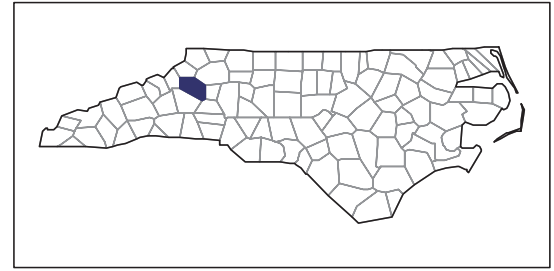


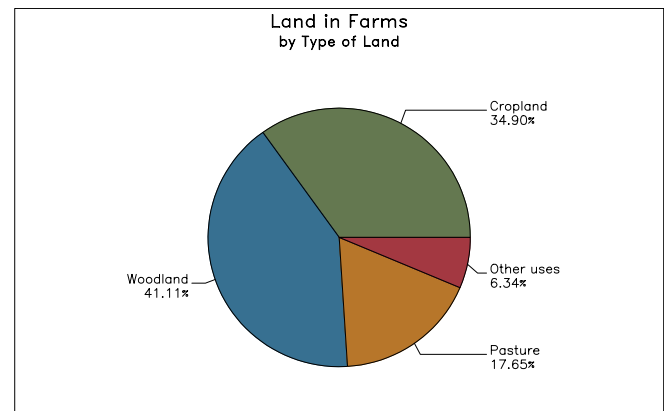
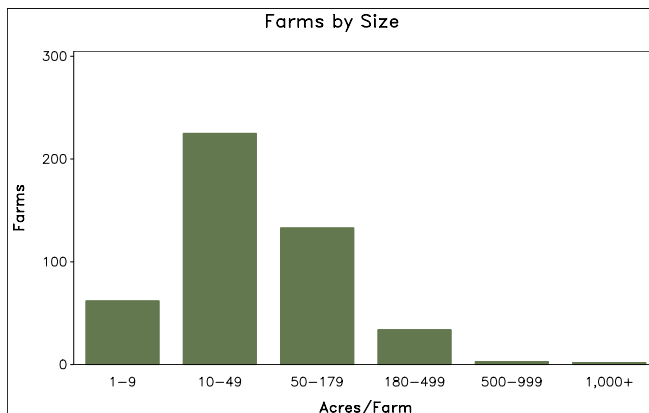
2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile



Caldwell County North Carolina

	2007	2002	% change
Number of Farms	459	411	+ 12
Land in Farms	32,593 acres	34,918 acres	- 7
Average Size of Farm	71 acres	85 acres	- 16
Market Value of Products Sold	\$20,751,000	\$15,844,000	+ 31
Crop Sales \$13,138,000 (63 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$7,613,000 (37 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$45,208	\$38,550	+ 17
Government Payments	\$51,000	\$70,000	- 27
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$2,528	\$3,027	- 16



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County Profile

Caldwell County – North Carolina

Ranked items among the 100 state counties and 3,079 U.S. counties, 2007

Item	Quantity	State Rank	Universe ¹	U.S. Rank	Universe ¹
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)					
Total value of agricultural products sold	20,751	73	100	2,230	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	13,138	58	100	1,711	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	7,613	70	99	2,214	3,069
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	248	80	99	2,296	2,933
Tobacco	(D)	74	77	(D)	437
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	53	-	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	165	89	99	1,598	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	73	98	(D)	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	12,378	13	95	248	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	16	53	(D)	1,710
Other crops and hay	145	79	100	2,768	3,054
Poultry and eggs	6,454	53	99	658	3,020
Cattle and calves	938	59	98	2,638	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	30	50	62	2,188	2,493
Hogs and pigs	5	76	89	2,461	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	91	24	98	1,182	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	84	50	96	1,847	3,024
Aquaculture	-	-	60	-	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	11	55	91	2,016	2,875
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	4,588	50	100	2,361	3,060
Nursery stock	2,352	2	87	31	2,130
Wheat for grain, all	546	71	84	1,816	2,481
Soybeans for beans	525	79	90	1,668	2,039
Corn for grain	462	77	99	2,068	2,634
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	147,111	52	75	524	2,476
Pullets for laying flock replacement	(D)	28	83	(D)	2,627
Layers	(D)	(D)	99	(D)	3,024
Cattle and calves	4,531	50	98	2,508	3,060
Horses and ponies	995	37	98	1,398	3,066

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	178	Farming	158
\$1,000 to \$2,499	79	Other	301
\$2,500 to \$4,999	59	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	47	Male	400
\$10,000 to \$19,999	33	Female	59
\$20,000 to \$24,999	9	Average age of principal operator (years)	56.4
\$25,000 to \$39,999	9	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	4	American Indian or Alaska Native	2
\$50,000 to \$99,999	8	Asian	2
\$100,000 to \$249,999	19	Black or African American	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	5	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	9	White	686
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	16,393	More than one race	3
Average per farm (\$)	35,714	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	9
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	5,037		
Average per farm (\$)	10,973		

See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes, explanations, definitions, and methodology.

(D) Cannot be disclosed. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown.

¹ Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item. ² Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.