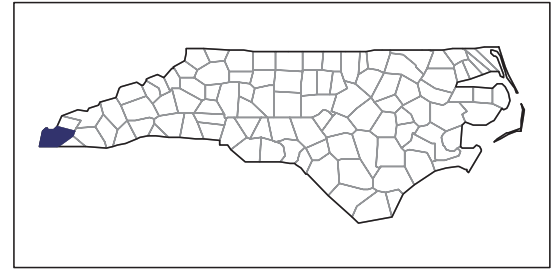


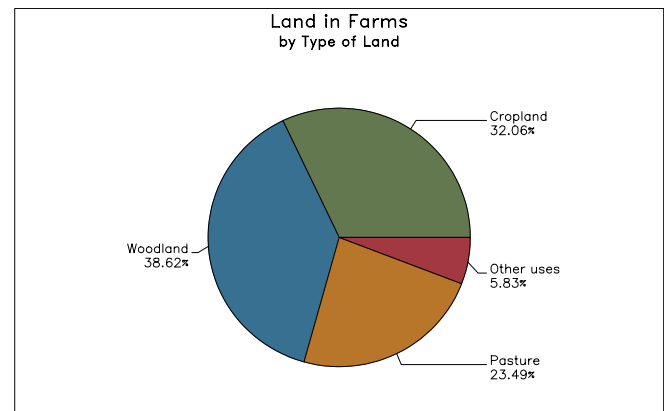
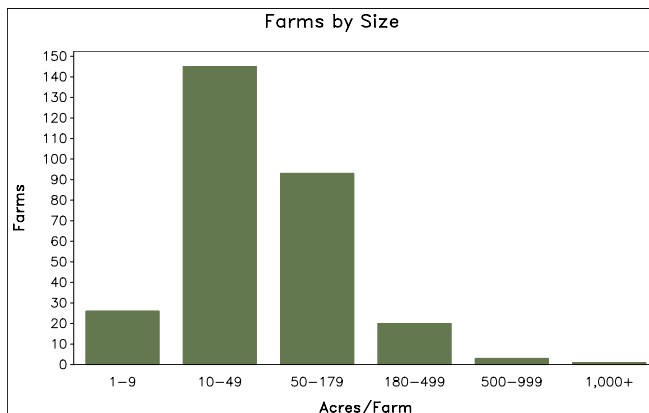
2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile



Cherokee County North Carolina

	2007	2002	% change
Number of Farms	288	262	+ 10
Land in Farms	20,423 acres	22,141 acres	- 8
Average Size of Farm	71 acres	85 acres	- 16
Market Value of Products Sold	(D)	\$11,085,000	
Crop Sales \$1,676,000			
Livestock Sales (D)			
Average Per Farm	(D)	\$42,311	
Government Payments	\$170,000	\$163,000	+ 4
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$5,674	\$3,188	+ 78



2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Cherokee 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	(D)	(D)	100	(D)	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	1,676	95	100	2,647	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	(D)	54	99	(D)	3,069
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	213	82	99	2,332	2,933
Tobacco	-	-	77	-	437
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	53	-	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	184	88	99	1,548	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	40	86	98	1,808	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	955	65	95	1,102	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	4	45	53	1,342	1,710
Other crops and hay	280	65	100	2,507	3,054
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	99	(D)	3,020
Cattle and calves	(D)	(D)	98	(D)	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	37	62	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	-	-	89	-	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	38	48	98	1,851	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	15	82	96	2,764	3,024
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	60	(D)	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	9	61	91	2,081	2,875
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	3,803	56	100	2,488	3,060
Corn for grain	411	80	99	2,092	2,634
Soybeans for beans	(D)	83	90	(D)	2,039
Vegetables harvested for sale	136	71	99	1,195	2,794
Corn for silage	(D)	(D)	79	(D)	2,263
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Layers	(D)	(D)	99	(D)	3,024
Pullets for laying flock replacement	(D)	9	83	(D)	2,627
Cattle and calves	3,897	54	98	2,567	3,060
Goats, all	763	47	99	1,004	3,023
Horses and ponies	543	54	98	2,158	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	93	Farming	138
\$1,000 to \$2,499	62	Other	150
\$2,500 to \$4,999	31	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	44	Male	260
\$10,000 to \$19,999	28	Female	28
\$20,000 to \$24,999	9	Average age of principal operator (years)	55.8
\$25,000 to \$39,999	4	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	4	American Indian or Alaska Native	17
\$50,000 to \$99,999	3	Asian	2
\$100,000 to \$249,999	5	Black or African American	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	3	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	2	White	381
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	16,838	More than one race	3
Average per farm (\$)	58,467	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	2,471		
Average per farm (\$)	8,581		

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.