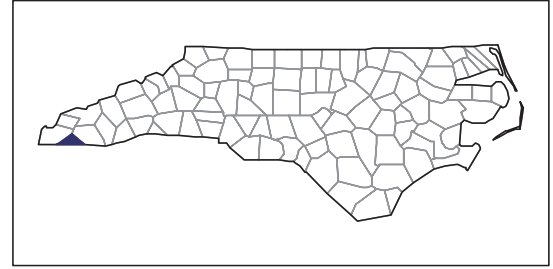


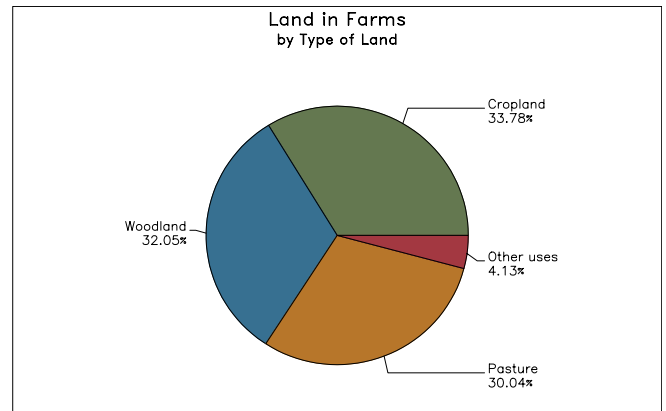
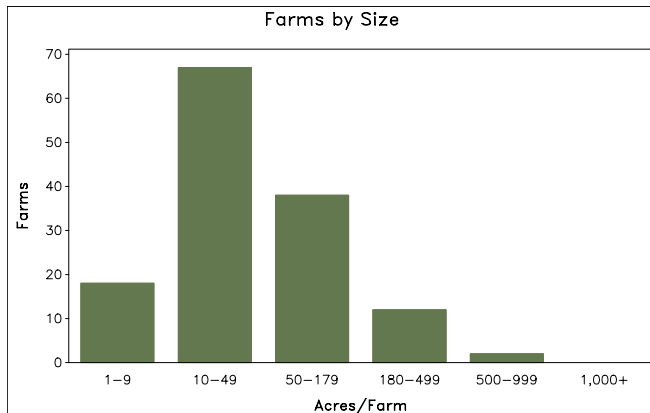
2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile



Clay County North Carolina

	2007	2002	% change
Number of Farms	137	168	- 18
Land in Farms	9,660 acres	13,434 acres	- 28
Average Size of Farm	71 acres	80 acres	- 11
Market Value of Products Sold	\$1,114,000	\$1,334,000	- 16
Crop Sales \$431,000 (39 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$683,000 (61 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$8,131	\$7,942	+ 2
Government Payments	\$71,000	\$61,000	+ 16
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$2,733	\$1,740	+ 57



2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Clay 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	1,114	100	100	3,006	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	431	99	100	2,945	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	683	92	99	2,943	3,069
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	(D)	87	99	(D)	2,933
Tobacco	(D)	76	77	(D)	437
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	53	-	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	139	91	99	1,672	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	98	(D)	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	95	95	2,684	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	53	-	1,710
Other crops and hay	132	83	100	2,793	3,054
Poultry and eggs	3	94	99	2,801	3,020
Cattle and calves	570	67	98	2,754	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	-	-	62	-	2,493
Hogs and pigs	-	-	89	-	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	7	90	98	2,739	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	(D)	96	(D)	3,024
Aquaculture	-	-	60	-	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	91	(D)	2,875
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	2,127	71	100	2,716	3,060
Corn for grain	210	83	99	2,214	2,634
Soybeans for beans	(D)	82	90	(D)	2,039
Rye for grain	(D)	41	53	(D)	977
Vegetables harvested for sale	8	99	99	2,398	2,794
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	2,278	67	98	2,751	3,060
Horses and ponies	240	80	98	2,794	3,066
Goats, all	137	85	99	2,459	3,023
Layers	124	92	99	2,791	3,024
Colonies of bees	54	74	94	1,570	2,640

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	47	Farming	54
\$1,000 to \$2,499	24	Other	83
\$2,500 to \$4,999	21		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	13	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	17	Male	125
\$20,000 to \$24,999	6	Female	12
\$25,000 to \$39,999	4		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	1	Average age of principal operator (years)	59.6
\$50,000 to \$99,999	3		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	1	All operators by race ² :	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	-	American Indian or Alaska Native	1
\$500,000 or more	-	Asian	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	1,297	Black or African American	1
Average per farm (\$)	9,466	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		White	202
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	36	More than one race	2
Average per farm (\$)	260	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	-

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.