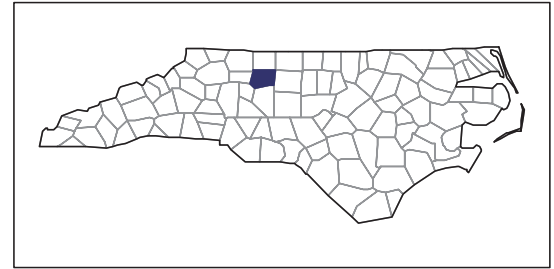


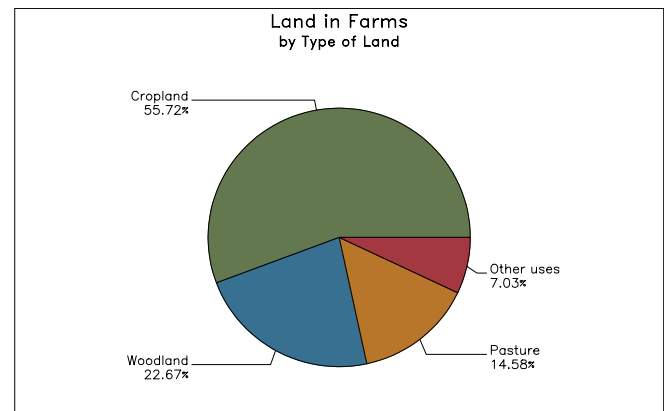
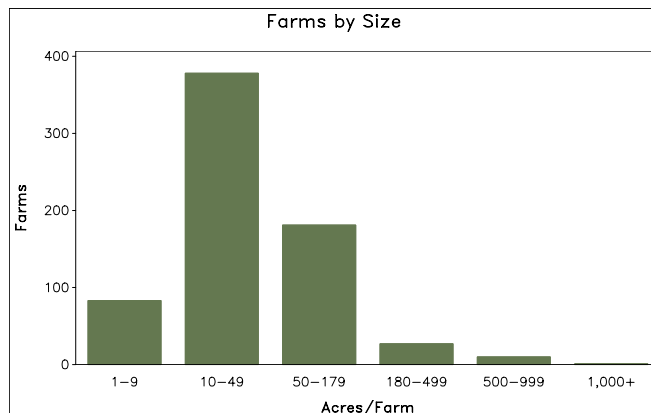
2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile



Forsyth County North Carolina

	2007	2002	% change
Number of Farms	680	783	- 13
Land in Farms	43,593 acres	51,598 acres	- 16
Average Size of Farm	64 acres	66 acres	- 3
Market Value of Products Sold	\$17,094,000	\$14,144,000	+ 21
Crop Sales \$14,333,000 (84 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$2,761,000 (16 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$25,138	\$18,064	+ 39
Government Payments	\$133,000	\$122,000	+ 9
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$1,440	\$1,406	+ 2



2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Forsyth 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	17,094	81	100	2,357	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	14,333	56	100	1,655	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	2,761	84	99	2,686	3,069
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	1,769	62	99	1,828	2,933
Tobacco	4,546	37	77	80	437
Cotton and cottonseed	(D)	46	53	(D)	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	765	53	99	900	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	98	(D)	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	6,449	23	95	393	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	8	36	53	1,167	1,710
Other crops and hay	515	46	100	2,136	3,054
Poultry and eggs	(D)	68	99	(D)	3,020
Cattle and calves	838	62	98	2,665	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	35	62	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	3	81	89	2,627	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	68	34	98	1,406	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	266	25	96	878	3,024
Aquaculture	33	35	60	844	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	35	23	91	1,522	2,875
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	7,255	37	100	2,005	3,060
Corn for grain	4,379	50	99	1,448	2,634
Soybeans for beans	3,942	63	90	1,236	2,039
Tobacco	1,802	32	77	60	437
Wheat for grain, all	443	74	84	1,874	2,481
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	(D)	58	75	615	2,476
Layers	(D)	(D)	99	(D)	3,024
Cattle and calves	4,005	53	98	2,560	3,060
Pullets for laying flock replacement	(D)	36	83	487	2,627
Goats, all	1,441	33	99	466	3,023

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	264	Farming	302
\$1,000 to \$2,499	113	Other	378
\$2,500 to \$4,999	85	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	74	Male	557
\$10,000 to \$19,999	71	Female	123
\$20,000 to \$24,999	12	Average age of principal operator (years)	59.4
\$25,000 to \$39,999	10	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	9	American Indian or Alaska Native	1
\$50,000 to \$99,999	12	Asian	13
\$100,000 to \$249,999	19	Black or African American	9
\$250,000 to \$499,999	2	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	9	White	958
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	16,458	More than one race	9
Average per farm (\$)	24,203	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	10
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	2,721		
Average per farm (\$)	4,001		

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.