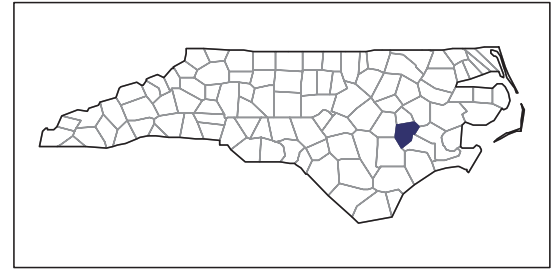


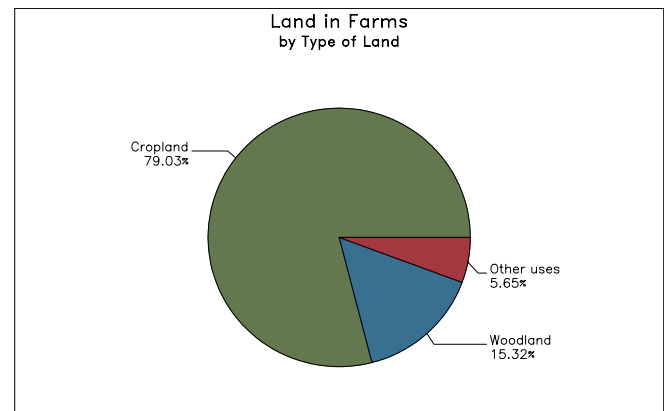
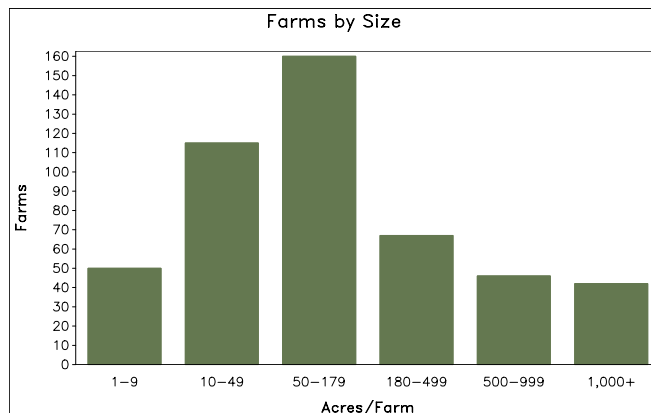
2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile



Lenoir County North Carolina

	2007	2002	% change
Number of Farms	480	428	+ 12
Land in Farms	137,550 acres	121,520 acres	+ 13
Average Size of Farm	287 acres	284 acres	+ 1
Market Value of Products Sold	\$236,295,000	\$141,375,000	+ 67
Crop Sales \$69,864,000 (30 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$166,432,000 (70 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$492,282	\$330,315	+ 49
Government Payments	\$7,394,000	\$2,229,000	+ 232
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$25,409	\$15,587	+ 63



2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Lenoir 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	236,295	8	100	245	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	69,864	8	100	610	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	166,432	9	99	168	3,069
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	20,152	13	99	985	2,933
Tobacco	25,957	7	77	8	437
Cotton and cottonseed	11,324	5	53	109	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	3,037	28	99	461	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	667	14	98	599	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	95	(D)	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	53	-	1,710
Other crops and hay	(D)	(D)	100	(D)	3,054
Poultry and eggs	48,274	22	99	214	3,020
Cattle and calves	661	65	98	2,723	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	-	-	62	-	2,493
Hogs and pigs	117,422	6	89	23	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	22	69	98	2,229	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	45	64	96	2,277	3,024
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	60	(D)	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	91	(D)	2,875
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Corn for grain	34,307	7	99	727	2,634
Soybeans for beans	32,592	12	90	669	2,039
Cotton, all	23,189	6	54	118	627
Wheat for grain, all	10,053	13	84	704	2,481
Tobacco	8,601	5	77	5	437
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Turkeys	646,751	6	75	45	2,371
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	627,510	38	75	365	2,476
Hogs and pigs	357,268	6	93	29	2,958
Layers	49,555	34	99	498	3,024
Pullets for laying flock replacement	(D)	26	83	(D)	2,627

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	111	Farming	293
\$1,000 to \$2,499	29	Other	187
\$2,500 to \$4,999	20	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	23	Male	444
\$10,000 to \$19,999	28	Female	36
\$20,000 to \$24,999	7	Average age of principal operator (years)	56.9
\$25,000 to \$39,999	24	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	16	American Indian or Alaska Native	5
\$50,000 to \$99,999	15	Asian	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	31	Black or African American	12
\$250,000 to \$499,999	53	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	123	White	625
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	204,367	More than one race	5
Average per farm (\$)	425,764	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	9
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	45,632		
Average per farm (\$)	95,066		

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.