

NUMBER OF FARMS AND LAND IN FARMS ¹

Year	Number of Farms	Land in Farms	Average Size	Sales Class Estimates					
				\$1,000 – \$9,999	\$10,000 – \$99,000	\$100,000 +	\$1,000 – \$9,999	\$10,000 – \$99,000	\$100,000 +
	Thousands	Thousand Acres	Acres	Number			Thousand Acres		
NORTH CAROLINA									
2008	52.5	8,600	164	32,700	11,300	8,500	2,000	1,650	4,950
2009	52.4	8,600	164	32,600	11,300	8,500	2,000	1,600	5,000
2010	51.4	8,600	167	31,900	11,300	8,200	2,000	1,600	5,000
2011	50.4	8,500	169	30,800	11,600	8,000	1,900	1,700	4,900
2012	50.0	8,500	170	29,200	12,900	7,900	1,700	1,800	5,000
UNITED STATES									
2008	2,200	919,910	418	1,222,100	604,500	373,500	106,700	225,310	587,900
2009	2,200	919,890	418	1,229,400	597,080	373,730	105,580	226,900	587,410
2010	2,192	918,840	419	1,227,200	592,420	372,380	104,380	225,130	589,330
2011	2,182	917,000	420	1,202,450	599,360	379,820	100,830	224,910	591,260
2012	2,170	914,000	421	1,172,200	602,580	395,220	96,890	221,820	595,290

¹ A farm is any establishment from which \$1,000 or more of agricultural products were sold or would normally be sold during the year.

2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

OPERATIONS BY TYPE

Family/Family Incorporated/Individual	90.8%
Partnership	8.0%
Incorporated, Non-Family	0.7%
Other	0.5%

OPERATIONS BY SIZE

Size of Operation	Farms Percent of Total	Land in Farms Percent of Total
1-49 Acres	48.7	6.7
50-99 Acres	20.6	9.0
100-179 Acres	13.1	10.7
180-499 Acres	11.0	19.4
500-999 Acres	3.5	15.0
1,000 + Acres	3.1	39.2

PRINCIPAL OPERATORS BY AGE GROUP

Age of Operator	Percent of Operations
Under 25	0.6
25 – 34	3.9
35 – 44	12.3
45 – 54	24.6
55 – 64	28.9
65 – 69	11.3
70 and Over	18.4
Average Age = 57.3	

FARMS BY VALUE OF SALES

Dollars	Number
Less than 49,999	42,869
50,000 – 99,999	1,718
100,000 – 249,999	1,854
250,000 or more	6,472



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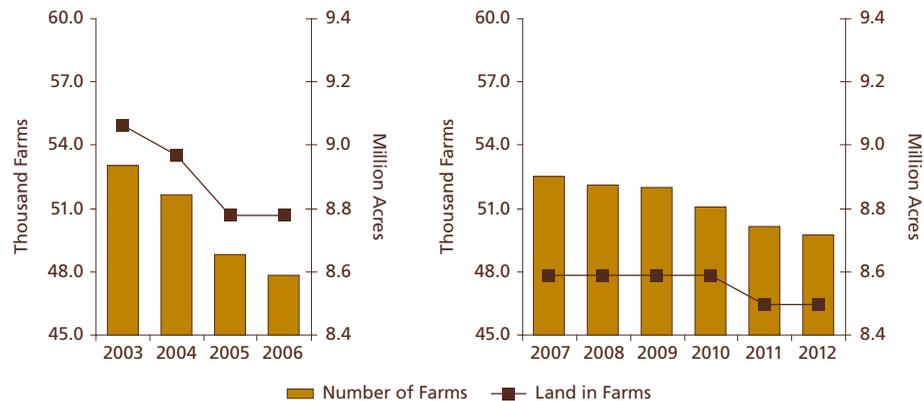
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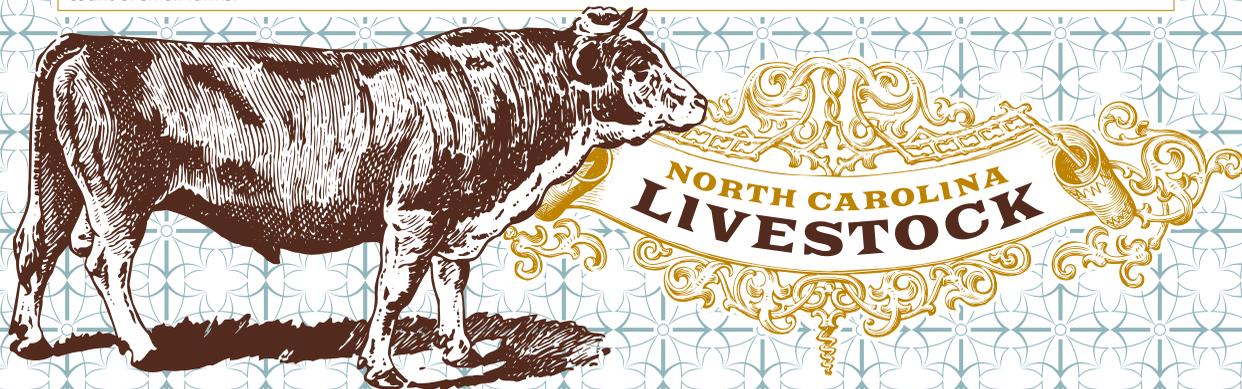
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NORTH CAROLINA NUMBER OF FARMS AND LAND IN FARMS ¹



¹ The 2007 Census of Agriculture established a new farm number base due to methodological changes that allowed a more accurate count of small farms.



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FARM INCOME

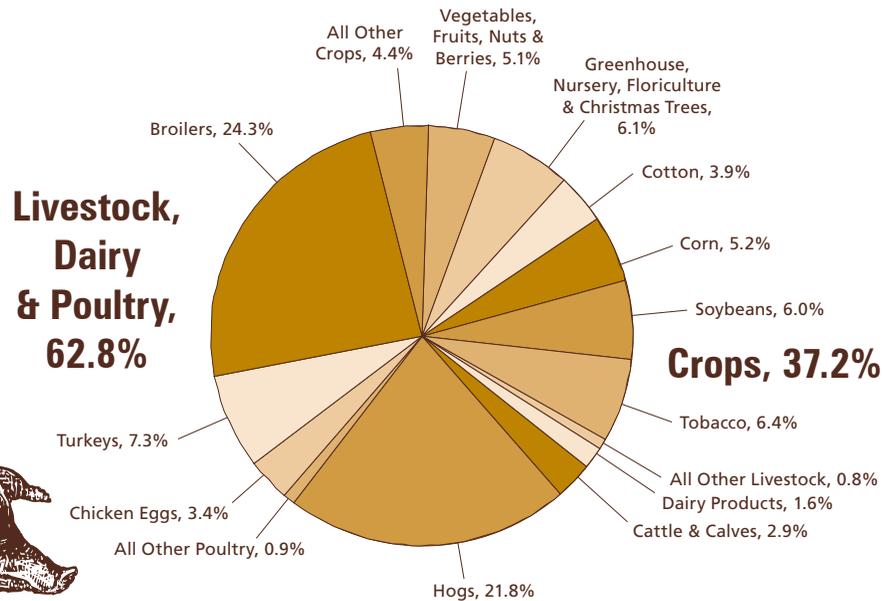
Cash Receipts from Farming by Commodity

NC Rank	Commodities	2012 <i>Thousand Dollars</i>	2012 % of Total Sales <i>Percent</i>
1	Broilers ¹	2,838,950	24.3%
2	Hogs	2,552,824	21.8%
3	Turkeys ¹	848,761	7.3%
4	Tobacco	754,091	6.4%
5	Greenhouse, Nursery, Floriculture & Christmas Trees	719,084	6.1%
6	Soybeans	705,834	6.0%
7	Corn	607,313	5.2%
8	Cotton	453,172	3.9%
9	Chicken Eggs ¹	392,458	3.4%
10	Cattle and Calves	334,132	2.9%
11	Wheat	282,706	2.4%
12	Sweet Potatoes	198,379	1.7%
13	Dairy products	191,407	1.6%
14	Peanuts	151,556	1.3%
15	Blueberries	71,000	0.6%
16	Hay	46,589	0.4%
17	Tomatoes, Fresh	37,019	0.3%
18	Potatoes	36,160	0.3%
19	Watermelons	34,860	0.3%
20	Cucumbers: All	29,513	0.3%

SOURCE: Economic Research Service, USDA. ¹ Value of production.

SOURCE OF FARM CASH RECEIPTS, 2012

\$11,706,602,000



NORTH CAROLINA'S RANK IN U.S. AGRICULTURE, 2012

Rank	Item	Production	NC % of US	Top 3 States		
				1	2	3
1	All Tobacco	381 (Mil Lbs)	50.0	NC	KY	VA
1	Flue-cured Tobacco	377 (Mil Lbs)	79.8	NC	VA	SC
1	Sweet Potatoes	12,400 (000 Cwt)	46.8	NC	CA	MS
2	All Poultry & Egg Cash Receipts	4,188 (Mil \$)	10.7	GA	NC	AR
	Annual Pig Crop Dec 09 - Nov 10	18 (Mil Hd)	15.3	IA	NC	MN
	Christmas Tree Cash Receipts	75.0 (Mil \$)	20.3	OR	NC	WA
	Hogs & Pigs (12-1-10)	9.0 (Mil Hd)	13.6	IA	NC	MN
	TROUT Sold (foodsize)	3.3 (Mil Lbs)	6.8	ID	NC	CA
	Turkeys	36 (Mil Hd)	14.2	MN	NC	AR
3	Cucumbers: Processing	35 (000 Tons)	7.0	MI	FL	NC
	Cucumbers: Fresh Market	1,102 (000 Cwt)	11.0	GA	FL	NC
4	Broilers	800 (Mil Hd)	9.5	GA	AL	AR
	Strawberries : Fresh Market	203 (000 Cwt)	0.7	CA	FL	OR
	Tomatoes: Fresh Market	1,073 (000 Cwt)	3.9	CA	FL	VA
	Upland Cotton ¹	1,225 (000 Bales)	7.4	TX	GA	AR
5	Bell Peppers	775 (000 Cwt)	4.2	CA	FL	GA
	Burley Tobacco	4.0 (Mil Lbs)	1.9	KY	TN	PA
	Catfish Sold (foodsize)	5.2 (Mil Lbs)	1.5	MS	AL	AR
	Greenhouse/Nursery Cash Receipts ²	719 (Mil \$)	4.6	CA	FL	TX
	Peanuts	435 (Mil Lbs)	6.4	GA	AL	FL
	Squash	680 (000 Cwt)	9.1	MI	FL	CA

¹ 480 Lb. bales. ² Includes floriculture and Christmas trees.

TOP TEN COUNTIES IN TOTAL FARM CASH RECEIPTS, 2012 ¹

County	Thousand Dollars	County	Thousand Dollars
Duplin	1,225,914	Bladen	383,580
Sampson	1,133,814	Wilkes	303,106
Union	464,077	Johnston	279,915
Wayne	436,603	Lenoir	243,871
Robeson	419,017	Greene	224,374

¹ Includes government payments.

COUNTY CASH RECEIPTS FROM FARM MARKETINGS, 2012

Includes Crops, Livestock & Government Payments

