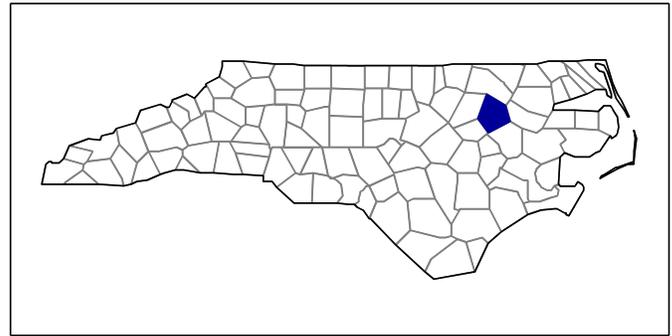




# 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile



## Edgecombe, North Carolina

### Number of farms

281 farms in 2002, 351 farms in 1997, down 20 percent.

### Land in farms

163,587 acres in 2002, 172,314 acres in 1997, down 5 percent.

### Average size of farm

582 acres in 2002, 491 acres in 1997, up 19 percent.

### Market Value of Production

\$97,885,000 in 2002, \$149,942,000 in 1997, down 35 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$40,614,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$57,271,000 of the total value in 2002.

### Market Value of Production, average per farm

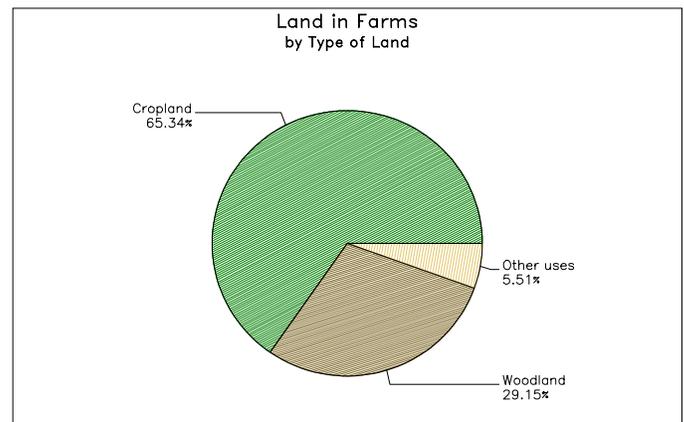
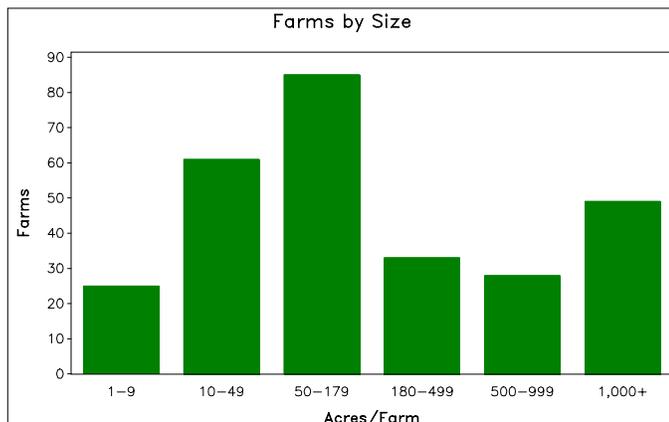
\$348,343 in 2002, \$427,186 in 1997, down 18 percent.

### Government Payments

\$2,526,000 in 2002, \$1,562,000 in 1997, up 62 percent.

### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$19,133 in 2002, \$9,136 in 1997, up 109 percent.



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**Ranked items among the 100 state counties and 3,078 U.S. counties, 2002**

Item	Quantity	State Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>	U.S. Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)</b>					
Total value of agricultural products sold	97,885	20	100	527	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	40,614	15	100	619	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	57,271	27	99	474	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	(D)	(D)	98	(D)	2,871
Tobacco	15,620	16	86	21	560
Cotton and cottonseed	6,643	12	55	143	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	4,853	13	100	315	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	23	88	99	1,901	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	96	(D)	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	68	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	5,005	3	100	249	3,046
Poultry and eggs	11,072	38	95	427	2,918
Cattle and calves	558	67	99	2,723	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	-	-	64	-	2,493
Hogs and pigs	45,414	13	90	54	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	5	74	98	2,557	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	(D)	91	(D)	3,014
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	51	(D)	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	-	-	85	-	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	953,300	32	68	297	2,599
Hogs and pigs	148,042	14	91	95	2,926
Layers 20 weeks old and older	54,333	29	95	497	2,983
Cattle and calves	2,853	68	99	2,722	3,059
Deer	225	1	8	257	1,080
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
All Cotton	46,001	4	55	77	663
Soybeans	17,911	25	85	878	2,076
Corn for grain	11,307	21	100	1,004	2,592
Peanuts	10,756	4	31	42	398
Tobacco	4,020	15	86	22	563

**Other County Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	41	Farming	205
\$1,000 to \$2,499	37	Other	76
\$2,500 to \$4,999	18	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	29	Male	266
\$10,000 to \$19,999	20	Female	15
\$20,000 to \$24,999	-	Average age of principal operator (years)	53.2
\$25,000 to \$39,999	15	All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	8	White	347
\$50,000 to \$99,999	14	Black or African American	47
\$100,000 to \$249,999	28	American Indian or Alaska Native	5
\$250,000 to \$499,999	25	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	46	Asian	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	88,065	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	311,184	All operators <sup>2</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	3
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	15,112		
Average per farm (\$)	53,401		

(D) Cannot be disclosed. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown. See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

<sup>1</sup> Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item.

<sup>2</sup> Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.