

## 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

### Guilford, North Carolina

#### Number of farms

1,095 farms in 2002, 1,148 farms in 1997, down 5 percent.

#### Land in farms

111,382 acres in 2002, 120,980 acres in 1997, down 8 percent.

#### Average size of farm

102 acres in 2002, 105 acres in 1997, down 3 percent.

#### Market Value of Production

\$45,452,000 in 2002, \$49,386,000 in 1997, down 8 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$30,838,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$14,614,000 of the total value in 2002.

#### Market Value of Production, average per farm

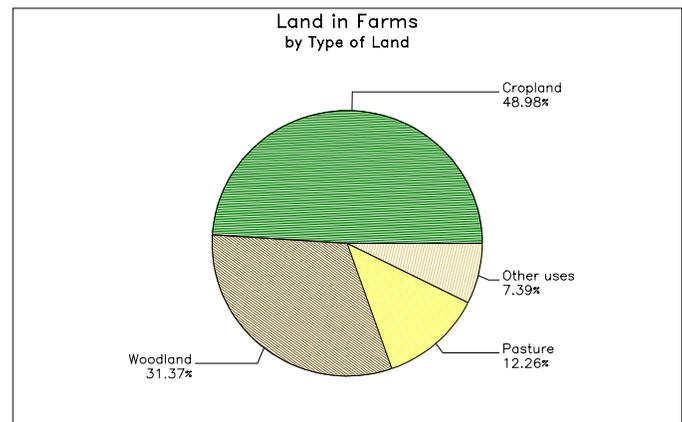
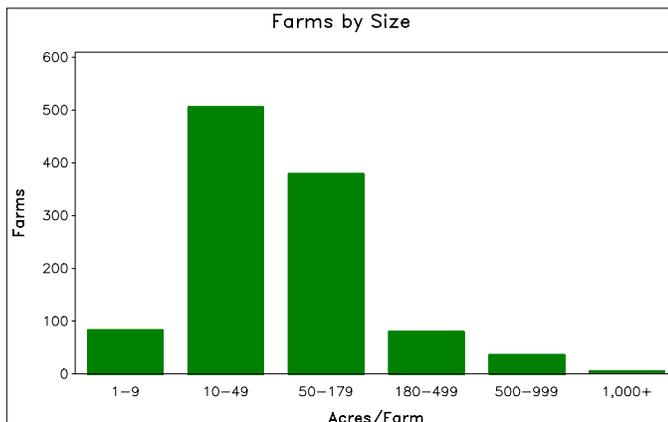
\$41,509 in 2002, \$43,019 in 1997, down 4 percent.

#### Government Payments

\$504,000 in 2002, \$221,000 in 1997, up 128 percent.

#### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$3,737 in 2002, \$1,322 in 1997, up 183 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                               | 45,452   | 43         | 100                   | 1,276     | 3,075                 |
| Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse                         | 30,838   | 20         | 100                   | 844       | 3,070                 |
| Value of livestock, poultry, and their products                         | 14,614   | 50         | 99                    | 1,569     | 3,070                 |
| <b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>                      |          |            |                       |           |                       |
| Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas                               | 1,738    | 46         | 98                    | 1,617     | 2,871                 |
| Tobacco                                                                 | 10,744   | 23         | 86                    | 38        | 560                   |
| Cotton and cottonseed                                                   | -        | -          | 55                    | -         | 656                   |
| Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes                        | 665      | 46         | 100                   | 898       | 2,747                 |
| Fruits, tree nuts, and berries                                          | 367      | 25         | 99                    | 641       | 2,638                 |
| Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod                              | 16,438   | 4          | 96                    | 174       | 2,708                 |
| Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops                      | 288      | 10         | 68                    | 184       | 1,774                 |
| Other crops and hay                                                     | 597      | 32         | 100                   | 1,741     | 3,046                 |
| Poultry and eggs                                                        | 3,211    | 60         | 95                    | 717       | 2,918                 |
| Cattle and calves                                                       | 2,866    | 25         | 99                    | 1,936     | 3,053                 |
| Milk and other dairy products from cows                                 | 5,430    | 7          | 64                    | 594       | 2,493                 |
| Hogs and pigs                                                           | 1,885    | 42         | 90                    | 730       | 2,919                 |
| Sheep, goats, and their products                                        | 35       | 26         | 98                    | 1,513     | 2,997                 |
| Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys                              | 1,168    | 1          | 91                    | 105       | 3,014                 |
| Aquaculture                                                             | 2        | 48         | 51                    | 1,205     | 1,520                 |
| Other animals and other animal products                                 | 17       | 27         | 85                    | 1,593     | 2,727                 |
| <b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>                           |          |            |                       |           |                       |
| Layers 20 weeks old and older                                           | 116,681  | 19         | 95                    | 371       | 2,983                 |
| Broilers and other meat-type chickens                                   | (D)      | 58         | 68                    | (D)       | 2,599                 |
| Cattle and calves                                                       | 14,916   | 21         | 99                    | 1,743     | 3,059                 |
| Hogs and pigs                                                           | 8,985    | 44         | 91                    | 742       | 2,926                 |
| Horses and ponies                                                       | 2,061    | 2          | 99                    | 456       | 3,065                 |
| <b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>                                           |          |            |                       |           |                       |
| Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop | 15,715   | 11         | 100                   | 1,331     | 3,059                 |
| All Wheat for grain                                                     | 6,138    | 21         | 83                    | 835       | 2,517                 |
| Soybeans                                                                | 5,120    | 59         | 85                    | 1,194     | 2,076                 |
| Corn for silage                                                         | 3,240    | 5          | 65                    | 533       | 2,307                 |
| Corn for grain                                                          | 2,602    | 47         | 100                   | 1,488     | 2,592                 |

**Other County Highlights**

| Economic Characteristics                    | Quantity | Operator Characteristics                                          | Quantity |
|---------------------------------------------|----------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Farms by value of sales                     |          | Principal operators by primary occupation:                        |          |
| Less than \$1,000                           | 320      | Farming                                                           | 599      |
| \$1,000 to \$2,499                          | 198      | Other                                                             | 496      |
| \$2,500 to \$4,999                          | 142      |                                                                   |          |
| \$5,000 to \$9,999                          | 149      | Principal operators by sex:                                       |          |
| \$10,000 to \$19,999                        | 96       | Male                                                              | 963      |
| \$20,000 to \$24,999                        | 20       | Female                                                            | 132      |
| \$25,000 to \$39,999                        | 45       |                                                                   |          |
| \$40,000 to \$49,999                        | 6        | Average age of principal operator (years)                         | 58.6     |
| \$50,000 to \$99,999                        | 32       |                                                                   |          |
| \$100,000 to \$249,999                      | 43       | All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:                               |          |
| \$250,000 to \$499,999                      | 21       | White                                                             | 1,488    |
| \$500,000 or more                           | 23       | Black or African American                                         | 32       |
| Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)    | 35,724   | American Indian or Alaska Native                                  | 2        |
| Average per farm (\$)                       | 32,925   | Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander                         | -        |
|                                             |          | Asian                                                             | 2        |
| Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000) | 9,394    | More than one race                                                | 5        |
| Average per farm (\$)                       | 8,658    | All operators <sup>2</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin | 2        |

(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.