

2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

Wilson, North Carolina

Number of farms

315 farms in 2002, 433 farms in 1997, down 27 percent.

Land in farms

114,564 acres in 2002, 129,551 acres in 1997, down 12 percent.

Average size of farm

364 acres in 2002, 299 acres in 1997, up 22 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$78,967,000 in 2002, \$120,242,000 in 1997, down 34 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$60,411,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$18,557,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

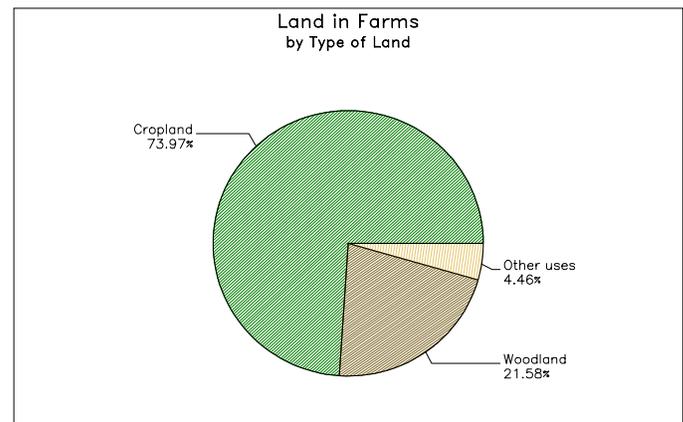
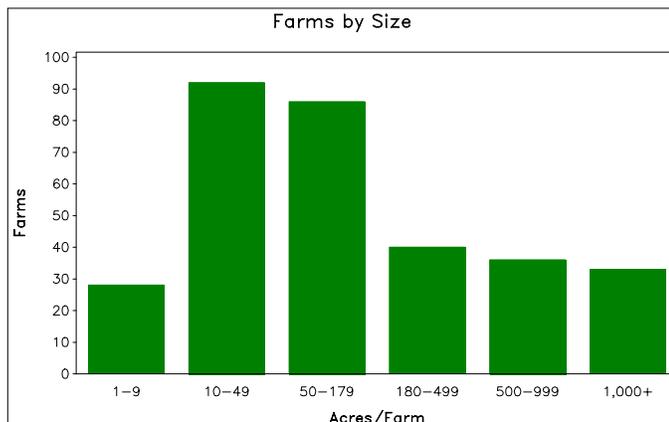
\$250,690 in 2002, \$277,696 in 1997, down 10 percent.

Government Payments

\$1,303,000 in 2002, \$1,258,000 in 1997, up 4 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$11,040 in 2002, \$5,544 in 1997, up 99 percent.



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

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	78,967	27	100	709	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	60,411	4	100	365	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	18,557	41	99	1,364	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	4,643	23	98	1,265	2,871
Tobacco	(D)	(D)	86	(D)	560
Cotton and cottonseed	5,053	17	55	174	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	100	(D)	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	161	40	99	1,014	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	113	81	100	2,747	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	95	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	239	81	99	2,885	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	-	-	64	-	2,493
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	90	(D)	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	7	68	98	2,451	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	24	80	91	2,712	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	51	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	85	(D)	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Hogs and pigs	36,393	32	91	357	2,926
Layers 20 weeks old and older	(D)	33	95	(D)	2,983
Cattle and calves	1,867	75	99	2,815	3,059
All Goats	439	49	99	1,110	2,971
Horses and ponies	293	65	99	2,632	3,065
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
All Cotton	29,909	11	55	120	663
Soybeans	29,826	16	85	726	2,076
Tobacco	6,281	5	86	6	563
Corn for grain	5,229	34	100	1,261	2,592
All Wheat for grain	5,176	24	83	906	2,517

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	77	Farming	216
\$1,000 to \$2,499	40	Other	99
\$2,500 to \$4,999	18		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	20	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	32	Male	298
\$20,000 to \$24,999	6	Female	17
\$25,000 to \$39,999	9		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	4	Average age of principal operator (years)	55.4
\$50,000 to \$99,999	17		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	30	All operators ² by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	30	White	416
\$500,000 or more	32	Black or African American	14
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	55,897	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
Average per farm (\$)	178,586	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	28,542	Asian	-
Average per farm (\$)	91,188	More than one race	1
		All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	-

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

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.