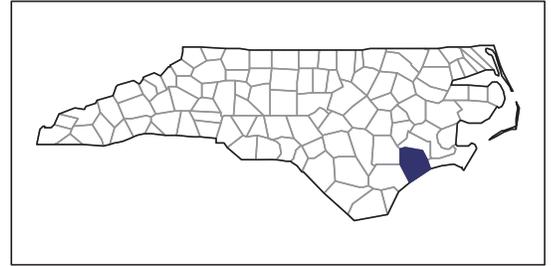


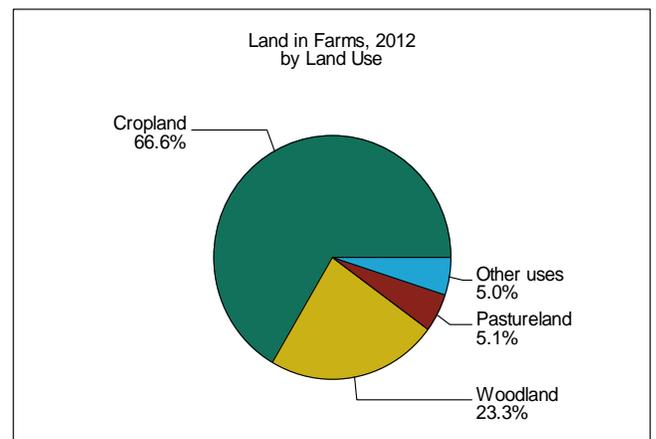
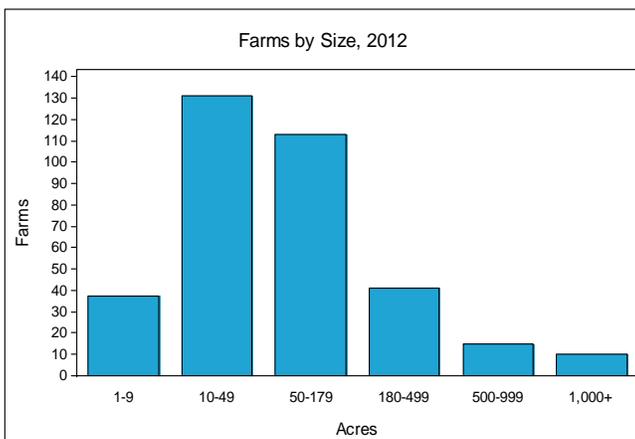
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



Onslow County North Carolina

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	347	401	- 13
Land in Farms	57,643 acres	55,211 acres	+ 4
Average Size of Farm	166 acres	138 acres	+ 20
Market Value of Products Sold	\$187,702,000	\$159,055,000	+ 18
Crop Sales \$29,278,000 (16 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$158,424,000 (84 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$540,927	\$396,645	+ 36
Government Payments	\$1,001,000	\$1,271,000	- 21
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$7,525	\$9,147	- 18





Onslow County – North Carolina

Ranked items among the 100 state counties and 3,079 U.S. counties, 2012

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	187,702	18	100	591	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	29,278	48	100	1,494	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	158,424	13	100	243	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	14,802	43	100	1,352	2,926
Tobacco	1,961	45	74	139	436
Cotton and cottonseed	4,062	31	58	291	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	970	49	99	844	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	179	53	98	1,134	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	4,702	29	97	454	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	33	19	50	593	1,530
Other crops and hay	2,569	21	97	1,116	3,049
Poultry and eggs	78,357	19	99	158	3,013
Cattle and calves	479	66	99	2,795	3,056
Milk from cows	-	-	52	-	2,038
Hogs and pigs	79,332	10	91	69	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	38	51	98	2,102	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	52	62	93	2,247	3,011
Aquaculture	87	29	58	678	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	78	18	95	1,228	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Soybeans for beans	12,280	46	92	1,058	2,162
Wheat for grain, all	7,209	37	91	819	2,537
Winter wheat for grain	7,209	37	91	736	2,480
Corn for grain	6,918	36	100	1,320	2,638
Cotton, all	6,895	26	58	285	635
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	1,036,112	35	93	304	2,723
Turkeys	974,787	5	80	29	2,416
Hogs and pigs	321,871	7	94	39	2,889
Cattle and calves	1,886	67	100	2,747	3,063
Horses and ponies	633	44	100	1,781	3,072

Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	110	Farming	188
\$1,000 to \$2,499	31	Other	159
\$2,500 to \$4,999	25	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	20	Male	294
\$10,000 to \$19,999	21	Female	53
\$20,000 to \$24,999	8	Average age of principal operator (years)	58.2
\$25,000 to \$39,999	11	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	6	American Indian or Alaska Native	14
\$50,000 to \$99,999	9	Asian	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	9	Black or African American	14
\$250,000 to \$499,999	15	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	82	White	444
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	122,315	More than one race	3
Average per farm (\$)	352,492	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	20
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	68,899		
Average per farm (\$)	198,557		

See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes, explanations, definitions, and methodology.

- Represents zero.

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.