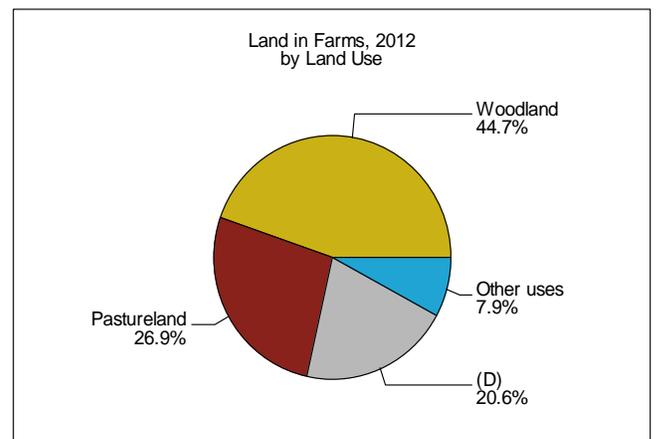
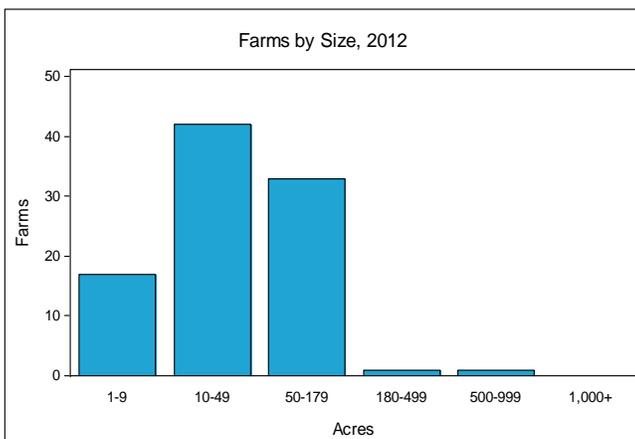


Swain County North Carolina

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	94	85	+ 11
Land in Farms	(D)	5,587 acres	
Average Size of Farm	(D)	66 acres	
Market Value of Products Sold	\$677,000	\$1,403,000	- 52
Crop Sales \$327,000 (48 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$350,000 (52 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$7,206	\$16,503	- 56
Government Payments	\$17,000	\$12,000	+ 42
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$1,713	\$947	+ 81





Swain 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	677	100	100	3,029	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	327	100	100	3,005	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	350	95	100	2,986	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	18	99	100	2,804	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	74	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	58	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	85	97	99	1,913	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	93	98	(D)	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	80	93	97	2,107	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	29	50	(D)	1,530
Other crops and hay	127	88	97	2,877	3,049
Poultry and eggs	6	93	99	2,576	3,013
Cattle and calves	93	90	99	2,973	3,056
Milk from cows	-	-	52	-	2,038
Hogs and pigs	(D)	90	91	(D)	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	19	74	98	2,465	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	4	93	93	2,950	3,011
Aquaculture	227	17	58	485	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	91	95	(D)	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	792	83	98	2,892	3,057
Corn for grain	56	95	100	2,421	2,638
Vegetables harvested, all	28	96	99	1,902	2,801
Cut Christmas trees	13	31	51	1,044	1,557
Nursery stock crops	11	72	91	1,238	2,077
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	447	90	100	2,959	3,063
Layers	429	83	100	2,459	3,040
Goats, all	319	64	99	1,752	2,996
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	284	67	93	1,536	2,723
Hogs and pigs	136	71	94	1,859	2,889

Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	20	Farming	25
\$1,000 to \$2,499	25	Other	69
\$2,500 to \$4,999	13	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	21	Male	85
\$10,000 to \$19,999	9	Female	9
\$20,000 to \$24,999	2	Average age of principal operator (years)	55.5
\$25,000 to \$39,999	3	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	-	American Indian or Alaska Native	11
\$50,000 to \$99,999	-	Asian	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	1	Black or African American	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	-	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	-	White	129
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	1,187	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	12,624	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	2
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	-422		
Average per farm (\$)	-4,486		

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

- Represents zero. (D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

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.