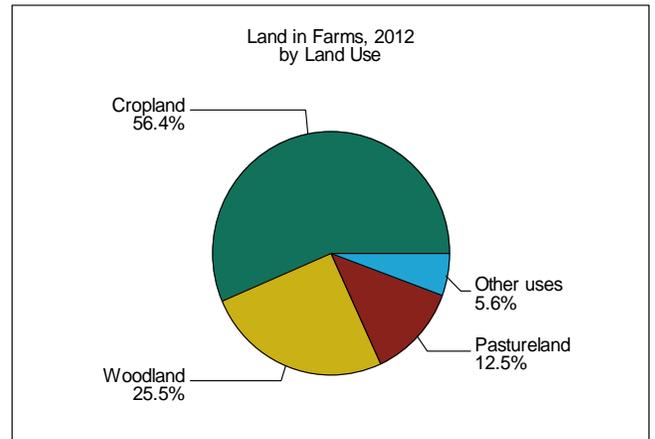
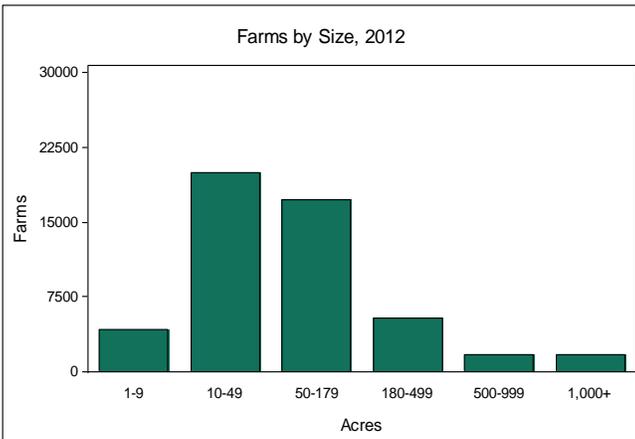
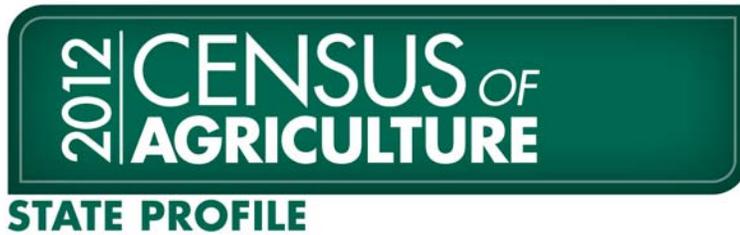


### North Carolina

	2012	2007	% change
<b>Number of Farms</b>	50,218	52,913	- 5
<b>Land in Farms</b>	8,414,756 acres	8,474,671 acres	- 1
<b>Average Size of Farm</b>	168 acres	160 acres	+ 5
<b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>	\$12,588,142,000	\$10,313,628,000	+ 22
Crop Sales \$4,302,877,000 (34 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$8,285,265,000 (66 percent)			
<b>Average Per Farm</b>	\$250,670	\$194,917	+ 29
<b>Government Payments</b>	\$120,129,000	\$147,334,000	- 18
<b>Average Per Farm Receiving Payments</b>	\$8,332	\$10,633	- 22





## North Carolina

### Ranked items within U.S., 2012

Item	Quantity	U.S. Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)</b>			
Total value of agricultural products sold	12,588,142	8	50
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	4,302,877	18	50
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	8,285,265	6	50
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>			
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	1,774,127	18	50
Tobacco	732,772	1	19
Cotton and cottonseed	403,366	5	17
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	434,974	10	50
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	85,150	17	50
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	580,230	7	50
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	67,097	2	49
Other crops and hay	225,162	26	50
Poultry and eggs	4,837,026	1	50
Cattle and calves	332,733	34	50
Milk from cows	179,265	29	50
Hogs and pigs	2,873,988	2	50
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	7,251	31	50
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	23,548	17	50
Aquaculture	23,365	16	50
Other animals and other animal products	8,089	33	50
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>			
Soybeans for beans	1,564,806	15	45
Corn for grain	803,020	18	49
Wheat for grain, all	753,713	13	49
Winter wheat for grain	753,489	10	48
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	643,186	28	50
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>			
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	148,251,469	4	50
Turkeys	17,191,277	2	50
Layers	13,091,384	8	50
Hogs and pigs	8,901,434	2	50
Pullets for laying flock replacement	6,239,251	8	50

### Other State Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	13,837	Farming	24,574
\$1,000 to \$2,499	5,457	Other	25,644
\$2,500 to \$4,999	5,891		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	6,307	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	4,424	Male	43,765
\$20,000 to \$24,999	1,155	Female	6,453
\$25,000 to \$39,999	2,087		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	783	Average age of principal operator (years)	58.9
\$50,000 to \$99,999	1,946		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	1,836	All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	1,420	American Indian or Alaska Native	840
\$500,000 or more	5,075	Asian	325
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	10,061,152	Black or African American	2,141
Average per farm (\$)	200,350	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	2
		White	69,328
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	2,864,522	More than one race	269
Average per farm (\$)	57,042	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup>	795

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

<sup>1</sup> Universe is number of states in U.S. with item. <sup>2</sup> Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.