



Caldwell County North Carolina

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2022 and change since 2017

	2022	% change since 2017
Number of farms	430	+5
Land in farms (acres)	35,964	-5
Average size of farm (acres)	84	-10
Total	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	56,705,000	+18
Government payments	33,000	-79
Farm-related income	1,049,000	+46
Total farm production expenses	39,556,000	+37
Net cash farm income	18,231,000	-9
Per farm average	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	131,873	+13
Government payments ^a	2,506	-62
Farm-related income ^a	14,779	+118
Total farm production expenses	91,990	+31
Net cash farm income	42,399	-13

(Z) Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	39
Livestock, poultry, and products	61

Land in Farms by Use (acres)

Cropland	14,213
Pastureland	8,056
Woodland	11,006
Other	2,689

Acres irrigated: 1,094

3% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	8
Reduced till	2
Intensive till	9
Cover crop	4

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^b
Less than \$2,500	239	56
\$2,500 to \$4,999	55	13
\$5,000 to \$9,999	37	9
\$10,000 to \$24,999	36	8
\$25,000 to \$49,999	21	5
\$50,000 to \$99,999	7	2
\$100,000 or more	35	8

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^b
1 to 9 acres	63	15
10 to 49 acres	217	50
50 to 179 acres	96	22
180 to 499 acres	44	10
500 to 999 acres	6	1
1,000+ acres	4	1

Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold

	Sales (\$1,000)	Rank in State ^c	Counties Producing Item	Rank in U.S. ^c	Counties Producing Item
Total	56,705	63	100	1,862	3,078
Crops	21,865	61	100	1,781	3,074
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	2,641	74	99	1,973	2,917
Tobacco	(D)	53	56	211	267
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	52	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	100	1,583	2,831
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	207	68	95	1,272	2,711
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	17,633	9	97	188	2,660
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	-	-	36	-	1,274
Other crops and hay	1,227	50	97	1,877	3,035
Livestock, poultry, and products	34,840	52	100	1,372	3,076
Poultry and eggs	32,799	48	100	420	3,027
Cattle and calves	1,312	51	99	2,298	3,047
Milk from cows	-	-	48	-	1,770
Hogs and pigs	71	56	95	984	2,814
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	56	37	95	1,772	2,967
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	(D)	58	87	(D)	2,907
Aquaculture	(D)	21	53	(D)	1,190
Other animals and animal products	397	3	96	477	2,909

Producers ^d	736	Percent of farms that:	Top Crops in Acres ^e	
Sex		Have internet access	79	
Male	483			
Female	253			
Age		Farm organically	-	
<35	46			
35 – 64	453			
65 and older	237			
Race		Sell directly to consumers	12	
American Indian/Alaska Native	3			
Asian	1			
Black or African American	-			
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-	Hire farm labor	13	
White	720			
More than one race	12			
Other characteristics		Are family farms	99	
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	3			
With military service	93			
New and beginning farmers	243			
			Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2022)	
			Broilers and other meat-type chickens	915,070
			Cattle and calves	4,929
			Goats	263
			Hogs and pigs	168
			Horses and ponies	293
			Layers	(D)
			Pullets	356
			Sheep and lambs	121
			Turkeys	28

^a Average per farm receiving. ^b May not add to 100% due to rounding. ^c Among counties whose rank can be displayed. ^d Data collected for a maximum of four producers per farm. ^e Crop commodity names may be shortened; see full names at www.nass.usda.gov/go/cropnames.pdf. ^f Position below the line does not indicate rank. (D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations. (NA) Not available. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown. (-) Represents zero.