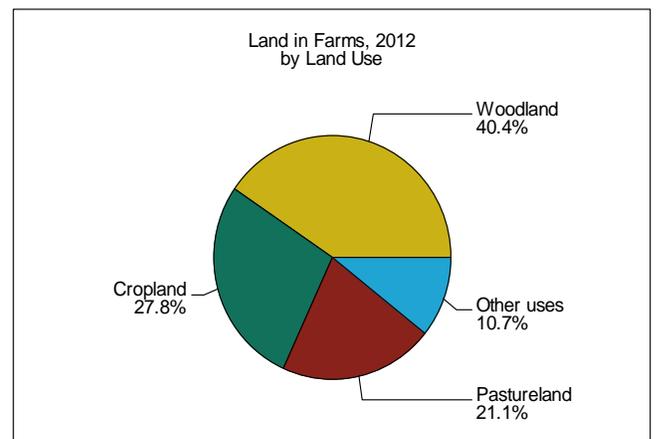
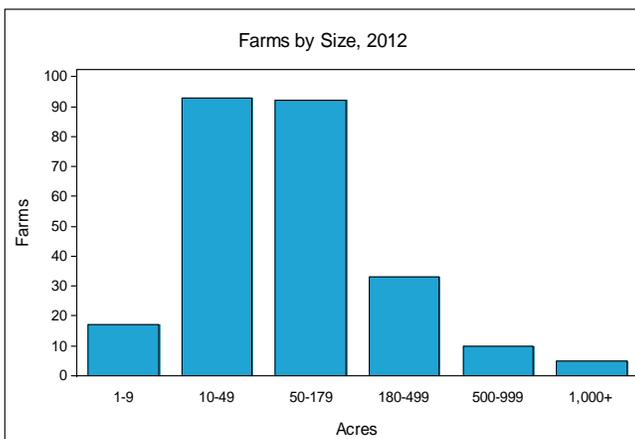


Montgomery County North Carolina

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	250	289	- 13
Land in Farms	35,047 acres	42,523 acres	- 18
Average Size of Farm	140 acres	147 acres	- 5
Market Value of Products Sold	\$122,279,000	\$94,402,000	+ 30
Crop Sales \$9,274,000 (8 percent) Livestock Sales \$113,005,000 (92 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$489,116	\$326,651	+ 50
Government Payments	\$162,000	\$142,000	+ 14
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$6,755	\$3,727	+ 81





Montgomery 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	122,279	36	100	976	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	9,274	82	100	2,137	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	113,005	24	100	390	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	1,723	76	100	2,096	2,926
Tobacco	(D)	42	74	130	436
Cotton and cottonseed	(D)	54	58	(D)	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	747	58	99	946	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	656	17	98	611	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	3,424	41	97	560	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	50	-	1,530
Other crops and hay	227	85	97	2,741	3,049
Poultry and eggs	106,355	14	99	111	3,013
Cattle and calves	1,592	44	99	2,440	3,056
Milk from cows	-	-	52	-	2,038
Hogs and pigs	5,041	37	91	558	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	5	89	98	2,827	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	9	89	93	2,842	3,011
Aquaculture	-	-	58	-	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	3	83	95	2,587	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	3,218	57	98	2,482	3,057
Corn for grain	1,194	69	100	1,858	2,638
Wheat for grain, all	1,124	72	91	1,598	2,537
Winter wheat for grain	1,124	72	91	1,533	2,480
Soybeans for beans	1,026	74	92	1,681	2,162
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	4,796,692	13	93	98	2,723
Layers	(D)	30	100	(D)	3,040
Hogs and pigs	15,831	36	94	532	2,889
Roosters	(D)	29	69	(D)	2,120
Cattle and calves	5,234	47	100	2,369	3,063

Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	46	Farming	159
\$1,000 to \$2,499	21	Other	91
\$2,500 to \$4,999	24	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	38	Male	207
\$10,000 to \$19,999	28	Female	43
\$20,000 to \$24,999	1	Average age of principal operator (years)	57.4
\$25,000 to \$39,999	8	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	1	American Indian or Alaska Native	1
\$50,000 to \$99,999	6	Asian	13
\$100,000 to \$249,999	6	Black or African American	6
\$250,000 to \$499,999	6	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	65	White	351
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	99,391	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	397,564	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	9
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	23,721		
Average per farm (\$)	94,884		

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.