

Table 21. Colonies of Honey Bees - Inventory and Honey Sales: 2022 and 2017

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| Geographic area | Colonies inventory | | Honey collected ¹ | | Honey sales | |
|---------------------------|--------------------|--------|------------------------------|-----------|-------------|-----------------|
| | Farms | Number | Farms | Pounds | Farms | Value (\$1,000) |
| State Total | | | | | | |
| North Carolina 2022 | 2,938 | 37,396 | 1,813 | 1,026,513 | 1,309 | 5,359 |
| 2017 | 2,584 | 28,832 | 1,472 | 641,811 | 999 | 2,280 |
| Counties, 2022 | | | | | | |
| Alamance | 65 | 673 | 44 | 18,540 | 22 | 140 |
| Alexander | 38 | 202 | 18 | 8,014 | 15 | 56 |
| Alleghany | 26 | 157 | 17 | 4,674 | 4 | 12 |
| Anson | 26 | 255 | 23 | 5,520 | 13 | 47 |
| Ashe | 63 | 419 | 29 | 17,822 | 24 | 101 |
| Avery | 12 | 37 | 6 | 1,130 | 5 | 4 |
| Beaufort | 17 | 145 | 9 | 3,460 | 9 | 25 |
| Bertie | 6 | 38 | 4 | 1,400 | 4 | 9 |
| Bladen | 24 | 188 | 10 | 4,290 | 3 | 13 |
| Brunswick | 42 | 213 | 39 | 8,053 | 28 | 49 |
| Buncombe | 110 | 1,217 | 72 | 68,233 | 50 | 247 |
| Burke | 42 | 441 | 32 | 10,074 | 19 | 49 |
| Cabarrus | 55 | 387 | 31 | 6,865 | 19 | 50 |
| Caldwell | 54 | 1,091 | 37 | (D) | 31 | 366 |
| Camden | 7 | 11 | 1 | (D) | 1 | (D) |
| Carteret | 7 | 17 | 5 | 370 | 3 | 1 |
| Caswell | 34 | 287 | 13 | 3,966 | 9 | 11 |
| Catawba | 57 | 353 | 31 | 9,240 | 22 | 53 |
| Chatham | 70 | 524 | 47 | 9,355 | 31 | 73 |
| Cherokee | 31 | 200 | 18 | 4,450 | 10 | 20 |
| Chowan | 4 | 39 | 1 | (D) | 1 | (D) |
| Clay | 3 | 14 | 3 | (D) | 3 | 3 |
| Cleveland | 44 | 393 | 31 | 11,310 | 26 | 57 |
| Columbus | 18 | 181 | 15 | 5,635 | 10 | 35 |
| Craven | 22 | 427 | 21 | 4,641 | 18 | 34 |
| Cumberland | 29 | 214 | 17 | 4,004 | 15 | 30 |
| Currituck | 7 | 46 | 3 | (D) | 3 | (D) |
| Dare | 3 | 3 | - | - | - | - |
| Davidson | 42 | 261 | 16 | 4,358 | 16 | 31 |
| Davie | 40 | 321 | 23 | 14,852 | 17 | 94 |
| Duplin | 11 | 173 | 8 | 1,810 | 4 | 4 |
| Durham | 32 | 390 | 16 | 1,710 | 16 | 10 |
| Edgecombe | 9 | 505 | 10 | 10,568 | 10 | 49 |
| Forsyth | 77 | 1,335 | 53 | 50,477 | 40 | 348 |
| Franklin | 31 | 442 | 8 | (D) | 7 | (D) |
| Gaston | 36 | 386 | 19 | 5,610 | 17 | 34 |
| Gates | 6 | 75 | 6 | 1,320 | 2 | (D) |
| Graham | 3 | (D) | 2 | (D) | 2 | (D) |
| Granville | 27 | 116 | 17 | 2,391 | 11 | 22 |
| Greene | 2 | (D) | 1 | (D) | 1 | (D) |
| Guilford | 63 | 479 | 39 | 9,964 | 28 | 48 |
| Halifax | 2 | (D) | - | - | - | - |
| Harnett | 23 | 213 | 14 | 3,380 | 11 | 29 |
| Haywood | 37 | 233 | 23 | 4,933 | 13 | 33 |
| Henderson | 42 | 506 | 30 | 14,170 | 21 | 73 |
| Hertford | 3 | 318 | - | - | - | - |
| Hoke | 11 | 98 | 7 | 6,420 | 5 | (D) |
| Hyde | 3 | (D) | 1 | (D) | 1 | (D) |
| Iredell | 46 | 1,014 | 28 | 18,582 | 25 | 100 |
| Jackson | 15 | 189 | 12 | 6,091 | 9 | 35 |
| Johnston | 40 | 538 | 21 | 7,237 | 18 | 39 |
| Jones | 3 | 6 | - | - | - | - |
| Lee | 24 | 108 | 18 | 1,976 | 12 | 9 |
| Lenoir | 14 | 77 | 8 | 1,220 | 6 | 6 |
| Lincoln | 28 | 164 | 19 | 4,010 | 15 | 20 |
| McDowell | 43 | 536 | 34 | 22,300 | 28 | 160 |
| Macon | 22 | 395 | 17 | 9,760 | 6 | 32 |
| Madison | 62 | 377 | 32 | 12,186 | 25 | 53 |
| Martin | 7 | 32 | 1 | (D) | 1 | (D) |
| Mecklenburg | 31 | 333 | 28 | 10,665 | 26 | 75 |
| Mitchell | 32 | 210 | 20 | 3,088 | 8 | 18 |
| Montgomery | 13 | 95 | 7 | 1,638 | 4 | 4 |
| Moore | 61 | 417 | 22 | 10,616 | 17 | 74 |
| Nash | 23 | 105 | 16 | 3,940 | 11 | 18 |
| New Hanover | 20 | 128 | 20 | 4,864 | 15 | 41 |
| Northampton | 16 | 382 | 8 | 3,220 | 7 | 19 |
| Onslow | 38 | 859 | 28 | 21,752 | 25 | 116 |
| Orange | 68 | 2,079 | 48 | 42,564 | 32 | 345 |
| Pamlico | 10 | 172 | 10 | 3,305 | 4 | 25 |
| Pasquotank | 2 | (D) | 2 | (D) | 2 | (D) |
| Pender | 42 | 725 | 37 | 33,300 | 28 | 196 |
| Perquimans | 2 | (D) | 2 | (D) | 2 | (D) |
| Person | 26 | 137 | 12 | 1,524 | 10 | 8 |
| Pitt | 25 | 517 | 17 | 12,741 | 17 | 40 |
| Polk | 14 | 135 | 6 | 6,068 | 4 | 21 |
| Randolph | 62 | 358 | 26 | 9,151 | 16 | 55 |
| Richmond | 18 | 258 | 9 | 9,540 | 4 | 16 |
| Robeson | 25 | 191 | 18 | 12,780 | 14 | 60 |
| Rockingham | 49 | 492 | 23 | 13,665 | 15 | 104 |
| Rowan | 69 | 521 | 51 | 12,007 | 33 | 56 |
| Rutherford | 55 | 483 | 30 | 12,077 | 18 | 47 |
| Sampson | 21 | (D) | 11 | (D) | 9 | (D) |
| Scotland | 6 | (D) | 1 | (D) | 1 | (D) |

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| | Farms | Number | Farms | Pounds | Farms | Value (\$1,000) |
| Counties, 2022 - Con. | | | | | | |
| Stanly | 46 | 241 | 27 | 4,025 | 13 | 7 |
| Stokes | 42 | 471 | 28 | 9,608 | 18 | 57 |
| Surry | 51 | 540 | 27 | 17,346 | 12 | 108 |
| Swain | 8 | (D) | 3 | (D) | 3 | (D) |
| Transylvania | 11 | 107 | 9 | 5,224 | 5 | 19 |
| Tyrrell | 5 | 12 | 5 | 340 | 5 | 2 |
| Union | 64 | 929 | 35 | 35,240 | 31 | 259 |
| Vance | 9 | 28 | - | - | - | - |
| Wake | 76 | 831 | 52 | 19,799 | 46 | 151 |
| Warren | 2 | (D) | 1 | (D) | - | - |
| Washington | 6 | 90 | 6 | 600 | 6 | 1 |
| Watauga | 26 | 133 | 18 | 4,336 | 16 | 30 |
| Wayne | 25 | 425 | 21 | 5,600 | 21 | 42 |
| Wilkes | 58 | 1,015 | 40 | 8,338 | 28 | 40 |
| Wilson | 11 | 232 | 7 | 6,270 | 4 | 20 |
| Yadkin | 30 | 467 | 10 | 5,270 | 5 | 26 |
| Yancey | 20 | 332 | 12 | 4,980 | 9 | 21 |

¹ Data are for farms with production, not necessarily sold.