

AVERAGE TAX VALUE OF LAND PER ACRE BY COUNTIES IN NORTH CAROLINA 1924

The following table, based on the report of the State Commission of Revenue, shows the counties are ranked according to the value of land as listed on the tax books for 1924. The table does not include manufacturing properties, unimproved lands, minerals, power properties, and all improved lands, forests, and waste lands. The average value of land as listed on the tax books for 1924 is \$6.02 per acre. The average value of land as listed on the tax books for 1925 is \$6.02 per acre. The average value of land as listed on the tax books for 1926 is \$6.02 per acre.

15 Cleveland	53.13
16 Stanley	49.60
17 Vance	47.81
18 Iredell	46.55
19 Pasquotank	46.33
20 Wake	45.22
Johnston	43.54
22 Henderson	42.29
23 Hoke	42.10
24 Scotland	40.85
25 Chowan	40.56
26 Edgecombe	40.46
27 Person	40.20
28 Nash	40.11
29 Alamance	40.00
30 Cumberland	38.92
31 Cabarrus	38.15
32 Davie	38.02
33 Rockingham	37.60
34 Richmond	36.63
35 Yancey	36.61
36 Duplin	36.24
37 Alleghany	35.88
38 Robeson	34.73
39 Harnett	33.98
40 Anson	33.63
41 Lincoln	32.49
42 Caldwell	32.15
43 Perquimans	32.14
44 Surry	31.22
45 Union	31.13
46 Beaufort	31.07
47 Currituck	30.77
48 Rutherford	30.74
49 Martin	30.34
50 Yadkin	30.29
51 Mitchell	29.34
52 Ashe	28.87
53 Stokes	28.81
54 Alexander	28.78
55 Polk	28.47
56 Halifax	28.44
57 Franklin	28.19
58 Warren	28.15
59 Hertford	28.00
60 Davidson	27.93
61 Watauga	27.38
62 Moore	26.64
63 Sampson	26.38
64 Avery	26.16
65 Lee	25.71
66 Burke	25.44
67 Orange	24.62
68 Pamlico	24.55
69 Craven	24.22
70 Granville	24.21
71 Gates	23.56
72 Haywood	23.43
73 McDowell	23.34
74 Camden	23.15
75 Carteret	26.21
76 Washington	25.50

77 Northampton	22.32
78 Bertie	21.86
79 Caswell	21.69
80 Columbus	21.56
81 Macon	20.18
82 Randolph	19.64
83 Montgomery	18.41
84 Onslow	18.27
85 Jones	18.12
86 Tyrrell	18.99
87 Madison	17.96
88 Chatham	17.50
89 Jackson	17.13
90 Clay	16.34
91 Bladen	15.91
92 Wilkes	15.91
93 Transylvania	14.61
94 Pender	13.26
95 Swain	12.76
96 Brunswick	11.43
97 Hyde	10.95
98 Cherokee	10.02
99 Dare	7.21
100 Graham	6.02

MARVELOUS INCREASE

Atlanta Constitution. Officials figures announced from Raleigh, N. C., last week show that there are 25,000 more automobiles and trucks owned and in use in that state than there were just one year ago. Think of it! That means 25,000 more state licenses to be paid for annually and it means also that gasoline must be provided for the operation of these 25,000 additional cars, with the State getting a tax on every gallon sold and placing it in the highway fund. Says the Charlotte Observer editorially: "North Carolina has a highway system that is bringing her nationwide fame and that has already obtained for the state millions of dollars worth of the best kind of national advertising; to say nothing of the tremendous value the roads are to our own people in the matter of saving of time and expense in transportation and travel, and the delights and comforts and driving anywhere in the State on perfectly good roads at high speed instead of the slow drive of former days over sand and mud. We are using the highways while paying for them, and nobody is paying except those who use them. Moreover, those who are paying are saving enough in gasoline and tires and the curtailed wear and tear of car to cover the cost of the roads to them and more."

Paul Whitlock told the listening radio world the other night that the "pay as you go" system of constructing state highway plan means that "you pay alright, but you don't go very far." Then he told his radio audience about the North Carolina way. "North Carolina collects over eight million dollars a year from her gasoline and automobile license tax" he said, "and that is sufficient to pay the interest on her highway bonds maintain her roads and lay up a sinking fund with which to pay the bonds when they fall due." He could have gone further and told his radio listeners that by reason of system and connected paved highways in North Carolina the State it not only receiving in motor taxes the interest on the bonds and provide alone a sum quite sufficient to carry the legal sinking fund but a surplus over and above these requirements each year larger in itself than the State received from all of its motor taxes combined at the time the State had vision enough to issue bonds and start the construction of a paved system. It simply illustrates the wisdom of building highways that start somewhere and go somewhere and serve the year around. Georgia will come to it. The failure to submit the question to the people this year delayed matters for about four years, but every day the wisdom of a business system of administration is more and more impressed.

Bur clover has rebuilt the soil of an Edgecombe County farm which tenants would not cultivate rent free.

Fourteen silos were built by farmers in Buncombe County in the fall of 1925.

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