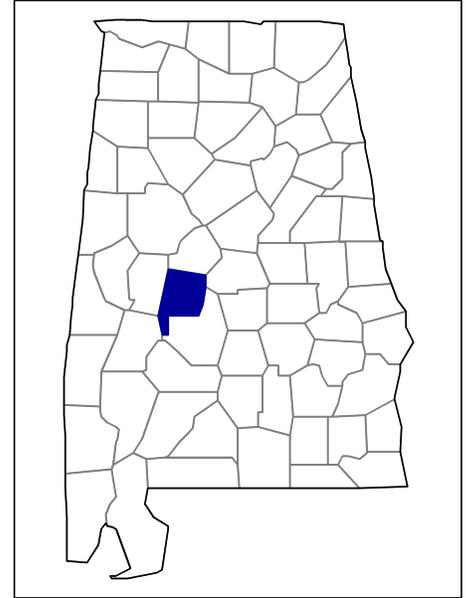




# 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

## Perry, Alabama



### Number of farms

376 farms in 2002, 421 farms in 1997, down 11 percent.

### Land in farms

165,018 acres in 2002, 161,930 acres in 1997, up 2 percent.

### Average size of farm

439 acres in 2002, 385 acres in 1997, up 14 percent.

### Market Value of Production

\$17,872,000 in 2002, \$10,763,000 in 1997, up 66 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$1,681,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$16,190,000 of the total value in 2002.

### Market Value of Production, average per farm

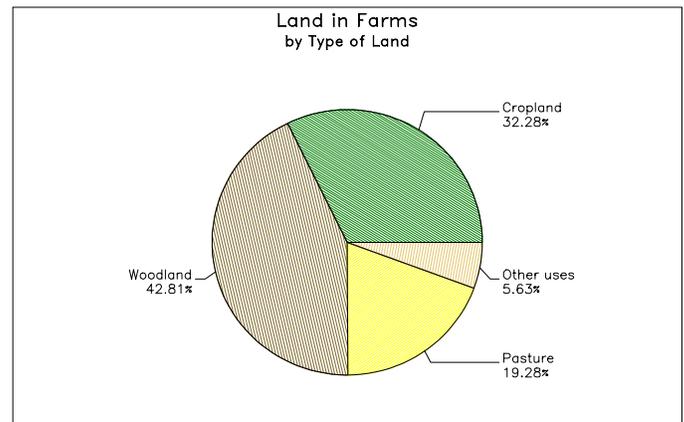
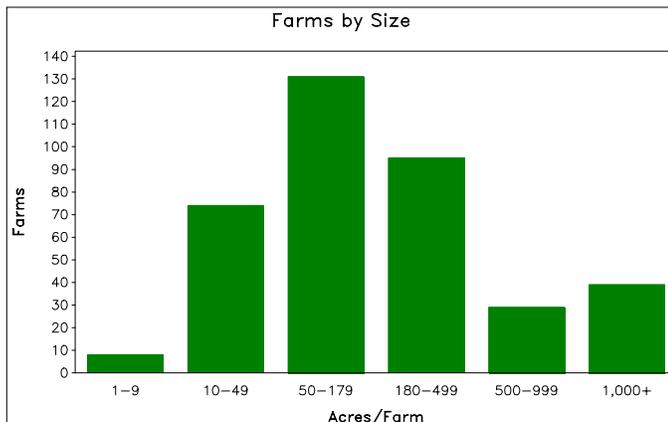
\$47,531 in 2002, \$25,565 in 1997, up 86 percent.

### Government Payments

\$1,242,000 in 2002, \$1,109,000 in 1997, up 12 percent.

### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$8,628 in 2002, \$7,649 in 1997, up 13 percent.



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**Ranked items among the 67 state counties and 3,078 U.S. counties, 2002**

Item	Quantity	State Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>	U.S. Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)</b>					
Total value of agricultural products sold	17,872	47	67	2,179	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	1,681	46	67	2,565	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	16,190	38	67	1,479	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	655	24	66	1,912	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	3	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	(D)	(D)	56	(D)	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	495	15	66	1,005	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	67	(D)	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	-	-	62	-	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	34	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	377	43	67	2,124	3,046
Poultry and eggs	1	64	66	2,606	2,918
Cattle and calves	3,275	43	67	1,848	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	(D)	54	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	1	63	66	2,845	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	13	41	66	2,165	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	(D)	67	(D)	3,014
Aquaculture	11,784	3	62	20	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	60	(D)	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	16,723	39	67	1,633	3,059
Layers 20 weeks old and older	446	50	67	1,991	2,983
All Goats	436	44	67	1,118	2,971
Horses and ponies	317	64	67	2,583	3,065
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	190	51	65	1,508	2,599
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	10,638	33	67	1,706	3,059
Soybeans	4,691	9	54	1,217	2,076
Corn for grain	726	48	67	1,887	2,592
All Vegetables harvested	363	14	66	734	2,710
All Cotton	(D)	54	57	(D)	663

**Other County Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	110
\$1,000 to \$2,499	62
\$2,500 to \$4,999	50
\$5,000 to \$9,999	37
\$10,000 to \$19,999	36
\$20,000 to \$24,999	5
\$25,000 to \$39,999	20
\$40,000 to \$49,999	5
\$50,000 to \$99,999	20
\$100,000 to \$249,999	14
\$250,000 to \$499,999	6
\$500,000 or more	11
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	16,477
Average per farm (\$)	43,360
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	6,674
Average per farm (\$)	17,564

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	232
Other	144
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	327
Female	49
Average age of principal operator (years)	57.4
All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
White	377
Black or African American	130
American Indian or Alaska Native	-
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	-
More than one race	-
All operators <sup>2</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	13

(D) Cannot be disclosed. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown. See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

<sup>1</sup> Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item.

<sup>2</sup> Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.