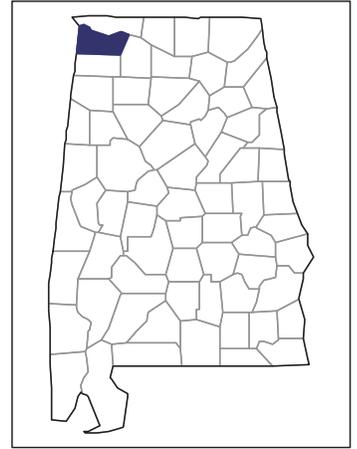


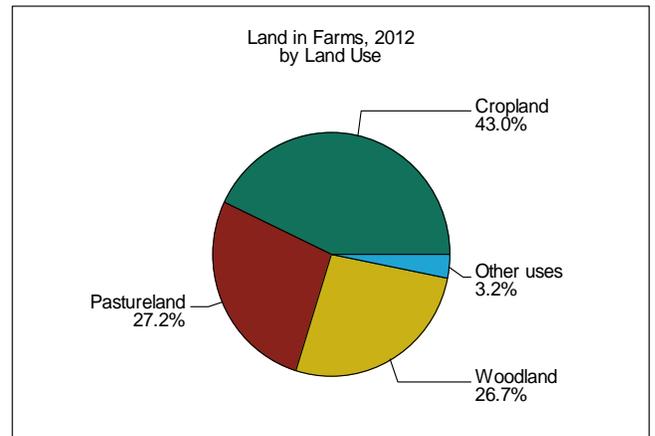
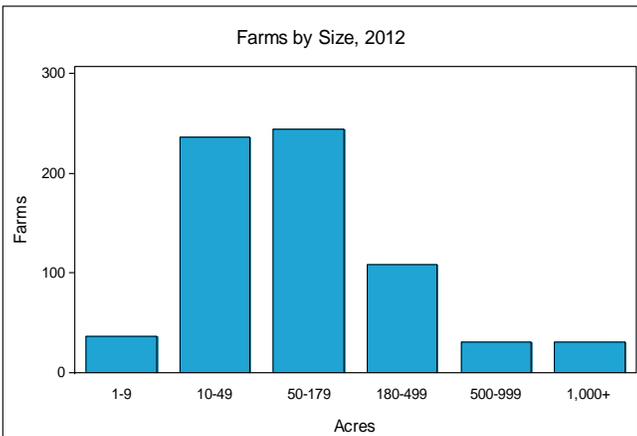
# 2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

## COUNTY PROFILE

### Colbert County Alabama



	2012	2007	% change
<b>Number of Farms</b>	687	736	- 7
<b>Land in Farms</b>	152,767 acres	128,905 acres	+ 19
<b>Average Size of Farm</b>	222 acres	175 acres	+ 27
<b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>	\$67,004,000	\$42,429,000	+ 58
Crop Sales \$36,371,000 (54 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$30,634,000 (46 percent)			
<b>Average Per Farm</b>	\$97,532	\$57,648	+ 69
<b>Government Payments</b>	\$1,996,000	\$2,843,000	- 30
<b>Average Per Farm Receiving Payments</b>	\$9,240	\$10,647	- 13





## Colbert County – Alabama

### Ranked items among the 67 state counties and 3,079 U.S. counties, 2012

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	67,004	34	67	1,531	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	36,371	11	67	1,356	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	30,634	34	67	1,286	3,076
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	30,441	4	67	1,070	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	1	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	3,580	22	51	306	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	119	52	67	1,764	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	52	66	(D)	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	1,154	26	62	1,018	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	17	34	(D)	1,530
Other crops and hay	1,005	45	67	1,936	3,049
Poultry and eggs	23,997	32	67	397	3,013
Cattle and calves	6,312	26	67	1,644	3,056
Milk from cows	-	-	24	-	2,038
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	55	(D)	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	85	19	67	1,485	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	203	21	67	1,238	3,011
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	49	(D)	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	34	33	64	1,644	2,924
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Corn for grain	20,972	6	67	947	2,638
Soybeans for beans	16,493	7	65	989	2,162
Wheat for grain, all	15,133	3	60	553	2,537
Winter wheat for grain	15,133	3	60	466	2,480
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	11,676	26	67	1,489	3,057
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	1,871,616	29	67	219	2,723
Pullets for laying flock replacement	(D)	(D)	63	(D)	2,637
Cattle and calves	20,706	22	67	1,324	3,063
Horses and ponies	1,370	14	67	816	3,072
Layers	1,262	53	67	1,674	3,040

### Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	227	Farming	252
\$1,000 to \$2,499	75	Other	435
\$2,500 to \$4,999	60	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	103	Male	618
\$10,000 to \$19,999	88	Female	69
\$20,000 to \$24,999	25	Average age of principal operator (years)	58.5
\$25,000 to \$39,999	20	All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	10	American Indian or Alaska Native	17
\$50,000 to \$99,999	19	Asian	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	14	Black or African American	34
\$250,000 to \$499,999	1	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	1
\$500,000 or more	45	White	923
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	66,896	More than one race	2
Average per farm (\$)	97,375	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup>	4
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	4,684		
Average per farm (\$)	6,817		

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.

<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.