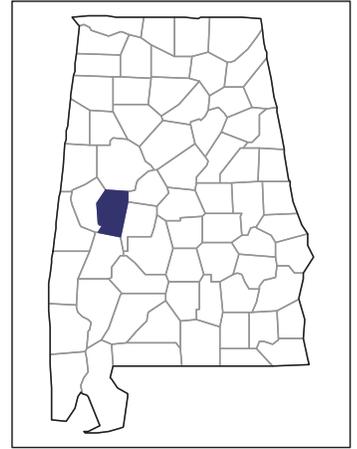


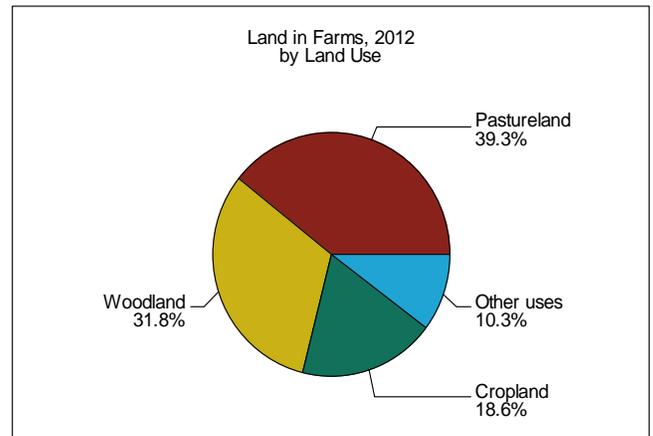
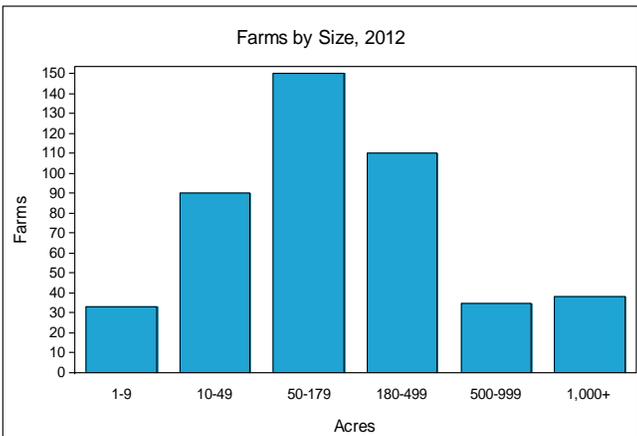
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE

Hale County Alabama



	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	456	479	- 5
Land in Farms	160,500 acres	169,287 acres	- 5
Average Size of Farm	352 acres	353 acres	0
Market Value of Products Sold	\$65,178,000	\$57,830,000	+ 13
Crop Sales (D)			
Livestock Sales (D)			
Average Per Farm	\$142,934	\$120,732	+ 18
Government Payments	\$797,000	\$1,200,000	- 34
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$5,457	\$6,489	- 16





Hale County – Alabama

Ranked items among the 67 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	65,178	35	67	1,561	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	(D)	50	67	(D)	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	(D)	25	67	772	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	1,548	46	67	2,125	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	1	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	(D)	48	51	607	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	67	(D)	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	65	66	(D)	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	62	(D)	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	33	34	1,515	1,530
Other crops and hay	1,413	36	67	1,629	3,049
Poultry and eggs	(D)	47	67	(D)	3,013
Cattle and calves	11,378	7	67	1,224	3,056
Milk from cows	-	-	24	-	2,038
Hogs and pigs	-	-	55	-	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	13	61	67	2,602	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	(D)	67	(D)	3,011
Aquaculture	44,995	1	49	4	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	-	-	64	-	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	13,928	16	67	1,314	3,057
Soybeans for beans	3,350	21	65	1,388	2,162
Wheat for grain, all	620	39	60	1,813	2,537
Winter wheat for grain	620	39	60	1,732	2,480
Corn for grain	184	59	67	2,267	2,638
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	205,337	46	67	483	2,723
Cattle and calves	23,378	20	67	1,198	3,063
Layers	904	56	67	1,942	3,040
Horses and ponies	399	57	67	2,283	3,072
Goats, all	157	65	67	2,314	2,996

Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	138	Farming	227
\$1,000 to \$2,499	45	Other	229
\$2,500 to \$4,999	48	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	43	Male	402
\$10,000 to \$19,999	48	Female	54
\$20,000 to \$24,999	12	Average age of principal operator (years)	59.6
\$25,000 to \$39,999	35	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	17	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$50,000 to \$99,999	18	Asian	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	13	Black or African American	198
\$250,000 to \$499,999	10	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	29	White	432
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	51,693	More than one race	2
Average per farm (\$)	113,362	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	5
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	15,717		
Average per farm (\$)	34,466		

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.