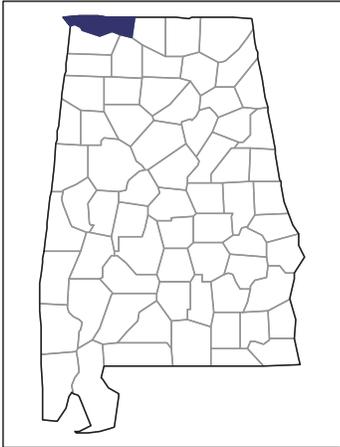


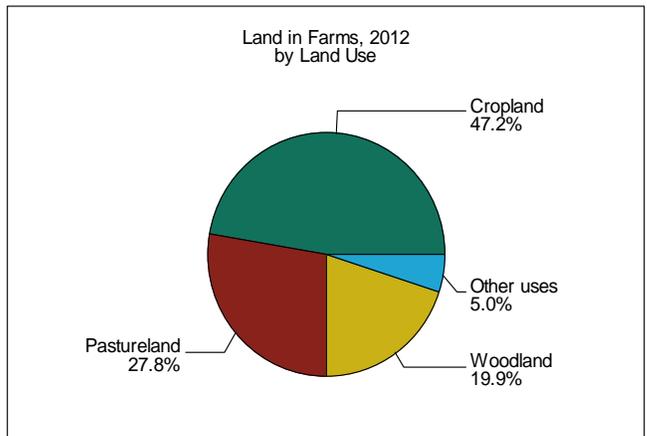
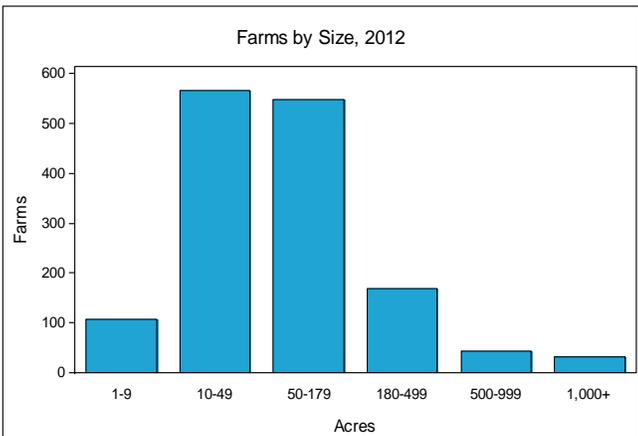
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



Lauderdale County Alabama

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	1,466	1,697	- 14
Land in Farms	211,589 acres	227,692 acres	- 7
Average Size of Farm	144 acres	134 acres	+ 7
Market Value of Products Sold	\$72,399,000	\$44,966,000	+ 61
Crop Sales \$40,243,000 (56 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$32,156,000 (44 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$49,385	\$26,497	+ 86
Government Payments	\$2,973,000	\$4,399,000	- 32
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$5,853	\$7,650	- 23





Lauderdale 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	72,399	32	67	1,468	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	40,243	8	67	1,289	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	32,156	33	67	1,244	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	27,687	6	67	1,110	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	1	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	9,444	13	51	184	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	277	25	67	1,345	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	89	41	66	1,485	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	686	34	62	1,222	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	34	-	1,530
Other crops and hay	2,059	28	67	1,322	3,049
Poultry and eggs	20,989	34	67	432	3,013
Cattle and calves	10,138	10	67	1,297	3,056
Milk from cows	-	-	24	-	2,038
Hogs and pigs	4	35	55	2,447	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	247	6	67	689	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	727	3	67	361	3,011
Aquaculture	3	34	49	1,044	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	49	24	64	1,438	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Corn for grain	24,690	4	67	883	2,638
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	23,436	6	67	820	3,057
Soybeans for beans	18,697	5	65	945	2,162
Cotton, all	15,227	10	51	175	635
Upland cotton	15,227	10	51	174	635
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	727,022	37	67	345	2,723
Layers	204,082	15	67	263	3,040
Pullets for laying flock replacement	118,778	16	63	230	2,637
Cattle and calves	29,439	9	67	976	3,063
Roosters	23,476	10	61	94	2,120

Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	493	Farming	657
\$1,000 to \$2,499	129	Other	809
\$2,500 to \$4,999	191	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	203	Male	1,323
\$10,000 to \$19,999	154	Female	143
\$20,000 to \$24,999	64	Average age of principal operator (years)	59.0
\$25,000 to \$39,999	44	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	33	American Indian or Alaska Native	8
\$50,000 to \$99,999	56	Asian	8
\$100,000 to \$249,999	35	Black or African American	37
\$250,000 to \$499,999	28	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	36	White	2,050
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	69,820	More than one race	9
Average per farm (\$)	47,626	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	4
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	9,927		
Average per farm (\$)	6,771		

See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes, explanations, definitions, and methodology.

- Represents zero.

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.