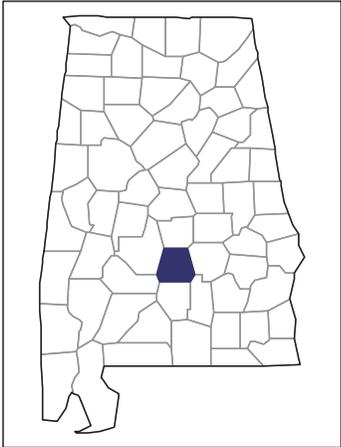


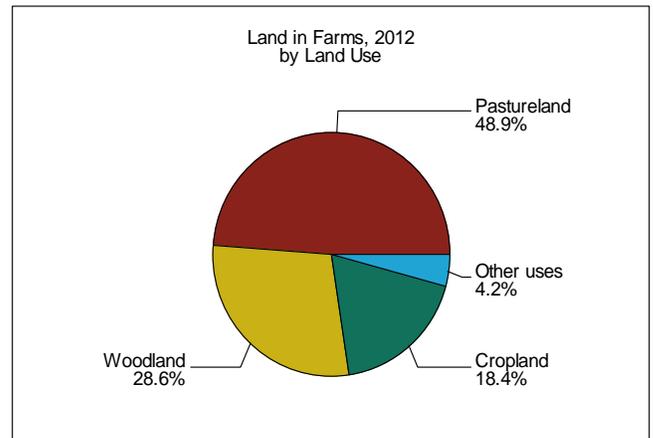
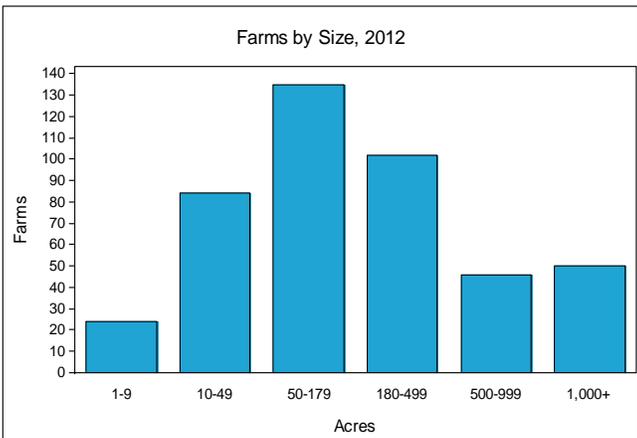
# 2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

## COUNTY PROFILE



### Lowndes County Alabama

|                                      | 2012          | 2007          | % change |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|----------|
| <b>Number of Farms</b>               | 441           | 405           | + 9      |
| <b>Land in Farms</b>                 | 217,760 acres | 186,823 acres | + 17     |
| <b>Average Size of Farm</b>          | 494 acres     | 461 acres     | + 7      |
| <b>Market Value of Products Sold</b> | \$76,316,000  | \$57,774,000  | + 32     |
| Crop Sales (D)                       |               |               |          |
| Livestock Sales (D)                  |               |               |          |
| Average Per Farm                     | \$173,051     | \$142,652     | + 21     |
| <b>Government Payments</b>           | \$880,000     | \$1,575,000   | - 44     |
| Average Per Farm Receiving Payments  | \$5,753       | \$11,840      | - 51     |





## Lowndes 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                             | 76,316    | 29         | 67                    | 1,417     | 3,077                 |
| Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse                       | (D)       | (D)        | 67                    | (D)       | 3,072                 |
| Value of livestock, poultry, and their products                       | (D)       | 24         | 67                    | 735       | 3,076                 |
| <b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>                    |           |            |                       |           |                       |
| Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas                             | 5,873     | 16         | 67                    | 1,696     | 2,926                 |
| Tobacco   | -         | -          | 1                     | -         | 436                   |
| Cotton and cottonseed   | -         | -          | 51                    | -         | 635                   |
| Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes                      | 198       | 40         | 67                    | 1,518     | 2,802                 |
| Fruits, tree nuts, and berries  | (D)       | 4          | 66                    | (D)       | 2,724                 |
| Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod                            | (D)       | (D)        | 62                    | (D)       | 2,678                 |
| Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops                    | -         | -          | 34                    | -         | 1,530                 |
| Other crops and hay   | (D)       | (D)        | 67                    | (D)       | 3,049                 |
| Poultry and eggs  | 38,115    | 27         | 67                    | 290       | 3,013                 |
| Cattle and calves   | (D)       | 2          | 67                    | 608       | 3,056                 |
| Milk from cows  | -         | -          | 24                    | -         | 2,038                 |
| Hogs and pigs   | -         | -          | 55                    | -         | 2,827                 |
| Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk                                  | 13        | 60         | 67                    | 2,590     | 2,988                 |
| Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys                            | 73        | 44         | 67                    | 2,067     | 3,011                 |
| Aquaculture   | 90        | 18         | 49                    | 673       | 1,366                 |
| Other animals and other animal products                               | 38        | 31         | 64                    | 1,580     | 2,924                 |
| <b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>   |           |            |                       |           |                       |
| Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop | 19,011    | 12         | 67                    | 1,023     | 3,057                 |
| Soybeans for beans  | 4,723     | 15         | 65                    | 1,294     | 2,162                 |
| Wheat for grain, all  | (D)       | 15         | 60                    | (D)       | 2,537                 |
| Winter wheat for grain  | (D)       | 15         | 60                    | (D)       | 2,480                 |
| Corn for grain  | 2,546     | 23         | 67                    | 1,642     | 2,638                 |
| <b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>                         |           |            |                       |           |                       |
| Broilers and other meat-type chickens                                 | 2,366,824 | 26         | 67                    | 193       | 2,723                 |
| Cattle and calves   | 45,410    | 4          | 67                    | 576       | 3,063                 |
| Quail   | (D)       | (D)        | 40                    | (D)       | 944                   |
| Turkeys   | (D)       | 1          | 54                    | (D)       | 2,416                 |
| Horses and ponies   | 751       | 33         | 67                    | 1,580     | 3,072                 |

### Other County Highlights, 2012

| Economic Characteristics                    | Quantity | Operator Characteristics  | Quantity |
|---|----------|---|----------|
| Farms by value of sales:                    |          | Principal operators by primary occupation:                        |          |
| Less than \$1,000                           | 101      | Farming   | 214      |
| \$1,000 to \$2,499                          | 45       | Other   | 227      |
| \$2,500 to \$4,999                          | 62       | Principal operators by sex:                                       |          |
| \$5,000 to \$9,999                          | 52       | Male  | 385      |
| \$10,000 to \$19,999                        | 47       | Female  | 56       |
| \$20,000 to \$24,999                        | 19       | Average age of principal operator (years)                         | 60.1     |
| \$25,000 to \$39,999                        | 35       | All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :                              |          |
| \$40,000 to \$49,999                        | 11       | American Indian or Alaska Native                                  | -        |
| \$50,000 to \$99,999                        | 25       | Asian   | -        |
| \$100,000 to \$249,999                      | 6        | Black or African American   | 235      |
| \$250,000 to \$499,999                      | 7        | Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander                         | -        |
| \$500,000 or more                           | 31       | White   | 398      |
| Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)    | 67,024   | More than one race  | 3        |
| Average per farm (\$)                       | 151,981  | All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup> | 4        |
| Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000) | 11,739   |   |          |
| Average per farm (\$)                       | 26,618   |   |          |

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.