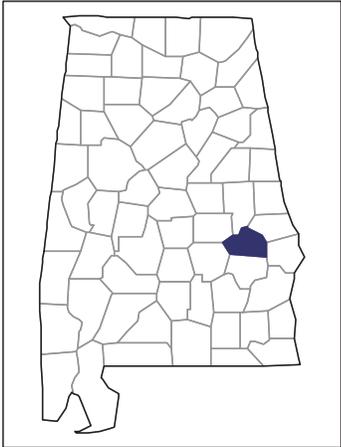


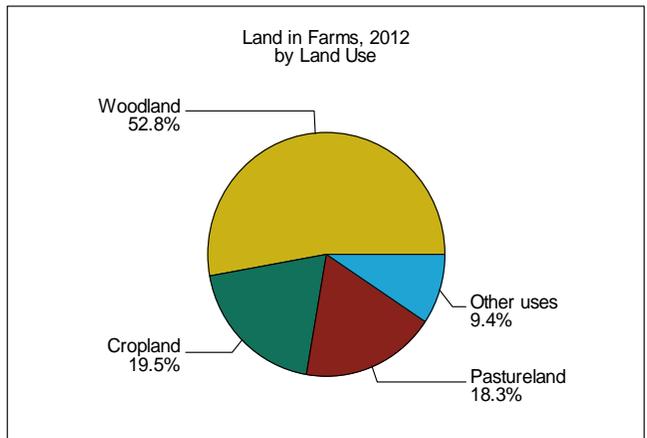
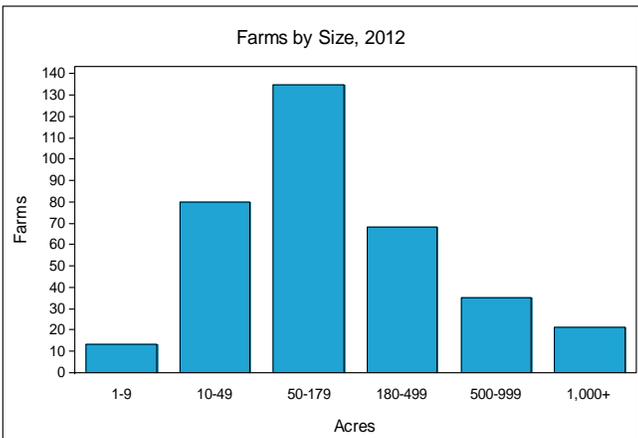
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



Macon County Alabama

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	352	385	- 9
Land in Farms	103,317 acres	116,758 acres	- 12
Average Size of Farm	294 acres	303 acres	- 3
Market Value of Products Sold	\$15,217,000	\$13,440,000	+ 13
Crop Sales \$12,243,000 (80 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$2,974,000 (20 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$43,230	\$34,909	+ 24
Government Payments	\$622,000	\$1,466,000	- 58
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$5,315	\$11,826	- 55





Macon 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	15,217	57	67	2,502	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	12,243	31	67	1,990	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	2,974	62	67	2,664	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	1,190	48	67	2,185	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	1	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	2,505	26	51	345	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	221	35	67	1,469	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	534	12	66	684	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	7,075	7	62	338	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	34	-	1,530
Other crops and hay	718	55	67	2,175	3,049
Poultry and eggs	176	55	67	1,254	3,013
Cattle and calves	2,002	56	67	2,328	3,056
Milk from cows	(D)	15	24	(D)	2,038
Hogs and pigs	-	-	55	-	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	71	24	67	1,653	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	(D)	67	(D)	3,011
Aquaculture	-	-	49	-	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	56	64	(D)	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	6,236	55	67	2,054	3,057
Cotton, all	3,861	25	51	350	635
Upland cotton	3,861	25	51	349	635
Soybeans for beans	562	52	65	1,782	2,162
Pecans, all	542	8	65	189	1,263
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Quail	29,000	8	40	44	944
Cattle and calves	6,742	58	67	2,230	3,063
Layers	3,952	37	67	904	3,040
Goats, all	858	22	67	686	2,996
Horses and ponies	615	39	67	1,815	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	152	Farming	170
\$1,000 to \$2,499	30	Other	182
\$2,500 to \$4,999	31	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	28	Male	307
\$10,000 to \$19,999	45	Female	45
\$20,000 to \$24,999	12	Average age of principal operator (years)	61.8
\$25,000 to \$39,999	21	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	7	American Indian or Alaska Native	3
\$50,000 to \$99,999	12	Asian	4
\$100,000 to \$249,999	5	Black or African American	119
\$250,000 to \$499,999	1	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	8	White	391
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	18,907	More than one race	3
Average per farm (\$)	53,714	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	6
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	-1,204		
Average per farm (\$)	-3,422		

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.