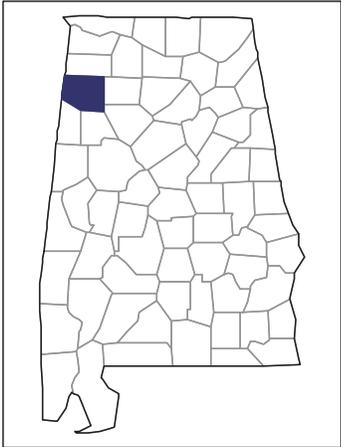


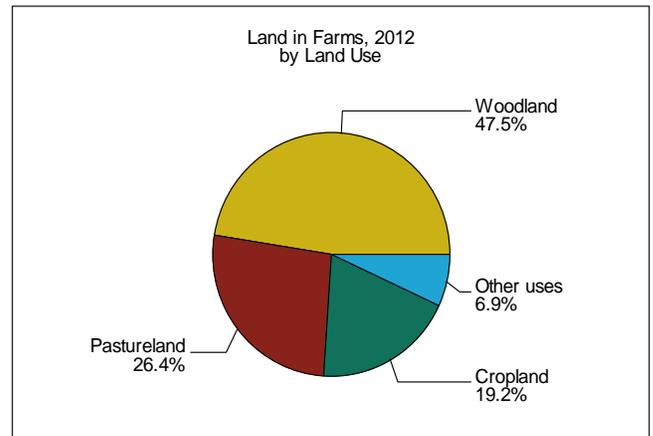
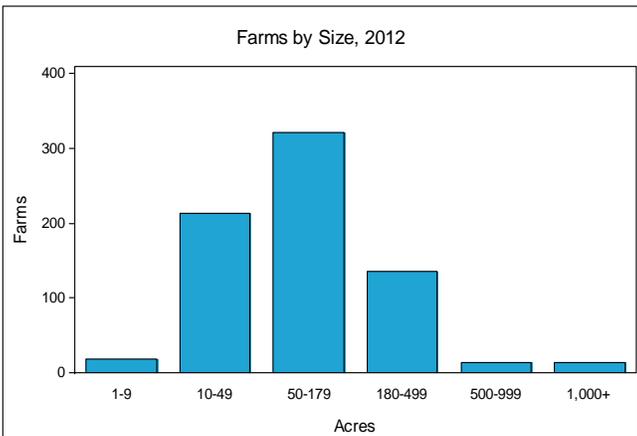
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



Marion County Alabama

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	715	787	- 9
Land in Farms	113,773 acres	117,206 acres	- 3
Average Size of Farm	159 acres	149 acres	+ 7
Market Value of Products Sold	\$100,063,000	\$70,237,000	+ 42
Crop Sales \$3,184,000 (3 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$96,879,000 (97 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$139,948	\$89,246	+ 57
Government Payments	\$599,000	\$694,000	- 14
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$2,896	\$2,765	+ 5





Marion 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	100,063	22	67	1,173	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	3,184	56	67	2,576	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	96,879	14	67	491	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	1,766	44	67	2,091	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	1	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	(D)	51	51	629	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	114	55	67	1,790	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	61	66	(D)	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	22	56	62	2,395	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	34	-	1,530
Other crops and hay	1,257	40	67	1,722	3,049
Poultry and eggs	92,944	14	67	130	3,013
Cattle and calves	3,671	40	67	2,008	3,056
Milk from cows	-	-	24	-	2,038
Hogs and pigs	27	16	55	1,676	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	11	64	67	2,660	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	209	18	67	1,217	3,011
Aquaculture	-	-	49	-	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	17	43	64	1,977	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	10,130	33	67	1,618	3,057
Soybeans for beans	1,682	35	65	1,577	2,162
Corn for grain	911	44	67	1,928	2,638
Wheat for grain, all	(D)	46	60	(D)	2,537
Winter wheat for grain	(D)	46	60	(D)	2,480
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	5,207,424	10	67	91	2,723
Layers	(D)	(D)	67	(D)	3,040
Cattle and calves	13,103	37	67	1,719	3,063
Horses and ponies	2,101	7	67	428	3,072
Roosters	(D)	33	61	(D)	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	279	Farming	268
\$1,000 to \$2,499	86	Other	447
\$2,500 to \$4,999	58		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	95	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	56	Male	652
\$20,000 to \$24,999	23	Female	63
\$25,000 to \$39,999	19		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	3	Average age of principal operator (years)	57.8
\$50,000 to \$99,999	16		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	4	All operators by race ² :	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	13	American Indian or Alaska Native	14
\$500,000 or more	63	Asian	7
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	83,621	Black or African American	9
Average per farm (\$)	116,953	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		White	1,035
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	18,248	More than one race	4
Average per farm (\$)	25,522	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	1

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.