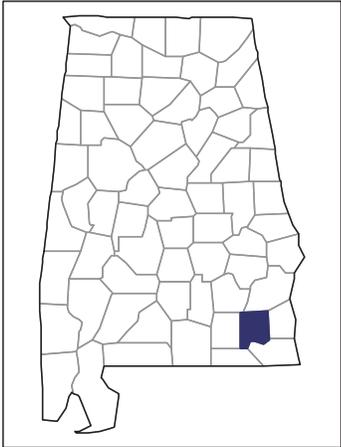


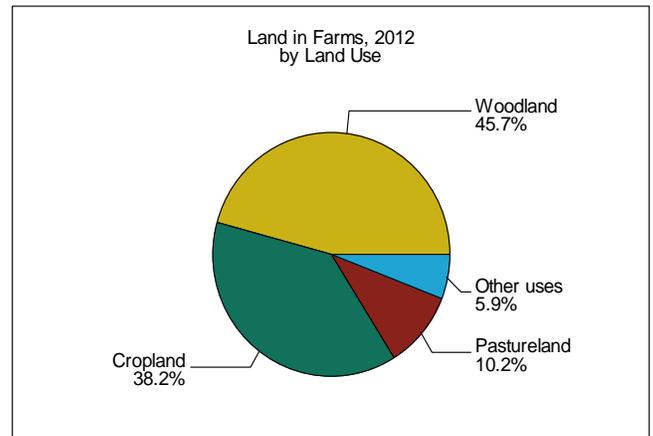
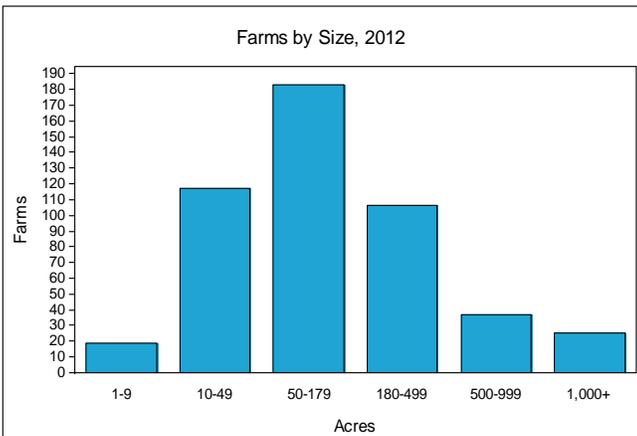
# 2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

## COUNTY PROFILE



### Dale County Alabama

	2012	2007	% change
<b>Number of Farms</b>	487	528	- 8
<b>Land in Farms</b>	129,788 acres	138,197 acres	- 6
<b>Average Size of Farm</b>	267 acres	262 acres	+ 2
<b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>	\$118,049,000	\$76,266,000	+ 55
Crop Sales \$25,451,000 (22 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$92,599,000 (78 percent)			
<b>Average Per Farm</b>	\$242,401	\$144,444	+ 68
<b>Government Payments</b>	\$1,495,000	\$2,307,000	- 35
<b>Average Per Farm Receiving Payments</b>	\$5,515	\$8,298	- 34





## Dale 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	118,049	15	67	1,007	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	25,451	20	67	1,580	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	92,599	16	67	514	3,076
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	2,363	32	67	2,005	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	1	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	9,885	12	51	179	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	255	28	67	1,395	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	360	18	66	828	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	140	50	62	1,903	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	34	-	1,530
Other crops and hay	12,448	8	67	246	3,049
Poultry and eggs	89,447	15	67	138	3,013
Cattle and calves	2,778	50	67	2,133	3,056
Milk from cows	-	-	24	-	2,038
Hogs and pigs	3	37	55	2,493	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	40	38	67	2,054	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	188	23	67	1,299	3,011
Aquaculture	60	19	49	721	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	82	15	64	1,209	2,924
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Cotton, all	13,413	13	51	192	635
Upland cotton	13,413	13	51	191	635
Peanuts for nuts	11,877	7	34	46	364
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	7,396	53	67	1,904	3,057
Corn for grain	2,289	27	67	1,672	2,638
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	4,992,056	11	67	95	2,723
Layers	218,624	13	67	253	3,040
Roosters	26,160	9	61	82	2,120
Cattle and calves	9,775	47	67	1,944	3,063
Horses and ponies	780	30	67	1,530	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	191	Farming	150
\$1,000 to \$2,499	47	Other	337
\$2,500 to \$4,999	48	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	42	Male	420
\$10,000 to \$19,999	42	Female	67
\$20,000 to \$24,999	8	Average age of principal operator (years)	60.5
\$25,000 to \$39,999	21	All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	4	American Indian or Alaska Native	6
\$50,000 to \$99,999	7	Asian	4
\$100,000 to \$249,999	4	Black or African American	10
\$250,000 to \$499,999	3	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	70	White	704
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	91,584	More than one race	4
Average per farm (\$)	188,058	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup>	16
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	29,875		
Average per farm (\$)	61,345		

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

- Represents zero.

<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.