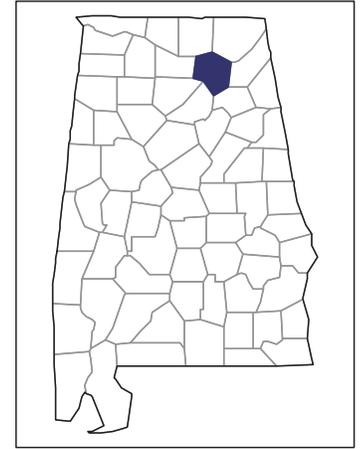


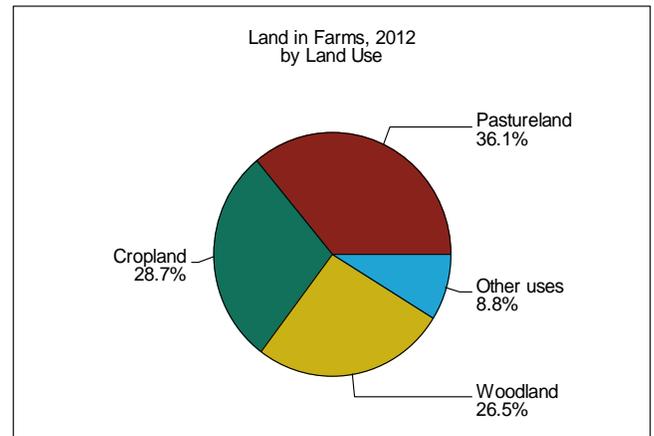
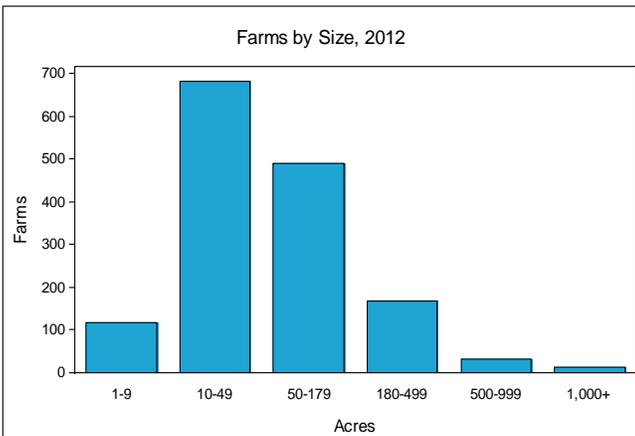
# 2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

## COUNTY PROFILE



### Marshall County Alabama

	2012	2007	% change
<b>Number of Farms</b>	1,505	1,731	- 13
<b>Land in Farms</b>	162,980 acres	154,548 acres	+ 5
<b>Average Size of Farm</b>	108 acres	89 acres	+ 21
<b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>	\$256,501,000	\$238,190,000	+ 8
Crop Sales \$7,445,000 (3 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$249,056,000 (97 percent)			
<b>Average Per Farm</b>	\$170,433	\$137,603	+ 24
<b>Government Payments</b>	\$2,102,000	\$1,181,000	+ 78
<b>Average Per Farm Receiving Payments</b>	\$5,888	\$3,307	+ 78





## Marshall 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	256,501	4	67	372	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	7,445	42	67	2,244	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	249,056	3	67	124	3,076
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	4,184	26	67	1,814	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	1	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	51	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	30	67	1,421	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	39	66	(D)	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	539	36	62	1,314	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	34	-	1,530
Other crops and hay	2,380	24	67	1,187	3,049
Poultry and eggs	236,302	3	67	25	3,013
Cattle and calves	9,823	11	67	1,324	3,056
Milk from cows	-	-	24	-	2,038
Hogs and pigs	2,042	6	55	746	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	120	12	67	1,206	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	387	7	67	721	3,011
Aquaculture	(D)	43	49	1,182	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	1	64	(D)	2,924
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	27,123	3	67	700	3,057
Soybeans for beans	4,600	16	65	1,303	2,162
Corn for grain	3,474	18	67	1,531	2,638
Wheat for grain, all	564	41	60	1,839	2,537
Winter wheat for grain	564	41	60	1,762	2,480
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	10,947,463	3	67	26	2,723
Layers	689,228	3	67	143	3,040
Pullets for laying flock replacement	114,975	17	63	236	2,637
Cattle and calves	38,777	5	67	718	3,063
Roosters	20,094	15	61	113	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	400	Farming	631
\$1,000 to \$2,499	151	Other	874
\$2,500 to \$4,999	202		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	237	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	168	Male	1,360
\$20,000 to \$24,999	43	Female	145
\$25,000 to \$39,999	62		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	19	Average age of principal operator (years)	58.7
\$50,000 to \$99,999	38		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	15	All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	17	American Indian or Alaska Native	4
\$500,000 or more	153	Asian	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	215,491	Black or African American	1
Average per farm (\$)	143,183	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		White	2,198
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	45,380	More than one race	12
Average per farm (\$)	30,153	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup>	8

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.