



Alabama 3rd District

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017

	2017
Number of farms	5,232
Land in farms (acres)	1,104,479
Average size of farm (acres)	211
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Total	(\$)
Market value of products sold	813,111,000
Government payments	13,810,000
Farm-related income	17,650,000
Total farm production expenses	616,798,000
Net cash farm income	227,773,000
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Per farm average	(\$)
Market value of products sold	155,411
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	7,955
Farm-related income	11,885
Total farm production expenses	117,889
Net cash farm income	43,535

14 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	20
Livestock, poultry, and products	80

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	27
Pastureland	28
Woodland	38
Other	7

Acres irrigated: 15,199

1% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	6
Reduced till	3
Intensive till	6
Cover crop	5

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	2,246	43
\$2,500 to \$4,999	513	10
\$5,000 to \$9,999	738	14
\$10,000 to \$24,999	700	13
\$25,000 to \$49,999	341	7
\$50,000 to \$99,999	214	4
\$100,000 or more	480	9

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	397	8
10 to 49 acres	1,430	27
50 to 179 acres	1,976	38
180 to 499 acres	917	18
500 to 999 acres	302	6
1,000 + acres	210	4

Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold

	Sales (\$1,000)	Rank in State ^b	CDs Producing Item	Rank in U.S. ^b	CDs Producing Item
Total	813,111	3	7	121	431
Crops	163,468	5	7	188	431
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	14,877	6	7	196	381
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	68
Cotton and cottonseed	35,725	4	7	32	108
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	7,304	3	7	186	418
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	1,959	4	7	246	416
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	89,193	2	7	43	425
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	101	5	7	166	326
Other crops and hay	14,309	5	7	163	395
Livestock, poultry, and products	649,643	3	7	82	422
Poultry and eggs	588,598	3	7	25	404
Cattle and calves	52,159	4	7	136	396
Milk from cows	1,813	4	7	211	312
Hogs and pigs	3,351	3	7	107	367
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	620	4	7	181	393
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	1,962	4	7	146	393
Aquaculture	443	4	7	128	328
Other animals and animal products	698	2	7	184	413

Total Producers ^c

8,533

Sex

Male 5,666
Female 2,867

Age

<35 856
35 – 64 4,730
65 and older 2,947

Race

American Indian/Alaska Native 77
Asian 30
Black or African American 398
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander 10
White 7,960
More than one race 58

Other characteristics

Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin 84
With military service 1,114
New and beginning farmers 2,753

Percent of farms that:

Have internet access **75**

Farm organically **(Z)**

Sell directly to consumers **5**

Hire farm labor **24**

Are family farms **97**

Top Crops in Acres ^d

Forage (hay/haylage), all 107,261
Cotton, all 61,984
Soybeans for beans 15,100
Corn for grain 15,005
Peanuts for nuts 5,371

Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)

Broilers and other meat-type chickens 30,817,285
Cattle and calves 182,110
Goats 6,497
Hogs and pigs 11,995
Horses and ponies 7,902
Layers 970,925
Pullets (D)
Sheep and lambs 4,175
Turkeys 152

See 2017 Census of Agriculture, U.S. Summary and State Data, for complete footnotes, explanations, definitions, commodity descriptions, and methodology.

^a May not add to 100% due to rounding. ^b Among CDs whose rank can be displayed. ^c Data collected for a maximum of four producers per farm.

^d Crop commodity names may be shortened; see full names at www.nass.usda.gov/go/cropnames.pdf. ^e Position below the line does not indicate rank.

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations. (NA) Not available. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown. (-) Represents zero.