



# Georgia 8th District

## Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017

|   | 2017          |
|---|---------------|
| Number of farms                                     | 6,410         |
| Land in farms (acres)                               | 2,070,355     |
| Average size of farm (acres)                        | 323           |
| <hr/>   |               |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>(\$)</b>   |
| Market value of products sold                       | 1,416,022,000 |
| Government payments                                 | 68,008,000    |
| Farm-related income                                 | 58,343,000    |
| Total farm production expenses                      | 1,121,984,000 |
| Net cash farm income                                | 420,388,000   |
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| <b>Per farm average</b>                             | <b>(\$)</b>   |
| Market value of products sold                       | 220,908       |
| Government payments<br>(average per farm receiving) | 22,692        |
| Farm-related income                                 | 24,965        |
| Total farm production expenses                      | 175,037       |
| Net cash farm income                                | 65,583        |

**15** Percent of state agriculture sales

### Share of Sales by Type (%)

|                                  |    |
|----------------------------------|----|
| Crops                            | 64 |
| Livestock, poultry, and products | 36 |

### Land in Farms by Use (%) <sup>a</sup>

|             |    |
|-------------|----|
| Cropland    | 52 |
| Pastureland | 7  |
| Woodland    | 35 |
| Other       | 6  |

**Acres irrigated: 355,756**

17% of land in farms

### Land Use Practices (% of farms)

|                |    |
|----------------|----|
| No till        | 10 |
| Reduced till   | 9  |
| Intensive till | 15 |
| Cover crop     | 12 |

## Farms by Value of Sales

|                      | Number | Percent of Total <sup>a</sup> |
|----------------------|--------|-------------------------------|
| Less than \$2,500    | 2,877  | 45                            |
| \$2,500 to \$4,999   | 516    | 8                             |
| \$5,000 to \$9,999   | 553    | 9                             |
| \$10,000 to \$24,999 | 663    | 10                            |
| \$25,000 to \$49,999 | 336    | 5                             |
| \$50,000 to \$99,999 | 294    | 5                             |
| \$100,000 or more    | 1,171  | 18                            |

## Farms by Size

|                  | Number | Percent of Total <sup>a</sup> |
|------------------|--------|-------------------------------|
| 1 to 9 acres     | 559    | 9                             |
| 10 to 49 acres   | 1,732  | 27                            |
| 50 to 179 acres  | 2,052  | 32                            |
| 180 to 499 acres | 1,037  | 16                            |
| 500 to 999 acres | 448    | 7                             |
| 1,000 + acres    | 582    | 9                             |

Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold

|   | Sales<br>(\$1,000) | Rank<br>in<br>State <sup>b</sup> | CDs<br>Producing<br>Item | Rank<br>in<br>U.S. <sup>b</sup> | CDs<br>Producing<br>Item |
|---|--------------------|----------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------|
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>1,416,022</b>   | <b>3</b>                         | <b>14</b>                | <b>77</b>                       | <b>431</b>               |
| <b>Crops</b>  | <b>905,816</b>     | <b>2</b>                         | <b>14</b>                | <b>56</b>                       | <b>431</b>               |
| Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas                     | 48,809             | 3                                | 13                       | 146                             | 381                      |
| Tobacco   | 27,138             | 1                                | 4                        | 15                              | 68                       |
| Cotton and cottonseed                                     | 245,503            | 2                                | 9                        | 9                               | 108                      |
| Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes              | 227,067            | 1                                | 14                       | 17                              | 418                      |
| Fruits, tree nuts, berries                                | 78,568             | 2                                | 14                       | 46                              | 416                      |
| Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod                    | 42,699             | 3                                | 13                       | 99                              | 425                      |
| Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation<br>woody crops | 223                | 1                                | 13                       | 126                             | 326                      |
| Other crops and hay                                       | 235,808            | 2                                | 14                       | 10                              | 395                      |
| <b>Livestock, poultry, and products</b>                   | <b>510,206</b>     | <b>6</b>                         | <b>14</b>                | <b>102</b>                      | <b>422</b>               |
| Poultry and eggs  | 415,929            | 6                                | 14                       | 37                              | 404                      |
| Cattle and calves   | 41,073             | 5                                | 14                       | 157                             | 396                      |
| Milk from cows  | 43,027             | 4                                | 9                        | 117                             | 312                      |
| Hogs and pigs   | 255                | 7                                | 12                       | 178                             | 367                      |
| Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk                          | 726                | 4                                | 14                       | 168                             | 393                      |
| Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys                    | (D)                | 3                                | 13                       | (D)                             | 393                      |
| Aquaculture   | (D)                | 3                                | 12                       | (D)                             | 328                      |
| Other animals and animal products                         | 3,892              | 3                                | 14                       | 64                              | 413                      |

Total Producers <sup>c</sup>

10,129

Sex

Male 6,864  
Female 3,265

Age

<35 745  
35 – 64 5,783  
65 and older 3,601

Race

American Indian/Alaska Native 41  
Asian 73  
Black or African American 464  
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander 2  
White 9,469  
More than one race 80

Other characteristics

Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin 100  
With military service 1,334  
New and beginning farmers 3,354

Percent of farms that:

Have internet access **75**

Farm organically **(Z)**

Sell directly to consumers **4**

Hire farm labor **29**

Are family farms **95**

Top Crops in Acres <sup>d</sup>

Cotton, all 421,004  
Peanuts for nuts 257,610  
Forage (hay/haylage), all 64,942  
Corn for grain 45,890  
Vegetables harvested, all 41,958

Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)

Broilers and other meat-type chickens 18,880,136  
Cattle and calves 146,347  
Goats 10,464  
Hogs and pigs 1,518  
Horses and ponies 6,198  
Layers 545,475  
Pullets 354,340  
Sheep and lambs 3,229  
Turkeys 265

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

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

<sup>d</sup> Crop commodity names may be shortened; see full names at [www.nass.usda.gov/go/cropnames.pdf](http://www.nass.usda.gov/go/cropnames.pdf). <sup>e</sup> 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.