



Hale County Alabama

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	393	-14
Land in farms (acres)	157,809	-2
Average size of farm (acres)	402	+14
Total	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	63,484,000	-3
Government payments	1,946,000	+144
Farm-related income	2,598,000	+81
Total farm production expenses	50,313,000	-3
Net cash farm income	17,715,000	+13
Per farm average	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	161,538	+13
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	9,680	+77
Farm-related income	14,931	+145
Total farm production expenses	128,023	+13
Net cash farm income	45,077	+31

1 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	7
Livestock, poultry, and products	93

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	13
Pastureland	42
Woodland	35
Other	10

Acres irrigated: 1,119

1% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	3
Reduced till	2
Intensive till	5
Cover crop	4

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	133	34
\$2,500 to \$4,999	52	13
\$5,000 to \$9,999	47	12
\$10,000 to \$24,999	44	11
\$25,000 to \$49,999	37	9
\$50,000 to \$99,999	30	8
\$100,000 or more	50	13

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	21	5
10 to 49 acres	88	22
50 to 179 acres	121	31
180 to 499 acres	74	19
500 to 999 acres	52	13
1,000 + acres	37	9

Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold

	Sales (\$1,000)	Rank in State ^b	Counties Producing Item	Rank in U.S. ^b	Counties Producing Item
Total	63,484	34	67	1,555	3,077
Crops	4,198	51	67	2,444	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	(D)	52	67	(D)	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	56	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	181	33	67	1,312	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	(D)	62	65	(D)	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	(D)	42	59	(D)	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	-	-	33	-	1,384
Other crops and hay	3,532	19	67	729	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	59,287	27	67	839	3,073
Poultry and eggs	(D)	49	67	(D)	3,007
Cattle and calves	14,032	7	67	1,024	3,055
Milk from cows	(D)	14	38	(D)	1,892
Hogs and pigs	4	39	64	1,720	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	36	34	67	1,936	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	(D)	(D)	67	(D)	2,970
Aquaculture	42,101	1	41	6	1,251
Other animals and animal products	(D)	56	66	1,790	2,878

Total Producers ^c	609	Percent of farms that:	Top Crops in Acres ^d
Sex		Have internet access	Forage (hay/haylage), all 14,076
Male	428	67	Soybeans for beans (D)
Female	181		Corn for grain (D)
Age		Farm organically	Vegetables harvested, all 64
<35	44	1	Nursery stock crops (D)
35 – 64	356		
65 and older	209		
Race		Sell directly to consumers	Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)
American Indian/Alaska Native	3	6	Broilers and other meat-type chickens (D)
Asian	-		Cattle and calves 28,827
Black or African American	158	Hire farm labor	Goats 113
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-	27	Hogs and pigs 198
White	448		Horses and ponies 253
More than one race	-		Layers 579
Other characteristics		Are family farms	Pullets (D)
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	1	97	Sheep and lambs 297
With military service	61		Turkeys -
New and beginning farmers	206		

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 counties 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.