



# Gordon County Georgia

## Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	740	+10
Land in farms (acres)	74,672	-12
Average size of farm (acres)	101	-20
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<b>Total</b>	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	294,164,000	+13
Government payments	1,580,000	+32
Farm-related income	2,437,000	+43
Total farm production expenses	197,323,000	-7
Net cash farm income	100,858,000	+91
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<b>Per farm average</b>	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	397,519	+2
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	7,248	-33
Farm-related income	14,332	+39
Total farm production expenses	266,653	-15
Net cash farm income	136,294	+73

**3** Percent of state agriculture sales

### Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	3
Livestock, poultry, and products	97

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

Cropland	40
Pastureland	37
Woodland	16
Other	7

**Acres irrigated: 1,013**

1% of land in farms

### Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	4
Reduced till	1
Intensive till	2
Cover crop	5

## Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total <sup>a</sup>
Less than \$2,500	289	39
\$2,500 to \$4,999	93	13
\$5,000 to \$9,999	109	15
\$10,000 to \$24,999	79	11
\$25,000 to \$49,999	30	4
\$50,000 to \$99,999	25	3
\$100,000 or more	115	16

## Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total <sup>a</sup>
1 to 9 acres	76	10
10 to 49 acres	313	42
50 to 179 acres	264	36
180 to 499 acres	62	8
500 to 999 acres	16	2
1,000 + acres	9	1

Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold

	Sales (\$1,000)	Rank in State <sup>b</sup>	Counties Producing Item	Rank in U.S. <sup>b</sup>	Counties Producing Item
<b>Total</b>	<b>294,164</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>263</b>	<b>3,077</b>
<b>Crops</b>	<b>8,639</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>2,112</b>	<b>3,073</b>
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	3,290	27	148	1,780	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	25	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	(D)	69	90	(D)	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	313	46	157	1,115	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	(D)	(D)	158	(D)	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	2,910	29	138	519	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	-	-	64	-	1,384
Other crops and hay	1,477	74	155	1,525	3,040
<b>Livestock, poultry, and products</b>	<b>285,525</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>3,073</b>
Poultry and eggs	278,829	2	158	22	3,007
Cattle and calves	6,002	14	158	1,590	3,055
Milk from cows	-	-	64	-	1,892
Hogs and pigs	(D)	11	129	(D)	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	70	19	153	1,506	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	248	13	145	831	2,970
Aquaculture	-	-	54	-	1,251
Other animals and animal products	(D)	63	141	(D)	2,878

Total Producers <sup>c</sup>

1,225

Sex

Male	790
Female	435

Age

<35	120
35 – 64	764
65 and older	341

Race

American Indian/Alaska Native	5
Asian	15
Black or African American	11
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-
White	1,191
More than one race	3

Other characteristics

Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	26
With military service	108
New and beginning farmers	496

Percent of farms that:

Have internet access **73**

Farm organically **(Z)**

Sell directly to consumers **5**

Hire farm labor **24**

Are family farms **97**

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

Forage (hay/haylage), all	15,330
Soybeans for beans	3,751
Corn for grain	2,823
Canola	(D)
Wheat for grain, all	(D)

Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)

Broilers and other meat-type chickens	12,869,517
Cattle and calves	18,616
Goats	859
Hogs and pigs	793
Horses and ponies	1,257
Layers	143,043
Pullets	348,464
Sheep and lambs	429
Turkeys	16

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 counties 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.