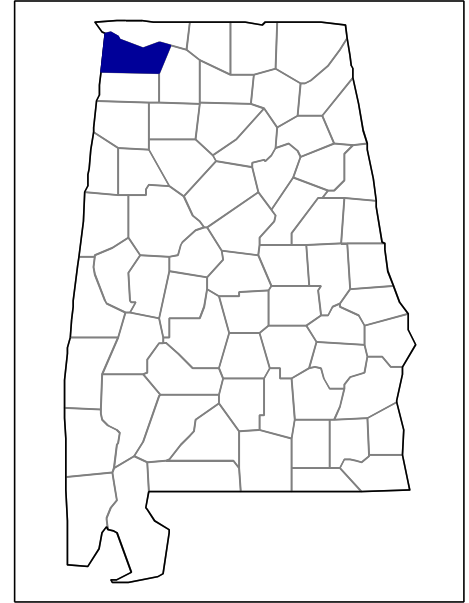




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Number of farms

584 farms in 2002, 688 farms in 1997, down 15 percent.

Land in farms

131,852 acres in 2002, 125,603 acres in 1997, up 5 percent.

Average size of farm

226 acres in 2002, 183 acres in 1997, up 23 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$34,602,000 in 2002, \$33,375,000 in 1997, up 4 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$11,131,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$23,471,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

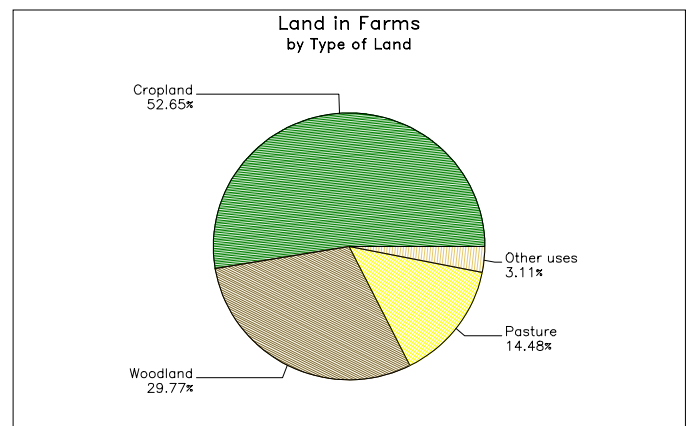
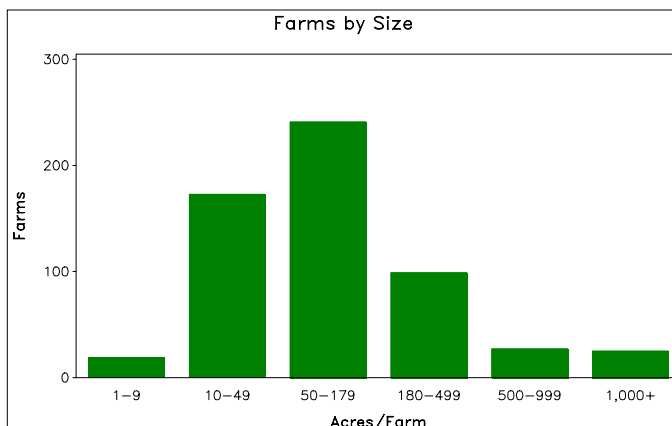
\$59,251 in 2002, \$48,510 in 1997, up 22 percent.

Government Payments

\$1,750,000 in 2002, \$1,145,000 in 1997, up 53 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$8,931 in 2002, \$7,789 in 1997, up 15 percent.



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Ranked items among the 67 state counties and 3,078 U.S. counties, 2002

Item	Quantity	State Rank	Universe ¹	U.S. Rank	Universe ¹
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)					
Total value of agricultural products sold	34,602	34	67	1,579	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	11,131	16	67	1,583	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	23,471	29	67	1,162	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	2,428	9	66	1,499	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	3	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	6,205	5	56	153	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	66	(D)	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	24	58	67	1,871	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	62	(D)	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	34	(D)	1,774
Other crops and hay	529	25	67	1,850	3,046
Poultry and eggs	20,453	26	66	302	2,918
Cattle and calves	2,793	50	67	1,949	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	(D)	54	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	4	49	66	2,581	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	21	23	66	1,862	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	182	29	67	1,197	3,014
Aquaculture	4	44	62	1,087	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	60	(D)	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	1,846,500	25	65	206	2,599
Layers 20 weeks old and older	43,743	27	67	527	2,983
Cattle and calves	16,307	41	67	1,660	3,059
Horses and ponies	975	25	67	1,320	3,065
All Goats	914	17	67	533	2,971
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
All Cotton	24,598	6	57	146	663
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	12,055	29	67	1,591	3,059
Corn for grain	6,334	7	67	1,188	2,592
All Wheat for grain	3,363	4	58	1,080	2,517
Soybeans	3,347	15	54	1,276	2,076

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	176
\$1,000 to \$2,499	82
\$2,500 to \$4,999	93
\$5,000 to \$9,999	86
\$10,000 to \$19,999	66
\$20,000 to \$24,999	8
\$25,000 to \$39,999	12
\$40,000 to \$49,999	6
\$50,000 to \$99,999	9
\$100,000 to \$249,999	9
\$250,000 to \$499,999	16
\$500,000 or more	21
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	28,629
Average per farm (\$)	49,361
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	11,221
Average per farm (\$)	19,347

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	279
Other	305
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	538
Female	46
Average age of principal operator (years)	55.9
All operators ² by race:	
White	763
Black or African American	13
American Indian or Alaska Native	3
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	-
More than one race	5
All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	3

(D) Cannot be disclosed. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown. See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

¹ Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item.

² Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.