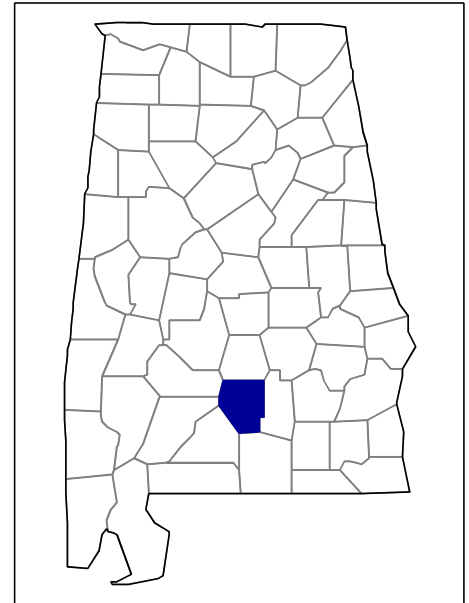


# 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

## Butler, Alabama



### Number of farms

425 farms in 2002, 534 farms in 1997, down 20 percent.

### Land in farms

83,408 acres in 2002, 109,767 acres in 1997, down 24 percent.

### Average size of farm

196 acres in 2002, 206 acres in 1997, down 5 percent.

### Market Value of Production

\$57,600,000 in 2002, \$31,861,000 in 1997, up 81 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$1,694,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$55,906,000 of the total value in 2002.

### Market Value of Production, average per farm

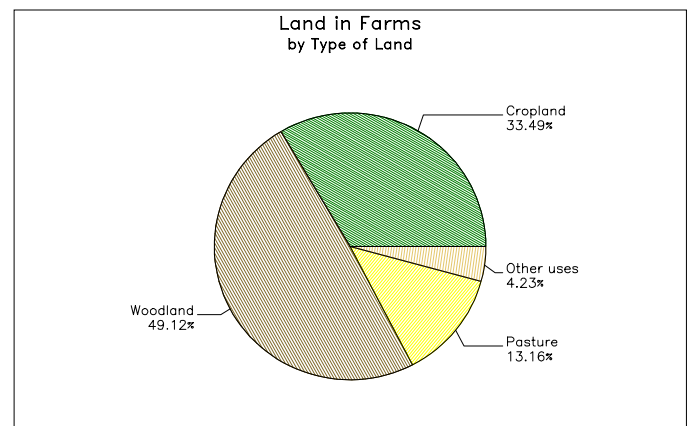
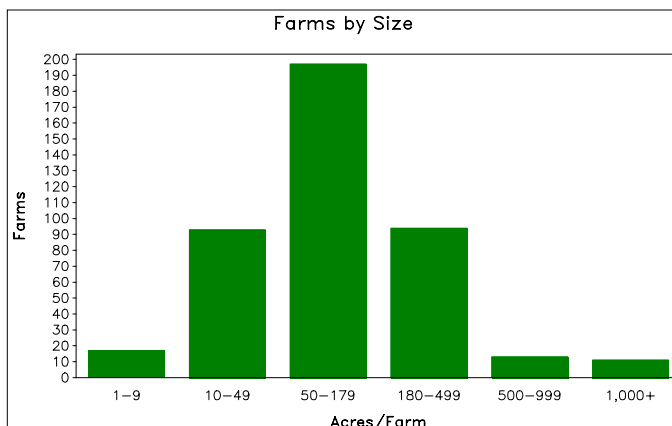
\$135,529 in 2002, \$59,666 in 1997, up 127 percent.

### Government Payments

\$470,000 in 2002, \$285,000 in 1997, up 65 percent.

### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$3,981 in 2002, \$2,934 in 1997, up 36 percent.



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

| Item  | Quantity  | State Rank | Universe <sup>1</sup> | U.S. Rank | Universe <sup>1</sup> |
|---|-----------|------------|-----------------------|-----------|-----------------------|
| <b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)</b>             |           |            |                       |           |                       |
| Total value of agricultural products sold                               | 57,600    | 19         | 67                    | 999       | 3,075                 |
| Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse                         | 1,694     | 44         | 67                    | 2,560     | 3,070                 |
| Value of livestock, poultry, and their products                         | 55,906    | 15         | 67                    | 487       | 3,070                 |
| <b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>                      |           |            |                       |           |                       |
| Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas                               | (D)       | (D)        | 66                    | (D)       | 2,871                 |
| Tobacco   | (D)       | (D)        | 3                     | (D)       | 560                   |
| Cotton and cottonseed   | (D)       | (D)        | 56                    | (D)       | 656                   |
| Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes                        | 200       | 25         | 66                    | 1,372     | 2,747                 |
| Fruits, tree nuts, and berries  | 133       | 32         | 67                    | 1,110     | 2,638                 |
| Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod                              | 90        | 49         | 62                    | 2,112     | 2,708                 |
| Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops                      | -         | -          | 34                    | -         | 1,774                 |
| Other crops and hay   | 407       | 41         | 67                    | 2,076     | 3,046                 |
| Poultry and eggs  | 52,425    | 14         | 66                    | 127       | 2,918                 |
| Cattle and calves   | 3,137     | 45         | 67                    | 1,878     | 3,053                 |
| Milk and other dairy products from cows                                 | -         | -          | 54                    | -         | 2,493                 |
| Hogs and pigs   | (D)       | (D)        | 66                    | (D)       | 2,919                 |
| Sheep, goats, and their products  | 11        | 44         | 66                    | 2,240     | 2,997                 |
| Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys                              | 85        | 41         | 67                    | 1,911     | 3,014                 |
| Aquaculture   | -         | -          | 62                    | -         | 1,520                 |
| Other animals and other animal products                                 | (D)       | (D)        | 60                    | (D)       | 2,727                 |
| <b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>                           |           |            |                       |           |                       |
| Broilers and other meat-type chickens                                   | 2,831,395 | 22         | 65                    | 143       | 2,599                 |
| Layers 20 weeks old and older   | 51,327    | 24         | 67                    | 507       | 2,983                 |
| Quail   | (D)       | 6          | 42                    | (D)       | 1,412                 |
| Cattle and calves   | 15,494    | 42         | 67                    | 1,711     | 3,059                 |
| Hogs and pigs   | 1,916     | 11         | 65                    | 1,145     | 2,926                 |
| <b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>   |           |            |                       |           |                       |
| Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop | 7,334     | 50         | 67                    | 2,028     | 3,059                 |
| Corn for grain  | 1,547     | 35         | 67                    | 1,653     | 2,592                 |
| Peanuts   | 1,534     | 13         | 29                    | 125       | 398                   |
| All Cotton  | (D)       | 41         | 57                    | (D)       | 663                   |
| Pecans  | 264       | 21         | 66                    | 289       | 1,194                 |

**Other County Highlights**

| Economic Characteristics                    | Quantity | Operator Characteristics  | Quantity |
|---|----------|---|----------|
| Farms by value of sales                     |          | Principal operators by primary occupation:                        |          |
| Less than \$1,000                           | 133      | Farming   | 205      |
| \$1,000 to \$2,499                          | 50       | Other   | 220      |
| \$2,500 to \$4,999                          | 72       |   |          |
| \$5,000 to \$9,999                          | 61       | Principal operators by sex:                                       |          |
| \$10,000 to \$19,999                        | 39       | Male  | 375      |
| \$20,000 to \$24,999                        | 8        | Female  | 50       |
| \$25,000 to \$39,999                        | 12       |   |          |
| \$40,000 to \$49,999                        | 1        | Average age of principal operator (years)                         | 58.9     |
| \$50,000 to \$99,999                        | 5        |   |          |
| \$100,000 to \$249,999                      | 12       | All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:                               |          |
| \$250,000 to \$499,999                      | 5        | White   | 513      |
| \$500,000 or more                           | 27       | Black or African American   | 52       |
| Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)    | 49,049   | American Indian or Alaska Native                                  | 3        |
| Average per farm (\$)                       | 114,870  | Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander                         | -        |
|   |          | Asian   | 1        |
| Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000) | 19,749   | More than one race  | 9        |
| Average per farm (\$)                       | 46,251   | All operators <sup>2</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin | 2        |

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

<sup>1</sup> Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item.

<sup>2</sup> Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.