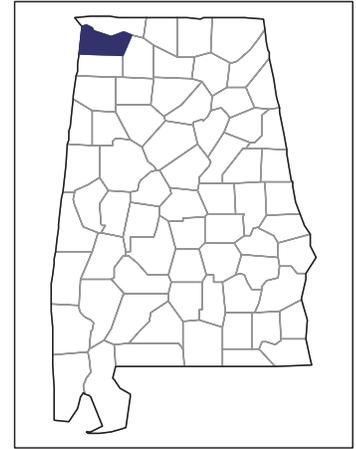


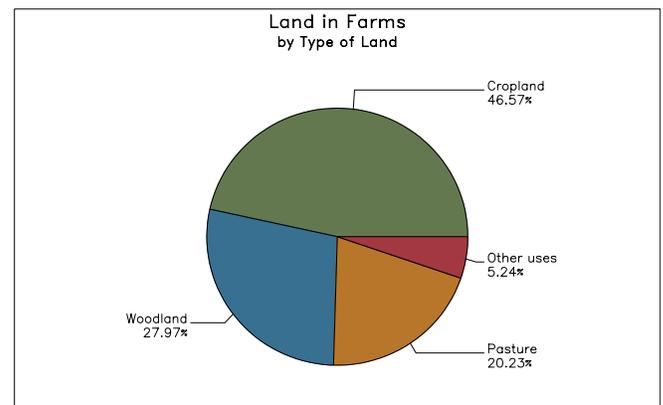
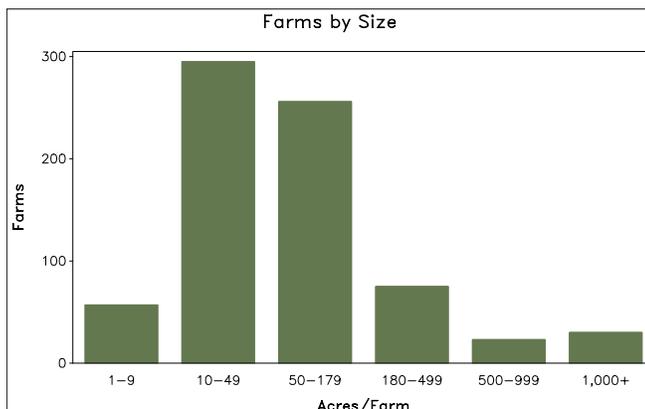
# 2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

## County Profile

### Colbert County Alabama



|  | 2007          | 2002          | % change |
|--|---------------|---------------|----------|
| <b>Number of Farms</b>                     | 736           | 584           | + 26     |
| <b>Land in Farms</b>                       | 128,905 acres | 131,852 acres | - 2      |
| <b>Average Size of Farm</b>                | 175 acres     | 226 acres     | - 23     |
| <b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>       | \$42,429,000  | \$34,602,000  | + 23     |
| Crop Sales \$9,612,000 (23 percent)        |               |               |          |
| Livestock Sales \$32,817,000 (77 percent)  |               |               |          |
| <b>Average Per Farm</b>                    | \$57,648      | \$59,251      | - 3      |
| <b>Government Payments</b>                 | \$2,843,000   | \$1,750,000   | + 62     |
| <b>Average Per Farm Receiving Payments</b> | \$10,647      | \$8,931       | + 19     |



# 2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

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### Colbert County – Alabama

#### Ranked items among the 67 state counties and 3,079 U.S. counties, 2007

| 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                               | 42,429    | 35         | 67                    | 1,711     | 3,076                 |
| Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse                         | 9,612     | 21         | 67                    | 1,885     | 3,072                 |
| Value of livestock, poultry, and their products                         | 32,817    | 31         | 67                    | 1,113     | 3,069                 |
| <b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>                      |           |            |                       |           |                       |
| Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas                               | 5,679     | 7          | 67                    | 1,438     | 2,933                 |
| Tobacco   | -         | -          | -                     | -         | 437                   |
| Cotton and cottonseed   | 2,455     | 16         | 51                    | 272       | 626                   |
| Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes                        | 150       | 37         | 67                    | 1,651     | 2,796                 |
| Fruits, tree nuts, and berries  | 64        | 50         | 67                    | 1,602     | 2,659                 |
| Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod                              | (D)       | (D)        | 62                    | (D)       | 2,703                 |
| Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops                      | (D)       | 6          | 30                    | (D)       | 1,710                 |
| Other crops and hay   | 827       | 39         | 67                    | 1,737     | 3,054                 |
| Poultry and eggs  | 28,010    | 30         | 67                    | 337       | 3,020                 |
| Cattle and calves   | 4,130     | 40         | 67                    | 1,843     | 3,054                 |
| Milk and other dairy products from cows                                 | (D)       | 45         | 51                    | (D)       | 2,493                 |
| Hogs and pigs   | (D)       | 13         | 65                    | (D)       | 2,922                 |
| Sheep, goats, and their products  | 39        | 28         | 67                    | 1,837     | 2,998                 |
| Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys                              | (D)       | (D)        | 67                    | (D)       | 3,024                 |
| Aquaculture   | (D)       | 55         | 56                    | (D)       | 1,498                 |
| Other animals and other animal products                                 | 8         | 37         | 64                    | 2,111     | 2,875                 |
| <b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>   |           |            |                       |           |                       |
| Corn for grain  | 18,269    | 5          | 67                    | 964       | 2,634                 |
| Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop | 12,675    | 22         | 67                    | 1,478     | 3,060                 |
| Cotton, all   | 11,521    | 14         | 51                    | 213       | 627                   |
| Soybeans for beans  | 2,831     | 17         | 55                    | 1,326     | 2,039                 |
| Wheat for grain, all  | 1,046     | 18         | 53                    | 1,610     | 2,481                 |
| <b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>                           |           |            |                       |           |                       |
| Broilers and other meat-type chickens                                   | 1,670,490 | 29         | 61                    | 234       | 2,476                 |
| Pullets for laying flock replacement                                    | 59,105    | 23         | 65                    | 309       | 2,627                 |
| Layers  | (D)       | 29         | 67                    | (D)       | 3,024                 |
| Cattle and calves   | 14,140    | 35         | 67                    | 1,718     | 3,060                 |
| Hogs and pigs   | (D)       | 14         | 64                    | (D)       | 2,958                 |

#### Other County Highlights

| Economic Characteristics                    | Quantity | Operator Characteristics  | Quantity |
|---|----------|---|----------|
| Farms by value of sales:                    |          | Principal operators by primary occupation:                        |          |
| Less than \$1,000                           | 285      | Farming   | 247      |
| \$1,000 to \$2,499                          | 101      | Other   | 489      |
| \$2,500 to \$4,999                          | 77       | Principal operators by sex:                                       |          |
| \$5,000 to \$9,999                          | 82       | Male  | 645      |
| \$10,000 to \$19,999                        | 91       | Female  | 91       |
| \$20,000 to \$24,999                        | 20       | Average age of principal operator (years)                         | 58.1     |
| \$25,000 to \$39,999                        | 21       | All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :                              |          |
| \$40,000 to \$49,999                        | 6        | American Indian or Alaska Native                                  | 24       |
| \$50,000 to \$99,999                        | 8        | Asian   | -        |
| \$100,000 to \$249,999                      | 7        | Black or African American   | 32       |
| \$250,000 to \$499,999                      | 10       | Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander                         | 1        |
| \$500,000 or more                           | 28       | White   | 949      |
| Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)    | 41,167   | More than one race  | 18       |
| Average per farm (\$)                       | 55,934   | All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup> | 3        |
| Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000) | 5,685    |   |          |
| Average per farm (\$)                       | 7,724    |   |          |

See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes, explanations, definitions, and methodology.

(D) Cannot be disclosed. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown.

<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.