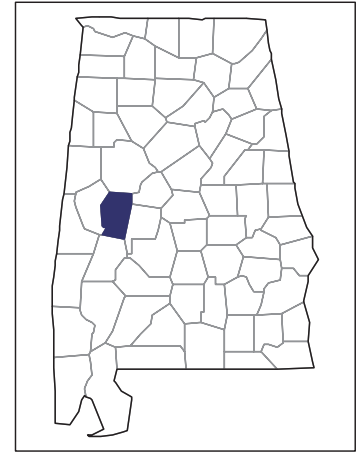


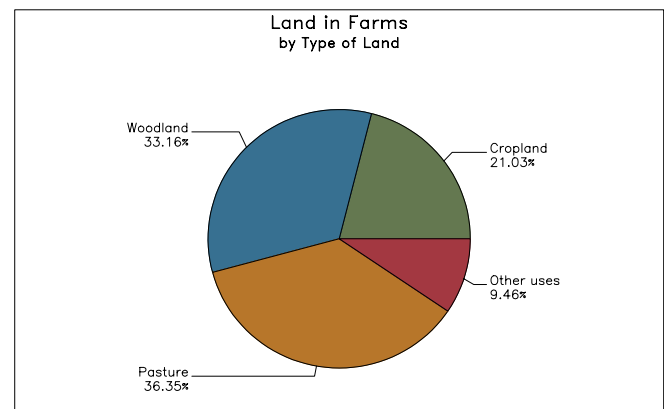
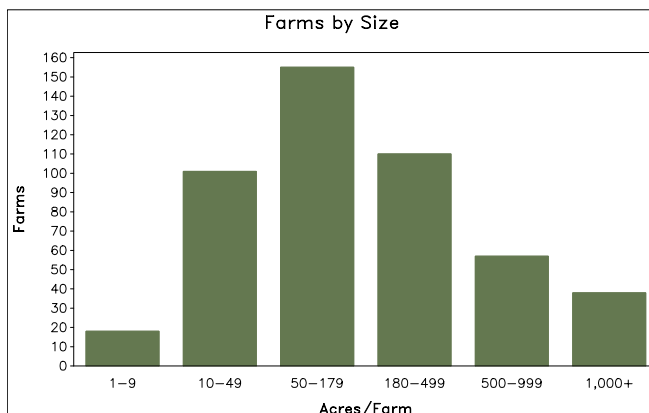
2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Hale County Alabama



| | 2007 | 2002 | % change |
|--------------------------------------|---------------|---------------|----------|
| Number of Farms | 479 | 433 | + 11 |
| Land in Farms | 169,287 acres | 160,536 acres | + 5 |
| Average Size of Farm | 353 acres | 371 acres | - 5 |
| Market Value of Products Sold | \$57,830,000 | \$44,367,000 | + 30 |
| Crop Sales (D) | | | |
| Livestock Sales (D) | | | |
| Average Per Farm | \$120,732 | \$102,465 | + 18 |
| Government Payments | \$1,200,000 | \$558,000 | + 115 |
| Average Per Farm Receiving Payments | \$6,489 | \$3,823 | + 70 |



2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Hale County – Alabama

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

| 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 | 57,830 | 29 | 67 | 1,428 | 3,076 |
| Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse | (D) | 42 | 67 | (D) | 3,072 |
| Value of livestock, poultry, and their products | (D) | 24 | 67 | 730 | 3,069 |
| VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000) | | | | | |
| Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas | 1,551 | 20 | 67 | 1,858 | 2,933 |
| Tobacco | - | - | - | - | 437 |
| Cotton and cottonseed | (D) | 50 | 51 | 588 | 626 |
| Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes | 55 | 58 | 67 | 2,095 | 2,796 |
| Fruits, tree nuts, and berries | (D) | (D) | 67 | (D) | 2,659 |
| Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod | (D) | (D) | 62 | (D) | 2,703 |
| Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops | - | - | 30 | - | 1,710 |
| Other crops and hay | 1,071 | 26 | 67 | 1,434 | 3,054 |
| Poultry and eggs | (D) | 49 | 67 | (D) | 3,020 |
| Cattle and calves | 10,301 | 11 | 67 | 1,170 | 3,054 |
| Milk and other dairy products from cows | (D) | 7 | 51 | (D) | 2,493 |
| Hogs and pigs | 7 | 39 | 65 | 2,370 | 2,922 |
| Sheep, goats, and their products | 4 | 63 | 67 | 2,810 | 2,998 |
| Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys | 39 | 55 | 67 | 2,355 | 3,024 |
| Aquaculture | 41,363 | 1 | 56 | 4 | 1,498 |
| Other animals and other animal products | (D) | 59 | 64 | (D) | 2,875 |
| TOP CROP ITEMS (acres) | | | | | |
| Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop | 13,187 | 20 | 67 | 1,437 | 3,060 |
| Soybeans for beans | 3,195 | 15 | 55 | 1,298 | 2,039 |
| Corn for grain | 2,670 | 27 | 67 | 1,607 | 2,634 |
| Wheat for grain, all | 742 | 23 | 53 | 1,726 | 2,481 |
| Peanuts for nuts | (D) | 20 | 29 | (D) | 347 |
| TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number) | | | | | |
| Broilers and other meat-type chickens | (D) | 46 | 61 | (D) | 2,476 |
| Cattle and calves | 21,669 | 18 | 67 | 1,349 | 3,060 |
| Layers | 1,104 | 43 | 67 | 1,543 | 3,024 |
| Pullets for laying flock replacement | (D) | 33 | 65 | (D) | 2,627 |
| Horses and ponies | 542 | 57 | 67 | 2,160 | 3,066 |

Other County Highlights

| Economic Characteristics | Quantity | Operator Characteristics | Quantity |
|---|----------|---|----------|
| Farms by value of sales: | | Principal operators by primary occupation: | |
| Less than \$1,000 | 164 | Farming | 216 |
| \$1,000 to \$2,499 | 56 | Other | 263 |
| \$2,500 to \$4,999 | 50 | | |
| \$5,000 to \$9,999 | 55 | Principal operators by sex: | |
| \$10,000 to \$19,999 | 36 | Male | 424 |
| \$20,000 to \$24,999 | 17 | Female | 55 |
| \$25,000 to \$39,999 | 19 | | |
| \$40,000 to \$49,999 | 2 | Average age of principal operator (years) | 57.5 |
| \$50,000 to \$99,999 | 21 | | |
| \$100,000 to \$249,999 | 11 | All operators by race ² : | |
| \$250,000 to \$499,999 | 18 | American Indian or Alaska Native | 2 |
| \$500,000 or more | 30 | Asian | - |
| Total farm production expenses (\$1,000) | 53,126 | Black or African American | 159 |
| Average per farm (\$) | 110,909 | Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander | - |
| | | White | 471 |
| Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000) | 8,276 | More than one race | 9 |
| Average per farm (\$) | 17,279 | All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ² | 4 |

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.

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.