



Walker County Alabama

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

| | 2017 | % change since 2012 |
|---|-------------|---------------------|
| Number of farms | 501 | +4 |
| Land in farms (acres) | 64,983 | +19 |
| Average size of farm (acres) | 130 | +15 |
| Total | (\$) | |
| Market value of products sold | 55,074,000 | +66 |
| Government payments | 431,000 | +310 |
| Farm-related income | 1,197,000 | +77 |
| Total farm production expenses | 39,973,000 | +38 |
| Net cash farm income | 16,730,000 | +236 |
| Per farm average | (\$) | |
| Market value of products sold | 109,929 | +60 |
| Government payments (average per farm receiving) | 5,457 | +19 |
| Farm-related income | 7,437 | +39 |
| Total farm production expenses | 79,786 | +33 |
| Net cash farm income | 33,393 | +224 |

1 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

| | |
|----------------------------------|----|
| Crops | 8 |
| Livestock, poultry, and products | 92 |

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

| | |
|-------------|----|
| Cropland | 25 |
| Pastureland | 26 |
| Woodland | 43 |
| Other | 6 |

Acres irrigated: 113

(Z)% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

| | |
|----------------|---|
| No till | 4 |
| Reduced till | 1 |
| Intensive till | 6 |
| Cover crop | 3 |

Farms by Value of Sales

| | Number | Percent of Total ^a |
|----------------------|--------|-------------------------------|
| Less than \$2,500 | 239 | 48 |
| \$2,500 to \$4,999 | 66 | 13 |
| \$5,000 to \$9,999 | 80 | 16 |
| \$10,000 to \$24,999 | 40 | 8 |
| \$25,000 to \$49,999 | 22 | 4 |
| \$50,000 to \$99,999 | 15 | 3 |
| \$100,000 or more | 39 | 8 |

Farms by Size

| | Number | Percent of Total ^a |
|------------------|--------|-------------------------------|
| 1 to 9 acres | 62 | 12 |
| 10 to 49 acres | 188 | 38 |
| 50 to 179 acres | 175 | 35 |
| 180 to 499 acres | 50 | 10 |
| 500 to 999 acres | 16 | 3 |
| 1,000 + acres | 10 | 2 |

Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold

| | Sales (\$1,000) | Rank in State ^b | Counties Producing Item | Rank in U.S. ^b | Counties Producing Item |
|--|-----------------|----------------------------|-------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|
| Total | 55,074 | 38 | 67 | 1,674 | 3,077 |
| Crops | 4,376 | 50 | 67 | 2,423 | 3,073 |
| Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas | 484 | 51 | 67 | 2,265 | 2,916 |
| Tobacco | - | - | - | - | 323 |
| Cotton and cottonseed | (D) | 52 | 56 | 484 | 647 |
| Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes | 111 | 50 | 67 | 1,514 | 2,821 |
| Fruits, tree nuts, berries | (D) | 52 | 65 | (D) | 2,748 |
| Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod | 2,705 | 18 | 59 | 547 | 2,601 |
| Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops | (D) | 21 | 33 | (D) | 1,384 |
| Other crops and hay | 883 | 56 | 67 | 1,981 | 3,040 |
| Livestock, poultry, and products | 50,698 | 29 | 67 | 931 | 3,073 |
| Poultry and eggs | 47,828 | 26 | 67 | 260 | 3,007 |
| Cattle and calves | 2,497 | 55 | 67 | 2,060 | 3,055 |
| Milk from cows | (D) | 17 | 38 | (D) | 1,892 |
| Hogs and pigs | 10 | 29 | 64 | 1,571 | 2,856 |
| Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk | 60 | 25 | 67 | 1,627 | 2,984 |
| Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys | 140 | 29 | 67 | 1,217 | 2,970 |
| Aquaculture | - | - | 41 | - | 1,251 |
| Other animals and animal products | (D) | (D) | 66 | (D) | 2,878 |

Total Producers ^c

| | |
|------------|------------|
| Sex | 755 |
| Male | 482 |
| Female | 273 |

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|--------------|------------|
| Age | 755 |
| <35 | 83 |
| 35 – 64 | 380 |
| 65 and older | 292 |

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|----------------------------------|------------|
| Race | 755 |
| American Indian/Alaska Native | 9 |
| Asian | 6 |
| Black or African American | 1 |
| Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander | - |
| White | 728 |
| More than one race | 11 |

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|----------------------------------|------------|
| Other characteristics | 755 |
| Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin | 8 |
| With military service | 94 |
| New and beginning farmers | 194 |

Percent of farms that:

Have internet access **67**

Farm organically **-**

Sell directly to consumers **2**

Hire farm labor **19**

Are family farms **98**

Top Crops in Acres ^d

| | |
|---------------------------|--------|
| Forage (hay/haylage), all | 10,714 |
| Soybeans for beans | 1,055 |
| Corn for grain | 522 |
| Cotton, all | (D) |
| Vegetables harvested, all | 57 |

Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)

| | |
|---------------------------------------|-----------|
| Broilers and other meat-type chickens | 2,510,960 |
| Cattle and calves | 11,069 |
| Goats | 490 |
| Hogs and pigs | 125 |
| Horses and ponies | 694 |
| Layers | (D) |
| Pullets | 584 |
| Sheep and lambs | 191 |
| Turkeys | 13 |

See 2017 Census of Agriculture, U.S. Summary and State Data, for complete footnotes, explanations, definitions, commodity descriptions, and methodology.

^a May not add to 100% due to rounding. ^b Among counties whose rank can be displayed. ^c Data collected for a maximum of four producers per farm.

^d Crop commodity names may be shortened; see full names at www.nass.usda.gov/go/cropnames.pdf. ^e 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.