Early County
Georgia

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	321	-4
Land in farms (acres)	167,576	-1
Average size of farm (acres)	522	+3
Total	($)	
Market value of products sold	59,265,000	-31
Government payments	4,866,000	+12
Farm-related income	3,797,000	-25
Total farm production expenses	59,828,000	-6
Net cash farm income	8,099,000	-75
Per farm average	($)	
Market value of products sold	184,628	-29
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	20,359	+14
Farm-related income	24,977	-28
Total farm production expenses	186,381	-3
Net cash farm income	25,232	-74

1 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	92
Livestock, poultry, and products	8

Land in Farms by Use (%) [a]

Cropland	48
Pastureland	5
Woodland	38
Other	9

Acres irrigated: 32,231

19% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	11
Reduced till	12
Intensive till	31
Cover crop	11

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total [a]
Less than $2,500	125	39
$2,500 to $4,999	24	7
$5,000 to $9,999	32	10
$10,000 to $24,999	34	11
$25,000 to $49,999	15	5
$50,000 to $99,999	25	8
$100,000 or more	66	21

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total [a]
1 to 9 acres	7	2
10 to 49 acres	40	12
50 to 179 acres	124	39
180 to 499 acres	71	22
500 to 999 acres	23	7
1,000 + acres	56	17

2017 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE *County Profile*

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	**59,265**	**55**	**159**	**1,618**	**3,077**
Crops	**54,318**	**20**	**159**	**1,039**	**3,073**
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	6,192	14	148	1,563	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	25	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	19,264	14	90	96	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	157	(D)	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	205	76	158	1,007	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	1,136	54	138	813	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	(D)	35	64	(D)	1,384
Other crops and hay	27,305	6	155	81	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	**4,948**	**103**	**159**	**2,446**	**3,073**
Poultry and eggs	(D)	103	158	(D)	3,007
Cattle and calves	(D)	39	158	1,913	3,055
Milk from cows	-	-	64	-	1,892
Hogs and pigs	(D)	67	129	(D)	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	48	39	153	1,773	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	27	73	145	2,071	2,970
Aquaculture	-	-	54	-	1,251
Other animals and animal products	-	-	141	-	2,878

Total Producers [c]	**501**
Sex	
Male	349
Female	152
Age	
<35	32
35 – 64	263
65 and older	206
Race	
American Indian/Alaska Native	3
Asian	2
Black or African American	57
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-
White	437
More than one race	2
Other characteristics	
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	1
With military service	87
New and beginning farmers	168

Percent of farms that:

Have internet access	**74**
Farm organically	**-**
Sell directly to consumers	**(Z)**
Hire farm labor	**31**
Are family farms	**94**

Top Crops in Acres [d]

Cotton, all	29,753
Peanuts for nuts	26,133
Corn for grain	6,131
Forage (hay/haylage), all	3,219
Wheat for grain, all	2,257

Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)

Broilers and other meat-type chickens	-
Cattle and calves	8,480
Goats	296
Hogs and pigs	(D)
Horses and ponies	338
Layers	(D)
Pullets	90
Sheep and lambs	175
Turkeys	-

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.