Calhoun County Agriculture, Forestry, and Related Industries

Total Impacts: $883.5 Million and 10,537 Jobs

Total Production

In 2010, $168.1 million was generated through the county’s agricultural and forestry production sector.

Agricultural Production

Poultry and egg production was the largest agricultural commodity, contributing 53.4 percent of the county’s total agricultural and forestry production.

Calhoun County ranked fifth in the state in greenhouse, nursery, and floriculture production. It contributed 9.8 percent of the county’s total agricultural and forestry production, making it the second largest agricultural commodity.

The third largest was cattle, which contributed 4.1 percent of the county’s total agricultural and forestry production.

Total Land Area: 389,414 acres

Farmland: 76,440 acres

Timberland: 197,400 acres

Number of Farms: 735

Population: 117,797

Total Employment: 63,701 jobs

Total Economic Activity: $7.5 billion

Top Industry Groups:

- Manufacturing
- Government-related Services
- Agriculture, Forestry, and Related Industries

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<th>Commodity</th>
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* Value Added is the value that is added to a product at the stage of its manufacture or distribution.
Forestry Production

Timberland accounted for 50.7 percent of the surface land area of Calhoun County. Total forestry production contributed 19.8 percent of the county’s total agricultural and forestry production.

Overall Contributions to Calhoun County

Calhoun County’s agricultural, forestry, and related industries generated 10,537 full- and part-time jobs, representing 16.5 percent of the county’s total workforce (63,701 jobs).

The total impact of agriculture, forestry, and related industries was $883.5 million, which was 11.8 percent of the county’s total economic activity ($7.5 billion). The indirect business taxes impact was $48.3 million, 18.0 percent of the county’s total indirect business taxes.

For more information, visit the Calhoun County Extension office online at www.aces.edu/Cahoun. Look in your telephone directory under Calhoun County to find the telephone number.

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