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Bacon County

County farm gate value:

\$225,018,149.41

Top commodities:

Blueberries
Layers
Broilers

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Research and education are the foundation of agricultural innovation, and the University of Georgia Cooperative Extension plays an important role in connecting university research with the needs of local communities. In Bacon County, the Extension office supports growers, producers and homeowners by providing unbiased, research-based information that guides sound management decisions. From diagnosing plant diseases to recommending pest and crop management strategies, the office serves as a trusted source of science-based guidance. A key focus is helping producers accurately identify pests and understand economic thresholds so they know when treatment is truly necessary. This approach helps protect crop yields while reducing unnecessary pesticide applications, lowering production costs and preserving pollinators and beneficial insects that are essential to agricultural ecosystems.

Local research is especially important for specialty crops such as blueberries, a major component of agriculture in South Georgia. The Bacon County Agriculture and Natural Resources agent utilizes both on-farm research trials and the Bacon County Blueberry Research and Demonstration Farm to understand plant physiology, disease and insects and how they affect blueberry production. Results are shared through field days and workshops so growers can see new practices in action and adopt innovations that improve efficiency and profitability. Agriculture in Bacon County generates over \$400 million, with over 1,800 jobs in our community, making continued research, education and outreach essential for the long-term success of the region's farming community.

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