

**Geographic Characteristics**

State land area (sq. mi): 50,744	% of U.S.: 1.43
Coastline (mi): 53	Shoreline (mi): 607
County equivalents: 61	Coastal: 8
	Marine: 2

**2000 Sex by Age: State of Alabama and Average of Selected Fishing Communities**

	Total	M	Under 5	5 to 14	15 to 24	25 to 34	35 to 44	45 to 54	55 to 64	65 to 74	75 to 84	85 and over
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<b>Alabama</b>	4,447,100	48.3%	6.7%	14.3%	14.2%	13.6%	15.4%	13.5%	9.4%	7.1%	4.4%	1.5%
Fishing Communities	227,399	49.3%	6.8%	14.7%	13.7%	12.8%	15.1%	13.6%	10.0%	7.7%	4.6%	1.1%
		50.7%										

**2000 Race and Hispanic/Latino Ethnicity: Alabama and Average of Selected Fishing Communities**

	Total Population	Race							Ethnicity
		White	Black or African American	American Indian and Alaska Native	Asian	Native Hawaiian and other Pacific Islander	Some other race	Two or more races	% Hispanic or Latino (of any race)
<b>Alabama</b>	4,447,100	71.1%	26.0%	0.5%	0.7%	0.0%	0.7%	1.0%	1.7%
Fishing Communities	227,399	75.1%	14.8%	0.6%	7.3%	0.1%	0.5%	1.5%	1.6%

**2000 Demographic Attributes: Selected Fishing Communities compared to State Total**

Fishing Communities	Total Population	Median Household Income	% Family Households below Poverty Level	% Persons over 16 in Labor Force	Median Educational Attainment	% ≥5 yrs Speak Language other than English at Home
<b>Alabama</b>	4,447,100	\$34,135	12.5%	59.7%	Some college	3.9%
Bayou La Batre	2,313	\$24,539	22.9%	53.7%	HS graduate	29.1%
Bon Secour <sup>1</sup>	1,803	\$39,120	11.3%	65.3%	Some college	NA <sup>2</sup>
Coden <sup>3</sup>	1,318	\$24,750	24.3%	50.0%	HS graduate	NA <sup>2</sup>
Dauphin Island	1,371	\$44,219	6.0%	59.5%	Some college	4.7%
Foley	7,590	\$31,596	7.1%	57.0%	Some college	5.7%
Grand Bay	3,918	\$38,941	6.9%	57.9%	HS graduate	2.3%
Irvington <sup>4</sup>	1,750	\$26,310	18.0%	60.6%	HS graduate	NA <sup>2</sup>
Lillian <sup>5</sup>	1,610	\$35,813	14.6%	59.8%	Some college	NA <sup>2</sup>
Mobile	198,915	\$31,445	17.9%	58.7%	Some college	5.4%
Theodore	6,811	\$33,750	16.3%	58.6%	HS graduate	2.8%

**Indicators for Growth, Marine Health, and Population Well-being in Alabama**

Indicator	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
Population <sup>6</sup>	4,320,281	4,351,037	4,369,862	4,447,100	4,466,618	4,477,571	4,495,089	4,517,442	4,548,327	4,599,030
Building Permits	17,732	20,533	19,029	17,406	17,706	18,403	22,256	27,411	30,612	32,034
Unemployment Rate	4.4	3.9	4.3	4.1	4.7	5.4	5.4	5.1	3.9	3.5
Disaster Declarations	1	3	1	3	2	2	1	1	2	0
Emergency Declarations	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0

<sup>1</sup>Census data for Bon Secour was identified as Block Group 4, Census Tract 114.01 in Baldwin County.<sup>2</sup>NA = data not available.<sup>3</sup>Census data for Coden was identified as Block Group 1, Census Tract 73 in Mobile County.<sup>4</sup>Census data for Irvington was identified as Block Group 1, Census Tract 67 in Mobile County.<sup>5</sup>Census data for Lillian was identified as Block Group 4, Census Tract 116 in Baldwin County.<sup>6</sup>Estimated population for all years except 2000; actual count was available for this year.