About half of the peanuts grown in the United States are harvested within a 100-mile radius of the city of Dothan in south Alabama. Alabama is the third top peanut producer in the United States, and on average, 400 million pounds of peanuts are harvested annually in Alabama. That’s a lot of peanuts!

Each October, Dothan, the “Peanut Capitol of the World,” hosts the National Peanut Festival. It draws over 120,000 visitors. Peanuts can be served boiled, raw, candied or mixed into a dessert. Peanut oil is used in making sauces and other foods such as noodles, but the most popular way to serve peanuts is buttered between two pieces of bread with jelly.

**Did you know?**
It takes about 540 peanuts to make a 12-ounce jar of peanut butter.