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Alabama's historic place and is the State Historic Preservation Office.

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MOBILE COUNTY PROPERTY ADDED TO NATIONAL REGISTER

The Automobile Alley Historic District in Mobile was listed in the National Register of Historic Places on June 22, 2016.



The Automobile Alley Historic District is listed for its significance as the focal point for the automobile industry in Mobile, Alabama for approximately fifty years.

This historic district was originally a residential area with few commercial shops interspersed throughout, but as the popularity of the automobile grew across the country, specifically in Mobile, dealerships popped up along St. Louis Street.

After WWII, the area was dominated by automobile-related industries. As dealership inventories grew, more car lot space was needed, which resulted in the demolition of old residences.

Many of the buildings in this district retain elements of Art Deco and other Modernist styles popular during the twentieth century and specifically in the automobile industry.

The National Register of Historic Places is the nation's official list of cultural resources, 50 years or older, worthy of preservation. Authorized under the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966, the National Register is part of a nationwide program to coordinate and support public and private efforts to identify, evaluate, and protect our historic and archaeological places.

A [list of Alabama properties in the National Register](#) is available alphabetically by county

About the Alabama Historical Commission

Located in historic downtown Montgomery at 468 S. Perry Street, the Alabama Historical Commission is the historic preservation agency for the State of Alabama. The agency was created by an act of the state legislature in 1966 with a mission of safeguarding Alabama's historic buildings and sites. The Commission is tasked with the acquisition and preservation of historic properties and educating the public about historic sites in Alabama. For a complete list of historic sites, hours of operation, and admission fees please visit www.ahc.alabama.gov

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