

1997 Census of Agriculture State Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Texas Agricultural Statistics Service



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Land in farms

Increased slightly from 130,886,608 acres in 1992 to 131,308,286 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased 7 percent from 725 acres in 1992 to 676 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 3 percent from 85,937 farms in 1992 to 83,284 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

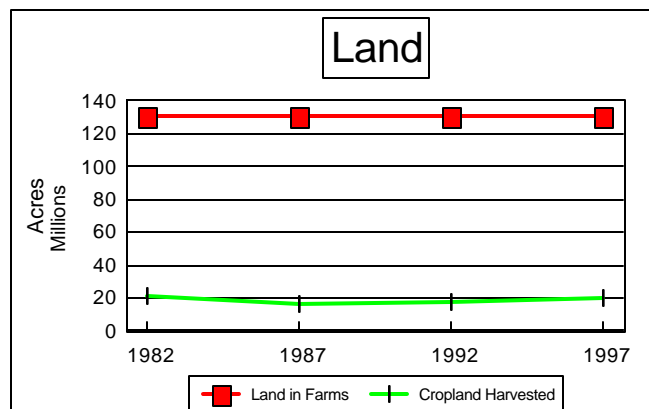
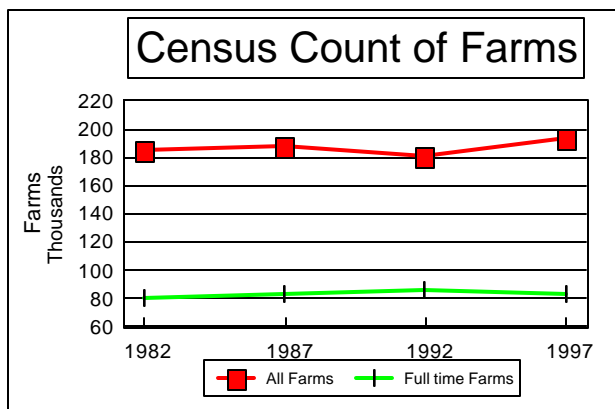
Increased 15 percent to \$13,766,527,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 31 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 69 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 7 percent from \$66,453 in 1992 to \$70,852 in 1997.



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Ranked Items Within U.S., 1997

Item	Quantity	U.S.	
		Rank	Universe*
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)			
Total value of agricultural products sold	13,766,527	2	50
Value of livestock and poultry	9,473,054	1	50
Value of crops including nursery	4,293,474	5	50
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)			
Cattle and calves	7,252,079	1	50
Cotton, cottonseed	1,477,725	1	18
Poultry & poultry products	1,144,826	7	50
Dairy products	738,585	6	50
Corn for grain	568,859	10	48
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)			
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	388,114,496	6	50
Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold	19,513,695	6	50
Cattle and calves sold	13,028,674	1	50
Turkeys sold	12,766,535	9	49
Sheep and lambs sold	1,098,390	2	50
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)			
Broiler inventory	66,603,544	6	50
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	17,200,764	6	50
Cattle and calves inventory	14,532,814	1	50
All turkeys inventory	5,354,160	7	50
Pullets 13 to less than 20 weeks inventory	2,983,485	7	50
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA			
Cotton-acres	5,221,561	1	18
Hay crops-acres	4,277,199	1	50
Wheat-acres	3,860,325	5	46
Sorghum for grain-acres	3,041,937	2	41
Corn for grain-acres	1,656,229	12	48

Other State Summary Highlights

Item	1997	1992	Percent Change
Farms by value of sales:			
Less than \$10,000	129,322	110,519	17
\$10,000 or more	64,979	70,125	-7
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	11,636,594	10,431,343	12
Average per farmdollars..	59,894	57,745	4
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	1,988,349	1,485,658	34
Average per farmdollars..	10,234	8,224	24
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	170,640	158,121	8
Partnership or corporation	22,045	21,075	5
Other	1,616	1,448	12
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	83,284	85,937	-3
Other	111,017	94,707	17
Operators by sex:			
Male	173,889	164,014	6
Female	20,412	16,630	23
Operators by race:			
White	186,439	174,643	7
Black and other races	7,862	6,001	31
Average age of operator	56.6	56.1	1

(D) Cannot be disclosed. See "Census of Agriculture Volume 1 Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.
 * Universe is number of states in U.S. with item.