

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Texas Agricultural Statistics Service



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Land in farms

Increased 9 percent from 383,573 acres in 1992 to 417,146 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 9 percent from 364 acres in 1992 to 397 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 10 percent from 455 farms in 1992 to 410 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

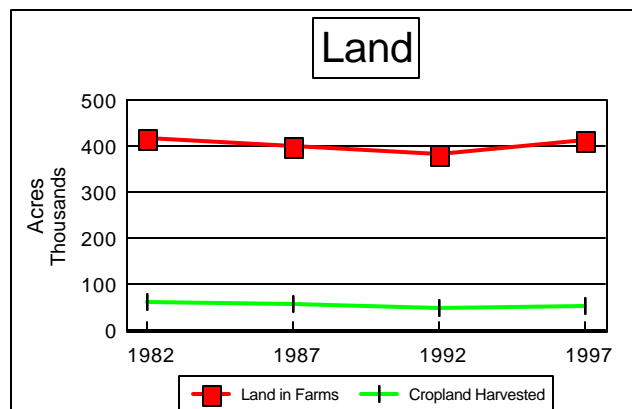
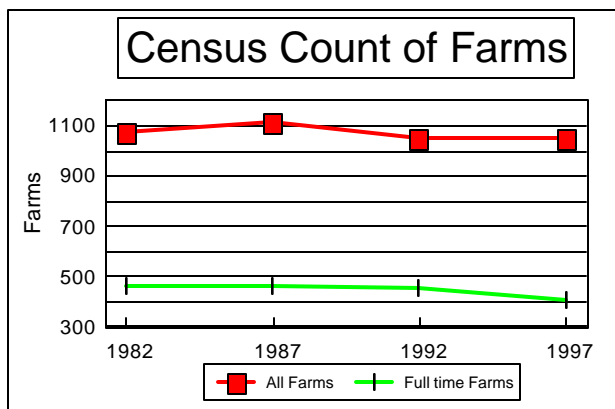
Decreased 11 percent to \$15,890,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 24 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 76 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Decreased 10 percent from \$16,879 in 1992 to \$15,119 in 1997.



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Ranked Items Within State and U.S., 1997

| Item | Quantity | State | | U.S. | |
|---|----------|-------|-----------|-------|-----------|
| | | Rank | Universe* | Rank | Universe* |
| MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000) | | | | | |
| Total value of agricultural products sold | 15,890 | 178 | 254 | 2,258 | 3,076 |
| Value of livestock and poultry | 12,132 | 149 | 254 | 1,696 | 3,069 |
| Value of crops including nursery | 3,758 | 171 | 252 | 2,266 | 3,070 |
| TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000) | | | | | |
| Cattle and calves | 10,734 | 131 | 254 | 839 | 3,063 |
| Corn for grain | 1,364 | 56 | 160 | 1,229 | 2,582 |
| Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds | 705 | 90 | 250 | 1,282 | 3,043 |
| Grain sorghum | 695 | 87 | 208 | 276 | 1,275 |
| Dairy products | 494 | 88 | 176 | 1,758 | 2,563 |
| TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number) | | | | | |
| Cattle and calves sold | 28,372 | 121 | 254 | 679 | 3,063 |
| Layers, pullets, and pullet chicks sold | (D) | 43 | 146 | 830 | 2,203 |
| Rabbits and their pelts sold | (D) | 2 | 123 | 42 | 1,593 |
| Hogs and pigs sold | 4,564 | 22 | 242 | 1,259 | 2,976 |
| Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold | (D) | 70 | 180 | 836 | 2,200 |
| TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number) | | | | | |
| Cattle and calves inventory | 67,354 | 72 | 254 | 357 | 3,064 |
| Layers 20 weeks and older inventory | (D) | 41 | 245 | 791 | 3,002 |
| Hogs and pigs inventory | 1,876 | 39 | 246 | 1,377 | 3,005 |
| All goat inventory | 1,627 | 77 | 247 | 115 | 2,983 |
| Rabbit inventory | (D) | 8 | 170 | 86 | 2,456 |
| TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA | | | | | |
| Hay crops-acres | 32,353 | 46 | 253 | 612 | 3,061 |
| Sorghum for grain-acres | 9,262 | 82 | 219 | 223 | 1,508 |
| Corn for grain-acres | 8,697 | 46 | 178 | 1,123 | 2,691 |
| Wheat-acres | 5,495 | 101 | 211 | 1,011 | 2,612 |
| Sunflower seed-acres | 755 | 13 | 61 | 194 | 674 |

Some counties do not have five commodities in a group.

Other County Summary Highlights

| Item | 1997 | 1992 | Percent Change |
|--|---------|--------|----------------|
| Farms by value of sales: | | | |
| Less than \$10,000 | 742 | 666 | 11 |
| \$10,000 or more | 309 | 387 | -20 |
| Total farm production expenses\$1,000.. | 15,411 | 14,623 | 5 |
| Average per farmdollars.. | 14,663 | 13,900 | 5 |
| Net cash return from agricultural sales | | | |
| for the farm unit\$1,000.. | (1,584) | 1,726 | -192 |
| Average per farmdollars.. | (1,507) | 1,641 | -192 |
| Farms by type of organization: | | | |
| Individual or family | 912 | 922 | -1 |
| Partnership or corporation | 126 | 119 | 6 |
| Other | 13 | 12 | 8 |
| OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS | | | |
| Operators by principal occupation: | | | |
| Farming | 410 | 455 | -10 |
| Other | 641 | 598 | 7 |
| Operators by sex: | | | |
| Male | 926 | 931 | -1 |
| Female | 125 | 122 | 2 |
| Operators by race: | | | |
| White | 1,022 | 1,028 | -1 |
| Black and other races | 29 | 25 | 16 |
| Average age of operator | 58.0 | 57.2 | 1 |

(D) Cannot be disclosed. See "Census of Agriculture Volume 1 Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

* Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item.