

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Texas Agricultural Statistics Service



KERR TEXAS

Land in farms

Increased 3 percent from 531,206 acres in 1992 to 547,882 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased 14 percent from 816 acres in 1992 to 704 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Increased 8 percent from 278 farms in 1992 to 301 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

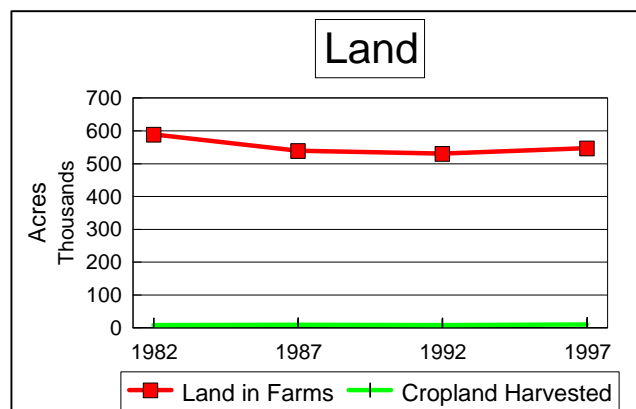
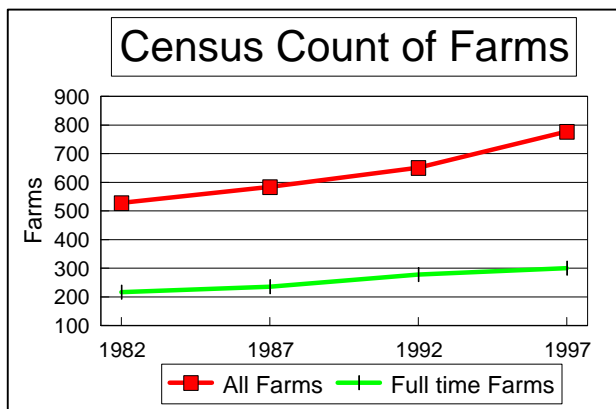
Decreased 16 percent to \$7,192,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 15 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 85 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Decreased 29 percent from \$13,085 in 1992 to \$9,244 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	7,192	223	254	2,654	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	6,139	202	254	2,232	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	1,053	209	252	2,715	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Cattle and calves	3,547	218	254	1,740	3,063
All other livestock & products	801	3	144	58	1,649
Sheep, lambs, and wool	675	25	238	166	2,787
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	565	109	250	1,490	3,043
Horses and ponies	395	42	254	367	3,015
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Cattle and calves sold	9,620	213	254	1,636	3,063
Sheep and lambs sold	9,255	25	235	137	2,765
All goats sold	8,951	14	243	14	2,686
Rabbits and their pelts sold	(D)	5	123	83	1,593
Hogs and pigs sold	724	98	242	1,917	2,976
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	21,057	197	254	1,493	3,064
All goat inventory	19,082	19	247	19	2,983
Sheep and lamb inventory	16,883	25	244	91	2,864
Horse and pony inventory	1,251	60	254	528	3,066
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	980	85	223	705	2,884
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Hay crops-acres	8,006	147	253	1,908	3,061
Wheat-acres	755	157	211	1,753	2,612
Land in orchards-acres	724	68	236	385	2,693
Oats-acres	354	75	185	1,146	2,332
Sorghum for grain-acres	(D)	196	219	941	1,508

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	615	502	23
\$10,000 or more	163	149	9
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	9,506	8,915	7
Average per farmdollars..	12,203	13,715	-11
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	(2,009)	(759)	-165
Average per farmdollars..	(2,579)	(1,168)	-121
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	647	549	18
Partnership or corporation	118	91	30
Other	13	11	18
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	301	278	8
Other	477	373	28
Operators by sex:			
Male	659	570	16
Female	119	81	47
Operators by race:			
White	768	648	19
Black and other races	10	3	233
Average age of operator	58.5	58.3	0

(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.