

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Texas Agricultural Statistics Service



LA SALLE TEXAS

Land in farms

Decreased 31 percent from 766,037 acres in 1992 to 526,978 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased 36 percent from 2,935 acres in 1992 to 1,882 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 9 percent from 134 farms in 1992 to 122 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

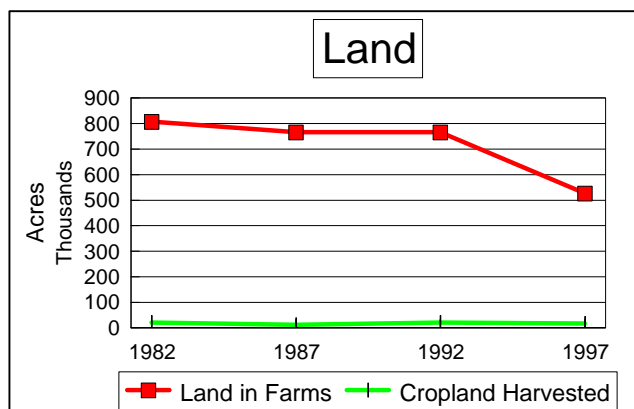
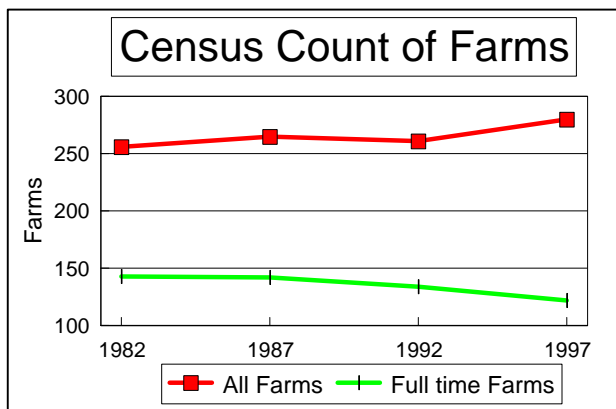
Increased 57 percent to \$18,689,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 22 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 78 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 47 percent from \$45,521 in 1992 to \$66,747 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	18,689	170	254	2,159	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	14,566	132	254	1,536	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	4,123	162	252	2,222	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Cattle and calves	13,994	106	254	656	3,063
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	1,904	27	206	371	2,739
Other crops: potatoes, peanuts, etc	1,345	31	172	426	2,237
Dairy products	(D)	99	176	1,857	2,563
Grain sorghum	342	104	208	357	1,275
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Cattle and calves sold	24,376	133	254	795	3,063
All goats sold	328	115	243	305	2,686
Hogs and pigs sold	77	200	242	2,625	2,976
Horses and ponies sold	18	220	254	2,496	3,015
Sheep and lambs sold	(D)	224	235	2,690	2,765
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	34,207	157	254	982	3,064
All goat inventory	490	146	247	488	2,983
Horse and pony inventory	280	209	254	2,273	3,066
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	(D)	168	223	2,030	2,884
Hogs and pigs inventory	68	197	246	2,602	3,005
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Hay crops-acres	6,002	171	253	2,147	3,061
Sorghum for grain-acres	3,711	105	219	317	1,508
Peanuts-acres	2,725	22	115	104	466
Land used for vegetables-acres	1,539	21	206	334	2,741
Corn for grain-acres	1,201	93	178	1,802	2,691

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	172	133	29
\$10,000 or more	108	128	-16
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	18,826	11,021	71
Average per farmdollars..	67,475	42,226	60
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	(5)	469	-101
Average per farmdollars..	(17)	1,797	-101
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	218	193	13
Partnership or corporation	60	64	-6
Other	2	4	-50
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	122	134	-9
Other	158	127	24
Operators by sex:			
Male	250	228	10
Female	30	33	-9
Operators by race:			
White	260	247	5
Black and other races	20	14	43
Average age of operator	58.2	57.1	2

(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.