

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture  
Texas Agricultural Statistics Service



## PALO PINTO TEXAS

### Land in farms

Increased 1 percent from 517,272 acres in 1992 to 524,449 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Decreased 10 percent from 706 acres in 1992 to 632 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Unchanged from 320 farms in 1992 to 320 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

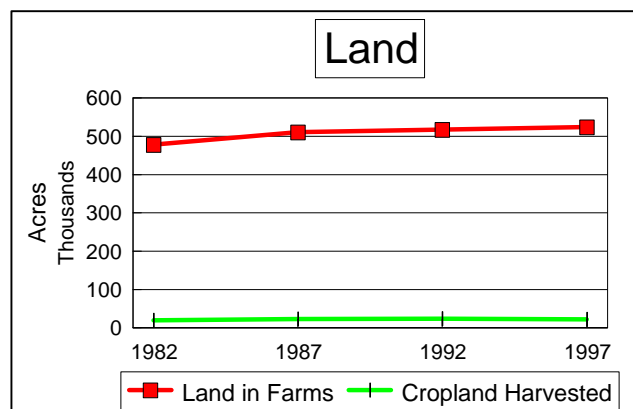
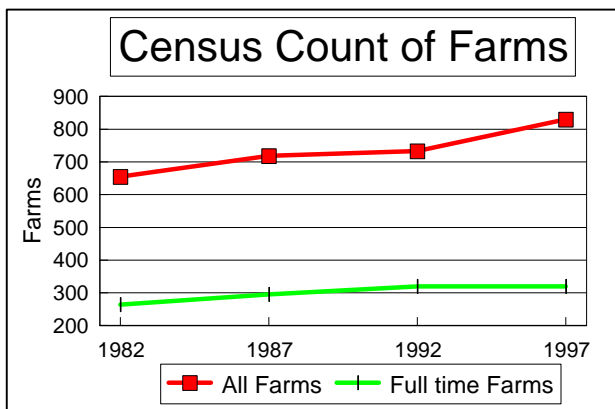
Increased 14 percent to \$14,972,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 11 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 89 percent of the market value.

### Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased slightly from \$17,866 in 1992 to \$18,038 in 1997.



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### Ranked Items Within State and U.S., 1997

Item	Quantity	State		U.S.	
		Rank	Universe*	Rank	Universe*
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)</b>					
Total value of agricultural products sold	14,972	184	254	2,301	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	13,347	142	254	1,623	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	1,625	198	252	2,583	3,070
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Cattle and calves	11,734	120	254	772	3,063
Dairy products	1,295	60	176	1,285	2,563
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	426	136	250	1,755	3,043
Nursery and greenhouse crops	332	88	189	1,513	2,790
Wheat	267	120	211	1,428	2,578
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves sold	28,767	119	254	669	3,063
All goats sold	1,361	50	243	64	2,686
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	(D)	57	180	710	2,200
Sheep and lambs sold	754	72	235	986	2,765
Hogs and pigs sold	248	160	242	2,328	2,976
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves inventory	50,947	109	254	591	3,064
All goat inventory	3,694	50	247	57	2,983
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	1,697	60	223	504	2,884
Sheep and lamb inventory	1,342	66	244	760	2,864
Horse and pony inventory	982	87	254	767	3,066
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Hay crops-acres	16,357	97	253	1,232	3,061
Wheat-acres	2,965	122	211	1,277	2,612
Land in orchards-acres	1,613	40	236	251	2,693
Cotton-acres	(D)	120	178	499	713
Peanuts-acres	457	56	115	207	466

Some counties do not have five commodities in a group.

### Other County Summary Highlights

Item	1997	1992	Percent Change
<b>Farms by value of sales:</b>			
Less than \$10,000 .....	585	505	16
\$10,000 or more .....	245	228	7
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	13,978	12,594	11
Average per farm .....dollars..	16,842	17,159	-2
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	3	687	-100
Average per farm .....dollars..	3	936	-100
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	748	671	11
Partnership or corporation .....	78	60	30
Other .....	4	2	100
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	320	320	
Other .....	510	413	23
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	720	657	10
Female .....	110	76	45
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	824	732	13
Black and other races .....	6	1	500
Average age of operator .....	58.1	58.8	-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.