

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture  
Texas Agricultural Statistics Service



## PARKER TEXAS

### Land in farms

Increased 15 percent from 415,694 acres in 1992 to 479,807 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Decreased 1 percent from 212 acres in 1992 to 209 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Increased 11 percent from 680 farms in 1992 to 756 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

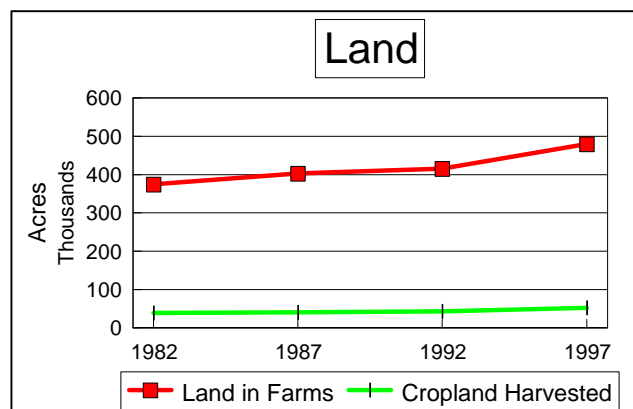
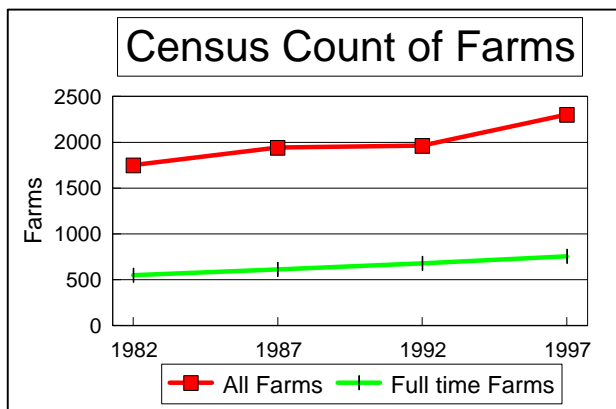
Increased 5 percent to \$43,837,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 25 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 75 percent of the market value.

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

Decreased 10 percent from \$21,272 in 1992 to \$19,051 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	43,837	78	254	1,336	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	33,058	54	254	810	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	10,779	102	252	1,706	3,070
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Cattle and calves	23,035	47	254	343	3,063
Nursery and greenhouse crops	7,318	18	189	283	2,790
Dairy products	6,675	23	176	518	2,563
Horses and ponies	2,466	3	254	36	3,015
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	2,014	24	250	392	3,043
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves sold	53,892	42	254	259	3,063
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	9,951	14	180	288	2,200
Rabbits and their pelts sold	2,538	11	123	99	1,593
All goats sold	2,062	43	243	51	2,686
Hogs and pigs sold	2,041	48	242	1,543	2,976
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves inventory	89,370	38	254	185	3,064
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	6,085	18	223	210	2,884
Horse and pony inventory	5,735	2	254	16	3,066
All goat inventory	5,062	44	247	50	2,983
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	1,826	49	245	983	3,002
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Hay crops-acres	43,961	22	253	354	3,061
Land in orchards-acres	3,000	15	236	166	2,693
Peanuts-acres	1,974	29	115	122	466
Wheat-acres	1,659	141	211	1,502	2,612
Oats-acres	(D)	18	185	463	2,332

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 .....	1,835	1,520	21
\$10,000 or more .....	466	445	5
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	43,405	38,564	13
Average per farm .....dollars..	18,864	19,625	-4
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	945	990	-5
Average per farm .....dollars..	411	504	-18
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	2,107	1,781	18
Partnership or corporation .....	179	173	3
Other .....	15	11	36
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	756	680	11
Other .....	1,545	1,285	20
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	2,059	1,777	16
Female .....	242	188	29
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	2,264	1,943	17
Black and other races .....	37	22	68
Average age of operator .....	55.0	55.6	-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.