

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture  
Texas Agricultural Statistics Service



## WILLIAMSON TEXAS

### Land in farms

Decreased 1 percent from 545,670 acres in 1992 to 538,130 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Decreased 11 percent from 298 acres in 1992 to 265 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Decreased 6 percent from 893 farms in 1992 to 835 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

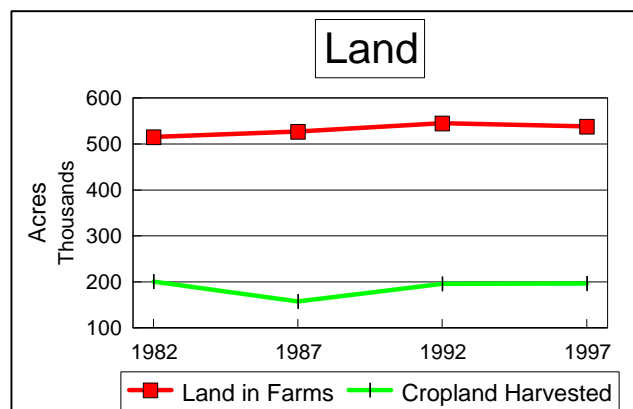
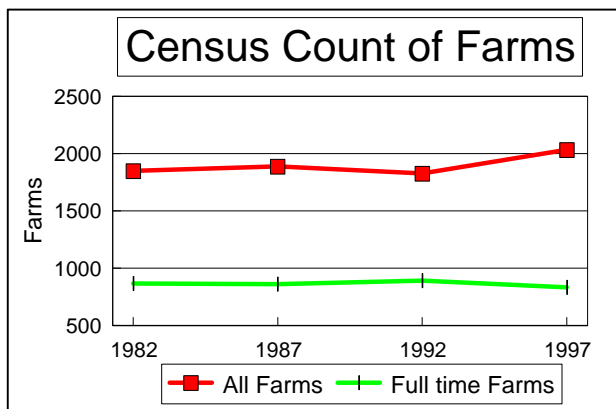
Increased 7 percent to \$48,071,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 66 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 34 percent of the market value.

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

Decreased 4 percent from \$24,495 in 1992 to \$23,634 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	48,071	70	254	1,238	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	31,610	40	252	898	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	16,461	122	254	1,421	3,069
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Cattle and calves	14,573	98	254	623	3,063
Corn for grain	10,962	12	160	529	2,582
Cotton, cottonseed	9,400	40	177	157	709
Grain sorghum	7,600	12	208	35	1,275
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	1,193	52	250	765	3,043
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves sold	35,787	94	254	490	3,063
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	4,129	27	180	423	2,200
All goats sold	3,740	30	243	33	2,686
Sheep and lambs sold	2,830	42	235	358	2,765
Hogs and pigs sold	1,166	81	242	1,764	2,976
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves inventory	66,124	77	254	374	3,064
All goat inventory	10,452	29	247	33	2,983
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	5,961	19	223	215	2,884
Sheep and lamb inventory	4,438	41	244	282	2,864
Horse and pony inventory	2,115	25	254	194	3,066
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Sorghum for grain-acres	59,042	9	219	30	1,508
Corn for grain-acres	51,705	10	178	495	2,691
Hay crops-acres	38,512	36	253	462	3,061
Cotton-acres	33,182	42	178	112	713
Wheat-acres	12,579	71	211	682	2,612

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 .....	1,472	1,170	26
\$10,000 or more .....	562	659	-15
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	41,520	40,261	3
Average per farm .....dollars..	20,403	22,037	-7
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	5,772	3,432	68
Average per farm .....dollars..	2,836	1,879	51
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	1,817	1,624	12
Partnership or corporation .....	189	189	
Other .....	28	16	75
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	835	893	-6
Other .....	1,199	936	28
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	1,828	1,673	9
Female .....	206	156	32
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	1,989	1,808	10
Black and other races .....	45	21	114
Average age of operator .....	56.1	56.0	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.