

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture  
Texas Agricultural Statistics Service



## DALLAS TEXAS

### Land in farms

Increased 20 percent from 123,756 acres in 1992 to 148,862 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Increased 3 percent from 189 acres in 1992 to 194 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Increased 7 percent from 229 farms in 1992 to 245 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

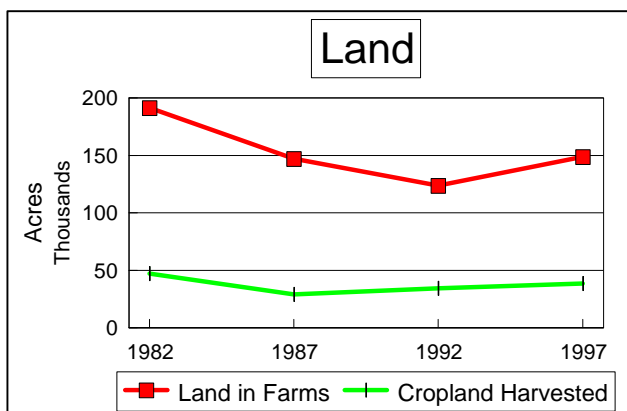
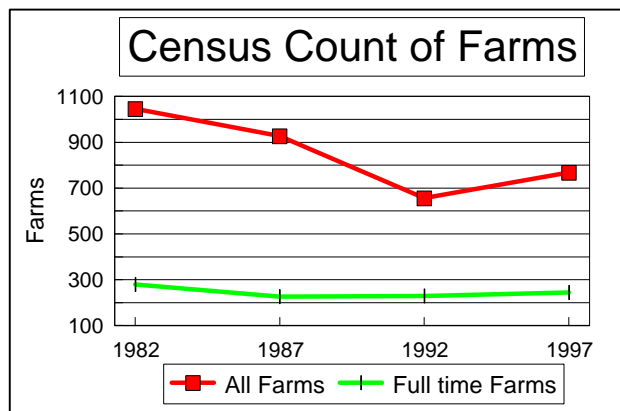
Increased 43 percent to \$22,279,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 73 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 27 percent of the market value.

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

Increased 22 percent from \$23,786 in 1992 to \$29,009 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	22,279	154	254	2,019	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	16,276	79	252	1,430	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	6,003	204	254	2,248	3,069
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Nursery and greenhouse crops	12,448	9	189	166	2,790
Cattle and calves	3,438	220	254	1,760	3,063
Wheat	1,058	71	211	886	2,578
Horses and ponies	855	15	254	127	3,015
Corn for grain	771	70	160	1,422	2,582
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens sold	(D)	31	115	543	1,882
Cattle and calves sold	8,342	220	254	1,761	3,063
All goats sold	906	64	243	93	2,686
Sheep and lambs sold	860	67	235	894	2,765
Hogs and pigs sold	817	94	242	1,877	2,976
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Broiler inventory	(D)	31	190	550	2,620
Cattle and calves inventory	14,798	221	254	1,813	3,064
Horse and pony inventory	2,184	22	254	185	3,066
All goat inventory	1,497	82	247	129	2,983
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	1,057	79	223	670	2,884
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Hay crops-acres	15,105	103	253	1,304	3,061
Wheat-acres	9,999	81	211	770	2,612
Sorghum for grain-acres	5,161	97	219	286	1,508
Corn for grain-acres	4,291	68	178	1,389	2,691
Soybeans for beans-acres	3,143	30	119	1,299	2,144

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 .....	601	517	16
\$10,000 or more .....	167	139	20
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	16,531	13,504	22
Average per farm .....dollars..	21,524	20,617	4
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	4,249	1,944	119
Average per farm .....dollars..	5,532	2,967	86
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	664	585	14
Partnership or corporation .....	92	67	37
Other .....	12	4	200
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	245	229	7
Other .....	523	427	22
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	627	562	12
Female .....	141	94	50
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	688	612	12
Black and other races .....	80	44	82
Average age of operator .....	57.4	57.0	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.