

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Texas Agricultural Statistics Service



FRIO TEXAS

Land in farms

Decreased 12 percent from 749,504 acres in 1992 to 662,124 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Increased 2 percent from 1,338 acres in 1992 to 1,365 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 19 percent from 302 farms in 1992 to 244 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

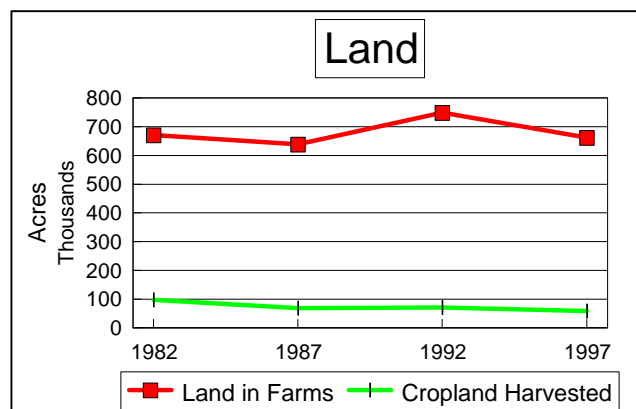
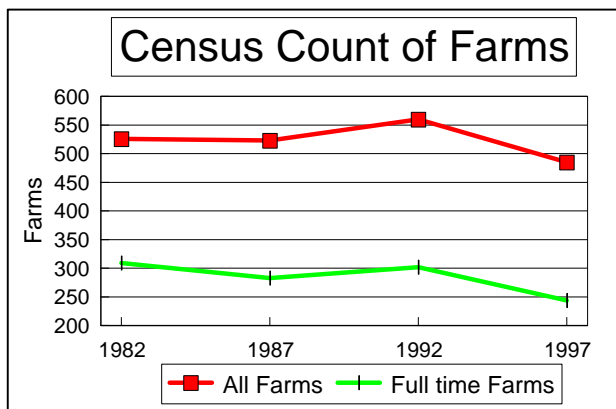
Decreased 8 percent to \$68,083,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 58 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 42 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 7 percent from \$131,664 in 1992 to \$140,378 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	68,083	48	254	852	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	39,692	30	252	723	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	28,391	69	254	924	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Cattle and calves	25,743	41	254	299	3,063
Other crops: potatoes, peanuts, etc	16,874	3	172	85	2,237
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	14,333	2	206	79	2,739
Nursery and greenhouse crops	(D)	36	189	559	2,790
Dairy products	2,130	47	176	1,022	2,563
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Cattle and calves sold	51,755	46	254	271	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	702	100	242	1,926	2,976
All goats sold	185	148	243	514	2,686
Horses and ponies sold	54	150	254	1,559	3,015
Sheep and lambs sold	(D)	199	235	2,418	2,765
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	72,220	63	254	302	3,064
Colony of bees inventory	4,720	6	185	127	2,588
All goat inventory	944	101	247	213	2,983
Horse and pony inventory	525	153	254	1,526	3,066
Hogs and pigs inventory	518	95	246	1,865	3,005
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Peanuts-acres	12,122	7	115	42	466
Hay crops-acres	10,255	132	253	1,693	3,061
Sorghum for grain-acres	10,114	77	219	213	1,508
Land used for vegetables-acres	7,263	2	206	94	2,741
Wheat-acres	6,532	94	211	928	2,612

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	282	270	4
\$10,000 or more	203	290	-30
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	46,967	62,858	-25
Average per farmdollars..	96,839	111,846	-13
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	20,495	9,372	119
Average per farmdollars..	42,258	16,676	153
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	375	435	-14
Partnership or corporation	106	122	-13
Other	4	3	33
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	244	302	-19
Other	241	258	-7
Operators by sex:			
Male	434	493	-12
Female	51	67	-24
Operators by race:			
White	446	530	-16
Black and other races	39	30	30
Average age of operator	58.8	58.5	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.