

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Texas Agricultural Statistics Service



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Land in farms

Increased 12 percent from 686,578 acres in 1992 to 772,172 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased 3 percent from 1,115 acres in 1992 to 1,085 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

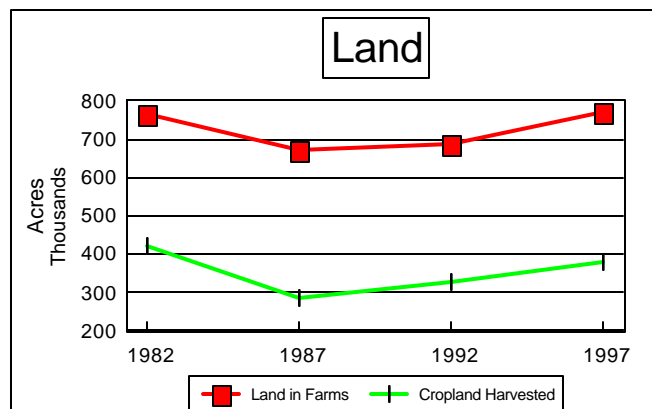
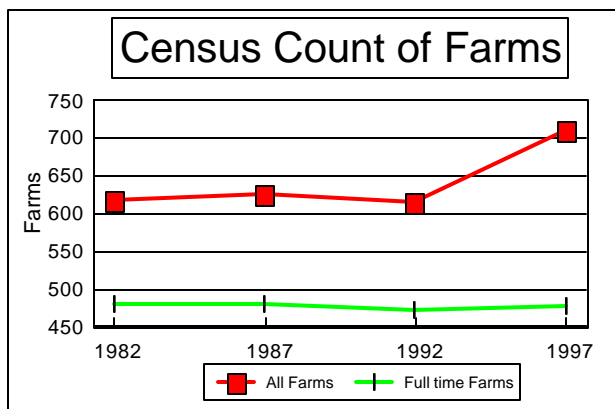
Increased 1 percent from 472 farms in 1992 to 479 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

Increased 63 percent to \$218,298,000 in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Increased 41 percent from \$218,066 in 1992 to \$306,599 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	218,298	14	254	120	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	(D)	2	252	70	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	(D)	27	254	327	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Cotton, cottonseed	89,612	1	177	7	709
Cattle and calves	(D)	19	254	87	3,063
Other crops: potatoes, peanuts, etc	46,941	1	172	23	2,237
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	4,683	11	206	190	2,739
Wheat	2,464	43	211	588	2,578
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Cattle and calves sold	107,838	21	254	92	3,063
Sheep and lambs sold	563	84	235	1,162	2,765
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	(D)	89	180	952	2,200
Hogs and pigs sold	458	124	242	2,095	2,976
All goats sold	160	159	243	609	2,686
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	47,404	119	254	651	3,064
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	(D)	96	223	800	2,884
Sheep and lamb inventory	695	85	244	1,188	2,864
Hogs and pigs inventory	422	111	246	1,942	3,005
Horse and pony inventory	259	218	254	2,361	3,066
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Cotton-acres	278,940	2	178	3	713
Peanuts-acres	54,387	1	115	1	466
Wheat-acres	22,192	54	211	503	2,612
Sorghum for grain-acres	14,992	61	219	165	1,508
Hay crops-acres	3,960	203	253	2,429	3,061

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	262	129	103
\$10,000 or more	450	487	-8
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	167,067	106,262	57
Average per farmdollars..	234,645	172,503	36
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	52,322	29,031	80
Average per farmdollars..	73,486	47,128	56
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	552	478	15
Partnership or corporation	149	130	15
Other	11	8	38
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	479	472	1
Other	233	144	62
Operators by sex:			
Male	634	597	6
Female	78	19	311
Operators by race:			
White	698	607	15
Black and other races	14	9	56
Average age of operator	53.8	50.5	7

(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.