

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture  
Texas Agricultural Statistics Service



## HAMILTON TEXAS

### Land in farms

Increased slightly from 461,249 acres in 1992 to 465,847 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Decreased 2 percent from 494 acres in 1992 to 482 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Decreased 8 percent from 477 farms in 1992 to 441 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

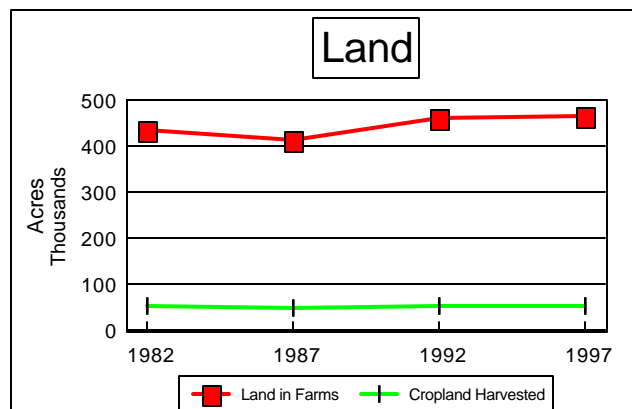
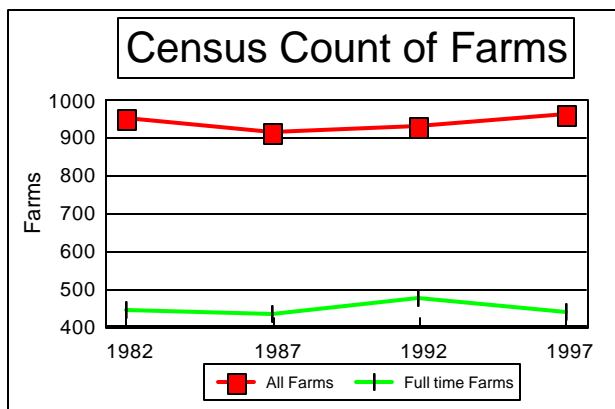
Increased 35 percent to \$52,410,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 6 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 94 percent of the market value.

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

Increased 31 percent from \$41,547 in 1992 to \$54,254 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	52,410	60	254	1,142	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	49,475	35	254	517	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	2,934	178	252	2,380	3,070
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Cattle and calves	23,371	46	254	338	3,063
Dairy products	22,971	8	176	187	2,563
Poultry & poultry products	(D)	43	222	816	2,901
Wheat	952	73	211	935	2,578
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	668	96	250	1,335	3,043
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Turkeys sold	(D)	14	85	203	1,353
Cattle and calves sold	40,379	75	254	409	3,063
Sheep and lambs sold	8,240	27	235	151	2,765
All goats sold	6,449	20	243	21	2,686
Hogs and pigs sold	285	152	242	2,284	2,976
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
All turkeys inventory	(D)	7	171	104	2,361
Cattle and calves inventory	71,120	64	254	312	3,064
All goat inventory	18,551	21	247	21	2,983
Sheep and lamb inventory	14,827	26	244	106	2,864
Horse and pony inventory	786	113	254	1,024	3,066
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Hay crops-acres	28,775	56	253	707	3,061
Wheat-acres	10,892	76	211	738	2,612
Oats-acres	7,011	2	185	72	2,332
Sorghum for grain-acres	3,601	107	219	325	1,508
Land in orchards-acres	2,679	19	236	179	2,693

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 .....	603	539	12
\$10,000 or more .....	363	394	-8
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	36,650	34,336	7
Average per farm .....dollars..	37,940	36,802	3
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	13,512	3,554	280
Average per farm .....dollars..	13,988	3,809	267
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	846	820	3
Partnership or corporation .....	115	112	3
Other .....	5	1	400
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	441	477	-8
Other .....	525	456	15
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	859	860	-0
Female .....	107	73	47
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	956	932	3
Black and other races .....	10	1	900
Average age of operator .....	58.0	57.8	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.