



2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

Loving, Texas



Number of farms

14 farms in 2002, 15 farms in 1997, down 7 percent.

Land in farms

515,192 acres in 2002, 353,867 acres in 1997, up 46 percent.

Average size of farm

36,799 acres in 2002, 23,591 acres in 1997, up 56 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$523,000 in 2002, \$882,000 in 1997, down 41 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$0 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$523,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

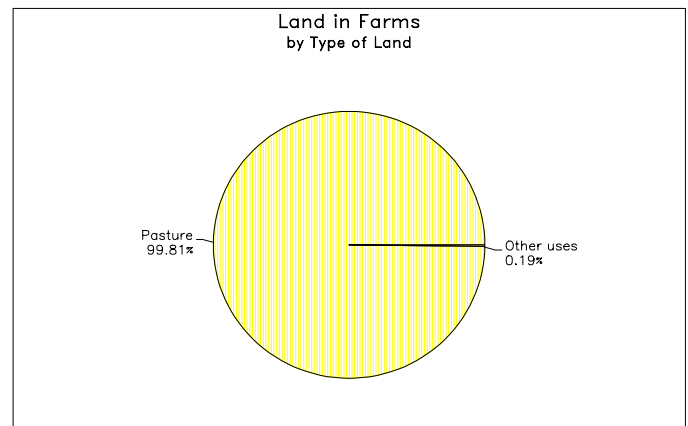
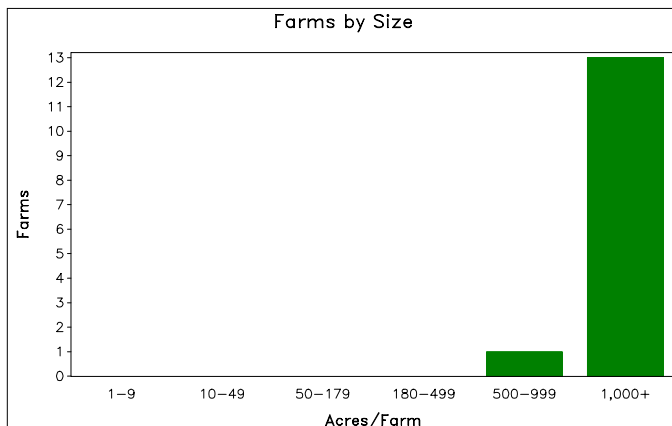
\$37,392 in 2002, \$58,828 in 1997, down 36 percent.

Government Payments

\$109,000 in 2002, (D) in 1997.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$18,219 in 2002, (D) in 1997.



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Ranked items among the 254 state counties and 3,078 U.S. counties, 2002

Item	Quantity	State Rank	Universe ¹	U.S. Rank	Universe ¹
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)					
Total value of agricultural products sold	523	254	254	3,028	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	-	-	252	-	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	523	254	254	2,945	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	-	-	235	-	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	162	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	-	-	199	-	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	-	-	224	-	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	-	-	178	-	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	79	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	-	-	250	-	3,046
Poultry and eggs	-	-	223	-	2,918
Cattle and calves	523	254	254	2,739	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	-	-	157	-	2,493
Hogs and pigs	-	-	235	-	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	-	-	250	-	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	-	-	253	-	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	110	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	-	-	208	-	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	1,702	254	254	2,841	3,059
Horses and ponies	53	253	254	3,012	3,065
Pheasants	(D)	88	112	(D)	1,541
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
No crop acreage in major categories					

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	5	Farming	7
\$1,000 to \$2,499	-	Other	7
\$2,500 to \$4,999	2	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	1	Male	13
\$10,000 to \$19,999	-	Female	1
\$20,000 to \$24,999	1	Average age of principal operator (years)	58.8
\$25,000 to \$39,999	1	All operators ² by race:	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	2	White	21
\$50,000 to \$99,999	1	Black or African American	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	-	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	1	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	-	Asian	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	767	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	54,771	All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	1
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	-42		
Average per farm (\$)	-2,990		

(D) Cannot be disclosed. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown. See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

¹ Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item.

² Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.