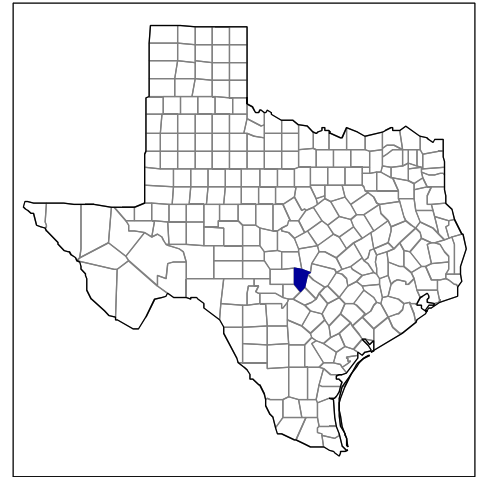


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Number of farms

784 farms in 2002, 731 farms in 1997, up 7 percent.

Land in farms

389,282 acres in 2002, 391,886 acres in 1997, down 1 percent.

Average size of farm

497 acres in 2002, 536 acres in 1997, down 7 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$12,050,000 in 2002, \$13,348,000 in 1997, down 10 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$6,493,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$5,557,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

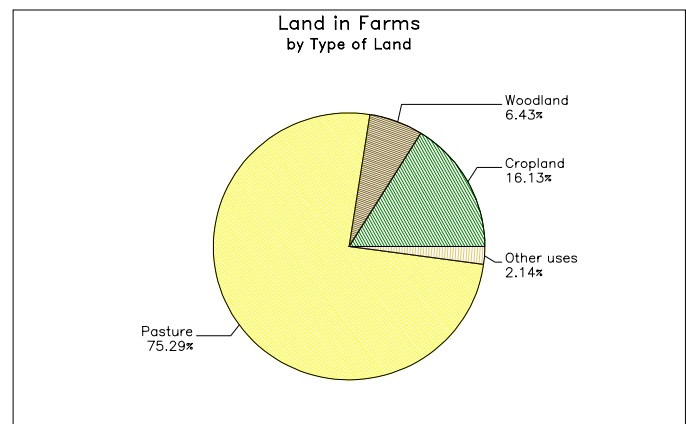
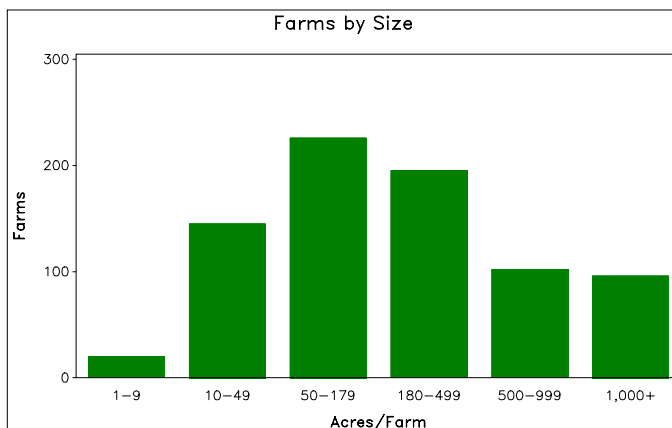
\$15,370 in 2002, \$18,260 in 1997, down 16 percent.

Government Payments

\$120,000 in 2002, \$111,000 in 1997, up 8 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$1,793 in 2002, \$1,791 in 1997, up slightly.



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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 | 12,050 | 193 | 254 | 2,412 | 3,075 |
| Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse | 6,493 | 125 | 252 | 1,935 | 3,070 |
| Value of livestock, poultry, and their products | 5,557 | 207 | 254 | 2,290 | 3,070 |
| VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000) | | | | | |
| Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas | (D) | (D) | 235 | (D) | 2,871 |
| Tobacco | - | - | - | - | 560 |
| Cotton and cottonseed | - | - | 162 | - | 656 |
| Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes | 114 | 121 | 199 | 1,654 | 2,747 |
| Fruits, tree nuts, and berries | (D) | (D) | 224 | (D) | 2,638 |
| Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod | (D) | (D) | 178 | (D) | 2,708 |
| Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops | (D) | (D) | 79 | (D) | 1,774 |
| Other crops and hay | (D) | (D) | 250 | (D) | 3,046 |
| Poultry and eggs | 12 | 128 | 223 | 1,913 | 2,918 |
| Cattle and calves | 4,455 | 198 | 254 | 1,606 | 3,053 |
| Milk and other dairy products from cows | - | - | 157 | - | 2,493 |
| Hogs and pigs | 48 | 74 | 235 | 1,716 | 2,919 |
| Sheep, goats, and their products | 541 | 35 | 250 | 174 | 2,997 |
| Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys | 281 | 90 | 253 | 792 | 3,014 |
| Aquaculture | - | - | 110 | - | 1,520 |
| Other animals and other animal products | 221 | 47 | 208 | 560 | 2,727 |
| TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number) | | | | | |
| Cattle and calves | 20,432 | 186 | 254 | 1,439 | 3,059 |
| All Goats | 12,015 | 26 | 253 | 26 | 2,971 |
| Sheep and lambs | 5,953 | 31 | 244 | 196 | 2,867 |
| Horses and ponies | 1,641 | 79 | 254 | 659 | 3,065 |
| Layers 20 weeks old and older | 1,339 | 89 | 237 | 1,190 | 2,983 |
| TOP CROP ITEMS (acres) | | | | | |
| Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop | 9,611 | 156 | 253 | 1,816 | 3,059 |
| Pecans | 118 | 134 | 222 | 419 | 1,194 |
| Grapes | 96 | 12 | 141 | 147 | 1,830 |
| Peaches | 79 | 18 | 155 | 188 | 1,773 |
| Oats ³ | (D) | (D) | 173 | (D) | 2,215 |

Other County Highlights

| Economic Characteristics | Quantity | Operator Characteristics | Quantity |
|---|----------|---|----------|
| Farms by value of sales | | Principal operators by primary occupation: | |
| Less than \$1,000 | 260 | Farming | 408 |
| \$1,000 to \$2,499 | 135 | Other | 376 |
| \$2,500 to \$4,999 | 113 | | |
| \$5,000 to \$9,999 | 102 | Principal operators by sex: | |
| \$10,000 to \$19,999 | 91 | Male | 668 |
| \$20,000 to \$24,999 | 18 | Female | 116 |
| \$25,000 to \$39,999 | 34 | | |
| \$40,000 to \$49,999 | 8 | Average age of principal operator (years) | 60.6 |
| \$50,000 to \$99,999 | 16 | | |
| \$100,000 to \$249,999 | 6 | All operators ² by race: | |
| \$250,000 to \$499,999 | - | White | 1,177 |
| \$500,000 or more | 1 | Black or African American | 5 |
| Total farm production expenses (\$1,000) | 16,781 | American Indian or Alaska Native | 3 |
| Average per farm (\$) | 21,377 | Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander | - |
| | | Asian | - |
| Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000) | -3,609 | More than one race | 7 |
| Average per farm (\$) | -4,597 | All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin | 31 |

(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.

³ Items with a rank that cannot be disclosed are separated by a blank line, position in table does not indicate rank.