



2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

Newton, Texas



Number of farms

385 farms in 2002, 378 farms in 1997, up 2 percent.

Land in farms

69,381 acres in 2002, 67,324 acres in 1997, up 3 percent.

Average size of farm

180 acres in 2002, 178 acres in 1997, up 1 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$1,315,000 in 2002, \$1,682,000 in 1997, down 22 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$378,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$937,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

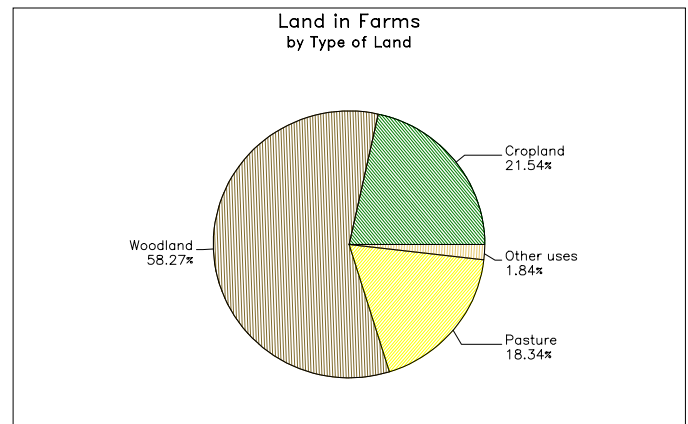
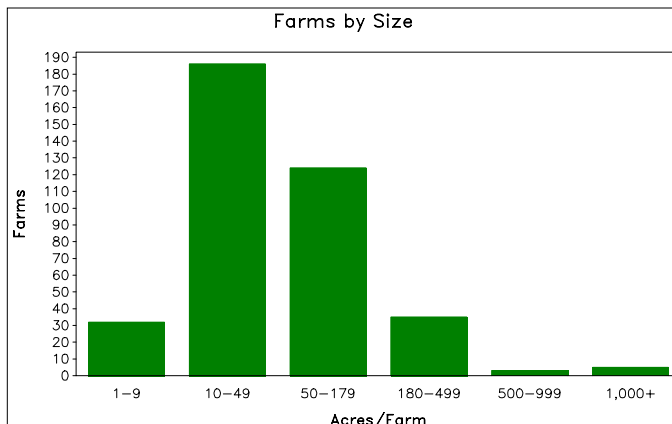
\$3,414 in 2002, \$4,451 in 1997, down 23 percent.

Government Payments

\$36,000 in 2002, \$7,000 in 1997, up 414 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$7,228 in 2002, \$865 in 1997, up 736 percent.



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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	1,315	252	254	2,989	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	378	234	252	2,934	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	937	253	254	2,881	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	-	-	199	-	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	224	(D)	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	21	157	178	2,443	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	159	13	79	317	1,774
Other crops and hay	183	210	250	2,563	3,046
Poultry and eggs	16	112	223	1,799	2,918
Cattle and calves	837	253	254	2,620	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	-	-	157	-	2,493
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	235	(D)	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	8	212	250	2,407	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	67	189	253	2,143	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	110	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	208	(D)	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	6,492	243	254	2,376	3,059
Layers 20 weeks old and older	698	128	237	1,662	2,983
Horses and ponies	631	168	254	1,878	3,065
All Goats	572	178	253	897	2,971
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	436	73	192	1,152	2,599
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	4,225	209	253	2,414	3,059
Short-rotation woody crops	194	36	80	285	1,262
Cut Christmas trees	17	46	73	1,267	1,877
Pecans ³	(D)	(D)	222	(D)	1,194
All Wheat for grain ³	(D)	(D)	202	(D)	2,517

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	148	Farming	186
\$1,000 to \$2,499	101	Other	199
\$2,500 to \$4,999	66	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	44	Male	350
\$10,000 to \$19,999	18	Female	35
\$20,000 to \$24,999	2	Average age of principal operator (years)	55.3
\$25,000 to \$39,999	3	All operators ² by race:	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	2	White	475
\$50,000 to \$99,999	-	Black or African American	48
\$100,000 to \$249,999	1	American Indian or Alaska Native	7
\$250,000 to \$499,999	-	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	-	Asian	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	4,189	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	10,938	All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	20
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	-1,661		
Average per farm (\$)	-4,336		

(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.