

# 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

## Orange, Texas

### Number of farms

496 farms in 2002, 422 farms in 1997, up 18 percent.

### Land in farms

73,474 acres in 2002, 89,237 acres in 1997, down 18 percent.

### Average size of farm

148 acres in 2002, 211 acres in 1997, down 30 percent.

### Market Value of Production

\$3,789,000 in 2002, \$3,390,000 in 1997, up 12 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$1,047,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$2,742,000 of the total value in 2002.

### Market Value of Production, average per farm

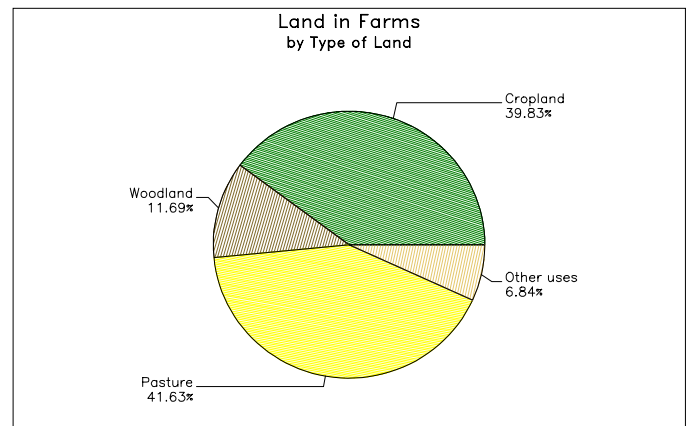
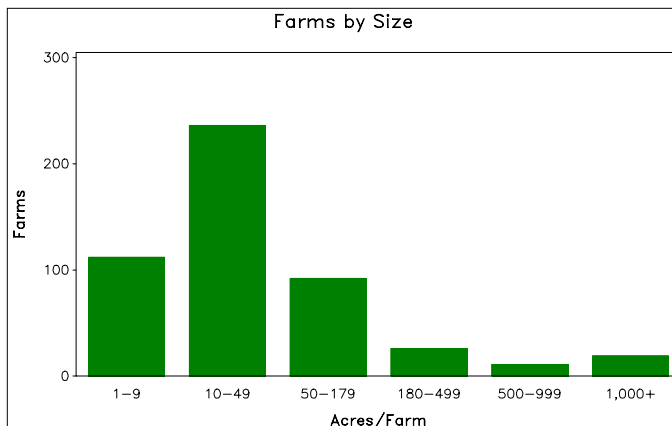
\$7,638 in 2002, \$8,032 in 1997, down 5 percent.

### Government Payments

\$114,000 in 2002, \$35,000 in 1997, up 226 percent.

### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$22,770 in 2002, \$2,893 in 1997, up 687 percent.



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

Item	Quantity	State Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>	U.S. Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)</b>					
Total value of agricultural products sold	3,789	241	254	2,837	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	1,047	210	252	2,711	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	2,742	235	254	2,609	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	159	181	235	2,279	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	162	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	70	145	199	1,891	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	54	135	224	1,544	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	178	(D)	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	88	26	79	477	1,774
Other crops and hay	(D)	(D)	250	(D)	3,046
Poultry and eggs	15	115	223	1,817	2,918
Cattle and calves	2,097	235	254	2,137	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	(D)	157	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	235	(D)	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	7	214	250	2,442	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	191	118	253	1,147	3,014
Aquaculture	1	72	110	1,289	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	391	26	208	352	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	10,402	225	254	2,019	3,059
Colonies of bees	4,960	9	160	114	2,392
Horses and ponies	1,125	112	254	1,122	3,065
Layers 20 weeks old and older	981	106	237	1,408	2,983
Ducks	688	15	201	157	2,630
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	3,259	220	253	2,555	3,059
Rice	878	19	21	113	150
Cut Christmas trees	75	16	73	699	1,877
Pecans	23	193	222	700	1,194
All Berries	(D)	19	103	(D)	2,019

**Other County Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	204
\$1,000 to \$2,499	121
\$2,500 to \$4,999	71
\$5,000 to \$9,999	46
\$10,000 to \$19,999	27
\$20,000 to \$24,999	7
\$25,000 to \$39,999	9
\$40,000 to \$49,999	-
\$50,000 to \$99,999	3
\$100,000 to \$249,999	5
\$250,000 to \$499,999	2
\$500,000 or more	1
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	4,944
Average per farm (\$)	9,949
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	-1,900
Average per farm (\$)	-3,822

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	229
Other	267
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	427
Female	69
Average age of principal operator (years)	53.1
All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
White	721
Black or African American	7
American Indian or Alaska Native	1
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	2
More than one race	7
All operators <sup>2</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	24

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

<sup>1</sup> Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item.

<sup>2</sup> Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.