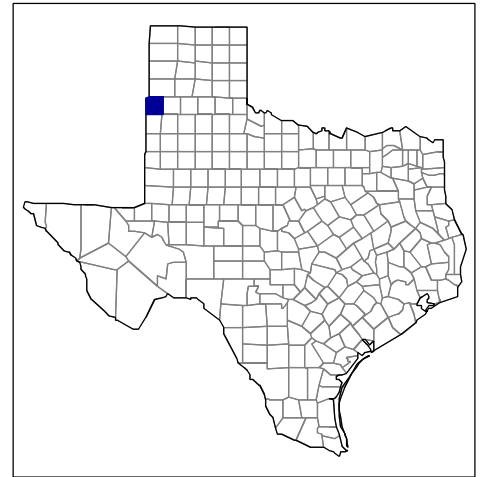




# 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

## Parmer, Texas



### Number of farms

660 farms in 2002, 654 farms in 1997, up 1 percent.

### Land in farms

576,461 acres in 2002, 560,204 acres in 1997, up 3 percent.

### Average size of farm

873 acres in 2002, 857 acres in 1997, up 2 percent.

### Market Value of Production

\$603,910,000 in 2002, \$554,930,000 in 1997, up 9 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$72,042,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$531,867,000 of the total value in 2002.

### Market Value of Production, average per farm

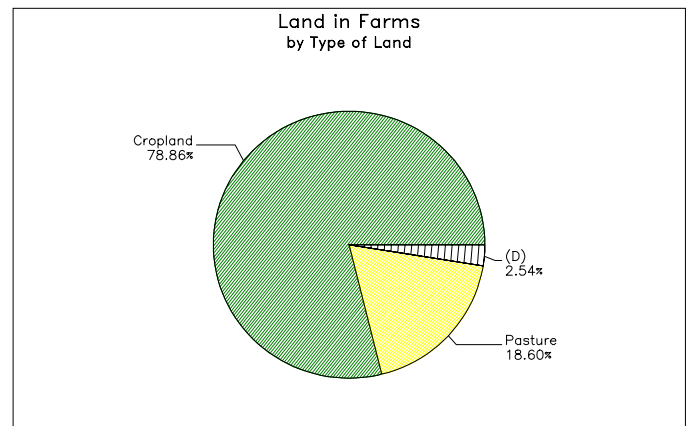
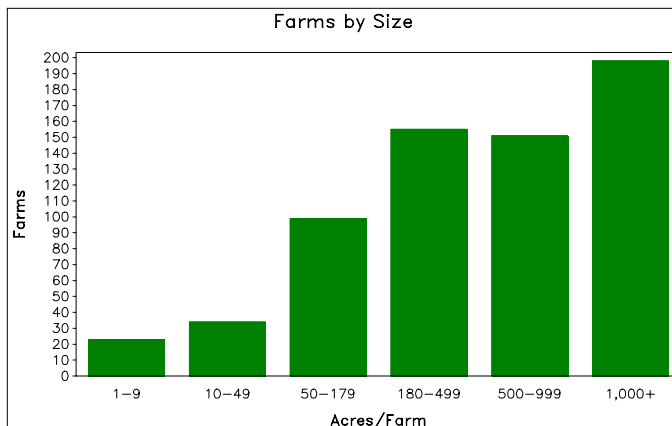
\$915,015 in 2002, \$848,516 in 1997, up 8 percent.

### Government Payments

\$10,246,000 in 2002, \$9,403,000 in 1997, up 9 percent.

### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$21,707 in 2002, \$18,083 in 1997, up 20 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	603,910	2	254	28	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	72,042	10	252	276	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	531,867	2	254	11	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	27,682	7	235	516	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	34,178	10	162	25	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	8,063	6	199	201	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	224	(D)	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	(D)	(D)	250	(D)	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	223	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	526,295	2	254	3	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	5,209	27	157	604	2,493
Hogs and pigs	13	142	235	2,210	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	(D)	(D)	250	(D)	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	342	67	253	624	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	110	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	208	(D)	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	354,035	3	254	9	3,059
Horses and ponies	645	166	254	1,851	3,065
Hogs and pigs	(D)	97	238	(D)	2,926
All Goats	153	219	253	2,030	2,971
Layers 20 weeks old and older	96	202	237	2,724	2,983
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
All Cotton	78,488	18	165	33	663
All Wheat for grain	53,410	13	202	244	2,517
Sorghum for grain	30,118	24	194	68	1,307
Corn for grain	28,576	18	166	678	2,592
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	14,178	122	253	1,422	3,059

**Other County Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	163	Farming	507
\$1,000 to \$2,499	15	Other	153
\$2,500 to \$4,999	19		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	29	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	23	Male	609
\$20,000 to \$24,999	20	Female	51
\$25,000 to \$39,999	36		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	13	Average age of principal operator (years)	54.2
\$50,000 to \$99,999	79		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	97	All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	94	White	881
\$500,000 or more	72	Black or African American	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	568,270	American Indian or Alaska Native	2
Average per farm (\$)	866,266	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	1
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	51,584	More than one race	3
Average per farm (\$)	78,635	All operators <sup>2</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	27

(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.