2002 Census of Agriculture
County Profile

Polk, Texas

Number of farms
689 farms in 2002, 655 farms in 1997, up 5 percent.

Land in farms
129,956 acres in 2002, 141,766 acres in 1997, down 8 percent.

Average size of farm
189 acres in 2002, 216 acres in 1997, down 13 percent.

Market Value of Production
$5,779,000 in 2002, $4,496,000 in 1997, up 29 percent.
   Crop sales accounted for $1,193,000 of the total value in 2002.
   Livestock sales accounted for $4,587,000 of the total value in 2002.
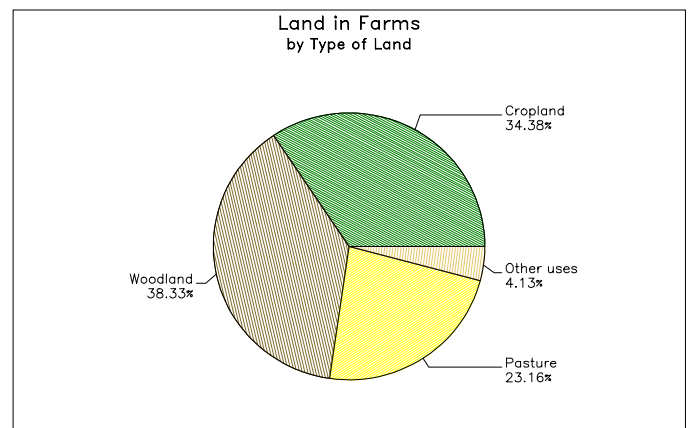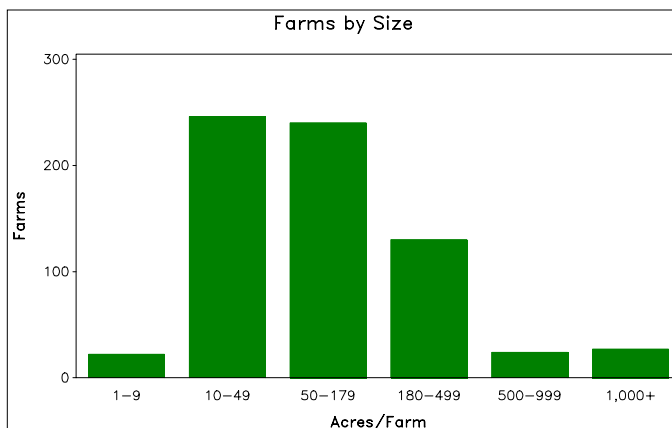
Market Value of Production, average per farm
$8,388 in 2002, $6,864 in 1997, up 22 percent.

Government Payments
$6,000 in 2002, $33,000 in 1997, down 82 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments
$1,118 in 2002, $2,059 in 1997, down 46 percent.

Farms by Size

Land in Farms by Type of Land

Cropland 34.38%
Other uses 4.13%
Pasture 23.16%
Woodland 38.33%

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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	5,779	229	254	2,728	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	1,193	207	252	2,670	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	4,587	214	254	2,386	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP ($1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	127	185	235	2,322	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	162	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	445	71	199	1,047	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	33	149	224	1,769	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	22	156	178	2,433	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	13	52	79	1,087	1,774
Other crops and hay	552	150	250	1,821	3,046
Poultry and eggs	36	91	223	1,549	2,918
Cattle and calves	4,097	206	254	1,681	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	103	115	157	2,134	2,493
Hogs and pigs	7	169	235	2,414	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	33	157	250	1,563	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	149	140	253	1,398	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	110	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	162	58	208	682	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	18,612	192	254	1,530	3,059
Colonies of bees	(D)	21	160	(D)	2,392
Horses and ponies	952	134	254	1,354	3,065
Ducks [3]	(D)	(D)	201	(D)	2,630
Rabbits [3]	(D)	(D)	138	(D)	1,966
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	12,924	131	253	1,509	3,059
Short-rotation woody crops	1,252	9	80	29	1,262
Corn for grain	442	111	166	2,019	2,592
Soybeans	(D)	62	98	(D)	2,076
All Vegetables harvested	176	73	202	1,010	2,710

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than $1,000	219
$1,000 to $2,499	139
$2,500 to $4,999	91
$5,000 to $9,999	104
$10,000 to $19,999	75
$20,000 to $24,999	9
$25,000 to $39,999	23
$40,000 to $49,999	12
$50,000 to $99,999	12
$100,000 to $249,999	3
$250,000 to $499,999	2
$500,000 or more	-
Total farm production expenses ($1,000)	12,294
Average per farm ($)	17,792
Net cash farm income of operation ($1,000)	-5,105
Average per farm ($)	-7,388

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	349
Other	340
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	629
Female	60
Average age of principal operator (years)	58.5
All operators [2] by race:	
White	949
Black or African American	50
American Indian or Alaska Native	11
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	1
More than one race	1
All operators [2] of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	30

(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.