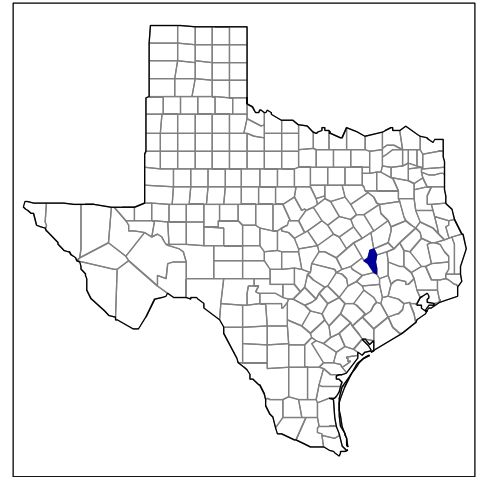




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Number of farms

1,350 farms in 2002, 1,323 farms in 1997, up 2 percent.

Land in farms

308,814 acres in 2002, 273,573 acres in 1997, up 13 percent.

Average size of farm

229 acres in 2002, 207 acres in 1997, up 11 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$47,060,000 in 2002, \$41,738,000 in 1997, up 13 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$8,846,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$38,215,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

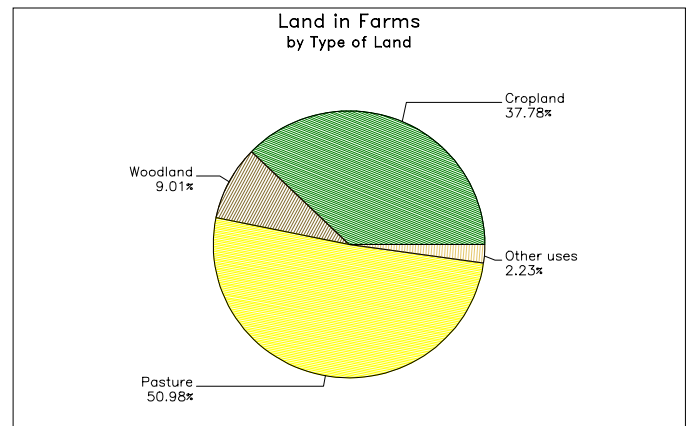
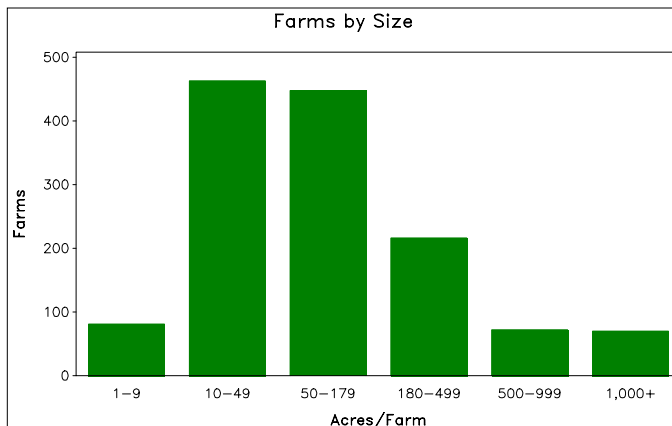
\$34,859 in 2002, \$31,548 in 1997, up 10 percent.

Government Payments

\$628,000 in 2002, \$381,000 in 1997, up 65 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$17,443 in 2002, \$7,936 in 1997, up 120 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	47,060	75	254	1,241	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	8,846	104	252	1,746	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	38,215	57	254	767	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	1,685	102	235	1,633	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	4,834	50	162	180	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	199	(D)	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	224	(D)	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	725	70	178	1,242	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	129	17	79	365	1,774
Other crops and hay	1,293	77	250	1,005	3,046
Poultry and eggs	16,946	19	223	338	2,918
Cattle and calves	18,714	82	254	557	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	(D)	157	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	218	27	235	1,234	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	(D)	(D)	250	(D)	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	1,703	9	253	64	3,014
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	110	(D)	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	267	35	208	474	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	550,122	23	192	368	2,599
Cattle and calves	67,675	71	254	326	3,059
Horses and ponies	2,697	35	254	270	3,065
Hogs and pigs	2,326	18	238	1,099	2,926
Layers 20 weeks old and older ³	(D)	(D)	237	(D)	2,983
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	26,588	72	253	837	3,059
All Cotton	11,536	61	165	241	663
Corn for grain	4,928	66	166	1,281	2,592
Sorghum for grain	2,288	106	194	344	1,307
Corn for silage	(D)	16	106	(D)	2,307

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	330	Farming	634
\$1,000 to \$2,499	203	Other	716
\$2,500 to \$4,999	246	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	220	Male	1,156
\$10,000 to \$19,999	142	Female	194
\$20,000 to \$24,999	33	Average age of principal operator (years)	56.9
\$25,000 to \$39,999	49	All operators ² by race:	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	24	White	1,821
\$50,000 to \$99,999	47	Black or African American	121
\$100,000 to \$249,999	33	American Indian or Alaska Native	12
\$250,000 to \$499,999	11	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	4
\$500,000 or more	12	Asian	5
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	43,256	More than one race	3
Average per farm (\$)	31,971	All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	69
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	7,770		
Average per farm (\$)	5,743		

(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.