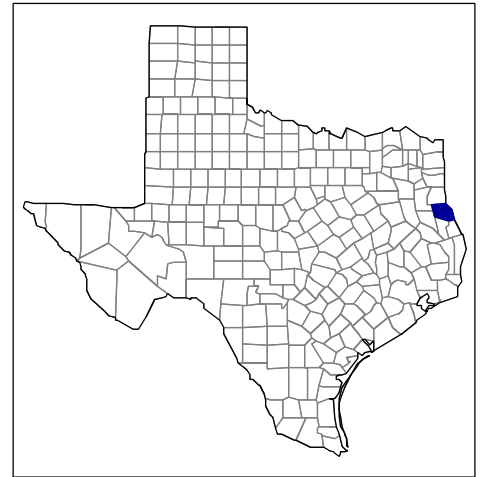


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Number of farms

1,100 farms in 2002, 1,187 farms in 1997, down 7 percent.

Land in farms

192,036 acres in 2002, 216,368 acres in 1997, down 11 percent.

Average size of farm

175 acres in 2002, 182 acres in 1997, down 4 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$240,639,000 in 2002, \$185,397,000 in 1997, up 30 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$2,009,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$238,630,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

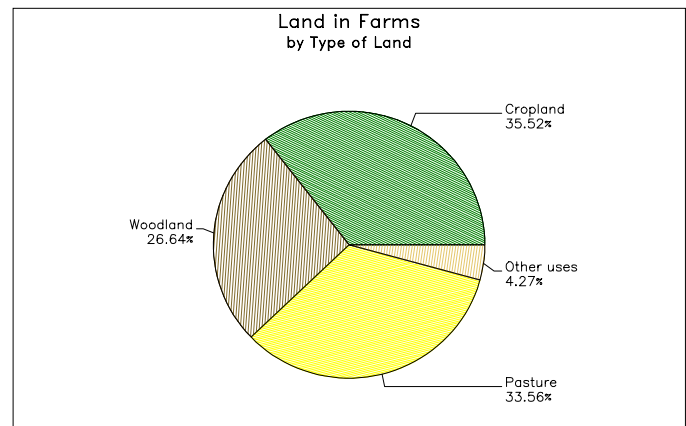
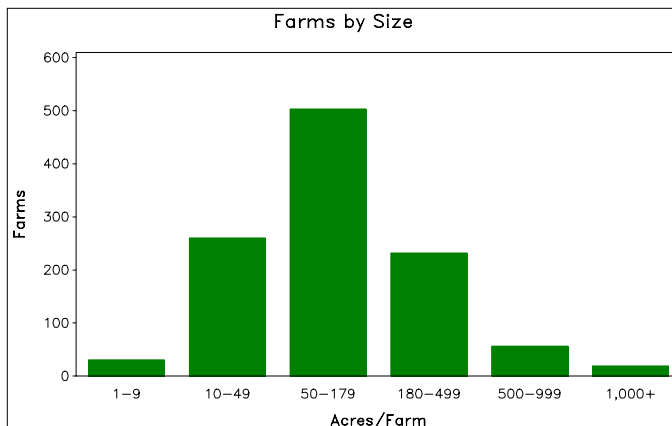
\$218,763 in 2002, \$156,190 in 1997, up 40 percent.

Government Payments

\$91,000 in 2002, \$131,000 in 1997, down 31 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$3,376 in 2002, \$2,777 in 1997, up 22 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 | 240,639 | 14 | 254 | 111 | 3,075 |
| Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse | 2,009 | 187 | 252 | 2,509 | 3,070 |
| Value of livestock, poultry, and their products | 238,630 | 12 | 254 | 58 | 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 | 990 | 46 | 199 | 760 | 2,747 |
| Fruits, tree nuts, and berries | (D) | (D) | 224 | (D) | 2,638 |
| Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod | 406 | 87 | 178 | 1,516 | 2,708 |
| Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops | (D) | (D) | 79 | (D) | 1,774 |
| Other crops and hay | 592 | 142 | 250 | 1,751 | 3,046 |
| Poultry and eggs | 228,961 | 1 | 223 | 7 | 2,918 |
| Cattle and calves | 8,787 | 149 | 254 | 1,078 | 3,053 |
| Milk and other dairy products from cows | (D) | (D) | 157 | (D) | 2,493 |
| Hogs and pigs | 1 | 220 | 235 | 2,842 | 2,919 |
| Sheep, goats, and their products | 24 | 174 | 250 | 1,771 | 2,997 |
| Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys | 182 | 122 | 253 | 1,201 | 3,014 |
| Aquaculture | (D) | (D) | 110 | (D) | 1,520 |
| Other animals and other animal products | (D) | (D) | 208 | (D) | 2,727 |
| TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number) | | | | | |
| Broilers and other meat-type chickens | 14,867,668 | 2 | 192 | 13 | 2,599 |
| Layers 20 weeks old and older | 1,810,521 | 2 | 237 | 48 | 2,983 |
| Cattle and calves | 45,966 | 119 | 254 | 642 | 3,059 |
| Quail | 8,180 | 18 | 135 | 95 | 1,412 |
| Horses and ponies | 1,453 | 90 | 254 | 799 | 3,065 |
| TOP CROP ITEMS (acres) | | | | | |
| Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop | 19,678 | 94 | 253 | 1,121 | 3,059 |
| All Vegetables harvested | 921 | 24 | 202 | 457 | 2,710 |
| Watermelons | 796 | 8 | 173 | 46 | 1,753 |
| Short-rotation woody crops | 446 | 21 | 80 | 144 | 1,262 |
| Southern peas | 102 | 12 | 96 | 53 | 625 |

Other County Highlights

| Economic Characteristics | Quantity |
|---|----------|
| Farms by value of sales | |
| Less than \$1,000 | 215 |
| \$1,000 to \$2,499 | 141 |
| \$2,500 to \$4,999 | 140 |
| \$5,000 to \$9,999 | 144 |
| \$10,000 to \$19,999 | 125 |
| \$20,000 to \$24,999 | 28 |
| \$25,000 to \$39,999 | 39 |
| \$40,000 to \$49,999 | 8 |
| \$50,000 to \$99,999 | 23 |
| \$100,000 to \$249,999 | 30 |
| \$250,000 to \$499,999 | 54 |
| \$500,000 or more | 153 |
| Total farm production expenses (\$1,000) | 162,779 |
| Average per farm (\$) | 147,445 |
| Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000) | 79,581 |
| Average per farm (\$) | 72,084 |

| Operator Characteristics | Quantity |
|---|----------|
| Principal operators by primary occupation: | |
| Farming | 712 |
| Other | 388 |
| Principal operators by sex: | |
| Male | 959 |
| Female | 141 |
| Average age of principal operator (years) | 56.9 |
| All operators ² by race: | |
| White | 1,485 |
| Black or African American | 31 |
| American Indian or Alaska Native | 12 |
| Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander | - |
| Asian | 3 |
| More than one race | 10 |
| All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin | 37 |

(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.