

2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

Somervell, Texas



Number of farms

339 farms in 2002, 294 farms in 1997, up 15 percent.

Land in farms

84,262 acres in 2002, 77,269 acres in 1997, up 9 percent.

Average size of farm

249 acres in 2002, 263 acres in 1997, down 5 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$2,025,000 in 2002, \$2,342,000 in 1997, down 14 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$519,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$1,507,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

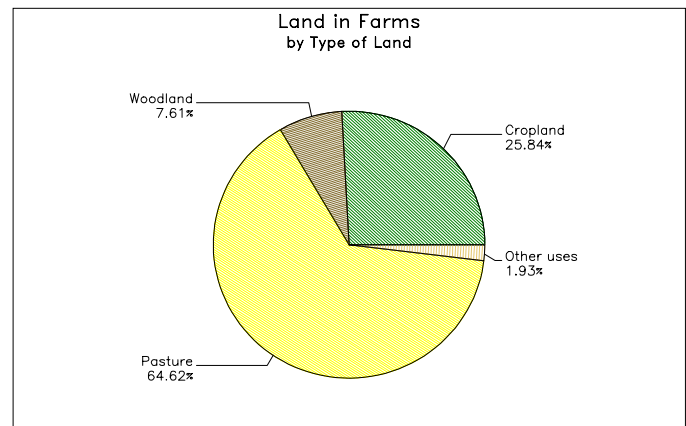
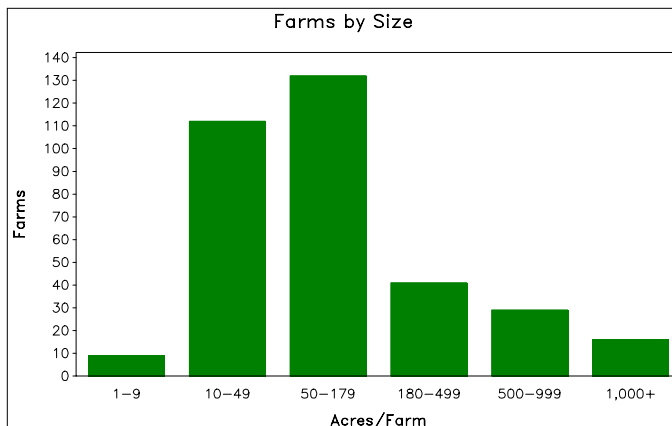
\$5,975 in 2002, \$7,967 in 1997, down 25 percent.

Government Payments

\$37,000 in 2002, \$7,000 in 1997, up 429 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$2,344 in 2002, \$438 in 1997, up 435 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	2,025	248	254	2,945	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	519	229	252	2,881	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	1,507	250	254	2,793	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	(D)	(D)	199	(D)	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	176	75	224	974	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	178	(D)	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	79	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	328	185	250	2,245	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	223	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	1,243	246	254	2,454	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	45	136	250	1,355	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	179	123	253	1,218	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	110	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	27	124	208	1,395	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	6,876	241	254	2,342	3,059
All Goats	1,403	115	253	298	2,971
Sheep and lambs	489	114	244	1,470	2,867
Horses and ponies	467	198	254	2,233	3,065
Layers 20 weeks old and older	421	146	237	2,036	2,983
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	6,045	194	253	2,176	3,059
Pecans	648	63	222	183	1,194
Sorghum for grain	(D)	190	194	(D)	1,307
All Vegetables harvested	14	166	202	2,140	2,710
Peaches	7	93	155	745	1,773

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	100
\$1,000 to \$2,499	78
\$2,500 to \$4,999	65
\$5,000 to \$9,999	49
\$10,000 to \$19,999	24
\$20,000 to \$24,999	6
\$25,000 to \$39,999	12
\$40,000 to \$49,999	-
\$50,000 to \$99,999	4
\$100,000 to \$249,999	1
\$250,000 to \$499,999	-
\$500,000 or more	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	3,217
Average per farm (\$)	9,463
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	-754
Average per farm (\$)	-2,219

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	151
Other	188
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	313
Female	26
Average age of principal operator (years)	55.6
All operators ² by race:	
White	491
Black or African American	-
American Indian or Alaska Native	2
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	-
More than one race	2
All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	17

(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.