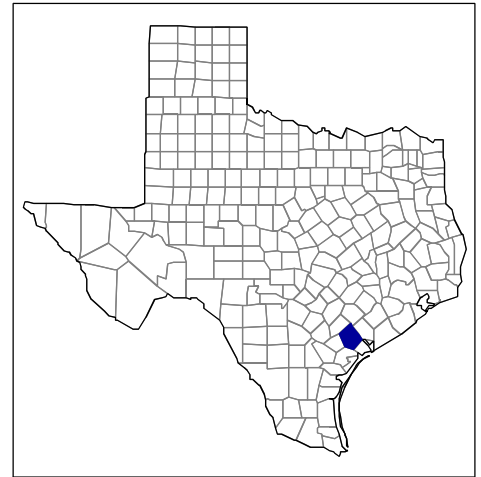




# 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

## Victoria, Texas



### Number of farms

1,286 farms in 2002, 1,294 farms in 1997, down 1 percent.

### Land in farms

513,828 acres in 2002, 470,635 acres in 1997, up 9 percent.

### Average size of farm

400 acres in 2002, 364 acres in 1997, up 10 percent.

### Market Value of Production

\$29,064,000 in 2002, \$29,420,000 in 1997, down 1 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$13,958,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$15,106,000 of the total value in 2002.

### Market Value of Production, average per farm

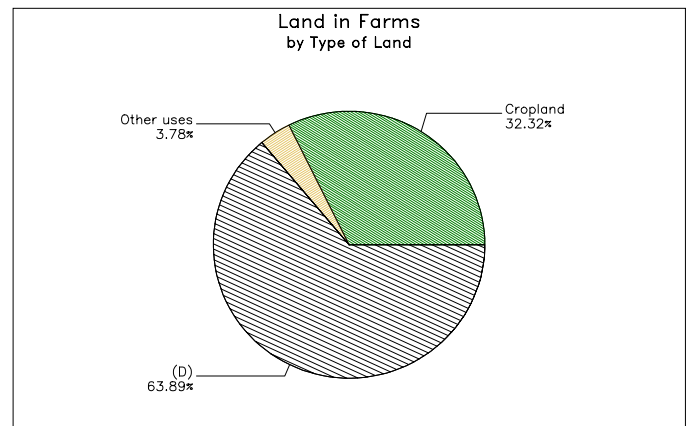
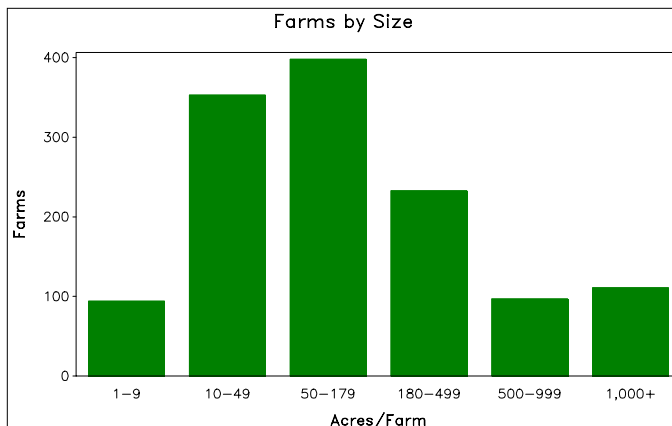
\$22,600 in 2002, \$22,736 in 1997, down 1 percent.

### Government Payments

\$1,909,000 in 2002, \$1,403,000 in 1997, up 36 percent.

### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$14,040 in 2002, \$7,269 in 1997, up 93 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	29,064	129	254	1,735	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	13,958	75	252	1,438	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	15,106	133	254	1,539	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	8,381	37	235	1,058	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	3,534	57	162	222	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	124	117	199	1,600	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	39	145	224	1,693	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	1,282	50	178	990	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	79	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	597	141	250	1,739	3,046
Poultry and eggs	33	93	223	1,575	2,918
Cattle and calves	14,746	103	254	711	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	53	126	157	2,242	2,493
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	235	(D)	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	36	150	250	1,495	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	184	121	253	1,187	3,014
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	110	(D)	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	208	(D)	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	69,544	67	254	307	3,059
Horses and ponies	1,285	101	254	955	3,065
Layers 20 weeks old and older	731	123	237	1,625	2,983
All Goats	687	166	253	759	2,971
Deer	(D)	82	170	(D)	1,080
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Corn for grain	30,708	16	166	652	2,592
Sorghum for grain	14,342	53	194	148	1,307
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	13,473	125	253	1,476	3,059
Soybeans	12,492	3	98	980	2,076
All Cotton	11,458	62	165	242	663

**Other County Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	234	Farming	700
\$1,000 to \$2,499	244	Other	586
\$2,500 to \$4,999	245		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	191	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	140	Male	1,131
\$20,000 to \$24,999	38	Female	155
\$25,000 to \$39,999	72		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	28	Average age of principal operator (years)	56.8
\$50,000 to \$99,999	36		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	33	All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	17	White	1,810
\$500,000 or more	8	Black or African American	41
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	38,473	American Indian or Alaska Native	9
Average per farm (\$)	29,940	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	2
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	-5,402	More than one race	6
Average per farm (\$)	-4,204	All operators <sup>2</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	127

(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.