



## 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

### Dickens, Texas

#### Number of farms

396 farms in 2002, 413 farms in 1997, down 4 percent.

#### Land in farms

567,096 acres in 2002, 542,406 acres in 1997, up 5 percent.

#### Average size of farm

1,432 acres in 2002, 1,313 acres in 1997, up 9 percent.

#### Market Value of Production

\$11,777,000 in 2002, \$14,407,000 in 1997, down 18 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$4,925,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$6,853,000 of the total value in 2002.

#### Market Value of Production, average per farm

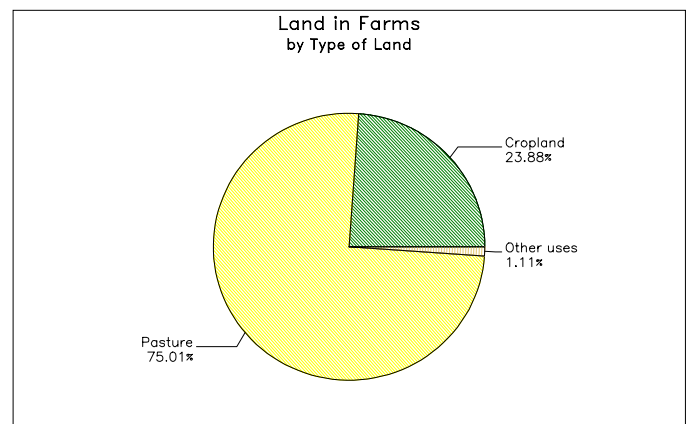
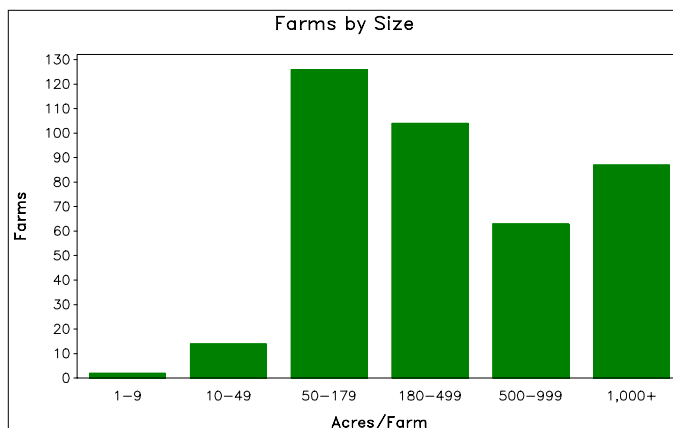
\$29,741 in 2002, \$34,883 in 1997, down 15 percent.

#### Government Payments

\$2,413,000 in 2002, \$2,454,000 in 1997, down 2 percent.

#### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$9,139 in 2002, \$8,549 in 1997, up 7 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	11,777	196	254	2,424	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	4,925	134	252	2,076	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	6,853	189	254	2,145	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	(D)	(D)	235	(D)	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	3,289	59	162	228	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	(D)	(D)	178	(D)	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	79	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	1,078	87	250	1,165	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	223	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	6,472	173	254	1,311	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	-	-	157	-	2,493
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	235	(D)	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	51	126	250	1,256	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	318	75	253	689	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	110	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	208	(D)	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	26,170	168	254	1,187	3,059
All Goats	1,158	128	253	395	2,971
Horses and ponies	838	150	254	1,518	3,065
Sheep and lambs	551	109	244	1,391	2,867
Layers 20 weeks old and older	200	180	237	2,475	2,983
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
All Cotton	24,686	47	165	144	663
All Wheat for grain	11,535	58	202	591	2,517
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	9,979	152	253	1,775	3,059
Sorghum for grain	(D)	145	194	(D)	1,307
Peanuts	(D)	57	112	(D)	398

**Other County Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	156	Farming	234
\$1,000 to \$2,499	31	Other	162
\$2,500 to \$4,999	36		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	31	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	51	Male	342
\$20,000 to \$24,999	12	Female	54
\$25,000 to \$39,999	26		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	5	Average age of principal operator (years)	60.6
\$50,000 to \$99,999	20		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	18	All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	9	White	504
\$500,000 or more	1	Black or African American	8
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	12,507	American Indian or Alaska Native	2
Average per farm (\$)	31,662	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	2,057	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	5,208	All operators <sup>2</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	16

(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.