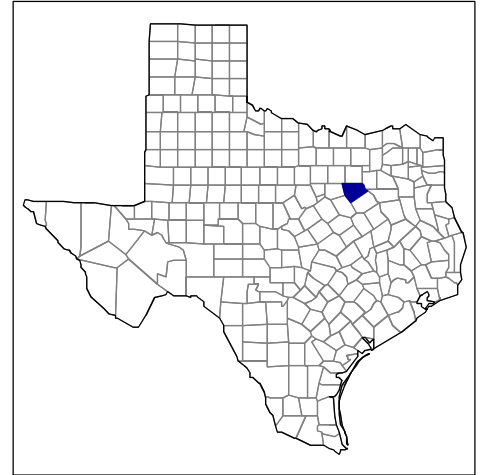




# 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

## Ellis, Texas



### Number of farms

2,089 farms in 2002, 2,083 farms in 1997, up slightly.

### Land in farms

464,039 acres in 2002, 444,949 acres in 1997, up 4 percent.

### Average size of farm

222 acres in 2002, 214 acres in 1997, up 4 percent.

### Market Value of Production

\$43,436,000 in 2002, \$42,246,000 in 1997, up 3 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$26,952,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$16,484,000 of the total value in 2002.

### Market Value of Production, average per farm

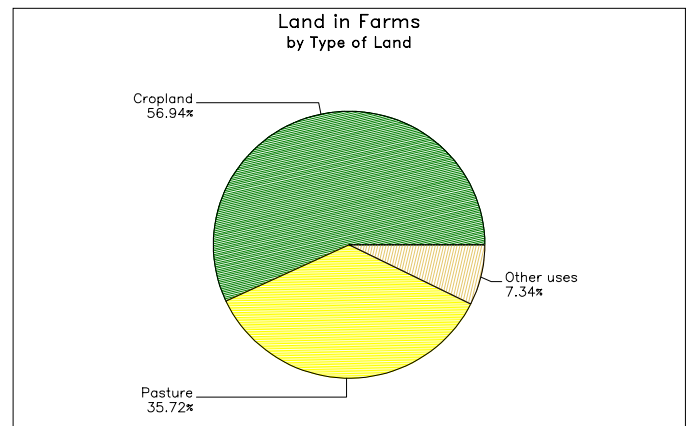
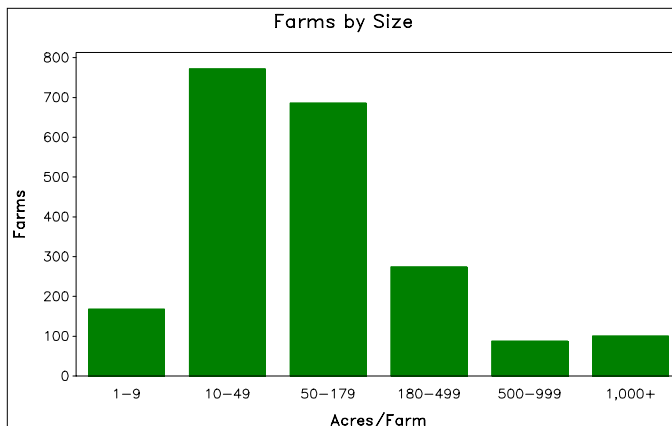
\$20,793 in 2002, \$20,281 in 1997, up 3 percent.

### Government Payments

\$2,584,000 in 2002, \$1,909,000 in 1997, up 35 percent.

### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$8,151 in 2002, \$5,106 in 1997, up 60 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	43,436	84	254	1,334	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	26,952	41	252	942	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	16,484	124	254	1,466	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	13,021	24	235	888	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	6,624	40	162	144	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	5,307	28	178	444	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	79	(D)	1,774
Other crops and hay	1,734	52	250	749	3,046
Poultry and eggs	43	87	223	1,504	2,918
Cattle and calves	11,339	128	254	898	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	(D)	157	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	48	73	235	1,715	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	123	80	250	693	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	(D)	253	(D)	3,014
Aquaculture	4	49	110	1,093	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	18	141	208	1,579	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	53,472	98	254	507	3,059
Horses and ponies	3,443	21	254	144	3,065
Quail	3,379	24	135	192	1,412
Layers 20 weeks old and older	2,905	60	237	891	2,983
All Goats	2,449	78	253	134	2,971
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	58,404	13	253	204	3,059
Corn for grain	36,399	14	166	603	2,592
All Wheat for grain	29,916	32	202	362	2,517
All Cotton	26,066	45	165	139	663
Sorghum for grain	15,590	47	194	137	1,307

**Other County Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	677	Farming	1,010
\$1,000 to \$2,499	419	Other	1,079
\$2,500 to \$4,999	336		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	257	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	172	Male	1,831
\$20,000 to \$24,999	23	Female	258
\$25,000 to \$39,999	51		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	10	Average age of principal operator (years)	56.2
\$50,000 to \$99,999	56		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	55	All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	21	White	2,916
\$500,000 or more	12	Black or African American	41
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	48,584	American Indian or Alaska Native	13
Average per farm (\$)	23,257	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	3
		Asian	9
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	1,502	More than one race	10
Average per farm (\$)	719	All operators <sup>2</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	118

(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.