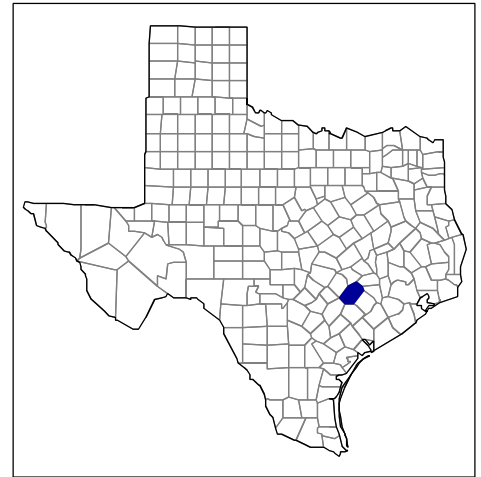


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Number of farms

2,973 farms in 2002, 2,994 farms in 1997, down 1 percent.

Land in farms

552,414 acres in 2002, 526,909 acres in 1997, up 5 percent.

Average size of farm

186 acres in 2002, 176 acres in 1997, up 6 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$51,696,000 in 2002, \$60,650,000 in 1997, down 15 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$5,259,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$46,438,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

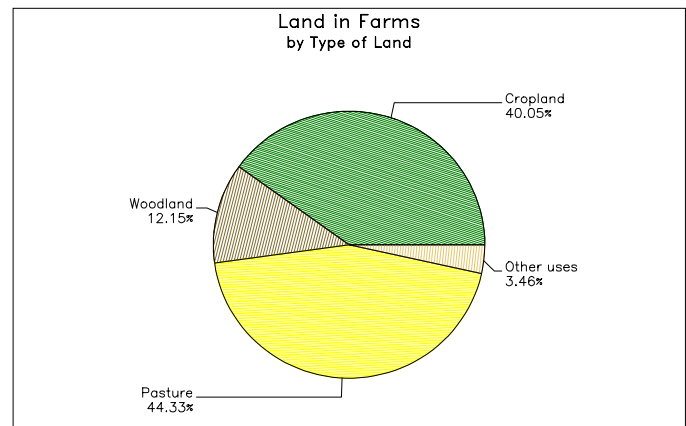
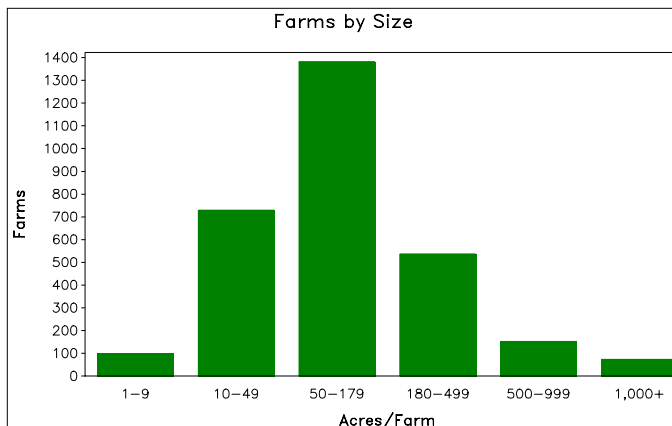
\$17,389 in 2002, \$20,257 in 1997, down 14 percent.

Government Payments

\$498,000 in 2002, \$484,000 in 1997, up 3 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$3,132 in 2002, \$1,787 in 1997, up 75 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	51,696	64	254	1,123	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	5,259	131	252	2,052	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	46,438	42	254	610	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	1,768	101	235	1,609	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	(D)	(D)	162	(D)	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	199	(D)	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	382	42	224	630	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	710	71	178	1,244	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	79	(D)	1,774
Other crops and hay	2,210	37	250	569	3,046
Poultry and eggs	17,501	18	223	333	2,918
Cattle and calves	25,046	58	254	385	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	2,617	38	157	905	2,493
Hogs and pigs	763	9	235	938	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	77	111	250	965	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	398	63	253	534	3,014
Aquaculture	2	58	110	1,182	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	34	115	208	1,305	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Layers 20 weeks old and older	1,638,587	4	237	55	2,983
Cattle and calves	123,155	15	254	80	3,059
Hogs and pigs	5,022	10	238	891	2,926
Horses and ponies	1,859	68	254	544	3,065
All Goats	1,402	116	253	299	2,971
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	65,189	8	253	157	3,059
Corn for grain	14,512	32	166	907	2,592
Sorghum for grain	2,516	104	194	332	1,307
Pecans	1,856	35	222	84	1,194
Corn for silage	355	49	106	1,553	2,307

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	519	Farming	1,581
\$1,000 to \$2,499	583	Other	1,392
\$2,500 to \$4,999	588		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	529	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	367	Male	2,658
\$20,000 to \$24,999	80	Female	315
\$25,000 to \$39,999	140		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	38	Average age of principal operator (years)	58.6
\$50,000 to \$99,999	78		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	30	All operators ² by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	11	White	4,191
\$500,000 or more	10	Black or African American	37
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	57,163	American Indian or Alaska Native	17
Average per farm (\$)	19,299	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	-4,683	More than one race	4
Average per farm (\$)	-1,581	All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	107

(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.