



2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

Austin, Texas



Number of farms

2,086 farms in 2002, 2,106 farms in 1997, down 1 percent.

Land in farms

367,497 acres in 2002, 371,801 acres in 1997, down 1 percent.

Average size of farm

176 acres in 2002, 177 acres in 1997, down 1 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$24,040,000 in 2002, \$24,611,000 in 1997, down 2 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$5,673,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$18,366,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

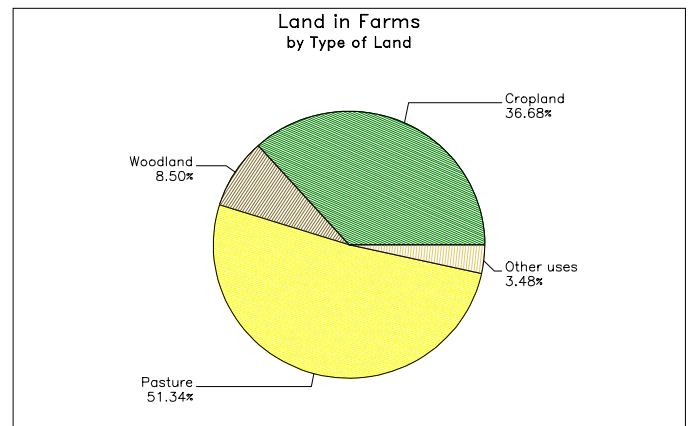
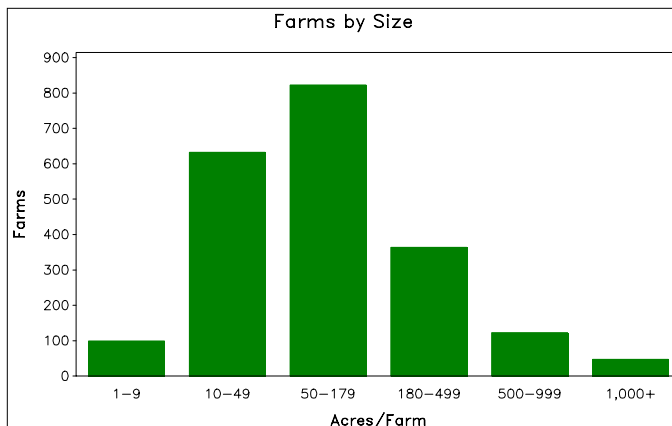
\$11,524 in 2002, \$11,686 in 1997, down 1 percent.

Government Payments

\$590,000 in 2002, \$393,000 in 1997, up 50 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$7,656 in 2002, \$2,999 in 1997, up 155 percent.



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United States Department of Agriculture, Texas Agricultural Statistics Service**

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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	24,040	139	254	1,915	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	5,673	129	252	2,020	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	18,366	119	254	1,369	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	1,926	96	235	1,578	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	920	85	162	364	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	199	(D)	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	148	86	224	1,061	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	1,169	53	178	1,029	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	79	(D)	1,774
Other crops and hay	1,386	72	250	943	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	223	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	17,203	92	254	614	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	-	-	157	-	2,493
Hogs and pigs	37	87	235	1,806	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	(D)	(D)	250	(D)	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	551	41	253	331	3,014
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	110	(D)	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	225	45	208	551	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	91,431	39	254	171	3,059
Layers 20 weeks old and older	(D)	41	237	(D)	2,983
Horses and ponies	2,806	34	254	248	3,065
Deer	1,480	21	170	31	1,080
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	641	58	192	1,030	2,599
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	44,730	31	253	388	3,059
Corn for grain	4,701	69	166	1,300	2,592
Sorghum for grain	3,252	98	194	303	1,307
All Cotton	2,998	90	165	384	663
Rice	1,988	12	21	96	150

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	449
\$1,000 to \$2,499	380
\$2,500 to \$4,999	380
\$5,000 to \$9,999	349
\$10,000 to \$19,999	252
\$20,000 to \$24,999	67
\$25,000 to \$39,999	96
\$40,000 to \$49,999	33
\$50,000 to \$99,999	35
\$100,000 to \$249,999	34
\$250,000 to \$499,999	11
\$500,000 or more	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	34,578
Average per farm (\$)	16,632
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	-6,695
Average per farm (\$)	-3,220

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	1,020
Other	1,066
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	1,803
Female	283
Average age of principal operator (years)	57.3
All operators ² by race:	
White	3,017
Black or African American	69
American Indian or Alaska Native	3
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	1
Asian	11
More than one race	12
All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	65

(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.