

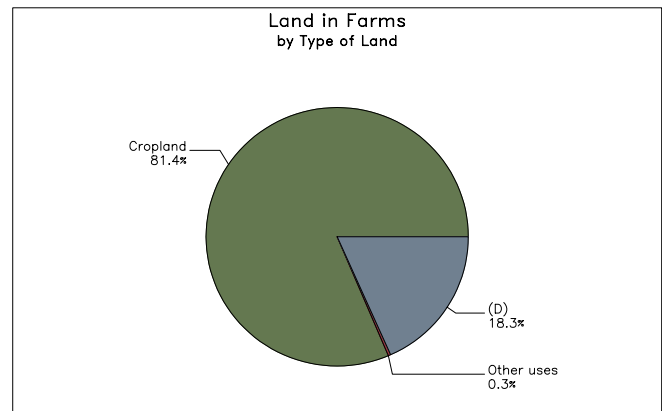
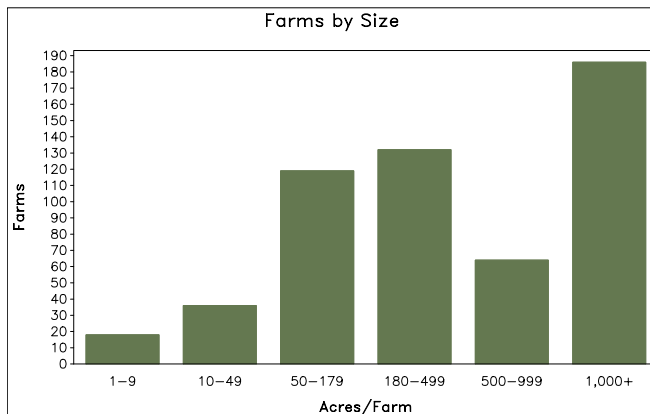
2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Dawson County Texas



	2007	2002	% change
Number of Farms	555	581	- 4
Land in Farms	568,036 acres	572,422 acres	- 1
Average Size of Farm	1,023 acres	985 acres	+ 4
Market Value of Products Sold	\$112,342,000	\$55,388,000	+ 103
Crop Sales \$108,656,000 (97 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$3,686,000 (3 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$202,418	\$95,332	+ 112
Government Payments	\$18,924,000	\$10,279,000	+ 84
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$40,008	\$22,059	+ 81



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Ranked items among the 254 state counties and 3,079 U.S. counties, 2007

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	112,342	38	254	780	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	108,656	12	253	325	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	3,686	231	254	2,574	3,069
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	4,090	100	244	1,560	2,933
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	437
Cotton and cottonseed	99,000	3	161	7	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	199	(D)	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	229	(D)	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	37	141	176	2,316	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	80	-	1,710
Other crops and hay	5,223	41	252	310	3,054
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	240	(D)	3,020
Cattle and calves	3,407	222	254	1,974	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	-	-	158	-	2,493
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	235	(D)	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	17	217	252	2,396	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	38	219	253	2,368	3,024
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	101	(D)	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	232	(D)	2,875
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Cotton, all	281,712	1	161	1	627
Sorghum for grain	16,102	45	187	129	1,158
Wheat for grain, all	9,247	78	199	737	2,481
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	5,008	204	253	2,288	3,060
Peanuts for nuts	4,792	10	70	74	347
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	10,256	231	254	1,979	3,060
Hogs and pigs	256	63	244	1,696	2,958
Goats, all	248	217	252	2,077	3,023
Horses and ponies	247	245	254	2,783	3,066
Elk	(D)	14	124	(D)	824

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	248	Farming	283
\$1,000 to \$2,499	11	Other	272
\$2,500 to \$4,999	9	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	14	Male	444
\$10,000 to \$19,999	14	Female	111
\$20,000 to \$24,999	3	Average age of principal operator (years)	62.8
\$25,000 to \$39,999	11	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	12	American Indian or Alaska Native	11
\$50,000 to \$99,999	21	Asian	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	57	Black or African American	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	64	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	91	White	737
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	74,510	More than one race	7
Average per farm (\$)	134,252	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	34
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	62,073		
Average per farm (\$)	111,844		

See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes, explanations, definitions, and methodology.

(D) Cannot be disclosed. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown.

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.