

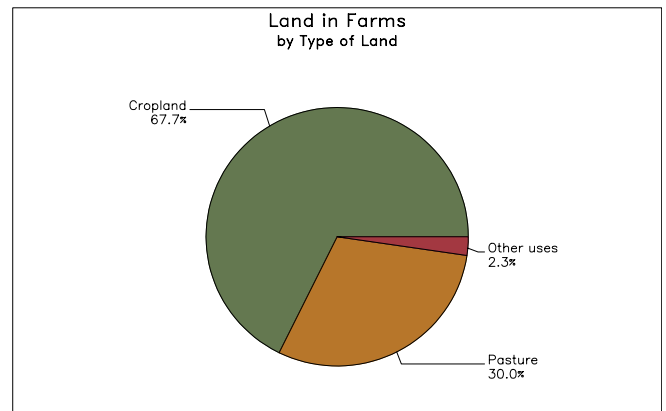
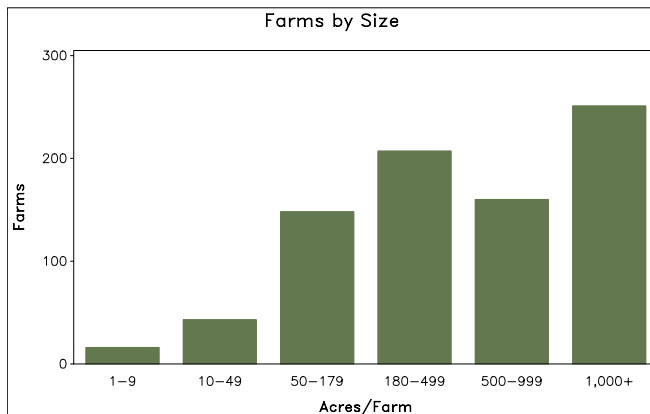
2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Gaines County Texas



	2007	2002	% change
Number of Farms	825	724	+ 14
Land in Farms	947,728 acres	758,896 acres	+ 25
Average Size of Farm	1,149 acres	1,048 acres	+ 10
Market Value of Products Sold	\$193,195,000	\$144,614,000	+ 34
Crop Sales \$187,022,000 (97 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$6,172,000 (3 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$234,175	\$199,744	+ 17
Government Payments	\$28,297,000	\$27,082,000	+ 4
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$43,804	\$51,487	- 15



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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	193,195	24	254	346	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	187,022	2	253	90	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	6,172	214	254	2,335	3,069
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	8,221	66	244	1,317	2,933
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	437
Cotton and cottonseed	106,780	2	161	6	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	12,771	6	199	157	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	56	229	(D)	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	172	176	(D)	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	80	-	1,710
Other crops and hay	58,600	1	252	22	3,054
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	240	(D)	3,020
Cattle and calves	5,550	199	254	1,635	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	-	-	158	-	2,493
Hogs and pigs	24	97	235	1,888	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	186	79	252	673	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	233	113	253	989	3,024
Aquaculture	(D)	42	101	(D)	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	232	(D)	2,875
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Cotton, all	262,094	3	161	3	627
Peanuts for nuts	58,095	1	70	1	347
Wheat for grain, all	28,596	37	199	405	2,481
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	28,414	67	253	730	3,060
Sorghum for grain	13,113	52	187	142	1,158
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	12,786	218	254	1,809	3,060
Layers	(D)	66	246	(D)	3,024
Goats, all	922	160	252	823	3,023
Sheep and lambs	477	128	244	1,471	2,891
Horses and ponies	350	227	254	2,576	3,066

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	340	Farming	478
\$1,000 to \$2,499	12	Other	347
\$2,500 to \$4,999	19		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	17	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	23	Male	675
\$20,000 to \$24,999	10	Female	150
\$25,000 to \$39,999	13		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	5	Average age of principal operator (years)	56.3
\$50,000 to \$99,999	40		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	102	All operators by race ² :	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	138	American Indian or Alaska Native	4
\$500,000 or more	106	Asian	1
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	146,151	Black or African American	-
Average per farm (\$)	177,153	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	1
		White	1,107
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	87,438	More than one race	5
Average per farm (\$)	105,986	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	74

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.