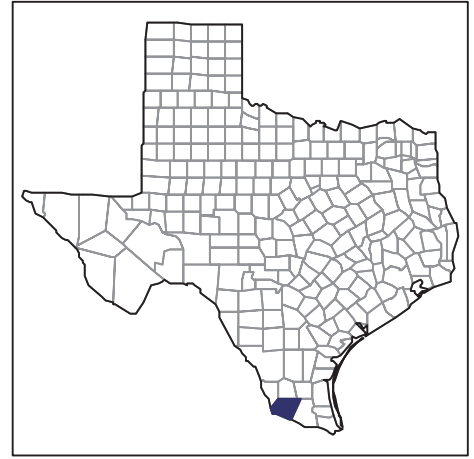


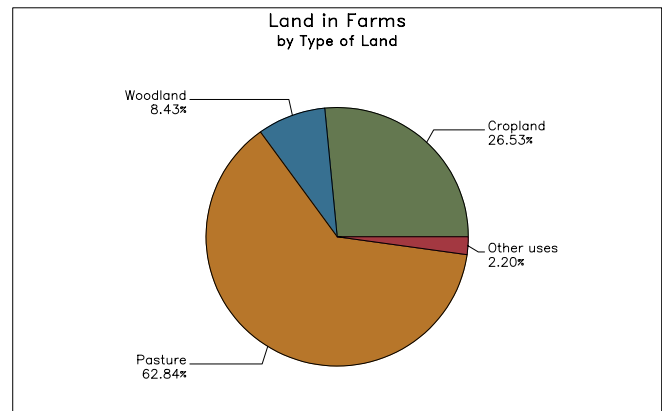
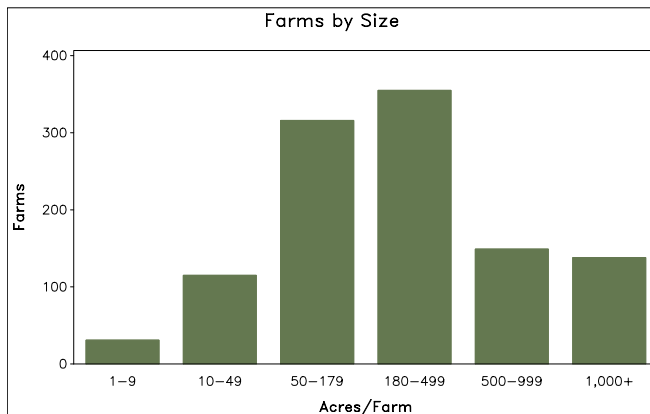
# 2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

## County Profile

### Starr County Texas



	2007	2002	% change
<b>Number of Farms</b>	1,104	870	+ 27
<b>Land in Farms</b>	652,780 acres	570,430 acres	+ 14
<b>Average Size of Farm</b>	591 acres	656 acres	- 10
<b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>	\$64,352,000	\$66,744,000	- 4
Crop Sales \$12,579,000 (20 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$51,773,000 (80 percent)			
<b>Average Per Farm</b>	\$58,290	\$76,717	- 24
<b>Government Payments</b>	\$2,409,000	\$2,412,000	0
<b>Average Per Farm Receiving Payments</b>	\$11,206	\$7,705	+ 45



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### Starr County – Texas

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

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	64,352	72	254	1,329	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	12,579	119	253	1,735	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	51,773	46	254	770	3,069
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	7,602	69	244	1,339	2,933
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	437
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	161	-	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	2,641	25	199	500	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	229	(D)	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	163	176	(D)	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	80	-	1,710
Other crops and hay	2,224	109	252	784	3,054
Poultry and eggs	(D)	160	240	2,389	3,020
Cattle and calves	50,492	27	254	231	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	147	158	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	5	182	235	2,504	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	51	162	252	1,625	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	1,090	26	253	197	3,024
Aquaculture	-	-	101	-	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	117	95	232	934	2,875
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Sorghum for grain	39,236	19	187	50	1,158
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	17,955	108	253	1,138	3,060
Corn for grain	1,123	94	183	1,837	2,634
Vegetables harvested for sale	756	35	199	607	2,794
Field and grass seed crops, all	382	7	94	202	931
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	61,657	68	254	398	3,060
Horses and ponies	1,223	124	254	1,121	3,066
Goats, all	1,102	148	252	669	3,023
Layers	916	121	246	1,705	3,024
Sheep and lambs	503	125	244	1,440	2,891

#### Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	430	Farming	491
\$1,000 to \$2,499	148	Other	613
\$2,500 to \$4,999	156	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	147	Male	967
\$10,000 to \$19,999	85	Female	137
\$20,000 to \$24,999	25	Average age of principal operator (years)	58.2
\$25,000 to \$39,999	35	All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	8	American Indian or Alaska Native	15
\$50,000 to \$99,999	25	Asian	2
\$100,000 to \$249,999	26	Black or African American	4
\$250,000 to \$499,999	5	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	14	White	1,538
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	65,451	More than one race	37
Average per farm (\$)	59,286	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup>	1,447
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	3,759		
Average per farm (\$)	3,405		

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.

<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.