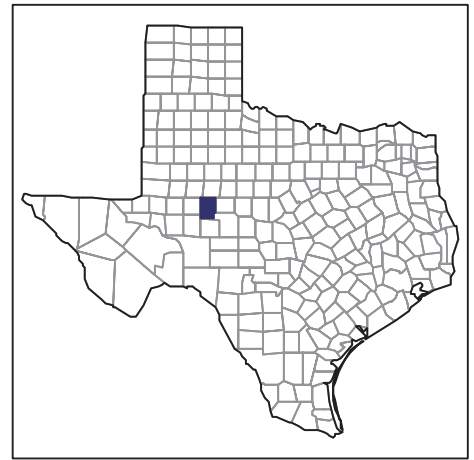


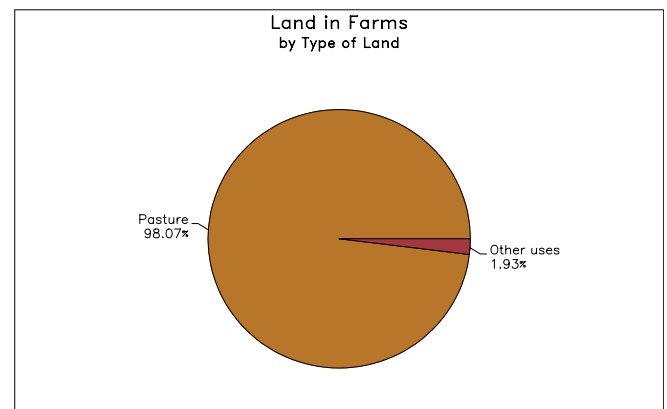
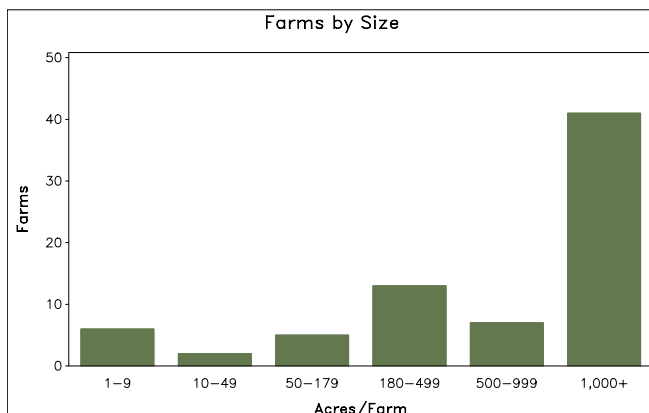
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## County Profile

### Sterling County Texas



	2007	2002	% change
<b>Number of Farms</b>	74	66	+ 12
<b>Land in Farms</b>	578,316 acres	633,007 acres	- 9
<b>Average Size of Farm</b>	7,815 acres	9,591 acres	- 19
<b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>	(D)	\$5,788,000	
Crop Sales (D)			
Livestock Sales (D)			
Average Per Farm	(D)	\$87,703	
<b>Government Payments</b>	\$549,000	\$562,000	- 2
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$19,621	\$29,586	- 34



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## County Profile

### Sterling 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	(D)	(D)	254	(D)	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	(D)	252	253	(D)	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	(D)	213	254	2,333	3,069
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	(D)	(D)	244	(D)	2,933
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	437
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	161	-	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	-	-	199	-	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	-	-	229	-	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	-	-	176	-	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	80	-	1,710
Other crops and hay	-	-	252	-	3,054
Poultry and eggs	-	-	240	-	3,020
Cattle and calves	(D)	211	254	(D)	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	-	-	158	-	2,493
Hogs and pigs	-	-	235	-	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	(D)	15	252	(D)	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	246	253	(D)	3,024
Aquaculture	-	-	101	-	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	16	164	232	1,860	2,875
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Wheat for grain, all	1,656	128	199	1,427	2,481
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	(D)	253	253	3,052	3,060
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Sheep and lambs	21,408	14	244	50	2,891
Cattle and calves	12,292	221	254	1,833	3,060
Goats, all	6,730	39	252	49	3,023
Horses and ponies	292	237	254	2,692	3,066
Bison	102	14	162	304	1,543

### Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	18	Farming	44
\$1,000 to \$2,499	3	Other	30
\$2,500 to \$4,999	6	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	9	Male	63
\$10,000 to \$19,999	9	Female	11
\$20,000 to \$24,999	1	Average age of principal operator (years)	57.0
\$25,000 to \$39,999	7	All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	1	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$50,000 to \$99,999	3	Asian	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	10	Black or African American	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	5	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	2	White	121
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	7,590	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	102,571	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup>	2
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	218		
Average per farm (\$)	2,945		

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.