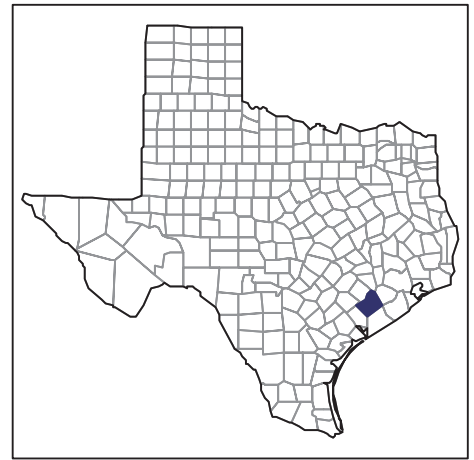


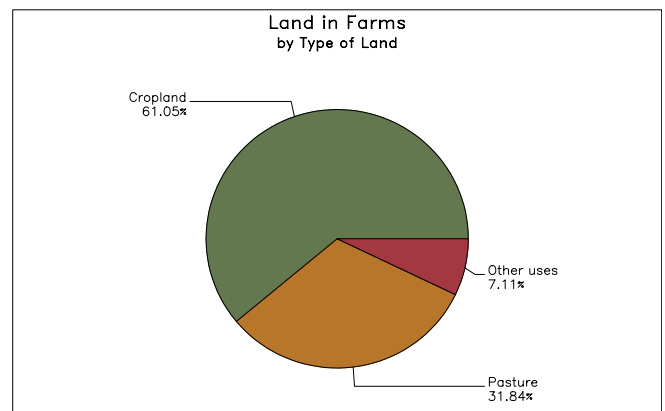
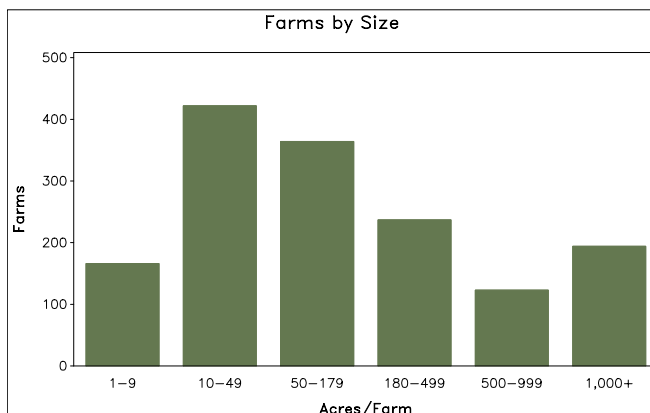
2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Wharton County Texas



	2007	2002	% change
Number of Farms	1,506	1,538	- 2
Land in Farms	615,851 acres	637,982 acres	- 3
Average Size of Farm	409 acres	415 acres	- 1
Market Value of Products Sold	\$240,197,000	\$146,370,000	+ 64
Crop Sales \$146,003,000 (61 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$94,194,000 (39 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$159,493	\$95,169	+ 68
Government Payments	\$12,968,000	\$15,171,000	- 15
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$19,530	\$23,127	- 16



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County Profile

Wharton County – Texas

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	240,197	20	254	238	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	146,003	7	253	173	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	94,194	30	254	424	3,069
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	65,604	11	244	447	2,933
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	437
Cotton and cottonseed	(D)	(D)	161	(D)	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	450	67	199	1,110	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	746	49	229	552	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	56,886	3	176	60	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	80	-	1,710
Other crops and hay	(D)	(D)	252	(D)	3,054
Poultry and eggs	(D)	5	240	(D)	3,020
Cattle and calves	(D)	(D)	254	(D)	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	42	106	158	2,134	2,493
Hogs and pigs	6	175	235	2,450	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	96	117	252	1,131	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	222	120	253	1,031	3,024
Aquaculture	2,550	4	101	99	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	232	(D)	2,875
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Corn for grain	62,290	9	183	505	2,634
Cotton, all	56,126	24	161	44	627
Sorghum for grain	53,424	7	187	17	1,158
Rice	35,990	1	20	27	135
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	32,454	59	253	626	3,060
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Layers	(D)	2	246	(D)	3,024
Pullets for laying flock replacement	(D)	2	197	(D)	2,627
Cattle and calves	76,780	46	254	251	3,060
Sheep and lambs	2,459	52	244	411	2,891
Colonies of bees	(D)	(D)	178	(D)	2,640

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	374	Farming	713
\$1,000 to \$2,499	147	Other	793
\$2,500 to \$4,999	161	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	158	Male	1,353
\$10,000 to \$19,999	122	Female	153
\$20,000 to \$24,999	44	Average age of principal operator (years)	57.2
\$25,000 to \$39,999	84	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	41	American Indian or Alaska Native	9
\$50,000 to \$99,999	90	Asian	1
\$100,000 to \$249,999	110	Black or African American	149
\$250,000 to \$499,999	98	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	77	White	2,040
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	183,615	More than one race	11
Average per farm (\$)	121,922	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	148
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	80,012		
Average per farm (\$)	53,129		

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.