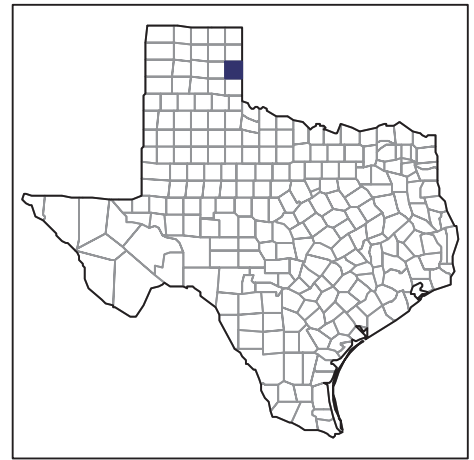


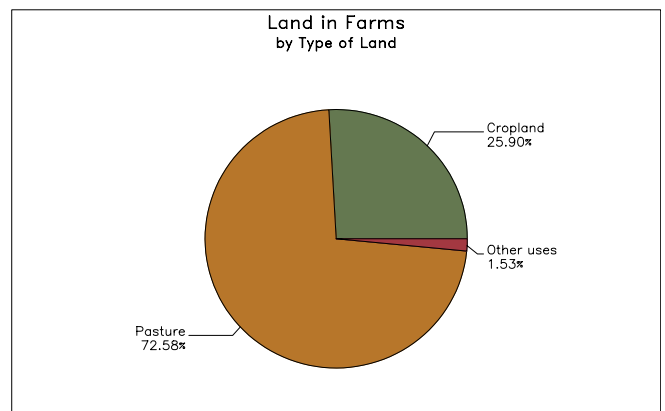
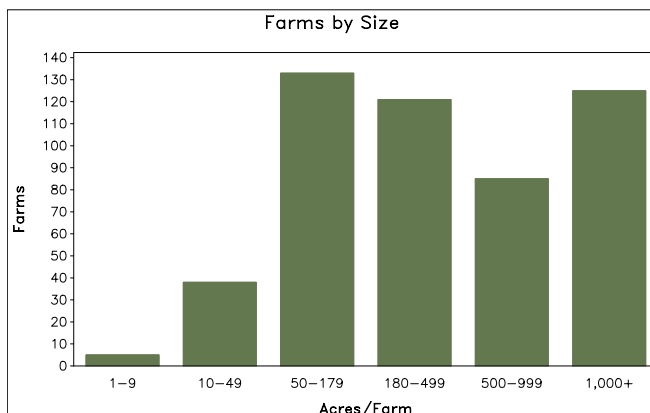
2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Wheeler County Texas



	2007	2002	% change
Number of Farms	507	565	- 10
Land in Farms	583,522 acres	533,569 acres	+ 9
Average Size of Farm	1,151 acres	944 acres	+ 22
Market Value of Products Sold	\$129,478,000	\$94,022,000	+ 38
Crop Sales \$7,925,000 (6 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$121,552,000 (94 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$255,380	\$166,410	+ 53
Government Payments	\$3,608,000	\$2,698,000	+ 34
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$11,677	\$8,619	+ 35



2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Wheeler 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	129,478	31	254	668	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	7,925	150	253	1,994	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	121,552	25	254	286	3,069
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	2,637	120	244	1,704	2,933
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	437
Cotton and cottonseed	2,481	78	161	271	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	191	199	(D)	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	229	(D)	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	2,793	89	252	612	3,054
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	240	(D)	3,020
Cattle and calves	121,507	18	254	78	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	-	-	158	-	2,493
Hogs and pigs	2	199	235	2,683	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	5	234	252	2,780	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	33	221	253	2,426	3,024
Aquaculture	-	-	101	-	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	232	232	(D)	2,875
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	24,997	76	253	852	3,060
Wheat for grain, all	9,793	77	199	710	2,481
Cotton, all	7,814	74	161	251	627
Sorghum for grain	3,503	98	187	284	1,158
Rye for grain	2,683	2	47	9	977
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	91,397	31	254	171	3,060
Horses and ponies	508	200	254	2,221	3,066
Layers	212	182	246	2,629	3,024
Goats, all	67	238	252	2,698	3,023
Pigeons or squab	(D)	(D)	134	(D)	1,501

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	211	Farming	201
\$1,000 to \$2,499	24	Other	306
\$2,500 to \$4,999	26	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	45	Male	432
\$10,000 to \$19,999	49	Female	75
\$20,000 to \$24,999	12	Average age of principal operator (years)	62.3
\$25,000 to \$39,999	32	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	16	American Indian or Alaska Native	5
\$50,000 to \$99,999	41	Asian	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	34	Black or African American	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	4	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	13	White	720
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	119,723	More than one race	19
Average per farm (\$)	236,140	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	10
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	15,198		
Average per farm (\$)	29,976		

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.