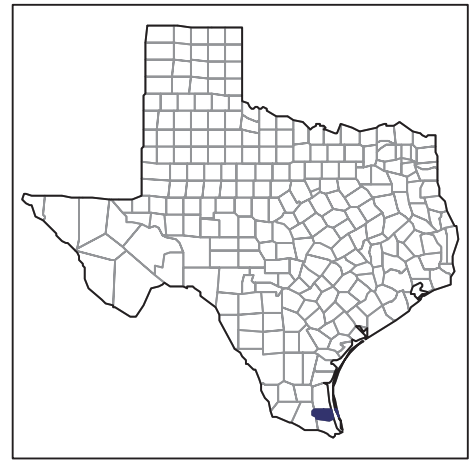


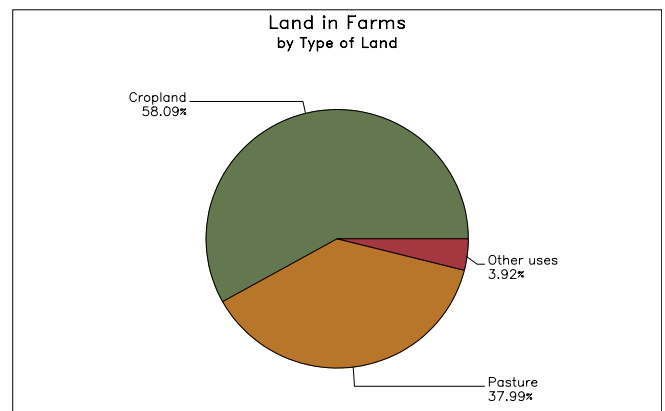
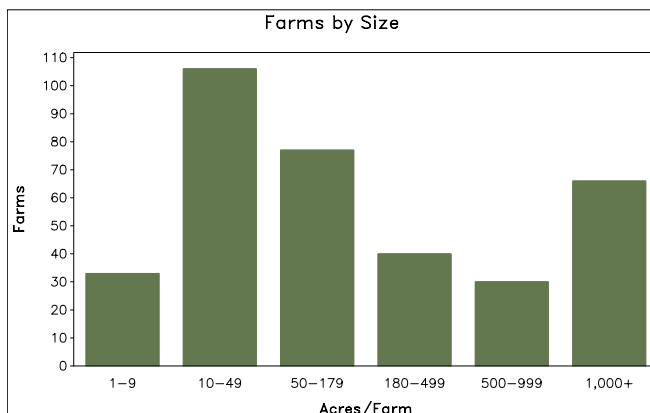
2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Willacy County Texas



	2007	2002	% change
Number of Farms	352	334	+ 5
Land in Farms	338,048 acres	369,893 acres	- 9
Average Size of Farm	960 acres	1,107 acres	- 13
Market Value of Products Sold	\$51,200,000	\$18,907,000	+ 171
Crop Sales \$46,178,000 (90 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$5,021,000 (10 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$145,453	\$56,608	+ 157
Government Payments	\$6,422,000	\$2,817,000	+ 128
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$31,024	\$19,296	+ 61



2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Willacy 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	51,200	101	254	1,540	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	46,178	41	253	913	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	5,021	223	254	2,437	3,069
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	26,517	25	244	868	2,933
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	437
Cotton and cottonseed	13,666	36	161	92	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	1,028	45	199	803	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	122	229	(D)	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	131	176	(D)	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	80	-	1,710
Other crops and hay	4,727	50	252	344	3,054
Poultry and eggs	9	169	240	2,492	3,020
Cattle and calves	4,971	207	254	1,713	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	-	-	158	-	2,493
Hogs and pigs	(D)	227	235	2,881	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	22	209	252	2,243	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	248	253	(D)	3,024
Aquaculture	(D)	92	101	(D)	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	232	(D)	2,875
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Sorghum for grain	105,077	4	187	4	1,158
Cotton, all	44,498	29	161	61	627
Sugarcane for sugar	(D)	3	3	24	38
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	3,121	222	253	2,574	3,060
Corn for grain	1,616	91	183	1,748	2,634
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	14,354	208	254	1,701	3,060
Goats, all	336	211	252	1,845	3,023
Horses and ponies	321	231	254	2,642	3,066
Layers	199	187	246	2,661	3,024
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	96	Farming	182
\$1,000 to \$2,499	33	Other	170
\$2,500 to \$4,999	42	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	23	Male	319
\$10,000 to \$19,999	20	Female	33
\$20,000 to \$24,999	9	Average age of principal operator (years)	56.2
\$25,000 to \$39,999	5	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	13	American Indian or Alaska Native	1
\$50,000 to \$99,999	21	Asian	4
\$100,000 to \$249,999	37	Black or African American	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	18	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	35	White	482
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	40,755	More than one race	2
Average per farm (\$)	115,782	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	243
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	20,849		
Average per farm (\$)	59,230		

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.