

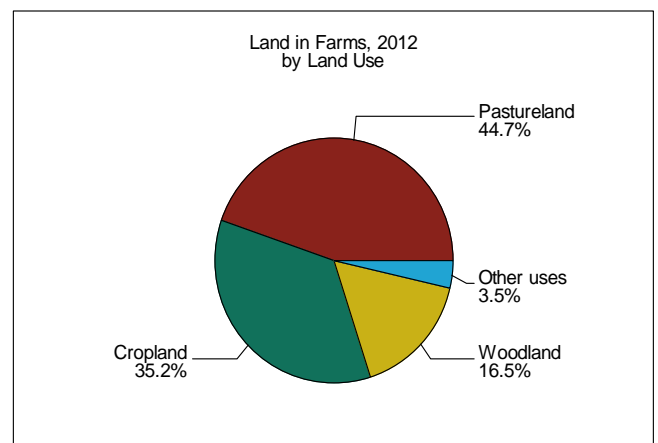
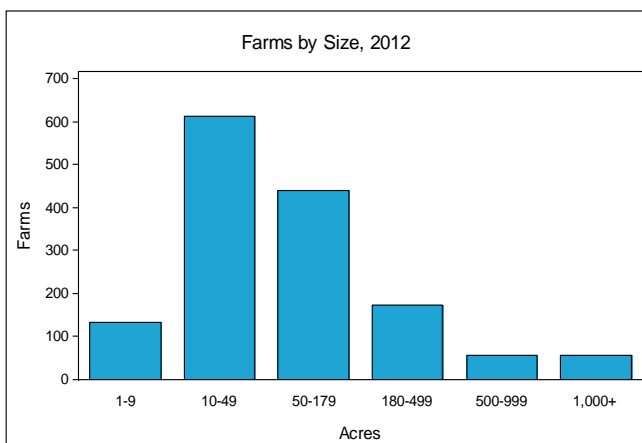
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



Liberty County Texas

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	1,470	1,589	- 7
Land in Farms	286,793 acres	297,855 acres	- 4
Average Size of Farm	195 acres	187 acres	+ 4
Market Value of Products Sold			
	\$34,939,000	\$25,076,000	+ 39
Crop Sales \$14,705,000 (42 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$20,234,000 (58 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$23,768	\$15,781	+ 51
Government Payments			
	\$1,494,000	\$1,603,000	- 7
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$16,597	\$17,425	- 5





Liberty County – Texas

Ranked items among the 254 state counties and 3,079 U.S. counties, 2012

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	34,939	151	254	2,038	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	14,705	112	253	1,883	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	20,234	127	254	1,610	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	6,648	85	238	1,658	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	165	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	56	135	199	2,125	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	70	169	215	1,616	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	2,717	48	165	645	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	46	-	1,530
Other crops and hay	5,214	62	252	562	3,049
Poultry and eggs	142	71	241	1,296	3,013
Cattle and calves	17,776	108	254	885	3,056
Milk from cows	(D)	94	105	(D)	2,038
Hogs and pigs	26	92	227	1,697	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	69	151	251	1,679	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	560	63	254	495	3,011
Aquaculture	(D)	44	91	(D)	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	1,633	13	236	152	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	50,915	25	252	204	3,057
Sorghum for grain	3,698	83	177	212	1,220
Soybeans for beans	3,525	12	77	1,381	2,162
Rice	3,127	11	20	83	146
Corn for grain	(D)	(D)	163	(D)	2,638
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	49,217	71	254	514	3,063
Colonies of bees	13,808	2	177	52	2,761
Layers	8,458	49	249	712	3,040
Horses and ponies	2,739	42	254	253	3,072
Goats, all	1,327	116	250	380	2,996

Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	463	Farming	676
\$1,000 to \$2,499	241	Other	794
\$2,500 to \$4,999	207		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	222	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	127	Male	1,233
\$20,000 to \$24,999	38	Female	237
\$25,000 to \$39,999	68		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	20	Average age of principal operator (years)	58.9
\$50,000 to \$99,999	35		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	28	All operators by race ² :	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	11	American Indian or Alaska Native	11
\$500,000 or more	10	Asian	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	42,569	Black or African American	241
Average per farm (\$)	28,959	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	5
		White	2,006
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	-4,014	More than one race	8
Average per farm (\$)	-2,730	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	176

See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes, explanations, definitions, and methodology.

- Represents zero. (D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

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.