



2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

Comanche, Texas



Number of farms

1,352 farms in 2002, 1,608 farms in 1997, down 16 percent.

Land in farms

543,386 acres in 2002, 541,607 acres in 1997, up slightly.

Average size of farm

402 acres in 2002, 337 acres in 1997, up 19 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$102,513,000 in 2002, \$94,670,000 in 1997, up 8 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$14,637,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$87,876,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

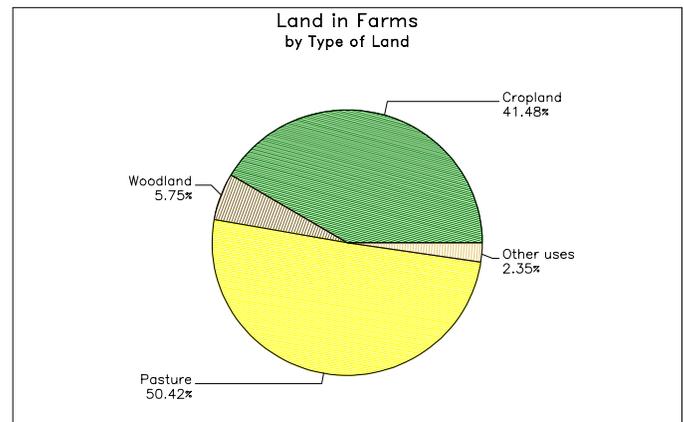
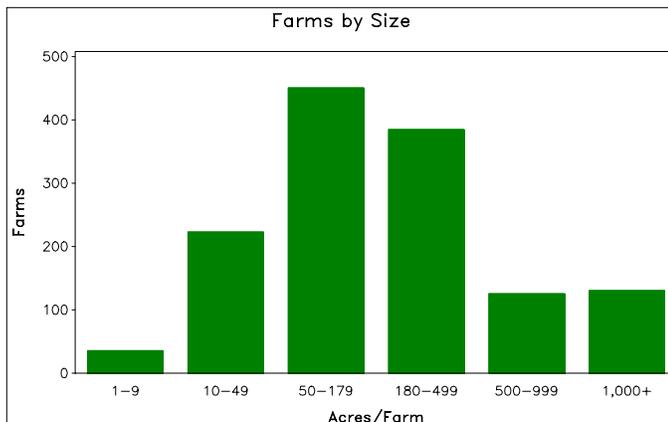
\$75,823 in 2002, \$58,874 in 1997, up 29 percent.

Government Payments

\$2,145,000 in 2002, \$513,000 in 1997, up 318 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$6,601 in 2002, \$1,839 in 1997, up 259 percent.



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Ranked items among the 254 state counties and 3,078 U.S. counties, 2002

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	102,513	27	254	491	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	14,637	72	252	1,400	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	87,876	23	254	258	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	2,922	84	235	1,431	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	162	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	3,030	24	199	427	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	3,376	5	224	184	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	803	65	178	1,195	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	79	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	4,506	17	250	272	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	223	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	28,876	46	254	320	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	58,109	3	157	60	2,493
Hogs and pigs	271	22	235	1,177	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	302	52	250	303	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	289	86	253	763	3,014
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	110	(D)	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	26	127	208	1,409	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	112,412	24	254	101	3,059
All Goats	5,904	42	253	48	2,971
Sheep and lambs	3,121	46	244	361	2,867
Horses and ponies	1,876	66	254	540	3,065
Hogs and pigs	725	54	238	1,463	2,926
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	63,564	9	253	165	3,059
Pecans	15,563	1	222	2	1,194
Corn for silage	7,048	8	106	248	2,307
Sorghum for silage	4,882	3	160	5	1,387
Peanuts	4,530	15	112	75	398

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	235
\$1,000 to \$2,499	180
\$2,500 to \$4,999	163
\$5,000 to \$9,999	222
\$10,000 to \$19,999	185
\$20,000 to \$24,999	49
\$25,000 to \$39,999	105
\$40,000 to \$49,999	25
\$50,000 to \$99,999	78
\$100,000 to \$249,999	62
\$250,000 to \$499,999	18
\$500,000 or more	30
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	87,227
Average per farm (\$)	64,422
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	19,850
Average per farm (\$)	14,661

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	803
Other	549
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	1,240
Female	112
Average age of principal operator (years)	58.1
All operators ² by race:	
White	1,888
Black or African American	-
American Indian or Alaska Native	17
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	8
More than one race	4
All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	62

(D) Cannot be disclosed. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown. See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

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.