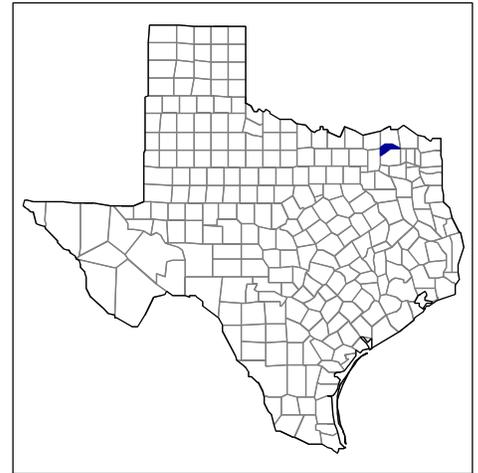


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Number of farms

507 farms in 2002, 482 farms in 1997, up 5 percent.

Land in farms

141,992 acres in 2002, 122,048 acres in 1997, up 16 percent.

Average size of farm

280 acres in 2002, 253 acres in 1997, up 11 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$10,675,000 in 2002, \$11,804,000 in 1997, down 10 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$4,785,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$5,890,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

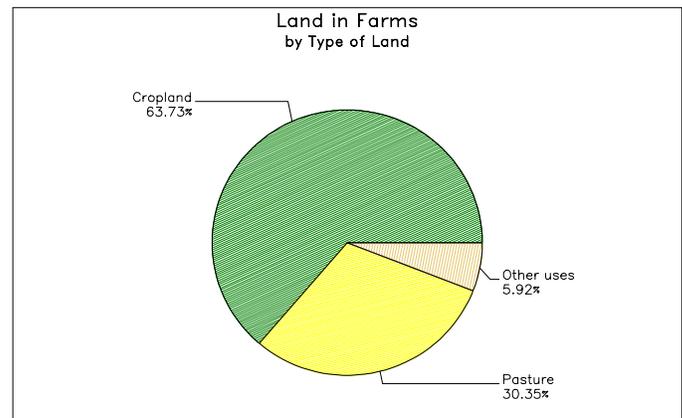
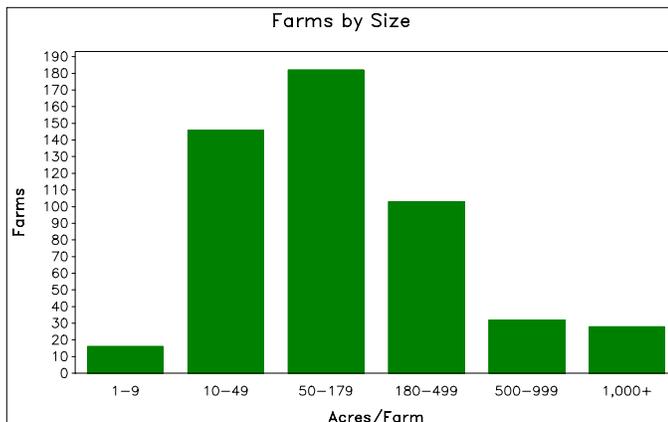
\$21,055 in 2002, \$24,490 in 1997, down 14 percent.

Government Payments

\$732,000 in 2002, \$818,000 in 1997, down 11 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$5,671 in 2002, \$5,177 in 1997, up 10 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	10,675	200	254	2,474	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	4,785	135	252	2,096	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	5,890	205	254	2,241	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	3,982	68	235	1,323	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	(D)	(D)	162	(D)	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	6	179	199	2,562	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	6	200	224	2,350	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	-	-	178	-	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	79	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	(D)	(D)	250	(D)	3,046
Poultry and eggs	5	152	223	2,203	2,918
Cattle and calves	5,079	191	254	1,507	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	(D)	157	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	1	216	235	2,810	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	7	219	250	2,488	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	(D)	253	(D)	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	110	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	(Z)	191	208	2,569	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	20,047	187	254	1,450	3,059
Horses and ponies	1,002	124	254	1,280	3,065
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	547	64	192	1,081	2,599
Layers 20 weeks old and older	487	138	237	1,918	2,983
Sheep and lambs	124	173	244	2,180	2,867
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	16,689	107	253	1,263	3,059
All Wheat for grain	11,205	59	202	604	2,517
Soybeans	10,395	6	98	1,026	2,076
Corn for grain	5,450	64	166	1,241	2,592
Corn for silage	3,957	12	106	453	2,307

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	176	Farming	283
\$1,000 to \$2,499	55	Other	224
\$2,500 to \$4,999	77		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	60	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	51	Male	437
\$20,000 to \$24,999	17	Female	70
\$25,000 to \$39,999	28		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	8	Average age of principal operator (years)	53.6
\$50,000 to \$99,999	14		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	15	All operators ² by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	3	White	684
\$500,000 or more	3	Black or African American	8
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	10,066	American Indian or Alaska Native	17
Average per farm (\$)	19,894	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	3
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	1,522	More than one race	2
Average per farm (\$)	3,007	All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	21

(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.