



# 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

## Hamilton, Texas

### Number of farms

996 farms in 2002, 1,097 farms in 1997, down 9 percent.

### Land in farms

449,671 acres in 2002, 476,774 acres in 1997, down 6 percent.

### Average size of farm

451 acres in 2002, 435 acres in 1997, up 4 percent.

### Market Value of Production

\$41,603,000 in 2002, \$52,967,000 in 1997, down 21 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$2,623,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$38,980,000 of the total value in 2002.

### Market Value of Production, average per farm

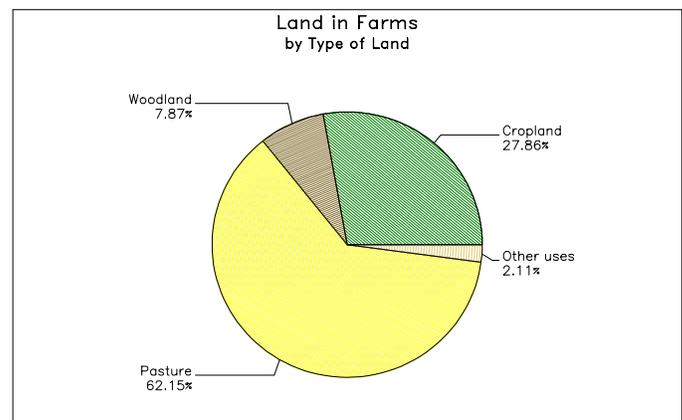
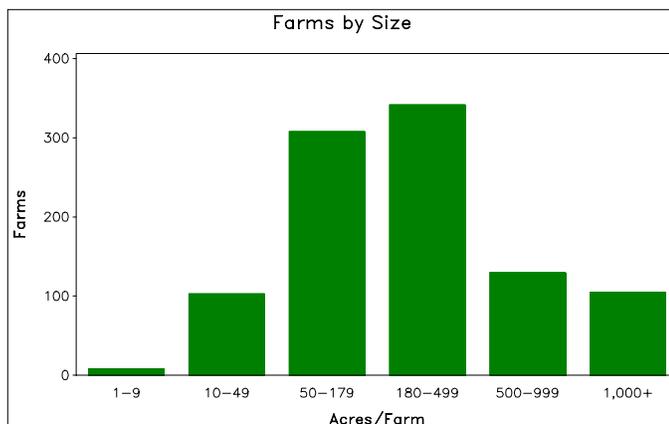
\$41,770 in 2002, \$48,283 in 1997, down 13 percent.

### Government Payments

\$1,028,000 in 2002, \$419,000 in 1997, up 145 percent.

### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$3,710 in 2002, \$1,894 in 1997, up 96 percent.



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

Item	Quantity	State Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>	U.S. Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)</b>					
Total value of agricultural products sold	41,603	91	254	1,386	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	2,623	172	252	2,401	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	38,980	50	254	740	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	1,538	108	235	1,658	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	162	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	199	(D)	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	224	(D)	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	552	151	250	1,823	3,046
Poultry and eggs	9	139	223	2,018	2,918
Cattle and calves	18,064	86	254	578	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	19,177	7	157	230	2,493
Hogs and pigs	4	187	235	2,579	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	1,313	19	250	72	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	220	109	253	1,027	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	110	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	192	51	208	613	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	63,734	76	254	370	3,059
All Goats	13,947	24	253	24	2,971
Sheep and lambs	11,768	24	244	107	2,867
Deer	1,414	23	170	33	1,080
Horses and ponies	1,334	99	254	909	3,065
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	27,574	69	253	809	3,059
Oats	9,916	1	173	18	2,215
All Wheat for grain	3,932	102	202	1,013	2,517
Pecans	2,441	23	222	65	1,194
Sorghum for grain	2,076	109	194	357	1,307

**Other County Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	204	Farming	554
\$1,000 to \$2,499	152	Other	442
\$2,500 to \$4,999	152		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	147	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	134	Male	908
\$20,000 to \$24,999	37	Female	88
\$25,000 to \$39,999	57		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	19	Average age of principal operator (years)	59.1
\$50,000 to \$99,999	40		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	26	All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	14	White	1,420
\$500,000 or more	14	Black or African American	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	39,912	American Indian or Alaska Native	13
Average per farm (\$)	39,951	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	-
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	4,038	More than one race	12
Average per farm (\$)	4,042	All operators <sup>2</sup> 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.

<sup>1</sup> Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item.

<sup>2</sup> Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.