



2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

Karnes, Texas



Number of farms

1,157 farms in 2002, 1,159 farms in 1997, down slightly.

Land in farms

474,806 acres in 2002, 409,480 acres in 1997, up 16 percent.

Average size of farm

410 acres in 2002, 353 acres in 1997, up 16 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$18,244,000 in 2002, \$15,565,000 in 1997, up 17 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$2,681,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$15,563,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

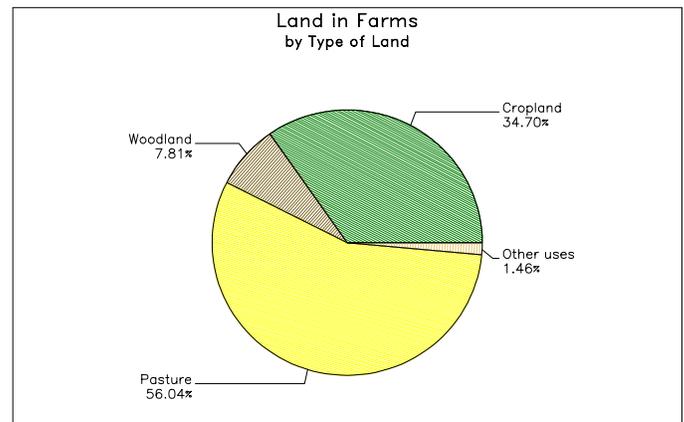
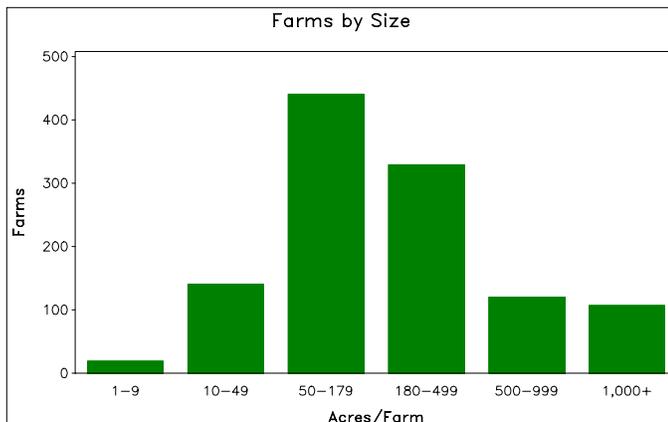
\$15,769 in 2002, \$13,430 in 1997, up 17 percent.

Government Payments

\$943,000 in 2002, \$671,000 in 1997, up 41 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$3,060 in 2002, \$2,423 in 1997, up 26 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	18,244	163	254	2,161	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	2,681	171	252	2,388	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	15,563	131	254	1,514	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	935	126	235	1,792	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	(D)	(D)	162	(D)	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	(D)	(D)	178	(D)	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	79	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	764	120	250	1,515	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	223	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	14,899	102	254	704	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	(D)	157	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	235	(D)	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	78	110	250	959	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	104	162	253	1,737	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	110	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	208	(D)	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	74,623	60	254	268	3,059
Layers 20 weeks old and older	(D)	43	237	(D)	2,983
All Goats	2,288	86	253	153	2,971
Horses and ponies	973	129	254	1,325	3,065
Sheep and lambs	327	135	244	1,707	2,867
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	32,147	54	253	666	3,059
Corn for grain	12,051	42	166	982	2,592
Sorghum for grain	3,292	97	194	301	1,307
All Wheat for grain	3,210	111	202	1,098	2,517
All Cotton	1,741	99	165	440	663

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	190
\$1,000 to \$2,499	180
\$2,500 to \$4,999	189
\$5,000 to \$9,999	210
\$10,000 to \$19,999	178
\$20,000 to \$24,999	39
\$25,000 to \$39,999	71
\$40,000 to \$49,999	31
\$50,000 to \$99,999	38
\$100,000 to \$249,999	22
\$250,000 to \$499,999	9
\$500,000 or more	-
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	21,625
Average per farm (\$)	19,003
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	-3,353
Average per farm (\$)	-2,946

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	649
Other	508
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	1,044
Female	113
Average age of principal operator (years)	57.8
All operators ² by race:	
White	1,641
Black or African American	11
American Indian or Alaska Native	9
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	-
More than one race	1
All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	148

(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.