

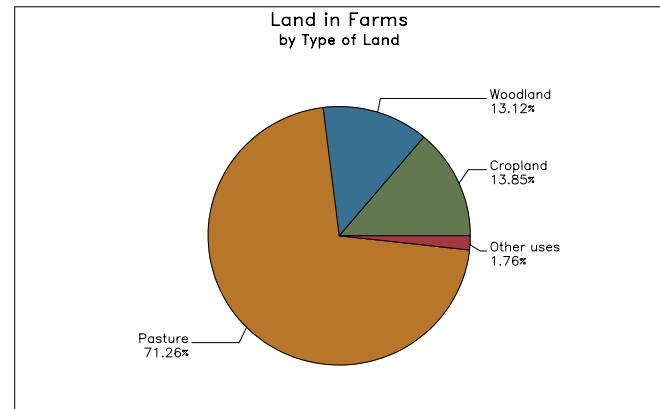
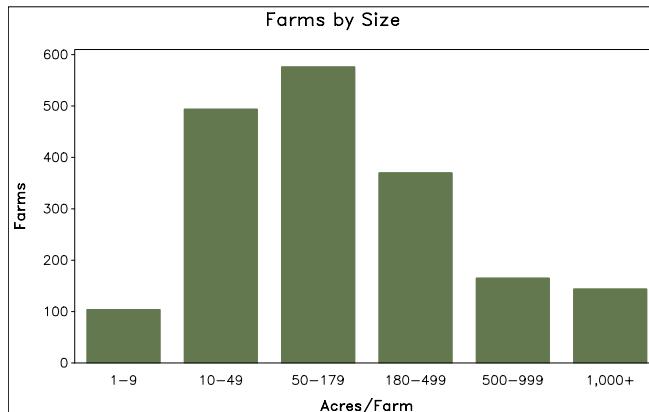
# 2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

## County Profile

### Gillespie County Texas



|   | 2007             | 2002             | % change    |
|---|------------------|------------------|-------------|
| <b>Number of Farms</b>                    | 1,853            | 1,812            | + 2         |
| <b>Land in Farms</b>                      | 652,940 acres    | 645,422 acres    | + 1         |
| <b>Average Size of Farm</b>               | 352 acres        | 356 acres        | - 1         |
| <br><b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>  | <br>\$28,586,000 | <br>\$23,960,000 | <br>+ 19    |
| Crop Sales \$7,467,000 (26 percent)       |                  |                  |             |
| Livestock Sales \$21,118,000 (74 percent) |                  |                  |             |
| <b>Average Per Farm</b>                   | <b>\$15,427</b>  | <b>\$13,223</b>  | <b>+ 17</b> |
| <br><b>Government Payments</b>            | <br>\$684,000    | <br>\$653,000    | <br>+ 5     |
| Average Per Farm Receiving Payments       | \$2,453          | \$1,926          | + 27        |



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#### Ranked items among the 254 state counties and 3,079 U.S. counties, 2007

| 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                               | 28,586   | 155        | 254                   | 2,021     | 3,076                 |
| Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse                         | 7,467    | 155        | 253                   | 2,035     | 3,072                 |
| Value of livestock, poultry, and their products                         | 21,118   | 122        | 254                   | 1,475     | 3,069                 |
| <b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>                      |          |            |                       |           |                       |
| Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas                               | 1,218    | 143        | 244                   | 1,931     | 2,933                 |
| Tobacco   | -        | -          | -                     | -         | 437                   |
| Cotton and cottonseed   | -        | -          | 161                   | -         | 626                   |
| Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes                        | 1,979    | 33         | 199                   | 589       | 2,796                 |
| Fruits, tree nuts, and berries  | 2,466    | 11         | 229                   | 265       | 2,659                 |
| Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod                              | 306      | 97         | 176                   | 1,639     | 2,703                 |
| Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops                      | -        | -          | 80                    | -         | 1,710                 |
| Other crops and hay   | 1,499    | 138        | 252                   | 1,141     | 3,054                 |
| Poultry and eggs  | (D)      | (D)        | 240                   | (D)       | 3,020                 |
| Cattle and calves   | 15,899   | 114        | 254                   | 847       | 3,054                 |
| Milk and other dairy products from cows                                 | (D)      | 71         | 158                   | (D)       | 2,493                 |
| Hogs and pigs   | 263      | 19         | 235                   | 1,159     | 2,922                 |
| Sheep, goats, and their products  | 3,375    | 8          | 252                   | 24        | 2,998                 |
| Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys                              | 602      | 50         | 253                   | 397       | 3,024                 |
| Aquaculture   | (D)      | 94         | 101                   | (D)       | 1,498                 |
| Other animals and other animal products                                 | 515      | 30         | 232                   | 376       | 2,875                 |
| <b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>   |          |            |                       |           |                       |
| Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop | 24,594   | 81         | 253                   | 866       | 3,060                 |
| Wheat for grain, all  | 3,831    | 102        | 199                   | 1,097     | 2,481                 |
| Oats for grain  | 2,072    | 12         | 133                   | 182       | 1,957                 |
| Sorghum for grain   | 1,280    | 123        | 187                   | 423       | 1,158                 |
| Peaches, all  | 1,060    | 1          | 166                   | 27        | 1,833                 |
| <b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>                           |          |            |                       |           |                       |
| Cattle and calves   | 53,702   | 86         | 254                   | 515       | 3,060                 |
| Sheep and lambs   | 49,238   | 5          | 244                   | 14        | 2,891                 |
| Goats, all  | 29,694   | 10         | 252                   | 10        | 3,023                 |
| Layers  | 2,900    | 68         | 246                   | 960       | 3,024                 |
| Deer  | 1,642    | 18         | 185                   | 21        | 1,246                 |

#### Other County Highlights

| Economic Characteristics                    | Quantity | Operator Characteristics  | Quantity |
|---|----------|---|----------|
| Farms by value of sales:                    |          | Principal operators by primary occupation:                        |          |
| Less than \$1,000                           | 611      | Farming   | 754      |
| \$1,000 to \$2,499                          | 293      | Other   | 1,099    |
| \$2,500 to \$4,999                          | 227      | Principal operators by sex:                                       |          |
| \$5,000 to \$9,999                          | 241      | Male  | 1,557    |
| \$10,000 to \$19,999                        | 201      | Female  | 296      |
| \$20,000 to \$24,999                        | 57       | Average age of principal operator (years)                         | 61.6     |
| \$25,000 to \$39,999                        | 83       | All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :                              |          |
| \$40,000 to \$49,999                        | 36       | American Indian or Alaska Native                                  | 6        |
| \$50,000 to \$99,999                        | 63       | Asian   | 2        |
| \$100,000 to \$249,999                      | 32       | Black or African American   | 3        |
| \$250,000 to \$499,999                      | 6        | Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander                         | -        |
| \$500,000 or more                           | 3        | White   | 2,835    |
| Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)    | 39,172   | More than one race  | 31       |
| Average per farm (\$)                       | 21,140   | All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup> | 75       |
| Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000) | -6,366   |   |          |
| Average per farm (\$)                       | -3,435   |   |          |

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

(D) Cannot be disclosed. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown.

<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.