

2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

Atascosa, Texas

Number of farms

1,539 farms in 2002, 1,537 farms in 1997, up slightly.

Land in farms

669,890 acres in 2002, 725,477 acres in 1997, down 8 percent.

Average size of farm

435 acres in 2002, 472 acres in 1997, down 8 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$51,808,000 in 2002, \$46,770,000 in 1997, up 11 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$17,254,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$34,554,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

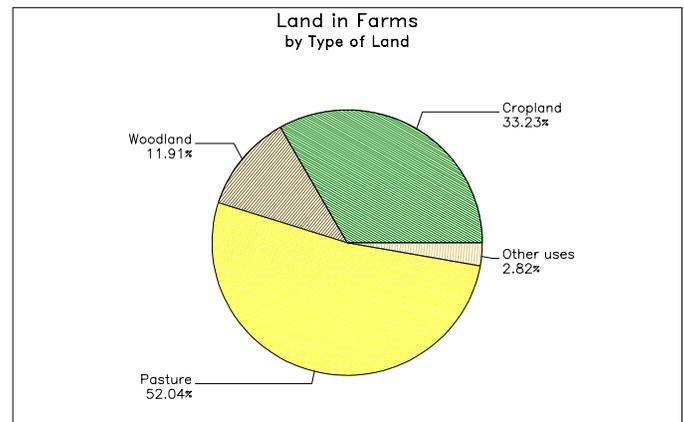
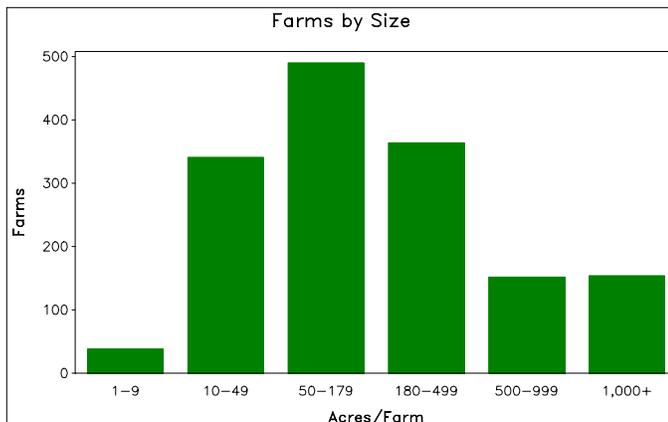
\$33,663 in 2002, \$30,429 in 1997, up 11 percent.

Government Payments

\$3,583,000 in 2002, \$987,000 in 1997, up 263 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$16,741 in 2002, \$3,753 in 1997, up 346 percent.



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United States Department of Agriculture, Texas Agricultural Statistics Service**

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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	51,808	63	254	1,120	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	17,254	64	252	1,288	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	34,554	68	254	835	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	1,285	112	235	1,709	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	(D)	(D)	162	(D)	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	1,732	31	199	572	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	224	(D)	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	9,529	22	178	274	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	79	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	4,285	18	250	284	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	223	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	30,759	39	254	290	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	2,466	39	157	931	2,493
Hogs and pigs	66	64	235	1,607	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	(D)	(D)	250	(D)	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	440	55	253	461	3,014
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	110	(D)	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	167	56	208	668	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	95,693	32	254	145	3,059
Layers 20 weeks old and older	(D)	37	237	(D)	2,983
Horses and ponies	1,819	70	254	556	3,065
All Goats	1,693	101	253	230	2,971
Deer	1,031	44	170	63	1,080
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	34,911	47	253	594	3,059
Peanuts	6,125	11	112	67	398
All Wheat for grain	4,316	98	202	979	2,517
Sorghum for grain	3,935	91	194	277	1,307
Corn for grain	3,045	79	166	1,439	2,592

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	358
\$1,000 to \$2,499	270
\$2,500 to \$4,999	255
\$5,000 to \$9,999	214
\$10,000 to \$19,999	182
\$20,000 to \$24,999	41
\$25,000 to \$39,999	79
\$40,000 to \$49,999	29
\$50,000 to \$99,999	44
\$100,000 to \$249,999	35
\$250,000 to \$499,999	18
\$500,000 or more	14
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	48,445
Average per farm (\$)	31,438
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	6,195
Average per farm (\$)	4,020

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	867
Other	672
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	1,378
Female	161
Average age of principal operator (years)	56.5
All operators ² by race:	
White	2,113
Black or African American	17
American Indian or Alaska Native	30
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	-
More than one race	11
All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	465

(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.