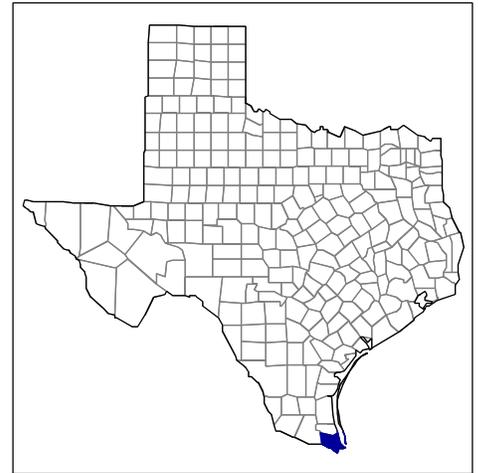




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Number of farms

1,120 farms in 2002, 1,098 farms in 1997, up 2 percent.

Land in farms

350,437 acres in 2002, 383,648 acres in 1997, down 9 percent.

Average size of farm

313 acres in 2002, 349 acres in 1997, down 10 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$74,637,000 in 2002, \$83,365,000 in 1997, down 10 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$62,306,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$12,331,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

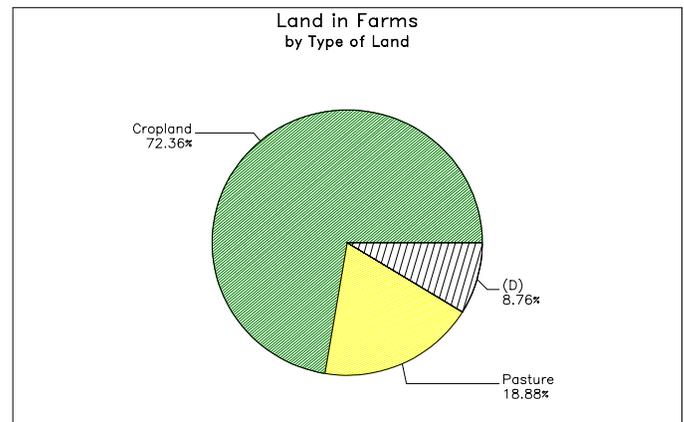
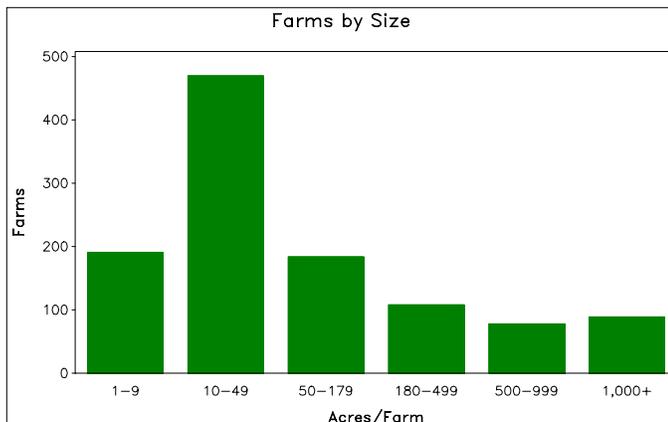
\$66,640 in 2002, \$75,924 in 1997, down 12 percent.

Government Payments

\$2,685,000 in 2002, \$3,728,000 in 1997, down 28 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$8,663 in 2002, \$9,204 in 1997, down 6 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	74,637	36	254	744	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	62,306	13	252	352	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	12,331	146	254	1,697	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	9,797	33	235	1,004	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	8,216	34	162	117	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	5,171	12	199	304	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	6,191	2	224	137	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	17,959	12	178	158	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	79	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	14,972	5	250	97	3,046
Poultry and eggs	10	135	223	1,994	2,918
Cattle and calves	3,671	212	254	1,758	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	-	-	157	-	2,493
Hogs and pigs	77	57	235	1,541	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	39	144	250	1,448	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	56	200	253	2,291	3,014
Aquaculture	8,476	2	110	30	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	2	178	208	2,316	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	16,676	201	254	1,635	3,059
All Goats	1,344	118	253	316	2,971
Layers 20 weeks old and older	871	113	237	1,500	2,983
Hogs and pigs	827	46	238	1,413	2,926
Horses and ponies	761	156	254	1,636	3,065
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Sorghum for grain	74,705	5	194	7	1,307
All Cotton	36,924	34	165	98	663
Sugarcane for sugar	16,078	2	7	19	37
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	7,777	176	253	1,986	3,059
Corn for grain	6,850	56	166	1,158	2,592

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	249	Farming	666
\$1,000 to \$2,499	188	Other	454
\$2,500 to \$4,999	166		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	97	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	91	Male	1,051
\$20,000 to \$24,999	32	Female	69
\$25,000 to \$39,999	56		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	18	Average age of principal operator (years)	56.8
\$50,000 to \$99,999	82		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	80	All operators ² by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	38	White	1,482
\$500,000 or more	23	Black or African American	5
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	58,720	American Indian or Alaska Native	22
Average per farm (\$)	52,617	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	1
		Asian	28
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	23,820	More than one race	3
Average per farm (\$)	21,344	All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	749

(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.