



2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

Hockley, Texas



Number of farms

767 farms in 2002, 802 farms in 1997, down 4 percent.

Land in farms

491,498 acres in 2002, 622,677 acres in 1997, down 21 percent.

Average size of farm

641 acres in 2002, 776 acres in 1997, down 17 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$90,217,000 in 2002, \$97,115,000 in 1997, down 7 percent.

Crop sales accounted for (D) of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for (D) of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

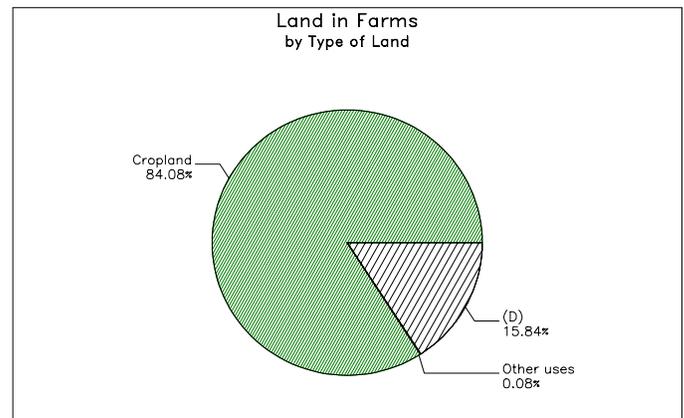
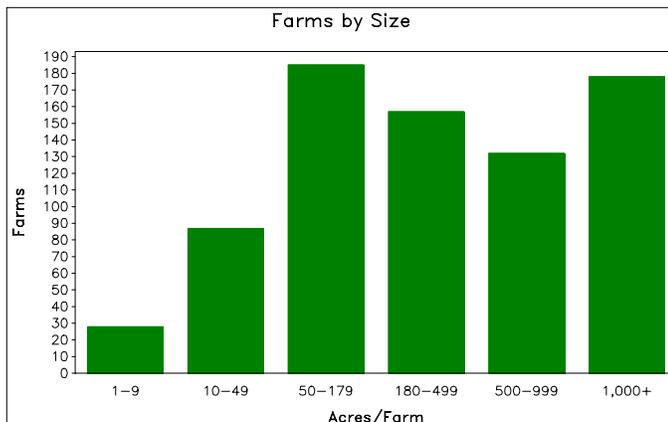
\$117,623 in 2002, \$121,091 in 1997, down 3 percent.

Government Payments

\$8,434,000 in 2002, \$7,194,000 in 1997, up 17 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$14,954 in 2002, \$12,319 in 1997, up 21 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	90,217	32	254	607	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	(D)	(D)	252	(D)	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	(D)	(D)	254	(D)	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	(D)	(D)	235	(D)	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	41,254	6	162	16	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	199	(D)	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	110	102	224	1,199	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	7,641	10	250	180	3,046
Poultry and eggs	3	162	223	2,358	2,918
Cattle and calves	(D)	(D)	254	(D)	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	-	-	157	-	2,493
Hogs and pigs	72	58	235	1,576	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	43	137	250	1,378	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	63	190	253	2,198	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	110	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	2	180	208	2,351	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	33,209	147	254	962	3,059
All Goats	731	163	253	707	2,971
Layers 20 weeks old and older	534	135	237	1,855	2,983
Horses and ponies	446	205	254	2,273	3,065
Sheep and lambs	374	130	244	1,634	2,867
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
All Cotton	221,843	3	165	3	663
Sorghum for grain	35,587	19	194	56	1,307
Peanuts	11,974	5	112	33	398
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	11,324	143	253	1,650	3,059
All Wheat for grain	6,800	83	202	791	2,517

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	316
\$1,000 to \$2,499	47
\$2,500 to \$4,999	28
\$5,000 to \$9,999	46
\$10,000 to \$19,999	33
\$20,000 to \$24,999	15
\$25,000 to \$39,999	27
\$40,000 to \$49,999	11
\$50,000 to \$99,999	69
\$100,000 to \$249,999	102
\$250,000 to \$499,999	53
\$500,000 or more	20
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	85,433
Average per farm (\$)	111,823
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	19,305
Average per farm (\$)	25,269

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	488
Other	279
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	642
Female	125
Average age of principal operator (years)	56.6
All operators ² by race:	
White	976
Black or African American	13
American Indian or Alaska Native	8
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	1
More than one race	3
All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	84

(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.