

# 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

## Montague, Texas

### Number of farms

1,399 farms in 2002, 1,431 farms in 1997, down 2 percent.

### Land in farms

503,562 acres in 2002, 494,176 acres in 1997, up 2 percent.

### Average size of farm

360 acres in 2002, 345 acres in 1997, up 4 percent.

### Market Value of Production

\$31,872,000 in 2002, \$29,866,000 in 1997, up 7 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$3,754,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$28,117,000 of the total value in 2002.

### Market Value of Production, average per farm

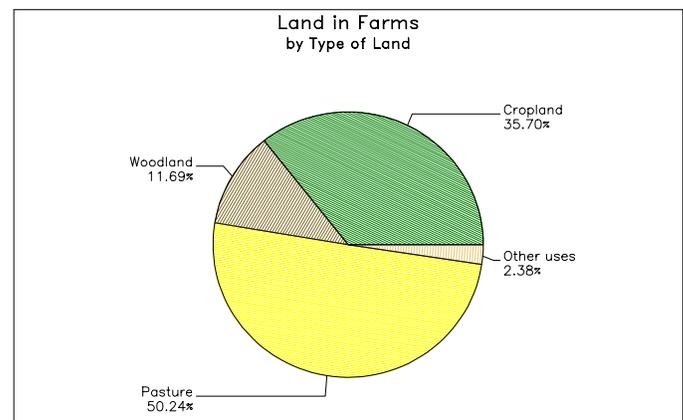
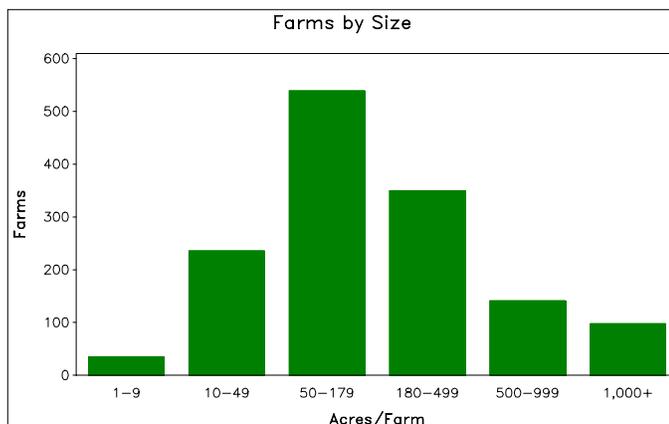
\$22,782 in 2002, \$20,871 in 1997, up 9 percent.

### Government Payments

\$759,000 in 2002, \$460,000 in 1997, up 65 percent.

### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$3,023 in 2002, \$3,384 in 1997, down 11 percent.



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**Ranked items among the 254 state counties and 3,078 U.S. counties, 2002**

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	31,872	121	254	1,648	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	3,754	155	252	2,232	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	28,117	83	254	990	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	624	142	235	1,931	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	162	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	474	68	199	1,020	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	224	(D)	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	591	76	178	1,350	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	(D)	79	(D)	1,774
Other crops and hay	1,639	57	250	795	3,046
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	223	(D)	2,918
Cattle and calves	25,109	57	254	383	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	1,999	44	157	1,023	2,493
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	235	(D)	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	93	99	250	851	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	679	34	253	233	3,014
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	110	(D)	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	12	158	208	1,764	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	80,345	53	254	229	3,059
Horses and ponies	2,111	54	254	436	3,065
All Goats	2,022	93	253	182	2,971
Layers 20 weeks old and older	1,920	75	237	1,027	2,983
Emus	753	1	165	3	1,406
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	39,206	39	253	500	3,059
All Wheat for grain	5,820	87	202	857	2,517
Pecans	2,656	18	222	57	1,194
Rye for grain	(D)	4	46	(D)	1,204
All Vegetables harvested	343	57	202	752	2,710

**Other County Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	349
\$1,000 to \$2,499	230
\$2,500 to \$4,999	195
\$5,000 to \$9,999	201
\$10,000 to \$19,999	158
\$20,000 to \$24,999	35
\$25,000 to \$39,999	88
\$40,000 to \$49,999	19
\$50,000 to \$99,999	61
\$100,000 to \$249,999	40
\$250,000 to \$499,999	17
\$500,000 or more	6
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	31,809
Average per farm (\$)	22,737
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	2,402
Average per farm (\$)	1,717

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	719
Other	680
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	1,244
Female	155
Average age of principal operator (years)	56.3
All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
White	1,999
Black or African American	3
American Indian or Alaska Native	23
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	3
More than one race	3
All operators <sup>2</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	33

(D) Cannot be disclosed. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown. See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

<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.