

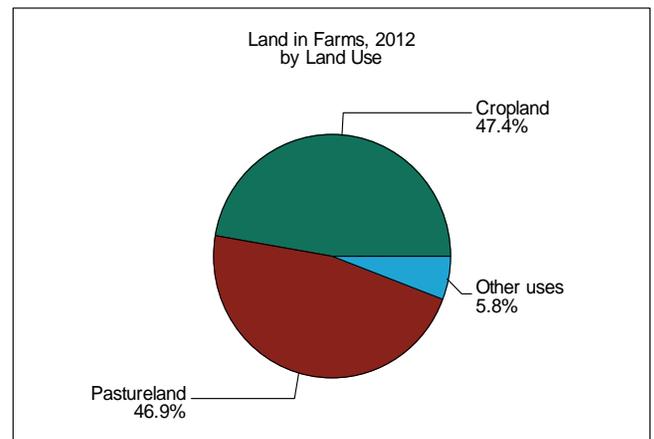
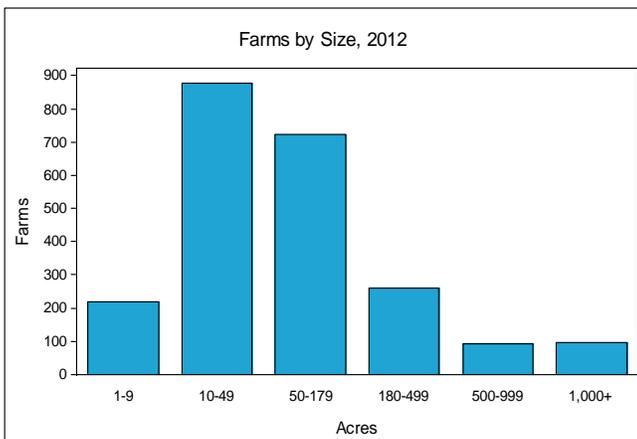
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



Ellis County Texas

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	2,264	2,415	- 6
Land in Farms	473,860 acres	442,656 acres	+ 7
Average Size of Farm	209 acres	183 acres	+ 14
Market Value of Products Sold	\$91,390,000	\$49,382,000	+ 85
Crop Sales \$67,356,000 (74 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$24,034,000 (26 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$40,366	\$20,448	+ 97
Government Payments	\$2,825,000	\$3,435,000	- 18
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$5,127	\$6,762	- 24





Ellis County – Texas

Ranked items among the 254 state counties and 3,079 U.S. counties, 2012

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	91,390	60	254	1,254	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	67,356	34	253	938	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	24,034	120	254	1,483	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	44,430	21	238	902	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	14,266	33	165	125	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	57	133	199	2,117	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	586	83	215	651	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	471	88	165	1,382	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	46	-	1,530
Other crops and hay	7,546	25	252	389	3,049
Poultry and eggs	72	89	241	1,496	3,013
Cattle and calves	17,300	113	254	906	3,056
Milk from cows	(D)	(D)	105	(D)	2,038
Hogs and pigs	9	136	227	2,158	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	263	81	251	639	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	784	51	254	334	3,011
Aquaculture	(D)	60	91	1,164	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	236	(D)	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	63,660	12	252	111	3,057
Wheat for grain, all	41,767	20	201	290	2,537
Winter wheat for grain	41,767	20	201	209	2,480
Cotton, all	31,223	34	165	81	635
Upland cotton	31,223	34	165	79	635
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	43,888	80	254	600	3,063
Colonies of bees	4,141	13	177	181	2,761
Layers	3,983	69	249	898	3,040
Goats, all	3,872	56	250	87	2,996
Horses and ponies	3,275	29	254	163	3,072

Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	653	Farming	924
\$1,000 to \$2,499	361	Other	1,340
\$2,500 to \$4,999	340		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	364	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	239	Male	1,969
\$20,000 to \$24,999	39	Female	295
\$25,000 to \$39,999	94		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	30	Average age of principal operator (years)	59.1
\$50,000 to \$99,999	41		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	40	All operators by race ² :	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	22	American Indian or Alaska Native	43
\$500,000 or more	41	Asian	12
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	89,697	Black or African American	78
Average per farm (\$)	39,619	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		White	3,180
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	11,175	More than one race	24
Average per farm (\$)	4,936	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	277

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

- Represents zero. (D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

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.