

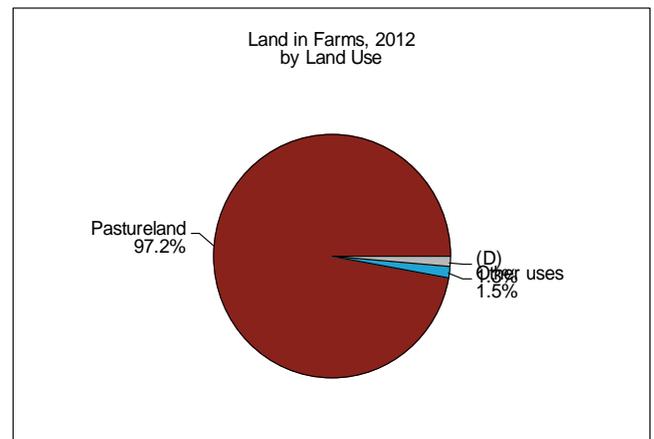
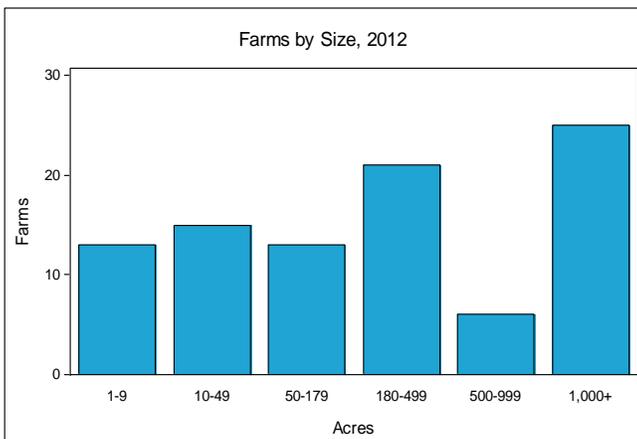
# 2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

## COUNTY PROFILE



### Ward County Texas

	2012	2007	% change
<b>Number of Farms</b>	93	119	- 22
<b>Land in Farms</b>	391,653 acres	432,920 acres	- 10
<b>Average Size of Farm</b>	4,211 acres	3,638 acres	+ 16
<b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>	\$1,772,000	\$1,529,000	+ 16
Crop Sales \$116,000 (7 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$1,656,000 (93 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$19,056	\$12,852	+ 48
<b>Government Payments</b>	\$214,000	\$243,000	- 12
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$12,613	\$16,216	- 22





## Ward County – Texas

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

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	1,772	250	254	2,980	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	116	250	253	3,043	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	1,656	249	254	2,798	3,076
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	(D)	222	238	(D)	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	165	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	-	-	199	-	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	-	-	215	-	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	-	-	165	-	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	46	-	1,530
Other crops and hay	(D)	244	252	(D)	3,049
Poultry and eggs	7	172	241	2,523	3,013
Cattle and calves	1,584	247	254	2,443	3,056
Milk from cows	-	-	105	-	2,038
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	227	(D)	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	(D)	239	251	(D)	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	59	213	254	2,174	3,011
Aquaculture	-	-	91	-	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	-	-	236	-	2,924
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	270	250	252	2,990	3,057
Wheat for grain, all	(D)	191	201	(D)	2,537
Winter wheat for grain	(D)	191	201	(D)	2,480
Pecans, all	20	181	214	690	1,263
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	2,926	249	254	2,619	3,063
Horses and ponies	295	228	254	2,544	3,072
Layers	274	183	249	2,650	3,040
Sheep and lambs	110	197	240	2,359	2,897
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	(D)	(D)	201	(D)	2,723

### Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	61	Farming	25
\$1,000 to \$2,499	6	Other	68
\$2,500 to \$4,999	6	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	2	Male	76
\$10,000 to \$19,999	3	Female	17
\$20,000 to \$24,999	-	Average age of principal operator (years)	59.4
\$25,000 to \$39,999	6	All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	2	American Indian or Alaska Native	-
\$50,000 to \$99,999	4	Asian	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	2	Black or African American	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	-	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	1	White	139
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	2,413	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	25,942	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup>	19
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	-285		
Average per farm (\$)	-3,068		

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.

<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.