



# 2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

## Hardeman, Texas



### Number of farms

344 farms in 2002, 378 farms in 1997, down 9 percent.

### Land in farms

345,897 acres in 2002, 325,966 acres in 1997, up 6 percent.

### Average size of farm

1,006 acres in 2002, 862 acres in 1997, up 17 percent.

### Market Value of Production

\$16,849,000 in 2002, \$15,889,000 in 1997, up 6 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$6,837,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$10,011,000 of the total value in 2002.

### Market Value of Production, average per farm

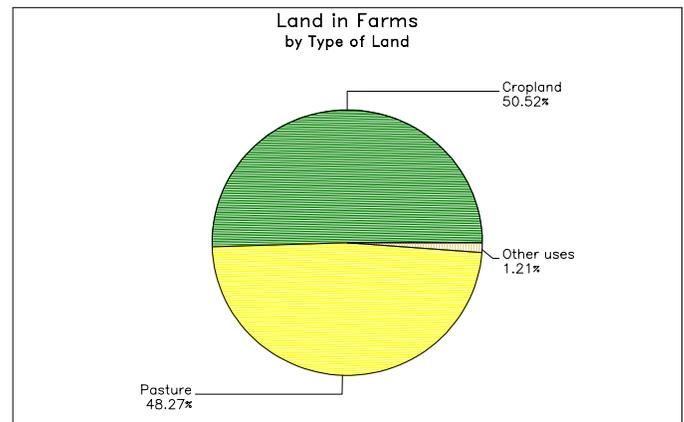
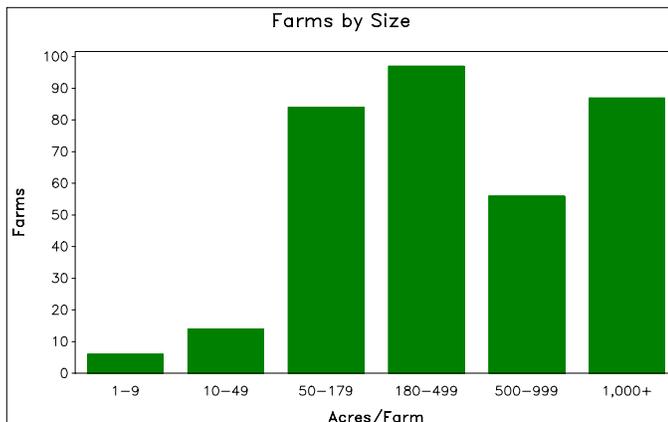
\$48,979 in 2002, \$42,035 in 1997, up 17 percent.

### Government Payments

\$1,961,000 in 2002, \$2,655,000 in 1997, down 26 percent.

### Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$8,565 in 2002, \$9,154 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 <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	16,849	168	254	2,214	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	6,837	119	252	1,901	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	10,011	165	254	1,885	3,070
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	3,617	73	235	1,353	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	1,742	76	162	302	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	743	56	199	857	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	9	192	224	2,239	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	-	-	178	-	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	79	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	727	126	250	1,561	3,046
Poultry and eggs	-	-	223	-	2,918
Cattle and calves	8,728	152	254	1,088	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	1,211	54	157	1,262	2,493
Hogs and pigs	1	217	235	2,814	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	48	130	250	1,297	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	23	231	253	2,726	3,014
Aquaculture	-	-	110	-	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	-	-	208	-	2,727
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	25,543	170	254	1,213	3,059
All Goats	1,389	117	253	301	2,971
Horses and ponies	419	207	254	2,327	3,065
Sheep and lambs	(D)	156	244	(D)	2,867
Hogs and pigs	(D)	227	238	(D)	2,926
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
All Wheat for grain	47,910	18	202	261	2,517
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	11,681	141	253	1,615	3,059
All Cotton	6,294	76	165	303	663
Sorghum for grain	1,596	121	194	400	1,307
Peanuts	755	33	112	164	398

**Other County Highlights**

Economic Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales	
Less than \$1,000	110
\$1,000 to \$2,499	19
\$2,500 to \$4,999	27
\$5,000 to \$9,999	49
\$10,000 to \$19,999	35
\$20,000 to \$24,999	12
\$25,000 to \$39,999	12
\$40,000 to \$49,999	14
\$50,000 to \$99,999	28
\$100,000 to \$249,999	24
\$250,000 to \$499,999	6
\$500,000 or more	8
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	15,243
Average per farm (\$)	44,439
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	3,785
Average per farm (\$)	11,035

Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Farming	209
Other	135
Principal operators by sex:	
Male	284
Female	60
Average age of principal operator (years)	60.3
All operators <sup>2</sup> by race:	
White	482
Black or African American	-
American Indian or Alaska Native	-
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
Asian	-
More than one race	-
All operators <sup>2</sup> of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	6

(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.