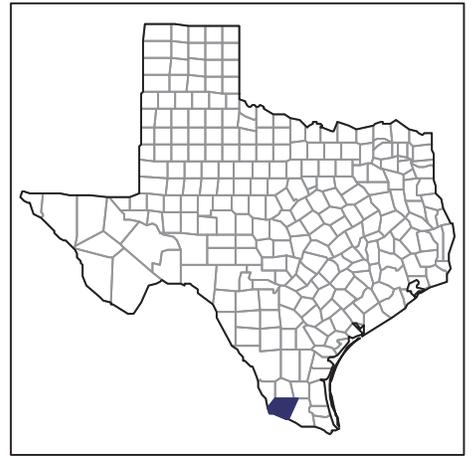


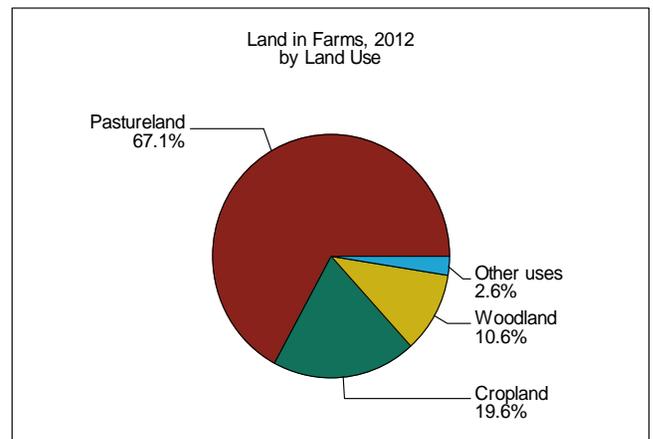
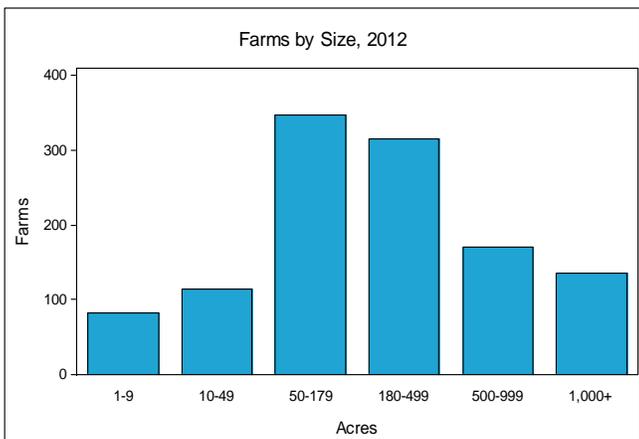
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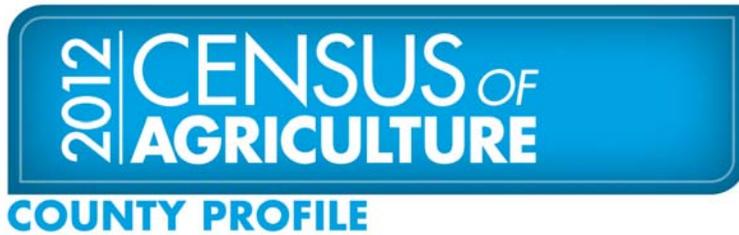
COUNTY PROFILE



Starr County Texas

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	1,165	1,104	+ 6
Land in Farms	668,724 acres	652,780 acres	+ 2
Average Size of Farm	574 acres	591 acres	- 3
Market Value of Products Sold	\$108,546,000	\$64,352,000	+ 69
Crop Sales \$27,145,000 (25 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$81,400,000 (75 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$93,172	\$58,290	+ 60
Government Payments	\$4,099,000	\$2,409,000	+ 70
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$8,739	\$11,206	- 22





2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE

Starr 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	108,546	48	254	1,086	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	27,145	83	253	1,544	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	81,400	39	254	594	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	17,026	51	238	1,302	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	3,898	76	165	297	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	4,309	22	199	405	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	48	180	215	1,802	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	265	100	165	1,653	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	46	-	1,530
Other crops and hay	1,601	149	252	1,538	3,049
Poultry and eggs	33	119	241	1,799	3,013
Cattle and calves	81,090	22	254	170	3,056
Milk from cows	-	-	105	-	2,038
Hogs and pigs	8	139	227	2,190	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	102	122	251	1,335	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	87	192	254	1,933	3,011
Aquaculture	-	-	91	-	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	81	119	236	1,217	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Sorghum for grain	32,675	11	177	39	1,220
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	16,120	110	252	1,183	3,057
Sunflower seed, all	6,534	3	40	67	565
Sunflower seed, non-oil	6,534	2	23	9	258
Cotton, all	5,090	91	165	320	635
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	61,096	49	254	361	3,063
Goats, all	1,787	92	250	247	2,996
Layers	1,572	115	249	1,498	3,040
Horses and ponies	1,053	123	254	1,137	3,072
Sheep and lambs	1,045	88	240	865	2,897

Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	400	Farming	460
\$1,000 to \$2,499	141	Other	705
\$2,500 to \$4,999	158	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	192	Male	1,031
\$10,000 to \$19,999	116	Female	134
\$20,000 to \$24,999	37	Average age of principal operator (years)	58.4
\$25,000 to \$39,999	42	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	7	American Indian or Alaska Native	11
\$50,000 to \$99,999	21	Asian	6
\$100,000 to \$249,999	19	Black or African American	11
\$250,000 to \$499,999	8	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	24	White	1,642
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	118,111	More than one race	10
Average per farm (\$)	101,383	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	1,558
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	-236		
Average per farm (\$)	-203		

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

- Represents zero.

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.