



Cameron County Texas

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	1,418	+9
Land in farms (acres)	271,480	-12
Average size of farm (acres)	191	-19
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Total	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	122,554,000	-24
Government payments	6,669,000	+37
Farm-related income	7,063,000	-19
Total farm production expenses	102,386,000	-12
Net cash farm income	33,901,000	-42
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Per farm average	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	86,428	-30
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	18,123	+121
Farm-related income	19,297	-13
Total farm production expenses	72,204	-19
Net cash farm income	23,907	-46

(Z) Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	96
Livestock, poultry, and products	4

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	78
Pastureland	17
Woodland	3
Other	2

Acres irrigated: 100,948

37% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	1
Reduced till	3
Intensive till	14
Cover crop	1

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	774	55
\$2,500 to \$4,999	157	11
\$5,000 to \$9,999	145	10
\$10,000 to \$24,999	100	7
\$25,000 to \$49,999	84	6
\$50,000 to \$99,999	28	2
\$100,000 or more	130	9

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	433	31
10 to 49 acres	620	44
50 to 179 acres	171	12
180 to 499 acres	68	5
500 to 999 acres	37	3
1,000 + acres	89	6

Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold

	Sales (\$1,000)	Rank in State ^b	Counties Producing Item	Rank in U.S. ^b	Counties Producing Item
Total	122,554	44	254	953	3,077
Crops	117,845	11	253	445	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	29,962	25	232	984	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	43,052	21	174	34	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	4,235	15	188	376	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	5,823	5	225	195	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	23,209	12	155	122	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	-	-	43	-	1,384
Other crops and hay	11,564	9	251	219	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	4,710	226	254	2,460	3,073
Poultry and eggs	106	83	235	1,038	3,007
Cattle and calves	3,914	215	254	1,832	3,055
Milk from cows	-	-	94	-	1,892
Hogs and pigs	92	43	216	937	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	94	126	247	1,324	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	228	113	254	871	2,970
Aquaculture	(D)	19	79	(D)	1,251
Other animals and animal products	(D)	122	229	(D)	2,878

Total Producers ^c	2,282	Percent of farms that:	Top Crops in Acres ^d
Sex		Have internet access	Cotton, all 62,127
Male	1,477	64	Sorghum for grain 50,269
Female	805		Corn for grain 29,631
Age		Farm organically	Forage (hay/haylage), all 10,782
<35	165	(Z)	Sugarcane for sugar 10,370
35 – 64	1,418		
65 and older	699		
Race		Sell directly to consumers	Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)
American Indian/Alaska Native	8	5	Broilers and other meat-type chickens 1,171
Asian	12		Cattle and calves 13,401
Black or African American	-		Goats 2,331
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	5	Hire farm labor	Hogs and pigs 804
White	2,228	28	Horses and ponies 1,654
More than one race	29		Layers 7,021
Other characteristics		Are family farms	Pullets 936
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	1,458	96	Sheep and lambs 1,221
With military service	288		Turkeys 430
New and beginning farmers	693		

See 2017 Census of Agriculture, U.S. Summary and State Data, for complete footnotes, explanations, definitions, commodity descriptions, and methodology.

^a May not add to 100% due to rounding. ^b Among counties whose rank can be displayed. ^c Data collected for a maximum of four producers per farm.

^d Crop commodity names may be shortened; see full names at www.nass.usda.gov/go/cropnames.pdf. ^e Position below the line does not indicate rank.

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations. (NA) Not available. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown. (-) Represents zero.