



Castro County Texas

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	411	-23
Land in farms (acres)	554,807	+1
Average size of farm (acres)	1,350	+31
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Total	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	1,121,596,000	-15
Government payments	15,189,000	+41
Farm-related income	13,207,000	-11
Total farm production expenses	973,906,000	-23
Net cash farm income	176,087,000	+153
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Per farm average	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	2,728,945	+11
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	43,522	+73
Farm-related income	56,928	+8
Total farm production expenses	2,369,600	-1
Net cash farm income	428,436	+227

5 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	8
Livestock, poultry, and products	92

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	71
Pastureland	27
Woodland	-
Other	2

Acres irrigated: 121,837

22% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	11
Reduced till	24
Intensive till	28
Cover crop	8

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	128	31
\$2,500 to \$4,999	3	1
\$5,000 to \$9,999	10	2
\$10,000 to \$24,999	29	7
\$25,000 to \$49,999	20	5
\$50,000 to \$99,999	22	5
\$100,000 or more	199	48

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	11	3
10 to 49 acres	19	5
50 to 179 acres	48	12
180 to 499 acres	80	19
500 to 999 acres	93	23
1,000 + acres	160	39

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	1,121,596	3	254	28	3,077
Crops	91,773	21	253	621	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	58,314	6	232	679	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	28,106	28	174	58	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	(D)	92	188	1,483	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	(D)	94	225	876	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	-	-	155	-	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	-	-	43	-	1,384
Other crops and hay	4,959	37	251	498	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	1,029,823	3	254	14	3,073
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	235	(D)	3,007
Cattle and calves	864,070	2	254	6	3,055
Milk from cows	165,348	5	94	43	1,892
Hogs and pigs	35	80	216	1,220	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	213	81	247	747	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	(D)	(D)	254	(D)	2,970
Aquaculture	-	-	79	-	1,251
Other animals and animal products	(D)	(D)	229	(D)	2,878

Total Producers ^c	678	Percent of farms that:	Top Crops in Acres ^d
Sex		Have internet access	
Male	469	76	Cotton, all 48,683
Female	209		Corn for grain 44,464
Age		Farm organically	Wheat for grain, all 33,632
<35	56	-	Forage (hay/haylage), all 23,191
35 – 64	424		Corn for silage or greenchop 20,135
65 and older	198		
Race		Sell directly to consumers	Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)
American Indian/Alaska Native	-	1	Broilers and other meat-type chickens -
Asian	-		Cattle and calves 466,891
Black or African American	-	Hire farm labor	Goats 459
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-	38	Hogs and pigs 77
White	674		Horses and ponies 323
More than one race	4	Are family farms	Layers 119
Other characteristics		91	Pullets -
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	26		Sheep and lambs 2,970
With military service	30		Turkeys (D)
New and beginning farmers	189		

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.