



Ellis County Texas

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	2,551	+13
Land in farms (acres)	473,413	(Z)
Average size of farm (acres)	186	-11
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Total	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	73,147,000	-20
Government payments	5,962,000	+111
Farm-related income	6,817,000	+2
Total farm production expenses	90,055,000	(Z)
Net cash farm income	-4,129,000	-137
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Per farm average	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	28,674	-29
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	13,399	+161
Farm-related income	13,340	-4
Total farm production expenses	35,302	-11
Net cash farm income	-1,619	-133

(Z) Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	73
Livestock, poultry, and products	27

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	47
Pastureland	47
Woodland	4
Other	3

Acres irrigated: 2,394

1% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	2
Reduced till	2
Intensive till	6
Cover crop	3

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	1,380	54
\$2,500 to \$4,999	347	14
\$5,000 to \$9,999	335	13
\$10,000 to \$24,999	221	9
\$25,000 to \$49,999	114	4
\$50,000 to \$99,999	64	3
\$100,000 or more	90	4

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	317	12
10 to 49 acres	1,150	45
50 to 179 acres	669	26
180 to 499 acres	241	9
500 to 999 acres	80	3
1,000 + acres	94	4

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	73,147	79	254	1,433	3,077
Crops	53,457	41	253	1,051	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	34,631	21	232	929	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	11,963	63	174	163	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	188	(D)	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	461	77	225	685	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	(D)	66	155	(D)	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	-	-	43	-	1,384
Other crops and hay	5,226	31	251	475	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	19,689	127	254	1,653	3,073
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	235	(D)	3,007
Cattle and calves	18,030	110	254	856	3,055
Milk from cows	(D)	76	94	(D)	1,892
Hogs and pigs	172	21	216	773	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	356	62	247	480	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	585	54	254	365	2,970
Aquaculture	-	-	79	-	1,251
Other animals and animal products	364	54	229	370	2,878

Total Producers ^c	4,111	Percent of farms that:	Top Crops in Acres ^d
Sex		Have internet access	
Male	2,534	75	Corn for grain 65,161
Female	1,577		Forage (hay/haylage), all 62,262
Age		Farm organically	Cotton, all 24,348
<35	198	(Z)	Wheat for grain, all 21,375
35 – 64	2,588		Soybeans for beans 8,514
65 and older	1,325		
Race		Sell directly to consumers	Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)
American Indian/Alaska Native	26	4	Broilers and other meat-type chickens 824
Asian	19		Cattle and calves 50,563
Black or African American	132	Hire farm labor	Goats 3,608
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	6	16	Hogs and pigs 756
White	3,869		Horses and ponies 3,068
More than one race	59	Are family farms	Layers 9,520
Other characteristics		98	Pullets 1,005
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	447		Sheep and lambs 3,958
With military service	542		Turkeys 94
New and beginning farmers	1,388		

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.