



# Gonzales County Texas

## Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	1,612	-4
Land in farms (acres)	614,280	+1
Average size of farm (acres)	381	+5
<b>Total (\$)</b>		
Market value of products sold	560,829,000	+8
Government payments	478,000	-60
Farm-related income	4,249,000	+39
Total farm production expenses	412,189,000	-4
Net cash farm income	153,367,000	+69
<b>Per farm average (\$)</b>		
Market value of products sold	347,909	+12
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	7,471	+32
Farm-related income	10,388	+30
Total farm production expenses	255,700	-1
Net cash farm income	95,141	+75

**2** Percent of state agriculture sales

### Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	7
Livestock, poultry, and products	93

### Land in Farms by Use (%) <sup>a</sup>

Cropland	10
Pastureland	68
Woodland	18
Other	4

**Acres irrigated: 1,529**

(Z)% of land in farms

### Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	1
Reduced till	1
Intensive till	1
Cover crop	1

## Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total <sup>a</sup>
Less than \$2,500	503	31
\$2,500 to \$4,999	196	12
\$5,000 to \$9,999	216	13
\$10,000 to \$24,999	251	16
\$25,000 to \$49,999	156	10
\$50,000 to \$99,999	117	7
\$100,000 or more	173	11

## Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total <sup>a</sup>
1 to 9 acres	84	5
10 to 49 acres	349	22
50 to 179 acres	548	34
180 to 499 acres	337	21
500 to 999 acres	154	10
1,000 + acres	140	9

**Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold**

	Sales (\$1,000)	Rank in State <sup>b</sup>	Counties Producing Item	Rank in U.S. <sup>b</sup>	Counties Producing Item
<b>Total</b>	<b>560,829</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>254</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>3,077</b>
<b>Crops</b>	<b>38,549</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>253</b>	<b>1,260</b>	<b>3,073</b>
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	1,334	131	232	2,047	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	(D)	(D)	174	(D)	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	109	96	188	1,523	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	1,142	40	225	438	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	(D)	6	155	(D)	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	(D)	43	43	648	1,384
Other crops and hay	2,107	92	251	1,156	3,040
<b>Livestock, poultry, and products</b>	<b>522,280</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>254</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>3,073</b>
Poultry and eggs	439,407	2	235	10	3,007
Cattle and calves	81,952	19	254	163	3,055
Milk from cows	-	-	94	-	1,892
Hogs and pigs	49	64	216	1,107	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	113	111	247	1,184	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	153	143	254	1,167	2,970
Aquaculture	-	-	79	-	1,251
Other animals and animal products	608	33	229	260	2,878

<b>Total Producers <sup>c</sup></b>	<b>2,687</b>	<b>Percent of farms that:</b>	<b>Top Crops in Acres <sup>d</sup></b>
<b>Sex</b>		Have internet access	Forage (hay/haylage), all
Male	1,714	<b>69</b>	Sod harvested (D)
Female	973		Corn for grain
<b>Age</b>		Farm organically	Pecans, all
<35	141	<b>(Z)</b>	Cotton, all (D)
35 – 64	1,513		
65 and older	1,033		
<b>Race</b>		Sell directly to consumers	<b>Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)</b>
American Indian/Alaska Native	10	<b>1</b>	Broilers and other meat-type chickens
Asian	11		Cattle and calves
Black or African American	118		Goats
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-		Hogs and pigs
White	2,534	Hire farm labor	Horses and ponies
More than one race	14	<b>29</b>	Layers
<b>Other characteristics</b>		Are family farms	Pullets
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	277	<b>96</b>	Sheep and lambs
With military service	343		Turkeys
New and beginning farmers	739		

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

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

<sup>d</sup> Crop commodity names may be shortened; see full names at [www.nass.usda.gov/go/cropnames.pdf](http://www.nass.usda.gov/go/cropnames.pdf). <sup>e</sup> 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.