



# Hays County Texas

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

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	1,128	-22
Land in farms (acres)	263,239	+7
Average size of farm (acres)	233	+37
<b>Total (\$)</b>		
Market value of products sold	21,751,000	+45
Government payments	324,000	-31
Farm-related income	2,723,000	-3
Total farm production expenses	38,478,000	+22
Net cash farm income	-13,680,000	-2
<b>Per farm average (\$)</b>		
Market value of products sold	19,283	+85
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	7,913	+10
Farm-related income	11,114	+34
Total farm production expenses	34,111	+55
Net cash farm income	-12,127	-30

(Z) Percent of state agriculture sales

### Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	53
Livestock, poultry, and products	47

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

Cropland	20
Pastureland	64
Woodland	13
Other	2

Acres irrigated: 633

(Z)% of land in farms

### Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	1
Reduced till	(Z)
Intensive till	3
Cover crop	3

## Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total <sup>a</sup>
Less than \$2,500	683	61
\$2,500 to \$4,999	166	15
\$5,000 to \$9,999	111	10
\$10,000 to \$24,999	90	8
\$25,000 to \$49,999	28	2
\$50,000 to \$99,999	28	2
\$100,000 or more	22	2

## Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total <sup>a</sup>
1 to 9 acres	132	12
10 to 49 acres	476	42
50 to 179 acres	297	26
180 to 499 acres	122	11
500 to 999 acres	35	3
1,000 + acres	66	6

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>21,751</b>	<b>182</b>	<b>254</b>	<b>2,334</b>	<b>3,077</b>
<b>Crops</b>	<b>11,444</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>253</b>	<b>1,979</b>	<b>3,073</b>
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	2,087	118	232	1,921	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	986	119	174	436	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	188	(D)	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	313	89	225	827	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	(D)	29	155	(D)	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	-	-	43	-	1,384
Other crops and hay	306	192	251	2,509	3,040
<b>Livestock, poultry, and products</b>	<b>10,306</b>	<b>182</b>	<b>254</b>	<b>2,092</b>	<b>3,073</b>
Poultry and eggs	65	96	235	1,157	3,007
Cattle and calves	5,414	201	254	1,651	3,055
Milk from cows	-	-	94	-	1,892
Hogs and pigs	20	96	216	1,364	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	392	56	247	429	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	810	40	254	240	2,970
Aquaculture	(D)	7	79	(D)	1,251
Other animals and animal products	(D)	(D)	229	(D)	2,878

<b>Total Producers <sup>c</sup></b>	<b>1,959</b>	<b>Percent of farms that:</b>	<b>Top Crops in Acres <sup>d</sup></b>
<b>Sex</b>		Have internet access	Corn for grain 5,310
Male	1,121	<b>80</b>	Forage (hay/haylage), all 5,288
Female	838		Sorghum for grain 2,385
<b>Age</b>		Farm organically	Cotton, all 2,328
<35	96	<b>(Z)</b>	Wheat for grain, all 198
35 – 64	1,067		
65 and older	796		
<b>Race</b>		Sell directly to consumers	<b>Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)</b>
American Indian/Alaska Native	18	<b>7</b>	Broilers and other meat-type chickens 1,013
Asian	7		Cattle and calves 15,842
Black or African American	23		Goats 5,187
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-		Hogs and pigs 306
White	1,879	Hire farm labor	Horses and ponies 1,894
More than one race	32	<b>18</b>	Layers 6,199
<b>Other characteristics</b>		Are family farms	Pullets 1,583
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	193	<b>96</b>	Sheep and lambs 1,703
With military service	252		Turkeys 155
New and beginning farmers	486		

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.