



Houston County Texas

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	1,422	-6
Land in farms (acres)	394,543	-16
Average size of farm (acres)	277	-11
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Total	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	64,518,000	+30
Government payments	358,000	-75
Farm-related income	4,236,000	+14
Total farm production expenses	67,466,000	+16
Net cash farm income	1,647,000	+146
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Per farm average	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	45,371	+38
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	8,332	+25
Farm-related income	11,834	+32
Total farm production expenses	47,444	+22
Net cash farm income	1,158	+149

(Z) Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	11
Livestock, poultry, and products	89

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	18
Pastureland	56
Woodland	23
Other	3

Acres irrigated: 3,522

1% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	3
Reduced till	1
Intensive till	3
Cover crop	5

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	524	37
\$2,500 to \$4,999	153	11
\$5,000 to \$9,999	218	15
\$10,000 to \$24,999	273	19
\$25,000 to \$49,999	143	10
\$50,000 to \$99,999	56	4
\$100,000 or more	55	4

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	43	3
10 to 49 acres	353	25
50 to 179 acres	547	38
180 to 499 acres	323	23
500 to 999 acres	82	6
1,000 + acres	74	5

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	64,518	91	254	1,546	3,077
Crops	6,802	159	253	2,215	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	(D)	189	232	(D)	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	(D)	144	174	(D)	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	2,676	24	188	477	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	216	110	225	984	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	-	-	155	-	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	-	-	43	-	1,384
Other crops and hay	3,682	55	251	693	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	57,716	50	254	856	3,073
Poultry and eggs	26,761	25	235	372	3,007
Cattle and calves	28,523	68	254	547	3,055
Milk from cows	-	-	94	-	1,892
Hogs and pigs	(D)	6	216	(D)	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	(D)	(D)	247	(D)	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	358	84	254	595	2,970
Aquaculture	(Z)	67	79	344	1,251
Other animals and animal products	153	78	229	611	2,878

Total Producers ^c	2,275	Percent of farms that:	Top Crops in Acres ^d
Sex		Have internet access	Forage (hay/haylage), all 42,030
Male	1,455	69	Corn for grain (D)
Female	820		Vegetables harvested, all 669
Age		Farm organically	Watermelons (D)
<35	85	-	Cotton, all (D)
35 – 64	1,043		
65 and older	1,147		
Race		Sell directly to consumers	Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)
American Indian/Alaska Native	7	1	Broilers and other meat-type chickens 1,515,113
Asian	4		Cattle and calves 68,987
Black or African American	404	Hire farm labor	Goats 492
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	2	24	Hogs and pigs 4,762
White	1,847		Horses and ponies 1,531
More than one race	11		Layers (D)
Other characteristics		Are family farms	Pullets 224
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	68	98	Sheep and lambs 1,781
With military service	390		Turkeys 52
New and beginning farmers	467		

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.