



Van Zandt County Texas

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	3,405	+17
Land in farms (acres)	379,725	+2
Average size of farm (acres)	112	-12
Total	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	104,602,000	+11
Government payments	295,000	-67
Farm-related income	5,180,000	(Z)
Total farm production expenses	104,009,000	+6
Net cash farm income	6,069,000	+126
Per farm average	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	30,720	-5
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	5,092	-51
Farm-related income	7,629	-20
Total farm production expenses	30,546	-9
Net cash farm income	1,782	+94

(Z) Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	41
Livestock, poultry, and products	59

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	26
Pastureland	56
Woodland	13
Other	5

Acres irrigated: 2,054

1% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

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

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	1,744	51
\$2,500 to \$4,999	468	14
\$5,000 to \$9,999	452	13
\$10,000 to \$24,999	347	10
\$25,000 to \$49,999	203	6
\$50,000 to \$99,999	79	2
\$100,000 or more	112	3

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	409	12
10 to 49 acres	1,498	44
50 to 179 acres	1,026	30
180 to 499 acres	324	10
500 to 999 acres	98	3
1,000 + acres	50	1

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	104,602	52	254	1,101	3,077
Crops	42,428	49	253	1,202	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	(D)	164	232	(D)	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	174	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	2,693	23	188	475	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	(D)	68	225	(D)	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	28,968	8	155	102	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	(D)	16	43	(D)	1,384
Other crops and hay	9,802	11	251	257	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	62,175	47	254	801	3,073
Poultry and eggs	190	67	235	903	3,007
Cattle and calves	34,892	53	254	439	3,055
Milk from cows	25,603	15	94	279	1,892
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	216	(D)	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	318	66	247	523	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	698	46	254	296	2,970
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	79	(D)	1,251
Other animals and animal products	408	48	229	343	2,878

Total Producers ^c

5,486

Sex

Male 3,361
Female 2,125

Age

<35 296
35 – 64 3,112
65 and older 2,078

Race

American Indian/Alaska Native 48
Asian 8
Black or African American 57
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander 2
White 5,276
More than one race 95

Other characteristics

Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin 180
With military service 769
New and beginning farmers 1,678

Percent of farms that:

Have internet access **73**

Farm organically **(Z)**

Sell directly to consumers **3**

Hire farm labor **15**

Are family farms **99**

Top Crops in Acres ^d

Forage (hay/haylage), all 73,062
Vegetables harvested, all 1,066
Nursery stock crops 1,061
Sweet potatoes 387
Watermelons 359

Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)

Broilers and other meat-type chickens 1,104
Cattle and calves 89,422
Goats 3,917
Hogs and pigs 806
Horses and ponies 4,253
Layers 9,037
Pullets 993
Sheep and lambs 1,069
Turkeys 187

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.