



Willacy County Texas

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	351	+9
Land in farms (acres)	317,922	-5
Average size of farm (acres)	906	-13
Total (\$)		
Market value of products sold	88,081,000	+7
Government payments	4,971,000	+48
Farm-related income	4,114,000	+16
Total farm production expenses	65,063,000	+4
Net cash farm income	32,103,000	+19
Per farm average (\$)		
Market value of products sold	250,943	-2
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	30,687	+78
Farm-related income	37,746	+21
Total farm production expenses	185,366	-5
Net cash farm income	91,462	+9

(Z) Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	95
Livestock, poultry, and products	5

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	62
Pastureland	34
Woodland	2
Other	1

Acres irrigated: 19,011

6% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	4
Reduced till	9
Intensive till	23
Cover crop	1

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	190	54
\$2,500 to \$4,999	30	9
\$5,000 to \$9,999	32	9
\$10,000 to \$24,999	15	4
\$25,000 to \$49,999	16	5
\$50,000 to \$99,999	15	4
\$100,000 or more	53	15

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	60	17
10 to 49 acres	130	37
50 to 179 acres	68	19
180 to 499 acres	26	7
500 to 999 acres	9	3
1,000 + acres	58	17

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	88,081	65	254	1,271	3,077
Crops	83,743	23	253	672	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	34,939	20	232	926	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	38,997	23	174	38	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	3,321	20	188	432	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	(D)	139	225	(D)	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	(D)	147	155	1,638	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	-	-	43	-	1,384
Other crops and hay	6,387	18	251	397	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	4,338	231	254	2,497	3,073
Poultry and eggs	(D)	180	235	(D)	3,007
Cattle and calves	4,267	213	254	1,778	3,055
Milk from cows	-	-	94	-	1,892
Hogs and pigs	25	91	216	1,312	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	35	171	247	1,945	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	6	226	254	2,348	2,970
Aquaculture	-	-	79	-	1,251
Other animals and animal products	(D)	172	229	(D)	2,878

Total Producers ^c

Sex	529
Male	364
Female	165
Age	
<35	50
35 – 64	306
65 and older	173
Race	
American Indian/Alaska Native	-
Asian	-
Black or African American	-
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-
White	527
More than one race	2
Other characteristics	
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	327
With military service	34
New and beginning farmers	172

Percent of farms that:

Have internet access	59
Farm organically	-
Sell directly to consumers	(Z)
Hire farm labor	25
Are family farms	93

Top Crops in Acres ^d

Sorghum for grain	85,065
Cotton, all	69,082
Corn for grain	16,838
Sugarcane for sugar	6,916
Forage (hay/haylage), all	1,760

Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)

Broilers and other meat-type chickens	100
Cattle and calves	10,670
Goats	633
Hogs and pigs	394
Horses and ponies	398
Layers	678
Pullets	102
Sheep and lambs	197
Turkeys	55

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.