



Bee County Texas

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	943	-3
Land in farms (acres)	482,787	-10
Average size of farm (acres)	512	-7
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Total	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	37,704,000	+45
Government payments	1,511,000	+44
Farm-related income	2,986,000	-52
Total farm production expenses	34,883,000	-5
Net cash farm income	7,317,000	+324
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Per farm average	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	39,983	+50
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	13,369	+121
Farm-related income	12,238	-50
Total farm production expenses	36,992	-2
Net cash farm income	7,759	+331

(Z) Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	65
Livestock, poultry, and products	35

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	16
Pastureland	71
Woodland	12
Other	1

Acres irrigated: 5,526

1% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	4
Reduced till	2
Intensive till	6
Cover crop	2

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	457	48
\$2,500 to \$4,999	126	13
\$5,000 to \$9,999	139	15
\$10,000 to \$24,999	96	10
\$25,000 to \$49,999	51	5
\$50,000 to \$99,999	29	3
\$100,000 or more	45	5

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	73	8
10 to 49 acres	265	28
50 to 179 acres	264	28
180 to 499 acres	189	20
500 to 999 acres	68	7
1,000 + acres	84	9

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	37,704	140	254	1,995	3,077
Crops	24,529	81	253	1,530	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	7,813	69	232	1,472	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	11,407	66	174	167	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	86	103	188	1,596	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	183	117	225	1,063	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	(D)	39	155	(D)	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	-	-	43	-	1,384
Other crops and hay	(D)	(D)	251	(D)	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	13,174	162	254	1,948	3,073
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	235	(D)	3,007
Cattle and calves	10,957	145	254	1,184	3,055
Milk from cows	-	-	94	-	1,892
Hogs and pigs	14	114	216	1,484	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	92	128	247	1,343	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	(D)	(D)	254	(D)	2,970
Aquaculture	-	-	79	-	1,251
Other animals and animal products	1,759	7	229	109	2,878

Total Producers ^c	1,476	Percent of farms that:	Top Crops in Acres ^d
Sex		Have internet access	Cotton, all 14,210
Male	941	64	Sorghum for grain 10,068
Female	535		Corn for grain 9,996
Age		Farm organically	Forage (hay/haylage), all 9,561
<35	41	(Z)	Wheat for grain, all 1,463
35 – 64	791		
65 and older	644		
Race		Sell directly to consumers	Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)
American Indian/Alaska Native	16	3	Broilers and other meat-type chickens 182
Asian	-		Cattle and calves 30,815
Black or African American	2	Hire farm labor	Goats 1,303
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	4	19	Hogs and pigs 358
White	1,446		Horses and ponies 970
More than one race	8		Layers 4,022
Other characteristics		Are family farms	Pullets 399
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	304	96	Sheep and lambs 257
With military service	262		Turkeys 168
New and beginning farmers	414		

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.