



Galveston County Texas

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	633	+3
Land in farms (acres)	73,125	-18
Average size of farm (acres)	116	-21
Total	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	9,233,000	(D)
Government payments	722,000	-4
Farm-related income	1,233,000	+41
Total farm production expenses	17,099,000	+32
Net cash farm income	-5,910,000	-42
Per farm average	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	14,586	(D)
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	30,095	+103
Farm-related income	9,134	+43
Total farm production expenses	27,012	+27
Net cash farm income	-9,337	-37

(Z) Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	49
Livestock, poultry, and products	51

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	23
Pastureland	71
Woodland	2
Other	3

Acres irrigated: 1,107

2% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	4
Reduced till	2
Intensive till	1
Cover crop	2

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	350	55
\$2,500 to \$4,999	78	12
\$5,000 to \$9,999	86	14
\$10,000 to \$24,999	58	9
\$25,000 to \$49,999	36	6
\$50,000 to \$99,999	16	3
\$100,000 or more	9	1

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	203	32
10 to 49 acres	245	39
50 to 179 acres	108	17
180 to 499 acres	39	6
500 to 999 acres	23	4
1,000 + acres	15	2

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	9,233	228	254	2,695	3,077
Crops	4,488	180	253	2,415	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	(D)	185	232	(D)	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	174	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	(D)	106	188	(D)	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	133	130	225	1,179	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	3,400	46	155	474	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	-	-	43	-	1,384
Other crops and hay	737	158	251	2,132	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	4,745	225	254	2,457	3,073
Poultry and eggs	(D)	50	235	(D)	3,007
Cattle and calves	2,706	231	254	2,022	3,055
Milk from cows	-	-	94	-	1,892
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	216	(D)	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	72	139	247	1,488	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	345	87	254	629	2,970
Aquaculture	(D)	13	79	(D)	1,251
Other animals and animal products	201	71	229	526	2,878

Total Producers ^c

1,042

Sex

Male	642
Female	400

Age

<35	107
35 – 64	681
65 and older	254

Race

American Indian/Alaska Native	19
Asian	12
Black or African American	20
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-
White	976
More than one race	15

Other characteristics

Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	64
With military service	102
New and beginning farmers	381

Percent of farms that:

Have internet access **69**

Farm organically **(Z)**

Sell directly to consumers **7**

Hire farm labor **20**

Are family farms **98**

Top Crops in Acres ^d

Forage (hay/haylage), all	7,616
Soybeans for beans	(D)
Nursery stock crops	193
Vegetables harvested, all	39
Pecans, all	38

Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)

Broilers and other meat-type chickens	(D)
Cattle and calves	10,374
Goats	624
Hogs and pigs	655
Horses and ponies	1,038
Layers	17,110
Pullets	63
Sheep and lambs	274
Turkeys	164

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.