



Ector County Texas

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2022 and change since 2017

	2022	% change since 2017
Number of farms	178	-35
Land in farms (acres)	417,245	-25
Average size of farm (acres)	2,344	+16
Total	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	3,822,000	+13
Government payments	141,000	+145
Farm-related income	1,273,000	-67
Total farm production expenses	10,413,000	+20
Net cash farm income	-5,177,000	-273
Per farm average	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	21,470	+75
Government payments ^a	15,637	+9
Farm-related income ^a	34,411	-70
Total farm production expenses	58,498	+85
Net cash farm income	-29,085	-476

(Z) Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	6
Livestock, poultry, and products	94

Land in Farms by Use (acres)

Cropland	1,934
Pastureland	406,195
Woodland	(D)
Other	(D)

Acres irrigated: 389

(Z)% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	3
Reduced till	-
Intensive till	4
Cover crop	1

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^b
Less than \$2,500	107	60
\$2,500 to \$4,999	31	17
\$5,000 to \$9,999	10	6
\$10,000 to \$24,999	2	1
\$25,000 to \$49,999	11	6
\$50,000 to \$99,999	5	3
\$100,000 or more	12	7

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^b
1 to 9 acres	45	25
10 to 49 acres	70	39
50 to 179 acres	29	16
180 to 499 acres	8	4
500 to 999 acres	3	2
1,000+ acres	23	13

Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold

	Sales (\$1,000)	Rank in State ^c	Counties Producing Item	Rank in U.S. ^c	Counties Producing Item
Total	3,822	245	254	2,904	3,078
Crops	237	244	254	2,977	3,074
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	(D)	222	236	(D)	2,917
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	267
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	170	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	(D)	174	195	(D)	2,831
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	7	160	215	1,898	2,711
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	(D)	105	183	(D)	2,660
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	-	-	42	-	1,274
Other crops and hay	20	237	249	2,739	3,035
Livestock, poultry, and products	3,585	234	254	2,557	3,076
Poultry and eggs	43	141	244	1,704	3,027
Cattle and calves	3,110	223	254	1,942	3,047
Milk from cows	-	-	93	-	1,770
Hogs and pigs	7	127	222	1,607	2,814
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	80	153	247	1,579	2,967
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	340	106	253	785	2,907
Aquaculture	-	-	79	-	1,190
Other animals and animal products	5	172	234	1,833	2,909

Producers ^d	303	Percent of farms that:	Top Crops in Acres ^e
Sex		Have internet access	73
Male	174		
Female	129		
Age		Farm organically	-
<35	25		
35 – 64	146		
65 and older	132		
Race		Sell directly to consumers	7
American Indian/Alaska Native	-		
Asian	-		
Black or African American	24		
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-	Hire farm labor	15
White	279		
More than one race	-		
Other characteristics		Are family farms	96
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	32		
With military service	11		
New and beginning farmers	79		
			Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2022)
			Broilers and other meat-type chickens
			120
			Cattle and calves
			4,176
			Goats
			487
			Hogs and pigs
			50
			Horses and ponies
			990
			Layers
			872
			Pullets
			70
			Sheep and lambs
			259
			Turkeys
			36

^a Average per farm receiving. ^b May not add to 100% due to rounding. ^c Among counties whose rank can be displayed. ^d Data collected for a maximum of four producers per farm. ^e Crop commodity names may be shortened; see full names at www.nass.usda.gov/go/cropnames.pdf. ^f 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.