



Matagorda County Texas

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2022 and change since 2017

	2022	% change since 2017
Number of farms	814	-5
Land in farms (acres)	545,730	-1
Average size of farm (acres)	670	+4
Total	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	157,078,000	+26
Government payments	9,360,000	-2
Farm-related income	6,221,000	-19
Total farm production expenses	119,330,000	+14
Net cash farm income	53,329,000	+43
Per farm average	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	192,970	+33
Government payments ^a	38,840	-7
Farm-related income ^a	23,127	-12
Total farm production expenses	146,597	+21
Net cash farm income	65,515	+51

(Z) Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	69
Livestock, poultry, and products	31

Land in Farms by Use (acres)

Cropland	146,069
Pastureland	345,130
Woodland	46,096
Other	8,435

Acres irrigated: 36,184

7% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	1
Reduced till	5
Intensive till	11
Cover crop	1

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^b
Less than \$2,500	252	31
\$2,500 to \$4,999	80	10
\$5,000 to \$9,999	93	11
\$10,000 to \$24,999	122	15
\$25,000 to \$49,999	69	8
\$50,000 to \$99,999	53	7
\$100,000 or more	145	18

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^b
1 to 9 acres	58	7
10 to 49 acres	240	29
50 to 179 acres	197	24
180 to 499 acres	137	17
500 to 999 acres	75	9
1,000+ acres	107	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	157,078	40	254	1,021	3,078
Crops	107,882	12	254	785	3,074
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	42,934	17	236	1,000	2,917
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	267
Cotton and cottonseed	18,337	24	170	102	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	(D)	168	195	(D)	2,831
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	(D)	(D)	215	(D)	2,711
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	41,324	7	183	100	2,660
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	-	-	42	-	1,274
Other crops and hay	5,208	58	249	658	3,035
Livestock, poultry, and products	49,196	78	254	1,101	3,076
Poultry and eggs	62	128	244	1,550	3,027
Cattle and calves	22,870	104	254	757	3,047
Milk from cows	-	-	93	-	1,770
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	222	1,579	2,814
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	(D)	(D)	247	(D)	2,967
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	260	123	253	954	2,907
Aquaculture	25,841	1	79	20	1,190
Other animals and animal products	125	112	234	885	2,909

Producers ^d	1,397	Percent of farms that:	Top Crops in Acres ^e
Sex		Have internet access	Cotton, all 31,546
Male	927	73	Corn for grain 29,170
Female	470		Forage (hay/haylage), all 24,107
Age		Farm organically	Rice 13,853
<35	90	1	Sorghum for grain 9,369
35 – 64	743		
65 and older	564		
Race		Sell directly to consumers	Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2022)
American Indian/Alaska Native	2	2	Broilers and other meat-type chickens 224
Asian	22		Cattle and calves 52,774
Black or African American	74	Hire farm labor	Goats 303
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	9	22	Hogs and pigs 51
White	1,268		Horses and ponies 614
More than one race	22	Are family farms	Layers 1,728
Other characteristics		95	Pullets 237
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	142		Sheep and lambs 349
With military service	102		Turkeys 24
New and beginning farmers	432		

^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.