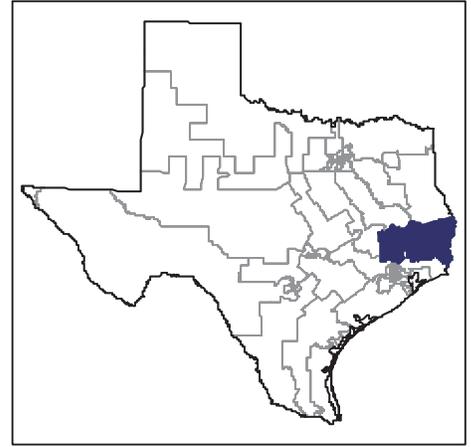


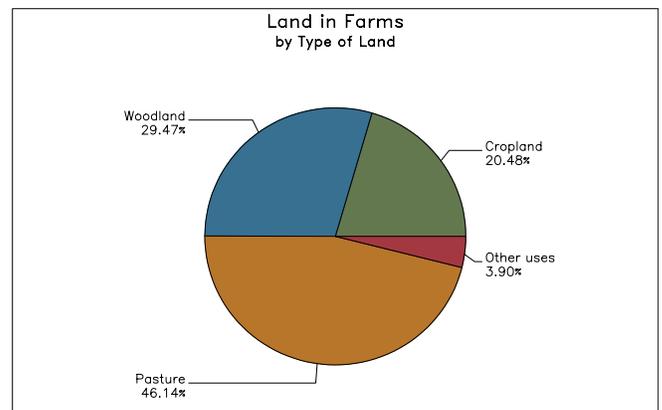
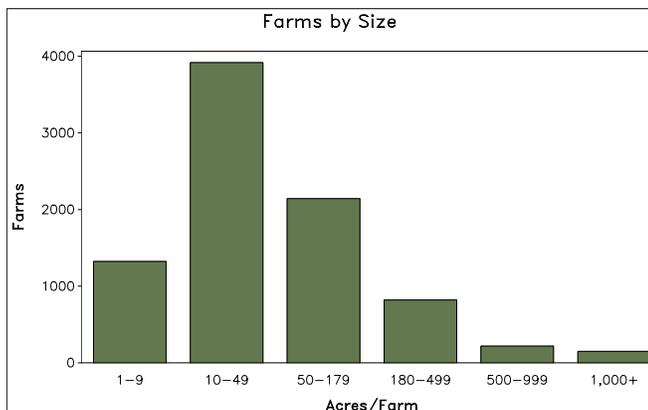
2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

Congressional District Profile

Texas 8th District



	2007	2002	% change
Number of Farm Operators	13,362	11,678	+ 14
Number of Farms	8,571	7,708	+ 11
Land in Farms	1,107,018 acres	1,165,512 acres	- 5
Average Size of Farm	129 acres	151 acres	- 15
Irrigated Land	8,783 acres	7,409 acres	+ 19
<hr/>			
Market Value of Products Sold	\$132,955,000	\$82,740,000	+ 61
Average Per Farm	\$15,512	\$10,734	+ 45
Gross Income, Farm Related Sources	\$8,770,000	\$8,452,000	+ 4
<hr/>			
Government Payments	\$2,319,000	\$808,000	+ 187
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$7,997	\$7,089	+ 13



2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

Congressional District Profile

Texas 8th District

Ranked items among the 32 congressional districts in the state, and among the 435 congressional districts in the U.S., 2007

Item	Quantity	State Rank	Universe ¹	U.S. Rank	Universe ¹
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)					
Total value of agricultural products sold	132,955	17	32	247	425
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	74,842	17	32	240	425
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	58,112	19	32	228	415
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	(D)	21	31	267	371
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	81
Cotton and cottonseed	(D)	17	21	76	102
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	2,529	16	30	273	403
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	3,061	17	30	181	398
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	53,895	5	32	84	421
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	857	5	21	68	328
Other crops and hay	(D)	18	32	139	389
Poultry and eggs	2,281	14	32	219	395
Cattle and calves	37,942	18	32	164	393
Milk and other dairy products from cows	405	16	23	301	343
Hogs and pigs	(D)	7	30	(D)	368
Sheep, goats, and their products	455	18	31	186	383
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	4,902	9	32	55	401
Aquaculture	478	10	23	197	336
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	1	32	23	395
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	104,385	17	32	131	398
Short-rotation woody crops	7,200	2	23	10	254
Cotton, all	(D)	17	21	83	103
Sorghum for grain	(D)	22	24	73	219
Corn for grain	1,504	19	29	254	343
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Quail	(D)	1	24	5	318
Cattle and calves	152,894	16	32	125	396
Layers	86,026	13	32	185	395
Colonies of bees	22,521	1	30	23	389
Pheasants	(D)	1	25	(D)	329

Other Congressional District Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	3,437	Farming	3,005
\$1,000 to \$2,499	1,370	Other	5,566
\$2,500 to \$4,999	1,242	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	1,066	Male	7,340
\$10,000 to \$19,999	736	Female	1,231
\$20,000 to \$24,999	131	Average age of principal operator (years)	57.3
\$25,000 to \$39,999	248	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	106	American Indian or Alaska Native	149
\$50,000 to \$99,999	116	Asian	35
\$100,000 to \$249,999	75	Black or African American	634
\$250,000 to \$499,999	23	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	7
\$500,000 or more	21	White	12,170
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	171,532	More than one race	146
Average per farm (\$)	20,013	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	328
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	-27,489		
Average per farm (\$)	-3,207		

See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes, explanations, definitions, and methodology.

(D) Cannot be disclosed. (NA) Not available. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown.

¹ Universe is number of congressional districts in state or U.S. with item. ² Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.