



# Bell County Texas

## Total and Per Farm Overview, 2022 and change since 2017

	2022	% change since 2017
Number of farms	2,330	-4
Land in farms (acres)	496,484	+2
Average size of farm (acres)	213	+7
<b>Total</b>	<b>(\$)</b>	
Market value of products sold	90,098,000	+17
Government payments	1,690,000	-55
Farm-related income	6,060,000	+51
Total farm production expenses	108,183,000	+43
Net cash farm income	-10,335,000	-212
<b>Per farm average</b>	<b>(\$)</b>	
Market value of products sold	38,669	+22
Government payments <sup>a</sup>	7,647	-52
Farm-related income <sup>a</sup>	11,413	+53
Total farm production expenses	46,430	+50
Net cash farm income	-4,436	-217

(Z) Percent of state agriculture sales

### Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	55
Livestock, poultry, and products	45

### Land in Farms by Use (acres)

Cropland	156,364
Pastureland	309,272
Woodland	15,820
Other	15,028

Acres irrigated: 1,337

(Z)% of land in farms

### Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	8
Reduced till	4
Intensive till	10
Cover crop	3

## Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total <sup>b</sup>
Less than \$2,500	1,089	47
\$2,500 to \$4,999	310	13
\$5,000 to \$9,999	308	13
\$10,000 to \$24,999	306	13
\$25,000 to \$49,999	128	5
\$50,000 to \$99,999	72	3
\$100,000 or more	117	5

## Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total <sup>b</sup>
1 to 9 acres	250	11
10 to 49 acres	1,140	49
50 to 179 acres	596	26
180 to 499 acres	240	10
500 to 999 acres	50	2
1,000+ acres	54	2

Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold

	Sales (\$1,000)	Rank in State <sup>c</sup>	Counties Producing Item	Rank in U.S. <sup>c</sup>	Counties Producing Item
<b>Total</b>	<b>90,098</b>	<b>76</b>	<b>254</b>	<b>1,493</b>	<b>3,078</b>
<b>Crops</b>	<b>49,734</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>254</b>	<b>1,308</b>	<b>3,074</b>
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	40,751	19	236	1,017	2,917
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	267
Cotton and cottonseed	1,940	95	170	384	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	500	75	195	1,107	2,831
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	1,959	17	215	405	2,711
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	211	104	183	1,335	2,660
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	-	-	42	-	1,274
Other crops and hay	4,373	72	249	784	3,035
<b>Livestock, poultry, and products</b>	<b>40,364</b>	<b>98</b>	<b>254</b>	<b>1,265</b>	<b>3,076</b>
Poultry and eggs	341	74	244	967	3,027
Cattle and calves	32,797	78	254	547	3,047
Milk from cows	-	-	93	-	1,770
Hogs and pigs	329	14	222	669	2,814
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	4,808	7	247	22	2,967
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	1,595	39	253	172	2,907
Aquaculture	-	-	79	-	1,190
Other animals and animal products	495	61	234	389	2,909

<b>Producers <sup>d</sup></b>	<b>4,124</b>	<b>Percent of farms that:</b>	<b>Top Crops in Acres <sup>e</sup></b>
<b>Sex</b>		Have internet access	Corn for grain 69,171
Male	2,429	<b>79</b>	Forage (hay/haylage), all 29,681
Female	1,695		Wheat for grain, all 16,783
<b>Age</b>		Farm organically	Cotton, all 6,215
<35	203	<b>(Z)</b>	Sorghum for grain 3,305
35 – 64	2,104		
65 and older	1,817		
<b>Race</b>		Sell directly to consumers	<b>Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2022)</b>
American Indian/Alaska Native	33	<b>5</b>	Broilers and other meat-type chickens 1,611
Asian	24		Cattle and calves 51,483
Black or African American	120		Goats 9,643
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-		Hogs and pigs 1,129
White	3,882	Hire farm labor	Horses and ponies 1,874
More than one race	65	<b>15</b>	Layers 8,730
<b>Other characteristics</b>		Are family farms	Pullets 1,222
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	251	<b>97</b>	Sheep and lambs 6,284
With military service	727		Turkeys 249
New and beginning farmers	1,206		

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