

Agricultural Facts

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- According to 2003 U.S. production estimates, Texas is the leading state in the production of upland cotton and cottonseed, cattle and calves, sheep and lambs, goats, wool, mohair and hay.
Source: Texas Farm Bureau - www.txfb.com
- Agriculture generates \$73 billion annually throughout the Texas economy
Source: Texas Department of Agriculture - www.gotexan.org
- One of every seven working Texans works in an agriculture-related industry
Source: Texas Department of agriculture - www.gotexan.org
- Food, horticulture and fiber is the second largest industry in Texas
Source: Texas Department of Agriculture - www.agr.state.tx.us
- More than 80% of the land in Texas is used for agriculture-related production.
Source: Texas Department of Agriculture - www.gotexan.org
- Texas ranks 3rd in U. S. agriculture exports with exports valued at \$3.5 billion annually.
Source: Texas Department of Agriculture - www.gotexan.org
- The average American earned enough income to buy all his or her food for 2007 by February 6th. That only takes 36 days per year. However, the average American will work until early March, a full 77 days, to earn enough to pay his or her taxes each year..
Source: Texas Farm Bureau - www.txfb.com
- Did you know that Texas is the tenth largest milk producer in the United States?
Source: Texas Farm Bureau - www.txfb.com
- In 2003 twenty-nine percent of agricultural producers in the United States were women; the number of women who were principle operators increased 7% from 1997
Source: Texas Department of Agriculture - www.gotexan.org
- The 2005 upland cotton crop in Texas totaled 8.2 million bales, about one-third of the cotton production of the U.S.
Source: Texas Department of Agriculture - www.agr.state.tx.us
- Cotton producers receive 41 cents for the cotton used to make a \$35 dress shirt.
Source: Texas Farm Bureau - www.txfb.com
- Texas ranks second among agriculture states in the U.S., accounting for 7% of the U. S. agriculture economy.
Source: Texas Department of Agriculture - www.gotexan.org
- Each Texas farmer grows enough food and fiber for 128 people - 94.3 in the U. S. and 33.7 abroad
Source: Texas Department of Agriculture - www.gotexan.org
20 different apple varieties are grown in Texas, mostly in the South Plains around Lubbock or along the Texas-New Mexico Border
Source: Texas Department of Agriculture - www.gotexan.org