

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Colorado Agricultural Statistics Service



ADAMS COLORADO

Land in farms

Decreased 2 percent from 685,813 acres in 1992 to 673,713 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased 7 percent from 1,044 acres in 1992 to 968 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Decreased 10 percent from 386 farms in 1992 to 348 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

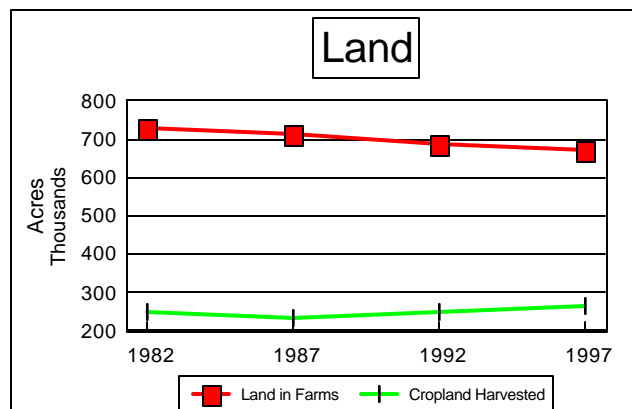
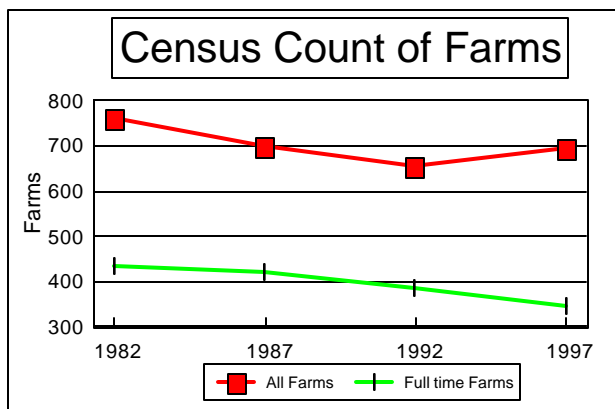
Increased 3 percent to \$87,739,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 78 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 22 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Decreased 3 percent from \$129,997 in 1992 to \$126,062 in 1997.



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Ranked Items Within State and U.S., 1997

Item	Quantity	State		U.S.	
		Rank	Universe*	Rank	Universe*
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)					
Total value of agricultural products sold	87,739	12	63	627	3,076
Value of crops including nursery	68,516	5	62	330	3,070
Value of livestock and poultry	19,223	23	63	1,287	3,069
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Nursery and greenhouse crops	27,166	2	51	72	2,790
Wheat	20,295	3	47	73	2,578
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	14,518	2	38	77	2,739
Cattle and calves	9,711	28	63	911	3,063
Dairy products	4,756	7	42	657	2,563
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Hogs and pigs sold	(D)	11	54	748	2,976
Cattle and calves sold	17,187	34	63	1,134	3,063
Turkeys sold	(D)	2	28	442	1,353
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	(D)	14	41	812	2,200
Sheep and lambs sold	753	30	56	987	2,765
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	21,298	38	62	1,482	3,064
Hogs and pigs inventory	(D)	10	55	752	3,005
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	1,746	9	58	994	3,002
Horse and pony inventory	1,390	20	63	441	3,066
Sheep and lamb inventory	610	36	56	1,280	2,864
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Wheat-acres	208,883	3	50	54	2,612
Hay crops-acres	15,856	37	62	1,263	3,061
Corn for grain-acres	12,634	14	35	989	2,691
Proso millet-acres	12,120	4	18	8	190
Land used for vegetables-acres	4,940	2	38	138	2,741

Some counties do not have five commodities in a group.

Other County Summary Highlights

Item	1997	1992	Percent Change
Farms by value of sales:			
Less than \$10,000	341	291	17
\$10,000 or more	355	366	-3
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	67,875	66,713	2
Average per farmdollars..	97,242	101,388	-4
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	18,416	20,699	-11
Average per farmdollars..	26,384	31,457	-16
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	550	514	7
Partnership or corporation	142	141	1
Other	4	2	100
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	348	386	-10
Other	348	271	28
Operators by sex:			
Male	620	599	4
Female	76	58	31
Operators by race:			
White	679	641	6
Black and other races	17	16	6
Average age of operator	54.9	53.9	2

(D) Cannot be disclosed. See "Census of Agriculture Volume 1 Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

* Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item.