

1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

United States Department of Agriculture
Colorado Agricultural Statistics Service



FREMONT COLORADO

Land in farms

Decreased 15 percent from 331,639 acres in 1992 to 283,490 acres in 1997.

Average size of farms

Decreased 29 percent from 710 acres in 1992 to 505 acres in 1997.

Full time farms

Increased 32 percent from 164 farms in 1992 to 216 farms in 1997.

Market value of agricultural products sold

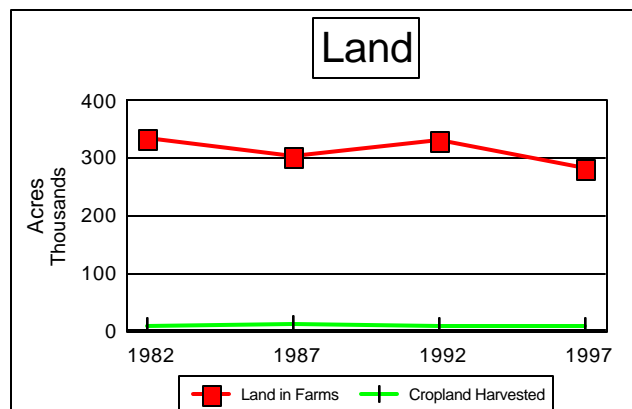
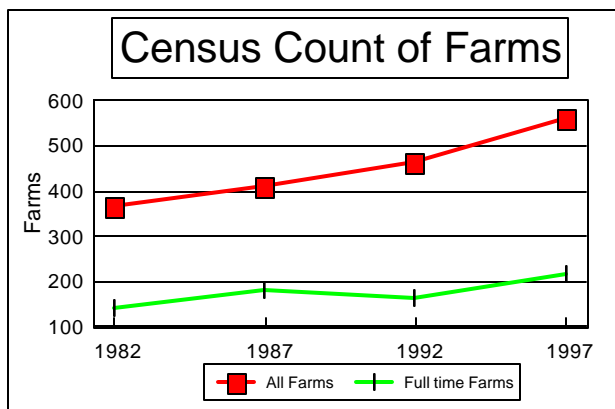
Decreased 10 percent to \$12,126,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 29 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 71 percent of the market value.

Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Decreased 25 percent from \$28,787 in 1992 to \$21,615 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	12,126	42	63	2,412	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	8,647	38	63	1,975	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	3,479	39	62	2,296	3,070
TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)					
Dairy products	4,837	6	42	653	2,563
Cattle and calves	3,082	46	63	1,832	3,063
Nursery and greenhouse crops	2,441	14	51	630	2,790
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	832	41	60	1,121	3,043
Horses and ponies	478	11	61	290	3,015
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)					
Cattle and calves sold	8,064	43	63	1,788	3,063
Sheep and lambs sold	536	37	56	1,197	2,765
Hogs and pigs sold	319	35	54	2,243	2,976
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	314	21	41	1,056	2,200
Horses and ponies sold	257	11	61	244	3,015
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)					
Cattle and calves inventory	16,080	40	62	1,748	3,064
Horse and pony inventory	1,636	17	63	315	3,066
Layers 20 weeks and older inventory	958	14	58	1,224	3,002
Sheep and lamb inventory	498	39	56	1,419	2,864
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	493	15	56	1,022	2,884
TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA					
Hay crops-acres	8,754	46	62	1,832	3,061
Land in orchards-acres	158	5	31	841	2,693
All nursery-acres	76	23	43	1,333	2,619
Total herbs-acres	(D)	4	16	121	649
Wheat-acres	60	47	50	2,405	2,612

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	446	352	27
\$10,000 or more	115	115	
Total farm production expenses\$1,000..	10,119	12,608	-20
Average per farmdollars..	18,037	27,057	-33
Net cash return from agricultural sales			
for the farm unit\$1,000..	1,326	1,278	4
Average per farmdollars..	2,363	2,741	-14
Farms by type of organization:			
Individual or family	500	420	19
Partnership or corporation	56	38	47
Other	5	9	-44
OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS			
Operators by principal occupation:			
Farming	216	164	32
Other	345	303	14
Operators by sex:			
Male	482	412	17
Female	79	55	44
Operators by race:			
White	552	457	21
Black and other races	9	10	-10
Average age of operator	54.0	54.4	-1

(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.