

# 1997 Census of Agriculture County Profile

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Colorado Agricultural Statistics Service



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### Land in farms

Decreased 8 percent from 896,994 acres in 1992 to 822,584 acres in 1997.

### Average size of farms

Decreased 15 percent from 1,454 acres in 1992 to 1,239 acres in 1997.

### Full time farms

Increased slightly from 318 farms in 1992 to 321 farms in 1997.

### Market value of agricultural products sold

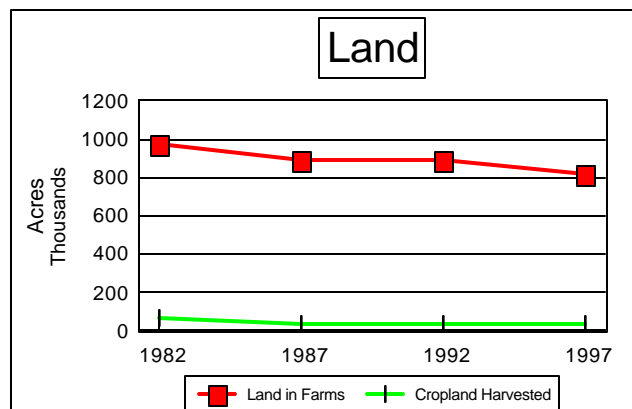
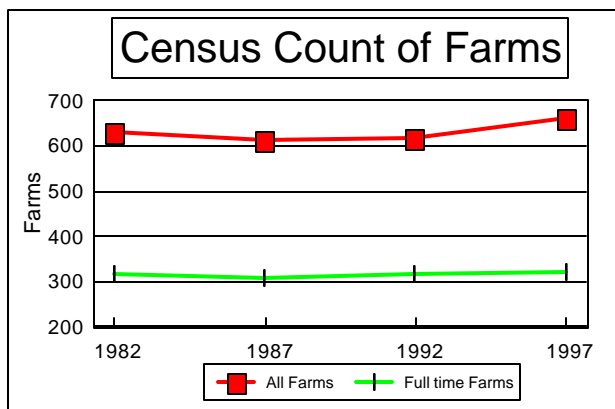
Decreased 6 percent to \$33,642,000 in 1997.

Crop sales accounted for 42 percent of the market value.

Livestock sales accounted for 58 percent of the market value.

### Market value of agricultural products sold, average per farm

Decreased 13 percent from \$58,034 in 1992 to \$50,666 in 1997.



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### Ranked Items Within State and U.S., 1997

Item	Quantity	State		U.S.	
		Rank	Universe*	Rank	Universe*
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)</b>					
Total value of agricultural products sold	33,642	26	63	1,615	3,076
Value of livestock and poultry	19,395	21	63	1,273	3,069
Value of crops including nursery	14,247	26	62	1,516	3,070
<b>TOP FIVE ALL COMMODITIES - VALUE OF SALES (\$1,000)</b>					
Cattle and calves	16,125	20	63	542	3,063
Vegetables, sweet corn, and melons	4,925	8	38	185	2,739
Nursery and greenhouse crops	3,394	13	51	521	2,790
Corn for grain	2,554	16	35	1,032	2,582
Hay, silage, field seeds, grass seeds	2,047	24	60	384	3,043
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK SOLD (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves sold	32,418	21	63	571	3,063
Hogs and pigs sold	3,490	19	54	1,365	2,976
Colonies of bees sold	(D)	2	17	20	611
Ducks, geese, and other poultry sold	1,949	11	41	608	2,200
Sheep and lambs sold	698	33	56	1,038	2,765
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - LIVESTOCK INVENTORY (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves inventory	51,278	19	62	584	3,064
Hogs and pigs inventory	2,641	14	55	1,227	3,005
Horse and pony inventory	2,492	11	63	138	3,066
Ducks, geese, and other poultry inventory	2,110	5	56	435	2,884
Sheep and lamb inventory	679	34	56	1,207	2,864
<b>TOP FIVE COMMODITIES - CROP AREA</b>					
Hay crops-acres	18,502	33	62	1,108	3,061
Corn for grain-acres	6,762	17	35	1,208	2,691
All nursery-acres	3,031	2	43	78	2,619
Wheat-acres	2,829	35	50	1,294	2,612
Land used for vegetables-acres	2,307	5	38	259	2,741

Some counties do not have five commodities in a group.

### Other County Summary Highlights

Item	1997	1992	Percent Change
<b>Farms by value of sales:</b>			
Less than \$10,000 .....	361	354	2
\$10,000 or more .....	303	263	15
Total farm production expenses .....\$1,000..	30,388	31,268	-3
Average per farm .....dollars..	45,766	50,760	-10
<b>Net cash return from agricultural sales</b>			
for the farm unit .....\$1,000..	6,039	3,333	81
Average per farm .....dollars..	9,096	5,411	68
<b>Farms by type of organization:</b>			
Individual or family .....	565	512	10
Partnership or corporation .....	92	102	-10
Other .....	7	3	133
<b>OPERATOR CHARACTERISTICS</b>			
<b>Operators by principal occupation:</b>			
Farming .....	321	318	1
Other .....	343	299	15
<b>Operators by sex:</b>			
Male .....	606	553	10
Female .....	58	64	-9
<b>Operators by race:</b>			
White .....	641	589	9
Black and other races .....	23	28	-18
Average age of operator .....	54.7	54.7	

(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.