

2002 Census of Agriculture County Profile

Arapahoe, Colorado

Number of farms

448 farms in 2002, 288 farms in 1997, up 56 percent.

Land in farms

332,585 acres in 2002, 346,534 acres in 1997, down 4 percent.

Average size of farm

742 acres in 2002, 1,203 acres in 1997, down 38 percent.

Market Value of Production

\$19,975,000 in 2002, \$24,346,000 in 1997, down 18 percent.

Crop sales accounted for \$15,218,000 of the total value in 2002.

Livestock sales accounted for \$4,757,000 of the total value in 2002.

Market Value of Production, average per farm

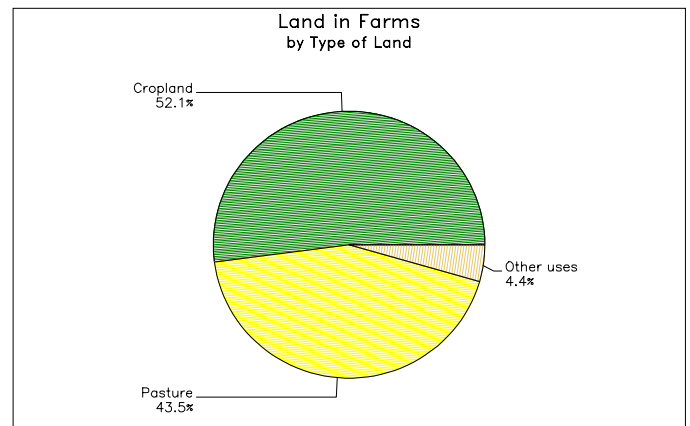
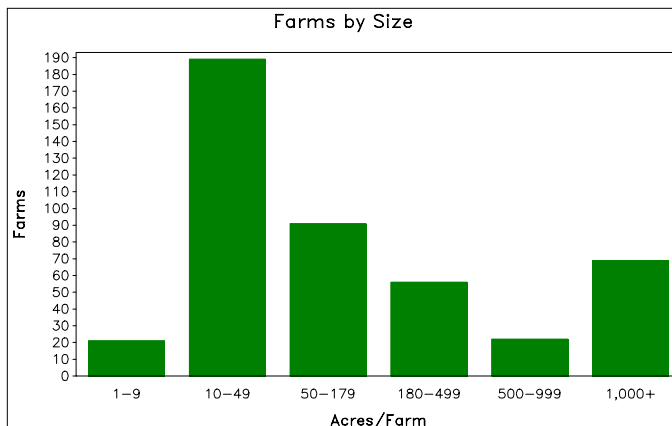
\$44,588 in 2002, \$84,536 in 1997, down 47 percent.

Government Payments

\$1,556,000 in 2002, \$1,408,000 in 1997, up 11 percent.

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments

\$10,511 in 2002, \$12,919 in 1997, down 19 percent.



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Ranked items among the 63 state counties and 3,078 U.S. counties, 2002

Item	Quantity	State Rank	Universe ¹	U.S. Rank	Universe ¹
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)					
Total value of agricultural products sold	19,975	35	62	2,097	3,075
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	15,218	21	62	1,373	3,070
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	4,757	44	62	2,371	3,070
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	(D)	(D)	44	(D)	2,871
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	560
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	656
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	6	37	42	2,558	2,747
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	-	-	28	-	2,638
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	49	(D)	2,708
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	24	-	1,774
Other crops and hay	612	36	61	1,714	3,046
Poultry and eggs	13	18	53	1,905	2,918
Cattle and calves	(D)	(D)	60	(D)	3,053
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	(D)	40	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	556	15	56	1,013	2,919
Sheep, goats, and their products	55	30	57	1,183	2,997
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	432	14	61	475	3,014
Aquaculture	(D)	(D)	27	(D)	1,520
Other animals and other animal products	8	46	52	1,914	2,727
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	8,549	44	61	2,184	3,059
Hogs and pigs	3,915	14	53	943	2,926
Horses and ponies	1,601	21	63	685	3,065
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	725	3	48	985	2,599
Layers 20 weeks old and older	684	17	57	1,670	2,983
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
All Wheat for grain	59,751	13	41	227	2,517
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	6,975	40	61	2,058	3,059
Sunflower seed	1,647	13	19	146	746
Proso millet	952	12	15	40	177
Corn for grain	353	25	28	2,075	2,592

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	177	Farming	224
\$1,000 to \$2,499	51	Other	224
\$2,500 to \$4,999	69		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	31	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	42	Male	370
\$20,000 to \$24,999	15	Female	78
\$25,000 to \$39,999	16		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	7	Average age of principal operator (years)	53.1
\$50,000 to \$99,999	13		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	17	All operators ² by race:	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	4	White	717
\$500,000 or more	6	Black or African American	4
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	20,085	American Indian or Alaska Native	6
Average per farm (\$)	45,237	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		Asian	2
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	1,897	More than one race	2
Average per farm (\$)	4,273	All operators ² of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin	33

(D) Cannot be disclosed. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown. See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

¹ Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item.

² Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.