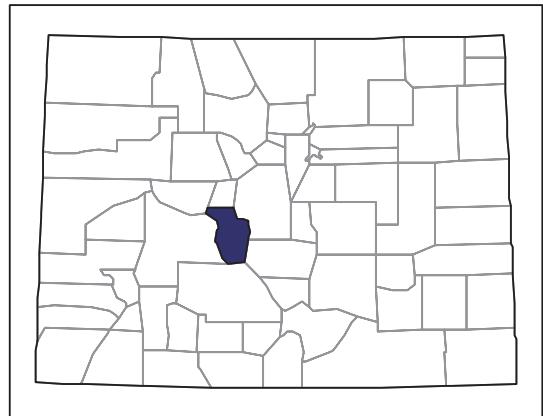


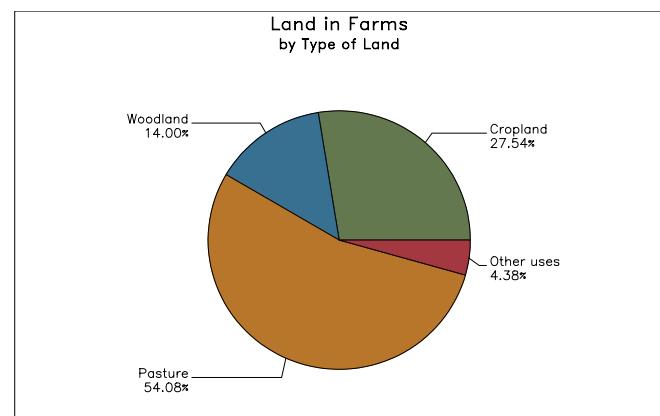
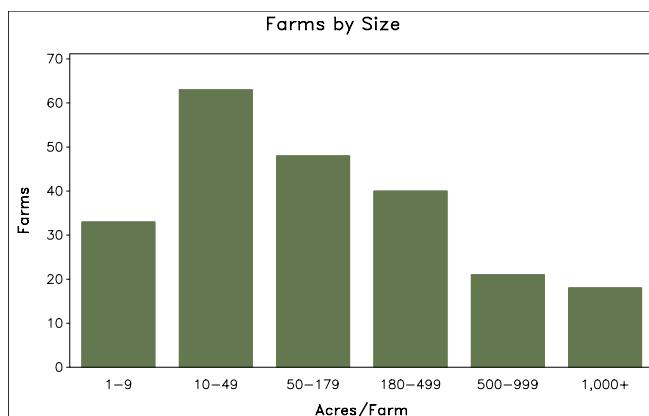
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## County Profile

### Chaffee County Colorado



|  | 2007         | 2002         | % change |
|--|--------------|--------------|----------|
| <b>Number of Farms</b>                   | 223          | 212          | + 5      |
| <b>Land in Farms</b>                     | 79,405 acres | 71,188 acres | + 12     |
| <b>Average Size of Farm</b>              | 356 acres    | 336 acres    | + 6      |
| <b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>     | \$8,091,000  | \$8,536,000  | - 5      |
| Crop Sales \$3,068,000 (38 percent)      |              |              |          |
| Livestock Sales \$5,024,000 (62 percent) |              |              |          |
| <b>Average Per Farm</b>                  | \$36,284     | \$40,266     | - 10     |
| <b>Government Payments</b>               | \$33,000     | \$64,000     | - 48     |
| Average Per Farm Receiving Payments      | \$2,532      | \$4,021      | - 37     |



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#### Ranked items among the 64 state counties and 3,079 U.S. counties, 2007

| Item  | Quantity | State Rank | Universe <sup>1</sup> | U.S. Rank | Universe <sup>1</sup> |
|---|----------|------------|-----------------------|-----------|-----------------------|
| <b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)</b>             |          |            |                       |           |                       |
| Total value of agricultural products sold                               | 8,091    | 48         | 63                    | 2,686     | 3,076                 |
| Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse                         | 3,068    | 43         | 62                    | 2,446     | 3,072                 |
| Value of livestock, poultry, and their products                         | 5,024    | 46         | 63                    | 2,436     | 3,069                 |
| <b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>                      |          |            |                       |           |                       |
| Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas                               | -        | -          | 50                    | -         | 2,933                 |
| Tobacco   | -        | -          | -                     | -         | 437                   |
| Cotton and cottonseed   | -        | -          | -                     | -         | 626                   |
| Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes                        | -        | -          | 49                    | -         | 2,796                 |
| Fruits, tree nuts, and berries  | -        | -          | 24                    | -         | 2,659                 |
| Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod                              | (D)      | 19         | 49                    | (D)       | 2,703                 |
| Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops                      | (D)      | 21         | 31                    | (D)       | 1,710                 |
| Other crops and hay   | (D)      | 38         | 62                    | (D)       | 3,054                 |
| Poultry and eggs  | 7        | 42         | 60                    | 2,579     | 3,020                 |
| Cattle and calves   | (D)      | (D)        | 62                    | (D)       | 3,054                 |
| Milk and other dairy products from cows                                 | (D)      | (D)        | 50                    | (D)       | 2,493                 |
| Hogs and pigs   | 2        | 51         | 56                    | 2,717     | 2,922                 |
| Sheep, goats, and their products  | 21       | 43         | 58                    | 2,266     | 2,998                 |
| Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys                              | 127      | 38         | 62                    | 1,505     | 3,024                 |
| Aquaculture   | (D)      | 5          | 24                    | (D)       | 1,498                 |
| Other animals and other animal products                                 | 106      | 28         | 53                    | 974       | 2,875                 |
| <b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>   |          |            |                       |           |                       |
| Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop | 12,179   | 40         | 63                    | 1,525     | 3,060                 |
| Wheat for grain, all  | (D)      | 44         | 48                    | (D)       | 2,481                 |
| Short-rotation woody crops  | (D)      | 12         | 29                    | (D)       | 1,134                 |
| Nursery stock   | (D)      | 29         | 35                    | (D)       | 2,130                 |
| Apples  | 4        | 17         | 22                    | 1,347     | 2,144                 |
| <b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>                           |          |            |                       |           |                       |
| Cattle and calves   | 7,928    | 43         | 63                    | 2,177     | 3,060                 |
| Horses and ponies   | 963      | 39         | 63                    | 1,434     | 3,066                 |
| Layers  | 362      | 40         | 59                    | 2,378     | 3,024                 |
| Goats, all  | 259      | 37         | 59                    | 2,044     | 3,023                 |
| Elk   | (D)      | 10         | 27                    | (D)       | 824                   |

#### Other County Highlights

| Economic Characteristics                    | Quantity | Operator Characteristics  | Quantity |
|---|----------|---|----------|
| Farms by value of sales:                    |          | Principal operators by primary occupation:                        |          |
| Less than \$1,000                           | 69       | Farming   | 108      |
| \$1,000 to \$2,499                          | 29       | Other   | 115      |
| \$2,500 to \$4,999                          | 29       | Principal operators by sex:                                       |          |
| \$5,000 to \$9,999                          | 16       | Male  | 190      |
| \$10,000 to \$19,999                        | 13       | Female  | 33       |
| \$20,000 to \$24,999                        | 11       | Average age of principal operator (years)                         | 59.3     |
| \$25,000 to \$39,999                        | 15       | All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :                              |          |
| \$40,000 to \$49,999                        | 8        | American Indian or Alaska Native                                  | 3        |
| \$50,000 to \$99,999                        | 11       | Asian   | -        |
| \$100,000 to \$249,999                      | 13       | Black or African American   | -        |
| \$250,000 to \$499,999                      | 6        | Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander                         | -        |
| \$500,000 or more                           | 3        | White   | 339      |
| Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)    | 7,196    | More than one race  | -        |
| Average per farm (\$)                       | 32,268   | All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup> | 3        |
| Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000) | 1,313    |   |          |
| Average per farm (\$)                       | 5,889    |   |          |

See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes, explanations, definitions, and methodology.

(D) Cannot be disclosed. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown.

<sup>1</sup> Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item. <sup>2</sup> Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.