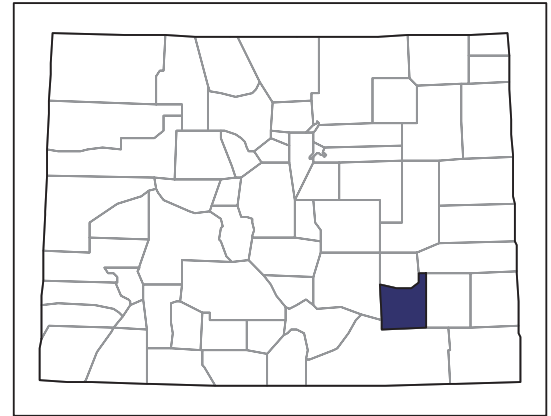


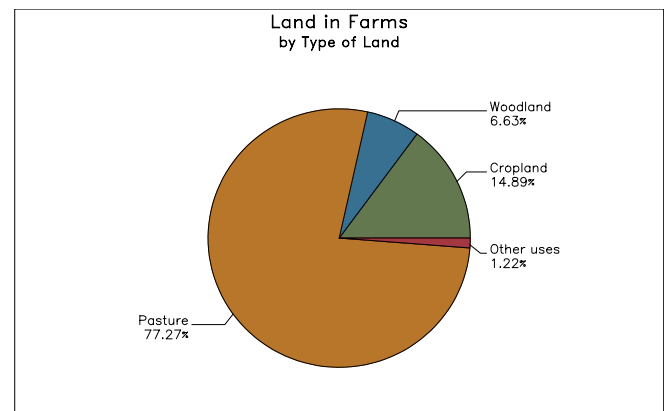
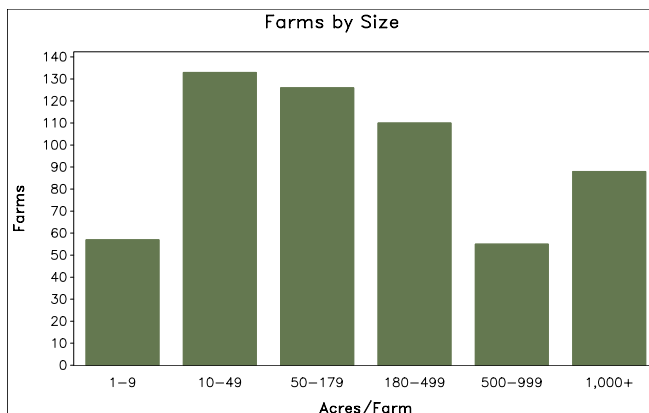
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## County Profile

### Otero County Colorado



	2007	2002	% change
<b>Number of Farms</b>	569	488	+ 17
<b>Land in Farms</b>	624,123 acres	546,396 acres	+ 14
<b>Average Size of Farm</b>	1,097 acres	1,120 acres	- 2
<b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>	\$111,187,000	\$105,991,000	+ 5
Crop Sales \$26,729,000 (24 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$84,458,000 (76 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$195,408	\$217,194	- 10
<b>Government Payments</b>	\$1,654,000	\$1,771,000	- 7
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$6,315	\$8,125	- 22



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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	111,187	12	63	793	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	26,729	20	62	1,290	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	84,458	8	63	482	3,069
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	8,307	21	50	1,313	2,933
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	437
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	9	49	(D)	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	21	24	(D)	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	29	49	(D)	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	31	-	1,710
Other crops and hay	11,371	9	62	145	3,054
Poultry and eggs	14	29	60	2,332	3,020
Cattle and calves	83,668	8	62	127	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	123	28	50	1,974	2,493
Hogs and pigs	6	43	56	2,416	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	372	14	58	343	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	(D)	30	62	(D)	3,024
Aquaculture	(D)	21	24	(D)	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	53	(D)	2,875
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	36,128	16	63	528	3,060
Corn for grain	9,459	17	38	1,196	2,634
Wheat for grain, all	6,082	23	48	909	2,481
Vegetables harvested for sale	2,113	8	48	340	2,794
Sorghum for grain	1,223	13	22	430	1,158
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	75,706	7	63	259	3,060
Goats, all	4,148	2	59	93	3,023
Sheep and lambs	3,424	17	57	309	2,891
Colonies of bees	(D)	8	40	(D)	2,640
Horses and ponies	1,269	29	63	1,079	3,066

#### Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	158	Farming	268
\$1,000 to \$2,499	39	Other	301
\$2,500 to \$4,999	47	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	36	Male	516
\$10,000 to \$19,999	44	Female	53
\$20,000 to \$24,999	15	Average age of principal operator (years)	54.9
\$25,000 to \$39,999	29	All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	16	American Indian or Alaska Native	4
\$50,000 to \$99,999	62	Asian	13
\$100,000 to \$249,999	69	Black or African American	1
\$250,000 to \$499,999	27	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	27	White	875
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	99,210	More than one race	10
Average per farm (\$)	174,358	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup>	73
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	16,198		
Average per farm (\$)	28,468		

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.