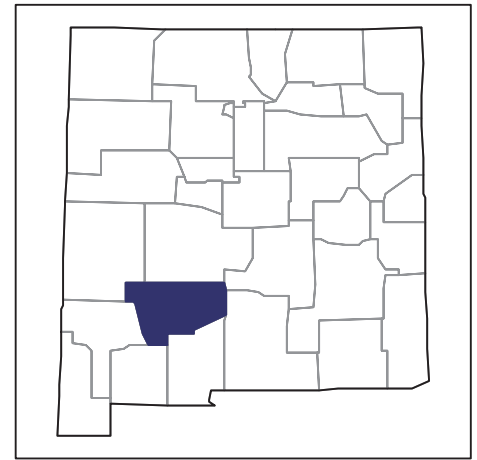


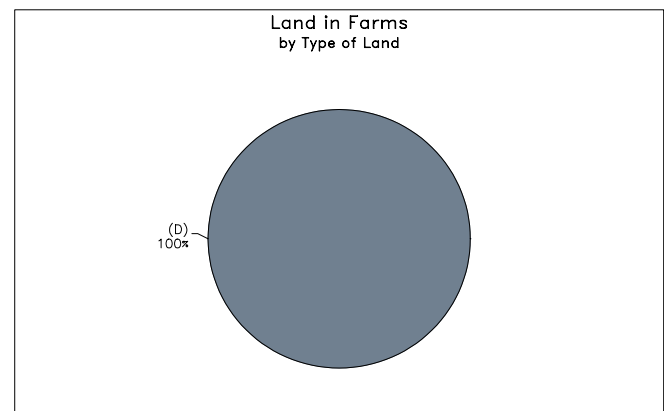
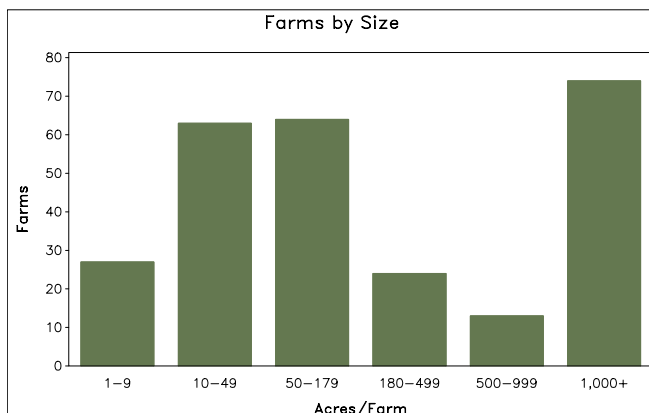
2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Sierra County New Mexico



	2007	2002	% change
Number of Farms	265	223	+ 19
Land in Farms	1,344,339 acres	1,362,866 acres	- 1
Average Size of Farm	5,073 acres	6,112 acres	- 17
Market Value of Products Sold	\$23,556,000	\$19,386,000	+ 22
Crop Sales \$6,210,000 (26 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$17,346,000 (74 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$88,891	\$86,934	+ 2
Government Payments	\$144,000	\$247,000	- 42
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$6,240	\$6,498	- 4



2007 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

County Profile

Sierra County – New Mexico

Ranked items among the 33 state counties and 3,079 U.S. counties, 2007

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	23,556	15	33	2,151	3,076
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	6,210	17	33	2,141	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	17,346	14	32	1,633	3,069
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	291	15	30	2,264	2,933
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	437
Cotton and cottonseed	(D)	10	10	(D)	626
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	2,934	6	29	469	2,796
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	6	29	(D)	2,659
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	24	28	(D)	2,703
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	8	-	1,710
Other crops and hay	(D)	18	31	(D)	3,054
Poultry and eggs	7	25	32	2,588	3,020
Cattle and calves	(D)	23	32	(D)	3,054
Milk and other dairy products from cows	(D)	9	26	(D)	2,493
Hogs and pigs	(D)	31	31	2,881	2,922
Sheep, goats, and their products	12	30	32	2,547	2,998
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	130	22	32	1,483	3,024
Aquaculture	-	-	10	-	1,498
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	4	31	(D)	2,875
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	2,660	25	32	2,631	3,060
Vegetables harvested for sale	1,070	6	29	504	2,794
Peppers, other than Bell	854	3	23	9	1,323
Pecans, all	617	6	23	191	1,315
Corn for silage	461	13	19	1,375	2,263
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	23,878	22	32	1,251	3,060
Bison	(D)	2	19	29	1,543
Horses and ponies	863	27	33	1,575	3,066
Layers	518	21	32	2,138	3,024
Quail	500	2	9	518	1,386

Other County Highlights

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	70	Farming	153
\$1,000 to \$2,499	19	Other	112
\$2,500 to \$4,999	25	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	29	Male	210
\$10,000 to \$19,999	27	Female	55
\$20,000 to \$24,999	17	Average age of principal operator (years)	57.0
\$25,000 to \$39,999	11	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	9	American Indian or Alaska Native	6
\$50,000 to \$99,999	27	Asian	2
\$100,000 to \$249,999	23	Black or African American	2
\$250,000 to \$499,999	-	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	1
\$500,000 or more	8	White	414
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	22,577	More than one race	15
Average per farm (\$)	85,195	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	152
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	1,853		
Average per farm (\$)	6,991		

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.

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.