Jefferson County
Colorado

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	597	+15
Land in farms (acres)	68,536	(Z)
Average size of farm (acres)	115	-12
Total	($)	
Market value of products sold	9,041,000	-1
Government payments	151,000	+267
Farm-related income	6,759,000	+79
Total farm production expenses	19,166,000	+13
Net cash farm income	-3,215,000	+19
Per farm average	($)	
Market value of products sold	15,144	-13
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	8,384	+328
Farm-related income	52,808	+116
Total farm production expenses	32,105	-1
Net cash farm income	-5,386	+29

(Z) Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	78
Livestock, poultry, and products	22

Land in Farms by Use (%) [a]

Cropland	8
Pastureland	43
Woodland	42
Other	7

Acres irrigated: 1,190

2% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	5
Reduced till	2
Intensive till	2
Cover crop	4

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total [a]
Less than $2,500	418	70
$2,500 to $4,999	67	11
$5,000 to $9,999	38	6
$10,000 to $24,999	35	6
$25,000 to $49,999	17	3
$50,000 to $99,999	10	2
$100,000 or more	12	2

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total [a]
1 to 9 acres	247	41
10 to 49 acres	217	36
50 to 179 acres	90	15
180 to 499 acres	24	4
500 to 999 acres	3	1
1,000 + acres	16	3

2017 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE *County Profile*

Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold

	Sales ($1,000)	Rank in State [b]	Counties Producing Item	Rank in U.S. [b]	Counties Producing Item
Total	**9,041**	**48**	**63**	**2,707**	**3,077**
Crops	**7,036**	**35**	**63**	**2,199**	**3,073**
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	(D)	42	49	(D)	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	102	26	45	1,538	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	(D)	19	31	(D)	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	6,677	11	50	325	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	25	4	24	461	1,384
Other crops and hay	150	55	62	2,643	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	**2,005**	**53**	**63**	**2,726**	**3,073**
Poultry and eggs	(D)	23	59	(D)	3,007
Cattle and calves	934	54	62	2,411	3,055
Milk from cows	-	-	23	-	1,892
Hogs and pigs	(D)	47	54	(D)	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	(D)	(D)	60	(D)	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	359	18	59	594	2,970
Aquaculture	-	-	23	-	1,251
Other animals and animal products	648	7	58	244	2,878

Total Producers [c]   1,121

Sex
Male   587
Female   534

Age
<35   87
35 – 64   650
65 and older   384

Race
American Indian/Alaska Native   1
Asian   6
Black or African American   -
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander   1
White   1,100
More than one race   13

Other characteristics
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin   19
With military service   136
New and beginning farmers   464

Percent of farms that:

Have internet access **86**

Farm organically **(Z)**

Sell directly to consumers **15**

Hire farm labor **19**

Are family farms **93**

Top Crops in Acres [d]

Forage (hay/haylage), all	2,446
Wheat for grain, all	(D)
Cultivated Christmas trees	209
Short-rotation woody crops	125
Corn for grain	(D)

Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)

Broilers and other meat-type chickens	185
Cattle and calves	2,049
Goats	395
Hogs and pigs	-
Horses and ponies	2,561
Layers	2,304
Pullets	110
Sheep and lambs	469
Turkeys	114

See 2017 Census of Agriculture, U.S. Summary and State Data, for complete footnotes, explanations, definitions, commodity descriptions, and methodology.
[a] May not add to 100% due to rounding. [b] Among counties whose rank can be displayed. [c] Data collected for a maximum of four producers per farm.
[d] Crop commodity names may be shortened; see full names at www.nass.usda.gov/go/cropnames.pdf. [e] Position below the line does not indicate rank.
(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations. (NA) Not available. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown. (-) Represents zero.