



Weld County Colorado

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	4,062	+15
Land in farms (acres)	2,098,803	+7
Average size of farm (acres)	517	-7
Total	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	2,047,177,000	+10
Government payments	19,375,000	+24
Farm-related income	48,482,000	+65
Total farm production expenses	1,719,824,000	+11
Net cash farm income	395,210,000	+11
Per farm average	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	503,982	-5
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	18,330	+64
Farm-related income	32,065	+57
Total farm production expenses	423,393	-4
Net cash farm income	97,295	-4

27 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	17
Livestock, poultry, and products	83

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	44
Pastureland	53
Woodland	(Z)
Other	2

Acres irrigated: 323,436

15% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	7
Reduced till	11
Intensive till	14
Cover crop	4

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	1,914	47
\$2,500 to \$4,999	292	7
\$5,000 to \$9,999	343	8
\$10,000 to \$24,999	364	9
\$25,000 to \$49,999	257	6
\$50,000 to \$99,999	237	6
\$100,000 or more	655	16

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	822	20
10 to 49 acres	1,059	26
50 to 179 acres	1,026	25
180 to 499 acres	470	12
500 to 999 acres	269	7
1,000 + acres	416	10

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	2,047,177	1	63	8	3,077
Crops	348,647	1	63	45	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	140,471	3	49	207	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	46,664	4	45	72	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	250	7	31	917	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	97,591	1	50	27	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	18	6	24	496	1,384
Other crops and hay	63,654	1	62	20	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	1,698,529	1	63	2	3,073
Poultry and eggs	70,044	1	59	206	3,007
Cattle and calves	1,057,898	1	62	2	3,055
Milk from cows	452,839	1	23	7	1,892
Hogs and pigs	833	11	54	610	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	106,691	1	60	1	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	2,556	1	59	58	2,970
Aquaculture	226	18	23	203	1,251
Other animals and animal products	7,442	1	58	25	2,878

Total Producers ^c	7,232	Percent of farms that:	Top Crops in Acres ^d
Sex		Have internet access	83
Male	4,280		
Female	2,952		
Age		Farm organically	1
<35	742		
35 – 64	4,355		
65 and older	2,135		
Race		Sell directly to consumers	7
American Indian/Alaska Native	42		
Asian	52		
Black or African American	3		
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	10		
White	7,097	Hire farm labor	22
More than one race	28		
Other characteristics		Are family farms	96
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	285		
With military service	720		
New and beginning farmers	2,319		
		Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)	
		Broilers and other meat-type chickens	(D)
		Cattle and calves	582,267
		Goats	6,340
		Hogs and pigs	2,459
		Horses and ponies	8,963
		Layers	3,589,459
		Pullets	1,004,527
		Sheep and lambs	180,468
		Turkeys	370

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.