



Arapahoe County Colorado

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	851	+13
Land in farms (acres)	282,912	(Z)
Average size of farm (acres)	332	-11
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Total	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	26,695,000	-16
Government payments	1,705,000	+4
Farm-related income	3,050,000	-15
Total farm production expenses	37,698,000	-3
Net cash farm income	-6,248,000	-195
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Per farm average	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	31,369	-25
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	13,320	+43
Farm-related income	13,677	-14
Total farm production expenses	44,299	-14
Net cash farm income	-7,342	-162

(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	48
Pastureland	50
Woodland	(Z)
Other	2

Acres irrigated: 1,155

(Z)% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	6
Reduced till	5
Intensive till	6
Cover crop	2

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	570	67
\$2,500 to \$4,999	85	10
\$5,000 to \$9,999	84	10
\$10,000 to \$24,999	46	5
\$25,000 to \$49,999	24	3
\$50,000 to \$99,999	17	2
\$100,000 or more	25	3

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	87	10
10 to 49 acres	542	64
50 to 179 acres	124	15
180 to 499 acres	40	5
500 to 999 acres	17	2
1,000 + acres	41	5

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	26,695	34	63	2,213	3,077
Crops	20,815	26	63	1,626	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	5,841	23	49	1,583	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	123	25	45	1,463	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	24	17	31	1,707	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	14,409	5	50	180	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	-	-	24	-	1,384
Other crops and hay	417	52	62	2,405	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	5,881	45	63	2,368	3,073
Poultry and eggs	307	10	59	840	3,007
Cattle and calves	3,497	48	62	1,902	3,055
Milk from cows	-	-	23	-	1,892
Hogs and pigs	97	22	54	918	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	191	29	60	817	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	334	21	59	650	2,970
Aquaculture	-	-	23	-	1,251
Other animals and animal products	1,455	2	58	127	2,878

Total Producers ^c

1,516

Sex

Male	825
Female	691

Age

<35	86
35 – 64	1,066
65 and older	364

Race

American Indian/Alaska Native	14
Asian	27
Black or African American	22
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	1
White	1,437
More than one race	15

Other characteristics

Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	91
With military service	218
New and beginning farmers	530

Percent of farms that:

Have internet access **88**

Farm organically **(Z)**

Sell directly to consumers **14**

Hire farm labor **10**

Are family farms **95**

Top Crops in Acres ^d

Wheat for grain, all	35,106
Forage (hay/haylage), all	4,715
Proso millet	(D)
Safflower	(D)
Sorghum for grain	(D)

Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)

Broilers and other meat-type chickens	470
Cattle and calves	8,343
Goats	1,194
Hogs and pigs	732
Horses and ponies	1,849
Layers	4,646
Pullets	226
Sheep and lambs	457
Turkeys	183

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.