



Delta County Colorado

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	1,615	+29
Land in farms (acres)	236,846	-6
Average size of farm (acres)	147	-27
Total	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	67,117,000	+21
Government payments	897,000	+23
Farm-related income	6,075,000	+115
Total farm production expenses	59,466,000	+7
Net cash farm income	14,623,000	+311
Per farm average	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	41,558	-7
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	8,883	+45
Farm-related income	15,862	+106
Total farm production expenses	36,821	-17
Net cash farm income	9,054	+218

1 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	45
Livestock, poultry, and products	55

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	29
Pastureland	52
Woodland	12
Other	7

Acres irrigated: 66,762

28% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	9
Reduced till	4
Intensive till	6
Cover crop	7

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	849	53
\$2,500 to \$4,999	165	10
\$5,000 to \$9,999	170	11
\$10,000 to \$24,999	153	9
\$25,000 to \$49,999	94	6
\$50,000 to \$99,999	54	3
\$100,000 or more	130	8

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	433	27
10 to 49 acres	693	43
50 to 179 acres	288	18
180 to 499 acres	114	7
500 to 999 acres	41	3
1,000 + acres	46	3

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	67,117	22	63	1,509	3,077
Crops	30,366	23	63	1,406	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	5,716	24	49	1,592	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	5,853	9	45	305	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	10,350	2	31	142	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	2,472	14	50	572	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	-	-	24	-	1,384
Other crops and hay	5,975	18	62	421	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	36,751	17	63	1,175	3,073
Poultry and eggs	(D)	5	59	(D)	3,007
Cattle and calves	21,272	19	62	753	3,055
Milk from cows	(D)	7	23	(D)	1,892
Hogs and pigs	315	13	54	688	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	3,262	3	60	46	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	592	12	59	362	2,970
Aquaculture	(D)	12	23	(D)	1,251
Other animals and animal products	460	13	58	311	2,878

Total Producers ^c	2,898	Percent of farms that:	Top Crops in Acres ^d
Sex		Have internet access	Forage (hay/haylage), all
Male	1,639	84	34,823
Female	1,259		Corn for grain
Age		Farm organically	4,087
<35	237	2	Corn for silage or greenchop
35 – 64	1,547		2,315
65 and older	1,114	Sell directly to consumers	1,496
Race		10	Dry edible beans
American Indian/Alaska Native	20		1,464
Asian	7	Hire farm labor	
Black or African American	-	20	Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	6		Broilers and other meat-type chickens
White	2,833	Are family farms	2,116
More than one race	32	96	Cattle and calves
Other characteristics			40,550
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	123		Goats
With military service	308		2,955
New and beginning farmers	976		Hogs and pigs
			910
			Horses and ponies
			3,311
			Layers
			7,159
			Pullets
			1,094
			Sheep and lambs
			15,613
			Turkeys
			123

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.