



Elbert County Colorado

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2022 and change since 2017

	2022	% change since 2017
Number of farms	1,714	+5
Land in farms (acres)	929,434	-9
Average size of farm (acres)	542	-13
Total	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	47,118,000	+33
Government payments	4,216,000	+28
Farm-related income	9,457,000	+42
Total farm production expenses	70,718,000	+21
Net cash farm income	-9,927,000	+24
Per farm average	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	27,490	+27
Government payments ^a	22,306	+32
Farm-related income ^a	20,647	+45
Total farm production expenses	41,259	+15
Net cash farm income	-5,792	+28

1 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	33
Livestock, poultry, and products	67

Land in Farms by Use (acres)

Cropland	163,715
Pastureland	740,876
Woodland	9,081
Other	15,762

Acres irrigated: 5,795

1% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	15
Reduced till	4
Intensive till	3
Cover crop	4

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^b
Less than \$2,500	978	57
\$2,500 to \$4,999	178	10
\$5,000 to \$9,999	172	10
\$10,000 to \$24,999	150	9
\$25,000 to \$49,999	91	5
\$50,000 to \$99,999	56	3
\$100,000 or more	89	5

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^b
1 to 9 acres	126	7
10 to 49 acres	617	36
50 to 179 acres	537	31
180 to 499 acres	170	10
500 to 999 acres	102	6
1,000+ acres	162	9

Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold

	Sales (\$1,000)	Rank in State ^c	Counties Producing Item	Rank in U.S. ^c	Counties Producing Item
Total	47,118	28	63	2,008	3,078
Crops	15,642	31	63	1,985	3,074
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	11,117	18	48	1,510	2,917
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	267
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	109	34	50	1,700	2,831
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	76	16	33	1,606	2,711
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	1,686	19	50	779	2,660
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	2	14	18	587	1,274
Other crops and hay	2,650	37	62	1,186	3,035
Livestock, poultry, and products	31,477	22	63	1,446	3,076
Poultry and eggs	(D)	8	59	(D)	3,027
Cattle and calves	27,221	16	61	654	3,047
Milk from cows	(D)	15	30	(D)	1,770
Hogs and pigs	142	16	53	817	2,814
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	216	29	59	868	2,967
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	2,164	3	58	113	2,907
Aquaculture	-	-	24	-	1,190
Other animals and animal products	386	15	58	484	2,909

Producers ^d	3,202	Percent of farms that:	Top Crops in Acres ^e
Sex		Have internet access	88
Male	1,781		
Female	1,421		
Age		Farm organically	(Z)
<35	232		
35 – 64	1,899		
65 and older	1,071		
Race		Sell directly to consumers	9
American Indian/Alaska Native	28		
Asian	11		
Black or African American	10		
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	14		
White	3,068	Hire farm labor	11
More than one race	71		
Other characteristics		Are family farms	96
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	138		
With military service	361		
New and beginning farmers	1,510		
		Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2022)	
		Broilers and other meat-type chickens	2,262
		Cattle and calves	35,783
		Goats	1,781
		Hogs and pigs	575
		Horses and ponies	3,546
		Layers	8,969
		Pullets	1,443
		Sheep and lambs	1,206
		Turkeys	699

^a Average per farm receiving. ^b May not add to 100% due to rounding. ^c Among counties whose rank can be displayed. ^d Data collected for a maximum of four producers per farm. ^e Crop commodity names may be shortened; see full names at www.nass.usda.gov/go/cropnames.pdf. ^f 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.