



El Paso County Colorado

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	1,345	+12
Land in farms (acres)	630,033	-3
Average size of farm (acres)	468	-13
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Total	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	31,898,000	-27
Government payments	1,300,000	+5
Farm-related income	5,548,000	+65
Total farm production expenses	44,015,000	-16
Net cash farm income	-5,269,000	-46
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Per farm average	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	23,716	-35
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	12,868	+29
Farm-related income	18,556	+73
Total farm production expenses	32,725	-24
Net cash farm income	-3,917	-31

(Z) Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	43
Livestock, poultry, and products	57

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	8
Pastureland	89
Woodland	1
Other	2

Acres irrigated: 8,922

1% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	3
Reduced till	2
Intensive till	4
Cover crop	2

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	795	59
\$2,500 to \$4,999	140	10
\$5,000 to \$9,999	133	10
\$10,000 to \$24,999	119	9
\$25,000 to \$49,999	61	5
\$50,000 to \$99,999	51	4
\$100,000 or more	46	3

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	188	14
10 to 49 acres	424	32
50 to 179 acres	368	27
180 to 499 acres	149	11
500 to 999 acres	74	6
1,000 + acres	142	11

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	31,898	32	63	2,098	3,077
Crops	13,803	30	63	1,871	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	118	40	49	2,429	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	345	22	45	1,080	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	40	15	31	1,592	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	10,656	7	50	238	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	14	7	24	510	1,384
Other crops and hay	2,630	31	62	957	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	18,095	31	63	1,730	3,073
Poultry and eggs	318	9	59	833	3,007
Cattle and calves	15,157	29	62	975	3,055
Milk from cows	(D)	20	23	(D)	1,892
Hogs and pigs	(D)	(D)	54	(D)	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	396	20	60	425	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	1,501	2	59	113	2,970
Aquaculture	-	-	23	-	1,251
Other animals and animal products	618	10	58	255	2,878

Total Producers ^c	2,421	Percent of farms that:	Top Crops in Acres ^d
Sex		Have internet access	Forage (hay/haylage), all
Male	1,260	81	Sod harvested
Female	1,161		Wheat for grain, all
Age		Farm organically	Sorghum for grain
<35	209	(Z)	Nursery stock crops
35 – 64	1,460		
65 and older	752		
Race		Sell directly to consumers	Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)
American Indian/Alaska Native	37	11	Broilers and other meat-type chickens
Asian	17		Cattle and calves
Black or African American	21	Hire farm labor	Goats
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-	17	Hogs and pigs
White	2,328		Horses and ponies
More than one race	18		Layers
Other characteristics		Are family farms	Pullets
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	89	96	Sheep and lambs
With military service	561		Turkeys
New and beginning farmers	894		

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.