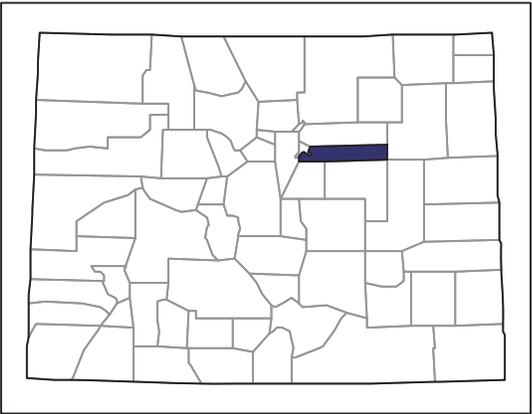


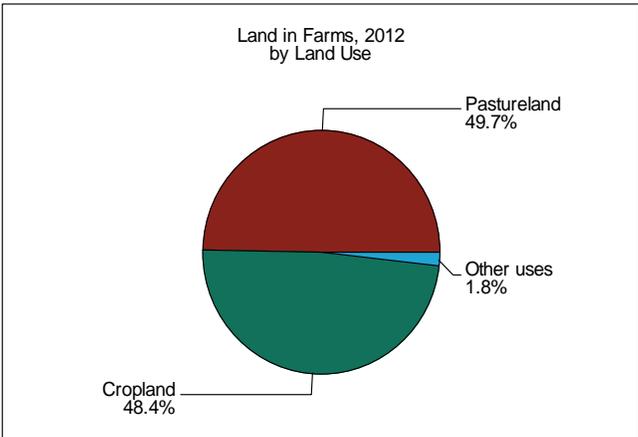
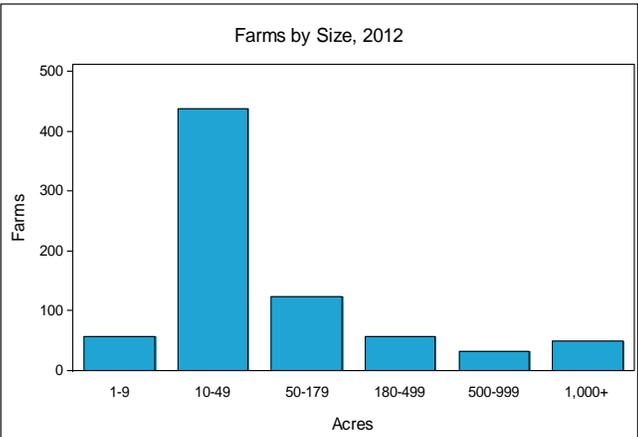
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

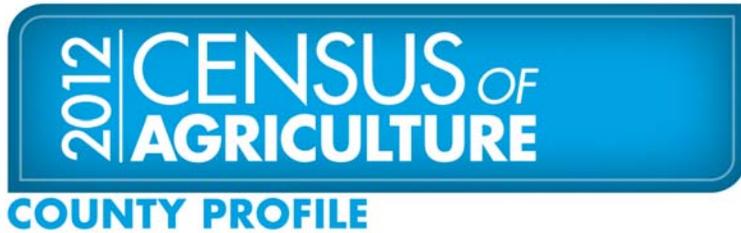
COUNTY PROFILE



Arapahoe County Colorado

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	755	627	+ 20
Land in Farms	283,226 acres	251,812 acres	+ 12
Average Size of Farm	375 acres	402 acres	- 7
Market Value of Products Sold	\$31,659,000	\$28,835,000	+ 10
Crop Sales (D)			
Livestock Sales (D)			
Average Per Farm	\$41,933	\$45,989	- 9
Government Payments	\$1,635,000	\$1,847,000	- 11
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$9,341	\$10,675	- 12





Arapahoe County – Colorado

Ranked items among the 63 state counties and 3,079 U.S. counties, 2012

Item	Quantity	State Rank	Universe ¹	U.S. Rank	Universe ¹
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)					
Total value of agricultural products sold	31,659	32	63	2,106	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	(D)	26	63	(D)	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	(D)	44	63	(D)	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	7,264	22	48	1,635	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	61	26	47	2,082	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	37	(D)	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	5	51	(D)	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	20	-	1,530
Other crops and hay	(D)	(D)	62	(D)	3,049
Poultry and eggs	419	7	58	1,117	3,013
Cattle and calves	(D)	(D)	62	(D)	3,056
Milk from cows	-	-	26	-	2,038
Hogs and pigs	39	22	53	1,529	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	120	32	58	1,208	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	985	10	62	258	3,011
Aquaculture	(D)	19	25	(D)	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	246	19	56	670	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Wheat for grain, all	49,190	15	46	262	2,537
Winter wheat for grain	49,190	15	45	188	2,480
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	4,335	50	62	2,297	3,057
Corn for grain	(D)	25	33	(D)	2,638
Sunflower seed, all	237	16	22	260	565
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	8,971	44	63	2,015	3,063
Layers	2,981	15	59	1,045	3,040
Horses and ponies	2,199	17	63	399	3,072
Broilers and other meat-type chickens	927	7	49	982	2,723
Pheasants	(D)	8	18	(D)	963

Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	359	Farming	297
\$1,000 to \$2,499	102	Other	458
\$2,500 to \$4,999	70	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	66	Male	582
\$10,000 to \$19,999	40	Female	173
\$20,000 to \$24,999	10	Average age of principal operator (years)	55.1
\$25,000 to \$39,999	35	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	7	American Indian or Alaska Native	4
\$50,000 to \$99,999	31	Asian	6
\$100,000 to \$249,999	13	Black or African American	9
\$250,000 to \$499,999	16	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	1
\$500,000 or more	6	White	1,209
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	39,021	More than one race	7
Average per farm (\$)	51,683	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	52
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	-2,119		
Average per farm (\$)	-2,807		

See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes, explanations, definitions, and methodology.

- Represents zero. (D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations.

¹ Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item. ² Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.