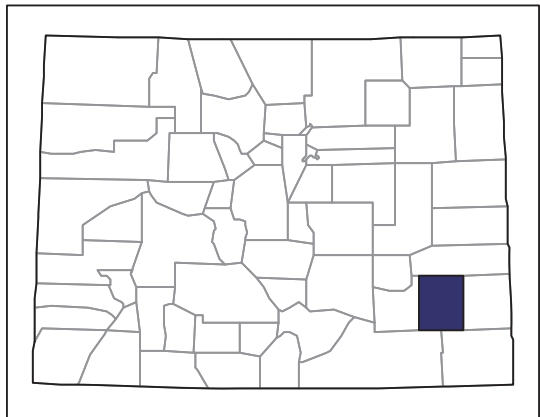


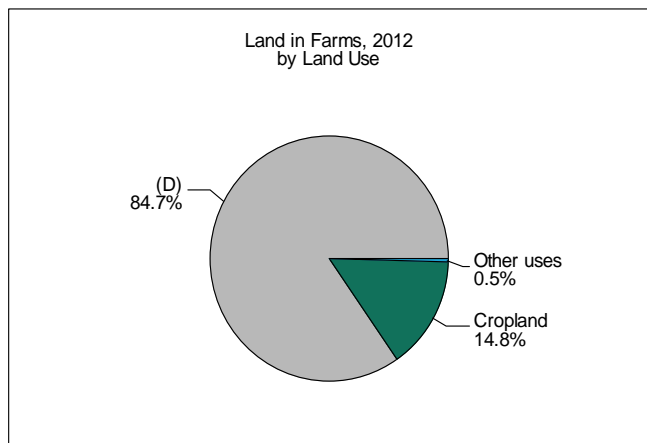
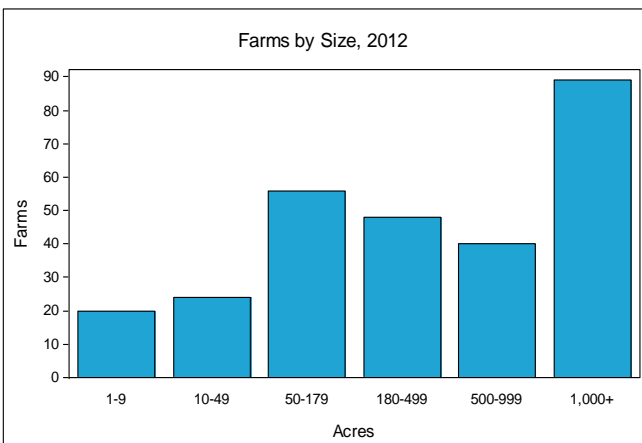
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



Bent County Colorado

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	277	311	- 11
Land in Farms	725,764 acres	877,142 acres	- 17
Average Size of Farm	2,620 acres	2,820 acres	- 7
Market Value of Products Sold	\$70,794,000	\$82,220,000	- 14
Crop Sales \$12,706,000 (18 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$58,087,000 (82 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$255,573	\$264,373	- 3
Government Payments	\$2,945,000	\$1,816,000	+ 62
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$18,067	\$10,375	+ 74





Bent 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	70,794	23	63	1,481	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	12,706	30	63	1,969	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	58,087	14	63	815	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	(D)	27	48	(D)	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	44	47	(D)	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	-	-	37	-	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	-	-	51	-	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	20	-	1,530
Other crops and hay	(D)	15	62	(D)	3,049
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	58	(D)	3,013
Cattle and calves	(D)	12	62	(D)	3,056
Milk from cows	-	-	26	-	2,038
Hogs and pigs	(D)	4	53	(D)	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	89	38	58	1,442	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	793	12	62	326	3,011
Aquaculture	(D)	9	25	(D)	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	15	56	(D)	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	27,346	19	62	694	3,057
Wheat for grain, all	9,285	19	46	707	2,537
Winter wheat for grain	8,852	19	45	634	2,480
Corn for silage	1,789	15	36	844	2,237
Corn for grain	1,530	23	33	1,793	2,638
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Hogs and pigs	(D)	4	56	(D)	2,889
Cattle and calves	34,710	19	63	826	3,063
Colonies of bees	6,724	1	48	117	2,761
Pheasants	(D)	6	18	(D)	963
Quail	(D)	3	12	(D)	944

Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	90	Farming	148
\$1,000 to \$2,499	7	Other	129
\$2,500 to \$4,999	6	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	20	Male	226
\$10,000 to \$19,999	24	Female	51
\$20,000 to \$24,999	9	Average age of principal operator (years)	58.1
\$25,000 to \$39,999	16	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	6	American Indian or Alaska Native	3
\$50,000 to \$99,999	22	Asian	3
\$100,000 to \$249,999	40	Black or African American	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	20	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	17	White	399
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	65,757	More than one race	11
Average per farm (\$)	237,389	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	12
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	15,003		
Average per farm (\$)	54,162		

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.