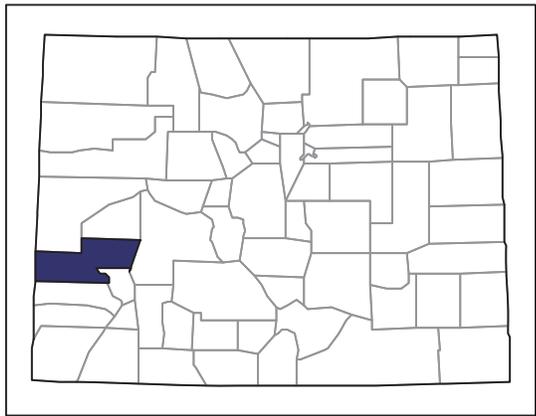


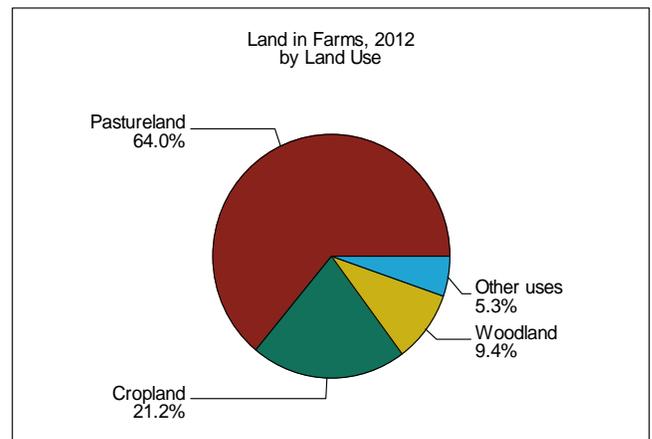
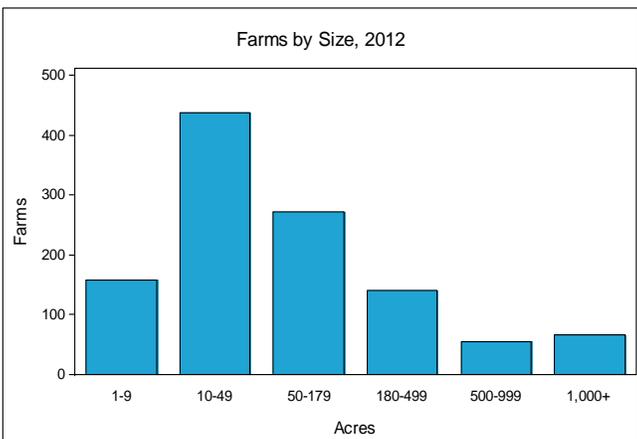
# 2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

## COUNTY PROFILE



### Montrose County Colorado

	2012	2007	% change
<b>Number of Farms</b>	1,128	1,045	+ 8
<b>Land in Farms</b>	329,653 acres	321,056 acres	+ 3
<b>Average Size of Farm</b>	292 acres	307 acres	- 5
<b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>	\$103,221,000	\$67,160,000	+ 54
Crop Sales \$33,700,000 (33 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$69,521,000 (67 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$91,508	\$64,268	+ 42
<b>Government Payments</b>	\$930,000	\$1,059,000	- 12
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$4,651	\$5,603	- 17





## Montrose County – Colorado

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

Item	Quantity	State Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>	U.S. Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)</b>					
Total value of agricultural products sold	103,221	16	63	1,136	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	33,700	20	63	1,401	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	69,521	12	63	699	3,076
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	19,635	16	48	1,245	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	4,917	11	47	381	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	502	5	37	704	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	2,263	14	51	719	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	193	1	20	168	1,530
Other crops and hay	6,190	18	62	494	3,049
Poultry and eggs	(D)	2	58	(D)	3,013
Cattle and calves	36,565	13	62	419	3,056
Milk from cows	(D)	5	26	(D)	2,038
Hogs and pigs	312	12	53	1,006	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	1,955	7	58	87	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	479	20	62	588	3,011
Aquaculture	(D)	17	25	(D)	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	235	21	56	686	2,924
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	32,283	16	62	541	3,057
Corn for grain	11,067	15	33	1,153	2,638
Dry edible beans, excluding limas	4,651	4	24	72	510
Corn for silage	4,363	7	36	424	2,237
Vegetables harvested, all	3,170	7	47	233	2,801
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Layers	(D)	3	59	(D)	3,040
Pullets for laying flock replacement	(D)	3	51	(D)	2,637
Cattle and calves	56,083	10	63	421	3,063
Roosters	(D)	1	28	(D)	2,120
Sheep and lambs	15,433	5	59	65	2,897

### Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	306	Farming	546
\$1,000 to \$2,499	124	Other	582
\$2,500 to \$4,999	147	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	106	Male	935
\$10,000 to \$19,999	123	Female	193
\$20,000 to \$24,999	30	Average age of principal operator (years)	60.5
\$25,000 to \$39,999	58	All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	29	American Indian or Alaska Native	12
\$50,000 to \$99,999	59	Asian	3
\$100,000 to \$249,999	75	Black or African American	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	33	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	38	White	1,754
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	94,193	More than one race	9
Average per farm (\$)	83,504	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup>	82
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	12,769		
Average per farm (\$)	11,320		

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.

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