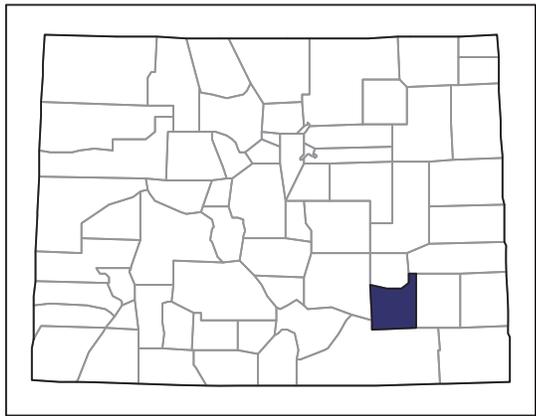


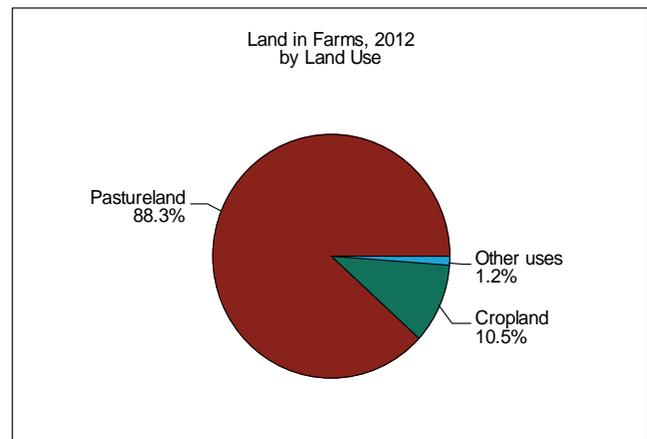
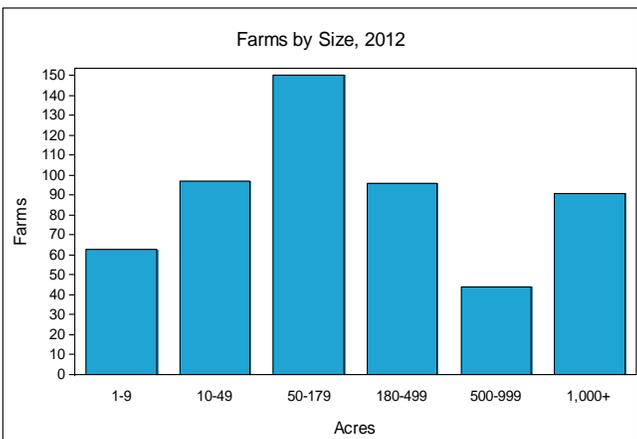
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



Otero County Colorado

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	541	569	- 5
Land in Farms	706,750 acres	624,123 acres	+ 13
Average Size of Farm	1,306 acres	1,097 acres	+ 19
Market Value of Products Sold	\$144,235,000	\$111,187,000	+ 30
Crop Sales \$30,027,000 (21 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$114,208,000 (79 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$266,607	\$195,408	+ 36
Government Payments	\$2,473,000	\$1,654,000	+ 50
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$8,384	\$6,315	+ 33





Otero 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	144,235	10	63	821	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	30,027	21	63	1,480	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	114,208	9	63	380	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	7,852	20	48	1,605	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	8	47	295	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	34	37	(D)	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	(D)	51	(D)	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	20	-	1,530
Other crops and hay	15,573	10	62	209	3,049
Poultry and eggs	7	38	58	2,491	3,013
Cattle and calves	112,867	8	62	105	3,056
Milk from cows	-	-	26	-	2,038
Hogs and pigs	7	42	53	2,253	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	(D)	(D)	58	(D)	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	842	11	62	305	3,011
Aquaculture	(D)	24	25	1,290	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	(D)	56	(D)	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	32,757	15	62	527	3,057
Corn for grain	6,106	17	33	1,366	2,638
Wheat for grain, all	2,448	27	46	1,273	2,537
Corn for silage	2,409	13	36	689	2,237
Winter wheat for grain	(D)	26	45	1,214	2,480
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	72,006	9	63	249	3,063
Colonies of bees	(D)	6	48	(D)	2,761
Sheep and lambs	1,748	18	59	542	2,897
Horses and ponies	1,445	25	63	763	3,072
Goats, all	1,134	9	59	472	2,996

Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	139	Farming	263
\$1,000 to \$2,499	33	Other	278
\$2,500 to \$4,999	22		
\$5,000 to \$9,999	57	Principal operators by sex:	
\$10,000 to \$19,999	53	Male	474
\$20,000 to \$24,999	19	Female	67
\$25,000 to \$39,999	27		
\$40,000 to \$49,999	16	Average age of principal operator (years)	55.8
\$50,000 to \$99,999	52		
\$100,000 to \$249,999	45	All operators by race ² :	
\$250,000 to \$499,999	56	American Indian or Alaska Native	9
\$500,000 or more	22	Asian	13
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	123,119	Black or African American	4
Average per farm (\$)	227,577	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
		White	777
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	28,942	More than one race	5
Average per farm (\$)	53,497	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	62

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.