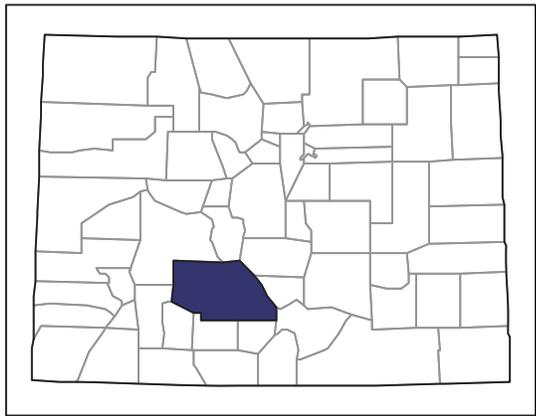


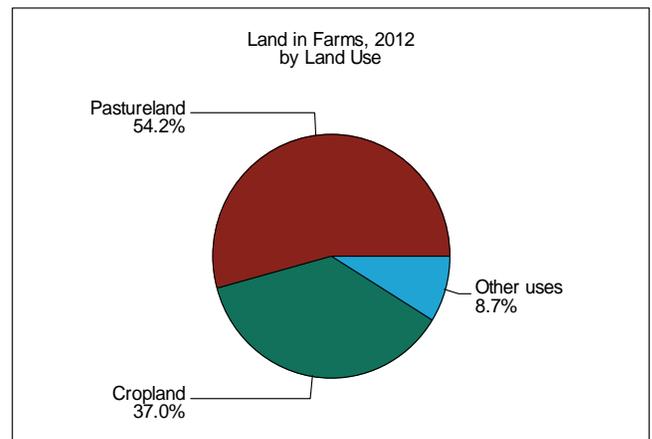
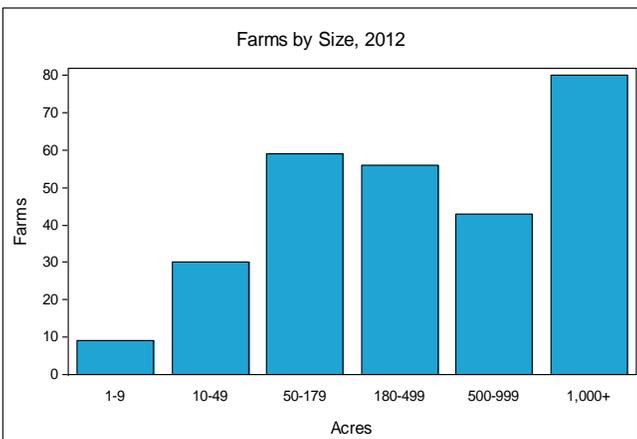
# 2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

## COUNTY PROFILE



### Saguache County Colorado

	2012	2007	% change
<b>Number of Farms</b>	277	242	+ 14
<b>Land in Farms</b>	311,373 acres	287,272 acres	+ 8
<b>Average Size of Farm</b>	1,124 acres	1,187 acres	- 5
<b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>	\$109,988,000	\$91,456,000	+ 20
Crop Sales \$92,601,000 (84 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$17,386,000 (16 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$397,068	\$377,918	+ 5
<b>Government Payments</b>	\$1,298,000	\$541,000	+ 140
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$15,091	\$6,676	+ 126





## Saguache 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	109,988	14	63	1,077	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	92,601	10	63	700	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	17,386	29	63	1,726	3,076
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	14,770	18	48	1,353	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	58,889	1	47	57	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	30	37	(D)	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	44	51	(D)	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	20	-	1,530
Other crops and hay	18,920	8	62	170	3,049
Poultry and eggs	(D)	(D)	58	(D)	3,013
Cattle and calves	17,003	27	62	922	3,056
Milk from cows	-	-	26	-	2,038
Hogs and pigs	(D)	14	53	(D)	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	152	29	58	1,016	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	43	55	62	2,358	3,011
Aquaculture	-	-	25	-	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	29	39	56	1,715	2,924
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	47,096	6	62	253	3,057
Vegetables harvested, all	16,974	2	47	53	2,801
Potatoes	15,268	3	37	21	2,354
Barley for grain	12,892	2	21	69	1,158
Wheat for grain, all	2,391	28	46	1,283	2,537
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	21,597	29	63	1,275	3,063
Layers	1,056	24	59	1,820	3,040
Sheep and lambs	923	24	59	956	2,897
Horses and ponies	813	38	63	1,465	3,072
Quail	(D)	4	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	76	Farming	165
\$1,000 to \$2,499	20	Other	112
\$2,500 to \$4,999	14	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	16	Male	228
\$10,000 to \$19,999	14	Female	49
\$20,000 to \$24,999	6	Average age of principal operator (years)	58.6
\$25,000 to \$39,999	13	All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	5	American Indian or Alaska Native	7
\$50,000 to \$99,999	22	Asian	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	24	Black or African American	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	21	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	46	White	432
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	89,212	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	322,064	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup>	38
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	27,852		
Average per farm (\$)	100,549		

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.