



Colorado 5th District

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017

	2017
Number of farms	3,044
Land in farms (acres)	1,225,026
Average size of farm (acres)	402
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Total	(\$)
Market value of products sold	71,820,000
Government payments	1,626,000
Farm-related income	13,785,000
Total farm production expenses	93,525,000
Net cash farm income	-6,294,000
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Per farm average	(\$)
Market value of products sold	23,594
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	11,700
Farm-related income	18,504
Total farm production expenses	30,724
Net cash farm income	-2,068

1 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	32
Livestock, poultry, and products	68

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	8
Pastureland	85
Woodland	(D)
Other	(D)

Acres irrigated: 48,584

4% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	4
Reduced till	1
Intensive till	3
Cover crop	3

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	1,834	60
\$2,500 to \$4,999	347	11
\$5,000 to \$9,999	262	9
\$10,000 to \$24,999	224	7
\$25,000 to \$49,999	147	5
\$50,000 to \$99,999	114	4
\$100,000 or more	116	4

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	657	22
10 to 49 acres	995	33
50 to 179 acres	650	21
180 to 499 acres	323	11
500 to 999 acres	140	5
1,000 + acres	279	9

Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold

	Sales (\$1,000)	Rank in State ^b	CDs Producing Item	Rank in U.S. ^b	CDs Producing Item
Total	71,820	4	7	282	431
Crops	23,337	6	7	318	431
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	(D)	6	7	312	381
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	68
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	108
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	814	5	7	315	418
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	(D)	2	7	(D)	416
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	14,800	6	7	227	425
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	15	5	6	203	326
Other crops and hay	7,174	4	7	218	395
Livestock, poultry, and products	48,482	4	7	242	422
Poultry and eggs	392	3	7	210	404
Cattle and calves	32,135	4	7	178	396
Milk from cows	7,831	4	5	176	312
Hogs and pigs	(D)	4	6	(D)	367
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	1,643	3	7	105	393
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	2,291	4	7	126	393
Aquaculture	(D)	2	4	(D)	328
Other animals and animal products	1,337	4	7	145	413

Total Producers ^c

5,406

Sex

Male 2,925
Female 2,481

Age

<35 359
35 – 64 3,162
65 and older 1,885

Race

American Indian/Alaska Native 68
Asian 27
Black or African American 26
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander -
White 5,236
More than one race 49

Other characteristics

Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin 254
With military service 1,076
New and beginning farmers 1,956

Percent of farms that:

Have internet access **81**

Farm organically **(Z)**

Sell directly to consumers **9**

Hire farm labor **16**

Are family farms **96**

Top Crops in Acres ^d

Forage (hay/haylage), all 44,207
Sod harvested 1,026
Corn for silage (D)
Wheat for grain, all 504
Sorghum for grain 268

Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)

Broilers and other meat-type chickens (D)
Cattle and calves 60,283
Goats 5,841
Hogs and pigs (D)
Horses and ponies 10,164
Layers (D)
Pullets 1,710
Sheep and lambs 1,200
Turkeys (D)

See 2017 Census of Agriculture, U.S. Summary and State Data, for complete footnotes, explanations, definitions, commodity descriptions, and methodology.

^a May not add to 100% due to rounding. ^b Among CDs whose rank can be displayed. ^c Data collected for a maximum of four producers per farm.

^d Crop commodity names may be shortened; see full names at www.nass.usda.gov/go/cropnames.pdf. ^e Position below the line does not indicate rank.

(D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations. (NA) Not available. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown. (-) Represents zero.