



Rio Blanco County Colorado

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

	2017	% change since 2012
Number of farms	320	+2
Land in farms (acres)	410,923	-19
Average size of farm (acres)	1,284	-21
Total (\$)		
Market value of products sold	18,751,000	-23
Government payments	390,000	-50
Farm-related income	2,743,000	+17
Total farm production expenses	19,558,000	-19
Net cash farm income	2,326,000	-30
Per farm average (\$)		
Market value of products sold	58,597	-25
Government payments (average per farm receiving)	9,068	-46
Farm-related income	24,494	+16
Total farm production expenses	61,119	-21
Net cash farm income	7,269	-31

(Z) Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	15
Livestock, poultry, and products	85

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

Cropland	11
Pastureland	82
Woodland	4
Other	4

Acres irrigated: 27,124

7% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	2
Reduced till	1
Intensive till	5
Cover crop	2

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
Less than \$2,500	140	44
\$2,500 to \$4,999	23	7
\$5,000 to \$9,999	20	6
\$10,000 to \$24,999	34	11
\$25,000 to \$49,999	32	10
\$50,000 to \$99,999	13	4
\$100,000 or more	58	18

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^a
1 to 9 acres	31	10
10 to 49 acres	82	26
50 to 179 acres	74	23
180 to 499 acres	41	13
500 to 999 acres	21	7
1,000 + acres	71	22

Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold

	Sales (\$1,000)	Rank in State ^b	Counties Producing Item	Rank in U.S. ^b	Counties Producing Item
Total	18,751	42	63	2,407	3,077
Crops	2,770	46	63	2,588	3,073
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	(D)	46	49	(D)	2,916
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	323
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	-	-	45	-	2,821
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	-	-	31	-	2,748
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	(D)	(D)	50	(D)	2,601
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	-	-	24	-	1,384
Other crops and hay	2,717	30	62	927	3,040
Livestock, poultry, and products	15,981	34	63	1,816	3,073
Poultry and eggs	6	35	59	1,891	3,007
Cattle and calves	14,436	30	62	1,008	3,055
Milk from cows	-	-	23	-	1,892
Hogs and pigs	8	35	54	1,605	2,856
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	1,281	13	60	136	2,984
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	241	27	59	841	2,970
Aquaculture	-	-	23	-	1,251
Other animals and animal products	9	45	58	1,522	2,878

Total Producers ^c

Sex	
Male	326
Female	265
Age	
<35	33
35 – 64	357
65 and older	201
Race	
American Indian/Alaska Native	4
Asian	-
Black or African American	-
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	-
White	579
More than one race	8
Other characteristics	
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	8
With military service	80
New and beginning farmers	150

Percent of farms that:

Have internet access	83
Farm organically	1
Sell directly to consumers	1
Hire farm labor	23
Are family farms	99

Top Crops in Acres ^d

Forage (hay/haylage), all	28,624
Wheat for grain, all	(D)
Field/grass seed crops, all	(D)
Short-rotation woody crops	(D)
Nursery stock crops	(D)

Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)

Broilers and other meat-type chickens	(D)
Cattle and calves	25,253
Goats	451
Hogs and pigs	(D)
Horses and ponies	1,340
Layers	534
Pullets	(D)
Sheep and lambs	7,859
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 counties 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.