



Saguache County Colorado

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2017 and change since 2012

| | 2017 | % change since 2012 |
|---|-------------|---------------------|
| Number of farms | 288 | +4 |
| Land in farms (acres) | 313,811 | +1 |
| Average size of farm (acres) | 1,090 | -3 |
| Total | (\$) | |
| Market value of products sold | 105,403,000 | -4 |
| Government payments | 843,000 | -35 |
| Farm-related income | 4,178,000 | -28 |
| Total farm production expenses | 77,727,000 | -13 |
| Net cash farm income | 32,697,000 | +17 |
| Per farm average | (\$) | |
| Market value of products sold | 365,983 | -8 |
| Government payments (average per farm receiving) | 15,615 | +3 |
| Farm-related income | 32,894 | -28 |
| Total farm production expenses | 269,884 | -16 |
| Net cash farm income | 113,532 | +13 |

1 Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

| | |
|----------------------------------|----|
| Crops | 86 |
| Livestock, poultry, and products | 14 |

Land in Farms by Use (%) ^a

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|-------------|----|
| Cropland | 42 |
| Pastureland | 51 |
| Woodland | 3 |
| Other | 4 |

Acres irrigated: 118,411

38% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

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|----------------|----|
| No till | 7 |
| Reduced till | 12 |
| Intensive till | 14 |
| Cover crop | 7 |

Farms by Value of Sales

| | Number | Percent of Total ^a |
|----------------------|--------|-------------------------------|
| Less than \$2,500 | 94 | 33 |
| \$2,500 to \$4,999 | 16 | 6 |
| \$5,000 to \$9,999 | 17 | 6 |
| \$10,000 to \$24,999 | 23 | 8 |
| \$25,000 to \$49,999 | 17 | 6 |
| \$50,000 to \$99,999 | 22 | 8 |
| \$100,000 or more | 99 | 34 |

Farms by Size

| | Number | Percent of Total ^a |
|------------------|--------|-------------------------------|
| 1 to 9 acres | 25 | 9 |
| 10 to 49 acres | 43 | 15 |
| 50 to 179 acres | 64 | 22 |
| 180 to 499 acres | 36 | 13 |
| 500 to 999 acres | 47 | 16 |
| 1,000 + acres | 73 | 25 |

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 | 105,403 | 13 | 63 | 1,095 | 3,077 |
| Crops | 90,393 | 7 | 63 | 631 | 3,073 |
| Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas | (D) | 17 | 49 | 1,351 | 2,916 |
| Tobacco | - | - | - | - | 323 |
| Cotton and cottonseed | - | - | - | - | 647 |
| Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes | 58,484 | 1 | 45 | 52 | 2,821 |
| Fruits, tree nuts, berries | (D) | 24 | 31 | (D) | 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 | 20,288 | 6 | 62 | 122 | 3,040 |
| Livestock, poultry, and products | 15,010 | 36 | 63 | 1,857 | 3,073 |
| Poultry and eggs | (D) | 8 | 59 | (D) | 3,007 |
| Cattle and calves | 13,873 | 31 | 62 | 1,034 | 3,055 |
| Milk from cows | - | - | 23 | - | 1,892 |
| Hogs and pigs | (D) | 33 | 54 | (D) | 2,856 |
| Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk | 504 | 18 | 60 | 336 | 2,984 |
| Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys | 32 | 49 | 59 | 2,000 | 2,970 |
| Aquaculture | - | - | 23 | - | 1,251 |
| Other animals and animal products | (D) | (D) | 58 | (D) | 2,878 |

Total Producers ^c

| | |
|----------------------------------|------------|
| Sex | 538 |
| Male | 349 |
| Female | 189 |
| Age | |
| <35 | 38 |
| 35 – 64 | 320 |
| 65 and older | 180 |
| Race | |
| American Indian/Alaska Native | 8 |
| Asian | - |
| Black or African American | - |
| Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander | - |
| White | 519 |
| More than one race | 11 |
| Other characteristics | |
| Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin | 52 |
| With military service | 91 |
| New and beginning farmers | 123 |

Percent of farms that:

| | |
|----------------------------|-----------|
| Have internet access | 76 |
| Farm organically | 5 |
| Sell directly to consumers | 8 |
| Hire farm labor | 36 |
| Are family farms | 88 |

Top Crops in Acres ^d

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|---------------------------|--------|
| Forage (hay/haylage), all | 60,609 |
| Vegetables harvested, all | 19,186 |
| Potatoes | 16,832 |
| Barley for grain | 14,116 |
| Wheat for grain, all | 2,239 |

Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2017)

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|---------------------------------------|--------|
| Broilers and other meat-type chickens | (D) |
| Cattle and calves | 21,264 |
| Goats | 586 |
| Hogs and pigs | 56 |
| Horses and ponies | 542 |
| Layers | (D) |
| Pullets | - |
| Sheep and lambs | 3,597 |
| Turkeys | - |

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.