

2002 Census of Agriculture Congressional District Profile

Correction issued January 2005. See Economic Characteristics table.

District 3, Colorado

Number of farms: 12,015

Land in farms: 11,532,734 acres

Average size of farm: 960 acres

Irrigated Land: 1,004,734 acres

Total Number of Farm Operators: 19,156

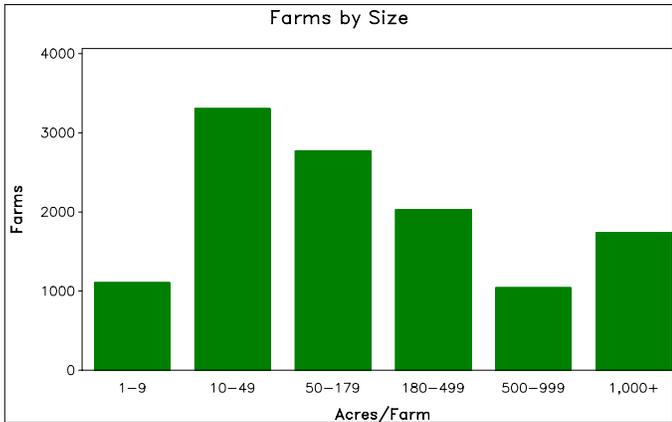
Market Value of Production: \$781,245,000

Market Value of Production, average per farm: \$65,022

Government Payments: \$18,330,000

Government Payments, average per farm receiving payments: \$6,894

Gross Income from Farm Related Sources: \$28,686,000



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United States Department of Agriculture, Colorado Agricultural Statistics Service**

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Ranked items among the 7 congressional districts in the state, and among the 435 congressional districts in the U.S., 2002

| 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 | 781,245 | 2 | 7 | 74 | 418 |
| VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)² | | | | | |
| Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas | 41,307 | 2 | 7 | 99 | 371 |
| Tobacco | - | - | - | - | 106 |
| Cotton and cottonseed | - | - | - | - | 111 |
| Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes | 203,119 | 1 | 6 | 13 | 398 |
| Fruits, tree nuts, and berries | 15,321 | 1 | 6 | 67 | 403 |
| Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod | 39,886 | 3 | 7 | 104 | 415 |
| Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops | 103 | 2 | 6 | 232 | 349 |
| Poultry and eggs | 24,059 | 2 | 6 | 122 | 382 |
| Cattle and calves | 321,374 | 2 | 7 | 27 | 389 |
| Milk and other dairy products from cows | 15,585 | 2 | 6 | 168 | 339 |
| Hogs and pigs | (D) | (D) | 6 | (D) | 372 |
| Sheep, goats, and their products | 14,645 | 2 | 7 | 8 | 380 |
| Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys | 7,005 | 1 | 7 | 26 | 398 |
| Aquaculture | 14,513 | 1 | 5 | 17 | 321 |
| TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number) | | | | | |
| Layers 20 weeks old and older | (D) | 2 | 6 | (D) | 387 |
| Cattle and calves | 568,023 | 2 | 7 | 46 | 394 |
| Sheep and lambs | 216,098 | 1 | 6 | 6 | 383 |
| Horses and ponies | 48,484 | 1 | 7 | 5 | 408 |
| Colonies of bees | 15,671 | 1 | 7 | 33 | 387 |
| TOP CROP ITEMS (acres) | | | | | |
| Forage - land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop | 594,195 | 1 | 7 | 23 | 391 |
| Potatoes | 72,320 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 318 |
| Barley | 58,493 | 1 | 5 | 9 | 239 |
| All Wheat for grain | 55,171 | 4 | 7 | 64 | 323 |
| Corn for grain | 18,645 | 2 | 5 | 161 | 327 |

Other Congressional District Highlights

| Economic Characteristics | Quantity | Operator Characteristics | Quantity |
|-------------------------------------------------------|----------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|----------|
| Farms by value of sales | | Principal operators by primary occupation: | |
| Less than \$1,000 | 3,524 | Farming | 6,867 |
| \$1,000 to \$2,499 | 1,452 | Other | 5,148 |
| \$2,500 to \$4,999 | 1,310 | Principal operators by sex: | |
| \$5,000 to \$9,999 | 1,264 | Male | 10,207 |
| \$10,000 to \$19,999 | 1,216 | Female | 1,808 |
| \$20,000 to \$24,999 | 355 | Average age of principal operator (years) | 55.0 |
| \$25,000 to \$39,999 ³ | 695 | All operators ⁴ by race: | |
| \$40,000 to \$49,999 ³ | 291 | White | 18,401 |
| \$50,000 to \$99,999 | 738 | Black or African American | 16 |
| \$100,000 to \$249,999 | 641 | American Indian or Alaska Native | 219 |
| \$250,000 to \$499,999 | 276 | Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander | 4 |
| \$500,000 or more | 253 | Asian | 31 |
| Total farm production expenses (\$1,000) ³ | 697,564 | More than one race | 116 |
| Average per farm (\$) ³ | 58,393 | All operators ⁴ of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin | 1,760 |
| Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000) | 137,988 | | |
| Average per farm (\$) | 11,551 | | |

(D) Cannot be disclosed. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown. See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes.

¹ Universe is number of congressional districts in state or U.S. with item.

² Categories are not comprehensive and will not sum to total.

³ Value corrected January 2005.

⁴ Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.