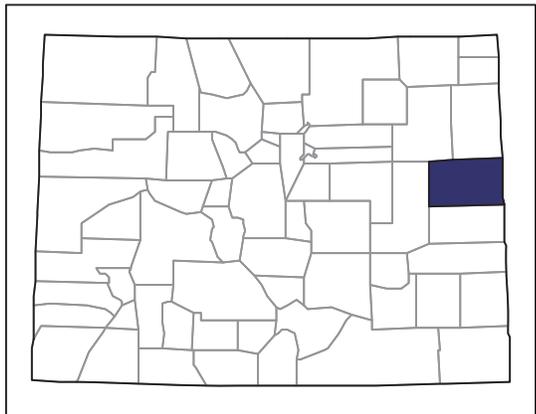


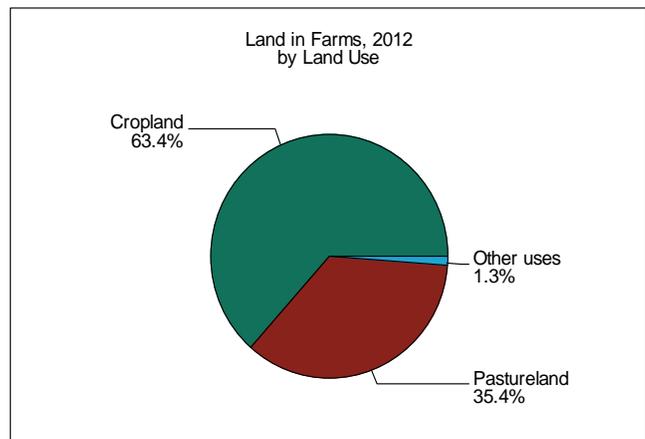
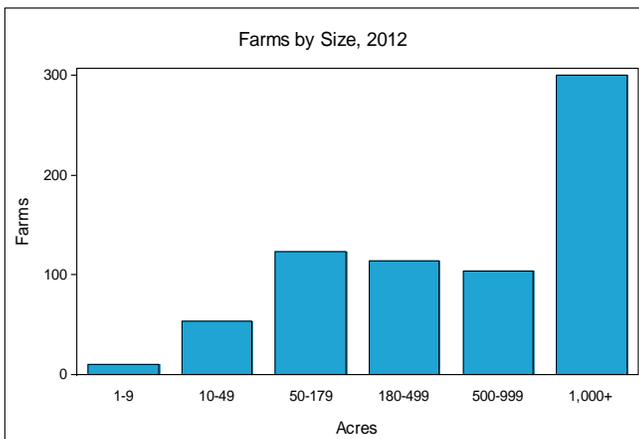
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



Kit Carson County Colorado

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	704	786	- 10
Land in Farms	1,376,777 acres	1,352,319 acres	+ 2
Average Size of Farm	1,956 acres	1,721 acres	+ 14
Market Value of Products Sold	\$499,775,000	\$336,986,000	+ 48
Crop Sales \$140,583,000 (28 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$359,192,000 (72 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$709,908	\$428,735	+ 66
Government Payments	\$12,129,000	\$13,422,000	- 10
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$22,799	\$21,510	+ 6





Kit Carson County – Colorado

Ranked items among the 63 state counties and 3,079 U.S. counties, 2012

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	499,775	5	63	109	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	140,583	3	63	429	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	359,192	5	63	74	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	135,587	3	48	312	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	46	47	(D)	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	(D)	37	(D)	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	24	43	51	2,383	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	20	-	1,530
Other crops and hay	4,949	22	62	591	3,049
Poultry and eggs	8	35	58	2,473	3,013
Cattle and calves	352,357	5	62	33	3,056
Milk from cows	(D)	11	26	(D)	2,038
Hogs and pigs	(D)	9	53	(D)	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	45	46	58	1,994	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	125	35	62	1,659	3,011
Aquaculture	-	-	25	-	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	14	56	(D)	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Wheat for grain, all	224,707	1	46	29	2,537
Winter wheat for grain	224,707	1	45	13	2,480
Corn for grain	128,387	2	33	190	2,638
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	20,149	28	62	961	3,057
Corn for silage	12,643	3	36	130	2,237
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Cattle and calves	161,184	5	63	54	3,063
Hogs and pigs	(D)	5	56	(D)	2,889
Horses and ponies	696	42	63	1,668	3,072
Layers	647	33	59	2,192	3,040
Sheep and lambs	373	35	59	1,672	2,897

Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	223	Farming	391
\$1,000 to \$2,499	20	Other	313
\$2,500 to \$4,999	18	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	29	Male	620
\$10,000 to \$19,999	34	Female	84
\$20,000 to \$24,999	14	Average age of principal operator (years)	56.0
\$25,000 to \$39,999	40	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	17	American Indian or Alaska Native	3
\$50,000 to \$99,999	45	Asian	5
\$100,000 to \$249,999	71	Black or African American	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	71	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	122	White	1,123
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	470,736	More than one race	-
Average per farm (\$)	668,659	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	15
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	66,464		
Average per farm (\$)	94,409		

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.

¹ Universe is number of counties in state or U.S. with item. ² Data were collected for a maximum of three operators per farm.