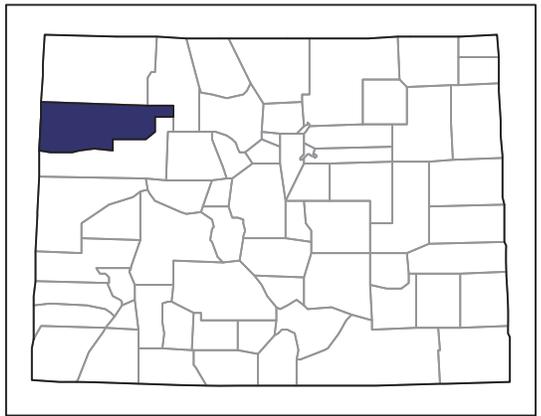


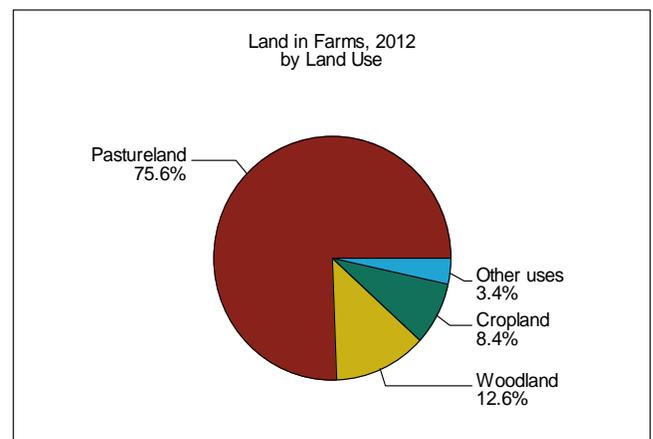
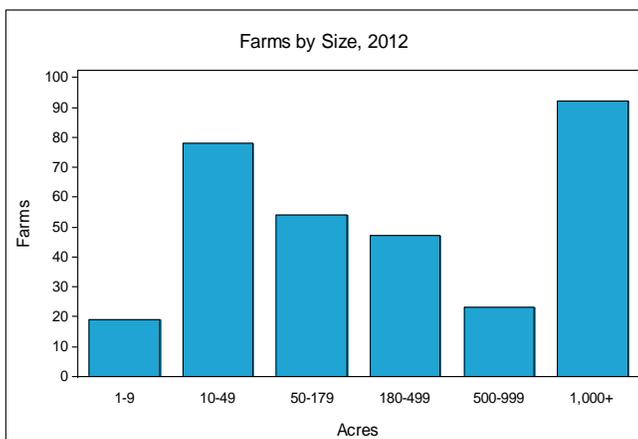
# 2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

## COUNTY PROFILE



### Rio Blanco County Colorado

	2012	2007	% change
<b>Number of Farms</b>	313	285	+ 10
<b>Land in Farms</b>	507,343 acres	386,577 acres	+ 31
<b>Average Size of Farm</b>	1,621 acres	1,356 acres	+ 20
<b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>	\$24,412,000	\$15,563,000	+ 57
Crop Sales \$3,961,000 (16 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$20,452,000 (84 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$77,995	\$54,607	+ 43
<b>Government Payments</b>	\$786,000	\$573,000	+ 37
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$16,714	\$8,064	+ 107





## Rio Blanco County – Colorado

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

Item	Quantity	State Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>	U.S. Rank	Universe <sup>1</sup>
<b>MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)</b>					
Total value of agricultural products sold	24,412	37	63	2,258	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	3,961	40	63	2,501	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	20,452	27	63	1,598	3,076
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	(D)	44	48	(D)	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	45	47	(D)	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	29	37	(D)	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	114	30	51	1,978	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	12	20	(D)	1,530
Other crops and hay	3,793	27	62	783	3,049
Poultry and eggs	4	50	58	2,660	3,013
Cattle and calves	17,073	26	62	918	3,056
Milk from cows	-	-	26	-	2,038
Hogs and pigs	7	40	53	2,226	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	3,131	3	58	42	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	232	28	62	1,118	3,011
Aquaculture	-	-	25	-	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	4	50	56	2,511	2,924
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	23,072	22	62	835	3,057
Wheat for grain, all	(D)	39	46	(D)	2,537
Winter wheat for grain	(D)	37	45	(D)	2,480
Spring wheat for grain	(D)	17	22	(D)	633
Field and grass seed crops, all	(D)	7	9	(D)	583
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	24,575	25	63	1,153	3,063
Sheep and lambs	20,762	4	59	46	2,897
Horses and ponies	1,534	22	63	699	3,072
Layers	594	37	59	2,254	3,040
Goats, all	341	35	59	1,677	2,996

### Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	89	Farming	168
\$1,000 to \$2,499	41	Other	145
\$2,500 to \$4,999	29	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	31	Male	261
\$10,000 to \$19,999	18	Female	52
\$20,000 to \$24,999	5	Average age of principal operator (years)	57.4
\$25,000 to \$39,999	12	All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	4	American Indian or Alaska Native	1
\$50,000 to \$99,999	25	Asian	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	27	Black or African American	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	17	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	15	White	523
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	24,237	More than one race	1
Average per farm (\$)	77,433	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup>	11
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	3,305		
Average per farm (\$)	10,560		

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.

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