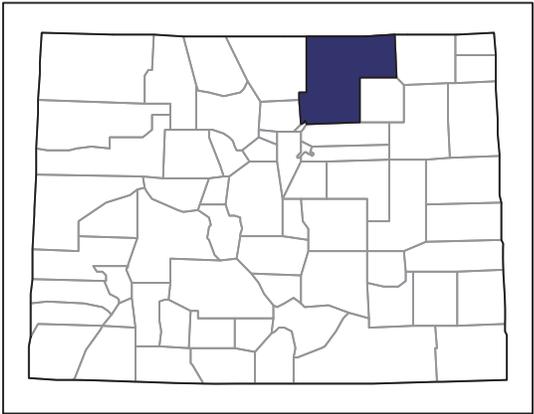


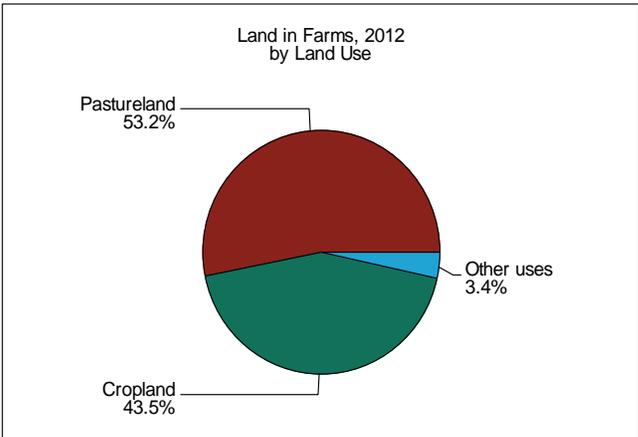
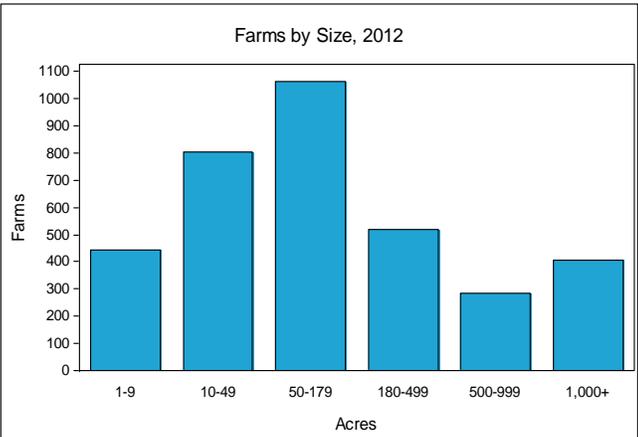
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

COUNTY PROFILE



Weld County Colorado

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	3,525	3,921	- 10
Land in Farms	1,956,491 acres	2,088,715 acres	- 6
Average Size of Farm	555 acres	533 acres	+ 4
Market Value of Products Sold	\$1,860,718,000	\$1,539,072,000	+ 21
Crop Sales \$374,054,000 (20 percent) Livestock Sales \$1,486,665,000 (80 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$527,863	\$392,520	+ 34
Government Payments	\$15,649,000	\$15,403,000	+ 2
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$11,170	\$9,963	+ 12





Weld 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	1,860,718	1	63	9	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	374,054	1	63	52	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	1,486,665	1	63	3	3,076
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	174,719	2	48	194	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	44,235	4	47	68	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	(D)	8	37	(D)	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	100,314	1	51	23	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	(D)	2	20	(D)	1,530
Other crops and hay	54,628	1	62	46	3,049
Poultry and eggs	63,157	1	58	205	3,013
Cattle and calves	1,042,930	1	62	3	3,056
Milk from cows	312,942	1	26	14	2,038
Hogs and pigs	(D)	11	53	(D)	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	57,279	1	58	1	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	3,715	1	62	32	3,011
Aquaculture	(D)	13	25	(D)	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	5,549	1	56	29	2,924
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)					
Wheat for grain, all	122,625	8	46	111	2,537
Winter wheat for grain	121,698	8	45	64	2,480
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	109,518	1	62	21	3,057
Corn for grain	92,621	4	33	331	2,638
Corn for silage	56,593	1	36	6	2,237
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)					
Layers	3,275,817	1	59	20	3,040
Cattle and calves	501,446	1	63	3	3,063
Pullets for laying flock replacement	(D)	1	51	(D)	2,637
Sheep and lambs	204,694	1	59	1	2,897
Horses and ponies	9,743	1	63	15	3,072

Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	1,212	Farming	1,754
\$1,000 to \$2,499	244	Other	1,771
\$2,500 to \$4,999	262	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	300	Male	2,905
\$10,000 to \$19,999	249	Female	620
\$20,000 to \$24,999	78	Average age of principal operator (years)	58.6
\$25,000 to \$39,999	167	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	71	American Indian or Alaska Native	32
\$50,000 to \$99,999	229	Asian	78
\$100,000 to \$249,999	278	Black or African American	6
\$250,000 to \$499,999	162	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	18
\$500,000 or more	273	White	5,543
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	1,548,729	More than one race	17
Average per farm (\$)	439,356	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	205
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	357,005		
Average per farm (\$)	101,278		

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.