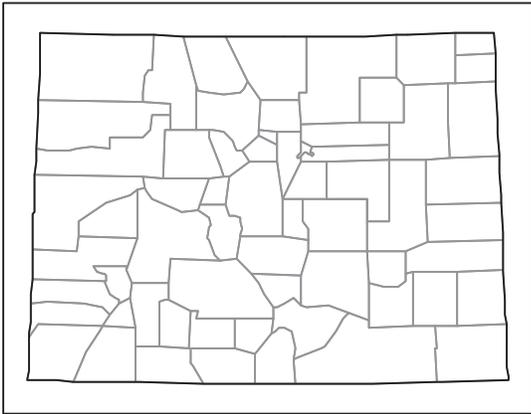


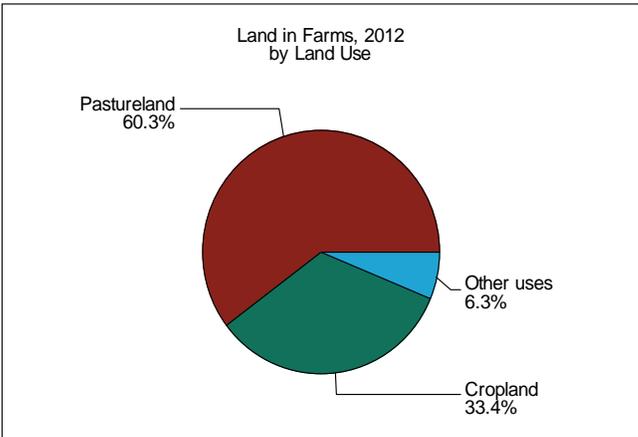
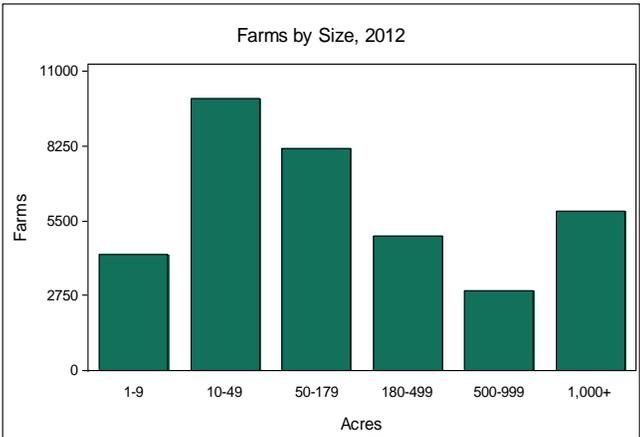
2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

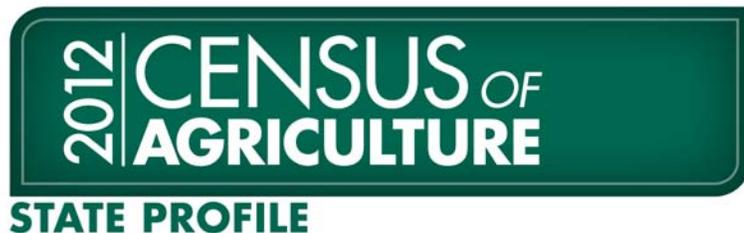
STATE PROFILE



Colorado

	2012	2007	% change
Number of Farms	36,180	37,054	- 2
Land in Farms	31,886,676 acres	31,604,911 acres	+ 1
Average Size of Farm	881 acres	853 acres	+ 3
Market Value of Products Sold	\$7,780,874,000	\$6,061,134,000	+ 28
Crop Sales \$2,434,583,000 (31 percent) Livestock Sales \$5,346,292,000 (69 percent)			
Average Per Farm	\$215,060	\$163,576	+ 31
Government Payments	\$165,576,000	\$155,980,000	+ 6
Average Per Farm Receiving Payments	\$14,897	\$13,479	+ 11





Colorado

Ranked items within U.S., 2012

Item	Quantity	U.S. Rank	Universe ¹
MARKET VALUE OF AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTS SOLD (\$1,000)			
Total value of agricultural products sold	7,780,874	20	50
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	2,434,583	25	50
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	5,346,292	10	50
VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)			
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	1,469,378	22	50
Tobacco	-	-	19
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	17
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	280,591	14	50
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	23,956	26	50
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	274,197	15	50
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	310	37	49
Other crops and hay	386,150	15	50
Poultry and eggs	102,175	33	50
Cattle and calves	4,321,308	5	50
Milk from cows	559,422	15	50
Hogs and pigs	208,763	16	50
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	87,174	3	50
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	31,600	11	50
Aquaculture	14,475	21	50
Other animals and other animal products	21,376	20	50
TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)			
Wheat for grain, all	2,181,967	8	49
Winter wheat for grain	2,167,930	5	48
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	1,296,617	18	50
Corn for grain	1,011,151	15	49
Corn for silage	157,285	15	49
TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)			
Layers	4,195,691	23	50
Cattle and calves	2,630,082	11	50
Pullets for laying flock replacement	881,505	26	50
Hogs and pigs	727,301	16	50
Sheep and lambs	401,376	3	50

Other State Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	13,421	Farming	17,962
\$1,000 to \$2,499	3,176	Other	18,218
\$2,500 to \$4,999	2,889	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	3,065	Male	29,320
\$10,000 to \$19,999	2,684	Female	6,860
\$20,000 to \$24,999	841	Average age of principal operator (years)	58.9
\$25,000 to \$39,999	1,661	All operators by race ² :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	707	American Indian or Alaska Native	442
\$50,000 to \$99,999	2,103	Asian	262
\$100,000 to \$249,999	2,329	Black or African American	72
\$250,000 to \$499,999	1,479	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	54
\$500,000 or more	1,825	White	57,068
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	6,910,512	More than one race	291
Average per farm (\$)	191,004	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin ²	3,255
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	1,348,471		
Average per farm (\$)	37,271		

See "Census of Agriculture, Volume 1, Geographic Area Series" for complete footnotes, explanations, definitions, and methodology.

- Represents zero.

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