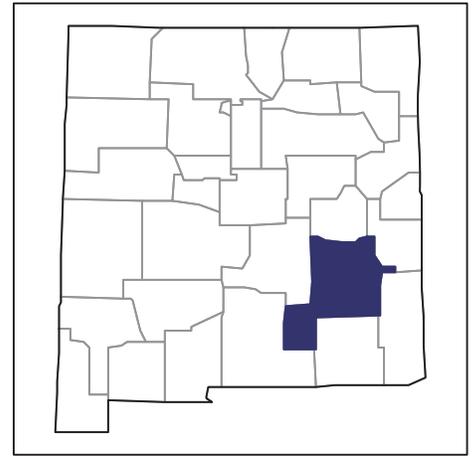


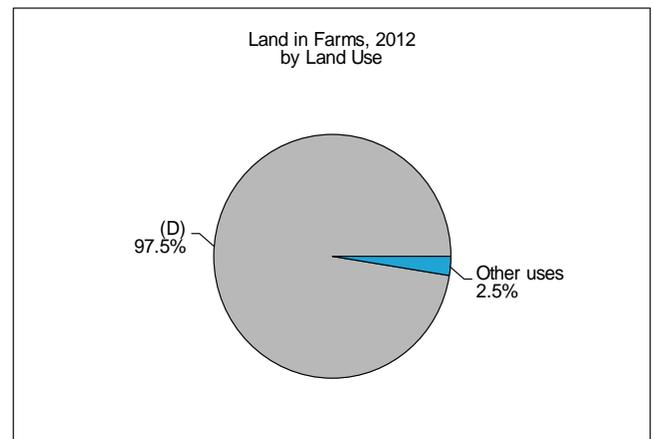
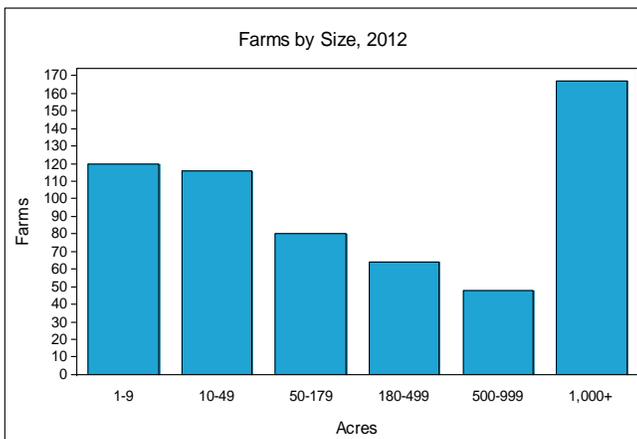
# 2012 CENSUS OF AGRICULTURE

## COUNTY PROFILE



### Chaves County New Mexico

	2012	2007	% change
<b>Number of Farms</b>	595	584	+ 2
<b>Land in Farms</b>	2,482,827 acres	2,454,564 acres	+ 1
<b>Average Size of Farm</b>	4,173 acres	4,203 acres	- 1
<b>Market Value of Products Sold</b>	\$388,099,000	\$339,088,000	+ 14
Crop Sales \$45,137,000 (12 percent)			
Livestock Sales \$342,961,000 (88 percent)			
<b>Average Per Farm</b>	\$652,267	\$580,629	+ 12
<b>Government Payments</b>	\$4,688,000	\$1,970,000	+ 138
<b>Average Per Farm Receiving Payments</b>	\$23,920	\$19,896	+ 20





## Chaves County – New Mexico

### Ranked items among the 33 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	388,099	2	33	181	3,077
Value of crops including nursery and greenhouse	45,137	4	33	1,231	3,072
Value of livestock, poultry, and their products	342,961	2	33	77	3,076
<b>VALUE OF SALES BY COMMODITY GROUP (\$1,000)</b>					
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, and dry peas	12,426	4	28	1,427	2,926
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	436
Cotton and cottonseed	(D)	5	9	(D)	635
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, and sweet potatoes	(D)	(D)	29	(D)	2,802
Fruits, tree nuts, and berries	4,675	4	30	197	2,724
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, and sod	(D)	21	30	(D)	2,678
Cut Christmas trees and short rotation woody crops	-	-	2	-	1,530
Other crops and hay	25,971	1	33	119	3,049
Poultry and eggs	10	11	33	2,378	3,013
Cattle and calves	43,471	3	32	327	3,056
Milk from cows	295,309	2	19	16	2,038
Hogs and pigs	17	6	28	1,881	2,827
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, and milk	(D)	1	32	(D)	2,988
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, and donkeys	1,594	4	32	135	3,011
Aquaculture	(D)	3	12	(D)	1,366
Other animals and other animal products	(D)	10	31	(D)	2,924
<b>TOP CROP ITEMS (acres)</b>					
Forage-land used for all hay and haylage, grass silage, and greenchop	32,739	2	33	528	3,057
Corn for silage	14,402	1	17	103	2,237
Pecans, all	2,974	3	23	47	1,263
Cotton, all	2,102	4	9	412	635
Upland cotton	2,102	4	9	412	635
<b>TOP LIVESTOCK INVENTORY ITEMS (number)</b>					
Cattle and calves	167,048	2	32	52	3,063
Sheep and lambs	10,648	3	32	93	2,897
Goats, all	1,741	3	32	258	2,996
Horses and ponies	1,349	14	33	833	3,072
Layers	793	13	32	2,046	3,040

### Other County Highlights, 2012

Economic Characteristics	Quantity	Operator Characteristics	Quantity
Farms by value of sales:		Principal operators by primary occupation:	
Less than \$1,000	113	Farming	329
\$1,000 to \$2,499	59	Other	266
\$2,500 to \$4,999	66	Principal operators by sex:	
\$5,000 to \$9,999	38	Male	540
\$10,000 to \$19,999	42	Female	55
\$20,000 to \$24,999	12	Average age of principal operator (years)	57.6
\$25,000 to \$39,999	25	All operators by race <sup>2</sup> :	
\$40,000 to \$49,999	18	American Indian or Alaska Native	11
\$50,000 to \$99,999	38	Asian	-
\$100,000 to \$249,999	64	Black or African American	-
\$250,000 to \$499,999	55	Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	-
\$500,000 or more	65	White	872
Total farm production expenses (\$1,000)	361,904	More than one race	3
Average per farm (\$)	608,242	All operators of Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino Origin <sup>2</sup>	145
Net cash farm income of operation (\$1,000)	35,164		
Average per farm (\$)	59,098		

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.