



La Plata County Colorado

Total and Per Farm Overview, 2022 and change since 2017

	2022	% change since 2017
Number of farms	1,131	+3
Land in farms (acres)	529,782	-4
Average size of farm (acres)	468	-7
Total	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	33,074,000	+36
Government payments	1,741,000	+63
Farm-related income	3,795,000	+7
Total farm production expenses	41,418,000	+30
Net cash farm income	-2,808,000	-1
Per farm average	(\$)	
Market value of products sold	29,243	+31
Government payments ^a	16,273	+40
Farm-related income ^a	7,683	-6
Total farm production expenses	36,621	+26
Net cash farm income	-2,482	+2

(Z) Percent of state agriculture sales

Share of Sales by Type (%)

Crops	50
Livestock, poultry, and products	50

Land in Farms by Use (acres)

Cropland	76,417
Pastureland	316,099
Woodland	116,896
Other	20,370

Acres irrigated: 64,660

12% of land in farms

Land Use Practices (% of farms)

No till	10
Reduced till	7
Intensive till	11
Cover crop	10

Farms by Value of Sales

	Number	Percent of Total ^b
Less than \$2,500	483	43
\$2,500 to \$4,999	141	12
\$5,000 to \$9,999	110	10
\$10,000 to \$24,999	154	14
\$25,000 to \$49,999	103	9
\$50,000 to \$99,999	72	6
\$100,000 or more	68	6

Farms by Size

	Number	Percent of Total ^b
1 to 9 acres	152	13
10 to 49 acres	413	37
50 to 179 acres	319	28
180 to 499 acres	133	12
500 to 999 acres	82	7
1,000+ acres	32	3

Market Value of Agricultural Products Sold

	Sales (\$1,000)	Rank in State ^c	Counties Producing Item	Rank in U.S. ^c	Counties Producing Item
Total	33,074	32	63	2,205	3,078
Crops	16,440	30	63	1,950	3,074
Grains, oilseeds, dry beans, dry peas	328	36	48	2,338	2,917
Tobacco	-	-	-	-	267
Cotton and cottonseed	-	-	-	-	647
Vegetables, melons, potatoes, sweet potatoes	1,647	15	50	699	2,831
Fruits, tree nuts, berries	362	7	33	1,014	2,711
Nursery, greenhouse, floriculture, sod	3,210	11	50	586	2,660
Cultivated Christmas trees, short rotation woody crops	-	-	18	-	1,274
Other crops and hay	10,892	13	62	327	3,035
Livestock, poultry, and products	16,634	32	63	1,865	3,076
Poultry and eggs	(D)	10	59	(D)	3,027
Cattle and calves	11,966	30	61	1,155	3,047
Milk from cows	160	21	30	892	1,770
Hogs and pigs	74	22	53	975	2,814
Sheep, goats, wool, mohair, milk	1,614	8	59	119	2,967
Horses, ponies, mules, burros, donkeys	1,758	6	58	145	2,907
Aquaculture	(D)	9	24	(D)	1,190
Other animals and animal products	358	16	58	504	2,909

Producers ^d	2,242	Percent of farms that:	Top Crops in Acres ^e
Sex		Have internet access	88
Male	1,244	Farm organically	2
Female	998	Sell directly to consumers	11
Age		Hire farm labor	19
<35	205	Are family farms	95
35 – 64	1,176		
65 and older	861		
Race			Livestock Inventory (Dec 31, 2022)
American Indian/Alaska Native	42		Broilers and other meat-type chickens
Asian	14		305
Black or African American	-		Cattle and calves
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	2		16,202
White	2,173		Goats
More than one race	11		848
Other characteristics			Hogs and pigs
Hispanic, Latino, Spanish origin	149		287
With military service	232		Horses and ponies
New and beginning farmers	804		3,123
			Layers
			6,082
			Pullets
			1,044
			Sheep and lambs
			6,482
			Turkeys
			117

^a Average per farm receiving. ^b May not add to 100% due to rounding. ^c Among counties whose rank can be displayed. ^d Data collected for a maximum of four producers per farm. ^e Crop commodity names may be shortened; see full names at www.nass.usda.gov/go/cropnames.pdf. ^f Position below the line does not indicate rank. (D) Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual operations. (NA) Not available. (Z) Less than half of the unit shown. (-) Represents zero.