

ELBERT COUNTY, CO

Information based on Congressional Districts of the 106th U.S. Congress, 1997

	1,997	1,992	1,987
Farms			
Number	822	717	679
Acreage	1,095,248	1,105,614	1,015,333
Average size (acres)	1,332	1,542	1,495
Median size (acres)	240	N	N
Estimated market value average per farm			
Land/buildings (dollars)	700,457	509,596	453,327
Machinery/equip (dollars)	43,399	31,820	34,707
Cropland (acres)			
Total	178,723	224,382	196,912
Harvested	79,310	87,025	78,708
Irrigated	6,135	5,967	5,327
Agricultural products sold - market value			
(\$1,000)	31,249	33,501	26,246
(dollars avg. per farm)	38,016	46,723	38,654
Agricultural sales - Net cash return per farm			
(dollars average)	1,752	4,392	4,484
Livestock inventory (number)			
Cattle and calves	55,568	53,782	55,176
Beef cows	27,416	25,959	23,889
Milk cows	864	653	781
Hogs and pigs	568	1,093	988
Sheep and lambs	1,786	1,410	713
Layers 13 wks or/older	D	D	D
Broilers and chicken (sold)	D	D	D
Harvested commodities (acres)			
Corn, grain or seed	185	232	D
Corn, silage or green chop	431	D	428
Sorghum, grain or seed	341	D	D
Wheat	38,802	44,794	36,654
Barley	D	416	1,023
Oats	N	N	N
Rice	N	N	N
Sunflower seed	N	N	N
Cotton	N	N	N
Tobacco	N	N	N
Soybeans	N	N	N
Dry edible beans, excl limas	D	D	D
Potatoes, excl sweetpotatoes	N	N	N
Sugar beets for sugar	N	N	N
Sugarcane for sugar	N	N	N
Peanuts for nuts	N	N	N
Hay-alfalfa	35,175	39,683	36,835
Vegetables			
Number of farms	N	N	N
Acreage	N	N	N

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Orchards			
Number of farms	N	N	N
Acreage	N	N	N

Abbreviations/footnotes:

N represents zero.

0 represents an insignificant amount.

D-Withheld to avoid disclosing data for individual farms.

Source: USDA, NASS, 1997 Census of Agriculture