

**OTERO COUNTY, CO**

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

	1,997	1,992	1,987
<b>Farms</b>			
Number	512	509	491
Acreage	579,647	633,279	731,609
Average size (acres)	1,132	1,244	1,490
Median size (acres)	148	N	N
<b>Estimated market value average per farm</b>			
Land/buildings (dollars)	472,644	381,868	349,314
Machinery/equip (dollars)	66,171	54,273	43,341
<b>Cropland (acres)</b>			
Total	65,069	79,497	D
Harvested	54,833	55,832	53,713
Irrigated	63,001	60,432	56,266
<b>Agricultural products sold - market value</b>			
(\$1,000)	100,214	102,436	79,261
(dollars avg. per farm)	195,731	201,249	161,427
<b>Agricultural sales - Net cash return per farm</b>			
(dollars average)	39,127	34,330	19,087
<b>Livestock inventory (number)</b>			
Cattle and calves	84,581	83,996	74,096
Beef cows	15,650	17,684	16,800
Milk cows	503	387	427
Hogs and pigs	1,289	3,139	6,590
Sheep and lambs	4,442	11,863	9,953
Layers 13 wks or/older	D	D	3,668
Broilers and chicken (sold)	D	D	0
<b>Harvested commodities (acres)</b>			
Corn, grain or seed	18,776	18,930	16,073
Corn, silage or green chop	1,638	1,498	1,983
Sorghum, grain or seed	374	311	840
Wheat	4,025	3,660	5,144
Barley	D	335	613
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	701	1,078	1,445
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	25,822	26,289	23,129
<b>Vegetables</b>			
Number of farms	N	N	N
Acreage	N	N	N

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<b>Orchards</b>			
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