

2017 Colorado Agricultural Land Cash Rental Rates

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Each year, the USDA National Ag Statistics Service releases county level data for cash rental rates for irrigated cropland, non-irrigated cropland, and pastureland. Results of the NASS survey are available in map form (see Figures 1, 2, and 3 below) or [table](https://www.nass.usda.gov/Surveys/Guide%20to%20NASS%20Surveys/Cash%20Rents%20by%20County/) format (available online at <https://www.nass.usda.gov/Surveys/Guide to NASS Surveys/Cash Rents by County/>). The rates are based on survey data collected from Colorado agricultural producers from March through June. These rates represent an average of all rates reported for a county, including both recently negotiated rents, and rents that have not been updated. Therefore, these rental rates will not always represent the current market rate.

All values are measured and reported in dollars per acre. The colors on each map indicate different price ranges for cash rental rates paid. Counties shaded in white were those that were unpublished. Aggregate data per region is available for those counties with an unpublished rate. The rate growers are willing to pay in rent is related to the land's income-earning potential. If commodity or livestock prices drop, rental rates tend to drop, also. The current drought present in parts of Colorado may also affect rental rates.

The highest cash rent paid in Colorado for irrigated cropland was in Yuma county at \$212 per acre; the lowest cash rent paid was in Eagle County at \$26 per acre. See Figure 1 for all cash rental rates paid for irrigated cropland per Colorado county.

The range of cash rents paid for non-irrigated cropland was \$42 per acre in Sedgwick to \$14 per acre in Arapahoe County. See Figure 2 for non-irrigated cropland cash rental rates paid per county in Colorado.

The highest cash rent paid for pastureland was in Boulder County at \$17 per acre, while the lowest cash rent paid was in Fremont county at \$1.70 per acre. See Figure 3 for all cash rent paid for pastureland in Colorado by county.

A survey was also conducted by CSU ag economists for leasing rates for privately owned, non-irrigated pasture land rent by Colorado county in 2015 and 2016 (available online at <http://www.wr.colostate.edu/ABM/leasing.shtm>l).

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2017 Colorado Irrigated Cropland Cash Rent Paid Per Acre

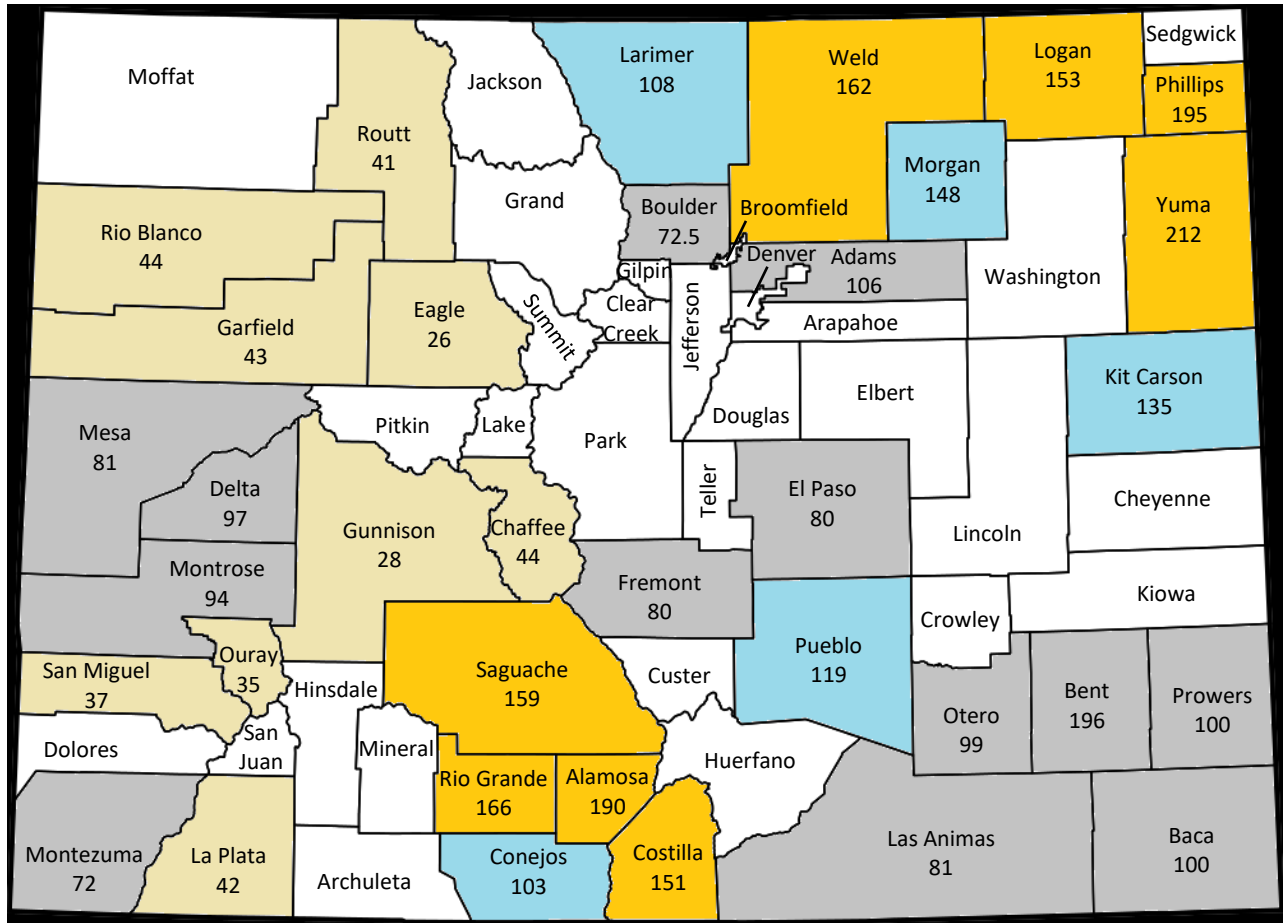
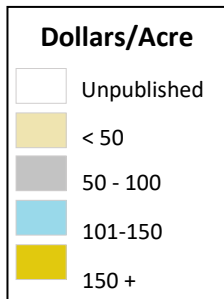


Figure 1. Colorado irrigated cropland cash rent paid per acre in 2017. (Source: 2017 USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service.)



2017 Colorado Non Irrigated Cropland Cash Rent Paid Per Acre

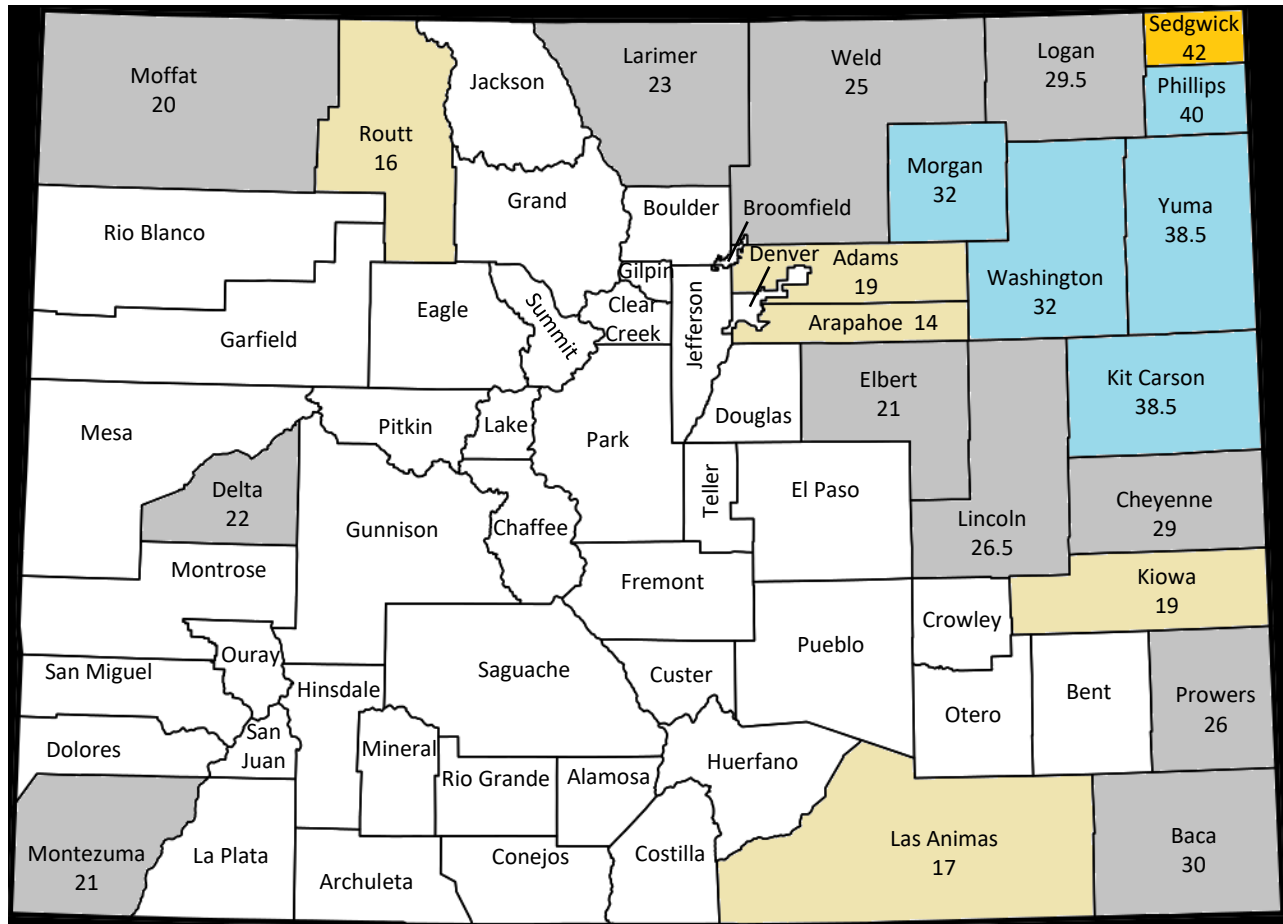
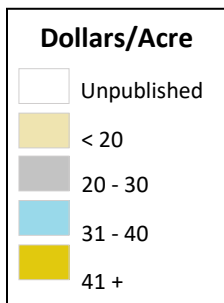


Figure 2. Colorado non-irrigated cropland cash rent paid per acre in 2017. (Source: 2017 USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service.)



2017 Pastureland Cash Rent Paid Per Acre

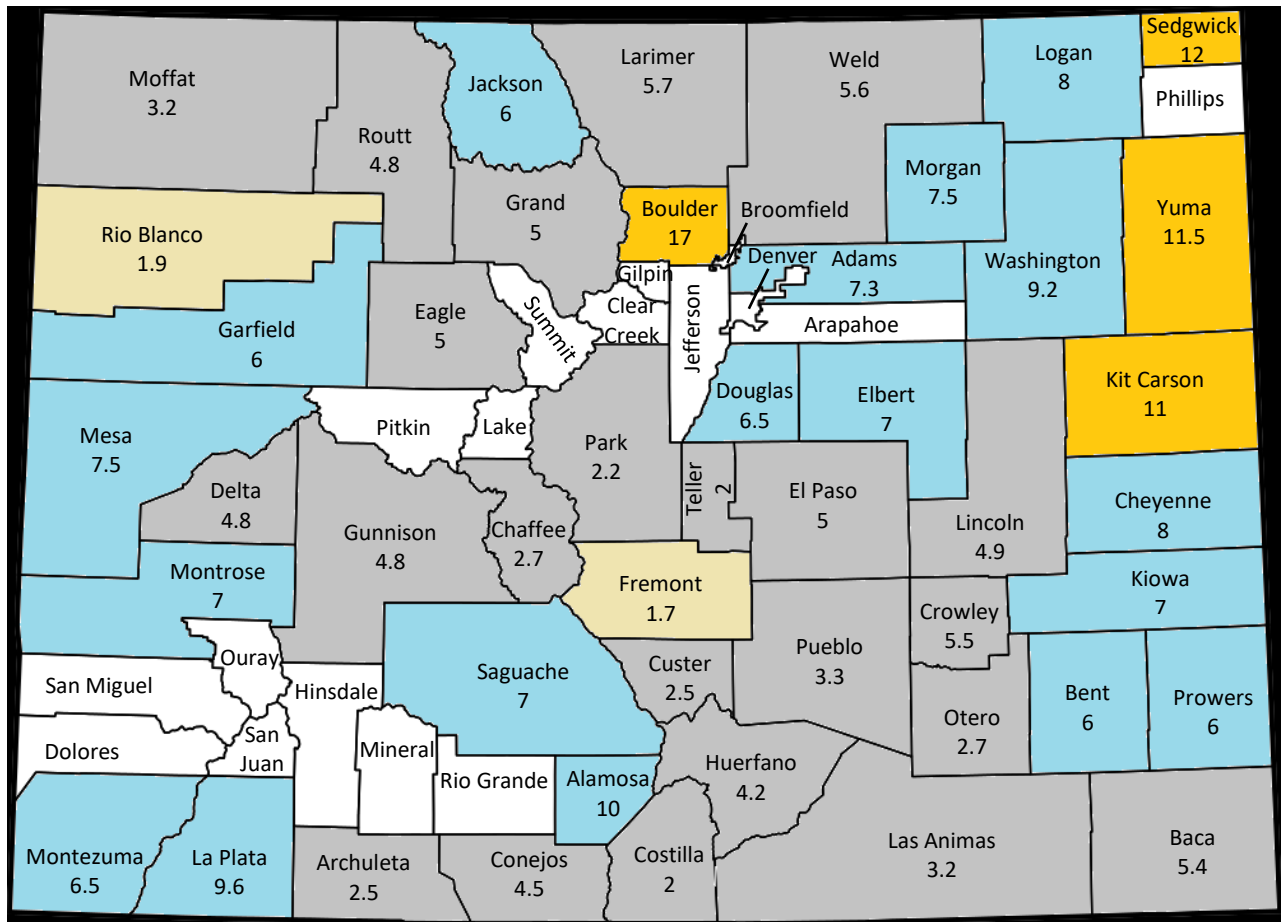


Figure 3. Colorado pastureland cash rent paid per acre in 2017. (Source: 2017 USDA National Agricultural Statistics Service.)

