

Chaves County Agriculture

6,095 sq. miles; 3,900,800 acres
60% in Agriculture

- Private or deeded land:
1,895,800 acres, 47%
- State land: 723,800 acres, 20%
- Federal land: 1,281,200 acres, 33%
- Total Irrigated land: 56,841 acres
 - Farm/Ranch units: 485
 - 41% of Producers 65 yrs or older
- Top 10% Agriculture producing county in the US

Total cash receipts – 2022

All livestock & products	\$ 363,758,000
All crops	\$ 82,855,000

Rank in New Mexico Ag Production

Alfalfa	# 1
Milk Production	# 2
Pecans	# 2

15% of total New Mexico Ag Products come from Chaves County

<u>Cattle and Calves</u>	<u>2022</u>	<u>2023</u>	<u>2024</u>
All Cattle	170,000	150,000	140,000
Beef Cows	34,500	30,500	30,000
Milk Cows	69,000	61,000	53,000
<u>Milk Production</u>			
Total Milk Production (lbs.)	1,480,009,478	1,600,317,726	1,455,594,780
Pounds per cow	18,734	23,193	23,104
<u>Sheep</u>	19,500	23,000	20,500
<u>Alfalfa Hay</u>			
Acres harvested	16,700	26,600	*
Harvested yield - tons per acre	7.35	8.4	*
Production - tons	123,000	223,500	*
<u>Pecan</u>			
Acres bearing	4,100	4,100	*
Yield—lbs. per acre	1,500	3,200	*
Production - lbs.	6,150,000	13,120,000	*

* Figure is not available

