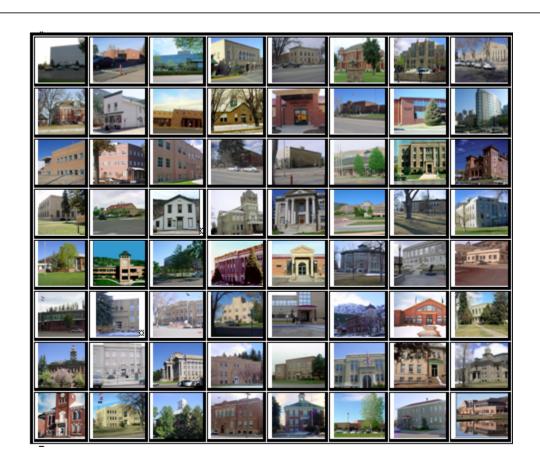


2009 YUMA COUNTY PROPERTY ASSESSMENT STUDY







September 15, 2009

Mr. Mike Mauer Director of Research Colorado Legislative Council Room 029, State Capitol Building Denver, Colorado 80203

RE: Final Report for the 2009 Colorado Property Assessment Study

Dear Mr. Mauer:

Wildrose Appraisal Inc.-Audit Division is pleased to submit the Final Reports for the 2009 Colorado Property Assessment Study.

These reports are the result of two analyses: A procedural audit and a statistical audit.

The procedural audit examines all classes of property. It specifically looks at how the assessor develops economic areas, confirms and qualifies sales, develops time adjustments and performs periodic physical property inspections. The audit reviews the procedures for determining subdivision absorption and subdivision discounting. Valuation methodology is examined for residential properties and commercial properties. Procedures are reviewed for producing mines, oil and gas leaseholds and lands producing, producing coal mines, producing earth and stone products, severed mineral interests, and non-producing patented mining claims.

Statistical audits are performed on vacant land, residential properties, commercial/industrial properties and agricultural land. A statistical analysis is performed for personal property compliance on the eleven largest counties: Adams, Arapahoe, Boulder, Denver, Douglas, El Paso, Jefferson, Larimer, Mesa, Pueblo and Weld. The remaining counties receive a personal property procedural study.

Wildrose Appraisal Inc. – Audit Division appreciates the opportunity to be of service to the State of Colorado. Please contact us with any questions or concerns.

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INTRODUCTION



The State Board of Equalization (SBOE) reviews assessments for conformance to the Constitution. The SBOE will order revaluations for counties whose valuations do not reflect the proper valuation period level of value.

The statutory basis for the audit is found in C.R.S. 39-1-104 (16)(a)(b) and (c).

The legislative council sets forth two criteria that are the focus of the audit group:

To determine whether each county assessor is applying correctly the constitutional and statutory provisions, compliance requirements of the State Board of Equalization, and the manuals published by the State Property Tax Administrator to arrive at the actual value of each class of property.

To determine if each assessor is applying correctly the provisions of law to the actual values when arriving at valuations for assessment of all locally valued properties subject to the property tax.

The property assessment audit conducts a two-part analysis: A procedural analysis and a statistical analysis.

The procedural analysis includes all classes of property and specifically looks at how the assessor develops economic areas, confirms and qualifies sales, and develops time adjustments. The audit also examines the procedures for adequately discovering, classifying and valuing agricultural outbuildings, discovering subdivision build-out subdivision and discounting procedures. Valuation methodology for vacant land, improved properties commercial residential and properties is examined. Procedures for producing mines, oil and gas leaseholds and lands producing, producing coal mines, producing earth and stone products, severed mineral interests and non-producing patented mining claims are also reviewed.

Statistical analysis is performed on vacant land, residential properties, commercial industrial properties, agricultural land, and personal property. The statistical study results are compared with State Board of Equalization compliance requirements and the manuals published by the State Property Tax Administrator.

Wildrose Audit has completed the Property Assessment Study for 2009 and is pleased to report its findings for Yuma County in the following report.

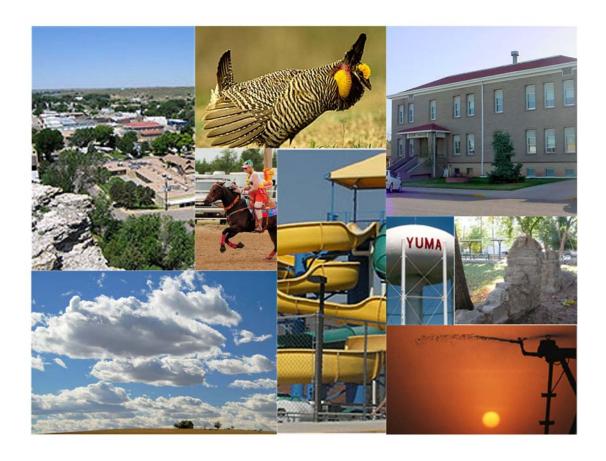


REGIONAL/HISTORICAL SKETCH OF YUMA COUNTY

Regional Information

Yuma County is located in the Eastern Plains region of Colorado. The Eastern Plains of Colorado refer to the region on the east side of the Rocky Mountain. It is east of the population centers of the Front Range,

including Baca, Bent, Cheyenne, Crowley, Elbert, Kiowa, Kit Carson, Lincoln, Logan, Morgan, Otero, Phillips, Prowers, Sedgwick, Washington, and Yuma counties.





Historical Information

Yuma County has a population of approximately 9,829 people with 4.2 people per square mile, according to the U.S. Census Bureau's 2006 estimated population data.

Yuma County was formed in 1889 from a portion of Washington County and is located on the Northeastern Colorado Plains with Nebraska and Kansas at its border. The County Seat has resided in Wray, which was named an "All-America City" in 1993 by the National Civic League, since 1902. The County offers moderate summers, crisp falls, cool winters and warm springs. The county averages 260 days of sunshine and 16.7" of annual rainfall.

Yuma County offers many opportunities for recreation. Boating and fishing are popular.

Ponds, lakes and rivers are abundant, as is the wildlife. Hunters and nature lovers can see wild turkey, pheasant and deer. Visitors from all over come to Wray to view the unusual mating ritual of the Greater Prairie Chicken. Once an endangered species, the Greater Prairie Chicken has made a comeback in Northeast Colorado.

The Wray museum has a fine Smithsonian exhibit of an ancient buffalo hunt as well as Indian and prehistoric artifacts. History buffs can visit the Beecher Island Battleground, the site of one of the most bitter battles in the Indian Wars between Cheyenne Dog Soldiers and the US Calvary.

(www.northeastrpd.org,www.yumacounty.net, www.wikipedia.org)



RATIO ANALYSIS

Methodology

All significant classes of properties were Sales were collected for each analyzed. property class over the appropriate sale period, which was typically defined as the 18-month period between January 2007 and June 2008. Counties with less than 30 sales typically extended the sale period back up to 5 years prior to June 30, 2008 in 6-month increments. If there were still fewer than 30 sales, supplemental appraisals were performed and treated as proxy sales. Residential sales for all counties using this method totaled at least 30 per county. For commercial sales, the total number analyzed was allowed, in some cases, to fall below 30. There were no sale quantity issues for counties requiring vacant land analysis or condominium analysis. Although it was required that we examine the median and coefficient of dispersion for all counties, we also calculated the weighted mean and pricerelated differential for each class of property. Counties were not passed or failed by these

latter measures, but were counseled if there were anomalies noted during our analysis. Qualified sales were based on the qualification code used by each county, which were typically coded as either "Q" or "C." The ratio analysis included all sales. The data was trimmed for counties with obvious outliers using IAAO standards for data analysis. In every case, we examined the loss in data from trimming to ensure that only true outliers were excluded. Any county with a significant portion of sales excluded by this trimming method was examined further. No county was allowed to pass the audit if more than 5% of the sales were "lost" because of trimming. For the largest 11 counties, the residential ratio statistics were broken down by economic area as well.

Conclusions

For this final analysis report, the minimum acceptable statistical standards allowed by the State Board of Equalization are:

ALLOWABL	RID	
Property Class	Unweighted Median Ratio	Coefficient of Dispersion
Commercial/Industrial	Between .95-1.05	Less than 20.99
Condominium	Between .95-1.05	Less than 15.99
Single Family	Between .95-1.05	Less than 15.99
Vacant Land	Between .95-1.05	Less than 20.99



The results for Yuma County are:

Yuma County Ratio Grid						
Property Class	Number of Qualified Sales	Unweighted Median Ratio	Price Related Differential	Coefficient of Dispersion	Time Trend Analysis	
Commercial/Industrial	42	0.972	1.015	6.8	Compliant	
Condominium	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	
Single Family	187	0.998	1.023	9.4	Compliant	
Vacant Land	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	

After applying the above described methodologies, it is concluded from the sales ratios that Yuma County is in compliance with SBOE, DPT, and Colorado State Statute valuation guidelines.

Recommendations

None

Random Deed Analysis

An additional analysis was performed as part of the Ratio Analysis. Ten randomly selected deeds with documentary fees were obtained from the Clerk and Recorder. These deeds were for sales that occurred from January 1, 2007 through June 30, 2008. These sales were then checked for inclusion on the Assessor's qualified or unqualified database.

Conclusions

After comparing the list of randomly selected deeds with the Assessor's database, Yuma County has accurately transferred sales data from the recorded deeds to the qualified or unqualified database.

Recommendations



TIME TRENDING VERIFICATION

Methodology

While we recommend that counties use the inverted ratio regression analysis method to account for market (time) trending, some counties have used other IAAO-approved methods, such as the weighted monthly median approach. We are not auditing the methods used, but rather the results of the methods used. Given this range of methodologies used to account for market trending, we concluded that the best validation method was to examine the sale ratios for each class across the appropriate sale period. To be specific, if a county has considered and adjusted correctly for market trending, then the sale ratios should remain stable (i.e. flat) across the sale period. If a residual market trend is detected, then the county may or may not have addressed market

trending adequately, and a further examination is warranted. This validation methodology also considers the number of sales and the length of the sale period. Counties with few sales across the sale period were carefully examined to determine if the statistical results were valid.

Conclusions

After verification and analysis, it has been determined that Yuma County has complied with the statutory requirements to analyze the effects of time on value in their county. Yuma County has also satisfactorily applied the results of their time trending analysis to arrive at the time adjusted sales price (TASP).

Recommendations



SOLD/UNSOLD ANALYSIS

Methodology

Yuma County was tested for the equal treatment of sold and unsold properties to ensure that "sales chasing" has not occurred. The auditors employed a multi-step process to determine if sold and unsold properties were valued in a consistent manner.

All qualified residential and commercial class properties were examined using the unit value method, where the actual value per square foot was compared between sold and unsold properties. A class was considered qualified if it met the criteria for the ratio analysis. The median value per square foot for both groups was compared from an appraisal and statistical perspective. If no significant difference was indicated, then we concluded that no further testing was warranted and that the county was in compliance in terms of sold/unsold consistency.

If either residential or commercial differences were significant using the unit value method, or if data limitations made the comparison invalid, then the next step was to perform a ratio analysis comparing the 2008 and 2009 actual values for each qualified class of property. All qualified vacant land classes were tested using this method. The sale property ratios were arrayed using a range of 0.8 to 1.5, which theoretically excluded changes between years that were due to other unrelated changes in the property. These ratios were also stratified at the appropriate level of analysis. percent change was determined for each appropriate class and sub-class, the next step was to select the unsold sample. This sample

was at least 1% of the total population of unsold properties and excluded any sale properties. The unsold sample was filtered based on the attributes of the sold dataset to closely correlate both groups. The ratio analysis was then performed on the unsold properties and stratified. The median and mean ratio distribution was then compared between the sold and unsold group. A nonparametric test such as the Mann-Whitney test for differences between independent samples was undertaken to determine whether any observed differential was significant. If this test determined that the unsold properties were treated in a manner similar to the sold properties, it was concluded that no further testing was warranted and that the county was in compliance.

If a class or sub-class of property was determined to be significantly different by this method, the final step was to perform a multivariate mass appraisal model that developed ratio statistics from the sold properties that were then applied to the unsold sample. This test compared the measures of central tendency and confidence intervals for the sold properties with the unsold property sample. If this comparison was also determined to be significantly different, then the conclusion was that the county had treated the unsold properties in a different manner than sold properties.

These tests were supported by both tabular and chart presentations, along with saved sold and unsold sample files.



Sold/Unsold Re	sults
Property Class	Results
Commercial/Industrial	Compliant
Condominium	N/A
Single Family	Compliant
Vacant Land	N/A

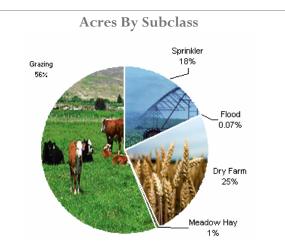
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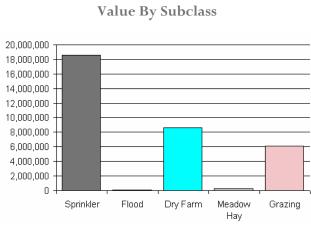
After applying the above described methodologies, it is concluded that Yuma County is reasonably treating its sold and unsold properties in the same manner.

Recommendations



AGRICULTURAL LAND STUDY





Agricultural Land

County records were reviewed to determine major land categories such as irrigated farm, dry farm, meadow hay, grazing and other In addition, county records were lands. reviewed in order to determine if: photographs are available and are being used; soil conservation guidelines have been used to classify lands based on productivity; crop rotations have been documented; typical commodities and yields have been determined; orchard lands have been properly classified and valued; expenses reflect a ten year average and are typical landlord expenses; grazing lands have been properly classified and valued; the number of acres in each class and subclass have been determined; the capitalization rate was properly applied. Also, documentation was required for the valuation methods used and locally developed yields, capacities, and expenses. Records were also checked to ensure that the commodity prices and expenses, furnished by the Property Tax Administrator (PTA), were applied properly.

(See Assessor Reference Library Volume 3 Chapter 5.)

Conclusions

An analysis of the agricultural land data indicates an acceptable appraisal of this property type. Directives, commodity prices and expenses provided by the PTA were properly applied. County yields compared favorably to those published by Colorado Agricultural Statistics. Expenses used by the county were allowable expenses and were in an acceptable range. Grazing lands carrying capacities were in an acceptable range. The data analyzed resulted in the following ratios:



	Yuma County Agricultural Land Ratio Grid								
Abstract Code	Land Class	Number Of Acres	County Value Per Acre	County Assessed Total Value	WRA Total Value	Ratio			
4107	Sprinkler	258,673	71.70	18,547,848	18,547,848	1.00			
4117	Flood	953	65.54	62,460	62,460	1.00			
4127	Dry Farm	361,864	23.74	8,589,734	8,528,277	1.01			
4137	Meadow Hay	7,714	32.55	251,067	251,067	1.00			
4147	Grazing	806,151	7.59	6,119,116	6,119,116	1.00			
Total/Avg		1,435,355	23.39	33,570,225	33,508,768	1.00			

Recommendations



Agricultural Outbuildings

Methodology

Data was collected and reviewed to determine if the guidelines found in the Assessor's Reference Library (ARL) Volume 3, pages 5.74 through 5.77 were being followed.

Conclusions

Yuma County has substantially complied with the procedures provided by the Division of Property Taxation for the valuation of agricultural outbuildings.

Recommendations



SALES VERIFICATION

According to Colorado Revised Statutes:

A representative body of sales is required when considering the market approach to appraisal.

(8) In any case in which sales prices of comparable properties within any class or subclass are utilized when considering the market approach to appraisal in the determination of actual value of any taxable property, the following limitations and conditions shall apply:

(a)(I) Use of the market approach shall require a representative body of sales, including sales by a lender or government, sufficient to set a pattern, and appraisals shall reflect due consideration of the degree of comparability of sales, including the extent of similarities and dissimilarities among properties that are compared for assessment purposes. In order to obtain a reasonable sample and to reduce sudden price changes or fluctuations, all sales shall be included in the sample that reasonably reflect a true or typical sales price during the period specified in section 39-1-104 (10.2). Sales of personal property exempt pursuant to the provisions of sections 39-3-102, 39-3-103, and 39-3-119 to 39-3-122 shall not be included in any such sample.

(b) Each such sale included in the sample shall be coded to indicate a typical, negotiated sale, as screened and verified by the assessor. (39-1-103, C.R.S.)

The assessor is required to use sales of real property only in the valuation process.

(8)(f) Such true and typical sales shall include only those sales which have been determined on an individual basis to reflect the selling price of the real property only or which have been adjusted on an individual basis to reflect the selling price of the real property only. (39-1-103, C.R.S.)

Part of the Property Assessment Study is the sales verification analysis. WRA has used the above-cited statutes as a guide in our study of the county's procedures and practices for verifying sales.

WRA reviewed the sales verification procedures in 2009 for Yuma County. This study was conducted by checking selected sales from the master sales list for the Jan 1, 2007 - June 30, 2008 valuation period. Specifically WRA selected 31 sales listed as unqualified.

All of the sales in the unqualified sales sample had reasons that were clear and supportable.

Conclusions

Yuma County appears to be doing an excellent job of verifying their sales. WRA agreed with the county's reason for disqualifying each of the sales selected in the sample. There are no recommendations or suggestions.

Recommendations



ECONOMIC AREA REVIEW AND EVALUATION

Methodology

Yuma County has submitted a written narrative describing the economic areas that make up the county's market areas. Yuma County has also submitted a map illustrating these areas. Each of these narratives have been read and analyzed for logic and appraisal sensibility. The maps were also compared to the narrative for consistency between the written description and the map.

Conclusions

After review and analysis, it has been determined that Yuma County has adequately

identified homogeneous economic areas comprised of smaller neighborhoods. Each economic area defined is equally subject to a set of economic forces that impact the value of the properties within that geographic area and this has been adequately addressed. Each economic area defined adequately delineates an area that will give "similar values for similar properties in similar areas."

Recommendations



NATURAL RESOURCES

Earth and Stone Products

Methodology

Under the guidelines of the Assessor's Reference Library (ARL), Volume 3, Natural Resource Valuation Procedures, the income approach was applied to determine value for production of earth and stone products. The number of tons was multiplied by an economic royalty rate determined by the Division of Property Taxation to determine income. The income was multiplied by a recommended Hoskold factor to determine the actual value. The Hoskold factor is determined by the life of the reserves or the lease. Value is based on two variables: life and tonnage. The operator determines these since there is no other means to obtain production data through any state or private agency.

Conclusions

The County has applied the correct formulas and state guidelines to earth and stone production.

Recommendations

None

Producing Oil and Gas Procedures

Methodology

Assessors Reference Library (ARL) Volume 3, Chapter 6: Valuation of Natural Resources

STATUTORY REFERENCES

Section § 39-1-103, C.R.S., specifies that producing oil or gas leaseholds and lands are valued according to article 7 of title 39, C.R.S.

Actual value determined - when.

(2) The valuation for assessment of leaseholds and lands producing oil or gas shall be determined as provided in article 7 of this title. § 39-1-103, C.R.S.

Article 7 covers the listing, valuation, and assessment of producing oil and gas leaseholds and lands.

Valuation:

Valuation for assessment.

- (1) Except as provided in subsection (2) of this section, on the basis of the information contained in such statement, the assessor shall value such oil and gas leaseholds and lands for assessment, as real property, at an amount equal to eighty-seven and one-half percent of:
- (a) The selling price of the oil or gas sold there from during the preceding calendar year, after excluding the selling price of all oil or gas delivered to the United States government or any agency thereof, the state of Colorado or any agency thereof, or any political subdivision of the state as royalty during the preceding calendar year;
- (b) The selling price of oil or gas sold in the same field area for oil or gas transported from the premises which is not sold during the preceding calendar year, after excluding the selling price of all oil or gas delivered to the United States government or any agency thereof, the state of Colorado or any agency thereof, or any political subdivision of the state as royalty during the preceding calendar year.

§ 39-7-102, C.R.S.

Conclusions

The county applied approved appraisal procedures in the valuation of oil and gas.

Recommendations:



VACANT LAND

Subdivision Discounting

Subdivisions were reviewed in 2009 in Yuma County. The review showed that subdivisions were discounted pursuant to the Colorado Revised Statutes in Article 39-1-103 (14). Discounting procedures were applied to all subdivisions where less than 80 percent of all sites were sold using the present worth method. The market approach was applied where 80 percent or more of the subdivision sites were sold. An absorption period was estimated for each subdivision that was discounted. An appropriate discount rate was developed using the summation method.

Subdivision land with structures was appraised at full market value.

Conclusions

Yuma County has implemented proper procedures to adequately estimate absorption periods, discount rates, and lot values for qualifying subdivisions.

Recommendations



POSSESSORY INTEREST PROPERTIES

Possessory Interest

Possessory interest property discovery and valuation is described in the Assessor's Reference Library (ARL) Volume 3 section 7 in accordance with the requirements of 39-1-103 (17)(a) (II) C.R.S. Possessory Interest is defined by the Property Tax Administrator's Publication ARL Volume 3, Section 7: private property interest in government-owned property or the right to the occupancy and use of any benefit in government-owned property that has been granted under lease, permit, license, concession, contract, or agreement.

Yuma County has been reviewed for their procedures and adherence to guidelines when assessing and valuing agricultural and commercial possessory interest properties. The county has also been queried as to their confidence that the possessory interest properties have been discovered and placed on the tax rolls.

Conclusions

Yuma County has implemented a discovery process to place possessory interest properties on the roll. They have also correctly and consistently applied the correct procedures and valuation methods in the valuation of possessory interest properties.

Recommendations



PERSONAL PROPERTY AUDIT

Yuma County was studied for its procedural compliance with the personal property assessment outlined in the Assessor's Reference Library (ARL) Volume 5, and in the State Board of Equalization (SBOE) requirements for the assessment of personal property. The SBOE requires that counties use ARL Volume 5, including current discovery, classification, documentation procedures, current economic lives table, cost factor tables, depreciation table, and level of value adjustment factor table.

The personal property audit standards narrative must be in place and current. A listing of businesses that have been audited by the assessor within the twelve-month period reflected in the plan is given to the auditor. The audited businesses must be in conformity with those described in the plan.

Aggregate ratio will be determined solely from the personal property accounts that have been physically inspected. The minimum assessment sample is one percent or ten schedules, whichever is greater, and the maximum assessment audit sample is 100 schedules.

For the counties having over 100,000 population, WRA selected a sample of all personal property schedules to determine whether the assessor is correctly applying the provisions of law and manuals of the Property Tax Administrator in arriving at the assessment levels of such property. This sample was selected from the personal property schedules audited by the assessor. In no event was the sample selected by the contractor less than 30 schedules. The counties to be included in this study are Adams, Arapahoe, Boulder, Denver, Douglas, El Paso, Jefferson, Larimer, Mesa, Pueblo, and Weld. All other counties received a procedural study.

Yuma County is compliant with the guidelines set forth in ARL Volume 5 regarding discovery procedures, using the following methods to discover personal property accounts in the county:

- Public Record Documents
- Chamber of Commerce/Economic Development Contacts
- Local Telephone Directories, Newspapers or Other Local Publications
- Personal Observation, Physical Canvassing or Word of Mouth
- Questionnaires, Letters and/or Phone Calls to Buyer, Seller and/or Realtor

The county uses the Division of Property Taxation (DPT) recommended classification and documentation procedures. The DPT's recommended cost factor tables, depreciation tables and level of value adjustment factor tables are also used.

Yuma County submitted their personal property written audit plan and was current for the 2009 valuation period. The number and listing of businesses audited was also submitted and was in conformance with the written audit plan. The following audit triggers were used by the county to select accounts to be audited:

- Accounts with obvious discrepancies
- New businesses filing for the first time
- Incomplete or inconsistent declarations
- Accounts with omitted property
- Non-filing Accounts Best Information Available
- Accounts protested with substantial disagreement



- Existing businesses that were purchased during the prior year
- Accounts consistently ignoring filing deadline

Conclusions

Yuma County has employed adequate discovery, classification, documentation, valuation, and auditing procedures for their personal property assessment and is in statistical compliance with SBOE requirements.

Recommendations



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APPENDICES

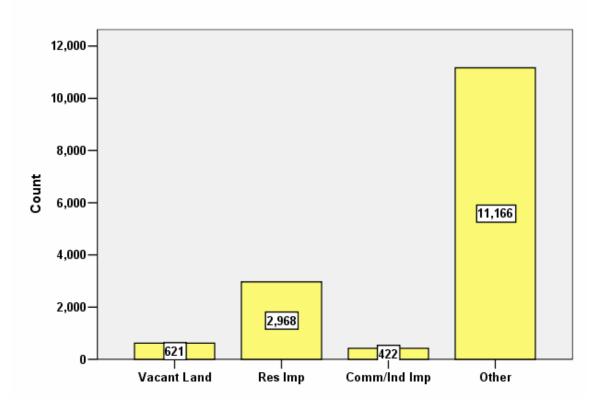


STATISTICAL COMPLIANCE RESULTS FOR YUMA COUNTY 2009

I. OVERVIEW

Yuma County is an agricultural county located in eastern Colorado. The county has a total of 15,177 real property parcels, according to data submitted by the county assessor's office in 2009. The following provides a breakdown of property classes for this county:

Real Property Class Distribution



The vacant land class of properties was dominated by residential land. Residential lots (coded 100 or 1112) accounted for 40% of all vacant land parcels, while mobile home land accounted for 38%. Based on the number of vacant land parcels in Yuma County, we were not required to analyze this class of property for audit compliance.

For residential improved properties, single family properties accounted for 82% of all residential properties. Properties classified as mobile homes (1235) accounted for 15% of all properties.

Commercial and industrial properties represented a much smaller proportion of property classes in comparison. Commercial/industrial sales accounted for 2.8% of all such properties in this county.



II. DATA FILES

The following sales analyses were based on the requirements of the 2009 Colorado Property Assessment Study. Information was provided by the Yuma Assessor's Office on April 13, 2009. The data included all 5 property record files as specified by the Auditor.

III. RESIDENTIAL SALES RESULTS

The following steps were taken to analyze the residential sales:

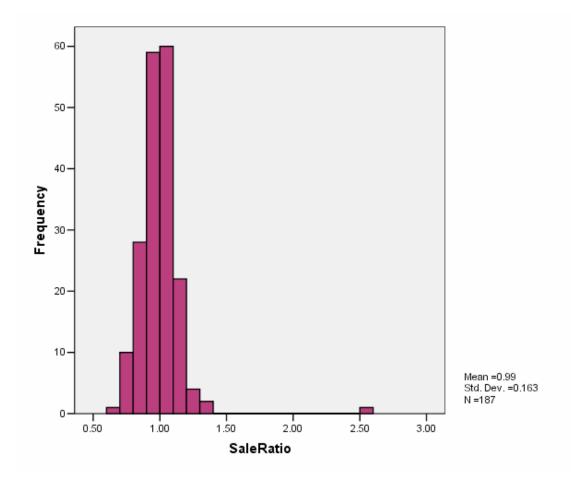
1. Selected qualified sales	786
2. Select improved sales	703
3. Select non-duplicate sales	605
4. Select residential sales only (Coded 10000)	551
5. Sales between January 1, 2007 and June 30, 2008	187

The sales ratio analysis was analyzed as follows:

Median	0.998
Price Related Differential	1.023
Coefficient of Dispersion	.094

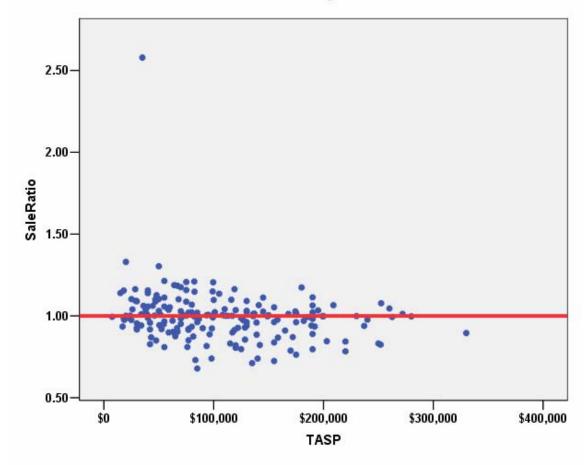
The above ratio statistics were in compliance with the standards set forth by the Colorado State Board of Equalization (SBOE) for the overall residential sales. The following graphs describe further the sales ratio distribution for all of these properties:











The above graphs indicate that the distribution of the sale ratios was within state mandated limits, and that there were no significant price-related differential issues. No sales were trimmed.

Residential Market Trend Analysis

We next analyzed the residential dataset using the 18-month sale period, with the following results:

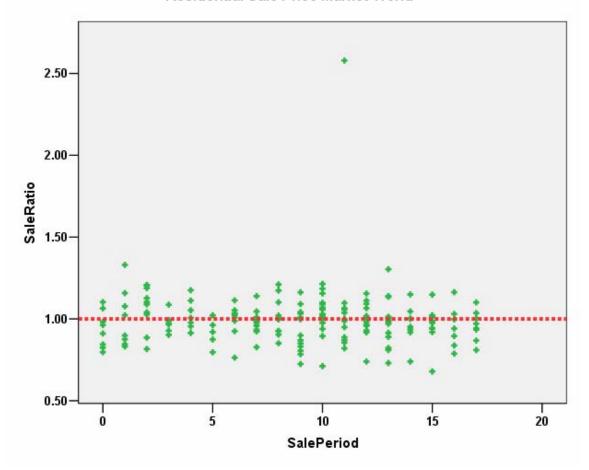
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	Model		В	Std. Error	Beta	t	Sig.
ľ	1	(Constant)	1.005	.026		39.160	.000
		SalePeriod	001	.003	037	497	.620

a. Dependent Variable: SaleRatio







The above analysis indicated that no market trend was present in the sale ratio data. We concur with the assessor that no market trend adjustments were warranted.

Sold/Unsold Analysis

In terms of the valuation consistency between sold and unsold residential properties, we compared the median actual value per square foot for 2009 between each group, as follows:

Group	No. Props	Median Act Val/SF	Mean Act Val/SF
Unsold	2,336	\$47	\$49
Sold	187	\$50	\$52

The above results indicate that sold and unsold residential properties were valued in a consistent manner.



IV. COMMERCIAL/INDUSTRIAL SALE RESULTS

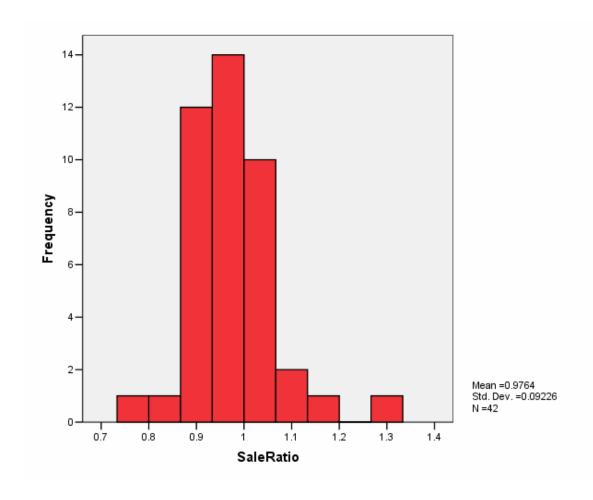
The following steps were taken to analyze the commercial sales:

1. Selected qualified sales	786
2. Select improved sales	703
3. Select non-duplicate sales	605
4. Select commercial sales only (Coded 20000)	42
5. Sales between July 1, 2003 and June 30, 2008	42

The sales ratio analysis was analyzed as follows:

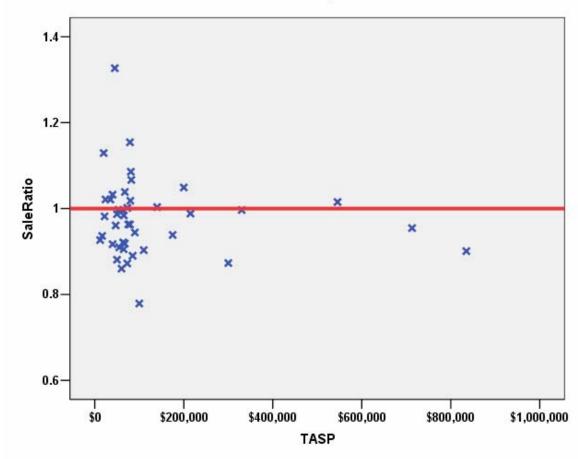
Median	0.972
Price Related Differential	1.015
Coefficient of Dispersion	.068

The above tables indicate that the Yuma County commercial/industrial sale ratios were in compliance with the SBOE standards. The following histogram and scatter plot describe the sales ratio distribution further:









Commercial Market Trend Analysis

The assessor did not apply any market trend adjustment to the commercial dataset. The 42 commercial sales were analyzed, examining the sale ratios across the 5 year sale period with the following results:

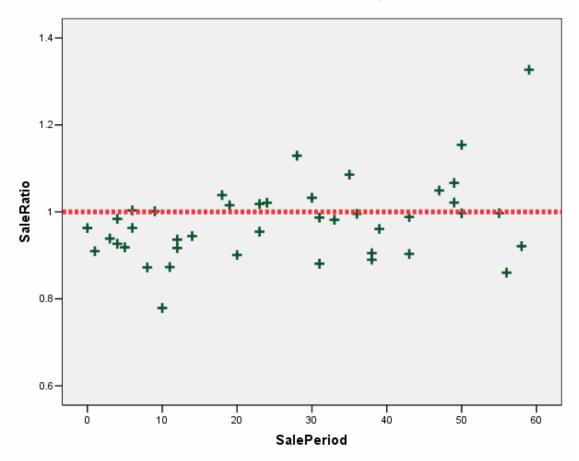
Coefficientsa

		Unstandardized Coefficients		Standardized Coefficients		
Model		В	Std. Error	Beta	t	Sig.
1	(Constant)	.924	.024		38.686	.000
	SalePeriod	.002	.001	.387	2.655	.011

a. Dependent Variable: SaleRatio







The market trend results indicated a statistically significant trend, but the magnitude was only 0.2% per month, which on an annual basis would be 2.4%. The following indicates the distribution of commercial subclasses as follows:

Abstrimp

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	2212.00	21	50.0	50.0	50.0
	2220.00	7	16.7	16.7	66.7
	2230.00	6	14.3	14.3	81.0
	2235.00	7	16.7	16.7	97.6
	2240.00	1	2.4	2.4	100.0
	Total	42	100.0	100.0	

With the small number of sales, the number of distinct subclasses, and the 5-year length of the sale period, we concluded that the market trend in the sale ratio was marginal at best.



Sold/Unsold Analysis

We compared the median actual value per square foot between sold and unsold commercial properties to determine if the assessor was valuing each group consistently. While this is a challenge to prove in this county, given the small number of sales and the overall small number and diversity of commercial/industrial properties in general, the following results indicate that based on the median actual value, both groups were valued in a consistent manner:

Subclass	Group	No, Props	Median Val / SF	Mean Val / SF
2212	Unsold	88	\$31	\$39
	Sold	21	\$31	\$48
2220	Unsold	46	\$40	\$41
	Sold	7	\$28	\$32
2230	Unsold	81	\$42	\$48
	Sold	6	\$33	\$51
2235	Unsold	131	\$21	\$38
	Sold	7	\$26	\$26
2240	Unsold	4	\$21	\$23
	Sold	1	\$47	\$47
Total	Unsold	376	\$31	\$43
	Sold	42	\$30	\$42

The above results, both stratified by subclass and on a class-wide basis, indicated that sold and unsold commercial properties were valued consistently.

V. AGRICULTURAL IMPROVEMENTS ANALYSIS

The final statistical verification concerned the assigned actual values for agricultural residential improvements. We compared the actual value per square foot rate for this group and compared it to rates assigned to residential single family improvements in Yuma County in select neighborhood (NBHD 100.1 to 100.8).

The following indicates that agricultural residential improvements were valued in a manner similar to the single family residential improvements in this county:

VI. CONCLUSIONS

Based on this statistical analysis, there were no significant compliance issues concluded for Yuma County as of the date of this report.



STATISTICAL ABSTRACT

Residential

Ratio Statistics for CURRTOT / TASP

Maan		004
Mean		.994
95% Confidence Interval	Lower Bound	.971
for Mean	Upper Bound	1.018
Median		.998
95% Confidence Interval	Lower Bound	.981
for Median	Upper Bound	1.005
	Actual Coverage	96.0%
Weighted Mean		.972
95% Confidence Interval	Lower Bound	.954
for Weighted Mean	Upper Bound	.991
Price Related Differential		1.023
Coefficient of Dispersion		.094
Coefficient of Variation	Mean Centered	16.4%

The confidence interval for the median is constructed without any distribution assumptions. The actual coverage level may be greater than the specified level. Other confidence intervals are constructed by assuming a Normal distribution for the ratios.

Commercial/Industrial

Ratio Statistics for CURRTOT / TASP

Mean		.976
95% Confidence Interval	Lower Bound	.948
for Mean	Upper Bound	1.005
Median		.972
95% Confidence Interval	Lower Bound	.936
for Median	Upper Bound	.997
	Actual Coverage	95.6%
Weighted Mean		.962
95% Confidence Interval	Lower Bound	.932
for Weighted Mean	Upper Bound	.991
Price Related Differential		1.015
Coefficient of Dispersion		.068
Coefficient of Variation	Mean Centered	9.4%

The confidence interval for the median is constructed without any distribution assumptions. The actual coverage level may be greater than the specified level. Other confidence intervals are constructed by assuming a Normal distribution for the ratios.



Vacant Land

Not applicable

Residential Median Ratio Stratification

Sale Price

Case Processing Summary

		Count	Percent
SPRec	LT \$25K	12	6.4%
	\$25K to \$50K	31	16.6%
	\$50K to \$100K	61	32.6%
	\$100K to \$150K	39	20.9%
	\$150K to \$200K	29	15.5%
	\$200K to \$300K	14	7.5%
	\$300K to \$500K	1	.5%
Overall		187	100.0%
Excluded		0	
Total		187	

Ratio Statistics for CURRTOT / TASP

				Coefficient of Variation
		Price Related	Coefficient of	Median
Group	Median	Differential	Dispersion	Centered
LT \$25K	.998	.999	.073	12.5%
\$25K to \$50K	1.033	1.003	.124	29.1%
\$50K to \$100K	.995	1.002	.095	12.4%
\$100K to \$150K	.998	1.001	.080	11.2%
\$150K to \$200K	.977	.997	.081	10.9%
\$200K to \$300K	.985	.997	.083	11.0%
\$300K to \$500K	.895	1.000	.000	
Overall	.998	1.023	.094	16.3%



Subclass

Case Processing Summary

		Count	Percent
Abstrimp	1212.00	185	98.9%
	1215.00	2	1.1%
Overall		187	100.0%
Excluded		0	
Total		187	

Ratio Statistics for CURRTOT / TASP

				Coefficient of Variation
		Price Related	Coefficient of	Median
Group	Median	Differential	Dispersion	Centered
1212.00	.998	1.022	.093	16.3%
1215.00	.942	1.040	.154	21.8%
Overall	.998	1.023	.094	16.3%

Age

Case Processing Summary

		Count	Percent
AgeRec	Over 100	16	8.6%
	75 to 100	73	39.0%
	50 to 75	31	16.6%
	25 to 50	37	19.8%
	5 to 25	28	15.0%
	5 or Newer	2	1.1%
Overall		187	100.0%
Excluded		0	
Total		187	



Ratio Statistics for CURRTOT / TASP

				Coefficient of Variation
		Price Related	Coefficient of	Median
Group	Median	Differential	Dispersion	Centered
Over 100	.987	1.051	.081	12.9%
75 to 100	.973	1.043	.117	23.0%
50 to 75	1.007	1.012	.089	11.4%
25 to 50	.994	1.020	.086	11.2%
5 to 25	1.008	1.004	.063	8.8%
5 or Newer	.998	1.000	.001	.1%
Overall	.998	1.023	.094	16.3%

Improved Area

Case Processing Summary

		Count	Percent
ImpSFRec	500 to 1,000 sf	22	11.8%
	1,000 to 1,500 sf	42	22.5%
	1,500 to 2,000 sf	50	26.7%
	2,000 to 3,000 sf	57	30.5%
	3,000 sf or Higher	16	8.6%
Overall		187	100.0%
Excluded		0	
Total		187	

Ratio Statistics for CURRTOT / TASP

Natio Statistics for CONNTOTY TAGE					
Group	Median	Price Related Differential	Coefficient of Dispersion	Coefficient of Variation	
				Median Centered	
500 to 1,000 sf	.991	1.024	.075	11.0%	
1,000 to 1,500 sf	.979	1.012	.083	11.1%	
1,500 to 2,000 sf	1.005	1.048	.129	25.8%	
2,000 to 3,000 sf	.998	1.017	.082	11.3%	
3,000 sf or Higher	1.029	1.008	.071	9.9%	
Overall	.998	1.023	.094	16.3%	



Commercial Median Ratio Stratification

Sale Price

Case Processing Summary

		Count	Percent
SPRec	LT \$25K	5	11.9%
	\$25K to \$50K	7	16.7%
	\$50K to \$100K	20	47.6%
	\$100K to \$150K	2	4.8%
	\$150K to \$200K	2	4.8%
	\$200K to \$300K	2	4.8%
	\$300K to \$500K	1	2.4%
	\$500K to \$750K	2	4.8%
	\$750K to \$1,000K	1	2.4%
Overall		42	100.0%
Excluded		0	
Total		42	

Ratio Statistics for CURRTOT / TASP

				Coefficient of Variation
		Price Related	Coefficient of	Median
Group	Median	Differential	Dispersion	Centered
LT \$25K	.982	.991	.059	8.6%
\$25K to \$50K	.987	1.002	.090	15.2%
\$50K to \$100K	.963	1.001	.070	9.0%
\$100K to \$150K	.953	.994	.053	7.4%
\$150K to \$200K	.994	.996	.056	7.9%
\$200K to \$300K	.931	1.010	.062	8.7%
\$300K to \$500K	.997	1.000	.000	
\$500K to \$750K	.985	1.004	.031	4.4%
\$750K to \$1,000K	.901	1.000	.000	
Overall	.972	1.015	.068	9.5%



Subclass

Case Processing Summary

		Count	Percent
Abstrimp	2212.00	21	50.0%
	2220.00	7	16.7%
	2230.00	6	14.3%
	2235.00	7	16.7%
	2240.00	1	2.4%
Overall		42	100.0%
Excluded		0	
Total		42	

Ratio Statistics for CURRTOT / TASP

				Coefficient of Variation
		Price Related	Coefficient of	Median
Group	Median	Differential	Dispersion	Centered
2212.00	.997	1.018	.056	9.4%
2220.00	.917	1.007	.040	5.2%
2230.00	.952	.990	.053	6.2%
2235.00	.927	1.028	.105	14.1%
2240.00	.901	1.000	.000	
Overall	.972	1.015	.068	9.5%

Vacant Land Median Ratio Stratification

Not applicable