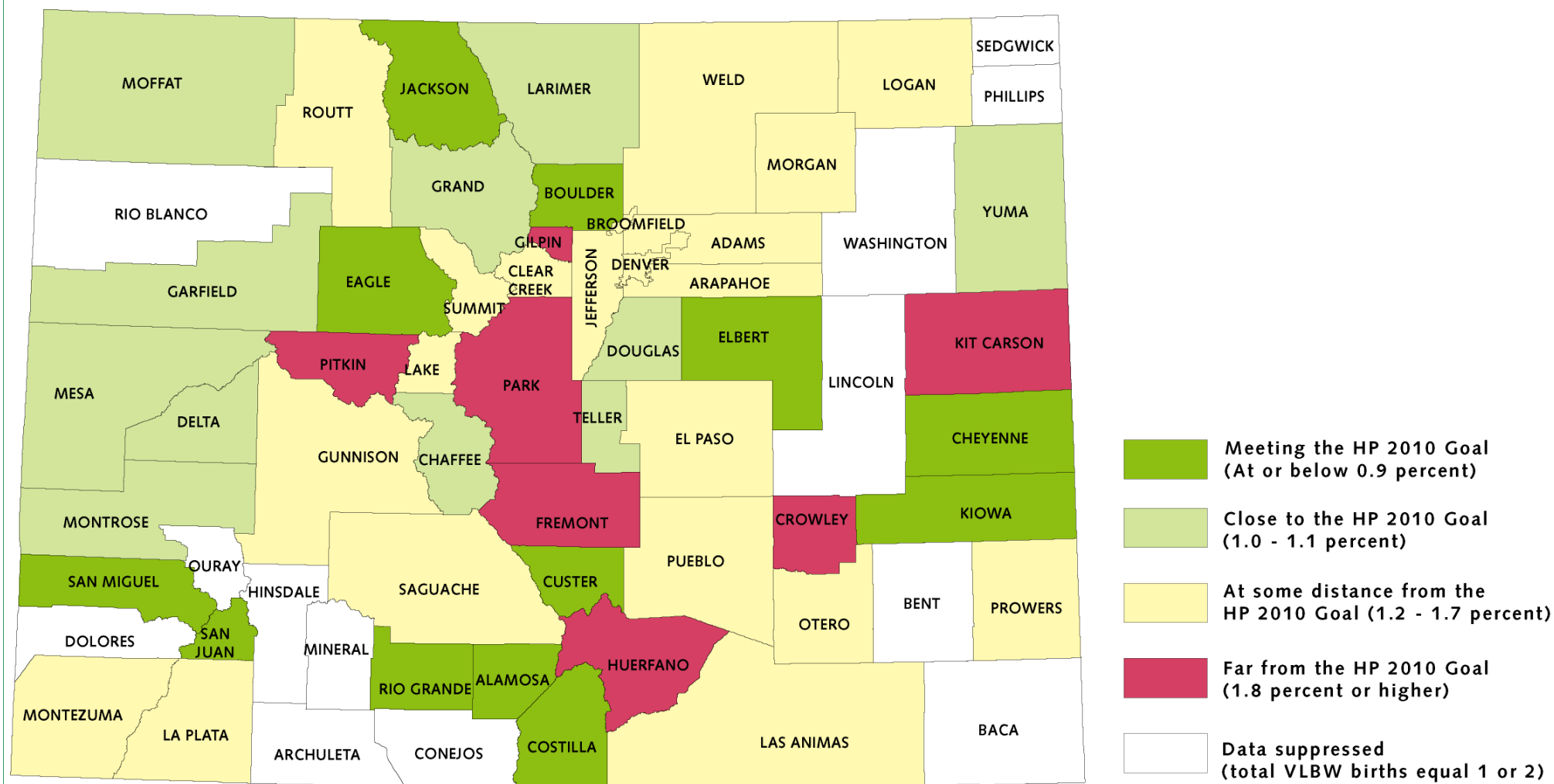


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Counties Meeting the HP 2010 Goal (at or below 0.9%):

Alamosa	Custer	Kiowa
Boulder	Eagle	Rio Grande
Cheyenne	Elbert	San Juan
Costilla	Jackson	San Miguel

Counties Close to the HP 2010 Goal (1.0% - 1.1%)

Chaffee	Grand	Montrose
Delta	Larimer	Teller
Douglas	Mesa	Yuma
Garfield	Moffat	

Counties At Some Distance from the HP 2010 Goal (1.2% - 1.7%):

Adams	Jefferson	Otero
Arapahoe	La Plata	Prowers
Broomfield (2002)	Lake	Pueblo
Clear Creek	Las Animas	Routt
Denver	Logan	Saguache
El Paso	Montezuma	Summit
Gunnison	Morgan	Weld

Counties Far from the HP 2010 Goal (1.8% or higher):

Crowley	Huerfano	Pitkin
Fremont	Kit Carson	
Gilpin	Park	

Data suppressed (total VLBW births equal 1 or 2):

Archuleta	Hinsdale	Rio Blanco
Baca	Lincoln	Sedgwick
Bent	Mineral	Washington
Conejos	Ouray	
Dolores	Phillips	