

Black/White Infant Mortality

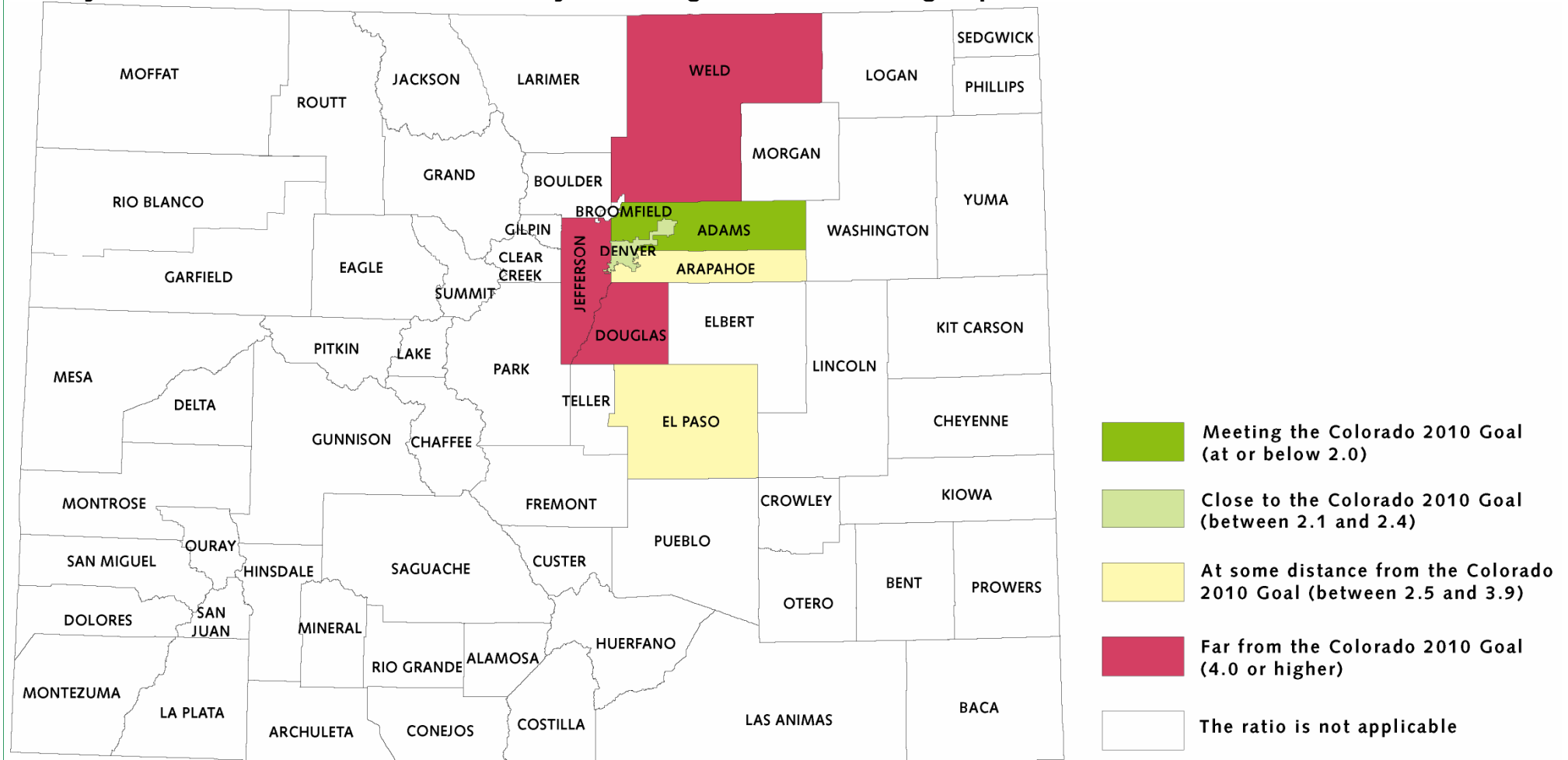
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National Outcome Measure 2

Colorado 2010 Goal: Reduce the black/white infant mortality ratio to 2.0 or below.

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County ratios are based on 2003-2007 five-year averages for each racial group. The state ratio is 2.7.



Counties categorized as close to the goal are within 20 percent of the goal; counties at some distance from the goal are more than 20 percent away but less than double the goal; and counties far from the goal are at least double the desired goal.

Source: Health Statistics and Vital Records, Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment.

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Category Definition	Percentile Range	Ratio
Meeting the Colorado 2010 Goal	100% of the goal	≤ 2.0
Close to the Colorado 2010 Goal	80% - 99% of the goal	2.1 – 2.4
At Some Distance from the Colorado 2010 Goal	51 - 79% of the goal	2.5 – 3.9
Far From the Colorado 2010 Goal	$\leq 50\%$ of the goal	≥ 4.0

Counties Meeting the Colorado 2010 Goal (at or below 2.0)

Adams

Counties Close to the Colorado 2010 Goal (2.1-2.4)

Denver

Counties At Some Distance from the Colorado 2010 Goal (2.5-3.9):

Arapahoe

El Paso

Counties Far from the Colorado 2010 Goal (4.0 or higher):

Douglas

Jefferson

Weld

The ratio is not applicable for all other Colorado counties.