

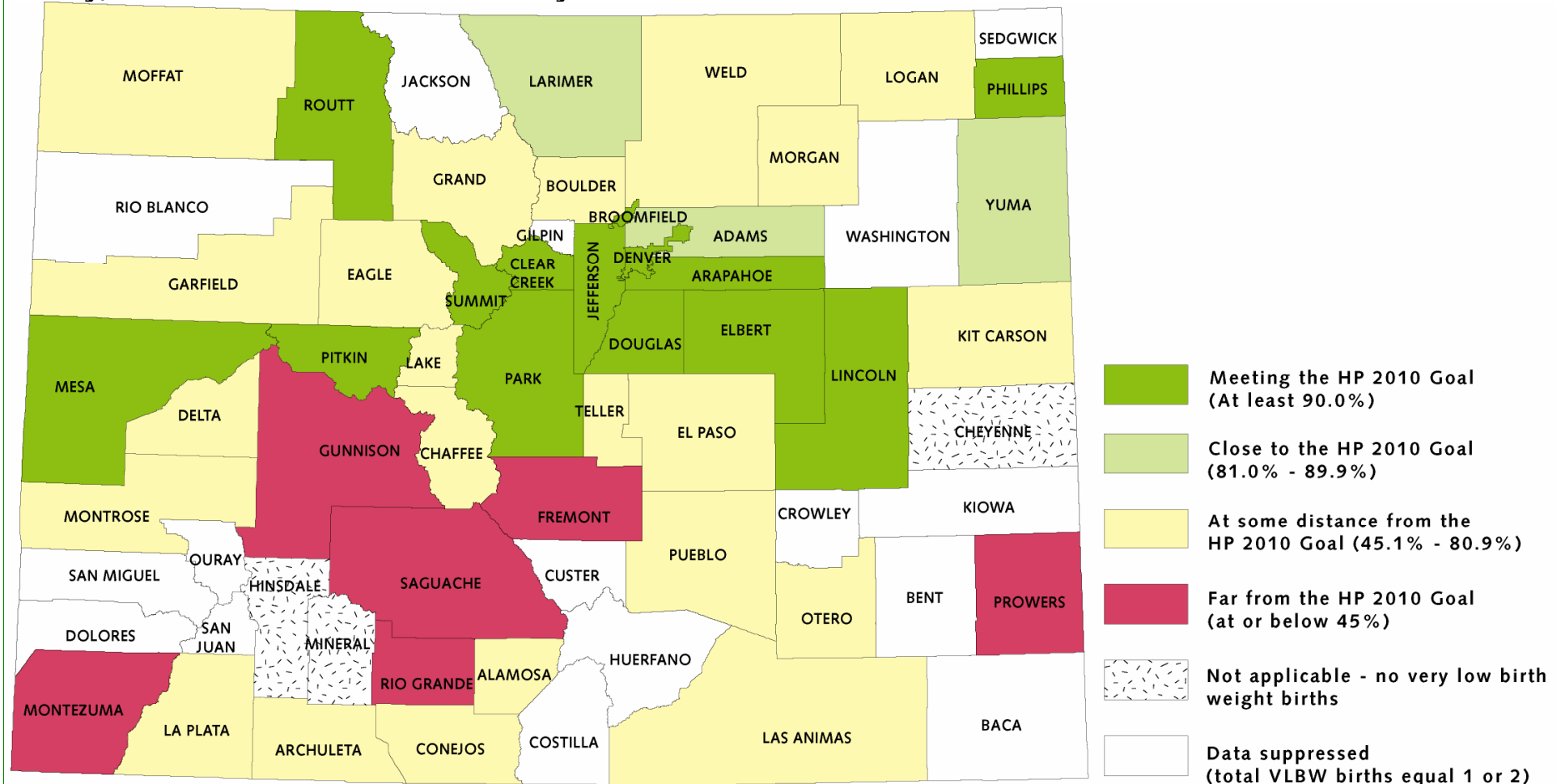
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National Performance Measure 17

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Counties categorized as close to the goal are within 90 percent of the goal; counties at some distance from the goal are between 51 percent and 89 percent of the goal; and counties far from the goal are 50 percent or less of the desired goal.

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

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Category Definition	Percentile Range	Percent (%)
Meeting the Healthy People 2010 Goal	100% of the goal	90.0
Close to the Healthy People 2010 Goal	80% - 99% of the goal	81.0-89.9
At Some Distance from the Healthy People 2010 Goal	51% - 79% of the goal	45.1-80.9
Far From the Healthy People 2010 Goal	≤ 50% of the goal	≤45.0

Counties Meeting the HP 2010 Goal (at least 90.0%):

Arapahoe	Elbert	Phillips
Broomfield	Jefferson	Pitkin
Clear Creek	Lincoln	Routt
Denver	Mesa	Summit
Douglas	Park	

Counties Close to the HP 2010 Goal (81.0% - 89.9%):

Adams	Larimer	Yuma
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Counties At Some Distance from the HP 2010 Goal (45.1% - 80.9%):

Alamosa	Garfield	Montrose
Archuleta	Grand	Morgan
Boulder	Kit Carson	Otero
Chaffee	La Plata	Pueblo
Conejos	Lake	Teller
Delta	Las Animas	Weld
Eagle	Logan	
El Paso	Moffat	

Counties Far from the HP 2010 Goal (at or below 45.0%):

Fremont	Montezuma	Rio Grande
Gunnison	Prowers	Saguache

Not Applicable—No very low birth weight births:

Cheyenne	Hinsdale	Mineral
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Data suppressed (total very low birth weight births equal 1 or 2):

Baca	Gilpin	San Juan
Bent	Huerfano	San Miguel
Costilla	Jackson	Sedgwick
Crowley	Kiowa	Washington
Custer	Ouray	
Dolores	Rio Blanco	