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Colorado County Births and Deaths 2005

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Selected birth characteristics: Colorado county residents, 2005

Characteristic	Number	Percent
Total Live Births	68,922	100.0
Age of Mother		
10-17	2,377	3.4
18-19	4,361	6.3
20-29	34,963	50.7
30+	27,205	39.5
Low Weight Births (<2,500 Grams)	6,379	9.3
Very Low Weight Births (<1,500 Grams)	902	1.3
Prenatal Care Later than 1st Trimester/No Care	13,492	19.9
No Prenatal Care	791	1.2
Preterm Births (<37 Weeks)	7,001	10.2
Education of Mother <12 Years	14,967	21.7
Live Births to Unmarried Women	18,648	27.1
Smoking During Pregnancy	5,138	7.5

** indicates one or two events in the category.*

Sums may not add to total due to cases with age of mother unknown.

Percentages are of total births, excluding cases with specific characteristics unknown.

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

Selected birth characteristics by age group of mother: Colorado county residents, 2005

Characteristic	All Ages		10-17		18-19		20-29		30+	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total Live Births	68,922	100.0	2,377	100.0	4,361	100.0	34,963	100.0	27,205	100.0
Race/Ethnicity of Mother										
White Non-Hispanic	41,432	60.1	682	28.7	1,702	39.0	19,455	55.7	19,582	72.0
White Hispanic	21,391	31.0	1,481	62.3	2,214	50.8	12,385	35.4	5,308	19.5
Black	3,123	4.5	156	6.6	308	7.1	1,780	5.1	879	3.2
Other	2,959	4.3	58	2.4	135	3.1	1,337	3.8	1,429	5.3
Low Weight Births (<2,500 Grams)	6,379	9.3	271	11.4	449	10.3	3,077	8.8	2,579	9.5
Very Low Weight Births (<1,500 Grams)	902	1.3	56	2.4	69	1.6	447	1.3	329	1.2
Prenatal Care Later than 1st Trimester/No Care	13,492	19.9	905	38.8	1,466	34.3	7,556	22.0	3,559	13.4
No Prenatal Care	791	1.2	60	2.6	87	2.0	442	1.3	199	0.7
Preterm Births (<37 Weeks)	7,001	10.2	280	11.8	435	10.0	3,387	9.7	2,895	10.6
Education of Mother <12 Years	14,967	21.7	2,052	86.3	2,080	47.7	7,922	22.7	2,913	10.7
Live Births to Unmarried Women	18,648	27.1	2,074	87.3	2,951	67.7	10,702	30.6	2,913	10.7
Smoking During Pregnancy	5,138	7.5	210	8.9	559	13.0	3,260	9.4	1,107	4.1

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

Selected birth characteristics by race/ethnicity of mother: Colorado county residents, 2005

Characteristic	White Non-Hispanic		White Hispanic		Black		Asian		American Indian	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Total Live Births	41,432	100.0	21,391	100.0	3,123	100.0	2,384	100.0	575	100.0
Age of Mother										
10-17	682	1.6	1,481	6.9	156	5.0	24	1.0	34	5.9
18-19	1,702	4.1	2,214	10.4	308	9.9	68	2.9	67	11.7
20-29	19,455	47.0	12,385	57.9	1,780	57.0	999	41.9	338	58.8
30+	19,582	47.3	5,308	24.8	879	28.1	1,293	54.2	136	23.7
Low Weight Births (<2,500 Grams)	3,729	9.0	1,873	8.8	471	15.1	254	10.7	51	8.9
Very Low Weight Births (<1,500 Grams)	498	1.2	294	1.4	76	2.4	24	1.0	10	1.7
Prenatal Care Later than 1st Trimester/No Care	5,861	14.4	6,307	30.0	741	24.5	399	17.2	182	32.9
No Prenatal Care	310	0.8	375	1.8	66	2.2	18	0.8	22	4.0
Preterm Births (<37 Weeks)	4,194	10.1	2,070	9.7	436	14.0	244	10.2	55	9.6
Education of Mother <12 Years	3,135	7.6	10,815	50.6	615	19.7	235	9.9	166	28.9
Live Births to Unmarried Women	7,573	18.3	8,777	41.0	1,648	52.8	349	14.6	296	51.5
Smoking During Pregnancy	3,753	9.1	971	4.6	280	9.1	70	3.0	64	11.3

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Percentages are of total births, excluding cases with specific characteristics unknown.

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

Live births and fertility rates by age group of mother: Colorado county residents, 2005

Age Group	Births	Population	Fertility Rate
All Ages	68,922	1007364	68.4
Teen Age Groups			
13-14	94	64,500	1.5
15-17	2,281	96,001	23.8
18-19	4,361	73,242	59.5
10-17	2,377	254,150	9.4
10-19	6,738	327,392	20.6
All Age Groups			
10-14	96	158,149	0.6
15-19	6,642	169,243	39.2
20-24	16,298	164,648	99.0
25-29	18,665	147,317	126.7
30-34	16,666	168,819	98.7
35-39	8,622	169,628	50.8
40-49	1,913	376,262	5.1

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Rates are live births per 1,000 female population in each age group.

Population data for 'all ages' are females ages 15-44.

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

Vital statistics summary: Colorado county residents, 1995, 2001-2005

	1995	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2001-2005 Annual Average
Total Population	3,811,078	4,446,919	4,521,798	4,586,782	4,653,000	4,722,460	4,586,192
Total Births							
Number	54,310	67,006	68,420	69,304	68,475	68,922	68,425
Birth Rate	14.3	15.1	15.1	15.1	14.7	14.6	14.9
General Fertility Rate	60.5	67.4	68.4	69.2	68.2	68.4	68.3
Age of Mother 10-17							
Number	2,643	2,452	2,546	2,418	2,457	2,377	2,450
Percent of Total Births	4.9	3.7	3.7	3.5	3.6	3.4	3.6
Fertility Rate	12.8	9.9	10.2	9.6	9.7	9.4	9.7
Low Weight Births (<2,500 Grams)							
Number	4,613	5,765	6,116	6,272	6,172	6,379	6,141
Percent	8.5	8.6	8.9	9.0	9.0	9.3	9.0
Prenatal Care Later Than 1st Trimester							
Number	10,461	13,342	14,121	14,138	13,296	13,492	13,678
Percent	19.6	20.2	20.9	20.7	19.8	19.9	20.3
Births to Unmarried Women							
Number	13,483	16,713	18,309	18,505	18,823	18,648	18,200
Percent	24.8	24.9	26.8	26.7	27.5	27.1	26.6
Mother's Education <12 Years							
Number	9,712	14,499	15,241	15,389	15,469	14,967	15,113
Percent	18.1	21.9	22.5	22.4	22.8	22.1	22.3
Infant Deaths							
Number	352	387	413	419	432	444	419
Rate	6.5	5.8	6.0	6.0	6.3	6.4	6.1

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Birth rates are per 1,000 total population.

General fertility rates are births per 1,000 females ages 15-44.

Fertility rates for mothers ages 10-17 are births per 1,000 females of this age group.

Infant and neonatal mortality rates are per 1,000 live births.

Other death rates are per 100,000 population.

Age-adjusted rates are adjusted to the 2000 U.S. population using the direct method applied to 10-year age groups.

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Vital statistics summary: Colorado county residents, 1995, 2001-2005

	1995	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2001-2005 Annual Average
Neonatal Deaths							
Number	219	288	273	304	304	329	300
Rate	4.0	4.3	4.0	4.4	4.4	4.8	4.4
Total Deaths							
Number	24,898	28,243	29,157	29,410	28,227	29,521	28,912
Crude Rate	653.3	635.1	644.8	641.2	606.6	625.1	630.4
Age-Adjusted Rate	825.8	795.8	806.2	795.6	747.0	766.3	781.7
Cardiovascular Disease							
Number	8,124	9,126	9,325	9,228	8,652	8,845	9,035
Age-Adjusted Rate	283.0	269.0	269.2	261.3	239.8	240.4	255.6
Heart Disease							
Number	6,420	6,271	6,403	6,483	6,047	6,282	6,297
Age-Adjusted Rate	222.4	183.1	183.2	181.9	166.0	169.4	176.5
Cerebrovascular Disease							
Number	1,596	1,821	1,907	1,806	1,633	1,595	1,752
Age-Adjusted Rate	56.8	54.7	55.9	52.1	45.8	44.1	50.4
Malignant Neoplasms							
Number	5,454	6,134	6,372	6,400	6,185	6,367	6,292
Age-Adjusted Rate	178.3	170.6	173.8	169.5	160.4	160.9	166.9
Lung Cancer							
Number	1,280	1,484	1,544	1,541	1,499	1,523	1,518
Age-Adjusted Rate	41.6	41.8	42.5	41.4	39.3	38.9	40.7
Breast Cancer							
Number	486	468	495	509	511	524	501

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Vital statistics summary: Colorado county residents, 1995, 2001-2005

	1995	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2001-2005 Annual Average
Age-Adjusted Rate	15.6	12.4	12.8	12.9	12.5	12.6	12.6
Total Unintentional Injuries							
Number	1,381	1,702	1,803	1,783	1,791	1,928	1,801
Age-Adjusted Rate	39.0	41.2	42.8	41.8	41.7	43.7	42.3
Motor Vehicle							
Number	657	746	771	691	691	662	712
Age-Adjusted Rate	17.3	16.8	17.2	15.2	14.9	13.9	15.6
Other Unintentional Injuries							
Number	724	956	1,032	1,092	1,100	1,266	1,089
Age-Adjusted Rate	21.6	24.3	25.7	26.6	26.7	29.8	26.7
Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases							
Number	1,582	1,829	1,847	1,925	1,899	1,908	1,882
Age-Adjusted Rate	54.4	53.9	53.3	54.3	52.6	51.9	53.2
Suicide							
Number	646	717	724	718	792	795	749
Age-Adjusted Rate	17.2	16.3	16.0	15.7	16.9	16.9	16.4
Homicide and Legal Intervention							
Number	209	172	194	202	231	190	198
Age-Adjusted Rate	5.3	3.7	4.2	4.3	4.8	3.9	4.2
Work-Related Injury							
Number	94	95	95	81	82	93	89
Age-Adjusted Rate	2.5	2.1	2.1	1.7	1.7	1.9	1.9

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

Deaths from selected causes by race/ethnicity: Colorado county residents, 2005

Cause of Death	All Races		White Non-Hispanic		White Hispanic		Black		Asian		American Indian	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Total	29,521	100.0	24,769	100.0	3,139	100.0	1,075	100.0	329	100.0	160	100.0
Cardiovascular Disease	8,845	30.0	7,611	30.7	782	24.9	323	30.0	90	27.4	31	19.4
Heart Disease	6,282	21.3	5,435	21.9	533	17.0	222	20.7	59	17.9	26	16.3
Cerebrovascular Disease	1,595	5.4	1,354	5.5	157	5.0	59	5.5	21	6.4	3	1.9
Atherosclerosis	422	1.4	366	1.5	36	1.1	14	1.3	4	1.2	*	*
Malignant Neoplasms	6,367	21.6	5,440	22.0	564	18.0	228	21.2	103	31.3	29	18.1
Lung Cancer	1,523	5.2	1,340	5.4	99	3.2	46	4.3	30	9.1	8	5.0
Breast Cancer	524	1.8	463	1.9	35	1.1	20	1.9	5	1.5	*	*
Chronic Lower Respiratory Disease	1,908	6.5	1,733	7.0	121	3.9	38	3.5	8	2.4	6	3.8
Unintentional Injuries	1,928	6.5	1,493	6.0	317	10.1	63	5.9	20	6.1	19	11.9
Motor Vehicle	662	2.2	476	1.9	138	4.4	23	2.1	6	1.8	7	4.4
Other Unintentional Injuries	1,266	4.3	1,017	4.1	179	5.7	40	3.7	14	4.3	12	7.5
Pneumonia and Influenza	664	2.2	578	2.3	49	1.6	23	2.1	8	2.4	3	1.9
Suicide	795	2.7	678	2.7	83	2.6	22	2.0	8	2.4	3	1.9
Diabetes Mellitus	752	2.5	547	2.2	143	4.6	30	2.8	15	4.6	16	10.0
HIV Infection	92	0.3	59	0.2	18	0.6	15	1.4	0	0.0	0	0.0
Chronic Liver Disease and Cirrhosis	434	1.5	285	1.2	123	3.9	11	1.0	*	*	12	7.5
Alzheimer's Disease	1,062	3.6	972	3.9	53	1.7	23	2.1	12	3.6	*	*
Nephritis, Nephrosis, Nephrotic Syndrome	465	1.6	369	1.5	66	2.1	21	2.0	7	2.1	*	*
Homicide and Legal Intervention	190	0.6	67	0.3	70	2.2	40	3.7	6	1.8	5	3.1
Septicemia	278	0.9	227	0.9	35	1.1	12	1.1	*	*	*	*
Congenital Anomalies	185	0.6	119	0.5	50	1.6	13	1.2	*	*	*	*
Perinatal Period Conditions	243	0.8	94	0.4	107	3.4	34	3.2	7	2.1	*	*
All Other	5,313	18.0	4,497	18.2	558	17.8	179	16.7	39	11.9	29	18.1
Injury by Firearm	533	1.8	390	1.6	90	2.9	42	3.9	6	1.8	4	2.5

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Percentages are of total deaths of each race/ethnicity category.

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

Deaths from selected causes by race/ethnicity: Colorado county residents, 2005

Cause of Death	All Races		White Non-Hispanic		White Hispanic		Black		Asian		American Indian	
	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%	N	%
Drug-Induced Deaths	633	2.1	491	2.0	104	3.3	29	2.7	0	0.0	8	5.0
Alcohol-Induced Deaths	493	1.7	358	1.4	105	3.3	16	1.5	*	*	10	6.3
Work-Related Injury	93	0.3	70	0.3	14	0.4	5	0.5	*	*	*	*

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

Deaths and age-specific death rates: Colorado county residents, 2005

Age Group	Deaths	Population	Age-Specific Death Rate
All Ages	29,521	4,722,460	6.3
Infant	444	68,922	6.4
Neonatal	329	68,922	4.8
1-4	83	278,006	0.3
5-9	49	317,863	0.2
10-14	57	324,445	0.2
15-19	192	348,573	0.6
20-24	351	347,538	1.0
25-29	256	307,308	0.8
30-34	332	354,438	0.9
35-39	461	351,159	1.3
40-44	696	379,144	1.8
45-49	1,113	378,106	2.9
50-54	1,412	338,367	4.2
55-59	1,569	279,191	5.6
60-64	1,661	191,882	8.7
65-69	1,916	134,927	14.2
70-74	2,582	114,618	22.5
75-79	3,553	93,432	38.0
80-84	4,369	62,075	70.4
85+	8,422	52,248	161.2
1-14	189	920,315	0.2
15-24	543	696,111	0.8
25-64	7,500	2,579,595	2.9
65+	20,842	457,300	45.6

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 Infant death is death in the first year of life. Neonatal death is death occurring prior to the 28th day of life.
 Infant and neonatal mortality rates are per 1,000 live births. Other death rates are per 1,000 population of the age group.
 Population figures for infant and neonatal groups are live births.
 Source: Health Statistics Section, Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment.*

Deaths and age-specific death rates from selected causes: Colorado county residents, 2005

Cause of Death	<1		1-14		15-24		25-44		45-64		65+	
	N	Rate	N	Rate	N	Rate	N	Rate	N	Rate	N	Rate
All Causes	444	6.4	189	0.2	543	0.8	1,745	1.3	5,755	4.8	20,842	45.6
Cardiovascular Disease	7	0.1	10	0.0	14	0.0	218	0.2	1,270	1.1	7,326	16.0
Heart Disease	6	0.1	4	0.0	11	0.0	161	0.1	1,011	0.9	5,089	11.1
Cerebrovascular Disease	*	*	4	0.0	3	0.0	37	0.0	169	0.1	1,381	3.0
Atherosclerosis	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	*	*	17	0.0	403	0.9
Malignant Neoplasms	*	*	29	0.0	29	0.0	202	0.1	1,772	1.5	4,334	9.5
Lung Cancer	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	21	0.0	391	0.3	1,111	2.4
Breast Cancer	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	35	0.0	204	0.2	285	0.6
Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	*	*	*	*	3	0.0	13	0.0	228	0.2	1,662	3.6
Unintentional Injuries	14	0.2	52	0.1	241	0.3	493	0.4	539	0.5	587	1.3
Motor Vehicle	3	0.0	29	0.0	170	0.2	209	0.2	182	0.2	69	0.2
Other Unintentional Injuries	11	0.2	23	0.0	71	0.1	284	0.2	357	0.3	518	1.1
Pneumonia and Influenza	*	*	*	*	*	*	20	0.0	86	0.1	554	1.2
Suicide	0	0.0	7	0.0	134	0.2	277	0.2	266	0.2	111	0.2
Diabetes Mellitus	0	0.0	0	0.0	3	0.0	29	0.0	155	0.1	565	1.2
HIV Infection	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	43	0.0	47	0.0	*	*
Chronic Liver Disease and Cirrhosis	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	52	0.0	263	0.2	119	0.3
Alzheimer's Disease	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	9	0.0	1,053	2.3
Nephritis, Nephrosis, Nephrotic Syndrome	0	0.0	*	*	*	*	5	0.0	52	0.0	405	0.9
Homicide and Legal Intervention	3	0.0	15	0.0	48	0.1	85	0.1	31	0.0	8	0.0
Septicemia	6	0.1	*	*	*	*	9	0.0	60	0.1	200	0.4
Congenital Anomalies	100	1.5	21	0.0	9	0.0	12	0.0	25	0.0	18	0.0
Perinatal Period Conditions	243	3.5	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
All Other	68	1.0	49	0.1	58	0.1	287	0.2	952	0.8	3,898	8.5
Injury by Firearm	0	0.0	11	0.0	98	0.1	192	0.1	152	0.1	80	0.2

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Infant (<1 year) mortality rates are per 1,000 live births.

Other rates are deaths per 1,000 population of the age group.

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

Deaths and age-specific death rates from selected causes: Colorado county residents, 2005

Cause of Death	<1		1-14		15-24		25-44		45-64		65+	
	N	Rate	N	Rate	N	Rate	N	Rate	N	Rate	N	Rate
Drug-Induced Deaths	*	*	4	0.0	58	0.1	249	0.2	280	0.2	41	0.1
Alcohol-Induced Deaths	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	94	0.1	318	0.3	81	0.2
Work-Related Injury	0	0.0	0	0.0	10	0.0	36	0.0	41	0.0	6	0.0

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Other rates are deaths per 1,000 population of the age group.

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

**Deaths, crude death rates and age-adjusted death rates with 95% confidence limits from selected causes:
Colorado county residents, 2005**

Cause of Death	N	Rate	Age-Adjusted Rate	Lower Limit	Upper Limit
All Causes	29,521	625.1	766.4	757.9	774.9
Cardiovascular Disease	8,845	187.3	240.4	235.4	245.4
Heart Disease	6,282	133.0	169.4	165.2	173.5
Cerebrovascular Disease	1,595	33.8	44.1	41.9	46.2
Atherosclerosis	422	8.9	12.1	11.0	13.3
Malignant Neoplasms	6,367	134.8	160.9	156.9	164.9
Lung Cancer	1,523	32.3	38.9	36.9	40.8
Breast Cancer	524	11.1	12.6	11.5	13.7
Chronic Lower Respiratory Diseases	1,908	40.4	51.9	49.5	54.2
Unintentional Injuries	1,928	40.8	43.8	41.8	45.8
Motor Vehicle	662	14.0	13.9	12.8	14.9
Other Unintentional Injuries	1,224	25.9	29.0	27.3	30.6
Pneumonia and Influenza	664	14.1	18.2	16.8	19.6
Suicide	795	16.8	16.9	15.7	18.1
Diabetes Mellitus	752	15.9	19.6	18.2	21.0
HIV Infection	92	1.9	1.9	1.5	2.3
Chronic Liver Disease and Cirrhosis	434	9.2	9.3	8.5	10.2
Alzheimer's Disease	1,062	22.5	31.0	29.1	32.8
Nephritis, Nephrosis, Nephrotic Syndrome	465	9.8	12.8	11.6	13.9
Homicide and Legal Intervention	190	4.0	3.9	3.4	4.5
Septicemia	278	5.9	7.2	6.3	8.1
Congenital Anomalies	185	3.9	3.9	3.3	4.4
Perinatal Period Conditions	243	5.1	4.9	4.2	5.5
All Other	5,313	112.5	140.0	136.2	143.8

** indicates one or two events in the category.*

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Crude death rates are calculated without age-adjustment.

Age-adjusted rates are adjusted to the 2000 U.S. standard population using the direct method applied to 10-year age groups.

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

**Deaths, crude death rates and age-adjusted death rates with 95% confidence limits from selected causes:
Colorado county residents, 2005**

Cause of Death	N	Rate	Age-Adjusted Rate	Lower Limit	Upper Limit
Injury by Firearm	533	11.3	11.4	10.4	12.4
Drug-Induced Deaths	633	13.4	13.0	12.0	14.1
Alcohol-Induced Deaths	493	10.4	10.2	9.3	11.2
Work-Related Injury	93	2.0	1.9	1.5	2.3

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