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INFORMATION FOR MOTORISTS

COLORADO, the Centennial State, was admitted to the Union in 1876. It is the largest state in area and the highest in average elevation.

THE HIGHEST ELEVATION in Colorado is at Mount Elbert in Lake county, rising 14,333 feet above sea level. The peak, near the center of the state, is one of 55 "fourteens" rising above 14,000 feet. America's highest paved auto road climbs 14,264 feet to the top of Mount Evans and was resurfaced in autumn 1983. The state's lowest elevation is 3,350 feet near Holly.

THE CONTINENTAL DIVIDE running in a north to south direction separates the Atlantic Ocean drainage from the Pacific Ocean drainage.

SPECTACULAR SCENERY provides backdrops for National and state parks and their four-season beauty. In the absence of black-and-white signs, speed limits are 20 mph on narrow, winding mountain highways and 40 mph on open mountain highways. Black-and-yellow signs show advance speeds for any curves or other locations where extra driving care is needed. Drivers involved in traffic accidents are required by law to exchange license and registration information and to render reasonable assistance to injured persons. Local police are to be notified within cities or towns. Outside incorporated cities and towns, accidents are to be reported to the Colorado State Patrol or county sheriff immediately.

TINTED WINDOWS are prohibited on Colorado-registered vehicles. A 1984 law bans the "windshield or any other window to the left or right of the driver covered with complete or partial tinting. On a four-lane divided highway, a driver is required to flash red lights only when traveling in the same direction as the school bus. In addition to the flashing red lights, school buses display a red signal arm in the shape of an octagon extended from the left side of the bus.

CHILD SAFETY SEATS are required of residents who transport children who are under four years old or weigh less than 40 pounds. A Bureau of Motor Vehicle Safety Bureau has approved child safety seats in private, non-commercial vehicles.

A TIGHTLY CLOSED AUTOMOBILE can be a particular hazard in high altitude where the lack of oxygen causes motor vehicles to emit more carbon monoxide than at sea level. Yet, the human body can tolerate much less carbon monoxide at high altitude because of the lack of oxygen. The presence of carbon monoxide is not normally detected by the motorist until critical levels have developed. An air vent should be kept slightly open at all times, both summer and winter. If you get a headache or become drowsy, open all windows and breathe fresh air for several minutes. The same advice applies when turning the motor in a parked vehicle.

PLEASE KEEP OUR HIGHWAYS CLEAN by using a litterbag in your vehicle and by depositing trash in roadside litter barrels provided.

LEGEND

PRINCIPAL THROUGH HIGHWAYS

- MULTILANE DIVIDED ACCESS FULL-CONTROLLED
- MULTILANE DIVIDED
- 2 LANE PAVED
- SURFACE TREATED
- GRAVEL (Local inquiry should be made concerning road conditions)
- UNIMPROVED

CONNECTING COUNTY ROADS

- MULTILANE DIVIDED
- 2 LANE PAVED
- SURFACE TREATED
- GRAVEL (Local inquiry should be made concerning road conditions)
- UNIMPROVED

ACCESS POINTS

- FULL INTERCHANGE
- PARTIAL INTERCHANGE
- GRADE SEPARATION
- ACCESS DIVIDED
- INTERCHANGE NUMBER (Shown on route only)
- INTERSTATE AND STATE BUSINESS ROUTE (The State Highway number is the same as the lowest U.S. number on the route)
- UNITED STATES AND STATE HOSPITAL AND EMERGENCY DEPT.
- POINTS OF INTEREST
- MOUNTAIN PASSES
- CONTINENTAL DIVIDE
- SUPERVISOR QUARTERS
- REST AREAS
- HANDICAPPED FACILITIES
- ROADSIDE PARKS
- CAMPGROUNDS-PUBLIC
- PASSENGER TRAIN ROUTES
- SKI AREA

MILEAGE

- ACCUMULATED MILEAGE
- PARK AND RIDE
- U.S. BUSINESS ROUTES
- STATE

POPULATION OF CITIES AND MINOR NAMED PLACES

50,000 AND OVER	10,000 - 50,000	5,000 - 10,000
25,000 - 50,000	1,000 - 5,000	0 - 1,000
10,000 - 25,000		

POPULATION OF CITIES AND MINOR NAMED PLACES

City	Pop. 1980	Pop. 1970	Pop. 1960	Pop. 1950	Pop. 1940	Pop. 1930	Pop. 1920	Pop. 1910	Pop. 1900
Alamosa	12,207	12,071	12,071	12,071	12,071	12,071	12,071	12,071	12,071
Aspen	5,900	5,900	5,900	5,900	5,900	5,900	5,900	5,900	5,900
Avon	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500
Boulder	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000
Colorado Springs	375,000	375,000	375,000	375,000	375,000	375,000	375,000	375,000	375,000
Denver	725,000	725,000	725,000	725,000	725,000	725,000	725,000	725,000	725,000
Fort Collins	125,000	125,000	125,000	125,000	125,000	125,000	125,000	125,000	125,000
Greeley	45,000	45,000	45,000	45,000	45,000	45,000	45,000	45,000	45,000
Houston	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000
Monte Vista	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500
Pueblo	115,000	115,000	115,000	115,000	115,000	115,000	115,000	115,000	115,000
Steamboat	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500
Timber Lake	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500
Windsor	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500

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Population shown for incorporated places. Elevations are shown in feet. County seat in bold letters. Population information from 1980 Census, issued October 1981.

County	Area	Pop. 1980	Pop. 1970	Pop. 1960	Pop. 1950	Pop. 1940	Pop. 1930	Pop. 1920	Pop. 1910	Pop. 1900
Adams	1,045	225,000	225,000	225,000	225,000	225,000	225,000	225,000	225,000	225,000
Alamosa	1,045	12,207	12,071	12,071	12,071	12,071	12,071	12,071	12,071	12,071
Aspen	1,045	5,900	5,900	5,900	5,900	5,900	5,900	5,900	5,900	5,900
Avon	1,045	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500
Boulder	1,045	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000	100,000
Colorado Springs	1,045	375,000	375,000	375,000	375,000	375,000	375,000	375,000	375,000	375,000
Denver	1,045	725,000	725,000	725,000	725,000	725,000	725,000	725,000	725,000	725,000
Fort Collins	1,045	125,000	125,000	125,000	125,000	125,000	125,000	125,000	125,000	125,000
Greeley	1,045	45,000	45,000	45,000	45,000	45,000	45,000	45,000	45,000	45,000
Houston	1,045	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000
Monte Vista	1,045	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500
Pueblo	1,045	115,000	115,000	115,000	115,000	115,000	115,000	115,000	115,000	115,000
Steamboat	1,045	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500
Timber Lake	1,045	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500
Windsor	1,045	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500	1,500

STATE ANIMAL (Big Horn Sheep)

STATE BIRD (Lark Bunting)

STATE FISH (Sage Strout)

STATE FLAG

STATE GEM (Aquamarine)

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COLORADO STATE PATROL HEADQUARTERS

Location	Phone
1-25 & East	639-1234
Denver & West	639-1111
State Headquarters (Denver)	737-8422
Emergencies	737-9475
District No. 1 (Aurora)	344-2536
Broomfield	569-3660
Burlington	346-8703
Castle Rock	688-3115
Limón	775-2364
Littleton	794-3499
District No. 2 (Pueblo)	544-2424
"Colorado Springs"	635-5881
Trinidad	384-2562
Windsor	634-4822
Wiggins	634-4822
Wray	213-3116
District No. 3 (Greeley)	646-2227
"Canon City"	275-5550
District No. 4 (Fort Collins)	235-1151
Fort Collins	488-4200
District No. 5 (Durango)	522-6893
"Sterling"	624-6001
District No. 6 (Gunnison)	328-6443
Gunnison	328-6443
District No. 7 (Silverton)	247-4722
Windsor	634-4822
Wray	213-3116
District No. 8 (Monte Vista)	585-8454
"Monte Vista"	249-3292
District No. 9 (Durango)	273-6001
Frisco	688-3133
"Hot Sulphur Springs"	567-2011
Windsor	634-4822
Wray	213-3116

• Road Conditions Information: 639-1234
 • 24-hour Emergency: 737-9475
 • Open 24 hours every day: 735-3900