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## COLORADO EMPLOYMENT SITUATION March 2010

### Labor Force<sup>[1]</sup>

Colorado's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate increased two-tenths of one percentage point to 7.9 percent in March, according to Donald J. Mares, Executive Director of the Colorado Department of Labor and Employment. "While results for March are mixed, the Colorado job market continues to stabilize," said Mares. "Improving conditions are encouraging Coloradans to return to the labor force, contributing to the increase in the unemployment rate," he continued. Last March the unemployment rate was 7.7 percent.

The number of working Coloradans increased 1,600 over the month to 2,446,200 and the civilian labor force increased 8,400 to 2,656,000. The number of residents unsuccessfully looking for work increased 6,700 over the month to 209,800. Last March, total employment was 2,523,800, the civilian labor force was 2,735,500 and the number of unemployed was 211,700. Total employment has declined 77,600 since March 2009 and the over-the-year decline in the number of unemployed residents is the first since October 2007.

The unemployment rate (not seasonally adjusted) increased in 39 of Colorado's 64 counties, declined in 19 and held steady in 6. The lowest rate was 3.2 percent in Cheyenne County and the highest was 19.9 percent in Dolores County. In March 2009, the unemployment rate increased in 53 counties, declined in 9 and remained unchanged in 2. Last year, the lowest rate was 3.5 percent in Cheyenne County and the highest was 15.1 percent in Dolores County.

## **Wage and Salary Employment**<sup>[ii]</sup>

The monthly survey of Colorado business establishments indicates the number of nonfarm wage and salary jobs decreased 1,600 in March to 2,202,900.

Employment increased in three of Colorado's eleven major industry sectors over the month. Government added 2,300 jobs, driven by an employment increase of 1,900 in Federal Government due primarily to hiring of temporary workers for the 2010 Census. Professional and business services increased 1,600, driven by an increase in the administration and support component, and financial activities added 200. Construction declined 2,600, while education and health services decreased 700. Other losses included trade, transportation and utilities (600), other services (500), mining and logging (400), leisure and hospitality (400), information (300) and manufacturing (200).

Nonfarm payroll employment decreased 3.1 percent over the year, or 69,200, from the March 2009 level of 2,272,100.

Employment in two of Colorado's eleven major industry sectors increased over the year. Government added 5,300 jobs with the gain attributable to increased federal employment for the 2010 Census and increased employment in state and local education. Employment in education and health services increased 2,400. The remaining nine industry sectors all declined over the year. Employment in construction, down 28,600, experienced the largest decline of all industry sectors. Trade, transportation, and utilities and manufacturing declined 10,800 and 8,800, respectively. Professional and business services was down 8,300 and financial activities 6,100. Other losses included leisure and hospitality (5,400), mining and logging (4,100), information (3,800) and other services (1,000).

## **National**<sup>[iii]</sup>

The Bureau of Labor Statistics reported that nonfarm payroll employment increased 162,000 in March, and the unemployment rate held at 9.7 percent. This employment increase was the largest in the past three years, and the third in the past five months. Temporary help services and health care continued to add jobs over the month. Employment in Federal government also rose, reflecting the hiring of temporary workers for Census 2010. Employment continued to decline in financial activities and information.

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<sup>[ii]</sup> Labor force estimates are calculated from the household survey results, using the Bureau of Labor Statistics Local Area Unemployment Statistics methods. The unadjusted statewide and county level

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estimates are available at the following link:

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<sup>(ii)</sup> Wage and salary employment estimates are calculated from the establishment survey results, using the Bureau of Labor Statistics Current Employment Statistics methods. The statewide adjusted and unadjusted, and the unadjusted MSA estimates are available at the following link:

<http://lmigateway.coworkforce.com/lmigateway/gsipub/index.asp?docid=364>

<sup>(iii)</sup> The Bureau of Labor Statistics homepage is available at the following link: <http://www.bls.gov/>

**Attachments:**

Labor Force Summary for March 2010 (Excel spreadsheet)

County-by-County Labor Force Data for March 2010 (Excel spreadsheet)

**LABOR FORCE SUMMARY  
COLORADO**

Preliminary Estimates for March 2010 (in thousands)

<b>LABOR FORCE DATA</b>					
<b>SEASONALLY ADJUSTED*</b>				<b>Change from last:</b>	
	<b>Mar-10</b>	<b>Feb-10</b>	<b>Mar-09</b>	<b>Month</b>	<b>Year</b>
Total Civilian Labor Force	2,656.0	2,647.7	2,735.5	8.4	-79.5
Unemployment	209.8	203.1	211.7	6.7	-1.9
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.9	7.7	7.7	--	--
Employment	2,446.2	2,444.6	2,523.8	1.6	-77.5
<b>UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:</b>					
	<b>Mar-10</b>	<b>Feb-10</b>	<b>Mar-09</b>	<b>Month</b>	<b>Year</b>
Total Civilian Labor Force	2,645.4	2,637.0	2,711.3	8.4	-66.0
Unemployment	221.7	219.0	222.8	2.7	-1.1
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.4	8.3	8.2	--	--
Employment	2,423.6	2,418.0	2,488.5	5.6	-64.9

<b>WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA</b>					
<b>SEASONALLY ADJUSTED:</b>	<b>Mar-10</b>	<b>Feb-10</b>	<b>Mar-09</b>	<b>Month</b>	<b>Year</b>
Mining & Logging	22.5	22.9	26.6	-0.4	-4.1
Construction	112.0	114.6	140.6	-2.6	-28.6
Manufacturing	124.4	124.6	133.2	-0.2	-8.8
Trade, Transportation, & Utilities	397.9	398.5	408.7	-0.6	-10.8
Information	72.2	72.5	76.0	-0.3	-3.8
Financial Activities	143.1	142.9	149.2	0.2	-6.1
Professional & Business Services	327.4	325.8	335.7	1.6	-8.3
Educational & Health Services	257.9	258.6	255.5	-0.7	2.4
Leisure & Hospitality	257.5	257.9	262.9	-0.4	-5.4
Other Services	93.4	93.9	94.4	-0.5	-1.0
Government	394.6	392.3	389.3	2.3	5.3
<b>TOTAL NONAG</b>	<b>2,202.9</b>	<b>2,204.5</b>	<b>2,272.1</b>	<b>-1.6</b>	<b>-69.2</b>
Labor Disputants	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

<b>WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA</b>					
<b>UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:</b>	<b>Mar-10</b>	<b>Feb-10</b>	<b>Mar-09</b>	<b>Month</b>	<b>Year</b>
Mining & Logging	22.4	22.8	26.0	-0.4	-3.6
Construction	106.1	106.3	133.3	-0.2	-27.2
Manufacturing	123.5	124.2	132.3	-0.7	-8.8
Trade, Transportation, & Utilities	392.0	391.4	403.2	0.6	-11.2
Information	71.9	72.1	76.0	-0.2	-4.1
Financial Activities	142.5	142.0	149.1	0.5	-6.6
Professional & Business Services	318.1	314.2	329.2	3.9	-11.1
Educational & Health Services	258.0	258.5	256.0	-0.5	2.0
Leisure & Hospitality	259.7	257.1	263.5	2.6	-3.8
Other Services	93.6	93.9	94.6	-0.3	-1.0
Government	400.4	396.3	394.7	4.1	5.7

<b>TOTAL NONAG</b>	2,188.2	2,178.8	2,257.9	9.4	-69.7
<b>Labor Disputants</b>	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

**LABOR FORCE SUMMARY**  
**COLORADO METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS**

Preliminary Estimates for March 2010 (in thousands)

**DENVER-AURORA-BROOMFIELD MSA** (Adams, Arapahoe, Broomfield, Clear Creek, Denver, Douglas, Elbert, Gilpin, Jefferson, and Park counties)

<b>LABOR FORCE DATA</b>					
<b>SEASONALLY ADJUSTED*</b>				<b>Change from last:</b>	
	<b>Mar-10</b>	<b>Feb-10</b>	<b>Mar-09</b>	<b>Month</b>	<b>Year</b>
<b>Total Civilian Labor Force</b>	1,366.3	1,356.9	1,396.5	9.4	-30.2
<b>Unemployment</b>	110.1	109.4	113.0	0.7	-2.9
<b>Unemployment Rate (%)</b>	8.1	8.1	8.1	--	--
<b>Employment</b>	1,256.2	1,247.5	1,283.5	8.7	-27.3
<b>WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA</b>					
<b>TOTAL NONAG</b>	1,176.4	1,176.4	1,210.5	0.0	-34.1
<b>UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:</b>					
				<b>Change from last:</b>	
	<b>Mar-10</b>	<b>Feb-10</b>	<b>Mar-09</b>	<b>Month</b>	<b>Year</b>
<b>Total Civilian Labor Force</b>	1,354.7	1,347.0	1,384.9	7.7	-30.2
<b>Unemployment</b>	114.5	112.9	117.4	1.6	-2.9
<b>Unemployment Rate (%)</b>	8.5	8.4	8.5	--	--
<b>Employment</b>	1,240.2	1,234.1	1,267.5	6.1	-27.3
<b>WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA</b>					
<b>TOTAL NONAG</b>	1,162.2	1,155.5	1,197.5	6.7	-35.3

**BOULDER-LONGMONT MSA** (Boulder County)

<b>LABOR FORCE DATA</b>					
<b>SEASONALLY ADJUSTED*</b>				<b>Change from last:</b>	
	<b>Mar-10</b>	<b>Feb-10</b>	<b>Mar-09</b>	<b>Month</b>	<b>Year</b>
<b>Total Civilian Labor Force</b>	172.6	172.6	175.8	-0.1	-3.3
<b>Unemployment</b>	10.6	10.9	11.5	-0.3	-0.9
<b>Unemployment Rate (%)</b>	6.1	6.3	6.5	--	--
<b>Employment</b>	161.9	161.7	164.3	0.2	-2.4
<b>WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA</b>					
<b>TOTAL NONAG</b>	157.8	158.3	161.2	-0.5	-3.4
<b>UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:</b>					
				<b>Change from last:</b>	
	<b>Mar-10</b>	<b>Feb-10</b>	<b>Mar-09</b>	<b>Month</b>	<b>Year</b>
<b>Total Civilian Labor Force</b>	172.1	172.3	175.4	-0.1	-3.2
<b>Unemployment</b>	11.0	11.2	11.9	-0.2	-0.9
<b>Unemployment Rate (%)</b>	6.4	6.5	6.8	--	--
<b>Employment</b>	161.1	161.1	163.5	0.0	-2.4

<u>WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA</u>					
TOTAL NONAG	157.8	157.8	161.1	0.0	-3.3

**COLORADO SPRINGS MSA (El Paso and Teller counties)**

<u>LABOR FORCE DATA</u>					
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED*				Change from last:	
	Mar-10	Feb-10	Mar-09	Month	Year
Total Civilian Labor Force	309.2	307.4	314.8	1.9	-5.6
Unemployment	26.5	26.4	26.9	0.1	-0.4
Unemployment Rate (%)	8.6	8.6	8.5	--	--
Employment	282.7	281.0	287.9	1.7	-5.2
<u>WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA</u>					
TOTAL NONAG	242.7	243.4	250.9	-0.7	-8.2
<u>UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:</u>					
				Change from last:	
	Mar-10	Feb-10	Mar-09	Month	Year
Total Civilian Labor Force	304.9	303.7	310.5	1.2	-5.6
Unemployment	27.4	27.0	27.8	0.4	-0.4
Unemployment Rate (%)	9.0	8.9	9.0	--	--
Employment	277.5	276.6	282.7	0.9	-5.2
<u>WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA</u>					
TOTAL NONAG	240.4	240.1	248.1	0.3	-7.7

**FT. COLLINS-LOVELAND MSA (Larimer County)**

<u>LABOR FORCE DATA</u>					
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED*				Change from last:	
	Mar-10	Feb-10	Mar-09	Month	Year
Total Civilian Labor Force	173.5	173.6	176.5	-0.1	-3.0
Unemployment	11.7	11.8	12.1	-0.1	-0.3
Unemployment Rate (%)	6.8	6.8	6.8	--	--
Employment	161.7	161.8	164.4	0.0	-2.7
<u>WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA</u>					
TOTAL NONAG	131.2	131.7	134.4	-0.5	-3.2
<u>UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:</u>					
				Change from last:	
	Mar-10	Feb-10	Mar-09	Month	Year
Total Civilian Labor Force	171.3	171.7	174.3	-0.4	-3.0
Unemployment	12.2	12.3	12.6	-0.1	-0.3
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.1	7.2	7.2	--	--
Employment	159.0	159.3	161.7	-0.3	-2.7
<u>WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA</u>					
TOTAL NONAG	129.6	129.5	132.0	0.1	-2.4

**GRAND JUNCTION MSA (Mesa County)**

<b>LABOR FORCE DATA</b>					
<b>SEASONALLY ADJUSTED*</b>				<b>Change from last:</b>	
	<b>Mar-10</b>	<b>Feb-10</b>	<b>Mar-09</b>	<b>Month</b>	<b>Year</b>
Total Civilian Labor Force	80.4	80.0	83.9	0.4	-3.5
Unemployment	7.9	7.8	7.0	0.2	0.9
Unemployment Rate (%)	9.9	9.7	8.3	--	--
Employment	72.5	72.2	76.9	0.3	-4.4
<b>WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA</b>					
<b>TOTAL NONAG</b>	59.6	60.0	64.0	-0.4	-4.4
<b>UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:</b>					
				<b>Change from last:</b>	
	<b>Mar-10</b>	<b>Feb-10</b>	<b>Mar-09</b>	<b>Month</b>	<b>Year</b>
Total Civilian Labor Force	79.7	79.2	83.1	0.5	-3.5
Unemployment	8.2	8.1	7.2	0.1	0.9
Unemployment Rate (%)	10.3	10.2	8.7	--	--
Employment	71.5	71.1	75.9	0.4	-4.4
<b>WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA</b>					
<b>TOTAL NONAG</b>	59.2	59.0	63.4	0.2	-4.2

**GREELEY MSA (Weld County)**

<b>LABOR FORCE DATA</b>					
<b>SEASONALLY ADJUSTED*</b>				<b>Change from last:</b>	
	<b>Mar-10</b>	<b>Feb-10</b>	<b>Mar-09</b>	<b>Month</b>	<b>Year</b>
Total Civilian Labor Force	117.8	117.1	121.5	0.7	-3.7
Unemployment	11.0	11.0	10.4	0.1	0.7
Unemployment Rate (%)	9.4	9.4	8.5	--	--
Employment	106.8	106.1	111.1	0.6	-4.3
<b>WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA</b>					
<b>TOTAL NONAG</b>	77.0	76.9	80.7	0.1	-3.7
<b>UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:</b>					
				<b>Change from last:</b>	
	<b>Mar-10</b>	<b>Feb-10</b>	<b>Mar-09</b>	<b>Month</b>	<b>Year</b>
Total Civilian Labor Force	116.6	116.4	120.2	0.2	-3.7
Unemployment	11.6	11.5	10.9	0.1	0.7
Unemployment Rate (%)	9.9	9.9	9.1	--	--
Employment	105.0	104.9	109.3	0.1	-4.3
<b>WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA</b>					
<b>TOTAL NONAG</b>	76.6	76.2	80.2	0.4	-3.6

**PUEBLO MSA (Pueblo County)**

<b>LABOR FORCE DATA</b>					
<b>SEASONALLY ADJUSTED*</b>				<b>Change from last:</b>	
	<b>Mar-10</b>	<b>Feb-10</b>	<b>Mar-09</b>	<b>Month</b>	<b>Year</b>

<b>Total Civilian Labor Force</b>	74.0	73.6	74.5	0.3	-0.6
<b>Unemployment</b>	6.7	6.5	6.7	0.2	0.0
<b>Unemployment Rate (%)</b>	9.1	8.9	9.0	--	--
<b>Employment</b>	67.2	67.1	67.8	0.1	-0.6
<b><u>WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA</u></b>					
<b>TOTAL NONAG</b>	57.0	57.0	57.7	0.0	-0.7
<b>UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:</b>					
	<b>Mar-10</b>	<b>Feb-10</b>	<b>Mar-09</b>	<b>Change from last:</b>	
				<b>Month</b>	<b>Year</b>
<b>Total Civilian Labor Force</b>	73.9	73.3	74.5	0.6	-0.6
<b>Unemployment</b>	7.1	6.9	7.0	0.2	0.0
<b>Unemployment Rate (%)</b>	9.5	9.4	9.4	--	--
<b>Employment</b>	66.9	66.4	67.5	0.5	-0.6
<b><u>WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA</u></b>					
<b>TOTAL NONAG</b>	57.0	56.5	57.5	0.5	-0.5

Seasonally Adjusted MSA Labor Force Data not official BLS series

Labor force estimates are adjusted to Current Population Survey data. Estimates made in cooperation with the U.S. Dept. of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

1/ Residents unemployed during the week including the 12th of the month.

2/ Total resident employment includes nonagricultural wage and salary workers; self-employed, unpaid family and domestic workers; agricultural workers and persons involved in labor disputes.

3/Due to rounding, sum of individual items may not equal total. Industry data represents jobs by place of work coded under the 2002 North American Industry Classification System

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**Not Seasonally Adjusted Labor Force**

	March 2010				February 2010				March 2009			
	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Rate	Labor force	Employment	Unemployment	Rate	Labor Force	Employment	Unemployment	Rate
<b>Colorado</b>	<b>2,645,366</b>	<b>2,423,645</b>	<b>221,721</b>	<b>8.4</b>	<b>2,637,006</b>	<b>2,418,032</b>	<b>218,974</b>	<b>8.3</b>	<b>2,711,339</b>	<b>2,488,536</b>	<b>222,803</b>	<b>8.2</b>
<i>Alamosa-Conejos LMA</i>	<i>11,694</i>	<i>10,729</i>	<i>965</i>	<i>8.3</i>	<i>11,718</i>	<i>10,774</i>	<i>944</i>	<i>8.1</i>	<i>12,302</i>	<i>11,249</i>	<i>1,053</i>	<i>8.6</i>
<i>Alamosa</i>	8,155	7,527	628	7.7	8,172	7,559	613	7.5	8,573	7,892	681	7.9
<i>Conejos</i>	3,539	3,202	337	9.5	3,546	3,215	331	9.3	3,729	3,357	372	10.0
Archuleta	6,011	5,354	657	10.9	5,975	5,340	635	10.6	6,105	5,532	573	9.4
Baca	2,088	1,999	89	4.3	2,157	2,063	94	4.4	2,336	2,226	110	4.7
Bent	2,020	1,850	170	8.4	2,129	1,951	178	8.4	2,448	2,259	189	7.7
<b>Cañon City MCA (Fremont)</b>	<b>19,332</b>	<b>17,477</b>	<b>1,855</b>	<b>9.6</b>	<b>19,377</b>	<b>17,512</b>	<b>1,865</b>	<b>9.6</b>	<b>19,463</b>	<b>17,571</b>	<b>1,892</b>	<b>9.7</b>
Chaffee	8,109	7,488	621	7.7	8,134	7,506	628	7.7	8,193	7,536	657	8.0
Cheyenne	1,187	1,149	38	3.2	1,201	1,160	41	3.4	1,300	1,254	46	3.5
<b>Colorado Springs MSA</b>	<b>304,905</b>	<b>277,498</b>	<b>27,407</b>	<b>9.0</b>	<b>303,685</b>	<b>276,637</b>	<b>27,048</b>	<b>8.9</b>	<b>310,467</b>	<b>282,675</b>	<b>27,792</b>	<b>9.0</b>
<i>El Paso</i>	292,898	266,575	26,323	9.0	291,788	265,748	26,040	8.9	298,270	271,549	26,721	9.0
<i>Teller</i>	12,007	10,923	1,084	9.0	11,897	10,889	1,008	8.5	12,197	11,126	1,071	8.8
Costilla	1,151	1,020	131	11.4	1,150	1,015	135	11.7	1,308	1,170	138	10.6
Custer	1,840	1,701	139	7.6	1,845	1,715	130	7.0	1,880	1,730	150	8.0
Delta	15,760	14,253	1,507	9.6	15,709	14,239	1,470	9.4	16,701	15,381	1,320	7.9
<b>Denver-Aurora-Boulder CSA</b>	<b>1,643,393</b>	<b>1,506,333</b>	<b>137,060</b>	<b>8.3</b>	<b>1,635,617</b>	<b>1,500,078</b>	<b>135,539</b>	<b>8.3</b>	<b>1,680,476</b>	<b>1,540,320</b>	<b>140,156</b>	<b>8.3</b>
<i>Boulder-Longmont MSA</i>	<i>172,136</i>	<i>161,137</i>	<i>10,999</i>	<i>6.4</i>	<i>172,285</i>	<i>161,092</i>	<i>11,193</i>	<i>6.5</i>	<i>175,383</i>	<i>163,524</i>	<i>11,859</i>	<i>6.8</i>
<i>Denver-Aurora MSA</i>	<i>1,354,700</i>	<i>1,240,189</i>	<i>114,511</i>	<i>8.5</i>	<i>1,346,980</i>	<i>1,234,101</i>	<i>112,879</i>	<i>8.4</i>	<i>1,384,874</i>	<i>1,267,463</i>	<i>117,411</i>	<i>8.5</i>
<i>Adams</i>	222,090	200,087	22,003	9.9	220,800	199,105	21,695	9.8	226,244	204,487	21,757	9.6
<i>Arapahoe</i>	303,135	278,446	24,689	8.1	301,234	277,079	24,155	8.0	310,093	284,570	25,523	8.2
<i>Broomfield</i>	29,786	27,577	2,209	7.4	29,609	27,441	2,168	7.3	30,519	28,183	2,336	7.7
<i>Clear Creek</i>	5,430	5,050	380	7.0	5,421	5,025	396	7.3	5,611	5,161	450	8.0
<i>Denver</i>	315,691	286,485	29,206	9.3	313,671	285,079	28,592	9.1	322,472	292,786	29,686	9.2
<i>Douglas</i>	154,499	144,443	10,056	6.5	153,908	143,734	10,174	6.6	158,763	147,620	11,143	7.0
<i>Elbert</i>	12,636	11,607	1,029	8.1	12,576	11,550	1,026	8.2	12,978	11,862	1,116	8.6
<i>Gilpin</i>	3,376	3,111	265	7.8	3,351	3,096	255	7.6	3,419	3,179	240	7.0
<i>Jefferson</i>	298,607	274,754	23,853	8.0	297,013	273,405	23,608	7.9	305,194	280,796	24,398	8.0
<i>Park</i>	9,451	8,630	821	8.7	9,396	8,588	808	8.6	9,583	8,820	763	8.0
<b>Greeley MSA</b>	<b>116,557</b>	<b>105,007</b>	<b>11,550</b>	<b>9.9</b>	<b>116,352</b>	<b>104,885</b>	<b>11,467</b>	<b>9.9</b>	<b>120,219</b>	<b>109,333</b>	<b>10,886</b>	<b>9.1</b>
<i>Dolores</i>	938	751	187	19.9	924	751	173	18.7	974	827	147	15.1
<b>Durango MCA (La Plata)</b>	<b>29,965</b>	<b>27,844</b>	<b>2,121</b>	<b>7.1</b>	<b>30,040</b>	<b>27,945</b>	<b>2,095</b>	<b>7.0</b>	<b>31,093</b>	<b>29,144</b>	<b>1,949</b>	<b>6.3</b>
<b>Edwards MCA</b>	<b>35,431</b>	<b>32,585</b>	<b>2,846</b>	<b>8.0</b>	<b>35,642</b>	<b>32,931</b>	<b>2,711</b>	<b>7.6</b>	<b>37,304</b>	<b>34,795</b>	<b>2,509</b>	<b>6.7</b>
<i>Eagle</i>	31,264	28,884	2,380	7.6	31,476	29,191	2,285	7.3	32,965	30,843	2,122	6.4
<i>Lake</i>	4,167	3,701	466	11.2	4,166	3,740	426	10.2	4,339	3,952	387	8.9
<b>Fort Collins-Loveland MSA</b>	<b>171,252</b>	<b>159,024</b>	<b>12,228</b>	<b>7.1</b>	<b>171,692</b>	<b>159,348</b>	<b>12,344</b>	<b>7.2</b>	<b>174,256</b>	<b>161,692</b>	<b>12,564</b>	<b>7.2</b>
<b>Fort Morgan MCA (Morgan)</b>	<b>14,105</b>	<b>13,191</b>	<b>914</b>	<b>6.5</b>	<b>14,392</b>	<b>13,494</b>	<b>898</b>	<b>6.2</b>	<b>14,433</b>	<b>13,561</b>	<b>872</b>	<b>6.0</b>
Garfield	33,770	30,445	3,325	9.8	33,477	30,341	3,136	9.4	35,632	32,926	2,706	7.6
Grand	9,662	8,919	743	7.7	9,585	8,899	686	7.2	9,617	8,907	710	7.4
<b>Grand Junction MSA</b>	<b>79,658</b>	<b>71,487</b>	<b>8,171</b>	<b>10.3</b>	<b>79,191</b>	<b>71,096</b>	<b>8,095</b>	<b>10.2</b>	<b>83,128</b>	<b>75,886</b>	<b>7,242</b>	<b>8.7</b>
Gunnison	9,574	8,993	581	6.1	9,637	9,058	579	6.0	9,746	9,100	646	6.6
Hinsdale	539	510	29	5.4	564	535	29	5.1	526	500	26	4.9
Huerfano	3,474	3,101	373	10.7	3,499	3,142	357	10.2	3,372	3,008	364	10.8
Jackson	1,090	1,013	77	7.1	1,110	1,031	79	7.1	1,136	1,067	69	6.1
Kiowa	758	710	48	6.3	811	762	49	6.0	905	852	53	5.9
Kit Carson	4,249	4,062	187	4.4	4,306	4,114	192	4.5	4,478	4,270	208	4.6
Las Animas	8,236	7,471	765	9.3	8,172	7,425	747	9.1	8,721	7,917	804	9.2
Lincoln	2,787	2,657	130	4.7	2,834	2,699	135	4.8	2,904	2,762	142	4.9
Mineral	558	525	33	5.9	524	487	37	7.1	544	508	36	6.6
Moffat	8,928	8,087	841	9.4	8,958	8,151	807	9.0	9,119	8,453	666	7.3
Montezuma	12,570	11,307	1,263	10.0	12,420	11,189	1,231	9.9	12,998	11,818	1,180	9.1
<b>Montrose MCA</b>	<b>20,256</b>	<b>17,992</b>	<b>2,264</b>	<b>11.2</b>	<b>19,724</b>	<b>17,592</b>	<b>2,132</b>	<b>10.8</b>	<b>20,855</b>	<b>18,820</b>	<b>2,035</b>	<b>9.8</b>
<b>Otero-Crowley LMA</b>	<b>10,109</b>	<b>9,202</b>	<b>907</b>	<b>9.0</b>	<b>10,210</b>	<b>9,321</b>	<b>889</b>	<b>8.7</b>	<b>10,922</b>	<b>10,014</b>	<b>908</b>	<b>8.3</b>
<i>Crowley</i>	1,758	1,572	186	10.6	1,763	1,592	171	9.7	1,891	1,710	181	9.6
<i>Otero</i>	8,351	7,630	721	8.6	8,447	7,729	718	8.5	9,031	8,304	727	8.1
Ourray	2,461	2,254	207	8.4	2,423	2,227	196	8.1	2,716	2,527	189	7.0
Phillips	2,148	2,046	102	4.7	2,262	2,151	111	4.9	2,343	2,242	101	4.3
Pitkin	11,502	10,885	617	5.4	11,683	11,089	594	5.1	11,947	11,398	549	4.6
Prowers	6,080	5,692	388	6.4	6,237	5,833	404	6.5	6,641	6,137	504	7.6
<b>Pueblo MSA</b>	<b>73,949</b>	<b>66,899</b>	<b>7,050</b>	<b>9.5</b>	<b>73,318</b>	<b>66,439</b>	<b>6,879</b>	<b>9.4</b>	<b>74,516</b>	<b>67,507</b>	<b>7,009</b>	<b>9.4</b>
Rio Blanco	4,191	3,917	274	6.5	4,230	3,946	284	6.7	4,439	4,167	272	6.1
Rio Grande	5,735	5,241	494	8.6	5,785	5,273	512	8.9	6,392	5,876	516	8.1
Routt	15,617	14,423	1,194	7.6	15,861	14,753	1,108	7.0	16,225	15,212	1,013	6.2
Saguache	2,483	2,201	282	11.4	2,580	2,293	287	11.1	3,104	2,814	290	9.3
San Juan	522	461	61	11.7	489	428	61	12.5	473	415	58	12.3
San Miguel	5,369	5,067	302	5.6	5,340	5,054	286	5.4	5,764	5,469	295	5.1
Sedgwick	1,481	1,416	65	4.4	1,521	1,454	67	4.4	1,572	1,498	74	4.7
<b>Silverthorne MCA (Summit)</b>	<b>18,678</b>	<b>17,660</b>	<b>1,018</b>	<b>5.5</b>	<b>18,504</b>	<b>17,499</b>	<b>1,005</b>	<b>5.4</b>	<b>18,732</b>	<b>17,735</b>	<b>997</b>	<b>5.3</b>
<b>Sterling MCA (Logan)</b>	<b>11,306</b>	<b>10,689</b>	<b>617</b>	<b>5.5</b>	<b>11,597</b>	<b>10,936</b>	<b>661</b>	<b>5.7</b>	<b>11,513</b>	<b>10,893</b>	<b>620</b>	<b>5.4</b>
Washington	2,506	2,371	135	5.4	2,646	2,501	145	5.5	2,731	2,589	142	5.2
Yuma	5,933	5,693	240	4.0	6,120	5,852	268	4.4	6,592	6,328	264	4.0

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