

**LABOR FORCE SUMMARY
COLORADO**

Preliminary Estimates for March 2005 (in thousands)

LABOR FORCE DATA					
SEASONALLY ADJUSTED*				Change from last:	
	Mar-05	Feb-05	Mar-04	Month	Year
Total Civilian Labor Force	2,543.9	2,542.8	2,505.4	1.1	38.5
Unemployment	130.6	124.1	140.5	6.5	-9.9
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.1	4.9	5.6	0.2	-0.5
Employment	2,413.3	2,418.7	2,364.9	-5.4	48.4
UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:					
				Change from last:	
	Mar-05	Feb-05	Mar-04	Month	Year
Total Civilian Labor Force	2,520.9	2,522.9	2,487.1	-2.0	33.8
Unemployment 1/	138.7	133.1	151.1	5.6	-12.4
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.5	5.3	6.1	0.2	-0.6
Employment 2/	2,382.2	2,389.8	2,336.0	-7.6	46.2

WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA					
UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:	Mar-05	Feb-05	Mar-04	Month	Year
Natural Resources & Mining	15.4	15.2	13.6	0.2	1.8
Construction	151.7	148.6	142.7	3.1	9.0
Manufacturing	153.9	153.8	152.8	0.1	1.1
Trade, Transp., & Utilites	407.5	406.7	399.3	0.8	8.2
Information	77.0	76.8	82.6	0.2	-5.6
Financial Activities	157.2	156.8	154.2	0.4	3.0
Prof. & Business Services	301.6	298.0	289.3	3.6	12.3
Educat. & Health Services	223.7	223.2	217.1	0.5	6.6
Leisure & Hospitality	258.2	254.1	249.7	4.1	8.5
Other Services	88.2	87.7	86.1	0.5	2.1
Government	369.4	368.5	362.2	0.9	7.2
TOTAL NONAG	2,203.8	2,189.4	2,149.6	14.4	54.2
Labor Disputants	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

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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LABOR FORCE SUMMARY
COLORADO METROPOLITAN STATISTICAL AREAS

Preliminary Estimates for March 2005 (in thousands)

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

LABOR FORCE DATA					
UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:				Change from last:	
	Mar-05	Feb-05	Mar-04	Month	Year
Total Civilian Labor Force	1,270.0	1,271.7	1,251.7	-1.7	18.3
Unemployment	73.0	70.0	81.7	3.0	-8.7
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.7	5.5	6.5	0.2	-0.8
Employment	1,197.0	1,201.7	1,170.0	-4.7	27.0
WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA					
TOTAL NONAG	1,173.1	1,165.6	1,146.7	7.5	26.4

BOULDER-LONGMONT MSA (Boulder county)

LABOR FORCE DATA					
UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:				Change from last:	
	Mar-05	Feb-05	Mar-04	Month	Year
Total Civilian Labor Force	164.1	164.3	160.4	-0.2	3.7
Unemployment	8.0	7.7	8.7	0.3	-0.7
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.9	4.7	5.4	0.2	-0.5
Employment	156.1	156.6	151.7	-0.5	4.4
WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA					
TOTAL NONAG	160.4	159.2	155.7	1.2	4.7

COLORADO SPRINGS MSA (El Paso and Teller counties)

LABOR FORCE DATA					
UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:				Change from last:	
	Mar-05	Feb-05	Mar-04	Month	Year
Total Civilian Labor Force	290.4	290.7	283.3	-0.3	7.1
Unemployment	17.1	16.2	17.6	0.9	-0.5
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.9	5.6	6.2	0.3	-0.3
Employment	273.3	274.5	265.7	-1.2	7.6
WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA					
TOTAL NONAG	249.8	248.1	242.9	1.7	6.9

FT. COLLINS-LOVELAND MSA (Larimer county)

LABOR FORCE DATA					
UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:				Change from last:	
	Mar-05	Feb-05	Mar-04	Month	Year
Total Civilian Labor Force	166.7	166.4	164.2	0.3	2.5
Unemployment	7.7	7.4	8.2	0.3	-0.5
Unemployment Rate (%)	4.6	4.5	5.0	0.1	-0.4
Employment	159.0	159.0	156.0	0.0	3.0
WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA					
TOTAL NONAG	128.0	126.8	125.4	1.2	2.6

GRAND JUNCTION MSA (Mesa county)

LABOR FORCE DATA					
UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:				Change from last:	
	Mar-05	Feb-05	Mar-04	Month	Year
Total Civilian Labor Force	68.3	68.5	67.3	-0.2	1.0
Unemployment	3.7	3.6	3.8	0.1	-0.1
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.4	5.2	5.7	0.2	-0.3
Employment	64.6	64.9	63.5	-0.3	1.1
WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA					
TOTAL NONAG	55.0	54.7	53.7	0.3	1.3

GREELEY MSA (Weld county)

LABOR FORCE DATA					
UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:				Change from last:	
	Mar-05	Feb-05	Mar-04	Month	Year
Total Civilian Labor Force	108.9	109.0	107.2	-0.1	1.7
Unemployment	6.2	5.9	6.5	0.3	-0.3
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.7	5.5	6.0	0.2	-0.3
Employment	102.7	103.1	100.7	-0.4	2.0
WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA					
TOTAL NONAG	75.9	75.7	72.7	0.2	3.2

PUEBLO MSA (Pueblo county)

LABOR FORCE DATA					
UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:				Change from last:	
	Mar-05	Feb-05	Mar-04	Month	Year
Total Civilian Labor Force	70.3	70.0	69.3	0.3	1.0
Unemployment	5.0	4.9	5.5	0.1	-0.5
Unemployment Rate (%)	7.1	7.0	7.9	0.1	-0.8
Employment	65.3	65.1	63.8	0.2	1.5
WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA					
TOTAL NONAG	56.0	55.2	54.4	0.8	1.6