

**LABOR FORCE SUMMARY  
COLORADO**

Preliminary Estimates for March 2006 (in thousands)

| <b>LABOR FORCE DATA</b>            |         |         |         |                   |       |
|------------------------------------|---------|---------|---------|-------------------|-------|
| SEASONALLY ADJUSTED*               |         |         |         | Change from last: |       |
|                                    | Mar-06  | Feb-06  | Mar-05  | Month             | Year  |
| <b>Total Civilian Labor Force</b>  | 2,610.4 | 2,612.4 | 2,538.9 | -2.0              | 71.5  |
| <b>Unemployment</b>                | 111.6   | 112.1   | 131.9   | -0.5              | -20.3 |
| <b>Unemployment Rate (%)</b>       | 4.3     | 4.3     | 5.2     | 0.0               | -0.9  |
| <b>Employment</b>                  | 2,498.8 | 2,500.3 | 2,407.0 | -1.5              | 91.8  |
| <b>UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:</b> |         |         |         |                   |       |
|                                    |         |         |         | Change from last: |       |
|                                    | Mar-06  | Feb-06  | Mar-05  | Month             | Year  |
| <b>Total Civilian Labor Force</b>  | 2,588.3 | 2,593.2 | 2,518.8 | -4.9              | 69.5  |
| <b>Unemployment 1/</b>             | 119.5   | 120.3   | 143.0   | -0.8              | -23.5 |
| <b>Unemployment Rate (%)</b>       | 4.6     | 4.6     | 5.7     | 0.0               | -1.1  |
| <b>Employment 2/</b>               | 2,468.8 | 2,472.9 | 2,375.8 | -4.1              | 93.0  |

| <b>WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA</b> |         |         |         |       |      |
|--|---------|---------|---------|-------|------|
| UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:            | Mar-06  | Feb-06  | Mar-05  | Month | Year |
| <b>Natural Resources &amp; Mining</b>  | 18.5    | 18.1    | 16.1    | 0.4   | 2.4  |
| <b>Construction</b>                    | 160.5   | 157.4   | 150.1   | 3.1   | 10.4 |
| <b>Manufacturing</b>                   | 149.0   | 149.0   | 150.2   | 0.0   | -1.2 |
| <b>Trade, Transp., &amp; Utilites</b>  | 415.2   | 413.4   | 406.1   | 1.8   | 9.1  |
| <b>Information</b>                     | 75.5    | 75.4    | 77.8    | 0.1   | -2.3 |
| <b>Financial Activities</b>            | 161.2   | 160.6   | 157.0   | 0.6   | 4.2  |
| <b>Prof. &amp; Business Services</b>   | 317.0   | 313.6   | 306.4   | 3.4   | 10.6 |
| <b>Educat. &amp; Health Services</b>   | 227.8   | 227.2   | 223.5   | 0.6   | 4.3  |
| <b>Leisure &amp; Hospitality</b>       | 262.1   | 257.8   | 257.5   | 4.3   | 4.6  |
| <b>Other Services</b>                  | 89.1    | 89.1    | 88.5    | 0.0   | 0.6  |
| <b>Government</b>                      | 371.7   | 369.4   | 365.9   | 2.3   | 5.8  |
| <b>TOTAL NONAG</b>                     | 2,247.6 | 2,231.0 | 2,199.1 | 16.6  | 48.5 |
| <b>Labor Disputants</b>                | 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 2006 (in thousands)

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

| <b>LABOR FORCE DATA</b>                |         |         |         |                   |       |
|--|---------|---------|---------|-------------------|-------|
| UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:            |         |         |         | Change from last: |       |
|  | Mar-06  | Feb-06  | Mar-05  | Month             | Year  |
| Total Civilian Labor Force             | 1,323.9 | 1,327.8 | 1,289.7 | -3.9              | 34.2  |
| Unemployment                           | 63.1    | 63.3    | 75.4    | -0.2              | -12.3 |
| Unemployment Rate (%)                  | 4.8     | 4.8     | 5.8     | 0.0               | -1.0  |
| Employment                             | 1,260.8 | 1,264.5 | 1,214.3 | -3.7              | 46.5  |
| <b>WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA</b> |         |         |         |                   |       |
| TOTAL NONAG                            | 1,195.5 | 1,187.9 | 1,170.6 | 7.6               | 24.9  |

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

| <b>LABOR FORCE DATA</b>                |        |        |        |                   |      |
|--|--------|--------|--------|-------------------|------|
| UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:            |        |        |        | Change from last: |      |
|  | Mar-06 | Feb-06 | Mar-05 | Month             | Year |
| Total Civilian Labor Force             | 170.2  | 171.1  | 166.7  | -0.9              | 3.5  |
| Unemployment                           | 6.7    | 6.8    | 8.3    | -0.1              | -1.6 |
| Unemployment Rate (%)                  | 4.0    | 4.0    | 5.0    | 0.0               | -1.0 |
| Employment                             | 163.5  | 164.3  | 158.4  | -0.8              | 5.1  |
| <b>WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA</b> |        |        |        |                   |      |
| TOTAL NONAG                            | 162.0  | 161.2  | 159.7  | 0.8               | 2.3  |

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

| <b>LABOR FORCE DATA</b>                |        |        |        |                   |      |
|--|--------|--------|--------|-------------------|------|
| UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:            |        |        |        | Change from last: |      |
|  | Mar-06 | Feb-06 | Mar-05 | Month             | Year |
| Total Civilian Labor Force             | 301.9  | 302.5  | 294.5  | -0.6              | 7.4  |
| Unemployment                           | 14.8   | 14.8   | 17.6   | 0.0               | -2.8 |
| Unemployment Rate (%)                  | 4.9    | 4.9    | 6.0    | 0.0               | -1.1 |
| Employment                             | 287.1  | 287.7  | 276.9  | -0.6              | 10.2 |
| <b>WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA</b> |        |        |        |                   |      |
| TOTAL NONAG                            | 252.9  | 251.5  | 248.0  | 1.4               | 4.9  |

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

| <b>LABOR FORCE DATA</b>                |        |        |        |                   |      |
|--|--------|--------|--------|-------------------|------|
| UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:            |        |        |        | Change from last: |      |
|  | Mar-06 | Feb-06 | Mar-05 | Month             | Year |
| Total Civilian Labor Force             | 166.5  | 167.9  | 162.0  | -1.4              | 4.5  |
| Unemployment                           | 7.1    | 7.2    | 8.0    | -0.1              | -0.9 |
| Unemployment Rate (%)                  | 4.3    | 4.3    | 4.9    | 0.0               | -0.6 |
| Employment                             | 159.4  | 160.7  | 154.0  | -1.3              | 5.4  |
| <b>WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA</b> |        |        |        |                   |      |
| TOTAL NONAG                            | 130.7  | 130.1  | 128.5  | 0.6               | 2.2  |

**GRAND JUNCTION MSA (Mesa county)**

| <b>LABOR FORCE DATA</b>                |        |        |        |                   |      |
|--|--------|--------|--------|-------------------|------|
| UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:            |        |        |        | Change from last: |      |
|  | Mar-06 | Feb-06 | Mar-05 | Month             | Year |
| Total Civilian Labor Force             | 71.0   | 71.3   | 69.0   | -0.3              | 2.0  |
| Unemployment                           | 2.9    | 3.0    | 3.8    | -0.1              | -0.9 |
| Unemployment Rate (%)                  | 4.1    | 4.2    | 5.5    | -0.1              | -1.4 |
| Employment                             | 68.1   | 68.3   | 65.2   | -0.2              | 2.9  |
| <b>WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA</b> |        |        |        |                   |      |
| TOTAL NONAG                            | 56.9   | 56.6   | 55.4   | 0.3               | 1.5  |

**GREELEY MSA (Weld county)**

| <b>LABOR FORCE DATA</b>                |        |        |        |                   |      |
|--|--------|--------|--------|-------------------|------|
| UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:            |        |        |        | Change from last: |      |
|  | Mar-06 | Feb-06 | Mar-05 | Month             | Year |
| Total Civilian Labor Force             | 111.8  | 112.4  | 108.0  | -0.6              | 3.8  |
| Unemployment                           | 5.2    | 5.2    | 6.4    | 0.0               | -1.2 |
| Unemployment Rate (%)                  | 4.6    | 4.7    | 5.9    | -0.1              | -1.3 |
| Employment                             | 106.6  | 107.2  | 101.6  | -0.6              | 5.0  |
| <b>WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA</b> |        |        |        |                   |      |
| TOTAL NONAG                            | 77.7   | 77.2   | 74.9   | 0.5               | 2.8  |

**PUEBLO MSA (Pueblo county)**

| <b>LABOR FORCE DATA</b>                |        |        |        |                   |      |
|--|--------|--------|--------|-------------------|------|
| UNADJUSTED FOR SEASONALITY:            |        |        |        | Change from last: |      |
|  | Mar-06 | Feb-06 | Mar-05 | Month             | Year |
| Total Civilian Labor Force             | 69.2   | 69.5   | 68.9   | -0.3              | 0.3  |
| Unemployment                           | 4.1    | 4.2    | 5.2    | -0.1              | -1.1 |
| Unemployment Rate (%)                  | 5.9    | 6.1    | 7.5    | -0.2              | -1.6 |
| Employment                             | 65.1   | 65.3   | 63.7   | -0.2              | 1.4  |
| <b>WAGE AND SALARY EMPLOYMENT DATA</b> |        |        |        |                   |      |
| TOTAL NONAG                            | 55.6   | 55.1   | 55.4   | 0.5               | 0.2  |