## Regional Socio-Economic Profile

Region 7—Pueblo County

## Overview

The central work of the State Demography Office is the research and production of population data and information and of the forces (fertility, mortality, migration) that lead to population change. Data and information about the population and the factors that lead to population change are critical for program and local area planning. This profile presents data on the economy and the popu-
 lation for the different Planning and Management Regions of Colorado. Included are:

## The Economy

Estimated Total Jobs by Industrial Sector.
Personal Income by Source.
The Economic Base in terms of Industrial Clusters.
An Economic Forecast for the Base Industry Groups.

## The Population

Population Estimates, 2000-2009.
The Relationships of Population, Households, and Housing.
Population Forecasts, 2010-2035.
Population by Age, 2009and 2025.
Labor Market Highlights.
Labor force and participation rates by age

## Forecasting Worksheets

Worksheets which show the relationship of the job forecast to the population forecast relate jobs to the population.

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## Economic Highlights

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The region had 68,055 jobs in 2009. The largest portion of these were in health services and social assistance (10,931, 16.1 percent), retail trade ( 8,064 or 11.8 percent), federal and state government ( 6,582 or 9.7 percent), and local government (6,578 or 9.7 percent)

- Job growth in the region has been slow, expanding an average of 0.4 percent annually from 2001 to 2009. From 2008 to 2009 the region lost 1,873 jobs ( -2.7 percent). The greatest number of losses occurred in construction, which decreased by 629 jobs ( -12.0 percent). Retail trade (-442 jobs, -5.2 percent) and manufacturing ( -351 jobs, 7.8 percent) also experienced significant declines. Health services and social assistance grew by 184 positions (1.7 percent) and education (private sector) added 110 jobs, growing 19.1 percent.

Estimated Total Jobs in Region 7


Source: Colorado State Demography Office
ESTIMATED TOTAL JOBS - REGION 7 COUNTIES, 2009 By Industrial Sector

| Industry Group | Region 7 | Pueblo |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| ESTIMATED TOTAL JOBS | 68,055 | 68,055 |
| Agriculture | 691 | 691 |
| Mining \& Utilities | 520 | 520 |
| Manufacturing | 4,133 | 4,133 |
| Government, Federal \& State | 6,582 | 6,582 |
| Construction | 4,608 | 4,608 |
| Wholesale Trade | 1,373 | 1,373 |
| Transprtn \& Warehousing | 1,890 | 1,890 |
| Information | 906 | 906 |
| Finance \& Insurance | 1,628 | 1,628 |
| Real Estate \& Rental | 1,587 | 1,587 |
| Prof., Sci. \& Tech. Services | 1,913 | 1,913 |
| Mgmnt. \& Admin/Support | 5,413 | 5,413 |
| Retail Trade | 8,064 | 8,064 |
| Education - Private | 689 | 689 |
| Health Services \& Soc. Asst. | 10,931 | 10,931 |
| Recreation, Enter., \& Arts | 1,157 | 1,157 |
| Accommodations, Food Srvc | 5,758 | 5,558 |
| Other Services, exc. Pub Ad | 3,634 | 3,634 |
| Local Government | 6,578 | 6,578 |

# PERSONAL INCOME for REGION 7, 2008 

|  | Amounts (In thousands of \$) |  |
| :---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | Region 7 | Pueblo |
| Per Capita Personal Income | $\$ 30.564$ | $\$ 30.564$ |
| Ratio to U. S. PCPI | 0.761 | 0.761 |
| Total Personal Income | $\$ 4,768,265$ | $\$ 4,768,265$ |
| Earned Income by Residents | $\$ 2,734,609$ | $\$ 2,734,609$ |
| Earnings by Place of Work | $\$ 2,985,872$ | $\$ 2,985,872$ |
| - Contrib. For Social Ins. | $-\$ 332,788$ | $-\$ 332,788$ |
| Residency Adjustment | $\$ 81,525$ | $\$ 81,525$ |
| Transfer Payments | $\$ 1,342,706$ | $\$ 1,342,706$ |
| Retirement \& Disability | $\$ 355,629$ | $\$ 355,629$ |
| Medical: Medicare,-caid, VA | $\$ 733,526$ | $\$ 733,526$ |
| Other | $\$ 253,551$ | $\$ 253,551$ |
| Dividends, Interest, and Rent | $\$ 690,950$ | $\$ 690,950$ |

Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis
From 2001 to 2008 per capita personal income increased 2.9 percent per year while that of the nation increased at an annual rate of 3.2 percent. Thus, the region's ratio (of per capita income) to that of the nation fell from 0.801 to 0.761 during the eight-year period. The portion of income comprised of transfer payments increased from 23.5 percent in 2001 to 28.2 percent in 2008. Over this same time period the portion of earned income declined from 59.5 percent to 57.4 percent, and the portion of income from dividends, interest, and rent decreased from 16.9 percent to 14.5 percent.

PERSONAL INCOME for REGION 7, 2008

|  | Percent of Total Personal Income |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
|  | Region 7 | Pueblo |
| Total Personal Income | $100.0 \%$ | $100.0 \%$ |
| Earned Income by Residents | $57.4 \%$ | $57.4 \%$ |
| Earnings by Place of Work | $62.6 \%$ | $62.6 \%$ |
| - Contrib. For Social Ins. | $-7.0 \%$ | $-7.0 \%$ |
| Residency Adjustment | $1.7 \%$ | $1.7 \%$ |
| Transfer Payments | $28.2 \%$ | $28.2 \%$ |
| Retirement \& Disability | $7.5 \%$ | $7.5 \%$ |
| Medical: Medicare,-caid, VA | $15.4 \%$ | $15.4 \%$ |
| Other | $5.3 \%$ | $5.3 \%$ |
| Dividends, Interest, and Rent | $14.5 \%$ | $14.5 \%$ |

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## Economic Highlights

## Pueblo-REGION 7 ECONOMIC BASE (JOBS), 2009

The three largest components of the region's economic base are retirees (20.1 percent), health and education services ( 18.5 percent) and government (17.2 percent). The health and education services sector with 6,766 basic jobs includes those created by dollars received from Medicare and Medicaid. The government jobs include a large number of workers in state agencies, including employees of Colorado State University - Pueblo, Pueblo Community College, and two prisons. Other important components of its base are manufacturing ( 2,494 basic jobs or 6.8 percent of the base), trade and transportation (2,187 jobs, 6.0 percent), and recreation, lodging, and food (1,849 jobs, 5.1 percent).

Website:
http://www.dola.colorado.gov/ demog_webapps/

|  | Region 7 | Pueblo |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| TRADITIONAL | 10,532 | 10,532 |
| Agribusiness | 1,738 | 1,738 |
| Mining | 11 | 11 |
| Manufacturing | 2,494 | 2,494 |
| Government | 6,288 | 6,288 |
|  |  |  |
| NAT'L / RGL SERVICES | 12,666 | 12,666 |
| Mining, Construction | 1,740 | 1,740 |
| Trade \& Transportation | 2,187 | 2,187 |
| Information, Comm. | 286 | 286 |
| Financial Activities | 0 | 0 |
| Prof. \& Business Srvcs | 1,669 | 1,669 |
| Health \& Education | 6,766 | 6,766 |
|  |  |  |
| TOURISM | 2,515 | 2,515 |
| Recr., Lodging, Food | 1,849 | 1,849 |
| Real Est., Construction | 246 | 246 |
| Retail Trade | 227 | 227 |
| Transportation | 193 | 193 |
|  |  |  |
| HOUSEHOLD BASIC | 10,811 | 10,811 |
| Retirees | 7,330 | 7,330 |
| Commuters | 833 | 833 |
| Trans <65 | 1,713 | 1,713 |
| DIR < 65 | 935 | 935 |
|  |  |  |
| TOTAL DIRECT BASIC | 36,524 | 36,524 |
| TOTAL INDIRECT BASIC | 1,420 | 1,420 |
| TOTAL NON-BASIC | 30,111 | 30,111 |
| (Wrkr LRS) | $\mathbf{W r k r}$ LRS) |  |
| TOTAL ALL JOBS | 68,055 | 68,055 |
|  |  |  |
| Ratio: Ind + NB / D. B. | 0.86 | 0.86 |
| Ratio: Total / Dir. Basic | 1.86 | 1.86 |
|  |  |  |



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## Population Highlights

From 2010 to 2015 the region's economy is expected to grow 7,272 total jobs at an annual average rate of 2.0 percent. Over this time 4,229 direct basic jobs should be created. From 2015 to 2025 total job growth should slightly slow to 1.9 percent annually.

Pueblo MSA - Region 7

|  |  | 2010 | 2015 | 2025 | 2035 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | JOBS |  |  |  |  |
|  | Direct Basic Jobs |  |  |  |  |
|  | TRADITIONAL INDUSTRIAL BASIC JOBS | 10,701 | 11,295 | 12,001 | 12,735 |
|  | Annual Average Pct. Change | -0.2\% | 1.1\% | 0.6\% | 0.6\% |
|  | REGIONAL \& NATIONAL SERVICES | 12,867 | 14,813 | 16,756 | 19,089 |
|  | Annual Average Pct. Change | 0.8\% | 2.9\% | 1.2\% | 1.3\% |
|  | TOURISM | 2,524 | 2,951 | 3,292 | 3,585 |
|  | Annual Average Pct. Change | 0.2\% | 3.2\% | 1.1\% | 0.9\% |
|  | HOUSEHOLD BASIC | 12,113 | 13,374 | 19,378 | 25,436 |
|  | Annual Average Pct. Change | 1.1\% | 2.0\% | 3.8\% | 2.8\% |
|  | Commuting | 978 | 978 | 2,007 | 3,037 |
|  | Retirees | 6,638 | 7,640 | 11,273 | 14,555 |
|  | Public Assistance | 2,505 | 2,585 | 3,125 | 4,047 |
|  | Investment Income \& Wealth | 1,992 | 2,170 | 2,973 | 3,797 |
|  | TOTAL DIRECT BASIC JOBS | 38,204 | 42,433 | 51,428 | 60,844 |
|  | Annual Average Pct. Change | 0.6\% | 2.1\% | 1.9\% | 1.7\% |
|  | Secondary Jobs (Indirect Basic + NonBasic) | 30,166 | 33,209 | 39,471 | 46,281 |
| $\square 7$ | Ratio of Secondary/DB Jobs | 79.0\% | 78.3\% | 76.7\% | 76.1\% |
| $V$ | TOTAL JOBS (DB + Secondary) | 68,371 | 75,642 | 90,898 | 107,125 |
|  | Annual Average Pct. Change | 0.5\% | 2.0\% | 1.9\% | 1.7\% |
|  | Less: Military Jobs | 403 | 392 | 373 | 361 |
|  | TOTAL CIVILIAN JOBS (DEMAND) | 67,967 | 75,251 | 90,525 | 106,765 |
|  | Annual Average Pct. Change | 0.5\% | 2.1\% | 1.9\% | 1.7\% |

Source: Colorado State Demography Office

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## Population Highlights

## POPULATION ESTIMATES FOR COLORADO COUNTIES

 SDO SDO SDOCensus Est. Est. Est. Average Annual Rate Of Change

| April, 2000 |  | July, 2007 July, 2008 July, 2009 |  |  | 00-07 | 07-08 | 08-09 | 00-09 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| COLORADO | 4,301,261 | 4,895,652 | 4,987,672 | 5,074,528 | 1.8\% | 1.9\% | 1.7\% | 1.8\% |
| REGION 7 | 141,472 | 155,559 | 157,171 | 158,362 | 1.3\% | 1.0\% | 0.8\% | 1.2\% |
| Pueblo | 141,472 | 155,559 | 157,171 | 158,362 | 1.3\% | 1.0\% | 0.8\% | 1.2\% |

Source: State Demography Office—October, 2010 website: http://www.dola.colorado.gov/dlg/demog/pop_cnty_estimates.html

The population of the region / county in 2009 was 158,362. This represents an increase of 1.2 percent per year since 2000. The region grew at an annual rate of 1.3 percent between 2000 and 2008, and 1.0 percent between 2008 and 2009.

Of the region's 158,362 people, 4,142 live in group quarters, and the remaining 154,220 in households. Of those living in group quarters, 952 are in correctional facilities. The region averages 2.53 persons per household (occupied housing units). The region's 11.4 percent vacancy rate includes houses used for seasonal and recreation purposes.


Estimates of Population and Households for Colorado Counties and Municipalities

| Area | 2009 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Total Population | Group Qtr. <br> Population | Household <br> Population | Persons Per <br> Household | Total Housing Units | Occupied Housing Units | Vacant Housing Units | Vacancy <br> Rate |
| COLORADO | 5,074,528 | 113,530 | 4,960,998 | 2.55 | 2,204,528 | 1,946,542 | 257,982 | 11.70 |
| REGION 7 | 158,362 | 4,142 | 154,220 | 2.53 | 68,818 | 60,942 | 7,876 | 11.44 |
| Pueblo | 158,362 | 4,142 | 154,220 | 2.53 | 68,818 | 60,942 | 7,876 | 11.44 |

Source: State Demography Office, October, 2010
Website: http://www.dola.colorado.gov/dlg/demog/housing_colo_estimates.htmI

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## Population Highlights

POPULATION FORECASTS BY REGION AND COUNTY 2010-2035

|  |  |  |  |  | Avg. Annual \% Chg |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | July, 2010 | July, 2015 | July, 2025 | July, 2035 | 10-15 | 15-25 | 25-35 |
| COLORADO | 5,160,189 | 5,622,019 | 6,700,765 | 7,658,215 | 1.7\% | 1.8\% | 1.3\% |
| REGION 7 | 160,952 | 173,407 | 205,566 | 239,198 | 1.5\% | 1.7\% | 1.5\% |
| Pueblo | 160,952 | 173,407 | 205,566 | 239,198 | 1.5\% | 1.7\% | 1.5\% |

Source: State Demography Office, October, 2010 Website: www.dola.state.co.us/dlg/demog/pop_colo_forecasts.html

The region is expected to grow at over 1.5 percent per year until 2035, more strongly ( 1.7 percent) between 2015 and 2025. The regions warm climate, low cost of living, and wide range of urban services make it especially attractive to the growing numbers of retirees in the Front Range.

Population by Age, Colorado and Region, 2009 and 2025

| Age Groups | Region 7 |  |  |  | Age Groups | Colorado |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | July 1, 2009 |  | July 1, 2025 |  |  | July 1, 2009 |  | July 1, 2025 |  |
|  | Amount | \% of Total | Amount | \% of Total |  | Amount | \% of Total | Amount | \% of Total |
| 0-4 | 10,425 | 6.6\% | 14,238 | 6.9\% | 0-4 | 358,087 | 7.1\% | 469,094 | 7.0\% |
| 5-17 | 27,283 | 17.2\% | 35,422 | 17.2\% | 5-17 | 884,888 | 17.4\% | 1,155,037 | 17.2\% |
| 18-24 | 18,114 | 11.4\% | 19,994 | 9.7\% | 18-24 | 546,255 | 10.8\% | 652,848 | 9.7\% |
| 25-44 | 40,075 | 25.3\% | 56,983 | 27.7\% | 25-44 | 1,410,605 | 27.8\% | 1,750,183 | 26.1\% |
| 45-64 | 38,997 | 24.6\% | 41,760 | 20.3\% | 45-64 | 1,358,328 | 26.8\% | 1,528,618 | 22.8\% |
| 65-74 | 12,116 | 7.7\% | 19,700 | 9.6\% | 65-74 | 280,162 | 5.5\% | 671,067 | 10.0\% |
| 75-84 | 8,406 | 5.3\% | 12,059 | 5.9\% | 75-84 | 176,543 | 3.5\% | 356,980 | 5.3\% |
| 85+ | 2,952 | 1.9\% | 5,410 | 2.6\% | 85+ | 59,697 | 1.2\% | 116,936 | 1.7\% |
| Total | 158,368 | 100.0\% | 205,566 | 100.0\% | Total | 5,074,567 | 100.0\% | 6,700,765 | 100.0\% |

The median age of the region on July 1, 2009 was 35.4 as compared to the state's median age of 35.1. However, the region has proportionately somewhat more in the 18-24 age groups and those over 65 than does the state. The median age of the region is expected to increase only slightly to 36.0 by 2030 with an increasing workforce, while that of the state's is expected to rise more significantly - to $36.6--$ with the aging of the baby boomers age during this period.

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## Labor Market Highlights

Integrating the Economic and Population Forecasts by way of Analysis of the Labor Market The separate forecasts of the economy (jobs) and the population are integrated -- or made consistent with each other -- by way of an analysis of the labor market. The analysis reviews whether the population forecast in the demographic models and the workforce they are expected to provide (supply) will be sufficient (or too great) to meet the demands of the economy. If not, the population forecast - migration - may have to be adjusted so that the jobs supplied by the population is more in line with the jobs forecast.

Region 7

|  |  | 2010 | 2015 | 2025 | 2035 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | = CIVILIAN JOBS SUPPLIED | 66,909 | 77,231 | 93,584 | 110,527 |
| $\wedge$ | Annual Average Pct. Change | 0.4\% | 2.9\% | 1.9\% | 1.7\% |
| 4 | + Commuters | -2,504 | -3,957 | -5,019 | -6,024 |
|  | = JOBS HELD BY RESIDENTS | 69,413 | 81,187 | 98,603 | 116,551 |
|  | + 2nd \& 3rd Jobs of Rsdnts | 5,014 | 6,029 | 7,343 | 8,674 |
|  | Multiplie Job Holding Rate | 7.0\% | 7.5\% | 7.5\% | 7.5\% |
|  | = EMPLOYED PERSONS (RES) | 64,399 | 75,159 | 91,260 | 107,877 |
|  | - Unemployed Persons | 7,239 | 4,779 | 6,075 | 7,077 |
|  | Unemployment Rate | 10.1\% | 6.0\% | 6.2\% | 6.2\% |
|  | = LABOR FORCE (RESIDENTS) | 71,637 | 79,938 | 97,335 | 114,954 |
|  | x Labor Force Participation Rate | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.6 | 0.6 |
| $\square$ | NON-INSTITUTIONAL POP >16 | 124,250 | 133,465 | 157,038 | 183,768 |
|  | TOTAL POPULATION | 161,175 | 173,641 | 205,802 | 239,443 |
|  | Annual Average Pct. Change | 1.3\% | 1.5\% | 1.7\% | 1.5\% | persons results. This number + the number of $2^{\text {nd }}$ and $3^{\text {rd }}$ jobs supplied by multiple job holders + those provided by commuters living outside the region - those who will work outside equals the number of jobs supplied by the population.

Note that the number of jobs supplied by the population and their rates of growth are not the same as the growth (rates) of the population. Hence this analysis is essential to establishing an appropriate relationship between jobs and population.

| 2010 |  |  |  | 2025 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Labor <br> Force | Non-Inst <br> Pop. >16 | Labor Force Part. Rate | Ag | Labor <br> Force | Non-Inst <br> Pop. >16 | Labor Force Part. Rate |
| 16 TO 24 | 12,420 | 22,247 | 55.8\% | 16 TO 24 | 14,684 | 25,172 | 58.3\% |
| 25 TO 34 | 16,789 | 22,623 | 74.2\% | 25 TO 34 | 23,344 | 29,953 | 77.9\% |
| 35 TO 44 | 15,554 | 19,965 | 77.9\% | 35 TO 44 | 24,825 | 30,456 | 81.5\% |
| 45 TO 54 | 15,544 | 21,537 | 72.2\% | 45 TO 54 | 17,551 | 23,056 | 76.1\% |
| 55 TO 64 | 9,775 | 18,567 | 52.6\% | 55 TO 64 | 12,939 | 20,991 | 61.6\% |
| 65 TO 74 | 1,930 | 11,028 | 17.5\% | 65 TO 74 | 4,647 | 18,178 | 25.6\% |
| 75 TO 84 | 365 | 7,249 | 5.0\% | 75 TO 84 | 782 | 9,150 | 8.5\% |
| Total | 71,637 | 124,250 | 57.7\% | Total | 97,335 | 157,038 | 62.0\% |

Changes in the overall or total labor force participation rate(s) (LFPR) are really a function of changes LFPR by age and gender and changes in the relative proportions in each. In general, LFPR for each age-gender group are expected to rise slightly to 2025. Those of women - especially those in upper age groups are expected to increase more substantially, as the result of greater women's participation in younger age groups in past decades. Changes in the overall or total LFPR of a region, if it's declining, are due to increases in the number of people in younger or older age groups where participation rates are expected to remain relatively low.

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| Forecasting Worksheet-Region 7 |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2010 | 2015 | 2025 | 2035 |
| TOTAL DIRECT BASIC JOBS | 38,204 | 42,433 | 51,428 | 60,844 |
| Total Jobs / Total Direct Basic Jobs | 1.8 | 1.8 | 1.8 | 1.8 |
| TOTAL JOBS | 68,371 | 75,642 | 90,898 | 107,125 |
| Average Annual Percent Change | 0.5\% | 2.0\% | 1.9\% | 1.7\% |
| *Statistical Discrepancy | 1,059 | -1,980 | -3,059 | -3,762 |
| JOBS HELD (In Area by Res. \& Non-Res) | 69,413 | 81,187 | 98,603 | 116,551 |
| Average Annual Percent Change | 0.5\% | 3.2\% | 2.0\% | 1.7\% |
| + Commuters (+ = IN) | -2,504 | -3,957 | -5,019 | -6,024 |
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|  |  |  |  |  |
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|  |  |  |  |  |
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Source: Colorado State Demography Office website: http://www.dola.colorado.gov/dlg/demog/economy_worksheets.html

The forecasting worksheets attempt to integrate and / or reconcile the economic forecast of total jobs with the population forecast. The rates of growth of these two key variables can differ somewhat because of changes in the labor market, i.e., labor force participation rates, unemployment rates, multiple job holding, and/or commuting. For example, between 2010 and 2015 job growth in the region is expected to be $2.0 \%$ per year while population growth will be $1.5 \%$. This faster growth in jobs relative to the population is the result of lower unemployment a decrease in the proportion of the population that are expected to commute to work in the Denver metro area. These differences can vary over time; in the last ten years of the forecast period, 2025-2035, the population grows at a faster rate than jobs as the baby-boomer population retires and causes overall labor force participation rates to decline.

