



Colorado Restaurant Sales Second Quarter 2005

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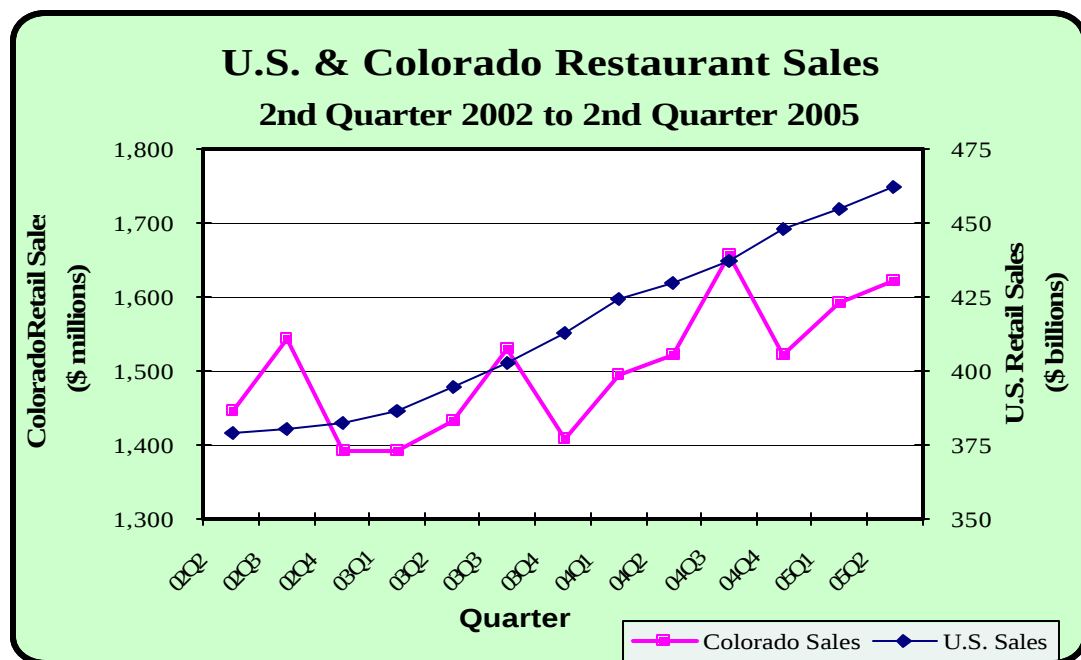
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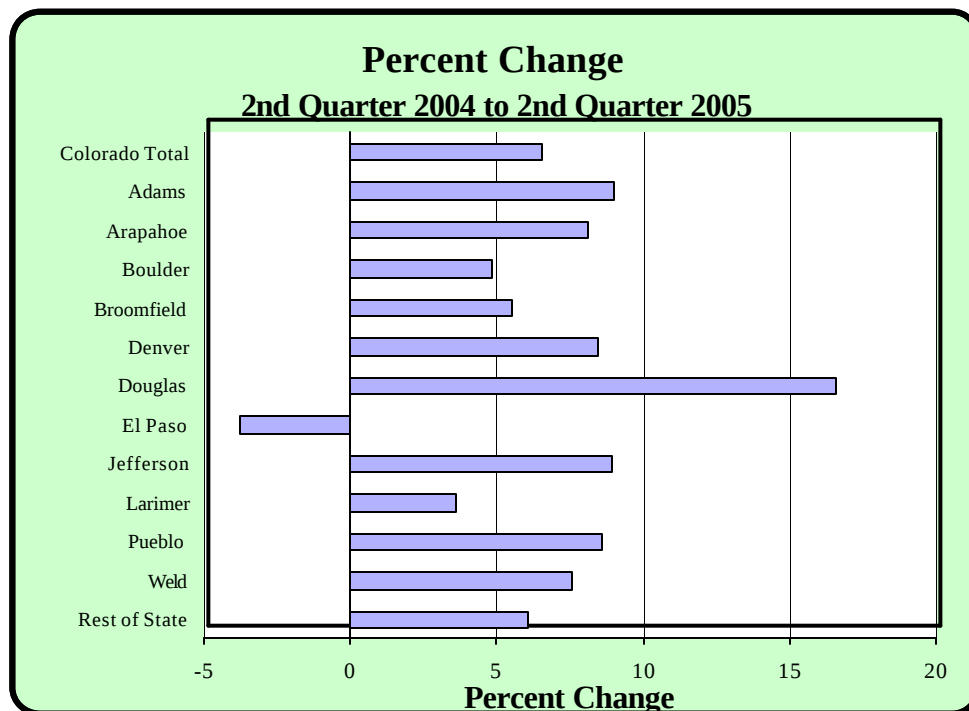
This issue presents data on Colorado restaurant sales for the second quarter 2005. Sales are presented for each of the seven Denver metro area counties; El Paso, Larimer, Pueblo, and Weld counties; and sales by restaurants in the rest of the State. For comparison, restaurant sales for the United States as a whole are also shown for the same time period. Data in this report represent sales by businesses whose primary activity is food preparation for on-premise consumption.

The data show that Colorado restaurant industry sales in the second quarter 2005 increased 6.5 percent, to about \$1.62 billion, over second quarter last year. Sales for the entire United States increased 7.5 percent, to \$462.4 billion, over the same period. As shown on the next page, Douglas County experienced the largest increase at 16.6 percent. Only El Paso County showed a decrease (-3.8 percent) over last year.

The graph below shows restaurant sales in the state compared to those in the U.S.



County	Retail Sales 2005Q2 \$000s	Retail Sales 2004Q2 \$000s	Percentage Change
Adams	\$102,467	\$94,007	9.0%
Arapahoe	189,459	175,290	8.1
Boulder	106,609	101,721	4.8
Broomfield	28,154	26,675	5.5
Denver	308,767	284,719	8.4
Douglas	89,155	76,455	16.6
El Paso	162,487	168,831	-3.8
Jefferson	185,381	170,171	8.9
Larimer	96,014	92,649	3.6
Pueblo	42,912	39,526	8.6
Weld	46,863	43,565	7.6
Rest of State	264,278	249,200	6.1
Total	\$1,622,546	\$1,522,808	6.5%



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