



Colorado Restaurant Sales

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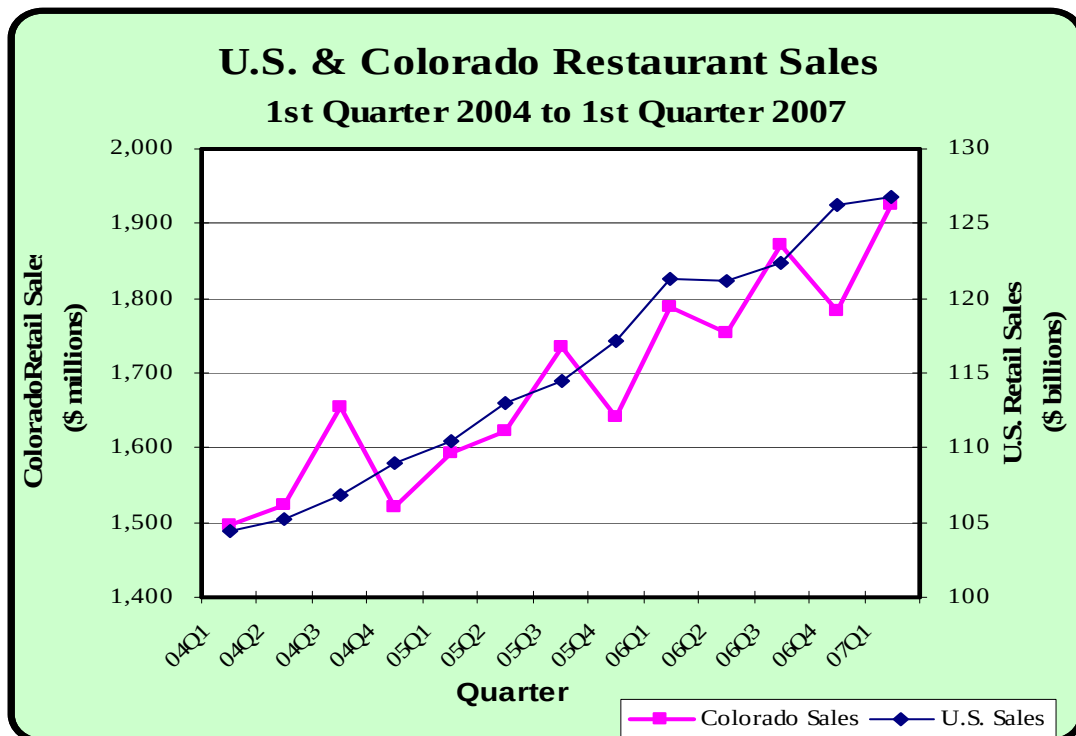
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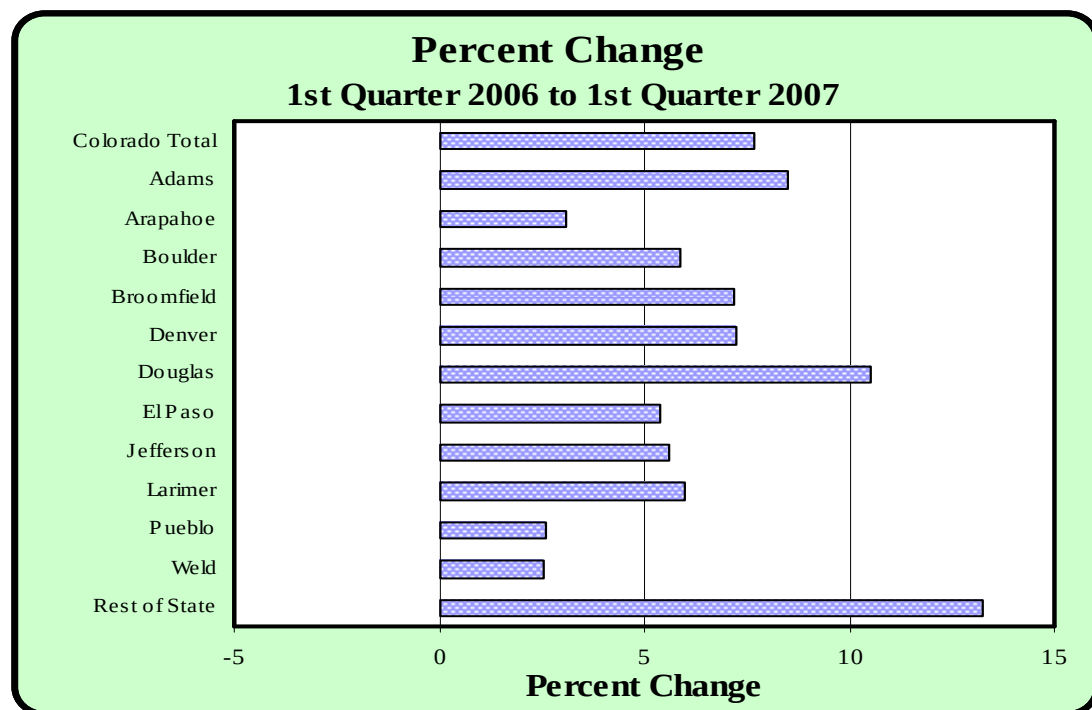
This issue presents data on Colorado restaurant sales for the first quarter 2007. Sales are presented for each of the seven Denver metro area counties; El Paso, Larimer, Pueblo, and Weld counties; and sales by restaurants in the rest of the State. For comparison, restaurant sales for the United States 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 first quarter 2007 increased 7.7 percent, to about \$1.93 billion, over first quarter last year. Sales for the entire United States increased 4.6 percent, to \$126.8 billion, over the same period. As shown on the next page, all the counties studied showed positive increases over last year. Counties comprising the “rest of state” category and Douglas County experienced double-digit increases.

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



County	Retail Sales 2007Q1 \$000s	Retail Sales 2006Q1 \$000s	Percentage Change
Adams	\$114,270	\$105,344	8.5%
Arapahoe	195,743	189,863	3.1
Boulder	116,649	110,158	5.9
Broomfield	27,624	25,767	7.2
Denver	344,335	321,082	7.2
Douglas	96,247	87,085	10.5
El Paso	181,962	172,654	5.4
Jefferson	188,294	178,274	5.6
Larimer	101,440	95,718	6.0
Pueblo	46,291	45,109	2.6
Weld	50,563	49,301	2.6
Rest of State	462,758	408,519	13.3
Total	\$1,926,178	\$1,788,875	7.7%



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