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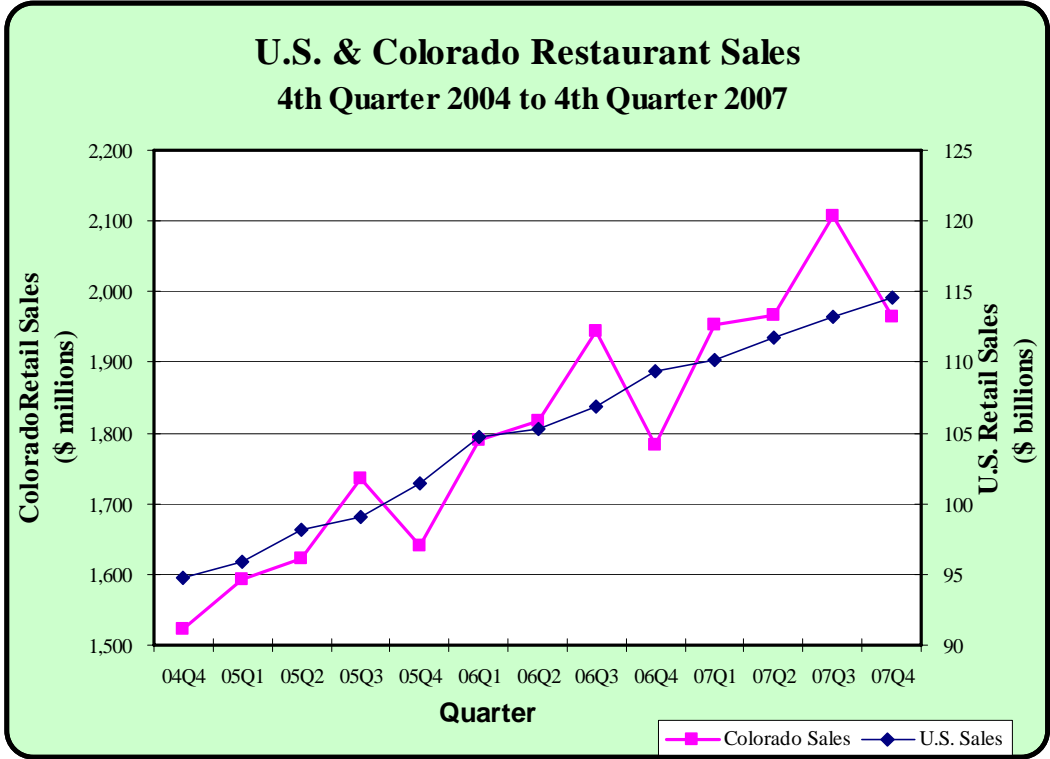
**Colorado Restaurant Sales**  
**Selected Counties**

**Fourth Quarter 2007**

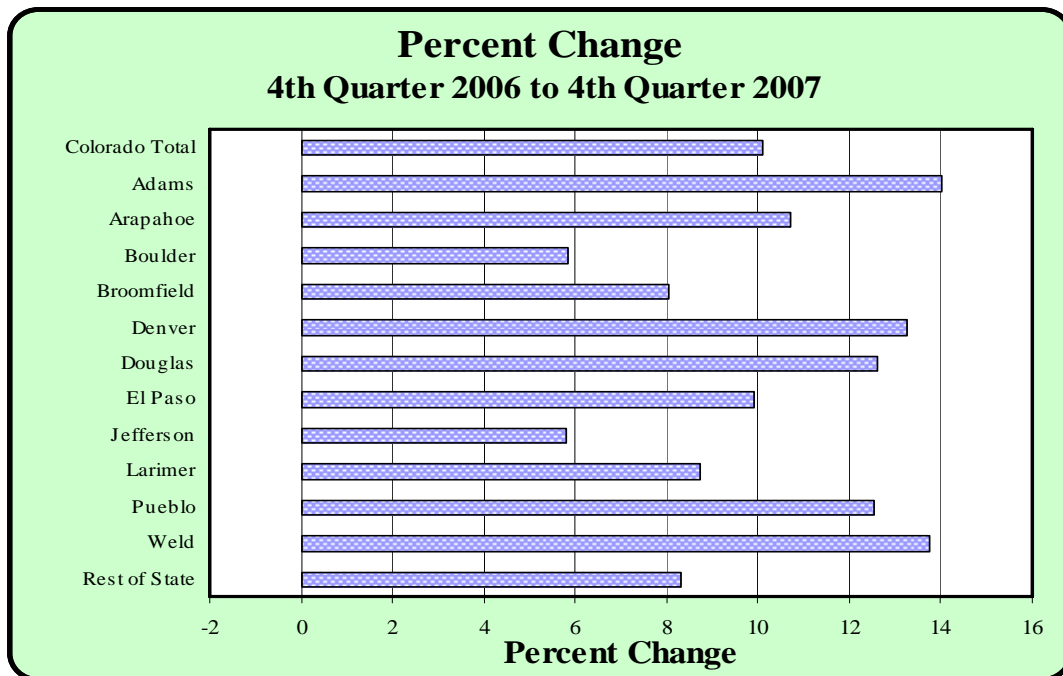
This issue presents data on Colorado restaurant sales for the fourth quarter 2007. Sales are presented for each of the seven Denver metro area counties; El Paso, Larimer, Pueblo, and Weld counties; and sales by restaurants in the rest of the State. For comparison, restaurant sales for the United States 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-premises consumption.

The data show that Colorado restaurant industry sales in the fourth quarter 2007 increased 10.1 percent, to about \$1.96 billion, over fourth quarter last year. Sales for the entire United States increased 4.8 percent, to \$114.6 billion, over the same period. As shown on the next page, all the counties studied showed positive increases over last year. The reader should note the source of the national figures has been changed to unadjusted Census Bureau retail sales.

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



<b>County</b>	<b>Retail Sales 2007Q4 \$000s</b>	<b>Retail Sales 2006Q4 \$000s</b>	<b>Percentage Change</b>
Adams	\$121,815	\$106,844	14.0%
Arapahoe	216,208	195,325	10.7
Boulder	124,345	117,488	5.8
Broomfield	29,441	27,246	8.1
Denver	386,365	341,183	13.2
Douglas	105,508	93,697	12.6
El Paso	196,929	179,175	9.9
Jefferson	198,576	187,716	5.8
Larimer	111,170	102,245	8.7
Pueblo	51,646	45,894	12.5
Weld	56,655	49,804	13.8
Rest of State	365,404	337,311	8.3
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,964,062</b>	<b>\$1,783,928</b>	<b>10.1%</b>



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