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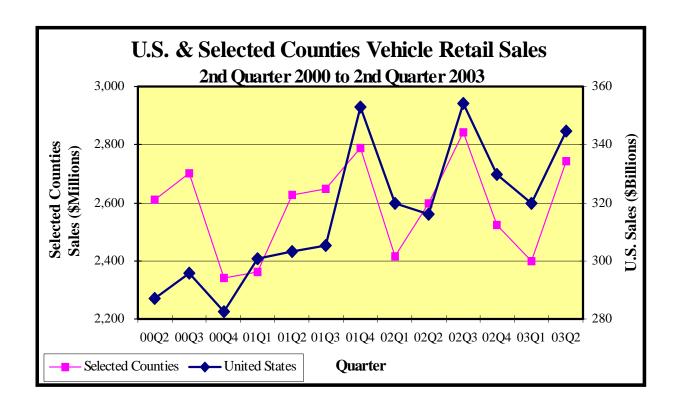
Colorado Motor Vehicle Sales

Selected Counties

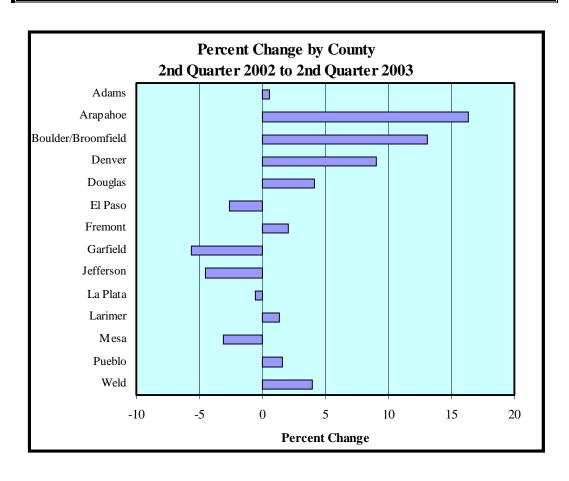
Second Quarter 2003

This issue presents data on second quarter 2003 motor vehicle retail sales for each of the seven Denver metro counties and the counties of El Paso, Larimer, Pueblo, Weld, Fremont, Garfield, La Plata, and Mesa. Broomfield County's sales are combined with those in Boulder County. In addition, the graph below compares sales of new and used cars and trucks for the United States as a whole to total sales of the counties listed above for the same period.

Sales of motor vehicles in the counties reviewed increased 14.3 percent to \$2.74 billion in second quarter 2003 over first quarter 2003. The data also show that sales of motor vehicles in the counties reviewed increased 5.6 percent in second quarter 2003 over second quarter 2002. Nationally, sales of motor vehicles increased 9.1 percent over last year to about \$344.9 billion. As shown on the next page, the largest county reviewed, Arapahoe County, posted the largest increase at 16.4 percent. Garfield County posted the largest decrease at – 5.6 percent compared to last year.



	RETAIL	RETAIL	
	SALES 2003Q2	SALES 2002Q2	PERCENTAGE
COUNTY	\$000s	\$000s	CHANGE
Adams	\$230,620	\$229,422	0.5%
Arapahoe	819,661	704,434	16.4
Boulder/Broomfield	225,320	199,202	13.1
Denver	245,047	224,735	9.0
Douglas	90,582	87,020	4.1
El Paso	310,800	319,274	-2.7
Fremont	9,664	9,470	2.0
Garfield	43,878	46,488	-5.6
Jefferson	306,284	320,757	-4.5
La Plata	25,259	25,399	-0.6
Larimer	157,020	154,976	1.3
Mesa	81,998	84,618	-3.1
Pueblo	70,180	69,064	1.6
Weld	126,850	121,980	4.0
TOTAL	\$2,743,164	\$2,596,840	5.6%



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