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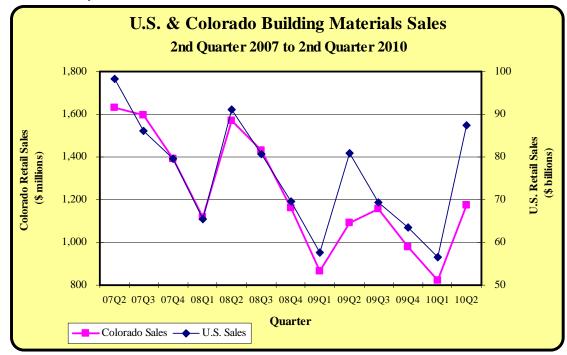
Colorado Building Material Sales Selected Counties

Second Quarter 2010

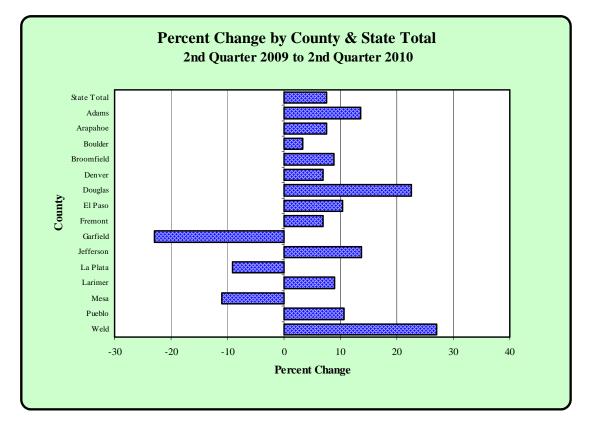
This issue presents data on Colorado building materials sales for the second quarter 2010. This report shows retail sales for each of the seven Denver metro area counties and for the counties of El Paso, Fremont, Garfield, La Plata, Larimer, Mesa, Pueblo, and Weld. The types of retailers included in the chart on the next page are home centers, paint and wallcovering stores, hardware stores, and specialized building material dealers. The period shown in this report is the second quarter of 2010 compared to the second quarter of 2009.

The graph below shows national versus Colorado retail sales. It is important to note that both the national and Colorado data in this graph include sales by outdoor equipment stores and nurseries as well as the categories listed in the above paragraph. Nationally, sales of building materials increased 8.2 percent to \$87.5 billion in the second quarter 2010 over the second quarter 2009. Colorado's retail sales of building materials were \$1,173.2 million in second quarter 2010, 7.6 percent above the same quarter from a year ago.

Sales in the counties comprising this report increased 8.9 percent over last year. Weld, Pueblo, Jefferson, El Paso, Douglas and Adams counties showed a double-digit increase over last year. Larimer, Fremont, Denver, Broomfield, Boulder and Arapahoe counties showed a single digit increase over last year.



County	Retail Sales 2010Q2 \$000s	Retail Sales 2009Q2 \$000s	Percent Change
Adams	\$109,448	\$96,370	13.6%
Arapahoe	135,005	125,525	7.6
Boulder	67,150	64,963	3.4
Broomfield	11,483	10,554	8.8
Denver	154,095	144,167	6.9
Douglas	79,894	65,173	22.6
El Paso	126,948	114,996	10.4
Fremont	10,106	9,450	6.9
Garfield	16,338	21,190	-22.9
Jefferson	124,150	109,203	13.7
La Plata	17,301	19,037	-9.1
Larimer	83,712	76,820	9.0
Mesa	35,817	40,244	-11.0
Pueblo	36,024	32,550	10.7
Weld	39,050	30,743	27.0
Selected Counties Total	\$1,046,520	\$960,986	8.9%
State Total	\$1,173,161	\$1,090,675	7.6%



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