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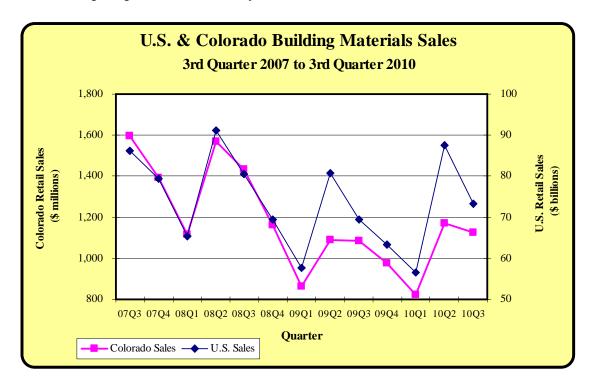
Colorado Building Material Sales Selected Counties

Third Quarter 2010

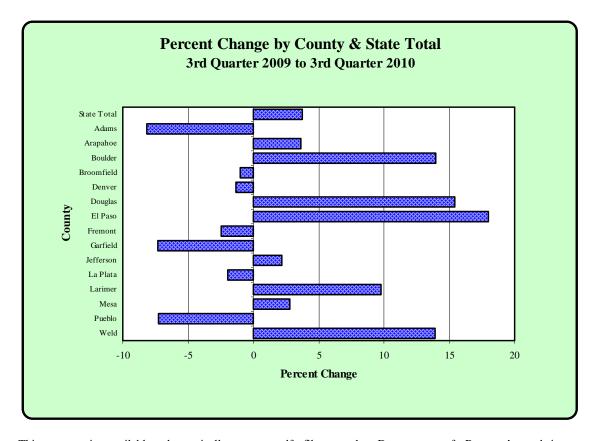
This issue presents data on Colorado building materials sales for the third quarter 2010. This report shows retail sales for each of the seven Denver metro area counties and for the counties of El Paso, Fremont, Garfield, La Plata, Larimer, Mesa, Pueblo, and Weld. The types of retailers included in the 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 third quarter of 2010 compared to the third quarter of 2009.

The graph below shows national versus Colorado retail sales. Nationally, sales of building materials increased 5.5 percent to \$73.2 billion in the third quarter 2010 over the third quarter 2009. Colorado's retail sales of building materials were \$1,127 million in the third quarter 2010, a 3.8 percent increase over the same quarter in 2009.

Sales in the counties comprising this report increased 4.2 percent over last year. Boulder, Douglas, El Paso and Weld counties showed a double-digit increase over last year. Arapahoe, Jefferson, Larimer, and Mesa counties showed a single digit increase over last year.



County	Retail Sales 2010Q3 \$000s	Retail Sales 2009Q3 \$000s	Percent Change
Adams	\$102,936	\$112,054	-8.1%
Arapahoe	116,522	112,444	3.6%
Boulder	64,709	56,769	14.0%
Broomfield	9,674	9,774	-1.0%
Denver	160,528	162,676	-1.3%
Douglas	66,351	57,481	15.4%
El Paso	130,031	110,195	18.0%
Fremont	8,840	9,063	-2.5%
Garfield	17,018	18,362	-7.3%
Jefferson	111,216	108,830	2.2%
La Plata	17,976	18,335	-2.0%
Larimer	81,592	74,317	9.8%
Mesa	33,366	32,460	2.8%
Pueblo	30,940	33,354	-7.2%
Weld	35,275	30,966	13.9%
Selected Counties Total	\$986,976	\$947,080	4.2%
State Total	\$1,126,883	\$1,085,939	3.8%



This report is available electronically as a .pdf file on the Department of Revenue's website at http://www.colorado.gov/revenue under Library, Statistical Studies and Reports, Colorado Selected Retail Sales Reports. It is also available as a Word document. If you would like to receive the report in Word, please contact the Office of Research and Analysis at 303-866-5777 or send an e-mail to ora@spike.dor.state.co.us.