

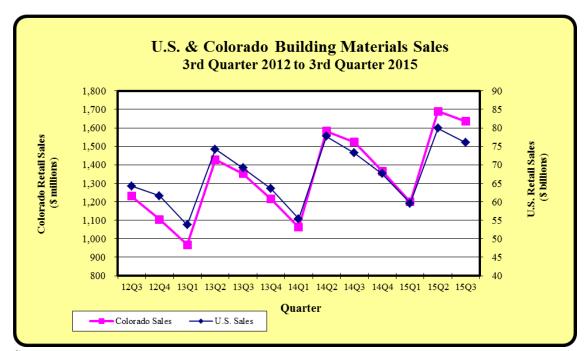
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Colorado Building Material Sales Selected Counties

Third Quarter of 2015

This issue presents data on Colorado building material sales for third quarter 2015. 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 this report are home centers, paint and wall-covering stores, hardware stores, and specialized building material dealers. The period shown in this report is the third quarter of 2015 compared to the third quarter of 2014.

The graph below shows national versus Colorado retail sales. Nationally, sales of building materials increased 3.9 percent to \$76 billion in third quarter 2015 compared to \$73.1 billion in third quarter 2014. Colorado's retail sales of building materials increased 7.4 percent to \$1.63 billion in third quarter 2015, compared to \$1.52 billion in third quarter 2014.

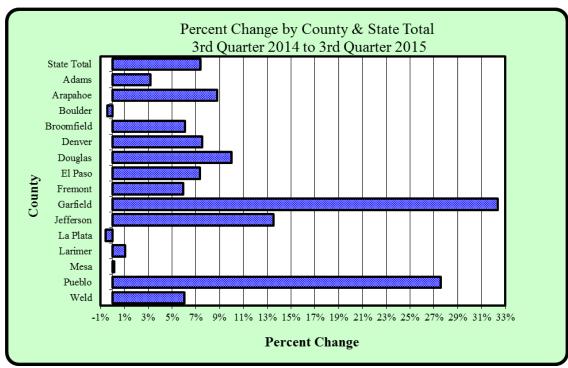


Sources: Census Bureau: Monthly Retail Trade Report; Colorado Department of Revenue: State Sales Tax Returns

Overall the annual change in Colorado building material sales in the selected counties was positive. The three counties with the largest increases in building materials sales were Garfield County (+32.4 %), Pueblo County (+27.6%) and Jefferson County (+13.5 percent).

County	Retail Sales 2014Q3 \$000s	Retail Sales 2015Q3 \$000s	Percent Change
ADAMS	140,552	145,084	3.2%
ARAPAHOE	155,604	169,341	8.8%
BOULDER	74,348	74,019	-0.4%
BROOMFIELD	11,727	12,443	6.1%
DENVER	280,298	301,466	7.6%
DOUGLAS	82,138	90,363	10.0%
EL PASO	158,116	169,766	7.4%
FREMONT	10,446	11,065	5.9%
GARFIELD	21,006	27,802	32.4%
JEFFERSON	129,179	146,657	13.5%
LA PLATA	23,160	23,032	-0.6%
LARIMER	121,038	122,315	1.1%
MESA	38,018	38,070	0.1%
PUEBLO	29,625	37,807	27.6%
WELD	73,762	78,220	6.0%
Selected Counties TTL	1,349,017	1,447,450	7.3%
STATE TOTAL	1,522,410	1,635,084	7.4%

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