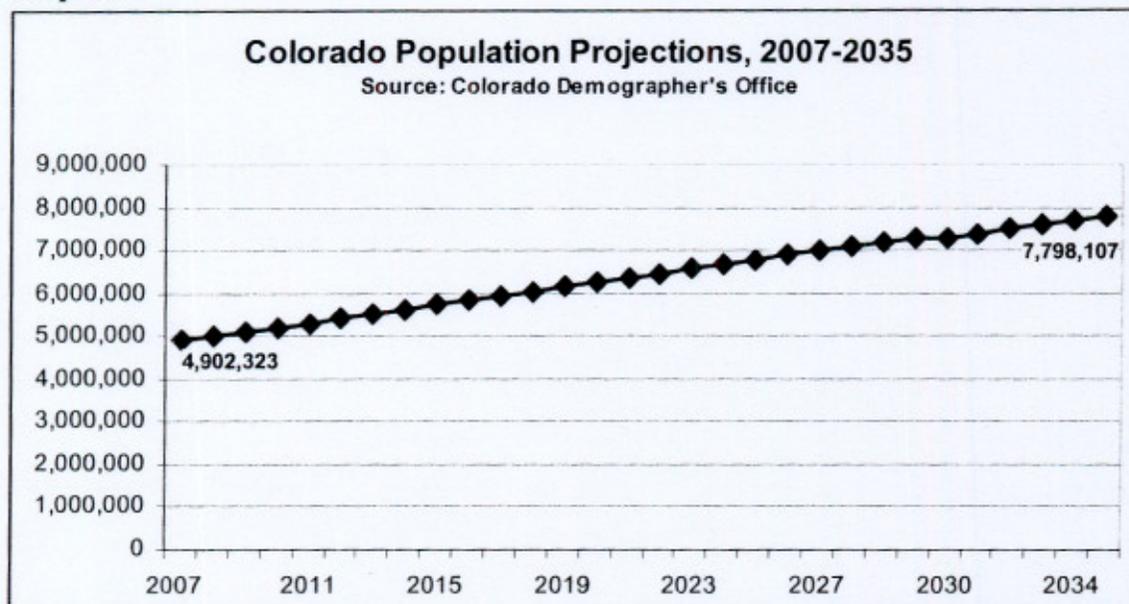


Question: What is the projected annual growth in population, both statewide and regionally?¹

Between 2007 and 2035, the State demographer's Office projects that statewide population will grow from 4,338,789 to 7,798,107. This is a compound annual average growth rate of 1.56% and a total projected population growth of 59.07% over the period. Graph 1 shows the annual population projections for the state.

Graph 1



For projection purposes, the state is broken up regionally into the following regions: Front Range, Western Slope, Central Mountains, San Luis Valley, and Eastern Plains. The Front Range includes the Denver and Boulder Principal Metropolitan Statistical Areas, and the Fort Collins, Greeley, Colorado Springs and Pueblo Metropolitan Statistical Areas. Table 1 shows the projections for compound annual average growth (CAAGR) and overall growth rates by region for the period 2007-2035.

Table 1

<i>For the period 2007-2035</i>	<i>Front Range</i>	<i>Western Slope</i>	<i>Central Mountains</i>	<i>San Luis Valley</i>	<i>Eastern Plains</i>
CAAGR	1.46%	2.47%	2.02%	1.01%	1.46%
Overall Growth Rate	54.53%	90.62%	82.31%	35.12	54.36%

¹ The source for these population projections is the State Demography Office. Data is available at http://www.dola.state.co.us/dlg/demog/pop/colo_forecasts.html and further breakdowns by region and by county are available.

Table 2: Colorado Population Projections 2007-2035, State Overall and by Region

	FRONT RANGE	WESTERN SLOPE	CENTRAL MOUNTAINS	SAN LUIS VALLEY	EASTERN PLAINS	COLORADO
2007	4,009,360	538,452	137,661	49,765	167,085	4,902,323
2008	4,090,630	553,536	140,788	50,419	169,617	5,004,990
2009	4,173,471	569,053	144,049	51,047	172,279	5,109,899
2010	4,250,200	585,313	147,571	51,720	175,088	5,209,892
2011	4,327,235	602,410	151,269	52,402	178,139	5,311,455
2012	4,404,749	619,872	155,670	53,094	181,312	5,414,697
2013	4,482,547	637,597	160,173	53,785	184,547	5,518,649
2014	4,561,407	655,359	164,912	54,484	187,948	5,624,110
2015	4,640,099	673,125	169,830	55,166	191,424	5,729,644
2016	4,718,649	690,947	174,738	55,834	194,965	5,835,133
2017	4,798,159	708,812	179,534	56,554	198,547	5,941,606
2018	4,876,980	726,629	184,395	57,232	202,118	6,047,354
2019	4,954,804	744,501	189,231	57,912	205,777	6,152,225
2020	5,032,333	762,886	194,098	58,560	209,404	6,257,281
2021	5,110,200	781,342	198,976	59,218	213,031	6,362,767
2022	5,187,904	799,700	203,797	59,852	216,726	6,467,979
2023	5,266,523	818,164	208,613	60,515	220,444	6,574,259
2024	5,346,051	836,211	213,288	61,124	224,127	6,680,801
2025	5,425,645	854,379	217,820	61,728	227,735	6,787,307
2026	5,505,087	871,975	221,802	62,327	231,229	6,892,420
2027	5,582,993	889,640	225,362	62,927	234,605	6,995,527
2028	5,660,365	907,252	228,784	63,496	237,785	7,097,682
2029	5,736,703	924,707	232,134	64,080	240,794	7,198,418
2030	5,812,313	941,991	235,396	64,648	243,746	7,298,094
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2031	5,887,132	959,134	238,601	65,197	246,670	7,396,734
2032	5,963,529	976,143	241,778	65,729	249,558	7,496,737
2033	6,040,110	993,029	244,887	66,256	252,381	7,596,663
2034	6,117,740	1,009,772	247,937	66,744	255,194	7,697,387
2035	6,195,569	1,026,411	250,965	67,242	257,920	7,798,107