



# Colorado Building Materials Sales

## Selected Counties

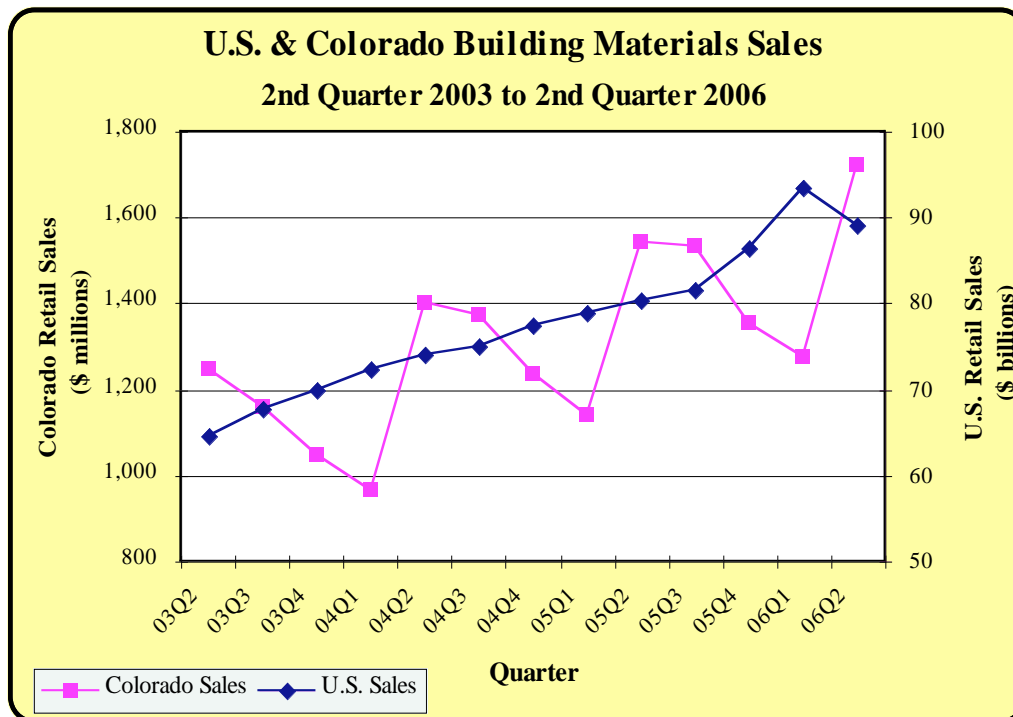
### Second Quarter 2006

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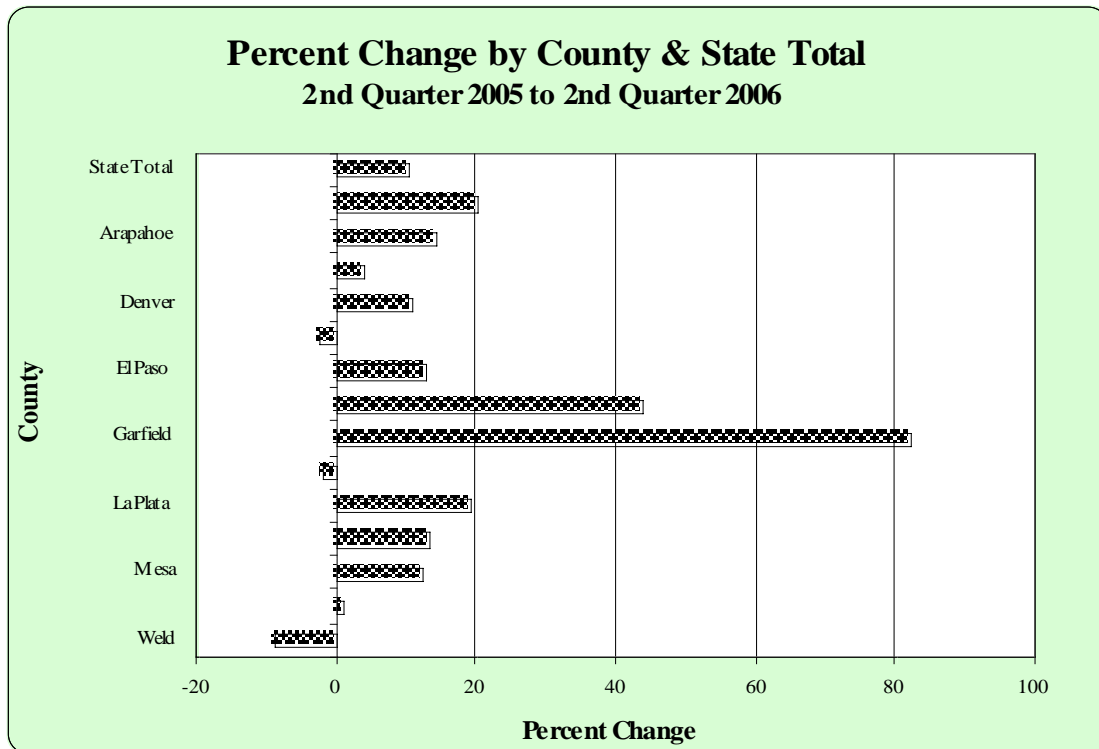
This issue presents data on Colorado building materials sales for the second quarter 2006. This report shows retail sales for each of the seven Denver metro area counties and for the counties of El Paso, Fremont, Garfield, La Plata, Larimer, Mesa, Pueblo, and Weld. Broomfield County's sales are combined with those in Boulder County. 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 2006 compared to the second quarter of 2005.

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 10.7 percent to \$89.0 billion in the second quarter 2006 over the second quarter 2005. Colorado's retail sales of \$1,722.0 million in second quarter 2006 were 11.5 percent above the same quarter from a year ago.

The state as a whole increased 10.4 percent over last year. The largest gain in the second quarter 2006 over the same quarter last year occurred in Garfield County (+82.2 percent). Weld County experienced the largest decrease at 9.2 percent.



County	Retail Sales 2006Q2 \$000s	Retail Sales 2005Q2 \$000s	Percent Change
Adams	\$151,815	\$126,279	20.2%
Arapahoe	160,267	140,635	14.0
Boulder/Broomfield	97,873	94,288	3.8
Denver	220,334	198,989	10.7
Douglas	114,867	118,120	-2.8
El Paso	174,726	155,063	12.7
Fremont	13,521	9,410	43.7
Garfield	23,940	13,140	82.2
Jefferson	127,121	130,185	-2.4
La Plata	23,321	19,576	19.1
Larimer	107,149	94,632	13.2
Mesa	56,943	50,828	12.0
Pueblo	40,447	40,184	0.7
Weld	56,283	61,988	-9.2
<b>Selected Counties Total</b>	<b>\$1,368,608</b>	<b>\$1,253,317</b>	<b>9.2%</b>
<b>State Total</b>	<b>\$1,597,537</b>	<b>\$1,446,788</b>	<b>10.4%</b>



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