



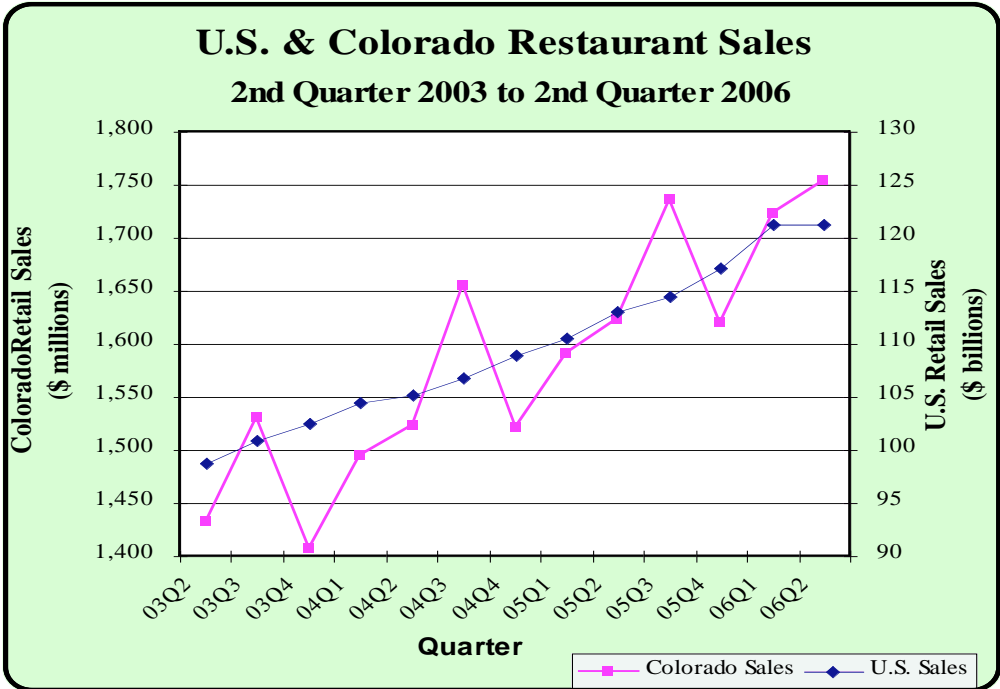
# Colorado Restaurant Sales Second Quarter 2006

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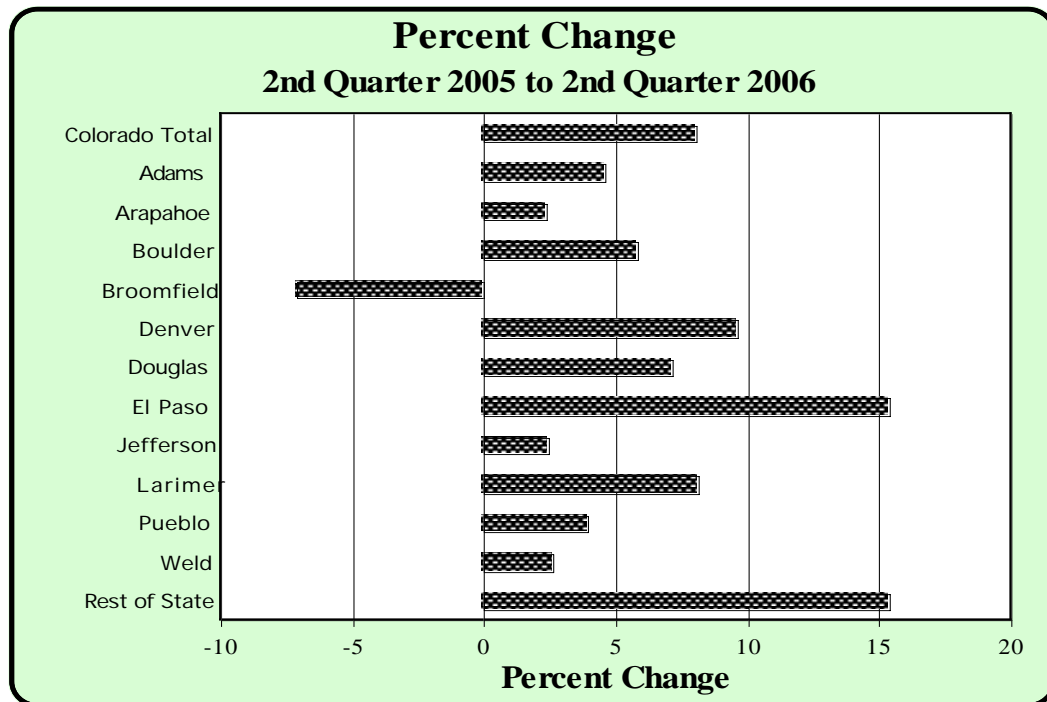
This issue presents data on Colorado restaurant sales for the second quarter 2006. Sales are presented for each of the seven Denver metro area counties; El Paso, Larimer, Pueblo, and Weld counties; and sales by restaurants in the rest of the State. For comparison, restaurant sales for the United States as a whole are also shown for the same time period. Data in this report represent sales by businesses whose primary activity is food preparation for on-premise consumption.

The data show that Colorado restaurant industry sales in the second quarter 2006 increased 8.0 percent, to about \$1.75 billion, over second quarter last year. Sales for the entire United States increased 7.4 percent, to \$121.3 billion, over the same period. As shown on the next page, El Paso County and counties comprising the “rest of state” category both saw increases of 15.4 percent. The City and County of Broomfield was the only county to post a decrease over last year; sales there decreased 7.1 percent.

The graph below shows restaurant sales in the state compared to those in the U.S.



County	Retail Sales 2006Q2 \$000s	Retail Sales 2005Q2 \$000s	Percentage Change
Adams	\$107,185	\$102,467	4.6%
Arapahoe	193,869	189,459	2.3
Boulder	112,810	106,609	5.8
Broomfield	26,150	28,154	-7.1
Denver	338,360	308,767	9.6
Douglas	95,544	89,155	7.2
El Paso	187,523	162,487	15.4
Jefferson	189,974	185,381	2.5
Larimer	103,806	96,014	8.1
Pueblo	44,597	42,912	3.9
Weld	48,089	46,863	2.6
Rest of State	304,914	264,278	15.4
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,752,821</b>	<b>\$1,622,546</b>	<b>8.0%</b>



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