

Types of Data Available

Population Estimates and Forecasts

- Totals
- Age & Gender Groups
- Race & Ethnic Groups

Components of Change

- Births & Deaths
- Migration

Housing

- Housing Units
- Group Quarters
- Building Permits

Households

- Type; Age of Households; Income

Economic Characteristics of the Population

- Labor Force Status
- Veteran Status
- Occupation
- Jobs by Industry
- Place of Work; Journey to Work
- Income of Households, Families and Persons

Geographic Areas & Maps

- Boundary Maps
- Descriptions of Geographic Areas

The Economy

- Jobs
- Personal & Household Income
- Industry Detail
- Economic Base Analyses
- Economic Forecasts
- Employment data
- Poverty
- State, County, Municipal & School District Profiles

Social Characteristics of the Population

- Ancestry; Citizenship; Place of Birth
- Language Spoken at Home
- Ability to Speak English
- School Enrollment
- Educational Attainment
- Disability



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HOUSING & HOUSEHOLDS
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The State Demography Office is designated by CRS 24-32-204 to be the primary state agency for population or demographic information. Its data are used by state agencies to forecast demand for facilities and services. These data are also used by local governments and non-profit organizations in the state to anticipate growth or decline and to plan and develop programs and community resources. Businesses and investors use population data to analyze and forecast the markets for products and services. Data are developed in ways that account for local perspectives and needs and are made publicly available on our website.



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Population Data

Population data are defined by three main types based on their date of reference and how they are obtained or developed. These are:

- ***Census**, which are complete surveys. The office assists state and local governments with needs and concerns relating to the decennial census.
- ***Estimates** of the total population for Colorado counties, municipalities and certain special districts.
- ***Forecasts** for the counties and regions of the state by age and gender and ethnicity/race to the year 2040.

Housing & Households

An inventory of housing units by type and group quarters is compiled and maintained. These data are the foundation for the decennial census and used in preparing estimates and in developing the forecasts of households.

The Census

The Census Bureau collects social and economic characteristics of the population in part to determine the needs for federal grant programs. These data are collected via the Decennial Census and American Community Survey. Our office processes and makes these data available to the public. Local governments use this information to better understand their communities and to identify needs.

The Economy

The Office uses state and county economic analyses and forecasts to prepare population forecasts, greatly improving their accuracy.

Utilizing this data, the Office has developed the program of Local Economic Information and Forecasting Assistance (LEIFA). LEIFA includes the preparation of economic data by industrial sectors, the identification of county basic industries and the development of initial regional and county forecasts. We work with local governments in understanding their regional economy and the potential demographic impacts from different base industries.

The Labor Force

The link between the population and the economy is the labor force. Determining the impact of the economic forecasts by county involves a number of key variables, including:

- *Labor force participation rates
- *% of the labor force that is unemployed
- *Multiple job holders
- *Number of commuters in/out of the county

GIS Data/ Maps

The Office collects boundaries from municipalities and special districts via the Conservation Trust Fund program which are integrated into a GIS for our annual population estimates program. We also manage state participation in census geographic programs

Thematic and reference maps are available on our website; custom maps are available by request.



Data Dissemination

The State Demography Office is committed to increasing data accessibility for the public. This includes informing state agencies, local governments and the news media of new demographic developments and assisting them in understanding and interpreting demographic data and information.

Additional services and products include:

- *Economic and demographic data requests
- *User training workshops on how to access and use available data
- *Presentations on economic and demographic data and trends
- *General data use assistance