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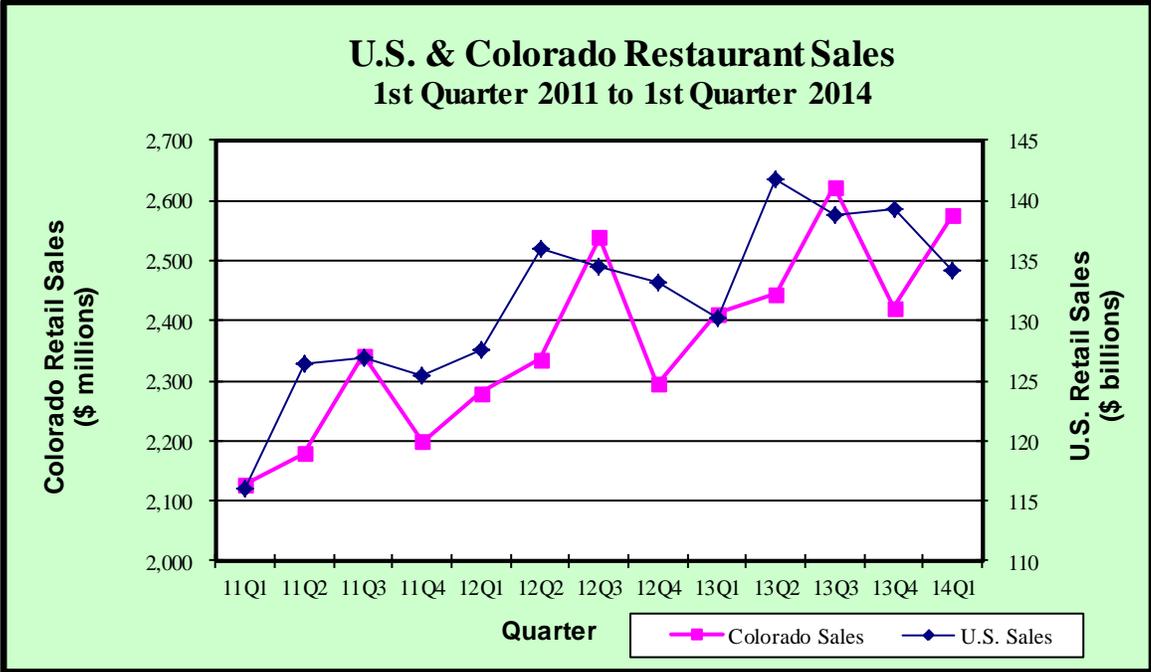
Colorado Restaurant Sales Selected Counties

First Quarter of 2014

This issue presents data on first quarter 2014 Colorado restaurant retail sales for each of the seven Denver metro counties and the counties of El Paso, Larimer, Pueblo, Weld, 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-premises consumption.

Colorado restaurant industry sales in the first quarter of 2014 increased 6.8 percent to about \$2.58 billion, over the first quarter of 2013. Sales for the entire United States increased 3 percent to \$134.1 billion over the same period. As shown on the next page, all the selected counties showed moderate, positive growth. All but one of the percent increases are in the single digits. Leading was Denver County with an increase of 10.9 percent.

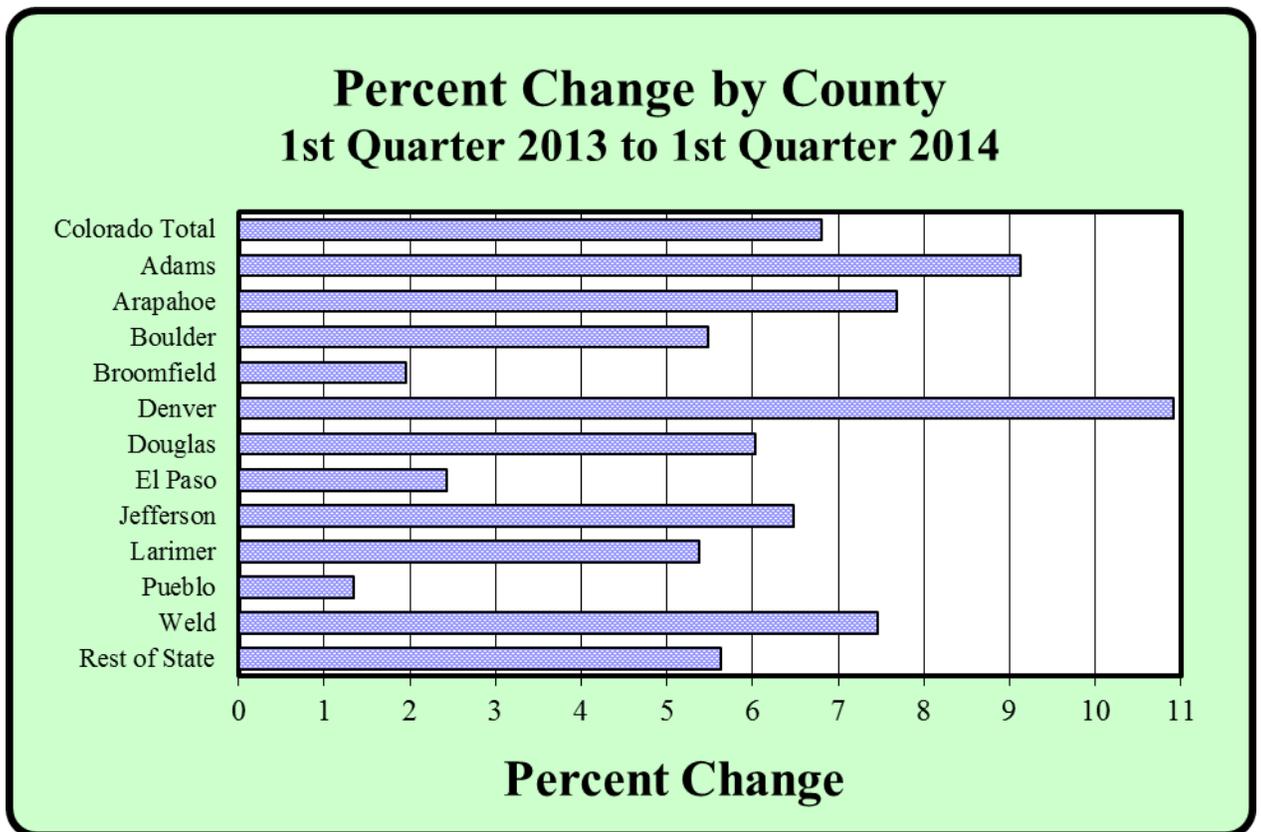
The graph below shows restaurant sales in the state compared to those in the U.S.



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

County	Retail Sales 2013Q1 \$000s	Retail Sales 2014Q1 \$000s	Percentage Change
Adams	\$ 148,667	\$ 162,228	9.1%
Arapahoe	257,648	277,450	7.7%
Boulder	142,468	150,279	5.5%
Broomfield	27,225	27,754	1.9%
Denver	483,384	536,102	10.9%
Douglas	120,712	127,987	6.0%
El Paso	234,857	240,559	2.4%
Jefferson	223,304	237,767	6.5%
Larimer	133,627	140,796	5.4%
Pueblo	54,168	54,891	1.3%
Weld	65,492	70,371	7.4%
Rest of State	520,345	549,591	5.6%
Total	\$ 2,411,897	\$ 2,575,775	6.8%

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