



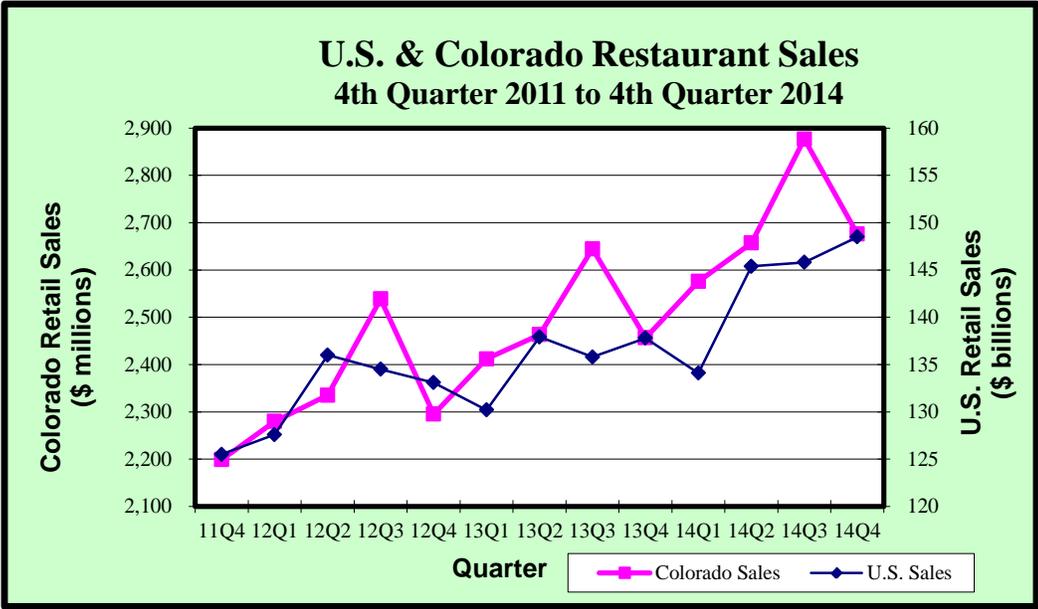
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## Colorado Restaurant Sales Selected Counties

### Fourth Quarter of 2014

This issue presents data on fourth 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.

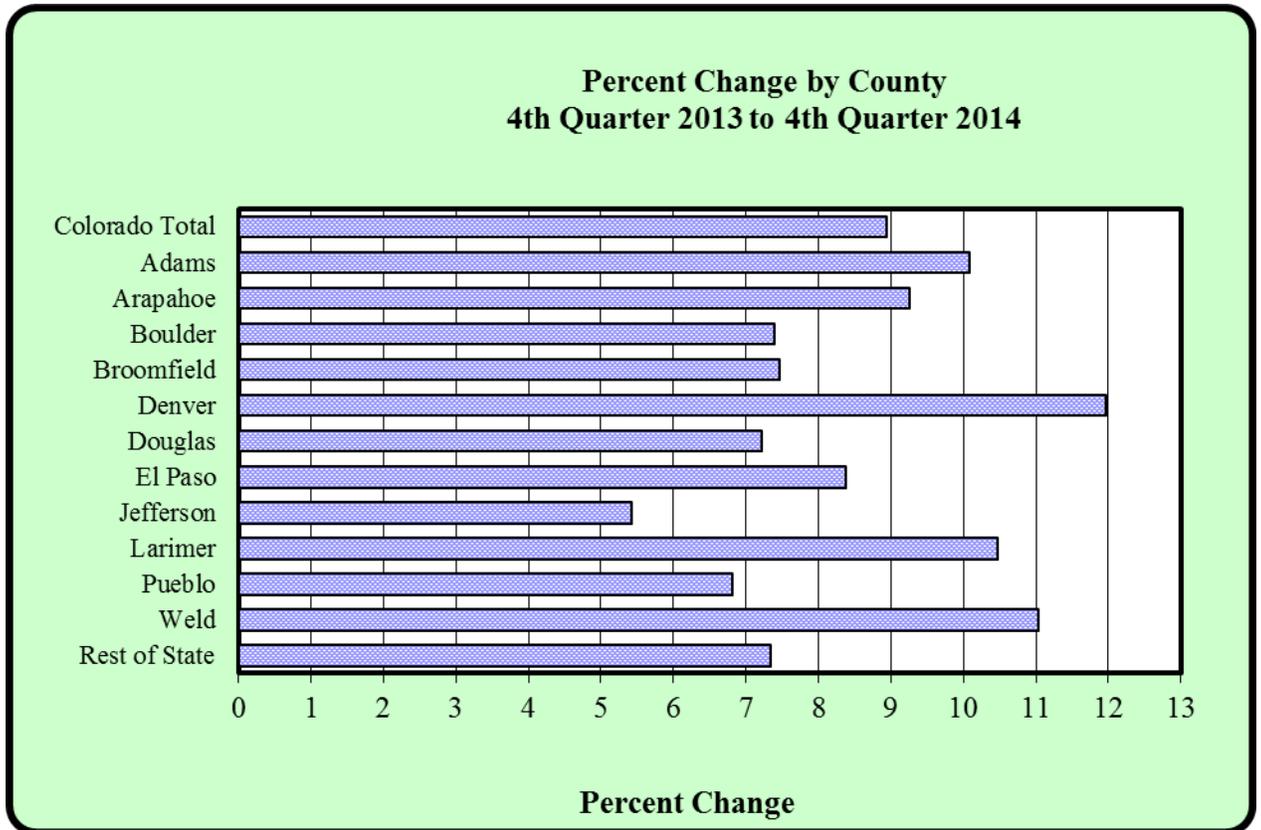
Colorado restaurant industry sales in the fourth quarter of 2014 increased 8.9 percent over the fourth quarter of 2013, to \$2.676 billion. Sales for the entire United States increased 7.7 percent to \$148.5 billion over the same period. As shown on the next page, all the selected counties showed moderate, positive growth. Leading was Denver County with an increase of 12 percent. The graph below shows restaurant sales in the state compared to those in the U.S. for the last three years.



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

County	Retail Sales 2013Q4 \$000s	Retail Sales 2014Q4 \$000s	Percentage Change
Adams	\$ 160,194	\$ 176,331	10.1%
Arapahoe	280,254	306,163	9.2%
Boulder	158,649	170,382	7.4%
Broomfield	29,936	32,166	7.4%
Denver	529,623	592,958	12.0%
Douglas	136,751	146,619	7.2%
El Paso	244,518	264,997	8.4%
Jefferson	244,083	257,326	5.4%
Larimer	147,299	162,709	10.5%
Pueblo	54,182	57,872	6.8%
Weld	73,162	81,224	11.0%
Rest of State	397,930	427,144	7.3%
<b>STATE TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 2,456,581</b>	<b>\$ 2,675,891</b>	<b>8.9%</b>

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