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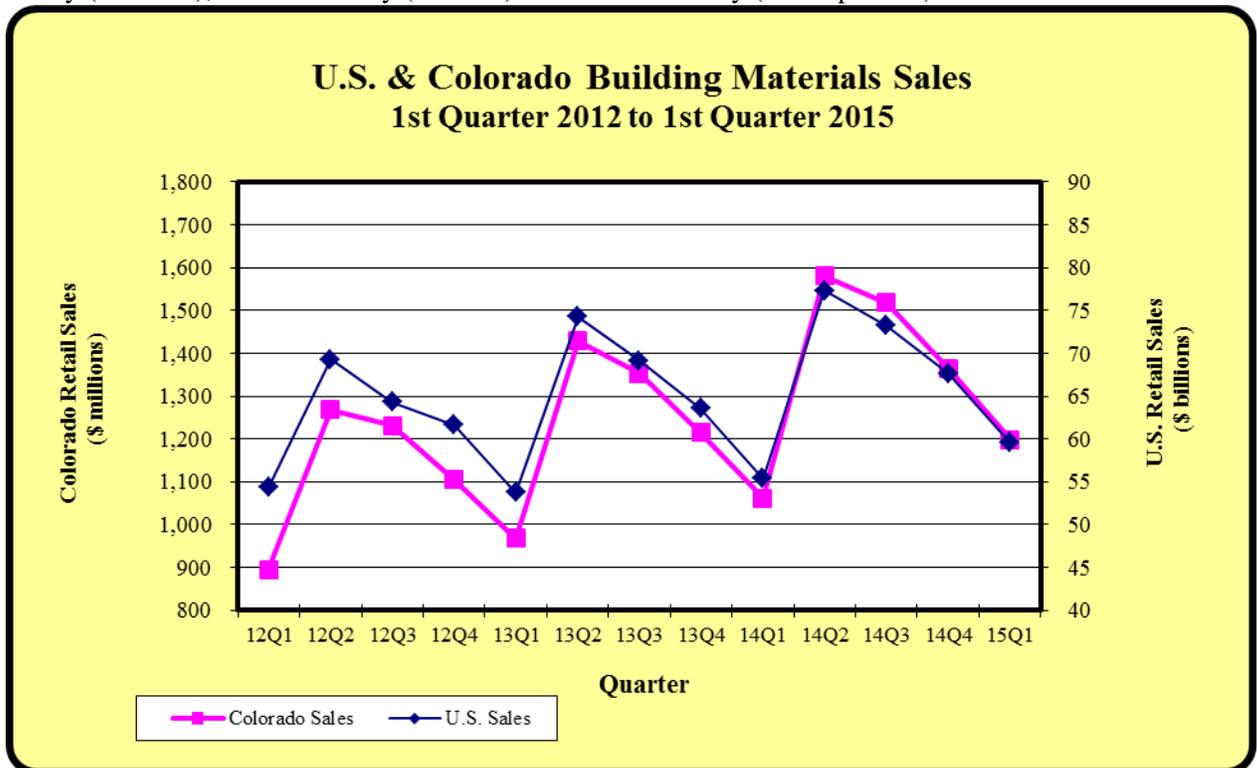
## Colorado Building Material Sales Selected Counties

### First Quarter of 2015

This issue presents data on Colorado building material sales for first quarter 2015. 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. The types of retailers included in this report are home centers, paint and wall-covering stores, hardware stores, and specialized building material dealers. The period shown in this report is the first quarter of 2015 compared to the first quarter of 2014.

The graph below shows national versus Colorado retail sales. Nationally, sales of building materials increased 7.6 percent to \$59.6 billion in first quarter 2015 compared to \$55.4 billion in first quarter 2014. Colorado's retail sales of building materials increased 12.9 percent to \$1.19 billion in first quarter 2015, compared to \$1.06 billion in first quarter 2014.

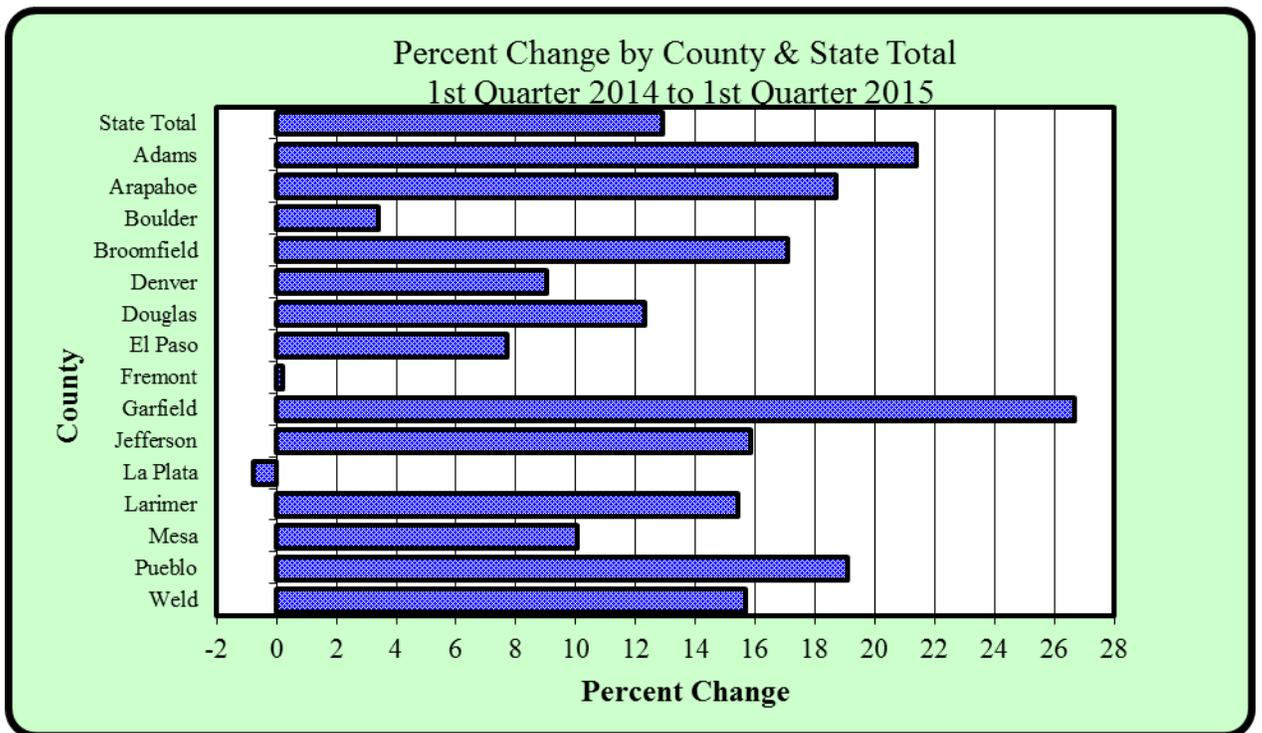
Overall the annual change in Colorado building material sales in the selected counties was positive. The three counties with the largest increases in building materials sales were Garfield County (+26.7 %), Adams County (+21.4%) and Pueblo County (+19.1 percent).



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

County	Retail Sales 2014Q1 \$000s	Retail Sales 2015Q1 \$000s	Percent Change
ADAMS	89,475	108,633	21.4%
ARAPAHOE	110,705	131,400	18.7%
BOULDER	53,512	55,348	3.4%
BROOMFIELD	8,032	9,403	17.1%
DENVER	214,252	233,592	9.0%
DOUGLAS	54,940	61,710	12.3%
EL PASO	111,028	119,618	7.7%
FREMONT	7,735	7,753	0.2%
GARFIELD	14,416	18,260	26.7%
JEFFERSON	94,019	108,909	15.8%
LA PLATA	15,222	15,105	-0.8%
LARIMER	78,044	90,095	15.4%
MESA	28,868	31,766	10.0%
PUEBLO	23,395	27,858	19.1%
WELD	52,376	60,597	15.7%
Selected Counties TTL	956,020	1,080,046	13.0%
STATE TOTAL	1,061,737	1,198,669	12.9%

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