



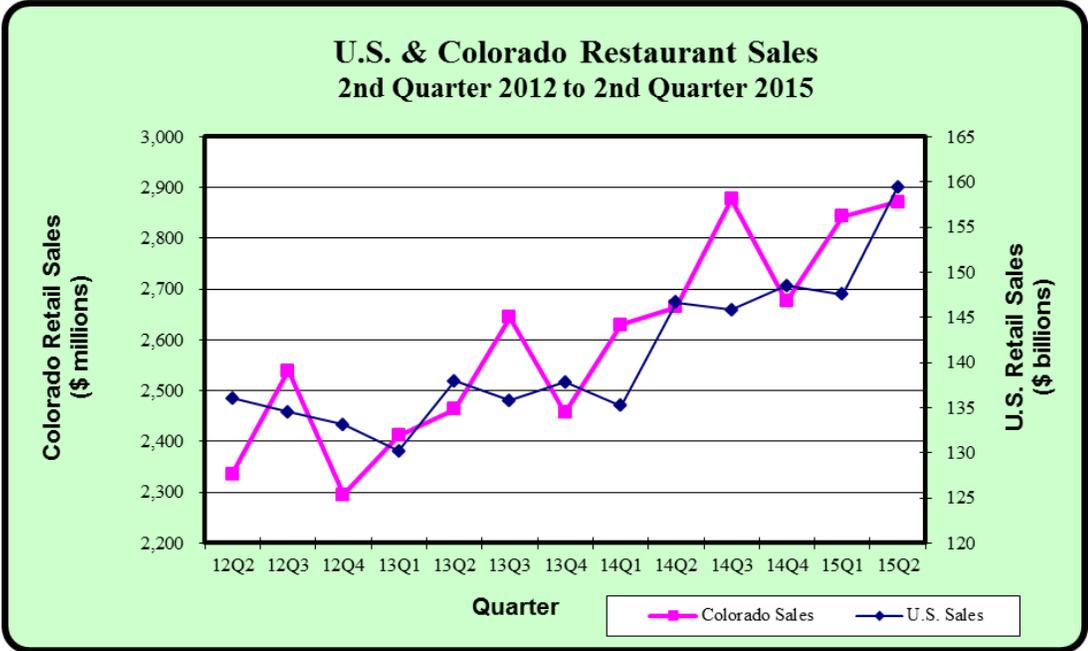
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Colorado Restaurant Sales Selected Counties

Second Quarter of 2015

This issue presents data on second quarter 2015 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.

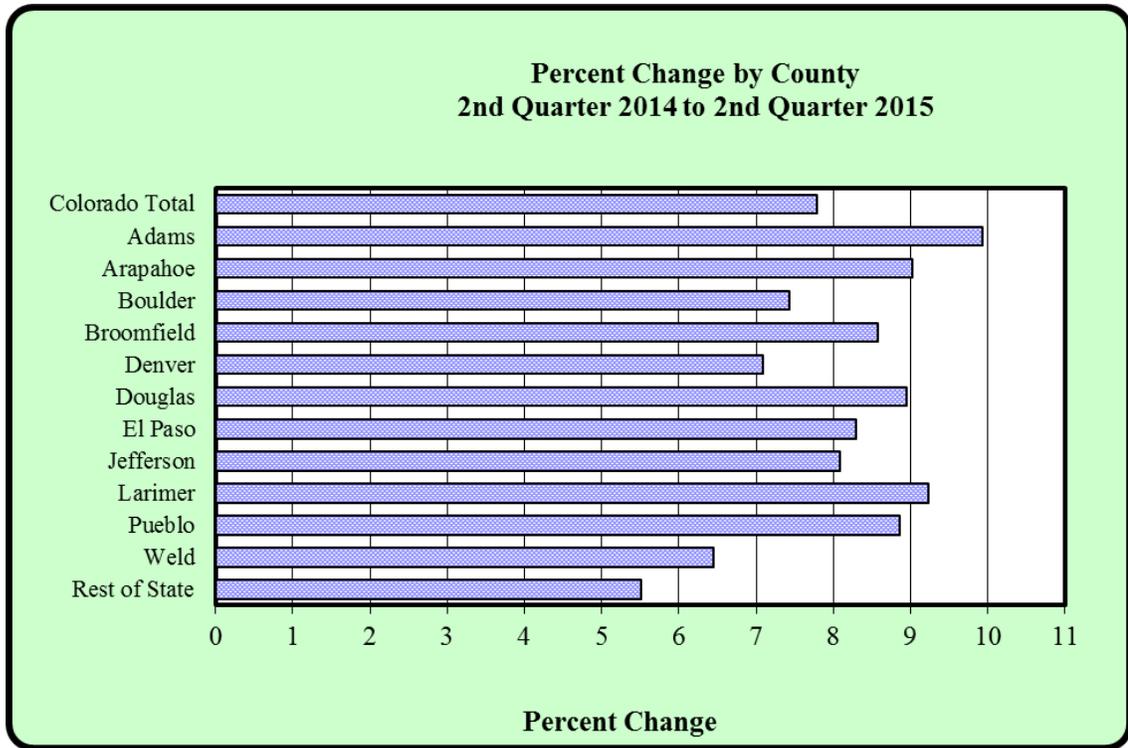
Colorado restaurant industry sales in the second quarter of 2015 increased 7.8 percent over the second quarter of 2014, to \$2.87 billion. Sales for the entire United States increased 8.7 percent to \$159.4 billion over the same period. As shown on the next page, all the selected counties showed moderate, positive growth. Leading was Adams County with an increase of 9.9 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 2014Q2 \$000s	Retail Sales 2015Q2 \$000s	Percentage Change
ADAMS	\$ 179,977	\$ 197,829	9.9%
ARAPAHOE	302,807	330,114	9.0%
BOULDER	174,778	187,755	7.4%
BROOMFIELD	30,253	32,848	8.6%
DENVER	595,824	638,009	7.1%
DOUGLAS	144,447	157,359	8.9%
EL PASO	271,437	293,933	8.3%
JEFFERSON	267,749	289,381	8.1%
LARIMER	166,218	181,561	9.2%
PUEBLO	59,562	64,836	8.9%
WELD	80,593	85,785	6.4%
Rest of State	390,923	412,448	5.5%
STATE TOTAL	\$ 2,664,568	\$ 2,871,859	7.8%

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