



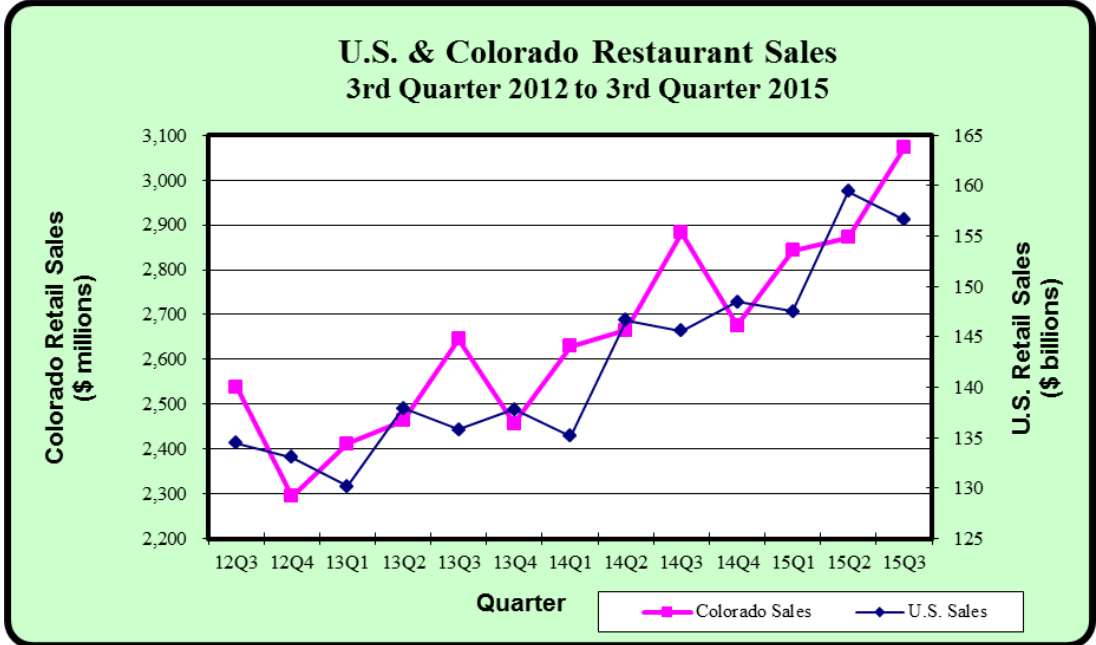
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## Colorado Restaurant Sales Selected Counties

### Third Quarter of 2015

This issue presents data on third 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.

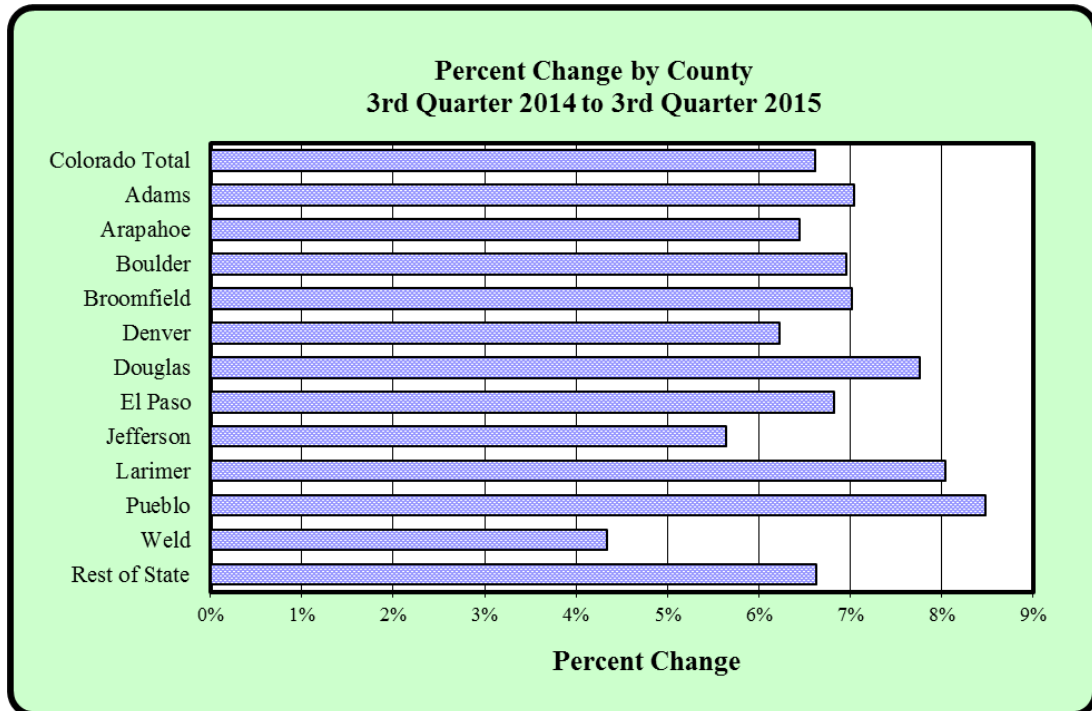
Colorado restaurant industry sales in the third quarter of 2015 increased 6.6 percent over the third quarter of 2014, to \$3.07 billion. Sales for the entire United States increased 7.5 percent to \$156.6 billion over the same period. As shown on the next page, all the selected counties showed moderate, positive growth. Leading was Pueblo County with an increase of 8.5 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 2014Q3 \$000s	Retail Sales 2015Q3 \$000s	Percentage Change
ADAMS	\$ 184,655	\$ 197,655	7.0%
ARAPAHOE	309,709	329,667	6.4%
BOULDER	181,951	194,606	7.0%
BROOMFIELD	30,517	32,656	7.0%
DENVER	611,030	649,053	6.2%
DOUGLAS	147,550	158,988	7.8%
EL PASO	281,230	300,422	6.8%
JEFFERSON	282,455	298,381	5.6%
LARIMER	178,975	193,366	8.0%
PUEBLO	60,377	65,494	8.5%
WELD	82,296	85,864	4.3%
Rest of State	531,801	567,050	6.6%
STATE TOTAL	\$ 2,882,544	\$ 3,073,204	6.6%

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