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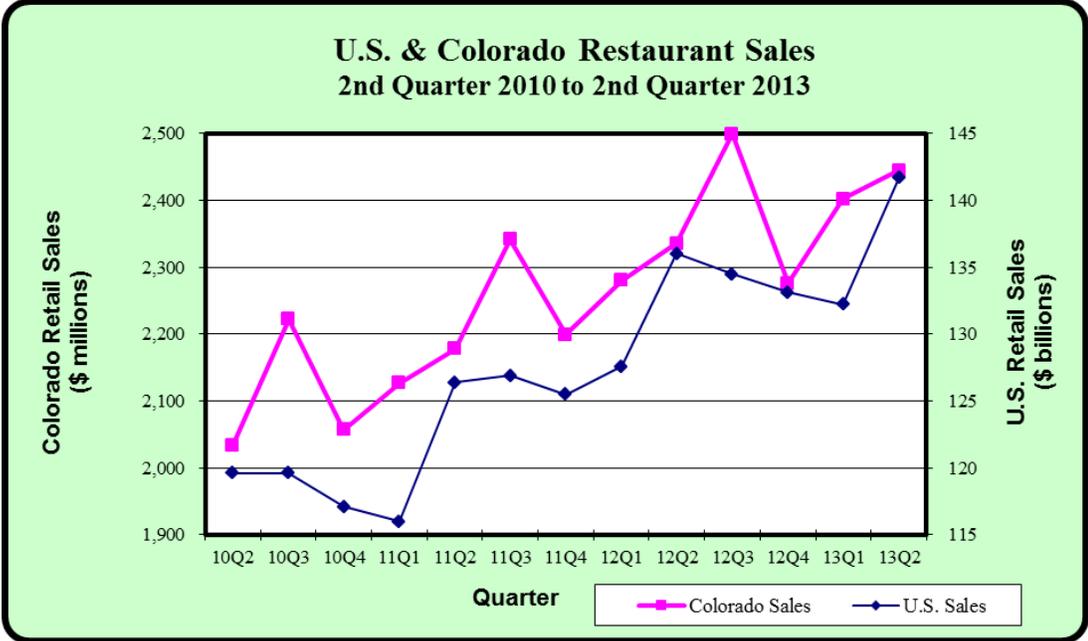
**Colorado Restaurant Sales**  
**Selected Counties**

**Second Quarter of 2013**

This issue presents data on second quarter 2013 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 2013 increased 6.3 percent to about \$2.44 billion, over the second quarter of 2012. Sales for the entire United States increased 4.5 percent to \$141.7 billion over the same period. As shown on the next page, all the selected counties showed moderate, positive growth. All of the percent increases are in the single digits. Leading was Denver County with an increase of 9.2 percent, Weld County with an increase of 5.7 percent, and Douglas County with an increase of 5.6 percent.

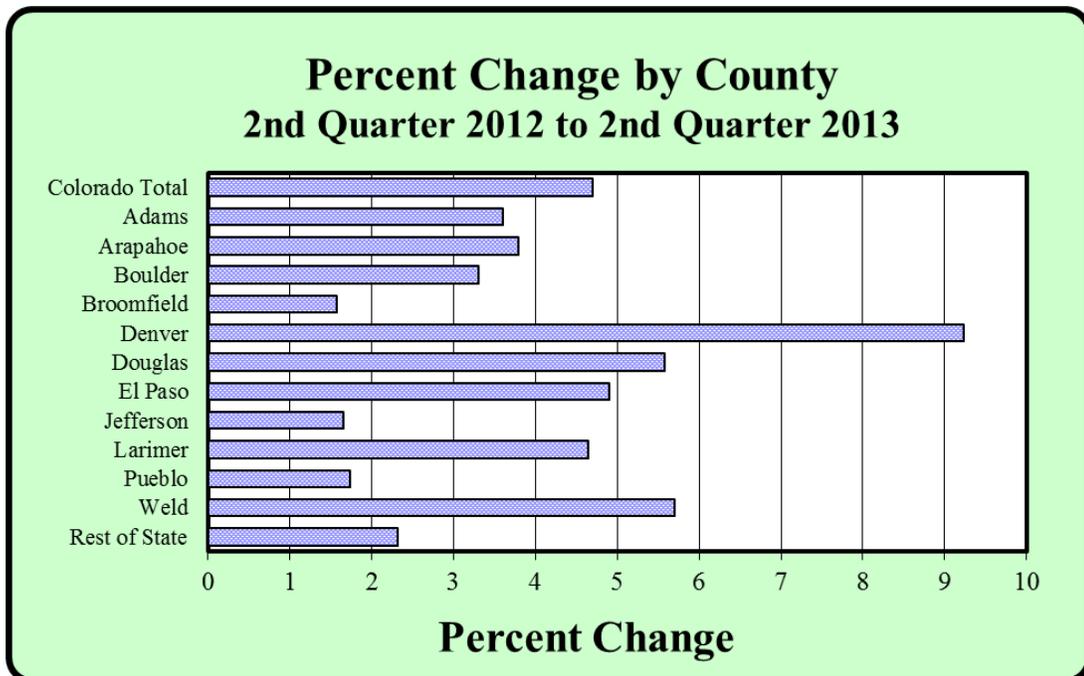
The graph below shows restaurant sales in the state compared to those in the U.S.



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

County	Retail Sales 2012Q1 \$000s	Retail Sales 2013Q1 \$000s	Percentage Change
Adams	\$ 154,821	\$ 160,390	3.6%
Arapahoe	268,559	278,728	3.8%
Boulder	156,072	161,230	3.3%
Broomfield	28,200	28,641	1.6%
Denver	491,431	536,754	9.2%
Douglas	128,048	135,184	5.6%
El Paso	245,612	257,636	4.9%
Jefferson	242,425	246,436	1.7%
Larimer	145,759	152,531	4.6%
Pueblo	55,968	56,940	1.7%
Weld	67,008	70,827	5.7%
Rest of State	236,287	241,354	2.1%
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 2,335,294</b>	<b>\$ 2,444,833</b>	<b>4.7%</b>

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