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ABSTRACT

This Kids Count report examines statewide and county trends in the well-being of Colorado's children. The statistical portrait is based on 24 indicators of well-being: (1) children receiving AFDC (Aid to Families with Dependent children); (2) children receiving TANF; (3) children qualifying for free lunch; (4) children in out-of-home placements; (5) births to single women; (6) mothers receiving early prenatal care; (7) low birth weight births; (8) children ages 0-3 with disabilities; (9) children with asthma; (10) children eligible for Child Health Plan Plus (CHP+); (11) CHP+ enrollment; (12) deaths of infants under age 1; (13) deaths of children under age 18; (14) confirmed incidents of abuse/neglect; (15) abuse/neglect referrals; (16) abuse/neglect referrals investigated; (17) child care facility closures; (18) new applications for child care facilities; (19) Child Care Pilot Communities; (20) teen birth rate; (21) three-risk-factor births; (22) teen suicide rate, 5-year average; (23) juvenile crime arrest rate; and (24) committed youth. County-level trends for data are indicated where appropriate, based on 1991, 1994, and 1998 data. The report's findings indicate that significant progress was made toward six Decade of the Child goals: infant mortality rate, immunizations, early prenatal care, deaths from child abuse, teen birth rate, paternity establishment, and teen suicide rate. Numerous strategies are presented to "put data into action." The report also contains a special section on education, which presents information on Colorado's 176 school districts, including student achievement, school enrollment, and ethnicity of students. (EV)

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DEAR FRIENDS OF THE CHILDREN'S CAMPAIGN:

In 1990, twenty-five organizations worked with the Children's Campaign to create a ten-year work plan for improving the health and well being of Colorado's high-risk children and youth. To guide our work, we set twelve goals against which Colorado's progress could be measured. Those goals are listed on page 3 of this report. After ten years of collaborative effort by a large community of service providers, advocates, policy makers and philanthropists, we are pleased to report that significant statewide progress has been made toward six of the twelve goals:

• infant mortality rate	improved 24%
• immunizations	improved 35%
• early prenatal care	improved 6%
• deaths from child abuse	improved 10%
• teen birth rate	improved 11%
• paternity establishment	improved 645%
• teen suicide rate	improved 13%

As the Children's Campaign prepares for another decade of work to improve the health and well being of children and youth, we are paying attention to the primary lesson we have learned: children's issues are inter-related. Home life, health, safety, and education are intimately related in the lives of children and youth.

Brad Butler, the former Chairman of Procter and Gamble, asked an essential question about children in need: what should be a community's response when parents can't – or won't – provide the basics for a good start in life? His answer, and our answer, is that all children deserve an opportunity to be nurtured, to receive basic health care, and to be educated. The data in *KidsCount* is intended to help Colorado assess the needs of children, track progress in creating solutions to their most pressing problems, and identify opportunities for supporting their growth into being educated, healthy, engaged members of our communities.

I continue to be amazed by the broad-based consensus across our state about the core values we hold for children. The objective information and analysis in *KidsCount* has been one tool in creating that consensus and will, I hope, aid in planning for the future. *KidsCount* helps us see where we've been, document where we are now, and shape a community's response when children need a little extra help getting started in life.

Sincerely,



Barbara O'Brien
PRESIDENT

Forward

Efforts of the Colorado Children's Campaign are aimed toward improving the lives of children. Currently, over one million children live in Colorado. We believe that each child deserves all the elements of a nurturing and safe environment in which to grow up healthy, well-educated, and with hope for the future. Since 1985, the Colorado Children's Campaign has worked to mobilize individuals and organizations to think and act on behalf of children. Information contained in *KidsCount in Colorado!* is used to support policy and program efforts throughout the state. By providing clear, concise, and accurate information, this report presents a snapshot of the status of child well-being in Colorado and its 63 counties.

The *2000 KidsCount in Colorado!* report contains state and county-level demographic, economic, health, education, and safety data. To offer a more comprehensive look at how children and youth are faring across the state, county indicators have

been added in the areas of health insurance, children with disabilities, child care, and youth incarceration. Featured in this report is a special section on education, which presents information on Colorado's 176 school districts including student achievement, school enrollment, and ethnicity of students.

As the devolution of government continues to give states and localities greater fiscal control and oversight of children and family-related programs, local data has become increasingly important. In order to focus resources effectively for vulnerable children, we must recognize who they are, where they live, what puts them at risk, and what helps to prevent and combat problems they face. Thus, the *KidsCount* report lends itself well to assessing the status of children at the state and local levels. We encourage you to use *KidsCount in Colorado!* information to better the lives of children in your community.

Decade of the Child

Throughout the 1990s, sweeping changes affecting children and families took place including welfare reform policies, brain development research, a focus on early care and education, and violence prevention initiatives. As we enter a new decade, additional issues concerning child well-being have gained the

public's attention including children's health insurance, student achievement, and school violence.

In 1990, the Colorado Children's Campaign developed the Decade of the Child goals in the critical areas of child health, education and safety. The Children's Campaign has since worked toward and tracked the

progress of these goals. Endorsed by over 1,200 organizations and community leaders, the majority of these goals have shown improvement. Policy changes, increased public awareness and involvement, and technological improvements have all played important roles in improving the lives of Colorado's children.

DECADE OF THE CHILD GOALS				
INDICATOR	WHERE WE WERE (1990)	WHERE WE ARE (1998)	% CHANGE	OUR GOAL (2000)
Infant Mortality Rate	8.8 per 1,000	6.7 per 1,000	-23.9%	7 per 1,000
Low Birth Weight Births	8.0%	8.7%	+8.8%	5%
Children Fully Immunized	58% (1991)	78.2%	+34.8%	90%
Moms Receiving Early Prenatal Care	77.8%	82.2%	+5.7%	90%
Number of Children Dying From Child Abuse	31	28	-9.7%	12
Cases in Which Paternity Established for Births to Unmarried Women	8.6%	64.1%	+645.3%	70%
Teen Birth Rate	54.3 per 1,000	48.4 per 1,000	-10.9%	25 per 1,000
Teen Suicide Rate	9.7 per 100,000	8.4 per 1,000	-13.4%	3.5 per 100,000
High School Graduation Rate	80%	80.1%	+0.1%	90%

Data for the following will be available after the 2000 Census: Children Living in Poverty, Children with Health Insurance, Youth Unemployment Rate.



BEHIND EVERY NUMBER IS A CHILD'S LIFE...

The theme of this edition of KidsCount is **"Put Data Into Action."** When you see this symbol, read our suggestions and become personally involved in improving the lives of children throughout Colorado.

With a new decade upon us, there are unprecedented opportunities to improve the quality of life for children. We encourage public

officials, community leaders, and parents to use new research, communications, and data to act on behalf of children. Remember, **behind every number there is a child** with a story. Help make it a happy one...**Put Data Into Action!**

"Change only takes place through action. New ideas and vision will be useless in the coming millennium if they do not lead to change." Dalai Lama



Early Brain Development

Research on early brain development increased dramatically in the 1990s. As we learn more about how a baby's brain develops, it is imperative to put this information to use by continuing to raise public awareness, support outreach programs to parents and caregivers, and encourage ongoing research.

WHAT THE LATEST RESEARCH SUGGESTS... USE IT OR LOSE IT!

New technologies and recent research have discovered that the development of a baby's brain is greatest between birth and age three.

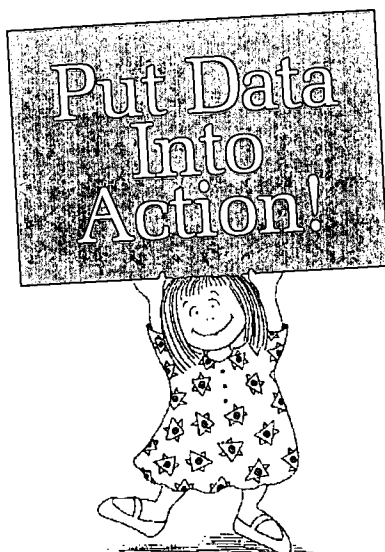
The environment children experience controls the way brain cells are connected and to a great extent, determines how the brain will function for life. Within these years, the foundation is being laid for future capacity for language, intelligence, thoughts, consciousness, habits, and responses to the environment.

Unlike any other organ, the brain is known to build itself. Completion of the brain's development is dependent on stimulation from the external environment. Synapses, the connections between brain cells, are made depending on the signals or stimuli the brain receives from the environment. With appropriate and consistent stimulation, synapses become stronger. In contrast, connections that

are rarely or never used will eventually be eliminated creating "black holes" within the brain. How the brain is organized and how it will function for life is largely determined by connections used repeatedly during these critical years.

At birth the human brain is at approximately 25% of its adult weight; by the age of 3 it is at 90%. Like no other phase in life, these early years present extraordinary opportunities for optimal emotional, social, neurological and physical development. For example, an eight-month-old baby will most likely have twice as many synapses as an adult. Trauma or lack of stimulation can interrupt this early brain development growth spurt, putting a child's development in jeopardy.

"Consistent, nurturing relationships with the same caregivers early in life are the cornerstones of emotional and intellectual competence." Stanley Greenspan, M.D.



BEHIND EVERY NUMBER IS A CHILD'S LIFE...

By photocopying and distributing the "Prescription Pad" below you'll be helping parents and caregivers provide infants and toddlers with a variety of developmental opportunities.



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THE BRAIN DEVELOPMENT TOP 10 LIST A Prescription for a Healthy, Happy Child

1. Tune in to signals, sounds, movements and expressions.
2. Talk and read to your children often, speak foreign languages.
3. Get involved with your child care, be a partner with your child's teacher.
4. Set consistent limits; it makes children feel secure.
5. Develop self-worth by praising small successes.
6. Hug often and regularly, it makes them feel safe and calm.
7. Sing and play a variety of music; it can help future math abilities.
8. Make sure they have regular check-ups and immunizations.
9. Explore and learn through play; make learning an adventure.
10. Loving interaction is important from the moment of birth.

Follow the above instructions daily!

For PRESCRIPTION information please call the Colorado Children's Campaign 303.839.1580

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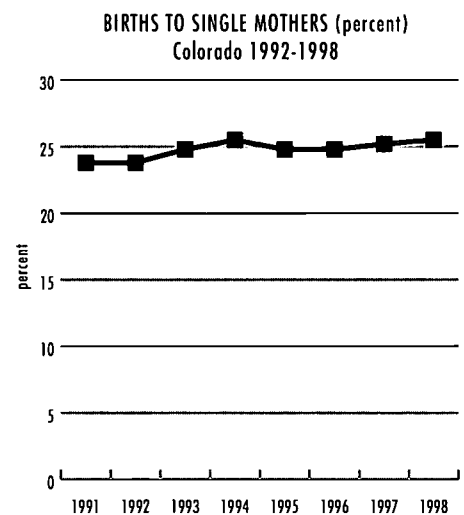




Families in Need

Despite Colorado's booming economy of the 1990s, some families continue to struggle to find affordable housing, child care, and health care. This section provides quick facts to help understand why cycles of poverty can be difficult to break.

Though Colorado is flourishing economically, 11% of Colorado's children experience poverty daily. Children born to economically disadvantaged mothers and fathers are at an increased risk of being malnourished, lacking health care, experiencing juvenile delinquency, dropping out of school, abusing substances and becoming teen parents.

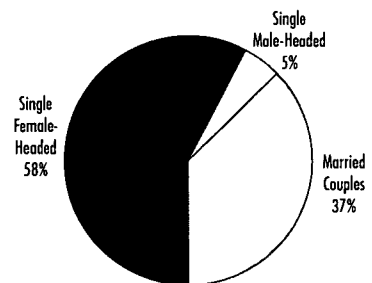


Source: CO Department of Public Health & Environment

FAMILY STRUCTURE

The majority of families in poverty are among households headed by single mothers. Since 1992, births to single mothers have increased in Colorado. According to the Census Bureau's Current Population Survey (1996-1998), 58% of working poor families in Colorado were headed by single females compared to 5% headed by single males.

TYPE OF WORKING POOR FAMILY
WITH CHILDREN UNDER 18
COLORADO 1995-1997



Source: Center on Budget and Policy Priorities
The Poverty Despite Work Handbook

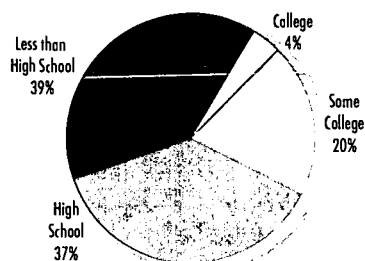
DEMOGRAPHICS

Ethnicity and the location of a child's residence both play a role in the vulnerability of children. According to the Annie E. Casey Foundation, nearly 30% of all black children and 25% of all Hispanic children are in high-risk situations compared to 6% of all white children. This means black children are almost 5 times as likely and Hispanic children are 4 times as likely as white children to be growing up in families with high-risk profiles.

Nationally, 20% of kids living in central cities are at high risk compared to 8% of those living in suburbs and 14% of those living outside metropolitan areas.

In Colorado, 75% of working poor families with children lived in metropolitan areas between 1995 and 1997.

1997 NATIONAL % DISTRIBUTION OF POOR CHILDREN BY EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT OF MORE-EDUCATED PARENT

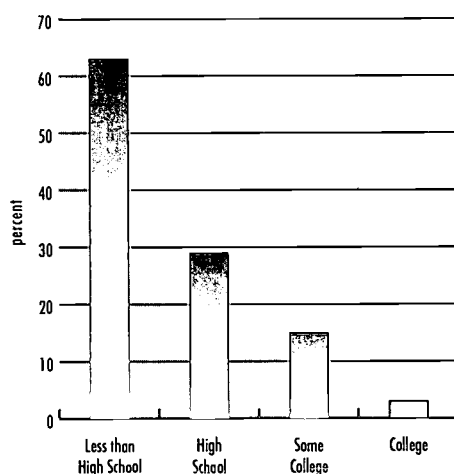


Source: National Center for Children in Poverty
Young Children in Poverty, June 1999

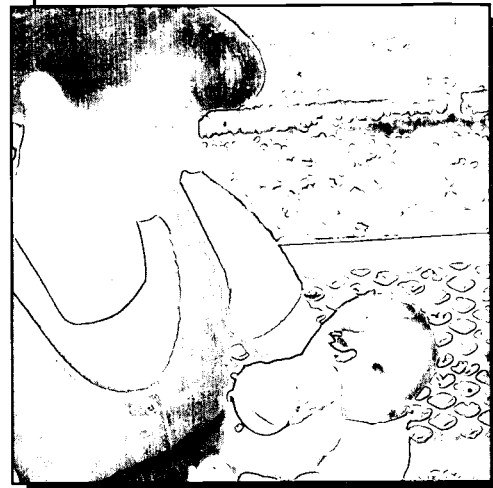
EDUCATION

Poverty rates have been consistently associated with an individual's level of educational attainment. Children whose parents lack a high school degree are more likely to be poor. Because a high percentage of poor children have parents with limited education, it is critical for parents to have the opportunity to enter education and training programs and to learn to support the education process for their children.

1997 NATIONAL POVERTY RATES OF CHILDREN UNDER AGE SIX BY EDUCATIONAL LEVEL OF MORE EDUCATED PARENT



Source: National Center for Children in Poverty
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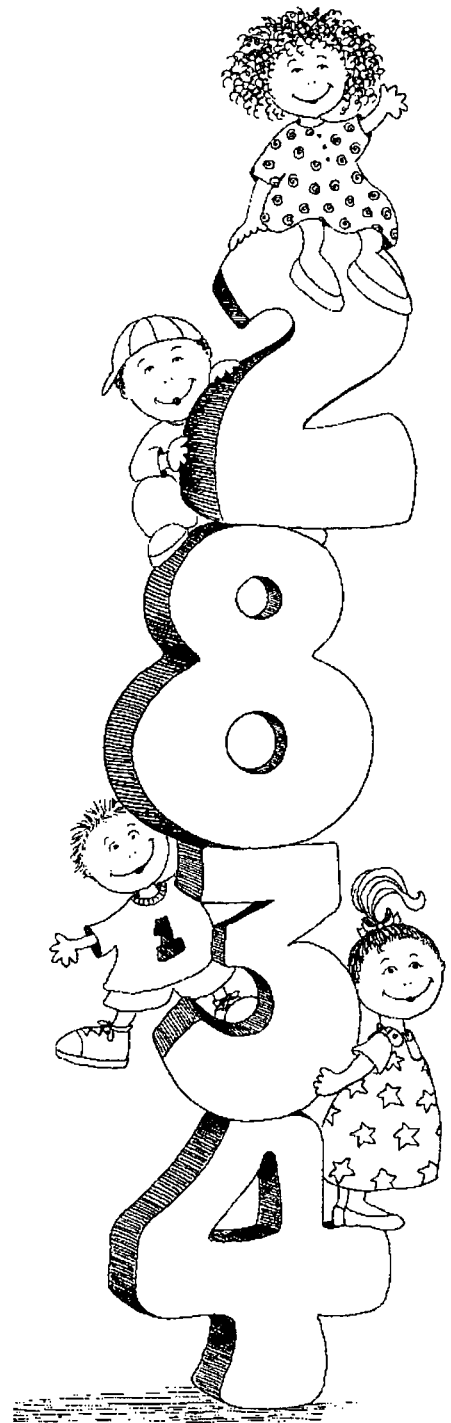


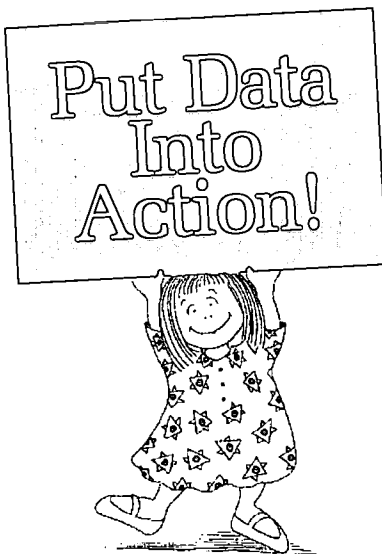
HOUSING

There is a significant need for affordable housing throughout Colorado. As a result of Colorado's strong economy, housing prices have increased much faster than wages throughout the state:

- Rent increased 61% from 1992-1995, while renters' incomes increased only 13%. As a result, over 88,000 families spend more than 50% of their income on rent.
- In Denver, the average price of a single-family home in February 1999 was \$200,000. Statewide, the average price of a single-family home was \$148,950.
- A Housing and Urban Development study found that while average wages in the Front Range of Colorado grew by 47% from 1989 to 1999, the average rent for an apartment unit grew 75%, and the average price of a single-family home grew 79%.

The Colorado Division of Housing created a "mismatch matrix" to determine the number of rental units that are available and affordable for certain income levels. For instance, for families earning 0-30% of median income (\$0-\$11,170), there are 46.4 affordable rental units per 100 renter households.





HELP KIDS ESCAPE POVERTY...

- ✧ Donate food, clothes, and supplies to food pantries, missions, and shelters.
- ✧ Donate your time to an agency that provides food or shelter.
- ✧ Established in 1994 by the Food Bank of the Rockies, the Kids Café serves meals to children in inner city Denver neighborhoods. Kids Café provides 1,700 meals weekly in conjunction with tutoring and mentoring. Treated like real customers, these children are seated at cloth covered tables and served by volunteers. If you live in the Denver area call one of the following Kids Cafés to learn more about volunteer opportunities:
- ✧ Atzlan Community Center
(303) 458-4899

- ✧ Rude Recreation Center
(303) 572-4795
- ✧ Ashland Recreation Center
(303) 458-4830
- ✧ Educational Outreach for Children of the Homeless
(303) 764-7646

- ✧ Colorado Second Harvest Food Banks distribute food to more than 1,500 nonprofit agencies for people in need throughout the state. The recipient agencies include food pantries, child care and elder care centers, battered women's shelters, soup kitchens, and residential treatment centers. Annually these organizations provide 20 million meals at no cost to those in need in every Colorado county:

- ✧ Food Bank of the Rockies, Denver
(303) 371-9250
- ✧ Community Food Share, Longmont
(303) 652-FOOD
- ✧ Weld Food Bank, Greeley,
(970) 356-2199
- ✧ Food Bank for Larimer County, Fort Collins
(970) 493-4477
- ✧ Care and Share, Colorado Springs
(719) 528-1247
- ✧ Food Bank of the Rockies Branch, Grand Junction
(970) 243-3937



Children born to poor mothers and fathers are at an increased risk of being malnourished, lacking health care, experiencing juvenile delinquency, dropping out of school, abusing substances and becoming teen parents.



Child Health

It is estimated that one percent of deaths of children result from a lack of medical care. As we enter a new decade in a time of unparalleled prosperity for the United States and Colorado, many children are still without health insurance. We know that children born to parents without health insurance are more likely to be sick when born, less likely to receive immunizations, less likely to be treated when injured, and less likely to see a doctor when ill. A greater commitment to provide adequate resources for children's health is needed.

Expanding and funding the Child Health Plan Plus (CHP+) has been a top policy priority for the Colorado Children's Campaign since 1993. The Child Health Plan Plus (CHP+) provides health insurance for children under 18 in families with incomes at or below 185% of the federal poverty level. Modeled after basic commercial programs, children enrolled in CHP+ receive necessary health care services such as check-ups and immunizations, prescriptions, hospital services, glasses and hearing aids, mental health care and medical office visits. Currently, dental care is not covered with CHP+. Colorado is the only state that does not have a dental plan for CHP+ kids.

WHO'S ELIGIBLE FOR CHP+

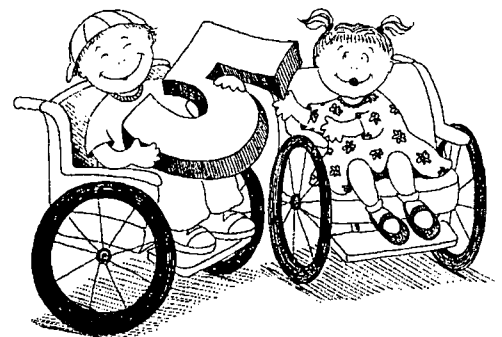
FAMILY SIZE	MAXIMUM ANNUAL INCOME
2	\$20,461
3	\$25,687
4	\$30,895
5	\$36,112
6	\$41,329
7	\$46,546
8	\$51,763

Most families enrolled in CHP+ pay monthly premium payments and co-payments for each doctor visit. These payments are based upon family size and income.

PREMIUMS & CO-PAYMENTS:

Family of 4 earning
\$16,701-\$25,050
pays \$15/month and \$2/visit

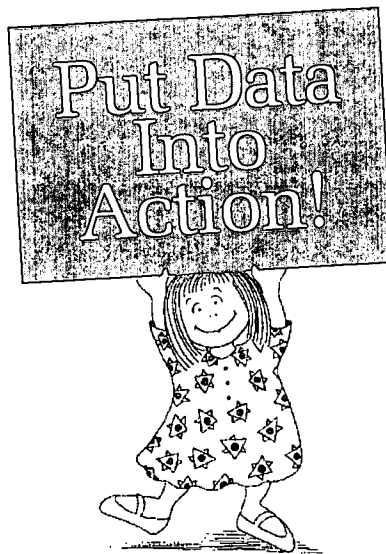
Family of 4 earning
\$28,931-\$30,895
pays \$30/month and \$5/visit



WHAT CAN HAPPEN TO KIDS WHO LACK HEALTH INSURANCE? THEY...

- Get illnesses that could have been prevented with immunizations;
- Go without early well child check-ups;
- Develop serious illnesses due to untreated minor infections or injuries;
- Resort to costly emergency room care;
- Do poorly in school because of ear infections leading to hearing loss and vision problems that go uncorrected.

Programs dedicated to providing prenatal care for mothers and nurse home visits have already been shown to be cost effective. Continued support and expansion of programs like these ensure that children throughout Colorado are having their medical needs met today so they can thrive and become productive citizens tomorrow.

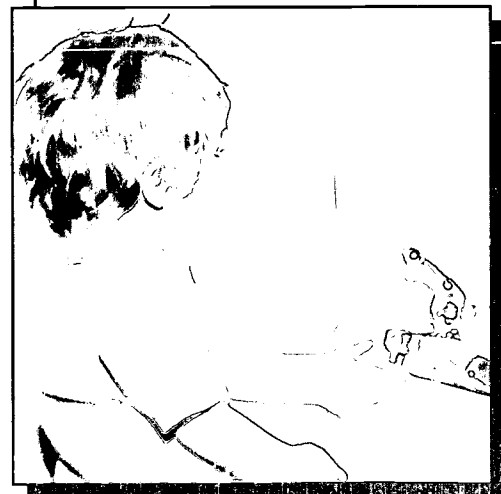


HELP KIDS IN YOUR COMMUNITY GET GOOD HEALTH CARE...

Whether you want to do a little or a lot, the CHP+ program has great ways for you to get involved and see that more children have health insurance.

- ✧ *Spread the word. Talk to PTAs, churches, businesses, and child care providers and distribute CHP+ materials. By calling CHP+ at 1-800-359-1991 you can request brochures, applications, counter-top displays, a 5 minute video, and posters. Some of these materials are also available in Spanish.*
- ✧ *Provide your local schools with the school enrollment kit – this includes a letter to the principal, flyers to distribute to students, posters, applications and more.*
- ✧ *Provide places like community centers and low-rent housing units with CHP+ applications, brochures and posters.*
- ✧ *Host a meeting or training session. Call CHP+ and request speakers or training personnel to speak to your group.*
- ✧ *Write a letter to the editor. CHP+ can provide you with fact sheets, a summary of benefits and more.*

In 1999, enrollment in CHP+ has more than doubled. As of December 1999, 22,577 kids in Colorado were receiving health care benefits through CHP+. An estimated 69,000 Colorado children are eligible for CHP+.





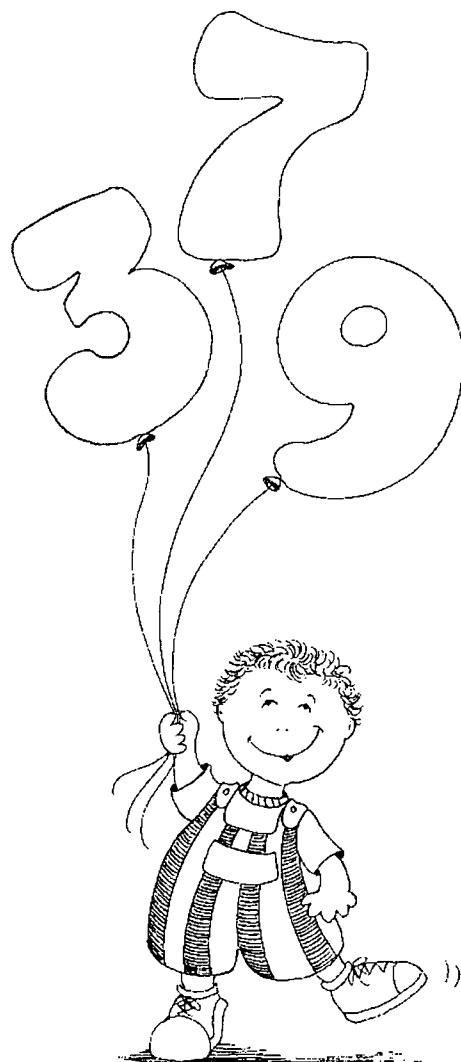
CHILDREN AND ASTHMA

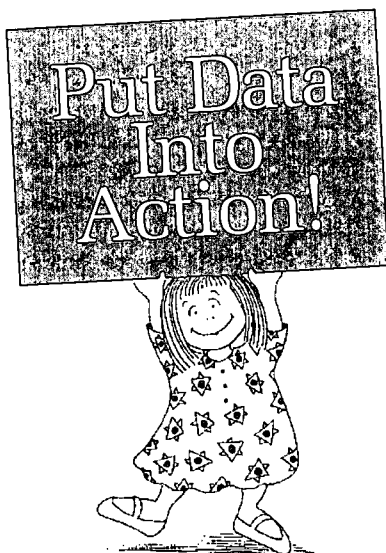
The incidence of and mortality due to asthma have been increasing at alarmingly high rates. The number of children with asthma has more than doubled in the past 15 years. Nationally, in 1980, 2.3 million children had asthma. By 1995 the number had risen to 5.5 million. In Colorado, more than 67,000 children have asthma and of these, an estimated 4,400 cases are attributed to adult smoking in the household.

WHAT WE KNOW ABOUT ASTHMA...

- One third of the nation's 14.6 million asthmatics are children under 18.
- Nationally, child deaths due to asthma have nearly tripled over the last 15 years.
- Nationally, asthma is the leading cause for school absenteeism and accounts for 10 million lost school days annually. Parents' lost time from work to stay home with asthmatic children totals \$726 million annually.

- Asthma is the third-ranking cause of hospitalization among children under 15.
- In Colorado, asthmatic children use significantly more health services and incur 88% more in health care costs than the general population of children.
- Air pollution, old and run-down housing, and other environmental factors make asthma a growing health issue for low income children.



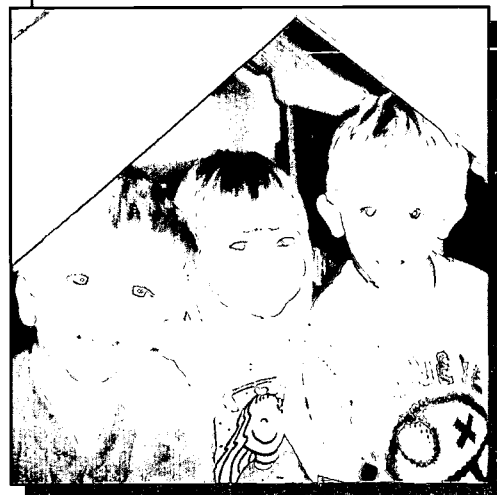


HELP ASTHMATIC KIDS IN YOUR COMMUNITY ...

Building public awareness and understanding about asthma increases the likelihood that more children will receive the proper care needed. Because many asthmatic children lack the support system necessary to manage their own condition, it is important that parents, teachers and neighbors understand the challenges these children face such as taking daily medications and reducing their exposure to elements that aggravate their conditions. Here's what you can do today to help asthmatic children in your community and prevent more children from developing asthma:

- ✧ *Support educational programs focused on asthma for health care providers and other community members, child care providers and school nurses.*
- ✧ *Are there asthma education programs in your community? Find out by calling the American Lung Association of Colorado at 1-800-LUNG-USA. They direct asthma education programs across Colorado and need statewide volunteers to help implement these programs. Even if your knowledge about asthma is limited, the American Lung Association of Colorado welcomes your support and trains volunteers!*
- ✧ *Promote public awareness about the symptoms, causes and management of asthma.*

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Early Care & Education

With 62% of all mothers with children ages six and younger in the workforce, quality early care and education programs are critical to the development, health and safety of infants and children. Quality early childhood care and education (ECCE) for high-risk children provides them with a good start in life by preparing them for kindergarten and capitalizing on the developmental window of opportunity present during the first five years of life. Policy makers, civic leaders and foundations are beginning to recognize the value of quality ECCE programs.

Recent longitudinal studies have found that low-income children participating in quality ECCE programs demonstrate increased emotional and cognitive development and are more successful later in life. For example, they exhibit higher graduation rates, higher incomes, lower arrest rates, lower teenage pregnancy rates and are less likely to be welfare recipients as adults. Quality child care can also help to reduce the social, emotional and health problems faced by abused and neglected children.

Studies indicate that children from low-income families are read to

less by adults than kids from higher income families. A RAND study estimated that for every \$1 invested in high-quality ECCE, the public will save \$7 in costs like remedial education, welfare and incarceration.

In Colorado, during the 1997 legislative session, child care quality was addressed with the creation of the Consolidated Child Care Pilots, a concept created by the Colorado Children's Campaign. Established to help local communities address full-day, full-year child care needs for families moving off welfare, twelve pilot communities have maximized their resources and designed consolidated ECCE programs aimed at serving children in low-income families.

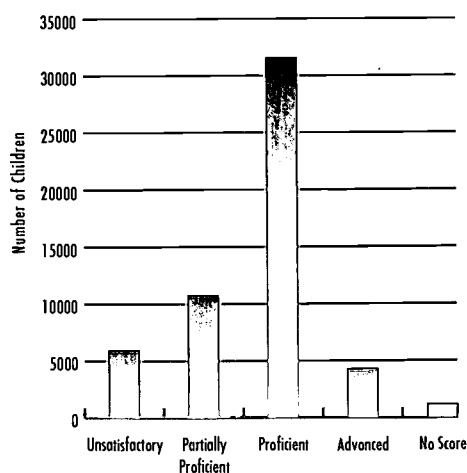
The 1997 pilot sites were: Arapahoe, Denver, El Paso, Fremont, La Plata, Larimer, Logan, Morgan, Prowers, Routt and the Triad (Clear Creek, Jefferson and Gilpin). In 1999, six Pilots were added in the following counties: Alamosa, Conejos, Boulder, Grand Junction, Norwood, and the 5-county resort area of Summit, Lake, Pitkin, Eagle and Garfield. In an effort to improve services to children and families, each pilot community must consolidate funding streams and services, develop councils, and increase

public-private partnerships. Through the pilot program more than 7,800 high-risk young children in Colorado will be served, considerably more than the 2,000 originally anticipated.

STUDENT ASSESSMENT

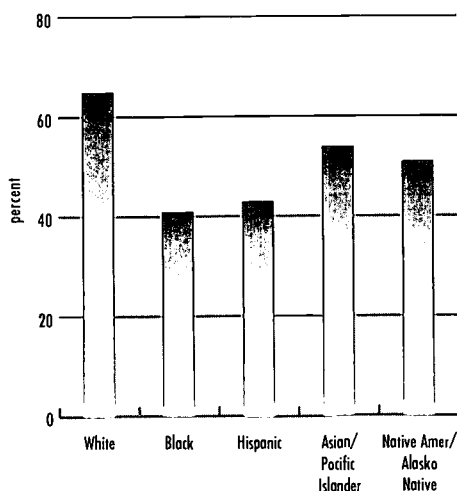
Colorado is well above the national average for student performance on assessment tests. However, the state has high expectations for the public school system, and particularly for the improvement of low-performing schools. According to results from the Colorado Statewide Assessment Program (CSAP), some districts and schools are making commendable progress while many others remain stagnant. The following graphs illustrate the performance and progress of Colorado's students based on CSAP scores.

3RD GRADE READING SCORES
COLORADO CSAP 1999



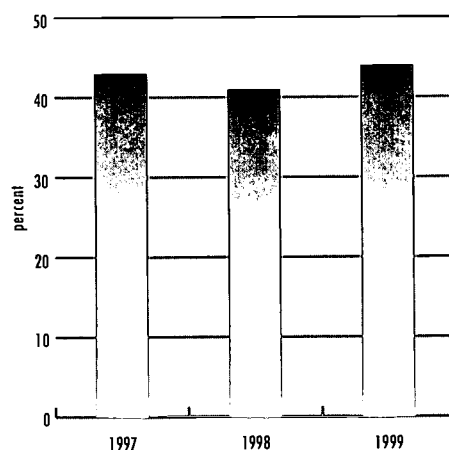
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CHILDREN SCORING PROFICIENT OR BETTER
ON 3RD GRADE READING ASSESSMENT BY ETHNICITY
COLORADO CSAP 1999



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CHILDREN SCORING PROFICIENT OR BETTER
ON 4TH GRADE WRITING ASSESSMENT
COLORADO CSAP 1997-1999



Source: CO Department of Education, CSAP Results

With 62% of all mothers

with children ages

six and younger

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quality early care and

education programs

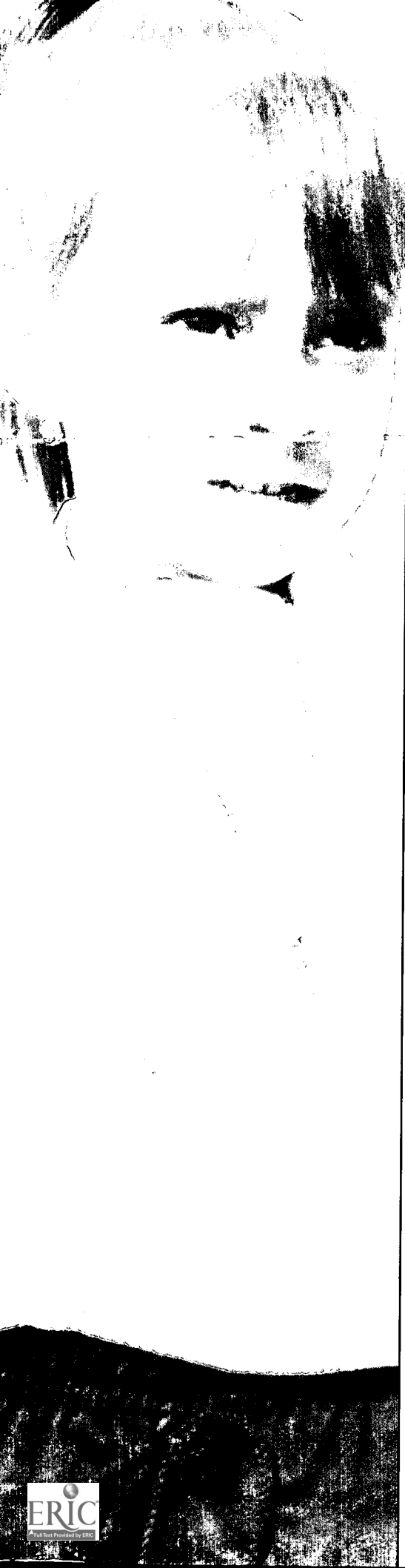
are critical to the

development, health

and safety of

infants and children.





Many experts suggest a clear correlation between quality teaching and student performance. The Rose Community Foundation funded a Colorado study by the National Conference of State Legislatures which found the following:

- Only 9% of reporting districts allocate time for professional development as part of each teacher's daily or weekly schedule.
- School district expenditures for the professional development of teachers range between .001% of the district budget to a high of 7%.
- Only 15% of reporting districts spend more than 1% of their budget on professional development.

Based on these studies and standardized test results, a greater emphasis from the state level to communities needs to be made on the education and professional development for teachers.

See pages 18-23 for statistics on Colorado's 176 school districts.

Put Data Into Action!



INVEST IN THE EARLY CARE AND EDUCATION FOR KIDS IN YOUR COMMUNITY!

- ✧ *When filling out your state tax form, make a \$10 donation to the Quality Child Care Check-Off. Spread the Word!*
- ✧ *Ask child care providers in your community what they need, for example books, clothes, cleaning supplies, volunteers — and follow through with donations.*
- ✧ *Support child care initiatives in the state legislature by calling or writing to legislators representing your district. Find out who your legislators are by visiting www.vote-smart.org.*
- ✧ *Donate school supplies, including school bags, backpacks, paper and writing supplies, year-round to local schools. Teachers, social workers, and administrators will get them to the right children.*
- ✧ *Volunteer at your local schools and for organizations that serve children and families in need.*
- ✧ *Tutor a child weekly at no charge.*

SCHOOL-BASED HEALTH CENTERS

School-Based Health Centers (SBHC) are important assets to communities. SBHCs provide high-quality, low-cost, health services to children and adolescents throughout Colorado. Located in school settings, SBHCs offer medical and mental health care, preventive dental care, disease prevention services and specialize in addressing high-risk behaviors.

During the 1998-99 school year, Colorado had 33 SBHCs, up from just 4 in 1988 and 13 in 1994. Located in 14 of Colorado's 176 school districts, SBHCs are in 15 high schools, 8 middle schools and junior highs, 8 elementary schools, one preschool, and one rural K-12 school. Most sites provide preventive and primary medical as well as mental health care for all children seeking services.

WHAT HAVE SBHC STUDIES FOUND?

Students spend less time away from school for health reasons. A recent study of three Colorado SBHCs concluded that the rate at which children complaining of a health problem were sent home decreased by 90% after a SBHC was implemented.

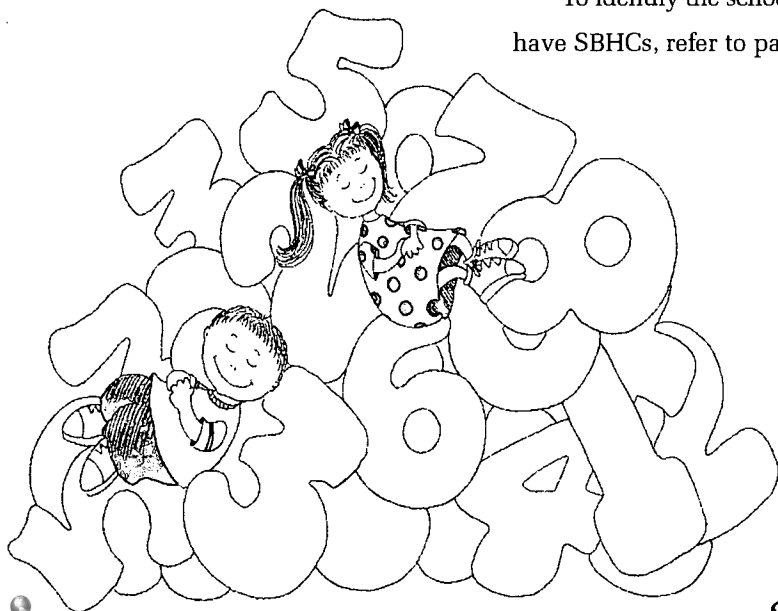
SBHC USERS:

- miss fewer school days,
- are more likely to stay in school and graduate,
- use less after-hours or emergency care,
- are less likely to engage in behaviors that place their health at risk,
- include males and other high-risk groups,
- participate in surveys and data collection that help improve health services for students.

To identify the school districts that have SBHCs, refer to pages 18-23.



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District	County	Number of Pupils Fall 1998	1998 Pre K-12 Public School Students (#)	1998 Charter School Students (#)	1998 K-12 Ind. School Students (#)	1998 K-12 Home School Students (#)	White (%)	Hispanic (%)
Colorado		757,297	699,135	14,495	49,335	8,827	70.6	19.9
Academy 20	El Paso	16,250	15,821	460	50	379	88.1	4.5
Adams County 14	Adams	6,156	6,102		41	13	38.8	55.8
Adams-Arapahoe 28J	Arapahoe	30,877	29,027		1,484	366	48.0	21.7
Agate 300	Elbert	93	80		0	13	83.8	11.3
Aguilar Reorganized 6	Las Animas	174	169		0	5	49.1	50.9
Akron R-1	Washington	478	462		0	16	84.4	13.9
Alamosa RE-11J	Alamosa	2,685	2,503		140	42	45.0	52.9
Archuleta County 50JT	Archuleta	1,707	1,552		105	50	78.3	20.5
Arickaree R-2	Washington	145	131		0	14	95.4	3.8
Arriba-Flagler C-20	Kit Carson	295	261		0	34	96.9	1.9
Aspen 1	Pitkin	1,400	1,289		110	1	90.7	6.7
Ault-Highland RE-9	Weld	898	889		0	9	66.1	32.6
Bayfield 10 JT-R	La Plata	1,068	1,050		0	18	89.3	8.3
Bennett 29J	Adams	1,020	995	8	1	24	92.2	5.0
Bethune R-5	Kit Carson	164	163		0	1	77.9	22.1
Big Sandy 100J	Elbert	392	371		0	21	91.1	7.5
Boulder Valley RE2	Boulder	30,599	26,880	595	3,504	215	82.3	10.5
Branson Reorganized 82	Las Animas	53	53		0	0	94.3	5.7
Briggsdale RE-10	Weld	137	135		0	2	93.3	4.4
Brighton 27J	Adams	5,465	4,980	307	419	66	57.6	39.8
Brush RE-2(J)	Morgan	1,592	1,568		nr	24	63.8	34.9
Buena Vista R-31	Chaffee	1,043	902		109	32	92.5	6.8
Buffalo RE-4	Logan	266	266		0	0	91.7	7.1
Burlington RE-6J	Kit Carson	891	880		0	11	77.3	22.2
Byers 32J	Arapahoe	495	478		0	17	95.2	3.1
Calhan RJ-1	El Paso	601	578		0	23	95.3	1.7
Campo RE-6	Baca	86	86		0	0	97.7	2.3
Canon City RE-1	Fremont	4,560	4,310	177	157	93	90.7	7.2
Centennial R4	Costilla	355	353		0	2	6.2	91.8
Center 26 JT	Saguache	753	729		15	9	11.4	86.3
Cheraw 31	Otero	240	232		0	8	84.1	15.9
Cherry Creek 5	Arapahoe	44,564	40,089	449	4,114	361	80.1	6.0
Cheyenne County RE-3	Cheyenne	347	329		0	18	90.9	9.1
Cheyenne Mountain 12	El Paso	4,447	3,843	319	581	23	88.6	4.6
Clear Creek RE-1	Clear Creek	1,522	1,438		60	24	93.0	4.0
Colorado Springs 11	El Paso	37,813	32,589	1,358	4,392	832	72.3	14.8
Consolidated C-1	Custer	464	423		18	23	95.3	3.1
Cotopaxi RE-3	Fremont	347	335		0	12	88.7	8.1
Creede Consolidated 1	Mineral	158	158		0	0	97.5	0.0
Cripple Creek-Victor RE-1	Teller	647	605		0	42	93.9	2.6
Crowley County RE-1-J	Crowley	632	616		nr	16	68.0	30.4
De Beque 49JT	Mesa	176	174		0	2	90.2	6.3
Deer Trail 26J	Arapahoe	188	186		0	2	96.2	2.7
Del Norte C-7	Rio Grande	755	730		16	9	53.3	45.9
Delta County 50(J)	Delta	4,900	4,665		77	158	84.7	13.7
Denver County 1	Denver	80,315	68,790	1,221	11,292	233	24.4	49.8
Dolores County RE No 2	Dolores	362	344		12	6	90.1	4.1
Dolores RE-4A	Montezuma	641	638		0	3	80.9	11.3
Douglas County RE 1	Douglas	31,259	29,847	1,769	1,009	403	91.6	4.1
Durango 9-R	La Plata	5,289	4,826	243	381	82	84.0	10.7
Eads RE-1	Kiowa	309	307		0	2	95.1	4.6
Eagle County RE 50	Eagle	4,733	4,344	166	339	50	68.3	30.5
East Grand 2	Grand	1,324	1,267		0	57	95.1	2.8
East Otero R-1	Otero	1,950	1,903		23	24	48.8	48.4
East Yuma County RJ-2	Yuma	1,029	1,006		nr	23	91.4	7.8
Eaton RE-2	Weld	1,370	1,343		0	27	78.2	20.0
Edison 54 JT	El Paso	67	65		0	2	98.5	1.5
Elbert 200	Elbert	283	278		0	5	92.1	5.4

Black (%)	Asian Pacific (%)	Native American (%)	Students w/Access to School-Based Health Centers (%)	1997-1998 Graduation Rate (%)	1997-1998 Grades 7-12 Dropout Rates (%)	1997-1998 Suspensions (%)	1997-1998 Expulsions (%)	4th Grade Students Proficient in Reading (%) 4th Gr. CSAP	4th Grade Students Proficient in Writing (%) 4th Gr. CSAP	Student: Teacher Ratio	Teachers w/Master's Degree or Higher (%)
5.6	2.7	1.2	5.8	80.1	3.5	7.5	0.3	52	31	(See definitions pg. 33)	
3.2	2.9	1.2		88.2	1.7	5.4	0.3	78	49	17.5:1	48.3
3.0	0.3	2.1	100.0	48.1	4.5	8.5	0.4	43	19	17.0:1	44.5
24.6	4.8	0.9	9.8	71.1	4.2	11.1	0.3	45	20	18.7:1	47.7
0.0	2.5	2.5		60	1.9	3.3	0	n/r	n/r	5.1:1	6.3
0.0	0.0	0.0		82.4	0	7.1	0	n/r	n/r	10.8:1	21.0
0.0	1.3	0.4		90	3.5	4.5	0.4	58	48	13.7:1	16.2
0.8	0.7	0.6	27.1	79.3	3.9	9.2	0.6	50	22	17.3:1	49.0
0.4	0.2	0.6		76.9	2	7.9	0.5	54	24	18.8:1	40.2
0.8	0.0	0.0		91.7	1.4	0.7	0	n/r	n/r	8.0:1	17.6
0.0	0.0	1.1		93.3	1.8	3.2	0	50	18	11.1:1	52.2
0.4	2.0	0.2		91	0.8	1.9	0	87	52	15.0:1	48.4
0.3	0.2	0.7		70.3	2.7	7.4	0.3	50	31	14.3:1	12.5
0.3	0.1	2.0		84.4	0.2	4.6	0.4	79	53	16.0:1	26.9
0.9	0.8	1.1		79.7	1.5	10.2	0.7	64	34	16.6:1	27.0
0.0	0.0	0.0		77.8	2.4	1.2	0	16	5	10.7:1	6.7
0.0	0.5	0.8		95.2	1.1	3.9	0.9	7	48	13.0:1	23.1
1.7	4.7	0.9		84.7	2	4.6	0.1	76	46	18.3:1	55.6
0.0	0.0	0.0		100	0	0	0	n/r	n/r	7.2:1	25.0
0.0	2.2	0.0		90	0	0.8	0	n/r	n/r	9.6:1	2.0
0.7	1.1	0.8		84.9	3.8	8.9	0.3	49	21	20.1:1	45.5
0.6	0.3	0.4		80.6	2.5	14.8	0.3	45	11	16.0:1	22.0
0.3	0.1	0.3		84.8	1.2	4.6	0.1	66	31	14.5:1	38.5
0.8	0.4	0.0		100	0	4.3	0	72	56	13.7:1	23.8
0.2	0.3	0.0		89.3	1.7	5.5	0	60	23	15.5:1	15.8
1.3	0.0	0.4		62.1	2.9	8.5	0.2	50	31	15.2:1	24.2
1.0	0.5	1.4		72.2	2.7	3.5	0.5	56	38	16.5:1	32.4
0.0	0.0	0.0		100	0	4.7	0	n/r	n/r	6.7:1	0.0
0.6	0.7	0.8		84.9	4.5	8.4	0.3	58	28	17.9:1	62.7
0.6	0.8	0.6		83.9	9.5	18.7	0.8	33	19	13.9:1	48.3
0.0	0.1	2.2	100.0	61.8	8.4	10	0.3	40	29	13.6:1	31.6
0.0	0.0	0.0		100	1.3	0.4	0	n/r	n/r	10.8:1	26.0
8.1	5.4	0.4		91.3	0.6	8.4	0.2	72	49	17.7:1	57.5
0.0	0.0	0.0		100	1.1	4.4	0.6	58	19	11.2:1	12.5
2.4	4.0	0.3		91.3	1.1	4.1	0.1	84	59	19.4:1	57.8
0.5	0.9	1.6		73.3	3.5	6.9	0.2	73	40	17.0:1	50.0
9.5	2.2	1.2		75.9	4.2	9.5	1.1	58	30	18.8:1	50.0
0.7	0.2	0.7		89.7	0.8	10	1	67	25	13.6:1	18.8
1.2	1.8	0.3		100	0	7.5	0	73	38	13.0:1	34.6
0.0	0.0	2.5		75	3.9	1.4	0	n/r	n/r	9.6:1	29.4
1.2	0.7	1.7		81.8	0.3	18.7	0.9	56	30	18.8:1	25.7
0.5	0.3	0.8		78.4	1.7	10.1	0.5	63	41	14.2:1	15.6
0.0	0.0	3.4		82.6	0	6.1	0	n/r	n/r	9.8:1	38.9
1.1	0.0	0.0		87.5	1.8	3.4	0.5	n/r	n/r	11.0:1	15.8
0.0	0.1	0.7		95.8	0.3	6.6	1.2	47	14	15.1:1	34.0
0.3	0.5	0.9		89.3	2	8.9	0.2	55	31	17.1:1	44.7
21.0	3.4	1.4	25.1	64.9	6.2	10.3	0.2	31	16	19.3:1	53.5
0.0	3.2	2.6		93.3	1.1	2.9	0	74	39	15.4:1	32.0
0.5	0.5	6.9		82.1	0.3	6.1	0	62	26	15.9:1	22.7
1.2	2.5	0.6		82.9	1.3	4.3	0.1	74	49	18.5:1	49.6
0.6	0.5	4.2		84.1	2.2	2.6	0.6	69	39	52.6:1	16.4
0.3	0.0	0.0		86.7	1.1	1.3	0	74	35	11.1:1	25.9
0.5	0.4	0.3		76	2.7	3.5	0.1	65	33	15.6:1	43.6
0.5	1.0	0.6		89.5	0.7	3.7	0	73	53	14.6:1	38.6
1.5	0.4	0.9		78.1	2.3	6.6	0.1	54	30	14.8:1	29.3
0.4	0.3	0.2		96	1.8	2	0.3	66	47	14.0:1	29.7
0.3	1.3	0.3		77.4	2.5	4.2	0.2	78	44	16.7:1	28.6
0.0	0.0	0.0		25	0	7.1	0	n/r	n/r	9.0:1	33.3
1.1	0.4	1.1		100	1.5	4	0	89	33	12.1:1	36.4

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Colorado		757,297	699,135	14,495	49,335	8,827	70.6	19.9
Elizabeth C-1	Elbert	2,552	2,514	156	0	38	93.2	3.9
Ellicott 22	El Paso	842	794		27	21	92.4	6.7
Englewood 1	Arapahoe	5,230	4,568		611	51	76.3	16.9
Falcon 49	El Paso	5,803	5,089		529	185	78.1	7.7
Florence RE-2	Fremont	2,063	1,964		50	49	88.2	10.2
Fort Morgan RE-3	Morgan	3,353	3,172		162	19	54.0	44.9
Fountain 8	El Paso	4,782	4,747		0	35	62.2	14.6
Fowler R-4J	Otero	396	386		0	10	86.0	13.7
Frenchman RE-3	Logan	237	229		0	8	94.8	5.2
Garfield 16	Garfield	752	746		0	6	92.8	6.2
Garfield RE-2	Garfield	3,559	3,491		36	32	83.6	14.5
Genoa-Hugo C113	Lincoln	308	308		0	0	88.0	6.8
Gilcrest RE-1	Weld	1,972	1,959		0	13	57.2	41.4
Gilpin County RE-1	Gilpin	392	384		0	8	94.5	3.6
Granada RE-1	Prowers	309	309		0	0	40.1	59.9
Greeley 6	Weld	15,876	14,584	658	1,216	76	56.8	40.4
Gunnison Watershed RE1J	Gunnison	1,779	1,672	17	60	47	93.4	4.8
Hanover 28	El Paso	198	194		0	4	74.2	18.6
Harrison 2	El Paso	10,569	10,450		0	119	45.2	22.1
Haxtun RE-2J	Phillips	321	310		0	11	94.5	1.3
Hayden RE-1	Routt	587	580		0	7	95.0	4.5
Hinsdale County RE 1	Hinsdale	81	66		nr	15	98.5	0.0
Hi-Plains R-23	Kit Carson	122	120		0	2	94.2	5.0
Hoehne Reorganized 3	Las Animas	343	342		0	1	69.6	29.5
Holly RE-3	Prowers	365	365		0	0	72.3	27.7
Holyoke RE-1J	Phillips	660	655		0	5	84.7	15.3
Huerfano RE-1	Huerfano	912	885		nr	27	38.4	58.9
Igancio 11 JT	La Plata	1,113	1,101		0	12	42.6	22.3
Jefferson County R-1	Jefferson	97,027	88,654	1,510	7,499	874	84.6	10.3
Johnstown-Milliken RE-5J	Weld	1,451	1,441		0	10	56.4	42.7
Julesburg RE-1	Sedgwick	362	356		0	6	79.2	18.3
Karval RE-23	Lincoln	107	97		0	10	96.9	3.1
Keenesburg RE-3(J)	Weld	1,533	1,509		0	24	77.8	20.3
Kim Reorganized 88	Las Animas	86	86		0	0	94.2	4.7
Kiowa C-2	Elbert	384	349		0	35	96.3	1.1
Kit Carson R-1	Cheyenne	137	134		0	3	94.0	4.5
La Veta RE-2	Huerfano	341	332		nr	9	86.1	12.0
Lake County R-1	Lake	1,342	1,331		0	11	51.8	46.6
Lamar RE-2	Prowers	1,955	1,915	73	20	20	59.5	39.3
Las Animas RE-1	Bent	748	745		0	3	55.6	41.7
Lewis-Palmer 38	El Paso	4,210	4,105	272	0	105	94.4	2.2
Limon RE-4J	Lincoln	656	648		0	8	94.1	2.8
Littleton 6	Arapahoe	17,768	16,399	796	1,195	174	90.2	5.4
Lone Star 101	Washington	93	93		0	0	92.5	6.5
Mancos RE-6	Montezuma	557	551		0	6	81.3	13.8
Manitou Springs 14	El Paso	1,411	1,394		nr	17	92.3	4.4
Manzanola 3J	Otero	287	282		0	5	40.4	58.5
Mapleton 1	Adams	5,177	4,939		205	33	58.4	33.5
McClave RE-2	Bent	290	290		0	0	77.9	21.7
Meeker RE1	Rio Blanco	771	751		0	20	91.5	6.9
Mesa County Valley 51	Mesa	20,320	19,146		981	193	85.1	12.3
Miami/Yoder 60 JT	El Paso	333	324		0	9	88.6	9.0
Moffat 2	Saguache	197	196	48	0	1	85.2	9.7
Moffat County RE no1	Moffat	2,771	2,697		0	74	90.5	7.5
Monte Vista C-8	Rio Grande	1,481	1,443		24	14	42.8	56.1
Montezuma-Cortez RE-1	Montezuma	3,632	3,513	24	78	41	68.1	8.9
Montrose County RE-1J	Montrose	5,707	5,338	22	182	187	78.6	19.9
Mountain Valley RE1	Saguache	210	190		1	19	63.2	35.3

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5.6	2.7	1.2	5.8	80.1	3.5	7.5	0.3	52	31	(See definitions pg. 33)	
0.9	0.8	1.2		85.3	2.3	5.1	0.2	70	39	17.0:1	27.0
0.9	0.0	0.0		77.5	1.7	11.2	0.1	59	23	15.1:1	20.8
3.0	1.6	2.2	25.6	85.6	2.4	7.1	0.1	58	30	20.3:1	56.9
7.6	4.5	2.2		81.6	1.5	13.6	0.1	55	28	18.0:1	32.7
0.7	0.4	0.6		91.2	1.8	12.2	0.4	43	18	17.1:1	39.5
0.3	0.5	0.3		70.7	5.2	8.5	0.3	47	21	16.3:1	28.3
18.9	2.7	1.7		81.6	3.9	10.3	0.4	54	32	16.8:1	48.4
0.3	0.0	0.0		95.5	0.9	2.9	0	85	39	11.8:1	29.4
0.0	0.0	0.0		80	0	4.7	0	n/r	n/r	11.0:1	22.7
0.1	0.9	0.0		79.1	1.2	7.1	0	35	9	16.6:1	28.9
0.3	0.5	1.0		86.9	0.6	6.2	0.5	54	23	19.1:1	33.7
3.9	0.0	1.3		91.7	0.7	1.5	0	71	19	12.5:1	4.2
0.3	0.5	0.6		67.6	3.7	14	0.4	56	22	16.5:1	29.9
1.0	0.0	0.8		82.1	0	4.5	0.3	63	33	10.7:1	42.8
0.0	0.0	0.0		86.7	1.5	5.1	0	53	23	11.5:1	19.2
0.9	1.1	0.7		64.5	5.1	5.9	0.6	51	29	18.6:1	54.3
0.1	0.8	1.0		76	2.4	5.1	0.1	67	34	14.2:1	46.3
6.2	1.0	0.0		87.5	0	5.7	0	n/r	n/r	10.8:1	37.5
26.2	5.3	1.1		69.5	4.5	13.5	0.5	43	24	15.2:1	43.0
1.3	2.6	0.3		100	0	8	0.6	88	59	12.5:1	35.7
0.0	0.2	0.3		88.4	3.2	6	0	70	26	14.5:1	34.2
0.0	1.5	0.0		0	0	0	0	n/r	n/r	15.0:1	0.0
0.0	0.8	0.0		100	0	0	0	n/r	n/r	7.0:1	27.8
0.9	0.0	0.0		100	0	3.4	0	96	71	14.7:1	34.8
0.0	0.0	0.0		90	1.1	1.1	0	46	25	13.9:1	46.2
0.0	0.0	0.0		89.4	1.6	0.8	0	84	43	14.8:1	11.4
0.9	0.6	1.2		78.7	4.7	8.8	0.3	68	24	16.7:1	36.8
0.9	0.2	34.1		65.5	2.7	8.9	0.6	54	22	14.5:1	42.7
1.3	3.1	0.8	2.6	83.3	3.9	6.9	0.3	64	38	21.1:1	56.2
0.2	0.3	0.3		65.1	6.6	12.6	0	64	40	16.3:1	39.5
1.4	1.1	0.0		87.5	0	6.8	0	71	29	13.4:1	23.1
0.0	0.0	0.0		100	0	0	0	n/r	n/r	9.8:1	30.0
0.3	1.1	0.5		93.8	0.1	10.1	0.5	49	20	16.4:1	47.2
0.0	0.0	1.2		100	0	4.2	0	n/r	n/r	6.9:1	16.7
1.1	0.9	0.6		91.3	3.1	1.7	0.3	48	24	13.1:1	15.4
0.0	1.5	0.0		92.9	1.4	0.7	0	75	56	8.1:1	11.8
0.6	1.2	0.0		94.6	1.1	1.2	0	90	62	14.3:1	43.5
0.5	0.7	0.5		81.3	3.9	9.5	0.3	59	27	18.3:1	26.7
0.4	0.4	0.4		78.2	4	9.9	0.3	54	23	15.5:1	50.4
0.7	0.5	1.5		90	0.8	13.8	0.1	47	17	13.0:1	25.9
1.2	1.6	0.6		85.1	1.7	4.7	0.5	79	53	20.8:1	37.6
0.8	0.5	1.9		87.2	1.4	9.5	0	55	32	18.0:1	17.6
1.4	2.5	0.4		93.4	0.5	4.4	0.1	73	46	18.5:1	50.3
1.1	0.0	0.0		100	1.9	0	0	n/r	n/r	8.8:1	27.3
1.1	0.5	3.3		85.7	1.1	5.3	0.2	62	42	14.0:1	18.9
0.3	1.3	1.7		89.1	0.6	5.4	0.3	66	48	18.2:1	45.2
0.4	0.0	0.7		61.9	2.9	2.7	0	63	38	12.4:1	14.0
2.2	3.3	2.5		81.4	4.6	6.9	0.1	41	23	20.3:1	29.7
0.3	0.0	0.0		95.5	2.2	4.9	0	n/r	n/r	11.4:1	12.0
0.1	0.5	0.9		88.6	2.4	2.4	0.1	71	52	15.9:1	22.4
0.7	1.0	0.9		78	5.2	6.1	0.3	58	30	18.3:1	45.8
1.9	0.3	0.3		80	0.6	8.2	1	73	33	13.2:1	24.0
1.0	3.6	0.5		87.5	1	1.5	0	n/r	n/r	8.7:1	16.0
0.1	0.4	1.4		80.8	2.6	5.9	0.2	63	24	19.1:1	46.7
0.1	0.1	0.8		84.4	4.1	7.6	0.4	48	26	16.0:1	40.9
0.3	0.6	22.0	4.3	63.3	4.7	8.7	0.8	44	24	17.1:1	43.7
0.4	0.5	0.6		65.3	4.9	8.8	0.5	58	26	17.4:1	44.5
0.0	0.0	1.6		94.7	0	4.4	0	n/r	n/r	9.9:1	31.6

District	County	Number of Pupils Fall 1998	1998 Pre K-12 Public School Students (#)	1998 Charter School Students (#)	1998 K-12 Ind. School Students (#)	1998 K-12 Home School Students (#)	White (%)	Hispanic (%)
Colorado		757,297	699,135	14,495	49,335	8,827	70.6	19.9
North Park R-1	Jackson	313	306		0	7	88.9	9.8
Northglenn-Thornton 12	Adams	28,544	27,955	1,644	392	197	72.8	19.8
Norwood R-2J	San Miguel	335	324		nr	11	90.7	6.5
Otis R-3	Washington	214	211		0	3	98.1	1.9
Ouray R-1	Ouray	271	262		0	9	89.3	6.1
Park (Estes Park) R-3	Larimer	1,437	1,344		65	28	92.4	4.6
Park County RE-2	Park	711	625	165	0	86	92.5	5.0
Pawnee RE-12	Weld	139	139		0	0	93.5	6.5
Peyton 23 JT	El Paso	734	687		0	47	95.8	2.0
Plainview RE-2	Kiowa	88	87		0	1	93.1	5.7
Plateau RE-5	Logan	166	163		0	3	98.2	1.8
Plateau Valley 50	Mesa	581	557		0	24	80.1	13.3
Platte Canyon 1	Park	1,737	1,584		102	51	93.1	3.9
Platte Valley RE-3	Sedgwick	141	139		0	2	80.6	16.5
Platte Valley RE-7	Weld	1,077	1,077		0	0	75.9	21.6
Poudre R-1	Larimer	25,096	23,178	440	1,565	353	84.2	10.8
Prairie RE-11	Weld	130	130		0	0	91.5	4.6
Primer Reorganized 2	Las Animas	193	186		0	7	71.5	26.3
Pritchett RE-3	Baca	103	103		0	0	93.2	6.8
Pueblo City 60	Pueblo	18,874	17,789	448	976	109	42.5	52.8
Pueblo County Rural 70	Pueblo	6,547	6,456	263	nr	91	74.7	23.2
Rangely RE-4	Rio Blanco	758	746		0	12	92.9	5.9
Ridgway R-2	Ouray	314	297		nr	17	93.6	5.1
Roaring Fork RE-1	Garfield	5,330	4,909	190	390	31	77.9	20.4
Rocky Ford R-2	Otero	1,185	1,098		74	13	32.2	66.2
Salida R-32	Chaffee	1,413	1,297		98	18	87.0	10.4
Sanford 6J	Conejas	363	361		0	2	66.2	33.8
Sangre de Cristo RE-22J	Alamosa	338	321		0	17	76.6	18.1
Sargent RE-33J	Rio Grande	418	415		0	3	71.8	25.8
Sheridan 2	Arapahoe	2,198	2,102		89	7	53.4	38.0
Sierra Grande R-30	Costilla	324	317		0	7	28.1	68.5
Silverton 1	San Juan	100	86		0	14	80.2	19.8
South Conejas RE-10	Conejas	446	444		0	2	9.5	89.2
South Routt RE 3	Routt	460	460		0	0	94.6	5.0
Springfield RE-4	Baca	389	388		0	1	89.7	9.3
St. Vrain Valley RE1J	Boulder	19,906	18,397	479	1,398	111	77.9	18.7
Steamboat Springs RE-2	Routt	2,180	1,922		254	4	96.7	1.8
Strasburg 31J	Adams	605	592		0	13	92.7	4.7
Stratton R-4	Kit Carson	310	303		0	7	92.1	7.6
Summit RE-1	Summit	2,609	2,526	42	65	18	90.9	7.4
Swink 33	Otero	358	358		nr	0	83.8	14.5
Telluride R-1	San Miguel	505	493		0	12	95.9	3.0
Thompson R-2J	Larimer	15,502	14,161		1,084	257	89.2	8.0
Trinidad 1	Las Animas	1,786	1,515		220	51	36.3	61.6
Valley RE-1	Logan	2,927	2,743		131	53	82.9	16.1
Vilas RE-5	Baca	79	79		0	0	79.7	17.7
Walsh RE-1	Baca	263	252		0	11	86.5	13.5
Weld RE-8	Weld	2,664	2,635		0	29	50.2	48.3
Weldon Valley RE-20(J)	Morgan	159	159		0	0	88.7	11.3
West End RE-2	Montrose	552	544		0	8	94.5	4.2
West Grand 1-JT	Grand	542	526		0	16	92.0	7.6
West Yuma County RJ-1	Yuma	1,124	1,083		21	20	81.6	17.6
Westminster 50	Adams	12,419	11,504	176	853	62	50.5	35.9
Widefield 3	El Paso	8,773	8,437		212	124	66.0	13.0
Wiggins RE-50(J)	Morgan	619	619		0	0	78.0	19.5
Wiley RE-13 JT	Prowers	371	369		0	2	85.1	14.9
Windsor RE-4	Weld	2,393	2,362		0	31	83.7	14.1
Woodland Park RE-2	Teller	3,466	3,281		21	164	92.8	3.8
Woodlin R-104	Washington	127	125		0	2	96.0	4.0

Black (%)	Asian Pacific (%)	Native American (%)	Students w/Access to School-Based Health Centers (%)	1997-1998 Graduation Rate (%)	1997-1998 Grades 7-12 Dropout Rates (%)	1997-1998 Suspensions (%)	1997-1998 Expulsions (%)	4th Grade Students Proficient in Reading (%) 4th Gr. CSAP	4th Grade Students Proficient in Writing (%) 4th Gr. CSAP	Student Teacher Ratio	Teachers w/Master's Degree or Higher (%)
5.6	2.7	1.2	5.8	80.1	3.5	7.5	0.3	52	31	(See definitions pg. 33)	
0.0	0.7	0.7		87.5	1.2	4.4	0.3	70	30	13.6:1	4.2
2.1	3.9	1.3		85.7	3.6	8.6	0.4	51	31	19.8:1	41.5
1.5	0.6	0.6		82.1	1.8	1.5	0.3	55	15	12.0:1	30.8
0.0	0.0	0.0		86.7	1	3.8	0	n/r	n/r	10.9:1	5.3
0.4	1.5	2.7		100	0.7	3	0	55	10	11.3:1	40.0
1.0	1.1	0.8		83.2	2.5	5	0.7	76	51	17.0:1	32.9
1.4	0.2	1.0	20.2	92.9	0	11.4	0.5	64	32	14.3:1	31.3
0.0	0.0	0.0		90	3.1	4.3	0	n/r	n/r	8.6:1	17.6
1.0	0.9	0.3		100	0	2.6	0	44	17	17.2:1	16.7
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5.4	0.0	1.3		24.8	33.2	0.8	0.2	54	31	13.0:1	35.6
0.8	0.5	1.7		92.2	1.1	6.6	0.1	83	60	17.1:1	31.6
0.0	2.9	0.0		100	1.3	1.4	0	n/r	n/r	8.2:1	22.2
0.1	0.6	1.8		81.9	3.5	7	0.3	71	44	16.1:1	36.9
1.4	2.6	1.0	0.7	82.4	3.1	4.1	0	73	50	19.3:1	47.9
2.3	1.5	0.0		84.6	0	1.4	0	n/r	n/r	8.1:1	5.3
0.0	2.2	0.0		100	1	4.9	0.5	n/r	n/r	10.9:1	27.8
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2.3	0.7	1.7	12.8	88.7	4.4	11.2	0.2	57	31	19.2:1	15.3
0.8	0.8	0.6		82.9	2.3	8.8	0.7	66	38	19.9:1	40.9
0.1	0.0	1.1		79.4	2.6	5.8	0.1	60	24	17.6:1	22.7
0.0	1.3	0.0		79.3	3.7	4.3	0	86	36	13.8:1	33.3
0.4	0.9	0.3		77.6	3.7	5.7	0.4	63	23	18.1:1	29.9
0.7	0.6	0.2		84.6	4.3	14	0.7	53	28	11.8:1	25.3
0.1	1.0	1.5		88.3	1.4	8.1	0.2	52	30	14.0:1	38.9
0.0	0.0	0.0		100	0.6	4.6	0	55	21	12.9:1	33.3
4.4	0.3	0.6		84.6	0.5	3.6	0	72	40	n/r	n/r
0.0	0.0	2.4		86.7	0.8	9.6	0.2	81	48	12.9:1	30.3
3.3	3.5	1.9	100.0	93.3	4.2	16.2	0	41	15	16.0:1	45.9
0.0	3.5	0.0		100	0	13.4	0.6	39	13	15.5:1	41.7
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0.9	0.2	0.2		96.9	1.7	4.1	0.4	55	18	13.6:1	22.9
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0.4	0.9	0.4	63.5	81.8	1.7	4.9	0.1	63	38	15.3:1	46.1
1.1	0.3	0.3		93.1	1	1.2	0	80	60	11.9:1	24.0
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0.0	0.0	2.5		66.7	3.7	1.1	0	n/r	n/r	7.6:1	8.3
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0.7	0.5	0.3		69.4	3.8	12.4	1.3	41	13	17.6:1	34.9
0.0	0.0	0.0		85.7	1.2	4.5	0	n/r	n/r	9.1:1	0.0
0.0	0.6	0.7		80.6	4.3	7.9	0	61	39	14.4:1	26.3
0.0	0.4	0.0		91.3	1.7	6.8	0.2	64	26	13.8:1	26.8
0.2	0.2	0.4		88.1	1.1	4.6	0	44	15	12.0:1	18.6
1.8	10.4	1.4	29.5	78.3	6.3	7.5	0.5	39	20	17.6:1	30.6
15.5	4.2	1.4		83.3	2.2	9.1	0.2	57	32	18.3:1	40.2
0.6	0.6	1.1		75	4.8	5.1	0.2	58	29	14.8:1	23.1
0.0	0.0	0.0		100	0	0.9	0	90	43	14.2:1	23.0
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1.0	1.1	1.3		84.6	2.3	6.2	0.4	69	35	18.2:1	57.3
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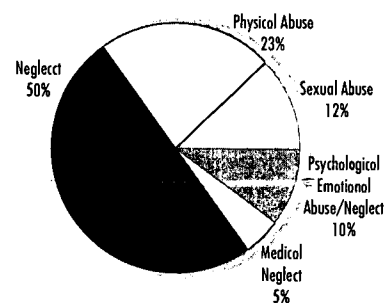
Child Safety

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Across the country more than three children die every day as a result of abuse or neglect. In 1998, 5,120 children throughout Colorado were confirmed to have been abused or neglected and 28 died as a result of abuse or neglect.

Public policy plays a role in reducing child abuse and neglect because it focuses attention and resources on both prevention and treatment and legal consequences. Currently, the major focus is on intervention once abuse or neglect has occurred. More community-based early intervention programs for children and parents are needed as well as high quality foster care for maltreated children.

CHILD MALTREATMENT IN COLORADO 1997



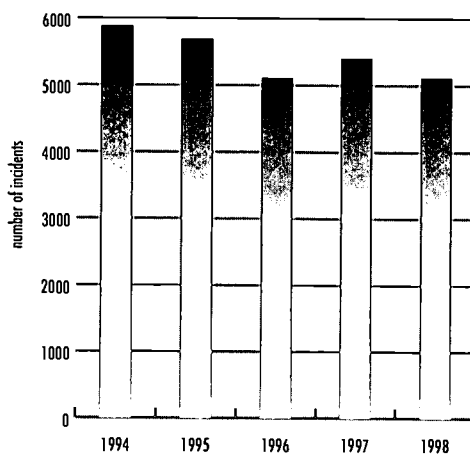
Source: Child Maltreatment 1997: Reports from the States to the National Abuse & Neglect Data System

INFANT MORTALITY

The Colorado Child Fatality Review Committee (CFRC) has been reviewing all child deaths in the state since 1989. Formed jointly by the Department of Public Health and Environment and the Department of Human Services, this task force of multi-disciplinary professionals tracks child deaths and evaluates system responses to children and families who are at high risk.

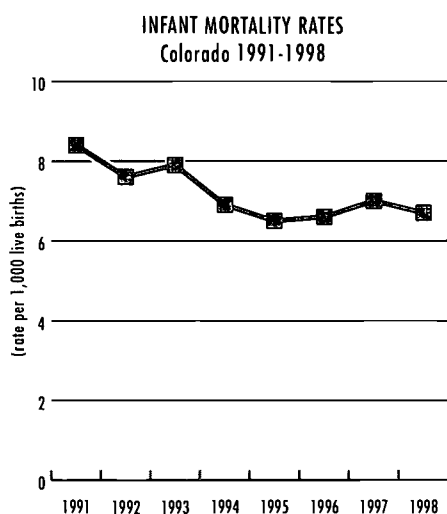
According to the CFRC, 57.3% of infants who died from 1990-1994 were male and 42.7% were female. The CFRC reports that three underlying causes of death account for 84% of all infant deaths. They are perinatal conditions such as low birth weight (36.4%), congenital anomalies including heart conditions and respiratory and nervous system problems (24%), and symptoms of Sudden Infant Death Syndrome (23%).

CONFIRMED INCIDENTS OF ABUSE AND NEGLECT COLORADO 1994-1998

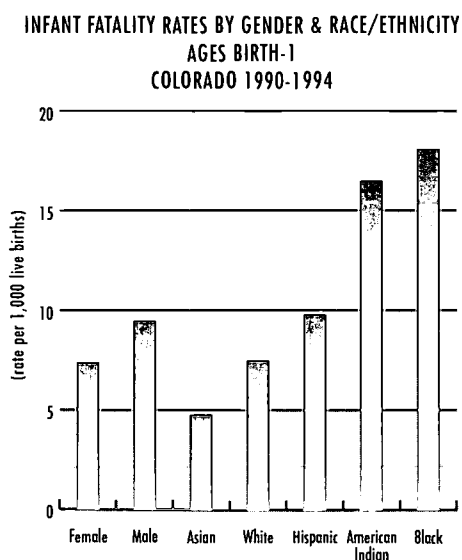


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CO Department of Human Services

A national study found that the infant mortality rate for children born into poor families was more than 50% higher than for children born into families with incomes above the poverty line. According to the CFRC, infant mortality rates are higher for infants living in rural areas than for infants in metropolitan areas.



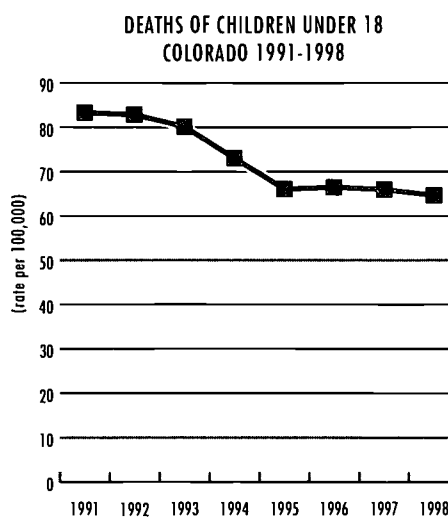
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UNINTENTIONAL CHILD FATALITIES

The CFRC identifies preventable deaths, defined by the Committee as a death in which a reasonable intervention (medical, educational, legal, etc.) might have prevented the death. The CFRC determined that 25% of deaths of children under 17 from 1990-1994 were preventable. Another finding was that the older the child, the more preventable the incident. For example, only 6% of infant deaths were determined to be preventable while 78% of deaths of 15-16 year-olds were deemed preventable. Deaths among Hispanic children were more likely to be considered preventable (29.3%) than deaths among white children (25%). Deaths among black children were least likely to be considered preventable (22.8%).



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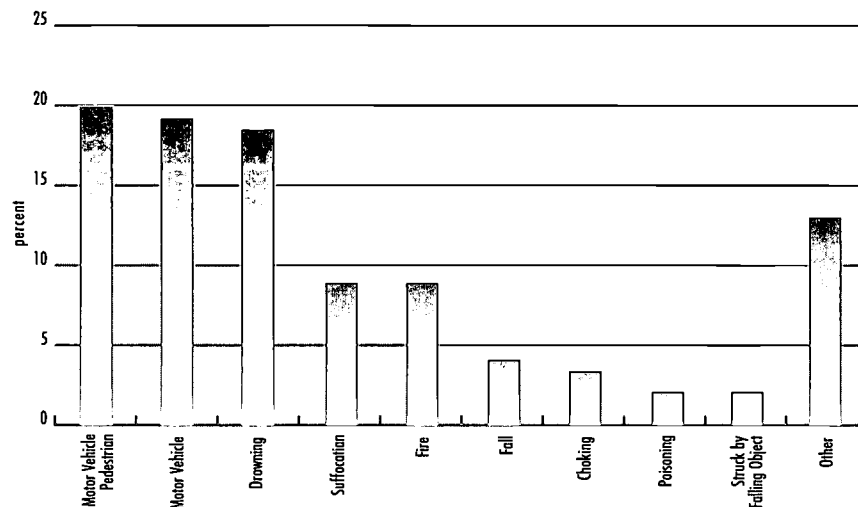
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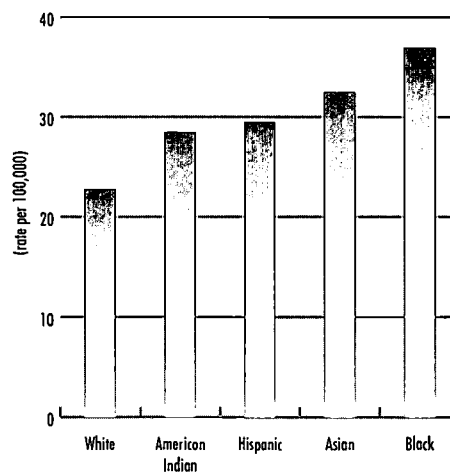


UNINTENTIONAL FATALITIES BY CAUSE CHILDREN AGE 1-4 COLORADO 1990-1994



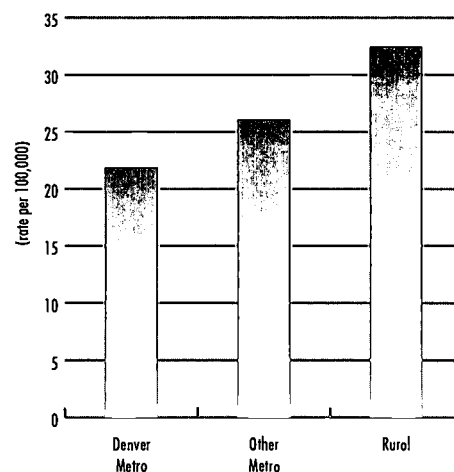
Source: Colorado Child Fatality Report, June 1998

CHILDHOOD DEATHS* BY ETHNICITY, AGES 1-15 COLORADO 1994-1996



* From Selected Leading Causes - unintentional injuries, malignant neoplasms, homicides/suicides, and congenital anomalies.
Source: Health Statistics Section
CO Department of Public Health & Environment Brief No. 31, March 1999

RATE OF CHILDHOOD DEATHS* BY REGION, AGES 1-15 COLORADO 1994-1996



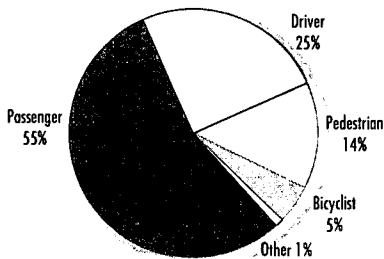
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MOTOR VEHICLE

Motor vehicle-related injuries are the leading cause of death among children ages 1-17. According to the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment, motor-vehicle related injuries accounted for 65% of unintentional injury deaths for children ages 1-15 between 1994 and 1996. From 1995 to 1997 there were 297 child fatalities in Colorado that were the result of motor vehicle crashes.

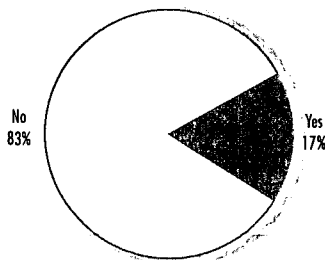


ROLE OF DECEASED CHILD
IN MOTOR VEHICLE-RELATED ACCIDENTS
AGES 0-17
COLORADO 1995-1997



Source: CO Child Fatality Review Brief
April 1999

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DECEASED CHILD, AGES 0-17
COLORADO 1995-1997



Source: CO Child Fatality Review Brief
April 1999

KEEP KIDS SAFE...

There are plenty of actions we can each take to ensure the safety of children in Colorado:

- ✧ Be a voice for a child in an abuse or neglect court proceeding by becoming a Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA). To learn more about becoming a Colorado CASA volunteer call 303-623-5380.
- ✧ Become a full-time foster parent or emergency foster parent, or adopt a child. There is a shortage of nurturing homes for maltreated children in Colorado.

*Of the children killed
in motor vehicle-related
incidents in Colorado
(1995-1997), only 17%
were secured in
safety restraints.*



Youth at Risk

TEEN PREGNANCY

Teenage childbearing often diminishes opportunities for both the mother and the child. Teenage mothers have a low probability of receiving the emotional and financial resources needed to become independent and productive adults. Programs that offer child care to mothers and allow them to finish school are in high demand. Offering young moms and dads parent education and other life skills training will help prevent future problems including abuse and neglect of their children, and often deter them from having more children as teenagers.

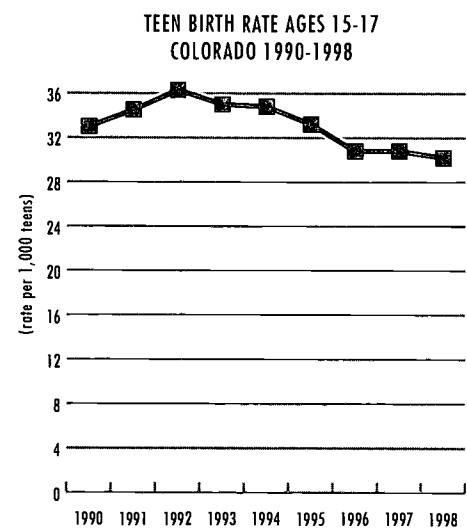
Children born to single mothers are more likely to drop out of school, give birth out-of-wedlock, and to be dependent on public assistance. As a result, children of single moms must overcome high odds to thrive.

Research has repeatedly identified conditions associated with teen pregnancy. Teens most likely to have a child:

- are from economically disadvantaged families and communities,
- don't do well in school and have low educational aspirations,
- have substance abuse and behavioral problems.

Teen birth rates have been decreasing nationally since 1991. Colorado has been mirroring this trend as the birth rate for Colorado teens, ages 15-17, dropped 17 percent between 1992 and 1998.

We encourage communities to continue tailoring programs to prevent teen pregnancies and to support young families.



Source: CO Department of Public Health & Environment

TEENAGE DROPOUTS

While many students stay in school, graduate on time, and receive a good education, far too many drop out. Teens who drop out of high school dramatically increase their chances of living in poverty. They are

three times more likely to be poor than high school graduates. As the workforce continues to advance technologically, more and more jobs will require advanced skills and technical knowledge, making it even more difficult for high school dropouts to find meaningful jobs and be financially successful.

We know that youth involved in high-risk behaviors, including substance abuse, are more likely to drop out of school. Substance abuse among teens is a problem nationally. The number of Colorado teens in treatment for substance abuse has increased nearly every year since 1990.

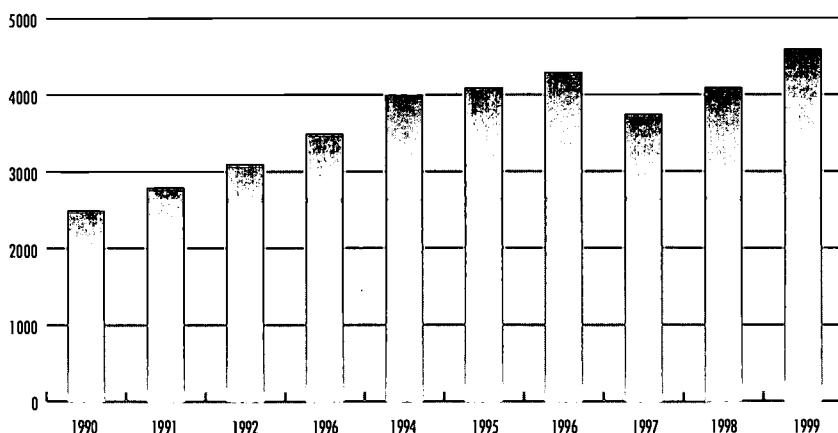
YOUTH VIOLENCE

In Colorado, we renewed our focus on youth crime prevention following the "1993 summer of violence" when multiple, mostly urban, violent crimes were committed by youth. A number of programs were instituted and legislation was passed directed at reducing youth crime. The Colorado Children's Campaign was instrumental in creating the Youth Crime Prevention Intervention Fund in 1994. Last year's Columbine High School tragedy shattered many of our preconceptions about juvenile crime. Now we must learn from it and do our best to assure that it never happens again.



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YOUTH AGES 12-18
IN TREATMENT FOR SUBSTANCE ABUSE
COLORADO 1990-1999



Source: Alcohol and Drug Abuse Division,
Colorado Department of Human Services



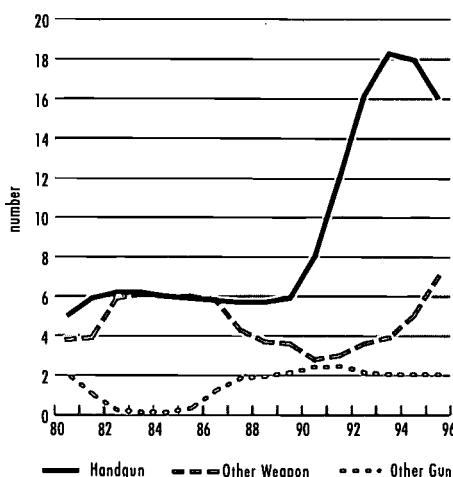
Findings from a study by the Center for the Study and Prevention of Violence (CSPV) at the University of Colorado, Boulder indicate:

- While the total number of murders committed in the U.S. is flat or has decreased over the past 20 years, murders by adolescents using handguns increased by 150% between 1985 and 1993.
- Overwhelmingly, males ages 15-18 are the perpetrators in murders involving young people, with handguns being the most common weapon used.
- For Colorado males 15-18, the number of handgun killings rose nearly fourfold in a five-year period from 1988-1993.

Youth violence across the U.S.:

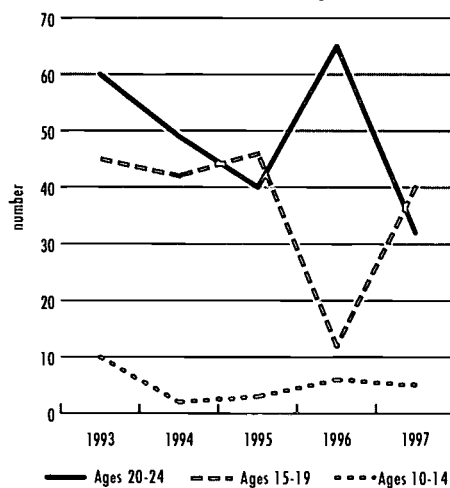
- Children face a one in a million chance of being killed at school per year.
- More than 8 children die from gunfire every day.

HOMICIDES COMMITTED
BY MALES 15-18 BY TYPE OF WEAPON
COLORADO 1980-1996



Source: Supplementary Homicide Reports
Center for the Study & Prevention of Violence

FIREARM DEATHS BY AGE GROUP
COLORADO 1993-1997
(includes suicide, homicide, and legal interventions)



Source: CO Department of Public Health & Environment
Health Statistics and Vital Records Section

- 3,024 children die from gunfire every year.
- There are 3.8 murdered juveniles per 100,000 juveniles — about 40 times the in-school death rate.
- 6,093 students were expelled during the 1996-97 school year for bringing firearms or explosives to school.

Fortunately, there is some evidence of what is effective in preventing youth violence. The CSPV along with other researchers have identified characteristics of programs and services that are effective in preventing youth violence including early child-

COUNT OF SCHOOL SHOOTING DEATHS IN THE U.S.

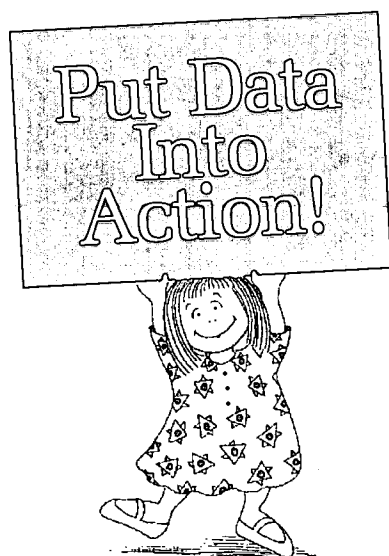
1992-93	55 deaths
1993-94	51 deaths
1994-95	20 deaths
1995-96	35 deaths
1996-97	25 deaths
1997-98	40 deaths

hood development, graduation incentives, and youth and parent training.

In 1994, the Colorado Youth Crime Prevention and Intervention

Fund (YCPI) was created to increase community programs aimed at reducing violent youth crime.

1999-2000 YCPI GRANTEES BY CATEGORY		
Academic/Education	58	\$2,703,600
Community Service	16	\$576,895
Counseling	6	\$140,000
Creative Arts	6	\$141,578
Domestic Violence	3	\$66,013
Dropout Prevention	5	\$218,050
Employment	3	\$130,000
Gang Intervention	4	\$120,000
Mentoring	29	\$984,054
Parenting & Abuse Prevention	22	\$1,184,776
Recreation	6	\$114,040
Information & Referral	0	\$0
Training	7	\$360,986
Other	27	\$1,287,269
Total All Programs	192	\$8,057,321



SHOW YOUTH IN YOUR COMMUNITY YOU CARE...

- ✧ Donate items to organizations that serve teen parents.
- ✧ Support responsible fatherhood initiatives and programs.
- ✧ Support and volunteer at local after-school programs for youth.
- ✧ Tutor a student living in your community – contact your local school to get involved.
- ✧ Be available to kids in your neighborhood. Talk to them, learn about their interests, share your wisdom with them.



Researchers have identified the following characteristics of programs to be effective in preventing youth violence: early childhood development, graduation incentives, and youth and parent training.

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School District Indicator Definitions

Number of pupils fall 1998 (number)

Pupils in membership as of the October One Day Count.

1998 Pre K-12 public school students (number)

1998 Charter school students (number)

1998 K-12 home school students (number)

1998 K-12 independent school students (number)

Number of public school, Charter school, independent schools, and home school students provided by the Colorado Department of Education.

Students with access to school-based health centers (percent)

Percent of students in each district with access to school-based health centers provided by the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment.

High school graduation rate (percent)

"The 1998 graduation rate is a four-year rate based on students reported by school districts who began 9th grade in the 1994-95 school year. The membership base used to calculate a high school's graduation rate includes students who transfer into the Class of 1998, and excludes students who transfer out of the Class of 1998. In addition, high schools can adjust their membership base for a student reported as a dropout during a previous school year if the high school has documentation that the student returned or transferred to another education program." 1997-98 *Colorado Graduation Rates for Class of 1998, March 1999*. The 1998 graduation rate provided by the Colorado Department of Education.

High school dropout rate (percent)

"The dropout rate is an annual rate reflecting the percentage of all students enrolled in grades 7-12 who leave school during the reporting period and are not known to transfer to other public or private schools. In accordance with a 1993 legislative mandate, beginning with the 1993-94 school year, the dropout rate calculation excludes expelled students." – 1997-98 *Annual Dropout Rates for Grades 7-12, March 1999*. The 1997-98 public school dropout rate provided by the Colorado Department of Education.

Suspension rate (percent) and Expulsion rate (percent)

The 1997-98 public school suspension and expulsion rates provided by the Colorado Department of Education. A student suspended more than once is counted for each occurrence in the suspension rate.

4th grade students proficient in Reading on CSAP (percent)

4th grade students proficient in Writing on CSAP (percent)

Percent of students rating proficient or better on CSAP reading and writing tests provided by the Colorado Department of Education. A student proficient in reading demonstrates comprehension of a variety of reading selections by using multiple strategies. A student proficient in writing demonstrates a variety of skills including logic, age-appropriate vocabulary, spelling and simple sentence patterns.

Student: teacher ratio

The number of students in membership per the October One Day Count divided by the full time equivalency of teaching assignments serving these students. Colorado Department of Education data compiled by the National Conference of State Legislatures in *Teaching in Colorado: An Inventory of Policies and Practices, February 2000*. The mean student to teacher ratio is 14.4:1. The median student to teacher ratio is 14.7:1. The range of student to teacher ratios is 5.1:1 – 21.1:1.

Teachers with at least a Master's degree (percent)

Percent of teachers achieving a Master's degree or higher as of Fall 1997. Colorado Department of Education data compiled by the National Conference of State Legislatures in *Teaching in Colorado: An Inventory of Policies and Practices, February 2000*. The mean % of teachers with at least a Master's degree is 31.6%. The median % of teachers with at least a Master's degree is 31.1%. The range of teachers with at least a Master's degree is 0 – 72.7%.

n/r indicates that a school district did not report information.

County Indicator Definitions

Children receiving AFDC (rate per 1,000)

Number of children receiving Aid to Families with Dependent Children provided by the Colorado Department of Human Services. Population estimates prepared by the Demography Section, Colorado Department of Local Affairs. The rate is the monthly average number of children receiving AFDC per 1,000 children. Calculations by the Colorado Children's Campaign. Final year of data is for January - June 1997. AFDC ended June 1997.

Children receiving TANF (rate per 1,000)

Number of children receiving Temporary Assistance to Needy Families provided by the Colorado Department of Human Services. Population estimates prepared by the Demography Section, Colorado Department of Local Affairs. The rate is the monthly average number of children receiving TANF per 1,000 children. Calculations by the Colorado Children's Campaign. First year of data is for July-December 1997. TANF began July 1997.

Children qualifying for free lunch (percent)

Percent of children in public school who qualify for free school lunches provided by the Colorado Department of Education. Public school children qualify for free lunches if their family income is less than 130% of the official poverty level. Comparable 1991 data not available due to significant change in reporting practices.

Children in out-of-home placements (rate per 1,000)

Out-of-home placements include family foster care, specialized group homes, residential childcare facilities, independent living situations, foster care with relatives, residential treatment centers, detention, legal risk adoptions, medical care, and both emergency and non-emergency placements in receiving or shelters. Rate of emergency and non-emergency out-of-home placements by the Department of Human Services per 1,000 children provided by the Child Welfare Services Division, Colorado Department of Human Services.

Births to single moms (percent)

Births to single moms per 100 live births provided by the Health Statistics Section, Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment.

Moms receiving early prenatal care (percent)

Births for which prenatal care was initiated in the first trimester of pregnancy per 100 live births with known start of prenatal care provided by the Health Statistics Section, Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment.

Low birth weight births (percent)

Babies born weighing 5.5 pounds or less (less than 2.5 kilograms) per 100 live births provided by the Health Statistics Section, Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment.

Children 0-3 with disabilities (number)

Number of children birth-3 with developmental disabilities provided by the Early Childhood Initiatives, Colorado Department of Education. Includes children with significant developmental delays or medical conditions associated with significant developmental delays.

Children with asthma (number)

The prevalence estimate for the number of children 0-17 with asthma provided by the American Lung Association in American Lung Association Lung Disease Data Book 1999.

Children eligible for CHP+ (number)

Estimated number of children eligible for the Child Health Plan Plus as of December 31, 1999 provided by the Colorado Child Health Plan Plus.

CHP+ Enrollment (number)

Number of children enrolled in the Child Health Plan Plus provided by the Colorado Child Health Plan Plus. This number reflects children documented by CHP+ as of January 6, 2000 for December 1999 and is subject to increase.

Deaths of infants under age 1 (rate per 1,000)

Deaths during the first year of life per 1,000 live births provided by the Health Statistics Section, Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment.

Deaths of children under age 18 (rate per 100,000)

Deaths per 100,000 children under 18 provided by the Health Statistics Section, Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment, includes deaths from natural causes (such as illness or congenital defects) and injury (including motor vehicle deaths, homicides and suicides).

Confirmed incidents of abuse/neglect (number)

Number of confirmed incidents of child abuse or neglect provided by the Central Registry of Child Protection, Division of Child Welfare Services, Colorado Department of Human Services. An incident may involve more than one child, and includes physical abuse, neglect, medical neglect, sexual abuse and psychological or emotional abuse or neglect.

Abuse/neglect referrals (number)

Number of child abuse and neglect referrals provided by the Central Registry of Child Protection, Division of Child Welfare Services, Colorado Department of Human Services.

Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (percent)

Percent of child abuse and neglect referrals which were investigated provided by the Central Registry of Child Protection, Division of Child Welfare Services, Colorado Department of Human Services.

Child care facility closures (number)

Number of closures of child care facilities provided by the Division of Child Care, Colorado Department of Human Services.

New applications for child care facilities (number)

Number of facilities that have applied for child care facility openings for fiscal year 1998-1999 provided by the Division of Child Care, Colorado Department of Human Services. At the printing of this report the applications were pending approval.

Child Care Pilot Community

Consolidated Child Care Pilot sites established by the Colorado State Legislature in 1997. See page 14 for more detailed information.

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)

Live births to girls, ages 15-17, per 1,000 female teens of that age provided by the Health Statistics Section, Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment.

Three risk factor births (percent)

Births that are to single mothers under 25 years of age with less than a high school education per 100 live births provided by the Health Statistics Section, Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment.

Teen suicide rate 5-year average (rate per 100,000)

Average annual suicides per 100,000 children ages 10-17 provided by the Health Statistics Section, Colorado Department of Public Health & Environment.

Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000) Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 100,000)

Numbers of juvenile arrests provided by the Colorado Bureau of Investigation, Crime Information Center in Crime in Colorado, the Annual Report of the Department of Public Safety. Population estimates provided by the Demography section, Colorado Department of Local Affairs. Calculations by the Colorado Children's Campaign. The arrest rate is the number of all juvenile arrests (ages 5-17) per 1,000 youth ages 10-17. The violent crime arrest rate is the number of arrests of juveniles ages 5-17 for violent crimes (homicide, forcible rape, aggravated assault, and robbery) per 10,000 youth ages 10-17. All agencies may not have reported 12 months of juvenile arrest data; the rates are subject to change. The annual figures include all arrests of youth during the year reported by law enforcement agencies. An individual is counted once for each time s/he is arrested. If the arrest is for multiple offenses, the arrest is counted only for the most serious offense. Statewide rates include arrests made by the Colorado State Patrol, but county rates do not. Note that 11 cities in Colorado are located in two or more counties but their arrest figures are attributed to one county. (Arvada/ Jefferson, Aurora/Adams, Basalt/Eagle, Bow Mar/Arapahoe, Brighton/Adams, Broomfield/Boulder, Center/Saguache, Erie/Weld, Green Mountain Falls/ El Paso, Littleton/ Arapahoe, and Westminster/Adams.)

Committed youth (number)

The number of youth on average per day in residential programs for committed youth provided by the Division of Youth Corrections, Colorado Department of Human Services. Total for the state also includes youth from other states and countries in programs in Colorado.

The Colorado Children's Campaign relies on data from federal, state and local agencies. These agencies are the final authority relating to the quality of any data.

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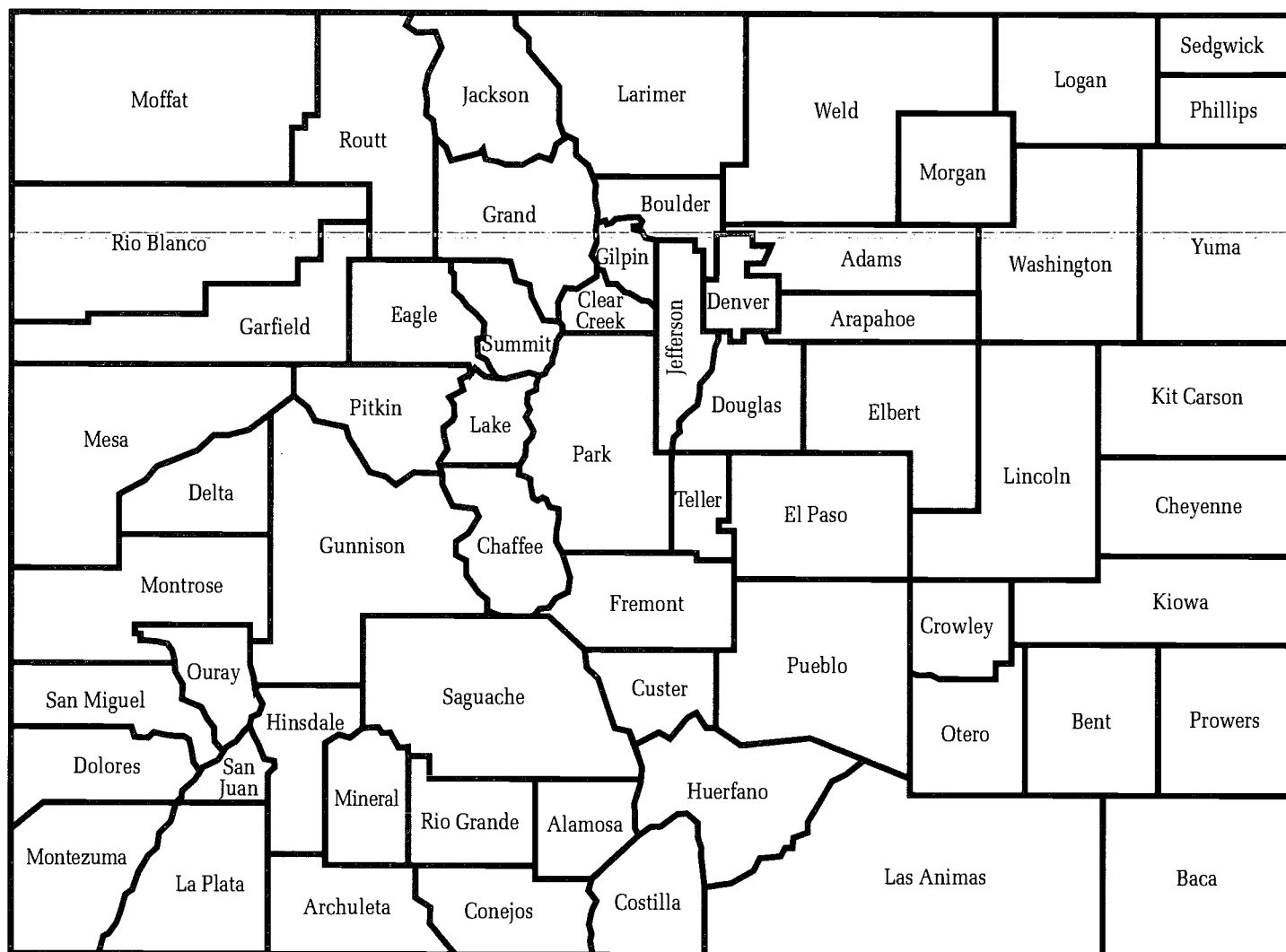
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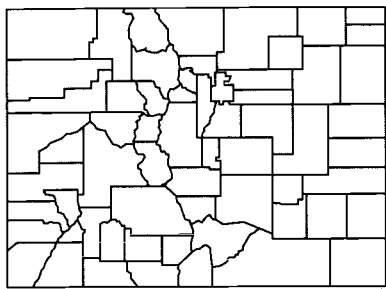
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County Report Cards



Colorado



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	4,098,304
1999 population under 5	289,630
1999 population under 18	1,067,049
1998 # of live births	59,550

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$35,930
Median income of married couple family	\$40,095
Median income of female headed family	\$17,505
# of children living in poverty	126,181
% of children living in poverty	15%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98	91-98 % CHANGE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	85.9	83.9	53.4('97)	--
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		44.7('97)	32.2	--
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		20.8	27.7	--
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	9.5	13.4	13.4	+41.0
Births to single moms (%)	23.8	25.0	25.5	+7.1

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	78.6	80.7	82.2	+4.6
Low birth weight births (%)	8.2	8.6	8.7	+6.1
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			3,638	--
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			73,175	--
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			68,843	--
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			22,577	--
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	8.4	6.9	6.7	-20.2
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	83.3	73.1	64.7	-22.3

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)	5,886	5,120	--
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)	48,320	46,462	--
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)	64.2	61.5	--

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)	1,383	--
New applications for child care facilities (#)	1,700	--
Child Care Pilot Communities	12	--

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	35.7	35.6	30.2	-15.4
Three risk factor births (%)	8.1	8.3	8.2	+1.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		11.2	8.4	--
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	148.0	138.0	150.2	--
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	50.1	42.0	31.8	--
Committed Youth (average daily population)			1,112.2	--

* Fewer than 3 events

** CHP+ refers to Child Health Plan Plus

Because AFDC ended in June 1997, the AFDC rate reported in the 1998 column is the rate for 1997.

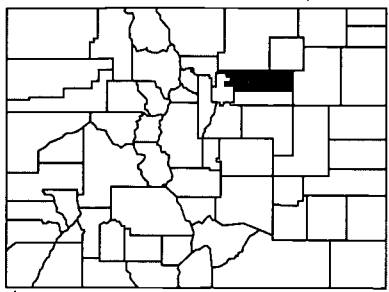
Because TANF began in July 1997, the TANF rate reported in the 1994 column is the rate for 1997.

Teen suicide rate - average 1992-1996 and 1994-1998.

The percent change represents the difference between the rates for 1991 and 1998 but does not reflect rates for the intervening years.



Adams County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	329,734
1999 population under 5	25,623
1999 population under 18	93,772
1998 # of live births	5,428

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$34,618
Median income of married couple family	\$38,385
Median income of female headed family	\$18,297
# of children living in poverty	10,628
% of children living in poverty	14.1%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	101.5	103.8	64.3 (49 of 63) ('97)	--	53.4 ('97)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		47.6 ('97)	30.2 (40 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		24.5	29.4 (31 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	11.6	17.3	15.3 (47 of 63)	+31.9	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	30.3	32.3	29.1 (42 of 60)	-4.0	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	75.3	77.1	80.2 (33 of 61)	+6.5	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	8.5	9.6	9.1 (37 of 51)	+7.1	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			339	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			6,585	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			5,839	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			2,295	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	8.3	7.1	8.7	+4.8	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	88.7	73.4	73.2	-17.5	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)		651	590	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)		4,980	5,118	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)		41.8	39.8	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)			101	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)			113	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community			no	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	51.2	50.6	40.4 (29 of 42)	-21.1	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	10.9	11.6	9.2 (30 of 51)	-15.6	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		12.0	7.2	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	389.9	338.0	306.1	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	179.3	158.0	69.0	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			86.4	--	1,112.2

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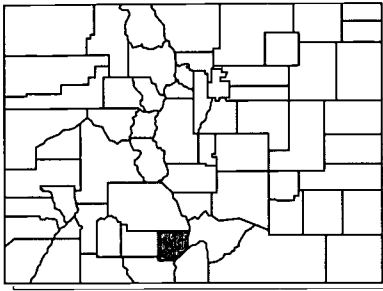
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Alamosa County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	16,310
1999 population under 5	1,256
1999 population under 18	4,696
1998 # of live births	218

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$23,114
Median income of married couple family	\$27,232
Median income of female headed family	\$9,229
# of children living in poverty	1,219
% of children living in poverty	30.5%

FAMILIES IN NEED	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	157.6	140.0	104.0 (54 of 63) ('97)	--	53.4 ('97)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		81.6 ('97)	59.3 (54 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		44.9	53.0 (55 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	7.1	10.3	15.9 (48 of 63)	+123.9	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	21.4	19.2	23.9 (31 of 60)	+11.7	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	79.3	88.2	83.4 (22 of 61)	+5.2	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	11.3	8.9	8.3 (24 of 51)	-26.5	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			9	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			314	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			393	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			205	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	*	*	*	--	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	73.5	64.7	64.7	-12.0	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)	23	12	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)	229	214	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)	98.3	89.7	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)	1	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)	9	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community	no	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	52.3	36.4	31.4 (23 of 42)	-40.0	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	7.0	8.3	7.3 (27 of 51)	+4.3	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		*	*	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	154.8	155.0	142.4	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	23.9	33.0	43.1	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			8.4	--	1,112.2

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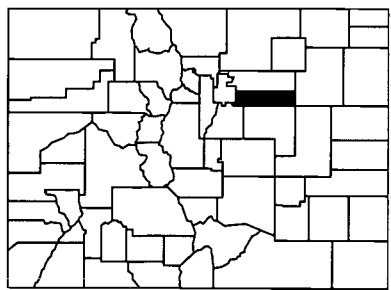
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Arapahoe County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	479,705
1999 population under 5	31,643
1999 population under 18	122,262
1998 # of live births	6,595

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$44,874
Median income of married couple family	\$49,760
Median income of female headed family	\$23,830
# of children living in poverty	7,849
% of children living in poverty	7.5%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	45.0	44.6	36.0 (36 of 63)('97)	--	53.4 ('97)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		29.1('97)	19.3 (31 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		13.1	18.8 (18 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	5.4	9.0	11.8 (35 of 63)	+118.5	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	18.6	21.3	22.7 (26 of 60)	+22.0	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	83.3	86.5	87.8 (11 of 61)	+5.4	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	7.7	9.0	9.2 (38 of 51)	+19.5	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			402	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			9,016	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			6,544	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			1,482	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	8.1	7.2	7.7	-4.9	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	68.2	67.7	68.7	+0.7	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)		627	527	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)		4,245	3,920	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)		53.3	57.7	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)			151	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)			157	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community			yes	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	22.9	23.1	20.8 (13 of 42)	-9.2	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	5.0	5.2	5.6 (16 of 51)	+12.0	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		14.0	10.4	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	46.7	22.0	39.5	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	10.2	4.0	10.9	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			98.6	--	1,112.2

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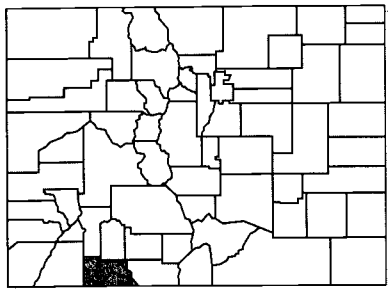
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Archuleta County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	9,605
1999 population under 5	575
1999 population under 18	2,513
1998 # of live births	83

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$27,359
Median income of married couple family	\$29,422
Median income of female headed family	\$10,481
# of children living in poverty	360
% of children living in poverty	23.0%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	83.1	54.7	23.8 (28 of 63)	--	53.4 ('97)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		21.1 ('97)	14.7 (28 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		28.7	34.8 (36 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	10.6	14.9	4.1 (6 of 63)	-61.3	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	23.6	28.8	30.1 (44 of 60)	+27.5	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	66.7	78.0	61.4 (58 of 61)	-7.9	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	11.1	5.1	8.4 (25 of 51)	-24.3	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			9	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			155	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			190	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			122	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	*	*	*	--	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	*	*	*	--	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)	27	6	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)	65	40	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)	85.9	100.0	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)	4	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)	11	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community	no	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	34.5	29.0	29.3 (20 of 42)	-15.1	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	8.3	14.0	10.8 (35 of 51)	+30.1	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		*	*	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	14.5	48.0	91.8	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	0.0	0.0	0.0	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			2.5	--	1,112.2

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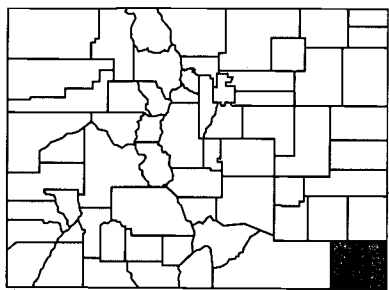
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Baca County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	4,605
1999 population under 5	252
1999 population under 18	1,092
1998 # of live births	47

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$23,054
Median income of married couple family	\$24,286
Median income of female headed family	\$12,625
# of children living in poverty	242
% of children living in poverty	21.1%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	69.8	55.9	38.5 (38 of 63)('97)	--	53.4 ('97)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		35.9('97)	30.6 (41 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		31.8	42.4 (44 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	10.0	7.4	28.3 (63 of 63)	+183.0	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	10.9	13.2	6.4 (2 of 60)	-41.3	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	81.4	71.2	78.7 (38 of 61)	-3.3	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	*	*	*	--	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			0	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			81	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			50	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			77	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	*	*	*	--	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	*	*	*	--	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)		3	5	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)		34	53	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)		85.3	98.1	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)			3	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)			2	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community			no	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	*	33.8	*	--	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	4.4	5.7	*	--	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		*	*	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	2.1	2.0	3.6	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	20.7	0.0	0.0	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			0	--	1,112.2

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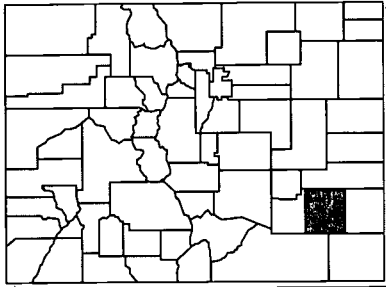
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Teen suicide rate - average 1992-1996 and 1994-1998.

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Bent County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	5,934
1999 population under 5	355
1999 population under 18	1,396
1998 # of live births	71

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$ 22,325
Median income of married couple family	\$24,082
Median income of female headed family	\$11,771
# of children living in poverty	350
% of children living in poverty	25.8%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	164.7	146.3	73.1 (50 of 63) ('97)	--	53.4 ('97)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		66.8 ('97)	41.7 (49 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		45.5	57.6 (57 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	9.3	13.9	17.9 (53 of 63)	+92.5	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	26.1	29.9	40.8 (57 of 60)	+56.3	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	73.3	71.6	81.7 (26 of 61)	+11.5	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	8.7	10.4	4.2 (1 of 51)	-51.7	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			4	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			110	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			93	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			32	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	*	*	*	--	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	*	*	*	--	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)	7	13		--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)		86	141	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)		86.1	85.1	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)		1		--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)			1	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community			no	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	30.4	26.1	46.9 (34 of 42)	+54.3	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	17.4	7.5	18.3 (50 of 51)	+5.2	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		*	*	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	14.9	30.0	9.1	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	49.5	0.0	0.0	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			1	--	1,112.2

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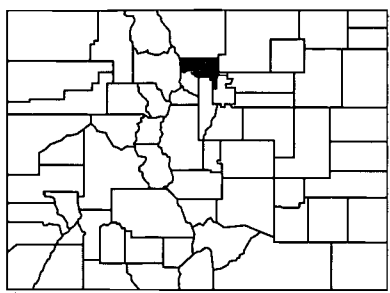
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Boulder County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	276,187
1999 population under 5	16,666
1999 population under 18	64,602
1998 # of live births	3,460

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$43,782
Median income of married couple family	\$48,039
Median income of female headed family	\$21,430
# of children living in poverty	4,590
% of children living in poverty	9.1%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	41.9	34.4	22.1 (23 of 63)(⁹⁷)	--	53.4 (⁹⁷)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		17.7(⁹⁷)	14.0 (24 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		12.2	14.6 (11 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	7.7	9.7	8.0 (20 of 63)	+3.9	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	16.4	17.5	18.2 (15 of 60)	+11.0	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	77.7	84.0	85.2 (18 of 61)	+9.7	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	6.4	7.0	7.2 (12 of 51)	+12.5	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			208	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			4,381	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			3,922	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			728	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	5.4	5.2	3.5	-35.2	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	69.9	54.4	29.5	-57.8	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)		554	513	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)		3,206	3,418	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)		54.7	44.6	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)		61		--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)			70	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community			no	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	24.8	20.3	16.0 (5 of 42)	-35.5	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	4.5	5.3	5.2 (9 of 51)	+15.6	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		7.5	*	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	131.7	170.0	140.0	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	31.0	26.0	27.0	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			37.5	--	1,112.2

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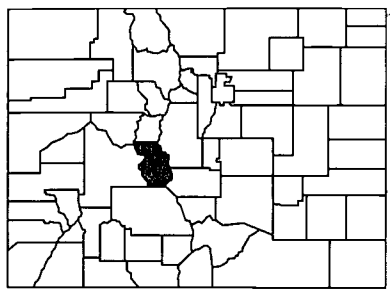
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Chaffee County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	17,045
1999 population under 5	792
1999 population under 18	3,613
1998 # of live births	141

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$25,439
Median income of married couple family	\$27,130
Median income of female headed family	\$10,862
# of children living in poverty	518
% of children living in poverty	18.3%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	54.0	65.7	33.0 (32 of 63)(⁹⁷)	--	53.4 (⁹⁷)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		30.1(⁹⁷)	21.9 (37 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		22.9	25.5 (27 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	10.5	10.0	9.0 (24 of 63)	-14.3	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	10.0	18.5	24.1 (32 of 60)	+141.0	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	83.3	75.8	87.2 (13 of 61)	+4.7	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	9.2	12.9	6.4 (8 of 51)	-30.4	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			10	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			243	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			252	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			170	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	*	*	*	--	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	*	94.0	*	--	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)	27	41	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)	205	140	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)	71.7	77.1	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)	4	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)	16	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community	no	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	43.0	28.4	19.9 (11 of 42)	-53.7	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	6.7	6.5	7.1 (25 of 51)	+6.0	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		43.9	*	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	78.0	72.0	106.7	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	14.2	7.0	50.6	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			2.2	--	1,112.2

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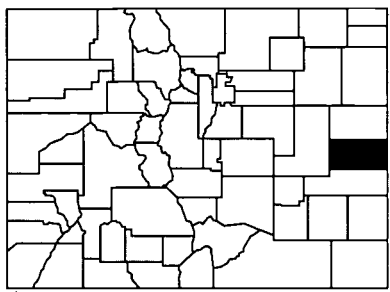
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Cheyenne County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	2,404
1999 population under 5	136
1999 population under 18	700
1998 # of live births	28

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$30,053
Median income of married couple family	\$30,788
Median income of female headed family	\$18,125
# of children living in poverty	101
% of children living in poverty	13.4%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	27.9	36.6	21.0 (21 of 63)('97)	--	53.4 ('97)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		11.0('97)	6.8 (15 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		18.6	22.9 (24 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	7.2	16.6	9.8 (28 of 63)	+36.1	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	8.9	13.6	25.0 (37 of 60)	+180.9	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	80.0	59.1	78.6 (40 of 61)	-1.8	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	6.7	*	*	--	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			1	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			54	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			34	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			41	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	*	*	*	--	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	*	*	*	--	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)	6	1	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)	25	14	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)	72.0	92.9	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)	2	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)	0	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community	no	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	82.3	*	*	--	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	*	*	*	--	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		*	*	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	6.3	9.0	5.3	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	0.0	0.0	0.0	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			0.0	--	1,112.2

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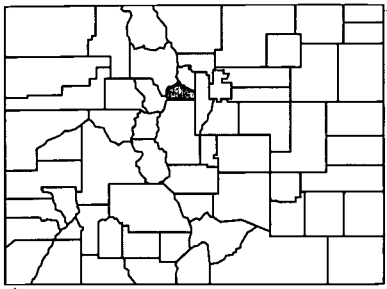
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Clear Creek County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	9,238
1999 population under 5	545
1999 population under 18	2,341
1998 # of live births	108

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$41,111
Median income of married couple family	\$43,796
Median income of female headed family	\$14,766
# of children living in poverty	214
% of children living in poverty	11.1%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	32.0	13.3	14.7 (14 of 63)('97)	--	53.4 ('97)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		10.5('97)	6.9 (16 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		11.8	21.3 (22 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	32.0	28.5	25.9 (61 of 63)	-19.1	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	20.4	16.9	19.4 (17 of 60)	-4.9	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	86.3	90.6	86.0 (16 of 61)	-0.3	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	12.2	13.6	7.4 (15 of 51)	-39.3	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			2	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			165	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			147	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			47	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	*	25.4	*	--	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	206.4	180.2	*	--	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)	5	2	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)	277	140	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)	100.0	100.0	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)	3	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)	5	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community	no	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	*	*	20.2 (12 of 42)	--	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	4.1	2.6	6.5 (20 of 51)	+58.5	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		*	*	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	39.5	107.0	67.1	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	23.9	98.0	0.0	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			0.4	--	1,112.2

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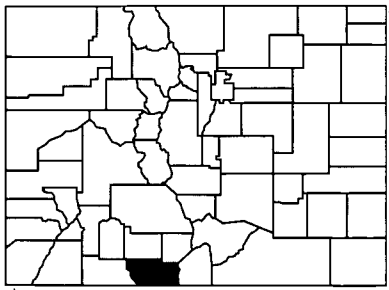
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Conejos County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	7,967
1999 population under 5	639
1999 population under 18	2,456
1998 # of live births	127

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$17,155
Median income of married couple family	\$19,073
Median income of female headed family	\$9,473
# of children living in poverty	1,071
% of children living in poverty	41.4%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	142.5	132.6	125.3 (60 of 63)(97)	--	53.4 (97)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		114.6(97)	93.4 (60 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		51.1	63.8 (61 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	5.3	10.4	10.9 (29 of 63)	+105.7	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	22.7	25.9	23.6 (30 of 60)	+4.0	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	72.9	85.2	79.5 (36 of 61)	+9.1	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	7.2	6.9	7.1 (10 of 51)	-1.4	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			5	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			196	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			262	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			281	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	*	25.9	*	--	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	*	153.5	*	--	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)		10	3	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)		160	91	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)		100.0	100.0	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)			2	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)			2	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community			no	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	20.4	51.8	52.4 (37 of 42)	+156.9	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	5.2	9.6	10.2 (33 of 51)	+96.2	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		*	*	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	31.0		0.0	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	0.0		0.0	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			2.2	--	1,112.2

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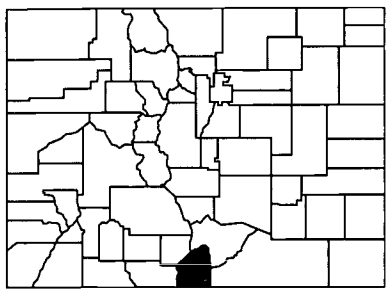
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Costilla County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	3,586
1999 population under 5	239
1999 population under 18	963
1998 # of live births	55

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$15,127
Median income of married couple family	\$16,474
Median income of female headed family	\$7,510
# of children living in poverty	456
% of children living in poverty	50.2%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	203.3	189.0	168.0 (62 of 63)('97)	--	53.4 ('97)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		151.3('97)	115.3 (62 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		63.6	82.7 (63 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	5.8	12.0	22.7 (57 of 63)	+291.4	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	17.9	38.3	32.7 (47 of 60)	+82.7	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	71.1	78.7	75.9 (43 of 61)	+6.8	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	5.1	21.3	18.2 (50 of 51)	+256.9	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			2	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			71	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			127	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			83	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	*	*	*	--	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	*	*	*	--	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)		2	0	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)		159	64	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)		100.0	76.6	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)			0	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)			0	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community			no	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	*	74.1	44.0 (31 of 42)	--	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	*	11.9	10.9 (36 of 51)	--	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		*	*	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	36.9	13.0	0.0	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	0.0	0.0		--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			0.4	--	1,112.2

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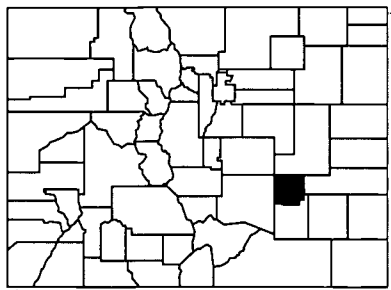
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Crowley County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	4,588
1999 population under 5	255
1999 population under 18	1,025
1998 # of live births	53

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$18,345
Median income of married couple family	\$19,614
Median income of female headed family	\$7,706
# of children living in poverty	263
% of children living in poverty	32.4%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	210.5	253.9	185.7 (63 of 63)('97)	--	53.4 ('97)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		155.9('97)	120.1 (63 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		51.3	62.8 (60 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	5.9	13.4	12.7 (38 of 63)	+115.3	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	34.1	23.7	28.3 (40 of 60)	-17.0	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	68.3	64.9	69.2 (53 of 61)	+1.3	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	9.8	10.5	*	--	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			3	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			66	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			75	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			80	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	*	*	*	--	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	*	*	*	--	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)		2	14	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)		25	68	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)		96.0	98.5	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)			1	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)			3	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community			no	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	80.7	45.7	*	--	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	19.5	*	9.4 (31 of 51)	-51.8	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		*	*	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	5.6	7.0	16.2	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	0.0	0.0	20.3	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			0.8	--	1,112.2

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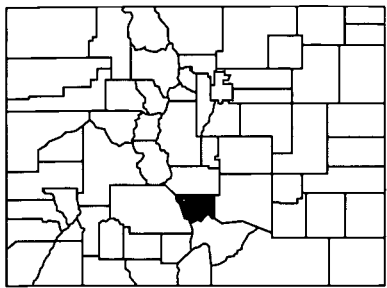
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Custer County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	3,739
1999 population under 5	233
1999 population under 18	914
1998 # of live births	38

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$23,919
Median income of married couple family	\$24,797
Median income of female headed family	\$11,000
# of children living in poverty	117
% of children living in poverty	24.4%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	67.7	71.6	58.1 (47 of 63)('97)	--	53.4 ('97)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		52.2('97)	34.3 (44 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		28.3	28.8 (30 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	7.6	5.2	5.8 (13 of 63)	-23.7	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	8.3	17.5	13.2 (6 of 60)	+59.0	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	62.5	87.2	89.5 (7 of 61)	+43.2	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	4.2	12.5	10.5 (44 of 51)	+150.0	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			1	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			54	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			57	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			50	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	*	*	*	--	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	*	*	*	--	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)	4	0	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)	32	10	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)	81.3	40.0	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)	1	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)	2	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community	no	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	*	*	46.2 (32 of 42)	--	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	*	*	10.5 (34 of 51)	--	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)	*	*	--	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	26.6	13.0	44.8	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	0.0	0.0	0.0	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			0.5	--	1,112.2

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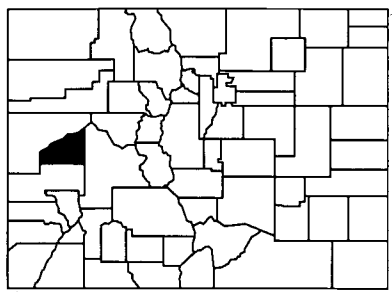
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Delta County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	27,592
1999 population under 5	1,699
1999 population under 18	6,646
1998 # of live births	318

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$22,197
Median income of married couple family	\$23,661
Median income of female headed family	\$10,000
# of children living in poverty	1,206
% of children living in poverty	24.1%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	105.2	89.6	53.3 (45 of 63)(97)	--	53.4 (97)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		44.5(97)	36.5 (46 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		31.3	43.3 (46 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	25.3	15.0	8.2 (22 of 63)	-67.6	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	21.5	31.7	25.2 (38 of 60)	+17.2	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	53.9	68.7	77.9 (41 of 61)	+44.5	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	7.7	7.7	5.0 (2 of 51)	-35.1	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			28	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			448	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			605	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			317	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	15.4	*	*	--	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	114.1	84.4	61.9	-45.7	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)		31	23	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)		285	280	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)		62.1	42.1	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)			7	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)			10	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community			no	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	25.7	71.5	28.7 (19 of 42)	+11.7	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	8.5	15.1	9.7 (32 of 51)	+14.1	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		18.7	*	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	39.5	24.0	38.9	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	0.0	3.0	3.3	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			7.9	--	1,112.2

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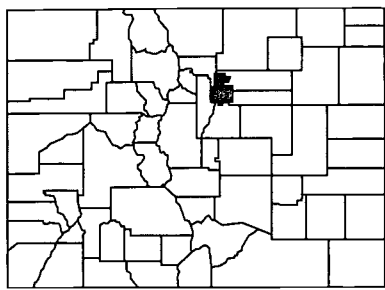
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Denver County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	509,171
1999 population under 5	44,443
1999 population under 18	139,758
1998 # of live births	9,833

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$32,038
Median income of married couple family	\$38,047
Median income of female headed family	\$16,365
# of children living in poverty	27,106
% of children living in poverty	27.2%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	195.3	197.4	115.6 (57 of 63)(⁹⁷)	--	53.4 (⁹⁷)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		100.6(⁹⁷)	72.8 (55 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		52.0	62.0 (59 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	16.9	26.7	25.0 (59 of 63)	+47.9	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	38.4	38.7	36.0 (54 of 60)	-6.3	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	74.5	72.1	76.7 (42 of 61)	+3.0	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	10.3	10.3	9.7 (41 of 51)	-5.8	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			577	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			8,210	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+ ^{**} (# as of Dec. 1999)			9,788	--	68,843
CHP+ ^{**} Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			3,703	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	10.8	8.7	8.5	-21.3	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	114.4	100.9	85.6	-25.2	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)	754	583	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)	9,238	7,359	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)	76.2	79.1	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)	63	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)	103	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community	yes	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	65.5	54.5	63.7 (39 of 42)	-2.7	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	14.9	15.2	13.0 (45 of 51)	-12.8	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		11.2	6.5	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	263.3	171.0	271.0	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	33.0	13.0	45.7	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			239.1	--	1,112.2

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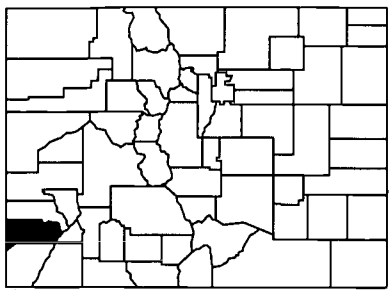
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Dolores County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	1,798
1999 population under 5	116
1999 population under 18	442
1998 # of live births	17

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$24,671
Median income of married couple family	\$25,150
Median income of female headed family	\$9,293
# of children living in poverty	51
% of children living in poverty	12.5%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	32.9	37.9	19.2 (19 of 63) ('97)	--	53.4 ('97)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		31.2 ('97)	21.5 (36 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		16.6	30.2 (33 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	0.0	9.9	11.4 (31 of 63)	--	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	21.4	30.8	23.5 (29 of 60)	+9.8	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	61.5	84.6	58.8 (59 of 61)	-4.4	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	*	*	*	--	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			2	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			32	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			51	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			19	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	*	*	*	--	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	*	*	*	--	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)	1	0	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)	41	12	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)	53.7	83.3	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)	0	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)	0	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community	no	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	*	*	*	--	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	21.4	*	*	--	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		*	*	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	0.0	24.0	0.0	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	0.0	0.0	0.0	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			0.7	--	1,112.2

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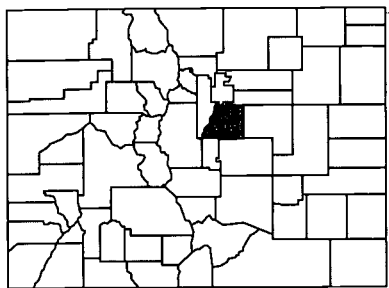
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Douglas County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	150,304
1999 population under 5	13,077
1999 population under 18	44,011
1998 # of live births	2,743

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$54,244
Median income of married couple family	\$56,190
Median income of female headed family	\$24,957
# of children living in poverty	673
% of children living in poverty	3.6%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	9.3	101.1	4.9 (5 of 63)(97)	--	53.4 (97)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		4.4(97)	2.5 (5 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		2.1	2.4 (3 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	2.4	2.2	1.8 (2 of 63)	-25.0	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	5.1	4.9	4.8 (1 of 60)	-5.9	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	94.6	95.7	97.2 (1 of 61)	+2.7	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	6.6	7.1	8.7 (29 of 51)	+31.8	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			151	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			2,280	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			1,703	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			148	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	5.4	2.4	4.0	-25.9	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	58.9	39.8	46.2	-21.6	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)		39	30	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)		431	459	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)		72.4	66.2	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)			75	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)			71	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community			no	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	5.1	12.1	6.9 (1 of 42)	+35.3	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	0.8	1.1	1.0 (1 of 51)	+25.0	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		15.7	*	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	100.4	107.0	66.5	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	10.3	10.0	6.5	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			14.5	--	1,112.2

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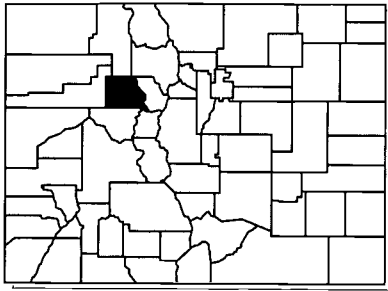
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Eagle County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	34,984
1999 population under 5	2,902
1999 population under 18	10,043
1998 # of live births	623

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$41,183
Median income of married couple family	\$44,043
Median income of female headed family	\$20,641
# of children living in poverty	437
% of children living in poverty	8.0%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	10.1	8.6	4.2 (3 of 63) ('97)	--	53.4 ('97)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		3.5 ('97)	1.5 (3 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		13.6	18.8 (18 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	7.7	6.1	3.4 (4 of 63)	-55.8	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	13.5	13.2	15.4 (10 of 60)	+14.1	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	75.8	74.3	75.6 (44 of 61)	-0.3	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	8.4	12.7	8.7 (29 of 51)	+3.6	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			44	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			570	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			468	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			34	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	*	8.8	*	--	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	33.6	98.7	*	--	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)	22	20	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)	267	259	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)	98.9	79.5	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)	14	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)	13	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community	no	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	39.3	28.4	37.8 (26 of 42)	-3.8	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	4.1	5.4	6.7 (22 of 51)	+63.4	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		*	*	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	70.1	48.0	70.2	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	0.0	4.0	12.7	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			3.5	--	1,112.2

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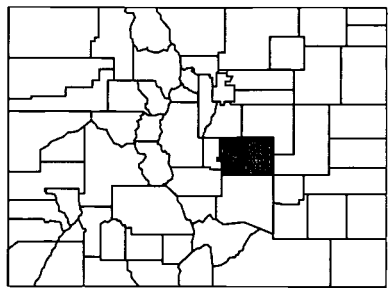
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El Paso County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	499,997
1999 population under 5	38,296
1999 population under 18	135,236
1998 # of live births	7,842

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$33,932
Median income of married couple family	\$37,438
Median income of female headed family	\$15,499
# of children living in poverty	15,030
% of children living in poverty	14.1%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	74.6	76.3	49.5 (42 of 63)('97)	--	53.4 ('97)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		42.3('97)	36.8 (47 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		20.2	24.7 (26 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	7.4	12.7	13.1 (41 of 63)	+77.0	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	19.9	20.8	25.6 (39 of 60)	+28.6	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	81.3	83.4	82.4 (25 of 61)	+1.4	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	9.4	8.6	9.0 (33 of 51)	-4.3	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			402	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			9,586	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			9,737	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			1,508	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	9.6	7.1	8.4	-12.5	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	102.9	69.7	74.6	-27.5	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)		757	605	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)		7,344	7,358	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)		43.3	49.7	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)			195	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)			222	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community			yes	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	33.4	32.5	31.1 (22 of 42)	-6.9	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	6.1	5.4	6.5 (20 of 51)	+6.6	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		11.8	8.8	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	147.8	195.0	209.7	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	41.2	77.0	46.3	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			147.7	--	1,112.2

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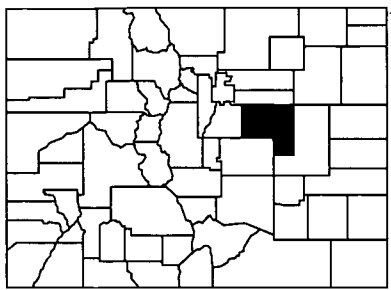
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Elbert County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	20,203
1999 population under 5	1,328
1999 population under 18	5,299
1998 # of live births	220

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$38,193
Median income of married couple family	\$39,784
Median income of female headed family	\$17,361
# of children living in poverty	197
% of children living in poverty	6.7%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	24.5	27.6	13.8 (13 of 63)(97)	--	53.4 (97)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		12.6(97)	9.2 (19 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		9.3	9.2 (4 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	0.0	5.2	4.2 (7 of 63)	--	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	8.0	14.0	11.8 (3 of 60)	+47.5	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	85.3	88.2	91.4 (3 of 61)	+7.2	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	9.5	9.4	7.3 (13 of 51)	-23.2	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			8	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			334	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			352	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			43	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	*	*	*	--	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	96.2	*	100.2	+4.2	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)		15	6	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)		79	127	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)		79.8	70.9	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)			12	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)			9	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community			no	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	*	20.9	11.9 (3 of 42)	--	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	*	2.9	3.2 (4 of 51)	--	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		*	*	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	16.1	37.0	23.3	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	6.9	0.0	0.0	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			2.8	--	1,112.2

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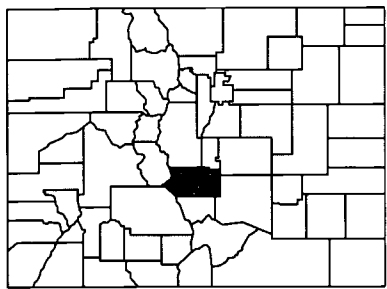
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Fremont County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	43,390
1999 population under 5	2,348
1999 population under 18	9,224
1998 # of live births	438

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$24,350
Median income of married couple family	\$26,684
Median income of female headed family	\$12,787
# of children living in poverty	1,356
% of children living in poverty	18.9%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	127.4	121.5	82.8 (52 of 63)(⁹⁷)	--	53.4 (⁹⁷)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		73.0(⁹⁷)	57.1 (53 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		26.1	32.3 (34 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	21.3	18.1	24.2 (58 of 63)	+13.6	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	28.5	33.8	35.6 (53 of 60)	+24.9	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	79.8	79.3	83.6 (20 of 61)	+4.8	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	9.3	9.6	9.4 (39 of 51)	+1.1	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			45	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			632	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			705	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			404	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	9.0	*	*	--	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	111.2	80.4	43.3	-61.1	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)		72	60	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)		553	407	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)		79.8	79.1	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)			6	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)			19	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community			yes	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	27.4	49.8	35.8 (25 of 42)	+30.7	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	9.0	13.2	11.2 (37 of 51)	+24.4	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		25.4	*	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	132.3	136.0	150.8	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	64.0	13.0	27.8	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			13.3	--	1,112.2

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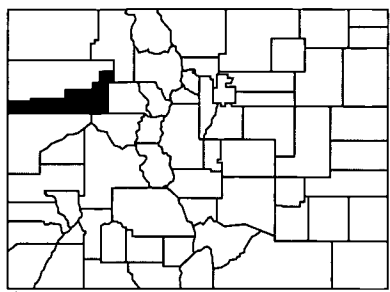
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Garfield County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	40,491
1999 population under 5	3,075
1999 population under 18	11,311
1998 # of live births	624

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$32,377
Median income of married couple family	\$35,312
Median income of female headed family	\$16,196
# of children living in poverty	853
% of children living in poverty	10.5%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	42.7	46.5	23.1 (26 of 63) ('97)	--	53.4 ('97)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		17.5 ('97)	12.6 (22 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		14.5	20.3 (20 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	10.3	14.5	13.6 (44 of 63)	+32.0	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	15.4	17.7	23.1 (28 of 60)	+50.0	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	70.6	73.8	72.0 (46 of 61)	+2.0	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	5.0	6.7	9.0 (33 of 51)	+80.0	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			53	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			729	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			766	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			280	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	6.3	12.5	4.8	-23.8	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	34.6	71.5	52.6	+52.0	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)	68	34	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)	317	479	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)	83.0	57.6	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)	14	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)	27	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community	no	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	21.6	29.9	27.4 (17 of 42)	+26.9	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	4.6	6.4	7.2 (26 of 51)	+56.5	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		16.6	*	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	56.4	36.0	96.8	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	5.7	2.0	15.6	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			19.7	--	1,112.2

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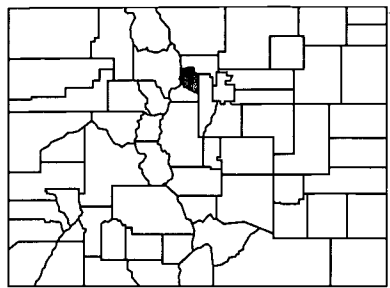
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Gilpin County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	4,239
1999 population under 5	248
1999 population under 18	1,003
1998 # of live births	44

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$36,218
Median income of married couple family	\$39,840
Median income of female headed family	\$16,346
# of children living in poverty	82
% of children living in poverty	11.7%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	29.3	19.9	14.8 (15 of 63)(⁹⁷)	--	53.4 (⁹⁷)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		11.2(⁹⁷)	8.5 (18 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		8.6	13.8 (9 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	16.3	29.3	13.1 (41 of 63)	-19.6	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	9.7	32.6	13.6 (7 of 60)	+40.2	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	75.9	80.5	86.4 (15 of 61)	+13.8	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	12.9	9.3	*	--	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			0	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			63	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			53	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			4	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	*	*	*	--	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	*	*	*	--	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)	0	3	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)	96	24	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)	100.0	100.0	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)	1	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)	3	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community	no	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	*	*	*	--	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	*	7.3	*	--	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		*	*	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	35.6	34.0	23.2	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	0.0	0.0	0.0	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			0	--	1,112.2

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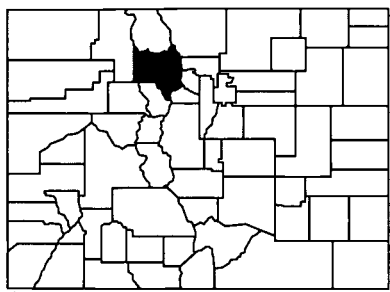
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Grand County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	10,500
1999 population under 5	656
1999 population under 18	2,499
1998 # of live births	136

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$34,072
Median income of married couple family	\$35,581
Median income of female headed family	\$18,309
# of children living in poverty	147
% of children living in poverty	7.4%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	9.6	15.5	5.6 (6 of 63)(97)	--	53.4 (97)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		5.0(97)	4.6 (8 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		11.3	15.1 (15 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	8.4	16.1	5.7 (12 of 63)	-32.1	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	12.8	16.4	21.3 (21 of 60)	+66.4	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	82.8	82.6	89.7 (6 of 61)	+8.3	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	9.6	11.5	11.8 (46 of 51)	+22.9	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			14	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			174	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			133	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			83	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	*	*	*	--	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	*	*	*	--	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)	9	3	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)	212	157	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)	75.5	43.3	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)	5	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)	6	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community	no	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	*	23.1	*	--	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	4.3	4.2	2.9 (3 of 51)	-32.6	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		*	*	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	25.8	24.0	11.2	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	0.0	21.0	0.0	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			1.4	--	1,112.2

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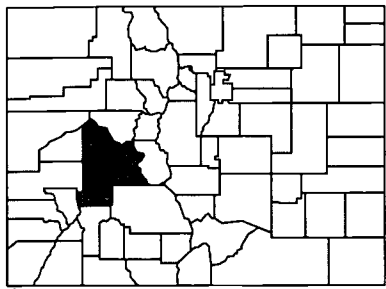
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Gunnison County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	12,841
1999 population under 5	690
1999 population under 18	3,246
1998 # of live births	134

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$29,533
Median income of married couple family	\$32,117
Median income of female headed family	\$13,657
# of children living in poverty	234
% of children living in poverty	11.7%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	23.9	24.0	13.7 (12 of 63) ('97)	--	53.4 ('97)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		10.9 ('97)	6.2 (14 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		6.6	10.3 (6 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	7.7	8.5	4.2 (7 of 63)	-45.5	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	9.6	13.5	17.9 (14 of 60)	+86.5	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	92.6	92.7	94.7 (2 of 61)	+2.3	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	6.4	4.5	8.2 (22 of 51)	+28.1	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			3	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			188	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			260	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			59	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	*	*	*	--	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	*	*	*	--	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)	18	13	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)	89	50	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)	100.0	100.0	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)	11	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)	8	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community	no	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	*	23.5	*	--	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	2.4	4.5	3.7 (5 of 51)	+54.2	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		*	*	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	85.5	20.0	35.6	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	0.0	0.0	0.0	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			1.4	--	1,112.2

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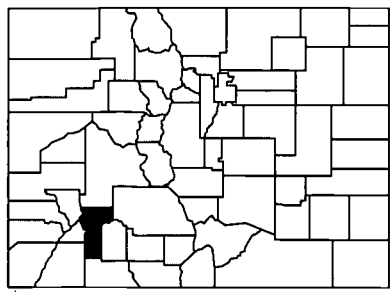
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Hinsdale County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	766
1999 population under 5	40
1999 population under 18	161
1998 # of live births	9

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$30,125
Median income of married couple family	\$30,750
Median income of female headed family	\$5,000
# of children living in poverty	12
% of children living in poverty	13.8%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	34.5	22.0	13.2 (11 of 63)('97)	--	53.4 ('97)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		10.5('97)	2.7 (6 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		7.9	0.0 (1 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	25.3	8.5	4.2 (7 of 63)	-83.4	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	*	*	*	--	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	*	83.3	*	--	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	*	*	*	--	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			0	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			8	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			6	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			1	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	*	*	*	--	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	*	*	*	--	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)		0	0	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)		4	1	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)		100.0	100.0	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)			0	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)			0	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community			no	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	*	*	*	--	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	*	*	*	--	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		*	*	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	0.0	0.0	40.5	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	0.0	0.0	0.0	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			0	--	1,112.2

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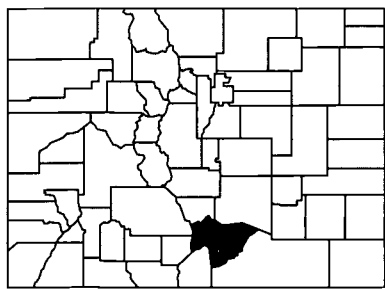
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Huerfano County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	8,028
1999 population under 5	385
1999 population under 18	1,815
1998 # of live births	67

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$18,955
Median income of married couple family	\$20,427
Median income of female headed family	\$9,537
# of children living in poverty	549
% of children living in poverty	35.9%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	200.8	175.3	119.8 (58 of 63)('97)	--	53.4 ('97)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		116.1('97)	95.9 (61 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		48.3	52.5 (54 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	11.8	28.3	27.4 (62 of 63)	+132.2	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	34.0	37.0	40.3 (56 of 60)	+18.5	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	70.0	81.1	66.7 (55 of 61)	-4.7	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	*	11.1	9.0 (33 of 51)	--	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			0	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			119	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			168	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			76	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	*	*	*	--	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	*	*	*	--	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)	8	16	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)	64	178	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)	89.1	65.2	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)	1	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)	2	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community	no	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	42.8	32.8	*	--	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	10.0	7.4	11.9 (39 of 51)	+19.0	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		*	*	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	112.0	87.0	69.8	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	0.0	50.0	11.1	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			2.8	--	1,112.2

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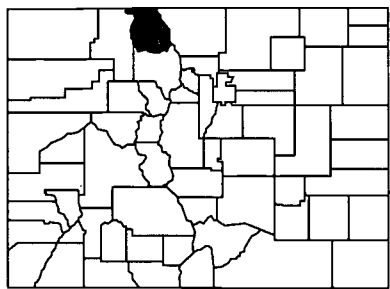
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Jackson County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	1,824
1999 population under 5	93
1999 population under 18	434
1998 # of live births	18

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$23,239
Median income of married couple family	\$24,716
Median income of female headed family	\$8,080
# of children living in poverty	42
% of children living in poverty	10.1%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	21.6	36.5	36.9 (37 of 63)('97)	--	53.4 ('97)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		23.3('97)	19.8 (34 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		29.8	40.2 (43 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	12.0	5.0	11.7 (34 of 63)	-2.5	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	*	15.0	*	--	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	56.5	60.0	83.3 (23 of 61)	+47.4	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	13.0	*	*	--	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			1	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			29	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			37	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			10	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	*	*	*	--	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	*	*	*	--	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)	0	5	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)	31	45	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)	90.3	100.0	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)	0	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)	0	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community	no	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	*	*	*	--	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	*	*	*	--	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		*	*	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	0.0		9.5	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	0.0		0.0	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			1	--	1,112.2

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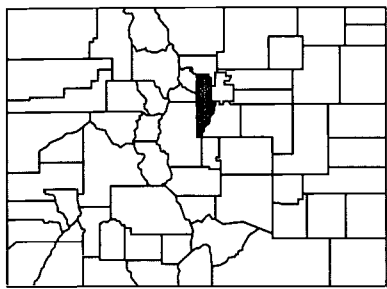
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Jefferson County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	515,779
1999 population under 5	32,355
1999 population under 18	126,563
1998 # of live births	6,382

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$44,679
Median income of married couple family	\$48,294
Median income of female headed family	\$24,167
# of children living in poverty	8,103
% of children living in poverty	7.1%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	35.0	33.0	23.7 (27 of 63)('97)	--	53.4 ('97)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		20.8('97)	14.6 (25 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		9.7	14.8 (12 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	5.2	7.3	7.0 (16 of 63)	+34.6	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	15.6	15.9	18.3 (16 of 60)	+17.3	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	86.9	89.4	90.7 (4 of 61)	+4.4	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	7.1	7.5	8.2 (22 of 51)	+15.5	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			408	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			9,501	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			7,037	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			1,552	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	7.4	5.9	4.7	-36.5	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	64.0	59.0	48.8	-23.8	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)	563	639	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)	4,336	3,364	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)	65.7	61.9	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)	175	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)	192	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community	no	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	19.0	23.1	16.0 (5 of 42)	-15.8	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	4.3	4.6	5.5 (14 of 51)	+27.9	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		14.4	8.5	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	103.3	114.0	95.0	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	42.2	30.0	12.3	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			132.3	--	1,112.2

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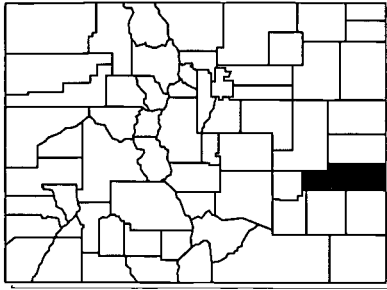
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Kiowa County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	1,798
1999 population under 5	98
1999 population under 18	431
1998 # of live births	17

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$26,779
Median income of married couple family	\$28,438
Median income of female headed family	\$13,750
# of children living in poverty	52
% of children living in poverty	10.7%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	29.1	12.7	32.3 (31 of 63)(⁹⁷)	--	53.4 (⁹⁷)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		32.7(⁹⁷)	19.5 (32 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		24.7	39.3 (40 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	9.9	8.5	9.2 (25 of 63)	-7.1	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	22.2	14.3	35.3 (52 of 60)	+59.0	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	50.0	66.7	52.9 (61 of 61)	+5.8	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	*	*	*	--	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			0	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			34	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			19	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			19	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	*	*	*	--	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	*	*	*	--	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)	3	0	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)	30	20	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)	100.0	100.0	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)	0	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)	3	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community	no	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	*	*	*	--	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	*	*	*	--	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		*	*	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	0.0	0.0	0.0	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	0.0	0.0	0.0	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			0	--	1,112.2

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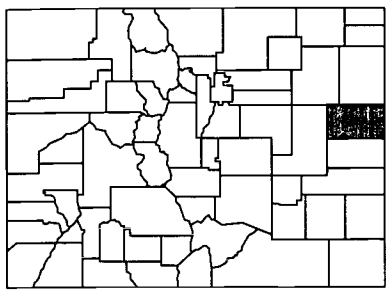
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Kit Carson County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	8,320
1999 population under 5	426
1999 population under 18	1,994
1998 # of live births	90

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$27,648
Median income of married couple family	\$29,163
Median income of female headed family	\$12,157
# of children living in poverty	373
% of children living in poverty	17.8%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	46.2	48.8	22.5 (24 of 63)(⁹⁷)	--	53.4 (⁹⁷)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		19.8(⁹⁷)	14.6 (25 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		24.7	34.2 (35 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	9.8	8.6	5.5 (11 of 63)	-43.9	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	8.7	8.1	17.8 (13 of 60)	+104.6	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	78.9	82.6	79.8 (35 of 61)	+1.1	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	5.8	*	5.6 (4 of 51)	-3.4	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			7	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			154	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			117	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			87	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	*	*	*	--	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	146.6	*	*	--	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)	11	2	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)	87	125	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)	100.0	99.2	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)	3	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)	8	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community	no	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	19.3	*	31.7 (24 of 42)	+64.2	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	3.8	*	6.7 (22 of 51)	+76.3	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		*	*	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	26.4	34.0	80.2	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	0.0	21.0	0.0	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			0	--	1,112.2

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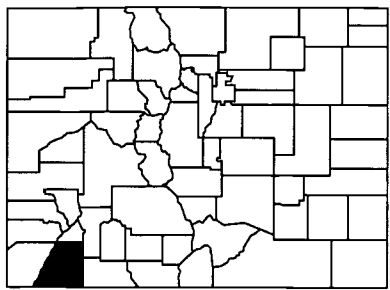
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La Plata County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	43,345
1999 population under 5	2,453
1999 population under 18	10,788
1998 # of live births	456

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$30,788
Median income of married couple family	\$33,998
Median income of female headed family	\$14,020
# of children living in poverty	1,350
% of children living in poverty	16.5%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	46.4	40.9	16.4 (16 of 63)(⁹⁷)	--	53.4 (⁹⁷)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		14.6(⁹⁷)	13.8 (23 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		19.7	24.4 (25 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	6.7	7.0	9.7 (27 of 63)	+44.8	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	23.8	22.6	21.9 (23 of 60)	-8.0	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	77.3	83.1	66.4 (56 of 61)	-14.1	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	8.7	7.8	8.6 (27 of 51)	-1.1	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			29	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			730	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			775	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			385	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	7.3	6.7	8.8	+20.5	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	82.6	50.3	84.6	+2.4	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)		52	74	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)		439	750	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)		55.6	35.7	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)			14	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)			18	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community			yes	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	35.3	20.1	17.3 (8 of 42)	-51.0	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	6.1	4.1	6.4 (18 of 51)	+4.9	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		9.9	*	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	118.1	109.0	73.4	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	5.5	29.0	11.4	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			12.9	--	1,112.2

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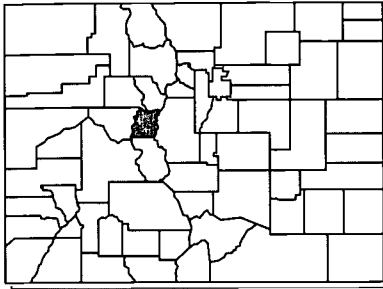
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Lake County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	9,000
1999 population under 5	643
1999 population under 18	2,551
1998 # of live births	129

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$28,950
Median income of married couple family	\$29,750
Median income of female headed family	\$20,156
# of children living in poverty	285
% of children living in poverty	16.4%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	17.7	15.3	12.8 (10 of 63) ('97)	--	53.4 ('97)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		8.6 ('97)	3.5 (7 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		21.0	45.3 (50 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	25.6	28.2	12.1 (37 of 63)	-52.7	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	22.8	26.8	31.0 (45 of 60)	+36.0	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	54.9	63.5	68.0 (54 of 61)	+23.9	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	15.8	13.4	20.2 (51 of 51)	+27.8	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			6	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			132	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			195	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			58	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	*	*	*	--	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	116.1	*	*	--	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)	7	12	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)	130	188	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)	100.0	73.4	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)		3	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)		3	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community		no	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	41.7	53.1	73.5 (40 of 42)	+76.3	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	7.5	6.2	13.2 (46 of 51)	+76.0	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		*	*	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	8.4	13.0	34.3	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	0.0	0.0	0.0	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			0.9	--	1,112.2

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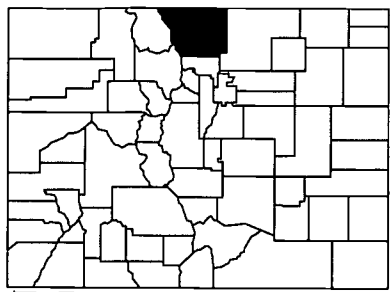
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Larimer County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	237,792
1999 population under 5	14,766
1999 population under 18	57,911
1998 # of live births	2,907

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$36,931
Median income of married couple family	\$40,300
Median income of female headed family	\$17,606
# of children living in poverty	4,819
% of children living in poverty	10.4%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	56.1	55.9	33.9 (35 of 63)('97)	-	53.4 ('97)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		25.3('97)	19.5 (32 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		15.1	18.7 (17 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	6.9	10.1	9.6 (26 of 63)	+39.1	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	19.2	18.9	20.4 (20 of 60)	+6.3	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	75.5	76.4	81.1 (29 of 61)	+7.4	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	7.5	7.1	7.9 (20 of 51)	+5.3	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			202	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			4,119	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			3,486	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			1,362	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	8.4	7.2	6.2	-26.2	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	90.8	67.9	64.8	-28.6	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)		175	204	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)		1,938	2,389	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)		79.6	77.1	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)			135	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)			117	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community			yes	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	29.6	22.3	17.3 (8 of 42)	-41.6	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	6.4	5.8	6.4 (18 of 51)	0.0	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		14.2	9.7	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	89.5	108.0	117.6	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	29.1	27.0	26.0	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			48.6	--	1,112.2

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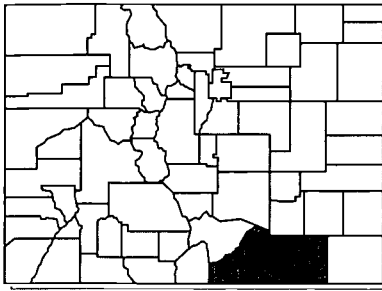
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Las Animas County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	17,086
1999 population under 5	948
1999 population under 18	4,027
1998 # of live births	172

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$20,844
Median income of married couple family	\$23,826
Median income of female headed family	\$11,042
# of children living in poverty	1,144
% of children living in poverty	33.4%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	197.0	197.0	124.7 (59 of 63)('97)	--	53.4 ('97)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		111.5('97)	86.5 (59 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		48.4	57.6 (57 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	10.2	14.8	11.1 (30 of 63)	+8.8	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	33.3	36.1	34.9 (50 of 60)	+4.8	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	73.3	71.2	71.5 (47 of 61)	-2.5	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	4.6	7.3	8.7 (29 of 51)	+89.1	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			3	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			268	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			484	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			283	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	15.4	*	*	--	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	113.7	98.2	*	--	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)		17	13	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)		117	153	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)		100.0	98.7	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)			3	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)			6	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community			yes	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	35.1	56.8	41.3 (30 of 42)	+17.7	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	8.2	6.8	12.2 (41 of 51)	+48.8	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		*	*	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	65.6	107.0	139.6	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	30.7	105.0	97.8	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			7.4	--	1,112.2

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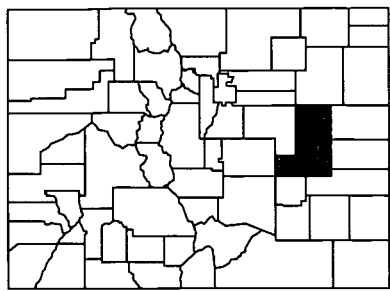
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Lincoln County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	6,735
1999 population under 5	329
1999 population under 18	1,481
1998 # of live births	56

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$24,173
Median income of married couple family	\$25,909
Median income of female headed family	\$13,583
# of children living in poverty	286
% of children living in poverty	24.8%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	34.4	21.7	30.5 (29 of 63)('97)	--	53.4 ('97)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		20.2('97)	14.6 (25 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		24.1	29.8 (32 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	19.8	28.7	21.7 (56 of 63)	+9.6	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	19.0	20.3	12.5 (4 of 60)	-34.2	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	84.2	79.7	80.4 (31 of 61)	-4.5	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	8.6	13.6	14.3 (47 of 51)	+66.3	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			5	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			90	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			76	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			60	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	*	*	*	--	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	*	*	*	--	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)	12	9	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)	74	80	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)	82.4	81.3	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)	6	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)	5	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community	no	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	*	25.3	*	--	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	*	5.1	5.4 (11 of 51)	--	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		*	*	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	17.5	13.0	10.6	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	0.0	0.0	0.0	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			0	--	1,112.2

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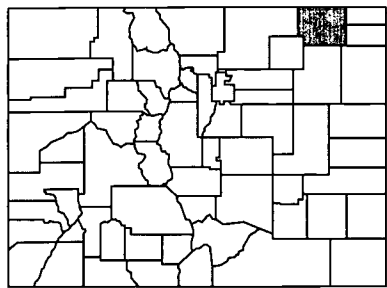
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Teen suicide rate - average 1992-1996 and 1994-1998.

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Logan County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	20,823
1999 population under 5	1,298
1999 population under 18	5,100
1998 # of live births	237

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$26,436
Median income of married couple family	\$29,274
Median income of female headed family	\$10,761
# of children living in poverty	845
% of children living in poverty	18.5%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	80.0	96.6	44.6 (41 of 63)('97)	--	53.4 ('97)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		35.6('97)	21.1 (35 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		28.6	34.8 (36 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	9.9	9.4	11.4 (31 of 63)	+15.2	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	23.4	31.0	22.4 (25 of 60)	-4.3	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	74.2	75.2	70.8 (48 of 61)	-4.6	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	3.7	6.9	6.3 (7 of 51)	+70.3	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			16	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			352	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			321	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			161	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	18.3	12.2	*	--	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	84.0	134.1	*	--	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)	20	49	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)	251	460	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)	52.6	61.1	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)	7	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)	13	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community	yes	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	34.8	35.6	28.6 (18 of 42)	-17.8	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	11.5	9.5	5.5 (14 of 51)	-52.2	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		*	*	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	122.9	92.0	111.5	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	23.6	32.0	30.4	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			1.1	--	1,112.2

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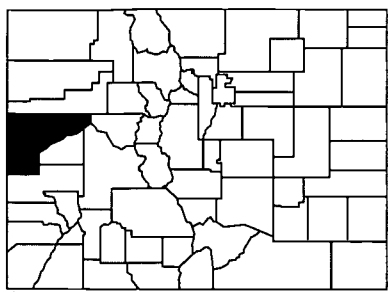
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Mesa County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	115,150
1999 population under 5	7,368
1999 population under 18	28,789
1998 # of live births	1,469

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$27,637
Median income of married couple family	\$31,183
Median income of female headed family	\$12,577
# of children living in poverty	4,913
% of children living in poverty	20.1%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	117.5	102.6	59.8 (48 of 63)('97)	--	53.4 ('97)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		43.3('97)	33.3 (43 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		26.1	35.4 (38 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	12.9	17.9	20.2 (55 of 63)	+56.6	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	22.9	26.5	24.5 (34 of 60)	+7.0	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	75.9	81.6	89.0 (9 of 61)	+17.3	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	6.0	6.3	7.0 (9 of 51)	+16.7	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			96	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			2,114	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			2,295	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			1,885	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	9.6	5.4	6.8	-29.2	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	93.9	70.4	62.3	-33.7	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)		237	198	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)		2,162	1,454	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)		67.6	56.8	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)			73	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)			109	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community			no	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	35.7	37.5	24.9 (15 of 42)	-30.3	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	10.3	10.4	8.1 (29 of 51)	-21.4	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		25.7	*	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	103.6	100.0	118.3	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	21.0	21.0	26.4	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			56.9	--	1,112.2

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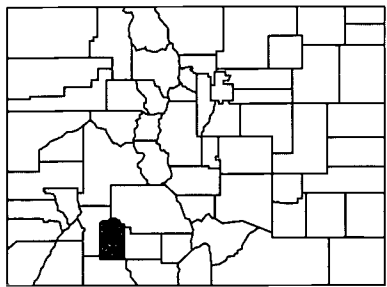
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Mineral County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	729
1999 population under 5	39
1999 population under 18	174
1998 # of live births	3

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$22,232
Median income of married couple family	\$22,687
Median income of female headed family	\$7,743
# of children living in poverty	19
% of children living in poverty	15.2%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	23.8	53.3	33.0 (32 of 63)('97)	--	53.4 ('97)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		36.5('97)	45.7 (51 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		18.1	25.9 (28 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	0.0	6.0	7.7 (18 of 63)	--	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	*	*	*	--	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	66.7	100.0	*	--	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	*	*	*	--	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			0	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			10	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			20	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			15	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	*	*	*	--	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	*	*	*	--	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)	1	0	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)	7	6	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)	85.7	100.0	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)	0	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)	0	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community	no	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	*	*	*	--	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	*	*	*	--	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		*	*	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	0.0	0.0	0.0	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	0.0	0.0	0.0	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			0	--	1,112.2

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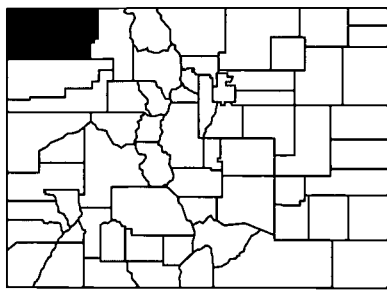
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Moffat County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	12,770
1999 population under 5	790
1999 population under 18	3,551
1998 # of live births	178

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$35,577
Median income of married couple family	\$38,621
Median income of female headed family	\$10,104
# of children living in poverty	464
% of children living in poverty	12.9%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	49.2	53.9	42.5 (39 of 63)('97)	--	53.4 ('97)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		40.5('97)	34.6 (45 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		12.5	20.4 (21 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	21.6	10.3	13.6 (44 of 63)	-37.0	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	29.2	24.4	20.2 (18 of 60)	-30.8	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	77.1	78.0	80.8 (30 of 61)	+4.8	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	8.8	7.1	6.2 (5 of 51)	-29.5	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			16	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			287	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			301	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			126	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	*	*	*	--	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	133.1	77.5	*	--	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)	78	41	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)	261	238	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)	98.1	74.8	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)	4	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)	6	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community	no	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	36.0	24.4	16.9 (7 of 42)	-53.1	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	9.9	7.9	5.6 (16 of 51)	-43.4	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		*	*	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	154.1	170.0	94.7	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	6.0	28.0	21.2	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			3.3	--	1,112.2

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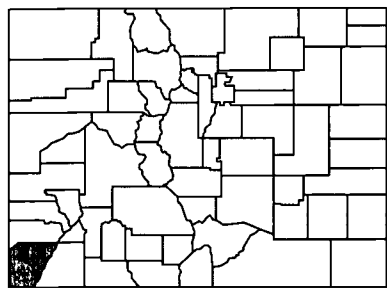
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Teen suicide rate - average 1992-1996 and 1994-1998.

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Montezuma County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	23,783
1999 population under 5	1,668
1999 population under 18	6,728
1998 # of live births	320

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$25,825
Median income of married couple family	\$28,548
Median income of female headed family	\$11,488
# of children living in poverty	1,505
% of children living in poverty	26.5%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	95.2	64.9	50.6 (43 of 63)('97)	--	53.4 ('97)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		46.4 ('97)	41.4 (48 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		30.3	43.8 (47 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	8.6	12.5	17.2 (51 of 63)	+100.0	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	32.9	35.9	35.0 (51 of 60)	+6.4	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	65.2	66.9	72.7 (45 of 61)	+11.5	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	7.9	7.1	7.8 (18 of 51)	-1.3	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			30	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			493	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			626	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			353	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	*	*	9.4	--	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	85.8	61.3	91.8	+7.0	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)	37	31	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)	462	363	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)	58.4	50.4	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)	7	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)	7	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community	no	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	34.6	36.9	18.9 (10 of 42)	-45.4	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	12.8	9.8	11.9 (39 of 51)	-7.0	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		*	*	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	56.9	42.0	27.1	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	0.0	3.0	0.0	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			4.6	--	1,112.2

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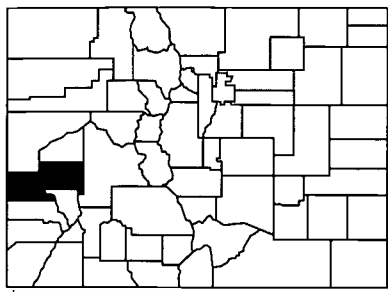
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Montrose County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	32,666
1999 population under 5	2,284
1999 population under 18	8,485
1998 # of live births	425

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$26,804
Median income of married couple family	\$29,392
Median income of female headed family	\$12,287
# of children living in poverty	1,226
% of children living in poverty	18.6%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	60.0	48.7	44.1 (40 of 63)(⁹⁷)	--	53.4 (⁹⁷)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		37.9(⁹⁷)	32.3 (42 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		23.3	36.8 (39 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	19.6	19.4	17.0 (50 of 63)	-13.3	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	21.0	24.5	32.5 (46 of 60)	+54.8	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	61.0	66.5	70.0 (51 of 61)	+14.8	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	6.8	7.6	7.8 (18 of 51)	+14.7	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			43	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			582	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			812	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			459	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	12.9	*	*	--	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	116.1	52.0	72.3	-37.7	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)		34	92	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)		251	327	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)		100.0	99.4	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)			12	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)			24	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community			no	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	25.4	42.9	38.3 (27 of 42)	+50.8	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	9.7	7.7	12.7 (44 of 51)	+30.9	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		*	*	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	63.4	67.0	115.3	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	9.4	14.0	2.5	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			9.9	--	1,112.2

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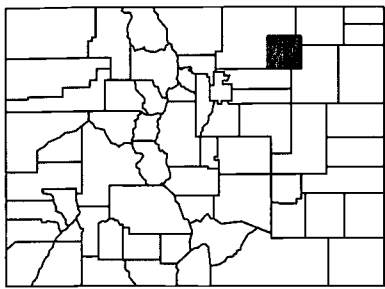
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Morgan County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	27,649
1999 population under 5	2,473
1999 population under 18	8,472
1998 # of live births	495

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$27,463
Median income of married couple family	\$30,195
Median income of female headed family	\$12,072
# of children living in poverty	1,331
% of children living in poverty	20.5%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	93.2	71.3	51.5 (44 of 63)(97)	--	53.4 (97)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		38.4(97)	29.6 (39 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		34.1	44.6 (49 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	12.0	14.9	17.7 (52 of 63)	+47.5	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	21.2	24.1	36.6 (55 of 60)	+72.6	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	63.3	68.1	70.3 (50 of 61)	+11.1	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	7.8	8.1	7.3 (13 of 51)	-6.4	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			43	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			538	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			486	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			248	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	8.1	9.0	6.1	-24.7	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	88.6	104.5	73.2	-17.4	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)	121	113	--	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)	607	539	--	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)	87.0	76.1	--	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)	12	--	--	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)	15	--	--	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community	yes	--	--	--	--

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	43.6	66.8	88.7 (42 of 42)	+103.4	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	10.0	11.8	17.2 (49 of 51)	+72.0	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		16.3	*	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	107.6	75.0	115.4	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	10.4	21.0	11.2	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			7.6	--	1,112.2

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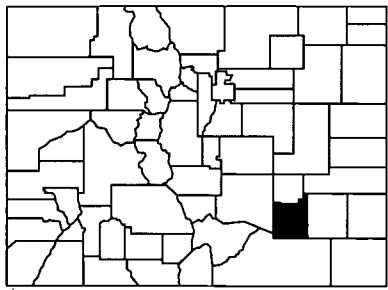
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Otero County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	21,817
1999 population under 5	1,512
1999 population under 18	6,020
1998 # of live births	254

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Medion family income	\$22,239
Medion income of married couple family	\$25,625
Medion income of female headed family	\$8,501
# of children living in poverty	1,909
% of children living in poverty	33.3%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	182.6	157.1	112.1 (56 of 63)(⁹⁷)	--	53.4 (⁹⁷)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		102.6(⁹⁷)	75.0 (56 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		46.3	54.6 (56 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	10.8	11.8	13.5 (43 of 63)	+25.0	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	32.0	39.3	48.8 (59 of 60)	+52.5	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	75.3	69.1	79.9 (34 of 61)	+6.1	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	5.7	8.9	9.4 (39 of 51)	+64.9	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			10	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			443	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			488	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			218	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	*	*	*	--	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	52.2	48.0	67.7	+29.7	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)		103	58	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)		354	422	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)		91.2	65.9	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)			8	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)			8	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community			no	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	52.4	50.1	48.1 (35 of 42)	-8.2	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	13.1	11.3	12.6 (43 of 51)	-3.8	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		*	*	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	116.3	115.0	107.7	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	56.5	70.0	18.3	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			15.1	--	1,112.2

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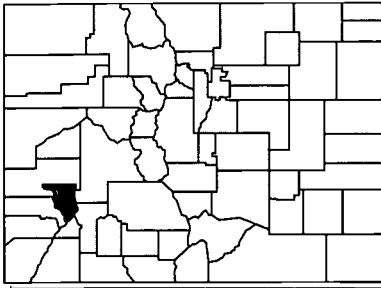
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Ouray County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	3,609
1999 population under 5	190
1999 population under 18	832
1998 # of live births	34

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$30,669
Median income of married couple family	\$32,104
Median income of female headed family	\$18,750
# of children living in poverty	72
% of children living in poverty	12.5%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	8.2	14.4	12.2 (9 of 63)(97)	--	53.4 (97)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		12.6(97)	5.9 (12 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		9.6	14.8 (12 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	3.3	3.1	7.5 (17 of 63)	+127.3	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	19.2	17.6	29.4 (43 of 60)	+53.1	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	*	75.8	87.9 (10 of 61)	--	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	*	*	17.6 (49 of 51)	--	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			1	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			55	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			72	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			33	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	*	*	*	--	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	*	*	*	--	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)		2	0	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)		28	37	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)		92.9	100.0	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)			1	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)			2	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community			no	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	*	*	*	--	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	*	*	*	--	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		*	*	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	0.0	0.0	28.3	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	0.0	0.0	51.4	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			1.7	--	1,112.2

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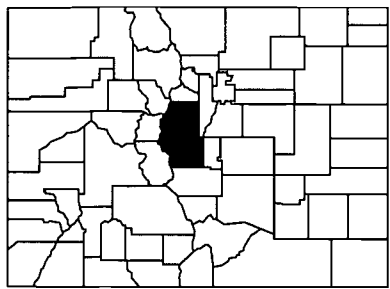
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Park County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	14,656
1999 population under 5	913
1999 population under 18	3,714
1998 # of live births	168

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$35,491
Median income of married couple family	\$36,683
Median income of female headed family	\$10,100
# of children living in poverty	222
% of children living in poverty	11.8%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	12.8	18.5	18.8 (18 of 63)(⁹⁷)	--	53.4 (⁹⁷)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		13.1(⁹⁷)	5.0 (10 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		12.0	16.7 (16 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	11.4	15.8	6.3 (14 of 63)	-44.7	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	8.4	11.0	20.2 (18 of 60)	+140.5	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	86.3	86.3	87.4 (12 of 61)	+1.3	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	10.5	13.2	16.7 (48 of 51)	+59.0	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			0	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			212	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			227	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			62	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	*	*	*	--	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	*	*	86.8	--	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)	7	5		--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)		65	87	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)		100.0	95.4	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)		4		--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)			9	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community			no	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	*	16.9	*	--	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	3.2	2.2	5.4 (11 of 51)	+68.8	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		*	*	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	31.6	61.0	35.9	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	10.6	64.0	6.1	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			3.7	--	1,112.2

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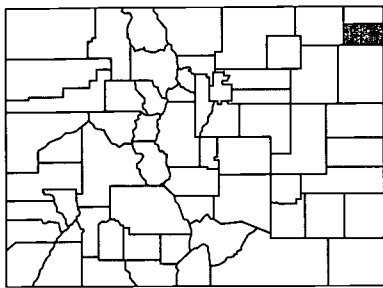
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Phillips County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	4,696
1999 population under 5	310
1999 population under 18	1,196
1998 # of live births	74

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$26,051
Median income of married couple family	\$27,444
Median income of female headed family	\$12,750
# of children living in poverty	184
% of children living in poverty	17.0%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	32.6	37.7	8.5 (7 of 63)('97)	--	53.4 ('97)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		12.2('97)	5.2 (11 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		23.6	27.2 (29 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	2.6	16.2	1.8 (2 of 63)	-30.8	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	8.5	18.5	16.2 (12 of 60)	+90.6	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	87.2	81.5	83.6 (20 of 61)	-4.1	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	6.4	*	8.1 (21 of 51)	+26.6	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			1	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			83	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			51	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			44	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	*	*	*	--	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	*	*	*	--	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)		4	5	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)		93	28	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)		87.1	85.7	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)			2	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)			2	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community			no	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	*	34.8	*	--	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	*	13.0	5.4 (11 of 51)	--	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		*	*	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	8.1	27.0	12.2	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	0.0	0.0	17.5	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			0	--	1,112.2

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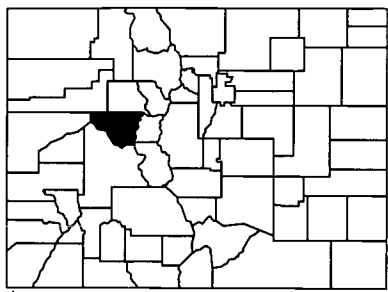
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Pitkin County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	14,802
1999 population under 5	761
1999 population under 18	2,952
1998 # of live births	135

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$52,976
Median income of married couple family	\$57,846
Median income of female headed family	\$31,250
# of children living in poverty	78
% of children living in poverty	3.7%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	5.8	2.8	2.0 (2 of 63)('97)	--	53.4 ('97)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		1.1('97)	0.1 (1 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		0.0	1.2 (2 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	3.2	2.5	0.4 (1 of 63)	-87.5	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	16.8	15.3	24.4 (33 of 60)	+45.2	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	73.7	84.6	86.7 (14 of 61)	+17.6	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	10.3	10.3	7.4 (15 of 51)	-28.2	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			0	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			170	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			192	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			22	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	*	*	*	--	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	135.6	*	*	--	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)	5	8	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)	145	79	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)	84.1	84.8	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)	1	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)	2	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community	no	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	*	21.3	14.5 (4 of 42)	–	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	3.2	4.8	5.2 (9 of 51)	+62.5	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		*	*	–	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	41.6	23.0	31.4	–	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	0.0	11.0	0.0	–	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			0.7	–	1,112.2

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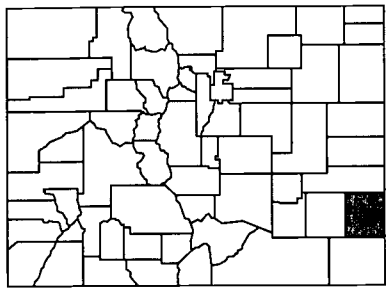
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Prowers County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	14,166
1999 population under 5	1,123
1999 population under 18	4,273
1998 # of live births	226

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$23,931
Median income of married couple family	\$26,929
Median income of female headed family	\$10,678
# of children living in poverty	1,127
% of children living in poverty	27.3%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	126.1	117.4	82.5 (51 of 63)('97)	--	53.4 ('97)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		67.6('97)	43.3 (50 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		39.4	48.9 (53 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	10.7	10.5	12.8 (39 of 63)	+19.6	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	33.8	33.0	33.2 (48 of 60)	-1.8	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	64.4	60.5	69.5 (52 of 61)	+7.9	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	9.9	8.1	8.8 (32 of 51)	-11.1	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			0	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			315	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			271	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			310	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	*	*	*	--	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	*	*	*	--	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)	33	22	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)	230	234	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)	94.4	66.2	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)	10	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)	6	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community	yes	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	30.0	77.4	80.2 (41 of 42)	+167.3	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	14.4	15.5	18.6 (51 of 51)	+29.2	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		*	*	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	20.0	44.0	90.3	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	0.0	5.0	5.0	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			4.5	--	1,112.2

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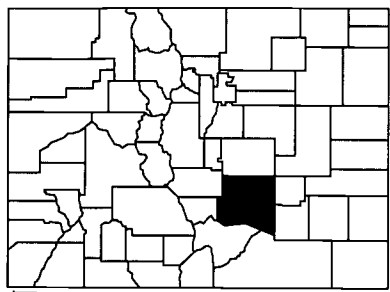
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Pueblo County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	137,962
1999 population under 5	8,998
1999 population under 18	34,154
1998 # of live births	1,909

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$25,784
Median income of married couple family	\$29,741
Median income of female headed family	\$11,016
# of children living in poverty	9,352
% of children living in poverty	29.3%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	214.1	208.5	145.1 (61 of 63)('97)	--	53.4 ('97)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		131.2('97)	83.1 (57 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		37.9	46.4 (51 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	15.7	19.6	25.4 (60 of 63)	+61.8	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	37.6	41.4	42.2 (58 of 60)	+12.2	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	77.1	82.8	78.7 (38 of 61)	+2.1	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	7.1	9.4	8.6 (27 of 51)	+21.1	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			159	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			2,542	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			2,718	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			562	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	7.8	8.5	4.2	-46.2	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	63.6	99.6	52.4	-17.6	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)		232	118	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)		1,490	1,652	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)		77.2	74.3	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)			77	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)			104	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community			no	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	50.4	53.0	46.7 (33 of 42)	-7.3	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	13.9	13.9	16.4 (48 of 51)	+18.0	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		12.6	*	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	321.0	223.0	314.9	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	269.5	122.0	144.9	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			27.4	--	1,112.2

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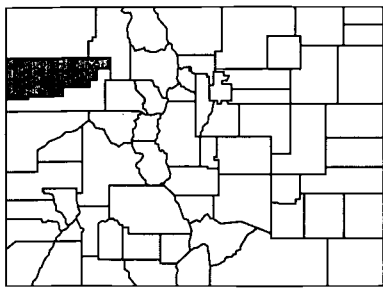
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Rio Blanco County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	7,412
1999 population under 5	375
1999 population under 18	1,844
1998 # of live births	61

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$34,122
Median income of married couple family	\$36,141
Median income of female headed family	\$14,375
# of children living in poverty	290
% of children living in poverty	16.5%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	35.0	37.1	31.7 (30 of 63)('97)	--	53.4 ('97)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		16.3('97)	10.2 (20 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		12.1	22.3 (23 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	16.6	18.5	12.9 (40 of 63)	-22.3	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	11.7	14.5	14.8 (9 of 60)	+26.5	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	75.0	72.6	80.3 (32 of 61)	+7.1	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	*	4.8	9.8 (42 of 51)	--	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			3	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			143	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			157	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			49	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	*	*	*	--	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	*	145.1	*	--	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)		14	8	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)		64	36	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)		95.3	97.2	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)			4	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)			3	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community			no	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	21.4	20.8	*	--	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	3.9	4.8	*	--	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		*	*	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	18.8	46.0	23.6	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	0.0	11.0	0.0	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			0	--	1,112.2

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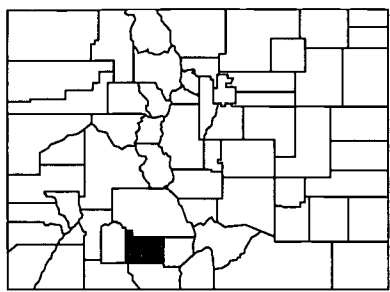
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Rio Grande County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	12,428
1999 population under 5	824
1999 population under 18	3,458
1998 # of live births	167

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$21,370
Median income of married couple family	\$24,245
Median income of female headed family	\$11,525
# of children living in poverty	1,000
% of children living in poverty	31.8%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	136.9	154.1	107.0 (55 of 63)('97)	--	53.4 ('97)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		104.7('97)	85.7 (58 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		41.1	48.5 (52 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	6.5	6.0	7.7 (18 of 63)	+18.5	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	25.1	24.3	33.5 (49 of 60)	+33.5	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	72.2	83.2	81.4 (27 of 61)	+12.7	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	10.1	7.9	8.4 (25 of 51)	-16.8	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			5	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			252	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			384	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			157	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	16.8	*	*	--	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	178.7	113.3	86.6	-51.5	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)		24	11	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)		178	122	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)		93.8	87.7	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)			1	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)			8	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community			no	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	43.8	55.4	51.0 (36 of 42)	+16.4	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	10.6	8.2	16.2 (47 of 51)	+52.8	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		*	*	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	71.0	83.0	106.3	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	19.7	44.0	18.5	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			0.4	--	1,112.2

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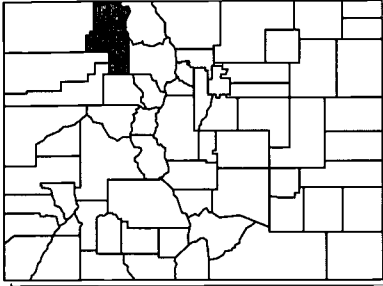
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Routt County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	18,371
1999 population under 5	1,016
1999 population under 18	4,529
1998 # of live births	196

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$37,050
Median income of married couple family	\$40,300
Median income of female headed family	\$15,404
# of children living in poverty	365
% of children living in poverty	10.4%

FAMILIES IN NEED	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	12.9	11.5	4.7 (4 of 63)('97)	--	53.4 ('97)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		2.9('97)	1.5 (3 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		6.8	11.0 (7 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	3.6	6.4	8.0 (20 of 63)	+122.2	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	12.2	17.9	13.8 (8 of 60)	+13.1	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	78.9	80.4	90.3 (5 of 61)	+14.4	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	6.6	8.3	7.1 (10 of 51)	+7.6	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			12	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			313	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+ ** (# as of Dec. 1999)			269	--	68,843
CHP+ ** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			79	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	16.6	17.9	*	--	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	138.9	126.2	*	--	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)		22	20	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)		149	104	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)		77.2	81.7	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)			6	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)			9	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community			yes	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	25.8	*	9.6 (2 of 42)	-62.8	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	2.2	1.8	2.6 (2 of 51)	+18.2	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		*	*	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	16.6	40.0	38.9	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	0.0	0.0	0.0	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			1.7	--	1,112.2

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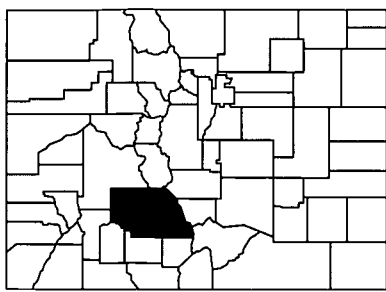
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Saguache County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	6,189
1999 population under 5	474
1999 population under 18	1,846
1998 # of live births	97

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$18,915
Median income of married couple family	\$21,907
Median income of female headed family	\$9,091
# of children living in poverty	610
% of children living in poverty	42.4%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	151.4	148.9	96.3 (53 of 63)('97)	--	53.4 ('97)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		80.0('97)	56.3 (52 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		62.9	74.5 (62 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	7.7	10.7	8.2 (22 of 63)	+6.5	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	20.8	27.6	24.7 (35 of 60)	+18.8	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	78.5	84.2	70.8 (48 of 61)	-9.8	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	9.4	6.6	6.2 (5 of 51)	-34.0	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			0	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			129	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			257	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			88	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	*	*	*	--	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	*	*	*	--	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)	12	9	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)	131	141	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)	100.0	93.6	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)	0	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)	3	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community	no	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	63.3	67.1	60.2 (38 of 42)	-4.9	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	8.3	10.7	11.3 (38 of 51)	+36.1	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		*	*	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	29.4	61.0	36.9	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	0.0	0.0	0.0	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			2.8	--	1,112.2

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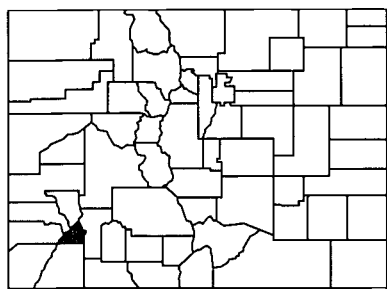
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San Juan County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	574
1999 population under 5	34
1999 population under 18	147
1998 # of live births	7

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$28,906
Median income of married couple family	\$29,286
Median income of female headed family	\$22,917
# of children living in poverty	33
% of children living in poverty	14.8%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	51.4	55.9	33.7 (34 of 63)(⁹⁷)	--	53.4 (⁹⁷)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		20.5(⁹⁷)	15.5 (29 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		15.1	11.6 (8 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	0.0	0.0	6.6 (15 of 63)	--	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	*	*	71.4 (60 of 60)	--	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	71.4	66.7	57.1 (60 of 61)	-20.0	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	*	*	*	--	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			1	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			13	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			29	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			13	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	*	*	*	--	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	*	*	*	--	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)	1	0	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)	13	3	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)	38.5	0.0	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)	0	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)	0	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community	no	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	*	*	*	--	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	*	*	*	--	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		*	*	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	215.7	143.0	141.2	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	0.0	0.0	0.0	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			0	--	1,112.2

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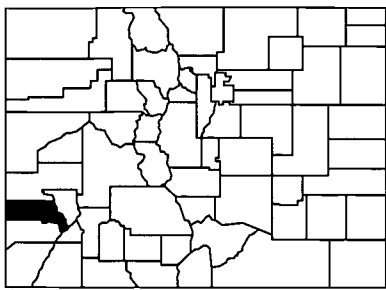
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San Miguel County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	6,146
1999 population under 5	361
1999 population under 18	1,480
1998 # of live births	64

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$32,708
Median income of married couple family	\$37,560
Median income of female headed family	\$11,447
# of children living in poverty	96
% of children living in poverty	11.9%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	18.9	9.2	9.6 (8 of 63)('97)	--	53.4 ('97)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		10.3('97)	4.7 (9 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		8.4	14.8 (12 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	13.9	1.8	3.5 (5 of 63)	-74.8	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	18.8	16.7	12.5 (4 of 60)	-33.5	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	72.3	83.0	85.7 (17 of 61)	+18.5	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	10.4	8.3	10.9 (45 of 51)	+4.8	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			3	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			83	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			105	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			25	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	*	*	*	--	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	*	*	*	--	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)		4	0	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)		33	27	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)		84.9	51.9	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)			0	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)			0	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community			no	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	*	*	*	--	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	*	*	4.7 (6 of 51)	--	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		*	*	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	21.4	15.0	13.6	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	29.6	22.0	0.0	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			1.8	--	1,112.2

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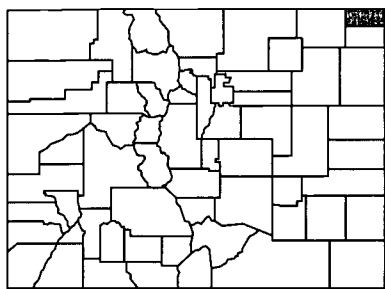
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Sedgwick County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	2,788
1999 population under 5	163
1999 population under 18	609
1998 # of live births	35

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$23,569
Median income of married couple family	\$24,187
Median income of female headed family	\$13,760
# of children living in poverty	103
% of children living in poverty	16.0%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	58.6	47.0	19.9 (20 of 63)('97)	—	53.4 ('97)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		19.2('97)	6.1 (13 of 63)	—	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		29.3	44.0 (48 of 63)	—	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	9.7	18.0	11.6 (33 of 63)	+19.6	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	25.0	20.0	22.9 (27 of 60)	-8.4	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	68.8	88.6	82.9 (24 of 61)	+20.5	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	*	*	*	—	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			0	—	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			46	—	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			37	—	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			36	—	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	*	*	*	—	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	161.0	*	*	—	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)	11	1	—	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)	49	33	—	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)	81.6	45.5	—	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)	1	—	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)	4	—	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community	no	—	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	*	*	*	—	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	*	8.6	*	—	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		*	*	—	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	6.2	23.0	0.0	—	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	0.0	33.0	0.0	—	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			0	—	1,112.2

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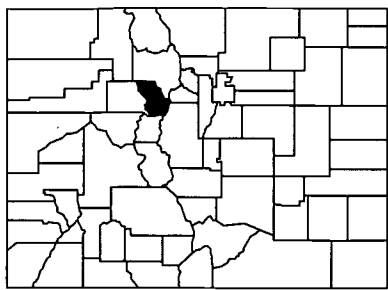
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Summit County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	20,487
1999 population under 5	1,241
1999 population under 18	4,938
1998 # of live births	255

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$41,709
Median income of married couple family	\$44,539
Median income of female headed family	\$21,641
# of children living in poverty	172
% of children living in poverty	6.5%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	5.0	1.9	1.9 (1 of 63)('97)	--	53.4 ('97)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		2.3('97)	1.1 (2 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		3.9	9.8 (5 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	8.0	14.4	5.1 (10 of 63)	-36.3	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	8.1	10.1	16.1 (11 of 60)	+98.8	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	85.6	86.5	89.4 (8 of 61)	+4.4	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	12.0	13.9	9.0 (33 of 51)	-25.0	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			17	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			271	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			212	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			20	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	*	14.4	*	--	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	*	114.7	127.1	--	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)		11	10	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)		108	132	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)		96.3	84.1	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)			12	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)			7	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community			no	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	25.1	*	21.0 (14 of 42)	-16.3	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	0.5	2.4	5.1 (7 of 51)	+920.0	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		*	*	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	79.1	70.0	88.4	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	10.4	9.0	10.1	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			0.6	--	1,112.2

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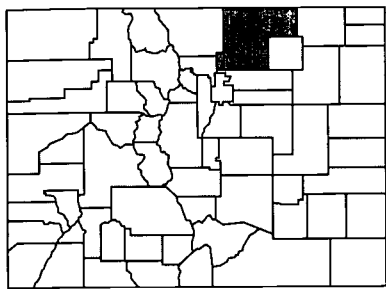
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Weld County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	164,348
1999 population under 5	12,504
1999 population under 18	44,878
1998 # of live births	2,638

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$30,800
Median income of married couple family	\$33,906
Median income of female headed family	\$13,609
# of children living in poverty	6,839
% of children living in poverty	18.9%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	99.0	96.5	55.8 (46 of 63)('97)	--	53.4 ('97)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		42.9('97)	24.9 (38 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		33.1	39.5 (41 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	10.1	16.1	12.0 (36 of 63)	+18.8	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	25.6	32.8	28.3 (40 of 60)	+10.5	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	67.1	71.8	66.2 (57 of 61)	-1.3	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	6.9	6.4	7.4 (15 of 51)	+7.2	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			181	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			3,146	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			2,930	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			1,178	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	6.7	6.2	7.6	+13.4	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	81.6	72.9	84.4	+3.4	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)		226	191	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)		833	1,672	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)		65.8	64.3	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)		49	--	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)		106	--	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community		no	--	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	44.1	46.8	38.3 (27 of 42)	-13.2	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	10.5	12.9	12.5 (42 of 51)	+19.0	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		15.0	13.0	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	96.6	118.0	116.7	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	21.0	16.0	21.0	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			54.4	--	1,112.2

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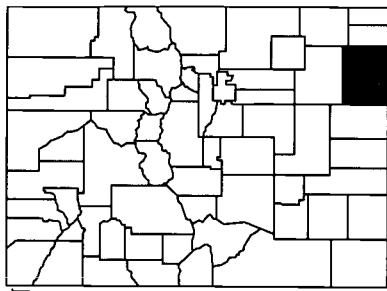
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Yuma County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	9,778
1999 population under 5	594
1999 population under 18	2,489
1998 # of live births	129

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$26,465
Median income of married couple family	\$27,525
Median income of female headed family	\$10,000
# of children living in poverty	381
% of children living in poverty	15.0%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	30.7	34.6	21.7 (22 of 63)('97)	--	53.4 ('97)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		15.0('97)	12.2 (21 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		23.1	39.5 (42 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	8.2	7.5	14.7 (46 of 63)	+79.3	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	10.0	9.4	24.8 (36 of 60)	+148.0	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	90.0	86.3	79.1 (37 of 61)	-12.1	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	6.4	6.3	5.4 (3 of 51)	-15.6	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			4	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			196	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			112	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			85	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	*	*	*	--	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	77.8	*	117.6	+51.2	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)	21	14	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)	73	105	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)	86.3	71.4	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)	5	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)	4	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community	no	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	*	15.0	29.4 (21 of 42)	--	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	2.7	4.3	7.0 (24 of 51)	+159.3	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		*	*	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	73.2	23.0	20.5	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	8.2	8.0	0.0	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			1.6	--	1,112.2

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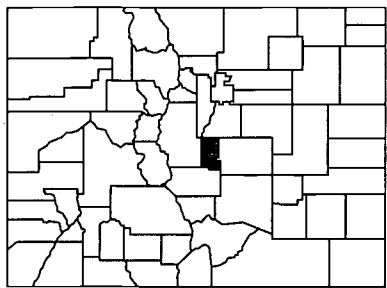
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Teller County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	22,449
1999 population under 5	1,387
1999 population under 18	5,819
1998 # of live births	188

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$35,370
Median income of married couple family	\$36,847
Median income of female headed family	\$15,202
# of children living in poverty	392
% of children living in poverty	11.1%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	43.6	45.6	22.5 (24 of 63)('97)	--	53.4 ('97)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		20.0('97)	17.7 (30 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		11.1	14.3 (10 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	7.5	13.5	18.5 (54 of 63)	+146.7	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	9.7	15.7	21.3 (21 of 60)	+119.6	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	88.6	89.2	84.6 (19 of 61)	-4.5	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	8.6	13.0	10.1 (43 of 51)	+17.4	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			7	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			373	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			401	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			103	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	*	*	*	--	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	*	88.5	74.1	--	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)	36	20	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)	214	345	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)	85.1	71.3	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)	7	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)	9	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community	no	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	22.7	9.2	25.1 (16 of 42)	+10.6	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	3.4	2.7	7.4 (28 of 51)	+117.6	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		24.5	*	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	93.0	129.0	142.0	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000)	54.2	22.0	11.2	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			6.6	--	1,112.2

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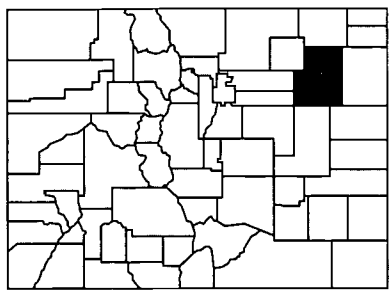
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Washington County



COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

1999 population	5,429
1999 population under 5	308
1999 population under 18	1,355
1998 # of live births	59

FAMILY ECONOMICS (1990 CENSUS)

Median family income	\$24,351
Median income of married couple family	\$25,759
Median income of female headed family	\$12,273
# of children living in poverty	288
% of children living in poverty	22.2%

FAMILIES IN NEED

	91	94	98 (RANK)	91-98 % CHANGE	98 STATE
Children receiving AFDC (per 1,000)	30.3	41.9	17.5 (17 of 63)('97)	--	53.4 ('97)
Children receiving TANF (per 1,000)		16.1('97)	8.4 (17 of 63)	--	32.2
Children qualifying for free lunch (%)		29.9	42.4 (44 of 63)	--	27.7
Children in out-of-home placements (per 1,000)	14.1	22.1	16.1 (49 of 63)	+14.2	13.4
Births to single moms (%)	20.8	19.4	22.0 (24 of 60)	+5.8	25.5

CHILD HEALTH

Moms receiving early prenatal care (%)	81.1	81.9	81.4 (27 of 61)	+0.4	82.2
Low birth weight births (%)	9.4	5.6	*	--	8.7
Children 0-3 with disabilities (#)			4	--	3,638
Children with asthma (# in 1995)			93	--	73,175
Children Eligible for CHP+** (# as of Dec. 1999)			64	--	68,843
CHP+** Enrollment (# as of Dec. 1999)			58	--	22,577
Deaths of infants under age 1 (per 1,000)	*	*	*	--	6.7
Deaths of children under age 18 (per 100,000)	70.3	*	*	--	64.7

ABUSE & NEGLECT

Confirmed incidents of child abuse/neglect (#)	8	12	--	5,120
Abuse/neglect referrals (#)	118	111	--	46,462
Abuse/neglect referrals investigated (%)	94.1	71.2	--	61.5

EARLY CARE & EDUCATION

Child care facility closures (#)	2	--	1,383
New applications for child care facilities (#)	4	--	1,700
Child Care Pilot Community	no	--	

SIGNS OF TROUBLE

Teen birth rate (per 1,000)	*	31.9	*	--	30.2
Three risk factor births (%)	11.3	8.5	5.1 (7 of 51)	-54.9	8.2
Teen suicide rate average (per 100,000)		*	*	--	8.4
Juvenile crime arrest rate (per 1,000)	0.0	6.0	4.4	--	150.2
Juvenile violent crime arrest rate (per 10,000) ¹	0.0	0.0	0.0	--	31.8
Committed Youth (average daily population)			0	--	1,112.2

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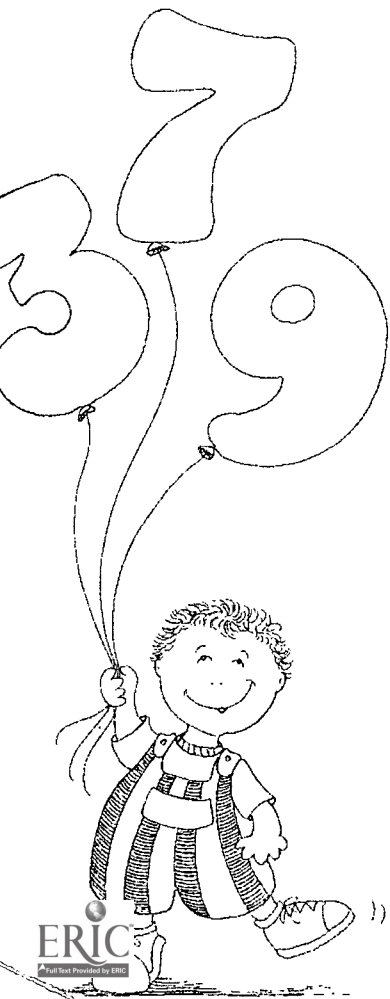
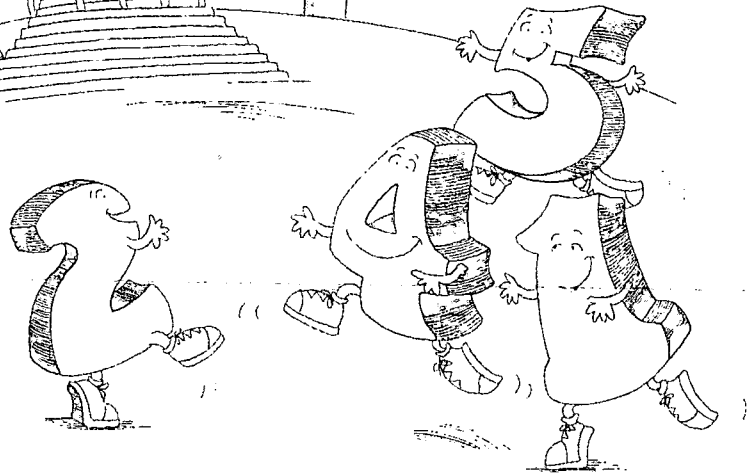
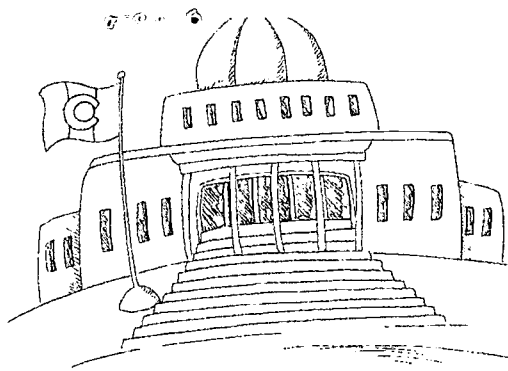
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