

# DENVER *facts*

Winter - 2002 - 2003

## DENVER:

DATE FOUNDED:	1858
DATE INCORPORATED:	1861
GOVERNMENT:	Mayor / Council
LAND AREA: (square miles)	154.63
(acres)	98,963
LATITUDE:	39° 43' N
LONGITUDE:	-104° 58' W
ELEVATION: (feet above sea level)	5,280
LOWEST POINT: (feet above sea level)	5,140
HIGHEST POINT: (feet above sea level)	5,672
RIVERS:	South Platte, Cherry Creek
AVERAGE ANNUAL RAINFALL: (inches)	15.4
AVERAGE ANNUAL SNOWFALL: (inches)	55.4
AVERAGE FEBRUARY TEMPERATURE:	33° F
AVERAGE AUGUST TEMPERATURE:	72° F
AVERAGE GROWING SEASON: (days)	165
AVERAGE SUNSHINE: (days)	300+

## MUNICIPAL PARKS AND RECREATION:

PARK AREA: (acres)	5,100
PARKS:	301
GOLF COURSES (public and private):	15
PARKWAYS: (miles)	100
RECREATION CENTERS:	29
SWIMMING POOLS:	19
HIKE-BIKEWAYS: (miles)	135
MOUNTAIN PARKS: (acres)	13,600
PLAYING FIELDS:	325
TENNIS COURTS:	(77 Lighted) 143

## ATTENDANCE AT DENVER CULTURAL FACILITIES VISITORS (2001):

ART MUSEUM:	555,639
BOTANIC GARDENS:	440,445
MUSEUM OF NATURE AND SCIENCE:	1,670,456
DENVER ZOO:	1,723,234

<b>DENVER PUBLIC LIBRARIES (2001):</b>	23
CIRCULATION:	12,486,851

<b>UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES:</b>	14
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<b>DENVER PUBLIC SCHOOL ENROLLMENT (2001):</b>	72,437
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HIGH SCHOOLS:	10
MIDDLE SCHOOLS:	18
ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS:	87

<b>SHOPPING CENTERS:</b>	58
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<b>RESTAURANTS:</b>	700+
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## CONVENTION FACILITIES (2001):

CONVENTIONS:	45
DELEGATE ATTENDANCE:	190,063
COLORADO CONVENTION CENTER: (exhibit square feet)	300,000

## SEATING CAPACITY:

INVESCO FIELD AT MILE HIGH:	76,125
PEPSI CENTER:	17,600 - 20,000
COORS FIELD:	50,200
RED ROCKS AMPHITHEATER:	9,450
DENVER COLISEUM:	11,500
DENVER PERFORMING ARTS COMPLEX: (PLEX)	9,075
AUDITORIUM THEATER:	2,065
BOETTCHER CONCERT HALL:	2,634
STOCK SHOW COMPLEX:	10,177

## DENVER EMPLOYMENT (2000):

JOBS IN DENVER:	468,392
PERCENT OF METRO AREA:	33.3%
LARGEST EMPLOYMENT SECTORS:	Services, Government, Retail
MAJOR INDUSTRIES:	Communications, Utilities, Transportation
UNEMPLOYMENT RATE (2002):	4.5%

## DOWNTOWN (2001):

EMPLOYMENT:	113,000
TOTAL FLOORSPACE: (square feet)	45,000,000
OFFICE: (square feet)	25,000,000
RETAIL: (square feet)	2,800,000
HOTEL ROOMS:	5,329

<b>ASSESSED VALUATION (2001):</b>	\$7,885,465,670
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## HISTORIC LANDMARK DESIGNATIONS (JANUARY 2003):

DISTRICTS:	42
STRUCTURES:	305

<b>REGISTERED NEIGHBORHOOD ORGANIZATIONS (2001):</b>	204
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POPULATION	2000		1990		1980		(CHANGE) 1990-2000	
	NUMBER	%	NUMBER	%	NUMBER	%	NUMBER	%
<b>TOTAL</b>	554,636	100.0	467,610	100.0	492,356	100.0	87,026	18.6
PERCENT OF REGION		23		25.15		30.2	N/A	
U.S. RANKING	25		26		24		N/A	
<b>AGE</b>								
0-4 YEARS	34,769	6.8	34,764	7.4	33,134	6.8	3,005	8.6
5-17 YEARS	83,997	15.1	68,115	14.6	77,743	15.8	15,882	23.3
18-34 YEARS	173,260	31.2	141,831	30.3	178,958	36.4	31,127	22.2
35-64 YEARS	197,184	35.6	158,095	33.8	140,607	28.6	39,089	24.7
65 YEARS AND OVER	62,426	11.3	64,805	13.9	61,923	12.6	-2,379	-3.7
MEDIAN AGE	33.1		34		30.02		-9	-2.7
MALES	280,207	50.5	227,517	48.7	237,865	48.3	52,690	23.2
FEMALES	274,429	49.5	240,093	51.4	245,500	51.7	34,336	14.3
<b>MARITAL STATUS</b>								
SINGLE	162,109	35.9	121,556	32.1	125,115	32	40,553	33.4
MARRIED	205,658	45.6	176,145	46.5	189,096	48.3	29,513	16.7
WIDOWED OR DIVORCED	83,731	18.5	81,081	21.4	76,930	19.7	2,650	3.3
<b>HOUSEHOLD TYPE</b>								
TOTAL HOUSEHOLDS	239,235	100.0	210,952	100.0	211,004	100.0	28,283	13.4
FAMILY HOUSEHOLDS	119,300	49.9	109,037	51.7	119,288	56.3	10,263	9.4
INDIVIDUAL HOUSEHOLDS	119,935	50.1	101,915	48.3	92,716	43.7	18,020	17.7
PERSONS PER HOUSEHOLD	2.27		2.17		2.27		.1	4.6
PERSONS LIVING IN GROUP QTRS.	12,719		10,850		12,554		1,869	17.2
<b>EDUCATION (25 YEARS AND OVER)</b>								
0-8 YEARS COMPLETED	34,253	9.1	24,678	7.7	39,241	12.7	9,575	38.8
12 OR MORE YEARS COMPLETED	74,922	78.5	75,653	79.2	93,134	74.7	-731	-1.0
COLLEGE (4 OR MORE YEARS COMPLETED)	129,065	34.5	93,144	29.0	76,718	24.8	35,921	38.6
<b>RESIDENCE 5 YEARS (PRIOR TO CENSUS)</b>								
SAME RESIDENCE	220,801	42.7	200,577	46.3	204,625	45.6	20,224	10.1
DIFFERENT RESIDENCE	262,354	50.7	232,988	53.7	244,121	54.4	29,336	12.6
<b>LABOR FORCE (CIVILIAN)</b>								
IN LABOR FORCE	301,434	67.6	250,743	66.9	257,720	66.0	50,691	20.2
EMPLOYED	284,340	94.3	233,602	93.2	244,838	95.0	50,738	21.7
UNEMPLOYED	17,094	3.8	17,141	4.5	12,882	5.0	-47	-0.3
NOT IN LABOR FORCE	144,263	32.3	121,503	32.5	133,074	34.1	22,760	18.7
<b>EMPLOYMENT TYPE</b>								
COMMERCIAL	165,775	58.3	121,071	51.8	114,895	46.9	44,704	36.9
INDUSTRIAL	56,387	19.8	54,875	23.5	66,859	27.3	1,512	2.7
PUBLIC AND QUASI-PUBLIC	60,523	21.3	52,274	22.4	56,545	23.1	8,249	15.8
<b>INCOME</b>								
MEDIAN FAMILY (\$)	48,195		32,038		19,527		N/A	
MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD (\$)	39,500		25,106		15,507		N/A	
PER CAPITA (\$)	24,101		15,590		8,555		N/A	
FAMILIES BELOW POVERTY	12,790	10.6	14,417	13.1	12,251	10.3	-1627	-11.3
PERSONS BELOW POVERTY	77,813	14.3	78,515	17.0	65,829	13.1	-702	-0.9
U.S. POVERTY THRESHOLD (\$)	17,029		12,678		7,356		N/A	

HOUSING UNITS	2000		1990		1980		(CHANGE) 1900-2000	
	NUMBER	%	NUMBER	%	NUMBER	%	NUMBER	%
<b>TOTAL</b>	251,435		239,636	100.0	228,112	100.0	11,799	4.9
<b>UNITS IN STRUCTURE</b>								
ONE UNIT	138,198	55.0	129,697	54.1	124,005	54.4	8,501	6.5
2-9 UNITS	32,272	12.8	30,705	12.8	30,515	13.4	1,567	5.1
10 OR MORE UNITS	80,291	31.9	76,589	32.0	72,587	31.8	3,702	4.8
<b>YEAR UNIT BUILT</b>								
1990 - 1999	18,867	9.5	N/A		N/A		N/A	
1980 - 1989	22,470	8.9	26,510	11.1	N/A		N/A	
1970 - 1979	40,916	16.3	39,543	16.5	44,770	19.7	N/A	
1960 - 1969	35,877	14.3	37,297	15.6	38,173	16.8	N/A	
1940 - 1959	71,700	28.5	74,811	31.2	77,814	34.1	N/A	
1939 OR EARLIER	61,605	24.5	61,475	25.7	67,068	29.0	N/A	
<b>PERSONS PER ROOM</b>								
1.00 OR LESS	220,758	92.3	202,675	96.1	204,634	96.7	18,083	8.9
1.01 OR MORE	18,577	7.7	8,277	3.9	6,932	3.3	10,300	124.4
<b>AUTOMOBILES AVAILABLE</b>								
UNITS WITH NO AUTOS	33,147	13.9	33,789	16.0	33,625	15.9	-642	-1.9
UNITS WITH AUTOS	206,088	86.1	177,163	84.0	177,941	84.1	28,925	16.3
<b>OCCUPANCY</b>								
OWNER-OCCUPIED UNITS	125,539	49.9	103,765	43.3	106,299	46.7	21,774	2.4
RENTER-OCCUPIED UNITS	113,696	45.2	107,187	44.7	105,267	46.2	6509	1.8
VACANT UNITS	12,200	4.9	28,684	12.0	16,240	7.1	16,484	76.6
<b>VALUE OF OWNER OCCUPIED UNITS</b>								
MEAN VALUE (\$)	170,943		79,168		68,774		N/A	
<b>RENT</b>								
MEAN VALUE (\$)	605		404		221		N/A	

LAND USE	1986	2000
	ACRES (thousands)	ESTIMATED ACRES (thousands)
<b>TOTAL</b>	71.2	99.0
RESIDENTIAL	22.8	24.1
COMMERCIAL	3.0	3.8
INDUSTRIAL	4.5	4.9
TCU	7.8	26.0
PUBLIC / SEMI-PUBLIC	6.0	7.1
PARKS AND RECREATION	3.6	4.0
VACANT	7.5	7.1
STREETS	16.0	22.0
<b>1988 ANNEXATION:</b>	27,718 ACRES	
<b>MAJOR REDEVELOPMENT PROJECTS:</b>		
GATEWAY:	4416 ACRES	
LOWRY:	1866 ACRES	
STAPLETON:	4700 ACRES	
CENTRAL PLATTE VALLEY:	1100 ACRES	

# METROPOLITAN POPULATION TRENDS BY CITY

MUNICIPALITY	RANK	POPULATION					LAND AREA
		2000	2000	1990	1980	1970	1960
<b>DENVER</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>554,636</b>	<b>467,610</b>	<b>492,686</b>	<b>514,678</b>	<b>493,887</b>	<b>154.6</b>
AURORA	2	276,393	222,103	158,588	74,974	48,548	142.7
LAKEWOOD	3	144,126	126,481	112,860	92,743	N / A	42.5
ARVADA	4	102,153	89,235	84,576	49,844	19,242	33.0
WESTMINSTER	5	100,940	74,625	50,211	19,512	13,850	32.9
CENTENNIAL	6	100,677	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	28.0
BOULDER	7	94,673	83,312	76,685	66,870	37,718	25.4
THORNTON	8	82,384	55,031	40,343	13,326	11,353	27.2
LONGMONT	9	71,093	51,555	42,942	23,209	11,489	21.9
LITTLETON	10	40,340	33,685	28,631	26,466	13,670	13.9

# DENVER METROPOLITAN POPULATION DATA BY RACE

COUNTIES	ADAMS	ARAPAHOE	BOULDER	DENVER	DOUGLAS	JEFFERSON	DENVER BOULDER CMSA
<b>2000 POPULATION</b>	363,857	487,967	291,288	<b>554,636</b>	175,766	527,056	2,414,649
<b>RACE:</b>							
WHITE %	77.3	79.9	88.5	<b>65.3</b>	92.8	90.6	80.6
BLACK %	3.0	7.7	.9	<b>11.1</b>	1.0	.9	4.9
AMERICAN INDIAN %	1.2	.7	0.6	<b>1.3</b>	0.4	.8	.9
ASIAN %	3.2	3.9	3.1	<b>2.8</b>	2.5	2.3	3.1
OTHER %	15.3	7.8	6.9	<b>19.5</b>	3.3	5.4	10.5
<b>TOTAL</b>	100.0	100.0	100.0	<b>100.0</b>	100.0	100.0	100.0
HISPANIC %	28.2	11.8	10.5	<b>31.7</b>	5.1	10.0	17.7
POPULATION CHANGE 1990-2000	98,819	96,456	65,949	<b>87,026</b>	115,375	88,626	555,641
% CHANGE 1990-2000	37.3	24.6	29.3	<b>18.6</b>	191.1	20.2	29.9



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