



#### **ABOUT JEFFCO EDC**

Jefferson County Economic Development Corporation (Jeffco EDC) is Colorado's premier economic development organization. Jeffco EDC is a consortium of private and public partners striving to enhance the economic vitality of Jefferson County through primary job creation and increased capital investment. Created in 1955, Jeffco EDC is the oldest economic development organization in the state and continues to provide excellence and leadership within the industry. Jeffco EDC serves as a leader on policies and matters impacting the economy, businesses and the overall business climate in Jefferson County, Colorado.

# THE JEFFERSON COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION ADVANTAGE

Jeffco EDC provides professional services for site selection consultants and companies that are considering Jefferson County as a business location. From the initial site discussions, to first day of operations, Jeffco EDC can serve as the project's point-of-contact, presenting an organized and streamlined process needed to make informed business decisions.

From vast rural acreage, thriving urban development, to tucked away mountain escapes, Jefferson County has everything you'd ever want when it comes to growing your business in Colorado. Our knowledge and experience is as diverse as the stunning landscapes that surround us.

Jeffco is an easily accessible and welcoming environment for business success and offers an unmatched quality of life.









Jeffco EDC is a public private partnership that believes the cornerstone of a healthy community is access to quality jobs. As the economic development arm for Jefferson County, our investors sit at the cross section of government, non-profit, education, and for-profit sectors with the common goal of ensuring economic vitality for our community. As the oldest economic development organization in Colorado, we have a storied history of success in thanks to our investors:

AC DEVELOPMENT COMPANY AFFILIATED ENGINEERS INC. APC RESOURCES, LLC **BALL PROPERTIES** 

**BAUKNIGHT ENTERPRISES** BENCHMARK COMMERCIAL

BROWNSTEIN HYATT FARBER SCHRECK CATALYST PUBLIC AFFAIRS

**CBRE** CITY OF ARVADA CITY OF EDGEWATER CITY OF GOLDEN CITY OF LAKEWOOD CITY OF WESTMINSTER CITY OF WHEAT RIDGE

COLORADO CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY COLORADO GIVES FOUNDATION

COLORADO PERA

COLORADO SCHOOL OF MINES

COMCAST **COMMONSPIRIT** 

**CONFLUENCE COMPANIES** CONFLUENT DEVELOPMENT

**CRL ASSOCIATES CROFT ENGINEERING**  DENVER WEST BUSINESS PARK / DPC DIGBY COMMERCIAL ADVISORS

**DYNALECTRIC** 

FIRSTBANK

FOOTERS CATERING FOX ROTHSCHILD

FRONT RANGE PHARMALOGIC FULLER REAL ESTATE - MIKE HALEY

**GOOGLE FIBER** 

**GREENLIGHT STRATEGY** 

**HDR** 

HUSCH BLACKWELL LLP

**INSPERITY** 

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JEFFERSON COUNTY

JEFFERSON COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY JEFFERSON COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

JORDON PERLMUTTER & CO.

JR ENGINEERING **KOELBEL & COMPANY** 

LAKEWOOD BRICK & TILE COMPANY

LOCKHEED MARTIN

LUTHERAN MEDICAL CENTER MANUFACTURER'S EDGE MARTIN MARIETTA

MARTIN / MARTIN CONSULTING ENGINEERS

MAXSON ENGINEERING

MIDFIRST BANK

MOLSON COORS BEVERAGE COMPANY

NATIONAL RENEWABLE ENERGY LABORATORY (NREL)

**NORRIS DESIGN** 

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PILATUS BUSINESS AIRCRAFT PRECISION SIGN COMPANY

RED ROCKS COMMUNITY COLLEGE

REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT (RTD)

RYAN COMPANIES

**SCHEMMER** 

SOCIAL CAPITAL

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**SWINERTON** 

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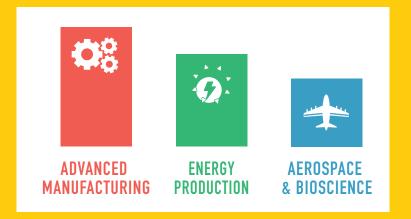


### 2024 YEAR IN REVIEW



#### **ECODEVO SUCCESS**

#### **INDUSTRY RANKINGS**





# \$220 M NEW ESTIMATED ANNUAL PAYROLL



#### **5 YEAR RECAP**

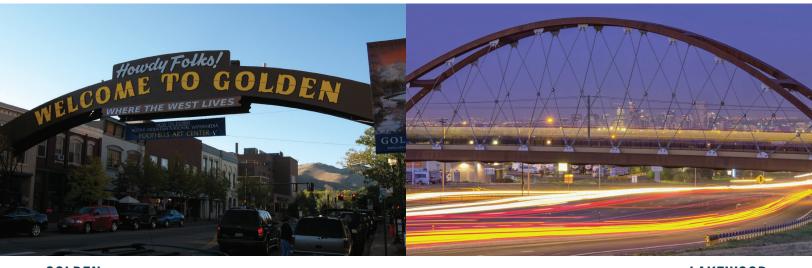
\$1B ANNUAL PAYROLL CREATED



10,090 JOBS CREATED



\$4.94B CAPEX CREATED



GOLDEN LAKEWOOD



ARVADA WHEAT RIDGE



WESTMINSTER EDGEWATER

#### **JEFFERSON COUNTY ADVANTAGES**

#### **HIGHLY EDUCATED WORKFORCE**

Jefferson County's highly educated workforce is growing. Residents in Jeffco with a bachelor's degree or higher increased by more than 12% from 2022 - 2024. Today, 52.9% of the residents in Jefferson County have a bachelor's degree or higher, helping position Colorado as the nation's 2nd most educated workforce. The county ranks 44th in the nation for the highest concentration of residents with a bachelor's degree.

#### **BUSINESS-FRIENDLY TAX ENVIRONMENT**

Companies in Jefferson County enjoy a pro-business tax climate that rewards investment, growth, and innovation. With a low tax environment at the state and local levels, the county continues to provide a business-friendly environment.

#### **CENTER OF EXCELLENCE**

Jefferson County is at the epicenter of innovation and entrepreneurial activity. The county's prominent role as a high-tech leader is greatly enhanced by the presence of the National Renewable Energy Laboratory and the Colorado School of Mines.

#### STRATEGIC LOCATION

With its close proximity to Denver International Airport and major transportation corridors, Jefferson County's integrated, cutting-edge infrastructure helps businesses efficiently reach markets locally and internationally.

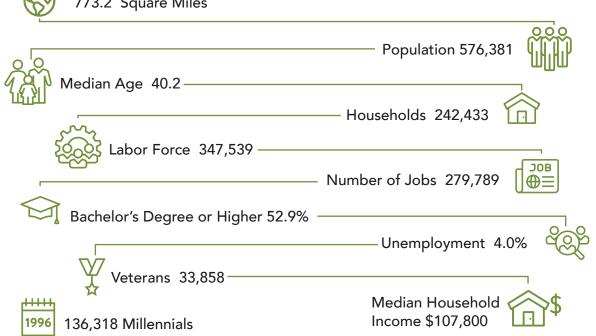
#### **UNMATCHED QUALITY OF LIFE**

With over 300 days of sunshine and diverse recreational opportunities, Jefferson County is one of the most active and healthiest regions in the country.

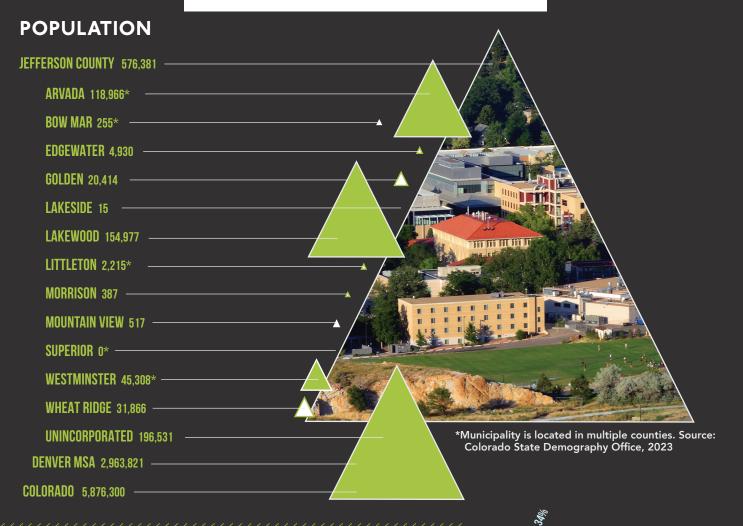
#### KEY JEFFERSON COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

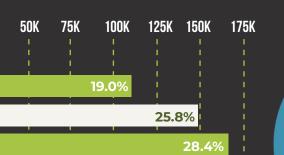


773.2 Square Miles



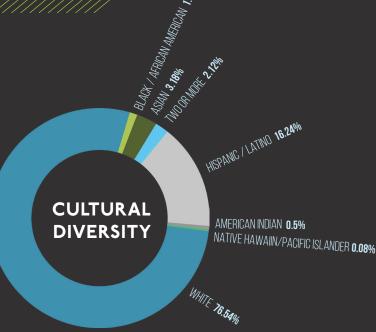
#### **POPULATION**





19.0%

**AGE DISTRIBUTION** 



Source: Colorado State

Demography Office, 2023

 MEDIAN AGE
 40.2

 MALE
 50.4%

 FEMALE
 49.6%

**7.8**%

Note: Percentages may not add due to rounding. Source: Colorado State Demography Office, 2023

65+

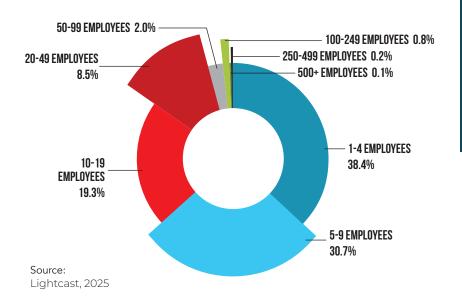
45-64

25-44

18-24

0-17

#### **BUSINESS SIZE**



**LOCKHEED MARTIN** 

**TERUMO BCT, INC.** 

# **BUSINESS &** INDUSTRY

#### **2024 JEFFERSON COUNTY**

GROSS Regional Product	EXPORTS
\$45 79 R	\$46.40 F

**IMPORTS** \$51.63 B **OUTPUT PER** WORKER \$202.584

Source: Lightcast & **IMPLAN**, 2024

#### TOP PRIMARY EMPLOYERS

NATIONAL RENEWABLE ENERGY LAB.

MOLSON COORS BEVERAGE COMPANY

**COMMONSPIRIT - ST. ANTHONY HOSPITAL** 

INTERMOUNTAIN HEALTH - LUTHERAN MEDICAL

#### PRODUCT/SERVICE

Aerospace & Defense Federal Research Laboratory

**Beverages** Healthcare

Healthcare

Medical Devices & Technology

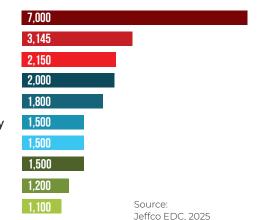
FIRSTBANK HOLDING CO. OF COLORADO **Financial Services** 

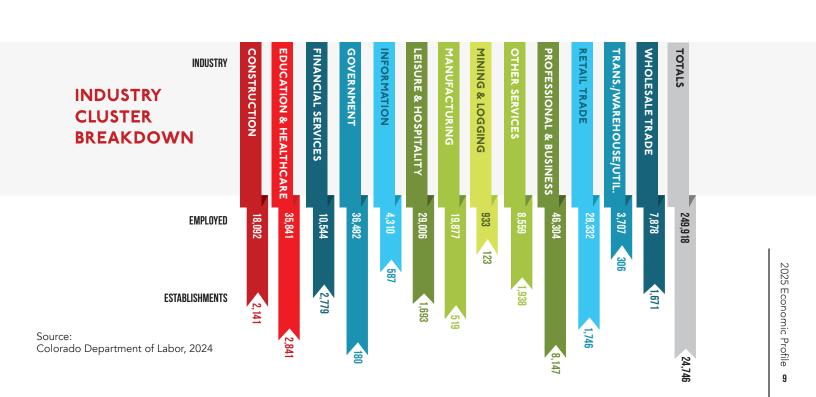
**BAE SYSTEMS** Aerospace

COORSTEK Ceramic Component Mfg.

**GPS Systems** TRIMBLE, INC.

#### **EMPLOYEES**





# **INDUSTRY** CLUSTER **ECOSYSTEM**



#### **PRIMARY CLUSTERS**



#### ADVANCED **MANUFACTURING**

**COMPANIES: 596** JOBS: 21.204 AVERAGE WAGE: \$135.866 **LOCATION QUOTIENT: 0.97 JOBS MULTIPLIER: 2.35** 



#### **AEROSPACE**

**COMPANIES: 428** JOBS: 12.131 **AVERAGE WAGE: \$182,772 LOCATION QUOTIENT: 4.6 JOBS MULTIPLIER: 2.1** 



#### AVIATION

**COMPANIES: 49** JOBS: 550 **AVERAGE WAGE: \$123,400 LOCATION QUOTIENT: 0.32 JOBS MULTIPLIER: 2.41** 



#### BEVERAGE **PRODUCTION**

**COMPANIES: 50** JOBS: 2.762 **AVERAGE WAGE: \$100.300 LOCATION QUOTIENT: 3.47 JOBS MULTIPLIER: 2.47** 



#### **BIOSCIENCE**

**COMPANIES: 426** JOBS: 8.906 AVERAGE WAGE: \$154.700 **LOCATION QUOTIENT: 2.41 JOBS MULTIPLIER: 2.16** 



#### **ENERGY**

COMPANIES: 2.531 JOBS: 27.627 AVERAGE WAGE: \$129.900 **LOCATION QUOTIENT: 1.93 JOBS MULTIPLIER: 8.57** 



#### IT AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS

COMPANIES: 3,352 JOBS: 24,725 **AVERAGE WAGE: \$139,600 LOCATION QUOTIENT: 1.56 JOBS MULTIPLIER: 3.88** 



#### RED "RESEARCH, **ENGINEERING, & DESIGN"**

**COMPANIES: 1,030** JOBS: 12,098 **AVERAGE WAGE: \$139,400 LOCATION QUOTIENT: 2.17 JOBS MULTIPLIER: 2.04** 

#### **TARGET SUBCLUSTERS**



#### CLEANTECH

**COMPANIES: 1,246** JOBS: 13.741 **AVERAGE WAGE: \$139.500 LOCATION QUOTIENT: 2.33 JOBS MULTIPLIER: 2.41** 



#### **ELECTRONICS**

**COMPANIES: 391** JOBS: 5.177 **AVERAGE WAGE: \$149.500 LOCATION QUOTIENT: 1.49 JOBS MULTIPLIER: 4.70** 



#### **ENGINEERING-INTENSIVE MANUFACTURING**

**COMPANIES: 168** JOBS: 11.987 AVERAGE WAGE: \$173.700 **LOCATION QUOTIENT: 1.69 JOBS MULTIPLIER: 2.38** 



#### MEDICAL DEVICE MANUFACTURING

**COMPANIES: 34** JOBS: 3.005

**AVERAGE WAGE: \$147.200 LOCATION QUOTIENT: 3.66 JOBS MULTIPLIER: 1.75** 



# INNOVATION ECOSYSTEM

Jefferson county is at the epicenter of innovation and entrepreneurial activity. The county's high-tech industry hub is fueled by its highly educated workforce, world-renowned research institutions, and large concentration of companies in advanced industries that are driving technology development. Jefferson County continues to be at the top of innovation rankings, including:

- #1 Bioscience Employment Concentration\*
- #3 Private Sector Aerospace Employment\*
- #15 Venture Capital per \$10k GDP\*\*
- #38 Patents Granted per Capita\*\*
- #58 GDP per Capita\*\*

96th Percentile for Advanced Industry Employment97th Percentile for Industry Clusters with LQ Above 1.099th Percentile for SBIR Grants per Capita

\*Source: Metro Denver EDC, 2023 (Metro Denver rankings) \*\*Source: U.S. EDA, 2022 Rankings based on 3,221 U.S. counties

# USDIO

Metro Denver is home to the Rocky Mountain Regional USPTO office, one of just five regional offices in the nation.

30+

With more than 30 federal laboratories, Colorado has one of the highest per capita concentrations of federally-funded science, research, and engineering facilities in the nation.

## LAUNCHED SLINGSHOT RESOURCE WEBSITE

A digital connected playground where the building blocks of your business's future are right at your fingertips.

#### **ECOSYSTEM ASSETS**



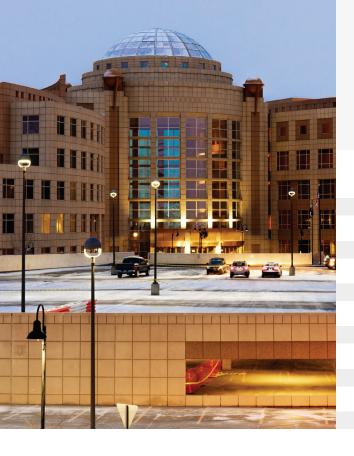
Jefferson County is home to the National Renewable Energy Laboratory (NREL), which is the nation's premier federal laboratory for renewable energy and energy efficient R&D. With nearly 700 patents issued for NREL technologies, the lab continues to be a global leader for R&D and innovation. The economic impact of the lab topped \$1.9 billion nationwide in FY 2023.



The Colorado School of Mines (Mines) continues to rank as one of the top engineering schools in the nation. With its recently awarded Carnegie R1 Classification, the university is among the top 4% of research institutions in the nation. Since 2016, research funding at Mines as grown 45%. In 2023, Mines was awarded over \$100 million for research.

# 2025 Economic Profile

# **TAXES**



#### **LOCAL & STATE**

ASSESSMENT RATIOS - 2024 T	AX YEAR*———
Single-Family Residential	6.7%
Multi-Family Residential	6.7%
Commercial/Industrial	27.9%
Vacant Land	27.9%
<b>Business Personal Property</b>	27.9%
2025 MILL RATES	
Jefferson County	26.978
City/Special Districts	Varies by location
STATE INCOME TAX	
Personal Income Tax	4.40%
Corporate Income Tax	4.40%

 $<sup>^{\</sup>star}\text{The passage of SB22-238}$  changes the assessment rates for tax years 2023, 2024, & 2025.

SALES TAX RATE	STATE	CITY	COUNTY*	RTD/CD**	TOTAL
ARVADA	2.9	3.46	0.5	1.1	7.96
<b>EDGEWATER</b>	2.9	3.50	0.5	1.1	8.00
GOLDEN	2.9	3.00	0.5	1.1	7.50
LAKESIDE	2.9	2.80	0.5	1.1	7.30
LAKEWOOD	2.9	3.00	0.5	1.1	7.50
MORRISON	2.9	3.75	0.5	1.1	8.25
MOUNTAIN VIEW	2.9	4.00	0.5	1.1	8.50
SUPERIOR	2.9	3.78	0.5	1.1	8.28
WESTMINSTER	2.9	3.85	0.5	1.1	8.35
WHEAT RIDGE	2.9	3.50	0.5	1.1	8.00
UNINCORPORATED	2.9	N/A	0.5	1.1	4.50

\*Jeffco Open Space

#### **BUSINESS PERSONAL PROPERTY TAX**

Jefferson County realizes the importance of growing its primary employment base to strengthen the local economy. As a benefit to the region's businesses, the county has eliminated its portion of the business personal property tax (BPPT) to show the business community that it values their business and understands that decreasing the overall tax burden will yield more jobs and capital investment. The elimination only applies to the county's portion of its BPPT, payable to the general fund, and does not apply to other funds, including the developmental disability, library, R1 school district, urban renewal, and other special district funds.

#### **COLORADO TAX ADVANTAGES**

Colorado does not charge an inventory, estate, or inheritance tax.

#### OCCUPATIONAL HEAD TAX

Jefferson County does not charge an occupational head tax to employers and employees.

#### **RIGHT-TO-WORK**

Colorado is a modified right-to-work state, with the most progressive labor laws in the country. The Colorado Labor Peace Act requires two elections and approval from 75 percent of a company's workers before becoming unionized.

#### SINGLE-FACTOR TAX APPORTIONMENT

Colorado simplified its corporate income tax structure in 2008 changing from multiple-factor to single-factor apportionment, which assesses taxes on a company's sales in Colorado only.

<sup>\*\*</sup>Regional Transportation District/Cultural Facilities District



# WORKFORCE

**LABOR FORCE** 

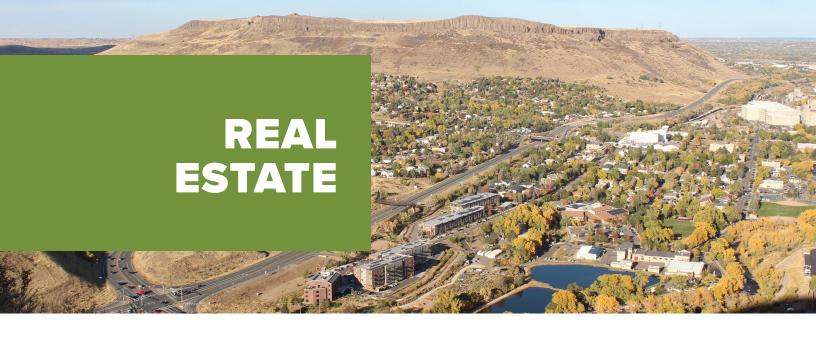
JEFFERSON COUNTY

METRO DENVER COLORADO

LABOR Force	UNEMPLOYMENT Rate	LABOR FORCE Participation rate
345,301	4.3%	72.6%
1,755,135	4.6%	71.5%
3,248,177	4.5%	68.8%

Source: CDLE, 2024

SOC CODE	TOP OCCUPATION GROUPS	2024 JOBS	2023-2024 % Change	AVG. HOURLY Earnings	AVG. ANNUAL Earnings	2024 LOCATION QUOTIENT
11-0000	MANAGEMENT	17,809	0%	\$68.58	\$142,652.73	0.86
13-0000	BUSINESS & FINANCIAL OPERATIONS	26,146	0%	\$43.89	\$91,294.08	1.45
15-0000	COMPUTER & MATHEMATICAL	12,368	0%	\$51.92	\$107,988.08	1.40
17-0000	ARCHITECTURE & ENGINEERING	9,869	0%	\$50.99	\$106,057.31	2.24
19-0000	LIFE, PHYSICAL & SOCIAL SCIENCE	4,473	1%	\$43.73	\$90,957.79	1.71
21-0000	COMMUNITY & SOCIAL SERVICE	5,341	2%	\$29.02	\$60,351.23	1.06
23-0000	LEGAL	2,476	0%	\$69.15	\$143,830.85	1.04
25-0000	EDUCATIONAL INSTRUCTION & LIBRARY	14,094	2%	\$29.92	\$62,242.22	0.89
27-0000	ARTS, DESIGN, ENTERTAINMENT, SPORTS & MEDIA	5,626	0%	\$36.50	\$75,919.03	1.10
29-0000	HEALTHCARE PRACTITIONERS & TECHNICAL	14,102	1%	\$53.54	\$111,358.10	0.87
31-0000	HEALTHCARE SUPPORT	10,089	2%	\$21.23	\$44,153.11	0.77
33-0000	PROTECTIVE SERVICE	5,761	0%	\$31.04	\$64,563.66	0.95
35-0000	FOOD PREPARATION & SERVING RELATED	25,380	(1%)	\$18.24	\$37,933.75	1.15
37-0000	BUILDING & GROUNDS CLEANING & MAINTENANCE	8,686	(2%)	\$19.76	\$41,093.95	0.91
39-0000	PERSONAL CARE & SERVICE	9,281	0%	\$20.50	\$42,645.86	1.20
41-0000	SALES & RELATED	29,746	(1%)	\$31.39	\$65,296.52	1.24
43-0000	OFFICE & ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT	26,716	(1%)	\$24.04	\$50,012.67	0.84
45-0000	FARMING, FISHING, & FORESTRY	517	(6%)	\$19.17	\$39,874.86	0.28
47-0000	CONSTRUCTION & EXTRACTION	14,755	(1%)	\$29.81	\$61,997.27	1.18
49-0000	INSTALLATION, MAINTENANCE, & REPAIR	9,560	1%	\$29.71	\$61,802.84	0.87
51-0000	PRODUCTION	10,000	(2%)	\$25.11	\$52,234.52	0.68
53-0000	TRANSPORTATION & MATERIAL MOVING	15,347	(1%)	\$23.27	\$48,405.33	0.64
55-0000	MILITARY ONLY	742	0%	\$19.68	\$40,942.70	0.49



#### **REAL ESTATE MARKET OVERVIEW -**

OFFICE	Inventory S.F.	% Vacant	Avg. Lease Rate / S.F.	New Const. S.F.	Under Const. S.F.
OFFICE	inventory 5.1.	70 Vacant	Avg. Lease Rate / 5.1.	14eW Collst. S.I .	- Crider Corist. S.i.
METRO DENVER	189,348,809	15.6%	\$24.59	1,743,571	1,875,994
JEFFCO	25,247,529	9.9%	\$21.62	169,000	40,000
INDUSTRIAL	Inventory S.F.	% Vacant	Avg. Lease Rate / S.F.	New Const. S.F.	Under Const. S.F.
METRO DENVER	252,568,231	7.5%	\$10.45	4,559,173	3,906,150
JEFFCO	23,286,696	3.6%	\$12.97	238,412	448,186
FLEX	Inventory S.F.	% Vacant	Avg. Lease Rate / S.F.	New Const. S.F.	Under Const. S.F.
METRO DENVER	36,610,958	6.9%	\$15.40	321,393	107,364
JEFFCO	10,960,213	2.1%	\$14.22	26,757	-

Source: CoStar, 2024

#### **UTILITY COSTS** -

ELECTRICITY	Colorado	U.S. Average
INDUSTRIAL	8.76 cents/kWh	8.21 cents/kWh
COMMERCIAL	11.75 cents/kWh	13.20 cents/kWh
NATURAL GAS	Colorado	U.S. Average
INDUSTRIAL	\$8.49/1000 cu. ft.	\$8.31/1000 cu. ft.
COMMERCIAL	\$10.34/1000 cu. ft.	\$11.07/1000 cu. ft.

Source: U.S Energy Information Administration, 2024

#### **CONSTRUCTION COST INDEX**

	Materials	Installation	Composite
ATLANTA	99.9	75.6	90.5
DALLAS	97.5	65.8	85.3
DENVER	100.0	76.3	90.9
PHOENIX	98.6	74.2	89.2
SAN FRANCISCO	106.3	163.7	128.4
SEATTLE	100.8	117.7	107.3
NATION	100.0	100.0	100.0

Source: Construction Cost Insights, Q3 2024



DEN is one of the country's newest airports and is the 3rd busiest airport in the nation and 6th busiest in the world. DEN served a record-breaking 82.3 million passengers in 2024. Home to 25 commercial carriers, the airport has 222 nonstop destinations, which includes 189 domestic destinations in 46 states, and 33 international destinations in 18 countries. The airport generates over \$36 billion for the region annually and has over 40,000 employees. DEN is the largest airport site in North America and the second-largest in the world. The airport operates on 53 square miles (34,000 acres) of land.

To meet future demand, the airport is currently working on its \$1.5 billion gate expansion project, which will add 39 new gates to accommodate a 30% increase in gate capacity for 100 million passengers a year.



#### ROCKY MOUNTAIN METROPOLITAN AIRPORT (BJC)

Located in the north region of Jefferson County, the Rocky Mountain Metropolitan Airport (RMMA) is the closest airport to both downtown Denver and Boulder. RMMA serves as a reliever airport to DEN and is the 3rd busiest airport in Colorado. The airport consists of approximately 1,700 acres of property, including more than 170 acres of shovel-ready land available for aviation development with direct access to runway operations. Established in 1960, RMMA has been self-supported for over 45 years, and continues to contribute to provide many economic development benefits for the region, including:

- An on-site U.S. customs office operating 24 hours per day
- No charge on landing fees
- Two fixed-base operators
- Is a designated Enterprise Zone and Foreign Trade Zone
- Charter jet services with JSX to six nonstop destinations (Burbank, Dallas, Las Vegas, Salt Lake City, Scottsdale and Taos).
- And is home to over 50 businesses and 400 based aircraft.

# **TRANSPORTATION**

# REGIONAL TRANSPORTATION DISTRICT (RTD) FASTRACKS PROJECT

The nation's largest voter-approved transit expansion program, is a \$7.4 billion project that will provide 122 miles of commuter/light rail with 57 stations and 18 miles of bus rapid transit for easy, convenient connections across metro Denver. RTD FasTracks serves Jefferson County with the W and G Lines.

#### **HIGHWAYS**

Interstate 70 is a major east/west transportation corridor that runs through Jefferson County and provides access to major highways. State Highway C-470 connects I-70 to the county, as well as I-25 to the south, which is the major north/south interstate through Colorado.

The Jefferson Parkway is the last 10-mile segment of the roadway needed to complete the beltway around metro Denver, currently consisting of E-470, C-470, and the Northwest Parkway. Completion of the beltway is expected to influence residential and non-residential development along the Parkway as regional access improves.



#### **COLORADO CHRISTIAN UNIVERSITY (CCU)**

Colorado Christian University (CCU) is a premier interdenominational Christian institution located in Lakewood, Colorado. The university's core curriculum is ranked in the top 2% of colleges nationwide by the American Council of Trustees and Alumni (ACTA) for its rigorous academic standards. CCU offers over 200 academic program options across various disciplines. Additionally, they provide undergraduate and graduate degree programs to over 8,200 adult learners worldwide.

#### COLORADO SCHOOL OF MINES (MINES)

Colorado School of Mines (Mines) is a renowned public research university located in Golden, Colorado. Mines focuses on the responsible stewardship of the earth and its resources. It has a prestigious Research (R1) classification by the Carnegie Classification of Institutions of Higher Education. Mines is ranked #1 Best Public University in Colorado and the #1 Best College for Computer Science in Colorado. Additionally, it holds the #2 spot for Petroleum Engineering and is ranked #3 Engineering school in the nation.

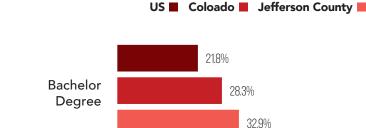
#### RED ROCKS COMMUNITY COLLEGE (RRCC)

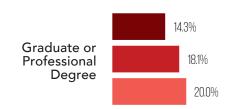
Red Rocks Community College (RRCC) offers an impressive array of over 300 programs and 650 courses. By partnering with Warren Tech, RRCC provides a variety of two-year degrees and professional certifications. Notably, RRCC hosts the second largest OSHA training center in the country, the Rocky Mountain Education Center (RMEC). RRCC has received numerous accolades, including being named a Military Friendly School and earning recognition for its innovative programs in health sciences and technology.

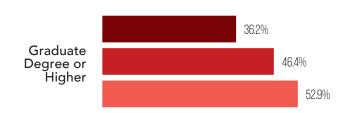
#### ROCKY MOUNTAIN COLLEGE OF ART & DESIGN (RMCAD)

Rocky Mountain College of Art and Design (RMCAD) is recognized as one of the top art and design schools in the nation, attracting students from around the world. RMCAD is regionally accredited by the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) and is a member of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools. It is also accredited by the National Association of Schools of Art and Design (NASAD) and the Council of Interior Design Accreditation (CIDA). RMCAD offers a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in various disciplines.

#### **EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT** PERCENT OF TOTAL - 25 YEARS AND OVER







Source: U.S. Census Bureau ACS, 2023

#### MOST COMMON BACHELOR DEGREES AWARDED

- Mechanical Engineering (299 Degrees)
- Computer Science (144 Degrees)
- Chemical Engineering (144 Degrees)

Source: The Integrated Postsecondary Education Data System (IPEDS), 2022



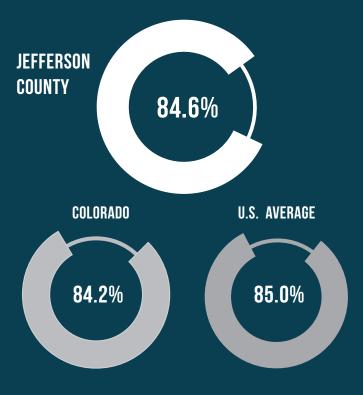
Jeffco Public Schools, Colorado's second largest school district, has been providing educational excellence for over 70 years. During the 2023-2024 school year, the district served 75,000 students at over 150 schools across Jefferson County.

#### **PUBLIC EDUCATION**

PRESCHOOLS*	60
ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS	72
ELEMENTARY K-8	6
MIDDLE SCHOOLS	18
HIGH SCHOOLS	17
OPTION/SPECIAL SCHOOLS	12
CHARTER SCHOOLS	18
ONLINE SCHOOLS	2
CAREER/TECH ED SCHOOLS	1 SCHOOL, 3 CAMPUSES
OUTDOOR LABORATORY SCHOOLS	2
TOTAL 2023-2024 ENROLLMENT	75,495
STAFF	10,326
TEACHERS	4,573
STUDENT-TO-TEACHER RATIO	17:1
GRADUATION RATE	84.6%

<sup>\*</sup>Located at elementary schools | Source: Colorado Department of Education & Jeffco Public Schools, 2024

#### HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION STATISTICS

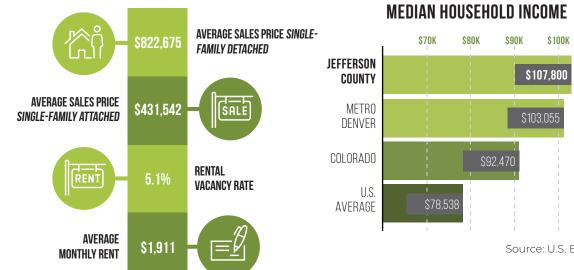


#### **JEFFCO PRIVATE OCCUPATIONAL SCHOOLS**

- Spartan College of Aeronautics & **Technology**
- **US Truck Driving School**
- **Colorado School of Trades**
- **Denver Dental Assistant School**
- **Macintosh Real Estate School**
- **Rocky Mountain Laser College**
- **American Dream Real Estate** School
- **Colorado School of Healing Arts**



#### **JEFFERSON COUNTY HOUSING COSTS**



\$80K \$90K \$85,164 \$89,297

PER CAPITA INCOME

Source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis, 2023

\$69,810

Source: Denver Metro Association of Realtors Denver Metro Apartment Vacancy Survey

#### COST OF LIVING INDEX —

	COMPOSITE	GROCERY	HOUSING	UTILITIES	TRANSPORTATION	HEALTHCARE	MISC. GOODS & SERVICES
AUSTIN	97.4	96.6	104.1	98.8	94.6	98.9	92.3
CHICAGO	114.8	104.1	138.6	94.4	111.8	109.7	106.8
DENVER	108.6	101.3	123.4	89.5	94.5	109.9	107.8
DALLAS	101.7	98.8	95.0	115.9	91.0	104.8	107.5
PHOENIX	106.3	102.7	115.6	106.8	105.2	91.9	102.3
PORTLAND	116.6	107.2	145.9	86.7	127.1	110.8	102.0

Source: C2ER, Q4 2024

#### INTERMOUNTAIN HEALTH — LUTHERAN MEDICAL CENTER

Located in Wheat Ridge, Colorado, Intermountain Health Lutheran Medical Center is a distinguished healthcare facility known for its exceptional patient care and community service. Lutheran Medical Center has been consistently recognized as one of the top 100 hospitals in the nation by Truven Health Analytics. It is also one of the nine Intermountain Health hospitals named to Newsweek's 2024 rankings of the World's Best Hospitals. The hospital offers a wide range of services, including specialized cancer care through its Cancer Centers of Colorado, which is accredited by the National Accreditation Program for Breast Centers and the American College of Radiology.

In 2022, the Lutheran Foundation's Comprehensive Campaign achieved 79% of its \$12 million goal, demonstrating strong community support and commitment to healthcare improvements. The new Intermountain Health Lutheran Hospital opened in 2024, features state-of-the-art facilities, including a rooftop helipad, energy-efficient design, and expanded emergency and critical care services. These factors contribute to Lutheran Medical Center's reputation as a leading healthcare provider, offering high-quality, patient-centered care.

#### COMMONSPIRIT — St. Anthony Hospital

CommonSpirit St. Anthony Hospital is a renowned healthcare facility located in Lakewood, Colorado. It is part of the CommonSpirit Health system, one of the largest nonprofit health systems in the United States. St. Anthony Hospital is known for its comprehensive care and commitment to patient safety and quality.

In 2024, St. Anthony Hospital received a prestigious 5-star rating from the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS). This rating places it among the top 10% of hospitals nationwide, based on quality measures such as safety of care, mortality, patient experience, readmission rates, and timely and effective care. The hospital has consistently earned an 'A' grade from the Leapfrog Group for its commitment to patient safety and quality care.

As a Level I Trauma Center and Comprehensive Stroke Center, St. Anthony Hospital offers advanced medical services and specialized care that are on par with leading hospitals in the region. Like Intermountain Health Lutheran Medical Center, St. Anthony Hospital is deeply involved in community support and healthcare innovation, contributing significantly to the health and well-being of the communities it serves.

#### KAISER PERMANENTE

One of the largest not-for-profit health plans serves Jefferson County with 32 medical offices throughout Colorado, including facilities in Arvada, Lakewood, Westminster, Wheat Ridge, and unincorporated areas. Kaiser Permanente is deeply involved in the local community, offering various health and wellness programs, educational workshops, and preventive care to promote community health. They are committed to maintaining high standards of quality and safety and have received numerous accolades.

# JEFFERSON COUNTY OPEN SPACE PROGRAM

Jefferson County Open Space (JCOS) is a nationally recognized program funded by a 0.5% sales tax on the county's retail sales. The JCOS Program has made significant land acquisitions to enhance public access to natural areas and preserve open spaces. One notable recent acquisition is the Elk-Bergen Property, finalized in November 2024. This acquisition connects Denver Mountain Parks and JCOS properties, creating over 4,000 acres of contiguous public land. This area, located near Evergreen, Colorado, is home to diverse wildlife and offers expanded outdoor recreational opportunities.

ACCORDING TO THE 2024 UNITED HEALTH Foundation Report, Colorado Ranks:

1st: Lowest Obesity Rate

1st: Physical Activity

1st: Lowest High Blood Pressure Rate

# COLORADO CLIMATE 301 DAYS OF SUNSHINE PER YEAR ANNUAL AVG. PRECIPITATION FUNDATION REPURI, COLORADO RANKS: 2nd: Lowest Cardiovascular Disease 3rd: Sufficient Sleep 2nd: Lowest Cardiovascular Disease 3rd: Sufficient Sleep

# OPENING THE FUTURE FOR BUSINESS IN **JEFFERSON COUNTY, COLORADO**

