



COLORADO [CO]

Capital: Denver
 Area: 104,095 sq. mi.
 Population: 5,029,196
 Pop. density: 49.3/ sq. mi.
 Nickname: "Centennial State"
 State motto: "Nil Sine Numine" ("Nothing Without Providence")
 Governor: John Hickenlooper (D)
 U.S. Senators: Mark Udall (D), Michael F. Bennet (D)



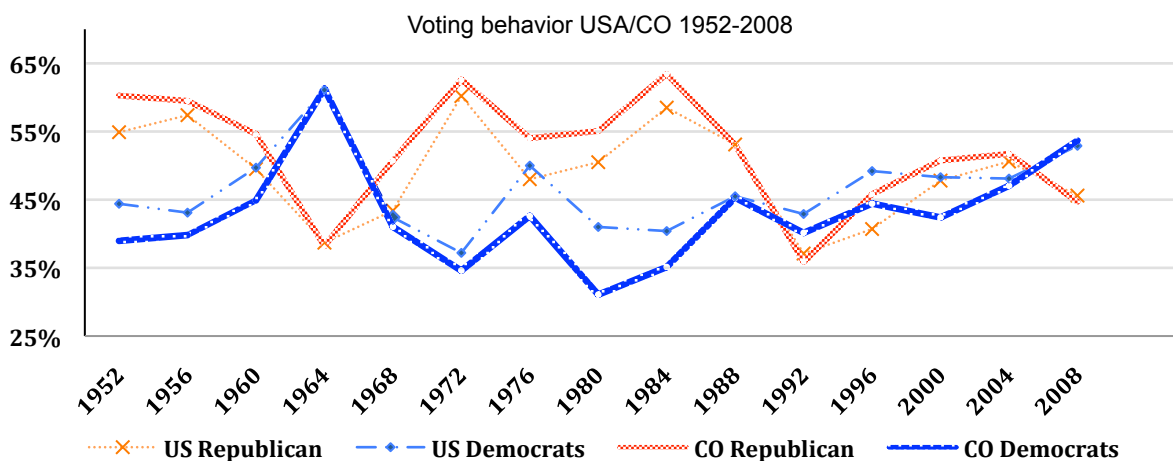
"Colorado" *Encyclopædia Britannica*. *Encyclopædia Britannica Online*. Encyclopædia Britannica Inc., 2012. Web. April 25, 2012. <<http://www.britannica.com/EBchecked/topic/126432/Colorado>>.



I. VOTING BEHAVIOR:

"Colorado voters have elected about as many Democrats as Republicans to Congress. Voters in Denver and Pueblo usually support Democrats. Voters in Denver's suburbs and in northeastern Colorado generally favor Republicans. Colorado has favored Republicans more often than Democrats in presidential elections"

Resource: *World Book 2008*



Resource: "Election Information" *Office of the Clerk*. February 2008. April 25, 2012. <http://clerk.house.gov/member_info/electioninfo/index.aspx>

VOTING RATES

	Percent voted (citizen) US	Percent voted (citizen) CO
2000	50.3%	54.1%
2004	55.7%	61.8%
2008	57.1%	64.5%

Resource: US Census Bureau, ed. (2012). *Statistical Abstract of the United States: 2012*. April 25, 2012. <<http://www.census.gov/prod/2011pubs/12statab/election.pdf>>

Colorado is one of the nation's top-10 fastest growing states. Its 2010 population of 5 million grew 16.9 percent between 2000 and 2010, more than one and a half of the nation's growth rate of 9.7 percent during that time period. Colorado has a higher percentage of both the Hispanic and non-Hispanic white-alone populations than the nation as a whole, according to U.S. Census Bureau statistics. About 64.5 percent of Colorado's citizens cast a ballot in the 2008 general election, a higher rate than the national figure of 57.1 percent.

More information at: <http://www.census.gov/population/www/socdemo/voting.html>



II. DEMOGRAPHICS

Selected Characteristics	Colorado	U.S.
Median age	35.4	36.4
Women	49.9%	50.8%
White persons, not Hispanic	70.0%	63.7%
Black persons	4.0%	12.6%
Hispanic or Latino	20.7%	16.3%
Median household income	\$56,456	\$51,914
Foreign born	9.8%	12.7%
Persons below poverty	12.2%	13.8%
Bachelor's degree or higher (age 25+)	35.9%	27.9%
Median home value	\$236,600	\$188,400

Resource: US Census Bureau, ed. (2012). *State and County QuickFacts*. 17. January 2012. April 25, 2012.
<http://quickfacts.census.gov/qfd/states/08000.html>>



III. MORE RESOURCES

Government Information

The Official Website for the State Colorado: <http://www.colorado.gov/>

Governor of Colorado: <http://www.colorado.gov/governor/>

Elected Officials in U.S. Senate – Colorado:

http://www.senate.gov/general/contact_information/senators_cfm.cfm?State=CO

Elected Officials in U.S. House of Representatives – Colorado: http://www.house.gov/representatives/#state_ca

Elections 2012

Politics 1 – Colorado Directory: <http://www.politics1.com/co.htm>

The Green Papers – Colorado 2012 General Elections: <http://www.thegreenpapers.com/G12/CO>

My Time to Vote: <http://elections.mytimetovote.com/dates/colorado.html>

Secretary of State – Colorado: <http://www.sos.state.co.us/pubs/elections/main.htm>

Statistics

Quick Facts from the US Census Bureau – Colorado: <http://quickfacts.census.gov/qfd/states/08000.html>

Election 2008 (Voting and Registration): <http://www.census.gov/hhes/www/socdemo/voting/index.html>

Polling Report – Collection of National Polling Results: <http://www.pollingreport.com/>

Gallup – America's largest Polling Institute: <http://www.gallup.com/poll/election.aspx>

Media

General Media Collection by the U.S. Embassy: <http://usa.usembassy.de/media.htm>

Local newspapers

News Link, newspapers: <http://www.newslink.org/conews.html>

U.S. Newspapers List (USNPL): <http://www.usnpl.com/conews.php>

Local radio stations

News Link, radio stations: <http://www.newslink.org/coradi.html>

On the Radio: <http://www.ontheradio.net/states/colorado.aspx>

General Information

Infoplease – Colorado: <http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108189.html>

50states.com – Colorado: <http://www.50states.com/colorado.htm>

Official Tourism Website – Colorado: <http://colorado.com/>

Facebook – Visit Colorado: <http://www.facebook.com/visitcolorado>

Web 2.0-Representation of the State and Parties

	Democratic Party	Republican Party
Official website:	http://www.coloradodems.org/	http://www.cologop.org/
Facebook:	http://www.facebook.com/coloradodems	http://www.facebook.com/cologop
YouTube:	http://www.youtube.com/user/coloradodems	http://www.youtube.com/user/ColoGOP
Twitter:	http://twitter.com/coloradodems	http://twitter.com/ColoGOP