

*Colorado*

# COLORADO

## Colorado: some state symbols



flag



bird: lark bunting

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seal



flower: Colorado blue columbine

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tree: Colorado blue spruce

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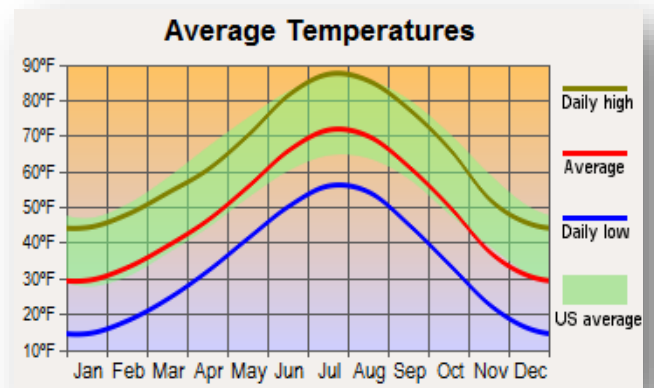
## COLORADO – CLIMATE

<https://www.britannica.com/place/Colorado/Climate>

Colorado may be divided into three climatic regions that largely reflect differences in elevation and proximity to the major mountain ranges: the eastern plains, the Colorado Piedmont, and the Rocky Mountains and the Colorado Plateau in the west. Summer temperatures on the plains average in the mid-70s F (about 24 °C) for July and August; daily minimum and maximum temperatures may vary as much as 40–50 °F (22–28 °C), although the general variation is about 25 °F (14 °C). Winters are dry, cold, windy, and generally harsh. The plains form a playground for the wind, and, though snowfall is generally light, the winter blizzard can become a dread element for both people and animals. Average January nighttime low temperatures range from about 10 to about 30 °F (–12 to –1 °C), with daily highs averaging from the mid-30s to approximately 50 °F (about –2 to 10 °C). Annual precipitation is erratic, ranging from about 15 to 20 inches (380 to 510 mm); nearly three-fourths of it falls during summer, and hail is frequent. There is less precipitation annually in the Colorado Piedmont than on the plains; less than three-fourths of it falls in summer, mostly in thunderstorms. July temperatures in Denver average in the low 70s F (about 23 °C); January temperatures, about 30 °F (–1 °C). Short hot and cold spells climbing to 90 °F (32 °C) or falling below 10 °F, respectively, are not uncommon. The chinook—a dry descending winter airstream from the high mountains that is warmed by compression as it descends—often raises temperatures 30–40 °F (17–22 °C) in less than an hour, melts the snow cover, and can produce violent winds that have been recorded in excess of 100 miles (160 km) per hour.

## MAJOR CITIES:

North Colorado – Denver  
 West Colorado – Grand Junction  
 Middle Colorado – Colorado Springs  
 South Colorado – Durango



# CULTURAL ACTIVITIES

Click on these sites for more cultural activity ideas:

- <https://www.colorado.com/things-to-do>
- <https://www.tripadvisor.com/Attractions-g28927-Activities-Colorado.html>
- <https://www.visitgrandjunction.com/>

**Garden of the Gods – Colorado Springs**

<https://gardenofgods.com/>

**Cheyenne Mountain Zoo – Colorado Springs**

<https://www.cmzoo.org/>

**Denver Art Museum – Denver**

<https://www.denverartmuseum.org/en>

**Denver Ghost Tour – Denver**

<https://denvererrors.com/>

**Stanley Marketplace – Denver**

<https://stanleymarketplace.com/>

**Ouray Hot Springs – Ouray**

<https://ourayhotsprings.com/>

**Mesa Verde National Park – Durango**

<https://www.nps.gov/meve/index.htm>

**Rocky Mountain National Park – Estes Park**

<https://www.nps.gov/romo/index.htm>

**Pearl Street Mall – Boulder**

<https://boulderdowntown.com/>

**Pike's Peak – Colorado Springs**

<https://www.pikes-peak.com/>





# GROCERY SHOPPING

Safeway	Costco
King Soopers	City Market
Wal-Mart Supercenter	Mission Foods
Albertsons	City Market

**Click on this link for more grocery stores:**

<http://supermarketpage.com/state/CO/>



## SHOPPING MALLS

**Click on this link for a list of shopping malls:**

<https://mallseeker.com/colorado-malls.aspx>

## PHARMACIES

Walgreens	City Market
Walmart	CVS Pharmacy
King Soopers	

**Click here to locate other pharmacies:**

<https://www.goodrx.com/pharmacy-near-me/all/co>



# POST OFFICES / SHIPPING



Click here for more information:

<https://www.postofficehours.net/state/CO.html>



Click here for more information:

<https://local.fedex.com/en-us/co>

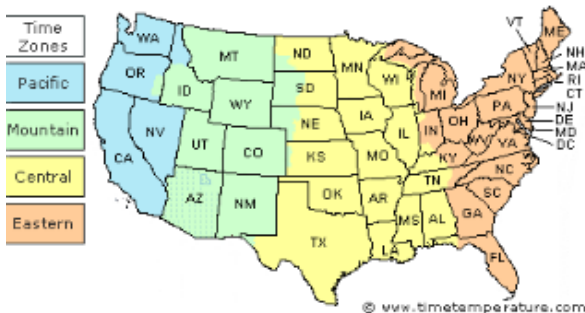


Click here for more information:

<https://locations.theupsstore.com/co>

## TIME ZONES

Colorado is officially in the Mountain Time Zone



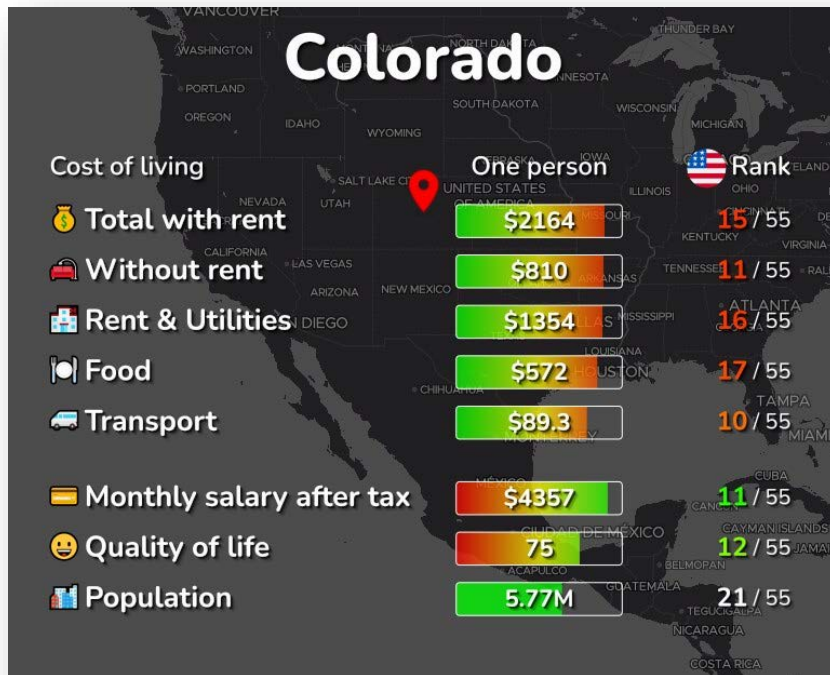
Click here for more information:

[https://www.timeandtemperature.com/tzus/Colorado\\_time\\_zone.shtml](https://www.timeandtemperature.com/tzus/Colorado_time_zone.shtml)

### Colorado Local Time Details

Time Zone Abbreviations	Mountain Standard Time - is abbreviated as MST Mountain Daylight Time - is abbreviated as MDT
UTC - GMT Offset	Colorado is GMT/UTC - 7h during Standard Time Colorado is GMT/UTC - 6h during Daylight Saving Time
Daylight Saving Time Usage	Colorado does utilize Daylight Saving Time.
Daylight Saving Start Date	Colorado starts Daylight Saving Time on Sunday March 12, 2023 at 2:00 AM local time.
Daylight Saving End Date	Colorado ends Daylight Saving Time on Sunday November 5, 2023 at 2:00 AM local time.

## COST OF LIVING IN COLORADO



Click here for more information:

<https://livingcost.org/cost/united-states/co>



## MINIMUM WAGE

State	2023 Minimum Wage	2023 Tipped Wage
CO	\$13.65	\$10.63

Click here for more information:

<https://www.dol.gov/agencies/whd/minimum-wage/state#co>

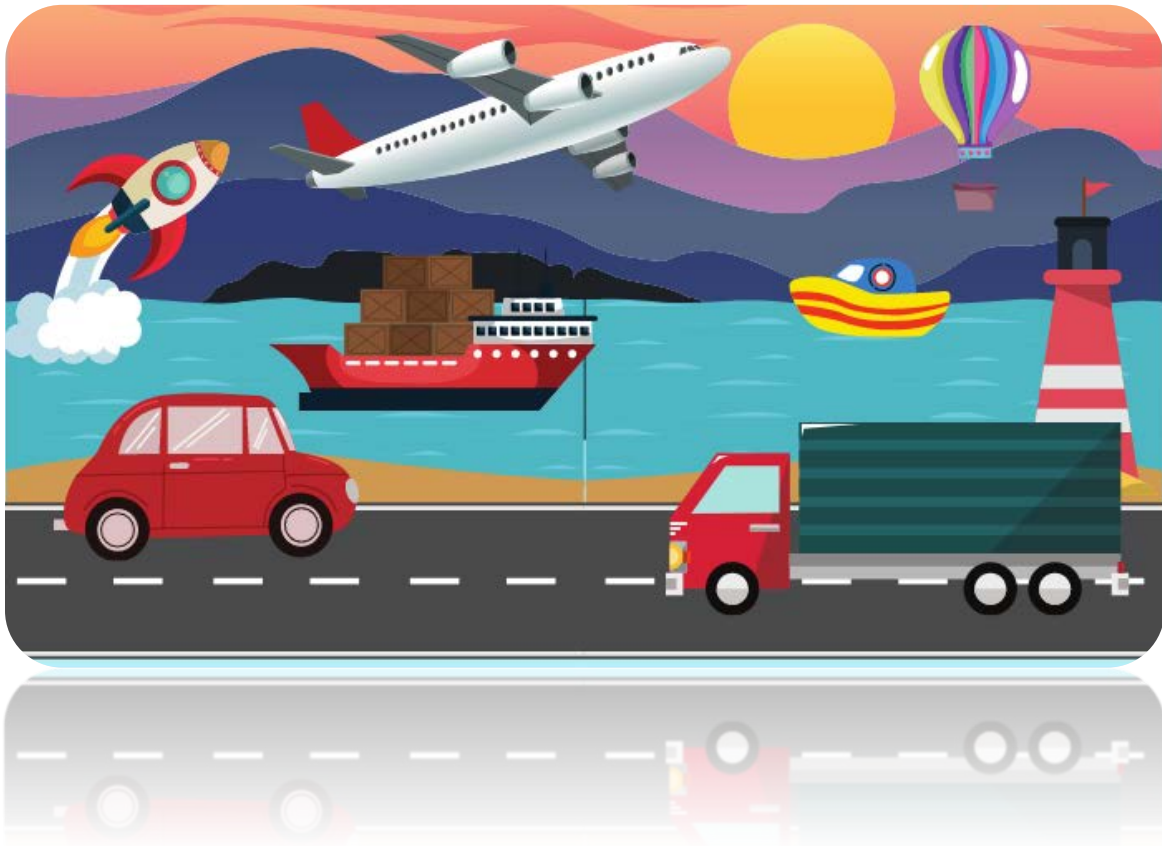
or

<https://www.dol.gov/agencies/whd/state/minimum-wage/tipped#Colorado>

## WORKERS' COMPENSATION

Click here for more information:

<https://cdle.colorado.gov/dwc>



## TRANSPORTATION SERVICES

**Click here for more information:**

<https://www.apta.com/research-technical-resources/public-transportation-links/colorado/>

**Ride Sharing:**

[www.uber.com](http://www.uber.com)

[www.lyft.com](http://www.lyft.com)

