

Prowers County



Demographic Profile

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Prowers County



Prowers County is located in the lower Southeastern corner of Colorado on the Kansas-Colorado border. The county is 1,645 square miles with an average elevation of 3,600 feet. Prowers County was established in 1889 and named after Legislator John Wesley Prowers. The Santa Fe Trail runs through Prowers County and served as an important route for commerce and cultural exchange in the development of the West in the mid 1800s. Prowers County is vastly populated with wildlife, which brings in several hunters and watchers each year. In addition to the wildlife, western atmosphere and historical sites, Prowers is rich in agriculture and renewable energy resources.

County Commissioners:

Eugene Millbrand
 Joe Marble
 Henry Schnabel

Legislative Districts:

Congressional District: 4
 Senate District: 1
 House District: 64

County Seat: Lamar

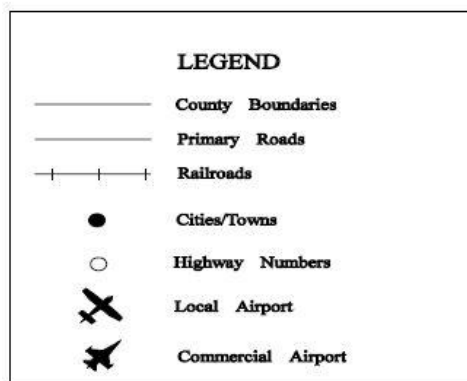
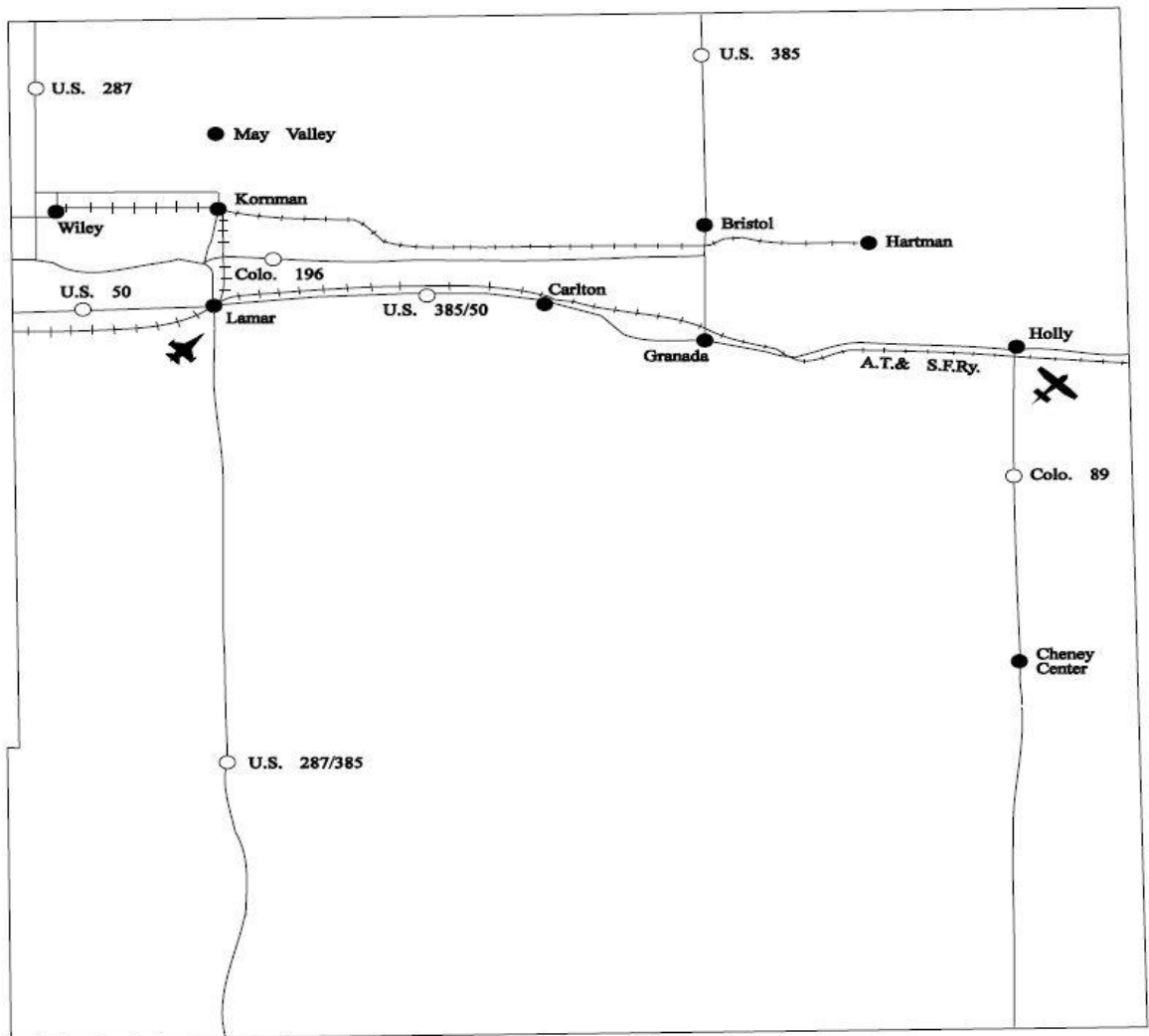
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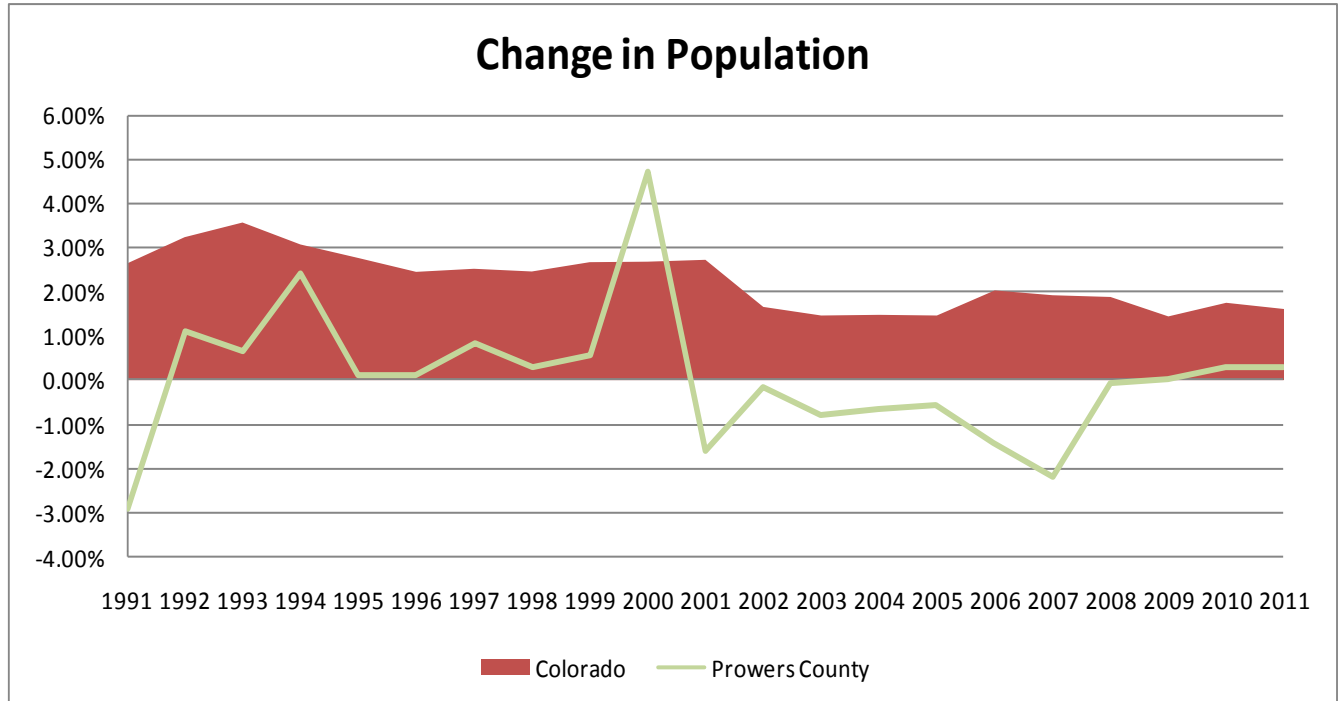
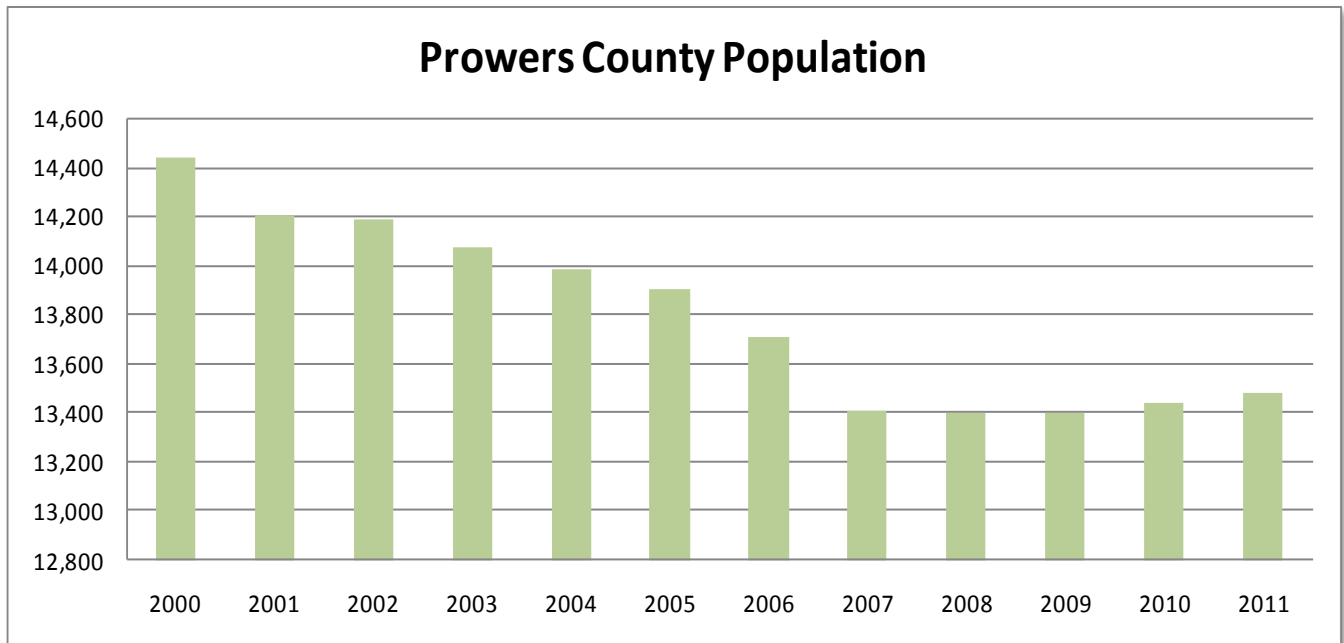
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Transportation



Population

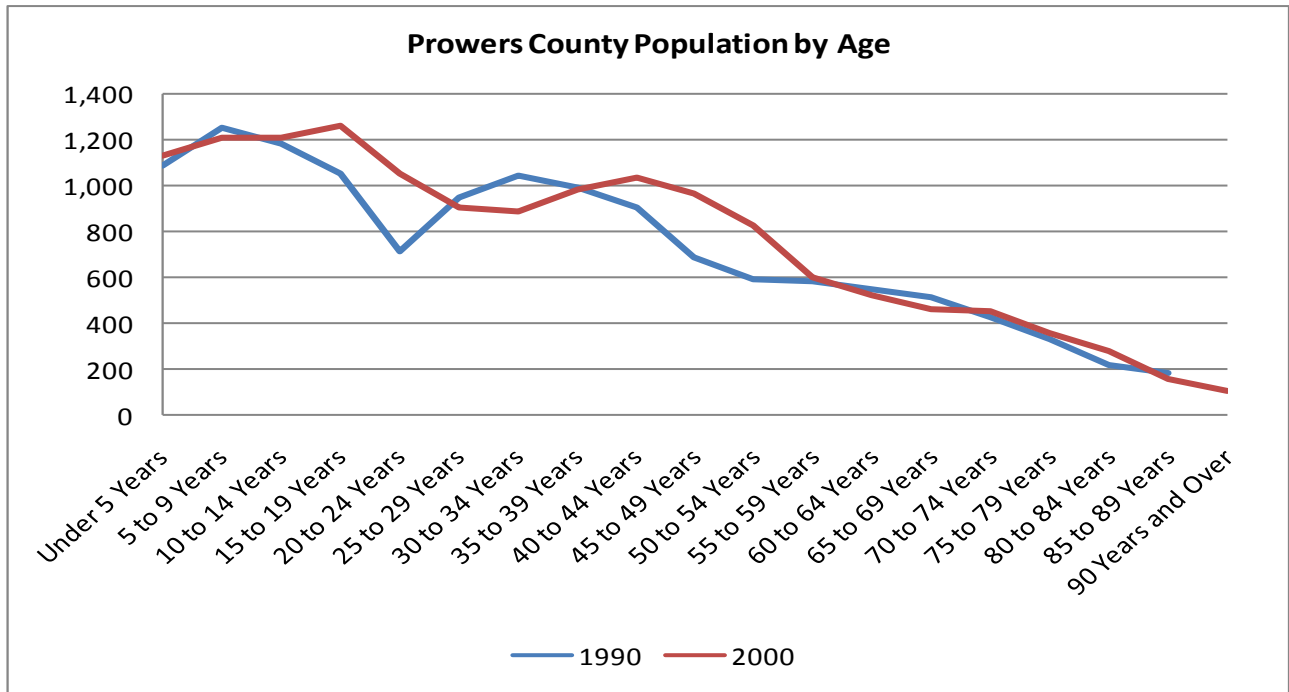
The Department of Local Affairs estimates the 2011 population of Prowers County at 13,484, which is approximately .26% of the State's population. In the last ten years, Prowers County's population has decreased approximately 5%, while the state saw an 18% increase.



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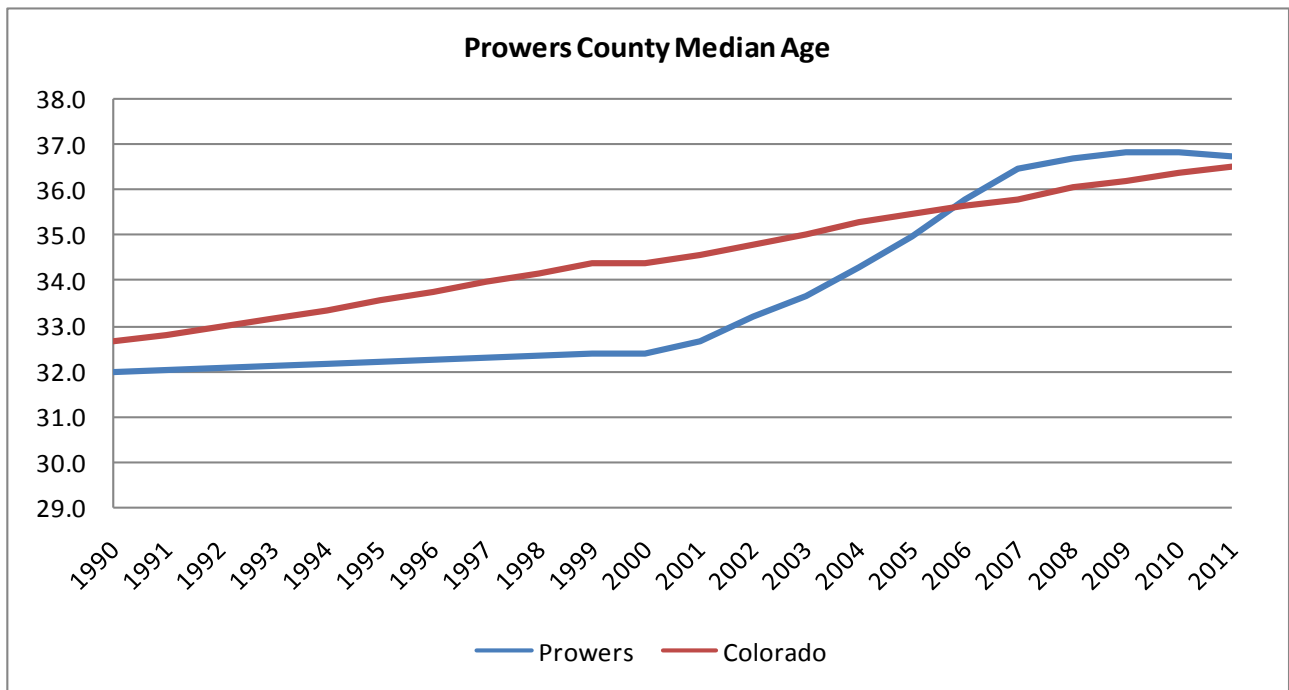
Population

Population by Age



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Estimated Median Age



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Population

Population by Community

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Granada	639	632	629	619	606	604	597	584	580	577
Hartman	111	110	109	108	108	108	105	103	102	101
Holly	1,046	1,034	1,029	1,017	996	985	964	945	961	951
Lamar	8,845	8,719	8,664	8,548	8,385	8,311	8,153	8,004	7,953	7,874
Wiley	482	475	474	470	470	468	458	449	446	440
Total	11,123	10,970	10,905	10,762	10,565	10,476	10,277	10,085	10,042	9,943

Population estimates from census bureau fact finder

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Prowers County Socioeconomic Statistics

Child Statistics

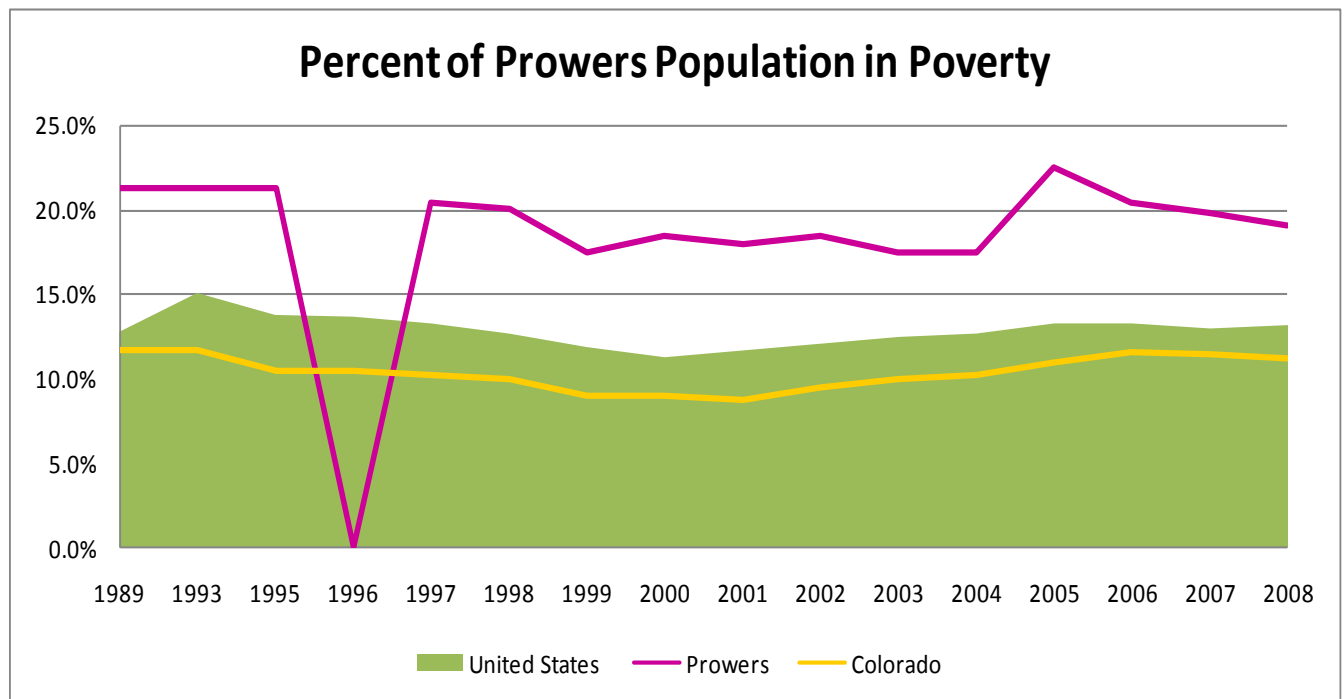
Prowers County	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Teen Births (15-17, per 1,000)	36.2	52.9	64.3	36.8	43.6	44.7	28.1	40.9	43.5
Out of Home Placements (per 1,000)	8.3	9.2	10.6	9.8	N/A	10.3	14.0	7.5	5.8
Children Under 18 in Poverty (Percent)	26.1%	N/A	22.5%	23.4%	22.7%	31.7%	29.3%	30.4%	27.9%

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State of Colorado	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
Teen Births (15-17, per 1,000)	29.4	25.3	25.9	24.3	24.8	23.8	23.7	22.1	21.4
Out of Home Placements (per 1,000)	12.3	12.2	12.2	11.9	N/A	11.5	10.7	10.2	9.9
Children Under 18 in Poverty (Percent)	12.2%	N/A	11.8%	12.8%	12.8%	14.0%	14.8%	15.3%	14.4%

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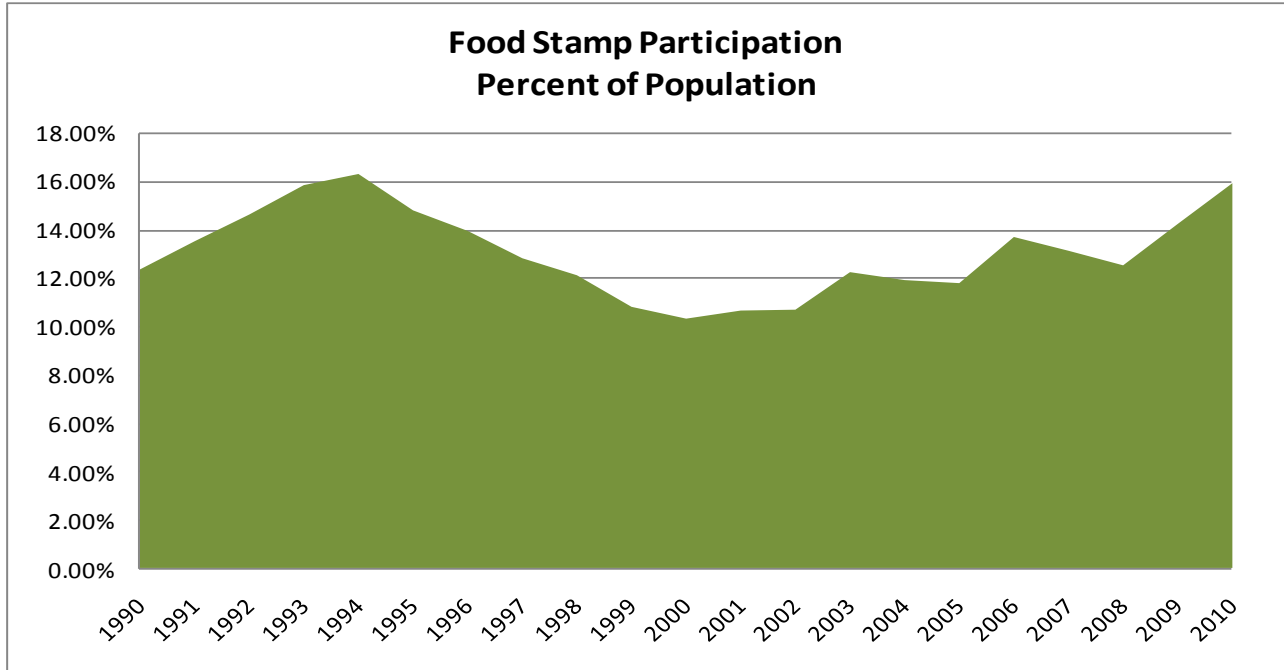
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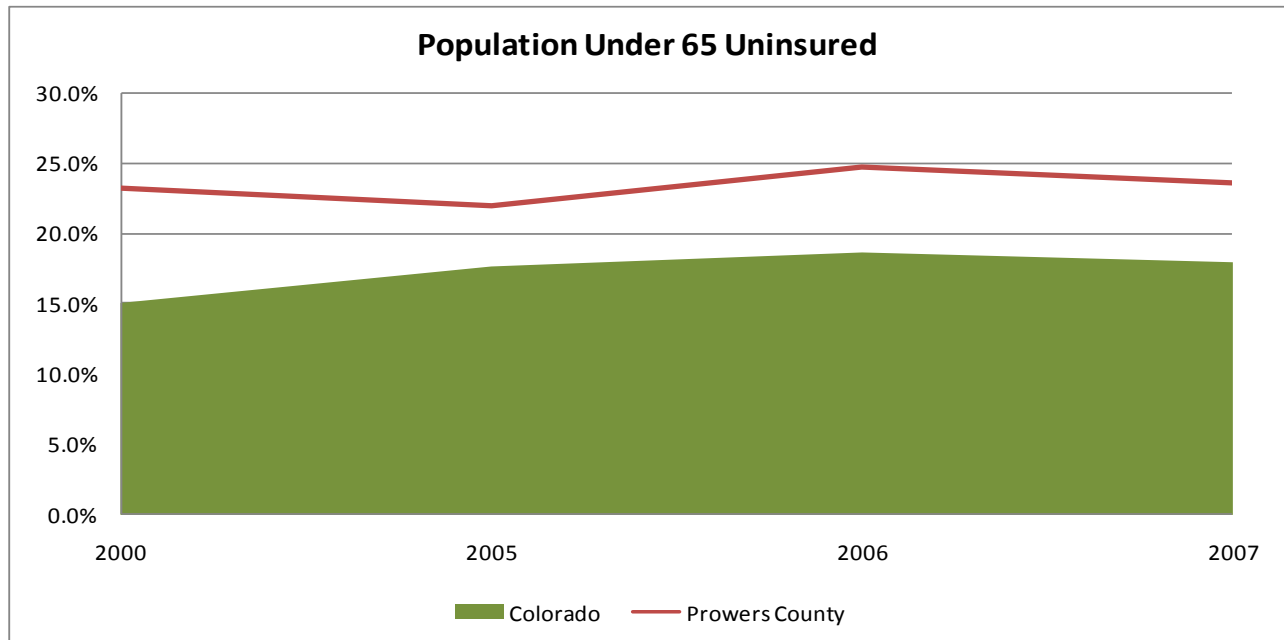
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Poverty



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Uninsured Under 65



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Life Expectancy

Average Life Expectancy: 75.7

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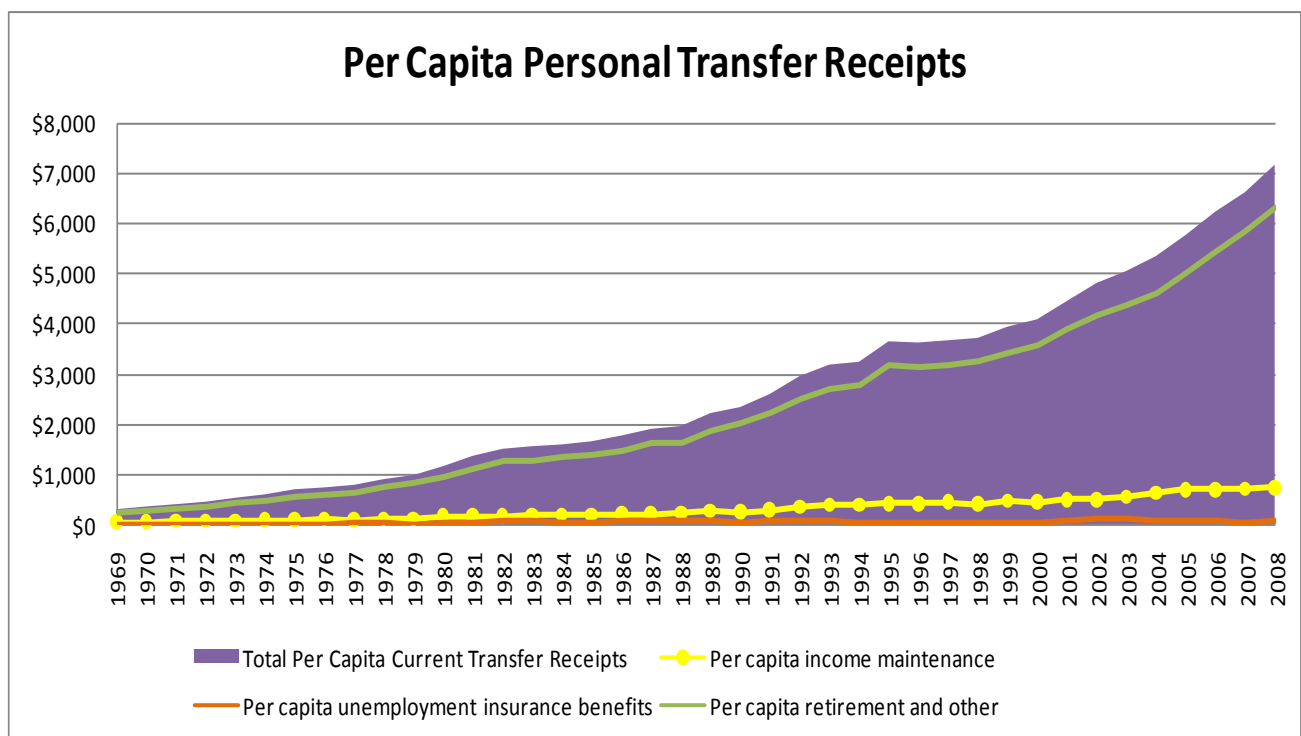
County Federal Payments

As of June, 2009

Program	Payment Type	Payment
Prompt Pay	Interest Penalty	\$152.62
Noninsured Assistance Program	Regular	\$6,042.00
Noninsured Assistance Program	Loss Adjustor	\$349.97
Crop Disaster Assistance Program	Crop Disaster Program with Appropriation	\$180,560.00
Conservation Reserve	Conservation Reserve Annual Payment	\$5,025,996.00
Direct & Counter Cyclicalpym	Direct Payments	\$2,583,002.00
Total		\$7,796,102.59

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Personal Transfer Receipts



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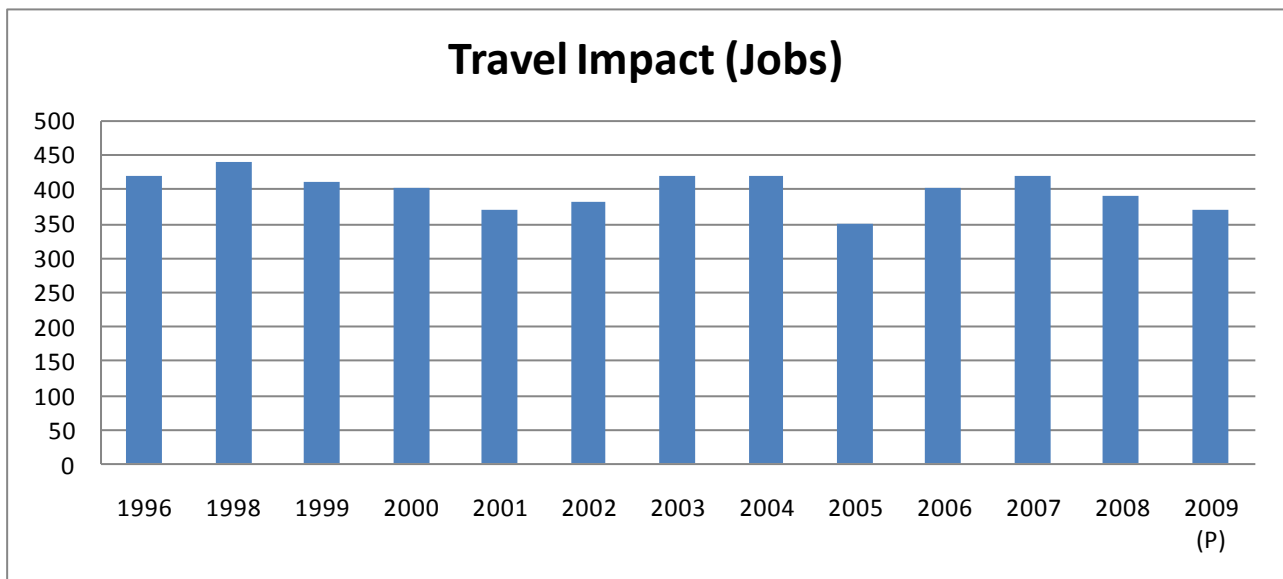
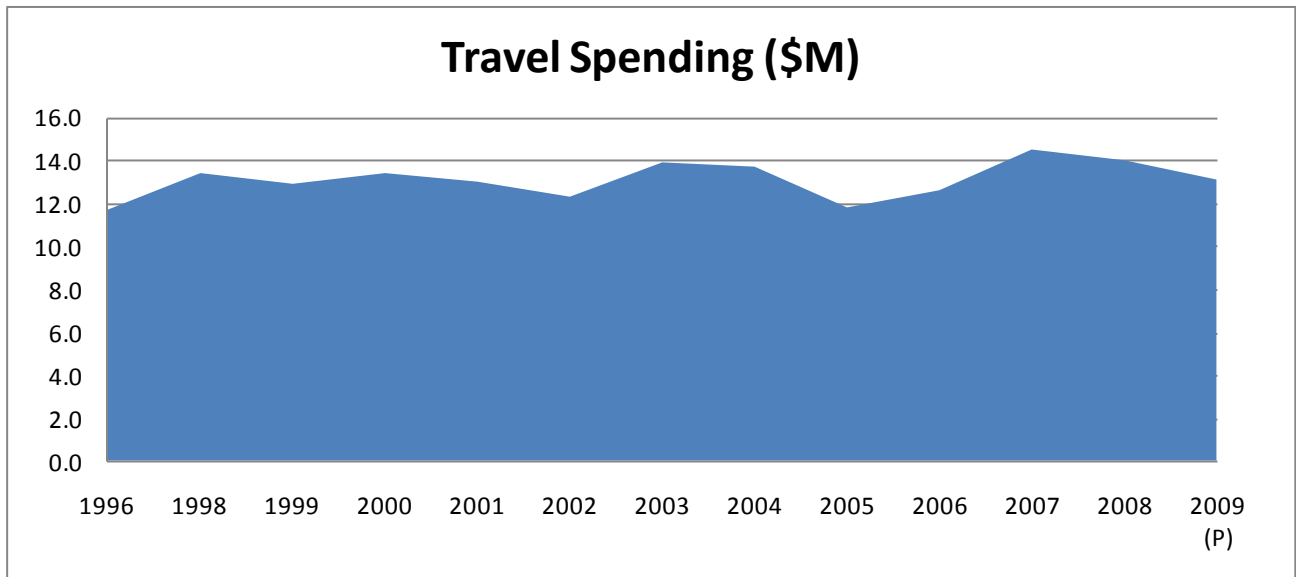
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Travel Impact

	1996	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009 (P)
Travel Spending (\$M)	11.7	13.4	12.9	13.4	13.0	12.3	13.9	13.7	11.8	12.6	14.5	14.0	13.1
Earnings (\$M)	5.1	6.0	5.7	5.8	5.6	5.3	6.1	5.9	5.1	5.4	6.3	6.3	6.1
Employment (Jobs)	420	440	410	400	370	380	420	420	350	400	420	390	370
Local Taxes (\$M)	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4
State Taxes (\$M)	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.3

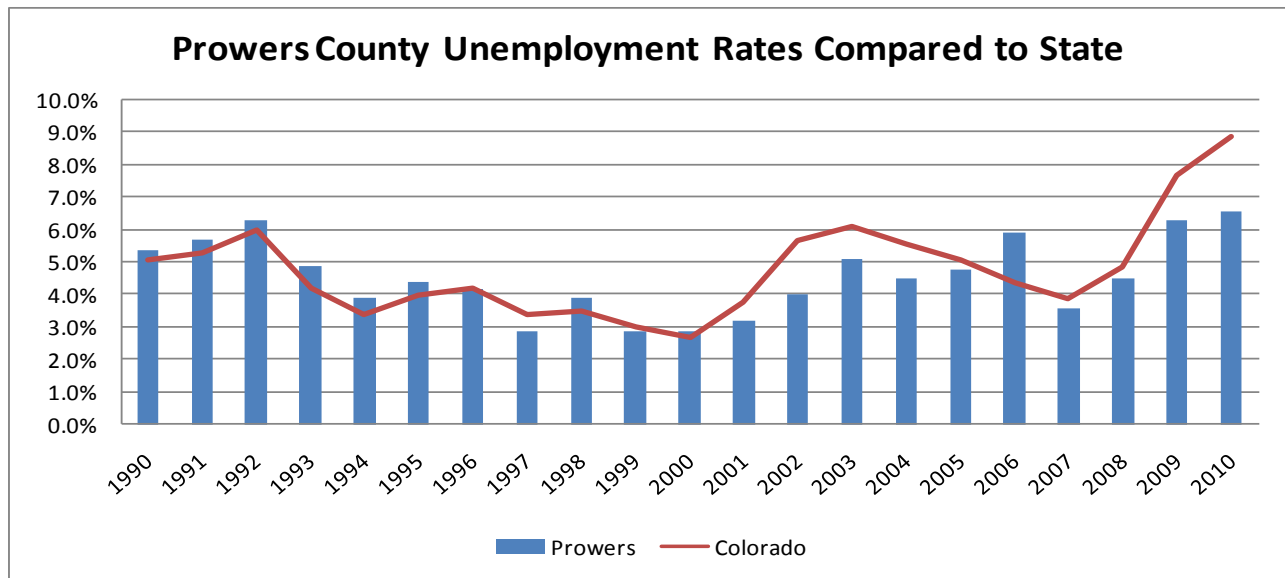
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Labor Force

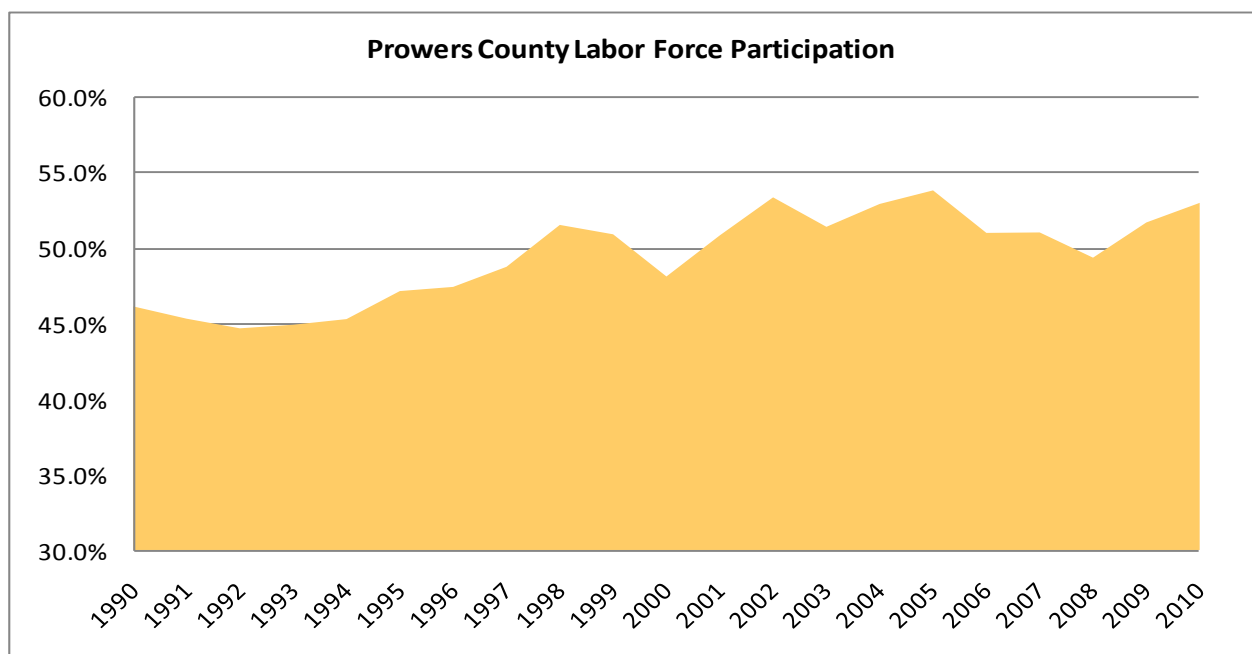
Prowers County unemployment is unsteady from year to year; reporting the lowest unemployment rate in the County at 2.9% in 2000. Colorado's 2010 unemployment rate was 8.9%, while Prowers County was 6.6%; the highest unemployment rate in Prowers County in over 20 years.



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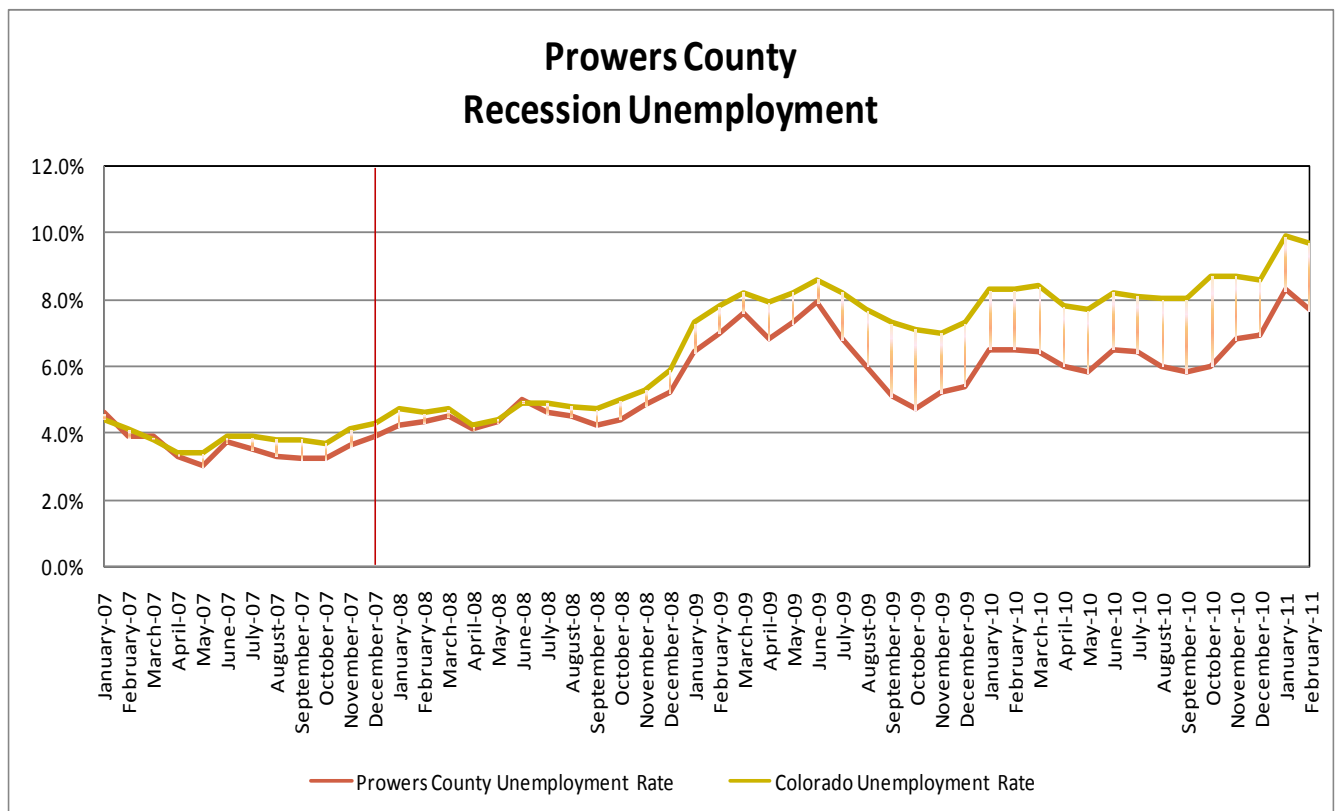
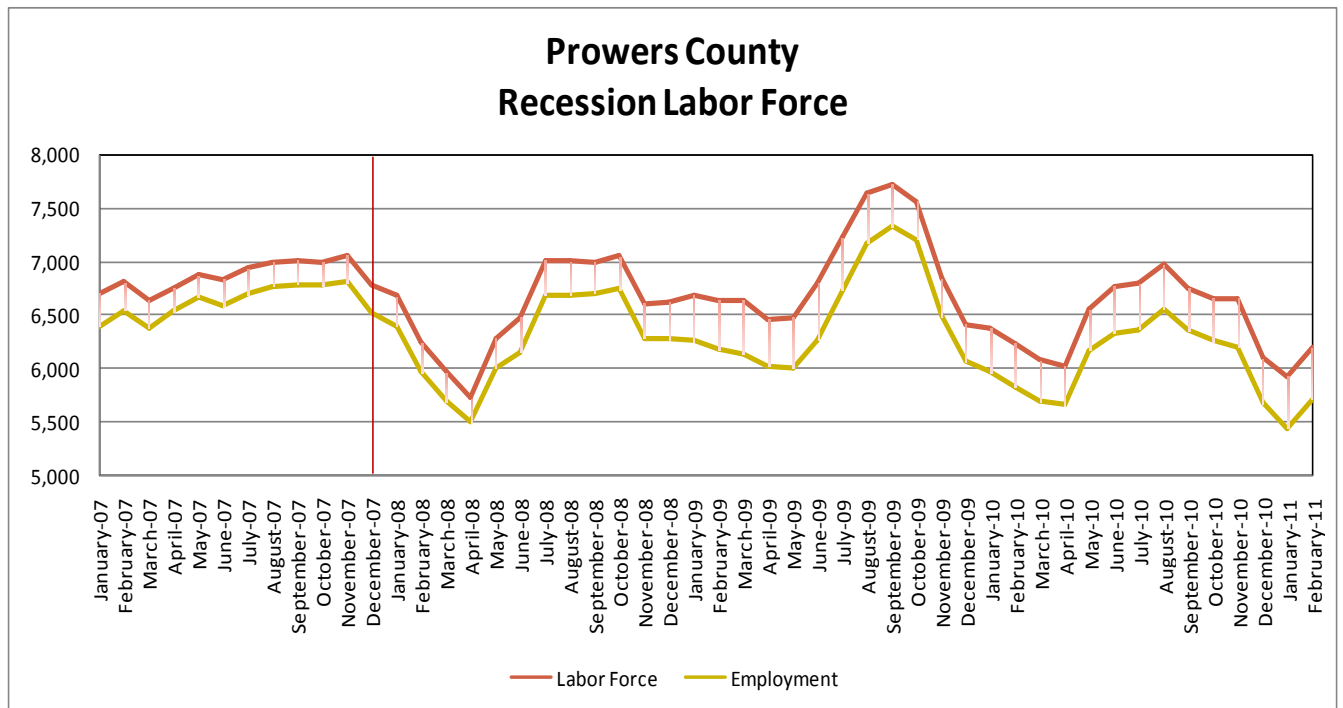
Labor Force Participation Rate

This ratio indicates the degree to which a population is working or actively seeking employment. A low rate might indicate a significant prison population, reliance on other forms of income or a significant number of discouraged workers. A higher rate may indicate a tight labor market. As of June, 2010 the Colorado rate was 68.3% and the National rate as of July, 2010 was 64.6%. Prowers County's rate as of December, 2010 was 53%.



Labor Force

The charts below represent the monthly labor force data beginning January, 2007. The recession began in December, 2007 and is reflected by the solid red line; the recession ended June, 2009. The gap between the data represents the unemployed.



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Labor Force

Wages by Sector

Average Annual Wages

Industry	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Natural Resources & Mining	\$27,415	\$27,705	\$26,936	\$28,673	\$30,037
Construction	\$23,432	\$24,136	\$27,306	\$38,561	\$42,730
Manufacturing	\$27,743	\$26,858	\$25,453	\$28,790	\$29,220
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	\$22,426	\$22,915	\$24,945	\$25,880	\$26,906
Information	\$24,955	\$27,315	\$26,776	\$26,468	\$27,622
Financial Activities	\$33,911	\$33,890	\$32,249	\$34,655	\$34,139
Professional & Business Services	\$18,616	\$21,830	\$28,749	\$28,230	\$28,444
Education & Health Services	\$20,573	\$20,870	\$21,834	\$24,421	\$24,898
Leisure & Hospitality	\$8,926	\$8,598	\$9,798	\$10,516	\$10,816
Other Services	\$17,994	\$17,896	\$20,041	\$19,143	\$19,666
Public Administration	\$25,961	\$27,679	\$29,530	\$33,251	\$34,123

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*ND= Non Disclosable-Data does not meet BLS or State Agency disclosure standards.

Average Weekly Wages

Industry	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Agriculture, Forestry, Fishing & Hunting	\$517	\$506	\$478	\$519	\$558
Mining	\$590	\$656	\$713	\$694	\$685
Utilities	\$756	\$819	\$967	\$974	\$1,031
Construction	\$549	\$557	\$605	\$774	\$845
Manufacturing	\$533	\$517	\$489	\$554	\$562
Wholesale Trade	\$528	\$526	\$584	\$666	\$686
Retail Trade	\$373	\$377	\$410	\$419	\$428
Transportation and Warehousing	\$674	\$708	\$724	\$745	\$791
Information	\$479	\$522	\$511	\$507	\$529
Finance and Insurance	\$714	\$702	\$669	\$733	\$707
Real Estate and Rentals and Leasing	\$339	\$374	\$385	\$398	\$425
Professional & Technical Services	\$449	\$524	\$648	\$630	\$644
Administrative and Waste Services	\$222	\$266	\$421	\$444	\$431
Educational Services	\$473	\$497	\$515	\$526	\$537
Health Care and Social Assistance	\$546	\$555	\$548	\$596	\$609
Arts, Entertainment and Recreation	\$224	\$197	\$232	\$260	\$272
Accommodation and Food Services	\$170	\$164	\$186	\$200	\$205
Other Services, Ex. Public Admin	\$345	\$342	\$383	\$367	\$377
Public Administration	\$573	\$600	\$631	\$709	\$718

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Labor Force

Employment by Sector

Industry	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Agriculture	925	882	921	N/A	N/A	793	716	729	674
Mining	N/A	N/A	84	89	96	106	114	106	81
Utilities	37	38	36	35	33	34	38	39	49
Construction	N/A	223	237	228	221	224	255	337	269
Manufacturing	937	931	908	896	779	456	417	384	323
Wholesale trade	240	240	203	192	187	191	190	162	139
Retail Trade	941	955	907	924	893	859	852	864	837
Transportation and warehousing	184	175	176	177	143	149	155	153	146
Information	101	85	N/A	78	N/A	59	56	60	662
Finance activities	284	283	272	261	254	256	262	246	250
Real estate	84	82	83	103	124	121	142	128	116
Professional and business services	141	127	137	136	148	141	127	127	139
Management of companies and enterprise	N/A	5	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Admin and waste	N/A	N/A	N/A	150	146	139	155	N/A	178
Education	N/A	17	16	N/A	6	14	14	15	N/A
Health Services	404	410	433	434	432	462	481	447	N/A
Arts	41	41	39	39	30	32	30	43	N/A
Accommodation and food	448	470	435	425	448	428	441	438	402
Other services, except public administration	469	449	465	453	444	465	470	475	455
Government	1,614	1,653	1,614	1,612	1,606	1,573	1,544	1,514	1,539

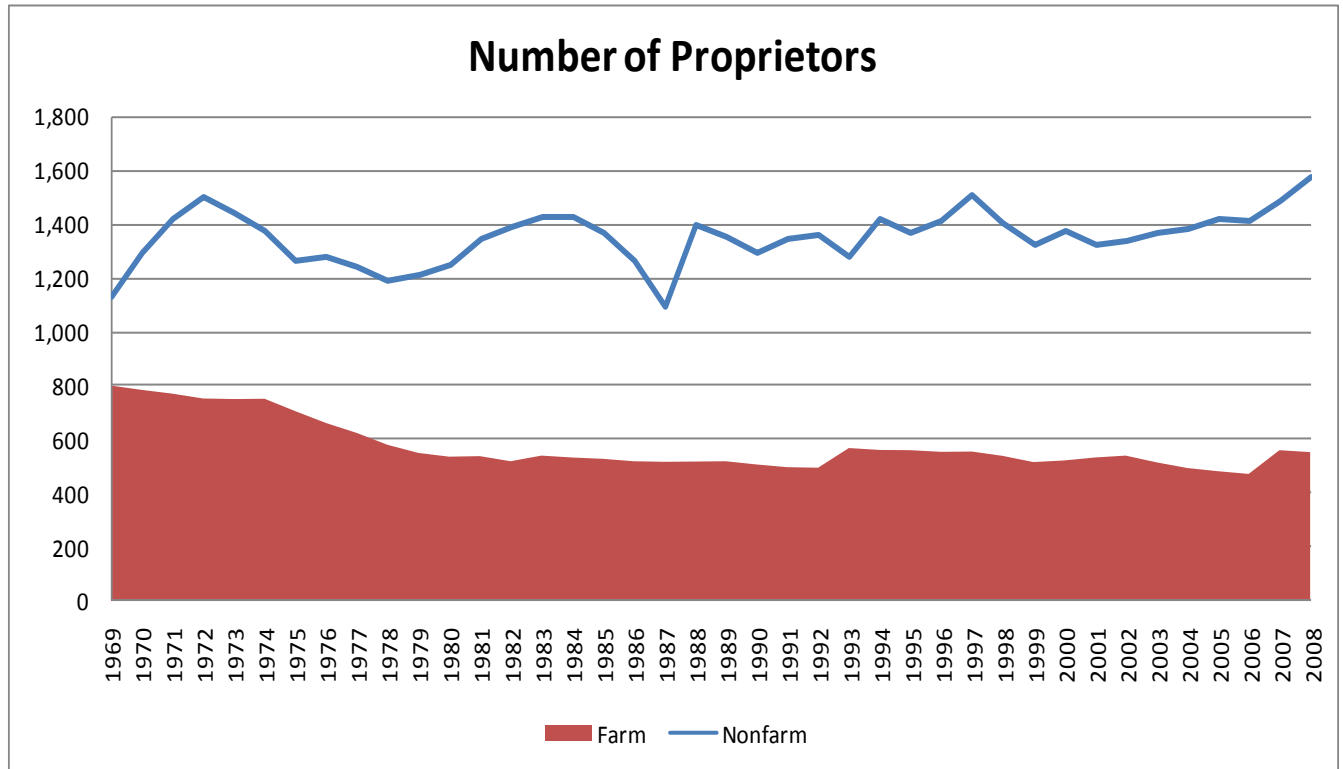
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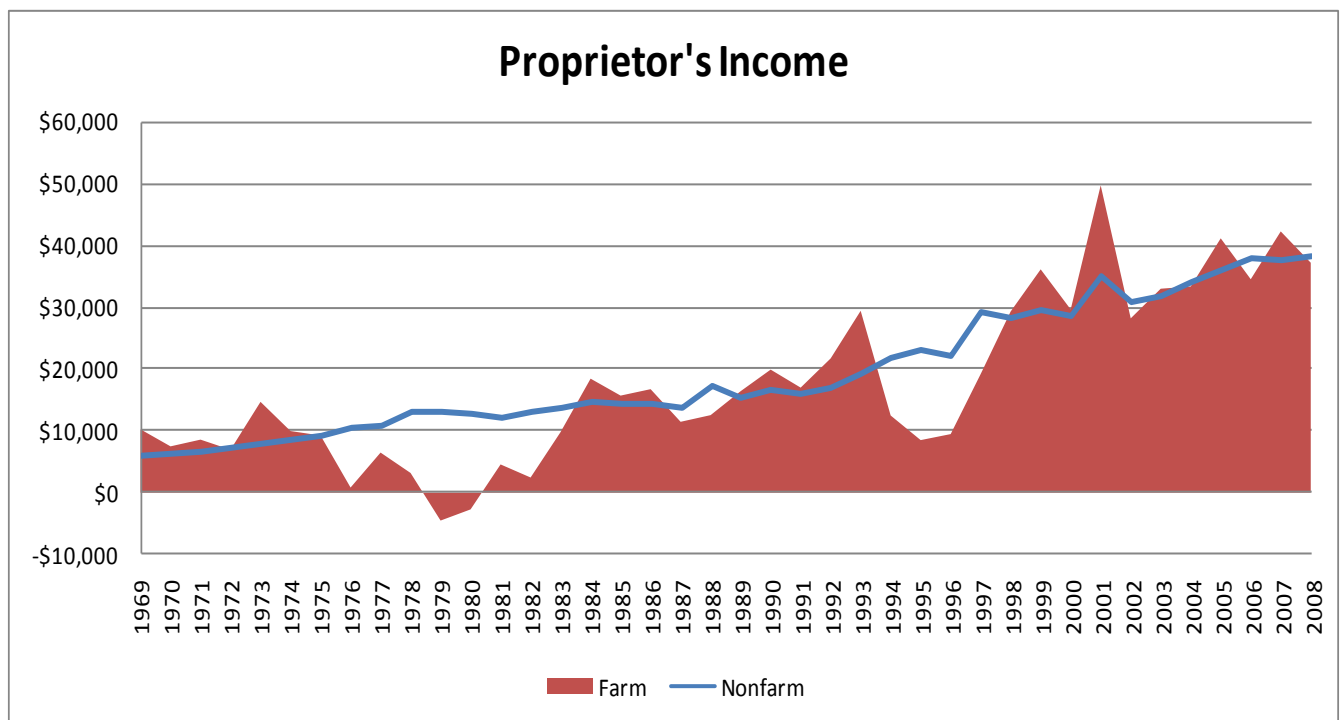
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Proprietors



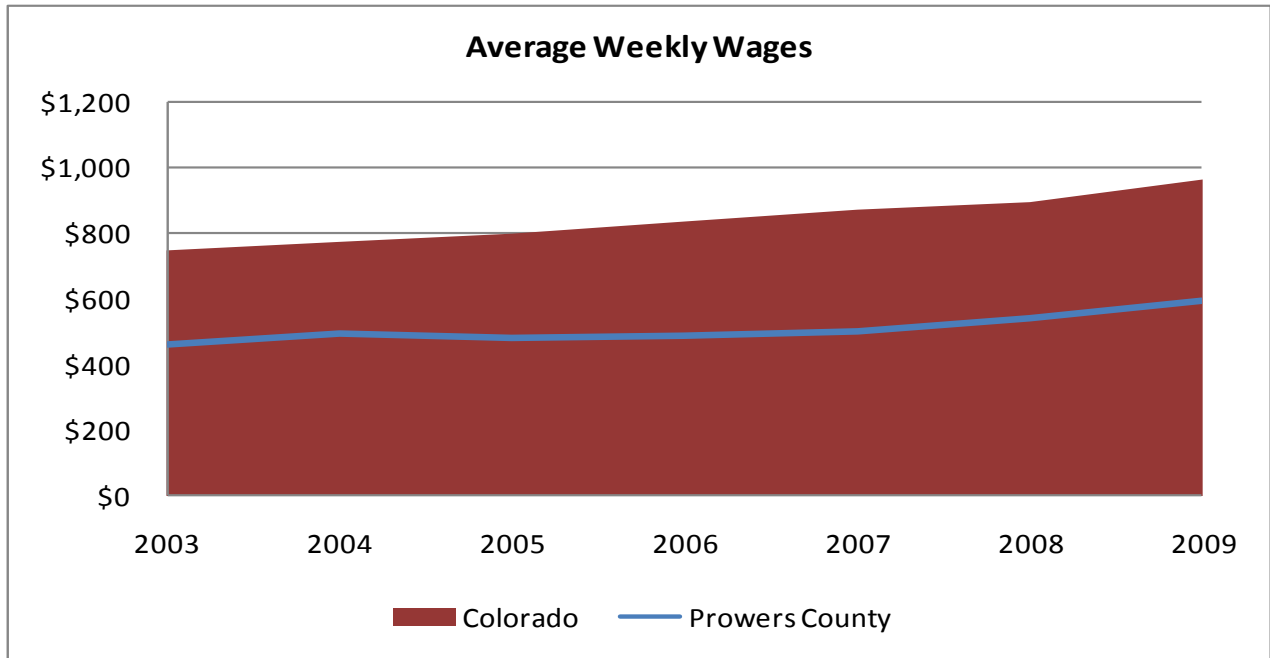
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Proprietor's Income



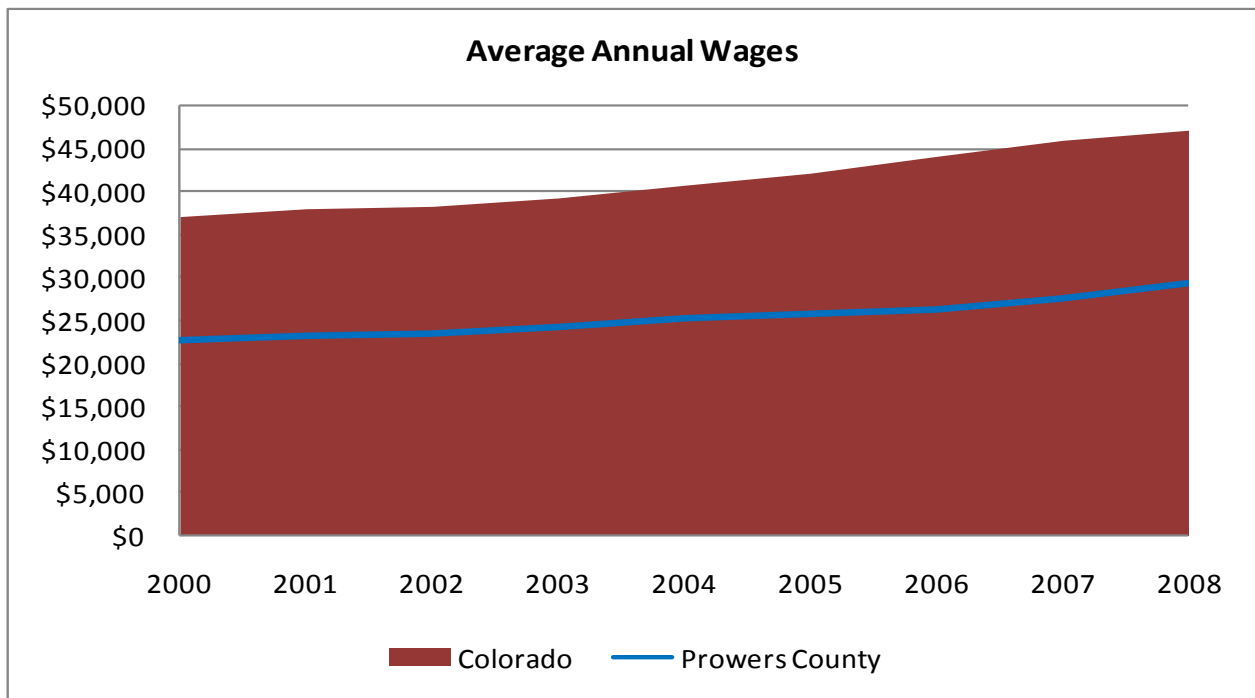
Income and Wages

Average Weekly Wages



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Average Annual Wages



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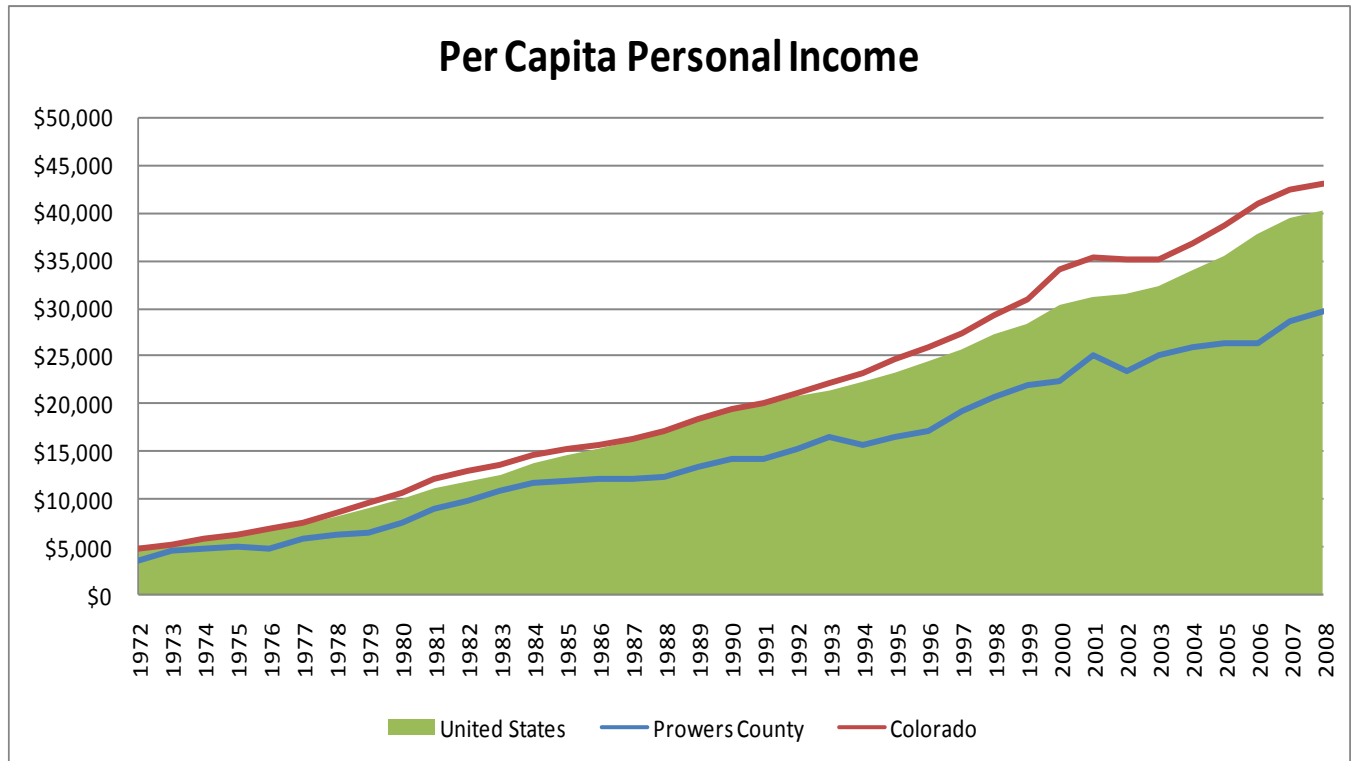
Income and Wages

Median Household Income

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Prowers County	\$30,905	\$29,985	\$29,058	\$29,411	\$29,647	\$31,042	\$32,003	\$34,581	\$35,730	\$33,646
Colorado	\$47,505	\$48,483	\$48,060	\$49,248	\$50,105	\$50,841	\$52,265	\$55,517	\$57,184	\$55,735

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Per Capita Personal Income

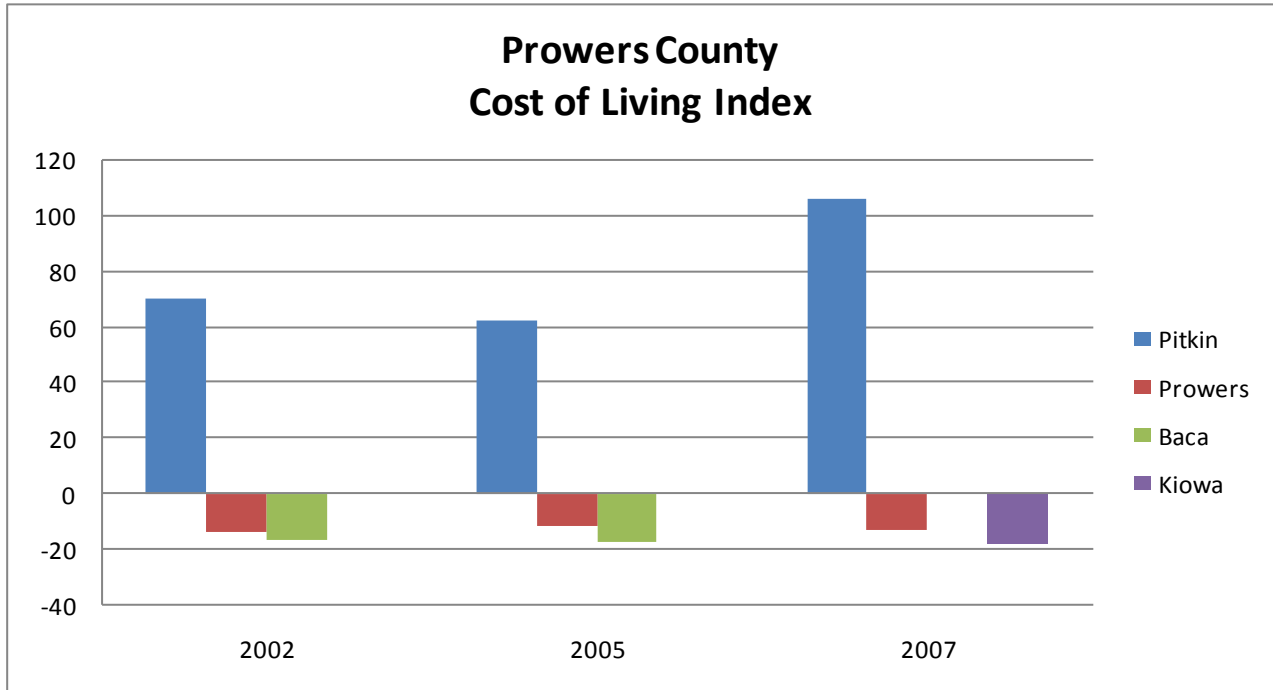


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The per capita income for Prowers County is 31% below the State average. Per capita income for Prowers County in 2008 was \$29,747 compared to the State average of \$43,021.

Cost of Living

The chart below compares the County's Cost of Living Index with the High (Pitkin) and the Low (Baca and Kiowa).



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Housing

Household Type	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Average Household Size	2.67	2.67	2.67	2.67	2.67	2.67	2.67	2.67	2.67	2.67
Household Population (July)	14,183	13,899	13,872	13,751	13,654	13,575	13,333	12,950	12,924	12,880
Housing Vacancy Rate	11.21	13.33	13.67	14.77	15.50	16.09	17.75	19.65	19.77	20.10
Total Households	5,307	5,201	5,191	5,147	5,110	5,081	4,990	4,847	4,838	4,821
Total Housing Units	5,977	6,001	6,013	6,039	6,047	6,055	6,067	6,032	6,030	6,034
Vacant Housing Units	670	800	822	892	937	974	1,077	1,185	1,192	1,213

http://www.dola.state.co.us/demog_webapps/profile_county
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	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Net Building Permits	18	13	13	8	8	11	3	14	6	1

US Census
9/23/2010

Rent	Total	Percent
Less than \$200	137	7.9
\$200 to \$299	231	13.3
\$300 to \$499	699	40.2
\$500 to \$749	346	19.9
\$750 to \$999	50	2.9
\$1,000 to \$1,499	17	1.0
\$1,500 or more	18	1.0
No cash rent	239	13.8

2000 Census Data
<http://factfinder.census.gov>
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Value	Total	Percent
Less than \$50,000	774	30.7
\$50,000 to \$99,999	1,178	46.7
\$100,000 to \$149,999	391	15.5
\$150,000 to \$199,999	122	4.8
\$200,000 to \$299,999	50	2.0
\$300,000 to \$499,999	6	0.2
\$500,000 to \$999,999	0	0.0
\$1,000,000 or More	2	0.1

2000 Census Data
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Foreclosure

	2007	2008	2009	2010
Filings	53	33	32	43
Sales	26	23	23	25

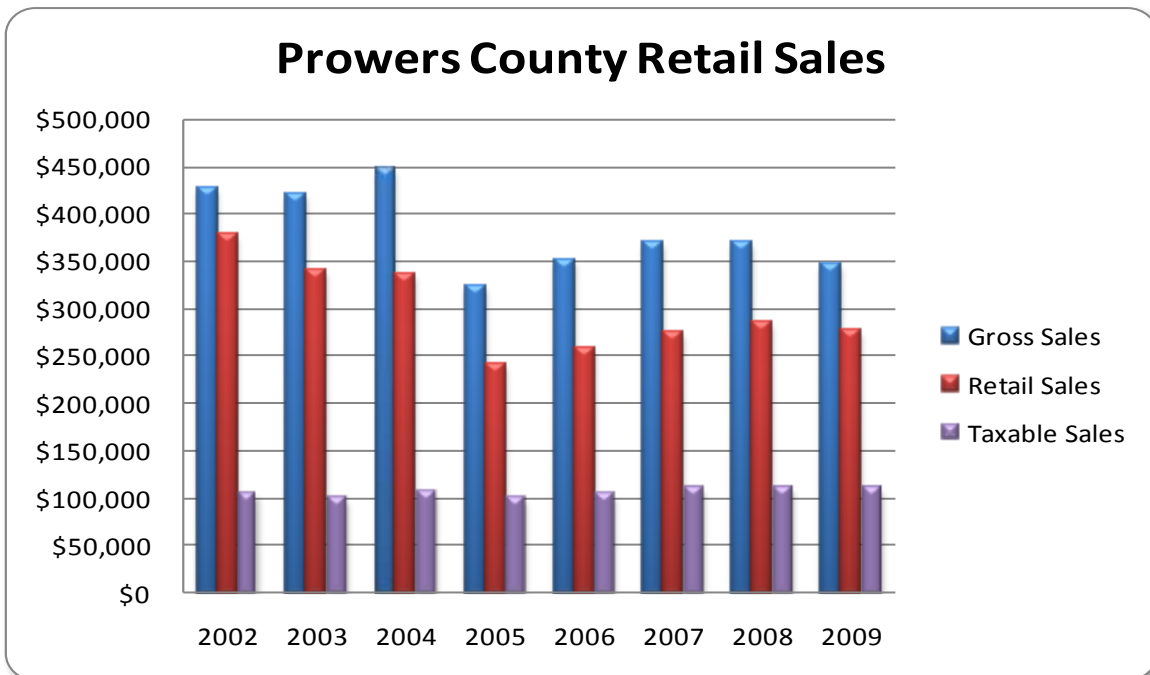
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Retail Sales

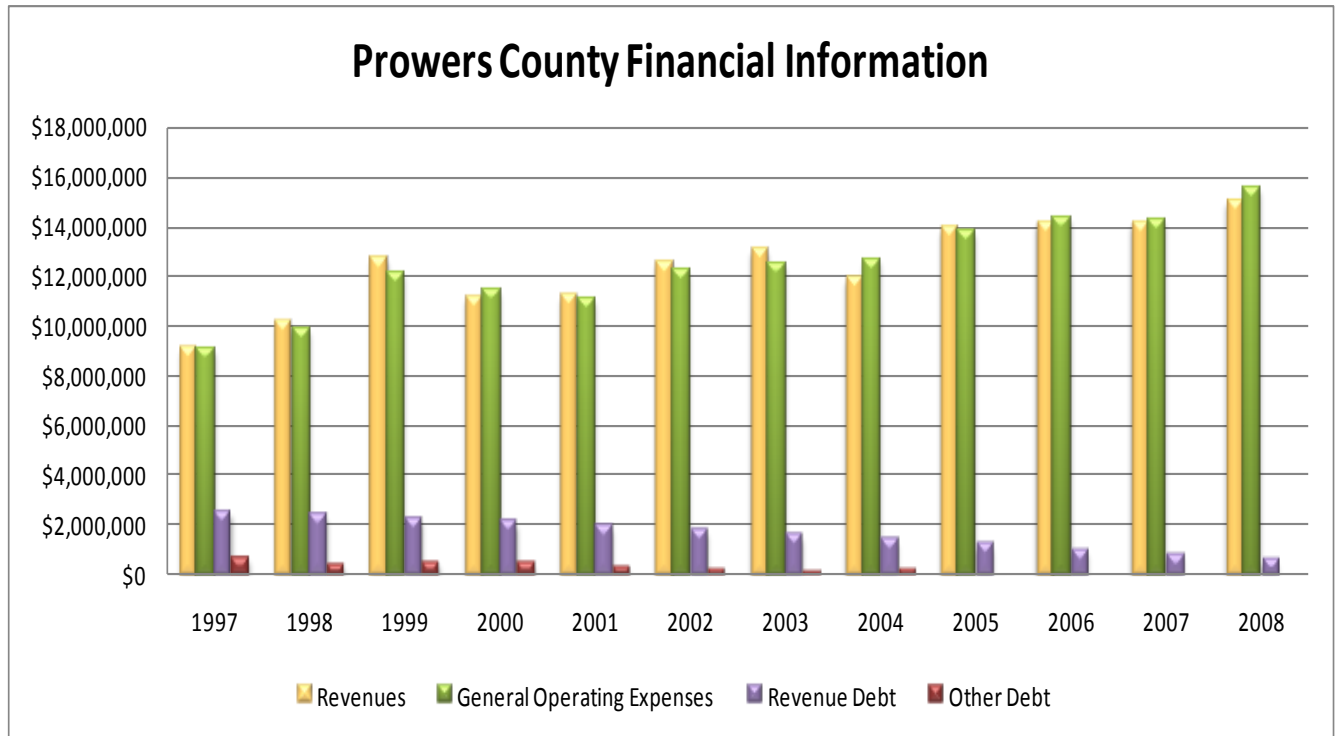
In thousands of dollars

Year	Number of Returns	Gross Sales	Retail Sales	Taxable Sales	Net Tax
2002	6,331	\$427,429	\$377,686	\$104,414	\$2,927
2003	6,331	\$420,080	\$340,526	\$99,412	\$2,802
2004	6,407	\$446,972	\$336,747	\$105,885	\$2,999
2005	6,412	\$323,316	\$240,769	\$100,454	\$2,831
2006	6,635	\$350,191	\$257,482	\$103,455	\$2,900
2007	6,659	\$368,804	\$275,473	\$109,675	\$3,075
2008	6,668	\$370,464	\$285,790	\$111,253	\$3,119
2009	6,662	\$346,530	\$277,417	\$110,038	\$3,113

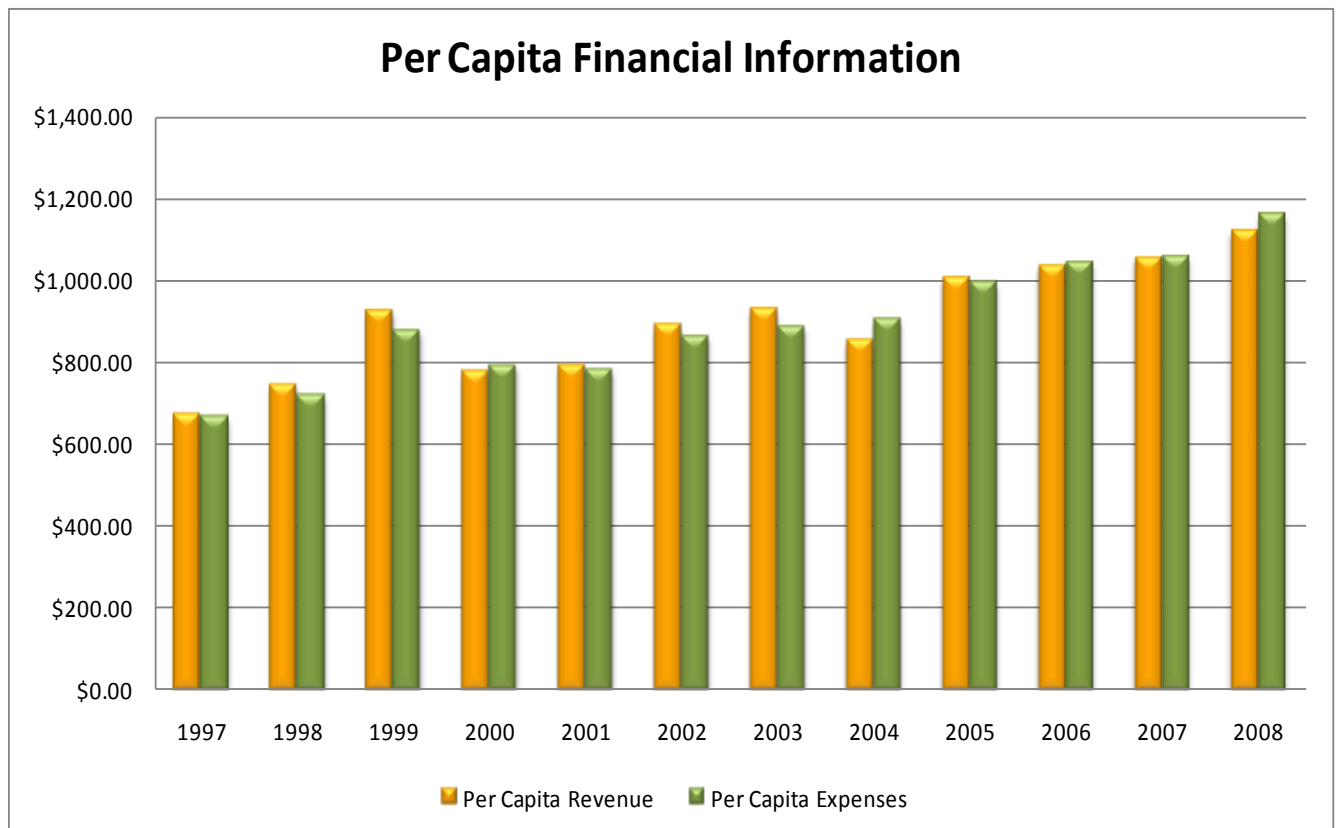
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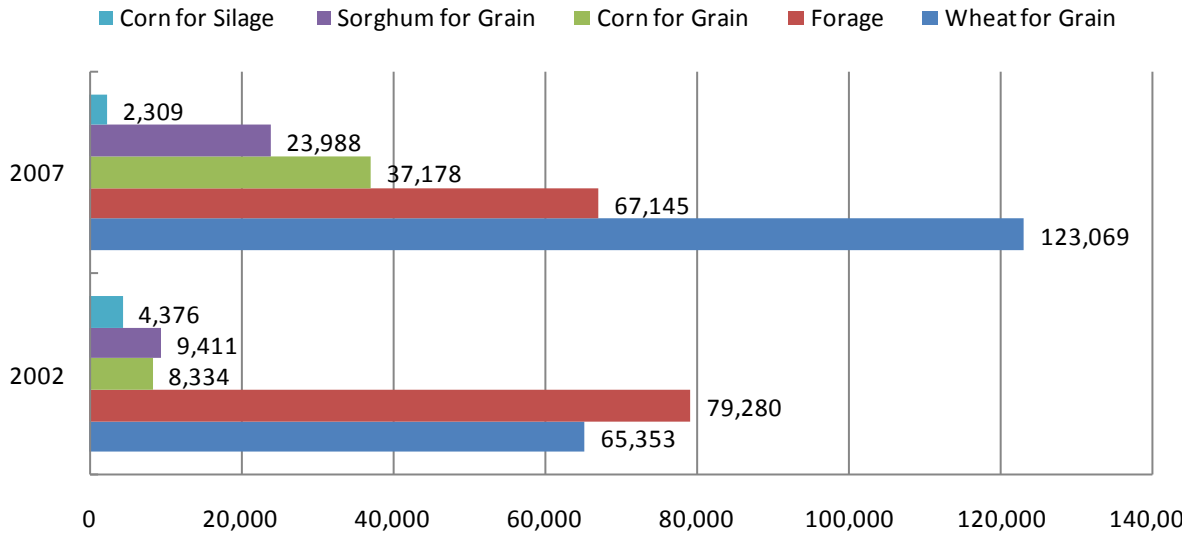
Colorado Division of Local Government
<http://www.dola.state.co.us/cedis.html>
 10/19/2010



Agriculture

In 2007, Prowers County had 1,037,336 acres of agricultural land. There are 636 farms, with an average of 1,631 acres. According to the 2007 Agricultural Census, Prowers County's largest crop harvested is wheat used for grain and top livestock is cattle and calves.

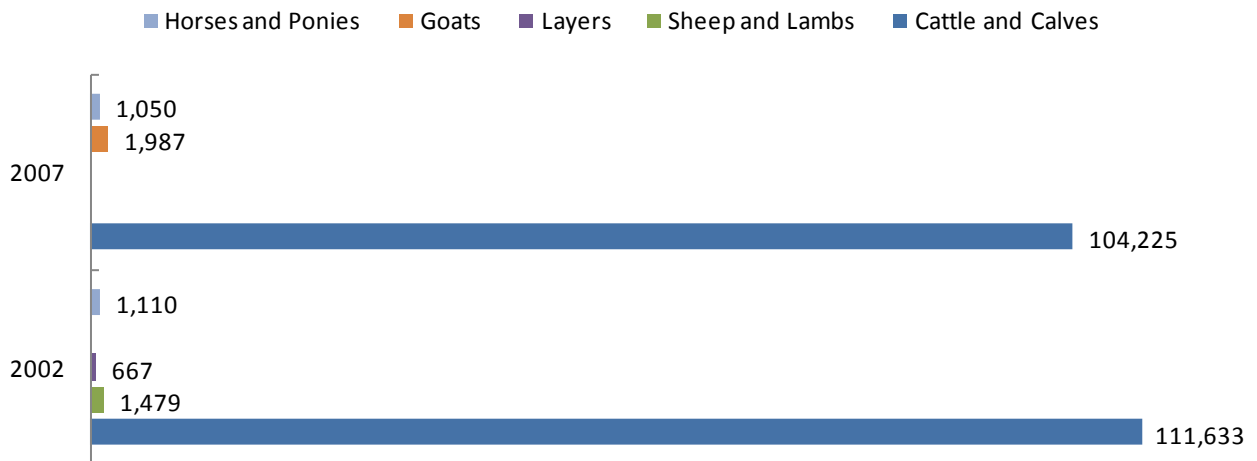
Top Crops Harvested in Acres



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Out of sixty four counties in Colorado, Prowers County was ranked third in production for Forage and Sorghum for Grain, ninth for Corn for Silage and tenth for Wheat for Grain.

Top Livestock Inventory-Quantity



Out of sixty four counties in Colorado, Prowers County ranked number first in Quail, fifth in Goats and sixth in Hogs and Pigs and Cattle and Calves.

Taxes

Colorado sales and use tax is 2.9%. Prowers County sales and use tax is 1%. Prowers County does not have a lodging tax.

2009 Property Tax Revenues

County	Valuation	Levy	Revenue
General Fund	\$125,228,840	20.42	\$2,557,173
Capital Expenditures		0	\$0
Contingent Fund		0	\$0
Library		0.00025	\$31,307
Public Welfare		0.0025	\$313,072
Road & Bridge		0.004	\$500,915
Cities and Towns			
Lamar	\$33,374,890	0.013239	\$441,850
Granada	\$1,220,630	0.010464	\$12,773
Holly	\$2,241,990	0.028866	\$64,717
Hartman	\$119,110	0.021307	\$2,538
Wiley	\$1,112,790	0.02657	\$29,567
Fire Districts			
Two Buttes Fire	\$1,319,830	0.001502	\$1,982
Wiley Rural Fire	\$6,321,080	0.002	\$12,642
Holly Fire & Ambulance	\$14,489,730	0.002289	\$33,167
Other Districts			
Bent-Prowers Cemetery	\$4,876,460	0.002	\$9,753
Bristol-Granada Cemetery	\$10,798,130	0.001562	\$16,867
East Prowers Cemetery	\$17,194,790	0.001877	\$32,275
Bristol Water & Sanitation Dist	\$340,600	0.018128	\$6,174
Holly Flood & Sanitation	\$2,721,070	0.003	\$8,163
North Lamar Sanitation	\$1,812,900	0.01	\$18,129
Wiley Sanitation	\$1,119,980	0.00422	\$4,726
East Prowers Weed	\$23,508,340	0.001935	\$45,489
Southeast Colorado Water Conservancy	\$54,169,150	0.00094	\$50,919
Prowers-Baca Hospital Dist	\$125,228,840	0.006723	\$841,913
Lower Arkasas Valley Water Conseravancy	\$81,214,380	0.001502	\$121,984
School Districts			
RE-1			
General Fund	\$10,808,460	0.027	\$291,828
Abatement		0	\$0
RE-2			
General Fund	\$89,358,390	0.019595	\$1,750,978
Bond Fund		0.0053272	\$480,033
RE-3			
General Fund	\$17,200,770	0.026536	\$456,440
RE-13			
General Fund	\$7,861,220	0.025053	\$194,947

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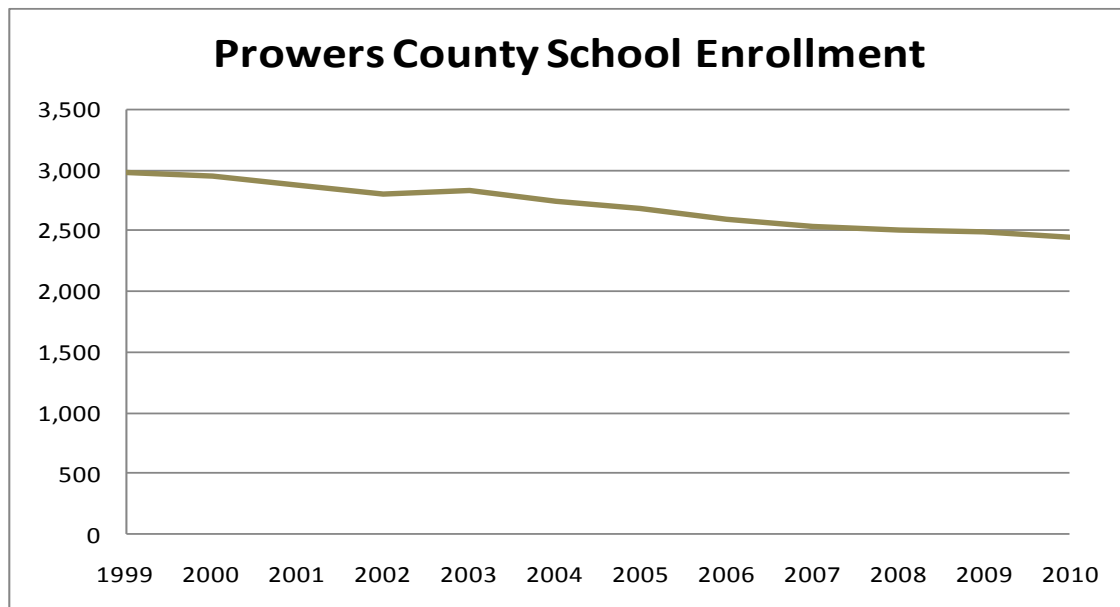
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Enrollment

	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
Granada RE-1	312	316	319	306	304	284	301	263	261	251	243	244
Holly RE-3	362	374	362	345	362	340	306	318	304	299	291	292
Lamar RE-2	1,953	1,927	1,837	1,832	1,846	1,799	1,778	1,720	1,676	1,686	1,718	1,666
Wiley RE-13 JT	343	324	346	307	313	310	285	292	284	255	236	237
Total	2,970	2,941	2,864	2,790	2,825	2,733	2,670	2,593	2,525	2,491	2,488	2,439

Number of Graduates

	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Granada RE-1	20	21	22	16	17	17	11	19	23	15	15
Holly RE-3	24	19	24	17	17	29	28	26	24	19	15
Lamar RE-2	113	93	99	83	104	102	88	92	81	70	89
Wiley RE-13 JT	33	25	22	22	19	21	30	26	20	14	26
Total	190	158	167	138	157	169	157	163	148	118	145



Graduation Rate

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Granada RE-1	91.3	100.0	100.0	94.4	89.5	84.6	79.2	100.0	93.8	93.8
Holly RE-3	95.0	77.4	85.0	77.3	85.3	75.7	83.9	77.4	90.5	93.8
Lamar RE-2	69.9	75.6	69.7	73.8	70.8	63.8	56.8	60.4	65.4	84.0
Wiley RE-13 JT	96.2	100.0	100.0	100.0	95.5	96.8	96.3	100.0	100.0	89.7

Drop Out Rate

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Granada RE-1	0.0	0.7	0.8	0.0	2.7	0.7	1.3	0.7	0.7	0.7
Holly RE-3	1.7	2.5	5.1	1.6	2.2	4.8	2.0	0.0	0.0	1.4
Lamar RE-2	4.8	2.7	2.2	3.1	2.6	4.9	7.9	5.1	1.9	3.1
Wiley RE-13 JT	0.6	0.0	0.6	0.0	1.2	0.0	0.6	1.3	1.3	0.0

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Crime

Offense	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
Arson	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Assault	6	21	22	13	20	19	15	11	27	13
Burglary	14	9	19	21	16	14	10	5	20	3
Disorderly Conduct	13	27	14	8	6	15	6	4	12	3
Drug Violations	13	17	28	35	18	29	11	14	8	23
DUI	48	53	82	59	49	60	40	26	13	12
Forgery	0	0	2	0	1	0	1	1	0	0
Fraud	4	4	6	8	7	3	1	1	0	4
Larceny/Theft	35	33	25	30	35	23	25	21	19	13
Motor Vehicle Theft	4	3	5	2	3	5	3	3	1	1
Murder/Manslaughter	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Non-Violent Family Offenses	1	9	5	0	1	1	2	2	1	0
Other Offenses	44	34	45	42	41	47	41	22	22	36
Rape	0	0	1	1	1	4	0	2	1	1
Robbery	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Sex Offenses	0	0	2	0	1	1	1	1	1	3
Stolen Property	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Vandalism	N/A	11	3	7	5	16	12	2	10	4
Weapons	3	1	1	5	1	2	1	0	0	4

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Hospital

Powers Medical Center

401 Kendall Drive

Lamar, CO 81052

Phone: 719-336-4343

Website: www.powersmedical.com

Medicare Provider ID: 61323

Total Staffed Beds: 25

	2009	2010
Patient Revenue:	\$36,566,524	\$39,307,488
Total Discharges:	1,115	1,052
Total Patient Days:	5,450	5,351

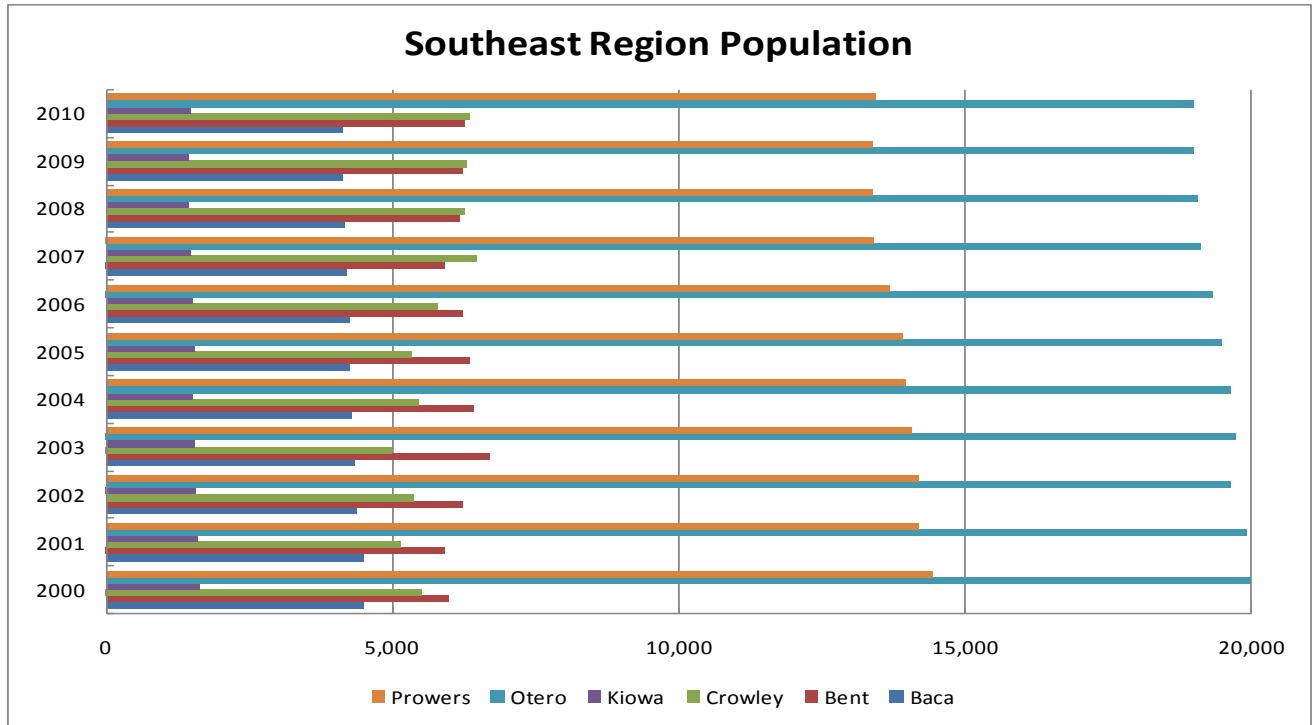
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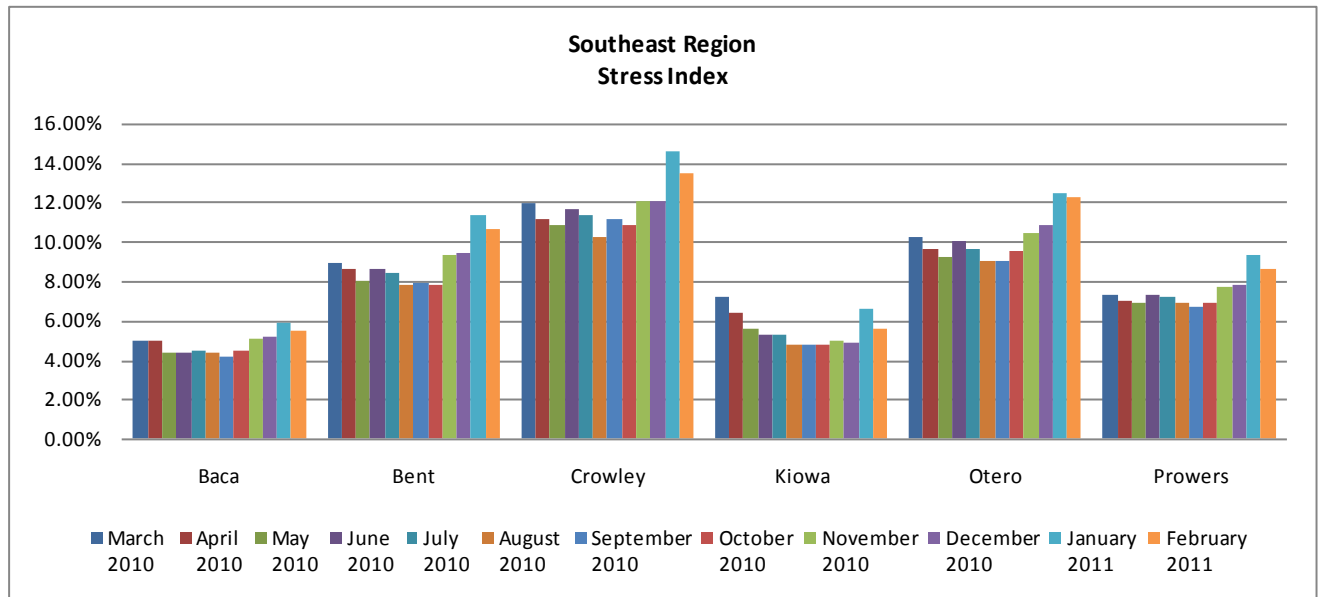
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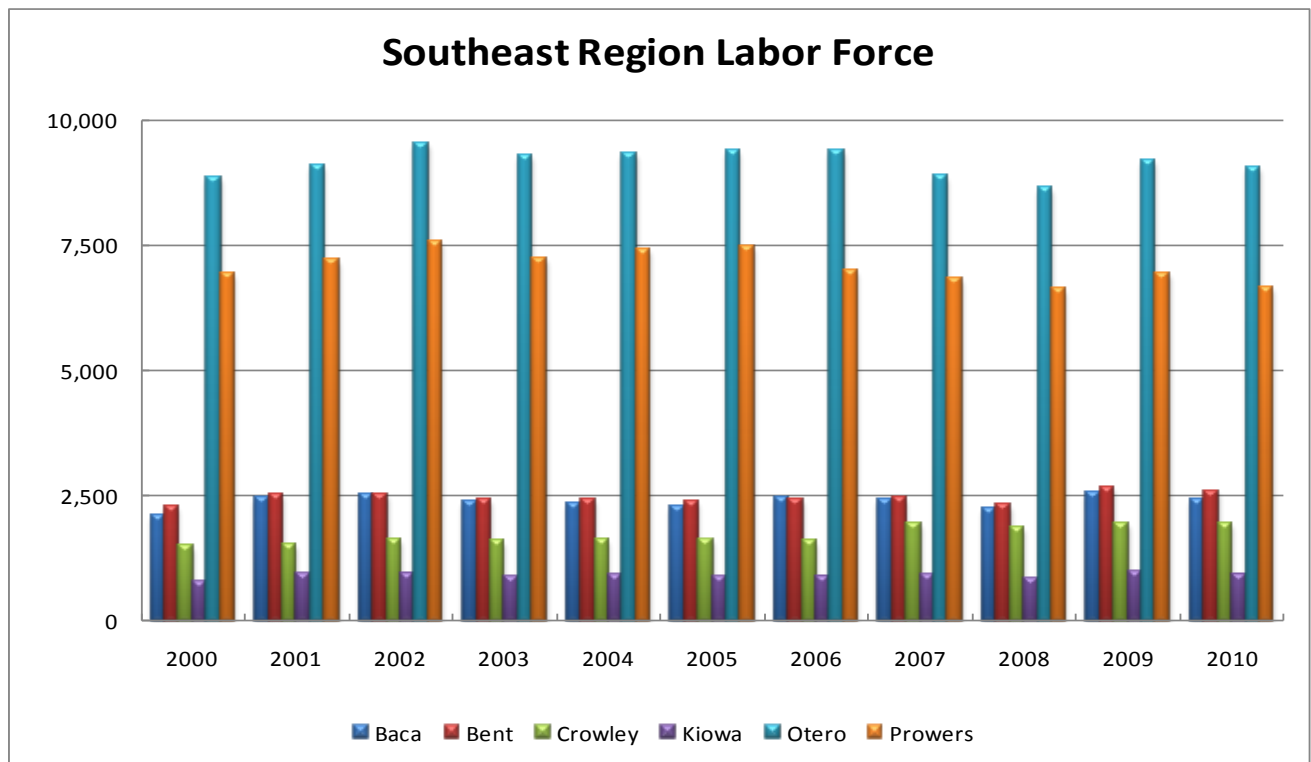
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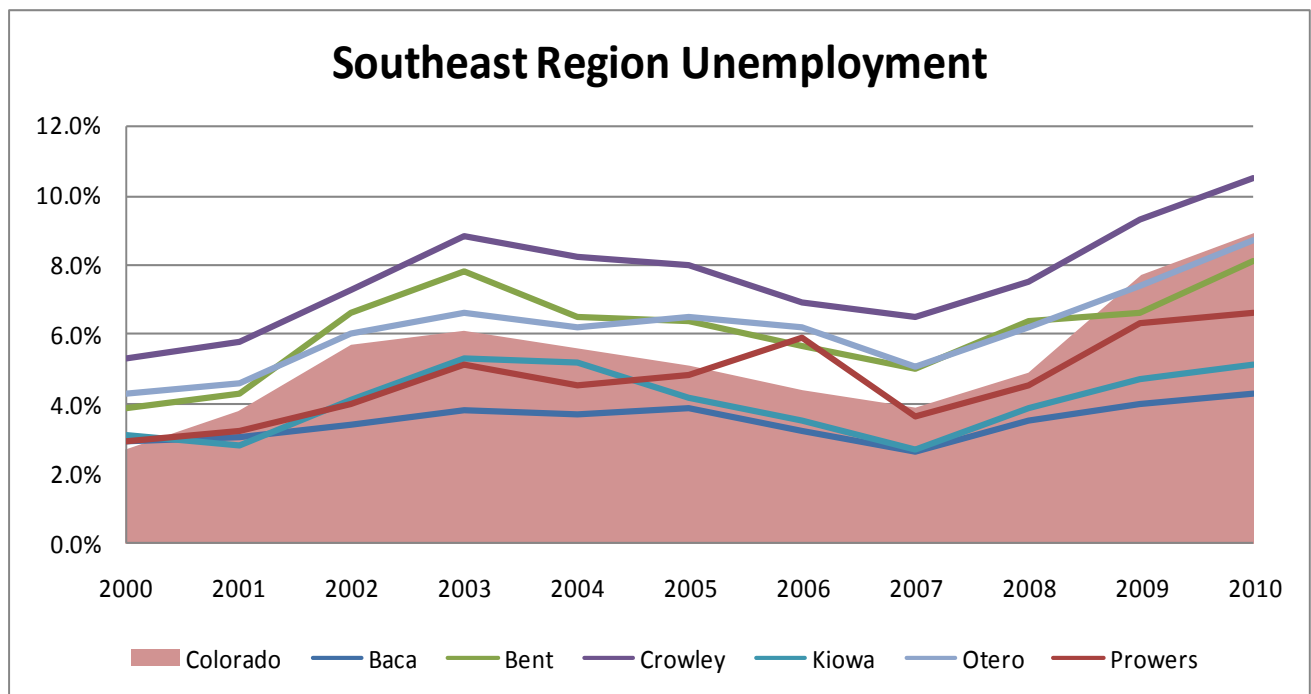
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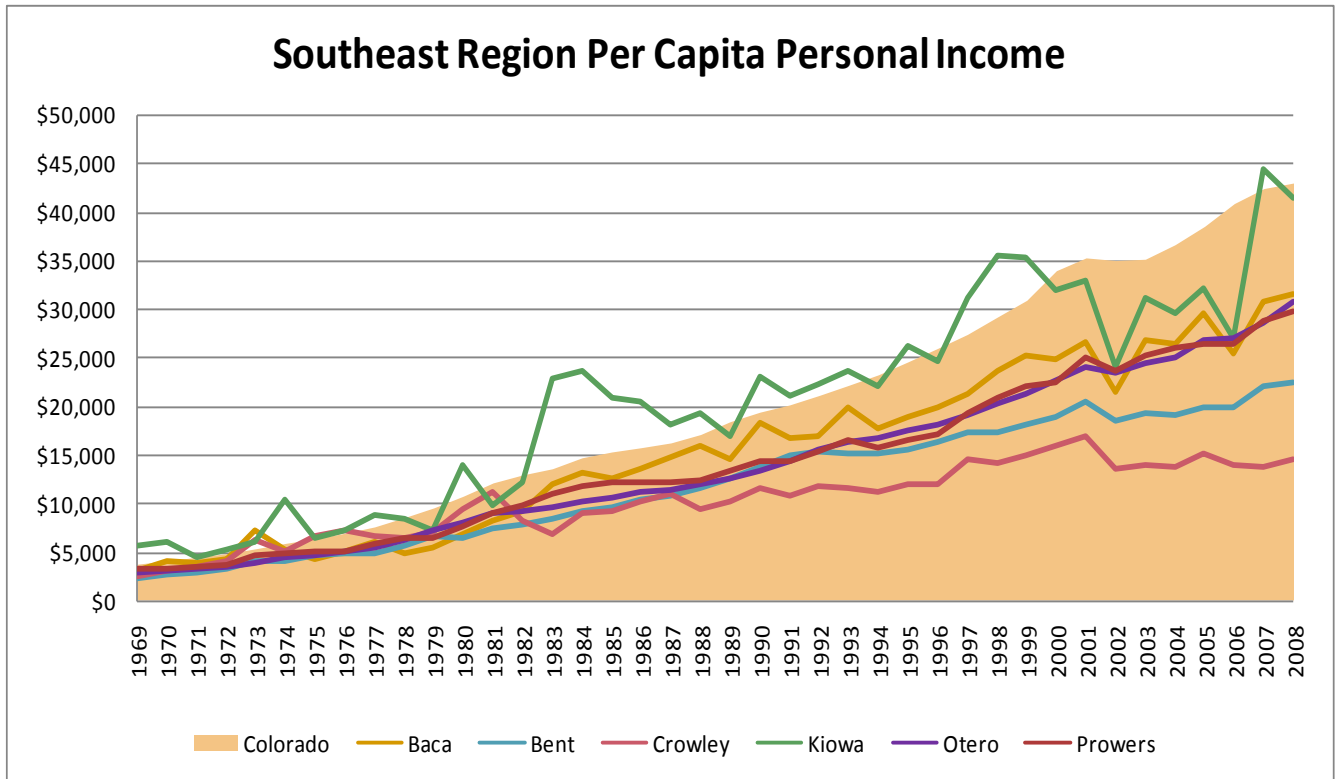


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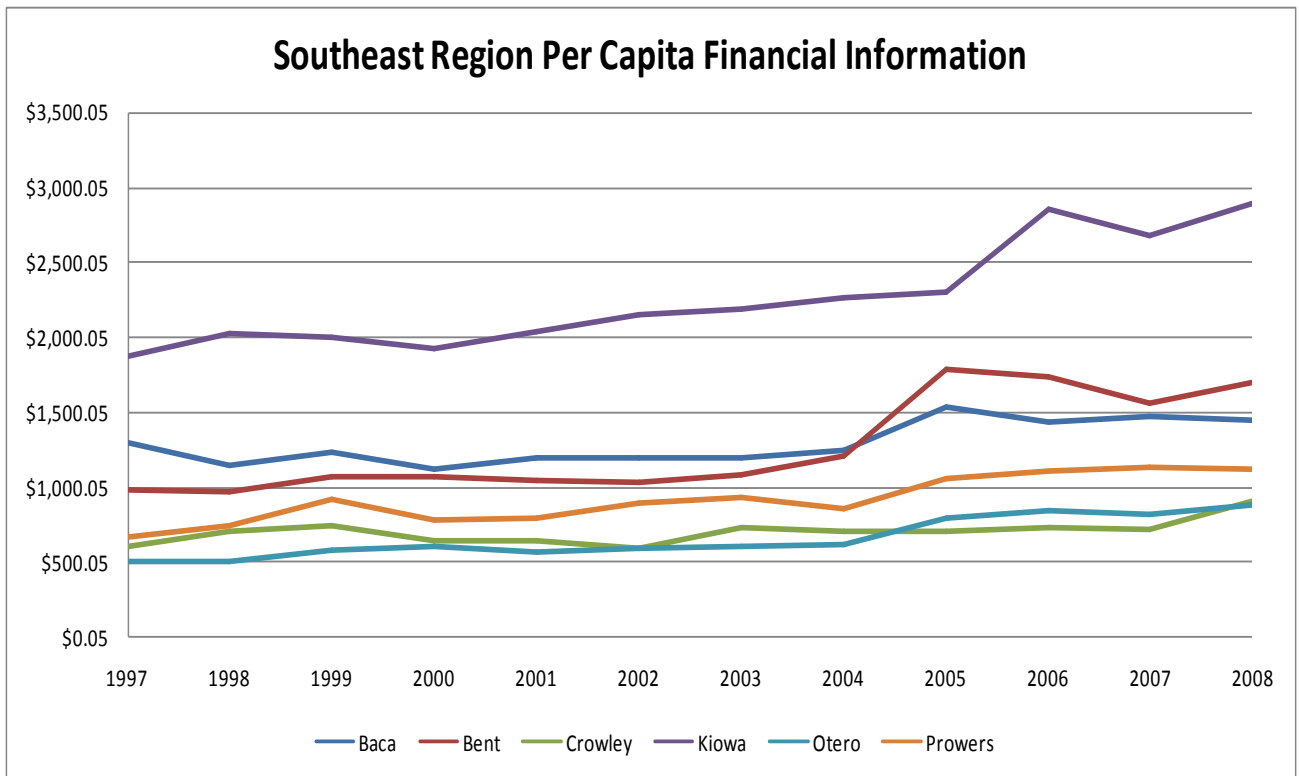
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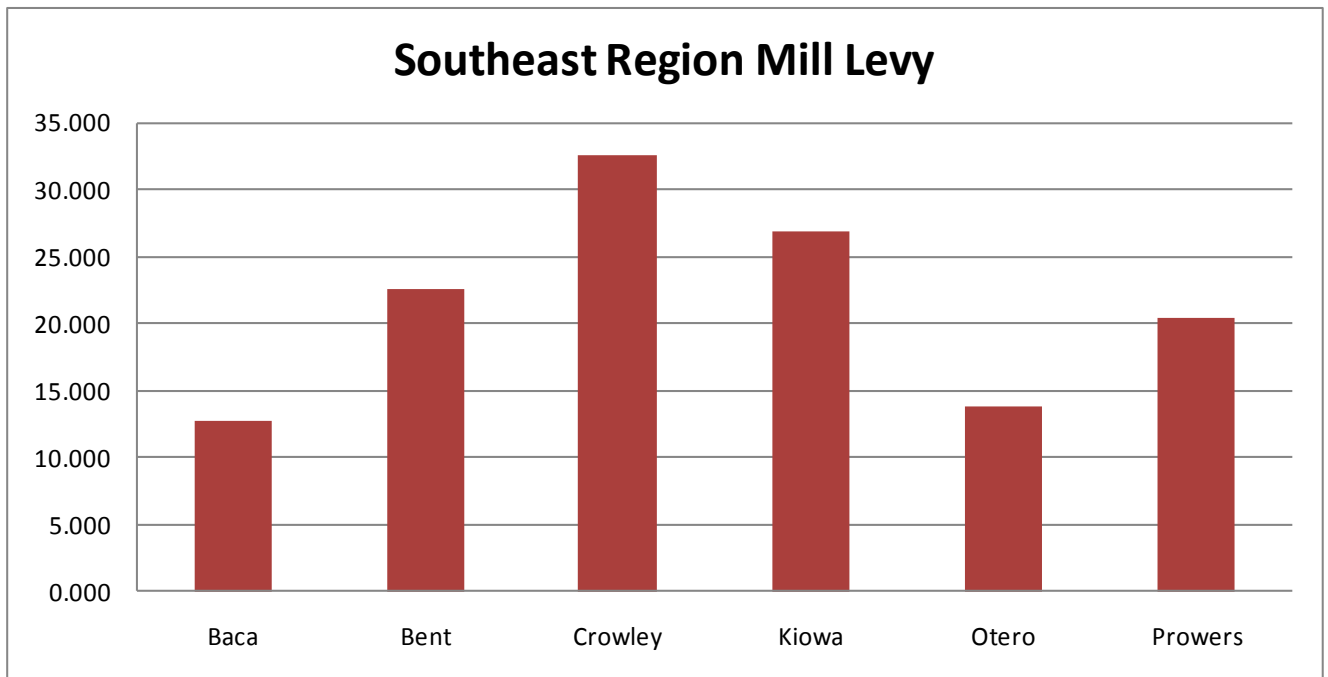
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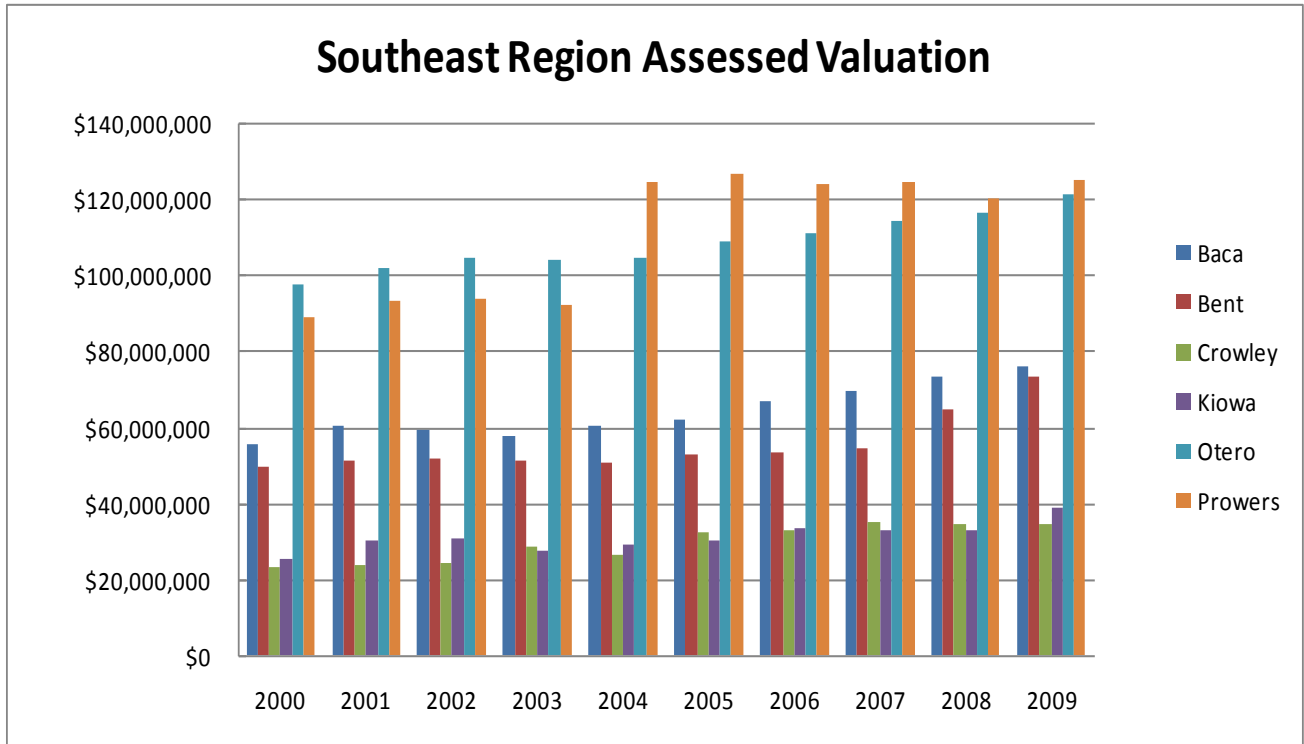
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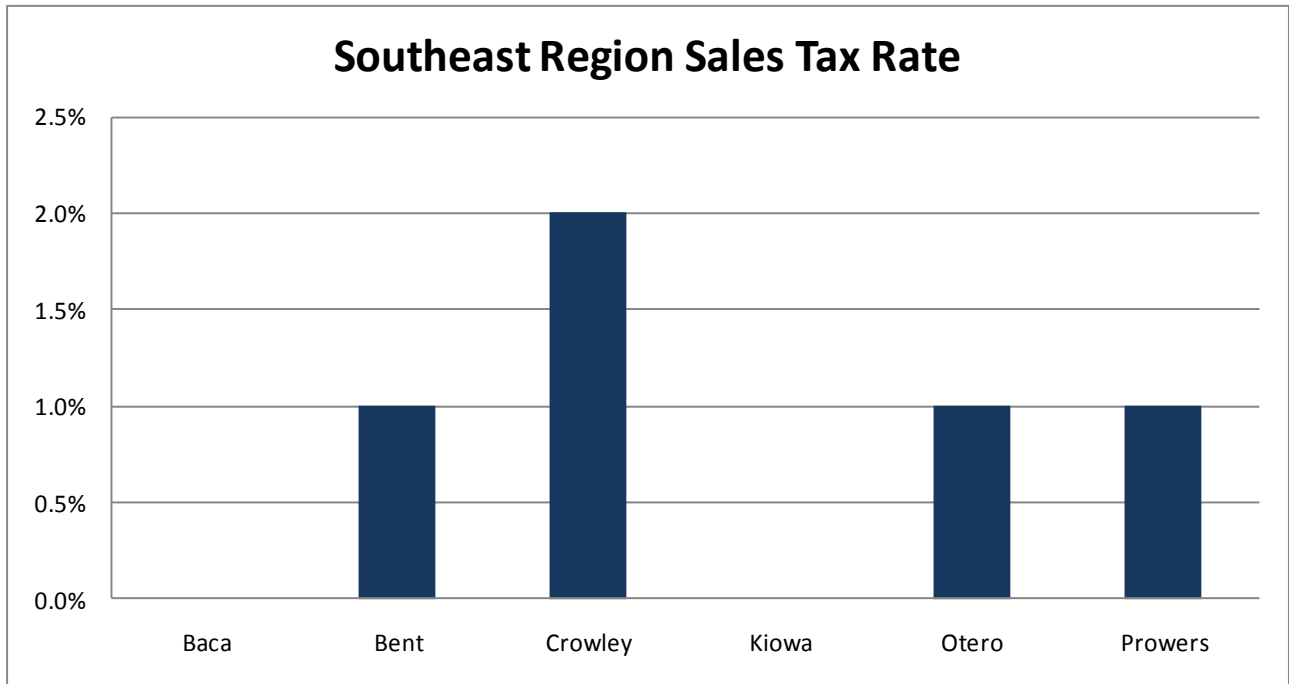
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