

# COLORADO MUNICIPAL FACTS

**Number of incorporated municipalities:** 271

Population (2008 estimates)

State: 5,011,390

Municipal: 3,645,947

Municipal as percent of state: 72.8%

Range in municipal population:

Bonanza City: 15                  Denver: 611,509

Municipalities with CML membership: 264

## Structure of Colorado municipal governments

| Structure           | #   | Population | % of Pop. |
|---------------------|-----|------------|-----------|
| Home Rule           | 100 | 3,344,763  | 93.11%    |
| Statutory           | 170 | 250,074    | 6.86%     |
| Territorial Charter | 1   | 1,108      | 0.03%     |

**Number of municipalities with city/town manager or administrator:** 169

## Municipal elected officials

Mayors, councilmembers, trustees: 1,766

Percent of elected officials who are women: 29.3%

## Sources of municipal tax revenue (2007)

Total tax revenue: \$2,209,344,577

Property taxes: \$274,293,973 11.2%

Sales/use taxes: \$1,682,921,297 76.2%

Total taxes as % of total revenue 62.2%

## Property tax (2008)

Assessed Valuations

State: \$87.55 billion

Municipal: \$55.04 billion

Municipal as percent of state: 62.9%

## Sales tax (2009)

Total municipalities levying a local sales tax: 218

Municipalities with self-collected sales tax: 64

Low: 1%                  High: 5%

## Municipal elections (1993-Spring 2010)

| Ballot Issues                      | Passed | Failed | % Passed |
|------------------------------------|--------|--------|----------|
| TABOR Revenue and Spending Changes | 449    | 68     | 87%      |
| Municipal Tax/Tax Rate             | 344    | 282    | 55%      |
| Municipal Debt/Obligation          | 247    | 121    | 67%      |
| Term-Limits                        | 111    | 76     | 59%      |