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## WELCOME TO ADAMS COUNTY

The Denver Regional Council of Governments (DRCOG) predicts Adams County will be one of the fastest growing counties in the region by 2040. Adams County Economic Development notes the county provides businesses the unique benefit of "access to a metro region with value-priced land, labor, and cost of doing business." (ACED, 2018) Adams County offers employers and their workforces the resources

needed to thrive. This snapshot was created to help local businesses learn what Adams County is doing to ensure the longevity and sustainability of your investment. From infrastructure to safety, transportation to business support, as well as community support for both residents and our business community, Adams County delivers all the resources required by those who have invested here

# DID YOU KNOW?

ADAMS COUNTY IS

THE FIFTH LARGEST

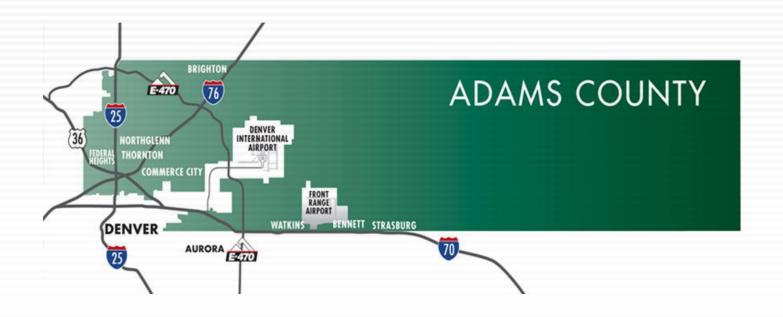
COUNTY IN THE

STATE. THE COUNTY

IS HOME TO AROUND

500,000 PEOPLE AND

10,000 BUSINESSES.



## COMMUNITY SNAPSHOT



491,337
CURRENT POPULATION



5th

MOST POPULATED COUNTY
IN COLORADO



500+
ACRES IN
ENTERPRISE ZONES



33.4
MEDIAN RESIDENT
AGE IN YEARS



246,554
RESIDENTS IN THE WORKFORCE



MAJOR HIGHWAYS WITHIN COUNTY BORDERS





34
BUSINESS PARKS READY
FOR DEVELOPMENT



\$800-1.5K
AVERAGE RANGE OF PROPERTY TAXES

## ADDITIONAL COMMUNITY HIGHLIGHTS

- Adams 12 Five Star Schools (Higher graduation rate than state)
- Abundant parks, open space, and trails
- Thornton Safest City in U.S. in 2017
- Northglenn America's Playground 2016
- Minutes away from Denver
- Home to Amazon distribution hub (Potential for two-hour Prime delivery service)
- Easy access to Denver International Airport and smaller airport hubs
- Integrated Public Transportation Commuter Network (FasTrack B and G lines, FF Transit, and RTD Transit) with future lines underway for a total of 20 potential FasTrack stops
- Railroad access
- Living more cost-effective than Denver and Boulder
- Neighbor to major institutions of higher learning: three colleges, one private university, and several technical schools exist within county boundary

## CURRENT WORKFORCE

## RESIDENT EMPLOYMENT IN ADAMS COUNTY







15%
ADMINISTRATIVE

11%





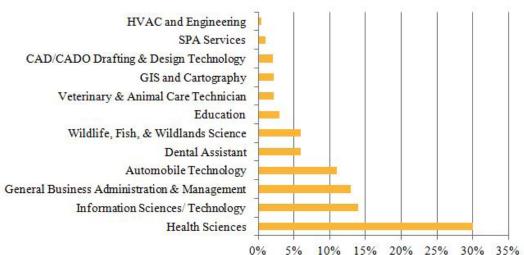


10%
CONSTRUCTION & EXTRACTION

| 6%            | 5%   | 4%   | 3% & BELOW  |
|---------------|--|--|---|
| Food Services | Business & Finance<br>Production<br>Transportation | Education & Training Information Technology Cleaning & Maintenance | Health Practitioners/<br>Support<br>Material Movers<br>Community Supportive<br>Services |

<sup>\*</sup>Data reflected comes from DATA USA Website

LOCAL WORKFORCE EDUCATION



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## LOCAL Industry

## TOP INDUSTRIES IN ADAMS COUNTY





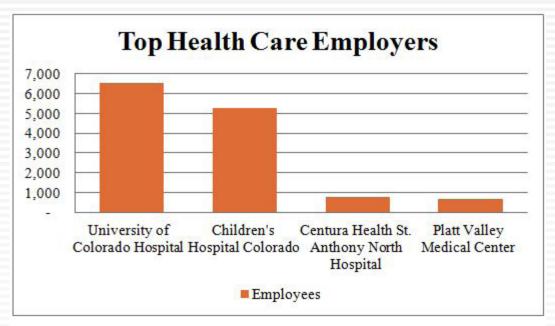


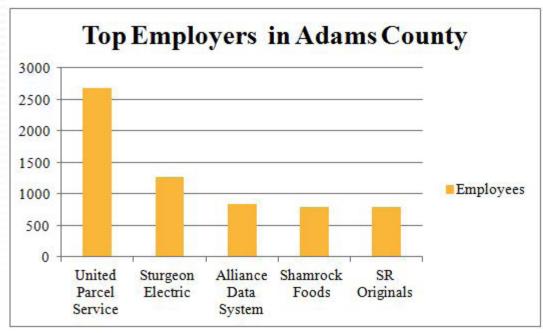
HEALTHCARE & SOCIAL SCIENCES

**RETAIL & TRADE** 

CONSTRUCTION

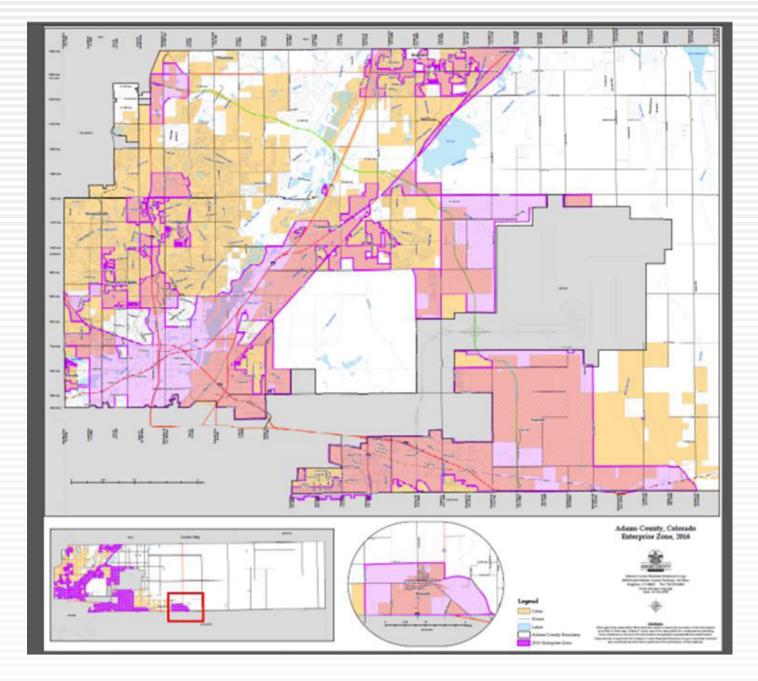
## TOP EMPLOYERS IN ADAMS COUNTY





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## ENTERPRISE ZONES



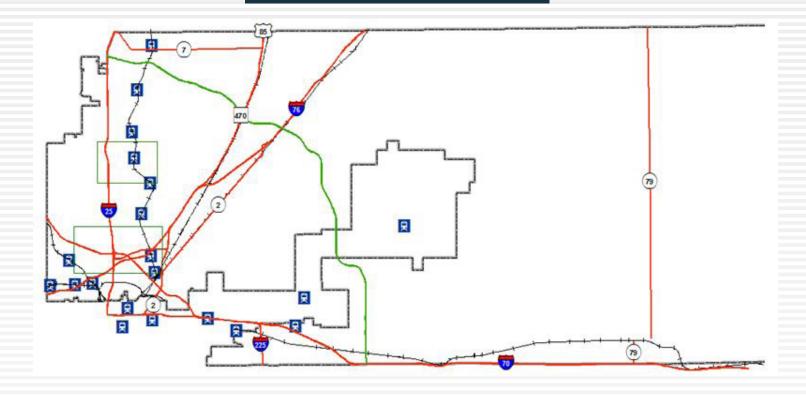
Businesses within the purple Enterprise Zones may be eligible for certain tax credits and incentives. For more information on the Enterprise Zones, please contact:

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## TRANSPORTATION



Adams County boasts all means of transportation necessary for commerce. Below you will find a list of available transportation infrastructure:

### **Highways**

- Hwy. 85
- I-70
- I-76
- I-25
- E-470
- I-225
- Hwy. 2
- Hwy. 79

#### **RTD**

- 20 planned FasTrack sites
- Park and Ride Stations throughout the county
- Coordinated RTD Bus and Rail line schedules
- B, G, and FF Rail Line active transportation options

#### Railroad

- East to West Connectivity
- North to South Connectivity

# DID YOU KNOW?

ADAMS COUNTY
IS THE LOGISTICS/
TRANSPORTATION
HUB OF THE FRONT
RANGE WITH AN
UNPARALLELED
MIXTURE OF ROADS,

RAILWAYS, AND

AIRPORTS. (ACED, 2018)

## FUTURE DEVELOPMENT



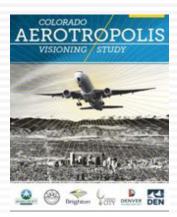
#### **Agritourism**

The District Plan is a partnership between Adams County and the City of Brighton. This plan area has created development opportunities for innovative farming, cottage industries, and the agritourism industry. Learn more about the District Plan by contacting Anneli Berube, Ag Innovation Specialist for Adams County and the City of Brighton, at <a href="mailto:aberube@adcogov.org">aberube@adcogov.org</a> or 720.523.6979. Or visit <a href="mailto:adcogov.org/districtplan">adcogov.org/districtplan</a>.



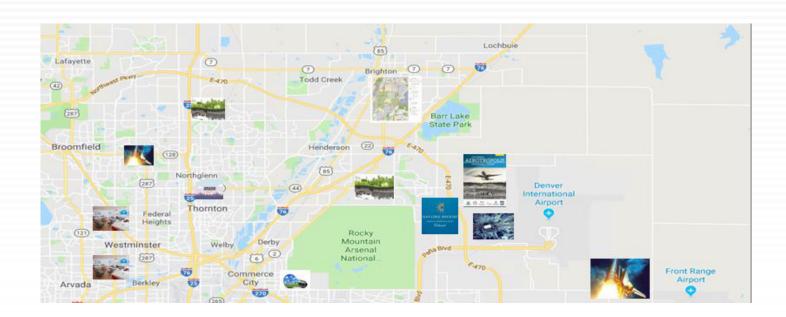
#### **Commerce and Information**

Come see what Adams County has to offer. Already home to Google, UPS, and Amazon, discover the potential business opportunities our county has to offer. To learn more, contact the county's Community and Economic Development Department at 720.523.6800.



#### **Technology and Industry**

Aerotropolis is a multi-city and county collaboration seeking to create innovative development solutions for future business, technology, and commerce. Amazon and Panasonic already call this future plan area home. Learn more about Aerotropolis today and the possibilities for your future business by contacting the Community and Economic Development Department at 720.523.6800. Or visit codot.gov/projects/aerotropolis.



## TOP TRENDS



#### **Green Energy**

Adams County is home to both solar farms and wind gardens. Our eastern plains region provides an excellent canvas for innovative green technology endeavors.



#### **Aerospace**

Adams County is home to various aerospace companies like Lockheed Martin and Maxar Technologies. We also have a Spaceport in development. Learn more about opportunities at ftg-airport.com.



#### **Incubator Spaces**

Adams County contains incubator spaces for construction, technology, and everything in between.



#### **Technology**

Adams County has the space to accommodate large tech companies and manufacturing facilities. There is an abundance of land available for development, including 34 major business parks ranging from 75 to 6,300 acres.



#### Multi-Use Green Development

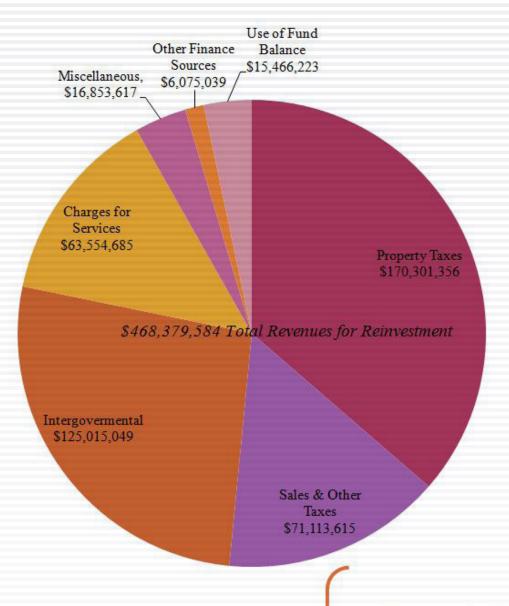
Adams County believes in collaborative spaces that are also great for the environment. Sustainability is an important focus as we continue to develop our future communities. Current developers have begun designing communities and communal spaces that are environmentally friendly as well as highly functional.



### **Corporate Conference Destination**

In late 2018, the Gaylord Rockies Resort and Conference Center will open its doors in Adams County. With confirmed bookings for the next three years, this will add thousands of retail and hospitality opportunities for businesses in Adams County.

## COUNTY REVENUES



Adams County is highly invested in funding the infrastructure necessary for businesses and the community to thrive. In 2017, the county generated \$468,379,584 in revenue to reinvest in ways to enhance our local infrastructure, programming, safety, and overall quality of life.

### COUNTY INVESTMENT

2017



\$128,827,165 HUMAN SERVICES



\$110,480,628 INFRASTRUCTURE AND

TRANSPORTATION



\$105,425,758 PUBLIC SAFETY



\$8,638,463
2017 TRANSPORTATION AND INFRASTRUCTURE CIP FUNDING



**\$8,221,009**ROAD AND BRIDGE FUND



\$581,064
BUSINESS AND SMALL BUSINESS
ATTRACTION AND SUPPORT

#### **2018 Capital Improvement Projects**

York St. widening from Highway 224 to 78th Ave. - Design/ROW Phase

58th Ave. widening from Washington St. to York St. - Design Phase

Dahlia St. widening from Highway 224 to I-76 - Design Phase

Lowell Blvd. Sidewalk Project - Design/ROW Phase

Steele St. Extension - Design/ROW Phase

Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Transition Plan – Design Phase

W. 60th Ave. Improvement Project – Construction Phase

56th Ave. widening from Federal Blvd. to Zuni St. - Construction Phase

Holly St. paving - Construction Phase

Berkeley Sidewalk Improvements – Design Phase

Riverdale Rd. Todd Creek Bridge Rehabilitation - Construction Phase

#### Other 2018 Projects

- City of Westminster 80th Ave. and Clay St. Lift Station Project
- Xcel Energy North Metro Natural Gas Pipeline Project
- Shooting Range and Landfill Remediation Project

For more information about Adams County's current CIP list, visit: adcogov.org/capital-improvement-program-cip-projects

## DISCOVER MORE

## Adams County Government adcogov.org

Adams County Economic Development adamscountyed.com

North Metro Denver Chamber of Commerce metronorthchamber.com

Small Business Development Resources coloradosbdc.org

