

# SNAPSHOT OF RURAL HEALTH IN COLORADO

- 2024 -



The State Office of Rural Health





### 217 counties

Baca, Bent, Cheyenne, Crowley, Huerfano, Kiowa, Kit Carson, Las Animas, Lincoln, Logan, Morgan, Otero, Phillips, Prowers, Sedgwick, Washington, Yuma



153,527

The estimated population in 2023. This is 21.3% of total rural population.

Median **Projected Age** 

Average life expectancy

22% of population that are < 18

20% of population that are 65 +

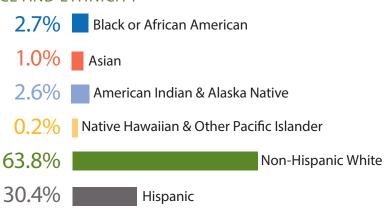


RURAL: A non-metropolitan county containing no municipalities over 50,000 residents.

FRONTIER: A county with a population density of 6 or fewer residents per square mile.

## **Eastern Plains Region**

#### RACE AND ETHNICITY



#### SOCIAL DETERMINANTS OF HEALTH

87.2%

52.7%

4.6%

81.0%

**High School** Education CO: 92.4%

Some College CO: 73.2%

Unemployment CO: 5.3%

**Broadband** Internet CO: 90.9%



\$50,718 Median Household Income CO: \$82,228



Household Income Required for Childcare CO: 30.2%`



16%

Living Under **Federal Poverty** I ine

The Census threshold for a family with two adults and one child was \$23,556 in 2022.



#### HOUSING

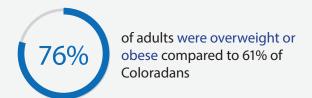
of households spend 50% or more of their income on housing

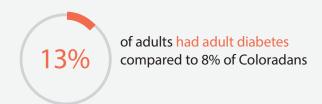




\$1,118 **Average Monthly** Mortgage 2023 CO: \$2,318

#### **HEALTH OUTCOMES**





#### MENTAL AND BEHAVIORAL HEALTH



The number of unintentional drug related overdoses



17% of the population experienced poor mental health on 14+ days of past 30 days



The number of lives lost by suicide 78% among men 14% among veteran



580.0 per 1,000 population age-adjusted opioid perscriptions dispensed

#### PATIENT TO PROVIDER RATIO



Regional Physicians: 1,895:1 State Physicians: 1,204:1



Regional Mental Health Providers: 479:1 State Mental Health: 234:1



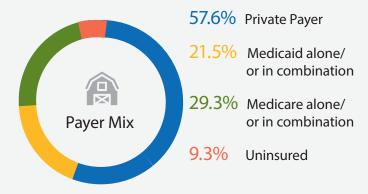
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☆ 658 Telehealth visits per 1,000 residents

38% of all payer telehealth visits were for behavioral health

#### **ACCESS TO CARE**

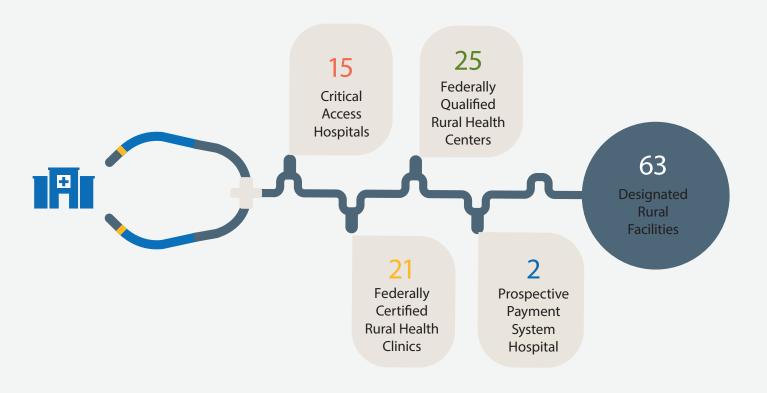




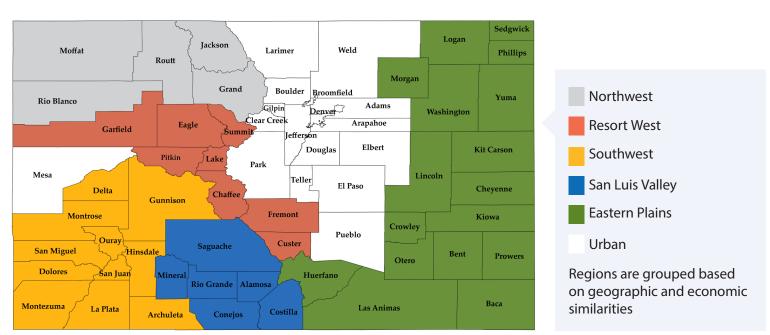
Percentage of female Medicare enrollees ages 65-74 that received an annual mammography screening

Average Years of Potential Life Lost: 9,391

## **Designated Rural Facilities**



#### **REGIONS**



For a detailed list of Snapshot data sources, please visit coruralhealth.org