

COLORADO HISTORIC NEWSPAPERS COLLECTION 2023 FAST FACTS

The Colorado Historic Newspapers Collection (CHNC) provides **free** access to **4 million digitized pages** representing over **735 individual newspaper titles** published in Colorado from **1859 to 2023** allowing users from across the globe to **"experience Colorado as it happened"**.

Quick Stats:

- Over 1 Million pages were added in 2023.
- CHNC includes content in 7 languages including English, German, Italian, Japanese, Slovenian, Spanish, and Swedish
- Over 200 individual and organizational contributors assist with content, funding, or text correction.
- There were 3.9 million pageviews in 2023.

Total pages by year from 2008 to 2024

*Page counts were reported at different times throughout the years

Total Pages

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| 2008: 449082 | 2014: 664333 | 2020: 1935029 |
| 2009: 525981 | 2015: 677060 | 2021: 2078596 |
| 2010: 549071 | 2016: 825557 | 2022: 2372034 |
| 2011: 607845 | 2017: 997482 | 2023: 3357860 |
| 2012: No Data | 2018: 1195130 | 2024: 3965402 |
| 2013: 616113 | 2019: 1513994 | |

After reaching 1 million pages in 2017 another 3 million have been added in the past 6 years!

Top 15 States Using CHNC

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| 1. Colorado | 26.33% | 8. Florida | 2.16% |
| 2. California | 5.14% | 9. Montana | 2.15% |
| 3. Texas | 4.47% | 10. Utah | 2.08% |
| 4. Arizona | 3.86% | 11. New Mexico | 2.03% |
| 5. New York | 2.97% | 12. Washington | 1.90% |
| 6. Illinois | 2.39% | 13. Georgia | 1.84% |
| 7. Virginia | 2.28% | 14. Ohio | 1.62% |
| | | 15. Idaho | 1.44% |

Users from all 50 states visited CHNC in 2023 and 26% of users were Coloradans.

Percent of CHNC users from the remaining states:

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| 16. Pennsylvania | 1.36% | 34. Nevada | 0.58% |
| 17. Wyoming | 1.35% | 35. Kentucky | 0.57% |
| 18. North Carolina | 1.34% | 36. Alabama | 0.52% |
| 19. Oregon | 1.33% | 37. South Carolina | 0.50% |
| 20. Michigan | 1.31% | 38. Arkansas | 0.47% |
| 21. Missouri | 1.28% | 39. Connecticut | 0.41% |
| 22. Nebraska | 1.08% | 40. Louisiana | 0.40% |
| 23. Massachusetts | 1.00% | 41. Mississippi | 0.32% |
| 24. Indiana | 0.96% | 42. Maine | 0.29% |
| 25. Tennessee | 0.93% | 43. West Virginia | 0.27% |
| 26. Wisconsin | 0.85% | 44. North Dakota | 0.24% |
| 27. Minnesota | 0.84% | 45. New Hampshire | 0.23% |
| 28. Kansas | 0.80% | 46. District of Columbia | 0.22% |
| 29. Iowa | 0.77% | 47. Hawaii | 0.17% |
| 30. South Dakota | 0.75% | 48. Alaska | 0.12% |
| 31. Oklahoma | 0.72% | 49. Vermont | 0.11% |
| 32. New Jersey | 0.62% | 50. Delaware | 0.10% |
| 33. Maryland | 0.59% | 51. Rhode Island | 0.08% |

Most Popular Titles:

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| 1. The Rocky Mountain News | 11. The Louisville Times |
| 2. The Steamboat Pilot | 12. The Rocky Mountain News (Weekly) |
| 3. The Colorado Transcript | 13. Montrose Daily Press |
| 4. The Herald Democrat | 14. Boulder Daily Camera |
| 5. The Estes Park Trail | 15. The Walsenburg World |
| 6. Golden Transcript | 16. The Douglas County News |
| 7. The Colorado Daily Chieftain | 17. The Florence Daily Tribune |
| 8. Craig Empire Courier | 18. Aspen Daily News |
| 9. The Eagle Valley Enterprise | 19. Westminster Journal |
| 10. The Aspen Times (weekly) | 20. The Vail Trail |

User Stats:

- CHNC had 226 thousand users in 2023.
- On average, each user visited 17 pages in 2023.
- There was 10 minutes of engagement per user on average.

The Number of Newspaper Titles Included per County

The three counties contributing the most newspaper titles are Denver 149, El Paso 54 and Boulder 34.

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| Adams | 4 | Elbert | 5 | Montezuma | 6 |
| Alamosa | 10 | Fremont | 9 | Montrose | 7 |
| Arapahoe | 8 | Garfield | 12 | Morgan | 7 |
| Archuleta | 2 | Gilpin | 8 | Otero | 5 |
| Baca | 3 | Grand | 3 | Ouray | 7 |
| Bent | 2 | Gunnison | 32 | Park | 4 |
| Boulder | 34 | Hinsdale | 5 | Phillips | 2 |
| Broomfield | 11 | Huerfano | 8 | Pitkin | 15 |
| Chaffee | 14 | Jackson | 2 | Prowers | 9 |
| Cheyenne | 4 | Jefferson | 12 | Pueblo | 26 |
| Clear Creek | 21 | Kiowa | 9 | Rio Blanco | 1 |
| Conejos | 6 | Kit Carson | 2 | Rio Grande | 4 |
| Costilla | 2 | La Plata | 22 | Routt | 7 |
| Crowley | 3 | Lake | 9 | Saguache | 12 |
| Custer | 6 | Larimer | 19 | San Juan | 8 |
| Delta | 7 | Las Animas | 13 | San Miguel | 12 |
| Denver | 149 | Lincoln | 1 | Sedgwick | 3 |
| Dolores | 4 | Logan | 3 | Summit | 12 |
| Douglas | 7 | Mesa | 11 | Teller | 7 |
| Eagle | 13 | Mineral | 4 | Washington | 7 |
| El Paso | 54 | Moffat | 8 | Weld | 9 |
| | | | | Yuma | 8 |

CHNC is accessed through...

- Mobile 54%
- Desktop 43%
- Tablet 3%
- Smart TV .0002%

48 users accessed CHNC through a smart TV in 2023.

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