

# Colorado Historic Newspaper Collection

## 2025 Fast Facts

The Colorado Historic Newspapers Collection (CHNC) provides free access to more than 7.5 million digitized pages from over 945 individual newspaper titles published in Colorado from 1859 to 2025 allowing users from across the globe to "experience Colorado as it happened".

## Quick Stats

- Nearly 2.4 million pages were added in 2025!
- 7 languages represented including English, German, Italian, Japanese, Slovenian, Spanish, and Swedish.
- Over 278 individual and organizational contributors assist with content, funding, or text correction.
- There were 5.9 million page views in 2025.

## Total Pages by Year

The following table lays out the total pages for each year between 2010 to 2026. Over 3 million more pages have been added since we reached the milestone of 4 million pages in 2024! Note that the totals were reported at different times throughout the year.

Year	Total Pages
2010	549,071
2011	607,845
2012	607,845
2013	616,113
2014	664,333
2015	677,060
2016	825,557
2017	997,482
2018	1,195,130
2019	1,513,994
2020	1,935,029
2021	2,078,596
2022	2,372,034

2023	3,357,850
2024	4,620,596
2025	5,151,659
2026	7,524,372

## Top 15 States Using CHNC

Users from all 50 states visited CHNC in 2025 and 23% of users were Coloradans. Below is a table showing the top 15 states that used CHNC in 2025 along with the number of active users from each of those states.

Region	Active users
Colorado	96632
California	30078
Texas	23906
Arizona	22210
Iowa	20068
Virginia	15453
New York	14868
Ohio	13985
Florida	13120
Illinois	12918
Washington	10182
Massachusetts	7915
Georgia	7723
Pennsylvania	5969
Utah	5365

## Most Popular Titles

The most popular newspapers based on the number of views are outlined in the table below.

Title	Views
The Rocky Mountain News (Daily)	1178899
Douglas County News-Press	184906
The Vail Trail	84453
The Steamboat Pilot	77649
The Estes Park Trail	63946
The Colorado Transcript	59696

Aspen Daily News	54429
The Herald Democrat	53675
The Colorado Daily Chieftain	53289
Boulder Daily Camera	52956
Golden Transcript	46723
The Louisville Times	45768
The Rocky Mountain News (Weekly)	43832
The Aspen Times (weekly)	39005
Craig Empire Courier	33790

## Number of Newspaper Titles Included by County

Three counties in Colorado had the most titles in 2025: Denver (181 titles), El Paso (57 titles), and Boulder (48 titles.) The below table outlines the number of titles by each county in Colorado.

County	Number of Titles
Adams	7
Alamosa	13
Arapahoe	20
Archuleta	2
Baca	3
Bent	3
Boulder	48
Broomfield	11
Chaffee	16
Cheyenne	7
Clear Creek	24
Conejos	8
Costilla	3
Crowley	3
Custer	6
Delta	9
Denver	181
Dolores	4
Douglas	7
Eagle	16
Elbert	8
El Paso	57
Fremont	12
Garfield	18

Gilpin	22
Grand	14
Gunnison	33
Hinsdale	5
Huerfano	9
Jackson	2
Jefferson	16
Kiowa	9
Kit Carson	3
Lake	11
La Plata	22
Larimer	24
Las Animas	14
Lincoln	4
Logan	6
Mesa	38
Mineral	4
Moffat	14
Montezuma	6
Montrose	8
Morgan	8
Otero	6
Ouray	7
Park	5
Phillips	4
Pitkin	19
Prowers	10
Pueblo	29
Rio Blanco	2
Rio Grande	8
Routt	9
Saguache	13
San Juan	8
San Miguel	13
Sedgwick	4
Summit	12
Teller	8
Washington	7
Weld	17
Yuma	8

## User Stats

- There were 467 thousand users in 2025.
- 13 page views on average per user.
- About 5 minutes of engagement per user on average.
- CHNC is accessed through mobile devices (51% of users), desktop computers (47% of users), tablets (2% of users) and smart TV (less than 1% of users.)

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