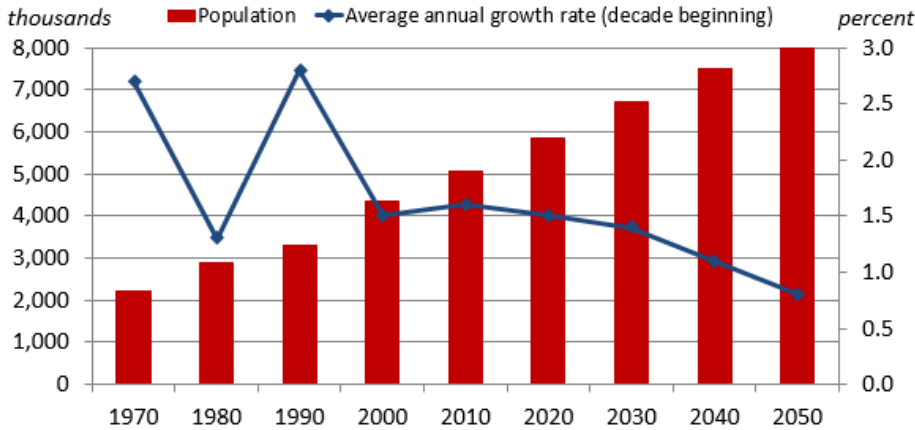


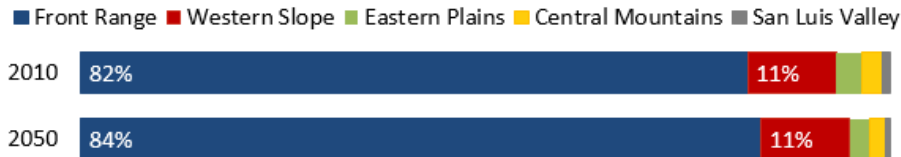
COLORADO POPULATION 1970-2050

Slower growth, rapid aging, and increased diversity

Colorado's population was just over 5 million in 2010. Growth rates are expected to decline slowly over the next few decades to reach close to 8 million by 2050.

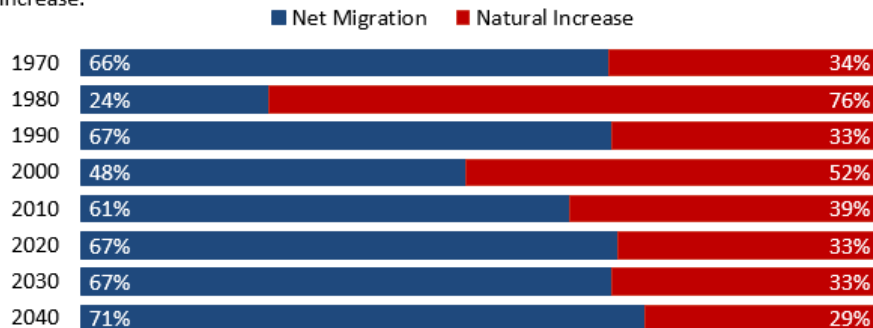


Growth rates vary significantly across Colorado. The majority of Coloradans are expected to continue to reside along the front range.



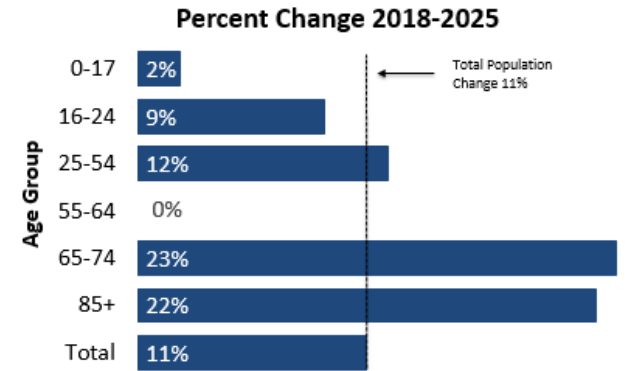
Components of Change

Population growth in Colorado was dominated by migration in the 1970's and 90's. Migration due to job growth and the replacement of retired workers will continue to fuel Colorado's population growth as our aging population puts downward pressure on natural increase.

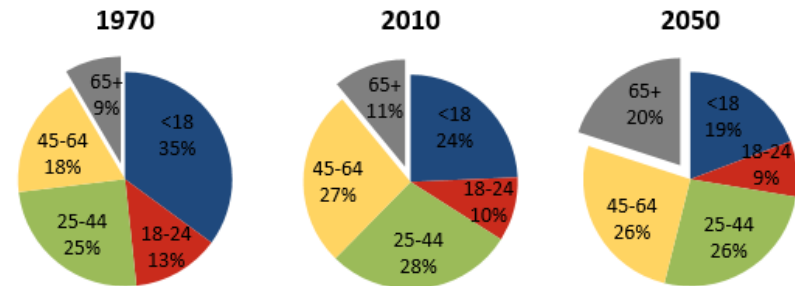


Aging of the Population

Colorado has begun to experience rapid increases in the population over age 65 with the movement of the baby boom generation into older age groups. The number of persons over age 65 in 2050 will be nearly 3 times as many as in 2010, growing twice as fast as the total population.



The aging of Colorado residents will generate rising shares of its older population. The majority of change will occur this decade, leveling off to relatively stable shares after 2030.



Diversity by Age

Increases in diversity will be most significant for older age groups as younger, more diverse populations age.

