America’s favorite connecting hub...

where the Rocky Mountains meet the world.
Denver International Airport is located in the geographic center of the United States and is a critical link for business and leisure travelers around the world.

- 5th busiest commercial passenger airport in U.S.
- 15th busiest commercial passenger airport in the world
- 52.6 million passengers in 2013
- 1,550 daily scheduled commercial flights to more than 180 nonstop destinations from Denver
- 3rd largest domestic network in U.S. – but only 18th largest city in U.S.
- Service to more than 20 international destinations in 9 countries
Growing for the Future

Denver International Airport is the largest airport in North America and one of the largest in the world. Size is its biggest asset, with room to grow and adapt to the ever-changing global aviation market.

- 53 square miles of airport property, providing more than 9,000 acres (3,642 hectares) of developable airport land
- Room to double in size: 12 runways and 100 million passengers
- 529-room Westin Denver International Airport Hotel and conference center connected to terminal – opens late 2016
- Commuter rail will link airport with downtown Denver – 35 minute ride. Service begins in 2016

“Metro Denver’s expansion will proceed undeterred over the next couple of years, with job and income growth easily exceeding the regional and national averages. High industrial diversity and a well-educated workforce provide numerous avenues for growth longer term. In-migration will be robust because of plentiful job opportunities, and Denver will be a top performer over the extended forecast horizon.”

– Moody’s Analytics, August 2014
Denver, Colorado is known around the world for its natural beauty, healthy lifestyles and thriving business community:
- 3 million people in Denver metro area
- The largest city in the Mountain West Region
- Ranks first among large U.S. metros for total population gain in the 25-34 age group
- Colorado was the third-fastest growing state in 2013 (U.S. Census Bureau, 2014)

"The Colorado economy continues to stand out as one of the best in the nation. The most promising aspect of the state’s economy continues to come from the tech sector, which has posted solid gains in a number of high-paying industries. Strong job growth and low unemployment has fueled in-migration, resulting in population growth more than double the national average.”

- Wells Fargo Securities, August 26, 2014
Highly Educated, Highly Industrious

“Colorado is the nation’s second-most highly educated state for residents (37 percent) with a bachelor’s degree or higher” – U.S. Census Bureau, 2013

The Denver metro area is home to major research and development facilities, and is a proven incubator for small businesses and startup companies.

- Colorado ranks first for labor prospects (Forbes, 2013)
- Colorado is the nation’s second-most highly educated state for residents (37 percent) with a bachelor’s degree or higher (U.S. Census Bureau, 2013)
- Metro Denver has a historically enjoyed higher household incomes than much of the nation due to the high education attainment levels of the Metro Denver workforce and a higher-than-average concentration of two-earner households

Industry Clusters:

- **Aerospace and Aviation**: More than 400 aerospace companies and 20,000 people employed by aerospace companies; Metro Denver has the largest total of private aerospace workers of any U.S. metro area.
- **Bioscience**: Over 15,000 bioscience workers across 600 companies are located in the Denver area. These companies are conducting cutting-edge research to find cures for diseases, improve agricultural yields and develop advanced medical device technology.
- **Energy**: Metro Denver and the Northern Colorado region ranked fourth for fossil fuel energy employment and sixth for clean tech employment among the nation’s largest metro areas.
- **Information Technology**: For the sixth straight year, Metro Denver has had the third-highest concentration of high-tech workers in the U.S. – employing over 45,000 people in the IT-Software side of the industry.
Just past the downtown Denver cityscape lie the majestic Rocky Mountains, which draw visitors and businesses from around the world. Colorado is consistently among the top places to live, with ample sunshine and an active lifestyle that makes the state one of the best places in the world to live, work, and play.

- Metro Denver is one of the healthiest regions in the U.S.
- Colorado has the nation’s lowest rate of obesity and is among the five lowest states for deaths caused by heart disease, diabetes, and cancer
- Colorado ranks first for physical activity (Trust for America’s Health, 2013; Kaiser State Health Facts, 2013)
- Colorado’s climate and the splendor of both the mountains and the wide-open plains give the state’s recreational character an extraordinary sense of diversity. With over 300 days of sunshine annually, visitors enjoy:
  - Ten national parks provide an incredible variety of outdoor recreational opportunities and receive almost 5.5 million annual visitors
  - Colorado’s 42 state parks and numerous outdoor recreation areas provide opportunities for hiking, camping, swimming, boating, snowmobiling, bird watching, picnicking, fishing, hunting, and biking
  - Colorado is the country’s most popular ski destination, with 26 world class ski resorts

“Colorado ranks first for physical activity”
An Environment for Innovation

Colorado is a leader in technology, research, education and tourism. It's that powerful combination that has made the Denver area a powerhouse for businesses around the world and a crucible for innovation and entrepreneurism.

- A top three state for supporting innovation (U.S. Chamber of Commerce Enterprising States Report, 2013)
- Fourth in country for number of new businesses (U.S. Chamber of Commerce Enterprising States Report, 2013)
- Sixth “Best Place for Business and Careers” (Forbes, 2013)
- Eighth best tax climate for small businesses and entrepreneurs (Small Business & Entrepreneurship Council, 2013)
- Eighth best city with a population over 500,000 for young entrepreneurs (Under30CEO.com, 2013)

Key initiatives driving the entrepreneurial economy:

- Galvanize is an organization that offers Denver metro start-ups working spaces designed to give entrepreneurs and innovators a community where they can spark ideas and build companies through the three pillars of capital, community and curriculum
- TEDxMileHigh showcases innovative Coloradans, who each give the “talk of their life” around the power of ideas. This diverse group of thought leaders and innovators educate, inspire, and stimulate change with the ultimate goal being deep discussion and action

“Eighth best city with a population over 500,000 for young entrepreneurs” –Under30CEO.com, 2013

Tourism & Natural Wonders

Rings indicate drive times from Denver.

Colorado Fortune 1,000 Companies