

CHOOSE  COLORADO



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Doing Business in Colorado



MOUNTAIN TIME ZONE provides companies with real-time connections to six of seven continents in one business day



CENTRAL U.S. LOCATION with easy access via the nation's 5th busiest airport



1st
BEST PLACE FOR BUSINESS & CAREERS ¹

1st
STATE FOR LABOR SUPPLY ²

3rd
MOST EDUCATED STATE ³

3rd
FASTEST GROWING ECONOMY IN THE U.S. ⁴

1st
BEST PLACE TO DO BUSINESS ⁵

30
FEDERAL RESEARCH LABS

4th
IN VENTURE CAPITAL DEALS AND DOLLARS ⁶

A Diverse Portfolio of Industries with Valuable Synergies

	Advanced Manufacturing	Nearly 6K manufacturers across business sectors: electronics, energy, aerospace, biomedical, and food & beverage
	Aerospace	Second-largest aerospace economy
	Bioscience	30k+ employees in 720 bioscience companies; 4.4% direct employment growth from 2012-14 \$1B in venture investments since 2012 6th largest medical device sector
	Energy	4th in cleantech employment, 6th in natural gas production, 7th in oil production, 9th in solar capacity
	Financial Services	Region's 2nd fastest growing industry in 2015
	Health and Wellness	Posted its 12th-consecutive year of employment growth in 2015
	Information Technology	Third in the nation for high-tech workers per capita
	Outdoor Recreation & Tourism	State parks and outdoor activities generate \$13.2B in consumer spending

Business Resources and Incentives

Your bottom line is our first priority. And at the end of the day, our mission is to encourage a supportive economic environment in which companies can successfully launch and mature, which is where our extensive collection of incentive and tax credit programs come into play.



- Biotechnology Sales and Use Tax Refund
- Manufacturing Sales and Use Tax Exemption
- Job Growth Tax Exemption
- Strategic Fund Incentive
- Enterprise Zone Tax Credits
- Job Training Grant Program
- Advanced Industries Investment Tax Credit
- Advanced Industries Accelerator Programs

For additional details and resources on state incentive programs, please see www.choosecolorado.com

ACCESS TO CAPITAL

\$363M

Invested in bioscience in
2016 ¹

Advanced Industries Accelerator Grant Program

- \$5.5M annually for bioscience
- 333 grants awarded
- 56 new companies
- \$530M follow on investment

1. Includes grant funding, venture and angel capital investment



Major Employers, Relocations & Expansions

MAJOR EXPANSIONS & NOTABLE BRANDS



HEADQUARTER RELOCATIONS



MERGERS & ACQUISITIONS



Colorado's Talent & Knowledge Base



Colorado continues to attract smart talent globally and is home to a skilled workforce.

3rd in educational attainment in the U.S.

5th in the U.S. for the number of scientists and engineers as a share of all occupations

A dynamic and young population: Denver's largest generational group is the millennials

**3 nationally
ranked bioscience
graduate programs**

**1 of 5 U.S.
Patent Offices**

**6th highest
for
(SBIR) grants ¹**

Colorado's Life Science Infrastructure

CU Boulder - Colorado BioFrontiers Institute

Sponsored Research Funding – \$425.6M

Access to core facilities

Four primary interdisciplinary research areas: Large Datasets and Genomics;
Bioimaging: From Molecules to Organisms; New Therapeutic Paradigms;
Regenerative Biology

Colorado State University

Sponsored Research Funding – \$320M

Institute for Biologic Translational Therapies (\$65M Gift)

Flint Animal Cancer Center – internationally recognized leader in
clinical veterinary oncology and cancer research

University of Colorado Anschutz Medical Campus

Schools of Medicine, Pharmacy, Nursing, Dentistry, Public Health

Sponsored Research Funding – \$420M

Hospitals – UC Health, Children's, VA

Marcus Institute for Brain Health (\$38M Gift)

Center for Personalized Medicine & Biomedical Informatics (\$63M Gift)

Gates Center for Regenerative Medicine

Gates BioManufacturing Center

StartUp Health Colorado



Colorado's Life Science Infrastructure: Incubators

- ❖ **Bioscience Park Center** - 215,000 sq. ft. R&D, office, education and lab space adjacent to the Anschutz Medical Campus.
- ❖ **Innosphere** - High-tech incubator in Denver, Boulder & Fort Collins supporting entrepreneurs building high-growth companies in health innovation, life sciences, software & hardware, energy and & advanced materials.
- ❖ **Boomtown Accelerator** - A major focus at Boomtown is developing and adapting a program that is best suited for the startup. The curriculum is customized to the needs of the individual startup, supporting and educating entrepreneurs where they need it the most.
- ❖ **Research Innovation Center** - Hub for university scientists and students to partner with businesses to develop new products to treat and diagnose infectious diseases.
- ❖ **Catalyst HTI** - Bringing together private enterprise (startups to Fortune 100), government, academic and non-profit organizations with healthcare providers and payers to accelerate innovation.



Contract Research, Design & Manufacturing



Where Access Meets Advantage

Denver International Airport (DEN)

5th Busiest airport in the U.S.

54M passengers in 2015

Serves 20 international destinations in 7 countries

Reach 180 nonstop destinations

22 commercial airlines

3rd largest domestic network

1.7K flights daily = 1 flight per minute

80 regional airports

Non-stop international service includes
Germany, the UK, Mexico, Iceland, and
Japan

DOMESTIC FLIGHT TIMES	
Atlanta	2:25
Austin	2:00
Chicago	1:53
Houston	2:20
Los Angeles	1:59
New York	3:14
San Diego	1:58
San Francisco	2:14
Seattle	2:26



Source: DEN Air Service Profile, 2016

Why People Choose Colorado

An outstanding quality of life makes Colorado a highly desirable location to recruit and retain talented workers.

1st For arts participation ¹

1st Most active state, lowest obesity rate in the U.S. ²

Denver 1st Best place to live in the U.S. ³

2nd Best state to live in ⁴

4th Happiest state ⁵

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