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HOW TO USE DATA TOOLS

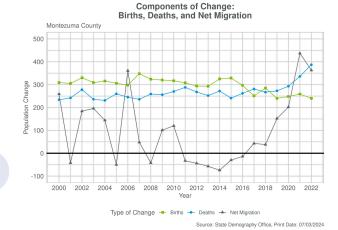## CO DEMOGRAPHER COMMUNITY PROFILE

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Department of Local Affairs
State Demography Office

The Colorado Demography Office has many useful data sets and maps to help you tell your story. You can access data visualizations, data spreadsheets, data lookup applications, data spreadsheets, data links, and technical documentation by topic or geography. The Demographic Profiles are extensive including Population Trends + Characteristics, Housing, Commuting + Job Growth, and Employment.

WHAT IS MOST USEFUL ABOUT THIS TOOL?

The breadth of data in this tool are all aggregated in one place for your county or your municipality. There are data sets and graphs that you can download for your use in presentations and reports.

Components of Change: Births, Deaths, and Net Migration
Montezuma County

Type of Change — Births — Deaths — Net Migration
Source: State Demography Office, Print Date: 07/03/2024

https://gis.dola.colorado.gov/apps/ProfileDashboard2/

POLCO - GOVERNMENT PERFORMANCE + ACTION LEARNING

Polco

GPAL curates public data from the nation's most trusted sources. Experts spent thousands of hours curating, cleaning, and integrating hundreds of data points into one user-friendly platform. GPAL empowers governments to measure performance across all areas of community livability, visualize your data in user-friendly dashboards, know where your city stands compared to the nation, take a holistic approach to data-driven decision-making.

https://info.polco.us/gpal-government-performance-action-learning

WHAT IS MOST USEFUL ABOUT THIS TOOL?

- Streamline strategic planning
- Win grant funding
- Inform budget allocation
- Get instant community livability reports
- Measure city performance
- Make data-driven decisions easier

CSU - RURAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INSTITUTE

REDI@CSU
Regional Economic Development Institute

The Economic Indicator Dashboard + Reports – These tools focus on specific data sets such as housing our entrepreneurship and go in-depth **Colorado Food Systems Data Explorer** - This mapping and reporting tool was created by a team of national and state food systems stakeholders to locate the most useful information around food systems indicators and community capital**.**

https://csuredi.org/economic-indicator-reports/#
https://foodsystems.colostate.edu/co-foodsystems-map/

WHAT IS MOST USEFUL ABOUT THESE TOOLS?

CSU can use its many connections with researchers to aggregate strong data paired with strong tools and has many resources to help navigate it.

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HOW TO USE DATA TOOLS - KSU

KSU - PLATFORM FOR EXPLORING ENVIRONMENTAL RECORDS

The Community Lattice Platform for Exploring Environmental Records (PEER) is an interactive, open-source data tool that informs brownfields redevelopment and planning decisions. The tool aggregates and displays publicly-available environmental records in an easy-to-use, accessible way. By using PEER, communities can immediately find critical site data to help them begin assessment, save time and money, and draw in the right professionals, partners, and resources to move forward. For each environmental record, PEER provides a Revitalization Risk Rating (RRR), which indicates the likelihood of encountering a release of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant on the associated property.

PEER

WHY DO I USE THIS TOOL?

PEER can help you understand what potential hazards exist and any data and cleanup that has been gathered and performed. This can help you to understand the context of your community and site as well as opportunities to combine sites for brownfield assessments.

KSU - BROWNFIELD INVENTORY TOOL

This tool, available online and as a mobile app, helps with comprehensive site inventories and brownfields program management. BiT was designed for users working under an EPA cooperative agreement requiring submittals through the Assessment Cleanup and Redevelopment Exchange System (ACRES). Anyone establishing a site inventory database or consolidating environmental administration information will find BiT helpful.

KSU TAB BiT

WHY DO I USE THIS TOOL?

- Free and user friendly
- Helpful resources and instructions
- Easy data entry and document uploads
- Import and export data for individual or multiple sites
- Interface with EPA ACRES for reporting and data transfer
- Collaborative for multiple users
- Password-protected to prevent unauthorized access

KSU -TAB EZ BROWNFIELDS GRANT WRITING TOOL

This online tool helps streamline and simplify the grant writing process when applying for EPA brownfields multipurpose, assessment, revolving loan fund and cleanup (MARC) grants. TAB EZ helps level the playing field for smaller local governments and communities — and giving them a better chance of obtaining grant funds — by providing a framework for proposals as well as strategies and tips to save time.

KSU TabEZ

WHY DO I USE THIS TOOL?

TAB EZ has helpful tips and tools to help you gather the right data needed for a successful EPA application so you can Get It Done.

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APPENDIX E

USEFUL
LINKS

COMMUNICATION TOOL KIT

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USEFUL LINKS

DCI CHALLENGE PROGRAM PAGE –
https://www.downtowncoloradoinc.org/challenge-program/

KSU PLATFORM FOR EXPLORING ENVIRONMENTAL RECORDS – bit.ly/CLPEER

KSU BROWNFIELD INVENTORY TOOL – bit.ly/KSUBiTool

KSU TAB EZ BROWNFIELDS GRANT WRITING TOOL- bit.ly/ksutabez

KSU BROWNFIELD INVENTORY TOOL HELPFUL TIPS –
https://drive.google.com/file/d/182PBk7JYpcu0dGtVuGw-GMEAQ9AHKVZ_/view?usp=share_link

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS EXAMPLES –
https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1lCGWe2UyOsTZzTVcCTaE0i-LZL7xnDTE?usp=share_link

PROFORMA TEMPLATE –
https://mergersandinquisitions.com/real-estate-pro-forma/

DCI RESOURCE LIBRARIES –
>   URA + District Resource Page:
>   https://www.downtowncoloradoinc.org/ura-districts-resource-page/
>   Training + Resource Center:
>   https://www.downtowncoloradoinc.org/trainings-resources/