



BEARFACTS 1988 – 1998

Boulder , Colorado [08013]

Boulder is one of 63 counties in Colorado. It is part of the [Boulder, CO \(MSA\)](#). Its 1998 population of 277,562 ranked 6th in the state.

PER CAPITA PERSONAL INCOME

In 1998 Boulder had a per capita personal income (PCPI) of \$33,672. This PCPI ranked 6th in the state and was 117 percent of the state average, \$28,784, and 125 percent of the national average, \$26,883. The 1998 PCPI reflected an increase of 6.8 percent from 1997. The 1997-1998 state change was 7.2 percent and the national change was 6.1 percent. In 1988 the PCPI of Boulder was \$19,260 and ranked 5th in the state. The 1988-1998 average annual growth rate of PCPI was 5.7 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 5.3 percent and for the nation was 4.5 percent.

TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

In 1998 Boulder had a total personal income (TPI) of \$9,346,188*. This TPI ranked 5th in the state and accounted for 7.9 percent of the state total. In 1988 the TPI of Boulder was \$4,235,634* and ranked 5th in the state. The 1998 TPI reflected an increase of 9.5 percent from 1997. The 1997-1998 state change was 9.8 percent and the national change was 7.4 percent. The 1988-1998 average annual growth rate of TPI was 8.2 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 7.8 percent and for the nation was 5.8 percent.

COMPONENTS OF TOTAL PERSONAL INCOME

Total personal income includes net earnings by place of residence; dividends, interest, and rent; and personal current transfer receipts received by the residents of Boulder. In 1998 net earnings accounted for 71.3 percent of TPI (compared with 74.6 in 1988); dividends, interest, and rent were 23.2 percent (compared with 19.2 in 1988); and personal current transfer receipts were 5.5 percent (compared with 6.3 in 1988). From 1997 to 1998 net earnings increased 10.4 percent; dividends, interest, and rent increased 8.9 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased 1.5 percent. From 1988 to 1998 net earnings increased on average 7.7 percent each year; dividends, interest, and rent increased on average 10.3 percent; and personal current transfer receipts increased on average 6.9 percent.

EARNINGS BY PLACE OF WORK

Earnings of persons employed in Boulder increased from \$6,929,157* in 1997 to \$8,052,000* in 1998, an increase of 16.2 percent. The 1997-1998 state change was 10.2 percent and the national change was 7.8 percent. The average annual growth rate from the 1988 estimate of \$3,251,378* to the 1998 estimate was 9.5 percent. The average annual growth rate for the state was 7.8 percent and for the nation was 5.5 percent.

**Note: All income estimates with the exception of PCPI are in thousands of dollars, not adjusted for inflation.*

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