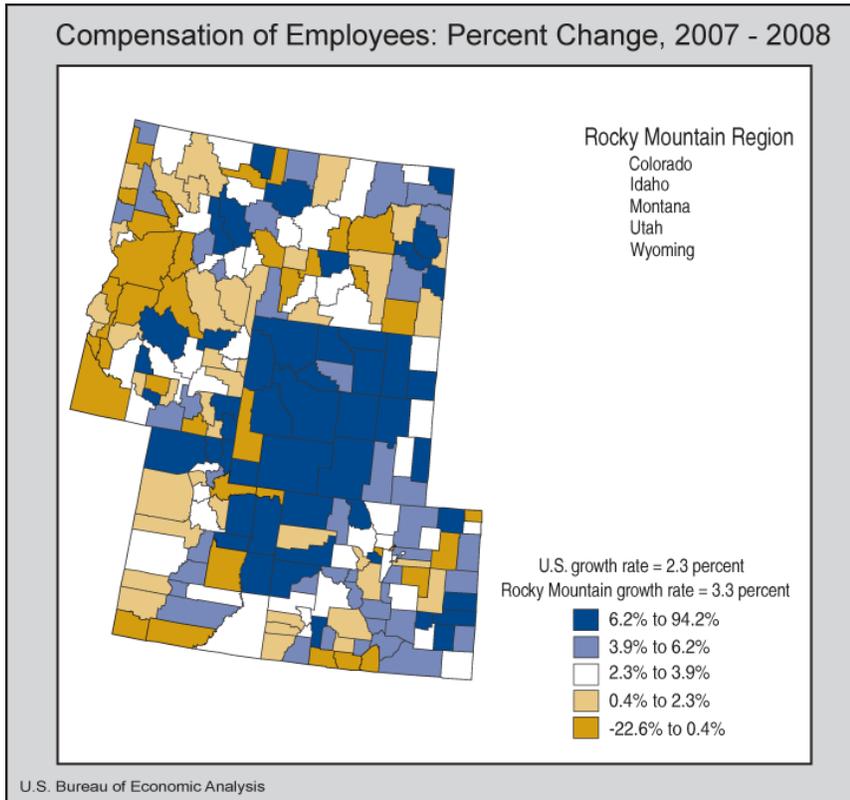


## County Compensation by Industry: Rocky Mountain Region

- The Rocky Mountain region accounted for 3.4 percent of the nation's total compensation in 2008. Of the 168 counties in the nation with at least \$10 billion in total compensation, 7 were in the Rocky Mountain region and accounted for 50.4 percent of the region's total compensation.



In the Rocky Mountain region:

- Total compensation grew in 181 of 216 counties in 2008. The largest growth occurred in Duchesne County, Utah at 21.3 percent, while the largest contraction occurred in Sedgwick County, Colorado at -20.1 percent.

- Total compensation in the mining sector grew fastest at 16.5 percent, while the real estate and rental and leasing sector contracted fastest at -4.6 percent in 2008.

- The professional, scientific, and technical services sector accounted for the largest share of total compensation at 9.1 percent.

- Growth in total compensation

accelerated in 22 percent of counties. The largest acceleration occurred in Big Horn County, Wyoming driven by the mining sector.

- Average annual compensation per job increased in 200 of 216 counties in 2008. Butte County, Idaho had the highest average compensation at \$84,111, while Petroleum County, Montana had the lowest average compensation at \$27,285.

### Largest Counties in the Rocky Mountain region by 2008 Total Compensation (millions of dollars)

County	Total Compensation in 2007	Total Compensation in 2008	Percent Change
Denver, Colorado	31,726	32,826	3.5
Salt Lake, Utah	32,016	32,769	2.4
Arapahoe, Colorado	19,160	19,509	1.8
El Paso, Colorado	15,591	16,142	3.5
Jefferson, Colorado	12,460	12,933	3.8

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