County Profile: Jefferson County (Urban)

County Overview

Population Information 2023*

Total Population	Unique Lives in the CO APCD	Insured Population**
574,001	**396,890**	**543,902**

% Total Population in the CO APCD	% Total Insured Population in the CO APCD
69%	**73%**

*Data comes from the CO APCD Insights Dashboard, with data from reporting year 2023. See full considerations and methodology for Insights Dashboard population reporting.

**County population and insured estimates are based on five years of Census data leading up to the selected year.

Map of Colorado Counties
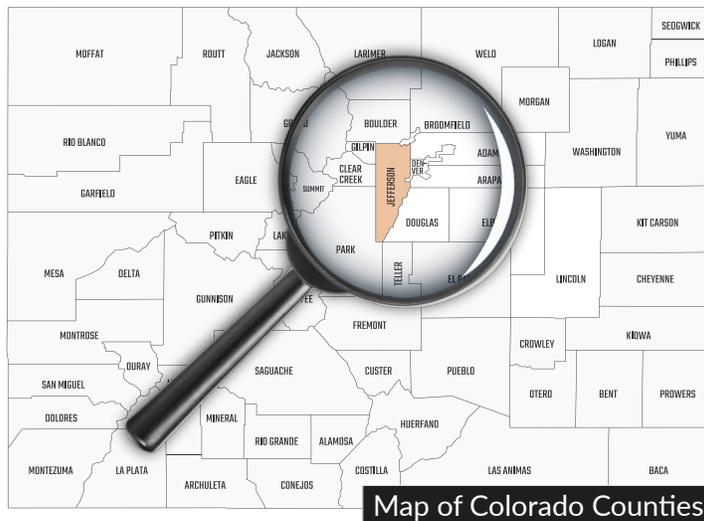
Year-Over-Year County Enrollment

Commercial

08/2024	08/2025
225,790	207,650

▼ **8.7%**

Medicaid

08/2024	08/2025
76,125	75,901

▼ **0.3%**

Commercial and Medicaid only, does not include Medicare Fee-for-Service or Advantage.

Spending on Care in Jefferson County

Payments Made by Health Plans and Patients Combined | All Payers, 2023 | Per Person Per Year (PPPY)

All data in this section comes from the Community Dashboard, with most recent data through reporting year 2023.

Total Cost Per Patient + Plan	Statewide Average	County Rank
$7,956	**$8,231**	**9**
		Lower is better, out of 64 counties

Inpatient	Outpatient	Professional	Pharmacy
$1,680	$1,681	$2,962	$1,812

County Trends and Notes | All measures reflect data from the Community Dashboard (2013 -2023)

- Jefferson County has a **lower overall spending on care compared to most Colorado counties**. In 2023, the county ranked 9th (ranked lowest to highest) for total cost of care (plan + patient), landing in the top 10 alongside other Denver Metro counties including Adams, Broomfield, and Denver.

- Jefferson County has a **relatively low rate of potentially preventable emergency department visits**. In 2023, the county recorded 87 visits per 1,000 people, compared to the statewide benchmark of 119.

- Jefferson County has **slightly above-average primary care use**. In 2023, the county recorded 595 visits per 1,000 people, compared to the statewide benchmark of 547. Overall, the county aligns closely with statewide and urban trends for utilization.

Explore more county profiles and download the full underlying dataset for the Community Dashboard on civhc.org.