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Golden Population Profile

Year	Population
1960	7,118
1970	9,817
1980	12,237
1985	12,763
1990	13,116
2000	17,159
2010 (Projected)	18,955
Age Composition	
	2000
Under 5	977
5 - 14	1,850
15 - 19	1,664
20 - 24	1,899
25 - 44	5,732
45 - 54	2,383
55 - 59	772
Over 60	2,582
Education in 2000	
Percent completed High School	92.4%
Percent completed College	46.3%

Source: U.S. Census and City of Golden

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2000 Jefferson County Population

County-Wide Population	517,926
Arvada	99,306
Golden	17,159
Lakewood	144,126

Westminster*	42,521
Wheat Ridge	32,913
Unincorporated Jefferson County	181,666
DENVER/MSA	2,414,649
COLORADO	4,301,261

*Municipality is located in multiple counties. Number reflects population in Jefferson County only.
[2000 Census data \(pdf\)](#) for Golden was recently released by the Census Bureau. This presents the first update to this type of data since 1990.

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Golden Income and Poverty Status - 2000

Income	
Median Household Income	\$49,115
Median Family Income	\$67,414
Per Capita Income	\$25,257
Percent of Population Below Poverty Level	
Female Head of Household Families	5
Families	3.5
Persons 65 and over	7.6
Persons of all ages	11.3

Source: 2000 Census

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Jefferson County Climate

Average Days of Sunshine	255 days annually - 70% sunshine
Hottest Month	July - average temp = 74 degrees
Coldest Month	January - average temp = 30 degrees
Annual Precipitation	15.4 inches (average)
Annual Snowfall	60.3 inches (average)
Average Humidity	40 percent

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Golden Labor Force Profile

Year	Employees
1960	2,770
1970	3,966
1980	6,030
1985	7,157
1990	7,450
2000	9,882
2010	11,000 (est)
Occupation	
	2000
Managerial/Professional	4,380
Sales	2,562
Service	1,095
Construction Extraction	789
Production, Transportation, Materials	662
Farming/Forestry	8
Unemployed	2.9%

Source: 2000 Census and City of Golden

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Transportation

Bus Service

Denver Metro Transit System (RTD)
Greyhound Bus Lines

Rail Service in Metro Area

Amtrak
Burlington Northern
Denver & Rio Grande Western/SP
Santa Fe Railway
Union Pacific

Air Service in the Metro Area (and the distance from Golden)

Denver International Airport (30 miles)
Jefferson County Airport (14 miles)
(Local shuttle service to all airports)

Taxi

Golden - Transportation Co.
Yellow Cab Co.

Zone Cab Co.

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Visitors

Approximately 2.5 million visitors are attracted to the Golden area each year; to destinations such as:

- | Heritage Square (619,300)
- | Golden Gate State Park (543,355)
- | Buffalo Bill's Museum (526,900)
- | Coors Brewery Tours (302,650)
- | Colorado Railroad Museum (49,106)
- | Mother Cabrini Shrine (90,000)
- | Jefferson County Nature Center (9,078)
- | Foothills Art Center (30,000)
- | School of Mines Geology Museum (18,000)

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