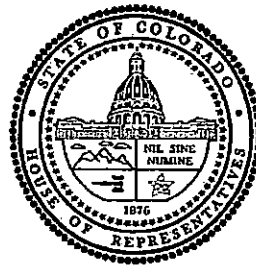


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HB 15-1085

Information Packet

TRANSPARANCY

vs.

COST?

Maybe we can have both!

15-1085 Talking Paper

Under current law Counties must publish expenditure reports each month and a financial statement twice a year in a newspaper of record. This bill gives counties the option of publishing the same information online.

1. The first goal should be transparent information.
 - a. This process makes it more transparent.
 - b. For most people it is more readily available.
 - c. If you are searching for specifics it is more convenient.
 - d. You can search different counties anywhere in the state.
 2. The saving for all counties will equal (Still gathering info but we are over \$650,000 with only ½ of counties reported.)
 - a. That should be high on the list of why we are here. To create efficiency at all levels of gov.
 3. No one is hurt.
 - a. Nobody loses any benefits
 - b. No county programs are cut
 - c. Money is available for other uses.
 4. The only objection is from newspapers
 - a. The times are changing
 - b. Newspaper will have to change
 - c. It is not the job of gov to subsidize print.
 5. It is optional, not mandatory. If a county want to keep using the daily paper they can .
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COLORADO –

5,187,582 population (2012 Est.)

4,058,749 Internet users as of June/10, 79.9% of the population, per IWS.

Source:

Internet World Stats

Internet World Stats is an International website that features up to date world Internet Usage, Population Statistics, Travel Stats and Internet Market Research Data, for over 233 individual countries and world regions. See the [Internet Big Picture here](#).

<http://www.internetworldstats.com/>

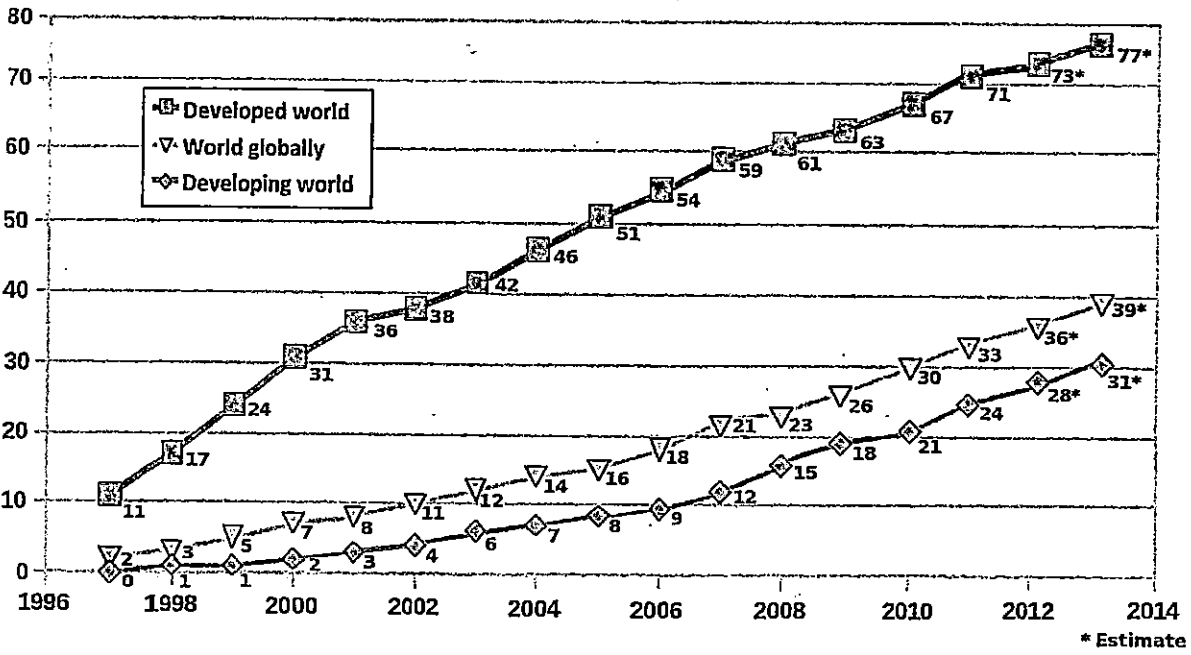
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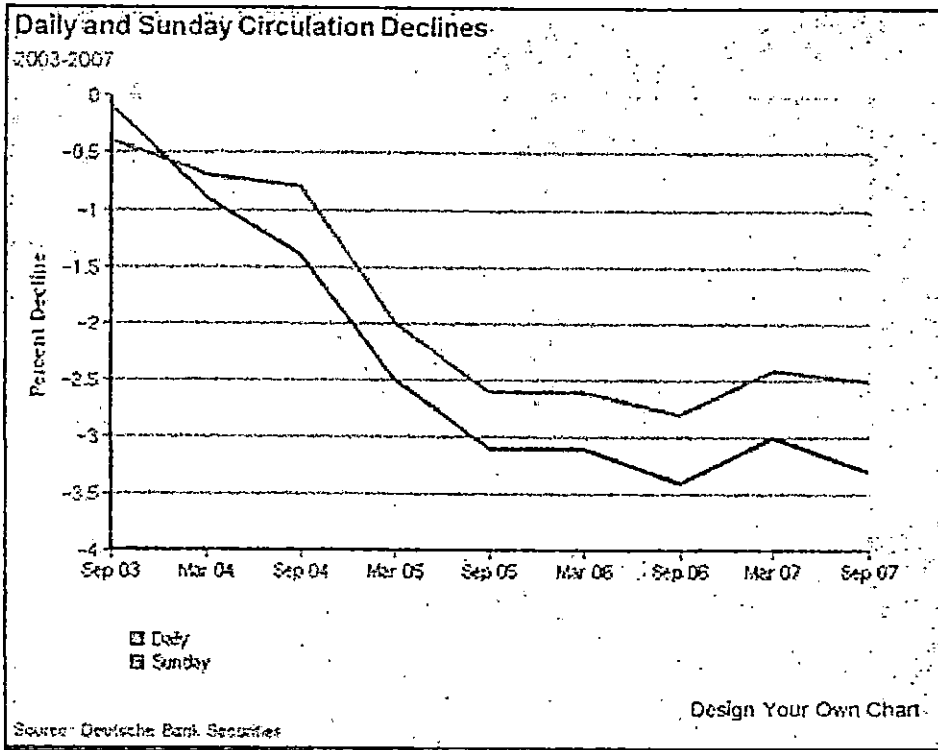
Wikipedia

Largest 10 Colorado Newspapers, daily circulation

http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_newspapers_in_Colorado



Internet users per 100 inhabitants Source: International Telecommunications Union



Source: Deutsche Bank Securities

Design Your Own Chart

County Publication Costs – 2014*

County	Publication Costs
Adams	\$97,972
Archuleta	\$33,000
Bent	\$773
Boulder	\$75,000
Cheyenne	\$3,000
Conejos	\$9,500
Crowley	\$2,400
Custer	\$12,000
Delta	\$17,000
Dolores	\$9,864
Douglas	\$110,547
Eagle	\$26,897
El Paso	\$22,608
Garfield	\$8,000
Gunnison	\$23,886
Hinsdale	\$15,651
Huerfano	\$15,000
Jefferson	\$80,900
Kit Carson	\$6,700
Kiowa	\$3,500
Lake	\$15,000
La Plata	\$2,756
Mesa	\$25,000
Moffat	\$4,000
Montezuma	\$14,900
Montrose	\$21,000
Otero	\$8,500
Phillips	\$8,067
Ouray	\$17,797
Prowers	\$12,000
Summit	\$7,800
Washington	\$12,850
Weld	\$23,640
Yuma	\$6,500

Total all counties reported:

\$754,008

*Note to County Publication Cost: 34 of 64 counties reported. Some counties do not separate "Legal Notice" from all publication costs.