

Denver is one of the largest cities in Colorado. As the capitol city of Colorado, Denver is the center of our state government. Since 1960 Denver Mile High Stadium has been the site of concerts and major sports events such as football, soccer, motor sports, and boxing. The Denver museum is the largest of its kind between Kansas City and the West Coast. Over 200 million passengers have gone through Denver's modern airport in just the past four years. Denver is the main city in Colorado.



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Amy Van Dyken is an Olympian from Colorado. Before she was in the Olympics, most people didn't think she could do it. Amy got into the Olympics and proved to them that she could. She went to the Olympics in Atlanta. She won gold medals in the 400 M Free Relay, the 4 X 100 M Medley Relay, the 100 M Butterfly and the 50 M Freestyle. Amy is 6 feet tall. She weighs 150 pounds. She was born on February 15, 1973 in Englewood Colorado.

Margaret Molly Brown was born in Hannibal, Missouri, in 1867. She was only 19 years old when her brother and her came to Colorado on the train. When they came to Leadville, it was a rough mining town. There were thousands of men but not very many women. Molly Brown was on the Titanic. She survived the disaster with style then selflessly assisted with rescue and relief efforts. Molly used her money and fame on behalf of a variety of causes, including women's suffrage and local Catholic charities.



Mesa Verde is a national park where people used live hundreds of years ago. People come from around the world to see their homes and how they lived. In Spanish, mesa means "table" and verde means "green"; so altogether it means "green table" because the area is flat and green. The Anazsazi Indians built these cities in the canyons for protection from the weather and from their enemies. The largest and most popular cliff dwelling is Cliff Palace. It has over 200 rooms and 23 kivas. When you go in the canyon you can actually walk paths and enter the homes where Anasazi children lived over 700 years ago.

Colorado Facts

Population Land area Acres of Forest

156,299 sq. miles 21,338,000

Largest Cities

State Capitol

Denver

3,294,394

Colorado Springs

Aurora Denver

53

Peaks over 14,000

ft.

Highest point

Mt. Elbert 14, 433 ft.

State Bird State Flower

State Tree

Lark Bunting Rocky Mountain Columbine

Blue Spruce