

Injury-Related Hospitalizations and Deaths

The Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment tracks injury-related hospitalizations. Although there are many ways by which these data may be sorted and reported (e.g., by age, gender, mechanism of injury, etc.), for the purposes of this report, we have chosen to review only a couple of categories by county: injury hospitalizations by intent, and injury hospitalizations by injury type. Tables 20a and 20b and the accompanying graphs show the relationship of Garfield County to the state and comparison counties in these categories.

Table 20A. Injury Hospitalizations by County, 2001 - 2003
Total – Intention Categories
Age-Adjusted Rates per 100,000

	Total Hospitalizations	Unintentional Injury	Intentional Injury	
Delta	812.6*	721.2*	61.9**	*significantly higher than Colorado rate **significantly lower than Colorado rate
Garfield	654.9	574.4	57.3**	
Mesa	746.1*	579.2	153.6*	
Montrose	607.4**	514.8**	71.6	
Colorado	694.0	591.6	81.5	

Figure 36.

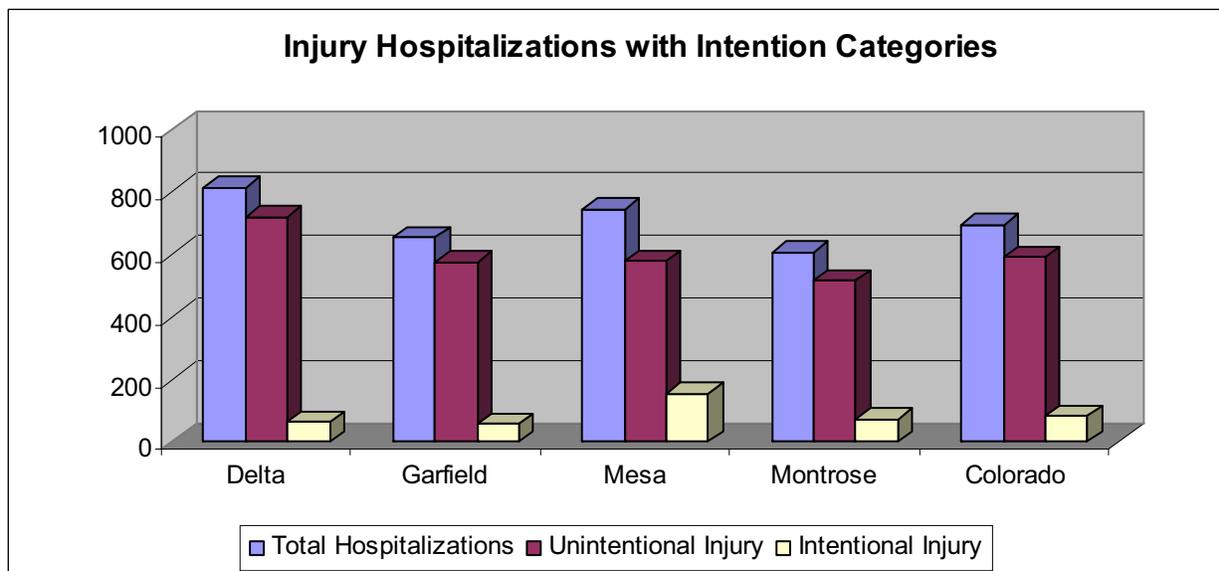


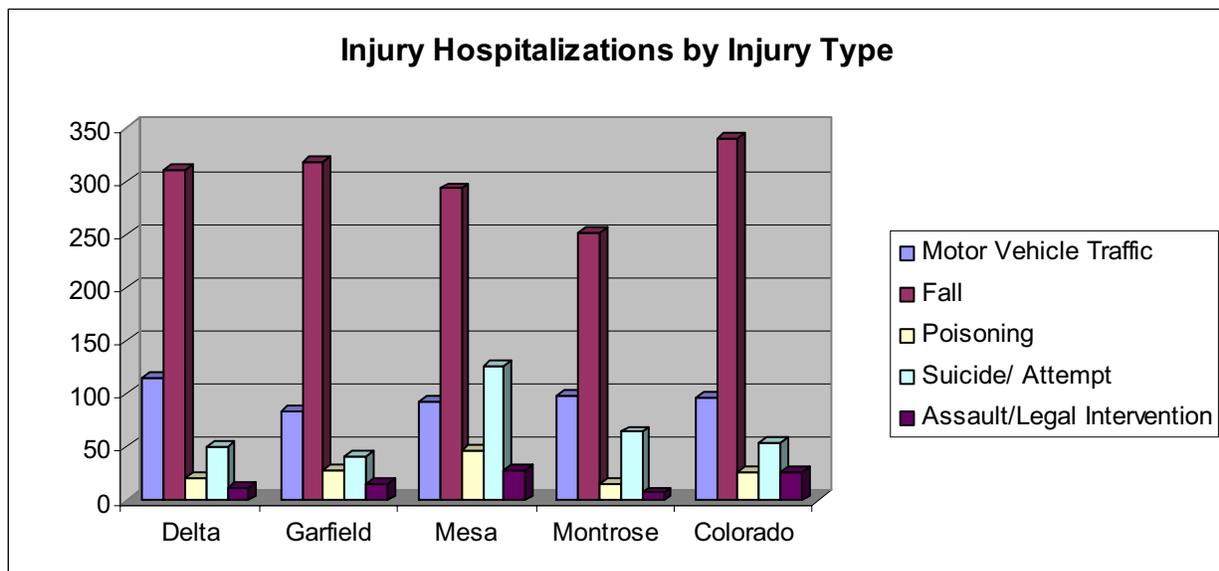
Table 20B. Injury Hospitalizations by County, 2001 - 2003
Total – Injury Type
Age-Adjusted Rates per 100,000

	Motor Vehicle Traffic	Fall	Poisoning	Suicide/ Attempt	Assault/Legal Intervention
Delta	114.4	309.7	20.8	50.8	12.4**
Garfield	83.2	318.4	28.2	41.9**	15.4**
Mesa	93.5	292.8**	46.5*	126.2*	28.0
Montrose	98.9	252**	15.8**	64.3	7.3**
Colorado	96.5	340.6	26.7	54.7	27.1

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**significantly lower than Colorado rate

Figure 37.



Similarly, the CDPHE records and tracks injury-related deaths. For the purposes of this report, county and state comparisons are shown only for “injury deaths by intention” and “injury deaths by injury type. This information is presented in Tables 21a and 21b and the accompanying graphs.

Table 21A. Injury Deaths by County, 2001 - 2003
 Total – Intention Categories
 Age-Adjusted Rates per 100,000

	Total Injury Deaths	Unintentional Injury	Intentional Injury
Delta	76.9	47.4	28.1
Garfield	82*	56.1*	22.0
Mesa	65.6	38.2	21.8
Montrose	82.3	57.2*	24.0
Colorado	63.9	41.6	20.1

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Figure 38.

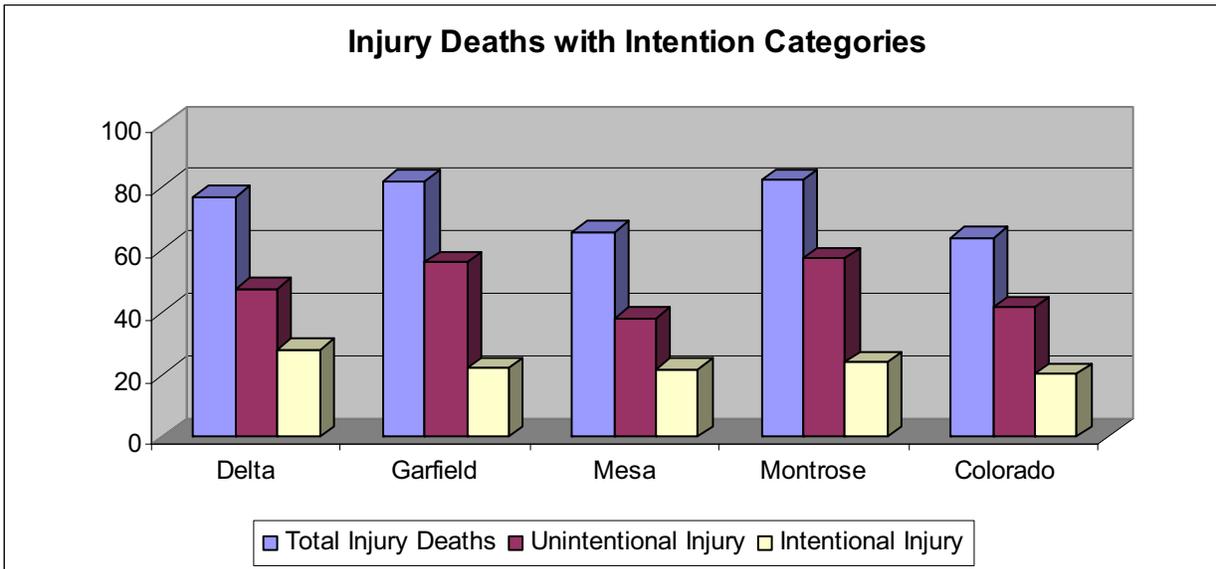


Table 21B. Injury Deaths by County, 2001 - 2003

Total – Injury Type
Age-Adjusted Rates per 100,000

	Motor Vehicle Traffic	Fall	Poisoning	Suicide	Homicide	Firearm Related
Delta	21.6	3.2**	8.2	24.6	3.6	19.4
Garfield	22.3	6.8	5.1	16.4	5.6	15.7
Mesa	17.5	7.1	1.8**	19.7	2.2**	13.2
Montrose	26.0	3.4**	3.1	21.0	3.0	16.8
Colorado	15.9	8.4	6.6	16.0	4.1	11.3

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Figure 39.

