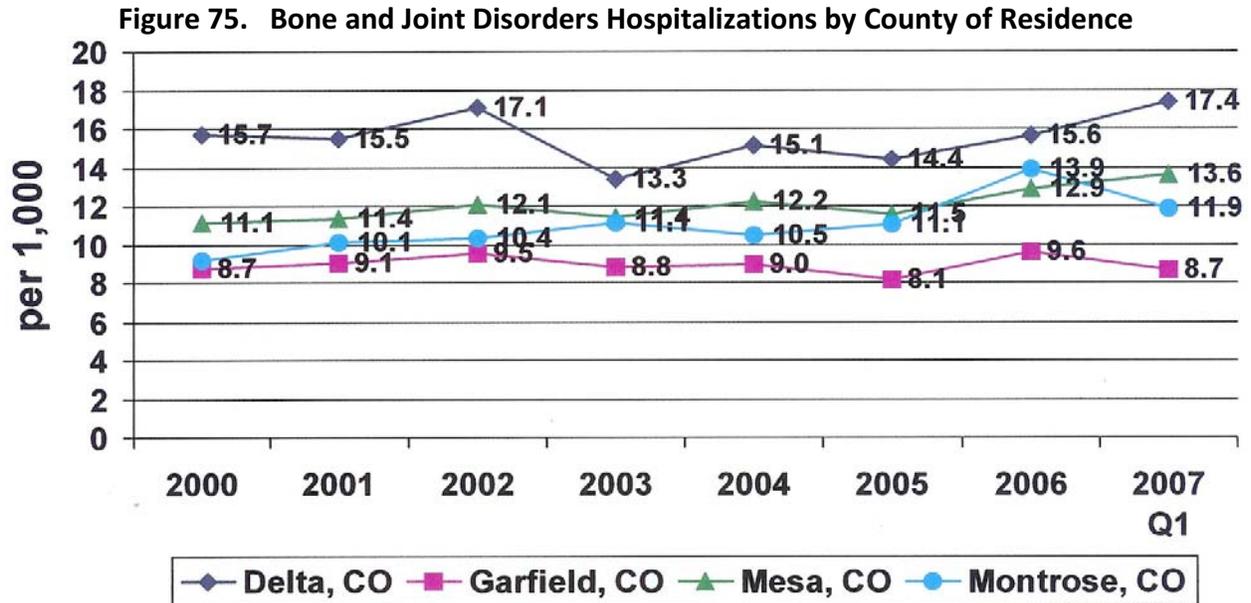


• **Bone and Joint Disorders**

Delta County has the highest rates throughout the 6.25-year period. Garfield County's rates were the lowest of the four counties, and were generally stable. This category includes back and neck and other joint procedures, fractures, strains, sprains and dislocations, and musculoskeletal and connective tissue disorders.



• **Circulation Disorders**

Delta County has the highest rates throughout the 6.25-year period for this category. Garfield County's rates were the lowest of the comparison counties and were generally consistent over the period. There was a slight downward trend in 2007, at which time, the rates for the other three counties were trending up. This category includes acute myocardial infarction, angina pectoris, atherosclerosis, cardiothoracic procedures, cardiovascular disorders and procedures, chest pain, circulatory system disorders, coronary bypass, heart failure and shock, hypertension, peripheral vascular disorders, and syncope and collapse.

