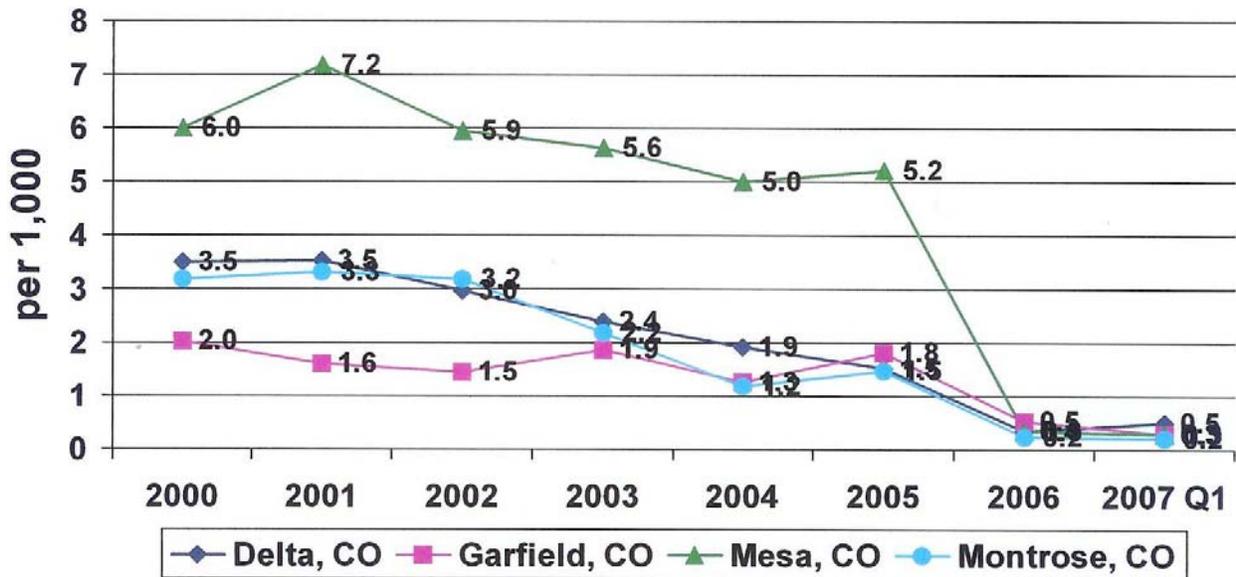


- **Mental Disorders**

Garfield County's hospitalization rates for mental disorders are the lowest among the four counties through 2003; the rates remain stable through 2005, after which there is a downward trend in the rate through the first quarter of 2007. Mesa County's rates are highest among the four counties. After a significant drop in the rate in 2006, the Mesa County rate becomes essentially that same as for the other counties. This category includes acute adjustment reaction and psychosocial dysfunction, childhood mental disorders, depressive neuroses, other neuroses, psychoses, and other mental disorders.

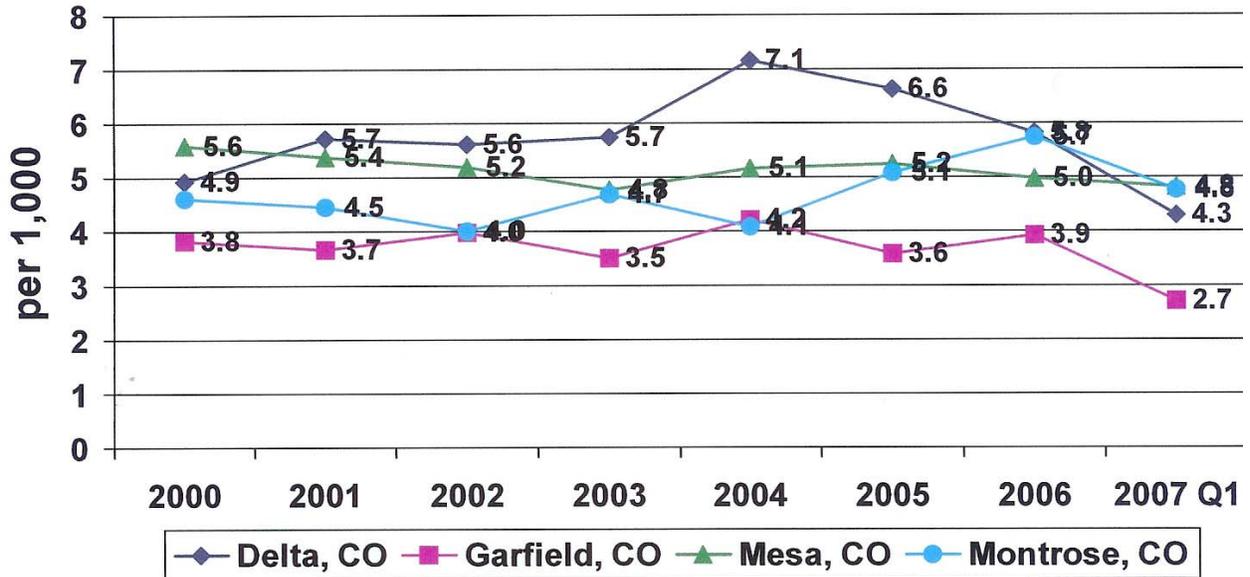
Figure 80. Mental Disorders Hospitalizations by County of Residence



- **Nervous System Disorders**

Garfield County has the overall lowest rates for the 6.25-year period; Delta County's rates are the highest for the years 2001 through 2005. With respect to the subcategory, seizure and headache for children (ages 0-17), Garfield County's rates show an upward trend since 2004, with a big jump in the first quarter of 2007. Seizure and headache hospitalization rates for individuals over 17 years of age show a downward trend since 2004, and are similar to those of the other counties. [Subcategory data are not shown here, but are provided in Appendix N. This category includes cerebrovascular disorders, concussion, cranial and peripheral nerve disorders, craniotomy, extracranial procedures, intracranial hemorrhage or cerebral infarction, nervous system infection except viral meningitis, nervous system neoplasms, seizure and headache, spinal disorders and injuries, stupor and coma (nontraumatic and traumatic), transient ischemia, viral meningitis, and other nervous system disorders.

Figure 81. Nervous System Disorders Hospitalizations by County of Residence



• **Nutritional, Metabolic and Thyroid Disorders**

Montrose County has the lowest rates until 2005; rates increased between 2004 and 2005, then leveled off. Garfield County’s rates showed a downward trend between 2002 and 2003, a spike in 2005, and decreases again in 2006. Garfield County’s diabetes rates are the lowest among the counties for both children and adults. This category includes diabetes (ages 0-35 and >35); endocrine, nutritional and metabolic disorders, nutritional and miscellaneous metabolic disorders (ages 0-17 and >17), and obesity procedures.

Figure 82. Nutritional, Metabolic and Thyroid Disorders Hospitalizations by

