

- **Respiratory Disorders**

Overall, Garfield County rates for respiratory disorders are lower than for the other counties; Delta County's rates are the highest. Subcategory data comparisons are more variable, however. (Subcategory data by age are not shown here, but are available in Appendix N.) Garfield County has the lowest rates for bronchitis and asthma in individuals >17 years, but the highest rates for children (ages 0-17). Childhood bronchitis and asthma rates in Garfield County took a big drop in 2005, but increased to 2004 levels in the first quarter of 2007. Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD) rates in Garfield County are the lowest among the four counties. Garfield County rates for respiratory infections and inflammations for both adults and children are the lowest for the four counties. Rates for simple pneumonia and pleurisy were the lowest among the four counties for adults (>17 years), but highest for children (0-17) through 2005. (Childhood rates in other counties surpassed those for Garfield County from 2005 through the first quarter of 2007.) The other disorders included in this category are major chest procedures, interstitial lung disease, major chest trauma, pulmonary embolism, respiratory neoplasms, and other pulmonary disorders.

Figure 85. All Respiratory Disorders Hospitalizations by County of Residence

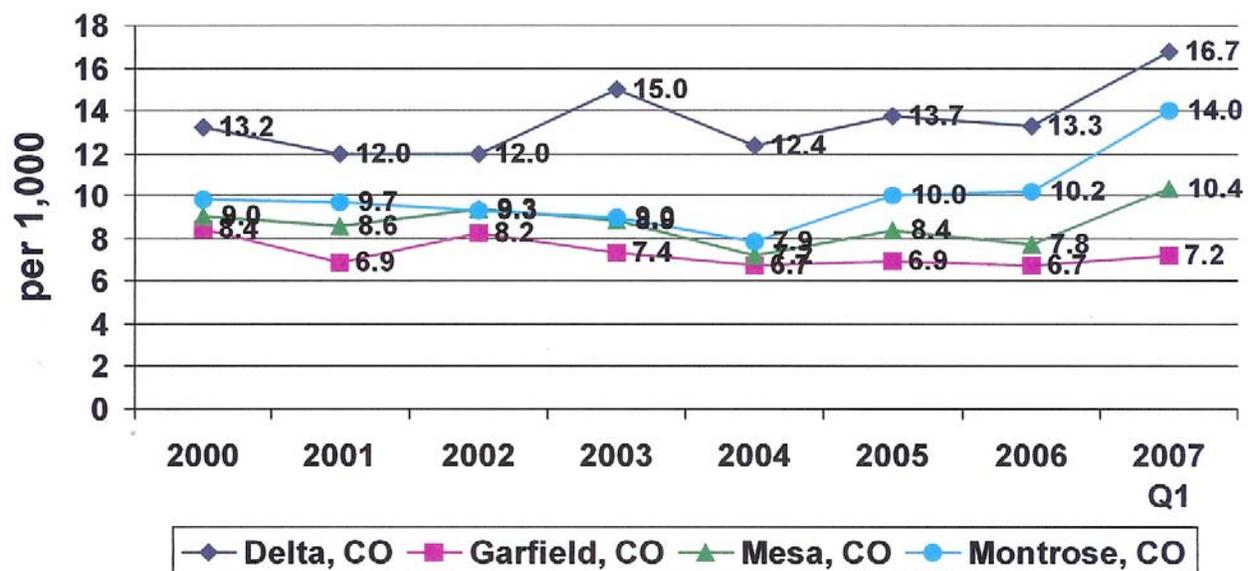
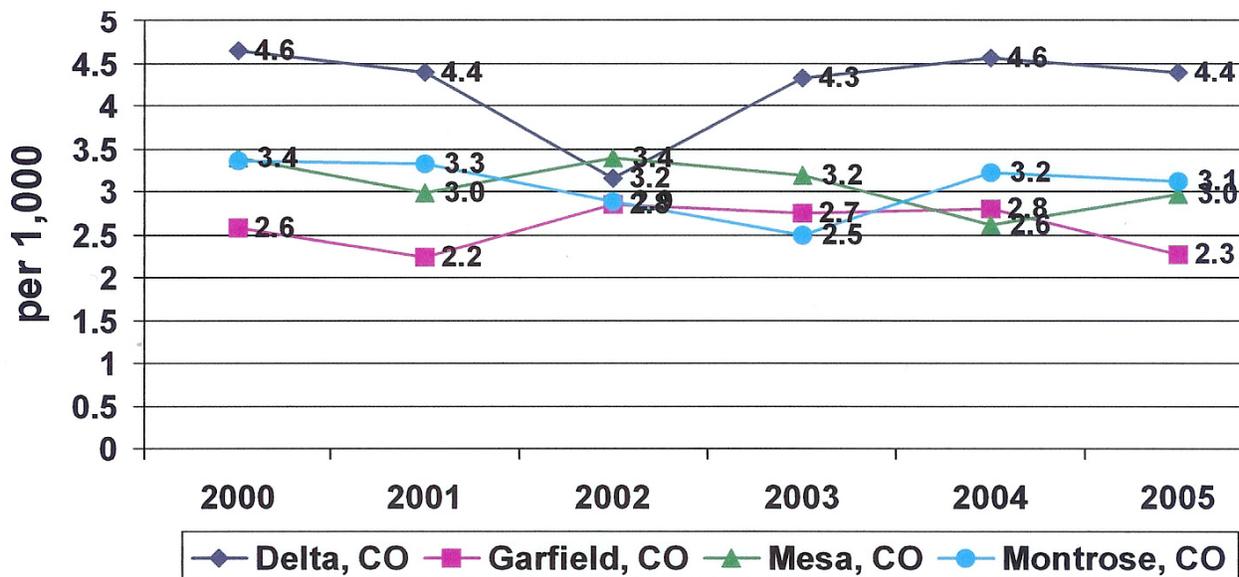


Figure 86. Respiratory Disorders Hospitalizations by County of Residence – Bronchitis, Asthma, COPD and Respiratory Infections and Inflammation



• **Skin Disorders**

Delta County has the highest rates among the four counties; the rates for the other counties are similar across the time period. This category includes cellulitis; malignant breast disorders; skin graft or debridement; skin ulcers; trauma to skin, subcutaneous tissue and breast; and other skin disorders.

Figure 87. Skin Disorders Hospitalizations by County of Residence

