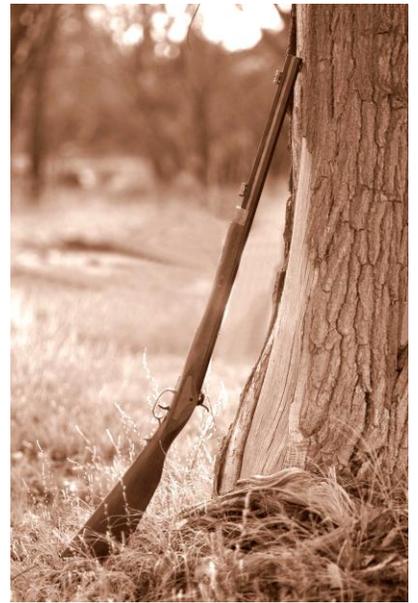


RIFLE, COLORADO

A COMMUNITY PROFILE



RIFLE . . . Live and Work where you LOVE to PLAY!

WELCOME TO RIFLE

Rifle is a city that evokes the images of the Old West. This region truly has a very special western flavor, from its spectacular natural setting to its rich history and a hospitality that was founded by early pioneers.

Rifle is an excellent place to relocate, expand, or start a business. Rifle is pro-quality of life, pro-business, pro-development and has a comprehensive plan on growth that will guide Rifle through the 21st century.

Because of its distance from heavily populated areas, Rifle is unspoiled, offering a retreat from crowds, noise, and pollution, while also offering year round recreation, modern amenities and a near perfect climate.

Rifle is where the "old west" meets the "new west", where you'll find that small town western feel with a splash of big city appeal. Live and Work where you like to PLAY! Activities in the area include white water rafting, fishing (rivers & lakes, ice fishing and fly fishing), boating, hunting, golfing, camping, hiking, biking, rock climbing, snowmobiling, snowshoeing, skiing, snowboarding and much more! *Don't just read about Rifle, come experience it for yourself.*

ELEVATION

5,345 ft

Topography is mountainous with valleys & high plateaus

Latitude 39.553479

Longitude 107.790382

POPULATION

City of Rifle	8,750	Annual growth rate of 4-6% forecasted for 2009 - 2013
Garfield County	52,189	
Median Age	31	

ECONOMICS

Median Household Income	\$75,000	
Average Cost of a Home	\$317,000	(Single family dwelling)
Average Time on the Market	143 days	
Average Rental	\$1500	(Single family dwelling)

INDUSTRY

Energy Development (Gas), Tourism, Ranching and Farming

CLIMATE

Annual

Average Temperature (High) 60^oF (Low) 24^oF

Average Precipitation 13.8 inches

Average Snowfall 56.7 inches

January is typically the coldest month

Average Temperature (High) 37^oF (Low) 3^oF

July is typically the hottest month

Average Temperature (High) 90^oF (Low) 45^oF

LOCAL GOVERNMENT

City of Rifle

202 Railroad Avenue

Rifle, CO 81650

(970) 625-2121

- Managed under a Home Rule Charter
- Municipal Budget: \$9.2 Million (2008)
- Sales Tax:
 - City: 3.5%
 - County: 1%
 - State of Colorado: 2.9%
- Real Property Tax Revenues: \$748,218,354 (2007)
- Assessed Valuation: \$104,925,940 (2007)
- City of Rifle voters approved a 2.5% Lodging Tax that became effective on January 1, 2008. The funds will be used for Visitor Improvements / Attractions; and City beautification and preservation projects.

Garfield County

108 8th Street

Glenwood Springs, CO 81601

(970) 945-1377

Garfield County Clerk & Recorder

144 East 3rd Street

Rifle, CO 81650

(970) 625-0882

- Marriage License, Vehicle Registrations

Garfield County Health & Human Services

195 West 14th Street

Rifle, CO 81650

(970) 625-5200

Garfield County Housing Authority

2128 Railroad Avenue

Rifle, CO 81650

(970) 625-3589

Garfield County Courts

110 East 18th Street

Rifle, CO 81650

(970) 625-5100

Department of Motor Vehicle

(Driver License Office)

Glenwood Springs Mall

Glenwood Springs, CO

(970) 945-8229

US Postal Service

330 Railroad Avenue

Rifle, CO 81650

(970) 625-1070

SCHOOLS / EDUCATION

Garfield County RE-2 School District

839 Whiteriver Avenue

Rifle, CO 81650

(970) 625-7600

www.garfieldre2.k12.co.us

- Highlands Elementary (970) 655-6800
- Rifle High School (970) 655-7725
- Rifle Middle School (970) 655-7900
- Wamsley Elementary (970) 655-7950

Colorado Mountain College

3695 Airport Road

Rifle, CO 81650

(970) 625-1871

www.coloradomtn.edu

CMC has 7 campuses located across 12,000 square miles in the north central Rocky Mountains of Colorado. West Garfield Campus is a NEW 34,000sqft. facility in Rifle, Colorado, opened fall 2007. This new campus features a state of the art science lab, process technology lab, fitness studio, Early Learners' Center (*state certified pre-school for 3-5 yr olds*), fine arts facilities, and a 300 seat auditorium. In addition to 1 year certification programs and 2 year associate degree programs, a large non-credit energy industry training program is sited at the West Garfield Campus of CMC.

EMERGENCY SERVICES

For All Emergency Calls Dial 911

Garfield County Emergency

Communications Operations Center

Non-Emergent: (970) 625-8095

Rifle Fire Protection District

Non-Emergent: (970) 625-1243

- A combination department (*Volunteer & Paid*) covering 411 square mile district with 2 stations providing Fire, Rescue and ALS / EMS services, 1264 service calls (2007). Fire Chief, Mike Morgan; Fire Marshall, Kevin Whelan.

Rifle Police Department

Non-Emergent: (970) 625-2271

- Dispatched calls for service: 19,184 (2005)

Garfield County Sheriff's Office and Search & Rescue

(970) 945-0453

American Red Cross

(970) 242-4581



HOW TO GET HERE / TRANSPORTATION

By Automobile:

Interstate 70 Interchange, Exits 90 & 87, US Highway 6 & 24 and Colorado Highway 13

By Train:

Amtrak

Glenwood Springs, CO
(approx. 25 miles east)
(970) 945-9563

Amtrak

Grand Junction, CO
(approx. 60 miles west)
(800) 872-7245

By Air:

Garfield County Regional Airport

0375 County Road 352
Rifle, CO
(approx. 1 mile southeast)
(970) 625-1091

- No scheduled air service
- 24/7 all weather lighted 7000 x 100 runway, Full Service FBO 100LL, jet, large transient hangars available, car rental, limousine and catering.

Glenwood Springs Municipal Airport

Glenwood Springs, CO
(approx. 25 miles east)
(970) 945-3073

- Non-Commercial Airport

Eagle County Airport

Eagle/Vail, CO
(approx. 52 miles east)
(970) 328-8600

- American, Continental, Delta, Northwest, United, United Express, US Airways

Walker Field Airport

Grand Junction, CO
(approx. 60 miles west)
(970) 244-9100

- Allegiant Air, American Airlines, Delta, Frontier, United, US Airways

Aspen / Pitkin County Airport

Aspen, CO
(approx. 63 miles southeast)
(970) 920-5384

- American West, Northwest, United Express

Denver International Airport

Denver, CO
(approx. 205 miles east)
(303) 342-2000

- Air Canada, AirTran Airways, Alaska Airlines, American Airlines, British Airways, Continental, Delta, Frontier, Great Lakes Airlines, Horizon Air, JetBlue, Mexicana, Midwest Airlines, NWA, Southwest, United, US Airway

By Bus:

Greyhound

Glenwood Springs, CO
(approx. 25 miles east)
(970) 945-8501

RFTA

(970) 925-8484

Local transportation service that provides for the Roaring Fork Valley: Rifle to Aspen

Greyhound

Grand Junction, CO
(approx 60 miles west)
(970) 242-6012



HEALTH CARE FACILITIES AND SERVICES

Grand River Hospital District

501 Airport Road
Rifle, CO 81650
(970) 625-1510
www.grhd.org

- Trauma Level 4 ER, E. Dene Moore Care Center, Battlement Mesa Medical Center, Grand River Medical Center, Grand River Primary Care, Grand River Health & Safety Center

Valley View Hospital

1906 Blake Avenue
Glenwood Springs, CO 81601
(970) 945-6535
www.vvh.org

- Trauma Level 3 ER, Outlaw Medical Arts, Silt Medical Center, Roaring Fork Hospice

SENIORS / RETIREMENT

Crossroads Assisted Living Complex

(970) 625-4343

E. Dene Moore Care Center

(970) 625-1514

- 24 Hour long-term care facility

Rifle Senior Housing

(970) 625-3974

Rifle Senior Center

(970) 625-1877

Colorado State Veterans Nursing Home

(970) 625-0842

- 24 Hour nursing care for Veterans and their spouses

Traveler Services

(970) 625-1366

- Door-to-door transportation service for those who are unable to do so themselves

FUNERAL SERVICES

Rifle Funeral Home

(970) 625-1234

COMMUNICATIONS

Cell Phone:

Active Communications

(970) 625-9990

- Cingular / AT&T

EnSignal

(970) 625-2226

- Verizon

Telephone:

Qwest

(800) 244-1111

Radio Shack

(970) 625-2301

- Verizon



Internet Services:

Blizzard Internet

(888) 840-5893

Qwest

(800) 996-2516

Comcast

(970) 928-8773

Sopris Surfers

(970) 963-7873

COMMUNITY SERVICES

Churches

19 area Churches representing a variety of denominations

Fellowship of the Rockies

(970) 625-2511

Rocky Mountain Baptist Church

(970) 625-0248

To request a complete listing of Rifle Area Service Clubs and the Rifle Church Directory contact the Chamber Office at (970) 625-2085, ext #2 or email mail@riflechamber.com

MEDIA

Newspaper:

Citizen Telegram

(970) 625-3245

- Rifle's local news, printed weekly

Daily Sentinel

(970) 242-5050

- Western Slope Colorado news, printed daily

Glenwood Post Independent

(970) 384-9102

- Roaring Fork Valley distribution, printed daily

The Nickel

(970) 242-5555

- Weekly, community swap & classified ads

Radio:

Colorado West Broadcasting

(970) 945-9124

- KMTS

MBC Grand Broadcasting, Inc.

(970) 254-2100

- MOOSE Country, Colorado 93, KSTR, Magic 93.1, KNZZ News, KTMM 1340

Cumulus Broadcasting

(970) 242-7788

- KEKB, 95 Rock, MIX 104.3, KOOL 107.9

Western Slope Communications

(970) 241-6460

- Drive 105, The River, ESPN, The Range

Television:

Channel 10

(970) 625-6255

- Rifle's community network station

Television Services

- Cable: Comcast (970) 928-8773
- Digital TV: Qwest (800) 528-6188
- Satellite: Dish Network (888) 825-2557
- Satellite: Dish Network (EnSignal) (970) 625-2226
- Satellite: Direct TV (800) 201-0337



TRASH REMOVAL / RECYCLING

City of Rifle Trash Services

(970) 625-2712

Garfield County Landfill

(970) 625-2516

Down Valley Septic

(970) 625-5556

Rocky Mountain Disposal

(970) 947-0990

Waste Management

(970) 384-6200

WATER / SEWER

City of Rifle Water & Sewer

(970) 625-6221

UTILITIES / GAS

Holy Cross Energy

(970) 945-5491

Xcel Energy

(800) 895-4999

RECREATION / ENTERTAINMENT

Hiking, Snowmobiling, Rock Climbing, 4-Wheel Driving, Hunting, Golfing, Fishing, Mountain Biking, Bowling, Rodeo, Sightseeing, Arts & Theater, Swimming, Shopping, Boating, Camping, ATV, Ice Fishing & much more!

Area Contacts:

Art Dague Pool & Waterslide

(Rifle's Municipal Pool)

(970) 625-3185

Bookcliffs Council of the Arts & Humanities

(970) 625-3043

City of Rifle Recreation Department

(970) 625-2151

Colorado State Parks: Rifle Gap & Rifle Falls

(970) 625-1607

Garfield County Public Library – Rifle Branch

(970) 625-3471

Garfield County Fairgrounds

(970) 625-2514

Grand Valley Bowl, Inc. / Rifle Fireside Lanes

(970) 625-2231



Rifle Creek Golf Course

(970) 625-1093

Rifle Creek Movie Theater

(970) 625-2323

Rifle Creek Museum

(970) 625-4862

Rifle Fish Hatchery

(970) 625-1865

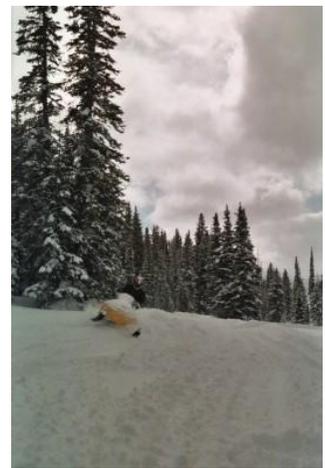
Rifle Mountain Park

(970) 625-2151

USFS – White River National Forest

(970) 625-2371

Visit our web-site at www.riflechamber.com or
call the Rifle Information Center at (970) 625-2085
for more information on recreation and activity ideas
Things To Do In Rifle



ANNUAL COMMUNITY EVENTS

For a current listing of all community events go to www.riflechamber.com, click on Calendar of Events

Ice Fishing Tournament (January)

Vivian Raymond Memorial

Golf Tournament (May)

Rifle Rendezvous (May)

Garfield County Fair (August)

Apple Pie Days (September)

Chili Cook-Off (October)

Hunters Hospitality & Information Center
(October / November)

Holly Days (December)



Rifle Area Chamber of Commerce

200 Lions Park Circle
Rifle, CO 81650
(970) 625-2085
(970) 625-4757 fax
www.riflechamber.com



City of Rifle

202 Railroad Avenue, PO Box 1908
Rifle, CO 81650
(970) 625-2121
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www.rifleco.org