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A statistical guide to the
Thoroughbred industry
in Colorado

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Preface

This report has been compiled as an industry service by The Jockey Club with the intent of shedding some statistical light on the Thoroughbred industry in COLORADO and, in particular, trends that have evolved over the past two decades. It contains sections on breeding, racing and auction sales. Statistics within the breeding section and those pertaining to racing performance by foaling year are updated on a regular basis. Statistics contained herein are provided courtesy of The Jockey Club, The Jockey Club Information Systems Inc. and Equibase Company LLC. Information pertaining to stallions, mares bred and foal crops are maintained in The Jockey Club's pedigree database and reflect information submitted to the Registry by owners and breeders throughout North America as of the date listed on the page. Information pertaining to races, purses, starters, starts and field size are maintained in the Equibase Company database as collected and reported by chartcallers at tracks throughout North America. Information pertaining to the number of weanlings, yearlings and 2-year-olds sold at auction, gross sales, average price and median price are maintained in the equineline.com database of The Jockey Club Information Systems. Since 2005, Canadian purses have been converted to their equivalent amount in U.S. funds.

Many other statistics about the Thoroughbred industry can be found in The Jockey Club's Online Fact Book (jockeyclub.com/factbook.asp). The Jockey Club is dedicated to the improvement of Thoroughbred breeding and racing and serves as the breed registry for North American Thoroughbreds.

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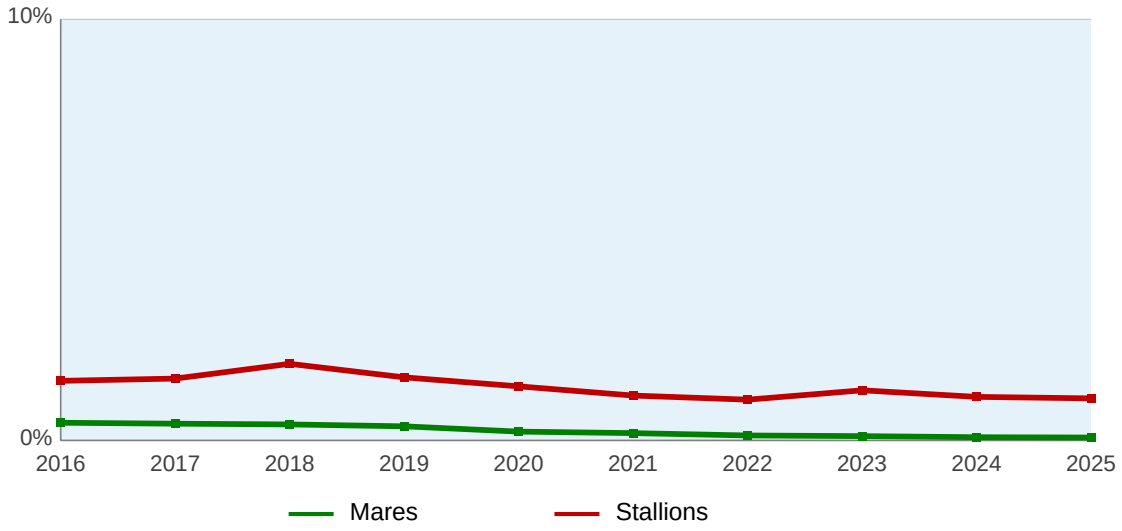
Annual Mares Bred to Colorado Stallions

Colorado Active Stallions and Mares Bred (% of Total North America)



Year	Mares Bred	Pct. of NA	Stallions	Pct. of NA	Avg. Book Size	Avg. NA Book Size
2000	455	0.7	75	1.6	6.1	13.5
2001	447	0.7	82	1.8	5.5	13.7
2002	473	0.7	84	1.9	5.6	14.1
2003	503	0.8	87	2.0	5.8	14.2
2004	470	0.7	75	1.7	6.3	14.6
2005	452	0.7	63	1.5	7.2	15.1
2006	352	0.6	54	1.3	6.5	15.5
2007	303	0.5	54	1.4	5.6	15.8
2008	275	0.5	49	1.3	5.6	15.6
2009	190	0.4	36	1.1	5.3	14.9
2010	148	0.3	31	1.0	4.8	14.2
2011	150	0.4	30	1.1	5.0	14.2
2012	165	0.4	32	1.2	5.2	14.7
2013	180	0.5	31	1.3	5.8	15.5
2014	188	0.5	34	1.5	5.5	16.5
2015	182	0.5	36	1.7	5.1	18.1
2016	153	0.4	28	1.4	5.5	18.4
2017	138	0.4	28	1.5	4.9	18.2
2018	125	0.4	32	1.8	3.9	18.7
2019	106	0.3	25	1.5	4.2	18.9
2020	63	0.2	20	1.3	3.1	19.3
2021	51	0.2	15	1.1	3.4	20.9
2022	34	0.1	13	1.0	2.6	21.5
2023	29	0.1	15	1.2	1.9	22.5
2024	21	0.1	12	1.0	1.8	23.6
2025	18	0.1	10	1.0	1.8	25.9

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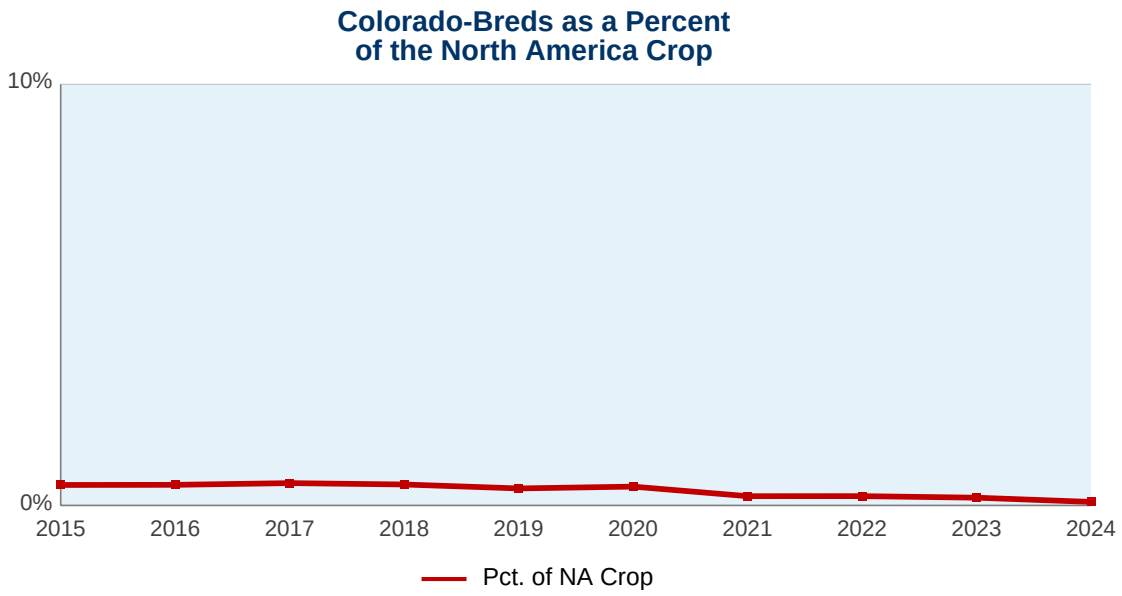
North America includes U.S. and Canada only

Annual Colorado Registered Foal Crop



Crop Year	Colorado	North America	Pct. of NA Crop
2000	283	37,755	0.7
2001	235	37,901	0.6
2002	248	35,978	0.7
2003	259	37,067	0.7
2004	294	37,949	0.8
2005	246	38,365	0.6
2006	219	38,104	0.6
2007	182	37,499	0.5
2008	160	35,274	0.5
2009	133	32,364	0.4
2010	107	28,420	0.4
2011	101	24,941	0.4
2012	104	23,542	0.4
2013	93	23,249	0.4
2014	104	23,001	0.5
2015	112	23,050	0.5
2016	111	22,680	0.5
2017	118	22,255	0.5
2018	106	21,298	0.5
2019	83	20,552	0.4
2020	89	19,911	0.4
2021	42	19,120	0.2
2022	41	18,554	0.2
2023	34	18,500	0.2
2024	15	18,000 *	0.1

* Estimated figure

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North America includes U.S. and Canada only

Foaling Area of Colorado-Sired Registered Foals

Foaling Area	Crop Year 2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
CO	10	14	22	28	59
UT	1	0	0	1	1
WA	0	0	0	1	0
WY	0	1	1	0	1
AZ	0	0	0	1	1
KS	0	0	0	0	1
KY	0	0	0	0	1
MI	0	1	0	0	0
OR	0	0	0	0	1
TX	0	1	0	0	0
Total	11	17	23	31	65

Note: Figures include only foals born in the U.S., Canada and Puerto Rico.

Ranked by number of registered foals in 2024. Figures as of 09/01/2026

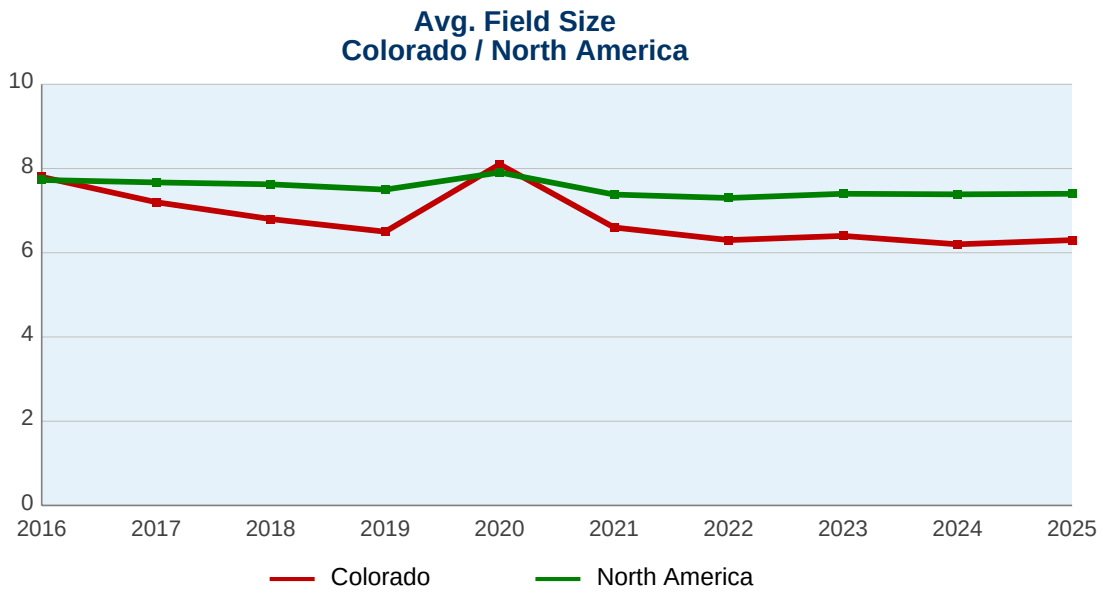
Conception Area of Colorado-Bred Registered Foals

Conception Area	Crop Year 2024	2023	2022	2021	2020
CO	10	14	22	28	59
KY	4	10	13	4	16
AZ	1	4	0	2	2
CA	1	3	0	0	1
NE	0	0	3	0	0
NM	0	0	0	3	2
NY	0	0	0	1	0
OK	0	3	1	0	4
TX	0	0	1	0	0
WY	0	0	1	4	5
Total	16	34	41	42	89

Note: Figures include only foals conceived in the U.S., Canada and Puerto Rico and where the conception area is known.

Ranked by number of registered foals in 2024. Figures as of 09/01/2026

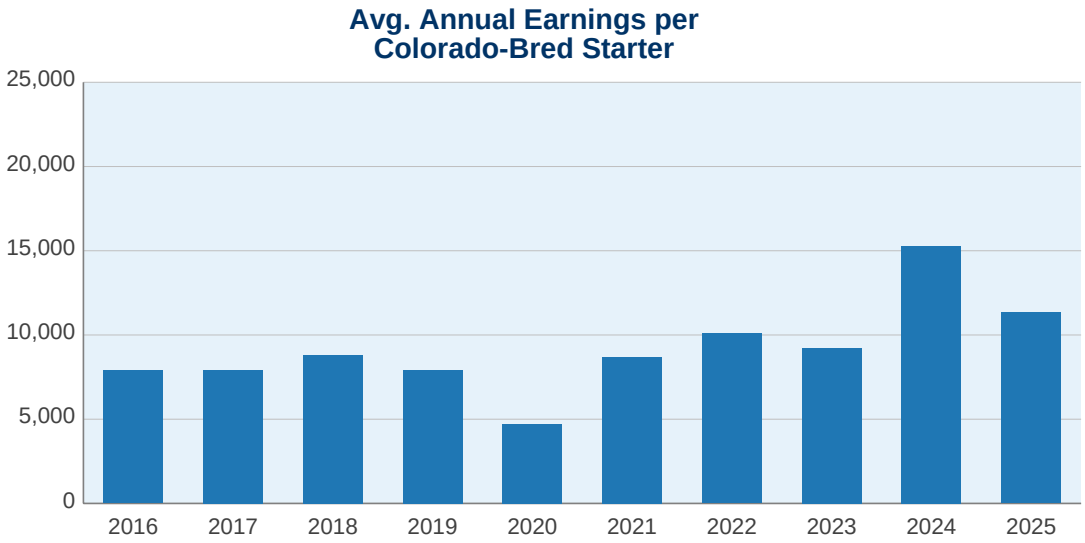
Colorado Racing Overview



Year	Races	Purses	Starters	Starts	Race Days	Avg. Field Size	Avg. Purse per Race
2000	287	2,361,300	629	2,136	37	7.4	8,228
2001	295	2,655,570	698	2,374	37	8.0	9,002
2002	332	2,957,300	817	2,918	41	8.8	8,908
2003	285	2,572,565	707	2,353	47	8.3	9,027
2004	252	1,974,025	546	1,721	37	6.8	7,833
2005	253	1,994,800	665	2,107	37	8.3	7,885
2006	243	1,817,564	578	1,936	36	8.0	7,480
2007	243	1,889,567	507	1,697	35	7.0	7,776
2008	208	1,668,460	550	1,643	36	7.9	8,021
2009	199	1,657,218	527	1,598	36	8.0	8,328
2010	234	2,435,736	675	2,079	38	8.9	10,409
2011	232	2,659,956	611	2,038	38	8.8	11,465
2012	232	2,656,257	563	1,912	37	8.2	11,449
2013	250	2,964,405	652	2,122	39	8.5	11,858
2014	233	2,803,342	552	1,740	35	7.5	12,032
2015	231	2,822,188	508	1,671	35	7.2	12,217
2016	248	2,705,814	556	1,932	36	7.8	10,911
2017	257	2,756,891	537	1,846	39	7.2	10,727
2018	246	2,631,496	453	1,662	36	6.8	10,697
2019	223	2,146,965	399	1,447	35	6.5	9,628
2020	210	1,769,232	603	1,691	34	8.1	8,425
2021	162	2,075,107	408	1,070	30	6.6	12,809
2022	265	3,131,008	466	1,666	41	6.3	11,815
2023	231	2,263,788	459	1,477	36	6.4	9,800
2024	167	2,751,150	384	1,039	30	6.2	16,474
2025	165	1,759,886	392	1,039	28	6.3	10,666

Note: Purses represent all available money, including monies not won and returned to state breeder or other funds.

Colorado-Bred Racing Statistics by Racing Year



Racing Year	Starters	Starts	Earnings	Avg. Earnings per Starter	Avg. Starts per Starter
2000	292	1,612	1,508,355	5,166	5.5
2001	293	1,661	1,627,928	5,556	5.7
2002	318	1,780	1,781,242	5,601	5.6
2003	338	1,811	2,256,381	6,676	5.4
2004	359	1,769	2,213,162	6,165	4.9
2005	376	1,882	1,925,435	5,121	5.0
2006	357	1,894	1,964,756	5,504	5.3
2007	353	1,822	2,140,188	6,063	5.2
2008	336	1,753	1,686,991	5,021	5.2
2009	285	1,383	1,399,237	4,910	4.8
2010	293	1,359	1,461,706	4,989	4.6
2011	259	1,300	1,556,205	6,009	5.0
2012	220	1,059	1,425,482	6,479	4.8
2013	209	1,024	1,464,453	7,007	4.9
2014	188	953	1,531,987	8,149	5.1
2015	209	976	1,476,640	7,065	4.7
2016	205	1,056	1,617,587	7,891	5.2
2017	203	1,035	1,608,193	7,922	5.1
2018	209	1,137	1,841,101	8,809	5.4
2019	223	1,132	1,770,720	7,940	5.1
2020	229	980	1,082,522	4,727	4.3
2021	155	837	1,347,963	8,697	5.4
2022	140	699	1,411,878	10,085	5.0
2023	114	592	1,051,345	9,222	5.2
2024	98	520	1,496,524	15,271	5.3
2025	90	472	1,020,166	11,335	5.2

Figures include racing in the U.S. and Canada only

Colorado-Bred Racing Statistics by Foaling Year

Foaling Year	Reg. Foals	Starters	Lifetime Starts	Lifetime Earnings	Avg. Earnings per Starter	Avg. Starts per Starter
2000	283	144	1,901	2,560,174	17,779	13.2
2001	235	137	2,181	2,640,600	19,274	15.9
2002	248	123	1,758	1,549,364	12,596	14.3
2003	259	136	1,707	1,610,112	11,839	12.6
2004	294	121	1,640	1,677,703	13,865	13.6
2005	246	125	1,941	1,829,970	14,640	15.5
2006	219	106	1,136	1,512,739	14,271	10.7
2007	182	86	1,111	1,500,243	17,445	12.9
2008	160	82	969	1,308,280	15,955	11.8
2009	133	64	910	1,200,637	18,760	14.2
2010	107	53	630	1,245,199	23,494	11.9
2011	101	64	856	1,252,937	19,577	13.4
2012	104	65	760	1,201,167	18,479	11.7
2013	93	63	659	1,037,431	16,467	10.5
2014	104	68	913	1,467,506	21,581	13.4
2015	112	67	457	812,848	12,132	6.8
2016	112	67	432	880,628	13,144	6.4
2017	118	69	406	638,004	9,246	5.9
2018	106	60	386	643,813	10,730	6.4
2019	83	38	246	589,504	15,513	6.5
2020	89	39	212	407,083	10,438	5.4
2021	42	21	134	402,942	19,188	6.4
2022	41	14	118	374,486	26,749	8.4
2023	34	16	107	323,443	20,215	6.7

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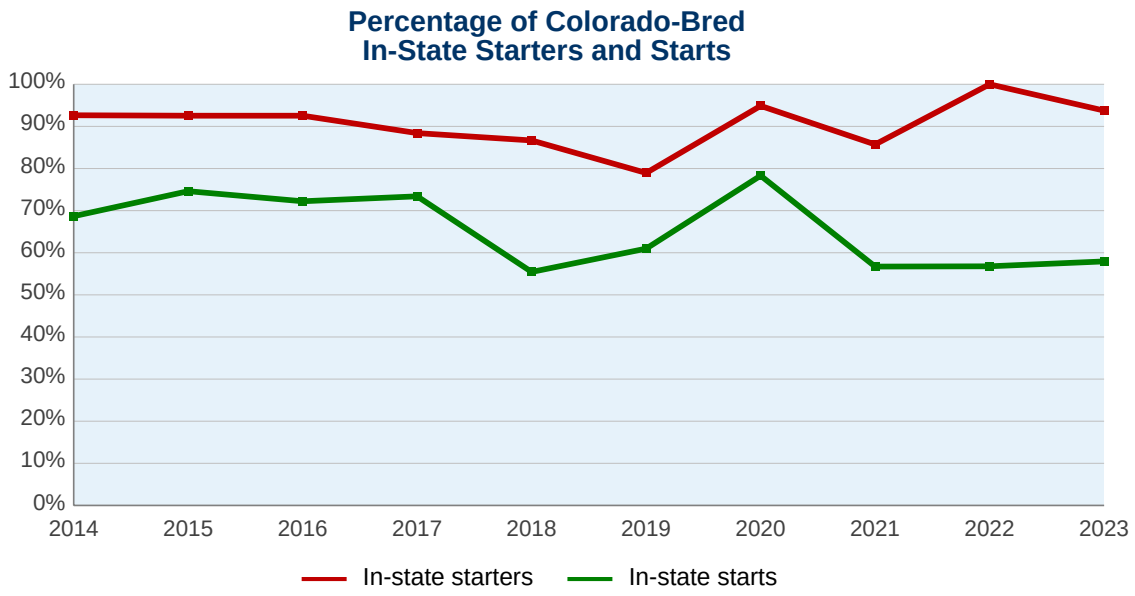
Colorado-Bred Starters and Starts: In-State/Out-of-State



Foaling Year	Total Starters	In-State Starters	Pct. of In-State Starters	Total Starts	In-State Starts	Pct. of In-State Starts
2000	144	121	84.0	1,901	949	49.9
2001	137	107	78.1	2,181	1,093	50.1
2002	123	106	86.2	1,758	938	53.4
2003	136	118	86.8	1,707	962	56.4
2004	121	96	79.3	1,640	816	49.8
2005	125	100	80.0	1,941	1,057	54.5
2006	106	92	86.8	1,136	738	65.0
2007	86	78	90.7	1,111	772	69.5
2008	82	75	91.5	969	643	66.4
2009	64	61	95.3	910	646	71.0
2010	53	48	90.6	630	446	70.8
2011	64	60	93.8	856	540	63.1
2012	65	60	92.3	760	489	64.3
2013	63	58	92.1	659	478	72.5
2014	68	63	92.6	913	627	68.7
2015	67	62	92.5	457	341	74.6
2016	67	62	92.5	432	312	72.2
2017	69	61	88.4	406	298	73.4
2018	60	52	86.7	386	214	55.4
2019	38	30	78.9	246	150	61.0
2020	39	37	94.9	212	166	78.3
2021	21	18	85.7	134	76	56.7
2022	14	14	100.0	118	67	56.8
2023	16	15	93.8	107	62	57.9

Note: In-state starters include any Thoroughbred that made at least one start in its native state.

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Percentage of Colorado-Bred Earnings by Racing Area

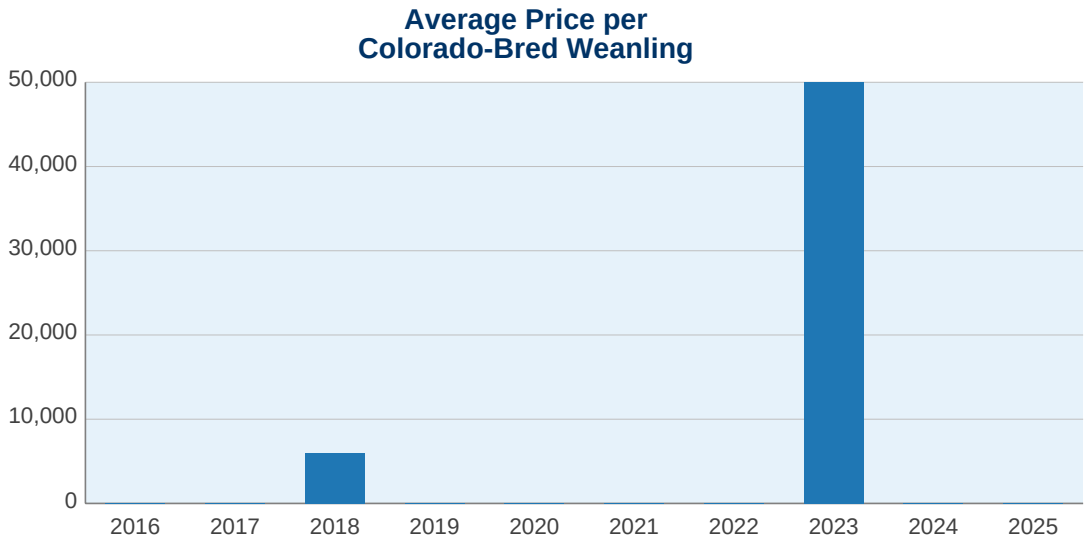
Racing Year

Racing Area	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021
CO	49.8%	63.0%	69.0%	75.1%	52.6%
WY	15.4%	10.4%	2.5%	1.4%	5.0%
IA	11.9%	4.8%	4.2%	3.5%	6.1%
NE	3.9%	1.6%	3.6%	2.0%	6.8%
NM	3.7%	6.3%	7.9%	1.0%	3.0%
AR	3.2%	3.8%	0.3%	0.4%	0%
OH	2.6%	3.6%	0.3%	0%	0.0%
OK	2.2%	0.3%	2.1%	0.1%	0.6%
MD	1.8%	0%	0%	0%	0%
PA	1.6%	0.4%	0%	0%	0%
BC	1.1%	0.8%	1.0%	0%	0%
KY	0.8%	0.1%	2.9%	0.1%	0.1%
AZ	0.6%	0.4%	0.9%	9.7%	16.1%
NY	0.4%	0.5%	0%	0%	0.0%
MT	0.3%	0.1%	0.4%	0.6%	1.0%
MB	0.3%	0%	0.4%	0%	0%
ND	0.2%	0.0%	0.0%	0%	0%
IN	0.1%	0%	0%	0%	0%
MN	0.1%	0.9%	0%	0.6%	1.4%
NV	0.1%	0.6%	0.9%	1.9%	0.5%
OR	0.0%	0.4%	0.5%	0.0%	0.5%
FL	0.0%	0%	0%	0.0%	0.0%
AB	0%	0.4%	1.1%	0.6%	0.9%
TX	0%	0.2%	0.0%	0.3%	0.7%
WA	0%	0%	0.0%	0.4%	1.8%
WV	0%	0%	0.2%	0%	0.7%
NJ	0%	0%	0%	0.1%	0.2%
ON	0%	0%	0.6%	0.5%	1.0%
LA	0%	1.2%	1.0%	0.1%	0.2%
IL	0%	0%	0%	1.4%	0%
CA	0%	0%	0%	0%	0.4%

Ranked by percentage of total earnings in 2025

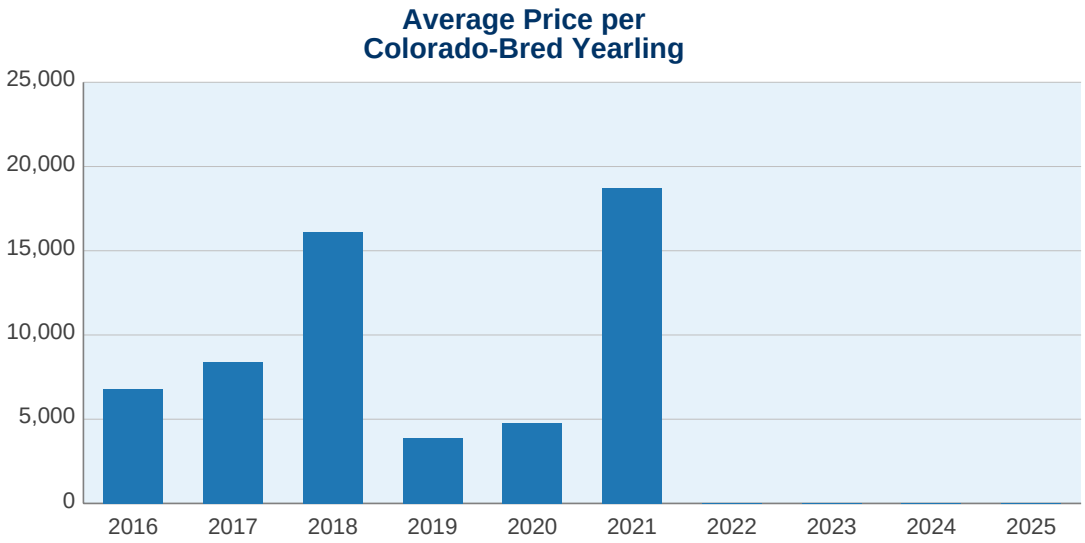
Percentages include racing in the U.S. and Canada only

Auction Results for Colorado-Bred Weanlings



Sale Year	# Sold	Pct. Change	Gross Sales	Pct. Change	Avg. Price	Pct. Change	Median Price	Pct. Change
2000	2	0.0	7,700	0.0	3,850	0.0	3,850	0.0
2001	3	50.0	38,000	393.5	12,667	229.0	10,000	159.7
2002	1	-66.7	4,500	-88.2	4,500	-64.5	4,500	-55.0
2003	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2004	2	0.0	18,200	0.0	9,100	0.0	9,100	0.0
2005	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2006	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2007	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2008	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2009	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2010	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2011	2	0.0	19,000	0.0	9,500	0.0	9,500	0.0
2012	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2013	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2014	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2015	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2016	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2017	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2018	1	0.0	6,000	0.0	6,000	0.0	6,000	0.0
2019	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2020	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2021	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2022	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2023	1	0.0	50,000	0.0	50,000	0.0	50,000	0.0
2024	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2025	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0

Auction Results for Colorado-Bred Yearlings



Sale Year	# Sold	Pct. Change	Gross Sales	Pct. Change	Avg. Price	Pct. Change	Median Price	Pct. Change
2000	4	0.0	20,200	0.0	5,050	0.0	4,000	0.0
2001	6	50.0	17,100	-15.3	2,850	-43.6	2,350	-41.2
2002	7	16.7	215,100	1,157.9	30,729	978.2	7,500	219.2
2003	3	-57.1	26,400	-87.7	8,800	-71.4	6,700	-10.7
2004	1	-66.7	5,000	-81.1	5,000	-43.2	5,000	-25.4
2005	3	200.0	14,700	194.0	4,900	-2.0	6,000	20.0
2006	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2007	2	0.0	17,000	0.0	8,500	0.0	8,500	0.0
2008	2	0.0	36,500	114.7	18,250	114.7	18,250	114.7
2009	1	-50.0	550	-98.5	550	-97.0	550	-97.0
2010	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2011	11	0.0	140,000	0.0	12,727	0.0	7,000	0.0
2012	18	63.6	125,600	-10.3	6,978	-45.2	4,150	-40.7
2013	18	0.0	235,100	87.2	13,061	87.2	10,050	142.2
2014	28	55.6	198,650	-15.5	7,095	-45.7	5,250	-47.8
2015	24	-14.3	172,200	-13.3	7,175	1.1	5,150	-1.9
2016	21	-12.5	142,800	-17.1	6,800	-5.2	5,200	1.0
2017	19	-9.5	160,000	12.0	8,421	23.8	6,000	15.4
2018	26	36.8	419,150	162.0	16,121	91.4	3,400	-43.3
2019	24	-7.7	92,650	-77.9	3,860	-76.1	2,050	-39.7
2020	1	-95.8	4,800	-94.8	4,800	24.4	4,800	134.2
2021	2	100.0	37,500	681.2	18,750	290.6	18,750	290.6
2022	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2023	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2024	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2025	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0

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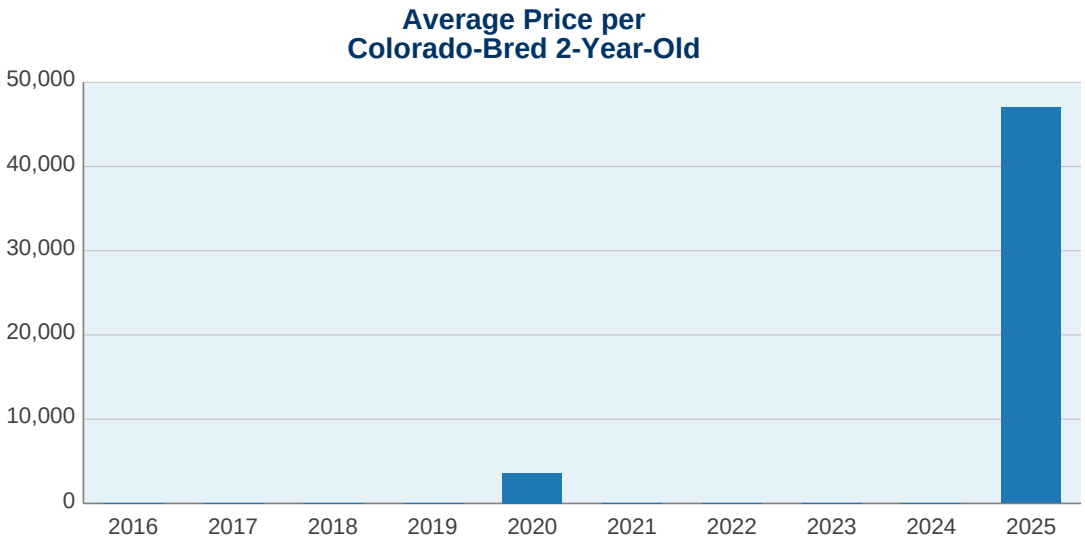

Sale Year	# Sold	Pct. Change	Gross Sales	Pct. Change	Avg. Price	Pct. Change	Median Price	Pct. Change
2000	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2001	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2002	3	0.0	12,500	0.0	4,167	0.0	600	0.0
2003	2	-33.3	180,000	1,340.0	90,000	2,059.8	90,000	14,900.0
2004	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2005	1	0.0	3,000	0.0	3,000	0.0	3,000	0.0
2006	1	0.0	7,500	150.0	7,500	150.0	7,500	150.0
2007	2	100.0	18,500	146.7	9,250	23.3	9,250	23.3
2008	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2009	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2010	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2011	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2012	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2013	2	0.0	80,000	0.0	40,000	0.0	40,000	0.0
2014	3	50.0	49,000	-38.8	16,333	-59.2	20,000	-50.0
2015	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2016	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2017	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2018	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2019	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2020	1	0.0	3,622	0.0	3,622	0.0	3,622	0.0
2021	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2022	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2023	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2024	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
2025	2	0.0	94,000	0.0	47,000	0.0	47,000	0.0