BLM Colorado: Valuing America's Public Lands 2024

\$ 8.8 billion in economic activity 39,400 jobs

BLM Colorado manages 8.3 million surface acres and 27.1 million subsurface acres. BLM Colorado public lands generate tens of thousands of jobs and billions of dollars in revenue every year for local, state and national economies.



















\$ 2.4 billion △ 9,400 jobs

\$381.6

Rocky

Mountain

\$ 1.9 billion **8,100 jobs**

\$210<u>.9</u>

\$436

\$1.6

\$5.7

n/a

\$16.7

\$37.8 million

\$148.9

\$10

Southwest

1.6 billion 8,000 jobs

\$509.9

\$147.9 million \$12.3

\$972.6 million

\$12,200

Upper Colorado River

\$ 2.1 billion

\$356.2

n/a

\$661,200

\$16.3

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Economic activity across BLM-managed lands in Colorado generated **\$8.8 billion** in fiscal year 2023 and supported **39,400 total jobs**.

In FY 23, oil and gas produced from federal lands generated \$5.7 billion, or nearly 65% of the total BLM economic contributions to the state's economy.

Recreation, another significant contributor to the state's economy, generated \$1.5 billion in economic output and supported 11,300 jobs from BLM-managed lands across Colorado.

Colorado ranked in the **top 5 among the nation's BLM states** for economic contributions in FY 23 for recreation (3rd), oil and gas (4th), coal (3rd) and timber (2nd).

BLM Colorado authorizes livestock grazing on **7.8 million acres** in the state, supporting livestock management on **about 2,400 separate grazing allotments** by **more than 1,000 ranching operations**.

