



#### **ACC MEMBER:**

CSIA (Colorado Software and Internet Association)

#### **ORGANIZATION TYPE:**

Membership/Industry Trade Association

#### **WHAT IT DOES:**

Fosters growth and innovation to enable the technology industry in Colorado to compete globally. CSIA is the voice of Colorado's technology community, connecting member companies and building recognition of the state as a global leader in technology development and application.

#### **EVENTS/PROGRAMS:**

- CSIA DEMOGala  
Apex Awards
- Annual IT Colorado Magazine and Membership Directory
- Seminars, workshops, business networking opportunities, and public policy initiatives

#### **WEBSITE:**

[coloradosoftware.org](http://coloradosoftware.org)

#### **How Does IT Affect Colorado's Economy?**

- 3,000 Information Technology companies operate statewide and have local, regional, national, and global customers.
- There are more than 95,000 IT workers in Colorado.
- More than 1,000 jobs were added in the sector in 2005.
- The estimated annual IT payroll is more than \$2.5 billion.
- The average annual salary for software and IT company employees is more than \$68,000.
- Colorado ranks 5th in the US in software services employment.
- According to Colorado Labor Statistics, IT jobs will account for most of the major job growth in the state through 2012.
- Colorado ranks 2nd for its share of computer and information science experts in the nation.
- Sales of computer-related and electronic products totaled \$3.9 billion in 2004, comprising 59% of total state exports.
- Boulder-Longmont has been ranked as the leading area in the country for software employment for the past four years. Denver was ranked 13th and Colorado Springs was ranked 24th.
- During the past five years, Colorado has ranked 2nd in the nation in number of recent science and engineering graduate students.
- Technology also acts as a catalyst for other industry sectors to prosper and be successful in the implementation of various new technologies.