
B.O.L.D.
2026
GREATER ARVADA
Chamber of Commerce


Impression of Session
2025 Legislative Review & Business Impact

Impression of Session Agenda

1. Welcome and Overview
2. Keynote Presentation - Meghan Dollar, Colorado Chamber of Commerce
3. Legislative Roundtables

   Featuring:

   Representative Lisa Feret

   Representative Brianna Titone

   Senator Lindsey Daugherty

   Senator Barbara Kirkmeyer
4. Wrap-up & Closing



B.O.L.D. 2026 Advocacy Initiative

The Greater Arvada Chamber is dedicated to fostering a healthy business environment through the promotion of business-friendly policies. By connecting business to regulatory issues, advocating for pro-business legislation, and streamlining processes, the Chamber aims to protect and enhance the interests of local businesses.

Key Resources and Opportunities for Local Business Leaders:

- Legislative Bill Tracker & 2025 Advocacy Report Card - 22 bills the Greater Arvada Chamber took a position on in 2025
- Advocacy Network
- Advoccay Network Briefings
- Candidate & Elected Official Engagement

Keynote Presentation

Meghan Dollar

Senior Vice President of Government Affairs and Political Operations

Colorado Chamber of Commerce



Impressions of the 2025 Legislative Session

Meghan Dollar
SVP of Government Affairs & Political Operations, Colorado Chamber

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The Business Climate

Business priorities

- Regulatory and legal environment cost and hassle
  - Labor and employment regs
  - Regulatory fees
  - Environmental regs
- Finding and retaining skilled workers
- Affordable and attainable housing

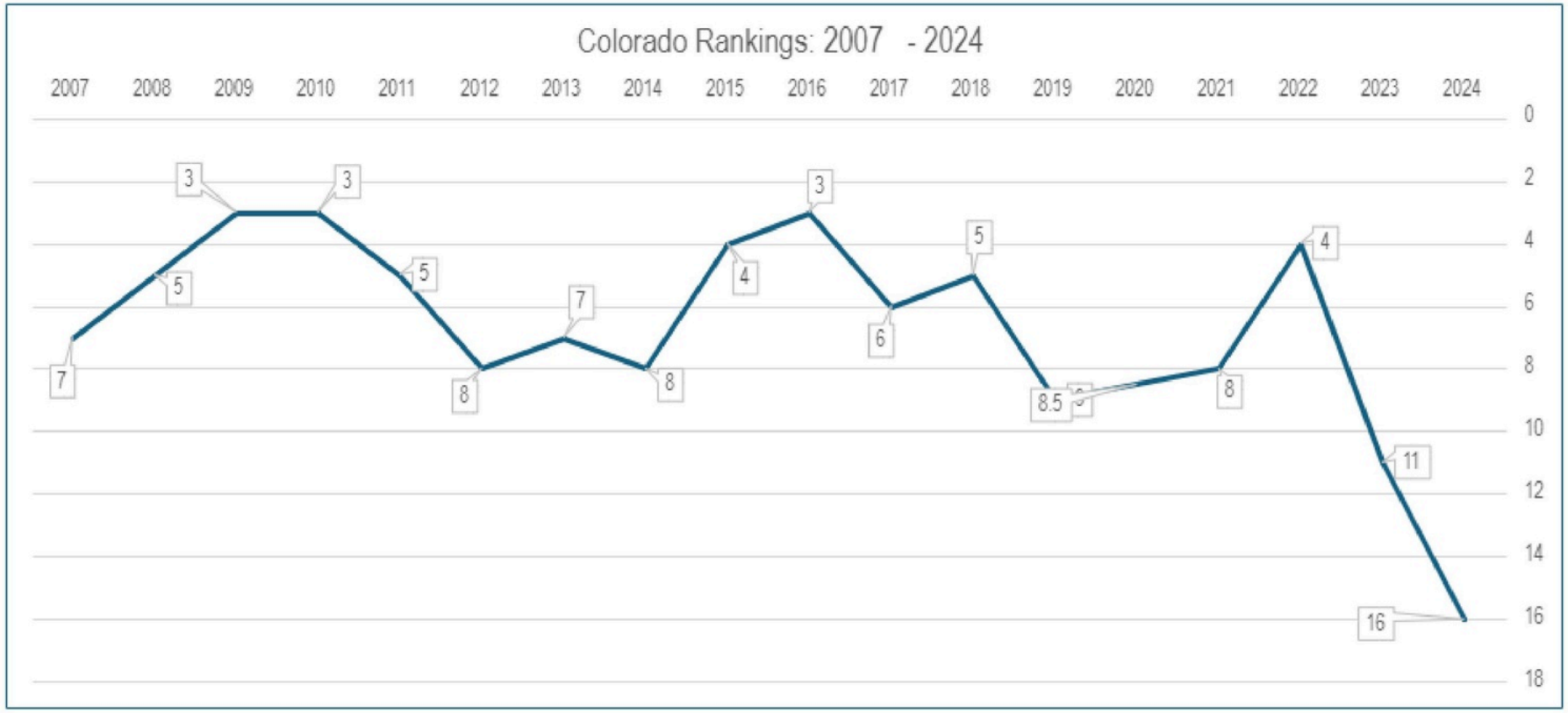
Voter priorities

- Cost and availability of housing
- Cost of living
- Schools and education
- Homelessness
- Immigration

CNBC Business Friendliness Rankings

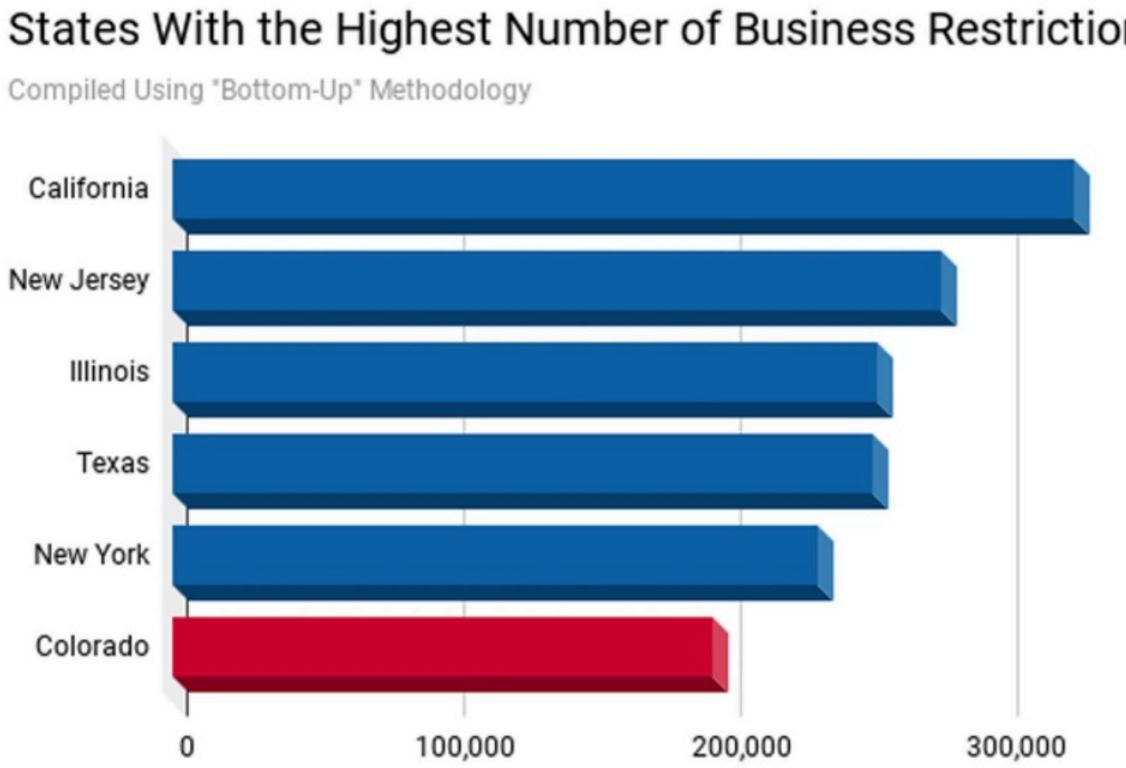
Category	2023 grade	2024 grade
Workforce	B	C+
Infrastructure	B	B+
Economy	D+	C+
Cost of doing business	D+	D+
Technology and innovation	B+	B+
Business friendliness	B-	C-
Education	B	B-
Access to capital	B	B-
Cost of living	D+	F

CNBC Business Friendliness Rankings



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Colorado is 6th most-regulated state in the nation



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Source: 2024 Regulation Impact Analysis Report, Colorado Chamber

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Annual Cost of Complying with Business Regulations:



2.66 jobs

Annual Cost of Lost Sales Due to Business Regulations:



3.5 jobs

Annual Cost of Unintended Consequences of Business Regulations:



1.75 jobs

Total Jobs Impact for 10% Increase in Regulations:



7.9 jobs

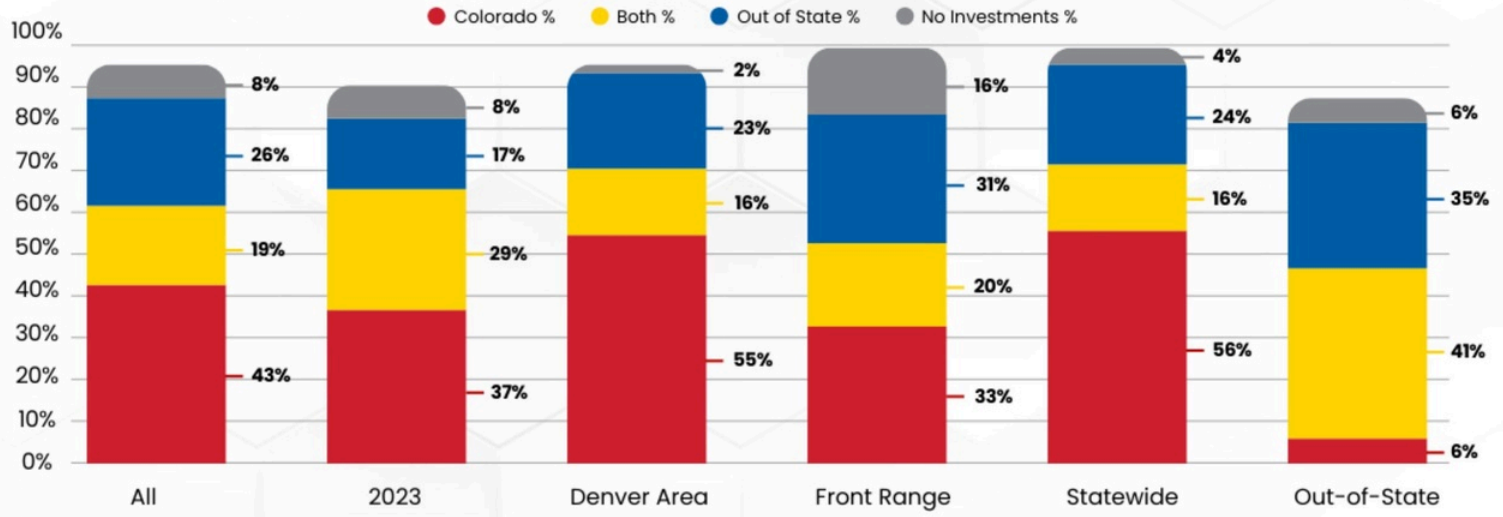
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WHERE MOST LIKELY TO MAKE FUTURE INVESTMENTS?

43% In Colorado; 19% Out of State; 26% Both; 8% Won't Make Investments; 3% Undecided



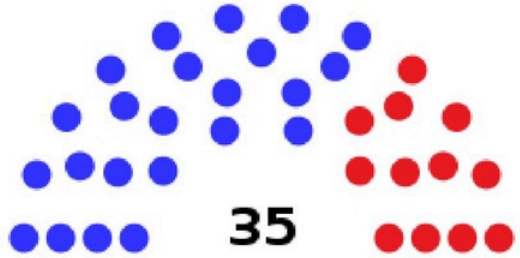
We now have 34% indicating they are not likely to make investments in Colorado — this is up from 25% last year. Among those already working in other states, this hits 41%.

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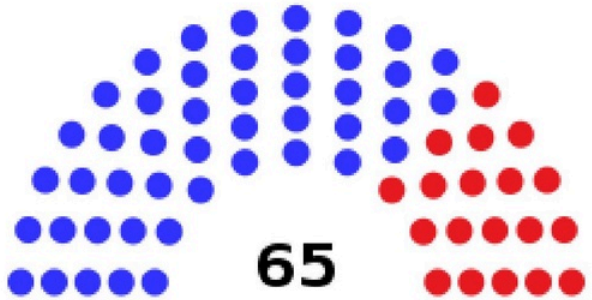
The Political Climate

Legislative makeup: party politics



Colorado Senate

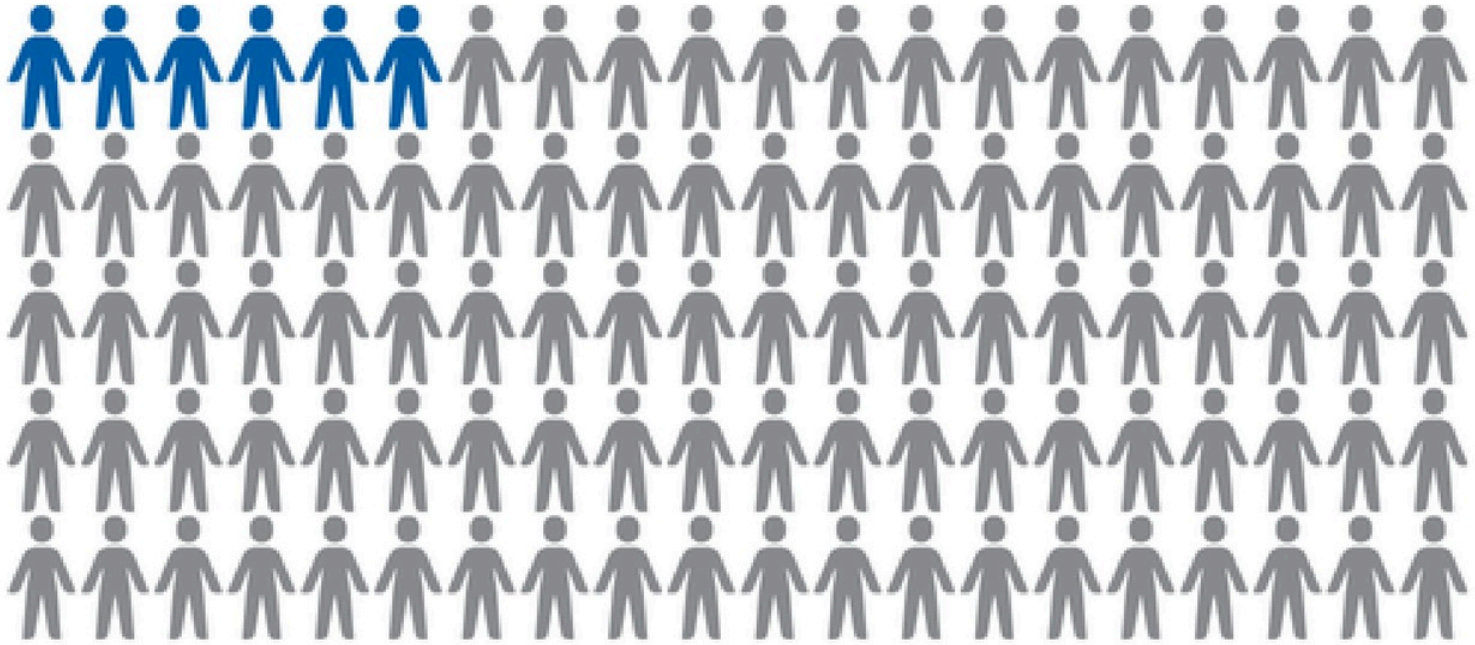
Democrats (23)
Republicans (12)



Colorado House

Democrats (46)
Republicans (19)

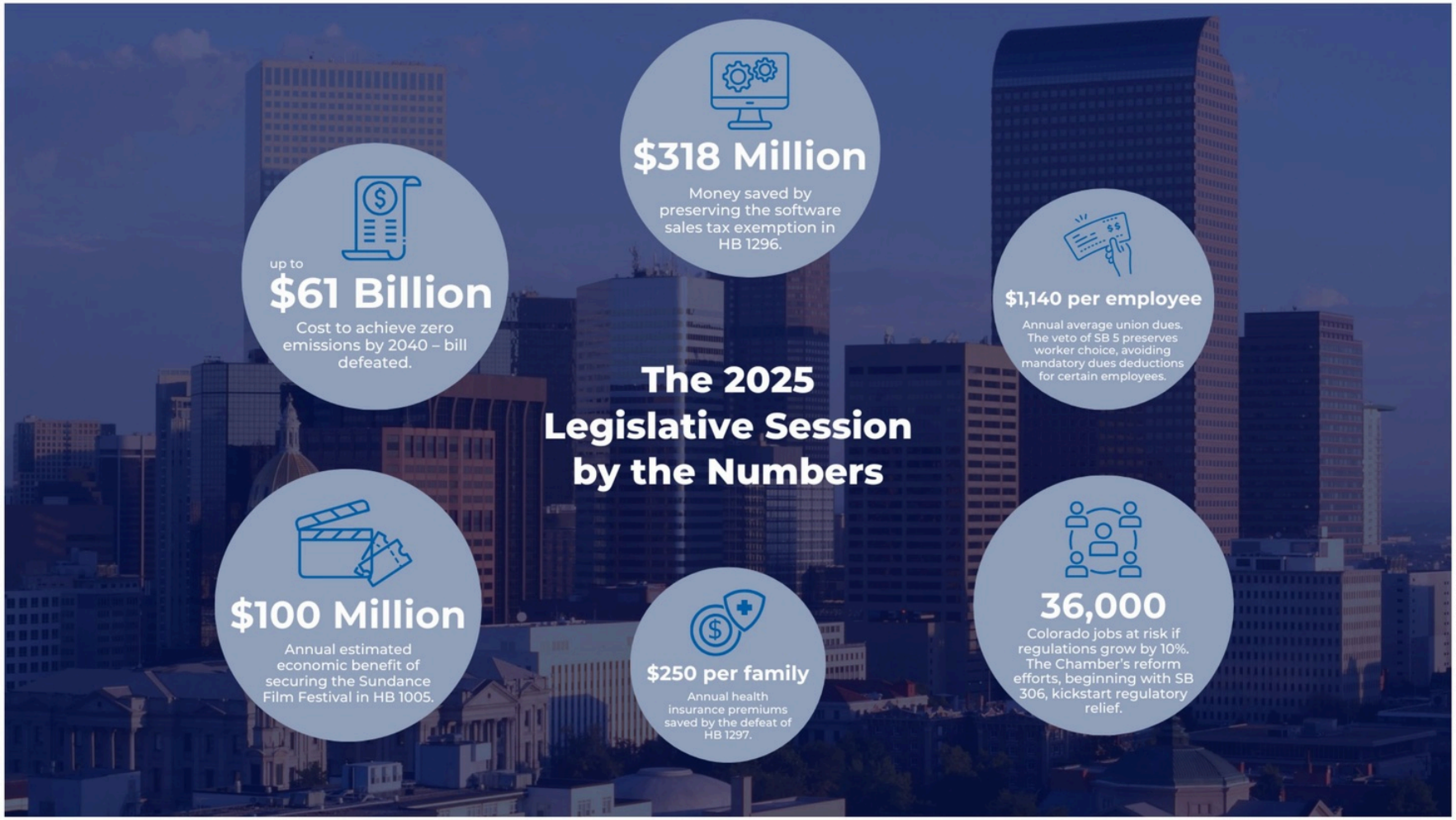
Legislative makeup: legislators who have run a company



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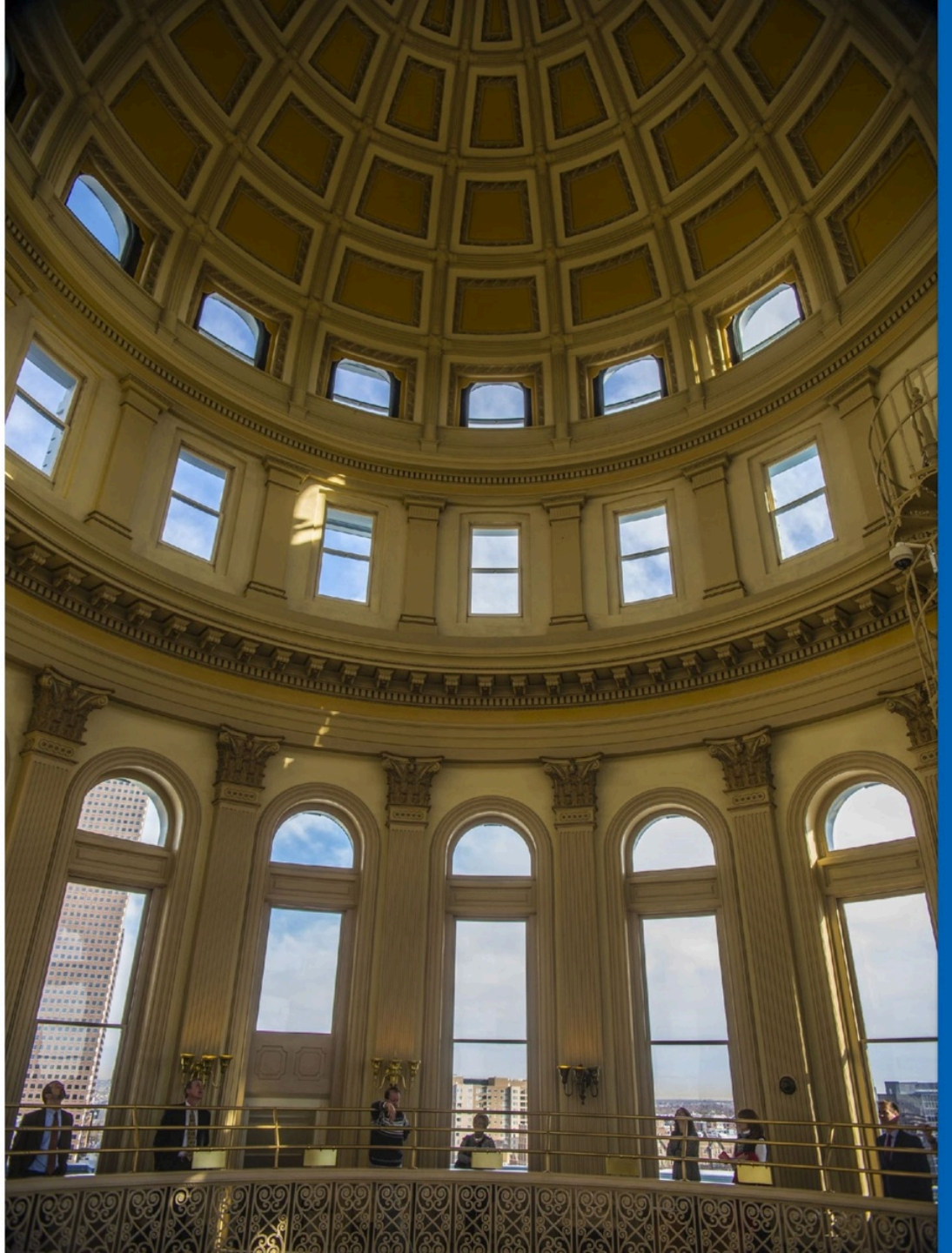
2025 Legislative Session: key wins



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2025 session key legislation: Cost of living/doing business

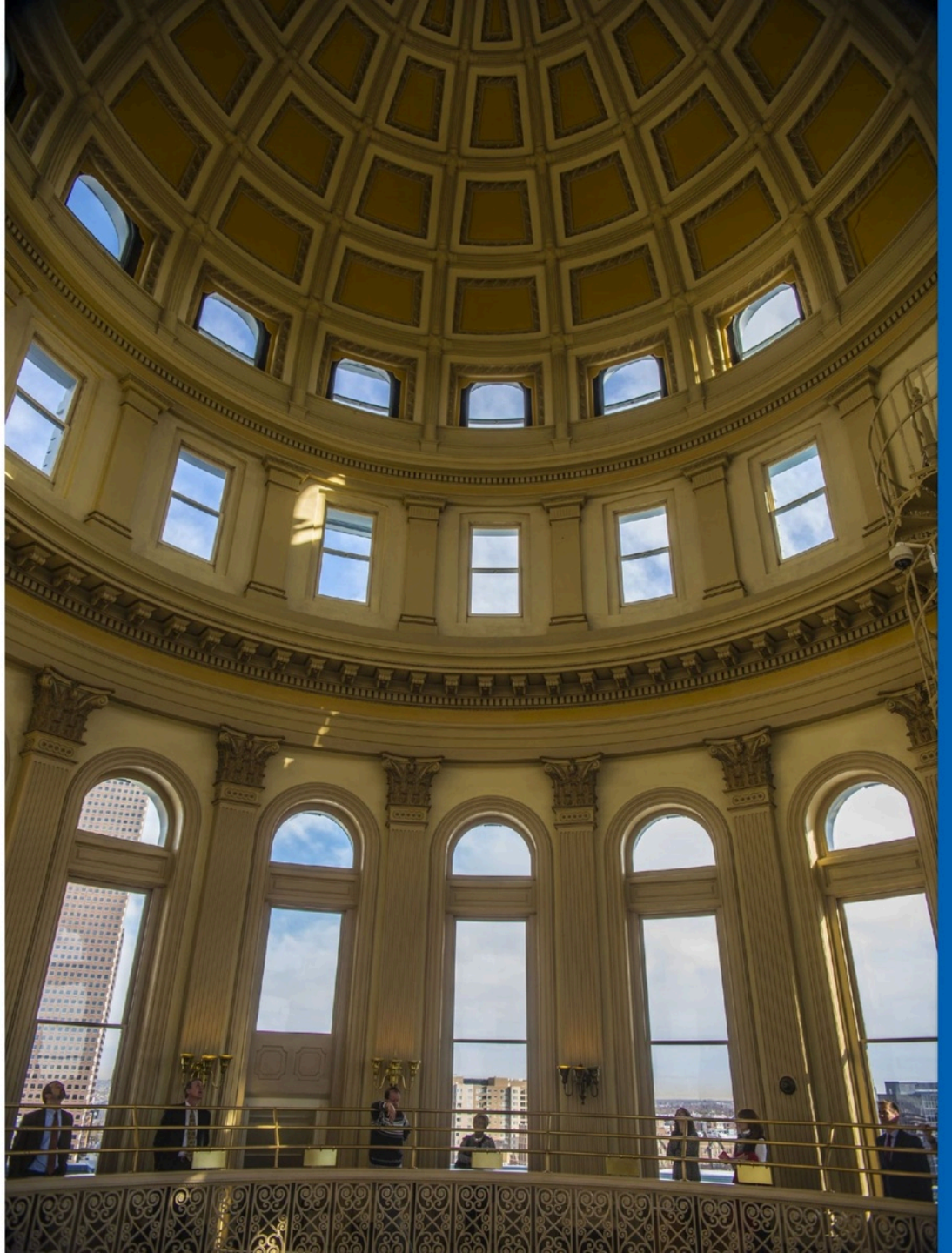
- The big 3 fee bills
- The tax bill
- Price gouging
- Opening the Consumer Protection Act
- Limiting foreign investments in lawsuits



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2025 session key legislation: Regulatory environment

- Extreme temperatures
- Emissions reporting
- 2040 plan acceleration
- Artificial intelligence regulation
- Labor Peace Act

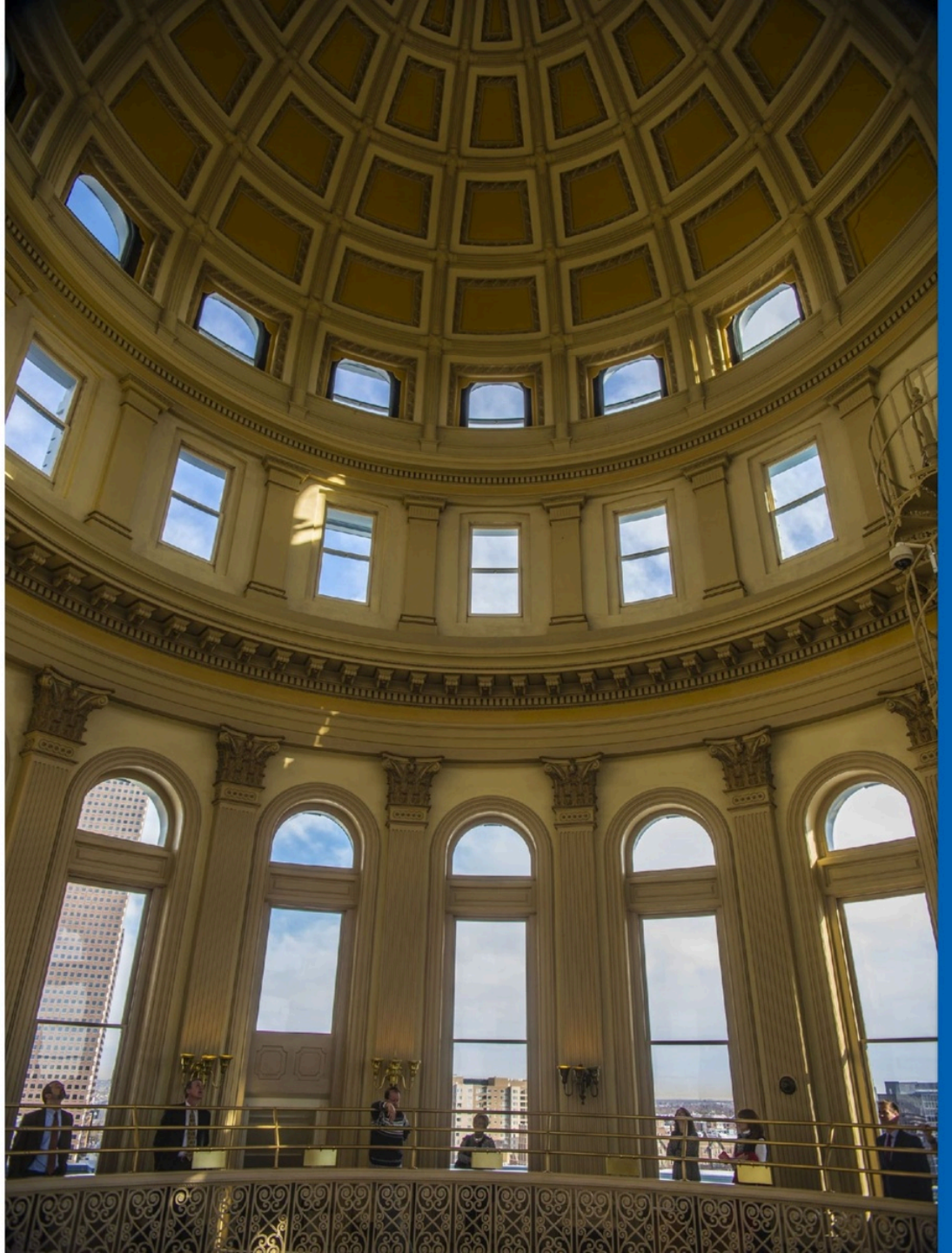


Special Session

- Budget woes- $700-$800 million
- Big Beautiful Bill implications
- Artificial Intelligence
- Healthcare Affordability Insurance Fee

2026 Session Preview

- Encore! Encore! – Fees, Temps, Taxes
- Labor Peace Act
- Regulatory Reform



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COLORADO SCORECARD

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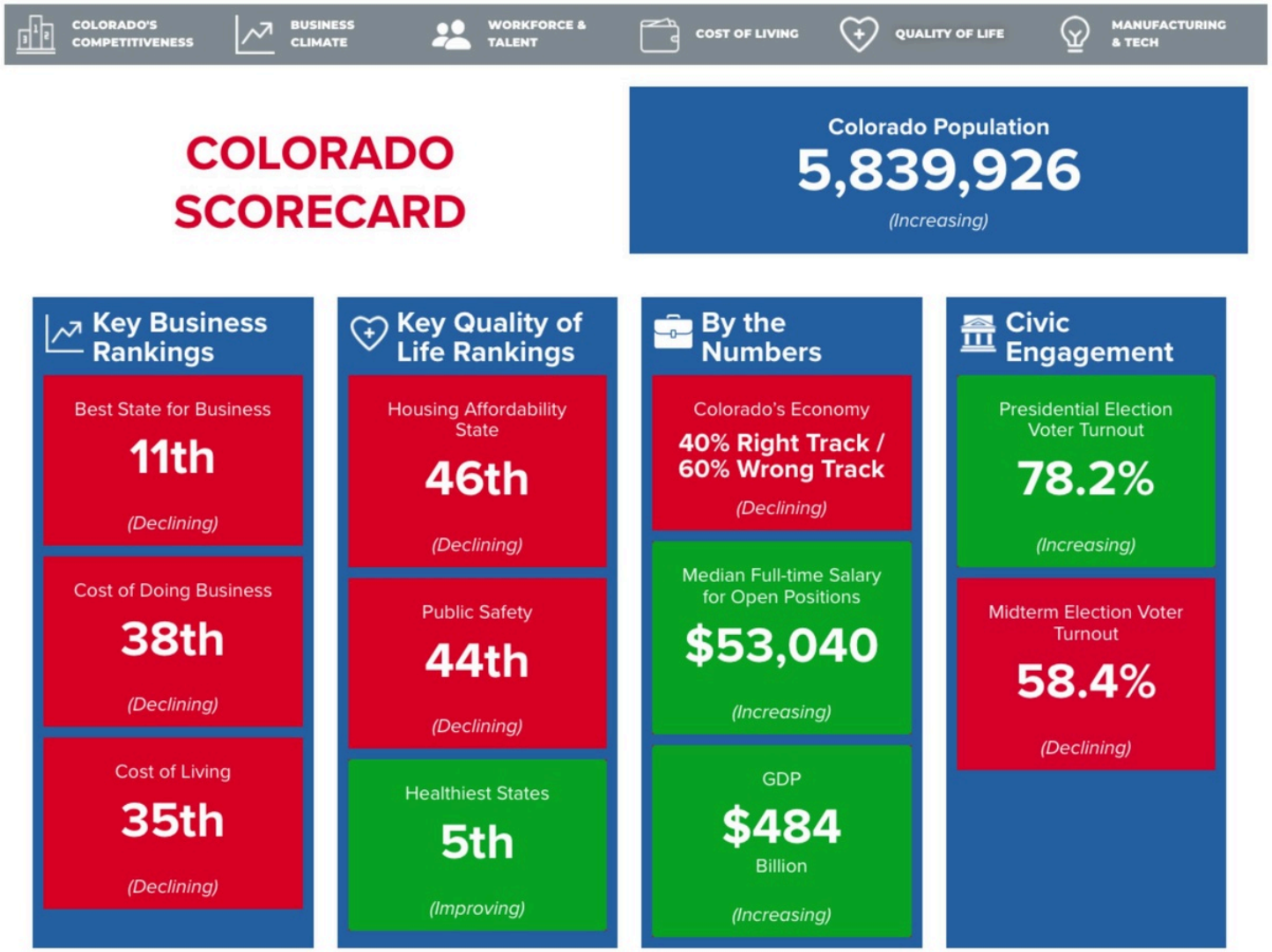
Thanks to the Colorado Chamber of Commerce for this important information! Obvious room for improvement...

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Representative Matt Soper
@SoperMatthew

The Colorado numbers unfortunately are worse than a year over year report shows. Almost all metrics are trending negative over the past 5 yrs and over the last 20 yrs we would be graded as a state in need of major reform.

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Questions and comments

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State Legislative Roundtables



Representative Lisa Feret

District 24



Representative Brianna Titone

District 27



Senator Lindsey Daugherty

District 19



Senator Barbara Kirkmeyer

District 23



How can local business leaders be involved in state policy?

What to expect from the 2026 Legislative Session?

How to Participate in the B.O.L.D. 2026 Initiative

Join a Network

Review initiative resources or participate in a program

Read and share B.O.L.D. 2026 communications, resources, and information

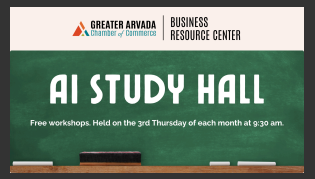
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Upcoming B.O.L.D. 2026 Activities and Events



Resilience Workshop: From Disruption to Direction

August 21, 2025



A.I. Study Hall: Moving the Marketing Needle Faster with A.I.

August 21, 2025



EOS Cohort

Starts on September 3, 2025

THANK YOU for Joining Us Today!

Thank you to Meghan Dollar for presenting today!

Thank you to our State Legislators: Representative Lisa Ferret, Representative Brianna Titone, Senator Lindsey Daugherty, Senator Barbara Kirkmeyer for joining us this morning!

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