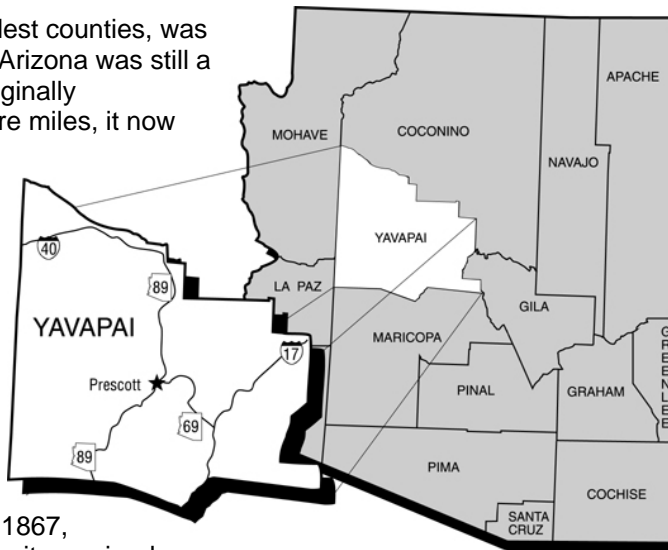


## Profile:

# Yavapai County, Arizona

Yavapai County, one of the state's oldest counties, was among the original four created when Arizona was still a territory. Although Yavapai County originally encompassed more than 65,000 square miles, it now covers only 8,125 square miles, but is still as large as the state of New Jersey. It was called the "Mother of Counties," from which Apache, Coconino, Gila, Maricopa and Navajo counties were all formed.

The provisional seat of the territorial government was established at Fort Whipple in Chino Valley on Jan. 22, 1864. Nine months later it was moved 20 miles away to a little mining community named Prescott. In 1867, the capital was moved to Tucson where it remained for 10 years. Then the capital was shifted back to Prescott, where it remained until 1889, when it was permanently relocated to Phoenix.



Yavapai County offers many local attractions ranging from natural to cultural to educational. Scenic pine forests provide year-round recreational opportunities, and museums, monuments and rodeos reflect Arizona's tribal and territorial past. Institutions of higher learning include two colleges and an aeronautical university. The county has experienced tremendous growth in recent years, with the population up by more than 30 percent since 1990. Some unincorporated areas in Yavapai County and the central area in the City of Prescott has been designated as an Enterprise Zone. In addition, parts of Chino Valley, Camp Verde and Prescott Valley have been designated as an Enterprise Zone.

The U.S. Forest Service owns 38 percent of the land in Yavapai County, including portions of Prescott, Tonto and Coconino national forests, while the state of Arizona owns an additional 24.6 percent. Twenty-five percent is individually or corporately owned, and 11.6 percent is the property of the U.S. Bureau of Land Management. The Yavapai Indian Reservation and public lands each occupy less than 0.5 percent of the county.



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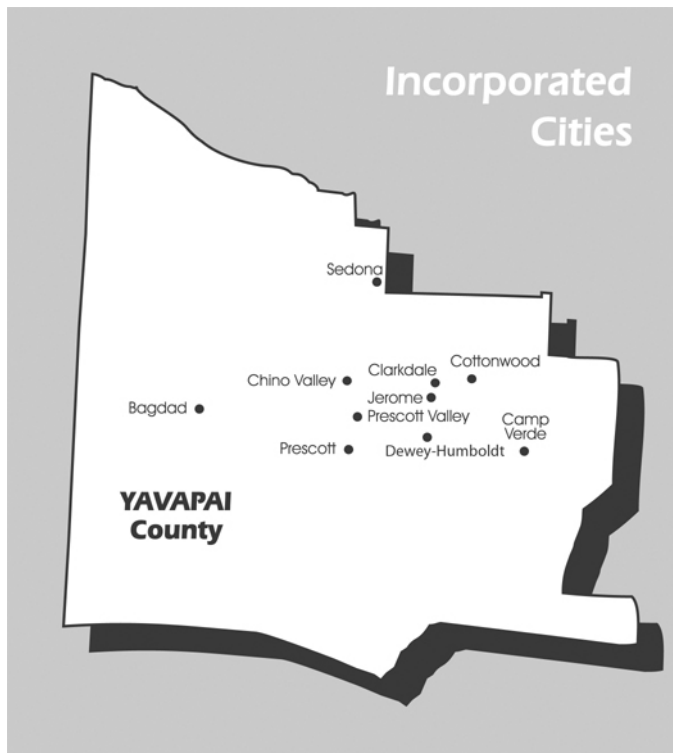
## Yavapai County At-A-Glance



## Population

<b>County Seat:</b>	Prescott
<b>2008 Population:</b>	227,348
<b>2008 Labor Force:</b>	101,500
<b>Unemployment Rate:</b>	5.0%
<b>Major Industries:</b>	Retail Trade, Services, Public Administration
<b>Best Paying Industries:</b>	Finance, Insurance & Real Estate, Public Administration, Manufacturing

Sources: July 2008, Population Estimates July 2008, Strategic Investment and Research, Arizona Department of Commerce; December 2008 Special Unemployment Report, Arizona Department of Commerce, Strategic Investment and Research.



	1990	2000	2008
Arizona	3,665,228	5,130,632	6,629,455
Yavapai County	68,145	167,517	227,348

### Major Cities/Communities

Bagdad	1,858	1,578	N/A
Camp Verde	6,243	9,451	11,580
Chino Valley	4,837	7,835	13,069
Clarkdale	2,144	3,422	4,030
Cottonwood	5,918	9,179	11,230
Dewey-Humboldt	N/A	N/A	4,444
Jerome	403	329	329
Prescott	26,592	33,938	43,230
Prescott Valley	8,858	23,535	38,962
Sedona (Coconino & Yavapai)	7,720	10,192	11,372
Verde Village	7,000	10,610	N/A

Source: U.S. Census Bureau and Arizona Department of Commerce, Strategic Investment and Research.

N/A - Not available

## Age Distribution

	% of total
0-14	17.2%
15-24	11.0%
25-44	22.4%
45-64	27.4%
65+	22.0%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, April 1, 2000 Census

## Population Composition\*

Race	% of total
White	91.9%
African American	0.4%
Native American	1.6%
Asian or Pacific Islander	0.6%
Other	5.5%
Totals	100.0%
Hispanic Heritage*	9.8%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, April 1, 2000 Census

\* Persons of Hispanic heritage may be of any race



## Labor Force

### 2008 Civilian Labor Force

	Labor Force	Unemployment Rate
Arizona	3,132,667	5.5%
Yavapai County	101,500	5.0%

### Major Cities/Communities

Ash Fork	367	17.7%
Bagdad	1,167	8.3%
Camp Verde	5,526	7.6%
Chino Valley	4,762	5.8%
Clarkdale	2,075	5.4%
Cottonwood	5,305	6.1%
Dewey-Humboldt	3,341	3.9%
Jerome	277	5.8%
Prescott	18,915	5.0%
Prescott Valley	13,940	5.7%
Sedona (Yavapai)	7,018	5.4%
Yarnell	361	8.9%
Peoples Valley	140	11.4%
Yavapai-Prescott Indian Reservation	94	3.2%

Source: December 2008 Special Unemployment Report, Arizona Department of Commerce, Strategic Investment and Research.

## 2008 Employment by Sector

	(in thousands)
Mining and Construction	8.3
Education & Health Services	10.1
Financial Activities	2.5
Government	12.8
Leisure & Hospitality	8.4
Manufacturing	3.1
Professional & Business Services	4.2
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	12.6
Information	.6

Source: Prepared in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, Arizona Department of Commerce, Strategic Investment and Research.  
Figures are organized under the North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS).

## 2008 Total All Occupations

<i>Employment</i>	62,170
<i>Hourly Compensation</i>	
Median Wage	\$13.76
Average Wage	\$17.03
Entry Wage *	\$8.88
Experienced **	\$21.10

## 2008 Employment by Occupation - Average Wages

	<i>Employment</i>	<i>Avg. Wages</i>
Office & Administrative Support	10,460	\$13.91
Food Preparation & Serving Related	7,090	\$9.61
Construction & Extraction	5,940	\$17.34
Sales & Related	6,750	\$15.05
Education, Training & Library	3,750	\$18.09
Transportation & Material Moving	3,520	\$14.44
Healthcare Practitioners & Technical	3,910	\$32.15
Production	2,740	\$15.12
Management	2,820	\$35.06

Source: Prepared by the Ariz. Dept. of Commerce, Strategic Investment and Research in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, July 2008  
\* 10<sup>th</sup> percentile \*\* 75<sup>th</sup> percentile

## Major Employers

<i>Employer</i>	<i>Employment Type</i>
Ace Hardware, Prescott Valley	Retail
APS, Prescott	Electric Services
The Arbors, Camp Verde	Elderly Care
Atria & Kachina Point Assisted Living, Retirement, Sedona	Health Care Center
Bashas'	Grocery
Camp Verde Public Schools, Camp Verde	School
Caradon Better Bilt, Prescott Valley	Manufacturer
Chase Bank	Banking
Chino Valley Unified School District #51	Education
Cliff Castle Casino, Yavapai-Apache Reservation	Gaming
City of Cottonwood	Government
Conner Hotel	Hotel
Cottonwood/Oak Creek Schools	School
DoubleTree Sedona Resort, Sedona	Resort Hotel
Griffith Enterprises, Cottonwood	Manufacturing
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Prescott	Colleges/Universities
Enchantment Resort, Sedona	Resort Hotel
Freeport-McMoRan Bagdad Copper	Mining
Humboldt Unified School District	Education
Exsil, Inc., Prescott	Mfg./Recycling
Los Abrigados Resort, Sedona	Resort Hotel
Mingus Union High School District, Cottonwood	School

Phelps & Sons Trusses, Cottonwood	Truss Manufacturing
Phoenix Cement Co., Clarkdale	Cement
City of Prescott	Government
Prescott Resort	Lodging
Prescott Unified School District	Education
Price Costco Store, Prescott	Retail
Ruger Investment Castings, Prescott	Steel Foundries
Safeway, Chino Valley, Jerome	Retail Grocery
Sedona/Oak Creek Unified School District,	School
Sky Fire, Jerome	Retail
Sturm Ruger & Co., Prescott	Manufacturer
Target Store, Prescott	Retail
Town of Prescott Valley	Government
U.S. Forest Service	Government
Veterans Administration Medical Center, Prescott	Hospital
Verde Valley Medical Center, Cottonwood	Hospital
Wal-Mart, Cottonwood & Prescott	Retail
West Yavapai Guidance Clinic, Prescott	Medical
Wulfsberg Electronics, Prescott	Communications Equipment
Yavapai Community College	College
Yavapai County	Government
Yavapai Gaming Agency,	Gaming
Yavapai Regional Medical Center, Prescott	Hospital

Sources: Freeport-McMoRan Copper & Gold Inc.; Camp Verde Chamber of Commerce; Chino Valley Area Chamber of Commerce; Cottonwood Chamber of Commerce; Jerome Chamber of Commerce; Prescott Chamber of Commerce; Prescott Valley Chamber of Commerce and Sedona Chamber of Commerce



### Electric Service

*Major Suppliers:*

APS	(800) 253-9407
Citizens Utilities	(800) 352-3010

### Natural Gas Service

*Major Supplier:*

Citizens Arizona Gas	(800) 936-7008
Citizens Utilities Co.	(800) 352-3010

### Water and Sewer

For information, see specific community profile or contact the local chamber of commerce directly.

### Telephone

*Major Suppliers:*

Table Top Telephone, Inc.	(800) 560-8101
Qwest	(800) 244-1111



# Education

Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Prescott (800) 888-3728  
 Northern Arizona University - Yavapai, Prescott (928) 523-5511  
 Prescott College, Prescott (928) 778-2090  
 Yavapai College, Prescott (928) 445-7300



# Medical

*Major Hospitals:*  
 Verde Valley Medical Center, Cottonwood (928) 634-2251  
 Veterans Administration Medical Center, Prescott (520) 445-4860  
 Yavapai Regional Medical Center, Prescott (520) 445-2700



# Transportation

## Highways

Interstate 17, I-40, U.S. 93, state Highway 69, state Highway 71, state Highway 89, state Highway 89A, state Highway 96, state Highway 97, state Highway 169, state Highway 179, state Highway 260

## Bus Lines

Greyhound Bus Lines (800) 231-2222  
 Prescott Transit Authority (928) 445-5470

## Rail Service

Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway (800) 289-2673

## Trucking Service

Dewitt Bros Trucking, Federal Express, UPS, Yellow Freight

## Air Service

### Major Airports

**Airport Name: Bagdad** (no phone)  
 Functional Class: Community Service  
 Elevation: 4,183'  
 Ownership: Public-Yavapai County  
 Use: Public  
 Nav-Aids: None  
 Runway: 05/23 Length: 4,575' Width: 60'  
 Surface: Asphalt

**Airport Name: Cottonwood Municipal** (928) 634-5635  
 Functional Class: Community Service  
 Elevation: 3,550'  
 Ownership: Public-City of Cottonwood  
 Use: Public/Commercial  
 Nav-Aids: None  
 Runway: 14/32 Length: 4,250' Width: 75'  
 Surface: Asphalt

**Airport Name: Prescott-Ernest A. Love Field**  
 Functional Class: Commercial Service  
 Elevation: 5,042'  
 Ownership: Public-City of Prescott  
 Use: Public/Commercial/Military  
 Nav-Aids: ILS/VOR  
 Runway: 03/21 Length: 7,616' Width: 150'  
 Surface: Asphalt  
 Runway: 11/29 Length: 4,408' Width: 75'  
 Surface: Asphalt

**Airport Name: Sedona** (928) 282-4487  
 Functional Class: Commercial Service  
 Elevation: 4,827'  
 Ownership: Public-Yavapai County  
 Use: Public/Commercial/Military  
 Nav-Aids: NDB  
 Runway: 03/21 Length: 5,131' Width: 75'  
 Surface: Asphalt

Sources: Department of Transportation, Arizona Airports Land Use Compatibility Study, and Yavapai County Board of Supervisors



# Distance to Major Cities





## Camp Verde

There are several sites available in the Camp Verde area. Some have utilities available with nearby freeway access. For additional information call the Camp Verde Chamber of Commerce at (928) 567-9294 or the Town of Camp Verde at (928) 567-6631.

## Clarkdale

There is one industrial park with utilities available and rail and road transportation. Commercial properties are available in the central business district and the new areas of Clarkdale. Current information is available from the Clarkdale Chamber of Commerce at (928) 634-9591.

## Cottonwood

There are more than 160 acres of industrial parks with electricity, gas and water. For more information, contact the Foundation for Economic Development at (928) 634-7593, 1010 S. Main Street, Cottonwood, AZ 86326.

## Prescott

Prescott has five industrial parks totaling more than 380 acres. For more information, contact the City of Prescott Economic Development Office at (928) 777-1275.

## Prescott Valley

There are 300 acres of industrial parks with utilities available and highway access. Current information is available from the Prescott Valley Economic Development Foundation at (928) 775-0032.

## Yavapai Prescott Indian Reservation

There is an industrial park with one building of 6,500 square feet. Other sites may also be available for lease. For more information call the Yavapai Prescott Indian Tribe at (928) 445-8790.



## Industrial Development Authorities

### Industrial Development Authority of Yavapai County

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1251 N. Canvas Pas  
Prescott Valley, AZ 86314  
(928) 427-3124

### Industrial Development Authority of Yavapai County

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*Note: This information is as current as the date of this publication and was taken from reliable sources; however, we do not guarantee its completeness nor does the Arizona Department of Commerce endorse any particular individual. This information is provided as a service only.*

## Commercial Banks

Bank of America	National Bank of Arizona
Chase	Wells Fargo
Fifth Third Bank	

## State Corporate Income Tax

Corporate income tax rate is 6.968 percent effective for taxable



years beginning from and after December 31, 2000.

Source: Arizona Department of Revenue

## Property Tax

Community	School District	City/Fire	Countywide	Total
Bagdad	1.45	0.00	3.06	4.51
Camp Verde*	4.07	0.00	3.06	7.13
Chino Valley	3.67	0.00	3.06	6.73
Clarkdale*	3.43	0.71	3.06	7.20
Cottonwood*	3.98	0.00	3.06	7.04
Jerome*	3.43	0.76	3.06	7.25
Mayer	3.47	3.25	3.06	9.78
Prescott	2.80	0.42	3.06	6.28
Prescott Valley	6.67	0.00	3.06	9.73
Sedona*	2.15	1.65	3.06	6.86

\* School district participates in Valley Academy for Career & Technology District.  
Source: Arizona Tax Research Foundation, 2008 (Rate is per \$100 of assessed value)

## Sales Tax

The state imposes a 5.6 percent transaction privilege (sales) tax on most business activities. Yavapai County has a .75 cent sales tax. Camp Verde, Dewey-Humboldt and Prescott have a 2 percent sales tax rate. Cottonwood has a 2.2 sales tax rate. Clarkdale has a sales tax rate of 2.25 percent. Prescott Valley has a sales tax rate of 2.33. Chino Valley, Jerome and Sedona have a sales tax rate of 3 percent. Camp Verde has a 3 percent hotel/motel tax; Clarkdale and Cottonwood have an additional 2 percent hotel/motel tax; Prescott Valley has an additional 2.33 percent hotel/motel tax and Sedona and Chino Valley have a 3 percent hotel/motel tax.

## Payroll Taxes

Payroll taxes in Arizona are computed based on federal filing by employers and employees. Generally, withholding for state payroll taxes is between 10 and 37 percent of federal withholding based on employees' income.

Source: Arizona Department of Revenue



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P.O. Box 245  
Bagdad, AZ 86321 (928) 633-3355

**Black Canyon City Chamber of Commerce**

P.O. Box 1919 (623) 374-9797  
Black Canyon City, AZ 85324  
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**Chino Valley Area Chamber of Commerce**

P.O. Box 419/448 N. Hwy 89, Suites I-J (928) 636-2493  
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**Prescott Valley Chamber of Commerce**

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