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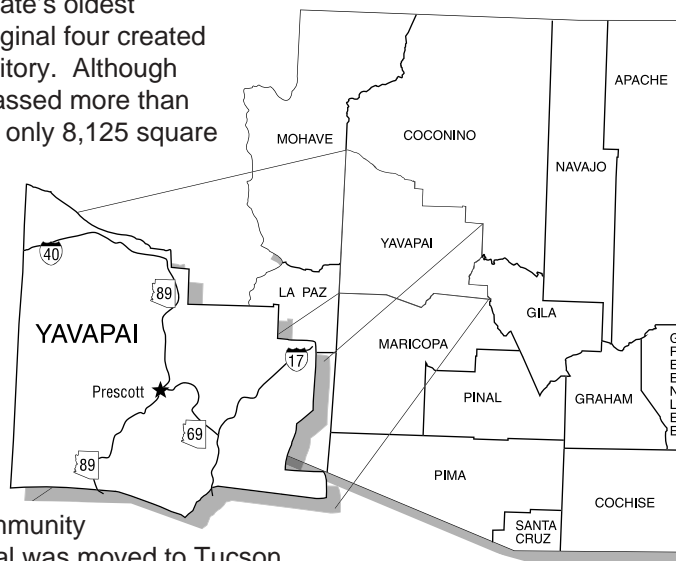
Yavapai County, Arizona

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. A small portion of the downtown area of the City of Prescott has been designated as an Enterprise Zone.

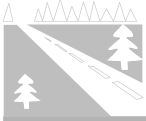
The U.S. Forest Service owns 38 percent of the land in Yavapai County, including portions of Prescott, Tonto and Coconino national forests, while the state of Arizona owns an additional 24.6 percent. Twenty-five percent is individually or corporately owned, and 11.6 percent is the property of the U.S. 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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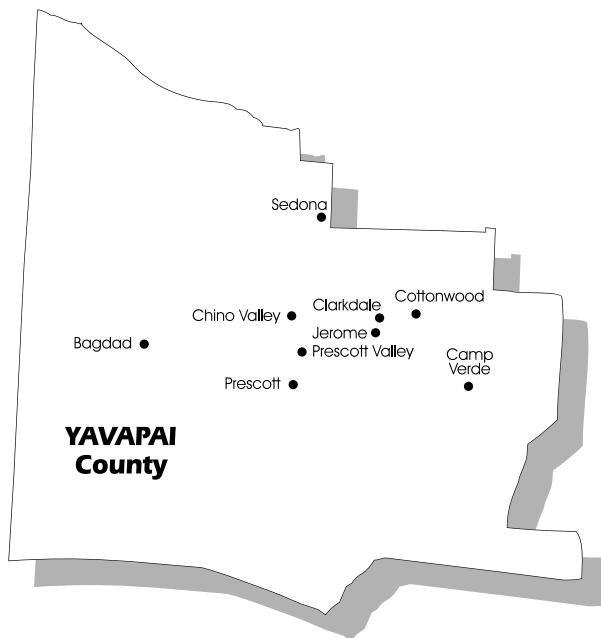


Yavapai County At-A-Glance

County Seat:	Prescott
2002 Population:	180,260
2002 Labor Force:	74,791
Unemployment Rate:	3.5%
Major Industries:	Retail Trade, Services, Public Administration
Best Paying Industries:	Finance, Insurance & Real Estate, Public Administration, Manufacturing

Sources: Population Estimates, Population Statistics Unit, Research Administration and 2002 Preliminary Special Unemployment Report, Arizona Department of Economic Security.

Incorporated Cities



Population

	1990	2000	2002
Arizona	3,665,228	5,130,632	5,472,750
Yavapai County	68,145	167,517	180,260

Major Cities/Communities

Bagdad	1,858	1,578	1,698*
Camp Verde	6,243	9,451	9,940
Chino Valley	4,837	7,835	8,205
Clarkdale	2,144	3,422	3,570
Cottonwood	5,918	9,179	10,020
Jerome	403	329	330
Prescott	26,592	33,938	36,375
Prescott Valley	8,858	23,535	26,115
Sedona (Coconino & Yavapai)	7,720	10,192	10,540
Verde Village	7,000	10,610	11,417*

Source: U.S. Census Bureau and Arizona Department of Economic Security, Population Statistics Unit.

* Based on county growth rate

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

2002 Civilian Labor Force

	Labor Force	Unemployment Rate
Arizona	2,493,892	5.8%
Yavapai County	74,791	3.5%
<i>Major Cities/Communities</i>		
Ash Fork	N/A	N/A
Bagdad	1,554	2.4%
Camp Verde	3,723	3.1%
Chino Valley	3,127	5.1%
Clarkdale	1,465	4.6%
Cottonwood	3,719	4.5%
Jerome	391	3.1%
Prescott	18,836	3.9%
Prescott Valley	6,251	3.1%
Sedona (Coconino & Yavapai)	5,587	1.7%
Cottonwood-Verde Village	4,598	3.5%
Yarnell/Peeples Valley	N/A	N/A
Yavapai-Prescott Indian Reservation	126	10.3%

Source: Arizona Dept. of Economic Security, 2002 Special Unemployment Report.

2002 Employment by Sector

Agriculture	815*
Manufacturing	3,250
Mining and Quarrying	775
Construction	4,900
Transportation, Communication, and Public Utilities	1,350
Trade	14,400
Finance, Insurance, and Real Estate	1,550
Services and Miscellaneous	15,725
Government	10,400

Source: Prepared in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, State of Arizona Economic Security Research Administration, 2002.

* Agricultural figure from 2001 4th Quarter, Arizona ES202 Data, AZ Dept. of Econ. Security in cooperation with the U.S. Dept. of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics.

2001 Total All Occupations

Employment	54,360
Hourly Compensation	
Median Wage	\$10.93
Average Wage	\$13.23
Entry Wage	\$ 6.34
Experienced	\$16.32

2001 Employment by Occupation - Average Wages

	Employment	Avg. Wages
Office & Administrative	8,730	\$11.10
Education, Training & Library	5,500	\$13.92
Food Preparation & Serving Related	5,340	\$ 7.18
Sales & Related	5,090	\$10.58
Construction & Extraction	4,470	\$14.32
Production	3,350	\$12.13
Management	2,890	\$25.37

Source: Prepared by the Ariz. Dept. of Economic Security, Research Administration in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, December 30, 2002

Major Employers

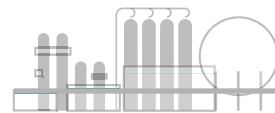
Employer	Employment Type
Ace Hardware, Prescott Valley	Retail
APS, Prescott	Electric Services
The Arbors, Camp Verde	Elderly Care
Atria & Kachina Point Assisted Living, Retirement, Sedona	Health Care Center
Camp Verde Public Schools, Camp Verde	School
Caradon Better Bilt, Prescott Valley	Manufacturer
Chino Valley Unified School District #51	Education
Cliff Castle Casino, Yavapai-Apache Reservation	Gaming
City of Cottonwood	Government
Cottonwood/Oak Creek Schools	School
Cyprus Bagdad Copper Corporation, Bagdad	Mining
DoubleTree Sedona Resort, Sedona	Resort Hotel
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, Prescott Colleges/Universities	Resort Hotel
Enchantment Resort, Sedona	Education
Humboldt Unified School District	Mfg./Recycling
Exsil, Inc., Prescott	Resort Hotel
Los Abrigados Resort, Sedona	School
Mingus Union High School District, Cottonwood	Truss Manufacturing
Phelps & Sons Trusses, Cottonwood	Cement
Phoenix Cement Co., Clarkdale	

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	Retail Grocery
Sedona/Oak Creek Unified School District,	School
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

Source: Local sources

Electric Service

Major Suppliers:	
APS	(800) 253-9407
Citizens Utilities	(800) 352-3010



Utilities

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



Tranportation

Highways

Interstate 17, I-40, U.S. 93, state Highway 69, state Highway 71, state Highway 89, state Highway 89A, state Highway 96, state High-way 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
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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

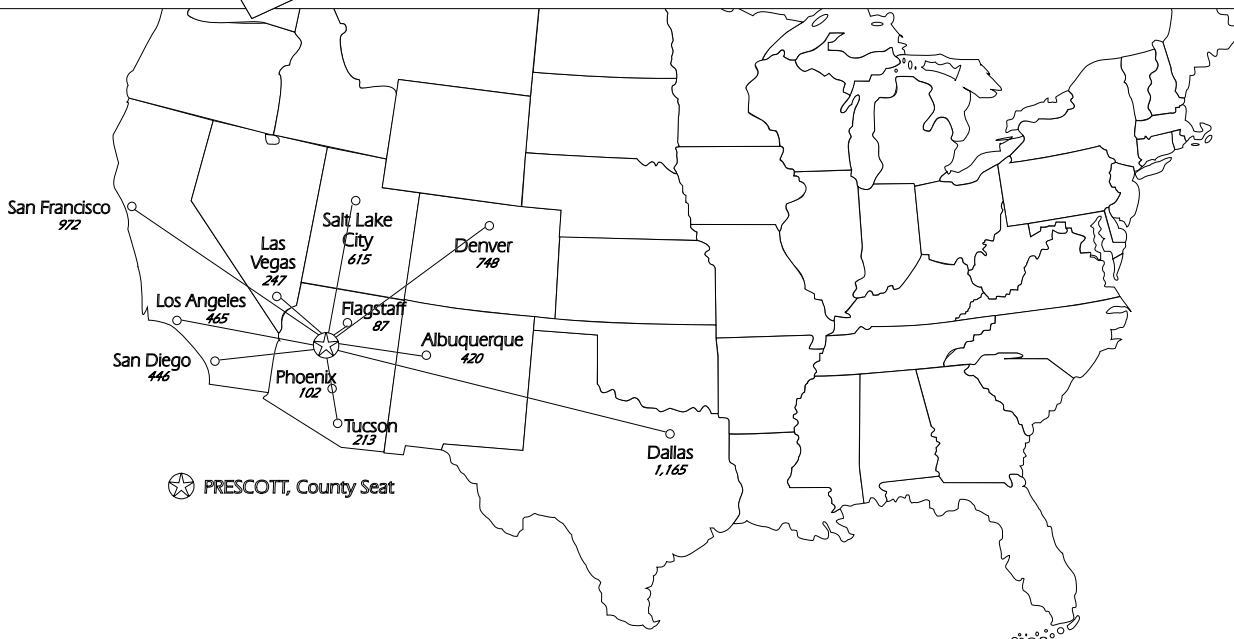
Airport Name: **Cottonwood Municipal** (928) 634-5635
 Functional Class: Community Service
 Elevation: 3,550'
 Ownership: Public-City of Cottonwood
 Use: Public/Commercial
 Nav-Aids: None
 Runway: 14/32 Length: 4,250' Width: 75'
 Surface: Asphalt

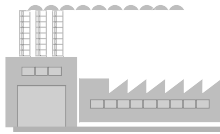
Airport Name: **Prescott-Ernest A. Love Field** (check phone #)
 Functional Class: Commercial Service
 Elevation: 5,042'
 Ownership: Public-City of Prescott
 Use: Public/Commercial/Military
 Nav-Aids: ILS/VOR
 Runway: 03/21 Length: 7,616' Width: 150'
 Surface: Asphalt
 Runway: 11/29 Length: 4,408' Width: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





Industrial Facilities

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 totalling 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.



Financial Authorities

Industrial Development Authorities

Industrial Development Authority of Yavapai County

Mr. H.W. Smith, President
HC 68 Box 2024
Kirkland, AZ 86332
(928) 427-3124

Industrial Development Authority of Prescott

Mr. Jesse F. Thomas, President
524 Shalimar Drive
Prescott, AZ 86303
(928) 445-5808/Fax: (928) 776-1268

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Commercial Banks

Arizona Bank
Bank of America
Bank One
County Bank
Fifth Third Bank
Founders Bank
Frontier State Bank
National Bank of Arizona
Norwest Bank
Pacific Century Bank
Stockmen's Bank
Wells Fargo
World Savings Bank



Taxes

Corporate Income Tax

Effective January 1, 2002, the corporate income tax rate is 6.968 percent.

Source: Arizona Department of Revenue

Property Tax

Community	School District	City/Fire	Total	Total Outside City
Bagdad	6.3127	0.0000	10.8174	10.8174
Camp Verde	5.0527*	0.0000 ¹	9.5574	9.5574
Chino Valley	5.4816	0.0000 ²	9.9863	9.9863
Clarkdale	4.1452*	1.1617	9.8116	8.6499
Cottonwood	5.2337*	0.0000	9.7384	9.7384
Jerome	4.1452*	1.3382	9.9881	8.6499
Mayer	3.9619	3.0000	11.4666	11.4666
Prescott	3.9805	0.7229	9.2081	8.4852
Prescott Valley	6.6115	0.0000	10.6197	10.6197
Sedona	3.4001	0.0000 ³	9.6648	7.9048

¹ Camp Verde F.D. pays a rate of 2.2199. ² Chino Valley F.D. pays a rate of 2.0400.

³ Sedona F.D. pays a rate of 1.7600.

* District pays an additional secondary rate of 0.0500 in 2002 for the Valley Academy for Career & Technology District.

Source: Arizona Tax Research Foundation, 2002 (Rate is per \$100 of assessed value)

Sales Tax

Effective May, 2002, 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, Chino Valley, Prescott, and Prescott Valley have a 2 percent sales tax rate. Cottonwood has a 2.20 sales tax rate. Clarkdale has a sales tax rate of 2.25 percent. Jerome and Sedona have a sales tax rate of 3 percent. As of April 2002, Camp Verde has a 3 percent hotel/motel tax; Chino Valley, Clarkdale, Cottonwood and Prescott Valley have a 2 percent hotel/motel tax and Sedona has 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 32 percent of federal withholding based on employees' income.

Source: Arizona Department of Revenue



For Further Information

Black Canyon City Chamber of Commerce

P.O. Box 1919 (928) 374-9797
Black Canyon City, AZ 85324 FAX: (623) 374-5252
www.blackcanyoncity.org

Camp Verde Chamber of Commerce

385 S. Main Street (928) 567-9294
Camp Verde, AZ 86322 FAX : (928) 567-4793

Chino Valley Area Chamber of Commerce

P.O. Box 419 (928) 636-2493
Chino Valley, AZ 86323 FAX: (928) 636-4112
www.chinovalley.org Email: chamber@chinovalley.org

Clarkdale Chamber of Commerce

P.O. Box 161 (928) 634-8700
Clarkdale, AZ 86324 FAX: (928) 634-0407
www.clarkdalechamber.com Email: ccofc@clarkdalechamber.com

Phelps Dodge Bagdad Inc.

c/o Insignia/ESG.
P.O. Box 202
Bagdad, AZ 86321 (928) 633-4107

Cottonwood Chamber of Commerce

1010 S. Main St. (928) 634-7593
Cottonwood, AZ 86326 FAX: (928) 634-7594
http://chamber.verdevalley.com
Email: cottonwoodchamber@sedona.net

Cottonwood Foundation for Economic Development

1010 S. Main Street (928) 634-7593
Cottonwood, AZ 85326 FAX: (928) 634-7594
http://chamber.verdevalley.com
Email: cottonwoodchamber@sedona.net

Jerome Chamber of Commerce

P. O. Drawer K (928) 634-2900
Jerome, AZ 86311 FAX: (928) 634-5477
www.jeromechamber.com Email: pcs@wildapache.net

City of Prescott Economic Development

201 S. Cortez Street (928) 777-1275
Prescott, AZ 86302 FAX: (928) 771-5870
www.cityofprescott.com

Prescott Chamber of Commerce

P.O. Box 1147 (928) 445-2000
Prescott, AZ 86302-1147 FAX: (928) 445-0068
www.prescott.org Email: chamber@prescott.org
Visitor Info: (800) 266-7534/(928) 445-2000

Prescott Valley Chamber of Commerce

8098 E. State Route 69, Ste. B (928) 772-8857
Prescott Valley, AZ 86314 FAX: (928) 772-4267
www.pvchamber.org Email: info@pvchamber.org

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3045 N. Tani, (928) 775-0032
Prescott Valley, AZ 86314 FAX: (928) 759-0829
www.pvedf.com Email: info@pvedf.com
Toll Free: (888) 240-4256

Sedona Focused Future Economic Development Action Team

102 Roadrunner Drive (928) 204-7123
Sedona, AZ 86336 FAX: (928) 204-7124

Sedona-Oak Creek Canyon Chamber of Commerce

P.O. Box 478 (928) 204-1123
Sedona, AZ 86339 FAX: (928) 204-1064
www.sedonachamber.com info@sedonachamber.com

Sedona - Village of Oak Creek Chamber of Commerce

P.O. Box 20667 (928) 284-3813
Sedona, AZ 86341 FAX: (928) 284-3571
Email: daves@sedona.net

Yarnell/Peeples Valley Chamber of Commerce

P.O. Box 275 (928) 427-6424
Yarnell, AZ 85362-0275 FAX: (928) 427-6443

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