

## Profile:

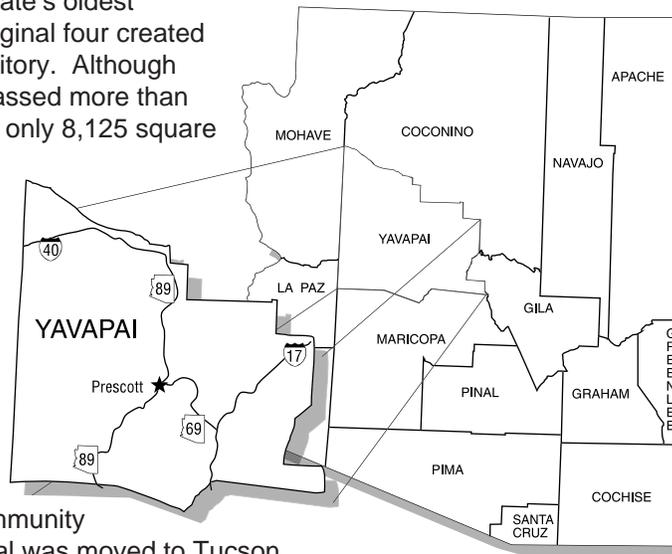
# Yavapai County, Arizona

**Y**avapai 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.

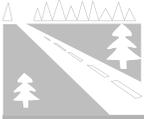


ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
*Our Job is JOBS!*

**ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

1700 W. Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85007 (602) 771-1186

[www.azcommerce.com](http://www.azcommerce.com)

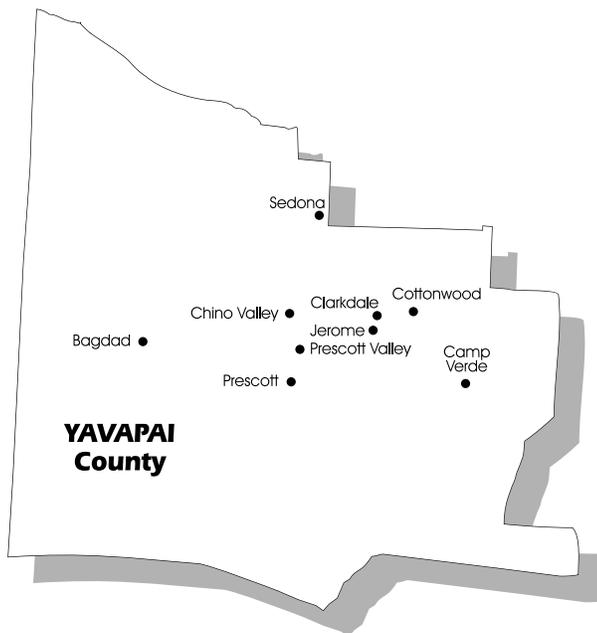


## Yavapai County At-A-Glance

<b>County Seat:</b>	Prescott
<b>2003 Population:</b>	186,885
<b>2003 Labor Force:</b>	81,770
<b>Unemployment Rate:</b>	3.3%
<b>Major Industries:</b>	Retail Trade, Services, Public Administration
<b>Best Paying Industries:</b>	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	2003
Arizona	3,665,228	5,130,632	5,629,870
Yavapai County	68,145	167,517	186,885

### Major Cities/Communities

Bagdad	1,858	1,578	1,760*
Camp Verde	6,243	9,451	10,095
Chino Valley	4,837	7,835	9,015
Clarkdale	2,144	3,422	3,595
Cottonwood	5,918	9,179	10,240
Jerome	403	329	330
Prescott	26,592	33,938	38,180
Prescott Valley	8,858	23,535	27,255
Sedona (Coconino & Yavapai)	7,720	10,192	10,700
Verde Village**	7,037	10,610	11,837*

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

\* Based on county growth rate

\*\* Verde Village figures reflect Cottonwood-Verde Village CDP.

## 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

### 2003 Civilian Labor Force

	Labor Force	Unemployment Rate
Arizona	2,690,294	5.6%
Yavapai County	81,770	3.3%
<i>Major Cities/Communities</i>		
Ash Fork	N/A	N/A
Bagdad	1,700	2.2%
Camp Verde	4,071	2.9%
Chino Valley	3,416	4.8%
Clarkdale	1,601	4.4%
Cottonwood	4,064	4.3%
Jerome	427	2.8%
Prescott	20,589	3.7%
Prescott Valley	11,618	2.9%
Sedona (Coconino & Yavapai)	6,063	1.7%
Cottonwood-Verde Village	5,027	3.4%
Yarnell/Peeples Valley	N/A	N/A
Yavapai-Prescott Indian Reservation	135	9.6%

Source: Arizona Dept. of Economic Security, 2003 Special Unemployment Report.

## 2003 Employment by Sector

Construction	5,425
Education & Health Svcs	8,175
Financial Activities	1,850
Government	10,750
Leisure & Hospitality	6,950
Manufacturing	3,175
Natural Resources & Mining	950
Professional & Business Svcs	4,075
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	10,025

Source: Arizona Department of Economic Security

Figures are organized under the North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS).

## 2003 Total All Occupations

Employment	53,720
Hourly Compensation	
Median Wage	\$11.38
Average Wage	\$13.94
Entry Wage	\$ 6.50
Experienced	\$16.66

## 2003 Employment by Occupation - Average Wages

	Employment	Avg. Wages
Office & Administrative Support	8,530	\$11.89
Food Preparation & Serving Related	6,380	\$ 7.63
Sales & Related	5,500	\$12.03
Construction & Extraction	4,520	\$14.72
Education, Training & Library	4,510	\$14.84
Transportation & Material Moving	3,060	\$12.58
Production	3,000	\$13.40
Building & Grounds Cleaning & Maintenance	2,660	\$9.63
Management	2,630	\$28.49
Healthcare Practitioners & Technical	2,370	\$24.47

Source: Prepared by the Ariz. Dept. of Economic Security, Research Administration in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, April, 2004

## 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	Resort Hotel
Humboldt Unified School District	Education
Exsil, Inc., Prescott	Mfg./Recycling
Los Abrigados Resort, Sedona	Resort Hotel
Mingus Union High School District, Cottonwood	School

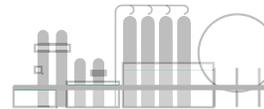
Phelps & Sons Trusses, Cottonwood	Truss Manufacturing
Phoenix Cement Co., Clarkdale	Cement
City of Prescott	Government
Prescott Resort	Lodging
Prescott Unified School District	Education
Price Costco Store, Prescott	Retail
Ruger Investment Castings, Prescott	Steel Foundries
Safeway, Chino Valley	Retail 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
--------------------------------------	----------------

### Trucking Service

Dewitt Bros Trucking, Federal Express, UPS, Yellow Freight

## Air Service

### Major Airports

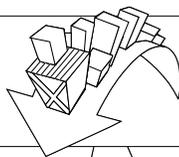
Airport Name: **Bagdad** (no phone)  
 Functional Class: Community Service  
 Elevation: 4,183'  
 Ownership: Public-Yavapai County  
 Use: Public  
 Nav-Aids: None  
 Runway: 05/23 Length: 4,575' Width: 60'  
 Surface: Asphalt

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

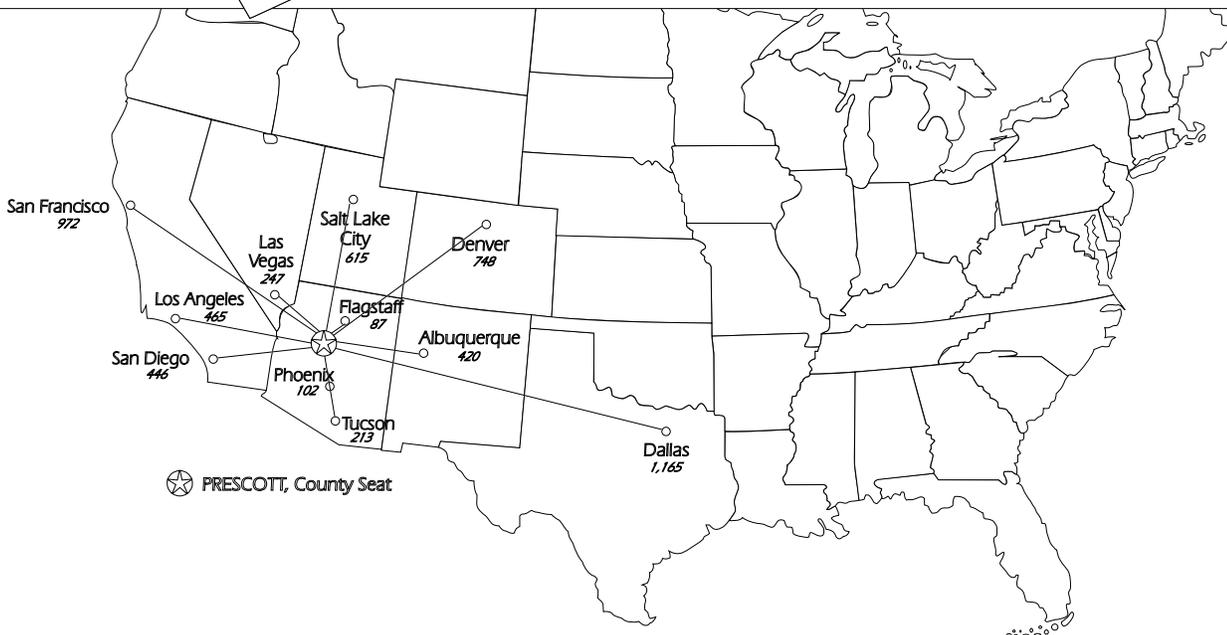
Airport Name: **Prescott-Ernest A. Love Field** (check phone #)  
 Functional Class: Commercial Service  
 Elevation: 5,042'  
 Ownership: Public-City of Prescott  
 Use: Public/Commercial/Military  
 Nav-Aids: ILS/VOR  
 Runway: 03/21 Length: 7,616' Width: 150'  
 Surface: Asphalt  
 Runway: 11/29 Length: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

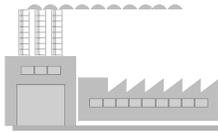
Airport Name: **Sedona** (928) 282-4487  
 Functional Class: Commercial Service  
 Elevation: 4,827'  
 Ownership: Public-Yavapai County  
 Use: Public/Commercial/Military  
 Nav-Aids: NDB  
 Runway: 03/21 Length: 5,131' Width: 75'  
 Surface: Asphalt

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

*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

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

### 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*

### 2003 Property Tax

Community	School District	City/Fire	Countywide	Total
Bagdad	7.88	0.00	4.46	12.34
Camp Verde	4.93*	0.00 <sup>1</sup>	4.46	11.54
Chino Valley	4.99	0.00 <sup>2</sup>	4.46	11.29
Clarkdale	3.84*	1.14	4.46	9.44
Cottonwood	3.39*	0.00	4.46	7.85
Jerome	3.86	1.25	4.46	9.57
Mayer	4.24	3.00	4.46	11.70
Prescott	3.93	0.65	4.46	9.04
Prescott Valley	5.30	0.00	4.46	9.76
Sedona	3.37*	0.00 <sup>3</sup>	4.46	7.83

<sup>1</sup>) Camp Verde F.D. pays a rate of 2.15. <sup>2</sup>) Chino Valley F.D. pays a rate of 1.84.

<sup>3</sup>) Sedona F.D. pays a rate of 1.7600.

\* School district participates in Valley Academy of Career & Technology Education (VACTE)

*Source: Arizona Tax Research Foundation, 2002 (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, Chino Valley and Prescott 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. Prescott Valley has a sales tax rate of 2.33. Jerome and Sedona have a sales tax rate of 3 percent. Camp Verde has a 4 percent hotel/motel tax; Chino Valley, Clarkdale and Cottonwood have a 2 percent hotel/motel tax; Prescott Valley has a 2.33 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 37 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**

3001 N. Main Street, Suite 2A (928) 772-8857  
Prescott Valley, AZ 86314 FAX: (928) 772-4267  
www.pvchamber.org Email: info@pvchamber.org

### **Prescott Valley Economic Development Foundation**

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

---

County profiles are produced by the



ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE  
*Our Job is JOBS!*

### **Janet Napolitano**

*Governor of Arizona*

### **Gilbert Jimenez, Director**

*Arizona Department of Commerce*

*Reproduction of this publication for commercial use is prohibited by A.R.S. 39-121. Permission to reprint may be granted upon written request to the Arizona Department of Commerce.*

