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Carbon County Profile



Carbon County is located near the middle of the state and is reached by highway 6 or 91. Price is the largest city and county seat.

POPULATION

	2008 Population	Housing Units
Price	7,864	3,368
Carbon County	19,436	9,120
State of Utah	2,645,463	943,804

Source: Decision Data Resources

CARBON COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

	2000 Census	% Change	2008 Estimate	% Change	2013 Forecast	
Population	20,422	-4.8%	19,436	-2.9%	18,870	
Households	7,413	4.6%	7,751	2.4%	7,940	
Age	2000 Census	%	2008 Estimate	%	2013 Forecast	%
0 to 4	1,479	7.2%	1,564	8.1%	1,633	8.7%
5 to 14	3,226	15.8%	2,742	14.1%	2,724	14.4%
15 to 19	2,128	10.4%	1,581	8.1%	1,259	6.7%
20 to 24	1,545	7.6%	1,658	8.5%	1,459	7.7%
25 to 34	2,131	10.4%	2,243	11.5%	2,753	14.6%
35 to 44	2,862	14.0%	1,876	9.7%	1,648	8.7%
45 to 54	2,731	13.4%	2,859	14.7%	2,174	11.5%
55 to 64	1,614	7.9%	2,282	11.7%	2,537	13.4%
65 to 74	1,350	6.6%	1,308	6.7%	1,482	7.9%
75 to 84	1,005	4.9%	899	4.6%	830	4.4%
85+	351	1.7%	425	2.2%	373	2.0%
Median Age	33.6		34.6		33.2	
Ethnicity	2000 Census	%	2008 Estimate	%	2013 Forecast	%
Caucasian	18,601	91.1%	17,758	91.4%	17,283	91.6%
African American	56	0.3%	53	0.3%	52	0.3%
American Indian or Alaskan Native	216	1.1%	189	1.0%	174	0.9%
Asian or Pacific Islander	80	0.4%	85	0.4%	86	0.5%
Other Races	971	4.8%	889	4.6%	868	4.6%
Two or More Races	498	2.4%	462	2.4%	407	2.2%
Hispanic Population	2000 Census	%	2008 Estimate	%	2013 Forecast	%
Hispanic	2,097	10.3%	2,092	10.8%	2,094	11.1%
Household Income	2000 Census	%	2008 Estimate	%	2013 Forecast	%
\$0 - \$14,999	1,534	20.7%	1,247	16.1%	1,147	14.4%
\$15,000 - \$24,999	1,164	15.7%	1,041	13.4%	907	11.4%
\$25,000 - \$34,999	1,076	14.5%	960	12.4%	897	11.3%
\$35,000 - \$49,999	1,249	16.8%	1,285	16.6%	1,254	15.8%
\$50,000 - \$74,999	1,325	17.9%	1,352	17.4%	1,471	18.5%
\$75,000 - \$99,999	706	9.5%	939	12.1%	957	12.1%
\$100,000 - \$149,999	298	4.0%	747	9.6%	1,004	12.6%
\$150,000 +	61	0.8%	180	2.3%	303	3.8%
Average Household Income	\$41,528		\$50,258		\$56,053	

Source: Decision Data Resources

MAJOR RECENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Sorenson Communications, a manufacturer of medical devices for the hearing impaired, announced plans to open a new facility with the capacity to employ over 150 Carbon County residents. The expansion will operate out of the recently vacated Utah Department of Wildlife Resources building.¹
- The Bureau of Land Management announced the approved exploratory drilling program searching for natural gas will not significantly affect the natural and cultural resources of the West Tavaputs Plateau and Nine Mile Canyon. The drilling program proposes 22 vertical wells on public land with gas lines being routed to avoid structures, rock art or other cultural artifacts.²

EDUCATION HIGHLIGHTS

- The College of Eastern Utah is a two-year junior college. It offers more than 400 courses in 60 different areas of study. CEU has a total enrollment of 1,799 students. The school also offers great transfer programs to four-year colleges and universities.
- The Utah College of Applied Technology's Southeast Campus (SEATC), located in Price, offers certifications in a number of programs. The SEATC has a total enrollment of 2,620 students.

MAJOR EMPLOYERS

Company Name	Number of Employees
Carbon County School District	500 to 999
Canyon Fuels Company	250 to 499
Castleview Hospital	250 to 499
College of Eastern Utah	250 to 499
Wal-Mart	250 to 499
Andalex Resources, Inc.	100 to 249
Joy Technologies, Inc.	100 to 249
Pacificorp	100 to 249
Price City	100 to 249
Savage Industries	100 to 249
SOS Staffing Services	100 to 249
State of Utah	100 to 249
West Ridge Resources, Inc.	100 to 249

Source: Utah Department of Workforce Services

¹ Source: The Sun Advocate

² Source: Salt Lake Tribune

CARBON COUNTY NON-AGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT

Carbon County has an unemployment rate of 4.0% as of November 2008.

Industry	2007	2006	% Change	Numeric Change
Mining	823	939	-12.4%	-116
Construction	324	650	-50.2%	-326
Manufacturing	370	378	-2.1%	-8
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	2,371	2,307	2.8%	64
Information	110	127	-13.4%	-17
Financial Activities	285	261	9.2%	24
Professional & Business Services	560	653	-14.2%	-93
Education, Health & Social Services	1,098	1,063	3.3%	35
Leisure & Hospitality	793	828	-4.2%	-35
Other Services	365	397	-8.1%	-32
Government	2,182	2,176	0.3%	6
Totals	9,281	9,779	-5.1%	-498

Source: Utah Department of Workforce Services, December 2006 to December 2007 data

TAXATION

Total Property Tax Rate – Price*	0.011189
Carbon County	0.002552
Carbon County School District	0.005633
Price	0.002085
Carbon Water Conservancy District	0.000114
Price River Water Improvement District	0.000805
Total Property Tax Rate	0.011189
State & Local Sales & Use Tax	5.95% - 6.35%
State Corporate Franchise Tax	5.00%

*Primary residential property taxed at 55% of assessed value, commercial property taxed at 100% of assessed value.

Source: Utah State Tax Commission

CLIMATE – PRICE

Average Annual Precipitation	9.3 inches
Elevation	5,891 feet
Average July High Temperature	90 degrees
Average January Low Temperature	9 degrees

Source: Carbon County

RECREATION

Sightseeing History	Nine Mile Canyon has a high concentration of rock art from ancient Native Americans.
Museums	The College of Eastern Utah Dinosaur Museum and the Cleveland-Lloyd Dinosaur Quarry have displays of skeletons and other information about the dinosaurs.
Sightseeing Nature	The San Rafael Swell offers beautiful terrain in element-sculpted sandstone. Skyline drive in the La Sal-Manti National Forest also offers great vistas of canyons, basins and forests.
Water Recreation	Three state parks offer boating, swimming, and other water activities: Scofield State Park, Huntington State Park, and Millsite State Park.
Camping	The Wasatch Plateau has many sites available for overnight camping.

Source: Carbon County

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