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Kane County Profile



Kane County is located on the south central border of the state of Utah. Kanab, the county seat and largest city, can be reached via Highway 89.

POPULATION

	2008 Population	Housing Units
Kanab City	4,517	2,049
Kane County	6,681	4,940
State of Utah	2,645,463	943,804

Source: Decision Data Resource

KANE COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

	2000 Census	% Change	2008 Estimate	% Change	2013 Forecast	
Population	6,046	10.5%	6,681	5.6%	7,057	
Households	2,237	31.2%	2,935	14.6%	3,363	
Age	2000 Census	%	2008 Estimate	%	2013 Forecast	%
0 to 4	399	6.6%	505	7.6%	562	8.0%
5 to 14	1,026	17.0%	883	13.2%	969	13.7%
15 to 19	511	8.4%	490	7.3%	450	6.4%
20 to 24	252	4.2%	521	7.8%	502	7.1%
25 to 34	542	9.0%	783	11.7%	995	14.1%
35 to 44	739	12.2%	632	9.5%	630	8.9%
45 to 54	894	14.8%	840	12.6%	746	10.6%
55 to 64	673	11.1%	855	12.8%	903	12.8%
65 to 74	564	9.3%	609	9.1%	699	9.9%
75 to 84	348	5.8%	408	6.1%	442	6.3%
85+	98	1.6%	154	2.3%	159	2.3%
Median Age	39.2		37.8		35.7	
Ethnicity	2000 Census	%	2008 Estimate	%	2013 Forecast	%
Caucasian	5,804	96.0%	6,425	96.2%	6,795	96.3%
African American	2	0.0%	2	0.0%	2	0.0%
American Indian or Alaskan Native	94	1.6%	95	1.4%	95	1.4%
Asian or Pacific Islander	16	0.3%	19	0.3%	21	0.3%
Some Other Race	45	0.7%	53	0.8%	56	0.8%
Two or More Races	85	1.4%	87	1.3%	88	1.3%
Hispanic Population	2000 Census	%	2008 Estimate	%	2013 Forecast	%
Hispanic	140	2.3%	197	3.0%	221	3.1%
Household Income	2000 Census	%	2008 Estimate	%	2013 Forecast	%
\$0 - \$14,999	325	14.5%	320	10.9%	322	9.6%
\$15,000 - \$24,999	422	18.9%	374	12.7%	348	10.3%
\$25,000 - \$34,999	394	17.6%	511	17.4%	492	14.6%
\$35,000 - \$49,999	484	21.6%	539	18.4%	633	18.8%
\$50,000 - \$74,999	404	18.1%	616	21.0%	752	22.4%
\$75,000 - \$99,999	135	6.0%	327	11.1%	408	12.1%
\$100,000 - \$149,999	56	2.5%	186	6.3%	304	9.0%
\$150,000 +	17	0.8%	62	2.1%	104	3.1%
Average Household Income	\$40,668		\$49,121		\$54,956	

Source: Decision Data Resource

MAJOR RECENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Kanab is working to revitalize its long-term strategic plan to add more value to the town’s existing resources. The state Legislature, Kanab, Kane County and Dixie State College are the primary fund contributors. Funds are currently being spent to develop a business plan and architectural renderings for a multi-use building for seminars, conferences and retreats. The project leaders are now looking to purchase land and build the center.¹
- The Kane County School District agreed to construct a 9,000-square-foot multiuse technical training facility close to the Kanab High School. This building will be leased to the Southwest Applied Technology College to provide technical training to high school and adult students.²
- A preliminary study shows an estimated 600,000 visitors to the Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument spend more than \$88 million in Kane and Garfield counties. This popular destination has become Utah’s 10th most visited attraction.³

MAJOR EMPLOYERS

Company Name	Number of Employees
Aramark / Lake Powell Resorts	250 to 499
Best Friends Animal Sanctuary	250 to 499
Federal Government	100 to 249
Kane County Hospital	100 to 249
Kane County School District	100 to 249
Stampin’ Up	100 to 249
Honey IGA Supercenter	100 to 249
Kane County	50 to 99
State of Utah	50 to 99
Thunderbird Restaurant & Motel	50 to 99

Source: Utah Department of Workforce Services

¹ Source: Deseret News

² Source: Sun News

³ Source: Salt Lake Tribune

KANE COUNTY NON-AGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT

Kane County has an unemployment rate of 4.5% as of November 2008.

Industry	2008	2007	% Change	Numeric Change
Mining	2	4	-50.0%	-2
Construction	205	247	-17.0%	-42
Manufacturing	118	184	-35.9%	-66
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	468	485	-3.5%	-17
Information	16	26	-38.5%	-10
Financial Activities	143	140	2.1%	3
Professional & Business Services	54	53	1.9%	1
Education, Health & Social Services	117	115	1.7%	2
Leisure & Hospitality	1,168	1,115	4.8%	53
Other Services	491	446	10.1%	45
Government	755	784	-3.7%	-29
Totals	3,537	3,599	-1.7%	-62

Source: Utah Department of Workforce Services, June 2007 to June 2008 data

TAXATION

Total Property Tax Rate – Kanab*	0.008236
Kane County	0.003169
Kane County School District	0.003567
Kanab City	0.001052
Kane County Water Conservancy District	0.000448
Total Property Tax Rate	0.008236
County Sales Tax	6.95% - 7.95%
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 – LAKE POWELL

Average Annual Precipitation	13.27 inches
Elevation	4,973 feet
Average July High Temperature	91 degrees
Average January Low Temperature	18 degrees

Source: Kane County

RECREATION

Hiking/Scenery	Kane County contains and borders many parks filled with beautiful scenic vistas. Among these are Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument, Bryce Canyon, Zion Canyon, Grand Canyon, Kodachrome and Pink Coral Sand Dune Parks.
Museums	Terry's Camera Trading Co., Kanab Heritage House, the Maynard Dixon Summer Home and The Old Rock Church give interesting views of the last century of history in Kane County, while the Moqui Cave exhibits ancient history of the area.
Water Recreation	Kane is another county sharing the immensity of Lake Powell and the adjoining Colorado River where almost any water recreation activity can be enjoyed.

Source: Kane County

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EDCUtah specializes in assisting companies considering Utah for a business relocation or expansion. The corporate recruitment team of EDCUtah coordinates all of the information key decision makers and economic development/site consultants need as they evaluate Utah as a site location.

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