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# Sevier County



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# Sevier County Profile



Sevier County is located near the middle of the state and is reached by Interstate 70 and comes very close to the intersection of Interstate 70 and Interstate 15. The largest city and county seat is Richfield.

## POPULATION

	2008 Population	Housing Units
Richfield	7,078	2,522
Sevier County	19,879	7,790
State of Utah	2,645,463	943,804

Source: Decision Data Resources

## SEVIER COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

	2000 Census	% Change	2008 Estimate	% Change	2013 Forecast	
<b>Population</b>	18,842	5.5%	19,879	3.1%	20,498	
<b>Households</b>	6,081	11.3%	6,767	6.1%	7,179	
<b>Age</b>	<b>2000 Census</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>2008 Estimate</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>2013 Forecast</b>	<b>%</b>
0 to 4	1,667	8.8%	1,712	8.6%	1,833	8.9%
5 to 14	3,468	18.4%	3,216	16.2%	3,235	15.8%
15 to 19	2,029	10.8%	1,679	8.5%	1,581	7.7%
20 to 24	1,231	6.5%	1,622	8.2%	1,635	8.0%
25 to 34	1,873	9.9%	2,816	14.2%	3,098	15.1%
35 to 44	2,435	12.9%	1,960	9.9%	2,170	10.6%
45 to 54	2,102	11.2%	2,356	11.9%	2,120	10.3%
55 to 64	1,611	8.6%	1,902	9.6%	2,086	10.2%
65 to 74	1,262	6.7%	1,361	6.8%	1,472	7.2%
75 to 84	876	4.6%	876	4.4%	919	4.5%
85+	288	1.5%	375	1.9%	347	1.7%
Median Age	30.3		30.5		31.2	
<b>Ethnicity</b>	<b>2000 Census</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>2008 Estimate</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>2013 Forecast</b>	<b>%</b>
Caucasian	18,014	95.6%	19,039	95.8%	19,657	95.9%
African American	51	0.3%	53	0.3%	53	0.3%
American Indian or Native American	376	2.0%	366	1.8%	356	1.7%
Asian or Pacific Islander	66	0.4%	79	0.4%	88	0.4%
Some Other Race	149	0.8%	154	0.8%	178	0.9%
Two or More Races	186	1.0%	188	1.0%	166	0.8%
<b>Hispanic Population</b>	<b>2000 Census</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>2008 Estimate</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>2013 Forecast</b>	<b>%</b>
Hispanic	481	2.6%	650	3.3%	762	3.7%
<b>Household Income</b>	<b>2000 Census</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>2008 Estimate</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>2013 Forecast</b>	<b>%</b>
\$0 - \$14,999	980	16.1%	814	12.0%	772	10.8%
\$15,000 - \$24,999	902	14.8%	818	12.1%	739	10.3%
\$25,000 - \$34,999	1,059	17.4%	925	13.7%	831	11.6%
\$35,000 - \$49,999	1,296	21.3%	1,334	19.7%	1,345	18.7%
\$50,000 - \$74,999	1,116	18.4%	1,501	22.2%	1,703	23.7%
\$75,000 - \$99,999	490	8.1%	698	10.3%	817	11.4%
\$100,000 - \$149,999	146	2.4%	480	7.1%	721	10.0%
\$150,000 +	92	1.5%	197	2.9%	251	3.5%
Average Household Income	\$43,119		\$52,294		\$58,466	

Source: Decision Data Resources

## MAJOR RECENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Fed Ex opened a transportation and service center in the Salina Industrial Park. The center will employ between two and five people and generates a capital investment of roughly \$750,000.<sup>1</sup>
- A project to build a 43-mile rail line from Salina to a point south of Levan where the rail line can connect with the east-west Union Pacific line is being considered. Preliminary studies are being conducted with the hope to start construction in late 2008 or early 2009. A push for rail extension has come about due to company complaints about the cost of transporting goods via trucks and trailers.<sup>2</sup>

## EDUCATION HIGHLIGHTS<sup>3</sup>

- The Sevier Valley Center on the campus of Snow College in Richfield has been dedicated. The center was completed in the fall at a cost of about \$21 million, and includes a 5,000-seat arena, a 1,000-seat theater, 10 classrooms and several student laboratories.

## MAJOR EMPLOYERS<sup>4</sup>

Company Name	Number of Employees
Sevier County School District	500 to 999
Barney Trucking	250 to 499
Canyon Fuels Company	250 to 499
Wal-Mart	250 to 499
Federal Government	100 to 249
Moroni Feed	100 to 249
Richfield City	100 to 249
Robinson Transport	100 to 249
Sevier Valley Hospital	100 to 249
Snow College South	100 to 249
Sorenson's Ranch School	100 to 249
State of Utah	100 to 249
US Gypsum Company	100 to 249

Source: Utah Department of Workforce Services

<sup>1</sup> Source: EDCUtah

<sup>2</sup> Source: Sanpete Messenger

<sup>3</sup> Source: Utah State Office of Education

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## SEVIER COUNTY NON-AGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT

Sevier County has an unemployment rate of 4.2% as of November 2008.

Industry	2008	2007	% Change	Numeric Change
Mining	550	512	7.4%	38
Construction	430	387	11.1%	43
Manufacturing	435	514	-15.6%	-80
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	2,640	2,538	4.0%	102
Information	80	83	-3.6%	-3
Financial Activities	205	206	-0.5%	-1
Professional & Business Services	464	387	19.9%	77
Education, Health & Social Services	749	754	-0.7%	-5
Leisure & Hospitality	988	921	7.3%	67
Other Services	155	173	-10.4%	-18
Government	1,660	1,680	-1.2%	-20
<b>Totals</b>	<b>8,355</b>	<b>8,155</b>	<b>2.5%</b>	<b>200</b>

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

## TAXATION

<b>Property Tax – Richfield City*</b>	<b>0.011172</b>
Sevier County	0.003088
Sevier County School District	0.006210
Richfield City	0.001874
<b>Total Property Tax Rate</b>	<b>0.011172</b>
<b>Property Tax – Salina*</b>	<b>0.011258</b>
Sevier County	0.003088
Sevier County School District	0.006210
Salina	0.001960
<b>Total Property Tax Rate</b>	<b>0.011258</b>
<b>County Sales Tax</b>	<b>5.95% - 6.35%</b>
<b>State Corporate Franchise Tax</b>	<b>5.00%</b>

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

Source: Utah State Tax Commission

## CLIMATE – RICHFIELD

<b>Average Annual Precipitation</b>	8.51 inches
<b>Elevation</b>	5,308 feet
<b>Average July High Temperature</b>	89 degrees
<b>Average January Low Temperature</b>	16 degrees

Source: Sevier County

## RECREATION

Golf	Cove View Golf Course near Richfield offers nine holes of golf that is soon to be expanded to eighteen.
ATV's	The Piute Trail is home to the annual Rocky Mountain ATV Jamboree.
State Park	Freemont Indian State Park offers a museum introducing the Freemont Indians and trails that display the Freemont Indian's rock art.
Fish Lake	Fish Lake offers great fishing for Mackinaw trout as well as hiking, biking, and horseback riding in the surrounding area.

Source: Sevier County

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