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Weber County Profile



Weber County, located along the northern edge of the Wasatch Mountains, is situated near major transportation arteries I-80 and I-15, Salt Lake City International Airport and available land. Ogden City, the largest city in Weber County and the county seat, is 35 miles north of Salt Lake City.

POPULATION

	2008 Population	Housing Units
Ogden City	78,673	32,320
Weber County	218,644	82,876
State of Utah	2,645,463	943,804

Source: Decision Data Resources

WEBER COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

	2000 Census	% Change	2008 Estimate	% Change	2013 Forecast	
Population	196,533	11.3%	218,644	6.0%	231,828	
Households	65,698	13.4%	74,496	7.0%	79,696	
Age	2000 Census	%	2008 Estimate	%	2013 Forecast	%
0 to 4	17,705	9.0%	20,241	9.3%	21,593	9.3%
5 to 14	32,740	16.7%	35,447	16.2%	38,725	16.7%
15 to 19	17,671	9.0%	16,009	7.3%	16,623	7.2%
20 to 24	17,559	8.9%	16,645	7.6%	15,905	6.9%
25 to 34	27,331	13.9%	34,272	15.7%	34,494	14.9%
35 to 44	27,595	14.0%	27,368	12.5%	30,061	13.0%
45 to 54	22,115	11.3%	26,166	12.0%	26,176	11.3%
55 to 64	13,537	6.9%	19,773	9.0%	22,798	9.8%
65 to 74	10,520	5.4%	11,652	5.3%	14,479	6.2%
75 to 84	7,531	3.8%	7,430	3.4%	7,783	3.4%
85+	2,229	1.1%	3,646	1.7%	3,201	1.4%
Median Age	29.2		30.8		31.8	
Ethnicity	2000 Census	%	2008 Estimate	%	2013 Forecast	%
Caucasian	172,339	87.7%	202,437	92.6%	218,682	94.3%
African American	2,748	1.4%	2,640	1.2%	2,561	1.1%
American Indian or Alaskan Native	1,510	0.8%	880	0.4%	615	0.3%
Asian or Pacific Islander	2,827	1.4%	3,498	1.6%	3,854	1.7%
Some Other Race	12,943	6.6%	6,873	3.1%	4,748	2.1%
Two or More Races	4,166	2.1%	2,316	1.1%	1,368	0.6%
Hispanic Population	2000 Census	%	2008 Estimate	%	2013 Forecast	%
Hispanic Ethnicity	24,858	12.7%	35,350	16.2%	41,881	18.1%
Household Income	2000 Census	%	2008 Estimate	%	2013 Forecast	%
\$0 - \$14,999	7,715	11.7%	6,122	8.2%	5,697	7.1%
\$15,000 - \$24,999	7,897	12.0%	6,505	8.7%	5,530	6.9%
\$25,000 - \$34,999	8,855	13.5%	7,635	10.2%	7,104	8.9%
\$35,000 - \$49,999	13,291	20.2%	12,586	16.9%	11,714	14.7%
\$50,000 - \$74,999	14,683	22.3%	17,049	22.9%	18,506	23.2%
\$75,000 - \$99,999	7,186	10.9%	10,829	14.5%	12,049	15.1%
\$100,000 - \$149,999	4,332	6.6%	9,419	12.6%	12,463	15.6%
\$150,000 +	1,739	2.6%	4,351	5.8%	6,633	8.3%
Average Household Income	\$53,994		\$61,925		\$66,510	

Source: Decision Data Resources

MAJOR RECENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

- The Federal Aviation Administration has awarded \$2.5 million in grant money to the Ogden-Hinckley Airport to construct an 8,000-foot-long taxiway. The new taxiway will help with safety issues and attract additional commercial jet service.¹
- Barnes Aerospace, headquartered in Connecticut, has expanded into Ogden, opening a 50,000-square-foot aviation manufacturing facility. The expansion, at full capacity, created 474 new, full-time jobs and generated \$2.5 million in capital investment.²
- The Heritage Bag Company opened a new 112,000-square-foot manufacturing plant in Ogden that will employ roughly 50 new people. Cray Quinn, Vice President of manufacturing, commented, “This is a great logistical move for us . . . This facility will allow us to expand in the Intermountain West and Pacific Northwest area.”³
- The Hershey Company opened a new 592,000-square-foot distribution facility in the Business Depot Ogden. The new facility created 123 new, full-time jobs and generated approximately \$38 million in capital investment.⁴
- Jet Aviation, one of the world’s leading business jet aviation service companies, announced its plans to expand into 70,000 square feet of existing space at the Kemp Ogden Airport Gateway Center. The project will employ 900+ people and will generate \$28.9 million in capital investment.⁵
- Southern Classic Food Group, a manufacturer of food condiments, constructed a new 75,000-square-foot manufacturing facility in the Business Depot Ogden. The new facility employees roughly 50 people and serves the adjacent Hershey facility.⁶
- U.S. Foodservice, Inc., the second largest food service distributor in the U.S., officially announced plans to significantly expand its existing Ogden facility in late 2007. The new 265,000-square-foot expansion serves as one of its 70 distribution facilities in the nation. At full capacity, the facility will employ up to 400 individuals.⁷

EDUCATION HIGHLIGHTS⁸

- Weber County is home to Weber State University, a four-year university offering 215 undergraduate degree programs – the largest undergraduate offering in the state. With several key event centers, Weber State University is a major cultural center for the area.
- The Ogden-Weber Applied Technology Center campus offers more than 300 technical skills courses in 51 employment categories and serves over 12,000 students annually.

¹ Source: *Standard Examiner*

² Source: *EDCUtah*

³ Source: *EDCUtah*

⁴ Source: *EDCUtah*

⁵ Source: *EDCUtah*

⁶ Source: *EDCUtah*

⁷ Source: *EDCUtah*

⁸ Source: *Utah State Office of Education*

MAJOR EMPLOYERS

Company Name	Number of Employees
Internal Revenue Service – Department of Treasury	5,000 to 6,999
McKay-Dee Hospital Center	3,000 to 3,999
Weber County School District	3,000 to 3,999
Autoliv	2,000 to 2,999
Weber State University	2,000 to 2,999
Convergys	1,000 to 1,999
Fresenius	1,000 to 1,999
Ogden City School District	1,000 to 1,999
State of Utah	1,000 to 1,999
Wal-Mart	1,000 to 1,999
Weber County	1,000 to 1,999

Source: Utah Department of Workforce Services

WEBER COUNTY NON-AGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT

Weber County has an unemployment rate of 4.4% as of November 2008.

Industry	2008	2007	% Change	Numeric Change
Mining	139	184	-24.5%	-45
Construction	6,335	7,787	-18.6%	-1,452
Manufacturing	12,655	12,518	1.1%	137
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	17,607	17,067	3.2%	540
Information	1,057	1,073	-1.5%	-16
Financial Activities	4,592	4,671	-1.7%	-79
Professional & Business Services	10,821	11,078	-2.3%	-257
Education, Health & Social Services	11,593	11,081	4.6%	512
Leisure & Hospitality	8,332	8,303	0.3%	29
Other Services	2,828	2,911	-2.9%	-83
Government	20,755	20,635	0.6%	120
Totals	96,720	97,310	-0.6%	-590

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

TAXATION

Property Tax – Ogden City*	0.015960
Weber County	0.003447
Ogden City School District	0.007453
Ogden City	0.003109
Weber Basin Water Conservancy District	0.000181
Bona Vista Water Improvement District	0.000280
Central Weber Sewer Improvement District	0.000800
Weber County Mosquito Abatement District	0.000089
Weber Area Dispatch 911 & Emergency Svc District	0.000278
Ogden City-Special Municipal Levy To Purchase Water	0.000323
Total Property Tax Rate	0.015960
State & Local Sales & Use Tax	6.85% - 7.05%
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

Average Annual Rainfall	17.2 inches
Average Annual Snowfall	53.3 inches
Elevation	4,280 feet
Average July High Temperature	90.9 degrees
Average January Low Temperature	16.5 degrees

Source: Weber County

RECREATION

Skiing/Boarding	Weber County is home to three world-class resorts – Snowbasin, Powder Mountain, and Wolf Mountain – with more than 8,700 acres of skiable terrain.
Fishing/Boating	Willard Bay, located on the edge of the Great Salt Lake, offers scenic views, excellent fishing and miles of open water perfect for water skiing.
Museums/Dinosaurs	Ogden City has three natural history museums which house hundreds of life-size dinosaurs as well as other exhibits and prehistoric animals.
Golf	There are currently nine golf courses located in the Ogden area, with over 44,000 yards of course and 135 holes.
Culture	Residents of Weber County enjoy many cultural activities, including the Weber State Symphony Orchestra, the Playhouse Theatre and the Annual Jazz Festival.

Source: Weber County

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EDCUtah is an investor-based organization with more than 230 private sector businesses, organizations, chambers of commerce, municipalities and counties. Through these partnerships, EDCUtah facilitates an ongoing effort to develop and nurture a thriving business climate throughout Utah.

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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