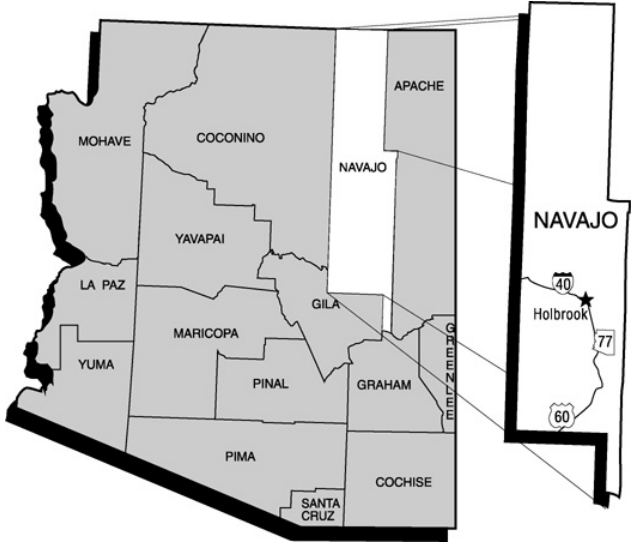


Profile:

Navajo County, Arizona



Navajo County was formed on March 21, 1895, as the final act of the Territorial Assembly before it adjourned at midnight. What is now Navajo County was first included in Yavapai County, but in 1879, the area was added to the newly formed Apache County.

By the time it became Navajo County, the area was developed – the railroad had crossed the county for more than a decade, and North America’s third largest ranch, the Aztec Land and Cattle Company near Holbrook, had been established. Backed by Easterners, Aztec bought 1 million acres of land from the railroad at 50 cents an acre. The company – known as the Hashknife Outfit because of its brand – brought 33,000 longhorn cattle and 2,200 horses into northern Arizona from Texas. Holbrook, the county seat, was founded in 1871.

The county is divided into two distinct parts by the Mogollon Rim. The high country in the northern part of the county is arid and desert-like with empty mesas and smaller plateaus. The southern part is a rugged mountain area, heavily wooded with piñon juniper and ponderosa pine.

In the north is Kayenta, founded in 1909 as a trading post, and now the gateway to the Navajo Tribal Park at Monument Valley and a thriving Navajo community. Farther south is the Hopi Indian Reservation, which is completely surrounded by the Navajo Reservation. The Hopi Pueblo of Oraibi is one of the oldest continuously inhabited settlements in the United States.

Today, Navajo County’s principal industries are tourism, coal mining, manufacturing, timber production and ranching.

Almost 55 percent of Navajo County’s 9,959 square miles is Indian reservation land. Individual and corporate ownership accounts for 30 percent; the U.S. Forest Service and U.S. Bureau of Land Management together control 9 percent; and the state of Arizona owns 6 percent. All of Navajo County is an Enterprise Zone.



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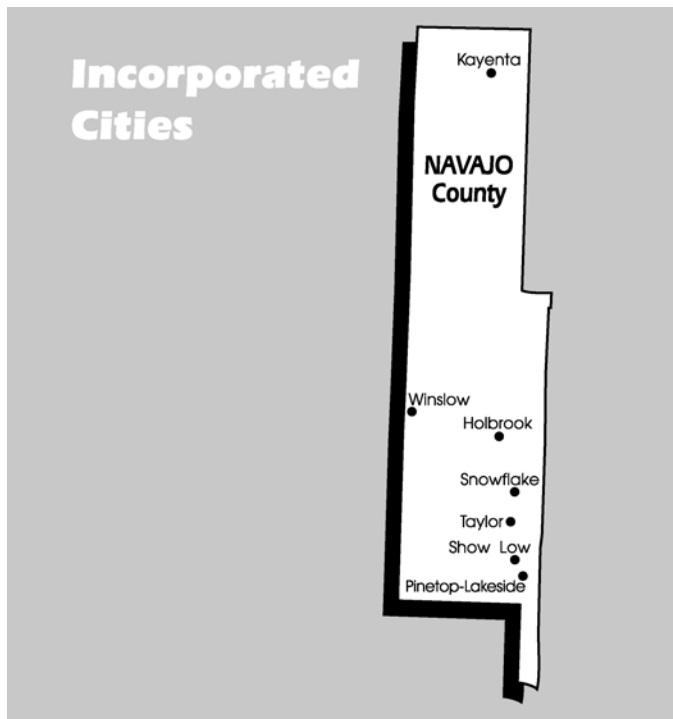
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Navajo County At-A-Glance

| | |
|---------------------------|---|
| County Seat: | Holbrook |
| 2006 Population: | 113,470 |
| 2006 Labor Force: | 37,316 |
| Unemployment Rate: | 7.9% |
| Major Industries: | Mining and Construction, Educational and Health Services, Professional and Business Services |

Sources: Population Estimates July 2006, Population Statistics Unit, Research Administration, Arizona Department of Economic Security; December 2006 Special Unemployment Report, Arizona Department of Economic Security, Research Administration.



Note: The Navajo Nation community of Kayenta is not incorporated.



| | 1990 | 2000 | 2006 |
|---------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Arizona | 3,665,228 | 5,130,632 | 6,305,210 |
| Navajo County | 77,658 | 97,470 | 113,470 |

Major Cities/Communities

| | | | |
|--|--------|--------|--------|
| Fort Apache Indian Reservation (White Mtns.) | 10,394 | 12,429 | N/A |
| Holbrook | 4,686 | 4,917 | 5,455 |
| Hopi Indian Reservation | 7,360 | 6,946 | N/A |
| Kayenta, Navajo Nation | 4,372 | 4,922 | N/A |
| Pinetop-Lakeside | 2,422 | 3,582 | 4,540 |
| Show Low | 5,019 | 7,695 | 10,555 |
| Snowflake | 3,679 | 4,460 | 5,180 |
| Taylor | 2,418 | 3,176 | 4,270 |
| Winslow | 8,190 | 9,520 | 9,945 |

Source: U.S. Census Bureau and Arizona Department of Economic Security, Population Statistics Unit.
N/A - Not available

Age Distribution

| | % of total |
|-------|------------|
| 0-14 | 29.2% |
| 15-24 | 15.0% |
| 25-44 | 25.3% |
| 45-64 | 20.4% |
| 65+ | 10.0% |

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, April 1, 2000 Census

Population Composition*

| Race | % of total |
|---------------------------|------------|
| White | 45.9% |
| Black | 0.9% |
| Native American | 47.7% |
| Asian or Pacific Islander | 0.3% |
| Other | 5.0% |
| Total | 100.0% |
| Hispanic Heritage* | 8.2% |

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, April 1, 2000 Census
Persons of Hispanic heritage may be of any race



Labor Force

2006 Civilian Labor Force

| | Labor Force | Unemployment Rate |
|---------------|-------------|-------------------|
| Arizona | 2,953,249 | 4.2% |
| Navajo County | 37,316 | 7.9% |

Major Cities/Communities

| | | |
|--|-------|-------|
| Fort Apache Indian Reservation (White Mountains) | 3,864 | 14.7% |
| Heber-Overgaard | 1,093 | 1.9% |
| Holbrook | 2,393 | 5.1% |
| Hopi Indian Reservation | 2,436 | 11.7% |
| Kayenta, Navajo Nation | 1,701 | 13.0% |
| Pinetop-Lakeside | 1,896 | 4.2% |
| Show Low | 3,608 | 3.8% |
| Snowflake | 1,997 | 4.3% |
| Taylor | 1,425 | 3.5% |
| Winslow | 3,794 | 3.6% |

Source: Arizona Dept. of Economic Security, 2006 Special Unemployment Report.

2006 Employment by Sector

| | |
|-----------------------------------|--------|
| Mining and Construction | 2,875 |
| Educational & Health Svcs | 3,750 |
| Financial Activities | 575 |
| Government | 10,100 |
| Leisure & Hospitality | 2,975 |
| Manufacturing | 750 |
| Information | 825 |
| Professional & Business Svcs | 1,225 |
| Trade, Transportation & Utilities | 5,450 |

Source: Prepared in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, State of Arizona Economic Security Research Administration. Figures are organized under the North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS).

2006 Total All Occupations

| | |
|---------------------|---------|
| Employment | 28,030 |
| Hourly Compensation | |
| Median Wage | \$12.92 |
| Average Wage | \$15.39 |
| Entry Wage | \$6.75 |
| Experienced | \$26.03 |

2006 Employment by Occupation - Average Wages

| | Employment | Avg. Wages |
|-------------------------------------|------------|------------|
| Office & Administrative Support | | \$13.83 |
| Education, Training & Library | 3,620 | \$15.18 |
| Food Preparation & Serving Related | | \$8.67 |
| Sales & Related | | \$10.65 |
| Transportation & Material Moving | 1,860 | \$12.24 |
| Construction & Extraction | 2,240 | \$15.85 |
| Installation, Maintenance & Repair | 1,320 | \$16.95 |
| Management | 1,420 | \$29.07 |
| Healthcare Practitioner & Technical | | \$34.34 |
| Protective Service | | \$15.09 |
| Building & Maintenance | 1,310 | \$9.84 |
| Personal Care & Service | | \$11.65 |
| Production | 600 | \$17.54 |

Source: Prepared by the Arizona Department of Economic Security, Research Administration in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, May 2007

Major Employers

| Employer | Employment Type |
|---|--|
| Abitibi Consolidated, Inc., Snowflake | Paper Mills |
| APS, Joseph City | Electric Services |
| Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway, Winslow | Line-Haul Railroad Operation |
| Holiday Inn, Kayenta | Hotels and Motels |
| Kayenta Boarding | Administration of Educational Programs |
| B.I.A. School, Kayenta | Educational Programs |
| Keams Canyon Indian Hospital, Keams Canyon | Medical Doctors' Office |
| Navajo Government Executive Branch | Government |
| Navajo Tribal Utility Authority, Keams Canyon | Utilities |
| Navapache Hospital, Show Low | Medical Doctors' Office |
| Northland Pioneer College, Holbrook | Colleges and Universities |
| Peabody Coal Co., Kayenta | Bituminous Coal and Lignite Surface Mining |
| PFFJ, Inc., Snowflake | Pork Production |
| Pinon Unified School District #4 | Education |
| Suntastic Hothouse Inc., Snowflake | Hydroponic Tomato Grower |
| Western Moulding Co. Inc., Snowflake | Millwork |



Utilities

Electric Service

Major Suppliers:

| | |
|--------------------------------------|----------------|
| APS | (800) 253-9405 |
| Navapache Electric Cooperative, Inc. | (800) 543-6324 |

Natural Gas Service

Major Suppliers:

| | |
|---------------------------------|----------------|
| Citizens Utilities Co. | (800) 522-4391 |
| Southwest Gas Corporation | (800) 766-9722 |
| Navajo Tribal Utility Authority | (928) 729-5721 |

Water and Sewer

For information see specific community profile, or contact the local chamber of commerce directly. For information regarding the Navajo Nation, contact the Navajo Tribal Utility Authority.

Telephone

Major Suppliers:

| | |
|---------------------------------|----------------|
| Century Telephone | (505) 782-4412 |
| Citizens Communications | (800) 921-8101 |
| Navajo Communications Co., Inc. | (928) 871-5581 |
| Navajo Tribal Utility Authority | (928) 729-5721 |
| Qwest | (800) 244-1111 |



Medical

Major Hospitals:

| | |
|-----------------------------------|----------------|
| Winslow Memorial Hospital | (520) 289-4691 |
| Navapache Regional Medical Center | (520) 537-4375 |



Education

Northland Pioneer College, Holbrook (928) 524-6111



Transportation

Highways

Interstate 40, U.S. 60, U.S. 160, U.S. 163, state Highway 73, state Highway 77, state Highway 87, state Highway 99, state Highway 260, state Highway 264, state Highway 277, state Highway 377, state Highway 564, Indian Route 6, Indian Route 15

Bus Lines

Greyhound Bus Lines, White Mountain Passenger Lines, Navajo Transit System, Four Season Bus Connection

Rail Service

AMTRAK (800) 872-7245
Apache Railway (928) 536-4696
Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway (800) 289-2673

Trucking Service

Alpine Trucking Inc., Hall J.R. & Sons Trucking Inc., Hurley Trucking Co., Con-Way Western Express

Air Service

Major Airports

- Airport Name:** **Holbrook Municipal** (928) 524-3267
Functional Class: Community Service
Elevation: 5,245'
Ownership: Public
Use: Public
Nav-Aids: None
Runway: 03/21 Length: 6,740' Width: 75'
Surface: Asphalt
Runway: 11/29 Length: 3,200' Width: 120'
Surface: Dirt
- Airport Name:** **Kayenta** (928) 871-6466
Functional Class: Basic Service
Elevation: 5,710'
Ownership: Native American
Use: Public
Nav-Aids: None
Runway: 05/23 Length: 7,000' Width: 75'
Surface: Asphalt
- Airport Name:** **Polacca** No telephone checking
Location: Hopi Reservation
Functional Class: Community Service
Elevation: 5,573'
Ownership: Public
Use: Public
Nav-Aids: None
Runway: 4PH Length: 4,200' Width: 50'
Surface: Asphalt
- Airport Name:** **Show Low Municipal** (928) 537-5629
Functional Class: Commercial Service
Elevation: 6,411'
Ownership: Public
Use: Public/Commercial/Military
Nav-Aids: NDB
Runway: 03/21 Length: 3,928' Width: 60'
Surface: Asphalt
Runway: 06/24 Length: 6,400' Width: 75'
Surface: Asphalt



Distance to Major Cities



Airport Name: **Taylor Municipal** (928) 536-4811
Functional Class: Basic Service
Elevation: 5,600'
Ownership: Public
Use: Public/Commercial
Nav-Aids: AWROS 11907, PAPI, RAL
Runway: 03/21 Length: 7,200' Width: 75'
Surface: Asphalt

Airport Name: **Whiteriver** (928) 338-5321
Functional Class: Community Service
Elevation: 5,152'
Ownership: Native American
Use: Public
Nav-Aids: None
Runway: 01/19 Length: 6,288' Width: 75'
Surface: Asphalt

Airport Name: **Winslow-Lindberg Regional** (928) 289-2429
Functional Class: Business Service
Elevation: 4,938'
Ownership: Public
Use: Commercial/Public/Military
Nav-Aids: DF
Runway: 04/22 Length: 7,498' Width: 150'
Surface: Asphalt
Runway: 11/29 Length: 7,102' Width: 150'
Surface: Asphalt

Source: Arizona Department of Transportation, Arizona Airports Land Use Compatibility Study

Fort Apache Indian Reservation

Fort Apache has two parks (1,600 acres), with utilities available. For further information, contact the EDA planning office, White Mountain Apache Tribe, (928) 338-4346, ext. 222.

Holbrook

The City of Holbrook has a well-equipped 100-acre business park, with access to air service and Interstate 40. For more information, contact the City of Holbrook - Department of Economic Development at (928) 524-6225.

Hopi Indian Reservation

There is one 150-acre industrial park in Winslow with full utilities, rail, freight and air access. Contact the Hopi Tribe, Office of Research & Planning at (928) 734-2441, ext. 242.

Pinetop-Lakeside

The Town of Pinetop-Lakeside operates a new Commerce Park on Porter Mountain Road, one mile off State Highway 260. This facility offers 35+ acres of available light commercial sites with underground utilities and paved streets. Contact the Pinetop-Lakeside Chamber of Commerce at (928) 367-4290 for more information.

Show Low

There are currently three industrial park locations providing utilities, road and airport services. For more information, contact the Show Low Regional Chamber of Commerce at (928) 537-2326.

Snowflake

The Snowflake Industrial Park is located on Highway 277 and contains approximately 400+ acres. For information, contact the Town of Snowflake at (928) 536-7103.

Taylor

The Taylor Airpark contains 17-acres adjacent to the airport. For information, contact the Town of Taylor, (928) 536-7366.

Winslow

Sites of various sizes for light or heavy industry are available for lease or purchase. For additional information, contact the City of Winslow at (928) 289-2422.



Industrial Development Authorities

Industrial Development Authority of Navajo County

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Industrial Development Authority of the City of Winslow

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Bank of America
Chase
Community First National Bank
Frontier State Bank
Wells Fargo 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

2006 Property Tax

| Community | School District | City/Fire | Countywide | Total |
|--------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|------------|-------|
| Heber/Overgaard | 4.27* | 1.83 | 2.75 | 8.85 |
| Holbrook | 6.13 | 0.52 | 2.75 | 9.40 |
| Joseph City ¹ | 3.80 | 1.74 | 2.75 | 8.29 |
| Pinetop-Lakeside | 4.97* | 0.00 ² | 2.75 | 7.72 |
| Show Low | 4.85* | 0.00 ³ | 2.75 | 7.60 |
| Snowflake | 4.21* | 0.00 | 2.75 | 6.96 |
| Taylor | 4.21* | 0.00 | 2.75 | 6.96 |
| Winslow | 7.98 | 0.91 | 2.75 | 11.64 |

* School district participates in the Northern Arizona Vocational Institute of Technology (NAVIT).

1) Rate includes an additional school primary rate of \$0.5979 in tax year 2004 per ARS 15-992.

2) Residents pay either the Pinetop or Lakeside Fire District rate.

3) Show Low residents also pay Show Low Fire District rate.

Source: Arizona Tax Research Foundation, 2006 (Rate is per \$100 of assessed value)

Sales Tax

The state imposes a 5.6 percent transaction privilege (sales) tax on most business activities. Navajo County has a 0.5 percent general sales tax. The communities of Show Low, Snowflake and Taylor have a 2 percent city sales tax. Pinetop-Lakeside has a 2.5 percent sales tax. The cities of Holbrook and Winslow have a city sales tax of 3 percent. Holbrook, Taylor and Winslow have an additional 2 percent hotel/motel tax. Pinetop-Lakeside has an additional 3 percent bed tax and an additional 2 % Restaurant/Bar tax. Snowflake has an additional 4 percent hotel/motel tax.

Sources: AZ Department of Revenue (April 1, 2007)

Payroll Tax

Payroll taxes in Arizona are computed based on federal filing by employers and employees. Generally, withholding for state payroll taxes is between 10 and 32 percent of federal withholding based on employees' income.

Source: Arizona Department of Revenue



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