

Camp Verde

Community Profile

Prepared by the ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Camp Verde is in the Verde River Valley of central Arizona. The community, oldest in the Verde Valley, was established in 1865 to protect settlers from Indian raids. Camp Verde, on the banks of the Verde River, is near the geographic center of the state of Arizona. The Fort Verde Historic State Park in Camp Verde contains military artifacts, Indian relics and articles used by the settlers and Indians. Four of the original adobe fort buildings still stand and are open to the public. The General Crook Trail, beginning at the Park and winding through the Mogollon Rim to Fort Apache, is a scenic drive of unsurpassed beauty along which can be seen the old mile markers on rocks and trees.

Basic Information

Founded: 1865
 Incorporated: 1986
 Elevation: 3,160
 Located in Yavapai County
 Nearby Highways: HWYS I-17; SR 260; SR 169; SR 179
 Enterprise Zone available

Distance to Major Cities:
 Phoenix: 92 miles
 Tucson: 205 miles

Population

	1990	2000	2006
Camp Verde	6,243	9,451	11,230
Yavapai County	107,714	167,517	213,285
Arizona	3,665,228	5,130,632	6,305,210

Sources: Arizona Department of Economic Security and US Census Bureau

Principal Economic Activities

The major employment in the Camp Verde area is provided by construction, ranching, light-industry, trade and service, a casino, and the government. Attractions such as the Fort Verde Historic State Park, Montezuma Castle National Monument and Montezuma Well, as well as excellent hunting, fishing and recreational opportunities generate retail and service trade in the community. Camp Verde is also attracting increasing numbers of retirees who enjoy its mild, dry, four-season climate.

County Employment

	2006
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	12,300
Government	11,500
Mining and Construction	9,200
Educational and Health Services	8,900
Leisure and Hospitality	7,900
Professional and Business Services	5,200
Manufacturing	3,800
Financial Activities	2,400
Other Services	2,200
Information	600

Source: Arizona Department of Economic Security

Figures are organized under the North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS).

Major Private Employers

Alco
 Bank One
 Bashas'
 Cliff Castle Casino
 McDonald's

Major Public Employers

Camp Verde Unified School District
 Town of Camp Verde
 US Postal Service
 Yavapai County Justice Facility



Labor Force Data

	1990	2000	2006
Civilian Labor Force	2,259	4,215	5,292
Unemployed	94	225	263
Unemployment Rate	4.2%	5.3%	5.0%

Source: Arizona Department of Economic Security

Growth Indicators

	1990	2000	2006
New Bldg. Permits	144	252	296
Taxable Sales (\$)	20.6 million	79.9 million	143.1 million
Net Assessed Value (\$)	22.1 million	40.3 million	68.6 million

Sources: Arizona State Univ., AZ Dept. of Revenue, AZ Tax Research Foundation
 1990, 2000 and 2006 New building permit data incomplete: One or more months not available

Scenic Attractions

Montezuma Castle Natl Monument contains some of the nation's best preserved cliff dwellings. Montezuma Well features a large natural limestone sink, whose waters were used for a network of prehistoric irrigation canals. The Castle is also headquarters for nearby Tuzigoot Natl Monument. Verde Valley is a fishing & hunting sport paradise. Beasley Flats, operated by the US Forest Serv, is a major starting point for Verde River trips. Local events include Ft Verde Days (Oct), Pioneer Days Gen Crook's Birthday (Sept), Cornfest (July), Pecan Wine /Antique Festival (Feb), Gun/Knife Shows (spring/fall) & the cultural Verde Valley Fair (May). Cliff Castle Casino, operated by the Yavapai-Apache Nation, attracts numerous visitors. Historic Ft Verde creates a living monument to Arizona pioneer days.

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Community Facilities

Camp Verde offers a broad range of community facilities, including a library, a museum, recreation center, a tennis court, several softball and football fields, skateboard park, a horse arena, a new community swimming pool and 18 acres of park land and picnic areas along the Verde River. In addition, the Verde Valley Sanctuary has an outreach program in Camp Verde that offers a variety of community services.

Educational Institutions

	Public	Private
Elementary	Y	Y
Middle School	Y	Y
High School	Y	Y

Financial

Number of banks: 3

Government

Fire Department: Local Fire Department
Law Enforcement: Town Marshal

Airports

Rimrock, privately-owned, unpaved 2,500-ft. runway, no fuel
Montezuma Heights Air Park, private/paved strip, call ahead for lights

Medical

One health care facility.

Hotel & Lodging

Number of Rooms: 345
Meeting Rooms: 10
Capacity of Largest Facility: 525

Industrial Properties:

There are several sites available in the Camp Verde area. Some have utilities available with nearby freeway access. For additional information contact the Camp Verde Chamber of Commerce, or the Town of Camp Verde.

Utilities

Electricity	APS (Statewide)	800.428.7324
Natural Gas	All Star Propane	928.567.6615
Natural Gas	Citizens Utilities - Gas Division	928.753.5591
Natural Gas	Ferrell Gas Propane	928.567.3274
Propane	Flame Gas Propane	520.567.4099
Sewer	Camp Verde Sanitary District	928.567.6794
Telephone	Qwest (statewide)	800.244.1111
Water	Camp Verde Water System	928.567.5281
Water	Verde Lakes Water Corp.	928.567.4338

Cable Providers: Y

Digital Switching Station: N

Internet Service Provider: Y

Cable Internet Service Provider: Y

Fiber Optics: Y

Taxes

Property Tax Rate	1990	2000	2006
Elementary/High Schools	6.58	6.24	5.23
City/Fire District	0.00	0.00	0.00
Countywide	5.14	4.18	3.70
Totals	11.72	10.42	8.93

Source: Arizona Tax Research Foundation

Note: Tax rate per \$100 assessed valuation

NOTE: School district participates in the Valley Academy of Career and Technology Education (VACTE).

Sales Tax

	2006
City/Town	0.00%
County	0.75%
State	5.60%

Sources: Arizona League of Cities & Towns, Arizona Dept. of Revenue

Weather

	Avg. Low (°F)	Avg. High (°F)	Precip. (in.)
January	26.1	59.9	1.1
February	29.2	64.8	1.2
March	34.0	70.5	1.2
April	39.6	78.6	0.7
May	46.5	87.9	0.3
June	53.9	97.5	0.3
July	63.5	101.1	1.4
August	62.5	98.2	2.0
September	54.8	93.4	1.6
October	43.0	82.8	1.0
November	31.6	69.0	0.9
December	26.1	59.8	1.2
Yearly Avg.	42.6	80.3	12.9

Source: Western Regional Climate Center

Western Regional Climate Center, wrcc@dri.edu. Period of record 1938-2004.

Average Total Snowfall 2.1". Nearest data available from Montezuma Castle, AZ.

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