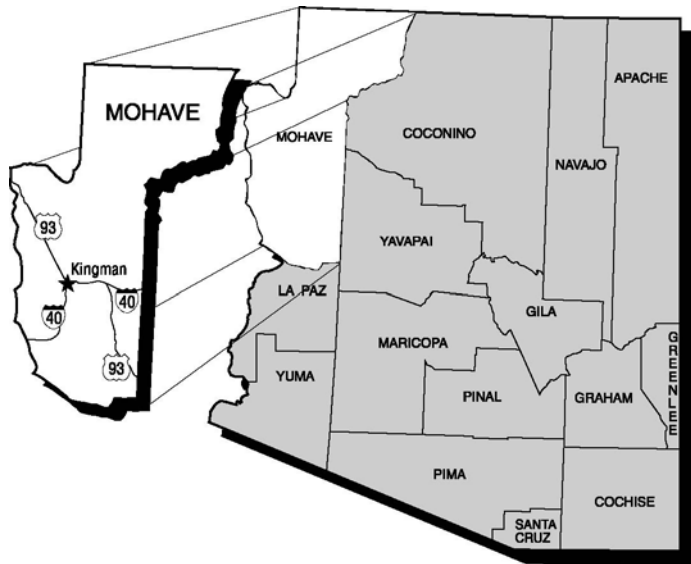


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# Mohave County, Arizona

**Mohave County**, at the time of its creation by Arizona's first Territorial Assembly in 1864, actually included portions of present day Nevada. In 1865, the northern portion of Mohave County was split off as Pah-Ute County. And in 1867, parts of both counties – including the present site of Las Vegas – were attached to Nevada, which had become a state in 1864. The much-reduced Pah-Ute County was merged with Mohave County in 1871. Today, most of the historic sites of "Arizona's Lost County" are covered by the waters of Lake Mead.



The area that is now Mohave County began to attract settlers shortly after it was brought into the United States by the Treaty of Guadalupe Hidalgo in 1848. The 1860s saw an influx of miners after gold was discovered, and Mormons who were sent south from Utah by their church.

Mohave County is geographically the second largest in the state. Most of it is classified as desert, but of its 13,479 square miles, 186 square miles are water. The county boasts 1,000 miles of shoreline and is a great water sports center. It also has the longest stretch of historic Route 66. The Colorado River and two man-made lakes, Lake Mohave and Lake Havasu, play an important role in the growth of Lake Havasu City and Bullhead City.

Kingman, the county seat, was not founded until the 1880s with the coming of the railroad. Before being moved to Kingman in 1887, the county seat had been located in the communities of Mohave City, Hardyville, Cerbat, and Mineral Park – none of which exist today. Although these communities did not survive, the forces that led to their establishment – mining, the Colorado River, and the railroad – are still important to the county's economy. Part of Mohave County and all of Colorado City are designated Enterprise Zones.

The U.S. Forest Service and Bureau of Land management own 55.2 percent of the land; Indian reservations, 6.7 percent; the state of Arizona, 6.6 percent; individual or corporate, 17.2 percent; and other public lands, 14.3 percent.



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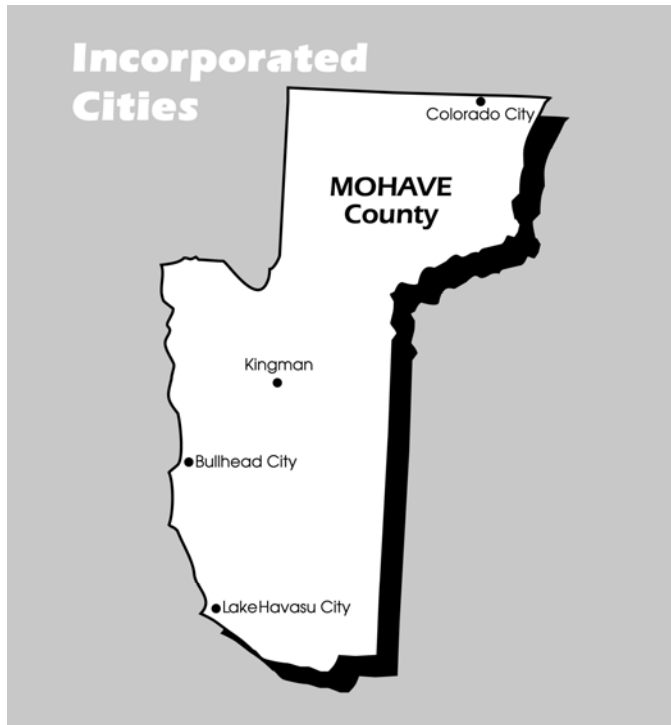
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## Mohave County At-A-Glance

<b>County Seat:</b>	Kingman
<b>2008 Population:</b>	205,862
<b>2008 Labor Force:</b>	93,800
<b>Unemployment Rate:</b>	6.5%
<b>Major Industries:*</b>	Retail Trade, Health Care & Social Assistance, Construction

Sources: July 2008, Population Estimates July 2008, Strategic Investment and Research, Arizona Department of Commerce; 2008 Special Unemployment Report, Arizona Department of Economic Security, Strategic Investment and Research.



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



## Population

	1990	2000	2008
Arizona	3,665,228	5,130,632	6,629,455
Mohave County	77,658	97,470	205,862

### Major Cities/Communities

Bullhead City	10,394	12,429	41,187
Colorado City	4,686	4,917	4,042
Kingman	7,360	6,946	28,823
New Kingman/Butler	4,372	4,922	N/A
Lake Havasu City	2,422	3,582	55,429

Source: U.S. Census Bureau and Arizona Department of Commerce, Strategic Investment and Research.  
N/A - Not available

## Age Distribution

	% of total
0-14	19.3%
15-24	10.3%
25-44	23.2%
45-64	26.7%
65+	20.5%

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

## Population Composition\*

Race	% of total
White	90.1%
Black	0.5%
Native American	2.4%
Asian or Pacific Islander	0.9%
Other	6.1%
Total	100.0%
Hispanic Heritage*	11.1%

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



## Labor Force

### 2008 Civilian Labor Force

	Labor Force	Unemployment Rate
Arizona	3,132,667	5.5%
Mohave County	93,800	6.5%

### Major Cities/Communities

Bullhead City	22,012	6.6%
Colorado City	1,323	4.5%
Dolan Springs	808	16.5%
Kingman	12,616	6.3%
New Kingman/Butler	8,555	10.8%
Lake Havasu City	25,068	5.2%

Source: Arizona Dept. of Commerce, 2008 Special Unemployment Report.

## 2008 Employment by Sector

Mining and Construction	5,100
Educational & Health Svcs	6,100
Financial Activities	2,600
Government	8,700
Leisure & Hospitality	6,100
Manufacturing	3,300
Information	900
Professional & Business Svcs	3,900
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	11,500
Other Services	2,600

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

## 2008 Total All Occupations

<i>Employment</i>	50,520
<i>Hourly Compensation</i>	
Median Wage	\$13.34
Average Wage	\$16.26
Entry Wage *	\$8.59
Experienced **	\$20.09

## 2008 Employment by Occupation - Average Wages

	<i>Employment</i>	<i>Avg. Wages</i>
Office & Administrative Support	8,920	\$13.40
Construction & Extraction	4,730	\$17.25
Sales & Related	6,150	\$13.24
Food Preparation & Serving Related	5,560	\$9.10
Transportation & Material Moving	3,370	\$13.02
Production	2,440	\$14.47
Education, Training & Library	2,690	\$16.71
Healthcare Practitioner & Technical	2,940	\$28.85
Installation, Maintenance & Repair	2,480	\$17.90
Building & Maintenance	2,130	\$10.61
Management	2,180	\$37.21
Personal Care & Service	650	\$11.35
Protective Service	1,610	\$19.06

Source: Prepared by the Arizona Department of Commerce, Strategic Investment and Research in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics, July 2009

\* 10<sup>th</sup> percentile \*\* 75<sup>th</sup> percentile

## Major Employers

Employer	Employment Type
American Woodmark Corp. Kingman	Manufacturer Kitchen Wood Cabinets
Western Arizona Regional Medical Center Bullhead City	General Medical and Surgical Hospital
Ford Proving Grounds, Yucca	Automotive Test Site
Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co., Kingman	Tire & Repair
Guardian Fiber Glass, Kingman	Manufacturer
Havasu Samaritan Regional Hospital Lake Havasu City	General Medical and Surgical Hospital
IWX Motor Freight, Kingman	Trucking/Heavy Hauling
Kingman Regional Medical Center Kingman	General Medical and Surgical Hospital
Laidlaw Corp., Kingman	Manufacturer, Coat Hangers
McKee Foods, Kingman	Manufacturer, Snack Foods
Mohave Community College Bullhead City, Colorado City, Kingman, Lake Havasu City	Colleges and Universities
Mohave County, Kingman	Government
Praxair, Inc., Kingman	Industrial Gases
Silver Ridge Village, Bullhead City	Retirement Home
Smith's Food and Drug Centers, Kingman	Grocery Stores

and Bullhead City	
Sterlite Corp.	Manufacturer
Lake Havasu City	Plastic Household Products
True Serv, Kingman	True Value Hardware
Wal-Mart, Lake Havasu City	Distribution/Trade
West Coast Netting, Kingman	Manufacturer

Sources: Bullhead Area Chamber of Commerce and Kingman Area Chamber of Commerce



## Electric Service

Major Suppliers:

Citizens Utilities (Lake Havasu City)	(928) 855-2138
Citizens Utilities Electric Division	(928) 753-2124
Mohave Electric Cooperative, Inc.	(928) 763-1100

## Natural Gas Service

Major Suppliers:

Citizens Utilities Company	(800) 522-4391
Citizens Utilities (Lake Havasu City)	(928) 453-0595
Southwest Gas Corporation	(800) 766-9722

## Water and Sewer

For information, see specific community profile or contact the local chamber of commerce directly.

## Telephone

Major Suppliers:

Cellular One (Kingman)	(928) 692-1715
Citizens Communications	(928) 453-9009 or (928) 753-9009
Citizens Mohave Wireless	(928) 716-2355
Citizens Utilities Company	(800) 457-0312
South Central Utah Telephone Association	(435) 826-4211



Major Hospitals:

Western Arizona Regional Medical Ctr., Bullhead City	(928) 763-2273
Havasu Samaritan Regional Hospital, Lake Havasu City	(928) 855-8185
Kingman Regional Medical Center, Kingman	(928) 757-2101
Mohave Valley Hospital, Inc., Bullhead City	(928) 758-0105

Educational Facilities:



Mohave Community College, Kingman	(928) 757-4331
Lake Havasu City	(928) 855-7812
Mohave Valley	(928) 763-3926
Colorado City	(928) 875-2799
Northern Arizona University, Kingman Office	(928) 757-0818
The University of Arizona, Mohave County Cooperative Extension Office	(928) 753-3788

Note: Public libraries are located in Kingman, Bullhead City, Lake Havasu City and Colorado City.



# Transportation

## Highways

Interstate 40, I-15, U.S. 93, state Highway 66, state Highway 68, state Highway 95, state Highway 389

## Bus Lines

Greyhound Bus Lines

## Rail Service

AMTRAK	(800) 872-7245
Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway	(800) 289-2673

## Trucking Service

Arkansas Best Freight Systems (ABF) Freight System Inc., C&R Trucking, Conway Transportation Services, Consolidated Freight Ways (CF), Motor Cargo, Sun Aire Transport Corp., Viking Freight Inc., Yellow Freight System, Inc., Roadrunner Trucking

## Air Service

### Major Airports

**Airport Name:** Laughlin Bullhead Int'l. Airport  
 (928) 754-2134  
**Location:** Bullhead City  
**Functional Class:** Commercial Service; Tri-State Regional Airport with scheduled daily service and connections to national/international carriers  
**Elevation:** 692'  
**Ownership:** Public  
**Use:** Public/Military/Commercial  
**Nav-aids:** None  
**Runway:** 16/34 Length: 7,500' Width: 150'

**Airport Name:** Colorado City Municipal (928) 875-8046  
**Functional Class:** Basic Service  
**Elevation:** 4,870'  
**Ownership:** Public  
**Use:** Public  
**Nav-aids:** NDB AWOS  
**Runway:** 20/02 Length: 5,100' Width: 60'  
**Surface:** Asphalt  
**Runway:** 29/11 Length: 6,300' Width: 75'

**Airport Name:** Kingman (928) 757-2134  
**Functional Class:** Commercial Service  
**Elevation:** 3,446'  
**Ownership:** Public  
**Use:** Public/Military/Commercial  
**Nav-Aids:** VOR  
**Runway:** 03/21 Length: 6,831' Width: 150'  
**Surface:** Asphalt  
**Runway:** 17/35 Length: 6,724' Width: 75'  
**Surface:** Asphalt, concrete

**Airport Name:** Lake Havasu City Airport (928) 764-3330  
**Functional Class:** Commercial/General Aviation  
**Elevation:** 781' MSL  
**Ownership:** Municipal (Lake Havasu City)  
**Use:** Public/Commercial/Military  
**Nav-Aids:** Needles VOR/GPS EED 115.2  
 139 degrees at 13.2 NM  
**Runway:** 32/14 Length: 5,500' Width: 100'  
**Surface:** Asphalt

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



## Distance to Major Cities





## Bullhead City

A 72-acre park with all utilities, transportation access to state Highway 95 and Bullhead/Laughlin International Airport is available. Contact Bullhead/Laughlin International Airport Industrial Park, Dave Lords, Arizona Land Advisors at 480-483-8100, and for further information, Phil Brack at 928-704-3533 for available commercial property ready for lease from 15,000 to 30,000 sq.ft.

## Colorado City

Commercial/Industrial Park is located at Arizona Avenue and Highway 389. There are 32 one-to-two acre lots. The city is a designated Enterprise Zone. Contact Oliver Barlow, Enterprise Zone Administrator at (928) 875-2414 or Kevin Barlow, City Clerk at (928) 875-2646.

## Kingman

There is one industrial park four miles from town at the Kingman Airport. 4,500 acres zoned industrial, served by rail, air and interstate highway with all utilities are available. For additional information, contact Kingman 2005, (928) 757-2005.

## Lake Havasu City

The city's Central Business Park has approximately 20 acres remaining available for light manufacturing. Approximately 200 acres of city-owned property, adjoining the newly completed airport, is undergoing master planning. Contact the Partnership for Economic Development, 314 London Bridge Rd., Lake Havasu City, AZ 86403; (928) 453-3444, for further information.

## Mohave County

Interstate 40 industrial corridor now under development, between Kingman and Lake Havasu City, offers large industrial tracts to accommodate warehouse-distribution and manufacturing firms that require direct access to I-40 for same day, on-time deliveries to West Coast markets. The corridor is served by the mainline of the Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad and two transcontinental natural gas pipeline corridors. For information contact the Mohave County Economic Development Division, P.O. Box 7000, Kingman, AZ 86401, call (928) 753-0723 or Fax (928) 753-0776.



## Industrial Development Authorities

### Industrial Development Authority of Bullhead City

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Email: [edevsec@bullheadcity.com](mailto:edevsec@bullheadcity.com)

### Industrial Development Authority of Kingman

Robert A. Taylor, City Attorney  
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(928) 753-8091/Fax: (928) 753-8007

### Industrial Development Authority of Mohave County

Mr. Jonas Peterson  
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Kingman, AZ 86401  
(928) 753-0723/Fax: (928) 753-0776/Email: [mercerc@ctaz.com](mailto:mercerc@ctaz.com)

### Industrial Development Authority of Mohave County

Mr. Lee Bruno, Statutory Agent  
Bruno, Brooks & Goldberg, PC  
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## Commercial Banks

Bank of America	Mohave State Bank
Chase	National Bank of Arizona
First Arizona Savings	Wells Fargo Bank
Mission 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

### Property Tax

Community	School District	City/Fire	Countywide	Total
Bullhead City	3.87	1.79*	3.06	8.72
Chloride	3.98	2.80	3.06	9.84
Colorado City	11.82	3.25*	3.06	18.13
Kingman	3.98	0.13	3.06	7.17
Lake Havasu City	3.54	0.60	3.06	7.20

Source: Arizona Tax Research Foundation, 2008 (Rate is per \$100 of assessed value)  
\* Bullhead City residents also pay Bullhead City Fire District rate and Colorado City residents also pay Colorado City Fire District rate.

### Sales Tax

The state imposes a 5.6 percent transaction privilege (sales) tax on most business activities. Mohave County has a 1/4 cent general sales tax. The cities of Bullhead City, Colorado City, Kingman, and Lake Havasu City have a city sales tax of 2 percent. Colorado City and Kingman have an additional 2 percent tax on hotel and motel stays. Bullhead City and Lake Havasu City have an additional 3 percent tax.

Source: League of Arizona Cities and Towns (Jan. 2008)

### 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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Email: [info@bullheadchamber.com](mailto:info@bullheadchamber.com) (800) 987-7457  
[www.bullheadchamber.com](http://www.bullheadchamber.com) FAX: (928) 754-5514

**Bullhead Regional Economic Development Authority, Inc.**

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[www.bullheadeconomicdevelopment.com](http://www.bullheadeconomicdevelopment.com)

**Dolan Springs Chamber of Commerce**

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Dolan Springs, AZ 86441 FAX: (928) 767-4473  
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