

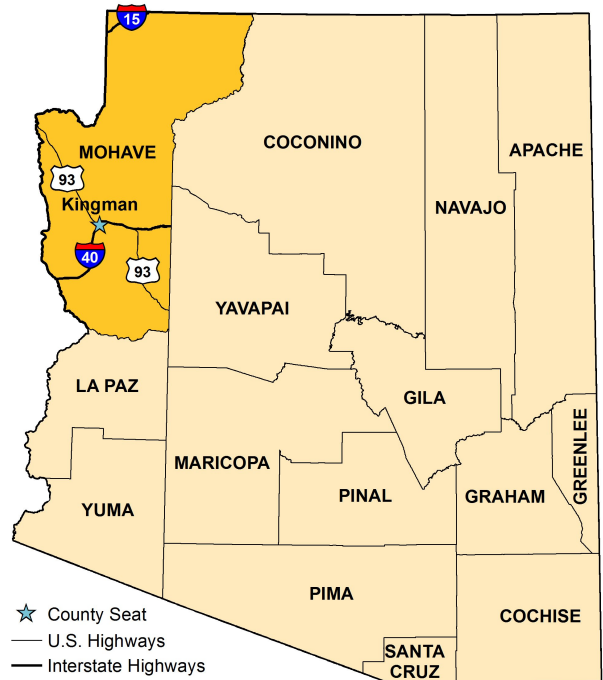
Mohave County, at the time of its creation by Arizona's first Territorial Assembly in 1864, actually included portions of present day Nevada. In 1865, the northern portion of Mohave County was split off as Pah-Ute County. And in 1867, parts of both counties – including the present site of Las Vegas – 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 13,470 square miles, 158 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.

The U.S. Forest Service and Bureau of Land management own 61 percent of the land; Indian reservations, 6 percent; the state of Arizona, 7 percent; individual or corporate, 18 percent; and other public lands, 8 percent.



## POPULATION

	2000	2010	2017
Arizona	5,130,632	6,401,569	6,965,897
Mohave County	155,032	200,099	209,792
<i>Incorporated Cities &amp; Towns</i>			
Lake Havasu City	41,938	52,469	54,801
Bullhead City	33,769	39,518	40,551
Kingman	20,069	28,081	29,600
Colorado City	3,334	4,821	4,872

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## AGE DISTRIBUTION

0-14	15.3 %
15-24	10.1 %
25-44	19.3 %
45-64	28.4 %
65+	26.9 %

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## DISTANCE TO MAJOR CITIES (FROM KINGMAN)

Phoenix	186 miles
Tucson	297 miles
Los Angeles	319 miles
San Diego	380 miles
Las Vegas	105 miles

## LABOR FORCE

	Labor Force	Unemployment Rate
Arizona	3,312,720	4.9 %
Mohave County	82,407	5.9 %
<i>Incorporated Cities &amp; Towns</i>		
Lake Havasu City	23,748	5.4 %
Bullhead City	16,477	5.9 %
Kingman	12,935	5.7 %
Colorado City	1,246	10.7 %

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## EMPLOYMENT BY SECTOR (IN THOUSANDS)

Arts, entertainment, food & recreation services	13.7	20.4 %
Education, health care & social assistance	13.4	20.0 %
Retail trade	9.6	14.3 %
Construction	4.6	6.8 %
Professional, scientific, & administrative services	4.3	6.4 %
Transportation, warehousing, & utilities	4.0	6.0 %
Manufacturing	3.9	5.8 %
Public administration	3.7	5.6 %
Other services, except public administration	3.7	5.5 %
Finance, insurance & real estate	3.1	4.6 %
Information	1.1	1.7 %
Wholesale trade	1.0	1.5 %
Agriculture, forestry, fishing, hunting, & mining	0.9	1.4 %

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## PROPERTY TAX

	Schools	City/Fire	County	Total
Bullhead City	4.59	3.03	4.64	12.26
Colorado City	4.86	3.16	4.64	12.66
Kingman	5.71	0.00	4.64	10.36
Lake Havasu City	4.04	0.70	4.64	9.38

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## SALES TAX / TRANSACTION PRIVILEGE TAX

	City	County	State	Total
Bullhead City	2.00%	0.25%	5.60%	7.85%
Colorado City	3.00%	0.25%	5.60%	8.85%
Kingman	3.50%	0.25%	5.60%	9.35%
Lake Havasu City	2.00%	0.25%	5.60%	7.85%

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## CONTACT INFORMATION

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### Bullhead City

Phone: 928-763-0122

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### Bullhead Area Chamber of Commerce

Phone: 928-754-4121

Website: [www.bullheadchamber.com](http://www.bullheadchamber.com)

### Town of Colorado City

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Website: <http://www.tocc.us/>

### Mohave County Economic Development

Phone: 928-757-0960

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### City of Kingman

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Website: [www.cityofkingman.gov](http://www.cityofkingman.gov)

### City of Kingman Development Services

Phone: 928-565-1416

Website: [www.choosekingman.com](http://www.choosekingman.com)

### City of Lake Havasu

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### Lake Havasu Area Chamber of Commerce

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