

Tusayan is situated at the south entrance to Grand Canyon National Park. The beautiful Kaibab National Forest borders the other three sides of the town, located in north-central Arizona. The town is surrounded by large pine trees interspersed with grassy meadows and occasional stands of aspen and oak. The Kaibab National Forest is one of the largest ponderosa pine forests on the continent. Tusayan offers resort amenities to serve the approximately six million tourists traveling from around the world to experience the Grand Canyon, one of the seven natural wonders of the world.

Principal Economic Activities

Tusayan's economy is almost exclusively based on tourism-related retail businesses. The town encompasses more than 1,000 hotel rooms with restaurants, gift shops and entertainment establishments like the IMAX Theater. A number of tour operators offer unique jeep and horseback trips while aircraft companies provide exclusive plane and helicopter sightseeing experiences of the Grand Canyon. The town's proximity to ski runs and cross-country skiing facilities provide for winter fun. The National Park Service and National Forest Service are major employers in this area. Additionally, a couple of cattle ranching enterprises contribute to the area's economy.

Scenic Attractions

The Grand Canyon attracts worldwide visitors hoping to experience the beauty and awe that can only be found here. Tusayan sits along the Arizona Trail and has been acknowledged as a "Gateway Community to the Grand Canyon." This area also is recognized for its exceptional hunting and wildlife watching experiences. A few lakes offer fishing in this region. Hiking and camping opportunities abound in the Kaibab National Forest, as well as on several private sites. The natural landscape provides enjoyment for the outdoor enthusiast in this stunning Arizona region.

Community Facilities

Tusayan currently consists of 144 developable acres with fewer than 10 privately-owned and occupied houses. The town has traditionally relied upon the Kaibab National Park for cultural, educational and recreational facilities. Tusayan, as Arizona's 91st and newest incorporated community, offers a tot lot, restrooms, sports courts and fields, with more facilities being developed. Plans are in the works for additional cultural and recreational amenities with the potential development of two forest inholdings comprising about 350 acres within the town's limits.



Community Profile for
Tusayan, Arizona

BASIC INFORMATION

Founded:
Incorporated: 2010
Elevation: 6,800 ft.
Location: Coconino

Distance to major cities:

Phoenix: 222 miles
Tucson: 337 miles
Las Vegas: 270 miles
San Diego: 546 miles
Los Angeles: 485 miles

POPULATION

	2000	2010	2023 (est.)
Tusayan	0	558	614

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SALES TAX / TRANSACTION PRIVILEGE TAX

Tusayan	2.00%
Coconino	1.30%
State	5.60%

Arizona Dept. of Revenue & Arizona Tax Research Foundation

LABOR FORCE

	2000	2010	2022
Civilian Labor Force	406	258	233
Unemployed	7	0	0
Unemployment Rate	1.7%	0.0%	0.0%

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WORKFORCE EDUCATION ATTAINMENT

	Count	Share
Less than high school	15	6.7%
High school or equivalent, no college	51	22.9%
Some college or Associate degree	86	38.6%
Bachelor's degree or advanced degree	71	31.8%

American Community Survey

INDUSTRY (RANKED BY EMPLOYMENT)

	Count	Share
Arts, entertainment, food & recreation services	105	46.3%
Transportation, warehousing, & utilities	35	15.4%
Public administration	34	15.0%
Education, health care & social assistance	17	7.5%
Retail trade	17	7.5%
Professional, scientific, & administrative services	11	4.8%
Finance, insurance & real estate	8	3.5%

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