

Davis County



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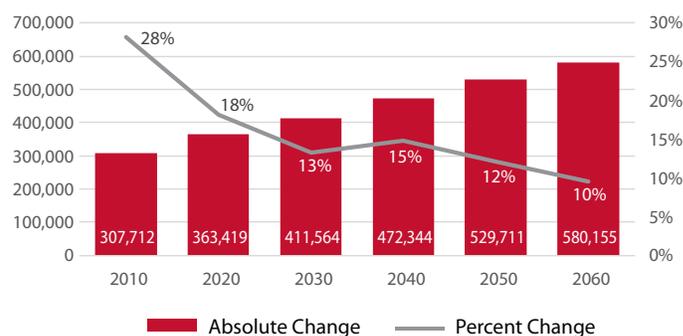
Davis County ranks among Utah's most economically diverse. Analysts expect the economy to continue to grow, driven by attractive economic assets, including a large and well-trained workforce, Hill Air Force Base, and proximity to Salt Lake City International Airport.

Key Findings

- **Historical population context** – Between 2010 and 2020, Davis County grew by 56,200 residents. Driven by natural increase, this resulted in a 2020 Census population of 362,679, the third largest in Utah.
- **Regional context** – Davis County is part of the Greater Salt Lake Region. This 12-county economic region functions largely as a single consumer market and labor market.
- **Population growth** – Davis County's population is projected to grow from 363,419 on July 1, 2020 to 580,155 in 2060. Davis County is projected to remain the third largest county in the state throughout the projection period.
- **Components of change** – Natural increase is projected to be the primary driver of growth, until later decades when net migration becomes a more significant contributor.
- **Age composition** – Davis County's population ages over the projection horizon. The share of the total population age 65 and older is projected to more than double from 10.3% in 2020 to 22.9% in 2060. The share of the population under 18 is projected to decline from 32.0% in 2020 to 21.1% in 2060. The median age is projected to rise from 32.1 in 2020 to 43.1 in 2060.

- **Economic growth** – Davis County's employment is projected to increase from 195,930 in 2020 to 310,889 in 2060. The leading growth sectors include construction, professional, scientific and technical services, retail, and health care and social services, contributing a combined 56% of employment growth.

Historic and Projected Growth in Davis County



Source: Kem C. Gardner Policy Institute, 2020-2060 Projections

Major Events/Projects

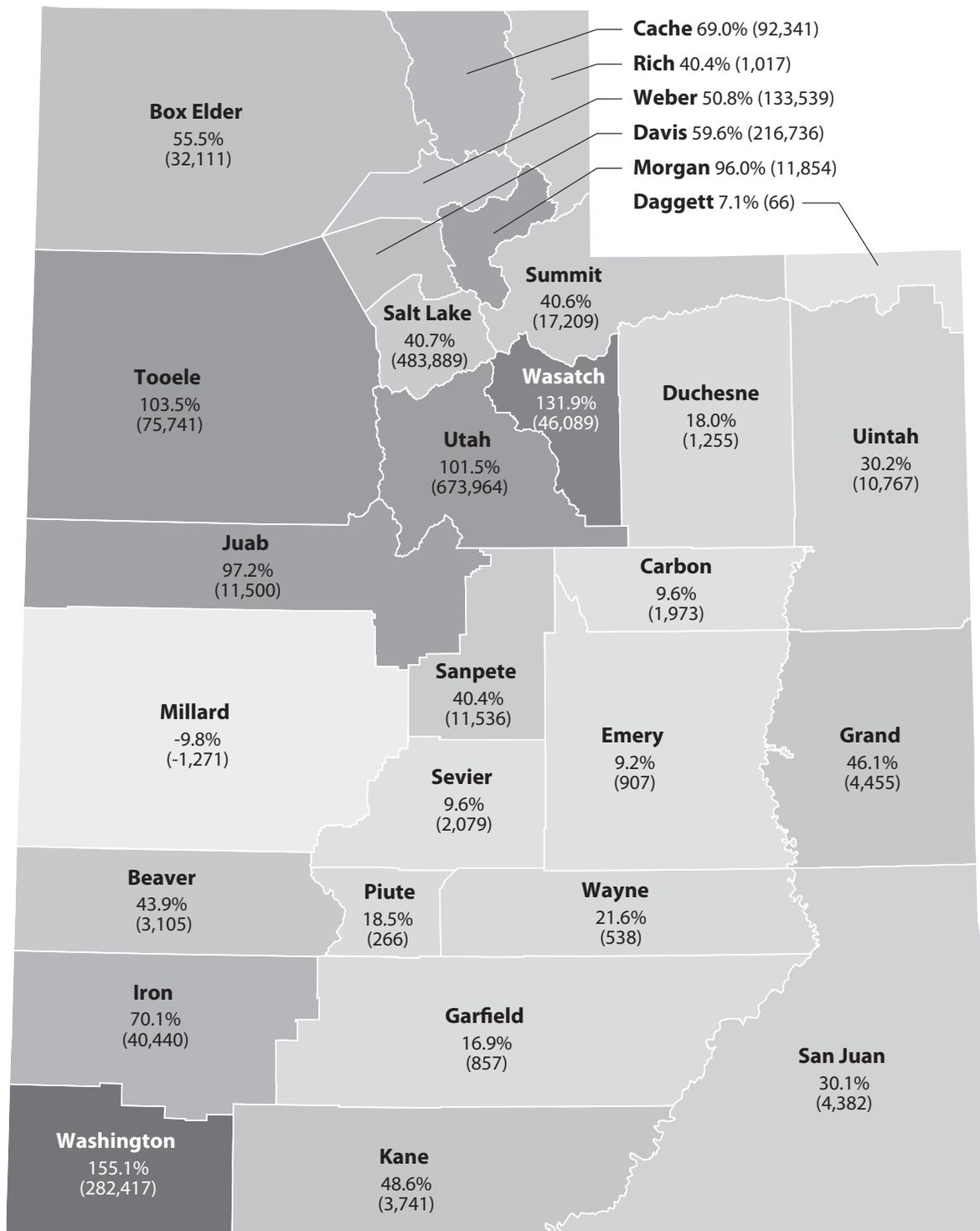
- **Falcon Hill Aerospace Research Park** – Falcon Hill is a 550-acre research park with more than 1 million square feet of commercial space available both inside and outside the Hill Air Force Base boundaries. It is the largest Enhanced Use Lease in the Air Force.
- **Northern Utah Economic Alliance (NUEA)** – NUEA is an economic development partnership between Weber and Davis counties designed to increase high-paying jobs in targeted industries. These industries include aerospace and defense, advanced manufacturing, and outdoor products.
- **Northrup Grumman expansion** – Aerospace company, Northrup Grumman, is expected to expand its current operation in northern Utah, adding 3,000 new jobs with a \$380 million investment over the next 20 years.

Assumptions

- **Fertility** – The estimated 2020 Total Fertility Rate (TFR) for Davis County is 2.12. The TFRs in all regions are predicted to decline, resulting in a TFR of 1.90 in Davis County in 2060. Statewide, the TFR is projected to decline from 1.99 in 2020 to 1.78 in 2060.
- **Life expectancy** – The estimated 2020 life expectancy for Davis County males is 79.5 and 82.3 for females. Based on historical trends, we project it to rise to 85.6 for males and 87.6 for females by 2060.
- **Resource constraints and policy choices** – These projections for Davis County assume no land (including slopes, flood plains, and soils), water, or other resource constraints. Policy choices such as land use, community preferences, and opportunity zones are considered as part of the local review process.

Utah Projected County Population

Absolute and Percent Change, 2020 to 2060



Source: Kem C. Gardner Policy Institute, 2020-2060 Projections

Projected Davis County Growth by Category, 2020–2060

Year	Population				Employment			Households			
	Population	Absolute Change	Annual Growth Rate	Median Age	Employment	Absolute Change	Annual Growth Rate	Households	Absolute Change	Annual Growth Rate	Persons Per Household
2020	363,419	n/a	n/a	32.1	196,858	n/a	n/a	111,552	n/a	n/a	3.2
2021	367,944	4,525	1.2%	32.6	205,489	8,631	4.4%	113,839	2,287	2.1%	3.2
2022	372,212	4,268	1.2%	33.1	211,112	5,623	2.7%	116,123	2,284	2.0%	3.2
2023	376,381	4,169	1.1%	33.5	216,282	5,170	2.4%	118,387	2,264	1.9%	3.2
2024	380,622	4,241	1.1%	34.0	220,279	3,997	1.8%	120,724	2,337	2.0%	3.1
2025	385,048	4,426	1.2%	34.4	223,329	3,050	1.4%	123,157	2,433	2.0%	3.1
2026	389,744	4,696	1.2%	34.9	225,880	2,551	1.1%	125,697	2,540	2.1%	3.1
2027	394,752	5,008	1.3%	35.3	228,402	2,522	1.1%	128,345	2,648	2.1%	3.0
2028	400,084	5,332	1.4%	35.6	231,009	2,607	1.1%	131,102	2,757	2.1%	3.0
2029	405,709	5,625	1.4%	35.9	234,432	3,423	1.5%	133,982	2,880	2.2%	3.0
2030	411,564	5,855	1.4%	36.1	236,180	1,748	0.7%	136,990	3,008	2.2%	3.0
2031	417,548	5,984	1.5%	36.2	237,536	1,356	0.6%	140,143	3,153	2.3%	3.0
2032	423,520	5,972	1.4%	36.4	239,623	2,087	0.9%	143,326	3,183	2.3%	2.9
2033	429,546	6,026	1.4%	36.5	241,646	2,023	0.8%	146,565	3,239	2.3%	2.9
2034	435,588	6,042	1.4%	36.6	244,305	2,659	1.1%	149,842	3,277	2.2%	2.9
2035	441,677	6,089	1.4%	36.7	246,590	2,285	0.9%	153,065	3,223	2.2%	2.9
2036	447,811	6,134	1.4%	36.8	249,207	2,617	1.1%	156,187	3,122	2.0%	2.8
2037	453,957	6,146	1.4%	36.9	251,982	2,775	1.1%	159,262	3,075	2.0%	2.8
2038	460,098	6,141	1.4%	36.9	254,619	2,637	1.0%	162,305	3,043	1.9%	2.8
2039	466,209	6,111	1.3%	37.0	257,264	2,645	1.0%	165,286	2,981	1.8%	2.8
2040	472,344	6,135	1.3%	37.2	260,029	2,765	1.1%	168,210	2,924	1.8%	2.8
2041	478,443	6,099	1.3%	37.5	262,642	2,613	1.0%	171,499	3,289	2.0%	2.8
2042	484,465	6,022	1.3%	37.8	265,416	2,774	1.1%	174,606	3,107	1.8%	2.8
2043	490,413	5,948	1.2%	38.1	268,233	2,817	1.1%	177,595	2,989	1.7%	2.7
2044	496,242	5,829	1.2%	38.4	271,198	2,965	1.1%	180,524	2,929	1.6%	2.7
2045	502,001	5,759	1.2%	38.7	274,167	2,969	1.1%	183,362	2,838	1.6%	2.7
2046	507,737	5,736	1.1%	39.0	277,130	2,963	1.1%	186,179	2,817	1.5%	2.7
2047	513,383	5,646	1.1%	39.4	280,009	2,879	1.0%	188,959	2,780	1.5%	2.7
2048	518,947	5,564	1.1%	39.7	282,829	2,820	1.0%	191,757	2,798	1.5%	2.7
2049	524,392	5,445	1.0%	40.0	285,677	2,848	1.0%	194,547	2,790	1.5%	2.7
2050	529,710	5,318	1.0%	40.3	288,350	2,673	0.9%	197,333	2,786	1.4%	2.7
2051	535,021	5,311	1.0%	40.6	290,900	2,550	0.9%	200,184	2,851	1.4%	2.6
2052	540,291	5,270	1.0%	40.9	293,275	2,375	0.8%	203,103	2,919	1.5%	2.6
2053	545,512	5,221	1.0%	41.2	295,632	2,357	0.8%	206,178	3,075	1.5%	2.6
2054	550,630	5,118	0.9%	41.5	297,954	2,322	0.8%	209,367	3,189	1.5%	2.6
2055	555,633	5,003	0.9%	41.8	300,329	2,375	0.8%	212,650	3,283	1.6%	2.6
2056	560,592	4,959	0.9%	42.1	302,644	2,315	0.8%	216,047	3,397	1.6%	2.6
2057	565,518	4,926	0.9%	42.3	304,827	2,183	0.7%	219,542	3,495	1.6%	2.5
2058	570,438	4,920	0.9%	42.6	306,924	2,097	0.7%	223,102	3,560	1.6%	2.5
2059	575,345	4,907	0.9%	42.9	308,927	2,003	0.7%	226,801	3,699	1.7%	2.5
2060	580,155	4,810	0.8%	43.1	310,889	1,962	0.6%	230,583	3,782	1.7%	2.5

Source: Kem C. Gardner Policy Institute, 2020–2060 Projections

Endnote

1 The decennial census count is as of April 1, 2020. Projections are as of July 1 of each year.