Salt Lake County

Demographic

- Salt Lake County’s 2015 estimated population was 1.1 million people.
- Salt Lake County is projected to add nearly 600,000 new residents by 2065.
- Median age is projected to increase from 32.50 in 2015 to 41.74 in 2065.
- Total number of households is projected to increase from 379,320 in 2015 to 689,490 in 2065.

Economic

- State and local government, including public and higher education, is the largest industry, accounting for about 13.1% of Salt Lake County jobs.
- Share of state’s personal income: 42.0%
- Share of state’s retail GDP: 49.3%
- Over 100,000 workers (roughly the entire population of Provo) commute from outside of the county.

Land Use

- Total land area is 474,880 acres.
- 73% private land, 27% public land.
- 40,000 acres currently developable, with about 15,000 additional acres under Rio Tinto ownership.
- 2.7% of state’s agricultural land.
Salt Lake County Long-Term Projections Summary

Salt Lake County Components of Change

-5,000 -10,000 0 5,000 10,000 15,000 20,000 25,000 30,000


Issues:
Over the next 50 years, Salt Lake County will confront some of the most significant growth opportunities and challenges of any area in the state. Among the most crucial are the following:

- Transportation investment (roads, transit, and air transportation)
- Water conservation, pricing, and infrastructure development
- Housing affordability
- Critical land conservation
- Public safety investment and innovation (new state prison)
- Public and higher education investment and innovation
- Health care reform and an aging population
- Further development of Silicon Slopes
- Development of the northwest quadrant (inland port and other ideas)

Big Ideas

Wasatch Front Population Projections

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1. Average annual change is the compounding annual growth rate.

Projected Average Annual Change in Salt Lake County Jobs by Industry, 2016-2065

Selected Age Groups as a Percent of Total Population in Salt Lake County

Source: Kem C. Gardner Policy Institute