Utah Long-Term Planning Projection Summary
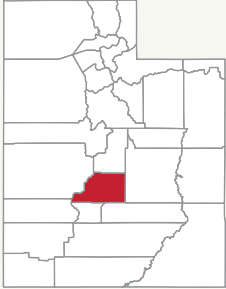
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Sevier County

Sevier County is the 14th largest in Utah, with a 2020 Census population of 21,522.[1] Between 2010 and 2020, Sevier County grew by 720 residents, driven by natural increase.

Sevier County's population is projected to grow from 21,571 on July 1, 2020 to 23,650 in 2060. The median age is projected to rise from 35.5 in 2020 to 49.4 in 2060. Additional details on age groups are included below.

Sevier County's economy ranks as one of Utah's more economically specialized counties. Analysts expect the economy to continue to grow, driven by a hardworking labor force, the Snow College Sevier Valley Center, favorable broadband access, and proximity to the Greater Salt Lake economic region.
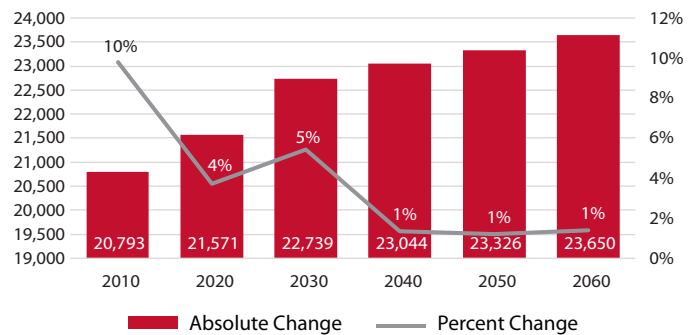
Key Findings

- **Historical population context** – Between 2010 and 2020, Sevier County grew by 720 residents. Driven by natural increase, this resulted in a 2020 Census population of 21,522, the 14th largest in Utah.

- **Regional context** – Sevier County shares an economic link with Piute, Millard, Sanpete and Wayne counties. This five-county economic region functions largely as a single consumer market and labor market.

- **Population growth** – Sevier County's population is projected to grow from 21,571 on July 1, 2020 to 23,650 in 2060. Sevier County's overall population ranking is projected to decrease from 14th largest in 2020 to 17th largest in 2060.

- **Components of change** – Beginning in the late 2030s through 2060, net migration is projected to play a more significant role in population growth in Sevier County.

- **Age composition** – Sevier County's population ages over the projection horizon. The share of the total population age 65 and older is projected to increase from 16.9% in 2020 to 32.4% in 2060. The share of the population under

18 is projected to decline, from 29.9% in 2020 to 18.6% in 2060. The median age is projected to rise from 35.5 in 2020 to 49.4 in 2060.

- **Economic growth** – Sevier County's employment is projected to increase from 12,533 in 2020 to 15,413 in 2060. Leading growth sectors include construction, health care and social services, professional, technical, and scientific services, and accommodation and food services, contributing 66% of growth over the projection period.

Historic and Projected Growth in Sevier County

	2010	2020	2030	2040	2050	2060
Absolute Change	20,793	21,571	22,739	23,044	23,326	23,650
Percent Change	10%	4%	5%	1%	1%	1%

Source: Kem C. Gardner Policy Institute, 2020-2060 Projections
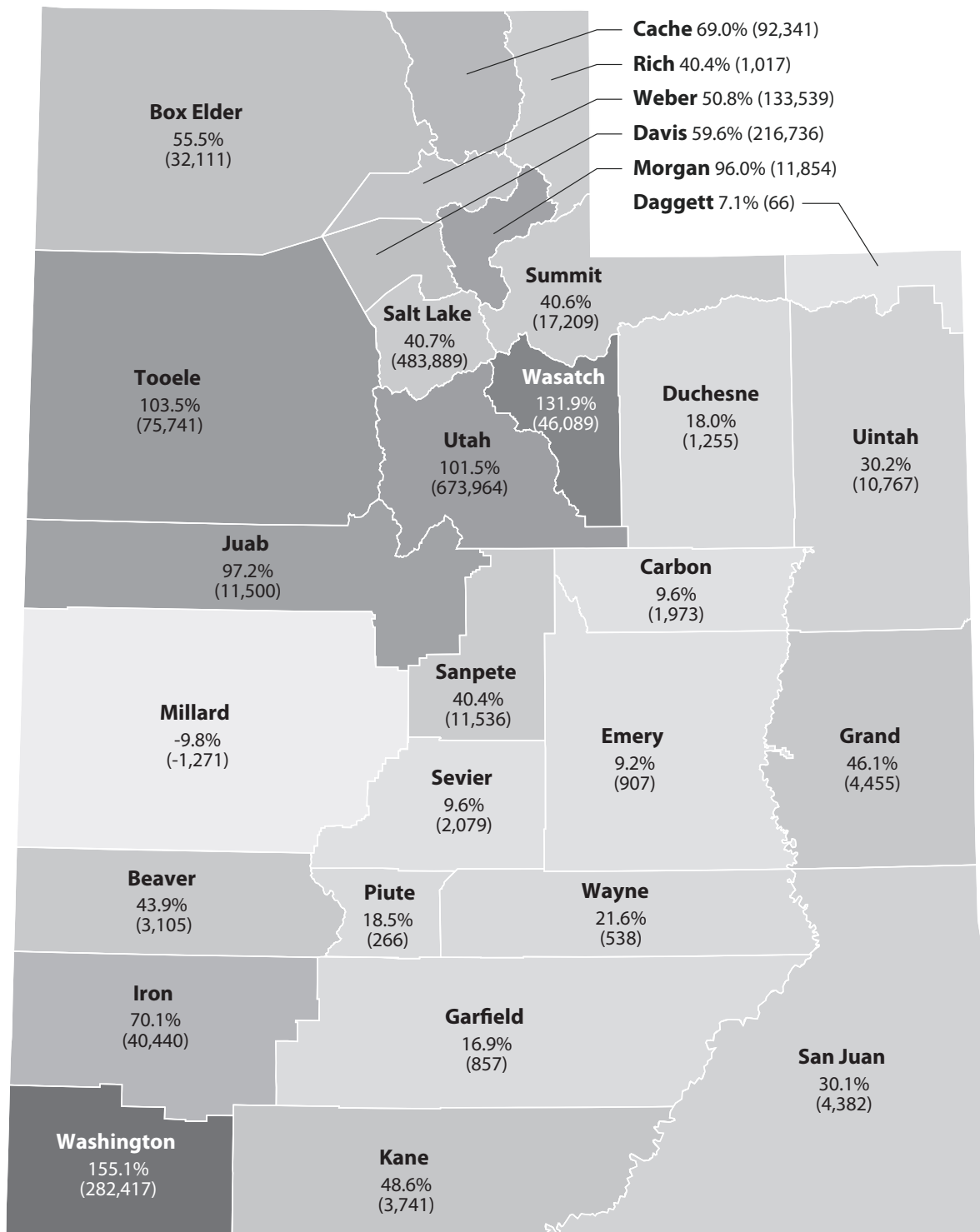
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Major Events/Projects

- **Expansion of CSS Composites** – The composites manufacturer is set to expand with 50 new jobs, a new 50,000 square foot manufacturing facility and a $15 million investment of capital.

Assumptions

- **Fertility** – The estimated 2020 Total Fertility Rate (TFR) for Sevier County is 2.11. The TFRs in all regions are predicted to decline, resulting in a TFR of 1.89 in Sevier 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 Sevier County males is 75.9 and 80.3 for females. Based on historical trends, we project it to rise to 81.7 for males and 85.5 for females by 2060.

- **Resource constraints and policy choices** – These projections for Sevier 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

Cache 69.0% (92,341)

Rich 40.4% (1,017)

Weber 50.8% (133,539)

Davis 59.6% (216,736)

Morgan 96.0% (11,854)

Daggett 7.1% (66)

Box Elder
55.5%
(32,111)

Summit
40.6%
(17,209)

Salt Lake
40.7%
(483,889)

Wasatch
131.9%
(46,089)

Duchesne
18.0%
(1,255)

Uintah
30.2%
(10,767)

Tooele
103.5%
(75,741)

Utah
101.5%
(673,964)

Juab
97.2%
(11,500)

Carbon
9.6%
(1,973)

Millard
-9.8%
(-1,271)

Sanpete
40.4%
(11,536)

Emery
9.2%
(907)

Grand
46.1%
(4,455)

Sevier
9.6%
(2,079)

Beaver
43.9%
(3,105)

Piute
18.5%
(266)

Wayne
21.6%
(538)

Iron
70.1%
(40,440)

Garfield
16.9%
(857)

San Juan
30.1%
(4,382)

Washington
155.1%
(282,417)

Kane
48.6%
(3,741)

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

Projected Sevier County Growth by Category, 2020–2060

Year	Population				Employment			Households			
	Population	Absoulte Change	Annual Growth Rate	Median Age	Employment	Absolute Change	Annual Growth Rate	Households	Absolute Change	Annual Growth Rate	Persons Per Household
2020	21,571	n/a	n/a	35.5	12,638	n/a	n/a	7,464	n/a	n/a	2.9
2021	21,799	228	1.1%	35.8	13,144	506	4.0%	7,601	137	1.8%	2.8
2022	22,004	205	0.9%	36.2	13,225	81	0.6%	7,723	122	1.6%	2.8
2023	22,227	223	1.0%	36.6	13,540	315	2.4%	7,856	133	1.7%	2.8
2024	22,448	221	1.0%	36.9	13,583	43	0.3%	7,993	137	1.7%	2.8
2025	22,555	107	0.5%	37.3	13,428	-155	-1.1%	8,102	109	1.4%	2.7
2026	22,626	71	0.3%	37.8	13,355	-73	-0.5%	8,209	107	1.3%	2.7
2027	22,673	47	0.2%	38.2	13,374	19	0.1%	8,307	98	1.2%	2.7
2028	22,706	33	0.1%	38.6	13,125	-249	-1.9%	8,393	86	1.0%	2.7
2029	22,728	22	0.1%	39.1	13,131	6	0.0%	8,482	89	1.1%	2.6
2030	22,739	11	0.0%	39.5	12,958	-173	-1.3%	8,565	83	1.0%	2.6
2031	22,746	7	0.0%	39.9	12,948	-10	-0.1%	8,640	75	0.9%	2.6
2032	22,760	14	0.1%	40.3	12,924	-24	-0.2%	8,713	73	0.8%	2.6
2033	22,781	21	0.1%	40.8	12,942	18	0.1%	8,785	72	0.8%	2.6
2034	22,806	25	0.1%	41.1	13,012	70	0.5%	8,864	79	0.9%	2.5
2035	22,846	40	0.2%	41.4	13,073	61	0.5%	8,935	71	0.8%	2.5
2036	22,887	41	0.2%	41.6	13,137	64	0.5%	8,995	60	0.7%	2.5
2037	22,927	40	0.2%	41.8	13,199	62	0.5%	9,051	56	0.6%	2.5
2038	22,967	40	0.2%	42.0	13,256	57	0.4%	9,101	50	0.6%	2.5
2039	23,005	38	0.2%	42.1	13,311	55	0.4%	9,152	51	0.6%	2.5
2040	23,044	39	0.2%	42.2	13,386	75	0.6%	9,202	50	0.5%	2.5
2041	23,082	38	0.2%	42.3	13,473	87	0.6%	9,267	65	0.7%	2.4
2042	23,118	36	0.2%	42.3	13,570	97	0.7%	9,328	61	0.7%	2.4
2043	23,153	35	0.2%	42.4	13,662	92	0.7%	9,390	62	0.7%	2.4
2044	23,186	33	0.1%	42.5	13,772	110	0.8%	9,470	80	0.9%	2.4
2045	23,214	28	0.1%	42.7	13,885	113	0.8%	9,539	69	0.7%	2.4
2046	23,242	28	0.1%	43.1	14,002	117	0.8%	9,599	60	0.6%	2.4
2047	23,266	24	0.1%	43.5	14,123	121	0.9%	9,655	56	0.6%	2.4
2048	23,289	23	0.1%	43.9	14,245	122	0.9%	9,713	58	0.6%	2.3
2049	23,309	20	0.1%	44.3	14,364	119	0.8%	9,783	70	0.7%	2.3
2050	23,326	17	0.1%	44.7	14,475	111	0.8%	9,842	59	0.6%	2.3
2051	23,344	18	0.1%	45.2	14,570	95	0.7%	9,894	52	0.5%	2.3
2052	23,362	18	0.1%	45.7	14,658	88	0.6%	9,963	69	0.7%	2.3
2053	23,382	20	0.1%	46.2	14,744	86	0.6%	10,020	57	0.6%	2.3
2054	23,406	24	0.1%	46.7	14,829	85	0.6%	10,075	55	0.5%	2.3
2055	23,434	28	0.1%	47.1	14,920	91	0.6%	10,150	75	0.7%	2.3
2056	23,467	33	0.1%	47.6	15,006	86	0.6%	10,246	96	0.9%	2.2
2057	23,505	38	0.2%	48.1	15,102	96	0.6%	10,352	106	1.0%	2.2
2058	23,549	44	0.2%	48.5	15,205	103	0.7%	10,456	104	1.0%	2.2
2059	23,598	49	0.2%	49.0	15,307	102	0.7%	10,547	91	0.9%	2.2
2060	23,650	52	0.2%	49.4	15,413	106	0.7%	10,636	89	0.8%	2.2

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.