

Utah at a Glance

Utah's Population

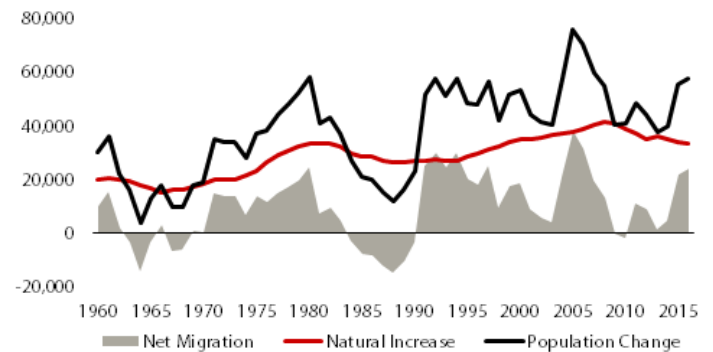
- **3.1 million** – Utah's population has grown by roughly 350,000 people since 2010, with the July 1, 2017 estimate from the Utah Population Committee coming in at 3,114,039.
- **Third fastest growing** – Nationally, Utah was the 3rd fastest growing state, growing 1.9 percent between 2016 and 2017. Growth was a trend in the mountain west, with Idaho coming in first and Nevada second.
- **Migration is coming back** – And edging nearer to pre-recession levels. In 2017, 46 percent of population growth can be attributed to migration.
- **Fertility is dropping** – Utah's total fertility rate fell to second in the nation, behind South Dakota.
- **But natural increase is still significant** – Although absolute growth from natural increase has been declining since 2010, it still was responsible for 54 percent of growth between 2016 and 2017.
- **Large households** – Utah has the largest average household size in the nation at 3.19 persons per household.
- **Changing age structures** – While still younger and more fertile than the nation, median age continued its increase in 2017.
- **An urban population** – Three-quarters of the state's population lived along the Wasatch Front (Davis, Salt Lake, Utah, and Weber counties) in 2017.
- **Diversifying** – While the state's population still predominantly identifies as white, non-Hispanic (78.8 percent), the share of residents that identified as Hispanic (13.8 percent), non-Hispanic Asian (2.4 percent) and multiple races (2 percent) increased in 2016 estimates from the Census Bureau.
- **Educational attainment** – Over the past decade, the share of Utahns with a Bachelor's degree has increased from 28.6 percent to 32.6 percent.
- **County growth** – While Salt Lake County is still the most populous in the state, Wasatch and Washington had the highest annual percent growth between 2016 and 2017.
- **Cities** – Salt Lake City is the largest city in Utah, at 193,744 in the latest available estimates. Cities in southern Salt Lake County and northern Utah county saw the highest percentage increase in population between 2010 and 2016.

Table 1
Utah Demographic Highlights with National Comparison

	Utah	U.S.
Total population (2017)	3,114,039	325,719,178
3rd fastest population growth (2016-2017)	1.9%	0.7%
Youngest median age (2016)	30.8	37.9
Persons under 18 years (2016) (Utah ranks 1st)	30.2%	22.7%
Persons 65 and over (2016) (Utah ranks 49th)	10.5%	15.2%
2nd highest fertility rate (2016)	2.24	1.82
Largest household size (2016)	3.19	2.65

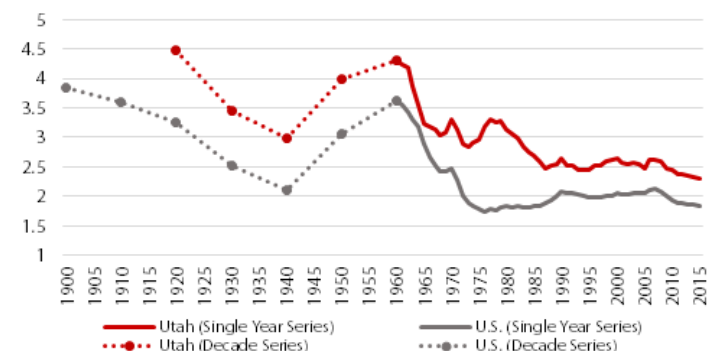
Source: Utah Population Committee estimates, U.S. Census Bureau, National Center for Health Statistics

Figure 1
Utah Components of Population Change



Source: Utah Population Estimates Committee (1950-2009); Utah Population Committee (2010-2017)

Figure 2
Total Fertility Rate, Utah and United States



Source: National Center for Health Statistics; Utah Department of Health; U.S. Census Bureau Decennial Counts; Utah Population Database, University of Utah

Table 2
Utah Race and Hispanic Origin

	Census 2010		2016 Estimate	
	Estimate	Share	Estimate	Share
Total Population	2,763,885	100.0%	3,051,217	100.0%
Not Hispanic Total	2,405,545	87.0%	2,630,777	86.2%
NH White	2,226,363	80.6%	2,404,802	78.8%
Minority	537,522	19.4%	646,415	21.2%
Hispanic	358,340	13.0%	420,440	13.8%
NH Black	26,328	1.0%	32,435	1.1%
NH AIAN*	27,228	1.0%	30,220	1.0%
NH Asian	54,794	2.0%	73,240	2.4%
NH Islander*	24,183	0.9%	29,070	1.0%
NH Multiple*	46,649	1.7%	61,010	2.0%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Population Estimates

Note: NH means Non-Hispanic or Latino

*AIAN: American Indian or Alaska Native. Islander: Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander. Multiple: Two or More Races

Table 3
Largest Counties in Utah

Rank*	County	Census 2010	2017 Estimate
1	Salt Lake	1,029,655	1,128,283
2	Utah	516,564	617,735
3	Davis	306,479	348,770
4	Weber	231,236	248,839
5	Washington	138,115	165,601
6	Cache	112,656	126,491
7	Tooele	58,218	67,133
8	Box Elder	49,975	54,970
9	Iron	46,163	52,280
10	Summit	36,324	40,772

Source: U.S. Census Bureau (2010); Utah Population Committee (2017)

*Top 10 rank of county populations did not change from the 2010 Census to the 2017 estimates.

Table 4
Fastest Growing Counties in Utah

2016-2017		
Rank	County	Change
1	Wasatch	4.1%
2	Washington	3.3%
3	Iron	3.0%
4	Tooele	2.8%
5	Utah	2.4%
6	Juab	2.2%
7	Cache	2.1%
8	Sanpete	1.8%
9	Summit	1.8%
10	Davis	1.8%

Source: Utah Population Committee

2010-2017		
Rank	County	Change
1	Wasatch	32.0%
2	Morgan	23.2%
3	Washington	19.5%
4	Utah	19.1%
5	Tooele	15.0%
6	Juab	14.8%
7	Davis	13.4%
8	Iron	13.1%
9	Uintah	11.8%
10	Cache	11.6%

Table 5
Educational Attainment for the Population 25 Years and Over

High School Graduates			Bachelor's Degree or Higher		
Rank	State	Percent	Rank	State	Percent
	United States	87.5%		United States	31.3%
1	Wyoming	93.2%	1	D.C.	56.8%
2	Alaska	93.1%	2	Massachusetts	42.7%
3	Minnesota	92.9%	3	Colorado	39.9%
4	Montana	92.8%	4	Maryland	39.3%
4	New Hampshire	92.8%	5	Connecticut	38.6%
			5	New Jersey	38.6%
12	Utah	91.7%	18	Utah	32.6%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2016 American Community Survey

Table 6
Largest Cities in Utah

Place	Census 2010		July 1, 2016	
	Rank	Population	Rank	Population
Salt Lake City	1	186,440	1	193,744
West Valley City	2	129,480	2	136,574
Provo	3	112,488	3	116,868
West Jordan	4	103,712	4	113,699
Orem	5	88,328	5	97,499
Sandy	6	87,461	6	95,836
Ogden	7	82,825	7	86,701
St. George	8	72,897	8	82,318
Layton	9	67,311	9	75,655
Taylorsville	10	58,652	12	60,436
South Jordan	11	50,418	10	69,034
Logan	12	48,174	13	50,676
Lehi	13	47,407	11	61,130

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Population Estimates Division

Note: From the 2010 Census to the 2016 estimates, South Jordan and Lehi moved higher in the population rankings. Taylorsville and Logan moved lower.

Table 7
Fastest Growing Cities in Utah (Population 10,000+)

2015-2016		
Rank	Place	Change
1	Herriman	14.7%
2	Bluffdale	8.3%
3	Eagle Mountain	7.0%
4	Saratoga Springs	6.0%
5	Heber	4.8%
6	Santaquin	4.7%
7	Lehi	4.6%
8	Grantsville	4.5%
9	Washington	4.4%
10	Hurricane	4.4%

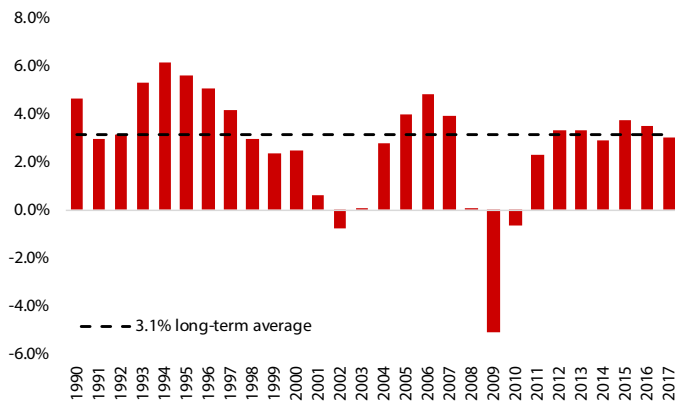
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Population Estimates

Census 2010-2016		
Rank	Place	Change
1	Herriman	62.4%
2	Bluffdale	55.4%
3	Saratoga Springs	51.2%
4	South Jordan	36.9%
5	Eagle Mountain	36.4%
6	Washington	35.1%
7	Heber	31.7%
8	Lehi	28.9%
9	North Logan	28.1%
10	Farmington	26.6%

Utah's Economy

- **2nd strongest job growth** – The Utah economy added 43,500 new jobs in 2017, an increase of 2.9 percent (only lower than Nevada, at 3.1 percent). This is a result of expansion in every major industrial sector.
- **Low unemployment** – Utah's unemployment rate dropped below 4 percent in 2014. This low rate has decreased even further, to 3.2 percent in November, 2017.
- **Largest employers** – Health care, education, and government entities made up eight of the 10 largest employers in the state. Intermountain Healthcare, the University of Utah, and the State of Utah were the three largest employers in 2016.
- **\$16.2 billion** – The state's budget for fiscal year 2018. Education receives 42 percent (both K-12 and higher education). Social services, the other major expenditure, receives 34 percent.
- **Diverse economy** – In 2017 trade, transportation, and utilities, government (including those working in education), and professional and business services provided the most jobs to Utahns in 2017.
- **Tourism** – A record number of visitors visited Utah's ski resorts and national parks in 2017. The state's leisure and hospitality sector saw 5.1 percent job growth between 2016 and 2017.
- **Construction** – Utah's construction sector posted the highest job growth in 2017 at 5.4 percent, fueled by robust residential and commercial activity.
- **Income** – In 2016, Utah's median household income was \$65,977. Median family income was slightly higher, at \$74,181. Only 16.2 percent of Utah households had retirement income, ranking Utah 45th in the nation.

Figure 3
Utah Annual Job Growth History



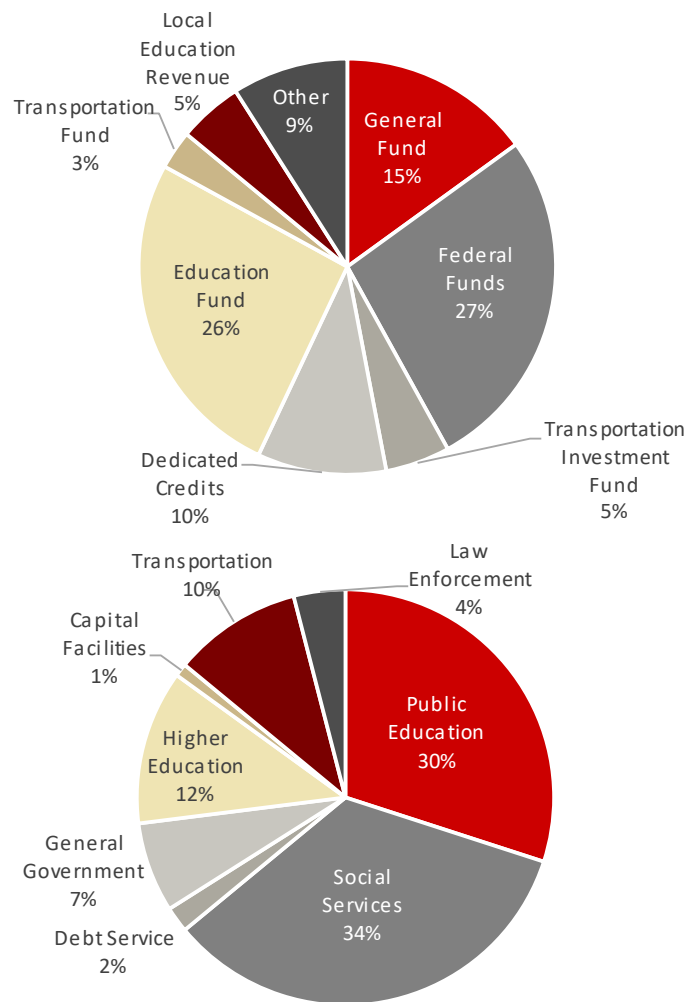
Source: Utah Department of Workforce Services

Figure 4
Utah Unemployment Rate



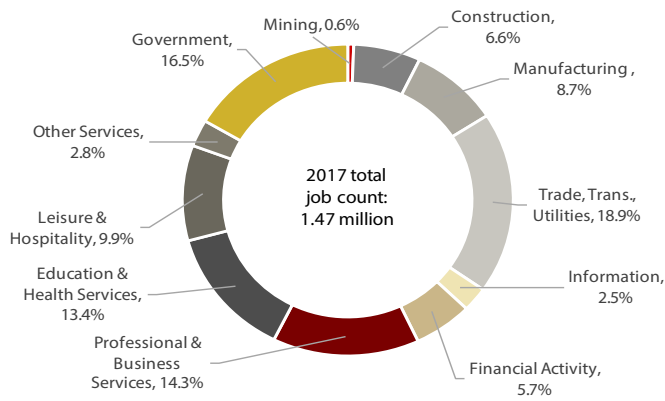
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Figure 5
Utah Budget by Fund Sources and Use: FY 2018



Source: Utah Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst

Figure 6
Total Utah Jobs



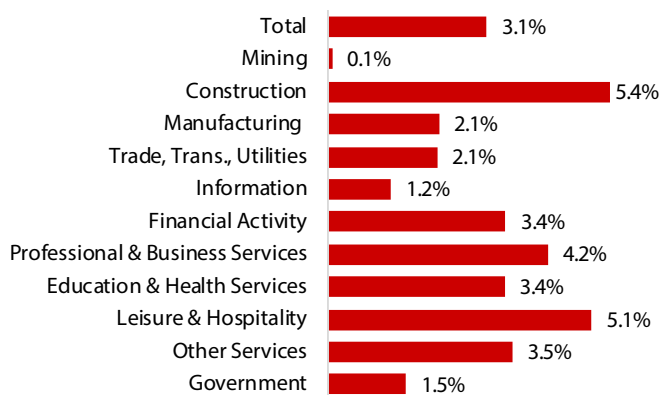
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Figure 7
Largest Employers in Utah, 2016

Rank	Company	Industry	Avg Annual Employment
1	Intermountain Healthcare	Health Care	20,000 +
2	University of Utah (including Hospital)	Higher Education	20,000 +
3	State of Utah	State Government	20,000 +
4	Brigham Young University	Higher Education	15-19,999
5	Wal-Mart Associates	Warehouse Clubs/ Supercenters	15-19,999
6	Hill Air Force Base	Federal Government	10-14,999
7	Utah State University	Higher Education	7-9,999
8	Davis County School District	Public Education	7-9,999
9	Granite School District	Public Education	7-9,999
10	Smith's Food and Drug Centers	Grocery Stores	7-9,999

Source: Utah Department of Workforce Services

Figure 8
Employment Growth in Utah, 2016-2017



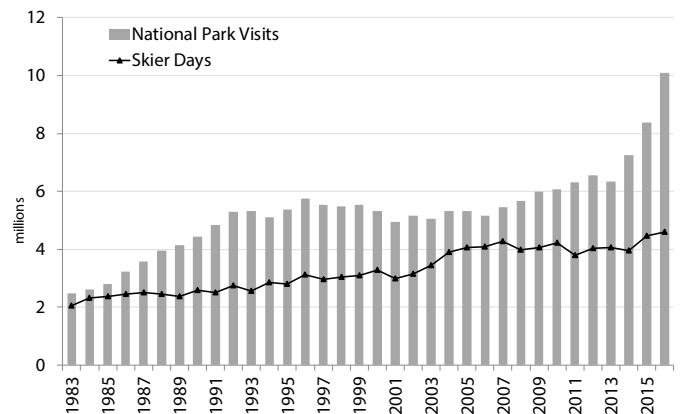
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Figure 9
Median Household, Family, and Nonfamily Income, Utah and United States

	Utah	U.S.
Household Income	\$65,977	\$57,617
Family households	\$74,181	\$71,062
With children under 18	\$73,486	\$68,011
Without children under 18	\$74,808	\$72,783
Married-couple families	\$81,946	\$85,290
Female householder, no spouse	\$40,462	\$35,380
Male householder, no spouse	\$55,887	\$49,599
Nonfamily households	\$37,404	\$34,963

Source: 2016 American Community Survey 1-year estimates

Figure 10
Utah National Park and Skier Days, 1983-2016



Source: U.S. National Park Service, Ski Utah

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