Utah County

Demographic
- Utah County is projected to have 1.6 million residents by 2065.
- The majority of growth is projected to be from natural increase rather than migration.
- Over the next 50 years, 37 percent of state population growth is projected to be in Utah County.
- School-age population is projected to double by 2057 from 144,330 in 2015 to 290,255.

Economic
- Share of state's personal income: 16.7%
- Retail trade is the largest industry, accounting for about 12.3% of regional jobs and 11.2% of state jobs.
- Share of state's agricultural GDP: 19.1%
- 10-year job gain accounts for more than a quarter of the state's total growth.

Land Use
- The total land area is 1,370,176 acres.
- 42% private land, 58% public land.
- 5.9% of the state's agricultural land is in Utah County.
- 207,800 acres of estimated buildable land.
The projected addition of more than one million people in Utah County by 2065 will result in some of the most significant growth opportunities and challenges of any area in the state. Among the most critical are the following:

- **Transportation investment** (roads, transit, and air transportation)
- **Water conservation, pricing, and infrastructure development**
- **Critical land conservation**, including some of Utah’s most prime agricultural lands
- **Public and higher education investment and innovation**
- **Health care reform and an aging population**
- **Further development of Silicon Slopes**
- **Housing affordability**
- **Cultural change**

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**Big Ideas**