

Welcome to

PRESCOTT ARIZONA

EVERYBODY'S

HOMETOWN

Your Complete Guide to Relocation in the Prescott Quad-City Area

Arizona's 1st Territorial Capital

Whether you are enjoying a round of golf or a stroll around the Courthouse Square, Prescott is sure to please visitors and residents alike.

Prescott, Arizona... "Everybody's Hometown" is so appealing not only because it is one of the most beautiful

places in the United

States, but because

of its small town

atmosphere. If

you prefer the

quaint nostalgia of

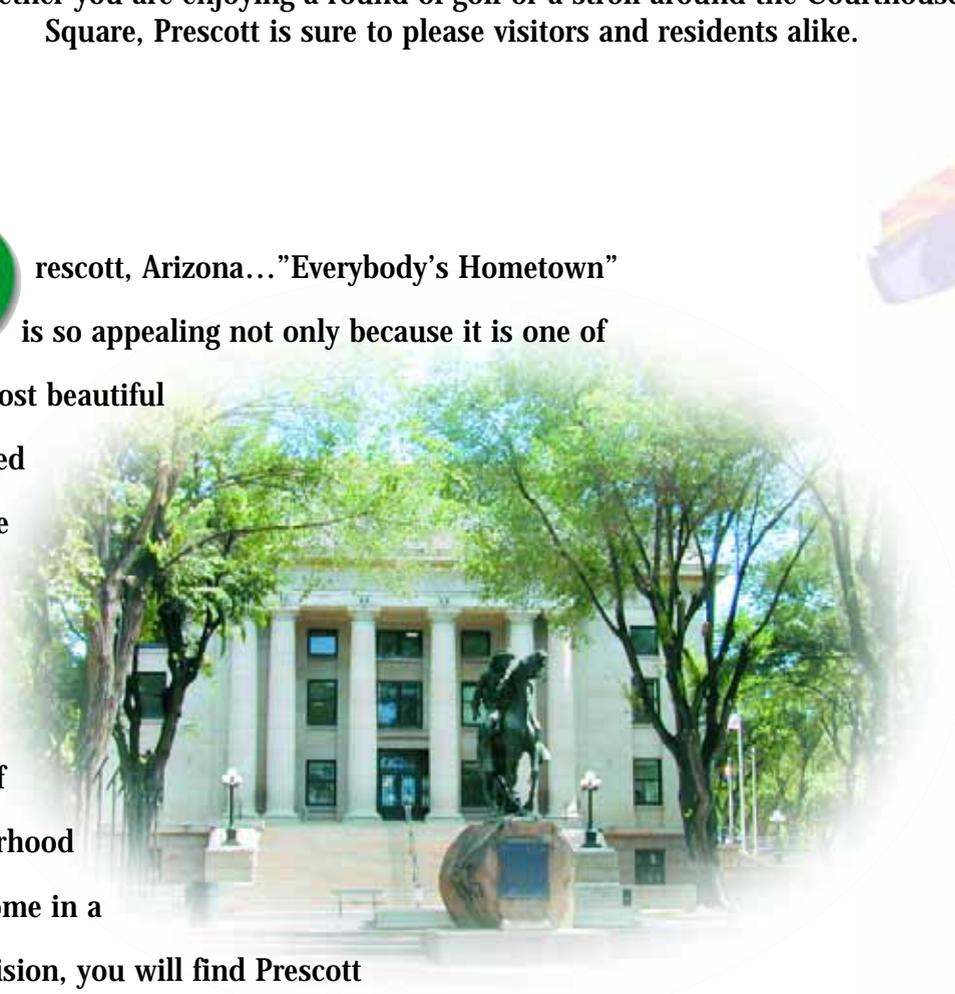
a historic neighborhood

or a brand new home in a

brand new subdivision, you will find Prescott

has it all. Let us take you on a journey through our wonderful

community; we're sure you will love it as much as we do.



Arizona's Christmas City

Back in 1954, when the very first Courthouse Plaza Christmas display was put up, certainly nobody had any idea it would turn into what it is today.

A tradition. People from all over the state gather on “The Square” in downtown Prescott to see this annual spectacular display that words really can't describe. It is a wonderful experience anyone from 1 to 101 would enjoy.



Among the many wonderful events taking place this time of year is Arizona's Largest Gingerbread Village at the Prescott Resort.

Open daily with free admission from mid-November through the end of December, be sure to schedule a viewing into your holiday entertainment.



Prescott Frontier Days®

No doubt about it, this is the wildest time of the year for Prescott. With the rodeo, parade, boot race, dance and (don't forget) Whiskey Row, everybody's hopping.

The World's Oldest Rodeo® began on July 4, 1888. Back then it was labeled as "Cowboy Tournaments" and the admission charged was used to help pay for prizes and meet other expenses. Nowadays the Prescott Frontier Days® Rodeo delivers top-notch entertainment, exciting sports competition and old-fashioned hospitality.



Rodeo photo courtesy of Prescott Frontier Days®, Inc.

The events held at the old Yavapai County Fairgrounds include saddle bronc riding, bareback bronc riding, bull riding, calf roping, steer wrestling, team roping, wild horse racing, WPRA barrel racing, specialty acts, bullfighters and barrelman clowns.

Held at 9:00 am on the Saturday morning of rodeo week, this is Arizona's second largest parade. Floats, horses, cars and bands make their way through historic downtown Prescott to the delight of many spectators. And don't miss the Whiskey Row Boot Race following the parade.



Whiskey Row, across the street from the Courthouse Square, is always a hot spot; but at this time of year it is simply *the* place to be. With shopping, dining and (of course) “whiskey holes”, you can spend all day there.

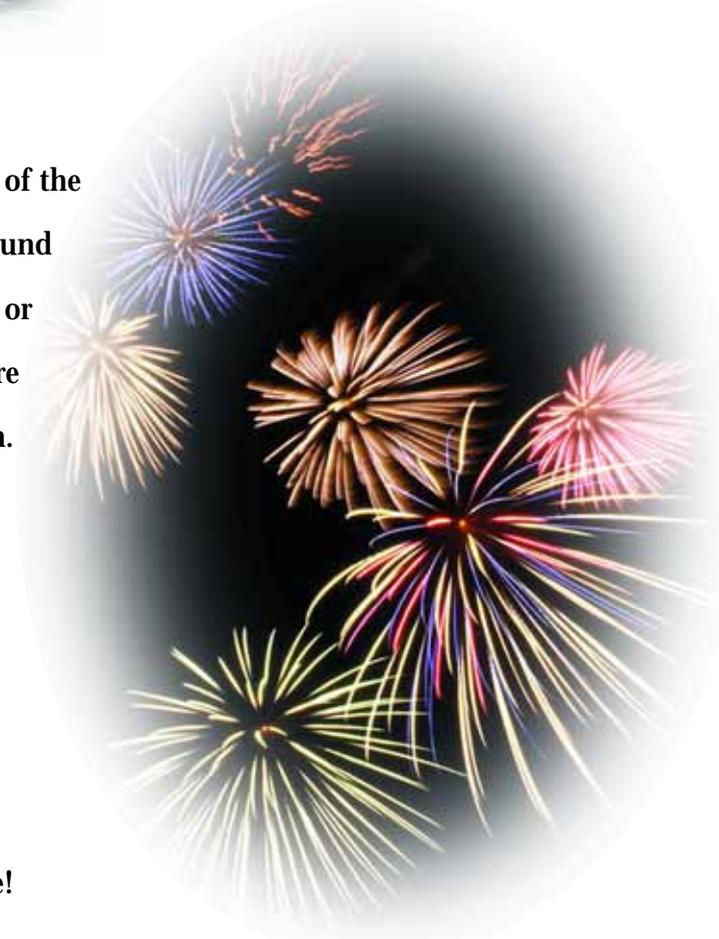


Show booths line all four sides of the Courthouse Square and offer some of the best browsing you'll experience.

The July 4th fireworks are definitely one of the events you don't want to miss. They can be found at Pioneer Park if you want a front row seat, or just park your vehicle and look up...you're sure to spot them as soon as the sun goes down.

Finish off one of your nights with the annual rodeo dance from 8:00 pm to midnight on the corner of Sheldon & Montezuma.

So don't pass Prescott by on Independence Day, you're sure to have one of the best times of your life!



Arts & Entertainment

From live theater to the big screen, the Prescott Tri-Cities area has something for everyone.

Prescott Fine Arts Theater, on Marina Street, is one of the many buildings on the National Register of Historic Places and just happens to be one of the most enchanting experiences you will have while in Prescott.



Another historic theater in Prescott is The Elks Theater.

Located on the main drag, Gurley Street, you will feel like you've stepped back in time when you enter this wonderful theater complete with balcony.

The Yavapai College Performance Hall has a very busy schedule. Everything from comedy shows to country concerts to symphony orchestras are on the roster; and hurry because it's usually a packed house.



The Sharlot Hall Museum explores the rich diversity of regional heritage through festivals, living history events and outdoor theater performances.



If your taste is more towards big action on the silver screen, then you will want to stop by Prescott Valley's new Harkins Theatre only 8 miles East of Prescott. With 14 screens, stadium seating and digital sound, you're sure to get your fill. And when the movie lets out, be sure to visit Prescott Valley's downtown

pedestrian area or catch dinner at one of the great restaurants close by.

Globe Theatre Frontier Village 10 on Highway 69 in Frontier Village has 10 screens and is close to many restaurants like Coco's, Golden Corral, Red Lobster, Applebee's and Outback Steakhouse.



Museums

Visiting one or all of the museums in our area can be an informative and relaxing event that the whole family can enjoy.

Founded in 1928 by historian, poet and local resident Sharlot N. Hall, the Sharlot Hall Museum occupies the site around the original Territorial Governor's Mansion, with three acres of beautifully maintained grounds. It is dedicated to providing educational adventures in human and natural history.



The vast history contained within the stone walls of the Smoki Museum is truly amazing. It houses irreplaceable collections of prehistoric and contemporary pottery, prehistoric jewelry, stone artifacts, Southwest basketry and kachinas.



The Phippen Museum contains an outstanding collection of historic artifacts and fine art by prominent Western artists, together with contemporary art depicting the American West by a variety of well-known craftsmen and artisans.



Golfing

*P*ractice your swing and your putt at one of the beautiful golf courses in the area. Here are a few...

*A*ntelope Hills Golf Course offers panoramic views of the surrounding mountains and is a championship 36-hole facility.



The Tom Weiskopf-designed Hassayampa Golf Course offers 18 holes, big mature trees, natural streams and significant elevation changes.



The Prescott Golf & Country Club offers 18 holes, breathtaking views & lush tree-lined fairways. Should make for a great round!



“Elevate Your Game” at Prescott Lakes Golf Club. Cool mountain air and lake views will surely bring something special to your game.



StoneRidge Golf Course is carved into the stone ridges and bouldered outcroppings of Prescott Valley and offers scenic views and more than 350' of dramatic elevation changes.

Parks & Recreation

Looking to have a picnic or go on a hike? How about catching a few fish or just watching the kids have a ball? Look no further...

Here are a few popular spots to let your hair down and have a little fun.



LAKES

Watson Lake on Highway 89 North; Willow Lake on Willow Lake Road; Granite Basin Lake off Iron Springs Road; Goldwater Lake on Senator Highway (Mt. Vernon Street); Lynx Lake off Walker Road; and Fain Lake in Prescott Valley south of Highway 69.

PARKS & HIKING TRAILS

A.C. Williams Granite Creek Park on Sixth Street; Willow Creek Park at the junction of Willow Lake and Willow Creek Roads; Heritage Park on Willow Creek Road; Pioneer Park off Willow Creek Road; J.S. Acker Memorial Park off Virginia Street; Thumb Butte Park off Thumb Butte Road; Fain Park in Prescott Valley south of Highway 69; Mountain Valley Park (including Mountain Valley Splash) in Prescott Valley off Robert Road; and Memory Park in Chino Valley on North Road 1 West.



Casinos

Come up to the cool pines of historic Prescott for fun and gaming at Bucky's and Yavapai Casinos.



off Highway 89, Bucky's Casino

is located within
the spectacular

Prescott Resort. Enjoy non-stop action on Bucky's 300 big-win slots and bingo. 24 hours a day, anytime is a great time for Bucky's Casino.



Just across the street from Bucky's Casino is Yavapai Casino, a favorite among Prescottonians. Yavapai Casino offers 175 exciting slots including Wheel of Fortune® progressives. Try your skills at Live Action Poker or see if you can win big at one of the Blackjack tables.



Heritage Park Zoo

See the wilder side of Prescott! This wonderful facility provides naturalistic homes for orphaned, injured and non-releasable wildlife.

The Prescott Animal Park Association was founded in 1985 as the parent organization for a zoo that would serve the people of Yavapai County, Arizona. The zoo, located on a 10 acre site in Heritage Park, opened its gate in 1988 as the Prescott Animal Park. In 1995 the name was changed to the Heritage Park Zoo. None of the indigenous animals in the collection were



acquired from native habitats unless injured or orphaned. The zoo also provides housing for selected exotic endangered species; all of which

were obtained as captive-born surplus from other zoos or similar facilities. The purposes, goals and mission statement were formulated early in the zoo's history. Today, it remains the same: to present the animals in the collection as ambassadors of their species in the education of the public regarding wild-life, emphasizing the importance of conserving habitat diversity; to promote conservation of the flora and fauna worldwide; to assist in rehabilitation of local wildlife; to provide a comfortable and positive atmosphere to the families of and visitors to the area for their recreation, enhancing the quality of life in

the community; and to participate in research projects aimed at increasing the knowledge of species' behaviors and habitats. In a slogan, the zoo's guiding premise is "Conservation through education".



Yavapai Downs at Prescott Valley

The \$22 million facility puts horse racing in the Prescott Tri-Cities area right up there with the big dogs. (uh, or, horses).

The new features at Yavapai Downs are numerous, to say the least.

But without a doubt, the most obvious and overdue element of change comes when racing upgrades to a standard one-mile oval, up from the half-mile track the Prescott Downs offered for decades.

The Downs includes 1,000 stalls for housing horses, up from the 700 offered at the old Prescott Downs.

The growth among available stables was necessitated after the owners of more than 1,500 horses applied for housing in the 700 Prescott Downs stables, which set a track record for applicants.

The new grounds also hosts the only enclosed equestrian facility in northern Arizona, which will enable Yavapai Downs at Prescott Valley to attract major events and horse shows of national significance.



Shopping

Something everybody likes to do...shop! You won't have any trouble finding what you need around here.

The Prescott Gateway Mall features a traditional indoor shopping experience with 50 stores, including Dillard's, J.C. Penney, Sears, and a food court. There is also an outdoor Village with 30 shops and restaurants with stunning views of the Bradshaw Mountains.



Located on Highway 69, you will find Frontier Village with big names like Home Depot, Target and Bashas'. Several restaurants are included to refresh you while you shop.





Off of Highway 69 between Prescott and Prescott Valley you will find a Wal-Mart Supercenter and Costco.

There are multiple galleries and shops downtown that offer antiques, books, gifts and jewelry among other things. Bashford Courts is right across from “The Square” on Gurley Street and provides shoppers with a unique experience. Parking is plentiful with the new public parking garage located just off of Gurley Street between “The Square” and Sharlot Hall Museum



Nearly every other week throughout the summer and fall, locals and tourists alike gather on “The Square” to browse through the various arts & crafts booths, antique fairs, food booths and the like.



Dining & Lodging

If you need to have a bite or take a nap, the Prescott Tri-Cities area offers some of the best.

No matter what kind of food you like, you're sure to find a restaurant that will please your palate. The Prescott Tri-Cities area offers western, southwest, family dining, ethnic dining, casual dining, fast food, fine dining, sport clubs, diners and cafés. Lodging, as well, is very versatile offering hotels, motels, condos, townhouses, lodges,

ranches, cottages, cabins, resorts, bed & breakfasts, RV parks and campgrounds.



The Prescott Brewing Company is home to many award winning beers and fine food. Located in the heart of historic downtown Prescott at the Bashford Courts.

Established in 1927, the historic Hassayampa Inn is a cool and inviting mountain oasis offering sixty-eight rooms...yesteryear charm combined with today's modern amenities.



Education

*H*igher Learning...the Prescott Tri-Cities area has a wide variety of educational establishments.

*Y*avapai College is a fully accredited college with two campuses – one in Prescott and one in Verde Valley. Extension sites are also in Chino Valley and Prescott Valley.



Prescott College is an independent, liberal arts college offering bachelor's and master's degrees, as well as teacher certification.

Embry Riddle Aeronautical University teaches the science, practice and business of aviation and aerospace. It is the oldest, largest & most prestigious University of its kind in the world.



Other colleges include North Central University and Northern Arizona University-Prescott. The Elderhostel Program is a great educational travel organization for adults 55 and over who have a love of adventure and learning. The Prescott Unified School District offers five elementary schools, two middle schools, one traditional (K-6) school and one high school. The Humboldt Unified School District serves Prescott Valley, Humboldt & Dewey and offers four elementary schools, two middle schools, one traditional (K-8) school and two high schools. The Chino Valley Unified School District offers two elementary schools, one middle school and one high school. There are also several charter and private schools available in the area including the prestigious Orme School.

Medical Facilities

*N*o matter what your medical needs, the Prescott Tri-Cities area will take care of you.

*Y*avapai Regional Medical Center (YRMC) is a full-service hospital with a state-of-the-art medical facility serving the communities of Prescott, Prescott Valley, Chino Valley and the surrounding area in north central Arizona.



The YRMC Del E. Webb Outpatient Center in Prescott Valley offers laboratory and X-ray services, among other medical services.

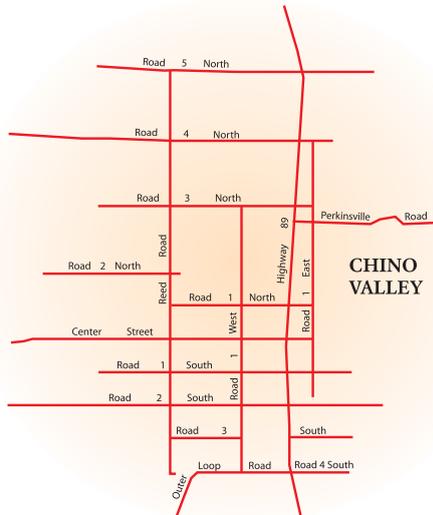


The VA Medical Center on Highway 89 in Prescott is one of the largest in the Southwest.



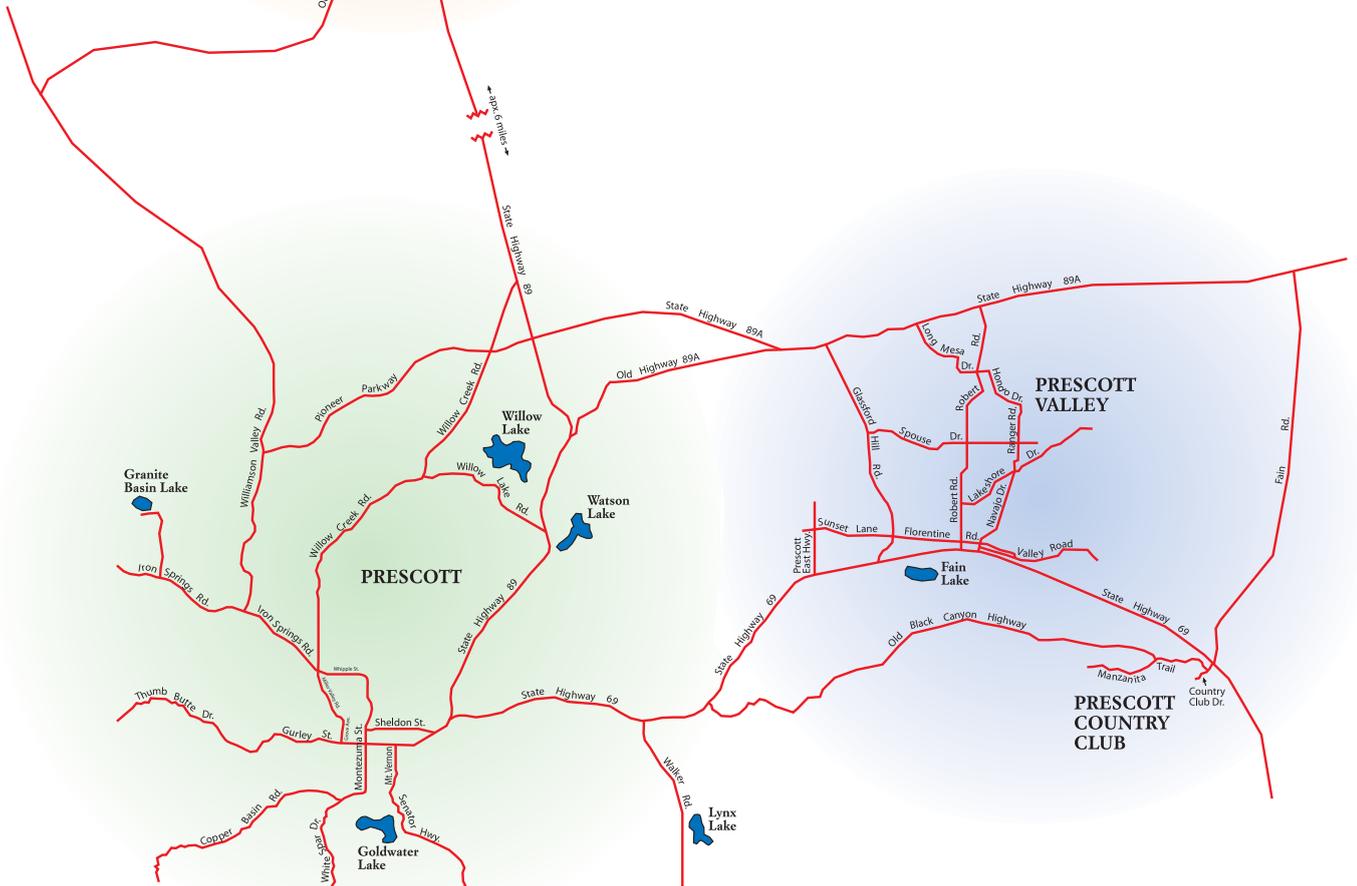
The Prescott Tri-Cities area also has 4 licensed nursing homes, over 150 practicing physicians, more than 40 dentists, 30 chiropractic physicians and a large number of opticians, optometrists and ophthalmologists.

Community Information



DISTANCE TO MAJOR CITIES

	(miles)
Albuquerque	400
Denver	780
Flagstaff	95
Las Vegas	268
Los Angeles	347
Phoenix	98
San Diego	410
Salt Lake City	610
Tucson	212



Community Information

I MPORTANT NUMBERS AND LOCATIONS

Utilities

APS (electricity)776-3636
 Unisource Energy Serv. (gas) ..445-2211
 FerrellGas (propane)445-3940
 Flame Propane445-3191
 Amerigas Propane636-9359
 Qwest (phone)(800) 244-1111
 Cable One
 (TV, phone & internet)445-4511
 City of Prescott
 water & sewer777-1291
 City of Prescott
 garbage collection777-1116
 City of Prescott Valley
 water & sewer759-3000
 City of Chino Valley
 public works636-7140

Emergency - DIAL 911 or...

Yavapai Regional Medical Center
 1003 Willow Creek Rd.445-2700

 Prescott Police Dept.778-1444
 Prescott Valley Police Dept. ...772-9261
 Chino Valley Police Dept.636-4223
 Yavapai County Sheriff771-3260

Prescott Fire Dept.445-5555
 Central Yavapai Fire District ..772-7711
 Chino Valley Fire Dept.636-2442

Government

Prescott City Government777-1100
 Yavapai County Government .771-3100

Motor Vehicle Division

Tri-Cities area777-5999

Chambers of Commerce

Prescott445-2000
 Prescott Valley772-8857
 Chino Valley636-2493

Post Offices

Prescott - Main ...422 Miller Valley Rd.
 Prescott101 West Goodwin
 Prescott Valley8307 E. Hwy 69, #1
 Prescott Valley6545 E. 2nd Street
 Chino Valley411 W. Road 1 North

Zip Codes

Prescott86301-86305
 Prescott Valley86312 & 86314
 Chino Valley86323

P OPULATION (2007 Estimate)

Prescott43,217
 Prescott Valley38,357
 Chino Valley13,098

C LIMATE

These are the average numbers for Prescott only.

<u>Month</u>	<u>Low</u>	<u>High</u>	<u>Rain</u>	<u>Snow</u>
Jan.	21	50	1.5"	6.1"
Feb.	24	54	1.5"	4.9"
Mar.	28	57	1.8"	5.1"
Apr.	33	65	0.8"	1.3"
May	41	73	0.6"	0.2"
June	49	84	0.5"	
July	57	88	3.2"	
Aug.	55	84	3.4"	
Sept.	48	80	2.0"	
Oct.	38	71	1.1"	0.2"
Nov.	28	59	1.5"	2.1"
Dec.	22	51	1.6"	4.7"



The Dells

Goldwater Lake



Watson Lake

ELEVATION

Prescott	5,347
Prescott Valley	5,100
Chino Valley	4,750

INCOME

Median Household Income

Prescott	\$37,869
Yavapai County	\$34,901
Arizona	\$47,265

MAJOR EMPLOYERS

Employer	# of Employees
Yavapai County	1,739
Yavapai Regional Medical Center ..	1,599
Prescott Unified School District	808
Wal-Mart	775
Veterans Admin. Medical Center	682
City of Prescott	501
State of Arizona	440
MI Better Bilt	425
Yavapai College	410
Embry-Riddle University	383
Yavapai Gaming Agency	366
Fry's Food & Drug Centers	359
Fann Contracting, Inc	279
Sturm Ruger & Co.	260

TAXES

<u>Property Tax Rate</u>	
Prescott Unified School District ...	3.74
City/Fire District	0.62
County	2.56
Community College	1.85
Total	8.77

<u>Sales Tax Rate</u>	
City	2.00%
County/State75%
County/State	5.60%
Total	8.35%

Source: Arizona Tax Research Foundation. Note: Property taxes in Arizona are per \$100 assessed valuation (10% of assessed value for residential; 25% of assessed value for business). [Note: Arizona has approved a reduction in business property tax of 1/2% each year for the next ten years.]

Prescott Valley

Since 1990, this community, one of Arizona's fastest growing, has gone from a population of 8,858 to more than 38,000!



Prescott Valley is located about 8 miles east of Prescott. Founded in 1966, this community lies between the Bradshaw and Mingus Mountains, 5100 feet above the desert plains. Pronghorn antelope still travel throughout the town in spite of its

Civic Center

tremendous growth. Nearby developments outside the town limits increase the population to 66,000, according to Prescott Valley Officials.



Commercial businesses are popping up in every direction with a heavy concentration along Highway 69. A new downtown, regional shopping center and cross-town highway will offer a variety of new opportunities over the next few years.



Prescott Valley has just completed a state-of-the-art sewage treatment plant, sewer system, roads project and natural gas lines that will take the community well into the 21st century. A third long range plan has been completed for this 27-year old community and a new police and court facility has been constructed, as well as the new Civic Center which includes the Town hall and Library.



Residents expect Prescott Valley to become a major city in the near future. However, town leaders say it will never lose its small town, friendly approach to people and business.

Chino Valley

Bring the horses! Yeah, it used to be considered a one horse town, but not anymore...



Chino Valley is nestled comfortably in the mountains of central Arizona, 15 miles north of Prescott, at an elevation of 4,750 feet. Chino Valley has a mild climate and four gentle seasons. We enjoy 300 plus days of sunshine every year, and have an average rainfall of 10.6 inches. The Chino Valley area supports a variety of vegetation. Spring is heralded by grand tulips and daffodils. The summer landscape is marked with bountiful vegetable gardens where corn, squash, and beans flourish.



Summer's harvest is celebrated at the annual corn dinner and dance held each Labor Day. Autumn's colors, enhanced by profuse evergreens native to the area, give a beautiful prelude to the mild winters.

Chino Valley's population growth rate from 1990 to 2000 was 62%. Current town residents number approximately 8,000. The town is blessed with clean air, good soil, and an abundant supply of pure water, proven to require no treatment. Local wells provide most of the drinking water. Average well depths range between 200 to 500 feet. The Chino Valley Irrigation District, a 1700 acre service area, provides water for agricultural purposes. Whether your dream is your own garden, a small farm or a large ranch, Chino Valley has the resources to support your desires.

