

# CAMP VERDE

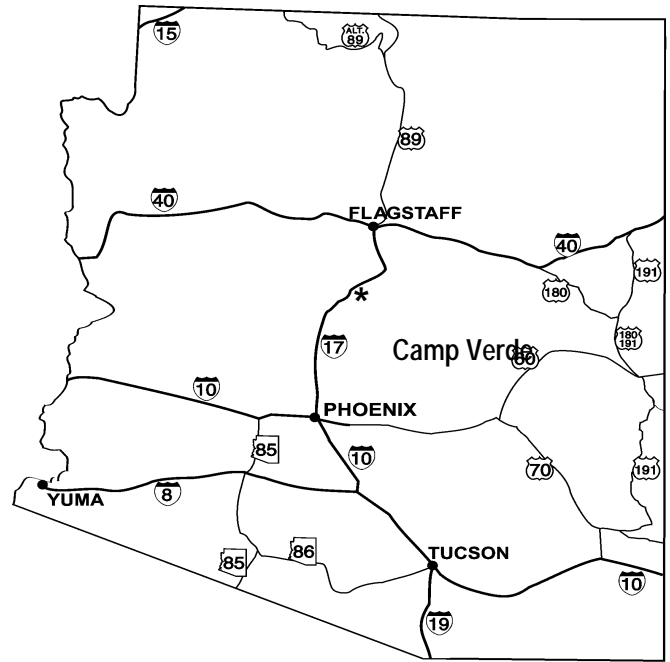
# Community Profile

## Prepared by the ARIZONA DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

Camp Verde is in the Verde River Valley of central Arizona. The community, oldest in the Verde Valley, was established in 1865 to protect settlers from Indian raids. Camp Verde, on the banks of the Verde River, is near the geographic center of the state of Arizona. The Fort Verde Historic State Park in Camp Verde contains military artifacts, Indian relics and articles used by the settlers and Indians. Four of the original adobe fort buildings still stand and are open to the public. The General Crook Trail, beginning at the Park and winding through the Mogollon Rim to Fort Apache, is a scenic drive of unsurpassed beauty along which can be seen the old mile markers on rocks and trees.

FOUNDED: 1865  
 COUNTY: Yavapai County  
 DISTANCE TO PHOENIX: 92 miles  
 HIGHWAYS: I-17; SR 260; SR 169; SR 179  
 ENTERPRISE ZONE AVAILABLE

INCORPORATED: Yes - 1986  
 ELEVATION: 3,160 feet  
 DISTANCE TO TUCSON: 205 miles



## POPULATION

|                | 1990      | 2000      | 2004      |
|----------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Camp Verde     | 6,243     | 9,451     | 10,585    |
| Yavapai County | 107,714   | 167,517   | 196,720   |
| Arizona        | 3,665,228 | 5,130,632 | 5,833,685 |

Sources: Arizona Department of Economic Security and U.S. Census Bureau.

## PRINCIPAL ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES

The major employment in the Camp Verde area is provided by construction, ranching, light-industry, trade and service, a casino, and the government. Attractions such as the Fort Verde Historic State Park, Montezuma Castle National Monument and Montezuma Well, as well as excellent hunting, fishing and recreational opportunities generate retail and service trade in the community. Camp Verde is also attracting increasing numbers of retirees who enjoy its mild, dry, four-season climate.

| County Employment                 | 2004   |
|-----------------------------------|--------|
| Educational & Health Svcs         | 8,100  |
| Financial Activities              | 1,900  |
| Government                        | 10,600 |
| Information                       | 700    |
| Leisure & Hospitality             | 7,400  |
| Manufacturing                     | 3,300  |
| Mining & Construction             | 7,200  |
| Other Services                    | 1,900  |
| Professional & Business Svcs      | 4,100  |
| Trade, Transportation & Utilities | 10,800 |

Sources: Arizona Department of Economic Security  
 Figures are organized under the North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS).

### Major Private Employers

|            |                     |
|------------|---------------------|
| Alco       | Bank One            |
| Bashas'    | Cliff Castle Casino |
| McDonald's |                     |

### Major Public Employers

|                                    |                                 |
|------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Camp Verde Unified School District | Town of Camp Verde              |
| US Postal Service                  | Yavapai County Justice Facility |

## LABOR FORCE DATA

|                      | 1990  | 2000  | 2004  |
|----------------------|-------|-------|-------|
| Civilian Labor Force | 2,249 | 3,574 | 4,261 |
| Unemployed           | 91    | 89    | 108   |
| Unemployment Rate    | 4.0%  | 2.5%  | 2.5%  |

Sources: Arizona Department of Economic Security.

| Growth Indicators           | 1990       | 2000       | 2004       |
|-----------------------------|------------|------------|------------|
| New Bldg. Permit            | 144*       | 252*       | 307*       |
| Taxable Sales (\$)          | 20,595,400 | 79,932,300 | 82,340,050 |
| Net Assessed Valuation (\$) | 22,114,763 | 40,291,373 | 54,125,745 |

Sources: Arizona State University; AZ Dept. of Revenue; AZ Tax Research Foundation  
 \*Incomplete Data: One or more months not available

## SCENIC ATTRACTIONS

Montezuma Castle Natl Monument contains some of the nation's best preserved cliff dwellings. Montezuma Well features a large natural limestone sink, whose waters were used for a network of prehistoric irrigation canals. The Castle is also headquarters for nearby Tuzigoot Natl Monument. Verde Valley is a fishing & hunting sport paradise. Beasley Flats, operated by the US Forest Serv, is a major starting point for Verde River trips. Local events include Ft Verde Days (Oct), Pioneer Days Gen Crook's Birthday (Sept), Cornfest (July), Pecan Wine /Antique Festival (Feb), Gun/Knife Shows (spring/fall) & the cultural Verde Valley Fair (May). Cliff Castle Casino, operated by the Yavapai-Apache Nation, attracts numerous visitors. Historic Ft Verde creates a living monument to Arizona pioneer days.

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## TAXES

| Property Tax Rate  | 1990           | 2000           | 2004          |
|--------------------|----------------|----------------|---------------|
| Elem/High School   | 6.58           | 6.24           | 4.59          |
| City/Fire District | 0.00           | 0.00           | 0.00          |
| Countywide         | 5.14           | 4.18           | 4.42          |
| <b>Total</b>       | <b>\$11.72</b> | <b>\$10.42</b> | <b>\$9.01</b> |

Sources: Arizona Tax Research Foundation  
 Note: Tax rate per \$100 assessed valuation.

\* Camp Verde Fire District rate is 2.18 for tax year 2004. NOTE: School district participates in the Valley Academy of Career and Technology Education (VACTE).

## Sales Tax Rate

|        |       |
|--------|-------|
| City   | 2.00% |
| County | 0.75% |
| State  | 5.60% |

Sources: League of Arizona Cities and Towns, Arizona Dept. of Revenue

## COMMUNITY FACILITIES

Camp Verde offers a broad range of community facilities, including a library, a museum, recreation center, a tennis court, several softball and football fields, skateboard park, a horse arena, a new community swimming pool and 18 acres of park land and picnic areas along the Verde River.

In addition, the Verde Valley Sanctuary has an outreach program in Camp Verde that offers a variety of community services.

### Educational Institutions

|               | Public | Private |
|---------------|--------|---------|
| Elementary    | Y      | Y       |
| High School   | Y      | Y       |
| Middle School | Y      | Y       |

### Financial

Number of Banks: 3

### Governmental Agencies

Fire Department: Local Fire Department

Law Enforcement: Town Marshal

**Airports** Rimrock, privately-owned, unpaved 2,500-ft. runway, no fuel

Montezuma Heights Air Park, private/paved strip, call ahead for lights

### Medical

One health care facility.

### Hotel and Lodging Facilities

Number of Rooms: 345

Meeting Rooms: 10

Capacity of Largest Facility: 525

## Industrial Properties

There are several sites available in the Camp Verde area. Some have utilities available with nearby freeway access. For additional information contact the Camp Verde Chamber of Commerce, or the Town of Camp Verde.

### Utilities

|             |                                   |              |
|-------------|-----------------------------------|--------------|
| Electricity | APS (Statewide)                   | 800.253-9405 |
| Natural Gas | All Star Propane                  | 928.567.6615 |
|             | Citizens Utilities - Gas Division | 928.753.5591 |
|             | Ferrell Gas Propane               | 928.567.3274 |
| Sewer       | Camp Verde Sanitary District      | 928.567.6794 |
| Telephone   | Qwest (statewide)                 | 800.244.1111 |
| Water       | Camp Verde Water System           | 928.567.5281 |
|             | Verde Lakes Water Corp.           | 928.567.4338 |

Cable Providers: Yes

Cable Internet Service Provider: Yes

Digital Switching Station: No

Fiber Optics: Yes

Internet Service Provider: Yes

## Weather

| Month      | Average Temperature (°F) |               | Average Total          |
|------------|--------------------------|---------------|------------------------|
|            | Daily Minimum            | Daily Maximum | Precipitation (Inches) |
| January    | 26.1                     | 59.9          | 1.05                   |
| February   | 29.2                     | 64.8          | 1.15                   |
| March      | 34.0                     | 70.5          | 1.20                   |
| April      | 39.6                     | 78.6          | 0.72                   |
| May        | 46.5                     | 87.9          | 0.33                   |
| June       | 53.9                     | 97.5          | 0.29                   |
| July       | 63.5                     | 101.1         | 1.43                   |
| August     | 62.5                     | 98.2          | 2.04                   |
| September  | 54.8                     | 93.4          | 1.58                   |
| October    | 43.0                     | 82.8          | 1.02                   |
| November   | 31.6                     | 69.0          | 0.88                   |
| December   | 26.1                     | 59.8          | 1.23                   |
| Yearly Avg | 42.6                     | 80.3          | 12.93                  |

Western Regional Climate Center, wrcc@dri.edu. Period of record 1938-2004. Average Total Snowfall 2.1". Nearest data available from Montezuma Castle N M, AZ.

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