

# Iron County

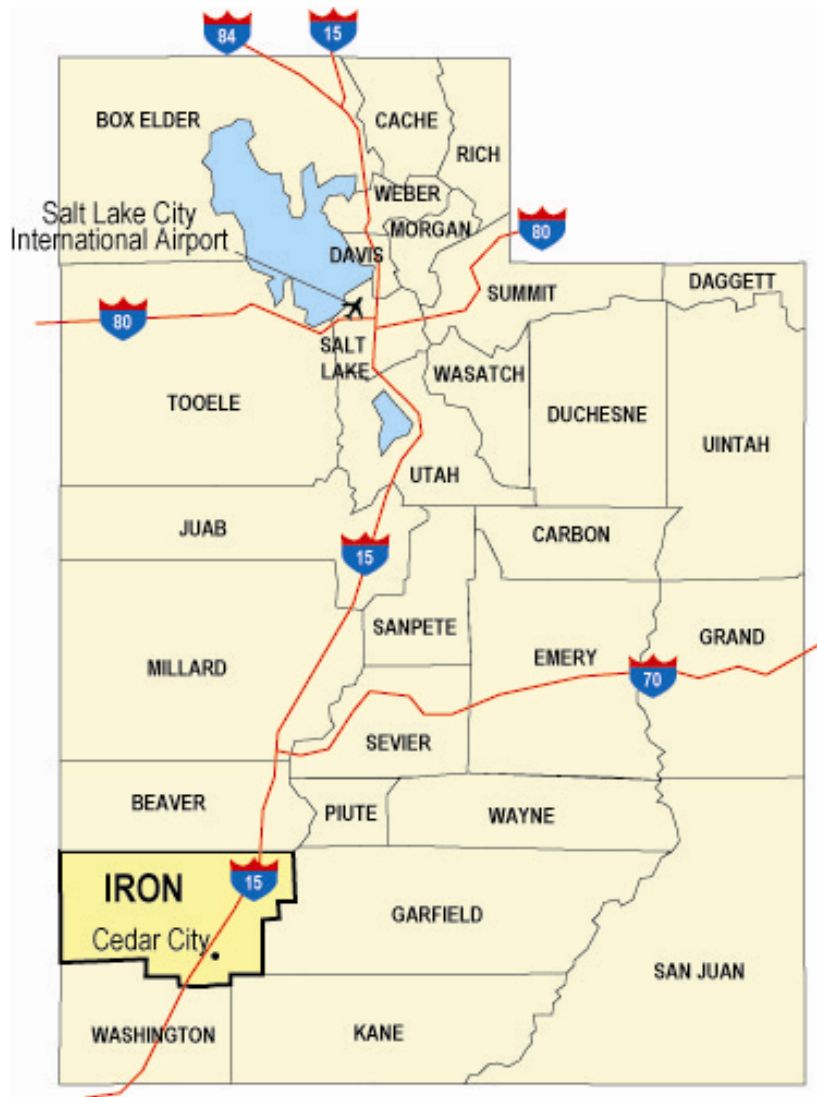
COUNTY PROFILE

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Iron County, located in southwestern Utah, is situated near the major transportation artery I-15. Cedar City, the largest city in Iron County, is 251 miles south of Salt Lake City and 171 miles north of Las Vegas. Parowan is the county seat.

## POPULATION

	2010 Population	Housing Units
Cedar City	29,086	9,918
Parowan	3,079	1,175
Iron County	46,636	15,765
State of Utah	2,849,876	882,958

Source: Decision Data Resources

## IRON COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

	2000 Census	% Change	2010 Estimate	% Change	2015 Forecast	
<b>Population</b>	33,779	38.06%	46,636	17.7%	53,620	15.0%
<b>Households</b>	10,627	48.35%	15,765	22.0%	18,859	19.6%
<b>Age</b>	<b>2000 Census</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>2010 Estimate</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>2015 Forecast</b>	<b>%</b>
0 to 4	3,166	9.4%	4,874	10.5%	5,488	10.2%
5 to 14	5,565	16.5%	7,816	16.8%	9,739	18.2%
15 to 19	3,851	11.4%	3,757	8.1%	3,689	6.9%
20 to 24	4,919	14.6%	5,064	10.9%	4,021	7.5%
25 to 34	4,219	12.5%	8,383	18.0%	10,490	19.6%
35 to 44	3,736	11.1%	4,667	10.0%	6,515	12.2%
45 to 54	3,266	9.7%	4,110	8.8%	4,349	8.1%
55 to 64	2,166	6.4%	3,392	7.3%	4,077	7.6%
65 to 74	1,634	4.8%	2,375	5.1%	2,812	5.2%
75 to 84	941	2.8%	1,592	3.4%	1,776	3.3%
85+	316	0.9%	608	1.3%	671	1.3%
Median Age	24.2		26.8		28.6	
<b>Ethnicity</b>	<b>2000 Census</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>2010 Estimate</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>2015 Forecast</b>	<b>%</b>
Caucasian	31,416	93.0%	43,480	93.2%	50,159	93.6%
African American	119	0.4%	157	0.3%	182	0.3%
American Indian or Alaskan Native	737	2.2%	926	2.0%	966	1.8%
Asian or Pacific Islander	343	1.0%	535	1.1%	648	1.2%
Some Other Race	600	1.8%	778	1.7%	872	1.6%
Two or More Races	1,383	4.1%	760	1.6%	793	1.5%
<b>Hispanic Population</b>	<b>2000 Census</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>2010 Estimate</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>2015 Forecast</b>	<b>%</b>
Hispanic	1,383	4.1%	2,649	5.7%	3,377	6.3%
<b>Household Income</b>	<b>2000 Census</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>2010 Estimate</b>	<b>%</b>	<b>2015 Forecast</b>	<b>%</b>
\$0 - \$14,999	1,853	17.4%	2,206	14.0%	2,341	12.4%
\$15,000 - \$24,999	1,911	18.0%	1,447	9.2%	1,305	6.9%
\$25,000 - \$34,999	1,839	17.3%	2,219	14.1%	2,401	12.7%
\$35,000 - \$49,999	2,118	19.9%	3,615	22.9%	4,435	23.5%
\$50,000 - \$74,999	1,664	15.7%	3,552	22.5%	4,686	24.8%
\$75,000 - \$99,999	673	6.3%	1,373	8.7%	1,822	9.7%
\$100,000 - \$149,999	426	4.0%	1,064	6.7%	1,484	7.9%
\$150,000 +	143	1.3%	289	1.8%	385	2.0%
Average Household Income	\$42,310		\$54,094		\$57,089	

Source: Decision Data Resources

## MAJOR RECENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Port 15 Utah, the West's preeminent business park for rail-served industries announced that Rocky Mountain Power (RMP) has completed an important link in Port 15 Utah's infrastructure. The new 30 Megawatt Substation is up and RMP is ready to meet manufacturers, commercial and warehousing demands.<sup>1</sup>
- Charlotte Pipe recently opened a new facility at Port 15 Utah. Today, Charlotte Pipe is the largest manufacturer of DWV pipe and fittings in the United States and operates one of the largest fittings molding facilities in the world. Cedar City is one of Charlotte Pipe's satellite pipe extrusion plants.<sup>2</sup>
- Sigurd to Red Butte No. 2 345kV Transmission Project; Due to a decade of economic prosperity and growth PacifiCorp, doing business as Rocky Mountain Power, has determined that the southwest Utah region will need additional capacity by 2014. To accommodate consumer and business growth PacifiCorp proposes to construct a new 345 kilovolt (kV) transmission line connecting the Sigurd substation to the Red Butte substation.<sup>3</sup>
- Cedar City, Iron County's largest city now offers a fully redundant fiber optics network. Area providers supply an open access fiber optics backbone for voice, video and data services on a completely new and diverse redundant network.<sup>4</sup>

## EDUCATION HIGHLIGHTS<sup>5</sup>

- Cedar City is home to Southern Utah University (SUU). The school offers many different programs for Associate's, Bachelor's and Master's degrees. People of the region look to SUU for skill development opportunities, major academic specialties, outreach services, cultural and athletic activities, economic and business development and regional archives.
- The Southwest Applied Technology College (SWATC) is located in Cedar City. This applied technology college campus provides opportunities for high quality statewide open-entry, open-exit, competency-based education. The SWATC has a current enrollment of 2,530 students and 264 total certificates during the 2006-2007 year.

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<sup>1</sup> Source: Iron County

<sup>2</sup> Source: The Spectrum

<sup>3</sup> Source: Salt Lake Tribune

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<sup>5</sup> Source: Utah State Office of Education, Southern Utah University

## MAJOR EMPLOYERS

Company Name	Number of Employees
Southern Utah University	1,000 to 1,999
Iron County School District	1,000 to 1,999
Intermountain Health Care	250 to 499
Wal-Mart	250 to 499
Convergys	250 to 499
State of Utah	250 to 499
Federal Government	250 to 499
Iron County	250 to 499
Brian Head Resort, Inc	150 to 249

Source: Iron County Economic Development

## IRON COUNTY NON-AGRICULTURAL EMPLOYMENT

Iron County has an unemployment rate of 9.1% as of December 2010.

Industry	2009	2010	% Change	Numeric Change
Mining	64	85	32.8%	21
Construction	936	774	-17.3%	-162
Manufacturing	1,397	1,342	-3.9%	-55
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	2,852	2,718	-4.7%	-134
Information	115	116	0.9%	1
Financial Activities	753	703	-6.6%	-50
Professional & Business Services	1,137	1,189	4.6%	52
Education, Health & Social Services	1,748	1,696	-30.0%	-52
Leisure & Hospitality	1,711	1,750	2.3%	39
Other Services	327	312	-4.6%	-15
Government	4,799	4,829	0.6%	30
<b>Totals</b>	<b>15,839</b>	<b>15,514</b>	<b>-2.1%</b>	<b>-325</b>

Source: Utah Department of Workforce Services, September 2009 to September 2010 data

## TAXATION

Total Property Tax Rate – Cedar City*	0.012572
Iron County	0.001993
Iron County School District	0.006793
Cedar City	0.003142
Central Iron County Water Conservancy District	0.000644
State & Local Sales & Use Tax (Iron)	5.95% - 7.85%
State Corporate Franchise Tax	5.00%

\*Primary residential property taxed at 55% of assessed value, commercial property taxed at 100% of assessed value.

Source: Utah State Tax Commission

## CLIMATE

Average Annual Precipitation	10.49 inches
Average Annual Snowfall	45.1 inches
Elevation	5,800 feet
Average July High Temperature	90.1 degrees
Average January Low Temperature	17.4 degrees

Source: Iron County

## RECREATION

Sight Seeing	Cedar Breaks National Monument, Zion National Park.
Events	Well known throughout Utah is the annual Shakespearean Festival in Cedar City that offers fun plays for the entire family. The Utah Summer Games, also in Cedar City, offers 40 different athletic competitions every summer for spectators and participants.
Skiing and Resort	Brian Head Resort offers skiing in the winter and other fun activities for summer such as biking and horseback riding.
History	Iron Mission State Park, Parowan Petroglyphs, and Daughters of Utah Pioneers Museum.

Source: Iron County

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EDCUtah specializes in assisting companies considering Utah for a business relocation or expansion. The corporate recruitment team of EDCUtah coordinates all of the information key decision makers and economic development/site consultants need as they evaluate Utah as a site location.

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