

Iron County

Population, Employment, and Income Profiles and Trends

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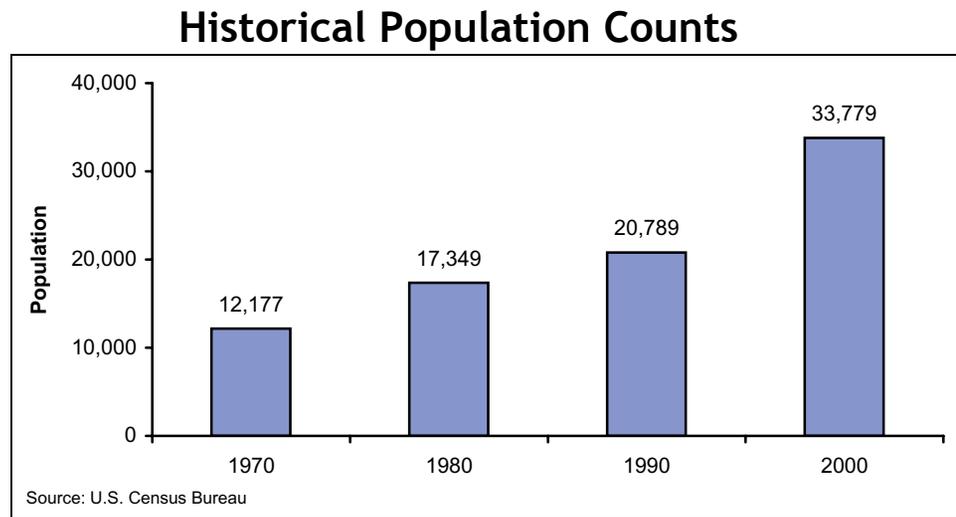


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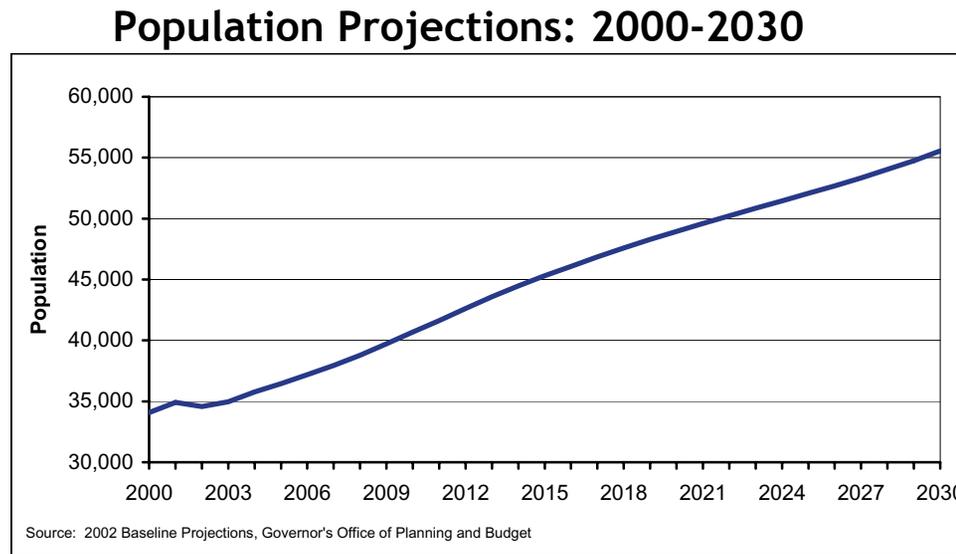
Historical Population Counts: 1970-2000 Iron County

Iron County grew 42% from 1970 to 1980, 20% from 1980 to 1990 and 62% from 1990 to 2000.



Population Projections: 2000-2030 Iron County

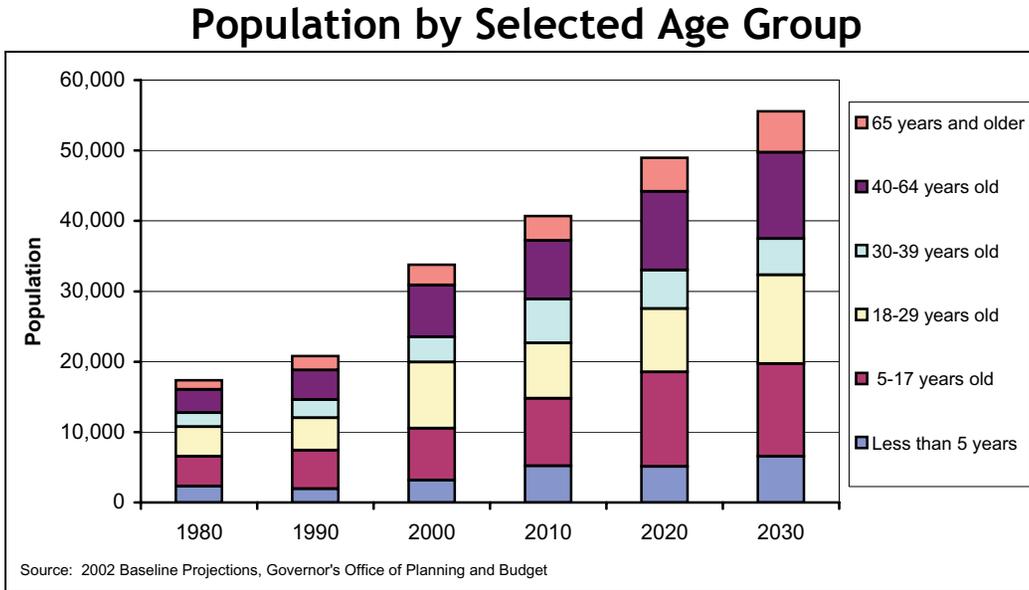
According to state projections, Iron County's population is expected to grow at an average annual rate of approximately 1.6% through 2030. Its 2003 population is estimated to be 36,310, exceeding projections.



Note: Official 2002 State projections were produced using the Utah Process Economic and Demographic Model, which utilizes demographic and employment projections.

**Population by Selected Age Group
Iron County: 1980-2030**

Since 1980, Iron County has experienced significant growth in the 18-29 and the 40-64 age groups. Through 2030, the 5-17 age group is also expected to see large population growth.



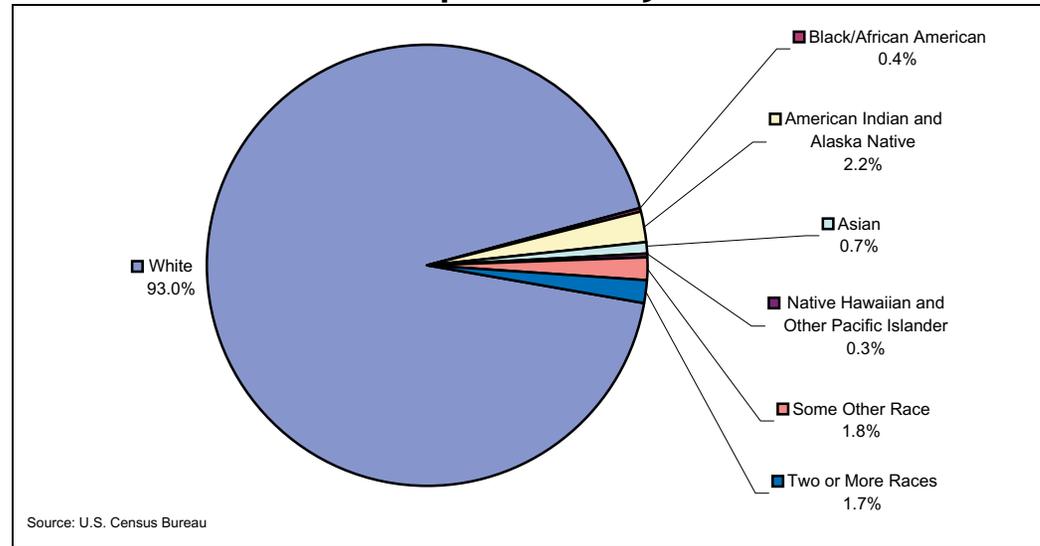
**5 Most Populous Cities
Iron County: 1990-2002**

Area	1990	2000	2002	Absolute Change	Percent Change
				2000-2002	2000-2002
Iron County	20,789	33,779	35,204	1,425	4.2%
Cedar City	13,443	20,527	21,427	900	4.4%
Enoch city	1,947	3,477	3,824	347	10.0%
Parowan city	1,873	2,573	2,549	-24	-0.9%
Paragonah town	307	470	464	-6	-1.3%
Kanarraville town	228	311	305	-6	-1.9%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

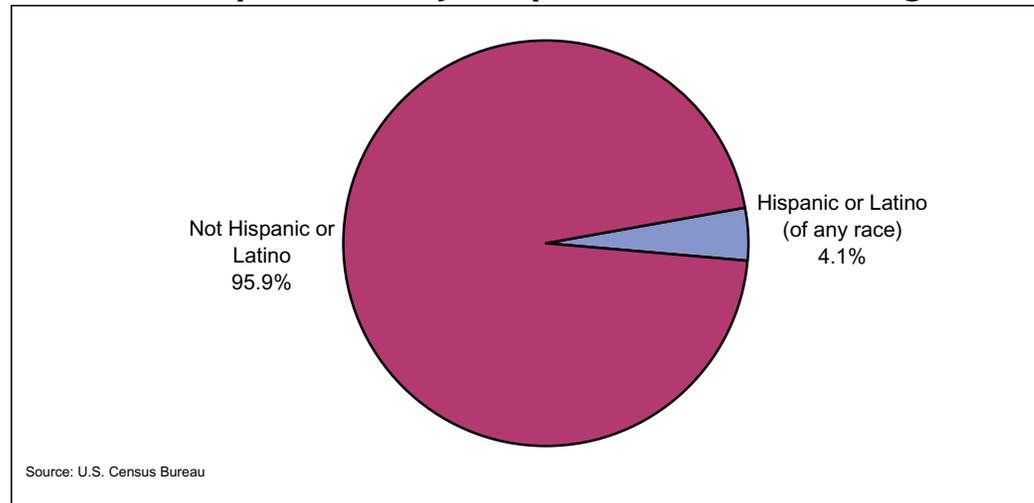
**Population by Race
Iron County: 2000**

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**Population by Hispanic or Latin Origin
Iron County: 2000**

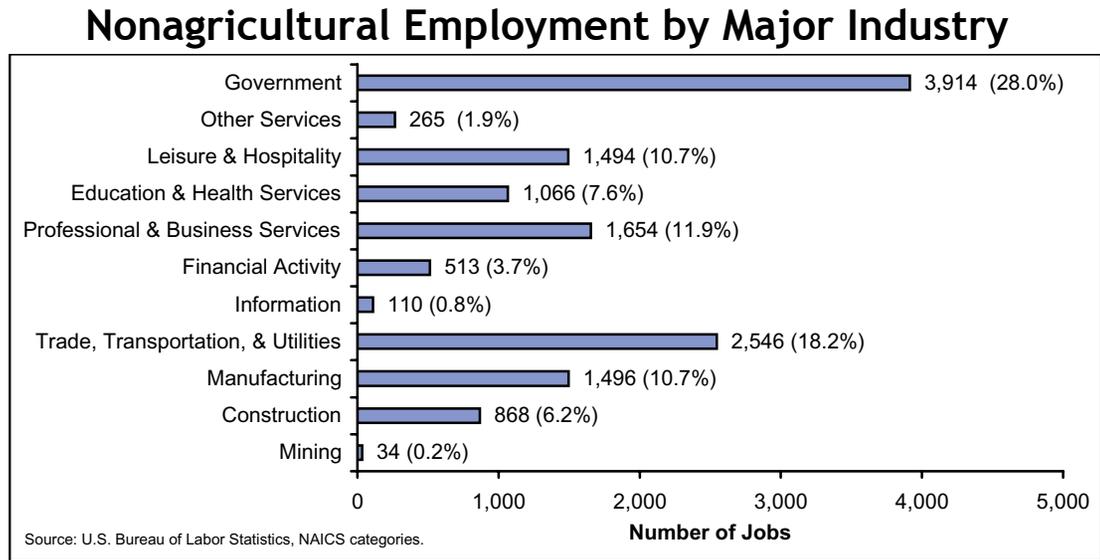
Population by Hispanic or Latino Origin



Note: Ethnicity is a different measure of heritage and an ethnic group can span different races. For example, a person of Hispanic origin may be classified as White, Black/African American or another race. Hispanic populations have historically been undercounted in the US Census, so this figure may contain inaccuracies.

Nonagricultural Employment by Major Industry: 2001 Iron County

Government is currently the largest industry in Iron County.

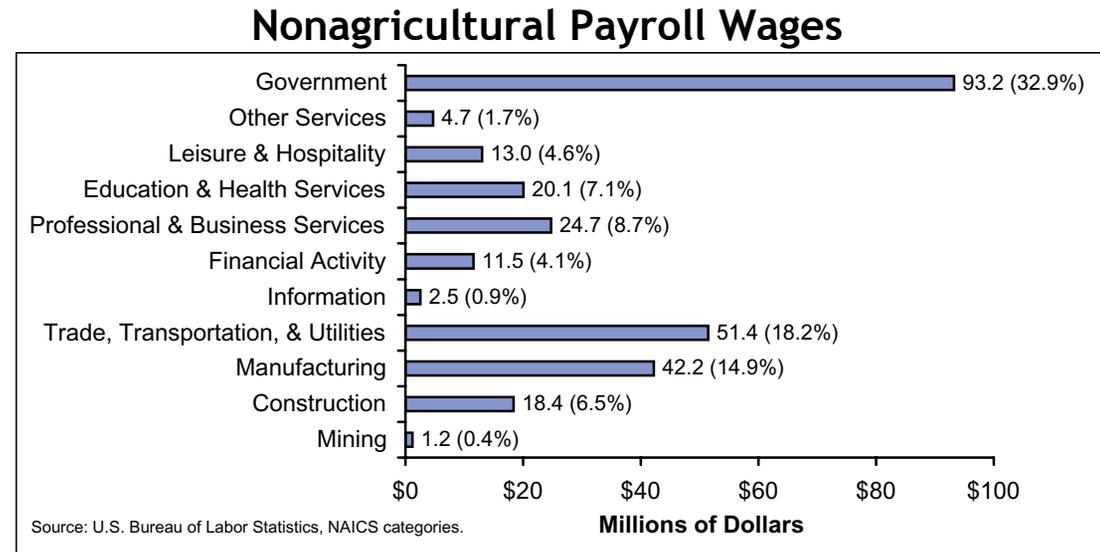


Note: Agriculture is not measured by the Bureau of Labor Statistics and is shown instead on p. 5.

Nonagricultural Payroll Wages by Major Industry: 2001 Iron County

Average Monthly Wages Statewide:

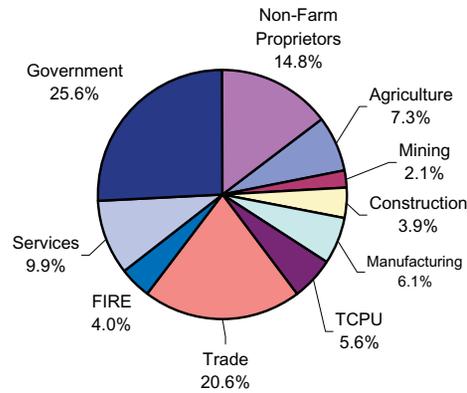
Government	\$2,653
Other Services	\$1,854
Leisure & Hospitality	\$1,115
Education & Health Services	\$2,294
Professional & Business Services	\$2,814
Financial Activity	\$3,139
Information	\$3,329
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	\$2,395
Manufacturing	\$3,068
Construction	\$2,563
Mining	\$4,122
Total Average Wage	\$2,510



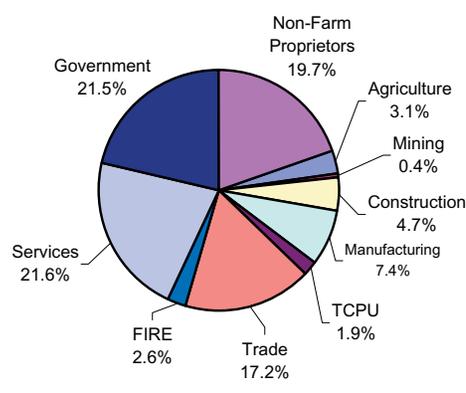
Iron County Employment by Industry: Past, Present, and Future

As a share of total employment, the Services sector has more than doubled, and is projected to increase its share in the Iron County economy.

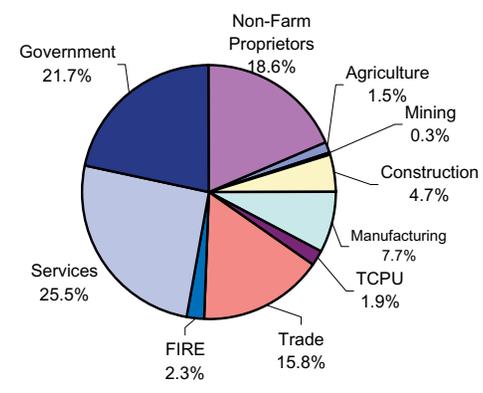
Historical Industry Share of Total Employment: 1980



Current Industry Share of Total Employment: 2002



Projected Industry Share of Total Employment: 2030



Source: 2002 Baseline Projections, Governor's Office of Planning and Budget, SIC categories.

Agriculture (Agricultural, forestry, and fishing services) includes all farming activity as well as businesses engaged in agricultural production, forestry, commercial fishing, hunting and trapping, and related services.

Mining includes the extraction of minerals occurring naturally, quarrying, well operations, milling, preparation at the mine site, and exploration and development of mineral properties.

Construction includes new work, additions, alterations, reconstruction, installations, and repairs of structures.

Manufacturing includes the processing of materials (products of agriculture, forestry, fishing, mining, and quarrying) into new products. Examples include food, textiles, mineral processing, lumber, wood products, furniture, paper, machinery, and appliances.

T.C.P.U. (Transportation, communications and public utilities) includes passenger and freight transportation, communications services, electricity, gas, steam, water and sanitary services and all establishments of the United States Postal Service.

Trade includes all wholesale and retail trade. Wholesale trade includes the selling of goods to retailers or other wholesalers. Wholesalers maintain inventories of goods, extend credit; physically assemble, sort, and grade goods in large lots, break bulk goods into smaller lots and advertise.

Retail trade includes the selling of goods for personal or household consumption and rendering services incidental to the sale of the goods. Examples include groceries, hardware, drug store, and other specialty stores.

F.I.R.E. (Finance, insurance, and real estate) includes business that operate in the fields of finance, insurance, and real estate, such as banks, investment companies, insurance agents and brokers; real estate buyers, sellers, and developers.

Services include businesses engaged in providing a wide variety of services for individuals, business, government, and other organizations. Examples include hotels; health, legal, engineering, and professional services; and educational institutions.

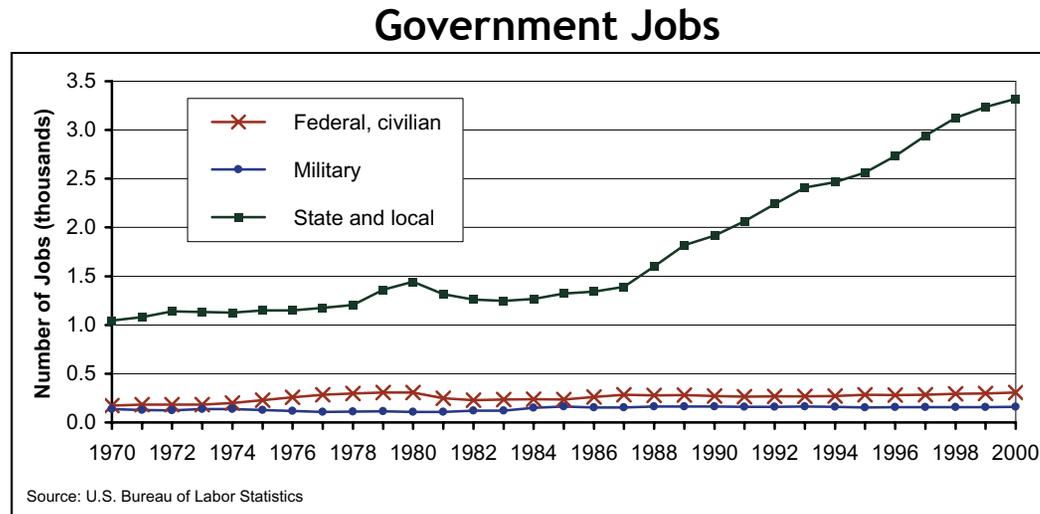
Government includes all Federal, state, and local government employees involved in executive, legislative, judicial, administrative and regulatory activities.

Non-farm proprietors include businesses that operate in a number of trades that are sole ownership or partnerships that have tax-exempt employees. Thus they do not have to report wages in the same manner as other businesses and are harder to categorize.

Source: Employment Sectors defined according to Standard Industry Classification Manual (SIC), 1987.

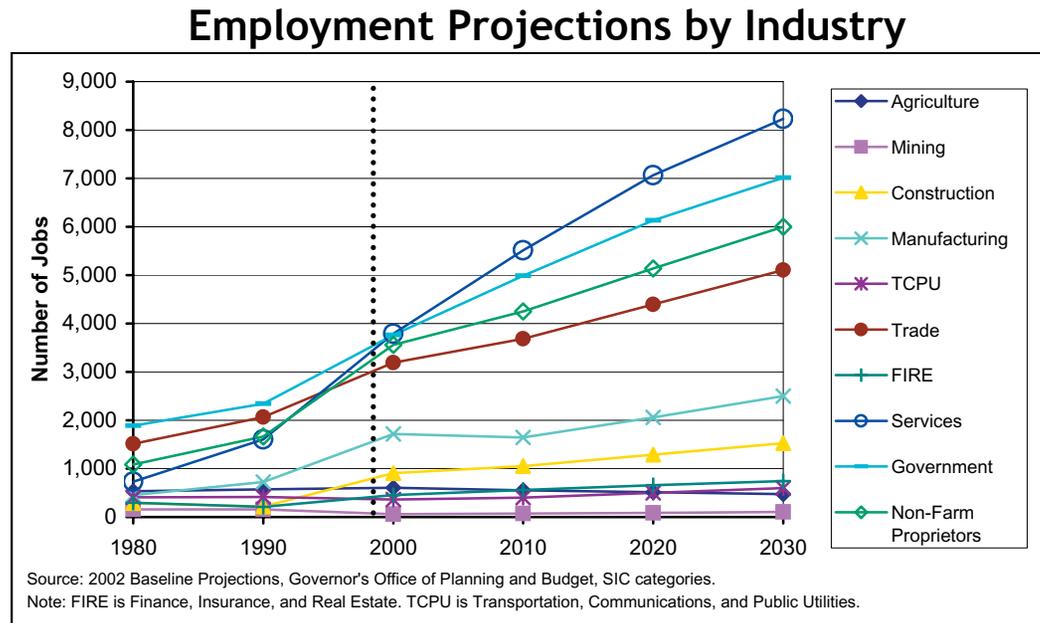
Government Jobs: 1970-2000 Iron County

Following national trends, growth in Government sector jobs has predominantly been at the state and local levels.



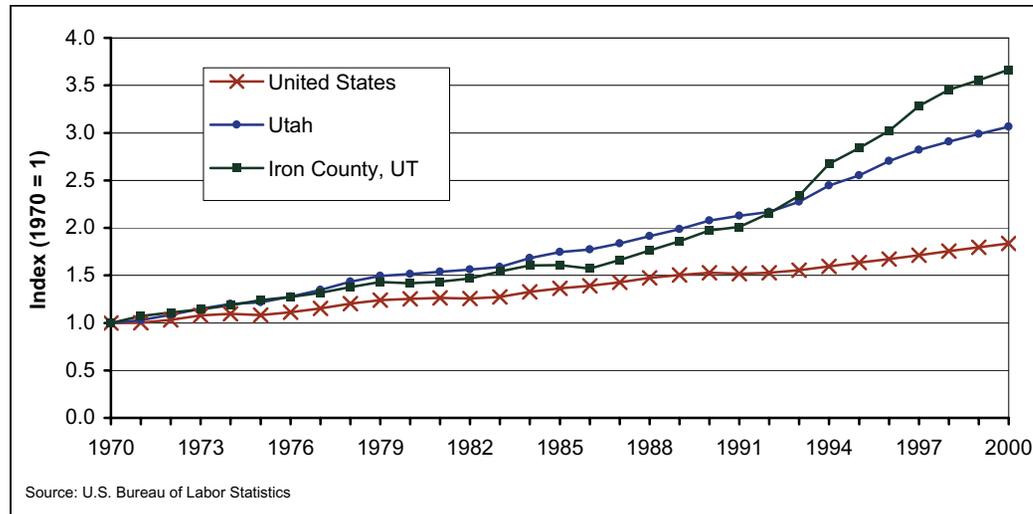
Employment Projections: 1980-2030 Iron County

The Services, Government, and Non-farm proprietors sectors are projected to create the most jobs in Iron County between 2000 and 2030.

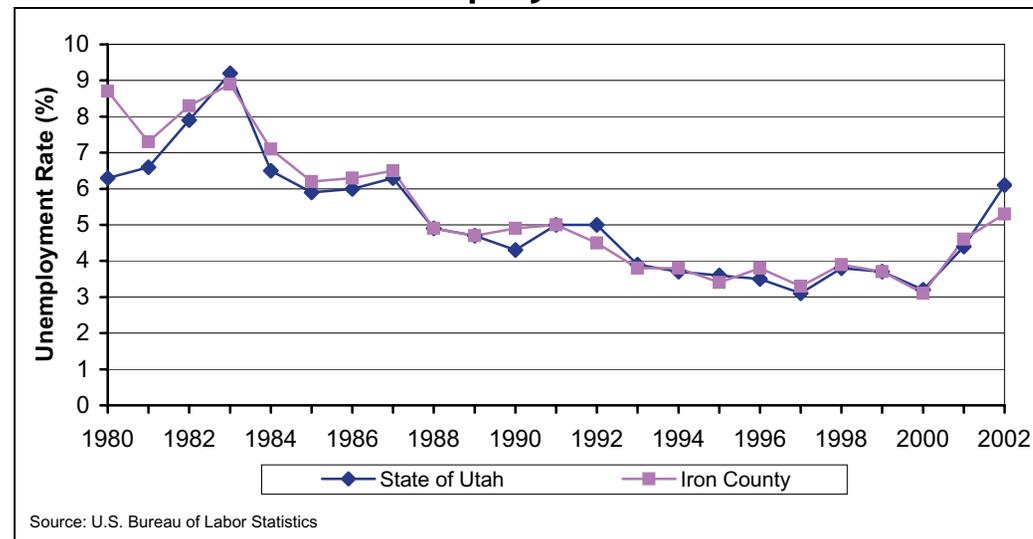


**Job Growth Rate: 1970-2000
Iron County vs. State vs. Nation**

From 1970 to 1993 Iron County grew at nearly the same rate as the state in job growth. Since 1993, Iron County has outpaced the state.



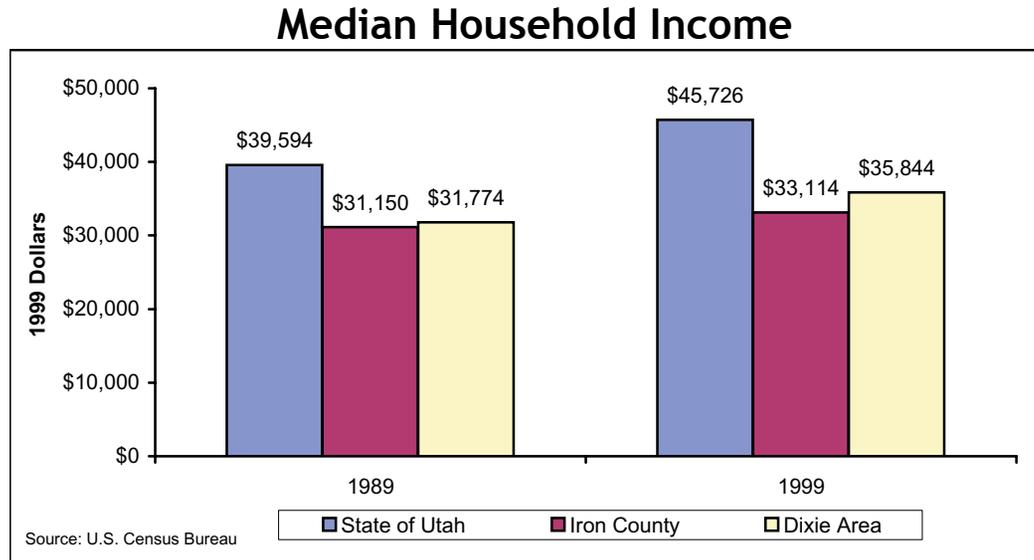
**Unemployment: 1980-2002
Iron County vs. State**



Median Household Income: 1989 & 1999 Utah vs. Iron County vs. Dixie Area

The median household income figures for Iron County were near the average of the Dixie Area in 1989 and lower in 1999.

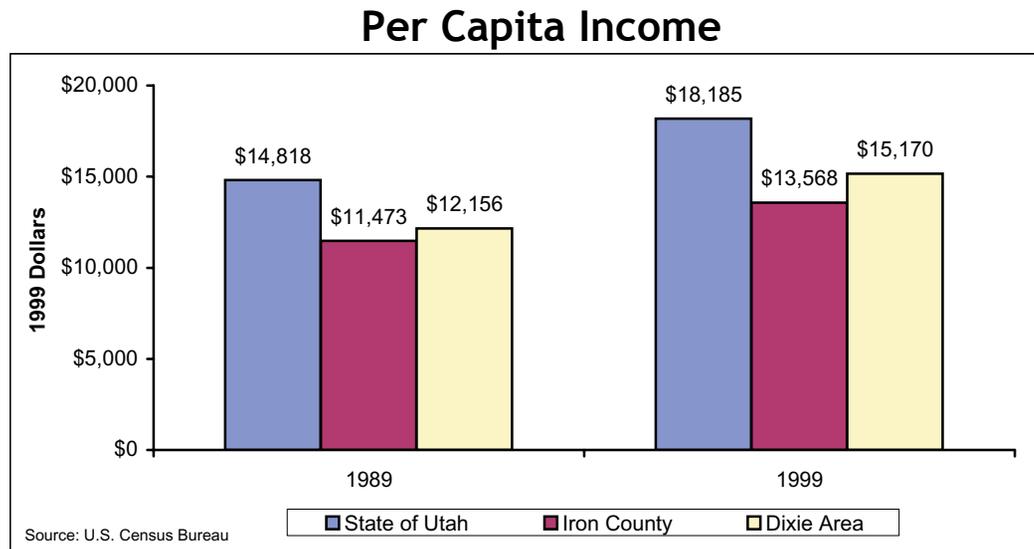
Note: The Dixie Area consists of Garfield, Kane, Iron, Washington, Wayne and Piute Counties.



Per Capita Income: 1989 & 1999 Utah vs. Iron County vs. Dixie Area

The per capita income figures for Iron County were lower than the average in the Dixie Area for both 1989 and 1999.

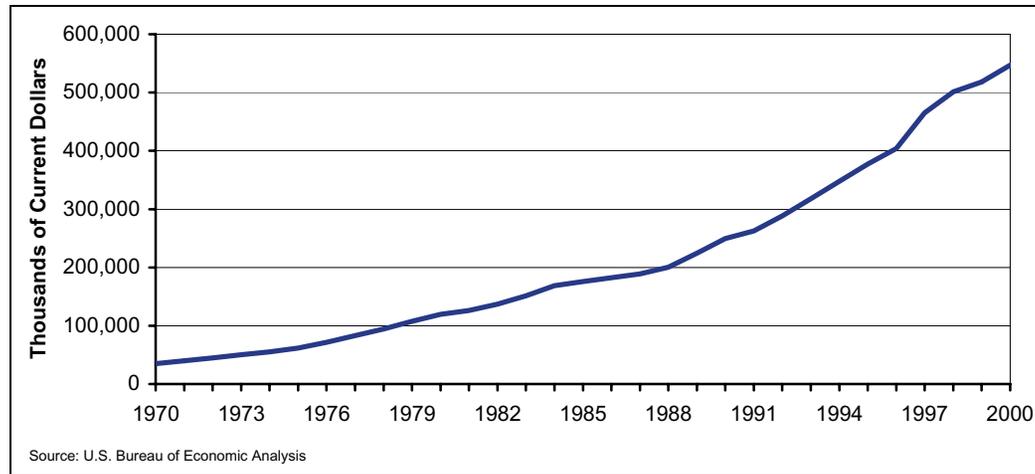
Note: 1989 income values have been adjusted to 1999 constant dollars by dividing 1989 dollar values by a deflator factor of 0.744298.



**Total Personal Income: 1970-2000
Iron County**

Personal income has been on the rise in Iron County for the past 30 years.

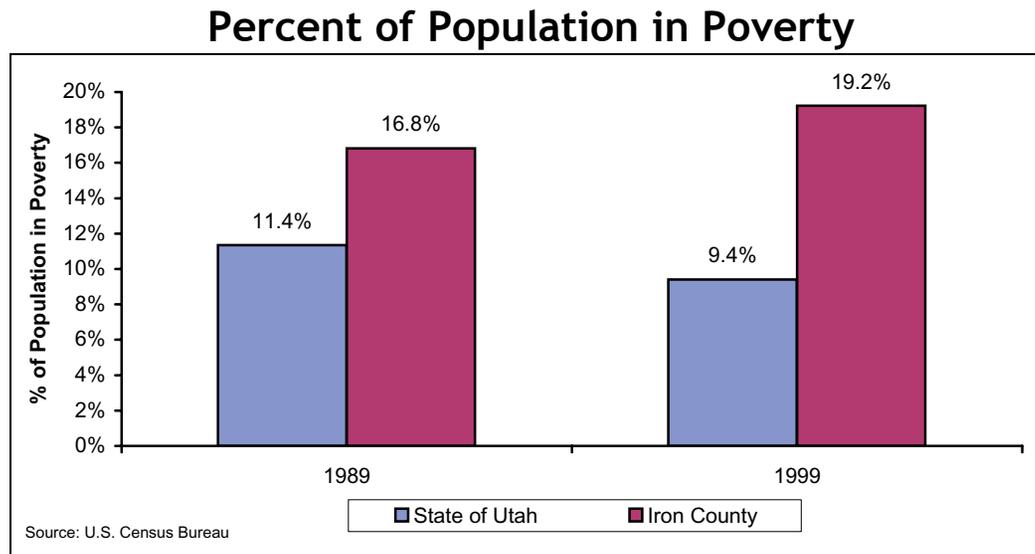
Note: These numbers have not been inflation adjusted. Total personal income is a measure of regional economic growth, comparable to the Gross Domestic Product.



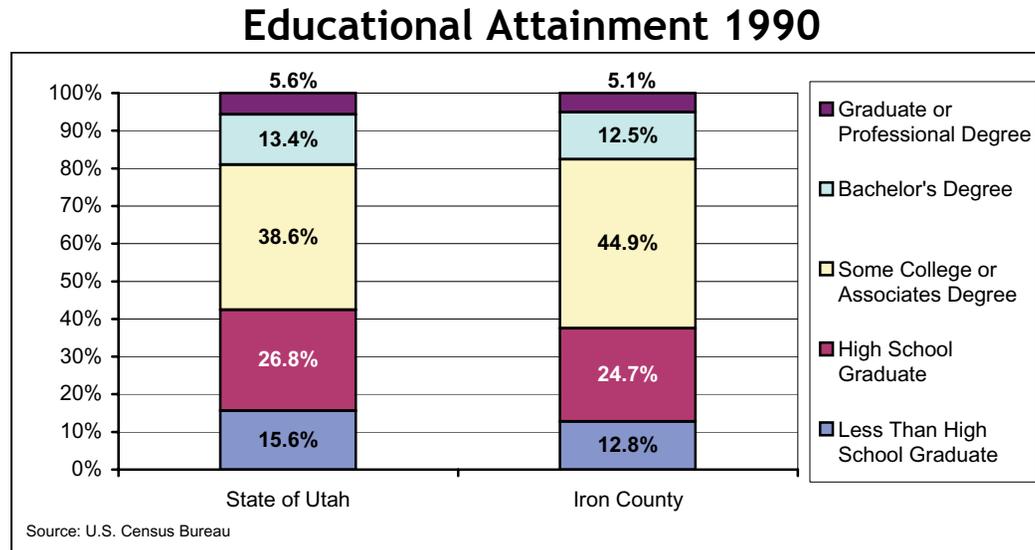
**Population in Poverty: 1989-1999
Utah vs. Iron County**

The percent of population in poverty was higher in Iron County than the state in 1989 and grew 2.4% in 2000 compared to a 2% decline in the state.

Note: Poverty is calculated by median household income to a nationally calculated "poverty threshold" for a family of 4 people, including 2 children. The poverty threshold in 1999 was \$16,895.

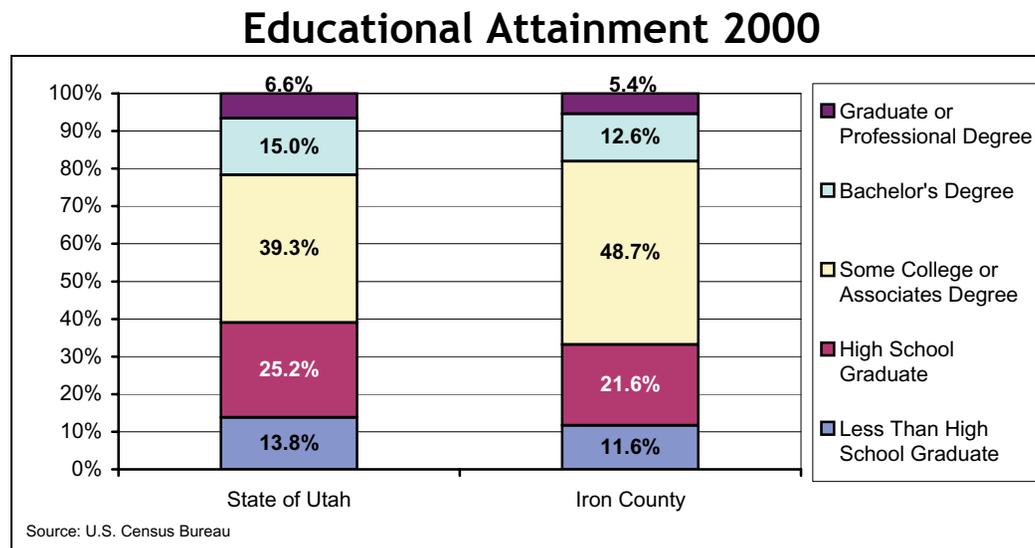


**Educational Attainment: 1990
Utah vs. Iron County**



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The percent of Iron County residents with a Bachelor's degree or higher stayed about the same from 1990 to 2000.



Note: Educational attainment figures are for the population 18 years and older.