

The town of Youngtown was founded as the nation's first retirement community in 1954 and incorporated as a municipality in 1960. From 2000 to 2010, Youngtown increased in population by 100 percent with the addition of the Agua Fria Ranch planned community. The town has evolved from a community of 80 percent 55 and older residents to one of 80 percent younger people. Families abound, and Youngtown is changing with the times.

Principal Economic Activities

Youngtown is home to more than 175 businesses, many of which have been active for 30 to 40 years. An additional 250 businesses located outside of the town add to the local economy. The town's main industries are health-based and include two pharmaceutical compound pharmacies, Women's International Pharmacy and Pet Health Pharmacy, in addition to LifeStream Complete Senior Living. A broad range of retail and service companies are located in the town's Grand Avenue, town center and Olive Avenue business districts. One of the primary features of the retail sector is the many golf cart companies located in the town center business district.

Scenic Attractions

Westgate City Center encompasses the iconic Arizona Cardinals University of Phoenix football stadium and Gila River hockey arena with vibrant, trendy retail and entertainment venues less than 10 minutes away. Baseball fans can enjoy Spring Training games with a 20 minute drive to Surprise Stadium - home of the Kansas City Royals and Texas Rangers or the Peoria Sports Complex, home of the Seattle Mariners and San Diego Padres.

Community Facilities

Originally designed to be a retirement community, the town boasts a lovely lake, seven parks and a distinctively designed town center named Clubhouse Square. The modern library is frequented by residents from throughout the northwest valley because of its friendly atmosphere and its lovely setting in Greer Park. At the core of the town's identity is the idea of being a community that honors its history, small town values, safety and community pride.



BASIC INFORMATION	
Founded:	1954
Incorporated:	1960
Elevation:	1,150 ft.
Location:	Maricopa
Distance to major cities:	
Phoenix:	15 miles
Tucson:	141 miles
Las Vegas:	270 miles
San Diego:	355 miles
Los Angeles:	373 miles

POPULATION			
	2000	2010	2023 (est.)
Youngtown	3,010	6,154	7,060

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SALES TAX / TRANSACTION PRIVILEGE TAX	
Youngtown	3.00%
Maricopa	0.70%
State	5.60%

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LABOR FORCE			
	2000	2010	2022
Civilian Labor Force	966	2,755	3,017
Unemployed	55	394	143
Unemployment Rate	5.7%	14.3%	4.7%

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WORKFORCE EDUCATION ATTAINMENT		
	Count	Share
Less than high school	912	19.6%
High school or equivalent, no college	1,715	36.8%
Some college or Associate degree	1,329	28.5%
Bachelor's degree or advanced degree	703	15.1%

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INDUSTRY (RANKED BY EMPLOYMENT)		
	Count	Share
Education, health care & social assistance	616	22.2%
Professional, scientific, & administrative services	410	14.8%
Retail trade	313	11.3%
Construction	256	9.2%
Finance, insurance & real estate	247	8.9%
Transportation, warehousing, & utilities	236	8.5%
Arts, entertainment, food & recreation services	226	8.2%
Other services, except public administration	143	5.2%
Manufacturing	115	4.2%
Public administration	101	3.6%
Wholesale trade	65	2.3%
Information	42	1.5%

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