

Community Profile for

Huachuca City



Huachuca City, known as the Sunset City, resides 64 miles southeast of Tucson alongside state Highway 90. The community originated as a stop on the now abandoned Southern Pacific Railroad between Tombstone and Patagonia. Huachuca City is located in the southeast corner of Arizona in Cochise County and is noted for its historical, recreational and scenic features. The rugged mountains and broad grassy valleys were once dominated by the Apaches, whose chief gave his name to the county. The struggle between the Chiricahua Apaches and the U.S. Cavalry is reflected in numerous sites throughout the county. The Chiricahua Mountains and Coronado National Forest are popular with nature lovers and hunters.

Principal Economic Activities

Huachuca City's economy is closely tied to the U.S. Army's Fort Huachuca. The fort serves as headquarters for the Information Systems Command, the Intelligence Center and School, the Electronic Proving Ground and the Communications Electronic Installation Agency. At 20 miles from Mexico's border, the city has potential for the twin plant industrial concept. The 40-acre Huachuca Commercial Center, which will create improved commercial and industrial sites, is currently under construction. Undeveloped land with city utilities available is abundant.

Scenic Attractions

Within an hour drive of Huachuca City, visitors can see the historic Cochise Stronghold where Cochise sought refuge from the U.S. Cavalry and is buried. Fort Huachuca, established in 1877 as a cavalry post to safeguard settlers, now has an excellent museum. Kartchner Caverns State Park is only 15 miles north of Huachuca City. The caves are voluminous and arrayed in gorgeous colors. Other attractions include the state historical museum, old Cochise County Court House and Amerind Foundation Museum with displays of Native American culture and artifacts. Agua Prieta, Nogales and Naco, Mexico offer shops, restaurants and night clubs.

Community Facilities

Huachuca City offers a range of community facilities including a community center that has a meeting room and kitchen, a library, a swimming pool and a senior center. The city offers four parks with a Little League field, practice fields, tennis and basketball courts and a soccer field. To the south of Huachuca City, Huachuca Recreation Area offers outdoor activities including water sports at Park Canyon Lake. Patagonia Lake is a favorite recreational site for residents and visitors.

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BASIC INFORMATION

Founded: 1954
Incorporated: 1958
Elevation: 4,275 ft.
Location: Cochise

Distance to major cities:

Phoenix: 190 miles
Tucson: 64 miles
Las Vegas: 474 miles
San Diego: 475 miles
Los Angeles: 553 miles

POPULATION

2000 2010 2023 (est.)

Huachuca City 1,751 1,850 1,626

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SALES TAX / TRANSACTION PRIVILEGE TAX

Huachuca City 1.50%
Cochise 0.50%
State 5.60%

Arizona Dept. of Revenue & Arizona Tax Research Foundation

LABOR FORCE

2000 2010 2022

Civilian Labor Force 783 987 860
Unemployed 52 150 68
Unemployment Rate 6.6% 15.2% 7.9%

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WORKFORCE EDUCATION ATTAINMENT

Count Share

Less than high school	121	9.0%
High school or equivalent, no college	400	29.6%
Some college or Associate degree	673	49.9%
Bachelor's degree or advanced degree	156	11.6%

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INDUSTRY (RANKED BY EMPLOYMENT)

	Count	Share
Retail trade	190	25.3%
Education, health care & social assistance	133	17.7%
Public administration	86	11.5%
Arts, entertainment, food & recreation services	80	10.7%
Professional, scientific, & administrative services	79	10.5%
Construction	60	8.0%
Transportation, warehousing, & utilities	37	4.9%
Manufacturing	29	3.9%
Other services, except public administration	22	2.9%
Finance, insurance & real estate	15	2.0%
Agriculture, forestry, fishing, hunting, & mining	8	1.1%
Information	7	0.9%
Wholesale trade	4	0.5%

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