Introduction

The Greater Antelope Valley

As one of the fastest growing regions in the United States, the Antelope Valley continued to prosper during 2002. With a growing, diversified business base that welcomed new companies such as Countrywide Home Loan, U.S. POle Company, Hyundai, Signature Fundraising, LoJack and others, the region experienced dynamic economic growth during a year of lackluster performance elsewhere.

Local companies such as American Carriage, Michaels Distribution Center, Walmart and many others expanded during the year providing thousands of new employment opportunities.

The resurgence in defense related work, the tremendous demand for housing in Southern California, and a rapidly expanding workforce continue to drive job growth to the Antelope Valley. These factors, along with a cost of living below the national average and local cities that were, once again, rated as among the lowest cost communities in which to do business, position the Antelope Valley well for 2003.

All of this means opportunity for companies with vision. This 2003 Economic Roundtable, produced by the Greater Antelope Valley Economic Alliance, tells the story about one of the most dynamic regions in the nation today. Come see what awaits you in Northern Los Angeles and Eastern Kern Counties. You may find your future.

Welcome to the Antelope Valley!

Kenneth Murtishaw
Chairman
Greater Antelope Valley Economic Alliance

Harvey Holloway
Chairman
Economic Roundtable Project

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Antelope Valley
Higher quality of life — for less!

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Demographics

AREA PROFILE

TOTAL POPULATION 438,261

Gender
Female 217,816
Male 220,445

Workforce
Civilian Workforce 187,025
Commuters 56,900

Median Age
North Los Angeles County 31.2
East Kern County 34.4

Linguistic Diversity
Primary English 71.8%
Primary Spanish 22.6%
Other 5.6%

Average High Temperatures
Day Night
February 63 35
May 81 50
August 96 63
November 66 38

Cost of Living
97.5% of the National Average

Improved Industrial Land
$2.00-$3.00 per square foot

Household Income
North Los Angeles County
Under $25,000 16.9%
$25-$49,999 24.6%
$50,000-$74,999 25.0%
$75,000+ 33.3%
Median Family Income $63,425

East Kern County
Under $25,000 25.9%
$25-$49,999 34.4%
$50-$74,999 23.0%
$75,000+ 16.6%
Median Family Income $46,623

Housing
North Los Angeles County
Home Owners 63%
Average Price $154,309
Affordability Index 68%
Median Apt. Rental $595

East Kern County
Home Owners 61%
Average Price $115,366
Affordability Index 78%
Median Apt Rental $547

POPULATION DETAIL

North Los Angeles County

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*change since 1990

East Kern County

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81% chg* | -8% chg* | 3% chg*

GROWTH FORECAST

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Total L.A. County and Kern County

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Sources: Southern California Association of Governments, Kern County Economic Development Corporation, 2000 Antelope Valley Labor Base Analysis.
Lancaster

"We Appreciate Your Business"

"We made the decision to build a new building in Lancaster. The advantage of being in the Enterprise Zone not only confirms the wisdom of our decision to build in Lancaster, but the state hiring tax credits of over $31,000 per eligible employee for us and our tenants will be a major benefit."

— Arnie Rodio, Jr.


2002 MILESTONES

- Countrywide opens regional center
- Signature Fundraising opens in Lancaster
- Avenue H overpass completed
- Rodio Building opens in Business Park
- Walmart opens second store in Lancaster
- Costco breaks ground on new store
- Starwood Expands Lancaster Center
- Sparkletts announces expansion
- Robert F. Chapman expansion begins
- Fairgrounds construction continues
- Mitsubishi expands

Elected Officials

Mayor Frank C. Roberts
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- Ed Sileo
- Andrew D. Visokey

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Population 123,147

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Median Age 31.3

Male 50.7%
Female 49.3%

Median Family Income $62,565

93536 $70,233
93535 $57,286
93534 $47,458

Public Safety

2001 Crime rate per 100,000 3,903
U.S. Average 4,160
1996-2001 crime drop 19%

Housing

2002 Avg. Price (existing) $138,965
Affordability (all homes) 68.8%
Housing Units 43,280
Homeowners 57%

WORKFORCE

Spanish Speaking 16%
Management/Professional 29%
Manufacturing/Transportation 23%
Retail 19%
Service/Office 16%
Construction 10%
Other 3%

EDUCATION

(25 & up)

Graduate Degree 6%
Less than H.S. 6%
B.A. 11%
Complete High School 40%
Some College 37%

Sources: Antelope Valley Labor Base Analysis, California Department of Finance, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Los Angeles County Assessor, City of Lancaster
Palmdale
“A Place to Call Home”

“The tremendous growth of the City of Palmdale can be attributed to its pro-business attitude and dynamic leadership. The Economic Development team continues to guide us towards the success of our development project. We are excited to be a part of its global business community.”

— Luz Mondenedo,
L & M Investments

2002 MILESTONES
- Sam’s Club breaks ground
- Volkswagen dealership breaks ground
- Northrop develops Aerospace Center
- U.S. Pole company opens
- Kaiser Permanente breaks ground
- Three new schools break ground
- Wal Mart and Big Five open in “The Place at 47th Street”
- New Transportation center breaks ground
- LoJack locates in Palmdale
- 10th Street West widening completed

Elected Officials
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Population 123,700
Hispanic 40%
White, Non-Hispanic 38%
African American 15%
Asian/Pacific Islander 5%
Native American 1%
Other 1%
Median Age 28.3
Male 49.2%
Female 50.8%
Median Family Income $68,757
93550 $61,725
93551 $81,549
93552 $71,687

Public Safety
2001 Crime rate per 100,000 3,529
U.S. Average 4,160
Crime decline, 1996-2001 25%

2002 Average Price (existing) $160,773
Affordability (all homes) 62.4%
Housing Units 39,746
Homeowners 66%

WORKFORCE
- Construction 24%
- Manufacturing/Professional 22%
- Retail 19%
- Service/Sales Office 17%
- Management/Transportation 10%
- Other 8%

Spanish Speaking 29%

EDUCATION
- Completed High School 42%
- Some College 38%
- Less than H.S. 11%
- B.A. 5%
- Graduate Degree 4%

Sources: Claritas, Inc, December, 2002, California Department of Finance, Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department, Federal Bureau of Investigation, Los Angeles County Assessor, City of Palmdale- CAWEA Research
California City
"Classic Desert Living"

"With assets combined such as strategic geographic location, cost advantages and pro-business government, California City provides unlimited opportunities for its citizens and businesses to grow and prosper."

— Percy Pitzen
Corrections Corporation of America

2002 MILESTONES

■ Hyundai to open California City facility
■ Nourish America to locate at Airport
■ Voters approve California City High School
■ Skilled nursing facility announced

Elected Officials
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Median Family Income
$51,215

Public Safety
2001 Crime rate per 100,000 3,781
U.S. Average 4,160

Housing
2002 Avg. Home Price $78,612
Affordability 86.6%
Housing Units 3,729
Homeowners 58%

WORKFORCE

Other 15%
Construction 38%
Retail 14%
Service/Sales Office 20%
Management/Professional 17%
Manufacturing/Transportation 10%
Spanish Speaking 10%

EDUCATION
(25 & up)

Graduate Degree 4%
Less than High School 5%
B.A. 8%
Completed High School 47%
Some College 36%

Sources: Claritas, Inc., December 2002, California Department of Finance, Employment Development Department, Federal Bureau of Investigation, City of California, Kern County Assessor’s Office, GAVEA Research.
Ridgecrest

"Where Ideas Soar and Business Grows!"

“Our company benefits substantially from being in Ridgecrest. Not only do we have the opportunity for contracts with the Navy base at China Lake, but the presence of so many highly skilled people allows us to hire great folks!”

— Beth Hays-Sumners
Quoin International, Inc.

2002 MILESTONES

- Ridgecrest Business Park breaks ground
- Cerro Coso College Library Expansion
- AtraOne Expansion begins
- High Desert Haven Expansion begins
- Valuation of building permits doubled in 2002

Elected Officials

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Daniel Clark

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Ridgecrest, CA 93555
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Population 25,500
White, Non-Hispanic 75%
Hispanic 13%
African American 4%
Asian/Pacific Islander 5%
Native American 1%
Other 2%
Median Age 35.8
Male 49.9%
Female 50.1%
Median Family Income $50,380

Housing
2002 Avg. Home Price $91,399
Affordability 85.9%
Housing Units 11,504
Homeowners 55%

WORKFORCE

Management/Professional 50%
Services/Sales Office 13%
Retail 15%
Manufacturing/Transportation 10%
Construction 8%
Other 4%

EDUCATION

Less than High School 4%
Graduate Degree 9%
B.A. 19%
Some College 38%
Completed High School 30%

Source: Claritas, Inc., December 2002, California Department of Finance, Federal Bureau of Investigation, City of Ridgecrest, Kern County Assessor’s Office, GAVEA Research.
Tehachapi*  
"The Land of Four Seasons"

"Tehachapi is pro-growth. So are we. We removed the barriers, the hassles, when we moved American Carriage from Los Angeles to Tehachapi in 1996. Tehachapi is a great place for a growing business. Even more important to me, Tehachapi is a great place for families and has given our team the opportunity to live the American Dream. Whether you calculate your relocation on price or teacher-student ratios, Tehachapi is a great place to live and work. We'd do it all over again."

— Mark Fechner  
President, American Carriage of America

2002 MILESTONES
- American Carriage Expands
- Woodward Sports comes to Tehachapi
- Highway 202 Expansion opens
- Goodrick Drive widening completed
- Business Park construction commences

Elected Officials
Mayor Mariana Teel  
Vice Mayor Philip Smith  
Councilmembers  
Deborah Hand  
Ed Grimes

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Tehachapi, CA 93561  
www.tehachapicityhall.org

*Includes the City of Tehachapi and surrounding communities in the 93561 zip code.

Population 29,484
- White, Non-Hispanic: 67%
- Hispanic: 22%
- African American: 6%
- Asian/Pacific Islander: 1%
- Native American: 1%
- Other: 3%
- Median Age: 36.6
- Male: 60.1%
- Female: 39.9%

Median Family Income $49,324

Housing
- 2002 Avg. Home Price $152,561
- Affordability: 68.3%
- Housing Units: 8,625
- Homeowners: 61%

WORKFORCE
- 6%
- 10%
- 16%
- 16%
- 16%
- 16%
- Spanish Speaking 23%

EDUCATION
- 29%
- 55%
- 4%
- 2%
- 8%
- 6%  
Completed High School

Sources: Claritas, Inc., December, 2002; California Department of Finance, California Employment Development Department, Federal Bureau of Investigation, City of Tehachapi, Kern County Assessor's Office. GAVEA Research.
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* Includes Military and civilian personnel living on or near the base.

Quartz Hill High School.

Mojave Airport.

Sources: Claritas, Inc., December 2002, GAVEA research.
### COMPARISON WITH OTHER CITIES

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(7) 2002 Kosmont Cost of doing business report.
(9) The percent of families in California, (2002 U.S. Census income data) able to qualify for the median priced home, (Claritas, December 2002). Assumes a fixed 30 year loan at 6.03%, (ARM index for Nov, 2002) and a 20% down payment.
(10) Part One Crime rate per 100,000 from 2002 Kosmont Cost of Doing Business Report.

This information includes sample Antelope Valley cities in all categories. More information on all area cities is available from the Great Antelope Valley Economic Alliance.
LARGEST EMPLOYERS

1. Edwards Air Force Base 5,750
2. Lockheed Martin 4,600
3. China Lake NWC 3,356
4. County of Los Angeles 3,200
5. Antelope Valley Mall 2,000
6. Palmdale School District 1,843
7. Antelope Valley Hospital 1,800
8. Walmart 1,784
9. Lancaster School District 1,558
10. CA State Prison 1,300
11. Northrop-Grumman 1,300
12. AV High School District 1,292
13. NASA/Dryden 1,200
14. Boeing 1,100
15. U.S. Borax 880
16. Rite Aid Distribution Center 880
17. Antelope Valley College 802
18. Westside School District 800
19. IMC Chemicals 720
20. High Desert Hospital 600
21. Sierra Sands School District 600
22. Lancaster Community Hospital 560
23. BAE Flight Systems 550
24. Kaiser Permanente 540
25. Anderson-Barrows 500
26. Federal Aviation Admin. 490
27. Rexhall Corporation 475
28. Countrywide Corporation 425
29. Lance Camper 400
30. Target Stores 380
31. City of Lancaster 350
32. Deluxe Corporation 350
33. Senior Systems Technology 350
34. Ridgecrest Regional Hospital 326
35. High Desert Medical Group 307
36. SAIC 280
37. TVET Services 275
38. City of Palmdale 275
39. Desert Haven 250
40. Symvionics 250
41. Starwood 230
42. Michaels Distribution Ctr. 230
43. Signature Fundraising 200
44. U.S. Pole 200

Source: 2002 GAWDA Research.

MAJOR INDUSTRIES BY WORKFORCE

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<td>3.1%</td>
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COMMUTERS

The Antelope Valley is home to thousands of people who have chosen to commute lengthy distances to work in order to have the home of their dreams and to provide their families with a high quality of life. These educated, highly motivated employees are from every background and occupation.

Antelope Valley Commuter Job Locations
- Santa Clarita 19,700
- East San Fernando Valley 6,600
- West San Fernando Valley 7,500
- San Gabriel Valley 1,500
- Downtown Los Angeles 7,500
- South Bay 1,500
- No fixed area 6,400
- Other Locations 6,200

Total 56,900

Commuter Survey indicated that:
55% of all commuters indicated that they would be "very likely" to change jobs in order to work in the Antelope Valley.

Bold indicates incorporated city.
*Refers to number of residents employed, not necessarily local jobs.

WORKFORCE

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<tr>
<th>Community</th>
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<td>770</td>
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<td>1,420</td>
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<td>3,390</td>
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<td>730</td>
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<td>Quartz Hill</td>
<td>4,990</td>
<td>4,780</td>
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<td>Other</td>
<td>54,370</td>
<td>50,721</td>
<td>6.7%</td>
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| **Total**          | **187,025**    | **174,969**              | **6.4%**          

THE COST OF DOING BUSINESS

The highly respected Kosmont Cost of Doing Business Study compares the cost of doing business in a wide range of cities throughout the United States which have populations of over 100,000. The study compares a number of costs imposed by local government such as business license taxes, gross receipt taxes, utility taxes, property taxes, fees and other costs that may apply.

Listed is the Kosmont 2002 Rating for Lancaster and Palmdale, along with a comparison with other popular business locations:

### Key Categories

1. Cost Rating (See legend at bottom)
2. Charges a Gross Receipts tax
3. Indicates rate of Utility Users Tax, if applicable. "No" indicates that the city does not charge this tax
4. Business tax rate comparison per $1,000 in Receipts

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### Cost Rating Legend

- **Low Cost**: The lowest possible rating. The most affordable communities in the nation;
- **Moderate Cost**: Cities that charge moderately high fees and charges;
- **High Cost**: Cities with high costs;
- **Very High Cost**: The highest possible costs. The most expensive cities in the nation in which to do business.

Source: Kosmont Cost of Doing Business Survey.
Examples of Savings

MANUFACTURING BUSINESS WITH 10 EMPLOYEES

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Assumptions: Company is a corporation. $50,000 of qualifying equipment purchased. Ten eligible full-time employees hired 1st year. Maximum 2002 hiring benefit applied ($10.13/hr.). Sales Tax rate is 8.25%.

MANUFACTURING BUSINESS WITH 100 EMPLOYEES

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<td>Year 6</td>
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Assumptions: Company is a corporation. Qualifying equipment purchased 1st year: $2 million. Qualifying equipment purchased 2nd year: $1 million. 75 eligible full-time employees hired 1st year, 25 eligible full-time employees hired 2nd year. Maximum 2002 hiring benefit applied ($10.13/hr.). Sales Tax is 8.25%. This example is intended as an illustration of the potential savings to businesses located within the Enterprise Zone. It is recommended that you obtain professional advice to determine the potential benefits.
PALMDALE/CALIFORNIA CITY

Foreign Trade Zone— (FTZ)

- Located in Palmdale and California City; Mojave Airport pending, (as of January, 2003). Flexible zone allows potential coverage in areas not currently covered.
- The Foreign Trade Zone continues to represent a competitive advantage for import/export companies operating in the zone.
- Trade authorities believe the zones will continue to have great value as an attractant to foreign investors seeking safe havens for capital.
- The FTZ arrangement mirrors the trend of multinational companies locating manufacturing and distribution centers closer to their markets.

Tax Liability in the FTZ

Being in an FTZ allows sophisticated manufacturers and importers to manufacture, assemble, process, store, test, re-label, re-pack or process imported materials without paying customs duties or government excise taxes. If the final product is exported from the U.S., there is no tax liability. Therefore, a company currently importing components for final assembly here will likely find significant being in the FTZ.

Among those benefits are:

- Duty reductions fall on the finished goods to a greater degree than the parts and components that make up the finished product.
- Duty rate reduced to the ZERO rate on the finished goods, down from the higher rates levied upon on the sum of the components.
- Flexibility and compatibility with international transshipment.
- Elimination of delays in customs clearances and duty drawback procedures.
- Discounts on cargo insurance rates due to FTZ security.
- Opportunity to hold merchandise subject to U.S. quotas until the quotas reopen.
- Elimination of duties on labor.

For information on ways in which the Foreign Trade Zone might benefit your company, contact Carrie Rogers, FTZ representative, at 661 267-5125.
BUSINESS/INDUSTRIAL PARKS

Lancaster

Fox Field Industrial Corridor
Location: Avenue H west of SR 14
Total: 885
Zoning: Medium/Light Industrial

North Lancaster Industrial Center
Location: Avenue H and Division St.
Total Acreage: 240
Zoning: Heavy Industrial

Lancaster Business Park
Location: Business Park and K-8
Total Acreage: 240
Zoning: Heavy Industrial

Enterprise Business Park
Location: Sierra Hwy and Avenue L-4.
Total Acreage: 74.02
Zoning: Office/Light Industrial/Retail

North Valley Industrial Center
Location: Avenue H-8 and Ave I
Total Acreage: 84.72
Zoning: Heavy Industrial

Palmdale

Airport Village Business Centre
Location: Sierra and Rancho Vista Blvd.
Total Acreage: 70
Zoning: Business Park/Mixed

Fairview Business Park
Location: Avenue 0 and Division St.
Total Acreage: 120
Zoning: Business Park/Mixed

Palmdale Industrial Park
Location: Avenue P and Sierra Hwy
Total Acreage: 35
Zoning: Mixed/Light Industrial

Freeway Business Park
Location: SR 14 and Avenue N
Total Acreage: 30
Zoning: Commercial

Sierra Business Park
Location: 10th West and Avenue M-4
Total Acreage: 22
Zoning: M-1

Sierra Gateway Park
Location: Ave 0-8 and Sierra Hwy
Total Acreage: 130
Zoning: Commercial

Palmdale Trade & Commerce Center
Location: 10th West and Rancho Vista Blvd.
Total Acreage: 746
Zoning: Industrial and Commercial

Antelope Valley Business Park
Location: 10th West and Avenue M
Total Acreage: 121
Zoning: Business Park

Lockheed Business Park
Location: Avenue M and Sierra Hwy
Total Acreage: 632
Zoning: Industrial and Commercial

California City

Airport Business Park
Location: California City Municipal Airport
Total Acreage: 40
Zoning: Industrial and Commercial

Mojave

Mojave Airport
Location: SR 58 and Flight Line
Total Acreage: 3,300
Zoning: Industrial and Airport Uses

Ridgecrest

Ridgecrest Business Park
Location: China Lake Bl. & Ward Avenue
Total Acreage: 63
Zoning: Professional/Light Industrial

Ridgecrest Industrial Park
Location: West Ridgecrest
Total Acreage: 81
Zoning: Light Industrial/Mixed

Tehachapi

Goodrick Business Park
Location: Dennison Rd Parkway/Goodrick Rd
Total Acreage: app. 50
Zoning: Mixed/Industrial

Capital Hills Business Park
Location: Capital Hills Pkwy/Mills Road
Total Acreage: 36
Zoning: Mixed
### RETAIL SALES

**Summary (in Thousands)**

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### Detail

**July 1, 2001 to June 30, 2002**

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*Sources: California Board of Equalization, Cities of Palmdale and Lancaster.*
**WATER**

*(Major Providers)*

**Antelope Valley East Kern Water Agency**
- Amount produced in 2002: 59,528 acre feet (49,780 m & 9,748 ag)
- Amount produced in 2001: 64,091 acre feet (42,200 m & 1,218,919 ag)
- State Water Project entitlement: 141,400 acre feet.
- Water Quality Report: [www.avek.org](http://www.avek.org)
- Pumping Plants Capacity: 93 million gallons per day (capable of serving 401,000 people)

**Palmdale Water District**
- Amount produced in 2002: 25,668 acre feet
- Total amount in 2001: 25,242 acre feet
- Amount of state entitlement: 21,300 acre feet
- 2002 Customers Served: 23,311
- Water Quality Report: [www.palmdalewater.org](http://www.palmdalewater.org)
- Water sources: 60% surface, 40% ground

**Indian Wells Valley Water Agency**
- Water Sources: 12 ground water pumps
- Customers Served: 10,000+
- Water Quality Report: [www.iwwwd.com](http://www.iwwwd.com)

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**PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION**

**Antelope Valley Transit Authority**

*July 1, 2002–June 30, 2002*

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**Metrolink**

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<tr>
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<td>22</td>
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Source: Antelope Valley Transit Authority.

Source: Southern California Rail Authority, May, 2002.
MOTION PICTURE AND TELEVISION PRODUCTION

In an ever more competitive film environment, the Antelope Valley, Hollywood's "back lot," continued as a favorite location for feature films, television shows and commercials, music videos and still photography. A sample of recent movies which were shot in part in the area include "Planet of the Apes," "Rat Race," "Star Trek Nemesis," "Betrayal" and "Scorpion King." Television viewers saw the Antelope Valley in such shows as "X Files," "Fear Factor," "Power Rangers," "American Family" and more. Pop stars including Paul McCartney, Jewel and Britney Spears also used the Antelope Valley as a backdrop for recent projects.

ACTIVITIES RECAP — July 2001 to June 2002
The Antelope Valley Film Office assisted and tracked 220 productions in the Antelope Valley from July 2001 to June 2002, totaling 326 production days. This includes 113 films, 66 commercials and 43 still-photography productions.

REVENUE ESTIMATES $3,185,000

For additional information on filming in the Antelope Valley, contact:

The Antelope Valley Film Office at 661-723-6090 and The Palmdale Film, Convention & Visitors Bureau at 661-267-5120

AGRICULTURE AND THE ANTELOPE VALLEY

- Antelope Valley farmland is estimated at over 18,000 developed acres, based upon the 2001 Los Angeles County Crop Report. Eastern Kern County was not estimated due to insufficient data.
- Some of the top crops grown in Los Angeles County, such as Carrots, Peaches and Dry Onions are grown in the Antelope Valley.
- The grape crop grew 17.7% in 2001 supporting a greatly expanding local winery trade.
- Antelope Valley growers produce 100% of many other Los Angeles County crops. The listings below indicate crop, percentage of that crop produced for Los Angeles County in the Antelope Valley, the acreage for that crop and the revenue generated.

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<thead>
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<td>Apples</td>
<td>100%</td>
<td>320</td>
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<td>Cherries</td>
<td>100%</td>
<td>150</td>
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<td>147</td>
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<td>Misc.</td>
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<td>Root (Carrots)</td>
<td>90%</td>
<td>7,417</td>
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<td>Dry Onions</td>
<td>100%</td>
<td>1,732</td>
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<td>Alfalfa Hay</td>
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<td>5,709</td>
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2001 Los Angeles County Revenue Estimate $63,381,700

In addition, the total crop value in Kern County for 2001 was estimated at $2,255,693,200. With almost half of that total coming from crops that grow well in the Antelope Valley, the economic impact of farming in Eastern Kern County is significant as well.

Housing

HOUSING SUMMARY
As the year 2002 came to a close, the magnitude of the growth in the Antelope Valley housing market was difficult to fully appreciate. Driven by record low interest rates and a housing shortage throughout Southern California, buyers flocked to new and existing homes in the area pushing prices up and putting pressure on the supply of housing. Indeed, lines for new homes were seen for the first time in a decade.

The market did not rival the anomalous year of 1989, but did turn in one of the best, and most healthy years on record.

As noted on pages 23-24, housing prices reflected strong growth. In spite of this increase, the region still retained the most affordable homes in Los Angeles County, particularly compared with prices in the nearby Santa Clarita and San Fernando Valleys as shown in the example below.

Some areas of the Antelope Valley, as shown on the following pages, recorded prices as low as $57 per square foot range. According to the ACCRA cost of living survey, (see page 31) home prices in the Antelope Valley, (Los Angeles County portion) were 88.6% of the average cost of housing in the United States. This compares well to Los Angeles, with prices 204.8% of the national average.

The area also continues to maintain a supply of housing to meet every need. In Lancaster, the City’s housing stock in December, 2002 was 57% owner occupied and 35% renter occupied with an 8% vacancy rate. Palmdale’s homes were 66% occupied by owners, 26% occupied by renters and 8% of its housing units were vacant. This vacancy rate, which is below the national average, suggests that, while the market will remain tight, an adequate supply of housing remains available. What will the market be like in 2003?

According to California Department of Finance, the population of Los Angeles County added 306,000 people since the 2000 U.S. Census. The Los Angeles County Economic Development Corporation reports, however, that only 35,319 housing units, (homes, apartments, condos, mobile homes, etc) were added to the supply during that same period. Interest rates are also expected to see only a slight increase around midyear 2003, providing a continuation of attractive rates for potential homebuyers. These numbers are the hard data behind the housing shortage throughout Southern California. A shortage of housing and continued low interest rates suggest that the Antelope Valley will continue to see more buyers and builders in 2003.
The County Tax Assessor's records for both Los Angeles and Kern Counties were searched to identify sales activity of single family homes in each of the designated Antelope Valley sub-markets.

### ANTELOPE VALLEY HOME SALES 2002

<table>
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<td>219</td>
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<td>474</td>
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<td>Rosamond Area</td>
<td>231</td>
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<td>Tehachapi Area</td>
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<td>Antelope Acres</td>
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<td>56</td>
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<td>198</td>
<td>307</td>
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<td>875</td>
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2002 closed with a total of 8,050 homes sold, an increase of 1,793 homes or 29% compared to 2001. The average sale price in all but one of the areas increased for an overall increase of 11%!

### AVERAGE SALES PRICE

![Average Sales Price Chart](chart-url)

- 2000
- 2001
- 2002
Sales of new homes were separated from other sales data. New homes sales activity is on the rise especially in the East Palmdale sub-market where the number of units sold increased 109%! The average sales price for new homes in all four sub-markets combined increased 10% over 2001.

### ANTELOPE VALLEY NEW HOME SALES

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<td>211</td>
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<td>East Palmdale</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
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Although the average sales price for Antelope Valley homes has been steadily increasing over the past several years, homes in the Antelope Valley are still a bargain. The average sales price for homes in Lancaster is only 44% of the average price of a home in Valencia!

### AVERAGE SALES PRICE

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Health Care

Medical Groups

Kaiser Permanente: Kaiser Permanente is the largest medical group in California with over 4,000 physicians. In the Antelope Valley, there are 60 full time physicians, and 30 part time physicians, RNP's and PAs.

Lancaster (two campuses): Primary Care areas of OB/GYN, Pediatrics, Internal Medicine and Family Practice. Specialty care: Allergy and Allergy shots, Cardiology, Endocrinology, Gastroenterology, Hematology/Oncology, Infectious Disease, Nephrology, Pulmonology, Rheumatology. General Surgery, Orthopedic Surgery, Podiatry, Head and Neck Surgery (ENT), Ophthalmology including Retinal Surgeon, Urology, Dermatology, Physical Medicine, Psychiatry, Chemical Dependency Rehab and Urgent Care, Chemotherapy, Echocardiogram, EEG, EKG, Health Education, GI Laboratory and Procedural Sedation Suite, Home Health Hospice, Infusion Clinic, Laboratory, Laser Eye Surgery, Mammography, Mental Health programs, Nutrition counseling, OB Non Stress test, Occupational Therapy, Optical-glasses & Contacts, Immunizations, Patient Representative, Pharmacy, Physical Therapy, Radiology, Respiratory Therapy, Social Services, Treadmill and Ultrasound.


Hospitals

Antelope Valley Hospital is a full-service medical center with 355 licensed beds and another 100 to be added this year. It is owned and operated by the Antelope Valley Health Care District, a public not-for-profit agency. Services include Critical Care, Neonatal Intensive Care, Definitive Observation, Emergency Department, Medical Surgical, Obstetrics, Pediatrics, Mental Health, Surgery including Open Heart, Cardiac Catheterization Laboratory, Home Health, Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Skilled Nursing Center, Laboratory, Radiology, CT Scan and MRI, Nuclear Medicine, and Outpatient clinics.

Los Angeles County High Desert Hospital is an 82-bed County hospital, operated by the Department of Health Services, County of Los Angeles.

Lancaster Community Hospital is a 117-bed community hospital, owned and operated by Universal Health Services. Services include Critical Care, Definitive Observation, Emergency Department, Medical Surgical, Surgery including Open Heart, Cardiac Catheterization Laboratory, Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Rehab Center, Laboratory, Radiology, CT Scan and MRI, Nuclear Medicine.

Ridgecrest Regional Hospital is a non-profit, state-of-the-art 80 bed acute care hospital serving the Indian Wells Valley and surrounding communities.

Tehachapi Hospital is a 28-bed public hospital operated by the Tehachapi Valley Healthcare District.
Drummond Medical Group serves the East Kern County area with two centers in Ridgecrest and one in California City.

First Valley Medical Group is a physician network with 8 primary care physicians. As a network FVMG contracts with community-based primary care and specialists to provide services to its patients. Services: Primary care services for Family Practice Internal Medicine, and Pediatrics. Specialty services are provided by contract community based physicians.

High Desert Medical Group is a medical network with 15 primary care physicians in two main locations. Services: Primary care services for Family Practice Internal Medicine, and Pediatrics. Other services include Laboratory, Radiology, EKG and Urgent Care. Specialty services are provided by contract community based physicians.

Molina Medical Group is a physician network with 5 primary care physicians, providing outpatient services to Medi-Cal recipients only.

Sierra Primary Care is a physician network with 12 primary care physicians in 2 locations. As a network SPC contracts with community-based primary care and specialists to provide services to its patients. Services: Primary care services for Family Practice Internal Medicine, and Pediatrics. Other services include Endocrinology, Laboratory, Radiology, EKG and Urgent Care. Specialty services are provided by contract community based physicians.

Health Clinics
Health care clinics providing basic, non-emergency care are located in the following communities:
- California City (East Kern Health District)
- Lake Los Angeles (Antelope Valley Hospital, County of Los Angeles)
- Littlerock (Antelope Valley Hospital, County of Los Angeles)
- Mojave (County of Kern)
- Palmdale (Antelope Valley Hospital, County of Los Angeles)
- Ridgecrest (County of Kern)
- Tehachapi (County of Kern)

Ambulance Service
Los Angeles County, Kern County, and California City Paramedics
- American Medical Response
- Antelope Ambulance BLS
- Hall Ambulance Service
- Liberty Ambulance Service

Chiropractic
There are approximately 90 Chiropractic Doctors in the Greater Antelope Valley.

Dentistry
There are approximately 169 Dentists in the Antelope Valley of which 6 are Oral & Maxillofacial surgeons and 16 are Orthodontists.

Freestanding Centers
Antelope Valley Surgery Center
Regional Valley Surgery Center (Part of Antelope Valley Hospital)

Long Term Care
16 Long term care centers are located in the Antelope Valley providing all levels of care and hospice services.
## PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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## KERN COUNTY DISTRICTS/SCHOOLS

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* Year round.
Private & Parochial Schools

The following is a partial list of private and parochial schools in Lancaster, Palmdale and Pearblossom. Excellent private schools also serve other areas in the Greater Antelope Valley. Due to differing school calendars and reporting processes, timeliness of enrollment figures vary.

The following enrollment figures reflect kindergarten through the highest year offered, and do not include preschoolers.

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CERRO COSO COMMUNITY COLLEGE
3000 College Heights Blvd.
Ridgecrest, CA 93555
760-384-6100
www.cerrocoso.edu

District Size .................. 18,800 Square Miles
Ridgeway Campus Size ........... 320 Acres
Number of Degree Programs Offered ....... 27
Enrollment, Fall 2002 ............. 6,347
Total Faculty .................. 39
Online Classes offered ............ 100+
Online Degree Programs .......... 12
Total employees ................ 198

Instructional Sites
- Bishop
- Edwards Air Force Base (South Kern)
- Kern River Valley
- Mammoth

COMMUNITY COLLEGES

ANTELOPE VALLEY COLLEGE
3041 West Avenue K
Lancaster, CA 93536
661-722-6300
www.avc.edu

District Size .................. 1,945 Square Miles
Lancaster Campus Size ........... 125 Acres
Number of Buildings .............. 30
Budget 2002-2003 ................ $45.3 Million

STUDENTS / PROGRAMS
Fall 2002 Student Enrollment .......... 13,000
Courses offered, Spring, 2003 ......... 1,500
Associate Degree Programs .......... 62
Certificate Programs ................ 52

FACULTY / STAFF
Total number of Faculty .......... 151
Percentage holding Ph.D.s ........ 23%
Professors/Assistant Professors .... 82
Total Employees Campuswide ....... 802

CORPORATE AND COMMUNITY EDUCATION PROGRAMS
Antelope Valley College's Corporate and Community Education Division develops, implements, and delivers job training and contract services to community businesses. Contract education is an economic development initiative which is designed to train employees and solve business problems at a substantial savings to local business and industry.

CAREER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS
FOUR YEAR UNIVERSITIES

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, BAKERSFIELD
ANTELOPE VALLEY CAMPUS
43909 30th Street West
Lancaster, CA 93536
Telephone 661-722-6630
www.csupak.edu/AV/
Student Enrollment, Fall, 2002 998
Number of courses offered 163

The campus is located on the North Campus of Antelope Valley College.

CSUB-AV's expanding catalog offers Bachelor degree programs in Communications, Criminal Justice, Economics, English, Environmental Resources Management, Liberal Studies, Nursing, Psychology and Sociology. A Bachelor of Science in Engineering is also available through a joint program with Antelope Valley College and CSU Fresno, (fourth year work to be completed off campus). A Masters Degree is also available in Educational Administration as well as in Education Curriculum and Instruction. Teaching credential programs offered are Single Subject Education, Special Education and Elementary Education. CSUB-Antelope Valley also offers certificate programs in five different areas.

CHAPMAN UNIVERSITY
40015 Sierra Hwy. #B-160
Palmdale, CA 93550
Telephone 661-267-2001

Six Bachelor degree programs, five Masters degree programs, two educational credential programs and two certificate programs offered in the Antelope Valley.

EMERY RIDDLE AERONAUTICAL UNIVERSITY
1-866-462-3728
Centers in Palmdale, Edwards Air Force Base and China Lake Naval Base
Masters degree programs include Aeronautical Science, Technical Management and Aviation.

UNIVERSITY OF LA VERNE
Telephone 800-695-4858 ext. 5220
Bachelor degree programs offered in Mojave, Palmdale and Ridgecrest locations.

UNIVERSITY OF PHOENIX
1216 West Ave. J, Suite #500
Lancaster, CA 93534
140 Methusa Avenue
Edwards Air Force Base, CA 93524
Telephone 661-940-6851

Seven Bachelor degree programs offered, along with ten Master degree programs and two educational credential programs.

WEST COAST BAPTIST COLLEGE
4020 East Lancaster Blvd.
Lancaster, CA 93535
Telephone 661-946-4663

Private seminary college offers Bachelor and Master degree programs.
Quality of Life

COST OF LIVING

In August, 2002, the American Chamber of Commerce Research Association released its survey of the cost of living, conducted during the second quarter of the year. Using a wide menu of cost factors including groceries, energy, clothing, home prices, utilities and more, the study ranks areas against the national average. A percentage below 100 indicates a cost of living below the national average.

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<th>Area</th>
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<td>ANTELOPE VALLEY</td>
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<td>U.S. National cost of living</td>
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<td>Hemet-San Jacinto</td>
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<td>Inland Empire</td>
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<td>Los Angeles/Long Beach</td>
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Public Libraries
12 Public Libraries
Kern County Libraries:
www.kerncountylibrary.org
Los Angeles County Libraries
www.colapublic.lib.org
Palmdale Main Library
www.palmdalelibrary.org
Palmdale Youth Library
www.palmdalelibrary.org/youthlib/

Shopping/Dining
Antelope Valley Mall, Palmdale
- 135 stores (5 Department)
- 1,156 total retail stores & 217 restaurants in Lancaster
- 1,069 total retail stores & 160 restaurants in Palmdale
- 318 total retail stores & 53 restaurants in Ridgecrest

Community Theaters
Lancaster Performing Arts Center
780 seats • 661/723-5950
Palmdale Playhouse
350 seats • 661/267-ARTS

Museums (partial)
Edwards Air Force Flight Test Museum
Antelope Valley Indian Museum
Lancaster Museum/Art Gallery
Matrango Museum
Tehachapi Railroad Museum

Movie Theaters
8 Movie Complexes
22 stadium style screens
46 traditional screens

Professional Sports
Lancaster JetHawks
(Arizona Diamondback affiliate)
661/726-5400; www.jethawks.com

Major Recreation Facilities
Lancaster Soccer Center
Pelona Vista Park, Palmdale
Big Eight Softball Complex, Lancaster
Funland Sports Center, Palmdale

Select Community Events
Edwards Air Show & Open House (October)
Lancaster Poppy Festival (April)
Palmdale Fall Festival (October)
Antelope Valley Fair (August)
Concerts in the Park (Summer)
Desert Empire Fair (September)
Tehachapi Apple Festival (October)
Mojave Gold Rush Days (October)
Ridgecrest Balloon Festival (April)
California City Heritage Days (September)
AIR QUALITY

2001-2002 Air Quality Year

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The Antelope Valley is the only region of Los Angeles County that is not located within the South Coast Air Quality Management District. The Antelope Valley Air Pollution Control District monitors air quality in the region and works with the business community to meet the needs of a safe environment and a growing local economy.

In 2001/2002 the Antelope Valley completed its 12th straight year without a single stage one air quality alert. For more information on air quality in the Antelope Valley compared to other areas see page 12.

Sources: Antelope Valley Air Pollution Management District, California Air Resources Board.

WEATHER

Average Temperatures:
Comparison with Southwestern Communities

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Source: The Weather Channel web site.
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