Introduction

The Greater Antelope Valley

The Antelope Valley is an extensive economic region encompassing some 3,000 square miles that include five (5) incorporated cities and portions of two (2) counties. This economic region is actually larger in size than Delaware and Rhode Island. The legacy of this vast valley continues as one of the leading aerospace flight test and research resources in our nation. Along with the accomplishments achieved in the aerospace field, we are the largest producers of a number of crops in Los Angeles County. The unincorporated city of Boron, located just east of Mojave, is home to the largest borax mine in all of California, which just so happens to be the only state where borax is extracted domestically. In addition to our plentiful inventory of available land, the ever-expanding, diversified industrial base of this region offers hundreds of thousands of square feet of brand new state-of-the-art facilities. The retail market continues to develop and is rapidly becoming the destination of choice to a number of the nation’s leading retailers. Now home to some 440,000 residents, the Antelope Valley is quickly evolving into a stronger and more influential economic region!

The Antelope Valley provides a fertile environment for economic growth and offers a wide range of benefits to businesses seeking to relocate or expand into our area. The incentives and tax savings provided within our Enterprise and Foreign Trade Zones will lessen the impact of relocation or start-up costs. This provides a better profit margin in the years to come for those companies looking toward the future. An Antelope Valley business can also take advantage of our available labor pool that includes some 50,000 commuters, while enjoying our clean air and a quality of life that is hard to duplicate elsewhere.

This report is made possible through the efforts and support of the GAVEA membership, a dedicated group of business and civic leaders partnering with our cities and counties. In supporting GAVEA’s vital role to attract and retain wealth-producing jobs with this valley, our members recognize that our economy is too important to leave to chance.

Harvey Holloway
Chairman Economic Roundtable Report
Greater Antelope Valley Economic Alliance

George Atkinson
Chairman of the Board
Greater Antelope Valley Economic Alliance

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## Population Detail

### Antelope Valley Population Forecast

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### Los Angeles County

**Lancaster**
- 1990: 92,291
- 2000: 118,718
- 2005: 133,703
- 2006: 138,392

**Palmdale**
- 1990: 68,842
- 2000: 116,670
- 2005: 136,734
- 2006: 141,012

### Kern County

**California City**
- 1990: 6,023
- 2000: 8,385
- 2005: 11,504
- 2006: 12,048

**Ridgecrest**
- 1990: 26,630
- 2000: 24,927
- 2005: 26,493
- 2006: 26,515

**Tehachapi**
- 1990: 10,661
- 2000: 12,202
- 2005: 11,907
- 2006: 12,610

### Population by Zip Code

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**Overall Total**
- 398,725
- 437,942
- 446,342

Source: Claritas, Southern California Association of Government, SCAG, Department of Finance.
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1. **MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD INCOME**
   - **2005**
     - Santa Clarita: $76,013
     - Palmdale: $52,076
     - California City: $52,160
     - Ridgecrest: $49,203
     - Las Vegas: $47,931
     - Lancaster: $45,042
     - Bakersfield: $45,352
     - Long Beach: $41,210
     - Los Angeles: $47,275
     - Tehachapi: $33,901
   - **2006**
     - Santa Clarita: $76,213
     - Palmdale: $51,867
     - California City: $51,894
     - Ridgecrest: $50,845
     - Las Vegas: $48,878
     - Lancaster: $44,686
     - Bakersfield: $45,804
     - Long Beach: $41,529
     - Los Angeles: $47,706
     - Tehachapi: $33,312

2. **REAL ESTATE TAX RATE**
   - **2005**
     - Lancaster: 1.102%
     - Palmdale: 1.129%
     - San Bernardino: 1.141%
     - Bakersfield: 1.150%
     - Victorville: 1.244%
     - Portland, OR: 2.100%
     - Tucson, AZ: 2.250%
     - Chandler, AZ: 2.928%
     - Reno, NV: 3.520%
   - **2006**
     - Lancaster: 1.129%
     - Palmdale: 1.213%
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     - Portland, OR: 2.100%
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     - Reno, NV: 3.520%

3. **CRIME RATE (PER 100,000 POP)**
   - **CALIFORNIA**
     - Bakersfield, CA: 5,987
     - Lancaster: 4,261
     - Palmdale: 4,618
     - Riverside: 5,347
     - San Bernardino: 7,918
     - Ridgecrest: 3,785
     - Victorville: 5,870
   - **NEVADA**
     - Las Vegas Metro, NV: 5,632
     - North Las Vegas: 5,221
     - Reno: 6,386
   - **ARIZONA**
     - Glendale, AZ: 6,363
     - Phoenix: 7,695
     - Tucson: 10,161

4. **2000-2011 GROWTH PROJECTIONS**
   - **2000**
     - Palmdale: 116,670
     - Bakersfield: 247,657
     - Santa Clarita: 151,088
     - Moreno Valley: 142,381
     - Lancaster: 118,718
     - Ontario: 158,007
     - Phoenix: 1,321,045
     - Long Beach: 461,522
   - **2011**
     - Palmdale: 153,197
     - Bakersfield: 337,370
     - Santa Clarita: 184,286
     - Moreno Valley: 194,403
     - Lancaster: 145,231
     - Ontario: 185,776
     - Phoenix: 1,532,377
     - Long Beach: 504,449

5. **MEDIAN HOUSE/CONDO PRICES**
   - **2005**
     - Santa Clarita: $564,000
     - Los Angeles (city): $470,000
     - Long Beach: $467,500
     - Rosamond: $266,750
     - Palmdale: $345,000
     - Bakersfield: $284,000
     - Lancaster: $305,000
     - Tehachapi: $279,000
     - California City: $200,000
     - Ridgecrest: $175,000
   - **2006**
     - Santa Clarita: $564,500
     - Los Angeles (city): $505,000
     - Long Beach: $500,000
     - Rosamond: $280,000
     - Palmdale: $370,000
     - Bakersfield: $298,000
     - Lancaster: $335,000
     - Tehachapi: $279,750
     - California City: $230,000
     - Ridgecrest: $175,000

6. **COST OF DOING BUSINESS**
   - **2005**
     - Lancaster: Moderate Cost
     - Palmdale: Moderate Cost
     - Victorville: Moderate Cost
     - Tulare: High Cost
     - Riverside: High Cost
     - San Bernardino: Very High Cost
     - Los Angeles: Very High Cost
     - Chandler, AZ: Very High Cost
     - Phoenix, AZ: Very High Cost
   - **2006**
     - Lancaster: Moderate Cost
     - Palmdale: Moderate Cost
     - Victorville: Moderate Cost
     - Tulare: High Cost
     - Riverside: High Cost
     - San Bernardino: Very High Cost
     - Los Angeles: Very High Cost
     - Chandler, AZ: Very High Cost
     - Phoenix, AZ: Very High Cost

7. **CENSUS GROWTH 1990-2000**
   - Palmdale: 49.40%
   - Phoenix: 33.50%
   - Santa Clarita: 23.50%
   - Bakersfield: 29.90%
   - Lancaster: 21.49%
   - Ontario: 17.10%
   - Moreno Valley: 19.90%
   - Long Beach: 8.30%

8. **HOUSING AFFORDABILITY INDEX (%)**
   - **2005**
     - Lancaster: 50
     - Palmdale: 50
     - California City: 73
     - Ridgecrest: 77
     - Tehachapi: 46
     - Rosamond: 62
     - Bakersfield: 56
     - Santa Clarita: 46
     - Los Angeles: 28
     - Long Beach: 29
   - **2006**
     - Lancaster: 42
     - Palmdale: 43
     - California City: 42
     - Ridgecrest: 77
     - Tehachapi: 39
     - Rosamond: 58
     - Bakersfield: 51
     - Santa Clarita: 46
     - Los Angeles: 24
     - Long Beach: 25

9. **COST OF LIVING INDEX (%) (ACCRA)**
   - **2005 1ST QUARTER**
     - New York: 203.9
     - San Francisco: 178.7
     - Los Angeles/Long Beach: 153.7
     - San Diego: 146.9
   - **2005 2ND QUARTER**
     - San Bernardino: 126.3
     - Palm Springs: 122.3
     - Fresno: 119.6
     - Riverside: 117.8
     - Portland, OR: 115.6
     - Las Vegas, NV: 113.9
   - **Antelope Valley**
     - Reno, NV: 112.1
     - Sparks, NV: 112.1
     - Bakersfield: 109.6

Source: Karmont Rose Institute, CAR, FBI, Claritas, Census, ACCRA, DataQuick, CA/EA.
ANTELOPE VALLEY CITIES

Lancaster “We Appreciate Your Business”

“The people behind the City of Lancaster represent all the positive attributes of the public sector. The City understands how to merge non-profit social services with private resources and city powers to achieve public good.”

— Scott Ehrlich, Partner
InSite Development

The Children’s Center of the Antelope Valley

2006 MILESTONES

- Lancaster was named one of the Top 5 Most Business-Friendly Cities by Los Angeles County Economic Development Corporation (LAEDC).
- Lancaster’s population grew 4.5% and was named the fastest growing city in Los Angeles County and 14th nationwide.
- Grand openings of WinCo Foods, CVS Drugstore, Farmer Boys and Coldstone Creamery at the Lancaster Town Center.
- Chili’s, Panera Bread, Rubio’s and Jamba Juice are currently under construction at the Lancaster Town Center.
- Two Hilton brand hotels, a 93-room Homewood Suites and an 86-room Hampton Inn & a Marriott brand hotel, a 95-room SpringHill Suites are all under construction. A new 102-room La Quinta is also planned for construction at the Lancaster Spectrum.
- Over 500,000 sq. ft. of entertainment, dining, and retail space is planned for construction at Front Row Center by the Hoppink Development Group.
- Grand Opening of the Children’s Center of the Antelope Valley’s new $2.5 million dollar, 15,500 sq. ft. home in Downtown Lancaster.
- Fox Field Industrial Corridor: SCE Gaskets, Morton’s Fasteners, and SCP Pool Corp. opened for business in phase 1 of the Fox Field Business Park. The National Guard Armory’s 40,000 sq. ft. Lancaster Readiness Center is nearly complete.
- Lancaster Honda and Sierra Toyota are expanding and will begin construction on the new state-of-the-art facilities at the Lancaster Auto Mall.
- The City of Lancaster launched the Entrepreneur Training Program, in cooperation with Wells Fargo Bank and the A.V. Hispanic Chamber of Commerce.
- Lancaster secured a $75,000 Workforce Innovation Regional Economic Development (WIRE) grant from the California Space Authority to develop a new engineering and manufacturing employee training program.
- Arbor Grove, a 150-unit senior housing and mixed-use complex with over 8,000 sq. ft. of retail space, is complete and ready for occupancy.
- Downtown Lancaster Specific Plan, The Promenade at Amargosa Creek Specific Plan and the General Plan 2030 Update are all underway.
- Poppyfield Estates, a mixed-use project with 100 units of workforce housing and a 19,000 sq. ft. facility for the Mental Health Association is under construction in Downtown Lancaster.
- The Los Angeles County Sheriff’s Department launched its new Sheriff’s Training Academy at Antelope Valley College.
- The Economic Development/Redevelopment Department (EDR) and Housing and Neighborhood Revitalization Department were created and each adopted new strategic plans to carry out the goals of the Lancaster Redevelopment Agency.

Elected Officials

Mayor Henry W. Hearn
Vice Mayor Ed Sileo
Councilmembers
Jim Jeffra
Ronald D. Smith
Andrew D. Visokey

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Population by Origin

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Average Family Income - City

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Public Safety (2005)

- Crime Rate Per 100,000: 4,541
- U.S. Average 100-250K pop: 5,265

Housing

- 2006 Median Housing: $335,000
- Annual % of Change: 9.84%
- Affordability Index: 42.0%
- Housing Units: 46,790
- Detached Units: 31,626
- Persons Per Household: 3.07
- Homeowners: 61.61%

Education (Educational Attainment by Pop, 25+)

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Workforce (Civil Employed by Pop, 16+)

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<td>Spanish Speaking</td>
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Growth Rate Chart

Source: City of Lancaster, CAVEA, Claritas Inc., CA-DOE, CAR, FBI, DDBV
Palmdale "A Place to Call Home"

"Venture Corporation chose to develop in the City of Palmdale because of the opportunities we saw for the phenomenal growth and the dynamics we foresee for developing within the City. It was important to Venture Corporation to be part of the synergy and activity being created within the Palmdale Trade and Commerce Center. We were happy to find a helpful Palmdale staff that was excellent to work with through all phases of the project."

— Stuart D. Scheinholtz, Development Vice President Venture Corporation

2006 MILESTONES
- Construction begins on a 69,000-sq. ft. office condominium project in the Palmdale Trade and Commerce Center
- Construction begins on a 18,096-sq. ft. professional office building in the Palmdale Trade and Commerce Center
- Construction of 7 professional medical office buildings totalling 52,072 sq. ft. is under construction in the Palmdale Trade and Commerce Center
- Infrastructure construction well underway for new Universal Health Services Hospital
- A.V. Mall completes $7 million dollar renovation
- New 16-screen stadium-seating Cinemark Theater opens at the A.V. Mall
- Famous Dave's Legendary Pit Bar-B-Que restaurant opens at the A.V. Mall
- Construction begins for Hilton Garden Inn at the A.V. Mall
- Construction begins for El's Restaurant and Brewery and On the Border Mexican Grill and Cantina at the A.V. Mall
- Ground broken for Park Plaza retail development in East Palmdale at Avenue S, west of 47th Street East, which will include the City's second Chili's restaurant
- Delta Scientific moves entire headquarters from Valencia to Palmdale and constructs second facility in the Fairway Business Park
- Davis Wholesale Electric opens in the Fairway Business Park
- Over 60,000 sf. of industrial and commercial office buildings have completed construction or are under construction in the Fairway Business Park
- Construction begins on the Courson senior housing complex
- New $23.8 million dollar Sheriff's Station opens in Palmdale
- Former Palmdale Courthouse officially becomes the Palmdale Institute of Technology, home to the AERO Institute
- City Council approves spending $150,000 to acquire nanotechnology-related scientific equipment to create a nanotechnology research laboratory at the AERO Institute, and the NASA Aerospace Exploration Gallery opens at the AERO Institute
- South Valley WorkSource Center celebrates one-year anniversary
- Transit Village - City Council approves agreement for EIR preparation
- DryTown Water Park opens for first season

Elected Officials
Mayor James C. Ledford, Jr.
Mayor Pro Tem Mike Dienesza
Councilmembers
Steven D. Hofbauer
Stephen Knight
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POPPULATION BY ORIGIN
Not Hispanic or Latino 57.70%
Hispanic 42.30%

POPPULATION BY RACE
White Alone 49.74%
African American 17.21%
Native American 1.01%
Asian/Pacific Islander 4.03%
Some Other Race 22.83%
Two or More Races 5.18%
Median Age 28.67
Male 49.17%
Female 50.83%

AVERAGE FAMILY INCOME - CITY
$65,461
93550 $51,019
93551 $59,128
93552 $64,083

PUBLIC SAFETY
Crime Rate Per 100,000
3.906
U.S. Average 100-250K pop
5.265

HOUSING
2006 Median Housing
$370,000
Annual % of Change
7.25%
Affordability Index
43.0%
Housing Units
42,341
Detached Units
33,814
 Persons Per Household
3.56
Homeowners
71.42%

EDUCATION (EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT BY POP. 25+)
73,669
No High School Diploma
25.61%
High School Graduate
24.72%
Some College, no degree
28.89%
Associate's Degree
7.18%
Bachelor's Degree
9.64%
Master's Degree
2.81%
Professional School Degree
0.79%
Doctoral Degree
0.35%

WORKFORCE (CIV EMPLOYED BY POP. 16+)
53,275
Management/Financial Operations
11.58%
Professional Occupations
17.39%
Service
16.06%
Sales & Office
27.42%
Agricultural/Forestry
0.14%
Construction/Maintenance
11.95%
Manufacturing/Professional
15.45%
Spanish Speaking
27.99%

Growth Rate Chart
California City “Classic Desert Living”

2006 MILESTONES

- New high school under construction
- Approximately 500 single family home permits issued
- Development agreement approved for a Taco Bell/Kentucky Fried Chicken restaurant
- $2 million Federal Administration grant for a municipal airport runaway improvement
- New elementary school will break ground in January 2007

“California City is pro growth. We have broken ground for a new high school, and will break ground for a new elementary school in January of 2007. California City is still the best kept secret in California. Where else in California can you buy a new three-bedroom, two-bath home in the low 200,000s?”

— Al Gagnon, President, California City Real Estate

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POPULATION BY ORIGIN
- Not Hispanic or Latino: 78.96%
- Hispanic: 21.04%

POPULATION BY RACE
- White Alone: 64.71%
- African American: 12.54%
- Native American: 1.78%
- Asian/Pacific Islander: 4.36%
- Some Other Race: 10.16%
- Two or More Races: 6.44%
- Median Age: 34.81
- Male: 49.67%
- Female: 50.33%

AVERAGE FAMILY INCOME - CITY
- $64,618
- 93505

PUBLIC SAFETY
- Crime Rate Per 100,000: 2,783
- U.S. Average 10-25K pop: 3,630

HOUSING
- 2006 Median Housing: $230,000
- Annual % of Change: 15.0%
- Affordability Index: 42.4%
- Housing Units: 3,887
- Detached Units: 2,946
- Persons Per Household: 2.81
- Homeowners: 67.28%

EDUCATION (EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT BY POP. 25+)
- No High School Diploma: 17.17%
- High School Graduate: 25.50%
- Some College, no degree: 35.08%
- Associate’s Degree: 9.77%
- Bachelor’s Degree: 7.64%
- Master’s Degree: 3.76%
- Professional School Degree: 0.01%
- Doctoral Degree: 1.07%

WORKFORCE (CIV EMPLOYED BY POP. 16+) 4,720
- Management/Financial Operations: 12.27%
- Professional Occupations: 17.80%
- Service: 21.38%
- Sales & Office: 25.32%
- Agricultural/Forestry: 0.17%
- Construction/Maintenance: 13.07%
- Manufacturing/Professional: 10.00%
- Spanish Speaking: 10.13%

Growth Rate Chart

State Rank in Size
347
348
349
350
351
352
353
354
355
356

State Rank by Growth Rate
111
112
113
114
115
116
117
118
119
120

% of Change from 2000 Census
34.9
37.2
43.7
48.3

State Rank by Numerical Change from 2000 Census
159
172
164

Source: City of California City. GAVEA, Claritas Inc., CA-DOE, CAR, FBI, DataQuick
Ridgecrest "The Place to be!"

Ridgecrest offers businesses of all sizes, whether just starting up or already established, the opportunity to grow and prosper because both the city and county government are responsive and maintain a business-friendly agenda. With the availability of land, clean air, clear weather, and a highly educated workforce, Ridgecrest demonstrates an entrepreneurial attitude; while at the same time retaining that small town spirit and lifestyle."
— Ron Kicinski, Co-owner, TOSS, Inc. and Service Master of IVV

2006 MILESTONES
- Completion of a successful Base Closure and Relocation Effort
- Hampton Inn and Grand Stay Hotels
- Two new retail strip centers with nine new retail stores
- Navy Federal Credit Union building
- Desert Valleys Federal Credit Union
- Taco Bell and new express coffee restaurants

The City is fast becoming the regional retail center for Eastern Kern County with the introduction of several new, big-box retailers and its position as the third largest community in Kern County. With an increase in retail sales in 2005 of 12.2%, Ridgecrest is well-positioned to continue its retail expansion.

Economic indicators have greatly improved in the last year with the expansion of the Naval Air Weapons Station (NAWS) in China Lake. This new job growth will generate supporting military contractors and local business expansion. These jobs are expected to bring several thousand new residents to the community.

"It's all about personal service. I enjoy doing business with people I know. We are growing, but our business community retains the small town flavor of mutual support and, in that way, we provide better customer service."
— Pat Farris, Publisher, The News Review

"We like doing business in Ridgecrest because the community is friendly, because they are caring and forgiving and because they are so supportive of our local merchants."
— Peggy Breeden, Owner & Operator, The Swap Sheet

Elected Officials
Mayor Marshall "Chip" Holloway
Mayor Pro Tem Steven Morgan
Vice Mayor Thomas Winkich
Councilmembers
Darn O. Clark
Ronald Carter

Contacts
City Manager Harvey M. Rose
760/499-5000
Community & Economic Development
Gary Parsons
760/499-5061

POPULATION BY ORIGIN
- Not Hispanic or Latino: 85.51%
- Hispanic: 14.49%

POPULATION BY RACE
- White Alone: 79.73%
- African American: 3.52%
- Native American: 1.07%
- Asian/Pacific Islander: 5.05%
- Some Other Race: 6.28%
- Two or More Races: 4.35%
- Median Age: 34.93
- Male: 49.87%
- Female: 50.13%

AVERAGE FAMILY INCOME - CITY
- $70,579
- 93555
- $72,408

PUBLIC SAFETY
- Crime Rate Per 100,000: 3,062
- U.S. Average 25-50K pop: 4,007

HOUSING
- 2006 Median Housing: $175,000
- Annual % of Change: 0.00%
- Affordability Index: 77.0%
- Housing Units: 11,529
- Detached Units: 7,651
- Persons Per Household: 2.57
- Homeowners: 66.80%

EDUCATION (EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT BY POP 25+)
- 15,941
- No High School Diploma: 12.67%
- High School Graduate: 23.58%
- Some College, no degree: 28.25%
- Associate's Degree: 11.55%
- Bachelor's Degree: 15.41%
- Master's Degree: 6.63%
- Professional School Degree: 0.73%
- Doctoral Degree: 1.15%

WORKFORCE (CIV EMPLOYED BY POP 16+)
- 11,090
- Management/Financial Operations: 11.51%
- Professional Occupations: 28.89%
- Service: 17.73%
- Sales & Office: 22.54%
- Agricultural/Forestry: 0.13%
- Construction/Maintenance: 10.40%
- Manufacturing/Professional: 8.81%
- Spanish Speaking: 8.23%

Growth Rate Chart

Source: City of Ridgecrest, GAVEA, Claritas Inc., CA-DOE, CAR, FBI, DataPoints
Tehachapi
“The Right Environment for the Right Company”

2006 MILESTONES
- Home Depot opens 140,000 sq. ft. home improvement center. First commercial structure built under the City of Tehachapi’s Big Box Ordinance which requires enhanced architectural elements.
- City completes 4.5 million dollar streetscape improvement to the downtown business district to include decorative streetlights, tree lines, streets, landscape bulbouts and crosswalk enhancements.
- 80 unit Holiday Inn Express opens for business.
- 80 unit Marriott Hotel approved by the Planning Commission.
- Orchard Retail Center breaks ground to establish 42,000 sq. ft. of retail opportunities.
- City begins construction on a .75 acre park on the north side (Pioneer Park).
- Three fresh water wells were placed into operation adding significant capacity to the City’s water system.
- Wastewater Treatment Plant expansion design commenced to increase capacity by 100%.
- 30,550 sq. ft. mixed use commercial center completed by Jones Development.
- A 27,000 sq. ft. mixed use commercial center completed by Ennis Commercial. Center to be anchored by Starbucks, Coldstone Creamery, Ice Cream and Coco Pasa Restaurant.
- WalMart Corporation has closed escrow on a 30-acre site. WalMart will be the second commercial structure required to meet the City of Tehachapi Big Box Ordinance.
- 10,000 sq. ft. Ben Franklin Arts & Crafts Center approved on a 1.16-acre site in Capital Hills Business Park.

“...The City of Tehachapi, Tehachapi Chamber of Commerce, and Main Street Tehachapi know what it takes to get projects off the ground; and other cities could learn from them. Mostly, when a business approaches these organizations for help, advice, or ideas, the attitude is overwhelmingly, ‘How can we help to make your business prosper?’”

- Thomas and Colleen Kohnen, Kohnen Country Bakery

Elected Officials
Mayor Ed Grimes
Mayor Pro Tem Deborah Hand

Councilmembers
Stan Beckman
Philip Smith
Linda Vernon

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City Manager Jason Caudle
661/822-2200, ext. 108

Assistant City Manager
Greg Garrett
661/822-2200, ext. 105

Community Development Director
David James
661/822-2200, ext. 119

POPULATION BY ORIGIN
(GREATERTEAHACHAPI REGION) 36,588
- Not Hispanic or Latino: 62.87%
- Hispanic: 37.13%

POPULATION BY RACE
- White Alone: 74.0%
- African American: 2.0%
- Native American: 2.0%
- Asian/Pacific Islander: 1.0%
- Some Other Race: 18.0%
- Two or More Races: 3.0%
- Median Age: 32.38
- Male: 63.95%
- Female: 36.05%

AVERAGE FAMILY INCOME - CITY
$50,253
93561 $69,342

PUBLIC SAFETY
Crime Rate Per 100,000
U.S. Average: 10-25K pop
3,630

HOUSING
2006 Median Housing
$297,750

Annual % of Change
6.2%

Affordability Index
36.0%

Housing Units
3,275

Detached Units
2,106

Persons Per Household
2.67

Homeowners
54.7%

EDUCATION (EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT BY POP 25+)
7,991

- No High School Diploma: 18.80%
- High School Graduate: 27.70%
- Some College, no degree: 29.00%
- Associate’s Degree: 7.40%
- Bachelor’s Degree: 9.50%
- Master’s Degree: 4.80%
- Professional School Degree: 0.44%
- Doctoral Degree: 0.09%

WORKFORCE (CIV EMPLOYED BY POP 16+)
2,530

- Management/Financial Operations: 11.19%
- Professional Occupations: 13.2%
- Service: 25.93%
- Sales & Office: 24.82%
- Agricultural/Forestry: 2.33%
- Construction/Maintenance: 9.37%
- Manufacturing/Professional: 13.16%
- Spanish Speaking: 23.03%

Growth Rate Chart

Source: City of Tehachapi, GAVEA, Claritas Inc., CA-DOF, CAR, FBI, Kern COG, DataQuick.
Mojave
"Home of the Nation's First Inland Spaceport"

“Mojave Spaceport, America's first Inland Spaceport. Paving the way to the emerging Personal Spaceflight Industry.”
— Stuart O. Witt, General Manager, Mojave Spaceport
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1434 Flightline, Mojave, CA 93501

Rural Communities of the Greater Antelope Valley

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Source: Claritas, GAVEA

POPULATION BY ORIGIN
- Not Hispanic or Latino: 66.1%
- Hispanic: 33.9%

POPULATION BY RACE
- White Alone: 61.0%
- African American: 6.4%
- Native American: 1.2%
- Asian/Pacific Islander: 2.5%
- Some Other Race: 22.2%
- Two or More Races: 6.0%
- Median Age: 31.6
- Male: 50.64%
- Female: 49.36%

AVERAGE FAMILY INCOME - CITY
- $37,394
- 93501

HOUSING
- Homeowners: 52.1%

EDUCATION (EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT BY POP. 25+)
- No High School Diploma: 28.43%
- High School Graduate: 34.82%
- Some College, no degree: 25.23%
- Associate's Degree: 4.23%
- Bachelor's Degree: 4.04%
- Master's Degree: 1.93%
- Professional School Degree: 0.85%
- Doctoral Degree: 0.47%

WORKFORCE (CIV EMPLOYED BY POP. 16+)
- Management/Financial Operations: 5.62%
- Professional Occupations: 18.38%
- Service: 26.24%
- Sales & Office: 16.61%
- Agricultural/Forestry: 0.8%
- Construction/Maintenance: 15.97%
- Manufacturing/Professional: 16.37%
- Spanish Speaking: 21.22%
### 2006 Largest Employers

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<td>Boeing (2 divisions)</td>
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### Employment Industry by Sector

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### Annual Job Growth

- **% of Annual Job Growth**: 2.7%
- **Avg Annual Job Growth 2001-2005**: 7.3%
### PAYROLL GROWTH

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### GREATER ANTELOPE VALLEY AVERAGE SALARY BY INDUSTRY

![Graph depicting average salaries by industry](image)

**Source:** EDD, CSUN, GAVEA, SFVERC.
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 taxes, gross receipt taxes, utility taxes, property taxes, sales tax, state income taxes, fees, and other costs that may apply.

Listed is the Kosmont 2006 rating for Lancaster and Palmdale along with a comparison with other popular business locations:

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**Legend**

1. Cost Rating
   - Very Low Cost: The lowest possible rating
   - Low Cost: Cities that charge low fees and charges
   - Moderate Cost: Cities that charge moderately high fees and charges
   - High Cost: Cities with high cost
   - Very High Cost: The highest possible cost

2. Charges Gross Receipts Tax
3. Indicates rate of Utility Users Tax, if applicable.
4. Business tax rate comparison per $1,000 in receipts
5. Property Tax
6. Sales Tax

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**Antelope Valley**

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**Los Angeles County**

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<td>12.0%</td>
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**San Bernardino**

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<td>Apple Valley</td>
<td>Low Cost</td>
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<td>No</td>
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**Riverside**

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<td>Indio</td>
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<td>5.00%</td>
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<td>Riverside</td>
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<td>6.50%</td>
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**Central Valley**

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<td>Stockton</td>
<td>Very High</td>
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<td>Tulare</td>
<td>High Cost</td>
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<td>7.00%</td>
<td>1.0010%</td>
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**Inland Empire**

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<tr>
<td>Fontana</td>
<td>High Cost</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>4.00-5.00%</td>
<td>1.2000%</td>
<td>7.75%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Victorville</td>
<td>Moderate</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>1.2482%</td>
<td>7.75%</td>
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<tr>
<td>San Bernardino</td>
<td>Very High Cost</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>7.93-8.00%</td>
<td>$0.52</td>
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**Arizona**

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<tr>
<td>Chandler</td>
<td>Very High</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>9.05%</td>
<td>No</td>
<td>292.8100%</td>
<td>7.80%</td>
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<td>Phoenix</td>
<td>High Cost</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>9.00-11.00%</td>
<td>$0.05</td>
<td>182.0000%</td>
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<td>Tucson</td>
<td>Very High</td>
<td>Yes</td>
<td>6.25-9.50%</td>
<td>$0.05</td>
<td>225.0400%</td>
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*Source: Kosmont-Rose Institute*
PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION
Antelope Valley Transit Authority

JULY-JUNE

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Month</th>
<th>Commuter Ridership</th>
<th>Local Ridership</th>
<th>Dial-A-Ridership</th>
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<tr>
<td>July</td>
<td>21,916</td>
<td>22,281</td>
<td>22,438</td>
<td>22,657</td>
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<tr>
<td>August</td>
<td>21,992</td>
<td>22,235</td>
<td>23,821</td>
<td>27,454</td>
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<tr>
<td>September</td>
<td>21,201</td>
<td>24,402</td>
<td>23,367</td>
<td>26,929</td>
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<tr>
<td>October</td>
<td>24,815</td>
<td>25,672</td>
<td>23,282</td>
<td>32,078</td>
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<td>November</td>
<td>19,963</td>
<td>19,937</td>
<td>22,341</td>
<td>26,128</td>
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<tr>
<td>December</td>
<td>19,223</td>
<td>20,562</td>
<td>21,088</td>
<td>22,662</td>
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<td>January</td>
<td>21,966</td>
<td>22,050</td>
<td>23,182</td>
<td>22,557</td>
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<tr>
<td>February</td>
<td>20,093</td>
<td>22,687</td>
<td>23,642</td>
<td>24,348</td>
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<tr>
<td>March</td>
<td>22,916</td>
<td>27,184</td>
<td>27,827</td>
<td>27,416</td>
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<tr>
<td>April</td>
<td>23,344</td>
<td>24,425</td>
<td>25,792</td>
<td>28,873</td>
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<tr>
<td>May</td>
<td>22,467</td>
<td>22,776</td>
<td>25,395</td>
<td>27,295</td>
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<tr>
<td>June</td>
<td>22,186</td>
<td>23,940</td>
<td>26,301</td>
<td>27,339</td>
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<tr>
<td>Total</td>
<td>262,084</td>
<td>277,451</td>
<td>289,022</td>
<td>312,740</td>
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Combined total ridership for 2005-2006: 3,030,128

*Not available after year 2005

AVTA business office hours are Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm.
Located at 42210 6th Street West • Lancaster, CA 93534 • 661/945-9445 • Fax 661/729-2615

Metrolink

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>October Daily Ridership and Daily Station Boardings</th>
<th>2005</th>
<th>2006</th>
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<tr>
<td>Santa Clarita</td>
<td>479</td>
<td>396</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Lancaster</td>
<td>375</td>
<td>348</td>
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<tr>
<td>Santa Clarita</td>
<td>363</td>
<td>211</td>
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<tr>
<td>Palmdale</td>
<td>277</td>
<td>307</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Newhall</td>
<td>264</td>
<td>511</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sylmar/San Fernando Valley</td>
<td>242</td>
<td>356</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Vincent</td>
<td>212</td>
<td>282</td>
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<tr>
<td>Burbank</td>
<td>133</td>
<td>25</td>
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<tr>
<td>Glendale</td>
<td>89</td>
<td>130</td>
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<tr>
<td>Sun Valley</td>
<td>19</td>
<td>77</td>
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For personalized commute planning and Metrolink information, call the Customer Service Center at 800/371-LINK (5465). Recorded Metrolink schedules are available 24 hours a day and operators are available Monday through Friday from 6:00 am to 8:00 pm and Saturday 8:00 am to 5:00 pm.

Commuters
By Type

2% Business Trip
81% Work Commuters
17% Non-Work

Ethnicity
Caucasian 49.0%
Hispanic 21.4%
African American 13.9%
Asian/Pacific Islander 11.8%
Other 3.9%

Generational Segment
Baby Boomers (1946-64) 53%
Generation X (1965-76) 26%
Generation Y (1977-94) 22%
Swing Generation (1933-45) 9%
GI Generation (pre 1933) 1%

A.Y. Line
Number of Trains
Average Daily Ridership
Average Speed
Average

July-Sept.2006
24
7,540
42 mph
1,953
40 mph
2,124
42 mph
7,037
42 mph
6,670
41 mph
5,733
41 mph
5,977
6,109
5,977
ANTEUOE VALLEY ENTERPRISE ZONE
www.avez.org

The Enterprise Zone is a California Income Tax Incentive Program.
Covers approximately 61 square miles and encompasses industrial
and commercial property in Palmdale, Lancaster and unincorporated
Los Angeles County.
Carries refund potential for companies currently residing in the zone
and reduced or eliminated state income tax opportunities prospectively
for businesses located in the zone.
Five different tax incentives available:
1. Hiring Credit A business may save over $31,000, per employee, in
state income taxes, over 5 years. 2. Sales and Use Tax Credit On the
purchase of up to $1 million of qualified manufacturing equipment,
corporations up to $20 million; 3. Business Expense Deduction Partial
cost of certain property may be deducted as a business expense; 4. Net
Interest Deduction for Lenders A deduction from income on loans made
to a trade or business in the zone. 5. Net Operating Loss Carryover
Individual or corporations that show a net operating loss from doing
business within the Zone may be able to carry that loss over to future
years to reduce future tax liability.

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<tr>
<th>Hiring</th>
<th>Average</th>
<th>Number of</th>
<th>Potential</th>
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<tr>
<td>Vouchers Issued</td>
<td>Hourly Wage</td>
<td>Participating Employers</td>
<td>Savings Over 5 Years</td>
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<tr>
<td>1997</td>
<td>$7.30</td>
<td>41</td>
<td>$5,394,168</td>
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<tr>
<td>1998</td>
<td>$10.52</td>
<td>40</td>
<td>$16,835,644</td>
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<td>$7.10</td>
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<td>$15,141,322</td>
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<td>9,144</td>
<td>780</td>
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The chart illustrates the actual number of NV Employers utilizing the Enterprise Zone hiring
benefits since 1997 demonstrating the potential savings. There are a number of EZ tax benefits
companies could be using other than the hiring tax credit that we are not able to track.

MANUFACTURING BUSINESS WITH 10 EMPLOYEES

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<th>Hiring Credit</th>
<th>Cumulative Total</th>
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<td>Year 1</td>
<td>$4,125</td>
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<td>Year 2</td>
<td>$84,198</td>
<td>$193,571</td>
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<td>Year 3</td>
<td>$63,149</td>
<td>$256,720</td>
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<td>$47,099</td>
<td>$298,819</td>
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<td>Year 5</td>
<td>$32,050</td>
<td>$319,869</td>
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Assumptions: Company is a corporation. $50,000 of qualifying equipment purchased. Ten eligible full-time employees hired 1st
year. Maximum 2004 hiring benefit applied ($10,000 max). Sales Tax rate is 8.25%.

MANUFACTURING BUSINESS WITH 100 EMPLOYEES

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<th>Cumulative Total</th>
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<td>$165,000</td>
<td>$789,360</td>
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<td>Year 2</td>
<td>$82,500</td>
<td>$894,608</td>
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<td>Year 3</td>
<td>$68,112</td>
<td>$2,615,580</td>
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<td>Year 4</td>
<td>$473,616</td>
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<td>$263,120</td>
<td>$3,352,316</td>
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<td>Year 6</td>
<td>$57,624</td>
<td>$3,409,940</td>
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Assumptions: Company is a corporation. Qualifying equipment purchased 1st year is $2 million. Qualifying equipment pur-
chased 2nd year is $1 million. 75 eligible full-time employees hired 1st year, 25 eligible full-time employees hired 2nd year.
Maximum 2004 hiring benefit applied ($10,000 max). Sales Tax rate 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.

FOREIGN TRADE ZONE (FTZ)
Palmdale/California City/Mojave
The Foreign Trade Zone encompasses sites in the City of Palmdale and California City. The Mojave Airport offers international
traders, importers, and exportes outstanding opportunities to take advantage of special customs privileges. These incentives can lower
barriers to trade, improve cash flow, and reduce or eliminate duty rates for goods.
Companies that locate with the FTZ may qualify for special financial incentives such as:
- Paying no duties on labor, overhead, or profit from FTZ operations
- Enjoying substantially discounted cargo rates
- Deferring Harbor Maintenance fees
- Re-exporting materials duty-free
- Adding value to the goods without affecting the assessed value
- Eliminating delays in customs clearance and duty drawback procedures
- And many more incentives and benefits as well
If you import goods or materials for your business, please contact Donna Plummer, FTZ Manager for the City of Palmdale, for more
information.

South Valley WorkSource Center, Palmdale, California
The South Valley WorkSource Center, which was opened in October 2005, provides a host of services to both employers and
employees. Services for businesses include:
- No-cost job postings both locally and via the Internet using our searchable on-line job bank
- Customized recruiting to help you fill positions quickly
- Skills assessments of potential candidates to ensure they meet your criteria
- On-the-job and pre-employment training
Please contact the South Valley WorkSource Center at 661/265-1817 for more information or visit us at 1817 E. Ave. Q.
Unit A-12 or www.cityofpalmdale.org/swc.

WorkSource California Antelope Valley One-Stop Career Center, Lancaster, California
The WorkSource California Antelope Valley One-Stop Career Center offers an array of services to both employers and job
seekers. Services include:
- Recruiting and screening of applicants
- Skills assessments
- Support for job fairs and open houses
- Referrals to training providers for occupational skills training
- No fee internet-based automated system to place job openings
- Access to job leads
- Computers, telephones, copiers and fax machines
- Job seeking workshops
- Resume creation
For more information contact the WorkSource California Antelope Valley One-Stop Career Center at 661/726-4128 or visit us at 1420
West Avenue I, in Lancaster or go to www.av.worksource.ca.gov.
The SBA 504 loan is fully amortized over 20 years and incorporates a below market fixed interest rate. Advantages of the SBA 504 Loan Program include preservation of working capital made possible by a lower down payment, as well as attractive long-term rates.

The SBA 504 Loan Program has enjoyed great success with business owners across the U.S., and in particular, in California over the last twenty years. $5.8 billion of SBA 504 loans were made in fiscal year 2006.

Business owners are encouraged to explore the benefits of the SBA 504 Loan Program by contacting California Statewide CDC. California Statewide CDC is a non-profit organization licensed by the U.S. Small Business Administration to assist small business enterprises with long term financing for the purchase of owner-user commercial/industrial real estate.

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$15 MILLION GRANT LAUNCHES CALIFORNIA SPACE ENTERPRISE PROJECT

Local Partners
- Greater Antelope Valley Economic Alliance
- Antelope Valley Board of Trade
- Kern Economic Development Corporation

February 1, 2006, the California Space Authority, in conjunction with a grant from the Department of Labor, launched a three-year $15 million "Workforce Transformation" project. The WIRED (Workforce Innovation in Regional Economic Development) initiative consists of more than 60 partners from 13 California counties within a region identified as the "California Innovation Corridor" and is a joint effort of industry, government, and education.

WIRED is an expression of President Bush’s belief that developing and applying the American people's skills in productive and innovative ways is critical to keeping our nation competitive in the global economy.

The California Space Authority initiative will ensure that we continue to lead the world by supporting the creativity of a new generation of entrepreneurs, by training a highly-skilled workforce that can adapt and succeed in a rapidly changing and increasingly competitive global economy of the 21st century, by transforming new ideas and new knowledge into advanced, high-quality products and services... in other words, to innovate and commercialize.
Lancaster

Looking back, 2006 was a great year for industrial development in Lancaster. The City’s economy continues to expand, creating new opportunities and jobs for local residents. As Lancaster’s population continues to increase, new employers are moving in to take advantage of our growing workforce, great land prices, and attractive location. Much of the City’s recent development has occurred in the Lancaster Business Park; now home to more than 100 employers and over 4,100 employees. Rapid expansion is also underway in the Fox Field Industrial Corridor and the North Valley Industrial Center.

In 2006, over 700,000 square feet of industrial development was approved, was already under construction, or was completed in Lancaster. Most of this new development was in the form of industrial condos or “spec” development. They give Lancaster an advantage in attracting new businesses, and help existing businesses to expand. This year, companies such as Dal-Tile, SCP Distributors, SCE Gaskets, Morton’s Machine Shop, Calvert Racing, along with many others, have taken advantage of this new industrial development in Lancaster.

Palmdale

Palmdale’s dynamic growth continued in 2006, which was a phenomenal year for development. Throughout the City, industrial and commercial/office space totaling over two million square feet completed construction or was approved for construction. The Fairway Business Park and Palmdale Trade and Commerce Center are experiencing a major portion of that growth. A multitude of industrial, commercial, and office construction in these centers is providing a showcase of available space.
BUSINESS/INDUSTRIAL PARKS

Lancaster

Fox Field Industrial Corridor
Location: Avenue H west of SR 14
Total Acreage: 5,000
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: Specific Plan

Enterprise Business Park
Location: Sierra Hwy and Avenue K-8
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

Challenger Business Park
Location: Palmdale Blvd. and 5th St. W.
Total Acreage: 10
Zoning: Commercial

Fairway Business Park
Location: Avenue 0 and Division St.
Total Acreage: 115
Zoning: Business Park/Mixed

Freeway Business Center
Location: State Highway 14 and Avenue N
Total Acreage: 30
Zoning: Commercial

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

Park One Industrial Park
Location: Rancho Vista Blvd. and 10th St. E.
Total Acreage: 10
Zoning: Industrial and Commercial

Sierra Business Park
Location: 10th West and Avenue M-4
Total Acreage: 30
Zoning: Commercial

Sierra Gateway Park
Location: Ave O-8 and Sierra Hwy
Total Acreage: 133
Zoning: Commercial

California City

Airport Business Park
Location: California City Municipal Airport
Total Acreage: 40
Zoning: Industrial and M1

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 Blvd. & Ward Avenue
Total Acreage: 63
Zoning: Professional/Light Industrial

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

Inyokern

Inyokern Airport Industrial Dist.
Location: Inyokern Blvd.
Total Acreage: 40
Zoning: Light Industrial/Mixed

Tehachapi

Goodrick Business Park
Location: Dennison Rd Parkway/Goodrick Rd.
Total Acreage: approx. 110
Zoning: M-2

Capital Hills Business Park
Location: Capital Hills Pkwy/Mills Road
Total Acreage: approx. 122
Zoning: C-3

RECENT INDUSTRIAL PROJECTS

Lancaster

Lancaster Business Park
UDC development 86,000 sq. ft.
Teitelbaum 80,000 sq. ft.

Fox Field Industrial Corridor
Larwin 220,000 sq. ft.
Oates 194,490 sq. ft.

North Valley Industrial Center
84 Lumber 34,450 sq. ft.

Palmdale

Palmdale Trade & Commerce Center
219,535 sq. ft. of medical office space under various stages of development
584,763 sq. ft. of commercial and industrial space under development

New industrial base report to be released mid-year 2007
## Retail Sales Growth

### Lancaster Retail Sales

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Year</th>
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<th>Food Stores</th>
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### Total Growth

- Total: 12.33%
NEW BUSINESS LOANS & LICENSES

In L.A. County, approximately 71% of the businesses have five (5) or fewer employees with approximately 82% of the businesses having ten (10) or fewer employees. In an effort to measure the economic growth and monitor the inflow of capital into the area, the following chart has been prepared. Under the Community Reinvestment Act, the Federal Reserve requires certain banks to report business loans which are tracked on a census tract basis. The following chart is a summation of the report for the Antelope Valley.

### 2005 Reported Business Loans
### Under $1 Million in the Antelope Valley

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<th>2005</th>
<th>% of Change 2005-2006</th>
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<td><strong>$100,000 or less</strong></td>
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<td>7,772</td>
<td>8,537</td>
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<td><strong>Greater than $100,000 but less than $250,000</strong></td>
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<td>97</td>
<td>95</td>
<td>83</td>
<td>97</td>
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<td><strong>Amount (in millions)</strong></td>
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<td><strong>Greater than $250,000 but less than 1 Million</strong></td>
<td><strong>Number of loans</strong></td>
<td>77</td>
<td>89</td>
<td>80</td>
<td>58</td>
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<td><strong>Amount (in millions)</strong></td>
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<td>$44,000,000</td>
<td>$45,000,000</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td><strong>Number of loans</strong></td>
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<td>8,692</td>
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<td><strong>Amount (in millions)</strong></td>
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<td>$124,000,000</td>
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<td>$131,287,000</td>
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<td><strong>Loans to Firms with Revenues less than $1 Million</strong></td>
<td><strong>Number of loans</strong></td>
<td>1,761</td>
<td>2,671</td>
<td>2,749</td>
<td>4,065</td>
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<td><strong>Amount (in millions)</strong></td>
<td>$46,000,000</td>
<td>$51,000,000</td>
<td>$58,000,000</td>
<td>$65,586,000</td>
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### NEW BUSINESS LICENSES

Source: City of Lancaster, City of Palmdale, SFVERC. *Includes Rental Housing Businesses.
MOTION PICTURE AND
TELEVISION PRODUCTION

The film and media production industry is a vital economic engine to Los Angeles County, employing 249,000 people with revenues of more than $28 billion. And thanks to the multiple options there are to choose from here in the Antelope Valley, we have become a place of interest as well. Directors, producers, photographers, and the like have been choosing our Valley as a place to use as the backdrop to their movies, commercials, television shows, music videos, and ad campaigns. The Antelope Valley Film Office has been able to work with these directors and such over the past year which has generated an estimated economic impact of over 6 million dollars. There were a total of 248 projects that came to equal 409 shoot days here in the Antelope Valley.

The film office works closely scouting and locating property owners for permission to shoot on their property. They also receive permission to use our local areas of interest, such as our stadium, local businesses, and historical landmarks.

Their website is sophisticated and showcases the Greater Antelope Valley. Production personnel are able to download pertinent information, photos, permit details, and then apply for a permit online. Users can be linked to a number of city pages, businesses, locations, and crew.

The Office:
- Hours 24/7
- Only industry holidays observed

Services Provided:
- Specialized technical support
- Permits coordinated and released within hours, days at most, depending on complexity
- On-location problems solved efficiently around the clock

Contact the Antelope Valley Film Office at 661/723-6090 and the Palmdale Film, Convention & Visitors Bureau at 661/267-5120.

$6,610,000 in economic benefit for the year 2006

AGRICULTURE AND
THE ANTELOPE VALLEY

- Antelope Valley farmland is estimated at almost 21,000 acres. Eastern Kern County was not estimated due to insufficient data.

- Some of the top crops grown in Los Angeles County are carrots, peaches, and dry onions are grown in the Antelope Valley.

- Antelope Valley growers produce 100% of many other agricultural crops. The chart below indicates 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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<tr>
<th>Fruit &amp; Nut Crops</th>
<th>2005 Total Value</th>
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<th>2002 Total Value</th>
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<td>Cherries</td>
<td>$18,808,000</td>
<td>$15,746,000</td>
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<td>Apples</td>
<td>$399,000</td>
<td>$954,000</td>
<td>$17,455,000</td>
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<td>Orchard Fruit*</td>
<td>100%</td>
<td>150 acres</td>
<td>1,073 acres</td>
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<th>Vegetable &amp; Field Crops</th>
<th>2005 Total Value</th>
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<tr>
<td>Root*</td>
<td>$8,858,000</td>
<td>$28,866,000</td>
<td>$18,000,000</td>
<td>$12,434,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Dry Onions</td>
<td>100%</td>
<td>2,677 acres</td>
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<td>$12,434,000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Alfalfa Hay</td>
<td>100%</td>
<td>5,521 acres</td>
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<td>$12,434,000</td>
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<td>Grain Hay</td>
<td>100%</td>
<td>2,694 acres</td>
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<td>**2005 Total Value</td>
<td>$56,967,000</td>
<td>$54,631,000</td>
<td>$99,436,000</td>
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*Includes nectarines, peaches, plums, pears & apricots
**Includes carrots, potatoes, radishes, & other root vegetables

Source: Antelope Valley Film Office, LA Agricultural Report.
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 55%, just over half of the average price of a home in Valencia and Palmdale’s is just 62%! Lancaster and Palmdale both offer an affordable alternative to Santa Clarita homes!

Far from the typical perception of an affordable housing market, the Antelope Valley offers a large assortment of spacious homes in a variety of settings including gated and golf course communities, equestrian estates, as well as, various low density custom home developments, all at some of the most affordable prices in California.
ANTELOPE VALLEY HOME SALES 2006

Sales activity in each of the Antelope Valley submarkets pretty much followed statewide trends with a 28% decrease in the total number of homes sold along with the average sales price of the Antelope Valley home increasing 10% valleywide. This activity does not include new home sales.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>AREA</th>
<th>NUMBER OF UNITS SOLD</th>
<th>AVERAGE PRICE PER SQ FT</th>
<th>AVERAGE SALE PRICE</th>
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<td>2006</td>
<td>% CHANGE</td>
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<td>531</td>
<td>260</td>
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<td>Ridgecrest</td>
<td>666</td>
<td>471</td>
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<td>Rosamond Area</td>
<td>340</td>
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<td>Tehachapi Area</td>
<td>617</td>
<td>298</td>
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<td>Antelope Acres</td>
<td>82</td>
<td>55</td>
<td>-33%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Lake Los Angeles</td>
<td>415</td>
<td>328</td>
<td>-21%</td>
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<tr>
<td>East Lancaster</td>
<td>1,621</td>
<td>1,198</td>
<td>-26%</td>
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<td>West Lancaster</td>
<td>2,214</td>
<td>1,716</td>
<td>-22%</td>
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<tr>
<td>West Palmdale</td>
<td>1,259</td>
<td>922</td>
<td>-27%</td>
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<tr>
<td>East Palmdale</td>
<td>2,474</td>
<td>1,877</td>
<td>-24%</td>
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<td>Littlerock</td>
<td>370</td>
<td>257</td>
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<td>Leona Valley</td>
<td>90</td>
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<td>All Areas</td>
<td>10,679</td>
<td>7,665</td>
<td>-28%</td>
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AVERAGE SALES PRICE 2001 - 2006

Source: First American Real Estate Solutions.
### Building Permits

#### Antelope Valley New Home Sales

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<td>5%</td>
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<td>$365,569</td>
<td>10%</td>
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<td>West Lancaster</td>
<td>828</td>
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<td>-19%</td>
<td>$415,909</td>
<td>$458,663</td>
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<td>West Palmdale</td>
<td>412</td>
<td>434</td>
<td>5%</td>
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<td>$467,189</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
<td>1,886</td>
<td>1,831</td>
<td>-3%</td>
<td>$391,999</td>
<td>$428,716</td>
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New home sales in Lancaster and Palmdale markets totaled 1,831 units in 2006. Although this represents a decrease of 3% over 2005, these 1,831 units sold in 2006 were 48% more than the 1,240 units sold in 2004 and 118% over the 841 units in 2003!

#### Palmdale New Housing Units

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<tr>
<th>Year</th>
<th>Single Family</th>
<th>Multi-Family</th>
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<td>$281,265</td>
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10,144 detached Single Family Building Permits issued in Los Angeles County in 2006. 33.20% of these were issued in the Antelope Valley.
Health care services in the Antelope Valley are provided by a network of hospitals, major physician groups, free-standing surgical facilities, long-term care facilities, home care, public health agencies, public and private paramedic services, and local ambulance services.

The major hospital institutions are as follows:

**Antelope Valley Hospital (AVH)** is a full-service hospital with 380 licensed beds and is owned and operated by the Antelope Valley Healthcare District, a public, not-for-profit agency. Services: Critical Care, Neonatal Intensive Care, Definitive Observation, Emergency Department, Medical Surgical, Obstetrics, Pediatrics, Surgery including Open Heart, Cardiac Catheterization Laboratory, Home Health, Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Laboratory, Radiology, CT Scan and MRI, Nuclear Medicine, Outpatient Clinics. Call 661/949-5000 for information or visit www.avhospital.org.

**Lancaster Community Hospital (LCH)** is a 117-bed community hospital and is owned and operated by Universal Health Services, a for-profit hospital chain based in King of Prussia, PA. Services: Critical Care, Telemetry, Emergency Department, Medical Surgical, Surgery including: Weight-loss surgery, Open Heart, Cardiac Catheterization Laboratory, Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Pediatric Speech Therapy, Acute Rehabilitation Center Laboratory, Radiology, CT Scan, MRI, Nuclear Medicine, Free Senior Advantage Membership, and Free Physician Referral and Health and Information Line — 800/851-9780.

Universal Health Services has launched a 250-bed full-service hospital in Palmdale on the corner of Tierra Subida and 10th Street West. The new Palmdale facility will be built with all private rooms and is expected to open with 171-licensed beds. The hospital will also have the largest emergency room in the Antelope Valley with 35 beds.

For more information on LCH programs and services, access the website at: www.lancastercommunityhospital.net.

The major medical groups are:
- High Desert Medical Group (HDMG)
- Kaiser Permanente (K/P)
- Sierra Medical Group (SMG)

High Desert Medical Group (HDMG), Heritage Health Care, and California Desert Medical Group have proudly served the Antelope Valley community for twenty-five years and are committed to providing the highest quality health care services in the area. The clinics offer such amenities as Family Practice, Internal Medicine, Pediatrics, Health Education, Allergy, Endocrinology, Surgery, onsite CVS Pharmacy, and Urgent Care open 365 days a year until midnight. The groups have over 50 primary care providers and specialty clinics including Radiology, Speech Therapy, Orthopedics, Podiatry, Lab, Rheumatology, and Occupational Medicine. To better serve patients, clinics are conveniently located in Lancaster, Palmdale, Tehachapi, Rosamond, California City, and Boron.

High Desert Medical Group offers a full range of general and specialized medical services, including 24-hour physician on-call access. They are affiliated with local hospitals in the Antelope Valley as well as recognized out-of-area medical facilities in Los Angeles and neighboring cities. Their groups accept over 100 different insurances including: PPO, POS, EPO, Private Insurance, Medicare, and Employer/State Sponsored Health Plans. High Desert Medical Group is also the proud sponsor of two annual community health events — Life Festival and Senior Expo. For more information regarding our events, services, and physicians, please log on to the website at www.hdmg.net or call 800/266-HDMG.

**Kaiser Permanente (K/P)** has the largest medical group in California with over 4,000 physicians. In the Antelope Valley there are 80 full-time physicians. Services: offered on their Lancaster and Palmdale campuses — Primary Care areas of OB/GYN, Pediatrics, Internal Medicine, and Family Medicine. Specialty Care offered at the Lancaster campuses: Allergy, Cardiology, Endocrinology, Gastroenterology, Neurology, Rheumatology, General Surgery, Orthopedic Surgery, Podiatry, Head and Neck Surgery (ENT), Ophthalmology including Retinal Surgery, Urology, Dermatology, Physical Medicine, Psychiatry, Chemical Dependency Rehab, and Urgent Care. Additional Services offered on the Kaiser campuses include: Allergy Shots, Audiology, Chemotherapy, Echocardiogram, EEG, EKG, Holter, Health Education, Home Health, Hospice, Infusion Clinic, Laboratory, Laser Eye Surgery, Mammography, Mental Health Group Programs, Nutrition Counseling, Occupational Therapy, Optical-Glasses & Contacts, Outpatient Procedural Sedation - GI Laboratory and Laparoscopic Surgery, Immunizations, Pharmacy, Physical Therapy, Radiology, Respiratory Therapy, Sigmoidoscopy, Social Services, Speech Therapy, Treadmill, Ultrasound. Call 661/405-5157 for more information or visit us at www.kaiserpermanente.org.

**Sierra Medical Group (SMG)** is a physician network with 12 primary care physicians in 2 locations. As a network, SMG 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. Call 661/945-9411 for more information or go to www.sierramedicalgroup.com.
Freestanding surgical centers
- Antelope Valley Surgery Center
- Regional Valley Surgery Center

Long Term care is provided by
- Antelope Valley Convalescent Hospital
- Antelope Valley Hospital
- Antelope Valley Nursing Care Center
- Lancaster Convalescent Hospital
- Mayflower Gardens Convalescent Hospital

Home Care and Hospice
- Antelope Valley Home Care
- AV Home Care with Services
- Accredited Home Care Services
- Advantage Home Care
- GT Home Health Care Services
- Hoffmann Hospice
- Kaiser Permanente Home & Hospice Care
- Masters Medical Home Care
- ProCare Hospice
- St. Jude Home Care
- Sun Alliance Hospice
- Sun Plus Home Care

Adult Day Health Care Centers
- AV Adult Day Health Care
- Chateau La Petite
- Lancaster Adult Day Health Care
- Ultra Care Adult Day Health Care

Dialysis Centers
- AV Dialysis Center on AVH campus
- East Palmdale Dialysis
- Fresenius Dialysis Center (Kaiser Permanente)
- High Desert Hemodialysis
- Palmdale Regional Dialysis

Chiropractic
There are approximately 86 Chiropractic Doctors in the Antelope Valley. Most are solo practitioners.

Dentists
There are approximately 158 Dentists in the Antelope Valley of which 5 are Oral & Maxillofacial surgeons and 13 are Orthodontists.

Ambulance
- American Medical Response Paramedic and BLS
- Antelope Ambulance BLS

Public Health
- Antelope Valley Health Center
Services: Family Medicine Primary Care, Family Planning Clinic, Immunizations, OB/Gynecology - Prenatal, Pregnancy Test, T.B./Chest Clinic, Walk-In Clinic.

- LA County High Desert Hospital Complex
Services: While the hospital is closed, the facility provides a full spectrum of outpatient services.

Childcare
There are 94 childcare facilities listed in the yellow pages for Lancaster/Palmdale only.
Soaring to New Heights
The Antelope Valley Superintendents' Council reports Valley schools continue to meet and exceed performance targets. "The Valley has a long history of district collaboration as Superintendents and Program Administrators meet together on a monthly basis to improve instruction valley wide," states Superintendent's Council President Regina Rossall. (Mrs. Rossall is Superintendent of the Westside Union School District) Articulation of efforts for program development and improvement in student achievement have a strong history in this Valley. Districts work together to make standards-based instruction consistent across the valley. Training of staff is also a shared experience. Program Administrators from all districts meet on a monthly basis for valley-wide improvement of instruction. The result is annual improvement in Academic Performance Index Scores (API), the state grading system for public schools. Every public school in the Antelope Valley has improved its state-wide ranking. An average gain of 87 points on the State API for schools valley-wide is attributed to strong school site leadership teams (with parent participation), research-based instructional programs, tutoring, and intervention programs for students at risk of dropping out. The Superintendents' Council sets annual goals for program improvement. Most recently, the Valley school districts have set their sights on assuring that all eighth grade students meet state standards in algebra.

Public Schools

Acton-Agua Dulce
Unified District (K-12)
32248 Crown Valley Road
Acton, CA 93510
661/269-5999
Students: 1,894  Schools: 4

Antelope Valley Union
High School District
44811 Sierra Highway
Lancaster, CA 93534
661/948-7655
Students: 24,722  Schools: 12

Eastside Union School District (K-8)
6742 East Avenue H
Lancaster, CA 93535
661/946-2813
Students: 3,300  Schools: 4

Gorman School District (K-8)
49847 Gorman School Road
Gorman, CA 93243
Mailing: P.O. Box 104
661/248-6441
Students: 2,434  Schools: 4

Hughes-Elizabeth Lake
Union School District (K-8)
16633 Elizabeth Lake Road
Lakes Hughes, CA 93532
661/724-1231
Students: 367  Schools: 1

Keppel Union School District (K-8)
34004 128th Street East
Pearl Blossom, CA 93535
661/944-2155
Students: 3,105  Schools: 6
Private Schools

Antelope Valley Adventist Academy
Lancaster 661/942-6552
2005 Enrollment: 79  Grade: K-8th
2006 Enrollment: 86

Antelope Valley Christian
Lancaster 661/943-0044
2005 Enrollment: 370  Grade: P-12th
2006 Enrollment: 386

Bethel Christian Academy
Lancaster 661/943-2224
2005 Enrollment: 475  Grade: P-12th
2006 Enrollment: 458

Desert Christian School
Lancaster 661/948-5071
2005 Enrollment: 1,680  Grade: P-12th
2006 Enrollment: 1,689

Desert Vineyard Christian School
Lancaster 661/948-3766
2005 Enrollment: 140  Grade: P-6th
2006 Enrollment: 152

Grace Lutheran School
Lancaster 661/948-1018
2005 Enrollment: 180  Grade: P-8th
2006 Enrollment: 175

Lancaster Baptist School
Lancaster 661/946-4663
Grade: K-12th  Enrollment: 456

Lancaster Christian School
Lancaster 661/942-2137
2005 Enrollment: 110  Grade: K-8th
2006 Enrollment: 100

Paradete High School
Lancaster 661/943-3255
2005 Enrollment: 781  Grade: 9th-12th
2006 Enrollment: 780

Pinecrest School
Lancaster/Palmdale 661/723-0366
2005 Enrollment: 285  Grade: P-8th
2006 Enrollment: 310

Pearblossom Private School
Pearblossom 661/944-0914
2005 Enrollment: 200  Grade: K-12th
2006 Enrollment: 400

Sacred Heart Catholic School
Lancaster 661/948-3613
2005 Enrollment: 317  Grade: K-8th
2006 Enrollment: 317

St. Mary's Catholic School
Lancaster 661/273-5555
2005 Enrollment: 320  Grade: K-8th
2006 Enrollment: 314

Westside Christian School
Palmdale 661/947-7000
2005 Enrollment: 310  Grade: K-8th
2006 Enrollment: 332

Total 2005 Enrollment: 5,247
Total 2006 Enrollment: 5,955
ANTEOPE VALLEY COLLEGE

Antelope Valley's higher education institutions continue to grow to meet the demands of a fast-growing population.

The Valley's oldest higher education institution, Antelope Valley College, recently added a new program in respiratory therapy and, in cooperation with the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, opened the Sheriff's Training Academy at Antelope Valley College. The community college also expanded its highly successful registered nursing program.

Antelope Valley officials expect to break ground later this year on the first of several major building projects, funded by the state and a $139 million local bond. Officials hope to expand the capacity of the Lancaster campus to more than 20,000 students and add a second permanent campus in Palmdale. AVC's Lancaster campus also hosts California State University Bakersfield-Antelope Valley, which provides upper division and graduate degree programs.

Higher education officials have been working closely on a number of initiatives, including a Joint Engineering Program and Pathways, which will promote the training of grade school teachers in mathematics and science.

3041 West Avenue K
Lancaster, CA 93536
661/722-6300 • www.avc.edu

District Size .................................. 1,945 Square Miles
Lancaster Campus Size ........................... 135 Acres
Number of Buildings ............................. 31
Budget 2005-2006 .................................. $58.4 Million

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 that is designed to train employees and solve business problems at a substantial savings to local business and industry.

Career and Technical Education Programs

CERRO COSO COMMUNITY COLLEGE
3000 College Heights Blvd.
Ridgecrest, CA 93555
760/384-6100 • www.cerrocoso.edu
Ridgecrest Campus Size ............................. 320 Acres

STUDENTS / PROGRAMS
Number of Degree Programs Offered .................. 31
Fall 2005 Student Enrollment .......................... 4,885

FACULTY / STAFF
Number of Assistant/Associate Professors ................ 33
Number of Professors .................................. 19
Percentage of full-time male faculty .................... 52%
Percentage of full-time female faculty .................. 48%
Total Faculty ........................................... 52
Percentage of Faculty holding Ph.D ...................... 23%

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

ACADEMIC CALENDAR
16-week fall and spring semesters
5-week intersession
Summer sessions

STUDENTS / PROGRAMS
Fall 2005 Student Enrollment .......................... 13,035
Courses offered, Fall 2005 .............................. 1,829
Associate Degree Programs ............................. 67
Certificate Programs .................................... 56

FACULTY / STAFF
Total number of full-time faculty ...................... 194
Percentage holding Ph.D.s ............................... 19%
Total Number of Employees ............................ 837
THE AERO INSTITUTE
38236 Sierra Highway
Palmdale, CA 93550
661/276-2376
www.aeroinc.org

The Aero Institute, located at The Palmdale Institute of Technology building in the Palmdale Civic Center, is a unique collaboration between the City of Palmdale, the California Space Grant Foundation, and the NASA Dryden Flight Research Center's Office of Academic Investment. The institute, developed for the study of aerospace engineering and design, hosts some of the most prestigious universities in the nation including Purdue University College of Engineering; California State Polytechnic University, Pomona; University of Southern California Viterbi School of Engineering; University of California, San Diego Jacobs School of Engineering; California State Polytechnic University, San Luis Obispo; and Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University.

CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY, BAKERSFIELD
ANTELOPE VALLEY CAMPUS
43009 30th Street West
Lancaster, CA 93536
661/952-5000
www.csub.edu/AV

The campus is located on the North Campus of Antelope Valley College and operates the Lancaster University Center.

CSUB-AV's expanding catalog offers Bachelor Degree programs in Business, Child, Adolescent and Family Studies, 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 AVC and CSU Fresno (fourth year work to be completed off campus). Master's Degrees are also available in Social Work, Educational Administration, and Education Curriculum and Instruction. Teaching credential programs offered are Single Subject, Special Education, and Elementary Education. CSUB-AV also offers certificate programs in three different areas.

CHAPMAN UNIVERSITY
40015 Sierra Highway #B-160
Palmdale, CA 93550
661/276-3201
www.chapman.edu

Five Bachelor Degree programs, three Master Degree programs, and five educational credential programs offered in the Antelope Valley.

EMBRY RIDDLE AERONAUTICAL UNIVERSITY
886/462-3728
www.erau.edu


LANCASTER UNIVERSITY CENTER
45336 Division Street
Lancaster, CA 93535
661/273-6429

Developed by the City of Lancaster as part of the revitalization of the old fairground site, the new 20,000 square foot University Center includes state-of-the-art classrooms, well-equipped labs and complete administrative facilities. The $3.5 million conversion of Challenger Hall was funded by the Lancaster Redevelopment Agency.

UNIVERSITY OF LA VERNE
41253 12th Street West
Palmdale, CA 93551
661/273-6038
www.ulv.edu

Bachelor and Master Degrees offered in Palmdale.

UNIVERSITY OF PHOENIX
1202 West Avenue J
Lancaster, CA 93534
661/940-6851
www.phoenix.edu

Seven Bachelor Degree programs offered, along with eleven Master Degree programs, and two educational credential programs.

WEST COAST BAPTIST COLLEGE
4020 East Lancaster Boulevard
Lancaster, CA 93535
661/946-4663
www.westcoastbaptist.edu

West Coast Baptist College opened its doors in September of 1995. This private seminary college offers Bachelor and Master Degree programs.
'First Flight'
ANTELOPE VALLEY’S
AEROSPACE COMMUNITY

RQ-4 Global Hawk
The first production version of the RQ-4 Block 20 Global Hawk unmanned aerial reconnaissance vehicle was unveiled in Palmdale. The program is managed by the 303rd Aeronautical Systems Group at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, Ohio. The Northrop Grumman-built version represents a significant increase in capability. (Courtesy photo)

MILITARY SUPPORT
The NAVAIR WD, located at the North East corner of Kern County, likewise has many first accomplishments which can be viewed at http://www.navwpns.navy.mil. Included are such firsts as: First air-to-air guided missile ever used in combat; first successful anti-radar missile; first U.S. precision guided air-to-surface weapon; and the first technology to photograph the back side of the moon.

PREDATOR UNMANNED AERIAL VEHICLE
The Predator is the most requested weapons system in the U.S. Central Command theater. Balad is home to the largest Predator operation in the world, providing real time "eyes in the skies" to ground commanders for identifying enemy activities.

Senior Airmen Ray Campbell helps guide an MQ-1 Predator Unmanned Aerial Vehicle under a sun shade here after a mission July 21. Campbell is a crew chief deployed as part of the 332nd Air Expeditionary Wing supporting Operation Iraqi Freedom. (U.S. Air Force photo by 2nd Lt. Gerardo Gonzalez)
QUALITY OF LIFE

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Average Temperatures:

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Take a Deep Breath:

The Antelope Valley Air Quality Management District (AQAQMD) motto, "It's a breath of fresh air," was right on target this summer as Antelope Valley residents breathed the cleanest air in seven years.

During the 2006 summer sizzle, the AQAQMD recorded only 16 days when ozone levels exceeded federal health standards within its boundaries and 22 days when ozone levels surpassed state standards, the fewest unhealthy air days since 1999. This year, the ozone season was cut short due to cooler temperatures in October.

Considering the extremely hot temperatures this summer, those numbers were a positive sign, according to AQAQMD Executive Director Eldon Heaston. "Our ozone season in the Antelope Valley normally runs from May to mid-October. Last year by this time, 31 days had exceeded the federal standard," he stated.

Most of the Antelope Valley's air pollution is not locally generated. It is wind-blown in from the Los Angeles area. The AV is most likely to experience elevated levels of ozone on days when an inversion layer settles over the Los Angeles Basin, then gives up its pollutants to a breeze that blows them into the desert. "We also get wind-blown pollution from the San Joaquin Valley. This year, the wind patterns were different and we didn't get directly hit from San Joaquin. The wind blew away from us instead of toward us," stated Heaston.

"We do everything we can to reduce air pollution: drive cleaner cars, take the bus, but ultimately a lot of it has to do with which way the wind blows," added Heaston.
Public Libraries
12 Public Libraries
Kern County Libraries: www.kerncountylibrary.org
Los Angeles County Libraries www.colapubliclibrary.org
Palmdale Main Library www.palmdalelibrary.org
Palmdale Youth Library www.palmdalelibrary.org/youthlib/y_services.shtml

Community Theatres
Lancaster Performing Arts Center
780 seats - 661/723-5950
Palmdale Playhouse
330 seats - 661/267-5685

Major Recreational Facilities
6 Golf courses:
Best of the West Softball Complex
Big Eight Softball Complex, Lancaster
DryTown Water Park, Palmdale
Lancaster Soccer Center
Muligan’s Sports Center, Palmdale
Palmdale Amphitheater
Pelona Vista Park, Palmdale

Shopping/Dining
2005
- Antelope Valley Mall, Palmdale 121 stores
  (6 Department stores)
- 10 Kiosks
- 14 Holiday Kiosks
- 24 retail merchandising units
  (temporary carts) throughout the mall
- Est. 1,700 employees

Professional Sports
Lancaster JetHawks
(Boston Red Sox affiliate)
661/726-5400 - www.jethawks.com

Select Community Events
Almond Blossom Festival (March)
Desert Tortoise Days (April)
Kern County Airshow (April)
Lancaster Poppy Festival (April)
Showdown Rodeo/PRCA Rodeo (June)
Thursday Night on the Square (Summer)
Concerts in the Park (Summer)
Antelope Valley Fair (August)
Tehachapi Mountain Festival (August)
Desert Empire Fair (September)
Aerospace Walk of Honor (September)
Labor Day Balloon Festival (September)
California City Heritage Days (September)
Valyermo Festival (September)
Bark In the Park (October)
Palmdale Fall Festival (October)
Edwards Air Show (October)
Mojave Gold Rush Days (October)
Adult Fishing Derby (November)
Lancaster Holiday Parade (December)
Palmdale Holiday Parade (December)
Metrolink Holiday Train (December)

Museums (partial)
Antelope Valley Indian Museum
Blackbird Air Park Museum
Edwards Air Force Flight Test Museum
Kids'Time Children's Museum of Antelope Valley
Lancaster Museum / Art Gallery
Tehachapi Railroad Museum
Western Hotel Museum

Movie Theatres
4 Movie complexes
38 Stadium style screens
20 Traditional screens
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