

<b>Sierra County</b>	953 sq.mi. 4 persons / sq.mi.	<b>Median Age: 43.7</b>
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<b>Snapshot</b>	<b>Workforce</b>
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Sierra County is in the northern Sierra Mountains near the Nevada border, a land of alpine lakes, rugged mountains, forests, and range land.

In 2000, the median age was about 10.5 years older than California. More than one of every 6 people was 65+ years of age, and one in 37 was 85 or older. Nearly one in 3 adults was 65+ or disabled.

Unemployment was high at 9.7% (2001), nearly double the statewide rate. Average hourly wages (2001):

RN	HHA	Nurse Asst	IHSS	MSW	PT
\$23.98	\$9.12	\$9.75	\$6.75	\$20.54	\$28.74

<b>Medi-Cal</b>	<b>Housing</b>
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In Sierra County one in every 11 people was eligible for Medi-Cal. One in every 45 persons in the county was 65+ and a Medi-Cal recipient.

The median home price was not available (2001). Housing vacancy rates in 2000 were different than statewide averages: homeowners were lower at 0.7% and rentals higher at 11.3%.

Sierra had more households with individuals 65+ (27.6%) and with those 65+ living alone (11.5%) than California. Of those over 65, one in 2.5 was living alone (39.6%).

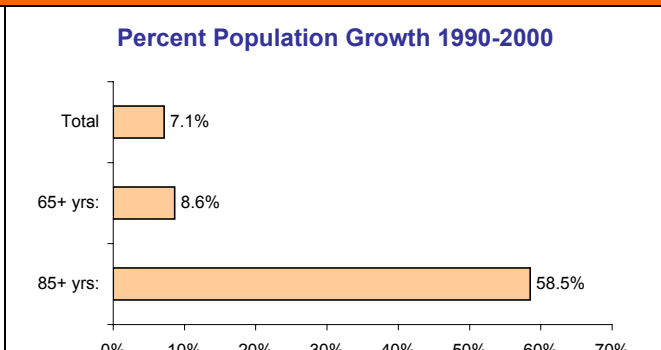
<b>Long Term Care: Special Programs</b>	<b>Transportation</b>
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LTC Innovation Grant: COIL InfoVan for outreach through AAA.

Reported transit services for people in the cities and county of Sierra: 1,956 passengers using special vehicles; 2 special vehicles operated peak hours and 2 operated middays during the week; and none on Saturdays or Sundays.

<b>Population Growth</b> (increase since 1990): <b>7.1%</b>	<b>65+ yrs: 8.6%</b>	<b>85+ yrs: 58.5%</b>
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Demographics						
Population	1990	%	2000	%	2010	%
	(US Census)		(US Census)		(DOF Projection)	
<b>Total Population</b>	3,318	100%	3,555	100%	3,559	100%
Over 60	731	22%	855	24%	999	28%
Disabled (21-64)	not available	not available	476	13%	not available	not available
Total 65+	579	17%	629	18%	738	21%
<b>Total Over 65 + Disabled (21-64)</b>	not available	not available	1,105	31%	not available	not available
Total 65-74	339	10%	336	9%	371	10%
Total 75-84	187	6%	209	6%	239	7%
Total 85+	53	2%	84	2%	128	4%



Gender (2000) US Census				
	Total	65+	85+	
Male	50.5%	8.3%	0.9%	
Female	49.5%	9.4%	1.4%	

Ethnicity (2000) US Census				
	Total	65+		
<b>Total</b>	100%	18%		
White*	90%	17.07%		
Black or African American*	0%	0.03%		
Hispanic or Latino	6%	0.65%		
Asian	0%	0.03%		
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	0.1%	0.00%		
American Indian or Alaska Native	1.6%	0.17%		
Some Other Race	0.1%	0.00%		
Multi-Racial (two or more)	1.7%	0.17%		

\*Not of Hispanic or Latino Origin

Enrollment (2000)				
	Eligibles	% Tot Pop	Elig 65+	% 65+
Medi-Cal Recipients	306	8.8%	75	2.16%
SSI/SSP Recipients	79	2.3%	not available	not available
Dual Eligibles	105	3.0%	not available	not available

**Demographic Trends**

In the last decade, Sierra County's population grew slower than California for the total population and those 65+. However, the percent of those 85+ grew faster than the state.

In 2000, Sierra had 10% non-Whites, while California had 53% non-Whites. One of every 17 persons in the county was Hispanic/Latino; one in every 63 persons was American Indian/Alaska Native; and one in every 59 persons was multi-racial. Looking at age and ethnicity: one in 6 persons was 65+/White; one in 154 was 65+/Hispanic/Latino; and one in 588 was 65+/American Indian/Alaska Native.

The median household income was \$11,700 less than California's with more people living below the poverty level--more than one in 9.

<b>Persons under Poverty Level: 11.3%</b>	<b>65+ yrs: 7.8%</b>	<b>Median Household Income: \$35,827</b>
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NOTE: Data on Page 2 are from statewide sources only. Data may not include all funding sources. See notes on Data Sources.

SERVICES	ANNUAL INFORMATION		
Home and Community Based Services (County Level Data)	Providers or Sites	Serving	Expense / Allocation
<b>Adult Day Services (ADS)</b>			
Adult Day Health Care (ADHC) Providers	0	0	\$0
Adult Day Care (ADC) / Adult Day Support Centers (ADSC)	0	0	\$0
<b>Multipurpose Senior Services Program (MSSP)</b>	0	1	\$993
<b>In-Home Services</b>			
Home Health Agencies (HHAs)	0	0	not available
In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS)	86	61	\$360,306
<b>Adult Protective Services (APS)</b>	1	0	\$103,920
<b>Independent Living Centers (ILCs)</b>	1	1,036	\$358,592

County Level Data Not Available			
<b>Caregiver Resource Centers (CRCs)</b>	1	1,965	\$880,006
The Del Oro Caregiver Resource Center provides services to Colusa, Sutter, Yuba, Sierra, Nevada, Placer, El Dorado, Amador, Alpine, Calaveras, San Joaquin, Sacramento, and Yolo counties.			

PSA 4 - Multi-County AAA (County Level Data Not Available)			
<b>Area Agencies on Aging</b>			
\$1.8M (State) + \$4.2M (Fed) = \$6.0M			
Includes \$0.45M Info & Assistance, \$1.1M Fed Caregiver Support Prgm			
Serving: Placer, Sacramento, Sierra, Sutter, Yolo, Yuba, and Nevada Counties			
The AAA serves as an access point for persons needing information or services for elders, persons with disabilities, and their families or caregivers. The agency provides advocacy, information and assistance, local planning, funding allocations, and monitoring of services. The following may not represent all the AAA's local programs, services or expenditures:			
<b>Nutrition</b>			
Brown Bag	not available	105	\$48,493
Home Delivered Meals	not available	12,308	\$1,670,097
Congregate Meals	not available	10,355	\$1,286,113
<b>Assistance / Counseling / Advocacy</b>			
Health Insurance Counseling & Advocacy Programs (HICAP)	1	6,089	\$329,933
Ombudsman	1	1,358	\$326,823
<b>Care Coordination</b>			
Linkages	1	175	\$237,248
<b>Specialized Care</b>			
Alzheimer's Day Care Resource Centers (ADCRCs)	4	126	\$244,262
<b>Senior Service Corps</b>			
Foster Grandparents (number of senior volunteers)	not available	7	\$36,107
Senior Companions (number of senior volunteers)	not available	17	\$79,551

Facility Based Services (County Level Data)	Providers	Serving	Expense / Allocation
Freestanding Nursing Facility (NFs)	0	0	\$0
Hospital-Based Nursing Facility (NFs)	1	31	\$963,487
Residential Care Facilities for the Elderly (RCFEs)	0	0	\$0

County Comparisons	
How does your county rank on these indicators - in the highest, middle, or lowest third of all counties in the state?	
Indicator	Rank
Total NF Patients/1,000	1
% Population 85+	1
IHSS Providers/1,000	1
% Vacancy - rentals	3
Median Age	4
% Age 21-64 Disabled	5
% 65+ and Live Alone	7
% Population 65+	9
85+ Pop Growth (1990-2000)	12
% Medi-Cal Recipients 65+	12
% Dual Eligibles	14
% Unemployment Rate	14
% SSI / SSP Recipients	37
Median Household Income	38
65+ Pop Growth (1990-2000)	42
% 65+ < Poverty	42
% Persons < Poverty	43
% Medi-Cal Recipients	46
Tot Pop Growth (1990-2000)	50
% Vacancy - houses	54
ADS Providers/1,000	55
Total Population	57
HHA Providers/1,000	58
RCFE Beds/1,000	58
Note: Rankings are out of 58 counties, where 1 represents the highest number and 58 represents the lowest number	

Highest Third (1-19)  
Middle Third (20-39)  
Lowest Third (40-58)

Emerging Long Term Care Issues	
~ Nearly one in 3 adults was 65+ or disabled.	~ Rental housing was readily available, but few homes.
~ Highest percent of seniors 85+ in state.	~ One of least populous counties; many seniors lived alone.
~ High median age with rapid growth of seniors 85+ and many 65+.	~ Slow growth in those 65+ and few seniors, or others, living in poverty.
~ Many younger adults were disabled.	~ IHSS was almost only available service, with a few NF hospital beds, and no adult day, home health or RCFE services.
~ Unemployment was high with many seniors on Medi-Cal and many adults receiving Medi-Cal and Medicare.	

