

Siskiyou County

6,287 sq.mi.
7 persons / sq.mi.

Median Age: 43.0

Snapshot

Siskiyou, one of the state's largest yet least populous counties, borders Oregon. It is a land of canyon peaks, lava plateaus, forests, and mountain ranges.

In 2000, the median age was nearly 10 years older than California. Nearly one of every 5 people was 65+ years of age, and one in 45 was 85 or older. Nearly one in 3 adults was 65+ or disabled.

Workforce

Unemployment was at high 9.4% (2001), nearly double the statewide rate. There were projected to be 60 job openings for RNs and an estimated 69 direct care nursing staff were needed in facilities (2000). Average hourly wages (2001):

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

Medi-Cal

In Siskiyou County more than one in every 6 people was eligible for Medi-Cal. One in every 45 persons in the county was 65+ and a Medi-Cal recipient.

Housing

The median home price was not available (2001). Housing vacancy rates in 2000 were higher than statewide averages: homeowners at 3.0% and rentals 9.2%.

Siskiyou had more households with individuals 65+ (29.1%) and with those 65+ living alone (12.8%) than California. Of those over 65, one in 2.4 was living alone (41.3%).

Long Term Care: Special Programs

Transportation

No special services transportation data reported (FY 99-00).

Population Growth (increase since 1990): **1.8%**

65+ yrs: 11.9%

85+ yrs: 41.5%

Demographics

Population	1990		2000		2010	
	US Census	%	US Census	%	DOF Projection	%
Total Population	43,531	100%	44,301	100%	49,538	100%
Over 60	9,573	22%	10,374	23%	11,712	24%
Disabled (21-64)	not available	not available	5,260	12%	not available	not available
Total 65+	7,182	16%	8,040	18%	8,359	17%
Total Over 65 + Disabled (21-64)	not available	not available	13,300	30%	not available	not available
Total 65-74	4,314	10%	4,228	10%	4,147	8%
Total 75-84	2,236	5%	2,918	7%	2,796	6%
Total 85+	632	1%	894	2%	1,416	3%

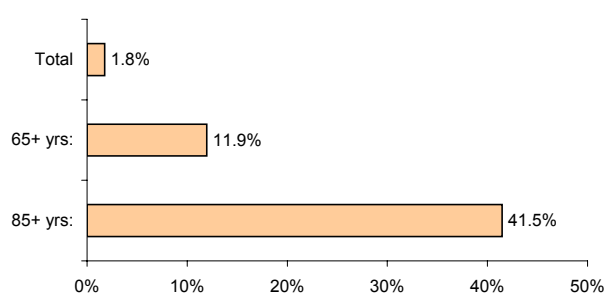
Gender (2000) US Census	Total	65+	85+
Male	49.1%	8.2%	0.7%
Female	50.9%	10.0%	1.3%

Ethnicity (2000) US Census	Total	65+
Total	100%	18%
White*	83%	17.19%
Black or African American*	1%	0.21%
Hispanic or Latino	8%	0.48%
Asian	1%	0.08%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	0.1%	0.01%
American Indian or Alaska Native	3.6%	0.31%
Some Other Race	0.1%	0.01%
Multi-Racial (two or more)	2.8%	0.34%

*Not of Hispanic or Latino Origin

Enrollment (2000)	Eligibles	% Tot Pop	Elig 65+	% 65+
Medi-Cal Recipients	8,195	18.0%	1,032	2.26%
SSI/SSP Recipients	2,236	4.9%	not available	not available
Dual Eligibles	1,675	3.7%	not available	not available

Percent Population Growth 1990-2000



Demographic Trends

In the last decade, Siskiyou County's population barely grew, although the pace of growth for those 65+ and 85+ was on pace with the state.

In 2000, Siskiyou had 17% non-Whites, while California had 53% non-Whites. One of every 6 persons was Hispanic/Latino; one in 28 was American Indian/Alaska Native; and one in 34 was multi-racial.

Looking at age and ethnicity: one in 6 persons was 65+/White; one in 208 was 65+/Hispanic/Latino; and one in 323 was 65+/American Indian/Alaska Native.

The median household income was \$18,000 less than California's, with more people living below the poverty level--nearly one in 5.

Persons under Poverty Level: 18.6%

65+ yrs: 12.1%

Median Household Income: \$29,530

