

Tulare County	4,824 sq.mi. 76 persons / sq.mi.	Median Age: 29.2
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Snapshot	Workforce
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Tulare is the geographic center of California, an agricultural county located below Fresno in the Central Valley, lying between the Coastal Range and Sierra Nevada Mountains.

In 2000, the median age was younger than the state of California by 4 years. One of every 10 people was over 65 years of age and one in 77 was 85 or older. More than one in 5 adults was 65+ or disabled.

Unemployment was high at 10.2% (2001), nearly double California's rate. There were projected to be 320 job openings for RNs in the region and 788 direct care nursing staff needed in facilities (2000). Average hourly wages (2001):

RN	HHA	Nurse Asst	IHSS	MSW	PT
\$26.30	\$8.52	\$8.22	\$6.75	\$19.77	\$36.25

Medi-Cal	Housing
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In Tulare County nearly one in every 4 persons was Medi-Cal eligible. One of every 42 persons in the county was 65+ and a Medi-Cal recipient.

Tulare is one of 12 counties that provide Medi-Cal managed care services through the Two-Plan Model, offering a choice between at least two managed care plans for families with children and others.

The median home price was \$97,062 (2001). Housing vacancy rates in 2000 were higher than California statewide averages: homeowners at 1.9%; rentals at 5.8%.

Tulare had slightly more individuals 65+ (19.8%) and about the same 65+ living alone (7.7%) as California. Of those over 65, one in 3.0 were living alone (33.8%).

Long Term Care: Special Programs	Transportation
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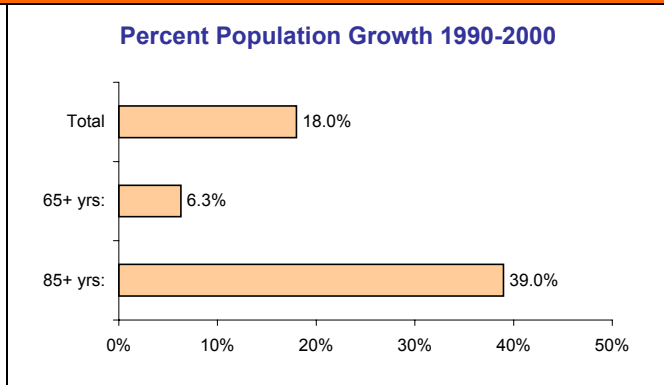
LTC Innovation Grants: COIL InfoVan for outreach through AAA.

Reported transit services for people in the cities and county of Tulare: 193,590 passengers using special vehicles; 19 special vehicles operated peak hours and 18 middays during the week; and 11 on Saturdays and none on Sundays (FY 99-00).

Population Growth (increase since 1990): 18.0%	65+ yrs: 6.3%	85+ yrs: 39.0%
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Demographics

Population	1990	%	2000	%	2010	%
	(US Census)		(US Census)		(DOF Projection)	
Total Population	311,921	100%	368,021	100%	469,509	100%
Over 60	44,848	14%	47,404	13%	65,801	14%
Disabled (21-64)	not available	not available	45,909	12%	not available	not available
Total 65+	33,788	11%	35,917	10%	46,843	10%
Total Over 65 + Disabled (21-64)	not available	not available	81,826	22%	not available	not available
Total 65-74	19,355	6%	18,996	5%	24,780	5%
Total 75-84	11,312	4%	12,584	3%	14,874	3%
Total 85+	3,121	1%	4,337	1%	7,189	2%



Gender (2000) US Census	Total	65+	85+
Male	50.0%	4.2%	0.4%
Female	50.0%	5.6%	0.8%

Ethnicity (2000) US Census	Total	65+
Total	100%	10%
White*	42%	7.23%
Black or African American*	1%	0.11%
Hispanic or Latino	51%	2.11%
Asian	3%	0.33%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	0.1%	0.00%
American Indian or Alaska Native	0.8%	0.06%
Some Other Race	0.1%	0.01%
Multi-Racial (two or more)	1.9%	0.17%

*Not of Hispanic or Latino Origin

Enrollment (2000)	Eligibles	% Tot Pop	Elig 65+	% 65+
Medi-Cal Recipients	102,094	26.3%	9,175	2.36%
SSI/SSP Recipients	15,630	4.0%	not available	not available
Dual Eligibles	12,903	3.3%	not available	not available

Demographic Trends

In the last decade, Tulare County's population grew faster than California, but the growth of those 65+ and 85+ was at a slower pace.

In 2000, Tulare had 58% non-Whites, compared to California's statewide average of 53% non-Whites. One of every 2 persons in the county was Latino/Hispanic; one in every 32 was Asian; one in 71 was Black/African American; and one in every 53 persons was multi-racial. Looking at age and ethnicity: one in every 14 persons was 65+/White; one in 47 was 65+/Hispanic/Latino; and one in 303 was 65+/Asian.

The median household income was \$13,500 lower than California's median income, with many people living below the poverty level--nearly one in 4.

Persons under Poverty Level: 23.9%	65+ yrs: 12.8%	Median Household Income: \$33,983
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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
Adult Day Services (ADS)			
Adult Day Health Care (ADHC) Providers	0	0	\$0
Adult Day Care (ADC) / Adult Day Support Centers (ADSC)	2	150	not available
Multipurpose Senior Services Program (MSSP)	1	165	\$352,226
In-Home Services			
Home Health Agencies (HHAs)	6	11,752	not available
In-Home Supportive Services (IHSS)	1,851	2,885	\$10,097,512
Adult Protective Services (APS)	1	95	\$824,537
Independent Living Centers (ILCs)	1	869	\$485,448

County Level Data Not Available			
Caregiver Resource Centers (CRCs)	1	1,544	\$869,052
The Valley Caregiver Resource Center provides services to Fresno, Kern, Kings, Madera, Mariposa, Merced, Stanislaus, Tulare, and Tuolumne counties.			

PSA 15 - Multi-County AAA (County Level Data Not Available)			
Area Agencies on Aging			
\$0.95M (State) + \$1.4M (Fed) = \$2.35M			
Includes \$0.19M Info & Assistance, \$0.3M Fed Caregiver Support Prgm			
Serving: Kings and Tulare 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:			
Nutrition			
Brown Bag	not available	380	\$41,534
Home Delivered Meals	not available	133	\$393,001
Congregate Meals	not available	2,222	\$621,556
Assistance / Counseling / Advocacy			
Health Insurance Counseling & Advocacy Programs (HICAP)	1	5,442	\$167,093
Ombudsman	1	37	\$76,957
Care Coordination			
Linkages	1	99	\$238,620
Specialized Care			
Alzheimer's Day Care Resource Centers (ADCRCs)	1	20	\$86,000
Senior Service Corps			
Foster Grandparents (number of senior volunteers)	not available	10	\$44,149
Senior Companions (number of senior volunteers)	not available	15	\$63,974

Facility Based Services (County Level Data)	Providers	Serving	Expense / Allocation
Freestanding Nursing Facility (NFs)	13	1,145	\$34,997,969
Hospital-Based Nursing Facility (NFs)	3	119	\$10,107,006
Residential Care Facilities for the Elderly (RCFEs)	53	868	not available

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
% Medi-Cal Recipients	1
% Persons < Poverty	1
% Unemployment Rate	3
% Medi-Cal Recipients 65+	5
% Dual Eligibles	7
% 65+ < Poverty	7
% SSI / SSP Recipients	15
% Age 21-64 Disabled	15
Total NF Patients/1,000	20
% Vacancy - houses	20
Total Population	21
Tot Pop Growth (1990-2000)	22
% Vacancy - rentals	24
IHSS Providers/1,000	32
RCFE Beds/1,000	36
% Population 85+	41
% 65+ and Live Alone	43
ADS Providers/1,000	44
85+ Pop Growth (1990-2000)	45
HHA Providers/1,000	46
% Population 65+	47
Median Household Income	47
65+ Pop Growth (1990-2000)	48
Median Age	57
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	
~ More than one in 5 adults was 65+ or disabled.	~ Median age was second youngest in state and income was third lowest.
~ Highest number on Medi-Cal, including many seniors.	~ Few 65+ and 85+ and slow growth in senior population.
~ Second highest level of poverty, including many seniors.	~ NFs were more available than IHSS and RCFEs, with few adult day and home health services.
~ Unemployment was high, with many receiving Medi-Cal, Medicare and SSI/SSP.	

