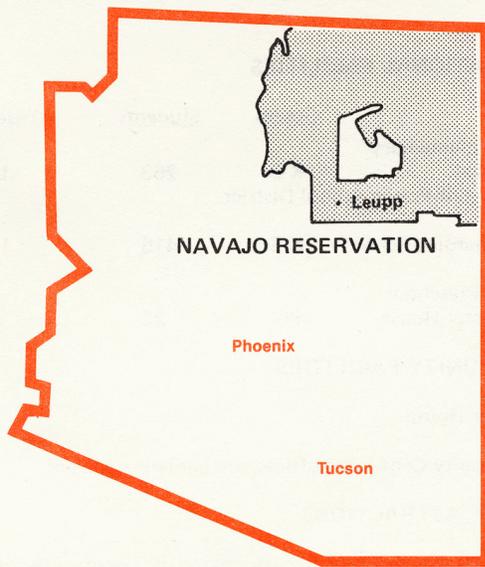


Leupp, Navajo Reservation

Arizona Community Profile



INTRODUCTION

Leupp is located along the southwest bank of the Little Colorado River in north central Arizona, in the southwest corner of the Navajo Reservation and the eastern portion of Coconino County. The Little Colorado River had been a travel route for the Navajo people and because of the availability of water, early scattered settlement developed during the 1800's. In 1902, a Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) boarding school was established. Shortly after, the school was moved to a new location now known as "Old Leupp."

In 1907, Leupp became the headquarters of the "Leupp Reservation" which was one of five Navajo Reservations that existed prior to 1936. In 1936, the Navajo Nation was combined under the present administrative center in Window Rock, Arizona.

The Navajo chapter organization was instituted in 1932 to act as service units for the Agricultural Extension's efforts to import improvement techniques in the area of farming. These chapters evolved into local governmental units servicing surrounding residents. Leupp is one of the one-hundred-nine (109) chapters on the Navajo Reservation. The BIA rebuilt the boarding school in Leupp in 1961 which became the center for social and political activities. Today Leupp has been designated a secondary "growth center" on the Navajo Reservation.

WEATHER

Month	Average Temperature (° F)		Average Total Precipitation (Inches)
	Daily Max.	Daily Min.	
January	46.8	15.8	0.37
February	55.2	20.4	0.27
March	62.0	25.4	0.40
April	71.5	33.7	0.27
May	81.0	40.5	0.23
June	90.9	48.7	0.36
July	95.3	58.7	1.07
August	92.3	57.0	1.11
September	86.5	48.5	0.84
October	75.0	36.1	0.66
November	59.6	23.6	0.27
December	48.1	16.5	0.42
Year	72.0	35.4	6.27

Average Total Snow, Sleet and Hail Annually: 6.1 inches

Source: Leupp Weather Reporting Station, elevation 4,700 ft.

PRINCIPAL LEUPP ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES

Leupp is rapidly becoming one of the reservation's major "growth centers." Currently the services sector is the major employer in the community with educational services comprising the largest portion of employment. Both Federal and Tribal agencies are located in Leupp which also provide a substantial number of jobs.

Leupp has been designated as a secondary "growth center" and additional commercial and industrial economic activities are planned for the community. Presently, El Paso Natural Gas operates in Leupp and is one of the main commercial enterprises. An industrial park has been developed and is available for occupancy by light industries and offices. Solar panels are in production at the Birdsprings Solar Corporation in the Leupp community providing increased job opportunities and an energy-saving product line.

A new light manufacturing activity is currently being operated in a surplus BIA dormitory. With 21,765 square feet of available space, one wing of the dormitory has been converted into a tool and die operation. The shop began operations approximately May 2, 1983. The principal products that will be produced are precision-machined parts for a major eastern corporation.

Expansion plans are being discussed for three more development areas within the dormitory. The next operation will be a stamping facility with punch presses. Following the completion of the punch press phase, injection molding machines will be installed. Finally, a small assembly area is planned to utilize the remaining available space.

With the numerous scenic attractions in the area of Leupp, increased tourism is expected. To facilitate this, development of accommodations for the tourists is being considered for the area.

LEUPP EMPLOYMENT STRUCTURE

	Percent of Total
Transportation, Communication & Utilities	14.0%
Wholesale & Retail Trade	2.0
Services	59.0
Public Administration	26.0
Total	100%

Source: Division of Economic Development, The Navajo Tribe 1981 Reservation Survey covering those employed in business in Leupp Chapter on-reservation only.

LABOR FORCE DATA*

	1975	1981
Civilian Labor Force	1,696	1,854
Employed	212	760
Unemployed	1,484	1,094
Unemployment Rate	87%	59%

Source: Office of Navajo Revenue Sharing, BIA, 1981

* Because Leupp area numbers are small, those figures should be used cautiously.

GROWTH INDICATORS

	1977	1980	1981
Postal Receipts (\$)	N/A	N/A	N/A
School Enrollment	700	610	678
Building Leases	3	5	5

TAXES

The State of Arizona does not tax Indian lands and Indian-owned property on reservations. Incomes of Indians residing on reservations are not taxed if wholly derived from reservation sources. Indian people of Arizona are also exempt from state and local sales taxes on consumer goods purchased on the reservation, unless such taxes are imposed by the tribal government. Arizona does tax the property and business transactions of non-Indians who operate on reservations and Indians who live or work off reservations. The current Leupp, Navajo Reservation property tax rate is \$6.18 per \$100 assessed valuation.

Source: Arizona Property Tax Rates and Assessed Valuations, 1982.

POPULATION

	1980-1981		Annual Compounded Percentage Change
	1980	1981	
Navajo Reservation	147,971	151,670	+2.5%
Coconino County	74,947	80,200	+6.9
Arizona	2,718,215	2,800,300	+3.0

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census

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TRANSPORTATION

Highways: Arizona Highway 99, Navajo Route 15
I-40 is 20 miles south and runs from California to Illinois

Railroad: Atchison, Topeka and Santa Fe parallels I-40. Santa Fe Railroad freight service travel time is a day and a half to Los Angeles and 3 days to Chicago. There is also Amtrak with daily east-west service, with connections to all major U.S. cities.

Truck: Damon Freight Lines, main office in Winslow, Arizona. United Parcel Service services the community for pick-up and delivery.

Bus: Navajo Transit System connects Leupp with Flagstaff where connections can be made with Greyhound and Trailways Bus Lines.

Airport: The nearest complete commercial and air freight services are available in Flagstaff, 50 miles west, or Winslow, 29 miles south of Leupp.

COMMUNICATIONS

Newspapers: Daily: Arizona Republic (Phoenix)
Bi-Weekly: Reminder (Winslow)
Weekly: Winslow Mail, Navajo Times, Flagstaff Daily Sun

Radio: 6 Flagstaff stations, 1 Holbrook station, 1 Winslow station and 1 Tuba City station

Television: 3 Phoenix channels, 1 Flagstaff channel, cable TV is also available.

UTILITIES

Electricity: Navajo Tribal Utility Authority

Natural Gas: Southern Union Gas Company

Telephone: Navajo Communications Company, Inc.

Water & Sewer: Navajo Tribal Utility Authority, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Indian Health Service

MEDICAL FACILITIES

Winslow Indian Health Center is utilized for emergency purposes. It is located approximately 29 miles south of Leupp. Outpatient clinic is open Monday and Thursday with services provided by one doctor, one physician assistant, one nurse, one nurses aide and one pharmacist from Winslow Indian Health Center. Family Planning is available Mondays. Mental Health Counseling is available on an appointment basis.

TRIBAL GOVERNMENT SERVICES

Fire Prevention: BIA, 7 volunteers

Police: 1 Navajo Tribal Officer, 2 Navajo Tribal Rangers

Local Government: Chapter President and Vice President, Secretary and 1 Tribal Councilman

Federal Offices: Bureau of Indian Affairs, Health and Human Services (Public Health Services)

HOUSING

Current information on housing availability and prices can be obtained from Navajo Housing Authority, Project Manager, (602) 283-5652.

CHURCHES

Leupp Baptist Mission
Leupp Presbyterian Church
Leupp Church of Nazarene
Leupp Native American Church
Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints

EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES

	<u>Grades</u>	<u>Students</u>	<u>Teachers</u>
Public Elementary School Flagstaff Public School District	K-8	263	15
BIA Boarding School	K-8	415	17
Leupp Preschool Chapter House	PS	23	2

COMMUNITY FACILITIES

Chapter House

Community Center has offices and conference room.

SCENIC ATTRACTIONS

There are numerous scenic attractions of unspoiled beauty located in the vicinity of Leupp. These include:

Grand Falls on the Little Colorado
Meteor Crater
The Painted Desert
The San Francisco Peaks
Sunset Crater National Monument
Walnut Canyon National Monument
Canyon Diablo

LODGING AND MEETING FACILITIES

Meeting Facilities: Community Center

INDUSTRIAL PROPERTIES AVAILABLE

A modern multi-purpose building is available for occupancy on the 100-acre industrial site. It contains 3,072 square feet of office space and 2,624 square feet of light industry space.

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