Not logged in Talk Contributions Create account Log in Search Wikipedia **Aaticle** Richard history Amador County, California WikipediA The Free Encyclopedia Coordinates: 38.44°N 120.66°W From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia Amador County, is a county in the U.S. state of California, in the Sierra Nevada. As of the 2010 census, the population was 38,091. [5] The county seat is Jackson. [6] Amador County, located Main page **Amador County, California** within California's Gold Country, is known as "The Heart of the Mother Lode". There is a substantial viticultural industry in the county. County **Current events** Random article **About Wikipedia** Contents [hide] Contact us 1 History 2 Geography 2.1 Shenandoah Valley Contribute 2.2 Adjacent counties Learn to edit 2.3 National protected area Community portal 3 Demographics Recent changes 3.1 2011 Upload file 3.1.1 Places by population, race, and income 3.2 2010 3.3 2000 What links here Related changes 4 Politics, government, and policing Special pages 4.1 County Supervisors Permanent link 4.2 Policing Page information 4.3 Voter registration statistics Cite this page 4.3.1 Cities by population and voter registration Wikidata item

word amador means "one who loves". Some of the Mother Lode's most successful gold mines were located in Amador County, including the Kennedy, Argonaut,

There are numerous gold mines in Amador County including the Argonaut Mine, the Kennedy Mine, the Central Eureka, and the Lincoln. The Kennedy Mine in

Jackson was the deepest gold mine of its time. The federal government closed all of the Mother Lode's mines in 1942 because they were considered non-

According to the U.S. Census Bureau, the county has a total area of 606 square miles (1,570 km²), of which 595 square miles (1,540 km²) is land and 11.4

include Lake Amador, Lake Camanche, Pardee Reservoir, Bear River Reservoir, Silver Lake, Sutter Creek, Cosumnes River, Mokelumne River, and Lake

square miles (30 km²) (1.9%) is water. [10] It is the fifth-smallest county in California by land area and second-smallest by total area. Water bodies in the county

Tabeaud. Thirty-seven miles of the North Fork and main Mokelumne River were added to the California Wild and Scenic Rivers System on June 27, 2018, when

Amador County is located approximately 45 miles (72 km) southeast of Sacramento in the part of California known as the Mother Lode, or Gold Country in the Sierra

Amador County ranges in elevation from approximately 250 feet (76 m) in the western portion of the county to over 9,000 feet (2,700 m) in the eastern portion of the

Places by population and race

Places by population and income

Cities by population and voter registration

Cities by population and crime rates

American, 419 (1.1%) Asian, 77 (0.2%) Pacific Islander, 1,450 (3.8%) from other races, and 1,356 (3.6%) from two or more races. Hispanic or Latino of any race were 4,756 persons (12.5%).[25]

River and Calaveras County, on the west by Sacramento and San Joaquin Counties, and the east by Alpine County.

Though not as well known as the Napa Valley AVA or Sonoma Valley AVA viticultural regions of California, the Shenandoah Valley was once the principal viticultural region of California. [11] With the

discovery of gold, the area quickly became a mecca for those trying to make their fortune. In the process numerous wineries sprouted up, many of whose vineyards are still in use by wineries today. The decline of the California Gold Rush coupled with the onset of Prohibition devastated the wine-making region of Amador County. Today this area has been resurrected and is now home to over 40 different wineries. Amador County is known for its Zinfandel, but many other varietals are produced as well. Amador County has a high percentage of old Zinfandel vines. Some of the Zinfandel vineyards in this county are more than 125 years old [when?], including the original Grandpère vineyard, planted with Zinfandel before 1869 and believed to be the oldest Zinfandel vineyard in America. [12] This 10-acre (40,000 m²) vineyard is home to some of the oldest Zinfandel vines on Earth, with proof of their existence dating to 1869 when it was listed as a descriptor on a deed from the U.S. Geological Survey. A

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Amador County is named □

after José María Amador, a

Californio miner who found

gold in the area in 1848.

Dr. Charles Boarman

from 1863 to 1880.

(1828-1880), son of Rear Admiral Charles Boarman,

and his family settled in the area. He served as the first

county physician and coroner

Adjacent counties [edit]

• El Dorado County - north

Calaveras County - south

Sacramento County - west

San Joaquin County - southwest

National protected area [edit]

Eldorado National Forest (part)

Mokelumne Wilderness (part)

Population, race, and income [show]

Places by population, race, and income [edit]

Population reported at 2010 United States Census [show]

Demographics [edit]

2011 [edit]

2010 [edit]

2000 [edit]

Alpine County - east

and Keystone.

Geography [edit]

Shenandoah Valley [edit]

grant deed in Amador County records further proves their existence in 1869. [citation needed]

Nevada.

essential to the war effort. [citation needed]

Governor Edmund G. "Jerry" Brown signed Senate Bill 854.

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The Amador County foothills in April 2007 Nickname(s): "The Heart of the Mother Lode"

Location in the state of California California's location in the United States Country United States State California Sierra Nevada Region

Incorporated May 1, 1854^[1] **County seat** Jackson Largest city lone (population and area) Area Total 606 sq mi (1,570 km²) Land 595 sq mi (1,540 km²) Water 11.4 sq mi (30 km²) Highest elevation^[2] 9,414 ft (2,869 m) **Population** (April 1, 2010)^[3] Total 38,091 • Estimate (2019)^[4] 39,752 Density 63/sq mi (24/km²) UTC-8 (Pacific Time **Time zone**

Zone) • Summer (DST) UTC-7 (Pacific Daylight Time) Area code 209 **FIPS** code 06-005 **GNIS** feature ID 1675841 🗗 Website www.co.amador.ca.us ₽ county, the tallest point being Thunder Mountain. The county is bordered on the north by the Cosumnes River and El Dorado County and on the south by the Mokelumne

The former Amador County Courthouse consists of two buildings: the second courthouse (built 1864) and the Hall of Records (1893), that were enclosed and combined in 1939 with an Art Deco exterior.[7] High-grade Gold-quartz ore from **Amador County**

Cabernet Sauvignon from -Amador County. [show] [show]

Amador Vineyard

The 2010 United States Census reported that Amador County had a population of 38,091. The racial makeup of Amador County was 33,149 (87.0%) White, 962 (2.5%) African American, 678 (1.8%) Native **Historical population** Census Pop. 10,930 **1870** 9,582 -12.3%1880 11,384 18.8% 1890 10,320 -9.3% 1900 11,116 7.7% 1910 9,086 -18.3%1920 7,793 -14.2%1930 8,494 9.0% 1940 8,973 5.6% 1950 9,151 2.0% 1960 9,990 9.2% **1970** 11,821 18.3% **1980** 19,314 63.4% 1990 30,039 55.5% 2000 35,100 16.8% 2010 38,091 8.5% **2019 (est.)** 39,752 ^[4] 4.4% U.S. Decennial Census^[21] 1790–1960^[22] 1900–1990^[23] 1990–2000^[24] 2010–2015^[5]

[show]

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Presidential elections results Amador County is in California's 4th congressional district, represented by Republican Tom McClintock.^[29] In the State Assembly, the county is in the 5th Assembly District, represented by Republican Frank Bigelow.^[30] In the California State

Office

Secretary of State

2010 Controller

Treasurer

Year

Election results from statewide races

Whitman 52.4 - 41.6% Governor Maldonado 52.1 - 33.4% Lieutenant Governor

Results

Senate, the county is in the 8th Senate District, represented by Republican Andreas Borgeas.^[31]

Cooley 59.1 - 27.8% **Attorney General** Villines 50.6 - 35.1% **Insurance Commissioner** Governor Schwarzenegger 72.1 - 22.5% Lieutenant Governor McClintock 56.8 - 38.3%

Dunn 50.5 - 38.5%

Chiang 50.4 - 40.2%

Walters 48.3 - 42.9%

Secretary of State McPherson 62.0 - 31.2% 2006 Controller Strickland 52.4 - 40.2% Parrish 49.0 - 42.5% Treasurer **Attorney General** Poochigian 52.7 - 42.0% **Insurance Commissioner** Poizner 62.9 - 25.4% Crime [edit] The following table includes the number of incidents reported and the rate per 1,000 persons for each type of offense. Population and crime rates [show] Cities by population and crime rates [edit] Education [edit]

Transportation [edit] Major highways [edit] • R State Route 16

• Route 49 • 👔 State Route 88 • 6 State Route 104

Amador County Airport is a general aviation airport located near Jackson. Attractions [edit] Amador County is home of the California Gold Rush, and many century-old gold-mining sites in the county are now popular tourist destinations, as are other attractions such as:

Hiking activities in the East

Airport [edit]

• Amador City Amador Whitney Museum – collections and displays about history and culture of the Mother Lode region^[35] Jackson Main Street – antique shops Lakes for boating and fishing

• Caves with tours (Black Chasm in Volcano)

Wineries with wine-tasting activities

Campgrounds areas with gold-panning activities

Amador City Main Street – antique shops, historical buildings, wine tasting

• Sutter Creek Main Street – antique shops, [2] & Sutter Creek Theater

• Volcano Theater Company and the Cobblestone Theater and the St. George Hotel in Volcano

 Winter Ski Resorts – for skiers, snowboarders, etc. Amador County Summer Fair hosted annually every summer at the Fairgrounds in Plymouth, California. Communities [edit]

Census-designated places [edit] Buckhorn Drytown Buena Vista Fiddletown Camanche North Shore Kirkwood

The population ranking of the following table is based on the 2010 census of Amador County. [36] † county seat Rank **♦** City/Town/etc. lone 2 † Jackson 3 **Sutter Creek Buckhorn**

Pine Grove

Red Corral

Pioneer

Plymouth

Buena Vista

River Pines

Camanche North Shore

Camanche Village

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CDP 282 13 Martell CDP 235 14 **Fiddletown** 15 **Amador City** City 185 16 CDP 167 Drytown Kirkwood (partially in Alpine County) | CDP 17 158 18 CDP 115 Volcano Ione Band of MiwokTDSA^[37] 19 **AIAN** See also [edit] List of school districts in Amador County, California • National Register of Historic Places listings in Amador County, California Amador High School Notes [edit] 1. ^ Other = Some other race + Two or more races 2. ^ Native American = Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander + American Indian or Alaska Native 4. ^ Only larceny-theft cases involving property over \$400 in value are reported as property crimes. References [edit] 1. ^ "Amador County" d. Geographic Names Information System. United States Geological Survey. Retrieved February 10, 2015. 2. ^ "Thunder Mountain" . Peakbagger.com. Retrieved February 10, 2015.

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As of the census^[26] of 2000, there were 35,100 people, 12,759 households, and 9,071 families residing in the county. The population density was 59 people per square mile (23/km²). There were 15,035 housing units at an average density of 25 per square mile (10/km²). The racial makeup of the county was 85.8% White, 3.9% Black or African American, 1.8% Native American, 1.0% Asian, 0.1% Pacific Islander, 5.0% from other races, and 2.4% from two or more races. 8.9% of the population were Hispanic or Latino of any race. 14.9% were of German, 12.6% English, 11.7% Irish, 8.8% Italian and 7.3% American ancestry according to Census 2000. 93.1% spoke English and 5.1% Spanish as their first language. There were 12,759 households, out of which 26.2% had children under the age of 18 living with them, 58.9% were married couples living together, 8.7% had a female householder with no husband present, and 28.9% were non-families. 23.9% of all households were made up of individuals, and 11.3% had someone living alone who was 65 years of age or older. The average household size was 2.39 and the average family size was 2.81. In the county, the population was spread out, with 20.6% under the age of 18, 6.9% from 18 to 24, 26.2% from 25 to 44, 28.3% from 45 to 64, and 18.0% who were 65 years of age or older. The median age was 43 years. For every 100 females there were 122.5 males. For every 100 females age 18 and over, there were 123.4 males. The median income for a household in the county was \$42,280, and the median income for a family was \$51,226. Males had a median income of \$39,697 versus \$28,850 for females. The per capita income for the county was \$22,412. About 6.1% of families and 9.2% of the population were below the poverty line, including 13.1% of those under age 18 and 5.4% of those age 65 or over. Politics, government, and policing [edit] **County Supervisors** [edit] The county is governed by a five-person elected Board of Supervisors and a County Administrator. The county seat is Jackson. Policing [edit] The unincorporated areas of Amador County are patrolled by the county sheriff's department who also operates the county jail and protects the county jail and protects the county are at lone, Jackson, and Sutter Creek. **Voter registration statistics** [edit] **Population and registered voters [show]** Cities by population and voter registration [edit] Overview [edit] Historically Amador was a Democratic-leaning county that voted Republican only in landslide victories. Between 1876 and 1976, Amador voted Republican only in 1900, 1904, 1908, 1920, 1952 and 1972^[28] – and even in George McGovern's landslide loss it voted more Democratic than the nation. Currently [when?] Amador is a strongly Republican county in Presidential and congressional elections. The last Democrat to win a majority in the county was Jimmy Carter in 1976.

Due to the low population of the area, there are few schools with small class sizes. In total for public schools, two junior high schools, and six elementary schools. [34] These numbers are in addition to two independent study schools, one charter school and one continuing education school for adults. There are no colleges or universities within the county's borders. In popular culture [edit] "The Luck of Roaring Camp" is a short story by American author Bret Harte. It was first published in the August 1868 issue of the Overland Monthly and helped push Harte to international prominence. Harte lived in this area during his "Gold Rush" period, and possibly based the story in a mining camp on the Mokelumne River.

• State Route 26 • 124 State Route 124 **Public transportation** [edit]

• Amador County Model Railroad Museum - Representing our rich Railroad, Logging, and Mining history. Located in Pine Grove, CA.

Historic sites: Chew Kee Store in Fiddletown, Kennedy Mine in Jackson, Knight Foundry in Sutter Creek, Roaring Camp Mining Company, Preston School of Industry, or Preston Castle in Ione

• Pine Grove

Red Corral

River Pines

Pine Acres

River Pines

Roaring Camp

Scottsville

Pioneer

Volcano

Sunnybrook

Sutter Hill

Amador Transit provides service in Jackson and nearby communities. Connections to Calaveras County and Sacramento are additionally provided.

In the 1993 movie *Homeward Bound: The Incredible Journey*, a map of Amador County is shown, as well as many other California counties.

• Jackson Rancheria – casino and hotel built in 1986 by Larry Graham Construction Mace Meadows Golf Course in Pioneer • Mokelumne River – fishing, gold panning, whitewater kayaking, swimming, picnics, water play Old Mill Shopping Center in Martell • Outdoor Activities – camping, fishing, picnicking, ATV riding, backpacking, hiking, lake kayaking, horseback riding, whitewater kayaking, birding, snowshoeing, cross-country skiing, rock climbing, etc.

Cities [edit] Amador City Ione Jackson (county seat) Plymouth Sutter Creek

♦ Municipal type ♦ Population (2010 Census) ♦

7,918

4,651

2,501

2,429

2,219

1,413

1,094

1,005

979

847

429

379

 Camanche Village Martell **Unincorporated communities** [edit] Barton Carbondale Electra Kit Carson Clinton Enterprise New Chicago Bonnefoy **Population ranking** [edit]

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