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Shasta County, California

County

County of Shasta

Images, from top down: Shasta Dam at the

southern end of Shasta Lake, Lassen Peak,

Sundial Bridge

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Shasta County, California From Wikipedia, the free encyclopedia Shasta County, officially the County of Shasta, is a county in the northern portion of the U.S. state of California. As of the 2010 Main page Contents census, the population was 177,223.^[1] The county seat is Redding.^[3] Current events Shasta County comprises the Redding, California Metropolitan Statistical Area. The county occupies the northern reaches of the Random article Sacramento Valley, with portions extending into the southern reaches of the Cascade Range. About Wikipedia Contact us Points of interest in Shasta County include Shasta Lake, Lassen Peak, and the Sundial Bridge. Donate Contents [hide] Contribute 1 History 2 Geography Learn to edit

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History [edit]

Shasta County was one of the original counties of California, created in 1850 at the time of statehood. Parts of the county's territory were given to Siskiyou County in 1852, and to Tehama County in 1856.

The county was named after Mount Shasta; the name is derived from the English equivalent for the Shasta people, the name of a Native American tribe that once lived in the area, but they were ethnically cleansed from the area in the 1850s.^[4] The name of the tribe was spelled in various ways until the present version was used when the county was established. Originally Mt. Shasta was within the county, but it is now part of Siskiyou County, to the north. Its 14,179-foot (4,322 m) peak is visible throughout most of Shasta County.

Geography [edit]

According to the U.S. Census Bureau, the county has a total area of 3,847 square miles (9,960 km²), of which 3,775 square miles (9,780 km²) is land and 72 square miles (190 km²) (1.9%) is water.^[5] Mountains line the county on the east, north and west. The Sacramento River flows out of the mountains to the north, through the center of the county, and toward the Sacramento Valley to the south.

Flora and fauna [edit]

According to Willis Linn Jepson the biota of Shasta County were not explored in a scientific manner until just before the year 1900. Up until the 1920s the Southern Pacific Railroad Company owned vast tracts of natural grasslands; however, during the 1920s the railroad sold off much of its grassland holdings, leading to the rapid clearing of brush and large scale conversion from habitat to agricultural uses.^[6] Shasta County has extensive forests, which cover over one half the land area with commercially productive forest systems.^[7] Common forest alliances include mixed oak woodland and mixed conifer-oak woodland as well as douglas fir forest. Common trees found include White-bark pine,^[8] California Black Oak and California Buckeye.^[9]

Adjacent counties [edit]

- Siskiyou County north
- Modoc County northeast
- Lassen County east
- Plumas County southeast
- Tehama County south
- Trinity County west

National protected areas [edit]

 Shasta-Trinity National Forest (part) Whiskeytown National Recreation Area (part)

Politics [edit]

Overview [edit]

Voter registration statistics [edit]

Population and registered voters [show]

Cities by population and voter registration [edit]



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Location in the	state of California
California's locatio	n in the United States
Country	United States
Country State	California
Region	Sacramento
Region	Valley/Cascade Range
Incorporated	1850
Named for	Mount Shasta, ^[note 1]
	which was named after
	the Shasta people
County seat	Redding
Largest city	Redding
Area	
• Total	9,960 km² (3,847 sq mi)
• Land	9,780 km² (3,775 sq mi)
• Water	190 km² (72 sq mi)
Population (April 1, 20	010) ^[1]
• Total	177,223
• Estimate (2019) ^[2]	180,080
Density	18/km ² (46/sq mi)
Time zone	UTC-8 (Pacific Standard Time)
Summer (DST)	UTC-7 (Pacific Daylight Time)

www.co.shasta.ca.us 🗗

Website

Shasta at one time favored the Democratic Party in Presidential elections. It went Democratic in all but one presidential election from 1932 to 1976, and was one of the few counties in the state to be won by George McGovern. However, since 1980, it has become one of the most Republican counties in the state in Presidential and congressional elections. The last Democrat to win a majority in the county was Jimmy Carter in 1976.

Presidential elections results

In the United States House of Representatives, Shasta County is in California's 1st congressional district, represented by Republican Doug LaMalfa.^[13]

In the California State Legislature, Shasta County is in the 1st Senate District, represented by Republican Brian Dahle,^[14] and the 1st Assembly District, represented by Republican Megan Dahle.^[15]

Transportation [edit]

Major highways [edit]

- 🐻 Interstate 5
- State Route 36
- A State Route 44
- State Route 89
- Gin State Route 151
- State Route 273
- B State Route 299

Public transportation [edit]

Redding Area Bus Authority (RABA) provides service in and around Redding. One route operates to Burney via State Route 299.

Amtrak's Coast Starlight serves Redding Station once a day in each direction. [citation needed]

Airports [edit]

Redding Municipal Airport has scheduled passenger flights. Other (general aviation) airports within the county include Benton Field (near Redding), Fall River Mills Airport, and Shingletown Airport.

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]

Cities by population and crime rates

Demographics [edit]

2011 [edit]

Population, race, and income [show]

Places by population, race, and income [edit]

Places by population and race	[show]
Places by population and income	[show]

2010 [edit]

The 2010 United States Census reported that Shasta County had a population of 177,223. The racial makeup of Shasta County was 153,726 (86.7%) White, 1,548 (0.9%) African American, 4,950 (2.8%) Native American, 4,391 (2.5%) Asian, 271 (0.2%) Pacific Islander, 4,501 (2.5%) from other races, and 7,836 (4.4%) from two or more races. Hispanic or Latino of any race were 14,878 persons (8.4%).^[25]

Population reported at 2010 United States Census [show]

2000 [edit]

As of the census^[30] of 2000, there were 163,256 people, 63,426 households, and 44,017 families residing in the county. The population density was 43 people per square mile (17/km²). There were 68,810 housing units at an average density of 18 per square mile (7/km²). The racial makeup of the county was 89.3% White, 0.8% Black or African American, 2.8% Native American, 1.9% Asian, 0.1% Pacific Islander, 1.7% from other races, and 3.5% from two or more races. 5.5% of the population were Hispanic or Latino of any race. 15.7% were of German, 12.3% English, 11.2% Irish, 9.9% American and 5.2% Italian ancestry according to Census 2000. 94.0% spoke English and 3.3% Spanish as their first language.

There were 63,426 households, out of which 31.7% had children under the age of 18 living with them, 53.0% were married couples living together, 11.9% had a female householder with no husband present, and 30.6% were non-families. 24.7% of all households were made up of individuals, and 10.2% had someone living alone who was 65 years of age or older. The average household size was 2.52 and the average family size was 2.98.

In the county, the population was spread out, with 26.1% under the age of 18, 8.2% from 18 to 24, 25.3% from 25 to 44, 25.2% from 45 to 64, and 15.2% who were 65 years of age or older. The median age was 39 years. For every 100 females there were 95.1 males. For every 100 females age 18 and over, there were 91.2 males.

The median income for a household in the county was \$34,335, and the median income for a family was \$40,491. Males had a median income of \$35,959 versus \$24,773 for females. The per capita income for the county was \$17,738. About 11.3% of families and 15.4% of the population were below the poverty line, including 21.0% of those under age 18 and 7.3% of those age 65 or over.

Government and policing [edit]

Shasta County government [edit]

Shasta County Sheriff [edit]

The sheriff provides prison administration and coroner services for the entire county and patrol, investigative, and coroner services for the unincorporated portions of the county.

Municipal police [edit]

Redding and Anderson have municipal police departments.

Annual events [edit]

- Kool April Nites (April): A classic car show
- Rodeo Week Festivities (May)
- Art Fair and Fiddler's Jamboree (May)
- Whiskeytown Regatta (May)
- Watershed Festival (May)
- Strawberry Festival (May)
- Shasta Dragonwood Celtic Faire (May)
- Redding Exchange Club Air Show (June)
- Shasta District Fair (June)
- Fall River Valley Century Bike Ride (July)
- Fourth of July Fireworks Celebration (July)

Historical population		
Census	Pop.	<u>%±</u>
1850	378	_
1860	4,360	1,053.4%
1870	4,173	-4.3%
1880	9,492	127.5%
1890	12,133	27.8%
1900	17,318	42.7%
1910	18,920	9.3%
1920	13,361	-29.4%
1930	13,927	4.2%
1940	28,800	106.8%
1950	36,413	26.4%
1960	59,468	63.3%
1970	77,640	30.6%
1980	115,715	49.0%
1990	147,036	27.1%
2000	163,256	11.0%
2010	177,223	8.6%
2019 (est.)	180,080 [2]	1.6%
U.S. Decennial Census ^[26] 1790-1960 ^[27] 1900–1990 ^[28]		

1990-2000^[29] 2010-2015^[1]

- Burney Basin Days (July)
- Fall River Valley Wild Rice Festival (Aug) Intermountain Fair, Fall River Valley (September) The Shasta County Fair
- Stillwater Pow Wow (September)
- Walk To End Alzheimer's (September)
- Big Bike Weekend (October)
- Fall River Valley Lights of Christmas Parade (December)
- Palo Cedro Honey Bee Festival (September)

Education [edit]

High schools and below [edit]

- 43 elementary schools
- 10 junior high schools
- 8 high schools
- 35 private schools

Colleges and universities [edit]

- Shasta County has four colleges and universities:
- Shasta College, Redding: 2 year, fully accredited
- Simpson University, Redding: 4 year, fully accredited
- National University, Redding: 4 year, fully accredited
- Shasta Bible College: 4 year

Housing [edit]

- Median price for a house is about \$183,000 as of early 2014.^[31]
- Median rental rate is \$700/month.[citation needed]

Points of interest [edit]

- Lassen Peak Lassen Volcanic National Park
- Shasta Lake
- Turtle Bay Exploration Park Hat Creek Radio Observatory
- · Iron Mountain Mine, one of the nation's most toxic waste sites
- Sundial Bridge/Turtle Bay, an architectural beauty and a natural habitat area surrounded by urbanization.

Happy Valley

Lakehead-Lakeshore

Montgomery Creek

Hat Creek

Keswick

McArthur

• Millville

- Burney Falls
- Whiskeytown Dam and Lake, with John F. Kennedy Memorial

Communities [edit]

Cities [edit]

- Anderson
- Redding
- Shasta Lake

Census-designated places [edit]

- Bella Vista
- Big Bend
- Burney
- Cassel
- Cottonwood
- Fall River Mills
- French Gulch

Unincorporated communities [edit]

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- Castella
- Centerville
- Dana
- Igo
- Oak Run
- Ono
- Platina
- Whiskeytown
- Whitmore

Population ranking [edit]

The population ranking of the following table is based on the 2010 census of Shasta County.^[32] *†* county seat

Rank 🗢	City/Town/etc. 🗢	Municipal type 🗢	Population (2010 Census) +
1	† Redding	City	89,861
2	Shasta Lake	City	10,164
3	Anderson	City	9,932
4	Cottonwood	CDP	3,316
5	Burney	CDP	3,154
6	Bella Vista	CDP	2,781
7	Shingletown	CDP	2,283
8	Shasta	CDP	1,771
9	Palo Cedro	CDP	1,269
10	Mountain Gate	CDP	943
11	Millville	CDP	727
12	Fall River Mills	CDP	573
13	Lakehead	CDP	461
14	Keswick	CDP	451
15	French Gulch	CDP	346
16	McArthur	CDP	338
17	Hat Creek	CDP	309
18	Cassel	CDP	207
19	Montgomery Creek	CDP	163
20	Round Mountain	CDP	155



Mountain Gate

- Old Station
- Palo Cedro
- Round Mountain
- Shasta
- Shingletown

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22	2	Old Station	CDP	51
23	3	Redding Rancheria ^[33]	AIAN	34
24	1	Roaring Creek Rancheria ^[34]	AIAN	14
25	5	Montgomery Creek Rancheria ^[35]	AIAN	12
26	6	Big Bend Rancheria ^[36]	AIAN	9

CDP

See also [edit]

Big Bend

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- List of school districts in Shasta County, California
- National Register of Historic Places listings in Shasta County, California
- 2018 Shasta County Wildfires: Carr Fire, Hirz Fire, Delta Fire

Notes [edit]

- 1. ^ Originally, Mount Shasta was within the county, but it is now part of Siskiyou County
- 2. ^ a b Percentage of registered voters with respect to total population. Percentages of party members with respect to registered voters follow.

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- 3. ^ Only larceny-theft cases involving property over \$400 in value are reported as property crimes.
- Other = Some other race + Two or more races
- 5. ^ Native American = Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander + American Indian or Alaska Native
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External links [edit]

- Official website 🖉 🖉
- Shasta Historical Society d − large database of historical Shasta County photographs
- Shastasearch.com: Shasta Regional Travel and Resource Guided
- Hiking trails in Shasta County



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