



## Mineral County, Nevada

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**Mineral County** is a county located in the U.S. state of Nevada. As of the 2020 census, the population was 4,554,<sup>[1]</sup> making it the fourth-least populous county in Nevada. Its county seat is Hawthorne.<sup>[2]</sup>

### History

Mineral County was carved out of Esmeralda County in 1911 shortly after the county seat of Esmeralda was moved to Goldfield in 1907. Its name came from the surrounding area, which is heavily mineralized. Hawthorne has always been its county seat. The county is listed as Nevada Historical Marker 16. The marker is located on U.S. Highway 95 at Walker Lake.<sup>[3]</sup>

### Geography

According to the U.S. Census Bureau, the county has a total area of 3,813 square miles (9,880 km<sup>2</sup>), of which 3,753 square miles (9,720 km<sup>2</sup>) is land and 60 square miles (160 km<sup>2</sup>) (1.6%) is water.<sup>[4]</sup> The highest point in Mineral County is Mount Grant at 11,285 ft (3,440 m).

**Major highways**  [edit]

- Interstate 11 (Future)
- U.S. Route 6
- U.S. Route 95
- U.S. Route 95 Alternate
- U.S. Route 95 Truck (Hawthorne)
- State Route 359
- State Route 360
- State Route 361

**Adjacent counties**  [edit]

- Lyon County - northwest
- Churchill County - north
- Nye County - northeast
- Esmeralda County - southeast
- Mono County, California - southwest

**National protected areas**  [edit]

- Inyo National Forest (part)
- Toiyabe National Forest (part)

### Demographics

**2000 census**  [edit]

At the 2000 census there were 5,071 people, 2,197 households, and 1,379 families living in the county. The population density was 1 person per square mile (1/km<sup>2</sup>). There were 2,866 housing units at an average density of 1 per square mile (0/km<sup>2</sup>). The racial makeup of the county was 73.9% White, 4.8% Black or African American, 15.5% Native American, 0.8% Asian, 0.1% Pacific Islander, 2.7% from other races, and 2.4% from two or more races. 8.44% of the population were Hispanic or Latino of any race.<sup>[10]</sup> Of the 2,197 households 25.40% had children under the age of 18 living with them, 45.20% were married couples living together, 11.50% had a female householder with no husband present, and 37.20% were non-families. 31.60% of households were one person and 15.10% were one person aged 65 or older. The average household size was 2.26 and the average family size was 2.78.

The age distribution was 24.40% under the age of 18, 6.20% from 18 to 24, 22.50% from 25 to 44, 27.10% from 45 to 64, and 19.80% 65 or older. The median age was 43 years. For every 100 females, there were 101.60 males. For every 100 females age 18 and over, there were 98.30 males.

The median household income was \$32,891 and the median family income was \$39,477. Males had a median income of \$31,929 versus \$25,262 for females. The per capita income for the county was \$16,952. About 11.00% of families and 15.20% of the population were below the poverty line, including 17.70% of those under age 18 and 10.70% of those age 65 or over.

**2010 census**  [edit]

At the 2010 census, there were 4,772 people, 2,240 households, and 1,258 families living in the county.<sup>[11]</sup> The population density was 1.3 inhabitants per square mile (0.50/km<sup>2</sup>). There were 2,830 housing units at an average density of 0.8 per square mile (0.31/km<sup>2</sup>).<sup>[12]</sup> The racial makeup of the county was 72.5% white, 15.5% Native American, 4.1% black or African American, 1.1% Asian, 0.1% Pacific Islander, 2.1% from other races, and 4.4% from two or more races. Those of Hispanic or Latino origin made up 9.1% of the population.<sup>[11]</sup> In terms of ancestry, 23.8% were English, 18.5% were German, 13.8% were Irish, 9.3% were Scottish, 5.2% were Portuguese, and 3.7% were American.<sup>[13]</sup>

Of the 2,240 households, 21.2% had children under the age of 18 living with them, 39.0% were married couples living together, 11.2% had a female householder with no husband present, 43.8% were non-families, and 36.7% of households were made up of individuals. The average household size was 2.11 and the average family size was 2.70. The median age was 49.2 years.<sup>[11]</sup>

The median household income was \$35,446 and the median family income was \$57,064. Males had a median income of \$48,281 versus \$33,830 for females. The per capita income for the county was \$23,226. About 11.4% of families and 19.1% of the population were below the poverty line, including 11.0% of those under age 18 and 12.6% of those age 65 or over.<sup>[14]</sup>

### Communities

There are no incorporated communities in Mineral County.

**Census-designated places**  [edit]

- Hawthorne (county seat)
- Mina
- Schurz
- Walker Lake

**Unincorporated communities**  [edit]

- Luning

**Other places**  [edit]

- Aurora
- Babbitt
- Basalt
- Belleville
- Broken Hills
- Candelaria
- Eagleville
- Kinkaid
- Lucky Boy
- Marietta
- Montgomery Pass
- Omco

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Country	<span><span><span></span></span><span> </span></span> United States
State	<span><span><span></span></span><span> </span></span> Nevada
Founded	1911; 112 years ago
Named for	Mineral
Seat	Hawthorne
Largest community	Hawthorne
Area	
<span> </span> • <span> </span> Total	3,813 <span> </span> sq <span> </span> mi (9,880 <span> </span> km <sup>2</sup> )
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<span> </span> • <span> </span> Water	60 <span> </span> sq <span> </span> mi (200 <span> </span> km <sup>2</sup> ) 1.6%
Population <span>(2020)</span>	
<span> </span> • <span> </span> Total	4,554
<span> </span> • <span> </span> Density	1.2/sq <span> </span> mi (0.46/km <sup>2</sup> )
Time zone	UTC−8 (Pacific)
<span> </span> • <span> </span> Summer (DST)	UTC−7 (PDT)
Congressional district	4th
Website	<span>mineralcountynv.us</span> <span><span></span></span>



Walker Lake Recreation Area, a popular scenic attraction

**Historical population**

Census	Pop.	%±
<b>1920</b>	1,848	—
<b>1930</b>	1,863	0.8%
<b>1940</b>	2,342	25.7%
<b>1950</b>	5,560	137.4%
<b>1960</b>	6,329	13.8%
<b>1970</b>	7,051	11.4%
<b>1980</b>	6,217	−11.8%
<b>1990</b>	6,475	4.1%
<b>2000</b>	5,071	−21.7%
<b>2010</b>	4,772	−5.9%
<b>2020</b>	4,554	−4.6%
<span><span></span></span> U.S. Decennial Census <sup>[8]</sup>		
<span><span></span></span> 1790-1960 <sup>[9]</sup>		
<span><span></span></span> 1990-2000 <sup>[9]</sup>		
<span><span></span></span> 2010-2018 <sup>[1]</sup>		



Sodaville, a ghost town near Mina

### Politics

**See also**  [edit]

- National Register of Historic Places listings in Mineral County, Nevada

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### External links

- Official website
- Mineral County
- Mineral County Chamber of Commerce
- Walker Lake Recreation Area

<span>Places adjacent to Mineral County, Nevada</span>	[show]
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