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Stevens County is a county located in the U.S. state of Washington along the Canada–US border. At the 2020 census, its population was 46,445.^[1] As of July 2021, the population was estimated to be 47,426. The county seat and largest city is Colville.^[2] The county was created in 1863^[3] and named after Isaac Stevens, the first governor of Washington Territory.

Stevens County is included in the Spokane–Spokane Valley, WA Metropolitan Statistical Area.

Geography

According to the United States Census Bureau, the county has a total area of 2,541 square miles (6,580 km²), of which 2,478 square miles (6,420 km²) is land and 63 square miles (160 km²) (2.5%) is water.^[4]

Geographic features

- Columbia River

Adjacent counties

- Pend Oreille County – east
- Spokane County – southeast
- Lincoln County – southwest
- Ferry County – west
- Kootenay Boundary Regional District, British Columbia – northeast
- Regional District of Central Kootenay, British Columbia – north

National protected areas

- Pacific Northwest National Scenic Trail (part)
- Colville National Forest (part)
- Kaniksu National Forest (part)
- Lake Roosevelt National Recreation Area (part)
- Little Pend Oreille National Wildlife Refuge (part)

Demographics

2000 census

As of the 2000 census, there were 40,066 people, 15,017 households, and 11,022 families in the county. The population density was 16 people per square mile (6.2 people/km²). There were 17,599 housing units at an average density of 7 units per square mile (2.7 units/km²). The racial makeup of the county was 90.05% White, 0.28% Black or African American, 5.66% Native American, 0.48% Asian, 0.16% Pacific Islander, 0.68% from other races, and 2.70% from two or more races. 1.84%^[10] were Hispanic or Latino of any race. 20.6% were of German, 18.9% United States or American, 10.0% English, 7.9% Irish and 5.0% Norwegian ancestry.

Of the 15,017 households 34.40% had children under the age of 18 living with them, 60.40% were married couples living together, 8.70% had a female householder with no husband present, and 26.60% were non-families. 22.00% of households were one person and 8.80% were one person aged 65 or older. The average household size was 2.64 and the average family size was 3.08.

The age distribution was 28.70% under the age of 18, 6.40% from 18 to 24, 24.90% from 25 to 44, 27.10% from 45 to 64, and 12.90% 65 or older. The median age was 39 years. For every 100 females there were 99.10 males. For every 100 females age 18 and over, there were 96.60 males.

The median household income was \$34,673 and the median family income was \$40,250. Males had a median income of \$35,256 versus \$23,679 for females. The per capita income for the county was \$15,895. About 11.50% of families and 15.90% of the population were below the poverty line, including 19.80% of those under age 18 and 11.90% of those age 65 or over.

2010 census

As of the 2010 census,^[11] the population density was 17.6 people per square mile (6.8 people/km²). There were 21,156 housing units at an average density of 8.5 units per square mile (3.3 units/km²).^[12] The racial makeup of the county was 88.9% White, 0.6% Black or African American, 1.5% Native American, 1.5% Asian, 0.2% Pacific Islander, 3.5% from other races, 3.7% two or more races. Those of Hispanic or Latino origin made up 2.7% of the population.^[11] In terms of ancestry, 24.6% were German, 14.2% were Irish, 13.7% were English, 6.4% were Norwegian, and 6.1% were American.^[13]

Of the households, 29.6% had children under the age of 18 living with them, 56.3% were married couples living together, 9.0% had a female householder with no husband present, 29.9% were non-families, and 24.6% of households were made up of individuals. The average household size was 2.50 and the average family size was 2.95. The median age was 45.0 years.^[11]

The median household income was \$42,845 and the median family income was \$51,544. Males had a median income of \$46,721 versus \$33,651 for females. The per capita income for the county was \$21,773. About 11.0% of families and 15.1% of the population were below the poverty line, including 21.1% of those under age 18 and 9.3% of those age 65 or over.^[14]

Communities

Cities

- Chewelah
- Colville (county seat)
- Kettle Falls

Towns

- Marcus
- Northport
- Springdale

Census-designated places

- Addy
- Clayton
- Loon Lake
- Suncrest
- Valley

Unincorporated communities

- Arden
- Bluecreek
- Cedonia
- Daisy
- Echo
- Evans
- Ford
- Fruitland
- Gifford
- Hunters
- Nine Mile Falls
- Onion Creek
- Rice
- Turtum (also known as Tum Tum)
- Wellpint

Politics

See also

- National Register of Historic Places listings in Stevens County, Washington

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Stevens County Courthouse in Colville



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Location within the U.S. state of Washington



Washington's location within the U.S.
Coordinates: 48°24′N 117°51′W﻿ / ﻿48.40°N 117.85°W﻿ / 48.40; -117.85

Country	 United States
State	 Washington
Founded	January 20, 1863
Named for	Isaac Stevens
Seat	Colville
Largest city	Colville
Area	
 • Total	2,541 sq mi (6,580 km ²)
 • Land	2,478 sq mi (6,420 km ²)
 • Water	63 sq mi (160 km ²) 2.5%
Population (2020)	
 • Total	46,445
 • Estimate (2022)	48,229 ▲
 • Density	18/sq mi (7/km ²)
Time zone	UTC−8 (Pacific)
 • Summer (DST)	UTC−7 (PDT)
Congressional district	5th
Website	www.stevenscountywa.gov ℹ

Historical population		
Census	Pop.	%±
1860	996	—
1870	734	−26.3%
1880	1,245	69.6%
1890	4,341	248.7%
1900	10,543	142.9%
1910	25,297	139.9%
1920	21,605	−14.6%
1930	18,550	−14.1%
1940	19,275	3.9%
1950	18,580	−3.6%
1960	17,884	−3.7%
1970	17,405	−2.7%
1980	28,979	66.5%
1990	30,948	6.8%
2000	40,066	29.5%
2010	43,531	8.6%
2020	46,445	6.7%
2022 (est.)	48,229 ^[5]	3.8%

U.S. Decennial Census^[6]
1790–1969^[7] 1900–1990^[8]
1990–2000^[9] 2010–2020^[1]

United States presidential election results for Stevens County, Washington^{[5][9]} [hide]

Year	Republican		Democratic		Third party	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
2020	19,808	69.67%	7,839	27.57%	783	2.75%
2016	15,161	64.80%	5,767	24.65%	2,467	10.54%
2012	13,691	60.85%	7,762	34.50%	1,047	4.65%
2008	13,132	58.13%	6,499	37.62%	960	4.25%
2004	13,015	63.99%	6,822	33.54%	503	2.47%
2000	11,299	62.76%	5,560	30.89%	1,140	6.33%
1996	7,524	46.96%	5,591	34.90%	2,907	18.14%

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1992	5,706	38.59%	4,960	33.54%	4,121	27.87%
1988	6,576	54.97%	5,068	42.37%	318	2.66%
1984	8,211	64.29%	4,304	33.70%	256	2.00%
1980	7,094	61.53%	3,584	31.08%	852	7.39%
1976	4,719	51.81%	3,824	41.98%	566	6.21%
1972	4,839	61.26%	2,390	30.26%	670	8.48%
1968	3,435	46.77%	2,948	40.14%	962	13.10%
1964	3,302	43.57%	4,266	56.29%	10	0.13%
1960	4,076	51.24%	3,861	48.54%	18	0.23%
1956	4,499	54.06%	3,808	45.76%	15	0.18%
1952	4,458	56.54%	3,355	42.55%	72	0.91%
1948	2,977	40.05%	4,205	56.56%	252	3.39%
1944	3,151	43.98%	3,951	53.14%	63	0.88%
1940	3,238	39.45%	4,904	59.75%	66	0.80%
1936	1,981	28.57%	4,536	65.41%	418	6.03%
1932	2,247	32.13%	4,262	60.94%	485	6.93%
1928	3,813	63.05%	2,147	35.50%	88	1.46%
1924	2,909	48.94%	685	11.52%	2,350	39.54%
1920	3,282	55.68%	1,452	24.64%	1,160	19.68%
1916	2,684	40.32%	3,184	47.84%	788	11.84%
1912	810	13.50%	1,979	32.98%	3,212	53.52%
1908	2,546	52.13%	1,564	32.02%	774	15.85%
1904	2,369	63.31%	872	23.30%	501	13.39%
1900	1,121	39.95%	1,612	57.45%	73	2.60%
1896	433	18.08%	1,926	80.42%	36	1.50%
1892	622	37.31%	501	30.05%	544	32.63%

Further reading

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External links

- Stevens County, Washington Government Page
- The Stevens County Wiki Project: A community wiki project, dedicated to creating an online wiki guide to Stevens County, Washington. Powered by Media Wiki.
- Stevens County Rural Library District: hosts of the Stevens County Wiki Project, the Stevens County Library District (SCRLD) has various regional links available from their website.
- Stevens County Heritage: Historical photos and documents from the Libraries of Stevens County.
- uppercolumbia.net: a regional portal site for Stevens County and beyond. Includes business links and events calendar.
- The Heritage Network: History and Genealogy Resources for the Upper Columbia Region.
- An 1884 hailstorm in Stevens County on Wikisource
- Crossroads on the Columbia: Preserve America Project Interpretive Section
- Crossroads on the Columbia: Preserve America Project collection, exhibits, and images from museum and private collections covering Stevens County

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