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Alpine County, California

Not to be confused with Alpine, California.

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Alpine County (Spanish: Condado Alpino)[4][5][6] is a county in eastern California, located within the Sierra Nevada. As of the 2010 census, the population was 1,175,[7] making it California's least populous county. The county seat is the community of Markleeville.^[8]

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Alpine County was created on March 16, 1864, during a silver boom in the wake of the nearby Comstock Lode discovery. [1] It was named because of its resemblance to the Swiss Alps. [9] The county was formed from parts of Amador, Calaveras, El Dorado, Mono and Tuolumne counties.^[1] At its formation, there was a population of about 11,000 with its county seat at Silver Mountain City. By 1868, however, the local silver mines had proven

History [edit]

unfruitful; and the population fell to about 1,200. The county seat moved to Markleeville in 1875. [1]

After the silver rush, Alpine County's economy consisted almost entirely of farming, ranching, and logging. By the 1920s, the population had fallen to just 200 people. With the construction of the Bear Valley and Kirkwood ski resorts in the late 1960s, the population increased to the present level.

Geography [edit]

Adjacent counties [edit]

According to the U.S. Census Bureau, the county has an area of 743 square miles (1,920 km²), of which 738 square miles (1,910 km²) is land and 4.8 square miles (12 km²) (0.7%) is water. [10] The federal government owns about 96% of Alpine County, the highest percentage in California.[11]

 El Dorado County – northwest Douglas County, Nevada – northeast

• Mono County – southeast

National protected areas [edit]

Eldorado National Forest (part)

• Tuolumne County - south • Calaveras County - southwest

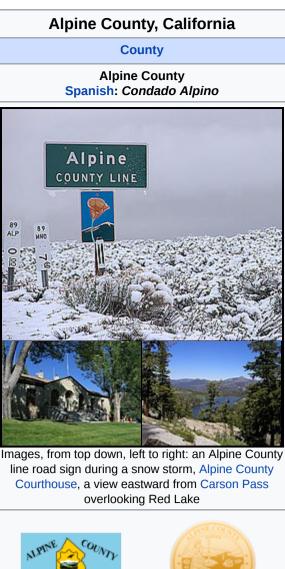
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Demographics [edit]

2011 [edit]

Population, race, and income [show] Places by population, race, and income [edit]



Coordinates: 38.58°N 119.80°W







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Location in the state of California	
Country	United States
State	California
Region	Sierra Nevada
Incorporated	March 16, 1864 ^[1]
Named for	Its location in the Sierra
	Nevada resembling the (Swiss) Alps
	, , ,
County seat	Markleeville
Largest community	Markleeville
• Total	742 og mi (1 020 km²)
• Land	743 sq mi (1,920 km²)
• Water	738 sq mi (1,910 km²)
	4.8 sq mi (12 km ²)
Highest elevation ^{[2}	2] 11,464 ft (3,494 m)
Population (April 1, 2010) ^[3]	
• Total	1,175
• Estimate (2019)[3	3 1,129
• Density	1.6/sq mi (0.61/km ²)
Time zone	UTC-8 (Pacific Standard
	Time)
• Summer (DST)	UTC-7 (Pacific Daylight
	Time)



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Area codes

FIPS code

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[show] [show] The 2010 United States Census reported that Alpine County had a population of 1,175. The racial makeup of Alpine County was 881 (75.0%) White, 0 (0.0%) African American, 240 (20.4%) Native American, 7 (0.6%) Asian, 0 (0.0%) Pacific **Historical population** Census Pop.

> 1870 1880

1910

685

539

309

243

-21.3%

23.7% -23.7%

-39.3%

-21.4%

Population reported at 2010 United States Census [show]

Places by population and race

Places by population and income

2000 [edit] As of the census^[25] of 2000, there were 1,208 people, 483 households, and 295 families residing in the county. The population density was 2 people per square mile (1/km²). There were 1,514 housing units at an average density of 2 per

square mile (1/km²). The racial makeup of the county was 73.7% White, 0.6% Black or African American, 18.9% Native American, 0.1% Pacific Islander, 1.4% from other races, and 5.1% from two or more races. 7.8% of the

2010 [edit]

population were Hispanic or Latino of any race. 12.1% were of German, 12.1% Irish, 9.3% English, 6.5% American and 5.7% Italian ancestry. 95.0% spoke English, 3.1% Spanish and 2.0% Washo as their first language.

of all households were made up of individuals, and 5.4% had someone living alone who was 65 years of age or older. The average household size was 2.50 and the average family size was 2.96.

In the county, the population was spread out, with 22.8% under the age of 18, 10.4% from 18 to 24, 27.5% from 25 to 44, 29.3% from 45 to 64, and 9.9% who were 65 years of age or older. The median age was 39 years. For every 100 females there were 110.8 males. For every 100 females age 18 and over, there were 117.2 males.

The median income for a household in the county was \$41,875, and the median income for a family was \$50,250. Males had a median income of \$36,544 versus \$25,800 for females. The per capita income for the county was \$24,431. About 12.0% of families and 19.5% of the population were below the poverty line, including 27.4% of those under age 18 and 10.1% of those age 65 or over.

1930 241 -0.8%1940 323 34.0% **1950** 241 -25.4% 1960 397 64.7% There were 483 households, out of which 25.5% had children under the age of 18 living with them, 43.9% were married couples living together, 11.0% had a female householder with no husband present, and 38.9% were non-families. 27.7% 1970 484 21.9% **1980** 1,097 126.7% 1990 1,113 1.5% 2000 1,208 2010 1,175 -2.7%**2019 (est.)** 1,129 [3] -3.9% U.S. Decennial Census^[20] 1790-1960^[21] 1900-1990^[22] 1990-2000^[23] 2010-2018^[7]

Alpine has become more of a Democratic-leaning county in recent elections. It was carried by John Kerry in 2004 and has stayed in the Democratic column since.

Politics [edit]

Presidential elections results [show] In November 2008, Alpine was one of just three counties in California's interior in which voters rejected Proposition 8, the ballot initiative to amend the California Constitution to reject the legal extension of the title of marriage to same-sex couples. Alpine voters rejected Proposition 8 by 56.4 percent to 43.6 percent. The other interior counties in which Proposition 8 failed to receive a majority of votes were neighboring Mono County and Yolo County. [30]

Alpine County is in California's 4th congressional district, represented by Republican Tom McClintock. [32] In the State Senate, the county is in the 1st Senate District, represented by Republican Brian Dahle. [34]

Due to its low population density, Alpine County votes entirely by mail, one of two counties in California which do so. [35] In the June 2014 primary elections, about 22% of registered voters went to the polls. In Alpine County, the number was almost 70%, the highest of any county in the state.^[36]

Posse Comitatus controversy [edit]

(26.3%) declined to state a political party.^[31]

Crime [edit]

Population and crime rates [show]

Transportation [edit]

Islander, 19 (1.6%) from other races, and 28 (2.4%) from two or more races. Hispanic or Latino of any race were 84 persons (7.1%). [24]

Major highways [edit] • A State Route 4 • 👔 State Route 88

Airport [edit]

Communities [edit] All unincorporated

• Alpine Village^[note 5] • Bear Valley^[note 5] Fredericksburg

† county seat

Rank 🕈

Population ranking [edit] The population ranking of the following table is based on the 2010 census of Alpine County. [41]

2 † Markleeville 3 **Mesa Vista**

Alpine County Unified School District

City/Town/etc.

Woodfords Community^[42]

4 Kirkwood (partially in Amador County) | CDP 158 5 CDP 121 **Bear Valley** CDP 114 **Alpine Village** See also [edit]

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 3. ^ Percentage of registered voters with respect to total population. Percentages of party members with respect to registered voters follow.

4. ^ Only larceny-theft cases involving property over \$400 in value are reported as property crimes. 5. ^ a b c d e For statistical purposes, defined by the United States Census Bureau as a census-designated place (CDP).

National Register of Historic Places listings in Alpine County, California

• Stonewall Nation, a proposal by gay activists to colonize Alpine County in the 1970s

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Throughout the 20th century, Alpine County was a Republican stronghold in presidential and congressional elections. From 1892 until 2004, the only Democrat to carry Alpine County in a presidential election was Franklin Roosevelt in 1932 and 1936. In 1964, Alpine was one of only five counties in the state to back Barry Goldwater. It was among the five most Republican counties in the entire nation in 1892, [26] 1908, [27] 1920, [28] and 1928. [29] Warren Harding and Herbert Hoover gained over ninety percent of the county's vote. However, According to the California Secretary of State, as of January 2016, there are 696 registered voters in Alpine County. Of those, 257 (36.9%) are registered Republican, 46 (6.6%) are registered with other political parties, and 183

In the late 1970s, the Posse Comitatus organization attempted to take over Alpine County by settling there and fielding candidates in local elections. [37] The Posse thought winning local elections in Alpine County was their best opportunity to take control of a single county.

Voter registration statistics [edit] **Population and registered voters [show]**

The group fielded a candidate for sheriff and registered fictitious voters using post office boxes and vacant lots as their addresses. Six people were prosecuted for voter fraud, the false registrations were thrown out, and the incumbent sheriff was re-elected. [38]

The following table includes the number of incidents reported and the rate per 1,000 persons for each type of offense.

• 👸 State Route 89

♦ Municipal type **♦** Population (2010 Census) **♦**

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Alpine County Airport is a general aviation airport in the Eastern Sierra about 4 miles (6.4 km) from the town of Markleeville. The airport consists of a simple airstrip with an apron for small light aircraft to park. The airport has no buildings, no lights, and is rarely used. The airport is popular with astronomers due to the clear, dark skies. [citation needed]

• Markleeville (county seat)[note 5] Woodfords • Kirkwood^[note 5] Mesa Vista^[note 5]

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