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Union County is one of the 36 counties in the U.S. state of Oregon. As of the 2010 census, the population was 25,748. [1] Its county seat is La Grande.[2]

Union County comprises the La Grande, OR Micropolitan Statistical Area. It is one of the eight counties of eastern Oregon.

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According to Oregon Geographic Names, the county is named for the town of Union. Union County was originally part of Wasco County. The northern end of the Grande Ronde Valley was the first part to be settled. [3] During the 1860s, population growth in eastern Oregon prompted the State Legislature to split Umatilla and Baker Counties from Wasco County in 1862. Further

settlement in the Grande Ronde Valley led to the division of Baker County to create Union County on October 14, 1864. The county doubled in population between 1880 and 1890.[3] The choice of a county seat resulted in competition, based on geography and on economic and population growth, between La Grande and the city of Union. The county seat alternated between Union and La Grande until it permanently came to rest at La

Grande in 1905. Between 1875 and 1913, adjustments were made between Union County's borders and the borders of Baker, Umatilla, and Wallowa counties. Geography [edit]



(5,280 km²), of which 2,037 square miles (5,280 km²) is land and 1.9 square miles (4.9 km²) (0.1%) is water. [4] The Forest Service owns 47% of the land in the county.[citation needed] Adjacent counties [edit]

- Umatilla County (northwest) Wallowa County (northeast)
- Baker County (southeast) Grant County (southwest)

Demographics [edit] 2000 census [edit]

As of the census^[10] of 2000, there were 24,530 people, 9,740 households, and 6,516 families living in the county. The population density was 12

people per square mile (5/km²). There were 10,603 housing units at an average density of 5 per square mile (2/km²). The racial makeup of the county was 94.29% White, 0.85% Native American, 0.85% Asian, 0.62% Pacific Islander, 0.51% Black/African American, 1.22% from other races, and 1.67% from two or more races. Hispanics and Latinos of any race constitute 2.45% of the population. 20.2% were of German, 15.5% American, 12.2% English and 10.5% Irish ancestry. There were 9,740 households, out of which 30.00% had children under the age of 18 living with them, 55.10% were married couples living together,

8.50% had a female householder with no husband present, and 33.10% were non-families. 26.10% of all households were made up of individuals, and 10.80% had someone living alone who was 65 years of age or older. The average household size was 2.45 and the average family size was In the county, the population was spread out, with 24.60% under the age of 18, 12.10% from 18 to 24, 23.50% from 25 to 44, 25.00% from 45 to 64,

and 14.70% who were 65 years of age or older. The median age was 38 years. For every 100 females there were 95.10 males. For every 100 females age 18 and over, there were 92.40 males. The median income for a household in the county was \$33,738, and the median income for a family was \$40,520. Males had a median income of

\$33,028 versus \$21,740 for females. The per capita income for the county was \$16,907. About 8.50% of families and 13.80% of the population were below the poverty line, including 13.60% of those under age 18 and 9.50% of those age 65 or over.

As of the 2010 United States Census, there were 25,748 people, 10,501 households, and 6,804 families living in the county. [11] The population

2010 census [edit]

density was 12.6 inhabitants per square mile (4.9/km²). There were 11,489 housing units at an average density of 5.6 per square mile (2.2/km²). [12] The racial makeup of the county was 93.1% white, 1.1% American Indian, 0.9% Pacific islander, 0.8% Asian, 0.5% black or African American, 1.3% from other races, and 2.3% from two or more races. Those of Hispanic or Latino origin made up 3.9% of the population. [11] In terms of ancestry, 25.2% were German, 17.8% were Irish, 17.3% were English, and 6.9% were American.^[13] Of the 10,501 households, 28.2% had children under the age of 18 living with them, 51.3% were married couples living together, 9.5% had a female householder with no husband

age was 40.0 years.[11] The median income for a household in the county was \$42,162 and the median income for a family was \$52,558. Males had a median income of \$40,720 versus \$30,373 for females.

The per capita income for the county was \$22,947. About 10.5% of families and 16.1% of the population were below the poverty line, including 22.6% of those under age 18 and 10.2% of those age 65 or over.[14]

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- Government and politics [edit]

Oregon Legislative Assembly [edit] Union County is located in Oregon State House District 58 which is currently represented by Greg Baretto. It is also

located in Oregon State Senate District 29, represented by Bill Hansell. Both Barreto and Hansell are registered Republicans.[18]

Board of Commissioners [edit] Beverage. [needs update] [19]

Economy [edit]

Elkhorn Valley Wind Farm, owned and operated by Horizon Wind Energy and whose power is sold to Idaho Power. [20] Since October 2010, the county board of commissioners has

supported a "strategic investment program" for another wind power project in Oregon, Horizon Wind Energy's proposed Antelope Ridge Wind Farm; [21] after delays due to concerns about the project's impact on wildlife. [22] the project has received support from Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife. [23] Nearby mountains and streams offer hunting, fishing, skiing, and camping, all of which attract vacationers. Attractions include the Anthony Lakes (and its ski area), Minam River, Mount Emily, Blue Mountains, Umatilla National Forest, Wallowa-Whitman National Forest (including Eagle Cap Wilderness), Catherine Creek State Park, Hilgard Junction State Recreation Area, Thief Valley Reservoir, Cove Hot Springs Pool, the Hot Lake Hotel (first built in the 1860s due to nearby hot springs), and the Eagle Cap Excursion Train.

based on natural resources, including farming (wheat, fruit, vegetables, mint, and grass seed), ranching (cattle and sheep), and timber. The ridges of Pyles Canyon are the site of the

Notable people [edit] • John Lamoreau, former county official and author of Waging Peace: A Study in Biblical Pacifism

Notes [edit] a. ^ The leading "other" candidate, Progressive Theodore Roosevelt, received 946 votes, while Socialist Eugene Debs received 334 votes, Prohibition

candidate Eugene Chafin received 93 votes.

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Union County Museum Location within the U.S. state of Oregon Oregon's location within the U.S. Coordinates: 45°19'38"N 118°05'36"W United States Country **State** Oregon Founded October 14, 1864 According to the U.S. Census Bureau, the county has a total area of 2,039 square miles La Grande **Seat** Largest city La Grande Area Total 2,039 sq mi (5,280 km²)

Land

Water

Total

Density

Time zone

Website

Population (2010)

• Estimate (2019)

Summer (DST)

Congressional district

1870 2,552 1880 6,550 156.7% 1890 12,044 83.9% 1900 16,070 33.4% 1910 16,191 0.8% 1920 16,636 2.7% 1930 17,492 5.1% 1940 17,399 -0.5%1950 17,962 3.2% 1960 18,180 1.2% 1970 19,377 6.6% 1980 23,921 23.5% 1990 23,598 -1.4%2000 24,530 3.9% 2010 25,748 **2019 (est.)** 26,835^[5]

2,037 sq mi (5,280 km²)

25,748

26,835

2nd

Census

13/sq mi (5/km²)

UTC-8 (Pacific)

UTC-7 (PDT)

1.9 sq mi (5 km²) 0.1%%

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<u>%±</u>

Historical population

Pop.

5.0% 4.2% U.S. Decennial Census^[6] 1790-1960^[7] 1900-1990^[8] 1990-2000^[9] 2010-2019^[1] present, 35.2% were non-families, and 27.6% of all households were made up of individuals. The average household size was 2.38 and the average family size was 2.89. The median

Communities [edit] Cities [edit]

La Grande (county seat)

Perry

Pondosa

Starkey

Telocaset

North Powder

Summerville

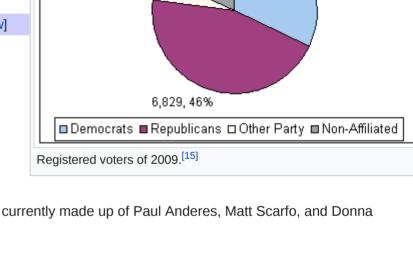
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Republican Donald Trump, while 25 percent voted for Democrat Hillary Clinton and 10 percent of voters either voted for a Third Party candidate or wrote in a candidate. [16] These numbers show a large shift away from the Democratic party towards third party candidates when compared to the 2012 presidential election, when 63.2% of Union Country voters voted for Mitt Romney, 32.9% voted for Barack Obama, and 3.8% of voters either voted for a third party candidate or wrote in a candidate. Presidential elections results [show]

Like the rest of eastern Oregon, the majority of registered voters who are part of a political party in Union County belong to the Republican Party. [15] In the 2016 presidential election, 65 percent of Union County voters voted for

Union County is represented and governed by three commissioners. The Union County Board of Commissioners is currently made up of Paul Anderes, Matt Scarfo, and Donna



The initial economic interest in Union County was mining, but most of the mines were in the area annexed by Baker County in 1901. [citation needed] The local economy continues to be

Breakdown of registered voters in Union County, Oregon (as of March 2009)

4,916, 32%

2,815, 18%

682, 49

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