



## UTAH

### In Brief

"Through most of Utah's history, political strength was fairly evenly divided between the Democratic and Republican parties. But in the late 1900's, power shifted to the Republicans."

*Resource: World Book 2008*

Capital: Salt Lake City

Area: 84,899 sq mi

Population: 2,550,063

*Resource: World Almanac 2008*

Utah's 2007 population of about 2.6 million includes a higher percentage of whites, a lower percentage blacks, and a lower percentage of Hispanics than the nation as a whole, according to U.S. Census Bureau statistics. About 68 percent of Utah's voting-age citizens cast a ballot in the 2004 general election. The national rate was 64 percent.

More information at: <http://www.census.gov/population/www/socdemo/voting.html>

<b>Selected Characteristics</b>	<b>Utah</b>	<b>U.S.</b>
Median age	28.3	36.4
Women	49.7%	50.7%
White alone, not Hispanic or Latino	82.9%	66.4%
Black alone	1.0%	12.8%
Hispanic or Latino	11.2%	14.8%
Median household income	\$51,309	\$48,451
Foreign born	8.3%	12.5%
Persons below poverty	10.6%	13.3%
Bachelor's degree or higher (age 25+)	28.6%	27.0%
Median home value	\$188,500	\$185,200

Source: U.S. Census Bureau Total Population Estimates (2007), State Population Estimates by Characteristics (2006), American Community Survey (2006).

## More Resources

<b>Government Information</b>
<p>The official web site for the State Utah <a href="http://www.utah.gov/">http://www.utah.gov/</a></p> <p>Governor of Utah <a href="http://www.utah.gov/governor/index.html">http://www.utah.gov/governor/index.html</a></p> <p>Utah - Elected officials in U.S. Senate <a href="http://www.senate.gov/general/contact_information/senators_cfm.cfm?State=UT">http://www.senate.gov/general/contact_information/senators_cfm.cfm?State=UT</a></p> <p>Utah - Elected officials in U.S. House of Representatives <a href="http://www.house.gov/house/MemberWWW_by_State.shtml#de">http://www.house.gov/house/MemberWWW_by_State.shtml#de</a></p>
<b>Elections 2008</b>
<p>Politics 1: Utah Directory <a href="http://www.politicsone.com/ut.htm">http://www.politicsone.com/ut.htm</a></p> <p>The Green Papers: Utah 2008 General elections - General <a href="http://www.thegreenpapers.com/G08/UT.phtml">http://www.thegreenpapers.com/G08/UT.phtml</a></p> <p>State Utah Election Office <a href="http://elections.utah.gov/">http://elections.utah.gov/</a></p>
<b>Statistics</b>
<p>Utah - Quick facts from the US Census Bureau <a href="http://quickfacts.census.gov/qfd/states/49000.html">http://quickfacts.census.gov/qfd/states/49000.html</a></p>
<b>Media</b>
<p>Local newspapers <a href="http://www.newslink.org/utnews.html">http://www.newslink.org/utnews.html</a></p> <p>Local radio stations <a href="http://www.newslink.org/utradi.html">http://www.newslink.org/utradi.html</a></p>
<b>General Information</b>
<p>Infoplease Utah <a href="http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108279.html">http://www.infoplease.com/ipa/A0108279.html</a></p> <p>50states.com - Utah <a href="http://www.50states.com/utah.htm">http://www.50states.com/utah.htm</a></p>

Please find more information at  
<http://usa.usembassy.de/classroom/electionproject2008/index>