



INFORMATION ABOUT

Lincoln County Quality of Life

Lincoln County Public Safety

	Population	Lincoln County Crime Rate	Western States Crime Rate*	National Crime Rate
2007	3,987	14.31**	N/A	N/A
2006	3,987	13.04	N/A	38.27
2005	3,886	12.61	42.94	39.28
2004	3,822	12.56	44.04	40.11
2003	3,749	18.14	44.69	40.94

Source: State of Nevada Department of Motor Vehicles and Public Safety. Crime rate based on the occurrence of an index offense per 1,000 residents of the area. *Western States consist of Arizona, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah, and Wyoming. **Yearly total as of December 2007.

Climate

Monthly Temperature (F)

	2005	2006*	2007*	Average
January	39.8	37.3	28.3	35.1
February	40.7	38.4	39.7	39.6
March	44.6	39.4	48.0	44.0
April	46.0	51.4	54.8	50.7
May	65.3	64.8	62.5	64.2
June	67.1	72.4	71.1	70.2
July	77.6	80.4	80.5	79.5
August	73.9	74.4	77.1	75.1
September	63.5	64.3	67.1	65.0
October	55.3	53.3	53.5	54.0
November	45.0	44.0	47.4	45.5
December	35.9	30.7	31.5	32.7
Average	54.6	54.2	55.1	54.6

Source: Nevada Climate Summaries, *National Weather Service Forecast Office

Housing

Housing Availability

According to the 2000 Census, there are 2,178 housing units in Lincoln County. 1,540 are occupied, 638 are vacant, and 305 are available for seasonal, recreational, or occasional use.

Housing Costs

	Median Value	Median Mortgage	Median Rent
Lincoln County	\$80,300	\$690	\$328

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2000 Census

Traffic

	Average Commute Time	# of Vehicles per Household*	% of Work Done at Home
Lincoln County	20.2 minutes	1.75	3.4

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2000 Census, *ehome.com

Medical/Health Resources

Grover C Dils Medical Center

The mission of the Lincoln County Hospital District dba. Grover C. Dils Medical Center is to provide quality health services in a compassionate atmosphere that supports the dignity and well-being of those residing in and visiting Lincoln County. This non-profit organization and its valued employees provide services appropriate and essential to a rural community and coordinates access to the needed health services which are based in Lincoln County.

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Medical/Health Resources (con't)

Nevada Physician Directory

With the help of the Physician Directory, you can make an informed choice of your doctor in the comfort of your own home, without searching through endless information. This site will help you locate, get acquainted with, and choose a new medical service provider in your area. The Physician Directory listings include all types of physicians for all of your medical needs. some listed areas follows, Naturopaths, Osteopath, Oncology, Dermatology, Pathology, Pediatrics, Endocrinology, Psychiatry, Radiology, Oncology, Cancer Specialists, Gynecology, Urology, and more.

Emergency Services

Lincoln County has a variety of emergency services including Police, Fire, and Sheriff Departments.

Education

In Lincoln County, the average teacher/student ratio is 15:01, the 2006-07 dropout rate is 0.0%, the average class size is 15, the 2006-07 graduation rate was 95.1%.

Source: Nevada Annual Reports of Accountability

Mathematics Criterion Reference Test (CRT) Results 2006-07

GRADE 3

Area	Number Enrolled	Not Tested (%)	Emergent/Developing ₁ (%)	Approaches Standard ₂ (%)	Meets Standard ₃ (%)	Exceeds Standard ₄ (%)
Lincoln County*	69	1.4	2.9	29.4	35.3	32.4
Nevada*	33,430	0.3	8.8	35.5	33.7	22.1
National** 4th Grade			<i>Below Basic</i> N/A	<i>At or Above Basic</i> N/A	<i>At or Above Proficient</i> N/A	<i>At Advanced</i> N/A

GRADE 5

Area	Number Enrolled	Not Tested (%)	Emergent/Developing ₁ (%)	Approaches Standard ₂ (%)	Meets Standard ₃ (%)	Exceeds Standard ₄ (%)
Lincoln County*	54	1.9	3.8	41.5	47.2	7.5
Nevada*	33,086	0.3	6.7	34.8	46.9	11.6
National** 4th Grade			<i>Below Basic</i> N/A	<i>At or Above Basic</i> N/A	<i>At or Above Proficient</i> N/A	<i>At Advanced</i> N/A

GRADE 8

Area	Number Enrolled	Not Tested (%)	Emergent/Developing ₁ (%)	Approaches Standard ₂ (%)	Meets Standard ₃ (%)	Exceeds Standard ₄ (%)
Lincoln County*	69	0.0	15.9	39.1	42.0	2.9
Nevada*	33,483	1.3	19.0	28.2	43.1	9.7
National**			<i>Below Basic</i> N/A	<i>At or Above Basic</i> N/A	<i>At or Above Proficient</i> N/A	<i>At Advanced</i> N/A

Reading Criterion Reference Test (CRT) Results 2006-07

GRADE 3

Area	Number Enrolled	Not Tested (%)	Emergent/Developing ₁ (%)	Approaches Standard ₂ (%)	Meets Standard ₃ (%)	Exceeds Standard ₄ (%)
Lincoln County*	69	1.4	0.0	25.0	51.5	23.5
Nevada*	33,430	0.3	7.0	33.7	43.1	16.2
National** 4th Grade			<i>Below Basic</i> N/A	<i>At or Above Basic</i> N/A	<i>At or Above Proficient</i> N/A	<i>At Advanced</i> N/A

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Education (con't)

Reading Criterion Reference Test (CRT) Results 2006-07 (con't)

GRADE 5

Area	Number Enrolled	Not Tested (%)	Emergent/Developing ₁ (%)	Approaches Standard ₂ (%)	Meets Standard ₃ (%)	Exceeds Standard ₄ (%)
Lincoln County*	54	1.9	5.7	22.6	66.0	5.7
Nevada*	33,086	0.3	9.5	39.0	44.7	6.8
National** 4th Grade			<i>Below Basic</i> N/A	<i>At or Above Basic</i> N/A	<i>At or Above Proficient</i> N/A	<i>At Advanced</i> N/A

GRADE 8

Area	Number Enrolled	Not Tested (%)	Emergent/Developing ₁ (%)	Approaches Standard ₂ (%)	Meets Standard ₃ (%)	Exceeds Standard ₄ (%)
Lincoln County*	69	0.0	2.9	40.6	49.3	7.2
Nevada*	33,483	1.4	7.3	35.9	44.3	12.5
National**			<i>Below Basic</i> N/A	<i>At or Above Basic</i> N/A	<i>At or Above Proficient</i> N/A	<i>At Advanced</i> N/A

Science Criterion Reference Test (CRT) Results 2006-07

GRADE 5

Area	Number Enrolled	Not Tested (%)	Emergent/Developing ₁ (%)	Approaches Standard ₂ (%)	Meets Standard ₃ (%)	Exceeds Standard ₄ (%)
Lincoln County*	54	1.9	3.8	30.2	45.3	20.8
Nevada*	33,086	0.5	10.8	39.2	33.4	16.6
National** 4th Grade			<i>Below Basic</i> N/A	<i>At or Above Basic</i> N/A	<i>At or Above Proficient</i> N/A	<i>At Advanced</i> N/A

GRADE 8

Area	Number Enrolled	Not Tested (%)	Emergent/Developing ₁ (%)	Approaches Standard ₂ (%)	Meets Standard ₃ (%)	Exceeds Standard ₄ (%)
Lincoln County*	69	0.0	7.2	29.0	62.3	1.4
Nevada*	33,483	2.0	11.8	31.8	50.7	5.6
National**			<i>Below Basic</i> N/A	<i>At or Above Basic</i> N/A	<i>At or Above Proficient</i> N/A	<i>At Advanced</i> N/A

Source: *Nevada Annual Reports of Accountability, **National Center for Education Statistics Achievement (Standard)

1. Emergent/Developing - Student occasionally/does not apply skills/strategies and requires extensive remediation.
 2. Approaches Standard - Student inconsistently/incompletely applies skills/strategies and requires targeted remediation.
 3. Meets Standard - Student consistently applies skills/strategies without need for remediation.
 4. Exceeds Standard - Student comprehensively/consistently applies and generalizes skills/strategies in a variety of situations.
- Charter school data are not included in district totals.

University of Nevada, Las Vegas (UNLV)

UNLV recently moved up into the ranking defined by the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching as "Doctoral/Research Universities - Intensive". UNLV offers 170 undergraduate, masters, and doctoral degree programs. The colleges include: School of Medicine and School of Dentistry, as well as the finest physics, business, engineering, computer science, environmental studies, and performing arts programs in the nation. UNLV's School of Medicine is Nevada's only postgraduate institution dedicated to training new physicians and UNLV's William S. Boyd School of Law has been granted provisional accreditation from the American Bar Association.

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Education (con't)

University of Phoenix, Nevada Campus

The University of Phoenix is a private, for-profit higher education institution whose mission is to provide high quality education to working adult students. The University of Phoenix, Nevada Campus offers degree and certificate programs in Administration, Business, Counseling, Education, Human Services, Management, Nursing/Healthcare, and Technology. Courses are scheduled to meet the needs of working students.

Community College of Southern Nevada (CCSN)

CCSN serves over 35,000 students with programs on occupational training, university transfer preparation, continuing education, developmental education, and counseling and guidance. The Community College of Southern Nevada is a fully accredited member of the Northwest Association of Schools and Colleges. This status assures that the College's organization, structure, staffing, and funding are equal to its objectives, that its governing board is functioning properly, and that all academic and financial plans are well designed to provide its students with a high level of excellence.

Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University

Founded just 22 years after the Wright brothers' first flight, Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University, teaches the science, practice, and business of the world of aviation and aerospace. The University and its graduates have built an enviable record of achievement in every aspect of aviation and aerospace. The curriculum at Embry-Riddle covers the operation, engineering, research, manufacturing, marketing, and management of modern aircraft and the systems that support them. The University engages in extensive research, consulting, and related activities that address the unique needs of aviation, aerospace, and related industries.

Cultural Organizations and Recreation

Beaver Dam State Park

Beaver Dam State Park is Eastern Nevada's most remote park, and is a popular area for hikers and nature enthusiasts who enjoy its primitive and rustic character. Deep canyons, pinion and juniper forests, a flowing stream and a small reservoir are the primary features, offering fishing, camping, picnicking, hiking, photography and nature study. Facilities include campgrounds, a group use area, a day-use picnic area, hiking and interpretive trails, and hiking access to the reservoir (boats are not recommended). Beaver Dam is open year-round, weather permitting, but travel is not advised during winter months.

Kershaw-Ryan State Park

Kershaw-Ryan State Park is located two miles south of Caliente via U.S. 93 and State Route 317. It is situated in a colorful, scenic canyon at the northern limit of Rainbow Canyon. Steep canyon walls tower over a long, narrow valley. Early settlers here cultivated a garden of grape vines, trees, and grassy lawn surrounding a spring-fed pond, providing a sharp contrast to the rugged landscape. A picnic area, restrooms and trails offer visitors nature study, photography, picnicking, and hiking.

Cathedral Gorge State Park

Cathedral Gorge is located in a long, narrow valley where erosion has carved dramatic and unique patterns in the soft bentonite clay. Trails abound for exploring the cave-like formations and cathedral-like spires. Miller Point, a scenic overlook just north of the park entrance on U.S. 93, offers excellent views of the scenic canyon. Shaded picnic areas and a tree-shaded campground area are open all year. Hiking, picnicking, camping, nature study, photography and ranger programs are the most common activities at the park.

Echo Canyon State Park

Echo Canyon State Park offers a 65-acre reservoir with a campground, picnic area, group use facilities and boat launch. The park is popular for camping, fishing, hiking and enjoying the beautiful scenery of eastern Nevada. Abundant wildlife, a wide variety of native plants and unique rock formations make exploration a favorite activity. Echo Canyon is located 12 miles east of Pioche via State Routes 322 and 323. The park's elevation is 5,200' and although it is open year-round, visitors should be aware of occasional snow during winter months. Echo Canyon State Park is one of five state parks located in Lincoln County, and is a popular area for camping, fishing, hiking and enjoying the beautiful scenery of eastern Nevada.

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Spring Valley State Park

Spring Valley State Park offers water oriented recreation at the 65 acre Eagle Valley Reservoir. Boat launching, picnicking and camping facilities are available. Visitors also enjoy hiking, exploring and touring the historic Ranch House museum. The park is located 20 miles east of Pioche via State Route 322. Spring Valley State Park is open all year, although snow may make winter access difficult.

The Ash Springs Rock Art Site

The Ash Springs Rock Art Site is typical of much Great Basin rock art. Petroglyphs, or rock art which is engraved, is the dominant form found at the site. They are etched onto rockfaces by pecking, abrading, scratching or a combination of these techniques. All petroglyphs at Ash Springs are pecked and display a wide range of line widths. These glyphs adorn rock surfaces that have been subject to a noticeable amount of weathering and natural spalling, as well as some marked human defacement. Pictographs, or painted rock art, and cupules, or pit-and-groove rock art, are both absent from this site but can be observed at other sites in the area.

The Crystal Wash Rock Art Site

The Crystal Wash Rock Art Site, which is typical of much Great Basin rock art, is actually a small network of interrelated sites. Petroglyphs, or rock art which is engraved, is the dominant rock art form at Crystal Wash. They are etched onto rockfaces by pecking, abrading, scratching, or a combination of these techniques. Pictographs, or painted rock art, is only represented in small quantities at Crystal Wash. A third type of rock art known as cupules or pit-and-groove rock art can also be observed (Marker #6). Cupules are cuplike depressions or pits in boulders and are thought to be the oldest form of rock art, first appearing in parts of the Great Basin 7000 years ago. There is one example of this rock art at Crystal Wash.

Mount Irish Rock Art and Archeological District

In 1865 prospectors were driven out of the area by Southern Paiute Indians. The prospectors returned the following year and developed the Silver deposits in the region, opening a post office in Logan City in 1867. Both historic and prehistoric artifacts have been found in the Mt Irish area.

White Rivers Archeological District

White River Narrows Archeological District was placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1976. The area is outstanding not only for rock art but also for the impressive rhyolite cliffs. The District is located entirely on lands administered by the Ely District Bureau of Land Management.

Annual Events

Name	Date
X-Rides	May
National Trail Day	June
Fourth of July	July
Pioche Labor Day	September
New Year's Eve Celebrations	December

Libraries

There are 3 libraries within Lincoln County.

Financial Institutions

- Nevada Bank & Trust

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Churches/Religious Organizations

Denomination	Total Number of Churches
Assemblies of God	2
Baptist	3
Berean	1
Bible	1
Catholic	3
Christian	3
Church of Jesus Christ	16
Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints	16
Community	1
Episcopal	1
Foursquare Gospel	1
Gnostic Catholic	1
Gospel	1
Methodist	1
Non-Denomination	1

Source: AreaGuide.net