

Welcome to Phoenix. Arizona

County: Maricopa Population: 1,615,000 Founded: 1881 Square Miles: 517

Distance from

Sky Harbor Airport: 8 Miles Approx. Drive Time: 15 Minutes

City Sales Tax: 2.4%
State Sales Tax: 5.6%
Average Sales Price: \$231,500



Phoenix, Down Town

As the sixth largest city in the United States by population, Phoenix is the center for financial, commercial, cultural, entertainment and government activities in the State of Arizona. Phoenix is Arizona's capital and the county seat of Maricopa County with more than 515 square miles. It offers more than 300 sun filled days a year, and an average temperature of 74.2 degrees Fahrenheit. Phoenix's explosive growth began during World War II when military airfields were built in Maricopa County and many defense industries followed. The name Phoenix, legendary Egyptian symbol of rebirth, was chosen because the city was built on the ruins of the Hohokam Indian civilization.

Professional sports flourish here: Diamondbacks (MLB), Cardinals (NFL), Suns (NBA), Coyotes (NHL), and Mercury (WNBA). Spring Cactus Major League Baseball teams in Phoenix include the Chicago White Sox, LA Dodgers, Milwaukee Brewers, and Oakland Athletics. Downtown Phoenix is home to state-of-the-art Phoenix Convention Center, Phoenix Symphony Hall, U.S. Airways Center, Chase Field, Herberger and Orpheum theaters, Arizona Science Center, and the Phoenix Art Museum. There are more than 47 art galleries gathered in the Downtown Phoenix Art's District, 17 libraries, and 15 museums.

Phoenix, AZ History

The history of Phoenix, Arizona, goes back millennia, beginning with nomadic paleo-Indians who existed in the Americas in general, and the Salt River Valley in particular, about 9,000 years ago until about 6,000 BC. Mammoths were the primary prey of hunters. The history of the city of Phoenix begins with Jack Swilling, a Confederate veteran of the Civil War. ... Lord Darrell Duppa, one of the original settlers in Swilling's party, suggested the name "Phoenix", as it described a city born from the ruins of a former civilization.

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