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Mayer located 17.8 miles southeast of Prescott was founded Joseph Mayer, who established a store and saloon in addition to a Wells Fargo Stage station along the stage line between Phoenix and Prescott. Mayer rapidly became a trading center for the surrounding agricultural and mining areas. The area also includes Cordes Lakes, Spring Valley, Poland Junction, Orme School and Crown King and Arcosanti. The community is unincorporated.

Basic Information

Founded: 1881
 Distance to Major Cities:
 Incorporated: No
 Phoenix: 70 miles
 Elevation: 4,400
 Tucson: 190 miles
 Located in Yavapai County
 Nearby Highways: HWYS I-17

Population

	1990	2000	2007
Mayer	N/A	1,408	N/A
Yavapai County	107,714	167,517	223,934
Arizona	3,665,228	5,130,632	6,500,194

Sources: Arizona Department of Economic Security and US Census Bureau
 Population estimates for 1990 and 2007 are not available.

Principal Economic Activities

Major sources of employment include state & county government; cattle ranching; and small farms along the Agua Fria River. There are a few small mines operating nearby. A number of people moving into the area are opening owner-operated businesses.

County Employment

	2007
Trade, Transportation, and Utilities	12,700
Government	12,100
Educational and Health Services	10,000
Mining and Construction	8,800
Leisure and Hospitality	8,200
Professional and Business Services	4,600
Manufacturing	3,500
Financial Activities	2,500
Other Services	2,000
Information	600

Source: Arizona Department of Economic Security
 Figures are organized under the North American Industrial Classification System (NAICS).



Labor Force Data

	1990	2000	2007
Civilian Labor Force	0	579	746
Unemployed	0	43	53
Unemployment Rate	0.0%	7.4%	7.1%

Source: Arizona Department of Economic Security
 Labor Force data for 1990 is unavailable

Growth Indicators

	1990	2000	2007
Net Assessed Value (\$)	11.1 million	16.5 million	33.5 million

Sources: Arizona State Univ., AZ Dept. of Revenue, AZ Tax Research Foundation

Scenic Attractions

Located nearby is Prescott National Forest with such attractions as abandoned frontier towns along Turkey Creek. Horse Thief Basin is a summer vacation resort area in a cool mountain setting. Other attractions include former gold camps and ghost towns, such as Jerome. The area offers a number of cabins and dude ranches. The Turquoise Triangle and other routes provide scenic drives. Other activities include winter sports, fishing at Lynx Lake, and hunting for antelope, deer, turkey, and javalina. Two popular activities are rockhunting and gold panning in streambeds and washes. Mayer Daze Celebration is held the first Saturday in June and includes a parade and barbecue. Located 10 miles east, Arcosanti is an experiment in constructing a functioning example of an alternative urban landscape.

Community Facilities

Mayer offers a wide range of community facilities including a library, a recreation center, a park, a Senior Center, Catholic Social Services, and many athletic facilities such as football and baseball fields, a basketball/tennis court and two gyms.

Educational Institutions	Public	Private
Elementary	Y	N
High School	Y	N

Financial

Number of banks: 1

Government

Fire Department: Staffed City/Local Fire Department

Law Enforcement: Sheriff's Office

Medical

Clinics in Spring Valley & Dewey. Full medical facilities available in Prescott & Prescott Valley.

Hotel & Lodging

Number of Rooms: 22

Meeting Rooms: 4

Capacity of Largest Facility: 150

Industrial Properties:

For more information contact the Mayer Chamber of Commerce.

Utilities

Electricity	APS (Statewide)	800.253-9405
Natural Gas	Southern Union Gas Co.	928.445.2210
Sewer	Individual septic tanks	
Telephone	Qwest (statewide)	800.244.1111
Water	Mayer Water Co.	928.632.4113

Cable Providers: N

Digital Switching Station: N

Internet Service Provider: Y

Cable Internet Service Provider: N

Fiber Optics: Y

Taxes

Property Tax Rate	1990	2000	2007
Elementary/High Schools	7.11	4.20	3.68
City/Fire District	2.07	2.67	3.25
Countywide	5.14	4.18	3.41
Totals	14.32	11.05	10.34

Source: Arizona Tax Research Foundation

Note: Tax rate per \$100 assessed valuation

Sales Tax

	2007
City/Town	0.00%
County	0.75%
State	5.60%

Sources: Arizona League of Cities & Towns, Arizona Dept. of Revenue

Weather

	Avg. Low (°F)	Avg. High (°F)	Precip. (in.)
January	32.6	57.5	1.5
February	34.4	60.5	1.6
March	36.9	64.8	1.4
April	41.9	72.8	0.6
May	49.0	81.9	0.4
June	57.5	92.0	0.3
July	65.5	95.7	1.8
August	64.6	93.1	2.4
September	59.0	88.3	1.6
October	49.2	78.2	1.1
November	39.0	66.0	1.1
December	33.1	58.4	1.4
Yearly Avg.	46.9	75.7	15.1

Source: Western Regional Climate Center

Western Regional Climate Center, wrcc@dri.edu. Period of record 1948-2005. Average Total Snowfall 2.1". Nearest data available from Cordes, AZ.

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