

# Area Statistics and Information

## A Two-Minute Guide To Pagosa Country



### Location

Situated at the junction of two major highways, Pagosa Springs is within easy driving distance of several major cities, yet still isolated from the hustle and bustle of urban life. Take a five-minute drive from Pagosa in any direction to find the natural beauty and wilderness that makes this area so unique.

### Distance to Major Cities

|                        |           |
|------------------------|-----------|
| Durango.....           | 61 miles  |
| Cortez.....            | 110 miles |
| Denver.....            | 270 miles |
| Farmington, NM.....    | 95 miles  |
| Santa Fe, NM.....      | 163 miles |
| Albuquerque, NM.....   | 212 miles |
| Phoenix, AZ.....       | 501 mile  |
| Oklahoma City, OK..... | 654 miles |
| Dallas, TX.....        | 658 miles |

### Elevation

7,079 Feet at the County Courthouse, Downtown.

### Population

| Year | Town  | County |
|------|-------|--------|
| 1990 | 1,207 | 4,138  |
| 1997 | 1,300 | 7,785  |
| 1998 | 1,765 | 8,450  |
| 1999 | 1,900 | 9,600  |
| 2000 | 1,900 | 10,100 |
| 2001 | 1,591 | 10,659 |
| 2002 | 1,624 | 10,942 |
| 2003 | 1,528 | 11,615 |

### Major Industry: Tourism

2001 Retail Sales Tax Revenue: \$5,128,587

### UTILITIES

**Electricity:** La Plata Electric  
P. O. Box 305 Pagosa Springs, CO 81147  
(970) 264-4171

**Natural Gas:** SourceGas  
P. O. Box 505 457 Lewis Street  
Pagosa Springs, CO 81147 (970) 264-2192

**Telephone:** Century Telephone Company  
P. O. Box 359

Pagosa Springs, CO 81147 (800) 225-2594

**Water:** Pagosa Area Water and Sanitation  
P. O. Drawer 4610

Pagosa Springs, CO 81157 (970) 731-2691

**Sanitation:** For Pagosa Lakes Area:  
Pagosa Area Water and Sanitation District  
P. O. Drawer 4610

Pagosa Springs, CO 81157 (970) 731-2691

**Sanitation:** For Town of Pagosa Springs:  
Town Hall

P. O. Box 1859 Pagosa Springs, CO 81147  
(970) 264-4151

### Trash Services:

Waste Management  
1041 CR 500 P. O. Box 187  
Pagosa Springs, CO 81147 (970) 264-5622  
At Your Disposal  
P.O. Box 5907 (970) 264-4891

**Air Transportation:** Stevens Field, Archuleta County Airport has the capacity for commuter aircraft, private planes and light cargo planes. Durango-La Plata County Airport (56 miles west) is a commercial airport serviced by several airlines.

### Climate Data (2000)

| Average:                       | High                | Low    |
|--------------------------------|---------------------|--------|
| January                        | 43.5°F              | 11.8°F |
| July                           | 79.0°F              | 51.3°F |
| Annual Rainfall:               | 20.21"              |        |
| Annual Snowfall:               | 101.20"             |        |
| Annual Snowfall at Wolf Creek: | 465"                |        |
| Growing Season:                | Averages 90-95 days |        |

### Taxes

Personal Income Tax: 5%  
Sales & Use Tax: 3% State; 4% County  
County tax revenue is divided between Archuleta County and Pagosa Springs.  
Corporate Income Tax: 5.0%

### Schools

Public School Enrollment: (Average) 1600-1800  
Private Education is also available in Pagosa Springs from various sources.

### Medical

Pagosa Springs has two family medical clinics that are staffed by MDs and Nurse Practitioners. Pagosa Family Medicine, and Riverside Health Practices.

Serious emergencies are transported by ambulance or helicopter, generally to Mercy Medical Center in Durango or San Juan Regional Hospital in Farmington, New Mexico. A well-trained staff of professional EMTs provides 24 hour, 7 day a week, on-call service. Pagosa Springs also has 4 dentists, 2 optometrists, 8 chiropractors, 2 physical therapy clinics and natural healing practitioners.

On May 9, 2006, voters approved a hospital initiative by an overwhelming margin. In the near future, Pagosa will have a Critical Access Hospital, which will in many cases eliminate the need to drive to Durango for emergency care. Organizers of the

## Come Home to the San Juans



### Stephanie Hill

Associate Broker, CRS, GRI

Hi! I was born and raised in Colorado and love Pagosa Springs. The climate, the 300-plus days of sunshine and family-oriented, community atmosphere make it a wonderful place to call home. My husband Tim and I feel so good about raising our family here. We have 4 kids ranging in age from 9 to 26.

I take my full-time real estate career very seriously. I have been listing and selling real estate in Pagosa for 13 years now, and I was voted Realtor of the Year in 1999, which was a real honor for me.

I am knowledgeable and experienced in all aspects of real estate, and I pride myself on superior service, follow-through and honesty. It is extremely important to me that my clients continuously use me for their real estate needs and that they feel comfortable referring their family and friends to me.

I feel like I understand the resort buyer and I know that a purchase in a resort community can sometimes be a lengthy process. I work with people while the gather the information necessary to feel comfortable making a purchase. It is a big decision.

I am a Certified Residential Specialist (CRS), plus I have my Graduate Real Estate Institute (GRI) designation. Both of these designations require a tremendous amount of experience and continuing education. I am also a member of the Colorado and National Associations of Realtors, as well as the National Relocation/Referral System.

My husband Tim is a contractor, and between his knowledge of building and my knowledge of real estate, we are a great resource to many of my customers.

I spent my youth in Denver. I attended Fort Lewis College in Durango, and later transferred to Mesa College in Grand Junction, where I obtained my BA degree in Recreation Administration. I moved to Pagosa Springs in 1993 from Breckenridge, and have never once regretted my decision to relocate here.

Southwestern Colorado provides a wonderful playground for all the activities I love, plus so much more. I enjoy taking our horses out for rides, camping and hiking. One of my favorite things to do is to spend an evening in front of a crackling campfire with my family.

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