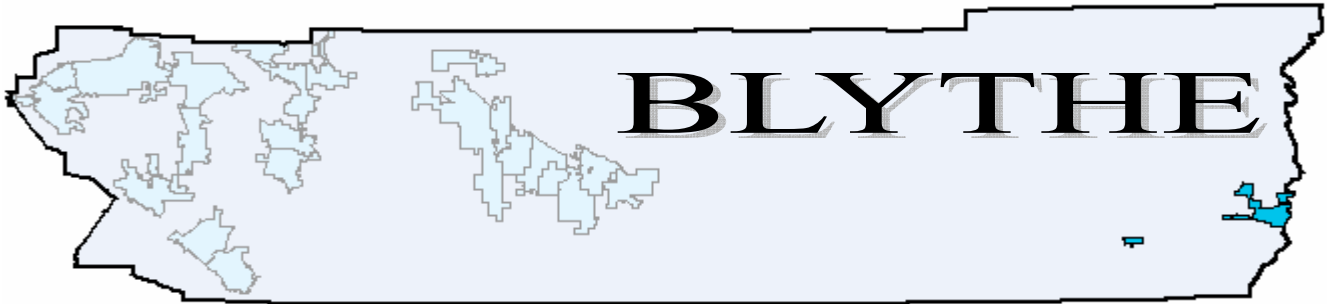


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City of Blythe



27.1 sq. miles (County of Riverside GIS)

Incorporated: 1916

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Mayor: Robert Crain

Mayor Pro Tem: Charles Grotke

Council Members: Joey DeConink, Alfonso Hernandez & Beverly Mays

City Manager:	(760) 922-6161	Police Department:	(760) 922-6111
City Council:	922-6161	Fire Department:	922-6117
Community Dev.:	922-6130	Parks & Recreation:	922-0844

POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS

Population		2000 Racial & Ethnic Population (*1)		2000 Population by Age (*1)			
1970:	7,047 (*1)						
1980:	6,805 (*1)						
1990:	8,428 (*1)						
2000:	20,463 (*1)						
		White	6,785	33.2%	0-4	1,186	5.8%
		Black or African American	3,102	15.2%	5-9	1,138	5.6%
		Asian & Pacific Islander	342	1.7%	10-14	1,123	5.5%
		All Other Races	584	2.9%	15-19	1,148	5.6%
1995:	15,800 (*2)	Hispanic	9,650	47.2%	20-24	2,241	11.0%
1996:	17,550 (*2)				25-34	4,820	23.6%
1997:	19,950 (*2)				35-44	4,310	21.1%
1998:	19,950 (*2)	Total Population:	20,463	100.0%	45-54	2,174	10.6%
1999:	19,800 (*2)				55-64	1,064	5.2%
2000:	20,463 (*1)				65-74	735	3.6%
2001:	20,836 (*2)				75-84	396	1.9%
2002:	21,300 (*2)				85+	128	0.6%
2003:	21,377 (*2)				Total:	20,463	100.0%
2004:	22,197 (*2)						
2005:	22,089 (*2)				Median Age:		30.7
2006:	22,179 (*2)				Percent of County:		1.3%

Voter Registration, 2006 (*4)

Democrat	2,239	Natural Law	3
Republican	1,873	Peace & Freedom	8
Independent	98	Decline to State	580
Green	3	Misc.	17
Libertarian	10	Total	4,831

Sources: (*1) April Decennial Census of Population, U.S. Census Bureau

(*3) Riverside County Dept. of Public Health

(*2) January Revised Estimate, State Dept. of Finance

(*4) RC Registrar of Voters, April 2006

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HOUSING & HOUSEHOLD CHARACTERISTICS

2000 Housing Units by Type

	Units	%	
Single Detached:	2,683	55.3%	(*2)
Single Attached:	150	3.1%	(*2)
2 to 4:	417	8.6%	(*2)
5 and Above:	794	16.4%	(*2)
Mobile Homes:	745	15.4%	(*2)
Other:	62	1.3%	(*2)
Total Units:	4,851	100.0%	(*2)

Occupancy:	4,103	84.6%	(*1)
Vacancy:	788	16.2%	(*1)
Persons Per Occupied Unit:		2.91	(*1)
Percent of County:		0.8%	(*1)

2000 Households

Tenure & Value

Owner Occupied:	2,336	(*1)
Renter Occupied:	1,767	(*1)
Total Occupied:	4,103	(*1)
Median Home Value:	\$90,800	(*2)
Median Rent:	\$501	(*2)

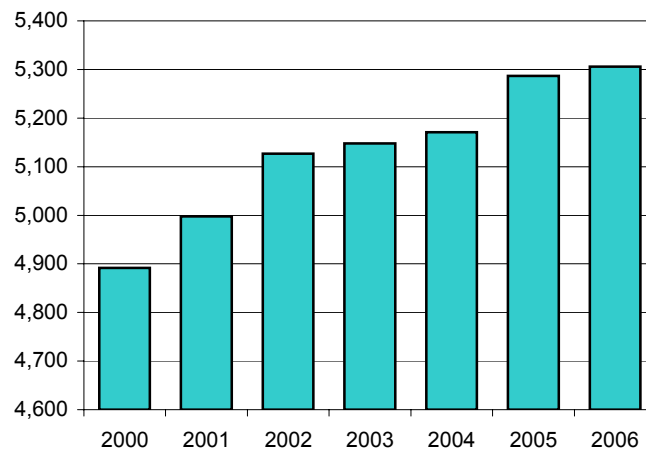
March '06 Median Sale Price: \$164,000 (*5)

Housing Permit Activity (*4)

Year	No.
2000	35
2001	18
2002	123
2003	25
2004	107
2005	69

Housing Units

Year	Units
1970	2,138 (*1)
1980	2,377 (*1)
1990	2,904 (*1)
2000	4,891 (*1)
2000	4,892 (*3)
2001	4,998 (*3)
2002	5,127 (*3)
2003	5,148 (*3)
2004	5,171 (*3)
2005	5,287 (*3)
2006	5,306 (*3)



Sources: (*1) April Decennial Census of Population,
U.S. Census Bureau

(*2) 2000 Census Summary File 3, U.S. Census Bureau

(*3) January Revised Estimate, State Dept. of Finance

(*4) US Department of Housing & Urban Development,
State of the Cities Data Systems

(*5) DataQuick Real Estate News

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ECONOMIC AND LABOR FORCE CHARACTERISTICS

Major Private Employers (*1)

Year	Gross Assessed Value
2004	\$498,284,629
2005	\$523,042,979
Percent Growth	5.0%
Percent of County	0.3%

Labor Force - April 2006 (*2)

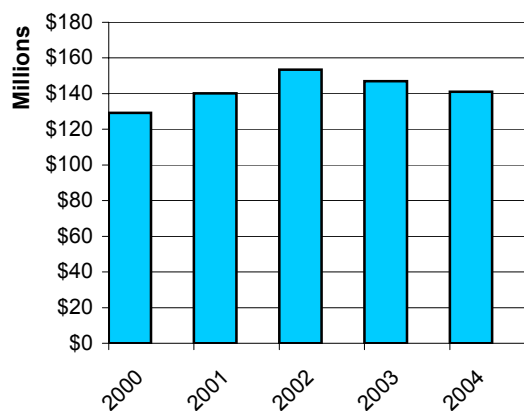
Labor Force	6,400
Employed	6,100
Unemployed	300
Unemployment Rate	5.1%

Total Employment

Total Employment, 2000 (*3)	4,220
Total Employment, 2005 (*4)	5,700
Percent of County, 2005	0.9%

Taxable Sales (*5)

(1,000s of dollars)



Employment By Industry, 2005 (*4)

Agriculture, Nat. Resources & Mining	376
Construction	193
Manufacturing	8
Wholesale Trade	88
Retail Trade	715
Trans., Warehousing, & Utilities	202
Information	51
Financial Activities	105
Professional & Business Services	100
Educational & Health Services	559
Leisure & Hospitality	625
Other Services	210
Government	2,283
Total Wage & Salary	5,515
Self Employed	193
Total Employment	5,700

Year	Total	Percent of County
2000	\$129,240	0.8%
2001	\$140,223	0.8%
2002	\$153,498	0.8%
2003	\$147,010	0.7%
2004	\$141,122	0.6%

Sources: (*1) Assessor - County Clerk - Recorder 2005-2006 Annual Report
 (*2) California Employment Development Dept.; rate based on unrounded data (preliminary April 2006)
 (*3) County of Riverside, Transportation & Land Management Agency, GIS-Demographic Section
 (*4) Estimated by Riverside County Center of Demographic Research
 (*5) State Board of Equalization