



## Lincoln County Profile

**Population and Demographics:**

2018 population:<sup>a</sup> 19,482

**Age:<sup>a</sup>**

Persons under 18 years: 18.5%  
Persons 18-64 years: 53.7%  
Persons 65 years and over: 27.7%

**Gender<sup>a</sup>**

Female: 52.6%  
Male: 47.4%

**Marital Status:<sup>c</sup>**

Married: 55.0%  
Separated: 1.9%  
Divorced: 14.3%  
Widowed: 8.6%

**Unemployed<sup>b</sup>**

Unemployed: 1.9%  
Not in labor force: 55.8%

**Race<sup>a</sup>**

White: 95.8%  
Black: 1.6%  
American Indian/Alaska Native: 2.7%  
Asian: 1.2%  
Other: N/A

**Hispanic/Latino:<sup>a</sup> 32.7%**

**Other Information<sup>a</sup>**

Language other than English spoken at home: 22.5%  
High school graduate or higher: 91.5%  
Bachelor's degree or higher: 29.3%  
Number of households: 7,815  
Persons per household: 2.47  
Per capita money income in the past 12 months: \$26,534  
Median household income: \$42,267  
Persons below poverty level: 16.2%  
Renter-occupied housing: 23.0%  
Uninsured adults: 10.2%

**Crime Statistics<sup>b</sup>**

**Homicide Rate (per 100,000):**

County: No Data Available State: 7

**Violent Crime Rate (per 100,000):**

County: 279 State: 590

**Domestic Violence Incidents, Arrests, & Convictions<sup>d</sup>**

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
<b>Incidents</b>	136	165	207	229	244
<b>Arrests</b>	45*	40*	68*	76*	85*
<b>Convictions</b>	47	49	21	39	49

\*Lincoln County Sheriff's Office Not Reporting

**Sources:**

- <sup>a</sup> U.S. Census Bureau QuickFacts <https://www.census.gov/quickfacts>
- <sup>b</sup> 2018 County Health Rankings New Mexico Data: <http://www.countyhealthrankings.org/rankings/data/nm>
- <sup>c</sup> US Census 2018 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates: <http://factfinder.census.gov/>
- <sup>d</sup> Incidence and Nature of Domestic Violence In New Mexico XVIII: 2018 data, Betty Caponera, July 2019
- <sup>e</sup> New Mexico AA Area 46 <https://nm-aa.org/meetings/?tsml-day=any>
- <sup>f</sup> Rio Grande Region of NA <http://riograndena.org/>

**Law Enforcement Agencies:**

Lincoln County Sheriff's Office  
New Mexico State Police; Ruidoso District 8 Office  
Police Departments (Capitan, Carrizozo, Ruidoso & Ruidoso Downs)

**Courts:**

12th Judicial District Court (Carrizozo)  
Lincoln County Magistrate Courts (Carrizozo, Ruidoso)  
Municipal Courts (Carrizozo, Ruidoso, Capitan, Ruidoso Downs)

**Medical and Victims' Service Providers**

**Hospitals:**

Lincoln County Medical Center (Ruidoso): 25 beds, 24 hour ER

**Ratio population to mental health provider:<sup>b</sup> 189:1**

**Nearest Domestic Violence Service Provider:<sup>d</sup>**

HEAL & The Nest Domestic Violence Shelter, Ruidoso

**Nearest Batterer Intervention Program:<sup>d</sup>** Center of Protective Environment

**Rape Crisis Services Provider:<sup>e</sup>**SANE of Otero & Lincoln Counties

**Nearest SANE Unit:<sup>e</sup>** Alamogordo

**Nearest Legal Aide Office:<sup>f</sup>** Carrizozo

**Youth Services:**

Lincoln County CYFD, Lincoln County Unite for Youth, High Mountain Youth Project of Lincoln County

**Substance Abuse Support Groups:<sup>e, f</sup>**

Number of AA meetings per week: 20  
Number of NA meetings per week: 5

**Outpatient Substance Abuse Services:**

Substance Abuse Services (Ruidoso); Counseling Center Inc (Ruidoso)

**Inpatient Substance Abuse Services:**

Counseling Center Inc (Ruidoso)

**School Based Health Centers:**

Ruidoso High School Health Center, Hondo Valley Public Schools Health Center,

**Homeless Services/Shelters:**

HEAL & The Nest Domestic Violence Shelter, High Mountain Youth Project (Homeless Students Task Force )

**Senior Services:**

Capitan Senior Citizens Center, Carrizozo Senior Center, Ruidoso Downs Senior Center