

## COUNTY OF SANTA CRUZ, CALIFORNIA

### General Information

#### For the Last Ten Fiscal Years

Santa Cruz County is the second smallest county in the State of California, with an area of 440 square miles . It is also one of the original 27 counties formed in 1850, and prior to California's independence it was one of the Spanish Pueblos in California.

Santa Cruz County is located in the northern crescent of Monterey Bay, 74 miles south of San Francisco, 37 miles north of Los Angeles, 159 miles southwest of Sacramento, and 164 miles northwest of Fresno.

#### STATISTICS

Year	Population (1) (In thousands)	Budget Requirements (2) (In thousands)	Budget Per Capita	Current Property Taxes (In thousands)	Taxes Per Capita
1995-96	242	\$ 249,564	\$ 1,031	\$ 21,054	\$ 87
1996-97	246	251,857	1,024	21,602	88
1997-98	249	263,750	1,059	22,552	91
1998-99	253	282,886	1,118	23,605	93
1999-00	255	316,018	1,239	26,031	102
2000-01	260	370,462	1,425	27,965	108
2001-02	260	395,942	1,523	30,115	116
2002-03	260	374,714	1,441	31,496	121
2003-04	260	371,187	1,428	34,412	132
2004-05	260	368,492	1,417	51,892	200

Year	Assessed Valuation (In thousands)	Per Capita Income (3)	School Enrollment (4)	Unemployment Rate (5)
1995-96	\$ 14,679,728	\$ 24,769	57,302	9.1
1996-97	15,244,159	26,059	62,737	8.3
1997-98	16,079,760	27,733	63,827	7.6
1998-99	17,366,712	29,406	64,575	7.3
1999-00	18,750,835	31,302	64,583	6.3
2000-01	20,541,442	33,539	65,861	5.6
2001-02	21,849,406	37,567	66,952	6.1
2002-03	23,387,410	36,865	67,896	8.0
2003-04	25,106,093	38,323	67,596	8.1
2004-05	27,584,028	38,126	67,224	7.0

#### SOURCES

- (1) Based on information compiled by State Department of Finance
- (2) Santa Cruz County Final Budget.
- (3) Office of Economic Research of State Department of Commerce. Figures are for calendar year
- (4) California Department of Education
- (5) Employment Development Department