

Gilpin County

Illinois District (aka Illinois Central District)

The Illinois District overlaps the **Independent** and **Nevada Districts**. Marshall (1920) lists the Illinois Central District being created on June 30, 1860 and shows it on a map in the area south of the **Central City District**, east of the Nevada District and north of the **Russell District**. Henderson (1926) lists the Illinois Central District (aka Illinois District) in Gilpin County. Generally a number of smaller districts in the southern part of Gilpin County are considered as part of the larger **Central City District**, including the Illinois or Illinois Central District.

Mines listed in the district (Dunn, 2003) include:

- Illinois^{1,2}
- Illinois Gulch²
- Egyptian^{1,2}
- Pikes Peak

Notes: ¹ Indicates that a detailed description of the mine is contained in both Bastin and Hill (1917) and Simms et al., 1963.

² Indicates mindat.org lists the mine as part of the Central City District.

Minerals listed in the district (mindat.org) include:

[Arsenopyrite](#)

[Chalcopyrite](#)

[Feldspar Group'](#)

[Pyrite](#)

[Quartz](#)

[Sphalerite](#)

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