

Research Brief

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Census 2010 Detailed Population and Housing Data Released for Pennsylvania

[Link to Data]

PENN STATE HARRISBURG – Pennsylvania's population continues to age according to the 2010 Census Demographic Profile for Pennsylvania released today. The population age 62 and older increased 7.7 percent since 2000. The population age 65 and older increased 2.1 percent from 2000 to 2010 and the population under 18 declined 4.5 percent during the period. Median age rose from 38.0 years in 2000 to 40.1 years in 2010.

Pennsylvania's Population by Race and Ethnicity

Pennsylvania's racial and ethnic composition is growing more diverse. In 2010, Pennsylvania's Hispanic or Latino population totaled 719,660, an 82.6 percent increase from 2000. All of Pennsylvania's minority groups grew from 2000 to 2010. The Asian population increased by 58.8 percent, American Indian and Alaska Native by 46.3 percent and Black or African American by 12.5 percent. Pennsylvania's white population declined 0.7 percent during the decade.

Each of the specific Hispanic origin groups in Pennsylvania increased from 2000 to 2010. The largest increase was in the Mexican origin (134.8 percent), followed by Cuban (73.0 percent) and Puerto Rican (60.2 percent).

Household Type and Relationship

Households are classified by type according to the sex of the householder and the presence of relatives, such as husband-wife family; male householder, no wife present; female householder, no husband present. From 2000 to 2010 Pennsylvania saw a decrease in family households with children under 18 (5.5 percent), specifically, husband-wife families with children under 18 declined 11.9 percent. Households with a male householder, no wife present increased 23.4 percent while those with children under 18 increased 21.1 percent. Nonfamily households also increased 12.0 percent during the decade.

Both average household size and average family size in Pennsylvania decreased slightly from 2000 to 2010. Average household size declined from 2.48 in 2000 to 2.45 in 2010. Average family size declined from 3.04 in 2000 to 3.02 in 2010.

Housing Tenure

The total number of housing units in Pennsylvania increased 5.1 percent from 2000 to 5,018,904 in 2010. Owner-occupied housing units increased only 2.5 percent this decade while renter-occupied units increased 11.4 percent. The increase in owner-occupied units was much lower than during the 1990's (7.2 percent).

The data items included in the demographic profile are available for the state, counties and municipalities. This information will be available for lower geographic levels, such as census tracks and blocks, as part of the 2010 Census Summary File 1, which will be released on a state-by-state flow basis between June and August of 2011.

Demographic Profile Pennsylvania: 2000-2010					
Item	2010	2000	Percent Change		
Total Population	12,702,379	12,281,054	3.4%		
Under 18	2,792,155	2,922,221	-4.5%		
Age 20-64	7,563,682	7,091,305	6.7%		
Age 62+	2,390,028	2,219,927	7.7%		
Age 65+	1,959,307	1,919,165	2.1%		
Median Age	40.1	38.0			
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Population of one Race	12,464,544	12,138,830	2.7%		
White	10,406,288	10,484,203	-0.7%		
Black or African American	1,377,689	1,224,612	12.5%		
American Indian and Alaska Native	26,843	18,348	46.3%		
Asian	349,088	219,813	58.8%		
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	3,653	3,417	6.9%		
Some Other Race	300,983	188,437	59.7%		
Population of Two or More Races	237,835	142,224	67.2%		
Hispanic or Latino	719,660	394,088	82.6%		
Mexican	129,568	55,178	134.8%		
Puerto Rican	366,082	228,557	60.2%		
Cuban	17,930	10,363	73.0%		
Other Hispanic or Latino	206,080	99,990	106.1%		
Not Hispanic or Latino	11,982,719	11,886,966	0.8%		

Demographic Profile Pennsylvania: 2000-2010					
Item	2010	2000	Percent Change		
Total Households	5,018,904	4,777,003	5.1%		
Family Households	3,261,307	3,208,388	1.6%		
With own children under 18	1,352,324	1,430,808	-5.5%		
Husband-wife family	2,417,765	2,467,673	-2.0%		
With own children under 18	919,067	1,043,071	-11.9%		
Male householder, no wife present	229,495	186,022	23.4%		
With own children under 18 years	108,679	89,716	21.1%		
Female householder, no husband present	614,047	554,693	10.7%		
With own children under 18 years	324,578	298,021	8.9%		
Non-Family Households	1,757,597	1,568,615	12.0%		
Average Household Size	2.45	2.48			
Average Family Size	3.02	3.04			
Total Occupied Housing Units	5,018,904	4,777,003	5.1%		
Owner-Occupied Housing Units	3,491,722	3,406,337	2.5%		
Renter-Occupied Housing Units	1,527,182	1,370,666	11.4%		

[Additional data, tables, charts and maps from the 2010 Census Demographic Profile are available for the Commonwealth and its counties at the Pennsylvania State Data Center web site, which can be accessed at

http://pasdc.hbg.psu.edu/sdc/pasdc_files/pastats/Pa_County_Data_2010.xls]

[For local comment on your community's Demographic Profile, please visit http://pasdc.hbg.psu.edu/AboutUs/Partners/tabid/1033/Default.aspx to contact a PaSDC Affiliate in your area.]

The Pennsylvania State Data Center is the commonwealth's expert in demographics and Census datasets. To request custom 2010 Census data tables or maps, contact the Pennsylvania State Data Center at 717.948.6336.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000 & 2010 Census Demographic Profile Summary File

The Pennsylvania State Data Center is the commonwealth's official source for population and economic statistics. It is based at Penn State Harrisburg's Institute of State and Regional Affairs. The Pennsylvania State Data Center is part of the U.S. Census Bureau's National State Data Center Program.

Editors: For additional data, contact the Pennsylvania State Data Center's State Capital Office at 717.772.2710 or for faculty comment on this topic, contact Penn State Harrisburg's Public Information Office at 717.948.6029.

