

## Demographic Profile Erie County Public Library

**Population Growth:** The total population of the Erie County Public Library service area increased by .7 percent over the past decade to 245,988; this growth rate was lower than the statewide rate of 3.4 percent.

**Age and Sex:** In 2010, the Erie County Public Library service area had a total population of 245,988 - 121,159 males (49.3 percent) and 124,829 females (50.7 percent). The age structure of the population in 2010 was as follows: 26.2 percent of the population was under 20 years old, 59.4 percent was 20 to 64 years old and 14.4 percent was 65 years or older.

**Race and Ethnicity:** For people reporting one race alone, not of Hispanic ethnicity, 85.1 percent were White; 7.8 percent were Black or African American; 3.4 percent were Other Race Alone.<sup>1</sup> A total of 9,105 or 3.7 percent of the population were Hispanic.<sup>2</sup>

**Households:** In 2010, there were 96,799 households in the Erie County Public Library service area. The average household size was 2.41 people. Families made up 62.8 percent of the households. This figure includes both families with (26.8 percent) and without (36.1 percent) children. Of families with children less than 18 years old, 16.4 percent were married-couple families, 7.8 percent were female householder families with no husband present, and the remaining (2.6 percent) were male-headed households with no wife present.

**Education:** The educational attainment of the population 25 years and over was lower in the Erie County Public Library service area than in Pennsylvania. During the period 2008-2012, 25.2 percent of residents had earned a Bachelor's degree or higher, compared with 27.0 percent statewide. A total of 16,294 or 10.1 percent had not completed high school, compared with 11.7 percent for the commonwealth as a whole.

**Income and Poverty:** Households with incomes of less than \$25,000 (27.2 percent) made up the largest percent of households in the Erie County Public Library service area in 2008-2012. For comparison, 23.6 percent of commonwealth households were in this range during the period.

In 2008-2012, the overall poverty rate for the Erie County Public Library service area was higher than Pennsylvania (16.1 percent compared to 13.1 percent). The poverty rate for the population under 18 years of age was 23.7 percent, compared with 15.0 percent of people 18 to 64 years and 8.9 percent for those aged 65 years and over. A total of 6,688 or 11.0 percent of all families had incomes below poverty level. In 2008-2012, 19.1 percent of families with related children and 41.6 percent of families with a female householder and no husband with related children present had incomes below the poverty level.

**Class of Worker and Occupation:** In 2008-2012, 83.8 percent of the workforce was private wage and salary workers; 11.1 percent were federal, state, or local government workers; and 5.1 percent were self-employed in their own (not incorporated) business.

The top occupation group for the civilian employed population 16 years and over in the Erie County Public Library service area in 2008-2012 was Management, business, science, and arts (33.8 percent).

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<sup>1</sup> Other race includes those who identified themselves as American Indian/Alaska Native, Asian, Native Hawaiian/Other Pacific Islander, Some Other Race and Two or More Races on the 2010 Census form.

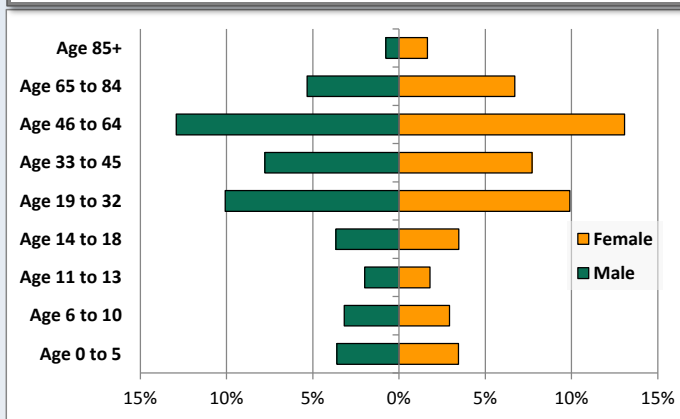
<sup>2</sup> People of Hispanic origin may be of any race.

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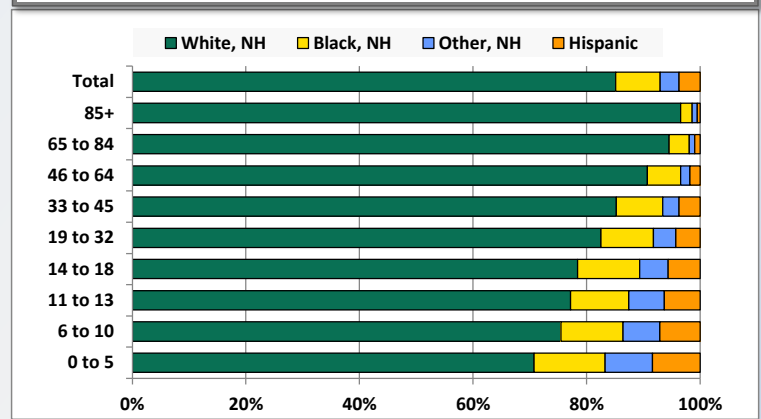
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Key Indicators		
	2000	2010
<b>Population Growth</b>		
Total Population	244,186	245,988
10-Year Growth	N/A	0.7%
<b>Diversity</b>		
White Alone, Non-Hispanic	88.6%	85.1%
Black Alone, Non-Hispanic	6.8%	7.8%
Other Race Alone, Non-Hispanic	2.1%	3.4%
Percent Hispanic	2.4%	3.7%
<b>Aging</b>		
Percent 65 Years and Over	14.5%	14.4%
<b>Households</b>		
Percent Married Couple with Own Children	21.6%	16.4%
Percent Living Alone	28.0%	29.7%

Population by Library-Defined Age Group, 2010



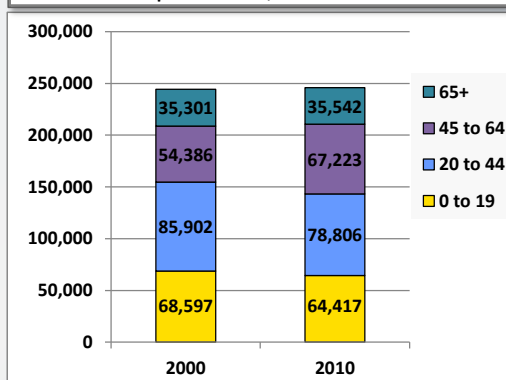
Race/Ethnicity by Library-Defined Age Group, 2010



Population Growth by Library-Defined Age Group, 2000 to 2010

Age Group	2010	Change	
		Numeric	Percent
Total	245,988	1,802	0.7%
85+	5,934	1,621	37.6%
65 to 84	29,608	-1,380	-4.5%
46 to 64	63,926	13,456	26.7%
33 to 45	38,138	-9,092	-19.3%
19 to 32	49,160	2,194	4.7%
14 to 18	17,529	-613	-3.4%
11 to 13	9,328	-854	-8.4%
6 to 10	14,984	-2,580	-14.7%
0 to 5	17,381	-950	-5.2%

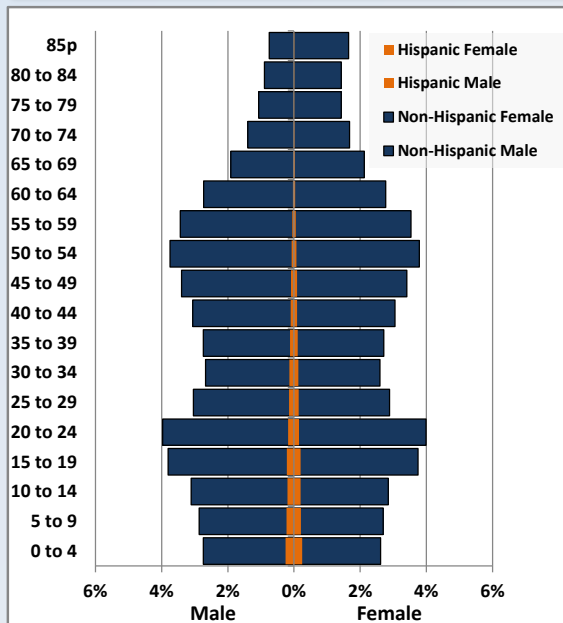
Population Total, 2000 and 2010



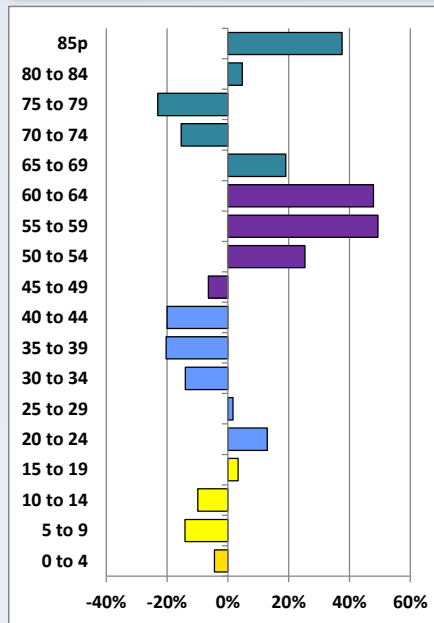
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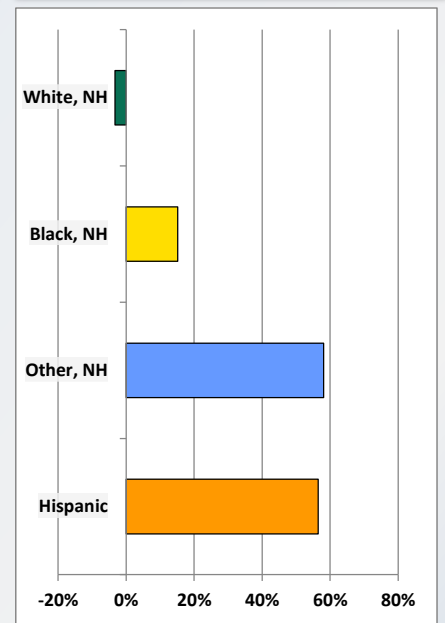
Population by 5-Year Age Cohorts



Pop Change by Age, 2000 to 2010

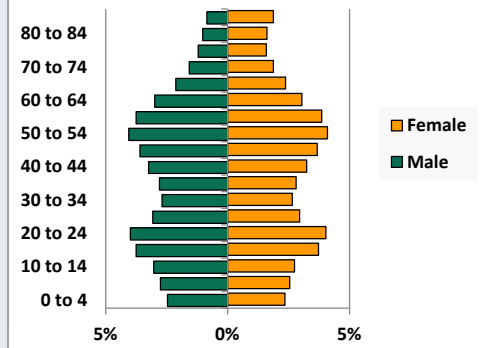


Pop Change by Race/Ethnicity, 2000 to 2010

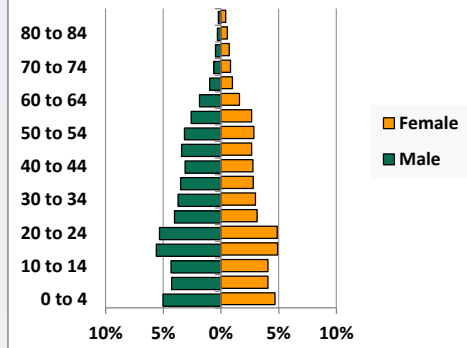


Population by Age, Race and Ethnicity 2010

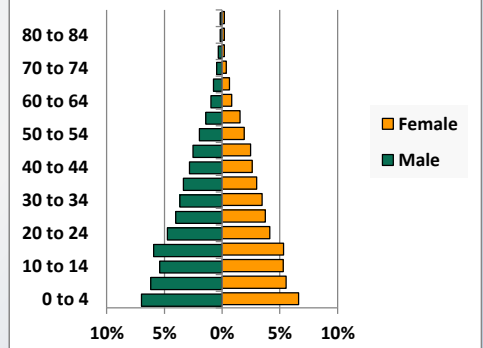
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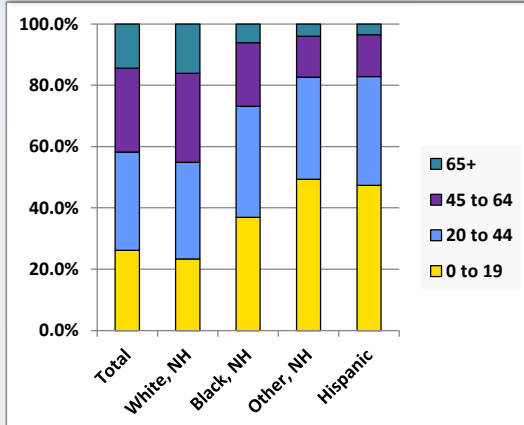
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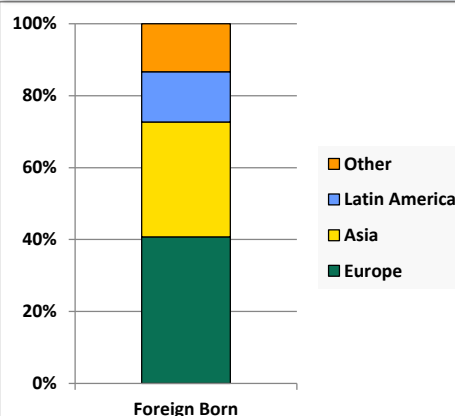
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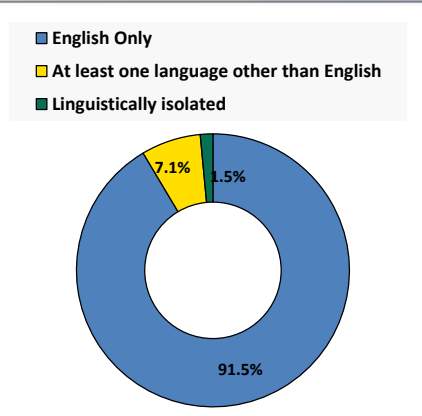
Age by Race and Ethnicity, 2010



Foreign Born, 2010



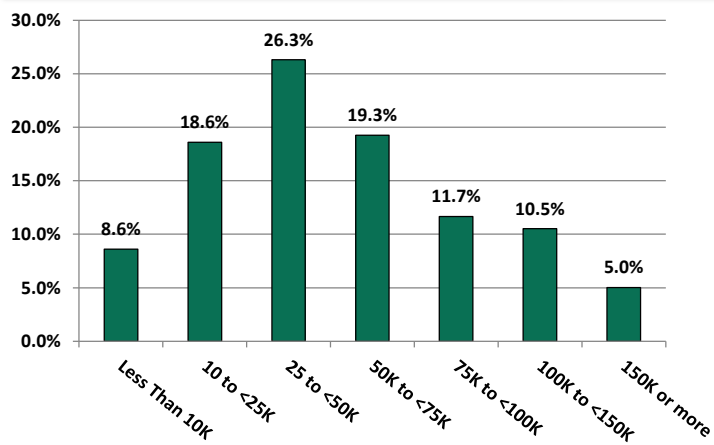
Household Language, 2010



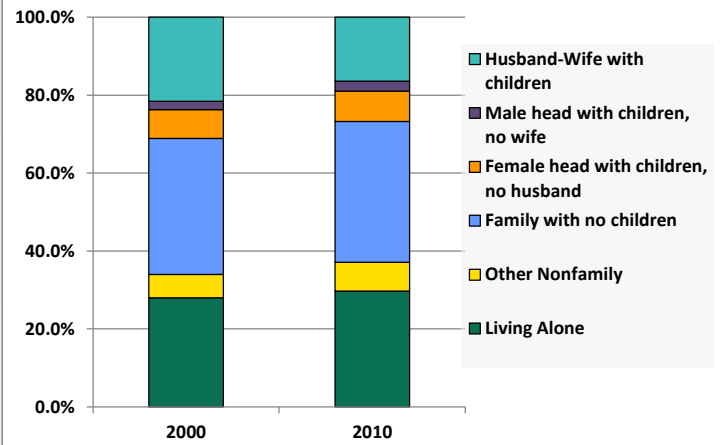
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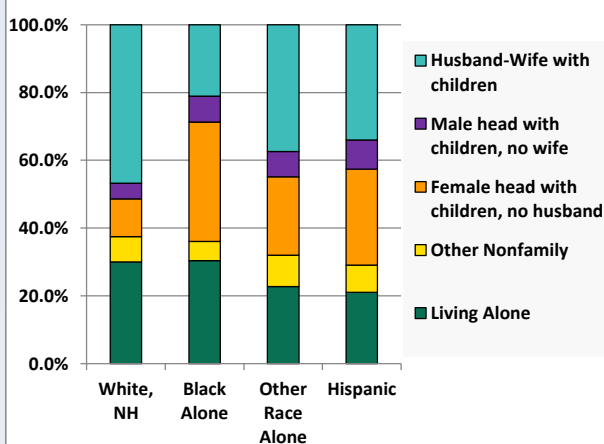
Household Income Distribution, 2008-2012



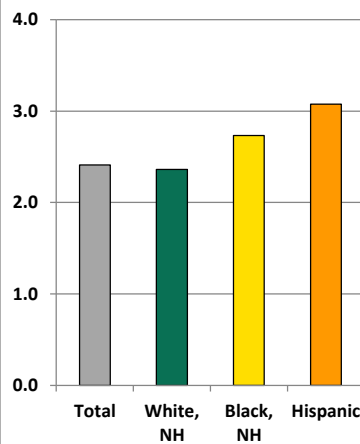
Household Type, 2000 and 2010



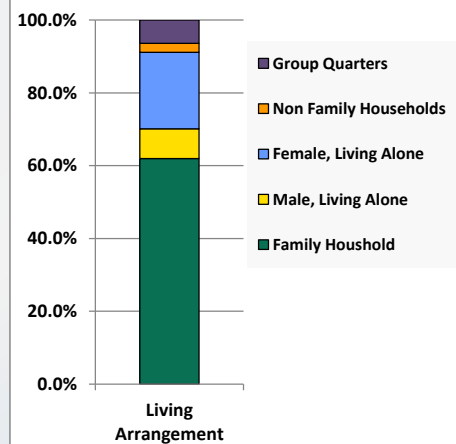
Household Type by Race/Ethnicity, 2010



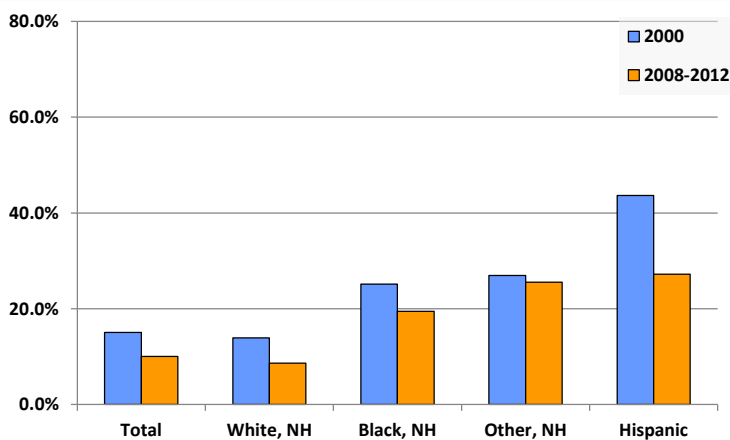
Average Household Size, 2010



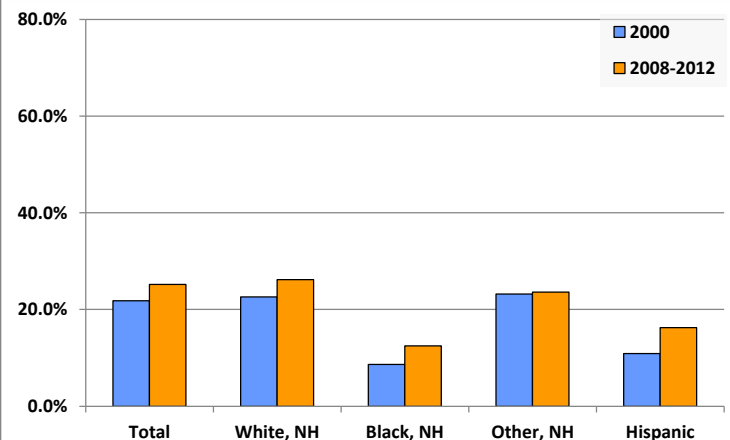
Living Arrangements 65+, 2008-2012



Percent of Adults that Did Not Complete High School



Percent of Adults Who Attained a Bachelor's Degree or Higher



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	Total Population	White, Non- Hispanic	Black, Non- Hispanic	Other, Non- Hispanic	Detail for Other, Non-Hispanic					
					AIAN	Asian	NHOPI	Some Other Race	Two or More Races	Hispanic or Latino
A. Total Population										
2000 Total	244,186	216,415	16,722	5,233	349	1,795	52	307	2,730	5,816
2000 pct of Total	100.0%	88.6%	6.8%	2.1%	0.1%	0.7%	0.0%	0.1%	1.1%	2.4%
2010 Total	245,988	209,354	19,255	8,274	396	2,935	65	277	4,601	9,105
2010 pct of Total	100.0%	85.1%	7.8%	3.4%	0.2%	1.2%	0.0%	0.1%	1.9%	3.7%
B. Population by Major Age Groups by Race and Ethnicity										
2000										
0-19	68,597	56,599	6,733	2,503	98	510	25	205	1,665	2,762
20-64	140,288	125,952	8,945	2,510	227	1,195	27	94	967	2,881
65+	35,301	33,864	1,044	220	24	90	0	8	98	173
85+	4,313	4,196	80	23	1	4	0	0	18	14
2010										
0-19	64,417	48,910	7,112	4,086	91	863	22	165	2,945	4,309
20-64	146,029	126,727	10,965	3,856	277	1,911	41	102	1,525	4,481
65+	35,542	33,717	1,178	332	28	161	2	10	131	315
85+	5,934	5,729	123	51	3	8	1	4	35	31
C. Age Mix for Each Racial and Ethnic Group										
2000										
0-19	28.1%	26.2%	40.3%	47.8%	28.1%	28.4%	48.1%	66.8%	61.0%	47.5%
20-64	57.5%	58.2%	53.5%	48.0%	65.0%	66.6%	51.9%	30.6%	35.4%	49.5%
65+	14.5%	15.6%	6.2%	4.2%	6.9%	5.0%	0.0%	2.6%	3.6%	3.0%
85+	1.8%	1.9%	0.5%	0.4%	0.3%	0.2%	0.0%	0.0%	0.7%	0.2%
2010										
0-19	26.2%	23.4%	36.9%	49.4%	23.0%	29.4%	33.8%	59.6%	64.0%	47.3%
20-64	59.4%	60.5%	56.9%	46.6%	69.9%	65.1%	63.1%	36.8%	33.1%	49.2%
65+	14.4%	16.1%	6.1%	4.0%	7.1%	5.5%	3.1%	3.6%	2.8%	3.5%
85+	2.4%	2.7%	0.6%	0.6%	0.8%	0.3%	1.5%	1.4%	0.8%	0.3%
D. Racial and Ethnic Composition of Each Age Group										
2000										
0-19	100.0%	82.5%	9.8%	3.6%	0.1%	0.7%	0.0%	0.3%	2.4%	4.0%
20-64	100.0%	89.8%	6.4%	1.8%	0.2%	0.9%	0.0%	0.1%	0.7%	2.1%
65+	100.0%	95.9%	3.0%	0.6%	0.1%	0.3%	0.0%	0.0%	0.3%	0.5%
85+	100.0%	97.3%	1.9%	0.5%	0.0%	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.4%	0.3%
2010										
0-19	100.0%	75.9%	11.0%	6.3%	0.1%	1.3%	0.0%	0.3%	4.6%	6.7%
20-64	100.0%	86.8%	7.5%	2.6%	0.2%	1.3%	0.0%	0.1%	1.0%	3.1%
65+	100.0%	94.9%	3.3%	0.9%	0.1%	0.5%	0.0%	0.0%	0.4%	0.9%
85+	100.0%	96.5%	2.1%	0.9%	0.1%	0.1%	0.0%	0.1%	0.6%	0.5%
E. Population Growth										
2000-2010, Change										
0-19	-4,180	-7,689	379	1,583	-7	353	-3	-40	1,280	1,547
20-64	5,741	775	2,020	1,346	50	716	14	8	558	1,600
65+	241	-147	134	112	4	71	2	2	33	142
85+	1,621	1,533	43	28	2	4	1	4	17	17
Total	1,802	-7,061	2,533	3,041	47	1,140	13	-30	1,871	3,289
2000-2010, Pct Change										
0-19	-6.1%	-13.6%	5.6%	63.2%	-7.1%	69.2%	-12.0%	-19.5%	76.9%	56.0%
20-64	4.1%	0.6%	22.6%	53.6%	22.0%	59.9%	51.9%	8.5%	57.7%	55.5%
65+	0.7%	-0.4%	12.8%	50.9%	16.7%	78.9%	0.0%	25.0%	33.7%	82.1%
85+	37.6%	36.5%	53.8%	121.7%	200.0%	100.0%	0.0%	0.0%	94.4%	121.4%
Total	0.7%	-3.3%	15.1%	58.1%	13.5%	63.5%	25.0%	-9.8%	68.5%	56.6%

Source: Decennial Census 2010, 2000, American Community Survey 2008-2012

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	Total Population	White, Non- Hispanic	Black, Non- Hispanic	Other, Non- Hispanic	Detail for Other, Non-Hispanic					Hispanic or Latino
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								Race	Races	
F. Population by Library-Defined Age Groups, 2010										
0-5	17,381	12,299	2,177	1,447	27	252	6	54	1,108	1,458
6-10	14,984	11,313	1,633	971	10	184	3	43	731	1,067
11-13	9,328	7,198	959	581	16	108	4	23	430	590
14-18	17,529	13,745	1,917	877	25	252	5	34	561	990
19-32	49,160	40,583	4,532	1,927	88	879	29	63	868	2,118
33-45	38,138	32,518	3,098	1,106	82	569	11	28	416	1,416
46-64	63,926	57,981	3,761	1,033	120	530	5	22	356	1,151
65-84	29,608	27,988	1,055	281	25	153	1	6	96	284
85+	5,934	5,729	123	51	3	8	1	4	35	31
Total	245,988	209,354	19,255	8,274	396	2,935	65	277	4,601	9,105
G. Population by 5-Year Age Cohorts, 2010										
0-4	14,438	10,095	1,866	1,238	22	210	6	47	953	1,239
5-9	14,764	11,093	1,603	999	13	193	2	40	751	1,069
10-14	15,613	12,083	1,618	937	22	176	5	39	695	975
15-19	19,602	15,639	2,025	912	34	284	9	39	546	1,026
20-24	20,376	16,777	1,964	828	37	354	16	29	392	807
25-29	15,288	12,603	1,377	601	26	300	7	17	251	707
30-34	13,628	11,186	1,290	502	18	270	3	14	197	650
35-39	13,982	11,730	1,208	466	33	251	4	7	171	578
40-44	15,532	13,556	1,132	350	33	176	4	11	126	494
45-49	17,199	15,236	1,165	343	45	163	3	4	128	455
50-54	18,888	17,054	1,157	322	45	159	1	10	107	355
55-59	17,437	15,928	1,006	234	24	112	1	5	92	269
60-64	13,699	12,657	666	210	16	126	2	5	61	166
65-69	10,034	9,411	377	120	10	68	1	1	40	126
70-74	7,645	7,211	281	77	8	38	0	2	29	76
75-79	6,188	5,855	231	53	3	32	0	2	16	49
80-84	5,741	5,511	166	31	4	15	0	1	11	33
85-89	3,849	3,708	81	39	3	8	1	4	23	21
90-94	1,647	1,596	34	7	0	0	0	0	7	10
95-99	397	385	7	5	0	0	0	0	5	0
100+	41	40	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	245,988	209,354	19,255	8,274	396	2,935	65	277	4,601	9,105

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## H. Income Distribution, 2008-2012

Range (in thousands)	Households	Pct of Total
<\$10K	8,253	8.6%
\$10K to <\$25K	17,799	18.6%
\$25K to <\$50K	25,196	26.3%
\$50K to <\$75K	18,445	19.3%
\$75K to <\$100K	11,162	11.7%
\$100K to <\$150K	10,073	10.5%
\$150K+	4,817	5.0%

## I. Household Type, 2010

Household Type	2000	2000pct	2010	2010pct
Total Households	93,028	100.0%	96,799	100.0%
Family Households	61,400	66.0%	60,837	62.8%
Husband-wife, no children w/children	20,071	21.6%	15,862	16.4%
Female head, no husband, w/ children	6,831	7.3%	7,571	7.8%
Male head, no wife, w/ children	2,001	2.2%	2,482	2.6%
Without children	32,497	34.9%	34,922	36.1%
Nonfamily households	31,628	34.0%	35,962	37.2%
Living alone	26,046	28.0%	28,783	29.7%
Other nonfamily	5,582	6.0%	7,179	7.4%

## J. Household Type by Race and Ethnicity, 2008-2012

Household Type	White, NH	Black, NH	Other, NH	Hispanic
Total Households	86,202	6,376	3,005	2,393
Husband wife family	46.8%	21.1%	37.4%	34.0%
Family with male head, no wife	4.6%	7.6%	7.5%	8.6%
family with female head, no husband	11.1%	35.2%	23.1%	28.4%
Living alone	30.0%	30.4%	22.8%	21.0%
Other nonfamily	7.5%	5.7%	9.2%	8.0%

## K. Poverty, 2008-2012

Families	Poverty	PA
All families	11.0%	9.1%
Families w/ related children	19.1%	15.3%
Female householder, no husband present	31.5%	28.8%
Female householder, no husband present, w/ related children	41.6%	39.2%
All people	16.1%	13.1%
Under 18 years	23.7%	18.4%
18 to 64 years	15.0%	12.3%
65 years and over	8.9%	8.4%

## L. Educational Attainment by Race and Ethnicity, 2008-2012

Education Level	White, NH	Black	Other	Hispanic	Total
Population 25 years and over	144,404	10,403	4,559	4,028	161,838
Less than high school	8.7%	19.4%	26%	27.2%	10.1%
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	40.7%	42.0%	28%	34.8%	40.4%
Some college or associates degree	24.5%	26.1%	23%	21.7%	24.4%
Bachelors degree or higher	26.2%	12.5%	24%	16.3%	25.2%

## M. Occupation, 2008-2012

Occupation	Estimate	Percent
Civilian population age 16 years and over	112,503	100.0%
Management, professional, and related occupations	38,019	33.8%
Service occupations	21,616	19.2%
Sales and office occupations	27,549	24.5%
Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations	339	0.3%
Construction, extraction, maintenance, and repair occupations	7,893	7.0%
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	17,087	15.2%

## N. Class of Worker, 2008-2012

Occupation	Estimate	Percent
Civilian population age 16 years and over	112,503	100.0%
Private, for profit, wage and salary employee	76,951	68.4%
Private, not for profit, wage and salary employee	14,648	13.0%
Private, for profit, wage and salary self-employed in own business	2,655	2.4%
Government workers	12,455	11.1%
Self-employed in own not incorporated business	5,690	5.1%
Unpaid family workers in family business	104	0.1%

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