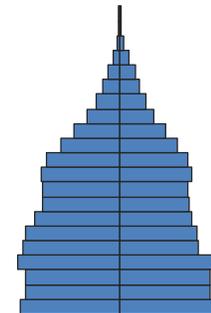


Highlights



Population Growth: The total population in Kern County increased by 27% over the past decade to 840,000, while California grew by just 10% overall. The greatest growth occurred in the Hispanic population, which increased by 159,000 people (63%). Despite the overall growth, the number of white, non-Hispanic young people declined substantially by 14,000 (-16%).



Population by Age

Diversity: The racial and ethnic composition of Kern County shifted over the past decade, with the Hispanic share of the population increasing from 38% to 49% of total, and the white, non-Hispanic share decreasing from 49% to 39% of total. Among young people, 61% are Hispanic, while 67% of those age 65+ are white, non-Hispanic.

Age structure: Kern is younger than California overall with a median age of 31, compared with 35 statewide. The share of the population age 65+ stayed constant at 9% of total, compared with 11% statewide, and the share of young people was 34% of the total, compared with 28% in California overall.

Education: Educational attainment is lower in Kern County than in California as a whole. Just 15% of adults have earned a Bachelor’s degree or higher, compared with 30% of adults statewide, and 29% have not completed high school, compared with 20% statewide.

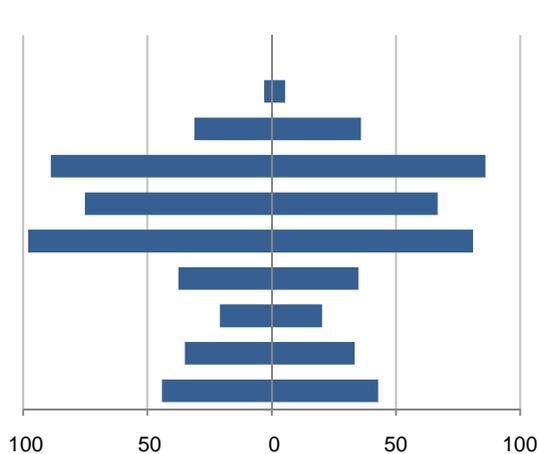
Income: Income is relatively low here, with median household income of \$46,000, just 77% of the California median. In Kern County, 20% of people have incomes below the federal poverty line, as do 24% of families with children and 46% of female-headed families with children and no husband present.

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Key Indicators			
		2000	2010
Population Growth			
	Total population	661,645	839,631
	10-year growth	21.7%	26.9%
Diversity			
	% Hispanic	38.4%	49.2%
	% Asian, non-Hispanic	3.2%	3.9%
	% White, non-Hispanic	49.5%	38.6%
	% Black, non-Hispanic	5.7%	5.4%
Aging			
	% 65+	9.4%	9.0%
	Median age	30.6	30.7
Households			
	% Married couple with children	30.4%	26.7%
	% Living alone	20.2%	19.3%

1. Population by Library-Defined Age Group, 2010

In thousands; males on left, females on right

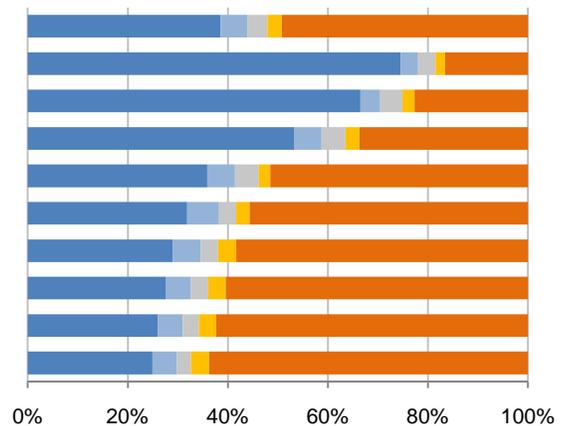


2. Race and Ethnicity by Library-Defined Age Group, 2010

White,NH Black,NH Asian,NH Other,NH Hispanic

Age group

- Total
- 85+, Oldest
- 65 to 84, Older adults
- 46 to 64, Midlife
- 33 to 45, Adult
- 19 to 32, Young
- 14 to 18, Teens
- 11 to 13, Tweens
- 6 to 10, School age
- 0 to 5, Infants/toddlers

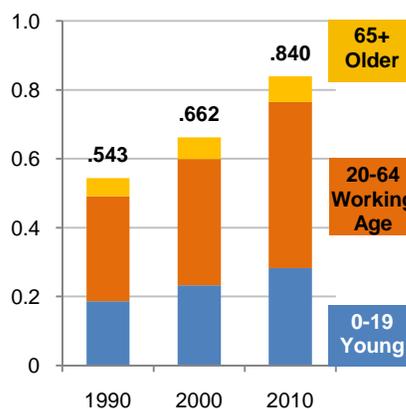


3. Population Growth by Library-Defined Age Group, 2000-10

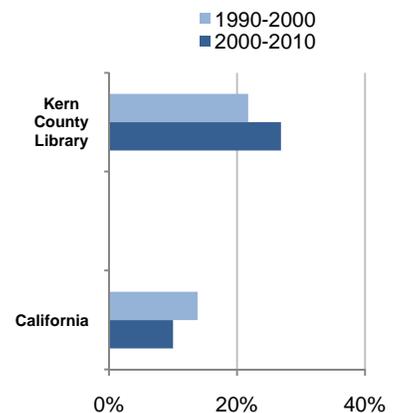
	2010	Change	% Change
Total	839,631	177,986	26.9%
85+	8,462	2,005	31.1%
65 to 84	66,975	11,378	20.5%
46 to 64	174,731	60,379	52.8%
33 to 45	141,978	9,808	7.4%
19 to 32	178,925	47,968	36.6%
14 to 18	72,332	15,331	26.9%
11 to 13	41,012	5,678	16.1%
6 to 10	68,270	6,174	9.9%
0 to 5	86,946	19,265	28.5%

4. Population Total, 1990-2010

In millions



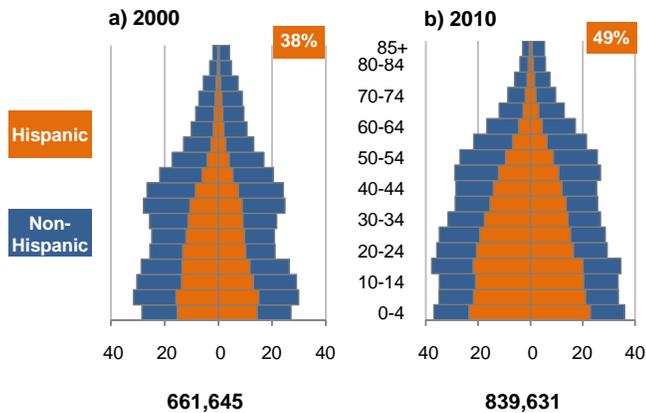
5. 10-Year Population Change



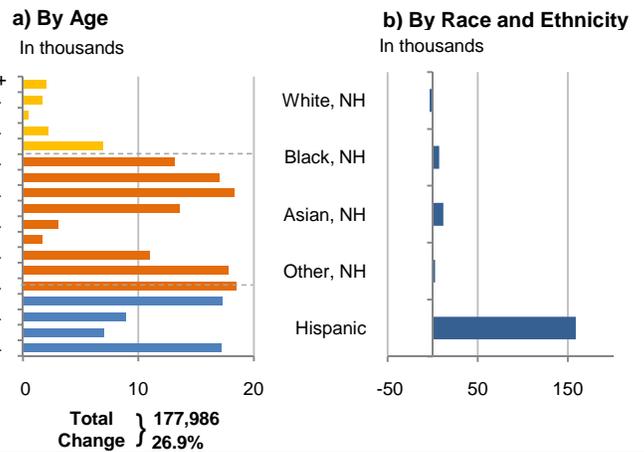
Source: US Census 2010, 2000, or 1990

6. Population by 5-Year Age Brackets

In thousands; males on left, females on right

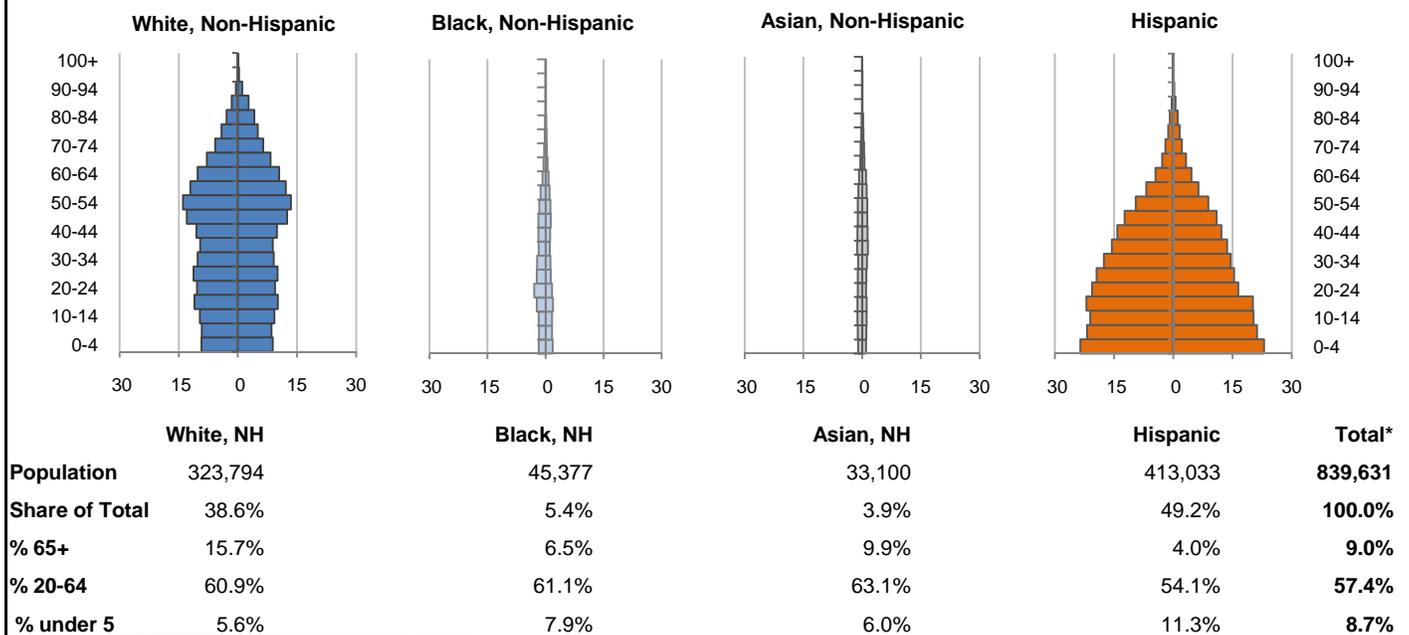


7. 10-Year Change in Population, 2000-10

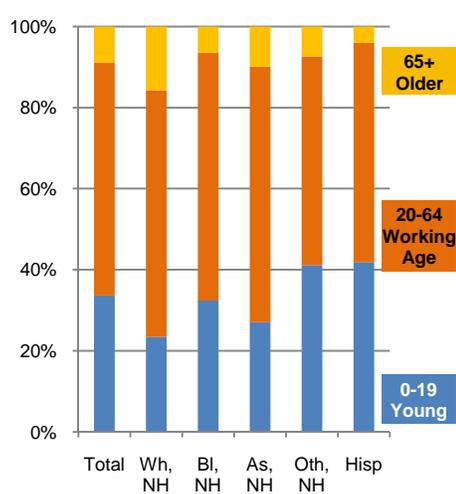


8. Population by Age, Race, and Ethnicity, 2010

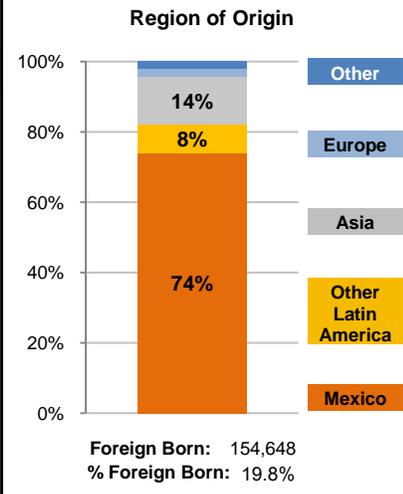
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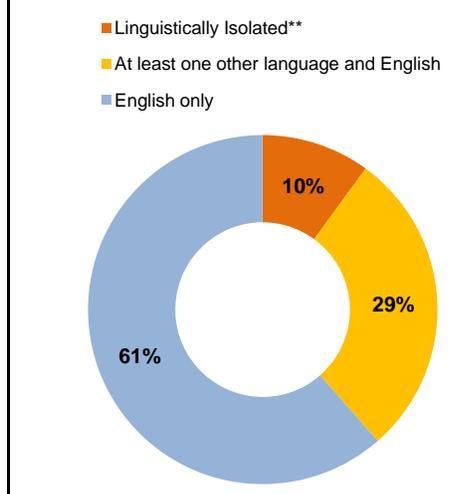
9. Age Mix by Race and Ethnicity, 2010



10. Foreign Born, 2005-09



11. Household Language, 2005-09

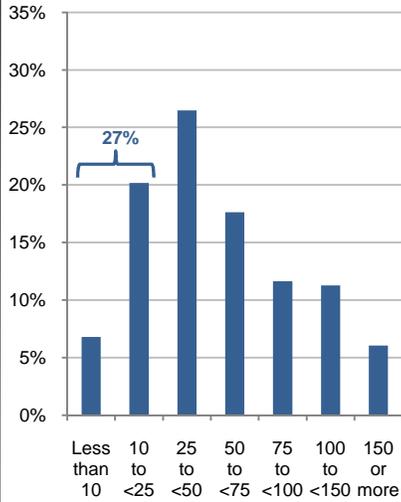


Wh=White; BI=Black; As=Asian; Oth=Other Race or Two or More Races; Hisp=Hispanic; NH=Non-Hispanic; ACS=American Community Survey 2005-09
*See pages 5-6 for detail on Other, Non-Hispanic
**Linguistically Isolated = No one in the household age 14 and over speaks English at least "very well"

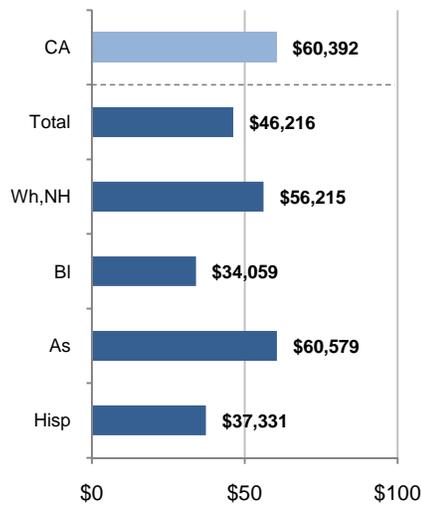
12. Household Income, 2005-09

In thousands of \$ (2009)

a) Income Distribution



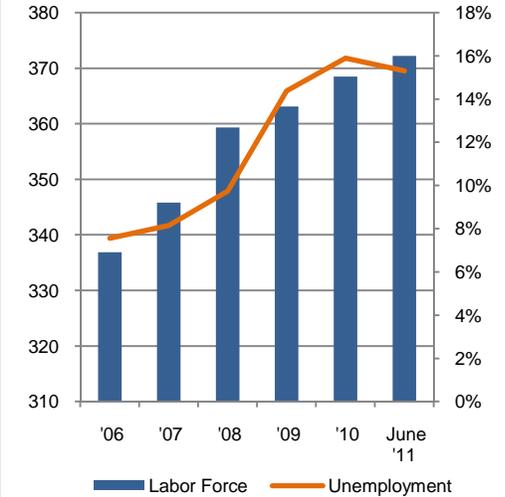
b) Median Household Income by Race and Ethnicity*



13. Labor Force and Unemployment, 2006-11

Labor Force In thousands

Unemployment Rate

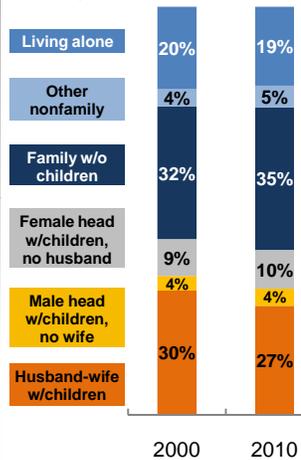


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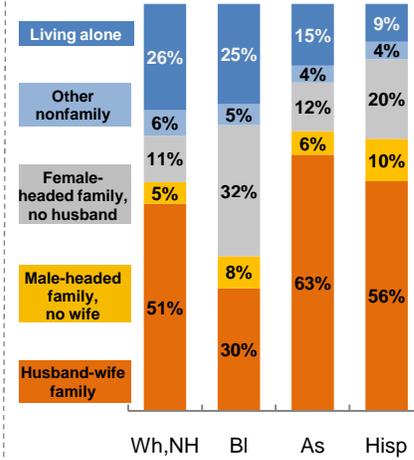
14. Household Type, 2010

% of all households

a) Total, 2000-10

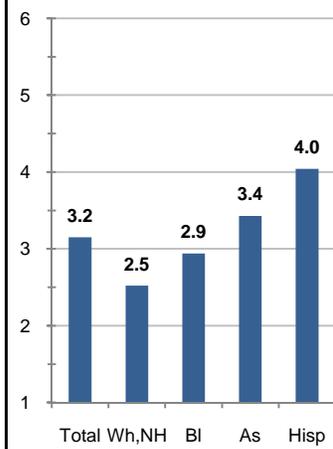


b) By Race and Ethnicity,* 2010

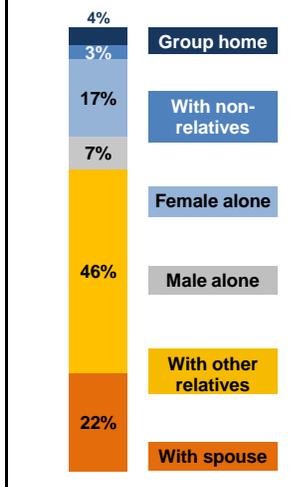


15. Average Household Size, 2010

By Race and Ethnicity*



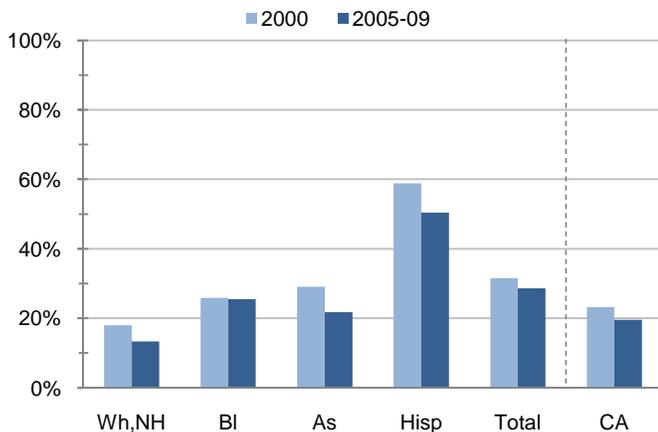
16. Living Arrangements Age 65+, 2005-09



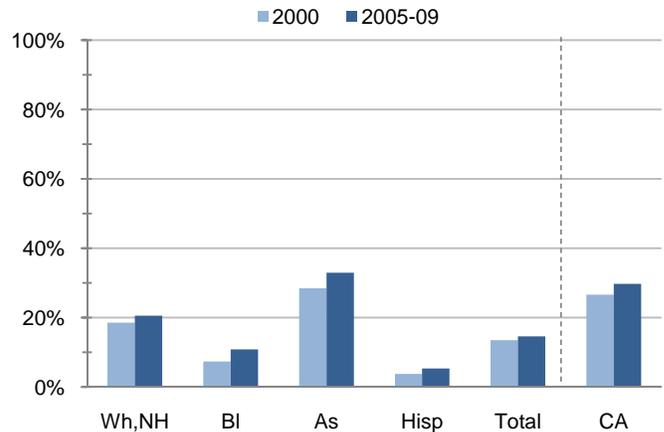
Source: ACS 2005-09

17. Educational Attainment for the Population Age 25 and Over by Race and Ethnicity*

a) % of Adults Who Did Not Complete High School



b) % of Adults Who Attained a BA or Higher



Source: Census 2000, ACS 2005-09

*Wh,NH=White,Non-Hispanic; Bl=Black,Hispanic Inclusive; As=Asian,Hispanic Inclusive; Hisp=Hispanic(Includes all races); CA=California Total

Note: In the American Community Survey and for Census variables other than population, Hispanic origin is not broken out for all races.

	White, Non- Hispanic	Black, Non- Hispanic	Asian, Non- Hispanic	Other, Non- Hispanic	Detail for Other, Non-Hispanic				Hispanic or Latino	Total Population
					American Indian & Alaska Native	Native Hawaiian & Pacific Islander	Some Other Race	Two or More Races		
A. Total Population										
2000 Total	327,190	37,845	21,177	21,397	5,885	728	989	13,795	254,036	661,645
2000 % of Total	49.5%	5.7%	3.2%	3.2%	0.9%	0.1%	0.1%	2.1%	38.4%	100.0%
2010 Total	323,794	45,377	33,100	24,327	5,893	995	1,472	15,967	413,033	839,631
2010 % of Total	38.6%	5.4%	3.9%	2.9%	0.7%	0.1%	0.2%	1.9%	49.2%	100.0%
B. Population in Major Age Groups by Race and Ethnicity										
2000										
0-19	89,936	13,690	6,403	8,853	1,852	248	388	6,365	113,252	232,134
20-64	190,461	21,792	12,765	10,963	3,574	457	538	6,394	131,476	367,457
65+	46,793	2,363	2,009	1,581	459	23	63	1,036	9,308	62,054
85+	5,214	261	171	139	45	0	7	87	672	6,457
2010										
0-19	75,838	14,687	8,944	9,997	1,621	303	524	7,549	173,079	282,545
20-64	197,112	27,743	20,886	12,531	3,627	638	862	7,404	223,377	481,649
65+	50,844	2,947	3,270	1,799	645	54	86	1,014	16,577	75,437
85+	6,310	293	294	165	53	6	7	99	1,400	8,462
C. Age Mix for Each Racial and Ethnic Group										
2000										
0-19	27.5%	36.2%	30.2%	41.4%	31.5%	34.1%	39.2%	46.1%	44.6%	35.1%
20-64	58.2%	57.6%	60.3%	51.2%	60.7%	62.8%	54.4%	46.4%	51.8%	55.5%
65+	14.3%	6.2%	9.5%	7.4%	7.8%	3.2%	6.4%	7.5%	3.7%	9.4%
85+	1.6%	0.7%	0.8%	0.6%	0.8%	0.0%	0.7%	0.6%	0.3%	1.0%
2010										
0-19	23.4%	32.4%	27.0%	41.1%	27.5%	30.5%	35.6%	47.3%	41.9%	33.7%
20-64	60.9%	61.1%	63.1%	51.5%	61.5%	64.1%	58.6%	46.4%	54.1%	57.4%
65+	15.7%	6.5%	9.9%	7.4%	10.9%	5.4%	5.8%	6.4%	4.0%	9.0%
85+	1.9%	0.6%	0.9%	0.7%	0.9%	0.6%	0.5%	0.6%	0.3%	1.0%
D. Racial and Ethnic Mix for Each Age Group										
2000										
0-19	38.7%	5.9%	2.8%	3.8%	0.8%	0.1%	0.2%	2.7%	48.8%	100.0%
20-64	51.8%	5.9%	3.5%	3.0%	1.0%	0.1%	0.1%	1.7%	35.8%	100.0%
65+	75.4%	3.8%	3.2%	2.5%	0.7%	0.0%	0.1%	1.7%	15.0%	100.0%
85+	80.7%	4.0%	2.6%	2.2%	0.7%	0.0%	0.1%	1.3%	10.4%	100.0%
2010										
0-19	26.8%	5.2%	3.2%	3.5%	0.6%	0.1%	0.2%	2.7%	61.3%	100.0%
20-64	40.9%	5.8%	4.3%	2.6%	0.8%	0.1%	0.2%	1.5%	46.4%	100.0%
65+	67.4%	3.9%	4.3%	2.4%	0.9%	0.1%	0.1%	1.3%	22.0%	100.0%
85+	74.6%	3.5%	3.5%	1.9%	0.6%	0.1%	0.1%	1.2%	16.5%	100.0%
E. Population Growth										
2000-10, Change										
0-19	-14,098	997	2,541	1,144	-231	55	136	1,184	59,827	50,411
20-64	6,651	5,951	8,121	1,568	53	181	324	1,010	91,901	114,192
65+	4,051	584	1,261	218	186	31	23	-22	7,269	13,383
85+	1,096	32	123	26	8	6	0	12	728	2,005
Total	-3,396	7,532	11,923	2,930	8	267	483	2,172	158,997	177,986
2000-10, % Change										
0-19	-15.7%	7.3%	39.7%	12.9%	-12.5%	22.2%	35.1%	18.6%	52.8%	21.7%
20-64	3.5%	27.3%	63.6%	14.3%	1.5%	39.6%	60.2%	15.8%	69.9%	31.1%
65+	8.7%	24.7%	62.8%	13.8%	40.5%	134.8%	36.5%	-2.1%	78.1%	21.6%
85+	21.0%	12.3%	71.9%	18.7%	17.8%	N/A	0.0%	13.8%	108.3%	31.1%
Total	-1.0%	19.9%	56.3%	13.7%	0.1%	36.7%	48.8%	15.7%	62.6%	26.9%

Source: US Census 2010, 2000

	White, Non- Hispanic	Black, Non- Hispanic	Asian, Non- Hispanic	Other, Non- Hispanic	Detail for Other, Non-Hispanic				Hispanic or Latino	Total Population 2010
					American Indian & Alaska Native	Native Hawaiian & Pacific Islander	Some Other Race	Two or More Races		
F. Population by Library-Defined Age Groups, 2010										
0-5	21,672	4,288	2,401	3,168	383	65	162	2,558	55,417	86,946
6-10	17,762	3,385	2,236	2,352	364	64	120	1,804	42,535	68,270
11-13	11,308	2,068	1,422	1,428	266	57	65	1,040	24,786	41,012
14-18	20,980	4,065	2,464	2,617	517	100	154	1,846	42,206	72,332
19-32	57,063	11,367	6,167	4,748	1,043	239	324	3,142	99,580	178,925
33-45	50,978	7,810	6,791	3,298	990	190	254	1,864	73,101	141,978
46-64	93,187	9,447	8,349	4,917	1,685	226	307	2,699	58,831	174,731
65-84	44,534	2,654	2,976	1,634	592	48	79	915	15,177	66,975
85+	6,310	293	294	165	53	6	7	99	1,400	8,462
Total	323,794	45,377	33,100	24,327	5,893	995	1,472	15,967	413,033	839,631
G. Population by 5-Year Age Brackets, 2010										
0-4	18,078	3,592	1,994	2,665	314	53	142	2,156	46,556	72,885
5-9	17,694	3,440	2,194	2,357	355	57	116	1,829	43,009	68,694
10-14	18,840	3,440	2,360	2,440	439	98	121	1,782	41,393	68,473
15-19	21,226	4,215	2,396	2,535	513	95	145	1,782	42,121	72,493
20-24	19,768	4,611	2,107	1,819	385	91	114	1,229	37,034	65,339
25-29	21,315	3,640	2,256	1,612	337	75	127	1,073	34,807	63,630
30-34	19,270	3,434	2,296	1,379	366	89	106	818	32,037	58,416
35-39	18,479	2,898	2,723	1,244	358	62	102	722	29,214	54,558
40-44	20,496	3,103	2,671	1,281	412	68	85	716	26,391	53,942
45-49	25,457	3,263	2,460	1,472	461	90	105	816	23,227	55,879
50-54	27,365	2,953	2,493	1,440	510	60	89	781	18,349	52,600
55-59	24,301	2,311	2,141	1,277	449	62	79	687	13,203	43,233
60-64	20,661	1,530	1,739	1,007	349	41	55	562	9,115	34,052
65-69	16,154	1,051	1,116	664	249	22	29	364	6,055	25,040
70-74	12,165	731	898	497	185	13	23	276	4,171	18,462
75-79	9,186	537	583	298	93	10	16	179	2,951	13,555
80-84	7,029	335	379	175	65	3	11	96	2,000	9,918
85-89	4,314	185	213	119	38	4	6	71	1,000	5,831
90-94	1,582	84	59	33	10	0	0	23	320	2,078
95-99	370	20	20	12	5	2	0	5	70	492
100+	44	4	2	1	0	0	1	0	10	61
Total	323,794	45,377	33,100	24,327	5,893	995	1,472	15,967	413,033	839,631
H. Median Age, 2000-10										
	White, Non- Hispanic	Black, Hispanic Inclusive	Asian, Hispanic Inclusive		American Indian & Alaska Native, Hispanic Inclusive	Native Hawaiian & Pacific Islander, Hispanic Inclusive	Some Other Race, Hispanic Inclusive	Two or More Races, Hispanic Inclusive	Hispanic or Latino	Total Population
2000	38.3	28.5	34.0		29.1	26.6	23.0	20.1	22.9	30.6
2010	41.8	28.5	36.1		30.8	28.7	24.4	19.8	24.5	30.7

Source: US Census 2010, 2000

Note: In the American Community Survey and for Census variables other than population, Hispanic origin is not broken out for all races.

I. Income Distribution, 2005-09			J. Median Household Income by Race and Ethnicity, 2005-09 (\$2009)						
Range (ths)	Households	% of Total	White, NH	Black	Asian	Hispanic	Total	% of CA	California
<\$10	16,266	6.8%	\$56,215	\$34,059	\$60,579	\$37,331	\$46,216	76.5%	\$60,392
\$10 to <\$25	48,262	20.2%							
\$25 to <\$50	63,335	26.5%							
\$50 to <\$75	42,173	17.6%							
\$75 to <\$100	27,840	11.6%							
\$100 to <\$150	26,951	11.3%							
\$150+	14,450	6.0%							
K. Household Type, 2000-10			2000	2000,%	2010	2010,%			
Total households			208,786	100.0%	254,610	100.0%			
Family Households			157,723	75.5%	191,739	75.3%			
Husband-wife w/children			63,535	30.4%	68,101	26.7%			
Female head, no husband, w/children			18,904	9.1%	24,191	9.5%			
Male head, no wife, w/children			7,463	3.6%	10,669	4.2%			
Without children			67,821	32.5%	88,778	34.9%			
Nonfamily households			51,063	24.5%	62,871	24.7%			
Living alone			42,274	20.2%	49,209	19.3%			
Other nonfamily			8,789	4.2%	13,662	5.4%	Source: US Census 2010, 2000		
L. Household Type by Race and Ethnicity, 2010			White, NH	Black	Asian	Hispanic	Total		
Total households			129,731	14,075	9,834	94,901	254,610		
Husband-wife family			50.9%	30.1%	63.0%	56.5%	52.1%		
Family with male head, no wife			5.3%	7.9%	5.7%	10.4%	7.4%		
Family with female head, no husband			11.4%	32.1%	12.0%	19.6%	15.7%		
Living alone			26.1%	24.6%	15.1%	9.3%	19.3%	Source: US	
Other nonfamily			6.2%	5.2%	4.2%	4.3%	5.4%	Census 2010	
M. Poverty, 2005-09									California
<i>Percentage of families and people whose income in the past 12 months is below the poverty level</i>									
All families							16.7%	9.8%	
Families w/ related children under 18 years							23.5%	14.5%	
Families w/ female householder, no husband present							37.5%	24.2%	
Families w/ female householder, no husband present w/ related children under 18 years							46.0%	32.2%	
All people							20.4%	13.2%	
Under 18 years							28.0%	18.3%	
18 to 64 years							17.8%	11.9%	
65 years and over							10.3%	8.4%	
N. Educational Attainment, 2005-09			% at each level of educational attainment						
			White, NH	Black	Asian	Hispanic	Total		
Population 25 years and over			224,559	25,618	19,289	173,387	453,307		
Less than high school			13.4%	25.5%	21.7%	50.4%	28.6%		
High school graduate (includes equivalency)			29.3%	28.5%	20.9%	25.8%	27.5%		
Some college or associate's degree			36.7%	35.2%	24.4%	18.4%	29.2%		
Bachelor's degree or higher			20.6%	10.9%	33.0%	5.4%	14.6%		
O. Employment Status, 2010-11			2010	June 2011					
In civilian labor force			368,500	372,200					
Employed			310,000	315,300					
Unemployed, % of labor force			15.9%	15.3%	Source: CA Employment Development Department				
P. Occupation, 2005-09			Estimate		Percent				
Civilian employed population, 16 yrs & over			297,398		100.0%				
Management, professional, and related occupations			77,107		25.9%				
Service occupations			54,884		18.5%				
Sales and office occupations			68,561		23.1%				
Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations			22,940		7.7%				
Construction, extraction, maintenance, and repair occupations			35,859		12.1%				
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations			38,047		12.8%				
Q. Class of Worker, 2005-09			Estimate		Percent				
Civilian employed population, 16 yrs & over			297,398		100.0%				
Private, for profit, wage and salary employee			196,924		66.2%				
Private, not for profit, wage and salary employee			14,073		4.7%				
Private, for profit, wage and salary self-employed in own business			6,222		2.1%				
Government workers			58,118		19.5%				
Self-employed in own not incorporated business			21,433		7.2%				
Unpaid family workers in family business			628		0.2%				

Source: American Community Survey 2005-09, unless otherwise stated

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Note: In the American Community Survey and for US Census variables other than population, Hispanic origin is not broken out for all races. White, NH represents White, Non-Hispanic. Black and Asian are Hispanic inclusive.