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## Executive Summary

Nebraska continues to become more diverse. In 2010, the population of Nebraska was 1,826,341 and minorities represented 17.9% of the total population. Hispanics were the largest minority group at 9.2% of the state population. African Americans were the second-largest minority group at 4% of the state population. Followed by Asians, American Indian or Alaska Natives and Native Hawaiian/other Pacific Islander. Hispanics accounted for 51% of the total 326,588 minority population.

The minority population in Nebraska has been increasing more rapidly than the non-Hispanic (NH) White population. According to the U.S. Census Bureau, from 2000 to 2010, Nebraska's racial/ethnic minority population grew from 216,769 to 326,588, a 50.7% increase while the non-Hispanic White population had only a 0.4% increase.

In the mid-1990s, the U. S. Census Bureau projected Nebraska's minority populations would reach 14.4% of the total population by the year 2025. In 2005, 20 years ahead of those projections, the racial ethnic minority population of Nebraska was estimated to be 14.6%.

Nebraska has a rapidly growing minority population comprised increasingly by persons of Hispanic/Latino origin. Hispanics are the fastest-growing minority group in Nebraska. The Hispanic/Latino population increased from 36,969 in 1990 to 94,425 in 2000, to 167,405 in 2010.<sup>6</sup> These numbers represent a 352.8% increase of the Hispanic population in the state between 1990 and 2010, a 155.4% increase between 1990 and 2000, and a 77.3% increase between 2000 and 2010. In 1990, the population of Nebraska was 1,578,385. Of that number, the Hispanic population accounted for 2.3%. In 2000, the population of Nebraska was 1,711,263 and the Hispanic population accounted for 5.5%. In 2010, the population of Nebraska had risen to 1,826,341 and the Hispanic population accounted for 9.2% of Nebraska's total population.

Compared with the non-Hispanic White population, Hispanics had a larger proportion of young people and a smaller proportion of older people. In 2010, about one-third (36%) of Hispanics were under 15 years old, about 89% of Hispanics were younger than 45, while only 3% of Hispanics were 65 and older.<sup>7</sup> In the same year, 18.3% of non-Hispanic Whites were under 15 years old, 56% were younger than 45, and 15.6% were 65 and older.

Asians were the third fastest-growing minority group, with a 47.26% population increase during the 2000-2010 period.<sup>8</sup> In 2000, the Asian population accounted for 1.3% of the total Nebraska population, and accounted for 1.8% of the total Nebraska population in 2010. In 2010, about 23% of Asians were under 15 years old, about 77% of Asians were younger than 45, while only 5% of Asians were 65 and older.

Nebraska's minority population had a larger proportion of young people and a smaller proportion of older people. In 2010, nearly one-third (33.2%) of the minority population were under 15 years old, about 80.6% were younger than 45, while only 4.1% were 65 and older. In the same year, 18.3% of non-Hispanic Whites were under 15 years old, 56% were younger than 45, and 15.6% were 65 and older.

According to the U.S. Census Bureau's American Community Survey, of the total foreign-born population in Nebraska in 2010, the largest share (51.5%) were from Central America, 24.6% from Asia, 9.9% from Europe, 8.7% were from Africa.

The top five countries of birth of the foreign born in Nebraska were Mexico, India, El Salvador, Vietnam, and China. In 2010, Mexico accounted for 41% of all foreign-born Nebraska residents. India was the birthplace of the next largest with 5.1% , followed by El Salvador with 5.1%, Vietnam with 3.8% and China with 2.8%.

Of the foreign-born Nebraska residents in 2010, 26.7% entered the country prior to 1990, 34.7% between 1990 and 1999, and 38.5% in 2000 or later. Approximately 73% of foreign-born Nebraskans entered the U.S. after 1990.

The overall trend of immigration into Nebraska has been increasing. The number of people granted legal permanent residence has ranged from 2,270 in FY '97 to 4,400 in FY '10. The cumulative total of admissions to Nebraska between fiscal years 1997 and 2010 was 27,290 immigrants, this included new arrivals and persons who adjusted their status.<sup>14</sup> The charts in this report show recent immigrant admissions and cumulative immigrant admissions data since 1997.

Based on data from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Refugee Resettlement, Nebraska received 5,415 refugees from FY' 2000 to FY' 2010, with 818 arriving in FY' 2010.<sup>15</sup>

## Introduction

Nebraska's racial and ethnic diversity increases with the growth of minority populations. This fact book shows a profile of Nebraska's minority population growth. It also provides a data source for population based disease prevention and health promotion programs.

### **Race and Ethnicity in the United States Census**

Race and ethnicity as defined by the United States Census Bureau and the Federal Office of Management and Budget (OMB) are self-identification data items in which residents choose the race or races with which they most closely identify, and indicate whether or not they are of Hispanic or Latino origin (ethnicity).

The racial classifications used by the U.S. Census Bureau adhere to the October 30, 1997, Federal Register Notice entitled "Revisions to the Standards for the Classification of Federal Data on Race and Ethnicity" issued by the OMB. The OMB requires five minimum categories (White, Black or African American, American Indian and Alaska Native, Asian, and Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander) for race. The race categories are described below with a sixth category, "some other race," added with OMB approval. In addition to the five race groups, the OMB also states that respondents should be offered the option of selecting one or more races. The following definitions are provided by OMB and the U.S. Census Bureau to identify race.

**White.** A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Europe, the Middle East, or North Africa. It includes people who indicate their race as "White" or report entries such as "Irish," "German," "Italian," "Lebanese," "Near Easterner," "Arab," or "Polish."

**Black or African American.** A person having origins in any of the Black racial groups of Africa. It includes people who indicate their race as "Black," "African American" or "Negro," or provide written entries such as "African American," "Afro American," "Kenyan," "Nigerian" or "Haitian."

**American Indian and Alaska Native.** A person having origins in any of the original peoples of North and South America (including Central America) and who maintain tribal affiliation or community attachment.

**Asian.** A person having origins in any of the original peoples of the Far East, Southeast Asia, or the Indian subcontinent, including, for example, Cambodia, China, India, Japan, Korea, Malaysia, Pakistan, the Philippine Islands, Thailand and Vietnam. It includes "Asian Indian," "Chinese," "Filipino," "Korean," "Japanese," "Vietnamese" and "Other Asian."

**Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander.** A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa or other Pacific Islands. It includes people who indicate their race as "Native Hawaiian," "Guamanian" or "Chamorro," "Samoaan" and "Other Pacific Islander."

**Some other race.** Includes all other responses not included in the "White," "Black or African American," "American Indian and Alaska Native," "Asian" and "Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander" race categories described above. Respondents providing write-in entries such as multi-racial, mixed, inter-racial, or a Hispanic/Latino group (for example, "Mexican," "Puerto Rican," or "Cuban") in the "Some other race" write-in space are included in this category. Estimates for years after 2000 reflect an allocation of this category among the other categories.

**Two or more races.** People may have chosen to provide two or more races either by checking two or more race response check boxes, by providing multiple write-in responses, or by some combination of check boxes and write-in responses.

Race and ethnicity were considered separate and distinct identities, with Hispanic origin asked as a separate question. Thus, in addition to their race or races, all respondents are categorized by membership in one of two ethnicities: Hispanic or Latino, and non-Hispanic or Latino. Percentages for the various race categories add up to 100 percent, and should not be combined with the Hispanic percent.

**Hispanic or Latino.** A person having origins in any of the original peoples of Cuba, Mexico, Puerto Rico, South or Central America or other Spanish culture or origin regardless of race. People who identify their origin as "Spanish," "Hispanic," or "Latino" may be of any race.

## **Data Sources**

The findings presented in this fact book are based on the U.S. Census Bureau 2000 Census, 2010 Census, American Community Survey (ACS), and other resources.

The ACS is a large, continuous demographic survey conducted by the U.S. Census Bureau that provides accurate and up-to-date profiles of America's communities every year. The survey produces yearly demographic, social, economic, and housing data that can be compared across states, communities, and population groups.

We should use caution when we utilize ACS data. The ACS provides critical information about the characteristics of local communities and is not designed to count the population. We should use other sources for population counts, such as 2000 census, 2010 census and the U.S. Census Bureau's Population Estimates Program. We used the 2010 ACS population estimates in this reference manual because that is the latest data available for the Nebraska foreign born population .

## Comparability

Data on race in the 2000 census are not directly comparable with data from the 1990 census or earlier census counts. Prior to the 2000 census, race was asked in several different ways . The most significant difference was that respondents were given the option of selecting one or more race categories to indicate their racial identities. There are 15 check box response categories and 3 write-in areas on the 2000 census questionnaire, compared with 16 check-box response categories and 2 write-in areas in 1990. The three separate identifiers for the American Indian and Alaska Native populations (American Indian, Eskimo, or Aleut) used earlier have been combined into one category - - American Indian or Alaska Native. The Asian and Pacific Islander category has been split into two categories Asian or Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander.

The data on race in the estimates subsequent to the 2010 census differ from the 2010 census population estimate data in that respondents reporting "some other race" have been allocated to the other five categories. Caution must be used when interpreting changes in the racial composition of Nebraska's population over time.

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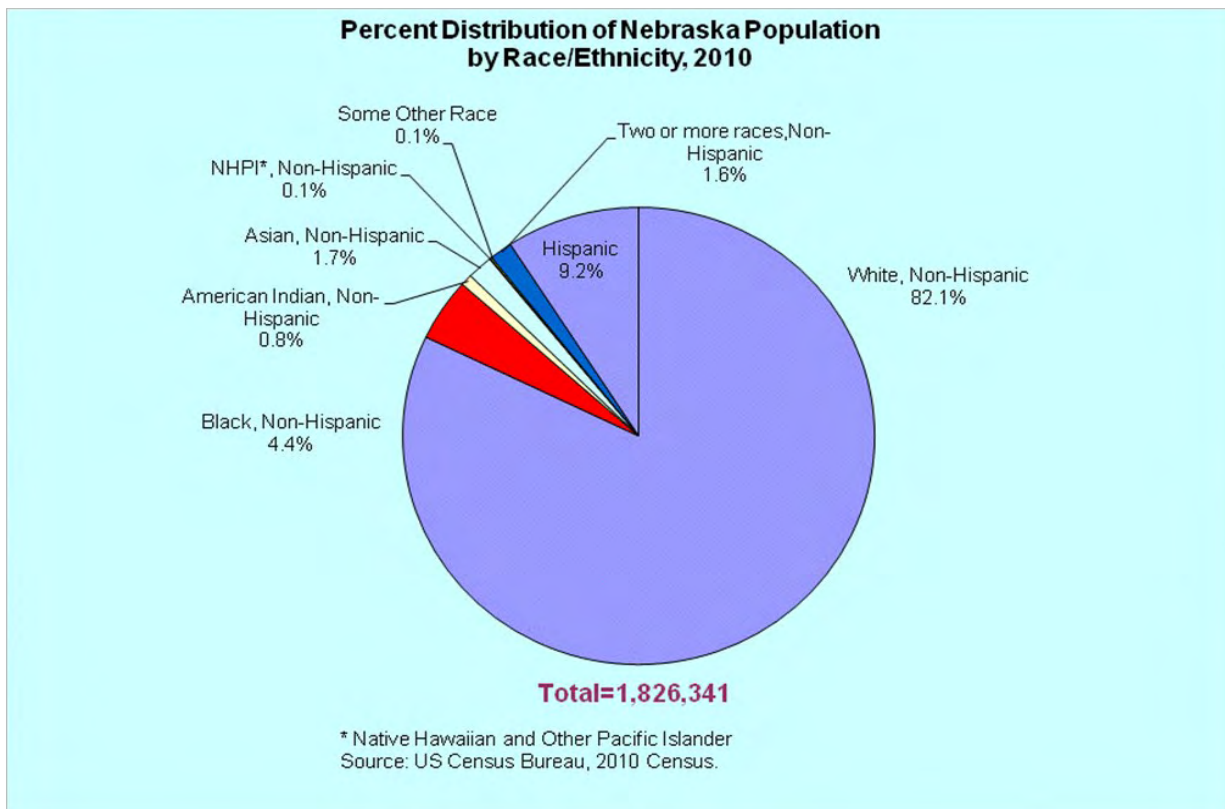






## Nebraska Population Distribution

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## Nebraska Population Distribution 18 years and over

Almost 99% of the population identifies as one race. Of those who identify as one race, but could also be Hispanic, 88.5% are white, 4% are African American, and almost 2% are Asian. Approximately 7% of the population 18 years and older are Hispanic, leaving almost 93% of the population non-Hispanic. Of those who are non-Hispanic, 4% are African American, 1.7% are Asian, .7% are American Indian.

Subject	Total		18 years and over	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
<b>POPULATION</b>				
Total population	1,826,341	100.0	1,367,120	100.0
<b>RACE</b>				
One Race	1,786,831	97.8	1,350,091	98.8
White	1,572,838	86.1	1,210,078	88.5
Black or African American	82,885	4.5	56,024	4.1
American Indian and Alaska Native	18,427	1.0	11,531	0.8
Asian	32,293	1.8	23,654	1.7
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	1,279	0.1	881	0.1
Some Other Race	79,109	4.3	47,923	3.5
Two or More Races	39,510	2.2	17,029	1.2
<b>HISPANIC OR LATINO AND RACE</b>				
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	167,405	9.2	98,221	7.2
Not Hispanic or Latino	1,658,936	90.8	1,268,899	92.8
One race	1,630,510	89.3	1,256,723	91.9
White, non-Hispanic	1,499,753	82.1	1,166,956	85.4
Black or African American, non-Hispanic	80,959	4.4	54,981	4.0
American Indian and Alaska Native, non-Hispanic	14,797	0.8	9,637	0.7
Asian, non-Hispanic	31,919	1.7	23,417	1.7
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander, non-Hispanic	966	0.1	686	0.1
Some Other Race, non-Hispanic	2,116	0.1	1,046	0.1
Two or More Races, non-Hispanic	28,426	1.6	12,176	0.9

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2010 Census.

## Nebraska Population Distribution : Combinations of Two Races

Race	Total		Not Hispanic or Latino	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
<b>Total population</b>	1,826,341	100.0	1,658,936	100.0
<b>One Race</b>	1,786,831	97.8	1,630,510	98.3
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<b>Two or More Races</b>	39,510	2.2	28,426	1.7
<b>Two Races</b>	36,860	2.0	26,547	1.6
<b>White; Black or African American</b>	11,225	0.6	10,474	0.6
<b>White; American Indian and Alaska Native</b>	7,587	0.4	6,455	0.4
<b>White; Asian</b>	6,108	0.3	5,804	0.3
<b>White; Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander</b>	532	0.0	467	0.0
<b>White; Some Other Race</b>	6,937	0.4	450	0.0
<b>Black or African American; American Indian and Alaska Native</b>	1,317	0.1	1,201	0.1
<b>Black or African American; Asian</b>	442	0.0	414	0.0
<b>Black or African American; Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander</b>	106	0.0	96	0.0
<b>Black or African American; Some Other Race</b>	1,033	0.1	548	0.0
<b>American Indian and Alaska Native; Asian</b>	157	0.0	135	0.0
<b>American Indian and Alaska Native; Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander</b>	37	0.0	23	0.0
<b>American Indian and Alaska Native; Some Other Race</b>	536	0.0	33	0.0
<b>Asian; Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander</b>	245	0.0	227	0.0
<b>Asian; Some Other Race</b>	413	0.0	202	0.0
<b>Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander; Some Other Race</b>	185	0.0	18	0.0
<b>Three or more Races</b>	2,650	0.1	1,879	0.1

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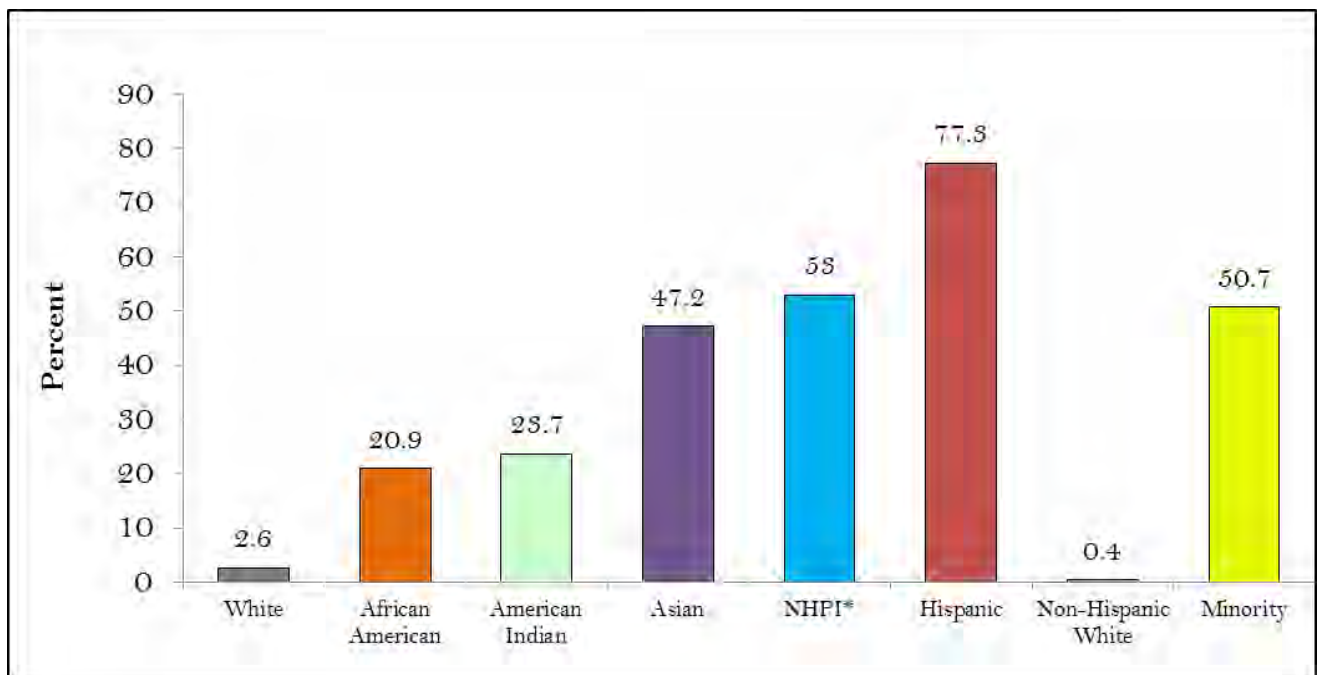
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**Nebraska Population by Race and Ethnicity (all ages): 2000 and 2010**

Race/Ethnicity	Population* Apr.1,2000	% Population (2000)	Population 2010	% Population (2011)	Change (00-10)	% Change (00-10)
<b>Nebraska Total</b>	1,711,263	100.0	1,826,341	100.0		6.7
<b>White Alone</b>	1,533,261	89.6	1,572,838	86.1	39,577	2.6
<b>African American Alone</b>	68,541	4.0	82,885	4.5	14,344	20.9
<b>American Indian or Alaska Native Alone</b>	14,896	0.9	18,427	1.0	3,531	23.7
<b>Asian Alone</b>	21,931	1.3	32,293	1.8	10,362	47.2
<b>NHPI**alone</b>	836	-	1,279	0.1	443	53.0
<b>Hispanic</b>	94,425	5.5	167,405	9.2	72,980	77.3
<b>White Non-Hispanic</b>	1,494,494	87.3	1,499,753	82.1	5,259	0.4
<b>Minority Population</b>	216,769	12.7	326,588	17.9	109,819	50.7

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000 Redistricting Data (Public Law 94-171) Summary File, and 2010 Census Redistricting Data (Public Law 94-171).Summary File. \*\* NHPI: Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2010 Census and 2000 Census.

\*Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander

## Minority Population Change: Hispanic and Race Alone Or In Combination

Race/Ethnicity	Population 2000	Percent Population (2000)	Population 2010	Percent Population (2010)	Change (00-10)	Percent Change (00-10)
<b>HISPANIC OR LATINO AND RACE</b>						
Total population	1711263	100	1826341	100	115078	6.7
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	94425	5.5	167405	9.2	72980	77.3
<b>Not Hispanic or Latino</b>	1616838	94.5	1658936	90.8	42098	2.6
<b>One Race</b>						
White, non-Hispanic	1494494	87.3	1499753	82.1	5259	0.4
Black or African American, non-Hispanic	67537	3.9	80959	4.4	13422	19.9
American Indian and Alaska Native, non-Hispanic	13460	0.8	14797	0.8	1337	9.9
Asian, non-Hispanic	21677	1.3	31919	1.7	10242	47.2
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander, non-Hispanic	647	-	966	0.1	319	49.3
Some Other Race, non-Hispanic	1327	0.1	2116	0.1	789	59.5
<b>Two or More Races</b>	17696	1	28426	1.6	10730	60.6
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Total population	1711263	100	1826341	100	115078	6.7
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<b>Not Hispanic or Latino</b>	1616838	94.5	1658936	90.8	42098	2.6
White, non-Hispanic*	1509967	88.2	1525184	83.5	15217	1
Black or African American, non-Hispanic*	74184	4.3	95189	5.2	21005	28.3
American Indian and Alaska Native, non-Hispanic*	19741	1.2	23945	1.3	4204	21.3
Asian, non-Hispanic*	26159	1.5	39398	2.2	13239	50.6
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander, non-Hispanic*	1387	0.1	2128	0.1	741	53.4
Some Other Race, non-Hispanic*	4306	0.3	3567	0.2	-739	-17.2

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2010 Census.

Note: Alone or in Combination

## Nebraska Minority Population Change: 18 Years and Over

### Minority Population Change

Race/Ethnicity	Population 2000	Percent Population (2000)	Population 2010	Percent Population (2010)	Change (00-10)	Percent Change (00-10)
<b>RACE</b>						
Total population	1261021	100	1367120	100	106099	8.4
One Race	1249783	99.1	1350091	98.8	100308	8
White	1149984	91.2	1210078	88.5	60094	5.2
Black or African American	44352	3.5	56024	4.1	11672	26.3
American Indian and Alaska Native	8956	0.7	11531	0.8	2575	28.8
Asian	16125	1.3	23654	1.7	7529	46.7
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	620	-	881	0.1	261	42.1
Some Other Race	29746	2.4	47923	3.5	18177	61.1
Two or More Races	11238	0.9	17029	1.2	5791	51.5
<b>HISPANIC OR LATINO AND RACE</b>						
Total population	1261021	100	1367120	100	106099	8.4
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	57207	4.5	98221	7.2	41014	71.7
Not Hispanic or Latino	1203814	95.5	1268899	92.8	65085	5.4
One Race	1195443	94.8	1256723	91.9	61280	5.1
White	1126368	89.3	1166956	85.4	40588	3.6
Black or African American	43823	3.5	54981	4	11158	25.5
American Indian and Alaska Native	8227	0.7	9637	0.7	1410	17.1
Asian	15956	1.3	23417	1.7	7461	46.8
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	485	-	686	0.1	201	41.4
Some Other Race	584	-	1046	0.1	462	79.1
Two or More Races	8371	0.7	12176	0.9	3805	45.5

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2010 Census.

## Projected Minority Population

In the mid-1990s, the United States Census Bureau's projections for the state of Nebraska's minority populations were expected to reach a high by the year 2025 of 14.4% of the total population. <sup>3</sup> In 2005, 20 years ahead of those projections, the racial ethnic minority population of Nebraska was estimated to be 14.6%. It was also estimated that the number of Hispanic Americans in Nebraska would reach approximately 111,000 by 2025,<sup>4</sup> although the Hispanic population reached 133,832 by 2007, 20.6% more than the U.S. Census Bureau's 1995 projection. Based on the U.S. Census Bureau projections, the trend in racial and ethnic minority population growth will continue for the foreseeable future. It has been estimated the White population is expected to increase 7% during the 2005-2025 period, while the Asian/PI populations are expected to increase 45%, the American Indian or Alaska Native population by 39%, and the Black/ African American population by 33%. <sup>5</sup>



**Projected populations by Race/Ethnicity: 1995-2025**

(Numbers in thousands)	1995	2000	2005	2015	2025
<b>Nebraska Total</b>	1,637	1,705	1,761	1,850	1,930
<b>Non-Hispanic White alone</b>	1,496	1,540	1,572	1,619	1,653
<b>Black alone</b>	64	72	82	95	109
<b>Asian/PI Alone</b>	17	23	29	35	42
<b>American Indian or Alaska Native alone</b>	14	16	18	22	25
<b>Hispanic</b>	50	61	72	89	111
<b>Minority Population</b>	141	165	189	231	277

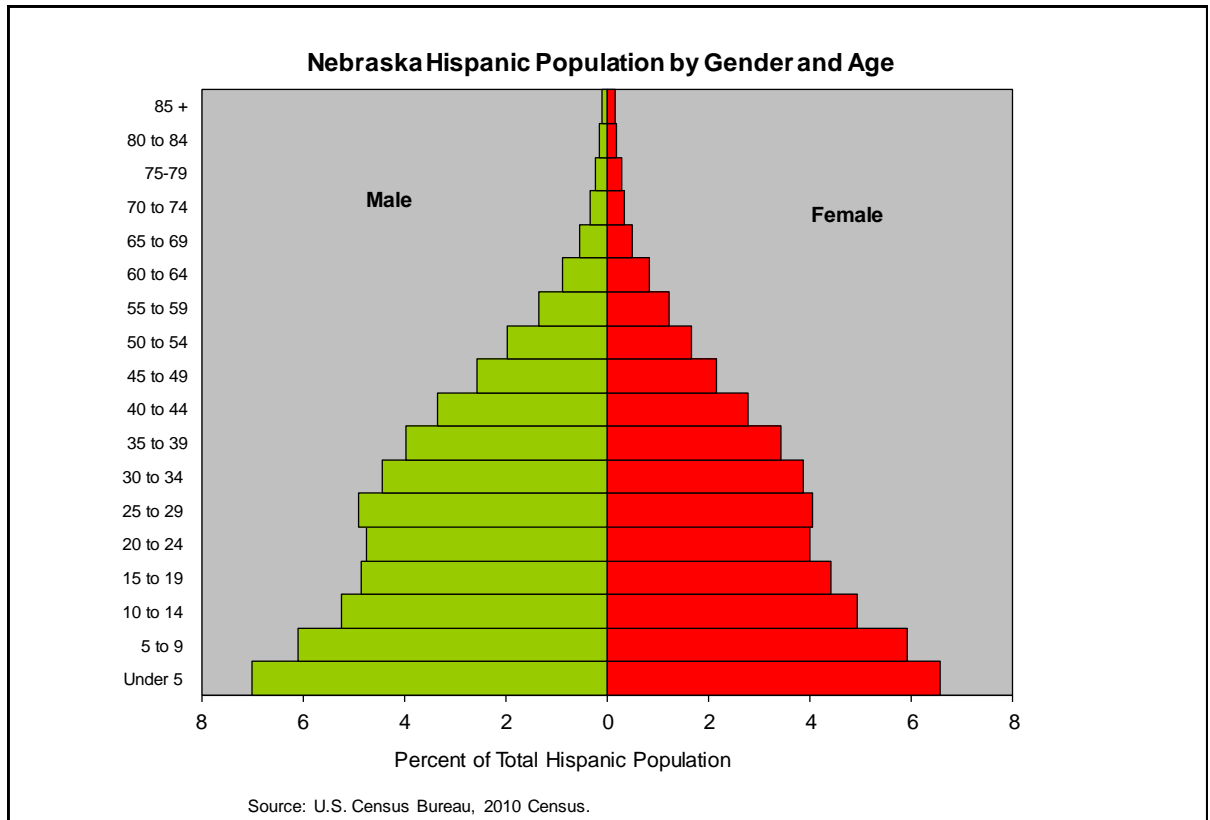
(Percent of total population)	1995	2000	2005	2015	2025
<b>Non-Hispanic White alone</b>	91.4	90.3	89.3	87.5	85.6
<b>Black alone</b>	3.9	4.2	4.7	5.1	5.6
<b>Asian/PI Alone</b>	1.0	1.3	1.6	1.9	2.2
<b>American Indian or Alaska Native alone</b>	0.9	0.9	1.0	1.2	1.3
<b>Hispanic</b>	3.1	3.6	4.1	4.8	5.8
<b>Minority Population</b>	8.6	9.7	10.7	12.5	14.4

Source: Projected State Populations, by Sex, Race, and Hispanic Origin: 1995-2025 , U.S. Census Bureau, Released 1996

## Nebraska Minority Groups: Hispanic or Latinos

Nebraska has a rapidly growing minority population comprised increasingly by persons of Hispanic/Latino origin. Hispanics are the fastest-growing minority group in Nebraska. The Hispanic/Latino population increased from 36,969 in 1990 to 94,425 in 2000, to 167,405 in the year 2010. <sup>6</sup> In Nebraska, the Hispanic population increased 352.8% between 1990 and 2010, 155.4% between 1990-2000, and 77.3% between 2000 and 2010. In 1990, the population of Nebraska was 1,578,385. Of that number, the Hispanic population accounted for 2.3%. In 2000, the population of Nebraska was 1,711,263 and the Hispanic population accounted for 5.5%. In 2010, the population of Nebraska had risen to 1,826,341 and the Hispanic population accounted for 9.2% of Nebraska's total population.

Compared with the non-Hispanic White population, Hispanics had a larger proportion of young people and a smaller proportion of older people. In 2010, about one-third (36%) of Hispanics were under 15 years old, about 89% of Hispanics were younger than 45, while only 3% of Hispanics were 65 and older.<sup>7</sup> In the same year, 18.3% of non-Hispanic Whites were under 15 years old, 56% were younger than 45, and 15.6% were 65 and older.





## Hispanic Population Distribution

According to the 2010 U.S. Census, there were 167,405 Hispanics in Nebraska. This number represented approximately 9.2% of the total Nebraska population.

Subject	Number	Percent
<b>RACE</b>		
<b>Total Nebraska population</b>	1,826,341	
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	167,405	9.2
Not Hispanic or Latino	1,658,936	90.8
<b>Hispanic or Latino By Type</b>		
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	167,405	9.2
Mexican	128,060	7.0
Puerto Rican	3,242	0.2
Cuban	2,152	0.1
Dominican (Dominican Republic)	358	0.0
Central American (excludes Mexican)	17,242	0.9
Costa Rican	166	0.0
Guatemalan	8,616	0.5
Honduran	1,547	0.1
Nicaraguan	347	0.0
Panamanian	398	0.0
Salvadoran	6,016	0.3
Other Central American	152	0.0
South American	2,824	0.2
Argentinean	243	0.0
Bolivian	86	0.0
Chilean	228	0.0
Colombian	974	0.1
Ecuadorian	233	0.0
Paraguayan	38	0.0
Peruvian	628	0.0
Uruguayan	24	0.0
Venezuelan	319	0.0
Other South American	51	0.0
Other Hispanic or Latino	13,527	0.7
Spaniard	1,644	0.1
Spanish	1,373	0.1
Spanish American	63	0.0
All other Hispanic or Latino	10,447	0.6



## Nebraska Minority Groups: Asians

Asians were the third fastest-growing minority group, with a 47.26% population increase during the 2000-2010 period.<sup>8</sup> In 2000, the Asian population accounted for 1.3% of the total Nebraska population, and accounted for 1.8% of the total Nebraska population in 2010.

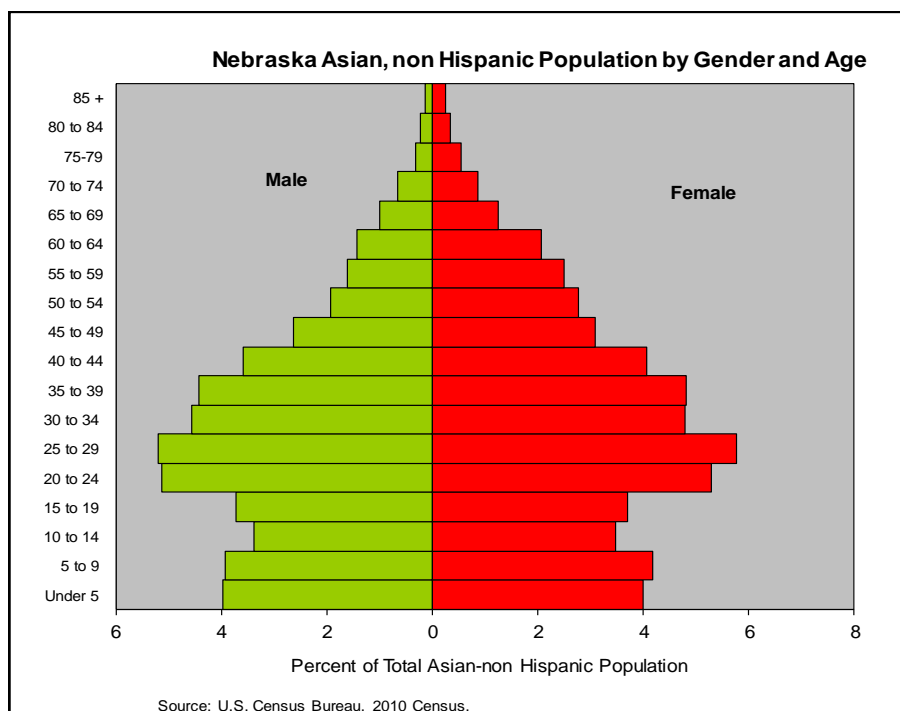
Among Asians in Nebraska, Vietnamese Nebraskans made up the largest group with a population of 7,910 or 24.5% of the Asian-alone population.<sup>9</sup> Asian Indian were the second-largest group, with a population of 5,903 or 18.3% of the Asian-alone population. Chinese were the third-largest group, numbering 4,704 and accounting for nearly 14.6% of the population. These three groups – Vietnamese, Asian Indians and Chinese – accounted for more than half (57.4%) of the Asian-alone population.

**Nebraska Asian Population by Detailed Group, 2010**

Detailed group	Population	Percent
Vietnamese	7,910	24.5%
Asian Indian	5,903	18.3%
Chinese	4,704	14.6%
Filipino	2,741	8.49%
Korean	2,678	8.3%
Bhutanese	2,164	6.7%
Japanese	1,538	4.8%
Other Asian	4,655	14.3%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2010 Census.

In 2010, about 23% of Asians were under 15 years old, about 77% of Asians were younger than 45, while only 5% of Asians were 65 and older.



## Distribution of Nebraska Asian Population

According to the U.S. Census Bureau, there were 32,293 Asians in Nebraska in 2010. This number represented approximately 1.8% of the total Nebraska population.

Subject	Number	Percent
<b>RACE</b>		
Total Nebraska population	1,826,341	
<b>One Race</b>		
Asians	32,293	1.8
<b>Two or More Races</b>		
Asians; White	6,108	0.3
Asians; Black or African American	442	0.0
Asians; American Indians and Alaska Native	157	0.0
Asians; Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	245	0.0
Asians; Some Other Race	413	0.0
<b>Asians alone or in combination *</b>		
Asians alone	32,293	1.8
Asians in combination	8,322	0.5
<b>HISPANIC OR LATINO</b>		
Asians alone, Hispanic or Latino	374	0.0
Asians alone, Not Hispanic or Latino	31,919	1.7

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2010 Census.

Notes: \* The race concept alone or in combination includes people who reported a single race alone and people who reported that race in combination with one or more of the other race groups. The "alone or in combination" concept, therefore, represents the maximum number of people who reported as that race group, either alone or in combination with another race(s). The sum of the six individual race "alone or in combination" categories may add to more than the total population because people who reported more than one race are tallied in each race category.



## Nebraska Minority Groups: Black or African Americans

According to the U.S. Census, there were 82,885 African Americans in Nebraska in 2010. This number represented approximately 4.5% of the total Nebraska population. Nearly 5.4% of the total Nebraska population was African American alone or in combination.

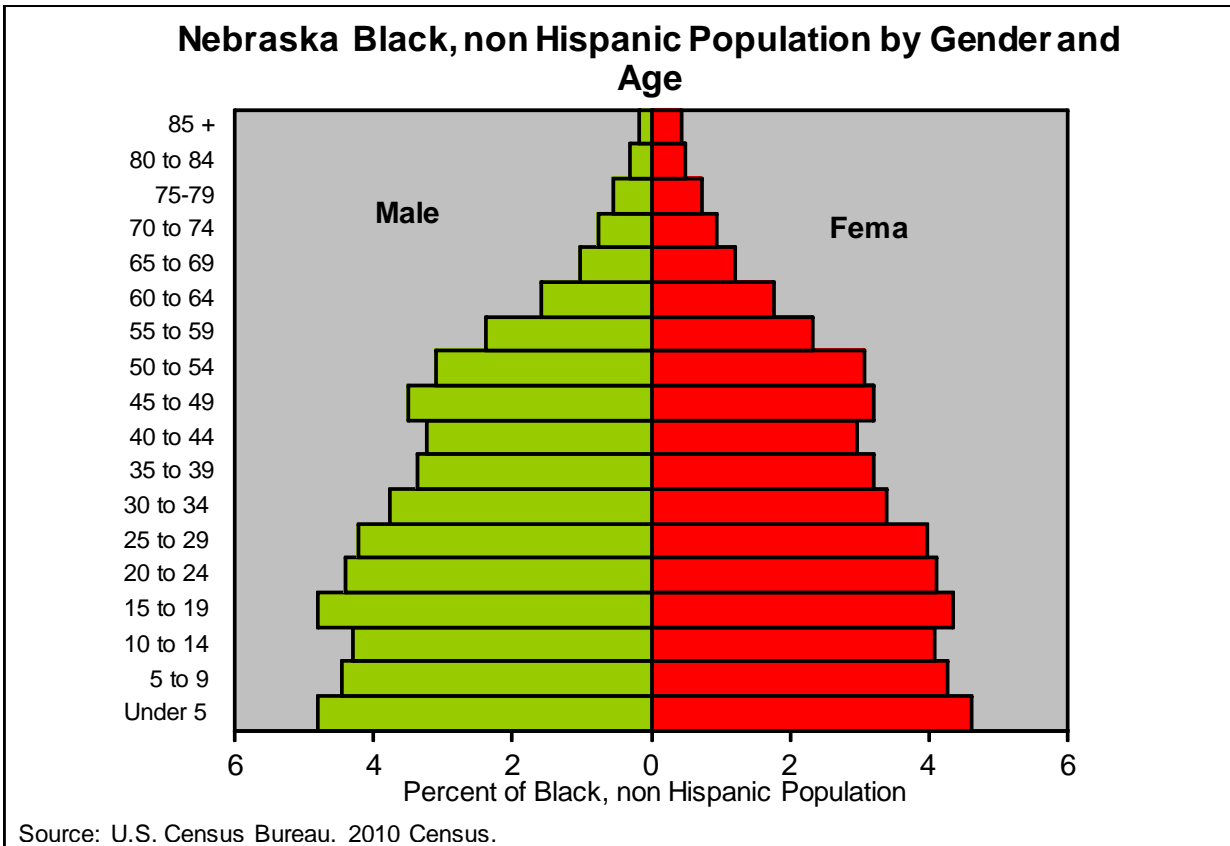
**Distribution of Nebraska Black or African American Population, 2010**

Subject	Number	Percent
<b>RACE</b>		
Total Nebraska population	1,826,341	
<b>One Race</b>		
Black or African American	82,885	4.5
<b>Two or More Races</b>		
Black or African American; White	11,225	0.6
Black or African American; American Indian & Alaska Native	1,317	0.1
Black or African American; Asian	442	0.0
African American; Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	106	0.0
Black or African American; Some Other Race	1,033	0.1
<b>Black or African American alone or in combination *</b>		
Black or African American alone	82,885	4.5
Black or African American in combination	16,074	0.9
<b>HISPANIC OR LATINO</b>		
African American, Hispanic or Latino	3770	0.2
African American, Not Hispanic or Latino	80,959	4.4

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2010 Census.

Notes: \* The race concept alone or in combination includes people who reported a single race alone and people who reported that race in combination with one or more of the other race groups. The "alone or in combination" concept, therefore, represents the maximum number of people who reported as that race group, either alone or in combination with another race(s). The sum of the six individual race "alone or in combination" categories may add to more than the total population because people who reported more than one race are tallied in each race category.

In 2010, about 26.6% of Black or African Americans were under 15 years old, about 72.4% of Black or African Americans were younger than 45, while only 6.6% of Black or African Americans were 65 and older. In the same year, 18.3% of non-Hispanic Whites were under 15 years old, 56% were younger than 45, and 15.6% were 65 and older.







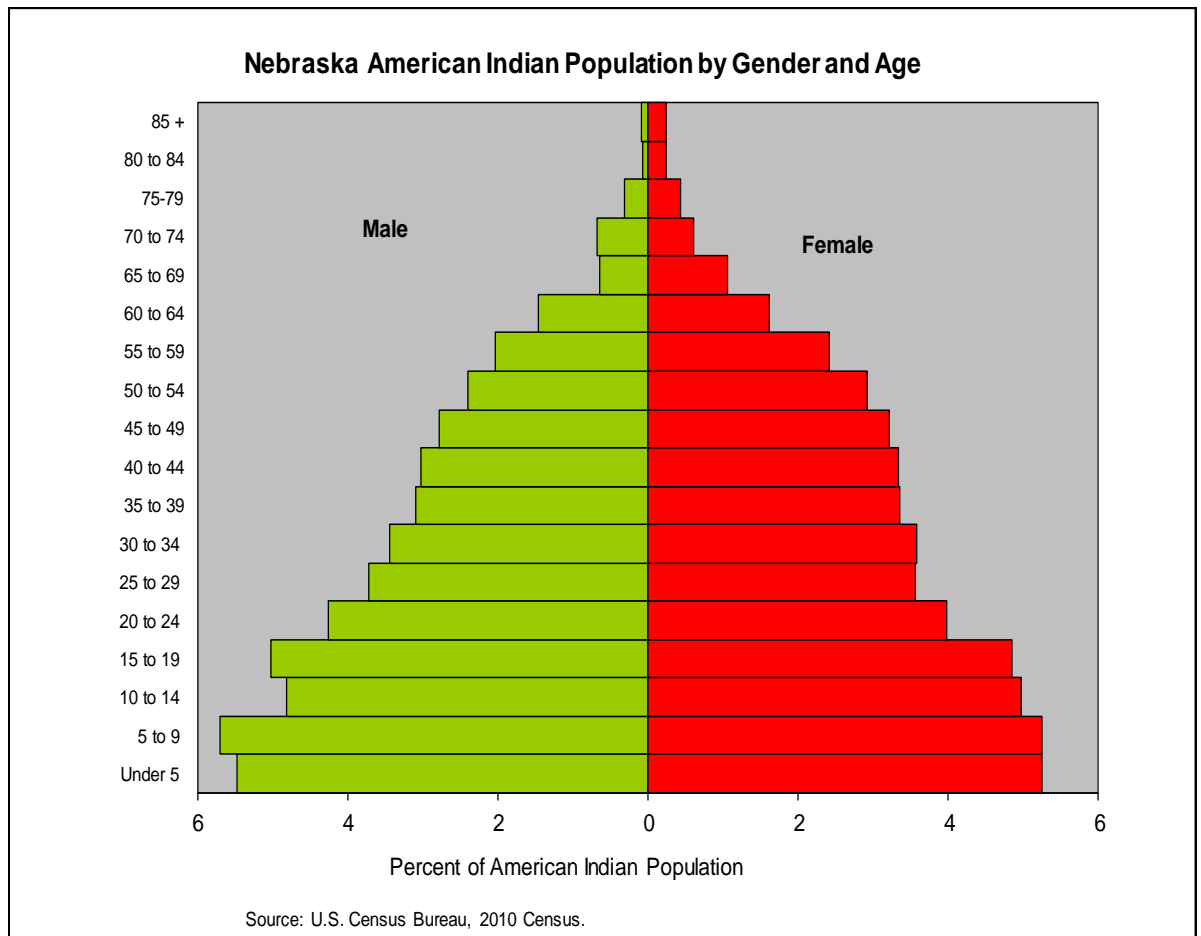
## Nebraska Minority Groups: American Indians

According to the U.S. Census, there were 18,427 American Indians in Nebraska in 2010. This number represented approximately 1.0% of the total Nebraska population. Nearly 1.6% of the total Nebraska population was American Indian alone or in combination.

Subject	Number	Percent
<b>RACE</b>	1,826,341	
Total Nebraska population		
<b>One Race</b>		
American Indians and Alaska Native	18,427	1.0
<b>Two or More Races</b>		
American Indians and Alaska Native ;White	7,587	0.4
American Indians and Alaska Native; Black or African American	1,317	0.1
American Indians and Alaska Native; Asian	157	0.0
American Indians and Alaska Native; Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	37	0.0
American Indians and Alaska Native; Some Other Race	536	0.0
<b>American Indians and Alaska Native alone or in combination*</b>	29,816	1.6
American Indians and Alaska Native alone	18,427	1.0
American Indians and Alaska Native in combination	11,389	0.6
<b>HISPANIC OR LATINO</b>		
American Indians and Alaska Native alone, Hispanic or Latino	3,630	0.2
American Indians and Alaska Native alone, Not Hispanic or Latino	14,797	0.8

Source: Population Division, U.S. Census Bureau, 2010 Census

In 2010, about 31.5% of American Indians were under 15 years old, about 76.7% of American Indians were younger than 45, while only 4.4% of American Indians were 65 and older. In the same year, 18.3% of non-Hispanic Whites were under 15 years old, 56% were younger than 45, and 15.6% were 65 and older.





## Nebraska Gender and Age Characteristics

Compared with the non-Hispanic White population, Nebraska's minority population had a larger proportion of young people and a smaller proportion of older people. In 2010, nearly one-third (33.2%) of the minority population were under 15 years old, about 80.6% were younger than 45, while only 4.1% were 65 and older. In the same year, 18.3% of non-Hispanic Whites were under 15 years old, 56% were younger than 45, and 15.6% were 65 and older.

**Nebraska Minority Population By Age and Sex, 2010**

Age	Males	Percent	Females	Percent	Total	Percent
<b>Under 5</b>	20790	12.4	19811	12.4	40601	12.4
<b>5 to 9</b>	18394	11.0	17908	11.2	36302	11.1
<b>10 to 14</b>	16074	9.6	15382	9.7	31456	9.6
<b>15 to 19</b>	15603	9.3	14487	9.1	30090	9.2
<b>20 to 24</b>	15001	9.0	13610	8.5	28611	8.8
<b>25 to 29</b>	14832	8.9	13435	8.4	28267	8.7
<b>30 to 34</b>	13257	7.9	12133	7.6	25390	7.8
<b>35 to 39</b>	11864	7.1	11027	6.9	22891	7.0
<b>40 to 44</b>	10345	6.2	9413	5.9	19758	6.0
<b>45 to 49</b>	8881	5.3	8230	5.2	17111	5.2
<b>50 to 54</b>	7223	4.3	7057	4.4	14280	4.4
<b>55 to 59</b>	5342	3.2	5454	3.4	10796	3.3
<b>60 to 64</b>	3672	2.2	4007	2.5	7679	2.4
<b>65 to 69</b>	2285	1.4	2565	1.6	4850	1.5
<b>70 to 74</b>	1615	1.0	1804	1.1	3419	1.0
<b>75-79</b>	1019	0.6	1383	0.9	2402	0.7
<b>80 to 84</b>	602	0.4	912	0.6	1514	0.5
<b>85 +</b>	396	0.2	775	0.5	1171	0.4
<b>Total</b>	167195	100	159393	100	326588	100

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2010 Census.

## Nebraska Non-Hispanic White Population By Age and Sex, 2010

Age	Males	Percent	Females	Percent	Total	Percent
Under 5	46840	6.3	44467	5.8	91307	6.1
5 to 9	47494	6.4	45132	5.9	92626	6.2
10 to 14	46612	6.3	44638	5.9	91250	6.1
15 to 19	50430	6.8	48410	6.4	98840	6.6
20 to 24	51231	6.9	49434	6.5	100665	6.7
25 to 29	51059	6.9	49750	6.5	100809	6.7
30 to 34	45828	6.2	44882	5.9	90710	6.0
35 to 39	44179	6.0	43291	5.7	87470	5.8
40 to 44	45560	6.2	45159	5.9	90719	6.0
45 to 49	55290	7.5	56090	7.4	111380	7.4
50 to 54	57987	7.8	57968	7.6	115955	7.7
55 to 59	52726	7.1	54164	7.1	106890	7.1
60 to 64	43379	5.9	44432	5.8	87811	5.9
65 to 69	30771	4.2	33213	4.4	63984	4.3
70 to 74	23493	3.2	27380	3.6	50873	3.4
75-79	19187	2.6	24846	3.3	44033	2.9
80 to 84	14641	2.0	21653	2.8	36294	2.4
85 +	12394	1.7	25743	3.4	38137	2.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>739101</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>760652</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>1499753</b>	<b>100</b>

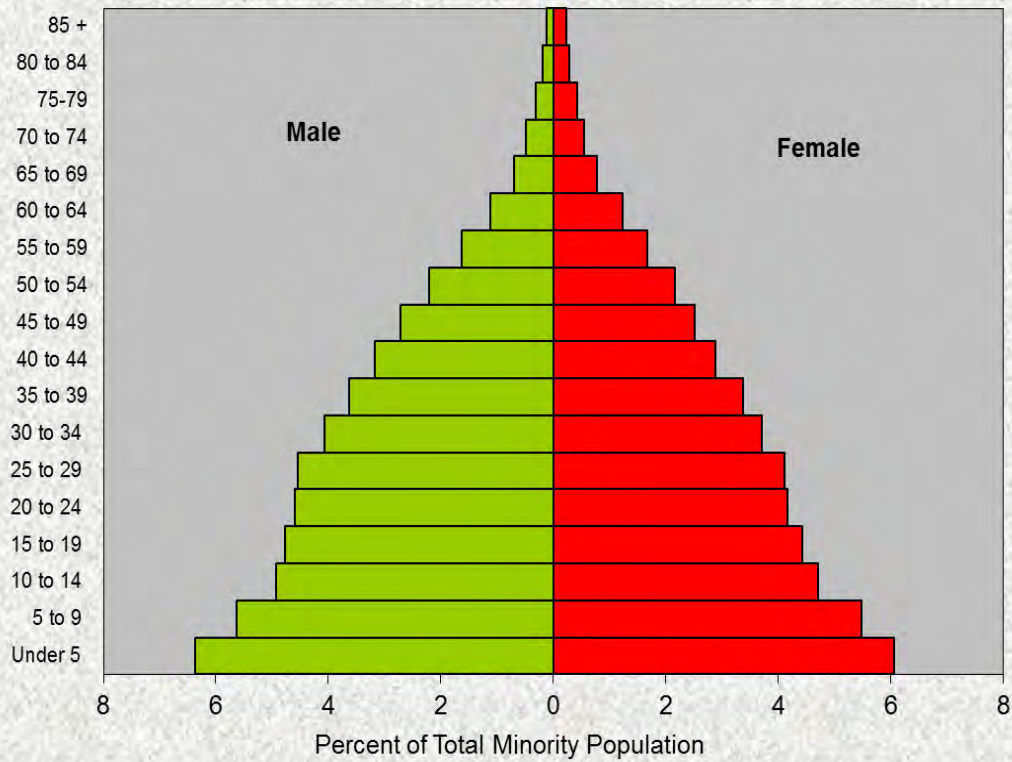
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2010 Census

## Median Age of the Population by Race and Ethnicity, 2010

	NE Total	White alone	African American Alone	American Indian or Alaska Native Alone	Asian Alone	Hispanic	White Alone, Not Hispanic
Male	35.0	37.5	27.9	24.1	28.5	23.3	38.5
Female	37.5	40.1	28.7	26.4	30.4	22.2	41.1
Both sexes	36.2	38.8	28.3	25.2	29.5	22.8	39.8

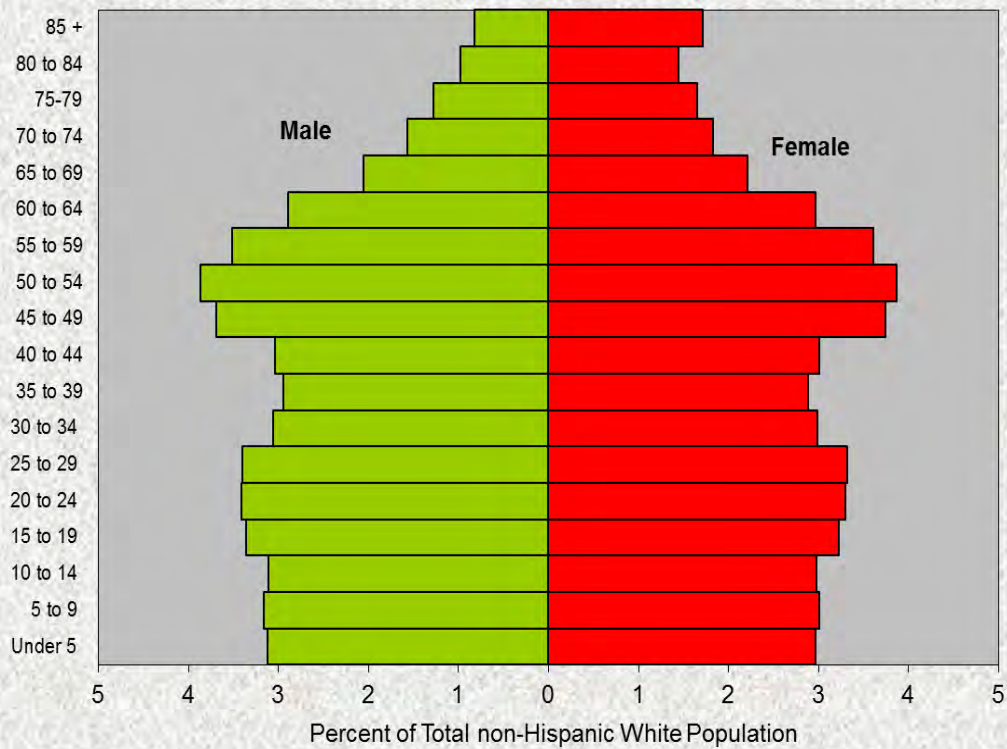
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Nebraska Minority Population by Gender and Age

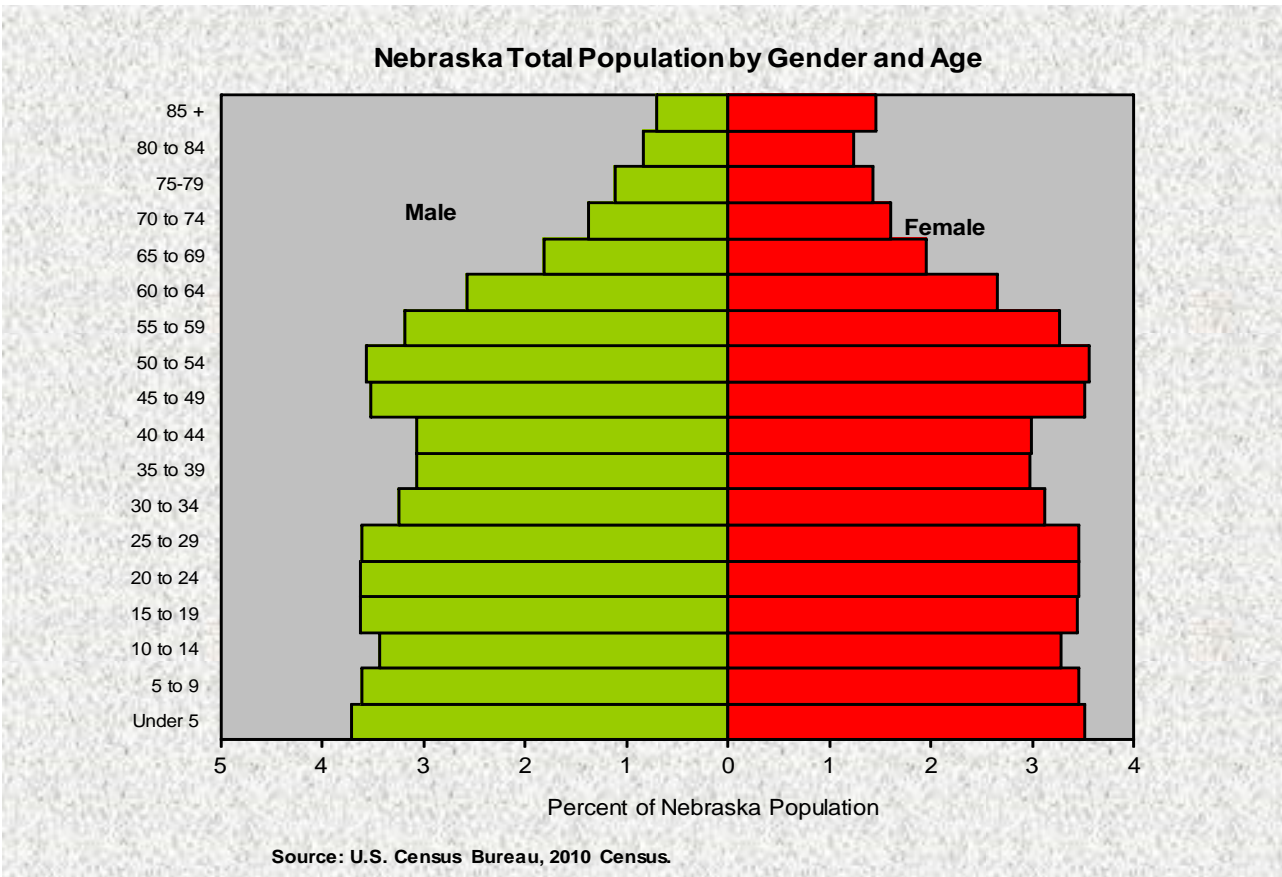


Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2010 Census.

Nebraska non-Hispanic White Population by Gender and Age



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2010 Census.

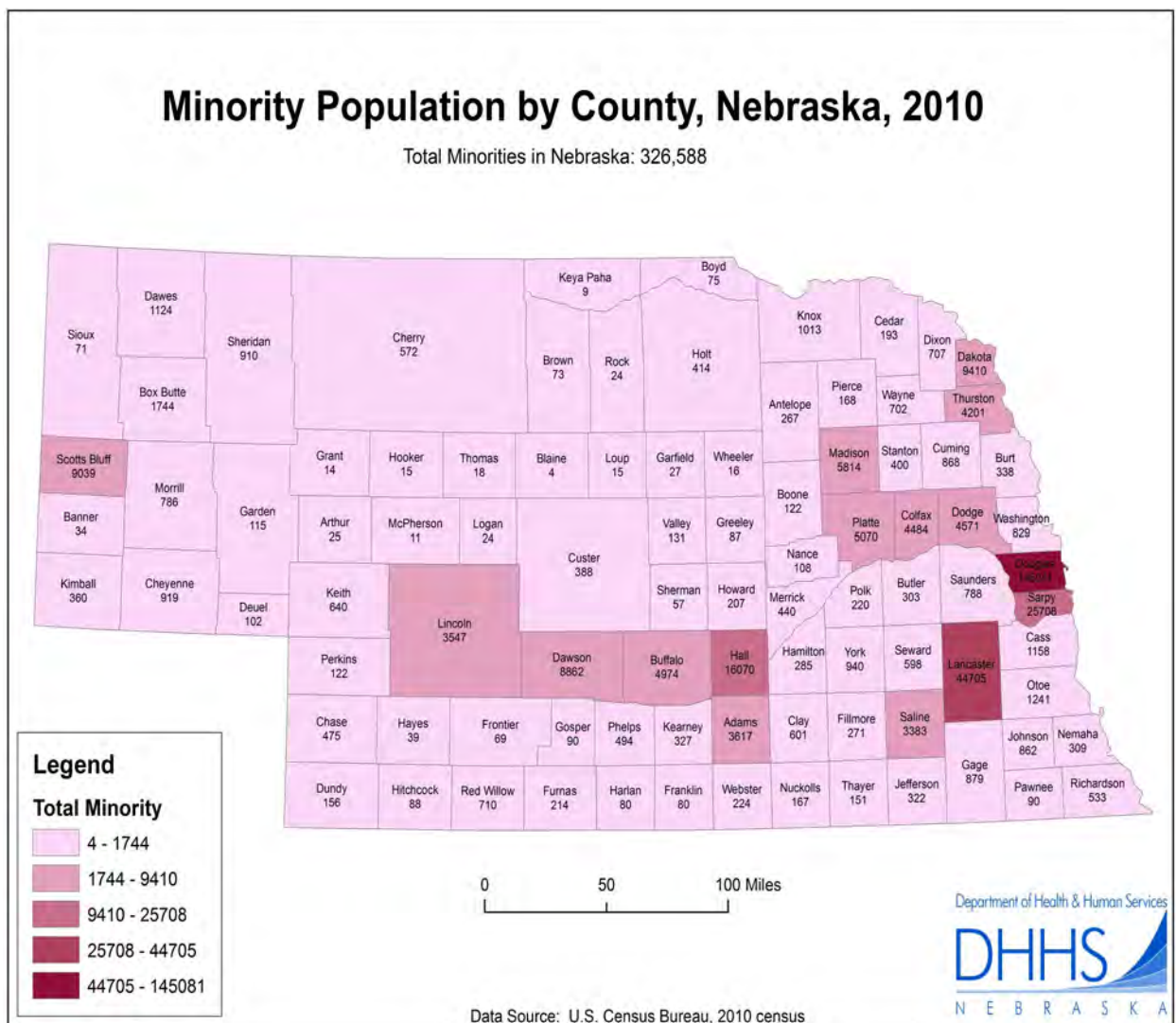


**Persons by Age and Sex, Nebraska 2010**

Age (Years)	Males	Percent	Females	Percent	Total	Percent
Under 18 years	235149	25.9	224072	24.4	459221	25.1
18 to 24 years	93320	10.3	89207	9.7	182527	10
25 to 34 years	124976	13.8	120200	13.1	245176	13.4
35 to 44 years	111948	12.4	108890	11.8	220838	12.1
45 to 54 years	129381	14.3	129345	14.1	258726	14.2
55 to 64 years	105119	11.6	108057	11.7	213176	11.7
65 to 74 years	58164	6.4	64962	7.1	123126	6.7
75 to 84 years	35449	3.9	48794	5.3	84243	4.6
85 years and over	12790	1.4	26518	2.9	39308	2.2

## County Minority Population

There is large variation in the geographic distribution of the racial and ethnic minority population across Nebraska. In 2010, Thurston, Dakota, Colfax, Dawson, Hall and Douglas Counties had some of the highest percentages of individuals who were racial/ethnic minorities. Percentages in these counties range from 25 to 60% minority, while Blaine, Keya Paha, Garfield, Rock, and Sherman Counties had some of the lowest percentages, ranging from 0.8% to 1.8%.<sup>10</sup> Additionally, in 2000, twenty-nine counties in Nebraska had minority populations of 5% or greater; by 2010, that number increased to 45 counties.



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2010 Population Estimates Program



### Minority Population by County in Nebraska, 2010

County	Total 2010 Population	2010 Minority Population	Percent Minority Population
Thurston County	6,940	4201	60.5
Dakota County	21,006	9410	44.8
Colfax County	10,515	4484	42.6
Dawson County	24,326	8862	36.4
Douglas County	517,110	145081	28.1
Hall County	58,607	16070	27.4
Scotts Bluff County	36,970	9039	24.4
Saline County	14,200	3383	23.8
Madison County	34,876	5814	16.7
Sheridan County	5,469	910	16.6
Johnson County	5,217	862	16.5
Sarpy County	158,840	25708	16.2
Platte County	32,237	5070	15.7
Lancaster County	285,407	44705	15.70
Morrill County	5,042	786	15.6
Box Butte County	11,308	1744	15.4
Dodge County	36,691	4571	12.5
Dawes County	9,182	1124	12.2
Chase County	3,966	475	12.0
Dixon County	6,000	707	11.8
Knox County	8,701	1013	11.6
Adams County	31,364	3617	11.5
Buffalo County	46,102	4974	10.8
Cherry County	5,713	572	10.0
Lincoln County	36,288	3547	9.8
Cuming County	9,139	868	9.5
Kimball County	3,821	360	9.4
Cheyenne County	9,998	919	9.2
Clay County	6,542	601	9.2
Otoe County	15,740	1241	7.9
Dundy County	2,008	156	7.8
Keith County	8,368	640	7.6
Wayne County	9,595	702	7.3
York County	13,665	940	6.9

**Minority Population by County, 2010 (cont.)**

County	Total 2010 Population	2010 Minority Population	Percent Minority Population
Stanton County	6,129	400	6.5
Red Willow County	11,055	710	6.4
Richardson County	8,363	533	6.4
Webster County	3,812	224	5.9
Merrick County	7,845	440	5.6
Garden County	2,057	115	5.6
Sioux County	1,311	71	5.4
Arthur County	460	25	5.4
Phelps County	9,188	494	5.4
Deuel County	1,941	102	5.3
Kearney County	6,489	327	5.0
Burt County	6,858	338	4.9
Banner County	690	34	4.9
Fillmore County	5,890	271	4.6
Cass County	25,241	1158	4.6
Gosper County	2,044	90	4.4
Furnas County	4,959	214	4.3
Jefferson County	7,547	322	4.3
Nemaha County	7,248	309	4.3
Perkins County	2,970	122	4.1
Washington County	20,234	829	4.1
Polk County	5,406	220	4.1
Hayes County	967	39	4.0
Holt County	10,435	414	4.0
Gage County	22,311	879	3.9
Antelope County	6,685	267	3.9
Saunders County	20,780	788	3.8
Nuckolls County	4,500	167	3.7
Butler County	8,395	303	3.6
Boyd County	2,099	75	3.6

**Minority Population by County, 2010 (cont.)**

<b>County</b>	<b>Total 2010 Population</b>	<b>2010 Minority Population</b>	<b>Percent Minority Population</b>
Seward County	16,750	598	3.6
Custer County	10,939	388	3.5
Greeley County	2,538	87	3.4
Howard County	6,274	207	3.3
Pawnee County	2,773	90	3.2
Logan County	763	24	3.1
Hamilton County	9,124	285	3.1
Valley County	4,260	131	3.1
Hitchcock County	2,908	88	3.0
Nance County	3,735	108	2.9
Thayer County	5,228	151	2.9
Thomas County	647	18	2.8
Frontier County	2,756	69	2.5
Franklin County	3,225	80	2.5
Loup County	632	15	2.4
Harlan County	3,423	80	2.3
Brown County	3,145	73	2.3
Pierce County	7,266	168	2.3
Grant County	614	14	2.3
Boone County	5,505	122	2.2
Cedar County	8,852	193	2.2
McPherson County	539	11	2.0
Hooker County	736	15	2.0
Wheeler County	818	16	2.0
Sherman County	3,152	57	1.8
Rock County	1,526	24	1.6
Garfield County	2,049	27	1.3
Keya Paha County	824	9	1.1
Blaine County	478	4	0.8
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,774,571</b>	<b>274,191</b>	<b>15.5%</b>

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2010.



### Minority Population Change by County in Nebraska, 2000-2010

County	April 1, 2000 Estimates Base	July 1, 2007 Estimates	Number Change	Percent Change
Chase County	168	475	307	182.7
Johnson County	321	862	541	168.5
Boyd County	29	75	46	158.6
Saline County	1347	3383	2,036	151.2
Webster County	90	224	134	148.9
Antelope County	109	267	158	145.0
Holt County	174	414	240	137.9
Polk County	96	220	124	129.2
Dodge County	2050	4571	2,521	123.0
Otoe County	574	1241	667	116.2
Gosper County	42	90	48	114.3
Nuckolls County	78	167	89	114.1
Wheeler County	8	16	8	100.0
Thomas County	9	18	9	100.0
Pawnee County	45	90	45	100.0
Platte County	2536	5070	2,534	99.9
Clay County	313	601	288	92.0
Merrick County	231	440	209	90.5
Saunders County	420	788	368	87.6
Wayne County	376	702	326	86.7
Garden County	62	115	53	85.5
Hall County	8716	16070	7,354	84.4
Washington County	467	829	362	77.5
Cedar County	110	193	83	75.5
York County	545	940	395	72.5
Dixon County	412	707	295	71.6
Franklin County	47	80	33	70.2
Buffalo County	2946	4974	2,028	68.8
Furnas County	127	214	87	68.5
Jefferson County	194	322	128	66.0
Red Willow County	428	710	282	65.9
Dawes County	688	1124	436	63.4
Sarpy County	15772	25708	9,936	63.0
Custer County	240	388	148	61.7
Custer	229	300	71	31.0%

**Minority Population Change by County in Nebraska, 2000-2010 (Cont.)**

County	April 1, 2000 Estimates Base	July 1, 2007 Estimates	Number Change	Percent Change
Kimball County	223	360	137	61.4
Howard County	129	207	78	60.5
Dakota County	5885	9410	3,525	59.9
Colfax County	2824	4484	1,660	58.8
Lancaster County	28224	44705	16,481	58.4
Boone County	78	122	44	56.4
Stanton County	257	400	143	55.6
Cheyenne County	595	919	324	54.5
Greeley County	57	87	30	52.6
Cass County	763	1158	395	51.8
Cherry County	379	572	193	50.9
Phelps County	329	494	165	50.2
Adams County	2416	3617	1,201	49.7
Hamilton County	191	285	94	49.2
Kearney County	223	327	104	46.6
Butler County	211	303	92	43.6
Douglas County	101057	145081	44,024	43.6
Seward County	419	598	179	42.7
Nemaha County	218	309	91	41.7
Madison County	4104	5814	1,710	41.7
Fillmore County	192	271	79	41.1
Harlan County	57	80	23	40.4
Sioux County	51	71	20	39.2
Lincoln County	2560	3547	987	38.6
Gage County	639	879	240	37.6
Dawson County	6619	8862	2,243	33.9
Thayer County	113	151	38	33.6
Burt County	253	338	85	33.6
Logan County	18	24	6	33.3
Cuming County	651	868	217	33.3
Arthur County	19	25	6	31.6
Keith County	489	640	151	30.9
Dundy County	121	156	35	28.9
Nance County	84	108	24	28.6
Morrill County	620	786	166	26.8

Minority Population Change by County in Nebraska, 2000-2010 (Cont.)

County	April 1, 2000 Estimates Base	July 1, 2007 Estimates	Number Change	Percent Change
Knox County	815	1013	198	24.3
Deuel County	84	102	18	21.4
Scotts Bluff County	7494	9039	1,545	20.6
Sheridan County	768	910	142	18.5
Pierce County	143	168	25	17.5
Box Butte County	1495	1744	249	16.7
Rock County	21	24	3	14.3
Richardson County	469	533	64	13.6
Valley County	116	131	15	12.9
Perkins County	110	122	12	10.9
Brown County	66	73	7	10.6
Hitchcock County	80	88	8	10.0
Frontier County	63	69	6	9.5
Grant County	13	14	1	7.7
Thurston County	3909	4201	292	7.5
Hayes County	38	39	1	2.6
Loup County	16	15	-1	-6.3
Hooker County	17	15	-2	-11.8
Sherman County	65	57	-8	-12.3
Garfield County	35	27	-8	-22.9
McPherson County	15	11	-4	-26.7
Banner County	50	34	-16	-32.0
Blaine County	7	4	-3	-42.9
Keya Paha County	42	9	-33	-78.6
<b>Nebraska</b>	<b>216769</b>	<b>326,588</b>	<b>109,819</b>	<b>50.7</b>

Source: Annual Estimates of the Population Sex and Race for Counties, U.S. Census Bureau, Released August 9, 2008





## Nebraska County Population Change, 2000-2010

County	July 1, 2007 Estimates	April 1, 2000 Estimates Base	Number Change	Percent Change
Sarpy County	122,595	158,840	36 245	29.6
Johnson County	4,488	5,217	729	16.2
Lancaster County	250,291	285,407	35 116	14.0
Douglas County	463,585	517,110	53 525	11.5
Hall County	53,534	58,607	5 073	9.5
Buffalo County	42,259	46,102	3 843	9.1
Washington County	18,780	20,234	1 454	7.7
Garfield County	1,902	2,049	147	7.7
Saunders County	19,830	20,780	950	4.8
Lincoln County	34,632	36,288	1 656	4.8
Cass County	24,334	25,241	907	3.7
Dakota County	20,253	21,006	753	3.7
Arthur County	444	460	16	3.6
Saline County	13,843	14,200	357	2.6
Otoe County	15,396	15,740	344	2.2
Platte County	31,662	32,237	575	1.8
Cheyenne County	9,830	9,998	168	1.7
Seward County	16,496	16,750	254	1.5
Dodge County	36,160	36,691	531	1.5
Dawes County	9,060	9,182	122	1.3
McPherson County	533	539	6	1.1
Colfax County	10,441	10,515	74	0.7
Adams County	31,151	31,364	213	0.7
Scotts Bluff County	36,951	36,970	19	0.1
Dawson County	24,365	24,326	- 39	-0.2
Madison County	35,226	34,876	- 350	-1.0
Logan County	774	763	- 11	-1.4
Chase County	4,068	3,966	- 102	-2.5
Wayne County	9,851	9,595	- 256	-2.6
Gage County	22,993	22,311	- 682	-3.0
Hamilton County	9,403	9,124	- 279	-3.0
Colfax	9,974	10,441	-467	-4.5

# Nebraska County Population Change

## Nebraska County Population Change, 2000-2010 (cont.)

County	July 1, 2007 Estimates	April 1, 2000 Estimates Base	Number Change	Percent Change
Thurston County	7,171	6,940	- 231	-3.2
Red Willow County	11,448	11,055	- 393	-3.4
Polk County	5,639	5,406	- 233	-4.1
Butler County	8,767	8,395	- 372	-4.2
Nemaha County	7,576	7,248	- 328	-4.3
Merrick County	8,204	7,845	- 359	-4.4
Howard County	6,567	6,274	- 293	-4.5
Gosper County	2,143	2,044	- 99	-4.6
Sherman County	3,318	3,152	- 166	-5.0
Stanton County	6,455	6,129	- 326	-5.1
Dixon County	6,339	6,000	- 339	-5.3
Kearney County	6,882	6,489	- 393	-5.7
Keith County	8,875	8,368	- 507	-5.7
Phelps County	9,747	9,188	- 559	-5.7
Hooker County	783	736	- 47	-6.0
Webster County	4,061	3,812	- 249	-6.1
York County	14,598	13,665	- 933	-6.4
Greeley County	2,714	2,538	- 176	-6.5
Hitchcock County	3,111	2,908	- 203	-6.5
Kimball County	4,089	3,821	- 268	-6.6
Furnas County	5,324	4,959	- 365	-6.9
Box Butte County	12,158	11,308	- 850	-7.0
Clay County	7,039	6,542	- 497	-7.1
Cherry County	6,148	5,713	- 435	-7.1
Knox County	9,374	8,701	- 673	-7.2
Perkins County	3,200	2,970	- 230	-7.2
Custer County	11,793	10,939	- 854	-7.2
Morrill County	5,440	5,042	- 398	-7.3
Deuel County	2,098	1,941	- 157	-7.5
Nance County	4,038	3,735	- 303	-7.5
Pierce County	7,857	7,266	- 591	-7.5
Wheeler County	886	818	- 68	-7.7
Cedar County	9,615	8,852	- 763	-7.9
Valley County	4,647	4,260	- 387	-8.3

## Nebraska County Population Change, 2000-2010(cont.)

County	July 1, 2007 Estimates	April 1, 2000 Estimates Base	Number Change	Percent Change
Jefferson County	8,333	7,547	- 786	-9.4
Hayes County	1,068	967	- 101	-9.5
Harlan County	3,786	3,423	- 363	-9.6
Holt County	11,551	10,435	- 1 116	-9.7
Franklin County	3,574	3,225	- 349	-9.8
Pawnee County	3,087	2,773	- 314	-10.2
Garden County	2,292	2,057	- 235	-10.3
Antelope County	7,452	6,685	- 767	-10.3
Cuming County	10,203	9,139	- 1 064	-10.4
Brown County	3,525	3,145	- 380	-10.8
Nuckolls County	5,057	4,500	- 557	-11.0
Frontier County	3,099	2,756	- 343	-11.1
Sioux County	1,475	1,311	- 164	-11.1
Fillmore County	6,634	5,890	- 744	-11.2
Loup County	712	632	- 80	-11.2
Thomas County	729	647	- 82	-11.2
Sheridan County	6,198	5,469	- 729	-11.8
Burt County	7,791	6,858	- 933	-12.0
Boone County	6,259	5,505	- 754	-12.0
Richardson County	9,531	8,363	- 1 168	-12.3
Dundy County	2,292	2,008	- 284	-12.4
Rock County	1,756	1,526	- 230	-13.1
Thayer County	6,055	5,228	- 827	-13.7
Boyd County	2,438	2,099	- 339	-13.9
Banner County	819	690	- 129	-15.8
Keya Paha County	983	824	- 159	-16.2
Grant County	747	614	- 133	-17.8
Blaine County	583	478	- 105	-18.0
<b>Nebraska</b>	<b>1,711,263</b>	<b>1 826 341</b>	<b>115 078</b>	<b>6.7</b>

Source: Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000 Redistricting Data (Public Law 94-171) Summary File, Table PL1, and 2010 Census Redistricting Data (Public Law 94-171) Summary File, Table P1.

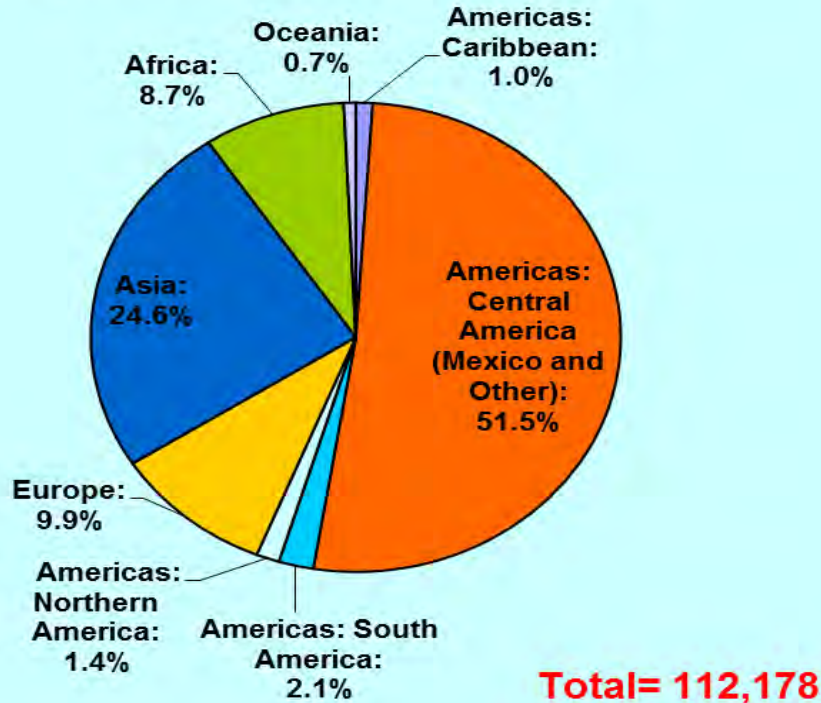


## Foreign-Born Population

The U.S. Census Bureau estimated that in 2010, there were 112,178 foreign-born residents in Nebraska. <sup>11</sup> This represented 6% of Nebraska's overall population, and an increase of 298% above the 1990 population of foreign-born residents in the state (28,198 residents). <sup>12</sup> The foreign-born population of Nebraska changed by 164.7% from 28,198 to 74,638 between 1990 and 2000, and increased from 74,638 to 112,178 between 2000 to 2010, representing an increase of 50%. Of the total foreign-born population in Nebraska in 2010, the largest share (51.5%) were from Central America, 24.6% from Asia, 9.9% from Europe, 8.7% were from Africa.

The top five countries of birth of the foreign born in Nebraska were Mexico, India, El Salvador, Vietnam, and China. In 2010, Mexico accounted for 41 percent of all foreign-born Nebraska residents. India was the birthplace of the next largest with 5.1 percent, followed by El Salvador with 5.1%, Vietnam with 3.8% and China with 2.8%. <sup>13</sup>

**Place of Birth for the Foreign-Born Population, Nebraska, 2010**



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2010 American Community Survey

### Period of Entry by World Region of Birth

Of the foreign-born Nebraska residents in 2010, 26.7% entered the country prior to 1990, approximately 35% between 1990 and 1999, and 38.5% in 2000 or later. Approximately 73% entered U.S. after 1990.

	Number	Percent
<b>Total Foreign-Born Population</b>	112178	100.0
Entered U.S. 2000 or after	43225	38.5
Entered U.S. 1990 to 1999	38952	34.7
Entered U.S. before 1990	30001	26.7
<b>Born in Europe</b>	11053	100.0
Entered U.S. 2000 or after	2573	23.3
Entered U.S. 1990 to 1999	2890	26.1
Entered U.S. before 1990	5590	50.6
<b>Born in Asia</b>	27649	100.0
Entered U.S. 2000 or after	10965	39.7
Entered U.S. 1990 to 1999	10196	36.9
Entered U.S. before 1990	6488	23.5
<b>Born in Mexico</b>	45999	100.0
Entered U.S. 2000 or after	15830	34.4
Entered U.S. 1990 to 1999	16816	36.6
Entered U.S. before 1990	13353	29.0
<b>Born in Other Parts of Latin America</b>	15360	100.0
Entered U.S. 2000 or after	6547	42.6
Entered U.S. 1990 to 1999	5414	35.2
Entered U.S. before 1990	3399	22.1
<b>Born in Other Areas</b>	12117	100.0
Entered U.S. 2000 or after	7310	60.3
Entered U.S. 1990 to 1999	3636	30.0
Entered U.S. before 1990	1171	9.7

Source: US Census Bureau, 2010 American Community Survey.

## Percentage Change in Foreign-Born Population, 1990-2010

Nebraska ranked 8<sup>th</sup> in percent increase in foreign-born population between 1990 and 2010 (see the detailed table below). This increase is nearly 3 times the national rate.

Top Fifteen States with Greatest Percent Change in the Foreign-Born Population: 1990 and 2010					
State	1990	2000	2010	Change 1990-2010	
	Foreign-Born Population	Foreign-Born Population	Foreign-Born Population	Percent change	Rank
<b>United States</b>	19,767,316	31,107,889	39,955,854	102.1	
<b>North Carolina</b>	115,077	430,000	719,137	524.9	1
<b>Georgia</b>	173,126	577,273	942,959	444.7	2
<b>Arkansas</b>	24,867	73,690	131,667	429.5	3
<b>Tennessee</b>	59,114	159,004	288,993	388.9	4
<b>Nevada</b>	104,828	316,593	508,458	385.0	5
<b>South Carolina</b>	49,964	115,978	218,494	337.3	6
<b>Kentucky</b>	34,119	80,271	140,583	312.0	7
<b>Nebraska</b>	28,198	74,638	112,178	297.8	8
<b>Alabama</b>	43,533	87,772	168,596	287.3	9
<b>Utah</b>	58,600	158,664	222,638	279.9	10
<b>Colorado</b>	142,434	369,903	497,105	249.0	11
<b>Minnesota</b>	113,039	260,463	378,483	234.8	12
<b>Delaware</b>	22,275	44,898	71,868	222.6	13
<b>Iowa</b>	43,316	91,085	139,477	222.0	14
<b>Indiana</b>	94,263	186,534	300,789	219.1	15

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 1990 and 2000 Census; 2010 American Community Survey.

## Nebraska Language Spoken

(Household Population, Age 5 and Older)

LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME BY ABILITY TO SPEAK ENGLISH	Nebraska (residents 5 years and older)	
	Estimate	Percent
<b>Nebraska Total :</b>	1,697,746	
<b>Speak only English</b>	1,523,316	89.73
<b>Spanish or Spanish Creole:</b>	115,547	6.81
<b>French (incl. Patois, Cajun):</b>	4,758	0.28
<b>French Creole:</b>	184	0.01
<b>Italian:</b>	1,480	0.09
<b>Portuguese or Portuguese Creole:</b>	652	0.04
<b>German:</b>	6,066	0.36
<b>Yiddish:</b>	136	0.01
<b>Other West Germanic languages:</b>	586	0.03
<b>Scandinavian languages:</b>	448	0.03
<b>Greek:</b>	321	0.02
<b>Russian:</b>	1,319	0.08
<b>Polish:</b>	1,006	0.06
<b>Serbo-Croatian:</b>	500	0.03
<b>Other Slavic languages:</b>	2,781	0.16
<b>Armenian:</b>	10	0.00
<b>Persian:</b>	848	0.05
<b>Gujarati:</b>	180	0.01
<b>Hindi:</b>	1,523	0.09
<b>Urdu:</b>	538	0.03
<b>Other Indic languages:</b>	1,268	0.07
<b>Other Indo-European languages:</b>	1,629	0.10
<b>Chinese:</b>	3,640	0.21
<b>Japanese:</b>	938	0.06
<b>Korean:</b>	1,046	0.06
<b>Mon-Khmer, Cambodian:</b>	132	0.01
<b>Hmong:</b>	60	0.00
<b>Thai:</b>	715	0.04
<b>Laotian:</b>	515	0.03
<b>Vietnamese:</b>	7,007	0.41
<b>Other Asian languages:</b>	4,785	0.28
<b>Tagalog:</b>	1,874	0.11
<b>Other Pacific Island languages:</b>	715	0.04
<b>Navajo:</b>	4	0.00
<b>Other Native North American languages:</b>	1,518	0.09
<b>Hungarian:</b>	39	0.00
<b>Arabic:</b>	3,616	0.21
<b>Hebrew:</b>	108	0.01
<b>African languages:</b>	5,691	0.34
<b>Other and unspecified languages:</b>	247	0.01



## ABILITY TO SPEAK ENGLISH

### Languages Spoken in Nebraska

LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME BY ABILITY TO SPEAK ENGLISH	Nebraska (residents 5 years and older)	
	Estimate	Percent
<b>Nebraska Total:</b>	1,697,746	
Speak only English	1,523,316	89.73
<b>Spanish or Spanish Creole:</b>	115,547	6.81
Speak English "very well"	58,762	3.46
Speak English less than "very well"	56,785	3.34
<b>French (incl. Patois, Cajun):</b>	4,758	0.28
Speak English "very well"	3,396	0.20
Speak English less than "very well"	1,362	0.08
<b>French Creole:</b>	184	0.01
Speak English "very well"	163	0.01
Speak English less than "very well"	21	0.00
<b>Italian:</b>	1,480	0.09
Speak English "very well"	1,185	0.07
Speak English less than "very well"	295	0.02
<b>Portuguese or Portuguese Creole:</b>	652	0.04
Speak English "very well"	525	0.03
Speak English less than "very well"	127	0.01
<b>German:</b>	6,066	0.36
Speak English "very well"	5,416	0.32
Speak English less than "very well"	650	0.04
<b>Yiddish:</b>	136	0.01
Speak English "very well"	94	0.01
Speak English less than "very well"	42	0.00
<b>Other West Germanic languages:</b>	586	0.03
Speak English "very well"	517	0.03
Speak English less than "very well"	69	0.00
<b>Scandinavian languages:</b>	448	0.03
Speak English "very well"	374	0.02
Speak English less than "very well"	74	0.00
<b>Greek:</b>	321	0.02
Speak English "very well"	256	0.02
Speak English less than "very well"	65	0.00
<b>Russian:</b>	1,319	0.08
Speak English "very well"	788	0.05
Speak English less than "very well"	531	0.03
<b>Polish:</b>	1,006	0.06
Speak English "very well"	765	0.05
Speak English less than "very well"	241	0.01
<b>Serbo-Croatian:</b>	500	0.03
Speak English "very well"	298	0.02
Speak English less than "very well"	202	0.01
<b>Other Slavic languages:</b>	2,781	0.16
Speak English "very well"	2,259	0.13
Speak English less than "very well"	522	0.03

LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME BY ABILITY TO SPEAK ENGLISH	Nebraska (residents 5 years and older)	
	Estimate	Percent
<b>Armenian:</b>	10	0.00
Speak English "very well"	10	0.00
Speak English less than "very well"	0	0.00
<b>Persian:</b>	848	0.05
Speak English "very well"	287	0.02
Speak English less than "very well"	561	0.03
<b>Gujarati:</b>	180	0.01
Speak English "very well"	77	0.00
Speak English less than "very well"	103	0.01
<b>Hindi:</b>	1,523	0.09
Speak English "very well"	1,391	0.08
Speak English less than "very well"	132	0.01
<b>Urdu:</b>	538	0.03
Speak English "very well"	301	0.02
Speak English less than "very well"	237	0.01
<b>Other Indic languages:</b>	1,268	0.07
Speak English "very well"	808	0.05
Speak English less than "very well"	460	0.03
<b>Other Indo-European languages:</b>	1,629	0.10
Speak English "very well"	1,189	0.07
Speak English less than "very well"	440	0.03
<b>Chinese:</b>	3,640	0.21
Speak English "very well"	1,481	0.09
Speak English less than "very well"	2,159	0.13
<b>Japanese:</b>	938	0.06
Speak English "very well"	567	0.03
Speak English less than "very well"	371	0.02
<b>Korean:</b>	1,046	0.06
Speak English "very well"	596	0.04
Speak English less than "very well"	450	0.03
<b>Mon-Khmer, Cambodian:</b>	132	0.01
Speak English "very well"	58	0.00
Speak English less than "very well"	74	0.00
<b>Hmong:</b>	60	0.00
Speak English "very well"	44	0.00
Speak English less than "very well"	16	0.00
<b>Thai:</b>	715	0.04
Speak English "very well"	334	0.02
Speak English less than "very well"	381	0.02
<b>Laotian:</b>	515	0.03
Speak English "very well"	164	0.01
Speak English less than "very well"	351	0.02

## Languages Spoken in Nebraska

LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME BY ABILITY TO SPEAK ENGLISH	Nebraska (residents 5 years and older)	
	Estimate	Percent
<b>Vietnamese:</b>	7,007	0.41
Speak English "very well"	2,552	0.15
Speak English less than "very well"	4,455	0.26
<b>Other Asian languages:</b>	4,785	0.28
Speak English "very well"	2,441	0.14
Speak English less than "very well"	2,344	0.14
<b>Tagalog:</b>	1,874	0.11
Speak English "very well"	1,584	0.09
Speak English less than "very well"	290	0.02
<b>Other Pacific Island languages:</b>	715	0.04
Speak English "very well"	566	0.03
Speak English less than "very well"	149	0.01
<b>Navajo:</b>	4	0.00
Speak English "very well"	4	0.00
Speak English less than "very well"	0	0.00
<b>Other Native North American languages:</b>	1,518	0.09
Speak English "very well"	1,286	0.08
Speak English less than "very well"	232	0.01
<b>Hungarian:</b>	39	0.00
Speak English "very well"	15	0.00
Speak English less than "very well"	24	0.00
<b>Arabic:</b>	3,616	0.21
Speak English "very well"	1,674	0.10
Speak English less than "very well"	1,942	0.11
<b>Hebrew:</b>	108	0.01
Speak English "very well"	104	0.01
Speak English less than "very well"	4	0.00
<b>African languages:</b>	5,691	0.34
Speak English "very well"	2,917	0.17
Speak English less than "very well"	2,774	0.16
<b>Other and unspecified languages:</b>	247	0.01
Speak English "very well"	132	0.01
Speak English less than "very well"	115	0.01

Sources: US Census Bureau, 2009-2011 American Community Survey.

## ABILITY TO SPEAK ENGLISH FOR THE POPULATION 5 YEARS AND OVER BY COUNTY

The top five counties with the highest percentage of individuals that speak English less than very well are Colfax (23.9%), Dakota (22.3%), Dawson (18.8%), Hall (10.9%) and Saline (9.9%).

Nebraska Counties	Total Population 5 years and older	Total number that speak English less than very well	% that speak English less than very well
Adams County	28,981	1177	4
Antelope County	6,315	82	1.2
Arthur County	398	2	0.5
Banner County	666	10	1.5
Blaine County	503	0	0
Boone County	5,247	8	0.2
Box Butte County	10577	171	1.6
Boyd County	2013	3	0.1
Brown County	3011	0	0
Buffalo County	42190	1098	2.6
Burt County	6568	69	1.0
Butler County	7917	168	2.1
Cass County	23668	150	0.6
Cedar County	8323	36	0.4
Chase County	3669	143	0.4
Cherry County	5411	111	2.1
Cheyenne County	9399	174	1.9
Clay County	6182	136	2.2
Colfax County	9298	2224	23.9
Cuming County	8719	479	5.5
Custer County	10360	63	0.6
Dakota County	18,949	4222	22.3
Dawes County	8,714	27	0.3
Dawson County	22,268	4178	18.8
Deuel County	1860	11	0.6
Dixon County	5601	301	5.4
Dodge County	34199	1783	5.2
Douglas County	466259	27598	6
Dundy County	1903	0	0
Fillmore County	5657	28	0.5
Franklin County	3049	10	0.3
Frontier County	2646	4	0.2
Furnas County	4702	46	1.0
Gage County	21,147	172	0.8
Garden County	1969	5	0.3
Garfield County	2023	23	1.1
Gosper County	1960	8	0.4
Grant County	629	0	0

## Languages Spoken in Nebraska

Nebraska Counties	Total Population 5 years and older	Total number that speak English less than very well	% that speak English less than very well
Greeley County	2403	0	0
Hall County	52127	5689	10.9
Hamilton County	8615	77	0.9
Harlan County	3278	19	0.6
Hayes County	943	23	2.4
Hitchcock County	2762	2	0.1
Holt County	9852	63	0.6
Hooker County	670	0	0.0
Howard County	5897	30	0.5
Jefferson County	7275	20	0.3
Johnson County	4990	231	4.6
Kearney County	6148	77	1.3
Keith County	7864	153	1.9
Keya Paha County	696	0	0.0
Kimball County	3603	103	2.9
Knox County	8261	35	0.4
Lancaster County	259508	11574	4.5
Lincoln County	33719	557	1.7
Logan County	637	0	0.0
Loup County	601	0	0.0
Madison County	32114	2236	7.0
McPherson County	468	0	0.0
Merrick County	7296	15	0.2
Morrill County	4745	166	3.5
Nance County	3533	4	0.1
Nemaha County	6834	89	1.3
Nuckolls County	4331	20	0.5
Otoe County	14644	290	2.0
Pawnee County	2635	54	2.0
Perkins County	2815	0	0.0
Phelps County	8717	363	4.2
Pierce County	6858	70	1.0
Platte County	29,376	1653	5.6
Polk County	5111	49	1.0
Red Willow County	10,364	92	0.9
Richardson County	8009	16	0.2
Rock County	1582	10	0.6
Saline County	13,148	1305	9.9
Sarpy County	139271	4452	3.2
Saunders County	19165	275	1.4
Scotts Bluff County	33957	1127	3.3
Seward County	15654	128	0.8
Sheridan County	5,182	44	0.8
Sherman County	2951	21	0.7
Sioux County	1317	4	0.3

<b>Nebraska Counties</b>	<b>Total Population 5 years and older</b>	<b>Total number that speak English less than very well</b>	<b>% that speak English less than very well</b>
<b>Stanton County</b>	5753	68	1.2
<b>Thayer County</b>	4971	10	0.2
<b>Thomas County</b>	712	3	0.4
<b>Thurston County</b>	6216	73	1.2
<b>Valley County</b>	4045	41	1.0
<b>Washington County</b>	18801	158	0.8
<b>Wayne County</b>	8988	147	1.6
<b>Webster County</b>	3620	32	0.9
<b>Wheeler County</b>	681	0	0.0
<b>York County</b>	13,052	312	2.4

Sources: US Census Bureau, 2006-2010 American Community Survey.

## LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME BY AGE GROUPS

(Household Population, Age 5 and Older)

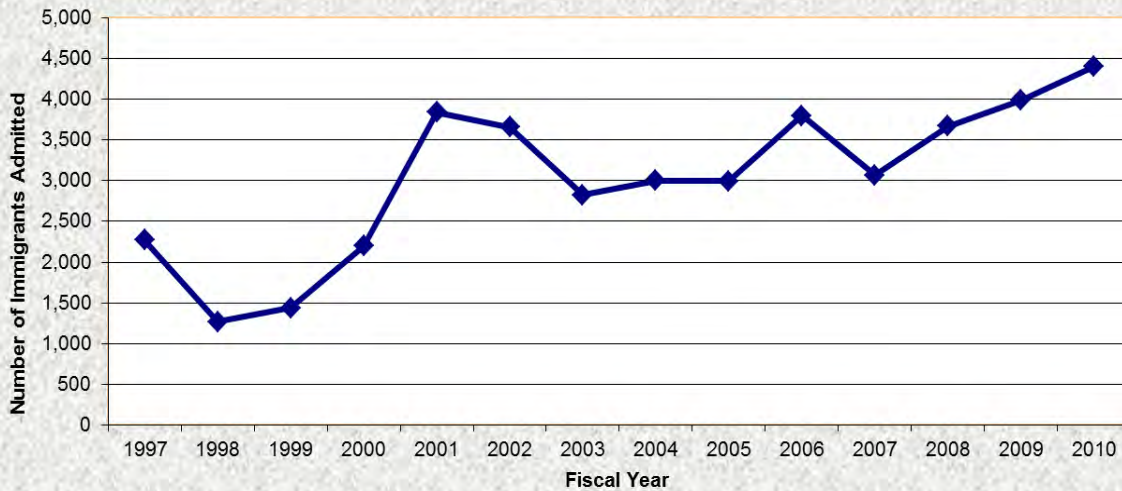
LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME	Nebraska total		
	Percent of specified language speakers		
		Speak English "very well"	Speak English less than "very well"
	Estimate	Estimate	Estimate
<b>Population 5 years and over</b>	1,697,746	95.3%	4.7%
<b>Speak only English</b>	89.7%	(X)	(X)
<b>Speak a language other than English</b>	10.3%	54.7%	45.3%
Spanish or Spanish Creole	6.8%	50.9%	49.1%
Other Indo-European languages	1.5%	76.6%	23.4%
Asian and Pacific Island languages	1.3%	48.5%	51.5%
Other languages	0.7%	54.6%	45.4%
<b>SPEAK A LANGUAGE OTHER THAN ENGLISH</b>			
Spanish or Spanish Creole	115,547	50.9%	49.1%
5-17 years	32,331	74.7%	25.3%
18-64 years	79,164	41.4%	58.6%
65 years and over	4,052	45.0%	55.0%
Other Indo-European languages	26,233	76.6%	23.4%
5-17 years	3,939	79.1%	20.9%
18-64 years	16,769	75.9%	24.1%
65 years and over	5,525	77.1%	22.9%
Asian and Pacific Island languages	21,427	48.5%	51.5%
5-17 years	4,035	58.4%	41.6%
18-64 years	16,152	47.4%	52.6%
65 years and over	1,240	30.5%	69.5%
Other languages	11,223	54.6%	45.4%
5-17 years	2,968	69.6%	30.4%
18-64 years	7,743	48.6%	51.4%
65 years and over	512	59.4%	40.6%
<b>CITIZENS 18 YEARS AND OVER</b>			
All citizens 18 years and over	1,306,419	98.3%	1.7%
Speak only English	94.5%	(X)	(X)
Speak a language other than English	5.5%	69.3%	30.7%
Spanish or Spanish Creole	3.3%	67.1%	32.9%
Other languages	2.2%	72.5%	27.5%

Sources: US Census Bureau, 2009-2011 American Community Survey.

## Nebraska Immigrant Admissions

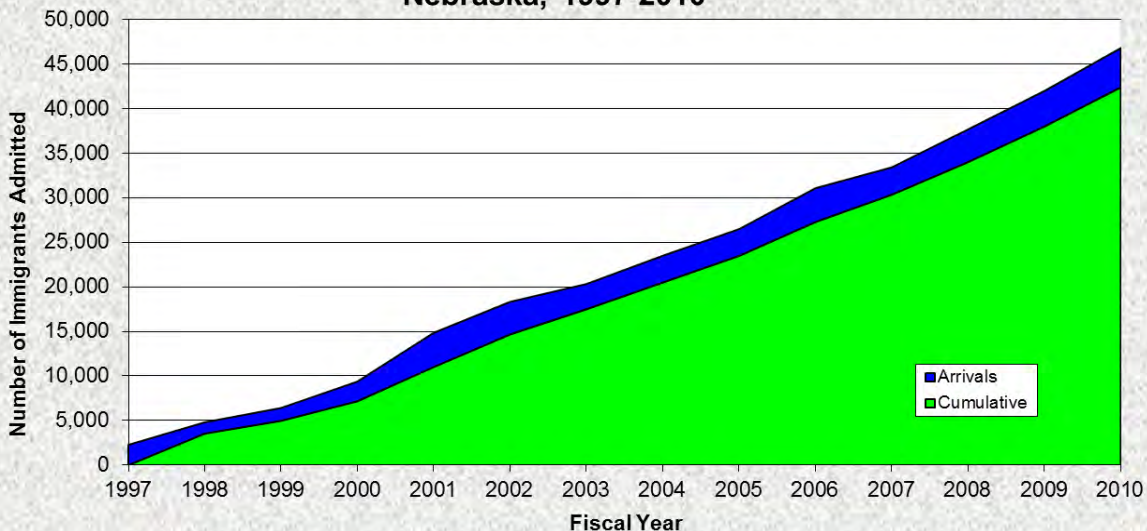
The overall trend of immigration into Nebraska has been increasing. The number of people granted legal permanent residence has ranged from 2,270 in FY '97 to 4,400 in FY '10. The cumulative total of admissions to Nebraska between fiscal years 1997 and 2010 was 27,290 immigrants, this included new arrivals and persons who adjusted their status.<sup>14</sup> The charts below show recent immigrant admissions and the cumulative immigrant admissions data since 1997.

### Persons Obtaining Legal Permanent Resident Status Nebraska, 1997-2010



Source : U.S. Department of Homeland Security.

### Persons Obtaining Legal Permanent Resident Status Nebraska, 1997-2010

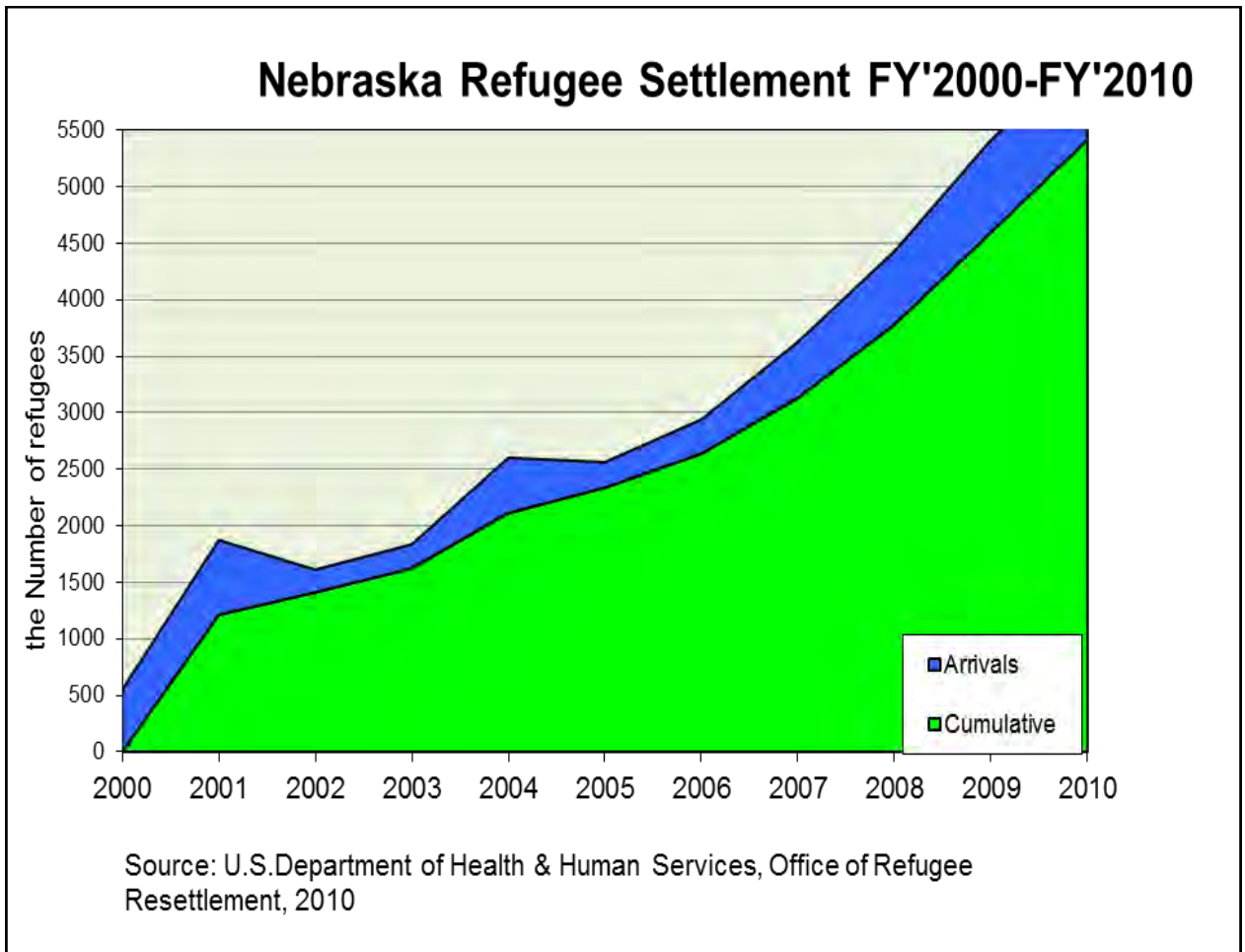


Source : U.S. Department of Homeland Security.



## Refugee Resettlement

Based on data from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Office of Refugee Resettlement, Nebraska received 5,415 refugees from FY 2000 to FY 2010, with 818 arriving in FY 2010.<sup>15</sup> The chart below shows recent Nebraska refugee settlement and the cumulative refugee settlement data since 2000.



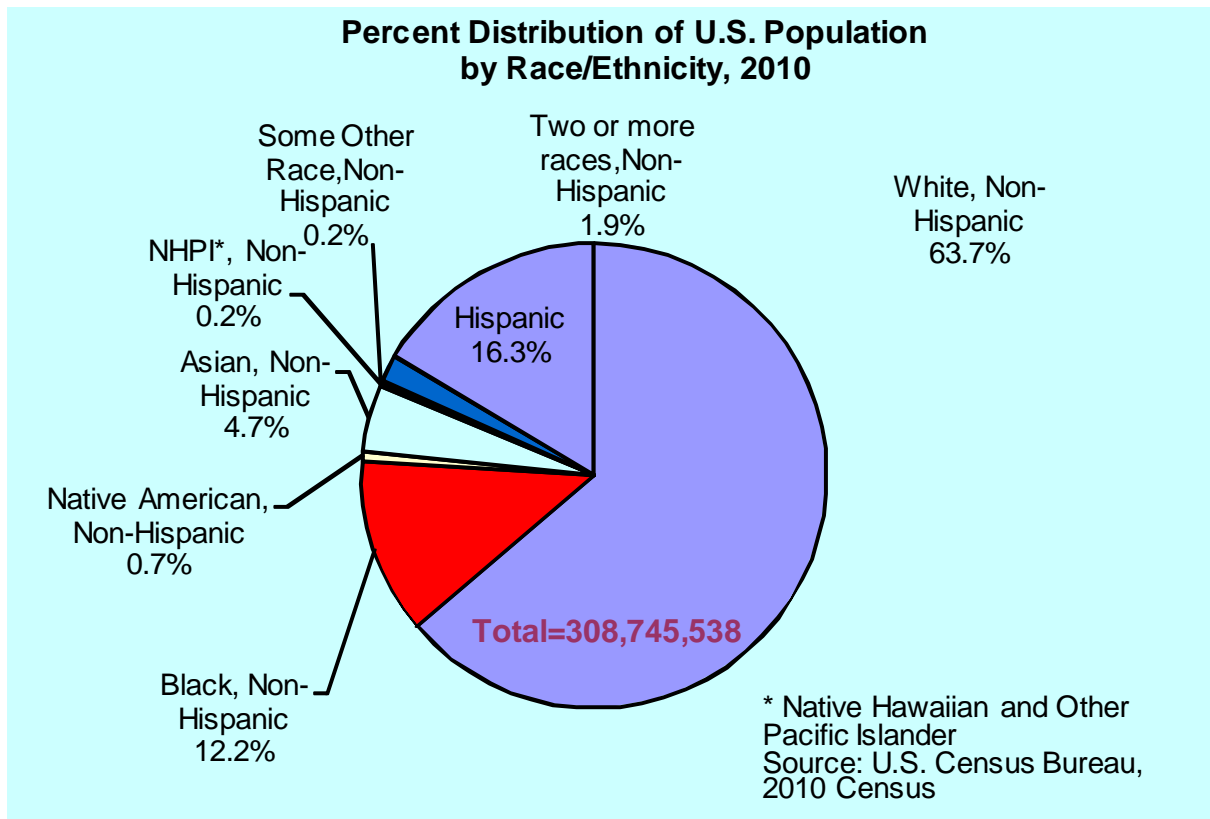
## Number of Refugee Arrivals, Nebraska, Fiscal Year 2000-2010

COUNTRY	FY00	FY01	FY02	FY03	FY04	FY05	FY06	FY07	FY08	FY09	FY10	Total
AFGHANISTAN	35	96	7	13	8	0	1	0	0	0	0	160
ANGOLA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
BHUTAN	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	54	90	144
BOTSWANA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
BURMA	0	4	1	0	0	14	19	157	277	525	528	1525
BURUNDI	1	0	0	0	0	3	7	56	17	10	6	100
CHAD	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
CHINA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
CONGO	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	7	2	3	0	13
CUBA	23	20	4	2	16	9	11	7	10	21	5	128
DEM.REP. CONGO	7	0	0	0	0	3	2	0	12	7	10	41
EGYPT	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	2
ERITREA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	1	7
ETHIOPIA	2	0	0	3	0	5	2	9	1	9	2	33
IRAN	23	13	3	9	13	0	6	0	3	1	5	76
IRAQ	89	97	11	5	3	0	5	2	35	48	72	367
KENYA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1
LAOS	0	0	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
LEBANON	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1
LIBERIA	0	11	0	8	14	4	11	11	7	5	0	71
MALAYSIA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2
MAURITANIA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	10
NIGERIA	1	1	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
PHILIPPINES	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1
RWANDA	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3
SIERRA LEONE	0	6	1	5	2	1	0	1	0	1	0	17
SOMALIA	1	10	0	4	164	18	28	34	41	30	24	354
SRI LANKA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
SUDAN	80	197	37	99	242	139	175	44	12	44	43	1112
SYRIA	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	2
THAILAND	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	88	191	0	3	287
TOGO	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	4	0	0	13
UGANDA	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	3
USSR*	87	35	33	40	11	22	9	42	5	4	0	288
VIETNAM	34	26	29	4	7	5	15	19	24	50	28	241
VIETNAM (Amerasia)	11	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	17
YUGOSLAVIA	148	139	73	17	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	381
Nebraska Total	552	661	199	212	489	225	301	494	648	816	818	5415

## Appendix

### Distribution of U.S. Population by Race/Ethnicity

The United States is racially and ethnically diverse, and the nation's diversity is growing over time. As of 2010, minorities compose one-third (36%) of the U.S. population. Hispanics are the largest minority group, followed by African Americans. The racial and ethnic composition of the population varies by state, with states in the west and south having the highest proportion of minority residents.



## Change in U.S. Minority Population

According to U.S. Census Bureau, the population of the United States increased from 281.4 million in the 2000 census to 308.7 million in 2010. This represents a 9.7% change during the 10-year period. The minority population has been increasing more rapidly than the non-Hispanic White population. From 2000 to 2010, the U.S. minority population grew from 86,869,132 to 111,927,986, a 29% increase, while the Non-Hispanic White population had only a 1.2% increase.

From 2000 to 2010, the Hispanic population grew by 43%, Asians by 43.3%, African Americans by 12.3%, Native Hawaiians and other Pacific Islanders by 35.4%, and American Indians and Alaska Natives by 17.4%. Growth of the minority populations surpassed white population growth by 5.7%.

**U.S. Population Change by Race and Ethnicity, 2000-2010**

Race/Ethnicity	Population 2000	% Population (2000)	Population 2010	% Population (2010)	Change (2000-2010)	%Change (00-10)
<b>U.S. Total</b>	281,421,906	100	308,745,538	100	27,323,632	9.7
<b>White Alone</b>	211,460,626	75.1	223,553,265	72.4	12,092,639	5.7
<b>Black Alone</b>	34,658,190	12.3	38,929,319	12.6	4,271,129	12.3
<b>American Indian or Alaska Native Alone</b>	2,475,956	0.9	2,932,248	0.9	456,292	18.4
<b>Asian Alone</b>	10,242,998	3.6	14,674,252	4.8	4,431,254	43.3
<b>NHPI** Alone</b>	398,835	0.1	540,013	0.2	141,178	35.4
<b>Some Other Race</b>	15,359,073	5.5	19,107,368	6.2	3,748,295	24.4
<b>Two or More Races</b>	6,826,228	2.4	9,009,073	2.9	2,182,845	32.0
<b>Hispanic</b>	35,305,818	12.5	50,477,594	16.3	15,171,776	43.0
<b>White, Non-Hispanic</b>	194,552,774	69.1	196,817,552	63.7	2,264,778	1.2
<b>Minority</b>	86,869,132	30.9	111,927,986	36.3	25,058,854	28.8

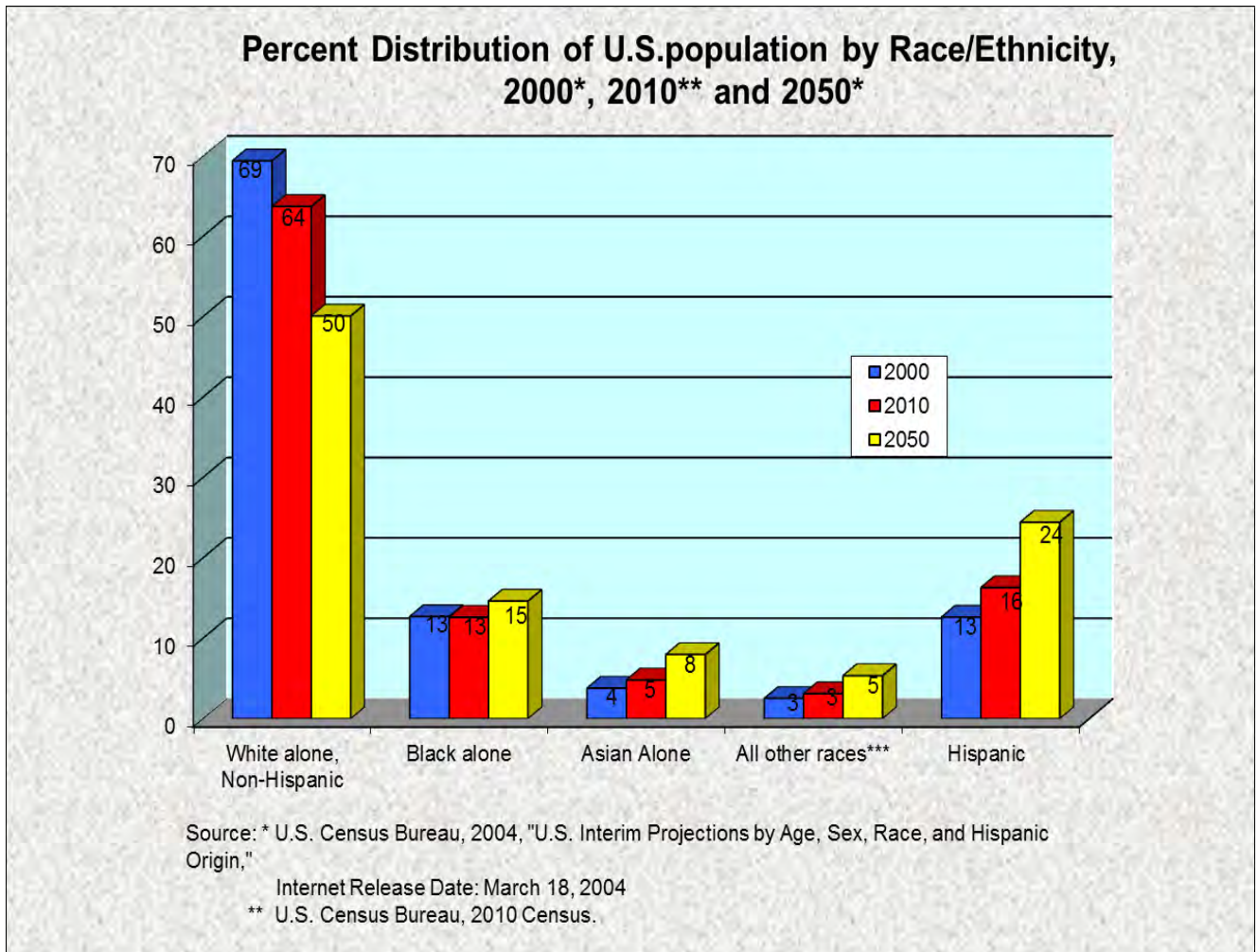
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, *Census 2000 Redistricting Data (Public Law 94-171) Summary File*, Tables PL1 and PL2; and *2010 Census Redistricting Data (Public Law 94-171) Summary File*, Tables P1 and P2.

\*\* Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander.

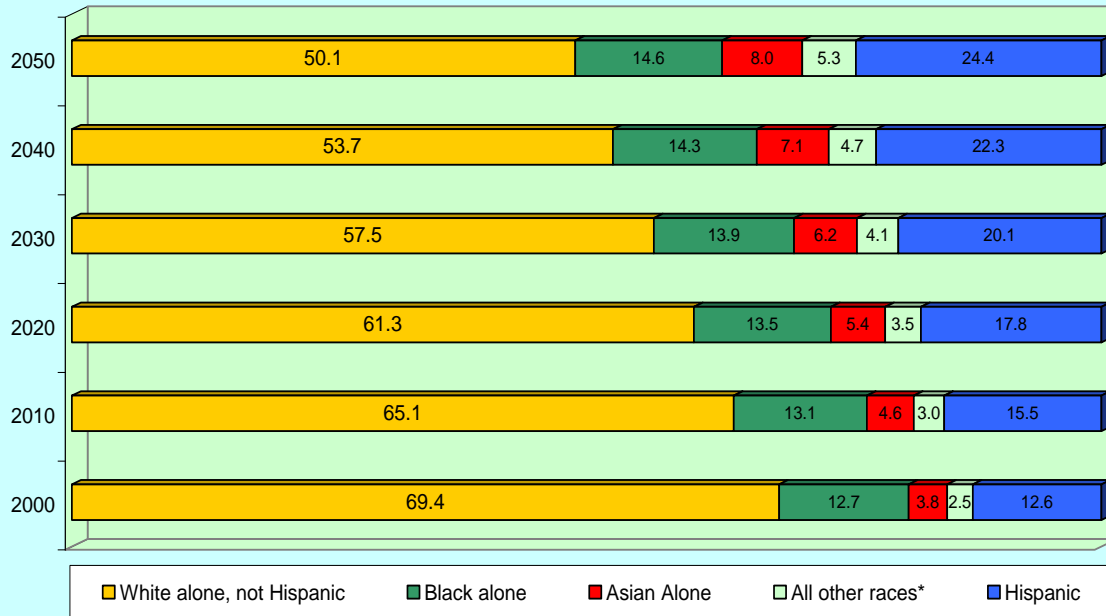
## Projected U.S. Minority Population

The U.S. Census Bureau projects that by 2050, minority groups will make up nearly half of the total U.S. population. The biggest increase will occur with the Hispanic population. Hispanic and Asian populations are the fastest growing minority groups. The proportion of Hispanics and Asians in the U.S. is expected to double between 2000 and 2050. Hispanics will make up 24% of the U.S. population in 2050, compared with 13% in 2000. Asians will increase from 4% to 8%. The non Hispanic white population will increase more slowly than other racial and ethnic groups. Non Hispanic whites made up 69% of the population in 2000, but this percentage is predicted to drop to 50% by 2050. <sup>16</sup> Whites who are not Hispanic will become a minority after 2050.

**U.S. Population Change by Race and Ethnicity, 2000-2010**



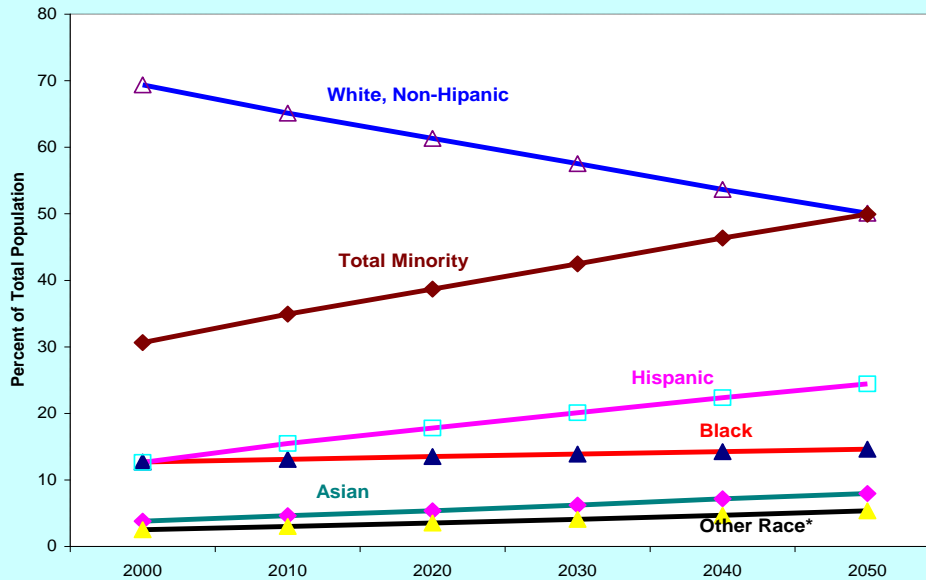
### Percent Distribution of U.S. Population by Race/Ethnicity, 2000-2050



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2004, "U.S. Interim Projections by Age, Sex, Race, and Hispanic Origin," Internet Release Date: March 18, 2004

\*\* Includes American Indian and Alaska Native alone, Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone, and Two or More Races

### Projected Population of the United States by Race/Ethnicity, 2000-2050



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2004, "U.S. Interim Projections by Age, Sex, Race, and Hispanic Origin," Internet Release Date: March 18, 2004

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## Projected Population of the United States, by Race/Ethnicity, 2000 to 2050

### Total Population

(In thousands. As of July 1. Resident population.)

	2000	2010	2020	2030	2040	2050
<b>United States Total</b>	282,125	308,936	335,805	363,584	391,946	419,854
<b>Black alone</b>	35,818	40,454	45,365	50,442	55,876	61,361
<b>Asian Alone</b>	10,684	14,241	17,988	22,580	27,992	33,430
<b>All other races*</b>	7,075	9,246	11,822	14,831	18,388	22,437
<b>Hispanic</b>	35,622	47,756	59,756	73,055	87,585	102,560
<b>White alone, not Hispanic</b>	195,729	201,112	205,936	209,176	210,331	210,283
<b>Minority Total</b>	86,396	107,824	129,869	154,408	181,615	209,571

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2004, "U.S. Interim Projections by Age, Sex, Race, and Hispanic Origin," Internet Release Date: March 18, 2004

\* Includes American Indian and Alaska Native alone, Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone, and Two or More Races

### Percent of Total Population

	2000	2010	2020	2030	2040	2050
<b>Black alone</b>	12.7	13.1	13.5	13.9	14.3	14.6
<b>Asian Alone</b>	3.8	4.6	5.4	6.2	7.1	8.0
<b>All other races*</b>	2.5	3.0	3.5	4.1	4.7	5.3
<b>Hispanic</b>	12.6	15.5	17.8	20.1	22.3	24.4
<b>White alone, not Hispanic</b>	69.4	65.1	61.3	57.5	53.7	50.1
<b>Minority Total</b>	30.6	34.9	38.7	42.5	46.3	49.9

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2004, "U.S. Interim Projections by Age, Sex, Race, and Hispanic Origin," Internet Release Date: March 18, 2004

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## U.S. Gender and Age Characteristics

In 2010, 19.8% of the total U.S. population were under 15 years old, about 60.5% were younger than 45, while 13.1% were 65 and older. The median age 37.2 years.

**U.S. Population By Age and Sex, 2010**

Age	Males	Percent	Females	Percent	Total	Percent
<b>Under 5</b>	10,319,427	3.3	9881935	3.2	20,201,362	6.5
<b>5 to 9</b>	10,389,638	3.4	9959019	3.2	20,348,657	6.6
<b>10 to 14</b>	10,579,862	3.4	10097332	3.3	20,677,194	6.7
<b>15 to 19</b>	11,303,666	3.7	10736677	3.5	22,040,343	7.1
<b>20 to 24</b>	11,014,176	3.6	10571823	3.4	21,585,999	7
<b>25 to 29</b>	10,635,591	3.4	10466258	3.4	21,101,849	6.8
<b>30 to 34</b>	9,996,500	3.2	9965599	3.2	19,962,099	6.5
<b>35 to 39</b>	10,042,022	3.3	10137620	3.3	20,179,642	6.5
<b>40 to 44</b>	10,393,977	3.4	10496987	3.4	20,890,964	6.8
<b>45 to 49</b>	11,209,085	3.6	11499506	3.7	22,708,591	7.4
<b>50 to 54</b>	10,933,274	3.5	11364851	3.7	22,298,125	7.2
<b>55 to 59</b>	9,523,648	3.1	10141157	3.3	19,664,805	6.4
<b>60 to 64</b>	8,077,500	2.6	8740424	2.8	16,817,924	5.4
<b>65 to 69</b>	5,852,547	1.9	6582716	2.1	12,435,263	4
<b>70 to 74</b>	4,243,972	1.4	5034194	1.6	9,278,166	3
<b>75-79</b>	3,182,388	1	4135407	1.3	7,317,795	2.4
<b>80 to 84</b>	2,294,374	0.7	3448953	1.1	5,743,327	1.9
<b>85 +</b>	1,789,679	0.6	3703754	1.2	5,493,433	1.8
<b>Total</b>	151,781,326	49	156,964,212	51	308,745,538	100

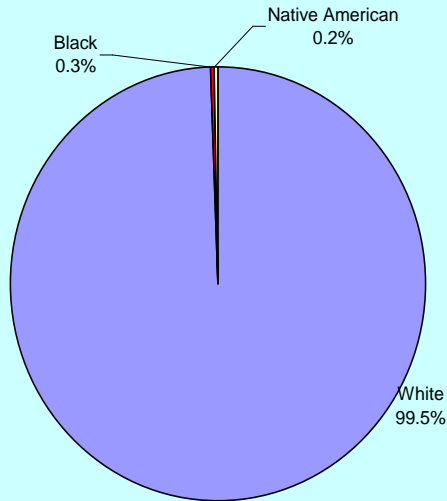
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## Comparison of National and State Population

### Comparison of National and State Population by Race, 1860

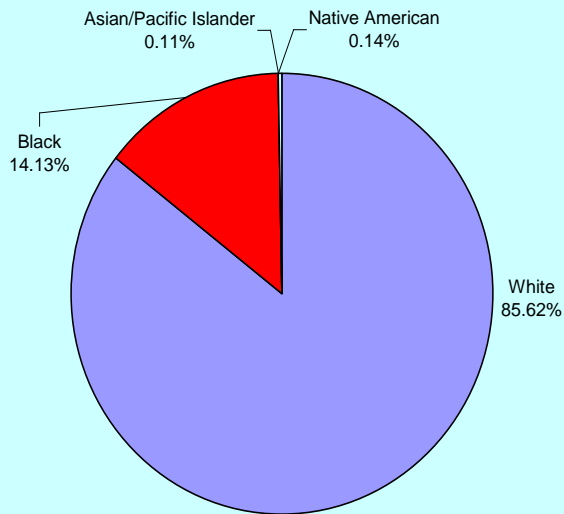
Percent Distribution of Nebraska Population  
by Race, 1860



Total=28,841

Source: U. S. Census Bureau, Nebraska - Race and Hispanic Origin: 1860 to 1990, Internet Release Date: September 13, 2002

Percent Distribution of United States Population  
by Race, 1860

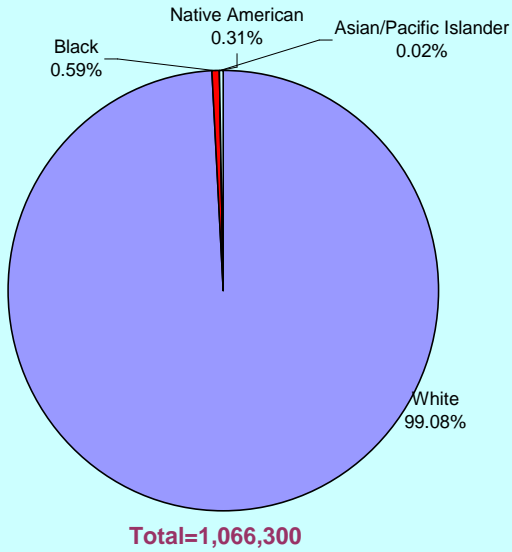


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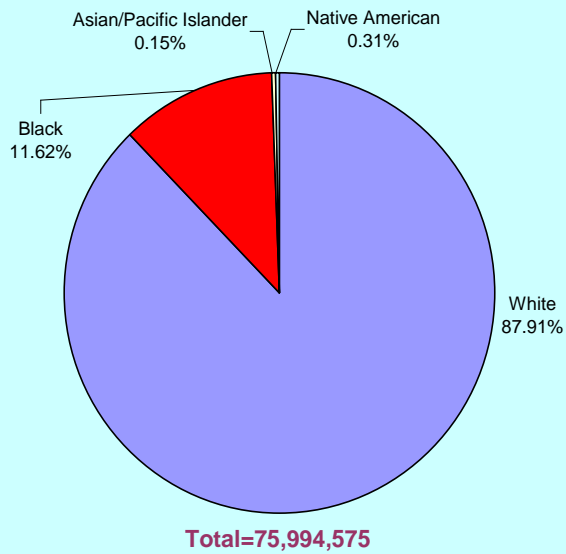
# Comparison of National and State Population by Race, 1900

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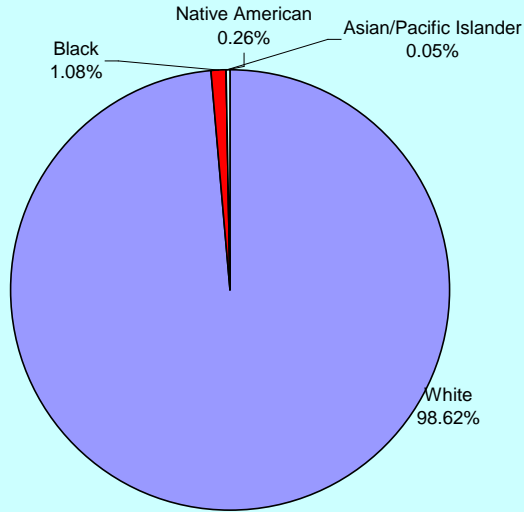
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## Comparison of National and State Population by Race, 1940

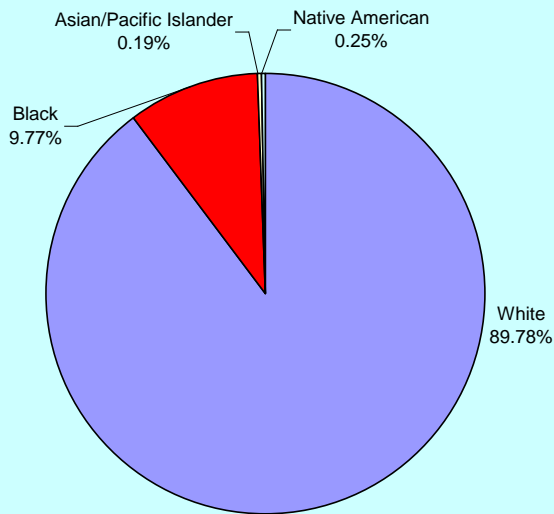
Percent Distribution of Nebraska Population by Race, 1940



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Percent Distribution of United States Population by Race, 1940

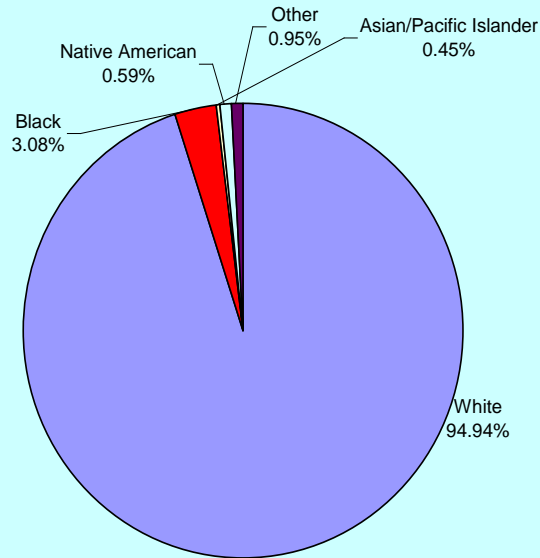


Total=131,669,275

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## Comparison of National and State Population by Race, 1980

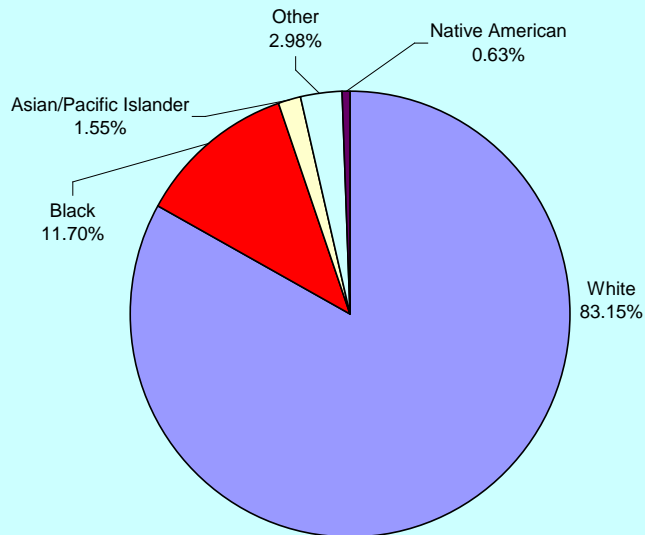
**Percent Distribution of Nebraska Population  
by Race, 1980**



**Total=1,569,825**

Source: U. S. Census Bureau, Nebraska - Race and Hispanic Origin: 1860 to 1990, Internet Release Date: September 13, 2002

**Percent Distribution of United States Population  
by Race, 1980**



**Total=226,545,805**

Source: U. S. Census Bureau, United States - Race and Hispanic Origin: 1790 to 1990, Internet Release Date: September 13, 2002

## Glossary

**Population Estimate** - The estimated population is the calculated number of people living in an area as of July 1. The estimated population is calculated from a components of change model that incorporates information on natural change (births, deaths) and net migration (net internal migration, net international migration) that has occurred in an area since a Census 2000 reference date.

**Base Population** - The population count or estimate used as the starting point in the estimates process. It can be the last Census count or the estimate for a previous date. The April 1, 2000 Population Estimates base reflects changes to the Census 2000 population from the Count Question Resolution program and geographic program revisions. The original race data from Census 2000 are modified to eliminate the "some other race" category.

**Percent Population Change** - The difference between the population of an area at the beginning and end of a time period, expressed as a percentage of the beginning population.

**Estimated Components of Population Change** - Occurrences used by the Census Bureau to estimate changes in the population during a time period. These components consist of births, deaths, net internal migration and net international migration.

**Natural Increase** - Births minus deaths. The rate of natural increase expresses natural increase during a time period as a percentage of an area's population at the midpoint of the time period.

**Net Internal Migration** - The difference between internal in-migration to an area and internal out-migration from the same area during a time period. Internal in- and out-migration consist of moves where both the origin and the destination are within the United States (excluding Puerto Rico). The net internal migration rate expresses net internal migration during a time period as a percentage of an area's population at the midpoint of the time period.

**Net International Migration** - International migration, in its simplest form, is defined as any movement across U.S. (50 states and District of Columbia) borders. The U.S. Census Bureau makes estimates of net international migration for the nation, states, and counties. The U.S. Census Bureau estimates net international migration as: (1) net migration of the foreign born, (2) net movement from Puerto Rico, (3) net movement of the U.S. Armed Forces, and (4) emigration of the native born. The largest component, net migration of the foreign born, includes lawful permanent residents (immigrants), temporary migrants (such as students), humanitarian migrants (such as refugees), and people illegally present in the United States.

**Net migration** - Net internal migration plus net international migration. The net migration rate expresses net migration during a time period as a percentage of an area's population at the midpoint of the time period.

**Foreign-Born Population** - The U.S. Census Bureau uses the term *foreign born* to refer to anyone who is not a U.S. citizen at birth. This includes naturalized U.S. citizens, lawful permanent residents (immigrants), temporary migrants (such as foreign students), humanitarian migrants (such as refugees), and persons illegally present in the United States.

Source: The U.S. Census Bureau ( <http://www.census.gov/popest/topics/terms/>).

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