



The Pennsylvania Housing Finance Agency

Housing Fact Sheet



Mercer County

POPULATION DATA

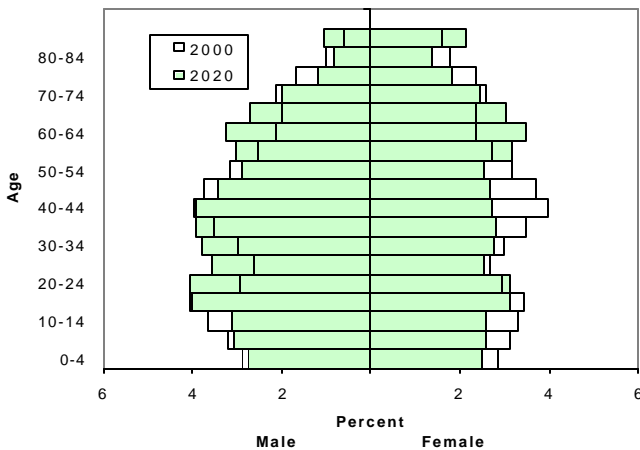
Population by Gender

	2000	1990	% Change
Male	58,448	58,657	-0.4%
Female	61,845	62,346	-0.8%
Total	120,293	121,003	-0.6%

Urban / Rural Population

	2000	1990	% Change
Urban	62,389	61,664	1.2%
Rural	57,904	59,339	-2.4%
Total	120,293	121,003	-0.6%

Age Comparison 2000-2020



Population by Race and Hispanic Origin (2000)

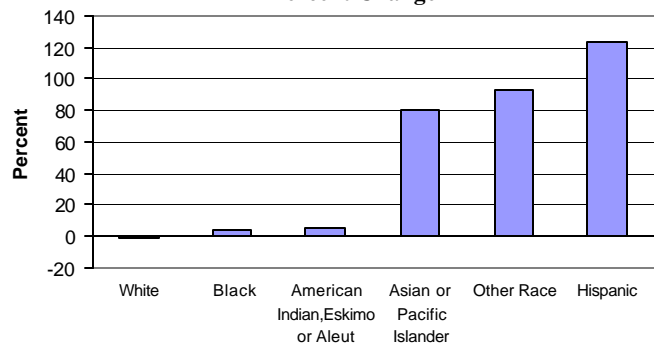
	Number	% of Total
Total	120,293	
White	111,990	93.1%
Black or African American	6,056	5.0%
American Indian and Alaska Native	136	0.1%
Asian, Native Hawaiian and other Pacific Islander	681	0.6%
Some Other Race	295	0.2%
Two or more races	1,135	0.9%
Hispanic Origin	996	0.8%

Census and Projected Population (Based on April 1990)

Age	April 1990	July 2000	July 2010	July 2020
0-4	7,530	6,644	6,755	6,525
5-19	24,914	25,004	23,306	23,152
20-24	8,453	9,559	9,686	8,913
25-54	46,400	48,258	47,747	46,846
55-64	12,929	11,494	15,269	16,061
65-84	18,717	18,254	16,280	19,131
85+	2,060	3,080	4,109	3,981
Total	121,003	122,293	123,152	124,609

Population by Race/Hispanic Origin 1990-2000 (Single Race Only)

Percent Change



Family Households

	2000	1990	% Change
Total households	46,755	45,676	2.4%
Family households	32,494	33,619	-3.3%
Married couple family with children	10,359	11,662	-11.2%
Married couple family without children	15,565	16,180	-3.8%
Female householder (no husband present) with children	2,812	2,392	17.6%
Male householder (no wife present) with children	788	506	55.7%
Non-family households	14,261	12,057	18.3%



Types of Housing Units (2000)

Housing units	49,859
Single family homes (detached 1 unit housing)	36,684
Townhouses/duplexes (attached 1 unit housing)	829
Small apartment buildings (less than 5 units)	3,739
Large apartment buildings (5 or more unit housing)	3,874
Mobile homes	4,721
Other types of housing units	12

Housing Values (2000)

Median value of specified owner-occupied housing	\$76,000
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Persons in Households

	2000	1990	% Change
Total households	46,755	45,676	2.4%
1 person	12,601	11,139	13.1%
2 persons	16,451	15,403	6.8%
3 persons	7,620	8,133	-6.3%
4 persons	6,277	6,893	-8.9%
5 persons	2,611	2,932	-10.9%
6 persons	850	770	10.4%
7 or more persons	345	406	-15.0%
Persons 65 and older			
Living alone	5,956	6,109	-2.5%

Renter / Owner Costs (2000)

Median cost of specified renter-occupied housing	\$443
Median cost of specified owner-occupied housing	
with a mortgage	\$771
not mortgaged	\$286

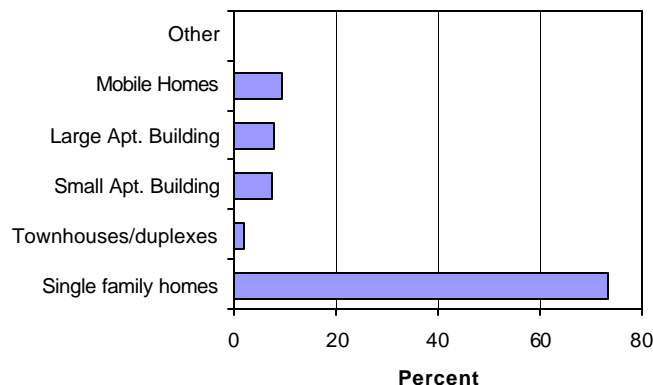
House Heating Fuel

	2000	1990	% Change
Utility gas	31,744	31,417	1.0%
Bottled, tank or lp gas	1,283	996	28.8%
Electricity	4,819	2,227	116.4%
Fuel oil, kerosene, etc.	7,161	8,210	-12.8%
Coal or coke	74	357	-79.3%
Wood	1,287	2,120	-39.3%
Solar energy	2	4	-50.0%
Other Fuel	270	221	22.2%
No fuel used	72	39	84.6%

Number of Rooms

	2000	1990	% Change
1 room	212	224	-5.4%
2 rooms	536	567	-5.5%
3 rooms	2,940	3,108	-5.4%
4 rooms	6,546	7,267	-9.9%
5 rooms	11,461	11,622	-1.4%
6 rooms	12,992	12,924	0.5%
7 rooms	7,397	6,809	8.6%
8 rooms	4,179	3,523	18.6%
9+ rooms	3,596	2,645	36.0%

Type of Housing Units



Occupancy and Tenure (2000)

Total housing units	49,859
Occupied housing units	46,712
Owner occupied	35,613
Renter occupied	11,099
Vacant units	3,147

Urban / Rural Housing (2000)

Urban housing units	26,191
Rural housing units	23,668
Total housing units	49,859
Percent urban	52.5%
Percent rural	47.5%

Plumbing (2000)

Complete plumbing facilities	49,254
Lacking complete plumbing facilities	605

Year Structure Built

	Number	% of Total
Total	49,859	
1999 to March 2000	419	0.8%
1995 to 1998	2,116	4.2%
1990 to 1994	2,051	4.1%
1980 to 1989	3,678	7.4%
1970 to 1979	7,028	14.1%
1960 to 1969	5,647	11.3%
Before 1960	28,920	58.0%

Building Permits

New Residential Housing Units

1998	327
1999	351
2000	432
2001	285
2002	461



Persons Below Poverty, by Age

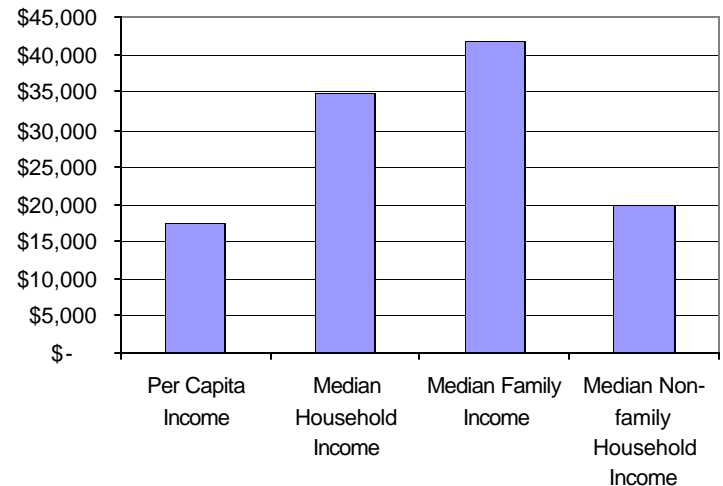
	1999	1989
Under 12 years	1,687	3,851
12 to 17	1,434	1,666
18 to 24	1,442	1,720
25 to 44	3,125	3,724
45 to 64	2,202	2,079
65 to 74	681	1,008
75 years and over	779	761

Per Capita Income	Median Household Income	Median Family Income	Median Non-family Household Income
\$17,636	\$34,666	\$41,776	\$19,975

Household and Family Income (2000)

	Households	Families
Less than \$10,000	4,486	1,813
\$10,000 to \$14,999	3,613	1,357
\$15,000 to \$19,999	3,946	2,035
\$20,000 to \$24,999	4,028	2,427
\$25,000 to \$29,999	3,788	2,651
\$30,000 to \$34,999	3,739	2,644
\$35,000 to \$39,999	3,126	2,435
\$40,000 to \$44,999	2,983	2,388
\$45,000 to \$49,999	2,623	2,030
\$50,000 to \$59,999	4,445	3,849
\$60,000 to \$74,999	4,184	3,617
\$75,000 to \$99,999	3,246	2,960
\$100,000 to \$124,999	1,243	1,146
\$125,000 to \$149,999	371	349
\$150,000 to \$199,999	430	400
\$200,000 and more	504	393

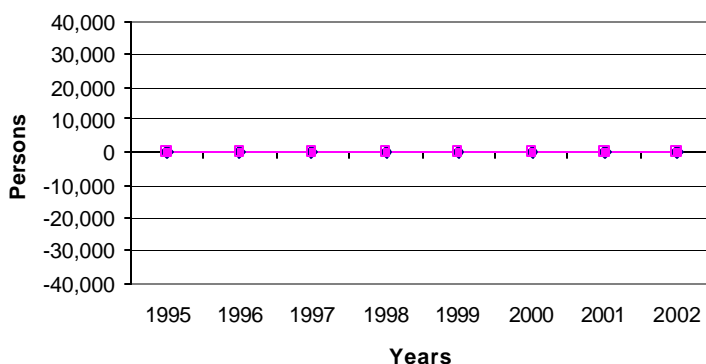
Incomes 1999



Affordable Housing

Percent of Income by Tenure	Percent of County Median Income		
	Below 80%	80% to 115%	Above 115%
Owner-Occupied			
< 30% for housing	5,707	610	8,118
30% or more for housing	3,196	6,609	231
Renter-Occupied			
< 30% for housing	6,031	2,797	227
30% or more for housing	3,607	3,489	1,428

Population Migration



Migration Summary

	For the Period	
	1995-2000	1985-1990
Same Residence	74,164	82,046
Moved		
Same PA County	24,324	23,995
From Other PA County	7,826	8,481
From Other States	6,769	6,206
From Overseas	413	275
To Other States	7,842	8,793



Industry (Employed Persons Age 16 and Older) (2000)

Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting, and mining	850
Construction	2,642
Manufacturing	10,501
Wholesale trade	1,984
Retail trade	6,970
Transportation and warehousing, and utilities	2,594
Information	835
Finance, insurance, real estate and rental and leasing	2,179
Professional, scientific, management, administrative, and waste management services	2,425
Education, health and social services	12,362
Arts, entertainment, recreation, accommodation and food services	4,036
Other services (except public administration)	2,588
Public administration	2,176

Occupation (Employed Persons Age 16 and Older) (2000)

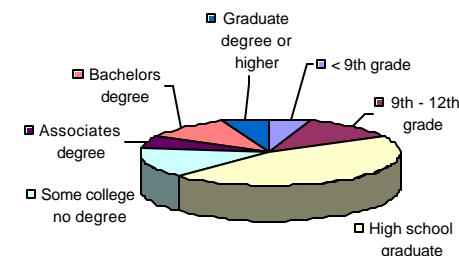
Management, professional, and related occupations	14,392
Service Occupations	9,001
Sales and office occupations	13,203
Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations	319
Construction, extraction, and maintenance occupations	4,281
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	10,946

Educational Attainment

Persons Age 25 and Older (2000)

Total persons age 25+	81,499
< 9 th grade	3,975
9 th - 12 th grade	9,921
High school graduate	36,823
Some college no degree	12,285
Associates degree	4,402
Bachelors degree	9,191
Graduate or professional	4,902

Educational Attainment



Gender by Age by Employment Disability by Employment Status (2000)

16-20 years	Male	Female
With an employment disability:	493	420
Employed	218	207
Not employed	275	213
No Employment disability:	3,848	3,843
Employed	1,643	1,574
Not employed	2,205	2,269
21-64 years	Male	Female
With an employment disability:	5,889	5,515
Employed	3,282	2,714
Not employed	2,607	2,801
No Employment disability:	25,109	27,327
Employed	21,010	19,436
Not employed	4,099	7,891
65 and Older	Male	Female
With a disability	3,105	4,461
No disability	5,452	7,389

Employment Status by Gender (2000)

Male:	
In armed forces	47
Civilian: employed	27,529
Civilian: unemployed	2,098
Not in labor force	15,890
Female:	
In armed forces	9
Civilian: employed	24,613
Civilian: unemployed	1,255
Not in labor force	24,223

Commuter Summary (2000)

Work within county of residence	40,319
Work within PA; outside county of residence	6,112
Work outside PA	4,689