

GROWTH TRENDS

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2013 Detailed State and County Population Estimates

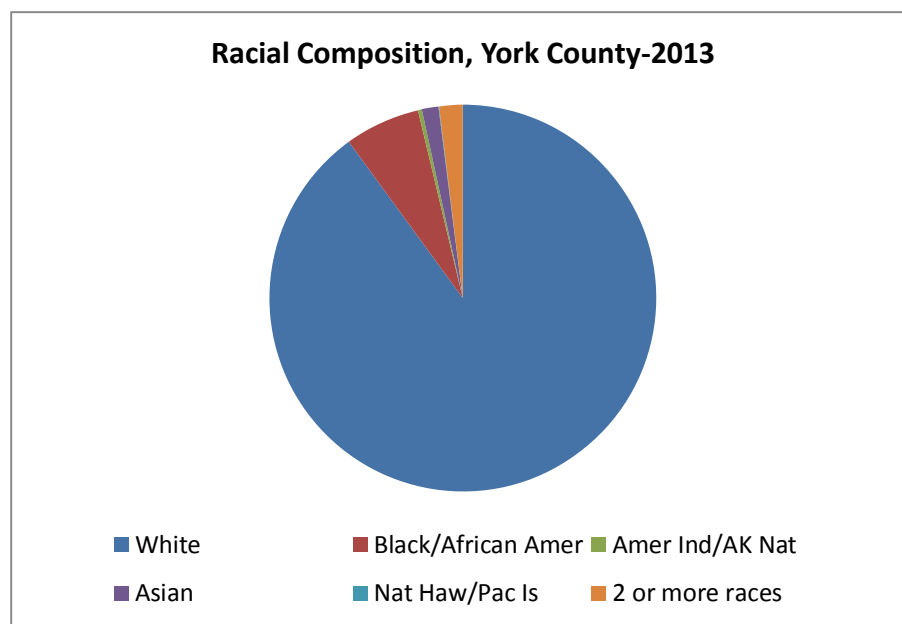
As happens annually in June, the US Census Bureau recently released the 2013 detailed state and county population estimates. Data includes estimates regarding age, race, and Hispanic origin. This is the third set of estimates to be released by the US Census Bureau since the 2010 Census. It allows for some shorter term trends to be analyzed.

Race

The 2013 estimated total population of Pennsylvania is 12,773,801. Approximately 83% of the total population is White. The minority population is comprised of 11.5% Black/ African American, 0.3% American Indian/Alaska Native, 3.1% Asian and 0.06% Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander. All counties in PA experienced an increase in minority population since 2010. Philadelphia County has the largest minority population in the State (63.7%)

In York County, the racial composition is slightly less diverse than the State as a whole. Of the total 438,965 persons, 90% are White. This is slightly lower than 2010 when 91% of the total population was White.

As shown in the pie chart, the largest minority group is Black/African American which represents about 6% of the total population. The Asian population increased very slightly to 1.4% of the total population. About 2% of the population identifies itself as two or more races.



Source: US Census Bureau, 2013 Detailed State and County Population Estimates

Hispanic Origin

The 2000 Census was the first to differentiate Hispanic origin from the category of race. Statewide in 2013, 6.3% of the total population identified themselves as Hispanic of any race. In York County, in 2013, there were 27,731 Hispanic persons which comprise just over 6% of the total population. This is a slight increase from 2010, with 24,397 (5.6%)

Age

The age distribution of a population is interesting to examine as much can be learned from it. *How large is our workforce population? How many Baby Boomers? How many children under 5 years?* The answers to these and similar questions can be useful when planning for future housing, education and recreational needs.

Our population does continue to age. In 2013, more than two (2) million Pennsylvanians were 65 years of age or older. About 21% of the total population is under the age of 18 years. Statewide, Sullivan County has the highest percentage of persons ages 65 years and older at 26.5%. Since 2010, 49 Pennsylvania counties have had a decline in the number of residents ages 18-64 years.

The age distribution for York County is shown in the table below.

2013 York County Age Distribution		
Age Group	#	%
Under 5	25,344	5.8%
5-13	50,710	11.6%
14-17	23,200	5.3%
18-24	37,144	8.5%
25-44	108,188	24.6%
45-64	126,293	28.8%
65 and over	68,086	15.5%

Source: US Census Bureau, 2013 Detailed State and County Population Estimates

As shown, the highest percent of the County's total population is within the 45-64 age group. Since 2010, the 65 years and older cohort has increased by almost 12%. The 18-24 years cohort has decreased by about 2% from 2010 to 2013.

In 2013, the median age in Pennsylvania is 40.7 years, up from 40.1 years in 2010. York County's median age is 41 years, which is an increase from 40.1 in 2010.

For more information regarding the 2013 Detailed State and County Population Estimates, please visit the US Census Bureau website or follow this link:
<https://www.census.gov/popest/>.