Demographic Changes in Long Island

POPULATION

I.



Source: U.S. Census of Population



Source: 2000 U.S. Census of Population, 2001-2009 American Community Survey; data compiled by RPA.

Housing Prices



Change in the Number of 25-34 and 55+ Year Olds Between 2000 and 2009



Source: 2000 U.S. Census of Population, 2009 American Community Survey; data compiled by RPA.

Distribution of racial and ethnic groups









Source: 2009 American Community Survey; data compiled by RPA.

CHART 2: SHARE OF POPULATION BY RACE AND ETHNICITY, 2000





Source: U.S. Census of Population

Racial groups, ethnicity, and religious groups on Long Island

compared to state and nation

County M	Population 2000 census	% white I	% black or African American	% Asian ⊯	% Other I	% mixed race I	% Hispanic/ Latino of any race M	X	% Catholic ⊮	% not affiliated ⊯	% Jewish I	% Protestant	Estimate of % not reporting
		F	lace			Ethnicity			Rel	igious g	roups		
Kings	2,465,326	41.2	36.4	7.5	10.6	4.3	19.8		37	4	15	8	33
Queens	2,229,379	44.1	20.0	17.6	12.3	6.1	25.0		29	37	11	5	15
Nassau	1,334,544	79.3	10.1	4.7	3.8	2.1	10.0		52	9	16	7	15
Suffolk	1,419,369	84.6	6.9	2.4	4.0	2.1	10.5		52	21	7	8	11
Long Island Total	7,448,618	57.2	21.2	9.0	8.6	4.0	17.8		40	18	12	7	20
NY State	18,976,457	67.9	15.9	5.5	7.5	3.1	15.1		42	20	9	10	16
USA	281,421,906	75.1	12.3	3.6	6.5	2.4	12.5		22	37	2	23	12
			Sour	rce for l	Race ar	nd Ethni	city: 2000 (Cens	us ^[11]				

American Indian, Native Alaskan, Native Hawaiian, and Pacific Islander make up just 0.4% of the population of Long Island, and have been included with "Other".

Source for religious groups: ARDA^[13]

Long Island population and immigrant share, 1900 to 2009



Population Diversity

Population, by race/ethnicity



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population	1990	2000	2005-07	number)
White	84%	76%	72%	-12%
U.Sborn	2,058,736	1,966,405	1,877,107	-181,629
Foreign-born	142,549	178,237	131,875	-10,674
Black	7%	8%	9%	1%
U.Sborn	155,983	178,237	180,581	24,598
Foreign-born	30,364	47,112	56,438	26,074
Hispanic/Latino	6%	10%	13%	7%
U.Sborn	95,432	153,358	188,877	93,445
Foreign-born	61,858	130,655	160,786	98,928
Asian total	2%	3%	5%	2%
U.Sborn	19,759	27,869	41,939	22,180
Foreign-born	41,928	66,326	91,936	50,008
Total	100%	100%	100%	
U.Sborn	2,335,077	2,357,398	2,322,071	-13,006
Foreign-born	277,572	394,643	449,012	171,440

Top countries of birth for immigrants on Long Island 2005-07

Country of birth	Frequency	Share of all immigrants
El Salvador	56,761	13%
India	29,746	7%
Italy	24,597	5%
Dominican Republic	21,540	5%
Jamaica	20,965	5%
Haiti	18,002	4%
Ecuador	13,721	3%
Philippines	13,410	3%
Colombia	12,920	3%
Korea	12,200	3%
Honduras	10,632	2%
Poland	10,480	2%
China	10,414	2%
Guatemala	10,289	2%
Pakistan	9,712	2%
Peru	9,098	2%
Germany	9,091	2%
Mexico	8,502	2%
Trinidad and Tobago	7,599	2%
Iran	7,294	2%
Other	132,039	29%
All immigrants	449,012	100%

Aging

 Long Island's median age of 39.5 is significantly higher than the national median of 35.3, and the population is aging at a faster rate. Between 2000 and 2006, the share of the population over age 55 grew by 2.5 % on Long Island, compared to 1.9 % in the U.S, while the population between the ages of 20 and 34 declined 1.7% on Long Island, more than twice the U.S. decline of 0.6%.

Aging Population

Labor force, by nativity



Long Island labor force	1990	2000	Change, 1990 2005-07 to 2005-07			
U.Sborn	1,223,048	1,134,429	1,112,748	-110,300	-9%	
White	1,101,214	984,384	947,390	-153,824	-14%	
Black	73,472	75,504	76,401	2,929	4%	
Hispanic/Latino	42,372	56,550	65,910	23,538	56%	
Asian	3,560	6,094	11,021	7,461	210%	
Other	2,430	11,897	12,026	9,596	n/a	
Foreign-born	169,283	236,649	292,749	123,466	73%	
White	75,550	72,052	69,768	-5,782	-8%	
Black	23,214	32,672	42,029	18,815	81%	
Hispanic/Latino	43,414	81,671	116,255	72,841	168%	
Asian	26,620	40,908	59,248	32,628	123%	
Other	485	9,346	5,449	4,964	n/a	
Total	1,392,331	1,371,078	1,405,497	13,166	1%	

Unemployment

Long Island unemployment in the economic downturn

	2006			2007				2008		2009		
	US-	Foreign-										
	Born	Born	Total									
All	4.1%	3.3%	3.9%	3.9%	3.6%	3.8%	4.8%	5.0%	4.8%	7.0%	7.6%	7.1%
Men	4.3%	2.9%	4.0%	4.1%	3.5%	4.0%	5.4%	4.4%	5.2%	7.4%	5.4%	6.9%
Women	3.8%	4.0%	3.8%	3.6%	3.8%	3.6%	4.1%	5.6%	4.4%	6.6%	10.4%	7.3%

Most immigrants on Long Island work white-collar jobs



...and 30 percent of Latino immigrants work in white-collar jobs

Population changes summary

The share of the Long Island population that is white decreased from 84 percent in 1990 to 72 percent in 2005/07. About half of the growth in non-white population has been due to immigration, and about half to people who were born in the United States. The U.S.-born share includes people who move to Long Island from New York City, people who come from other states, people who come from Puerto Rico and other U.S. territories, and children born in Long Island to immigrant parents and U.S.-born people of color

Fiscal Policy Institute. (2010). The Changing Profile of Long Island's Economy: How U.S.-Born Workers Have Fared As Immigration Has Grown

How will this population assimilate?

