

District of Columbia

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2012 DC Population Estimates

Introduction

The U.S. Census Bureau's Population Estimates Program (PEP) produces estimates of the population for the nation states, counties, cities, and towns. Demographic components of population change (births, deaths, and migration) are produced at the national, state, and county levels of geography. This report reflects the July 1, 2012 annual population estimates for the District of Columbia.

These estimates are used in federal funding allocations, as survey controls, as denominators for vital rates and per capita time series, and as indicators of recent demographic changes. With each new release of annual estimates, the entire time series of estimates is revised for all years back to the last census. All previously published estimates are superseded and archived.

Annual Estimates of the DC Resident Population by Age and Sex

- In 2012, the DC population was 632,323, an increase of 13,303 people since July 1, 2011.
- The most populated age group in 2012 was the 25 to 29 year olds, comprising 12.0% of the total population.
- The youth population, individuals under the age of 18, represented 17.3% (109,480) of the total population.
- The senior population, individuals over the age of 65, represented 11.4% (71,889) of the total population.
- In 2012, 52.7% of the population was female, while 47.3% was male.
- In 2012, men had a lower median age compared to women, 33.4 for men compared to 33.8 for women.

Table 1. 2012 DC Population by Age and Sex

Age	Sex		Total	
	Male	Female	Number	Percent
Under 5	19,743	19,133	38,876	6.1%
5 to 9	14,470	14,255	28,725	4.5%
10 to 14	13,037	12,651	25,688	4.1%
15 to 19	18,409	20,511	38,920	6.2%
20 to 24	27,114	32,649	59,763	9.5%
25 to 29	34,790	41,207	75,997	12.0%
30 to 34	30,830	33,095	63,925	10.1%
35 to 39	22,337	22,744	45,081	7.1%
40 to 44	20,377	19,854	40,231	6.4%
45 to 49	19,337	18,841	38,178	6.0%
50 to 54	18,541	18,971	37,512	5.9%
55 to 59	16,848	19,096	35,944	5.7%
60 to 64	14,164	17,430	31,594	5.0%
65 to 69	10,396	12,973	23,369	3.7%
70 to 74	7,123	9,206	16,329	2.6%
75 to 79	4,758	7,149	11,907	1.9%
80 to 84	3,424	5,857	9,281	1.5%
85 and over	3,343	7,660	11,003	1.7%
Total	299,041	333,282	632,323	100.0%
<i>Under 18</i>	<i>55,208</i>	<i>54,272</i>	<i>109,480</i>	<i>17.3%</i>
<i>65 and over</i>	<i>29,044</i>	<i>42,845</i>	<i>71,889</i>	<i>11.4%</i>

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Population Division, 2012

**Table 2. Annual Estimates of the Resident Population for Selected Age Groups for District of Columbia:
April 1, 2010 to July 1, 2012**

Sex and Age	April 1, 2010		Population Estimate (as of July 1)			Change					
	Census	Estimate Base	2010	2011	2012	Census 2010-11		2011-2012		Census 2010-2012	
						Number	%	Number	%	Number	%
Both sexes	601,723	601,723	604,989	619,020	632,323	17,297	2.9	13,303	2.1	30,600	5.1
Under 5 years	32,613	32,613	32,733	36,089	38,876	3,476	10.7	2,787	7.7	6,263	19.2
5 to 9 years	26,147	26,147	26,207	27,113	28,725	966	3.7	1,612	5.9	2,578	9.9
10 to 14 years	25,041	25,041	25,129	25,281	25,688	240	1.0	407	1.6	647	2.6
15 to 19 years	39,919	39,919	39,905	39,254	38,920	-665	-1.7	-334	-0.9	-999	-2.5
20 to 24 years	64,110	64,110	64,669	62,029	59,763	-2,081	-3.2	-2,266	-3.7	-4,347	-6.8
25 to 29 years	69,649	69,649	70,028	73,600	75,997	3,951	5.7	2,397	3.3	6,348	9.1
30 to 34 years	55,096	55,096	55,624	59,864	63,925	4,768	8.7	4,061	6.8	8,829	16.0
35 to 39 years	42,925	42,925	42,886	43,566	45,081	641	1.5	1,515	3.5	2,156	5.0
40 to 44 years	37,734	37,734	37,864	39,203	40,231	1,469	3.9	1,028	2.6	2,497	6.6
45 to 49 years	38,539	38,539	38,596	38,467	38,178	-72	-0.2	-289	-0.8	-361	-0.9
50 to 54 years	37,164	37,164	37,421	37,608	37,512	444	1.2	-96	-0.3	348	0.9
55 to 59 years	34,274	34,274	34,658	35,276	35,944	1,002	2.9	668	1.9	1,670	4.9
60 to 64 years	29,703	29,703	30,184	31,663	31,594	1,960	6.6	-69	-0.2	1,891	6.4
65 to 69 years	21,488	21,488	21,580	22,096	23,369	608	2.8	1,273	5.8	1,881	8.8
70 to 74 years	15,481	15,481	15,545	15,797	16,329	316	2.0	532	3.4	848	5.5
75 to 79 years	11,820	11,820	11,833	11,866	11,907	46	0.4	41	0.3	87	0.7
80 to 84 years	9,705	9,705	9,719	9,541	9,281	-164	-1.7	-260	-2.7	-424	-4.4
85 years and over	10,315	10,315	10,408	10,707	11,003	392	3.8	296	2.8	688	6.7
Under 18 years	100,815	100,815	101,037	104,980	109,480	4,165	4.1	4,500	4.3	8,665	8.6
Under 5 years	32,613	32,613	32,733	36,089	38,876	3,476	10.7	2,787	7.7	6,263	19.2
5 to 13 years	46,048	46,048	46,223	47,268	49,377	1,220	2.6	2,109	4.5	3,329	7.2
14 to 17 years	22,154	22,154	22,081	21,623	21,227	-531	-2.4	-396	-1.8	-927	-4.2
18 to 64 years	432,099	432,099	434,867	444,033	450,954	11,934	2.8	6,921	1.6	18,855	4.4
18 to 24 years	87,015	87,015	87,606	84,786	82,492	-2,229	-2.6	-2,294	-2.7	-4,523	-5.2
25 to 44 years	205,404	205,404	206,402	216,233	225,234	10,829	5.3	9,001	4.2	19,830	9.7
45 to 64 years	139,680	139,680	140,859	143,014	143,228	3,334	2.4	214	0.1	3,548	2.5
65 years and over	68,809	68,809	69,085	70,007	71,889	1,198	1.7	1,882	2.7	3,080	4.5
85 years and over	10,315	10,315	10,408	10,707	11,003	392	3.8	296	2.8	688	6.7
16 years and over	512,575	512,575	515,600	525,399	533,859	12,824	2.5	8,460	1.6	21,284	4.2
18 years and over	500,908	500,908	503,952	514,040	522,843	13,132	2.6	8,803	1.7	21,935	4.4
15 to 44 years	309,433	309,433	310,976	317,516	323,917	8,083	2.6	6,401	2.0	14,484	4.7
Median age (years)	33.8	33.8	33.8	33.7	33.6	-0.1	-0.3	-0.1	-0.3	-0.2	-0.6

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

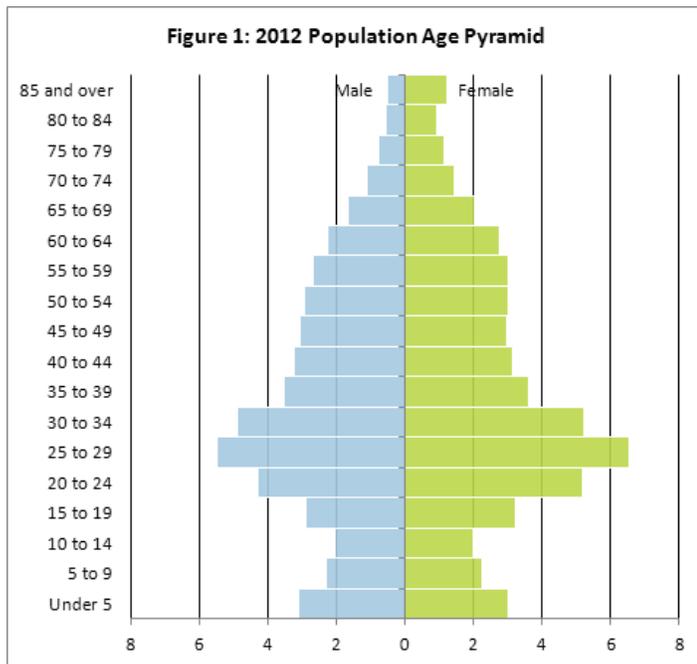
Five-Year Age Cohorts 2011-2012

- Increases in population in age groups 0-4 years (2,787 people), 5-9 years (1,612 people), 10-14 years (407 people), 25-29 years (2,397 people) and every other age group except the 15-19 years (-334 people), 20-24 years (-2,266 people), 45-49 years (-289 people), 50-54 years (-96 people), 60-64 years (-69 people) and 80-84 years (-260 people). See Table 2.
- Largest percentage increase in age groups were in the 0-4 years (7.7%), 30-34 years (6.8%), 5-9 years (6.0%), and 65-69 years (5.8%) and largest percentage loss were the 20-24 years (-3.7%), 80-84 years (-2.7%), all other age group losses were less than 1.0%
- Population under 18 years increased by 4,500 people or 4.3%.
- Population 25-44 years increased by 9,000 people or 4.2%.
- Population 65 years and over increased by 1,882 or 2.7%.
- The District of Columbia had the highest percentage of blacks (51.6%), followed by Mississippi (38.0%).
- Five states or equivalents were "majority-minority" in 2012: Hawaii (77.2% minority), District of Columbia (64.5%), California (60.6%), New Mexico (60.2%), and Texas (55.5%).

- Unlike the rest of the nation, DC is among the only six states or state equivalents to experience a decline in median age - DC's median age declined from 33.8 years in 2010, to 33.7 years in 2011, to 33.6 years in 2012.

Five-Year Age Cohorts 2010-2012

- Increases in population in age groups 0-4 years (6,263 people), 5-9 years (2,578 people), 10-14 years (647 people), 25-29 years (6,348 people) and every other age group except the 15-19 years (-999 people), 20-24 years (-4,347 people), 45-49 years (-361 people), and 80-84 years (-424 people). See Table 2.
- Largest percentage increase in age groups were in the 0-4 years (19.2%), 30-34 years (16.0%), 5-9 years (10.0%), and 25-29 years (9.0%) and largest percentage loss were the 20-24 years (-6.8%), 80-84 years (-4.4%), 15-19 years (-2.5%), and 45-49 years (-0.9%).
- Population under 18 years increased by 8,665 people or 8.6%.
- Population 25-44 years increased by 19,830 people or 9.7%.
- Population 65 years and over increased by 3,080 people or 4.5%.



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Population Division, 2012

Table 3. 2012 DC Hispanic Population

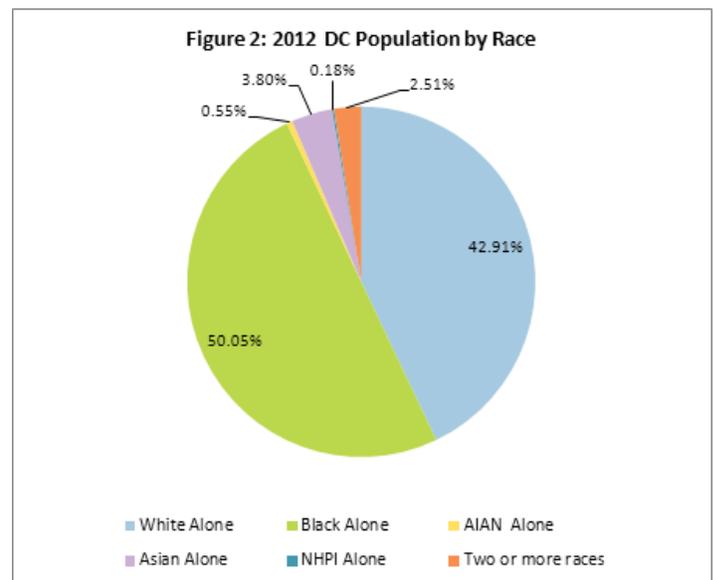
Hispanic Origin	Count	Percentage
White Alone	46,996	74.9%
Black Alone	9,332	14.9%
AIAN Alone	2,081	3.3%
Asian Alone	795	1.3%
NHPI Alone	755	1.2%
Two or more races	2,767	4.4%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Population Division, 2012

Annual Estimates of the DC Resident Population by Race, and Hispanic Origin

There are five main race categories used by the Census Bureau: White, Black, American Indian and Alaska Native (AIAN), Asian, and Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander (NHPI). An additional category called "Two or more races" is used for anyone reporting two or more races (not including Hispanic). Hispanic origin is an ethnicity and Hispanics can be of any race.

- The two most populated race groups in DC were blacks alone with 50.1% (316,482) of the total population and whites alone with 42.9% (271,323) of the total population (Figure 2).



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Population Division, 2012

- In 2012, individuals identifying as Hispanic Origin represented 9.9% (62,726) of the total population.
- Of the Hispanic population in DC, 74.9% are white Hispanic and 14.9% are black Hispanic (Table 3).
- Between Census 2010 and 2012, the population increased for all race groups:
 - ▶ White (20,058 people or 8.0%)
 - ▶ Black (6,103 people or 2.0%)
 - ▶ Asian (2,329 people or 10.7%)
 - ▶ American Indian (224 people or 6.9%)
 - ▶ Native Hawaiian (361 people or 46.9%)
- White population as a percentage of the total District population increased from 41.8% in Census 2010 to 42.9% in July 2012. Whites increased numerically from 251,265 in Census 2010 to 271,323 in July 2012**.
- Black population as a percentage of the total District population decreased from 51.6% in Census 2010 to 50.1% in July 2012 even though the total number of Blacks increased from 310,379 in 2010 to 316,482 in July 2012**.

** Since the Redistricting 2010 data was released the Census Bureau has done some race modification reconciliation of the 2010 Census race categories with the official Office of Management and Budget (OMB) race categories. Hence population numbers and percentages by race differs substantially from those published in the 2010 Redistricting data products.

Table 4. DC Population Percent by Race and Hispanic Origin - 2010, 2011, 2012

Percent of Population by Race and Ethnicity	2010 Census		2011 Estimate		2012 Estimate		
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
Total	601,723	100.0%	619,020	100.0%	632,323	100.0%	
Race Alone	White	251,265	41.8%	262,041	42.3%	271,323	42.9%
	Black	310,379	51.6%	314,433	50.8%	316,482	50.1%
	American Indian and Alaska Native	3,264	0.5%	3,371	0.5%	3,488	0.6%
	Asian	21,705	3.6%	23,001	3.7%	24,034	3.8%
	Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	770	0.1%	946	0.2%	1,131	0.2%
Two or more races	14,340	2.4%	15,228	2.5%	15,865	2.5%	
Hispanic or Latino Origin	54,749	9.1%	58,744	9.5%	62,726	9.9%	

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2010 Census Bureau and Population Division, 2011, 2012

Table 5. DC Population Percent Change by Race and Hispanic Origin - 2010, 2011, 2012

Percent of Population by Race and Ethnicity	Change 2011 Estimate to 2012 Estimate		Change 2010 Census to 2012 Estimate		
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	
Total	13,303	2.1%	30,600	5.1%	
Race Alone	White	9,282	3.5%	20,058	8.0%
	Black	2,049	0.7%	6,103	2.0%
	American Indian and Alaska Native	117	3.5%	224	6.9%
	Asian	1,033	4.5%	2,329	10.7%
	Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	185	19.6%	361	46.9%
Two or more races	637	4.2%	1,525	10.6%	
Hispanic or Latino Origin	3,982	6.8%	7,977	14.6%	

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2010 Census Bureau and Population Division, 2011, 2012

• Hispanics

- ▶ Hispanic population increased from 54,749 people in 2010, to 58,744 people in 2011, to 62,726 people in 2012.
- ▶ Hispanic population increased 6.8% between July 2011-July 2012 and by 14.6% between Census 2010-July 2012.
- ▶ Hispanics as a share of the total DC population increased from 9.1% in 2010 to 9.9% in 2012.

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