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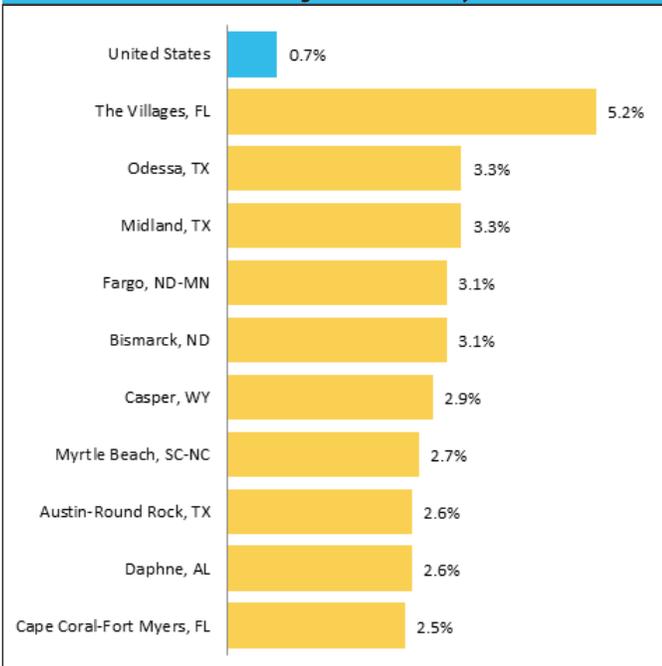
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DC Contributes Most to Metro Area Population Growth

Introduction

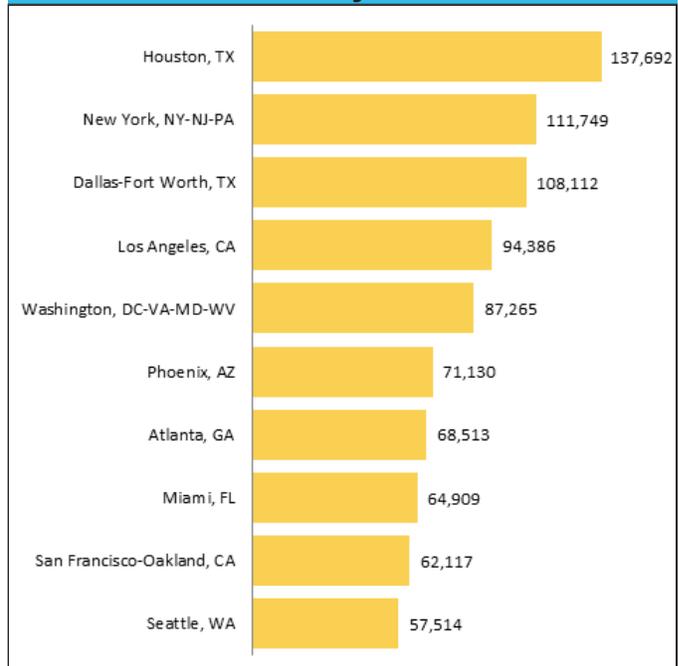
According to data recently released by the U.S. Census Bureau, energy boom has fueled rapid population growth as oil- and gas-rich areas in and near the Great Plains contained many of the fastest-growing areas in the U.S. between July 2012 and July 2013. Of the nation's 10 fastest-growing metropolitan statistical areas in the year ending July 1, 2013, six were within or near the Great Plains, including Odessa, Texas; Midland, Texas; Fargo, N.D.-Minn.; Bismarck, N.D.; Casper, Wyo.; and Austin-Round Rock, Texas (Fig. 1). Of the 50 fastest-growing metro areas, net migration was the largest contributor to population growth in all but five. The exceptions (in which natural increase was the largest contributor) were Ogden-Clearfield, Utah; Provo-Orem, Utah; Dallas-Fort Worth; Washington, D.C. metro area; and Salt Lake City. The Washington, DC-VA-MD-WV Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) had the fifth highest numerical population increase in the year ending July 2013 (Fig. 2). DC made the largest contribution to the Washington, DC-VA-MD-WV MSA growth by adding 13,022 persons or 14.9 percent of total growth in the last year. In-migration contributed more to population growth in DC than natural increase by a ratio of two to one.

**Fig 1. County and Metro Population July 1, 2012 – July 1, 2013
10 Fastest Growing Metro Areas by Percent**



Source: U.S. Census Bureau

**Fig 2. County and Metro Population July 1, 2012 – July 1, 2013
10 Metro Areas with Largest Numeric Increase**



Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Washington DC MSA (Wash. DC - MSA) Highlights

(DC is a county equivalent)

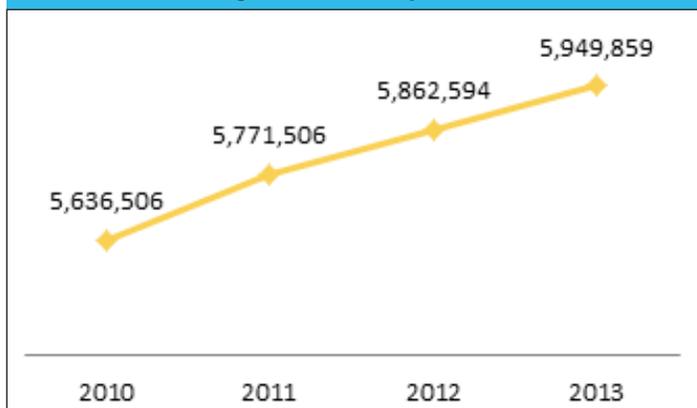
- Total population for the Wash. DC - MSA for 2013 was 5,949,859, up from 5,636,232 or 5.6% since Census 2010 (Table 1 & Fig. 3).
- Total population change for the Wash. DC - MSA between July 2010 and July 2011 was 106,717; July 2011 to July 2012 was 91,088; and July 2012 to July 2013 was 87,265 (Fig. 4).

Table 1. Washington, DC Metropolitan Statistical Area Population by County and Equivalent

Jurisdiction	Census 2010	July 1, 2010	July 1, 2011	July 1, 2012	July 1, 2013
Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV	5,636,232	5,664,789	5,771,506	5,862,594	5,949,859
Fairfax County, VA	1,081,726	1,086,460	1,104,147	1,118,683	1,130,924
Montgomery County, MD	971,777	975,630	991,572	1,004,476	1,016,677
Prince George's County, MD	863,420	865,615	874,129	881,419	890,081
District of Columbia, DC	601,723	605,125	619,624	633,427	646,449
Prince William County, VA	402,002	406,392	419,268	430,100	438,580
Loudoun County, VA	312,311	315,426	326,371	337,248	349,679
Frederick County, MD	233,385	234,174	237,293	239,520	241,409
Arlington County, VA	207,627	209,311	216,174	221,275	224,906
Charles County, MD	146,551	147,114	149,294	150,710	152,864
Alexandria city, VA	139,966	140,826	144,340	146,839	148,892
Stafford County, VA	128,961	129,788	132,148	134,251	136,788
Spotsylvania County, VA	122,397	122,891	124,544	125,772	127,348
Calvert County, MD	88,737	88,942	89,298	89,694	90,484
Fauquier County, VA	65,203	65,380	66,056	66,526	67,207
Jefferson County, WV	53,498	53,641	54,329	54,558	55,073
Culpeper County, VA	46,689	46,807	47,311	47,789	48,506
Manassas city, VA	37,821	38,252	39,289	40,663	41,705
Warren County, VA	37,575	37,516	37,687	38,037	38,699
Fredericksburg city, VA	24,286	24,454	25,904	27,390	28,132
Fairfax city, VA	22,565	22,597	22,749	23,398	23,973
Manassas Park city, VA	14,273	14,453	15,539	15,871	16,149
Clarke County, VA	14,034	14,045	14,224	14,321	14,348
Falls Church city, VA	12,332	12,452	12,731	13,179	13,508
Rappahannock County, VA	7,373	7,498	7,485	7,448	7,478

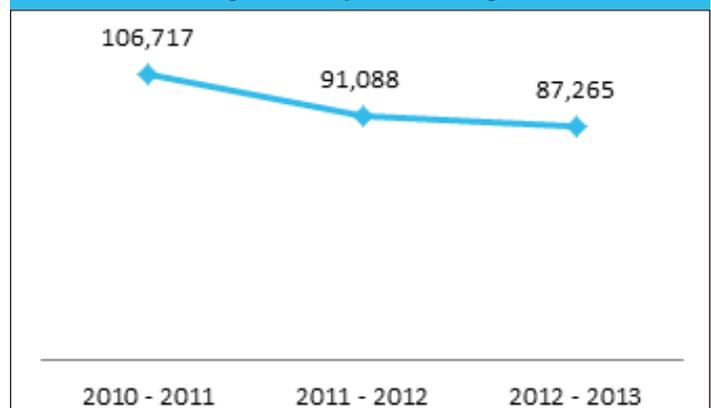
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Population Division 2013 estimate

Fig 3. MSA Total Population



Source: U.S. Census Bureau

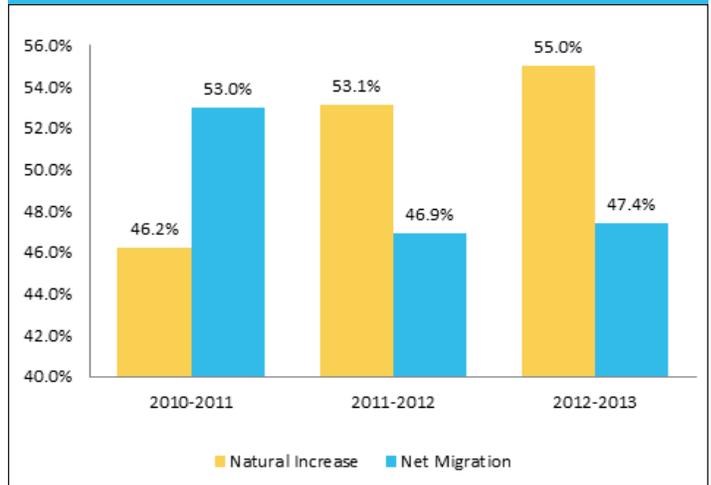
Fig 4. MSA Population Change



Source: U.S. Census Bureau

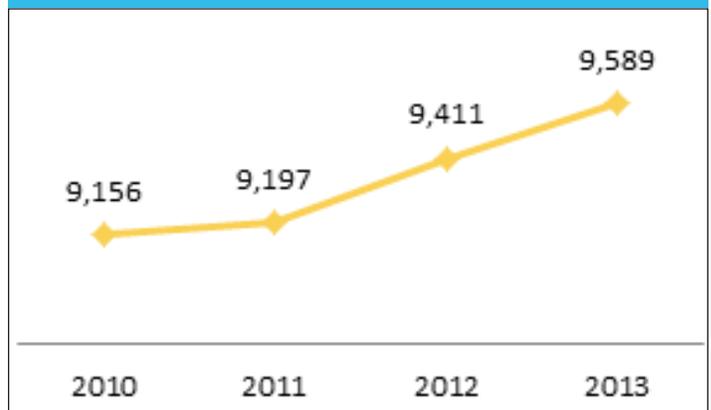
- Natural Increase was the largest contributor to population growth in the Wash. DC - MSA since 2011. Natural increase constituted 46% of total population change between July 2010 and July 2011; 53.1% between July 2011 and July 2012; and 55% between July 2012 and July 2013 (Fig. 5).
- The District contributed over 9,000 births to the Wash. DC - MSA each year and ranked fourth in overall total contribution, which was also consistent with its share of total population in the Wash. DC - MSA (601,723 or 10.7% of total MSA population in Census 2010, and 646,449 or 10.9% in July 2013) (Fig. 6 & 7). Most births occurred in Fairfax County, VA (averaged 15,000 each year).
- The District displaced Fairfax County, VA for largest contribution to population growth in the Wash. DC - MSA between July 2012 and July 2013 when the District added 13,022 people or 14.9% of the MSA growth (Table 2). Loudoun County, VA took second place between July 2012 and July 2013, adding 12,431 people or 14.2% of the MSA growth, and Fairfax dropped to the third largest population growth contributor.
- The District had the highest net migration rates for the Wash. DC - MSA among counties or equivalent since 2010. Of the 56,569 net migrants to the Wash. DC - MSA between July 2010 and July 2011, 9,573 or 16.9% came to the District; of the 42,689 net migrants between July 2011 and July 2012, 9,132 or 21.4% came to the District; and of the 41,366 net migrants between July 2012 and July 2013, 9,177 or 22.2% came to the District.
- Net migration contributed more to population growth in the District than natural increase at a ratio of two to one, unlike the MSA. Net migration added 9,177 persons while natural increase added 4,438 persons (residual was -593).

Fig 5. MSA Population Change Contributions to Population Growth in MSA



Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Fig 6. DC Resident Births



Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Fig 7. DC's Share of MSA Population



Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Table 2. Washington, DC Metropolitan Statistical Area Population Change by County and Equivalent

Jurisdiction	Change April 2010 - July 2010		Change July 2010-July 2011		Change July 2011 - July 2012		Change July 2012 - July 2013	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV	28,513	100%	106,717	100%	91,088	100%	87,265	100%
District of Columbia, DC	3,358	11.8	14,499	13.6	13,803	15.2	13,022	14.9
Loudoun County, VA	3,089	10.8	10,945	10.3	10,877	11.9	12,431	14.2
Montgomery County, MD	3,853	13.5	15,942	14.9	12,904	14.2	12,201	14.0
Fairfax County, VA	4,735	16.6	17,687	16.6	14,536	16.0	12,241	14.0
Prince George's County, MD	2,195	7.7	8,514	8.0	7,290	8.0	8,662	9.9
Prince William County, VA	4,390	15.4	12,876	12.1	10,832	11.9	8,480	9.7
Arlington County, VA	1,629	5.7	6,863	6.4	5,101	5.6	3,631	4.2
Stafford County, VA	827	2.9	2,360	2.2	2,103	2.3	2,537	2.9
Charles County, MD	563	2.0	2,180	2.0	1,416	1.6	2,154	2.5
Alexandria city, VA	860	3.0	3,514	3.3	2,499	2.7	2,053	2.4
Frederick County, MD	789	2.8	3,119	2.9	2,227	2.4	1,889	2.2
Spotsylvania County, VA	494	1.7	1,653	1.5	1,228	1.3	1,576	1.8
Manassas city, VA	431	1.5	1,037	1.0	1,374	1.5	1,042	1.2
Calvert County, MD	205	0.7	356	0.3	396	0.4	790	0.9
Fredericksburg city, VA	168	0.6	1,450	1.4	1,486	1.6	742	0.9
Culpeper County, VA	118	0.4	504	0.5	478	0.5	717	0.8
Fauquier County, VA	177	0.6	676	0.6	470	0.5	681	0.8
Warren County, VA	74	0.3	171	0.2	350	0.4	662	0.8
Fairfax city, VA	55	0.2	152	0.1	649	0.7	575	0.7
Jefferson County, WV	140	0.5	688	0.6	229	0.3	515	0.6
Falls Church city, VA	169	0.6	279	0.3	448	0.5	329	0.4
Manassas Park city, VA	180	0.6	1,086	1.0	332	0.4	278	0.3
Clarke County, VA	22	0.1	179	0.2	97	0.1	27	0.0
Rappahannock County, VA	-8	0.0	-13	0.0	-37	0.0	30	0.0

*Sorted by July 2012 – July 2013 Change

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Population Division 2013 estimate

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