Demographic Trends Impacting Recreation, Parks and Tourism

Major Population Trends in Texas’ population

• Continued population growth
• Aging of the population
• Growth in the size of minority population
• Changing composition of households
Population Growth in the United States: 1900-2010

In Millions
Year
Population Growth by Decade in the U.S. (1990-2010)

Most Populated U.S. States (2000-2010)
Recap: Continued Population Growth

- The size of Texas’ population has increased faster than other U.S. states.
- Growth in the U.S. is largely a result of natural increase but in Texas it is due to migration.
- Growth in the last few decades, however, has been fueled by increased immigration.
- Immigration to the U.S. is characterized by increasing diversity.
Aging of the Population

Projected Changes in the Median Age of U.S. Population (1990-2050)

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Projected Changes in the Age Distribution of the U.S. (1990-2030)

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Projected Changes in the Age Distribution of the U.S. (1990-2030)

U.S. Age Composition by Race/Ethnicity (2009)

Projected Changes in Texas’ Population 65 Years of Age and Older (1990-2030)
Recap: Aging of the Population

• Texas’ population is getting older.
• The fastest growing segment of the population will be adults 75 years of age and older.
• Aging is variable among ethnic/racial groups, with minority households having younger householders than do Anglos.

Growth in Size of the Minority Population

Changes in Number of Racial/Ethnic Groups in the U.S. (1980-2010)
Proportion of Ethnic/Racial Groups in U.S. and Texas (2010)

- U.S.:
  - Anglos: 63.7%
  - Blacks: 12.2%
  - Hispanics: 16.3%
  - Others: 6.8%

- Texas:
  - Anglos: 45.3%
  - Blacks: 37.6%
  - Hispanics: 11.8%
  - Others: 5.3%

Projected Racial/Ethnic Composition of Texas

- 2000: 53% Anglos, 48% Hispanics, 2% Blacks, 7% Others
- 2010: 48% Anglos, 42% Hispanics, 10% Blacks, 10% Others
- 2020: 42% Anglos, 37% Hispanics, 15% Blacks, 16% Others
- 2030: 37% Anglos, 33% Hispanics, 20% Blacks, 20% Others
- 2040: 33% Anglos, 33% Hispanics, 25% Blacks, 25% Others
Recap: Growth in the Size of Minority Population

- Hispanics comprise the largest minority group in Texas.
- The number of Hispanics and “other” minorities are growing faster than Anglos and African-Americans.
- Hispanics are expected to comprise a numerical majority by the year 2040.

The Changing Composition of Households

Changes in Average Household Sizes in Texas (1940-2010)
Change in Household Size for Texas (1970-1990)

Composition of Texas Households

Changes in Types of Households in Texas (1990-2030)
Recap: The Changing Composition of Households

- Texas’ households have become smaller. Single person households (living alone) are growing faster than other households.
- Diversity characterizes the composition of Texas’ households.
- Married couples with children comprise less than one-third of Texas’ households.