

BROWARD-by-the-NUMBERS

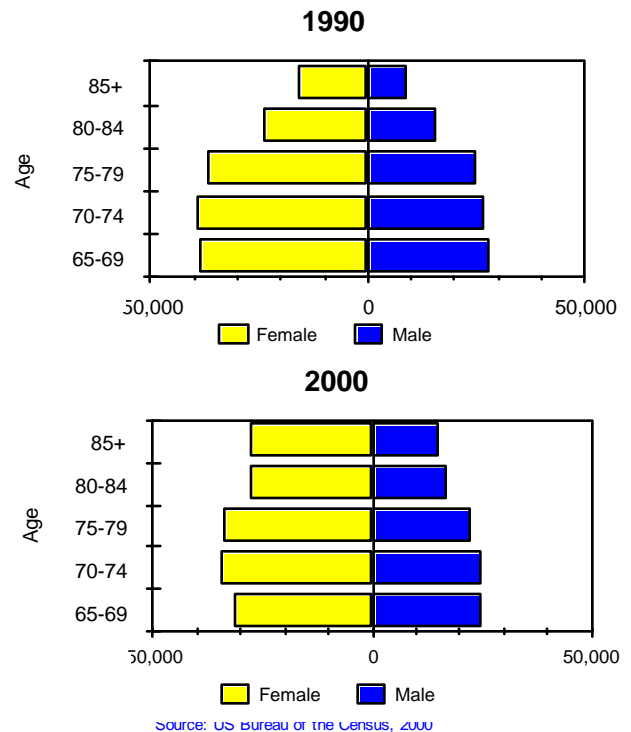
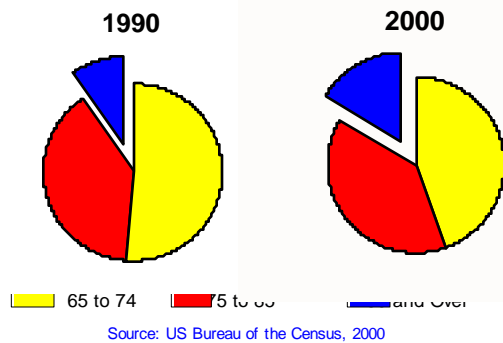
The Senior Population

This edition of Broward-by-the-Numbers explores Broward County's population 65 years and older.

Population

For this report, the senior population is defined as the population over the age of 65. According to the 2000 Census, 261,109 seniors reside in Broward County, just 369 more than in 1990. Although overall population increased in the ten year period, the senior's percent of total population decreased from 20% in 1990 to 16% in 2000. The percentage decrease over the decade is caused by other age groups growing at a much faster rate than the senior population. This information signals a change in the age demographics and migration patterns of the County.

Within the senior population, the population over the age of 75 increased by 14% between 1990 and 2000. There were over 43,000 residents 85 years and over living in Broward County in 2000, an increase of 72% from 1990. There are almost 400 County residents 100 years of age or older.



This increase in the 75 year and older age group shows that life expectancy and advances in medicine are allowing people to live longer lives. The charts also show the longer life expectancy of women. Women represent 59% of the senior population and 65% of the population over 85.

Age and Gender

There have been some changes in age structure of the senior population between 1990 and 2000. The charts to the right detail five year age intervals for the senior population in 1990 and 2000.

The 1990 senior population was primarily in the 65 to 74 year age groups. In 2000, the charts show there were fewer people in the 65 to 74 age groups and more people in the over 75 age groups.

Race and Ethnicity

The senior population is less racially and ethnically diverse than the total County population. 84% of seniors are White non-Hispanic and 9% are Black or other non-Hispanic races. Hispanics comprise 7% of the senior population. In contrast, the total population is 58% White, 25% Black or Other races, and 17% Hispanic. This difference in diversity is primarily due to historic migration of retirees from the Northeast part of the United States into Broward County.

Distribution of the Population

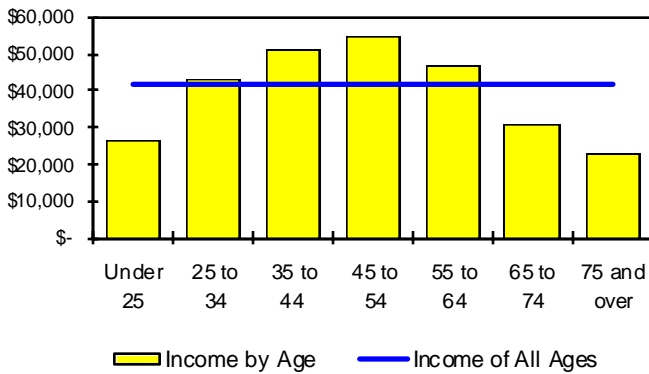
The senior population is spread throughout the County with large percentages along the coast and in the eastern two-thirds of the County. Newly developed areas in the northwest and southwest have a lower percentage of seniors than do older, more established parts of the County.

Household Information

Seniors live in smaller households than the rest of the population. In 2000, 81,408 or 43% of all senior households were one person households, an increase of over 5,000 senior households since 1990. In contrast households with 2 or more persons increased by 150 between 1990 and 2000.

As shown below, median household income for seniors is lower than most age groups. In particular, income for those 75 years and over is approximately half the income for all ages. (Note: many seniors rely on mutual funds, savings and other forms of income which are not included as part of household income.)

Median Household Income in 1999 by Age



Source: US Bureau of the Census, 2000

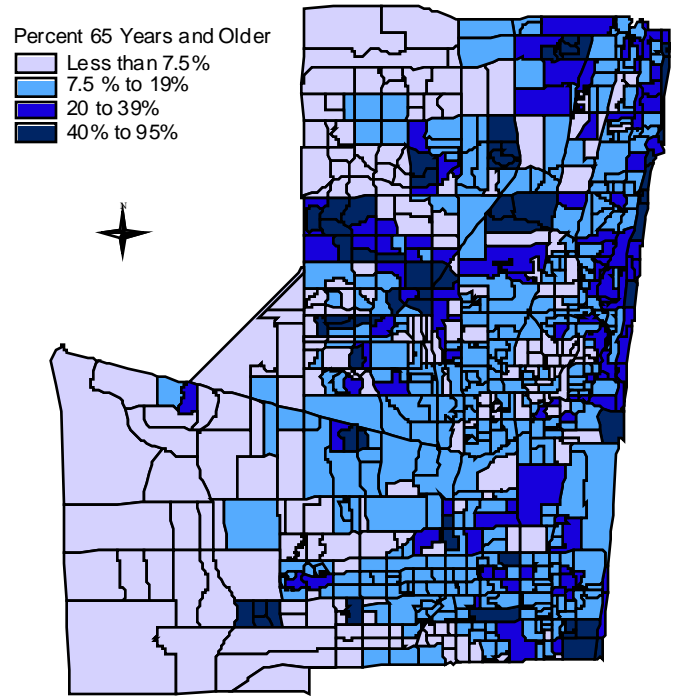
Grandparents as Caregivers

New in Census 2000 are data on grandparents as caregivers. Of the 34,557 households with grandparents, 38% of these have a grandparent who is responsible for the care of his or her grandchild. (Note: not all grandparents are 65 Years and Older)

Poverty Information

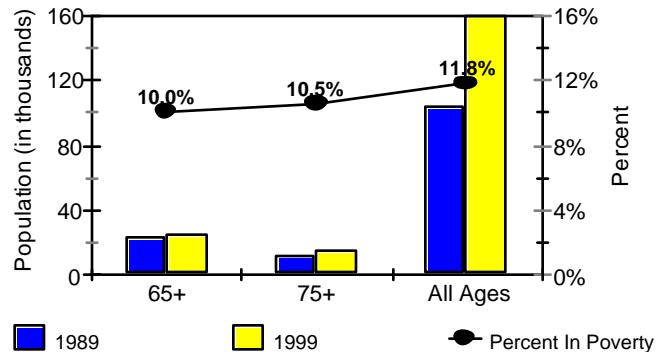
In 2000, the poverty threshold was \$17,463 for a family of four with two children. Poverty has increased for all age groups between 1990 and 2000. While 12% of the County's population lives below the poverty level, only 10% of the senior population lives in poverty. The poverty rate for those 75 years of age and older is slightly higher at 10.5%.

Broward County Senior Population, 2000



Source: Census Block Group Data, US Bureau of the Census, 2000

Seniors in Poverty





Technical Appendix

Senior Population Statistics, Broward County, Florida

Table 1

Age	1990		2000		Increase 1990-2000	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
65 years and Over	260,740	20.8%	261,109	16.1%	369	0.1%
65 to 69 years	66,757	5.3%	57,034	3.5%	-9,723	-14.6%
70 to 74 years	66,681	5.3%	59,607	3.7%	-7,074	-10.6%
75 years and Over	127,302	10.1%	144,468	8.9%	17,166	13.5%
75 to 79 years	62,063	4.9%	56,752	3.5%	-5,311	-8.6%
80 to 84 years	40,218	3.2%	44,665	2.8%	4,447	11.1%
85 years and Over	25,021	2.0%	43,051	2.7%	18,030	72.1%
All Other Ages	994,748	79.2%	1,361,909	83.9%	367,161	36.9%
Total Population	1,255,488	100.0%	1,623,018	100.0%	367,530	29.3%

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, 1990 and 2000.

Table 2

Age & Gender	1990			2000		
	Female	Male	Total	Female	Male	Total
65 to 69 years	38,693	28,064	66,757	31,521	25,513	57,034
70 to 74 years	39,353	27,328	66,681	34,177	25,430	59,607
75 to 79 years	36,556	25,507	62,063	34,065	22,687	56,752
80 to 84 years	24,001	16,217	40,218	27,688	16,977	44,665
85 years and Over	15,790	9,231	25,021	27,874	15,177	43,051
65 Years and Older	154,393	106,347	260,740	155,325	105,784	261,109

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, 1990 and 2000.

Table 3

Age, Race & Ethnicity	Hispanic			White Non-Hispanic			Other Non-Hispanic*			Total Senior Population		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
65 to 69	2,837	3,901	6,738	19,233	22,825	42,058	3,443	4,795	8,238	25,513	31,521	57,034
70 to 74	2,183	3,063	8,634	20,783	27,462	97,538	2,464	3,652	6,116	25,430	34,177	59,607
75 to 79	1,408	1,980	3,388	19,727	29,566	49,293	1,552	2,519	4,071	22,687	34,065	56,752
80 to 84	647	1,185	1,832	15,499	24,908	40,407	831	1,595	2,426	16,977	27,688	44,665
85 and Over	464	990	1,454	14,064	25,461	39,525	649	1,423	2,072	15,177	27,874	43,051
65 and Over	7,539	11,119	18,658	89,306	130,222	219,528	8,939	13,984	22,923	105,784	155,325	261,109
% of Total	7.1%			84.1%			8.8%			100.0%		

* Includes: Black, American Indian, Asian, Pacific Islander, Other and 2 or More Races.

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, 1990 and 2000.

Table 4

Households 65 years and Older	1990		2000	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Households with persons 65 years and over	183,154	100.0%	188,789	100.0%
1 person household	75,919	41.5%	81,408	43.1%
2 or more person household	107,235	58.5%	107,381	56.9%
Family households	102,474	55.9%	100,435	53.2%
Non-family households	4,761	2.6%	6,946	3.7%
Households with no persons 65 years and over	345,288	100.0%	465,656	100.0%

1 person household	80,042	23.2%	112,293	24.1%
2 or more person household	265,246	76.8%	353,363	75.9%
Family households	232,548	67.3%	310,968	66.8%
Non-family households	32,698	9.5%	42,395	9.1%

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, 1990 and 2000.

Table 5

Veteran Status	1990			2000		
	Male	% Male	Female	Male	% Male	Female
65 years and over	105,970	100.0%	154,128	105,523	100.0%	154,886
Veteran	52,301	49.4%	3,118	62,161	58.9%	2,544
Nonveteran	53,669	50.6%	151,010	43,362	41.1%	152,342

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, 1990 and 2000.

Table 6

Poverty in 1989	1989			1999		
	Above	Below	% Below	Above	Below	% Below
65 years and Older	231,601	22,991	9.0%	229,453	25,558	10.0%
65 to 74 years	122,741	10,324	7.8%	105,038	10,960	9.4%
75 years and over	108,860	12,667	10.4%	124,415	14,598	10.5%
All Other Ages	881,501	103,320	10.5%	1,190,193	159,031	11.8%

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, 1990 and 2000.

Table 7

Median Household Income	1999
All Ages	\$ 41,691
Householder 65 to 74 years	\$ 31,051
Householder 75 years and over	\$ 22,693

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, 2000.

Table 8

2000 Group Quarters Population	Male	Female	Total	Percent
65+ In Group Quarters	2,337	6,279	8,616	62.2%
Institutionalized Population	1,377	3,985	5,362	62.2%
Nursing Homes	1,343	3,959	5,302	61.5%
Other Institutions	34	26	60	0.7%
Noninstitutionalized Population	960	2,294	3,254	37.8%

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, 2000.

Table 9

Household/Group Quarters	Male	Female	Total	Percent
65 Years and over	155,325	105,784	261,109	
Population in Households	152,988	99,505	252,493	96.7%
Population in Group Quarters	2,337	6,279	8,616	3.3%

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, 2000.