

Executive Summary

Population by Race and Hispanic Origin: 2000 and 2006

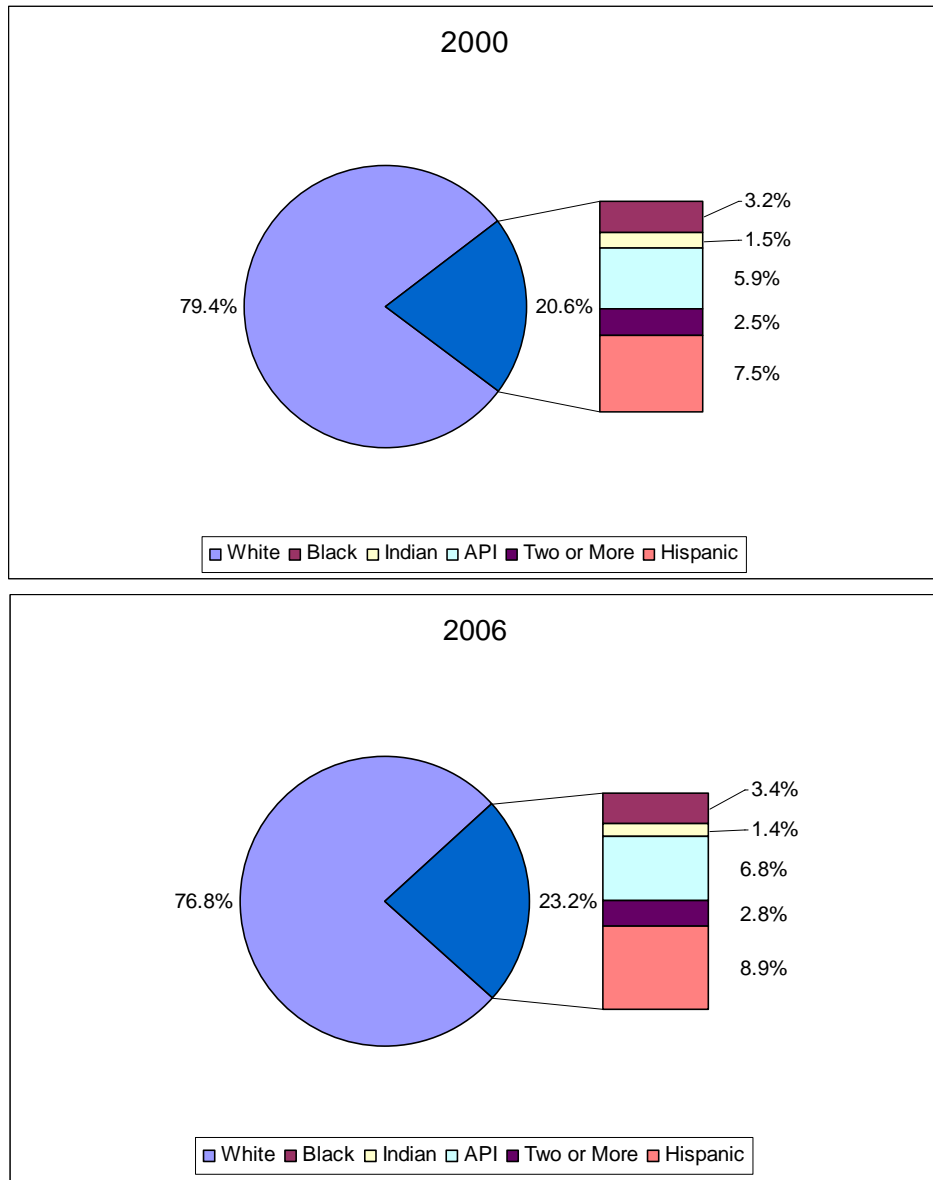
OFM released the 2006 Washington county population estimates by age, gender, and Hispanic and Non Hispanic race on December 13, 2006. The age, gender, and race details are on our website at www.ofm.wa.gov/pop/race/2006estimates.asp. This summary is an effort to illustrate the race distribution and its changes over the six year period at the county level.

1. Between 2000 and 2006, Washington State's population grew by 8.2 percent.
2. The Hispanic population grew by 28 percent from 441,509 in 2000 to 565,377 in 2006. As the fastest growing minority group, their share of the state population has increased from 7.5 percent in 2000 to 8.9 percent in 2006.
3. The Asian and Pacific Islander population has climbed by 23.8 percent. With a change of nearly 83,000, its population has almost reached 432,000 in 2006 and is the second fastest growing minority group.
4. With an increase of 29,500, the Two or More Races (Multiracial) population has grown by almost 20 percent; and the Black population has added over 24,800 persons to reach 214,100, a 13 percent increase.
5. The American Indian and Alaska Native population has grown by 7 percent to reach about 93,000 persons.

Table 1. Population of Non Hispanics by Race and Hispanic Origin: 2000 and 2006

	Col. 1 = Col. 2 + Col. 8	Col. 2 = Col. 3 thru 7	Col. 3	Col. 4	Col. 5	Col. 6	Col. 7	Col. 8
	----- Non Hispanic -----							
	Total Population Hispanic & Non Hispanic	Non Hispanic Population	White	Black	Indian	API	Two or More Races	Hispanic Origin
2000	5,894,121	5,452,612	4,679,830	189,277	86,359	348,821	148,325	441,509
2006	6,375,600	5,810,223	4,894,260	214,119	92,298	431,760	177,786	565,377
Each Race as a Percent of Total Population								
2000	100.0	92.5	79.4	3.2	1.5	5.9	2.5	7.5
2006	100.0	91.1	76.8	3.4	1.4	6.8	2.8	8.9
Population Change								
2000-06	481,479	357,611	214,430	24,842	5,939	82,939	29,461	123,868
Percent Population Change								
2000-06	8.2	6.6	4.6	13.1	6.9	23.8	19.9	28.1
Percent Population Change in each Race as a Share of Total Population Change								
2000-06	100.0		44.5	5.2	1.2	17.2	6.1	25.7

Figure 1: Percentage of State Population by Race and Hispanic Origin: 2000 and 2006



Large metropolitan counties tend to have a larger minority population concentration. King County and Pierce County are where the largest share of Non Hispanic minorities, such as in the API and Black categories, reside. Between 2000 and 2006, about 49 percent of Washington’s Black population resides in King County and 25 percent in Pierce County. Over 55 percent of Washington’s API population resides in King County and a little over 11 percent in Pierce and Snohomish County respectively. Yakima is the only county that ranks higher than Pierce in the second place as the residence for both Hispanic and American Indian population.

Table 2. Counties Ranked by Race and Hispanic Origin: 2000 and 2006

2000

2006

Black

----- Includes Hispanics -----

County	% of State					Two or More Races	Hispanic Origin
	Total	White	Black	Indian	API		
King	29.5	26.9	49.5	17.1	56.6	32.8	21.6
Pierce	11.9	11.2	25.3	10.6	12.0	18.3	8.7
Snohomish	10.3	10.5	5.3	8.8	10.6	9.7	6.5
Spokane	7.1	7.6	3.4	6.1	2.4	5.8	2.6
Clark	5.9	6.2	3.0	3.1	3.6	5.0	3.7

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	Total	White	Black	Indian	API		
King	28.8	25.9	48.4	16.5	55.1	32.2	20.9
Pierce	12.1	11.3	25.7	11.1	12.4	18.4	8.8
Snohomish	10.5	10.7	5.6	9.1	11.1	10.1	6.7
Clark	7.0	7.5	3.4	6.3	2.5	5.8	2.5
Spokane	6.3	6.7	3.4	3.5	3.9	5.5	4.0

American Indian

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County	% of State					Two or More Races	Hispanic Origin
	Total	White	Black	Indian	API		
King	29.5	26.9	49.5	17.1	56.6	32.8	21.6
Yakima	3.8	4.0	1.3	11.0	0.8	2.2	18.1
Pierce	11.9	11.2	25.3	10.6	12.0	18.3	8.7
Snohomish	10.3	10.5	5.3	8.8	10.6	9.7	6.5
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Asian & Pacific Islander

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Clark	6.3	6.7	3.4	3.4	3.9	5.4	4.0
Kitsap	3.8	3.8	3.4	3.9	3.4	5.4	2.0

Two or More Races

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Hispanic

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Pierce	11.9	11.2	25.3	10.6	12.0	18.3	8.7
Snohomish	10.3	10.5	5.3	8.8	10.6	9.7	6.5
Franklin	0.8	0.9	0.7	0.5	0.3	0.3	5.2

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Snohomish	10.5	10.7	5.6	9.1	11.1	10.1	6.7
Franklin	1.0	1.1	0.6	0.5	0.3	0.4	6.5

In 2000, the minority population as a whole represented 20.6 percent of the state population. Minorities have grown to 23.2 percent in 2006. Eleven counties have minority populations above the state average. Between 2000 and 2006, Franklin (56.8 percent), Adams (52.3 percent), Yakima (41.1 percent) and Grant (35 percent) have consistently had the largest Hispanic population.

Table 3. Counties Ranked by Percent Minority: 2000 and 2006

2000

	Col. 1 =	Col. 2	Col. 3	Col. 4	Col. 5 =	Rank
	Col. 2 + Col. 5				Col. 3 + Col. 4	
	Non Minority				Minority	
Percent Total Population	Non Hispanic White Race	Non Hispanic Non White Races	Hispanic	Total		
State		79.40	13.11	7.49	20.60	--
Franklin	100.00	47.94	5.39	46.67	52.06	1
Adams	100.00	51.33	1.61	47.07	48.67	2
Yakima	100.00	56.88	7.22	35.90	43.12	3
Grant	100.00	66.01	3.91	30.09	33.99	4
Okanogan	100.00	72.01	13.61	14.38	27.99	5
King	100.00	73.94	20.57	5.48	26.06	6
Ferry	100.00	76.16	21.02	2.82	23.84	7
Pierce	100.00	76.54	17.95	5.51	23.46	8
Douglas	100.00	77.52	2.75	19.73	22.48	9
Chelan	100.00	77.83	2.91	19.26	22.17	10
Walla Walla	100.00	79.26	5.06	15.68	20.74	11

2006

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	Col. 2 + Col. 5				Col. 3 + Col. 4	
	Non Minority				Minority	
Percent Total Population	Non Hispanic White Race	Non Hispanic Non White Races	Hispanic	Total		
State		76.77	14.37	8.87	23.23	--
Franklin	100.00	38.86	4.29	56.85	61.14	1
Adams	100.00	46.04	1.69	52.28	53.96	2
Yakima	100.00	51.91	6.94	41.15	48.09	3
Grant	100.00	61.18	3.81	35.01	38.82	4
Okanogan	100.00	69.25	13.72	17.02	30.75	5
King	100.00	70.75	22.83	6.42	29.25	6
Chelan	100.00	73.48	2.95	23.58	26.52	7
Douglas	100.00	73.84	2.80	23.36	26.16	8
Pierce	100.00	74.03	19.50	6.47	25.97	9
Ferry	100.00	74.98	22.08	2.94	25.02	10
Walla Walla	100.00	75.79	5.36	18.85	24.21	11