

Table 1.
Population by Race and Hispanic Origin: 2000 and 2004

(Numbers in thousands)

Race and Hispanic origin	April 1, 2000		July 1, 2004		Change 2000 to 2004	
	Total	Percent	Total	Percent	Number	Percent
Total population	281,424.6	100.0	293,655.4	100.0	12,230.8	4.3
One race	277,526.9	98.6	289,216.7	98.5	11,689.8	4.2
White	228,106.5	81.1	236,057.8	80.4	7,951.3	3.5
Black or African American	35,704.9	12.7	37,502.3	12.8	1,797.4	5.0
American Indian and Alaska Native	2,663.9	0.9	2,824.8	1.0	160.9	6.0
Asian	10,589.1	3.8	12,326.2	4.2	1,737.1	16.4
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander ...	462.5	0.2	505.6	0.2	43.1	9.3
Two or More Races	3,897.7	1.4	4,438.8	1.5	541.1	13.9
Race alone or in combination:*						
White	231,436.4	82.2	239,880.1	81.7	8,443.7	3.6
Black or African American	37,105.0	13.2	39,232.5	13.4	2,127.5	5.7
American Indian and Alaska Native	4,225.1	1.5	4,409.4	1.5	184.3	4.4
Asian	12,006.7	4.3	13,956.6	4.8	1,949.9	16.2
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander ...	906.8	0.3	976.4	0.3	69.6	7.7
Hispanic or Latino (any race)	35,306.3	12.5	41,322.1	14.1	6,015.8	17.0
White alone, not Hispanic or Latino	195,577.0	69.5	197,840.8	67.4	2,263.8	1.2

*The sum of the alone-or-in-combination populations is larger than the total because some people belong to more than one racial group.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Population Estimates Program, April 1, 2000, and July 1, 2004.

single-race Black population was 37.9 million and the single-race Asian population was 12.7 million. The single-race American Indian and Alaska Native population accounted for 2.9 million people in the United States. The smallest single-race category was the Pacific Islander population, numbering 517,600 in 2005. Another 2 percent of the total population, or 4.6 million people, belonged to the Two or More Races population. The Two or More Races population plus the five single-race populations equals the total population.

Race Alone or in Combination

In 2005, 241.8 million people were either single-race White or White in combination with one or more races. These two groups accounted for 82 percent of the total U.S. resident population, while single-race Whites represented 80 percent.

The single-race Black population and Blacks in combination with one or more races equaled 39.7 million in 2005. While the percentage of people who were Black and no other race was 12.8 percent of U.S. residents, the percentage who were single-race Black and Black in combination with some other race was 13.4 percent.

Asians who were one race or those who were Asian in combination with one or more other races numbered 14.4 million in 2005. Single-race Asians represented

4.3 percent of all Americans, while single-race Asians plus those in combination with one or more other races represented 4.9 percent.

The population of American Indians and Alaska Natives alone or in combination with other races (4.5 million) was 56 percent higher than the population of single-race American Indians and Alaska Natives. While single-race American Indians and Alaska Natives represented 1.0 percent of the U.S. total, this group in combination with their counterparts of more than one race represented 1.5 percent.

The population of Pacific Islanders alone or in combination with other racial groups (990,000) was nearly twice as large as the single-race Pacific-Islander population. The expanded group's share of the U.S. total was 0.3 percent, compared with 0.2 percent for single-race Pacific Islanders.

Hispanic and Non-Hispanic White

With 42.7 million people, the Hispanic population accounted for 14 percent of the total U.S. population on July 1, 2005. Nearly all Hispanics (99 percent) belonged to only one racial group. Among Hispanics, 93 percent were single-race White, 4 percent were single-race Black, 1 percent were single-race American Indian and Alaska Native, 0.6 percent were single-race