

Demographic and Health Data for Philadelphia, PA, and its Suburbs, 1990, 2000

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<i>(All indicators are in percent unless otherwise noted)</i>																
Population Demographics																
Avg. Population Size (000's)	1,586	1,518	-4.3	5	7	3,337	3,583	7.4	5	6	1,388	1,459	5.1	1,841	1,947	5.8
Population by Race/Ethnicity																
White, non-Hispanic	52.2	42.8	-18.0	55	56	86.5	82.4	-4.8	34	30	50.3	41.6	-17.3	83.8	78.5	-6.3
Black, non-Hispanic	39.5	43.0	8.7	16	18	9.0	10.4	14.7	22	22	32.5	34.3	5.5	6.1	7.1	15.7
Hispanic	5.3	8.5	60.0	35	38	2.7	3.6	32.6	41	46	12.7	16.2	26.9	8.6	10.3	21.0
Asian, non-Hispanic	2.7	4.5	70.8	28	25	1.8	3.0	71.2	29	26	3.8	5.8	51.6	2.0	3.1	54.0
Foreign-Born Population	6.6	9.0	36.8	35	39	4.4	6.1	38.8	35	38	14.2	18.2	28.6	11.0	13.6	23.2
Speaks a Foreign Language at Home	13.7	17.7	29.4	34	36	8.0	9.9	24.6	36	41	24.1	28.8	19.4	16.4	19.5	19.2
Speaks Spanish at Home	5.3	7.8	47.6	34	38	2.4	3.4	42.2	36	44	11.8	14.9	25.5	7.5	9.9	33.3
Educational Attainment																
Total																
No High School Diploma	35.7	28.8	-19.3	75	71	18.7	13.4	-28.1	30	25	33.3	27.3	-18.1	21.5	16.2	-24.4
High School Diploma	32.9	33.3	1.2			33.0	30.8	-6.7			29.0	28.5	-1.7	31.3	29.3	-6.6
At Least Some College	31.4	37.9	20.8			48.3	55.7	15.5			37.7	44.2	17.3	47.2	54.5	15.5
White																
No High School Diploma	31.9	23.9	-25.0	73	74	17.6	12.0	-31.6	30	29	31.2	24.4	-21.7	20.6	14.8	-28.3
High School Diploma	34.1	34.0	-0.3			33.5	31.2	-6.7			29.2	27.9	-4.3	31.8	29.8	-6.3
At Least Some College	34.0	42.1	23.7			49.0	56.8	15.9			39.6	47.6	20.3	47.6	55.5	16.5
Black																
No High School Diploma	39.8	31.6	-20.5	66	67	28.6	21.6	-24.5	45	48	37.7	29.9	-20.8	30.8	25.6	-16.8
High School Diploma	32.8	35.1	7.0			32.5	33.1	1.6			30.3	31.9	5.4	28.6	28.5	-0.3
At Least Some College	27.4	33.2	21.4			38.8	45.3	16.7			32.0	38.2	19.4	40.7	45.9	12.9
Hispanic																
No High School Diploma	55.3	50.5	-8.7	71	54	40.9	38.6	-5.6	61	47	48.7	43.3	-11.2	36.6	35.9	-2.0
High School Diploma	23.4	25.6	9.4			23.7	25.3	6.9			22.3	24.6	10.3	25.8	24.5	-4.8
At Least Some College	21.3	23.9	12.2			35.4	36.1	1.9			29.0	32.1	10.9	37.6	39.6	5.2
Asian																
No High School Diploma	35.4	37.0	4.4	72	77	14.8	14.7	-0.6			25.2	25.3	0.3	14.6	13.2	-9.4
High School Diploma	18.3	16.7	-9.0			17.1	15.3	-10.9			14.5	16.1	11.4	13.4	11.6	-13.0
At Least Some College	46.3	46.3	0.2			68.1	70.0	2.9			60.3	58.6	-2.9	72.1	75.2	4.3
Unemployment Rate	9.7	10.9	12.4	69	73	4.2	4.5	9.2	21	48	10.3	10.8	5.3	5.5	5.0	-7.5
Crime (per 100,000 pop.)																
Murder Rate	31.7	22.0	-30.7	68	70	4.1	2.5	-39.1	37	35	22.2	13.3	-40.0	2.8	2.0	-26.9
Violent Crime Rate	1349	1572	16.5	46	74	424	295	-30.4	45	45	2000	1173	-41.4	375	236	-37.1

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Economic & Social Indicators																
Poverty Rate	20.3	22.9	12.9	55	68	5.7	6.2	7.7	12	17	21.7	22.9	5.5	7.4	8.0	7.9
White	11.1	14.0	25.7	44	61	4.0	4.4	10.1	7	10	14.6	16.0	10.2	6.3	6.6	5.2
Black	29.0	28.5	-1.6	36	49	18.2	16.4	-9.8	29	33	31.0	29.6	-4.3	21.3	19.5	-8.5
Hispanic	45.3	42.2	-6.8	81	81	24.7	21.1	-14.7	72	67	36.3	33.3	-8.1	19.4	18.5	-5.1
Asian	29.1	29.8	2.5	60	72	9.2	8.5	-7.8			27.1	25.7	-5.3	9.5	10.0	5.3
% of Population Living in High Poverty Neighborhood	11.5	13.0	13.6	53	71	1.4	0.9	#			12.5	11.4	-8.7	0.8	0.5	#
% of Poor Living in High Poverty Neighborhood	29.8	27.9	-6.3	52	71	11.3	0.9	#			28.0	23.1	-17.5	4.5	0.4	#
Child Poverty Rate	30.3	31.6	4.2	55	63	8.0	7.7	-3.4	16	20	33.2	32.0	-3.5	10.6	10.4	-2.4
White	13.9	17.0	22.4	44	61	4.7	4.5	-4.0	8	7	21.5	21.8	1.2	8.6	8.0	-6.6
Black	40.5	37.2	-8.1	39	45	26.4	23.5	-11.1	32	42	42.7	38.6	-9.6	31.4	26.9	-14.3
Hispanic	56.6	50.4	-11.0	80	81	34.1	25.2	-26.0	71	69	47.0	41.9	-10.8	26.7	22.6	-15.3
Asian	37.4	34.4	-8.1	69	76	10.0	9.1	-9.2			28.7	26.5	-7.6	8.2	9.8	18.9
Per Capita Income (\$)	16,245	16,509	1.6	58	68	24,695	26,993	9.3	10	13	16,995	18,011	6.0	24,081	26,250	9.0
White	20,189	21,293	5.5	54	61	25,935	28,732	10.8	11	11	20,839	23,112	10.9	25,234	28,181	11.7
Black	12,174	13,145	8.0	27	49	15,296	17,925	17.2	27	31	12,077	13,388	10.9	15,581	17,638	13.2
Hispanic	8,616	8,969	4.1	79	81	13,412	14,437	7.6	43	31	10,785	11,622	7.8	14,677	14,930	1.7
Asian	11,131	12,325	10.7	64	76	22,176	23,325	5.2			13,901	15,308	10.1	24,006	27,114	12.9
Households on Public Assistance	14.0	8.7	-37.5	66	74	4.5	2.0	-56.5	28	32	15.3	8.6	-43.5	5.5	2.4	-56.7
Single Mother Families as a Percent of All Families	19.9	25.3	27.1	63	67	7.5	8.9	18.9	24	28	22.1	25.5	15.5	7.7	9.4	23.3
White	8.7	11.2	29.4	35	55	5.4	6.4	17.6	7	9	10.7	12.6	17.5	6.2	7.4	19.8
Black	35.0	40.0	14.4	38	60	27.9	30.3	8.6	49	53	39.9	42.5	6.6	27.5	30.3	10.2
Hispanic	33.3	35.6	6.9	79	79	24.1	22.9	-4.9	79	79	33.0	32.5	-1.5	17.8	19.5	9.8
Asian	10.2	9.9	-2.7	53	55	6.1	5.4	-11.2			8.5	8.0	-6.0	4.7	5.0	6.8
Single Mother Families in Poverty as a Percent of All Families	9.1	10.3	12.9	58	63	2.1	2.1	-2.3	19	22	11.5	11.4	-0.7	2.6	2.6	-1.7
White	2.9	3.7	28.9	43	58	1.1	1.1	-3.4	14	13	5.3	5.2	-2.2	2.0	1.8	-9.5
Black	16.4	16.1	-1.7	30	45	10.4	9.6	-7.5	31	40	20.4	18.8	-7.4	12.3	11.4	-7.2
Hispanic	24.9	22.1	-11.2	80	80	14.9	10.1	-32.1	77	78	22.4	18.6	-17.2	10.1	8.2	-18.7
Asian	5.7	4.6	-19.2	57	73	2.0	1.1	-47.6			5.2	3.0	-41.7	1.6	1.4	-15.9

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Maternal/Infant Health																
Infant Mortality Rate per 1000																
Live Births	15.5	10.5	-32.2	72	61	7.9	5.8	-26.7	44	33	13.8	10.9	-20.7	7.2	5.5	-23.1
Low Birth Weight	11.5	10.8	-6.1	73	69	6.0	7.0	16.7	40	43	10.2	10.4	2.0	5.9	6.9	17.2
White, non-Hispanic	6.3	7.1	12.7			4.9	6.0	22.4			6.5	7.1	8.2	5.1	6.4	24.4
Black, non-Hispanic	15.8	13.8	-12.7			12.4	13.0	4.8			14.5	14.0	-3.6	11.9	12.1	2.0
Hispanic	8.8	9.4	6.8			8.5	6.9	-18.8			8.0	8.5	6.2	6.0	6.8	12.9
Asian	7.1	6.1	-14.1			7.3	6.8	-6.8			6.3	7.9	24.5	7.0	6.8	-3.0
Births to Teens	17.2	17.0	-1.2	58	65	7.1	6.7	-5.6	18	16	15.4	14.3	-7.2	6.4	6.2	-2.0
White, non-Hispanic	7.7	8.6	11.7			4.7	4.2	-10.6			7.5	6.7	-10.0	4.7	4.2	-11.2
Black, non-Hispanic	23.0	21.1	-8.3			20.7	18.5	-10.6			22.0	19.2	-12.7	16.3	15.4	-5.9
Hispanic	26.3	25.1	-4.6			22.7	19.1	-15.9			20.3	19.8	-2.3	14.1	12.5	-11.6
Asian	5.6	7.7	37.5			1.9	1.8	-5.3			4.9	4.5	-7.5	2.3	2.1	-9.9
Early Prenatal Care	63.6	75.1	18.1	73	61	85.7	85.8	0.1	25	49	70.0	74.4	6.3	85.6	86.2	0.7
White, non-Hispanic	85.3	84.8	-0.6			89.7	90.2	0.6			83.3	82.4	-1.1	89.3	90.4	1.2
Black, non-Hispanic	48.3	70.0	44.9			63.2	67.7	7.1			58.3	68.3	17.1	66.3	73.3	10.5
Hispanic	66.5	72.8	9.5			67.8	67.0	-1.2			68.6	71.6	4.3	71.7	76.0	5.9
Asian	60.9	73.1	20.0			79.7	81.8	2.6			72.1	78.6	9.0	83.7	82.5	-1.5
Child Well-Being Index Rank					66	66					23	22				
Deprivation Index Rank					60	69					32	35				

* Averages based on 8 city and suburban areas. See [Table 1](#) in any Report.

** Suburbs refers to the metropolitan area (MSA) excluding the city(ies). See [Methodology](#) in any Report.

[^] Tabulations for percent change are based on numbers with more decimal places than shown.

† Rankings are generally based on the lowest percent, rate or value having a rank of 1 out of 82 for cities (and 81 for suburbs), with the following exceptions: For all of the "Population Demographics", as well as per capita income and early prenatal care, the largest percent, rate or value is ranked 1. A city/suburb was excluded from a ranking if it had a rate of zero. Indicators for suburban Asians, high poverty neighborhoods, and maternal/infant health by race/ethnicity were not ranked. See [Definitions](#) for more information on rankings.

If a rate was less than 1 percent, we did not report the percent change.

--- If the number of births was fewer than 100, we did not report the rate.

N/A: Not Available

Sources: Tabulations based on 1990 and 2000 data from the U.S. Census Bureau, CDC/National Center for Health Statistics, and Federal Bureau of Investigation.

NOTE: Disease rates are available at the city or metropolitan area level at the following links:

[City Syphilis Rates, 1990, 1996, 2000](#)

[Metropolitan Area AIDS Rates, 1990, 1995, 2000](#)

[City Gonorrhea Rates, 1990, 1996, 2000](#)

[Metropolitan Area Tuberculosis \(TB\) Rates by Race, 1996, 2000](#)

[City and Suburban Tuberculosis \(TB\) Rates, 1990, 1996, 2000](#)

Counties in Metropolitan Area:

Burlington County, NJ

Bucks County, PA

Philadelphia County, PA

Camden County, NJ

Chester County, PA

Gloucester County, NJ

Delaware County, PA

Salem County, NJ

Montgomery County, PA