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Missouri's First Detailed 2010 Census Counts are Released

Today, the U.S. Census Bureau released the first look at Missouri's detailed Census counts. The information comes from the Public Law (P.L.) 94-171 file. This tabulation is specifically designed to aid in redrawing the boundaries for United States Congressional districts, state house and senate lines, and local government political boundaries. The file includes population counts and limited demographic and housing data. More in-depth information will be available from the Census Bureau in the summer of 2011 and will include national comparisons. The data provided does not contain national information.

Missouri's population is 5,988,927 as of April 1, 2010 and showed a growth of 393,716 persons, or seven percent, during the first decade of the new millennium. The nation's population had grown at a rate of 10 percent during the same period. Missouri and the nation grew at a slightly slower pace this last decade than in the 1990's. Missouri grew at a rate of nine percent in the 1990's, while the nation's growth rate was 13 percent during that same period.

Missouri's five fastest growing counties by percent change were:

County Name	2000 Population	2010 Population	Numeric Change	Percentage Change
Christian	54,285	77,422	23,137	43%
Lincoln	38,944	52,566	13,622	35%
Warren	24,525	32,513	7,988	33%
Taney	39,703	51,675	11,972	30%
Pulaski	41,165	52,274	11,109	27%
St. Charles	283,883	360,485	76,602	27%
State of Missouri	5,595,211	5,988,927	393,716	7.0%

Note: Pulaski and St. Charles Counties tied as the 5th fastest growing county in the state.

Missouri, following a trend occurring nationally, has become more racially and ethnically diverse over the course of the last decade. Missouri's minority population has increased from 16 percent in 2000, to 19 percent in 2010.

Missouri's population by racial breakdown in 2010 was:

- White = 4,958,770 or 82.8%;
- Black or African American = 693,391 or 11.6%;
- American Indian and Alaska Native = 27,376 or 0.5%;
- Asian = 98,083 or 1.6%;
- Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander = 6,261 or 0.1%;
- Some Other Race = 80,457 or 1.3%; and
- Two or More Races = 124,589 or 2.1%.

Additional tables and maps will become available on the Missouri Office of Administration Web site at (<http://oa.mo.gov/bp/>) as they are assembled.

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