

Profile of General Demographic Characteristics
County of El Paso, Texas
Census 2000

Subject	Number	Percent
Total population	679,622	100
SEX AND AGE		
Male	327,771	48.2
Female	351,851	51.8
Under 5 years	58,989	8.7
5 to 9 years	62,519	9.2
10 to 14 years	59,842	8.8
15 to 19 years	58,609	8.6
20 to 24 years	49,503	7.3
25 to 34 years	98,208	14.5
35 to 44 years	100,790	14.8
45 to 54 years	76,876	11.3
55 to 59 years	25,938	3.8
60 to 64 years	22,275	3.3
65 to 74 years	38,983	5.7
75 to 84 years	20,905	3.1
85 years and over	6,185	0.9
Median age (years)	30	(X)
18 years and over	462,199	68.0
Male	217,238	32.0
Female	244,961	36.0
21 years and over	429,026	63.1
62 years and over	79,155	11.6
65 years and over	66,073	9.7
Male	27,422	4.0
Female	38,651	5.7
RACE		
One race	657,970	96.8
White	502,579	73.9
Black or African-American	20,809	3.1
American Indian and Alaska Native	5,559	0.8
Asian	6,633	1.0
Asian Indian	922	0.1
Chinese	1,013	0.1

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RACE (Cont)		
Filipino	1,404	0.2
Japanese	980	0.1
Korean	1,655	0.2
Vietnamese	247	0
Other Asian	412	0.1
Native Hawaiian & Other Pacific Islander	669	0.1
Native Hawaiian	159	0
Guamanian or Chamorro	228	0
Samoan	160	0
Other Pacific Islander	122	0
Some other race	121,721	17.9
Two or more races	21,652	3.2
Race alone or in combination with one or more other races		
White	521,892	76.8
Black or African-American	23,482	3.5
American Indian & Alaska Native	7,684	1.1
Asian	9,043	1.3
Native Hawaiian & Other Pacific Islander	1,211	0.2
Some other race	138,674	20.4
HISPANIC OR LATINO AND RACE		
Total population	679,622	100
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	531,654	78.2
Mexican	447,065	65.8
Puerto Rican	4,286	0.6
Cuban	534	0.1
Other Hispanic or Latino	79,769	11.7
Not Hispanic or Latino	147,968	21.8
White alone	115,535	17
RELATIONSHIP		
Population ¹	679,622	100
In households	666,878	98.1
Householder	210,022	30.9
Spouse	118,999	17.5

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RELATIONSHIP (Cont)		
Child	253,105	37.2
Own child under 18 years	183,907	27.1
Other relatives	64,798	9.5
Under 18 years	30,237	4.4
Nonrelatives	19,954	2.9
Unmarried partner	7,769	1.1
In group quarters	12,744	1.9
Institutionalized population	7,875	1.2
Noninstitutionalized population	4,869	0.7
HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE		
Households ¹	210,022	100
Family households (families)	166,226	79.1
With own children under 18 years	94,242	44.9
Married-couple family	118,999	56.7
With own children under 18 years	67,706	32.2
Female householder, no husband present	37,841	18.0
With own children under 18 years	22,113	10.5
Nonfamily households	43,796	20.9
Householder living alone	37,441	17.8
Householder 65 years and over	14,008	6.7
Households with individuals under 18 years	107,724	51.3
Households with individuals 65 years & over	48,575	23.1
Average household size ¹	3.18	(X)
Average family size ¹	3.63	(X)

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HOUSING TENURE		
Occupied housing units ¹	210,022	100
Owner-occupied housing units	133,624	63.6
Renter-occupied housing units	76,398	36.4
Average household size-owner-occupied unit ¹	3.32	(X)
Average household size of renter-occupied unit ¹	2.92	(X)
SCHOOL ENROLLMENT		
Population 3 years and over enrolled in school	226,320	100
Nursery school, preschool	12,099	5.3
Kindergarten	13,573	6
Elementary school (grades 1-8)	101,048	44.6
High school (grades 9-12)	52,802	23.3
College or graduate school	46,798	20.7
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT		
Population 25 years and over	391,540	100
Less than 9th grade	83,821	21.4
9th to 12th grade, no diploma	50,187	12.8
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	88,256	22.5
Some college, no degree	84,712	21.6
Associate degree	19,538	5
Bachelor's degree	43,262	11
Graduate or professional degree	21,764	5.6
Percent high school graduate or higher	65.8	(X)
Percent bachelor's degree or higher	16.6	(X)

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MARITAL STATUS		
Population 15 years and over	498,393	100
Never married	133,811	26.8
Now married, except separated	275,527	55.3
Separated	15,528	3.1
Widowed	28,367	5.7
Female	23,257	4.7
Divorced	45,160	9.1
Female	28,596	5.7
GRANDPARENTS AS CAREGIVERS		
Grandparent living in household with one or more own grandchildren under 18 years	30,065	100
Grandparent responsible for grandchildren	12,150	40.4
VETERAN STATUS		
Civilian population 18 years and over	453,912	100
Civilian veterans	52,878	11.6
DISABILITY STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN		
Population 5 to 20 years	189,036	100
With a disability	13,876	7.3
Population 21 to 64 years	350,492	100
With a disability	77,460	22.1
Percent employed	51.6	(X)
No disability	273,032	77.9
Percent employed	64.8	(X)
Population 65 years and over	65,002	100
With a disability	31,209	48
RESIDENCE IN 1995		
Population 5 years and over	621,288	100
Same house in 1995	342,929	55.2
Different house in the U.S. in 1995	246,891	39.7
Same county	188,907	30.4
Different county	57,984	9.3
Same state	14,885	2.4

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RESIDENCE IN 1995 (Cont)		
Different state	43,099	6.9
Elsewhere in 1995	31,468	5.1
NATIVITY AND PLACE OF BIRTH		
Total population	679,622	100
Native	493,454	72.6
Born in United States	480,220	70.7
State of residence	365,110	53.7
Different state	115,110	16.9
Born outside United States	13,234	1.9
Foreign born	186,168	27.4
Entered 1990 to March 2000	56,929	8.4
Naturalized citizen	77,821	11.5
Not a citizen	108,347	15.9
REGION OF BIRTH OF FOREIGN BORN		
Total (excluding born at sea)	186,168	100
Europe	6,073	3.3
Asia	5,944	3.2
Africa	435	0.2
Oceania	96	0.1
Latin America	172,999	92.9
Northern America	621	0.3
LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME		
Population 5 years and over	621,288	100
English only	165,907	26.7
Language other than English	455,381	73.3
Speak English less than "very well"	203,275	32.7
Spanish	442,233	71.2
Speak English less than "very well"	198,851	32
Other Indo-European languages	7,347	1.2
Speak English less than "very well"	1,867	0.3
Asian and Pacific Island languages	4,645	0.7
Speak English less than "very well"	2,209	0.4

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ANCESTRY (single or multiple)		
Total population	679,622	100
Total ancestries reported	658,895	97
Arab	2,221	0.3
Czech ¹	786	0.1
Danish	791	0.1
Dutch	2,240	0.3
English	17,065	2.5
French (except Basque) ¹	6,073	0.9
French Canadian ¹	1,291	0.2
German	28,274	4.2
Greek	479	0.1
Hungarian	608	0.1
Irish ¹	18,439	2.7
Italian	7,259	1.1
Lithuanian	259	0
Norwegian	2,098	0.3
Polish	3,235	0.5
Portuguese	312	0
Russian	1,422	0.2
Scotch-Irish	4,160	0.6
Scottish	3,710	0.5
Slovak	252	0
Subsaharan African	1,422	0.2
Swedish	1,585	0.2
Swiss	299	0
Ukrainian	202	0
United States or American	17,362	2.6
Welsh	1,258	0.2
West Indian (excluding Hispanic groups)	639	0.1
Other ancestries	535,154	78.7

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¹ The data represent a combination of two ancestries shown separately. Czech includes Czechoslovakian. French includes Alsatian. French Canadian includes Acadian/Cajun. Irish includes Celtic.

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EMPLOYMENT STATUS		
Population 16 years and over	486,398	100
In labor force	274,811	56.5
Civilian labor force	265,952	54.7
Employed	240,723	49.5
Unemployed	25,229	5.2
Percent of civilian labor force	9.5	(X)
Armed Forces	8,859	1.8
Not in labor force	211,587	43.5
Females 16 years and over	257,971	100
In labor force	124,150	48.1
Civilian labor force	122,812	47.6
Employed	110,507	42.8
Own children under 6 years	65,507	100
All parents in family in labor force	30,737	46.9
COMMUTING TO WORK		
Workers 16 years and over	244,464	100
Car, truck, or van -- drove alone	185,573	75.9
Car, truck, or van -- carpooled	39,606	16.2
Public transportation (including taxicab)	5,437	2.2
Walked	5,337	2.2
Other means	3,261	1.3
Worked at home	5,250	2.1
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	22.7	(X)
Employed civilian population 16 years & over	240,723	100
OCCUPATION		
Management, professional, and related occupations	70,168	29.1
Service occupations	40,747	16.9
Sales and office occupations	67,617	28.1
Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations	863	0.4
Construction, extraction, and maintenance occupations	20,839	8.7
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	40,489	16.8

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INDUSTRY		
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting, and mining	1,436	0.6
Construction	12,884	5.4
Manufacturing	34,835	14.5
Wholesale trade	9,059	3.8
Retail trade	28,659	11.9
Transportation and warehousing, and utilities	16,414	6.8
Information	8,095	3.4
Finance, insurance, real estate, and rental and leasing	11,322	4.7
Professional, scientific, management, administrative, & waste management svcs	17,602	7.3
Educational, health and social services	55,282	23
Arts, entertainment, recreation, accommodation and food services	19,617	8.1
Other services (except public administration)	11,166	4.6
Public administration	14,352	6
CLASS OF WORKER		
Private wage and salary workers	177,826	73.9
Government workers	48,254	20
Self-employed workers in own not incorporated business	13,915	5.8
Unpaid family workers	728	0.3
INCOME IN 1999		
Households	210,034	100
Less than \$10,000	29,027	13.8
\$10,000 to \$14,999	19,130	9.1
\$15,000 to \$24,999	36,785	17.5
\$25,000 to \$34,999	31,427	15
\$35,000 to \$49,999	34,596	16.5
\$50,000 to \$74,999	32,140	15.3
\$75,000 to \$99,999	13,634	6.5
\$100,000 to \$149,999	8,638	4.1
\$150,000 to \$199,999	2,051	1
\$200,000 or more	2,606	1.2
Median household income (dollars)	\$31,051	(X)

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INCOME IN 1999 (Cont)		
With earnings	173,216	82.5
Mean earnings (dollars)	41,335	(X)
With Social Security income	50,223	23.9
Mean Social Security income (dollars)	9,375	(X)
With Supplemental Security Income	11,540	5.5
Mean Supplemental Security Income (dollars)	5,384	(X)
With public assistance income	14,428	6.9
Mean public assistance income (dollars)	2,101	(X)
With retirement income	31,181	14.8
Mean retirement income (dollars)	\$17,278	(X)
Families	167,276	100
Less than \$10,000	17,547	10.5
\$10,000 to \$14,999	14,404	8.6
\$15,000 to \$24,999	29,637	17.7
\$25,000 to \$34,999	25,381	15.2
\$35,000 to \$49,999	28,804	17.2
\$50,000 to \$74,999	27,813	16.6
\$75,000 to \$99,999	12,063	7.2
\$100,000 to \$149,999	7,602	4.5
\$150,000 to \$199,999	1,791	1.1
\$200,000 or more	2,234	1.3
Median family income (dollars)	\$33,410	(X)
Per capita income (dollars)	13,421	(X)
Median earnings (dollars):		
Male full-time, year-round workers	26,882	(X)
Female full-time, year-round workers	20,722	(X)
POVERTY STATUS IN 1999		
(below poverty level)		
Families	34,264	(X)
Percent below poverty level	(X)	20.5
With related children under 18 years	28,685	(X)
Percent below poverty level	(X)	26.6
With related children under 5 years	14,293	(X)
Percent below poverty level	(X)	30.6
Families with female householder, no husband	13,333	(X)
Percent below poverty level	(X)	36.7

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POVERTY STATUS IN 1999		
(below poverty level) (Cont)		
With related children under 18 years	11,820	(X)
Percent below poverty level	(X)	44.5
With related children under 5 years	5,209	(X)
Percent below poverty level	(X)	52
Individuals	158,722	(X)
Percent below poverty level	(X)	23.8
18 years and over	90,658	(X)
Percent below poverty level	(X)	20
65 years and over	12,029	(X)
Percent below poverty level	(X)	18.5
Related children under 18 years	67,282	(X)
Percent below poverty level	(X)	31.5
Related children 5 to 17 years	48,661	(X)
Percent below poverty level	(X)	31.2
Unrelated individuals 15 years and over	19,261	(X)
Percent below poverty level	(X)	31.9

	Total housing units	224,447	100
UNITS IN STRUCTURE			
1-unit, detached		141,646	63.1
1-unit, attached		11,595	5.2
2 units		5,388	2.4
3 or 4 units		8,271	3.7
5 to 9 units		11,083	4.9
10 to 19 units		7,254	3.2
20 or more units		22,451	10
Mobile home		16,479	7.3
Boat, RV, van, etc.		280	0.1
YEAR STRUCTURE BUILT			
1999 to March 2000		7,197	3.2
1995 to 1998		19,952	8.9
1990 to 1994		18,988	8.5
1980 to 1989		44,314	19.7
1970 to 1979		49,468	22
1960 to 1969		32,280	14.4
1940 to 1959		39,608	17.6
1939 or earlier		12,640	5.6

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NUMBER OF ROOMS		
1 room	5,631	2.5
2 rooms	14,470	6.4
3 rooms	31,462	14
4 rooms	31,598	14.1
5 rooms	49,771	22.2
6 rooms	43,474	19.4
7 rooms	25,181	11.2
8 rooms	12,932	5.8
9 or more rooms	9,928	4.4
Median (rooms)	5.1	(X)
Occupied Housing Units	210,022	100
YEAR HOUSEHOLDER MOVED INTO HOUSING UNIT		
1999 to March 2000	48,015	22.9
1995 to 1998	56,981	27.1
1990 to 1994	32,300	15.4
1980 to 1989	31,428	15
1970 to 1979	22,368	10.7
1969 or earlier	18,930	9
VEHICLES AVAILABLE		
None	21,798	10.4
1	72,950	34.7
2	80,190	38.2
3 or more	35,084	16.7
HEATING FUEL USED IN HOUSE		
Utility gas	171,859	81.8
Bottled, tank, or LP gas	9,879	4.7
Electricity	27,096	12.9
Fuel oil, kerosene, etc.	90	0
Coal or coke	0	0
Wood	164	0.1
Solar energy	59	0
Other fuel	149	0.1
No fuel used	726	0.3

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SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS		
Lacking complete plumbing facilities	2,338	1.1
Lacking complete kitchen facilities	2,099	1
No telephone service	7,695	3.7
OCCUPANTS PER ROOM		
Occupied housing units	210,022	100
1.00 or less	180,277	85.8
1.01 to 1.50	16,983	8.1
1.51 or more	12,762	6.1
Specified owner-occupied units	115,016	100
VALUE		
Less than \$50,000	20,310	17.7
\$50,000 to \$99,999	72,824	63.3
\$100,000 to \$149,999	13,237	11.5
\$150,000 to \$199,999	4,680	4.1
\$200,000 to \$299,999	2,635	2.3
\$300,000 to \$499,999	994	0.9
\$500,000 to \$999,999	321	0.3
\$1,000,000 or more	15	0
Median (dollars)	\$69,600	(X)
MORTGAGE STATUS AND SELECTED		
With a mortgage	73,832	64.2
Less than \$300	896	0.8
\$300 to \$499	7,055	6.1
\$500 to \$699	17,689	15.4
\$700 to \$999	28,278	24.6
\$1,000 to \$1,499	13,734	11.9
\$1,500 to \$1,999	3,715	3.2
\$2,000 or more	2,465	2.1
Median (dollars)	798	(X)
Not mortgaged	41,184	35.8
Median (dollars)	\$257	(X)

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SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS AS A PERCENT OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME IN 1999		
Less than 15. percent	45,293	39.4
15.0 to 19.9 percent	19,299	16.8
20.0 to 24.9 percent	14,845	12.9
25.0 to 29.9 percent	9,928	8.6
30.0 to 34.9 percent	6,449	5.6
35.0 percent or more	17,867	15.5
Not computed	1,335	1.2
Specified renter-occupied units	76,284	100
GROSS RENT		
Less than \$200	6,354	8.3
\$200 to \$299	6,848	9
\$300 to \$499	26,769	35.1
\$500 to \$749	22,413	29.4
\$750 to \$999	6,221	8.2
\$1,000 to \$1,499	1,674	2.2
\$1,500 or more	695	0.9
No cash rent	5,310	7
Median (dollars)	\$468	(X)
GROSS RENT AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME IN 1999		
Less than 15 percent	11,927	15.6
15.0 to 19.9 percent	9,886	13
20.0 to 24.9 percent	8,971	11.8
25.0 to 29.9 percent	8,292	10.9
30.0 to 34.9 percent	5,896	7.7
35.0 percent or more	23,766	31.2
Not computed	7,546	9.9

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