



## Growth Trends

Orange County's population increased from 114,950 in 1950 to 896,344 in 2000. According to the U.S. 2000 Census, it was ranked 45th by population size and 20th in population increase among all counties nationwide. Between 1990 and 2000, Orange County had a 32.3% growth rate and was ranked the fastest growing county among all counties in Florida with population over 500,000. Within the same period, Orange County's population increased by 218,853 people. About 75% of the increase was in the unincorporated area.

A detailed study of population trends and projections is available from the Orange County Planning Division:

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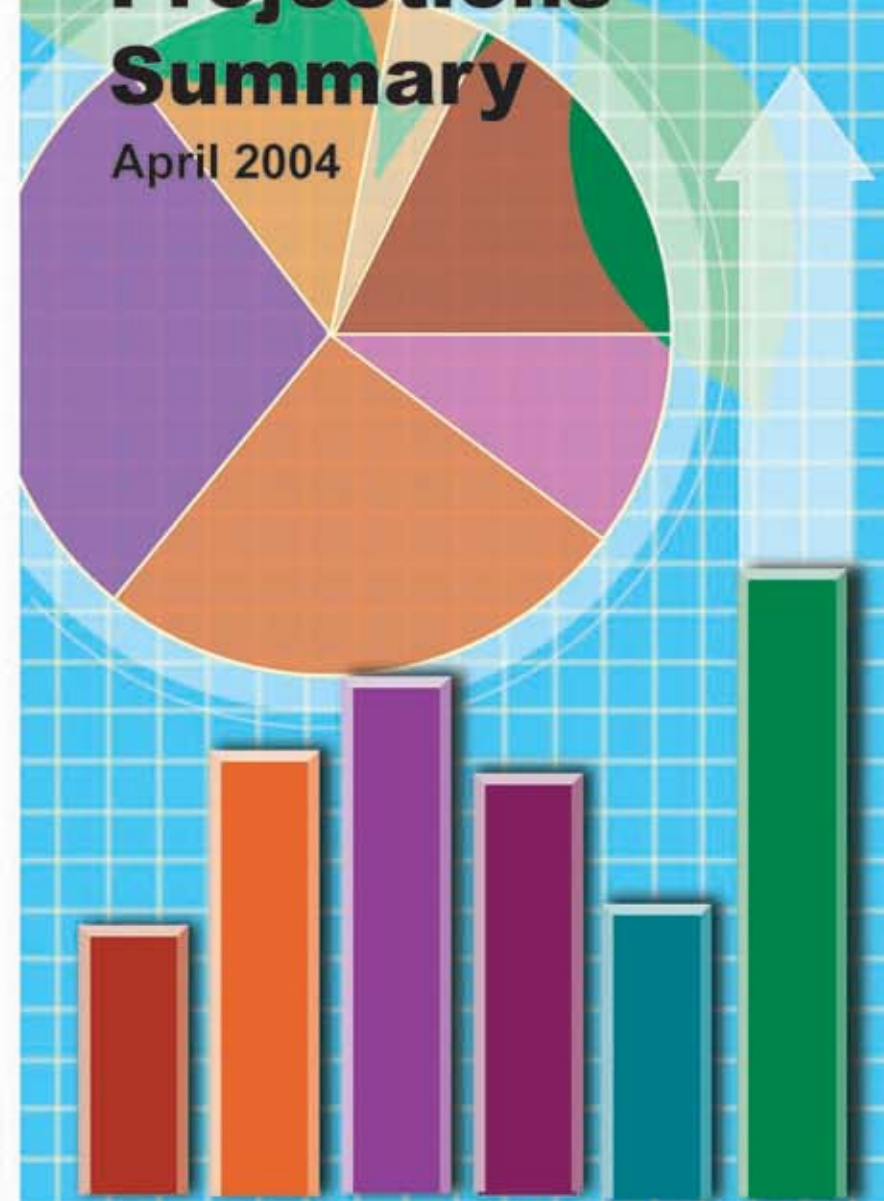
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# Orange County, Florida Population Projections Summary

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## Population Growth through 2030

- Orange County will continue to be the fastest growing county among Florida's most populous counties and will be the fourth largest county by population size in Florida.
- Based on the Moderate Growth Projection, Orange County is projected to have 26% growth per decade and to add approximately 900,000 people.
- About 63% of the projected population increase will be due to people moving into Orange County. Of the people moving into Orange County, about 56% are projected to be ages 15 to 29.
- About 71% of the total county population will live in the unincorporated area, compared to 67% in the year 2000.



### Orange County Population Projections through 2030

Growth Scenario	2000	2010	2020	2030
High	896,344	1,185,124	1,562,733	1,974,022
Moderate	896,344	1,139,864	1,437,418	1,797,582
Low	896,344	1,139,864	1,392,049	1,636,251

Source: Orange County Planning Division

## Population by Age Group through 2030



### Population Projections by Age Group through 2030

Age Group	2000	2030	Change 2000-30	Change 2000-30
Preschoolers (0-4)	61,375	91,200	29,825	49%
Students (5-19)	192,255	392,134	199,879	104%
Younger Workforce (20-44)	373,439	684,390	310,951	83%
Older Workforce (45-64)	179,316	380,749	201,433	112%
Retirees (65-74)	49,369	153,007	103,638	210%
Elderly (75+)	40,590	96,102	55,512	137%
<b>Total</b>	<b>896,344</b>	<b>1,797,582</b>	<b>901,238</b>	<b>101%</b>

Source: Moderate Growth Projection, Orange County Planning Division, 2003

- Though birth rates are projected to decline in the next thirty years, about 30,000 Preschoolers will be added to Orange County's population, due to a faster growth rate for women of childbearing age.
- The population aged 5-19 will double and add about 200,000 people to Orange County.
- Members of the Workforce aged 20-44 will continue to make up the largest population share (38%) and have the largest increase (310,951) in population among all groups.
- The Workforce aged 45-64 will double its population size and add about 200,000 people to Orange County.
- The total Workforce population will almost double its 2000 population and comprise about 60% of the total county population in 2030.
- Retirees and Elderly age groups will add a total of 160,000 people.
- The age group 65-74 will triple its 2000 population by 2030.
- People aged 75 and up will be the fastest growing age group with a 56.4% growth rate between 2020 and 2030.

## Elementary, Middle, and High School Age Projections

- The combined elementary, middle, and high school-aged population in Orange County will double and add about 167,000 students to Orange County schools by the year 2030.
- Elementary school-aged students are forecasted to have a growth rate of 28% to 32% per decade and are projected to add about 22,000 to 40,000 new students to Orange County schools in each decade.
- Middle school-aged students will have a growth rate of 13% to 18% per decade and are projected to add about 5,800 to 6,800 new students to Orange County schools in each decade.
- High school-aged students will have a growth rate of 27% to 30% per decade and are projected to add about 15,000 to 23,000 new students to Orange County schools in each decade.



### Elementary, Middle, and High School Age Projections

Year	Elementary School (Ages 5-10)	Middle School (Ages 11-13)	High School (Ages 14-17)	Total Population (Ages 5-17)
2000	77,975	38,203	50,740	166,918
2010	100,280	44,969	66,125	211,374
2020	128,645	50,780	83,776	263,201
2030	169,592	57,452	106,714	333,758
2000-10	22,304	6,766	15,385	44,456
2010-20	28,365	5,810	17,651	51,827
2020-30	40,947	6,672	22,938	70,557
2000-30	91,616	19,249	55,975	166,840
2000-10	29%	18%	30%	27%
2010-20	28%	13%	27%	25%
2020-30	32%	13%	27%	27%
2000-30	118%	50%	110%	100%

Source: Moderate Growth Projection, Orange County Planning Division, 2003