

POPULATION

Postcensal estimates show that New Jersey's population as of July 1, 2004 was 8,698,879. The tables in this section contain statewide population estimates by age, race/ethnicity, and sex and totals by county.

Federal standards (OMB-15) required that the 2000 Census allow respondents to choose White, Black or African American, American Indian or Alaska Native, Asian, Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander, some other race, or any combination of these six race groups to describe themselves. The OMB-15 guidelines went into effect for New Jersey death data collection in 2004, but birth data were still collected under the previous guidelines. Therefore informants could only select one of five mutually exclusive race groups on birth certificates in 2004: White, Black, American Indian or Alaska Native, Asian or Pacific Islander, or other. This complicates the calculation of race-specific rates since race data were not measured the same way in the numerator (the number of births) and the denominator (the population). To address this statistical problem, the National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS), in collaboration with the U.S. Census Bureau, developed population estimates which assign multiple-race respondents to only one of the single-race categories to bridge the gap between the 2000 Census and the implementation of new vital event certificates. Hence, these estimates are referred to as "bridged-race" population estimates (Table P1).

With the switch to multiple-race reporting on death certificates in 2004, for the first time some New Jersey vital events data can be displayed for persons of more than one race. Table P2 presents population data for four single-race categories: White, Black, Asian/Pacific Islander, and American Indian/Alaska Native and a combined category (Two or More Races) for those persons who selected more than one race.

Estimates of the Hispanic population are also presented in Tables P1 and P2. Hispanic ethnicity is collected separately from race data in the Census and on vital events certificates. For these summary tables, Hispanic ethnicity is shown for all races combined.

Population estimates by county are in Table P3.

The National Center for Health Statistics' website has bridged postcensal population estimates by county, single-year of age, bridged-race, Hispanic origin, and sex.

The Department of Labor's website has unbridged county population estimates and other Census data.

The Technical Notes section contains information on sources of data and racial and ethnic classification.

TABLE P1. BRIDGED-RACE POPULATION ESTIMATES BY AGE, RACE/ETHNICITY, AND SEX FOR USE WITH BIRTH DATA

NEW JERSEY, 2004

Age	Total	All Races		White		Black		Hispanic		Asian and Pacific Islander		American Indian and Alaska Native	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
All	8,698,879	4,235,853	4,463,026	2,706,139	2,882,351	556,906	624,154	658,580	635,842	306,230	312,475	7,998	8,204
<5	581,467	296,262	285,205	159,674	153,628	48,344	47,117	64,252	61,245	23,659	22,857	333	358
5-9	584,949	299,084	285,865	176,581	167,508	46,765	45,030	52,869	50,585	22,271	22,147	598	595
10-14	627,081	321,064	306,017	192,844	183,323	52,915	51,176	52,970	50,520	21,689	20,361	646	637
15-19	588,185	301,084	287,101	183,100	173,456	48,611	47,962	49,176	46,878	19,568	18,198	629	607
20-24	518,314	267,042	251,272	144,786	139,774	43,634	43,418	59,318	49,410	18,708	18,138	596	532
25-29	499,332	254,862	244,470	128,389	126,682	37,636	39,492	64,592	52,992	23,704	24,836	541	468
30-34	595,682	297,477	298,205	161,704	163,631	40,500	45,362	61,897	55,177	32,780	33,494	596	541
35-39	677,734	335,439	342,295	201,855	205,850	43,473	49,663	59,332	55,281	30,113	30,854	666	647
40-44	738,550	365,449	373,101	238,279	241,228	44,777	51,431	53,816	51,569	27,868	28,235	709	638
45-49	690,607	338,505	352,102	235,483	239,720	38,169	45,062	40,347	41,669	23,835	24,981	671	670
50-54	584,551	282,578	301,973	202,962	211,570	30,178	38,012	30,124	32,320	18,753	19,484	561	587
55-59	502,533	239,955	262,578	177,895	189,102	23,982	31,652	23,013	25,672	14,636	15,676	429	476
60-64	383,753	180,866	202,887	134,905	147,192	18,674	25,236	16,286	19,182	10,681	10,876	320	401
65-69	284,645	130,280	154,365	96,930	112,798	13,909	19,324	11,668	14,115	7,551	7,852	222	276
70-74	258,394	111,360	147,034	88,286	114,105	10,376	15,755	7,887	10,981	4,624	5,951	187	242
75-79	237,715	96,727	140,988	80,469	116,159	7,404	12,263	5,739	8,182	2,983	4,174	132	210
80-84	182,579	68,140	114,439	58,863	98,318	4,414	8,405	3,099	5,138	1,689	2,436	75	142
85+	162,808	49,679	113,129	43,134	98,307	3,145	7,794	2,195	4,926	1,118	1,925	87	177
Total by Race/Ethnicity:		8,698,879		5,588,490		1,181,060		1,294,422		618,705		16,202	
Percent of Total:		100.0		64.2		13.6		14.9		7.1		0.2	

Data for White, Black, Asian/Pacific Islander, and American Indian/Alaska Native do not include Hispanics.

Hispanic ethnicity includes persons of any race.

Source: National Center for Health Statistics, Bridged-Race Vintage 2004 Postcensal Population Estimates

**TABLE P2. POPULATION ESTIMATES BY AGE, RACE/ETHNICITY, AND SEX FOR USE WITH DEATH DATA
NEW JERSEY, 2004**

Age	Total	All Races		White		Black		Hispanic		Asian and Pacific Islander		American Indian and Alaska Native		Two or More Races	
		Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
All	8,698,879	4,235,853	4,463,026	2,686,958	2,862,315	543,544	609,848	658,580	635,842	298,255	304,600	6,334	6,375	42,182	44,046
<5	581,467	296,262	285,205	156,611	150,528	46,174	45,105	64,252	61,245	22,684	21,890	264	293	6,277	6,144
5-9	584,949	299,084	285,865	173,778	164,627	44,868	43,172	52,869	50,585	21,358	21,249	466	453	5,745	5,779
10-14	627,081	321,064	306,017	190,406	180,947	51,156	49,586	52,970	50,520	20,885	19,611	503	484	5,144	4,869
15-19	588,185	301,084	287,101	181,084	171,519	47,219	46,602	49,176	46,878	18,872	17,611	490	449	4,243	4,042
20-24	518,314	267,042	251,272	143,364	138,289	42,527	42,379	59,318	49,410	18,128	17,539	463	399	3,242	3,256
25-29	499,332	254,862	244,470	127,319	125,544	36,821	38,653	64,592	52,992	23,185	24,280	420	353	2,525	2,648
30-34	595,682	297,477	298,205	160,654	162,493	39,724	44,497	61,897	55,177	32,176	32,905	459	430	2,567	2,703
35-39	677,734	335,439	342,295	200,852	204,743	42,782	48,754	59,332	55,281	29,561	30,265	536	511	2,376	2,741
40-44	738,550	365,449	373,101	237,259	240,151	44,099	50,555	53,816	51,569	27,293	27,681	564	487	2,418	2,658
45-49	690,607	338,505	352,102	234,565	238,782	37,602	44,303	40,347	41,669	23,304	24,507	539	510	2,148	2,331
50-54	584,551	282,578	301,973	202,312	210,843	29,730	37,402	30,124	32,320	18,398	19,140	455	456	1,559	1,812
55-59	502,533	239,955	262,578	177,367	188,552	23,629	31,175	23,013	25,672	14,363	15,414	337	363	1,246	1,402
60-64	383,753	180,866	202,887	134,503	146,793	18,448	24,923	16,286	19,182	10,497	10,669	254	312	878	1,008
65-69	284,645	130,280	154,365	96,692	112,523	13,733	19,088	11,668	14,115	7,403	7,694	182	229	602	716
70-74	258,394	111,360	147,034	88,093	113,850	10,241	15,521	7,887	10,981	4,501	5,820	158	200	480	662
75-79	237,715	96,727	140,988	80,302	115,913	7,328	12,104	5,739	8,182	2,915	4,095	108	173	335	521
80-84	182,579	68,140	114,439	58,762	98,125	4,355	8,310	3,099	5,138	1,645	2,367	58	120	221	379
85+	162,808	49,679	113,129	43,035	98,093	3,108	7,719	2,195	4,926	1,087	1,863	78	153	176	375
Total by Race/Ethnicity:		8,698,879		5,549,273		1,153,392		1,294,422		602,855		12,709		86,228	
Percent of Total:		100.0		63.8		13.3		14.9		6.9		0.1		1.0	

Data for White, Black, Asian/Pacific Islander, and American Indian/Alaska Native are counts of persons who only selected one of those races.

Data for White, Black, Asian/Pacific Islander, American Indian/Alaska Native, and Two or More Races do not include Hispanics.

Hispanic ethnicity includes persons of any race.

Source: US Bureau of the Census, Population Division, August 11, 2005

TABLE P3. POPULATION ESTIMATES BY COUNTY NEW JERSEY, 2004	
Atlantic	268,693
Bergen	902,998
Burlington	449,685
Camden	516,282
Cape May	100,758
Cumberland	151,183
Essex	796,684
Gloucester	271,806
Hudson	606,240
Hunterdon	129,746
Mercer	365,271
Middlesex	785,095
Monmouth	636,298
Morris	488,173
Ocean	553,251
Passaic	500,427
Salem	65,346
Somerset	316,750
Sussex	152,218
Union	531,957
Warren	110,018
NEW JERSEY	8,698,879

Source: National Center for Health Statistics and U.S. Census Bureau