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This report presents population estimates for Oregon and its counties and incorporated cities for July 1, 1999. The ten tables in this report show current 1999 population estimates as well as historical data.

- Table 1 presents the components of population change for the state of Oregon, from 1960 to 1999.
- Table 2 shows the components of population change for Oregon's counties, from 1990 to 1999.
- Table 3 shows the population size for the state of Oregon and its counties and incorporated cities, from 1990 to 1999.
- Table 4 presents the rank of Oregon's incorporated cities by their July 1, 1999 population size.
- Table 5 offers an alphabetical listing of Oregon's incorporated cities with their estimate of population size on July 1, 1999 and the change between 1990-1999.
- Table 6 shows population information on Oregon's incorporated cities that are located in more than one county.
- Table 7 presents information on the population added to incorporated cities due to annexation during April 1, 1990 to July 1, 1999.
- Table 8 shows the population by area types and the population for specific metropolitan areas during April 1, 1990 to July 1, 1999.
- Table 9 displays estimates for the population by age and sex for the state of Oregon and its counties for July 1, 1999.
- Table 10 shows estimates for the population by selected age groups (birth to 17 years of age, 18 to 64 years of age, and 65 years of age and older) for the state of Oregon and its counties for July 1, 1999.

State Requirements for Population Estimates

Oregon law (Oregon Regulatory Statutes 190.510 to 190.610) mandates the Population Research Center,

Portland State University, acting on behalf of the State Board of Higher Education, to prepare annual population estimates for each county and incorporated city in the state of Oregon. The principal purpose of the population estimates is for the allocation of selected tax revenues to cities and counties.

The Population Research Center had its origin in 1956, when the state government organized a State Census Office in Portland. The purpose of the State Census Office was to oversee and certify special censuses that rapidly growing towns conducted in order to document their population figures. The State Census Office eventually expanded its role to include the certification of the population added by annexations and the preparation of annual population estimates for counties.

Administrative responsibilities for population estimates were transferred to Portland State University in 1965, when the unit changed its name to the present one. The Population Center is located within the College of Urban and Public Affairs.

Duties of the Population Center

In addition to preparing population estimates and projections, the Center houses the Oregon State Data Center, the lead agency in Oregon for contact and collaboration with the U.S. Bureau of the Census and for dissemination of census data and documents. This information includes current and past census data for Oregon as well as results from Census Bureau surveys.

The Population Center provides a research and teaching focus for the investigation of the causes and consequences of demographic change in current society. Typical research activities include enrollment forecasts for school districts, survey research on population issues, social and economic factors affecting demographic change, population distribution and migration, population geography, and demographic methods. Population staff regularly assist city, county, and state governments on examination of population issues.

Staff in the Population Center teach in the School of Urban Studies and Planning, College of Urban and Public Affairs. The School of Urban Studies and Planning offers a graduate certificate program in

applied demography, an applied demography curriculum in the Master of Urban Studies degree program, and a graduate concentration within applied demography in the Ph.D. program.

Methods for Population Estimates

We include all residents in cities, counties, and the state in the population estimates. All residents include people living in their own homes, rental homes or apartments, mobile homes, or in college dormitories, nursing homes, jails and prisons, and other group quarters. We consider college students to be residents of the place where they live while attending college. We count seasonal residents as living at the place that they consider to be their usual residence.

We have developed methods for Oregon's population estimates to be as accurate as possible. Toward this goal, we work closely with state, county, and city officials, requesting information from them and inviting their review of our methods and estimates.

For estimates for the state population, we rely on the observed registration of births and deaths for an estimate of natural increase (the excess of births minus deaths). For the second component of population, migration, we rely on school enrollments data for an estimate of net migration for the population under 18 years, non-farm payroll information for the population aged 18 to 64, and Medicare data for the population aged 65 and older.

We base county population estimates on a method called ratio correlation. The ratio correlation method relates changes since the 1990 census to changes in state tax returns, school enrollments, births, and voter registration -- all for county populations. We track changes in each of these types of administrative data

since the 1990 census to make an estimate of the current county populations. We also examine changes in the housing stock for counties as a check on the accuracy of the county estimates.

We determine city population estimates based on changes in the housing stock. City officials report each year on the changes in their city's housing stock (for single family units, multi-unit residents, and mobile homes) and the number of persons residing in group quarters. We also take into account any population changes that have been due to annexations. We separately estimate possible changes due to the number of people per housing unit and use this information to prepare the city's final population estimate.

We monitor city annexations throughout the year. We are informed about annexations by the office of the Secretary of State. When an annexation occurs, we contact city officials to find out the number of residential housing units and population, if any, involved in the annexation. If the annexation added people to the city's population, then we certify an updated city population on a quarterly basis, in a special report to the Secretary of State's office.

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Table 1. Components of Population Change for Oregon: 1960 to 1999

Date	Population	Population change	Births	Deaths	Natural Increase	Net Migration
April 1, 1960	1,768,687					
July 1, 1961	1,798,000	29,313	31,660	14,060	17,600	11,713
July 1, 1962	1,828,000	30,000	36,535	16,735	19,800	10,200
July 1, 1963	1,856,000	28,000	32,971	16,171	16,800	11,200
July 1, 1964	1,884,000	28,000	32,687	17,287	15,400	12,600
July 1, 1965	1,912,000	28,000	32,585	17,785	14,800	13,200
July 1, 1966	1,947,200	35,200	31,210	17,710	13,500	21,700
July 1, 1967	1,980,000	32,800	30,711	18,211	12,500	20,300
July 1, 1968	2,018,900	38,900	32,464	19,364	13,100	25,800
July 1, 1969	2,057,000	38,100	34,423	20,123	14,300	23,800
April 1, 1970	2,091,533	34,533	27,345	15,445	11,900	22,633
July 1, 1971	2,129,900	38,367	45,357	26,157	19,200	19,167
July 1, 1972	2,167,000	37,100	31,332	19,532	11,800	25,300
July 1, 1973	2,217,600	50,600	30,939	20,439	10,500	40,100
July 1, 1974	2,271,900	54,300	31,123	20,223	10,900	43,400
July 1, 1975	2,326,200	54,300	32,934	20,234	12,700	41,600
July 1, 1976	2,386,700	60,500	33,613	20,013	13,600	46,900
July 1, 1977	2,451,900	65,200	37,546	21,246	16,300	48,900
July 1, 1978	2,521,900	70,000	37,231	20,131	17,100	52,900
July 1, 1979	2,584,300	62,400	41,271	21,471	19,800	42,600
April 1, 1980	2,633,156	48,856	30,554	15,554	15,000	33,856
July 1, 1981	2,660,735	27,579	53,879	27,279	26,600	979
July 1, 1982	2,656,185	-4,550	42,261	21,548	20,713	-25,263
July 1, 1983	2,635,000	-21,185	40,378	22,039	18,339	-39,524
July 1, 1984	2,660,000	25,000	39,611	22,702	16,909	8,091
July 1, 1985	2,675,800	15,800	39,296	23,531	15,765	35
July 1, 1986	2,661,500	-14,300	39,332	23,403	15,929	-30,229
July 1, 1987	2,690,000	28,500	38,702	23,695	15,007	13,493
July 1, 1988	2,741,000	51,000	39,120	24,752	14,368	36,632
July 1, 1989	2,791,000	50,000	40,648	24,705	15,943	34,057
April 1, 1990	2,842,321	51,321	42,008	24,763	17,245	34,076
July 1, 1991	2,930,000	87,679	42,682	24,944	17,738	69,941
July 1, 1992	2,979,000	49,000	42,427	25,166	17,261	31,739
July 1, 1993	3,038,000	59,000	41,442	26,543	14,899	44,101
July 1, 1994	3,082,000	44,000	41,487	27,564	13,923	30,077
July 1, 1995	3,132,000	50,000	42,426	27,552	14,874	35,126
July 1, 1996	3,181,000	49,000	43,083	28,628	14,455	34,545
July 1, 1997	3,217,000	36,000	43,138	27,906	15,232	20,768
July 1, 1998	3,267,550	50,550	44,564	28,173	16,391	34,159
July 1, 1999	3,300,800	33,250	44,361	28,774	15,587	17,663

Table 2. Components of Population Change for Oregon's Counties: April 1, 1990 to July 1, 1999

	July 1, 1999 Population Estimate	April 1, 1990 Census Population	Population Change 1990-99	Percentage Change 1990-1999	Births 1990-99	Deaths 1990-99	Natural Increase 1990-99	Net Migration 1990-99
STATE	3,300,800	2,842,321	458,479	16.1	397,287	251,921	145,366	313,113
BAKER	16,700	15,317	1,383	9.0	1,655	1,759	-104	1,487
BENTON	77,100	70,811	6,289	8.9	7,553	3,920	3,633	2,656
CLACKAMAS	326,850	278,850	48,000	17.2	36,998	21,432	15,566	32,434
CLATSOP	34,750	33,301	1,449	4.4	3,824	3,479	345	1,104
COLUMBIA	42,650	37,557	5,093	13.6	4,459	2,921	1,538	3,555
COOS	61,350	60,273	1,077	1.8	6,275	6,907	-632	1,709
CROOK	16,800	14,111	2,689	19.1	1,986	1,514	472	2,217
CURRY	22,050	19,327	2,723	14.1	1,691	2,348	-657	3,380
DESCHUTES	106,700	74,958	31,742	42.3	11,088	6,747	4,341	27,401
DOUGLAS	100,850	94,649	6,201	6.6	10,788	9,824	964	5,237
GILLIAM	2,100	1,717	383	22.3	149	155	-6	389
GRANT	8,000	7,853	147	1.9	897	732	165	-18
HARNEY	7,600	7,060	540	7.6	783	682	101	439
HOOD RIVER	19,700	16,903	2,797	16.5	2,744	1,402	1,342	1,455
JACKSON	174,550	146,389	28,161	19.2	18,927	14,744	4,183	23,978
JEFFERSON	17,650	13,676	3,974	29.1	2,666	1,180	1,486	2,488
JOSEPHINE	73,400	62,649	10,751	17.2	7,378	8,070	-692	11,443
KLAMATH	62,300	57,702	4,598	8.0	7,806	5,520	2,286	2,312
LAKE	7,400	7,186	214	3.0	806	687	119	95
LANE	315,700	282,912	32,788	11.6	33,909	23,570	10,339	22,449
LINCOLN	43,350	38,889	4,461	11.5	4,178	4,589	-411	4,872
LINN	103,000	91,227	11,773	12.9	12,569	8,513	4,056	7,717
MALHEUR	30,700	26,038	4,662	17.9	4,588	2,456	2,132	2,530
MARION	275,250	228,483	46,767	20.5	38,403	20,985	17,418	29,349
MORROW	9,550	7,625	1,925	25.2	1,282	624	658	1,267
MULTNOMAH	646,850	583,887	62,963	10.8	84,606	53,110	31,496	31,467
POLK	60,100	49,541	10,559	21.3	6,199	4,359	1,840	8,719
SHERMAN	1,900	1,918	-18	-0.9	172	181	-9	-9
TILLAMOOK	24,100	21,570	2,530	11.7	2,270	2,495	-225	2,755
UMATILLA	68,000	59,249	8,751	14.8	9,056	4,978	4,078	4,673
UNION	24,500	23,598	902	3.8	2,781	2,079	702	200
WALLOWA	7,200	6,911	289	4.2	625	717	-92	381
WASCO	22,650	21,683	967	4.5	2,711	2,375	336	631
WASHINGTON	404,750	311,554	93,196	29.9	55,749	21,295	34,454	58,742
WHEELER	1,600	1,396	204	14.6	123	168	-45	249
YAMHILL	83,100	65,551	17,549	26.8	9,593	5,404	4,189	13,360

Table 3. Populations of Oregon and Its Counties and Incorporated Cities: April 1, 1990 to July 1, 1999

County and City	July 1 Population Estimates									U.S. Census Count
	1999	1998	1997	1996	1995	1994	1993	1992	1991	4/1/90
STATE	3,300,800	3,267,550	3,217,000	3,181,000	3,132,000	3,082,000	3,038,000	2,979,000	2,930,000	2,842,321
BAKER	16,700	16,700	16,500	16,500	16,500	16,300	16,100	15,800	15,700	15,317
Baker City	10,155	10,160	9,960	9,870	9,730	9,585	9,450	9,300	9,275	9,140
Greenhorn	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	
Haines	480	470	455	440	420	410	430	415	410	405
Halfway	345	350	360	355	345	340	335	320	315	311
Huntington	575	580	575	575	565	560	555	540	540	522
Richland	175	180	185	185	185	180	175	170	170	161
Sumpter	175	175	175	175	175	165	160	140	125	119
Unity	155	145	110	110	115	110	105	110	110	87
Uninc.	4,637	4,637	4,677	4,787	4,962	4,947	4,887	4,802	4,752	4,572
BENTON	77,100	76,600	76,700	76,000	75,500	75,400	73,300	72,900	72,900	70,811
Adair Village	570	570	570	565	565	565	565	570	555	554
Corvallis	50,880	49,630	51,145	49,275	47,485	46,195	46,260	45,470	45,780	44,757
Monroe	550	555	530	495	495	485	480	480	465	448
Philomath	3,890	3,770	3,380	3,300	3,315	3,195	3,030	3,045	3,040	2,983
Uninc.	16,230	17,335	16,535	18,015	19,440	20,885	18,990	19,445	19,185	22,054
CLACKAMAS	326,850	323,600	317,700	313,200	308,600	305,500	302,000	294,500	288,700	278,850
Barlow	125	125	125	125	130	130	130	130	120	118
Canby	12,595	12,465	11,725	11,430	10,855	10,405	9,815	9,565	9,370	8,990
Estacada	2,200	2,190	2,100	2,065	2,060	2,045	2,025	2,020	2,025	2,016
Gladstone	11,695	11,745	11,680	11,605	11,475	11,325	10,975	10,930	10,420	10,152
Happy Valley	3,965	3,540	3,125	2,825	2,660	2,365	2,060	1,910	1,650	1,519
Johnson City	615	625	625	625	615	620	615	620	610	586
Lake Oswego*	34,110	34,280	34,065	34,005	33,145	32,940	32,555	31,885	31,545	30,576
Milwaukie	20,075	20,220	20,055	20,065	20,015	19,930	19,955	19,550	19,450	18,670
Molalla	5,670	5,395	4,920	4,505	4,045	3,915	3,820	3,680	3,650	3,637
Oregon City	23,405	22,560	21,895	20,410	18,980	17,545	17,315	16,810	16,760	14,698
Rivergrove*	310	300	300	300	300	300	300	295	295	294
Sandy	5,300	5,135	5,030	4,895	4,685	4,520	4,370	4,360	4,275	4,154
West Linn	22,835	21,405	20,415	19,960	19,370	18,860	18,165	17,645	17,160	16,389
Wilsonville*	12,985	12,290	10,940	10,600	9,765	9,680	9,580	9,255	8,755	7,106
Uninc.	170,330	170,669	170,049	169,147	169,879	170,379	169,874	165,549	162,559	160,128
CLATSOP	34,750	34,700	34,500	34,600	34,300	33,900	33,700	33,100	33,200	33,301
Astoria	9,990	10,090	10,110	10,130	10,100	10,050	10,000	9,945	10,000	10,069
Cannon Beach	1,425	1,425	1,425	1,395	1,365	1,330	1,310	1,270	1,255	1,221
Gearhart	1,245	1,230	1,215	1,205	1,170	1,125	1,055	1,045	1,045	1,027
Hammond**	0	0							610	589
Seaside	6,130	6,170	6,005	5,860	5,750	5,655	5,580	5,480	5,420	5,359
Warrenton	4,205	4,175	4,040	3,940	3,845	3,820	3,575	3,420	2,715	2,681
Uninc.	11,755	11,610	11,705	12,070	12,070	11,920	12,180	11,940	12,155	12,355

Table 3. Populations of Oregon and Its Counties and Incorporated Cities: April 1, 1990 to July 1, 1999 (continued)

County and City	July 1 Population Estimates									U.S. Census Count
	1999	1998	1997	1996	1995	1994	1993	1992	1991	4/1/90
COLUMBIA	42,650	42,300	41,500	40,100	39,700	39,400	38,800	38,800	37,800	37,557
Clatskanie	1,870	1,870	1,880	1,875	1,885	1,870	1,855	1,810	1,785	1,629
Columbia City	1,665	1,635	1,550	1,465	1,385	1,240	1,120	1,070	1,045	1,003
Prescott	60	60	60	60	60	60	65	65	65	63
Rainier	1,810	1,800	1,780	1,755	1,720	1,700	1,690	1,685	1,675	1,674
St. Helens	9,300	9,060	8,555	8,300	8,080	7,945	7,800	7,700	7,620	7,535
Scappoose	4,970	4,855	4,650	4,130	3,845	3,705	3,635	3,605	3,565	3,529
Vernonia	2,420	2,425	2,345	2,180	2,110	2,035	1,910	1,870	1,825	1,808
Uninc.	20,555	20,595	20,680	20,335	20,615	20,845	20,725	20,995	20,220	20,316
COOS	61,350	61,400	61,400	61,700	62,100	62,800	62,500	62,100	61,200	60,273
Bandon	2,875	2,820	2,790	2,760	2,610	2,430	2,425	2,390	2,335	2,224
Coos Bay	15,630	15,615	15,635	15,520	15,430	15,450	15,170	15,150	15,065	15,076
Coquille	4,300	4,235	4,235	4,225	4,230	4,195	4,185	4,115	4,095	4,121
Eastside***	0	0								
Lakeside	1,680	1,675	1,675	1,630	1,630	1,615	1,530	1,470	1,445	1,437
Myrtle Point	2,695	2,725	2,725	2,730	2,740	2,740	2,740	2,715	2,680	2,712
North Bend	9,995	9,910	9,885	9,885	9,855	9,840	9,800	9,760	9,730	9,614
Powers	720	665	695	695	680	680	685	680	680	682
Uninc.	23,455	23,755	23,760	24,255	24,925	25,850	25,965	25,820	25,170	24,407
CROOK	16,800	16,650	16,250	15,900	15,700	15,700	15,300	15,000	14,600	14,111
Prineville	7,255	6,920	6,560	6,230	6,095	5,945	5,800	5,625	5,515	5,355
Uninc.	9,545	9,730	9,690	9,670	9,605	9,755	9,500	9,375	9,085	8,756
CURRY	22,050	22,000	22,200	22,000	22,200	22,000	21,300	21,400	20,500	19,327
Brookings	5,620	5,510	5,440	5,400	5,220	5,100	4,970	4,900	4,675	4,400
Gold Beach	2,200	2,150	2,160	2,115	2,080	1,655	1,650	1,640	1,605	1,546
Port Orford	1,040	1,055	1,065	1,050	1,050	1,035	1,025	1,025	1,010	1,025
Uninc.	13,190	13,285	13,535	13,435	13,850	14,210	13,655	13,835	13,210	12,356
DESCHUTES	106,700	104,900	101,200	98,000	94,100	89,500	86,800	82,600	79,800	74,958
Bend	50,650	35,635	33,740	32,220	30,630	29,425	27,555	24,715	22,505	20,447
Redmond	12,810	12,435	11,990	11,175	10,585	9,650	8,955	8,365	7,870	7,165
Sisters	840	850	805	775	775	765	765	760	745	708
Uninc.	42,400	55,980	54,665	53,830	52,110	49,660	49,525	48,760	48,680	46,638
DOUGLAS	100,850	100,300	99,100	98,600	97,700	97,100	96,400	96,300	96,100	94,649
Canyonville	1,350	1,340	1,285	1,265	1,235	1,245	1,230	1,220	1,225	1,219
Drain	1,155	1,145	1,140	1,115	1,110	1,100	1,105	1,105	1,105	1,086
Elkton	180	180	180	180	180	180	180	180	175	172
Glendale	770	770	765	730	730	725	715	710	715	707
Myrtle Creek	3,670	3,600	3,475	3,410	3,290	3,190	3,105	3,095	3,100	3,063
Oakland	875	870	870	870	870	860	860	855	850	844
Reedsport	4,855	4,860	4,835	4,860	4,860	4,865	4,875	4,870	4,835	4,796
Riddle	1,220	1,220	1,210	1,170	1,160	1,165	1,155	1,150	1,140	1,143
Roseburg	20,490	20,215	19,810	19,720	19,220	18,910	18,610	17,910	17,900	17,069
Sutherlin	6,930	6,690	6,360	5,995	5,830	5,690	5,315	5,155	5,080	5,020
Winston	4,655	4,480	4,265	4,170	4,075	3,985	3,885	3,845	3,805	3,773
Yoncalla	1,090	1,065	1,020	980	960	955	935	940	930	919
Uninc.	53,610	53,865	53,885	54,135	54,180	54,230	54,430	55,265	55,240	54,838

Table 3. Populations of Oregon and Its Counties and Incorporated Cities: April 1, 1990 to July 1, 1999 (continued)

County and City	July 1 Population Estimates									U.S.
	1999	1998	1997	1996	1995	1994	1993	1992	1991	Census Count 4/1/90
GILLIAM	2,100	2,100	1,950	1,900	1,750	1,750	1,750	1,750	1,700	1,717
Arlington	535	530	500	485	460	460	475	470	475	425
Condon	835	830	800	790	760	735	725	710	670	635
Lonerock	25	25	25	25	25	20	15	10	10	11
Uninc.	705	715	625	600	505	535	535	560	545	646
GRANT	8,000	8,000	7,950	8,100	7,950	7,900	7,900	8,000	7,850	7,853
Canyon City	725	725	720	705	685	660	650	630	625	648
Dayville	185	185	185	185	185	170	165	160	155	144
Granite	25	25	25	25	20	15	10	10	10	8
John Day	2,010	2,015	1,930	1,940	1,900	1,900	1,905	1,900	1,885	1,857
Long Creek	235	260	240	240	235	240	245	245	245	249
Monument	160	165	185	185	180	175	175	175	170	162
Mt. Vernon	670	650	645	645	645	625	585	575	555	549
Prairie City	1,205	1,195	1,175	1,180	1,170	1,160	1,150	1,145	1,125	1,117
Seneca	215	230	230	230	230	215	205	200	195	191
Uninc.	2,570	2,550	2,615	2,765	2,700	2,740	2,810	2,960	2,885	2,928
HARNEY	7,600	7,600	7,500	7,500	7,050	6,900	6,900	6,950	7,050	7,060
Burns	2,945	3,015	2,975	2,935	2,890	2,870	2,870	2,880	2,905	2,913
Hines	1,535	1,550	1,505	1,480	1,445	1,445	1,435	1,425	1,425	1,452
Uninc.	3,120	3,035	3,020	3,085	2,715	2,585	2,595	2,645	2,720	2,695
HOOD RIVER	19,700	19,500	19,200	19,000	18,700	18,400	17,900	17,600	17,100	16,903
Cascade Locks	1,085	1,095	1,075	1,050	1,045	1,035	1,025	970	975	930
Hood River	5,135	5,130	5,065	5,110	4,940	4,875	4,725	4,725	4,715	4,632
Uninc.	13,480	13,275	13,060	12,840	12,715	12,490	12,150	11,905	11,410	11,341
JACKSON	174,550	172,800	169,300	168,000	164,400	160,000	157,000	152,900	151,400	146,389
Ashland	19,490	19,220	18,560	18,360	17,985	17,725	17,445	17,320	17,060	16,252
Butte Falls	440	425	420	415	410	410	410	410	405	252
Central Point	11,700	11,255	10,750	10,295	9,620	8,930	8,540	8,195	7,715	7,512
Eagle Point	4,665	4,325	3,850	3,605	3,415	3,325	3,155	3,100	3,075	3,022
Gold Hill	1,225	1,240	1,230	1,240	1,235	1,235	1,225	1,175	1,035	980
Jacksonville	2,190	2,090	2,050	2,025	2,010	2,005	2,010	2,005	1,955	1,896
Medford	59,990	58,895	57,610	57,155	55,090	53,280	51,215	49,900	49,050	47,021
Phoenix	3,970	3,905	3,770	3,730	3,615	3,440	3,230	3,190	3,265	3,239
Rogue River	1,940	1,960	1,955	1,965	1,950	1,830	1,820	1,815	1,765	1,759
Shady Cove	2,345	2,315	2,205	2,135	1,950	1,715	1,555	1,465	1,385	1,351
Talent	5,065	5,050	5,010	4,765	4,530	4,205	4,010	3,830	3,625	3,274
Uninc.	61,530	62,120	61,890	62,310	62,590	61,900	62,385	60,495	61,065	59,831
JEFFERSON	17,650	17,400	17,100	16,900	16,100	15,400	14,900	14,600	14,400	13,676
Culver	835	850	835	795	715	660	640	625	595	570
Madras	5,080	5,005	4,940	4,770	4,675	4,290	4,020	3,820	3,570	3,443
Metolius	715	690	695	640	630	570	505	470	460	450
Uninc.	11,020	10,855	10,630	10,695	10,080	9,880	9,735	9,685	9,775	9,213
JOSEPHINE	73,400	73,000	73,000	72,000	71,100	68,100	66,600	65,400	63,600	62,649
Cave Junction	1,415	1,425	1,435	1,300	1,265	1,225	1,200	1,165	1,150	1,126
Grants Pass	20,935	20,590	20,535	20,255	19,660	18,830	18,435	18,120	17,785	17,503
Uninc.	51,050	50,985	51,030	50,445	50,175	48,045	46,965	46,115	44,665	44,020

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County and City	July 1 Population Estimates									U.S.
	1999	1998	1997	1996	1995	1994	1993	1992	1991	Census Count 4/1/90
KLAMATH	62,300	62,000	61,600	61,600	61,600	60,500	60,300	59,400	59,000	57,702
Bonanza	380	380	375	370	365	355	350	350	340	323
Chiloquin	795	795	775	755	710	700	690	690	685	673
Klamath Falls	19,060	18,940	18,830	18,765	18,680	18,405	18,230	18,085	17,990	17,737
Malin	760	760	755	750	755	740	740	735	725	725
Merrill	850	850	835	835	835	835	835	835	830	837
Uninc.	40,455	40,275	40,030	40,125	40,255	39,465	39,455	38,705	38,430	37,407
LAKE	7,400	7,400	7,400	7,550	7,550	7,400	7,350	7,350	7,200	7,186
Lakeview	2,625	2,640	2,645	2,655	2,645	2,575	2,555	2,580	2,545	2,526
Paisley	365	365	360	345	345	345	345	345	340	350
Uninc.	4,410	4,395	4,395	4,550	4,560	4,480	4,450	4,425	4,315	4,310
LANE	315,700	313,000	308,500	305,800	301,900	300,000	298,000	293,700	290,900	282,912
Coburg	795	790	785	775	770	760	755	750	745	763
Cottage Grove	8,315	8,190	8,005	7,870	7,745	7,655	7,595	7,515	7,475	7,403
Creswell	3,280	3,150	2,875	2,715	2,610	2,560	2,460	2,430	2,385	2,431
Dunes City	1,290	1,265	1,255	1,240	1,220	1,200	1,185	1,180	1,155	1,081
Eugene	136,490	133,460	129,300	126,325	121,905	120,560	119,235	118,430	117,215	112,733
Florence	6,865	6,715	6,570	6,400	6,185	6,005	5,705	5,475	5,380	5,171
Junction City	4,570	4,400	4,285	4,115	4,090	3,845	3,780	3,740	3,700	3,692
Lowell	1,095	1,075	1,010	955	955	840	815	820	785	785
Oakridge	3,365	3,260	3,240	3,200	3,175	3,195	3,165	3,145	3,100	3,063
Springfield	52,945	51,700	50,670	50,140	49,005	47,740	46,715	45,765	45,380	44,664
Veneta	2,935	2,950	2,870	2,845	2,785	2,660	2,605	2,595	2,535	2,519
Westfir	290	280	280	280	280	280	280	285	280	278
Uninc.	93,465	95,765	97,355	98,940	101,175	102,700	103,705	101,570	100,765	98,329
LINCOLN	43,350	43,200	42,500	42,200	41,800	41,000	40,000	39,600	39,300	38,889
Depoe Bay	1,150	1,100	1,060	1,045	1,025	985	940	925	895	870
Lincoln City	6,890	6,855	6,785	6,665	6,570	6,335	6,195	6,090	6,025	5,903
Newport	10,290	10,240	9,960	9,785	9,495	9,075	8,885	8,675	8,540	8,437
Siletz	1,190	1,200	1,180	1,170	1,110	1,085	1,060	1,045	1,025	992
Toledo	3,605	3,590	3,495	3,465	3,400	3,340	3,310	3,245	3,220	3,174
Waldport	1,885	1,845	1,805	1,750	1,705	1,700	1,700	1,655	1,610	1,595
Yachats	695	685	665	655	645	625	600	580	580	533
Uninc.	17,645	17,685	17,550	17,665	17,850	17,855	17,310	17,385	17,405	17,385
LINN	103,000	102,200	100,700	100,000	98,100	96,300	96,100	95,000	93,200	91,227
Albany*	40,010	38,925	37,830	37,095	36,205	35,020	34,350	34,200	33,850	29,540
Brownsville	1,495	1,445	1,430	1,415	1,390	1,385	1,345	1,310	1,285	1,281
Halsey	765	760	750	730	725	700	680	680	670	667
Harrisburg	2,715	2,535	2,310	2,205	2,130	2,030	1,990	1,965	1,945	1,939
Lebanon	12,610	12,480	12,190	11,995	11,780	11,450	11,250	11,110	11,075	10,950
Lyons	1,125	1,060	1,025	1,010	950	950	975	960	955	938
Mill City*	1,650	1,650	1,640	1,640	1,610	1,615	1,600	1,580	1,565	1,555
Millersburg	730	730	735	740	725	730	720	715	715	715
Scio	655	655	685	665	655	650	645	630	625	623
Sodaville	275	280	265	260	245	240	220	210	205	192
Sweet Home	7,970	7,815	7,545	7,450	7,350	7,235	7,090	7,055	6,975	6,850
Tangent	1,060	1,045	960	850	695	665	660	655	650	556
Waterloo	270	240	220	220	220	190	190	190	190	191
Uninc.	36,780	37,470	37,806	38,226	37,774	37,675	38,517	37,784	36,527	35,400

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	1999	1998	1997	1996	1995	1994	1993	1992	1991	4/1/90
MALHEUR	30,700	29,200	28,700	28,700	28,200	28,100	27,500	26,800	26,300	26,038
Adrian	155	145	145	135	130	135	135	135	135	131
Jordan Valley	340	390	390	385	380	375	380	385	370	364
Nyssa	3,065	3,045	3,000	2,970	2,885	2,675	2,655	2,640	2,630	2,629
Ontario	10,910	10,680	10,510	10,290	9,980	9,830	9,680	9,575	9,470	9,394
Vale	1,655	1,505	1,515	1,510	1,495	1,495	1,495	1,500	1,495	1,491
Uninc.	14,575	13,435	13,140	13,410	13,330	13,590	13,155	12,565	12,200	12,029
MARION	275,250	271,900	267,700	262,800	258,000	252,800	247,400	241,500	235,900	228,483
Aumsville	2,965	2,875	2,820	2,585	2,285	1,975	1,840	1,805	1,695	1,650
Aurora	695	695	675	675	650	630	630	620	610	567
Detroit	375	380	380	370	365	360	345	345	340	331
Donald	720	700	630	580	480	425	410	395	380	316
Gates*	540	535	535	530	525	490	500	505	500	499
Gervais	1,535	1,370	1,220	1,080	995	1,000	1,025	1,030	1,015	992
Hubbard	2,255	2,210	2,205	2,185	2,045	2,015	1,965	1,925	1,895	1,881
Idanha*	370	300	300	315	290	290	300	310	285	289
Jefferson	2,380	2,335	2,300	2,145	2,020	1,870	1,835	1,825	1,815	1,805
Keizer****	30,260	29,235	28,340	27,450	26,320	25,275	24,100	23,435	22,790	21,884
Mt. Angel	3,010	3,015	3,020	3,010	3,010	2,990	2,950	2,930	2,840	2,778
St. Paul	350	350	350	355	355	345	345	340	320	322
Salem*	128,595	126,635	124,190	120,835	118,355	116,950	113,325	111,575	110,360	107,793
Scotts Mills	315	315	315	310	310	310	300	300	295	283
Silverton	6,745	6,740	6,675	6,565	6,405	6,170	6,080	6,050	5,725	5,635
Stayton	6,710	6,655	6,290	6,035	5,905	5,630	5,490	5,350	5,160	5,011
Sublimity	2,490	2,400	2,145	1,985	1,915	1,800	1,715	1,695	1,610	1,491
Turner	1,345	1,330	1,330	1,330	1,320	1,320	1,315	1,300	1,290	1,281
Woodburn	16,850	16,585	16,150	15,780	15,475	15,235	14,375	14,250	13,700	13,404
Uninc.	82,775	82,865	82,914	83,264	83,111	81,585	82,073	78,736	76,218	72,919
MORROW	9,550	9,400	9,050	9,000	8,700	8,600	8,450	8,100	7,800	7,625
Boardman	3,070	2,795	2,685	2,580	2,550	2,145	2,000	1,760	1,560	1,387
Heppler	1,525	1,500	1,465	1,480	1,480	1,465	1,440	1,420	1,410	1,412
Ione	335	275	250	250	265	250	245	245	255	255
Irrigon	1,540	1,330	1,245	1,090	1,080	890	875	830	820	737
Lexington	335	305	295	295	290	285	285	285	285	286
Uninc.	2,745	3,195	3,110	3,305	3,035	3,565	3,605	3,560	3,470	3,548
MULTNOMAH	646,850	641,900	639,000	636,000	626,500	620,000	615,000	605,000	600,000	583,887
Fairview	6,270	5,910	5,200	4,670	4,245	3,740	3,735	2,975	2,590	2,391
Gresham	85,435	83,595	81,865	79,350	77,240	74,625	73,185	72,210	71,225	68,249
Maywood Park	780	790	795	795	790	780	780	780	780	781
Portland*	512,395	509,610	508,500	503,000	497,600	495,090	471,325	459,300	454,150	438,802
Troutdale	14,175	14,040	13,880	12,750	11,450	10,495	9,410	8,790	8,195	7,852
Wood Village	2,930	3,030	3,000	2,995	2,965	2,950	2,920	2,920	2,930	2,814
Uninc.	24,540	24,575	25,425	32,097	31,860	31,975	53,300	57,685	59,775	62,649
POLK	60,100	59,500	57,400	56,300	55,400	54,400	53,600	53,000	52,000	49,541
Dallas	12,870	12,530	12,020	11,360	10,850	10,545	10,045	9,730	9,560	9,422
Falls City	1,025	1,020	955	935	890	830	830	820	820	818
Independence	6,195	5,815	5,405	4,985	4,875	4,620	4,620	4,510	4,410	4,425
Monmouth	8,310	7,980	7,590	7,385	7,225	6,995	6,830	6,635	6,520	6,288
Uninc.	14,960	15,820	15,637	16,344	16,714	16,830	17,046	17,376	17,036	15,231

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	1999	1998	1997	1996	1995	1994	1993	1992	1991	4/1/90
SHERMAN	1,900	1,900	1,900	1,900	1,900	1,900	1,850	1,800	1,850	1,918
Grass Valley	185	185	185	180	170	165	165	160	160	160
Moro	340	340	295	295	290	295	290	285	285	292
Rufus	310	310	290	290	295	290	290	295	300	295
Wasco	415	420	385	390	385	385	375	375	375	374
Uninc.	650	645	745	745	760	765	730	685	730	797
TILLAMOOK	24,100	24,000	23,800	23,800	23,300	22,900	22,900	22,500	22,000	21,570
Bay City	1,170	1,155	1,145	1,130	1,100	1,075	1,055	1,030	1,020	1,027
Garibaldi	990	970	980	960	950	935	930	915	905	886
Manzanita	800	795	785	755	715	690	650	590	575	513
Nehalem	230	230	235	235	235	230	235	235	235	232
Rockaway Beach	1,260	1,235	1,205	1,195	1,160	1,140	1,105	1,085	1,055	970
Tillamook	4,270	4,310	4,340	4,275	4,245	4,190	4,190	4,145	4,130	4,006
Wheeler	380	385	390	375	360	355	340	335	340	335
Uninc.	15,000	14,920	14,720	14,875	14,535	14,285	14,395	14,165	13,740	13,601
UMATILLA	68,000	67,100	65,500	65,500	65,200	64,000	63,000	61,100	60,100	59,249
Adams	275	275	265	260	260	250	240	235	235	223
Athena	1,280	1,200	1,120	1,105	1,080	1,050	1,025	1,015	1,005	997
Echo	675	640	605	590	585	560	550	525	520	500
Helix	190	190	190	185	170	160	160	160	160	150
Hermiston	12,165	11,960	11,340	11,050	10,605	10,330	10,215	10,145	10,130	10,047
Milton-Freewater	6,720	6,500	6,200	6,055	5,985	5,865	5,765	5,630	5,580	5,533
Pendleton	17,175	16,915	16,180	15,900	15,930	15,715	15,520	15,395	15,440	15,142
Pilot Rock	1,675	1,640	1,585	1,570	1,560	1,540	1,510	1,500	1,500	1,478
Stanfield	1,875	1,820	1,770	1,755	1,700	1,640	1,605	1,590	1,580	1,568
Ukiah	245	245	240	240	245	245	250	250	250	250
Umatilla	3,625	3,515	3,375	3,310	3,250	3,180	3,125	3,095	3,080	3,046
Weston	690	690	680	680	655	640	625	625	625	606
Uninc.	21,410	21,510	21,950	22,800	23,175	22,825	22,410	20,935	19,995	19,709
UNION	24,500	24,400	24,500	24,500	24,400	24,500	24,300	24,000	24,000	23,598
Cove	675	625	610	600	585	570	555	545	525	507
Elgin	1,785	1,770	1,745	1,715	1,680	1,655	1,635	1,600	1,600	1,586
Imbler	330	325	310	310	310	310	305	300	300	299
Island City	940	920	895	865	830	825	815	770	750	696
La Grande	12,885	12,795	12,700	12,415	12,370	12,195	12,050	11,890	11,840	11,766
North Powder	560	560	565	555	530	515	480	460	460	448
Summerville	150	150	150	150	150	150	145	145	145	142
Union	2,025	1,990	1,980	1,955	1,920	1,915	1,895	1,880	1,870	1,847
Uninc.	5,150	5,265	5,545	5,935	6,025	6,365	6,420	6,410	6,510	6,307
WALLOWA	7,200	7,200	7,300	7,250	7,250	7,200	7,200	7,150	7,000	6,911
Enterprise	2,050	2,050	2,035	2,020	2,010	1,990	1,965	1,940	1,920	1,905
Joseph	1,270	1,260	1,270	1,255	1,190	1,165	1,130	1,095	1,085	1,073
Lostine	230	230	235	235	230	230	230	225	230	231
Wallowa	830	745	755	755	755	755	760	760	760	748
Uninc.	2,820	2,915	3,005	2,985	3,065	3,060	3,115	3,130	3,005	2,954

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County and City	July 1 Population Estimates									U.S. Census Count 4/1/90
	1999	1998	1997	1996	1995	1994	1993	1992	1991	
WASCO	22,650	22,600	22,600	22,500	22,600	22,500	22,500	22,600	22,000	21,683
Antelope	65	65	65	65	65	55	45	40	35	34
Dufur	625	620	620	605	600	580	565	550	535	527
Maupin	490	490	490	495	490	485	475	470	460	456
Mosier	360	335	305	290	290	275	250	250	255	244
Shaniko	30	30	30	30	30	30	25	25	25	26
The Dalles	11,880	11,765	11,600	11,460	11,355	11,325	11,325	11,330	11,090	11,021
Uninc.	9,200	9,295	9,490	9,555	9,770	9,750	9,815	9,935	9,600	9,375
WASHINGTON	404,750	397,600	385,000	376,500	370,000	359,500	351,000	340,000	328,500	311,554
Banks	1,310	845	625	570	575	570	570	570	565	563
Beaverton	68,010	68,050	66,225	63,145	61,720	61,085	60,000	58,785	57,290	53,307
Cornelius	8,490	8,170	7,845	7,475	7,220	6,750	6,550	6,425	6,345	6,148
Durham	1,535	1,555	1,565	1,575	1,510	1,270	800	800	770	748
Forest Grove	16,275	16,170	15,965	15,370	14,755	14,295	14,175	14,010	13,830	13,559
Gaston	605	615	620	620	625	610	605	605	575	563
Hillsboro	69,670	65,110	58,365	52,105	46,160	44,045	42,280	40,425	39,575	37,598
King City	2,095	2,125	2,140	2,155	2,170	2,155	2,085	2,065	2,060	2,060
North Plains	1,755	1,760	1,655	1,470	1,245	1,160	1,080	1,025	1,020	972
Sherwood	9,855	9,600	8,625	6,600	5,320	4,615	4,040	3,635	3,305	3,093
Tigard	37,670	37,200	36,680	35,925	35,000	33,730	32,145	31,350	30,910	29,435
Tualatin*	21,345	21,405	20,405	20,040	18,750	17,450	16,805	16,300	15,875	14,664
Uninc.	167,095	166,001	165,271	170,431	175,921	172,651	170,656	164,641	156,791	149,010
WHEELER	1,600	1,600	1,600	1,600	1,550	1,550	1,500	1,500	1,450	1,396
Fossil	545	530	500	515	485	470	465	465	455	399
Mitchell	200	200	185	180	175	165	165	165	165	163
Spray	165	165	160	160	165	155	155	155	155	149
Uninc.	690	705	755	745	725	760	715	715	675	685
YAMHILL	83,100	81,900	79,200	77,500	74,600	72,800	70,900	69,200	67,900	65,551
Amity	1,325	1,315	1,195	1,195	1,190	1,195	1,170	1,170	1,170	1,175
Carlton	1,555	1,525	1,500	1,470	1,400	1,345	1,340	1,320	1,300	1,289
Dayton	1,930	1,920	1,850	1,745	1,705	1,675	1,605	1,550	1,530	1,526
Dundee	2,880	2,735	2,620	2,500	2,300	2,135	1,890	1,760	1,700	1,663
Lafayette	2,240	2,140	1,945	1,795	1,445	1,370	1,325	1,305	1,295	1,292
McMinnville	24,420	24,265	23,485	22,880	22,140	20,995	20,070	19,175	18,615	17,894
Newberg	17,650	17,355	16,765	16,160	15,285	14,700	14,065	13,735	13,495	13,086
Sheridan	5,260	5,330	4,930	4,800	4,615	4,615	4,615	4,485	4,335	3,979
Willamina*	1,880	1,810	1,790	1,790	1,775	1,755	1,750	1,750	1,750	1,748
Yamhill	980	975	970	960	940	905	885	875	870	867
Uninc.	23,560	23,090	22,708	22,761	22,361	22,665	22,739	22,629	22,394	21,586

* Indicates city has population in more than one county

** Hammond merged with Warrenton in December, 1991

*** Eastside consolidated with Coos Bay in December, 1983

**** Keizer became an incorporated city in 1983

Table 4. Rank of Incorporated Cities by July 1, 1999 Population Size

Portland	512,395	Prineville	7,255	Lafayette	2,240	Cascade Locks	1,085	Paisley	365
Eugene	136,490	Sutherlin	6,930	Estacada	2,200	Tangent	1,060	Mosier	360
Salem	128,595	Lincoln City	6,890	Gold Beach	2,200	Port Orford	1,040	St. Paul	350
Gresham	85,435	Florence	6,865	Jacksonville	2,190	Falls City	1,025	Halfway	345
Hillsboro	69,670	Silverton	6,745	King City	2,095	Garibaldi	990	Jordan Valley	340
Beaverton	68,010	Milton-Freewater	6,720	Enterprise	2,050	Yamhill	980	Moro	340
Medford	59,990	Stayton	6,710	Union	2,025	Island City	940	Ione	335
Springfield	52,945	Fairview	6,270	John Day	2,010	Oakland	875	Lexington	335
Corvallis	50,880	Independence	6,195	Rogue River	1,940	Merrill	850	Imbler	330
Bend	50,650	Seaside	6,130	Dayton	1,930	Sisters	840	Scotts Mills	315
Albany	40,010	Molalla	5,670	Waldport	1,885	Condon	835	Rivergrove	310
Tigard	37,670	Brookings	5,620	Willamina	1,880	Culver	835	Rufus	310
Lake Oswego	34,110	Sandy	5,300	Stanfield	1,875	Wallowa	830	Westfir	290
Keizer	30,260	Sheridan	5,260	Clatskanie	1,870	Manzanita	800	Adams	275
McMinnville	24,420	Hood River	5,135	Rainier	1,810	Chiloquin	795	Sodaville	275
Oregon City	23,405	Madras	5,080	Elgin	1,785	Coburg	795	Waterloo	270
West Linn	22,835	Talent	5,065	North Plains	1,755	Maywood Park	780	Ukiah	245
Tualatin	21,345	Scappoose	4,970	Lakeside	1,680	Glendale	770	Long Creek	235
Grants Pass	20,935	Reedsport	4,855	Pilot Rock	1,675	Halsey	765	Lostine	230
Roseburg	20,490	Eagle Point	4,665	Columbia City	1,665	Malin	760	Nehalem	230
Milwaukie	20,075	Winston	4,655	Vale	1,655	Millersburg	730	Seneca	215
Ashland	19,490	Junction City	4,570	Mill City	1,650	Canyon City	725	Mitchell	200
Klamath Falls	19,060	Coquille	4,300	Carlton	1,555	Donald	720	Helix	190
Newberg	17,650	Tillamook	4,270	Irrigon	1,540	Powers	720	Dayville	185
Pendleton	17,175	Warrenton	4,205	Durham	1,535	Metolius	715	Grass Valley	185
Woodburn	16,850	Phoenix	3,970	Gervais	1,535	Aurora	695	Elkton	180
Forest Grove	16,275	Happy Valley	3,965	Hines	1,535	Yachats	695	Richland	175
Coos Bay	15,630	Philomath	3,890	Heppner	1,525	Weston	690	Sumpter	175
Troutdale	14,175	Myrtle Creek	3,670	Brownsville	1,495	Cove	675	Spray	165
Wilsonville	12,985	Umatilla	3,625	Cannon Beach	1,425	Echo	675	Monument	160
La Grande	12,885	Toledo	3,605	Cave Junction	1,415	Mt. Vernon	670	Adrian	155
Dallas	12,870	Oakridge	3,365	Canyonville	1,350	Scio	655	Unity	155
Redmond	12,810	Creswell	3,280	Turner	1,345	Dufur	625	Summerville	150
Lebanon	12,610	Boardman	3,070	Amity	1,325	Johnson City	615	Barlow	125
Canby	12,595	Nyssa	3,065	Banks	1,310	Gaston	605	Antelope	65
Hermiston	12,165	Mt. Angel	3,010	Dunes City	1,290	Huntington	575	Prescott	60
The Dalles	11,880	Aumsville	2,965	Athena	1,280	Adair Village	570	Shaniko	30
Central Point	11,700	Burns	2,945	Joseph	1,270	North Powder	560	Granite	25
Gladstone	11,695	Veneta	2,935	Rockaway Beach	1,260	Monroe	550	Lonerock	25
Ontario	10,910	Wood Village	2,930	Gearhart	1,245	Fossil	545	Greenhorn	3
Newport	10,290	Dundee	2,880	Gold Hill	1,225	Gates	540		
Baker City	10,155	Bandon	2,875	Riddle	1,220	Arlington	535		
North Bend	9,995	Harrisburg	2,715	Prairie City	1,205	Maupin	490		
Astoria	9,990	Myrtle Point	2,695	Siletz	1,190	Haines	480		
Sherwood	9,855	Lakeview	2,625	Bay City	1,170	Butte Falls	440		
St. Helens	9,300	Sublimity	2,490	Drain	1,155	Wasco	415		
Cornelius	8,490	Vernonia	2,420	Depoe Bay	1,150	Bonanza	380		
Cottage Grove	8,315	Jefferson	2,380	Lyons	1,125	Wheeler	380		
Monmouth	8,310	Shady Cove	2,345	Lowell	1,095	Detroit	375		
Sweet Home	7,970	Hubbard	2,255	Yoncalla	1,090	Idanha	370		

Table 5. Alphabetical Listing of Incorporated Cities with Population for July 1, 1999

	Certified Population Estimate July 1, 1999	U.S. Census Count April 1, 1990	Population Change 1990-1999	Percentage Change 1990-1999		Certified Population Estimate July 1, 1999	U.S. Census Count April 1, 1990	Population Change 1990-1999	Percentage Change 1990-1999
Adair Village	570	554	16	2.9	Elkton	180	172	8	4.7
Adams	275	223	52	23.3	Enterprise	2,050	1,905	145	7.6
Adrian	155	131	24	18.3	Estacada	2,200	2,016	184	9.1
Albany	40,010	29,540	10,470	35.4	Eugene	136,490	112,733	23,757	21.1
Amity	1,325	1,175	150	12.8	Fairview	6,270	2,391	3,879	162.2
Antelope	65	34	31	91.2	Falls City	1,025	818	207	25.3
Arlington	535	425	110	25.9	Florence	6,865	5,171	1,694	32.8
Ashland	19,490	16,252	3,238	19.9	Forest Grove	16,275	13,559	2,716	20.0
Astoria	9,990	10,069	-79	-0.8	Fossil	545	399	146	36.6
Athens	1,280	997	283	28.4	Garibaldi	990	886	104	11.7
Aumsville	2,965	1,650	1,315	79.7	Gaston	605	563	42	7.5
Aurora	695	567	128	22.6	Gates	540	499	41	8.2
Baker City	10,155	9,140	1,015	11.1	Gearhart	1,245	1,027	218	21.2
Bandon	2,875	2,224	651	29.3	Gervais	1,535	992	543	54.7
Banks	1,310	563	747	132.7	Gladstone	11,695	10,152	1,543	15.2
Barlow	125	118	7	5.9	Glendale	770	707	63	8.9
Bay City	1,170	1,027	143	13.9	Gold Beach	2,200	1,546	654	42.3
Beaverton	68,010	53,307	14,703	27.6	Gold Hill	1,225	980	245	25.0
Bend	50,650	20,447	30,203	147.7	Granite	25	8	17	212.5
Boardman	3,070	1,387	1,683	121.3	Grants Pass	20,935	17,503	3,432	19.6
Bonanza	380	323	57	17.6	Grass Valley	185	160	25	15.6
Brookings	5,620	4,400	1,220	27.7	Greenhorn	3	N/A	N/A	N/A
Brownsville	1,495	1,281	214	16.7	Gresham	85,435	68,249	17,186	25.2
Burns	2,945	2,913	32	1.1	Haines	480	405	75	18.5
Butte Falls	440	252	188	74.6	Halfway	345	311	34	10.9
Canby	12,595	8,990	3,605	40.1	Halsey	765	667	98	14.7
Cannon Beach	1,425	1,221	204	16.7	Happy Valley	3,965	1,519	2,446	161.0
Canyon City	725	648	77	11.9	Harrisburg	2,715	1,939	776	40.0
Canyonville	1,350	1,219	131	10.7	Helix	190	150	40	26.7
Carlton	1,555	1,289	266	20.6	Heppner	1,525	1,412	113	8.0
Cascade Locks	1,085	930	155	16.7	Hermiston	12,165	10,047	2,118	21.1
Cave Junction	1,415	1,126	289	25.7	Hillsboro	69,670	37,598	32,072	85.3
Central Point	11,700	7,512	4,188	55.8	Hines	1,535	1,452	83	5.7
Chiloquin	795	673	122	18.1	Hood River	5,135	4,632	503	10.9
Clatskanie	1,870	1,629	241	14.8	Hubbard	2,255	1,881	374	19.9
Coburg	795	763	32	4.2	Huntington	575	522	53	10.2
Columbia City	1,665	1,003	662	66.0	Idanha	370	289	81	28.0
Condon	835	635	200	31.5	Imbler	330	299	31	10.4
Coos Bay	15,630	15,076	554	3.7	Independence	6,195	4,425	1,770	40.0
Coquille	4,300	4,121	179	4.3	Ione	335	255	80	31.4
Cornelius	8,490	6,148	2,342	38.1	Irrigon	1,540	737	803	109.0
Corvallis	50,880	44,757	6,123	13.7	Island City	940	696	244	35.1
Cottage Grove	8,315	7,403	912	12.3	Jacksonville	2,190	1,896	294	15.5
Cove	675	507	168	33.1	Jefferson	2,380	1,805	575	31.9
Creswell	3,280	2,431	849	34.9	John Day	2,010	1,857	153	8.2
Culver	835	570	265	46.5	Johnson City	615	586	29	4.9
Dallas	12,870	9,422	3,448	36.6	Jordan Valley	340	364	-24	-6.6
Dayton	1,930	1,526	404	26.5	Joseph	1,270	1,073	197	18.4
Dayville	185	144	41	28.5	Junction City	4,570	3,692	878	23.8
Depoe Bay	1,150	870	280	32.2	Keizer	30,260	21,884	8,376	38.3
Detroit	375	331	44	13.3	King City	2,095	2,060	35	1.7
Donald	720	316	404	127.8	Klamath Falls	19,060	17,737	1,323	7.5
Drain	1,155	1,086	69	6.4	La Grande	12,885	11,766	1,119	9.5
Dufur	625	527	98	18.6	Lafayette	2,240	1,292	948	73.4
Dundee	2,880	1,663	1,217	73.2	Lake Oswego	34,110	30,576	3,534	11.6
Dunes City	1,290	1,081	209	19.3	Lakeside	1,680	1,437	243	16.9
Durham	1,535	748	787	105.2	Lakeview	2,625	2,526	99	3.9
Eagle Point	4,665	3,022	1,643	54.4	Lebanon	12,610	10,950	1,660	15.2
Echo	675	500	175	35.0	Lexington	335	286	49	17.1
Elgin	1,785	1,586	199	12.5	Lincoln City	6,890	5,903	987	16.7

Table 5. Alphabetical Listing of Incorporated Cities with Population for July 1, 1999 (continued)

	Certified Population Estimate July 1, 1999	U.S. Census Count April 1, 1990	Population Change 1990-1999	Percentage Change 1990-1999		Certified Population Estimate July 1, 1999	U.S. Census Count April 1, 1990	Population Change 1990-1999	Percentage Change 1990-1999
Lonerock	25	11	14	127.3	Rufus	310	295	15	5.1
Long Creek	235	249	-14	-5.6	Salem	128,595	107,793	20,802	19.3
Lostine	230	231	-1	-0.4	Sandy	5,300	4,154	1,146	27.6
Lowell	1,095	785	310	39.5	Scappoose	4,970	3,529	1,441	40.8
Lyons	1,125	938	187	19.9	Scio	655	623	32	5.1
Madras	5,080	3,443	1,637	47.5	Scotts Mills	315	283	32	11.3
Malin	760	725	35	4.8	Seaside	6,130	5,359	771	14.4
Manzanita	800	513	287	55.9	Seneca	215	191	24	12.6
Maupin	490	456	34	7.5	Shady Cove	2,345	1,351	994	73.6
Maywood Park	780	781	-1	-0.1	Shaniko	30	26	4	15.4
McMinnville	24,420	17,894	6,526	36.5	Sheridan	5,260	3,979	1,281	32.2
Medford	59,990	47,021	12,969	27.6	Sherwood	9,855	3,093	6,762	218.6
Merrill	850	837	13	1.6	Siletz	1,190	992	198	20.0
Metolius	715	450	265	58.9	Silverton	6,745	5,635	1,110	19.7
Mill City	1,650	1,555	95	6.1	Sisters	840	708	132	18.6
Millersburg	730	715	15	2.1	Sodaville	275	192	83	43.2
Milton-Freewater	6,720	5,533	1,187	21.5	Spray	165	149	16	10.7
Milwaukie	20,075	18,670	1,405	7.5	Springfield	52,945	44,664	8,281	18.5
Mitchell	200	163	37	22.7	St. Helens	9,300	7,535	1,765	23.4
Molalla	5,670	3,637	2,033	55.9	St. Paul	350	322	28	8.7
Monmouth	8,310	6,288	2,022	32.2	Stanfield	1,875	1,568	307	19.6
Monroe	550	448	102	22.8	Stayton	6,710	5,011	1,699	33.9
Monument	160	162	-2	-1.2	Sublimity	2,490	1,491	999	67.0
Moro	340	292	48	16.4	Summerville	150	142	8	5.6
Mosier	360	244	116	47.5	Sumpter	175	119	56	47.1
Mt. Angel	3,010	2,778	232	8.4	Sutherlin	6,930	5,020	1,910	38.0
Mt. Vernon	670	549	121	22.0	Sweet Home	7,970	6,850	1,120	16.4
Myrtle Creek	3,670	3,063	607	19.8	Talent	5,065	3,274	1,791	54.7
Myrtle Point	2,695	2,712	-17	-0.6	Tangent	1,060	556	504	90.6
Nehalem	230	232	-2	-0.9	The Dalles	11,880	11,021	859	7.8
Newberg	17,650	13,086	4,564	34.9	Tigard	37,670	29,435	8,235	28.0
Newport	10,290	8,437	1,853	22.0	Tillamook	4,270	4,006	264	6.6
North Bend	9,995	9,614	381	4.0	Toledo	3,605	3,174	431	13.6
North Plains	1,755	972	783	80.6	Troutdale	14,175	7,852	6,323	80.5
North Powder	560	448	112	25.0	Tualatin	21,345	14,664	6,681	45.6
Nyssa	3,065	2,629	436	16.6	Turner	1,345	1,281	64	5.0
Oakland	875	844	31	3.7	Ukiah	245	250	-5	-2.0
Oakridge	3,365	3,063	302	9.9	Umatilla	3,625	3,046	579	19.0
Ontario	10,910	9,394	1,516	16.1	Union	2,025	1,847	178	9.6
Oregon City	23,405	14,698	8,707	59.2	Unity	155	87	68	78.2
Paisley	365	350	15	4.3	Vale	1,655	1,491	164	11.0
Pendleton	17,175	15,142	2,033	13.4	Veneta	2,935	2,519	416	16.5
Philomath	3,890	2,983	907	30.4	Vernonia	2,420	1,808	612	33.8
Phoenix	3,970	3,239	731	22.6	Waldport	1,885	1,595	290	18.2
Pilot Rock	1,675	1,478	197	13.3	Wallowa	830	748	82	11.0
Port Orford	1,040	1,025	15	1.5	Warrenton	4,205	2,681	1,524	56.8
Portland	512,395	438,802	73,593	16.8	Wasco	415	374	41	11.0
Powers	720	682	38	5.6	Waterloo	270	191	79	41.4
Prairie City	1,205	1,117	88	7.9	West Linn	22,835	16,389	6,446	39.3
Prescott	60	63	-3	-4.8	Westfir	290	278	12	4.3
Prineville	7,255	5,355	1,900	35.5	Weston	690	606	84	13.9
Rainier	1,810	1,674	136	8.1	Wheeler	380	335	45	13.4
Redmond	12,810	7,165	5,645	78.8	Willamina	1,880	1,748	132	7.6
Reedsport	4,855	4,796	59	1.2	Wilsonville	12,985	7,106	5,879	82.7
Richland	175	161	14	8.7	Winston	4,655	3,773	882	23.4
Riddle	1,220	1,143	77	6.7	Wood Village	2,930	2,814	116	4.1
Rivergrove	310	294	16	5.4	Woodburn	16,850	13,404	3,446	25.7
Rockaway Beach	1,260	970	290	29.9	Yachats	695	533	162	30.4
Rogue River	1,940	1,759	181	10.3	Yamhill	980	867	113	13.0
Roseburg	20,490	17,069	3,421	20.0	Yoncalla	1,090	919	171	18.6

Table 6. Population Information on Incorporated Cities Located in More than One County

County and City	July 1 Population Estimates									U.S. Census Count April 1, 1990
	1999	1998	1997	1996	1995	1994	1993	1992	1991	
Albany	40,010	38,925	37,830	37,095	36,205	35,020	34,350	34,200	33,850	29,540
in Benton	4,980	4,740	4,540	4,350	4,200	4,075	3,975	3,890	3,875	15
in Linn	35,030	34,185	33,290	32,745	32,005	30,945	30,375	30,310	29,975	29,525
Gates	540	535	535	530	525	490	500	505	500	499
in Linn	45	45	45	44	44	40	41	41	41	41
in Marion	495	490	490	486	481	450	459	464	459	458
Idanha	370	300	300	315	290	290	300	310	285	289
in Linn	135	115	114	115	112	110	112	115	112	112
in Marion	235	185	186	200	178	180	188	195	173	177
Lake Oswego	34,110	34,280	34,065	34,005	33,145	32,940	32,555	31,885	31,545	30,576
in Clackamas	31,790	31,959	31,744	31,689	30,829	30,634	30,254	29,589	29,254	28,317
in Multnomah	2,315	2,315	2,315	2,310	2,310	2,300	2,295	2,290	2,285	2,253
in Washington	5	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6
Mill City	1,650	1,650	1,640	1,640	1,610	1,615	1,600	1,580	1,565	1,555
in Linn	1,340	1,340	1,330	1,330	1,300	1,305	1,290	1,270	1,255	1,247
in Marion	310	310	310	310	310	310	310	310	310	308
Portland	512,395	509,610	508,500	503,000	497,600	495,090	471,325	459,300	454,150	438,802
in Clackamas	720	715	715	712	710	710	710	710	710	707
in Multnomah	510,405	507,645	506,520	501,033	495,640	493,135	469,375	457,350	452,220	436,898
in Washington	1,270	1,250	1,265	1,255	1,250	1,245	1,240	1,240	1,220	1,197
Rivergrove	310	300	300	300	300	300	300	295	295	294
in Clackamas	280	272	272	272	272	272	272	267	267	267
in Washington	30	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	28	27
Salem	128,595	126,635	124,190	120,835	118,355	116,950	113,325	111,575	110,360	107,793
in Marion	112,435	110,860	108,955	106,100	104,065	102,925	99,650	98,200	97,260	94,990
in Polk	16,160	15,775	15,235	14,735	14,290	14,025	13,675	13,375	13,100	12,803
Tualatin	21,345	21,405	20,405	20,040	18,750	17,450	16,805	16,300	15,875	14,664
in Clackamas	2,280	2,305	2,300	2,285	2,270	2,180	2,080	1,925	1,680	1,406
in Washington	19,065	19,100	18,105	17,755	16,480	15,270	14,725	14,375	14,195	13,258
Willamina	1,880	1,810	1,790	1,790	1,775	1,755	1,750	1,750	1,750	1,748
in Polk	580	560	558	556	556	555	554	554	554	554
in Yamhill	1,300	1,250	1,232	1,234	1,219	1,200	1,196	1,196	1,196	1,194
Wilsonville	12,985	12,290	10,940	10,600	9,765	9,680	9,580	9,255	8,755	7,106
in Clackamas	12,970	12,275	10,925	10,585	9,750	9,665	9,565	9,240	8,740	7,096
in Washington	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	10

Table 7. Population Added to Incorporated Cities Due to Annexations: April 1, 1990 to July 1, 1999

Adair Village	3	Detroit	0	Ione	0	Nehalem	0	Springfield	448
Adams	0	Donald	0	Irrigon	3	Newberg	79	Stanfield	0
Adrian	0	Drain	15	Island City	36	Newport	72	Stayton	21
Albany	3,897	Dufur	0	Jacksonville	0	North Bend	0	Sublimity	0
Amity	0	Dundee	0	Jefferson	0	North Plains	0	Summerville	0
Antelope	0	Dunes City	0	John Day	0	North Powder	0	Sumpter	0
Arlington	0	Durham	0	Johnson City	0	Nyssa	235	Sutherlin	38
Ashland	2	Eagle Point	1	Jordan Valley	0	Oakland	0	Sweet Home	0
Astoria	5	Echo	0	Joseph	14	Oakridge	19	Talent	16
Athena	0	Elgin	0	Junction City	7	Ontario	33	Tangent	0
Aumsville	1	Elkton	0	Keizer	0	Oregon City	278	The Dalles	81
Aurora	47	Enterprise	0	King City	0	Paisley	0	Tigard	157
Baker	2	Estacada	3	Klamath Falls	149	Pendleton	0	Tillamook	14
Bandon	115	Eugene	302	La Grande	89	Philomath	330	Toledo	23
Banks	0	Fairview	378	Lafayette	0	Phoenix	50	Troutdale	2
Barlow	0	Falls City	0	Lake Oswego	175	Pilot Rock	17	Tualatin	99
Bay City	0	Florence	89	Lakeside	0	Port Orford	0	Tuner	2
Beaverton	2,412	Forest Grove	45	Lakeview	0	Portland	47,227	Ukiah	0
Bend	17,040	Fossil	0	Lebanon	93	Powers	0	Umatilla	37
Boardman	6	Garibaldi	4	Lexington	0	Prairie City	0	Union	0
Bonanza	0	Gaston	8	Lincoln City	0	Prescott	0	Unity	0
Brookings	3	Gates	0	Lonerock	0	Prineville	54	Vale	1
Brownsville	0	Gearhart	111	Long Creek	0	Rainier	10	Veneta	0
Burns	0	Gervais	0	Lostine	0	Redmond	209	Vernonia	0
Butte Falls	0	Gladstone	18	Lowell	0	Reedsport	0	Waldport	4
Canby	41	Glendale	0	Lyons	3	Richland	2	Wallowa	0
Cannon Beach	1	Gold Beach	437	Madras	0	Riddle	4	Warrenton	0
Canyon City	1	Gold Hill	0	Malin	0	Rivergrove	0	Wasco	0
Canyonville	2	Granite	0	Manzanita	45	Rockaway Beach	0	Waterloo	0
Carlton	0	Grants Pass	88	Maupin	0	Rogue River	2	West Linn	41
Cascade Locks	0	Grass Valley	0	Maywood Park	0	Roseburg	1,363	Westfir	0
Cave Junction	16	Greenhorn	0	McMinnville	7	Rufus	0	Weston	0
Central Point	40	Gresham	2	Medford	748	St. Helens	70	Wheeler	0
Chiloquin	0	Haines	0	Merrill	0	St. Paul	0	Willamina	1
Clatskanie	1	Halfway	6	Metolius	6	Salem	347	Wilsonville	375
Coburg	0	Halsey	0	Mill City	0	Sandy	37	Winston	70
Columbia City	34	Hammond	0	Millersburg	0	Scappoose	49	Wood Village	3
Condon	0	Happy Valley	8	Milton-Freewater	5	Scio	13	Woodburn	21
Coos Bay	0	Harrisburg	6	Milwaukie	27	Scotts Mills	0	Yachats	0
Coquille	11	Helix	0	Mitchell	0	Seaside	132	Yamhill	0
Cornelius	6	Heppner	0	Molalla	8	Seneca	0	Yoncalla	2
Corvallis	15	Hermiston	171	Monmouth	11	Shady Cove	0		
Cottage Grove	17	Hillsboro	610	Monroe	0	Shaniko	0		
Cove	0	Hines	0	Monument	0	Sheridan	0		
Creswell	63	Hood River	5	Moro	0	Sherwood	39		
Culver	0	Hubbard	0	Mosier	0	Siletz	0		
Dallas	38	Huntington	0	Mt. Angel	0	Silverton	51		
Dayton	0	Idanha	0	Mt. Vernon	0	Sisters	0		
Dayville	0	Imbler	0	Myrtle Creek	19	Sodaville	0		
Depoe Bay	0	Independence	4	Myrtle Point	2	Spray	0		

Table 8. Population Estimates of Oregon by Area Type and Specific Metropolitan Areas, 1990-1999

	State	Incorporated	Unincorporated	Metropolitan	Nonmetropolitan
April 1, 1990	2,842,321	1,761,996	1,080,325	1,984,724	857,597
July 1, 1991	2,930,000	1,827,098	1,102,902	2,052,200	877,800
July 1, 1992	2,979,000	1,855,813	1,123,187	2,088,600	890,400
July 1, 1993	3,038,000	1,897,483	1,140,517	2,133,700	904,300
July 1, 1994	3,082,000	1,958,298	1,123,702	2,164,400	917,600
July 1, 1995	3,132,000	2,002,883	1,129,117	2,199,100	932,900
July 1, 1996	3,181,000	2,059,823	1,121,177	2,236,200	944,800
July 1, 1997	3,217,000	2,113,398	1,103,602	2,265,300	951,700
July 1, 1998	3,267,550	2,162,728	1,104,822	2,304,500	963,050
July 1, 1999	3,300,800	2,213,693	1,087,107	2,329,800	971,000

Specific Metropolitan Areas

	Portland- Vancouver*	Eugene- Springfield	Medford	Salem
April 1, 1990	1,515,452	282,912	146,389	278,024
July 1, 1991	1,573,200	290,900	151,400	287,900
July 1, 1992	1,605,000	293,700	152,900	294,500
July 1, 1993	1,647,200	298,000	157,000	301,000
July 1, 1994	1,678,000	300,000	160,000	307,200
July 1, 1995	1,710,400	301,900	164,400	313,400
July 1, 1996	1,746,800	305,800	168,000	319,100
July 1, 1997	1,779,200	308,500	169,300	325,100
July 1, 1998	1,815,300	313,000	172,800	331,400
July 1, 1999	1,841,200	315,700	174,550	335,350

* based on 1993 definition

Portland-Vancouver PMSA consists of Clackamas, Columbia, Multnomah, Washington, Yamhill and Clark Counties

Eugene-Springfield MSA consists of Lane County

Medford MSA consists of Jackson County

Salem PMSA consists of Marion and Polk Counties

Table 9. Population by Age and Sex for Oregon and Its Counties: July 1, 1999

	Total Population																			
	0-4	5-9	10-14	15-17	18-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55-59	60-64	65-69	70-74	75-79	80-84	85+	All Ages
OREGON	219,527	226,789	235,796	147,686	95,321	209,296	206,740	222,194	259,743	276,330	259,973	211,826	160,646	128,037	115,151	110,524	96,205	64,941	54,075	3,300,800
Baker	869	1,196	1,277	753	364	658	805	953	1,162	1,124	1,313	1,277	1,077	832	687	759	671	498	425	16,700
Benton	4,095	4,671	4,852	3,070	4,528	10,479	5,263	5,306	6,026	5,853	5,359	4,200	3,129	2,259	2,202	2,009	1,616	1,140	1,045	77,100
Clackamas	20,359	22,639	24,911	15,910	8,590	17,211	17,957	21,284	26,483	31,129	30,689	23,553	16,259	11,741	10,477	9,323	8,020	5,450	4,866	326,850
Clatsop	2,026	2,390	2,537	1,629	1,939	1,874	1,936	2,168	2,646	2,741	2,629	2,362	1,831	1,544	1,374	1,400	1,243	847	634	34,750
Columbia	2,445	3,103	3,704	2,249	1,132	2,029	2,203	2,665	3,232	3,803	3,793	3,109	2,191	1,624	1,402	1,434	1,202	734	594	42,650
Coos	3,206	3,995	4,305	2,742	1,397	2,814	3,106	3,469	4,111	4,493	4,716	4,499	3,650	3,050	3,234	3,014	2,607	1,740	1,210	61,350
Crook	1,107	1,191	1,265	853	425	878	861	968	1,138	1,292	1,227	1,146	931	791	718	745	633	370	259	16,800
Curry	845	1,224	1,349	788	347	699	899	1,009	1,354	1,517	1,555	1,517	1,394	1,587	1,823	1,620	1,294	781	447	22,050
Deschutes	6,480	7,380	7,913	4,862	2,694	5,245	5,809	7,092	9,019	9,529	8,776	7,313	5,582	4,769	4,206	3,874	3,076	1,820	1,261	106,700
Douglas	5,652	6,749	7,529	4,888	2,687	4,791	5,069	5,693	6,783	7,548	7,609	6,990	5,870	4,674	5,023	4,771	4,086	2,499	1,938	100,850
Gilliam	83	179	183	79	49	56	100	144	156	129	156	161	144	122	101	86	90	61	34	2,100
Grant	468	561	605	386	190	315	404	478	597	620	637	618	475	386	310	323	274	187	166	8,000
Harney	413	539	599	386	161	312	400	484	548	561	633	619	459	345	303	272	246	175	143	7,600
Hood River	1,495	1,480	1,530	958	519	1,047	1,267	1,503	1,549	1,473	1,432	1,216	924	742	644	664	569	367	319	19,700
Jackson	10,538	11,546	12,374	7,890	4,762	9,453	9,119	10,081	12,762	14,396	14,088	11,579	9,194	7,743	7,716	7,382	6,476	4,282	3,170	174,550
Jefferson	1,502	1,447	1,364	854	425	1,055	1,187	1,068	1,152	1,211	1,103	1,086	845	704	786	708	632	324	196	17,650
Josephine	4,027	4,634	5,081	3,289	1,614	3,077	3,246	3,825	4,726	5,757	6,099	5,119	4,380	3,797	3,988	3,840	3,244	2,000	1,655	73,400
Klamath	4,181	4,275	4,666	3,062	1,944	3,778	3,394	3,588	4,300	4,840	4,619	4,133	3,495	2,723	2,605	2,370	2,023	1,293	1,011	62,300
Lake	387	519	605	374	132	285	352	464	522	549	557	587	430	372	331	347	252	191	144	7,400
Lane	18,505	20,584	21,689	13,466	11,082	25,045	19,495	20,062	25,014	26,470	24,476	19,862	14,694	11,638	11,547	11,031	9,335	6,443	5,261	315,700
Lincoln	2,193	2,774	2,898	1,683	791	1,722	1,971	2,442	3,293	3,415	3,230	2,913	2,686	2,491	2,650	2,425	1,916	1,133	785	43,350
Linn	7,067	7,270	7,605	4,954	2,959	5,944	5,954	6,190	7,177	7,922	8,208	7,060	5,270	4,230	3,979	3,920	3,374	2,220	1,698	103,000
Malheur	2,487	2,562	2,650	1,771	974	1,594	1,688	1,715	1,914	2,054	2,084	1,898	1,594	1,350	1,094	1,146	944	617	566	30,700
Marion	21,929	20,300	20,499	12,958	8,175	17,846	17,965	18,480	20,419	21,422	20,416	16,823	12,991	9,943	8,394	8,441	7,616	5,708	4,926	275,250
Morrow	758	883	915	571	233	425	470	607	664	652	627	622	509	384	304	325	309	160	131	9,550
Multnomah	45,615	40,983	40,385	24,767	18,573	47,164	49,626	50,882	56,983	56,639	49,092	38,222	28,914	24,059	18,168	17,930	16,448	11,670	10,730	646,850
Polk	3,426	4,353	4,738	2,780	2,176	4,386	3,084	3,418	4,338	4,742	4,421	3,707	2,998	2,286	2,368	2,323	2,038	1,390	1,129	60,100
Sherman	88	130	151	100	32	43	87	130	129	157	111	126	127	125	106	108	76	37	36	1,900
Tillamook	1,180	1,498	1,694	981	475	890	1,095	1,291	1,624	1,717	1,744	1,649	1,575	1,580	1,457	1,394	1,124	664	469	24,100
Umatilla	4,912	5,254	5,387	3,487	2,108	4,325	4,376	4,418	4,834	5,052	4,830	4,384	3,268	2,660	2,258	2,292	1,875	1,331	1,037	68,000
Union	1,473	1,739	2,011	1,255	862	1,669	1,202	1,386	1,772	1,896	1,849	1,584	1,257	908	803	898	837	579	518	24,500
Wallowa	313	518	572	334	134	256	333	403	576	499	567	515	451	365	341	332	289	218	184	7,200
Wasco	1,482	1,598	1,782	1,097	520	948	1,106	1,293	1,580	1,766	1,718	1,524	1,158	988	1,014	969	955	631	520	22,650
Washington	32,366	29,801	29,233	18,262	10,347	25,567	29,950	31,676	34,773	36,727	33,152	24,744	16,924	12,159	10,117	9,422	8,431	5,898	5,202	404,750
Wheeler	71	88	101	71	35	52	61	59	95	115	138	140	124	102	99	94	70	40	43	1,600
Yamhill	5,480	6,735	6,897	4,128	2,947	5,365	4,901	5,497	6,308	6,493	6,344	4,972	3,848	2,965	2,522	2,621	2,314	1,442	1,321	83,100

Table 9. Population by Age and Sex for Oregon and Its Counties: July 1, 1999 (continued)

	Male Population																All Ages			
	0-4	5-9	10-14	15-17	18-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55-59	60-64	65-69	70-74		75-79	80-84	85+
OREGON	112,126	116,290	121,080	76,153	49,047	107,042	103,662	110,184	129,946	139,523	130,560	105,568	78,041	61,304	53,926	50,053	41,975	26,073	17,345	1,629,897
Baker	434	615	707	396	191	357	421	471	610	559	669	666	508	421	321	374	307	188	176	8,392
Benton	2,145	2,428	2,485	1,587	2,342	5,948	2,810	2,631	2,978	3,008	2,664	2,075	1,526	1,077	1,035	928	684	424	309	38,983
Clackamas	10,349	11,629	12,825	8,279	4,470	8,878	8,837	10,308	12,952	15,383	15,617	11,915	8,095	5,720	4,917	4,182	3,451	2,105	1,471	161,384
Clatsop	1,055	1,268	1,338	820	473	996	1,013	1,079	1,311	1,421	1,348	1,178	891	721	647	627	565	338	216	17,305
Columbia	1,238	1,610	1,917	1,158	583	1,050	1,100	1,298	1,608	1,937	1,640	1,640	1,125	801	674	671	549	332	229	21,508
Coos	1,692	2,052	2,202	1,429	728	1,463	1,541	1,708	2,016	2,258	2,378	2,194	1,809	1,497	1,618	1,486	1,182	787	411	30,451
Crook	570	631	681	465	232	444	422	488	565	675	632	603	418	409	344	343	305	178	93	8,500
Curry	430	637	660	396	174	343	460	485	712	739	741	745	655	800	946	825	661	371	179	10,958
Deschutes	3,345	3,807	4,075	2,654	1,471	2,719	2,813	3,388	4,493	4,897	4,269	3,662	2,742	2,374	2,036	1,925	1,476	815	439	53,399
Douglas	2,922	3,410	3,874	2,583	1,420	2,421	2,462	2,788	3,381	3,801	3,830	3,495	2,844	2,319	2,478	2,279	1,917	1,118	733	50,076
Gilliam	38	100	93	45	28	29	49	66	75	80	55	76	77	57	58	40	42	28	13	1,049
Grant	232	285	323	185	91	178	202	233	314	319	337	301	253	193	161	156	138	86	64	4,052
Harney	215	288	291	193	80	156	207	234	289	283	325	326	234	171	148	145	132	71	59	3,847
Hood River	767	718	746	538	292	566	688	821	864	799	770	620	460	363	303	314	265	158	95	10,146
Jackson	5,319	5,897	6,357	3,980	2,402	4,803	4,498	4,862	6,188	7,278	6,989	5,724	4,538	3,738	3,726	3,499	2,935	1,760	1,047	85,540
Jefferson	746	729	701	439	218	546	614	554	610	636	566	515	389	330	420	354	306	158	70	8,899
Josephine	2,071	2,408	2,653	1,737	853	1,538	1,558	1,849	2,245	2,813	3,001	2,449	2,110	1,840	1,894	1,841	1,494	897	601	35,852
Klamath	2,096	2,216	2,471	1,634	1,037	2,062	1,711	1,786	2,105	2,497	2,369	2,133	1,682	1,354	1,298	1,159	953	558	374	31,497
Lake	188	271	308	196	69	143	184	230	270	281	284	312	199	186	183	166	127	95	45	3,736
Lane	9,427	10,449	11,102	6,755	5,559	12,680	9,750	9,712	12,156	13,318	12,129	9,998	7,041	5,511	5,293	4,950	4,079	2,621	1,659	154,188
Lincoln	1,116	1,403	1,418	846	398	869	948	1,181	1,636	1,715	1,544	1,379	1,229	1,173	1,276	1,167	864	513	305	20,979
Linn	3,578	3,779	3,952	2,546	1,521	3,081	2,948	3,070	3,615	3,935	4,136	3,486	2,583	2,047	1,859	1,792	1,524	937	585	50,972
Malheur	1,208	1,299	1,357	929	511	801	858	906	933	1,049	1,052	933	762	656	526	555	447	243	187	15,212
Marion	11,245	10,369	10,477	6,804	4,292	9,362	9,452	9,564	10,517	10,965	10,091	8,254	6,219	4,556	3,819	3,675	3,237	2,213	1,566	136,679
Morrow	372	446	522	292	119	219	232	316	340	353	316	312	245	209	143	164	144	64	53	4,862
Multnomah	23,423	20,937	20,624	12,453	9,338	23,447	24,871	25,530	29,179	28,972	24,760	18,866	13,862	11,304	8,028	7,440	6,525	4,109	2,986	316,656
Polk	1,749	2,272	2,428	1,416	1,108	2,149	1,507	1,633	2,125	2,393	2,178	1,823	1,426	1,083	1,040	1,048	857	574	374	29,183
Sherman	43	72	83	56	18	23	48	70	66	80	59	59	60	67	54	56	38	20	10	980
Tillamook	620	772	873	519	251	461	555	644	826	857	905	741	721	778	729	658	490	326	175	11,900
Umatilla	2,515	2,721	2,795	1,846	1,116	2,401	2,408	2,348	2,480	2,603	2,442	2,210	1,586	1,268	1,063	1,023	835	565	354	34,578
Union	763	916	1,051	618	424	880	579	636	909	965	923	801	625	452	400	395	391	233	172	12,133
Wallowa	146	257	306	168	67	135	168	196	311	260	283	272	223	171	181	159	134	99	67	3,604
Wasco	732	807	946	559	265	475	525	618	799	864	860	822	530	445	503	438	431	262	165	11,047
Washington	16,533	15,274	14,892	9,439	5,348	12,675	14,702	15,615	17,194	18,089	16,682	12,315	8,398	5,735	4,571	3,979	3,403	2,204	1,616	198,663
Wheeler	33	44	46	44	21	28	31	23	44	55	72	65	66	54	47	61	32	21	25	812
Yamhill	2,770	3,475	3,503	2,152	1,536	2,816	2,487	2,843	3,230	3,388	3,291	2,601	1,909	1,424	1,188	1,182	1,054	604	421	41,874

Table 9. Population by Age and Sex for Oregon and Its Counties: July 1, 1999 (continued)

	Female Population																All Ages			
	0-4	5-9	10-14	15-17	18-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55-59	60-64	65-69	70-74		75-79	80-84	85+
OREGON	107,401	110,499	114,716	71,532	46,275	102,255	103,077	112,010	129,797	136,807	129,413	106,258	82,605	66,733	61,225	60,471	54,230	38,868	36,730	1,670,903
Baker	435	581	570	357	173	301	385	482	552	565	644	611	569	411	366	385	364	309	249	8,308
Benton	1,949	2,243	2,367	1,482	2,186	4,630	2,453	2,675	3,048	2,845	2,695	2,125	1,604	1,182	1,167	1,081	932	716	736	38,117
Clackamas	10,010	11,009	12,086	7,630	4,120	8,333	9,120	10,975	13,532	15,746	15,072	11,638	8,163	6,020	5,560	5,140	4,570	3,345	3,395	165,466
Clatsop	971	1,122	1,200	809	466	878	922	1,089	1,335	1,320	1,282	1,184	940	823	727	774	678	509	417	17,445
Columbia	1,207	1,494	1,786	1,091	549	979	1,104	1,370	1,624	1,866	1,801	1,470	1,066	823	728	764	653	403	365	21,142
Coos	1,513	1,942	2,103	1,313	669	1,351	1,565	1,761	2,095	2,235	2,338	2,301	1,841	1,552	1,616	1,528	1,425	953	798	30,999
Crook	537	560	584	388	193	435	439	480	573	618	595	543	512	382	374	402	328	192	166	8,300
Curry	415	587	689	392	173	356	439	524	642	778	814	772	739	787	877	795	633	410	268	11,092
Deschutes	3,136	3,573	3,838	2,208	1,223	2,526	2,995	3,704	4,526	4,633	4,507	3,651	2,840	2,396	2,170	1,949	1,600	1,004	823	53,301
Douglas	2,730	3,339	3,656	2,305	1,267	2,370	2,607	2,905	3,402	3,747	3,779	3,495	3,026	2,355	2,545	2,492	2,169	1,381	1,205	50,774
Gilliam	45	78	90	34	21	27	51	78	66	76	75	86	67	65	43	46	48	33	21	1,051
Grant	235	275	282	201	99	137	202	246	283	301	300	317	222	193	149	167	136	100	102	3,948
Harney	198	250	307	193	81	156	192	249	259	278	309	293	225	174	156	128	114	104	85	3,753
Hood River	728	762	783	420	228	481	579	683	685	674	662	597	464	380	340	351	304	209	223	9,554
Jackson	5,218	5,649	6,017	3,910	2,360	4,650	4,620	5,218	6,574	7,118	7,099	5,855	4,656	4,006	3,991	3,883	3,541	2,522	2,123	89,010
Jefferson	757	719	663	415	207	510	573	514	542	576	537	571	456	374	366	354	327	166	126	8,751
Josephine	1,956	2,226	2,428	1,552	762	1,538	1,689	1,977	2,481	2,944	3,098	2,671	2,269	1,957	2,094	1,998	1,750	1,102	1,054	37,548
Klamath	2,085	2,058	2,196	1,428	907	1,716	1,683	1,802	2,195	2,343	2,250	1,999	1,813	1,368	1,307	1,211	1,070	735	637	30,803
Lake	200	249	297	178	63	142	167	235	253	268	273	275	231	185	148	181	125	96	99	3,664
Lane	9,078	10,135	10,587	6,711	5,523	12,365	9,745	10,350	12,858	13,151	12,347	9,864	7,653	6,127	6,255	6,081	5,256	3,823	3,602	161,512
Lincoln	1,077	1,371	1,420	837	393	853	1,023	1,261	1,656	1,700	1,687	1,533	1,457	1,318	1,375	1,258	1,052	621	480	22,371
Linn	3,490	3,491	3,653	2,408	1,438	2,863	3,006	3,120	3,561	3,987	4,072	3,573	2,687	2,184	2,120	2,128	1,850	1,283	1,113	52,028
Malheur	1,279	1,263	1,293	842	463	793	830	808	981	1,004	1,032	964	832	694	568	591	497	375	379	15,488
Marion	10,684	9,932	10,022	6,154	3,883	8,484	8,513	8,916	9,901	10,458	10,324	8,569	6,772	5,387	4,575	4,767	4,379	3,494	3,360	138,571
Morrow	387	437	393	279	114	206	238	291	324	299	311	310	264	175	161	161	165	96	79	4,689
Multnomah	22,192	20,046	19,761	12,315	9,235	23,717	24,755	25,351	27,804	27,667	24,332	19,355	15,052	12,755	10,139	10,490	9,924	7,561	7,744	330,194
Polk	1,677	2,081	2,310	1,364	1,068	2,237	1,577	1,785	2,213	2,349	2,243	1,884	1,573	1,203	1,328	1,274	1,181	815	755	30,917
Sherman	45	59	68	44	14	21	39	61	63	76	52	67	67	58	51	52	38	17	26	920
Tillamook	560	726	821	462	224	428	540	648	798	861	840	908	854	802	727	736	634	338	294	12,200
Umatilla	2,397	2,534	2,592	1,641	992	1,924	1,968	2,071	2,354	2,449	2,387	2,174	1,682	1,393	1,196	1,179	1,040	767	682	33,422
Union	711	823	960	638	438	789	623	749	863	931	926	783	633	456	404	504	446	346	346	12,367
Wallowa	166	261	266	165	66	121	164	207	265	240	283	243	228	194	160	173	155	120	117	3,596
Wasco	750	791	836	538	255	473	581	674	781	902	858	701	628	543	511	531	524	370	355	11,603
Washington	15,833	14,527	14,341	8,823	4,999	12,892	15,248	16,061	17,578	18,638	16,470	12,429	8,527	6,424	5,546	5,443	5,028	3,694	3,586	206,087
Wheeler	38	44	55	27	13	25	31	36	51	60	65	75	57	48	53	33	38	20	19	788
Yamhill	2,710	3,261	3,394	1,977	1,411	2,549	2,413	2,655	3,078	3,105	3,053	2,371	1,939	1,541	1,334	1,439	1,259	838	899	41,226

Table 10. Population by Age Groups (Less than 18 Years of Age, 18 to 64 Years of Age, and 65 Years of Age and Older) for Oregon and Its Counties: July 1, 1999

	Ages 0-17		Ages 18-64		Ages 65+		Total Population
	Population	% of County	Population	% of County	Population	% of County	
OREGON	829,797	25.1%	2,030,107	61.5%	440,896	13.4%	3,300,800
Baker	4,095	24.5%	9,565	57.3%	3,041	18.2%	16,700
Benton	16,688	21.6%	52,402	68.0%	8,011	10.4%	77,100
Clackamas	83,818	25.6%	204,896	62.7%	38,136	11.7%	326,850
Clatsop	8,583	24.7%	20,669	59.5%	5,498	15.8%	34,750
Columbia	11,501	27.0%	25,782	60.5%	5,367	12.6%	42,650
Coos	14,248	23.2%	35,299	57.5%	11,803	19.2%	61,350
Crook	4,416	26.3%	9,658	57.5%	2,725	16.2%	16,800
Curry	4,206	19.1%	11,878	53.9%	5,966	27.1%	22,050
Deschutes	26,634	25.0%	65,829	61.7%	14,237	13.3%	106,700
Douglas	24,819	24.6%	57,714	57.2%	18,317	18.2%	100,850
Gilliam	524	24.9%	1,204	57.3%	373	17.7%	2,100
Grant	2,019	25.2%	4,721	59.0%	1,260	15.7%	8,000
Harney	1,937	25.5%	4,523	59.5%	1,141	15.0%	7,600
Hood River	5,463	27.7%	11,674	59.3%	2,563	13.0%	19,700
Jackson	42,347	24.3%	103,176	59.1%	29,027	16.6%	174,550
Jefferson	5,167	29.3%	9,837	55.7%	2,645	15.0%	17,650
Josephine	17,033	23.2%	41,641	56.7%	14,726	20.1%	73,400
Klamath	16,184	26.0%	36,813	59.1%	9,303	14.9%	62,300
Lake	1,885	25.5%	4,250	57.4%	1,265	17.1%	7,400
Lane	74,244	23.5%	197,838	62.7%	43,618	13.8%	315,700
Lincoln	9,488	21.9%	24,954	57.6%	8,908	20.6%	43,350
Linn	26,896	26.1%	60,913	59.1%	15,191	14.7%	103,000
Malheur	9,469	30.8%	16,864	54.9%	4,367	14.2%	30,700
Marion	75,686	27.5%	164,479	59.8%	35,085	12.7%	275,250
Morrow	3,127	32.7%	5,193	54.4%	1,230	12.9%	9,550
Multnomah	151,750	23.5%	420,154	65.0%	74,946	11.6%	646,850
Polk	15,297	25.5%	35,555	59.2%	9,248	15.4%	60,100
Sherman	470	24.7%	1,067	56.2%	362	19.1%	1,900
Tillamook	5,353	22.2%	13,640	56.6%	5,107	21.2%	24,100
Umatilla	19,041	28.0%	40,255	59.2%	8,704	12.8%	68,000
Union	6,479	26.4%	14,385	58.7%	3,636	14.8%	24,500
Wallowa	1,737	24.1%	4,099	56.9%	1,364	18.9%	7,200
Wasco	5,960	26.3%	12,600	55.6%	4,090	18.1%	22,650
Washington	109,662	27.1%	256,019	63.3%	39,069	9.7%	404,750
Wheeler	332	20.7%	921	57.6%	347	21.7%	1,600
Yamhill	23,240	28.0%	49,640	59.7%	10,220	12.3%	83,100

Population Growth in Oregon, 1990 to 1999

Oregon's population grew at an average annual rate of 1.79 percent during the 1990 to 1999 period. The total population increased by 458,480 during the nine-year period, reaching a population of 3,300,800 on July 1, 1999.

During the 1990s, the Oregon counties experiencing the fastest average growth rates are located along the I-5 corridor and in central Oregon. The I-5 counties include the area in the Willamette Valley and several areas in southern Oregon. The central Oregon counties are located along the eastern flank of the Cascades. Among the 36 counties in the state, Deschutes is the fastest growing county with a growth rate of 42% from 1990 to 1999, followed by Washington County (30%), Jefferson County (29%) and Yamhill County (27%).

Almost all of the localities in these rapidly growing area are included in the Portland, Salem, Eugene-Springfield metropolitan areas. The exception -- Deschutes county -- may well become a metropolitan area after the 2000 census enumeration.

Why Oregon's Population is Growing

Natural increase (birth minus deaths) has added an annual average of about 16,000 persons to Oregon's population. Natural increase accounts for about 30 percent of Oregon's current overall population growth. Net migration (people moving into the state

minus people leaving the state) accounts for the remaining population growth, adding about 35,000 people to the state's population each year in the 1990s.

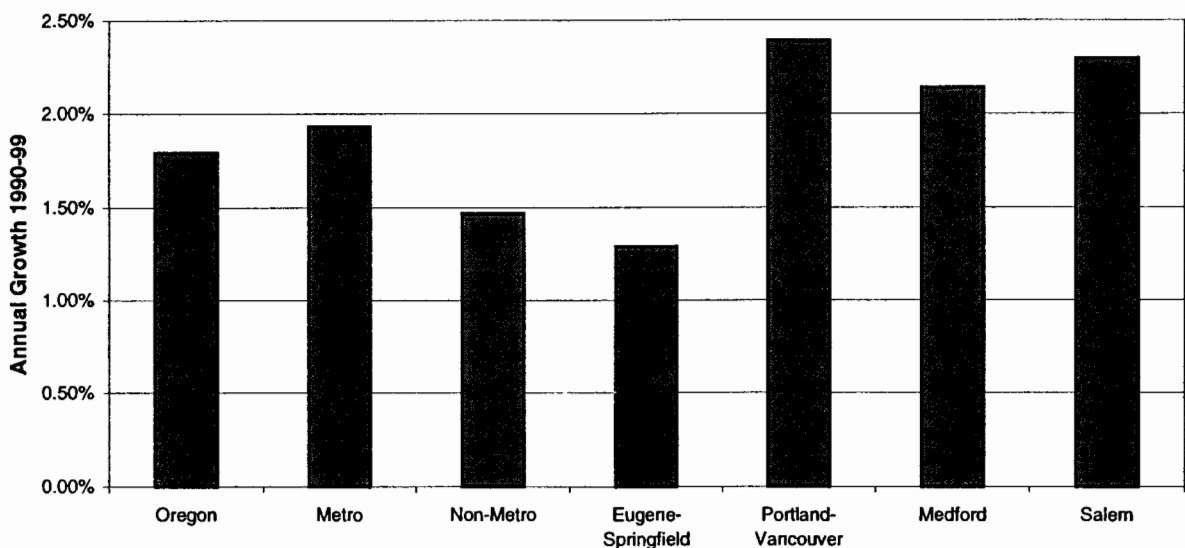
Migration has been the most variable component of population change for the past several decades. Migration reflects population movements associated with economic opportunities in Oregon, taking into account conditions especially in neighboring states. Some movements into and out of Oregon -- for students and for retired persons, for example -- reflect non-economic factors as well.

Oregon's pattern of net migration has been associated with contractions and expansions of the state's economy. During peak growth periods, such as during the mid-1990s, annual migration rates were more than triple the gains due to natural increase. As migration slows, natural increase contributes a greater portion of annual population growth.

Metropolitan Growth

While many people both inside and outside Oregon retain the image of the state as a place of coastal beaches, mountain forests, and high desert plains, the state's population is mainly urban and has been for some time. In 1999, about 67 percent of Oregon's residents lived in cities and towns; in fact, over 2.3 million live in metropolitan counties.

Average Annual Growth Rates 1990-99 for Oregon's Metropolitan Areas



Higher growth rates occur mainly in metropolitan counties, which taken together have had average annual growth rates of 2.0 percent since 1990, compared to 1.5 percent for nonmetropolitan counties and 1.8 percent for the state as a whole.

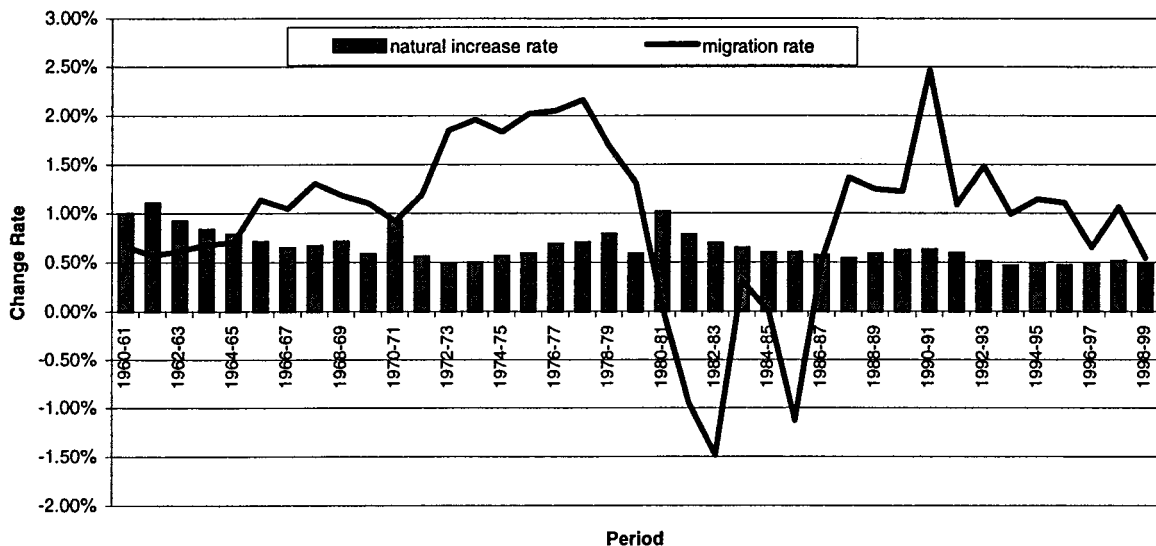
Not all metropolitan areas, however, are growing at equal rates. Portland, Medford-Ashland, and Salem metropolitan areas have been growing faster than the state as a whole. The Eugene-Springfield metropolitan area has been growing at slower rate than the state average.

Keizer, Central Point, and Florence are all examples of localities that are growing more rapidly than the central cities of their metropolitan areas.

Net Migration's Contribution to Growth

During the 1970s, net migration drove Oregon's population increase. During the 1980s, the economy was weak and the state experienced net out-migration during three years. During the 1990s, the tables have turned in favor of migration, which accounted for 70 percent of the state's 1990-99 population growth.

Natural Increase and Net Migration, 1960 to 1999



Nor do localities within metropolitan areas experience equal levels of growth. All cities and towns in metropolitan areas have been growing in the 1990s, but there is wide variation in growth rates.

For many years, the localities outside the central cities of metropolitan areas were the fastest-growing localities, and most of them still have above average annual growth rates. A substantial number of these older localities, however, have now grown to a size that they have become major urban areas. With more economic development moving to these localities, residential growth has been moving out to further towns in metropolitan areas. This trend is especially evident in the metropolitan Portland area, where growth rates for Canby, Oregon City, and Wilsonville in Clackamas County; Beaverton, Forest Grove, Hillsboro, Tigard, and Tualatin in Washington County; and McMinnville and Newberg in Yamhill County well outstrip those for Portland. Evidence of the trend is found in all Oregon metropolitan areas:

Natural increase's contribution to growth has declined – not because the excess of births minus deaths has decreased – due to the relative increase of migration.

The reversal of net migration's effect has been most evident in a number of counties, particularly in several counties that experienced population losses in the 1980s. Of Oregon's twenty-four counties with negative net migration during the 1980 to 1990 period, all but two – Grant and Sherman – experienced a turnaround in the 1990s and witnessed positive net migration.

Meanwhile, there are ten counties in Oregon that are experiencing natural decreases in the 1990s (there are more deaths than births). These counties would decline in absolute numbers if net in-migration did not offset natural decreases. Except for Sherman County, net in-migration has offset natural decreases in Oregon's counties.

Oregon's Rural Population Rebound

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One image of Oregon's rural areas is that they consist of small towns, productive farms, green forests, and sparkling lakes and rivers. A contrasting picture is that the rural areas include abandoned homesteads, boarded-up main streets, and closed schools. Both of these views of rural areas reflect some fundamental facts. During most of the twentieth century, some areas of early settlement have witnessed large-scale out-migration, as thousands of rural people moved to larger cities. Agriculture and forestry industries have become more efficient, changing the economics of farm work and the timber industries and reducing the need for labor.

At the same time, Oregon's rural areas have experienced new types of in-migration. The attractions of rivers, mountains, and seacoast have lured new residents. Some of these newcomers brought with them ideas for new types of industry. Other newcomers were older and selected more rural areas because they were attractive retirement places.

The demographic story of Oregon's rural areas has been varied. This report focuses on recent rural population trends, emphasizing the last three decades, and the complex set of forces that have affected them.

We limit attention here to Oregon's 27 nonmetropolitan counties, excluding discussion for the nine metropolitan counties (Clackamas, Columbia, Jackson, Lane, Marion, Multnomah, Polk, Washington, and Yamhill).

Pioneer Settlement

For thousands of years Oregon was the home of American Indians. At the time of European pioneer settlement in the mid-1800s, American Indians resided in valleys, hills, and coastal regions of Oregon. The U.S. government records of the 1850s for Oregon, however, are inexact and incomplete for American Indians. Although the federal government and American Indian tribes signed several treaties, in many cases it is difficult to sort out the tribal identities and their geographic location. The location of

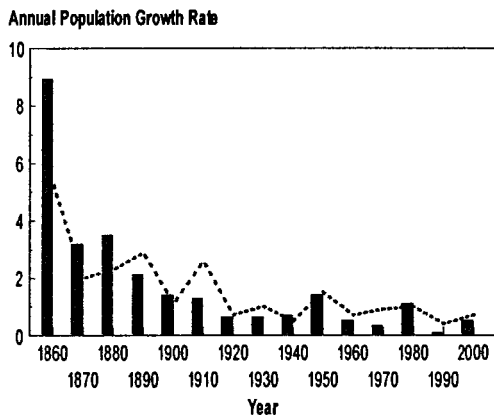
American Indians, moreover, was not static. They moved around and sometimes changed their major places of settlement.

The first U.S. census for Oregon occurred in 1850, when 12,093 settlers were enumerated. American Indians in Oregon were not enumerated until the 1890 census. Although we lack population estimates for American Indians until the end of the 1800s, the American Indian population probably exceeded the pioneer population until about the 1860s.

Oregon's rural counties grew rapidly in the second half of the 1800s: increasing from 2,270 in 1850 to 189,019 in 1900, a dramatic 83-fold increase in fifty years, averaging almost 9 percent growth per year (see Figure 1; each bar represents the average population growth rate for Oregon's rural counties for a ten-year period). Rural counties grew more rapidly than metropolitan counties from 1850 to 1900 because most of the pioneer settlement consisted of farmers and ranchers who took up residence in rural areas of Oregon. (During the same five decades, Oregon's currently metropolitan counties increased from 9,823 in 1850 to 228,289, an average annual population increase of 6 percent.)

Rural population growth was rapid until about 1910. The period of most rapid growth during pioneer settlement varied for counties. During the 1850s, high rates of population growth occurred in the rural counties of the Willamette Valley, with Benton County experiencing the most rapid growth -- a five-fold increase in ten years. During the 1860s, population growth expanded outside of the Willamette Valley, with new settlements started along the Oregon coast. Tillamook County was the fastest growing rural county from 1860 to 1870, increasing from 95 people in 1860 to 408 in 1870. Population growth in Astoria during the 1870s fueled population growth in Clatsop County, resulting in an almost six-fold increase in the county's population, growing from 1,255 in 1870 to 7,222 in 1880.

Figure 1. Population Growth in Oregon's Nonmetropolitan Counties for the Previous Ten-Year Period: 1860 to 1999. (bars indicate nonmetropolitan counties; dotted line shows trend for metropolitan counties)



During the latter part of the 1800s, population growth increased in rural counties of eastern, coastal, and southern Oregon. Although many of the towns in these areas had been founded in the mid-1800s, substantial in-migration of farmers, ranchers, loggers, and miners occurred later in the 1800s. Coos and Josephine counties were the fastest growing rural counties during the 1880s, both increasing at an average of 3 percent per year. Fueled by development of mining, Baker County was the fastest growing county in the 1890s, more than doubling its population from 6,764 in 1890 to 15,597 in 1900. Crook County (which included the current Jefferson and Deschutes counties) was the fastest growing county in the 1900s, increasing from 4,519 in 1900 to 9,315 in 1910.

After initial settlement and development, population growth slackened markedly in rural counties. Population growth decreased to only about 0.4 percent per year from 1910 to 1940 compared to the much more rapid increases from 1850 to 1910. Seven rural counties lost population during the 1910s; ten counties experienced population decreases in the 1920s; and 6 counties lost population in the 1930s. Some counties lost population throughout the 1910 to 1940 period: Sherman County experienced its peak population of 4,242 in 1910 and declined to 2,321 in 1940.

During World War II, population growth increased to 1.1 percent per year in rural counties. This growth was led by counties with expanding employment in the timber and

manufacturing industries (Benton, Douglas, Josephine, and Linn counties) and increasing agricultural and manufacturing industries (Crook, Jefferson, and Umatilla counties).

Rural population growth during the 1940s did not persist into the post-World War II period. During the 1950s Oregon's growth occurred primarily in metropolitan counties. Only Curry County managed to grow at more than 1 percent per year from 1950 to 1960. During the 1960s, rural population growth experienced further reductions, increasing only 0.3 percent per year - the slowest growth witnessed since pioneer settlement began in the mid-1800s. Only Benton and Deschutes counties managed to achieve growth rates above 1 percent per year. Eleven counties experienced population declines in the 1960s. Gilliam and Wheeler counties decreased by more than 1 percent per year in the 1960s.

Turnaround of the 1970s

In 1970, about 650,000 people lived in Oregon's rural counties. Another 1,400,000, or 70 percent, resided in the state's nine metropolitan counties.

Oregon's rural population in 1970 needs to be placed in the national context. Between 1930 and 1970, America's rural population grew slowly, fueled almost entirely by more births than deaths (what demographers call "natural increase"). Higher fertility by rural couples produced a sufficient number of births to offset deaths and people moving out. In spite of higher birth rates, migration losses were large enough to result in actual population losses for many counties. In the 1960s, three-fourths of America's rural counties had more people moving out than moving in. By 1970, most rural counties around the country were experiencing migration losses and were barely increasing their total population.

The demographic situation in America's rural counties changed in the 1970s when, for the first time in five decades, population gains became widespread. The rural population gains at the national level were so great that they actually exceeded those for metropolitan areas. In-migration occurred in rural areas and they seemed to take place in almost every area of the country.

In Oregon, rural counties increased their average annual population growth rates to 1.1 percent in

the 1970s, the second fastest ten-year growth rate since the 1900 to 1910 period. Eleven rural counties grew at 1 percent or greater per year. Josephine and Morrow counties increased at more than 2 percent per year. And Deschutes County grew by 3.1 percent per year, almost doubling its population between 1970 and 1980.

Several factors seem to account for this rural population turnaround:

- Spillover of metropolitan population growth occurred in counties adjacent to the Portland, Salem, and Eugene-Springfield metropolitan areas, where people could take advantage of jobs in the metropolitan areas while residing in outlying rural areas. Some portion of the growth in Benton and Linn counties probably reflects such spillover population increase.
- Much of the loss of employment in the farm sector, which resulted from the effects of mechanization and from agri-business, had run its course by the 1970s. The farm population had decreased to a level that further changes in the farm population had a weaker overall influence on rural population shifts.
- New communication technology and improved all-weather roads made rural areas less isolated than they have previously been.
- Nonmetropolitan areas with recreational amenities became increasingly attractive to retirees, to people not tied to a particular area, and to seasonal residents. Population growth in smaller towns on the coast and in southern and central Oregon probably reflect the role of amenities in attracting new residents.
- Wage differences narrowed between rural and urban areas in the 1970s. Coupled with the lower cost of living in rural areas, a smaller gap between rural and urban wages enhanced the appeal of rural areas.
- Employment opportunities in manufacturing and service jobs grew in nonmetropolitan areas in the 1970s. This helped to retain existing residents and attract new ones.

Researchers were surprised by national rural population trends in the 1970s. Yet, even as they

began to try to explain the turnaround in the 1970s, the demographic trends shifted again.

Slowdown of the 1980s

Between 1980 and 1990, less than one-half of rural counties across the nation gained population. The rural population, at the national level, increased by only 3 percent in the 1980s, compared to a 16 percent increase in the 1970s. More people left rural areas and most rural counties lost population. Except for a few counties in the West and some counties adjacent to metropolitan areas, population losses were extremely common.

Oregon's rural population experienced the dual effects of two important forces. First, out-migration from rural areas reasserted itself in Oregon as it did at the national level. But, secondly and perhaps more importantly, Oregon's economy was weak throughout most of the 1980s. There was a net in-migration to the state of only 32,000 persons from 1980 to 1990. The state experienced sizeable out-migration in three years, resulting in state population declines for the state during 1982, 1983, and 1986, the first actual population declines for Oregon since it became a state in 1859.

In this context of national and state trends, it is not surprising the Oregon's rural counties witnessed a sharp reversal in their population trends. The rural population increased by only 20,000 during the 1980s, or 0.1 percent per year -- the slowest growth rate recorded for the state's rural population.

National rural population trends in the 1980s puzzled researchers. If the 1970s represented a turnaround from the previous pattern, how could the 1980s be explained? Were the 1970s the exception? Did the 1980s represent a continuation of a long-term downward trend for rural counties?

It now appears that the trends for the 1980s were neither a repeat of the turnaround nor a reversion to earlier historical trends. Before dealing with these questions, it is important to consider what happened in the 1990s.

Rebound of the 1990s

Since 1990, rural areas across the nation have been rebounding. More than 71 percent of all nonmetropolitan counties gained population between 1990 and 1998, according to U.S. Census Bureau estimates. Population losses continue to occur, however, in primarily agricultural counties in the western Great Plains and the Mississippi Delta. Many of the agricultural counties of Montana and Wyoming, for example, are experiencing population losses.

Natural increase, the traditional engine for rural population increases, has contributed much less to gains in the 1990s. Most of recent rural population growth is accounted for by in-migration.

In contrast to the differences between the 1980s and the 1990s, there are two similarities between the rebounds of the 1970s and 1990s. First, net migration gains fueled growth in both the 1970s and the 1990s. Second, rural growth in the 1990s is widespread across the nation, just as it was in the 1970s. Thus, the 1970s and 1990s appear to represent a departure from the historical demographic trends preceding 1970.

Oregon's rural counties have increased their annual rate of population growth to 0.5 percent for the 1990 to 1999 period, according to the Population Research Center's estimates. With a few exceptions, every rural county seems to be experiencing modest to moderate growth -- a pattern that has not occurred since the early 1900s. Four counties are growing by more than 1 percent per year: Deschutes, Gilliam, Jefferson, and Morrow. Gilliam County is noteworthy because it had been losing population since about 1920: its population increases in the 1990s are the first large gains in more than 70 years.

When Deaths Exceed Births

The rural rebound of the 1990s underscores the fact that net migration now has the greatest effect on the growth of the rural population. From the turnaround of the 1970s through the rebound of the 1990s, migration has determined whether a rural county grew or declined. Natural increase, which for most of this century accounted for the greatest proportion of rural population growth, no longer produces the substantial excess of births over deaths that are needed to offset migration losses.

In fact, in a growing number of Oregon's rural counties, births are no longer sufficient to offset the rising number of deaths, leaving migration into the county as the only potential source of growth. The pattern of "natural decrease" (more deaths than births) has occurred because the age composition has changed. The age distribution in rural counties is becoming older, in some cases because of out-migration of younger people and, in other cases, because of the in-migration of elderly. In both situations, the increasing proportion of elderly has resulted in a larger number of deaths, while births have remained steady or decreased. Natural decreases are now occurring in more than one-third of Oregon's rural counties, including Baker, Coos, Curry, Gilliam, Josephine, Lincoln, Sherman, Tillamook, Wallowa, and Wheeler. Several other rural counties -- such as Clatsop, Grant, Harney, Lake, and Wasco -- are likely to experience natural decreases in the next two decades. All of these counties will require future migration gains in order to offset natural decreases.

While the amount of migration has varied from decade to decade since the 1950s, there is a striking consistency in overall age-specific migration patterns. Since the 1950s, more people in their 20s have typically moved from rural to urban areas. This pattern reflects, in part, the movement of younger people to colleges, to job training programs, and to military service. The significant new development to this trend is the increasing propensity for those in their 30s (and their children) and the elderly to move to or remain in rural counties. The migration gains in these important age groups, younger families and the elderly, may mean that the appeal of these areas carries more weight for families and retired couples. These shifts in the age pattern of rural net migration have changed overall population losses to gains for many of Oregon's rural counties.

Migration data for specific age groups for counties in the 1990s will not become available until the tabulation of the 2000 U.S. census. However, initial work by demographers Glenn Fuguitt and Calvin Beale with national data suggest that rural migration for the under-65 age group may be more important than for the over-65 age group. If this suggestion is substantiated with 2000 census data for Oregon, it will be a

major change from previous trends. Moreover, such a finding would suggest that rural areas are appealing to a broader, younger section of the population. If it persists, it is likely that Oregon's rural counties might continue their growth for a considerable period of time.

Explanations of Growth

Rural demographic trends cannot be isolated from demographic trends for metropolitan areas. Oregon is and will remain an urban population. At present, more than 70 percent of the state's population resides in metropolitan counties. (Because the population of Bend is likely to exceed 50,000 in the 2000 census, Deschutes County will become a metropolitan area after the census and will further increase the state's metropolitan population.)

Trying to explain demographic trends are more difficult than documenting that they have changed. Population change depends upon many factors, such as technological and environmental changes, residential preferences, and most importantly economic changes that influence job opportunities.

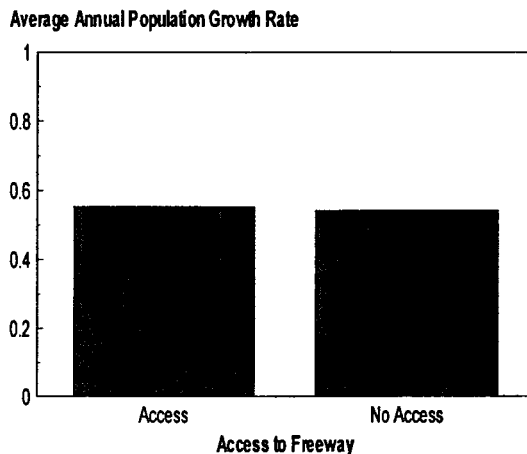
The term "rural counties" is a deceptively simple term to apply to the diversity of Oregon's 27 nonmetropolitan counties. The counties are remarkably varied in many ways: some are heavily dependent on farming, others on timber, and others on manufacturing; some have small towns and others have cities as large as Bend; they range from the coast to the mountains and to the high desert areas; and some are located on major freeways and others are relatively remote from major highways.

This diversity can be addressed by examining the pattern of county population growth in the 1990s for several important dimensions:

- Location along or adjacent to a freeway provides transportation access that may increase an area's attractiveness for employment development. It might be expected that rural counties that have easy access to an interstate freeway would expect more rapid population growth. Thirteen counties -- including Baker, Benton, Douglas, Gilliam, Hood River, Josephine, Linn, Malheur, Morrow, Sherman, Umatilla, Union, and Wasco -- have freeway access. During 1990 to 1999, counties with freeway

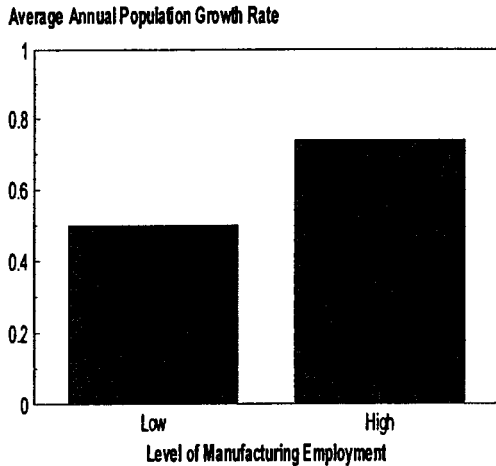
access grew 5.1 percent (see Figure 2). Counties without freeway access grew by 5.0 percent. There are only slight differences in the growth rates. The results suggest that freeway access has not been a critical determinant for rural county population growth.

Figure 2. Rural Population Growth by Access to Freeway, 1990 to 1999.



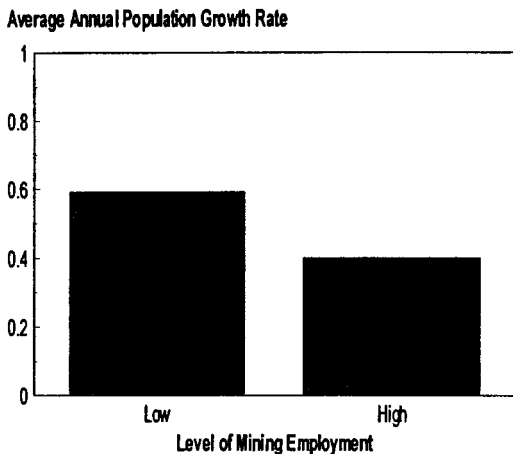
- Manufacturing activity is higher in nonmetropolitan areas than metropolitan areas in the United States. Many of the faster growing nonmetropolitan counties have attracted such industries as poultry processing, clothing, auto-parts, and computer equipment in recent years. Some of these enterprises are small and self-contained, but others are large enough to cause major ripple effects for the county's industrial base. Five rural counties had 20 percent or more of their workers in manufacturing in the 1990 census: Crook, Douglas, Jefferson, Josephine, and Linn. The five counties with higher levels of manufacturing employment grew by 6.9 percent, compared with 4.6 percent for other counties (see Figure 3). Rural counties with a more manufacturing employment have experienced greater population growth in recent years.

Figure 3. Rural Population Growth by Level of Manufacturing Employment, 1990 to 1999.



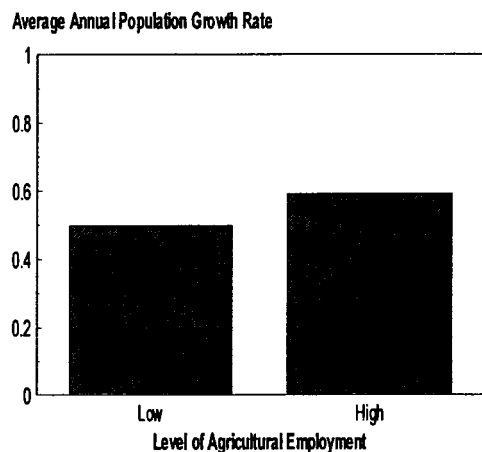
- Although mining does not account for a large proportion of Oregon's rural jobs, it continues to shed jobs and consolidate operations. Counties with a heavy reliance on mining operations have tended to suffer job losses in recent decades. Six counties reported .4 percent of more of their workers in mining in the 1990 census: Baker, Douglas, Grant, Linn, Malheur, and Union. Of these counties, only Baker had more than 1 percent of workers employed in mining however. The six mining counties increased their population by 3.7 percent between 1990 and 1999, compared with gains of 5.5 percent for other counties (see Figure 4). Counties with a greater reliance on mining employment have not grown as fast as other counties.

Figure 4. Rural Population Growth by Level of Mining Employment, 1990 to 1999.



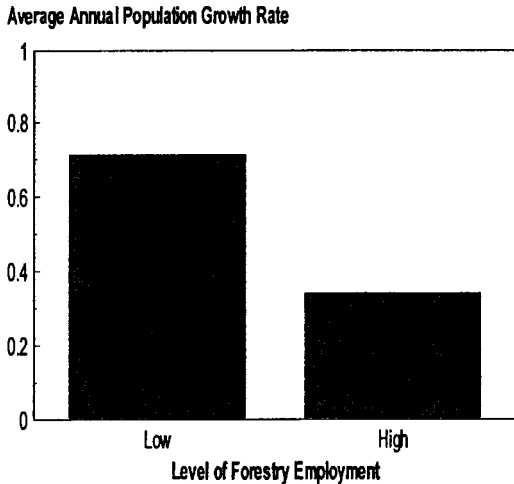
- Job opportunities in farming have continued to decline in recent decades. Although farming remains an important economic activity in Oregon, counties highly dependent upon farming might be expected to have lower population gains than other counties. Fourteen of Oregon's 27 rural counties had 10 percent or more of their workers in agriculture in the 1990 census. Farming counties increased their county populations by 5.5 percent in the 1990s, compared with 4.6 percent for other counties (see Figure 5). Research for other states has found that population growth is slower in counties with a higher levels of agricultural employment. Oregon seems different. Rural counties in Oregon with a higher proportion of farm employment are growing more quickly than other counties.

Figure 5. Rural Population Growth by Level of Agricultural Employment, 1990 to 1999.



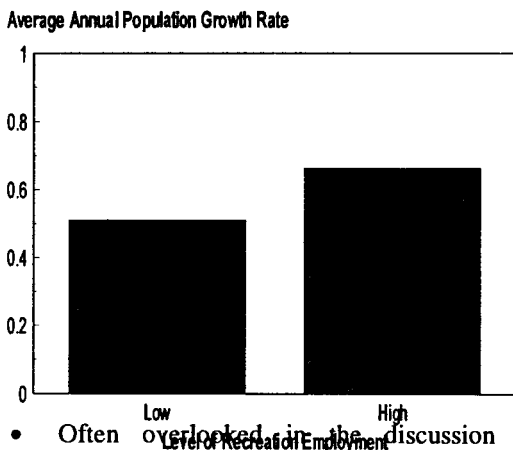
- Forestry makes important contributions to Oregon's economy. But a decreasing share of workers is employed in the timber industry. Twelve counties reported 3 percent or more of their workers in forestry in the 1990 census. The twelve timber counties have grown by only 3.1 percent in the 1990s, much less than the 6.6 percent growth experienced by other counties (see Figure 6).

Figure 6. Rural Population Growth by Level of Forestry Employment, 1990 to 1999.



- Among the most appealing destinations for rural in-migrants in recent decades have been "recreational" counties. These counties are noted for their forests, mountains, and coasts. Many of Oregon's rural counties have the potential for increased "recreational" fame. Based on 1990 census data, seven counties had two percent of more of their workers in the category of "recreational industry": Clatsop, Curry, Deschutes, Hood River, Lincoln, Willowa, and Wheeler. The seven counties with greater recreational employment experienced 6.1 percent growth between 1990 and 1999, compared with 4.7 percent growth for other counties (see Figure 7). Recreational counties have been growing faster than other Oregon rural counties.

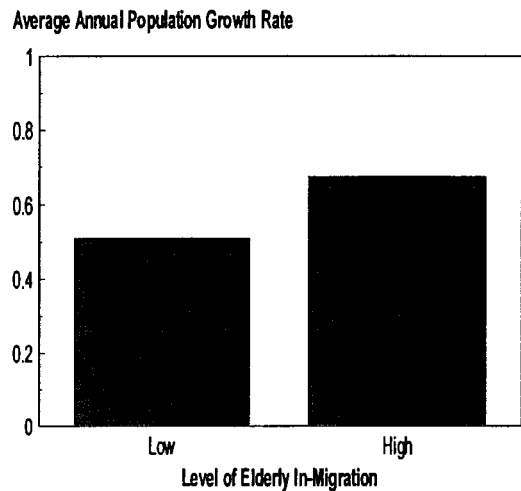
Figure 7. Rural Population Growth by Level of Recreation Employment, 1990 to 1999.



- Often overlooked in the discussion of growing rural counties is the influx of

retirees and seasonal residents who create jobs for local residents as well. Six rural counties had five-year in-migration rates for the elderly of 10 percent or greater, according to 1990 census data: Coos, Curry, Deschutes, Douglas, Josephine, and Lincoln. Counties with greater elderly in-migration grew by 6.2 percent in the 1990s compared with 4.7 percent growth for other counties (see Figure 8).

Figure 8. Rural Population Growth by Level of Elderly In-Migration, 1990 to 1999.



To summarize, population growth has been more rapid in the 1990s for rural counties that have greater manufacturing, agriculture, and recreational employment or that have higher levels of elderly in-migration. Access to a freeway does not appear to be related to recent county population growth. On the other hand, counties with lower rates of population growth have greater employment in the mining and timber industries.

If the above factors are taken into account for individual counties, they help to understand some of the patterns of recent population growth. Deschutes, Hood River, Jefferson, Josephine, and Wheeler, for examples, are characterized by having at least two of the "positive" factors noted above and none of the "negative" factors. Each of these five counties grew faster than the Oregon average for the 1990s, with Deschutes County growing more than twice as fast as the state population.

Rural counties with a mix of positive and negative factors have tended to grow more

slowly than the state average. Even with a mixture of factors, however, Crook (with higher employment levels in manufacturing, agriculture, and forestry), Gilliam (with agriculture), Malheur (with mining and agriculture), Morrow (with mining and agriculture) had population growth rates that were greater than the state average.

The three counties with a preponderance of "negative" factors -- Baker, Grant, and Union -- experienced modest levels of population growth in the 1990s.

Will Rebound Continue

Local governments in nonmetropolitan areas face the challenge of significant population fluctuations. A changing population presents greater fiscal problems than more stable populations. A population decline reduces revenue sources and is associated with a weaker demand for roads, schools, sewers, emergency services, and the myriad other things required for a growing population. A population surge is likely to accelerate the demand for new services and the replacement of aging infrastructure, yet the cost of such improvements often exceeds the short-term revenue gains. Recent population swings have greatly complicated the planning process for rural counties. Long-term planning requires some confidence about future population trends. Yet, for several counties, the population trends for the 1970s, 1980s, and 1990s have varied markedly.

Despite the overall rebound in population, some rural areas continue to lose residents to metropolitan areas. In these rural areas, long-term population loss can cause a debilitating pessimism that may stymie programs and policies to increase economic development and stimulate future population growth.

In contrast, rural areas and small towns experiencing renewed population growth often find that newcomers bring economic and technical expertise as well as energy and enthusiasm needed to reinvigorate communities. While long-term residents may welcome the eagerness and dynamism of the new arrivals, others may fear the loss of "their rural way of life."

Some rural counties are already beginning to see increased traffic congestion, such as Bend. It is

inevitable that newcomers will change the local community. A rapid increase of new arrivals will increase demands for new services, such as medical clinics and hospitals, municipal sewage systems, and an expansion of police and fire departments.

The rural rebound may continue for some time in Oregon, but the revival is likely to continue to be uneven both geographically and over time. Because rural populations no longer enjoy a higher number of births, its demographic prospects in coming decades depends more than ever on the course of migration. This links the fate of rural areas more tightly to economic and social forces -- the factors that influence the decisions that people and businesses make about where they want to locate.

We need to look only back at population changes in Oregon in the 1980s to be reminded that population growth is not even. Even now, the demographic trends for Oregon have witnessed annual fluctuations, albeit without the population losses experienced by the state in the 1980s.

Oregon's rural population has changed substantially in recent decades. The population losses and economic decline that made the future seem somewhat bleak and inevitable only a few short decades ago seem to have ended. The greatest challenge facing rural communities may well be that of incorporating new residents and employers while preserving as much of the rural character as possible. Although coping with growth is sometimes as daunting as dealing with decline, most people and most communities would seem to welcome the challenge.