

Solano County Census Data

1860-2020

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I. Overview

The Metropolitan Transportation Commission (MTC) is the transportation planning, financing, and coordinating agency for the nine-county San Francisco Bay Area. As a Metropolitan Planning Organization, MTC supports the region's network of streets, roads, highways, public transit systems, airports, and other transportation resources, including the movement of goods through ports and freight rail lines. MTC works with cities and counties to establish short- and long-term goals and provides resources to help them reach these goals.

Census data is a valuable information resource used to inform decision making by MTC as well as other public agencies, businesses, and individuals. This compilation has been created to provide easy access to this historical data for the Bay Area.

Sources:

[California Department of Finance Research](#), Census 1950-1990, Census 2000 SF1, SF3, DP1-DP4, Census 2010 DP-1, American Community Survey 2006-2010, Census 2020 PL 94-171

II. 1860-1940

1860 Census	
TOTAL POPULATION	7,169
1870 Census	
TOTAL POPULATION	16,871
1880 Census	
TOTAL POPULATION	18,475
1890 Census	
TOTAL POPULATION	20,946
1900 Census	
TOTAL POPULATION	24,143
1910 Census	
TOTAL POPULATION	27,559
1920 Census	
TOTAL POPULATION	40,602
1930 Census	
TOTAL POPULATION	40,834
1940 Census	
TOTAL POPULATION	49,118

III. 1950

1950 Census

TOTAL POPULATION	104,833	100.0%
RACE		
Native white	90,058	85.9%
Foreign-born white	5,888	5.6%
Negro	6,604	6.3%
Other races	2,283	2.2%
Indians	84	0.1%
Japanese	321	0.3%
Chinese	516	0.5%
WHITE PERSONS OF SPANISH SURNAME	3,848	3.7%
SEX		
Male	56,556	53.9%
Female	48,277	46.1%
AGE		
Under 5 years	13,524	12.9%
5 to 17 years	18,711	17.8%
18 to 64 years	67,474	64.4%
65 years and over	5,124	4.9%
Median age	27.9	X
HOUSEHOLDS		
Total household	30,365	100.0%
Persons per household	3.16	X
HOUSING OCCUPANCY		
All dwelling units	33,007	100.0%
Occupied dwelling units	30,449	92.3%
Owner occupied	12,902	42.4%
Renter occupied	17,547	57.6%
Vacant	2,455	7.4%
Median value of 1-unit structures dollars	8,723	X
Median gross rent dollars	37	X
INCOME IN 1949		
Families median income dollars	3,648	X

YEARS OF SCHOOL COMPLETED

Population 25 years and over	59,580	100.0%
High school 4 years	16,880	28.3%
College 4 years or more	3,275	5.5%

MAJOR OCCUPATION GROUP

Employed	32,248	100.0%
Professional, technical, and kindred	2,602	8.1%
Farmers and farm managers	1,006	3.1%
Managers, officials, and propr's exc. farm	2,519	7.8%
Clerical and kindred	3,820	11.8%
Sales	2,025	6.3%
Craftsmen, foremen, and kindred	7,587	23.5%
Operatives and kindred	4,817	14.9%
Private household workers	650	2.0%
Service workers, except private household	2,900	9.0%
Farm laborers	1,763	5.5%
Laborers, except farm and mine	2,116	6.6%
Occupation not reported	443	1.4%

IV. 1960

1960 Census

TOTAL POPULATION	134,597	100.0%
In households	125,884	93.5%
In group quarters	8,713	6.5%
RACE		
White	117,863	87.6%
Negro	12,741	9.5%
Other races	295	0.2%
Indian	208	0.2%
Japanese	783	0.6%
Chinese	813	0.6%
Filipino	1,894	1.4%
WHITE, SPANISH SURNAME	7,561	5.6%
SEX		
Male	71,078	52.8%
Female	63,519	47.2%
AGE		
Under 5 years	17,001	12.6%
5 to 17 years	32,297	24.0%
18 to 64 years	77,379	57.5%
65 years and over	7,920	5.9%
Median age	26.4	X
HOUSEHOLDS		
Families	33,234	100.0%
With own children under 18	20,624	62.1%
Population per household	3.27	X
HOUSING OCCUPANCY		
All housing units	41,895	100.0%
All occupied units	38,454	91.8%
Owner occupied	22,059	57.4%
Renter occupied	16,395	42.6%
Vacant	3,441	8.2%
Median value dollars	12,400	X
Median gross rent dollars	73	X

PLACE OF BIRTH		
Native	126,566	94.0%
Foreign born	8,030	6.0%
INCOME IN 1959		
Families median income dollars	6,140	X
YEARS OF SCHOOL COMPLETED		
Population 25 years and over	69,888	100.0%
High school 4 years	22,096	31.6%
College 4 years or more	4,564	6.5%
MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK		
All workers	49,015	100.0%
Private automobile or car pool	37,018	75.5%
Railroad, subway or elevated	0	0.0%
Bus or streetcar	1,099	2.2%
Walked to work	4,644	9.5%
Other means	1,346	2.7%
Worked at home	3,062	6.2%
Not reported	1,846	3.8%
OCCUPATION		
Employed	38,038	100.0%
Professional, technical, and kindred	4,255	11.2%
Farmers and farm managers	846	2.2%
Managers, officials, and propr's exc. farm	3,179	8.4%
Clerical and kindred	5,844	15.4%
Sales	2,286	6.0%
Craftsmen, foremen, and kindred	7,013	18.4%
Operatives and kindred	4,662	12.3%
Private household workers	969	2.5%
Service workers, except private household	3,845	10.1%
Farm laborers and farm foremen	1,066	2.8%
Laborers, except farm and mine	1,969	5.2%
Occupation not reported	2,104	5.5%
CLASS OF WORKER		
Self-employed	3,765	9.9%

V. 1970

1970 Census

TOTAL POPULATION	169,941	100.0%
RACE		
White	144,864	85.2%
Negro	16,656	9.8%
Indian	1,048	0.6%
Japanese	1,116	0.7%
Chinese	770	0.5%
Filipino	3,363	2.0%
All other	2,124	1.2%
PERSONS OF SPANISH ORIGIN OR DESCENT	9,789	5.8%
SEX		
Male	87,502	51.5%
Female	82,439	48.5%
AGE		
Under 5 years	15,396	9.1%
5 to 19 years	50,679	29.8%
20 to 64 years	92,452	54.4%
65 years and over	11,414	6.7%
Median age	24.8	X
HOUSEHOLDS		
Head of household	51,120	100.0%
Families	42,412	83.0%
With own children under 18 years	24,774	48.5%
Persons per household	3.14	X
INCOME AND POVERTY IN 1969		
Income of families and unrelated individuals	9,880	X
Income of persons	3,094	X
Less than poverty level		11.4%
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE		
Employed	50,128	100.0%

VI. 1980

1980 Census

TOTAL POPULATION	235,203	100.0%
RACE		
White	176,064	74.9%
Black	27,690	11.8%
American Indian, Eskimo, and Aleut	2,406	1.0%
Eskimo	15	0.0%
Aleut	0	0.0%
Asian and Pacific Islander	17,899	7.6%
Japanese	2,199	0.9%
Chinese	1,184	0.5%
Filipino	10,916	4.6%
Korean	518	0.2%
Asian Indian	515	0.2%
Vietnamese	474	0.2%
Hawaiian	402	0.2%
Samoan	32	0.0%
Guamanian	1,196	0.5%
Other Asian and Pacific Islander	463	0.2%
Race, n.e.c.	11,144	4.7%
SPANISH ORIGIN	24,699	10.5%
SEX		
Male	119,200	50.7%
Female	116,003	49.3%
AGE		
Under 5 years	20,061	8.5%
5 to 19 years	60,151	25.6%
20 to 64 years	137,262	58.4%
65 years and over	17,729	7.5%
Median age	28.0	X
HOUSEHOLDS		
Total households	80,602	100.0%
Families	61,696	76.5%
With own children under 18 years	35,855	44.5%
Persons per household	2.82	X
Persons per family	3.25	X

INCOME AND POVERTY IN 1979

Median household income	19,264	X
Median family income	21,606	X
Per capita income	7,407	X
Below poverty level		9.4%

COMMUTING TO WORK

Mean travel time to work (minutes)	22.2	X
Mean travel time to work for workers traveling 45 or more minutes	58.6	X

MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK

Workers 16 years and over	100,011	100.0%
Private vehicle	88,882	88.9%
Drive alone car	54,890	54.9%
Drive alone truck or van	10,760	10.8%
Carpool car	19,331	19.3%
Carpool truck or van	3,901	3.9%
Public transportation	1,879	1.9%
Bus or streetcar	1,560	1.6%
Subway or elevated train	100	0.1%
Railroad	39	0.0%
Taxicab	180	0.2%
Motorcycle	1,564	1.6%
Bicycle	1,208	1.2%
Walked only	4,298	4.3%
Other means	827	0.8%
Worked at home	1,353	1.4%

CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE

Employed	90,279	100.0%
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VII. 1990

1990 Census

TOTAL POPULATION	340,421	100.0%
RACE		
White	227,212	66.7%
Black	46,063	13.5%
American Indian, Eskimo, or Aleut	3,420	1.0%
Eskimo	35	0.0%
Aleut	21	0.0%
Asian or Pacific Islander	43,463	12.8%
Asian	40,733	12.0%
Japanese	2,923	0.9%
Chinese	3,178	0.9%
Filipino	28,958	8.5%
Korean	1,036	0.3%
Asian Indian	1,899	0.6%
Vietnamese	716	0.2%
Cambodian	45	0.0%
Hmong	0	0.0%
Laotian	781	0.2%
Thai	277	0.1%
Other Asian	920	0.3%
Pacific Islander	2,730	0.8%
Polynesian	1,188	0.3%
Hawaiian	1,005	0.3%
Samoan	168	0.0%
Tongan	10	0.0%
Other Polynesian	5	0.0%
Micronesian -- Guamanian	1,424	0.4%
Micronesian -- Other	7	0.0%
Melanesian	82	0.0%
Pacific Islander Not Specified	29	0.0%
Other Race	20,263	6.0%
TOTAL HISPANIC	43,890	12.9%
SEX		
Male	174,367	51.2%
Female	166,054	48.8%

AGE		
Under 5 years	29,652	8.7%
5 to 17 years	67,889	19.9%
18 to 64 years	215,001	63.2%
65 years and over	27,879	8.2%
Median age	31.0	X
HOUSEHOLDS		
Households	113,637	100.0%
Total families	86,962	76.5%
With own children under 18 years	48,430	42.6%
Persons per household	2.87	X
Persons per family	3.28	X
INCOME AND POVERTY IN 1989		
Median household income	39,113	X
Median family income	42,392	X
Per capita income	24,122	X
Below poverty level		7.2%
COMMUTING TO WORK		
Mean minutes traveled to work	28.2	X
MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK		
Workers 16 years and over	158,713	100.0%
Car, truck, or van	143,553	90.4%
Drove alone	114,233	72.0%
Carpooled	29,320	18.5%
Public transportation	3,604	2.3%
Bus or trolley bus	2,271	1.4%
Streetcar or trolley car	24	0.0%
Subway or elevated	724	0.5%
Railroad	65	0.0%
Ferryboat	360	0.2%
Taxicab	160	0.1%
Motorcycle	965	0.6%
Bicycle	1,187	0.7%
Walked	3,916	2.5%
Other means	1,308	0.8%
Working at home	4,180	2.6%
CIVILIAN LABOR FORCE		
Employed	151,310	100.0%

VIII. 2000

Census 2000

TOTAL POPULATION	394,542	100.0%
In households	378,568	96.0%
In group quarters	15,974	4.0%
RACE		
White	222,387	56.4%
Black or African American	58,827	14.9%
American Indian and Alaska Native	3,110	0.8%
Asian	50,299	12.7%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	3,078	0.8%
Some other race	31,612	8.0%
Two or more races	25,229	6.4%
HISPANIC OR LATINO AND RACE		
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	69,598	17.6%
Not Hispanic or Latino	324,944	82.4%
White	194,282	49.2%
Black or African American	57,597	14.6%
American Indian and Alaska Native	2,194	0.6%
Asian	49,399	12.5%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	2,859	0.7%
Some other race	955	0.2%
Two or more races	17,658	4.5%
SEX		
Male	198,694	50.4%
Female	195,848	49.6%
AGE		
Under 5 years	28,694	7.3%
5 to 17 years	83,068	21.0%
18 to 64 years	245,264	62.2%
65 years and over	37,426	9.5%
Median age	33.9	X

HOUSEHOLDS		
Total households	130,403	100.0%
Family households	97,375	74.4%
Families with children under 18	52,044	39.9%
Average household size	2.90	X
Average family size	3.33	X
HOUSING OCCUPANCY		
Total housing units	134,513	100.0%
Occupied housing units	130,403	96.9%
Owner-occupied housing units	84,994	65.2%
Renter-occupied housing units	45,409	34.8%
Vacant housing units	4,110	3.1%
1 unit, detached housing	95,378	70.9%
Median value owner occupied unit (dollars)	178,300	X
Median gross rent (dollars)	797	X
PLACE OF BIRTH BY CITIZENSHIP STATUS		
Native	328,046	83.1%
Foreign born	66,496	16.9%
Naturalized citizen	35,301	8.9%
Not a citizen	31,195	7.9%
INCOME AND POVERTY IN 1999		
Median household income (dollars)	54,099	X
Median family income (dollars)	60,597	X
Per capita income (dollars)	21,731	X
Individuals in poverty	31,344	8.3%
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT		
Population 25 and over	246,488	100.0%
High school graduate	60,367	24.5%
Bachelor's degree	37,130	15.1%
Graduate or professional degree	15,585	6.3%
COMMUTING TO WORK		
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	31.8	X

MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK FOR WORKERS 16 YEARS AND OVER

Total	174,571	100.0%
Car, truck, or van:	158,869	91.0%
Drove alone	127,896	73.3%
Carpooled	30,973	17.7%
Public transportation	4,662	2.7%
Bus or trolley bus	2,523	1.4%
Streetcar or trolley car	32	0.0%
Subway or elevated	943	0.5%
Railroad	176	0.1%
Ferryboat	864	0.5%
Taxicab	124	0.1%
Motorcycle	472	0.3%
Bicycle	803	0.5%
Walked	2,784	1.6%
Other means	1,540	0.9%
Worked at home	5,441	3.1%

LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT BY OCCUPATION

Employed civilian population 16 years and over	172,355	100.0%
Management, professional and related	53,326	30.9%
Service	28,231	16.4%
Sales and office	48,318	28.0%
Farming, fishing & forestry	1,099	0.6%
Construction, extraction, and maintenance	18,896	11.0%
Production, transportation, and material moving	22,485	13.0%

CLASS OF WORKER

Self-employed workers	10,366	6.0%
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IX. 2010

Census 2010

TOTAL POPULATION	413,344	100.0%
In households	400,892	97.0%
In group quarters	12,452	3.0%
RACE		
White	210,751	51.0%
Black or African American	60,750	14.7%
American Indian and Alaska Native	3,212	0.8%
Asian	60,473	14.6%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	3,564	0.9%
Some other race	43,236	10.5%
Two or more races	31,358	7.6%
HISPANIC OR LATINO AND RACE		
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	99,356	24.0%
Not Hispanic or Latino	313,988	76.0%
White	168,628	40.8%
Black or African American	58,743	14.2%
American Indian and Alaska Native	1,864	0.5%
Asian	59,027	14.3%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	3,243	0.8%
Some other race	1,463	0.4%
Two or more races	21,020	5.1%
SEX		
Male	206,195	49.9%
Female	207,149	50.1%
AGE		
Under 5 years	26,852	6.5%
5 to 17 years	74,683	18.1%
18 to 64 years	264,962	64.1%
65 years and over	46,847	11.3%
Median age	36.9	X

HOUSEHOLDS

Total households	141,758	100.0%
Family households	101,989	71.9%
Families with children under 18	47,269	33.3%
Average household size	2.83	X
Average family size	3.30	X

HOUSING OCCUPANCY

Total housing units	152,698	100.0%
Occupied housing units	141,758	92.8%
Owner-occupied housing units	89,648	63.2%
Renter-occupied housing units	52,110	36.8%
Vacant housing units	10,940	7.2%

X. 2010 American Community Survey

2006-2010 American Community Survey

TOTAL POPULATION	410,042	100.0%
HOUSING OCCUPANCY		
Total housing units	151,616	100.0%
Occupied housing units	139,011	91.7%
Owner-occupied housing units	91,447	65.8%
Renter-occupied housing units	47,564	34.2%
Vacant housing units	12,605	8.3%
1 unit, detached housing	108,145	71.3%
Median value owner occupied unit (dollars)	389,800	X
Median gross rent (dollars)	1,195	X
PLACE OF BIRTH BY CITIZENSHIP STATUS		
Native	328,413	80.1%
Foreign born	81,629	19.9%
Naturalized citizen	41,538	10.1%
Not a citizen	40,091	9.8%
INCOME AND POVERTY IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS		
Median household income (dollars)	68,409	X
Median family income (dollars)	77,321	X
Per capita income (dollars)	28,649	X
Individuals in poverty	41,158	10.4%
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT		
Population 25 and over	266,344	100.0%
High school graduate		24.5%
Bachelor's degree		16.7%
Graduate or professional degree		7.3%
COMMUTING TO WORK		
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	29.5	X

MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK FOR WORKERS 16 YEARS AND OVER

Total	184,338	100.0%
Car, truck, or van:	167,791	91.0%
Drove alone	140,087	76.0%
Carpooled	27,704	15.0%
Public transportation	4,823	2.6%
Bus or trolley bus	2,663	1.4%
Streetcar or trolley car	60	0.0%
Subway or elevated	827	0.4%
Railroad	426	0.2%
Ferryboat	847	0.5%
Taxicab	133	0.1%
Motorcycle	559	0.3%
Bicycle	539	0.3%
Walked	2,909	1.6%
Other means	1,337	0.7%
Worked at home	6,247	3.4%

LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT BY OCCUPATION

Employed civilian population 16 years and over	185,585	100.0%
Management, professional and related	60,953	32.8%
Service	34,443	18.6%
Sales and office	49,464	26.7%
Farming, fishing & forestry		Included in following category
Construction, extraction, and maintenance	20,379	11.0%
Production, transportation, and material moving	20,346	11.0%

CLASS OF WORKER

Self-employed workers	12,171	6.6%
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XI. 2020

Census 2020

TOTAL POPULATION	453,491	100.0%
In households	442,354	97.5%
In group quarters	11,137	2.5%
RACE		
Population of one race:	387,034	85.3%
White alone	175,768	38.8%
Black or African American alone	62,157	13.7%
American Indian and Alaska Native alone	5,388	1.2%
Asian alone	72,766	16.0%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone	4,162	0.9%
Some Other Race alone	66,793	14.7%
Population of two races	59,170	13.0%
Population of three races	6,381	1.4%
Population of four races	806	0.2%
Population of five races	89	0.0%
Population of six races	11	0.0%
HISPANIC OR LATINO		
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	128,155	28.3%
HOUSING OCCUPANCY		
Total housing units	162,237	100.0%
Occupied housing units	155,924	96.1%
Vacant housing units	6,313	3.9%