

**City of Half Moon Bay  
San Mateo County  
Census Data  
1950-2020**

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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. 1950

### 1950 Census

TOTAL POPULATION	1,168	100.0%
RACE		
Native white	970	83.0%
Foreign-born white	177	15.2%
Negro	1	0.1%
Other races	20	1.7%
SEX		
Male	605	51.8%
Female	563	48.2%
AGE		
Under 5 years	122	10.4%
5 to 64 years	953	81.6%
65 years and over	93	8.0%
HOUSING OCCUPANCY		
All dwelling units	393	100.0%
Occupied dwelling units	365	92.9%
Owner occupied	227	62.2%
Renter occupied	138	37.8%
Vacant	28	7.1%
Average value of 1-unit structures dollars	8,898	X
Average contract rent dollars	41	X

### III. 1960

#### 1960 Census

TOTAL POPULATION	1,957	100.0%
In households	1,950	99.6%
RACE		
White	1,906	97.4%
Negro	13	0.7%
Other races	38	1.9%
SEX		
Male	977	49.9%
Female	980	50.1%
AGE		
Under 5 years	256	13.1%
5 to 64 years	1,494	76.3%
65 years and over	207	10.6%
HOUSING OCCUPANCY		
All housing units	667	100.0%
All occupied units	602	90.3%
Owner occupied	410	68.1%
Renter occupied	192	31.9%
Average value dollars	14,000	X

#### IV. 1970

##### 1970 Census

TOTAL POPULATION	4,023	100.0%
RACE		
White	3,905	97.1%
Negro	19	0.5%
Indian	20	0.5%
Japanese	20	0.5%
Chinese	0	0.0%
Filipino	30	0.7%
All other	29	0.7%
SEX		
Male	2,017	50.1%
Female	2,006	49.9%
AGE		
Under 5 years	373	9.3%
5 to 19 years	1,193	29.7%
20 to 64 years	2,125	52.8%
65 years and over	332	8.3%
HOUSEHOLDS		
Head of household	1,253	100.0%
Families	981	78.3%
Persons per household	3.21	X
INCOME AND POVERTY IN 1969		
Income of families and unrelated individuals	11,376	X
Income of persons	3,252	X
Less than poverty level		8.2%

**V. 1980**

**1980 Census**

TOTAL POPULATION	7,282	100.0%
RACE		
White	6,674	91.7%
Black	113	1.6%
American Indian, Eskimo, and Aleut	13	0.2%
Eskimo	0	0.0%
Aleut	0	0.0%
Asian and Pacific Islander	248	3.4%
Japanese	55	0.8%
Chinese	11	0.2%
Filipino	169	2.3%
Korean	0	0.0%
Asian Indian	0	0.0%
Vietnamese	0	0.0%
Hawaiian	13	0.2%
Samoan	0	0.0%
Guamanian	0	0.0%
Other Asian and Pacific Islander	0	0.0%
Race, n.e.c.	234	3.2%
SPANISH ORIGIN	775	10.6%
AGE		
Median age	32.2	X
HOUSEHOLDS		
Total households	2,609	100.0%
Families	1,995	76.5%
With own children under 18 years	1,068	40.9%
Persons per household	2.79	X
INCOME AND POVERTY IN 1979		
Median household income	25,467	X
Median family income	28,072	X
Per capita income	9,857	X
Below poverty level		6.9%
COMMUTING TO WORK		
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	26.0	X

## MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK

Workers 16 years and over	3,699	100.0%
Private vehicle	3,348	90.5%
Drive alone	2,412	65.2%
Carpool	936	25.3%
Public transportation	42	1.1%
Walked only	194	5.2%
Other means	67	1.8%
Worked at home	48	1.3%

## VI. 1990

### 1990 Census

TOTAL POPULATION	8,886	100.0%
RACE		
White	8,110	91.3%
Black	28	0.3%
American Indian, Eskimo, or Aleut	16	0.2%
Eskimo	5	0.1%
Aleut	0	0.0%
Asian or Pacific Islander	354	4.0%
Asian	354	4.0%
Japanese	45	0.5%
Chinese	22	0.2%
Filipino	281	3.2%
Korean	6	0.1%
Asian Indian	0	0.0%
Vietnamese	0	0.0%
Cambodian	0	0.0%
Hmong	0	0.0%
Laotian	0	0.0%
Thai	0	0.0%
Other Asian	0	0.0%
Pacific Islander	0	0.0%
Polynesian	0	0.0%
Hawaiian	0	0.0%
Samoan	0	0.0%
Tongan	0	0.0%
Other Polynesian	0	0.0%
Micronesian -- Guamanian	0	0.0%
Micronesian -- Other	0	0.0%
Melanesian	0	0.0%
Pacific Islander Not Specified	0	0.0%
Other Race	378	4.3%
TOTAL HISPANIC	1,966	22.1%
SEX		
Male	4,431	49.9%
Female	4,455	50.1%

AGE		
Under 5 years	654	7.4%
5 to 17 years	1,480	16.7%
18 to 64 years	5,930	66.7%
65 years and over	822	9.3%
Median age	35.0	X
HOUSEHOLDS		
Households	3,179	100.0%
Total families	2,247	70.7%
With own children under 18 years	1,028	32.3%
Persons per household	2.78	X
Persons per family	3.30	X
INCOME AND POVERTY IN 1989		
Median household income	54,762	X
Median family income	61,315	X
Per capita income	22,302	X
Below poverty level		3.9%
COMMUTING TO WORK		
Mean minutes traveled to work	25.5	X
MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK		
Workers 16 years and over	5,074	100.0%
Car, truck, or van	4,532	89.3%
Drove alone	3,695	72.8%
Carpooled	837	16.5%
Public transportation	106	2.1%
Bus or trolley bus	69	1.4%
Streetcar or trolley car	0	0.0%
Subway or elevated	20	0.4%
Railroad	8	0.2%
Ferryboat	0	0.0%
Taxicab	9	0.2%
Motorcycle	0	0.0%
Bicycle	20	0.4%
Walked	107	2.1%
Other means	71	1.4%
Working at home	238	4.7%

## VII. 2000

### Census 2000

TOTAL POPULATION	11,842	100.0%
In households	10,994	92.8%
In group quarters	848	7.2%
RACE		
White	9,150	77.3%
Black or African American	460	3.9%
American Indian and Alaska Native	52	0.4%
Asian	402	3.4%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	14	0.1%
Some other race	1,307	11.0%
Two or more races	454	3.8%
HISPANIC OR LATINO AND RACE		
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	2,751	23.2%
Not Hispanic or Latino	9,091	76.8%
White	7,882	66.6%
Black or African American	448	3.8%
American Indian and Alaska Native	28	0.2%
Asian	391	3.3%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	14	0.1%
Some other race	21	0.2%
Two or more races	307	2.6%
SEX		
Male	6,277	53.0%
Female	5,565	47.0%
AGE		
Under 5 years	699	5.9%
5 to 17 years	1,928	16.3%
18 to 64 years	8,078	68.2%
65 years and over	1,137	9.6%
Median age	38.7	X

HOUSEHOLDS		
Total households	4,004	100.0%
Family households	2,773	69.3%
Families with children under 18	1,239	30.9%
Average household size	2.75	X
Average family size	3.20	X
HOUSING OCCUPANCY		
Total housing units	4,114	100.0%
Occupied housing units	4,004	97.3%
Owner-occupied housing units	3,021	75.4%
Renter-occupied housing units	983	24.6%
Vacant housing units	110	2.7%
1 unit, detached housing	2,597	62.6%
Median value owner occupied unit (dollars)	499,500	X
Median gross rent (dollars)	1,269	X
PLACE OF BIRTH BY CITIZENSHIP STATUS		
Native	9,085	75.9%
Foreign born	2,890	24.1%
Naturalized citizen	986	8.2%
Not a citizen	1,904	15.9%
INCOME AND POVERTY IN 1999		
Median household income (dollars)	78,473	X
Median family income (dollars)	92,204	X
Per capita income (dollars)	37,963	X
Individuals in poverty	683	6.1%
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT		
Population 25 and over	8,397	100.0%
High school graduate	1,273	15.2%
Bachelor's degree	1,861	22.2%
Graduate or professional degree	1,123	13.4%
COMMUTING TO WORK		
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	30.6	X

MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK FOR WORKERS 16 YEARS AND OVER

Total	5,849	100.0%
Car, truck, or van:	5,102	87.2%
Drove alone	4,271	73.0%
Carpooled	831	14.2%
Public transportation	96	1.6%
Bus or trolley bus	84	1.4%
Streetcar or trolley car	0	0.0%
Subway or elevated	12	0.2%
Railroad	0	0.0%
Ferryboat	0	0.0%
Taxicab	0	0.0%
Motorcycle	10	0.2%
Bicycle	89	1.5%
Walked	184	3.1%
Other means	30	0.5%
Worked at home	338	5.8%

LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT BY OCCUPATION

Employed civilian population 16 years and over	6,005	100.0%
Management, professional and related	2,596	43.2%
Service	885	14.7%
Sales and office	1,396	23.2%
Farming, fishing & forestry	230	3.8%
Construction, extraction, and maintenance	488	8.1%
Production, transportation, and material moving	410	6.8%

CLASS OF WORKER

Self-employed workers	619	10.3%
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## VIII. 2010

### Census 2010

TOTAL POPULATION	11,324	100.0%
In households	11,306	99.8%
In group quarters	18	0.2%
RACE		
White	8,580	75.8%
Black or African American	82	0.7%
American Indian and Alaska Native	71	0.6%
Asian	490	4.3%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	9	0.1%
Some other race	1,170	15.1%
Two or more races	382	3.4%
HISPANIC OR LATINO AND RACE		
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	3,563	31.5%
Not Hispanic or Latino	7,761	68.5%
White	6,977	61.6%
Black or African American	65	0.6%
American Indian and Alaska Native	20	0.2%
Asian	472	4.2%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	8	0.1%
Some other race	10	0.1%
Two or more races	209	1.8%
SEX		
Male	5,521	48.8%
Female	5,803	51.2%
AGE		
Under 5 years	717	6.3%
5 to 17 years	1,816	16.0%
18 to 64 years	7,027	62.1%
65 years and over	1,764	15.6%
Median age	43.2	X

## HOUSEHOLDS

Total households	4,149	100.0%
Family households	2,822	68.0%
Families with children under 18	1,156	27.9%
Average household size	2.72	X
Average family size	3.24	X

## HOUSING OCCUPANCY

Total housing units	4,395	100.0%
Occupied housing units	4,149	94.4%
Owner-occupied housing units	2,944	71.0%
Renter-occupied housing units	1,205	29.0%
Vacant housing units	246	5.6%

**IX. 2010 American Community Survey**

**2006-2010 American Community Survey**

TOTAL POPULATION	11,126	100.0%
<b>HOUSING OCCUPANCY</b>		
Total housing units	4,245	100.0%
Occupied housing units	4,124	97.1%
Owner-occupied housing units	3,047	73.9%
Renter-occupied housing units	1,077	26.1%
Vacant housing units	121	2.9%
1 unit, detached housing	2,659	62.6%
Median value owner occupied unit (dollars)	753,900	X
Median gross rent (dollars)	1,545	X
<b>PLACE OF BIRTH BY CITIZENSHIP STATUS</b>		
Native	8,569	77.0%
Foreign born	2,557	23.0%
Naturalized citizen	789	7.1%
Not a citizen	1,768	15.9%
<b>INCOME AND POVERTY IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS</b>		
Median household income (dollars)	92,875	X
Median family income (dollars)	114,107	X
Per capita income (dollars)	44,762	X
Individuals in poverty	722	6.5%
<b>EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT</b>		
Population 25 and over	7,959	100.0%
High school graduate		18.7%
Bachelor's degree		22.4%
Graduate or professional degree		17.8%
<b>COMMUTING TO WORK</b>		
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	26.7	X

MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK FOR WORKERS 16 YEARS AND OVER

Total	5,658	100.0%
Car, truck, or van:	4,789	84.6%
Drove alone	4,028	71.2%
Carpooled	761	13.4%
Public transportation	108	1.9%
Bus or trolley bus	54	1.0%
Streetcar or trolley car	22	0.4%
Subway or elevated	32	0.6%
Railroad	0	0.0%
Ferryboat	0	0.0%
Taxicab	0	0.0%
Motorcycle	10	0.2%
Bicycle	35	0.6%
Walked	199	3.5%
Other means	39	0.7%
Worked at home	478	8.4%

LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT BY OCCUPATION

Employed civilian population 16 years and over	5,712	100.0%
Management, professional and related	2,444	42.8%
Service	1,264	22.1%
Sales and office	978	17.1%
Farming, fishing & forestry		Included in following category
Construction, extraction, and maintenance	618	10.8%
Production, transportation, and material moving	408	7.1%

CLASS OF WORKER

Self-employed workers	709	12.4%
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**X. 2020**

**Census 2020**

TOTAL POPULATION	11,795	100.0%
In households	11,737	99.5%
In group quarters	58	0.5%
<b>RACE</b>		
Population of one race:	9,948	84.3%
White alone	7,371	62.5%
Black or African American alone	81	0.7%
American Indian and Alaska Native alone	92	0.8%
Asian alone	726	6.2%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone	16	0.1%
Some Other Race alone	1,662	14.1%
Population of two races	1,755	14.9%
Population of three races	87	0.7%
Population of four races	5	0.0%
Population of five races	0	0.0%
Population of six races	0	0.0%
<b>HISPANIC OR LATINO</b>		
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	3,504	29.7%
<b>HOUSING OCCUPANCY</b>		
Total housing units	4,833	100.0%
Occupied housing units	4,569	94.5%
Vacant housing units	264	5.5%