

**City of Lafayette
Contra Costa County
Census Data**

1960-2020

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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. 1960

1960 Census

TOTAL POPULATION	7,114	100.0%
In households	7,073	99.4%
RACE		
White	7,086	99.6%
Negro	7	0.1%
Other races	21	0.3%
SEX		
Male	3,431	48.2%
Female	3,683	51.8%
AGE		
Under 5 years	622	8.7%
5 to 17 years	1,982	27.9%
18 to 64 years	3,981	56.0%
65 years and over	529	7.4%
HOUSING OCCUPANCY		
All housing units	2,405	100.0%
All occupied units	2,285	95.0%
Owner occupied	1,612	70.5%
Renter occupied	673	29.5%
Vacant	120	5.0%
Median value dollars	22,500	X
Median gross rent dollars	108	X
PLACE OF BIRTH		
Native	6,724	94.5%
Foreign born	390	5.5%
INCOME IN 1959		
Families median income dollars	9,640	X
YEARS OF SCHOOL COMPLETED		
Population 25 years and over	4,218	100.0%
High school 4 years	1,174	27.8%
College 4 years or more	1,092	25.9%

OCCUPATION		
Employed	2,757	100.0%
Professional, technical, and kindred	701	25.4%
Farmers and farm managers	15	0.5%
Managers, officials, and propr's exc. farm	537	19.5%
Clerical and kindred	415	15.1%
Sales	429	15.6%
Craftsmen, foremen, and kindred	213	7.7%
Operatives and kindred	154	5.6%
Private household workers	45	1.6%
Service workers, except private household	152	5.5%
Farm laborers and farm foremen	0	0.0%
Laborers, except farm and mine	61	2.2%
Occupation not reported	35	1.3%

III. 1970

1970 Census

TOTAL POPULATION	20,484	100.0%
RACE		
White	20,284	99.0%
Negro	37	0.2%
Indian	19	0.1%
Japanese	52	0.3%
Chinese	42	0.2%
Filipino	14	0.1%
All other	36	0.2%
PERSONS OF SPANISH ORIGIN OR DESCENT	333	1.6%
SEX		
Male	10,058	49.1%
Female	10,426	50.9%
AGE		
Under 5 years	1,249	6.1%
5 to 19 years	6,345	31.0%
20 to 64 years	11,587	56.6%
65 years and over	1,303	6.4%
Median age	32.1	X
HOUSEHOLDS		
Head of household	6,504	100.0%
Families	5,632	86.6%
With own children under 18 years	3,260	50.1%
Persons per household	3.12	X
INCOME AND POVERTY IN 1969		
Income of families and unrelated individuals	15,162	X
Income of persons	5,768	X
Less than poverty level		3.8%

IV. 1980

1980 Census

TOTAL POPULATION	20,879	100.0%
RACE		
White	20,038	96.0%
Black	89	0.4%
American Indian, Eskimo, and Aleut	23	0.1%
Eskimo	0	0.0%
Aleut	0	0.0%
Asian and Pacific Islander	560	2.7%
Japanese	126	0.6%
Chinese	258	1.2%
Filipino	46	0.2%
Korean	75	0.4%
Asian Indian	45	0.2%
Vietnamese	6	0.0%
Hawaiian	0	0.0%
Samoan	4	0.0%
Guamanian	0	0.0%
Other Asian and Pacific Islander	0	0.0%
Race, n.e.c.	169	0.8%
SPANISH ORIGIN	550	2.6%
AGE		
Median age	35.9	X
HOUSEHOLDS		
Total households	7,822	100.0%
Families	5,754	73.6%
With own children under 18 years	2,802	35.8%
Persons per household	2.65	X
INCOME AND POVERTY IN 1979		
Median household income	31,993	X
Median family income	36,963	X
Per capita income	14,564	X
Below poverty level		2.9%
COMMUTING TO WORK		
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	27.8	X

MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK

Workers 16 years and over	10,269	100.0%
Private vehicle	8,212	80.0%
Drive alone car	6,141	59.8%
Drive alone truck or van	593	5.8%
Carpool car	1,278	12.4%
Carpool truck or van	200	1.9%
Public transportation	1,220	11.9%
Walked only	245	2.4%
Other means	258	2.5%
Worked at home	334	3.3%

V. 1990

1990 Census

TOTAL POPULATION	23,501	100.0%
RACE		
White	21,862	93.0%
Black	155	0.7%
American Indian, Eskimo, or Aleut	50	0.2%
Eskimo	0	0.0%
Aleut	0	0.0%
Asian or Pacific Islander	1,363	5.8%
Asian	1,335	5.7%
Japanese	343	1.5%
Chinese	507	2.2%
Filipino	95	0.4%
Korean	127	0.5%
Asian Indian	183	0.8%
Vietnamese	0	0.0%
Cambodian	0	0.0%
Hmong	0	0.0%
Laotian	0	0.0%
Thai	0	0.0%
Other Asian	80	0.3%
Pacific Islander	28	0.1%
Polynesian	28	0.1%
Hawaiian	28	0.1%
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	71	0.3%
TOTAL HISPANIC	845	3.6%
SEX		
Male	11,592	49.3%
Female	11,909	50.7%

AGE		
Under 5 years	1,372	5.8%
5 to 17 years	3,937	16.8%
18 to 64 years	14,985	63.8%
65 years and over	3,207	13.6%
Median age	40.1	X
HOUSEHOLDS		
Households	9,033	100.0%
Total families	6,797	75.2%
With own children under 18 years	2,990	33.1%
Persons per household	2.57	X
Persons per family	2.92	X
INCOME AND POVERTY IN 1989		
Median household income	64,806	X
Median family income	78,208	X
Per capita income	34,281	X
Below poverty level		4.1%
COMMUTING TO WORK		
Mean minutes traveled to work	27.7	X
MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK		
Workers 16 years and over	12,357	100.0%
Car, truck, or van	9,583	77.6%
Drove alone	8,443	68.3%
Carpooled	1,140	9.2%
Public transportation	1,445	11.7%
Bus or trolley bus	49	0.4%
Streetcar or trolley car	13	0.1%
Subway or elevated	1,205	9.8%
Railroad	170	1.4%
Ferryboat	0	0.0%
Taxicab	8	0.1%
Motorcycle	43	0.3%
Bicycle	50	0.4%
Walked	237	1.9%
Other means	119	1.0%
Working at home	880	7.1%

VI. 2000

Census 2000

TOTAL POPULATION	23,908	100.0%
In households	23,772	99.4%
In group quarters	136	0.6%
RACE		
White	20,754	86.8%
Black or African American	131	0.5%
American Indian and Alaska Native	53	0.2%
Asian	1,967	8.2%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	21	0.1%
Some other race	194	0.8%
Two or more races	788	3.3%
HISPANIC OR LATINO AND RACE		
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	945	4.0%
Not Hispanic or Latino	22,963	96.0%
White	20,123	84.2%
Black or African American	129	0.5%
American Indian and Alaska Native	39	0.2%
Asian	1,957	8.2%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	20	0.1%
Some other race	33	0.1%
Two or more races	662	2.8%
SEX		
Male	11,671	48.8%
Female	12,237	51.2%
AGE		
Under 5 years	1,308	5.5%
5 to 17 years	4,878	20.4%
18 to 64 years	14,275	59.7%
65 years and over	3,447	14.4%
Median age	42.3	X

HOUSEHOLDS		
Total households	9,152	100.0%
Family households	6,755	73.8%
Families with children under 18	3,323	36.3%
Average household size	2.60	X
Average family size	3.02	X
HOUSING OCCUPANCY		
Total housing units	9,334	100.0%
Occupied housing units	9,152	98.1%
Owner-occupied housing units	7,024	76.7%
Renter-occupied housing units	2,128	23.3%
Vacant housing units	182	1.9%
1 unit, detached housing	7,371	80.0%
Median value owner occupied unit (dollars)	583,000	X
Median gross rent (dollars)	1,076	X
PLACE OF BIRTH BY CITIZENSHIP STATUS		
Native	20,921	89.2%
Foreign born	2,542	10.8%
Naturalized citizen	1,447	6.2%
Not a citizen	1,095	4.7%
INCOME AND POVERTY IN 1999		
Median household income (dollars)	102,107	X
Median family income (dollars)	120,364	X
Per capita income (dollars)	54,319	X
Individuals in poverty	672	2.9%
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT		
Population 25 and over	16,627	100.0%
High school graduate	1,450	8.7%
Bachelor's degree	6,347	38.2%
Graduate or professional degree	4,955	29.8%
COMMUTING TO WORK		
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	30.2	X

MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK FOR WORKERS 16 YEARS AND OVER

Total	11,349	100.0%
Car, truck, or van:	8,771	77.3%
Drove alone	8,037	70.8%
Carpooled	734	6.5%
Public transportation	1,360	12.0%
Bus or trolley bus	42	0.4%
Streetcar or trolley car	9	0.1%
Subway or elevated	1,180	10.4%
Railroad	123	1.1%
Ferryboat	6	0.1%
Taxicab	0	0.0%
Motorcycle	15	0.1%
Bicycle	12	0.1%
Walked	125	1.1%
Other means	46	0.4%
Worked at home	1,020	9.0%

LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT BY OCCUPATION

Employed civilian population 16 years and over	11,592	100.0%
Management, professional and related	7,449	64.3%
Service	899	7.8%
Sales and office	2,332	20.1%
Farming, fishing & forestry	15	0.1%
Construction, extraction, and maintenance	483	4.2%
Production, transportation, and material moving	414	3.6%

CLASS OF WORKER

Self-employed workers	1,795	15.5%
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VII. 2010

Census 2010

TOTAL POPULATION	23,893	100.0%
In households	23,794	99.6%
In group quarters	99	0.4%
RACE		
White	20,232	84.7%
Black or African American	166	0.7%
American Indian and Alaska Native	66	0.3%
Asian	2,162	9.0%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	27	0.1%
Some other race	240	1.0%
Two or more races	1,000	4.2%
HISPANIC OR LATINO AND RACE		
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	1,388	5.8%
Not Hispanic or Latino	22,505	94.2%
White	19,246	80.6%
Black or African American	154	0.6%
American Indian and Alaska Native	41	0.2%
Asian	2,133	8.9%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	26	0.1%
Some other race	60	0.3%
Two or more races	845	3.5%
SEX		
Male	11,609	48.6%
Female	12,284	51.4%
AGE		
Under 5 years	1,179	4.9%
5 to 17 years	4,777	20.0%
18 to 64 years	13,965	58.4%
65 years and over	3,972	16.6%
Median age	45.2	X

HOUSEHOLDS

Total households	9,223	100.0%
Family households	6,795	73.7%
Families with children under 18	3,177	34.4%
Average household size	2.58	X
Average family size	3.01	X

HOUSING OCCUPANCY

Total housing units	9,651	100.0%
Occupied housing units	9,223	95.6%
Owner-occupied housing units	6,937	75.2%
Renter-occupied housing units	2,286	24.8%
Vacant housing units	428	4.4%

VIII. 2010 American Community Survey

2006-2010 American Community Survey

TOTAL POPULATION	23,769	100.0%
HOUSING OCCUPANCY		
Total housing units	9,170	100.0%
Occupied housing units	8,760	95.5%
Owner-occupied housing units	6,746	77.0%
Renter-occupied housing units	2,014	23.0%
Vacant housing units	410	4.5%
1 unit, detached housing	7,246	79.0%
Median value owner occupied unit (dollars)	1,000,000+	X
Median gross rent (dollars)	1,475	X
PLACE OF BIRTH BY CITIZENSHIP STATUS		
Native	20,834	87.7%
Foreign born	2,935	12.3%
Naturalized citizen	1,874	7.9%
Not a citizen	1,061	4.5%
INCOME AND POVERTY IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS		
Median household income (dollars)	134,000	X
Median family income (dollars)	158,300	X
Per capita income (dollars)	66,741	X
Individuals in poverty	537	2.3%
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT		
Population 25 and over	16,272	100.0%
High school graduate		7.4%
Bachelor's degree		41.8%
Graduate or professional degree		29.6%
COMMUTING TO WORK		
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	27.5	X

MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK FOR WORKERS 16 YEARS AND OVER

Total	10,478	100.0%
Car, truck, or van:	8,026	76.6%
Drove alone	7,155	68.3%
Carpooled	871	8.3%
Public transportation	1,188	11.3%
Bus or trolley bus	0	0.0%
Streetcar or trolley car	0	0.0%
Subway or elevated	907	8.7%
Railroad	281	2.7%
Ferryboat	0	0.0%
Taxicab	0	0.0%
Motorcycle	26	0.2%
Bicycle	75	0.7%
Walked	150	1.4%
Other means	26	0.2%
Worked at home	987	9.4%

LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT BY OCCUPATION

Employed civilian population 16 years and over	10,862	100.0%
Management, professional and related	7,147	65.8%
Service	840	7.7%
Sales and office	2,187	20.1%
Farming, fishing & forestry		Included in following category
Construction, extraction, and maintenance	432	4.0%
Production, transportation, and material moving	256	2.4%

CLASS OF WORKER

Self-employed workers	1,588	14.6%
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IX. 2020

Census 2020

TOTAL POPULATION	25,391	100.0%
In households	25,317	99.7%
In group quarters	74	0.3%
RACE		
Population of one race:	22,418	88.3%
White alone	18,489	72.8%
Black or African American alone	180	0.7%
American Indian and Alaska Native alone	58	0.2%
Asian alone	3,201	12.6%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone	28	0.1%
Some Other Race alone	462	1.8%
Population of two races	2,761	10.9%
Population of three races	187	0.7%
Population of four races	23	0.1%
Population of five races	2	0.0%
Population of six races	0	0.0%
HISPANIC OR LATINO		
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	2,075	8.2%
HOUSING OCCUPANCY		
Total housing units	9,999	100.0%
Occupied housing units	9,506	95.1%
Vacant housing units	493	4.9%