

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

1870-2020

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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. 1870-1940

1870 Census	
TOTAL POPULATION	560
1890 Census	
TOTAL POPULATION	1,600
1900 Census	
TOTAL POPULATION	1,380
1910 Census	
TOTAL POPULATION	2,115
1920 Census	
TOTAL POPULATION	3,858
1930 Census	
TOTAL POPULATION	6,569
1940 Census	
TOTAL POPULATION	7,381

III. 1950

1950 Census

TOTAL POPULATION	8,268	100.0%
RACE		
Native white	7,290	88.2%
Foreign-born white	868	10.5%
Negro	94	1.1%
Other races	16	0.2%
SEX		
Male	4,222	51.1%
Female	4,046	48.9%
AGE		
Under 5 years	728	8.8%
5 to 19 years	2,328	28.2%
20 to 64 years	3,731	45.1%
65 years and over	1,481	17.9%
HOUSING OCCUPANCY		
All dwelling units	2,782	100.0%
Occupied dwelling units	2,679	96.3%
Owner occupied	1,300	48.5%
Renter occupied	1,379	51.5%
Vacant	91	3.3%
Median value of 1-unit structures dollars	9,501	X
Median gross rent dollars	39	X
INCOME IN 1949		
Families median income dollars	3,720	X
YEARS OF SCHOOL COMPLETED		
Population 25 years and over	5,335	100.0%
High school 4 years	1,845	34.6%
College 4 years or more	445	8.3%

MAJOR OCCUPATION GROUP		
Employed	3,375	100.0%
Professional, technical, and kindred	444	13.2%
Farmers and farm managers	5	0.1%
Managers, officials, and propr's exc. farm	358	10.6%
Clerical and kindred	529	15.7%
Sales	196	5.8%
Craftsmen, foremen, and kindred	557	16.5%
Operatives and kindred	608	18.0%
Private household workers	57	1.7%
Service workers, except private household	331	9.8%
Farm laborers	6	0.2%
Laborers, except farm and mine	244	7.2%
Occupation not reported	40	1.2%

IV. 1960

1960 Census

TOTAL POPULATION	9,604	100.0%
In households	9,128	95.0%
RACE		
White	9,461	98.5%
Negro	113	1.2%
Other races	30	0.3%
SEX		
Male	4,823	50.2%
Female	4,781	49.8%
AGE		
Under 5 years	792	8.2%
5 to 19 years	2,345	24.4%
20 to 64 years	5,370	55.9%
65 years and over	1,097	11.4%
HOUSING OCCUPANCY		
All housing units	3,591	100.0%
All occupied units	3,282	91.4%
Owner occupied	1,831	55.8%
Renter occupied	1,451	44.2%
Vacant	309	8.6%
Median value dollars	13,100	X
Median gross rent dollars	65	X
PLACE OF BIRTH		
Native	8,821	91.8%
Foreign born	783	8.2%
INCOME IN 1959		
Families median income dollars	6,951	X
YEARS OF SCHOOL COMPLETED		
Population 25 years and over	5,962	100.0%
High school 4 years	1,816	30.5%
College 4 years or more	575	9.6%

OCCUPATION

Employed	3,644	100.0%
Professional, technical, and kindred	579	15.9%
Farmers and farm managers	11	0.3%
Managers, officials, and propr's exc. farm	304	8.3%
Clerical and kindred	619	17.0%
Sales	240	6.6%
Craftsmen, foremen, and kindred	545	15.0%
Operatives and kindred	647	17.8%
Private household workers	20	0.5%
Service workers, except private household	338	9.3%
Farm laborers and farm foremen	9	0.2%
Laborers, except farm and mine	160	4.4%
Occupation not reported	172	4.7%

V. 1970

1970 Census

TOTAL POPULATION	16,506	100.0%
RACE		
White	15,865	96.1%
Negro	323	2.0%
Indian	94	0.6%
Japanese	35	0.2%
Chinese	32	0.2%
Filipino	70	0.4%
All other	87	0.5%
PERSONS OF SPANISH ORIGIN OR DESCENT	756	4.6%
SEX		
Male	8,186	49.6%
Female	8,320	50.4%
AGE		
Under 5 years	1,401	8.5%
5 to 19 years	4,889	29.6%
20 to 64 years	8,857	53.7%
65 years and over	1,359	8.2%
Median age	28.1	X
HOUSEHOLDS		
Head of household	5,309	100.0%
Families	4,217	79.4%
With own children under 18 years	2,410	45.4%
Persons per household	2.98	X
INCOME AND POVERTY IN 1969		
Income of families and unrelated individuals	10,258	X
Income of persons	3,670	X
Less than poverty level		8.6%

VI. 1980

1980 Census

TOTAL POPULATION	22,582	100.0%
RACE		
White	20,945	92.8%
Black	407	1.8%
American Indian, Eskimo, and Aleut	196	0.9%
Eskimo	0	0.0%
Aleut	0	0.0%
Asian and Pacific Islander	681	3.0%
Japanese	64	0.3%
Chinese	175	0.8%
Filipino	218	1.0%
Korean	86	0.4%
Asian Indian	22	0.1%
Vietnamese	33	0.1%
Hawaiian	13	0.1%
Samoan	11	0.0%
Guamanian	31	0.1%
Other Asian and Pacific Islander	28	0.1%
Race, n.e.c.	353	1.6%
SPANISH ORIGIN	1,735	7.7%
AGE		
Median age	31.4	X
HOUSEHOLDS		
Total households	8,437	100.0%
Families	6,076	72.0%
With own children under 18 years	3,200	37.6%
Persons per household	2.61	X
INCOME AND POVERTY IN 1979		
Median household income	24,102	X
Median family income	27,310	X
Per capita income	9,634	X
Below poverty level		5.7%
COMMUTING TO WORK		
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	24.9	X

MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK

Workers 16 years and over	10,886	100.0%
Private vehicle	9,696	89.1%
Drive alone car	6,685	61.4%
Drive alone truck or van	1,097	10.1%
Carpool car	1,555	14.3%
Carpool truck or van	359	3.3%
Public transportation	539	5.0%
Walked only	285	2.6%
Other means	237	2.2%
Worked at home	129	1.2%

VII. 1990

1990 Census

TOTAL POPULATION	32,038	100.0%
RACE		
White	28,282	88.3%
Black	1,016	3.2%
American Indian, Eskimo, or Aleut	219	0.7%
Eskimo	0	0.0%
Aleut	0	0.0%
Asian or Pacific Islander	1,665	5.2%
Asian	1,591	5.0%
Japanese	286	0.9%
Chinese	463	1.4%
Filipino	429	1.3%
Korean	116	0.4%
Asian Indian	138	0.4%
Vietnamese	55	0.2%
Cambodian	0	0.0%
Hmong	0	0.0%
Laotian	0	0.0%
Thai	4	0.0%
Other Asian	100	0.3%
Pacific Islander	74	0.2%
Polynesian	43	0.1%
Hawaiian	38	0.1%
Samoan	0	0.0%
Tongan	5	0.0%
Other Polynesian	0	0.0%
Micronesian -- Guamanian	31	0.1%
Micronesian -- Other	0	0.0%
Melanesian	0	0.0%
Pacific Islander Not Specified	0	0.0%
Other Race	856	2.7%
TOTAL HISPANIC	2,759	8.6%
SEX		
Male	15,789	49.3%
Female	16,249	50.7%

AGE		
Under 5 years	2,225	6.9%
5 to 17 years	5,118	16.0%
18 to 64 years	21,958	68.5%
65 years and over	2,827	8.8%
Median age	34.1	X
HOUSEHOLDS		
Households	12,583	100.0%
Total families	8,370	66.5%
With own children under 18 years	3,891	30.9%
Persons per household	2.44	X
Persons per family	2.96	X
INCOME AND POVERTY IN 1989		
Median household income	45,964	X
Median family income	53,301	X
Per capita income	20,060	X
Below poverty level		5.7%
COMMUTING TO WORK		
Mean minutes traveled to work	26.8	X
MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK		
Workers 16 years and over	17,226	100.0%
Car, truck, or van	15,220	88.4%
Drove alone	13,215	76.7%
Carpooled	2,005	11.6%
Public transportation	1,020	5.9%
Bus or trolley bus	157	0.9%
Streetcar or trolley car	0	0.0%
Subway or elevated	742	4.3%
Railroad	121	0.7%
Ferryboat	0	0.0%
Taxicab	0	0.0%
Motorcycle	83	0.5%
Bicycle	80	0.5%
Walked	375	2.2%
Other means	82	0.5%
Working at home	366	2.1%

VIII. 2000

Census 2000

TOTAL POPULATION	35,866	100.0%
In households	34,516	96.2%
In group quarters	1,350	3.8%
RACE		
White	29,064	81.0%
Black or African American	1,201	3.3%
American Indian and Alaska Native	264	0.7%
Asian	2,378	6.6%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	84	0.2%
Some other race	1,181	3.3%
Two or more races	1,694	4.7%
HISPANIC OR LATINO AND RACE		
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	3,660	10.2%
Not Hispanic or Latino	32,206	89.8%
White	27,096	75.5%
Black or African American	1,181	3.3%
American Indian and Alaska Native	188	0.5%
Asian	2,340	6.5%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	80	0.2%
Some other race	73	0.2%
Two or more races	1,248	3.5%
SEX		
Male	17,794	49.6%
Female	18,072	50.4%
AGE		
Under 5 years	2,000	5.6%
5 to 17 years	6,128	17.1%
18 to 64 years	24,110	67.2%
65 years and over	3,628	10.1%
Median age	38.6	X

HOUSEHOLDS		
Total households	14,300	100.0%
Family households	9,204	64.4%
Families with children under 18	4,290	30.0%
Average household size	2.41	X
Average family size	2.96	X
HOUSING OCCUPANCY		
Total housing units	14,597	100.0%
Occupied housing units	14,300	98.0%
Owner-occupied housing units	9,837	68.8%
Renter-occupied housing units	4,463	31.2%
Vacant housing units	297	2.0%
1 unit, detached housing	9,300	63.5%
Median value owner occupied unit (dollars)	254,300	X
Median gross rent (dollars)	870	X
PLACE OF BIRTH BY CITIZENSHIP STATUS		
Native	32,714	90.5%
Foreign born	3,453	9.5%
Naturalized citizen	1,950	5.4%
Not a citizen	1,503	4.2%
INCOME AND POVERTY IN 1999		
Median household income (dollars)	63,010	X
Median family income (dollars)	77,411	X
Per capita income (dollars)	29,701	X
Individuals in poverty	1,826	5.2%
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT		
Population 25 and over	25,201	100.0%
High school graduate	5,111	20.3%
Bachelor's degree	5,678	22.5%
Graduate or professional degree	2,413	9.6%
COMMUTING TO WORK		
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	27.9	X

MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK FOR WORKERS 16 YEARS AND OVER

Total	18,820	100.0%
Car, truck, or van:	16,535	87.9%
Drove alone	14,575	77.4%
Carpooled	1,960	10.4%
Public transportation	1,082	5.7%
Bus or trolley bus	228	1.2%
Streetcar or trolley car	0	0.0%
Subway or elevated	753	4.0%
Railroad	101	0.5%
Ferryboat	0	0.0%
Taxicab	0	0.0%
Motorcycle	49	0.3%
Bicycle	57	0.3%
Walked	267	1.4%
Other means	92	0.5%
Worked at home	738	3.9%

LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT BY OCCUPATION

Employed civilian population 16 years and over	19,169	100.0%
Management, professional and related	7,914	41.3%
Service	1,931	10.1%
Sales and office	5,946	31.0%
Farming, fishing & forestry	10	0.1%
Construction, extraction, and maintenance	2,033	10.6%
Production, transportation, and material moving	1,335	7.0%

CLASS OF WORKER

Self-employed workers	1,440	7.5%
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IX. 2010

Census 2010

TOTAL POPULATION	35,824	100.0%
In households	34,528	96.4%
In group quarters	1,296	3.6%
RACE		
White	27,603	77.1%
Black or African American	1,303	3.6%
American Indian and Alaska Native	255	0.7%
Asian	2,876	8.0%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	121	0.3%
Some other race	1,425	4.0%
Two or more races	2,241	6.3%
HISPANIC OR LATINO AND RACE		
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	5,258	14.7%
Not Hispanic or Latino	30,566	85.3%
White	24,604	68.7%
Black or African American	1,263	3.5%
American Indian and Alaska Native	163	0.5%
Asian	2,810	7.8%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	99	0.3%
Some other race	67	0.2%
Two or more races	1,560	4.4%
SEX		
Male	17,633	49.2%
Female	18,191	50.8%
AGE		
Under 5 years	1,792	5.0%
5 to 17 years	5,537	15.5%
18 to 64 years	24,156	67.4%
65 years and over	4,339	12.1%
Median age	42.2	X

HOUSEHOLDS

Total households	14,287	100.0%
Family households	9,173	64.2%
Families with children under 18	3,903	27.3%
Average household size	2.42	X
Average family size	2.95	X

HOUSING OCCUPANCY

Total housing units	14,976	100.0%
Occupied housing units	14,287	95.4%
Owner-occupied housing units	9,619	67.3%
Renter-occupied housing units	4,668	32.7%
Vacant housing units	689	4.6%

X. 2010 American Community Survey

2006-2010 American Community Survey

TOTAL POPULATION	35,622	100.0%
HOUSING OCCUPANCY		
Total housing units	15,462	100.0%
Occupied housing units	14,623	94.6%
Owner-occupied housing units	10,301	70.4%
Renter-occupied housing units	4,322	29.6%
Vacant housing units	839	5.4%
1 unit, detached housing	9,696	62.7%
Median value owner occupied unit (dollars)	520,800	X
Median gross rent (dollars)	1,201	X
PLACE OF BIRTH BY CITIZENSHIP STATUS		
Native	31,229	87.7%
Foreign born	4,393	12.3%
Naturalized citizen	2,540	7.1%
Not a citizen	1,853	5.2%
INCOME AND POVERTY IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS		
Median household income (dollars)	75,679	X
Median family income (dollars)	90,808	X
Per capita income (dollars)	37,577	X
Individuals in poverty	2,679	7.9%
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT		
Population 25 and over	25,919	100.0%
High school graduate		21.8%
Bachelor's degree		23.0%
Graduate or professional degree		10.2%
COMMUTING TO WORK		
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	26.4	X

MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK FOR WORKERS 16 YEARS AND OVER

Total	17,840	100.0%
Car, truck, or van:	15,114	84.7%
Drove alone	13,291	74.5%
Carpooled	1,823	10.2%
Public transportation	1,072	6.0%
Bus or trolley bus	247	1.4%
Streetcar or trolley car	0	0.0%
Subway or elevated	775	4.3%
Railroad	50	0.3%
Ferryboat	0	0.0%
Taxicab	0	0.0%
Motorcycle	109	0.6%
Bicycle	87	0.5%
Walked	263	1.5%
Other means	61	0.3%
Worked at home	1,134	6.4%

LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT BY OCCUPATION

Employed civilian population 16 years and over	18,164	100.0%
Management, professional and related	7,845	43.2%
Service	2,237	12.3%
Sales and office	4,953	27.3%
Farming, fishing & forestry		Included in following category
Construction, extraction, and maintenance	1,741	9.6%
Production, transportation, and material moving	1,388	7.6%

CLASS OF WORKER

Self-employed workers	1,807	9.9%
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XI. 2020

Census 2020

TOTAL POPULATION	37,287	100.0%
In households	36,378	97.6%
In group quarters	909	2.4%
RACE		
Population of one race:	31,840	85.4%
White alone	24,191	64.9%
Black or African American alone	1,390	3.7%
American Indian and Alaska Native alone	264	0.7%
Asian alone	3,828	10.3%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone	117	0.3%
Some Other Race alone	2,050	5.5%
Population of two races	4,956	13.3%
Population of three races	446	1.2%
Population of four races	39	0.1%
Population of five races	6	0.0%
Population of six races	0	0.0%
HISPANIC OR LATINO		
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	6,670	17.9%
HOUSING OCCUPANCY		
Total housing units	15,360	100.0%
Occupied housing units	14,851	96.7%
Vacant housing units	509	3.3%