City of Menlo Park San Mateo County Census Data

1930-2020

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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:

<u>California Department of Finance Research</u>, Census 1950-1990, Census 2000 SF1, SF3, DP1-DP4, Census 2010 DP-1, American Community Survey 2006-2010, Census 2020 PL 94-171

II. 1930-1940

1930 Census TOTAL POPULATION	2,254
1940 Census TOTAL POPULATION	3,258

III. 1950

TOTAL POPULATION In households	13,587 10,688	100.0% 78.7%
RACE Native white Foreign-born white Negro Other races Indians Japanese Chinese	12,090 1,148 115 234 2 49 122	89.0% 8.4% 0.8% 1.7% 0.0% 0.4% 0.9%
WHITE PERSONS OF SPANISH SURNAME	222	1.6%
SEX Male Female	7,875 5,712	58.0% 42.0%
AGE Under 5 years 5 to 17 years 18 to 64 years 65 years and over Median age	1,710 1,688 9,452 737 29.8	12.6% 12.4% 69.6% 5.4% X
HOUSEHOLDS Total household Persons per household	3,472 3.08	100.0% X
HOUSING OCCUPANCY All dwelling units Occupied dwelling units Owner occupied Renter occupied Vacant Median value of 1-unit structures dollars Median gross rent dollars	3,699 3,472 2,180 1,292 210 13,326 52	100.0% 93.9% 62.8% 37.2% 5.7% X
INCOME IN 1949 Families median income dollars	4,330	Х

YEARS OF SCHOOL COMPLETED		
Population 25 years and over	8,625	100.0%
High school 4 years	1,765	20.5%
College 4 years or more	1,950	22.6%
MAJOR OCCUPATION GROUP		
Employed	4,289	100.0%
Professional, technical, and kindred	1,048	24.4%
Farmers and farm managers	29	0.7%
Managers, officials, and propr's exc. farm	644	15.0%
Clerical and kindred	596	13.9%
Sales	432	10.1%
Craftsmen, foremen, and kindred	504	11.8%
Operatives and kindred	265	6.2%
Private household workers	87	2.0%
Service workers, except private household	464	10.8%
Farm laborers	13	0.3%
Laborers, except farm and mine	171	4.0%
Occupation not reported	36	0.8%

IV. 1960

TOTAL POPULATION In households In group quarters	26,957 24,926 2,031	100.0% 92.5% 7.5%
RACE White Negro Other races Indian Japanese Chinese Filipino	22,974 3,569 56 23 168 104 63	85.2% 13.2% 0.2% 0.1% 0.6% 0.4% 0.2%
WHITE, SPANISH SURNAME	683	2.5%
SEX Male Female	13,599 13,358	50.4% 49.6%
AGE Under 5 years 5 to 17 years 18 to 64 years 65 years and over Median age	2,512 5,699 16,046 2,700 33.0	9.3% 21.1% 59.5% 10.0% X
HOUSEHOLDS Families With own children under 18 Population per household	6,674 3,563 2.94	100.0% 53.4% X
HOUSING OCCUPANCY All housing units All occupied units Owner occupied Renter occupied Vacant Median value dollars Median gross rent dollars	8,786 8,483 4,951 3,532 303 20,200 116	100.0% 96.6% 58.4% 41.6% 3.4% X

PLACE OF BIRTH Native Foreign born	24,589 2,368	91.2% 8.8%
INCOME IN 1959 Families median income dollars	8,191	Х
YEARS OF SCHOOL COMPLETED Population 25 years and over High school 4 years College 4 years or more	16,490 3,844 4,129	100.0% 23.3% 25.0%
MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK All workers Private automobile or car pool Railroad, subway or elevated Bus or streetcar Walked to work Other means Worked at home Not reported	10,300 7,695 666 271 739 253 294 382	100.0% 74.7% 6.5% 2.6% 7.2% 2.5% 2.9% 3.7%
OCCUPATION Employed Professional, technical, and kindred Farmers and farm managers Managers, officials, and propr's exc. farm Clerical and kindred Sales Craftsmen, foremen, and kindred Operatives and kindred Private household workers Service workers, except private household Farm laborers and farm foremen Laborers, except farm and mine Occupation not reported	10,403 2,713 29 1,271 1,701 1,042 852 799 364 880 22 401 329	16.4%
CLASS OF WORKER Self-employed	983	9.4%

V. 1970

TOTAL POPULATION	26,734	100.0%
RACE White Negro Indian Japanese Chinese Filipino All other	21,398 4,656 32 211 190 96 151	80.0% 17.4% 0.1% 0.8% 0.7% 0.4% 0.6%
PERSONS OF SPANISH ORIGIN OR DESCENT	818	3.1%
SEX Male Female	12,825 13,909	48.0% 52.0%
AGE Under 5 years 5 to 19 years 20 to 64 years 65 years and over Median age	1,787 5,862 15,554 3,531 34.7	6.7% 21.9% 58.2% 13.2% X
HOUSEHOLDS Head of household Families With own children under 18 years Persons per household	9,831 6,917 3,113 2.59	100.0% 70.4% 31.7% X
INCOME AND POVERTY IN 1969 Income of families and unrelated individuals Income of persons Less than poverty level	9,461 5,235	X X 8.2%

VI. 1980

RACE White 21,040 79.8% Black 3,757 14.2% American Indian, Eskimo, and Aleut 68 0.3% Eskimo 0 0.0% Aleut 0 0.0% Asian and Pacific Islander 942 3.6% Japanese 300 1.1% Chinese 231 0.9% Filipino 163 0.6% Korean 6 0.0% Asian Indian 0 0.0%	TOTAL POPULATION	26,369	100.0%
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Korean 6 0.0%	Chinese	231	0.9%
	Filipino	163	0.6%
Asian Indian 0 0.0%	Korean	6	0.0%
	Asian Indian	0	0.0%
Vietnamese 0 0.0%	Vietnamese	0	0.0%
Hawaiian 15 0.1%	Hawaiian	15	0.1%
Samoan 135 0.5%	Samoan	135	0.5%
Guamanian 6 0.0%	Guamanian	6	0.0%
Other Asian and Pacific Islander 86 0.3%	Other Asian and Pacific Islander		
Race, n.e.c. 562 2.1%	Race, n.e.c.	562	2.1%
SPANISH ORIGIN 1,589 6.0%	SPANISH ORIGIN	1,589	6.0%
AGE	AGE		
Median age 37.2 X	Median age	37.2	X
HOUSEHOLDS	HOUSEHOLDS		
Total households 11,247 100.0%	Total households	11,247	100.0%
Families 6,581 58.5%	Families	6,581	
With own children under 18 years 2,468 21.9%	With own children under 18 years	2,468	21.9%
Persons per household 2.24 X	Persons per household	2.24	X
INCOME AND POVERTY IN 1979	INCOME AND POVERTY IN 1979		
Median household income 21,918 X	Median household income	21,918	X
Median family income 29,009 X	Median family income	29,009	X
Per capita income 12,328 X	Per capita income	12,328	
Below poverty level 8.0%	Below poverty level		8.0%
COMMUTING TO WORK	COMMUTING TO WORK		
Mean travel time to work (minutes) 19.4 X	Mean travel time to work (minutes)	19.4	X

MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK 100.0% 12,587 Workers 16 years and over Private vehicle 9,942 79.0% 8,097 Drive alone car 64.3% 4.0% Drive alone truck or van 509 Carpool car 1,226 9.7% Carpool truck or van 0.9% 110 Public transportation 637 5.1% Walked only 4.7% 590 Other means 1,034 8.2% Worked at home 384 3.1%

VII. 1990

TOTAL POPULATION	28,001	100.0%
RACE		
White	22,288	79.6%
Black	3,365	12.0%
American Indian, Eskimo, or Aleut	111	0.4%
Eskimo	7	0.0%
Aleut	0	0.0%
Asian or Pacific Islander	1,690	6.0%
Asian	1,465	5.2%
Japanese	363	1.3%
Chinese	638	2.3%
Filipino	119	0.4%
Korean	29	0.1%
Asian Indian	193	0.7%
Vietnamese	9	0.0%
Cambodian	32	0.1%
Hmong	0	0.0%
Laotian	0	0.0%
Thai	12	0.0%
Other Asian	70	0.2%
Pacific Islander	225	0.8%
Polynesian	225	0.8%
Hawaiian	179	0.6%
Samoan	7	0.0%
Tongan	39	0.1%
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	547	2.0%
TOTAL HISPANIC	2,663	9.5%
SEX		
Male	13,149	47.0%
Female	14,852	53.0%

AGE Under 5 years 5 to 17 years 18 to 64 years 65 years and over Median age	1,758 3,479 17,611 5,153 37.8	12.4% 62.9%
HOUSEHOLDS Households Total families With own children under 18 years Persons per household Persons per family	11,881 6,865 2,707 2.27 2.90	57.8% 22.8% X
INCOME AND POVERTY IN 1989 Median household income Median family income Per capita income Below poverty level	50,468 64,560 30,130	X X X 6.2%
COMMUTING TO WORK Mean minutes traveled to work	20.3	X
MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK Workers 16 years and over Car, truck, or van Drove alone Carpooled Public transportation Bus or trolley bus Streetcar or trolley car Subway or elevated Railroad Ferryboat Taxicab Motorcycle Bicycle	14,191 11,785 10,621 1,164 502 201 0 37 256 0 8 93 641	74.8% 8.2% 3.5%
Walked Other means Working at home	474 91 605	3.3% 0.6% 4.3%

VIII. 2000

TOTAL POPULATION In households In group quarters	30,785 29,833 952	100.0% 96.9% 3.1%
RACE White Black or African American American Indian and Alaska Native Asian Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander Some other race Two or more races	22,274 2,163 136 2,201 389 2,635 987	
HISPANIC OR LATINO AND RACE Hispanic or Latino (of any race) Not Hispanic or Latino White Black or African American American Indian and Alaska Native Asian Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander Some other race Two or more races	4,803 25,982 20,452 2,124 52 2,184 388 82 700	66.4% 6.9% 0.2%
SEX Male Female	14,920 15,865	48.5% 51.5%
AGE Under 5 years 5 to 17 years 18 to 64 years 65 years and over Median age	2,030 4,707 19,159 4,889 37.4	6.6% 15.3% 62.2% 15.9%

HOUSEHOLDS		
Total households	12,387	100.0%
Family households	7,120	57.5%
Families with children under 18	3,299	26.6%
Average household size	2.14	Χ
Average family size	3.12	X
HOUSING OCCUPANCY		
Total housing units	12,714	100.0%
Occupied housing units	12,387	
Owner-occupied housing units	7,055	57.0%
Renter-occupied housing units	5,332	43.0%
Vacant housing units	327	2.6%
1 unit, detached housing	6,852	53.8%
Median value owner occupied unit (dollars)	778,500	X
Median gross rent (dollars)	1,319	X
PLACE OF BIRTH BY CITIZENSHIP STATUS		
Native	23,780	77.2%
Foreign born	7,006	
Naturalized citizen	2,453	8.0%
Not a citizen	4,553	14.8%
INCOME AND POVERTY IN 1999		
Median household income (dollars)	84,609	Х
Median family income (dollars)	105,550	X
Per capita income (dollars)	53,341	Χ
Individuals in poverty	2,059	
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT		
Population 25 and over	22,454	100.0%
High school graduate	2,216	9.9%
Bachelor's degree	6,949	30.9%
Graduate or professional degree	6,896	30.7%
COMMUTING TO WORK		
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	24.6	X

MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK FOR WORKERS 16 YEARS AND OVER 15,237 Total 100.0% 12.590 Car, truck, or van: 82.6% Drove alone 11,506 75.5% Carpooled 1,084 7.1% Public transportation 614 4.0% Bus or trolley bus 336 2.2% Streetcar or trolley car 15 0.1% Subway or elevated 0.1% 8 Railroad 248 1.6% Ferryboat 0 0.0% Taxicab 7 0.0% 38 0.2% Motorcycle Bicycle 562 3.7% Walked 338 2.2% Other means 0.6% 86 Worked at home 1,009 6.6% LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT BY OCCUPATION Employed civilian population 16 years and over 15,429 100.0% Management, professional and related 9,695 62.8% Service 1,415 9.2% Sales and office 2,927 19.0% Farming, fishing & forestry 14 0.1% Construction, extraction, and maintenance 557 3.6%

821

1.671

5.3%

10.8%

Production, transportation, and material moving

CLASS OF WORKER Self-employed workers

IX. 2010

TOTAL POPULATION In households In group quarters	32,026 31,181 845	100.0% 97.4% 2.6%
RACE White Black or African American American Indian and Alaska Native Asian Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander Some other race Two or more races	22,494 1,551 156 3,157 454 2,776 1,438	0.5% 9.9% 1.4%
HISPANIC OR LATINO AND RACE Hispanic or Latino (of any race) Not Hispanic or Latino White Black or African American American Indian and Alaska Native Asian Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander Some other race Two or more races	5,902 26,124 19,841 1,482 43 3,132 446 73 1,107	0.1%
SEX Male Female	15,488 16,538	48.4% 51.6%
AGE Under 5 years 5 to 17 years 18 to 64 years 65 years and over Median age	2,458 5,347 19,643 4,578 38.7	7.7% 16.7% 61.3% 14.3% X

HOUSEHOLDS		
Total households	12,347	100.0%
Family households	7,573	61.3%
Families with children under 18	3,890	31.5%
Average household size	2.53	Χ
Average family size	3.20	X
HOUSING OCCUPANCY		
Total housing units	13,085	100.0%
Occupied housing units	12,347	94.4%
Owner-occupied housing units	6,927	56.1%
Renter-occupied housing units	5,420	43.9%
Vacant housing units	738	5.6%

X. 2010 American Community Survey

2006-2010 American Community Survey

TOTAL POPULATION	31,318	100.0%
HOUSING OCCUPANCY		
Total housing units	13,313	100.0%
Occupied housing units	12,601	94.7%
Owner-occupied housing units	7,358	58.4%
Renter-occupied housing units	5,243	41.6%
Vacant housing units	712	5.3%
1 unit, detached housing	7,352	55.2%
Median value owner occupied unit (dollars)	1,000,000+	Χ
Median gross rent (dollars)	1,710	X
PLACE OF BIRTH BY CITIZENSHIP STATUS		
Native	23,846	76.1%
Foreign born	7,472	
Naturalized citizen	2,949	
Not a citizen	4,523	_
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INCOME AND POVERTY IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS		
Median household income (dollars)	107,860	Χ
Median family income (dollars)	146,404	Χ
Per capita income (dollars)	67,213	Χ
Individuals in poverty	1,920	6.2%
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT		
Population 25 and over	22,437	100.0%
High school graduate	22,407	8.8%
Bachelor's degree		32.3%
Graduate or professional degree		37.2%
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COMMUTING TO WORK		
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	22.1	X

MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK FOR WORKERS 16 YEARS AND OVER 15,449 100.0% Total Car, truck, or van: 11,653 75.4% Drove alone 10,204 66.0% Carpooled 1,449 9.4% Public transportation 876 5.7% Bus or trolley bus 216 1.4% Streetcar or trolley car 0.0% 0 Subway or elevated 40 0.3% Railroad 620 4.0% Ferryboat 0 0.0% Taxicab 0.0% 0 Motorcycle 67 0.4% Bicvcle 7.7% 1.182

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Walked	472	3.1%
Other means	34	0.2%
Worked at home	1,165	7.5%
LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT BY OCCUPATION		
Employed civilian population 16 years and over	15,811	100.0%
Management, professional and related	10,458	66.1%
Service	1,797	11.4%
Sales and office	2,607	16.5%
	Included in	following
Farming, fishing & forestry		category
Construction, extraction, and maintenance	531	3.4%
Production, transportation, and material moving	418	2.6%

CLASS OF WORKER		
Self-employed workers	1,799	11.4%

XI. 2020

TOTAL POPULATION	33,780	100.0%
In households	33,380	98.8%
In group quarters	400	1.2%
RACE		
Population of one race:	29,987	88.8%
White alone	19,344	57.3%
Black or African American alone	1,063	3.1%
American Indian and Alaska Native alone	232	0.7%
Asian alone	5,822	17.2%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone	367	1.1%
Some Other Race alone	3,159	9.4%
Population of two races	3,511	10.4%
Population of three races	257	0.8%
Population of four races	24	0.1%
Population of five races	1	0.0%
Population of six races	0	0.0%
HISPANIC OR LATINO		
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	5,989	17.7%
HOUSING OCCUPANCY		
Total housing units	13,857	100.0%
Occupied housing units	12,743	92.0%
Vacant housing units	1,114	8.0%
Total housing units Occupied housing units	12,743	92.0%