

**City of Saratoga
Santa Clara 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	1,329	100.0%
RACE		
Native white	1,140	85.8%
Foreign-born white	161	12.1%
Negro	3	0.2%
Other races	25	1.9%
SEX		
Male	604	45.4%
Female	725	54.6%
AGE		
Under 5 years	88	6.6%
18 to 64 years	991	74.6%
65 years and over	250	18.8%
HOUSING OCCUPANCY		
All dwelling units	544	100.0%
Occupied dwelling units	474	87.1%
Owner occupied	321	67.7%
Renter occupied	153	32.3%
Vacant	71	12.9%
Median value of 1-unit structures dollars	13,585	X
Median gross rent dollars	46	X

III. 1960

1960 Census

TOTAL POPULATION	14,861	100.0%
In households	14,455	97.3%
In group quarters	406	2.7%
RACE		
White	14,723	99.1%
Negro	16	0.1%
Other races	0	0.0%
Indian	4	0.0%
Japanese	110	0.7%
Chinese	4	0.0%
Filipino	4	0.0%
SEX		
Male	7,227	48.6%
Female	7,634	51.4%
AGE		
Under 5 years	1,514	10.2%
5 to 17 years	4,615	31.1%
18 to 64 years	7,400	49.8%
65 years and over	1,332	9.0%
Median age	31.2	X
HOUSEHOLDS		
Families	3,675	100.0%
With own children under 18	2,414	65.7%
Population per household	3.62	X
HOUSING OCCUPANCY		
All housing units	4,276	100.0%
All occupied units	3,989	93.3%
Owner occupied	3,441	86.3%
Renter occupied	548	13.7%
Vacant	287	6.7%
Median value dollars	26,100	X
Median gross rent dollars	104	X

PLACE OF BIRTH		
Native	13,966	94.0%
Foreign born	895	6.0%
INCOME IN 1959		
Families median income dollars	9,885	X
YEARS OF SCHOOL COMPLETED		
Population 25 years and over	8,191	100.0%
High school 4 years	2,188	26.7%
College 4 years or more	2,083	25.4%
MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK		
All workers	4,596	100.0%
Private automobile or car pool	3,953	86.0%
Railroad, subway or elevated	43	0.9%
Bus or streetcar	20	0.4%
Walked to work	196	4.3%
Other means	96	2.1%
Worked at home	137	3.0%
Not reported	151	3.3%
OCCUPATION		
Employed	4,676	100.0%
Professional, technical, and kindred	1,149	24.6%
Farmers and farm managers	50	1.1%
Managers, officials, and propr's exc. farm	720	15.4%
Clerical and kindred	502	10.7%
Sales	425	9.1%
Craftsmen, foremen, and kindred	709	15.2%
Operatives and kindred	381	8.1%
Private household workers	163	3.5%
Service workers, except private household	255	5.5%
Farm laborers and farm foremen	26	0.6%
Laborers, except farm and mine	164	3.5%
Occupation not reported	132	2.8%
CLASS OF WORKER		
Self-employed	748	16.0%

IV. 1970

1970 Census

TOTAL POPULATION	27,110	100.0%
RACE		
White	26,540	97.9%
Negro	56	0.2%
Indian	33	0.1%
Japanese	292	1.1%
Chinese	128	0.5%
Filipino	17	0.1%
All other	44	0.2%
PERSONS OF SPANISH ORIGIN OR DESCENT	673	2.5%
SEX		
Male	13,292	49.0%
Female	13,818	51.0%
AGE		
Under 5 years	1,638	6.0%
5 to 19 years	10,343	38.2%
20 to 64 years	13,454	49.6%
65 years and over	1,675	6.2%
Median age	29.0	X
HOUSEHOLDS		
Head of household	7,090	100.0%
Families	6,537	92.2%
With own children under 18 years	4,446	62.7%
Persons per household	3.76	X
INCOME AND POVERTY IN 1969		
Income of families and unrelated individuals	18,122	X
Income of persons	5,535	X
Less than poverty level		3.7%

V. 1980

1980 Census

TOTAL POPULATION	29,261	100.0%
RACE		
White	27,633	94.4%
Black	49	0.2%
American Indian, Eskimo, and Aleut	41	0.1%
Eskimo	0	0.0%
Aleut	0	0.0%
Asian and Pacific Islander	1,358	4.6%
Japanese	467	1.6%
Chinese	613	2.1%
Filipino	33	0.1%
Korean	117	0.4%
Asian Indian	82	0.3%
Vietnamese	19	0.1%
Hawaiian	21	0.1%
Samoan	0	0.0%
Guamanian	6	0.0%
Other Asian and Pacific Islander	0	0.0%
Race, n.e.c.	180	0.6%
SPANISH ORIGIN	744	2.5%
AGE		
Median age	37.4	X
HOUSEHOLDS		
Total households	9,295	100.0%
Families	8,041	86.5%
With own children under 18 years	4,365	47.0%
Persons per household	3.10	X
INCOME AND POVERTY IN 1979		
Median household income	41,143	X
Median family income	43,994	X
Per capita income	15,059	X
Below poverty level		2.2%
COMMUTING TO WORK		
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	23.6	X

MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK

Workers 16 years and over	13,931	100.0%
Private vehicle	12,782	91.8%
Drive alone car	10,322	74.1%
Drive alone truck or van	851	6.1%
Carpool car	1,451	10.4%
Carpool truck or van	158	1.1%
Public transportation	277	2.0%
Walked only	260	1.9%
Other means	287	2.1%
Worked at home	325	2.3%

VI. 1990

1990 Census

TOTAL POPULATION	28,061	100.0%
RACE		
White	23,631	84.2%
Black	92	0.3%
American Indian, Eskimo, or Aleut	22	0.1%
Eskimo	0	0.0%
Aleut	0	0.0%
Asian or Pacific Islander	4,206	15.0%
Asian	4,172	14.9%
Japanese	527	1.9%
Chinese	2,564	9.1%
Filipino	82	0.3%
Korean	411	1.5%
Asian Indian	437	1.6%
Vietnamese	64	0.2%
Cambodian	0	0.0%
Hmong	0	0.0%
Laotian	0	0.0%
Thai	0	0.0%
Other Asian	87	0.3%
Pacific Islander	34	0.1%
Polynesian	6	0.0%
Hawaiian	6	0.0%
Samoan	0	0.0%
Tongan	0	0.0%
Other Polynesian	0	0.0%
Micronesian -- Guamanian	28	0.1%
Micronesian -- Other	0	0.0%
Melanesian	0	0.0%
Pacific Islander Not Specified	0	0.0%
Other Race	110	0.4%
TOTAL HISPANIC	885	3.2%
SEX		
Male	13,757	49.0%
Female	14,304	51.0%

AGE		
Under 5 years	1,284	4.6%
5 to 17 years	4,445	15.8%
18 to 64 years	18,611	66.3%
65 years and over	3,721	13.3%
Median age	42.7	X
HOUSEHOLDS		
Households	10,148	100.0%
Total families	8,365	82.4%
With own children under 18 years	3,161	31.1%
Persons per household	2.73	X
Persons per family	2.99	X
INCOME AND POVERTY IN 1989		
Median household income	86,674	X
Median family income	95,602	X
Per capita income	40,660	X
Below poverty level		1.4%
COMMUTING TO WORK		
Mean minutes traveled to work	24.1	X
MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK		
Workers 16 years and over	14,240	100.0%
Car, truck, or van	13,212	92.8%
Drove alone	12,204	85.7%
Carpooled	1,008	7.1%
Public transportation	122	0.9%
Bus or trolley bus	74	0.5%
Streetcar or trolley car	0	0.0%
Subway or elevated	0	0.0%
Railroad	41	0.3%
Ferryboat	0	0.0%
Taxicab	7	0.0%
Motorcycle	34	0.2%
Bicycle	56	0.4%
Walked	131	0.9%
Other means	86	0.6%
Working at home	599	4.2%

VII. 2000

Census 2000

TOTAL POPULATION	29,843	100.0%
In households	29,592	99.2%
In group quarters	251	0.8%
RACE		
White	20,147	67.4%
Black or African American	115	0.4%
American Indian and Alaska Native	46	0.2%
Asian	8,679	29.1%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	25	0.1%
Some other race	171	0.6%
Two or more races	696	2.3%
HISPANIC OR LATINO AND RACE		
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	936	3.1%
Not Hispanic or Latino	28,907	96.9%
White	19,434	65.1%
Black or African American	110	0.4%
American Indian and Alaska Native	34	0.1%
Asian	8,664	29.0%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	22	0.1%
Some other race	37	0.1%
Two or more races	606	2.0%
SEX		
Male	14,659	49.1%
Female	15,184	50.9%
AGE		
Under 5 years	1,597	5.4%
5 to 17 years	6,167	20.7%
18 to 64 years	17,220	57.7%
65 years and over	4,859	16.3%
Median age	43.2	X

HOUSEHOLDS		
Total households	10,450	100.0%
Family households	8,602	82.3%
Families with children under 18	4,043	38.7%
Average household size	2.83	X
Average family size	3.13	X
HOUSING OCCUPANCY		
Total housing units	10,649	100.0%
Occupied housing units	10,450	98.1%
Owner-occupied housing units	9,406	90.0%
Renter-occupied housing units	1,044	10.0%
Vacant housing units	199	1.9%
1 unit, detached housing	9,551	89.5%
Median value owner occupied unit (dollars)	1,000,000+	X
Median gross rent (dollars)	1,689	X
PLACE OF BIRTH BY CITIZENSHIP STATUS		
Native	22,199	74.4%
Foreign born	7,656	25.6%
Naturalized citizen	4,680	15.7%
Not a citizen	2,976	10.0%
INCOME AND POVERTY IN 1999		
Median household income (dollars)	139,895	X
Median family income (dollars)	155,246	X
Per capita income (dollars)	65,400	X
Individuals in poverty	830	2.8%
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT		
Population 25 and over	20,952	100.0%
High school graduate	1,622	7.7%
Bachelor's degree	7,253	34.6%
Graduate or professional degree	7,030	33.6%
COMMUTING TO WORK		
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	26.6	X

MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK FOR WORKERS 16 YEARS AND OVER

Total	13,159	100.0%
Car, truck, or van:	11,892	90.4%
Drove alone	11,240	85.4%
Carpooled	652	5.0%
Public transportation	117	0.9%
Bus or trolley bus	51	0.4%
Streetcar or trolley car	0	0.0%
Subway or elevated	13	0.1%
Railroad	29	0.2%
Ferryboat	0	0.0%
Taxicab	24	0.2%
Motorcycle	12	0.1%
Bicycle	32	0.2%
Walked	124	0.9%
Other means	46	0.3%
Worked at home	936	7.1%

LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT BY OCCUPATION

Employed civilian population 16 years and over	13,344	100.0%
Management, professional and related	9,670	72.5%
Service	493	3.7%
Sales and office	2,493	18.7%
Farming, fishing & forestry	0	0.0%
Construction, extraction, and maintenance	297	2.2%
Production, transportation, and material moving	391	2.9%

CLASS OF WORKER

Self-employed workers	1,523	11.4%
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VIII. 2010

Census 2010

TOTAL POPULATION	29,926	100.0%
In households	29,727	99.3%
In group quarters	199	0.7%
RACE		
White	16,125	53.9%
Black or African American	94	0.3%
American Indian and Alaska Native	41	0.1%
Asian	12,376	41.4%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	23	0.1%
Some other race	202	0.7%
Two or more races	1,065	3.6%
HISPANIC OR LATINO AND RACE		
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	1,034	3.5%
Not Hispanic or Latino	28,892	96.5%
White	15,431	51.6%
Black or African American	91	0.3%
American Indian and Alaska Native	24	0.1%
Asian	12,331	41.2%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	23	0.1%
Some other race	56	0.2%
Two or more races	936	3.1%
SEX		
Male	14,634	48.9%
Female	15,292	51.1%
AGE		
Under 5 years	977	3.3%
5 to 17 years	6,196	20.7%
18 to 64 years	16,666	55.7%
65 years and over	6,087	20.3%
Median age	47.8	X

HOUSEHOLDS

Total households	10,734	100.0%
Family households	8,714	81.2%
Families with children under 18	3,887	36.2%
Average household size	2.77	X
Average family size	3.11	X

HOUSING OCCUPANCY

Total housing units	11,123	100.0%
Occupied housing units	10,734	96.5%
Owner-occupied housing units	9,258	86.2%
Renter-occupied housing units	1,476	13.8%
Vacant housing units	389	3.5%

IX. 2010 American Community Survey

2006-2010 American Community Survey

TOTAL POPULATION	29,523	100.0%
HOUSING OCCUPANCY		
Total housing units	10,858	100.0%
Occupied housing units	10,468	96.4%
Owner-occupied housing units	8,864	84.7%
Renter-occupied housing units	1,604	15.3%
Vacant housing units	390	3.6%
1 unit, detached housing	9,133	84.1%
Median value owner occupied unit (dollars)	1,000,000+	X
Median gross rent (dollars)	1,747	X
PLACE OF BIRTH BY CITIZENSHIP STATUS		
Native	19,563	66.3%
Foreign born	9,960	33.7%
Naturalized citizen	7,610	25.8%
Not a citizen	2,350	8.0%
INCOME AND POVERTY IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS		
Median household income (dollars)	145,023	X
Median family income (dollars)	169,391	X
Per capita income (dollars)	72,408	X
Individuals in poverty	1,230	4.2%
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT		
Population 25 and over	20,950	100.0%
High school graduate		5.0%
Bachelor's degree		35.8%
Graduate or professional degree		40.9%
COMMUTING TO WORK		
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	25.0	X

MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK FOR WORKERS 16 YEARS AND OVER

Total	11,486	100.0%
Car, truck, or van:	10,414	90.7%
Drove alone	9,718	84.6%
Carpooled	696	6.1%
Public transportation	46	0.4%
Bus or trolley bus	24	0.2%
Streetcar or trolley car	0	0.0%
Subway or elevated	0	0.0%
Railroad	22	0.2%
Ferryboat	0	0.0%
Taxicab	0	0.0%
Motorcycle	0	0.0%
Bicycle	59	0.5%
Walked	93	0.8%
Other means	32	0.3%
Worked at home	842	7.3%

LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT BY OCCUPATION

Employed civilian population 16 years and over	11,795	100.0%
Management, professional and related	8,989	76.2%
Service	683	5.8%
Sales and office	1,785	15.1%
Farming, fishing & forestry		Included in following category
Construction, extraction, and maintenance	157	1.3%
Production, transportation, and material moving	181	1.5%

CLASS OF WORKER

Self-employed workers	1,108	9.4%
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X. 2020

Census 2020

TOTAL POPULATION	31,051	100.0%
In households	30,893	99.5%
In group quarters	158	0.5%
RACE		
Population of one race:	29,152	93.9%
White alone	11,771	37.9%
Black or African American alone	104	0.3%
American Indian and Alaska Native alone	38	0.1%
Asian alone	16,857	54.3%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone	48	0.2%
Some Other Race alone	334	1.1%
Population of two races	1,747	5.6%
Population of three races	144	0.5%
Population of four races	5	0.0%
Population of five races	3	0.0%
Population of six races	0	0.0%
HISPANIC OR LATINO		
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	1,125	3.6%
HOUSING OCCUPANCY		
Total housing units	11,264	100.0%
Occupied housing units	10,830	96.1%
Vacant housing units	434	3.9%