

CHILD POPULATION ESTIMATES BY RACE AND HISPANIC ORIGIN

DEFINITION: Estimate of resident population under age 18 by race and Hispanic origin.

SIGNIFICANCE

In terms of race and ethnicity, the demographic profile of Louisiana's children diverges from that of the nation as a whole in several ways. As the nation has become increasingly diverse, the percentage of children in the U.S. who identify as non-Hispanic white declined from 61% in 2000 to 56% in 2008. During the same time, the percentage of Louisiana children who identify as non-Hispanic white experienced only a slight decline from 55% to 54%. In 2008, 38% of Louisiana children identified as non-Hispanic black or African-American, compared to just 14% of children nationwide. By contrast, Asian and Hispanic children made up a much smaller proportion of the child population in Louisiana, compared to the nation as a whole. While just 1% of Louisiana children identified as Asian, the same was true of 4% of children nationwide. Twenty-percent (20%) of the nation's children identified as Hispanic in 2008, while the same was true for just 4% of Louisiana children. Approximately 1% of children in both Louisiana and the nation identified as American-Indian in 2008. Approximately 2% of all Louisiana children identified as being of two or more race groups, slightly fewer than the national average of 3%.¹

In 2007, there were 15 Louisiana parishes in which more than half of the child population identified as black or African American. White children comprise the majority of the child population in 45 parishes. While the percentage of the child population that identifies as Hispanic remained relatively small at the state level (4%), approximately one out of every ten children in Vernon and Jefferson parishes identified as Hispanic or Latino. Approximately 4% of children in Jefferson and Plaquemines parishes identified as Asian. With 8.4% of its child population identifying as American-Indian, Sabine had the largest concentration of American Indian children of any parish in the state in 2007.

DATA SOURCE

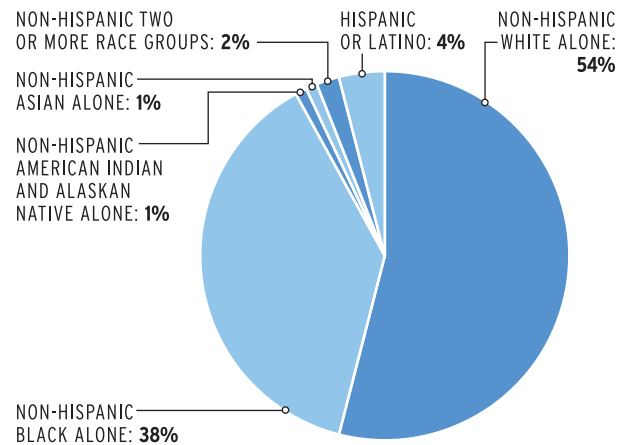
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RATE CALCULATION

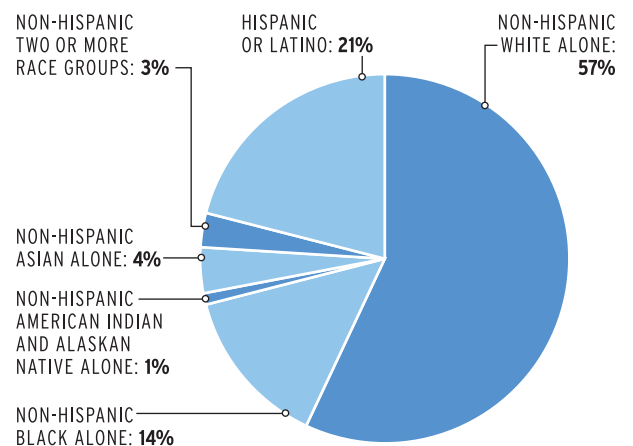
$100 * (\text{number of non-Hispanic, American Indian children ages 0-17} \div \text{total number of children ages 0-17})$

$100 * (\text{number of non-Hispanic, Asian American children}$

CHILD POPULATION BY RACE AND HISPANIC ORIGIN IN LOUISIANA 2008



CHILD POPULATION BY RACE AND HISPANIC ORIGIN IN THE UNITED STATES 2008



$\text{ages 0-17} \div \text{total number of children ages 0-17})$

$100 * (\text{number of non-Hispanic, black children ages 0-17} \div \text{total number of children ages 0-17})$

$100 * (\text{number of Hispanic children ages 0-17} \div \text{total number of children ages 0-17})$

$100 * (\text{number of non-Hispanic, white children ages 0-17} \div \text{total number of children ages 0-17})$

¹The Annie E. Casey Foundation, "Child population by race (Percent) – 2008," KIDS COUNT Data Center, The Annie E. Casey Foundation, retrieved from www.kidscount.org/datacenter on 7/30/2009.

POPULATION ESTIMATES

YOUTH UNDER 18 BY RACE AND HISPANIC ORIGIN

| 2007 | AMERICAN INDIAN | | ASIAN-AMERICAN | | BLACK | | HISPANIC | | WHITE | |
|----------------------|-----------------|------------|----------------|------------|----------------|-------------|---------------|------------|----------------|-------------|
| | No. | % | No. | % | No. | % | No. | % | No. | % |
| LOUISIANA | 6,943 | 0.6 | 16,872 | 1.6 | 420,738 | 39.0 | 38,633 | 3.6 | 596,374 | 55.2 |
| Acadia | 30 | 0.2 | 46 | 0.3 | 3,985 | 23.9 | 198 | 1.2 | 12,380 | 74.4 |
| Allen | 144 | 2.4 | 34 | 0.6 | 1,352 | 22.9 | 100 | 1.7 | 4,272 | 72.4 |
| Ascension | 83 | 0.3 | 257 | 0.9 | 7,405 | 25.8 | 1,334 | 4.7 | 19,605 | 68.3 |
| Assumption | 15 | 0.3 | 18 | 0.3 | 2,226 | 39.6 | 100 | 1.8 | 3,269 | 58.1 |
| Avoyelles | 187 | 1.7 | 21 | 0.2 | 3,903 | 36.5 | 140 | 1.3 | 6,440 | 60.2 |
| Beauregard | 65 | 0.7 | 53 | 0.6 | 1,384 | 15.6 | 320 | 3.6 | 7,043 | 79.4 |
| Bienville | 13 | 0.4 | 16 | 0.4 | 1,693 | 47.4 | 77 | 2.2 | 1,775 | 49.7 |
| Bossier | 119 | 0.4 | 522 | 1.8 | 8,011 | 27.1 | 1,817 | 6.1 | 19,113 | 64.6 |
| Caddo | 210 | 0.3 | 693 | 1.1 | 36,593 | 57.0 | 1,747 | 2.7 | 24,922 | 38.8 |
| Calcasieu | 137 | 0.3 | 463 | 1.0 | 14,466 | 30.6 | 1,120 | 2.4 | 31,105 | 65.8 |
| Caldwell | 10 | 0.4 | 3 | 0.1 | 423 | 18.0 | 36 | 1.5 | 1,881 | 79.9 |
| Cameron | 10 | 0.6 | 12 | 0.8 | 76 | 4.9 | 57 | 3.7 | 1,398 | 90.0 |
| Catahoula | 2 | 0.1 | 4 | 0.2 | 859 | 34.9 | 10 | 0.4 | 1,583 | 64.4 |
| Claiborne | 5 | 0.1 | 2 | 0.1 | 1,940 | 56.3 | 43 | 1.2 | 1,455 | 42.2 |
| Concordia | 7 | 0.1 | 18 | 0.4 | 2,378 | 49.9 | 52 | 1.1 | 2,307 | 48.4 |
| De Soto | 21 | 0.3 | 13 | 0.2 | 3,159 | 47.0 | 163 | 2.4 | 3,360 | 50.0 |
| East Baton Rouge | 178 | 0.2 | 2,672 | 2.5 | 61,160 | 56.9 | 3,177 | 3.0 | 40,283 | 37.5 |
| East Carroll | 2 | 0.1 | 5 | 0.2 | 1,749 | 77.8 | 24 | 1.1 | 467 | 20.8 |
| East Feliciana | 5 | 0.1 | 15 | 0.3 | 2,234 | 47.3 | 43 | 0.9 | 2,429 | 51.4 |
| Evangeline | 21 | 0.2 | 31 | 0.3 | 3,502 | 35.7 | 125 | 1.3 | 6,124 | 62.5 |
| Franklin | 12 | 0.2 | 9 | 0.2 | 2,115 | 41.5 | 43 | 0.8 | 2,914 | 57.2 |
| Grant | 43 | 0.8 | 15 | 0.3 | 704 | 13.7 | 82 | 1.6 | 4,280 | 83.5 |
| Iberia | 83 | 0.4 | 520 | 2.5 | 8,449 | 41.0 | 457 | 2.2 | 11,112 | 53.9 |
| Iberville | 14 | 0.2 | 24 | 0.3 | 4,410 | 56.8 | 89 | 1.1 | 3,230 | 41.6 |
| Jackson | 12 | 0.3 | 8 | 0.2 | 1,117 | 31.8 | 44 | 1.3 | 2,336 | 66.4 |
| Jefferson | 394 | 0.4 | 4,128 | 4.1 | 38,280 | 38.3 | 9,857 | 9.9 | 47,247 | 47.3 |
| Jefferson Davis | 52 | 0.6 | 27 | 0.3 | 1,877 | 22.3 | 112 | 1.3 | 6,339 | 75.4 |
| Lafayette | 145 | 0.3 | 759 | 1.4 | 17,506 | 33.2 | 1,453 | 2.8 | 32,941 | 62.4 |
| Lafourche | 683 | 3.0 | 198 | 0.9 | 4,511 | 19.9 | 677 | 3.0 | 16,590 | 73.2 |
| La Salle | 46 | 1.4 | 3 | 0.1 | 570 | 16.8 | 38 | 1.1 | 2,732 | 80.6 |
| Lincoln | 16 | 0.2 | 78 | 0.9 | 4,254 | 47.0 | 224 | 2.5 | 4,485 | 49.5 |
| Livingston | 96 | 0.3 | 187 | 0.6 | 2,260 | 7.1 | 681 | 2.1 | 28,499 | 89.8 |
| Madison | 1 | 0.0 | 1 | 0.0 | 2,514 | 73.3 | 36 | 1.0 | 879 | 25.6 |
| Morehouse | 10 | 0.1 | 17 | 0.2 | 3,913 | 54.7 | 82 | 1.1 | 3,133 | 43.8 |
| Natchitoches | 95 | 1.0 | 55 | 0.6 | 4,919 | 50.5 | 152 | 1.6 | 4,513 | 46.4 |
| Orleans | 53 | 0.1 | 1,513 | 3.4 | 34,527 | 78.3 | 1,873 | 4.2 | 6,119 | 13.9 |
| Ouachita | 91 | 0.2 | 349 | 0.9 | 18,008 | 45.5 | 708 | 1.8 | 20,439 | 51.6 |
| Plaquemines | 121 | 2.1 | 224 | 4.0 | 1,419 | 25.1 | 250 | 4.4 | 3,638 | 64.4 |
| Pointe Coupee | 12 | 0.2 | 23 | 0.4 | 2,444 | 45.2 | 86 | 1.6 | 2,847 | 52.6 |
| Rapides | 212 | 0.6 | 378 | 1.1 | 13,060 | 39.0 | 867 | 2.6 | 18,968 | 56.6 |
| Red River | 6 | 0.2 | 3 | 0.1 | 1,341 | 53.2 | 15 | 0.6 | 1,155 | 45.8 |
| Richland | 12 | 0.2 | 8 | 0.2 | 2,312 | 44.4 | 71 | 1.4 | 2,799 | 53.8 |
| Sabine | 491 | 8.4 | 11 | 0.2 | 1,329 | 22.8 | 182 | 3.1 | 3,822 | 65.5 |
| St. Bernard | 15 | 0.4 | 94 | 2.8 | 714 | 21.1 | 265 | 7.8 | 2,294 | 67.8 |
| St. Charles | 36 | 0.3 | 184 | 1.3 | 4,631 | 33.4 | 568 | 4.1 | 8,443 | 60.9 |
| St. Helena | 4 | 0.2 | 2 | 0.1 | 1,563 | 59.8 | 53 | 2.0 | 990 | 37.9 |
| St. James | 6 | 0.1 | 4 | 0.1 | 3,216 | 57.4 | 77 | 1.4 | 2,299 | 41.0 |
| St. John the Baptist | 23 | 0.2 | 121 | 0.9 | 7,968 | 58.0 | 627 | 4.6 | 5,000 | 36.4 |
| St. Landry | 25 | 0.1 | 97 | 0.4 | 12,424 | 50.1 | 316 | 1.3 | 11,920 | 48.1 |
| St. Martin | 45 | 0.3 | 190 | 1.4 | 5,102 | 37.2 | 164 | 1.2 | 8,225 | 59.9 |
| St. Mary | 273 | 2.0 | 210 | 1.5 | 5,278 | 38.9 | 508 | 3.7 | 7,284 | 53.7 |
| St. Tammany | 275 | 0.5 | 993 | 1.7 | 9,459 | 16.0 | 2,698 | 4.6 | 45,537 | 77.2 |
| Tangipahoa | 52 | 0.2 | 156 | 0.5 | 11,486 | 37.8 | 760 | 2.5 | 17,956 | 59.0 |
| Tensas | 1 | 0.1 | 1 | 0.1 | 883 | 64.7 | 53 | 3.9 | 427 | 31.3 |
| Terrebonne | 1,922 | 6.7 | 424 | 1.5 | 6,942 | 24.0 | 834 | 2.9 | 18,779 | 65.0 |
| Union | 7 | 0.1 | 16 | 0.3 | 1,848 | 33.4 | 294 | 5.3 | 3,362 | 60.8 |
| Vermilion | 48 | 0.3 | 431 | 3.0 | 2,936 | 20.5 | 369 | 2.6 | 10,509 | 73.5 |
| Vernon | 160 | 1.1 | 386 | 2.6 | 2,447 | 16.6 | 1,716 | 11.6 | 10,049 | 68.1 |
| Washington | 33 | 0.3 | 25 | 0.2 | 4,388 | 38.0 | 159 | 1.4 | 6,953 | 60.2 |
| Webster | 16 | 0.2 | 49 | 0.5 | 3,969 | 41.5 | 160 | 1.7 | 5,360 | 56.1 |
| West Baton Rouge | 11 | 0.2 | 18 | 0.3 | 2,390 | 41.4 | 119 | 2.1 | 3,240 | 56.1 |
| West Carroll | 2 | 0.1 | 10 | 0.4 | 521 | 20.1 | 72 | 2.8 | 1,989 | 76.7 |
| West Feliciana | 8 | 0.3 | 8 | 0.3 | 1,049 | 42.7 | 19 | 0.8 | 1,370 | 55.8 |
| Winn | 17 | 0.5 | 17 | 0.5 | 1,187 | 34.7 | 40 | 1.2 | 2,160 | 63.1 |