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	Number 1990	Percent	Number 2000	Percent	Number Change	Percent 1990 - 2000
SCHOOL ENROLLMENT						
POPULATION 3 YEARS AND OVER ENROLLED IN SCHOOL ¹	2,676	100.0	1,169	100.0	-1,507	-56.3
Nursery school, preschool	x	x	50	4.3	x	x
Kindergarten	x	x	70	6.0	x	x
Elementary school (included in high school total)			598	51.2	x	x
High school (grades 9-12) (1990: grades 1-12)	1,708	63.8	248	21.2	x	x
College or graduate school	772	28.8	203	17.4	-569	-73.7
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT						
POPULATION 25 YEARS AND OVER	5,854	100.0	5,895	100.0	41	0.7
Less than 9th grade	297	5.1	83	1.4	-214	-72.1
9th to 12th grade, no diploma	708	12.1	274	4.6	-434	-61.3
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	1,915	32.7	853	14.5	-1,062	-55.5
Some college, no degree	1,044	17.8	593	10.1	-451	-43.2
Associate degree	519	8.9	289	4.9	-230	-44.3
Bachelor's degree	865	14.8	419	7.1	-446	-51.6
Graduate or professional degree	506	8.6	384	6.5	-122	-24.1
Percent high school graduate or higher	82.8	x	87.7	x	4.9	x
Percent Bachelor's degree or higher	23.4	x	27.7	x	4.3	x
MARITAL STATUS						
POPULATION 15 YEARS AND OVER	3,306	100.0	3,353	100.0	47	1.4
Never married	672	20.3	653	19.5	-19	-2.8
Now married (not separated)	2,200	66.5	2,197	65.5	-3	-0.1
Separated	50	1.5	67	2.0	17	34.0
Widowed	154	4.7	251	7.5	97	63.0
Female	105	3.2	155	4.6	50	47.6
Divorced	230	7.0	185	5.5	-45	-19.6
Female	97	2.9	58	1.7	-39	-40.2
GRANDPARENTS AS CAREGIVERS						
GRANDPARENT LIVING IN HOUSEHOLD WITH ONE OR MORE OWN GRANDCHILDREN UNDER 18 YEARS ²	x	x	79	100.0	x	x
Grandparents responsible for grandchildren	x	x	0	0.0	x	x
VETERAN STATUS						
CIVILIAN POPULATION 18 YEARS AND OVER	x	x	3,161	100.0	x	x
Civilian veterans	x	x	448	14.2	x	x
DISABILITY STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN NONINSTITUTIONALIZED POPULATION						
POPULATION 5 TO 20 YEARS	x	x	1,029	100.0	x	x
With a disability	x	x	58		x	x
POPULATION 21 TO 64 YEARS	x	x	2,594	100.0	x	x
With a disability	x	x	410	15.8	x	x
Percent employed	x	x	64.4	x	x	x
No disability	x	x	2,184	84.2	x	x
Percent employed	x	x	85.2	x	x	x
POPULATION 65 AND OVER	797	100.0	425	100.0	-372	-46.7
With a disability	339	42.5	181	42.6	-158	-46.6
RESIDENCE IN 1995 (1990 CENSUS: 1985)						
POPULATION 5 YEARS AND OVER	8,577	100.0	4,072	100.0	-4,505	-52.5
Same house	2,590	30.2	2,892	71.0	302	11.7
Different house in the U.S.	1,397	16.3	1,174	28.8	-223	-16.0
Same county	856	10.0	702	17.2	-154	-18.0
Different county	541	6.3	472	11.6	-69	-12.8
Same state	238	2.8	203	5.0	-35	-14.7
Different state	303	3.5	269	6.6	-34	-11.2
Elsewhere (1990: lived abroad)	0	0.0	6	0.1	6	x

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NATIVITY AND PLACE OF BIRTH						
TOTAL POPULATION	9,227	100.0	4,274	100.0	-4,953	-53.7
Native	4,216	45.7	4,203	98.3	-13	-0.3
Born in the United States	4,177	45.3	4,179	97.8	2	0.0
State of residence	3,192	34.6	3,143	73.5	-49	-1.5
Different state	985	10.7	1,036	24.2	51	5.2
Born outside the United States	39	0.4	24	0.6	-15	-38.5
Foreign born	100	1.1	71	1.7	-29	-29.0
Entered 1990 to March 2000 *	12	0.1	6	0.1	-6	-50.0
Naturalized citizen	87	0.9	51	1.2	-36	-41.4
Not a citizen	13	0.1	20	0.5	7	53.8
REGION OF BIRTH OF FOREIGN BORN						
TOTAL FOREIGN BORN POPULATION (except born at sea)	100	100.0	71	100.0	-29	-29.0
Europe	x	x	52	73.2	x	x
Asia	x	x	4	5.6	x	x
Africa	x	x	0	0.0	x	x
Oceania	x	x	0	0.0	x	x
Latin America	x	x	0	0.0	x	x
Northern America	x	x	15	21.1	x	x
LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME						
POPULATION 5 YEARS AND OVER	8,577	100.0	4,072	100.0	-4,505	-52.5
English only	3,809	44.4	3,900	95.8	91	2.4
Language other than English	442	5.2	172	4.2	-270	-61.1
Speak English other than "very well"	63	0.7	31	0.8	-32	-50.8
Spanish	20	0.2	40	1.0	20	100.0
Speak English other than "very well"	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Other Indo-European languages	x	x	123	3.0	x	x
Speak English other than "very well"	x	x	22	0.5	x	x
Asian and Pacific Island languages	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Speak English other than "very well"	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
ANCESTRY (single or multiple)						
TOTAL POPULATION	9,227	100.0	4,274	100.0	-4,953	-53.7
<i>Total ancestries reported</i>	<i>13,106</i>	<i>142.0</i>	<i>5,608</i>	<i>131.2</i>	<i>-7,498</i>	<i>-57.2</i>
Arab	28	0.3	22	0.5	-6	-21.4
Czech ³	10	0.1	21	0.5	11	110.0
Danish	36	0.4	0	0.0	-36	-100.0
Dutch	106	1.1	73	1.7	-33	-31.1
English	2,560	27.7	929	21.7	-1,631	-63.7
French (except Basque) ³	2,230	24.2	649	15.2	-1,581	-70.9
French Canadian ³	950	10.3	284	6.6	-666	-70.1
German	612	6.6	363	8.5	-249	-40.7
Greek	15	0.2	21	0.5	6	40.0
Hungarian	11	0.1	0	0.0	-11	-100.0
Irish ³	2,148	23.3	909	21.3	-1,239	-57.7
Italian	1,643	17.8	864	20.2	-779	-47.4
Lithuanian	18	0.2	3	0.1	-15	-83.3
Norwegian	76	0.8	41	1.0	-35	-46.1
Polish	529	5.7	310	7.3	-219	-41.4
Portuguese	391	4.2	173	4.0	-218	-55.8
Russian	46	0.5	10	0.2	-36	-78.3
Scotch-Irish	254	2.8	43	1.0	-211	-83.1
Scottish	461	5.0	133	3.1	-328	-71.1
Slovak	6	0.1	0	0.0	-6	-100.0
Subsaharan African	11	0.1	8	0.2	-3	-27.3
Swedish	177	1.9	277	6.5	100	56.5
Swiss	6	0.1	37	0.9	31	516.7
Ukrainian	43	0.5	5	0.1	-38	-88.4
United States or American	150	1.6	253	5.9	103	68.7
Welsh	43	0.5	8	0.2	-35	-81.4
West Indian (excluding Hispanic groups)	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0
Other ancestries	546	5.9	172	4.0	-374	-68.5

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* 1990 census: entered 1980 to 1990.

¹ In 1990, persons who were enrolled and reported completing nursery school or less were classified as enrolled in "preprimary school", which includes kindergarten. Elementary school and High school combined into one data field in 1990.

² Question relating to "grandparents as caregivers" not asked in 1990 census.

³ The data represent a combination of two ancestries shown separately in Summary File 3. Czech includes Czechoslovakian. French includes Alsatian. French Canadian includes Acadian/Cajun. Irish includes Celtic.