

**COMMUNITY
PROFILE**
Middlesex County, New Jersey

COMMUNITY CHARACTERISTIC	2004	2003	2002	2001	2000
Population					
Total population	764,275	760,175	754,729	736,370	729,342
Male	49.2	49.0	48.8	48.7	49.3
Male median age	36	35	36	36	35
Female	50.8	51.0	51.2	51.3	50.7
Female median age	39	37	37	38	37
Under 18 years of age	24.5	24.3	24.4	22.2	24.2
Male	51.7	50.8	50.3	49.9	52.8
Female	48.3	49.2	49.7	50.1	47.2
Between 18 and 64 years of age	63.5	64.1	63.6	65.5	63.4
Male	49.8	49.8	49.3	50.1	49.5
Female	50.2	50.2	50.7	49.9	50.5
Over 65 years of age	12.0	11.6	12.0	12.3	12.3
Male	41.4	40.7	43.3	39.7	41.7
Female	58.6	59.3	56.7	60.3	58.3
Race (Alone or in combination with one or more other races) ¹					
White	61.7	65.0	67.0	64.0	68.7
Black or African American	9.4	8.6	8.6	8.6	8.2
American Indian and Alaska Native	0.1	0.2	0.5	0.6	0.2
Asian	17.6	16.8	16.3	15.0	14.1
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	0.3	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
Other Race category	10.9	9.4	7.7	11.9	8.8
Hispanic or Latino Origin (of any race)	15.9	15.4	15.0	14.2	13.7
Immigrants and U.S. Citizenship Status					
Total immigrant population	224,583	184,696	191,077	184,696	174,996
Entered U.S. before 1980	24.2	22.9	23.8	21.7	27.5
Naturalized U.S. citizen	88.4	87.4	91.4	86.7	86.9
Not a U.S. citizen	11.6	12.6	8.6	13.3	13.1
Entered U.S. between 1980 and 1989	24.7	19.8	30.2	27.8	25.9
Naturalized U.S. citizen	70.0	72.4	64.6	66.3	59.3
Not a U.S. citizen	30.0	27.6	35.4	33.7	40.7
Entered U.S. between 1990 and 1999 ²	32.7	38.7	36.5	50.5	46.7
Naturalized U.S. citizen	27.9	32.6	25.5	15.1	12.2
Not a U.S. citizen	72.1	67.4	74.5	84.9	87.8
Entered U.S. 2000 or later	18.3	18.5	9.5	Not Available	Not Available
Naturalized U.S. citizen	2.5	7.6	1.0	Not Available	Not Available

Not a U.S. citizen	97.5	92.4	99.0	Not Available	Not Available
Household Structure					
Total households	270,617	266,660	260,800	266,660	261,173
Family households	203,949	197,939	179,305	192,491	181,216
Married households	72.5	79.6	81.9	77.3	78.4
Female householder, no spouse present	20.0	15.1	14.3	16.2	13.9
Male householder, no spouse present	7.5	5.3	3.8	6.5	7.7
Non-family households	10,897	11,610	12,172	13,102	18,253
Educational Attainment³					
Less than high school completed	12.7	10.9	13.1	15.6	13.0
High School graduate (includes equivalency)	30.3	30.3	28.1	28.7	29.3
Some college completed	21.4	21.9	24.3	21.6	22.2
Bachelor's degree completed	20.9	24.2	21.1	20.8	22.2
Graduate or professional degree completed	14.7	12.7	13.3	13.4	13.2
Income Indicators⁴					
Median family Income	\$80,174	\$73,454	\$79,608	\$77,225	\$79,077
Per capita income	\$30,005	\$28,385	\$30,983	\$30,716	\$30,013
Families below poverty within last 12 months					
Total families	8,979	9,417	8,617	13,450	7,123
Married-Couple families	27.6	57.0	44.9	35.9	61.9
Female householder, no spouse present	45.8	34.4	52.8	49.1	35.7
Male householder, no spouse present	26.5	8.6	2.3	15.0	2.4
Households received income assistance	2.7	1.1	0.6	1.1	1.2
Households received food stamps	2.5	1.3	1.9	3.5	1.6
Households received social security income	27.1	24.9	25.5	25.6	24.7
Households received supplemental security income	3.0	2.3	2.2	2.5	1.5
Employment Sectors⁵					
Total employment	373,221	371,197	370,295	370,539	366,097
For profit companies	72.6	71.2	73.2	72.9	72.1
Self-employed	7.9	7.6	6.2	7.4	8.1
Not-for-profit organizations	4.9	7.0	5.0	5.0	4.7
Local, state and federal government	14.2	14.1	15.4	14.5	14.9
Occupation⁶					
Management, business & related fields	17.2	17.1	15.6	17.0	17.8
Professional & related fields	25.6	25.1	25.6	25.4	25.4
Service	11.1	12.1	10.3	10.2	9.1
Sales & office	28.2	27.7	29.2	26.7	29.2
Farming, fishing, & forestry	0.0	0.1	0.1	0.0	0.0
Construction, extraction, maintenance & repair	7.8	6.8	7.7	6.8	6.3
Production, transportation, & material moving	4.1	5.7	6.6	7.3	6.8

Transportation & material moving	6.0	5.4	4.9	6.5	5.3
Unemployment rate⁷	7.0	8.0	5.8	6.3	4.0
Travel Time to Work					
Less than 29minutes	53.9	54.1	55.9	54.1	57.1
Between 30 and 59 minutes	31.1	30.1	29.5	30.1	27.1
More than 59 minutes	15.1	15.8	14.6	15.8	15.9
Housing					
Occupied housing units	270,617	271,312	260,800	266,660	261,173
Owner occupied	69.9	68.5	69.7	66.9	68.1
Renter occupied	30.1	31.5	30.3	33.2	31.9
Median housing value ⁸	\$287,334	\$255,811	\$208,078	\$187,270	\$172,022
Median gross rent ⁹	\$1,017	\$972	\$870	\$914	\$862
Housing affordability (Rent cost as a percentage of household income) ¹⁰					
Rent more than 50 % of household income	23.2	19.0	12.5	19.6	10.8
Rent between 30 %and 50% of household income	20.1	19.8	16.0	22.9	20.8
Vacancy rate	3.6	3.2	6.6	3.7	4.8
Tenure of housing structures ¹¹					
Built in 1939 or earlier	11.8	10.7	11.5	12.4	12.6
Built between 1940 and 1959	23.1	24.4	26.0	27.6	23.7
Built between 1960 and 1979	30.0	31.4	28.3	28.0	31.0
Built between 1980 and 1999 ¹²	30.6	30.5	30.8	28.9	30.9
Build in 2000 or later ¹³	4.5	3.1	3.4	3.1	1.9

¹ In combination with one or more other races listed. The six numbers may add to more than the total population and the six percentages may add to more than 100 percent because individuals may report more than one race. (Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000 Summary File 1, Matrices P1, P3, P4, P8, P9, P12, P17, P18, P19, P20, P23, P27, P28, P33, PCT5, PCT8, PCT15, H1, H3, H4, H5, H11, and H12).

² 2000 – 2001 category is “year of entry 1990 – 2000” (source: P040). 2002 - 2004 category is “year of entry 1990 – 1999” (source: P040, B05005).

³ These figures relate to population 25yrs and over.

⁴ 2004 Inflation – adjusted Dollars.

⁵ These figures relate to the civilian employed population 16 years of age and older in labor force.

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⁸ 2000 – 2003 value for Specified Owner-Occupied Housing Units (source: H074), 2004 value for Owner-Occupied Housing Units (source: B25075).

⁹ 2000 – 2003 gross rent for Specified Renter-Occupied Housing Units (source: H061), 2004 gross rent for Renter-Occupied Housing Units (source: B25064).

¹⁰ 2000 – 2003 gross rent percentage for Specified Renter-Occupied Housing Units (source: H061), 2004 gross rent percentage for Renter-Occupied Housing Units (source: B25064).

¹¹ 2000 – 2003 figures relate to occupied housing units (source: H033), 2004 figures relate to total housing units (source: B25034).

¹² 2000 – 2003 category is “Built between 1980 and 1998” (source: H033), 2004 category is “Built between 1980 – 1999” (source: B25034).

¹³ 2000 – 2003 category is “Built 1999 or later” (source: H033), 2004 category is “Built 2000 or later” (source: B25034).