

Census 2000 Quick Facts

	City of Las Cruces		Doña Ana County	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Population 2000	74,267	100.0	174,682	100.0
Population, % change, 1990 - 2000		19.5		28.9
Estimated Population July 1, 2006	86,268	100.0	193,888	100.0
Age Distribution				
Under 5 to 9 years	10,446	14.1	28,255	16.2
10 to 19 years	11,298	15.2	31,056	17.8
20 to 34 years	18,752	25.2	38,486	22.0
35 to 54 years	18,241	24.5	44,853	25.6
55 to 64 years	5,809	7.8	13,520	7.7
65 years and over	9,721	13.1	18,512	10.6
Median Age (years)	31.2		30.2	
Race				
One Race	71,224	95.9	168,437	96.4
White	51,248	69.0	118,478	67.8
Black or African American	1,738	2.3	2,723	1.6
American Indian or Alaska Native	1,289	1.7	2,580	1.5
Asian	863	1.2	1,330	0.8
Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander	55	0.1	117	0.01
Some other Race	16,031	21.6	43,209	24.7
Two or more races	3,043	4.1	6,245	3.6
Hispanic or Latino	38,421	51.7	110,665	63.4
Not Hispanic or Latino	35,846	48.3	64,017	36.6
White alone	31,208	42.0	56,688	32.5
School Enrollment (Population 3 years & over enrolled in school)				
Nursery school through Elementary (grades 1-8)	10,805	42.6	30,132	50.2
High school (grades 9-12)	4,056	16.0	12,123	20.2
College or graduate school	10,495	41.4	17,779	29.6
Educational Attainment (Population 25 years & over)				
High school graduate or higher	35,312	80.3	69,971	70.0
Bachelor's degree or higher	12,498	28.4	22,269	22.3
Households				
Total Households	29,184	100.0	59,556	100.0
Family households	18,130	62.1	42,912	72.1
Nonfamily households	11,054	37.9	16,644	27.9
Average household size	2.46		2.85	
Average family size	3.05		3.36	
Housing Occupancy				
Total housing units	31,682	100.0	65,210	100.0
Homeowner vacancy rate (percent)	2.3		1.8	
Rental vacancy rate (percent)	9.3		10.3	
Housing Tenure				
Occupied housing units	29,184	100.0	59,556	100.0
Owner-occupied housing units	16,960	58.1	40,208	67.5
Renter-occupied housing units	12,224	41.9	19,348	32.5

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000

Summarized by Mesilla Valley Economic Development Alliance