CHAPTER 1

POPULATION TRENDS

According to U.S. Census Bureau estimates, Fort Worth's population is 874,168 and the City is ranked 15th in the nation. Fort Worth's ranking had remained consistent at 16th since 2010, with one anomalous estimate year in 2013 when Fort Worth ranked 17th. Fort Worth is estimated to have added 18,664 people between July of 2016 and 2017, equating to 51 people per day.

Since April 1, 2010, Fort Worth’s growth rate has slowed compared with the rapid growth of the 2000s and is more in line with growth experienced in the 1990s. Between July 1, 2013 and July 1, 2017, Fort Worth added an additional 81,441 people, representing an annual average growth rate of 1.96 percent.
QUICK FACTS

CURRENT POPULATION

FORT WORTH 874,168

DALLAS/FORT WORTH 7,400,479

TEXAS 28,304,596

UNITED STATES 325,719,178

Source: U.S. Census Bureau Annual Estimates of Resident Population

FORT WORTH POPULATION, 1950-2045

Fort Worth has a larger population than Denver, San Francisco, Seattle, Portland, Boston, Charlotte, and Washington DC.

Source: NCTCOG and U.S. Census Bureau Annual Estimates of Resident Population

342.2
15th
132,962
2,535
29.7%
32.9

LAND AREA IN SQUARE MILES
NATIONAL POPULATION RANK
POPULATION CHANGE 2010-2017
POPULATION DENSITY PER SQUARE MILE
BACHELORS DEGREE OR HIGHER
MEDIAN AGE

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2017 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates
EXISTING POPULATION DENSITY

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2013-2017 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

PROJECTED POPULATION GROWTH

Projected Growth in People per Acre 2010-2045

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2010 Census and North Central Texas Council of Government Demographic Forecast, 2017
While Fort Worth's total population grows, there will also be changes in the composition of the population. Collectively, minorities have become the majority. The percentage of the population over the age of 65 will continue increasing through 2040. Changes in age composition will result in a need for different types of housing and services.
While the aging baby boom generation (those born between 1946 and 1964) is expected to increase demand on social services, Fort Worth is a relatively young city compared to the U.S. and Texas.
EDUCATION AND LANGUAGE

EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT COMPARISON

Bachelor’s or Higher
- Fort Worth: 32.0%
- DFW: 29.6%
- Texas: 29.7%
- United States: 34.6%

Some College or Associates
- Fort Worth: 28.9%
- DFW: 28.4%
- Texas: 27.7%
- United States: 29.0%

High School Degree or Equivalent
- Fort Worth: 25.1%
- DFW: 22.5%
- Texas: 23.7%
- United States: 27.1%

No High School Degree
- Fort Worth: 16.4%
- DFW: 14.6%
- Texas: 18.8%
- United States: 27.1%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2017 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates

LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME

- English Only: 66.7%
- Spanish: 27.4%
- Asian-Pacific Islander: 3.0%
- Other Indo-European: 1.9%
- Other: 1.1%
- 33.8% Other Languages

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2017 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates

BACHELORS DEGREE OR HIGHER

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Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2017 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates

1 in 6

Texas residents were born in a foreign country according to the Texas Demographer report "The Foreign-Born Population in Texas: Sources of Growth", 2015

33.8%

Fort Worth households that speak a language other than English according to the U.S. Census Bureau, 2017 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates
FORT WORTH HOUSEHOLD SIZE

Average Household Size

2.86 Persons

Nonfamily Households

32%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2017 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates

One-person households and two-person households constitute more than half of the total population in Fort Worth.

HOUSEHOLD SIZE AND STATUS

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2017 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2017 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates

HOUSEHOLD STATUS COMPARISON

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2017 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates