

SUMMARY

These intercensal population estimates for 2001-2009* for the towns and counties of Vermont, and the age-sex distribution of the counties, update and replace the postcensal estimates which have been published in the past decade. These new estimates are based on the 2000 and 2010 Census counts.

The Vermont population increased from 608,827 in 2000 to 625,741 in 2010, an increase of 16,419 (2.8%). The largest increase in population was seen in Chittenden County, an increase of 9,974 people, this was also the largest percentage increase at 6.8%. Three counties (Essex, Rutland, Windsor) lost population from 2000 to 2010.

The age distribution of Vermont's population changed noticeably from 2000 to 2010. There was a decline in population aged less than 15, and from 30-44. The largest increase was seen in the population aged 55-64.

These estimates smooth out some of the larger year-to-year fluctuations seen in the earlier post-censal estimates. Most notably, the 2001 postcensal estimates were produced without benefit of age detail from the 2000 Census, so the 2001 post-censal age group estimates were not very accurate. Also, the post-censal estimates over-estimated the population in the 20-29 age group, over-estimated growth in Grand Isle County, and a data error led to a very high estimate for the 2009 Lamoille County age 65 and over population.

A description of the methods used to produce these estimates is included at the end of this report.

* In October 2012, The U.S. Census Bureau released revised intercensal estimates for 2001-2009. As of January 4, 2013, the data posted here reflect those revisions and should replace any population data downloaded from this site prior to that date.