

Boston's Population - 2000

3. Changes in Youth Population (under 18) by Race and Ethnicity in Boston and Boston's Neighborhoods – 1990 to 2000 (PL 94-171 Initial Release)



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Age and Racial/Ethnic Categories Used in the 2000 Census

This report is based on the U.S. Census Bureau's initial release in March of 2001 of PL 94-171 data for the year 2000. In this first release of data, the Census Bureau categorizes persons as either "18 Years and Over" or "Under 18 Years." The purpose of this categorization is primarily to provide data on voting age adults for redistricting purposes. The data on youth under 18 years, however, are also valuable. This report provides an analysis of these 2000 census data showing information both by age - youth (under 18 years old) and adults (18 years and over) - and their racial and ethnic composition for the city as a whole and for its neighborhoods

Over the years, the U.S. Census Bureau has changed the description of and increased the number of its racial categories to accommodate the way respondents identify themselves. By 2000, the number of racial categories had increased to 63, as the Census Bureau, for the first time, permitted respondents to classify themselves in more than one category. The Bureau then collapsed the 63 categories into eight major categories. (In 1990, there were only six categories.) Meanwhile, the Census Bureau has continued to divide persons in all racial groups into one of two ethnic categories: either Hispanic or Latino or Not Hispanic or Latino, for a total of 126 racial-ethnic categories.

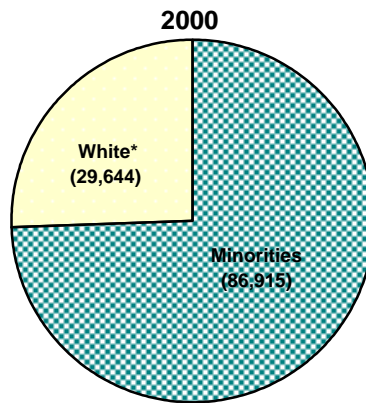
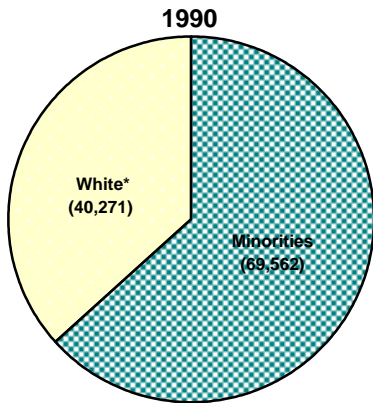
To preserve the ability to compare the 2000 Census results with those of past years and to track changes in Boston's racial and ethnic diversity, it has been necessary to reduce the Census Bureau's eight categories to seven categories as shown in the following chart.

Census Bureau Categories	BRA Categories
1. White (Non-Hispanic)	1. White*
2. Black or African American (Non-Hispanic)	2. Black/African American*
3. Hispanic or Latino (across all racial categories including Multi-Racial)	3. Hispanic
4. Asian (Non-Hispanic)	4. Asian/Pacific Islander*
5. Native Hawaiian & Other Pacific Islander (Non-Hispanic)	5. Native American*
6. American Indian or Alaskan Native (Non-Hispanic)	6. Other Single Race*
7. Other Races (Non-Hispanic)	7. Multi-Racial*
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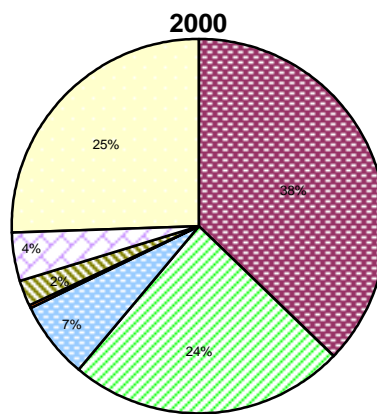
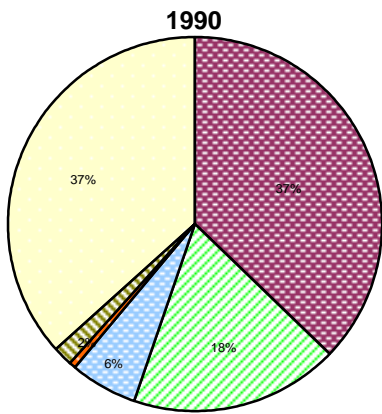
* Non-Hispanic

Using these age and racial and ethnic categories, the charts and tables which follow present an overview of the Boston's youth and adult population in 2000 in the city as a whole as well as its neighborhoods. A comparison of changes over time using these categories will be available at a later date.

YOUTH POPULATION CHANGE IN BOSTON



Racial/Ethnic Composition

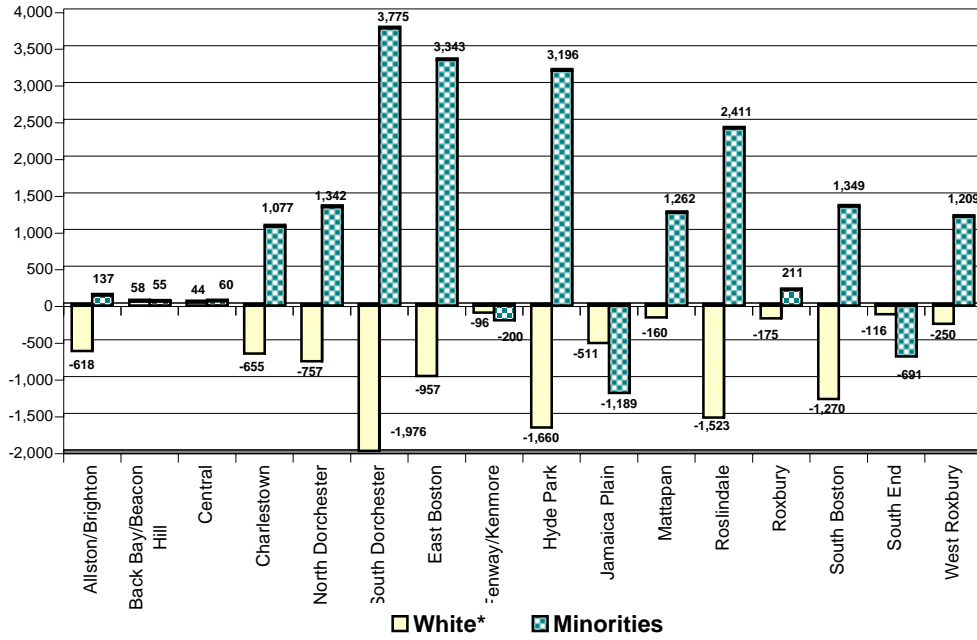


	1990		2000		Number Change	Percent Change
White*	40,271	36.7%	29,644	25.4%	-10,627	-26.4%
Black/African American*	40,957	37.3%	43,408	37.2%	2,451	6.0%
Hispanic	19,836	18.1%	27,831	23.9%	7,995	40.3%
Asian/Pacific Islander*	6,390	5.8%	7,774	6.7%	1,384	21.7%
Native American*	414	0.4%	446	0.4%	32	7.7%
Other Single Race*	1,965	1.8%	2,549	2.2%	584	29.7%
Multi-Racial*			4,907		NA	NA
Total	109,833	100.0%	116,559	100.0%	6,726	6.1%
White*	40,271	36.7%	29,644	25.4%	-10,627	-35.8%
Minorities	69,562	63.3%	86,915	74.6%	17,353	20.0%

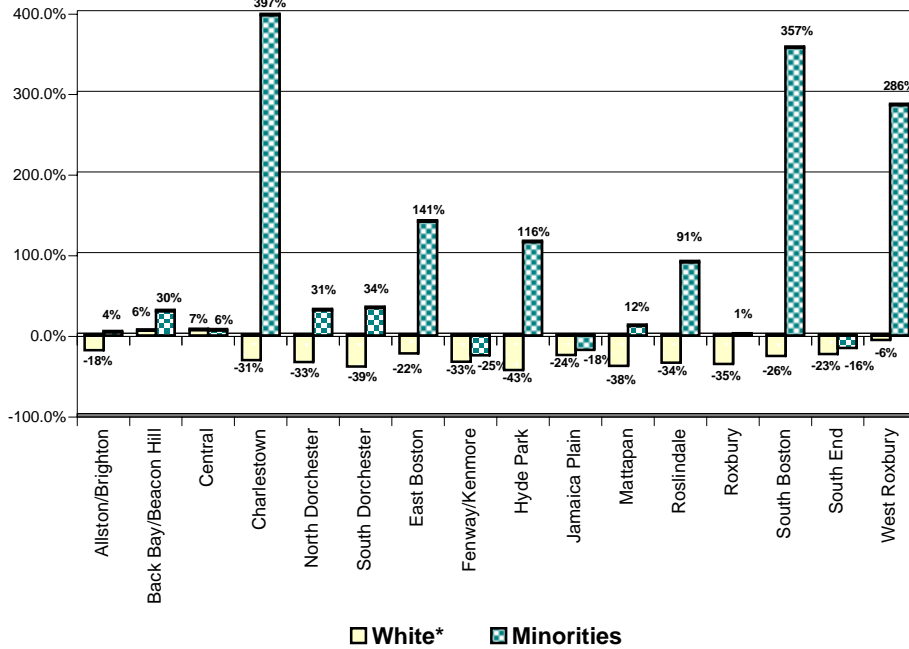
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YOUTH CHANGE BY NEIGHBORHOOD

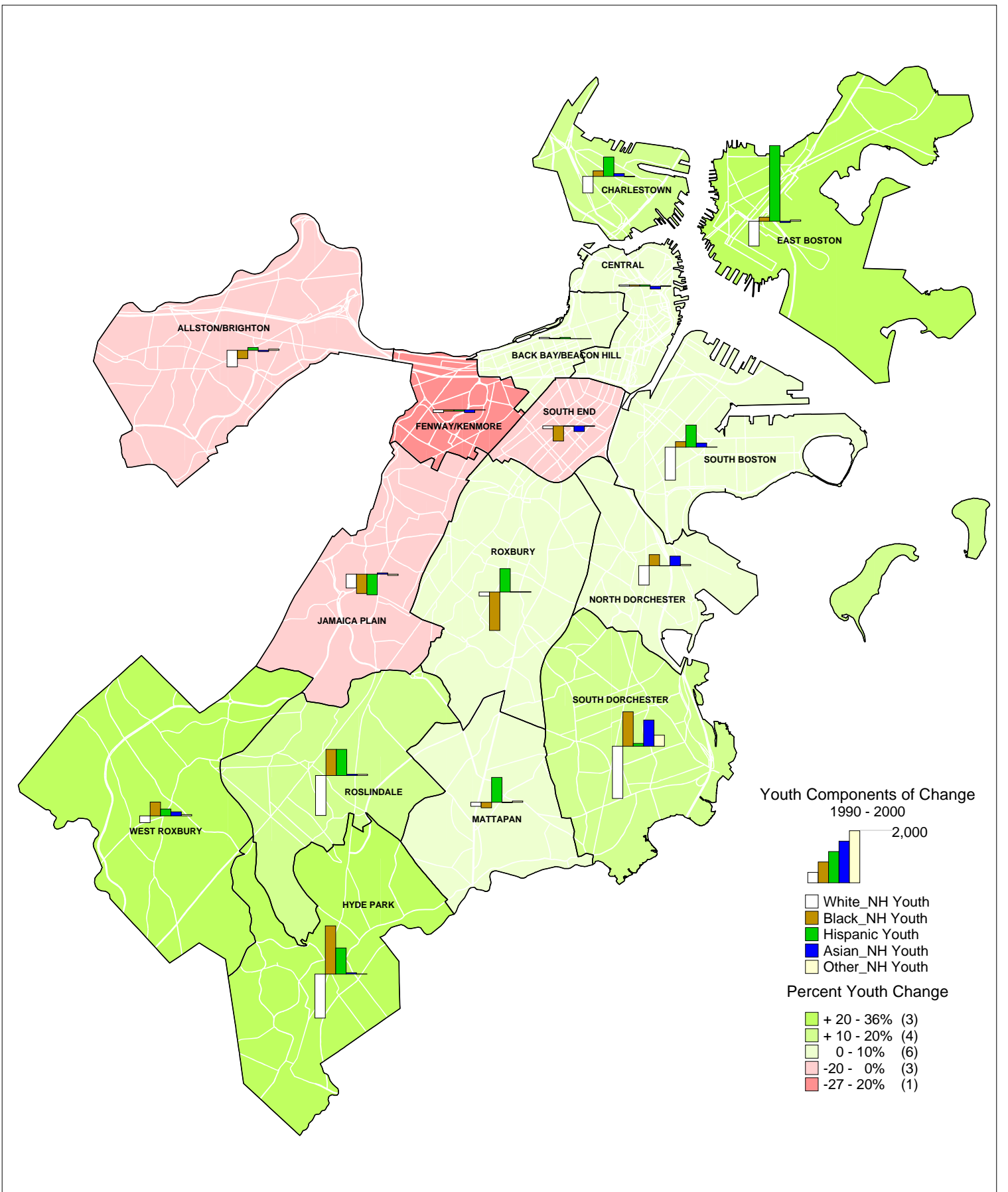
Change in Number



Change in Percentage



*Non-Hispanic



Boston Youth Racial Change and Ethnic Shifts, 1990 - 2000

Source: 2000 U.S. Census, PL94-171

YOUTH POPULATION CHANGE 1990 to 2000 by NEIGHBORHOOD

		1990		2000		No. Change	% Change
Allston-Brighton							
	White*	3,350	48.1%	2,732	42.1%	-618	-18.4%
	Black/African American*	968	13.9%	665	10.3%	-303	-31.3%
	Hispanic	1,278	18.3%	1,363	21.0%	85	6.7%
	Asian/Pacific Islander*	1,300	18.7%	1,254	19.3%	-46	-3.5%
	Native American*	10	0.1%	17	0.3%	7	70.0%
	Other Single Race*	60	0.9%	129	2.0%	69	115.0%
	Multi-Racial*			325	5.0%	NA	NA
	Total	6,966	100.0%	6,485	100.0%	-481	-6.9%
	White*	3,350	48.1%	2,732	42.1%	-618	-18.4%
	Minorities	3,616	51.9%	3,753	57.9%	137	3.8%
Back Bay/Beacon Hill							
	White*	1,006	84.7%	1,064	81.8%	58	5.8%
	Black/African American*	56	4.7%	77	5.9%	21	37.5%
	Hispanic	36	3.0%	64	4.9%	28	77.8%
	Asian/Pacific Islander*	80	6.7%	55	4.2%	-25	-31.3%
	Native American*	2	0.2%	3	0.2%	1	50.0%
	Other Single Race*	8	0.7%	2	0.2%	-6	-75.0%
	Multi-Racial*			36	2.8%	NA	NA
	Total	1,188	100.0%	1,301	100.0%	113	9.5%
	White*	1,006		1,064	81.8%	58	5.8%
	Minorities	182		237	18.2%	55	30.2%
Central							
	White*	663	40.0%	707	40.1%	44	6.6%
	Black/African American*	77	4.6%	128	7.3%	51	66.2%
	Hispanic	77	4.6%	152	8.6%	75	97.4%
	Asian/Pacific Islander*	839	50.6%	722	41.0%	-117	-13.9%
	Native American*	1	0.1%	-	0.0%	-1	-100.0%
	Other Single Race*	-	0.0%	2	0.1%	2	100.0%
	Multi-Racial*			50	2.8%	NA	NA
	Total	1,657	100.0%	1,761	100.0%	104	6.3%
	White*	663	40.0%	707	40.1%	44	6.6%
	Minorities	994	60.0%	1,054	59.9%	60	6.0%
Charlestown							
	White*	2,131	88.7%	1,476	52.3%	-655	-30.7%
	Black/African American*	36	1.5%	241	8.5%	205	569.4%
	Hispanic	105	4.4%	837	29.6%	732	697.1%
	Asian/Pacific Islander*	111	4.6%	224	7.9%	113	101.8%
	Native American*	18	0.7%	5	0.2%	-13	-72.2%
	Other Single Race*	1	0.0%	4	0.1%	3	300.0%
	Multi-Racial*			37	1.3%	NA	NA
	Total	2,402	100.0%	2,824	100.0%	422	17.6%
	White*	2,131	88.7%	1,476	52.3%	-655	-30.7%
	Minorities	271	11.3%	1,348	47.7%	1,077	397.4%

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North Dorchester		1990		2000		No. Change	% Change
	White*	2,277	34.5%	1,520	21.2%	-757	-33.2%
	Black/African American*	1,761	26.7%	2,208	30.7%	447	25.4%
	Hispanic	1,334	20.2%	1,317	18.3%	-17	-1.3%
	Asian/Pacific Islander*	571	8.7%	928	12.9%	357	62.5%
	Native American*	49	0.7%	39	0.5%	-10	-20.4%
	Other Single Race*	605	9.2%	658	9.2%	53	8.8%
	Multi-Racial*			512	7.1%	NA	NA
	Total	6,597	100.0%	7,182	100.0%	585	8.9%
	White*	2,277	34.5%	1,520	21.2%	-757	-33.2%
	Minorities	4,320	65.5%	5,662	78.8%	1,342	31.1%
South Dorchester		1990		2000		No. Change	% Change
	White*	5,087	31.5%	3,111	17.3%	-1,976	-38.8%
	Black/African American*	7,498	46.4%	8,819	49.1%	1,321	17.6%
	Hispanic	2,388	14.8%	2,474	13.8%	86	3.6%
	Asian/Pacific Islander*	704	4.4%	1,719	9.6%	1,015	144.2%
	Native American*	78	0.5%	107	0.6%	29	37.2%
	Other Single Race*	398	2.5%	778	4.3%	380	95.5%
	Multi-Racial*			944	5.3%	NA	NA
	Total	16,153	100.0%	17,952	100.0%	1,799	11.1%
	White*	5,087	31.5%	3,111	17.3%	-1,976	-38.8%
	Minorities	11,066	68.5%	14,841	82.7%	3,775	34.1%
East Boston		1990		2000		No. Change	% Change
	White*	4,298	64.5%	3,341	36.9%	-957	-22.3%
	Black/African American*	292	4.4%	468	5.2%	176	60.3%
	Hispanic	1,525	22.9%	4,415	48.8%	2,890	189.5%
	Asian/Pacific Islander*	478	7.2%	441	4.9%	-37	-7.7%
	Native American*	43	0.6%	21	0.2%	-22	-51.2%
	Other Single Race*	27	0.4%	84	0.9%	57	211.1%
	Multi-Racial*			279	3.1%	NA	NA
	Total	6,663	100.0%	9,049	100.0%	2,386	35.8%
	White*	4,298	64.5%	3,341	36.9%	-957	-22.3%
	Minorities	2,365	35.5%	5,708	63.1%	3,343	141.4%
Fenway/Kenmore		1990		2000		No. Change	% Change
	White*	295	26.9%	199	24.8%	-96	-32.5%
	Black/African American*	259	23.6%	200	25.0%	-59	-22.8%
	Hispanic	259	23.6%	209	26.1%	-50	-19.3%
	Asian/Pacific Islander*	247	22.5%	124	15.5%	-123	-49.8%
	Native American*	8	0.7%	-	0.0%	-8	-100.0%
	Other Single Race*	29	2.6%	12	1.5%	-17	-58.6%
	Multi-Racial*			57	7.1%	NA	NA
	Total	1,097	100.0%	801	100.0%	-296	-27.0%
	White*	295	26.9%	199	24.8%	-96	-32.5%
	Minorities	802	73.1%	602	75.2%	-200	-24.9%

YOUTH POPULATION CHANGE 1990 to 2000 by NEIGHBORHOOD

Neighborhood	Race/Ethnicity	1990		2000		No. Change	% Change
		No.	%	No.	%		
Hyde Park	White*	3,875	58.4%	2,215	27.1%	-1,660	-42.8%
	Black/African American*	2,144	32.3%	3,977	48.7%	1,833	85.5%
	Hispanic	469	7.1%	1,460	17.9%	991	211.3%
	Asian/Pacific Islander*	97	1.5%	128	1.6%	31	32.0%
	Native American*	16	0.2%	26	0.3%	10	62.5%
	Other Single Race*	36	0.5%	49	0.6%	13	36.1%
	Multi-Racial*			318	3.9%	NA	NA
	Total	6,637	100.0%	8,173	100.0%	1,536	23.1%
	White*	3,875	58.4%	2,215	27.1%	-1,660	-42.8%
	Minorities	2,762	41.6%	5,958	72.9%	3,196	115.7%
Jamaica Plain	White*	2,088	23.9%	1,577	22.4%	-511	-24.5%
	Black/African American*	2,446	28.0%	1,709	24.3%	-737	-30.1%
	Hispanic	3,684	42.1%	2,896	41.1%	-788	-21.4%
	Asian/Pacific Islander*	422	4.8%	494	7.0%	72	17.1%
	Native American*	31	0.4%	25	0.4%	-6	-19.4%
	Other Single Race*	76	0.9%	46	0.7%	-30	-39.5%
	Multi-Racial*			300	4.3%	NA	NA
	Total	8,747	100.0%	7,047	100.0%	-1,700	-19.4%
	White*	2,088	23.9%	1,577	22.4%	-511	-24.5%
	Minorities	6,659	76.1%	5,470	77.6%	-1,189	-17.9%
Mattapan	White*	422	3.8%	262	2.1%	-160	-37.9%
	Black/African American*	9,463	85.0%	9,237	75.5%	-226	-2.4%
	Hispanic	1,046	9.4%	2,010	16.4%	964	92.2%
	Asian/Pacific Islander*	108	1.0%	90	0.7%	-18	-16.7%
	Native American*	34	0.3%	48	0.4%	14	41.2%
	Other Single Race*	64	0.6%	84	0.7%	20	31.3%
	Multi-Racial*			508	4.2%	NA	NA
	Total	11,137	100.0%	12,239	100.0%	1,102	9.9%
	White*	422	3.8%	262	2.1%	-160	-37.9%
	Minorities	10,715	96.2%	11,977	97.9%	1,262	11.8%
Roslindale	White*	4,502	62.9%	2,979	37.0%	-1,523	-33.8%
	Black/African American*	906	12.7%	1,881	23.4%	975	107.6%
	Hispanic	1,423	19.9%	2,407	29.9%	984	69.1%
	Asian/Pacific Islander*	288	4.0%	322	4.0%	34	11.8%
	Native American*	15	0.2%	21	0.3%	6	40.0%
	Other Single Race*	27	0.4%	59	0.7%	32	118.5%
	Multi-Racial*			380	4.7%	NA	NA
	Total	7,161	100.0%	8,049	100.0%	888	12.4%
	White*	4,502	62.9%	2,979	37.0%	-1,523	-33.8%
	Minorities	2,659	37.1%	5,070	63.0%	2,411	90.7%

YOUTH POPULATION CHANGE 1990 to 2000 by NEIGHBORHOOD

Neighborhood	1990		2000		No. Change	% Change
	No.	%	No.	%		
Roxbury						
White*	495	2.7%	320	1.7%	-175	-35.4%
Black/African American*	12,696	69.0%	11,238	60.9%	-1,458	-11.5%
Hispanic	4,487	24.4%	5,371	29.1%	884	19.7%
Asian/Pacific Islander*	86	0.5%	102	0.6%	16	18.6%
Native American*	59	0.3%	86	0.5%	27	45.8%
Other Single Race*	584	3.2%	575	3.1%	-9	-1.5%
Multi-Racial*			751	4.1%	NA	NA
Total	18,407	100.0%	18,443	100.0%	36	0.2%
White*	495	2.7%	320	1.7%	-175	-35.4%
Minorities	17,912	97.3%	18,123	98.3%	211	1.2%
South Boston						
White*	4,974	92.9%	3,704	68.2%	-1,270	-25.5%
Black/African American*	83	1.6%	307	5.7%	224	269.9%
Hispanic	97	1.8%	954	17.6%	857	883.5%
Asian/Pacific Islander*	164	3.1%	316	5.8%	152	92.7%
Native American*	27	0.5%	21	0.4%	-6	-22.2%
Other Single Race*	7	0.1%	20	0.4%	13	185.7%
Multi-Racial*			109	2.0%	NA	NA
Total	5,352	100.0%	5,431	100.0%	79	1.5%
White*	4,974	92.9%	3,704	68.2%	-1,270	-25.5%
Minorities	378	7.1%	1,727	31.8%	1,349	356.9%
South End						
White*	504	10.2%	388	9.4%	-116	-23.0%
Black/African American*	2,144	43.4%	1,573	38.1%	-571	-26.6%
Hispanic	1,460	29.5%	1,450	35.1%	-10	-0.7%
Asian/Pacific Islander*	777	15.7%	569	13.8%	-208	-26.8%
Native American*	15	0.3%	10	0.2%	-5	-33.3%
Other Single Race*	41	0.8%	20	0.5%	-21	-51.2%
Multi-Racial*			124	0.0%	NA	NA
Total	4,941	100.0%	4,134	100.0%	-807	-16.3%
White*	504	10.2%	388	9.4%	-116	-23.0%
Minorities	4,437	89.8%	3,746	90.6%	-691	-15.6%
West Roxbury						
White*	4,297	91.0%	4,047	71.3%	-250	-5.8%
Black/African American*	127	2.7%	676	11.9%	549	432.3%
Hispanic	168	3.6%	449	7.9%	281	167.3%
Asian/Pacific Islander*	118	2.5%	286	5.0%	168	142.4%
Native American*	8	0.2%	17	0.3%	9	112.5%
Other Single Race*	2	0.0%	27	0.5%	25	1250.0%
Multi-Racial*			177	0.0%	NA	NA
Total	4,720	100.0%	5,679	100.0%	959	20.3%
White*	4,297	91.0%	4,047	71.3%	-250	-5.8%
Minorities	423	9.0%	1,632	28.7%	1,209	285.8%

* Non-Hispanic

Note. The above data do not include the Harbor Islands with 8 youth in 1990 and 9 youth in 2000.