

<b>Table 3. Population Change in the 100 Fastest-Growing Metropolitan Statistical Areas: April 1, 2000 to July 1, 2006</b>					
<b>(Number of metropolitan statistical areas=361)</b>					
<b>Rank in percent change</b>	<b>Metropolitan statistical area</b>	<b>July 1, 2006 population estimate</b>	<b>April 1, 2000 estimates base</b>	<b>Change, 2000 to 2006</b>	
				<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>
1	St. George, UT	126,312	90,354	35,958	39.8
2	Greeley, CO <sup>1</sup>	236,857	180,861	55,996	31.0
3	Cape Coral-Fort Myers, FL	571,344	440,888	130,456	29.6
4	Bend, OR	149,140	115,367	33,773	29.3
5	Las Vegas-Paradise, NV	1,777,539	1,375,738	401,801	29.2
6	Provo-Orem, UT	474,180	376,778	97,402	25.9
7	Naples-Marco Island, FL	314,649	251,377	63,272	25.2
8	Raleigh-Cary, NC	994,551	797,025	197,526	24.8
9	Gainesville, GA	173,256	139,315	33,941	24.4
10	Phoenix-Mesa-Scottsdale, AZ	4,039,182	3,251,876	787,306	24.2
11	Prescott, AZ	208,014	167,517	40,497	24.2
12	Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario, CA	4,026,135	3,254,821	771,314	23.7
13	McAllen-Edinburg-Mission, TX	700,634	569,463	131,171	23.0
14	Port St. Lucie-Fort Pierce, FL	392,117	319,426	72,691	22.8
15	Ocala, FL	316,183	258,916	57,267	22.1
16	Boise City-Nampa, ID	567,640	464,840	102,800	22.1
17	Myrtle Beach-Conway-North Myrtle Beach, SC	238,493	196,629	41,864	21.3
18	Fayetteville-Springdale-Rogers, AR-MO	420,876	347,045	73,831	21.3
19	Austin-Round Rock, TX	1,513,565	1,249,763	263,802	21.1
20	Coeur d'Alene, ID	131,507	108,685	22,822	21.0
21	Atlanta-Sandy Springs-Marietta, GA	5,138,223	4,248,012	890,211	21.0
22	Orlando-Kissimmee, FL	1,984,855	1,644,563	340,292	20.7
23	Laredo, TX	231,470	193,117	38,353	19.9
24	Stockton, CA	673,170	563,598	109,572	19.4
25	Charlotte-Gastonia-Concord, NC-SC	1,583,016	1,330,403	252,613	19.0
26	Madera, CA	146,345	123,109	23,236	18.9
27	Wilmington, NC	326,166	274,550	51,616	18.8
28	Bakersfield, CA	780,117	661,655	118,462	17.9
29	Kennewick-Richland-Pasco, WA	226,033	191,825	34,208	17.8

30	Houston-Sugar Land-Baytown, TX	5,539,949	4,715,402	824,547	17.5
31	Yuma, AZ	187,555	160,026	27,529	17.2
32	Reno-Sparks, NV	400,560	342,885	57,675	16.8
33	Merced, CA	245,658	210,554	35,104	16.7
34	Dover, DE	147,601	126,700	20,901	16.5
35	Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington, TX	6,003,967	5,161,518	842,449	16.3
36	Yuba City, CA	161,806	139,149	22,657	16.3
37	Lakeland, FL	561,606	483,924	77,682	16.1
38	Sarasota-Bradenton-Venice, FL	682,833	589,963	92,870	15.7
39	Brownsville-Harlingen, TX	387,717	335,227	52,490	15.7
40	Hagerstown-Martinsburg, MD-WV	257,619	222,771	34,848	15.6
41	Winchester, VA-WV	118,932	102,997	15,935	15.5
42	Sebastian-Vero Beach, FL	130,100	112,947	17,153	15.2
43	Warner Robins, GA	127,530	110,765	16,765	15.1
44	Idaho Falls, ID	116,980	101,677	15,303	15.1
45	Sacramento--Arden-Arcade--Roseville, CA	2,067,117	1,796,857	270,260	15.0
46	Grand Junction, CO	134,189	116,935	17,254	14.8
47	Modesto, CA	512,138	446,997	65,141	14.6
48	Visalia-Porterville, CA	419,909	368,021	51,888	14.1
49	Jacksonville, FL	1,277,997	1,122,750	155,247	13.8
50	Sioux Falls, SD	212,911	187,093	25,818	13.8
51	San Antonio, TX	1,942,217	1,711,716	230,501	13.5
52	Olympia, WA	234,670	207,355	27,315	13.2
53	Hanford-Corcoran, CA	146,153	129,461	16,692	12.9
54	El Centro, CA	160,301	142,361	17,940	12.6
55	Tampa-St. Petersburg-Clearwater, FL	2,697,731	2,396,013	301,718	12.6
56	Ogden-Clearfield, UT	497,640	442,656	54,984	12.4
57	Anchorage, AK	359,180	319,605	39,575	12.4
58	Mount Vernon-Anacortes, WA	115,700	102,982	12,718	12.3
59	Palm Bay-Melbourne-Titusville, FL	534,359	476,230	58,129	12.2
60	Lawrence, KS	112,123	99,965	12,158	12.2
61	Tucson, AZ	946,362	843,746	102,616	12.2
62	Deltona-Daytona Beach-Ormond Beach, FL	496,575	443,340	53,235	12.0
63	Albuquerque, NM	816,811	729,653	87,158	11.9
64	Dalton, GA	134,397	120,061	14,336	11.9
65	Athens-Clarke County, GA	185,479	166,079	19,400	11.7
66	Fresno, CA	891,756	799,407	92,349	11.6
67	Colorado Springs, CO	599,127	537,484	61,643	11.5
68	Bellingham, WA	185,953	166,823	19,130	11.5

69	Tyler, TX	194,635	174,706	19,929	11.4
70	Farmington, NM	126,473	113,801	12,672	11.1
71	Las Cruces, NM	193,888	174,682	19,206	11.0
72	Des Moines-West Des Moines, IA	534,230	481,398	52,832	11.0
73	Nashville-Davidson--Murfreeseboro, TN	1,455,097	1,311,789	143,308	10.9
74	Portland-Vancouver-Beaverton, OR-WA	2,137,565	1,927,881	209,684	10.9
75	Salem, OR	384,600	347,218	37,382	10.8
76	Denver-Aurora, CO <sup>1</sup>	2,408,750	2,179,320	229,430	10.5
77	Springfield, MO	407,092	368,374	38,718	10.5
78	Panama City-Lynn Haven, FL	163,505	148,218	15,287	10.3
79	Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV	5,290,400	4,796,180	494,220	10.3
80	Redding, CA	179,951	163,256	16,695	10.2
81	Salt Lake City, UT	1,067,722	968,883	98,839	10.2
82	Santa Fe, NM	142,407	129,287	13,120	10.1
83	Huntsville, AL	376,753	342,627	34,126	10.0
84	Charleston-North Charleston, SC	603,178	548,972	54,206	9.9
85	Fort Collins-Loveland, CO	276,253	251,494	24,759	9.8
86	Rochester, MN	179,573	163,618	15,955	9.8
87	Durham, NC	464,389	423,800	40,589	9.6
88	Charlottesville, VA	190,278	174,021	16,257	9.3
89	Auburn-Opelika, AL	125,781	115,092	10,689	9.3
90	Indianapolis-Carmel, IN	1,666,032	1,525,104	140,928	9.2
91	St. Cloud, MN	182,784	167,396	15,388	9.2
92	Savannah, GA	320,013	293,299	26,714	9.1
93	Miami-Fort Lauderdale-Miami Beach, FL	5,463,857	5,007,988	455,869	9.1
94	Burlington, NC	142,661	130,794	11,867	9.1
95	York-Hanover, PA	416,322	381,751	34,571	9.1
96	Punta Gorda, FL	154,438	141,627	12,811	9.0
97	Richmond, VA	1,194,008	1,096,957	97,051	8.8
98	Hattiesburg, MS	134,744	123,812	10,932	8.8
99	Bowling Green, KY	113,320	104,166	9,154	8.8
100	Rockford, IL	348,252	320,204	28,048	8.8

<sup>1</sup>Broomfield, CO was formed from parts of Adams, Boulder, Jefferson, and Weld Counties, CO on November 15, 2001 and was coextensive with Broomfield city. For purposes of presenting data for metropolitan and micropolitan statistical areas for Census 2000, Broomfield is treated as if it were a county at the time of the 2000 census.

Note: The April 1, 2000 estimates base reflects changes to the Census 2000 population resulting from legal boundary updates as of January 1 of the estimates year, other geographic program changes, and the Count Question Resolution program. All geographic boundaries for the July 1, 2006 population estimates series are defined as of January 1, 2006. The Office of Management and Budget's statistical area definitions (for metropolitan, micropolitan, and combined statistical areas, as well as metropolitan divisions) are those issued by that agency in December 2005.

The metropolitan, micropolitan, and combined statistical area population estimates are based upon the county estimates. The county estimates methodology is available at: <[http://www.census.gov/popest/topics/methodology/2006\\_st\\_co\\_meth.html](http://www.census.gov/popest/topics/methodology/2006_st_co_meth.html)>.