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# **Community Study**

## **Wilmington Metropolitan Area**

conducted for  
Wilmington Area  
Adventist Community Services

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## ***Introduction***

The purpose of this Community Study is to provide essential information for the pastors and lay leaders of the Seventh-day Adventist churches in the Wilmington metropolitan area and the steering committee of the Wilmington Area Adventist Community Services Agency. It is designed to assess community needs, potential partnerships and opportunities for humanitarian ministry as well as to provide basic information about demographics and the wide range of community organizations in New Castle County and the State of Delaware. This study describes the context for Christian mission in this metropolitan area of more than a half million people.

### **How the Study was Conducted**

Joanne Notturmo contacted and interviewed a number of the key municipal, county and state government agencies as well as nonprofit organizations throughout the metropolitan area. She also obtained a number of significant documents from the government planning agencies, the United Way, university research units and other sources. Andy Clark obtained the latest U.S. Census reports and other demographics through the electronic sources linked to the Center for Metropolitan Ministry at Columbia Union College. This report is based on all of these sources of information and reflects the shared analysis of all three of the authors.

### **Summary of Needs in the Community**

Three areas of human need were most often mentioned in the interviews with civic leaders: substance abuse problems, child care and related basic family needs, and affordable housing. A significant number of civic leaders also mentioned needs related to education. More detailed information about various needs is included in this report to assist the Wilmington Area Adventist Community Services Agency in finding specific opportunities to begin program development.

### **Opportunities for Service**

The civic leaders interviewed expressed the attitude that no one organization can meet the needs in the community and that many organizations must work together in order to achieve significant change. Joanne found an open door at the various offices where she went to interview civic leaders and gather information. This was due to the fact that many of the civic leaders were already aware of community service activities sponsored by the Seventh-day Adventist Church in the Wilmington area. The churches received high praise from some civic leaders what is presently being done. Most of the civic leaders look forward to working together with the new ACS agency in the future.

## ***Excerpts from Interviews with Civic Leaders***

### **Department of Youth and Family Services**

“... need for education of not only children, but for care givers as well ...”

“... very aware of Sharon Temple program.”

### **United Way of Delaware**

“... biggest need not only drug abuse, ... (also) education, housing, single families.”

“... main goal (includes) ownership of housing that will put pride back into the neighborhood ... education as a goal for each and every child, regardless of income ...”

“... please pray that the needs of this community would be met soon with everyone working together ...”

### **Salvation Army**

“... feeding of homeless once a day at this site (400 N. Orange Street) ... will be changing due to development in downtown area ...”

“... provide small fee day care for children (needs based) ...”

“... willing to share programs...welcomed anyone who wished to come for a tour.”

“... aware of the Sharon Temple program.”

### **American Red Cross**

“... interested in drug abuse prevention ... drugs affect the purity of their blood bank supply ...”

“... have partnered with other agencies in area ... counseling ... fund raising ...”

“... very impressed in the partnership they have had with Adventist Community Services over the years in disaster response ... aware of activities of Sharon Temple.”

### **Peoples Settlement House**

“... need of good housing and drug abuse as number one priorities.”

“... aware of the program the Adventists offer ... glad to see they want to be involved more in the community.”

### **Jewish Federation of Family Services**

“... agency deals with social services and educational needs of the community ...”

“... need programs (on) how to manage your welfare check ... get off the welfare.”

“... very aware of activities of Adventist church in the area ... glad that other Sabbath keepers were involved with community outreach.”

“...great need for educational programs for families of single parents...”



## **Detailed Community Needs Assessment**

*In 1999 the University of Delaware completed a detailed needs assessment throughout the state. Joanne Notturmo obtained a copy of this document in her research visits and we include here excerpts selected by Andy Clark that provide the key information from this important study.*

One out of every four people in Delaware is a child, and more than a third of the recent births in our state (1993-1997) were to single women. According to the 1990 Census, female-headed families in Delaware accounted for nearly one in five of all families with children. More than half of female-headed households in the state are in poverty. These trends have life-long ramifications for these mothers and their children. For example, a greater proportion of children are at risk of growing up in poverty and more children will be without health care coverage.

An important issue for decision-makers in the nonprofit sector is the location of the most severe social and economic needs in the state. In 1997, the Delaware Department of Health and Social Services conducted an analysis to determine where services should be targeted. Priority areas were identified and ranked at the census tract level. Tracts with the highest aggregate rankings for relevant social and economic indicators in New Castle County are located in and around Wilmington, in Claymont, in Newark (largely because of the number of students living around the University), in the Route 40 corridor, and in Middletown.

Just under 15 percent of suburban New Castle County respondents reported neighborhood problems as compared to about one third of City of Wilmington respondents. Statewide, a majority of respondents who perceive neighborhoods problems identify lack of recreation and cultural activities as a problem in their neighborhood. About half of those who said there are problems in their neighborhood identify drug abuse, problems with alcohol use, poor public transportation, problems with youth, problems facing older people, and child care for working parents. Households headed by a respondent age 18-59 are the most likely to identify teen pregnancy, child care for working parents, and crime/victim's services as neighborhood problems.

### **Specific Community Problems**

Drug abuse, alcohol problems, and crime were among the top five neighborhood problems identified by household survey respondents. Substance abuse was mentioned much less frequently by focus group participants, while the criminal justice system rather than crime was an important issue for focus group members.

## **Drug Abuse**

By a considerable margin, the highly publicized and seemingly intractable problem of drug abuse is the most important neighborhood concern expressed by Delaware households. However while more than a third of household respondents with neighborhood problems said that drug abuse was the first or second most serious problem in their neighborhood, it was ranked 11th among 14 possible problems found in their homes. One half of the service provider respondents indicated that the need for substance abuse services somewhat or substantially exceeded the supply.

## **Alcohol Problems**

Alcohol abuse is reflected in a host of misfortunes including babies born with fetal alcohol syndrome, car and boat accidents, high school dropout rates, divorce statistics, and serious crimes. Recognizing the far reaching effects of alcohol-related abuse, more than half of the household respondents cited it as a serious neighborhood problem, second only to drug abuse. None of the household respondents identified alcohol abuse as a problem in their own homes. It is likely that some service providers included alcohol in their definition of substance abuse and perception that the need for these services somewhat or substantially exceeded supply.

## **Crime**

About 15 percent of the respondents ranked crime among the top three neighborhood problems. Residents of the City of Wilmington and Sussex County more often identified this among the top five neighborhood problems in the areas where they live.

## **Public Transportation**

Poor public transportation was among the top five neighborhood problems reported by household survey respondents and focus group participants shared this concern. Employment opportunities and social and economic service programs mean little if the people who need them cannot gain access to them, and in rural and low-income communities, transportation is a special consideration. Overall, about a quarter of the household respondents saw poor public transportation as among the top three neighborhood problems. Access to transportation was also among the top five household problems identified by household respondents. Transportation was also among the top three community problems for focus group participants in the City of Wilmington, suburban New Castle County and Sussex County. Kent County participants stated that public transportation is not available to help people get to work. Sussex County participants said that the lack of public transportation severely limits peoples' ability to get to work and welfare recipients' ability to meet job search requirements. It was also indicated that the eastern part of the county has limited public transportation while the western part of the county is not served and no bus service is available between Sussex County and Kent County. More than half of the service

providers believed that the need for transportation was somewhat or substantially greater than the supply and nearly two-thirds ranked lack of transportation as among the top five service barriers for their clients.

### **Recreational and Cultural Activities**

Not enough recreation and cultural activities was also cited by household respondents as one of the top five neighborhood problems but this issue was not mentioned at all by the focus group participants. Although frequently cited as an area problem, neither household respondents nor focus group participants generally viewed lack of recreational and cultural activities among the most serious of social and economic problems. About a quarter of the service providers believed that the need for recreational and cultural activities was somewhat or substantially greater than the supply.

### **Housing**

The lack of affordable housing for thousands of Delawareans is one of the state's most visible unmet needs. Household respondents identified housing (in poor condition, crowded, too expensive) among the most serious neighborhood problems. Housing was among the three most important neighborhood problems reported by household respondents from suburban New Castle County, the City of Wilmington, and Kent County. The most frequently reported household problem by household respondents was housing repair, followed by paying utilities, and paying rent or mortgage. Housing repair was also among the most serious household problem cited by household respondents and maintaining and repairing their homes was the most important household problem facing respondents in households with members aged 60 and over. Focus group participants identified affordable housing and homelessness among the most serious neighborhood problems. New Castle County and Wilmington focus group participants raised the issue of the quality of senior housing. Kent County focus group participants identified affordable housing and homelessness among the top three community problems. Sussex County focus group participants pointed out that many homes in the county lack indoor plumbing and rely on contaminated water and sewer systems.

### **Problems Facing Older People**

As the population ages, the need for a restructured senior service delivery system becomes more apparent, with an emphasis on personal care and assistance with daily living for the elderly. As baby boomers age and families grow smaller, there will be more older people who need support and assistance and fewer family members to fill the traditional role of providing this care. About half of the household respondents citing neighborhood problems viewed problems facing the elderly as a problem in their neighborhood. Problems facing older people were ranked among the most important neighborhood problems by household respondents across the state. Suburban New

Castle County, Kent County and Sussex County respondents ranked problems facing the elderly among the three most important neighborhood problems.

### **Assistance with Personal Behaviors**

Surveys and focus groups conducted as part of the 1999 Community Needs Assessment show a strong sense of urgency about the consequences of personal behaviors such as drug and alcohol abuse, which take a great toll on the well-being of individuals and communities. Unfortunately, programs designed to influence behavior are among those with the least certainty about results and therefore present less clear choices about how to provide assistance. A main factor influencing rising need in the 2000s is the carryover of unaddressed need from earlier decades. If the number of substance abusers stopped growing today, the health and human service needs of those already affected would ripple forward for decades. This is because a tendency to substance abuse is a life-long condition and the long-term requirements for medical and psychological assistance associated with drug abuse, particularly drug addiction, are not fully understood.

In terms of comparison with the U.S. as a whole as well as recent state level trends, the data from the *Kids Count/Families Count* fact book for 1999 indicate that the following issues need the most attention:

- low-birth weight babies
- children without health care coverage
- substance abuse by children of middle school age
- teen deaths
- student achievement in school
- children in poverty
- children living in one-parent households
- births to teenagers
- children in out-of-home care

Unfortunately, programs designed to influence negative personal behaviors are those with the least certainty of success and therefore present unclear choices about how to provide assistance. For example, little is known about effective drug abuse treatment, making it difficult to design programs, a frustrating situation when funds are scarce and so many people need treatment. While there is little evidence about the impact of drug education programs in schools, it is clear that prevention is the key. Social programs not strictly focused on drug abuse can help, especially in prevention. These include programs to keep youth off the streets, summer job programs, and programs designed to enhance the self-esteem of young people. Adding to the dilemma is the public's perceptions of urgency for action.

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mentioned much less frequently by focus group participants, while the criminal justice system rather than crime was an important issue for focus group members.

As shown in the graph below, there is significant variation among respondents on the types of neighborhood problems reported in the four geographic areas. Respondents from suburban New Castle County and the City of Wilmington are similar in their identification of drug abuse, problems with alcohol use, and problems with youth as neighborhood problems. More than one-half of Wilmington and Kent County respondents classify housing as a neighborhood problem. Sussex County respondents differ from those in the three other areas in their focus on poor public transportation as a neighborhood problem.

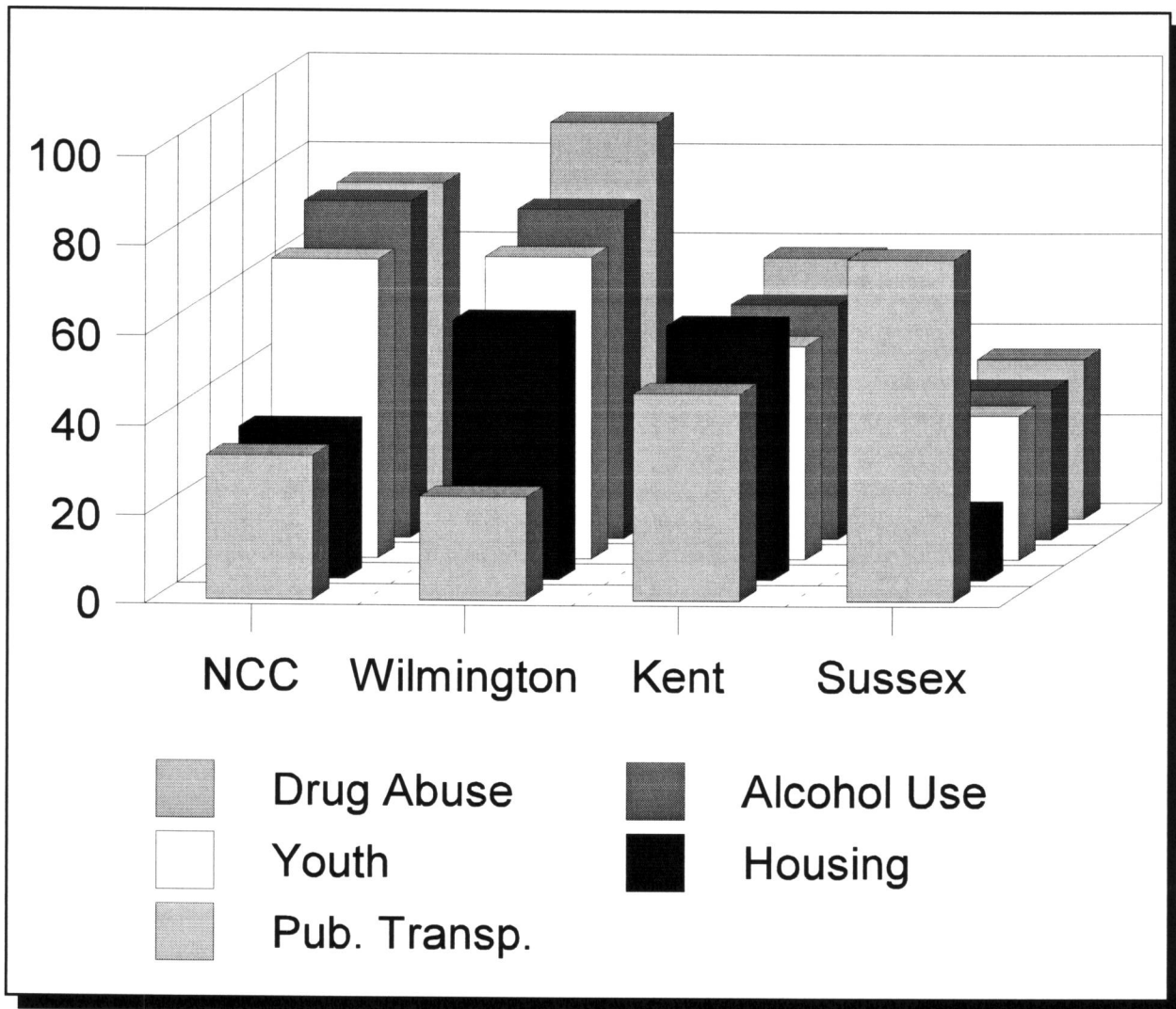


Table 1 shows the responses to questions about specific problems in their neighborhood by geographic area. Percentages are bolded when the chi-square value is .05 or less

**Table 1: Specific Neighborhood Problems Identified by Geographic Area**

	<b>City of Wilmington</b>	<b>Suburban New Castle County</b>	
Housing	<b>57.9</b>	34.1	
Basic Needs	<b>58.0</b>	57.9	
Not able to read or write	51.2	36.8	
Difficulties with English	45.7	22.0	
Health Care	<b>67.5</b>	61.5	
Mental illness	48.5	40.5	
Alcohol Use	<b>73.3</b>	75.0	
Drug Abuse	<b>88.2</b>	74.4	
Public Health	<b>52.9</b>	28.1	
Teen Pregnancy	<b>61.1</b>	55.3	
Problems facing elderly	<b>65.5</b>	53.7	
Problems facing disabled	<b>55.8</b>	42.5	
Child Care	<b>58.0</b>	63.9	
Problems with Youth	<b>67.4</b>	66.7	
Recreation or Culture	69.8	82.5	
Unemployment	<b>67.0</b>	30.6	
Family abuse	46.2	44.7	
Legal problems	<b>57.5</b>	42.1	
Crime/victim's services	<b>71.4</b>	46.2	
Public Transportation	23.4	32.5	

*Source: 1999 Community Needs Assessment Household Survey. Percentages are bolded when the chi-square value is 0.05 or less (a confidence interval of 95 percent).*

The majority of suburban New Castle County respondents who recognize neighborhood problems (82.5%) point to lack of recreation and cultural activities as a problem. About three-quarters of the suburban New Castle County respondents who see problems in their neighborhood refer to problems with alcohol use (75%), and drug abuse (74.4%) as neighborhood problems, while about two-thirds recognize problems with youth (66.7%) and child care for working parents (63.9%) as neighborhood problems.

In Wilmington, a majority of the respondents identifying neighborhood problems (88.2%) see drug abuse as a problem in the area, while nearly three-quarters identify problems with alcohol use (73.3%) or crime/victim's services (71.2%) as problems.



More than two-thirds of the Wilmington respondents who identified neighborhood problems see lack of recreation and cultural activities (69.8%) and health care (67.5%) as problems in their area.

In Wilmington, nearly one-in-three of the respondents (29.2%) select drug abuse as the most important neighborhood problem, while smaller groups list housing (22.9%) or problems with alcohol use (21.9%). Drug abuse is also the second most important neighborhood problem identified by more than one-third (35.5%) of the Wilmington respondents. Many fewer respondents in Wilmington choose lack of recreation and culture (9.7%), or teen pregnancy (7.5%) as the second most important problem. Crime/victim's services is the third most important neighborhood problem chosen by a relatively small group (9.1%) of the Wilmington respondents, followed by problems with youth (4.1%), and lack of recreation and culture (3.4%).

## **Housing**

The lack of affordable housing for thousands of Delawareans is one of the state's most visible unmet needs. Recent estimates peg the state's homeless population at between 1,200 and 1,400, while an additional 14,486 households live in overcrowded conditions, have very low income (less than 50 percent of the area median), or pay more than 50 percent of their income for housing. The Delaware State Housing Authority estimates that there are 12,053 substandard housing units statewide, with approximately 52 percent of these units located in the City of Wilmington and suburban New Castle County. Housing availability is an important component of economic growth as new industry cannot locate in an area where their workers cannot find adequate, affordable housing.

Respondents identified housing (in poor condition, crowded, too expensive) among the most serious neighborhood problems. Housing was among the three most important neighborhood problems reported by household respondents from suburban New Castle County, the City of Wilmington, and Kent County. The most frequently reported household problem by 1999 CNA household respondents was housing repair, followed by paying utilities, and paying rent or mortgage. Housing repair was also among the most serious household problems cited by 1999 CNA household respondents. Maintaining and repairing their homes was the most important household problem facing respondents in households with members aged 60 and over.

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## **Families and Children**

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## **Public Health**

Public health includes communicable diseases such as AIDS and venereal diseases. Although households did not consider public health issues to be among the most serious neighborhood or home problems, these problems have grown in recent years. For example, Delaware has the seventh highest rate of AIDS cases per capita in the United States and the highest percentage of injection drug users with AIDS in the nation. It is expected that this trend will continue. Nearly half (46.7%) of service provider respondents reported that the need for health care services is somewhat or substantially greater than the supply.



## ***Summary of Community Service Providers***

The tables on the following pages were extracted from the 1997 Economic Census conducted by the U.S. Census Bureau. They show the overall numbers of organizations providing various kinds of health and social services in the Wilmington metropolitan area, including both for-profit and non-profit (tax exempt) organizations.

These data underline fact that Wilmington Adventist Community Services is entering an arena where many other providers have been working for some time. As a “newcomer,” it is essential that the new agency accomplish two important goals with the planning decisions that it makes:

1. Find a “niche” (or more than one “niche”) which is recognized as actually meeting significant needs in the community, making a real contribution to the overall picture of the quality of life in the Wilmington metropolitan area.

2. Develop partnerships and alliances with other community organizations which serve to leverage the contribution that the agency makes and to “endorse” its legitimacy as a “player” in the community system.

**Table 2a. Summary Statistics for Firms Subject to Federal Income Tax for Metropolitan Areas: 1997—Con.**

[Includes only establishments with payroll. For meaning of abbreviations and symbols, see introductory text. For explanation of terms, see Appendix A. For definitions of metropolitan areas (CMSAs, MSAs, and PMSAs), see Appendix E]

NAICS code	Geographic area and kind of business	Establishments (number)	Receipts (\$1,000)	Annual payroll (\$1,000)	First-quarter payroll (\$1,000)	Paid employees for pay period including March 12 (number)	Percent of receipts—	
							From administrative records <sup>1</sup>	Estimated <sup>2</sup>
<b>PHILADELPHIA—WILMINGTON—ATLANTIC CITY, PA—NJ—DE—MD CMSA—Con.</b>								
<b>Wilmington—Newark, DE—MD PMSA</b>								
<b>62</b>	<b>Health care &amp; social assistance .....</b>	<b>1 113</b>	<b>905 699</b>	<b>425 863</b>	<b>92 064</b>	<b>12 427</b>	<b>16.4</b>	<b>6.8</b>
621	Ambulatory health care services .....	921	737 888	353 304	74 379	8 020	18.8	7.5
6211	Offices of physicians .....	438	401 441	217 831	43 998	3 475	23.2	7.7
62111	Offices of physicians .....	438	401 441	217 831	43 998	3 475	23.2	7.7
621111	Offices of physicians (except mental health specialists) .....	413	392 550	214 581	43 324	3 387	22.4	7.7
621112	Offices of physicians, mental health specialists .....	25	8 891	3 250	674	88	59.1	9.1
6212	Offices of dentists .....	181	124 745	59 443	12 912	1 504	11.0	.7
62121	Offices of dentists .....	181	124 745	59 443	12 912	1 504	11.0	.7
621210	Offices of dentists .....	181	124 745	59 443	12 912	1 504	11.0	.7
6213	Offices of other health practitioners .....	188	58 327	23 285	5 081	799	27.2	11.6
62131	Offices of chiropractors .....	43	12 828	5 278	1 073	178	31.0	4.0
621310	Offices of chiropractors .....	43	12 828	5 278	1 073	178	31.0	4.0
62132	Offices of optometrists .....	34	12 599	4 087	828	132	21.0	5.3
621320	Offices of optometrists .....	34	12 599	4 087	828	132	21.0	5.3
62133	Offices of mental health practitioners (except physicians) .....	23	6 974	3 044	712	123	41.7	2.2
621330	Offices of mental health practitioners (except physicians) .....	23	6 974	3 044	712	123	41.7	2.2
62134	Offices of physical, occup., & speech therapists & audiologists .....	58	17 719	7 932	1 737	242	17.2	30.2
621340	Offices of physical, occup., & speech therapists & audiologists .....	58	17 719	7 932	1 737	242	17.2	30.2
6213401	Speech therapists & audiologists .....	9	D	D	D	a	D	D
6213402	Physical & occupational therapists .....	49	D	D	D	c	D	D
62139	Offices of all other health practitioners .....	30	8 207	2 944	731	124	40.3	1.1
621391	Offices of podiatrists .....	17	D	D	D	b	D	D
621399	Offices of all other miscellaneous health practitioners .....	13	D	D	D	b	D	D
6214	Outpatient care centers .....	42	44 166	12 780	3 052	461	14.4	21.5
62142	Outpatient mental health & substance abuse centers .....	9	D	D	D	b	D	D
621420	Outpatient mental health & substance abuse centers .....	9	D	D	D	b	D	D
62149	Other outpatient care centers .....	31	D	D	D	e	D	D
621492	Kidney dialysis centers .....	5	D	D	D	c	D	D
621498	All other outpatient care centers .....	24	D	D	D	c	D	D
6215	Medical & diagnostic laboratories .....	38	75 658	20 760	4 648	634	8.6	3.5
62151	Medical & diagnostic laboratories .....	38	75 658	20 760	4 648	634	8.6	3.5
621511	Medical laboratories .....	23	D	D	D	e	D	D
621512	Diagnostic imaging centers .....	15	D	D	D	c	D	D
6216	Home health care services .....	27	D	D	D	g	D	D
62161	Home health care services .....	27	D	D	D	g	D	D
621610	Home health care services .....	27	D	D	D	g	D	D
623	Nursing & residential care facilities .....	38	111 716	47 605	11 391	2 679	1.0	2.9
6231	Nursing care facilities .....	17	65 501	29 527	7 210	1 590	.1	.2
62311	Nursing care facilities .....	17	65 501	29 527	7 210	1 590	.1	.2
623110	Nursing care facilities .....	17	65 501	29 527	7 210	1 590	.1	.2
6232	Residential mental retardation/health & substance abuse facility .....	7	D	D	D	c	D	D
62321	Residential mental retardation facilities .....	6	D	D	D	c	D	D
623210	Residential mental retardation facilities .....	6	D	D	D	c	D	D
6233	Community care facilities for the elderly .....	10	D	D	D	f	D	D
62331	Community care facilities for the elderly .....	10	D	D	D	f	D	D
623312	Homes for the elderly .....	9	D	D	D	f	D	D
624	Social assistance .....	152	D	D	D	g	D	D
6241	Individual & family services .....	16	D	D	D	b	D	D
62419	Other individual & family services .....	12	D	D	D	b	D	D
624190	Other individual & family services .....	12	D	D	D	b	D	D
6244	Child day care services .....	129	32 135	15 976	3 762	1 316	22.5	7.8
62441	Child day care services .....	129	32 135	15 976	3 762	1 316	22.5	7.8
624410	Child day care services .....	129	32 135	15 976	3 762	1 316	22.5	7.8

See footnotes at end of table.

**Table 2b. Summary Statistics for Firms Exempt From Federal Income Tax for Metropolitan Areas: 1997—Con.**

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621	Ambulatory health care services .....	24	62 245	59 969	34 167	8 277	1 268	4.1	—
6214	Outpatient care centers .....	16	D	D	D	D	e	D	D
62142	Outpatient mental health & substance abuse centers ..	5	D	D	D	D	c	D	D
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621498	All other outpatient care centers .....	6	D	D	D	D	c	D	D
6216	Home health care services .....	4	37 406	36 012	20 979	5 513	812	—	—
62161	Home health care services .....	4	37 406	36 012	20 979	5 513	812	—	—
621610	Home health care services .....	4	37 406	36 012	20 979	5 513	812	—	—
6219	Other ambulatory health care services .....	4	D	D	D	D	c	D	D
62199	All other ambulatory health care services .....	3	D	D	D	D	c	D	D
622	Hospitals .....	9	1 023 791	928 633	463 611	118 909	11 876	—	—
6221	General medical & surgical hospitals .....	7	D	D	D	D	j	D	D
62211	General medical & surgical hospitals .....	7	D	D	D	D	j	D	D
622110	General medical & surgical hospitals .....	7	D	D	D	D	j	D	D
6221102	General medical & surgical hospitals (except government) .....	6	844 659	761 182	350 927	90 597	9 500	—	—
6222	Psychiatric & substance abuse hospitals .....	2	D	D	D	D	g	D	D
62221	Psychiatric & substance abuse hospitals .....	2	D	D	D	D	g	D	D
622210	Psychiatric & substance abuse hospitals .....	2	D	D	D	D	g	D	D
623	Nursing & residential care facilities .....	35	84 560	86 043	40 697	9 714	2 063	1.0	2.3
6231	Nursing care facilities .....	10	D	D	D	D	f	D	D
62311	Nursing care facilities .....	10	D	D	D	D	f	D	D
623110	Nursing care facilities .....	10	D	D	D	D	f	D	D
6232	Residential mental retardation/health & substance abuse facility .....	11	D	D	D	D	e	D	D
62321	Residential mental retardation facilities .....	5	9 319	9 233	5 299	1 246	274	6.2	—
623210	Residential mental retardation facilities .....	5	9 319	9 233	5 299	1 246	274	6.2	—
62322	Residential mental health & substance abuse facilities .....	6	D	D	D	D	c	D	D
623220	Residential mental health & substance abuse facilities .....	6	D	D	D	D	c	D	D
6233	Community care facilities for the elderly .....	5	D	D	D	D	f	D	D
62331	Community care facilities for the elderly .....	5	D	D	D	D	f	D	D
623311	Continuing care retirement communities .....	4	D	D	D	D	f	D	D
6239	Other residential care facilities .....	9	D	D	D	D	c	D	D
62399	Other residential care facilities .....	9	D	D	D	D	c	D	D
623990	Other residential care facilities .....	9	D	D	D	D	c	D	D
624	Social assistance .....	169	102 131	98 742	49 815	11 699	3 397	10.5	13.7
6241	Individual & family services .....	97	60 200	57 590	29 848	6 912	1 689	11.4	13.3
62411	Child & youth services .....	23	D	D	D	D	c	D	D
624110	Child & youth services .....	23	D	D	D	D	c	D	D
62412	Services for the elderly & persons with disabilities .....	24	D	D	D	D	e	D	D
624120	Services for the elderly & persons with disabilities ..	24	D	D	D	D	e	D	D
62419	Other individual & family services .....	50	39 086	37 065	20 683	4 690	1 142	7.1	10.0
624190	Other individual & family services .....	50	39 086	37 065	20 683	4 690	1 142	7.1	10.0
6242	Community food & housing/emergency & other relief services .....	18	10 471	9 756	3 340	791	240	19.2	6.7
62421	Community food services .....	5	D	D	D	D	c	D	D
624210	Community food services .....	5	D	D	D	D	c	D	D
62422	Community housing services .....	11	D	D	D	D	c	D	D
62423	Emergency & other relief services .....	2	D	D	D	D	b	D	D
624230	Emergency & other relief services .....	2	D	D	D	D	b	D	D
6243	Vocational rehabilitation services .....	14	17 094	17 180	8 561	1 882	792	2.1	26.5
62431	Vocational rehabilitation services .....	14	17 094	17 180	8 561	1 882	792	2.1	26.5
624310	Vocational rehabilitation services .....	14	17 094	17 180	8 561	1 882	792	2.1	26.5
6244	Child day care services .....	40	14 366	14 216	8 066	2 114	676	10.5	5.1
62441	Child day care services .....	40	14 366	14 216	8 066	2 114	676	10.5	5.1
624410	Child day care services .....	40	14 366	14 216	8 066	2 114	676	10.5	5.1

See footnotes at end of table.

## ***Demographic Profile***

The tables on the following pages were extracted from the 2000 U.S. Census. The first table (4 pages) includes the entire population of New Castle County which is the entire Wilmington metropolitan area. The second table (4 pages) includes just the City of Wilmington, the central municipality in the metropolitan area.

**Table DP-1. Profile of General Demographic Characteristics: 2000**

Geographic area: New Castle County, Delaware

[For information on confidentiality protection, nonsampling error, and definitions, see text]

Subject	Number	Percent	Subject	Number	Percent
<b>Total population</b> .....	<b>500,265</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>HISPANIC OR LATINO AND RACE</b>		
<b>SEX AND AGE</b>			<b>Total population</b> .....	<b>500,265</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Male.....	242,943	48.6	Hispanic or Latino (of any race).....	26,293	5.3
Female.....	257,322	51.4	Mexican.....	8,816	1.8
Under 5 years.....	33,384	6.7	Puerto Rican.....	11,139	2.2
5 to 9 years.....	36,150	7.2	Cuban.....	702	0.1
10 to 14 years.....	34,961	7.0	Other Hispanic or Latino.....	5,636	1.1
15 to 19 years.....	36,309	7.3	Not Hispanic or Latino.....	473,972	94.7
20 to 24 years.....	35,499	7.1	White alone.....	353,760	70.7
25 to 34 years.....	73,869	14.8	<b>RELATIONSHIP</b>		
35 to 44 years.....	83,616	16.7	<b>Total population</b> .....	<b>500,265</b>	<b>100.0</b>
45 to 54 years.....	66,882	13.4	In households.....	482,751	96.5
55 to 59 years.....	23,739	4.7	Householder.....	188,935	37.8
60 to 64 years.....	17,953	3.6	Spouse.....	93,789	18.7
65 to 74 years.....	30,904	6.2	Child.....	145,346	29.1
75 to 84 years.....	20,556	4.1	Own child under 18 years.....	110,703	22.1
85 years and over.....	6,443	1.3	Other relatives.....	25,998	5.2
Median age (years).....	35.0	(X)	Under 18 years.....	11,101	2.2
18 years and over.....	375,516	75.1	Nonrelatives.....	28,683	5.7
Male.....	178,676	35.7	Unmarried partner.....	11,396	2.3
Female.....	196,840	39.3	In group quarters.....	17,514	3.5
21 years and over.....	351,290	70.2	Institutionalized population.....	7,345	1.5
62 years and over.....	68,197	13.6	Noninstitutionalized population.....	10,169	2.0
65 years and over.....	57,903	11.6	<b>HOUSEHOLD BY TYPE</b>		
Male.....	23,635	4.7	<b>Total households</b> .....	<b>188,935</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Female.....	34,268	6.8	Family households (families).....	127,106	67.3
<b>RACE</b>			With own children under 18 years.....	61,400	32.5
One race.....	492,158	98.4	Married-couple family.....	93,789	49.6
White.....	365,810	73.1	With own children under 18 years.....	42,740	22.6
Black or African American.....	101,167	20.2	Female householder, no husband present.....	25,356	13.4
American Indian and Alaska Native.....	979	0.2	With own children under 18 years.....	14,589	7.7
Asian.....	12,950	2.6	Nonfamily households.....	61,829	32.7
Asian Indian.....	4,542	0.9	Householder living alone.....	48,563	25.7
Chinese.....	3,682	0.7	Householder 65 years and over.....	16,138	8.5
Filipino.....	1,291	0.3	Households with individuals under 18 years.....	68,035	36.0
Japanese.....	394	0.1	Households with individuals 65 years and over.....	41,215	21.8
Korean.....	1,438	0.3	Average household size.....	2.56	(X)
Vietnamese.....	592	0.1	Average family size.....	3.09	(X)
Other Asian <sup>1</sup> .....	1,011	0.2	<b>HOUSING OCCUPANCY</b>		
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander.....	165	-	<b>Total housing units</b> .....	<b>199,521</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Native Hawaiian.....	22	-	Occupied housing units.....	188,935	94.7
Guamanian or Chamorro.....	37	-	Vacant housing units.....	10,586	5.3
Samoan.....	27	-	For seasonal, recreational, or occasional use.....	707	0.4
Other Pacific Islander <sup>2</sup> .....	79	-	Homeowner vacancy rate (percent).....	1.2	(X)
Some other race.....	11,087	2.2	Rental vacancy rate (percent).....	7.4	(X)
Two or more races.....	8,107	1.6	<b>HOUSING TENURE</b>		
<b>Race alone or in combination with one or more other races:</b> <sup>3</sup>			<b>Occupied housing units</b> .....	<b>188,935</b>	<b>100.0</b>
White.....	371,858	74.3	Owner-occupied housing units.....	132,514	70.1
Black or African American.....	105,052	21.0	Renter-occupied housing units.....	56,421	29.9
American Indian and Alaska Native.....	2,914	0.6	Average household size of owner-occupied units.....	2.67	(X)
Asian.....	14,685	2.9	Average household size of renter-occupied units.....	2.29	(X)
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander.....	367	0.1			
Some other race.....	14,105	2.8			

- Represents zero or rounds to zero. (X) Not applicable.

<sup>1</sup> Other Asian alone, or two or more Asian categories.

<sup>2</sup> Other Pacific Islander alone, or two or more Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander categories.

<sup>3</sup> In combination with one or more of the other races listed. The six numbers may add to more than the total population and the six percentages may add to more than 100 percent because individuals may report more than one race.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000.

**Table DP-2. Profile of Selected Social Characteristics: 2000**

Geographic area: New Castle County, Delaware

[Data based on a sample. For information on confidentiality protection, sampling error, nonsampling error, and definitions, see text]

Subject	Number	Percent	Subject	Number	Percent
<b>SCHOOL ENROLLMENT</b>			<b>NATIVITY AND PLACE OF BIRTH</b>		
<b>Population 3 years and over enrolled in school.....</b>			<b>Total population.....</b>		
Nursery school, preschool.....	139,816	100.0	Native.....	500,265	100.0
Kindergarten.....	10,411	7.4	Born in United States.....	467,424	93.4
Elementary school (grades 1-8).....	7,075	5.1	State of residence.....	459,169	91.8
High school (grades 9-12).....	57,488	41.1	Different state.....	244,691	48.9
College or graduate school.....	27,478	19.7	Born outside United States.....	214,478	42.9
	37,364	26.7	Foreign born.....	8,255	1.7
<b>EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT</b>			Entered 1990 to March 2000.....		
<b>Population 25 years and over.....</b>			Naturalized citizen.....		
Less than 9th grade.....	324,810	100.0	Not a citizen.....	32,841	6.6
9th to 12th grade, no diploma.....	12,675	3.9	Total (excluding born at sea).....		
High school graduate (includes equivalency).....	34,570	10.6	Europe.....	7,454	22.7
Some college, no degree.....	96,294	29.6	Asia.....	11,234	34.2
Associate degree.....	63,540	19.6	Africa.....	1,804	5.5
Bachelor's degree.....	21,957	6.8	Oceania.....	52	0.2
Graduate or professional degree.....	59,976	18.5	Latin America.....	11,197	34.1
	35,798	11.0	Northern America.....	1,100	3.3
Percent high school graduate or higher.....	85.5	(X)	<b>LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME</b>		
Percent bachelor's degree or higher.....	29.5	(X)	<b>Population 5 years and over.....</b>		
<b>MARITAL STATUS</b>			English only.....		
<b>Population 15 years and over.....</b>			Language other than English.....		
Never married.....	395,714	100.0	Speak English less than "very well".....	467,203	100.0
Now married, except separated.....	116,733	29.5	Spanish.....	417,425	89.3
Separated.....	206,600	52.2	Speak English less than "very well".....	49,778	10.7
Widowed.....	7,907	2.0	Other Indo-European languages.....	19,795	4.2
Female.....	26,020	6.6	Speak English less than "very well".....	24,481	5.2
Divorced.....	21,204	5.4	Asian and Pacific Island languages.....	12,057	2.6
Female.....	38,454	9.7	Speak English less than "very well".....	15,437	3.3
	22,324	5.6	<b>ANCESTRY (single or multiple)</b>		
<b>GRANDPARENTS AS CAREGIVERS</b>			<b>Total population.....</b>		
<b>Grandparent living in household with one or more own grandchildren under 18 years.....</b>			<b>Total ancestries reported.....</b>		
Grandparent responsible for grandchildren.....	10,752	100.0	Arab.....	553,683	110.7
	4,298	40.0	Czech <sup>1</sup> .....	1,390	0.3
<b>VETERAN STATUS</b>			Danish.....		
<b>Civilian population 18 years and over ..</b>			Dutch.....		
Civilian veterans.....	375,472	100.0	English.....	6,791	1.4
	46,908	12.5	French (except Basque) <sup>1</sup> .....	57,564	11.5
<b>DISABILITY STATUS OF THE CIVILIAN NONINSTITUTIONALIZED POPULATION</b>			French Canadian <sup>1</sup> .....		
<b>Population 5 to 20 years.....</b>			German.....		
With a disability.....	114,770	100.0	Greek.....	71,770	14.3
	9,861	8.6	Hungarian.....	2,799	0.6
<b>Population 21 to 64 years.....</b>			Irish <sup>1</sup> .....		
With a disability.....	288,828	100.0	Italian.....	2,530	0.5
Percent employed.....	47,124	16.3	Lithuanian.....	91,401	18.3
Percent employed.....	62.8	(X)	Norwegian.....	58,037	11.6
No disability.....	241,704	83.7	Polish.....	2,218	0.4
Percent employed.....	80.8	(X)	Portuguese.....	2,335	0.5
<b>Population 65 years and over.....</b>			Russian.....		
With a disability.....	55,400	100.0	Scotch-Irish.....	650	0.1
	20,688	37.3	Scottish.....	4,927	1.0
<b>RESIDENCE IN 1995</b>			Slovak.....		
<b>Population 5 years and over.....</b>			Subsaharan African.....		
Same house in 1995.....	467,203	100.0	Swedish.....	5,982	1.2
Different house in the U.S. in 1995.....	258,285	55.3	Swiss.....	4,699	0.9
Same county.....	196,932	42.2	Ukrainian.....	1,051	0.2
Different county.....	127,356	27.3	United States or American.....	4,213	0.8
Same state.....	69,576	14.9	Welsh.....	19,607	3.9
Different state.....	5,672	1.2	West Indian (excluding Hispanic groups).....	5,322	1.1
Elsewhere in 1995.....	63,904	13.7	Other ancestries.....	3,148	0.6
	11,986	2.6		140,498	28.1

-Represents zero or rounds to zero. (X) Not applicable.

<sup>1</sup>The data represent a combination of two ancestries shown separately in Summary File 3. Czech includes Czechoslovakian. French includes Alsatian. French Canadian includes Acadian/Cajun. Irish includes Celtic.

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Census 2000.

**Table DP-3. Profile of Selected Economic Characteristics: 2000**

Geographic area: New Castle County, Delaware

[Data based on a sample. For information on confidentiality protection, sampling error, nonsampling error, and definitions, see text]

Subject	Number	Percent	Subject	Number	Percent
<b>EMPLOYMENT STATUS</b>			<b>INCOME IN 1999</b>		
<b>Population 16 years and over</b> .....	<b>389,036</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>Households</b> .....	<b>188,974</b>	<b>100.0</b>
In labor force .....	263,440	67.7	Less than \$10,000 .....	11,944	6.3
Civilian labor force .....	262,891	67.6	\$10,000 to \$14,999 .....	7,785	4.1
Employed .....	249,320	64.1	\$15,000 to \$24,999 .....	18,761	9.9
Unemployed .....	13,571	3.5	\$25,000 to \$34,999 .....	20,440	10.8
Percent of civilian labor force .....	5.2	(X)	\$35,000 to \$49,999 .....	29,904	15.8
Armed Forces .....	549	0.1	\$50,000 to \$74,999 .....	41,058	21.7
Not in labor force .....	125,596	32.3	\$75,000 to \$99,999 .....	26,272	13.9
<b>Females 16 years and over</b> .....	<b>203,704</b>	<b>100.0</b>	\$100,000 to \$149,999 .....	21,873	11.6
In labor force .....	127,250	62.5	\$150,000 to \$199,999 .....	6,088	3.2
Civilian labor force .....	127,107	62.4	\$200,000 or more .....	4,849	2.6
Employed .....	121,104	59.5	Median household income (dollars) .....	52,419	(X)
<b>Own children under 6 years</b> .....	<b>37,527</b>	<b>100.0</b>	With earnings .....	157,861	83.5
All parents in family in labor force .....	24,801	66.1	Mean earnings (dollars) <sup>1</sup> .....	65,254	(X)
<b>COMMUTING TO WORK</b>			With Social Security income .....	45,813	24.2
<b>Workers 16 years and over</b> .....	<b>245,134</b>	<b>100.0</b>	Mean Social Security income (dollars) <sup>1</sup> .....	12,397	(X)
Car, truck, or van -- drove alone .....	193,564	79.0	With Supplemental Security Income .....	6,153	3.3
Car, truck, or van -- carpooled .....	26,842	10.9	Mean Supplemental Security Income		
Public transportation (including taxicab) .....	9,442	3.9	(dollars) <sup>1</sup> .....	6,489	(X)
Walked .....	6,748	2.8	With public assistance income .....	4,443	2.4
Other means .....	2,110	0.9	Mean public assistance income (dollars) <sup>1</sup> .....	2,488	(X)
Worked at home .....	6,428	2.6	With retirement income .....	35,738	18.9
Mean travel time to work (minutes) <sup>1</sup> .....	24.3	(X)	Mean retirement income (dollars) <sup>1</sup> .....	18,286	(X)
<b>Employed civilian population</b>			<b>Families</b> .....	<b>127,997</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>16 years and over</b> .....	<b>249,320</b>	<b>100.0</b>	Less than \$10,000 .....	4,815	3.8
<b>OCCUPATION</b>			\$10,000 to \$14,999 .....	3,141	2.5
Management, professional, and related			\$15,000 to \$24,999 .....	9,328	7.3
occupations .....	97,390	39.1	\$25,000 to \$34,999 .....	11,848	9.3
Service occupations .....	33,430	13.4	\$35,000 to \$49,999 .....	18,511	14.5
Sales and office occupations .....	70,906	28.4	\$50,000 to \$74,999 .....	30,765	24.0
Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations .....	662	0.3	\$75,000 to \$99,999 .....	21,751	17.0
Construction, extraction, and maintenance			\$100,000 to \$149,999 .....	18,453	14.4
occupations .....	20,293	8.1	\$150,000 to \$199,999 .....	5,336	4.2
Production, transportation, and material moving			\$200,000 or more .....	4,049	3.2
occupations .....	26,639	10.7	Median family income (dollars) .....	62,144	(X)
<b>INDUSTRY</b>			Per capita income (dollars) <sup>1</sup> .....	25,413	(X)
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting,			<b>Median earnings (dollars):</b>		
and mining .....	1,231	0.5	Male full-time, year-round workers .....	42,541	(X)
Construction .....	15,118	6.1	Female full-time, year-round workers .....	31,829	(X)
Manufacturing .....	32,862	13.2			
Wholesale trade .....	6,634	2.7		Number	Percent
Retail trade .....	25,774	10.3		below	below
Transportation and warehousing, and utilities .....	11,957	4.8		poverty	poverty
Information .....	5,106	2.0		level	level
Finance, insurance, real estate, and rental and					
leasing .....	35,995	14.4	<b>POVERTY STATUS IN 1999</b>		
Professional, scientific, management, adminis-			<b>Families</b> .....	<b>7,184</b>	<b>5.6</b>
trative, and waste management services .....	27,214	10.9	With related children under 18 years .....	5,736	8.4
Educational, health and social services .....	49,176	19.7	With related children under 5 years .....	2,859	10.8
Arts, entertainment, recreation, accommodation			<b>Families with female householder, no</b>		
and food services .....	18,076	7.3	<b>husband present</b> .....	<b>4,456</b>	<b>18.3</b>
Other services (except public administration) .....	10,458	4.2	With related children under 18 years .....	3,991	23.8
Public administration .....	9,719	3.9	With related children under 5 years .....	1,897	33.8
<b>CLASS OF WORKER</b>			<b>Individuals</b> .....	<b>40,710</b>	<b>8.4</b>
Private wage and salary workers .....	210,136	84.3	18 years and over .....	27,739	7.7
Government workers .....	29,041	11.6	65 years and over .....	4,092	7.4
Self-employed workers in own not incorporated			Related children under 18 years .....	12,446	10.2
business .....	9,777	3.9	Related children 5 to 17 years .....	8,580	9.6
Unpaid family workers .....	366	0.1	Unrelated individuals 15 years and over .....	16,710	18.9

-Represents zero or rounds to zero. (X) Not applicable.

<sup>1</sup>If the denominator of a mean value or per capita value is less than 30, then that value is calculated using a rounded aggregate in the numerator. See text.

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Census 2000.



**Table DP-4. Profile of Selected Housing Characteristics: 2000**

Geographic area: New Castle County, Delaware

[Data based on a sample. For information on confidentiality protection, sampling error, nonsampling error, and definitions, see text]

Subject	Number	Percent	Subject	Number	Percent
<b>Total housing units</b> .....	<b>199,521</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>OCCUPANTS PER ROOM</b>		
<b>UNITS IN STRUCTURE</b>			<b>Occupied housing units</b> .....	<b>188,935</b>	<b>100.0</b>
1-unit, detached .....	107,015	53.6	1.00 or less .....	183,662	97.2
1-unit, attached .....	39,609	19.9	1.01 to 1.50 .....	3,329	1.8
2 units .....	4,394	2.2	1.51 or more .....	1,944	1.0
3 or 4 units .....	6,491	3.3			
5 to 9 units .....	8,653	4.3	<b>Specified owner-occupied units</b> .....	<b>119,552</b>	<b>100.0</b>
10 to 19 units .....	15,634	7.8	<b>VALUE</b>		
20 or more units .....	12,646	6.3	Less than \$50,000 .....	2,307	1.9
Mobile home .....	5,072	2.5	\$50,000 to \$99,999 .....	26,161	21.9
Boat, RV, van, etc .....	7	-	\$100,000 to \$149,999 .....	42,947	35.9
			\$150,000 to \$199,999 .....	24,565	20.5
<b>YEAR STRUCTURE BUILT</b>			\$200,000 to \$299,999 .....	17,331	14.5
1999 to March 2000 .....	4,161	2.1	\$300,000 to \$499,999 .....	4,828	4.0
1995 to 1998 .....	12,438	6.2	\$500,000 to \$999,999 .....	1,198	1.0
1990 to 1994 .....	16,261	8.2	\$1,000,000 or more .....	215	0.2
1980 to 1989 .....	29,879	15.0	Median (dollars) .....	136,000	(X)
1970 to 1979 .....	29,949	15.0			
1960 to 1969 .....	33,605	16.8	<b>MORTGAGE STATUS AND SELECTED</b>		
1940 to 1959 .....	49,035	24.6	<b>MONTHLY OWNER COSTS</b>		
1939 or earlier .....	24,193	12.1	With a mortgage .....	91,159	76.3
			Less than \$300 .....	355	0.3
<b>ROOMS</b>			\$300 to \$499 .....	2,421	2.0
1 room .....	2,325	1.2	\$500 to \$699 .....	6,878	5.8
2 rooms .....	6,107	3.1	\$700 to \$999 .....	22,097	18.5
3 rooms .....	15,316	7.7	\$1,000 to \$1,499 .....	36,446	30.5
4 rooms .....	21,919	11.0	\$1,500 to \$1,999 .....	15,388	12.9
5 rooms .....	29,593	14.8	\$2,000 or more .....	7,574	6.3
6 rooms .....	37,822	19.0	Median (dollars) .....	1,160	(X)
7 rooms .....	30,504	15.3	Not mortgaged .....	28,393	23.7
8 rooms .....	28,698	14.4	Median (dollars) .....	286	(X)
9 or more rooms .....	27,237	13.7			
Median (rooms) .....	6.1	(X)	<b>SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS</b>		
			<b>AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD</b>		
<b>Occupied housing units</b> .....	<b>188,935</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>INCOME IN 1999</b>		
<b>YEAR HOUSEHOLDER MOVED INTO UNIT</b>			Less than 15.0 percent .....	44,647	37.3
1999 to March 2000 .....	34,518	18.3	15.0 to 19.9 percent .....	23,184	19.4
1995 to 1998 .....	54,118	28.6	20.0 to 24.9 percent .....	17,182	14.4
1990 to 1994 .....	30,311	16.0	25.0 to 29.9 percent .....	11,524	9.6
1980 to 1989 .....	29,941	15.8	30.0 to 34.9 percent .....	6,468	5.4
1970 to 1979 .....	17,320	9.2	35.0 percent or more .....	15,889	13.3
1969 or earlier .....	22,727	12.0	Not computed .....	658	0.6
<b>VEHICLES AVAILABLE</b>			<b>Specified renter-occupied units</b> .....	<b>56,223</b>	<b>100.0</b>
None .....	16,684	8.8	<b>GROSS RENT</b>		
1 .....	65,300	34.6	Less than \$200 .....	3,065	5.5
2 .....	77,617	41.1	\$200 to \$299 .....	1,878	3.3
3 or more .....	29,334	15.5	\$300 to \$499 .....	5,461	9.7
			\$500 to \$749 .....	25,257	44.9
<b>HOUSE HEATING FUEL</b>			\$750 to \$999 .....	12,749	22.7
Utility gas .....	93,110	49.3	\$1,000 to \$1,499 .....	4,772	8.5
Bottled, tank, or LP gas .....	7,058	3.7	\$1,500 or more .....	1,450	2.6
Electricity .....	42,203	22.3	No cash rent .....	1,591	2.8
Fuel oil, kerosene, etc .....	45,039	23.8	Median (dollars) .....	670	(X)
Coal or coke .....	36	-			
Wood .....	329	0.2	<b>GROSS RENT AS A PERCENTAGE OF</b>		
Solar energy .....	33	-	<b>HOUSEHOLD INCOME IN 1999</b>		
Other fuel .....	794	0.4	Less than 15.0 percent .....	10,874	19.3
No fuel used .....	333	0.2	15.0 to 19.9 percent .....	8,923	15.9
			20.0 to 24.9 percent .....	7,790	13.9
<b>SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS</b>			25.0 to 29.9 percent .....	5,960	10.6
Lacking complete plumbing facilities .....	605	0.3	30.0 to 34.9 percent .....	4,481	8.0
Lacking complete kitchen facilities .....	766	0.4	35.0 percent or more .....	15,615	27.8
No telephone service .....	1,954	1.0	Not computed .....	2,580	4.6

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Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Census 2000.



**Table DP-1. Profile of General Demographic Characteristics: 2000**

Geographic area: Wilmington city, Delaware

[For information on confidentiality protection, nonsampling error, and definitions, see text]

Subject	Number	Percent	Subject	Number	Percent
<b>Total population</b> .....	<b>72,664</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>HISPANIC OR LATINO AND RACE</b>		
<b>SEX AND AGE</b>			<b>Total population</b> .....	<b>72,664</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Male.....	34,674	47.7	Hispanic or Latino (of any race).....	7,148	9.8
Female.....	37,990	52.3	Mexican.....	1,746	2.4
Under 5 years.....	4,953	6.8	Puerto Rican.....	4,328	6.0
5 to 9 years.....	5,424	7.5	Cuban.....	87	0.1
10 to 14 years.....	5,308	7.3	Other Hispanic or Latino.....	987	1.4
15 to 19 years.....	5,105	7.0	Not Hispanic or Latino.....	65,516	90.2
20 to 24 years.....	5,121	7.0	White alone.....	23,352	32.1
25 to 34 years.....	11,906	16.4	<b>RELATIONSHIP</b>		
35 to 44 years.....	11,349	15.6	<b>Total population</b> .....	<b>72,664</b>	<b>100.0</b>
45 to 54 years.....	8,861	12.2	In households.....	68,436	94.2
55 to 59 years.....	3,080	4.2	Householder.....	28,617	39.4
60 to 64 years.....	2,434	3.3	Spouse.....	7,621	10.5
65 to 74 years.....	4,401	6.1	Child.....	20,334	28.0
75 to 84 years.....	3,411	4.7	Own child under 18 years.....	14,531	20.0
85 years and over.....	1,311	1.8	Other relatives.....	6,804	9.4
Median age (years).....	33.7	(X)	Under 18 years.....	3,561	4.9
18 years and over.....	53,871	74.1	Nonrelatives.....	5,060	7.0
Male.....	25,046	34.5	Unmarried partner.....	2,025	2.8
Female.....	28,825	39.7	In group quarters.....	4,228	5.8
21 years and over.....	50,840	70.0	Institutionalized population.....	2,785	3.8
62 years and over.....	10,527	14.5	Noninstitutionalized population.....	1,443	2.0
65 years and over.....	9,123	12.6	<b>HOUSEHOLD BY TYPE</b>		
Male.....	3,201	4.4	<b>Total households</b> .....	<b>28,617</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Female.....	5,922	8.1	Family households (families).....	15,881	55.5
<b>RACE</b>			With own children under 18 years.....	7,758	27.1
One race.....	71,240	98.0	Married-couple family.....	7,621	26.6
White.....	25,811	35.5	With own children under 18 years.....	3,110	10.9
Black or African American.....	41,001	56.4	Female householder, no husband present.....	6,814	23.8
American Indian and Alaska Native.....	185	0.3	With own children under 18 years.....	4,007	14.0
Asian.....	473	0.7	Nonfamily households.....	12,736	44.5
Asian Indian.....	169	0.2	Householder living alone.....	10,615	37.1
Chinese.....	98	0.1	Householder 65 years and over.....	3,723	13.0
Filipino.....	73	0.1	Households with individuals under 18 years.....	9,507	33.2
Japanese.....	19	-	Households with individuals 65 years and over.....	6,954	24.3
Korean.....	69	0.1	Average household size.....	2.39	(X)
Vietnamese.....	20	-	Average family size.....	3.19	(X)
Other Asian <sup>1</sup> .....	25	-	<b>HOUSING OCCUPANCY</b>		
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander.....	20	-	<b>Total housing units</b> .....	<b>32,138</b>	<b>100.0</b>
Native Hawaiian.....	1	-	Occupied housing units.....	28,617	89.0
Guamanian or Chamorro.....	3	-	Vacant housing units.....	3,521	11.0
Samoan.....	1	-	For seasonal, recreational, or		
Other Pacific Islander <sup>2</sup> .....	15	-	occasional use.....	66	0.2
Some other race.....	3,750	5.2	Homeowner vacancy rate (percent).....	2.6	(X)
Two or more races.....	1,424	2.0	Rental vacancy rate (percent).....	8.4	(X)
<b>Race alone or in combination with one</b>			<b>HOUSING TENURE</b>		
<b>or more other races:</b> <sup>3</sup>			<b>Occupied housing units</b> .....	<b>28,617</b>	<b>100.0</b>
White.....	26,622	36.6	Owner-occupied housing units.....	14,332	50.1
Black or African American.....	41,976	57.8	Renter-occupied housing units.....	14,285	49.9
American Indian and Alaska Native.....	576	0.8	Average household size of owner-occupied units.....	2.45	(X)
Asian.....	591	0.8	Average household size of renter-occupied units.....	2.33	(X)
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander.....	74	0.1			
Some other race.....	4,377	6.0			

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<sup>1</sup> Other Asian alone, or two or more Asian categories.

<sup>2</sup> Other Pacific Islander alone, or two or more Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander categories.

<sup>3</sup> In combination with one or more of the other races listed. The six numbers may add to more than the total population and the six percentages may add to more than 100 percent because individuals may report more than one race.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000.

**Table DP-2. Profile of Selected Social Characteristics: 2000**

Geographic area: Wilmington city, Delaware

[Data based on a sample. For information on confidentiality protection, sampling error, nonsampling error, and definitions, see text]

Subject	Number	Percent	Subject	Number	Percent
<b>SCHOOL ENROLLMENT</b>			<b>NATIVITY AND PLACE OF BIRTH</b>		
<b>Population 3 years and over enrolled in school.....</b>			<b>Total population.....</b>		
Nursery school, preschool.....	19,330	100.0	Native.....	72,664	100.0
Kindergarten.....	1,613	8.3	Born in United States.....	69,016	95.0
Elementary school (grades 1-8).....	1,068	5.5	State of residence.....	66,553	91.6
High school (grades 9-12).....	8,813	45.6	Different state.....	42,245	58.1
College or graduate school.....	4,545	23.5	Born outside United States.....	24,308	33.5
	3,291	17.0	Foreign born.....	2,463	3.4
			Entered 1990 to March 2000.....	3,648	5.0
			Naturalized citizen.....	1,798	2.5
			Not a citizen.....	1,381	1.9
				2,267	3.1
<b>EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT</b>			<b>REGION OF BIRTH OF FOREIGN BORN</b>		
<b>Population 25 years and over.....</b>			<b>Total (excluding born at sea).....</b>		
Less than 9th grade.....	46,855	100.0	Europe.....	3,648	100.0
9th to 12th grade, no diploma.....	3,373	7.2	Asia.....	772	21.2
High school graduate (includes equivalency).....	8,623	18.4	Africa.....	449	12.3
Some college, no degree.....	14,110	30.1	Oceania.....	29	0.8
Associate degree.....	8,710	18.6	Latin America.....	7	0.2
Bachelor's degree.....	1,995	4.3	Northern America.....	2,306	63.2
Bachelor's degree.....	6,025	12.9		85	2.3
Graduate or professional degree.....	4,019	8.6			
Percent high school graduate or higher.....	74.4	(X)	<b>LANGUAGE SPOKEN AT HOME</b>		
Percent bachelor's degree or higher.....	21.4	(X)	<b>Population 5 years and over.....</b>		
			English only.....	67,767	100.0
			Language other than English.....	59,200	87.4
			Speak English less than "very well".....	8,567	12.6
			Spanish.....	4,019	5.9
			Speak English less than "very well".....	6,371	9.4
			Other Indo-European languages.....	3,303	4.9
			Speak English less than "very well".....	1,730	2.6
			Asian and Pacific Island languages.....	462	0.7
			Speak English less than "very well".....	325	0.5
				218	0.3
			<b>ANCESTRY (single or multiple)</b>		
			<b>Total population.....</b>		
			<b>Total ancestries reported.....</b>		
			Arab.....	72,664	100.0
			Czech <sup>1</sup> .....	67,692	93.2
			Danish.....	86	0.1
			Dutch.....	146	0.2
			English.....	59	0.1
			French (except Basque) <sup>1</sup> .....	253	0.3
			French Canadian <sup>1</sup> .....	3,169	4.4
			German.....	661	0.9
			Greek.....	139	0.2
			Hungarian.....	3,760	5.2
			Irish <sup>1</sup> .....	215	0.3
			Italian.....	151	0.2
			Lithuanian.....	6,303	8.7
			Norwegian.....	4,164	5.7
			Polish.....	190	0.3
			Portuguese.....	130	0.2
			Russian.....	2,618	3.6
			Scotch-Irish.....	57	0.1
			Scottish.....	537	0.7
			Slovak.....	504	0.7
			Subsaharan African.....	538	0.7
			Swedish.....	58	0.1
			Swiss.....	1,924	2.6
			Ukrainian.....	372	0.5
			United States or American.....	64	0.1
			Welsh.....	139	0.2
			West Indian (excluding Hispanic groups).....	1,299	1.8
			Other ancestries.....	341	0.5
				619	0.9
				39,196	53.9

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<sup>1</sup>The data represent a combination of two ancestries shown separately in Summary File 3. Czech includes Czechoslovakian. French includes Alsatian. French Canadian includes Acadian/Cajun. Irish includes Celtic.

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Census 2000.



**Table DP-4. Profile of Selected Housing Characteristics: 2000**

Geographic area: Wilmington city, Delaware

[Data based on a sample. For information on confidentiality protection, sampling error, nonsampling error, and definitions, see text]

Subject	Number	Percent	Subject	Number	Percent
<b>Total housing units</b> .....	<b>32,138</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>OCCUPANTS PER ROOM</b>		
<b>UNITS IN STRUCTURE</b>			<b>Occupied housing units</b> .....	<b>28,617</b>	<b>100.0</b>
1-unit, detached .....	3,214	10.0	1.00 or less .....	27,199	95.0
1-unit, attached .....	17,358	54.0	1.01 to 1.50 .....	1,034	3.6
2 units .....	2,022	6.3	1.51 or more .....	384	1.3
3 or 4 units .....	2,363	7.4			
5 to 9 units .....	1,439	4.5	<b>Specified owner-occupied units</b> .....	<b>12,572</b>	<b>100.0</b>
10 to 19 units .....	1,410	4.4	<b>VALUE</b>		
20 or more units .....	4,291	13.4	Less than \$50,000 .....	1,210	9.6
Mobile home .....	41	0.1	\$50,000 to \$99,999 .....	6,793	54.0
Boat, RV, van, etc .....	-	-	\$100,000 to \$149,999 .....	2,480	19.7
			\$150,000 to \$199,999 .....	795	6.3
<b>YEAR STRUCTURE BUILT</b>			\$200,000 to \$299,999 .....	815	6.5
1999 to March 2000 .....	122	0.4	\$300,000 to \$499,999 .....	318	2.5
1995 to 1998 .....	365	1.1	\$500,000 to \$999,999 .....	149	1.2
1990 to 1994 .....	703	2.2	\$1,000,000 or more .....	12	0.1
1980 to 1989 .....	2,002	6.2	Median (dollars) .....	89,100	(X)
1970 to 1979 .....	2,504	7.8			
1960 to 1969 .....	3,346	10.4	<b>MORTGAGE STATUS AND SELECTED</b>		
1940 to 1959 .....	9,497	29.6	<b>MONTHLY OWNER COSTS</b>		
1939 or earlier .....	13,599	42.3	With a mortgage .....	8,845	70.4
			Less than \$300 .....	58	0.5
<b>ROOMS</b>			\$300 to \$499 .....	519	4.1
1 room .....	896	2.8	\$500 to \$699 .....	1,421	11.3
2 rooms .....	1,753	5.5	\$700 to \$999 .....	2,946	23.4
3 rooms .....	4,209	13.1	\$1,000 to \$1,499 .....	2,752	21.9
4 rooms .....	4,293	13.4	\$1,500 to \$1,999 .....	756	6.0
5 rooms .....	5,048	15.7	\$2,000 or more .....	393	3.1
6 rooms .....	8,487	26.4	Median (dollars) .....	940	(X)
7 rooms .....	4,106	12.8	Not mortgaged .....	3,727	29.6
8 rooms .....	1,842	5.7	Median (dollars) .....	270	(X)
9 or more rooms .....	1,504	4.7			
Median (rooms) .....	5.5	(X)	<b>SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS</b>		
			<b>AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD</b>		
<b>Occupied housing units</b> .....	<b>28,617</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>INCOME IN 1999</b>		
<b>YEAR HOUSEHOLDER MOVED INTO UNIT</b>			Less than 15.0 percent .....	4,651	37.0
1999 to March 2000 .....	5,867	20.5	15.0 to 19.9 percent .....	2,133	17.0
1995 to 1998 .....	8,428	29.5	20.0 to 24.9 percent .....	1,393	11.1
1990 to 1994 .....	4,181	14.6	25.0 to 29.9 percent .....	1,098	8.7
1980 to 1989 .....	3,928	13.7	30.0 to 34.9 percent .....	744	5.9
1970 to 1979 .....	2,495	8.7	35.0 percent or more .....	2,376	18.9
1969 or earlier .....	3,718	13.0	Not computed .....	177	1.4
<b>VEHICLES AVAILABLE</b>			<b>Specified renter-occupied units</b> .....	<b>14,261</b>	<b>100.0</b>
None .....	7,682	26.8	<b>GROSS RENT</b>		
1 .....	12,617	44.1	Less than \$200 .....	1,698	11.9
2 .....	6,723	23.5	\$200 to \$299 .....	940	6.6
3 or more .....	1,595	5.6	\$300 to \$499 .....	2,336	16.4
			\$500 to \$749 .....	5,188	36.4
<b>HOUSE HEATING FUEL</b>			\$750 to \$999 .....	2,706	19.0
Utility gas .....	14,768	51.6	\$1,000 to \$1,499 .....	910	6.4
Bottled, tank, or LP gas .....	481	1.7	\$1,500 or more .....	98	0.7
Electricity .....	6,330	22.1	No cash rent .....	385	2.7
Fuel oil, kerosene, etc .....	6,741	23.6	Median (dollars) .....	596	(X)
Coal or coke .....	23	0.1			
Wood .....	8	-	<b>GROSS RENT AS A PERCENTAGE OF</b>		
Solar energy .....	-	-	<b>HOUSEHOLD INCOME IN 1999</b>		
Other fuel .....	223	0.8	Less than 15.0 percent .....	2,522	17.7
No fuel used .....	43	0.2	15.0 to 19.9 percent .....	1,928	13.5
			20.0 to 24.9 percent .....	1,772	12.4
<b>SELECTED CHARACTERISTICS</b>			25.0 to 29.9 percent .....	1,702	11.9
Lacking complete plumbing facilities .....	210	0.7	30.0 to 34.9 percent .....	1,213	8.5
Lacking complete kitchen facilities .....	351	1.2	35.0 percent or more .....	4,376	30.7
No telephone service .....	968	3.4	Not computed .....	748	5.2

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Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, Census 2000.