

DEMOGRAPHIC CHARACTERISTICS OF THE POPULATION EMPLOYED IN METRO SOUTH/WEST

The demographics of people employed in the region are similar to the demographics of the population that lives in the region, despite the fact that nearly 50 percent of the region's workers live outside the region. Over the past decade, the region has employed more immigrants. The region's workers have also become more diverse, with growth in Black, Asian, and Hispanic employees. And much like the residential population of Metro South/West, there is a strong concentration of older employees, and the fraction of jobs held by workers with at least a Bachelor's Degree has increased in the past decade.

Source: US Census 2000 Decennial Census PUMS data files and 2008-2010 American Community Survey PUMS data files.

Note: Further data for racial/ethnic and gender characteristics for total, working-age, and civilian labor force population are available in the Data Appendix.

	2000	2008-2010	Absolute Change	Annual Growth Rate (Percent)
Employed Population	572,485	599,083	26,598	0.5
Gender				
Male	306,876	317,206	10,330	0.4
Female	265,609	281,877	16,268	0.7
Nativity				
Native Born	487,842	474,207	-13,635	-0.3
Immigrant	84,643	124,876	40,233	4.4
Race/Ethnicity				
White, non-Hispanic	505,809	491,118	-14,691	-0.3
Black, non-Hispanic	16,081	25,200	9,119	5.1
Asian, non-Hispanic	20,502	36,849	16,347	6.7
Hispanic	18,581	35,736	17,155	7.5
Other race, non-Hispanic	11,512	10,180	-1,332	-1.4
Age				
Age 16-24	61,798	64,079	2,281	0.4
Age 25-34	136,248	121,236	-15,012	-1.3
Age 35-44	161,628	140,673	-20,955	-1.5
Age 45-54	129,612	150,305	20,693	1.7
Age 55-64	61,072	93,768	32,696	4.9
Age 65+	22,127	29,022	6,895	3.1
Educational Attainment				
Less than High School	46,945	38,819	-8,126	-2.1
High School Graduate	114,183	116,092	1,909	0.2
Some College, no degree	102,662	97,890	-4,772	-0.5
Associate's Degree	45,220	44,105	-1,115	-0.3
Bachelor's Degree	158,685	177,279	18,594	1.2
Master's Degree or more	104,790	124,898	20,108	2.0