

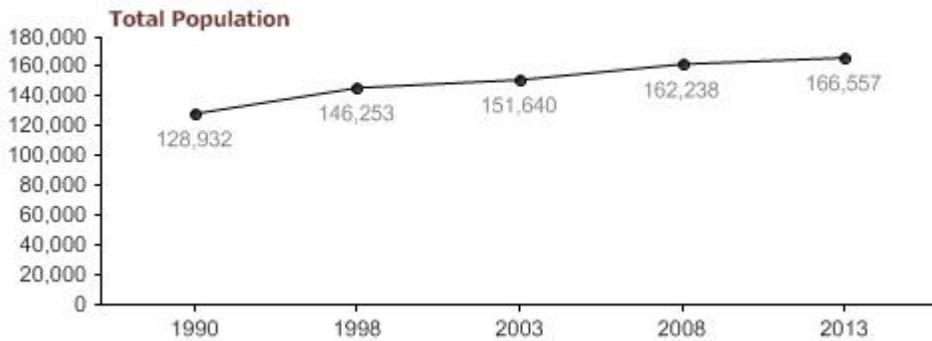
# Porter County, IN Highlights

## Population

A region's economy thrives or dives because of the people who choose to live there. That choice may occur by being born there and desiring to stay, or a more deliberate one of choosing to relocate from somewhere else. Monitoring change in the size and movement of population is an important barometer of well-being. Some of us monitor these changes as an insect might gauge the shifting sands while most don't pay much attention. But the barometer is a good metaphor for population change since it can presage more notable events, such as lackluster business attraction due to lack of workers.

### Population Over Time

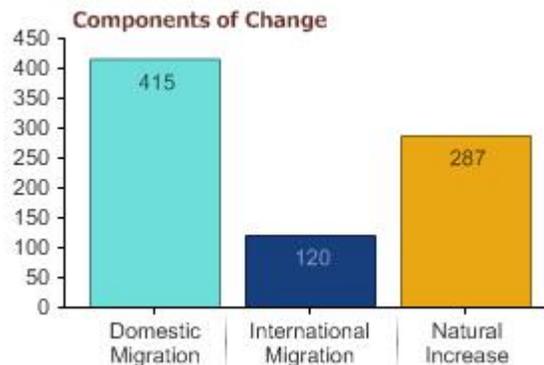
	1990	1998	2003	2008	2013
Total Population	128,932	146,253	151,640	162,238	166,557
Change Since 1990		17,321	22,708	33,306	37,625
Pct. Change Since 1990		13.4%	17.6%	25.8%	29.2%



Source: US Census Bureau

### Components of Population Change 2012 to 2013

	Number
Net Domestic Migration	415
International Migration	120
Natural Increase (births minus deaths)	287
Births	1,731
Deaths	1,444



Source: US Census Bureau

### Population Estimates by Age in 2012

	Number	Pct. Dist
Preschool (0 to 4)	9,340	5.6%
School Age (5 to 17)	29,462	17.8%
College Age (18 to 24)	15,330	9.3%

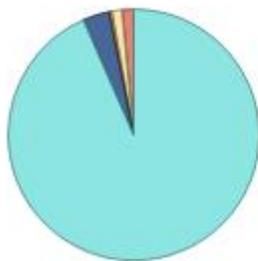
Young Adult (25 to 44)	42,056	25.4%
Older Adult (45 to 64)	47,331	28.6%
Older (65 plus)	22,163	13.4%

Source: US Census Bureau

### Population Estimates by Race and Hispanic Origin in 2012

	Number	Pct. Dist
American Ind. or Alaskan Native Alone	585	0.4%
Asian Alone	2,170	1.3%
Black Alone	5,618	3.4%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pac. Isl. Alone	48	0.0%
White Alone	154,807	93.4%
Two or More Race Groups	2,454	1.5%

Population by Race



93.44 %	White
3.39 %	Black
0.35 %	Am. Ind or Alaskan Native
1.31 %	Asian
0.03 %	Hawaiian and Pac. Isl
1.48 %	Two or More

### Hispanic or Latino

Non-Hispanic or Latino	150,873	91.1%
Hispanic or Latino	14,809	8.9%

Source: US Census Bureau

### Households in 2012

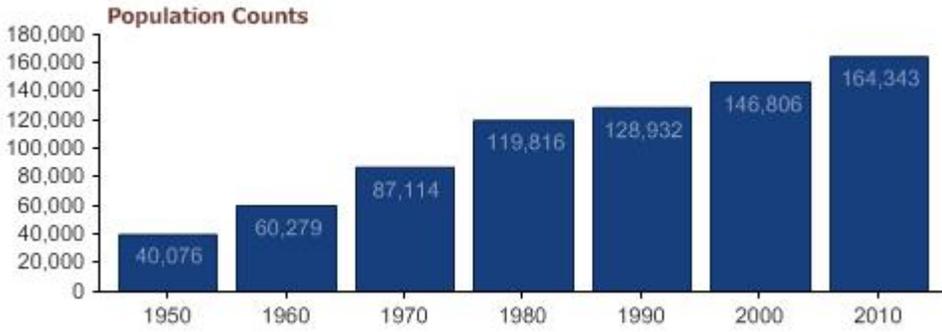
	Number	Pct. Dist
Total Households	61,312	100.0%
Family Households	43,048	70.2%
Married with Children	14,008	22.8%
Married without Children	19,872	32.4%
Single Parents	4,943	8.1%
Other	4,225	6.9%
Non-family Households	18,264	29.8%
Living Alone	15,365	25.1%
Average Household Size	2.70	
Average Family Household Size	3.85	

Source: US Census Bureau, American Community Survey 5 Year Estimates

### Population Counts by Decade

	Population	Numerical Chg.	Pct. Chg.

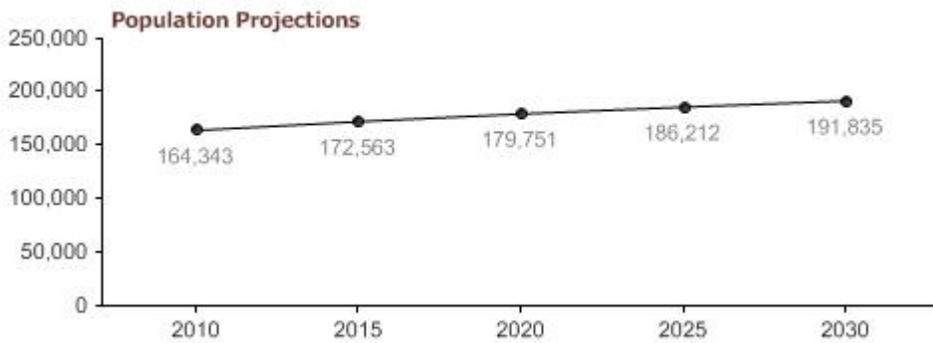
1950	40,076	NA	NA
1960	60,279	20,203	50.4%
1970	87,114	26,835	44.5%
1980	119,816	32,702	37.5%
1990	128,932	9,116	7.6%
April 2000	146,806	17,874	13.9%
April 2010	164,343	17,537	11.9%



Source: U.S. Census Bureau

### Population Projections

	2010	2015	2020	2025	2030
Population Projections	164,343	172,563	179,751	186,212	191,835
Change Since 2010		8,220	15,408	21,869	27,492
Pct. Change Since 2010		5.0%	9.4%	13.3%	16.7%



Source: Indiana Business Research Center.

Note: 2010 data are census counts from the U.S. Census Bureau