

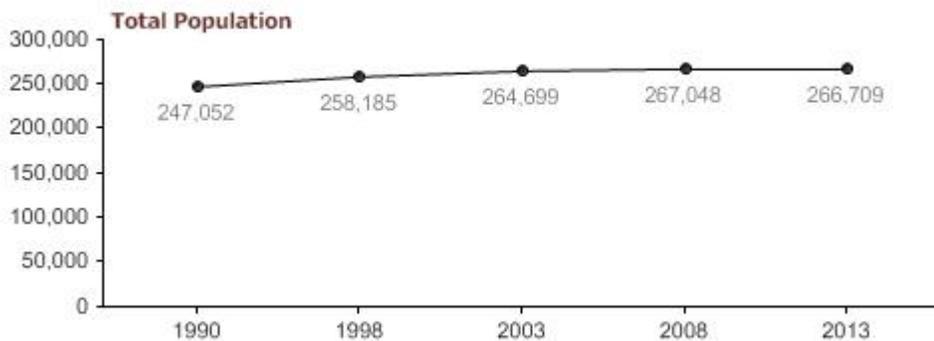
# St. Joseph County, IN Highlights

## 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

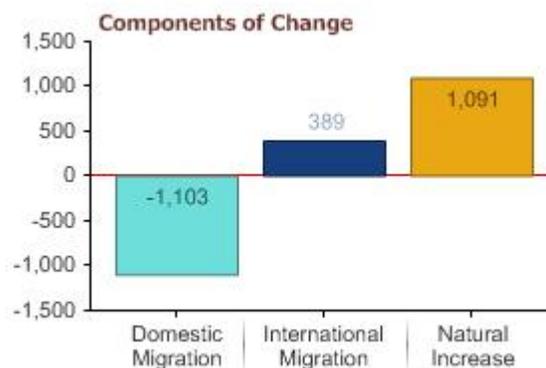
	1990	1998	2003	2008	2013
Total Population	247,052	258,185	264,699	267,048	266,709
Change Since 1990		11,133	17,647	19,996	19,657
Pct. Change Since 1990		4.5%	7.1%	8.1%	8.0%



Source: US Census Bureau

### Components of Population Change 2012 to 2013

	Number
Net Domestic Migration	-1,103
International Migration	389
Natural Increase (births minus deaths)	1,091
Births	3,486
Deaths	2,395



Source: US Census Bureau

### Population Estimates by Age in 2012

	Number	Pct. Dist
Preschool (0 to 4)	17,278	6.5%
School Age (5 to 17)	47,172	17.7%
College Age (18 to 24)	30,156	11.3%

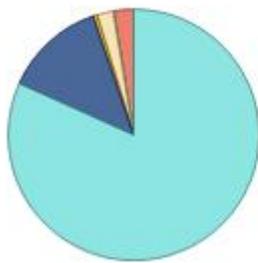
Young Adult (25 to 44)	65,729	24.7%
Older Adult (45 to 64)	69,213	26.0%
Older (65 plus)	36,796	13.8%

Source: US Census Bureau

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

	Number	Pct. Dist
American Ind. or Alaskan Native Alone	1,409	0.5%
Asian Alone	5,603	2.1%
Black Alone	34,612	13.0%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pac. Isl. Alone	223	0.1%
White Alone	217,683	81.7%
Two or More Race Groups	6,814	2.6%

Population by Race



81.69 %	White
12.99 %	Black
0.53 %	Am. Ind or Alaskan Native
2.10 %	Asian
0.08 %	Hawaiian and Pac. Isl
2.56 %	Two or More

### Hispanic or Latino

Non-Hispanic or Latino	245,798	92.2%
Hispanic or Latino	20,546	7.7%

Source: US Census Bureau

### Households in 2012

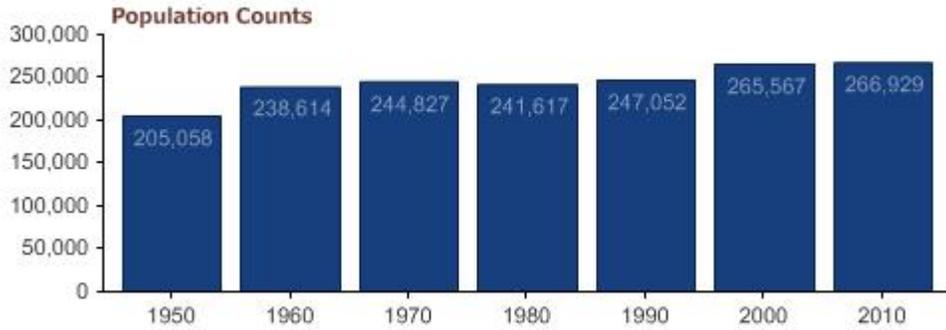
	Number	Pct. Dist
Total Households	101,201	100.0%
Family Households	64,994	64.2%
Married with Children	19,185	19.0%
Married without Children	28,221	27.9%
Single Parents	10,219	10.1%
Other	7,369	7.3%
Non-family Households	36,207	35.8%
Living Alone	30,164	29.8%
Average Household Size	2.63	
Average Family Household Size	4.10	

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

### Population Counts by Decade

	Population	Numerical Chg.	Pct. Chg.

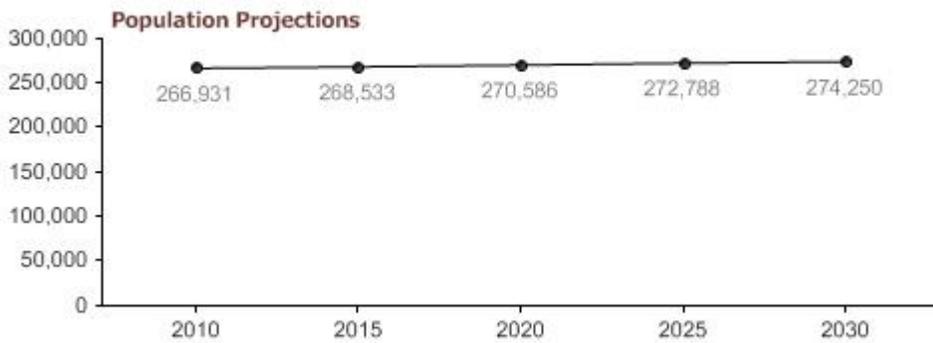
1950	205,058	NA	NA
1960	238,614	33,556	16.4%
1970	244,827	6,213	2.6%
1980	241,617	-3,210	-1.3%
1990	247,052	5,435	2.2%
April 2000	265,567	18,515	7.5%
April 2010	266,929	1,362	0.5%



Source: U.S. Census Bureau

### Population Projections

	2010	2015	2020	2025	2030
Population Projections	266,931	268,533	270,586	272,788	274,250
Change Since 2010		1,602	3,655	5,857	7,319
Pct. Change Since 2010		0.6%	1.4%	2.2%	2.7%



Source: Indiana Business Research Center.

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