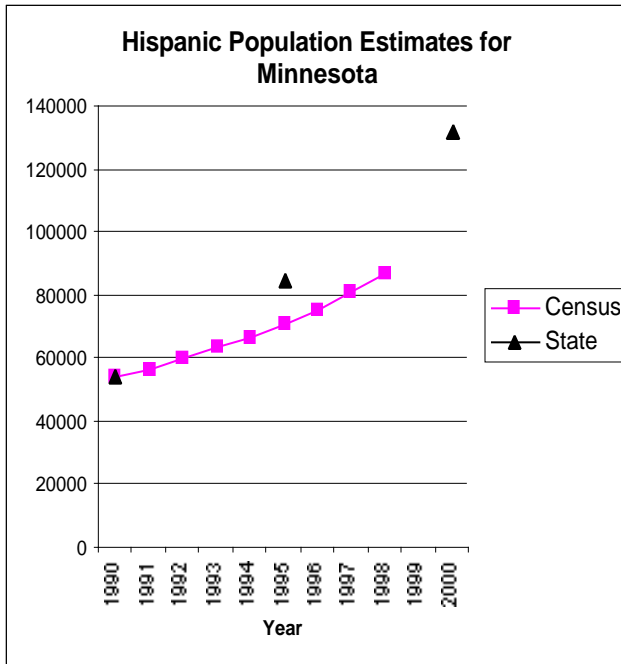


The Chicano Latino Community in Minnesota: Recent Trends

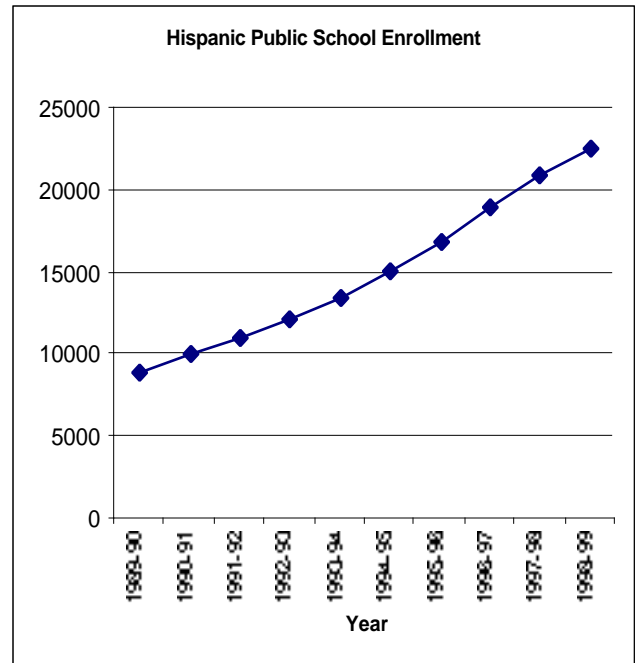
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Population Estimates



School Enrollment²

As 1990 census data gets older and older, we often rely on public school enrollment figures to look at population trends. The following chart and tables show that Hispanic student enrollment has more than doubled since the 1989/90 school year, and the number of students whose primary language at home is Spanish has increased nearly four times.



Hispanic Population Estimates for Minnesota¹

Year	Census Estimates	State Demographer Projections
1990	54,290	54,290
1991	56,759	
1992	59,992	
1993	64,139	
1994	66,902	
1995	70,824	85,100
1996	75,510	
1997	81,079	
1998	86,936	
1999		
2000		132,300

The State Demographers Office is estimating more rapid population growth than the U.S. Census Bureau. By the year 2000, the Census estimate will be just under 100,000, while the State Demographer projects about 132,000.

School Year	Hispanic Public School Enrollment	Students from homes where primary language is Spanish
1989/90	8,992	3,617
1990/91	10,020	
1991/92	11,103	
1992/93	12,180	
1993/94	13,425	
1994/95	15,059	9,828
1995/96	16,832	
1996/97	19,012	
1997/98	20,922	13,890
1998/99	22,616	

Economic Comparisons³ (1990 Census)

	Hispanic	General MN Population
Percent of population who are children under 18	42%	27%
Percent of population who are 65 and older	4%	13%
Poverty rate	26%	10%
Poverty rate for children	30%	12%
Per capita income-1990	\$8,003	\$14,389
Percent of persons 25-54 with no job:		
Men	22%	11%
Women	33%	22%
Percent of persons 25 and older without high school degree	29%	18%
Percent owning their own home	47%	72%
Percent paying over 30% of income for housing	35%	24%
Percent living in "crowded" housing	13%	2%
Percent of households with no vehicle	16%	9%
Percent of households with no telephone	9%	2%

**Health Comparisons⁴
(1989-1993)**

	Hispanic	General MN Population
Percent of births under 5.5 pounds (low birthweight)	4.9%	4.2%
Infant mortality rate (infant deaths per thousand live births)	7.3	7.1
Percent of mothers receiving less than "adequate" amount of prenatal care	48%	25%
Percent with no health insurance for all or part of the year (1993)	30%	13%

**Adolescent Health – 9th Grade Students⁵
(1998 Minnesota Student Survey)**

	Hispanic	General MN Population
Percent of who smoke 1-5 cigarettes or more per day	28%	17%
Percent who used alcohol three or more times in past month	28%	18%
Percent who have engaged in sexual intercourse three or more times	30%	13%
Percent threatened or injured with weapon at school in past year	19%	7%

Chicano/Latino Public School Enrollment: 1998-99⁶

Hennepin	5,378	Wilkin	51
Ramsey	4,546	Lac Qui Parle	44
Dakota	1,512	Pine	44
Kandiyohi	845	Itasca	43
Anoka	735	Jackson	43
Clay	626	Mille Lacs	42
Polk	514	Becker	41
Freeborn	454	Swift	41
Washington	424	Pennington	37
Rice	422	Isanti	34
Olmsted	420	Morrison	34
Watonwan	406	Nicollet	34
Nobles	351	Pipestone	33
Renville	298	Todd	27
Le Sueur	296	Kanabec	25
McLeod	280	Douglas	22
St. Louis	261	Grant	21
Steele	259	Cass	20
Otter Tail	256	Fillmore	20
Scott	253	Benton	19
Carver	231	Kittson	19
Stearns	219	Murray	19
Lyon	210	Aitkin	18
Sibley	187	Wadena	17
Blue Earth	180	Rock	15
Mower	178	Carlton	14
Brown	170	Hubbard	13
Faribault	130	Traverse	12
Marshall	114	Stevens	11
Dodge	107	Clearwater	10
Wright	107	Koochiching	9
Meeker	106	Pope	8
Martin	95	Houston	7
Winona	93	Roseau	7
Sherburne	92	Big Stone	5
Waseca	91	Lincoln	5
Redwood	84	Red Lake	5
Norman	80	Lake	4
Chippewa	75	Lake of Woods	4
Yellow Medicine	65	Cook	0
Crow Wing	62	Mahnomen	0
Goodhue	59	TOTAL	22,364
Wabasha	57		
Beltrami	56		
Cottonwood	52		
Chisago	51		

Students from Homes Where the Primary Language Is Spanish: 1997-98⁷

Hennepin	2887	Lac Qui Parle	21
Ramsey	2696	Pennington	20
Kandiyohi	840	St. Louis	20
Clay	660	Chisago	14
Dakota	525	Wright	14
Rice	426	Swift	13
Watonwan	409	Pipestone	12
Nobles	400	Rock	11
Olmsted	371	Pine	10
Renville	305	Itasca	8
Anoka	303	Isanti	7
Freeborn	303	Kittson	7
Le Sueur	276	Sherburne	7
Polk	263	Mille Lacs	6
Steele	242	Pope	6
Carver	228	Wadena	6
Sibley	224	Fillmore	5
McLeod	222	Beltrami	4
Otter Tail	202	Carlton	4
Scott	174	Becker	3
Stearns	153	Crow Wing	3
Brown	148	Lincoln	3
Lyon	142	Stevens	3
Mower	122	Douglas	2
Marshall	107	Morrison	2
Dodge	84	Aitkin	1
Meeker	76	Benton	1
Washington	74	Cass	1
Winona	71	Kanabec	1
Waseca	65	Koochiching	1
Martin	63	Red Lake	1
Redwood	61	Roseau	1
Todd	59	Big Stone	0
Faribault	54	Clearwater	0
Blue Earth	52	Cook	0
Wilkin	51	Grant	0
Cottonwood	49	Houston	0
Wabasha	49	Hubbard	0
Chippewa	48	Lake	0
Yellow Medicine	47	Lake of Woods	0
Norman	36	Mahnomen	0
Goodhue	31	Traverse	0
Jackson	27	TOTAL	13890
Murray	24		
Nicollet	23		

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² Public school enrollment figures can be found on the Minnesota Department of Children, Families and Learning's WEB site at <http://cfl.state.mn.us>. They are based on enrollment as of October 1st of the school year. The figures for primary language at home were taken from printouts provided by the Department of Children, Families and Learning's MINCRIS reporting system. The language data is from the end of the school year.

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