

First Insights – 2020 Census Race and Hispanic or Latino Origin in Utah

This Fact Sheet highlights the decade's changes in race and Hispanic or Latino origin at the state and county level, using the redistricting data from the 2020 Census.

Key highlights include:

50% Over half of Utah's population growth between 2010 and 2020 was driven by minority populations.

Utah's Diversity Index increased from **33.6% to 40.7%**

San Juan, Salt Lake, and Weber counties have **higher Diversity Indexes than the state.**

30% of Utahns under 18 identified as a racial or ethnic minority in 2020, **an increase from 24% in 2010.**

National Picture

These estimates highlight increasing diversity across the United States. The Diversity Index, a percentage indicating the chance that two people chosen at random will be from different racial and ethnic groups, increased from 54.9% to 61.1% nationwide. While the White population remained the largest racial or ethnic group in the nation, the overall share of this group decreased from 63.7% to 57.8% between 2010 and 2020.

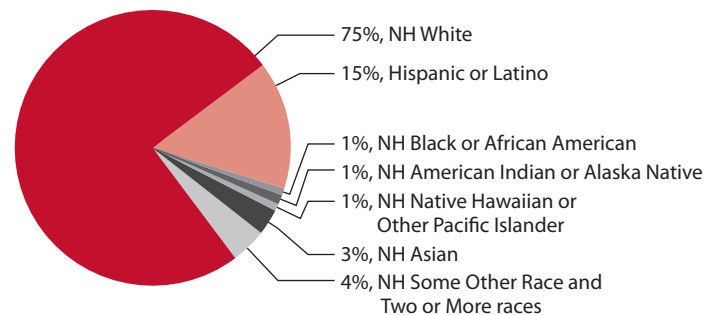
The Hispanic or Latino population was the second largest racial or ethnic group nationwide, increasing from 16.3% to 18.7% across the decade.

Race and Hispanic or Latino Origin in Utah

Utah is becoming increasingly racially and ethnically diverse. In 2010, 19.4% of the population identified as a racial or ethnic population other than White. By 2020, nearly one in four Utahns identified as a race or ethnicity other than non-Hispanic white (24.6%).

Utah's Diversity Index increased from 33.6% in 2010 to 40.7% in 2020. Despite this increase, Utah's ranking dropped from 34th (out of the 50 states and Washington D.C.) to 37th.

Figure 1: Share of Utah Population by Race and Hispanic or Latino Origin, 2020



Note: NH means Not Hispanic or Latino

Source: 2020 Census State Redistricting Data (Public Law 94-171) Summary Files, U.S. Census Bureau

Definitions

Redistricting Data

The redistricting data is the second statistical release of the 2020 census suite of products. The redistricting data provides selected age, race, ethnicity, group quarters, and housing unit data for counties, cities, census tracts, and other areas.

The redistricting data informs governments in their decadal assessment of electoral boundaries. Additionally, the data provides the first findings for cities, towns, and counties from the 2020 census.

Race and Ethnicity

The Office of Management and Budget defined five race categories used by the Census Bureau (White, Black or African American, American Indian or Alaska Native, Asian, and Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander) in 1997. Any determination of race is through self-identification.

When discussing racial groups, this document refers to people who identify as non-Hispanic, single-race (i.e., White, Asian, Native Hawaiian and Pacific Islander), or the combination grouping of Some Other Race and Two or More Races.

Table 1: Population Change and Sources of Growth by Race Hispanic or and Latino Origin in Utah, 2010-2020

	Population		2010-2020 Change		Share of 2020 Population	Share of Population Change
	2010	2020	Absolute	Relative		
Total Population	2,763,885	3,271,616	507,731	18.4%	100.0%	100.0%
NH White	2,221,719	2,465,355	243,636	11.0%	75.4%	48.0%
Hispanic or Latino	358,340	492,912	134,572	37.6%	15.1%	26.5%
NH Black or African American	25,951	37,192	11,241	43.3%	1.1%	2.2%
NH American Indian or Alaska Native	27,081	28,690	1,609	5.9%	0.9%	0.3%
NH Asian	54,176	78,618	24,442	45.1%	2.4%	4.8%
NH Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	23,909	35,831	11,922	49.9%	1.1%	2.3%
NH Some Other Race and Two or More Races	52,709	133,018	80,309	152.4%	4.1%	15.8%
Minority	542,166	806,261	264,095	48.7%	24.6%	52.0%

Share is of total race or ethnicity population. NH - Non-Hispanic

Source: 2010 and 2020 Census State Redistricting Data (Public Law 94-171) Summary Files, U.S. Census Bureau

Table 2: Population by Race and Hispanic or Latino Origin and Major Age Group, 2010 and 2020

	2010					2020				
	Total	Under Age 18		Age 18 and Over		Total	Under Age 18		Age 18 and Over	
		Total	Share	Total	Share		Total	Share	Total	Share
Total Population	2,763,885	871,027	31.5%	1,892,858	68.5%	3,271,616	947,565	29.0%	2,324,051	71.0%
NH White	2,221,719	658,151	29.6%	1,563,568	70.4%	2,465,355	667,355	27.1%	1,798,000	72.9%
Hispanic or Latino	358,340	143,846	40.1%	214,494	59.9%	492,912	176,302	35.8%	316,610	64.2%
NH Black or African American	25,951	9,544	36.8%	16,407	63.2%	37,192	11,822	31.8%	25,370	68.2%
NH American Indian or Alaska Native	27,081	8,643	31.9%	18,438	68.1%	28,690	7,705	26.9%	20,985	73.1%
NH Asian	54,176	12,418	22.9%	41,758	77.1%	78,618	15,793	20.1%	62,825	79.9%
NH Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	23,909	9,190	38.4%	14,719	61.6%	35,831	12,407	34.6%	23,424	65.4%
NH Some Other Race and Two or More Races	52,709	29,235	55.5%	23,474	44.5%	133,018	56,181	42.2%	76,837	57.8%
Minority	542,166	212,876	39.3%	329,290	60.7%	806,261	280,210	34.8%	526,051	65.3%

Note: Share is of total race or ethnicity population. NH - Non-Hispanic

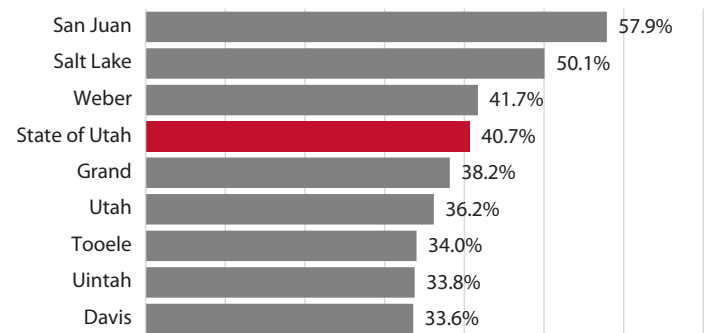
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The White population, the most prevalent racial or ethnic population in the state, grew by 243,636, but decreased as an overall share from 80.4% in 2010 to 75.4% in 2020. The Hispanic or Latino population is Utah's second largest racial and ethnic population at nearly half a million Utahns (492,912) in 2020. This group grew by 134,572 people, increasing from 13.0% of the population in 2010 to 15.1% in 2020.

The populations identifying as Some Other Race or Two or More Races increased by over 150%, the highest rate of any racial or ethnic population, from 52,709 in 2010 to 133,018 in 2020. The Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander and Asian populations experienced the 2nd and 3rd highest growth rates, at 49.9% and 45.1%, respectively.

Growth in minority populations drove just over half (52%) of Utah's statewide growth between 2010 and 2020 – an increase from 40.2% of growth between 2000 and 2010. The Hispanic or Latino population accounted for over one-quarter (26.5%) of statewide population growth across the decade and 43% of growth in the minority population. The Some Other Race and

Figure 2: Utah Counties with a Diversity Index over 33% in relation to the State of Utah, 2020



Source: 2020 Census State Redistricting Data (Public Law 94-171) Summary Files, U.S. Census Bureau

Two or More Races populations were responsible for 16% of statewide growth and 30% of the growth of the minority population.

Age of Racial and Hispanic or Latino Origin Populations in Utah

Utah's younger population has long been more racially and ethnically diverse than the older population. The 2020 data reflects the continuation of youth-driven racial and ethnic diversity, with minority populations representing 30% of those under 18 compared with 23% for over 18. A larger share of the under 18 population identified as Hispanic or Latino than the over 18 (19% compared to 14%), and the Some Other Race and Two or More Races populations were also higher for the younger population (5.9% under 18 and 3.3% over 18).

Race and Hispanic or Latino Origin in Utah Counties

San Juan County has the highest diversity index in the state (57.9%), with the largest racial or ethnic group being American Indian or Alaska Native at 49.5%. Salt Lake County has the second highest diversity index (50.1%), which increased from 42.1% in 2010. Just over two-thirds (67.6%) of the population in Salt Lake County identifies as White, followed by the Hispanic or Latino population at 19.6%. Daggett and Morgan counties have the lowest Diversity Index values at 11.1% and 11.4%, respectively. See Tables 4 and 5 for more details.

Salt Lake County is home to the largest share of the following populations: Hispanic or Latino, Black or African American, Asian, and Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander. Grand County has the highest share of the population identifying as Some Other Race or Two or More Races.

Table 3: Largest County Shares of Race and Hispanic or Latino Origin, 2020

Race/Ethnicity	Highest Share County	Percent of Population
NH White	Daggett County	94.2%
Hispanic or Latino	Salt Lake County	19.6%
NH Black or African American	Salt Lake County	1.9%
NH American Indian and Alaska Native	San Juan County	49.5%
NH Asian	Salt Lake County	4.2%
NH Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	Salt Lake County	1.8%
NH Some Other Race and Two or More Races	Grand County	4.9%
Minority	San Juan County	58.4%

Source: 2020 Census State Redistricting Data (Public Law 94-171) Summary File, U.S. Census Bureau

Redistricting Resources

[Redistricting File Information](#)

[Racial and Ethnic Diversity in the United States](#)

[Gardner Institute 2020 Census Materials](#)

[Census 2010: A First Look at Utah Results](#)

Table 4: Population by Race and Hispanic or Latino Origin, Utah Counties, 2020

	Total Population	Race Alone (Not Hispanic or Latino)					Some Other Race and Two or More Races (Not Hispanic or Latino)	Hispanic or Latino	Minority
		White	Black or African American	American Indian and Alaska Native	Asian	Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander			
State of Utah	3,271,616	2,465,355	37,192	28,690	78,618	35,831	133,018	492,912	806,261
Beaver	7,072	5,717	23	70	32	21	143	1,066	1,355
Box Elder	57,666	49,361	161	383	438	98	1,688	5,537	8,305
Cache	133,154	109,376	1,045	620	2,303	660	4,074	15,076	23,778
Carbon	20,412	16,645	50	199	63	29	749	2,677	3,767
Daggett	935	881	1	0	1	2	21	29	54
Davis	362,679	292,458	4,008	1,464	6,907	3,204	15,343	39,295	70,221
Duchesne	19,596	16,736	21	875	60	39	580	1,285	2,860
Emery	9,825	8,811	2	55	36	7	209	705	1,014
Garfield	5,083	4,446	5	90	30	7	121	384	637
Grand	9,669	7,481	65	330	80	11	476	1,226	2,188
Iron	57,289	47,620	375	948	621	237	2,006	5,482	9,669
Juab	11,786	10,781	11	89	32	41	258	574	1,005
Kane	7,667	6,924	27	119	59	1	215	322	743
Millard	12,975	10,636	15	100	141	13	296	1,774	2,339
Morgan	12,295	11,562	12	31	57	0	295	338	733
Piute	1,438	1,276	0	4	0	0	34	124	162
Rich	2,510	2,329	11	1	2	4	66	97	181
Salt Lake	1,185,238	800,914	21,976	7,205	50,241	21,194	51,620	232,088	384,324

Table 4: (Continued)

	Total Population	Race Alone (Not Hispanic or Latino)					Some Other Race and Two or More Races (Not Hispanic or Latino)	Hispanic or Latino	Minority
		White	Black or African American	American Indian and Alaska Native	Asian	Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander			
San Juan	14,518	6,038	32	7,186	34	51	430	747	8,480
Sanpete	28,437	23,688	224	240	171	247	824	3,043	4,749
Sevier	21,522	19,396	65	313	40	49	606	1,053	2,126
Summit	42,357	35,108	163	67	723	42	1,517	4,737	7,249
Tooele	72,698	58,199	436	445	511	637	2,948	9,522	14,499
Uintah	35,620	28,726	90	2,277	157	97	1,439	2,834	6,894
Utah	659,399	518,460	4,110	2,533	10,111	6,541	29,113	88,531	140,939
Wasatch	34,788	28,168	141	67	347	41	978	5,046	6,620
Washington	180,279	147,462	913	1,566	1,802	1,607	6,447	20,482	32,817
Wayne	2,486	2,267	1	19	16	3	84	96	219
Weber	262,223	193,889	3,209	1,394	3,603	948	10,438	48,742	68,334

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Table 5: Population Shares by Race and Hispanic or Latino Origin, Utah Counties, Census 2020

	Total Population	Race Alone (Not Hispanic or Latino)					Some Other Race and Two or More Races (Not Hispanic or Latino)	Hispanic or Latino	Minority
		White	Black or African American	American Indian and Alaska Native	Asian	Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander			
State of Utah	100.0%	75.4%	1.1%	0.9%	2.4%	1.1%	4.1%	15.1%	24.6%
Beaver	100.0%	80.8%	0.3%	1.0%	0.5%	0.3%	2.0%	15.1%	19.2%
Box Elder	100.0%	85.6%	0.3%	0.7%	0.8%	0.2%	2.9%	9.6%	14.4%
Cache	100.0%	82.1%	0.8%	0.5%	1.7%	0.5%	3.1%	11.3%	17.9%
Carbon	100.0%	81.6%	0.2%	1.0%	0.3%	0.1%	3.7%	13.1%	18.5%
Daggett	100.0%	94.2%	0.1%	0.0%	0.1%	0.2%	2.3%	3.1%	5.8%
Davis	100.0%	80.6%	1.1%	0.4%	1.9%	0.9%	4.2%	10.8%	19.4%
Duchesne	100.0%	85.4%	0.1%	4.5%	0.3%	0.2%	3.0%	6.6%	14.6%
Emery	100.0%	89.7%	0.0%	0.6%	0.4%	0.1%	2.1%	7.2%	10.3%
Garfield	100.0%	87.5%	0.1%	1.8%	0.6%	0.1%	2.4%	7.6%	12.5%
Grand	100.0%	77.4%	0.7%	3.4%	0.8%	0.1%	4.9%	12.7%	22.6%
Iron	100.0%	83.1%	0.7%	1.7%	1.1%	0.4%	3.5%	9.6%	16.9%
Juab	100.0%	91.5%	0.1%	0.8%	0.3%	0.4%	2.2%	4.9%	8.5%
Kane	100.0%	90.3%	0.4%	1.6%	0.8%	0.0%	2.8%	4.2%	9.7%
Millard	100.0%	82.0%	0.1%	0.8%	1.1%	0.1%	2.3%	13.7%	18.0%
Morgan	100.0%	94.0%	0.1%	0.3%	0.5%	0.0%	2.4%	2.8%	6.0%
Piute	100.0%	88.7%	0.0%	0.3%	0.0%	0.0%	2.4%	8.6%	11.3%
Rich	100.0%	92.8%	0.4%	0.0%	0.1%	0.2%	2.6%	3.9%	7.2%
Salt Lake	100.0%	67.6%	1.9%	0.6%	4.2%	1.8%	4.4%	19.6%	32.4%
San Juan	100.0%	41.6%	0.2%	49.5%	0.2%	0.4%	3.0%	5.2%	58.4%
Sanpete	100.0%	83.3%	0.8%	0.8%	0.6%	0.9%	2.9%	10.7%	16.7%
Sevier	100.0%	90.1%	0.3%	1.5%	0.2%	0.2%	2.8%	4.9%	9.9%
Summit	100.0%	82.9%	0.4%	0.2%	1.7%	0.1%	3.6%	11.2%	17.1%
Tooele	100.0%	80.1%	0.6%	0.6%	0.7%	0.9%	4.1%	13.1%	19.9%
Uintah	100.0%	80.7%	0.3%	6.4%	0.4%	0.3%	4.0%	8.0%	19.4%
Utah	100.0%	78.6%	0.6%	0.4%	1.5%	1.0%	4.4%	13.4%	21.4%
Wasatch	100.0%	81.0%	0.4%	0.2%	1.0%	0.1%	2.8%	14.5%	19.0%
Washington	100.0%	81.8%	0.5%	0.9%	1.0%	0.9%	3.6%	11.4%	18.2%
Wayne	100.0%	91.2%	0.0%	0.8%	0.6%	0.1%	3.4%	3.9%	8.8%
Weber	100.0%	73.9%	1.2%	0.5%	1.4%	0.4%	4.0%	18.6%	26.1%

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