

HOW MANY LIVE IN LEA COUNTY

People Quick Facts

Lea County

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| Population, 2001 estimate | 55,149 |
| Population, 2000 | 55,511 |
| Population, percent change, 1990 to 2000 | -0.5% |
| Persons under 5 years old, percent, 2000 | 7.7% |
| Persons under 18 years old, percent, 2000 | 30.1% |
| Persons 65 years old and over, percent, 2000 | 12.2% |
| Female persons, percent, 2000 | 49.9% |
| White persons, percent, 2000 | 67.1% |
| Black or African-American persons, percent, 2000 | 4.4% |
| American Indian and Alaska Native persons, percent, 2000 | 1.0% |
| Asian persons, percent, 2000 | 0.4% |
| Persons reporting some other race, percent, 2000 | 23.8% |
| Persons of Hispanic or Latino origin, percent, 2000 | 39.6% |
| White persons, not of Hispanic/Latino origin, percent, 2000 | 54.0% |
| Foreign born persons, percent, 2000 | 11.3% |
| Language other than English spoken at home, pct age 5+, 2000 | 32.8% |
| High school graduates, percent of persons age 25+, 2000 | 67.1% |
| Bachelor's degree or higher, pct of persons age 25+, 2000 | 11.6% |
| Homeownership rate, 2000 | 72.6% |
| Median value of owner-occupied housing units, 2000 | \$50,100 |
| Persons below poverty, percent, 1999 | 21.1% |

*Information from the U.S. Census Bureau

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