
The changing age composition in New York State

Based on
Census 2010 Demographic Profiles

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Summary

On May 12, 2011 the U.S. Census Bureau released Census 2010 Demographic Profiles for New York State. This data provides a number of basic tables with information on the age structure, race/ethnicity, living arrangement and housing tenure down to places, towns and cities. Future products releases will give more cross-tabulations and more geographic detail.

This document details some first impressions of the changing age composition in New York State in the last decade.

The major conclusions:

- The total New York population grew with 2.1%, but that growth was evenly among the age groups: the growth of the 55-59 year old and 60-64 year old exceeded 30%. Some other age groups had counts lower in 2010 than in 2000, especially age groups under 15 and between 30 and 44 were a lot smaller in 2010.
- The median age was 38.0 and has been increasing since the 1970 census when the median age was 30.3.
- The share of the population that was 65 and over increased slightly over the last two decades after many decades of larger increases. During the next decade the first baby boomers will pass the 65 year of age mark and their share will almost certainly increase sharply over the next decade.
- The population age 85 and over increased sizably in number and share.
- The share of the population age under 18 was lowest since at least the 1950 Census. Not only did the share drop in the last decade, the total number decreased with -7.8%.
- There is a complex relation between age distribution and household and family size. The average household and family size both decreased over the last 10 years. Other data suggest that on the national level the historic decrease in household and family size leveled off and might even be on the rise. Demographic profiles released for some other states show increases, but the household and family size in New York decreased when comparing the Census 2000 and the Census 2010 snapshots.
- There are clear differences in age composition between the regions. New York City for example has a completely different looking age pyramid with relative large groups of people in their 20's and 30's. Many indicators put Western New York and the Mohawk Valley among the regions with the 'older' populations and smaller household sizes and the Mid-Hudson region among the regions with the 'younger' populations and larger households.
- Long Island has one of the largest shares of people under 18 and a large average family size, but at the same time an above average share of people age 65 and over and a relative high median age.
- The age characteristics in the North Country are biased by the presence of special populations at Fort Drum and the correctional facilities.

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Introduction

On May 12, 2011 the U.S. Census Bureau released the New York Demographic profiles. This data provides a number of basic tables with information on the age structure, race/ethnicity, living arrangement and housing tenure down to places, towns and cities. Earlier in 2011 the U.S. Census Bureau released redistricting data which contained total counts by race/ethnicity at a very fine geographic detail.

This document focuses on the change in age composition in the state and in the state's ten economic regions as defined by the New York State Department of Economic Development. It follows a report with first impressions based on the redistricting data which focused on the change in size and change in racial distribution.

The first section of the report contains a detailed age composition for New York State and some key statistics compared with the 2000 Census. It then highlights some of the age related statistics imbedded in the Demographic profiles. These statistics are compared with data from earlier censuses and contain a comparison between the ten regions.

The following sections contain age composition and a basic comparison with Census 2000 for each of the regions.

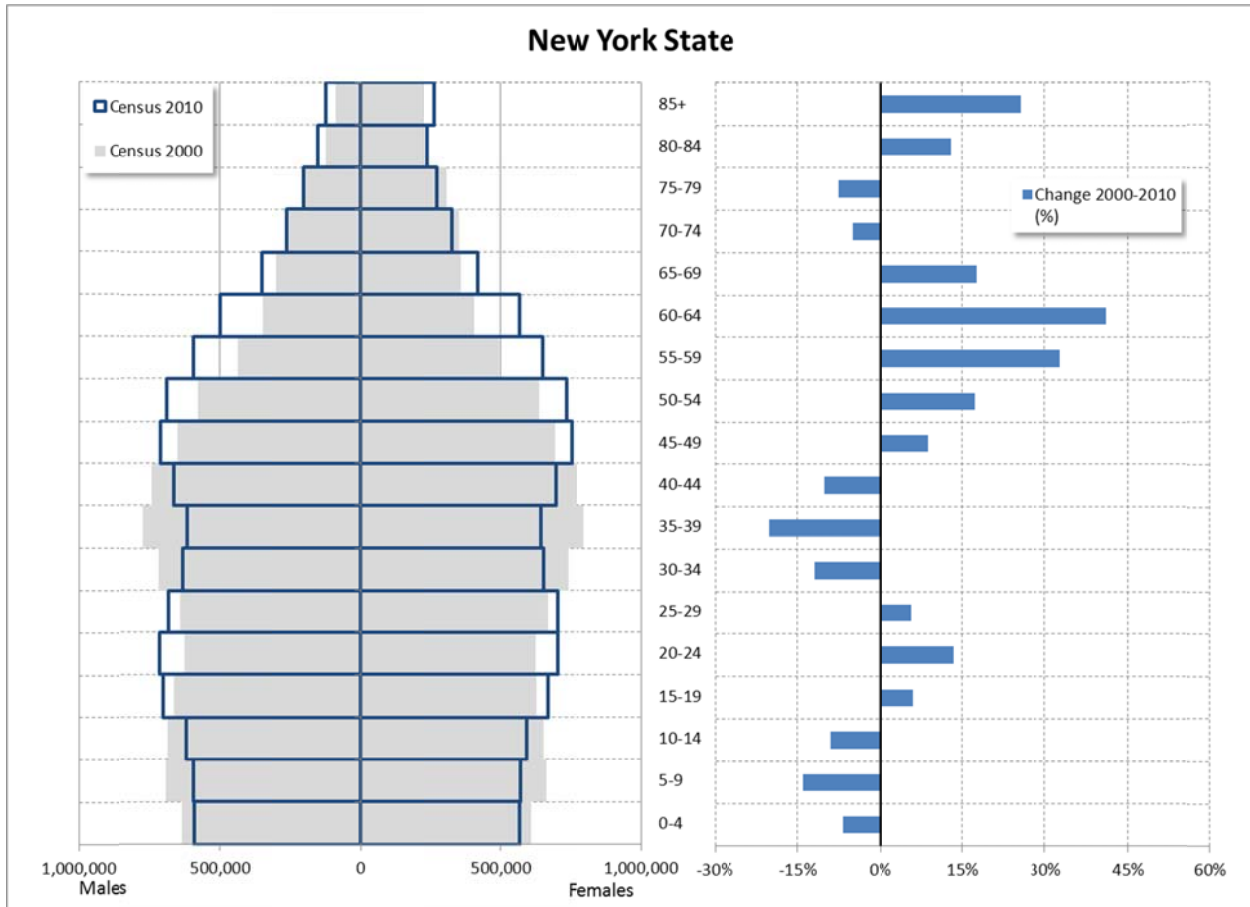
A map with the definition of the ten regions can be found in Appendix A.

Additional data, including interactive maps can be found on our web site (<http://pad.human.cornell.edu>)

New York State

Age composition

Chart 1: age composition and change by 5-year age group in New York State



- In 2010 the age group 45-49 was the largest 5-year age group.
- The age group 60-64 showed the most positive change: that group is 41% larger in 2010 than it was in 2000.
- The age group 35-39 showed the most negative change: that group is 20% smaller in 2010 than it was in 2000.
- The fast growing age groups (55-64) will be 65-74 year old in 2010 and we can assume that that age group will be the fastest growing in the coming decade.
- The number of people 85 and over increased from 311,488 to 390,874, an increase of 25.5%.
- Table 1 shows some key statistics from the Demographic Profile and compares them with outcomes from Census 2000.
- The influence of the decrease of the population under 18 (-7.8%) can be found back in several of the other statistics (young age dependency, households with individuals under 18). It probably also explains the decrease in household and family size.
- The 65 and over population living alone can be seen as a vulnerable group because they are older and thus more at risk to fall ill, but do not have someone else in the household to take over care. The size of this group grew over the last decade and we are seeing 21% more male 65 and over living alone.

Table 1: Age and household statistics for New York State

	2000	2010	Difference
Total population			
Total	18,976,457	19,378,102	2.1%
Under 18	4,690,107	4,324,929	-7.8%
65 and over	2,448,352	2,617,943	6.9%
85 and over	311,488	390,874	25.5%
Share of total population			
Under 18	24.7%	22.3%	-2.4 pp
65 and over	12.9%	13.5%	0.6 pp
85 and over	1.6%	2.0%	0.4 pp
Median age			
Total	35.9	37.9	2.0
Male	34.5	36.3	1.8
Female	37.2	39.4	2.2
Age dependency (per hundred 18-64 year old)			
Young age (under 18)	39.6	34.8	-4.8
Old age (65 and over)	20.7	21.1	0.4
Households			
Total households	7,056,860	7,317,755	3.7%
Households with individuals under 18	2,466,483	2,319,196	-6.0%
Households with individuals 65 and over	1,767,452	1,925,416	8.9%
Share of total households			
Households with individuals under 18	35.0%	31.7%	-3.3 pp
Households with individuals 65 and over	25.0%	26.3%	1.3 pp
65 and over living alone			
65 and over male householder living alone	179,457	217,252	21.1%
Share of all male 65 and over	18.4%	20.0%	1.6 pp
65 and over female householder living alone	536,093	550,105	2.6%
Share of all female 65 and over	36.4%	35.9%	-0.5 pp
Average household size	2.61	2.57	-0.04
Average family size	3.22	3.20	-0.02

Median age

Chart 2: Historic median age for the US and New York State

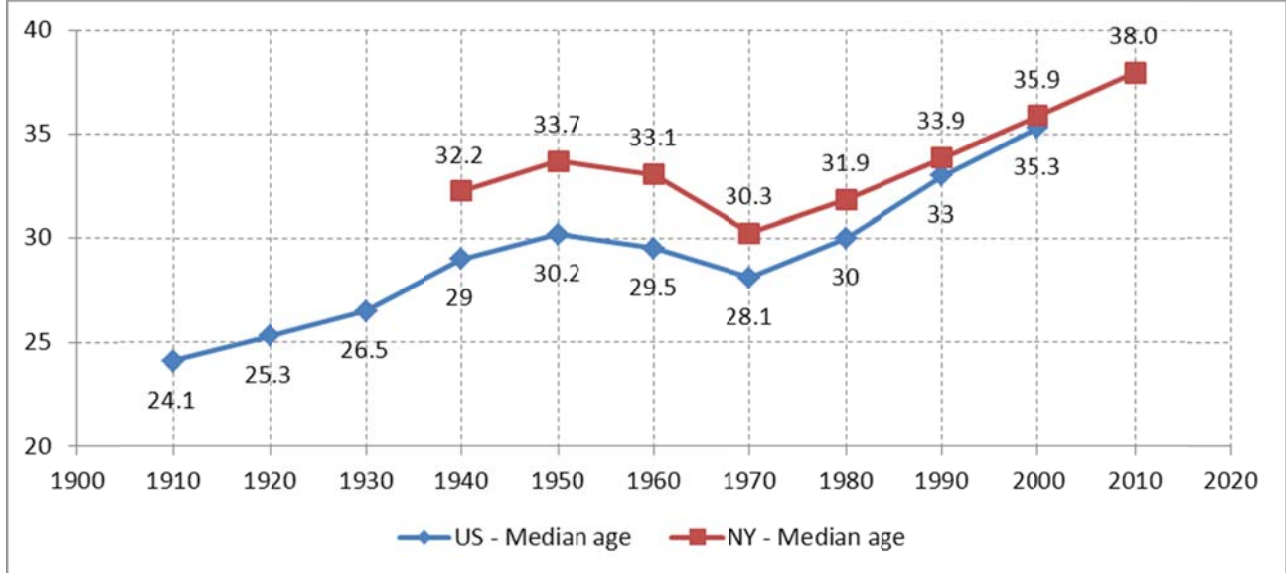
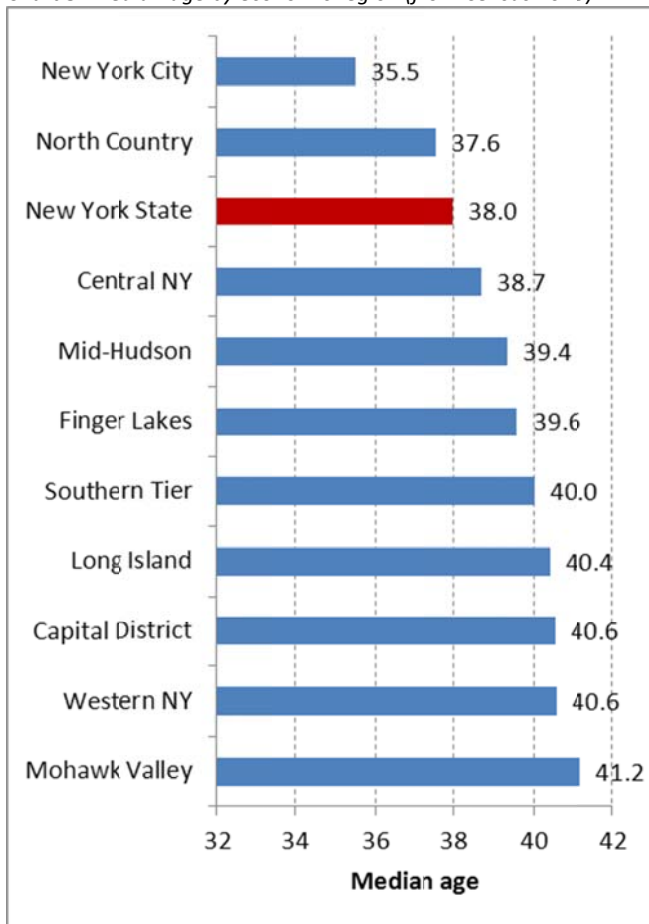


Chart 3: Median age by economic region (from Census 2010)



- The median age is the age that divides the population in two equal sub groups, 50% younger and 50% older.
- Since 1970 the median age has increased and it was 38.0 in 2010.
- Historically the median age in NY was slightly higher than the US as a whole. The 2010 US median age is not yet published.
- The baby boom caused the median age to drop during the 50's and 60's; now that generation is all at the older side of the median age.
- The median age was lowest in New York City (35.5) and highest in the Mohawk valley (41.2).
- The presence of Fort Drum and several prisons contribute to the relative low median age in the North Country.
- On a county level, Tompkins County was the youngest (median age: 29.8) and Hamilton the oldest (51.3)

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Population age 65 and over

Chart 4: Historic count and share of the population age 65 and older in New York State

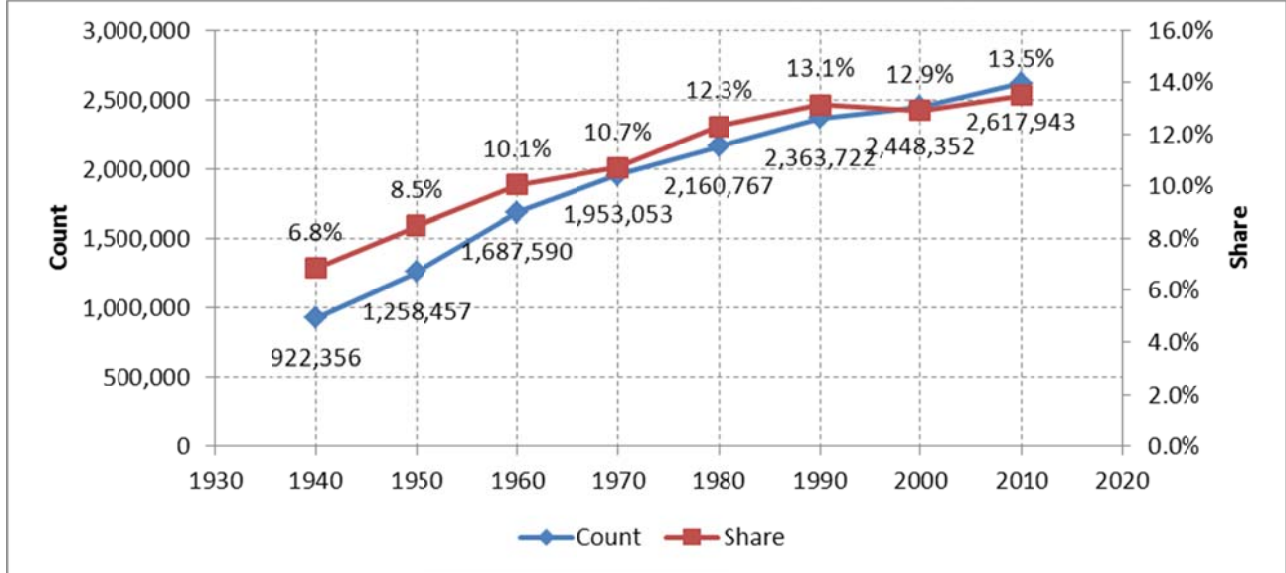
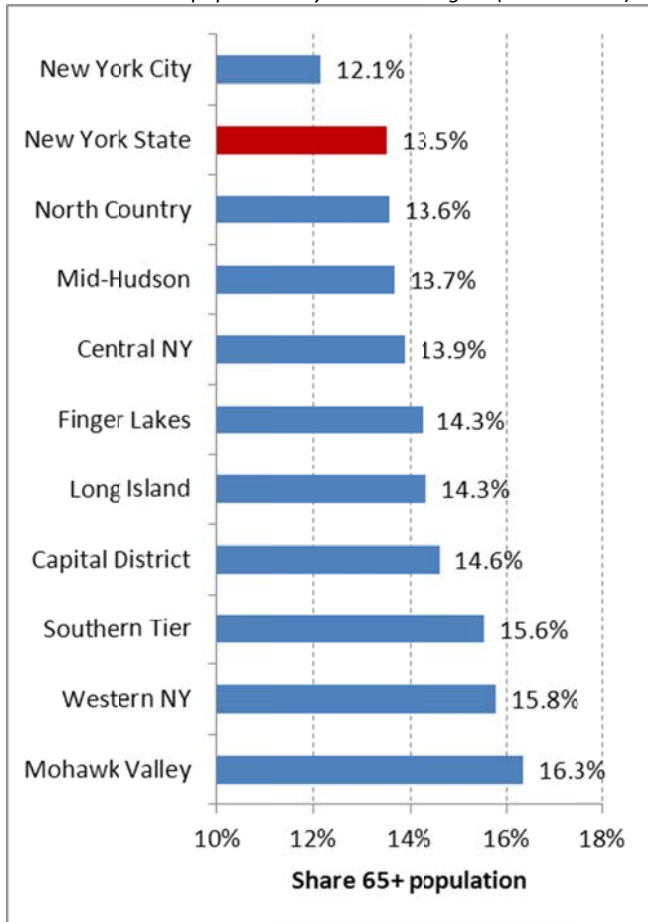


Chart 5: Share 65+ population by economic region (Census 2010)



- The size of the 65 and over population has been increasing since at least 1940 and has almost tripled in size during those 70 years.
- The last decade this group increased with 6.9%.
- As a share of the total population there was a strong increase from 1940-1990, but since 1990 the share has been rather flat. With the first baby-boomers starting to reach age 65 this year, we can expect an increasing share in the coming decades.
- About 1 in 8 of the population in New York City is age 65 and over, in the Mohawk Valley almost 1 in 6 is 65 plus.

Population age 85 and over

Chart 6: Historic count and share of the population age 85 and older in New York State

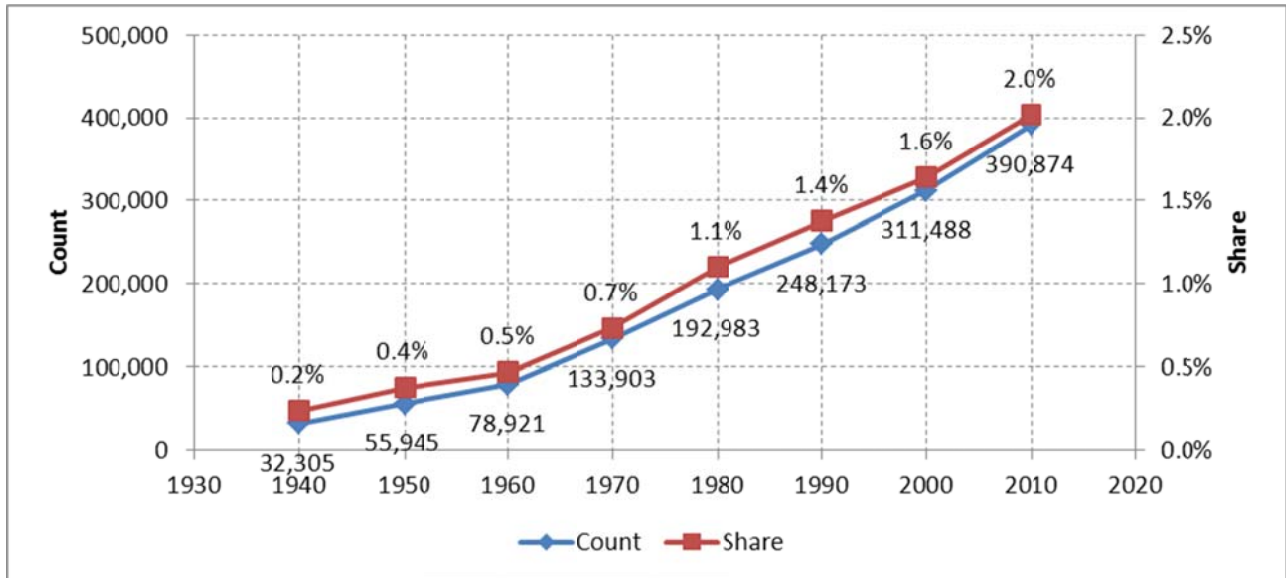
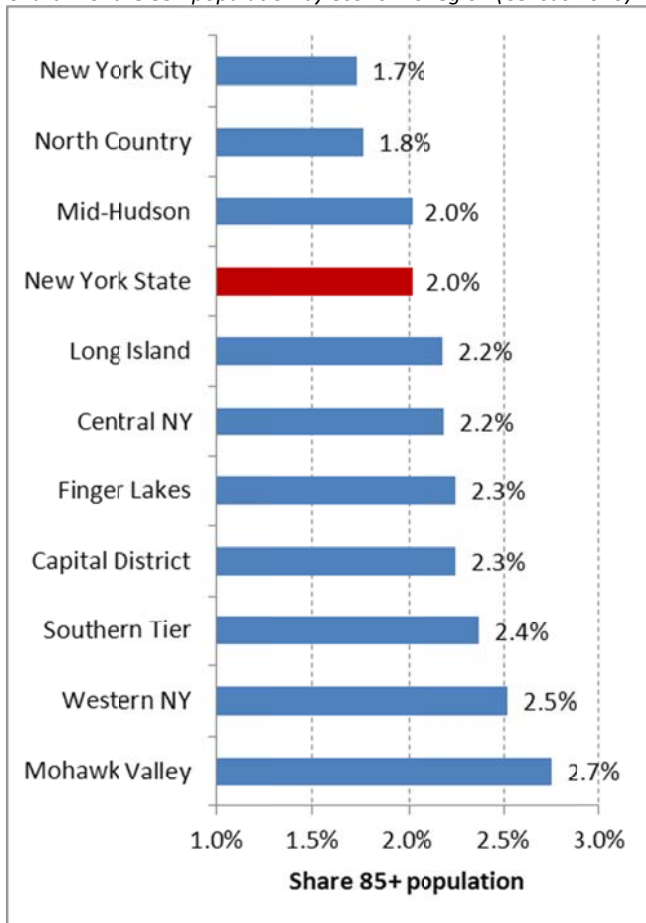


Chart 7: Share 85+ population by economic region (Census 2010)



- The population age 85 has been increasing since at least 1940 and is now more than 10 times the size.
- The last decade the number of people in New York age 85 and over increased from 311,488 to 390,874; an increase of 25.5%.
- The share also increased and in 2010 2.0% of the population was older than 85.
- The share was highest in the Mohawk Valley.

Population under age 18

Chart 8: Historic count and share of the population under age 18 in New York State

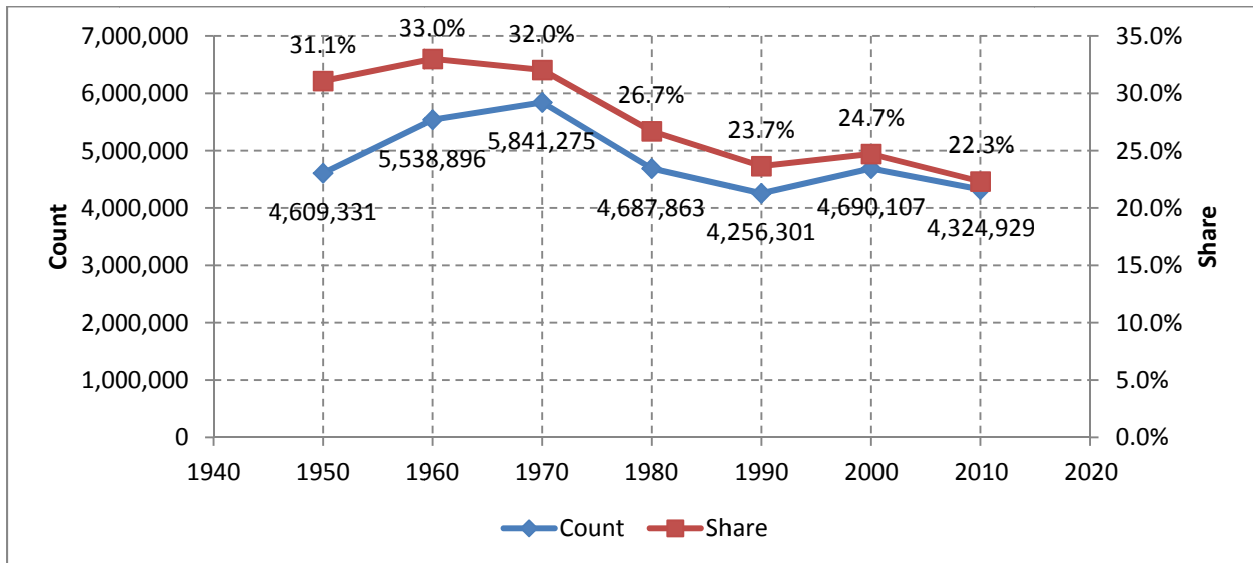
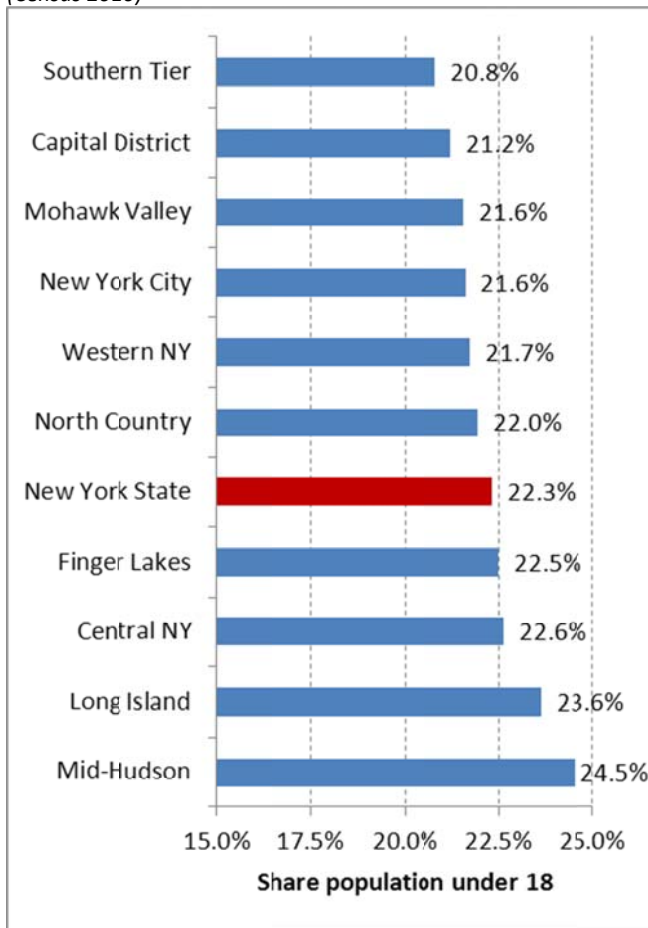


Chart 9: Share population under age 18 by economic region (Census 2010)



- The size of the population under 18 has been going up and down since 1950. The last decade the size of this group decreased with about 365 thousand (-7.8%)
- 22.3% of the population was under 18 in 2010, down from 2000 when it was 24.7%.
- The share of the population that was younger than 18 was largest in the Mid-Hudson region (24.5%) and Long Island (23.6%).
- The Southern Tier had relative the smallest size population age under 18 (20.8%).

Average household and family size

Chart 10: Historic average household and family size

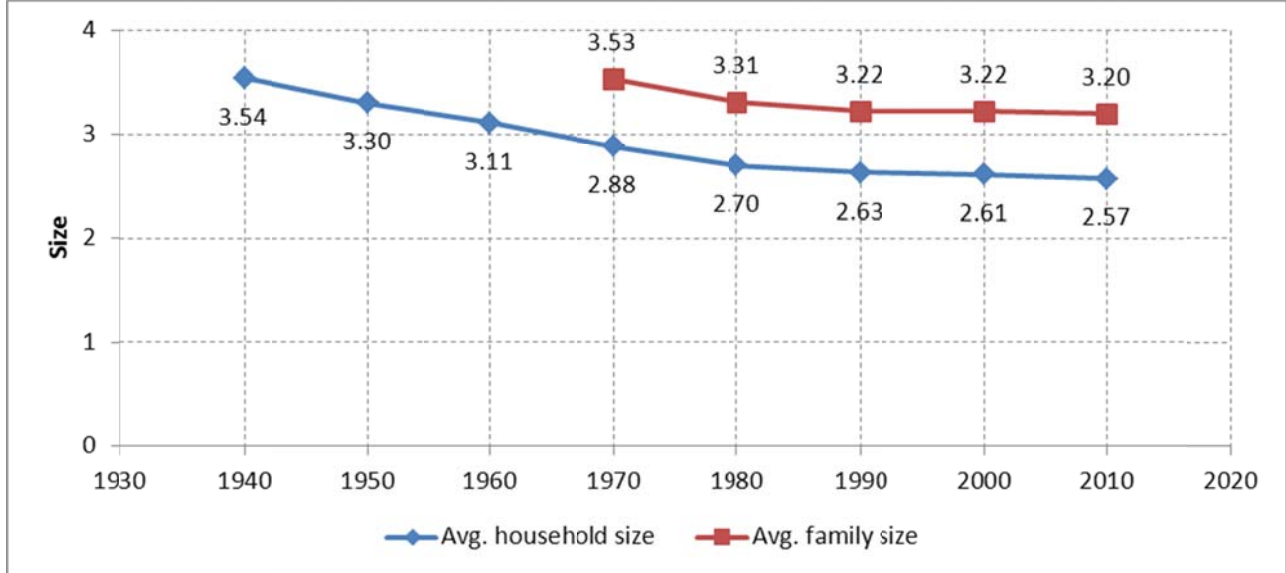
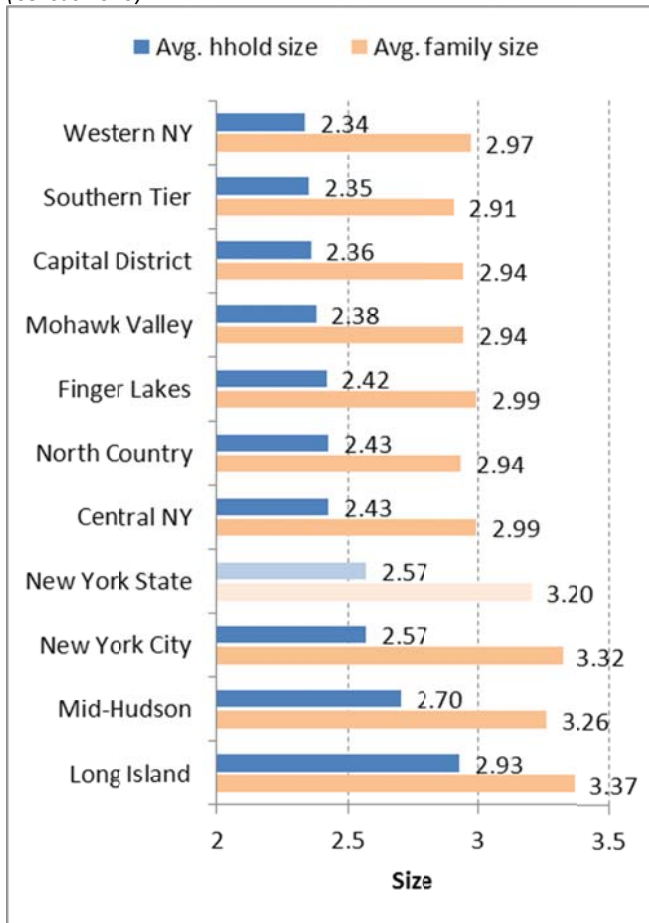


Chart 11: Average household and family size by economic region (Census 2010)



- The household size is a count of all people residing in one housing unit.
- The family size is a count of the householder plus everyone related to him (through marriage or birth). A family always consist of the householder and at least one other related person.
- The presence of children, a spouse and parents moving in with their children all influence the family and household size.
- Roommates, unmarried partners (including same-sex partners), etc. influence only the household size.
- Nationwide survey data suggests that the average household and family size are increasing since the last few years, but we do not see that in comparing the 2010 snapshot with the 2000 snapshot.
- Average household and family size are largest in Long Island.

Living arrangements population age 65 and over

Chart 12: Living arrangements population age 65 and over (NY state, Census 2000)

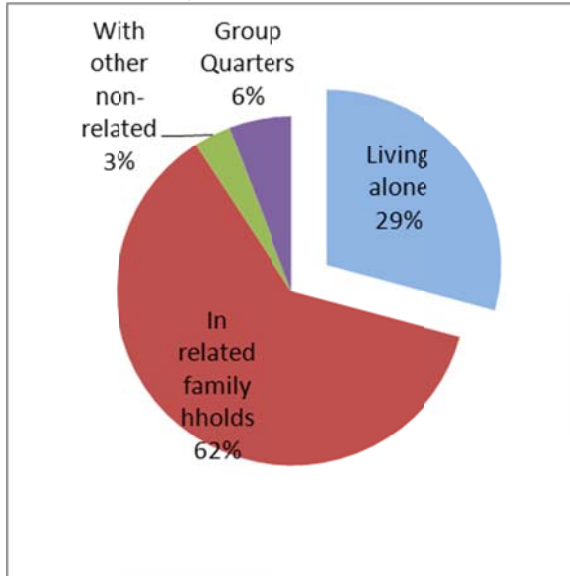


Chart 13: Living arrangements population age 65 and over (NY state, Census 2010)

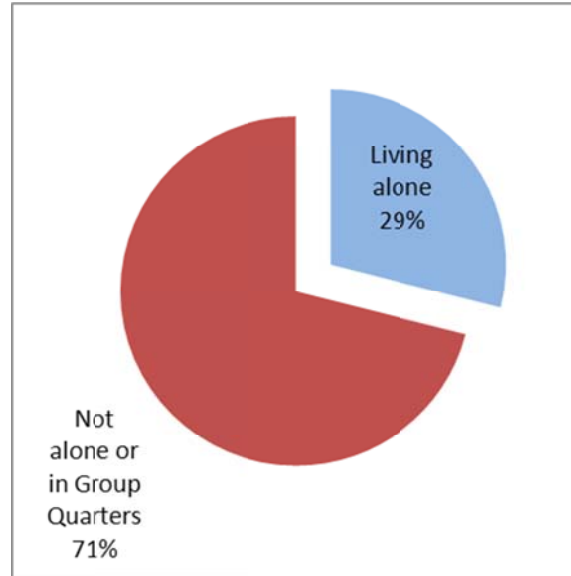
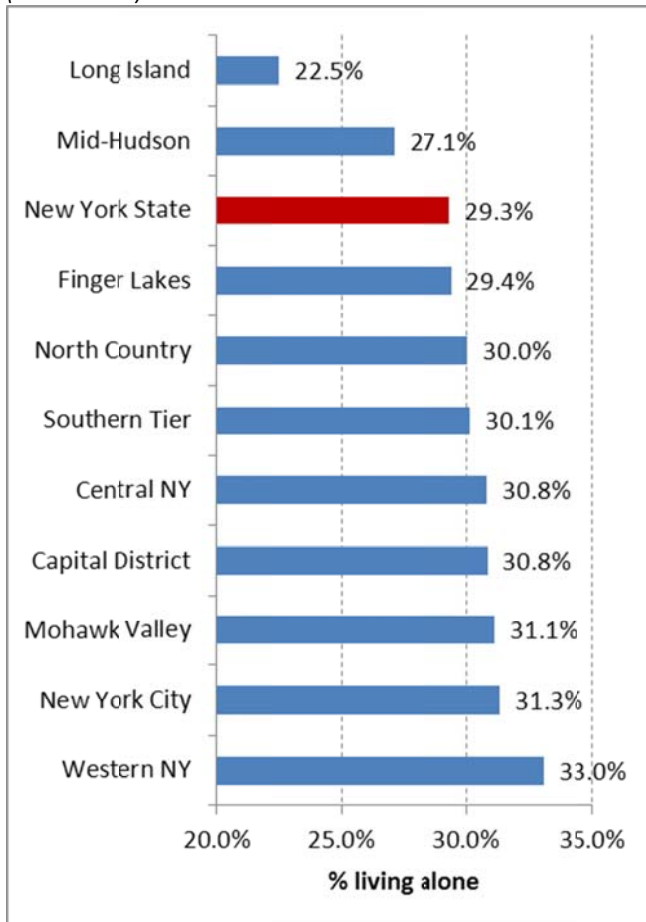


Chart 14: Share of population 65+ living alone by economic region (Census 2010)

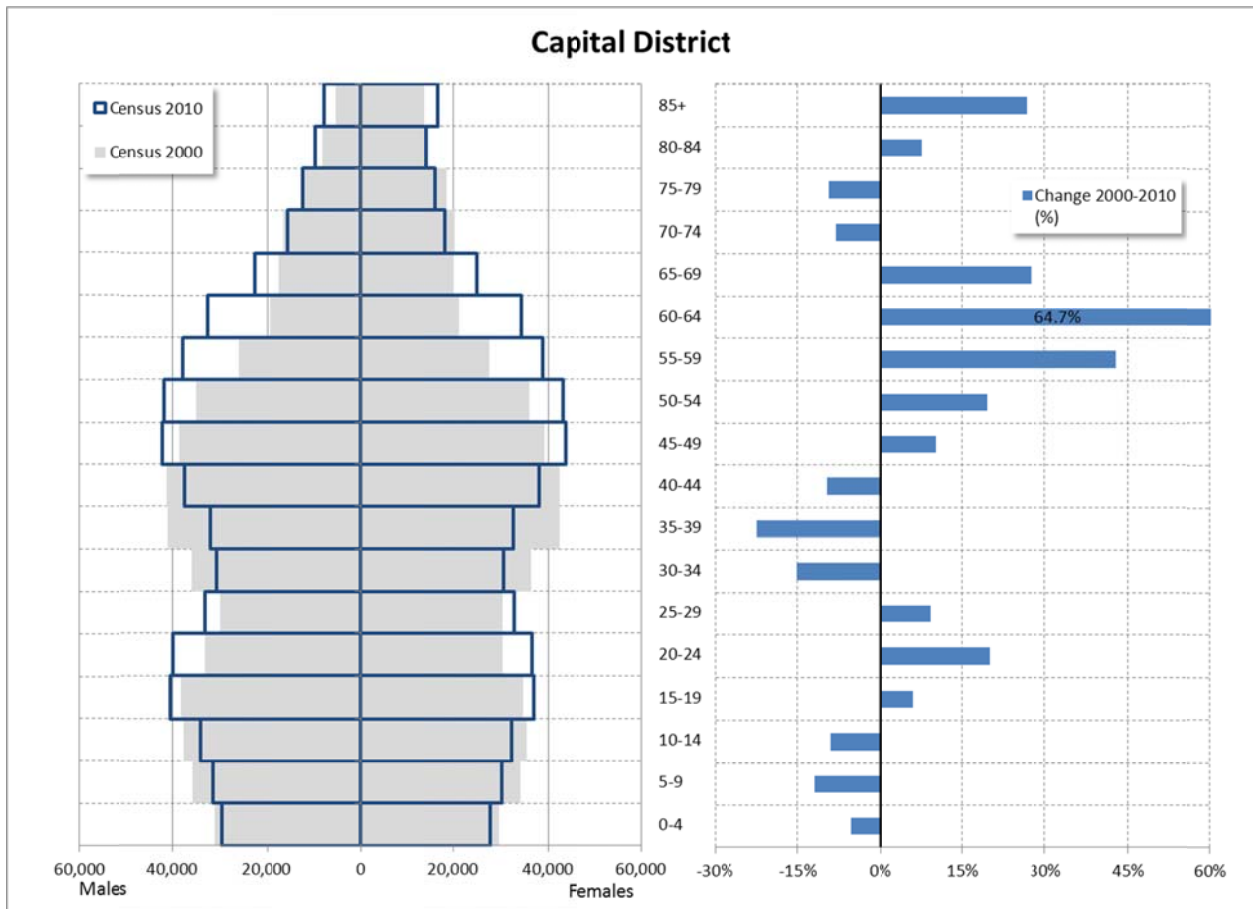


- In 2000 29% of all individuals age 65 and over lived alone, 62% lived with family, 3% with others and 6% in group quarters like nursing homes.
- The 2010 Demographic Profiles do not contain the same level of detail, but indicates that the share of 65 plus population living alone hardly changed (from 29.2% to 29.3%).
- This group is potentially vulnerable since they are more at risk to get sick, but have no one in the household for immediate care.
- Note that some of these one-person households can be attached to care facilities where immediate care is available.
- The share of 65 and over living alone varied from 22.5% in Long Island to 33.0% in Western NY.

Capital District



Chart 15: age composition and change by 5-year age group in the Capital District



- The population age 60-64 was 64.7% larger in 2010 than in 2000.
- Average family and household size are lower than the state average and also decreased more than the statewide averages.
- Most of the trends are consistent with the state wide trends.



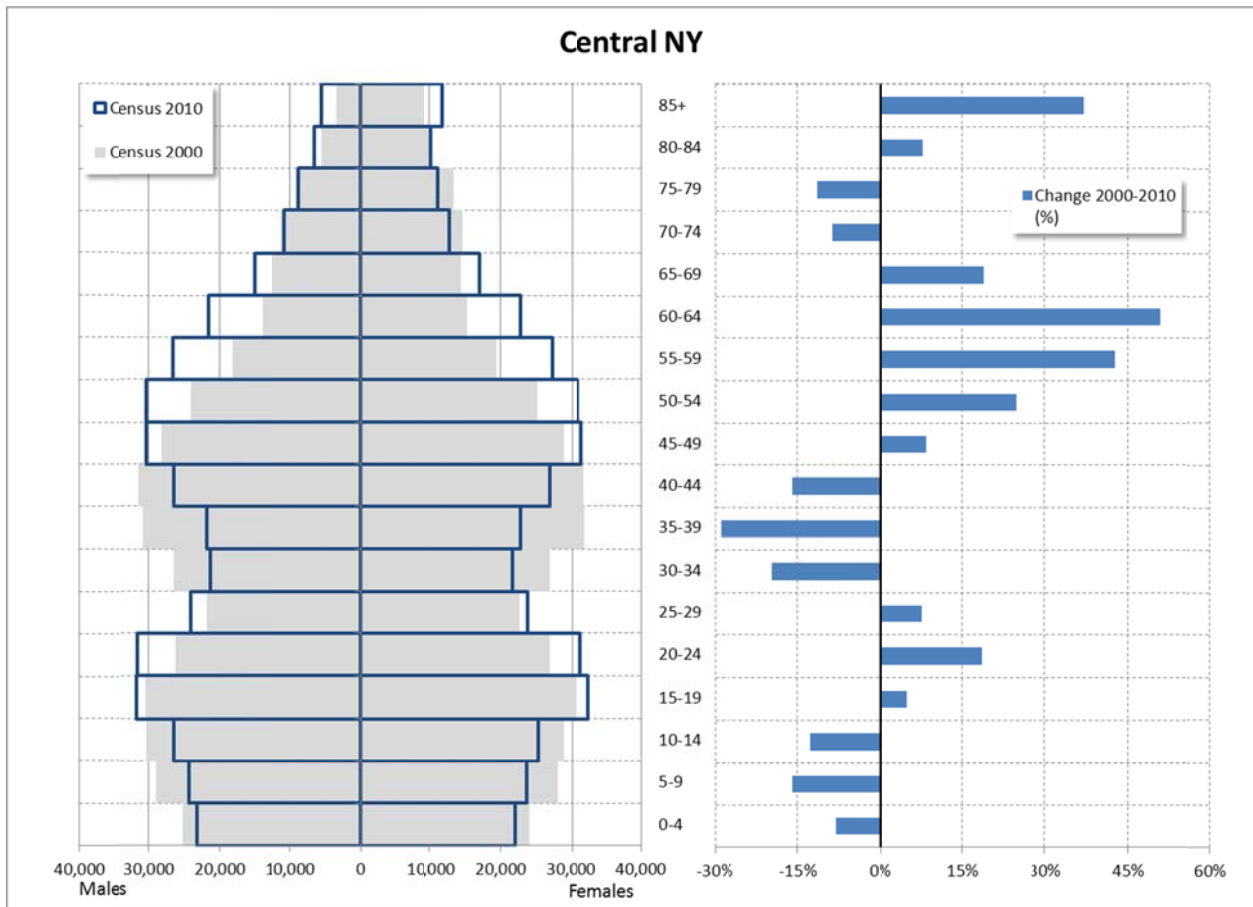
Table 2: Age and household statistics for the Capital District

	2000	2010	Difference
Total population			
Total	1,029,927	1,079,207	4.8%
Under 18	245,855	229,116	-6.8%
65 and over	146,700	157,929	7.7%
85 and over	19,210	24,334	26.7%
Share of total population			
Under 18	23.9%	21.2%	-2.6 pp
65 and over	14.2%	14.6%	0.4 pp
85 and over	1.9%	2.3%	0.4 pp
Median age			
Total	37.5	40.6	3.0
Male	36.2	39.1	2.9
Female	38.8	41.9	3.0
Age dependency (per hundred 18-64 year old)			
Young age (under 18)	38.6	33.1	-5.5
Old age (65 and over)	23.0	22.8	-0.2
Households			
Total households	409,491	439,996	7.4%
Households with individuals under 18	133,428	127,043	-4.8%
Households with individuals 65 and over	102,656	114,260	11.3%
Share of total households			
Households with individuals under 18	32.6%	28.9%	-3.7 pp
Households with individuals 65 and over	25.1%	26.0%	0.9 pp
65 and over living alone			
65 and over male householder living alone	11,265	14,204	26.1%
Share of all male 65 and over	18.9%	21.0%	2.2 pp
65 and over female householder living alone	33,128	34,456	4.0%
Share of all female 65 and over	38.1%	38.1%	0.0 pp
Average household size	2.41	2.36	-0.05
Average family size	2.99	2.94	-0.05

Central New York



Chart 16: age composition and change by 5-year age group in Central New York



- Most statistics and trends in Central New York are very similar to the Statewide average.
- The population age 85 and over grew faster than statewide though.



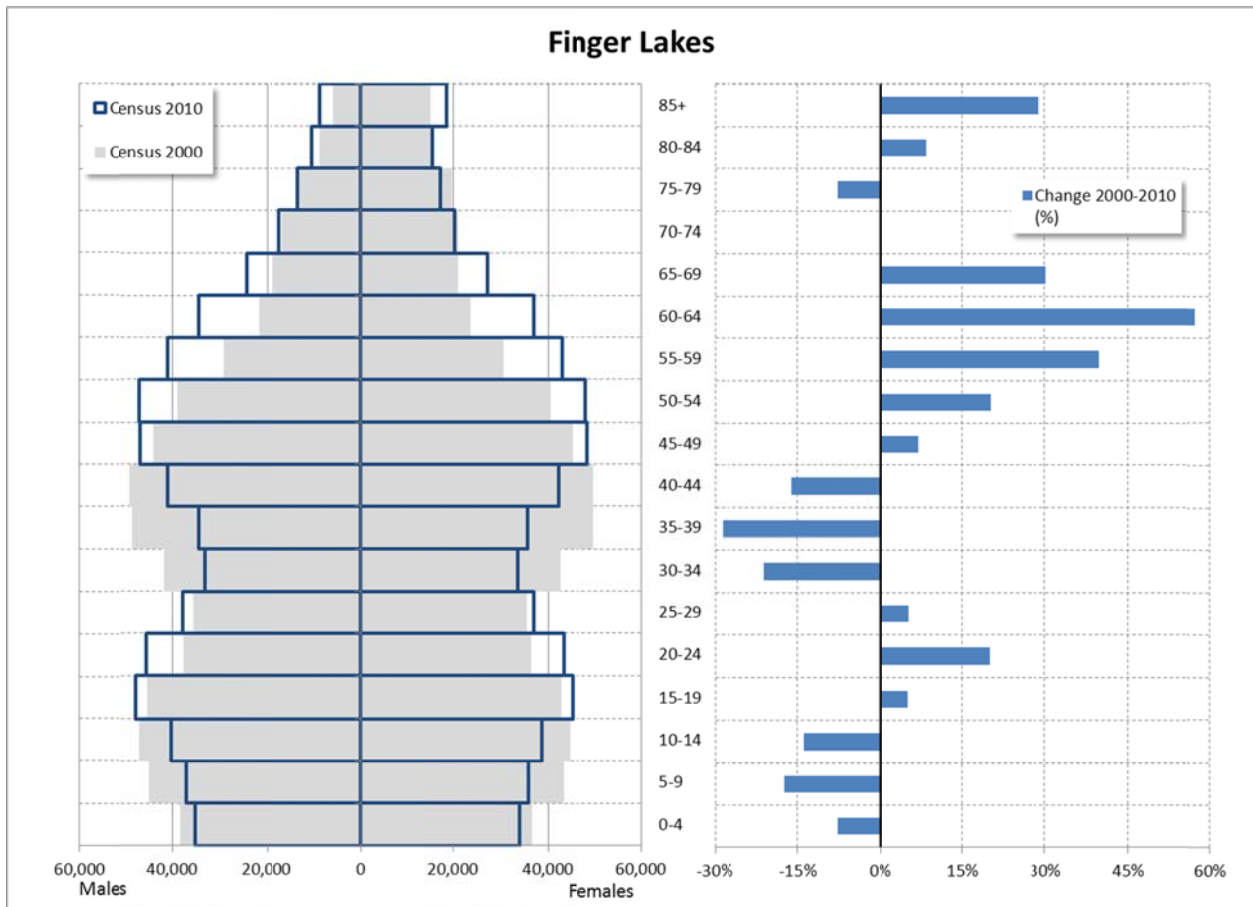
Table 3: Age and household statistics for Central New York

	2000	2010	Difference
Total population			
Total	780,716	791,939	1.4%
Under 18	200,205	179,192	-10.5%
65 and over	103,695	109,910	6.0%
85 and over	12,666	17,367	37.1%
Share of total population			
Under 18	25.6%	22.6%	-3.0 pp
65 and over	13.3%	13.9%	0.6 pp
85 and over	1.6%	2.2%	0.6 pp
Median age			
Total	36.0	38.7	2.7
Male	34.9	37.4	2.5
Female	37.0	40.0	2.9
Age dependency (per hundred 18-64 year old)			
Young age (under 18)	42.0	35.6	-6.4
Old age (65 and over)	21.7	21.9	0.1
Households			
Total households	300,811	311,956	3.7%
Households with individuals under 18	105,144	96,157	-8.5%
Households with individuals 65 and over	73,243	79,141	8.1%
Share of total households			
Households with individuals under 18	35.0%	30.8%	-4.1 pp
Households with individuals 65 and over	24.3%	25.4%	1.0 pp
65 and over living alone			
65 and over male householder living alone	7,841	9,774	24.7%
Share of all male 65 and over	18.6%	20.9%	2.2 pp
65 and over female householder living alone	24,321	24,053	-1.1%
Share of all female 65 and over	39.5%	38.1%	-1.3 pp
Average household size	2.50	2.43	-0.07
Average family size	3.06	2.99	-0.07

Finger Lakes



Chart 17: age composition and change by 5-year age group in the Finger Lakes



- Compared to the statewide numbers, we notice a relative larger growth in the 65 and over population in the Finger Lakes region. This is also reflected in larger than average growth in households with individuals age 65 and over and the numbers of them living alone.
- The decline in average household and family size is larger than the decline in other regions.
- The average age increased with 3.2 years. This is the largest increase among the regions.



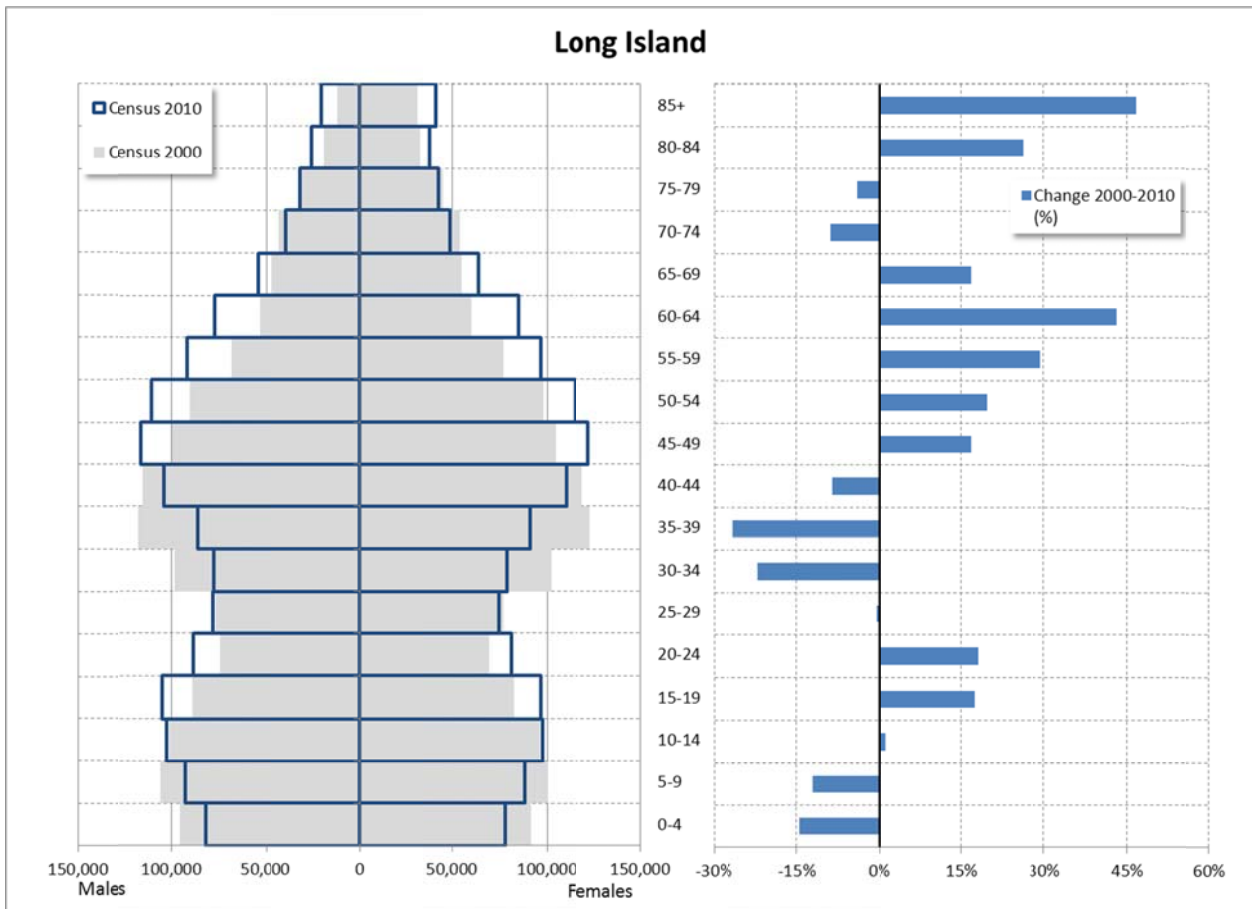
Table 4: Age and household statistics for the Finger Lakes

	2000	2010	Difference
Total population			
Total	1,199,588	1,217,156	1.5%
Under 18	307,083	273,752	-10.9%
65 and over	156,003	173,533	11.2%
85 and over	21,273	27,440	29.0%
Share of total population			
Under 18	25.6%	22.5%	-3.1 pp
65 and over	13.0%	14.3%	1.3 pp
85 and over	1.8%	2.3%	0.5 pp
Median age			
Total	36.4	39.6	3.2
Male	35.2	38.1	2.8
Female	37.5	40.9	3.4
Age dependency (per hundred 18-64 year old)			
Young age (under 18)	41.7	35.6	-6.1
Old age (65 and over)	21.2	22.5	1.4
Households			
Total households	456,638	482,693	5.7%
Households with individuals under 18	160,238	146,631	-8.5%
Households with individuals 65 and over	107,933	123,288	14.2%
Share of total households			
Households with individuals under 18	35.1%	30.4%	-4.7 pp
Households with individuals 65 and over	23.6%	25.5%	1.9 pp
65 and over living alone			
65 and over male householder living alone	11,135	14,412	29.4%
Share of all male 65 and over	17.5%	19.4%	1.9 pp
65 and over female householder living alone	34,532	36,571	5.9%
Share of all female 65 and over	37.4%	36.8%	-0.5 pp
Average household size	2.52	2.42	-0.10
Average family size	3.07	2.99	-0.08

Long Island



Chart 18: age composition and change by 5-year age group in Long Island



- The change in population age 85 and over (46.6%) is the largest among the regions.
- The average household and family size is much larger than the state average and Long Island is only one of two regions that saw an increase in the average family size.



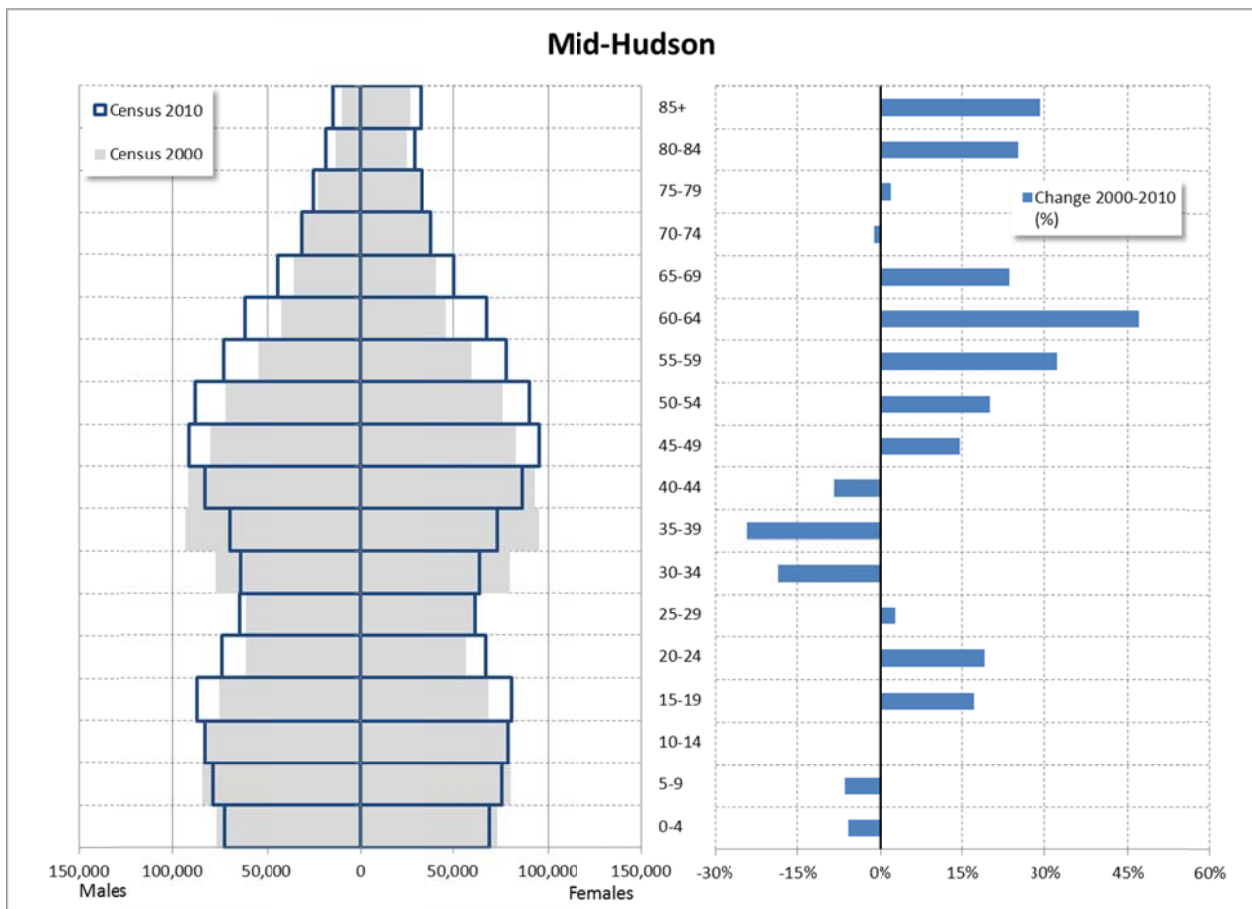
Table 5: Age and household statistics for Long Island

	2000	2010	Difference
Total population			
Total	2,753,913	2,832,882	2.9%
Under 18	699,160	669,250	-4.3%
65 and over	368,399	406,474	10.3%
85 and over	42,211	61,898	46.6%
Share of total population			
Under 18	25.4%	23.6%	-1.8 pp
65 and over	13.4%	14.3%	1.0 pp
85 and over	1.5%	2.2%	0.7 pp
Median age			
Total	37.4	40.4	3.0
Male	36.2	38.8	2.6
Female	38.6	41.8	3.2
Age dependency (per hundred 18-64 year old)			
Young age (under 18)	41.5	38.1	-3.4
Old age (65 and over)	21.8	23.1	1.3
Households			
Total households	916,686	948,450	3.5%
Households with individuals under 18	362,829	353,303	-2.6%
Households with individuals 65 and over	256,264	287,969	12.4%
Share of total households			
Households with individuals under 18	39.6%	37.3%	-2.3 pp
Households with individuals 65 and over	28.0%	30.4%	2.4 pp
65 and over living alone			
65 and over male householder living alone	17,985	23,260	29.3%
Share of all male 65 and over	11.8%	13.6%	1.8 pp
65 and over female householder living alone	60,384	68,283	13.1%
Share of all female 65 and over	27.9%	29.0%	1.1 pp
Average household size	2.95	2.93	-0.02
Average family size	3.35	3.37	0.02

Mid-Hudson



Chart 19: age composition and change by 5-year age group in the Mid-Hudson



- The Mid-Hudson region was the region with the largest growth in population (5.1%).
- That growth was manifested in several age categories; the 13.8% growth of the 65 year and older was the largest such growth and the -0.9% decrease in under 18 population was the smallest decrease.
- The share of the under 18 population (24.5%) is the largest in the state.
- The average household and family size is larger than the state average and the Mid-Hudson region is only one of two regions that saw an increase in the average family size.



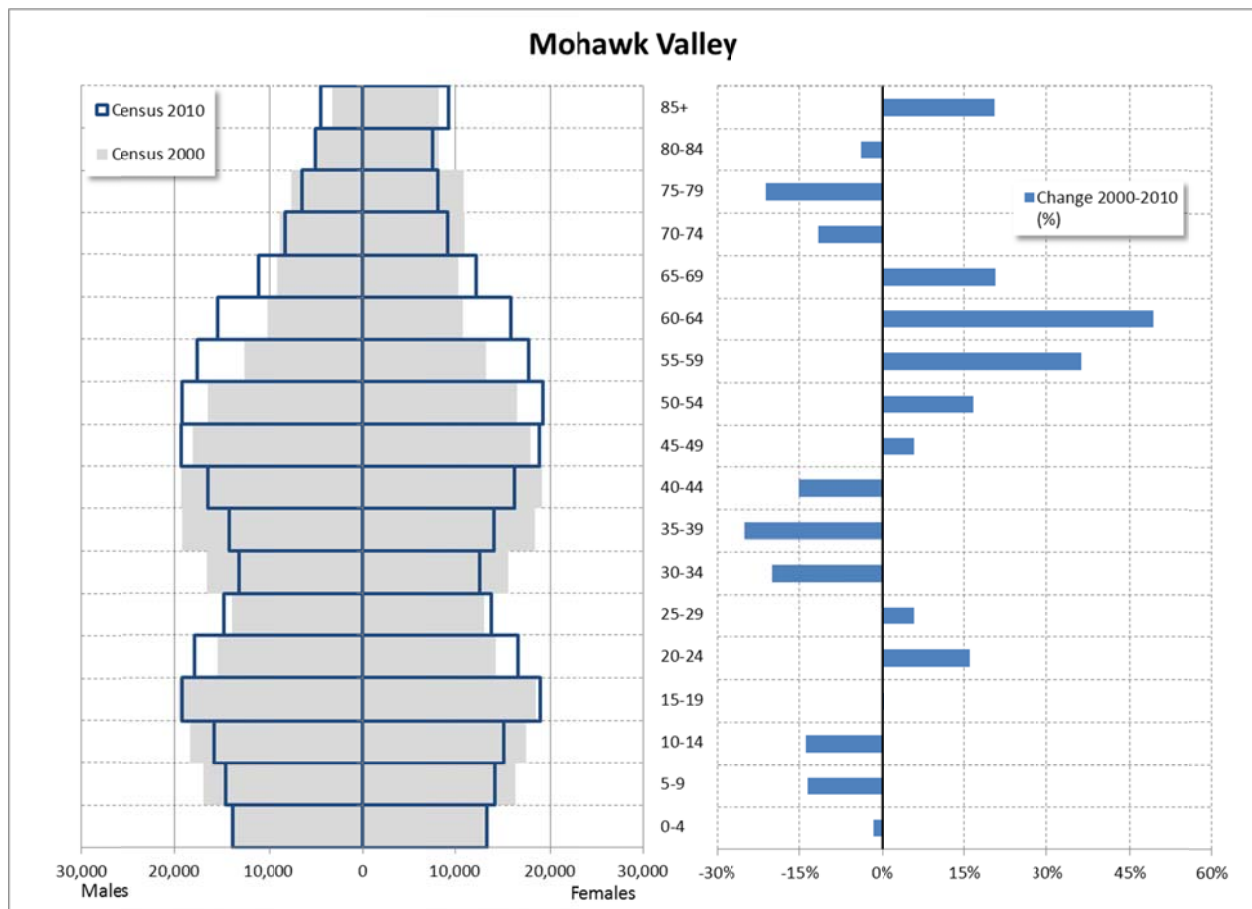
Table 6: Age and household statistics for the Mid-Hudson

	2000	2010	Difference
Total population			
Total	2,179,189	2,290,851	5.1%
Under 18	566,104	561,120	-0.9%
65 and over	275,134	313,168	13.8%
85 and over	35,695	46,156	29.3%
Share of total population			
Under 18	26.0%	24.5%	-1.5 pp
65 and over	12.6%	13.7%	1.0 pp
85 and over	1.6%	2.0%	0.4 pp
Median age			
Total	36.9	39.4	2.5
Male	35.7	37.7	2.0
Female	38.1	40.8	2.7
Age dependency (per hundred 18-64 year old)			
Young age (under 18)	42.3	39.6	-2.7
Old age (65 and over)	20.6	22.1	1.5
Households			
Total households	772,004	816,593	5.8%
Households with individuals under 18	292,042	290,654	-0.5%
Households with individuals 65 and over	193,014	223,764	15.9%
Share of total households			
Households with individuals under 18	37.8%	35.6%	-2.2 pp
Households with individuals 65 and over	25.0%	27.4%	2.4 pp
65 and over living alone			
65 and over male householder living alone	17,403	23,513	35.1%
Share of all male 65 and over	15.5%	17.7%	2.2 pp
65 and over female householder living alone	55,008	61,274	11.4%
Share of all female 65 and over	33.8%	34.0%	0.1 pp
Average household size	2.72	2.70	-0.02
Average family size	3.25	3.26	0.01



Mohawk Valley

Chart 20: age composition and change by 5-year age group in the Mohawk Valley



- The share of the population that is 65 and over in the Mohawk Valley was 16.3%, the highest among the regions, but at the same times it was the only region that saw a decrease in that share.
- The number of people age 65 and over decreased slightly (-0.4%). Mohawk Valley was the only region where the 2010 age group 80-84 was smaller than the 2000 80-84 age group. Also the decrease in the 75-79 year old was the largest among the regions. This could indicate that this region saw a larger than average out-migration of these age groups.
- The median age of 41.2 was the highest of all regions.



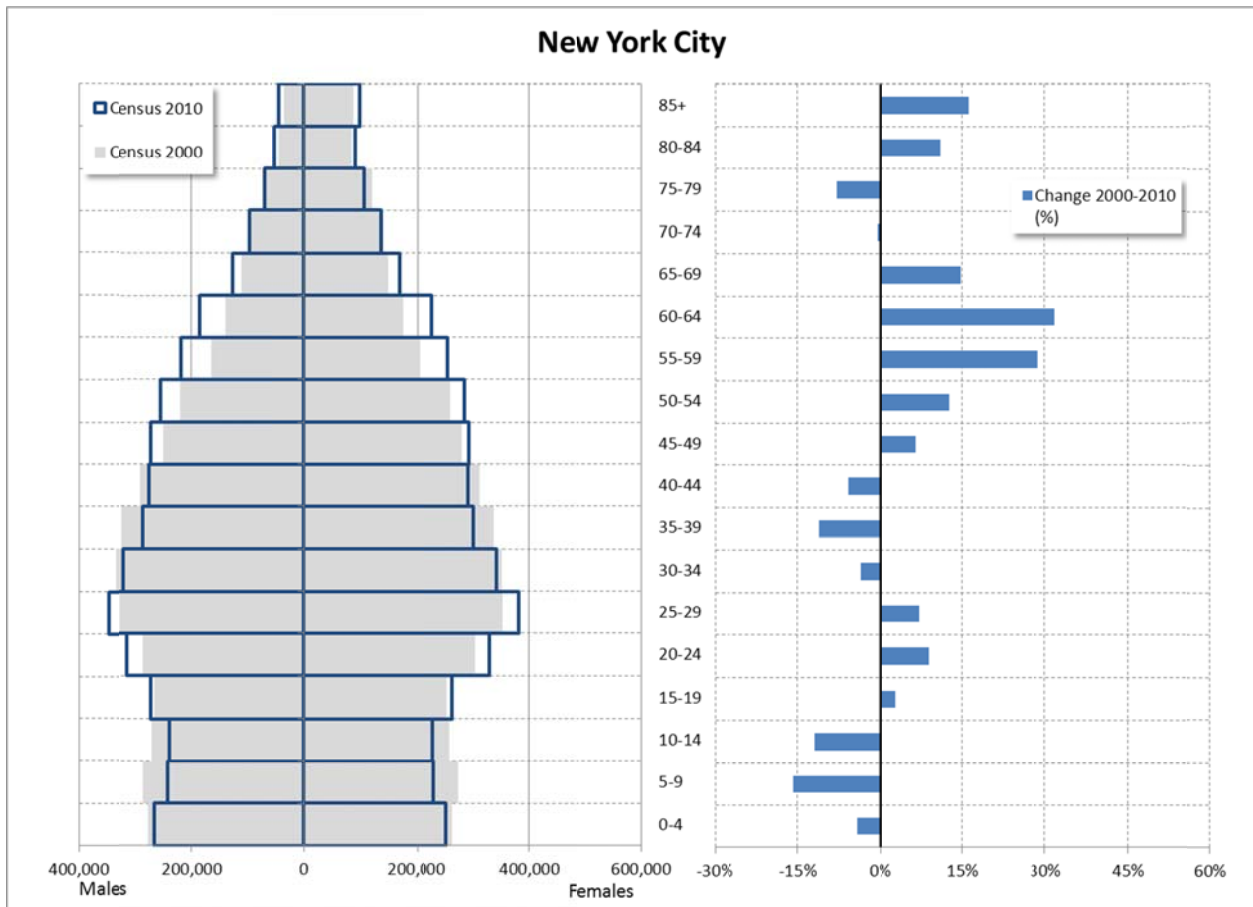
Table 7: Age and household statistics for the Mohawk Valley

	2000	2010	Difference
Total population			
Total	497,935	500,155	0.4%
Under 18	119,332	107,952	-9.5%
65 and over	82,090	81,755	-0.4%
85 and over	11,414	13,749	20.5%
Share of total population			
Under 18	24.0%	21.6%	-2.4 pp
65 and over	16.5%	16.3%	-0.1 pp
85 and over	2.3%	2.7%	0.5 pp
Median age			
Total	38.3	41.2	2.8
Male	36.8	39.9	3.1
Female	39.9	42.4	2.5
Age dependency (per hundred 18-64 year old)			
Young age (under 18)	40.2	34.8	-5.5
Old age (65 and over)	27.7	26.3	-1.4
Households			
Total households	193,434	199,964	3.4%
Households with individuals under 18	63,104	57,899	-8.2%
Households with individuals 65 and over	56,637	58,278	2.9%
Share of total households			
Households with individuals under 18	32.6%	29.0%	-3.7 pp
Households with individuals 65 and over	29.3%	29.1%	-0.1 pp
65 and over living alone			
65 and over male householder living alone	6,389	7,717	20.8%
Share of all male 65 and over	19.2%	21.9%	2.7 pp
65 and over female householder living alone	18,940	17,700	-6.5%
Share of all female 65 and over	38.8%	38.0%	-0.8 pp
Average household size	2.44	2.38	-0.06
Average family size	2.99	2.94	-0.04

New York City



Chart 21: age composition and change by 5-year age group in New York City



- The shape of the age pyramid for New York City is different than the other pyramids. Where other regions have relative few 25-39 year old, in New York City those are the larger age groups.
- The changes over time are also smaller for most age groups.
- Related to that is the smallest increase in median age, which is the lowest median age in the state.
- The share of the population 65 and over is 12.1%, the lowest among the regions.
- The average family size is one of the highest with 3.32. The share of population under 18 is average. Further study beyond the purpose of this report is necessary to explain the relative large family size.



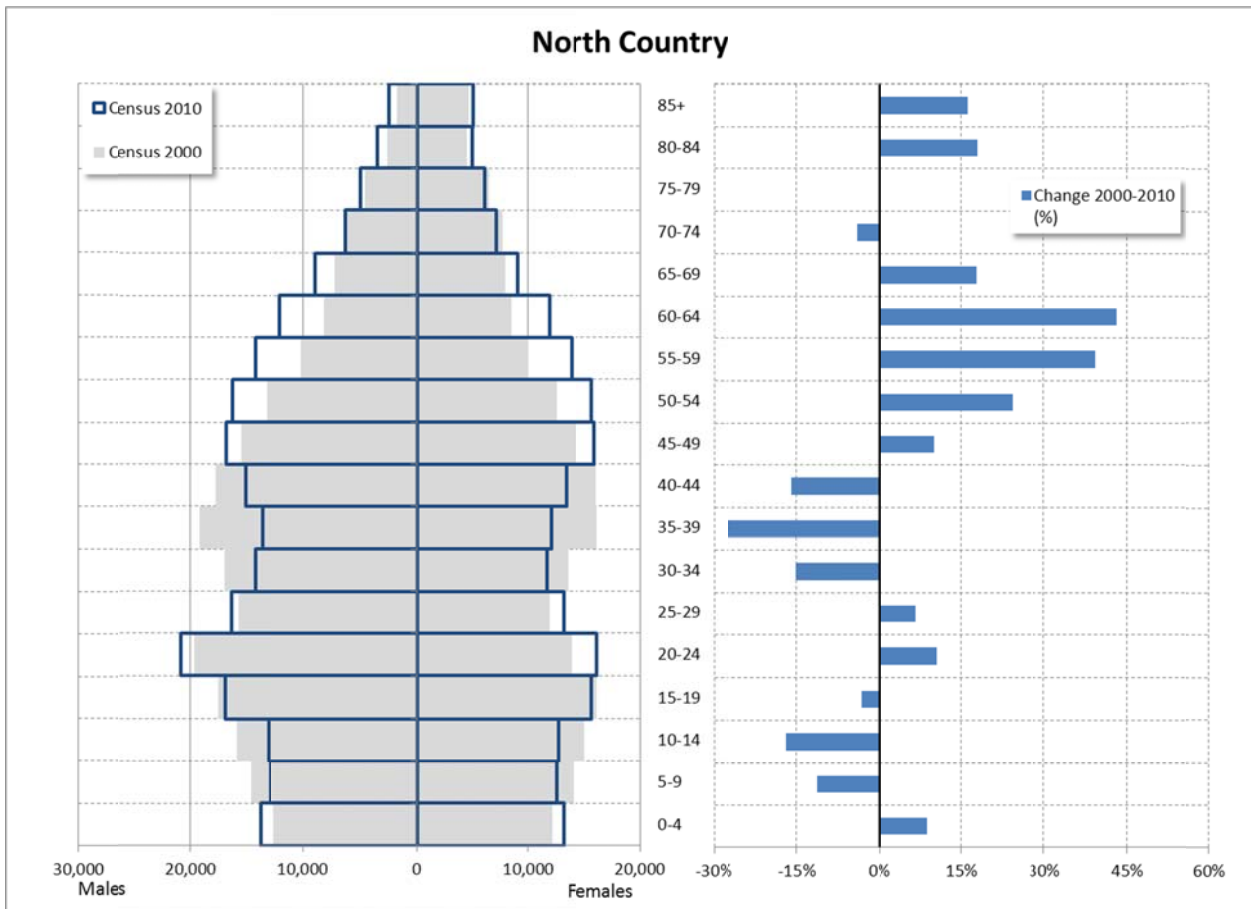
Table 8: Age and household statistics for New York City

	2000	2010	Difference
Total population			
Total	8,008,278	8,175,133	2.1%
Under 18	1,940,269	1,768,111	-8.9%
65 and over	937,857	993,158	5.9%
85 and over	121,703	141,406	16.2%
Share of total population			
Under 18	24.2%	21.6%	-2.6 pp
65 and over	11.7%	12.1%	0.4 pp
85 and over	1.5%	1.7%	0.2 pp
Median age			
Total	34.2	35.5	1.3
Male	32.8	34.1	1.3
Female	35.6	36.9	1.3
Age dependency (per hundred 18-64 year old)			
Young age (under 18)	37.8	32.7	-5.2
Old age (65 and over)	18.3	18.3	0.1
Households			
Total households	3,021,588	3,109,784	2.9%
Households with individuals under 18	1,026,091	959,122	-6.5%
Households with individuals 65 and over	712,581	763,496	7.1%
Share of total households			
Households with individuals under 18	34.0%	30.8%	-3.1 pp
Households with individuals 65 and over	23.6%	24.6%	1.0 pp
65 and over living alone			
65 and over male householder living alone	78,772	89,352	13.4%
Share of all male 65 and over	21.9%	22.6%	0.7 pp
65 and over female householder living alone	221,148	221,332	0.1%
Share of all female 65 and over	38.3%	37.0%	-1.3 pp
Average household size	2.59	2.57	-0.02
Average family size	3.32	3.32	0.00

North Country



Chart 22: age composition and change by 5-year age group in the North Country



- The median age in the North Country is less than the state average. This is probably due to the military population and population in correctional facilities.
- These special populations also cause a larger male than female population visible in the age pyramid.



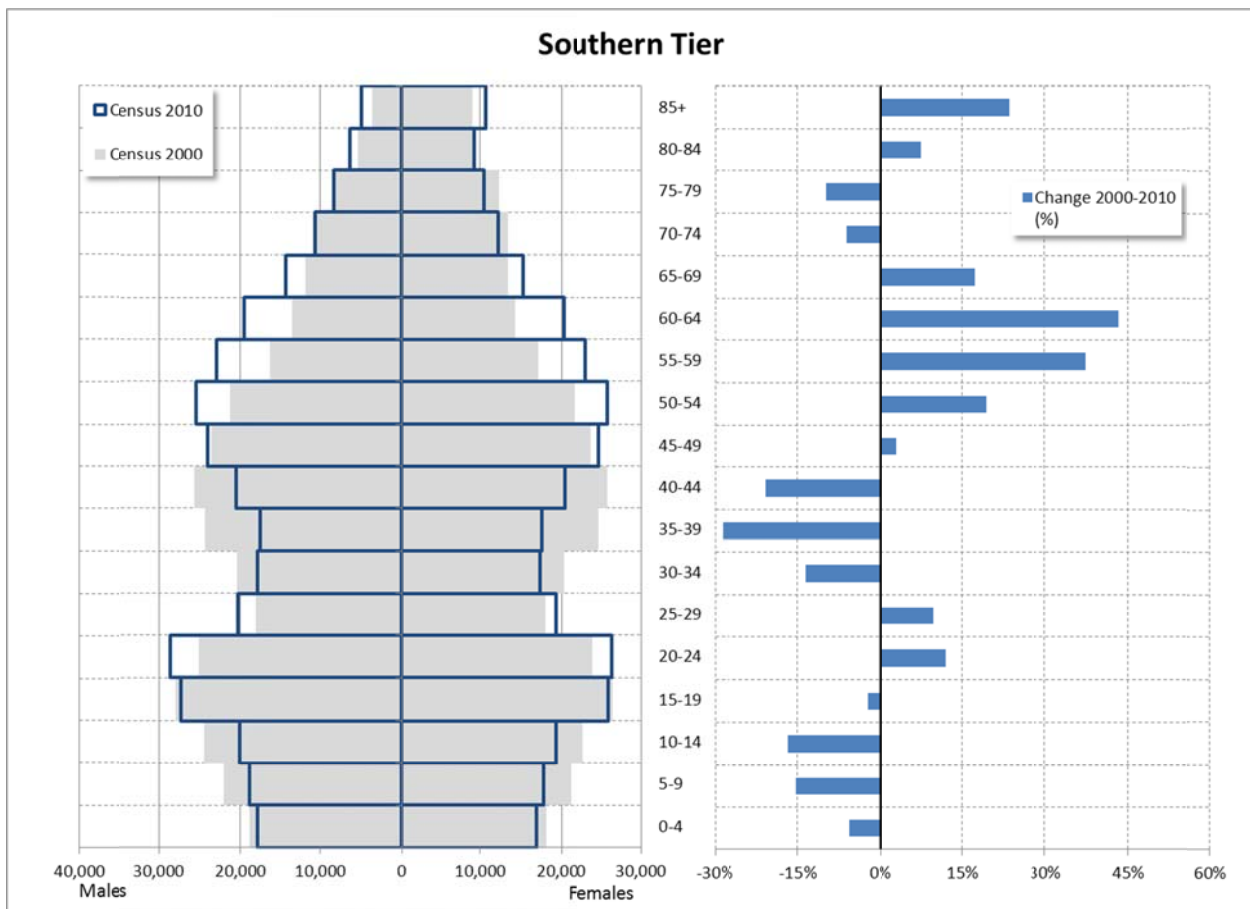
Table 9: Age and household statistics for the North Country

	2000	2010	Difference
Total population			
Total	425,871	433,193	1.7%
Under 18	103,199	95,132	-7.8%
65 and over	54,220	58,715	8.3%
85 and over	6,587	7,648	16.1%
Share of total population			
Under 18	24.2%	22.0%	-2.3 pp
65 and over	12.7%	13.6%	0.8 pp
85 and over	1.5%	1.8%	0.2 pp
Median age			
Total	35.4	37.6	2.2
Male	34.0	36.1	2.1
Female	37.0	39.3	2.3
Age dependency (per hundred 18-64 year old)			
Young age (under 18)	38.4	34.1	-4.4
Old age (65 and over)	20.2	21.0	0.8
Households			
Total households	155,358	164,730	6.0%
Households with individuals under 18	55,078	51,117	-7.2%
Households with individuals 65 and over	38,353	42,088	9.7%
Share of total households			
Households with individuals under 18	35.5%	31.0%	-4.4 pp
Households with individuals 65 and over	24.7%	25.5%	0.9 pp
65 and over living alone			
65 and over male householder living alone	4,168	5,293	27.0%
Share of all male 65 and over	18.6%	20.3%	1.8 pp
65 and over female householder living alone	12,831	12,324	-4.0%
Share of all female 65 and over	40.4%	37.7%	-2.7 pp
Average household size	2.50	2.43	-0.08
Average family size	3.01	2.94	-0.07



Southern Tier

Chart 23: age composition and change by 5-year age group in the Southern Tier



- The presence of a number of colleges and universities in the Southern Tier can be seen in the relative large size of the populations age 15-19 and 20-24.
- The share of the population under 18 (20.8%) however is the smallest among the regions.
- Related to that is the lowest share of households with individuals under 18 and the smallest average family size.



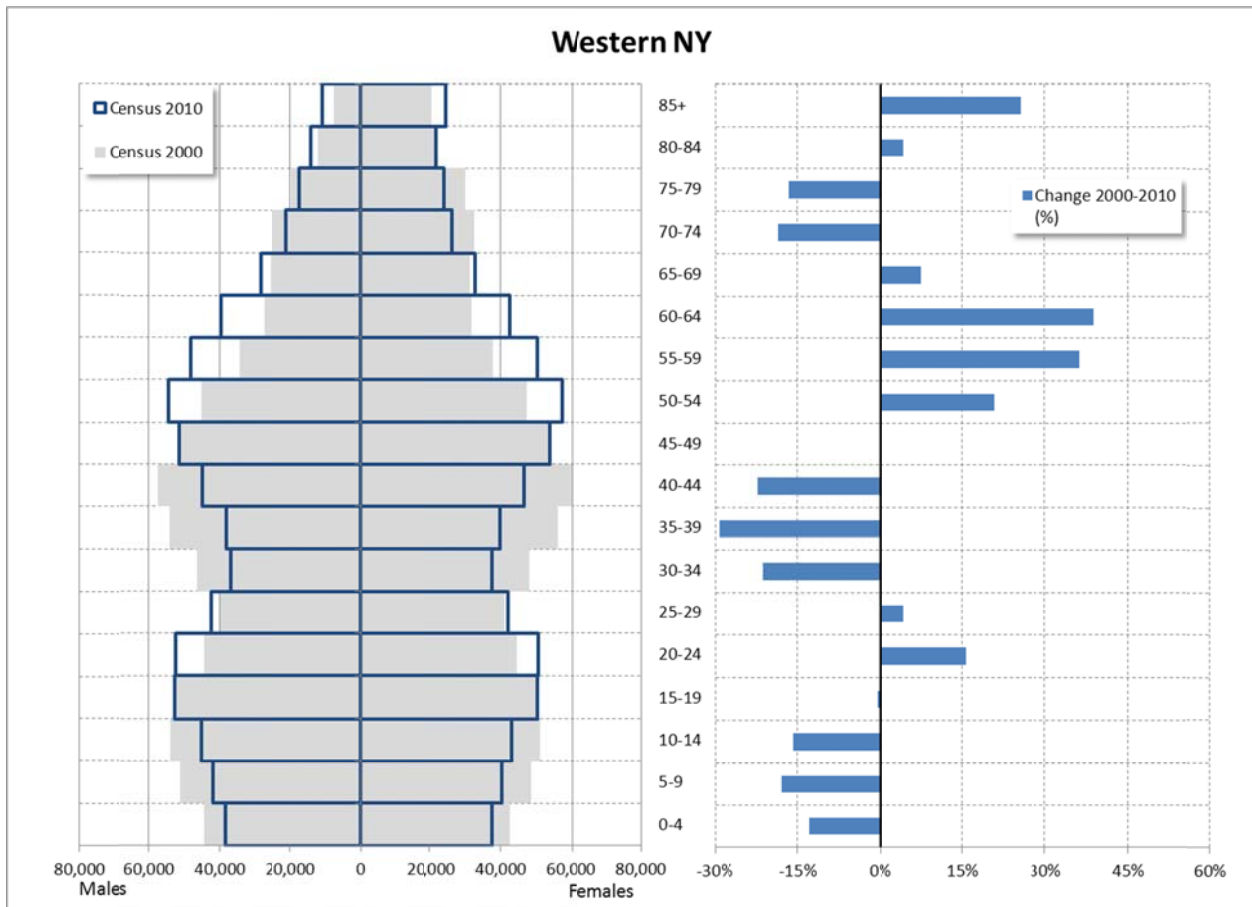
Table 10: Age and household statistics for the Southern Tier

	2000	2010	Difference
Total population			
Total	657,297	657,909	0.1%
Under 18	155,725	137,047	-12.0%
65 and over	97,463	102,306	5.0%
85 and over	12,641	15,607	23.5%
Share of total population			
Under 18	23.7%	20.8%	-2.9 pp
65 and over	14.8%	15.6%	0.7 pp
85 and over	1.9%	2.4%	0.4 pp
Median age			
Total	37.1	40.0	2.9
Male	35.8	38.4	2.6
Female	38.4	41.4	3.0
Age dependency (per hundred 18-64 year old)			
Young age (under 18)	38.5	32.7	-5.8
Old age (65 and over)	24.1	24.4	0.3
Households			
Total households	257,584	265,154	2.9%
Households with individuals under 18	82,616	74,073	-10.3%
Households with individuals 65 and over	67,482	72,708	7.7%
Share of total households			
Households with individuals under 18	32.1%	27.9%	-4.1 pp
Households with individuals 65 and over	26.2%	27.4%	1.2 pp
65 and over living alone			
65 and over male householder living alone	7,226	8,974	24.2%
Share of all male 65 and over	18.0%	20.2%	2.2 pp
65 and over female householder living alone	22,196	21,838	-1.6%
Share of all female 65 and over	38.8%	37.8%	-1.0 pp
Average household size	2.43	2.35	-0.07
Average family size	2.98	2.91	-0.07

Western New York



Chart 24: age composition and change by 5-year age group in Western New York



- The number of individuals age 65 and over decreased with 2.6%, but the size of total population decreased even more. The share of the 65 and over population increased slightly to 15.8% and is second largest among the regions.
- The median age of 2.8 is also second after the Mohawk Valley.
- 33% of all people age 65 and over in Western New York live alone, that is the highest percentage.
- The average household size decreased from 2.43 to 2.34 and is the lowest in the state.



Table 11: Age and household statistics for Western New York

	2000	2010	Difference
Total population			
Total	1,443,743	1,399,677	-3.1%
Under 18	353,175	304,257	-13.9%
65 and over	226,791	220,995	-2.6%
85 and over	28,088	35,269	25.6%
Share of total population			
Under 18	24.5%	21.7%	-2.7 pp
65 and over	15.7%	15.8%	0.1 pp
85 and over	1.9%	2.5%	0.6 pp
Median age			
Total	37.8	40.6	2.8
Male	36.3	38.8	2.6
Female	39.3	42.1	2.8
Age dependency (per hundred 18-64 year old)			
Young age (under 18)	40.9	34.8	-6.1
Old age (65 and over)	26.3	25.3	-1.0
Households			
Total households	573,266	578,435	0.9%
Households with individuals under 18	185,913	163,197	-12.2%
Households with individuals 65 and over	159,289	160,424	0.7%
Share of total households			
Households with individuals under 18	32.4%	28.2%	-4.2 pp
Households with individuals 65 and over	27.8%	27.7%	-0.1 pp
65 and over living alone			
65 and over male householder living alone	17,273	20,753	20.1%
Share of all male 65 and over	19.1%	22.6%	3.5 pp
65 and over female householder living alone	53,605	52,274	-2.5%
Share of all female 65 and over	39.3%	40.4%	1.1 pp
Average household size	2.43	2.34	-0.09
Average family size	3.04	2.97	-0.06

Appendix A: Maps

Map of the New York State economic regions



Map 1: New York State Economic Regions as defined by New York State Department of Economic Development



Resources on the web

Cornell Program on Applied Demographics

<http://pad.human.cornell.edu/>

American Factfinder

<http://factfinder2.census.gov/>

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