

## Elyria City Sociodemographic Profile

### Demographic Characteristics

◆ Population by Sex and Age

SEX		
<b>Total population</b>	<b>53,398</b>	<b>53,398</b>
Male	25,332	47.4%
Female	28,066	52.6%
AGE		
Under 5 years	2,920	5.5%
5 to 9 years	3,559	6.7%
10 to 14 years	4,126	7.7%
15 to 19 years	3,577	6.7%
20 to 24 years	3,771	7.1%
25 to 34 years	7,244	13.6%
35 to 44 years	7,409	13.9%
45 to 54 years	7,763	14.5%
55 to 59 years	3,191	6.0%
60 to 64 years	2,471	4.6%
65 to 74 years	4,064	7.6%
75 to 84 years	2,209	4.1%
85 years and over	1,094	2.0%
Median age (years)	37.3	(X)

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2006-08 American Community Survey 3-Year Estimates

	1990		2000		2006-2008	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Under 20	17,272	31.8%	16,243	29.0%	14,182	26.6%
20-24	4,222	6.1%	3,622	6.5%	3,771	7.1%
25-44	18,666	32.9%	16,924	30.2%	14,653	27.4%
45-64	9,867	17.4%	11,915	21.3%	13,425	25.1%
65 or older	6,719	11.8%	7,249	13.0%	7,367	13.8%
<b>Total</b>	<b>56,746</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>55,953</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>53,398</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
Median Age	34.2 (Mean Age)		34.8		37.3	

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 1990 & 2000 Census, 2006-08 American Community Survey 3-Year Estimates

#### Key Findings:

- *Decline in Total Population:* The total population of Elyria City had gradually decreased for the last few decades, from 57,538 in 1980 to from 53,398 in 2008.

- *Population Aging* - The percentage of Elyria City's young adults ages between 25 and 44 had decreased from 33 percent in 1990 to 27 percent in 2008. In contrast, there was a population growth in the older age groups during the same period, for example, an increase from 17 percent to 25 percent in the 45-64 age category and an increase from 12 percent to 14 percent in the elderly (65 or older) population. The median age for Elyria City residents had also increase from 34.2 years in 1990 to 37.3 years in 2008.

◆ Population by Race and Ethnicity

<b>RACE</b>		
<b>Total population</b>	<b>53,398</b>	<b>53,398</b>
One race	51,939	97.3%
Two or more races	1,459	2.7%
One race	51,939	97.3%
White	43,351	81.2%
Black or African American	7,576	14.2%
American Indian and Alaska Native	147	0.3%
Asian	407	0.8%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	0	0.0%
Some other race	458	0.9%
Two or more races	1,459	2.7%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2006-08 American Community Survey 3-Year Estimates

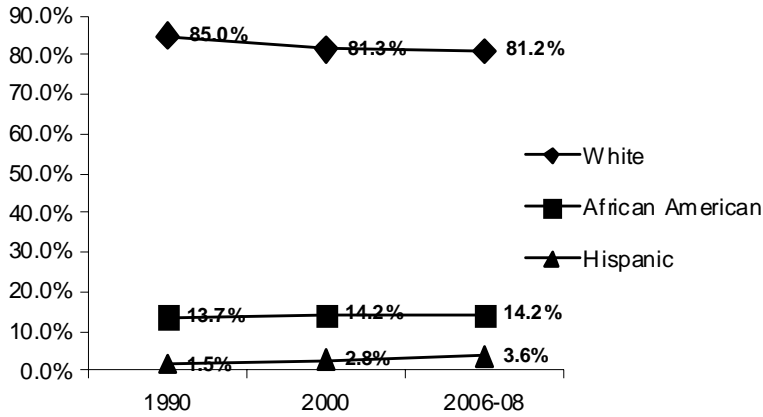
<b>HISPANIC OR LATINO</b>		
<b>Total population</b>	<b>53,398</b>	<b>53,398</b>
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	1,939	3.6%
Not Hispanic or Latino	51,459	96.4%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2006-08 American Community Survey 3-Year Estimates

	1990		2000		2006-2008	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
White	48,219	85.0%	45,517	81.3%	43,351	81.2%
African American	7,763	13.7%	7,928	14.2%	7,576	14.2%
American Indian	139	0.2%	150	0.3%	147	0.3%
Asian or Pacific Islander	303	0.5%	351	0.6%	407	0.8%
Other Race	322	0.6%	532	1.0%	458	0.9%
Two or More Races	NA	NA	1,475	2.6%	1,459	2.7%
Hispanic Origin (Of any race)	855	1.5%	1,553	2.8%	1,939	3.6%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 1990 & 2000 Census, 2006-08 American Community Survey 3-Year Estimates

Population by Race and Ethnicity, Historical Data 1990-2008



*Key Findings:*

- Decline in the White Population
- Growth in the Hispanic Population

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 1990 & 2000 Census, 2006-08 American Community Survey 3-Year Estimates

**Social Characteristics**

◆ Households by Type

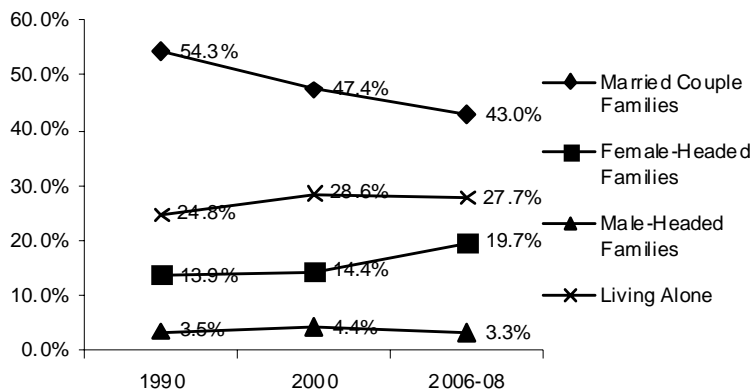
HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE		
<b>Total households</b>	<b>21,074</b>	<b>21,074</b>
Family households (families)	13,903	66.0%
With own children under 18 years	6,252	29.7%
Married-couple family	9,069	43.0%
With own children under 18 years	3,097	14.7%
Male householder, no wife present, family	691	3.3%
With own children under 18 years	447	2.1%
Female householder, no husband present, family	4,143	19.7%
With own children under 18 years	2,708	12.8%
Nonfamily households	7,171	34.0%
Householder living alone	5,829	27.7%
65 years and over	2,209	10.5%
Households with one or more people under 18 years	7,022	33.3%
Households with one or more people 65 years and over	5,338	25.3%
Average household size	2.51	(X)
Average family size	3.01	(X)

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2006-08 American Community Survey 3-Year Estimates

	1990		2000		2006-2008	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
<b>Total Households</b>	<b>21,423</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>22,462</b>	<b>100.0%</b>	<b>21,074</b>	<b>100.0%</b>
<i>Family Households (Families)</i>	15,344	71.6	14,876	66.2	13,903	66.0%
Married Couple Families	11,626	54.3	10,658	47.4	9,069	43.0%
Female-Headed Householder	2,974	13.9	3,240	14.4	4,143	19.7%
Male-Headed Householder	744	3.5	978	4.4	691	3.3%
<i>Non-Family Households</i>	6,079	28.4	7,586	33.8	7,171	34.0%
Living Alone	5,307	24.8	6,413	28.6	5,829	27.7%
65+ living alone	2,059	9.6	2,355	10.5	2,209	10.5%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 1990 & 2000 Census, 2006-08 American Community Survey 3-Year Estimates

### Changes in Household Structure, 1990-2008



#### Key Findings:

- Decline in Married Couple Families
- Increase in Female-Headed Households

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 1990 & 2000 Census, 2006-08 American Community Survey 3-Year Estimates

#### ◆ Grandparents as Primary Caregiver

GRANDPARENTS				
	2000		2006-2008	
<b>Number of grandparents living with own grandchildren under 18 years</b>	<b>1,362</b>	<b>1,362</b>	<b>1,245</b>	<b>1,245</b>
Responsible for grandchildren	714	52.4%	530	42.6%
<b>Number of grandparents responsible for own grandchildren under 18 years</b>	<b>714</b>	<b>714</b>	<b>530</b>	<b>530</b>
Who are female	NA	NA	337	63.6%
Who are married	NA	NA	429	80.9%

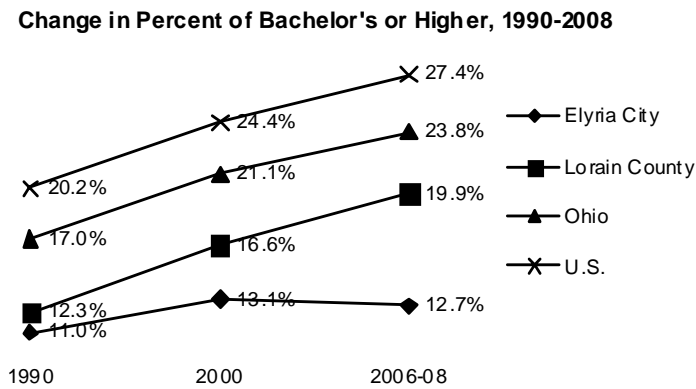
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2000 Census, 2006-08 American Community Survey 3-Year Estimates

◆ Adult Educational Attainment

Elyria City	1990		2000		2006-2008	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
No High School Diploma	8,738	24.8%	6,554	18.2%	5,123	14.4%
High School Graduate (Includes Equivalency)	13,139	37.2%	13,665	37.9%	14,478	40.8%
Some College, No Degree	6,948	19.7%	8,349	23.1%	8,454	23.9%
Associate Degree	2,593	7.3%	2,791	7.7%	2,884	8.1%
Bachelor's Degree	2,484	7.0%	3,223	8.9%	2,956	8.3%
Graduate or Professional Degree	1,399	4.0%	1,515	4.2%	1,550	4.4%
Percent High School Graduate or Higher	75.2%		81.8%		85.5%	
Percent Bachelor's Degree or Higher	11.0%		13.1%		12.7%	

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 1990 & 2000 Census, 2006-08 American Community Survey 3-Year Estimates

In general, a higher level of educational attainment has been reported among adult (25 years or older) individuals in Elyria City since 1990. The percent of Elyria City residents who did not have a high school diploma had decreased from 25 percent in 1990 to 14 percent in 2008. In contrast, the percent of people with a bachelor's degree or higher had increased from 11 percent to 13 percent during the period.



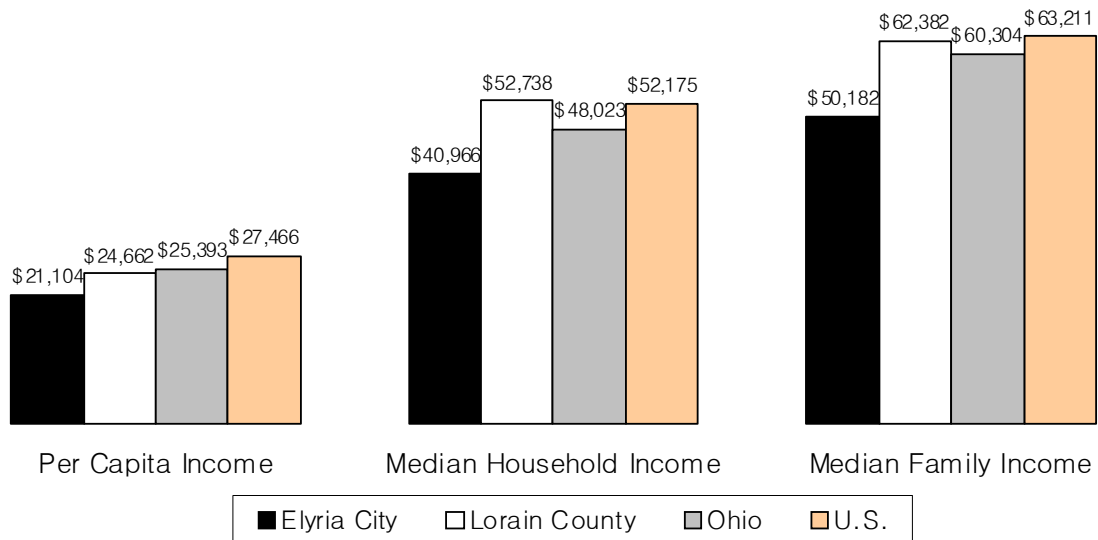
Although Elyria Township had experienced improved adult educational achievement over the last couple of decades, the percentage of Elyria Township residents with a bachelor's degree or higher was still significantly below the county, state, and national average.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 1990 & 2000 Census, 2006-08 American Community Survey 3-Year Estimates

## Economic Characteristics

### ◆ Income

#### Per Capita Income, Median Household Income, Median Family Income



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2006-08 American Community Survey 3-Year Estimates

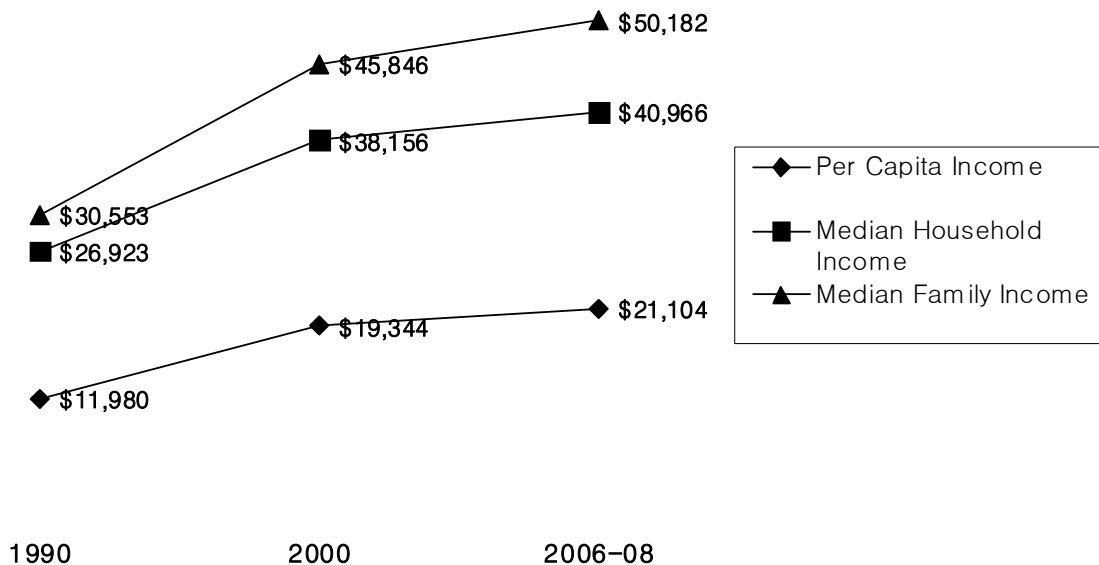
In all three income measures (per capita income, median household income, and median family income), the income reported by Elyria City residents was significantly lower than the county, state and national average. More detailed income statistics from the 2006-08 American Community Survey (ACS) for Elyria City are shown in the table below.

<b>INCOME (IN 2008 INFLATION-ADJUSTED DOLLARS)</b>		
<b>Total households</b>	<b>21,074</b>	<b>21,074</b>
Less than \$10,000	1,631	7.7%
\$10,000 to \$14,999	1,611	7.6%
\$15,000 to \$24,999	2,724	12.9%
\$25,000 to \$34,999	3,096	14.7%
\$35,000 to \$49,999	3,062	14.5%
\$50,000 to \$74,999	4,589	21.8%
\$75,000 to \$99,999	2,189	10.4%
\$100,000 to \$149,999	1,800	8.5%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	240	1.1%
\$200,000 or more	132	0.6%
Median household income (dollars)	40,966	(X)
Mean household income (dollars)	50,900	(X)

<b>Families</b>	<b>13,903</b>	<b>13,903</b>
Less than \$10,000	1,051	7.6%
\$10,000 to \$14,999	690	5.0%
\$15,000 to \$24,999	1,231	8.9%
\$25,000 to \$34,999	1,682	12.1%
\$35,000 to \$49,999	2,271	16.3%
\$50,000 to \$74,999	3,367	24.2%
\$75,000 to \$99,999	1,750	12.6%
\$100,000 to \$149,999	1,540	11.1%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	189	1.4%
\$200,000 or more	132	0.9%
Median family income (dollars)	50,182	(X)
Mean family income (dollars)	57,956	(X)
Per capita income (dollars)	21,104	(X)

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2006-08 American Community Survey 3-Year Estimates

### Changes in Income, Elyria City



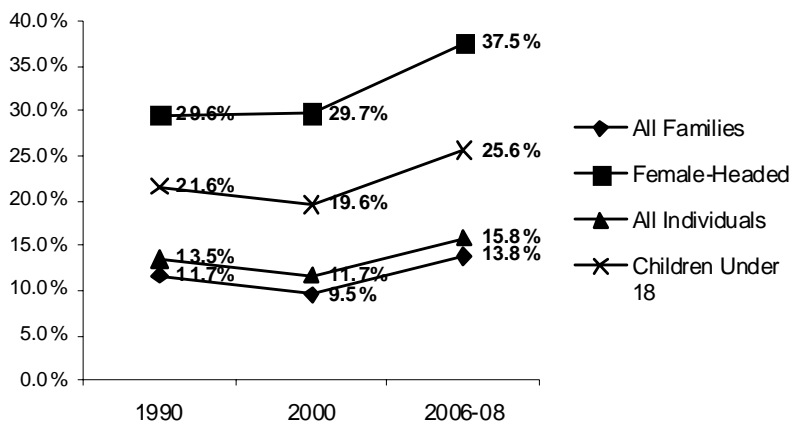
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Elyria City residents' income had gradually increased for the last couple of decades. However, the income growth observed during the 2006-08 period was not as much as the growth between 1990 and 2006-08.

◆ Poverty

Below Poverty	1990		2000		2006-2008	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
All Families	1,813	11.7%	1,414	9.5%	NA	13.8%
Female-Headed	881	29.6%	961	29.7%	NA	37.5%
All Individuals	7,661	13.5%	6,393	11.7%	NA	15.8%
Related Children under 18 years	3,325	21.6%	2,821	19.6%	NA	25.6%
Persons 65 years and over	695	11.0%	525	7.5%	NA	12.8%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 1990 & 2000 Census, 2006-08 American Community Survey 3-Year Estimates



Among different types of families in Elyria City, female-headed households had constantly reported a high poverty rate over the past couple of decades (i.e., 30 percent in 2000 and 38 percent in 2008). Also, the poverty rate for the related children under 18 years had always

been above the rate for all individuals. The table below has more detailed poverty statistics from the 2006-08 American Community Survey (ACS) for Elyria City.

PERCENTAGE OF FAMILIES AND PEOPLE IN POVERTY	
All families	13.8%
With related children under 18 years	22.7%
With related children under 5 years only	33.9%
Married couple families	3.1%
With related children under 18 years	1.9%
With related children under 5 years only	8.8%
Families with female householder, no husband present	37.5%
With related children under 18 years	48.0%
With related children under 5 years only	54.2%
All people	15.8%
Under 18 years	26.3%
Related children under 18 years	25.6%
Related children under 5 years	35.4%
Related children 5 to 17 years	22.8%

18 years and over	12.5%
18 to 64 years	12.4%
65 years and over	12.8%
People in families	14.4%
Unrelated individuals 15 years and over	21.3%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2006-08 American Community Survey 3-Year Estimates

◆ Employment

<b>EMPLOYMENT STATUS</b>		
<b>Population 16 years and over</b>	<b>41,990</b>	<b>41,990</b>
In labor force	28,447	67.7%
Civilian labor force	28,412	67.7%
Employed	26,157	62.3%
Unemployed	2,255	5.4%
Armed Forces	35	0.1%
Not in labor force	13,543	32.3%
<b>COMMUTING TO WORK</b>		
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	20.9	(X)

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2006-08 American Community Survey 3-Year Estimates

*Key Findings:*

- About two-thirds (67.7 percent) of all Elyria City individuals 16 years and over were in labor force during the 2006-08 period.
- Among 28,412 people in *civilian* labor force, 26,157 individuals (92.2 percent) were employed.
- Elyria City residents spent an average of 20.9 minutes to get to work.

## Housing Characteristics

◆ Housing

<b>HOUSING OCCUPANCY</b>		
<b>Total housing units</b>	<b>24,130</b>	<b>24,130</b>
Occupied housing units	21,074	87.3%
Vacant housing units	3,056	12.7%
Homeowner vacancy rate	4.2	(X)
Rental vacancy rate	8.3	(X)
<b>MEDIAN HOUSING VALUE</b>		
<b>Owner-occupied units</b>	<b>13,472</b>	<b>13,472</b>
Median (dollars)	112,000	(X)
<b>HOUSING TENURE</b>		
<b>Occupied housing units</b>	<b>21,074</b>	<b>21,074</b>
Owner-occupied	13,472	63.9%
Renter-occupied	7,602	36.1%
<b>MEDIAN MONTHLY OWNER COSTS</b>		
<b>Housing units with a mortgage</b>	<b>9,408</b>	<b>9,408</b>
Median (dollars)	1,138	(X)
<b>Housing units without a mortgage</b>	<b>4,064</b>	<b>4,064</b>
Median (dollars)	419	(X)
<b>MEDIAN MONTHLY RENT</b>		
<b>Occupied units paying rent</b>	<b>7,198</b>	<b>7,198</b>
Median (dollars)	640	(X)

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2006-08 American Community Survey 3-Year Estimates

*Key Findings:*

- About thirteen percent of all housing units in Elyria City were vacant.
- Elyria City's median home value was \$112,000.
- Among a total of 13,472 homeowners in Elyria City, 9,408 homeowners *with* a mortgage spent \$1,138 per month, and 4,064 homeowners *without* a mortgage spent \$419 per month.
- The renters in Elyria City paid \$640 per month.