

# MERCED COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS



## DATA SUMMARY BOOK

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# **POPULATION**

**2002-2003 Data Summary  
Merced Countywide Comparison  
Population Estimates**

	<b>2002</b>	<b>2003</b>	<b>% Change</b>
<b>TOTAL POPULATION</b>	<b>219,600</b>	<b>225,100</b>	<b>2.5</b>
Atwater	24,100	26,000	7.9
Dos Palos	4,680	4,790	2.4
Gustine	5,000	5,125	2.5
Livingston	10,850	11,050	1.8
Los Banos	28,250	29,150	3.2
Merced	66,300	67,600	2.0
Unincorporated	80,400	81,400	1.2

*Source: Department of Finance, County Profiles*

## Merced Countywide Comparison Population Growth Projections

<b>CITIES</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2025</b>
Atwater	28,545	31,557	34,291	35,798	36,468	36,430
Dos Palos	6,061	6,600	7,135	7,612	8,141	8,636
Gustine	4,655	5,119	5,588	6,020	6,502	6,965
Livingston	10,725	12,524	14,519	16,612	19,053	21,675
Los Banos	24,106	29,645	36,194	43,613	52,681	63,116
Merced	70,544	81,263	92,014	100,706	108,505	115,346
<b>COMMUNITIES</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2025</b>
Delhi	7,178	8,903	10,964	13,326	13,500	13,500
Franklin/Beachwood	4,110	4,410	4,698	4,940	5,206	5,442
Hilmar	4,533	4,793	5,031	5,212	5,413	5,576
Le Grand	1,708	1,833	1,952	2,053	2,163	2,261
Planada	4,515	4,774	5,011	5,192	5,391	5,553
Santa Nella	1,308	1,868	2,648	3,705	5,197	7,230
Winton	8,243	8,716	9,149	9,479	9,844	10,139
UC Merced & Community	0	384	3,088	8,220	14,066	21,682
Remainder of Unincorporated	39,025	40,457	41,641	42,296	45,805	49,619
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2005</b>	<b>2010</b>	<b>2015</b>	<b>2020</b>	<b>2025</b>
Total Incorporated	144,636	166,708	189,741	210,361	231,350	252,168
Total Unincorporated	70,620	76,138	84,182	94,423	106,585	121,002
Total County	215,256	242,846	273,923	304,784	337,935	373,170

**Notes:**

1. The community forecast uses growth area boundaries from General Plans, referred to as the Specific Urban Development Plan (SUDP) boundaries. They are not by current city limits.
2. Dos Palos SUDP includes the entire unincorporated community of South Dos Palos / Midway.

Source: Merced County Association of Governments, [www.mcag.cog.ca.us](http://www.mcag.cog.ca.us)

## 2000 Census Summary Merced Countywide Comparison Ethnic Composition

<b>ETHNIC COMPOSITION</b>								
	<b>Number</b>							
	Total Population	White	Hispanic	Asian	Black	Amer Indian & Alaskan Native	Native Hawaiian & Other Pacific Islander	Two or More Races
Atwater	23,113	10,245	9,954	1,254	1,153	293	83	697
Dos Palos	4,581	1,821	2,099	28	190	63	0	45
Gustine	4,698	2,770	1,648	71	34	46	3	159
Livingston	10,473	1,065	7,521	1,513	77	97	8	250
Los Banos	25,869	10,290	13,048	606	1,100	350	85	713
Merced	63,893	24,121	26,425	7,267	4,044	818	133	1,732
Unincorporated								
County Total	210,554	85,585	95,466	14,321	8,064	2,510	396	6,062
	<b>Percent</b>							
	White	Hispanic	Asian	Black	Amer Indian & Alaskan Native	Native Hawaiian & Other Pacific Islander	Two or More Races	
Atwater	44.3%	41.5%	5.4%	5.0%	1.3%	0.4%	3.0%	
Dos Palos	39.8%	54.2%	0.6%	4.1%	1.4%	0	1.0%	
Gustine	59.0%	35.1%	1.5%	0.7%	1.0%	0.1%	3.4%	
Livingston	10.2%	71.8%	14.4%	0.7%	0.9%	0.1%	2.4%	
Los Banos	39.8%	50.4%	2.3%	4.3%	1.4%	0.3%	2.8%	
Merced	37.8%	41.4%	11.4%	6.3%	1.3%	0.2%	2.7%	
Unincorporated								
County Total	40.6%	45.3%	6.8%	3.8%	1.2%	0.2%	2.9%	

Source: 2000 Census, [www.census.gov](http://www.census.gov)

**2000 Census Summary  
City of Atwater  
Race**

	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>TOTAL POPULATION</b>	<b>23,113</b>	
<b>RACE</b>		
<b>One Race</b>	<b>21,694</b>	<b>93.9</b>
White	13,252	57.3
Black or African American	1,153	5.0
American Indian and Alaska Native	293	1.3
Asian	1,254	5.4
Asian Indian	173	0.7
Chinese	83	0.4
Filipino	197	0.9
Japanese	70	0.3
Korean	76	0.3
Vietnamese	38	0.2
Other Asian	617	2.7
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	83	0.4
Native Hawaiian	25	0.1
Guamanian or Chamorro	40	0.2
Samoan	5	-
Other Pacific Islander	13	0.1
Some other race	5,659	24.5
<b>Two or more races</b>	<b>1,419</b>	<b>6.1</b>
<b>HISPANIC OR LATINO AND RACE</b>		
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	9,594	41.5
Not Hispanic or Latino	13,519	58.5
White – not-Hispanic or Latino	10,245	44.3

*Table DP-1: Profile of General Demographic Characteristics*

**2000 Census Summary  
City of Dos Palos  
Race**

	Number	Percentage
<b>TOTAL POPULATION</b>	<b>4,581</b>	
<b>RACE</b>		
<b>One Race</b>	<b>4,421</b>	<b>96.5</b>
White	2,985	65.2
Black or African American	190	4.1
American Indian and Alaska Native	63	1.4
Asian	28	0.6
Asian Indian	12	0.3
Chinese	8	0.2
Filipino	6	0.1
Japanese	1	-
Korean	1	-
Vietnamese	-	-
Other Asian	-	-
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	-	-
Native Hawaiian	-	-
Guamanian or Chamorro	-	-
Samoan	-	-
Other Pacific Islander	-	-
Some other race	1,155	25.2
<b>Two or more races</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>3.5</b>
<b>HISPANIC OR LATINO AND RACE</b>		
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	2,482	54.2
Not Hispanic or Latino	2,099	45.8
White – not-Hispanic or Latino	1,821	39.8

*Table DP-1: Profile of General Demographic Characteristics*

**2000 Census Summary  
City of Gustine  
Race**

	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>TOTAL POPULATION</b>	<b>4,698</b>	
<b>RACE</b>		
<b>One Race</b>	<b>4,440</b>	<b>94.5</b>
White	3,395	72.3
Black or African American	34	0.7
American Indian and Alaska Native	46	1.0
Asian	71	1.5
Asian Indian	16	0.3
Chinese	11	0.2
Filipino	33	0.7
Japanese	4	0.1
Korean	1	-
Vietnamese	4	0.1
Other Asian	2	-
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	3	0.1
Native Hawaiian	1	-
Guamanian or Chamorro	-	-
Samoan	1	-
Other Pacific Islander	1	-
Some other race	891	19.0
<b>Two or more races</b>	<b>258</b>	<b>5.5</b>
<b>HISPANIC OR LATINO AND RACE</b>		
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	1,648	35.1
Not Hispanic or Latino	3,050	64.9
White – not-Hispanic or Latino	2,770	59.0

*Table DP-1: Profile of General Demographic Characteristics*

**2000 Census Summary  
City of Livingston  
Race**

	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>TOTAL POPULATION</b>	<b>10,473</b>	
<b>RACE</b>		
<b>One Race</b>	<b>9,870</b>	<b>94.2</b>
White	3,825	36.5
Black or African American	77	0.7
American Indian and Alaska Native	97	0.9
Asian	1,513	14.4
Asian Indian	1,221	11.7
Chinese	20	0.2
Filipino	117	1.1
Japanese	26	0.2
Korean	3	-
Vietnamese	14	0.1
Other Asian	112	1.1
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	8	0.1
Native Hawaiian	3	-
Guamanian or Chamorro	1	-
Samoan	1	-
Other Pacific Islander	3	-
Some other race	4,350	41.5
<b>Two or more races</b>	<b>603</b>	<b>5.8</b>
<b>HISPANIC OR LATINO AND RACE</b>		
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	7,521	71.8
Not Hispanic or Latino	2,952	28.2
White – not-Hispanic or Latino	1,065	10.2

*Table DP-1: Profile of General Demographic Characteristics*

**2000 Census Summary  
City of Los Banos  
Race**

	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>TOTAL POPULATION</b>	<b>25,869</b>	
<b>RACE</b>		
<b>One Race</b>	<b>24,262</b>	<b>93.8</b>
White	15,161	58.6
Black or African American	1,100	4.3
American Indian and Alaska Native	350	1.4
Asian	606	2.3
Asian Indian	99	0.4
Chinese	72	0.3
Filipino	319	1.2
Japanese	28	0.1
Korean	28	0.1
Vietnamese	28	0.1
Other Asian	32	0.1
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	85	0.3
Native Hawaiian	15	0.1
Guamanian or Chamorro	39	0.2
Samoan	15	0.1
Other Pacific Islander	16	0.1
Some other race	6,960	26.9
<b>Two or more races</b>	<b>1,607</b>	<b>6.2</b>
<b>HISPANIC OR LATINO AND RACE</b>		
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	13,048	50.4
Not Hispanic or Latino	12,821	49.6
White – not-Hispanic or Latino	10,290	39.8

*Table DP-1: Profile of General Demographic Characteristics*

**2000 Census Summary  
City of Merced  
Race**

	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>TOTAL POPULATION</b>	<b>63,893</b>	
<b>RACE</b>		
<b>One Race</b>	<b>60,556</b>	<b>94.8</b>
White	33,481	52.4
Black or African American	4,044	6.3
American Indian and Alaska Native	818	1.3
Asian	7,267	11.4
Asian Indian	284	0.4
Chinese	168	0.3
Filipino	383	0.6
Japanese	143	0.2
Korean	50	0.1
Vietnamese	75	0.1
Other Asian	6,164	9.6
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	133	0.2
Native Hawaiian	44	0.1
Guamanian or Chamorro	21	-
Samoan	18	-
Other Pacific Islander	50	0.1
Some other race	14,813	23.2
<b>Two or more races</b>	<b>3,337</b>	<b>5.2</b>
<b>HISPANIC OR LATINO AND RACE</b>		
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	26,425	41.4
Not Hispanic or Latino	37,468	58.6
White – not-Hispanic or Latino	24,121	37.8

*Table DP-1: Profile of General Demographic Characteristics*

## 2000 Census Summary Merced County Race

	Number	Percentage
<b>TOTAL POPULATION</b>	<b>210,554</b>	
<b>RACE</b>		
<b>One Race</b>	<b>198,654</b>	<b>94.3</b>
White	118,350	56.2
Black or African American	8,064	3.8
American Indian and Alaska Native	2,510	1.2
Asian	14,321	6.8
Asian Indian	2,546	1.2
Chinese	444	0.2
Filipino	1,443	0.7
Japanese	497	0.2
Korean	238	0.1
Vietnamese	231	0.1
Other Asian	8,922	4.2
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	396	0.2
Native Hawaiian	124	0.1
Guamanian or Chamorro	115	0.1
Samoan	50	-
Other Pacific Islander	107	0.1
Some other race	55,013	26.1
<b>Two or more races</b>	<b>11,900</b>	<b>5.7</b>
<b>HISPANIC OR LATINO AND RACE</b>		
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	95,466	45.3
Not Hispanic or Latino	115,088	54.7
White – not-Hispanic or Latino	85,585	40.6

*Table DP-1: Profile of General Demographic Characteristics*

**2000 Census Summary  
City of Atwater  
Sex and Age Characteristics**

	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>SEX</b>		
Male	11,236	48.6
Female	11,877	51.4
<b>AGE</b>		
Under 5 years	2,169	9.4
5 to 9 years	2,365	10.2
10 to 14 years	2,267	9.8
15 to 19 years	2,001	8.7
20 to 24 years	1,570	6.8
25 to 34 years	3,338	14.4
35 to 44 years	3,268	14.1
45 to 54 years	2,388	10.3
55 to 59 years	849	3.7
60 to 64 years	794	3.4
64 to 74 years	1,288	5.6
75 to 84 years	649	2.8
85 years and over	167	0.7
Median age (years)	28.5	
<b>SEX AND AGE</b>		
18 years and over	15,041	65.1
Male	7,142	30.9
Female	7,899	34.2
65 years and over	2,104	9.1
Male	914	4.0
Female	1,190	5.1

*Table DP-1: Profile of General Demographic Characteristics*

**2000 Census Summary  
City of Dos Palos  
Sex and Age Characteristics**

	Number	Percentage
<b>SEX</b>		
Male	2,261	49.4
Female	2,320	50.6
<b>AGE</b>		
Under 5 years	390	8.5
5 to 9 years	447	9.8
10 to 14 years	463	10.1
15 to 19 years	417	9.1
20 to 24 years	288	6.3
25 to 34 years	542	11.8
35 to 44 years	685	15.0
45 to 54 years	487	10.6
55 to 59 years	204	4.5
60 to 64 years	181	4.0
64 to 74 years	263	5.7
75 to 84 years	156	3.4
85 years and over	58	1.3
Median age (years)	30.3	
<b>SEX AND AGE</b>		
18 years and over	2,980	65.1
Male	1,431	31.2
Female	1,549	33.8
65 years and over	477	10.4
Male	208	4.5
Female	269	5.9

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**2000 Census Summary  
City of Gustine  
Sex and Age Characteristics**

	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>SEX</b>		
Male	2,287	48.7
Female	2,411	51.3
<b>AGE</b>		
Under 5 years	350	7.4
5 to 9 years	393	8.4
10 to 14 years	424	9.0
15 to 19 years	375	8.0
20 to 24 years	262	5.6
25 to 34 years	555	11.8
35 to 44 years	650	13.8
45 to 54 years	581	12.4
55 to 59 years	200	4.3
60 to 64 years	160	3.4
64 to 74 years	650	7.4
75 to 84 years	311	6.6
85 years and over	87	1.9
Median age (years)		
<b>SEX AND AGE</b>		
18 years and over	3,277	69.8
Male	1,541	32.8
Female	1,736	37.0
65 years and over	748	15.9
Male	314	6.7
Female	434	9.2

*Table DP-1: Profile of General Demographic Characteristics*

**2000 Census Summary  
City of Livingston  
Sex and Age Characteristics**

	Number	Percentage
<b>SEX</b>		
Male	5,263	50.3
Female	5,210	49.7
<b>AGE</b>		
Under 5 years	1,000	9.5
5 to 9 years	1,152	11.0
10 to 14 years	1,139	10.9
15 to 19 years	1,089	10.4
20 to 24 years	874	8.3
25 to 34 years	1,561	14.9
35 to 44 years	1,398	13.3
45 to 54 years	945	9.0
55 to 59 years	363	3.5
60 to 64 years	283	2.7
64 to 74 years	405	3.9
75 to 84 years	195	1.9
85 years and over	69	0.7
Median age (years)	24.9	
<b>SEX AND AGE</b>		
18 years and over	6526	62.3
Male	3252	31.1
Female	3274	31.3
65 years and over	669	6.4
Male	285	2.7
Female	384	3.7

*Table DP-1: Profile of General Demographic Characteristics*

**2000 Census Summary  
City of Los Banos  
Sex and Age Characteristics**

	Number	Percentage
<b>SEX</b>		
Male	12,871	49.8
Female	12,998	50.2
<b>AGE</b>		
Under 5 years	2,422	9.4
5 to 9 years	2,747	10.6
10 to 14 years	2,533	9.8
15 to 19 years	2,148	8.3
20 to 24 years	1,541	6.0
25 to 34 years	3,553	13.7
35 to 44 years	4,176	16.1
45 to 54 years	2,744	10.6
55 to 59 years	893	3.5
60 to 64 years	717	2.8
64 to 74 years	1,287	5.0
75 to 84 years	837	3.2
85 years and over	271	1.0
Median age (years)	29.7	
<b>SEX AND AGE</b>		
18 years and over	16,780	64.9
Male	8,220	31.8
Female	8,560	33.1
65 years and over	2,395	9.3
Male	1,033	4.0
Female	1,362	5.3

*Table DP-1: Profile of General Demographic Characteristics*

**2000 Census Summary  
City of Merced  
Sex and Age Characteristics**

	Number	Percentage
<b>SEX</b>		
Male	31,266	48.9
Female	32,667	51.1
<b>AGE</b>		
Under 5 years	5,860	9.2
5 to 9 years	6,487	10.2
10 to 14 years	6,187	9.7
15 to 19 years	5,917	9.3
20 to 24 years	4,967	7.8
25 to 34 years	8,845	13.8
35 to 44 years	8,682	13.6
45 to 54 years	6,908	10.8
55 to 59 years	2,241	3.5
60 to 64 years	1,778	2.8
64 to 74 years	3,106	4.9
75 to 84 years	2,117	3.3
85 years and over	798	1.2
Median age (years)	27.8	
<b>SEX AND AGE</b>		
18 years and over	41,732	65.3
Male	20,027	31.3
Female	21,705	34.0
65 years and over	6,021	9.4
Male	2,358	3.7
Female	3,663	5.7

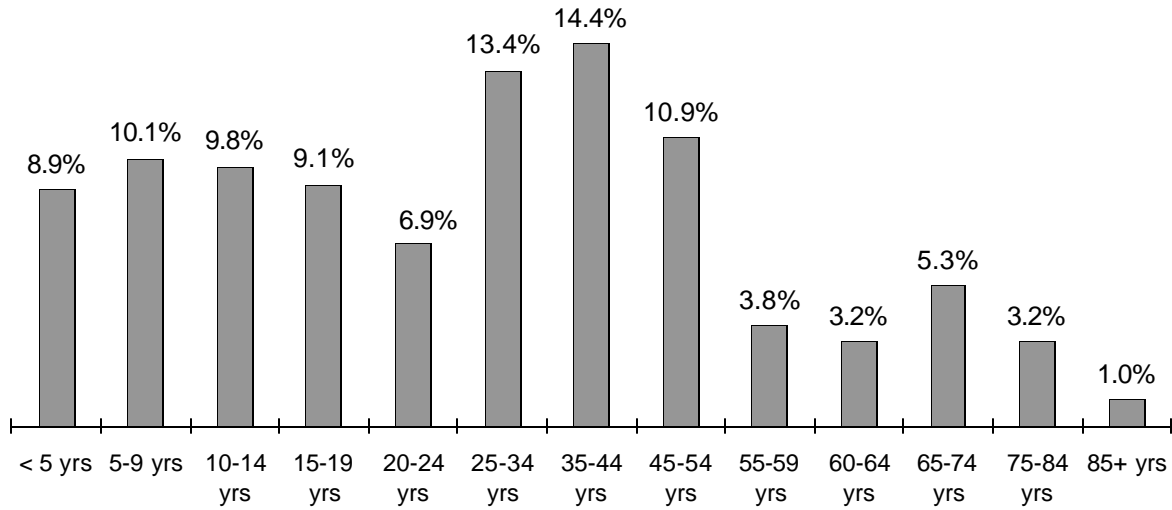
*Table DP-1: Profile of General Demographic Characteristics*

**2000 Census Summary  
Merced County  
Sex and Age Characteristics**

	Number	Percentage
<b>SEX</b>		
Male	104,931	49.8
Female	105,623	50.2
<b>AGE</b>		
Under 5 years	18,693	8.9
5 to 9 years	21,244	10.1
10 to 14	20,609	9.8
15 to 19	19,216	9.1
20 to 24	14,572	6.9
25 to 34	28,311	13.4
35 to 44	30,345	14.4
45 to 54	22,903	10.9
55 to 59	8,010	3.8
60 to 64	6,647	3.2
64 to 74	11,119	5.3
75 to 84	6,786	3.2
85 years and over	2,099	1.0
Median age (years)	29.0	
<b>SEX AND AGE</b>		
18 years and over	137,870	65.5
Male	67,760	32.2
Female	70,110	33.3
65 years and over	20,004	9.5
Male	8,597	4.1
Female	11,407	5.4

*Table DP-1: Profile of General Demographic Characteristics*

# 2000 Census Summary Merced County Age Characteristics Diagram



# **EDUCATION**

**98/99 School Year Data Summary**  
**Merced County School District Comparison**  
**California Work Opportunity and Responsibility to Kids**  
**(CalWorks) Students**

	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>
<b>CALWORKS STUDENT ENROLLMENT</b>		
<b>District</b>		
Atwater Elementary	1,014	22.2
Ballico-Cressey Elementary	21	7.2
Delhi Unified	223	11.5
Dos Palos Oro Loma Joint Unified	576	22.5
El Nido Elementary	41	22.3
Gustine Unified	184	10.7
Hilmar Unified	200	8.4
Le Grand Union Elementary	83	18.6
Le Grand Union High	108	20.1
Livingston Union Elementary	396	16.8
Los Banos Unified	715	11.3
McSwain Union Elementary	74	10.2
Merced City Elementary	4,653	40.6
Merced River Union Elementary	41	18.1
Merced Union High	2,278	24.9
Plainsburg Union Elementary	34	32.4
Planada Elementary	162	16.7
Snelling-Merced Falls Union Elementary	29	31.2
Weaver Union Elementary	429	32.1
Winton Elementary	478	28.8
<b>Statewide</b>		<b>16.1</b>

*Source: California Department of Education, Education Data Partnership  
<http://www.ed-data.k12.ca.us/dev/School.asp>*

**1997 Data Summary**  
**Merced County Comparison**  
**Children Receiving**  
**WOMEN-INFANTS-CHILDREN (WIC) Assistance**

	Number of Participants	Percent of All Eligible
<b>CHILDREN AGES 0-4</b>		
Merced County	9,529	71.2%
CA	942,858	68.4%

*Source: California County Data Book '99, Children Now, <http://www.childrennow.org/publications.html>*

**98/99 School Year Data Summary**  
**Merced County School District Comparison**  
**High School Dropout Rates**

<b>ONE YEAR DROP OUT RATE*</b>								
	<b>Dropouts by Ethnicity</b>							
	Am. Indian	Asian	Pacific Islander	Filipino	Hispanic	African Am.	White	Total
District								
Delhi Unified	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dos Palos Oro Loma Joint Unified	0	0	0	0	0.4	0	0.8	0.5
Gustine Unified	0	0	0	0	5.4	25.0	1.9	3.5
Hilmar Unified	0	0	0	0	4.0	0	2.5	2.7
Le Grand Union High	0	0	0	0	0.2	8.3	0	1.1
Los Banos Unified	0	0	0	0	2.2	1.2	0.6	1.5
Merced Union High	0	1.7	0	4.6	2.6	3.8	1.7	2.2
<b>Statewide</b>	<b>4.0</b>	<b>1.5</b>	<b>3.3</b>	<b>2.2</b>	<b>3.9</b>	<b>4.7</b>	<b>1.7</b>	<b>2.8</b>

*Source: California Department of Education, Education Data Partnership  
<http://www.ed-data.k12.ca.us/dev/School.asp>*

\*The One-year Dropout Rate is calculated by dividing the total number of dropouts in each grade, 9 through 12, by the total high school enrollment. The result is expressed as a percentage.

**98/99 School Year Data Summary**  
**Merced County School District Comparison**  
**Free/Reduced Price Meals**

	Number	Percent
<b>FREE/REDUCED PRICE MEALS</b>		
<b>District</b>		
Atwater Elementary	3,300	72.3
Ballico-Cressey Elementary	192	66.2
Delhi Unified	1,464	75.5
Dos Palos Oro Loma Joint Unified	1,783	69.6
El Nido Elementary	158	85.9
Gustine Unified	980	57.1
Hilmar Unified	879	36.7
Le Grand Union Elementary	383	85.9
Le Grand Union High	431	80.3
Livingston Union Elementary	2,136	90.6
Los Banos Unified	3,030	48.1
McSwain Union Elementary	234	32.2
Merced City Elementary	8,836	77.0
Merced River Union Elementary	134	59.0
Merced Union High	7,148	78.2
Plainsburg Union Elementary	52	49.5
Planada Elementary	874	90.0
Snelling-Merced Falls Union Elementary	66	71.0
Weaver Union Elementary	984	73.6
Weaver Union Elementary	984	73.6
Winton Elementary	1,404	84.7
<b>Statewide</b>		<b>47.6</b>

*Source: California Department of Education, Education Data Partnership*  
<http://www.ed-data.k12.ca.us/dev/School.asp>

## 98/99 School Year Data Summary

### Merced County School District Comparison

#### Enrollment Trends by Ethnicity

SCHOOL ENROLLMENT								
Percent Total Enrollment								
	Am. Indian	Asian	Pacific Islander	Filipino	Hispanic	African Am.	White	Multiple/ No Response
District								
Atwater Elementary	0.5	8.5	0.5	0.5	44.9	5.7	39.2	0.2
Ballico-Cressey Elementary	0	2.5	0	0	54.7	0.4	42.5	0
Delhi Unified	0.4	1.9	0.4	0.2	65.1	1.0	31.0	0
Dos Palos Oro Loma Joint Unified	0.2	0.1	0.4	0	63.4	5.2	30.7	0
El Nido Elementary	0	0	0	0	66.3	0.5	33.2	0
Gustine Unified	0	0.5	0.1	0	50.7	1.0	47.5	0.1
Hilmar Unified	0	1.6	0	0.2	16.9	0.5	80.7	0
Le Grand Union Elementary	0.2	0.7	0.2	0	80.9	0.7	17.3	0
Le Grand Union High	0.2	0.2	0.4	0	87.5	2.2	9.5	0
Livingston Union Elementary	0.1	12.0	0.0	1.5	76.1	0.8	9.4	0
Los Banos Unified	0.2	1.2	0.2	0.7	52.9	5.0	38.6	1.2
McSwain Union Elementary	1.0	5.0	0.6	0.3	20.8	2.5	70.0	0
Merced City Elementary	0.2	23.8	0.2	0.3	42.3	7.5	25.7	0
Merced River Union Elementary	0	4.0	0	0	30.4	32.6	33.0	0
Merced Union High	0.7	16.5	0	0.7	41.5	4.9	35.7	0
Plainsburg Union Elementary	0	1.0	0	0	35.6	0	63.5	0
Planada Elementary	0	0.1	0	0	95.9	0.6	3.4	0
Snelling-Merced Falls Union Elementary	1.1	0	0	0	31.2	1.1	66.7	0
Weaver Union Elementary	0	18.1	0.1	0.2	40.7	7.5	33.5	0
Winton Elementary	0.4	9.8	0.2	0.6	67.2	4.9	16.8	0.2
<b>Statewide</b>	<b>0.9</b>	<b>8.1</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>2.4</b>	<b>41.3</b>	<b>8.7</b>	<b>37.8</b>	<b>0.3</b>

Source: California Department of Education, Education Data Partnership  
<http://www.ed-data.k12.ca.us/dev/School.asp>

**98/99 School Year Data Summary**  
**Merced County School District Comparison**  
**Student Limited English Proficiency**

	Number	Percent
<b>ENGLISH LEARNER STUDENTS</b>		
<b>District</b>		
Atwater Elementary	1,606	36.0
Ballico-Cressey Elementary	135	47.4
Delhi Unified	816	42.1
Dos Palos Oro Loma Joint Unified	1,076	41.4
El Nido Elementary	83	45.1
Gustine Unified	525	34.4
Hilmar Unified	566	23.6
Le Grand Union Elementary	236	52.9
Le Grand Union High	71	13.2
Livingston Union Elementary	1,807	76.7
Los Banos Unified	1,363	21.4
McSwain Union Elementary	95	13.1
Merced City Elementary	4,450	38.8
Merced River Union Elementary	36	15.9
Merced Union High	1,436	15.7
Plainsburg Union Elementary	14	13.5
Planada Elementary	665	68.5
Snelling-Merced Falls Union Elementary	19	20.4
Weaver Union Elementary	455	34.7
Winton Elementary	930	56.1
<b>Statewide</b>		<b>24.7</b>

*Source: California Department of Education, Education Data Partnership  
<http://www.ed-data.k12.ca.us/dev/School.asp>*

## 2000 Data Summary

### Merced County School District Comparison

#### Test Score Comparisons

District	At or Above 50 <sup>th</sup> Percentile								
	Reading			Language			Math		
	4th	7th	10th	4th	7th	10th	4th	7th	10th
Atwater Elementary	29	41		38	50		39	51	
Ballico-Cressey Elementary	38	60		38	58		38	69	
El Nido Elementary	26	23		41	38		45	31	
Le Grand Elementary	22	22		27	34		26	38	
Livingston Union Elementary	16	15		27	32		17	26	
McSwain Union Elementary	66	50		69	50		70	47	
Merced City Elementary	25	34		36	43		37	43	
Merced River Union Elementary	45	70		68	60		64	55	
Plainsburg Union Elementary	36	31		27	29		45	43	
Planada Elementary	7	8		13	19		19	36	
Snelling-Merced Falls Union Elementary	36			45			27		
Weaver Union Elementary	23	26		42	43		36	39	
Winton Elementary	21	23		28	32				
Delhi Unified	27	28	23	31	40	32	24	29	28
Dos Palos Oro Loma Joint Unified	23	35	19	20	46	23	26	31	23
Gustine Unified	39	36	20	46	56	35	58	61	42
Hilmar Unified	44	50	20	45	51	35	41	60	34
Los Banos Unified	30	32	19	37	40	23	34	31	20
Le Grand Union High			11			16			33
Merced Union High			27			35			41
<b>Merced County</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>35</b>
<b>Statewide</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>46</b>

Source: California Department of Education, Education Data Partnership  
<http://www.ed-data.k12.ca.us/dev/School.asp>

The national norm is in the 50<sup>th</sup> percentile. The scores in the above table are listed in percentile levels, which rate a student's performance against those of other students.

**2000 Census Summary  
City of Atwater  
Enrollment & Educational Attainment**

	Number	Percentage
<b>SCHOOL ENROLLMENT</b>		
<b>Population 3 years and over enrolled in school</b>		
	7,905	
Nursery school, preschool	321	4.1
Kindergarten	381	4.8
Elementary school (grades 1-8)	3,967	50.2
High school (grades 9-12)	1,739	22.0
College or graduate school	1,497	18.9
<b>EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT</b>		
<b>Population 25 years and over</b>		
	12,440	
Less than 9 <sup>th</sup> grade	2,098	16.9
9 <sup>th</sup> to 12 <sup>th</sup> grade, no diploma	1,595	12.8
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	2,834	22.8
Some college, no degree	3,316	26.7
Associate degree	1,072	8.6
Bachelor's degree	1,033	8.3
Graduate or professional degree	492	4.0
Percent high school graduate or higher	70.3	
Percent bachelor's degree or higher	12.3	

*Table DP-2: Profile of Selected Social Characteristics*

**2000 Census Summary  
City of Dos Palos  
Enrollment & Educational Attainment**

	Number	Percentage
<b>SCHOOL ENROLLMENT</b>		
<b>Population 3 years and over enrolled in school</b>	1,707	
Nursery school, preschool	96	5.6
Kindergarten	68	4.0
Elementary school (grades 1-8)	876	51.3
High school (grades 9-12)	515	30.2
College or graduate school	152	8.9
<b>EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT</b>		
<b>Population 25 years and over</b>	2,636	
Less than 9 <sup>th</sup> grade	521	19.8
9 <sup>th</sup> to 12 <sup>th</sup> grade, no diploma	618	23.4
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	695	26.4
Some college, no degree	534	20.3
Associate degree	154	5.8
Bachelor's degree	64	2.4
Graduate or professional degree	50	1.9
Percent high school graduate or higher	56.8	
Percent bachelor's degree or higher	4.3	

*Table DP-2: Profile of Selected Social Characteristics*

**2000 Census Summary  
City of Gustine  
Enrollment & Educational Attainment**

	Number	Percentage
<b>SCHOOL ENROLLMENT</b>		
<b>Population 3 years and over enrolled in school</b>	1,381	
Nursery school, preschool	49	3.5
Kindergarten	59	4.3
Elementary school (grades 1-8)	595	43.1
High school (grades 9-12)	461	33.4
College or graduate school	217	15.7
<b>EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT</b>		
<b>Population 25 years and over</b>	2,945	
Less than 9 <sup>th</sup> grade	647	22.0
9 <sup>th</sup> to 12 <sup>th</sup> grade, no diploma	493	16.7
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	745	25.3
Some college, no degree	666	22.6
Associate degree	118	4.0
Bachelor's degree	217	7.4
Graduate or professional degree	59	2.0
Percent high school graduate or higher	61.3	
Percent bachelor's degree or higher	9.4	

*Table DP-2: Profile of Selected Social Characteristics*

**2000 Census Summary  
City of Livingston  
Enrollment & Educational Attainment**

	Number	Percentage
<b>SCHOOL ENROLLMENT</b>		
<b>Population 3 years and over enrolled in school</b>	3,585	
Nursery school, preschool	146	4.1
Kindergarten	176	4.9
Elementary school (grades 1-8)	1,794	50.0
High school (grades 9-12)	941	26.2
College or graduate school	528	14.7
<b>EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT</b>		
<b>Population 25 years and over</b>	5,223	
Less than 9 <sup>th</sup> grade	2,447	46.9
9 <sup>th</sup> to 12 <sup>th</sup> grade, no diploma	840	16.1
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	867	16.6
Some college, no degree	524	10.0
Associate degree	219	4.2
Bachelor's degree	265	5.1
Graduate or professional degree	61	1.2
Percent high school graduate or higher	37.1	
Percent bachelor's degree or higher	6.2	

*Table DP-2: Profile of Selected Social Characteristics*

**2000 Census Summary  
City of Los Banos  
Enrollment & Educational Attainment**

	Number	Percentage
<b>SCHOOL ENROLLMENT</b>		
<b>Population 3 years and over enrolled in school</b>		
Nursery school, preschool	516	6.3
Kindergarten	606	7.4
Elementary school (grades 1-8)	4,185	51.0
High school (grades 9-12)	1,901	23.2
College or graduate school	994	12.1
<b>EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT</b>		
<b>Population 25 years and over</b>		
Less than 9 <sup>th</sup> grade	2,319	15.8
9 <sup>th</sup> to 12 <sup>th</sup> grade, no diploma	2,147	14.6
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	4,086	27.8
Some college, no degree	3,822	26.0
Associate degree	855	5.8
Bachelor's degree	1,079	7.3
Graduate or professional degree	373	2.5
Percent high school graduate or higher	69.6	
Percent bachelor's degree or higher	9.9	

*Table DP-2: Profile of Selected Social Characteristics*

**2000 Census Summary  
City of Merced  
Enrollment & Educational Attainment**

	Number	Percentage
<b>SCHOOL ENROLLMENT</b>		
<b>Population 3 years and over enrolled in school</b>	22,238	
Nursery school, preschool	1,235	5.6
Kindergarten	1,254	5.6
Elementary school (grades 1-8)	10,675	48.0
High school (grades 9-12)	4,998	22.5
College or graduate school	4,076	18.3
<b>EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT</b>		
<b>Population 25 years and over</b>	34,422	
Less than 9 <sup>th</sup> grade	6,238	18.1
9 <sup>th</sup> to 12 <sup>th</sup> grade, no diploma	4,613	13.4
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	7,737	22.5
Some college, no degree	8,328	24.2
Associate degree	2,830	8.2
Bachelor's degree	3,031	8.8
Graduate or professional degree	1,645	4.8
Percent high school graduate or higher	68.5	
Percent bachelor's degree or higher	13.6	

*Table DP-2: Profile of Selected Social Characteristics*

**2000 Census Summary  
Merced County  
Enrollment & Educational Attainment**

	Number	Percentage
<b>SCHOOL ENROLLMENT</b>		
<b>Population 3 years and over enrolled in school</b>	70,396	
Nursery school, preschool	3,578	5.1
Kindergarten	3,992	5.7
Elementary school (grades 1-8)	35,010	49.7
High school (grades 9-12)	16,739	23.8
College or graduate school	11,077	15.7
<b>EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT</b>		
<b>Population 25 years and over</b>	116,725	
Less than 9 <sup>th</sup> grade	25,184	21.6
9 <sup>th</sup> to 12 <sup>th</sup> grade, no diploma	17,063	14.6
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	27,901	23.9
Some college, no degree	25,632	22.0
Associate degree	8,049	6.9
Bachelor's degree	8,882	7.6
Graduate or professional degree	4,014	3.4
Percent high school graduate or higher	63.8	
Percent bachelor's degree or higher	11.0	

*Table DP-2: Profile of Selected Social Characteristics*

# **ECONOMIC VITALITY**

**2000-2002 Data Summary**  
**Merced Countywide Comparison**  
**Annual Unemployment Levels**

<b>JURISDICTION</b>	<b>2000</b>	<b>2001</b>	<b>2002</b>
Merced County (all areas included)	14.5%	14.1%	14.4%
Atwater – City	13.0%	12.6%	12.9%
Delhi – CDP	14.5%	14.2%	14.4%
Dos Palos – City	21.4%	20.9%	21.2%
Gustine – City	12.9%	12.5%	12.8%
Hilmar-Irwin – CDP	11.2%	10.9%	11.1%
Le Grand – CDP	12.6%	12.3%	12.5%
Livingston – City	23.2%	22.7%	23.0%
Los Banos – City	13.9%	13.6%	13.8%
Merced – City	14.4%	14.0%	14.2%
Planada – CDP	28.2%	27.6%	28.0%
South Dos Palos - CDP	44.5%	43.7%	44.2%
Winton – CDP	18.7%	18.2%	18.5%
CA State	6.7%	5.4%	4.9%

*Source: CA Economic Development Department, Labor Market Information, <http://www.calmis.ca.gov>*

**2000 Census Summary  
City of Atwater  
Income Characteristics**

	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>TOTAL POPULATION</b>	23,113	
<b>TOTAL HOUSEHOLDS</b>	7,237	
<i>Household Income in 1999</i>		
\$ 0 - \$10,000	692	9.6
\$10,000 - \$14,999	504	7.0
\$15,000 - \$24,999	1,075	14.9
\$25,000 - \$34,999	1,085	15.0
\$35,000 - \$49,999	1,430	19.8
\$50,000 - \$74,999	1,510	20.9
\$75,000 - \$99,999	494	6.8
\$100,000 - \$149,999	338	4.7
\$150,000 - \$199,999	69	1.0
\$200,000 or more	40	0.6
<b>MEDIAN</b>	\$37,344	
<b>POVERTY STATUS IN 1999</b>	<b>Number Below Poverty Level</b>	<b>Percent Below Poverty Level</b>
<i>Families</i>	865	15.3
With related children under 18 yrs	763	20.8
With related children under 5 yrs	495	28.0
<i>Individuals</i>	4,261	18.7
18 yrs & over	2,232	15.1
Related children under 18 yrs	1,977	25.1

*Table DP-3: Profile of Selected Economic Characteristics*

**2000 Census Summary  
City of Dos Palos  
Income Characteristics**

	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>TOTAL POPULATION</b>	4,581	
<b>TOTAL HOUSEHOLDS</b>	1,447	
<i>Household Income in 1999</i>		
\$ 0 - \$10,000	175	12.1
\$10,000 - \$14,999	115	7.9
\$15,000 - \$24,999	323	22.3
\$25,000 - \$34,999	182	12.6
\$35,000 - \$49,999	198	13.7
\$50,000 - \$74,999	307	21.2
\$75,000 - \$99,999	48	3.3
\$100,000 - \$149,999	63	4.4
\$150,000 - \$199,999	19	1.3
\$200,000 or more	17	1.2
<b>MEDIAN</b>	\$29,147	
<b>POVERTY STATUS IN 1999</b>	<b>Number Below Poverty Level</b>	<b>Percent Below Poverty Level</b>
<i>Families</i>	224	19.1
With related children under 18 yrs	194	25.0
With related children under 5 yrs	117	28.5
<i>Individuals</i>	1,050	22.8
18 yrs & over	528	17.8
Related children under 18 yrs	522	31.9

*Table DP-3: Profile of Selected Economic Characteristics*

**2000 Census Summary  
City of Gustine  
Income Characteristics**

	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>TOTAL POPULATION</b>	4,698	
<b>TOTAL HOUSEHOLDS</b>	1,692	
<i>Household Income in 1999</i>		
\$ 0 - \$10,000	200	11.8
\$10,000 - \$14,999	174	10.3
\$15,000 - \$24,999	225	13.3
\$25,000 - \$34,999	152	9.0
\$35,000 - \$49,999	304	18.0
\$50,000 - \$74,999	384	22.7
\$75,000 - \$99,999	112	6.6
\$100,000 - \$149,999	89	5.3
\$150,000 - \$199,999	44	2.6
\$200,000 or more	8	0.5
<b>MEDIAN</b>	\$38,824	
<b>POVERTY STATUS IN 1999</b>	<b>Number Below Poverty Level</b>	<b>Percent Below Poverty Level</b>
<i>Families</i>	147	11.5
With related children under 18 yrs	103	15.5
With related children under 5 yrs	71	27.0
<i>Individuals</i>	817	16.9
18 yrs & over	496	14.6
Related children under 18 yrs	321	22.5

*Table DP-3: Profile of Selected Economic Characteristics*

**2000 Census Summary  
City of Livingston  
Income Characteristics**

	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>TOTAL POPULATION</b>	10,473	
<b>TOTAL HOUSEHOLDS</b>	2,400	
<i>Household Income in 1999</i>		
\$ 0 - \$10,000	244	10.2
\$10,000 - \$14,999	126	5.3
\$15,000 - \$24,999	550	22.9
\$25,000 - \$34,999	379	15.8
\$35,000 - \$49,999	445	18.5
\$50,000 - \$74,999	401	16.7
\$75,000 - \$99,999	156	6.5
\$100,000 - \$149,999	74	3.1
\$150,000 - \$199,999	7	0.3
\$200,000 or more	18	0.8
<b>MEDIAN</b>	\$32,500	
<b>POVERTY STATUS IN 1999</b>	<b>Number Below Poverty Level</b>	<b>Percent Below Poverty Level</b>
<i>Families</i>	446	20.8
With related children under 18 yrs	424	26.2
With related children under 5 yrs	247	31.9
<i>Individuals</i>	2,595	25.2
18 yrs & over	1,402	21.7
Related children under 18 yrs	1,167	30.7

*Table DP-3: Profile of Selected Economic Characteristics*

**2000 Census Summary  
City of Los Banos  
Income Characteristics**

	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>TOTAL POPULATION</b>	25,869	
<b>TOTAL HOUSEHOLDS</b>	7,758	
<i>Household Income in 1999</i>		
\$ 0 - \$10,000	722	9.3
\$10,000 - \$14,999	340	4.4
\$15,000 - \$24,999	821	10.6
\$25,000 - \$34,999	1,029	13.3
\$35,000 - \$49,999	1,573	20.3
\$50,000 - \$74,999	1,680	21.7
\$75,000 - \$99,999	983	12.7
\$100,000 - \$149,999	408	5.3
\$150,000 - \$199,999	151	1.9
\$200,000 or more	51	0.7
<b>MEDIAN</b>	\$43,690	
<b>POVERTY STATUS IN 1999</b>	<b>Number Below Poverty Level</b>	<b>Percent Below Poverty Level</b>
<i>Families</i>	625	9.8
With related children under 18 yrs	496	11.9
With related children under 5 yrs	307	16.9
<i>Individuals</i>	3,094	12.1
18 yrs & over	1,813	10.9
Related children under 18 yrs	1,232	13.9

*Table DP-3: Profile of Selected Economic Characteristics*

**2000 Census Summary  
City of Merced  
Income Characteristics**

	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>TOTAL POPULATION</b>	63,893	
<b>TOTAL HOUSEHOLDS</b>	20,465	
<i>Household Income in 1999</i>		
\$ 0 - \$10,000	2,748	13.4
\$10,000 - \$14,999	2,094	10.2
\$15,000 - \$24,999	3,469	17.0
\$25,000 - \$34,999	3,249	15.9
\$35,000 - \$49,999	3,015	14.7
\$50,000 - \$74,999	3,410	16.7
\$75,000 - \$99,999	1,395	6.8
\$100,000 - \$149,999	774	3.8
\$150,000 - \$199,999	193	0.9
\$200,000 or more	118	0.6
<b>MEDIAN</b>	\$30,429	
<b>POVERTY STATUS IN 1999</b>	<b>Number Below Poverty Level</b>	<b>Percent Below Poverty Level</b>
<i>Families</i>	3,296	22.4
With related children under 18 yrs	2,937	30.4
With related children under 5 yrs	1,682	37.7
<i>Individuals</i>	17,489	27.9
18 yrs & over	9,418	22.9
Related children under 18 yrs	7,984	36.9

*Table DP-3: Profile of Selected Economic Characteristics*

## 2000 Census Summary Merced County Income Characteristics

	Number	Percentage
<b>TOTAL POPULATION</b>	210,554	
<b>TOTAL HOUSEHOLDS</b>	63,933	
<i>Household Income in 1999</i>		
\$ 0 - \$10,000	7,057	11.0
\$10,000 - \$14,999	5,055	7.9
\$15,000 - \$24,999	9,707	15.2
\$25,000 - \$34,999	9,666	15.1
\$35,000 - \$49,999	11,012	17.2
\$50,000 - \$74,999	11,831	18.5
\$75,000 - \$99,999	5,197	8.1
\$100,000 - \$149,999	2,917	4.6
\$150,000 - \$199,999	812	1.3
\$200,000 or more	679	1.1
<b>MEDIAN</b>	\$35,532	
<b>POVERTY STATUS IN 1999</b>	<b>Number Below Poverty Level</b>	<b>Percent Below Poverty Level</b>
<i>Families</i>	8,481	16.9
With related children under 18 yrs	7,291	22.8
With related children under 5 yrs	4,031	28.3
<i>Individuals</i>	45,059	21.7
18 yrs & over	24,636	18.0
Related children under 18 yrs	20,004	28.4

Table DP-3: Profile of Selected Economic Characteristics

**2000 Census Summary  
City of Atwater  
Occupation & Industry Characteristics**

	Number	Percentage
<b>Employed Civilian Population 16 Years and Over</b>	8,858	
<b>OCCUPATION</b>		
Management, professional, and related occupations	2,362	26.7
Service occupations	1,421	16.0
Sales and office occupations	1,933	21.8
Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations	567	6.4
Construction, extraction, and maintenance occupations	917	10.4
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	1,658	18.7
<b>INDUSTRY</b>		
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting, and mining	619	7.0
Construction	566	6.4
Manufacturing	1,250	14.1
Wholesale trade	403	4.5
Retail trade	881	9.9
Transportation and warehousing, and utilities	362	4.1
Information	335	3.8
Finance, insurance, real estate, and rental and leasing	292	3.3
Professional, scientific, management, administrative, and waste management services	491	5.5
Educational, health and social services	2,094	23.6
Arts, entertainment, recreation, accommodation and food services	721	8.1
Other services (except public administration)	357	4.0
Public administration	487	5.5

*Table DP-3: Profile of Selected Economic Characteristics*

**2000 Census Summary  
City of Dos Palos  
Occupation & Industry Characteristics**

	Number	Percentage
<b>Employed Civilian Population 16 Years and Over</b>	1,370	
<b>OCCUPATION</b>		
Management, professional, and related occupations	264	19.3
Service occupations	193	14.1
Sales and office occupations	381	27.8
Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations	148	10.8
Construction, extraction, and maintenance occupations	188	13.7
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	196	14.3
<b>INDUSTRY</b>		
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting, and mining	246	18.0
Construction	130	9.5
Manufacturing	89	6.5
Wholesale trade	84	6.1
Retail trade	204	14.9
Transportation and warehousing, and utilities	53	3.9
Information	18	1.3
Finance, insurance, real estate, and rental and leasing	11	0.8
Professional, scientific, management, administrative, and waste management services	5	0.4
Educational, health and social services	259	18.9
Arts, entertainment, recreation, accommodation and food services	72	5.3
Other services (except public administration)	116	8.5
Public administration	83	6.1

*Table DP-3: Profile of Selected Economic Characteristics*

**2000 Census Summary  
City of Gustine  
Occupation & Industry Characteristics**

	Number	Percentage
<b>Employed Civilian Population 16 Years and Over</b>	1,905	
<b>OCCUPATION</b>		
Management, professional, and related occupations	280	14.7
Service occupations	399	20.9
Sales and office occupations	532	27.9
Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations	123	6.5
Construction, extraction, and maintenance occupations	165	8.7
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	406	21.3
<b>INDUSTRY</b>		
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting, and mining	178	9.3
Construction	63	3.3
Manufacturing	229	12.0
Wholesale trade	142	7.5
Retail trade	305	16.0
Transportation and warehousing, and utilities	195	10.2
Information	25	1.3
Finance, insurance, real estate, and rental and leasing	84	4.4
Professional, scientific, management, administrative, and waste management services	119	6.2
Educational, health and social services	331	17.4
Arts, entertainment, recreation, accommodation and food services	107	5.6
Other services (except public administration)	75	3.9
Public administration	52	2.7

*Table DP-3: Profile of Selected Economic Characteristics*

## 2000 Census Summary City of Livingston Occupation & Industry Characteristics

	Number	Percentage
<b>Employed Civilian Population 16 Years and Over</b>	3,617	
<b>OCCUPATION</b>		
Management, professional, and related occupations	417	11.5
Service occupations	537	14.8
Sales and office occupations	653	18.1
Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations	644	17.8
Construction, extraction, and maintenance occupations	272	7.5
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	1,094	30.2
<b>INDUSTRY</b>		
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting, and mining	749	20.7
Construction	151	4.2
Manufacturing	871	24.1
Wholesale trade	351	9.7
Retail trade	327	9.0
Transportation and warehousing, and utilities	77	2.1
Information	39	1.1
Finance, insurance, real estate, and rental and leasing	73	2.0
Professional, scientific, management, administrative, and waste management services	101	2.8
Educational, health and social services	496	13.7
Arts, entertainment, recreation, accommodation and food services	236	6.5
Other services (except public administration)	100	2.8
Public administration	46	1.3

*Table DP-3: Profile of Selected Economic Characteristics*

**2000 Census Summary  
City of Los Banos  
Occupation & Industry Characteristics**

	Number	Percentage
<b>Employed Civilian Population 16 Years and Over</b>	9,290	
<b>OCCUPATION</b>		
Management, professional, and related occupations	2,510	27.0
Service occupations	1,597	17.2
Sales and office occupations	2,007	21.6
Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations	504	5.4
Construction, extraction, and maintenance occupations	1,202	12.9
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	1,470	15.8
<b>INDUSTRY</b>		
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting, and mining	801	8.6
Construction	824	8.9
Manufacturing	1,315	14.2
Wholesale trade	284	3.1
Retail trade	1,292	13.9
Transportation and warehousing, and utilities	713	7.7
Information	192	2.1
Finance, insurance, real estate, and rental and leasing	230	2.5
Professional, scientific, management, administrative, and waste management services	671	7.2
Educational, health and social services	1,505	16.2
Arts, entertainment, recreation, accommodation and food services	713	7.7
Other services (except public administration)	452	4.9
Public administration	298	3.2

*Table DP-3: Profile of Selected Economic Characteristics*

**2000 Census Summary  
City of Merced  
Occupation & Industry Characteristics**

	Number	Percentage
<b>Employed Civilian Population 16 Years and Over</b>	22,267	
<b>OCCUPATION</b>		
Management, professional, and related occupations	6,093	27.4
Service occupations	4,041	18.1
Sales and office occupations	5,552	24.9
Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations	981	4.4
Construction, extraction, and maintenance occupations	2,148	9.6
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	3,452	15.5
<b>INDUSTRY</b>		
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting, and mining	1,173	5.3
Construction	1,272	5.7
Manufacturing	2,387	10.7
Wholesale trade	691	3.1
Retail trade	2,466	11.1
Transportation and warehousing, and utilities	923	4.1
Information	911	4.1
Finance, insurance, real estate, and rental and leasing	954	4.3
Professional, scientific, management, administrative, and waste management services	1,859	8.3
Educational, health and social services	5,624	25.3
Arts, entertainment, recreation, accommodation and food services	1,695	7.6
Other services (except public administration)	989	4.4
Public administration	1,323	5.9

*Table DP-3: Profile of Selected Economic Characteristics*

**2000 Census Summary  
Merced County  
Occupation & Industry Characteristics**

	Number	Percentage
<b>Employed Civilian Population 16 Years and Over</b>	75,321	
<b>OCCUPATION</b>		
Management, professional, and related occupations	19,285	25.6
Service occupations	11,876	15.8
Sales and office occupations	16,560	22.0
Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations	6,529	8.7
Construction, extraction, and maintenance occupations	7,946	10.5
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	13,125	17.4
<b>INDUSTRY</b>		
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting, and mining	9,378	12.5
Construction	5,081	6.7
Manufacturing	9,781	13.0
Wholesale trade	3,383	4.5
Retail trade	8,071	10.7
Transportation and warehousing, and utilities	3,620	4.8
Information	2,034	2.7
Finance, insurance, real estate, and rental and leasing	2,533	3.4
Professional, scientific, management, administrative, and waste management services	4,547	6.0
Educational, health and social services	15,296	20.3
Arts, entertainment, recreation, accommodation and food services	5,158	6.8
Other services (except public administration)	3,241	4.3
Public administration	3,198	4.2

*Table DP-3: Profile of Selected Economic Characteristics*

**2000 Census Summary  
City of Atwater  
Commuting to Work**

	Number	Percentage
<b>Workers 16 years and over</b>	8,668	
Car, truck or van – drove alone	6,671	77.0
Car, truck or van - carpoled	1,324	15.3
Public transportation (including taxicab)	88	1.0
Walked	177	2.0
Other means	147	1.7
Worked at home	261	3.0
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	22.4	
<b>VEHICLES AVAILABLE</b>		
None	563	7.8
1	2,394	33.1
2	2,867	39.7
3 or more	1,402	19.4

*Table DP-3: Profile of Selected Economic Characteristics*

**2000 Census Summary  
City of Dos Palos  
Commuting to Work**

	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>Workers 16 years and over</b>	1,366	
Car, truck or van – drove alone	1,033	75.6
Car, truck or van - carpoled	214	15.7
Public transportation (including taxicab)	23	1.7
Walked	54	4.0
Other means	26	1.9
Worked at home	16	1.2
<b>Mean travel time to work (minutes)</b>	<b>32.9</b>	
<b>VEHICLES AVAILABLE</b>		
None	144	10.1
1	545	38.1
2	526	36.8
3 or more	214	15.0

*Table DP-3: Profile of Selected Economic Characteristics*

*Table DP-4: Profile of Selected Housing Characteristics*

**2000 Census Summary  
City of Gustine  
Commuting to Work**

	Number	Percentage
<b>Workers 16 years and over</b>	1,861	
Car, truck or van – drove alone	1,322	71.0
Car, truck or van - carpooled	333	17.9
Public transportation (including taxicab)	20	1.1
Walked	38	2.0
Other means	54	2.9
Worked at home	94	5.1
<b>Mean travel time to work (minutes)</b>	33.9	
<b>VEHICLES AVAILABLE</b>		
None	193	11.4
1	475	27.9
2	673	39.6
3 or more	359	21.1

*Table DP-3: Profile of Selected Economic Characteristics*

*Table DP-4: Profile of Selected Housing Characteristics*

**2000 Census Summary  
City of Livingston  
Commuting to Work**

	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>Workers 16 years and over</b>	3,399	
Car, truck or van – drove alone	2,317	68.2
Car, truck or van - carpoled	780	22.9
Public transportation (including taxicab)	64	1.9
Walked	95	2.8
Other means	86	2.5
Worked at home	57	1.7
<b>Mean travel time to work (minutes)</b>	20.7	
<b>VEHICLES AVAILABLE</b>		
None	298	12.3
1	742	30.7
2	825	34.1
3 or more	551	22.8

*Table DP-3: Profile of Selected Economic Characteristics  
Table DP-4: Profile of Selected Housing Characteristics*

**2000 Census Summary  
City of Los Banos  
Commuting to Work**

	Number	Percentage
<b>Workers 16 years and over</b>	9,132	
Car, truck or van – drove alone	6,003	65.7
Car, truck or van - carpoled	2,454	26.9
Public transportation (including taxicab)	22	0.2
Walked	344	3.8
Other means	135	1.5
Worked at home	174	1.9
<b>Mean travel time to work (minutes)</b>	44.5	
<b>VEHICLES AVAILABLE</b>		
None	701	9.0
1	2,237	28.9
2	3,194	41.2
3 or more	1,620	20.9

*Table DP-3: Profile of Selected Economic Characteristics*

*Table DP-4: Profile of Selected Housing Characteristics*

**2000 Census Summary  
City of Merced  
Commuting to Work**

	Number	Percentage
<b>Workers 16 years and over</b>	21,668	
Car, truck or van – drove alone	15,984	73.8
Car, truck or van - carpoled	4,177	19.3
Public transportation (including taxicab)	160	0.7
Walked	339	1.6
Other means	434	2.0
Worked at home	574	2.6
<b>Mean travel time to work (minutes)</b>	21.6	
<b>VEHICLES AVAILABLE</b>		
None	3,122	15.2
1	7,838	38.3
2	6,852	33.5
3 or more	2,668	13.0

*Table DP-3: Profile of Selected Economic Characteristics  
Table DP-4: Profile of Selected Housing Characteristics*

**2000 Census Summary  
Merced County  
Commuting to Work**

	Number	Percentage
<b>Workers 16 years and over</b>	73,346	
Car, truck or van – drove alone	53,453	72.9
Car, truck or van - carpooled	13,535	18.5
Public transportation (including taxicab)	521	0.7
Walked	2,168	3.0
Other means	1,303	1.8
Worked at home	2,366	3.2
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	26.0	
<b>VEHICLES AVAILABLE</b>		
None	6,659	10.4
1	20,352	31.9
2	24,257	38.0
3 or more	12,547	19.7

*Table DP-3: Profile of Selected Economic Characteristics*

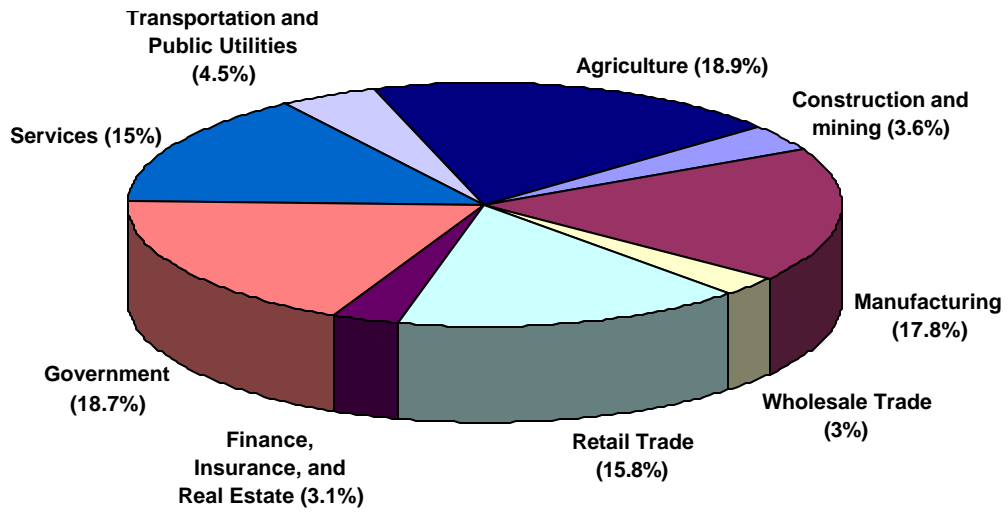
## 2000-2002 Data Summary Merced County Agricultural Production

Agricultural Commodity	2002		2001		2000		Percent Change in Value 2000-2002
	Rank	Value (millions \$)	Rank	Value (millions \$)	Rank	Value (millions \$)	
Milk	1	\$516.8	1	625.8	1	491.7	4.9%
Chickens	2	198.2	2	156.6	2	154.4	22.1%
Almonds	3	177.4	4	116.3	5	94.8	46.6%
Cattle and calves	4	140.8	3	143.1	4	109.2	22.4%
Tomatoes	5	89.1	5	82.0	3	112.6	-26.4%
Alfalfa Hay	6	73.8	7	69.8	8	56.3	23.7%
Sweet Potatoes	7	67.1	8	52.9	7	57.3	14.6%
Cotton	8	63.6	6	71.5	6	69.8	-9.7%
Corn silage	9	48.2	10	40.7	11	36.1	25.1%
Turkeys	10	40.0	9	47.8	9	43.7	-9.3%
Eggs, Chicken	11	38.5	11	28.8	12	30.3	21.3%
Wine Grapes	12	28.0	12	24.6	10	38.7	-38.2%

Source: Merced County Crop Reports, <http://www.co.merced.ca.us/ag/index.html>

\*The California Department of Finance reports that Merced County ranks fifth in the state in value of agricultural production.

# 1999 Data Summary Merced County Employment by Industry



Source:  
CA Employment Development Department, Labor Market Information,  
<http://www.calmis.cahwnet.gov/file/COsnaps/merceSNAP.pdf>

**2000 Data Summary**  
**Merced County**  
**“Doubly Burdened City”<sup>\*</sup> Ranking**

<b>Rank</b>	<b>Jurisdiction</b>	<b>Population 1998</b>	<b>Unemployment Rate 1999</b>	<b>Change in Population 1980 to 1998</b>	<b>Est. Poverty Rate 1995</b>
1	Anniston AL	25,524	9.6%	-13.5%	28.0%
2	Gadsden AL	42,158	8.4%	-11.4%	22.9%
3	Yuma AZ	62,433	19.3%	47.1%	22.4%
4	Pine Bluff AR	52,968	8.2%	-6.5%	31.8%
5	Chico CA	46,915	6.6%	76.4%	28.4%
6	Fresno CA	398,133	12.2%	82.5%	28.1%
7	Los Angeles CA	3,597,556	6.8%	21.3%	28.6%
8	Madera CA	36,645	16.9%	68.6%	33.0%
<b>9</b>	<b>Merced CA</b>	<b>59,380</b>	<b>13.1%</b>	<b>62.7%</b>	<b>33.9%</b>
10	Porterville CA	35,602	19.6%	80.7%	31.8%
11	Salinas CA	121,458	12.7%	50.9%	21.1%
12	San Bernardino CA	186,402	7.1%	58.7%	29.6%
13	Stockton CA	240,143	10.6%	60.3%	25.8%
14	Tulare CA	40,935	14.3%	81.7%	25.2%
15	Visalia CA	89,308	10.8%	79.6%	21.3%

Source: *The State of the Cities 2000*, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, June 2000

\*“Doubly burdened” cities have an unemployment rate 50 percent higher than the U.S. rate and either have lost more than 5 percent of their population since 1980 or have a poverty rate 20 percent or higher.

\*“Doubly Burdened” Cities:  
(Unemployment Rate 1999 $\geq$ 6.3%) and  
(Poverty Rate 1995 $\geq$ 20%) OR  
(Population Loss 1980 to 1998)

**1998-2000 Data Summary  
Merced County  
Public Assistance Recipients**

	July		
	1998	1999	2000
<b>RECIPIENTS BY PROGRAM</b>			
CalWORKS & AFDC/TANF	26,269	22,294	19,502
Food Stamps	31,941	26,147	22,116

*Source: CA Economic Development Department, Labor Market Information, Public Assistance Recipients by Program, <http://www.calmis>.*

## 2000 Data Summary Regional Taxable Sales per Capita

Regional Ranking	Jurisdiction	Taxable Sales per Capita (Thousands \$)		
		Retail	Other	Total
1	San Joaquin	\$7,648	\$3,827	\$11,475
2	Stanislaus	\$7,884	\$3,544	\$11,428
3	Fresno	\$7,175	\$3,202	\$10,377
4	Kern	\$6,567	\$3,658	\$10,225
5	Tulare	\$5,804	\$2,786	\$8,590
<b>6</b>	<b>Merced</b>	<b>\$5,585</b>	<b>\$2,531</b>	<b>\$8,116</b>
7	Madera	\$4,558	\$2,340	\$6,898
8	Kings	\$4,627	\$1,975	\$6,602
	California	\$8,326	\$4,489	\$12,815

*Source: California Research Bureau, "San Joaquin Valley: Selected Statistics on Population, Economy, and Environment," May 2002.*

## 2000 Data Summary

### Regional Average Payroll per Employee

Regional Ranking	Jurisdiction	Average Payroll per Employee
1	San Joaquin	\$27,411
2	Fresno	\$26,787
3	Kern	\$26,550
4	Stanislaus	\$26,447
5	Tulare	\$24,020
6	Kings	\$23,731
<b>7</b>	<b>Merced</b>	<b>\$22,789</b>
8	Madera	\$20,132
	California	\$36,139

*Source: California Research Bureau, "San Joaquin Valley: Selected Statistics on Population, Economy, and Environment," May 2002.*

# **HEALTH**

## Merced County 1996-1998 AIDS/HIV Infection

<b>Reported Incidence of AIDS 1996-1998</b>			
	<b>State Rank (58=highest)</b>	<b>Yearly Average Of Cases</b>	<b>Rate per 100,000 population</b>
Merced County	19	9.67	4.79
CA	NA	5,705	17.31
Source: <u>County Health Status Profiles 2000</u> , p. 28, CA Department of Health Services, <a href="http://www.dhs.cahwnet.gov/hisp/chs">www.dhs.cahwnet.gov/hisp/chs</a>			

## Merced County 1991-1999 Infant Death Rate

Infant Death Rates Merced County, 1991-1999 <i>(Rate = infant deaths per 1,000 live births)</i>									
Year	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
Merced County	9.7	7.3	5.9	7.2	8.2	7.2	6.9	6.2	6.6
California	7.5	6.9	6.8	7.0	6.3	5.9	5.9	5.7	5.4
Source: CA Department of Health Services <a href="http://www.dhs.ca.gov">http://www.dhs.ca.gov</a>									

The infant death rate (deaths among infants under one year old per 1,000 live births) is one of the most widely used indicators of the overall health status of a community.

**Merced County  
1999-2000  
Medi-Cal Enrollments**

<b>MEDI-CAL ENROLLMENTS MERCED COUNTY</b>				
	<b>April 1999</b>	<b>July 1999</b>	<b>October 1999</b>	<b>January 2000</b>
Total Medi-Cal Enrollment	54,702	53,229	51,895	53,607
Dual Eligibles (Medi-Cal & Medicare)	5,902	5,882	5,887	5,990
<i>Source: Medi-Cal Policy Institute, <a href="http://www.medi-cal.org/countydata/index.cfm?countyID=24">http://www.medi-cal.org/countydata/index.cfm?countyID=24</a></i>				

**Merced County  
1990-1998  
Teen Births**

<b>Teenage Birth Rate per 1,000 Girls Aged 15-19</b>									
	<b>1990</b>	<b>1991</b>	<b>1992</b>	<b>1993</b>	<b>1994</b>	<b>1995</b>	<b>1996</b>	<b>1997</b>	<b>1998</b>
<b>Merced County</b>	102.5	102.7	99.1	96.1	98.9	99.5	84.4	74.8	64.3
<b>CA</b>	70.0	72.9	71.7	71.3	70.2	67.2	61.6	56.7	53.2
<i>Source: CA Department of Health Services, Maternal and Child Health Epidemiology Section <a href="http://www.dhs.ca.gov/pcfh/mchb/pdfs/TeenBirthRateByCounty1990-98.pdf">http://www.dhs.ca.gov/pcfh/mchb/pdfs/TeenBirthRateByCounty1990-98.pdf</a></i>									

## Regional 2000 Health Insurance

<b>Uninsured by Age Group State Assembly District 26 2000</b>		
<b>Age Group</b>	<b>Assembly District 26</b>	<b>California</b>
0-18	15%	19%
19-64	23%	24%
65+	2%	2%
<i>Source: UCLA Center for Health Policy Research, 2000  <a href="http://www.igs-ucb.caltech.edu/igs/CALJOURNALlinks/ASSEMBLY.html">http://www.igs-ucb.caltech.edu/igs/CALJOURNALlinks/ASSEMBLY.html</a></i>		

The most precise information currently available on the number of insured persons in Merced County combines the county with the remainder of Assembly District 26, which includes the Southern part of Stanislaus County. Overall, the District is estimated to have 78,000 uninsured residents. Of the 80 Assembly Districts, the 26<sup>th</sup> District has the 45<sup>th</sup> highest uninsured rate among persons age 0-64.

## 1997-1999 Data Summary

### Regional Age-adjusted Death Rate

The broadest measure of the health of a population may be the age-adjusted death rate. By this measure, counties of the San Joaquin Valley do not fare as well as California as a whole, with Merced County ranking lowest regionally.

Regional Ranking	County	Death Rate
1	Madera	770
-	<i>California</i>	792
2	Kings	822
3	Fresno	829
4	San Joaquin	843
5	Tulare	849
6	Kern	866
7	Stanislaus	909
<b>8</b>	<b>Merced</b>	<b>914</b>

*Source: California Research Bureau, "San Joaquin Valley: Selected Statistics on Population, Economy, and Environment," May 2002.*

## 2000 Data Summary

### Regional Persons per Physician

The average number of persons per physician is one way to measure the level of access to medical care, with fewer people per physician indicating a greater level of access. By this measure, counties of the San Joaquin Valley fare poorly compared to California as a whole, with Merced County ranking sixth regionally.

Regional Ranking	Jurisdiction	Persons per Physician
1	Fresno	535
2	Stanislaus	627
3	San Joaquin	675
4	Kern	720
5	Tulare	801
<b>6</b>	<b>Merced</b>	<b>929</b>
7	Madera	990
8	Kings	1,026
	California	410

*Source: California Research Bureau, "San Joaquin Valley: Selected Statistics on Population, Economy, and Environment," May 2002.*

# HOUSING

**2000 Census Summary  
Merced Countywide Comparison  
Housing Affordability Indicators**

<b>PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME IN 1999</b>								
<b>Monthly Owner Costs as a Percentage of Household Income</b>								
	<b>Number</b>							
	Atwater	Dos Palos	Gustine	Livingston	Los Banos	Merced	Unincorp	County Total
Less than 15.0 %	1005	277	356	381	1190	2452	3031	8692
15.0 to 19.9 %	655	155	176	191	723	1344	1465	4709
20.0 to 24.9 %	716	66	97	206	733	1219	1524	4561
25.0 to 29.9 %	516	74	94	179	715	891	1315	3784
30.0 to 34.9 %	336	38	88	136	402	815	728	2543
35.0 % or more	673	224	188	307	1165	1762	2422	6741
	<b>Percent</b>							
Less than 15.0 %	25.6	32.9	35.3	26.8	24.0	28.8	28.9	27.8
15.0 to 19.9 %	16.7	18.4	17.5	13.5	14.6	15.8	13.9	15.1
20.0 to 24.9 %	18.3	7.8	9.6	14.5	14.8	14.3	14.6	14.6
25.0 to 29.9 %	13.2	8.8	9.3	12.6	14.4	10.4	12.6	12.1
30.0 to 34.9 %	8.6	4.5	8.7	9.6	8.1	9.6	6.9	8.1
35.0 % or more	17.2	26.6	18.7	21.6	23.5	20.7	23.1	21.6
<b>Gross Rent as a Percentage of Household Income</b>								
	<b>Number</b>							
	Atwater	Dos Palos	Gustine	Livingston	Los Banos	Merced	Unincorp	County Total
Less than 15.0 %	507	151	103	110	371	1602	1128	3972
15.0 to 19.9 %	470	58	29	174	408	1484	833	3456
20.0 to 24.9 %	309	53	93	120	415	1357	811	3158
25.0 to 29.9 %	351	20	59	107	285	1140	553	2515
30.0 to 34.9 %	263	21	14	83	209	918	374	1882
35.0 % or more	895	197	201	268	621	4058	1785	8025
	<b>Percent</b>							
Less than 15.0 %	17.5	28.3	19.9	12.3	15.1	14.6	20.6	15.9
15.0 to 19.9 %	16.2	10.9	5.6	19.5	16.6	13.5	15.2	13.8
20.0 to 24.9 %	10.7	9.9	18.0	13.5	16.9	12.3	14.8	12.6
25.0 to 29.9 %	12.1	3.8	11.4	12.0	11.6	10.4	10.1	10.1
30.0 to 34.9 %	9.1	3.9	2.7	9.3	8.5	8.3	6.8	7.5
35.0 % or more	30.9	37.0	38.9	30.0	25.3	36.9	32.5	32.1

## 2000 Census Summary Merced Countywide Comparison General Housing Characteristics

<b>HOUSING OCCUPANCY</b>							
	<b>Number</b>						
	Atwater	Dos Palos	Gustine	Livingston	Los Banos	Merced	County
<b>Total Housing Units</b>	<b>8,114</b>	<b>1,491</b>	<b>1,763</b>	<b>2,449</b>	<b>8,049</b>	<b>21,532</b>	<b>68,373</b>
Vacant Housing Units	867	67	80	59	328	1,097	4,558
Occupied Housing Units	7,247	1,424	1,683	2,390	7,721	20,435	63,815
Owner Occupied	4,334	901	1,143	1,476	5,242	9,508	37,483
Renter Occupied	2,913	523	540	914	2,479	10,927	26,332
	<b>Percent</b>						
Vacant Housing Units	10.7	4.5	4.5	2.4	4.1	5.1	6.7
Occupied Housing Units	89.3	95.5	95.5	97.6	95.9	94.9	93.3
Owner Occupied	59.8	63.3	67.9	61.8	67.9	46.5	58.7
Renter Occupied	40.2	36.7	32.1	38.2	32.1	53.5	41.3

Source: 2000 Census, <http://factfinder.census.gov/>

**2000 Census Summary  
City of Atwater  
Housing Cost Characteristics**

	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME IN 1999</b>		
<b>Monthly Owner Costs as a Percentage of Household Income</b>		
Less than 15.0 percent	1,005	25.6
15.0 to 19.9 percent	655	16.7
20.0 to 24.9 percent	716	18.3
25.0 to 29.9 percent	516	13.2
30.0 to 34.9 percent	336	8.6
35.0 percent or more	673	17.2
<b>Gross Rent as a Percentage of Household Income</b>		
Less than 15.0 percent	507	17.5
15.0 to 19.9 percent	470	16.2
20.0 to 24.9 percent	309	10.7
25.0 to 29.9 percent	351	12.1
30.0 to 34.9 percent	263	9.1
35.0 percent or more	895	30.9

*Table DP-4: Profile of Selected Housing Characteristics*

**2000 Census Summary  
City of Dos Palos  
Housing Cost Characteristics**

	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME IN 1999</b>		
<b>Monthly Owner Costs as a Percentage of Household Income</b>		
Less than 15.0 percent	277	32.9
15.0 to 19.9 percent	155	18.4
20.0 to 24.9 percent	66	7.8
25.0 to 29.9 percent	74	8.8
30.0 to 34.9 percent	38	4.5
35.0 percent or more	224	26.6
<b>Gross Rent as a Percentage of Household Income</b>		
Less than 15.0 percent	151	28.3
15.0 to 19.9 percent	58	10.9
20.0 to 24.9 percent	53	9.9
25.0 to 29.9 percent	20	3.8
30.0 to 34.9 percent	21	3.9
35.0 percent or more	197	37.0

*Table DP-4: Profile of Selected Housing Characteristics*

**2000 Census Summary  
City of Gustine  
Housing Cost Characteristics**

	Number	Percentage
<b>PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME IN 1999</b>		
<b>Monthly Owner Costs as a Percentage of Household Income</b>		
Less than 15.0 percent	356	35.3
15.0 to 19.9 percent	176	17.5
20.0 to 24.9 percent	97	9.6
25.0 to 29.9 percent	94	9.3
30.0 to 34.9 percent	88	8.7
35.0 percent or more	188	18.7
<b>Gross Rent as a Percentage of Household Income</b>		
Less than 15.0 percent	103	19.9
15.0 to 19.9 percent	29	5.6
20.0 to 24.9 percent	93	18.0
25.0 to 29.9 percent	59	11.4
30.0 to 34.9 percent	14	2.7
35.0 percent or more	201	38.9

*Table DP-4: Profile of Selected Housing Characteristics*

**2000 Census Summary  
City of Livingston  
Housing Cost Characteristics**

	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME IN 1999</b>		
<b>Monthly Owner Costs as a Percentage of Household Income</b>		
Less than 15.0 percent	381	26.8
15.0 to 19.9 percent	191	13.5
20.0 to 24.9 percent	206	14.5
25.0 to 29.9 percent	179	12.6
30.0 to 34.9 percent	136	9.6
35.0 percent or more	307	21.6
<b>Gross Rent as a Percentage of Household Income</b>		
Less than 15.0 percent	110	12.3
15.0 to 19.9 percent	174	19.5
20.0 to 24.9 percent	120	13.5
25.0 to 29.9 percent	107	12.0
30.0 to 34.9 percent	83	9.3
35.0 percent or more	268	30.0

*Table DP-4: Profile of Selected Housing Characteristics*

**2000 Census Summary  
City of Los Banos  
Housing Cost Characteristics**

	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME IN 1999</b>		
<b>Monthly Owner Costs as a Percentage of Household Income</b>		
Less than 15.0 percent	1,190	24.0
15.0 to 19.9 percent	723	14.6
20.0 to 24.9 percent	733	14.8
25.0 to 29.9 percent	715	14.4
30.0 to 34.9 percent	402	8.1
35.0 percent or more	1,165	23.5
<b>Gross Rent as a Percentage of Household Income</b>		
Less than 15.0 percent	371	15.1
15.0 to 19.9 percent	408	16.6
20.0 to 24.9 percent	415	16.9
25.0 to 29.9 percent	285	11.6
30.0 to 34.9 percent	209	8.5
35.0 percent or more	621	25.3

*Table DP-4: Profile of Selected Housing Characteristics*

**2000 Census Summary  
City of Merced  
Housing Cost Characteristics**

	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME IN 1999</b>		
<b>Monthly Owner Costs as a Percentage of Household Income</b>		
Less than 15.0 percent	2,452	28.8
15.0 to 19.9 percent	1,344	15.8
20.0 to 24.9 percent	1,219	14.3
25.0 to 29.9 percent	891	10.4
30.0 to 34.9 percent	815	9.6
35.0 percent or more	1,762	20.7
<b>Gross Rent as a Percentage of Household Income</b>		
Less than 15.0 percent	1,602	14.6
15.0 to 19.9 percent	1,484	13.5
20.0 to 24.9 percent	1,357	12.3
25.0 to 29.9 percent	1,140	10.4
30.0 to 34.9 percent	918	8.3
35.0 percent or more	4,058	36.9

*Table DP-4: Profile of Selected Housing Characteristics*

**2000 Census Summary  
Merced County  
Housing Cost Characteristics**

	Number	Percentage
<b>PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME IN 1999</b>		
<b>Monthly Owner Costs as a Percentage of Household Income</b>		
Less than 15.0 percent	8,692	27.8
15.0 to 19.9 percent	4,709	15.1
20.0 to 24.9 percent	4,561	14.6
25.0 to 29.9 percent	3,784	12.1
30.0 to 34.9 percent	2,543	8.1
35.0 percent or more	6,741	21.6
<b>Gross Rent as a Percentage of Household Income</b>		
Less than 15.0 percent	3,972	15.9
15.0 to 19.9 percent	3,456	13.8
20.0 to 24.9 percent	3,158	12.6
25.0 to 29.9 percent	2,515	10.1
30.0 to 34.9 percent	1,882	7.5
35.0 percent or more	8,025	32.1

*Table DP-4: Profile of Selected Housing Characteristics*

**2000 Census Summary  
City of Atwater  
Housing Tenure Characteristics**

	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>TOTAL HOUSING UNITS IN 1999</b>	8,114	
<b>Occupied Housing Units</b>	7,247	
Owner-occupied housing units	4,334	59.8
Renter-occupied housing units	2,913	40.2
Homeowner vacancy rate		1.6
Rental vacancy rate		4.7
Average household size of owner occupied units	3.01	
Average household size of renter occupied units	3.37	
<b>Occupants Per Room</b>		
1.00 or less	5,907	81.7
1.01 to 1.50	524	7.3
1.51 or more	795	11.0

*Table DP-1: Profile of General Demographic Characteristics*

**2000 Census Summary  
City of Dos Palos  
Housing Tenure Characteristics**

	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>TOTAL HOUSING UNITS</b>	1,491	
<b>Occupied Housing Units</b>	1,424	
Owner-occupied housing units	901	63.3
Renter-occupied housing units	523	36.7
Homeowner vacancy rate		1.3
Rental vacancy rate		5.1
Average household size of owner occupied units	3.16	
Average household size of renter occupied units	3.26	
<b>Occupants Per Room</b>		
1.00 or less	1,150	80.5
1.01 to 1.50	128	9.0
1.51 or more	151	10.6

*Table DP-1: Profile of General Demographic Characteristics*

**2000 Census Summary  
City of Gustine  
Housing Tenure Characteristics**

	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>TOTAL HOUSING UNITS</b>	1,763	
<b>Occupied Housing Units</b>	1,683	
Owner-occupied housing units	1,143	67.9
Renter-occupied housing units	540	32.1
Homeowner vacancy rate		2.0
Rental vacancy rate		2.2
Average household size of owner occupied units	2.66	
Average household size of renter occupied units	3.07	
<b>Occupants Per Room</b>	1,700	
1.00 or less	1,471	86.5
1.01 to 1.50	81	4.8
1.51 or more	148	8.7

*Table DP-1: Profile of General Demographic Characteristics*

**2000 Census Summary  
City of Livingston  
Housing Tenure Characteristics**

	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>TOTAL HOUSING UNITS</b>	2449	
<b>Occupied Housing Units</b>	2390	
Owner-occupied housing units	1476	61.8
Renter-occupied housing units	914	38.2
Homeowner vacancy rate		0.9
Rental vacancy rate		1.8
Average household size of owner occupied units	4.38	
Average household size of renter occupied units	4.34	
<b>Occupants Per Room</b>	2,416	
1.00 or less	1,361	56.3
1.01 to 1.50	403	16.7
1.51 or more	652	27.0

*Table DP-1: Profile of General Demographic Characteristics*

**2000 Census Summary  
City of Los Banos  
Housing Tenure Characteristics**

	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>TOTAL HOUSING UNITS</b>	8,049	
<b>Occupied Housing Units</b>	7,721	
Owner-occupied housing units	5,242	67.9
Renter-occupied housing units	2,479	32.1
Homeowner vacancy rate		1.3
Rental vacancy rate		3.1
Average household size of owner occupied units	3.29	
Average household size of renter occupied units	3.40	
<b>Occupants Per Room</b>	<b>7,752</b>	
1.00 or less	6,462	83.4
1.01 to 1.50	651	8.4
1.51 or more	639	8.2

*Table DP-1: Profile of General Demographic Characteristics*

**2000 Census Summary  
City of Merced  
Housing Tenure Characteristics**

	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>TOTAL HOUSING UNITS</b>	21,532	
<b>Occupied Housing Units</b>	20,435	
Owner-occupied housing units	9,508	46.5
Renter-occupied housing units	10,927	53.5
Homeowner vacancy rate		1.6
Rental vacancy rate		5.1
Average household size of owner occupied units	2.93	
Average household size of renter occupied units	3.18	
<b>Occupants Per Room</b>	20,480	
1.00 or less	16,352	79.8
1.01 to 1.50	1,649	8.1
1.51 or more	2,479	12.1

*Table DP-1: Profile of General Demographic Characteristics*

**2000 Census Summary  
Merced County  
Housing Tenure Characteristics**

	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>TOTAL HOUSING UNITS</b>	68,373	
<b>Occupied Housing Units</b>	63,815	
Owner-occupied housing units	37,483	58.7
Renter-occupied housing units	26,332	41.3
Homeowner vacancy rate		1.4
Rental vacancy rate		4.2
Average household size of owner occupied units	3.14	
Average household size of renter occupied units	3.42	
<b>Occupants Per Room</b>	<b>63,815</b>	
1.00 or less	51,019	79.9
1.01 to 1.50	5,397	8.5
1.51 or more	7,399	11.6

*Table DP-1: Profile of General Demographic Characteristics*

**2000 Census Summary  
City of Atwater  
Housing Value Characteristics**

	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>Specified Owner Occupied Units</b>	3,919	
<b>VALUE</b>		
Less than \$50,000	12	0.3
\$50,000 to \$99,999	1,797	45.9
\$100,000 to \$149,999	1,833	46.8
\$150,000 to \$199,999	194	5.0
\$200,000 to \$299,999	59	1.5
\$300,000 to \$499,999	15	0.4
\$500,000 to \$999,999	-	-
\$1,000,000 or more	9	0.2
Median Value (dollars)	103,100	-
<b>Specified Renter Occupied Units</b>		
<b>GROSS RENT</b>		
Less than \$200	25	0.9
\$200 to \$299	127	4.4
\$300 to \$499	1,107	38.2
\$500 to \$749	1,097	37.8
\$750 to \$999	408	14.1
\$1000 to \$1499	75	2.6
\$1500 or more	-	-
No cash rent	62	2.1
Median Rent (dollars)	521	

**2000 Census Summary  
City of Dos Palos  
Housing Value Characteristics**

	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>Specified Owner Occupied Units</b>	843	
<b>VALUE</b>		
Less than \$50,000	9	1.1
\$50,000 to \$99,999	548	65.0
\$100,000 to \$149,999	191	22.7
\$150,000 to \$199,999	67	7.9
\$200,000 to \$299,999	20	2.4
\$300,000 to \$499,999	8	0.9
\$500,000 to \$999,999	-	-
\$1,000,000 or more	-	-
Median Value (dollars)	89,100	
<b>Specified Renter Occupied Units</b>	533	
<b>GROSS RENT</b>		
Less than \$200	25	4.7
\$200 to \$299	52	9.8
\$300 to \$499	161	30.2
\$500 to \$749	209	39.2
\$750 to \$999	49	9.2
\$1000 to \$1499	4	0.8
\$1500 or more	-	-
No cash rent	33	6.2
Median Rent (dollars)	510	

**2000 Census Summary  
City of Gustine  
Housing Value Characteristics**

	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>Specified Owner Occupied Units</b>	1,008	
<b>VALUE</b>		
Less than \$50,000	18	1.8
\$50,000 to \$99,999	350	34.7
\$100,000 to \$149,999	444	44.0
\$150,000 to \$199,999	111	11.0
\$200,000 to \$299,999	77	7.6
\$300,000 to \$499,999	8	0.8
\$500,000 to \$999,999	-	-
\$1,000,000 or more	-	-
Median Value (dollars)	114,100	
<b>Specified Renter Occupied Units</b>	517	
<b>GROSS RENT</b>		
Less than \$200	31	6.0
\$200 to \$299	72	13.9
\$300 to \$499	140	27.1
\$500 to \$749	195	37.7
\$750 to \$999	63	12.2
\$1000 to \$1499	9	1.7
\$1500 or more	-	-
No cash rent	7	1.4
Median Rent (dollars)	510	

**2000 Census Summary  
City of Livingston  
Housing Value Characteristics**

	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>Specified Owner Occupied Units</b>	1,419	
<b>VALUE</b>		
Less than \$50,000	25	1.8
\$50,000 to \$99,999	902	63.6
\$100,000 to \$149,999	430	30.3
\$150,000 to \$199,999	46	3.2
\$200,000 to \$299,999	16	1.1
\$300,000 to \$499,999	-	-
\$500,000 to \$999,999	-	-
\$1,000,000 or more	-	-
Median Value (dollars)	92,700	
<b>Specified Renter Occupied Units</b>	892	
<b>GROSS RENT</b>		
Less than \$200	33	3.7
\$200 to \$299	53	5.9
\$300 to \$499	257	28.8
\$500 to \$749	459	51.5
\$750 to \$999	47	5.3
\$1000 to \$1499	18	2.0
\$1500 or more	-	-
No cash rent	25	2.8
Median Rent (dollars)	538	

**2000 Census Summary  
City of Los Banos  
Housing Value Characteristics**

	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>Specified Owner Occupied Units</b>	4,953	
<b>VALUE</b>		
Less than \$50,000	93	1.9
\$50,000 to \$99,999	886	17.9
\$100,000 to \$149,999	1,945	39.3
\$150,000 to \$199,999	1,383	27.9
\$200,000 to \$299,999	587	11.9
\$300,000 to \$499,999	59	1.2
\$500,000 to \$999,999	-	-
\$1,000,000 or more	-	-
Median Value (dollars)	140,200	
<b>Specified Renter Occupied Units</b>	2,459	
<b>GROSS RENT</b>		
Less than \$200	164	6.7
\$200 to \$299	456	6.3
\$300 to \$499	611	24.8
\$500 to \$749	793	32.2
\$750 to \$999	403	16.4
\$1000 to \$1499	212	8.6
\$1500 or more	12	0.5
No cash rent	108	4.4
Median Rent (dollars)	562	

**2000 Census Summary  
City of Merced  
Housing Value Characteristics**

	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>Specified Owner Occupied Units</b>	8528	
<b>VALUE</b>		
Less than \$50,000	98	1.1
\$50,000 to \$99,999	3668	43.0
\$100,000 to \$149,999	3310	38.8
\$150,000 to \$199,999	1046	12.3
\$200,000 to \$299,999	318	3.7
\$300,000 to \$499,999	88	1.0
\$500,000 to \$999,999	-	-
\$1,000,000 or more	-	-
Median Value (dollars)	106,400	
<b>Specified Renter Occupied Units</b>	10,998	
<b>GROSS RENT</b>		
Less than \$200	205	1.9
\$200 to \$299	620	5.6
\$300 to \$499	4,347	39.5
\$500 to \$749	4,069	37.0
\$750 to \$999	1,050	9.5
\$1000 to \$1499	444	4.0
\$1500 or more	50	0.5
No cash rent	213	1.9
Median Rent (dollars)	509	

**2000 Census Summary  
Merced County  
Housing Value Characteristics**

	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percentage</b>
<b>Specified Owner Occupied Units</b>	31,231	
<b>VALUE</b>		
Less than \$50,000	587	1.9
\$50,000 to \$99,999	12,184	39.0
\$100,000 to \$149,999	10,067	35.4
\$150,000 to \$199,999	4,338	13.4
\$200,000 to \$299,999	2,186	7.0
\$300,000 to \$499,999	748	2.4
\$500,000 to \$999,999	109	0.3
\$1,000,000 or more	12	-
Median Value (dollars)	111,100	
<b>Specified Renter Occupied Units</b>	25,001	
<b>GROSS RENT</b>		
Less than \$200	673	2.7
\$200 to \$299	1,459	5.8
\$300 to \$499	8,655	34.6
\$500 to \$749	8,920	35.7
\$750 to \$999	2,718	10.9
\$1000 to \$1499	974	3.9
\$1500 or more	62	0.2
No cash rent	1,540	6.2
Median Rent (dollars)	518	

## 1997-2003 Data Summary Merced County Housing Construction Need

	Number
<b>TOTAL HOUSEHOLDS</b>	
Estimated Households in January 1997	62,317
Estimated Households in July 2003	71,536
Additional Household Demand	9,219
<b>OWNER OCCUPIED UNIT NEED</b>	
Estimated Occupied Owner Units in 2003	38,892
Ownership Vacancy Allowance	592
Total Ownership Units Required for 2003	39,485
<b>RENTER OCCUPIED UNIT NEED</b>	
Estimated Occupied Renter Units in 2003	32,644
Rental Vacancy Allowance	1,718
Total Renter Units Required for 2003	34,362

*Source: The State of California's Housing Markets 1990-1997, CA Department of Housing and Community Development, <http://housing.hcd.ca.gov/hpd/hrc/plan/shp/>*

# **PUBLIC SAFETY**

## 1994-1999 Data Summary

### Merced Countywide Comparison

#### Arrest Rates

		Number						% Change
		94	95	96	97	98	99	1994-1999
<b>ARREST RATES</b>								
Jurisdiction	Type							
<b>Atwater</b>	Misdemeanor	634	714	830	738	749	643	1%
	Felony	267	261	278	291	221	208	-22%
	Juvenile	570	470	493	514	577	457	-8%
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1471</b>	<b>1445</b>	<b>1601</b>	<b>1543</b>	<b>1547</b>	<b>1308</b>	<b>-11%</b>
<b>Dos Palos</b>	Misdemeanor	308	364	269	400	517	446	41%
	Felony	116	148	102	161	165	155	34%
	Juvenile	77	85	93	145	124	118	53%
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>501</b>	<b>597</b>	<b>464</b>	<b>706</b>	<b>806</b>	<b>719</b>	<b>44%</b>
<b>Gustine</b>	Misdemeanor	92	81	91	82	88	114	24%
	Felony	33	37	26	40	33	35	0%
	Juvenile	22	14	30	36	26	35	59%
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>158</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>184</b>	<b>25%</b>
<b>Livingston</b>	Misdemeanor	617	495	469	363	366	387	-38%
	Felony	153	157	166	118	145	116	-31%
	Juvenile	61	55	71	46	94	103	69%
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>831</b>	<b>707</b>	<b>706</b>	<b>527</b>	<b>605</b>	<b>606</b>	<b>-27%</b>
<b>Los Banos</b>	Misdemeanor	757	1078	1239	825	915	804	6%
	Felony	368	561	570	577	487	476	29%
	Juvenile	258	230	348	297	327	377	46%
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1383</b>	<b>1869</b>	<b>2157</b>	<b>1699</b>	<b>1729</b>	<b>1657</b>	<b>20%</b>
<b>Merced</b>	Misdemeanor	3463	3614	2842	3021	3146	3725	8%
	Felony	1362	1431	1182	1233	1150	1217	-11%
	Juvenile	2114	1933	1937	2001	1731	1627	-30%
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6939</b>	<b>6978</b>	<b>5961</b>	<b>6255</b>	<b>6027</b>	<b>6119</b>	<b>-12%</b>
<b>Merced County Sheriff</b>	Misdemeanor	967	892	1044	1297	1167	1185	23%
	Felony	587	612	537	847	648	675	15%
	Juvenile	320	368	504	729	576	603	88%
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1874</b>	<b>1872</b>	<b>2085</b>	<b>2873</b>	<b>2391</b>	<b>2463</b>	<b>31%</b>
<b>CHP</b>	Misdemeanor	1220	950	970	982	960	1010	-21%
	Felony	192	187	163	146	153	161	-19%
	Juvenile	54	45	51	40	34	19	-65%
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1466</b>	<b>1182</b>	<b>1184</b>	<b>1168</b>	<b>1147</b>	<b>1190</b>	<b>-23%</b>

Source: *California Criminal Justice Profile, Tables 15, 16 & 17, CA Department of Justice, Criminal Justice Statistics Center, <http://caag.state.ca.us/cjsc/pubs.htm>*

## 1994-1999 Data Summary

### Merced Countywide Comparisons

#### Crime Rates

		Number						% Change
CRIME RATES		94	95	96	97	98	99	1994-1999
Jurisdiction	Offense							
<b>Atwater</b>	Homicide	1	0	0	2	2	3	200%
	Rape	5	11	6	3	7	7	40%
	Robbery	21	29	25	19	27	24	14%
	Aggravated Assault	139	162	156	155	183	161	16%
	Burglary	423	419	454	503	503	444	5%
	Theft	709	685	540	463	435	473	-33%
	Vehicle Theft	161	131	101	129	105	101	-37%
<b>Dos Palos</b>	Homicide	0	0	0	0	0	0	0%
	Rape	0	0	2	2	6	4	>
	Robbery	5	1	4	5	3	6	20%
	Aggravated Assault	116	134	65	109	92	135	14%
	Burglary	63	52	110	67	64	74	15%
	Theft	168	138	111	89	131	127	-24%
	Vehicle Theft	17	26	9	10	10	6	-65%
<b>Gustine</b>	Homicide	0	0	0	0	0	0	0%
	Rape	0	0	0	2	1	1	>
	Robbery	3	2	1	1	1	0	-100%
	Aggravated Assault	5	13	7	16	9	3	-40%
	Burglary	48	54	37	54	41	22	-54%
	Theft	107	100	85	98	67	91	-15%
	Vehicle Theft	13	16	12	15	10	4	-70%
<b>Livingston</b>	Homicide	1	0	1	1	0	1	0%
	Rape	2	3	1	2	3	12	600%
	Robbery	0	13	8	8	5	5	>
	Aggravated Assault	44	70	64	71	52	54	19%
	Burglary	119	92	150	139	99	80	-33%
	Theft	175	194	153	140	139	107	-39%
	Vehicle Theft	44	39	71	42	51	31	-30%
<b>Los Banos</b>	Homicide	0	1	0	2	1	1	>
	Rape	5	12	12	12	13	9	80%
	Robbery	15	11	14	15	7	12	-20%
	Aggravated Assault	165	80	83	47	69	73	-56%
	Burglary	272	391	220	161	136	129	-53%
	Theft	650	674	463	425	481	343	-47%
	Vehicle Theft	81	73	42	44	42	36	-56%
<b>Merced</b>	Homicide	3	2	3	6	5	5	66%
	Rape	25	27	25	31	22	17	-32%
	Robbery	118	140	132	131	147	120	2%
	Aggravated Assault	156	360	404	359	273	298	91%
	Burglary	1333	1097	889	915	956	754	-44%
	Theft	2092	2394	3035	3279	2747	2567	23%
	Vehicle Theft	663	514	436	479	373	308	-54%

Source: *California Criminal Justice Profile, Table 11, CA Department of Justice, Criminal Justice Statistics Center, <http://caag.state.ca.us/cjsc/pubs.htm>*

**1990-1999 Data Summary**  
**Merced County**  
**Drug Arrests**

	NUMBER OF DRUG ARRESTS	% ANNUAL CHANGE
<b>YEAR</b>		
1990	732	-
1991	578	-21.0
1992	886	53.3
1993	1,136	28.2
1994	1,286	13.2
1995	1,663	29.3
1996	1,735	4.3
1997	1,714	-1.2
1998	1,662	-3.0
1999	1,622	-2.4
<b>% Change 1990-1999</b>	-	<b>121.6</b>

*Source: California Criminal Justice Profile, Table 16, CA Department of Justice, Criminal Justice Statistics Center*

**1994-1999 Data Summary**  
**Merced Countywide Comparison**  
**Rates of Driving Under the Influence**

DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE	Number						% Change
	94	95	96	97	98	99	1994-1999
<b>Arrests by Jurisdiction</b>							
Atwater	100	143	170	107	115	102	2%
Dos Palos	49	54	60	62	99	49	0%
Gustine	30	26	39	25	26	24	-20%
Livingston	175	159	214	174	161	165	-6%
Los Banos	153	265	353	164	191	149	-3%
Merced	485	609	373	340	389	420	-13%
Merced County Sheriff	24	15	9	5	3	7	-71%
CHP	1040	816	855	880	841	887	-15%

*Source: California Criminal Justice Profile, Table 16, CA Department of Justice, Criminal Justice Statistics Center*

## 2001 Data Summary Merced Countywide Comparison FBI Crime Index

	Homicide	Rape	Robbery	Aggravated Assault	Burglary	Motor Vehicle Theft	Larceny- theft	Arson	<b>Total</b>
<b>JURISDICTION</b>									
Atwater	1	5	20	215	266	94	509	8	<b>1,118</b>
Dos Palos	0	1	1	48	53	16	82	0	<b>201</b>
Gustine	0	1	1	13	33	10	69	1	<b>128</b>
Livingston	0	7	3	53	81	38	130	0	<b>312</b>
Los Banos	0	7	4	108	107	86	416	0	<b>728</b>
Merced	2	25	111	239	653	377	2,747	48	<b>4,202</b>
Sheriff's Dept.	2	21	35	396	864	14	1,028	17	<b>2,377</b>
CHP	0	0	1	0	0	365	63	0	<b>429</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>176</b>	<b>1,072</b>	<b>2,057</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>5,044</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>9,495</b>

Source: *California Criminal Justice Profile, Table 11, CA Department of Justice, Criminal Justice Statistics Center*

# 1989-1998 Data Summary

## Merced County

### Juvenile Crime

	Number										% Change
	89	90	91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	1989-1998
<b>JUVENILE ARRESTS BY OFFENSE</b>											
<b>Offense</b>											
Homicide	2	0	2	1	5	0	6	0	3	7	250%
Forcible Rape	1	5	1	4	5	1	2	7	5	15	1400%
Robbery	24	16	19	31	33	35	33	36	43	26	8%
Assault	60	72	101	120	161	125	146	181	182	197	328%
Kidnapping	6	0	2	1	0	1	5	1	0	0	<
Burglary	343	333	373	353	406	348	264	354	359	321	-6%
Theft	98	104	102	138	130	108	137	114	177	96	-2%
Motor Vehicle Theft	69	65	48	71	97	131	101	77	78	62	-10%
Forgery	12	9	8	8	5	12	5	18	9	12	0%
Arson	4	29	28	17	7	12	10	10	30	13	69%
Narcotics	23	15	14	19	46	33	14	4	7	10	-57%
Marijuana	12	2	3	3	11	14	13	25	14	27	125%
Dangerous Drugs	3	2	2	2	12	14	23	14	23	23	666%
Other Drug Offenses	0	0	2	1	1	2	0	2	1	1	>
Lewd or Lascivious Behavior	12	7	5	7	4	12	9	8	15	14	17%
Other Sex Offenses	9	2	11	7	14	6	7	11	11	20	122%
Weapons	34	55	47	46	79	95	78	69	103	87	156%
Driving Under the Influence	1	2	3	1	5	1	0	1	2	3	200%
Hit-And-Run	2	1	4	3	5	1	1	2	1	0	<
Escape	0	3	2	0	3	0	0	2	0	0	0%
Bookmaking	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0%
Other	16	17	14	20	39	37	38	33	58	62	287%

Source: *California Criminal Justice Profile, Table 3C, CA Department of Justice, Criminal Justice Statistics Center, <http://caag.state.ca.us/cjsc/pubs.htm>*

## 2001 Data Summary Merced Countywide Comparison Juvenile Crime by Gender

	Number of Offenses									
	Homicide	Rape	Robbery	Assault	Burglary	Theft	Motor Vehicle Theft	Drugs	Other	TOTAL
<b>JURISDICTION</b>										
<b>Atwater</b>	1	0	2	29	24	9	2	9	42	<b>118</b>
Male	1	0	1	19	21	9	2	7	38	<b>98</b>
Female	0	0	1	10	3	0	0	2	4	<b>20</b>
<b>Dos Palos</b>	0	0	0	6	2	0	0	2	2	<b>12</b>
Male	0	0	0	3	1	0	0	2	1	<b>7</b>
Female	0	0	0	3	1	0	0	0	1	<b>5</b>
<b>Gustine</b>	0	1	0	6	0	0	0	2	1	<b>10</b>
Male	0	1	0	6	0	0	0	2	1	<b>10</b>
Female	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>0</b>
<b>Livingston</b>	0	0	1	17	4	2	6	1	9	<b>40</b>
Male	0	0	1	16	4	1	6	1	6	<b>35</b>
Female	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	3	<b>5</b>
<b>Los Banos</b>	0	0	3	33	18	18	18	10	35	<b>135</b>
Male	0	0	3	20	17	15	14	9	30	<b>108</b>
Female	0	0	0	13	1	3	4	1	5	<b>37</b>
<b>Merced</b>	0	1	14	72	129	50	20	30	74	<b>390</b>
Male	0	1	12	57	108	45	16	23	66	<b>328</b>
Female	0	0	2	15	21	5	4	7	8	<b>62</b>
<b>Sheriff's Dept.</b>	0	0	4	34	37	18	3	13	42	<b>151</b>
Male	0	0	3	28	34	18	2	11	34	<b>130</b>
Female	0	0	1	6	3	0	1	2	8	<b>21</b>
<b>CHP</b>	0	0	0	2	0	0	14	1	1	<b>18</b>
Male	0	0	0	2	0	0	11	1	1	<b>15</b>
Female	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	<b>3</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	1	2	24	199	214	97	63	68	206	<b>874</b>
Male	1	2	20	151	185	88	51	56	177	<b>731</b>
Female	0	0	4	48	29	9	12	12	29	<b>143</b>

Source: *California Criminal Justice Profile, Table 17, CA Department of Justice, Criminal Justice Statistics Center, <http://caag.state.ca.us/cjsc/pubs.htm>*

## 1995-1998 Data Summary Merced Countywide Comparison Traffic Collision Rates

VEHICLE COLLISIONS		Number			
		1995	1996	1997	1998
<b>Jurisdiction</b>	<b>Type</b>				
<b>Atwater</b>	Fatal	0	1	1	0
	Injury	76	60	80	67
	Non-Injury	217	155	182	203
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>293</b>	<b>216</b>	<b>263</b>	<b>270</b>
<b>Dos Palos</b>	Fatal	0	0	0	0
	Injury	5	4	4	8
	Non-Injury	13	15	17	34
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>42</b>
<b>Gustine</b>	Fatal	0	1	0	0
	Injury	10	9	10	9
	Non-Injury	25	39	28	24
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>33</b>
<b>Livingston</b>	Fatal	0	0	0	0
	Injury	31	28	27	21
	Non-Injury	89	105	60	62
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>133</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>83</b>
<b>Los Banos</b>	Fatal	2	1	2	3
	Injury	117	100	94	95
	Non-Injury	210	232	122	134
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>329</b>	<b>333</b>	<b>218</b>	<b>232</b>
<b>Merced</b>	Fatal	8	4	6	5
	Injury	497	505	467	476
	Non-Injury	816	848	865	852
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,321</b>	<b>1,357</b>	<b>1,338</b>	<b>1,333</b>
<b>Unincorporated Merced County Roadways</b>	Fatal	20	14	11	14
	Injury	311	295	288	299
	Non-Injury	604	512	478	577
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>935</b>	<b>821</b>	<b>777</b>	<b>890</b>
<b>Unincorporated State Hwys</b>	Fatal	22	23	23	24
	Injury	335	335	350	328
	Non-Injury	508	530	489	554
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>865</b>	<b>888</b>	<b>862</b>	<b>906</b>

Source: California Highway Patrol, Statewide Integrated Traffic Reporting System (SWITRS), Table 8A, <http://www.chp.ca.gov/html/switrs>

## 1999-2002 Data Summary Merced Countywide Comparison Traffic Collision Rates

VEHICLE COLLISIONS		Number			
		1999	2000	2001	2002
<b>Jurisdiction</b>	<b>Type</b>				
<b>Atwater</b>	Fatal	2	1	2	2
	Injury	65	68	95	111
	Non-Injury	194	198	247	275
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>261</b>	<b>267</b>	<b>344</b>	<b>388</b>
<b>Dos Palos</b>	Fatal	0	0	0	0
	Injury	2	7	8	7
	Non-Injury	11	20	13	23
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>30</b>
<b>Gustine</b>	Fatal	0	0	0	0
	Injury	9	8	4	15
	Non-Injury	29	15	20	30
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>45</b>
<b>Livingston</b>	Fatal	1	1	0	0
	Injury	6	26	26	12
	Non-Injury	38	57	71	83
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>95</b>
<b>Los Banos</b>	Fatal	1	0	1	0
	Injury	78	98	117	120
	Non-Injury	157	247	235	253
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>236</b>	<b>345</b>	<b>353</b>	<b>373</b>
<b>Merced</b>	Fatal	4	5	5	5
	Injury	502	479	624	594
	Non-Injury	774	819	991	1,127
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,280</b>	<b>1,303</b>	<b>1,620</b>	<b>1,726</b>
<b>Unincorporated Merced County Roadways</b>	Fatal	11	17	23	15
	Injury	315	291	251	279
	Non-Injury	629	651	704	713
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>955</b>	<b>959</b>	<b>978</b>	<b>1,007</b>
<b>Unincorporated State Hwys</b>	Fatal	19	24	31	30
	Injury	371	349	308	366
	Non-Injury	564	610	722	728
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>954</b>	<b>983</b>	<b>1,061</b>	<b>1,124</b>

Source: California Highway Patrol, Statewide Integrated Traffic Reporting System (SWITRS), Table 8A, <http://www.chp.ca.gov/html/switrs>

## 1995-1999 Data Summary Merced County Alcohol Involved Collisions

	Number					Percent Change
	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	1995-1999
<b>ALCOHOL INVOLVED COLLISIONS</b>						
Fatal	12	15	12	12	8	-33%
Injury	157	175	140	157	152	-3%

Source: California Highway Patrol, Statewide Integrated Traffic Reporting System (SWITRS), Table 5C,  
<http://www.chp.ca.gov/html/switrs>

# 1995-2000 Data Summary

## Merced County

### School Safety

<b>CRIME RATES OF SCHOOL DISTRICTS WITH MORE THAN 999 STUDENTS</b>								
<b>Statewide</b>								
	<b>Number of Incidents per 1,000 Students</b>							
	Drug/ Alcohol	Battery	Assault w/ Deadly Weapon	Robbery/ Extortion	Sex Offenses	Possession of Weapon	Property Crimes	Loss to District per Student
95-96	3.77	3.31	0.35	0.27	0.16	1.22	4.96	\$4.15
96-97	3.54	3.09	0.41	0.23	0.18	1.10	4.58	4.02
97-98	3.56	3.00	0.37	0.21	0.16	1.23	4.48	2.93
98-99	3.93	3.27	0.35	0.21	0.19	1.29	4.12	4.33
99-00	4.03	3.88	0.35	0.21	0.26	1.14	4.28	4.01
<b>Merced County</b>								
	<b>Number of Incidents per 1,000 Students</b>							
	Drug/ Alcohol	Battery	Assault w/ Deadly Weapon	Robbery/ Extortion	Sex Offenses	Possession of Weapon	Property Crimes	Loss to District per Student
95-96	4.32	6.09	0.29	0.13	0.13	0.95	5.86	2.10
96-97	3.17	5.24	0.46	0.15	0.29	0.97	5.72	1.91
97-98	2.65	4.63	0.39	0.12	0.26	0.96	5.22	13.17
98-99	3.08	4.36	0.20	0.04	0.08	1.09	3.82	1.43
99-00	4.53	7.73	0.42	0.10	0.32	1.31	3.56	1.74

*Source: California Safe Schools Assessment 1999-2000, California Department of Education  
<http://www.cde.ca.gov/spbranch/safety/cssa2000.pdf>*