

Appendix 3

Population, Characteristics, Comparisons and Trends

Luna Pier is a community of about 1,500 people and it is not projected to grow rapidly in the future. One interesting fact is that in many ways, Luna Pier mirrors the State as a whole in terms of characteristics such as age distribution and household composition. One area where Luna Pier is less like the State of Michigan as a whole is that it is much less racially diverse. Unless otherwise noted, all estimates and projections were obtained by Nielsen Claritas (a leading provider of demographic data, marketing software, and databases of consumer behavior).

Population

Population	Luna Pier	Michigan
2013 Projection	1,589	10,167,120
2008 Estimate	1,581	10,104,615
2000 Census	1,483	9,938,444
1990 Census	1,507	9,295,297
Growth 2008-2013	0.51%	0.62%
Growth 2000-2008	6.61%	1.67%
Growth 1990-2000	-1.59%	6.92%

2008 Estimated Population by Single Race Classification

	Luna Pier (%)	Michigan (%)
White Alone	1,493 (94.43%)	7,986,789 (79.04%)
Black or African American Alone	5 (0.32%)	1,429,065 (14.14%)
American Indian/Alaska Native Alone	14 (0.89%)	59,810 (0.59%)
Asian Alone	0 (0.00%)	241,361 (2.39%)
Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander Alone	0 (0.00%)	3,289 (0.03%)
Some Other Race Alone	25 (1.58%)	159,157 (1.58%)
Two or More Races	44 (2.78%)	225,144 (2.23%)

2008 Estimated Population by Sex

	Luna Pier (%)	Michigan (%)
Male	784 (49.59%)	4,975,667 (49.24%)
Female	797 (50.41%)	5,128,948 (50.76%)
Male/Female Ratio	0.98	0.97

2008 Estimated Population by Age	Luna Pier (%)	Michigan (%)
Age 0 - 4	96 (6.07%)	639,782 (6.33%)
Age 5 - 9	109 (6.89%)	652,352 (6.46%)
Age 10 - 14	119 (7.53%)	697,926 (6.91%)
Age 15 - 17	85 (5.38%)	449,716 (4.45%)
Age 18 - 20	62 (3.92%)	450,563 (4.46%)
Age 21 - 24	80 (5.06%)	551,811 (5.46%)
Age 25 - 34	190 (12.02%)	1,268,515 (12.55%)
Age 35 - 44	216 (13.66%)	1,412,516 (13.98%)
Age 45 - 49	153 (9.68%)	781,793 (7.74%)
Age 50 - 54	130 (8.22%)	741,904 (7.34%)
Age 55 - 59	108 (6.83%)	658,107 (6.51%)
Age 60 - 64	78 (4.93%)	506,588 (5.01%)
Age 65 - 74	90 (5.69%)	669,429 (6.62%)
Age 75 - 84	49 (3.10%)	441,224 (4.37%)
Age 85 and over	16 (1.01%)	182,389 (1.81%)
Age 16 and over	1,234 (78.05%)	7,961,932 (78.80%)
2008 Est. Median Age	37.30	37.42
2008 Est. Average Age	36.82	37.85

2008 Estimated Population Age 15+ by Marital Status

	Luna Pier (%)	Michigan (%)
Total, Never Married	290 (23.07%)	2,203,701 (27.16%)
Married, Spouse present	672 (53.46%)	4,274,321 (52.67%)
Married, Spouse absent	42 (3.34%)	297,265 (3.66%)
Widowed	95 (7.56%)	521,350 (6.42%)
Divorced	158 (12.57%)	817,918 (10.08%)



2008 Estimated Population Age 25+ by Educational Attainment

	Luna Pier (%)	Michigan (%)
Less than 9th grade	49 (4.76%)	304,319 (4.57%)
Some High School, no diploma	207 (20.10%)	775,445 (11.64%)
High School Graduate (or GED)	361 (35.05%)	2,083,717 (31.28%)
Some College, no degree	271 (26.31%)	1,558,881 (23.40%)
Associate Degree	59 (5.73%)	471,165 (7.07%)
Bachelor's Degree	61 (5.92%)	926,321 (13.90%)
Masters Degree	13 (1.26%)	382,417 (5.74%)
Professional School Degree	8 (0.78%)	108,168 (1.62%)
Doctorate Degree	1 (0.10%)	52,032 (0.78%)

Households

	Luna Pier	Michigan
2013 Projection	665	3,985,170
2008 Estimate	649	3,916,061
2000 Census	592	3,785,661
1990 Census	526	3,419,331
Growth 2008-2013	2.47%	1.76%
Growth 2000-2008	9.63%	3.44%
Growth 1990-2000	12.55%	10.71%

2008 Estimated Households by Household Size

	Luna Pier (%)	Michigan (%)
1-person household	195 (30.05%)	1,067,471 (27.26%)
2-person household	201 (30.97%)	1,286,010 (32.84%)
3-person household	106 (16.33%)	642,288 (16.40%)
4-person household	90 (13.87%)	544,503 (13.90%)
5-person household	40 (6.16%)	242,849 (6.20%)
6-person household	14 (2.16%)	87,694 (2.24%)
7 or more person household	3 (0.46%)	45,246 (1.16%)

2008 Est. Average Household Size	2.44	2.51
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Declining Household Sizes

Related to the issue of an aging population is the fact that household sizes have declined in Luna Pier. Nationally, there have been huge decreases in the size of the average household. This shrinking household size has had important impacts on communities in terms of housing demand and public services. The average U.S. household is nearly half the size it was in 1900. In 1900, nearly half of the U.S. population lived in households of six or more people; by 2000, more than half lived in households of one, two, or three people. Social trends such as divorce, choices to have fewer children and delayed marriages are some reasons for steadily declining household sizes. Declines in household sizes translate into stable or declining community populations unless new residential construction is significant enough to compensate for the fact that fewer people reside in each housing unit. As shown previously, the average household in Luna Pier is now less than 2.5 persons.

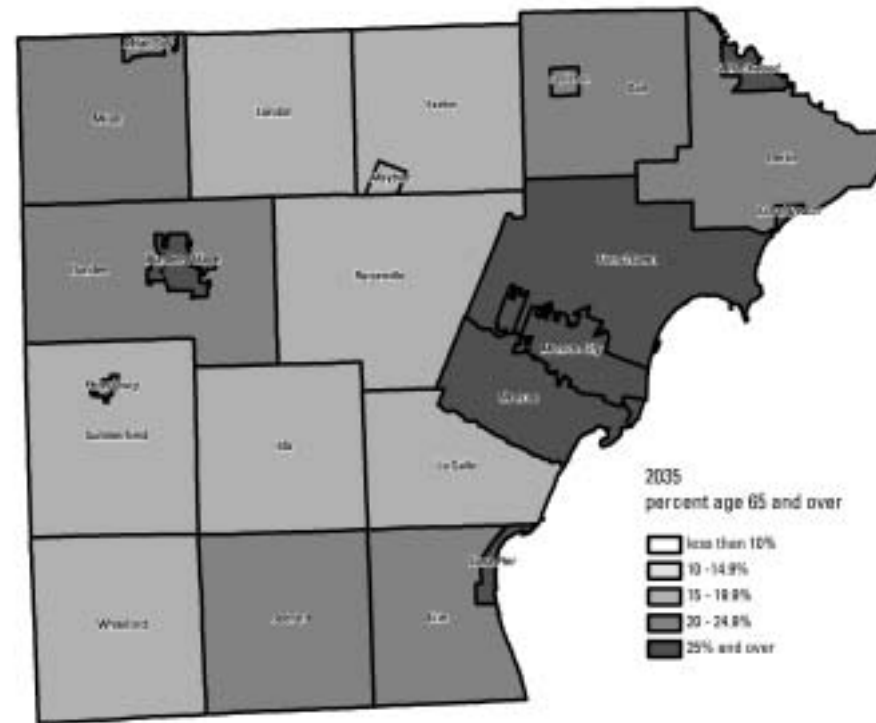
Aging Population Trend

Apart from general growth trends, how the characteristics of the resident population will change in the future is a key planning issue. New 2010 census data will not be available for some time, but absent these actual numbers, we do know that the demographic makeup of Luna Pier is changing, and those changes have huge implications for how Luna Pier will look and function in the future. Most notably, Luna Pier will be collectively a much older community in the future as a result of many factors. According to projections provided by the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG) that were published in December of 2009, the number of residents 65 years old and older will increase by threefold by the year 2035. In fact in 2035, one resident in four will be 65 years old or older. This local trend mirrors national trends and has many implications for the City, as people at different points in their lives look for different things from their community and contributes to community endeavors in different ways.



AgeGroup	Census 2000	SEMCOG 2035	Change 2000-2035
65+	136	400	+264
35-64	637	574	-63
18-34	277	272	-5
5-17	323	240	-83
Under 5	110	89	-21

Other areas in Monroe County are also projected to be places where more than one out of four residents will be 65 years old or older in the year 2035



Regional Growth

Historically, Monroe County has been a growth area, while Lucas County in Ohio has declined in population in recent years. The US Census Bureau estimates that Monroe County grew from 145,945 people in 2000 to 152,949 in 2008. Conversely, the Census Bureau estimates that Lucas County has declined from 455,054 residents in 2000 to an estimated 440,456 residents in 2008.

