



# RACINE COUNTY MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL COMPREHENSIVE PLAN SUMMARY SHEET

## Population, Household & Employment Projections (Multi-Jurisdictional Comprehensive Plan Preliminary Draft Chapter VII)

The future demand for land, housing, transportation facilities and services, and other community facilities is tied directly to future population, household, and employment levels in the County. Therefore, developing projections of the number of people, households, and jobs for the year 2035 is an essential step of the planning process.

### County-Level Projections

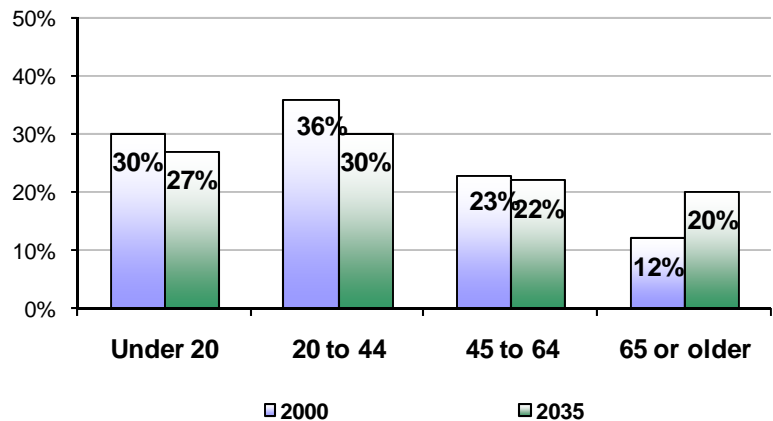
In 2004, the Southeastern Wisconsin Regional Planning Commission (SEWRPC) prepared a set of projections for the Region and its seven counties for the 2035 regional land use plan. Each set included a range of projections: low, intermediate, and high—with the intermediate projection being the most likely to be realized. The intermediate projection for the Region indicates there will be relative stability in birth rates and migration patterns, and that overall, the economy is not likely to significantly increase or decrease in strength relative to other areas of the State or Nation.

In Racine County, SEWRPC's intermediate projection indicates a population increase of 24,800 persons, or 13%, growing from 188,800 persons in 2000 to 213,600 persons in 2035. This projection includes a change in age composition, with a general shift towards an older population as the baby-boom generation ages. In particular, an 86% increase is projected in the population of persons age 65 or older, and they will constitute 20% of the County's overall population (compared to 12% in 2000). Changes in age composition are likely to have a wide range of impacts on the community and economy, from housing needs to labor force.

The average household size in Racine County is projected to decrease about 5%, from 2.59 persons in 2000 to 2.46 in 2035. Under the intermediate projection, the number of households in the County would increase by 13,200 (or 19%), from 70,800 households in 2000 to 84,000 households in 2035.

Under SEWRPC's intermediate projection, the total employment in Racine County would increase by 12,200 jobs, or 13%, from 94,400 jobs in 2000 to 106,600 jobs in 2035.

**ACTUAL AND PROJECTED AGE COMPOSITION IN RACINE COUNTY:  
2000 AND 2035**



*Source: US Bureau of the Census and SEWRPC*

**SEWRPC PROJECTION OF EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY GROUP FOR  
RACINE COUNTY: 2000—2035 (INTERMEDIATE PROJECTION)**

GENERAL INDUSTRY GROUP	ACTUAL 2000		PROJECTED 2035		PROJECTED CHANGE: 2000—2035	
	JOBS	PERCENT OF TOTAL	JOBS	PERCENT OF TOTAL	NUMBER	PERCENT
Industrial <sup>a</sup>	32,700	34.6	28,900	27.1	-3,800	-11.6
Retail	16,300	17.3	16,500	15.5	200	1.2
Services <sup>b</sup>	31,400	33.3	47,400	44.5	16,000	51.0
Transportation, Communication & Utilities	2,900	3.1	2,700	2.5	-200	-6.9
Governmental <sup>c</sup>	9,100	9.6	9,200	8.6	100	1.1
Other <sup>d</sup>	2,000	2.1	1,900	1.8	-100	-5.0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>94,400</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>106,600</b>	<b>100.0</b>	<b>12,200</b>	<b>12.9</b>

<sup>a</sup> Includes manufacturing, wholesale trade, and construction.

<sup>b</sup> Includes all service employment, including business, health, social, and other services.

<sup>c</sup> Includes all government employment and public education.

<sup>d</sup> Includes agriculture, agricultural services, forestry, and mining.

*Source: SEWRPC*

# COMMUNITY PROJECTIONS

For the comprehensive planning effort, two alternative projection sets (including population, household, and employment) were prepared for each local government—one based on SEWRPC's 2035 regional land use plan and the second based on population and employment trends in each community between 1980 and 2006. Every city, village, and town was asked to select its own set of projections for use in preparing local components of the plan.

As shown in the table below, the community-selected projections combine for a total of 224,300 persons (an approximate 19% increase over the 2000 population level) and 115,100 jobs (an approximate 22% increase) in Racine County by the year 2035. It should be noted that the City of Racine forecasted the same number of jobs in 2035 as existed in 2000; this would represent a substantial recovery from the reduced job levels of the early 2000s.

**COMMUNITY-LEVEL PROJECTIONS TO BE USED IN THE RACINE COUNTY MULTI-JURISDICTIONAL COMPREHENSIVE PLAN: 2035**

COMMUNITY	TOTAL HOUSEHOLDS				TOTAL POPULATION				TOTAL EMPLOYMENT			
	ACTUAL 2000	PROJECTED 2035	CHANGE		ACTUAL 2000	PROJECTED 2035	CHANGE		ACTUAL 2000	PROJECTED 2035	CHANGE	
			#	%			#	%			#	%
<b>CITIES</b>												
BURLINGTON	3,838	4,832	994	25.6	9,936	11,867	1,931	19.4	8,800	11,200	2,400	27.3
RACINE	31,449	32,366	917	2.9	81,855	80,514	-1,341	-1.6	44,200	44,200	—	—
<b>VILLAGES</b>												
CALEDONIA	8,549	11,731	3,182	37.2	23,614	30,342	6,728	28.5	5,900	10,600	4,700	79.7
ELMWOOD PARK	200	201	1	0.5	474	450	-24	-5.1	100	100	—	—
MT. PLEASANT	9,453	14,800	5,347	56.6	23,142	35,000	11,858	51.2	17,300	22,000	4,700	27.2
NORTH BAY	97 <sup>a</sup>	97	0	0.0	264	260	-4	-0.2	— <sup>b</sup>	—	—	—
ROCHESTER <sup>c</sup>	1,192	1,842	650	54.5	3,403	4,934	1,531	45.0	600	1,000	400	66.7
STURTEVANT	1,477	2,135	658	44.5	5,287	7,116	1,829	34.6	4,400	6,200	1,800	40.9
UNION GROVE	1,631	2,717	1,086	66.6	4,322	7,015	2,693	62.3	2,300	3,600	1,300	56.5
WATERFORD	1,561	2,289	728	46.6	4,048	5,700	1,652	40.8	2,000	3,100	1,100	55.0
WIND POINT	736	761	25	3.4	1,853	1,812	-41	-2.2	300	300	—	—
<b>TOWNS</b>												
BURLINGTON	2,354	2,854	500	21.2	6,384	7,384	979	15.3	1,100	1,800	700	63.6
DOVER	1,193	1,829	636	55.3	3,908	5,417	1,509	38.6	2,000	2,400	400	20.0
NORWAY	2,641	3,074	433	16.4	7,600	8,391	791	10.4	1,000	1,700	700	70.0
RAYMOND	1,245	1,745	500	40.2	3,516	4,694	1,178	33.5	1,300	2,000	700	53.8
WATERFORD	2,086	3,741	1,655	79.3	5,938	10,101	4,163	70.0	800	1,200	400	50.0
YORKVILLE	1,123	1,213	90	8.0	3,291	3,401	110	3.3	2,300	3,700	1,400	60.9
<b>RACINE COUNTY</b>	<b>70,825</b>	<b>88,227</b>	<b>17,402</b>	<b>24.6</b>	<b>188,835</b>	<b>244,377</b>	<b>35,542</b>	<b>18.8</b>	<b>94,400</b>	<b>115,100</b>	<b>20,700</b>	<b>21.9</b>

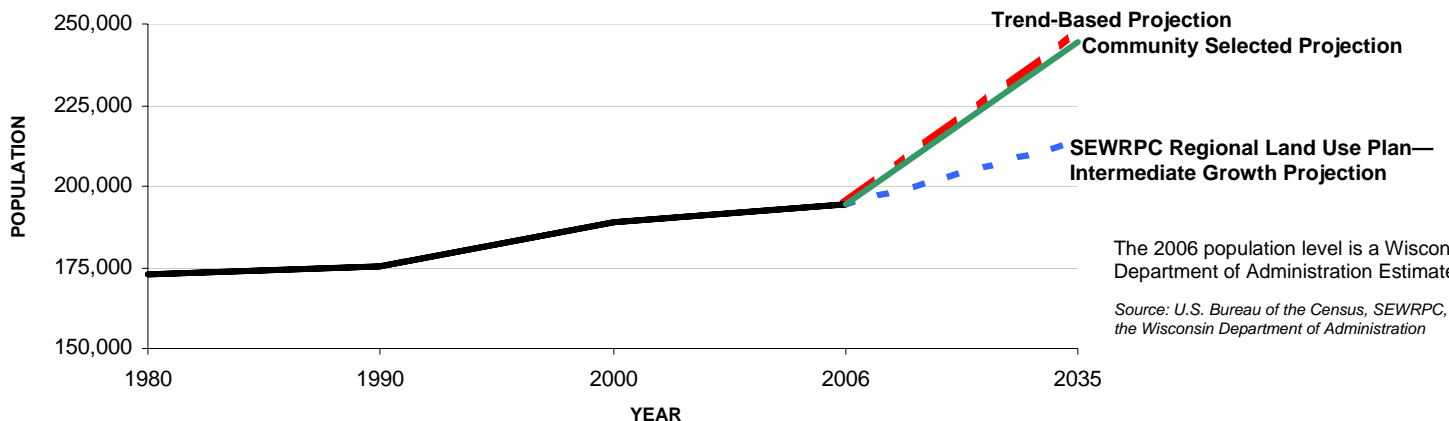
<sup>a</sup> While data from the US Census Bureau reports that there were 91 households and 95 housing units in the Village of North Bay in 2000, there are actually 97 housing units in the Village. Consequently, Village officials requested that, for the purposes of this analysis, the number of households in the Village should be 97.

<sup>b</sup> Less than 50.

<sup>c</sup> The Town and Village of Rochester were consolidated as the Village of Rochester in December 2008. Consequently, the community-level projections selected by the original Village and Town of Rochester have been combined in this table.

Source: US Bureau of the Census and SEWRPC

**ALTERNATIVE POPULATION PROJECTIONS FOR RACINE COUNTY**



The 2006 population level is a Wisconsin Department of Administration Estimate.

Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, SEWRPC, and the Wisconsin Department of Administration