

Texas leads in population growth

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Fastest-Growing States

[July 1, 2005 cq to July 1, 2006 cq](#)

State, Percent Change

1. Arizona, 3.6 cq
2. Nevada, 3.5 cq
3. Idaho, 2.6 cq
4. Georgia, 2.5 cq
5. Texas, 2.5 cq

Top Numeric Gainers

[July 1, 2005 cq to July 1, 2006 cq](#)

State, Total Population Change

1. Texas, 579,275 cq
2. Florida, 321,697 cq
3. California, 303,402 cq
4. Georgia, 231,388 cq
5. Arizona, 213,311 cq

Annual estimates of the components of population change for Texas

Where'd they come from?

[July 1, 2004 cq to July 1, 2005 cq](#)

Total population change: 388,419 cq

Natural increase: 227,906 cq

International migration: 109,467 cq

Domestic migration: 51,067 cq

[July 1, 2005 cq to July 1, 2006 cq](#)

Total Population Change: 579,275 cq

Natural Increase*: 235,558 cq

International Migration: 125,770 cq

Domestic Migration: 218,745 cq

[July 1, 2004 cq to July 1, 2005 cq](#)

Total Population Change: 388,419 cq

Natural Increase:

Total: 227,906 cq

Births: 381,828 cq

Deaths: 153,922 cq

Net Migration:

Total: 160,534 cq

Net International Migration: 109,467 cq

Net Domestic Migration: 51,067 cq

July 1, 2005 cq to July 1, 2006 cq

Total Population Change: 579,275 cq

Natural Increase:

Total: 235,558 cq

Births: 393,114 cq

Deaths: 157,556 cq

Net Migration:

Total: 344,515 cq

Net International Migration: 125,770 cq

Net Domestic Migration: 218,745 cq

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

- Texas gained 579,275 people, more than any other state, and Texas is the fifth fastest-growing state in the nation between July 1, 2005 and July 1, 2006, according to the U.S. Census Bureau. That brings the state to an estimated total of 23.5 million

- No one knows for sure, but it's reasonable to say that 120,000 cq to 160,000 cq of the population gain is Hurricane Katrina related, said state demographer Steve Murdock cq.

- But with or without Hurricane Katrina, Texas would see a substantial population growth, Murdock said. By 2010 cq, there will be 25 million cq Texans, he said.