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- Percent persons aged 65 and over in the State is of total aged 65 and over in the U. S.
- Percent persons aged 65 and over in the State is of total population of the State.
- Percentage increase in persons aged 65 and over in the State since April 1, 1950.

STATE COMPARISONS OF ESTIMATED CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 65 AND OVER,  
JULY 1, 1958: SUMMARY OF RANKING OF STATES

State	Rank of State by:			State	Rank of State by:			State	Rank of State by:		
	Percent of U. S. population 65+ <sup>1</sup>	Percent of State's total population <sup>2</sup>	Percent increase over 1950 <sup>3</sup>		Percent of U. S. population 65+ <sup>1</sup>	Percent of State's total population <sup>2</sup>	Percent increase over 1950 <sup>3</sup>		Percent of U. S. population 65+ <sup>1</sup>	Percent of State's total population <sup>2</sup>	Percent increase over 1950 <sup>3</sup>
Alabama	22	35	20	Louisiana	26	42	32	Oklahoma	24	10	37
Alaska	52	52	6	Maine	35	4	48	Oregon	30	14	9
Arizona	38	44	2	Maryland	27	43	25	Pennsylvania	3	20	38
Arkansas	28	7	16	Massachusetts	8	9	50	Puerto Rico	36	51	34
California	2	30	8	Michigan	7	37	15	Rhode Island	37	15	36
Colorado	34	28	33	Minnesota	14	13	18	South Carolina	33	47	12
Connecticut	25	21	19	Mississippi	29	32	40	South Dakota	43	12	21
Delaware	48	38	31	Missouri	11	5	46	Tennessee	18	33	35
District of Columbia	39	36	49	Montana	41	18	23	Texas	6	39	11
Florida	10	11	1	Nebraska	32	8	41	Utah	44	46	10
Georgia	19	40	26	Nevada	51	49	7	Vermont	47	1	52
Hawaii	49	50	4	New Hampshire	42	3	47	Virginia	20	41	24
Idaho	40	26	13	New Jersey	9	27	17	Washington	21	17	27
Illinois	4	22	29	New Mexico	45	48	3	West Virginia	31	29	30
Indiana	12	23	44	New York	1	19	28	Wisconsin	13	16	22
Iowa	15	2	45	North Carolina	16	45	14	Wyoming	50	34	5
Kansas	23	6	42	North Dakota	46	31	51				
Kentucky	17	24	43	Ohio	5	25	39				

<sup>1</sup>Rank of State according to the percentage the number of persons aged 65 and over in the State is of the total number of persons aged 65 and over in the United States (see Table A, page 4). Low ranks denote high percentages.

<sup>2</sup>Rank of State according to the percentage the number of persons aged 65 and over in the State is of the total number of persons of all ages in the State (see Table B, page 4). Low ranks denote high percentages.

<sup>3</sup>Rank of State according to the percentage increase in the number of persons aged 65 and over in the State between the April 1, 1950, census enumeration and July 1, 1958 (see Table C, page 4). Low ranks denote high percentages.



ESTIMATED CIVILIAN POPULATION, TOTAL AND SELECTED AGE GROUPS, AS OF JULY 1, 1958, BY CENSUS AND D/HEW  
REGION AND STATE, AND COMPARISONS WITH APRIL 1, 1950, CENSUS ENUMERATION.

[All population figures in thousands (000 omitted). Details may not add to totals due to rounding.]

Region, Division and State	Region, Division Symbol		Total: All ages			45 through 64 years of age					65 years of age and over				
			Number in 1950	1958		1950		1958			1950		1958		
	Census	D/HEW		Number	Percent change over 1950	Number	Percent of total	Number	Percent of total	Percent change over 1950	Number	Percent of total	Number	Percent of total	Percent change over 1950
United States <sup>1</sup>			152,424	174,464	+14.5	31,020	20.4	35,649	20.4	+14.9	12,306	8.1	15,184	8.7	+23.4
Census Regions															
Northeast	1		39,344	43,092	+9.5	8,920	22.7	9,749	22.6	+9.3	3,436	8.7	4,100	9.5	+19.3
New England	1a		9,261	9,911	+7.0	2,054	22.2	2,202	22.2	+7.2	906	9.8	1,027	10.4	+13.4
Middle Atlantic	1b		30,083	33,181	+10.3	6,866	22.8	7,547	22.7	+9.9	2,530	8.4	3,073	9.3	+21.5
North Central	2		44,369	50,877	+14.7	9,519	21.5	10,611	20.9	+11.5	3,961	8.9	4,747	9.3	+19.8
East North Central	2a		30,337	35,763	+17.9	6,513	21.5	7,406	20.7	+13.7	2,586	8.5	3,138	8.8	+21.3
West North Central	2b		14,032	15,114	+7.7	3,005	21.4	3,205	21.2	+6.6	1,375	9.8	1,609	10.6	+17.1
South	3		46,653	52,695	+13.0	8,284	17.8	9,944	18.9	+20.0	3,204	6.9	4,115	7.8	+28.4
South Atlantic	3a		20,860	24,749	+18.6	3,661	17.6	4,530	18.3	+23.7	1,375	6.6	1,866	7.5	+35.7
East South Central	3b		11,412	11,769	+3.1	1,967	17.2	2,256	19.2	+14.7	809	7.1	964	8.2	+19.2
West South Central	3c		14,380	16,177	+12.5	2,655	18.5	3,157	19.5	+18.9	1,020	7.1	1,285	7.9	+25.9
West	4		19,269	24,756	+28.5	3,968	20.6	4,874	19.7	+22.8	1,594	8.3	2,085	8.4	+30.8
Mountain	4a		5,021	6,349	+26.4	910	18.1	1,115	17.6	+22.4	358	7.1	475	7.5	+32.8
Pacific	4b		14,248	18,407	+29.2	3,058	21.5	3,759	20.4	+22.9	1,236	8.7	1,610	8.7	+30.2
Outlying Areas	5		2,790	3,044	+9.1	329	11.8	472	15.5	+43.5	111	4.0	137	4.5	+23.4
D/HEW Regions															
I. (Boston)		I	9,261	9,911	+7.0	2,054	22.2	2,202	22.2	+7.2	906	9.8	1,027	10.4	+13.4
II. (New York)		II	30,401	33,617	+10.6	6,933	22.8	7,630	22.7	+10.1	2,555	8.4	3,104	9.2	+21.5
III. (Charlottesville)		III	17,433	19,189	+10.1	2,933	16.8	3,563	18.6	+21.5	1,107	6.4	1,345	7.0	+21.5
IV. (Atlanta)		IV	16,725	19,203	+14.8	2,873	17.2	3,499	18.2	+21.8	1,137	6.8	1,554	8.1	+36.7
V. (Chicago)		V	30,337	35,763	+17.9	6,513	21.5	7,406	20.7	+13.7	2,586	8.5	3,138	8.8	+21.3
VI. (Kansas City)		VI	14,032	15,114	+7.7	3,005	21.4	3,205	21.2	+6.7	1,375	9.8	1,609	10.6	+17.0
VII. (Dallas)		VII	15,048	17,005	+13.0	2,758	18.3	3,287	19.3	+19.2	1,054	7.0	1,332	7.8	+26.4
VIII. (Denver)		VIII	3,453	4,104	+18.9	646	18.7	754	18.4	+16.7	269	7.8	338	8.2	+25.7
IX. (San Francisco)		IX	15,833	20,555	+29.8	3,308	20.9	4,106	20.0	+24.1	1,316	8.3	1,734	8.4	+31.8
States															
Alabama	3b	IV	3,053	3,138	+2.8	501	16.4	590	18.8	+17.6	194	6.4	241	7.7	+23.9
Alaska	5	IX	108	156	+44.4	16	15.2	22	13.9	+32.2	5	4.4	6	4.1	+35.5
Arizona	4a	IX	742	1,152	+55.3	131	17.6	181	15.7	+38.6	44	5.9	75	6.5	+71.9
Arkansas	3c	VII	1,908	1,733	-9.2	353	18.5	369	21.3	+4.5	147	7.7	187	10.8	+27.6
California	4b	IX	10,413	13,953	+34.0	2,249	21.6	2,830	20.3	+25.8	892	8.6	1,178	8.4	+32.0
Colorado	4a	VIII	1,307	1,622	+24.0	257	19.6	305	18.8	+18.8	115	8.8	139	8.6	+20.7
Connecticut	1a	I	2,001	2,351	+17.5	445	22.2	514	21.8	+15.4	177	8.8	220	9.3	+24.4
Delaware	3a	II	318	436	+37.2	66	20.6	83	19.0	+25.3	26	8.2	32	7.3	+21.3
District of Columbia	3a	III	787	806	+2.5	175	22.2	194	24.0	+11.0	55	7.0	61	7.6	+10.3
Florida	3a	IV	2,729	4,424	+62.1	562	20.6	775	17.5	+37.8	235	8.6	453	10.2	+93.1
Georgia	3a	IV	3,402	3,718	+9.3	566	16.6	680	18.3	+20.1	215	6.3	264	7.1	+22.7
Hawaii	5	IX	477	577	+21.0	70	14.6	94	16.3	+34.8	20	4.3	28	4.9	+38.8
Idaho	4a	VIII	588	647	+10.0	105	17.8	122	18.8	+16.0	43	7.4	56	8.7	+29.0
Illinois	2a	V	8,672	9,949	+14.7	1,981	22.8	2,226	22.4	+12.4	751	8.7	914	9.2	+21.7
Indiana	2a	V	3,932	4,558	+15.9	804	20.4	906	19.9	+12.7	360	9.2	418	9.2	+16.0
Iowa	2b	VI	2,621	2,778	+6.0	558	21.3	581	20.9	+4.1	273	10.4	316	11.4	+15.8
Kansas	2b	VI	1,887	2,077	+10.1	399	21.1	432	20.8	+8.2	194	10.3	226	10.9	+16.5
Kentucky	3b	III	2,913	3,041	+4.4	530	18.2	585	19.2	+10.3	234	8.0	272	9.0	+16.5
Louisiana	3c	VII	2,670	3,074	+15.1	470	17.6	565	18.4	+20.4	173	6.5	209	6.8	+21.3
Maine	1a	I	912	926	+1.6	184	20.2	193	20.8	+4.8	94	10.3	103	11.2	+10.4
Maryland	3a	III	2,301	2,903	+26.1	451	19.6	569	19.6	+26.2	162	7.0	198	6.8	+22.8
Massachusetts	1a	I	4,665	4,851	+4.0	1,061	22.7	1,107	22.8	+4.4	468	10.0	513	10.6	+9.6
Michigan	2a	V	6,361	7,814	+22.9	1,304	20.5	1,531	19.6	+17.4	460	7.2	590	7.5	+28.3
Minnesota	2b	VI	2,981	3,337	+12.0	640	21.5	687	20.6	+7.4	269	9.0	335	10.0	+24.7
Mississippi	3b	IV	2,164	2,140	-1.1	359	16.6	403	18.8	+12.1	149	6.9	174	8.1	+17.2
Missouri	2b	VI	3,952	4,187	+5.9	878	22.2	943	22.5	+7.5	405	10.3	460	11.0	+13.3
Montana	4a	VIII	589	669	+13.6	118	20.0	128	19.2	+9.1	51	8.6	63	9.4	+23.5
Nebraska	2b	VI	1,322	1,421	+7.5	286	21.6	302	21.2	+5.5	130	9.9	152	10.7	+16.6
Nevada	4a	IX	157	263	+67.4	34	21.4	50	18.9	+47.8	11	7.0	15	5.5	+33.3
New Hampshire	1a	I	531	575	+8.2	116	21.9	123	21.4	+5.7	58	10.9	65	11.3	+12.1
New Jersey	1b	II	4,802	5,748	+19.7	1,104	23.0	1,299	22.6	+17.7	392	8.2	497	8.7	+26.8
New Mexico	4a	VII	668	829	+24.1	102	15.2	130	15.7	+27.8	33	4.9	47	5.7	+43.0
New York	1b	II	14,801	16,264	+9.9	3,533	23.9	3,789	23.3	+7.3	1,254	8.5	1,529	9.4	+21.9
North Carolina	3a	III	4,014	4,392	+9.4	628	15.6	777	17.7	+23.7	221	5.5	285	6.5	+28.9
North Dakota	2b	VI	620	637	+2.8	114	18.3	125	19.6	+10.2	48	7.8	52	8.2	+8.5
Ohio	2a	V	7,938	9,512	+19.8	1,683	21.2	1,926	20.3	+14.5	706	8.9	834	8.8	+18.1
Oklahoma	3c	VII	2,218	2,217	-0.1	432	19.5	477	21.5	+10.4	193	8.7	229	10.3	+18.7
Oregon	4b	IX	1,519	1,741	+14.6	325	21.4	372	21.4	+14.4	133	8.8	173	10.0	+30.5
Pennsylvania	1b	II	10,480	11,169	+6.6	2,230	21.3	2,459	22.0	+10.3	883	8.4	1,046	9.4	+18.4
Puerto Rico	5	III	2,205	2,311	+4.8	243	11.0	356	15.4	+46.8	86	3.9	103	4.4	+19.9
Rhode Island	1a	I	774	838	+8.2	172	22.2	187	22.3						

<sup>1</sup>Includes the 48 States, Alaska, District of Columbia, Hawaii, and Puerto Rico.

Composition of Census and D/HEW Regions

Census Regions and Divisions

- Northeast
  - New England: Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont
  - Middle Atlantic: New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania
- North Central
  - East North Central: Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, Wisconsin
  - West North Central: Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota
- South
  - South Atlantic: Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Georgia, Maryland, North Carolina, South Carolina, Virginia, West Virginia
  - East South Central: Alabama, Kentucky, Mississippi, Tennessee
  - West South Central: Arkansas, Louisiana, Oklahoma, Texas
- West
  - Mountain: Arizona, Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, New Mexico, Utah, Wyoming
  - Pacific: California, Oregon, Washington
- Outlying Areas: Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico

D/HEW Regions

- Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island, Vermont
- Delaware, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania
- District of Columbia, Kentucky, Maryland, North Carolina, Puerto Rico, Virginia, West Virginia
- Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi, South Carolina, Tennessee
- Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Ohio, Wisconsin
- Iowa, Kansas, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota
- Arkansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas
- Colorado, Idaho, Montana, Utah, Wyoming
- Alaska,

# STATE COMPARISONS OF ESTIMATED CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 65 AND OVER, JULY 1, 1958

A. Percent the number of persons aged 65 and over in the State is of the total number of persons aged 65 and over in the U. S., July 1, 1958

B. Percent the number of persons aged 65 and over is of the total population of the State as of July 1, 1958

C. Percentage increase in the number of persons aged 65 and over since the April 1, 1950, census, as of July 1, 1958

A. Percent the number of persons aged 65 and over in the State is of the total number of persons aged 65 and over in the U. S., July 1, 1958			B. Percent the number of persons aged 65 and over is of the total population of the State as of July 1, 1958		C. Percentage increase in the number of persons aged 65 and over since the April 1, 1950, census, as of July 1, 1958	
State	Percent	Cumulative Percent	State	Percent	State	Percent Increase
			U. S. average: 8.7%		U. S. average: 23.4%	
1 New York	10.1	10.1	1 Vermont	11.6	1 Florida	93.1
2 California	7.8	17.9	2 Iowa	11.4	2 Arizona	71.9
3 Pennsylvania	6.9	24.8	3 New Hampshire	11.3	3 New Mexico	43.0
4 Illinois	6.0	30.8	4 Maine	11.2	4 Hawaii	38.8
5 Ohio	5.5	36.3	5 Missouri	11.0	5 Wyoming	36.8
6 Texas	4.3	40.6	6 Kansas	10.9	6 Alaska	35.5
7 Michigan	3.9	44.5	7 Arkansas	10.8	7 Nevada	33.3
8 Massachusetts	3.4	47.9	8 Nebraska	10.7	8 California	32.0
9 New Jersey	3.3	51.2	9 Massachusetts	10.6	9 Oregon	30.5
10 Florida	3.0	54.2	10 Oklahoma	10.3	10 Utah	30.4
11 Missouri	3.0	57.2	11 Florida	10.2	11 Texas	29.8
12 Indiana	2.8	60.0	12 South Dakota	10.1	12 South Carolina	29.5
13 Wisconsin	2.5	62.5	13 Minnesota	10.0	13 Idaho	29.0
14 Minnesota	2.2	64.7	14 Oregon	10.0	14 North Carolina	28.9
15 Iowa	2.1	66.8	15 Rhode Island	10.0	15 Michigan	28.3
16 North Carolina	1.9	68.7	16 Wisconsin	9.7	16 Arkansas	27.6
17 Kentucky	1.8	70.5	17 Washington	9.5	17 New Jersey	26.8
18 Tennessee	1.8	72.3	18 Montana	9.4	18 Minnesota	24.7
19 Georgia	1.7	74.0	19 New York	9.4	19 Connecticut	24.4
20 Virginia	1.7	75.7	20 Pennsylvania	9.4	20 Alabama	23.9
21 Washington	1.7	77.4	21 Connecticut	9.3	21 South Dakota	23.7
22 Alabama	1.6	79.0	22 Illinois	9.2	22 Wisconsin	23.7
23 Kansas	1.5	80.5	23 Indiana	9.2	23 Montana	23.5
24 Oklahoma	1.5	82.0	24 Kentucky	9.0	24 Virginia	23.0
25 Connecticut	1.4	83.4	25 Ohio	8.8	25 Maryland	22.8
26 Louisiana	1.4	84.8	26 Idaho	8.7	26 Georgia	22.7
27 Maryland	1.3	86.1	27 New Jersey	8.7	27 Washington	22.5
28 Arkansas	1.2	87.3	28 Colorado	8.6	28 New York	21.9
29 Mississippi	1.1	88.4	29 West Virginia	8.5	29 Illinois	21.7
30 Oregon	1.1	89.5	30 California	8.4	30 West Virginia	21.4
31 West Virginia	1.1	90.6	31 North Dakota	8.2	31 Delaware	21.3
32 Nebraska	1.0	91.6	32 Mississippi	8.1	32 Louisiana	21.3
33 South Carolina	1.0	92.6	33 Tennessee	8.0	33 Colorado	20.7
34 Colorado	.9	93.5	34 Wyoming	8.0	34 Puerto Rico	19.9
35 Maine	.7	94.2	35 Alabama	7.7	35 Tennessee	19.4
36 Puerto Rico	.7	94.9	36 District of Columbia	7.6	36 Rhode Island	19.0
37 Rhode Island	.6	95.5	37 Michigan	7.5	37 Oklahoma	18.7
38 Arizona	.5	96.0	38 Delaware	7.3	38 Pennsylvania	18.4
39 District of Columbia	.4	96.4	39 Texas	7.2	39 Ohio	18.1
40 Idaho	.4	96.8	40 Georgia	7.1	40 Mississippi	17.2
41 Montana	.4	97.2	41 Virginia	6.9	41 Nebraska	16.6
42 New Hampshire	.4	97.6	42 Louisiana	6.8	42 Kansas	16.5
43 South Dakota	.4	98.0	43 Maryland	6.8	43 Kentucky	16.5
44 Utah	.4	98.4	44 Arizona	6.5	44 Indiana	16.0
45 New Mexico	.3	98.7	45 North Carolina	6.5	45 Iowa	15.8
46 North Dakota	.3	99.0	46 Utah	6.5	46 Missouri	13.3
47 Vermont	.3	99.3	47 South Carolina	6.2	47 New Hampshire	12.1
48 Delaware	.2	99.5	48 New Mexico	5.7	48 Maine	10.4
49 Hawaii	.2	99.7	49 Nevada	5.5	49 District of Columbia	10.3
50 Wyoming	.2	99.9	50 Hawaii	4.9	50 Massachusetts	9.6
51 Nevada	.1	100.0	51 Puerto Rico	4.4	51 North Dakota	8.5
52 Alaska	-	100.0	52 Alaska	4.1	52 Vermont	8.4