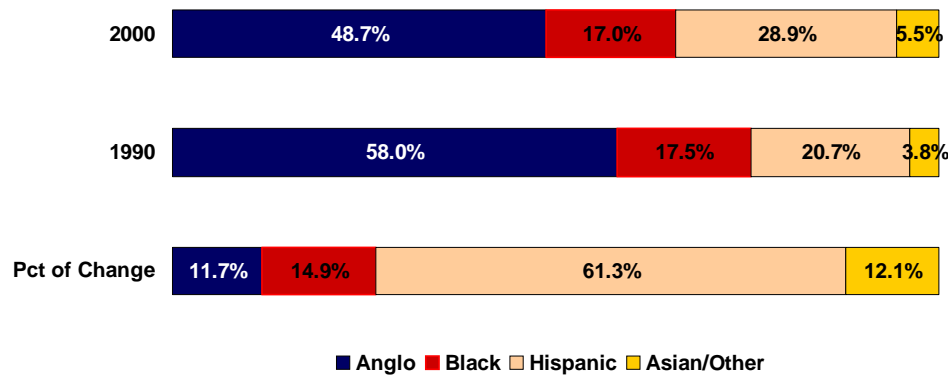


Racial/Ethnic Diversification 1990-2000

Houston's racial and ethnic diversity is one of its strengths.

Race/Ethnicity Distribution

Houston-Galveston-Brazoria CMSA 1990 and 2000



Sources: U.S. Bureau of the Census; Texas State Data Center

- Between 1990 and 2000, the population of metropolitan Houston grew more than 25 percent, and Harris County's grew more than 20 percent. Hispanics accounted for more than 60 percent of the net increase in the metropolitan area and more than 80 percent of the increase in Harris County.
- While the Hispanic population grew roughly 75 percent between the two censuses, Anglo population registered only a modest increase in the region and fell nearly 5 percent in Harris County. Much of the growth in suburban counties is attributable to movement out of Harris County.
- No racial or ethnic group constitutes a majority of the Houston region's population. Projections from the Texas State Data Center suggest that Hispanics could become a majority of the population in this region 30 to 40 years hence. In the meantime, there will continue to be no racial or ethnic majority, and Hispanics will gradually succeed Anglos as the plurality.