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INTRODUCTION

The 2012 Economy Tracker closely examines eight counties within Northeastern Pennsylvania, including: Bradford, Lackawanna, Luzerne, Monroe, Pike, Susquehanna, Wayne, and Wyoming. In addition to county data, statewide statistics are also included in some categories. The Economy Tracker highlights changes that have occurred in demographics, business and the economy.

The business section contains information pertaining to employment, payroll, business establishments and industries. Within the industries, the Institute further examines the top five industries by average annual wage and percentage of employment. The demographics section outlines categories such as population, age distribution, households, income, poverty, education, and race and ancestry. Finally, the economy section looks at unemployment, wages, hires and separations, flows and creation, and turnover.

Research Methods

Data from various state and federal sources were used to complete the economy tracker. In last year's edition of the economy tracker, one year of data were used. This year, The Institute compared two years of data in order to track changes in the region. We used the best available source for each indicator. Because not all agencies track and release datasets at the same time, there are differences between sections and in the section themselves. In the case of data collected from the U.S. Census and the American Community Survey (a product of the U.S. Census) there are variations within tables. This is due to smaller populations in some of the counties in the region. Annual data for counties with populations under 65,000 are not calculated by the Census and instead three year datasets are used.

DEMOGRAPHIC PROFILE

This annual publication tracks population, higher education, age, housing costs, income, poverty, employment, migration, race and ethnicity. For purposes of this profile, northeastern Pennsylvania is defined as Bradford, Lackawanna, Luzerne, Monroe, Pike, Susquehanna, Wayne and Wyoming County.

Population

Population estimates serve as important economic indicators. Population data are essential in county planning to determine funding allocations, public safety, and community development. From 2000-2010, Lackawanna and Luzerne Counties are the region's most populated counties, while Wyoming County is the least populated. Wayne County is the only county in the study region with a higher percentage of men than woman; its male population increased 1 percent from 2000 to 2010. Susquehanna County also experienced a shift in its gender majority, with its male population increasing by 0.6 percent, leaving its female population just under 50 percent.

Population by Sex						
	2000			2010		
County	Total	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female
Bradford	62,761	48.70%	51.30%	62,622	49.20%	50.80%
Lackawanna	209,194	47.50%	52.50%	214,437	48.10%	51.90%
Luzerne	311,752	48.60%	51.40%	320,918	48.90%	51.10%
Monroe	164,080	49.70%	50.30%	169,842	49.40%	50.60%
Pike	58,469	49.70%	50.30%	57,369	50%	50%
Susquehanna	41,070	49.70%	50.30%	43,356	50.30%	49.70%
Wayne	51,752	51.40%	48.60%	52,822	52.40%	47.60%
Wyoming	27,799	49.80%	50.20%	28,276	50%	50%
Statewide	12,281,054	48.30%	51.70%	12,702,379	48.70%	51.30%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Age Distribution

Age distribution is an important indicator of economic vitality. This data set provides the percentages of populations per age group across northeastern Pennsylvania's eight counties. The largest population segment across the region falls into the 45-54 age range. The region's second largest population segment falls into the 35-44 age range. In 2010, the median age ranged from 40.3 years in Monroe County (an increase of 2.1 years) to 45.9 years in Wayne County (an increase of 3.4 years). In 2010, approximately 16.9 percent of the population was age 65 and older.

The data show that the region's median age range has been slowly increasing. This may be due, in part, to the older population living longer and from the baby boomers coming of age. From 2000 to 2010, the 55-65 age range experienced an average increase of 2.0 percent, while the 65-74 age range increased 1.3 percent across the region.

Population By Age 2000								
County	Bradford	Lackawanna	Luzerne	Monroe	Pike	Susquehanna	Wayne	Wyoming
Total population	62,761	209,194	311,752	164,080	58,469	41,070	51,752	27,799
Under 5 years	6.1%	5.40%	5.20%	5.30%	4.10%	5.20%	4.70%	5.60%
5 to 9 years	7.1%	5.30%	5.00%	6.10%	6.20%	5.60%	5.40%	5.60%
10 to 14 years	7.7%	6.00%	5.90%	7.70%	7.50%	6.50%	6.30%	7.00%
15 to 19 years	7.0%	7.10%	6.80%	8.40%	7.40%	6.80%	6.20%	7.40%
20 to 24 years	4.5%	6.90%	6.30%	7.10%	5.10%	5.50%	5.00%	5.90%
25 to 34 years	11.8%	11.00%	11.50%	11.40%	12.10%	11.30%	12.10%	11.60%
35 to 44 years	15.4%	13.20%	13.70%	15.10%	15.30%	13.40%	14.30%	13.70%
45 to 54 years	14.2%	14.80%	14.90%	16.20%	16.50%	16.50%	15.90%	15.50%
55 to 59 years	5.8%	6.80%	6.90%	5.90%	6.20%	7.10%	6.30%	6.90%
60 to 64 years	4.8%	5.50%	5.50%	4.90%	4.90%	5.70%	5.70%	6.20%
65 to 74 years	8.1%	8.00%	8.20%	6.40%	8.00%	8.80%	9.10%	7.90%
75 to 84 years	5.7%	7.20%	7.20%	4.20%	5.20%	5.60%	7.20%	5.40%
85 years +	1.9%	2.90%	2.80%	1.30%	1.50%	2.00%	1.70%	1.50%
Median Age	38.9	41.6	42.1	38.2	40.3	42.4	42.5	40

Population by Age: 2010								
County	Bradford	Lackawanna	Luzerne	Monroe	Pike	Susquehanna	Wayne	Wyoming
Total Population	62,622	214,437	320,918	169,842	57,369	43,356	52,822	28,276
Under 5 yrs.	6.00%	5.40%	5.20%	5.10%	4.90%	5.00%	4.10%	5.40%
5-9 years	6.00%	5.50%	5.40%	6.20%	6.10%	5.50%	5.00%	5.00%
10-14 years	6.50%	5.80%	5.80%	7.50%	7.30%	6.40%	5.90%	6.30%
15-19 years	6.50%	6.90%	6.90%	8.70%	7.60%	6.70%	6.10%	7.10%
20-24 years	4.90%	6.90%	6.40%	6.80%	4.50%	4.70%	4.50%	5.80%
25-34 years	10.20%	11.30%	10.90%	9.30%	8.50%	9.60%	10.20%	10.30%
35-44 years	12.10%	12.30%	13.00%	13.40%	13.20%	11.80%	12.90%	12.70%
45-54 years	15.90%	14.90%	15.20%	17.30%	17.50%	17.20%	16.90%	15.90%
55-64 years	14.10%	13.30%	13.40%	12.90%	14.10%	14.90%	15.50%	14.70%
65-74 years	9.70%	8.40%	8.60%	7.40%	9.80%	10.30%	10.70%	9.30%
75-84 years	5.60%	6.20%	6.30%	4.00%	4.90%	5.60%	6.10%	4.80%
85+ years	2.40%	3.10%	3.00%	1.40%	1.40%	2.20%	2.10%	2.00%
Median Age	43.4	41.8	42.5	40.3	43.7	45.1	45.9	42.3

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Households

There are over 377,000 households in northeastern Pennsylvania, approximately half of which is comprised of married couple families. In 2010, the average family size ranged from 2.87 in Wayne County to 3.17 in Monroe County. Non-family households were more common in Lackawanna (37.3 percent) and Luzerne (37.0 percent) Counties, and less common in Monroe (27.7 percent) and Pike (27.5 percent) Counties. Female householders with no husband present comprised approximately 10.5 percent of all households across the region. All counties, with the exception of Pike, experienced an increase in total households from 2000 to 2010; Pike County's households declined by 1,336 over the same timeframe.

Household Type: 2000								
Households	Bradford	Lackawanna	Luzerne	Monroe	Pike	Susquehanna	Wayne	Wyoming
Total households	24,453	86,767	129,204	60,169	23,261	17,167	20,541	11,066
Family	70.80%	63.90%	64.00%	74.00%	75.40%	70.00%	69.50%	70.20%
With own children under	31.80%	26.90%	26.00%	35.60%	36.20%	29.00%	28.90%	27.90%
Married couple family	57.40%	47.20%	47.10%	57.50%	58.20%	54.60%	56.30%	53.30%
With own children under	23.70%	18.80%	17.40%	26.80%	25.50%	18.90%	20.90%	18.50%
Male householder, no	ND	4.70%	4.40%	4.30%	4.00%	5.60%	3.40%	6.30%
With own children under	ND	2.00%	1.90%	2.10%	2.50%	3.50%	2.00%	3.00%
Female householder, no husband present	8.90%	12.00%	12.40%	12.20%	13.20%	9.80%	9.80%	10.60%
With own children under	5.40%	6.10%	6.70%	6.80%	8.30%	6.60%	6.00%	6.50%
Nonfamily	29.20%	36.10%	36.00%	26.00%	24.60%	30.00%	30.50%	29.80%
Householder living alone	24.70%	30.50%	31.80%	19.70%	20.80%	25.00%	26.50%	23.80%
65 years and over	27.80%	14.80%	14.50%	7.20%	8.30%	10.60%	12.50%	10.50%
Households with one or more under 18 years	ND	29.10%	28.10%	39.10%	38.20%	31.80%	31.5%	31.60%
Households with one or more 65 years and over	ND	31.10%	31.00%	24.10%	27.30%	27.90%	32.60%	27.60%
Average household size	2.52	2.31	2.34	2.67	2.49	2.33	2.31	2.47
Average family	2.99	2.88	2.94	3.08	2.86	2.73	2.77	2.91

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Household Type 2010								
Households	Bradford	Lackawanna	Luzerne	Monroe	Pike	Susquehanna	Wayne	Wyoming
Total Households	25,321	87,226	131,932	61,091	21,925	17,798	20,625	11,237
Family	68.30%	62.70%	63.00%	72.30%	72.50%	68.20%	67.60%	68.20%
With own children under	26.60%	25.20%	24.60%	32.20%	30.10%	25.00%	23.80%	26.60%
Married Couple Family	53.70%	45.40%	44.90%	55.70%	58.30%	53.90%	53.90%	52.80%
With own children under	18.30%	16.70%	15.60%	23.20%	22.50%	17.30%	17.10%	18.50%
Male Householder, No	5.10%	4.90%	5.20%	5.10%	4.70%	5.60%	4.50%	5.60%
With own children under	2.90%	2.20%	2.40%	2.50%	2.30%	2.90%	2.20%	3.00%
Female householder, no male present	9.60%	12.40%	12.90%	11.50%	9.50%	8.70%	9.20%	9.80%
With own children under	5.40%	6.40%	6.70%	6.50%	5.20%	4.70%	4.60%	5.00%
Non family households	31.70%	37.30%	37.00%	27.70%	27.50%	31.80%	32.40%	31.80%
Householder living alone	26.20%	31.60%	31.40%	21.40%	22.40%	26.40%	27.20%	26.10%
65 years and over	12.10%	14%	14.30%	8.10%	9.50%	11.80%	12.30%	10.90%
Households with individuals under 18 years	29.90%	27.60%	27.30%	35.80%	33.00%	27.80%	26.60%	29.78%
Households with individuals 65+ years	31.10%	31.00%	31.60%	25.70%	30.20%	31.60%	34.00%	29..1%
Average household size	2.45	2.37	2.34	2.72	2.59	2.42	2.38	2.46
Average family	2.92	2.98	2.94	3.17	3.05	2.89	2.87	2.95

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

The table below shows fluctuations in the number of households over a ten-year span from 2000 to 2009. Notably, Luzerne County saw an extreme increase of 1,651 households, while Pike County experienced a rather large decrease of 1,071 households. Of the eight counties examined, both Susquehanna and Wyoming Counties experienced little change in household size.

Total Households			
County	2000	2009	Difference
Bradford	24,453	24,861	408
Lackawanna	86,767	86,318	-449
Luzerne	129,204	130,855	1,651
Monroe	60,169	59,997	-172
Pike	23,261	22,190	-1,071
Susquehanna	17,167	17,225	58
Wayne	20,541	19,678	-863
Wyoming	11,066	11,023	-43
Statewide	4,777,003	5,518,579	741,576

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Marital Status

The table below examines marital status of the region's male population age 15 and older. Lackawanna and Luzerne Counties had the highest populations of males age 15 and older who were never married (34.6 percent and 34.8 percent, respectively). Bradford County had the largest married but separated male population at 53.6 percent. At 11.7 percent, Bradford County had the greatest percentage of divorced males, while Wayne County followed close behind at 11 percent.

Across the study region, the number of males who have never married has increased, while the number of those married but separated continues to shrink. Notably, Monroe and Pike Counties experienced decreases of 20.3 percent and 10 percent, respectively, in this category.

Marital Status 2006-2008						
County	Males 15 years and	Never Married	Married, except separated	Separated	Widowed	Divorced
Bradford	24,090	26.60%	56.30%	2.00%	3.50%	12.20%
Lackawanna	81,634	33.80%	52.60%	2.00%	3.80%	7.70%
Luzerne	125,632	34.00%	51.30%	2.30%	3.80%	8.60%
Monroe	65,377	31.00%	57.90%	1.10%	2.70%	7.30%
Pike	23,647	25.20%	61.20%	2.40%	3.30%	7.80%
Susquehanna	16,794	27.40%	57.30%	3.00%	2.60%	9.80%
Wayne	22,195	27.50%	57.50%	2.20%	3.20%	9.60%
Wyoming	11,206	31.70%	54.60%	1.80%	2.90%	9.10%
Statewide	4,884,209	30.90%	50.20%	2.20%	7.60%	9.10%

Marital Status 2006-2010						
County	Males 15 years and	Never Married	Married, but separated	Separated	Widowed	Divorced
Bradford	24,621	27.00%	53.60%	1.70%	3.50%	11.70%
Lackawanna	84,151	34.60%	49.60%	1.70%	3.70%	8.30%
Luzerne	128,952	34.80%	53.00%	2.10%	3.80%	8.90%
Monroe	66,398	32.00%	37.60%	1.20%	2.80%	8.00%
Pike	22,714	26.70%	51.20%	2.50%	2.90%	8.90%
Susquehanna	17,881	28.50%	53.00%	2.50%	2.80%	10.10%
Wayne	23,044	29.00%	33.00%	2.60%	3.50%	11.00%
Wyoming	11,487	30.00%	49.30%	1.50%	3.30%	1.00%
Statewide	4,968,029	31.40%	49.90%	2.20%	7.40%	9.00%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Grandparents Living with Grandchildren

Grandparents who are living with and responsible for their grandchildren are most numerous in Wyoming County, with 45.5 percent acting as their grandchildren’s guardian. Wayne County reported the lowest number of grandparents responsible for their grandchildren. The majority of grandparents caring for their grandchildren have done so for five years or more.

Grandparents Living with Grandchildren 2006-2008						
County	Number of grandparents living with grandchildren under 18 years	Number of grandparents responsible for grandchildren	Responsible less than 1 year	Responsible 1 to 2 years	Responsible 3 to 4 years	Responsible 5+ years
Bradford	1,158	37.60%	12.50%	9.20%	1.80%	14.10%
Lackawanna	3,006	41.40%	14.80%	4.0%	7.40%	15.20%
Luzerne	5,100	33.20%	4.20%	8.70%	2.20%	18.10%
Monroe	3,882	35.10%	8.00%	3.00%	4.00%	20.20%
Pike	N	N	N	N	N	N
Susquehanna	636	57.10%	12.10%	9.30%	6.30%	29.40%
Wayne	857	38.40%	5.50%	13.40%	3.20%	16.30%
Wyoming	622	52.60%	12.10%	22.20%	4.30%	14.00%
Statewide	202,457	39.34%	9.03%	9.86%	6.62%	13.84%

Grandparents Living with Grandchildren 2008-2010						
County	Number of grandparents living with grandchildren under 18 years	Number of grandparents responsible for grandchildren	Responsible less than 1 year	Responsible 1-2 years	Responsible 3-4 years	Responsible 5+ years
Bradford	1,386	33.60%	9.70%	11.10%	2.00%	10.80%
Lackawanna	3,252	45.30%	5.80%	12.30%	8.70%	18.50%
Luzerne	5,577	43.80%	10.80%	8.40%	6.20%	18.40%
Monroe	5,016	41.50%	12.10%	4.20%	3.70%	21.50%
Pike	1,688	29.00%	8.60%	11.00%	4.60%	4.90%
Susquehanna	N	N	N	N	N	N
Wayne	954	25.90%	0.00%	9.90%	1.30%	14.80%
Wyoming	308	45.50%	1.60%	17.90%	5.20%	20.80%
Statewide	221,436	38.85%	7.99%	10.10%	6.37%	14.39%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Civilian Veterans

Civilian veterans are individuals who, at one time, served active duty in the armed forces but are no longer serving. This population segment has special needs, such as VA medical care and job training. In 2010, Wayne County showed the highest percentage of civilian veterans at 13.8 percent — a 1 percent increase over the previous time period. Susquehanna County had the second largest civilian veteran population at 13.1 percent — a 0.5 percent decrease from the period before.

Civilian Veterans 2006-2008		
County	Civilian population 18+ years	Civilian veterans
Bradford	47,222	13.30%
Lackawanna	165,832	11.70%
Luzerne	249,241	12.00%
Monroe	124,366	11.40%
Pike	45,021	11.30%
Susquehanna	32,088	13.60%
Wayne	41,024	12.80%
Wyoming	21,483	11.50%
Statewide	9,625,299	10.90%
Civilian Veterans 2008-2010		
County	Civilian population 18+ years	Civilians Veterans
Bradford	48,072	12.30%
Lackawanna	169,899	11.30%
Luzerne	255,201	11.70%
Monroe	127,986	11.30%
Pike	43,809	12.80%
Susquehanna	33,953	13.10%
Wayne	41,950	13.80%
Wyoming	22,029	11.40%
Statewide	9,844,708	10.20%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Household Vehicles

The number of motor vehicles per household is indicative of a region's transportation choices and needs. The table below compares households by the number of vehicles available to them. The majority of households in northeastern Pennsylvania have one to two vehicles. The highest percentage of households without an available vehicle in 2010 was in Luzerne County (11.0 percent), while the lowest percentage of households without an available vehicle was Pike County (3.4 percent).

In general, as occupied housing units have increased, so too has the percentage of those who have one vehicle available. By contrast, the time period shows that the percentage of households with three or more vehicles available has decreased; this may or may not be attributable to the economy.

Vehicles Per Household 2006-2008					
County	Occupied Housing Units	No vehicles available	1 vehicle available	2 vehicles available	3+ vehicles available
Bradford	24,891	6.00%	31.30%	41.80%	21.00%
Lackawanna	86,767	10.40%	36.60%	36.60%	16.40%
Luzerne	129,204	10.10%	35.90%	36.20%	17.80%
Monroe	60,169	3.20%	28.30%	40.70%	27.90%
Pike	23,261	4.00%	30.70%	42.90%	22.40%
Susquehanna	17,167	4.60%	28.90%	43.20%	23.30%
Wayne	20,541	6.10%	31.30%	41.40%	21.20%
Wyoming	11,066	5.00%	27.20%	42.60%	25.30%
Statewide	4,877,735	11.30%	33.70%	37.20%	17.80%
Vehicles Per Household 2008-2010					
County	Occupied Housing Units	No Vehicle available	1 vehicle available	2 vehicles available	3 + vehicles available
Bradford	24,567	6.80%	31.00%	40.00%	16.20%
Lackawanna	85,955	10.20%	37.20%	37.30%	11.50%
Luzerne	131,340	11.00%	36.50%	35.00%	13.00%
Monroe	60,019	4.00%	26.40%	42.60%	19.40%
Pike	22,073	3.40%	31.30%	43.10%	15.30%
Susquehanna	16,978	5.10%	30.00%	42.30%	15.10%
Wayne	19,405	5.10%	33.00%	39.40%	16.00%
Wyoming	11,091	5.10%	30.00%	40.00%	19.00%
Statewide	4,936,030	11.70%	34.40%	36.60%	17.40%

Sources: U.S. Census Bureau and CLResearch

Commute Times

In all eight counties for 2010, the majority of commuters traveled alone in a car, truck or van. Carpooling in a car, truck, or van was the second most frequently reported method of commuting. Workers in Lackawanna County experienced the shortest drive time to work, with a mean travel time of 19.7 minutes, while workers in Pike County experience the longest drive of 42.1 minutes. In Wayne County, 6.6 percent of workers work at home and, thus, had no commute.

Over the four years examined, commute times have generally stayed within a one minute difference, except in Pike County, where the commute time has decreased from 44.1 to 42.1 minutes.

Work Commute 2006-2008								
County	Workers 16+ years	Car, truck or van - alone	Car, truck or van - carpoled	Public transportation (excluding taxi)	Walked	Other means	Worked at home	Mean travel time (minutes)
Bradford	27,050	78.30%	10.20%	0.50%	4.90%	1.50%	4.50%	22.8
Lackawanna	97,744	79.70%	11.40%	1.30%	4.20%	0.90%	2.60%	19.8
Luzerne	143,516	81.60%	11.10%	1.00%	3.20%	1.00%	2.10%	21.4
Monroe	76,777	74.90%	13.00%	5.10%	2.80%	0.70%	3.40%	39.2
Pike	25,449	78.70%	11.20%	3.20%	1.70%	0.50%	4.70%	44.1
Susquehanna	18,397	80.50%	10.30%	0.30%	2.70%	0.90%	5.30%	26.9
Wayne	22,327	77.70%	9.10%	1.00%	5.10%	1.10%	6.00%	27.5
Wyoming	13,269	80.20%	11.10%	0.20%	3.80%	1.30%	3.30%	23.8
Statewide	5,782,102	4,419,399	559,467	301,868	232,290	71,135	197,943	25.4
Work Commute 2010								
County	Workers 16+ years	Car, truck, or van, alone	Car, truck, van, carpoled	Public transportation (excluding taxi)	Walked	Other means	Worked at home	Mean travel time (minutes)
Bradford	27,118	77.40%	12.20%	0.40%	4.60%	1.50%	3.90%	22.7
Lackawanna	97,278	79.20%	12.50%	1.10%	3.60%	0.70%	3.00%	19.7
Luzerne	143,274	81.40%	11.40%	1.10%	3.40%	0.70%	2.00%	21.8
Monroe	75,084	75.60%	11.90%	5.10%	2.70%	1.00%	3.80%	39.6
Pike	23,282	81.30%	10.40%	2.10%	2.60%	0.40%	3.30%	42.1
Susquehanna	18,926	80.30%	10.50%	0.20%	3.10%	0.60%	5.30%	26.8
Wayne	21,887	81.50%	7.30%	0.50%	3.70%	0.50%	6.60%	26.8
Wyoming	13,517	80.00%	13.00%	0.40%	2.80%	0.50%	5.30%	24.5
Statewide	5,723,063	4,407,079	504,848	310,436	218,870	69,723	212,107	25.9

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Birth Rate

The table below indicates birth rate by county in 2000 and 2009. Luzerne County had the highest birth rate for both years, followed by Lackawanna County. In both years, Wyoming County had the lowest birth rates and experienced a decrease of 64 between the two years examined. Four other counties also experienced decreases in their birth rates, including Lackawanna, Luzerne, Monroe, and Pike Counties. Across the study area, Susquehanna and Bradford Counties were the only counties to record an increase in birth rate.

Births				
County	Total (2000)	Percentage of births with no prenatal visits	Total (2009)	Difference
Bradford	433	ND	742	309
Lackawanna	2,325	1.20%	2,293	-32
Luzerne	3,191	1.10%	3,151	-40
Monroe	1,617	1.20%	1,474	-143
Pike	461	ND	401	-60
Susquehanna	406	ND	418	12
Wayne	437	ND	437	0
Wyoming	340	ND	276	-64
Statewide	148,934	1.50%	ND	ND

Source: Pennsylvania Department of Health

Mortality Rate

The data below represent 2008 and 2009 mortality rates across the study region. Luzerne County reported the highest number of deaths, but experienced 150 fewer deaths in 2009 than in 2008. It should be noted that Luzerne County is also the most populous county. Similarly, Wyoming County - the least populous county within the study area – recorded the lowest number of total deaths. Lackawanna and Luzerne Counties had the greatest number of deaths of children five years and younger. Pike County recorded zero deaths for both children age five and younger, and those age five to fourteen. In all eight counties, the majority of deaths occurred among those age 75 and older.

Deaths by Age 2008											
County	Total Deaths	Under 5 years	5 to 14 years	15 to 24 years	25 to 34 years	35 to 44 years	45 to 54 years	55 to 64 years	65 to 74 years	75 to 84 years	85+ years
Bradford	647	6	1	9	8	18	40	85	117	188	225
Lackawanna	2,806	23	3	27	25	59	165	282	392	797	1033
Luzerne	4,107	26	5	40	45	100	214	408	648	1,182	1,439
Monroe	1,208	10	3	23	18	46	96	172	193	336	311
Pike	388	1	1	5	4	17	34	66	62	99	99
Susquehanna	507	3	2	3	9	8	31	52	96	139	164
Wayne	599	2	3	11	7	10	34	67	103	167	164
Wyoming	290	1	0	5	4	11	16	34	49	89	81
Statewide	124,460	1,275	224	1,436	1,722	3,452	7,842	12,598	1,660	2,997	3,516
Deaths by Age 2009											
County	Total Deaths	Under 5 years	5 to 14 years	15 to 24 years	25 to 34 years	35 to 44 years	45 to 54 years	55 to 64 years	65 to 74 years	75 to 84 years	85+ years
Bradford	694	5	0	4	7	17	30	72	148	191	189
Lackawanna	2,589	25	4	18	32	57	151	271	347	691	993
Luzerne	3,957	24	3	30	50	71	243	409	601	1,098	1,428
Monroe	1,208	11	3	10	18	37	90	154	220	325	340
Pike	317	0	0	6	4	13	23	38	46	87	90
Susquehanna	460	4	1	7	5	13	18	51	83	116	162
Wayne	552	2	0	4	6	9	42	57	105	154	173
Wyoming	267	4	0	0	4	7	25	41	53	52	81
Statewide	123,924	1,182	187	1,205	1,705	2,940	8,030	13,348	18,804	2,714	3,456

Source: Pennsylvania Department of Health

The table below shows the difference in overall total deaths between 2000 and 2009. Within the study region, there have been decreases in deaths in six of the eight counties; the remaining two counties, Bradford and Monroe, reported 47 deaths and zero deaths, respectively. The largest decrease occurred in Lackawanna County, with a total decrease of 217 deaths.

Overall Total Deaths			
County	2000	2009	Difference
Bradford	647	694	47
Lackawanna	2,806	2,589	-217
Luzerne	4,107	3,957	-150
Monroe	1,208	1,208	0
Pike	388	317	-71
Susquehanna	507	460	-47
Wayne	599	552	-47
Wyoming	290	267	-23
Statewide	130,092	123,924	6,168

Source: Pennsylvania Department of Health

School Enrollment

Unlike its 2000 statistic (3.5 percent), Pike County led preschool enrollment with 6.5 percent, while Susquehanna and Wyoming Counties followed at 5.9 percent. Lackawanna County reported the highest college or graduate school enrollment at 30.7 percent; Luzerne County followed close behind at 28.6 percent enrollment. Over the ten- year period, school enrollment grew significantly in Lackawanna, Luzerne, and Monroe Counties. Pike, Susquehanna, and Wyoming Counties experienced less significant changes, while Bradford County experienced an enrollment decline.

School Enrollment 2000						
County	Population 3+ years	Nursery school, Preschool	Kindergarten	Elementary school	High school	College/Post Graduate school
Bradford	17,747	5.40%	5.50%	52.50%	26.90%	9.70%
Lackawanna	49,679	5.50%	4.50%	37.60%	22.40%	30.00%
Luzerne	70,591	5.00%	4.60%	39.20%	23.50%	27.80%
Monroe	45,194	4.80%	4.40%	40.40%	25.50%	25.00%
Pike	14,049	3.50%	5.00%	48.20%	27.60%	15.70%
Susquehanna	8,829	6.50%	5.40%	45.70%	28.30%	14.10%
Wayne	11,269	5.30%	5.30%	42.90%	25.10%	21.40%
Wyoming	6,501	6.00%	4.90%	43.70%	24.70%	20.70%
Statewide	3,135,934	203,934	159,146	1,379,671	690,020	703,163
School Enrollment 2008-2010						
County	Population 3+ years	Nursery school, Preschool	Kindergarten	Elementary (grades 1-8)	High School	College/Post Graduate
Bradford	13,774	5.30%	6.60%	45.00%	25.50%	17.60%
Lackawanna	51,788	5.70%	4.30%	37.90%	21.40%	30.70%
Luzerne	73,430	5.60%	4.50%	38.90%	22.40%	28.60%
Monroe	48,388	4.70%	3.70%	40.40%	24.90%	26.30%
Pike	14,949	6.50%	2.70%	44.90%	27.70%	18.20%
Susquehanna	9,168	5.90%	5.10%	48.0%	27.00%	14.00%
Wayne	10,416	4.80%	5.80%	44.30%	28.70%	16.30%
Wyoming	6,620	5.90%	5.70%	41.40%	23.50%	23.40%
Statewide	3,183,017	198,282	148,079	1,234,155	687,104	915,397

Source: US Census Bureau

Total School Enrollment			
County	2000	2009-2010	Difference
Bradford	14,747	13,733	-1,014
Lackawanna	49,679	51,640	1,961
Luzerne	70,591	72,791	2,200
Monroe	45,194	47,713	2,519
Pike	14,049	14,226	117
Susquehanna	8,829	9,396	567
Wayne	11,269	11,070	-199
Wyoming	6,501	6,644	143
Statewide	3,135,934	3,209,174	73,240

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Housing Occupancy

For the 2010, northeastern Pennsylvania had 461,699 total housing units. The highest count was in Luzerne County (148,748), while the lowest was in Wyoming County (13,254). Within Luzerne County, 88.1 percent of housing units were occupied, compared with 89.2 percent in Lackawanna County – the highest in the study area. At 58.1 percent, Pike County reported the lowest number of occupied units, which left half of all of its housing units vacant.

Over the ten years examined, the percentage of vacant housing units increased among all eight counties, while occupied housing units decreased in all counties but one.

Housing Occupancy 2000			
County	Total housing units	Occupied housing units	Vacant housing units
Bradford	28,664	85.30%	14.70%
Lackawanna	97,162	89.30%	10.70%
Luzerne	147,723	87.50%	12.50%
Monroe	78,319	76.80%	23.20%
Pike	39,951	58.20%	41.80%
Susquehanna	22,524	76.20%	23.80%
Wayne	32,857	62.50%	37.50%
Wyoming	13,255	83.50%	16.50%
Statewide	5,249,750	91.00%	9.00%
Housing Occupancy 2010			
County	Total housing units	Occupied housing units	Vacant housing units
Bradford	29,979	83.10%	16.90%
Lackawanna	96,832	89.20%	10.80%
Luzerne	148,748	88.10%	11.90%
Monroe	80,359	75.60%	24.40%
Pike	38,350	58.10%	41.90%
Susquehanna	22,524	76.20%	23.80%
Wayne	31,653	62.10%	37.90%
Wyoming	13,254	83.30%	16.70%
Statewide	5,568,820	88.60%	11.40%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Housing Tenure

The majority of housing units in the study area are owner-occupied. For the 2008-2010 periods, Pike County held the highest percentage of owner-occupied housing units at 84.3 percent. Lackawanna County reported the lowest number of owner-occupied housing units at 66.1 percent. The average household size of owner-occupied housing units was larger than the average household size of renter-occupied units across all eight counties, but the gap has since been closing. Average household sizes have increased for both owner-occupied and renter-occupied houses over the ten years examined.

Housing Tenure 2000					
County	Occupied Housing Units	Owner-Occupied	Renter-Occupied	Avg. Household Size of Owner-occupied	Avg. Household Size of Renter-Occupied
Bradford	24,453	75.50%	24.50%	2.62	2.23
Lackawanna	86,767	64.60%	35.40%	2.49	1.98
Luzerne	129,204	70.60%	29.40%	2.47	2.03
Monroe	60,169	78.80%	21.20%	2.73	2.44
Pike	23,261	84.80%	15.20%	2.56	2.12
Susquehanna	17,167	76.20%	23.80%	2.4	2.08
Wayne	20,541	80.00%	20.00%	2.38	2.04
Wyoming	11,066	76.60%	23.40%	2.57	2.16
Statewide	4,777,003	71.00%	28.70%	2.62	2.12
Housing Tenure 2008-2010					
County	Occupied Housing Units	Owner-Occupied	Renter-Occupied	Avg. Household Size of Owner-occupied	Avg. Household Size of Renter-Occupied
Bradford	24,861	74.80%	25.20%	2.56	2.26
Lackawanna	86,318	66.10%	33.90%	2.53	2.06
Luzerne	130,855	69.90%	30.10%	2.48	2.1
Monroe	59,997	81.40%	15.90%	2.77	2.62
Pike	22,190	84.30%	15.70%	2.61	2.26
Susquehanna	17,225	79.20%	20.80%	2.53	2.27
Wayne	19,678	80.30%	19.70%	2.5	2.27
Wyoming	11,023	77.10%	22.90%	2.59	2.26
Statewide	4,940,581	3,508,612	1,431,969	2.6	2.15

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Selected Monthly Owner Costs

Selected Monthly Owner Costs (SMOC) include expenses such as electricity, heating, insurance, real estate taxes and association fees. For 2006-2008 and 2008-2010, SMOC were highest in Monroe County for housing units with and without a mortgage, followed by Pike County. For the same time periods, SMOC were lowest in Bradford County for housing units with and without a mortgage.

Selected Monthly Owner Costs As A Percentage of Household Income (SMOCAPI) 2006-2008								
County	Bradford	Lackawanna	Luzerne	Monroe	Pike	Susquehanna	Wayne	Wyoming
Housing units with a mortgage (excluding units where SMOCAPI	10,212	31,400	51,461	35,575	13,979	7,672	9,409	5,130
percent	39.60%	38.50%	40.40%	26.20%	20.80%	33.90%	32.50%	38.20%
20.0 to 24.9	17.90%	17.40%	17.30%	16.60%	18.20%	16.90%	15.20%	20.00%
25.0 to 29.9	9.70%	11.00%	10.80%	11.70%	11.10%	12.00%	10.80%	11.50%
30.0 to 34.9	8.10%	7.90%	7.10%	10.60%	11.60%	8.50%	31.99.6%	7.70%
35 percent or	24.70%	25.20%	24.40%	34.90%	38.30%	28.60%	31.90%	22.60%
Not computed	129	30	242	200	38	40	41	21

Selected Monthly Owner Costs As A Percentage of Household Income (SMOCAPI) 2008-2010								
County	Bradford	Lackawanna	Luzerne	Monroe	Pike	Susquehanna	Wayne	Wyoming
Housing units with a mortgage (excluding units where SMOCAPI	9,745	32,414	51,970	36,005	13,342	7,257	8,958	5,016
Less than 20.0	39.60%	38.00%	40.20%	26.10%	24.10%	34.60%	31.90%	37.60%
20.0 to 24.9	17.00%	17.30%	17.30%	15.60%	16.60%	17.30%	15.60%	19.10%
25.0 to 29.9	12.00%	11.10%	11.30%	12.70%	13.50%	12.60%	11.20%	12.00%
30.0 to 34.9	7.10%	8.90%	7.20%	10.40%	11.30%	8.40%	9.10%	8.30%
35 percent or	24.30%	24.80%	24.00%	35.20%	34.60%	27.20%	32.20%	23.00%
Not computed	85	47	214	211	52	42	51	25

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

SMOCAPI

Selected Monthly Owner Costs as a Percentage of Household Income (SMOCAPI) on mortgaged housing units was highest in Monroe County in 2008 - 2010, at 35.2 percent of its housing units paying 35 percent or more. Among the eight counties examined, approximately 34 percent of households paid less than 20 percent of household income on monthly owner costs in 2008-2010.

House Heating Fuel 2006-2008								
County	Bradford	Lackawanna	Luzerne	Monroe	Pike	Susquehanna	Wayne	Wyoming
Occupied housing units	ND	86,767	129,204	60,169	23,261	17,167	20,541	11,066
Utility gas	51.30%	63.80%	45.90%	5.80%	8.80%	1.70%	11.60%	2.80%
Bottled, tank or LP gas	3.00%	4.70%	3.60%	11.40%	16.50%	16.80%	14.00%	15.30%
Electricity	16.50%	19.30%	13.20%	42.70%	39.10%	14.70%	21.50%	19.10%
Fuel oil, kerosene, etc.	25.50%	15.40%	26.30%	33.50%	26.50%	49.80%	39.60%	49.80%
Coal or coke	1.40%	1.50%	3.50%	1.70%	0.90%	3.00%	2.90%	4.60%
Wood	1.60%	1.00%	0.80%	4.00%	7.60%	13.50%	10.30%	8.00%
Solar energy	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.10%
Other fuel	0.40%	0.20%	0.40%	0.80%	0.50%	0.50%	0.10%	0.30%
No fuel used	0.20%	0.10%	0.10%	0.10%	0.20%	0.00%	0.00%	0.10%

House Heating Fuel 2008-2010								
County	Bradford	Lackawanna	Luzerne	Monroe	Pike	Susquehanna	Wayne	Wyoming
Occupied Housing	24,861	86,318	130,855	59,997	22,190	17,225	19,678	11,023
Utility Gas	31.60%	62.90%	46.50%	8.80%	10.90%	2.40%	12.50%	2.90%
Bottled/Tank/LP Gas	6.10%	4.60%	3.50%	10.80%	16.30%	17.20%	13.60%	14.70%
Electricity	11.80%	14.40%	19.60%	40.20%	36.50%	15.50%	20.20%	20.30%
Fuel/Kerosene	33.60%	15.2	25.10%	32.70%	25.90%	46.60%	38.90%	47.20%
Coal	2.40%	1.60%	3.70%	2.10%	1.30%	3.20%	3%	4.80%
Wood	13.60%	1.00%	1.10%	4.50%	8.00%	14.60%	11.40%	9.40%
Solar	0.10%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0.10%	0%	0.10%
Other	0.70%	0.20%	0.40%	0.80%	1.10%	0.50%	0.30%	0.50%
No Fuel Used	0.10%	0.10%	0.20%	0.10%	0.10%	0%	0.10%	0%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

House Heating Fuel

From 2007-2009, utility gas was the primary house heating fuel in Bradford, Lackawanna and Luzerne Counties; in Monroe and Pike Counties, electricity was the primary house heating source, while Susquehanna, Wayne and Wyoming Counties relied most on fuel oil/kerosene. Less than 0.2 percent of households used no fuel to heat their homes. Bradford, Susquehanna and Wyoming County were the only counties to report solar energy heating (0.1 percent).

House Heating Fuel 2006-2008								
County	Bradford	Lackawanna	Luzerne	Monroe	Pike	Susquehanna	Wayne	Wyoming
Occupied housing units	ND	86,767	129,204	60,169	23,261	17,167	20,541	11,066
Utility gas	51.30%	63.80%	45.90%	5.80%	8.80%	1.70%	11.60%	2.80%
Bottled, tank or LP gas	3.00%	4.70%	3.60%	11.40%	16.50%	16.80%	14.00%	15.30%
Electricity	16.50%	19.30%	13.20%	42.70%	39.10%	14.70%	21.50%	19.10%
Fuel oil, kerosene, etc.	25.50%	15.40%	26.30%	33.50%	26.50%	49.80%	39.60%	49.80%
Coal or coke	1.40%	1.50%	3.50%	1.70%	0.90%	3.00%	2.90%	4.60%
Wood	1.60%	1.00%	0.80%	4.00%	7.60%	13.50%	10.30%	8.00%
Solar energy	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%	0.10%
Other fuel	0.40%	0.20%	0.40%	0.80%	0.50%	0.50%	0.10%	0.30%
No fuel used	0.20%	0.10%	0.10%	0.10%	0.20%	0.00%	0.00%	0.10%

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Electricity	11.80%	14.40%	19.60%	40.20%	36.50%	15.50%	20.20%	20.30%
Fuel/Kerosene	33.60%	15.2	25.10%	32.70%	25.90%	46.60%	38.90%	47.20%
Coal	2.40%	1.60%	3.70%	2.10%	1.30%	3.20%	3%	4.80%
Wood	13.60%	1.00%	1.10%	4.50%	8.00%	14.60%	11.40%	9.40%
Solar	0.10%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0.10%	0%	0.10%
Other	0.70%	0.20%	0.40%	0.80%	1.10%	0.50%	0.30%	0.50%
No Fuel Used	0.10%	0.10%	0.20%	0.10%	0.10%	0%	0.10%	0%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Housing Values

At \$206,400 and \$217,900, respectively, median housing values were the highest in Monroe and Pike Counties. Bradford, Lackawanna, Luzerne and Susquehanna Counties reported the largest majority of housing values within the \$50,000 to \$149,000 range. Monroe, Pike and Wayne Counties reported that the majority of their housing values fell into the \$150,000 to \$299,000 range.

Housing Value 2000								
County	Bradford	Lackawanna	Luzerne	Monroe	Pike	Susquehanna	Wayne	Wyoming
Units	ND	56,085	91,190	47,436	19,723	13,076	16,425	8,477
Less than \$50,000	18.70%	5.50%	10.40%	2.80%	1.40%	11.70%	7.30%	8.80%
\$50,000 to \$99,999	60.10%	27.70%	33.70%	3.80%	4.30%	26.20%	12.00%	21.60%
\$100,000 to \$149,999	14.60%	24.30%	23.50%	17.60%	14.40%	23.30%	20.20%	26.10%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	3.00%	20.30%	15.30%	22.10%	23.90%	15.20%	22.40%	22.20%
\$200,000 to \$299,999	2.60%	12.70%	10.70%	33.60%	33.70%	14.60%	21.30%	13.60%
\$300,000 to \$499,999	0.80%	7.60%	4.70%	17.50%	17.40%	6.80%	12.00%	5.20%
\$500,000 to \$999,999	0.10%	1.80%	1.40%	2.20%	4.60%	1.60%	3.80%	2.30%
\$1,000,000 or more	0.00%	0.20%	0.30%	0.40%	0.30%	0.60%	1.00%	0.20%
Median value	\$73,900	\$132,400	\$110,800	\$209,100	\$215,900	\$122,400	\$169,400	\$137,300

Housing Value 2008-2010								
County	Bradford	Lackawanna	Luzerne	Monroe	Pike	Susquehanna	Wayne	Wyoming
Units	18,606	57,054	91,484	48,855	18,717	13,649	15,802	8,496
Less than \$50,000	15.50%	6.10%	9.70%	3.10%	2.30%	11.90%	6.90%	9.70%
\$50,000 to \$99,000	33.70%	25.60%	33.40%	6.90%	5.00%	24.60%	12.90%	19.30%
\$100,000 to \$149,999	20.60%	23.50%	23.10%	15.50%	13.30%	23.40%	18.50%	25.10%
\$150,000 to \$199,999	13.20%	20.00%	15.80%	21.90%	23.00%	14.60%	21.50%	20.70%
\$200,000 to \$299,999	9.70%	14.90%	11.50%	33.60%	32.60%	15.30%	22.80%	16.80%
\$300,000 to \$499,999	4.70%	7.65%	4.80%	16.10%	18.60%	7.40%	12.20%	5.80%
\$500,000 to \$999,999	2.10%	2.10%	1.40%	2.40%	4.40%	2.10%	3.70%	1.70%
\$1,000,000 or more	0.50%	0.30%	0.30%	0.50%	0.80%	0.80%	1.40%	0.90%
Median Value	\$101,700	\$137,100	\$113,300	\$206,400	\$217,900	\$124,400	\$173,600	\$140,800

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Housing Size

The median number of rooms per housing unit was close among the study area counties. From 2006-2010, at 5.6, Pike County had the lowest number of rooms per housing unit, while Bradford County reported the highest at 6.1. Average household sizes increased in both owner-occupied and renter-occupied units across the study area.

Housing Size 2000			
County	Median rooms	Average household	Average household size of renter-occupied unit
Bradford	5.9	2.62	2.23
Lackawanna	5.8	2.49	1.98
Luzerne	5.8	2.47	2.03
Monroe	5.9	2.73	2.03
Pike	5.5	2.56	2.12
Susquehanna	5.9	2.4	2.08
Wayne	5.7	2.38	2.04
Wyoming	5.9	2.57	2.16
Statewide	5.8	2.62	2.12
Housing Size 2008-2010			
County	Median Rooms	Avg. Household	Avg. Household size of Renter-occupied Unit
Bradford	6.1	2.56	2.26
Lackawanna	5.9	2.53	2.06
Luzerne	5.9	2.48	2.1
Monroe	6	2.77	2.62
Pike	5.6	2.61	2.26
Susquehanna	5.9	2.53	2.27
Wayne	5.8	2.5	2.27
Wyoming	5.8	2.59	2.26
Statewide	5.9	2.6	2.15

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Mortgage Status

Throughout the study region, more owner-occupied housing units had mortgages. From 2008-2010, 74.1 percent of Monroe County units were mortgaged, followed by 71.6 percent for Pike County. Susquehanna and Bradford Counties reported the lowest percentages of housing units mortgaged at 53.5 percent and 52.8 percent respectively.

Mortgage Status 2000			
County	Owner-occupied units	Housing units with a mortgage	Housing units without a mortgage
Bradford	ND	57.80%	42.20%
Lackawanna	56,085	56.00%	44.00%
Luzerne	91,190	56.70%	43.30%
Monroe	47,436	75.40%	24.60%
Pike	19,723	71.10%	28.90%
Susquehanna	13,076	59.00%	41.00%
Wayne	16,425	57.50%	42.50%
Wyoming	8,477	60.80%	39.20%
Statewide	2,889,484	62.20%	37.80%
Mortgage Status 2008-2010			
County	Owner-Occupied Units	Housing units with a mortgage	Housing units without a mortgage
Bradford	18,606	52.80%	47.20%
Lackawanna	57,054	56.90%	43.10%
Luzerne	91,484	57.00%	43.00%
Monroe	48,855	74.10%	25.90%
Pike	18,717	71.60%	28.40%
Susquehanna	13,649	53.50%	46.50%
Wayne	15,802	57.00%	43.00%
Wyoming	8,496	59.30%	40.70%
Statewide	2,213,280	63.10%	36.90%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Median Rent

For 2005 and 2009-2010, median rent was highest in Pike County, where it averaged \$977 per month. Monroe County followed closely, with a median rent of \$924 per month. Overall, median rent increased only slightly among the eight counties examined. Pike County reported a slight decrease of \$18 per month, while Bradford County reported a decrease of \$179 per month, making it the county with the lowest reported median rent in the region.

Median Rent Dollars			
County	2006-2006	2008-2010	Difference
Bradford	\$728	\$549	-\$179
Lackawanna	\$610	\$623	\$13
Luzerne	\$588	\$599	\$11
Monroe	\$911	\$936	\$25
Pike	\$986	\$968	-\$18
Susquehanna	\$576	\$603	\$27
Wayne	\$655	\$691	\$36
Wyoming	\$616	\$624	\$8
Statewide	\$647	\$763	\$116

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Gross Rent

Renters in Pike County reported the largest income to rent ratio, with 51.4 percent of renters spending 35 percent or more of their income on rent. Renters in Wyoming County had the lowest income to rent ratio, whereby 27.6 percent of renters spent 35 percent or more of their income on rent.

Gross Rent As A Percentage of Household Income (GRAPI) 2000								
County	Bradford	Lackawanna	Luzerne	Monroe	Pike	Susquehanna	Wayne	Wyoming
Occupied units paying rent (excluding where GRAPI cannot be computed)	5,537	27,894	33,674	11,679	3,014	3,388	3,305	2,178
Less than 15 percent	22.00%	17.30%	16.60%	12.00%	8.60%	22.90%	12.10%	23.20%
15.0 to 19.9 percent	12.90%	13.10%	15.50%	13.00%	10.30%	13.90%	13.60%	13.10%
20.0 to 24.9 percent	11.50%	14.20%	12.10%	12.60%	12.70%	16.00%	12.00%	14.80%
25.0 to 29.9 percent	11.70%	11.50%	11.10%	11.80%	12.10%	11.10%	12.80%	15.10%
30.0 to 34.9 percent	6.60%	9.20%	10.50%	6.10%	5.30%	8.10%	13.00%	10.30%
35 percent or more	22.50%	34.70%	34.10%	44.50%	51.00%	28.00%	36.50%	23.60%
Not computed	713	2,788	4,340	1,034	524	703	811	411

Gross Rent As A Percentage of Household Income (GRAPI) 2008-2010								
County	Bradford	Lackawanna	Luzerne	Monroe	Pike	Susquehanna	Wayne	Wyoming
Occupied Units paying rent (excluding where GRAPI cannot be computed)	5,302	26,687	34,833	10,300	3,032	2,906	3,201	2,143
Less than 15 percent	16.70%	17.00%	15.90%	13.90%	9.40%	21.30%	14.00%	18.60%
15.0 to 19.9 percent	14.30%	13.60%	14.70%	12.60%	9.50%	12.00%	11.90%	13.60%
20.0 to 24.9 percent	14.00%	13.70%	11.80%	11.20%	11.00%	12.50%	9.60%	14.30%
25.0 to 29.9 percent	12.10%	11.60%	11.10%	13.70%	12.20%	11.40%	12.40%	17.30%
30.0 to 34.9 percent	9.90%	9.10%	10.60%	5.50%	6.60%	9.80%	11.50%	8.60%
35 percent or more	33.10%	34.90%	35.80%	43.00%	51.40%	32.90%	40.60%	27.60%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Languages

The majority of northeastern Pennsylvania residents spoke only English at home. In Lackawanna and Luzerne Counties, approximately 8 percent of residents spoke a language other than English at home. By comparison, in Monroe County, 14.7 percent of residents spoke a language other than English at home, which was the highest among the counties examined.

Language Spoken At Home 2006-2008							
County	Population 5+ years	English only	Languages other than English	Spanish or Spanish Creole	Other Indo-European Languages	Asian & Pacific Islander languages	Other Languages
Bradford	57,632	98.00%	2.00%	0.70%	0.90%	0.20%	0.10%
Lackawanna	197,925	94.30%	5.70%	2.30%	2.70%	0.50%	0.20%
Luzerne	295,636	94.10%	5.90%	3.10%	2.20%	0.40%	0.10%
Monroe	155,425	86.30%	13.70%	7.60%	4.50%	0.80%	0.70%
Pike	56,072	90.60%	9.40%	4.70%	3.70%	0.60%	0.40%
Susquehanna	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Wayne	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Wyoming	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Statewide	11,686,497	90.70%	9.30%	3.80%	3.60%	1.50%	0.50%
Languages Spoken at Home 2008-2010							
County	Population 5+ years	English only	Languages Other than English	Spanish or Spanish Creole	Other Indo-European Languages	Asian & Pacific Islander languages	Other Languages
Bradford	58,650	97.10%	2.90%	1.40%	1.10%	0.30%	0.10%
Lackawanna	202,616	91.80%	8.20%	3.60%	3.40%	0.80%	0.40%
Luzerne	303,614	92.70%	7.30%	4.50%	2.30%	0.40%	0.10%
Monroe	160,474	85.30%	14.70%	7.60%	5.00%	1.00%	1.10%
Pike	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Susquehanna	97,142	97.40%	2.60%	1.10%	1.30%	0.10%	0.10%
Wayne	50,089	94.00%	6.00%	2.90%	2.20%	0.50%	0.40%
Wyoming	26,754	97.20%	2.80%	1.30%	N/A	N/A	N/A
Statewide	11,933,853	90.00%	10.00%	4.20%	3.60%	1.70%	0.50%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Ancestry

The region's primary ancestries were German, Irish, Italian, Polish and English. Approximately 7.6 percent of Wayne County's population was Native American, compared to 1.5 percent for Pike County. Additionally, the French, Dutch and Welsh comprised the next highest tier of predominant ancestries in the region. Sub-Saharan Africans averaged less than 0.3 percent of northeastern Pennsylvania's total population.

Ancestry 2006-2008								
County	Bradford	Lackawanna	Luzerne	Monroe	Pike	Susquehanna	Wayne	Wyoming
Total population	61,387	209,194	311,752	164,080	58,469	41,070	51,752	27,799
American	7.00%	2.00%	3.70%	2.70%	3.80%	4.10%	3.40%	6.10%
Arab	0.10%	0.50%	1.00%	0.60%	0.10%	0.10%	0.60%	0.10%
Czech	0.20%	0.40%	0.60%	0.40%	0.50%	0.30%	0.40%	0.30%
Danish	0.10%	0.30%	0.10%	0.20%	0.30%	0.20%	0.40%	0.30%
Dutch	4.10%	1.10%	3.20%	2.50%	3.50%	3.80%	2.10%	3.80%
English	15.70%	8.00%	7.40%	7.60%	9.50%	19.70%	14.50%	15.70%
French	2.70%	1.10%	1.40%	1.70%	3.00%	3.80%	2.60%	3.20%
French Canadian	0.40%	0.20%	0.10%	0.30%	0.30%	0.40%	0.30%	0.10%
German	24.70%	19.10%	18.20%	24.00%	24.40%	23.90%	34.50%	25.80%
Greek	0.30%	0.30%	0.90%	0.90%	0.90%	0.40%	0.80%	0.40%
Hungarian	0.30%	1.00%	0.90%	1.20%	1.60%	0.60%	0.80%	0.70%
Irish	16.50%	28.50%	20.00%	18.30%	22.40%	20.80%	24.80%	19.70%
Italian	7.50%	25.30%	17.80%	17.80%	22.90%	11.20%	12.10%	12.50%
Lithuanian	0.30%	2.00%	3.60%	0.50%	0.80%	1.30%	1.30%	2.90%
Norwegian	0.40%	0.20%	0.20%	0.80%	1.00%	0.30%	1.10%	0.20%
Polish	3.60%	19.40%	24.70%	6.30%	8.20%	10.30%	10.40%	13.80%
Portuguese	0.00%	0.10%	0.10%	0.50%	0.60%	0.70%	0.10%	0.00%
Russian	0.30%	4.80%	3.40%	1.60%	2.10%	1.90%	2.60%	2.00%
Scotch-Irish	1.90%	0.80%	0.60%	1.20%	0.90%	1.70%	1.40%	1.30%
Scottish	2.00%	1.50%	1.00%	1.50%	2.20%	2.50%	1.80%	1.40%
Slovak	0.30%	3.40%	6.20%	0.70%	0.80%	1.90%	1.40%	2.50%
Sub-Saharan African	0.10%	0.10%	0.10%	0.60%	0.60%	0.00%	0.20%	0.00%
Swedish	1.40%	0.40%	0.40%	1.20%	1.20%	1.10%	0.40%	1.00%
Swiss	0.30%	0.30%	0.10%	0.10%	0.60%	0.60%	0.50%	0.30%
Ukrainian	0.70%	1.80%	1.20%	0.70%	1.20%	0.80%	0.80%	0.40%
Welsh	2.40%	6.60%	5.20%	1.40%	1.00%	5.70%	3.50%	6.60%
West Indian (excluding Hispanic origin)	0.00%	0.10%	0.20%	1.60%	1.60%	0.10%	0.50%	0.50%

Ancestry 2008-2010								
County	Bradford	Lackawanna	Luzerne	Monroe	Pike	Susquehanna	Wayne	Wyoming
Total Population	62,462	214,183	320,177	169,287	57,580	43,343	52,380	28,276
American	6.90%	2.30%	2.80%	3.10%	1.50%	3.20%	7.60%	6.20%
Arab	0.10%	0.80%	0.70%	1.30%	0.00%	0.00%	0.50%	0.20%
Czech	0.20%	0.30%	0.50%	0.40%	0.50%	0.20%	0.4%	0.40%
Danish	0.20%	0.10%	0.10%	0.20%	0.60%	0.20%	0.40%	0.20%
Dutch	5.20%	1.20%	2.60%	2.20%	3.90%	3.80%	2.80%	4.00%
English	17.00%	7.20%	6.60%	6.90%	10.20%	20.20%	12.60%	13.00%
French	3.40%	1.10%	1.40%	1.80%	3.30%	3.60%	2.40%	2.40%
French Canadian	0.40%	0.20%	0.10%	0.30%	0.60%	0.30%	0.20%	0.30%
German	22.90%	18.10%	18.90%	22.90%	24.90%	25.10%	32.40%	26.10%
Greek	0.20%	0.30%	0.60%	1.00%	0.80%	0.10%	0.40%	0.2%
Hungarian	0.40%	0.60%	0.90%	1.10%	1.30%	0.40%	0.80%	0.50%
Irish	16.20%	27.60%	20.20%	17.20%	22.80%	22.30%	23.50%	20.20%
Italian	7.40%	24.30%	17.30%	16.00%	23.30%	10.10%	12.10%	10.30%
Lithuanian	0.20%	2.00%	3.30%	0.50%	0.70%	1.20%	1.00%	3.50%
Norwegian	0.30%	0.20%	0.20%	0.70%	1.00%	0.30%	0.80%	0.30%
Polish	4.30%	18.30%	22.70%	6.70%	8.50%	8.80%	10.70%	12.80%
Portuguese	0.00%	0.20%	0.10%	0.20%	0.20%	0.50%	0.20%	0.00%
Russian	0.40%	4.10%	3.20%	1.50%	2.30%	2.20%	1.70%	1.60%
Scotch-Irish	0.90%	0.40%	0.50%	0.50%	0.60%	1.50%	0.80%	1.10%
Scottish	2.10%	1.10%	1.00%	1.40%	2.60%	2.30%	1.50%	2.00%
Slovak	0.40%	3.20%	5.70%	0.70%	0.50%	2.30%	1.60%	2.20%
Sub-Saharan African	0.10%	0.10%	0.20%	0.80%	0.20%	0.00%	0.10%	0.40%
Swedish	1.00%	0.60%	0.40%	0.80%	0.60%	1.00%	0.60%	0.90%
Swiss	0.50%	0.20%	0.20%	0.20%	0.50%	0.40%	0.40%	0.40%
Ukrainian	1.00%	1.90%	1.10%	1.10%	1.30%	0.60%	0.40%	0.30%
Welsh	2.70%	5.90%	4.80%	1.50%	1.30%	4.90%	1.90%	6.40%
West Indian (not Hispanic origin)	0.10%	0.10%	0.30%	2.60%	0.40%	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Race and Ethnicity

In 2008-2010, Monroe County was the study area's most racially diverse county – with a non-Caucasian population of 28.7 percent . Bradford and Wyoming Counties were the least diverse, with each reporting non-Caucasian populations of less than 3 percent. Monroe County reported the largest African-American and Hispanic populations, totaling 26.3 percent, a 2.4 percent increase over the ten-year-period. Pike County reported the second largest African-American population — at 5.8 percent, and the second largest Hispanic population – at 9.0 percent. Asians and Native Americans comprised less than 0.6 percent of the study area's total population.

Race & Ethnicity 2000					
County	White/Non-Hispanic	Black/African American	Hispanic	Asian	American Indian
Bradford	97.90%	0.40%	0.60%	0.50%	0.30%
Lackawanna	95.10%	1.90%	2.90%	1.00%	0.10%
Luzerne	94.40%	2.50%	3.80%	0.80%	0.10%
Monroe	80.40%	12.20%	11.70%	2.10%	0.20%
Pike	90.60%	5.00%	7.90%	1.30%	0.10%
Susquehanna	98.30%	0.50%	1.10%	0.20%	0.10%
Wayne	95.10%	2.60%	2.90%	0.70%	0.20%
Wyoming	97.60%	0.60%	1.20%	0.50%	0.10%
Statewide	88.40%	6.30%	3.10%	2.10%	0.10%

Race & Ethnicity 2008-2010					
County	White/Non-Hispanic	Black/African American	Hispanic	Asian	American Indian
Bradford	96.70%	0.50%	1.10%	0.50%	0.20%
Lackawanna	89.70%	2.50%	5.00%	1.70%	0.20%
Luzerne	88.20%	3.40%	6.70%	1.00%	0.20%
Monroe	70.50%	13.20%	13.10%	2.10%	0.30%
Pike	82.90%	5.80%	9.00%	1.00%	0.30%
Susquehanna	97.10%	0.40%	1.30%	0.30%	0.10%
Wayne	92.00%	3.10%	3.40%	0.50%	0.20%
Wyoming	96.40%	0.70%	1.50%	0.30%	0.20%
Statewide	82.60%	10.80%	5.70%	3.10%	0.20%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Residence

Pike County residents were most likely to have lived in a different state one year ago. Residents of Wyoming County were least likely to have lived in a different state one year ago.

Residence 1 Year Ago 2006-2008							
County	Population 1 year and over	Different house in the U.S.	Same county	Different county	Same state	Different state	Abroad
Bradford	60,517	11.70%	7.90%	3.90%	2.00%	1.90%	0.10%
Lackawanna	207,060	12.40%	7.70%	4.70%	2.60%	2.10%	0.20%
Luzerne	309,085	11.70%	7.80%	3.80%	1.90%	1.90%	0.20%
Monroe	162,371	10.80%	5.00%	5.80%	2.50%	3.30%	0.30%
Pike	58,046	11.10%	3.30%	7.70%	2.00%	5.70%	0.00%
Susquehanna	40,796	10.20%	5.70%	4.50%	2.40%	2.10%	0.10%
Wayne	51,240	9.40%	2.50%	6.90%	3.50%	3.40%	0.30%
Wyoming	27,417	10.30%	6.00%	4.30%	3.50%	0.80%	0.00%
Statewide	12,273,137	12.40%	7.60%	4.80%	2.80%	2.00%	0.40%
Residence 1 Year Ago 2008-2010							
County	Population 1 Year and over	Different House in the U.S.	Same County	Different County	Same State	Different State	Abroad
Bradford	61,794	10.20%	6.80%	3.50%	1.50%	2.00%	0.10%
Lackawanna	211,976	11.30%	7.00%	4.30%	2.30%	2.00%	0.40%
Luzerne	316,886	11.50%	7.80%	3.80%	2.00%	1.70%	0.30%
Monroe	167,311	10.00%	4.70%	5.20%	2.10%	3.10%	0.20%
Pike	57,221	8.40%	3.60%	4.80%	1.60%	3.20%	0.10%
Susquehanna	43,040	10.20%	6.50%	3.70%	1.90%	1.80%	0.10%
Wayne	51,958	10.80%	3.10%	7.70%	4.70%	3.00%	0.20%
Wyoming	27,997	8.70%	3.90%	4.70%	3.70%	1.10%	0.00%
Statewide	12,525,015	11.90%	7.40%	4.60%	2.70%	1.90%	0.40%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Place of Birth

From 2008-2010, the majority of northeastern Pennsylvania residents were born in the United States. Approximately 98.2 percent of Bradford County residents were born in the U.S., which was the study area's highest percentage. Monroe County reported the greatest percentage of foreign-born residents — at 9.7 percent, while Wyoming reported the lowest — at 1.3 percent. Pike, Susquehanna and Wayne Counties were the only counties within the study area where the majority of current residents were born in another state.

Place of Birth 2006-2008							
County	Total Population	Native	Born in the U.S.	State of residence	Different state	Born in Puerto Rico, U.S. Island areas, or abroad to American Parents	Foreign born
Bradford	61,387	98.80%	98.50%	73.60%	25.00%	0.30%	1.20%
Lackawanna	209,194	96.80%	95.80%	80.20%	15.60%	1.00%	3.20%
Luzerne	311,752	96.90%	96.10%	82.00%	14.00%	0.80%	3.10%
Monroe	164,080	91.00%	89.20%	37.10%	52.20%	1.80%	9.00%
Pike	58,469	93.40%	91.20%	16.50%	74.70%	2.20%	6.60%
Susquehanna	41,070	98.40%	98.00%	60.10%	37.90%	0.40%	1.60%
Wayne	51,752	96.30%	95.20%	56.80%	38.40%	1.10%	3.70%
Wyoming	27,799	98.60%	98.20%	80.80%	17.40%	0.30%	1.40%
Statewide	12,418,756	94.70%	93.40%	75.20%	18.20%	1.40%	5.30%
Place of Birth 2008-2010							
County	Total Population	Native	Born in the U.S.	State of Residence	Different State	Born in Puerto Rico, US Islands or abroad to American Parents	Foreign Born
Bradford	62,462	98.50%	98.20%	72.70%	25.40%	0.30%	1.50%
Lackawanna	214,183	95.50%	94.10%	78.20%	15.90%	1.40%	4.50%
Luzerne	320,177	95.50%	94.40%	79.60%	14.80%	1.10%	4.50%
Monroe	169,287	90.30%	88.20%	37.10%	51.1	2.10%	9.70%
Pike	57,580	94.30%	92.40%	17.90%	74.50%	1.90%	5.70%
Susquehanna	43,343	98.30%	97.80%	60.50%	37.40%	0.50%	1.70%
Wayne	52,380	96.40%	95.10%	59.70%	35.40%	1.30%	3.60%
Wyoming	28,276	98.70%	98.20%	82.10%	16.00%	0.60%	1.30%
Statewide	12,662,926	94.30%	92.80%	74.20%	18.60%	1.50%	5.70%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Citizenship

Approximately 66.5 percent of Wayne County's foreign-born population is comprised of naturalized U.S. Citizens – which represent the highest among the counties examined. In Monroe County, 64.5 percent of the foreign-born population is naturalized. Susquehanna and Pike Counties reported over 64.0 percent and 59.3 percent of their respective foreign-born populations were naturalized U.S. citizens. In recent years, the foreign-born, naturalized citizen populations in Lackawanna and Luzerne Counties decreased by approximately 10 percent.

U.S. Citizenship Status 2006-2008			
County	Foreign-born population	Naturalized U.S. citizens	Not a U.S. citizen
Bradford	720	51.90%	48.10%
Lackawanna	6,621	49.40%	50.60%
Luzerne	9,765	50.10%	49.90%
Monroe	14,730	61.20%	38.80%
Pike	3,839	65.90%	34.10%
Susquehanna	660	76.20%	23.80%
Wayne	1,929	62.50%	37.50%
Wyoming	397	58.70%	41.30%
Statewide	652,695	49.70%	50.30%
U.S. Citizenship Status 2008-2010			
County	Foreign-born Population	Naturalized U.S. Citizen	Not a U.S. Citizen
Bradford	940	41.90%	58.10%
Lackawanna	9,691	37.70%	62.30%
Luzerne	14,477	41.70%	58.30%
Monroe	16,496	64.50%	35.50%
Pike	3,308	59.30%	40.70%
Susquehanna	734	64.00%	36.00%
Wayne	1,901	66.50%	33.50%
Wyoming	359	30.10%	69.90%
Statewide	720,189	49.20%	50.80%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Year of Entry

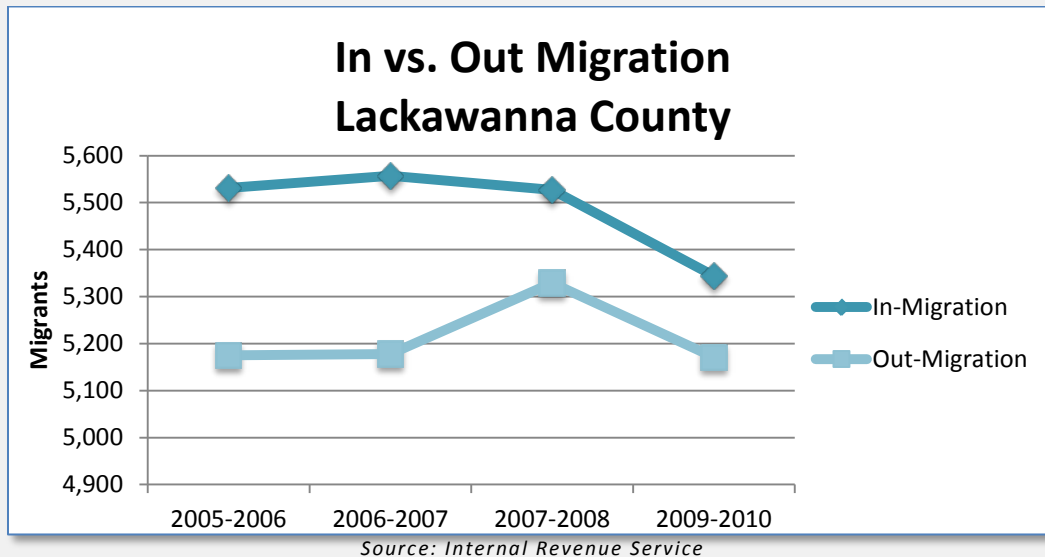
From 2008-2010, Monroe County had the highest number of residents born outside of the U.S. The majority of these residents entered the county prior to the year 2000; but on average throughout the study area, 24 percent entered in the year 2000 or later. From 2006-2008, 100 percent of Susquehanna and Wyoming Counties' foreign-born populations entered the U.S. prior to the year 2000.

Year of Entry 2006-2008						
County	Population born outside the U.S.	Native	Entered 2000 or later	Entered before 2000	Foreign born	Entered 2000 or later
Bradford	897	177	0.00%	100.00%	720	38.50%
Lackawanna	8,743	2,122	49.70%	50.30%	6,621	39.30%
Luzerne	12,244	2,479	8.90%	91.10%	9,765	24.10%
Monroe	17,700	2,970	8.60%	91.40%	14,730	17.10%
Pike	5,140	1,301	22.00%	78.00%	3,839	7.00%
Susquehanna	829	169	0.00%	100.00%	660	11.70%
Wayne	2,482	553	11.90%	88.10%	1,929	11.50%
Wyoming	489	92	0.00%	100.00%	397	16.60%
Statewide	824,209	171,514	20.50%	69.50%	652,695	30.50%
Year of Entry 2008-2010						
County	Population Born Outside U.S.	Native	Entered 2000 or later	Entered before 2000	Foreign Born	Entered 2000 or later
Bradford	1,153	213	13.10%	86.90%	940	48.20%
Lackawanna	12,600	2,909	42.90%	57.10%	9,691	47.00%
Luzerne	18,049	3,572	26.70%	73.30%	14,477	36.30%
Monroe	19,976	3,480	8.80%	91.20%	16,496	20.30%
Pike	4,377	1,069	15.30%	84.70%	3,308	13.00%
Susquehanna	933	199	18.60%	81.40%	734	11.30%
Wayne	2,572	671	16.50%	83.50%	1,901	11.70%
Wyoming	515	156	50.00%	50.00%	359	34.30%
Statewide	915,289	195,100	25.70%	74.30%	720,189	37.10%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau

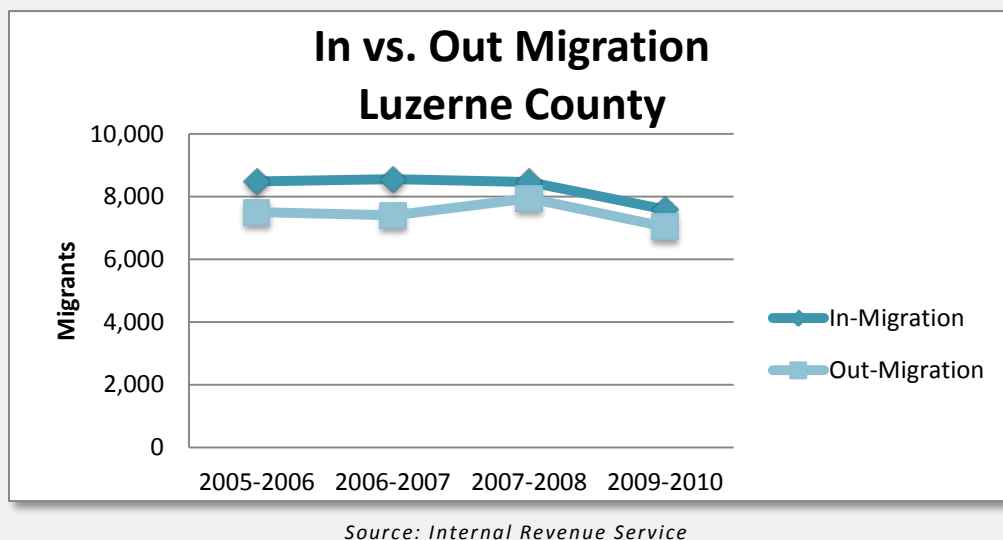
Lackawanna County Migration

Lackawanna County experienced an overall increase in residents due to migration. During each year examined, the county reported higher in-migration than out-migration. Lackawanna County reported the highest in-migration between 2006-2007, when 5,557 individuals located to the county. During the four years examined, the total number of people migrating to the county decreased.



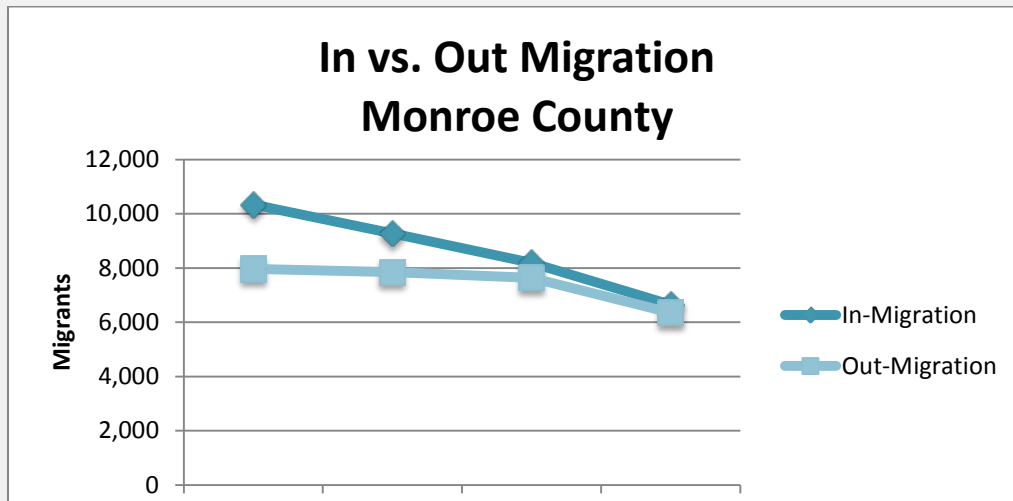
Luzerne County Migration

Over 33,000 individuals migrated into Luzerne County in the four years examined, while nearly 29,900 migrated out. The county reported the highest in-migration of 8,556 residents from 2006-2007. Luzerne County reported the highest net migration gain of 551 from 2009-2010.



Monroe County Migration

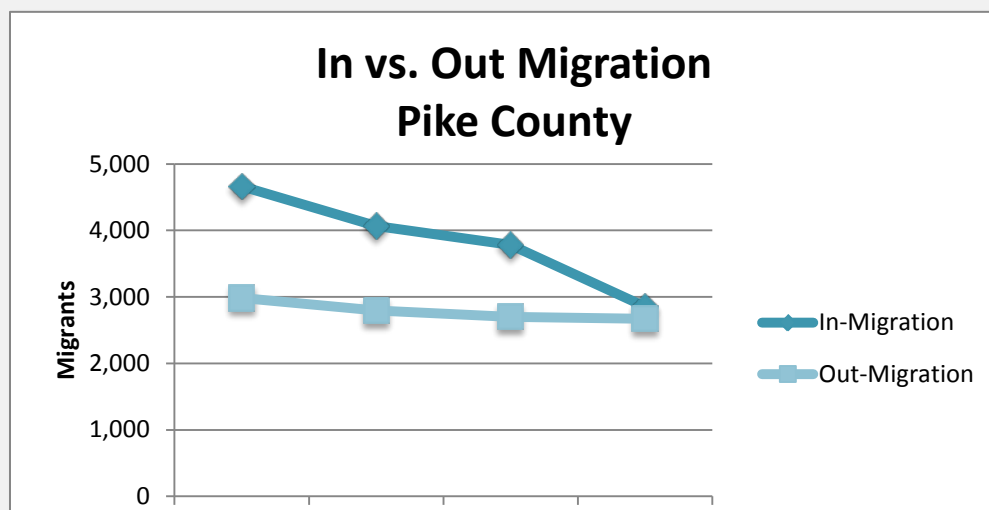
Monroe County had an overall decrease of in- and out-migration over the four years examined. Monroe County saw its highest in-migration in 2005-2006, with 10,334 new residents. In 2009-2010, the county's out-migration declined to 6,357. Overall, net migration has been declining; however, the most recent figures show that the county's in-migration is still higher than out-migration.



Source: Internal Revenue Service

Pike County Migration

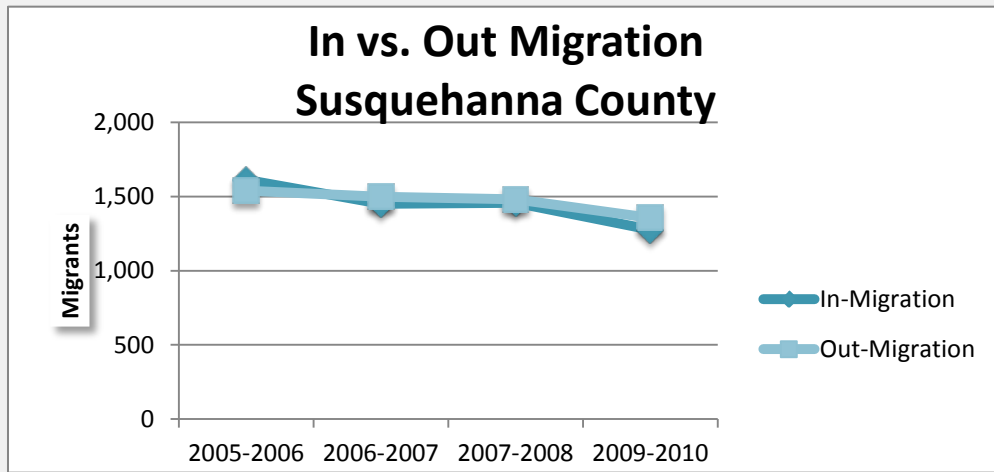
Pike County experienced an overall increase in residents due to migration. During each year examined, the county reported higher in-migration than out-migration. The county's highest level of in-migration occurred between 2005-2006, when 1,679 more individuals located to the county than left.



Source: Internal Revenue Service

Susquehanna County Migration

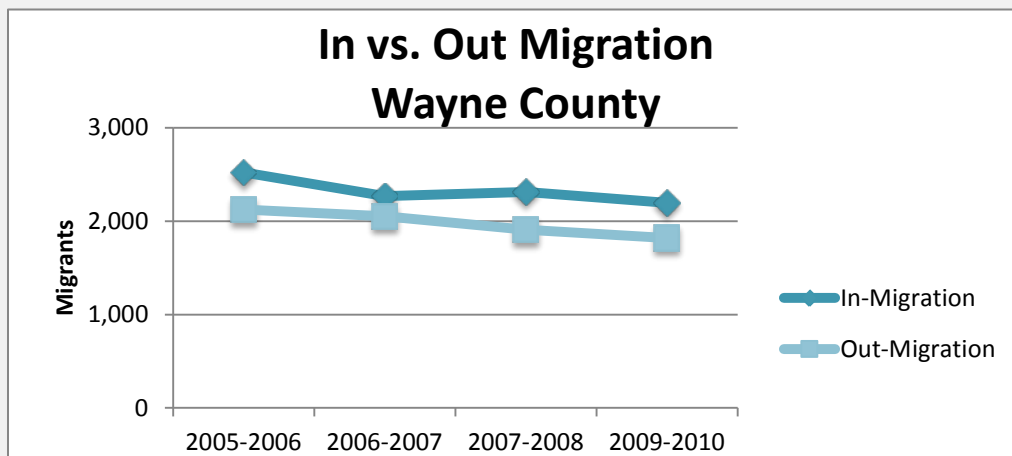
Unlike other counties, Susquehanna County reported greater out-migration than in-migration during several years. Although its in-migration shows an overall decline, Susquehanna County is expected to show increased residents due to Marcellus Shale development.



Source: Internal Revenue Service

Wayne County Migration

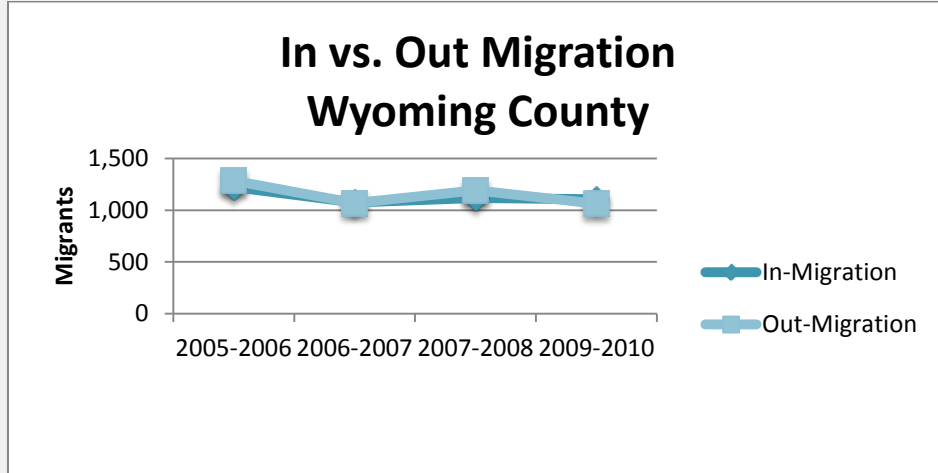
Wayne County reported positive migration growth during each year examined. The county's highest in-migration occurred in 2005-2006, with 2,522 new residents. Its greatest net migration occurred in 2007-2008, with 405 new residents.



Source: Internal Revenue Service

Wyoming County Migration

Wyoming County reported a negative net migration during two of the four years examined. During 2006-2007, the county showed positive net migration of five residents, and in 2009-2010 it showed a positive net migration of 42 residents. The number of in-migrants was highest in 2005-2006, with a total of 1,224. Wayne County showed the least amount of growth among the counties examined.



Source: Internal Revenue Service