

County Population Facts for the State of Hawaii

The U.S. Census Bureau released population estimates at the county level on March 26, 2015. The release contained population data from 2010 to 2014.

The data include total county population and the components of population changes, but no details by age, sex, and race are available at this time.

The following are some interesting facts about Hawaii's population from 2010 onward:

- Annual growth rates. Between July 1, 2010 and July 1, 2014, statewide population grew at a 1.0 percent annual rate. Growth rates for all the neighbor island counties were similar growing at about 1.2 percent per year. The Honolulu County rate was slightly lower at 0.9 percent. The growth of the resident population between July 1, 2010 and July 1, 2014 was mainly due to natural increase (birth less death) and international migration.
- Components of change. The average number of births in the state was 19,029 a year and the average number of deaths was 10,715 per year, resulting in an average natural increase of 8,314 persons per year between 2010 and 2014. There was an average of 8,491 net in-migrants a year from foreign countries. With a net loss of 2,657 people a year to the U.S. mainland, the result was a net gain of 5,834 people a year for the state from migration during the same time period.
- County's share of the state population. The population share among the counties in 2014 remained fairly stable since 2010. Honolulu County's share, however, decreased slightly from 70.1 percent to 69.9 percent over the period 2013 to 2014. Correspondingly, each of the neighbor island counties increased their share of the state by 0.1 percentage point. Hawaii County increased their share of the state population from 13.6 percent to 13.7 percent; Kauai County from 4.9 percent to 5.0 percent; and Maui County from 11.4 percent to 11.5 percent.
- Births. Honolulu County accounted for 71.9 percent of the total births in the state between April 1, 2010 and July 1, 2014. Hawaii County had 12.8 percent, Maui County had 10.7 percent and Kauai County had 4.6 percent of the state total births during the same time period.
- Deaths. Honolulu County had 69.4 percent of the total deaths in the state, Hawaii County had 14.6 percent, Maui County had 10.6 percent, and Kauai County had 5.4 percent of the state's total deaths between April 1, 2010 and July 1, 2014.
- Net migration. Oahu had a net outmigration of 3,797 people to the mainland, which was offset by a net of 6,687 people moving in from foreign countries, leaving a net gain of 2,891 people a year during the July 1, 2010 to July 1, 2014 period. All three other counties had net in-migration both from the mainland and from foreign countries during the July 1, 2010 to July 1, 2014 period. Average net total migration per year during the period was 1,305 for Hawaii County; 1,129 for Maui County; and 510 for Kauai County.