Other Sources of Helpful Information

Cornell University
College of Human Ecology
Program on Applied Demographics
http://pad.human.cornell.edu/

New York State Data Center at Empire State Development Corporation
http://esd.ny.gov/NYSDataCenter.html

New York State Department of Labor Labor Statistics
http://www.labor.ny.gov/stats/index.shtml

New York State Library
http://www.nysl.nysed.gov/

United States Department of Commerce Bureau of the Census
http://www.census.gov/

United States Department of Labor Bureau of Labor Statistics
http://www.bls.gov/
What Can Orange County Demographics Do For Me?

**What is This All About?**

The Orange County Planning Department prepares reports of demographic, economic, and other census data for use by Orange County’s residents, business owners, and municipal officials. Demographic data is information about the people who live in Orange County, by age, gender, race and ethnicity, income, education, and other characteristics. All the information is collected and provided by the United States Census Bureau, a division of the Department of Commerce. This information is free, and available online. Orange County Planning can assist you in obtaining and understanding the information you need.

**How Can This Help My Organization or Business?**

Understanding your customer base is key to operating a successful business. Orange County Planning can prepare data specifically for your business. If you need to know the median family income within a five-mile radius of your office, or how many women in the County work from home, or how many children or teenagers live in your municipality, we can get you that information so that you can have everything you need to make better-informed business decisions.

**What Data is Available?**

Besides basic demographic and housing data, Orange County routinely prepares data reports about municipal building permits, industries and business revenue, agricultural products, employment, commute times and modes of travel.

**Orange County Demographic Profile**

The Orange County Demographic Profile contains data from the 2010 Census and 2006-2010 American Community Survey, the most recent data available about the County’s population. This publication is posted on our website at www.orangecountygov.com/planning at the side tab “Demographics & Census”.

**How else can demographic data help me?**

More often than you may expect, situations may arise in which you need to know the characteristics of your community. Demographic information can make the case for keeping a school open, or closing one, based on the number of children it serves. It can also help bus companies or support services decide where bus routes should go, show what kinds of parks should be built in which areas, and help fire companies get grants for new equipment. Nonprofit organizations use our data for grant applications for everything from public art installations to funding for food pantries. Orange County Planning can provide data to assist in all such efforts, and more.

**How do I request data?**

One of several ways:

1. Visit our website at www.orangecountygov.com/planning. Click on the orange button on the left side of the screen labeled “Demographics & Census”, where our most-frequently requested and most up-to-date information has been posted. If you don’t find the information you need there, that page contains an email link for Megan Tennermann, Planner and County Demographer.

2. Email the Planning Department at planning@orangecountygov.com, or email Megan directly at mtennermann@orangecountygov.com. Please include as much information as possible about your request, and your valid email address or other contact information.

3. Call the main line of the Orange County Planning Department at (845) 615-3840, or call Megan directly at (845) 615-3855.

4. Send a written request for information to: Orange County Planning Department Census and Demographics Division c/o Megan Tennermann, Planner 124 Main Street Goshen NY 10924

Thank you for your interest in demographic information, and please let us know how we can assist you!