

***Welcome to our quarterly newsletter, which aims to inform and educate school administrators on the process of performing enrollment projections and other topics related to school demography.***

As you may have read, the United States Census Bureau is projecting that the country will be “majority-minority” by 2043. In other words, Non-Hispanic Whites will no longer be the majority race. Hispanics are projected to grow by approximately 75 million people in the next 48 years and are the fastest growing racial subgroup.

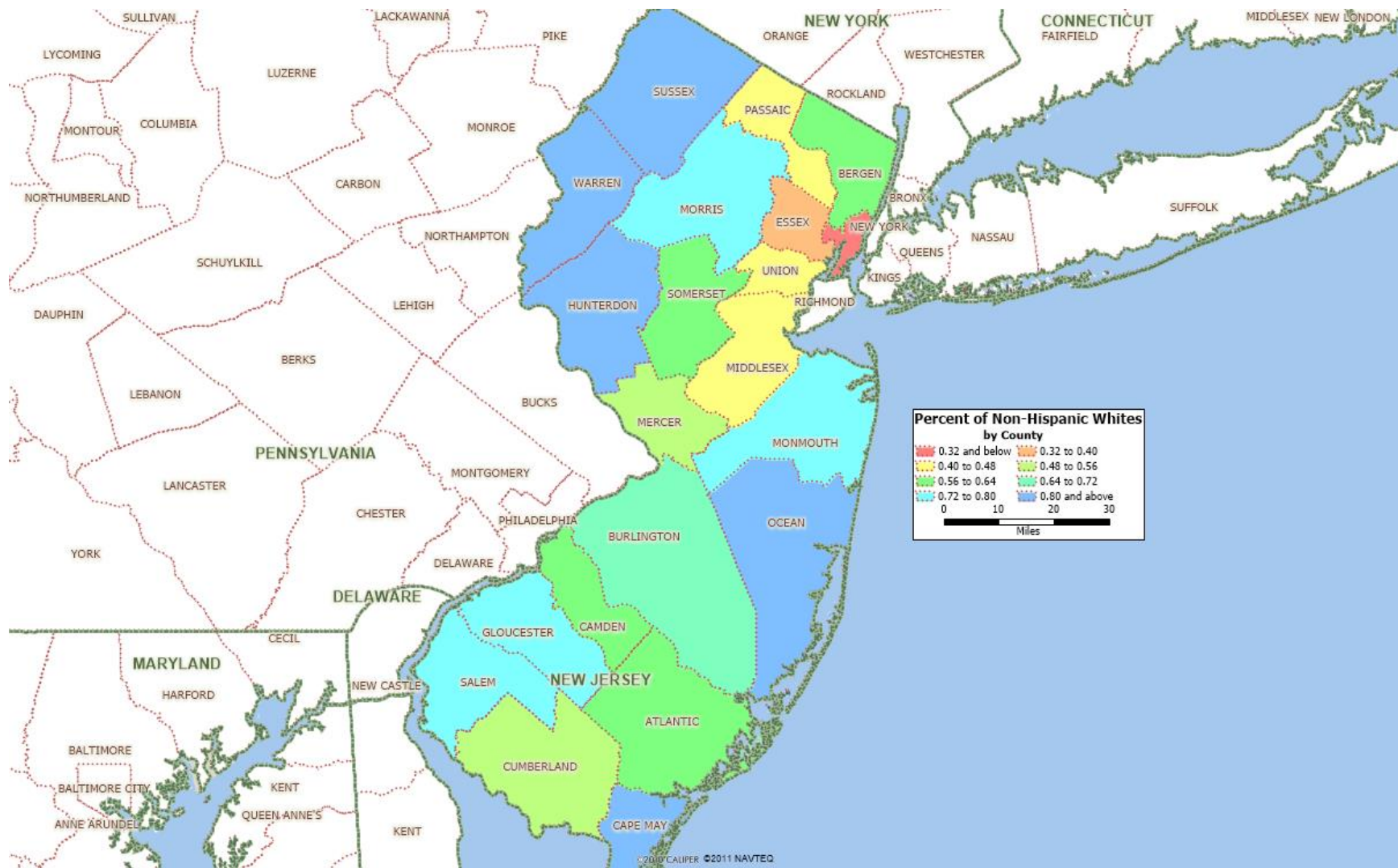
The Census projection caused me to pause and reflect. Knowing that New Jersey is already racially diverse, are there some counties that are already “majority-minority”?

The following table shows the number and percent of Non-Hispanic Whites by county in New Jersey as taken from the 2012 American Community Survey (1-year estimate). Interestingly enough, six counties in the state are already “majority-minority” as their White populations are below 50% and are shown in red below. In order from lowest percentage of Non-Hispanic Whites to the greatest, these six counties are the following: Hudson, Essex, Union, Passaic, Middlesex, and Cumberland. Statewide, New Jersey is approximately 58% Non-Hispanic White.

As Hispanics are projected to be the fastest growing racial subgroup, the table also shows the number and percent of Hispanics or Latinos by county. In order, the largest Hispanic percentages are in Hudson, Passaic, Union, Cumberland, Essex, and Middlesex, which are also the same counties with the smallest Non-Hispanic White percentages.

County	Total Population	White Alone Non-Hispanic	% White Alone Non-Hispanic	Hispanic or Latino	% Hispanic or Latino
Atlantic	275,422	158,738	57.6%	48,830	17.7%
Bergen	918,888	556,046	60.5%	158,724	17.3%
Burlington	451,336	314,093	69.6%	31,889	7.1%
Camden	513,539	303,474	59.1%	77,346	15.1%
Cape May	96,304	83,235	86.4%	6,375	6.6%
Cumberland	157,785	77,488	49.1%	44,305	28.1%
Essex	787,744	254,965	32.4%	167,733	21.3%
Gloucester	289,586	231,508	79.9%	14,990	5.2%
Hudson	652,302	193,117	29.6%	278,120	42.6%
Hunterdon	127,050	110,591	87.0%	7,247	5.7%
Mercer	368,303	195,876	53.2%	58,567	15.9%
Middlesex	823,041	389,739	47.4%	157,231	19.1%
Monmouth	629,384	480,266	76.3%	63,200	10.0%
Morris	497,999	366,682	73.6%	60,177	12.1%
Ocean	580,470	495,452	85.4%	50,384	8.7%
Passaic	502,885	219,914	43.7%	192,553	38.3%
Salem	65,774	49,990	76.0%	4,859	7.4%
Somerset	327,707	197,453	60.3%	44,380	13.5%
Sussex	147,442	129,648	87.9%	10,036	6.8%
Union	543,976	235,796	43.3%	156,154	28.7%
Warren	107,653	90,923	84.5%	8,299	7.7%
<b>State Total</b>	<b>8,864,590</b>	<b>5,134,994</b>	<b>57.9%</b>	<b>1,641,399</b>	<b>18.5%</b>

Shown graphically in the figure following, the lowest percentages of Non-Hispanic Whites are in counties shaded red, orange, or yellow, which are predominantly in northeastern New Jersey.



County	Percent of Non-Hispanic Whites
Atlantic	0.48 to 0.56
Bergen	0.48 to 0.56
Burlington	0.56 to 0.64
Camden	0.48 to 0.56
Cape May	0.80 and above
Cumberland	0.56 to 0.64
Delaware	0.48 to 0.56
Essex	0.32 to 0.40
Gloucester	0.72 to 0.80
Hudson	0.32 and below
Jersey City	0.32 and below
King of Prussia	0.32 and below
Lancaster	0.32 and below
Monmouth	0.72 to 0.80
Morris	0.48 to 0.56
Middlesex	0.40 to 0.48
Northampton	0.32 and below
Passaic	0.40 to 0.48
Richmond	0.40 to 0.48
Salem	0.72 to 0.80
Sussex	0.32 and below
Union	0.40 to 0.48
Warren	0.32 and below
Westchester	0.32 and below
York	0.32 and below

Counties shaded light or dark blue have the greatest percentages of Non-Hispanic Whites, which are located in eastern sections of the Jersey Shore, the northwest, and the southwest sections of the state. It will be interesting to see how many counties shift over to “majority-minority” in 2020 when the next Census is completed.

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