



## BELL COUNTY DEMOGRAPHICS

### Total Population

	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004
Labor Market Area	241,989	242,071	242,389	243,160	243,874
Bell County	30,060	29,873	30,114	29,953	29,672
Middlesboro	10,384	10,247	10,326	10,282	10,192
Pineville	2,093	2,051	2,055	2,038	2,015

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census.

### Population Projections

	2005	2010	2015	2020
Labor Market Area	244,379	246,852	251,214	253,648
Bell County	30,147	29,656	28,907	28,118

Source: Kentucky State Data Center, University of Louisville and Kentucky Cabinet for Economic Development.

### Population by Selected Age Groups, 2000

	Bell County		Labor Market Area	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
Under 18	7,329	24.4	54,894	24.8
18-24	2,708	9.0	20,426	9.2
25-34	4,055	13.5	29,902	13.5
35-44	4,563	15.2	33,431	15.1
45-54	4,191	13.9	31,226	14.1
55-64	3,085	10.3	22,397	10.1
65-74	2,213	7.4	15,665	7.1
75 and older	1,916	6.4	13,389	6.0
Median Age	36.9		36.6	

Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census.

**Population by Race and Hispanic Origin, 2004**

	Bell County		Labor Market Area	
	Number	Percent	Number	Percent
White	28,544	96.2	237,216	97.3
Black	730	2.5	3,801	1.6
Asian, Pacific Islander	114	0.4	636	0.3
American Indian	66	0.2	606	0.2
Hispanic Origin	240	0.8	2,008	0.8

*Note: Hispanic is not a race category. A person can be white, black, etc. and be of hispanic origin.*

*Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census.*

**Personal Income**

	1998	2003	Pct. Change
Bell County	\$15,082	\$17,788	17.9%
Kentucky	\$22,043	\$26,575	20.6%
U.S.	\$26,883	\$31,472	17.1%
Labor Market Area Range	\$12,638 - \$17,986	\$14,871 - \$21,037	

*Source: U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of Economic Analysis.*

**Households**

	2000		2003
	Number of Households	Persons Per Household	Median Household Income
Bell County	12,004	2.4	\$21,160

*U.S. Department of Commerce, Bureau of the Census.*