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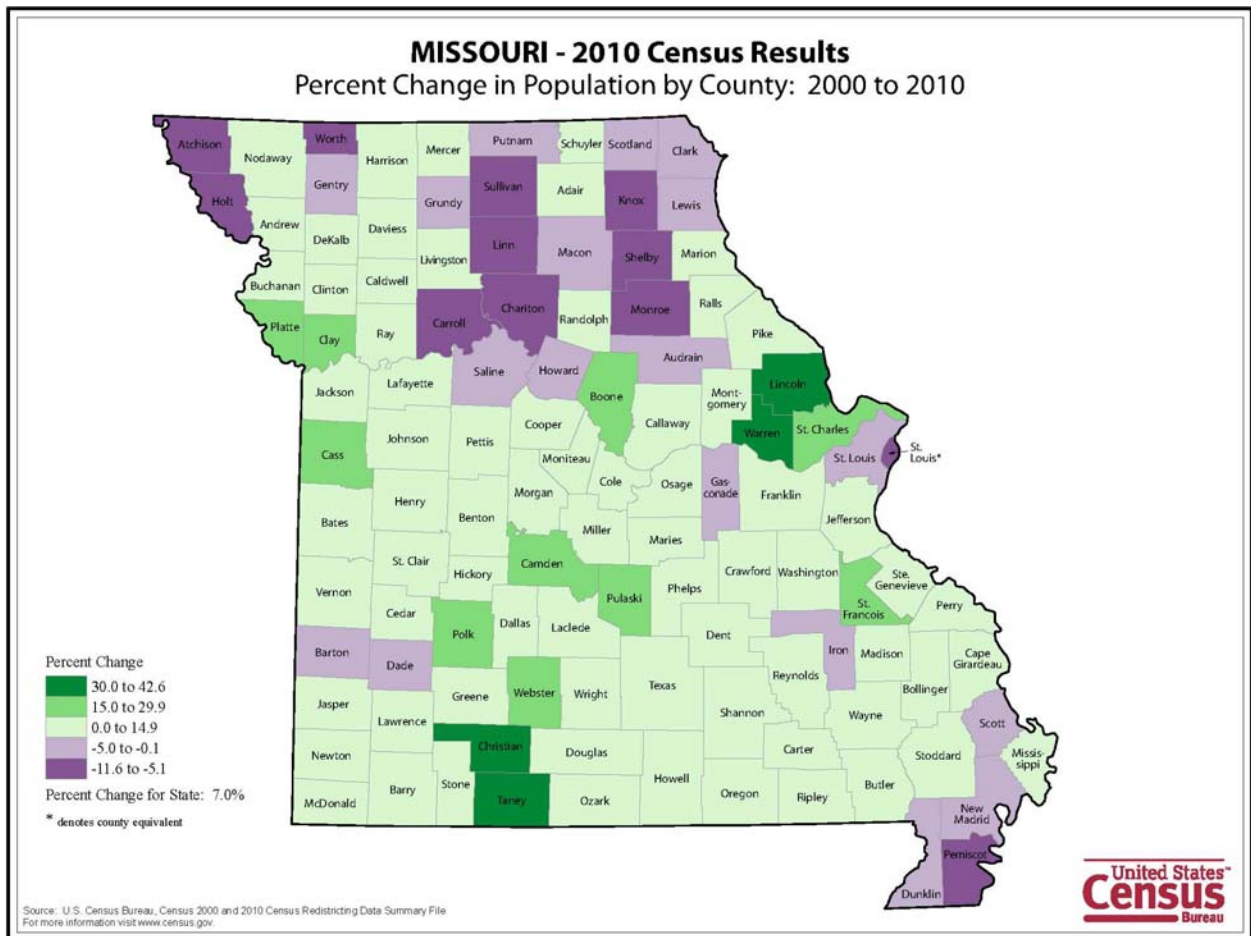
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2010 Census Data Released

The United States Census Bureau has released the 2010 Census data for the State of Missouri. Not surprising, our region has seen significant growth in the past decade. The State has seen significant changes as well. The map below indicates the growth areas of the State and the areas that are losing population. As can be seen in the map below, the collar communities around the metropolitan areas of St. Louis, Kansas City and Springfield continue to grow while the inner cities and urban centers are losing population. The northeast, northwest and southeast corners of the State continue to see population decline, along with the northern tier of counties.

In addition to the Boonslick region, other notable areas of growth are the Ozarks, south of Springfield and Green County and those counties around Fort Leonard Wood and the Lake of the Ozarks.



As a service to our members, BRPC has put together a few reports highlighting the changes that have occurred within our region. Attached to this memo are reports on:

- **County listing of population sorted by the percent of growth over the decade.** This report shows Lincoln and Warren counties, number 2 and 3 in the State as a percent of growth, and Montgomery County shows positive numbers ranking 82nd in the State on percent of growth.
- **A regional listing of cities and counties showing the 2010 Census numbers and the yearly population estimates since 2000.** This report verifies the growth trends that the region has been experiencing over the past decade; with much of the growth occurring in the first 7 years of the decade. Growth has slowed dramatically in the past two years due to the economic conditions of the region, state and country.
- **A table showing population change in the region, sorted by the total population of each jurisdiction.** The region's population has climbed to 97,315 with Lincoln County reporting the largest population of 52,566. The smallest community in the region is the Village of Pendleton with a population of 43.
- **A table showing population change in the region, sorted by percentage of growth between 2000 and 2010.** Our fastest growing cities are Winfield, Wright City and Truesdale, growing by 94%, 89%, and 84% respectively. Several cities have grown by more than 50% causing strains on community services and utilities; however, not all communities in the region have shown an increase. Some of our most rural areas are seeing significant population decline, which may impact the sustainability of some of our smallest cities.

As Census data continues to be released, BRPC will sort through the data to provide relevant information to our communities. Summary file one will be released in June and contains parcel specific data including age, ethnicity, and gender breakdown. This data will allow us to pinpoint specific growth and declining areas. This parcel based data can be used by communities as they begin to plan for reapportionment.

As a reminder, BRPC staff can assist cities and counties with the task of reapportionment and drawing commission boundaries and municipal ward boundaries. Contact our office if you need our assistance.

If you have any specific questions or data needs related to the Census, please contact the office at (636)456-3473.

Thanks,
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