

Population Growth

There has been dramatic population growth in Contra Costa's East County communities.



Table 1. Population Growth in Selected Communities.
Contra Costa, 1990-2000

	% Growth
Brentwood	*208.1%
Antioch	*45.6%
Oakley	*39.4%
Bay Point	*23.4%
San Pablo	*20.1%
Pittsburg	*19.4%
Countywide	18.1%
Richmond	13.5%
Martinez	12.8%
Concord	9.4%
Pinole	9.0%
Walnut Creek	6.2%

* Indicates that the rate of growth in these six communities is greater compared to the county overall.

Contra Costa's population has grown by 18.1%

Five East County communities, Brentwood (208.1%), Antioch (45.6%), Oakley (39.4%), Bay Point (23.4%), and Pittsburg (19.4%) as well as the west county community of San Pablo (20.1%) had growth rates that were higher than the county's growth rate (18.1%).

The community of Brentwood more than tripled its population over the last 10 years, adding a total of 15,739 new residents. San Pablo (located in West County) has grown by 20.1%, adding 5,057 new residents during the last ten years.

Table 2. Number of New Residents by Community, 1990-2000

	2000 Pop.	1990 Pop.	New Residents
Antioch	90,532	62,195	28,337
Brentwood	23,302	7,563	15,739
Richmond	99,216	87,425	11,791
Concord	121,780	111,348	10,432
Pittsburg	56,769	47,564	9,205
Oakley	25,619	18,374	7,245
San Pablo	30,215	25,158	5,057
Bay Point	21,534	17,453	4,081
Martinez	35,866	31,808	4,058
Walnut Creek	64,296	60,569	3,727
Pinole	19,039	17,460	1,579
All Other Communities	360,648	316,815	43,833
Countywide	948,816	803,732	145,084

The largest increase in the number of new residents was in the city of Antioch (28,337).

Two East County communities (Antioch and Brentwood) represented 30.4% of the growth for the entire county, with a combined total of 44,076 new residents.

Richmond has grown 13.5% over the last 10 years with a total of 11,791 new residents.

Data sources

U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000, Summary File 1, Table P1. U.S. Census Bureau, Census 1990, Summary File 1, Table P001