

City of Niles General Demographics 2000 Census		
Subject	Number	Percent
Total population	12,204	100
Gender		
Male	5,708	46.8
Female	6,496	53.2
RACE		
	12,204	100
White	10,030	82.2
Black or African American	1,509	12.4
American Indian and Alaska Native	80	0.7
Asian	63	0.5
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	485	4
Other	37	0.3
HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE		
Average household size	2.35	(X)
Average family size	3.02	(X)
HOUSING OCCUPANCY		
Total housing units	5,531	100
Occupied housing units	5,096	92.1
Vacant housing units	435	7.9
For seasonal, recreational, or occasional use	27	0.5
Homeowner vacancy rate (percent)	2.1	(X)
Rental vacancy rate (percent)	8.9	(X)
HOUSING TENURE		
Occupied housing units	5,096	100
Owner-occupied housing units	3,041	59.7
Renter-occupied housing units	2,055	40.3
Average household size of owner-occupied unit	2.49	(X)
Average household size of renter-occupied unit	2.14	(X)
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT		
Population 25 years and over	7,817	100
Less than 9th grade	364	4.7
9th to 12th grade, no diploma	925	11.8
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	3,061	39.2
Some college, no degree	1,775	22.7
Associate degree	575	7.4
Bachelor's degree	645	8.3
Graduate or professional degree	472	6
Percent high school graduate or higher	83.5	(X)
Percent bachelor's degree or higher	14.3	(X)

EMPLOYMENT STATUS		
Population 16 years and over	9,195	100
In labor force	5,924	64.4
Civilian labor force	5,906	64.2
Employed	5,418	58.9
Unemployed	488	5.3
Percent of civilian labor force	8.3	(X)
Armed Forces	18	0.2
Not in labor force	3,271	35.6
Employed civilian population 16 years and over		
OCCUPATION	5,418	100
Management, professional, and related occupations	1,303	24
Service occupations	917	16.9
Sales and office occupations	1,296	23.9
Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations	10	0.2
Construction, extraction, and maintenance occupations	434	8
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	1,458	26.9
INCOME IN 1999		
Households	5,061	100
Less than \$10,000	562	11.1
\$10,000 to \$14,999	434	8.6
\$15,000 to \$24,999	966	19.1
\$25,000 to \$34,999	830	16.4
\$35,000 to \$49,999	925	18.3
\$50,000 to \$74,999	891	17.6
\$75,000 to \$99,999	238	4.7
\$100,000 to \$149,999	163	3.2
\$150,000 to \$199,999	27	0.5
\$200,000 or more	25	0.5
Median household income (dollars)	31,208	(X)
Per capita income (dollars)	16,584	(X)

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