

Age Distribution

Table 5 for Age Distribution simplifies the change in demographics and the composition of Lexington's population over the past decade. The age ranges combine different age cohorts together. The age cohort for 20 to 29 totaled 1,527 or 15% of the 2010 population. Combined with the 0-19 age cohort, Lexington had 50.8% of its population under the age of 30. This helps to create a vibrant community and a steady labor force. Focusing education costs and providing training can help Lexington grow in the future.

Age Groups	2000	2010	Change	% Change
Under 19	3,586	3,669	83	2.3%
20-29	1,484	1,527	43	2.9%
30-39	1,558	1,247	-311	-20.0%
40-54	1,777	1,942	165	9.3%
55-64	560	896	336	60.0%
65 +	1,046	949	-97	-9.3%
U.S. Census 2010				

Table 5: Age Distribution, Lexington

There are a number of reasons why people migrate in or out of a city. Communities sometimes experience loss to the age cohorts between 20 to 24 age cohort due to post-secondary education or in search of employment if jobs are unavailable. Other possibilities can be family related decisions to move in or out of a community. In this age distribution table, the 30 to 39 age groups lost the most relative population in 2010 at 20%. Similar to the 50 – 64 age cohort in the previous comparison, the distribution between 55 and 64 years of age experienced a 60% increase with 336 in-migration.