

## COMMUNITY PROFILE

### DEMOGRAPHICS

All demographic figures are based upon data collected from both the 1990 and 2000 Census, as reported by the U.S. Census Bureau. [<http://www.census.gov>] Financial information is based upon the 2002 New York State Comptroller’s report. [<http://osc.ny.gov>]

### Population

According to the 2000 Census, population in the Town of Martinsburg decreased by –8.0% between 1990 and 2000. The population of Lewis County grew by 0.6%, and the state as a whole experienced a 5.5% increase in population.

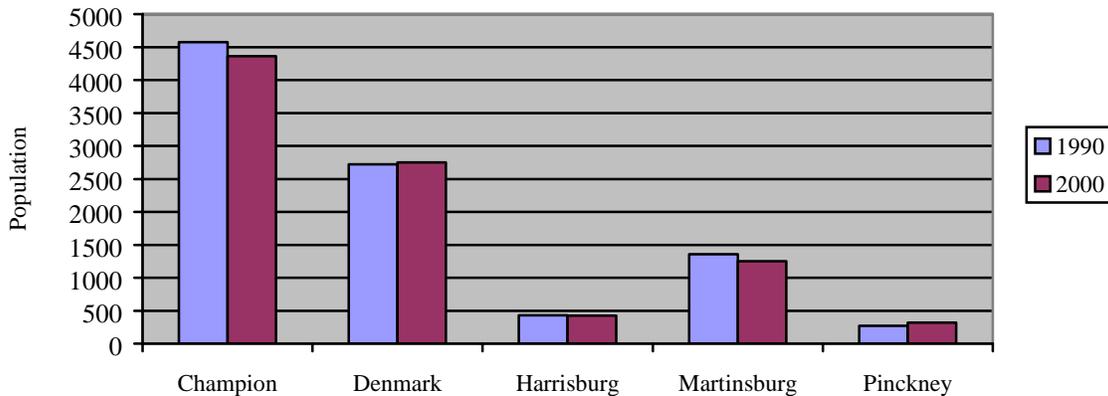
Table 1. Population Distribution

Population	1990	2000	% Change
Town of Martinsburg	1,358	1,249	-8.0%
Lewis County	26,796	26,944	+0.6
New York State	17,990,455	18,976,457	+5.5

### Regional Population Changes

Nearby towns also experienced population loss during the 1990s; Champion and Harrisburg declined in size between 1990 and 2000, by –4.7% and –2.1% respectively. The towns of Denmark and Pinckney experienced slight growth, at +1.1% and +18.1%.

Figure 1. Population Changes in Nearby and Adjacent Towns



### Household and Family Size

The Town of Martinsburg has an average household of 2.64 persons. The average household size in the CTHC region is **2.71** persons, which is slightly higher than the NY State average of 2.61. Average family size is also lower than the CTHC average in the Town of Martinsburg, at 3.11 persons. The CTHC average is 3.17, which is slightly lower than the state average of 3.22.

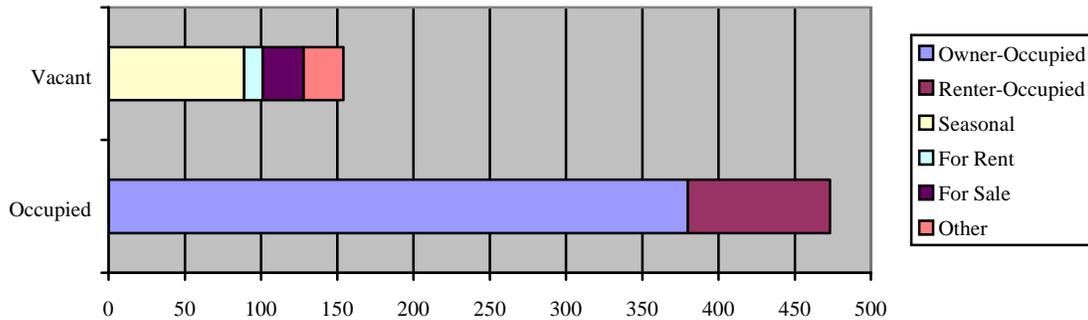
Table 2. Average Household and Family Size, 2000

	Town of Martinsburg	Lewis County	CTHC Region	New York State
Average Household Size (2000)	2.64	2.66	2.71	2.61
Average Family Size (2000)	3.11	3.12	3.17	3.22

### Housing

According to the 2000 Census, 75.4% of all housing units are classified as occupied and 24.6% are vacant. Of occupied housing units, 80.3% are owner-occupied and 19.7% are renter-occupied. Seasonal units account for the majority of vacant units (57.8%) while homes for rent and sale are 7.8% and 17.5% respectively.

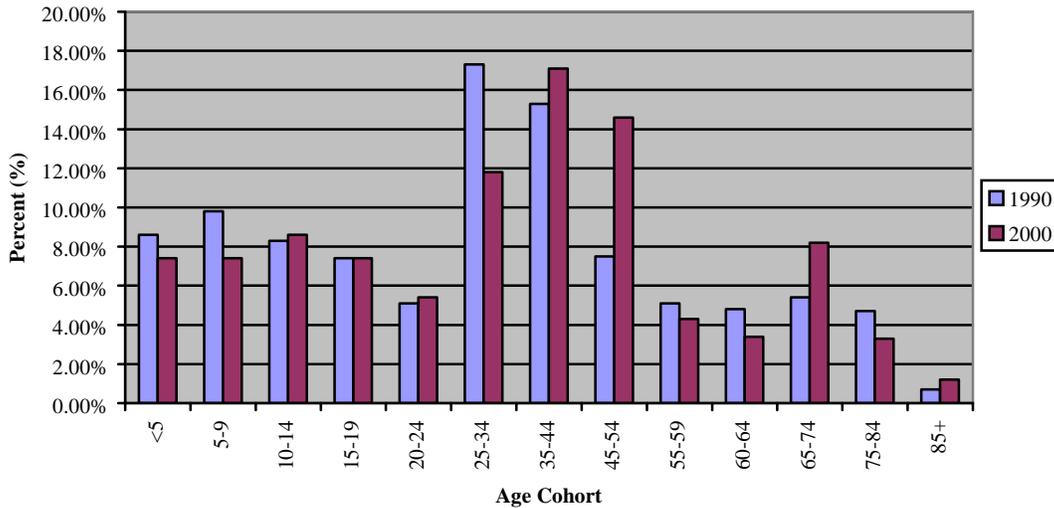
Figure 2. Housing Units, by Classification (2000)



### Age

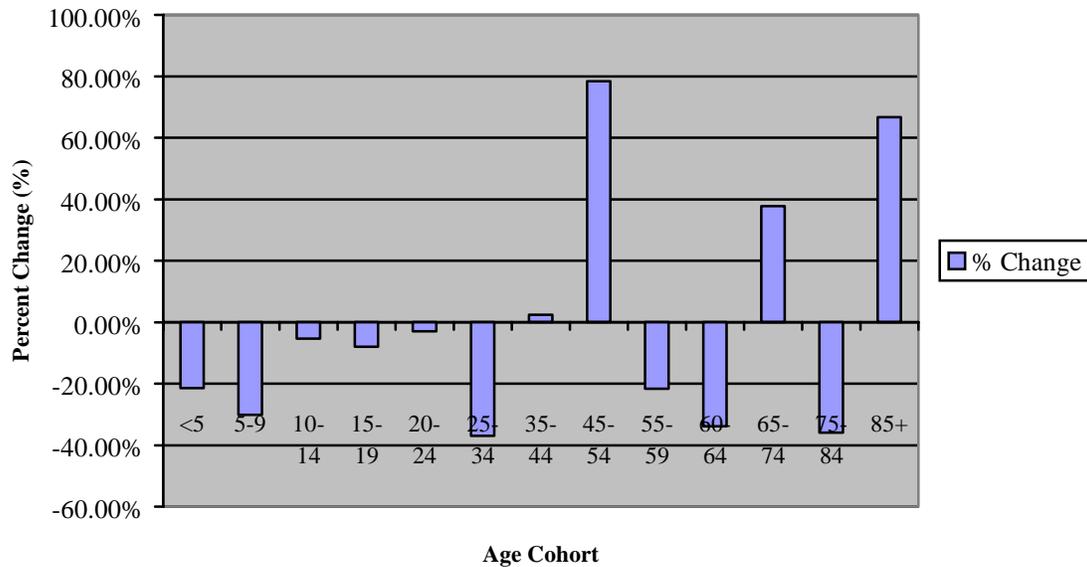
Most of the age cohorts did not change very dramatically between 1990 and 2000. As is true of the U.S. population as a whole, younger cohorts are declining slightly while older cohorts are growing. In Martinsburg, one noteworthy change was a decrease in the age 25-34 cohort – from 17.3% to 11.8% of the total population in 2000. Conversely, the age 45-54 cohort had the most significant positive change, from 7.5% of the total population in 1990 to 14.6% by 2000. Median age in the Town of Martinsburg was 36.4 years in 2000, which is comparable to the CTHC average of 36.8 years.

Figure 3. Age Cohorts by Percentage of Total Population, 1990 and 2000



The percentages (as represented in Figure 3) show each cohort's size relative to the total population. Figure 4 more accurately illustrates growth or decline within each age cohort, as the cohort size itself is compared from 1990 and 2000. In terms of percent change for each age cohort (between 1990 and 2000), only four cohorts experienced positive change. The most significant increase was in the age 45-54 cohort, which grew by 78.4%. Growth was also relatively significant (66.7%) in the age 85+ cohort. The largest decline was -37.0%, which was the age 25-34 cohort. Over the decade, age distribution within the total population remained relatively constant (Figure 3).

Figure 4. Percent Change by Age Cohort, 1990 to 2000



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Table 3. Percent Change by Age Cohort, 1990 to 2000

Age Cohort	1990	2000	% Change
<5 years	117	92	-21.4%
5-9	133	93	-30.1%
10-14	113	107	-5.3%
15-19	100	92	-8.0%
20-24	69	67	-2.9%
25-34	235	148	-37.0%
35-44	208	213	+2.4%
45-54	102	182	+78.4%
55-59	69	54	-21.7%
60-64	65	43	-33.8%
65-74	74	102	+37.8%
75-84	64	41	-35.9%
85+	9	15	+66.7%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,358</b>	<b>1,249</b>	<b>-8.0%</b>

### Income

In the CTHC region, the average household income is \$34,507, while the average family income is slightly higher, \$38,406. Median annual income in the Town of Martinsburg was \$31,902 for households and \$35,978 for families. Both figures are slightly lower than the average for all CTHC towns.

Table 4. Median Income, 2000

LOCATION	Town of Martinsburg	CTHC Region	Lewis County
Median household income	\$31,902	\$34,507	\$34,361
Median family income	\$35,978	\$38,406	\$39,287

### Employment and Occupation

Slightly less than 70% of the population (age 16+) is in the labor force. The vast majority of these persons are employed (63.1%), though 4.9% are classified as unemployed. The Town of Martinsburg is one of eight CTHC towns in which the largest percentage of the employed population works in management, professional and related occupations (30.7%). Sales and office occupations are the second most common (20.1%), followed by production, transportation, and material moving occupations (15.7%). Refer to Table 5 for employment figures and Table 6 for occupation information.

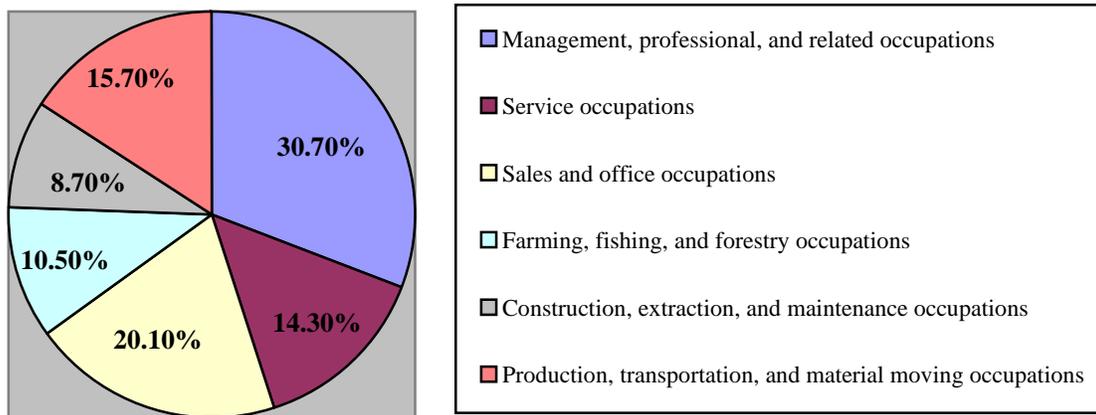
Table 5. Employment Status, 2000

<b>Population age 16 years and over...</b>	
In labor force	68.4%
Civilian	68.1%
Employed	63.1%
Unemployed	4.9%
Armed Forces	0.3%
Not in labor force	31.6%

Table 6. Percentage of Employed Population by Occupation, 2000

<b>Occupation</b>	
Management, professional, and related occupations	30.7%
Service occupations	14.3%
Sales and office occupations	20.1%
Farming, fishing, and forestry occupations	10.5%
Construction, extraction, and maintenance occupations	8.7%
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	15.7%

Figure 5. Percentage of Employed Population by Occupation, 2000



### Industry

The largest industry employing persons from the Town of Martinsburg is educational, health and social services (21.2%). Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting, and mining (21.0%) and manufacturing (12.5%) are the second and third largest sectors.

Table 7. Percentage of Employed Persons by Industry, 2000

<b>Industry</b>	
Agriculture, forestry, fishing, hunting and mining	21.0%
Construction	7.0%
Manufacturing	12.5%
Wholesale trade	2.3%
Retail trade	11.8%
Transportation and warehousing, and utilities	4.1%
Information	1.2%
Finance, insurance, real estate, and rental and leasing	0.5%
Professional, scientific, management, administrative, and waste management services	4.3%
Educational, health, and social services	21.2%
Arts, entertainment, recreation, accommodation and food services	4.5%
Other services (except public administration)	3.9%
Public administration	5.7%

### **Educational Attainment**

In 2000, 86.0% of the population over age 25 had at least completed high school. Only 10.8% have bachelor's degrees or higher, but 11.6% have taken some college courses and another 6.0% have completed an associate's degree.

Table 8. Educational Attainment, 2000

<b>Percent of the population age 25+ with...</b>	
Less than 9 <sup>th</sup> grade	3.8%
9 <sup>th</sup> to 12 <sup>th</sup> grade, no diploma	10.1%
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	57.6%
Some college, no degree	11.6%
Associate degree	6.0%
Bachelor's degree	6.8%
Graduate or professional degree	4.0%
<b>Percent high school graduate or higher</b>	
	86.0%
<b>Percent bachelor's degree or higher</b>	
	10.8%

### **Transportation to Work**

The vast majority of workers from the Town of Martinsburg drive alone to work (74.8%); however, a sizeable group of persons (8.3%) carpool to work. Another 8.8% of workers walk to work. Seven percent work from home. On average, the time spent traveling to work is 16.8 minutes.

Table 9. Means of Transportation, Employed Population Age 16+ (2000)

<b>Means of transportation</b>	
Car, truck, or van – drove alone	74.8%
Car, truck or van – carpoled	8.3%
Public transportation (including taxicab)	0%
Walked	8.8%
Other means	1.1%
Worked at home	7.0%
<b>Mean travel time to work</b>	
	16.8 minutes

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**Revenues**

Total revenues for the Town of Martinsburg were \$789,600 in 2002. The majority of funds were raised from real property taxes (48%), followed by 26% from other sources.

Figure 6. Source of Revenues, 2002

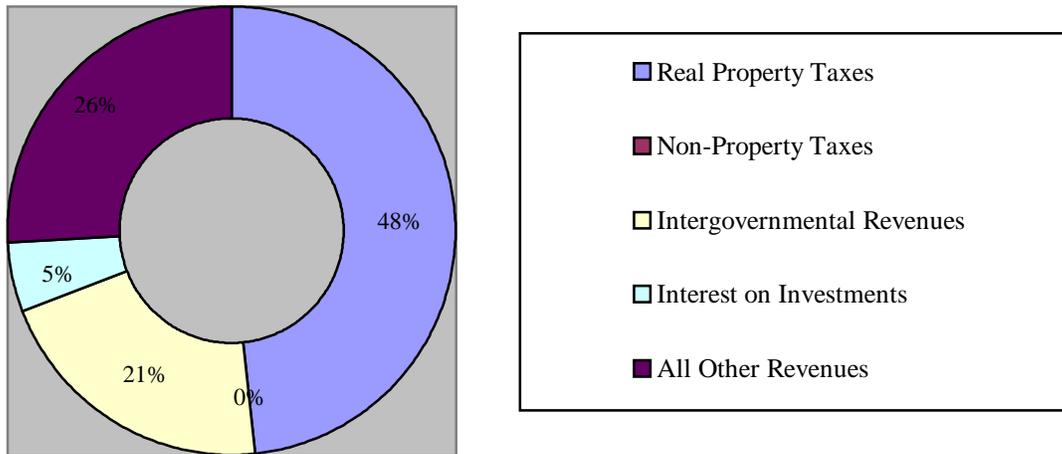


Table 10. Amount of Revenues Generated, by Source (2002)

<b>SOURCE</b>	<b>Amount (\$000)</b>	<b>Percentage of Total Revenues</b>
Real property taxes	382.3	48%
Non-property taxes	0	0%
Intergovernmental revenues	164.7	21%
Interest on investments	37.7	5%
All other revenues	204.9	26%

**Expenditures**

Transportation (44.3%) was the largest expense for the Town of Martinsburg. Home and community services accounted for nearly 30% of total expenditures, followed by 13.3% for general government expenses.

Figure 7. Expenditures by Function, 2002

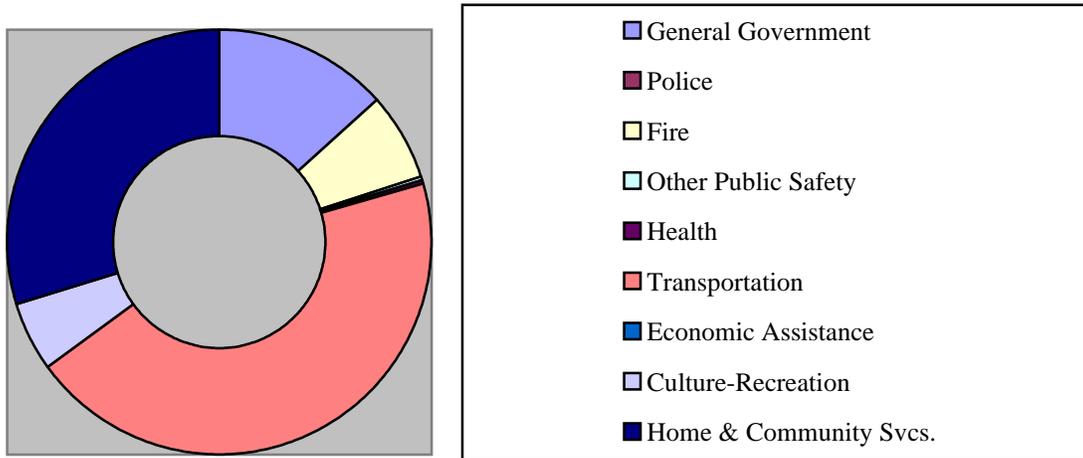


Table 11. Expenditures

General Government	\$110,100	13.3%
Police	\$0	0%
Fire	\$55,700	6.7%
Other Public Safety	\$1,600	0.2%
Health	\$3,400	0.4%
Transportation	\$366,600	44.3%
Economic Assistance	\$700	0.1%
Culture-Recreation	\$42,900	5.2%
Home & Community Svcs.	\$246,600	29.8%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$827,600.00</b>	<b>100%</b>

**Tax Rates**

The NYS Comptroller reports the following property tax rates for 2003. Full taxable value is reported for 2002.

TOWN	COUNTY	FULL TAXABLE VALUE (tax base)	County Tax (per \$1000)	Town Tax (per \$1000)	School Tax (per \$1000)
Martinsburg	Lewis	\$40,743,000	7.70	7.54	12.44-14.18