



The sections of the Project Corridor experiencing the highest rates of population growth are in the eastern portions of the corridor in Dallas and in the Hackberry Creek Neighborhood of Las Colinas. In Dallas, Tract 72.10 is the most populated tract within the corridor and also experienced one of the highest rates of growth in the 1990's. The tract grew by almost 117 percent to 10,690 persons in 2000. This tract is also the second smallest in the corridor in terms of land area and therefore has one of the highest residential densities in the Project Corridor.

Tract 100 in Dallas had the highest rate of growth in the corridor – almost 195 percent. Detailed examination of the census tables showed that the majority of this growth was due to increases in the population of the correctional institutions in the southern portion of the tract (which lie outside of the Project Corridor).

The third tract experiencing a high growth rate is the Hackberry Creek Neighborhood in Las Colinas (Tract 141.11). It is located just north of SH 114 near SH 161. This area contains the third most populated tract in the corridor and grew by 153 percent to a 2000 population of 8,835. Another portion of the corridor also had significant population gains – Tract 143.04 just south of SH 114 and centered along MacArthur Boulevard. This area had a 69 percent gain, bringing the total to 7,729, making it the fourth most populated tract in the corridor.

Demographic Profiles

A profile of the demographic characteristics of the corridor should take into consideration the demographics of the larger community. In this way, the corridor can be compared to the cities and region in which it is based. **Table 3-10** below provides a demographic profile of the DART Service Area, Dallas County and the Cities of Dallas and Irving.

**TABLE 3-10
DEMOGRAPHIC PROFILE
DART SERVICE AREA, COUNTY AND CORRIDOR CITIES**

Demographic Characteristics	DART Service Area	Dallas County	City of Dallas	City of Irving
Total Population 2000	2,149,381	2,218,899	1,188,580	191,615
Median Household Income ¹	\$47,799	\$43,324	\$37,628	\$44,956
% Persons Low Income ²	12.8%	13.2%	17.8%	10.6%
% Racial Minority ³	39.8%	41.6%	49.2%	35.8%
% Hispanic Origin	28.6%	29.9%	35.6%	31.2%
Median Age of Residents	32.4	31.1	30.5	30.3
% Population Under 18	27.1%	27.9%	26.6%	25.2%
% Population Over 64	7.7%	8.1%	8.6%	6.1%
% Occupied Housing Units with no vehicle available	7.8%	8.1%	10.9%	5.7%

¹ For the DART Service Area, this number is a Weighted Average Median Household Income for the 13 DART Member Cities.

² Individuals with incomes below the poverty level in 1999 as reported in the 2000 Census.

³ Racial Minority is defined as the population identifying themselves as non-white in the 2000 Census.

Source: 2000 U.S. Census

To assess the demographics of the Project Corridor population, a socio-economic profile was developed for each census tract in the corridor. It was assumed that the population residing in the portion of the tract that lies within the Project Corridor had a similar socio-economic profile to that of the tract as a whole. **Table 3-11** below contains socio-economic data for the individual census tracts within the Irving/DFW Corridor (see **Figures 3-7** and **3-8** for the 1990 and 2000 Census Tract boundaries).

