

Santa Clara County

Demographics & Socio-Economic Characteristics

(2000 U.S. Census, except as noted)

Population

1980*	55,225
1990*	55,900
2000	58,598
Male	28,671
Female	29,927
2005 (estimate)**	61,674
Persons per sq. mi. of land	2,602

Race & Hispanic Origin, 2000

Race	
White	44,391
Black/African American	1,184
North American Native	122
Asian	10,090
Pacific Islander	84
Other Race	827
Two or more races	1,900
Hispanic origin, total	2,722
Mexican	1,543
Puerto Rican	72
Cuban	75
Other Hispanic	1,032

Age & Nativity, 2000

Under 5 years	2,970
18 years and over	46,192
65 years and over	9,140
85 years and over	1,374
Median Age	40.2
Native born	43,210
Foreign born	15,573

Educational Attainment, 2000

Population 25 years and over	43,566
0-8 yrs of school	1.7%
High School grad or higher	96.2%
Bachelor's degree or higher	74.4%
Graduate degree	43.0%

Income & Poverty, 1999

Per capita income	\$56,257
Median household income	\$90,377
Median family income	\$117,574
Persons in poverty	2,801
H'holds receiving public assistance	245
H'holds receiving social security	5,851

Households, 2000

Total households	25,216
With persons under 18	7,137
With persons over 65	6,439
Family households	14,593
Single person households	8,209
Persons per household	2.3
Persons per family	2.95

Labor & Employment

Total civilian labor force, 2004***	29,800
Unemployment rate, 2004	3.3%
Total civilian labor force, 2000	31,982
Employed persons 16 years and over by occupation, 2000	
Managers & professionals	23,839
Service occupations	1,493
Sales & office occupations	4,638
Farming, fishing & forestry	9
Construction & maintenance	624
Production & transportation	766
Self-employed persons	3,126

*US Census Bureau

**California Department of Finance

***California Employment Development Department

General Information

City of Palo Alto
250 Hamilton Ave
PO Box 10250
Palo Alto, CA 94303
650-329-2100

Web site	www.cityofpaloalto.org
Elevation	23 ft.
Land/Water Area (sq. miles)	23.7/2.0
Incorporated	April 23, 1894
Government type	Chartered
Sales tax rate	8.25%

Voters & Officials

Registered Voters, January 2006

Total	37,563
Democrats	19,234
Republicans	7,930
Declined to state	9,038

Legislative Districts

US Congressional	14
State Senatorial	11
State Assembly	21

Local Officials, 2006

Mayor	Judy Kleinberg
Manager/Admin	Frank Benest
Clerk	Donna Rogers
Attorney	Gary Baum
Finance Dir/Treas	Carl Yeats

Public Safety

Police

Chief	Lynne Johnson
Number of officers, 2004	87
Violent crimes, 2004	89
Property crimes, 2004	1,947
Arson, 2004	14

Emergency/Fire

Director	Nick Marinaro
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Public Library

Palo Alto City Library
1213 Newell Rd
Palo Alto, CA 94303
650-329-2403

Director	Paula Simpson
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Library statistics, FY 2004

Operating income	\$4,964,753
per capita	\$82.47
Operating expenditure	\$4,701,080
per capita	\$78.09
Holdings per capita	4.45

Housing & Construction

Housing Units

Total, 2005**	27,522
Single family units, attached	976
Single family units, detached	15,592
Multiple family units	10,790
Mobile home units	164
Occupied	26,643
Vacancy rate	3.2%
Median rent, 2000*	\$1,349
Median SF home value, 2000*	\$811,800

New Privately Owned Housing Units Authorized by Building Permit, 2004*

	Units	Construction Cost
Single	53	\$ 27,269,530
Total	113	\$ 44,269,530

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Municipal Finance

(For local fiscal year ended in 2003)

Revenues

Total	\$305,150,000
Taxes	46,980,155
Special benefits assessment	144,812
Licenses & permits	3,833,869
Fines & forfeitures	2,011,589
Revenues from use of money & property	33,659,293
Intergovernmental	9,461,259
Service charges	204,858,535
Other revenues	4,200,488
Other financing sources	0

Expenditures

Total	\$306,086,000
General Government	29,066,325
Public Safety	37,227,847
Transportation	38,921,750
Community development	10,742,109
Health	49,761,000
Culture & Leisure	20,724,969
Other	0

School System

(School year 2004-05 except as noted)

Palo Alto Unified
25 Churchill Ave
Palo Alto, CA 94306
650-329-3700

Superintendent Mary Frances Callan

Grade plan	K-12
Number of schools	19
Enrollment	10,553
High school graduates	776
Dropout rate	0.3%
Pupil/teacher ratio	17.1
Average class size	24.0
Students per computer	2.9
Classrooms with internet	562
Average daily cost, 2003-04	\$10,670

California Achievement Tests 6th ed., 2005

(percent of students scoring at or above 50th National Percentile Rank)

	Math	Reading
Grade 3	85%	81%
Grade 7	85%	83%

Academic Performance Index, 2005

Percent of students tested	98%
Number of scores included, 2005	7,527
2004 API (base)	895
2005 API (growth)	903

Scholastic Aptitude Test, 2004-2005

Enrollment, Grade 12	816
percent taking test	90.9%
average SAT verbal score	619
average SAT math score	659
percent with total score 1,000+	82.6%

Other school districts for this city

(see appendix C for information on these districts)
None