People

Population: 237,444

- The Jefferson Regional Foundation Communities (JRF) total population declined by 7.1% from a total of 255,966 in 2000—reflecting countywide trends.
- The racial/ethnic composition of the JRF communities is similar to Allegheny County as a whole.
- The white population has decreased since 2000 (-5.5%) while the African American population (+2.4%) and other races (+3.1%) have increased.
- 19% of the total population is over age 65—higher than both Allegheny County (17%) and the City of Pittsburgh (14%). Age 18—64 makes up 61% of the JRF Communities and under 18 accounts for 20%.
- The median age for JRF Communities has increased from 41 to 43. This is similar to Allegheny County (41) while the city of Pittsburgh median age is 33 and has decreased since 2000.
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- High school degree is the highest level of education for the majority of residents (38%).
- 26% of population 25 years old and over has completed a Bachelor’s Degree or higher.
- 63% of population 16 and over are in the labor force.
- The labor force for the JRF Communities is 50% female, 50% male.
- Of the 101,881 occupied housing units, 70% are owner occupied and 30% are renter occupied.
- 12.5% of housing units are vacant.

Food Assistance

- In 2014, 23,086 JRF Community residents (10% of the total population) received SNAP benefits.

Overdose

- In 2015, 62 residents of the zip codes that make up the JRF service area fatally overdosed.
- This is an increase from 55 deaths in 2008.

Sources: Unless noted, source is American Community Survey, 5 year estimate (2014)
1. United States Census Bureau (2000)
2. Allegheny County Department of Human Services
3. Allegheny County Health Department