

A few US Census Demographic Trends: 1990 and 2000

	2000	Percent		1990	Percent
Total Population	77,478			76,210	
Residents of Hispanic or Latino Ethnicity	6,786	8.76%		4,784	6.28%
Ave Household Size	2.38			3.10	
Number of One-Person Households	9,797	12.64%		9,127	11.98%
Children under 18	10,151	13.10%		11,101	14.57%

Source: www.census.gov

Voter Participation Rates by Type of Government

Type	% of All MA Population	% Registered Voters in Municipality
A	26.6%	58.8%
B	13.8%	58.2%
D	1.5%	66.0%
E	8.6%	54.3%
Special Charter	49.4%	57.9%

A =	Mayor, City Council (councilors elected at-large)
B =	Mayor, City Council (councilors elected partly at large, partly by district)
D =	City Manager, City Council (mayor is head of city council)
E =	City Manager, City Council (mayor is head of city council, city council elected by proportional representation)

Sources: Forms of government from www.mma.org, Population from www.census.gov, and Registered Voters from MetroBoston Data Common

Yearly Change in Somerville Voter Registration

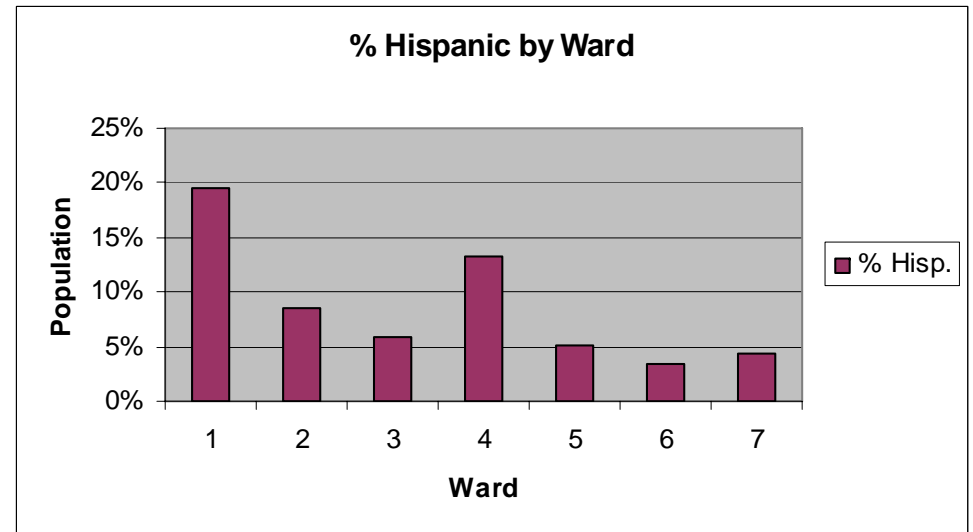
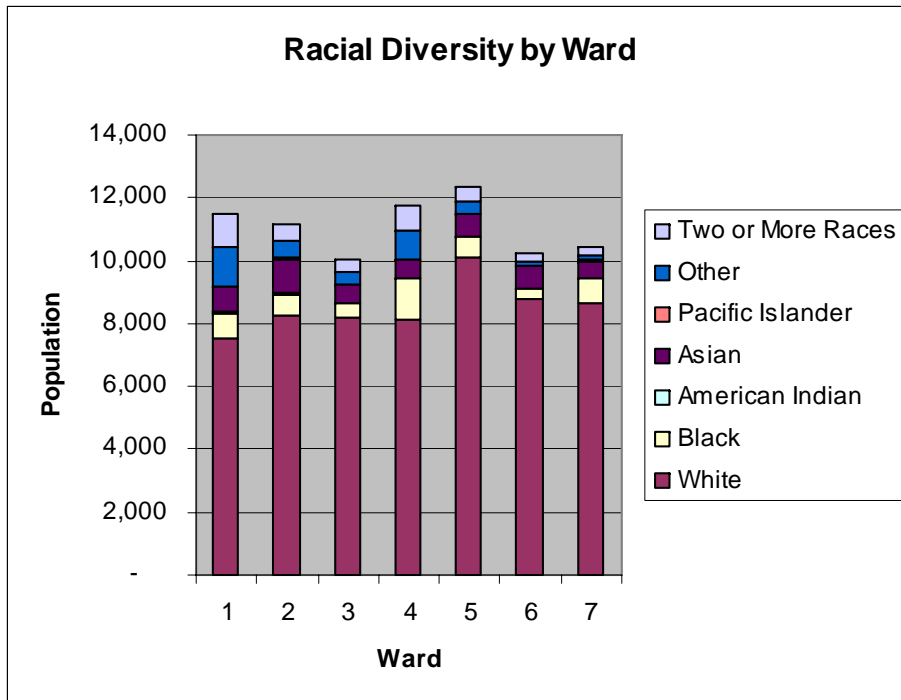
Known Deleted Voters*	
Year	Deleted Voters
2003	5,360
2004	9,298
2005	4,436
2006	7,161
2007	3,492
2008**	2,759
<p><i>*Deleted voters are only an estimate because voter must register in a different town in order for Somerville to delete him/her from our records</i></p>	
<p><i>** Through 8/12/08</i></p>	

Municipal Voter Turnout	
Year	Voter Turnout
1999	29%
2001	28%
2003	37%
2005	27%
2007	26%

Source: Somerville Elections Department

Approximate Minority Population in Somerville by Ward

Ward	White	Black	American Indian	Asian	Pacific Islander	Other	Two or More Races	Hispanic, Any Race	Total	% White	% Non White	% Hisp.	% Asian	% Black
1	7,557	792	45	784	7	1,229	1,066	2,241	11,480	66%	34%	20%	7%	7%
2	8,264	683	27	1,087	14	575	522	952	11,172	74%	26%	9%	10%	6%
3	8,197	436	30	553	5	435	379	595	10,035	82%	18%	6%	6%	4%
4	8,100	1,336	26	587	13	900	814	1,571	11,776	69%	31%	13%	5%	11%
5	10,104	675	14	682	2	416	429	619	12,322	82%	18%	5%	6%	5%
6	8,776	308	7	758	4	111	277	348	10,241	86%	14%	3%	7%	3%
7	8,637	805	22	539	5	174	270	460	10,452	83%	17%	4%	5%	8%
Total	59,635	5,035	171	4,990	50	3,840	3,757	6,786	77,478	77%	23%	9%	6%	6%



Source: www.census.gov. Note, data by ward is approximated, because census blockgroups do not match ward boundaries exactly.