

Demographics Summary

Note: All information on trends should be based on five-year comparisons or longer where data is available unless otherwise noted.

Review your Trends Report to answer the first three questions:

1. Are registered households: increasing, decreasing or remaining constant?
2. Is Mass attendance increasing, decreasing or staying the same?
3. What age groupings within the parish are growing/shrinking? (If your parish does not have age demographic information in its data base, look at recent records for baptisms, funerals, weddings, etc over the last few years and compare them with past years to answer this question.)

Check all that apply:

Age groups growing: under 5 5-14 15-19 20-34
 35-54 55-64 65-80 over 80

Age groups shrinking: under 5 5-14 15-19 20-34
 35-54 55-64 65-80 over 80

Review US Census data for the wider area to answer the following questions:

4. What new groups (racial, ethnic, single, chronically ill and disabled) are becoming part of the geographic area?
5. What are some of the important characteristics of the people in your area?
6. How does your parish membership compare with the wider community that resides within the parish boundaries?
7. What were some of the major changes or trends in your community between 2000 – 2013?
8. Do you see these trends reflected in your parish?

9. Are other changes occurring?

10. Have there been significant changes in the types or condition of housing?

Review all available information and share your personal observations to answer the final two questions:

11. Are there changes in the communities surrounding your parish that will effect the future of **your** parish?

12. Please list any other important observations about your parish or community:

Conclusion for Planning Summary: What are the key implications and information gathered from your findings on demographics and how do they relate to the ministries and activities of your parish