

# **Comparing the 2000 vs. 2010 Demographics in Harris County, TX - Nation's 3<sup>rd</sup> Largest County**

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**Minorities no longer  
exclusively urban**

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# About Report

The population and voting age population (VAP) tables provided are based on Census 2000 and 2010 Redistricting Data (Public Law 94-171) Summary File for Harris County titled "HISPANIC OR LATINO, AND NOT HISPANIC OR LATINO BY RACE FOR THE POPULATION 18 YEARS AND OVER." The citizen voting age population charts are based on the 2010 Census, and 2010 and 2011 American Community Survey 1-Year Estimates for "SEX BY AGE AND CITIZENSHIP STATUS."

Any inaccuracy in the statistics presented in the report is an error of the author and not of the Census.

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# INTRODUCTION

This brief report compares the Hispanic, White, Black and Asian population, voting age population (VAP) and citizen VAP in the city of Houston and Harris County population, excluding Houston.

The objective of the report is to review 2000 and 2010 U.S. Census Data sets and assess the demographic changes in the City of Houston (CoH) and Harris County, excluding the CoH.

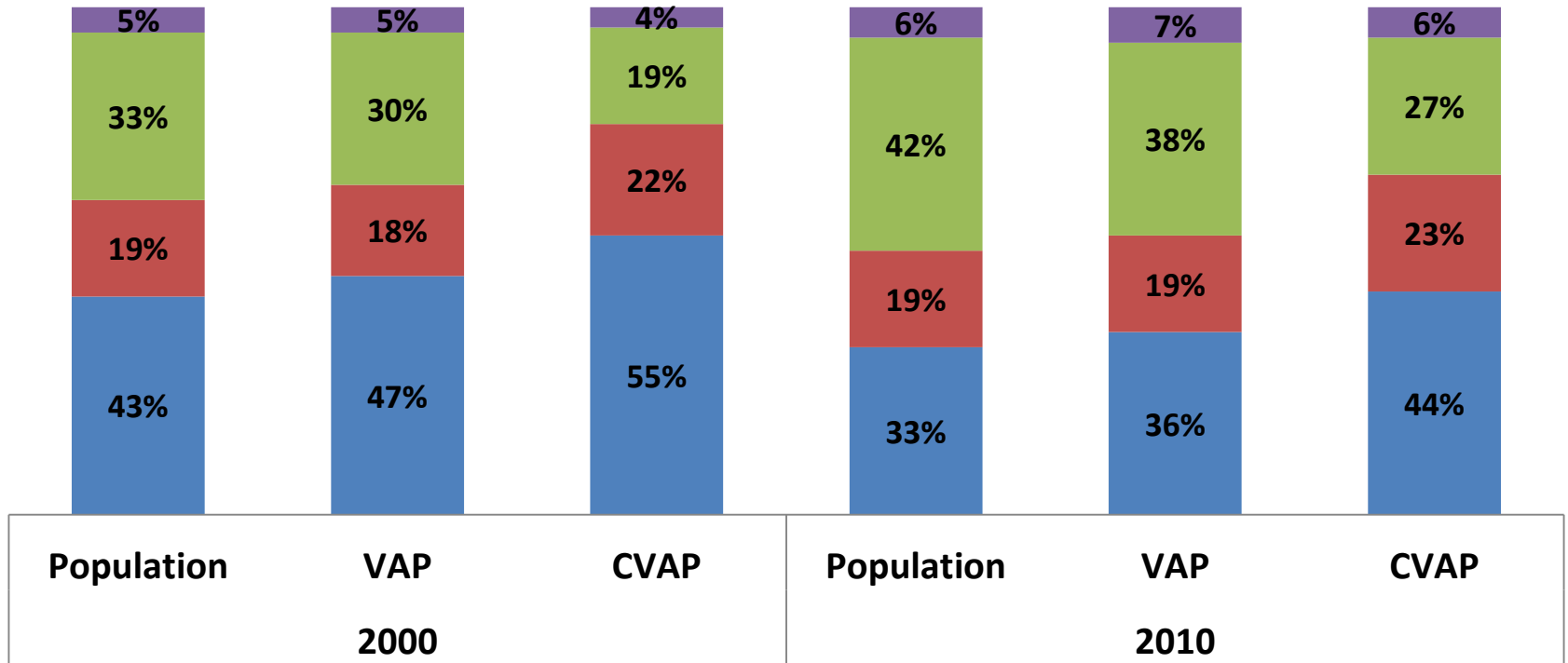
It is important for the media, language minority groups as well as voter advocates to be familiar with U.S. Census population and VAP data to understand a population potential electoral impact and have a yardstick to measure the pace of the possible change in the political landscape.

# Population, Voting Age Population (VAP) and Citizens VAP

**The following charts compare the 2000 and 2010 Population, Voting Age Population (VAP) and Citizen VAP for Harris County, the City of Houston and Harris County excluding the City of Houston.**

# Harris County: Population, Voting Age Population (VAP) and Citizen VAP

■ White ■ Black ■ Hispanic ■ Asian



## 2000 vs 2010 Harris County Population Findings

- The percent the **Hispanic** population constitutes in Harris County **increased** from 33% to 42%.
- The percent the **Black** population constitutes in Harris County **stayed** at 19%.
- The percent the **White** population constitutes in Harris County **decreased** from 43% to 33%.
- The percent the **Asian** population constitutes in Harris County **increased** from 5% to 6%.

# 2000 vs. 2010 Harris County Voting Age Population Findings

- The percent the **Hispanic** voting age population constitutes in Harris County **increased** from 30% to 38%.
- The percent the **Black** voting age population constitutes in Harris County **increased** from 18% to 19%.
- The percent the **White** voting age population constitutes in Harris County **decreased** by 11 points, from 47% to 36%.
- The percent the Asian voting age population constitutes in Harris County **increased** by 2% points, from 5% to 7%.

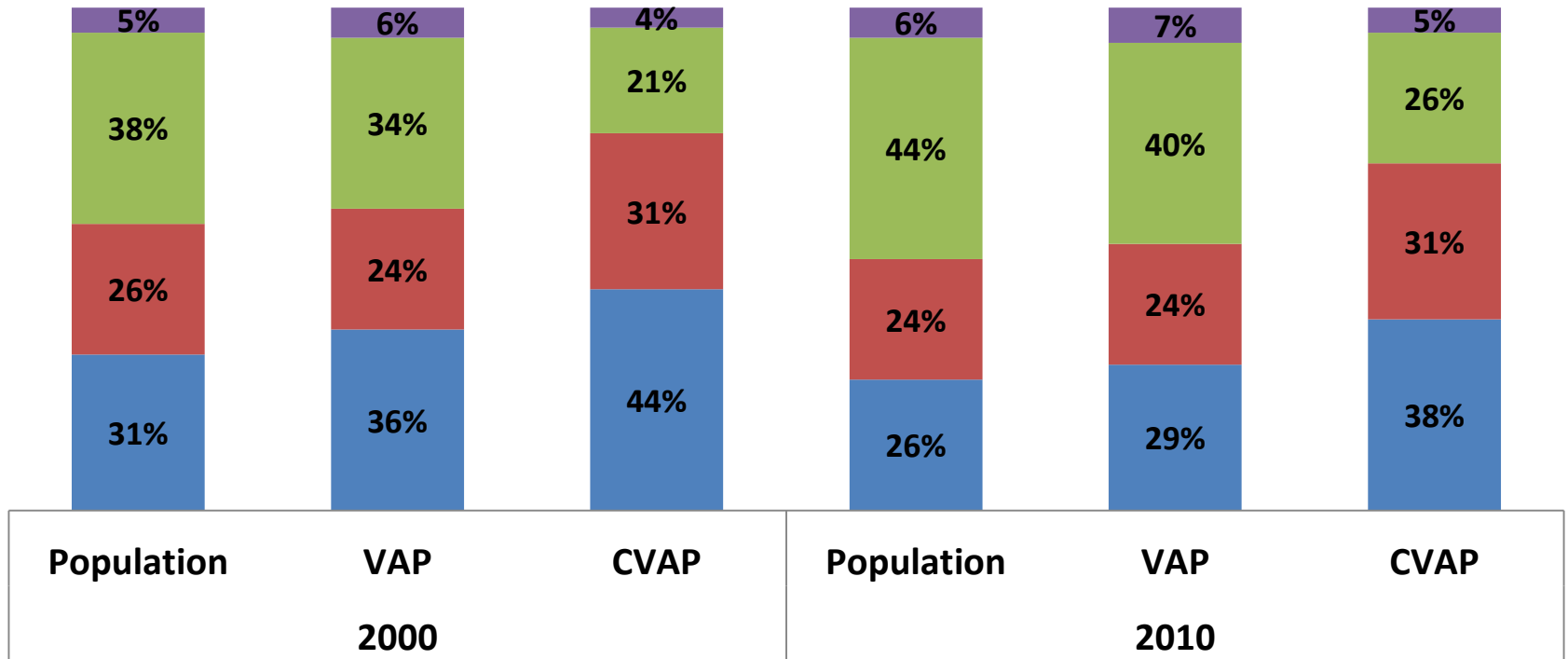


# 2000 vs. 2010 Harris County Citizen Voting Age Population Findings

- The percent the **Hispanic** citizen voting age population constitutes in Harris County **increased** from 19% to 27%.
- The percent the **Black** citizen voting age population constitutes in Harris County increased by one-percent, from 22% to 23%.
- The percent the **White** citizen voting age population constitutes in Harris County **decreased** from 55% to 44%.
- The percent the **Asian** citizen voting age population constitutes in Harris County **increased** from 4% to 6%.

# City of Houston: Population, Voting Age Population (VAP) and Citizenship VAP

■ White ■ Black ■ Hispanic ■ Asian



## 2000 vs. 2010 City of Houston Population Findings

- The percent the **Hispanic** population constitutes in the city of Houston **increased** from 38% to 44%.
- The percent the **Black** population constitutes in the city of Houston **decreased** from 26% to 24%.
- The percent the White population constitutes in the city of Houston **decreased** from 31% to 26%.
- The percent the **Asian** population constitutes in the city of Houston **increased** from 5% to 6%.

# 2000 vs. 2010 City of Houston Voting Age Population Findings

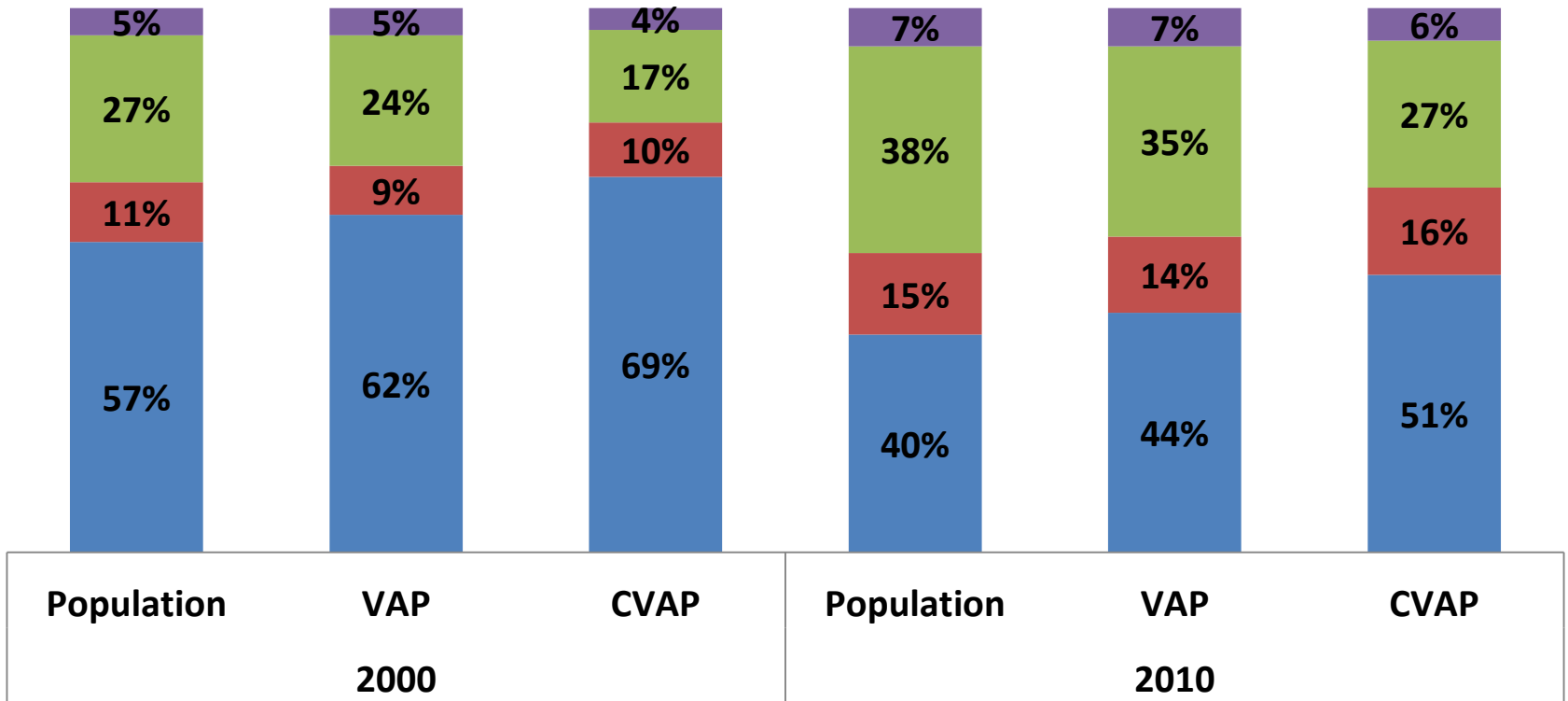
- The percent the Hispanic voting age population constitutes in the city of Houston increased by 6% points, from 34% to 40%.
- The percent the Black voting age population constitutes in the city of Houston remained 24%.
- The percent the White voting age population constitutes in the city of Houston decreased 7 points, from 36% to 29%.
- The percent the Asian voting age population constitutes in the city of Houston increased by 1% point, from 6% to 7%.

# 2000 vs. 2010 City of Houston Citizen Voting Age Population Findings

- The percent the Hispanic citizen voting age population constitutes in the city of Houston increased by 5% points, from 21% to 26%.
- The percent the Black citizen voting age population constitutes in the city of Houston remained at 31%.
- The percent the White citizen voting age population constitutes in the city of Houston decreased 6 points, from 44% to 38%.
- The percent the Asian citizen voting age population constitutes in the city of Houston increased by 1% point, from 4% to 5%.

## Population, Voting Age Population (VAP) and Citizenship VAP, for Harris County, excluding the City of Houston

■ White   
 ■ Black   
 ■ Hispanic   
 ■ Asian



## 2000 vs. 2010 Population Findings for Harris County, excluding the City of Houston

- The percent the **Hispanic** population constitutes in Harris County, excluding the City of Houston, **increased** from 27% to 38%.
- The percent the **Black** population constitutes in Harris County, excluding the City of Houston, **increased** from 11% to 15%.
- The percent the **White population** constitutes in Harris County, excluding the City of Houston, **decreased by 17 points**, from 57% to 40%.
- The percent the **Asian** population constitutes in Harris County, excluding the City of Houston **increased** from 5% to 7%.

# 2000 vs. 2010 Voting Age Population Findings for Harris County, excluding the City of Houston

- The percent the **Hispanic** voting age population constitutes in Harris County, excluding the City of Houston, **increased** from 24% to 35%.
- The percent the **Black** voting age population constitutes in Harris County, excluding the City of Houston, **increased** from 9% to 14%.
- The percent the **White** voting age population constitutes in Harris County, excluding the City of Houston, **decreased** from 62% to 44%.
- The percent the **Asian** voting age population constitutes in Harris County, excluding the City of Houston, **increased** from 5% to 7%.

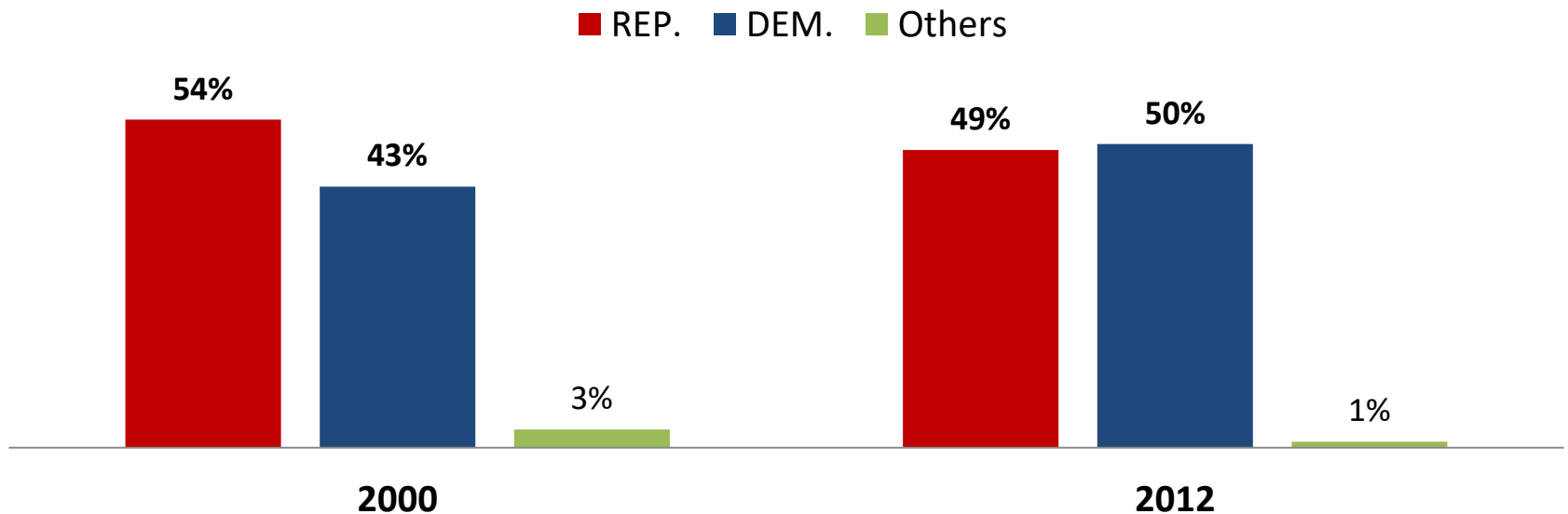


## 2000 vs. 2010 Citizen Voting Age Population Findings for Harris County, excluding the City of Houston

- The percent the **Hispanic** citizen voting age population constitutes in Harris County, excluding the City of Houston, **increased** from 17% to 27%.
- The percent the **Black** citizen voting age population constitutes in Harris County, excluding the City of Houston, **increased** from 10% to 16%.
- The percent the **White** citizen voting age population constitutes in Harris County, excluding the City of Houston, **decreased from 69% to 51%**.
- The percent the **Asian** citizen voting age population constitutes in Harris County, excluding the City of Houston, **increased** from 4% to 6%.

# Do demographic changes impact Presidential Election Results?

## Vote in a Presidential Election in Harris County in a Census Year or After



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