

Table 6. **Population for the 15 Largest County Equivalents and Incorporated Places in Alaska: 1990 and 2000**

NOTE: Data not adjusted based on the Accuracy and Coverage Evaluation. For information on confidentiality protection, sampling error, nonsampling error, and definitions, see <http://factfinder.census.gov/home/en/datanotes/expplu.html>.

Population rank		Geographic area	Population		Population change, 1990 to 2000	
2000	1990		2000	1990 ¹	Number	Percent
		Alaska	626 932	550 043	76 889	14.0
		COUNTY EQUIVALENT ²				
1	1	Anchorage Municipality ³	260 283	226 338	33 945	15.0
2	2	Fairbanks North Star Borough	82 840	77 720	5 120	6.6
3	4	Matanuska-Susitna Borough	59 322	39 683	19 639	49.5
4	3	Kenai Peninsula Borough	49 691	40 802	8 889	21.8
5	5	Juneau City and Borough ⁴	30 711	26 751	3 960	14.8
6	7	Bethel Census Area	16 006	13 656	2 350	17.2
7	6	Ketchikan Gateway Borough	14 070	13 828	242	1.8
8	8	Kodiak Island Borough	13 913	13 309	604	4.5
9	9	Valdez-Cordova Census Area	10 195	9 952	243	2.4
10	13	Nome Census Area	9 196	8 288	908	11.0
11	11	Sitka City and Borough ⁵	8 835	8 588	247	2.9
12	17	North Slope Borough	7 385	5 979	1 406	23.5
13	16	Northwest Arctic Borough	7 208	6 113	1 095	17.9
14	19	Wade Hampton Census Area	7 028	5 791	1 237	21.4
15	14	Wrangell-Petersburg Census Area	6 684	7 042	- 358	-5.1
		INCORPORATED PLACE				
1	1	Anchorage municipality ³	260 283	226 338	33 945	15.0
2	3	Juneau city and borough ⁴	30 711	26 751	3 960	14.8
3	2	Fairbanks city	30 224	30 843	- 619	-2.0
4	4	Sitka city and borough ⁵	8 835	8 588	247	2.9
5	5	Ketchikan city	7 922	8 263	- 341	-4.1
6	7	Kenai city	6 942	6 327	615	9.7
7	6	Kodiak city	6 334	6 365	- 31	-0.5
8	8	Bethel city	5 471	4 674	797	17.1
9	10	Wasilla city	5 469	4 028	1 441	35.8
10	14	Barrow city	4 581	3 469	1 112	32.1
11	17	Palmer city	4 533	2 866	1 667	58.2
12	16	Unalaska city	4 283	3 089	1 194	38.7
13	9	Valdez city	4 036	4 068	- 32	-0.8
14	11	Homer city	3 946	3 660	286	7.8
15	13	Soldotna city	3 759	3 482	277	8.0

- Represents zero or rounds to 0.0.

¹ 1990 census counts are as published in 1990 census reports and thus do not include any changes published subsequently due to boundary changes or to the Count Question Resolution program.

² In Alaska, which has no counties, there are four types of primary divisions of the state that are county equivalents: borough, census area, city and borough, and municipality.

³ The county equivalent of Anchorage Municipality and the incorporated place of Anchorage municipality are coextensive.

⁴ The county equivalent of Juneau City and Borough and the incorporated place of Juneau city and borough are coextensive.

⁵ The county equivalent of Sitka City and Borough and the incorporated place of Sitka city and borough are coextensive.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000 Redistricting Data (P.L. 94-171) Summary File, Table PL1, and 1990 census.