



Crystal

Community Profile 2010

The information in this report is the most recent data available and comes from a variety of sources, including the U.S. Census 2000, the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development, Hennepin County's Human Services and Public Health Department and the Metropolitan Council. A complete list of sources is included at the end of the publication.

Northwest Hennepin Cities' Population

Rank (by Size)	City	2008 Population
1	*Brooklyn Park	75,156
2	Plymouth	71,536
3	*Maple Grove	59,932
4	*Brooklyn Center	30,330
5	Champlin	23,983
6	*Crystal	22,167
7	*New Hope	20,860
8	*Golden Valley	20,326
9	Robbinsdale	13,598
10	Rogers	7,200
11	*Corcoran	5,774
12	Dayton	4,973
13	Hassan	2,672
14	*Osseo	2,465
15	*Hanover	(Henn. Co.) 559

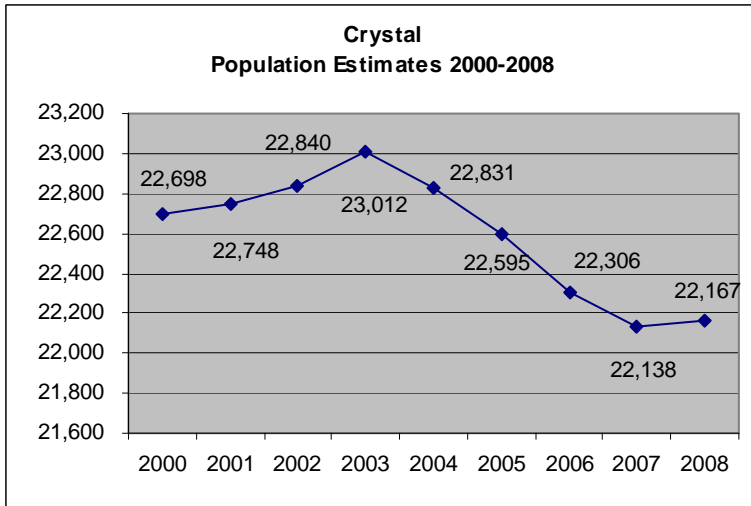
*Member City of Northwest Hennepin Human Services Council
Source: Metropolitan Council

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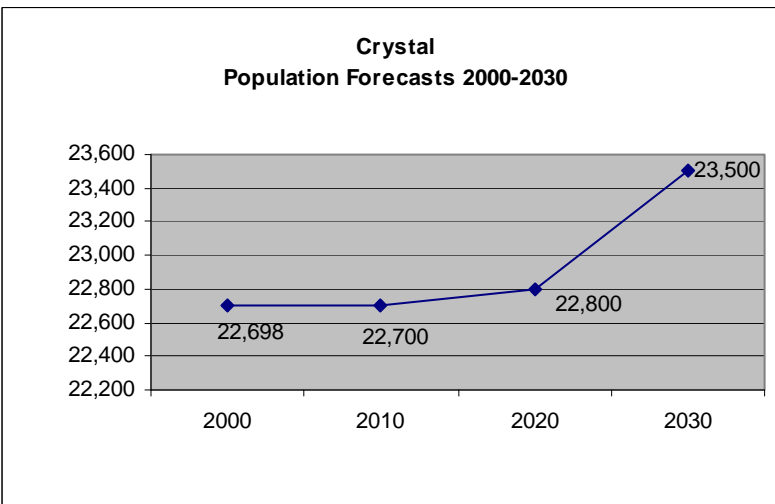


Population



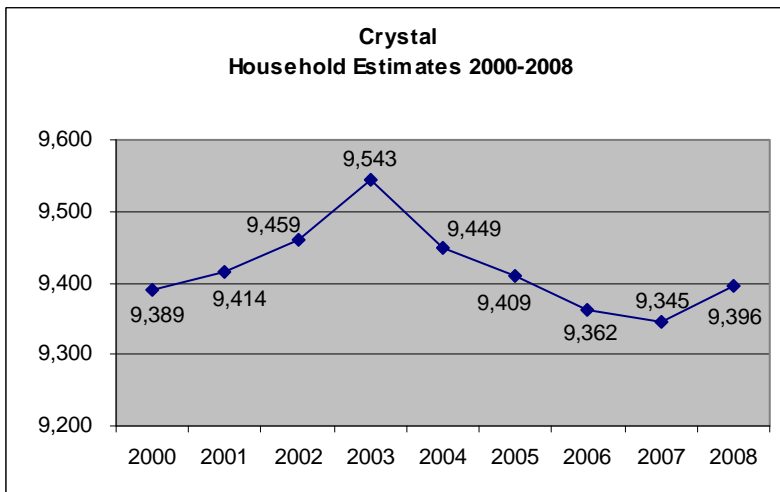
Source: Metropolitan Council

The most recent estimated population of Crystal (2008) was 22,167, a decrease of 3.7% since 2003. Crystal is the sixth largest city in the Northwest Hennepin region.



Source: Metropolitan Council

The population in Crystal is projected to increase to 22,700 by 2010, or about 6% from 2000. The population is projected to continue to increase to 22,800 by 2020 and to 23,500 by 2030.

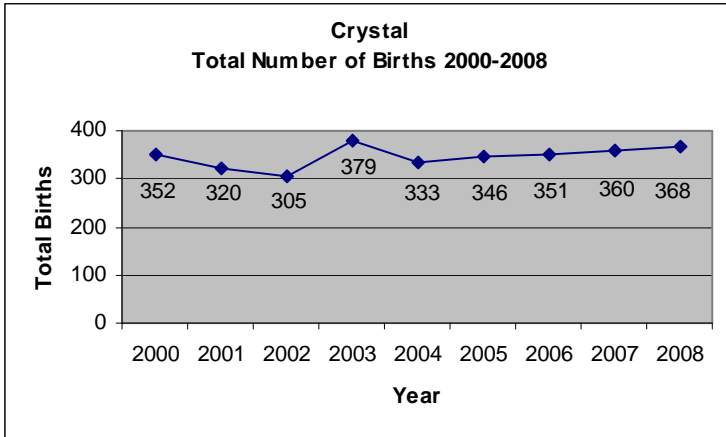


Source: Metropolitan Council

There were an estimated 9,396 households in Crystal in 2008.

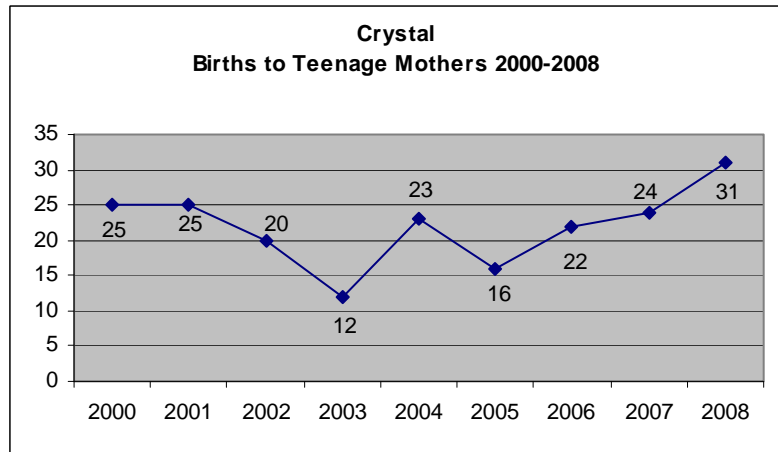


Natality



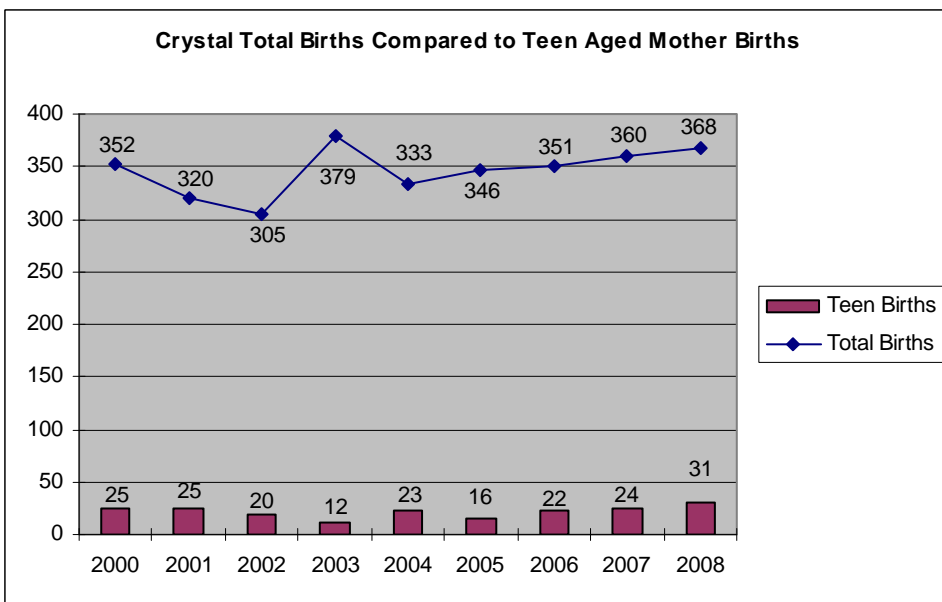
There were a total of 368 births in Crystal in 2008, a 2.9% decrease since 2003. There was an average of 346 births per year in Crystal between 2000 and 2008.

Source: Hennepin County Human Services and Public Health Department



In 2008, 31 Crystal teenagers gave birth. This was an increase of 7 from the previous year. An average of 22 teenagers per year gave birth in Crystal between 2000 and 2008.

Source: Hennepin County Human Services and Public Health Department and Minnesota Center for Health Statistics

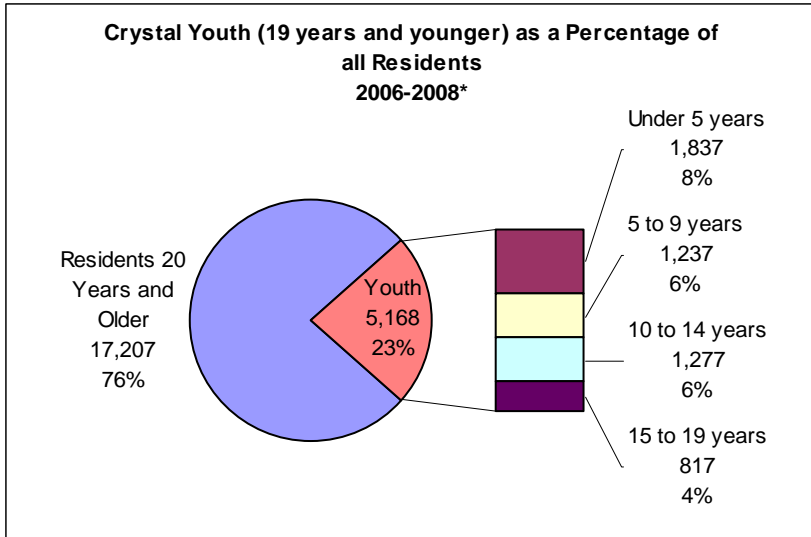


There were 31 teenagers who gave birth in Crystal in the year 2008, representing 8.4% of the total births in the city.

Source: Hennepin County Human Services and Public Health Department and Minnesota Center for Health Statistics

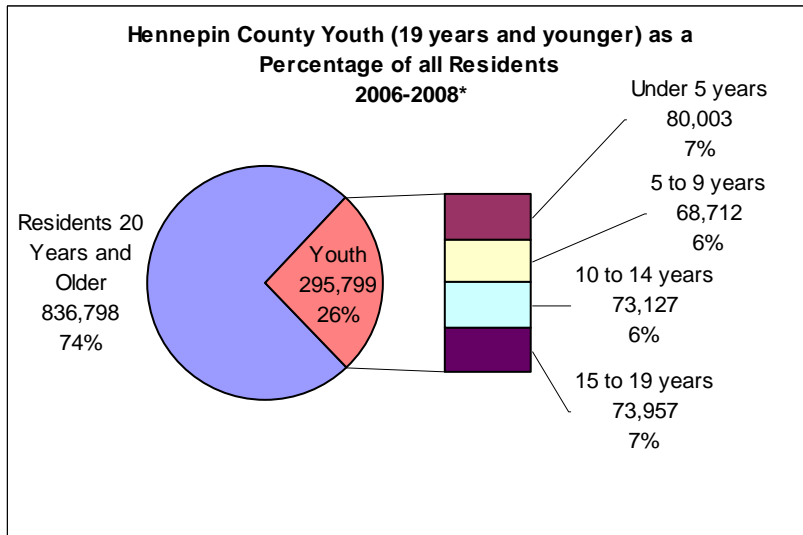


Children and Youth



The American Community Survey estimates that there are 5,168 youth (age 19 and under) residing in Crystal.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 2006-2008



The American Community Survey estimates that there are 295,799 youth (age 19 and under) in Hennepin County. Approximately, one quarter of residents in the City of Crystal and Hennepin County are youth under the age of 19.

*The American Community Survey uses a three-year sampling methodology in determining a one-year population estimate.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 2006-2008

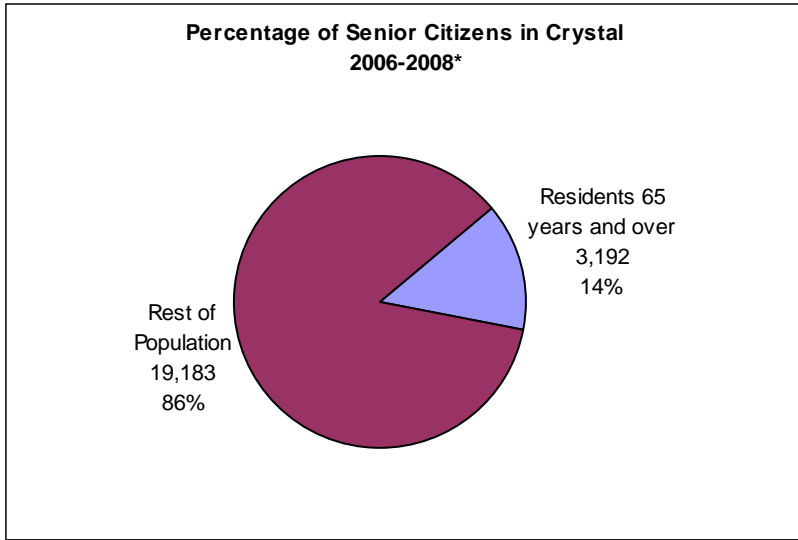
Type of Childcare Provider	2009	2010	Change
Childcare Centers	4	3	-1
Family Childcare Homes	35	31	-4

The City of Crystal had 3 childcare centers and 31 family childcare homes as of May 2010, a decrease from 2009.

Source: MN Department of Human Services, data retrieved August 2009 and May 2010.



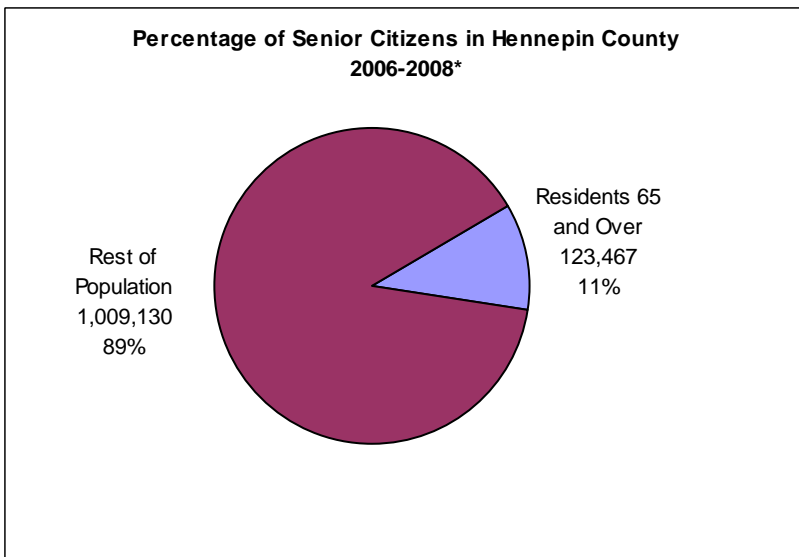
Seniors



The American Community Survey estimates that there are 3,192 residents age 65 years and older in Crystal; 14% of the total population.

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Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 2006-2008



The American Community Survey estimates that there are 123,467 residents age 65 years and older in Hennepin County; 11% of the total population.

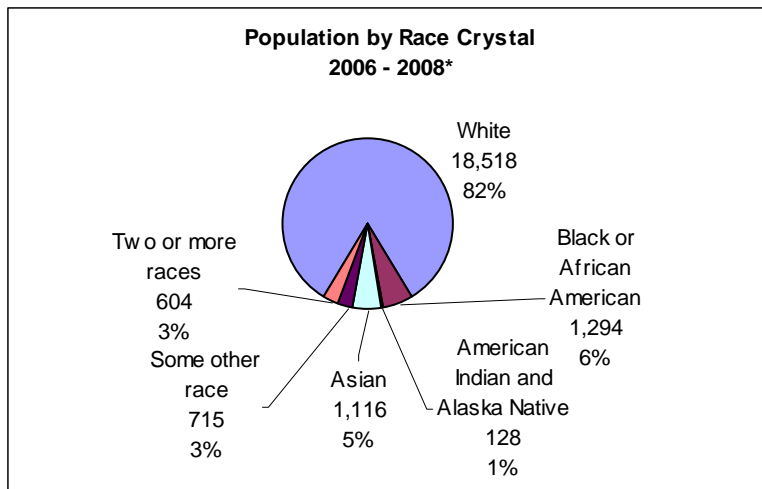
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Race, Ethnicity and Language

Crystal is home to many people from diverse backgrounds, including immigrants and refugees. It is difficult to accurately estimate non English-speaking populations, in part because many members of these communities were born in the U.S. and are native English speakers. While data on primary home languages cannot provide an exact count of the number of immigrants in a city, it does provide a tool to estimate the size of immigrant communities and help locate these communities



According to the American Community Survey's estimates, Crystal residents identify as:

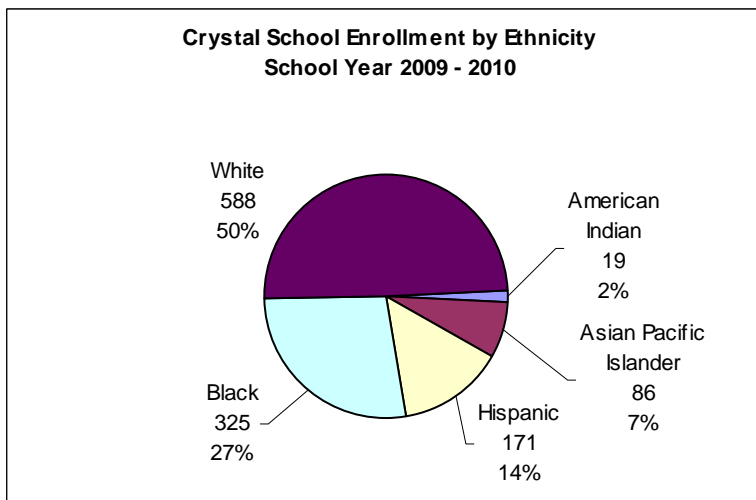
- 18,518 White,
- 1,294 Black or African American,
- 1,116 Asian,
- 715 Some other race
- 604 Two or more races,
- 128 American Indian and Alaska Native

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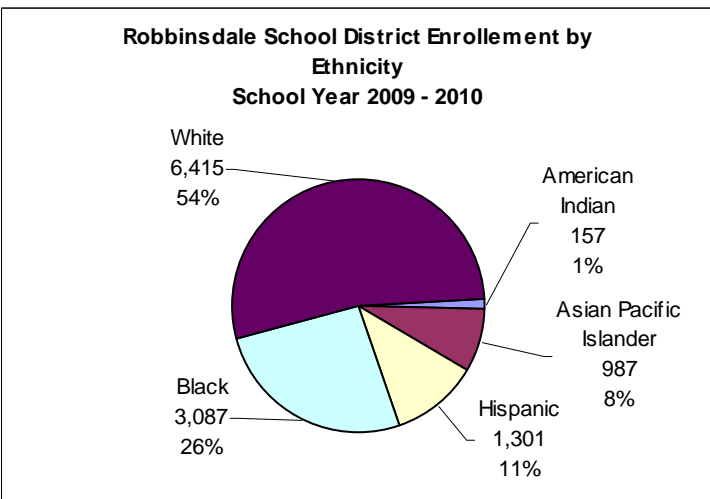
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 2006-2008

The Minnesota Department of Education reported that schools located in Crystal (not limited to Crystal residents) had 50% (588) White students, 27% (325) Black students, 14% (171) Hispanic students, 7% (86) Asian Pacific Islander students, and 2% (19) American Indian students.

Schools located in Crystal: Forest Lake Elementary and Neill Elementary School.



Source: Minnesota Department of Education



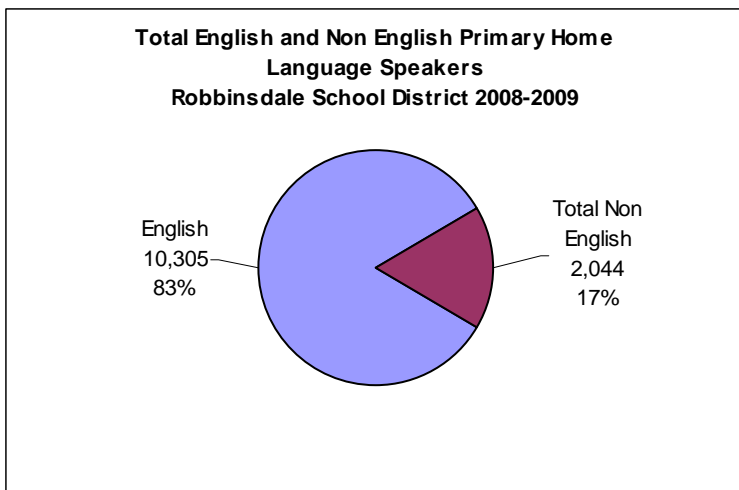
Source: Minnesota Department of Education

Crystal is one of seven cities served by Robbinsdale School District. In the 2009 - 2010 school year Robbinsdale School District's demographic composition was: 54% White, 26% Black, 11% Hispanic, 8% Asian Pacific Islander, and 1% American Indian.

Robbinsdale School District also serves: Brooklyn Center, Brooklyn Park, Golden Valley, New Hope, Plymouth and Robbinsdale.



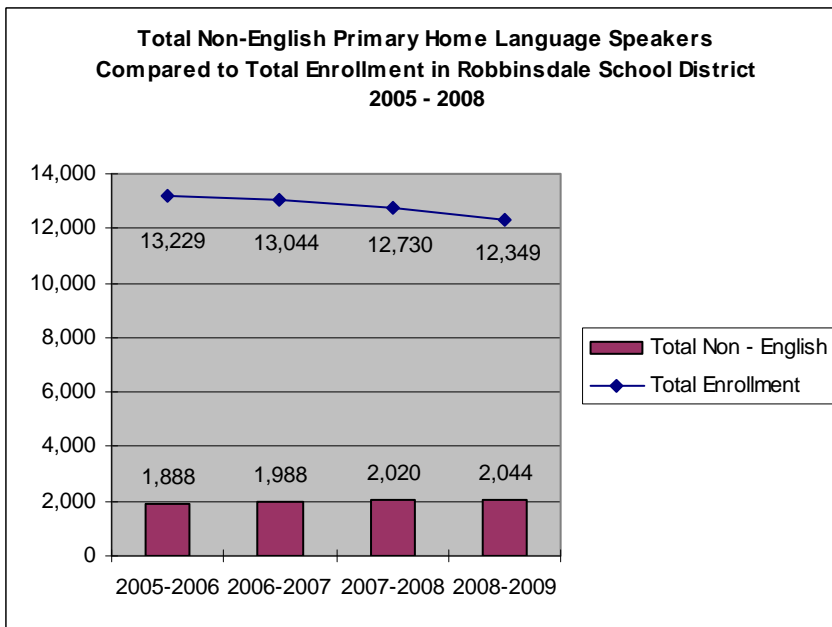
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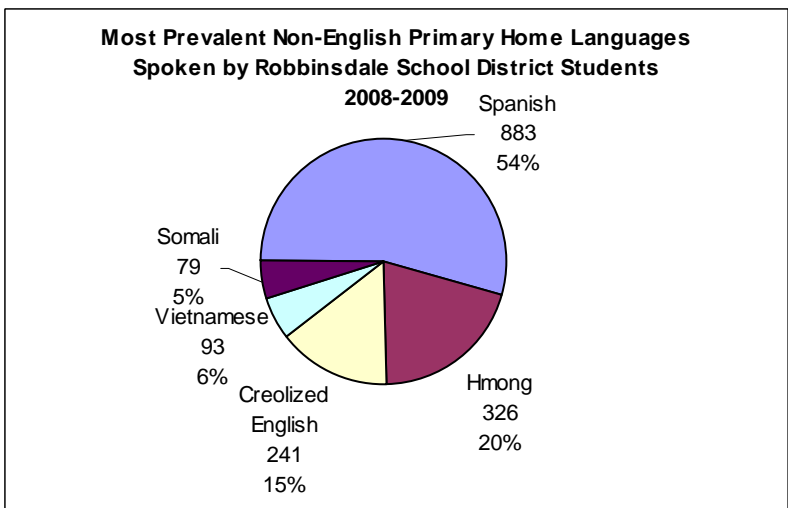
Crystal is served by the Robbinsdale School District. During the 2008-2009 school year 17% of Robbinsdale School District students (2,044) reported speaking a language other than English as their primary home language.

Source: Minnesota Department of Education

The Robbinsdale School District has experienced a 7% decrease in enrollment between 2005 and 2008. During this same time the total number of non-English primary home language speakers has increased by 8.3%. In the 2008-2009 school year non-English primary home language speakers made up 17% of the district's enrollment, compared to 14% in the 2005-2006 school year.



Source: Minnesota Department of Education

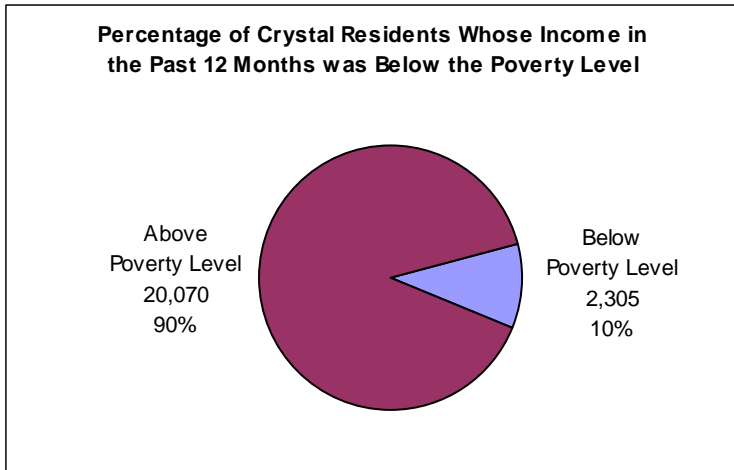


The Robbinsdale School Districts had 45 reported different primary home languages in 2008-2009. The largest reported non-English primary home language spoken was Spanish (883 students). Hmong was the second most prevalent language reported by students in the Robbinsdale School District (326 students), followed by Creolized English (241 students), Vietnamese (93 students) and Somali (79 students).

Source: Minnesota Department of Education



Poverty and Economic Assistance



According to the American Community Survey (2006-2008), 2,305 residents of Crystal lived below the poverty level this is 10% of the estimated population.

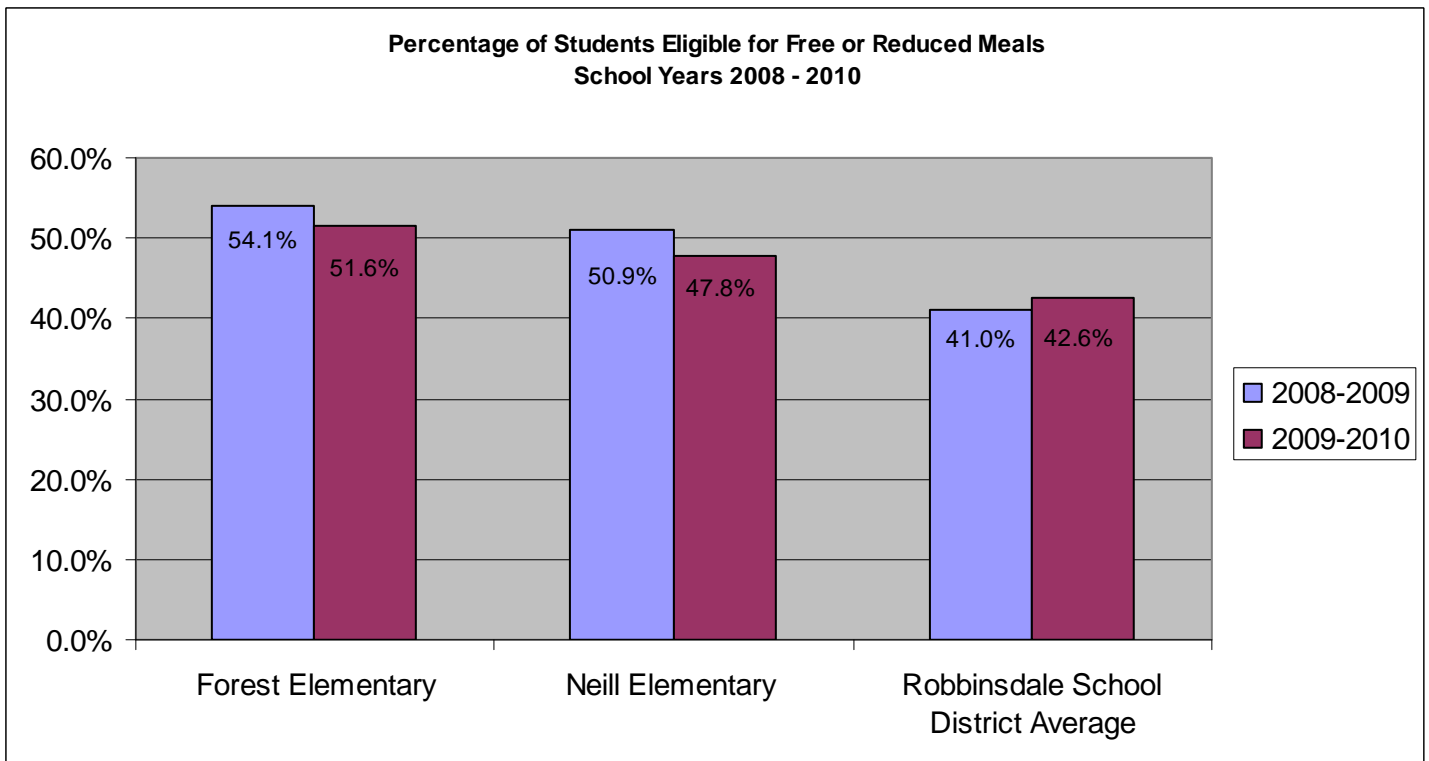
The federal poverty level for a family of four was \$20,000 in 2006 and \$21,200 in 2008.

Total population is an estimate based on American Community Survey data.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 2006 - 2008

Students are eligible for the *Free and Reduced Price Meals Program* in public school based on their families income. A household income must be below 130% of the federal poverty level (\$28,665) for a family of four, to qualify for free meals and below 185% (\$40,793) of poverty for reduced meals. Rates are from July 1, 2009 through June 30, 2010.

The number of students eligible for free or reduced meals at each of the schools in Crystal decreased from school year 2008-2009 to 2009-2010. However, both Forest Elementary and Neill Elementary have a higher rate than all other schools in the Robbinsdale School District.

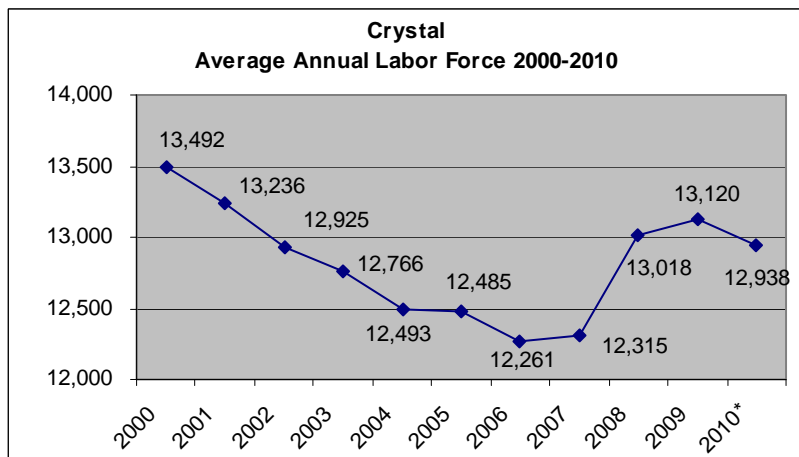


Source: Minnesota Department of Education



Employment

Employment statistics from the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development are based on results from monthly surveys of households conducted by the Bureau of Labor Statistics and the Census Bureau. Average employment is the average number of city residents who are employed for pay or who did 15 or more hours unpaid work for a family business during the survey week.



According to the Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development, the average annual labor force (not seasonally adjusted) for 2009 in Crystal was 13,120. This is a slight increase (0.78%) since 2008.

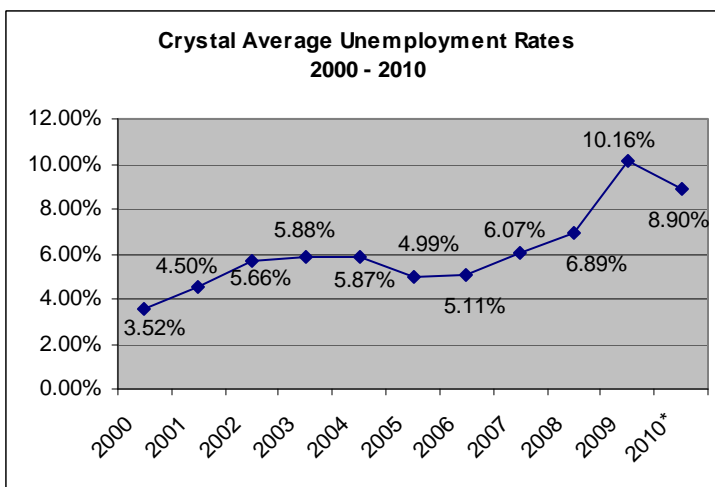
*2010 employment average only through March.

Source: MN Department of Employment and Economic Development

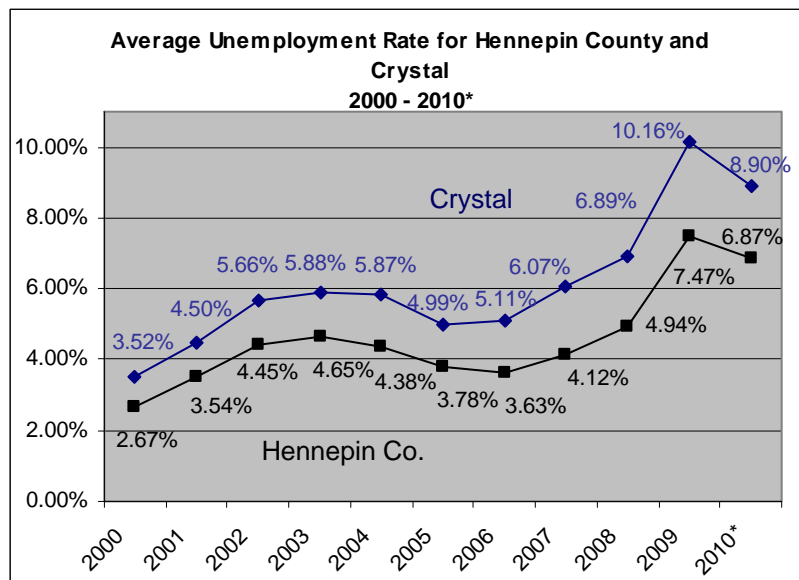
The unemployment rate of a city is the percent of the city's labor force who do not have a job, have actively looked for work in the prior four weeks and are currently available for work. It does not include people who wanted and were available for work and had looked for a job sometime in the past year, but not in the past four weeks.

The average annual unemployment rate for Crystal (not seasonally adjusted) was 10.16% in 2009, an increase of 47% since 2008.

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Crystal's 2009 annual average unemployment rate (10.16%) (not seasonally adjusted), was higher than that of Hennepin County's (7.47%) rate as a whole.

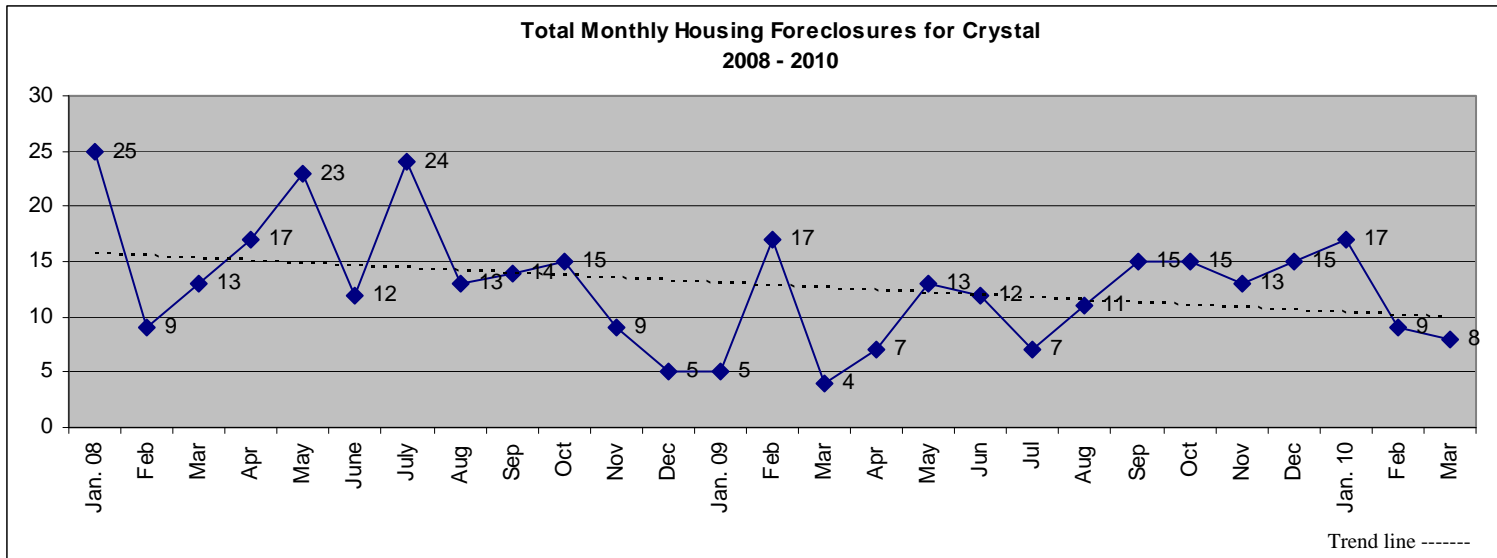
Crystal and Hennepin County's annual average unemployment rates have increased since 2006.

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Housing

Like other cities in Hennepin County, Crystal has been impacted by the sub-prime mortgage crisis. Over the past twenty-seven months (January 2008 - March 2010) the foreclosure trend in Crystal is slightly downward. In 2008, Crystal ranked 4th in the number of foreclosures (179) in the Northwest Hennepin County region. In 2009, Crystal had 134 foreclosures, ranking 5th in the Northwest Hennepin County region.



Cities in Northwest Hennepin County With the Most Foreclosures in 2008

Rank	City	Number of Foreclosures
1	Brooklyn Park	998
2	Brooklyn Center	439
3	Maple Grove	281
4	Crystal	179
5	Plymouth	162
6	Champlin	154
7	Robbinsdale	106
8	New Hope	90
9	Rogers	80
10	Golden Valley	74
11	Corcoran	19
12	Dayton	19
13	Osseo	16
14	Hassan	10
15	Hanover	4

Source: Hennepin County Sheriff's Foreclosure List

Cities in Northwest Hennepin County With the Most Foreclosures in 2009

Rank	City	Number of Foreclosures
1	Brooklyn Park	745
2	Brooklyn Center	300
3	Maple Grove	202
4	Plymouth	176
5	Crystal	134
6	Champlin	119
7	New Hope	82
8	Robbinsdale	80
9	Rogers	62
10	Golden Valley	55
11	Dayton	18
12	Osseo	17
13	Corcoran	13
14	Hassan	7
15	Hanover	3

Source: Hennepin County Sheriff's Foreclosure List



Sources

This report is a periodical publication of the Northwest Hennepin Human Services Council. It contains the latest statistics on demography, housing, income/poverty, economic assistance, and community services. Data were collected from the following sources:

Hennepin County Assessor's Office
Hennepin County Human Services and Public Health Department
Hennepin County Sheriff's Foreclosure List
Metropolitan Council
Minnesota Childcare Resource and Referral Network
Minnesota Department of Education
Minnesota Department of Employment and Economic Development
Minnesota Department of Human Services
Minnesota State Demographer
U.S. Census Bureau

Please note: Some data cannot be updated due to the frequency of data collection, particularly demographic data from the Census. Please contact Northwest Hennepin Human Services Council if you would like 2000 Census data sets.

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