

ECONOMIC AND EMPLOYMENT PROFILE

Income

The median income of the population of Peculiar rose by almost \$18,000 between 2000 and 2010, to an income of \$62,654, as shown in Figure 9. Much of this rise can be attributed to the rise in population and the increase in the percentage of people making more than \$50,000. The greatest change was those making between \$100,000 and \$149,999, which rose more than 400% from 55 people in 2000 to 282 people in 2010, representing 17% of the total city population. The median income in Peculiar rose 40%, more than the surrounding communities, between 2000 and 2010, with most rising between 11 % and 15%, except Belton whose median income rose 32%, to \$73,864. The change in median income in Peculiar significantly outpaced the State of Missouri.

| | Peculiar | Belton | Garden City | Harrisonville | Pleasant Hill | Raymore |
|------------------------|-------------|--------------|-------------|---------------|---------------|--------------|
| Less than \$10,000 | 30 | 409 | 38 | 229 | 182 | 200 |
| \$10,000 to \$14,999 | 72 | 308 | 39 | 330 | 222 | 81 |
| \$15,000 to \$24,999 | 178 | 853 | 100 | 445 | 205 | 403 |
| \$25,000 to \$34,999 | 109 | 820 | 101 | 555 | 225 | 500 |
| \$35,000 to 49,999 | 206 | 1,804 | 108 | 622 | 416 | 658 |
| \$50,000 to \$74,999 | 417 | 2,232 | 126 | 862 | 773 | 1622 |
| \$75,000 to \$99,999 | 294 | 1,029 | 70 | 308 | 475 | 1372 |
| \$100,000 to \$149,999 | 282 | 948 | 64 | 443 | 257 | 1474 |
| \$150,000 to \$199,999 | 32 | 134 | 4 | 85 | 187 | 484 |
| \$200,000 or more | 31 | 74 | 0 | 51 | 11 | 84 |
| Total | 1651 | 8,611 | 650 | 3,930 | 2953 | 6,878 |
| Median Income | \$62,654 | \$50,888 | \$41,875 | \$45,567 | \$54,390 | \$73,864 |
| Households | 1704 | 8623 | 650 | 3854 | 2959 | 7001 |

Figure #9: Tenure by Age of Householder, 2000 to 2010

Employment

The composition of the Peculiar workforce remained consistent from 2000 to 2010 with a few exceptions. Those employed in the educational, health and social services fields rose from approximately 15% to almost one-quarter of the workforce at 22.2%. Those employed in the professional, scientific and management fields rose 5%, representing 12.3%. The only significant loss in a particular field was in manufacturing, which fell to just under 7% (6.9%) of the workforce from over 14% in 2000.

Commuters

Figure 10 shows that the average commute time of those in Peculiar declined by .5 minutes in 2010 to 29.6 minutes per day. The ½ of a minute of time saved is equal to 2.5 minutes a week, 10 minutes a month and 120 minutes, or two hours a year of saved driving time.

| Travel Time | 2000 | % of Total | 2010 | % of Total | % Change |
|-------------------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|------------|--------------|
| Less than 10 minutes | 121 | 9.4% | 233 | 10.2% | 92.3% |
| 10 to 19 minutes | 250 | 19.5% | 413 | 18.1% | 65.1% |
| 20 to 29 minutes | 213 | 16.6% | 367 | 16.1% | 72.4% |
| 30 to 44 minutes | 393 | 30.7% | 814 | 35.7% | 107.2% |
| 45 to 59 minutes | 183 | 14.3% | 328 | 14.4% | 79.5% |
| 60 minutes or more | 91 | 7.1% | 128 | 5.6% | 40.4% |
| Worked at home | 30 | 2.3% | 317 | 13.9% | 956.9% |
| Total | 1,281 | 100.0% | 2,281 | | 78.1% |
| Mean Travel Time (min.) | 30.1 | | 29.6 | | |

Figure #10: Commute Times, 2000 - 2010