

Table 1. Population Estimates for the 100 Fastest Growing Metropolitan Statistical Areas: July 1, 2007 to July 1, 2008					
(Number of metropolitan statistical areas=363)					
Rank in percent change	Metropolitan statistical area	Population estimates		Change, 2007 to 2008	
		July 1, 2008	July 1, 2007	Number	Percent
1	Raleigh-Cary, NC	1,088,765	1,043,961	44,804	4.3
2	Austin-Round Rock, TX	1,652,602	1,592,590	60,012	3.8
3	Kennewick-Pasco-Richland, WA	235,841	227,905	7,936	3.5
4	Palm Coast, FL	91,247	88,178	3,069	3.5
5	Gainesville, GA	184,814	178,620	6,194	3.5
6	Provo-Orem, UT	540,820	522,831	17,989	3.4
7	Charlotte-Gastonia-Concord, NC-SC	1,701,799	1,646,431	55,368	3.4
8	Idaho Falls, ID	122,995	119,133	3,862	3.2
9	Logan, UT-ID	125,070	121,153	3,917	3.2
10	St. George, UT	137,589	133,447	4,142	3.1
11	Grand Junction, CO	143,171	138,883	4,288	3.1
12	Myrtle Beach-North Myrtle Beach-Conway, SC	257,380	249,711	7,669	3.1
13	Bend, OR	158,456	153,799	4,657	3.0
14	McAllen-Edinburg-Mission, TX	726,604	705,478	21,126	3.0
15	Olympia, WA	245,181	238,166	7,015	2.9
16	Greeley, CO	249,775	242,648	7,127	2.9
17	Phoenix-Mesa-Scottsdale, AZ	4,281,899	4,165,921	115,978	2.8
18	Ogden-Clearfield, UT	531,488	517,505	13,983	2.7
19	Sioux Falls, SD	232,930	226,993	5,937	2.6
20	Valdosta, GA	133,348	129,962	3,386	2.6
21	Midland, TX	129,494	126,259	3,235	2.6
22	Yuma, AZ	194,322	189,610	4,712	2.5
23	Durham, NC	489,762	478,003	11,759	2.5
24	Dover, DE	155,415	151,705	3,710	2.4
25	Coeur d'Alene, ID	137,475	134,211	3,264	2.4
26	Wilmington, NC	347,012	338,780	8,232	2.4
27	Huntsville, AL	395,645	386,322	9,323	2.4
28	Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington, TX	6,300,006	6,153,474	146,532	2.4
29	Laredo, TX	236,941	231,477	5,464	2.4
30	San Antonio, TX	2,031,445	1,984,921	46,524	2.3

31	Houston-Sugar Land-Baytown, TX	5,728,143	5,597,958	130,185	2.3
32	Greenville, NC	176,758	172,838	3,920	2.3
33	Burlington, NC	148,053	144,790	3,263	2.3
34	Boise City-Nampa, ID	599,753	586,600	13,153	2.2
35	Charleston-North Charleston-Summerville, SC	644,506	630,434	14,072	2.2
36	New Orleans-Metairie-Kenner, LA	1,134,029	1,109,411	24,618	2.2
37	Killeen-Temple-Fort Hood, TX	378,935	370,755	8,180	2.2
38	Atlanta-Sandy Springs-Marietta, GA	5,376,285	5,261,296	114,989	2.2
39	Bellingham, WA	196,529	192,353	4,176	2.2
40	Denver-Aurora, CO	2,506,626	2,453,393	53,233	2.2
41	Fayetteville-Springdale-Rogers, AR-MO	443,976	434,643	9,333	2.1
42	Fort Collins-Loveland, CO	292,825	286,727	6,098	2.1
43	Las Vegas-Paradise, NV	1,865,746	1,827,655	38,091	2.1
44	College Station-Bryan, TX	207,425	203,199	4,226	2.1
45	Brownsville-Harlingen, TX	392,736	384,905	7,831	2.0
46	Nashville-Davidson--Murfreeseboro--Franklin, TN	1,550,733	1,520,160	30,573	2.0
47	Greenville-Mauldin-Easley, SC	624,715	612,567	12,148	2.0
48	Spartanburg, SC	280,738	275,285	5,453	2.0
49	Fargo, ND-MN	195,685	191,930	3,755	2.0
50	Odessa, TX	131,941	129,410	2,531	2.0
51	El Centro, CA	163,972	160,830	3,142	2.0
52	Bowling Green, KY	117,947	115,698	2,249	1.9
53	Des Moines-West Des Moines, IA	556,230	545,669	10,561	1.9
54	Auburn-Opelika, AL	133,010	130,521	2,489	1.9
55	Portland-Vancouver-Beaverton, OR-WA	2,207,462	2,166,491	40,971	1.9
56	Casper, WY	73,129	71,784	1,345	1.9
57	Iowa City, IA	149,437	146,690	2,747	1.9
58	Rapid City, SD	122,522	120,287	2,235	1.9
59	Salt Lake City, UT	1,115,692	1,095,362	20,330	1.9
60	Madera, CA	148,333	145,654	2,679	1.8
61	San Jose-Sunnyvale-Santa Clara, CA	1,819,198	1,786,355	32,843	1.8
62	Mount Vernon-Anacortes, WA	118,000	115,898	2,102	1.8
63	Las Cruces, NM	201,603	198,048	3,555	1.8
64	Bismarck, ND	104,944	103,127	1,817	1.8
65	Columbia, SC	728,063	715,678	12,385	1.7
66	Ocala, FL	329,628	324,093	5,535	1.7
67	Salem, OR	391,680	385,108	6,572	1.7
68	Ames, IA	86,754	85,306	1,448	1.7
69	Visalia-Porterville, CA	426,276	419,172	7,104	1.7

70	Billings, MT	152,005	149,475	2,530	1.7
71	Bakersfield, CA	800,458	787,179	13,279	1.7
72	Tyler, TX	201,277	197,952	3,325	1.7
73	Warner Robins, GA	133,161	130,972	2,189	1.7
74	Hattiesburg, MS	140,781	138,469	2,312	1.7
75	El Paso, TX	742,062	729,969	12,093	1.7
76	Lexington-Fayette, KY	453,424	446,109	7,315	1.6
77	Colorado Springs, CO	617,714	607,858	9,856	1.6
78	Fresno, CA	909,153	894,748	14,405	1.6
79	Jacksonville, NC	165,938	163,336	2,602	1.6
80	Missoula, MT	107,320	105,638	1,682	1.6
81	Anderson, SC	182,825	179,964	2,861	1.6
82	Athens-Clarke County, GA	189,264	186,318	2,946	1.6
83	Jonesboro, AR	117,361	115,548	1,813	1.6
84	Prescott, AZ	215,503	212,179	3,324	1.6
85	Springfield, MO	426,144	419,607	6,537	1.6
86	Tucson, AZ	1,012,018	996,593	15,425	1.5
87	Albuquerque, NM	845,913	833,044	12,869	1.5
88	Knoxville, TN	691,152	680,652	10,500	1.5
89	Savannah, GA	334,353	329,307	5,046	1.5
90	Boulder, CO	293,161	288,805	4,356	1.5
91	Spokane, WA	462,677	456,004	6,673	1.5
92	Columbia, MO	164,283	161,916	2,367	1.5
93	Lincoln, NE	295,486	291,248	4,238	1.5
94	Rochester, MN	182,924	180,305	2,619	1.5
95	Reno-Sparks, NV	414,784	408,887	5,897	1.4
96	Fayetteville, NC	356,105	351,082	5,023	1.4
97	Greensboro-High Point, NC	705,684	695,738	9,946	1.4
98	Oklahoma City, OK	1,206,142	1,189,158	16,984	1.4
99	Little Rock-North Little Rock-Conway, AR	675,069	665,657	9,412	1.4
100	Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue, WA	3,344,813	3,298,225	46,588	1.4

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