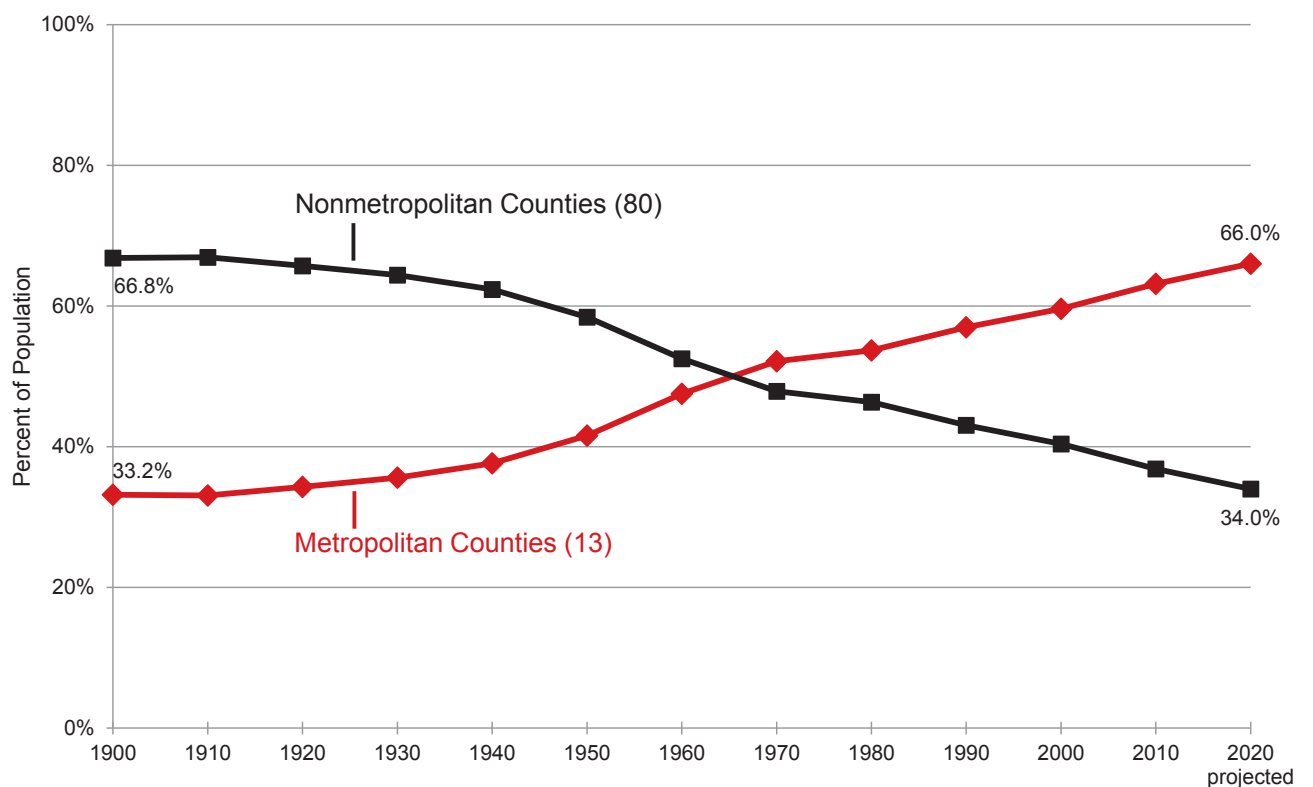


# TWO NEBRASKAS

## Our Changing Landscape

Over the past several decades in Nebraska, where and how people live has changed dramatically. In 1900, 67% of Nebraskans lived in nonmetropolitan counties. By 2020 we project 66% will live in metropolitan counties. The transformation in where people live in Nebraska reveals changes in how people live as well. For instance, in this infographic you can see that metropolitan Nebraska is younger, more diverse and more educated. However, while there are differences between metropolitan and nonmetropolitan Nebraska, there are some attributes of life in Nebraska that transcend county borders. For instance, the high rate of labor force participation and relatively low poverty rates.

Percent of Nebraska population in metropolitan and nonmetropolitan counties 1900 - 2020



Sources: Decennial Censuses, U.S. Census Bureau; December 2015 Nebraska County Projections, UNO CPAR; 2017 OMB metro definitions



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Metro	Nonmetro		Metro	Nonmetro
1,264,938	664,330	2018 Total Population	281,238,219	45,929,215
65.6%	34.4%	Percent of Total Population	86.0%	14.0%
34.7	40.3	Median age (years)	37.5	41.1
43.0%	38.2%	Under age 30	39.8%	37.3%
12.9%	19.0%	Age 65+	14.7%	18.5%
61.6%	70.7%	Born in state of current residence	56.5%	69.6%
8.2%	4.8%	Foreign born	15.1%	3.9%
76.2%	85.4%	Non-Hispanic White portion of population	58.2%	78.3%
36.5%	22.1%	Age 25+ with Bachelor's Degree+	33.5%	19.6%
84.2%	83.9%	Age 25 to 64 in labor force	78.6%	71.8%
4.7%	6.0%	Under age 19 no health insurance	5.0%	6.6%
11.6%	12.4%	Age 19 to 64 no health insurance	12.9%	14.8%
90.4%	85.2%	Households with a computer	89.8%	82.6%
84.0%	75.8%	Households with broadband Internet subscription	81.9%	71.8%
63.8%	70.2%	Home ownership rate	62.6%	71.2%
68.2%	49.1%	Homeowners with a mortgage	65.5%	50.9%
44.4%	36.7%	Renters paying 30%+ of income on gross rent	50.7%	45.8%
14.4%	15.5%	Poverty rate for children under 18	18.8%	23.6%
6.7%	8.8%	Poverty rate for those age 65+	9.1%	10.1%
\$63,151	\$53,181	Median household income	\$63,025	\$47,315
\$164,100	\$113,900	Median home value	\$226,200	\$124,700

Note: Nebraska had 13 metro counties in 2017: Cass, Douglas, Sarpy, Saunders, and Washington in the Omaha metro; Lancaster and Seward in the Lincoln metro; Dakota and Dixon in the Sioux City metro; and Hall, Hamilton, Howard, and Merrick in the Grand Island metro  
 Sources: 2017 Metro Definitions, Office of Management and Budget; 2018 Population Estimates, 2014-2018 American Community Survey, U.S. Census Bureau