

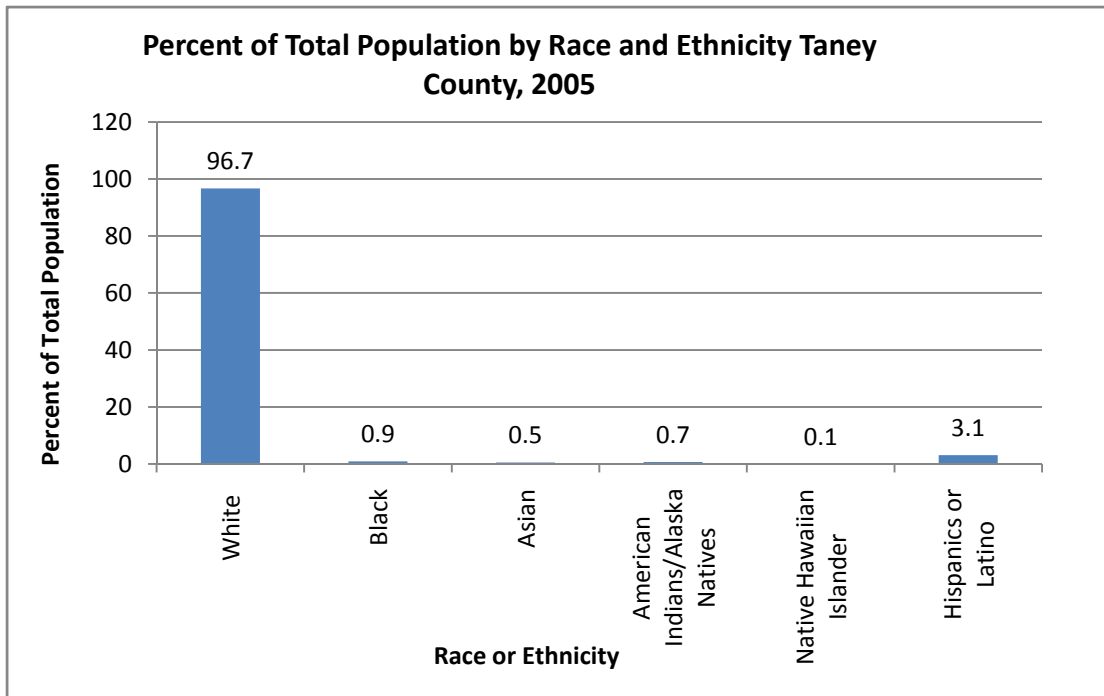
Chapter 6

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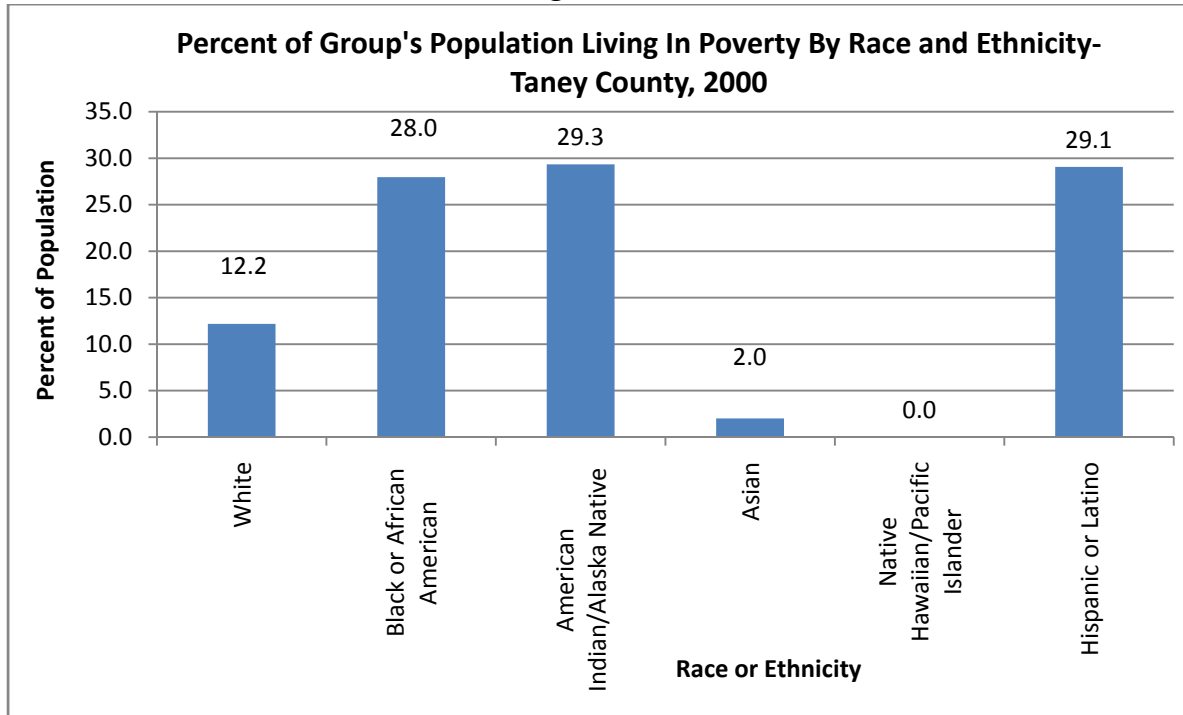
Figure 6.1 shows the racial and ethnic representation in the county. The white population continued to be the predominant race. Slight increases were reported in 2005 among Black/African American, Asian, and the Hispanic/Latino as compared to the 2000 population.

Figure 6.1



Source U.S. Census Bureau

Figure 6.2

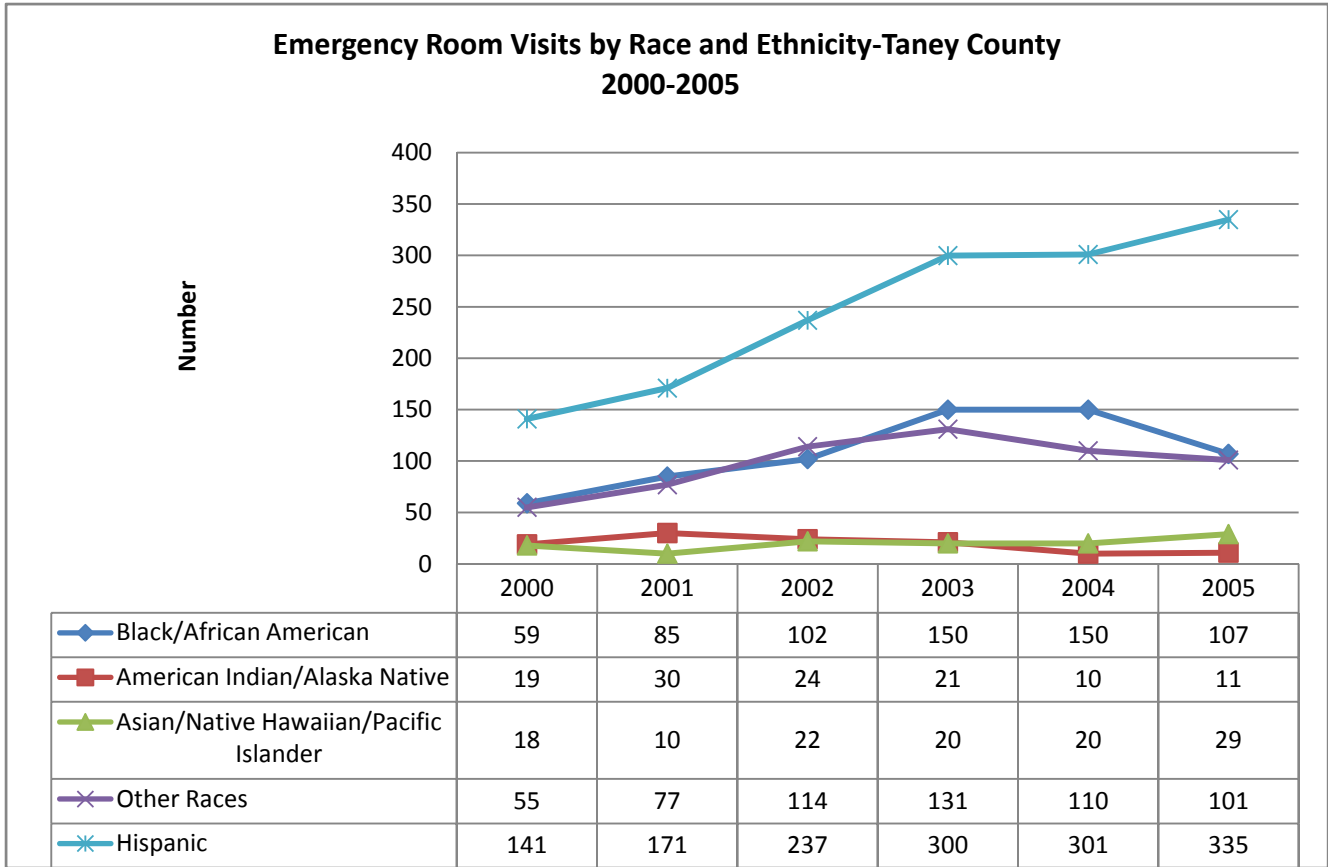


Source: US Census Bureau

Health Care

According to Figure 6.2, Hispanic/Latino and African American/Black have the highest number of emergency visits in the Taney County among minority groups. The trend of Hispanics/Latino continued to increase through 2005 while Black/African Americans and other races declined from 2004 to 2005.

Figure 6.2



Source: Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services, MICA

Maternal and Child Health

Table 6.1 shows the maternal and child health indicators by race from 2000 to 2005. The overall numbers of births among minority members was low compared to whites. The indicators showing “Mothers reporting to be 20% or more overweight” and “inadequate prenatal care” were high among several of the groups. The percentage of mothers reporting to be unmarried was also high among several of the groups. Overall, 36.5% of mothers reported being unmarried from 2000 to 2006. (Table 6.1)

Table 6.1

Maternal and Child Health Indicators by Race- Taney County, 2000 to 2006						
Indicator	Races					All Races
	White	Black/African American	American Indian/Alaskan Native	Asian/ Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	Unknown	
Number of Live Births	3,851	24	29	45	41	3,997
Rates:						
Birth Weight: Low (less than 2500 g)	6.9	4.2	10.3	6.7	0.0	6.8
Birth Weight: High (greater than 4499 g)	1.1	0.0	6.9	2.2	0.0	1.2
Pre-natal Care Inadequate	20.4	21.7	24.1	38.1	36.8	20.8
Pre-natal Care Beginning First Trimester	77.9	69.6	82.8	53.5	59.0	77.4
Prenatal Service Utilization: Mother on Food Stamps	25.0	9.1	32.1	8.9	16.7	24.6
Smoked During Pregnancy	26.5	8.3	24.1	8.9	14.6	26.0
Birth Weight: Low (less than 2500 g)- Medicaid Births	7.5	0.0	14.3	3.7	0.0	7.3
Mother More Than 20% Overweight	35.1	43.5	50.0	21.4	39.4	35.2
Marital Status: not married	36.6	37.5	31.0	13.3	58.5	36.5

Source: Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services, MICA

The death rates for the residents of Taney County by race were not provided due to the small minority population. In table 6.2, the total numbers of deaths reported in Taney County from 2000 to 2006 are shown by race and ethnicity. Deaths among the minority population groups were significantly lower in the county. Consequently, the rate of deaths by race or ethnicity was not provided due to confidentiality rule.

Table 6.2

Deaths: Residents of Taney County, Year: 2000 to 2006	
Race	Number of Deaths from All causes
White	2,966
Black/African-American	5
American Indian/Alaska Native	13
Asian/Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	7
Other races	0
Unknown	4
All races	2,995
Ethnicity	
Hispanic	22
Non-Hispanic	2,968

Source: Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services

Table 6.3 illustrates the number of deaths for the residents of Taney County by age. According to the table the number of death increases with age, with the highest numbers recorded among the residents aged 65 years and older and lowest for the age group less than 15 years. This increasing trend is consistently in all races.

Table 6.3

Number of Deaths By Age For All Causes of Death In Taney County, 2000-2005			
Age	African American/Black	White	All
Under 15	0	30	30
15 to 24	0	31	33
25 to 44	1	123	125
45 to 64	2	465	468
65 and Over	0	1,899	1,914
All Ages	3	2,548	2,570

Source: Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services

Table 6.4

Medicaid Births By Race-Taney County, 2000-2006							
Medicaid Status	Race						
	White	Black/African-American	American Indian/Alaska Native	Asian/Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	Other Races	Unknown	All Races
Number of Medicaid Births	2,469	10	21	27	5	30	2,562
Percent of Total Medicaid Births	96.4	0.4	0.8	1.1	0.2	1.2	100.0
Total Births By Race	3,851	24	29	45	7	41	3,997
Percent of Group's Total Births	64.1	41.7	72.4	60.0	71.4	73.2	64.1

Source: Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services, MICA

Table 6.5

Percent of Inpatient Hospital Discharges By Pay Source and Race or Ethnicity-Taney County, 2000-2005									
	Medicare	Medicaid	Other Government	Workers Comp	Self-pay/No Charge	Commercial	Other	Unknown	All Pay Sources
	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	Number
White	52.0	19.0	0.4	0.7	7.0	19.0	1.3	0.1	32,535
Black/African American	13.0	38.0	0.0	1.1	18.0	29.0	1.1	0.0	93
American Indian/Alaska Native	21.0	32.0	0.0	0.0	32.0	7.0	7.1	0.0	28
Asian/Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander	18.0	49.0	0.0	0.0	16.0	11.0	6.7	0.0	45
Other Races	22.0	31.0	1.0	1.1	14.0	26.0	4.9	0.0	699
Unknown	33.0	26.0	1.0	0.5	12.0	26.0	0.5	1.5	206
All Races	51.0	19.0	0.4	0.7	8.0	19.0	1.4	0.1	33,606
Hispanic	9.0	54	0.0	1.0	24	11	1.0	0.0	292

Source: Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services, MICA