

"Using US census and other data, construct a demographic profile of a new york. Find census data from last 10 years and analyze it to write about neighborhood changes. compare the population of the neighborhood in 1960, 1980 and 2000. what was the make up of this community(spring field gardens Queens)in 1980 and how has it changed? Find other dramatic changes in data and discuss them. your paper should include maps and evidence of on-site observation in neighborhood. your paper should address question such as What is the physical make up (house, street, infrastructure, traffic etc)of your neighborhood? What sorts of people (by age, life cycle, class, ancestry, lifestyle etc.) live there? How have these changed and are changing? what distinctive features of the neighborhood's physical, social or political make up seem important for understanding the neighborhood's way of life? Do you see critical problems in the neighborhood (and, if so, what)? discuss the issues of sociological significance (such as segregation, poverty, crime etc) that are most important in the neighborhood. Why is this neighborhood experiencing these issues. Finally, discuss some potential policy interventions that might address these issues. Include a discussion of why these issues may be particularly easy or difficult for city government to address."

Census Data Research on Springfield Gardens Queens

The foundations of Springfield Gardens was laid three centuries ago, which has now turned into a well-established and popular neighborhood in New York. The following sections of the paper, will give an overview of the trends experienced in population statistics and lifestyles of this neighborhood using the data from the US census of 1960, 1980 and 2000, and how the emergence of critical issue like crimes and drug addiction etc. adversely affect the community profile.

Population Statistics by Race, Age and Ethnicity

The neighborhood of Springfield Gardens diversified as a flood of transplants from Brooklyn as well as African-Americans from the South started flocking there. According to the 1960 census, the population was approximately 40% white and 60% nonwhite, compared with the 2000 census, according to which there exist more than 97% nonwhite in the neighborhood. In the 1980s many of the whites began moving out, opening up space for another wave of immigrants from the Caribbean. They came in droves - mostly from Jamaica, but also from Haiti and Guyana. The population of Springfield Gardens increased by 14% since the 1980s and the total population became approximately 39, 827, according to the census data of 2000. Springfield Gardens is a female dominated neighborhood, with females comprising 54% of the total population. Springfield Gardens is heavily represented by African-American and Caribbean-American homeowners (Bode, 2002). The following graphs, illustrate races of the residents and their birthplaces according to the census of 2000.