

Community Profile

Population

Fort Mill achieved a significant milestone in 2008, the first time in the town's history that the population surpassed the 10,000 mark. As of the 2010 Census, Fort Mill was home to 10,811 residents. Current estimates place the town's population at 11,027 as of July 1, 2011. Below are some additional population statistics and trends:

- Between 1990 and 2010, the town's population increased from 4,930 to 10,811, an increase of 5,881, or 119%.
- Between 2000 and 2010, the town's population has grown by 3,224. This 42.5% increase places Fort Mill among the 20 fastest growing municipalities in the State of South Carolina since the year 2000.
- On average, the town's population has increased 3.6% per year since 2000.
- In 2010, Fort Mill was the 34th largest municipality in the state (out of a total of 270 cities and towns), up eight spots from its 42nd place ranking after the 2000 Census.
- According to the U.S. Census Bureau (2010), the demographics of the town's population were: 77.6% White, 17.6% Black, and 2.9% Hispanic or Latino (of any race). American Indian, Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander, Asian, and Other Races each comprised less than 2% of the total population.
- According to the U.S. Census Bureau, the median household income in Fort Mill (\$64,924) is 25.1% higher than the national median and 47.8% higher than the state median.
- As of 2011-12, more than 10,700 students were enrolled in Fort Mill area schools. Despite dramatic increases in enrollment (up over 200% since 1990) the Fort Mill School District consistently rates "Excellent" on annual report cards published by the South Carolina Department of Education.



Construction on the long-awaited Fort Mill Southern Bypass began in 2012. The bypass will provide improved access to U.S. 21 and SC 160 from the southern and eastern part of town.



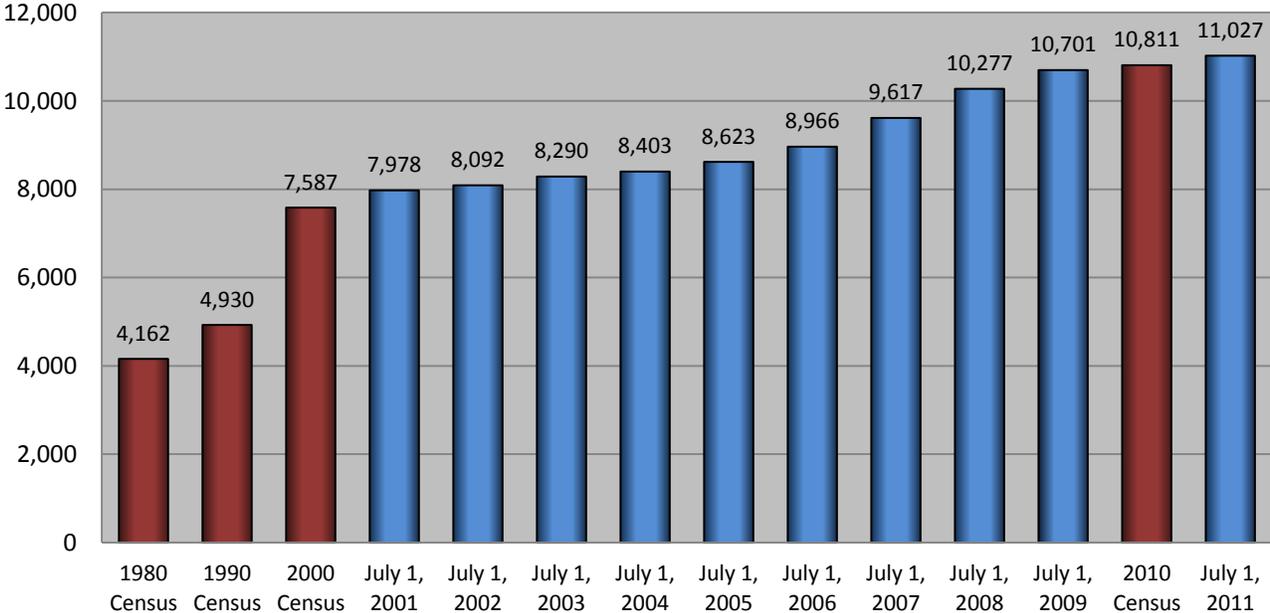
As of 2012, new home construction has picked up to near pre-recession levels. Half of all new single-family home permits were issued in the Springfield neighborhood, shown above.



After only three years, Fort Mill's South Carolina Strawberry Festival has become a signature regional event, drawing more than 50,000 attendees annually and gaining recognition as SC's Event of the Year.

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1980-2011**



U.S. Census (1980, 1990, 2000, 2010), U.S. Census Bureau Estimates (2000-09, 2011)