# Master Plan Background Studies-Population \& Housing 

## POPULATION AND HOUSING

This document is prepared and submitted to comply with the requirements of the Fair Housing Act and the regulations of the Council on Affordable Housing (COAH) [N.J.A.C. 5:93-5.1(b)].

## INVENTORY OF THE HOUSING STOCK [N.J.A.C. 5:93-5.1(b)1]

## Age of Housing Stock

About one-fifth of the Township's 1990 housing stock was built before 1960. The remaining 81 percent was built after 1960. The significant numbers are reflected in the growth of the last three decades. The 963 units added during the 1960s nearly tripled the then existing housing stock. The growth during the 1970s and 1980s totaled 1,398 units and nearly doubled the housing stock that existed at the beginning of the 1970s.

|  | 1980 <br> Census |  | Census |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Year Structure <br> Built | Number | \% | Number | \% |
| 1939 or Earlier | 297 | 13 | 247 | 9 |
| 1940-1949 | 106 | 5 | 118 | 4 |
| $1950-1959$ | 272 | 12 | 195 | 7 |
| $1960-1969$ | 942 | 12 | 963 | 33 |
| $1970-1979$ | 607 | 27 | 723 | 25 |
| $1980-1989$ | n/a | n/a 675 | 23 |  |
| Total | 2,224 | 99 | 2,921 | 101 |

## New Units Authorized by Building Permits in 1980s, less Demolitions Authorized

| 1980 | $(10-1)=$ | 9 | $2 \%$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1981 | $(30-0)=$ | 30 | $7 \%$ |
| 1982 | $(21-0)=$ | 21 | $5 \%$ |
| 1983 | $(52-0)=$ | 52 | $12 \%$ |
| 1984 | $(69-0)=$ | 69 | $16 \%$ |
| 1985 | $(52-1)=$ | 51 | $12 \%$ |
| 1986 | $(81-1)=$ | 80 | $19 \%$ |
| 1987 | $(72-6)=$ | 66 | $15 \%$ |
| 1988 | $(34-0)=$ | 34 | $8 \%$ |


| 1989 | $(22-3)=$ | 19 | $4 \%$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1980 s | $(443-12)=$ | 431 | $99 \%$ |

## Condition of Housing Stock

The condition of the housing stock has been estimated by COAH. Plate 13, Housing Conditions, summarizes related data. COAH used a collection of data and calculated that there had been 4 units deficient and occupied by low and moderate income households as of their 1987 estimate (indigenous units). In addition, the reallocated present need plus the prospective need totaled 209 units. When the indigenous units were added and then various adjustments taken, the Township's responsibility for low and moderate income households was set at 197 for the 1987-1993 cycle.

Plate 13
HOUSING CONDITIONS

## Township of Colts Neck

1980 and 1990

|  | 1990 |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 1980 | Total | N.W.S. Earle | NonEarle |
| Year-Round Housing Units by Plumbing Facilities |  |  |  |  |
| Complete Plumbing for Exclusive Use | 2,208 | 2,921 | 537 | 2,384 |
| Lacking Complete Plumbing for Exclusive Use | 12 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 2,220 | 2,921 | 537 | 2,384 |
| Sewage Disposal: |  |  |  |  |
| Public Sewers | 79 | 420 | 354 | 66 |
| Septic, Cesspool, Other | 2,145 | 2,501 | 183 | 2,318 |
|  | 2,224 | 2,921 | 537 | 2,384 |
| Source of Water: |  |  |  |  |
| Public System | 118 | 420 | 351 | 69 |
| Well, Other | 2,106 | 2,501 | 186 | 2,315 |
|  | 2,224 | 2,921 | 537 | 2,384 |
| Year-Round Housing Units by Kitchen Facilities |  |  |  |  |
| Complete Kitchen | 2,218 | 2,916 | 537 | 2,379 |
| Lacking Complete Kitchen | 6 | 5 | 0 | 5 |
|  | 2,224 | 2,921 | 537 | 2,384 |
| Units Lacking Central Heating or Complete Plumbing**: 1939 or earlier: |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| Less than 1.1 persons | 7 | 0 | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | 0 |
| 1.1 or more persons | 0 | 0 | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | 0 |


| 1940-1980: |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Less than 1.1 persons | 0 | 0 | $n / a$ | 0 |
| 1.1 or more persons | 0 | 0 | $n / a$ | 0 |
| House Heating Fuel (Occupied Units) |  |  |  |  |
| Utility Gas | $n / a$ | 1,462 | 221 | 1,241 |
| Bottled, tank, lp gas | $n / a$ | 25 | 0 | 25 |
| Electricity | $n / a$ | 233 | 97 | 136 |
| Fuel oil, kerosene, etc. | $n / a$ | 881 | 26 | 855 |
| Coal or coke | $n / a$ | 20 | 0 | 20 |
| Wood | $n / a$ | 19 | 0 | 19 |
| Solar energy | $n / a$ | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Other fuel | $n / a$ | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| No fuel used | $n / a$ | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 2,640 | 344 | 2,296 |

** 1980 figures are units lacking central heating 1990 figures are units lacking complete plumbing

Sources: 1980 and 1990 Census

However, the Court's Judgment of Compliance and Repose (12/1/86) established a 1987-1993 obligation of 150 units, or 47 units less than the COAH number, as follows:

20 units of rehabilitation
15 units to be mobile homes or converted bldgs on farms
115 units of new construction
150 total 1986-1993

The Court also determined that the developer of the "builder's remedy" site in the A-4 Zone in the Township's southwestern corner ("The Grande") was to construct a total of 276 units of which 88 were to be low and moderate income units. The developer was also required to pay the Township $\$ 250,000$ to be used by the Township in its other housing efforts. The developer's total affordable housing obligation, therefore, was 100 units to be met by a combination of units and cash. In addition, the Township was obligated to zone additional acreage to accommodate another 15 new, affordable units. This was done by extending the A-4 Zone to Lot 4 located south of the "The Grande", across Stone Hill Road. The Township also assisted in the efforts to extend water and sewer services to the A-

4 Zone by adopting an ordinance for franchise areas and by agreeing to join any litigation necessary to provide sewers to the A-4 Zone.

In COAH's estimates for 1993-1999, the number of deteriorated units increased to 38. The "indigenous" need was 33 units. These 33 units are intended to represent that number of deteriorated units occupied by low and moderate income households that did not exceed the proportion of such units found throughout the region. As a result of these and other calculations in COAH's 1993-1999 estimates, the Township's fair share has been increased to 246 units plus the rehabilitation component (the "reduction" of 149 units credited against 1987-1993 plus the 97 units for 1993-1999).

A comparison of COAH's 1987-1993 figures with those for 1993-1999 are as follows. The 1993-1999 data produced by COAH have been reviewed and an appeal to COAH is recommended as discussed in the Housing Element portion of this report.

|  | $1987-93$ | $1993-99$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1. Actual Deteriorated Units | 4 | 38 |
| 2. Indigenous Units | 4 | 33 |
| 3. Reallocated Present Units | 6 | 10 |
| 4. Present Need (2 + 3) | 10 | 43 |
| 5. Prospective Need | 199 | 106 |
| 6. Total Need (4 + 5) | 209 | 149 |
| 7. Prior Cycle Prospective Need | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | 103 |
| 8. Adjustments: |  |  |
| $\quad$ Demolitions | -7 | +3 |
| Filtering | -1 | -3 |
| $\quad$ Conversions | -3 | -1 |
| Rehabilitation | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | -4 |
| Reductions** | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | 0 |
| Credits | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | 0 |
| Undeveloped Land Cap | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | 0 |
| 20\% Cap | $* 197$ | 97 |
| 8. Calculated Need (6 - 7) |  |  |

* Reduced to 150 in Court Judgment.

NOTE: Totals do not add correctly due to rounding

## Summary Explanation of COAH's Numbers

## Deteriorated and Indigenous Units

As published by COAH, the estimate of deteriorated units has been based on several surrogates. COAH recognizes that surrogates do not themselves confirm that a unit is deficient, but rather, the surrogates tend to indicate that if a unit has certain characteristics, it would most likely be independently found via a field survey as deficient. The criteria assumed that a unit built before 1940, and having at least one other deficiency, was deficient. Units built after 1940 were considered deficient if they had two or more of the characteristics other than age. The types of characteristics used to determine the number of deteriorated units in 1993 differed from those used in 1987 due to different data being reported in the two Censuses. The 1980 Census included data on lack of central heat, buildings with four or more stories without an elevator, and units without direct access. These data were not included in the 1990 Census. Accordingly, the data used to estimate deteriorated units in the State's 52 sub-regions for the 1993-1999 period included the following surrogates:

1. housing built in 1939 or earlier;
2. overcrowding (more than 1.01 person per room);
3. lack of exclusive use of plumbing or incomplete plumbing facilities;
4. shared use of a kitchen or a kitchen where the sink is without piped water, or the kitchen has no stove or no refrigerator;
5. inadequate heating such as use of coal, coke, wood, or no fuel for heating;
6. lack of public sewer, septic tank, or cesspool; and
7. lack of city water, drilled well, or dug well.

Once the calculations were made for each of the sub-regions using these surrogates, estimates were made for each municipality within each sub-region by using the more limited data available at the municipal level, e.g. plumbing, overcrowding, age, water or sewer problem, no telephone, and non-standard heating fuel.

Through its statistical program, COAH eliminated any overlapping between units (i.e. units that had more than one of these deficiencies should not be counted two or three times). It then identified the "indigenous" number, i.e. those deficient units occupied by low and moderate income households, as 4 units in 1987 and 33 units in 1993.

The number of deteriorated units assigned to each municipality was calculated by using the above data, but if a municipality had a higher percentage of deteriorated units than the percentage for the entire region, its number was capped at a number equal to the percentage found for the region. Any excess units were pooled into a regional number and reassigned to other municipalities as part of the "reallocated present" need. In the 1987-1993 allocation, 6 units were reallocated. There were 10 units reallocated for the 1993-1999 period.

Because COAH's estimate of deteriorated units is statistically generated, COAH has a procedure for conducting house-by-house surveys to determine the actual number of deteriorated units. Once this number is determined, the number of units occupied by low and moderate income households (the "indigenous" number) is determined based on household income data. House-by-house surveys are not required, but can be used to establish a specific obligation based on condition and income rather than relying entirely on surrogates.

## Reallocated Present Need

This number represents the distribution of excess deteriorated units found within the region. The reallocated present need is a number calculated from the regional pool based on the town's "equalized nonresidential valuation" [a measure used to estimate the intensity of use or number of employees in a structure], the town's amount of "undeveloped land" [based on the State Planning Commission's Planning Areas with PA1 and PA2 being counted in full, PA3 counted at half rate, and PA4 and PA5 counted at zero], and its "aggregate income difference" [the average of the town's share of the regional sum of the differences between median 1993 municipal household income and an income floor of $\$ 100$ below the lowest average household income in the region, and the same data weighted by the number of households in the town and factored into the formula twice to dampen the extremes].

## Prospective Need

This number was developed using two population projections made by the N.J. Department of Labor for a 30-year period. One method is based on "historical" employment growth and the other on "projected" employment. COAH averaged the two to more accurately reflect actual experience over time. Household projections were then developed from the population projections based on age groupings. The aggregate growth for the region is summed at each county level, pooled into the regional number, and allocated within the region based on the "change in equalized nonresidential valuation 1980-1990" [this method is now used in place of what was found to be unreliable employment data], "undeveloped land" [based on the State Planning Commission's Planning Areas
with PA1 and PA2 being counted in full, PA3 counted at half rate, and PA4 and PA5 counted at zero], and its "aggregate income difference" [the average of the town's share of the regional sum of the differences between median 1993 municipal household income and an income floor of $\$ 100$ below the lowest average household income in the region, and the same data weighted by the number of households in the town and factored into the formula twice in order to dampen the extremes].

## Adjustments

COAH's formula then made adjustments by adding a number to reflect demolitions on the basis that the removal of deteriorated low and moderate income housing adds to the demand for affordable housing once the units are removed from the housing stock. A credit, or reduction, for filtering was given recognizing that as new housing was constructed, people moved out of older houses making some of the vacated units available to lower income households. The amount of the credit was based on the town's share of multifamily units and their share of pre-1940 units. Conversions are where a larger structure was modified to include more than one unit where only one unit existed before. The number is based on the difference between the net change in total housing units, less the net of housing units constructed and demolitions lost over the period. Spontaneous Rehabilitation consists of unsolicited private rehabilitation efforts. The estimates were done according to the municipality's share of a regional average income measure. Reductions are a reflection of the town's prior zoning and low/moderate income efforts. This number cannot reduce the Pre-Credited Need to less than zero. Credits were given on a one-to-one basis for each low/moderate income unit constructed between April 1, 1980 and December 15, 1986. This number cannot reduce the obligation to less than zero. Unexpended credits are carried over to the next calculation cycle. Undeveloped Land Cap is an attempt to cap the municipal obligations based on estimates of land capacity. The $\mathbf{2 0 \%}$ Cap is a factor that prevents a municipality from being assigned a fair share that exceeds $20 \%$ of its 1990 housing stock. The intent is to avoid a "drastic alteration" defined by COAH as requiring a doubling of the housing stock in the 6-year period in order to comply with COAH's assigned housing obligation.

## Value of Housing Stock

Plate 14, Housing Values, indicates that the median value of owner-occupied housing was $\$ 366,400$ by 1990 (compared to $\$ 129,100$ in 1980). The median contract rent was $\$ 257$ in 1980 with a median gross rent of $\$ 724$ in 1990 . The 1990 numbers were almost triple the 1980 numbers. Ninety-two percent of the houses in Colts Neck were valued at more than \$200,000 in 1990.

# Plate 14 <br> HOUSING VALUES <br> Township of Colts Neck and Monmouth County 

1990

| OWNER-OCCUPIED | Colts Neck |  | Monmouth County |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| (Non-Condominium) | No. | $\%$ | No. | $\%$ |
| Under \$30,000 | 0 | 0 | 441 | $*$ |
| \$30,000-50,000 | 7 | $*$ | 932 | 1 |
| $\$ 50,000-75,000$ | 0 | 0 | 2,903 | 2 |
| \$75,000-100,000 | 4 | $*$ | 7,089 | 6 |
| $\$ 100,000-150,000$ | 47 | 2 | 28,742 | 23 |
| \$150,000-200,000 | 97 | 5 | 35,499 | 28 |
| $\$ 200,000-500,000$ | 1,481 | 75 | 44,566 | 36 |
| \$500,000+ | 338 | 17 | 4,823 | 4 |
| Total | 1,974 | 100 | 124,995 | 100 |
| Median Value | $\$ 366,400$ | $\$ 180,200$ |  |  |
| RENTER OCCUPIED (With Cash Rent) |  |  |  |  |
| Under \$200 | 0 | 0 | 3,219 | 6 |
| \$200-\$300 | 0 | 0 | 2,002 | 4 |
| \$300-\$400 | 16 | 4 | 2,653 | 5 |
| \$400-\$500 | 0 | 0 | 4,479 | 8 |
| \$500-\$750 | 90 | 21 | 23,320 | 44 |
| \$750-1000 | 24 | 6 | 9,143 | 17 |
| \$1000+ | 46 | 11 | 5,690 | 11 |
| No Cash Rent | 246 | 58 | 2,733 | 5 |
| Total | 422 | 100 | 53,239 | 100 |
| Median Gross Rent | $\$ 724$ |  | $\$ 634$ |  |

## PERCENT OF INCOME SPENT ON HOUSING (Colts Neck Twsp)

1989

|  | $\$ 10,000$ | $\$ 10,000-$ | $\$ 20,000-$ | $\$ 35,000-$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | 19,900 | 34,900 | 49,900 | $\$ 50,000+$ |


| \% | Hous | Rented Owned Rented Owned Rented Owned Rented Owned Rented Owne |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 0-19\% | 1,026 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 29 | 0 | 62 | 0 | 929 |
| 20-24\% | 250 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 14 | 9 | 15 | 18 | 24 | 22 | 148 |
| 25-29\% |  |  | 0 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 23 | 0 | 24 | 11 | 150 |


| $30-34 \%$ | 168 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 18 | 14 | 11 | 35 | 0 | 83 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $35 \%$ | 488 | 25 | 34 | 33 | 72 | 7 | 50 | 6 | 84 | 0 | 177 |
| Total | 2,150 | 59 |  | 136 |  | 171 |  | 264 |  | 1,520 |  |

\# Hshlds

Source: 1990 U.S. Census

* $=$ Less than $1 \%$

Calculations by Queale \& Lynch, Inc.

Another measure of the cost of housing is reflected in the fact that 1,276 households out of 2,150 households (59\%) spent less than $25 \%$ of their income on housing. Another 218 households (10\%) spent from 25-29\% of their income on housing. Notwithstanding the high cost of housing in the Township, more than two-thirds of the households were spending less than 30\% of their income on housing which approximates COAH's guidelines [N.J.A.C. 5:93-7.4(d) $=28 \%$ of gross monthly income for owner-occupied units covering principle, interest, insurance, taxes and any condo fee. N.J.A.C. 5:93-7.4(e) = 30\% of gross monthly income for gross rent, including utilities, in rental units]. The ability to pay high housing costs and still be spending less than $30 \%$ of one's income is consistent with the Township's higher median income levels discussed later.

Of the 656 households ( $31 \%$ of the total) spending $30 \%$ or more of their income on housing, 260 of them earned less than $\$ 35,000$ ( $12 \%$ of all households in the Township and $40 \%$ of those households paying more than $30 \%$ of their income for housing).

| 59 | $3 \%$ | less than $\$ 10,000$ income |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 112 | $5 \%$ | $\$ 10,000$ to $\$ 19,900$ income |
| 89 | $4 \%$ | $\$ 20,000$ to $\$ 34,900$ income |
| 136 | $6 \%$ | $\$ 35,000$ to 49,900 income |
| 260 | $12 \%$ | $\$ 50,000+$ income |
| 656 | $31 \%$ | paying $30 \%$ or more of income for housing |

## Housing Occupancy Characteristics and Type

Plate 15, Occupancy Characteristics and Types, shows that of the 2,220 year-round housing units in 1980, $97 \%$ were occupied. In 1990, there were 2,921 units with $90 \%$ occupied. Of the occupied units, $75 \%$ were owner-occupied in 1990. Of all
units, $81 \%$ were detached, single family homes. Another $17 \%$ of the units (499) were attached housing, most of which (439) were in the N.W.S. Earle facility. In all, N.W.S. Earle contained 510 units (nearly one-fifth of all the housing in the Township). At the time of the Census, about one-third of the units at N.W.S. Earle were vacant and their vacancies represented two-thirds of the vacancies throughout the Township.

## Plate 15

 OCCUPANCY CHARACTERISTICS \& TYPES
## Township of Colts Neck



Year-Round Units:
Number of Rooms

| \# Units w/ 1 Room | 5 | $*$ | 2 | $*$ | not available |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| \# Units w/ 2 Rooms | 18 | 1 | 8 | $*$ | not available |
| \# Units w/ 3 Rooms | 23 | 1 | 26 | 1 | not available |
| \# Units w/ 4 Rooms | 91 | 4 | 118 | 4 | not available |
| \# Units w/ 5 Rooms | 166 | 7 | 277 | 10 not available |  |
| \# Units w/ 6+ Rooms | 1,917 | 87 | 2,490 | 85 not available |  |
|  | 2,220 | 100 | 2,921 | 100 |  |

Year-Round Units

## Number of Bedrooms

| \# Units w/ 0 bedrooms | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| \# Units w/ 1 bedroom | 46 | 2 | 31 | 1 | 8 | 1 | 23 |
| \# Units w/ 2 bedrooms | 244 | 11 | 374 | 13 | 197 | 37 | 177 |
| \# Units w/ 3 bedrooms | 712 | 32 | 717 | 25 | 133 | 25 | 584 |
| \# Units w/ 4 bedrooms | 957 | 43 | 1,268 | 43 | 175 | 33 | 1,093 |
| \# Units w/ 5+ bedrooms | 265 | 12 | 531 | 18 | 24 | 4 | 507 |
|  | 2,224 | 100 | 2,921 | 100 | 537 | 100 | 2,384 |

## Year-Round Housing Units

| 1 Detached | 2,105 | 95 | 2,367 | 81 | 14 | 3 | 2,353 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1 Attached | 37 | 2 | 499 | 17 | 439 | 86 | 60 |
| 2 | 53 | 2 | 5 | $*$ | 38 | 7 | 8 |
| 3 and 4 | 0 | 0 | 41 | 1 |  |  |  |
| 5 or more | 27 | 1 |  | 9 | $*$ | 11 | 2 |
| Mobile Home | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 8 |
| Other | n/a | n/a n/a | n/a n/a | n/a 0 | 2 | 0 |  |
|  | 2,224 | 100540 | 100 | 2,921 | 100 | 510 | 0 |
|  |  |  |  |  | 100 | 2,421 |  |

[^0]Source: 1980 and 1990 Census

As to the size of units, $85 \%$ of the housing units contained 6 or more rooms. Since 1980, the number of homes with $6+$ rooms increased $1.3 x$ while homes with 5 rooms increased 1.7x. In short, the development of housing in the Township has been primarily large, detached single family homes.

Another measure of the size of new housing is the number of bedrooms. Larger homes with 4 or more bedrooms increased from $55 \%$ to $61 \%$ of the total between 1980 and 1990. Of the smaller units, there were 1,122 units with 1 to 3 bedrooms throughout the Township. Of these, 784 were outside of N.W.S. Earle and 338 were inside the Earle facility. These smaller units represented $38 \%$ of all units throughout the Township, but about two-thirds of the housing in Earle and onethird of the housing in the remainder of the Township.

| Number of Rooms |  | Number of Bedrooms |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1980 |  | 1980 |  |
| \# Units w/ 4 Rooms | $91=4 \%$ | \# Units w/ 2 bedrooms | 244 = 11\% |
| \# Units w/ 5 Rooms | 166 = 7\% | \# Units w/ 3 bedrooms | $712=32 \%$ |
| \# Units w/ 6+ Rooms | 1,917 = 87\% | \# Units w/ 4+ bedrooms | 1,222 = 55\% |
| 1990 |  | 1990 |  |
| \# Units w/ 4 Rooms | $118=4 \%$ | \# Units w/ 2 bedrooms | $374=13 \%$ |
| \# Units w/ 5 Rooms | 277 = 10\% | \# Units w/ 3 bedrooms | 717 = 25\% |



Plate 16, Household Population, compares the number of units by the number of people living in them. The trend is that homes are being occupied by fewer people at the same time larger homes are being constructed. For example, the number and percentage of households having only one or two people have been increasing ( $28 \%$ in 1970 , to $31 \%$ in 1980 and $39 \%$ by 1990). The number and percentage of 3 -person households have also grown. Households with 4 and 5 persons increased in number from 1970 to 1980, then stabilized between 1980 and 1990, but during this entire period declined as a percentage of the total. Households with $6+$ persons have declined both numerically and as a percentage of the total. Since 1970, the median number of people per unit has declined more than $15 \%$ from 3.8 people to 3.2 people.


Source: U.S. Census

Calculations by Queale \& Lynch, Inc.
Percentage totals may not add due to rounding.

Plate 17, General Housing Characteristics, shows the growth in housing units from 1960 through 1990 and compares the Township's characteristics with the County and State. In this thirty year period the number of housing units grew by $4 x$ in the Township, while it grew $1.9 x$ in the County and $2.5 x$ throughout the State. The major differences in these growth patterns is that the dominant growth period in the State was concentrated in the 1950s and 1960s compared to the County's major growth period having been mostly in the 1960s while the Township's was during the 1960s and 1970s. This pattern of development is consistent with the expansion of the older suburban areas nearer Philadelphia and New York first, expanding along the coastal areas as development spread farther from New York in the 1970s, then reaching more remote areas later in the 1970s and into the 1980s.

Plate 17
GENERAL HOUSING CHARACTERISTICS
1970, 1980 \& 1990

|  |  | Colts <br> Neck |  |  |  |  |  | Monmouth <br> County | New Jersey |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |

## Sources: U.S. Census

N.J. Dept. of Labor \& Industry for Building Permit Data

Calculations by Queale \& Lynch, Inc.

Units Affordable to Low/Moderate Income Households New affordable units meeting COAH's requirements were constructed in "The Grande" development which was completed in November 1995. Although the program has been in place since 1985, and "The Grande" was approved for a total of 276 units, including 88 low and moderate income units, delays in obtaining utility services, then the poor market conditions, followed by a request to change the development to detached single family homes caused the beginning of the construction program to lag. The 88 affordable units plus a $\$ 250,000$ cash contribution for other housing programs for a total obligation of 100 affordable units required in the CourtÕs "builder's remedy" Judgment have been completed. The obligation for other affordable units on farms as set forth in the Judgment will be pursued. The number of units identified for rehabilitation in the Township will be appealed.

Using Census data, the Township's median household income was \$75,119 in 1990 (compared to $\$ 38,077$ in 1980). The 1990 number was about double the region's median. The result is that when 50\% of the region's median income is used (Mercer, Monmouth and Ocean Counties) to calculate the top end of the "low income" range, the eligible household income is half what it would be if the Township's median income figure had been used. The same situation results when calculating 50\%-80\% of the median income to set the moderate income limits. COAH's 1990 Eligible Income Limits for Monmouth County for 3-person households were $\$ 18,855$ and $\$ 30,168$, respectively. The sales and rent prices for the affordable units in the Township must be based on COAH's regional numbers.

## PROJECTION OF THE HOUSING STOCK THROUGH 1999 [N.J.A.C. 5:93-5.1(b)2]

As indicated below, the trend in new housing construction has been declining. While there are variations in housing production in any given year, the 1960s averaged 87 units/year, then dropped to 55/year during the 1970s, and 44/year during the 1980s. The details are shown on Plate 18, Trends in Housing Construction. 1971-73 and 1984-87 were peak periods of development during these years.

For purposes of projecting future growth, an average of 30 units/year has been assumed for the 1990s for normal market development. The 276 units in "The Grande" have been completed. It is assumed that the affordable units in "The Grande" will be a different marketing program than the other housing to be constructed in the Township and that neither will encroach on the other. Both together are expected to generate about 560 units between 1990 and the year 2000. Adding these to the 2,921 units reported in the Township by the 1990 Census, a total of about 3,480 dwelling units can be expected by the year 2000 .

| Years | \# Units |
| :--- | :--- |
| $1960-1969$ | avg. 87/yr. |
| $1970-1979$ | $548=$ avg. $55 /$ yr. |
| $1980-1989$ | $443=$ avg. 44/yr. |
| 20 Yr. Total | $991=$ avg. $50 /$ yr. |
| 1990 | 18 |
| 1991 | 18 |

It is also clear that there is continuous turnover in occupancy throughout the Township. While $23 \%$ of the 1990 housing stock was built during the 1980s, $54 \%$ of the population moved into the Township during that same period. In the case of the housing in N.W.S. Earle, about one-third of the units were built before 1970, another $16 \%$ during the 1970 s, with more than half constructed during the 1980s. However, of the people living at Earle as of the 1990 Census, $100 \%$ moved there during the 1980s reflecting the military's policy of 3-year tours of duty at this facility.

A continuation of the established housing program is intended. With the completion of the units in "The Grande" and with the rental credits anticipated from 22 of those units, the bulk of the 1987-1993 obligation will be met ( 88 low and moderate income units plus 22 rental credits plus $\$ 250,000$ in cash for 25 rehabilitated units $=135$ units plus 15 units of other zoned land in the A-4 Zone plus 12 units on farms $=162$ units).

In addition, the appeal of COAH's 1993-1999 numbers is expected to result in a reduction of the 33 units identified as requiring rehabilitation. These 33 units were computer generated and bear no resemblance to actual conditions in the Township. The result is that with the 135 units noted above, together with 12 units on farms, and the additional 15-unit capacity in the remainder of the A-4 Zone, the Township's affordable housing program provides a reasonable opportunity for the adjusted "fair share" to be met. If there are any remaining units, they are expected to be accommodated through a Regional Contribution Agreement.

## Plate 18 <br> TRENDS IN HOUSING CONSTRUCTION

## Housing Units Authorized by Building Permits

1970-1991

| Year | Colts | 5-Year | Monmouth | Twsp as |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Neck | Averages | County | \% of County |
| Sub-Total 1960s | 869 | 87/yr |  |  |
| 1970 | 49 |  | 3,386 | 1.4 |
| 1971 | 87 |  | 5,077 | 1.7 |
| 1972 | 86 |  | 5,433 | 1.6 |
| 1973 | 77 |  | 5,393 | 1.4 |
| 1974 | 27 | 65/yr | 1,335 | 2.0 |
| 1975 | 33 |  | 956 | 3.5 |
| 1976 | 47 |  | 1,979 | 2.4 |
| 1977 | 30 |  | 2,863 | 1.0 |
| 1978 | 66 |  | 3,065 | 2.1 |
| 1979 | 46 | 44/yr | 2,965 | 1.6 |
| Sub-Total 1970s | 548 | 55/yr | 32,452 | $3,245=1.7 \%$ |
| 1980 | 10 |  | 2,358 | 0.4 |
| 1981 | 30 |  | 2,152 | 1.4 |
| 1982 | 21 |  | 2,096 | 1.0 |
| 1983 | 52 |  | 4,217 | 1.2 |
| 1984 | 69 | 36/yr | 4,258 | 1.6 |
| 1985 | 52 |  | 5,775 | 0.9 |
| 1986 | 81 |  | 5,896 | 1.4 |
| 1987 | 72 |  | 4,247 | 1.7 |
| 1988 | 34 |  | 2,635 | 1.3 |
| 1989 | 22 | 52/yr | 2,253 | 1.0 |
| Sub-Total 1980s | 443 | 44/yr | 35,887 | $3,589 / \mathrm{yr}=1.2 \%$ |
| 1990 | 18 |  | 1,476 | 1.2 |
| 1991 | 18 |  | 1,844 | 1.0 |
| 1992 | 55 |  | 2,543 | 2.2 |
| 1993 | 38 |  | 2,904 | 1.3 |
| 1994 | 258 | 77/yr | 2,901 | 8.9 |
| Sub-Total 1990-94 | 387 | 77/yr | 11,668 | 3.3 |
|  |  | R UNIT BU |  |  |


|  | Township |  |  | N.W.S. Earle | Colts Neck |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Before 1940 | 247 | $8 \%$ | 38 | $7 \%$ | YEAR MOVED INTO UNIT |  |  |
| 1940s | 118 | $4 \%$ | 17 | 3 | (Occupied Units) |  |  |
| 1950s | 195 | $7 \%$ | 30 | 6 | Before 1960 | 106 | $4 \%$ |
| 1960s | 963 | $33 \%$ | 79 | 15 | $1960 s$ | 478 | $18 \%$ |
| 1970s | 723 | $25 \%$ | 84 | 16 | $1970 s$ | 623 | $24 \%$ |


| 1980s | 675 | $23 \%$ | 289 | 54 | $1980 s$ | 1,433 | $54 \%$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2,921 | $100 \%$ | 537 | 100 | Totals | 2,640 | $100 \%$ |

Mean Year 1969
Sources: N.J. Department of Labor \& Industry and 1990 Census

DEMOGRAPHIC CHARACTERISTICS [N.J.A.C. 5:93-5.1(b)3]
Plate 19, General Population Characteristics, indicates that the largest population growth period in the Township occurred between 1960 and 1970 when the population grew by almost 3,650 people, or $170 \%$, or $2.7 x$ the 1960 population. Subsequent decades have resulted in population gains of $36 \%$ and $9 \%$.

## Plate 19 <br> GENERAL POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS

|  | Colts <br> Neck | Monmouth <br> County | New Jersey |
| :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1950 Population | 1,814 | 225,327 | $4,835,329$ |
| 1960 Population | 2,177 | 334,401 | $6,066,782$ |
| \% Change 1950-1960 | $20 \%$ | $48 \%$ | $26 \%$ |
| 1970 Population | 5,819 | 461,849 | $7,171,112$ |
| \% Change 1960-1970 | $167 \%$ | $38 \%$ | $18 \%$ |
| 1980 Population | 7,888 | 503,173 | $7,364,823$ |
| \% Change 1970-1980 | $36 \%$ | $9 \%$ | $3 \%$ |
| 1990 Population | 8,559 | 553,124 | $7,730,188$ |
| \% Change 1980-1990 | $9 \%$ | $10 \%$ | $5 \%$ |


| Age Groups |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1980 |  |  |  |
| Under 5 | $4.3 \%$ | $6.2 \%$ | $6.3 \%$ |
| $5-17$ | $27.2 \%$ | $22.4 \%$ | $20.7 \%$ |
| $18-64$ | $61.3 \%$ | $59.6 \%$ | $61.3 \%$ |
| 65 \& Over | $7.2 \%$ | $11.8 \%$ | $11.7 \%$ |
| 1990 |  |  |  |
| Under 5 | $7.4 \%$ | $7.0 \%$ | $6.9 \%$ |
| 5-17 | $18.2 \%$ | $17.3 \%$ | $16.4 \%$ |
| $18-64$ | $66.5 \%$ | $62.9 \%$ | $63.4 \%$ |
| $65 \&$ Over | $7.9 \%$ | $12.7 \%$ | $13.3 \%$ |
| Persons Per | 31.6 sq mi | 471.6 sq mi | $7,496 \mathrm{sq} \mathrm{mi}$ |

## Square Mile

| 1950 | 57 | 479 | 645 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1960 | 69 | 709 | 809 |
| 1970 | 184 | 968 | 957 |
| 1980 | 250 | 1,055 | 983 |
| 1990 | 271 | 1,173 | 1,031 |
| 1980 Characteristics |  |  |  |
| Median Age | 32.8 | 32.3 | 32.2 |
| Median Household Size | 2.47 | 2.54 | 2.47 |
| 1990 Characteristics | 34.6 | 2.74 | 2.70 |

Source: U.S. Census
Calculations by Queale \& Lynch, Inc.

Between 1980 and 1990, the median age increased while the number of people per unit decreased. The Township's population density of 271 people per square mile is one-quarter of the county and state densities. This condition continues to reflect the Township's position away from the major growth corridors in the County (Route 9 and the Parkway/Rt. 35 corridor) and the major areas devoted to farmland and open space within Colts Neck.

The age characteristics shown on Plate 20, Age Group Trends, indicate how the Township aged from 1970 to 1990's aging. There was only a slight gain in the number of children under age 5 between 1970 and 1990 while the number of children aged 5-14 reached its peak in 1970 and has declined since. The 15-34 age group had significant growth (1.9x between 1970 and 1990) while those 35-44 increased 1.3x.

## Plate 20

AGE GROUP TRENDS

COLTS NECK

|  | 1960 |  | 1970 |  | 1980 |  | 1990 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Number | \% | Number | \% | Number | \% | Number | \% |  |
| Under 5 | 239 | 11 | 458 | 8 | 342 | 4 | 634 | 7 |
| 5-14 | 385 | 17 | 1,633 | 28 | 1,537 | 20 | 1,145 | 13 |


| $15-24$ | 242 | 11 | 676 | 12 | 1,536 | 19 | 1,408 | 17 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $25-34$ | 240 | 11 | 645 | 11 | 722 | 9 | 1,142 | 13 |
| $35-44$ | 333 | 15 | 1,016 | 17 | 1,348 | 17 | 1,067 | 13 |
| $45-54$ | 278 | 12 | 694 | 12 | 1,223 | 16 | 1,534 | 18 |
| $55-64$ | 236 | 11 | 387 | 7 | 614 | 8 | 954 | 11 |
| $65 \&$ Over | 275 | 12 | 310 | 5 | 566 | 8 | 675 | 8 |
| TOTAL | 2,228 | 100 | 5,819 | 100 | 7,888 | 100 | 8,559 | 100 |
| Median Age | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ |  | 27.9 |  | 32.8 |  | 34.6 |  |
| Under 18 | $\mathrm{n} / \mathrm{a}$ | 2,430 | 42 | 2,510 | 32 | 2,192 | 29 |  |
| Over 65 | 215 | 10 | 310 | 5 | 566 | 7 | 675 | 8 |

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| Under 5 | 39,062 | 12 | 40,440 | 9 | 31,423 | 6 | 38,969 | 7 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $5-14$ | 64,253 | 19 | 99,053 | 22 | 82,161 | 16 | 73,795 | 13 |
| $15-24$ | 38,386 | 12 | 71,831 | 16 | 84,442 | 17 | 72,282 | 13 |
| $25-34$ | 43,647 | 13 | 55,730 | 12 | 75,222 | 15 | 91,357 | 17 |
| $35-44$ | 47,559 | 14 | 56,997 | 12 | 64,341 | 13 | 92,488 | 17 |
| $45-54$ | 37,616 | 11 | 52,324 | 11 | 56,078 | 11 | 63,691 | 12 |
| $55-64$ | 29,684 | 9 | 38,085 | 8 | 49,970 | 10 | 50,155 | 9 |
| $65 \&$ Over | 34,194 | 10 | 44,919 | 10 | 59,536 | 12 | 70,387 | 13 |
| TOTAL | 334,401 | 100 | 459,379 | 100 | 503,173 | 100 | 553,124 | 100 |

Source: U.S. Census
Calculations by Queale \& Lynch, Inc.

The $16 \%$ increase in the median age from 29.9 in 1970 to 34.6 by 1990 resulted largely from the increase in persons age 45 and over (from 1,391 to 3,163 between 1970 and 1990, or $2.3 x$ the 1970 population. By comparison, the median age at N.W.S. Earle is 22.2 years with less than $1 \%$ over age 65). The total population in 1990 was $1.5 x$ the 1970 population). The increase in the number of people age 45 and over represented two-thirds of the total population growth between 1970 and 1990.

Between 1980 and 1990, the data indicate a $38 \%$ increase (from 1,180 to 1,629) in the number of people aged 45+. During this same period there was only a $1 \%$ increase in the number of people aged $25-44$ (from 2,571 to 2,601 people). Although this younger age group had only a modest increase in population, there was an significant increase in the number of births which iscompared to the previous decade ( 139 births during the 1970s vs. 278 during the 1980s). The increase in births is assumed to be largely generated by this 25-44 age group. As a
result, by 1990 the number of pre-school children had almost doubled (reflecting the increase in births) although the total number of children up to age 14 dropped from 3,415 to $3,187(-6.6 \%)$. High school and college aged residents grew from 722 to 1,142 (+58\%). Notwithstanding the trend in the Census data showing an overall aging population and declining family size in the Township, school enrollments have been rising. Studies completed by the Board of Education in 1992, 1993, and 1996 have estimated continued increases in enrollments for several years. It is not known at this time whether the growth in enrollment is the result of an increase in the number of younger families moving into the Township, or an increase in the birth rate, or some combination of the two; or whether it is part of a longer-term trend or a shorter-term phenomenon.

In an effort to see the influence births and deaths might be having on the Township's population growth, Plate 21, Births, Deaths, and Natural Increase, was developed. There was an average of 41 births a year in the later 1970s. This increased to $48 /$ year in the early 1980s, then jumped to $72 /$ year in the late 1980 s. While the late 1980s also had an increase in the number of deaths consistent with some aging of the population, the increase in the number of deaths was at a lower rate than the increase in the number of births. Hence, the ratio of births to deaths has increased from an average of 1.1 births per death during the latter half of the 1970s, to 1.4 in the first half of the 1980s, and to 2.1 in the second half of the 1980s.

## Plate 21 BIRTHS, DEATHS AND NATURAL INCREASE

1970-1989

|  | Colts Neck |  |  | Monmouth County |  |  |  | Ratio of Births:Deaths |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: |
| Year | Births | Deaths | N.I. | Births | Deaths | N.I. | Twsp | Co. | N.J. |  |
| 1970 | 65 | 30 | 35 | 7,923 | 4,322 | 3,601 | 2.2 | 1.8 | 1.77 |  |
| 1971 | 72 | 21 | 51 | 7,458 | 4,302 | 3,156 | 3.4 | 1.7 | 1.65 |  |
| 1972 | 57 | 42 | 15 | 6,592 | 4,417 | 2,175 | 1.4 | 1.5 | 1.44 |  |
| 1973 | 59 | 34 | 25 | 6,150 | 4,396 | 1,754 | 1.7 | 1.4 | 1.37 |  |
| 1974 | 43 | 30 | 13 | 6,277 | 4,334 | 1,943 | 1.4 | 1.4 | 1.41 |  |
| 1975 | 48 | 23 | 25 | 5,849 | 4,360 | 1,489 | 2.1 | 1.3 | 1.40 |  |
| 1976 | 47 | 42 | 5 | 5,866 | 4,457 | 1,409 | 1.1 | 1.3 | 1.39 |  |
| 1977 | 33 | 35 | -2 | 5,986 | 4,578 | 1,408 | 0.9 | 1.3 | 1.43 |  |
| 1978 | 30 | 41 | -11 | 5,961 | 4,479 | 1,482 | 0.7 | 1.3 | 1.43 |  |
| 1979 | 47 | 46 | 1 | 5,075 | 4,510 | 565 | 1.0 | 1.1 | 1.46 |  |
| 1980 | 41 | 34 | 7 | 6,044 | 4,651 | 1,393 | 1.2 | 1.3 | 1.40 |  |
| 1981 | 36 | 36 | 0 | 6,158 | 4,717 | 1,441 | 1.0 | 1.3 | 1.43 |  |
| 1982 | 50 | 30 | 20 | 6,459 | 4,722 | 1,737 | 1.7 | 1.4 | 1.46 |  |
| 1983 | 49 | 39 | 10 | 6,319 | 4,938 | 1,381 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 1.44 |  |


| 1984 | 66 | 33 | 33 | 6,669 | 5,032 | 1,637 | 2.0 | 1.3 | 1.46 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1985 | 57 | 31 | 26 | 7,130 | 5,086 | 2,044 | 1.8 | 1.4 | 1.49 |
| 1986 | 77 | 34 | 43 | 7,518 | 5,001 | 2,517 | 2.3 | 1.5 | 1.52 |
| 1987 | 83 | 36 | 47 | 8,020 | 5,152 | 2,868 | 2.3 | 1.6 | 1.58 |
| 1988 | 71 | 46 | 25 | 8,069 | 4,990 | 3,079 | 1.5 | 1.6 | 1.62 |
| 1989 | 71 | 27 | 44 |  |  |  | 2.6 |  | 1.73 |
| $1970 s$ | 501 | 344 | 157 | 63,137 | 44,155 | 18,982 | 1.5 | 1.4 | N.A. |
| $1980 s$ | 601 | 346 | 255 |  |  |  | 1.7 |  | N.A. |

## Source: NJ Department of Health

Natural increase is calculated by subtracting deaths from births.
Natural increase and birth:death ratios calculated by Queale \& Lynch, Inc.

Plate 22, Colts Neck Age Group Trends, takes the births during the 1970s and 1980s, adds them to the Census data at the beginning of each decade, and deducts deaths by age groups during each decade. The result is compared to each age group's population at the end of the decade (now 10 years older) to estimate migration patterns by age group. From 1970 to 1980, the major impact was the inmigration of persons attaining age 35-44 by 1980 with their children under age 14. The same pattern existed for this age group between 1980 and 1990. As for other age groups between 1980 and 1990, there were patterns of out-migration as one age group aged into the next higher age group. This occurred for the teenagers of 1980 maturing into the college age group (15-24) by 1990, the college age group aging into young adults (25-34), and the different age groups aged 45+ in 1980 as they advanced a decade to the year 1990 (e.g. 45-54 aging into 55-64). Yet, although each of these groups reflected a loss of population as that group advanced in age, a larger and younger group was taking their place so that the population of a given age group (say age 55-64) actually increased in population when comparing 1980 to 1990.

Plate 22
COLTS NECK AGE GROUP TRENDS

1970 to 1990

| 1970 | 1970 | 1980 | 1970 to 1980 | 1980 |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Age | Population | Age | Group | +Births-Deaths | Survived <br> Population | Migration |
| Group |  | Under 5 | $205-2$ | 203 | 139 | 342 |
|  |  | $5-9$ | $296-3$ | 293 | 250 | 543 |
|  |  | $10-14$ | -2 | 456 | 538 | 994 |


| $5-14$ | 1,633 | $15-24$ | -12 | 1,621 | -85 | 1,536 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $15-24$ | 676 | $25-34$ | -9 | 667 | 55 | 722 |
| $25-34$ | 645 | $35-44$ | -12 | 633 | 715 | 1,348 |
| $35-44$ | 1,016 | $45-54$ | -42 | 974 | 249 | 1,223 |
| $45-54$ | 694 | $55-64$ | -67 | 627 | -13 | 614 |
| $55-64$ | 387 | $65-74$ | -82 | 305 | 48 | 353 |
| $65+$ | 310 | $75+$ | -151 | 159 | -54 | 213 |
| Total | 5,819 |  | -119 | 5,938 | 1,950 | 7,888 |
| Births $=501$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Deaths $=344$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 1980 | 1980 | Age | 1980 to 1990 | 1990 | 1980 to 90 | 1990 |
| Age | Population | Group | + Births-Deaths | Population | Migration | Population |
| Group |  | Under 5 | $359-3$ | 356 | 278 | 634 |
|  |  | $5-9$ | 239 | 313 | 552 |  |
| Under 5 | 342 | $10-14$ | -2 | 340 | 253 | 593 |
| $5-14$ | 1,537 | $15-24$ | -11 | 1,526 | -118 | 1,408 |
| $15-24$ | 1,536 | $25-34$ | -20 | 1,516 | -374 | 1,142 |
| $25-34$ | 722 | $35-44$ | -13 | 709 | 358 | 1,067 |
| $35-44$ | 1,348 | $45-54$ | -56 | 1,292 | 242 | 1,534 |
| $45-54$ | 1,223 | $55-64$ | -117 | 1,106 | -152 | 954 |
| $55-64$ | 614 | $65-74$ | -130 | 484 | -76 | 408 |
| $65+$ | 566 | $75+$ | -277 | 289 | -22 | 267 |
| Total | 7,888 |  | -31 |  |  | 702 |
| Births $=601$ |  |  |  |  | 8,559 |  |
| Deaths $=346$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Sources:

## U.S. Census

Births \& Deaths: N.J. Dept. of Health
Birth \& Deaths by Age Group estimated by Queale \& Lynch, Inc.
from published U.S. Census survival rates.
Calculations by Queale \& Lynch, Inc.

Plate 23, 1980 and 1990 Income Levels, indicates that the median household income of $\$ 38,077$ in 1980 nearly doubled to $\$ 75,119$ by 1990. This nearly doubling of the median household income is less than the $2.8 x$ increase in housing values and rent levels during the same period. The implication is that some people now living in the Township could no longer afford to move into Colts Neck and that others moving in may have to pay a higher percentage of their income for housing.

## Plate 23

## 1980 and 1990 INCOME LEVELS

## Township of Colts Neck

Household Income Levels
Less than \$ 5000
\$ 5,000 - \$ 9,999
\$10,000-\$12,499
\$12,500-\$14,999
\$15,000-\$17,499
\$17,500-\$19,999
\$20,000 - \$22,499
\$22,500 - \$24,999
\$25,000-\$27,499
\$27,500-\$29,999
\$30,000-\$34,999
\$35,000-\$39,999
\$40,000 - \$49,999
\$50,000-\$74,999
\$75,000-\$99,999
\$100,000-\$149,999
\$150,000 or more

Median

Poverty Status of Persons
below 75\% of Poverty Level
betwn 75\%-124\%
betwn 125\%-149\%
betwn 150\% - 199\%
200\% or more

| 1980 |  | 1990 | NWS Earle |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Number | \% | Total Twsp | \% | Number | \% |
| 71 | 3 | 26 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| 86 | 4 | 50 | 2 | 18 | 5 |
| 42 | 2 | 59 | 2 |  |  |
| 90 | 4 | 28 | 1 | 27 | 8 |
| 86 | 4 | 71 | 3 |  |  |
| 39 | 2 | 109 | 4 |  |  |
| 127 | 6 | 32 | 1 | 197 | 56 |
| 63 | 3 | 75 | 3 |  |  |
| 83 | 4 | 30 | 1 |  |  |
| 101 | 5 | 76 | 3 | 70 | 20 |
| 202 | 9 | 73 | 3 |  |  |
| 153 | 7 | 99 | 4 |  |  |
| 359 | 16 | 177 | 7 | 15 | 4 |
| 481 | 22 | 414 | 16 | 24 | 7 |
|  |  | 448 | 17 | 0 | 0 |
| 195 | 9 | 426 | 16 | 0 | 0 |
|  |  | 451 | 17 | 0 | 0 |
| 2,178 | 99 | 2,644 | 100 | 351 | 100 |
| $\$ 38,077$ |  | $\$ 75,119$ |  | $\$ 19,986$ |  |


| 1979 | Income: | 1989 Income |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 91 | 1 | 123 | 1 |
| 152 | 2 | 386 | 5 |
| 114 | 2 | 114 | 1 |
| 394 | 5 | 339 | 4 |
| 6,751 | 90 | 7,376 | 88 |
| 7,502 | 100 | 8,338 | 99 |

Ages of Persons Below Poverty Level

| age $0-17$ | not available | 80 | 4 |
| :--- | :---: | :--- | :--- |
| age $18-64$ | not available | 120 | 2 |
| age $65+$ | not available | 18 | 3 |
| Total | not available | 218 | 3 |

* = less than $1 \%$

Source: 1980 aand 1990 Census

With respect to income, however, it appears that more people were below the poverty level in 1990 compared to 1980 (est. $130=1.6 \%$ in 1980 compared to 218
$=2.5 \%$ in 1990). As shown, those below $75 \%$ of the poverty level increased from 91 people in 1979 to 123 people in 1989.

## EXISTING AND PROBABLE FUTURE EMPLOYMENT CHARACTERISTICS [N.J.A.C. 5:93-5.1(b)4]

As shown on Plate 24, Employment Characteristics, the Township has had an irregular, but steady increase in the number of "covered" jobs (defined as jobs where employees are subject to the New Jersey Unemployment Compensation Law. These jobs do not include federal, state and education jobs since they have their own unemployment compensation funds). Since 1989, the number declined as it did in both the county and the state as a result of the national economy. The data also show that since 1980 the Township has maintained a relatively consistent position with around $0.7 \%$ of the County's "covered" jobs, with the mid-1980s being the peak years for jobs. The data also make clear that Colts Neck is not a job center and that most jobs are of a retail or service nature.

## Plate 24

## EMPLOYMENT CHARACTERISTICS

(Covered Jobs)
Township of Colts Neck

| Year | Colts Neck | County | \% of County | New Jersey |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1972 | 532 | 96,182 | 0.6 | $2,243,598$ |
| 1973 | 583 | 103,489 | 0.6 | $2,323,229$ |
| 1974 | 548 | 105,487 | 0.5 | $2,324,649$ |
| 1975 | 654 | 104,416 | 0.6 | $2,217,132$ |
| 1976 | 660 | 106,950 | 0.6 | $2,269,709$ |
| 1977 | 636 | 110,056 | 0.5 | $2,344,731$ |
| 1978 | 800 | 121,710 | 0.7 | $2,468,644$ |
| 1979 | 675 | 124,155 | 0.5 | $2,529,140$ |
| 1980 | 738 | 126,165 | 0.6 | $2,530,556$ |
| 1981 | 743 | 129,416 | 0.6 | $2,589,641$ |
| 1982 | 829 | 131,493 | 0.6 | $2,566,143$ |
| 1983 | 1,034 | 139,047 | 0.7 | $2,680,826$ |
| 1984 | 1,189 | 154,573 | 0.8 | $2,813,014$ |
| 1985 | 1,172 | 155,240 | 0.8 | $2,869,833$ |
| 1986 | 1,447 | 161,207 | 0.9 | $2,949,495$ |
| 1987 | 1,214 | 171,520 | 0.7 | $3,047,993$ |
| 1988 | 1,426 | 175,707 | 0.8 | $3,057,982$ |
| 1989 | 1,274 | 178,154 | 0.7 | $3,053,176$ |
| 1990 | 1,252 | 170,419 | 0.7 | $2,966,892$ |
| 1991 | 1,124 | 163,333 | 0.7 | $2,830,215$ |
| Employed | Persons Age | Colts Neck |  |  |


| 16+ by Industry 1990 | Number\% |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Agriculture | 131 | 3 |
| Construction | 191 | 5 |
| Manufacturing | 440 | 11 |
| Transportation | 99 | 3 |
| Communications | 171 | 4 |
| Wholesale Trade | 150 | 4 |
| Retail Trade | 678 | 17 |
| Finance/Insurance/Real Estate | 599 | 15 |
| Business \& Repair Services | 180 | 5 |
| Personal/Entertain't/Recreation138 | 3 |  |
| Professional Services: |  |  |
| Health | 296 | 8 |
| Education | 291 | 7 |
| Other | 409 | 10 |
| Public Administration | 198 | 5 |
|  | 3,971 | 100 |
|  |  |  |
| Employed Persons |  |  |
| by Class | 3,130 | 79 |
| Private Wage \& Salary | 518 | 13 |
| Government | 323 | 8 |
| Self-Employed | 0 | 0 |
| Unpaid Family Worker | 3,971 | 100 |

Sources: N.J. Department of Labor and 1990 Census

It is important to keep in mind that this count of "covered" jobs includes part-time help. During the 1980s a survey was done by Township staff. Some two-thirds of all jobs at that time were part-time jobs indicating further the absence of a major employment base in the Township. It is not known at this writing whether that ten year old ratio has been maintained, but there has been no significant development of new employment centers since that time to suggest there would have been a drastic change. In short, part-time help is expected to still represent a major segment of the "covered" jobs.

The 1990 Census indicates that the number of jobs held by Colts Neck residents totaled 3,971 (these are jobs both inside and outside the Township). Most jobs remained in retail trade (17\%), finance/insurance/real estate (15\%), manufacturing (11\%), and "other" professional (10\%). These four categories totaled 2,126 jobs and represented more than half the jobs held by Colts Neck residents. This distribution of jobs varied from the 1980 Census. At that time there were a total of 3,092 jobs held by Township residents. Of these, over half were in manufacturing (18\%), retail trade (15\%), business and repair services (11\%), and
finance/insurance/real estate (11\%). From 1980 to 1990, the number of manufacturing and business and repair jobs decreased, while the other major categories increased.

In 1990, $79 \%$ of the jobs were "private" wage and salaried positions (50\% of the jobs in N.W.S. Earle) compared to $13 \%$ being "government" such as the local schools, federal, state, county, and Township employees (50\% in N.W.S. Earle). The Township total was similar to the $80 \%$ and $11 \%$ being in these same categories in 1980, respectively.

Plate 25, Jobs:Housing Ratio, indicates the Township had something more than one-third job per housing unit in 1990 compared to about one-third job per unit over the previous twenty years. This is a much lower ratio than the state's 0.96 and about half the county's average of 0.78 job per unit. The 1990 ratio of 0.4 job per unit in the Township is expected to remain closer to the historic 0.33 level over time.

## Plate 25

## JOBS : HOUSING RATIO

1970, 1980 and 1990

| 1970 | Colts Neck | Monmouth County | New Jersey |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Year-Round Housing Units(1972) | 1,774 | 142,927 | $2,305,293$ |
| Covered Jobs (1972) | 532 | 96,182 | $2,243,598$ |
| Jobs per Housing Unit | 0.30 | 0.67 | 0.97 |
|  |  |  |  |
| 1980 | 2,224 | 180,428 | $2,687,754$ |
| Year-Round Housing Units | 738 | 126,165 | $2,530,556$ |
| Covered Jobs | 0.33 | 0.70 | 0.94 |
| Jobs per Housing Unit |  |  |  |
|  | 2,921 | 218,408 | $3,075,310$ |
| 1990 | 1,252 | 170,417 | $2,966,892$ |
| Year-Round Housing Units | 0.43 | 0.78 | 0.96 |

## Sources:

U.S. Census
N.J. Department of Labor \& Industry

Calculations by Queale \& Lynch, Inc.

Plate 26, Education Characteristics and Relationship to Work, indicates that as of 1990, about three-quarters of the Township's residents commuted by car alone, there were 2.3 vehicles per home, and the approximate travel time to work was 27 minutes (the short travel time is possibly skewed by the residents of N.W.S. Earle who work and live on the base). The data show that $62 \%$ of the residents worked in Monmouth County. Except for a higher average of vehicles per home, these characteristics were similar to the County data.

## Plate 26

## EDUCATION CHARACTERISTICS AND RELATIONSHIP TO WORK

Colts Neck and Monmouth County 1990

|  | Colts Neck |  | Monmouth County |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Number | \% | Number | \% |
| Relationship to Work (Person Age 16+) |  |  |  |  |
| Worked in Monmouth Co | 2,821 | 62 | 177,140 | 65 |
| Worked Outside Co, in NJ | 1,072 | 23 | 68,658 | 25 |
| Worked Outside NJ | 633 | 14 | 28,440 | 10 |
| Total | 4,526 | 99 | 274,238 | 100 |
| Travel Time to Work (Persons Age 16+) |  |  |  |  |
| Worked at Home | 121 | 3 | 7,370 | 3 |
| $<15$ min | 1,276 | 28 | 86,748 | 32 |
| 15-29 min | 1,557 | 34 | 80,179 | 29 |
| 30-44 min | 647 | 14 | 41,274 | 15 |
| 45-59 min | 318 | 7 | 19,798 | 7 |
| 1 hour or more | 607 | 13 | 38,869 | 14 |
|  | 4,526 | 99 | 274,238 | 100 |
| Mean Travel Time | 27.2 min. |  | 27.3 min. |  |
| Percentage Who Drove Alone | 73\% |  | 75\% |  |
| Mean \# Vehicles in Occupied Homes | 2.3 |  | 1.8 |  |
| Education (Persons Age 18+) |  |  |  |  |
| less than H.S. | 586 | 9 | 71,897 | 17 |
| High School | 1,619 | 25 | 127,180 | 30 |
| Some College | 1,327 | 21 | 81,465 | 19 |
| Assoc. or Bach. Degree | 1,881 | 30 | 97,646 | 23 |
| Graduate Degree | 952 | 15 | 39,856 | 10 |


| Totals | 6,365 | 100 | 418,044 | 99 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Children Under Age 18 |  |  |  |  |
| Parents in Work Force | 1,017 | 47 | 62,916 | 48 |
| Both Parents | 942 | 43 | 44,114 | 34 |
| Father Only | 0 | 0 | 1,070 | 1 |
| Mother Only | 16 | 1 | 805 | 1 |
| Neither Parent |  |  |  |  |
| Living w/One Parent | 144 | 7 | 16,777 | 13 |
| Parent in Work Force | 56 | 2 | 5,527 | 4 |
| Not in Work Force | 2,175 | 100 | 131,209 | 101 |

Source: 1990 Census

As of 1990, about two-thirds of the population (66\%) had some college education and of those, nearly half the population (45\%) attained a college degree of some sort. This was higher than the $52 \%$ and $33 \%$, respectively, for the county as a whole.

The 1990 Census also provides an insight into working parents and the potential need for child care facilities. Of the 2,175 children under age $18,47 \%$ have both parents in the work force. Another 7\% of the children have only one parent and that parent is in the work force. Together, $54 \%$ of all children under age 18 have no parent home during the working hours.

Based on the number of jobs and dwelling units existing in the Township (Plate 13), it is assumed that the higher ratio of jobs to housing in 1990 will settle at about 0.35 job per housing unit for the foreseeable future. It is anticipated that the number of houses will increase without a substantial increase in new businesses. Assuming the projection of housing development set forth above and applying this job ratio, a total of 3,480 dwelling units by the year 2000 can be expected to compare to about 1,220 jobs.

It is expected the job base will remain essentially as it has been with only minor fluctuations from year to year. A continuation of the types of services historically in Colts Neck is expected without any significant influx of new employment uses.

| Year | Dwellings | People/Unit | Pop. |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 1960 | 716 | 3.04 | 2,177 |
| 1970 | 1,550 | 3.75 | 5,819 |
| 1980 | 2,220 | 3.55 | 7,888 |
| 1990 | 2,921 | 2.93 | 8,559 |
| 2000 est. | 3,480 | 2.95 | 10,266 |
| 2010 est. | 3,880 | 3.00 | 11,640 |


[^0]:    * Less than 1\%
    ** Excluding Group Quarters in NWS Earle

