Diversity

Since April 2010, the population of the region has become more diverse. In April 2010, the percent of the population who are minority was 13.3 percent. Based on the July 1, 2019 Population Estimate, the percent of minority population has increased to 19.5 percent. Figure 1 provides detailed information.

Figure 1. Percent Minority Population, 2010 Census Estimates Base and 2019 Estimate

According to Figure 2, all counties, except Pike County, had percent increases from 2010 to 2019 in minority population that were greater than the nation (17.5 percent) and the state (19.5 percent). The percent minority increased in all areas and Luzerne County had the highest increase with 75.0 percent. In addition to Luzerne County, Lackawanna County, with 55.7 percent, had a higher percent increase than Northeastern Pennsylvania’s 43.4 percent.
Figure 2. Percent Change in Minority Population, 2010 Census Estimates Base and 2019 Estimate

Source: U.S. Census Bureau