

AURORA FACTS

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HISTORY

- Year Founded: 1891
- Original Name: Fletcher
- Name changed to Aurora in 1907

CITY GOVERNMENT

- Form of Government¹: Council City Manager
- Elected Council Members¹: 11 (Mayor, 6 Council Ward representatives, and 4 at large members)

Amenities²:

- Municipal Parks: 80
- Municipal Golf Courses: 7
- Public Libraries: 7

- Number of Counties within³: 3 (Adams, Arapahoe, and Douglas)

Source: ¹Aurora City Clerks's Office
²City of Aurora Parks and Recreation Department
³City of Aurora Planning Department

PHYSICAL FEATURES

- City Area¹: 144 square miles
- Official City Elevation²: 5,435 feet
- Elevation Change within City²: 944 feet
 - Highest Elevation²: 6,229 feet (1/4 mile north of intersection of Inspiration Drive and Antelope Trail in Douglas County)
 - Lowest Elevation²: 5,285 feet (Sand Creek Waste Water Reclamation Facility)

Source: ¹City of Aurora Planning Department
²City of Aurora Public Works Department

POPULATION

- City Estimated 2004 Population¹: 298,303
- Estimated Average Annual Growth Rate (1990—2004)¹: 2.13%
- Median Age (2000): 31.7 (Compared with 34.3 years for Colorado)
- Race and Ethnicity (% of Population in 2000):
 - White: 68.9%
 - Black: 13.4%
 - Asian: 4.4%
 - Hispanic: 19.8%
- Average Household Size (2000): 2.6
- Median family Income (2000): \$52,551 (Compared with \$61,008 for Metro Area)

Source: ¹City of Aurora Planning Department

HOUSING

- Number of Dwelling Units (2000): 109,260
- Percent Owner Occupied (2000): 63.9%
- Percent Renter Occupied (2000): 36.1%
- Percent of Single Family Detached Dwellings (2000): 49.8%
- Percent of Single Family Attached and Duplex Dwellings (2000): 13.2%
- Percent of Multi-Family Dwellings (2000): 36.1%
- Median Reported Value of Owner Occupied Housing (2000): \$144,600
- Median Reported Monthly Gross Rent of Rental Housing (2000): \$700

ECONOMY

- Employed Persons Living in Aurora (2000): 143,506

Occupation:

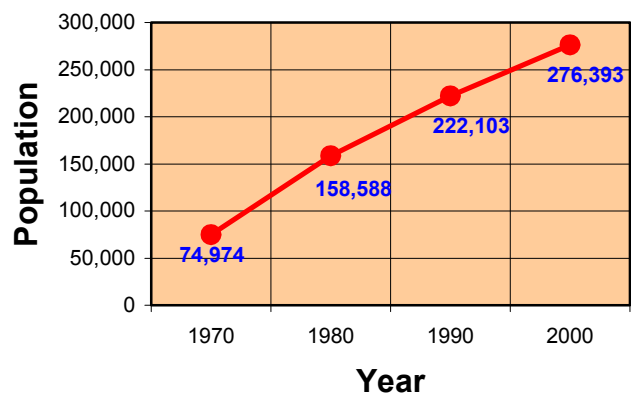
- Percent Working in Sales and Office Occupations (2000): 32.5%
- Percent Working in Management, Professional, and Related Occupations (2000): 30.7%
- Percent Working in Service Occupations (2000): 13.7%
- Percent Working in Production, Transportation, and Material Moving Occupations (2000): 12.0%
- Percent Working in Construction, Extraction, and Maintenance Occupations (2000): 11.0%
- Percent Working in Farming, Fishing, and Forestry Occupations (2000): .01%

- Number of People Working in Aurora: (2000): 112,816

- Square Feet of Retail Space in Aurora¹: 11 Million

Source: ¹City of Aurora Finance Department

Aurora's Population: 1970 to 2000
 (for 2004 estimate see left column)



Data Source : US Census 2000 unless otherwise indicated