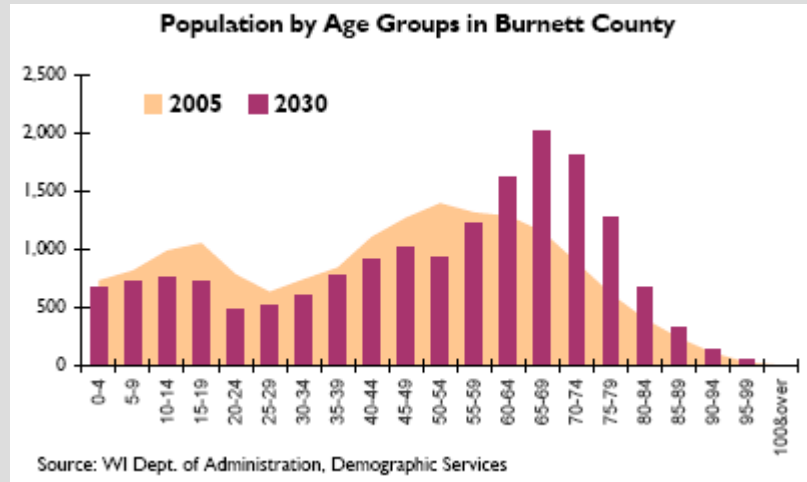


Aging Population Trends

The Wisconsin Department of Administration has projected that a significant shift in Burnett County's age structure will take place by 2030. More than 6,500 Burnett County residents are expected to be age 65 and older by that time, growing from 29% of the 2005 estimated population to 46% of the projected 2030 population.



Villages

Wisconsin's villages increased from 10.43 percent of the state's population in 1970 to 12.81 percent in 2000. Villages increased by 17.27 percent in the 1970s, 6.30 percent in the 1980s, and 19.66% during the 1990s. Overall, villages grew by a greater overall rate (49.16%) than towns (36.44%), cities excluding Milwaukee (19.54%), and the City of Milwaukee (-16.78%) during the 30-year period. In general, smaller places grew at a faster rate than larger ones since 1970.

Cities (Excluding Milwaukee)

Cities declined slightly from 45.66% of the total population in 1970 to 44.96 percent in 2000. Cities grew by 3.61% in the 1970s, 6.08% in the 1980s, and 8.76% during the 1990s.

Burnett County Trends

The following population and housing trends are likely to be experienced in Burnett County over the next 20 to 25 years. The following statements are based on recent trends that are expected to continue well into the future or the opinions of Burnett County citizens who are leaders in the housing field.

- ♦ The aging population is growing, and people over 65 are projected to comprise nearly a quarter of the county population by 2030.
- ♦ Minority populations are expected to increase.
- ♦ Expect continued interest in seasonal structures, especially hunting cabins.
- ♦ Expect the continued conversion of seasonal to permanent structures.
- ♦ Condominiums will increase as an option for seniors and first time home buyers.