

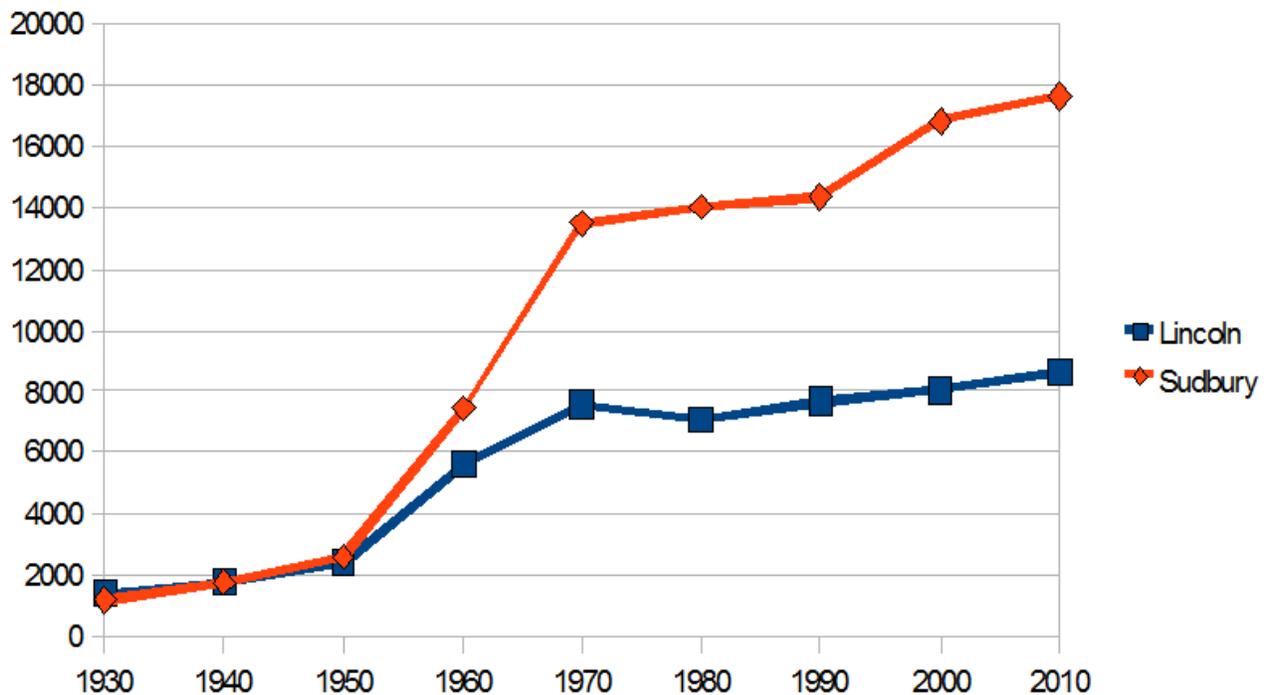
Summary of American Community Survey data, 2005-2009
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The following is a summary of demographic data collected by the Census Bureau between 2005 and 2009. Ideally we would have these data compiled over the past several decades to look at changes over time; however, this is a new survey that has only just been released for communities as small as Lincoln and Sudbury.

Population (from Decennial Census records since 1930)

Lincoln's population was greater than that of Sudbury until the 1950 Census, when the two towns were of similar size: Lincoln, 2427; Sudbury, 2596. The 1950s and '60s were a period of rapid growth for both Lincoln and Sudbury. Still, during this twenty-year period Lincoln grew considerably more slowly than Sudbury: whereas Lincoln merely tripled its size, Sudbury grew by a factor of five! Sudbury then had 13506 residents, a full 78% larger than the 7567 of Lincoln. The period between 1970 and 1990 saw fairly slow growth for both towns, but growth resumed in the 1990s when Sudbury's population took another jump to bring the two towns to their current estimated populations of 8,652 and 17,662.

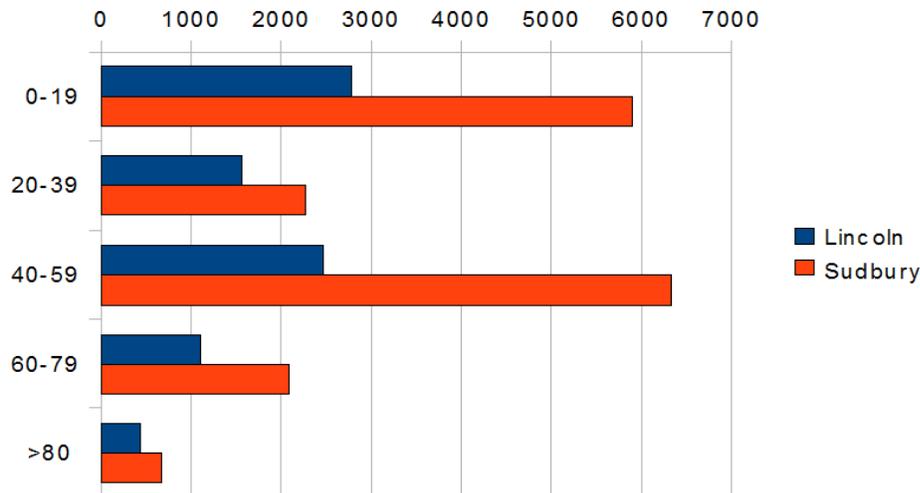
Population of Lincoln and Sudbury over time



Age structure

The percentage of minors in each town is approximately equal at 32%. Still, 45% of Lincoln's households have at least one child under eighteen whereas 54% of those of Sudbury do – as the following chart might help explain.

Current population of Lincoln and Sudbury broken down by 20-year age groups



Income structure

In both Lincoln and Sudbury, approximately 32% of the population took in a household income greater than \$200,000. However, Sudbury has a median household income of \$147,000 compared to Lincoln's \$120,000. Yet Lincoln's household income *per capita* of \$59,000 exceeds Sudbury's \$56,000.

Lincoln's 65+ population draws a much larger median household income than that of Sudbury, \$111,000 to \$65,000 respectively. Meanwhile, the median household income of Sudbury residents aged 25-44 \$172,000 – nearly double the corresponding \$87,000 in Lincoln.

Housing

Since the 1950s, Sudbury has sustained a substantially higher level of development than Lincoln, remarkably so within the past ten years. Between 2000 and 2004, Sudbury built 516 homes; Lincoln built 63. Correspondingly, nearly a third (32%) of Sudbury residents moved into their current house in the five-year period between 2000 and 2005, whereas Lincoln's corresponding figure is only 21%. However, since then Lincoln has had a surge of newcomers, with 27% of the Lincoln population moving in since 2005 compared to only 10% of the Sudbury population.

Sudbury's property values are on the whole substantially lower than Lincoln's, with a plurality (42%) in the \$500,000-\$750,000 range, whereas a plurality (42%) of Lincoln homes are valued at \$1,000,000 or more. The rate of Sudbury residents with mortgages exceeds that of Lincoln residents, as does the rate of residents with two mortgages and/or home equity loan.

Residential development: number of homes built

