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More people left NYS in 2015-16

New York lost another **191,367** residents to other states during the year ending last July 1, and its population declined for the first time in a decade, according to the U.S. Census Bureau's annual population estimates.

The latest estimated annual "net domestic migration" loss – equivalent to nearly the entire population of Yonkers, New York's fourth largest city – is the Empire State's largest since 2007. It brings New York's total outflow over the last six years to **846,669** people – more than any other state's, both in absolute terms and as a share of population as measured by the 2010 census.

As of July 1, New York's estimated population of 19,745,289 was down 1,894 people from a year earlier. While the decrease was slight – just 0.01 percent – 2015-16 marks the first year since 2005-06 in which New York State's estimated population dropped by any amount.

New York also was a national leader in two categories: foreign immigration, which added 118,748 residents, and "natural increase" (births minus deaths), which added 75,794 people. Only California and Florida attracted more foreign immigrants, and only California and Texas had higher natural gains.

The new data put New York further behind Florida, which moved ahead into third place in total state population rankings two years ago. While New York's population dipped, Florida gained another 367,525 residents in 2015-16. Texas led all states with a gain of 432,957 residents in that period. In percentage terms, Utah, Nevada, Idaho and Florida topped the list for 2015-16 growth.





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Components of Migra	ation, 2010-16
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	Foreign Immigration		Domestic Migration			Net Migration			
	Total	Rate ¹	Rank ²	Total	Rate1	Rank ²	Total	Rate ¹	Rank ²
Alabama	29,630	0.62%	47	-2,075	-0.04%	21	27,555	0.58%	32
Alaska	13,791	1.94%	14	-27,245	-3.84%	49	-13,454	-1.89%	50
Arizona	81,853	1.28%	25	223,380	3.49%	8	305,233	4.78%	10
Arkansas	19,238	0.66%	45	2,537	0.09%	20	21,775	0.75%	28
California	826,554	2.22%	11	-383,344	-1.03%	34	443,210	1.19%	24
Colorado	62,531	1.24%	27	243,671	4.85%	2	306,202	6.09%	4
Connecticut	100,910	2.82%	7	-135,684	-3.80%	47	-34,774	-0.97%	46
Delaware	15,135	1.69%	15	20,486	2.28%	14	35,621	3.97%	11
District of Columbia	23,794	3.95%	1	26,676	4.43%	5	50,470	8.39%	1
Florida	695,906	3.70%	2	866,484	4.61%	3	1,562,390	8.31%	3
Georgia	144,659	1.49%	19	118,699	1.23%	17	263,358	2.72%	16
Hawaii	48,549	3.57%	5	-28,499	-2.10%	42	20,050	1.47%	22
Idaho	9,986	0.64%	46	37,067	2.36%	13	47,053	3.00%	15
Illinois	178,520	1.39%	21	-540,166	-4.21%	50	-361,646	-2.82%	51
Indiana	63,671	0.98%	33	-59,160	-0.91%	32	4,511	0.07%	36
Iowa	35,326	1.16%	30	-10,683	-0.35%	26	24,643	0.81%	25
Kansas	35,867	1.26%	26	-70,499	-2.47%	44	-34,632	-1.21%	48
Kentucky	40,051	0.92%	37	-13,916	-0.32%	25	26,135	0.60%	30
Louisiana	44,308	0.98%	34	-22,350	-0.49%	27	21,958	0.48%	34
Maine	9,715	0.73%	44	-1,962	-0.15%	23	7,753	0.58%	31
Maryland	161,392	2.80%	8	-83,517	-1.45%	38	77,875	1.35%	23
Massachusetts	236,088	3.61%	4	-72,605	-1.11%	35	163,483	2.50%	18
Michigan	128,353	1.30%	24	-215,872	-2.18%	43	-87,519	-0.89%	45
Minnesota	80,206	1.51%	18	-38,178	-0.72%	30	42,028	0.79%	27
Mississippi	14,296	0.48%	49	-49,309	-1.66%	41	-35,013	-1.18%	47
Missouri	51,332	0.86%	39	-58,136	-0.97%	33	-6,804	-0.11%	37
Montana	3,945	0.40%	50	29,728	3.00%	10	33,673	3.40%	13
Nebraska	24,303	1.33%	23	-9,731	-0.53%	28	14,572	0.80%	26
Nevada	42,594	1.58%	16	104,032	3.85%	6	146,626	5.43%	6
New Hampshire	12,587	0.96%	36	-2,783	-0.21%	24	9,804	0.74%	29
New Jersey	297,224	3.38%	6	-336,359	-3.83%	48	-39,135	-0.45%	40
New Mexico	15,183	0.74%	43	-52,963	-2.57%	45	-37,780	-1.83%	49
New York	699,448	3.61%	3	-846,669	-4.37%	51	-147,221	-0.76%	44
North Carolina	128,086	1.34%	22	242,283	2.54%	12	370,369	3.88%	12
North Dakota	9,475	1.41%	20	46,796	6.96%	1	56,271	8.37%	2
Ohio	112,592	0.98%	35	-182,982	-1.59%	40	-70,390	-0.61%	42
Oklahoma	38,804	1.03%	31	39,613	1.06%	19	78,417	2.09%	20
Oregon	38,917	1.02%	32	145,287	3.79%	7	184,204	4.81%	9
Pennsylvania	195,038	1.54%	17	-183,614	-1.45%	37	11,424	0.09%	35
Rhode Island	25,406	2.41%	10	-28,565	-2.71%	46	-3.159	-0.30%	38
South Carolina	36,963	0.80%	41	206.898	4.47%	4	243.861	5.27%	7
South Dakota	9,563	1.17%	28	11,509	1.41%	16	21,072	2.59%	17
Tennessee	55.613	0.88%	38	135.771	2.14%	15	191.384	3.02%	14
Texas	508.843	2.02%	13	866.933	3.45%	9	1.375.776	5.47%	5
Utah	32.159	1.16%	29	32.858	1.19%	18	65.017	2.35%	19
Vermont	5 196	0.83%	40	-9 272	-1 48%	39	-4 076	-0.65%	43
Virginia	202.410	2.53%	9	-44.414	-0.56%	29	157,996	1.97%	21
Washington	142,595	2.12%	12	190,800	2.84%	11	333,395	4.96%	
West Virginia	6 564	0.35%	51	-16 703	-0.90%	.31	-10 139	-0.55%	41
Wisconsin	43 853	0.77%	42	-63 936	-1.12%	36	-20 083	-0.35%	39
Wyoming	3,181	0.56%	48	-317	-0.06%	22	2,864	0.51%	33

1 Rate is percentage of population in previous decennial census.

2 Rate ranked from highest to lowest

Source: U.S. Census Bureau