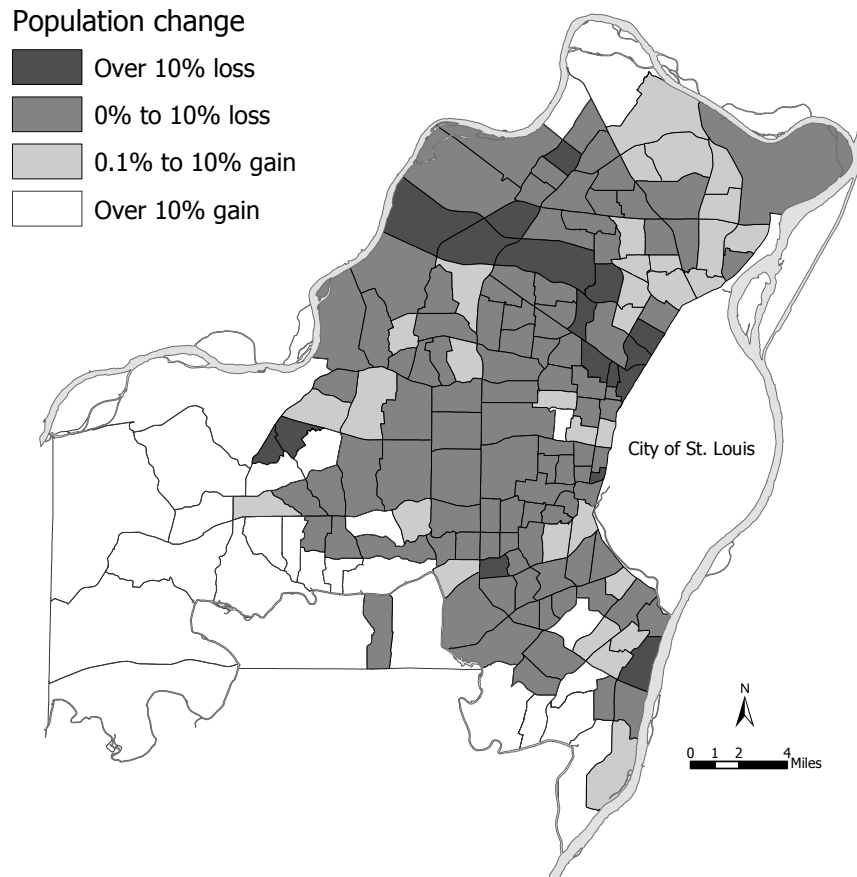


Population Change



Population Change by Census Tract, 1990-2000

St. Louis County's moderate overall population growth of two percent during the 1990's was unevenly distributed throughout the County, with numerous census tracts showing more than 10 percent gains in population and many tracts showing losses. New housing construction continues to draw population to the farthest reaches of West, South and North County, while many Central County areas had population losses up to 10 percent. Population losses greater than 10 percent occurred in areas affected by the airport buyout, older areas adjacent to the City of St. Louis and the Meacham Park area of Kirkwood, where commercial development replaced homes and a project to replace an older multi-family

development caused a temporary drop in population.

New multi-family developments including luxury condominiums and college dormitories have contributed to population growth in Clayton and Webster Groves, and infill subdivisions in South County have added population in the City of Green Park, on a tract just north of Green Park, and in the Mehlville area. Population gains in some census tracts in the Ferguson, Normandy, Bellefontaine Neighbors, and Spanish Lake areas that had previously been losing population are indicative of younger families replacing older empty-nester households.

Sources: U.S. Census, 1990 and 2000, St. Louis County Department of Planning.