



BEAR CREEK WATERSHED

Fact Sheet 26 General Demographics

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The Bear Creek Watershed Association protects and restores water and environmental quality within the Bear Creek Watershed from the effects of land use.

Clear Creek County
 Jefferson County
 City of Lakewood
 Town of Morrison
 Aspen Park Metropolitan District
 Brook Forest Inn
 Conifer Sanitation Association
 Conifer Metropolitan District
 Denver Water Department
 Evergreen Metropolitan District
 Forrest Hills Metropolitan District
 Genesee Sanitation & Water District
 Geneva Glen
 Jefferson County School District
 Kittredge Water & Sanitation District
 Tiny Town Foundation, Inc.
 West Jefferson County Metropolitan District
 Evergreen Trout Unlimited
 U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

- 2010 Population estimate served by permitted wastewater treatment facilities - 20,750 (8,300 residential parcels with sewer service plus additional business and commercial hook-ups).
- 2010 Population estimate served by individual onsite wastewater treatment systems (OWTS) - 22,500 (9,000 residential parcels with OWTS). There are an additional estimated 150 business using OWTS within the watershed.

The Bear Creek Watershed covers portions of three counties Jefferson County, Clear Creek County and a small generally non-populated part of Park County. There is an estimated total population in 2010 for the watershed of 43,100 people with most of the population residing within Jefferson County.

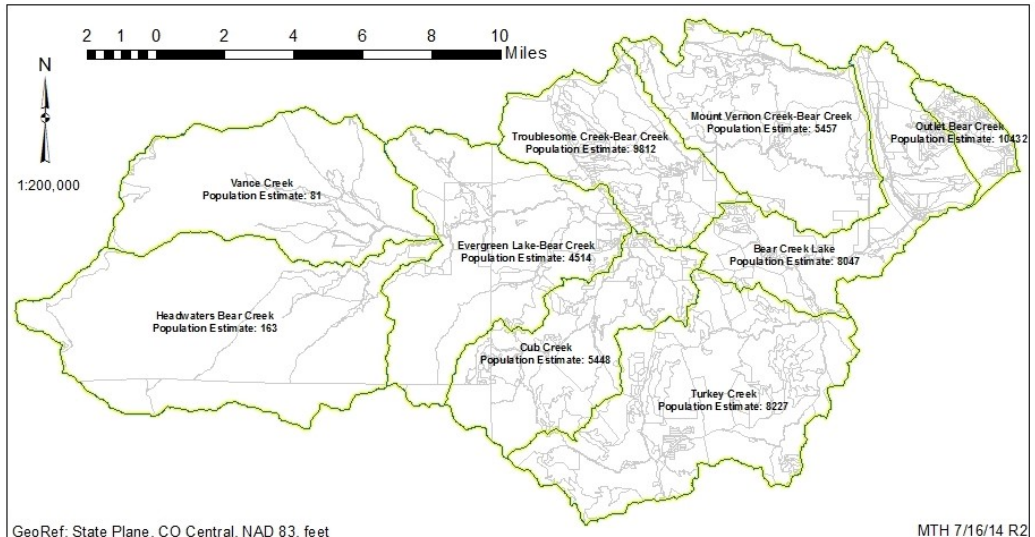
County Estimates	2010
Jefferson County	546,653
Clear Creek County	8,987
Park County	16,063
Total	573,715
Bear Creek Watershed	43,100

Evergreen Chamber <http://www.evergreenchamber.org/demographics.htm>

Community Estimates	2010
Genesee	3,609
Kittredge	954
Idledale	385
EVGR CDP	9,038
Aspen Park	874
Indian Hills	1,280
Morrison	430

Evergreen Chamber indicates the Evergreen Region includes Genesee and everything from Conifer and Morrison as part of the *Larger Estimate*, shown below. 35% of Jefferson County population and 100% of the Clear Creek population lives in the un-incorporated portions of the counties. The assumed occupancy number for Clear Creek and Jefferson Counties is 2.5 people per household (HH). Population growth in the watershed is predicted to grow over the next 20-years at a moderate pace, estimated at 4%.

	2010		2012		2017	
	HH	Pop	HH	Pop	HH	Pop
Evergreen Region	16,345	39,979	16,476	40,624	17,159	41,930
Evergreen CDP	3,673	9,038	3,680	9,125	3,790	9,325



Bear Creek Watershed: 2010 U.S. Census Population Estimate by Subbasin

Legend

Bear Creek Subbasins 2010 Census Blocks

Notes

TOTAL POPULATION ESTIMATE WITHOUT OUTLET SUBBASIN PORTION: 42,749 TOTAL POPULATION ESTIMATE ALL SUBBASINS: 52,181

2010 U.S. Census block-level population numbers were obtained from Denver Regional Council of Governments <http://gis.drcog.org/datacatalog/content/blocks-census-2010> with population of blocks that straddled the watershed boundary proportionally applied by area. The Colorado Department of Labor and Statistics estimates that the population of Colorado grew about six percent since 2010, so the current population of the Bear Creek Watershed may actually be somewhat higher and increasing. For BCWA administrative purposes, the USGS HUC 12-based Bear Creek Watershed boundary has been partially extended into the Bear Creek Outlet subbasin downstream, but most of the area of this administrative addition does not drain into Bear Creek Reservoir.