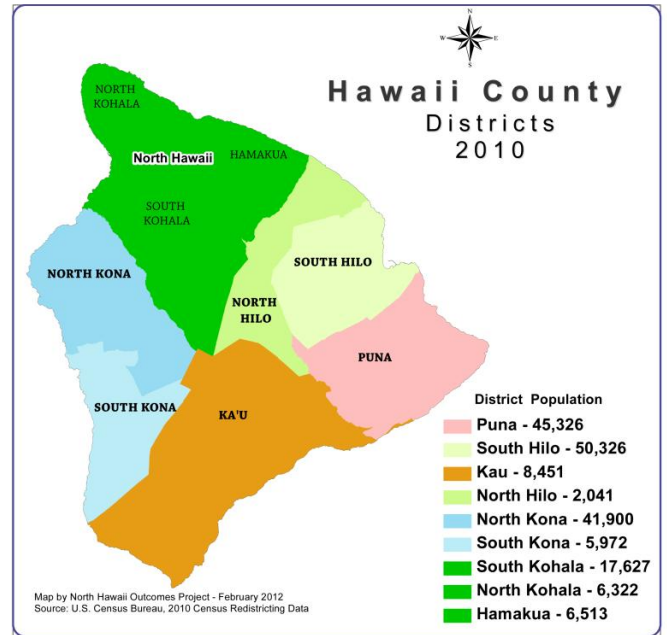


This Demographics section describes Hawaii County and North Hawaii geographically and characteristics of the resident population which may account for some of the differences in population health for Hawaii County. Figure 10 shows the districts within Hawaii County and the population of each according to the U.S. Census 2010.

Figure 10



Population and Growth

Hawaii County experienced a 24% growth in population between 2000 and 2010 compared to the Hawaii State growth rate of 12%, according to the U.S. Census as shown in Figure 11. The rate of population growth impacts community quality of life, especially when infrastructure growth does not keep pace with population growth in areas including: schools and teachers, healthcare workforce, police workforce and roads.

Figure 11

Population	2000	2010	% Growth
Hawaii State	1,211,586	1,360,301	12 %
Hawaii County	149,071	185,079	24%
North Hawaii	25,277	30,462	21%

North Hawaii

There are multiple ways to define a sub-county population geographically.

For this report, North Hawaii is defined as including the three districts of North Kohala, South Kohala and Hamakua, and most commonly the corresponding census tracts (see Figure 12).

Although the zip code and census definitions are generally similar, they are not exactly the same as seen by the different population totals (see Figure 12).

Figure 12

North Hawaii Districts	Zip Codes	Population	Census Tracts	Population
North Kohala 6,322	96719	1,692	218 North Kohala	6,322
	96755	3,575		
South Kohala 17,627	96738	6,609	217.02 Waimea-Puuanahulu	9,540
	96743	12,160	217.04 Kawaihae-Waikoloa	8,087
Hamakua 6,513	96776	1,490	219.02 Honokaa-Kukuihaele	3,925
	96727	4,878	220 Paauhau-Paauilo	2,588
		28,712 pop.	30,462 pop.	