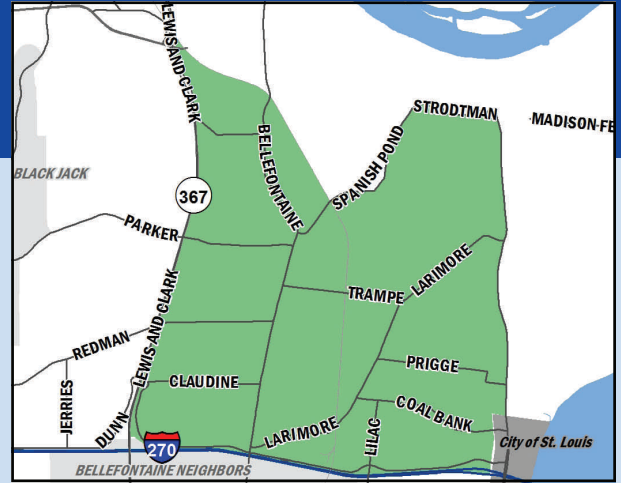


# SPANISH LAKE

## CENSUS DESIGNATED PLACE PROFILE



### OVERVIEW

- Spanish Lake is an unincorporated community located in northeast St. Louis County, Missouri near the confluence of the Mississippi and Missouri Rivers.
- Spanish Lake is served by the Hazelwood School District, the 1st St. Louis County Police Precinct and the Spanish Lake Fire Protection District.
- Nearby attractions include the Columbia Bottom Conservation Area, Ft. Belle Fontaine and the Twillman House.

### PEOPLE

2000 and 2010 U.S. Census, Summary File 1

#### Population

The Spanish Lake population decreased by 7.9% since 2000. In the same period, St. Louis County's population decreased by 1.7%.

#### Sex and age

Spanish Lake is home to a high number of youth—33.1% of the population is under 20 years of age. There are more females than males in Spanish Lake, 55.4% to 44.6% respectively.

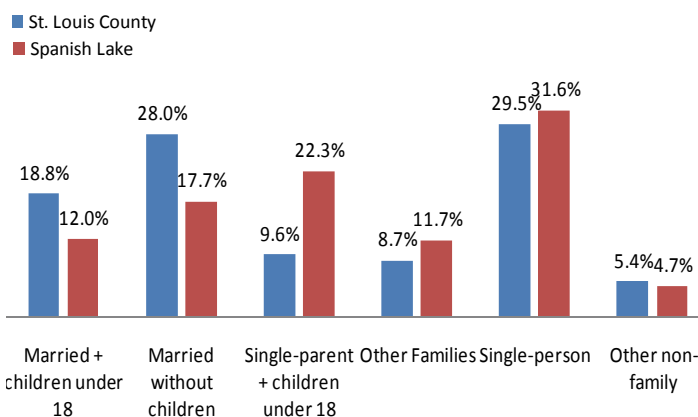
#### Race and ethnicity

African-Americans make up 76.9% of the Spanish Lake population, up from 54.8% in 2000. Whites make up 19.8%, down from 42.2% in 2000.

#### Household

Spanish Lake has seen an increase in the percentage of single-parent and single-person households, and a decrease in married households, both with and without children. Spanish Lake has a larger proportion of single-parent headed households (22.3%) than St. Louis County (9.6%).

#### Household types as a percentage of total, 2010



#### Population

2000	21,337
2010	19,650
Change	-7.9%

#### Race and ethnicity

	2000		2010	
	Total	Percent	Total	Percent
White	9,014	42.2%	3,882	19.8%
African-American	11,691	54.8%	15,116	76.9%
Asian	141	0.7%	75	0.4%
Other/multiple	491	2.3%	577	2.9%
Hispanic (all races)	220	1%	359	1.8%

#### Households

	2000		2010	
	Total	Percent <sup>1</sup>	Total	Percent <sup>1</sup>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>8,381</b>		<b>7,730</b>	
<b>Family</b>	<b>5,674</b>	<b>67.7%</b>	<b>4,921</b>	<b>63.7%</b>
Married + children under 18	1,542	18.4%	926	12%
Married without children	1,758	21%	1,368	17.7%
Single-parent + children under 18	1,434	17.1%	1,720	22.3%
Other family	940	11.2%	907	11.7%
<b>Non-family</b>	<b>2,707</b>	<b>32.3%</b>	<b>2,809</b>	<b>36.3%</b>
Single-person	2,315	27.6%	2,444	31.6%
Other non-family	392	4.7%	365	4.7%

<sup>1</sup> Percentage of total households

# HOUSING

2010 U.S. Census, Summary File 1

## Characteristics

The majority of housing in Spanish Lake is single-family (62.8%) and was built between 1950 and 1980 (79.7%).

\*Source: 2005-2009 American Community Survey Estimates

## Occupancy

Nearly 87% of the housing units in Spanish Lake are occupied, compared to 92.4% in St. Louis County.

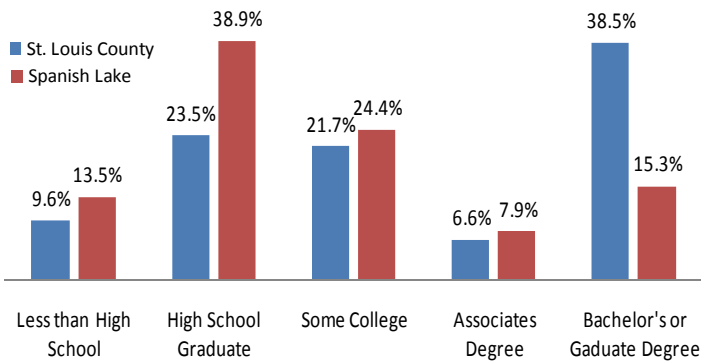
## Tenure

Of the 7,730 occupied housing units in Spanish Lake, 51.5% are owner-occupied, compared to 72.1% in St. Louis County.

Housing units				
	2000		2010	
	Total	Percent	Total	Percent
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>8,852</b>		<b>8,899</b>	
<b>Occupied</b>	<b>8,381</b>	<b>94.7%</b>	<b>7,730</b>	<b>86.9%</b>
Owner-occupied	4,613	52.1% <sup>1</sup>	3,982	51.5% <sup>1</sup>
Renter-occupied	3,678	42.6% <sup>1</sup>	3,748	48.5% <sup>1</sup>
<b>Vacant</b>	<b>471</b>	<b>5.3%</b>	<b>1,169</b>	<b>13.1%</b>

<sup>1</sup> Percentage of occupied housing units

## Educational attainment, 2005-2009



# EDUCATION

2005-2009 American Community Survey Estimates

## Enrollment

There are 6,621 school-age children in Spanish Lake enrolled in public and private schools.

## Attainment

Educational attainment in Spanish Lake is lower than that of St. Louis County. Of people over 25 years of age in Spanish Lake, 15.3% had a Bachelor's or Graduate degree compared to 38.5% in St. Louis County.

# ECONOMICS

2005-2009 American Community Survey Estimates

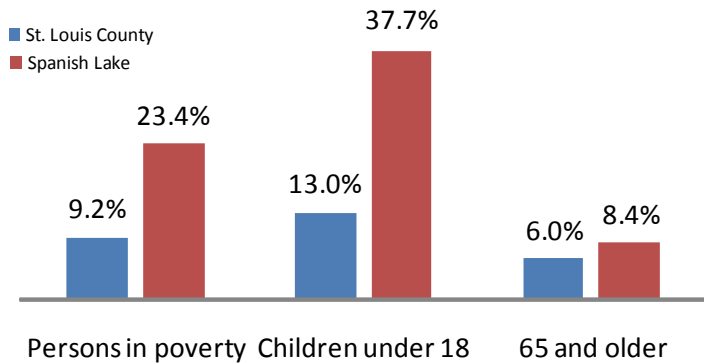
## Income

The median household income for Spanish Lake is \$34,684—approximately \$23,000 less than the median household income for St. Louis County.

## Poverty

The poverty rate in Spanish Lake is 23.4% compared to 9.2% in St. Louis County.

## Poverty rates, 2005-2009



### American Community Survey vs. Decennial Census

Prior to 2010, the U.S. Census Bureau used a short-form to collect population counts and basic data and a long-form to collect more detailed data such as education, employment and income. In 2010, the long form was replaced by the American Community Survey (ACS), an annual sampling of households to measure socio-economic characteristics of the U.S. population. Because ACS data are collected continuously, they are not always comparable to data collected from the decennial census. For this reason, the sources of the data in this profile are clearly identified and comparisons between 2010 Census data and 2005-2009 ACS data are avoided.

Prepared by the St. Louis County Department of Planning using census data for Census Designated Places (CDP)—an area identified by name and having a concentration of population, housing, and commercial structures, but not within an incorporated place. A CDP is used for statistical reporting of census data.

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