



# MILLCREEK AT-A-GLANCE

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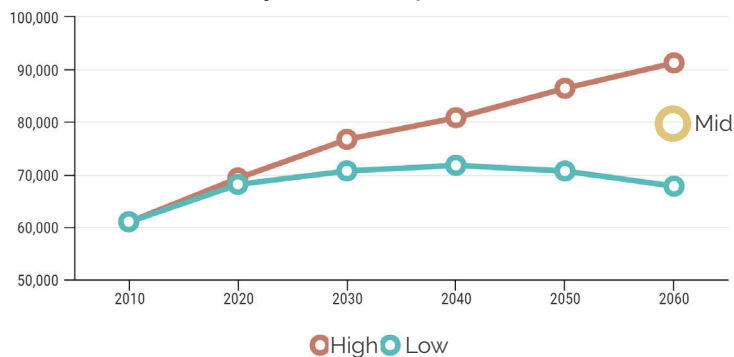
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# Our Population is...

### Experiencing continued growth.

Millcreek is already largely built-out, thus the population in the area has remained fairly constant in past years. However, growth pressures within Salt Lake County are expected to be intense in the coming years requiring cities to accept additional residents in order to accommodate growth.

**MILLCREEK**  
Population Projections



### Largely single, but moving towards families.



**Only 27% of Millcreek's households have children.**

Although trends are indicating more families are moving in, national and statewide trends indicate that small family sizes (2 – 3 kids) is the new normal.

### Becoming increasingly diverse.

Millcreek is home to a larger Black, American Indian, and Asian population than the rest of the County. In 2015, over one fourth (35 percent) of residents under 18 years old were minorities in Salt Lake County as compared to only 11 percent of those 65 years and older. This generational shift is consistent with national trends and is assumed to be reflected similarly in Millcreek.

**SALT LAKE COUNTY**  
Population Projections



2016: 1.1 million



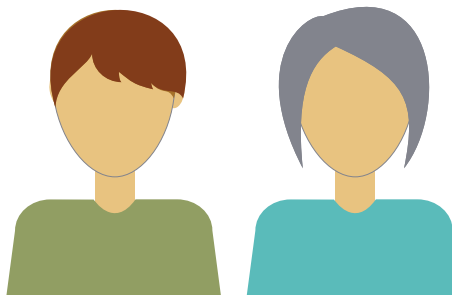
2065: 1.7 million



**830**  
Acres of  
vacant land

### Getting proportionally older.

There has been a significant decline since 2000 in the proportion of Millcreek residents who are between 20 and 30 while, following national trends, there has been a rise in the proportion between 50 to 70.



## Looking to the future...

### How can we pro-actively address the needs of our changing population? Where and how should we grow?

Accommodating as many as 30,000 new residents by 2065 will require careful consideration and planning about where and how future growth occurs. Future growth will likely occur in the form of redevelopment of under-utilized properties and infill in some established areas of Millcreek.

### Moving forward, Millcreek should consider the following questions:

- Where should greater density be encouraged?
- Where should redevelopment be encouraged?
- Should steps be taken to protect established residential neighborhoods or historic resources in particular areas?
- Are there properties that are currently underutilized that can be reused (e.g., large parking lots, strip malls, aging buildings) in the City?
- Are there areas where a broader mix of uses (residential, commercial, and employment) should be encouraged?
- What types of services will be required to meet the needs of our population over time?
- How can future investments in transportation and other infrastructure help improve connectivity and access for all segments of the population?



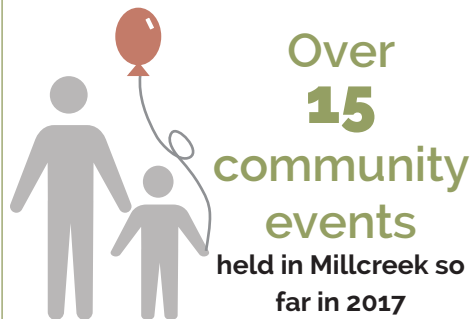
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# Our Community is...

### Known for its quality of life.

Millcreek has great access to a network of parks, trails, open space, and recreational facilities, including Mill Creek Canyon and the Jordan River Parkway. In addition, Millcreek is home to dozens of community events and activities throughout the year that highlight the City's love of the outdoor, family values, unique local businesses, and sense of place. These amenities and programs foster community and contribute to the quality of life so many residents value.

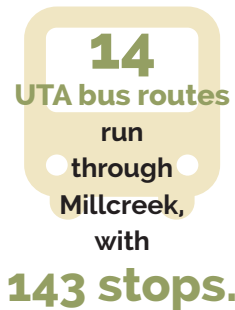


**184 acres** of parkland creating a ratio of **3 acres of parks for every 1,000 residents**

(The national standard is 10 acres/1000 residents)

### Regionally and locally connected.

Freeway access and public transit are critical ingredients of Millcreek.

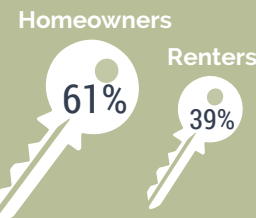


### Bicycle and pedestrian friendly, but challenge by a number of barriers.

Even with all the great pedestrian destinations, activity centers, recreational trails, and open spaces, accessing these places on foot is challenging because of the barriers between them.

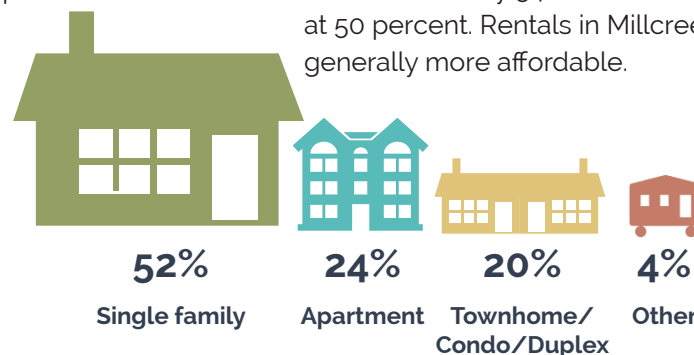
### Walk-a-bil-ity (noun)

The extent to which the built environment is friendly to presence of people living, shopping, visiting and spending time in the area. Scores are out of 100.



### In need of more affordable housing options.

Although Millcreek has a fairly diverse inventory of housing types, for low- and moderate-income households, there are no single family units that are affordable to households below 30 percent of Area Median Income, and only 541 units available at 50 percent. Rentals in Millcreek are generally more affordable.



## Looking to the future...

### How can we protect and enhance the quality of life of existing and future residents?

As Millcreek continues to grow, it will be important to ensure that future residents have access to the same types of quality of life amenities that today's residents value and enjoy. Continued investment in the City's parks, recreation, and trails system ensures all residents will have access to recreation and the opportunity to live active, healthy lifestyles and have access to the natural environment. Continued investment in the multi-modal transportation system will ensure residents of all ages, abilities, and income levels have the ability to reasonably access employment, health care, services, and other daily needs.

### Moving forward, Millcreek should consider the following questions:

- How can the zoning/development code be used to protect the character of stable neighborhoods?
- What level of development is appropriate along portions of the Mill Creek stream corridor that pass through the City?
- How can the City's infrastructure be built to more readily withstand potential disasters in the future?
- What redevelopment would enhance the City's attractiveness and livability?

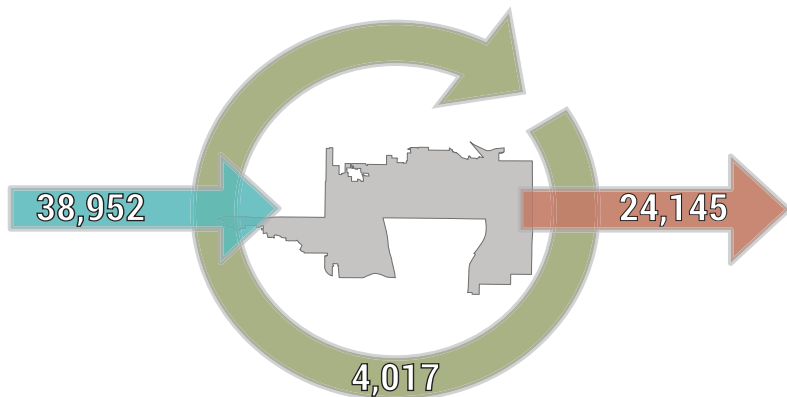
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# Our Economy is...

### Representative of a commuter workforce.

Millcreek has a balanced level of employment activity and has increased employment since 2009. The ratio of jobs per household is 1.09, indicating that there are roughly equal numbers of people working in Millcreek as there are households. However, the majority of Millcreek residents are not employed in Millcreek. Of the 42,969 jobs available in Millcreek in 2015, only 4,017 were filled by those who live in Millcreek.

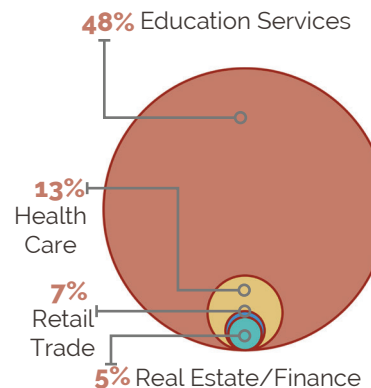
Employee Inflow/Outflow



### Being driven by one primary business sector.

Of employees working in Millcreek, Education services is the largest employment sector at 48.3 percent, followed by health care and social assistance. Of the City's residents, only 13.3 percent work in education, while 13.7 percent work in health care and social assistance. The next highest sector is retail trade among residents.

Jobs in Millcreek



**42%**

of residents have an undergraduate degree or higher.

### Lacking entertainment services.

Millcreek residents are proud of the unique locally-owned small businesses, but report a lack of sit-down dining, entertainment, and places to gather within the City.

Millcreek has among the highest per capita incomes in the County at

**\$32,362**

per person.

## Looking to the future...

### How can we promote continued growth and diversification of our economy?

Millcreek is well positioned for continued economic growth in terms of both its current employment base and its geographic location. While previous employers favored large industrial flex space, current trends point to a growing demand for smaller spaces.

### Moving forward, Millcreek should consider the following questions:

- How well does the City's current supply of commercial, retail, and industrial space align with the needs of existing employers looking to expand and new companies seeking to relocate to Millcreek?
- What types of businesses should the City be looking to attract and does Millcreek's workforce meet the needs of those businesses?
- How can the City work to leverage its many unique assets, such as access to Mill Creek Canyon, the City's proximity to the University of Utah, and high quality neighborhoods, among others?



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