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Land Area

Year	Total Area in Square Miles	Total Area Annexed in Square Miles
1806	0.33	
1815	1.36	1.03
1827	2.56	1.20
1832	4.17	1.61
1836	5.26	1.09
1849	5.85	0.59
1857	12.75	6.90
1875	15.0	2.25
1879	16.09	1.09 (Belle Isle)
1885	22.19	6.10
1891	28.14	5.95
1894	28.35	0.21 (Palmer Park)
1905	28.75	0.40
1906	35.65	6.90
1907	39.3	4.28

Source: *When Detroit Was Young* by Clarence M. Burton

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Population

Year	Note	Population
1810	City of Detroit	1,650
1819		1,110
1820		1,442
1830		2,222
1834		4,973
1836		6,927

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1840	9,124
1844	10,948
1850	21,019
1854	41,375
1860	45,619
1864	53,180
1870	79,603
1874	101,255
1880	116,340
1884	132,956
1890	205,876
1894	237,798
1900	285,704
1904	317,591
1910	465,766

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1920	993,678
1930	1,568,662
1950	1,849,568
1960	1,670,144
1970	1,511,482
1980	1,203,339
1990	1,027,974
2000	951,270

Source: *The Detroit Almanac* by Detroit Free Press

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Citizenship

Year	Foreign-Born People in Detroit	Percentage of Total Population
1850	10,019	47.7%
1880	51,709	44.4%
1900	96,166	33.7%
1910	156,000	33.5%
1920	289,000	29.1%
1930	407,736	26%
1950	276,470	14.9%
1960	201,713	12.1%
1970	119,347	7.9%
1980	68,303	5.7%

1990	34,490	3.4%

Source: *The Detroit Almanac* by The Detroit Free Press

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Populations of Various Ethnic Groups

Year	Race/Ethnicity	Population	Percentage of Total Population
1820	African-American/Black	67	[sic]4.6%
1830	African-American/Black	126	[sic]5.6%
1840	African-American/Black	193	2.1%
1850	African-American/Black	587	2.8%
	Irish-American	3,289	15.6%
1860	African-American/Black	1,402	[sic]3.1%
1870	African-American/Black	2,235	2.8%
1880	African-American/Black	2,821	2.4%
	Canadian	10,754	9.2%
	German	23,769	20.4%
	Irish	6,775	5.8%
1890	African-American/Black	3,431	1.7%
1900	African-American/Black	4,111	1.4%
	Canadian	28,900	10.1%
	German	32,000	11.2%
	Irish	6,400	2.2%
	Polish	14,000	4.9%
1910	African-American/Black	5,741	1.2%
	Canadian		8.8%
	German		9.4%
	Russian		3.9%
1920	African-American/Black	40,838	4.1%
	British	17,100	1.7%

	Canadian	58,500	5.9%
	German	30,000	3%
	Hungarian	13,500	1.4%
	Italian	16,000	1.6%
	Polish	56,600	5.7%
	Russian	27,200	2.7%
1930	African-American/Black	149,119	9.1%
1950	African-American/Black	300,506	16.1%
1960	African-American/Black	482,229	28.9%
1970	African-American/Black	660,428	44.5%
1980	African-American/Black	758,939	63%
1990	African-American/Black	777,916	76%
2000	African-American/Black		81.6%
	Asian		1.0%
	Hispanic		5.0%
	White		12.3%

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