

**Sparta Township, Kent County, Michigan**

<b>General Characteristics</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>	<b>U.S.</b>
Total population	8,938	100.0	100%
Male	4,337	48.5	49.1%
Female	4,601	51.5	50.9%
Median age (years)	33.9	(X)	35.3
Under 5 years	669	7.5	6.8%
18 years and over	6,305	70.5	74.3%
65 years and over	1,034	11.6	12.4%
One race	8,823	98.7	97.6%
White	8,592	96.1	75.1%
Black or African American	42	0.5	12.3%
American Indian and Alaska Native	23	0.3	0.9%
Asian	27	0.3	3.6%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	1	0.0	0.1%
Some other race	138	1.5	5.5%
Two or more races	115	1.3	2.4%
Hispanic or Latino (of any race)	320	3.6	12.5%
Average household size	2.68	(X)	2.59
Average family size	3.14	(X)	3.14
Total housing units	3,449	100.0	100.0%
Occupied housing units	3,301	95.7	91.0%
Owner-occupied housing units	2,609	79.0	66.2%
Renter-occupied housing units	692	21.0	33.8%
Vacant housing units	148	4.3	9.0%

<b>Social Characteristics</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>	<b>U.S.</b>
Population 25 years and over	5,590	100.0	
High school graduate or higher	4,580	81.9	80.4%
Bachelor's degree or higher	780	14.0	24.4%
Civilian veterans (civilian population 18 years and over)	779	12.4	12.7%
Disability status (population 21 to 64 years)	1,080	22.1	19.2%
Foreign born	88	1.0	11.1%
Now married (population 15 years and over)	4,037	59.8	54.4%
Speak a language other than English at home (5 years and over)	339	4.1	17.9%

<b>Economic Characteristics</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>	<b>U.S.</b>
In labor force (population 16 years and over)	4,598	70.2	63.9%
Mean travel time to work in minutes (population 16 years and over)	22.9	(X)	25.5
Median household income (dollars)	42,992	(X)	41,994
Median family income (dollars)	49,491	(X)	50,046
Per capita income (dollars)	18,345	(X)	21,587
Families below poverty level	88	3.6	9.2%
Individuals below poverty level	485	5.5	12.4%

<b>Housing Characteristics</b>	<b>Number</b>	<b>Percent</b>	<b>U.S.</b>
Single-family owner-occupied homes	1,636	100.0	
Median value (dollars)	95,100	(X)	119,600
Median of selected monthly owner costs	(X)	(X)	
With a mortgage	821	(X)	1,088
Not mortgaged	265	(X)	295

(X) Not applicable.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Summary File 1 (SF 1) and Summary File 3 (SF 3)