



Michigan's Elderly Latino Population

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ABSTRACT

This report is based on an analysis of the U.S. Census Bureau Summary Tape Files 4 (U.S. Census Bureau, 2000) and data from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the National Vital Statistics System (NVSS). It provides a profile of elderly Latinos in Michigan. In 2000, nearly 1.2 million Michigan residents were aged 65 years and older, representing 12.3% of the total population. About 4% of Latinos in Michigan were aged 65 years and older. Cubans in Michigan had a higher proportion of the older population than Mexicans and Puerto Ricans. The Latino median age was 24 years, lower than the median age of 35.6 years for the total population in Michigan. This makes Latinos a younger population compared to Whites and African Americans.