

VILLAGE OF 100

To humanize the issues that confront us, and make them more comprehensible, the following scenario is instructive. If we could shrink Spartanburg County's population to a 'village' of precisely 100 people, with all the existing human ratios remaining the same, it would have the following characteristics.

Data is based on total population of 259,322 (2002 U.S. Census estimate).

PEOPLE

49 are males
 51 are females
 75 are Caucasian
 21 are African American
 3 are Hispanic
 1 is Asian

Children:

Ages 0-4: 4 boys, 3 girls
 Ages 5-17: 9 boys, 9 girls

Young Adults:

Ages 18-24: 4 women, 4 men

Adults:

Ages 25-64: 28 women, 26 men
 Ages 65 and older: 8 women (1 is 85+), 5 men

Among adults 25 and older:

17 have no diploma
 48 have high school diploma
 12 have Bachelor's degree or higher
 7 are unemployed

FAMILY

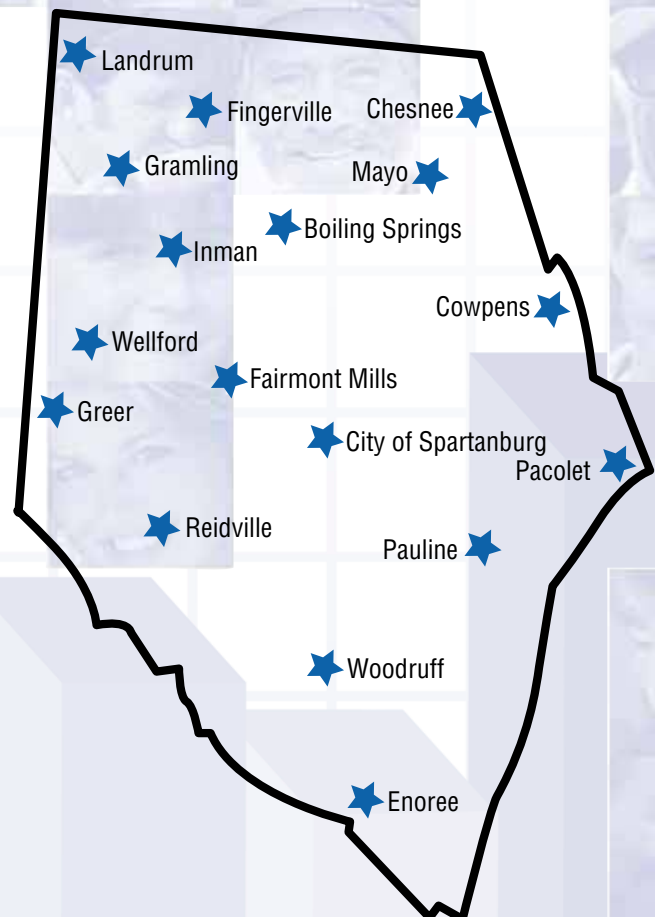
100,462 households in Spartanburg County
 2.89 persons equals average family size
 50% are traditional households
 23.9% have at least one person over age 65
 10,166 families have a female householder with no husband present and children under age 18

COMMUNITY

12 people live below poverty level
 26 people are disabled
 65 (age 18+) are registered to vote
 62 are overweight
 26 smoke

PLACE

The village would occupy approximately 200.15 acres. In actuality, Spartanburg County contains 519,038 acres, occupying 811 square miles of land area. The village would generate 530 pounds of solid waste for disposal each day. In the village, 65 people would live in an urban setting, 16 of them in the city limits of Spartanburg.



SPARTANBURG COUNTY POPULATION BREAKDOWN

Total Population (2002 Estimate).....259,322

Gender

Female51.4%
Male48.6%

Age Distribution

Under 1824.8%
Age 18 - 6462.7%
Age 65 and Older12.5%

Race

Caucasian75.1%
Black or African American20.8%
Hispanic2.8%
Asian1.5%
Other1.4%
Persons reporting 2 or more races1%
Foreign Born Persons3.7%