

**Table G-5: Shifts in Population as a Result of Census Tract Boundary Changes
1990 and 2000 Censuses - New York City
February 2002**

Table G-1 describes changes to New York City census tracts between 1990 and 2000 that involve combining, splitting and/or renumbering. These are major changes in census tract geography that users need to incorporate into comparisons between 1990 and 2000. For example, users need to know that Queens census tract 0088 in 2000 is equivalent to 1990 census tracts 0088 and 0878 when making comparisons. Similarly, it is important to understand that 1990 census tract 027701 in Staten Island was split into tracts 027703 and 027704 in 2000. This information enables users to alter the configuration of census tracts so that comparisons over time are based on the same geography.

Table G-5 takes the issue of geographic comparability down to a much more detailed level, by identifying geographic changes associated with the reassignment of census blocks or, more commonly, portions of blocks from one census tract in 1990 to another tract in 2000. These changes are most frequently undertaken to correct geographic anomalies, as when an erroneous boundary or piece of geographic turf was identified as a tract or block boundary; such errors include slivers of land along highways, and streets that really do not exist. For the most part, these geographic changes introduce very small changes in population, which is important considering that it is not possible to reconfigure these geographic units. There are, however, a handful of changes that are large enough to affect comparisons. Census tracts with block/block part geographic changes involving shifts in 2000 population of 100 persons or more are included in Table G-5. Users whose study areas include any of these tracts, should interpret changes with caution, remembering that comparisons involving these tracts will have at least some change in population associated with changes in geography. For those users who are interested in establishing the correspondence between 1990 and 2000 census blocks, please refer to Table G-6.

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Borough	From: 1990 Census Tract	To: 2000 Census Tract	Population Shifted**	Comments
Bronx	005301	005302	176	Boundary of two tracts moved to West 176th Street additions to blocks 9006, 9007 and new 9009
Bronx	021602	0210	202	Correction of erroneous sliver on Unionport Road - addition to block 1002
Bronx	021702	0219	411	Correction of erroneous slivers near West 172nd Street - additions to blocks 1001 & 1002
Bronx	0289	0285	242	Triangular area where Irwin and Riverdale Avenues meet added to block 1011
Bronx	0351	0329	100	Sliver added to block 1005 Manhattan College Pkwy.
Brooklyn	0304	0294	181	Correction of erroneous sliver near 24th Avenue - addition to block 1004
Brooklyn	0308	0386	185	Correction of erroneous slivers around 86th & Boynton Place - additions to blocks 2007,2008,2009, 2010
Brooklyn	0539	0545	1128	Most population added in 1990s - addition to block 2000
Brooklyn	0559	0567	122	Erroneous sliver around Banker Street incorrectly added to blocks 3002 & 3003
Brooklyn	061001	061002	253	Boundary of two tracts moved to Corbin Place added as block 1001
Queens	0081	0087	142	Correction of erroneous sliver near Vernon Blvd addition to block 2000
Queens	022002	0232	126	Correction of erroneous sliver near Daniels Street addition to block 1001
Queens	0331	0355	277	Block 902 incorrectly assigned to LaGuardia Airport in 1990 - reassigned to tract 0355, block 1000
Queens	0517	0521	169	Sliver along northern boundary of Mt. Olivet Cemetery reassigned to blocks 1000 and 1001
Queens	0739	0757	195	Triangular area where Queens Blvd and 110th Street meet - reassigned to block 5002

* Boundary changes associated with reassignment of census blocks and/or block parts

** 2000 Population that is affected by the geographic change