

Snapshot of Diversity in Raleigh/Wake County

- **The ethnicity of college students in our community varies tremendously**
 - **2001 demographics at Meredith College**
 - 88.8% Whites
 - 5.9% African-Americans
 - 1.5% Hispanics/Latinos
 - 1.4% Asians
 - 0.2% American Indians
 - 2% Other
 - **Fall 2000 demographics at Shaw University**
 - 96% African-Americans
 - 3% Whites
 - 0.3% Hispanics-Latinos
 - 0.2% Asians
- **Children and families in our communities are increasingly diverse**
 - **Raleigh/Wake County residents**
 - 70% Whites
 - 19.5% African-Americans
 - 5.4% Hispanics/Latinos
 - 3.4% Asians
 - 1.7% Others
 - Wake County's Hispanic/Latino population grew 551% between 1990 and 2000 (Glascock, 2001)
 - Wake County, at 48.3%, was the second-fastest growing county in the state (Knapp, 2001). Fastest growing communities in the past decade were Holly Springs (651%), Apex (269%), Knightdale (178%) and Morrisville (174%).
- **While the young children who receive early intervention services become increasingly diverse, the "talent pool" from which the future early childhood workforce and leaders of our communities are drawn is likely to remain predominantly White.**

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All other data are from Census 2000 (<http://factfinder.census.gov/servlet/BasicFactsServlet>)