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Composition of the Population of the
Mississippi Coast Counties, 1970

The present study has had as its scope of responsibility to assemble, calculate, display and interpret demographic data on the age, sex, race and residence characteristics of the population of Jackson, Harrison, and Hancock Counties, Mississippi based on the data gathered for the 1970 census of population. Cross-classification of the composition characteristics makes possible a very broad understanding of much significant information about the population of an area.

The composition study is one part of a comprehensive study of the population of the coast counties. Demographers at the University of Southern Mississippi, Mississippi State University and the University of Mississippi have made a division of labor of a plan approved by the Mississippi-Alabama Sea Grant Consortium to study those aspects of population of the coastal zone that would be of the greatest value to the planners and citizens of these counties in understanding the population facts and to provide a basis of insight for adjusting to or dealing with trends or problems in the next decade.

This report addresses itself to an analysis of the population based on the most important elements of demographic composition: age, sex, race and residence. It is discrete and stands alone as a complete study of its area of analysis, but it should also be studied as an integral part of the larger study which also deals with urbanization, migration and other important aspects of population analysis. The knowledge of the why's and how's of population composition will be considerably illuminated by the

urbanity and migration research of the demographers of the other universities and, in turn, these data on composition can add to the understanding of the result, at a point in time, of the demographic processes which they study.

The pertinent data on the demographic composition of the population in the coast counties is contained in a series of Tables and Figures which make up the main body of this study. A few moments of orientation should make the tables and charts easy to read and their contents understandable.

Tables are numbered with Roman numerals and Figures with Arabic numerals. There is a Figure (chart, or "pyramid") for each major table and each corresponding set contains the same data, in a different representation. The Tables show the age and sex composition for each race and residence group. There are more tables than figures because a table has been prepared for each population sub-group but a population pyramid (double bar graph) was constructed only where numbers were large enough to have some significance. Analysis has been made for each county individually and for the three counties combined.

The data. Population data from the 1970 Census enumerations were recorded on computer tape as well as being printed in the Census volumes. Indeed, census of population figures and data were often available earlier and in more detail on the tapes from printed sources. In addition, obtaining population data through computer print-outs usually can save several steps of processing that may have to be done when using the printed tables. The versatility of the computer can organize data in one print-out operation that would require several time consuming steps if done by hand.

Because of this versatility and due to the fortunate circumstances of availability, all of the basic data used are retrieval of data on tapes released by the Bureau of the Census.

The Mississippi State University has set up a Summary Tape Center in its Department of Sociology with the specific purpose of purchasing these census tapes and designing computer programs that will organize and display data that would serve needs of supplying demographic data such as that needed for this study developed for the Sea Grant facility.

We wrote up the specifics of our needs for data and the Summary Tape Center, under the direction of Professor Ellen Bryant, arranged the retrieval of the needed data from the census bank at a reasonable cost. They were even able to correct certain errors in reporting. Once the print-outs were in our hands we processed the data into the display of tables and charts used in this paper.

The Tables. There are fifty-seven tables in the composition research project designed to display population for the individual and the combined counties and for major cities. Separate tables contain the information for rural, urban, white, Negro and "other races" cohorts of the various populations.

Each table is designed to give population data by age and sex and to give the number of persons in age group and the percentage that number is of the total of the cohort. The ages are analysed by five year age groups (see Table I). This is generally accepted to be the preferred way of presentation. To analyze by single year of age would make the study unusually and prohibitively long and it is very rare that such detail is needed. The age groups are: (persons) under 5 years of age and then by five year age groups 5-9, 10-14, 15-19 and so on through 74, then one terminal open-ended

TABLE I
AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION,
BY NUMBER AND PERCENT, FOR THE TOTAL POPULATION OF
HANCOCK, HARRISON, AND JACKSON COUNTIES, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*

AGE GROUP	TOTAL		MALE		FEMALE	
	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent
Under 5	23897	9.96	12169	5.07	11728	4.89
5-9	26832	11.18	13621	5.68	13211	5.51
10-14	26890	11.21	13902	5.79	12988	5.41
15-19	24598	10.25	13395	5.58	11203	4.67
20-24	24734	10.31	14246	5.94	10488	4.37
25-29	16478	6.87	8174	3.41	8304	3.46
30-34	14836	6.18	7324	3.05	7512	3.13
35-39	13631	5.68	7004	2.92	6627	2.76
40-44	13228	5.51	6623	2.76	6605	2.75
45-49	12391	5.16	6123	2.55	6268	2.61
50-54	10625	4.43	5400	2.25	5225	2.18
55-59	9100	3.79	4571	1.91	4529	1.89
60-64	7521	3.14	3588	1.50	3933	1.64
65-69	5744	2.39	2628	1.10	3116	1.30
70-74	4216	1.76	1929	.80	2287	.95
75 & over	5223	2.18	2264	.94	2959	1.23
All Classes	239944	100.00	122961	51.25	116983	48.75

*United States Census of Population, 1970. Mississippi. From Computer Tapes. Processed at the Mississippi Census Summary Tape Center. Mississippi State University. Summary Level 46.

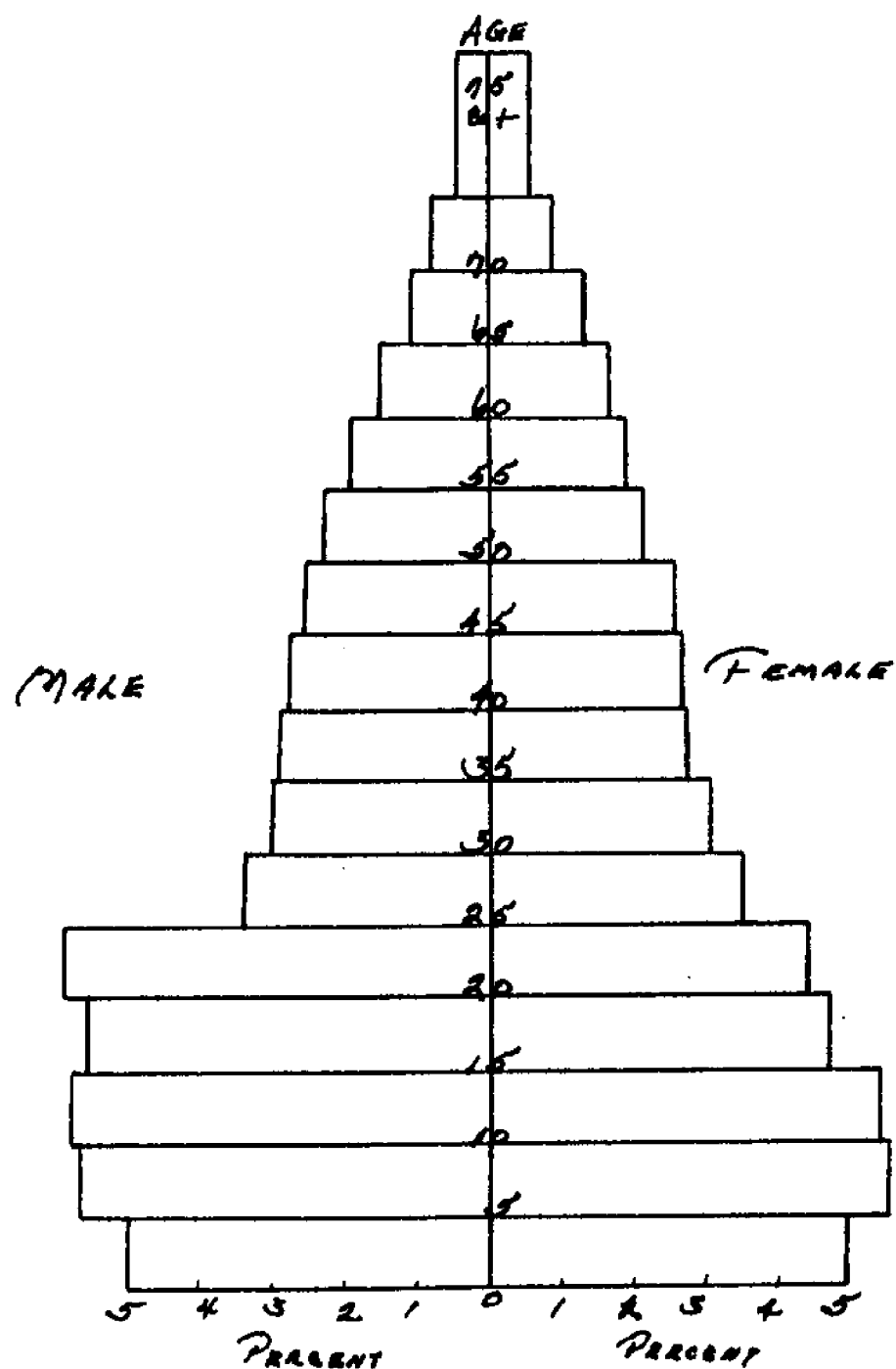
group "75 and over" is the final category. This also conforms to accepted demographic usage since the total of all persons over 75 is usually not much more than the 70-74 cohort. The table contains the number and percent of persons in each age group for total (male plus female) and for male and female population cohorts.

The heading, or title, of the table details the race or residence group covered by that particular table.

The Figures. Any chart, graph, map or photograph in a demographic presentation is called a "figure" and they are designated by Arabic numerals. The only figures used in this study are the "population pyramids". This amounts to a double bar graph showing the percentage of males and females in each age group in a population cohort. The popular designation "population pyramid" comes from the general triangular shape of normal age groupings in a population universe. Where there are no elements to cause skewness in a population, such as heavy migration or unusual birth and death rates, the distribution will generally assume a triangular or pyramidal shape. When such a chart is plotted and it deviates noticeably from the pyramidal shape, the demographer is immediately on notice for a check for unusual population configurations and to look for causes of skewness. The ages are listed along a central vertical axis. Each five year age group represents one "step" in the pyramid. Percentage designations are arranged on the horizontal lines at the bottom of the pyramid. The left hand side is (traditionally) the male side and the right hand half shows the various percentages for females.

Description and Analysis. Some detailed attention will be given to the first tables and pyramids. Once the reader becomes familiar with the

FIGURE 1
 POPULATION PYRAMID DISPLAYING THE AGE
 AND SEX COMPOSITION OF THE TOTAL POPULATION OF
 HANCOCK, HARRISON, AND JACKSON COUNTIES, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*



*Plotted from data contained in Table I.

presentation and the information revealed by the data, then it will be an easy matter to interpret any of the Tables or Figures. Table I may well be called the summary table of the series. It shows age and sex composition of the total population of the coast counties. This, of course includes, both sexes, all races, and rural and urban populations for Harrison, Hancock and Jackson counties combined (consult Table I). Opposite the age grouping are three columns of numbers and percentage, one each for the (1) total population (both sexes) and (2) for the males and (3) females in the population. Column totals are shown by "all classes" at the bottom of the table. One will note that the total population of the counties is 239,944, of these 122,961 or 51.25 percent are male and 116,983 or 48.75 percent are female.

The one and one-half percent excess of males over females is not great, but it does catch the eye since females outnumber males in the state and in the nation, as well. Whenever the population analyst encounters a geographical unit with an excess of males he immediately examines it for the cause or causes. It probably reflects the heavy industry in Jackson County and the presence of Keesler Field in Harrison County. This can best be seen in the individual counties but the over-all effect is somewhat muted by a slight excess of females in Hancock County and the number of women employed in the tourist and subsidiary occupations. The pronouncedly skewed sex ratio can best be seen in Harrison County. See, for example, Table XIX where males predominate up to age twenty-five, with greatest imbalance in the 20-24 year age group. There males outnumber females 10,391 to 5969.

It is also worthy of note that Table I reveals that thirty-two percent of the population of the tri-county zone is 14 or under and, forty-two and

one-half percent is less than 20 years of age. This indicates a very large cohort of young dependents who create a demand for schools and other social services. The proportion of persons over 65 is surprisingly small for a section with the image of a tourist area. Only 6.33 percent of the population was 65 or over and this is significantly below the national percentage or the state level. This would indicate that the coastal zone is appealing more to the tourist than to persons with retirement in mind. It is to be remembered, however, that the "coastal" character of the counties does not penetrate very far inland. The rural areas of the counties, which is extensive in area, are sparsely populated. Here there are small farmers, workers in forest industries and commuters to urban or industrial employment. The countryside and life style is very different than the life and work in the urban megalopolis that sprawls across the coastal border following the sand beaches of the Gulf of Mexico.

Figure 1 displays, in visual form, the percentage data contained in Table I. The great advantage of the cartographic presentation of data, as is this pyramid and those that follow in sequence, is that a few moments study will give one as much general information as several paragraphs, or even pages, of narrative description. While the pyramid does not have the detail of the table it does make relationships easier to grasp. It also makes unusual features clearer and comparison easier and faster than do tabular data.

It is not the purpose of the pyramids (figures) to give exact values but rather to display for quick understanding the relative size of each sex and age group in the entire population cohort under consideration.

It should be noted that the representation of the terminal age group

(75 years and over) is higher than the other age groups in the series. This is to indicate to the reader that this is an open-ended category. It is drawn half as wide and twice as high as the conventional five-year age group. This should be kept in mind when reading percentage values from the tables for the over-75 cohort.

The population configuration of the three counties presents a fairly regular population distribution. It is slightly more male than female in composition and there are indications that the number of births are decreasing as evidenced by the fact that the age group under 5 is smaller, for both sexes, than either the 5-9 or 10-14 age groups. A striking feature is the sharp decline in relative population sizes beyond 24 years of age. The effects of migration and natural increase in these age groups can best be seen in the pyramids for the individual counties.

Table II and Figure 2 shows the number and percent of population by age for the Total White Population of the combined counties, and the No. 3 series does the same for the Non-White Population. The excess of males is even more pronounced in the White cohort. The tendency to youth is quite pronounced in the Non-White population.

In order to provide the user of this data with as full information as possible, tables for Non-White, Negro and Other Races are included. The Non-White category includes Negro and all other non-caucasian persons. The black population is reported under Negro race and "Other Races" includes all persons not "white" or Negro. This usually means American Indian and Asiatics (Mongoloid) seldom including any other than Indian, Chinese, Japanese and Filipino. There were only 1430 persons of all "Other Races" in the three counties. In these counties, as in the rest of the state, Negroes so predominate the category of other races that little

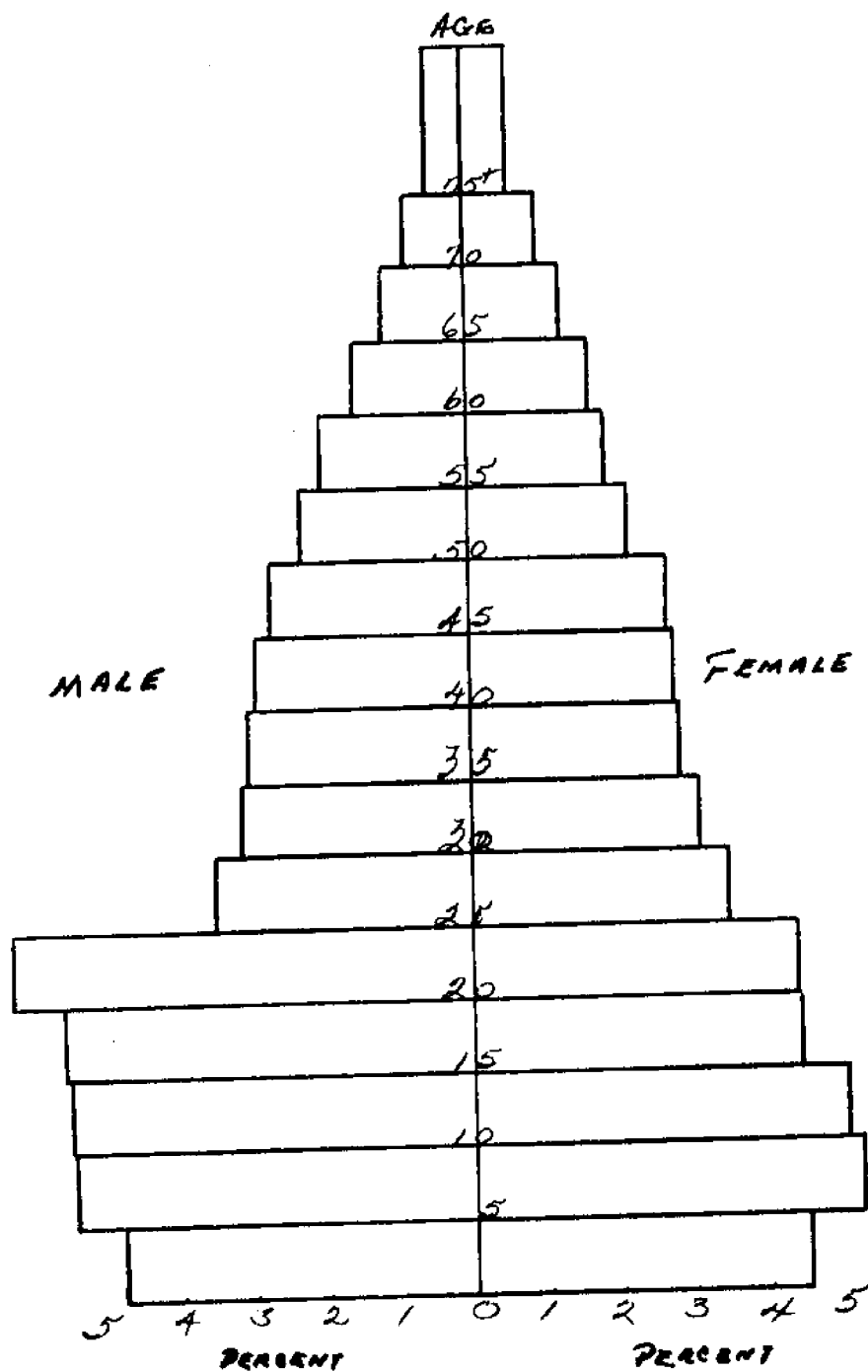
TABLE II
AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION,
BY NUMBER AND PERCENT, FOR THE WHITE POPULATION OF
HANCOCK, HARRISON, AND JACKSON COUNTIES, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*

AGE GROUP	TOTAL		MALE		FEMALE	
	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent
Under 5	18719	9.38	9584	4.80	9135	4.58
5-9	21410	10.73	10911	5.47	10499	5.26
10-14	21360	10.71	11092	5.56	10268	5.15
15-19	20188	10.12	11135	5.58	9053	4.54
20-24	21482	10.77	12584	6.31	8898	4.46
25-29	14033	7.03	7050	3.53	6983	3.50
30-34	12570	6.30	6280	3.15	6290	3.15
35-39	11740	5.88	6132	3.07	5608	2.81
40-44	11320	5.67	5792	2.90	5528	2.77
45-49	10761	5.39	5337	2.68	5424	2.72
50-54	9042	4.53	4650	2.33	4392	2.20
55-59	7725	3.87	3913	1.96	3812	1.91
60-64	6368	3.19	3047	1.53	3321	1.66
65-69	4803	2.41	2225	1.12	2578	1.29
70-74	3608	1.81	1671	.84	1937	.97
75 & over	4373	2.19	1900	.95	2473	1.24
All Classes	199502	99.98	103303	51.78	96199	48.21

*U.S. Census of Population, 1970. Mississippi Census Summary Tape Center. Summary Level 46.

FIGURE 2

POPULATION PYRAMID DISPLAYING THE AGE
AND SEX COMPOSITION OF THE WHITE POPULATION OF
HANCOCK, HARRISON, AND JACKSON COUNTIES, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*



*Plotted from data contained in Table II.

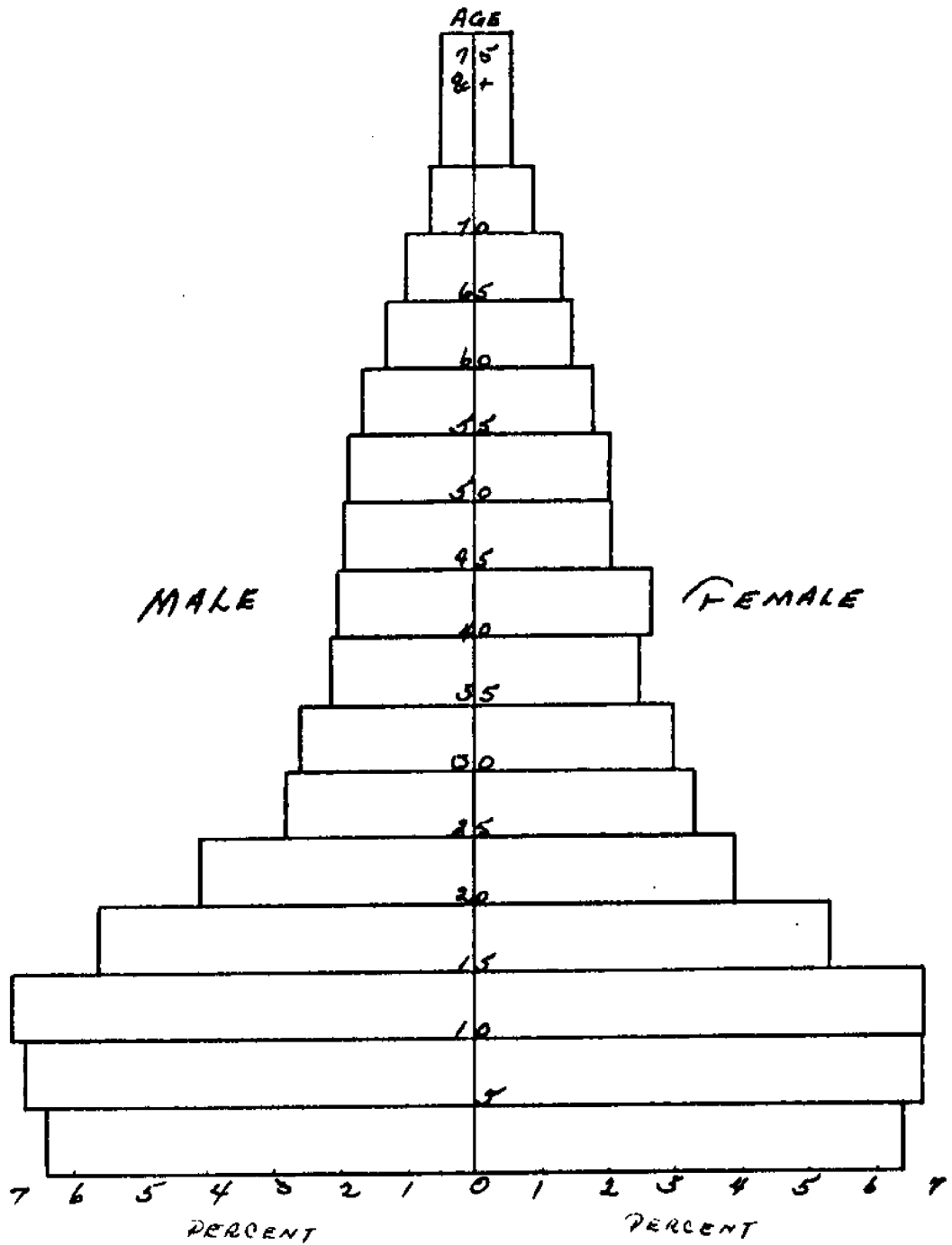
TABLE III
AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION,
BY NUMBER AND PERCENT, FOR THE NON-WHITE POPULATION
OF HANCOCK, HARRISON, AND JACKSON COUNTIES, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*

AGE GROUP	Total		Male		Female	
	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent
Under 5	5178	12.80	2585	6.39	2593	6.41
5-9	5422	13.41	2710	6.70	2712	6.71
10-14	5530	13.67	2810	6.95	2720	6.73
15-19	4410	10.91	2260	5.59	2150	5.32
20-24	3252	8.04	1662	4.11	1590	3.93
25-29	2445	6.04	1124	2.78	1321	3.27
30-34	2266	5.60	1044	2.58	1222	3.02
35-39	1891	4.68	872	2.15	1019	2.52
40-44	1908	4.72	831	2.05	1077	2.66
45-49	1630	4.03	786	1.94	844	2.09
50-54	1583	3.92	750	1.85	833	2.06
55-59	1375	3.40	658	1.63	717	1.77
60-64	1153	2.85	541	1.34	612	1.51
65-69	941	2.33	403	1.00	538	1.33
70-74	608	1.50	258	.64	350	.87
75 & over	850	2.10	364	.90	486	1.20
All Classes	40442	100.00	19658	48.60	20784	51.40

*Calculated from data contained in U.S. Census of Population, 1970. Mississippi Census Summary Tape Center, Summary Level 46.

FIGURE 3

POPULATION PYRAMID DISPLAYING THE AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION OF THE NON-WHITE POPULATION OF HANCOCK, HARRISON, AND JACKSON COUNTIES, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*



*Plotted from data contained in Table III.

TABLE IV
AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION,
BY NUMBER AND PERCENT, FOR THE NEGRO POPULATION
OF HANCOCK, HARRISON, AND JACKSON COUNTIES, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*

AGE GROUP	TOTAL		MALE		FEMALE	
	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent
Under 5	5080	12.87	2532	6.42	2548	6.46
5-9	5340	13.53	2667	6.76	2673	6.77
10-14	5435	13.77	2763	7.00	2672	6.77
15-19	4271	10.82	2158	5.47	2113	5.35
20-24	3084	7.81	1540	3.90	1544	3.91
25-29	2358	5.97	1089	2.76	1269	3.21
30-34	2184	5.53	1009	2.55	1175	2.98
35-39	1815	4.60	851	2.16	964	2.44
40-44	1865	4.73	825	2.09	1040	2.64
45-49	1613	4.09	778	1.97	835	2.12
50-54	1564	3.96	743	1.88	821	2.08
55-59	1365	3.46	653	1.66	712	1.80
60-64	1146	2.90	537	1.36	609	1.54
65-69	923	2.34	397	1.01	526	1.33
70-74	597	1.51	252	.64	345	.87
75 & over	828	2.10	346	.88	482	1.22
All Classes	39468	99.99	19140	48.51	20328	51.49

*U.S. Census of Population, 1970. Mississippi Census Summary Tape Center, Summary Level 46.

TABLE V
AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION,
BY NUMBER AND PERCENT, FOR THE OTHER RACE POPULATION
OF HANCOCK, HARRISON, AND JACKSON COUNTIES, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*

AGE GROUP	TOTAL		MALE		FEMALE	
	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent
Under 5	98	10.06	53	5.44	45	4.62
5-9	82	8.42	43	4.41	39	4.00
10-14	95	9.75	47	4.83	48	4.93
15-19	139	14.27	102	10.47	37	3.80
20-24	168	17.25	122	12.53	46	4.72
25-29	87	8.93	35	3.59	52	5.34
30-34	82	8.42	35	3.59	47	4.83
35-39	76	7.80	21	2.16	55	5.65
40-44	43	4.41	6	.62	37	3.80
45-49	17	1.75	8	.82	9	.92
50-54	19	1.95	7	.72	12	1.23
55-59	10	1.03	5	.51	5	.51
60-64	7	.72	4	.41	3	.31
65-69	18	1.85	6	.62	12	1.23
70-74	11	1.13	6	.62	5	.51
75 & over	22	2.26	18	1.85	4	.41
All classes	974	100.00	518	53.19	456	46.81

*U.S. Census of Population, 1970. Mississippi Census Summary Tape Center, Summary Level 46.

difference is actually made by including or deleting Other Races. Figure 3 displays the population pyramid for non-whites, but for all practical purposes the representations are the same as for the Negro or black cohort. For this reason, no pyramid was drawn for the Negro population separately. No pyramids are constructed for any Other Races tables since the size of the individual age groups by sex are so small.

The display of information for the individual counties begin with Table VI. The analysis begins with Hancock County. A thorough analysis of the population composition of each county is provided. For example, Hancock county is represented by eleven tables and seven pyramids which provide data on the population composition of this county by age, sex, race, and residence in detail. One will find the number and percentage of the population of each sex by 5-year age groups for: Total Population, Total White, Total Non-White, Total Negro, Total Other Races, Total Urban, Urban White, Urban Negro, Urban Other Races, Total Rural, Rural White, Rural Negro, and Rural Other Races. Thus one has available the number of persons of any age or sex for each race and for rural and urban residence or for a combination of the constituent groups.

If one wants to know the size of population cohorts such as: labor force ages, school age, college age, military age, target market groups, or elderly and/or retirement age populations, such data are readily available here for total and by male and female cohorts as well.

Hancock County. As of April 1, 1970 Hancock County had 17,387 inhabitants with females slightly outnumbering males. A decline of births in the decade of the 1960's is indicated by the lower number and percentage of children under 5 than in the 5-9 or 10-14 ages. The relatively large cohort of children 10-14 reflect the high birth rate pattern of the

1950's.

The most striking feature of the over-all population configuration is the smallness of the population 20-40 years old as compared to younger and older aged persons. There were fewer persons aged 35-39 than there were persons 60-64 years of age. In fact the 35-39 group is the smallest cohort in the population of the county until age 65 and beyond is reached. There is a marked increase in members after age 40 and these data cannot indicate the reason. Only on-the-spot survey or knowledge can satisfactorily explain this skewness in this population distribution.

The relative dearth of young and mature adults, ages 20-39, is evident in the white population but is much more pronounced in the black segment (see Figure 6). Remember, however, that the small number of non-whites (2,493 or about 14 percent) may tend to make the skewness in the age distribution, evident in Table 6, seem to be more important than is the case if total numbers are not kept in mind.

Even the urban population of Hancock County has an age-sex configuration usually characteristic of rural areas. See Table XI and Figure 7. The urban cohort is 9,860 persons (57 percent of the county's total). Over 30 percent of the total urban population is under 20, 26.8 percent are 20-34. Over 40 percent are over 45. 4.48 percent of the urban population is 60-64 while only 4.53 are in ages 30-39. The configuration suggests migration as an important factor in the pattern of a large number of children and teenagers and a relatively large cohort of middle age and older persons in comparison to number of young adults.

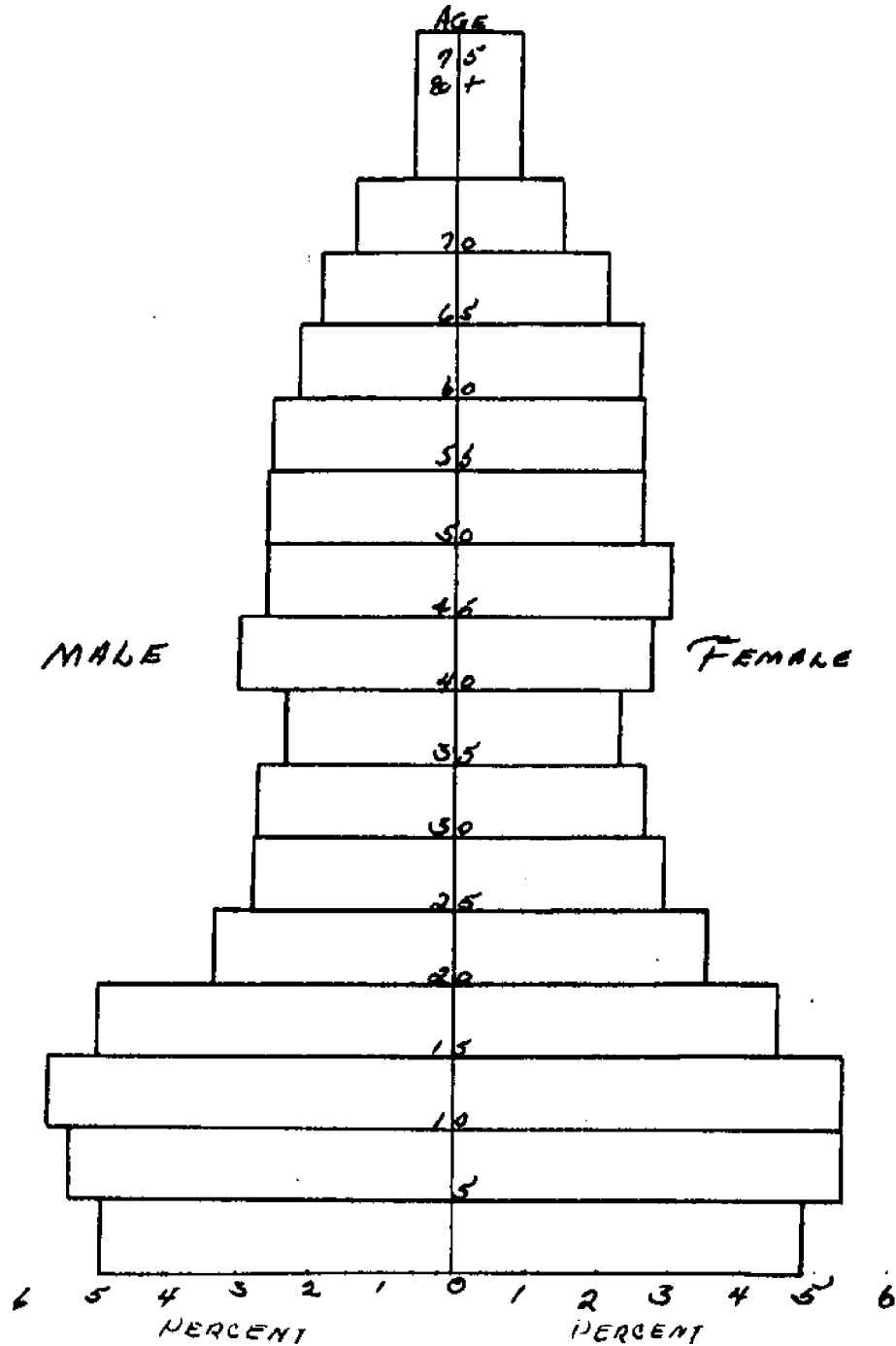
The rural population in almost 44 percent of this county's total and follows a configuration similar to the urban distribution but is less

TABLE VI
 AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION,
 BY NUMBER AND PERCENT, FOR THE TOTAL
 POPULATION OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*

AGE GROUP	TOTAL		MALE		FEMALE	
	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent
Under 5	1687	9.70	846	4.87	841	4.84
5-9	1863	10.71	926	5.33	937	5.39
10-14	1922	11.05	983	5.65	939	5.40
15-19	1647	9.47	860	4.95	787	4.53
20-24	1188	6.83	573	3.30	615	3.54
25-29	993	5.71	479	2.75	514	2.96
30-34	931	5.35	471	2.71	460	2.65
35-39	814	4.68	411	2.36	403	2.32
40-44	1000	5.75	516	2.97	484	2.78
45-49	978	5.62	450	2.59	528	3.04
50-54	904	5.20	446	2.57	458	2.63
55-59	892	5.13	439	2.52	453	2.61
60-64	818	4.70	372	2.14	446	2.57
65-69	691	3.97	324	1.86	367	2.11
70-74	499	2.87	236	1.36	263	1.51
75 & Over	560	3.22	231	1.33	329	1.89
All Classes	17387	99.96	8563	49.26	8824	50.77

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FIGURE 4
 POPULATION PYRAMID DISPLAYING
 THE AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION OF THE TOTAL
 POPULATION OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*



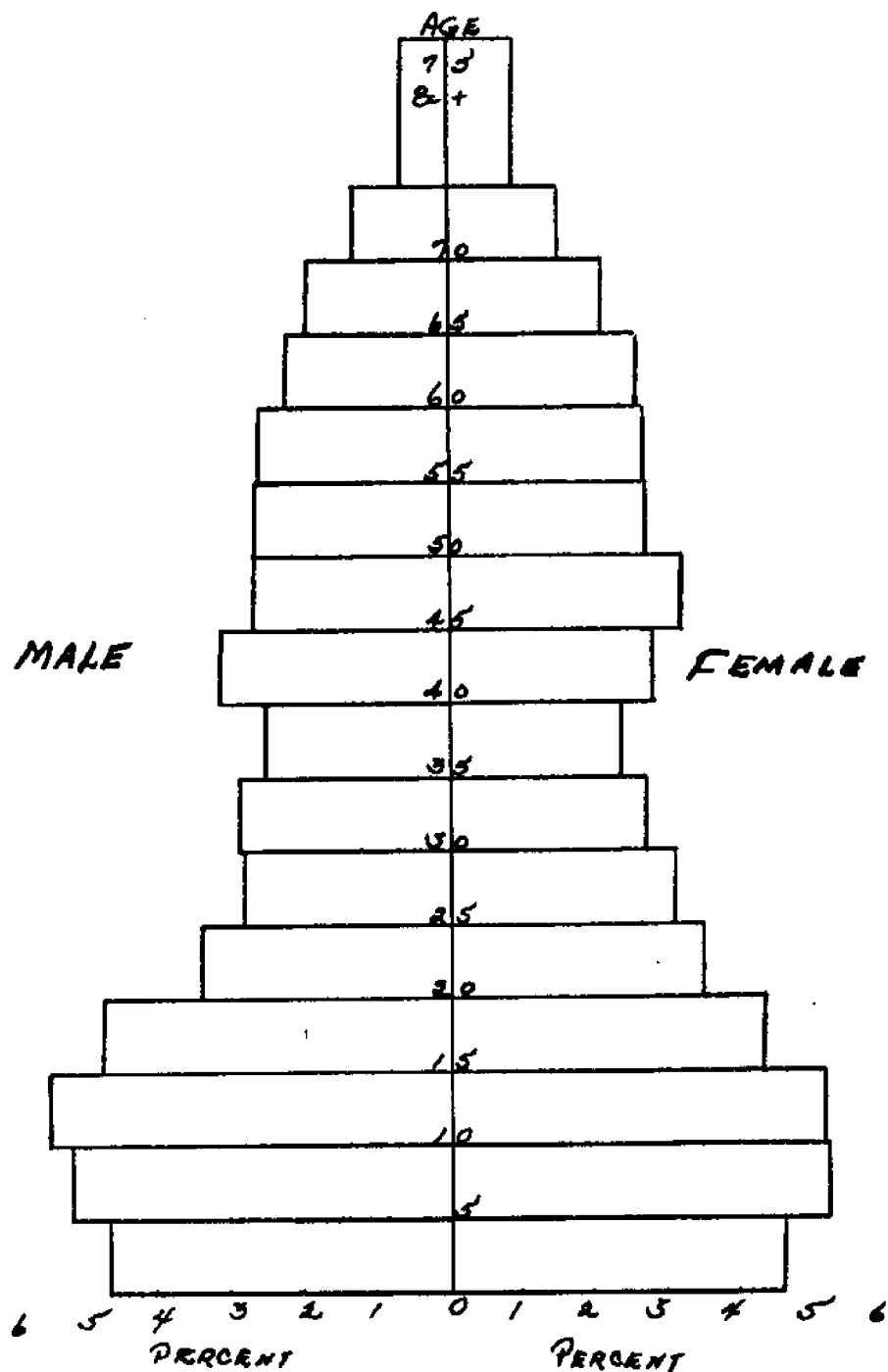
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TABLE VII
AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION,
BY NUMBER AND PERCENT, FOR THE WHITE
POPULATION OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*

AGE GROUP	TOTAL		MALE		FEMALE	
	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent
Under 5	1393	9.35	705	4.73	688	4.62
5-9	1550	10.41	773	5.19	777	5.22
10-14	1588	10.66	820	5.51	768	5.16
15-19	1351	9.07	709	4.76	642	4.31
20-24	1025	6.88	505	3.39	520	3.49
25-29	888	5.96	423	2.84	465	3.12
30-34	828	5.56	428	2.87	400	2.69
35-39	723	4.85	370	2.48	353	2.37
40-44	883	5.93	467	3.14	416	2.79
45-49	871	5.85	397	2.67	474	3.18
50-54	798	5.36	396	2.66	402	2.70
55-59	786	5.28	382	2.56	404	2.71
60-64	719	4.83	330	2.22	389	2.61
65-69	598	4.02	285	1.91	313	2.10
70-74	422	2.83	201	1.35	221	1.48
75 & Over	471	3.16	196	1.32	275	1.85
All Classes	14894	100.00	7387	49.60	7507	50.40

*U.S. Census of Population, 1970. Mississippi Census Summary
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FIGURE 5
 POPULATION PYRAMID DISPLAYING
 THE AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION OF THE WHITE
 POPULATION OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*



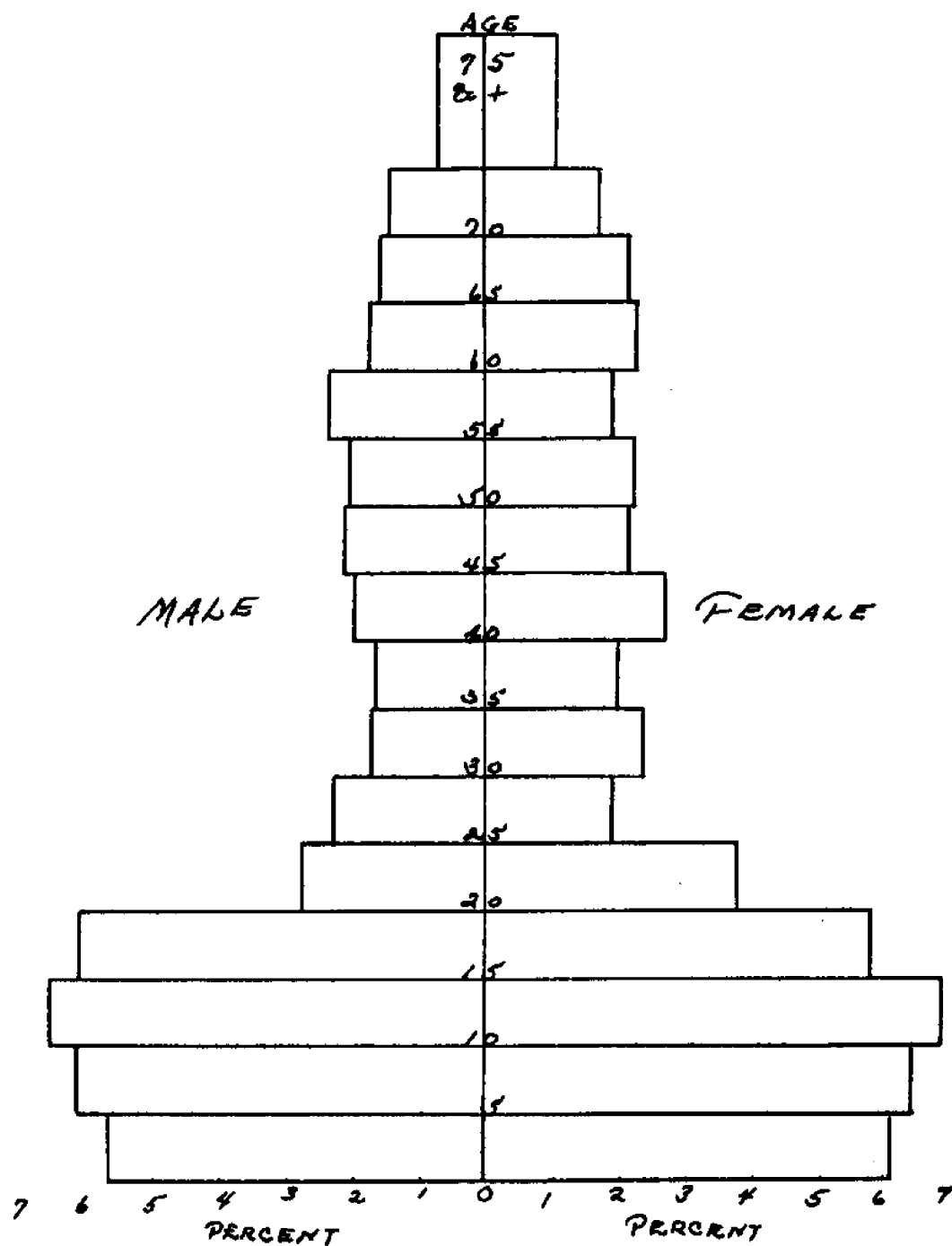
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TABLE VIII
 AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION,
 BY NUMBER AND PERCENT, FOR THE NON-WHITE
 POPULATION OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*

AGE GROUP	TOTAL		MALE		FEMALE	
	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent
Under 5	294	11.79	141	5.66	153	6.14
5-9	313	12.56	153	6.14	160	6.42
10-14	334	13.40	163	6.54	171	6.86
15-19	296	11.88	151	6.06	145	5.82
20-24	163	6.54	68	2.73	95	3.81
25-29	105	4.21	56	2.25	49	1.96
30-34	103	4.13	43	1.72	60	2.41
35-39	91	3.65	41	1.64	50	2.01
40-44	117	4.69	49	1.96	68	2.73
45-49	107	4.29	53	2.12	54	2.17
50-54	106	4.25	50	2.01	56	2.25
55-59	106	4.25	57	2.29	49	1.96
60-64	99	3.97	42	1.68	57	2.29
65-69	93	3.73	39	1.56	54	2.17
70-74	77	3.09	35	1.40	42	1.68
75 & Over	89	3.57	35	1.40	54	2.17
All Classes	2493	100.00	1176	47.15	1317	52.85

*Calculated from data contained in U.S. Census of Population, 1970. Mississippi Census Summary Tape Center, Summary Level 0.

FIGURE 6
 POPULATION PYRAMID DISPLAYING
 THE AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION OF THE NON-WHITE
 POPULATION OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*



*Plotted from data contained in Table VIII.

TABLE IX
 AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION,
 BY NUMBER AND PERCENT, FOR THE NEGRO
 POPULATION OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*

AGE GROUP	TOTAL		MALE		FEMALE	
	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent
Under 5	291	11.80	138	5.59	153	6.20
5-9	312	12.64	152	6.16	160	6.48
10-14	331	13.41	161	6.52	170	6.89
15-19	293	11.88	149	6.04	144	5.84
20-24	163	6.61	68	2.76	95	3.85
25-29	103	4.18	55	2.23	48	1.95
30-34	102	4.13	43	1.74	59	2.39
35-39	89	3.61	40	1.62	49	1.99
40-44	116	4.70	49	1.99	67	2.71
45-49	106	4.30	52	2.11	54	2.19
50-54	102	4.13	48	1.95	54	2.19
55-59	105	4.26	57	2.31	48	1.95
60-64	99	4.01	42	1.70	57	2.31
65-69	92	3.73	39	1.58	53	2.15
70-74	76	3.08	34	1.38	42	1.70
75 & Over	87	3.53	35	1.42	52	2.11
All Classes	2467	100.00	1162	47.10	1305	52.90

*U.S. Census of Population, 1970. Mississippi Census Summary
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TABLE X
AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION,
BY NUMBER AND PERCENT, FOR THE OTHER RACES
POPULATION OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*

AGE GROUP	TOTAL		MALE		FEMALE	
	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent
Under 5	3	11.54	3	11.54	0	.00
5-9	1	3.85	1	3.85	0	.00
10-14	3	11.54	2	7.69	1	3.85
15-19	3	11.54	2	7.69	1	3.85
20-24	0	.00	0	.00	0	.00
25-29	2	7.69	1	3.85	1	3.85
30-34	1	3.85	0	.00	1	3.85
35-39	2	7.69	1	3.85	1	3.85
40-44	1	3.85	0	.00	1	3.85
45-49	1	3.85	1	3.85	0	.00
50-54	4	15.38	2	7.69	2	7.69
55-59	1	3.85	0	.00	1	3.85
60-64	0	.00	0	.00	0	.00
65-69	1	3.85	0	.00	1	3.85
70-74	1	3.85	1	3.85	0	.00
75 & Over	2	7.69	0	.00	2	7.69
All Classes	26	100.02	14	53.86	12	46.18

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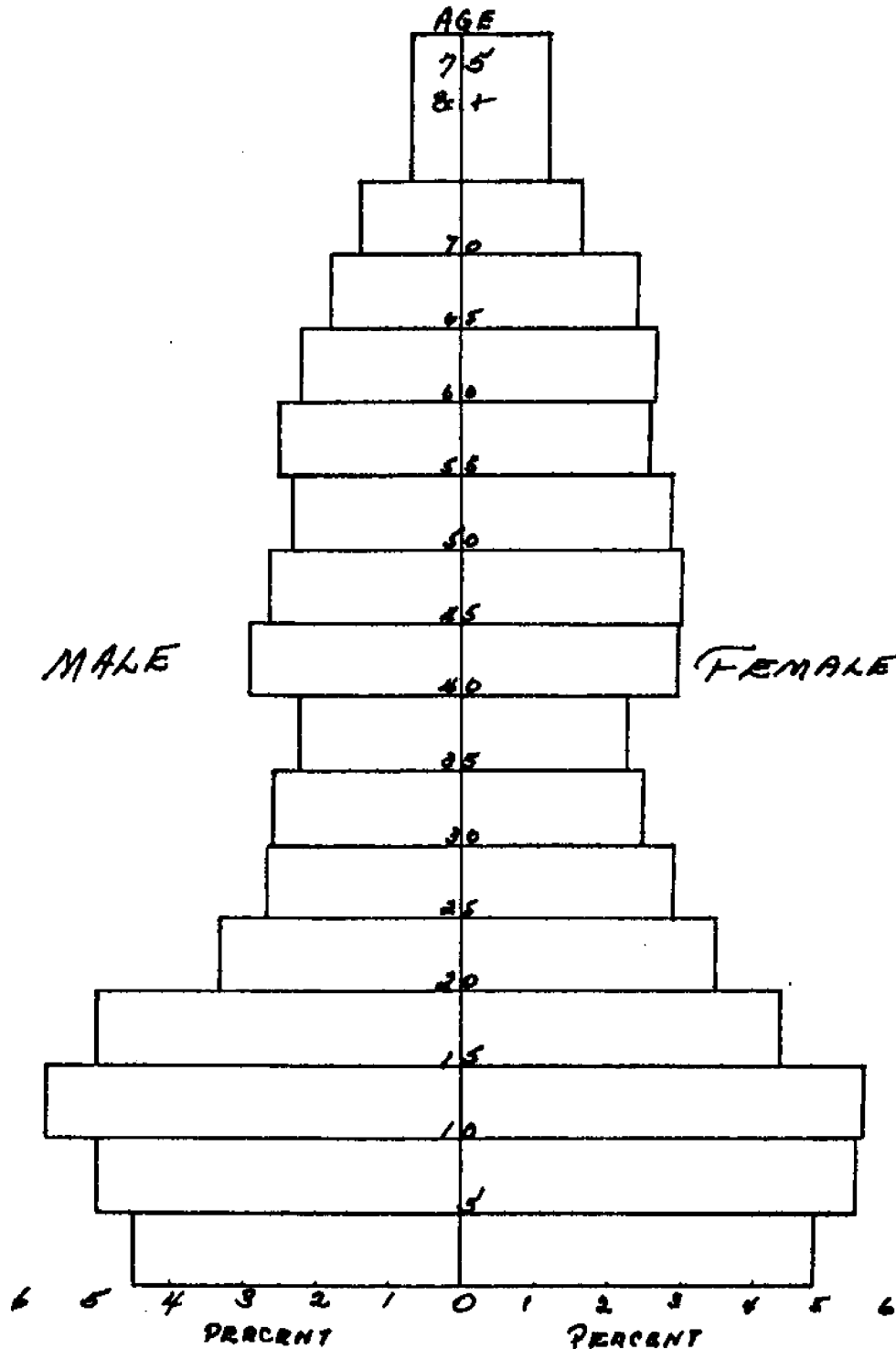
TABLE XI
AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION,
BY NUMBER AND PERCENT, FOR THE TOTAL URBAN
POPULATION OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*

AGE GROUP	TOTAL		MALE		FEMALE	
	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent
Under 5	918	9.31	440	4.46	478	4.85
5-9	1024	10.39	491	4.98	533	5.41
10-14	1099	11.15	559	5.67	540	5.48
15-19	924	9.37	490	4.97	434	4.40
20-24	673	6.83	326	3.31	347	3.52
25-29	544	5.52	261	2.65	283	2.87
30-34	498	5.05	254	2.58	244	2.47
35-39	447	4.53	220	2.23	227	2.30
40-44	580	5.88	286	2.90	294	2.98
45-49	561	5.69	261	2.65	300	3.04
50-54	513	5.20	230	2.33	283	2.87
55-59	505	5.12	246	2.49	259	2.63
60-64	477	4.84	216	2.19	261	2.65
65-69	416	4.22	174	1.76	242	2.45
70-74	304	3.08	141	1.43	163	1.65
75 & Over	377	3.82	145	1.47	232	2.35
All Classes	9860	100.00	4740	48.07	5120	51.92

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FIGURE 7

POPULATION PYRAMID DISPLAYING
THE AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION OF THE TOTAL URBAN
POPULATION OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*



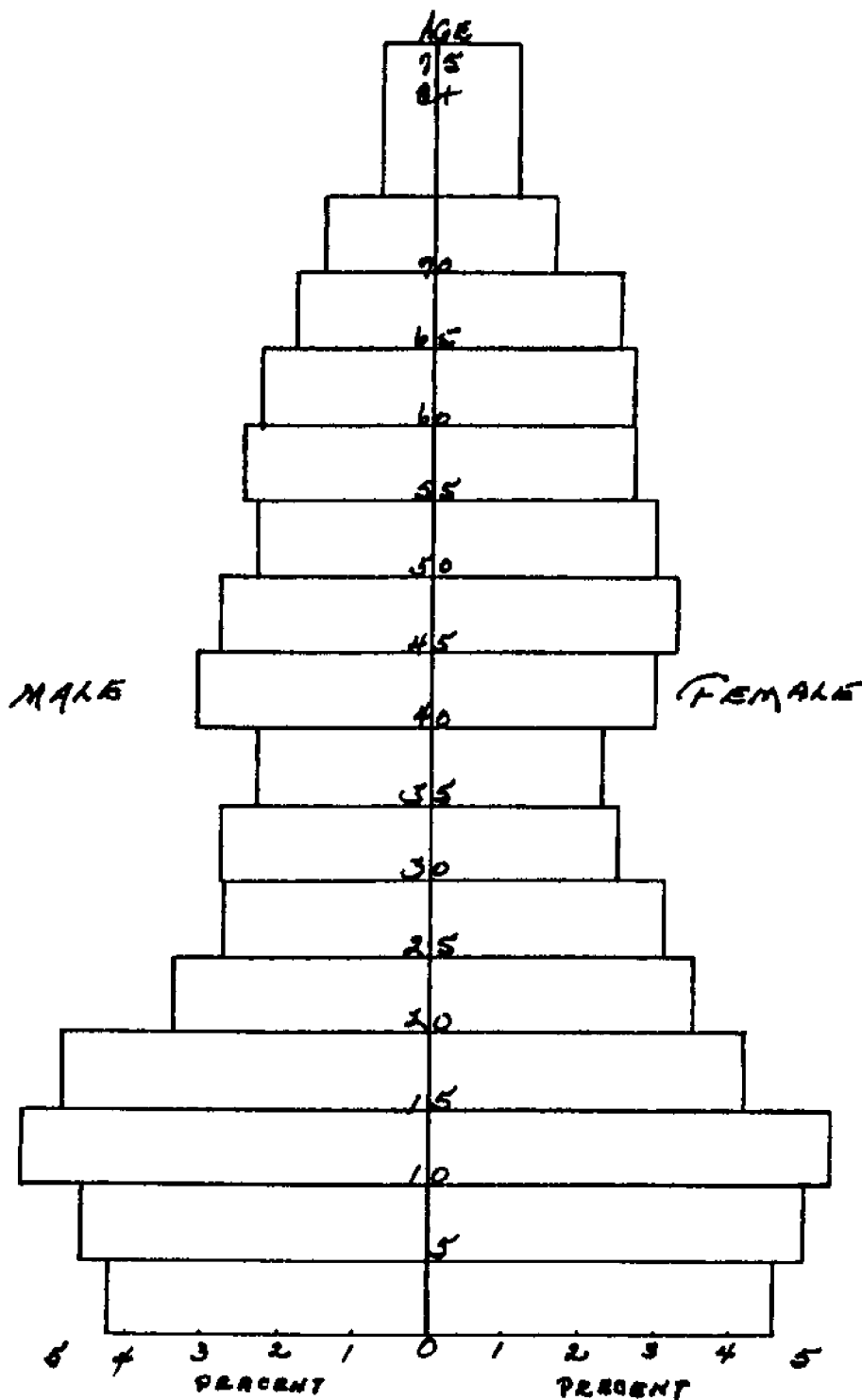
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TABLE XII
AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION,
BY NUMBER AND PERCENT, FOR THE URBAN WHITE
POPULATION OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*

AGE GROUP	TOTAL		MALE		FEMALE	
	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent
Under 5	722	8.88	345	4.24	377	4.63
5-9	786	9.66	376	4.62	410	5.04
10-14	871	10.71	443	5.45	428	5.26
15-19	742	9.12	398	4.89	344	4.23
20-24	568	6.98	280	3.44	288	3.54
25-29	474	5.83	222	2.73	252	3.10
30-34	427	5.25	225	2.77	202	2.48
35-39	370	4.55	186	2.29	184	2.26
40-44	501	6.16	253	3.11	248	3.05
45-49	496	6.10	228	2.80	268	3.29
50-54	433	5.32	191	2.35	242	2.98
55-59	426	5.24	203	2.50	223	2.74
60-64	403	4.95	184	2.26	219	2.69
65-69	352	4.33	148	1.82	204	2.51
70-74	249	3.06	118	1.45	131	1.61
75 & Over	314	3.86	127	1.56	187	2.30
All Classes	8134	100.00	3927	48.28	4207	51.71

*U.S. Census of Population, 1970. Mississippi Census Summary Tape Center, Summary Level 46.

FIGURE 8
 POPULATION PYRAMID DISPLAYING
 THE AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION OF THE URBAN WHITE
 POPULATION OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*



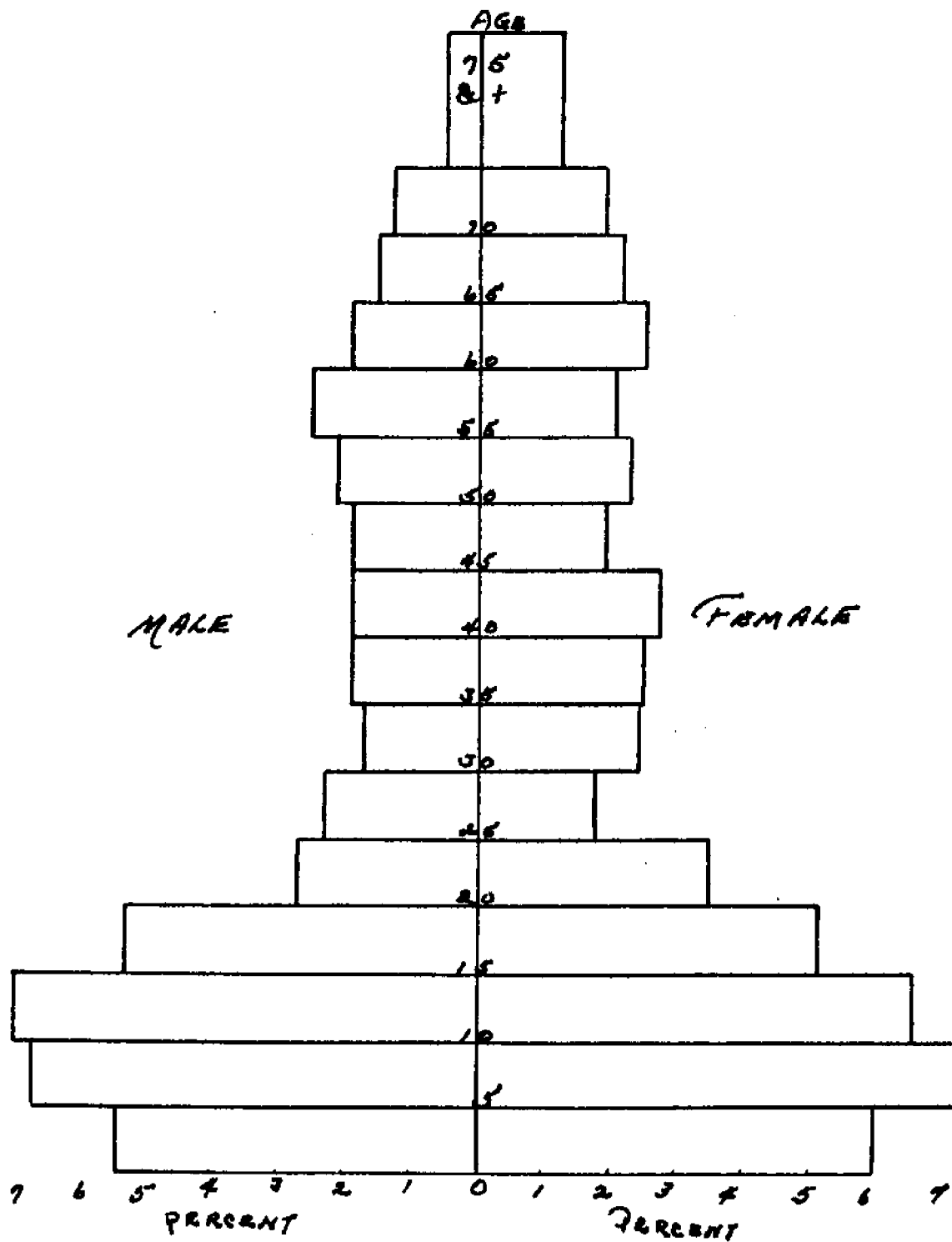
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TABLE XIII
 AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION,
 BY NUMBER AND PERCENT, FOR THE URBAN NEGRO
 POPULATION OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*

AGE GROUP	TOTAL		MALE		FEMALE	
	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent
Under 5	194	11.35	93	5.44	101	5.91
5-9	237	13.86	114	6.67	123	7.19
10-14	228	13.33	116	6.78	112	6.55
15-19	181	10.58	91	5.32	90	5.26
20-24	105	6.14	46	2.69	59	3.45
25-29	69	4.04	39	2.28	30	1.75
30-34	70	4.09	29	1.70	41	2.40
35-39	75	4.39	33	1.93	42	2.46
40-44	79	4.62	33	1.93	46	2.69
45-49	65	3.80	33	1.93	32	1.87
50-54	77	4.50	37	2.16	40	2.34
55-59	78	4.56	43	2.51	35	2.05
60-64	74	4.33	32	1.87	42	2.46
65-69	63	3.68	26	1.52	37	2.16
70-74	54	3.16	22	1.29	32	1.87
75 & Over	61	3.57	18	1.05	43	2.51
All Classes	1710	100.00	805	47.07	905	52.92

*U.S. Census of Population, 1970. Mississippi Census Summary
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FIGURE 9
 POPULATION PYRAMID DISPLAYING
 THE AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION OF THE URBAN NEGRO
 POPULATION OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*



*Plotted from data contained in Table XIII.

TABLE XIV
 AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION,
 BY NUMBER AND PERCENT, FOR THE URBAN
 OTHER RACES POPULATION OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*

AGE GROUP	TOTAL		MALE		FEMALE	
	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent
Under 5	2	12.50	2	12.50	0	.00
5-9	1	6.25	1	6.25	0	.00
10-14	0	.00	0	.00	0	.00
15-19	1	6.25	1	6.25	0	.00
20-24	0	.00	0	.00	0	.00
25-29	1	6.25	0	.00	1	6.25
30-34	1	6.25	0	.00	1	6.25
35-39	2	12.50	1	6.25	1	6.25
40-44	0	.00	0	.00	0	.00
45-49	0	.00	0	.00	0	.00
50-54	3	18.75	2	12.50	1	6.25
55-59	1	6.25	0	.00	1	6.25
60-64	0	.00	0	.00	0	.00
65-69	1	6.25	0	.00	1	6.25
70-74	1	6.25	1	6.25	0	.00
75 & Over	2	12.50	0	.00	2	12.50
All Classes	16	100.00	8	50.00	8	50.00

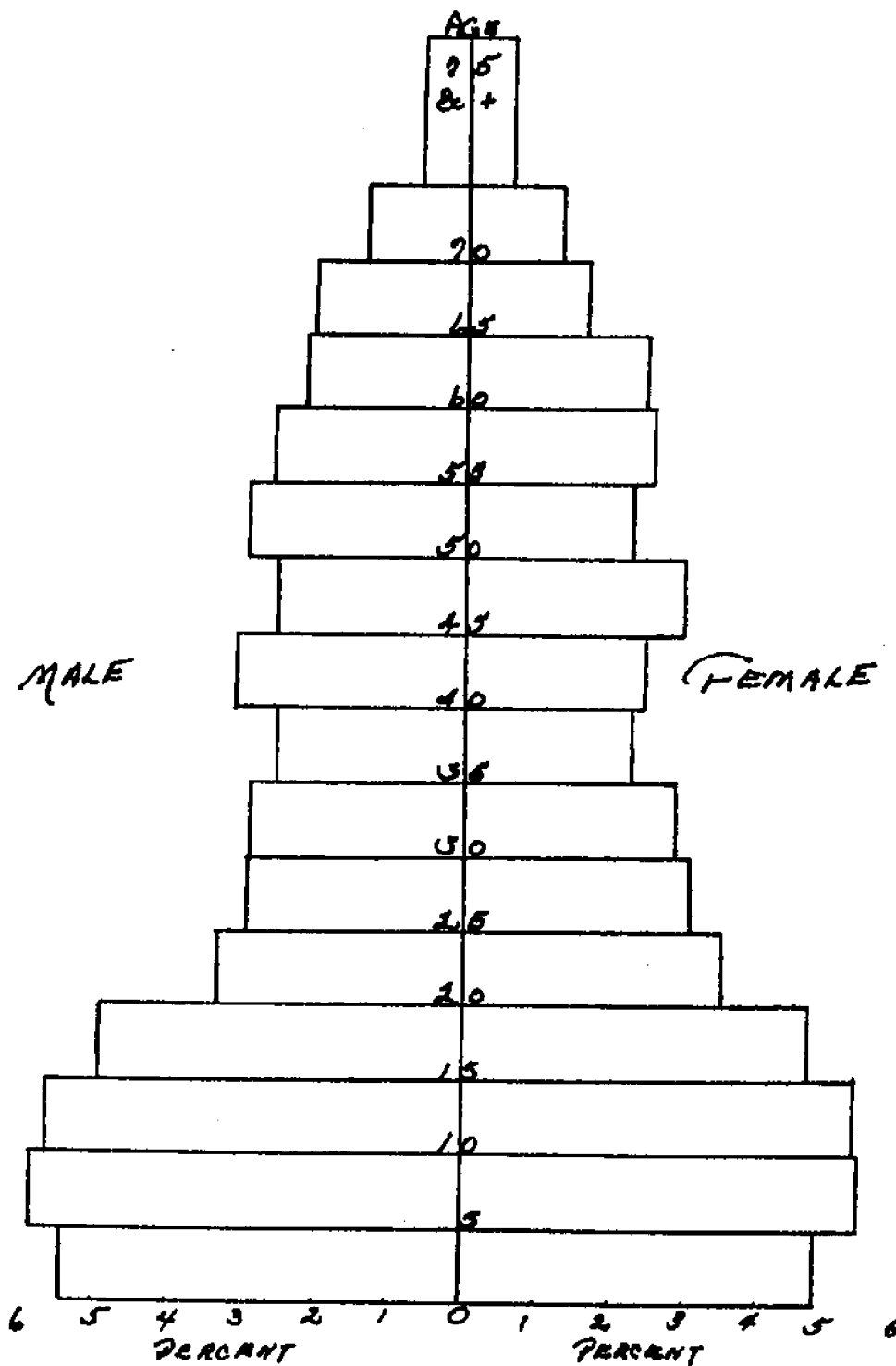
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TABLE XV
 AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION,
 BY NUMBER AND PERCENT, FOR THE TOTAL RURAL
 POPULATION OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*

AGE GROUP	TOTAL		MALE		FEMALE	
	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent
Under 5	769	10.22	406	5.39	363	4.82
5-9	839	11.15	435	5.78	404	5.37
10-14	823	10.93	424	5.63	399	5.30
15-19	723	9.61	370	4.92	353	4.69
20-24	515	6.84	247	3.28	268	3.56
25-29	449	5.97	218	2.90	231	3.07
30-34	433	5.75	217	2.88	216	2.87
35-39	367	4.88	191	2.54	176	2.34
40-44	420	5.58	230	3.06	190	2.52
45-49	417	5.54	189	2.51	228	3.03
50-54	391	5.19	216	2.87	175	2.32
55-59	387	5.14	193	2.56	194	2.58
60-64	341	4.53	156	2.07	185	2.46
65-69	275	3.65	150	1.99	125	1.66
70-74	195	2.59	95	1.26	100	1.33
75 & Over	183	2.43	86	1.14	97	1.29
All Classes	7527	100.00	3823	50.78	3704	49.21

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FIGURE 10
 POPULATION PYRAMID DISPLAYING
 THE AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION OF THE TOTAL RURAL
 POPULATION OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*



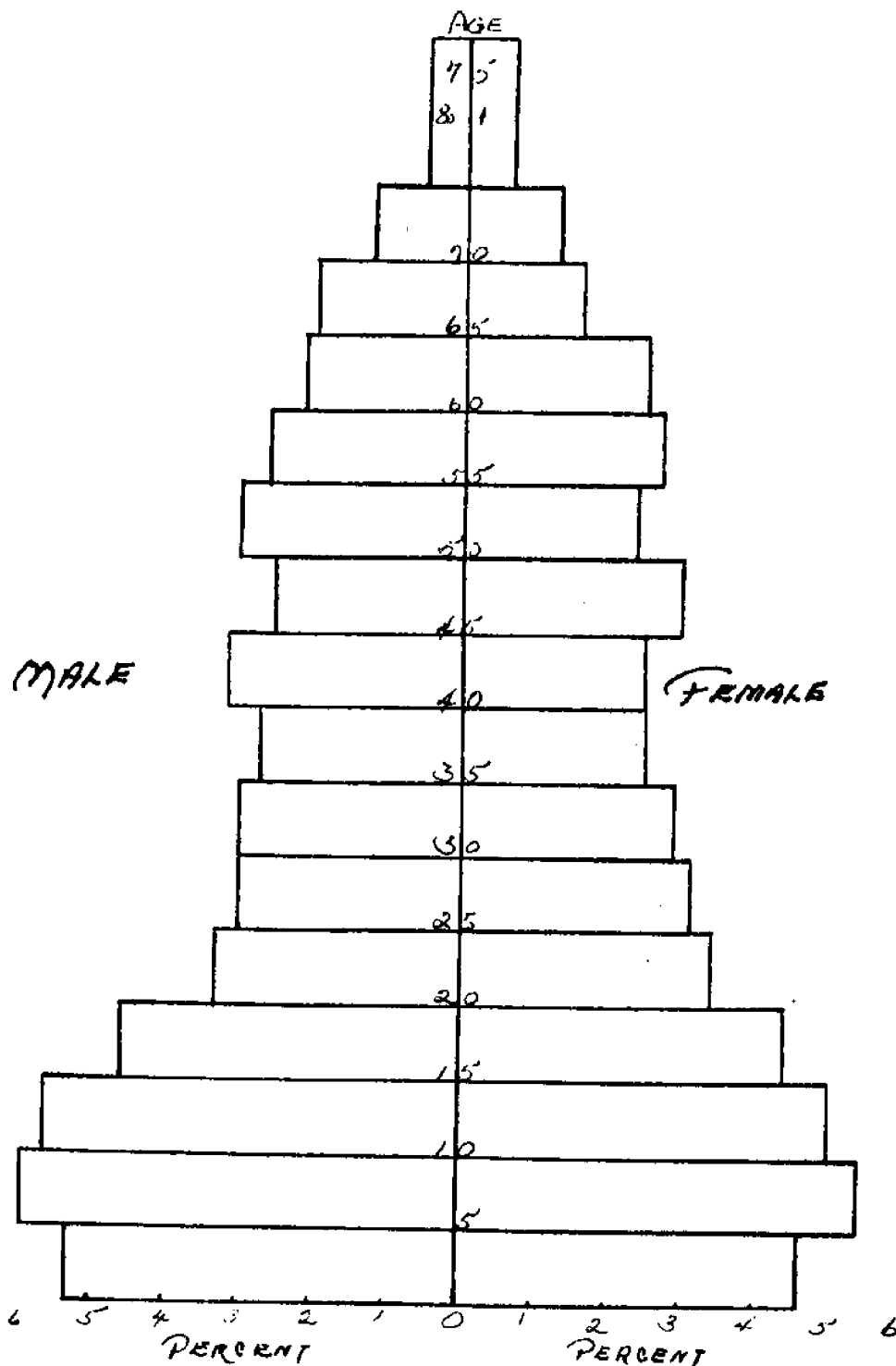
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TABLE XVI
AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION,
BY NUMBER AND PERCENT, FOR THE RURAL WHITE
POPULATION OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*

AGE GROUP	TOTAL		MALE		FEMALE	
	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent
Under 5	671	9.93	360	5.33	311	4.60
5-9	764	11.30	397	5.87	367	5.43
10-14	717	10.61	377	5.58	340	5.03
15-19	609	9.01	311	4.60	298	4.41
20-24	457	6.76	225	3.33	232	3.43
25-29	414	6.12	201	2.97	213	3.15
30-34	401	5.93	203	3.00	198	2.93
35-39	353	5.22	184	2.72	169	2.50
40-44	382	5.65	214	3.17	168	2.49
45-49	375	5.55	169	2.50	206	3.05
50-54	365	5.40	205	3.03	160	2.37
55-59	360	5.33	179	2.65	181	2.68
60-64	316	4.67	146	2.16	170	2.51
65-69	246	3.64	137	2.03	109	1.61
70-74	173	2.56	83	1.23	90	1.33
75 & Over	157	2.32	69	1.02	88	1.30
All Classes	6760	100.00	3460	51.19	3300	48.82

*U.S. Census of Population, 1970. Mississippi Census Summary
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FIGURE 11
 POPULATION PYRAMID DISPLAYING
 THE AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION OF THE RURAL WHITE
 POPULATION OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*



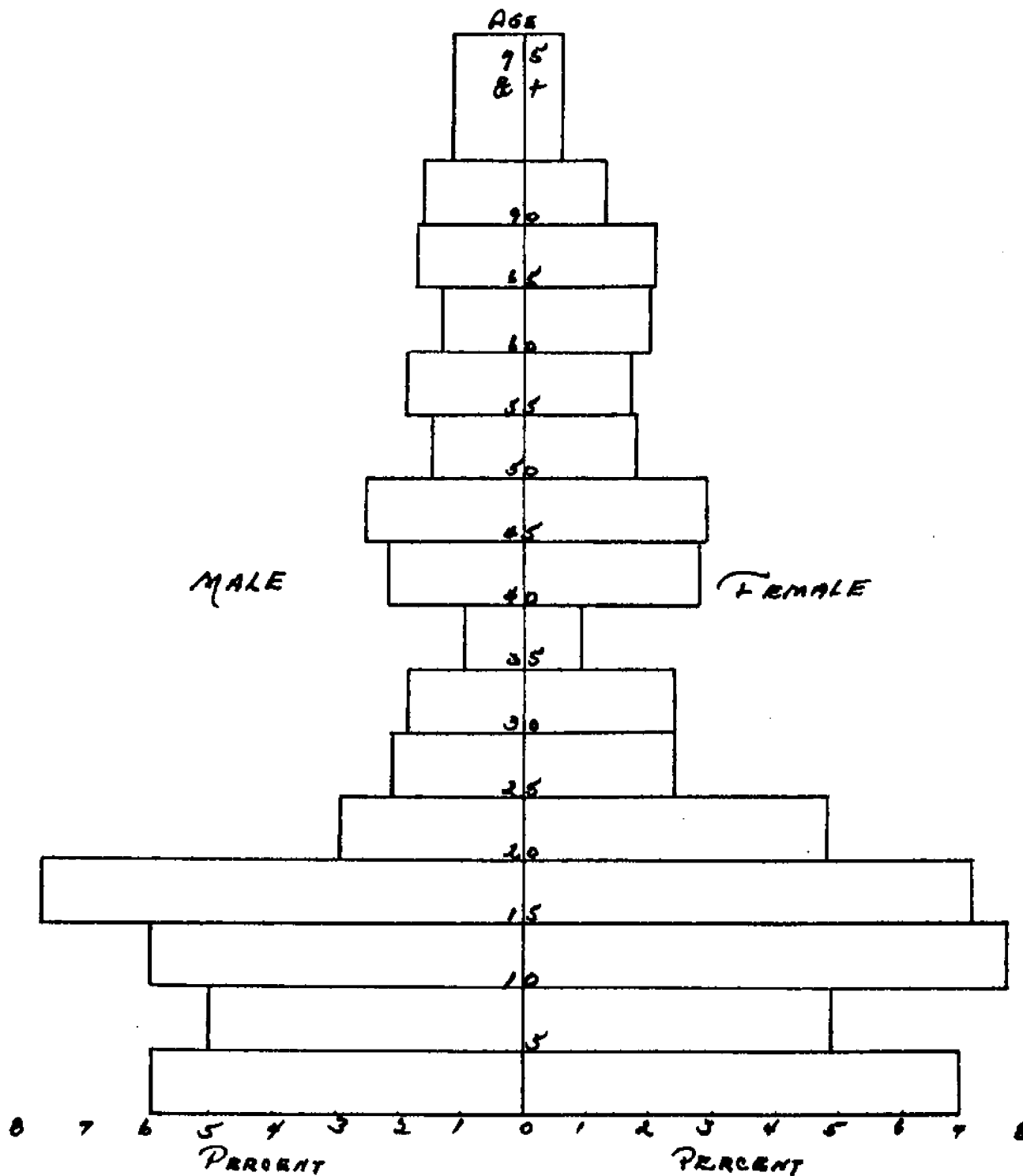
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TABLE XVII
AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION,
BY NUMBER AND PERCENT, FOR THE RURAL NEGRO
POPULATION OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*

AGE GROUP	TOTAL		MALE		FEMALE	
	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent
Under 5	97	12.81	45	5.94	52	6.87
5-9	75	9.91	38	5.02	37	4.89
10-14	103	13.61	45	5.94	58	7.66
15-19	112	14.80	58	7.66	54	7.13
20-24	58	7.66	22	2.91	36	4.76
25-29	34	4.49	16	2.11	18	2.38
30-34	32	4.23	14	1.85	18	2.38
35-39	14	1.85	7	.92	7	.92
40-44	37	4.89	16	2.11	21	2.77
45-49	41	5.42	19	2.51	22	2.91
50-54	25	3.30	11	1.45	14	1.85
55-59	27	3.57	14	1.85	13	1.72
60-64	25	3.30	10	1.32	15	1.98
65-69	29	3.83	13	1.72	16	2.11
70-74	22	2.91	12	1.59	10	1.32
75 & Over	26	3.43	17	2.25	9	1.19
All Classes	757	100.01	357	47.15	400	52.84

*U.S. Census of Population, 1970. Mississippi Census Summary
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FIGURE 12
 POPULATION PYRAMID DISPLAYING
 THE AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION OF THE RURAL NEGRO
 POPULATION OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*



*Plotted from data contained in Table XVII.

TABLE XVIII
 AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION,
 BY NUMBER AND PERCENT, FOR THE OTHER RACES
 POPULATION OF HANCOCK COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*

AGE GROUP	TOTAL		MALE		FEMALE	
	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent
Under 5	1	10.00	1	10.00	0	.00
5-9	0	.00	0	.00	0	.00
10-14	3	30.00	2	20.00	1	10.00
15-19	2	20.00	1	10.00	1	10.00
20-24	0	.00	0	.00	0	.00
25-29	1	10.00	1	10.00	0	.00
30-34	0	.00	0	.00	0	.00
35-39	0	.00	0	.00	0	.00
40-44	1	10.00	0	.00	1	10.00
45-49	1	10.00	1	10.00	0	.00
50-54	1	10.00	0	.00	1	10.00
55-59	0	.00	0	.00	0	.00
60-64	0	.00	0	.00	0	.00
65-69	0	.00	0	.00	0	.00
70-74	0	.00	0	.00	0	.00
75 & Over	0	.00	0	.00	0	.00
All Classes	10	100.00	6	60.00	4	40.00

*U.S. Census of Population, 1970. Mississippi Census Summary
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pronounced and the size of the cohorts in the upper ages are not as regular. The large size of the dependent or school age groups continue to be prominent although a slight decline in total births is indicated. Only 8.6 percent of the rural population is over 65 which is below the national norm and somewhat low for a rural area.

There were only 757 rural blacks in the county in 1970 but the age composition is extremely erratic (study Figure 12). The largest age group is 15-19 and the smallest is 35-39. Fifty-one percent of the Negro population was under 20 years of age. Ten percent were over 65.

Harrison County. The age and sex composition of the population of Harrison County is quite interesting. Very regular in some aspects and very irregular in others. The most notable feature is the "maleness" of the county.

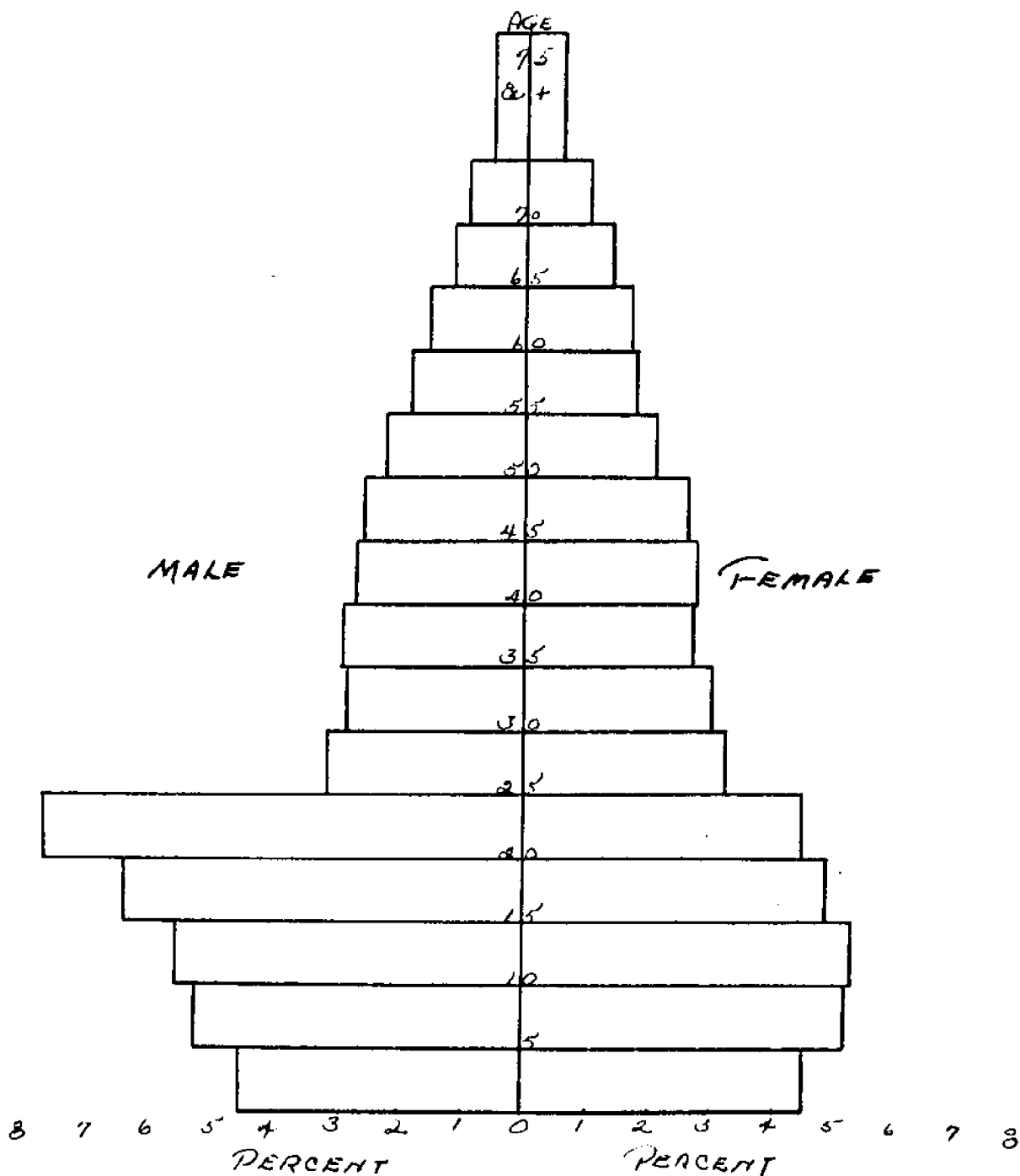
The sex ratio in Harrison was 110, compared to 94 for the state as a whole. Males outnumber females at all ages up to 25. Thereafter females usually predominate. Male numerical dominance is most pronounced in the late teens and early twenties. Males 15-24 made up 14 percent of the county's total population. Females in the same age range accounted for 9.9 percent of the population. The relationships can be best seen in Figure 13. The presence in Harrison County (Biloxi) of the Air Force Base and School has much to do with the desparate sex ratio (153.4) of the county. Little evidence of age distribution skewness is seen after age 40. Females are in a slight majority, as is normal, and there are no apparent marked effects of migration into or out of the county in these ages. Migration is being fully studied by another researcher under the Marine Center population project and complete migration information can be gained from that work.

TABLE XIX
 AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION,
 BY NUMBER AND PERCENT, FOR THE TOTAL
 POPULATION OF HARRISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*

AGE GROUP	TOTAL		MALE		FEMALE	
	Number		Number		Number	
Under 5	12150	9.03	6149	4.57	6001	4.46
5-9	14078	10.46	7161	5.32	6917	5.14
10-14	14511	10.78	7540	5.60	6971	5.18
15-19	15086	11.21	8645	6.42	6441	4.79
20-24	16360	12.16	10391	7.72	5969	4.44
25-29	8568	6.37	4256	3.16	4312	3.20
30-34	7833	5.82	3841	2.85	3992	2.97
35-39	7592	5.64	3931	2.92	3661	2.72
40-44	7280	5.41	3590	2.67	3690	2.74
45-49	6946	5.16	3460	2.57	3486	2.59
50-54	5826	4.33	2973	2.21	2853	2.12
55-59	4894	3.64	2439	1.81	2455	1.82
60-64	4298	3.19	2007	1.49	2291	1.70
65-69	3351	2.49	1460	1.08	1891	1.41
70-74	2614	1.94	1204	.89	1410	1.05
75 & Over	3195	2.37	1453	1.08	1742	1.29
All Classes	134582	100.00	70500	52.36	64082	47.62

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FIGURE 13
 POPULATION PYRAMID DISPLAYING
 THE AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION OF THE TOTAL
 POPULATION OF HARRISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*



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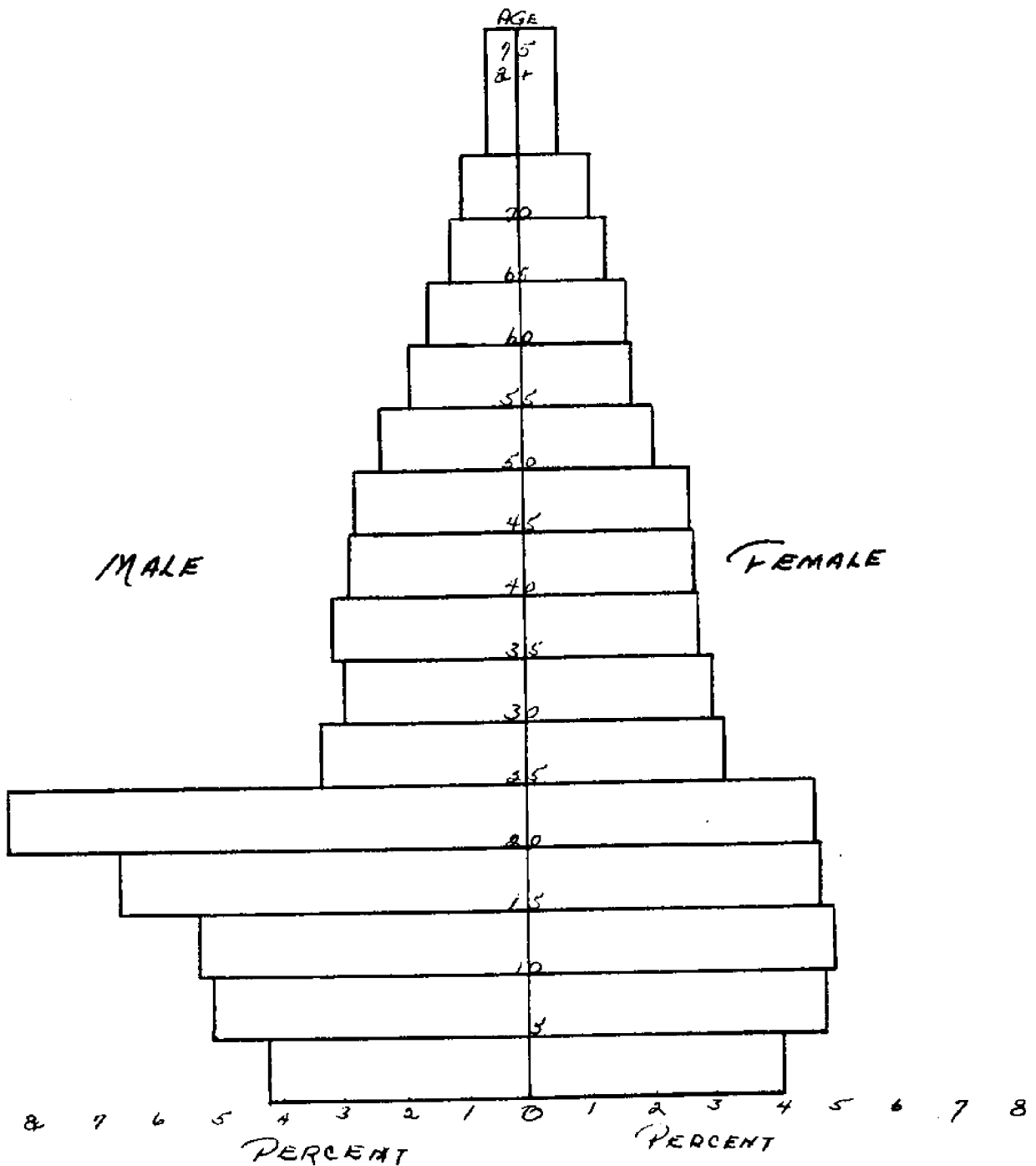
TABLE XX
 AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION,
 BY NUMBER AND PERCENT, FOR THE WHITE
 POPULATION OF HARRISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*

AGE GROUP	TOTAL		MALE		FEMALE	
	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent
Under 5	9228	8.31	4703	4.23	4525	4.07
5-9	10993	9.90	5633	5.07	5360	4.83
10-14	11376	10.24	5935	5.34	5441	4.90
15-19	12488	11.24	7281	6.55	5207	4.69
20-24	14380	12.95	9292	8.37	5088	4.58
25-29	7173	6.46	3624	3.26	3549	3.20
30-34	6518	5.87	3236	2.91	3282	2.96
35-39	6488	5.84	3424	3.08	3064	2.76
40-44	6154	5.54	3108	2.80	3046	2.74
45-49	5976	5.38	2988	2.69	2988	2.69
50-54	4916	4.43	2555	2.30	2361	2.13
55-59	4070	3.66	2047	1.84	2023	1.82
60-64	3612	3.25	1698	1.53	1914	1.72
65-69	2781	2.50	1231	1.11	1550	1.40
70-74	2248	2.02	1053	.95	1195	1.07
75 & Over	2660	2.40	1217	1.10	1443	1.30
All Classes	111061	99.99	59025	53.14	52036	46.86

*U.S. Census of Population, 1970. Mississippi Census Summary
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FIGURE 14

POPULATION PYRAMID DISPLAYING
THE AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION OF THE WHITE
POPULATION OF HARRISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*



*Plotted from data contained in Table XX.

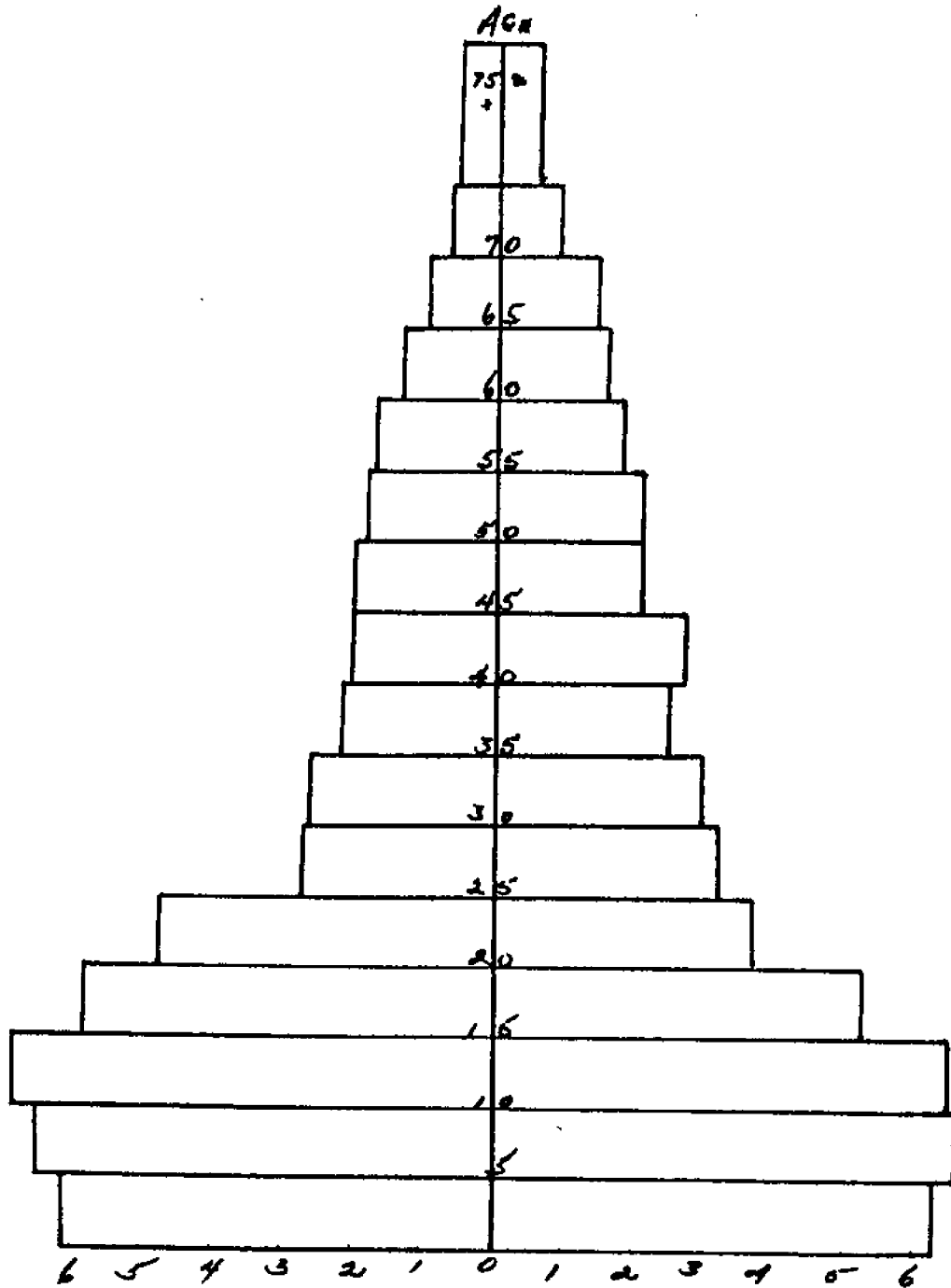
TABLE XXI
 AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION,
 BY NUMBER AND PERCENT, FOR THE NON-WHITE
 POPULATION OF HARRISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*

AGE GROUP	TOTAL		MALE		FEMALE	
	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent
Under 5	2922	12.42	1446	6.15	1476	6.28
5-9	3085	13.12	1528	6.50	1557	6.62
10-14	3135	13.33	1605	6.82	1530	6.50
15-19	2598	11.05	1364	5.80	1234	5.25
20-24	1980	8.49	1099	4.67	881	3.74
25-29	1395	5.93	632	2.69	763	3.24
30-34	1315	5.59	605	2.57	710	3.02
35-39	1104	4.69	507	2.16	597	2.54
40-44	1126	4.79	482	2.05	644	2.74
45-49	970	4.12	472	2.01	498	2.12
50-54	910	3.87	418	1.78	492	2.09
55-59	824	3.50	392	1.67	432	1.84
60-64	686	2.92	309	1.31	377	1.60
65-69	570	2.42	229	.97	341	1.45
70-74	366	1.56	151	.64	215	.91
75 & Over	535	2.27	236	1.00	299	1.27
All Classes	23521	100.00	11475	48.79	12046	51.21

* Calculated from data contained in U.S. Census of Population, 1970.
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FIGURE 15

POPULATION PYRAMID DISPLAYING
 THE AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION OF THE NON-WHITE
 POPULATION OF HARRISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*



*Plotted from data contained in Table XXI.

TABLE XXII
 AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION,
 BY NUMBER AND PERCENT, FOR THE NEGRO
 POPULATION OF HARRISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*

AGE GROUP	TOTAL		MALE		FEMALE	
	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent
Under 5	2849	12.52	1405	6.18	1444	6.35
5-9	3017	13.27	1494	6.57	1523	6.69
10-14	3067	13.48	1571	6.90	1496	6.57
15-19	2473	10.87	1267	5.57	1206	5.30
20-24	1835	8.07	989	4.35	846	3.72
25-29	1325	5.83	602	2.65	723	3.18
30-34	1248	5.49	578	2.54	670	2.95
35-39	1039	4.57	489	2.15	550	2.42
40-44	1094	4.81	477	2.10	617	2.71
45-49	958	4.21	467	2.05	491	2.16
50-54	903	3.97	415	1.82	488	2.15
55-59	817	3.59	388	1.71	429	1.89
60-64	680	2.99	306	1.35	374	1.64
65-69	557	2.45	225	.99	332	1.46
70-74	359	1.58	148	.65	211	.93
75 & Over	522	2.30	225	.99	297	1.31
All Classes	22743	100.00	11046	48.57	11697	51.43

*U.S. Census of Population, 1970. Mississippi Census Summary
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TABLE XXIII
 AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION,
 BY NUMBER AND PERCENT, FOR THE OTHER RACE
 POPULATION OF HARRISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*

AGE GROUP	TOTAL		MALE		FEMALE	
	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent
Under 5	73	9.38	41	5.27	32	4.11
5-9	68	8.74	34	4.37	34	4.37
10-14	68	8.74	34	4.37	34	4.37
15-19	125	16.07	97	12.47	28	3.60
20-24	145	18.64	110	14.14	35	4.50
25-29	70	9.00	30	3.86	40	5.14
30-34	67	8.61	27	3.47	40	5.14
35-39	65	8.35	18	2.31	47	6.04
40-44	32	4.11	5	.64	27	3.47
45-49	12	1.54	5	.64	7	.90
50-54	7	.90	3	.39	4	.51
55-59	7	.90	4	.51	3	.39
60-64	6	.77	3	.39	3	.39
65-69	13	1.67	4	.51	9	1.16
70-74	7	.90	3	.39	4	.51
75 & Over	13	1.67	11	1.41	2	.26
All Classes	778	99.99	429	55.14	349	44.86

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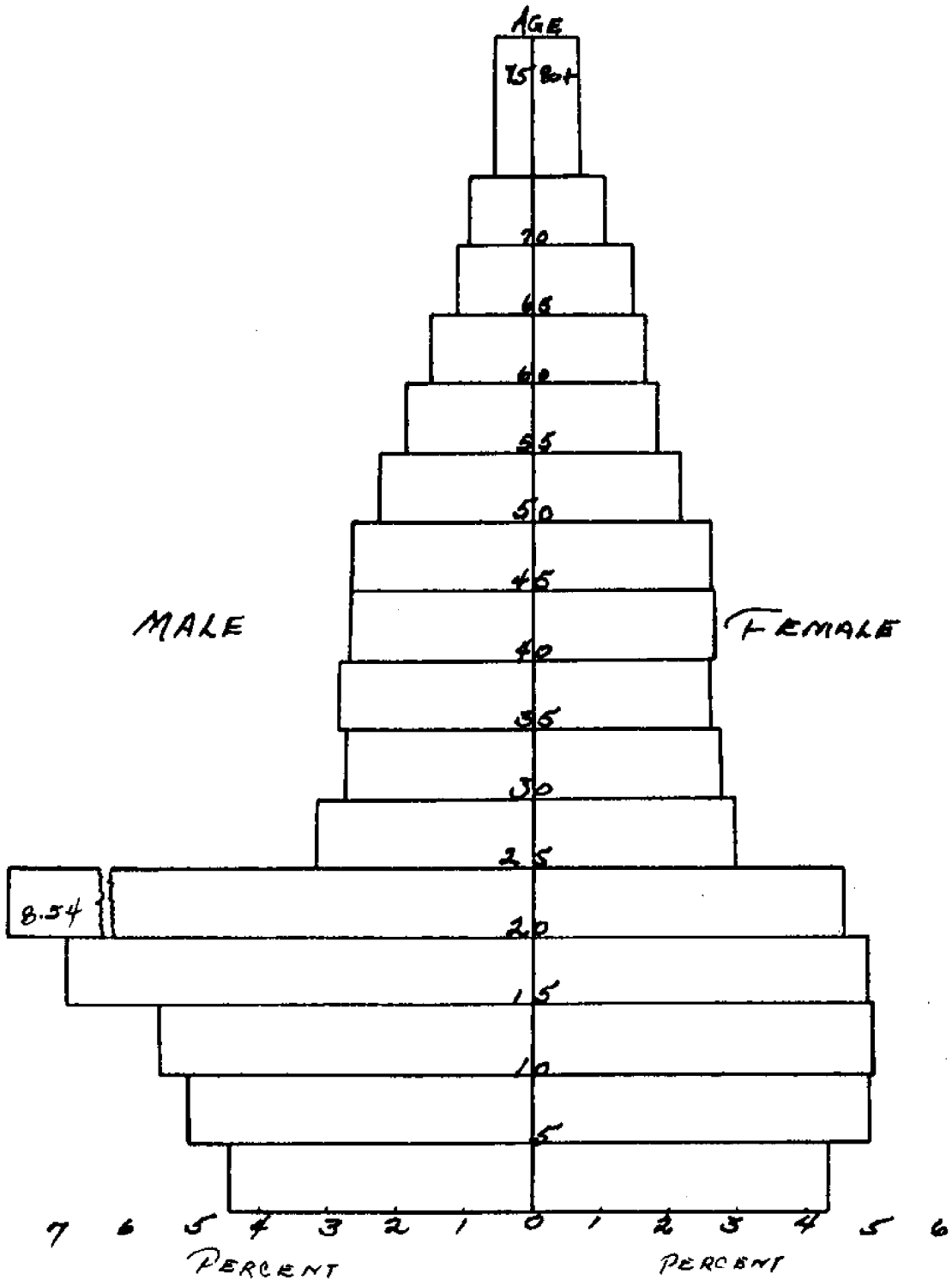
TABLE XXIV
 AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION,
 BY NUMBER AND PERCENT, FOR THE TOTAL URBAN
 POPULATION OF HARRISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*

AGE GROUP	TOTAL		MALE		FEMALE	
	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent
Under 5	9792	8.77	4958	4.44	4834	4.33
5-9	11085	9.93	5612	5.02	5473	4.90
10-14	11692	10.47	6070	5.43	5622	5.03
15-19	13091	11.72	7648	6.85	5443	4.87
20-24	14635	13.10	9542	8.54	5093	4.56
25-29	6830	6.12	3440	3.08	3390	3.04
30-34	6151	5.51	3009	2.69	3142	2.81
35-39	6096	5.46	3143	2.81	2953	2.64
40-44	5905	5.29	2893	2.59	3012	2.70
45-49	5870	5.26	2913	2.61	2957	2.65
50-54	4935	4.42	2504	2.24	2431	2.18
55-59	4128	3.70	2055	1.84	2073	1.86
60-64	3584	3.21	1655	1.48	1929	1.73
65-69	2883	2.58	1227	1.10	1656	1.48
70-74	2234	2.00	1017	.91	1217	1.09
75 & Over	2773	2.48	1258	1.13	1515	1.36
All Classes	111684	100.02	58944	52.76	52740	47.23

*United States Census of Population, 1970. Mississippi. From Computer Tapes. Processed at the Mississippi Census Summary Tape Center, Mississippi State University. Summary Level 46.

FIGURE 16

POPULATION PYRAMID DISPLAYING
THE AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION OF THE TOTAL URBAN
POPULATION OF HARRISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*



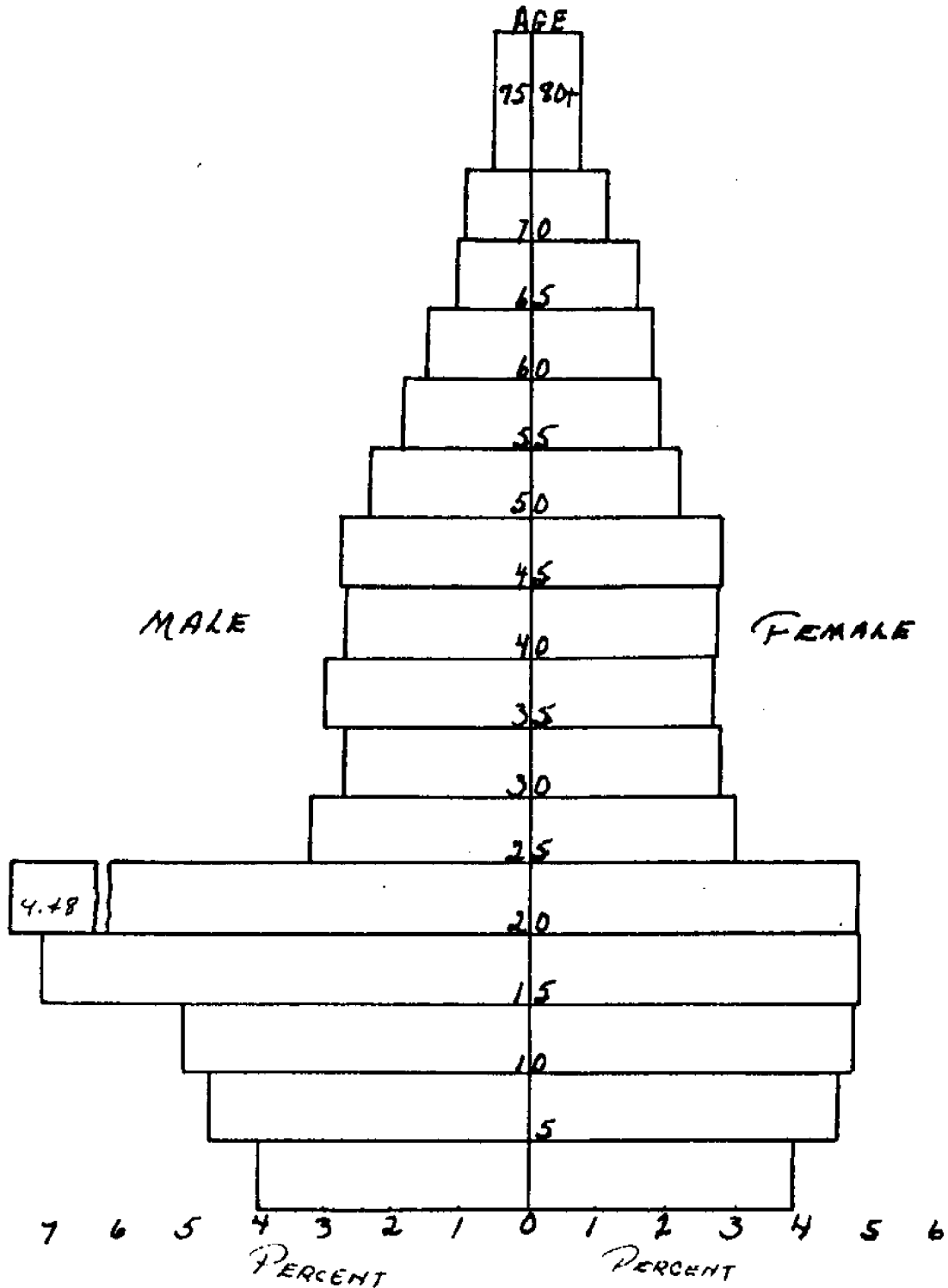
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TABLE XXV
 AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION,
 BY NUMBER AND PERCENT, FOR THE URBAN WHITE
 POPULATION OF HARRISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*

AGE GROUP	TOTAL		MALE		FEMALE	
	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent
Under 5	7032	7.86	3589	4.01	3443	3.85
5-9	8176	9.14	4175	4.67	4001	4.47
10-14	8734	9.77	4554	5.09	4180	4.67
15-19	10620	11.88	6345	7.10	4275	4.78
20-24	12735	14.24	8481	9.48	4254	4.76
25-29	5522	6.18	2847	3.18	2675	2.99
30-34	4892	5.47	2426	2.71	2466	2.76
35-39	5035	5.63	2656	2.97	2379	2.66
40-44	4850	5.42	2441	2.73	2409	2.69
45-49	4949	5.53	2465	2.76	2484	2.78
50-54	4074	4.56	2107	2.36	1967	2.20
55-59	3341	3.74	1681	1.88	1660	1.86
60-64	2946	3.29	1370	1.53	1576	1.76
65-69	2343	2.62	1014	1.13	1329	1.49
70-74	1889	2.11	877	.98	1012	1.13
75 & Over	2279	2.55	1040	1.16	1239	1.39
All Classes	89417	99.99	48068	53.74	41349	46.24

*U.S. Census of Population, 1970. Mississippi Census Summary
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FIGURE 17
 POPULATION PYRAMID DISPLAYING
 THE AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION OF THE URBAN WHITE
 POPULATION OF HARRISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*



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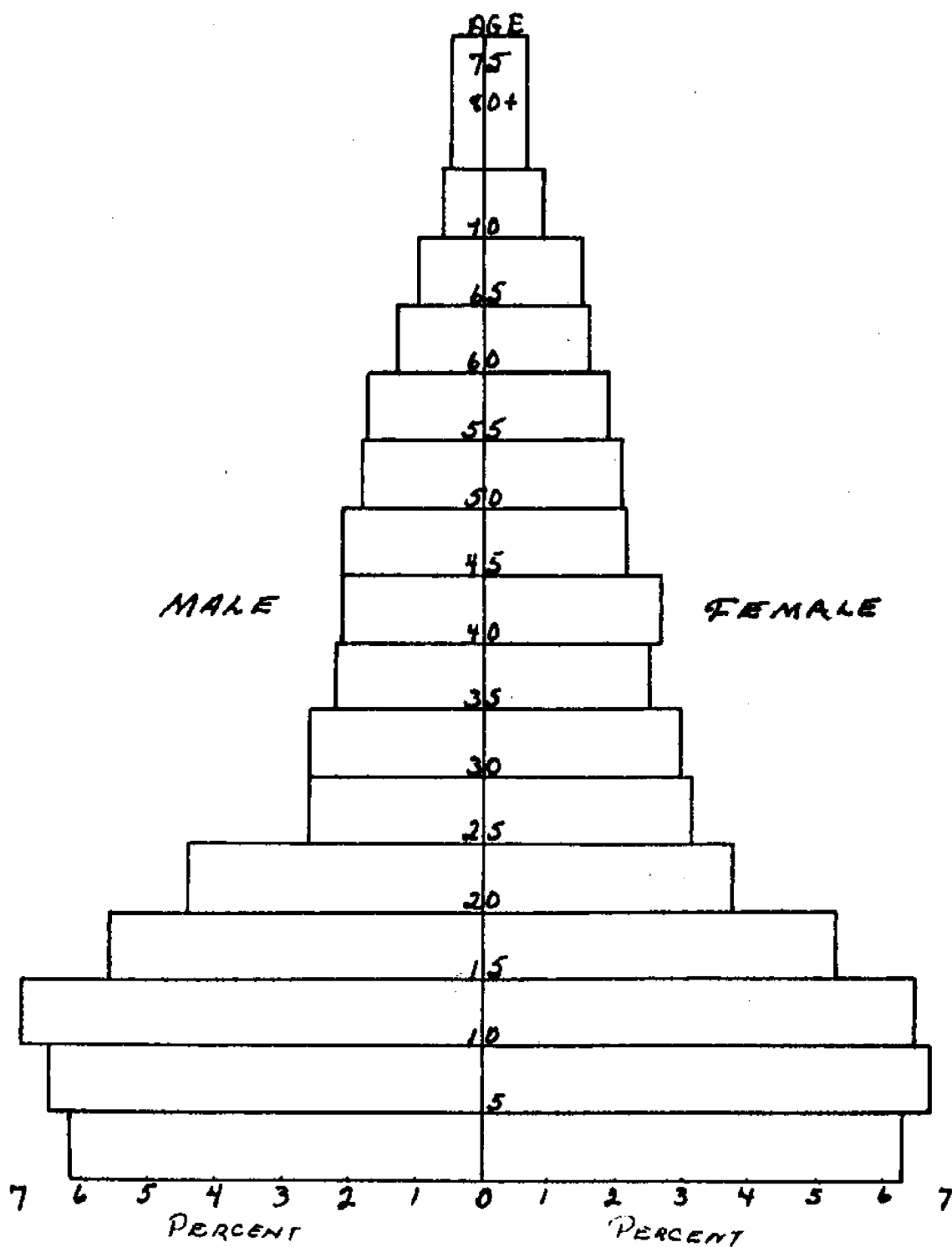
TABLE XXVI
 AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION,
 BY NUMBER AND PERCENT, FOR THE URBAN NEGRO
 POPULATION OF HARRISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*

AGE GROUP	TOTAL		MALE		FEMALE	
	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent
Under 5	2694	12.51	1333	6.19	1361	6.32
5-9	2848	13.22	1405	6.52	1443	6.70
10-14	2893	13.43	1484	6.89	1409	6.54
15-19	2351	10.91	1208	5.61	1143	5.31
20-24	1760	8.17	952	4.42	808	3.75
25-29	1244	5.77	565	2.62	679	3.15
30-34	1199	5.57	557	2.59	642	2.98
35-39	1004	4.66	471	2.19	533	2.47
40-44	1024	4.75	448	2.08	576	2.67
45-49	912	4.23	445	2.07	467	2.17
50-54	854	3.96	394	1.83	460	2.14
55-59	780	3.62	370	1.72	410	1.90
60-64	632	2.93	282	1.31	350	1.62
65-69	529	2.46	210	.97	319	1.48
70-74	338	1.57	137	.64	201	.93
75 & Over	481	2.23	207	.96	274	1.27
All Classes	21543	99.99	10468	48.61	11075	51.40

*U.S. Census of Population, 1970. Mississippi Census Summary
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FIGURE 18

POPULATION PYRAMID DISPLAYING
THE AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION OF THE URBAN NEGRO
POPULATION OF HARRISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*



*Plotted from data contained in Table XXVI.

TABLE XXVII
 AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION,
 BY NUMBER AND PERCENT, FOR THE URBAN OTHER
 RACE POPULATION OF HARRISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*

AGE GROUP	TOTAL		MALE		FEMALE	
	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent
Under 5	66	9.12	36	4.97	30	4.14
5-9	61	8.43	32	4.42	29	4.01
10-14	65	8.98	32	4.42	33	4.56
15-19	120	16.57	95	13.12	25	3.45
20-24	140	19.34	109	15.06	31	4.28
25-29	64	8.84	28	3.87	36	4.97
30-34	60	8.29	26	3.59	34	4.70
35-39	57	7.87	16	2.21	41	5.66
40-44	31	4.28	4	.55	27	3.73
45-49	9	1.24	3	.41	6	.83
50-54	7	.97	3	.41	4	.55
55-59	7	.97	4	.55	3	.41
60-64	6	.83	3	.41	3	.41
65-69	11	1.52	3	.41	8	1.10
70-74	7	.97	3	.41	4	.55
75 & Over	13	1.80	11	1.52	2	.28
All Classes	724	100.02	408	56.33	316	43.63

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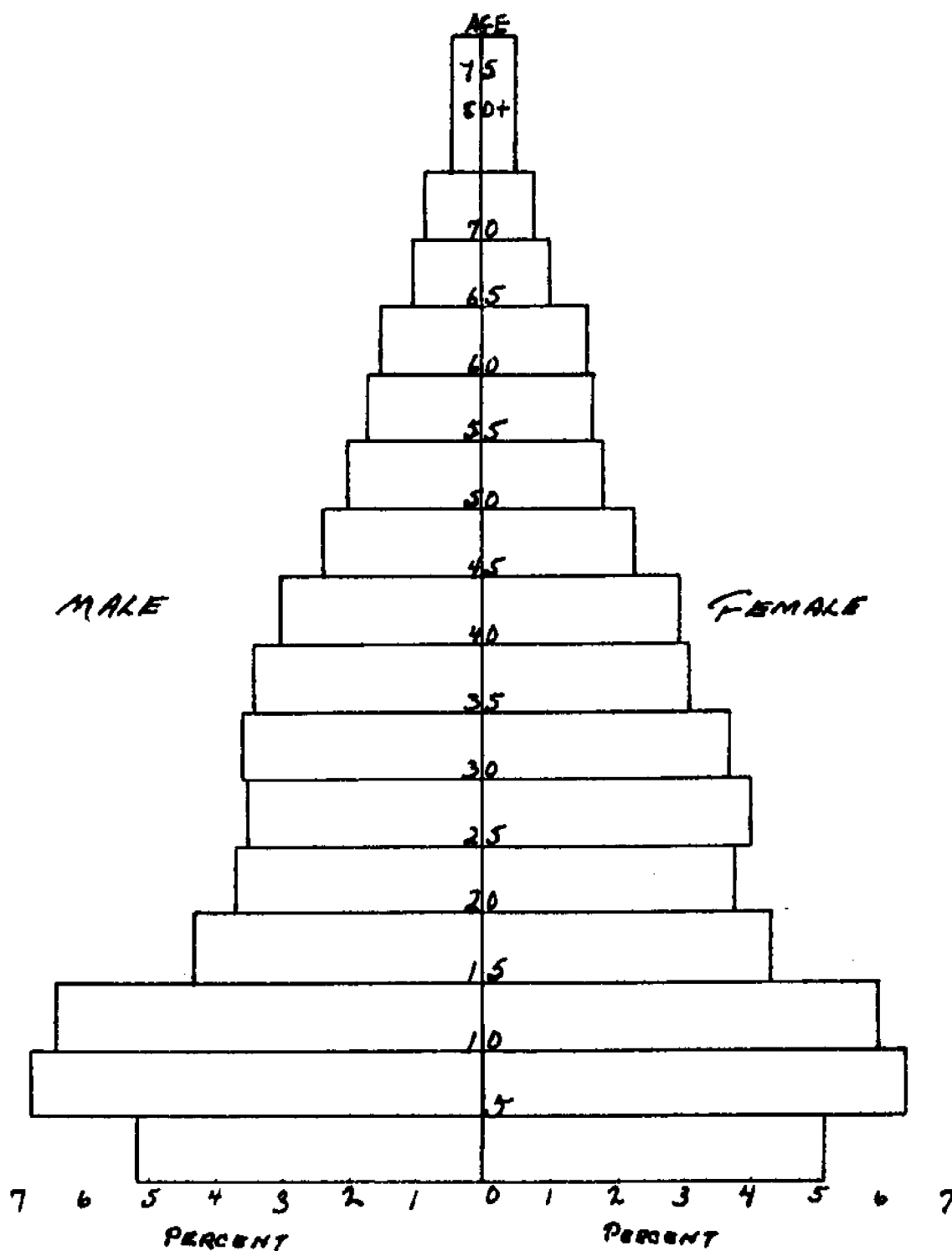
TABLE XXVIII
 AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION,
 BY NUMBER AND PERCENT, FOR THE TOTAL RURAL
 POPULATION OF HARRISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*

AGE GROUP	TOTAL		MALE		FEMALE	
	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent
Under 5	2358	10.30	1191	5.20	1167	5.10
5-9	2993	13.07	1549	6.76	1444	6.31
10-14	2819	12.31	1470	6.42	1349	5.89
15-19	1995	8.71	997	4.35	998	4.36
20-24	1725	7.53	849	3.71	876	3.83
25-29	1738	7.59	816	3.56	922	4.03
30-34	1682	7.35	832	3.63	850	3.71
35-39	1496	6.63	788	3.44	708	3.09
40-44	1375	6.00	697	3.04	678	2.96
45-49	1076	4.70	547	2.39	529	2.31
50-54	891	3.89	469	2.05	422	1.84
55-59	766	3.35	384	1.68	382	1.67
60-64	714	3.12	352	1.54	362	1.58
65-69	468	2.04	233	1.02	235	1.03
70-74	380	1.66	187	.82	193	.84
75 & Over	422	1.84	195	.85	227	.99
All Classes	22898	99.99	11556	50.46	11342	49.54

*United States Census of Population, 1970. Mississippi. From Computer Tapes. Processed at the Mississippi Census Summary Tape Center. Mississippi State University. Summary Level 46.

FIGURE 19

POPULATION PYRAMID DISPLAYING
THE AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION OF THE TOTAL RURAL
POPULATION OF HARRISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*



*Plotted from data contained in Table XXVIII

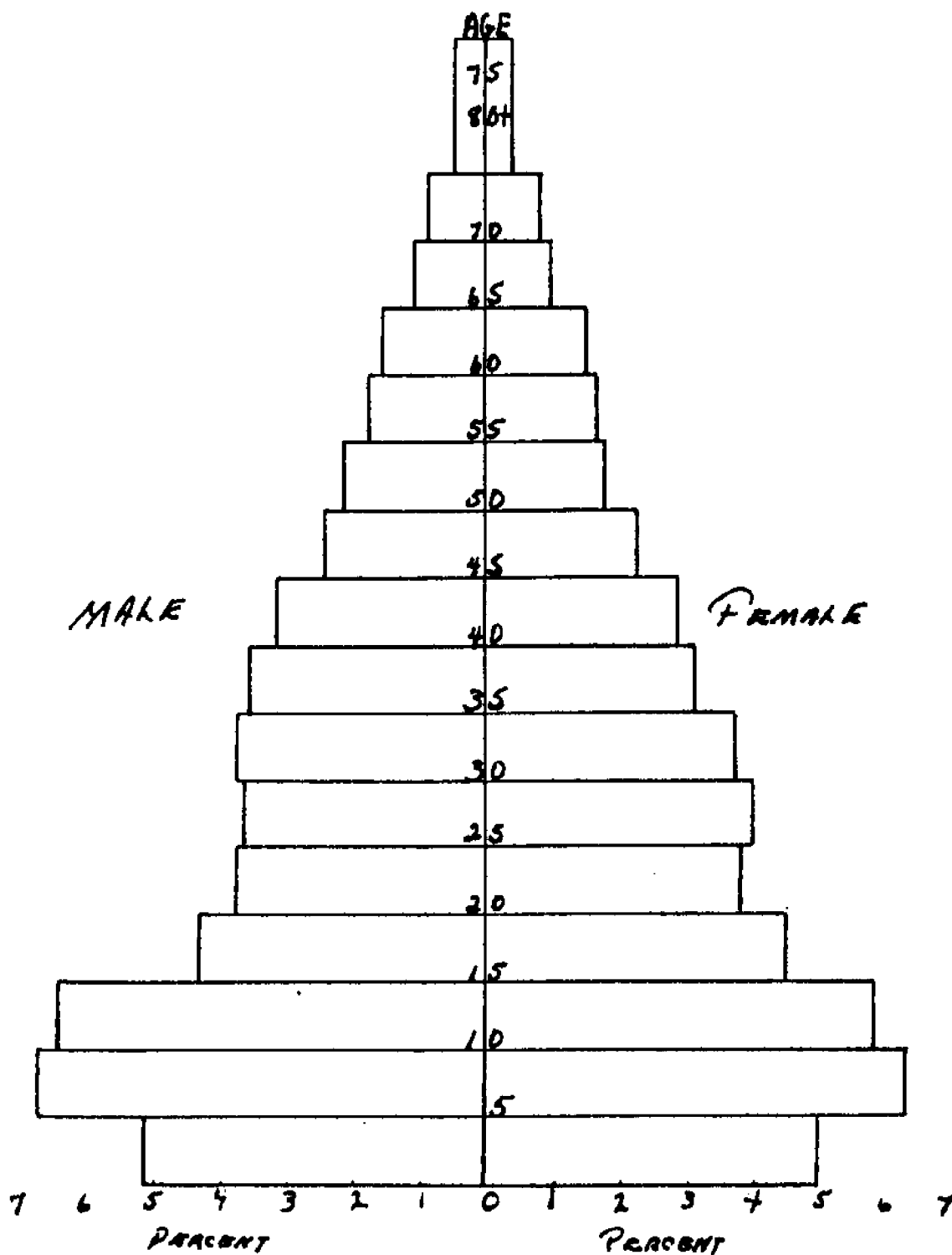
TABLE XXIX
 AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION,
 BY NUMBER AND PERCENT, FOR THE RURAL WHITE
 POPULATION OF HARRISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*

AGE GROUP	TOTAL		MALE		FEMALE	
	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent
Under 5	2196	10.15	1114	5.15	1082	5.00
5-9	2817	13.02	1458	6.74	1359	6.28
10-14	2642	12.21	1381	6.38	1261	5.83
15-19	1868	8.63	936	4.32	932	4.31
20-24	1645	7.60	811	3.75	834	3.85
25-29	1651	7.63	777	3.59	874	4.04
30-34	1626	7.51	810	3.74	816	3.77
35-39	1453	6.71	768	3.55	685	3.16
40-44	1304	6.02	667	3.08	637	2.94
45-49	1027	4.74	523	2.42	504	2.33
50-54	842	3.89	448	2.07	394	1.82
55-59	729	3.37	366	1.69	363	1.68
60-64	666	3.08	328	1.52	338	1.56
65-69	438	2.02	217	1.00	221	1.02
70-74	359	1.66	176	.81	183	.85
75 & Over	381	1.76	177	.82	204	.94
All Classes	21644	100.00	10957	50.63	10687	49.38

*U.S. Census of Population, 1970. Mississippi Census Summary Tape Center, Summary Level 46.

FIGURE 20

POPULATION PYRAMID DISPLAYING
THE AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION OF THE RURAL WHITE
POPULATION OF HARRISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*



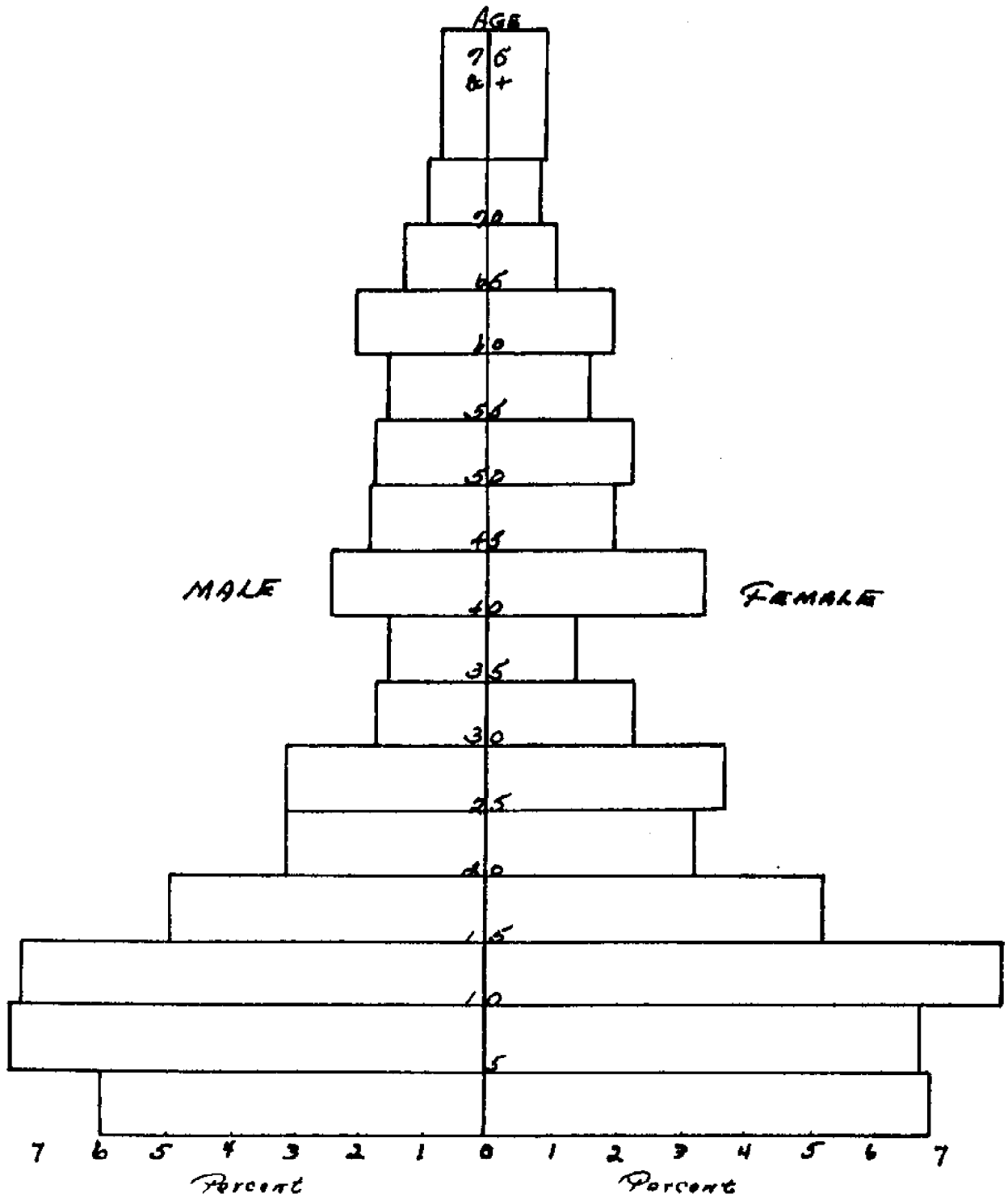
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TABLE XXX
 AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION,
 BY NUMBER AND PERCENT, FOR THE RURAL NEGRO
 POPULATION OF HARRISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*

AGE GROUP	TOTAL		MALE		FEMALE	
	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent
Under 5	155	12.92	72	6.00	83	6.92
5-9	169	14.08	89	7.42	80	6.67
10-14	174	14.50	87	7.25	87	7.25
15-19	122	10.17	59	4.92	63	5.25
20-24	75	6.25	37	3.08	38	3.17
25-29	81	6.75	37	3.08	44	3.67
30-34	49	4.08	21	1.75	28	2.33
35-39	35	2.92	18	1.50	17	1.42
40-44	70	5.83	29	2.42	41	3.42
45-49	46	3.83	22	1.83	24	2.00
50-54	49	4.08	21	1.75	28	2.33
55-59	37	3.08	18	1.50	19	1.58
60-64	48	4.00	24	2.00	24	2.00
65-69	28	2.33	15	1.25	13	1.08
70-74	21	1.75	11	.92	10	.83
75 & Over	41	3.42	18	1.50	23	1.92
All Classes	1200	99.99	578	48.17	622	51.84

*U.S. Census of Population, 1970. Mississippi Census Summary Tape Center, Summary Level 46.

FIGURE 21
 POPULATION PYRAMID DISPLAYING
 THE AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION OF THE RURAL NEGRO
 POPULATION OF HARRISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*



*Plotted from data contained in Table XXX.

TABLE XXXI
AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION
BY NUMBER AND PERCENT, FOR THE RURAL OTHER RACES
POPULATION OF HARRISON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*

AGE GROUP	TOTAL		MALE		FEMALE	
	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent
Under 5	7	12.96	5	9.26	2	3.70
5-9	7	12.96	2	3.70	5	9.26
10-14	3	5.56	2	3.70	1	1.85
15-19	5	9.26	2	3.70	3	5.56
20-24	5	9.26	1	1.85	4	7.41
25-29	6	11.11	2	3.70	4	7.41
30-34	7	12.96	1	1.85	6	11.11
35-39	8	14.81	2	3.70	6	11.11
40-44	1	1.85	1	1.85	0	.00
45-49	3	5.56	2	3.70	1	1.85
50-54	0	.00	0	.00	0	.00
55-59	0	.00	0	.00	0	.00
60-64	0	.00	0	.00	0	.00
65-69	2	3.70	1	1.85	1	1.85
70-74	0	.00	0	.00	0	.00
75 & Over	0	.00	0	.00	0	.00
All Classes	54	99.99	21	38.86	33	61.11

*U.S. Census of Population, 1970. Mississippi. Census Summary Tape Center, Summary Level 46.

Among non-whites, females outnumber males in all age categories except ten to twenty-four and even there the difference is not great. The large school age cohort continues to be evident for both major races with proportionately larger child cohorts for Negroes.

The excess of males in urban Harrison County is pronounced and rather atypical of what is generally the case for medium sized urban populations (Table XXIV). In a urban cohort of 111,684, 52.7 percent were male and 47.2 were female. Whites in the urban areas had an even higher sex ratio, 53.7 male and 46.2 female (Table XXV). The greatest differences in the balances of the sexes is the 15-19 and 20-24 ages, especially the latter and the Keesler Base may have its influence here but even in the younger ages males are significantly more numerous for both races.

In rural Harrison (22,898) the imbalance of the sexes is much less with males and females being almost equally represented in this residential category. The largest rural age group was for persons 5-9 followed by the 10-14 group. The under five population was significantly smaller in the rural county than that of the 5-9 ages. The differences are clearly evident in the pyramid displayed in figure 19.

Jackson County. Jackson County presents a more nearly "normal" (expected) configuration of population composition. Despite the presence of heavy industry in Jackson County, females are in a very slight majority, 50.1 percent to 49.9 percent. Males are more numerous in all ages under 15, and in ages 35-44, and 50-64 (Table XXXII). Note the various relationships of the ages and sexes as revealed in Figure 22. The 0-5 cohort is somewhat smaller than the 5-9 group but less so than in several of the other groups noted. The decrease in the size of the 15-19 group catches the eye,

as does smallness of the size of the male cohort 20-24. This loss is recovered, and exceeded, in ages 25-29.

Only 4.85 percent of Jackson County's total population is over 65. Which is only about half the national and state figures. This comes as something of a surprise for a county so favorably situated as Jackson County. It obviously does not take on the "retirement colony" aspects that so often characterize coastal counties in a mild climate zone.

The non-white population (14,428) of the county has a steep population pyramid with a broad base. This reveals a high proportion of children and youth and as small proportion of elders. Slightly over fifty-two percent of the total non-white (virtually the same as Negro) population is under 20 years, while only 4.6 percent are over 65. Children 10-14 are over three times more numerous than persons 45-49. The low ratio of adults to children is a striking feature of the composition of the non-white population segment of the county.

The urban population of Jackson County was 62,672 (Table XXXVII) as of April 1, 1970. The pyramid plotted from these data do not show any strikingly unusual features. A slowing of births is indicated as is a loss of persons 15-24 years of age, and more so for males than females. This is most pronounced for males 20-24. After age thirty the distribution is conventional but rather more regular than typical of urban areas. The urban black population has a population distribution similar to that for the county. The increase of males 50-54 is an irregularity that is not duplicated by any other age group.

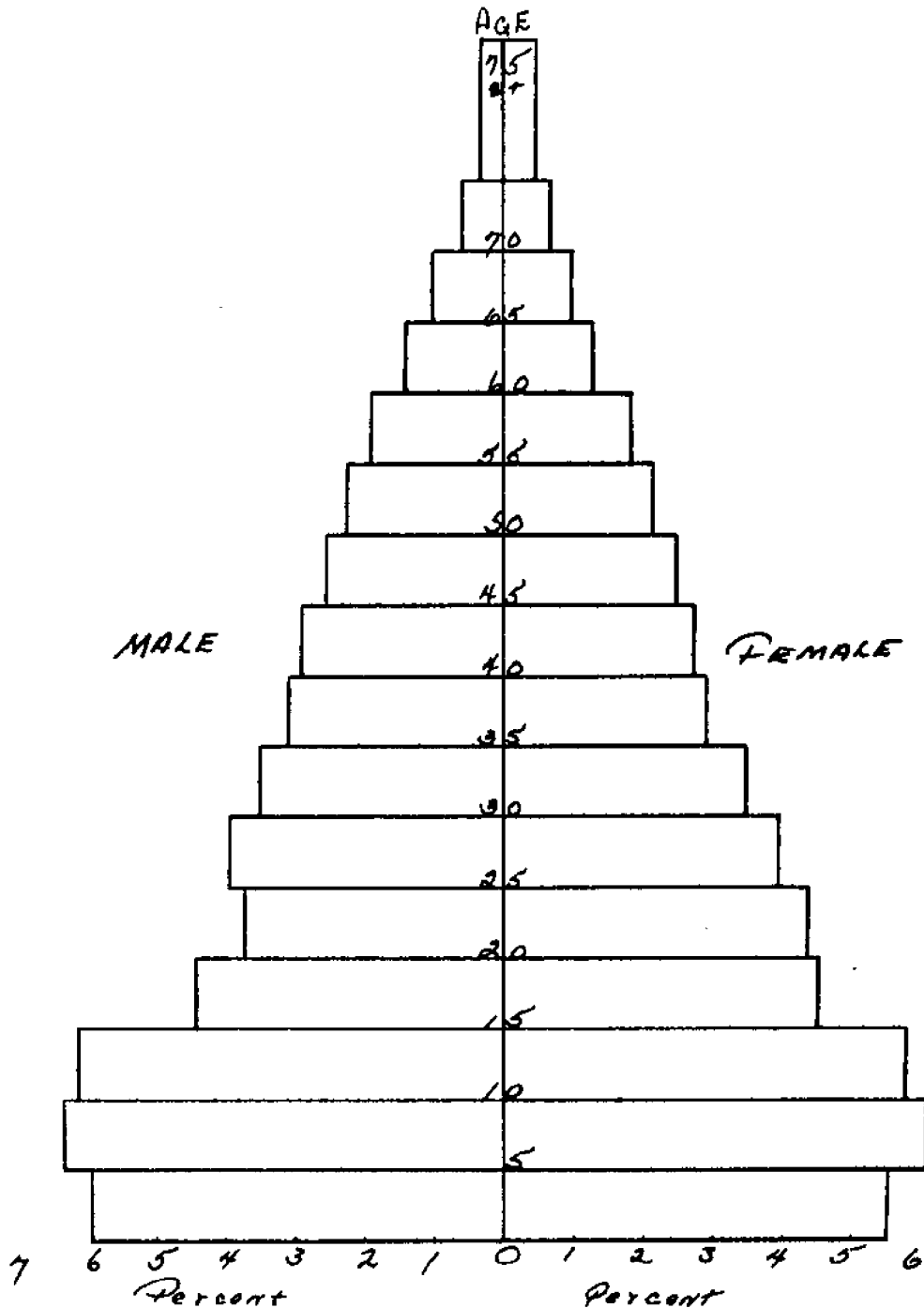
The composition of the rural population of the county does not depart drastically from the patterns observed in other demographic segments of the

TABLE XXXII
 AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION,
 BY NUMBER AND PERCENT FOR THE TOTAL
 POPULATION OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*

AGE GROUP	TOTAL		MALE		FEMALE	
	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent
Under 5	10060	11.44	5174	5.88	4886	5.55
5-9	10891	12.38	5534	6.29	5357	6.09
10-14	10457	11.89	5379	6.11	5078	5.77
15-19	7865	8.94	3890	4.42	3975	4.52
20-24	7186	8.17	3282	3.73	3904	4.44
25-29	6917	7.86	3439	3.91	3478	3.95
30-34	6072	6.90	3012	3.42	3060	3.48
35-39	5225	5.94	2662	3.03	2563	2.91
40-44	4948	5.62	2517	2.86	2431	2.76
45-49	4467	5.08	2213	2.52	2254	2.56
50-54	3895	4.43	1981	2.25	1914	2.18
55-59	3314	3.77	1693	1.92	1621	1.84
60-64	2405	2.73	1209	1.37	1196	1.36
65-69	1702	1.93	844	.96	858	.98
70-74	1103	1.25	489	.56	614	.70
75 & over	1468	1.67	580	.66	888	1.01
All classes	87975	100.00	43898	49.89	44077	50.10

*United States Census of Population, 1970. Mississippi. From Computer Tapes. Processed at the Mississippi Census Summary Tape Center, Mississippi State University. Summary Level 0.

FIGURE 22
 POPULATION PYRAMID DISPLAYING
 THE AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION OF THE TOTAL
 POPULATION OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*



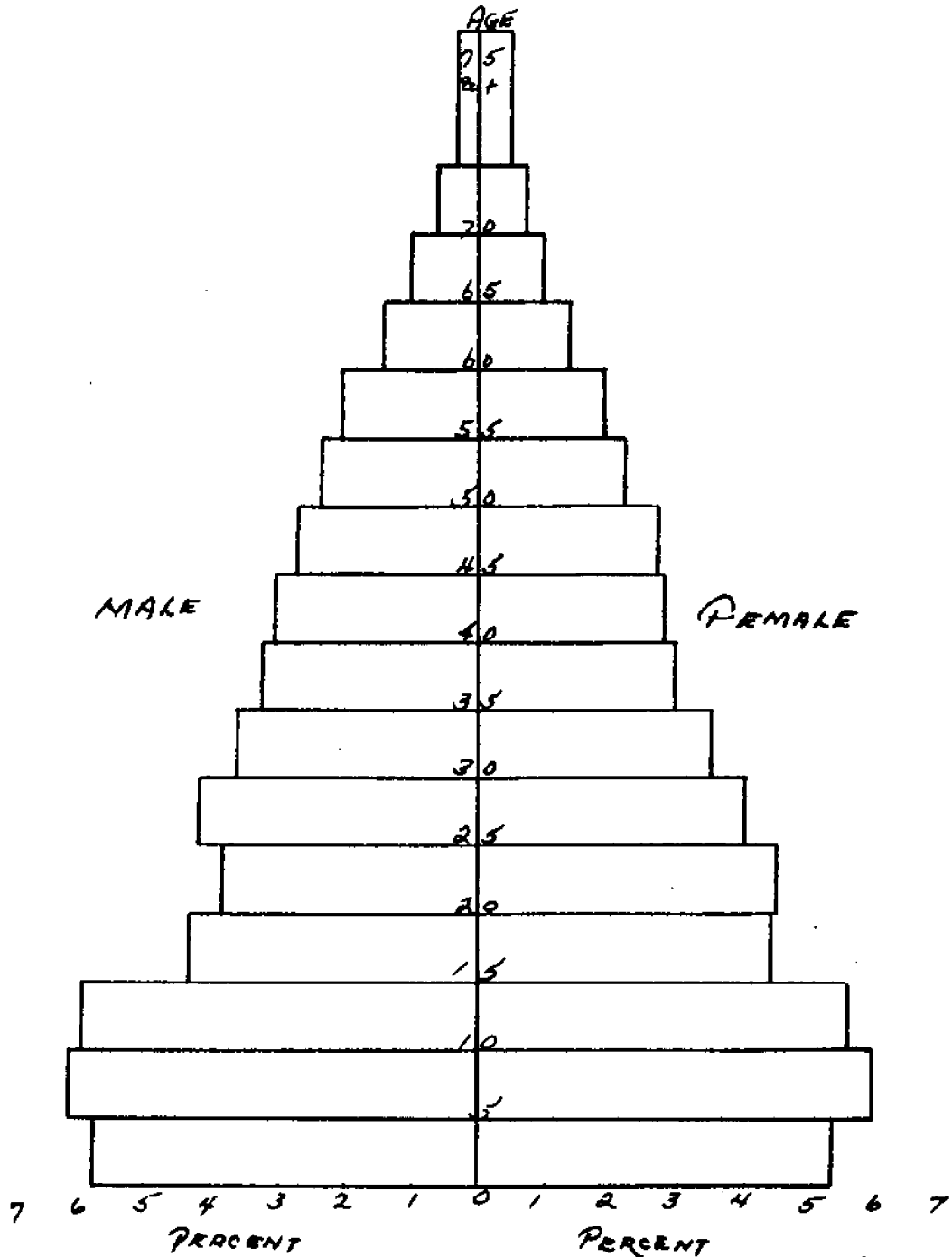
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TABLE XXXIII
 AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION,
 BY NUMBER AND PERCENT, FOR THE WHITE
 POPULATION OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*

AGE GROUP	TOTAL		MALE		FEMALE	
	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent
Under 5	8098	11.01	4176	5.68	3922	5.33
5-9	8867	12.06	4505	6.13	4362	5.93
10-14	8396	11.42	4337	5.90	4059	5.52
15-19	6349	8.63	3145	4.28	3204	4.36
20-24	6077	8.26	2787	3.79	3290	4.47
25-29	5972	8.12	3003	4.08	2969	4.04
30-34	5224	7.10	2616	3.55	2608	3.55
35-39	4529	6.16	2338	3.18	2191	2.98
40-44	4283	5.82	2217	3.01	2066	2.81
45-49	3914	5.32	1952	2.65	1962	2.67
50-54	3328	4.52	1699	2.31	1629	2.21
55-59	2869	3.90	1484	2.02	1385	1.88
60-64	2037	2.77	1019	1.39	1018	1.38
65-69	1424	1.94	709	.96	715	.97
70-74	938	1.28	417	.57	521	.71
75 & over	1242	1.69	487	.66	755	1.03
All classes	73547	100.00	36891	50.18	36656	49.83

*United States Census of Population, 1970. Mississippi Census Summary Tape Center, Summary Level 0.

FIGURE 23
 POPULATION PYRAMID DISPLAYING
 THE AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION OF THE WHITE
 POPULATION OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*



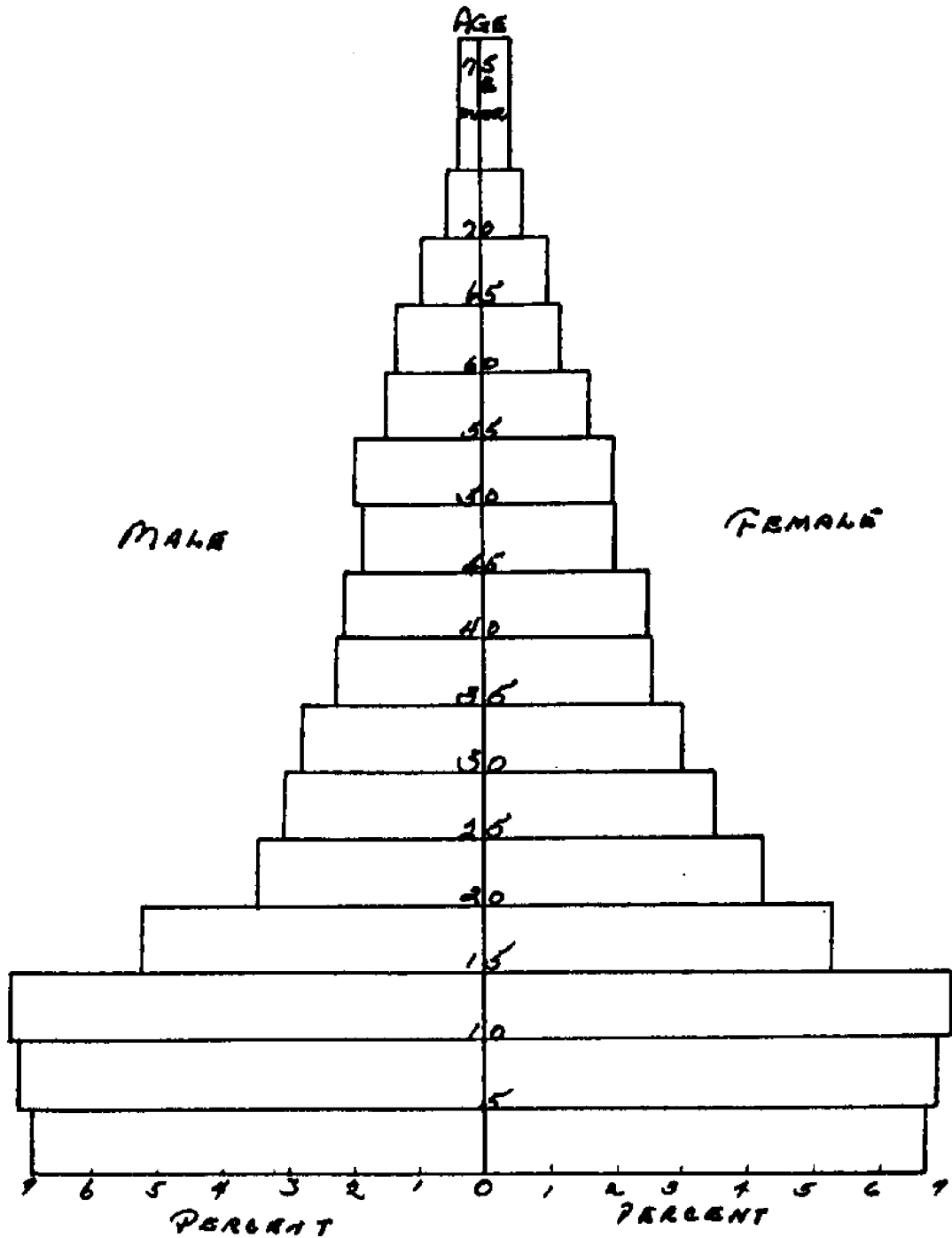
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TABLE XXXIV
 AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION
 BY NUMBER AND PERCENT, FOR THE NON-WHITE
 POPULATION OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*

AGE GROUP	TOTAL		MALE		FEMALE	
	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent
Under 5	1962	13.60	998	6.92	964	6.68
5-9	2024	14.03	1029	7.13	995	6.90
10-14	2061	14.28	1042	7.22	1019	7.06
15-19	1516	10.50	745	5.16	717	5.34
20-24	1109	7.69	495	3.43	614	4.26
25-29	945	6.55	436	3.02	509	3.53
30-34	848	5.88	396	2.75	452	3.13
35-39	696	4.82	324	2.25	372	2.58
40-44	665	4.61	300	2.08	365	2.53
45-49	553	3.83	261	1.81	292	2.02
50-54	567	3.93	282	1.95	285	1.98
55-59	445	3.08	209	1.45	236	1.64
60-64	368	2.55	190	1.32	178	1.23
65-69	278	1.93	135	.94	143	.99
70-74	165	1.14	72	.50	93	.64
75 & over	226	1.57	93	.64	133	.92
All Classes	14428	100.00	7007	48.57	7421	51.43

*Calculated from U.S. Census of Population, 1970. Mississippi Census Summary Tape Center, Summary Level 0.

FIGURE 24
 POPULATION PYRAMID DISPLAYING
 THE AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION OF THE NON-WHITE
 POPULATION OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*



*Plotted from data contained in Table XXXIV.

TABLE XXXV
AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION,
BY NUMBER AND PERCENT, FOR THE NEGRO
POPULATION OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*

AGE GROUP	TOTAL		MALE		FEMALE	
	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent
Under 5	1940	13.61	989	6.94	951	6.67
5-9	2011	14.10	1021	7.16	990	6.94
10-14	2037	14.29	1031	7.23	1006	7.06
15-19	1505	10.55	742	5.20	763	5.35
20-24	1086	7.62	483	3.39	603	4.23
25-29	930	6.52	432	3.03	498	3.49
30-34	834	5.85	388	2.72	446	3.13
35-39	687	4.82	322	2.26	365	2.56
40-44	655	4.59	299	2.10	356	2.49
45-49	549	3.85	259	1.82	290	2.03
50-54	559	3.92	280	1.96	279	1.96
55-59	443	3.11	208	1.46	235	1.65
60-64	367	2.57	189	1.33	178	1.25
65-69	274	1.92	133	.93	141	.99
70-74	162	1.14	70	.49	92	.65
75 & over	219	1.54	86	.60	133	.93
All classes	14258	100.00	6932	48.62	7326	51.38

*U.S. Census Population, 1970. Mississippi Census Summary
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TABLE XXXVI
 AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION,
 BY NUMBER AND PERCENT, FOR THE OTHER RACE
 POPULATION OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*

AGE GROUP	TOTAL		MALE		FEMALE	
	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent
Under 5	22	12.94	9	5.29	13	7.65
5-9	13	7.64	8	4.70	5	2.94
10-14	24	14.12	11	6.47	13	7.65
15-19	11	6.47	3	1.76	8	4.70
20-24	23	13.53	12	7.06	11	6.47
25-29	15	8.82	4	2.35	11	6.47
30-34	14	8.24	8	4.70	6	3.53
35-39	9	5.29	2	1.18	7	4.11
40-44	10	5.88	1	.59	9	5.29
45-49	4	2.35	2	1.18	2	1.18
50-54	8	4.71	2	1.18	6	3.53
55-59	2	1.18	1	.59	1	.59
60-64	1	.59	1	.59	0	.00
65-69	4	2.35	2	1.18	2	1.18
70-74	3	1.77	2	1.18	1	.59
75 & over	7	4.12	7	4.11	0	.00
All Classes	170	100.00	75	44.11	95	55.87

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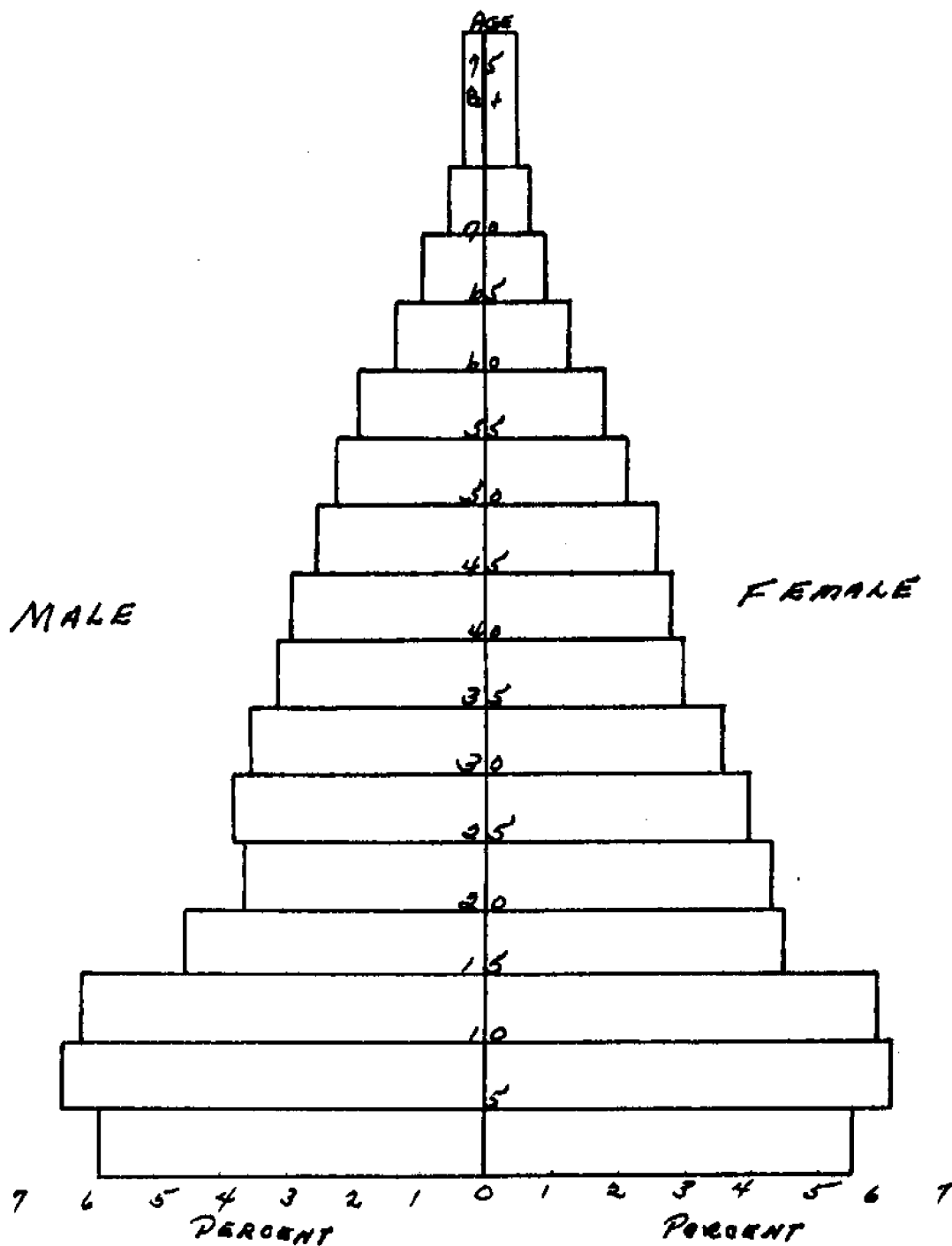
TABLE XXXVII
 AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION,
 BY NUMBER AND PERCENT, FOR THE TOTAL URBAN
 POPULATION OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*

AGE GROUP	TOTAL		MALE		FEMALE	
	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent
Under 5	7077	11.29	3639	5.80	3438	5.49
5-9	7808	12.46	3982	6.35	3826	6.10
10-14	7511	11.98	3808	6.07	3703	5.91
15-19	5681	9.06	2838	4.53	2843	4.54
20-24	4998	7.97	2277	3.63	2721	4.34
25-29	4878	7.78	2389	3.81	2489	3.97
30-34	4432	7.07	2186	3.49	2246	3.58
35-39	3815	6.09	1930	3.08	1885	3.01
40-44	3579	5.71	1801	2.87	1778	2.84
45-49	3208	5.12	1574	2.51	1634	2.61
50-54	2769	4.42	1389	2.23	1371	2.19
55-59	2311	3.69	1163	1.86	1148	1.83
60-64	1683	2.69	845	1.35	838	1.34
65-69	1157	1.85	556	.89	601	.96
70-74	726	1.16	304	.49	422	.67
75 & over	1039	1.66	398	.64	641	1.02
All Classes	62672	100.00	31088	49.60	31584	50.40

*United States Census of Population, 1970. Mississippi. From Computer Tapes. Processed at the Mississippi Census Summary Tape Center, Mississippi State University. Summary Level 46.

FIGURE 25

POPULATION PYRAMID DISPLAYING
THE AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION OF THE TOTAL URBAN
POPULATION OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*



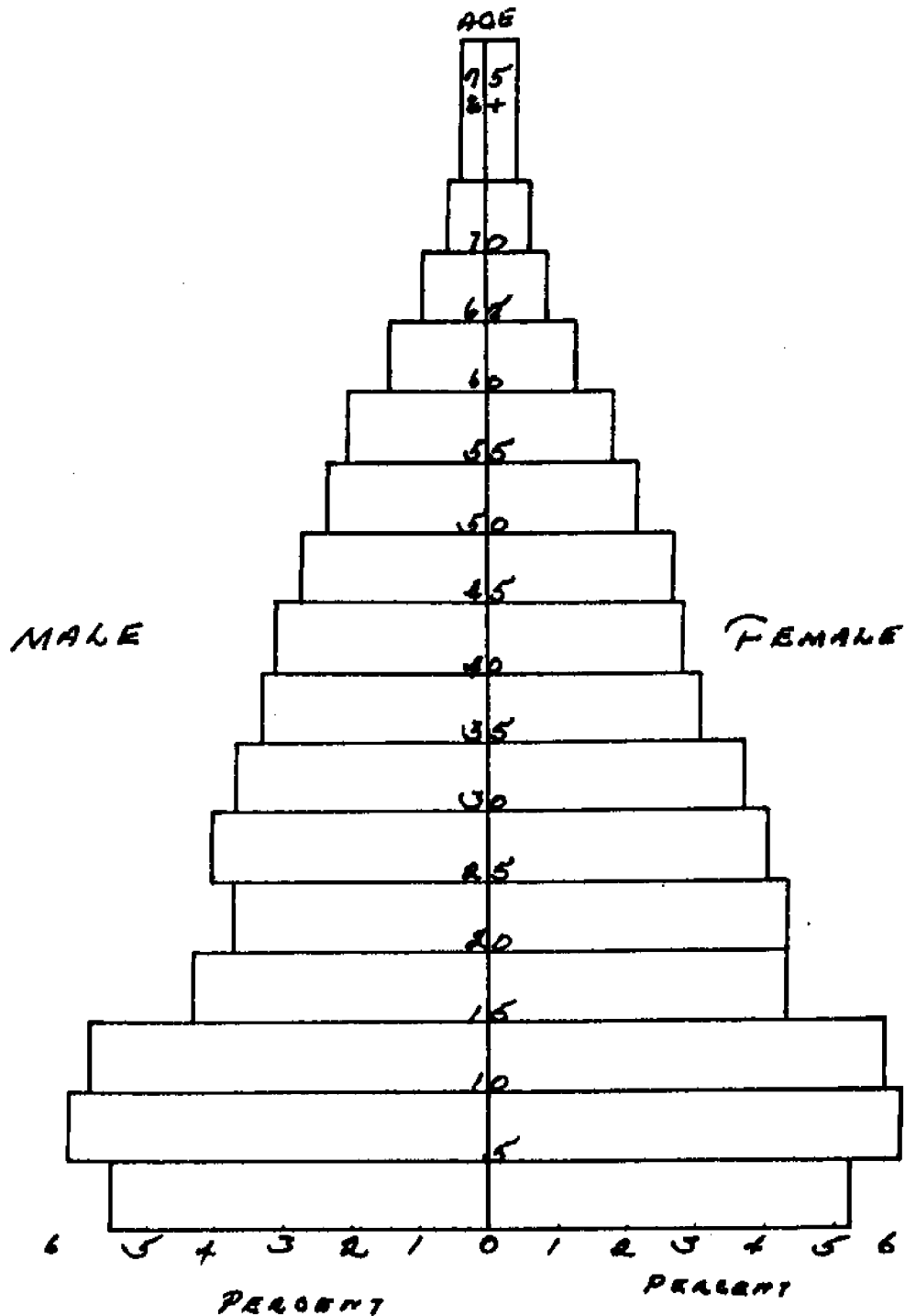
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TABLE XXXVIII
 AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION
 BY NUMBER AND PERCENT, FOR THE URBAN WHITE
 POPULATION OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*

AGE GROUP	TOTAL		MALE		FEMALE	
	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent
Under 5	5318	10.70	2738	5.51	2580	5.19
5-9	5994	12.06	3058	6.15	2936	5.91
10-14	5676	11.42	2877	5.79	2799	5.63
15-19	4307	8.66	2157	4.34	2150	4.33
20-24	3991	8.03	1829	3.68	2162	4.35
25-29	4017	8.08	1997	4.02	2020	4.06
30-34	3659	7.36	1819	3.66	1840	3.70
35-39	3194	6.42	1641	3.30	1553	3.12
40-44	2964	5.96	1523	3.06	1441	2.90
45-49	2711	5.45	1344	2.70	1367	2.75
50-54	2260	4.55	1142	2.30	1118	2.25
55-59	1919	3.86	977	1.97	942	1.89
60-64	1364	2.74	686	1.38	678	1.36
65-69	911	1.83	434	.87	477	.96
70-74	585	1.18	240	.48	345	.69
75 & over	847	1.70	318	.64	529	1.06
All classes	49717	100.00	24780	49.85	24937	50.15

*U.S. Census of Population, 1970. Mississippi Census Summary Tape Center, Summary Level 46.

FIGURE 26
 POPULATION PYRAMID DISPLAYING
 THE AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION OF THE URBAN
 WHITE POPULATION OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*



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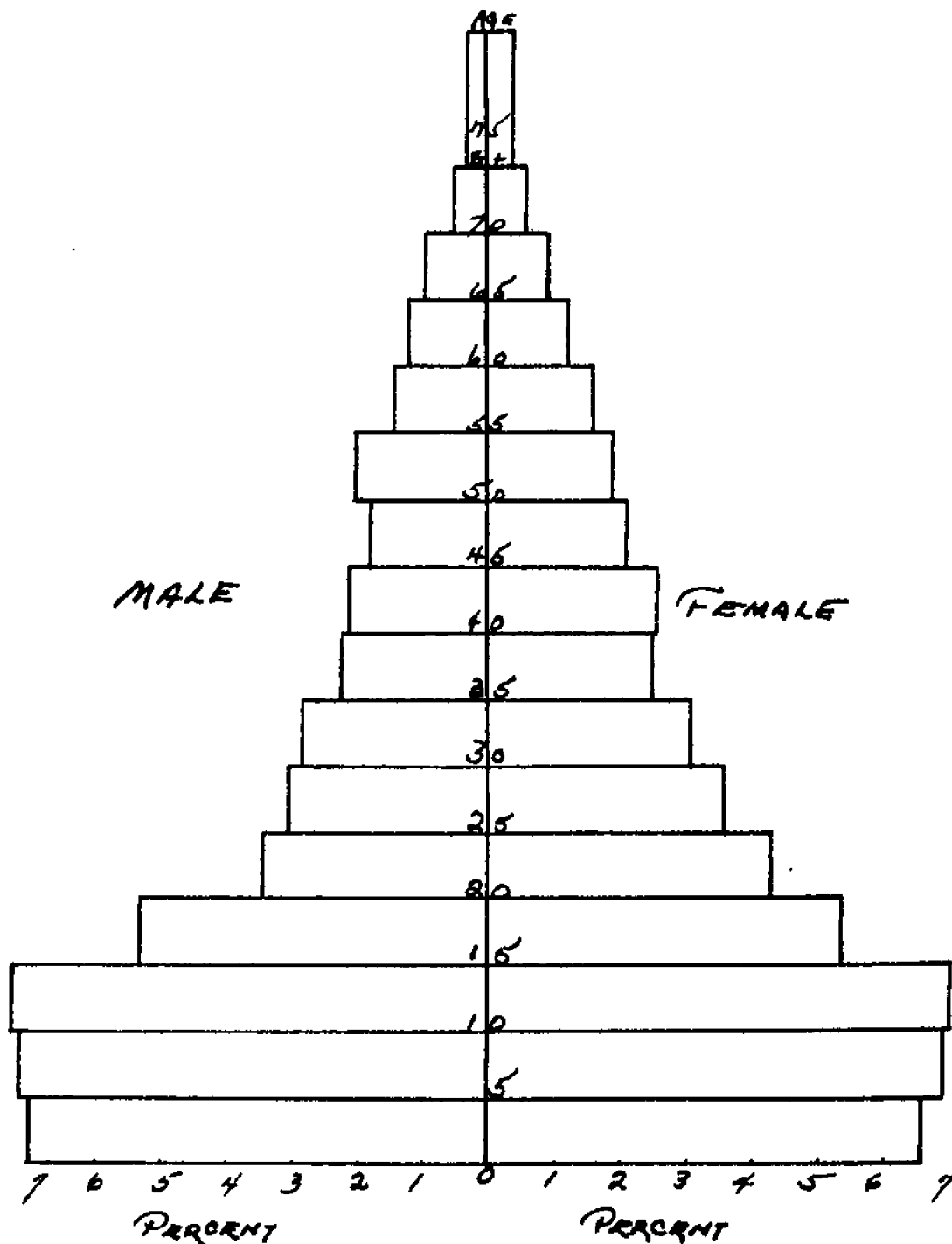
TABLE XXXIX
AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION
BY NUMBER AND PERCENT, FOR THE URBAN NEGRO
POPULATION OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*

AGE GROUP	TOTAL		MALE		FEMALE	
	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent
Under 5	1743	13.56	895	6.96	848	6.60
5-9	1805	14.04	919	7.15	886	6.89
10-14	1824	14.19	925	7.20	899	6.99
15-19	1369	10.65	679	5.28	690	5.37
20-24	994	7.73	441	3.43	553	4.30
25-29	853	6.64	391	3.04	462	3.59
30-34	767	5.97	365	2.84	402	3.13
35-39	616	4.79	287	2.23	329	2.56
40-44	607	4.72	277	2.15	330	2.57
45-49	496	3.86	229	1.78	267	2.08
50-54	502	3.90	254	1.98	248	1.93
55-59	391	3.04	186	1.45	205	1.59
60-64	318	2.47	158	1.23	160	1.24
65-69	244	1.90	122	.95	122	.95
70-74	140	1.09	64	.50	76	.59
76 & over	187	1.45	75	.58	112	.87
All classes	12856	100.00	6267	48.75	6589	51.25

*U.S. Census of Population, 1970. Mississippi Census Summary
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FIGURE 27

POPULATION PYRAMID DISPLAYING
THE AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION OF THE URBAN NEGRO
POPULATION OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*



*Plotted from data contained in Table XXXIX.

TABLE XL
AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION
BY NUMBER AND PERCENT, FOR THE OTHER RACE
POPULATION OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*

AGE GROUP	TOTAL		MALE		FEMALE	
	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent
Under 5	16	16.16	6	6.06	10	10.10
5-9	9	9.09	5	5.05	4	4.04
10-14	11	11.11	6	6.06	5	5.05
15-19	5	5.05	2	2.02	3	3.03
20-24	13	13.13	7	7.07	6	6.06
25-29	8	8.08	1	1.01	7	7.07
30-34	6	6.06	2	2.02	4	4.04
35-39	5	5.05	2	2.02	3	3.03
40-44	8	8.08	1	1.01	7	7.07
45-49	1	1.01	1	1.01	0	.00
50-54	7	7.07	2	2.02	5	5.05
55-59	1	1.01	0	.00	1	1.01
60-64	1	1.01	1	1.01	0	.00
65-69	2	2.02	0	.00	2	2.02
70-74	1	1.01	0	.00	1	1.01
75 & over	5	5.05	5	5.05	0	.00
All classes	99	99.99	41	41.41	58	58.58

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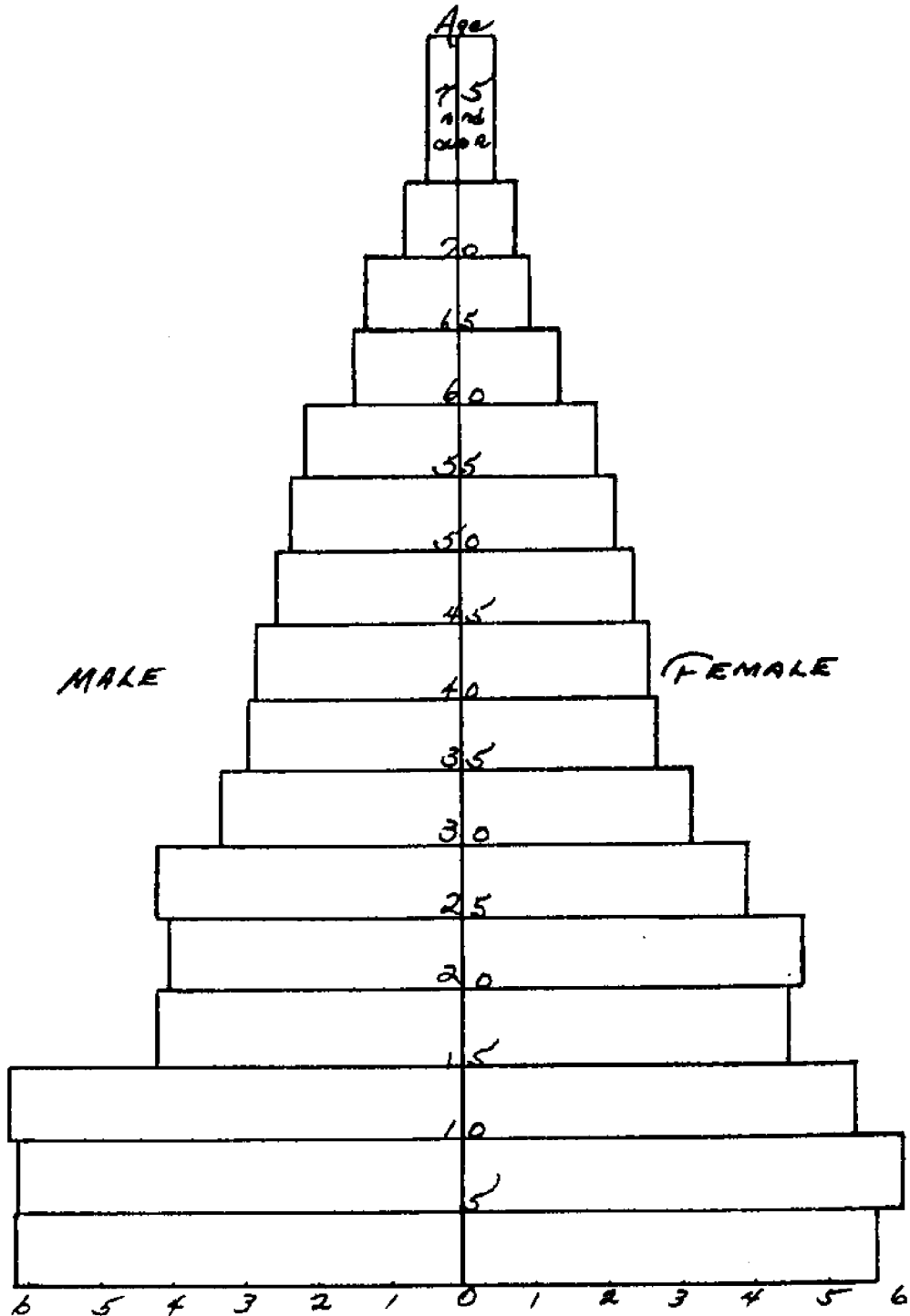
TABLE XLI
AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION
BY NUMBER AND PERCENT, FOR THE TOTAL RURAL
POPULATION OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*

AGE GROUP	TOTAL		MALE		FEMALE	
	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent
Under 5	2983	11.79	1535	6.07	1448	5.72
5-9	3083	12.18	1552	6.13	1531	6.05
10-14	2946	11.64	1571	6.21	1375	5.43
15-19	2184	8.63	1052	4.16	1132	4.47
20-24	2188	8.65	1005	3.97	1183	4.68
25-29	2039	8.06	1050	4.15	989	3.91
30-34	1640	6.48	826	3.26	814	3.22
35-39	1410	5.57	732	2.89	678	2.68
40-44	1369	5.41	716	2.83	653	2.58
45-49	1259	4.98	639	2.53	620	2.45
50-54	1126	4.45	583	2.30	543	2.15
55-59	1003	3.96	530	2.09	473	1.87
60-64	722	2.85	364	1.44	358	1.41
65-69	545	2.15	288	1.14	257	1.02
70-74	377	1.49	185	.73	192	.76
75 & over	429	1.70	182	.72	247	.98
All classes	25303	99.99	12810	50.62	12493	49.38

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FIGURE 28

POPULATION PYRAMID DISPLAYING
THE AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION OF THE TOTAL RURAL
POPULATION OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*



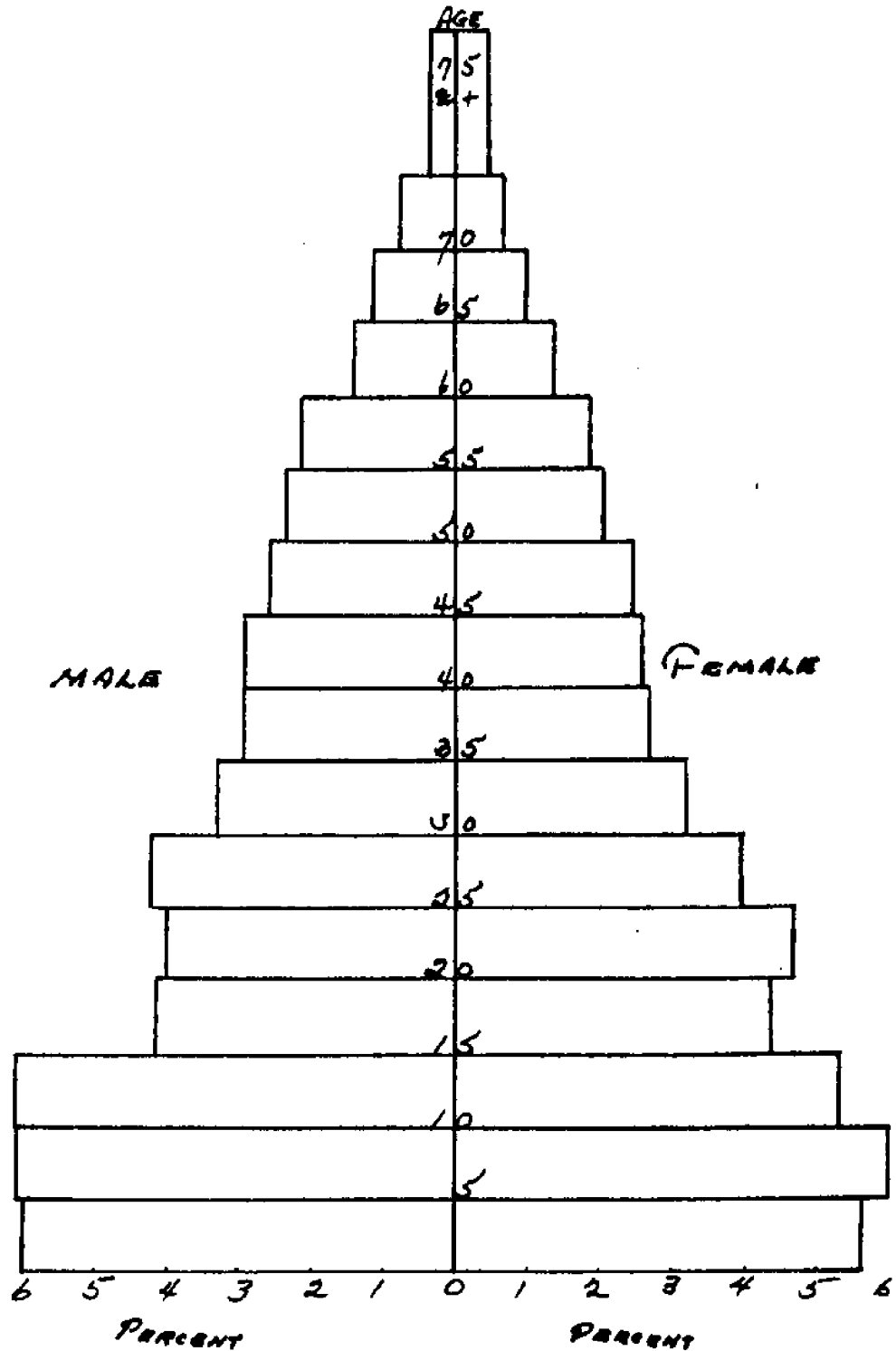
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TABLE XLII
 AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION
 BY NUMBER AND PERCENT, FOR THE RURAL WHITE
 POPULATION OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*

AGE GROUP	TOTAL		MALE		FEMALE	
	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent
Under 5	2780	11.67	1438	6.03	1342	5.63
5-9	2873	12.06	1447	6.07	1426	5.98
10-14	2720	11.41	1460	6.13	1260	5.29
15-19	2042	8.57	988	4.15	1054	4.42
20-24	2086	8.75	958	4.02	1128	4.73
25-29	1955	8.20	1006	4.22	949	3.98
30-34	1565	6.57	797	3.34	768	3.22
35-39	1335	5.60	697	2.92	638	2.68
40-44	1319	5.54	694	2.91	625	2.62
45-49	1203	5.05	608	2.55	595	2.50
50-54	1068	4.48	557	2.34	511	2.14
55-59	950	3.99	507	2.13	443	1.86
60-64	673	2.82	333	1.40	340	1.43
65-69	513	2.15	275	1.15	238	1.00
70-74	353	1.48	177	.74	176	.74
75 & over	395	1.66	169	.71	226	.95
All classes	23830	100.00	12111	50.81	11719	49.17

*U.S. Census of Population, 1970. Mississippi Census Summary Tape Center, Summary Level 46.

FIGURE 29
POPULATION PYRAMID DISPLAYING
THE AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION OF THE RURAL WHITE
POPULATION OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*



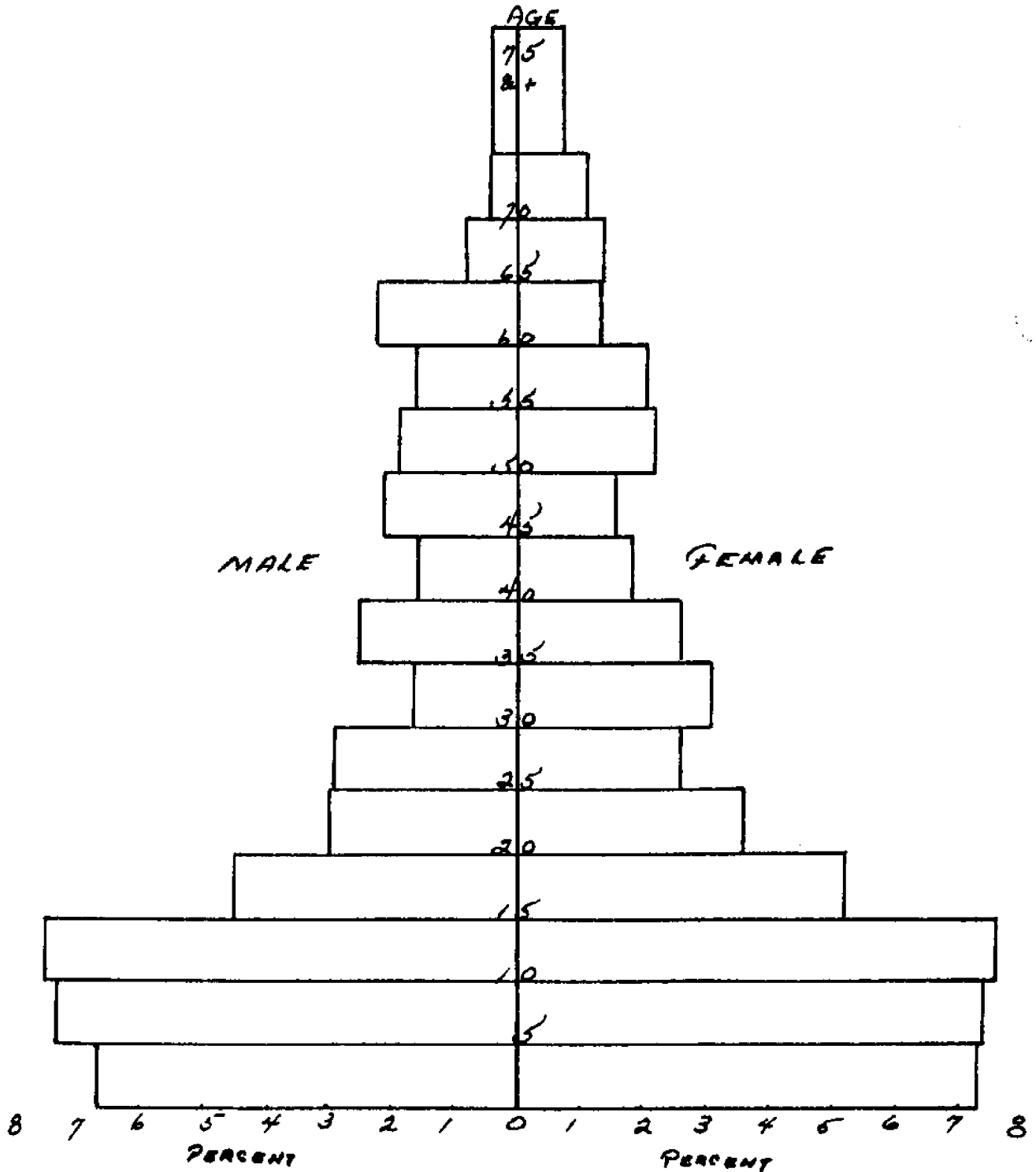
*Plotted from data contained in Table XLII.

TABLE XLIII
 AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION
 BY NUMBER AND PERCENT, FOR THE RURAL NEGRO
 POPULATION OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI 1970*

AGE GROUP	TOTAL		MALE		FEMALE	
	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent
Under 5	197	14.05	94	6.70	103	7.35
5-9	206	14.69	102	7.28	104	7.42
10-14	213	15.19	106	7.56	107	7.63
15-19	136	9.70	63	4.49	73	5.21
20-24	92	6.56	42	3.00	50	3.57
25-29	77	5.49	41	2.92	36	2.57
30-34	67	4.78	23	1.64	44	3.14
35-39	71	5.06	35	2.50	36	2.57
40-44	48	3.42	22	1.57	26	1.85
45-49	53	3.78	30	2.14	23	1.64
50-54	57	4.07	26	1.85	31	2.21
55-59	52	3.71	22	1.57	30	2.14
60-64	49	3.50	31	2.21	18	1.28
65-69	30	2.14	11	.78	19	1.36
70-74	22	1.57	6	.43	16	1.14
75 & over	32	2.28	11	.78	21	1.50
All classes	1402	99.99	665	47.42	737	52.58

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FIGURE 30
POPULATION PYRAMID DISPLAYING
THE AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION OF THE RURAL NEGRO
POPULATION OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*



*Plotted from data contained in Table XLIII.

TABLE XLIV
 AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION,
 BY NUMBER AND PERCENT, FOR THE RURAL OTHER RACE
 POPULATION OF JACKSON COUNTY, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*

AGE GROUP	TOTAL		MALE		FEMALE	
	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent
Under 5	6	8.45	3	4.23	3	4.23
5-9	4	5.63	3	4.23	1	1.41
10-14	13	18.31	5	7.04	8	11.27
15-19	6	8.45	1	1.41	5	7.04
20-24	10	14.08	5	7.04	5	7.04
25-29	7	9.86	3	4.23	4	5.63
30-34	8	11.27	6	8.45	2	2.82
35-39	4	5.63	0	.00	4	5.63
40-44	2	2.82	0	.00	2	2.82
45-49	3	4.23	1	1.41	2	2.82
50-54	1	1.41	0	.00	1	1.41
55-59	1	1.41	1	1.41	0	.00
60-64	0	.00	0	.00	0	.00
65-69	2	2.82	2	2.82	0	.00
70-74	2	2.82	2	2.82	0	.00
75 & over	2	2.82	2	2.82	0	.00
All classes	71	100.01	34	47.91	37	52.12

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county. It is noteworthy (Table XLI) that children under 5 are only 100 less than those 5-9 indicating only the slightest decline of births in the rural portions of the county. There is a sharp decline in numbers starting at age 15 (Figure 28) with a slight gain in females 20-24 and males 25-29, therefore the age groups decline in a rather normal manner. Even in the rural county the proportions of old people is relatively small.

Major Cities of the Coastal Counties. Another member of the population search team has as their major area of analysis the urbanity and urbanization in the three coast counties. We have no wish to duplicate their work or to infringe on their area of analysis, but it was felt that it might be valuable to the users of the composition data to have a few data on the age and sex composition of the four larger urban centers in the coast counties.

Pursuant to the wish to provide these data for reference only, tables have been prepared to display the composition data for Biloxi, Gulfport, Moss Point and Pascagoula. Table XLV list the number and percent of the population in the conventional age groups for total, male and female for the four cities combined. Tables XLVI through XLVIII contain comparable information for the total, white and Negro population of Biloxi. A like set of three tables follow for each of the other three subject cities.

Pyramids were not constructed for the city populations since analysis of the city population was outside the main responsibility of this composition project and we did not want to unnecessarily add to the length of the present study. Since these cities are such an important part of the population of the counties in which they are located it seemed desirable that basic data on age, sex and racial composition of these units be available for a user of the data to compare with total county or residence data.

That was the purpose which the tables were designed to serve.

TABLE XLV
AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION,
BY NUMBER AND PERCENT, FOR THE COMBINED POPULATIONS
OF BILOXI, GULFPORT, PASCAGOULA AND MOSS POINT, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*

AGE GROUP	TOTAL		MALE		FEMALE	
	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent
Under 5	12664	9.32	6484	4.77	6180	4.55
5-9	13622	10.03	6928	5.10	6694	4.93
10-14	14109	10.39	7336	5.40	6773	4.98
15-19	15232	11.21	8841	6.51	6391	4.71
20-24	17041	12.54	10656	7.84	6385	4.70
25-29	9076	6.68	4626	3.40	4450	3.27
30-34	7819	5.76	3895	2.87	3924	2.89
35-39	7519	5.53	3831	2.82	3688	2.72
40-44	7327	5.39	3645	2.68	3682	2.71
45-49	7142	5.26	3553	2.61	3589	2.64
50-54	6177	4.55	3135	2.31	3042	2.24
55-59	5211	3.88	2630	1.94	2581	1.90
60-64	4259	3.13	2039	1.50	2220	1.63
65-69	3188	2.35	1404	1.03	1784	1.31
70-74	2395	1.76	1084	.80	1311	.97
75 & Over	3081	2.27	1341	.99	1740	1.28
All Classes	135862	100.00	71428	52.57	64434	47.43

*Calculated from data contained in United States Census of Population, 1970. Mississippi. From Computer Tapes. Processed at the Mississippi Census Summary Tape Center. Mississippi State University. Summary Level 42.

TABLE XLVI
 AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION,
 BY NUMBER AND PERCENT, FOR THE TOTAL
 POPULATION OF BILOXI, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*

AGE GROUP	TOTAL		MALE		FEMALE	
	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent
Under 5	3897	8.04	1990	4.10	1907	3.93
5-9	4200	8.66	2116	4.36	2084	4.30
10-14	4312	8.89	2269	4.68	2043	4.21
15-19	6837	14.10	4611	9.51	2226	4.59
20-24	8676	17.89	6221	12.83	2455	5.06
25-29	2789	5.75	1469	3.03	1320	2.72
30-34	2540	5.24	1254	2.59	1286	2.65
35-39	2586	5.33	1399	2.89	1187	2.45
40-44	2245	4.63	1148	2.37	1097	2.26
45-49	2147	4.43	1142	2.36	1005	2.07
50-54	1918	3.96	1019	2.10	899	1.85
55-59	1647	3.40	874	1.80	773	1.59
60-64	1422	2.93	670	1.38	752	1.55
65-69	1108	2.29	495	1.02	613	1.26
70-74	990	2.04	505	1.04	485	1.00
75 & Over	1172	2.42	613	1.26	559	1.15
All Classes	48486	100.00	27795	57.32	20691	42.64

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TABLE XLVII
 AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION,
 BY NUMBER AND PERCENT, FOR THE WHITE
 POPULATION OF BILOXI, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*

AGE GROUP	TOTAL		MALE		FEMALE	
	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent
Under 5	3075	7.41	1594	3.84	1481	3.57
5-9	3400	8.19	1727	4.16	1673	4.03
10-14	3532	8.51	1880	4.53	1652	3.98
15-19	5925	14.27	4069	9.80	1856	4.47
20-24	7844	18.90	5659	13.63	2185	5.26
25-29	2382	5.74	1274	3.07	1108	2.67
30-34	2138	5.15	1056	2.54	1082	2.61
35-39	2242	5.40	1243	2.99	999	2.41
40-44	1931	4.65	1007	2.43	924	2.23
45-49	1872	4.51	1000	2.41	872	2.10
50-54	1676	4.04	896	2.16	780	1.88
55-59	1426	3.44	763	1.84	663	1.60
60-64	1236	2.98	596	1.44	640	1.54
65-69	940	2.26	423	1.02	517	1.25
70-74	873	2.10	464	1.12	409	.99
75 & Over	1015	2.45	537	1.29	478	1.15
All Classes	41507	100.00	24188	58.27	17319	41.74

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TABLE XLVIII
 AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION,
 BY NUMBER AND PERCENT, FOR THE NEGRO
 POPULATION OF BILOXI, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*

AGE GROUP	TOTAL		MALE		FEMALE	
	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent
Under 5	793	12.06	382	5.81	411	6.25
5-9	776	11.80	376	5.72	400	6.08
10-14	754	11.46	379	5.76	375	5.70
15-19	820	12.47	464	7.05	356	5.41
20-24	728	11.07	473	7.19	255	3.88
25-29	379	5.76	183	2.78	196	2.98
30-34	379	5.76	190	2.89	189	2.87
35-39	317	4.82	149	2.27	168	2.55
40-44	297	4.52	138	2.10	159	2.42
45-49	271	4.12	141	2.14	130	1.98
50-54	239	3.63	122	1.85	117	1.78
55-59	217	3.30	108	1.64	109	1.66
60-64	185	2.81	74	1.13	111	1.69
65-69	161	2.45	69	1.05	92	1.40
70-74	112	1.70	38	.58	74	1.13
75 & Over	149	2.27	69	1.05	80	1.22
All Classes	6577	100.00	3355	51.01	3222	49.00

*U.S. Census of Population, 1970. Mississippi Census Summary Tape Center, Summary Level 42.

TABLE XLIX
AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION,
BY NUMBER AND PERCENT, FOR THE TOTAL
POPULATION OF GULFPORT, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*

AGE GROUP	TOTAL		MALE		FEMALE	
	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent
Under 5	3457	8.47	1758	4.31	1699	4.17
5-9	3938	9.65	1997	4.90	1941	4.76
10-14	4407	10.80	2318	5.68	2089	5.12
15-19	3939	9.66	2013	4.93	1926	4.72
20-24	4452	10.91	2627	6.44	1825	4.47
25-29	2690	6.59	1338	3.28	1352	3.31
30-34	2219	5.44	1107	2.71	1112	2.73
35-39	2250	5.52	1109	2.72	1141	2.80
40-44	2418	5.93	1164	2.85	1254	3.07
45-49	2553	6.26	1211	2.97	1342	3.29
50-54	2070	5.07	1025	2.51	1045	2.56
55-59	1698	4.16	801	1.96	897	2.20
60-64	1513	3.71	687	1.68	826	2.02
65-69	1210	2.97	482	1.18	728	1.78
70-74	854	2.09	353	.87	501	1.23
75 & Over	1123	2.75	432	1.06	691	1.69
All Classes	40791	99.98	20422	50.05	20369	49.92

*United States Census of Population, 1970. Mississippi. From Computer Tapes. Processed at Mississippi Census Summary Tape Center. Mississippi State University. Summary Level 42.

TABLE L
AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION,
BY NUMBER AND PERCENT, FOR THE WHITE
POPULATION OF GULFPORT, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*

AGE GROUP	TOTAL		MALE		FEMALE	
	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent
Under 5	2621	7.91	1320	3.98	1301	3.93
5-9	3018	9.11	1517	4.58	1501	4.53
10-14	3358	10.13	1748	5.27	1610	4.86
15-19	3166	9.55	1641	4.95	1525	4.60
20-24	3880	11.71	2352	7.10	1528	4.61
25-29	2227	6.72	1136	3.43	1091	3.29
30-34	1801	5.43	905	2.73	896	2.70
35-39	1904	5.74	954	2.88	950	2.87
40-44	2033	6.13	1000	3.02	1033	3.12
45-49	2193	6.62	1045	3.15	1148	3.46
50-54	1721	5.19	871	2.63	850	2.56
55-59	1345	4.06	643	1.94	702	2.12
60-64	1241	3.74	566	1.71	675	2.04
65-69	1007	3.04	409	1.23	598	1.80
70-74	710	2.14	290	.87	420	1.27
75 & Over	921	2.78	345	1.04	576	1.74
All Classes	33146	100.00	16742	50.51	16404	49.50

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TABLE LI
 AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION,
 BY NUMBER AND PERCENT, FOR THE NEGRO
 POPULATION OF GULFPORT, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*

AGE GROUP	TOTAL		MALE		FEMALE	
	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent
Under 5	811	10.94	425	5.73	386	5.21
5-9	893	12.05	466	6.29	427	5.76
10-14	1026	13.84	555	7.49	471	6.35
15-19	749	10.11	356	4.80	393	5.30
20-24	541	7.30	256	3.45	285	3.85
25-29	433	5.84	188	2.54	245	3.31
30-34	392	5.29	187	2.52	205	2.77
35-39	326	4.40	149	2.01	177	2.39
40-44	378	5.10	163	2.20	215	2.90
45-49	358	4.83	165	2.23	193	2.60
50-54	346	4.67	153	2.06	193	2.60
55-59	350	4.72	157	2.12	193	2.60
60-64	270	3.64	121	1.63	149	2.01
65-69	199	2.68	73	.98	126	1.70
70-74	142	1.92	63	.85	79	1.07
75 & Over	198	2.67	84	1.13	114	1.54
All Classes	7412	100.00	3561	48.03	3851	51.96

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TABLE LII
 AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION,
 BY NUMBER AND PERCENT, FOR THE TOTAL
 POPULATION OF MOSS POINT, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*

AGE GROUP	TOTAL		MALE		FEMALE	
	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent
Under 5	2450	12.68	1278	6.61	1172	6.07
5-9	2442	12.64	1264	6.54	1178	6.10
10-14	2372	12.28	1235	6.39	1137	5.88
15-19	1876	9.71	900	4.66	976	5.05
20-24	1530	7.92	652	3.37	878	4.54
25-29	1504	7.78	745	3.86	759	3.93
30-34	1288	6.67	640	3.31	648	3.35
35-39	1060	5.49	515	2.67	545	2.82
40-44	1011	5.23	497	2.57	514	2.66
45-49	888	4.60	429	2.22	459	2.38
50-54	866	4.48	444	2.30	422	2.18
55-59	700	3.62	356	1.84	344	1.78
60-64	439	2.27	215	1.11	224	1.16
65-69	344	1.78	172	.89	172	.89
70-74	212	1.10	87	.45	125	.65
75 & Over	339	1.75	128	.66	211	1.09
All Classes	19321	100.00	9557	49.45	9764	50.53

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TABLE LIII
 AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION,
 BY NUMBER AND PERCENT, FOR THE WHITE
 POPULATION OF MOSS POINT, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*

AGE GROUP	TOTAL		MALE		FEMALE	
	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent
Under 5	1249	11.43	646	5.91	603	5.52
5-9	1213	11.10	630	5.76	583	5.33
10-14	1114	10.19	582	5.33	532	4.87
15-19	984	9.00	469	4.29	515	4.71
20-24	897	8.21	389	3.56	508	4.65
25-29	902	8.25	471	4.31	431	3.94
30-34	762	6.97	385	3.52	377	3.45
35-39	638	5.84	318	2.91	320	2.93
40-44	641	5.87	323	2.96	318	2.91
45-49	593	5.43	292	2.67	301	2.75
50-54	563	5.15	291	2.66	272	2.49
55-59	469	4.29	237	2.17	232	2.12
60-64	293	2.68	140	1.28	153	1.40
65-69	218	1.99	108	.99	110	1.01
70-74	149	1.36	56	.51	93	.85
75 & Over	244	2.23	89	.81	155	1.42
All Classes	10929	99.99	5426	49.64	5503	50.35

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TABLE LIV
 AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION,
 BY NUMBER AND PERCENT, FOR THE NEGRO
 POPULATION OF MOSS POINT, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*

AGE GROUP	TOTAL		MALE		FEMALE	
	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent
Under 5	1197	14.31	629	7.52	568	6.79
5-9	1226	14.65	633	7.57	593	7.09
10-14	1251	14.95	650	7.77	601	7.18
15-19	888	10.61	429	5.13	459	5.49
20-24	632	7.55	262	3.13	370	4.42
25-29	600	7.17	274	3.28	326	3.90
30-34	525	6.28	255	3.05	270	3.23
35-39	422	5.04	197	2.35	225	2.69
40-44	368	4.40	174	2.08	194	2.32
45-49	295	3.53	137	1.64	158	1.89
50-54	301	3.60	152	1.82	149	1.78
55-59	231	2.76	119	1.42	112	1.34
60-64	146	1.75	75	.90	71	.85
65-69	126	1.51	64	.77	62	.74
70-74	63	.75	31	.37	32	.38
75 & Over	95	1.14	39	.47	56	.67
All Classes	8366	100.00	4120	49.27	4246	50.76

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TABLE LV
 AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION,
 BY NUMBER AND PERCENT, FOR THE TOTAL
 POPULATION OF PASCAGOULA, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*

AGE GROUP	TOTAL		MALE		FEMALE	
	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent
Under 5	2860	10.49	1458	5.35	1402	5.14
5-9	3042	11.16	1551	5.69	1491	5.47
10-14	3018	11.07	1514	5.55	1504	5.52
15-19	2580	9.46	1317	4.83	1263	4.63
20-24	2383	8.74	1156	4.24	1227	4.50
25-29	2093	7.68	1074	3.94	1019	3.74
30-34	1772	6.50	894	3.28	878	3.22
35-39	1623	5.95	808	2.96	815	2.99
40-44	1653	6.06	836	3.07	817	3.00
45-49	1554	5.70	771	2.83	783	2.87
50-54	1323	4.85	647	2.37	676	2.48
55-59	1166	4.28	599	2.20	567	2.08
60-64	885	3.25	467	1.71	418	1.53
65-69	526	1.93	255	.94	271	.99
70-74	339	1.24	139	.51	200	.73
75 & Over	447	1.64	168	.62	279	1.02
All Classes	27264	100.00	13654	50.09	13610	49.91

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TABLE LVI
 AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION,
 BY NUMBER AND PERCENT, FOR THE WHITE
 POPULATION OF PASCAGOULA, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*

AGE GROUP	TOTAL		MALE		FEMALE	
	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent
Under 5	2424	10.24	1245	5.26	1179	4.98
5-9	2599	10.98	1336	5.65	1263	5.34
10-14	2582	10.91	1302	5.50	1280	5.41
15-19	2177	9.20	1108	4.68	1069	4.52
20-24	2060	8.71	990	4.18	1070	4.52
25-29	1891	7.99	982	4.15	909	3.84
30-34	1573	6.65	804	3.40	769	3.25
35-39	1469	6.21	735	3.11	734	3.10
40-44	1456	6.15	744	3.14	712	3.01
45-49	1387	5.86	691	2.92	696	2.94
50-54	1159	4.90	565	2.39	594	2.51
55-59	1045	4.42	549	2.32	496	2.10
60-64	748	3.16	396	1.67	352	1.49
65-69	443	1.87	212	.90	231	.98
70-74	277	1.17	115	.49	162	.68
75 & Over	373	1.58	134	.57	239	1.01
All Classes	23663	100.00	11908	50.33	11755	49.68

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TABLE LVII
 AGE AND SEX COMPOSITION,
 BY NUMBER AND PERCENT, FOR THE NEGRO
 POPULATION OF PASCAGOULA, MISSISSIPPI, 1970*

AGE GROUP	TOTAL		MALE		FEMALE	
	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent	Number	Per- cent
Under 5	433	12.15	212	5.95	221	6.20
5-9	442	12.40	214	6.00	228	6.40
10-14	433	12.15	210	5.89	223	6.26
15-19	403	11.31	209	5.86	194	5.44
20-24	314	8.81	160	4.49	154	4.32
25-29	199	5.58	91	2.55	108	3.03
30-34	197	5.53	88	2.47	109	3.06
35-39	152	4.26	72	2.02	80	2.24
40-44	196	5.50	91	2.55	105	2.95
45-49	166	4.66	79	2.22	87	2.44
50-54	161	4.52	81	2.27	80	2.24
55-59	120	3.37	50	1.40	70	1.96
60-64	136	3.82	70	1.96	66	1.85
65-69	81	2.27	43	1.21	38	1.07
70-74	62	1.74	24	.67	38	1.07
75 & Over	69	1.94	29	.81	40	1.12
All Classes	3564	100.01	1723	48.32	1841	51.65

*U.S. Census of Population, 1970. Mississippi Census Summary Tape Center, Summary Level 42.

Recapitulation. The present study is a part of a Population Research Project commissioned by the Mississippi-Alabama Sea Grant Consortium, headquartered at Ocean Springs. Our area of responsibility is a Study of the Population Composition of Jackson, Harrison, and Hancock Counties, Mississippi. The task was to assemble, organize, analyse and display data about population composition in these counties. This meant calculating and recording the number and percentage of people in the various age, sex, race and residential groups for each county, and for the counties combined. This has been done and the results are presented here in fifty-seven tables and thirty figures. This is the body of the research.

Others have or are completing studies of other aspects of the coast counties population. The user's needs and interests will determine whether one, or all, of these studies will provide the most useful and meaningful demographic information.

Population is the basic starting point for almost any social research. People are the raison d'etre of such research. People are the recipients of the products of research as well as of programs and policies of political units or independent agencies. Knowledge of how many people there are, where they are, of what age, the balance of the sexes, education attainment, their residential stability or mobility, and perhaps other demographic characteristics are essential to planning and action programs, and for making and administering public policy.

People are also consumers of research. It is a vain effort if our findings are not understood and used by leaders, and by those who work with or on behalf some segment of the citizenry.

Persons unaccustomed to reading and interpreting census or other demographic materials may not at first-look be able to interpret the population.

composition data making up this study, but a few moments of study of the tables along with a few words of explanation will make the task an easy one.

Several tables are used to display all the composition data for a particular county. This divides the information into handable units and it is necessary because of the many cross classifications that are done.

There are five series of tables containing the population composition information, one for the combined counties, one for each of the three counties and then a set with basic information of the four principle cities of the zone. The analysis begins (Table I) with the combined counties in order to give the user a general knowledge of the population characteristics of the coastal region. This first series treats the total population of all three counties as a unit. This provides valuable data for use in certain type of research, such as labor force and transportation studies.

Each table gives the number of persons (and the percentage they represent) in each age group for males, females and total of both sexes.

There are tables for:

- Total Population
- Total White Population
- Total Non-White Population
- Total Negro Population
- Total Population of "Other Races"

In addition to the five tables listed above eight others are done for each of the three counties. They are:

- Total Urban Population
- Urban White Population
- Urban Negro Population
- Urban Population of Other Races
- Total Rural Population
- Rural White Population
- Rural Negro Population
- Rural Population of Other Races

Businessmen, reserachers, educators, civic leaders and many other interests, using the appropriate table can find a great variety of demographic information useful to them in work, planning or understanding. For example, one could find (1) the number of rural Negro children under 5 years of age in Harrison County or (2) the number of urban whites in labor force ages in Jackson County or (3) the number of persons over 65 in the three counties, and this data is further available for males and females and the different races. These are only a few examples of an almost endless variety of population data available in the tables.

The data in the tables is graphically plotted in graphs or "population pyramids" called Figures. The precentage figures for each population group are plotted is a double bar chart called a population pyramid. One accompanies each major table. There are thirty in all. The purpose of the cartographic presentation is to make a visual presentation of the age and sex composition data. The visual presentation makes the comprehension of basic population facts quicker and easier than narrative or tabular presentation. It makes relationship and trends stand out. A few moments study of one of these Figures (charts) allows one to "see" the composition or the configuration of a given population cohort. Any unusual configuration are instantly apparent. One then can refer to the accompanying table for exact population sizes or percentages. Using the table and figure together gives both a quick over-all comprehension of the distribution of population in a given cohort and detailed statistical information, as well.

The Coastal Counties reveal some aspects of population composition that are regular or rather typical of our general population. In some aspects, however, there are unusual or unexpected population configurations.

One of these is the maleness of the region. This is mainly accounted for by the high percentage of males in Harrison County. Another unusual feature is the relatively low percentage of older population (65 and over) as it is well below national and state levels. It is even more surprising in view of the potential of the area to attract retired persons. In all the counties the 0-5 age group is smaller than the 5-9 group indicating declining births. Harrison County has an unusually high proportion of males 15-24, accounted for, in part, by Keesler Field but even females in these ages outnumber those 25-40 years of age. Hancock County has markedly smaller proportion of persons 20-40 than in ages above and below this range. Jackson County has the least skewed population distribution but does have a relatively large percentage of children under 15. The proportion of persons over 65 is much smaller than might be expected.

Migration into and of the county appears to be important in some age and race cohorts. This is dealt with in another study but effects appear in the sculpturing of the pyramids. An almost endless number of observations and generalizations relative to population composition could be made from the data displayed but such are, perhaps, most meaningful when one studies various cohorts and compares it with others.

It is sincerely hoped that this assemblage and presentation of population facts and relationship will be informative and useful to the people of the counties studied and to the users of demographic data everywhere.

