

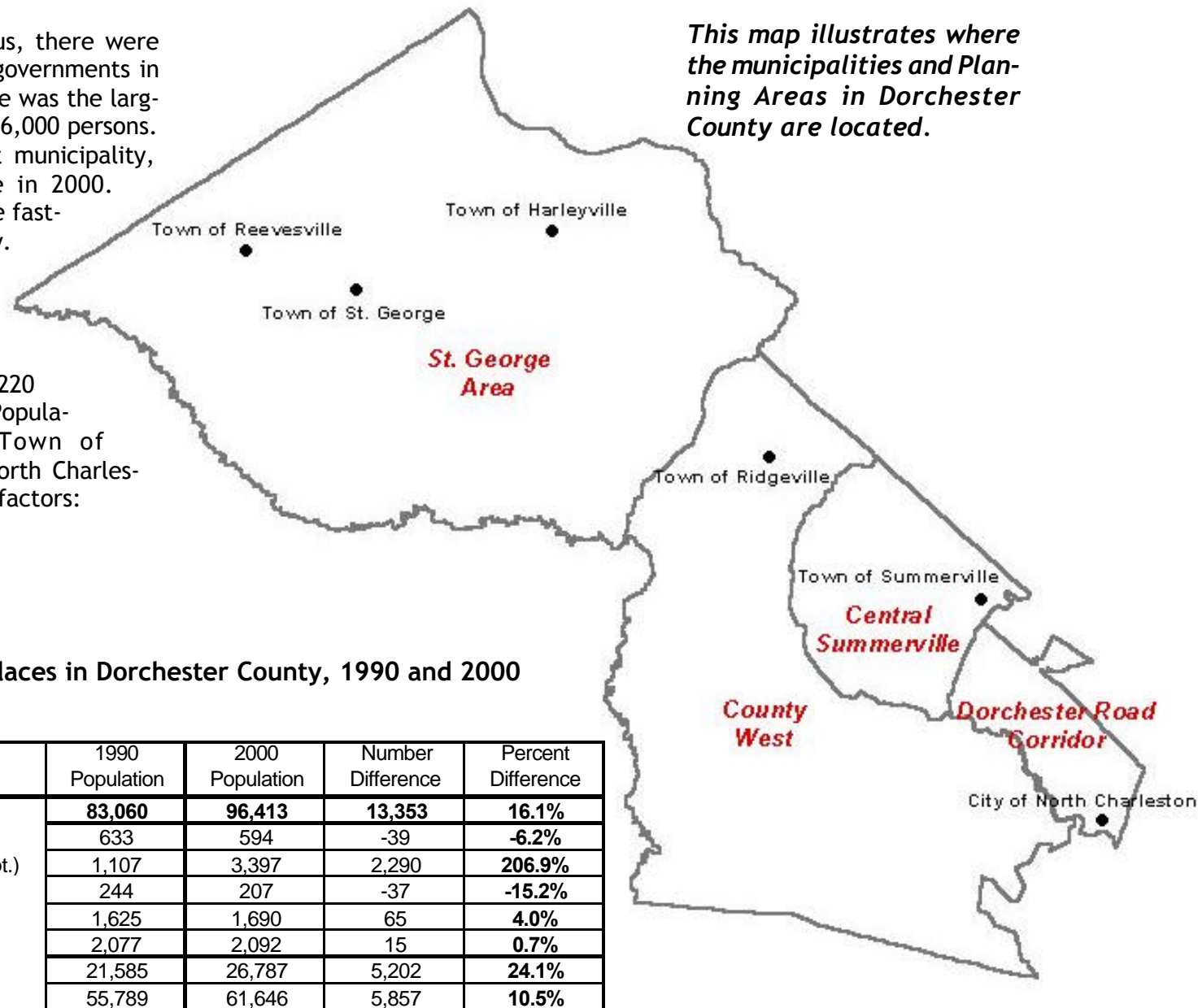
Incorporated Places

At the time of the 2000 Census, there were six municipal general purpose governments in Dorchester County. Summerville was the largest, with a population of over 26,000 persons. It was ranked the 12th largest municipality, population-wise, in the State in 2000. Summerville was also one of the fastest growing towns in the County.

The population of the Dorchester County portion of the City of North Charleston increased dramatically, by over 220 percent, during the 1990's. Population growth in both the Town of Summerville and the City of North Charleston can be attributed to three factors:

- natural increase
- new developments
- annexation

This map illustrates where the municipalities and Planning Areas in Dorchester County are located.



Population of Incorporated Places in Dorchester County, 1990 and 2000

COUNTY	PLACE	1990 Population	2000 Population	Number Difference	Percent Difference
DORCHESTER		83,060	96,413	13,353	16.1%
	Harleyville town	633	594	-39	-6.2%
	North Charleston city (pt.)	1,107	3,397	2,290	206.9%
	Reevesville town	244	207	-37	-15.2%
	Ridgeville town	1,625	1,690	65	4.0%
	St. George town	2,077	2,092	15	0.7%
	Summerville town (pt.)	21,585	26,787	5,202	24.1%
	Balance of County	55,789	61,646	5,857	10.5%

Source: South Carolina State Data Center, US Bureau of the Census, 2000