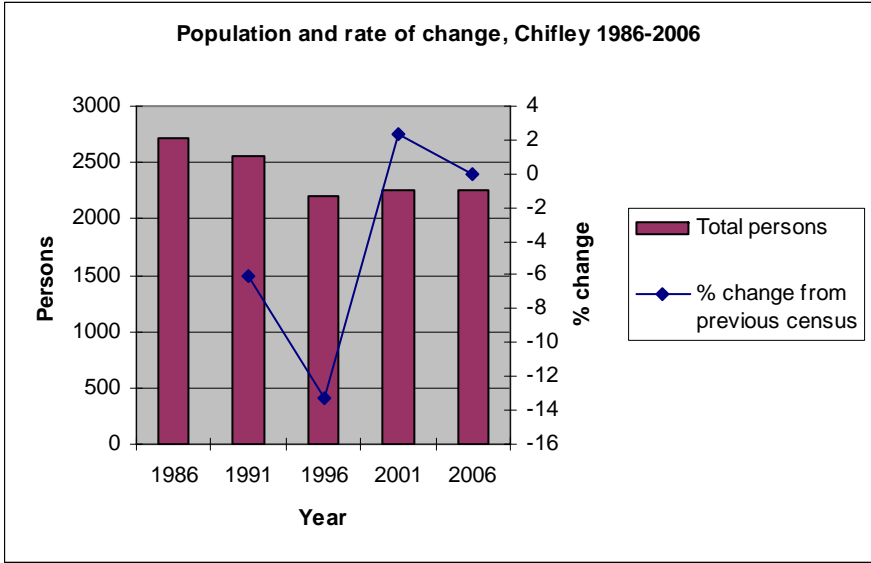
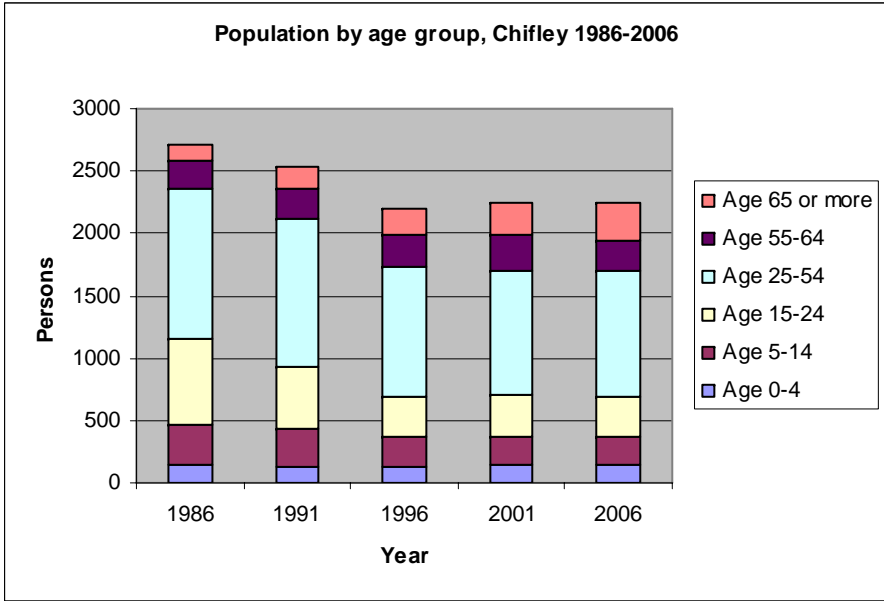


Population Characteristics – Suburb of Chifley

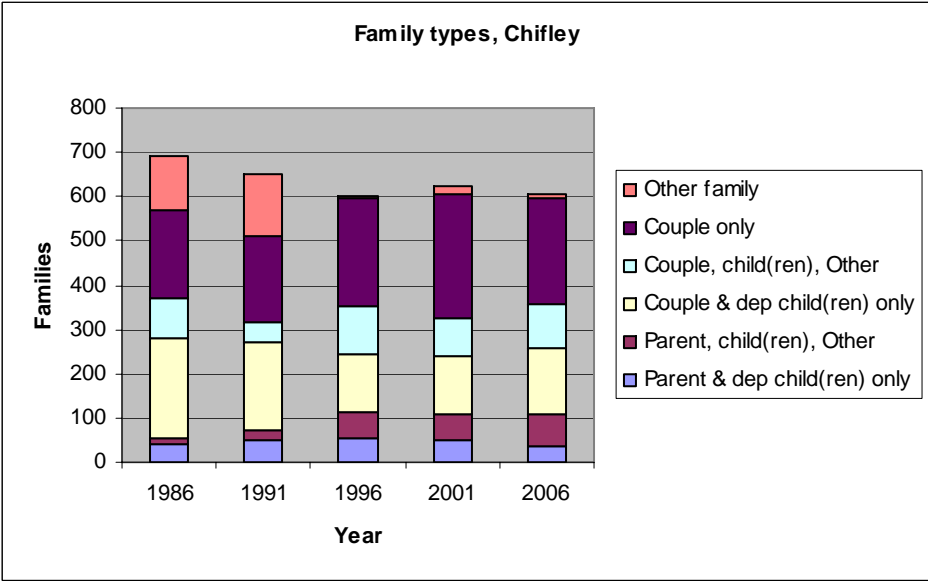


The population of Chifley declined by 17% between 1986 and 2006, from 2,712 to 2261. During this same period, the population of the ACT increased by around 30%.

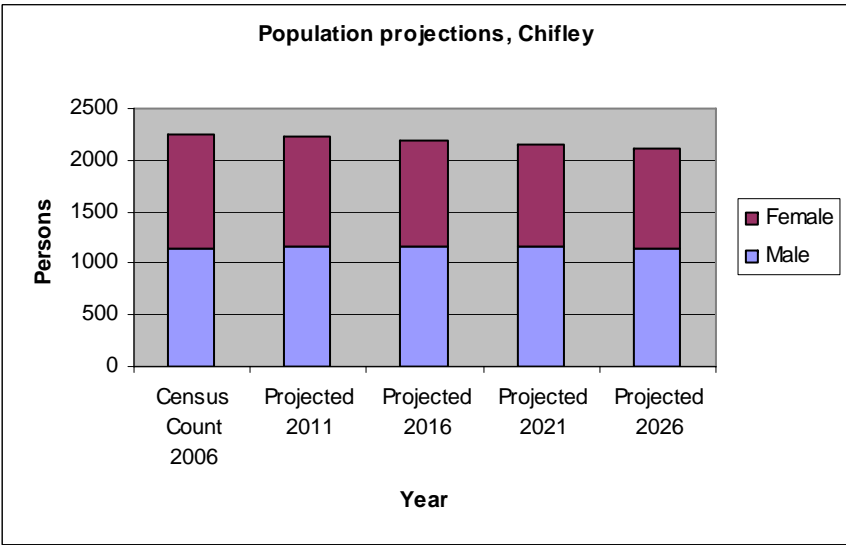


The population in the 0-4 and 25-54 year age groups has remained relatively stable since 1986. The graph however shows a marked decline in the 15-24 age group, which has more than halved from 685 in 1986 to 326 in 2006. The proportion of the population in this age group has fallen from 25.3% in 1986 to 14.4% in 2006. The number of 5-14 year olds also declined by 30% during this period from 326 in 1986 to 226 in 2006.

At the same time, the proportion of the population aged over 55 years has increased significantly from 13.3% to 24.4% of the total.



Data on family types reflect many changes over time and definitional changes. The proportion of 'Couple families with dependent children only' has decreased from being 32.4% in 1986 to 25% in 2006. At the same time, families with older children have increased markedly from 15.1% in 1986 to 27.9% in 2006. 'Couple only families have increased from 29.1% to 39.2% of total families over this timeframe.



The population of Chifley is expected to remain essentially static in the next 20 years, as it has since falling significantly in 1996.