Seven cities grew more than 30 percent from 2000 to 2005, six of which were in the Indianapolis metro area. The other was the city of Winfield in Lake County.

None of the fastest growing cities and towns were located in the northeast or southwest portion of Indiana, but all were a part of major metro areas.

When looking at percent change, smaller cities sometimes show up as the fastest growing because even a change of just a few people will cause a large change in the percentage. This is the case for Whitestown, which saw a 43.9 percent change from 2000 to 2005, but a numeric change of only 210 people. The only other city with less than 1,000 people to make the fastest growing list was Trafalgar.

More than half of the top twenty fastest growing cities and towns had at least 5,000 people, with Indianapolis being the largest. Fishers had the largest numeric growth, with 19,274 new residents.

*Based on percent change from April 1, 2000 to July 1, 2005, using the estimate base Source: IBRC, using U.S. Census Bureau data