Quantitative (Map) Indicators

Commonly Used Terms

County Median: Median measures reflect the midpoint in any dataset. This helps to eliminate skewing of the data in the presence of outliers in order to ensure a more accurate representation of actual community conditions. Our county median measure is calculated by measuring the midpoint value for each indicator in each year.

Total Population: All people living in a particular census tract (Population).

16 Years and Over in the Civilian Labor Force: People 16 years or older that are employed or unemployed (actively looking for work). Those in the armed forces are not included (MacDonald & Peters, 2011, p. 103).

Population for Whom Poverty-Status is Determined: All people age 15 and older excluding people living in institutional group quarters (prisons and nursing homes), college dormitories, military barracks, and living situations without conventional housing, and who are not in shelters ("How the Census").

Housing Unit: A *housing unit* is defined as an apartment, single-family home, or mobile home (MacDonald & Peters, 2011, p. 173).

Occupied Housing Unit: A *housing unit* where an individual or group lives at the time of the survey.

Owner-Occupied Housing Unit: A *housing unit* is considered *owner-occupied* if the owner or co-owner lives in the housing unit (MacDonald & Peters, 2011, p. 75).

Renter-Occupied Housing Unit: An *occupied housing unit* that is not considered owner-occupied is then categorized as *renter-occupied* (MacDonald & Peters, 2011, p. 75).

Household: All people occupying a *housing unit*. A *household* can include families, families living with unrelated individuals, or unrelated individuals (MacDonald & Peters, 2011, p. 55-56).

Family Households: A *family* contains individuals related by blood, marriage or adoption. Unrelated individuals can live with a family in a household. A household is considered a *family household* if a member of the family fills out the survey (MacDonald & Peters, 2011, p. 56-57).

Indicator Table

Measure Name	Description	Special Notes	Capital Asset Category
Age 0-4	Percentage of the total population that is 0-4 years old.		Human
Age 5-17	Percentage of total population that is 5-17 years old.		Human
Age 18-64	Percentage of the total population that is 18-64 years old.		Human
Minor Population	Percentage of the total population that are minors (0-17 years old).		Human
Minor Population Age 0-4	Percentage of minor population that is 0-4 years old.		Human
African-American	Percentage of the total population that identify as African-American.		Human
Asian	Percentage of the total population that identify as Asian.		Human
Hispanic or Latino	Percentage of the total population that identify as being of Hispanic or Latino descent.		Human
White	Percentage of the total population that identify as white.		Human
Non-White	Percentage of the total population that does not identify as White alone (includes: Black or African American alone, American Indian and Alaska Native alone, Asian alone, Native Hawaiian and other Pacific Islander alone, some other race alone, and two or more races).		Human
Diversity Index	An index representing racial diversity. The index ranges from 0 to 1, with 0 being perfect diversity and 1 being no diversity.		Human
Dependency Index	Ratio of youths (17 years or less) and elderly (65 years or more) to the total population of non-dependents (18-64 years old).		Human

Educational Attainment	Percentage of persons aged 25 years and over who have completed less than a high school diploma.		Human
Female-Headed Family Households	Percentage of family households with a female householder and no husband.		Human
Child Ratio	The number of children under 5 years old per 1,000 women aged 15 to 44 years old.		Human
Population Density	Number of people per square mile.		Human
Preschool Enrollment	Percentage of 0-4 year olds enrolled in preschool.		Human
Housing Built Before 1940	Percentage of all housing units built before 1940.		Manufactured
Inadequate Heating Source	Percentage of occupied housing units with inadequate heating fuel (defined as using either: fuel oil, kerosene, etc.; coal or coke; wood; or no fuel used).		Manufactured
Mobile Homes	Percentage of occupied housing units that are defined as mobile homes.		Manufactured
Renter-Occupied	Percentage of occupied housing units that are currently renter-occupied.		Manufactured
Vacancy Rate	Percentage of all housing units that are vacant/unoccupied.		Manufactured
Vehicle Access	Percentage of occupied housing units reporting no vehicles available.		Manufactured
Linguistic Isolation	Percentage of households where all individuals aged 14 or older have some difficulty speaking English.		Social
Moved in the Last 5 Years 1990-2000	Percentage of population that moved into, within, or to a different MSA in the last 5 years.	Americans are moving at lower and lower rates; however, this is measured differently for 2010/2016.	Social
Moved in the Last Year 2010-2016	Percentage of people that moved into, within, or to a different MSA in the past year.		Social

Homeowner Costs	Percentage of owner-occupied housing units (with or without a mortgage) with owner costs exceeding 35% of their household income.	1990 and 2000 data exclude mobile homes, houses on 10 or more acres, and housing units in multi-unit buildings.	Financial
Income Inequality	Gini index, which measures the distribution of wealth across households, where 0 represents perfect equality and 1 represents perfect inequality.	Data only available for 2010 and 2016.	Financial
Median Contract Rent	Median contract rent, measured in constant 2016 dollars.	1990 and 2000 data exclude 1-family houses on 10 or more acres.	Financial
Median House Value	Median house value, measured in constant 2016 dollars.	1990 and 2000 data exclude mobile homes, houses on 10 or more acres, and housing units in multi-unit buildings.	Financial
Median Household Income	Median household income, measured in constant 2016 dollars.		Financial
No Health Insurance	Percentage of civilian, noninstitutionalized population with no health insurance coverage.	Only 2016 data available.	Financial
Per Capita Income	Per capita income, measured in constant 2016 dollars.		Financial
Poverty Status, Families	Percentage of families reporting income below the poverty level out of total families for whom poverty status is ascertained.		Financial
Poverty Status, Individuals	Percentage of individuals reporting income below the poverty level out of the total population for whom poverty status is ascertained.		Financial
Renter Costs	Percentage of renter-occupied housing units with 35% or more of their household income designated to gross rental costs.	1990 and 2000 data exclude 1-family houses on 10 or more acres.	Financial

SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program)	Percentage of households that received food assistance (SNAP) within the past 12 months.	Only 2010 and 2016 data available.	Financial
Unemployment	Unemployed persons 16 years and over who are in the civilian labor force as a percentage of all persons 16 years and over in the Civilian labor force.		Financial

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