

City of Austin, Office of the City Auditor

AFFORDABILITY REVIEW PROJECT: COUNCIL DISTRICT PROFILES

December 2016

As requested by City Council, the Office of the City Auditor conducted this special project to identify factors that affect affordability for Austin residents. Demographic and expenditure information was summarized for each Council district and the city overall in a series of profiles.

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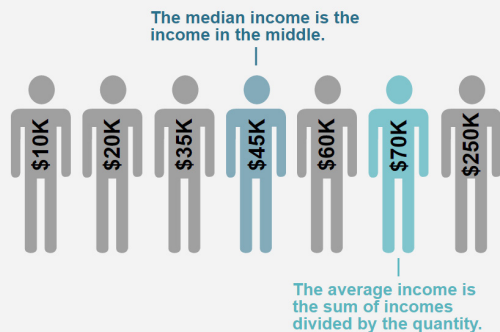
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TERMINOLOGY AND DATA NOTES

For variable definitions, methodology, and a more extensive discussion of data sources, please see the last page of this report.

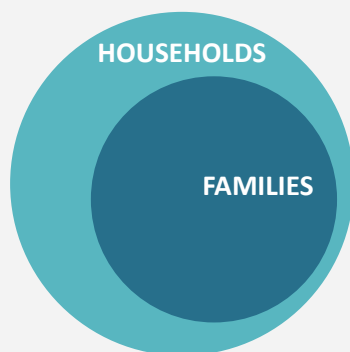
Medians versus Averages



These profiles often rely on medians rather than average estimates. Medians are the center point of the data, and thus are less affected by outliers (such as a few households with extremely high or low incomes). Averages, on the other hand, tend to be skewed towards large outliers. This means that medians are often a better choice for describing what is happening at the district level.

Households and Families

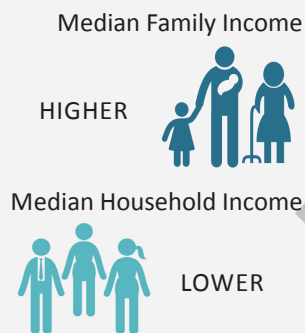
These profiles analyze income and expenditures (with the exception of child care) at the household level.



A household is defined by the Census as an occupied housing unit. This means that a household can have many different compositions – it might be a single person living alone, a group of roommates, a married couple without children, or a family.

Families are a specific subset of households. The Census defines a family household as a household in which one or more persons are related to the householder by marriage, birth, or adoption.

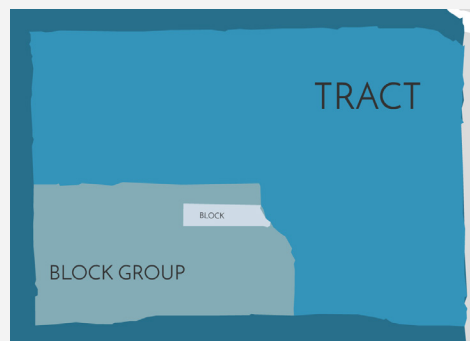
Median Household Income versus Median Family Income



These profiles focus on median household income rather than median family income. Measures of family income are often higher than measures of household income. This is because many family households have two incomes, whereas households of single individuals (and therefore single incomes) are excluded from median family income by default. In comparison, the median household income is based on all households.

Although median family income is important for many social service activities, we concluded that median household income was a more accurate reflection of income for the typical Austin household, and therefore the best measure for the districts and city as a whole.

Geography and Data Sources

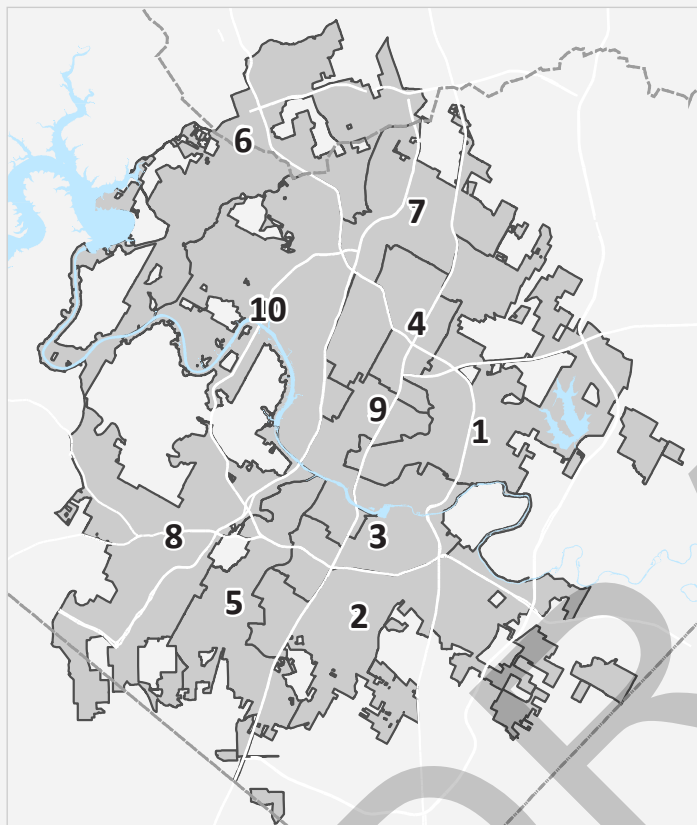


The data used in these profiles reflect a combination of public and private sources. All data were estimated for 2015. GIS analysis was used to map the data and generate estimates at the Council district and city-wide level.

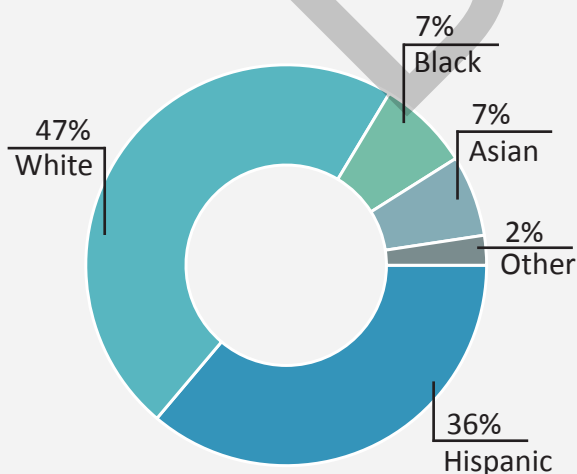
With the exception of property tax estimates and child care estimates, all data were estimated at the Census block group level. Property tax estimates were calculated by property and child care estimates are based on market rates for all of Travis County.

CITY OF AUSTIN

\$52,460	2015 Median Household Income
2.36	2015 Average Household Size
\$270,610	2015 Median Appraised Home Value
\$4,910	2015 Median Estimated Property Tax Bill

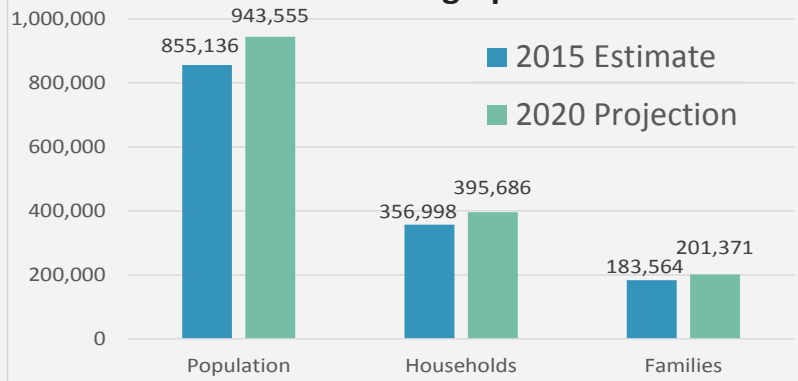


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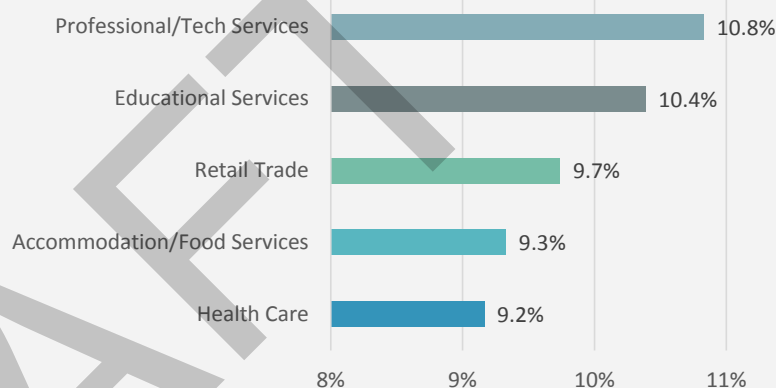
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2015 - 2020 Demographic Trends

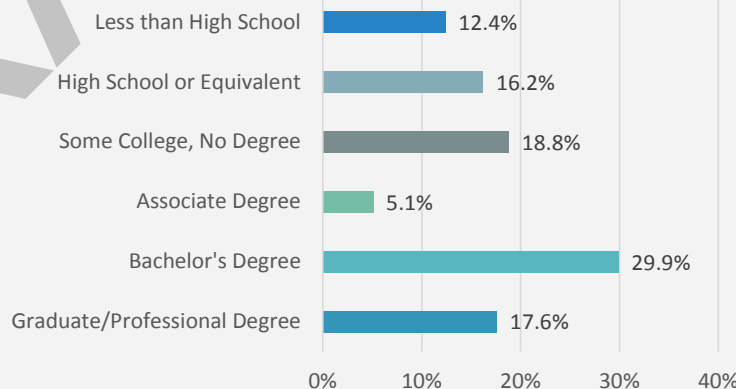


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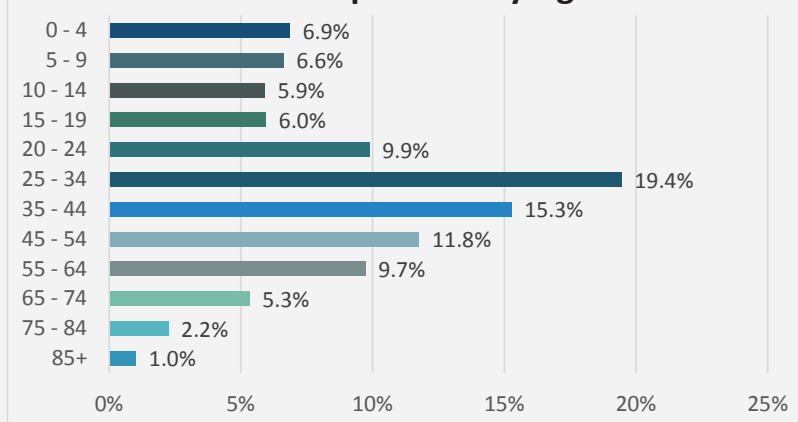
2015 Employed Population 16+ by Industry, Top 5



2015 Population 25+ by Educational Attainment

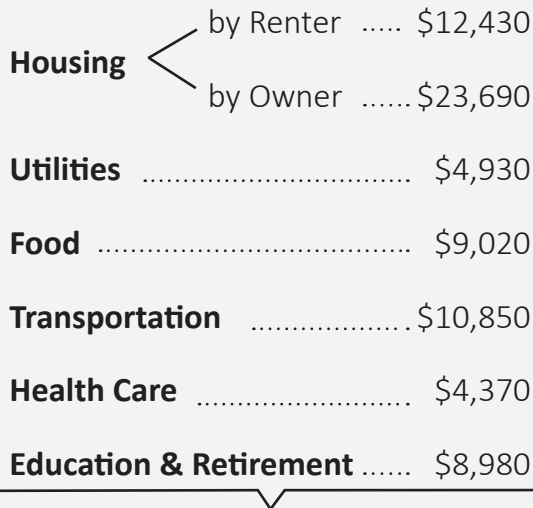


2015 Population by Age



CITY OF AUSTIN

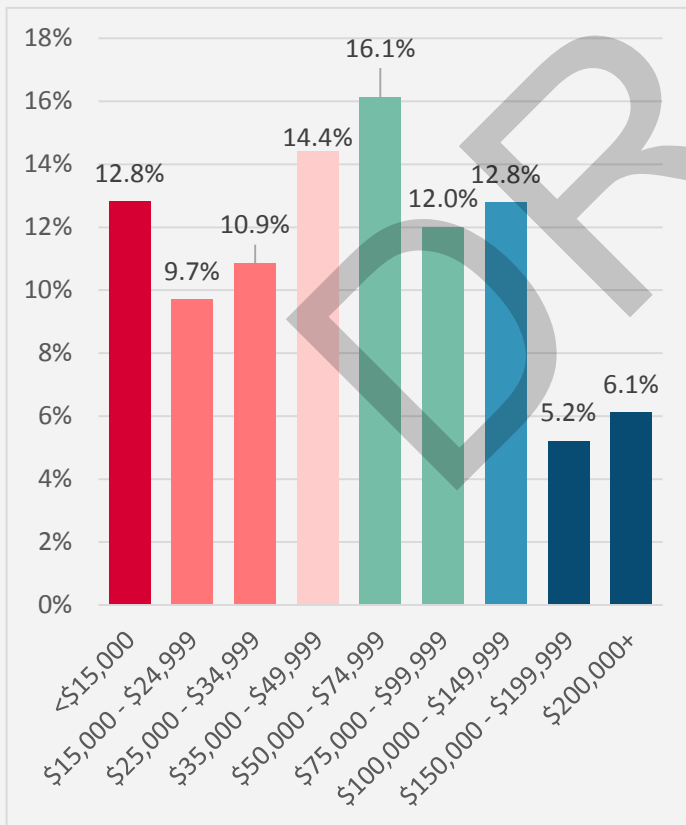
2015 Average Annual Household Spending on Affordability Cost Drivers



Annual Renter Spending: \$50,580

Annual Owner Spending: \$61,840

2015 Household Income Distribution

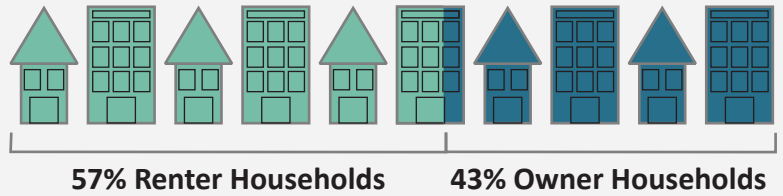


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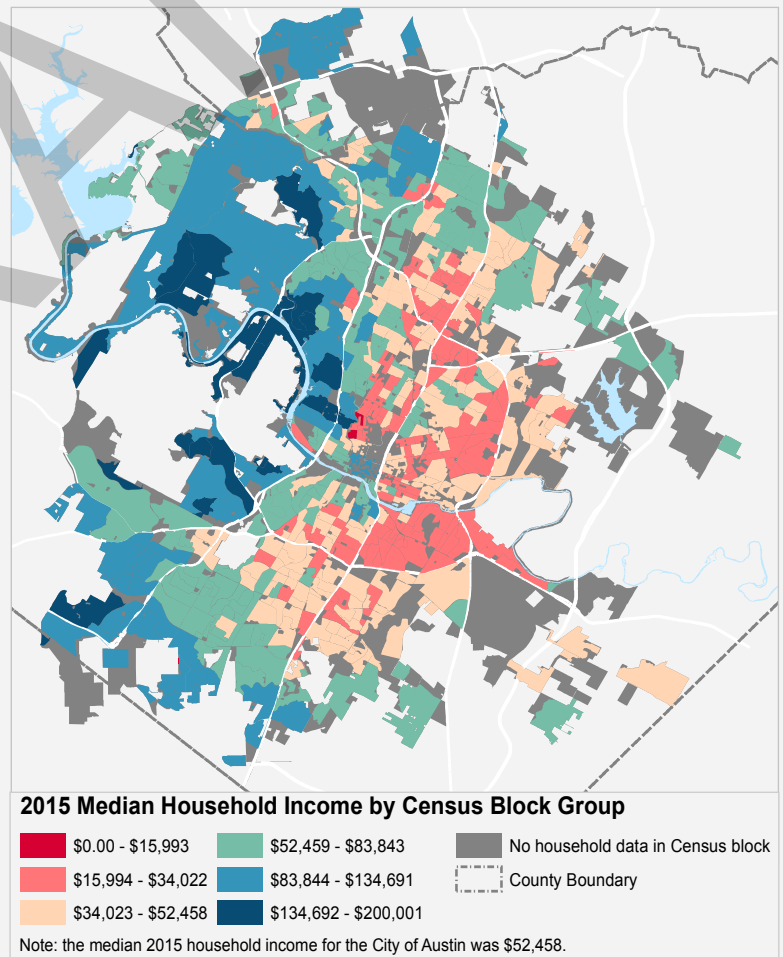
Citywide, renters spend **48%** less on average on housing costs than homeowners.



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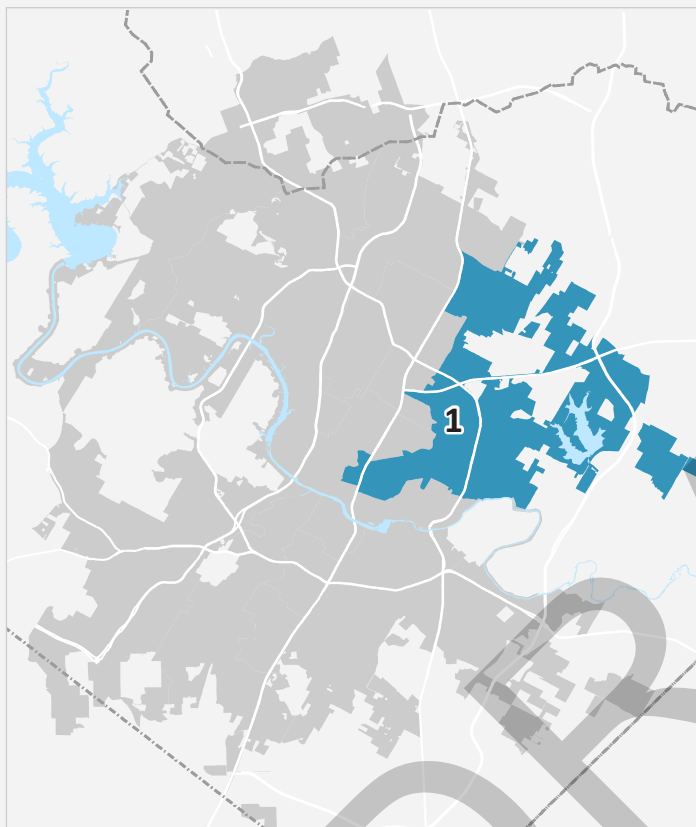
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There are approximately 58,700 children under five in Austin.

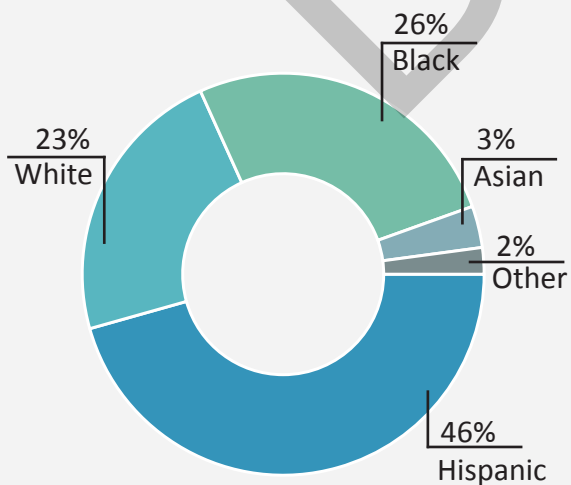


CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 1

\$39,790	2015 Median Household Income
2.72	2015 Average Household Size
\$193,650	2015 Median Appraised Home Value
\$3,570	2015 Median Estimated Property Tax Bill

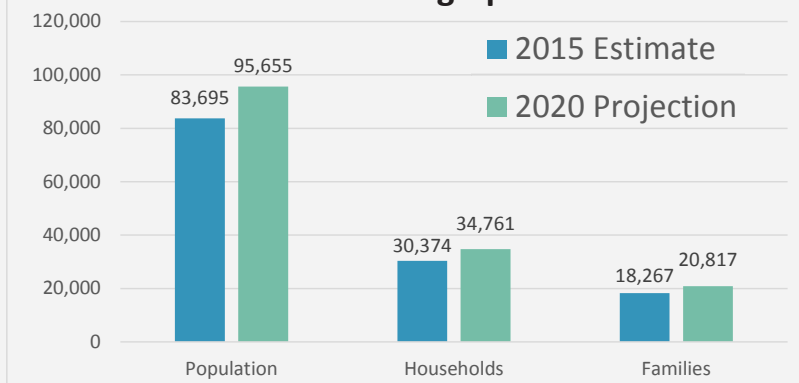


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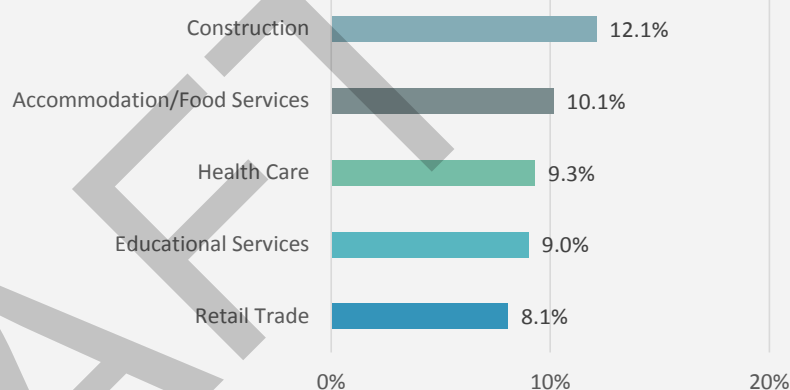
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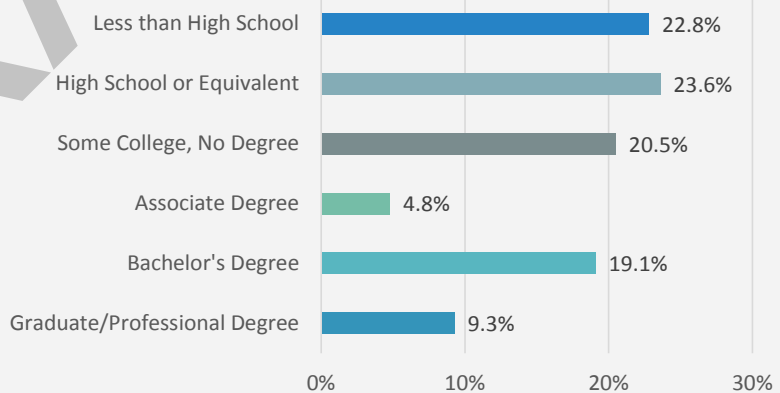


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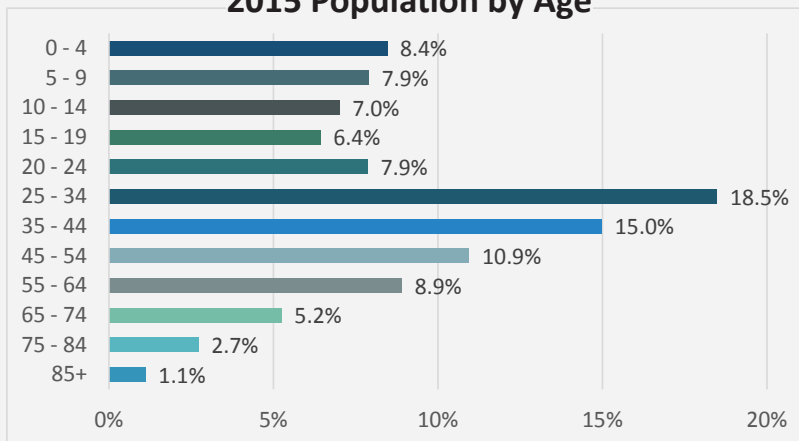
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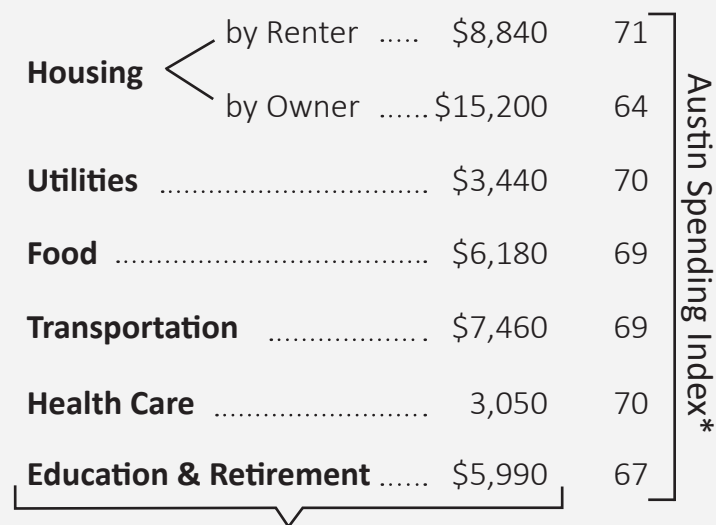


2015 Population by Age



CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 1

2015 Average Annual Household Spending on Affordability Cost Drivers

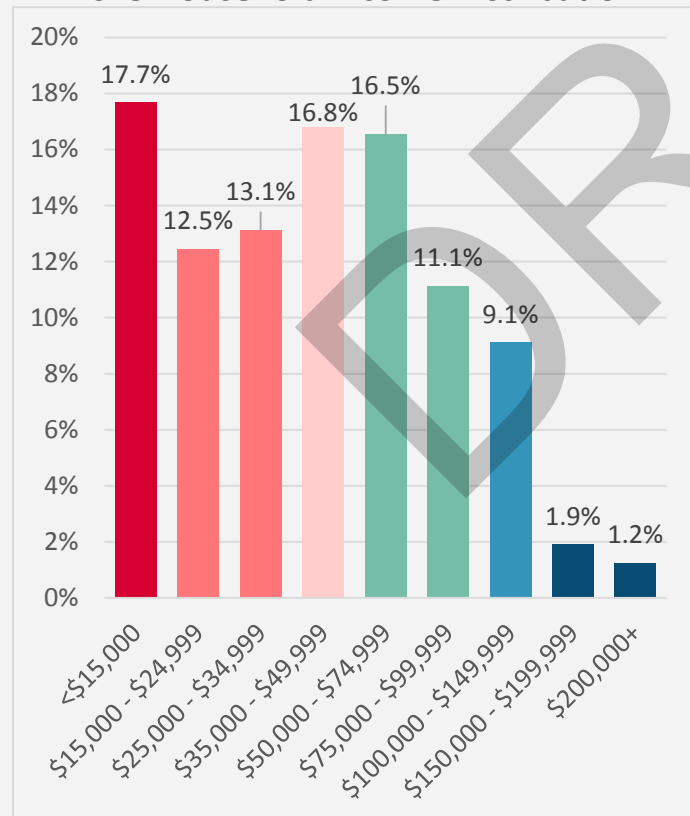


Annual Renter Spending: **\$34,960**

Annual Owner Spending: **\$41,320**

***Austin Spending Potential Index:** The Austin SPI is household-based, and represents the amount spent for a product or service relative to a citywide average of 100. If the index is greater than 100, district residents spend more on average on that product or service than the average Austinite.

2015 Household Income Distribution

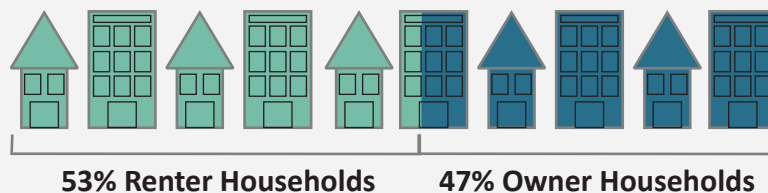


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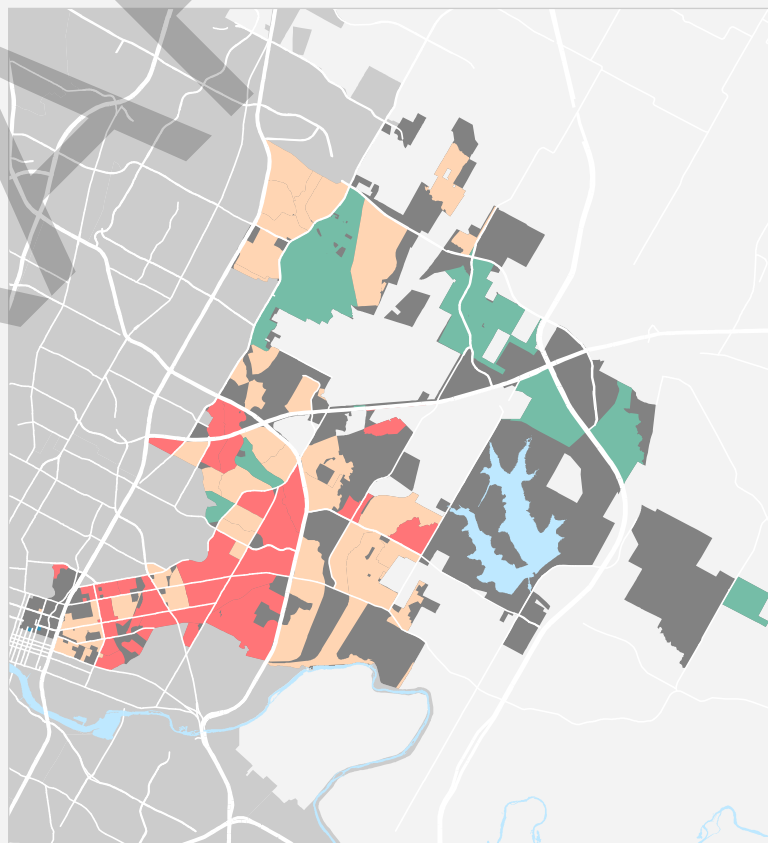
In District 1, renters spend **42%** less on average on housing costs than homeowners.



Child care is another major expense for some Austinites.

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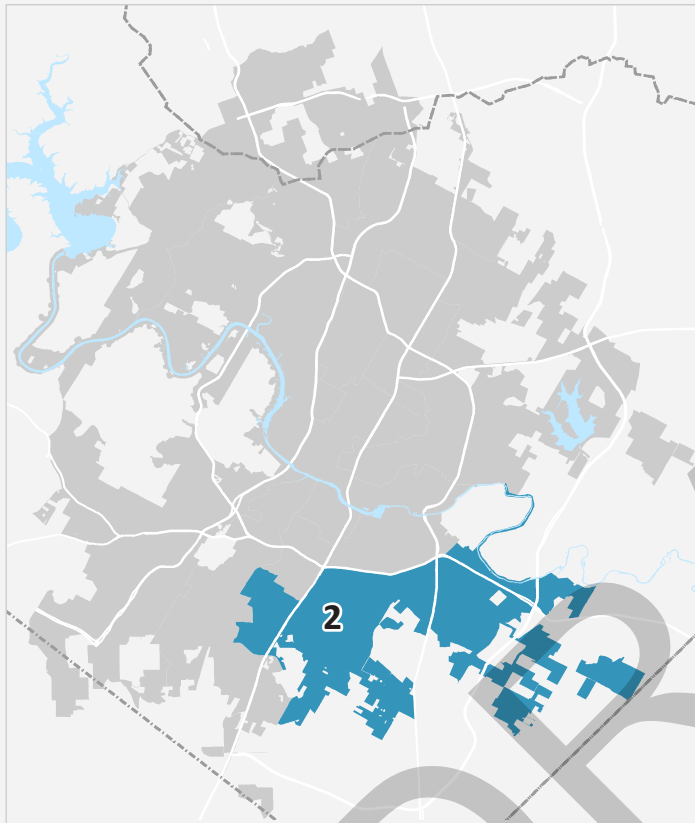
There are approximately 7,070 children under five in District 1.



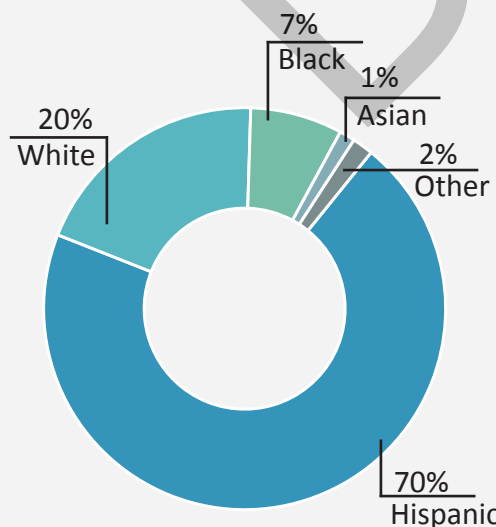
Note: the median 2015 household income for the City of Austin was \$52,458.

CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 2

\$41,130	2015 Median Household Income
3.11	2015 Average Household Size
\$150,080	2015 Median Appraised Home Value
\$2,660	2015 Median Estimated Property Tax Bill

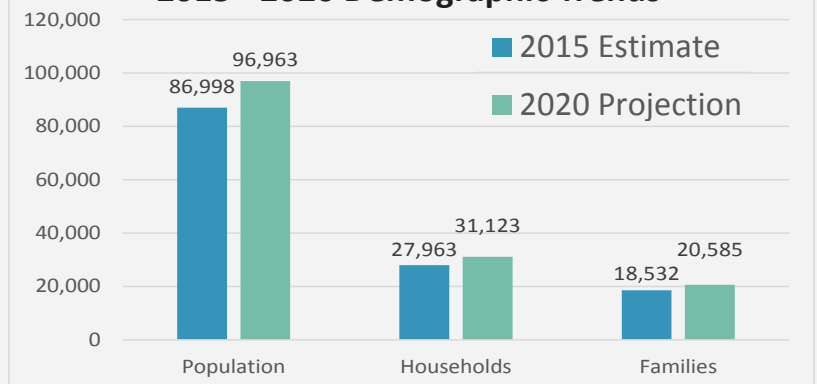


2015 Race and Hispanic Origin*



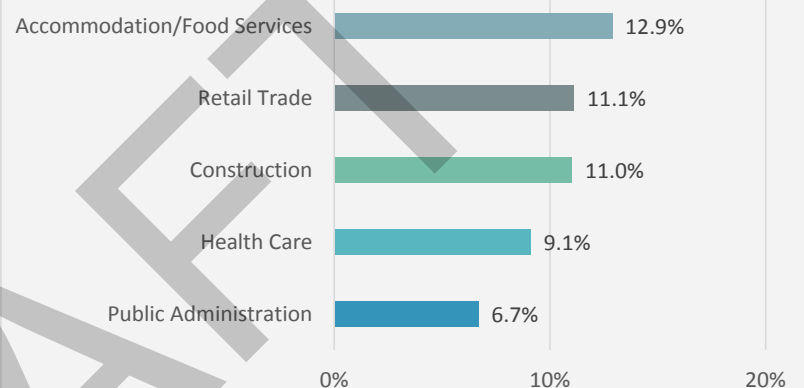
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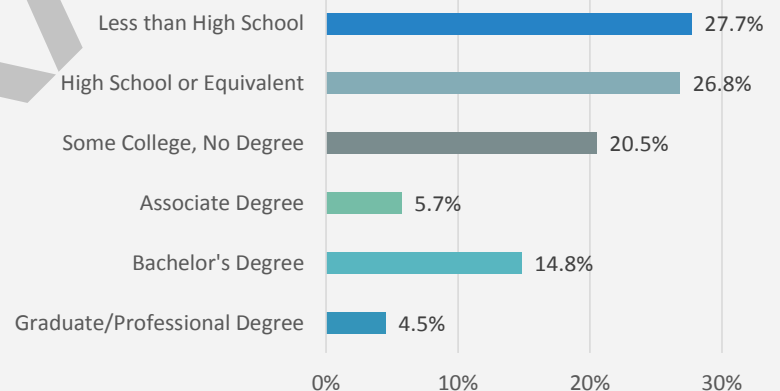


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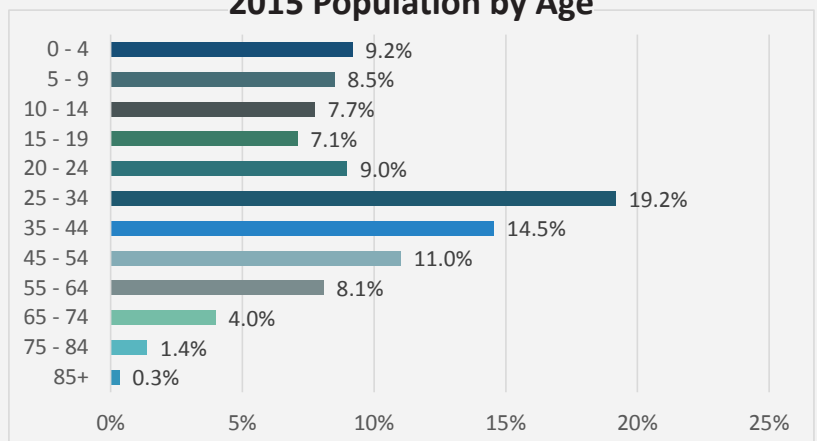
2015 Employed Population 16+ by Industry, Top 5



2015 Population 25+ by Educational Attainment



2015 Population by Age



CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 2

2015 Average Annual Household Spending on Affordability Cost Drivers

Housing	by Renter	\$8,770	71
	by Owner	\$14,110	60
Utilities		\$3,400	69
Food		\$6,070	67
Transportation		\$7,400	68
Health Care		\$2,950	67
Education & Retirement		\$5,850	65

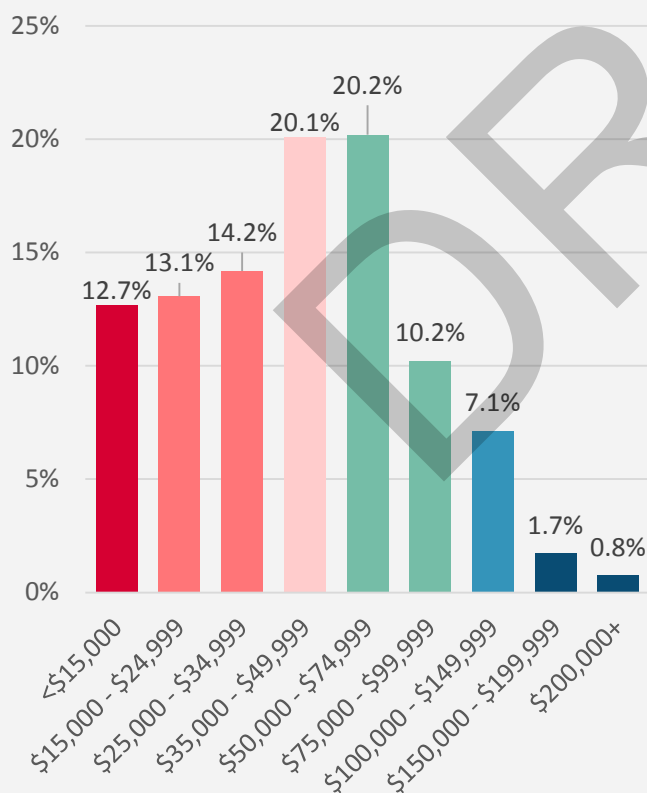
Austin Spending Index *

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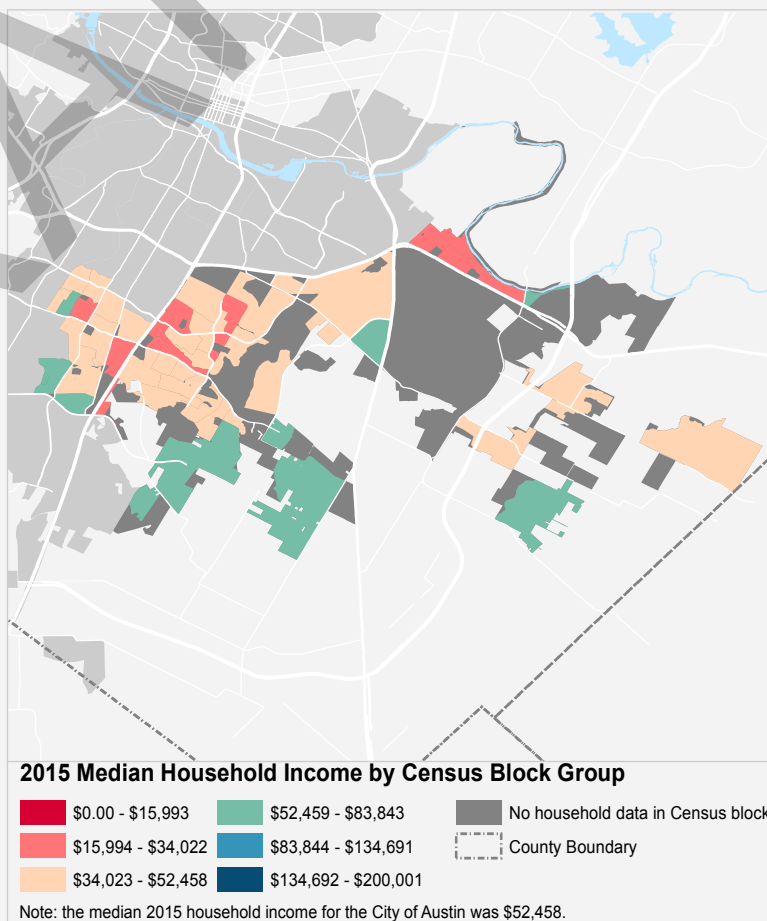
In District 2, renters spend **38%** less on average on housing costs than homeowners.



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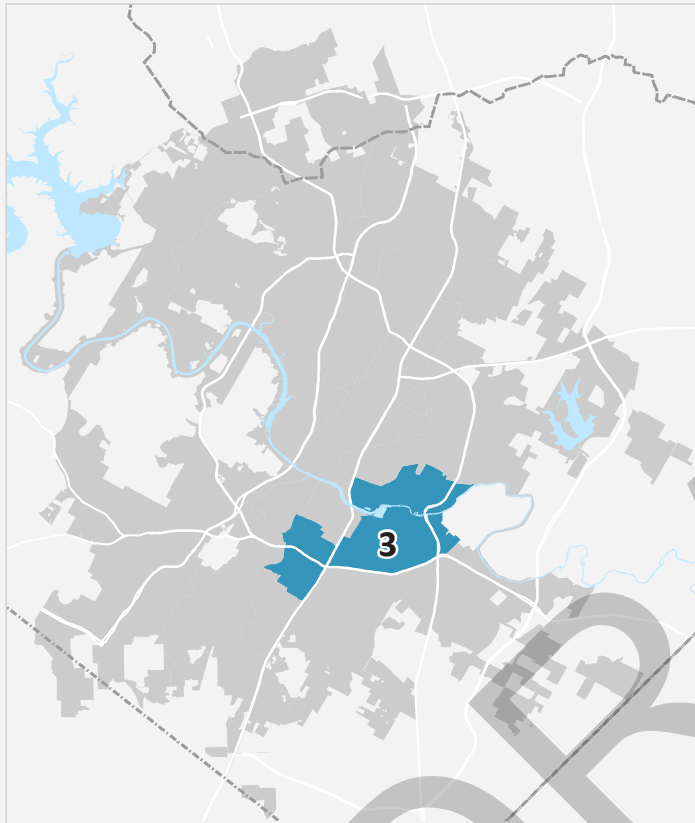
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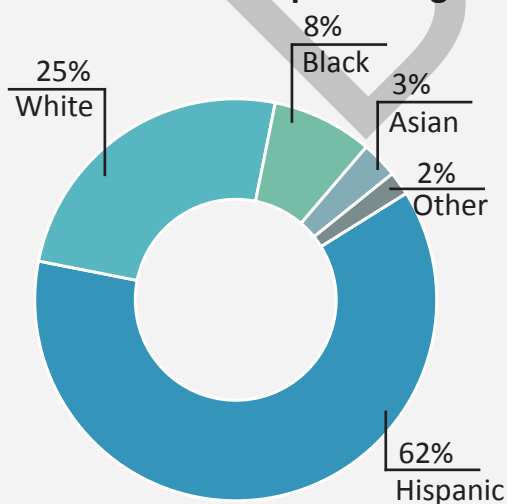


CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 3

\$29,430	2015 Median Household Income
2.48	2015 Average Household Size
\$224,850	2015 Median Appraised Home Value
\$3,540	2015 Median Estimated Property Tax Bill

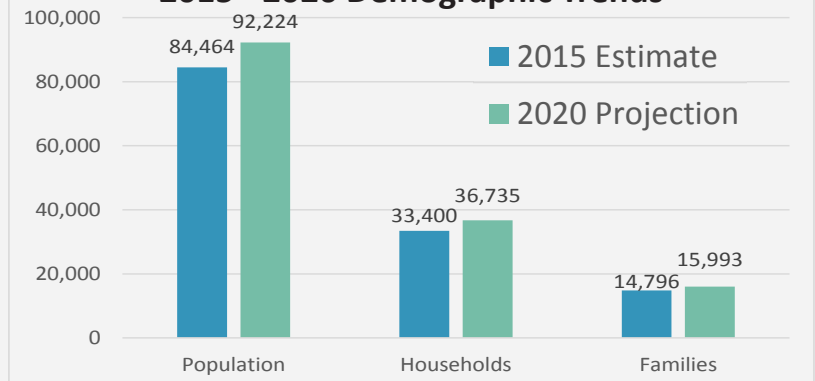


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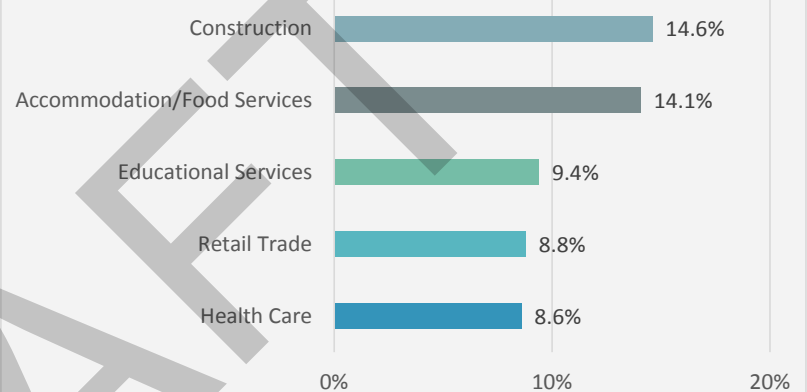
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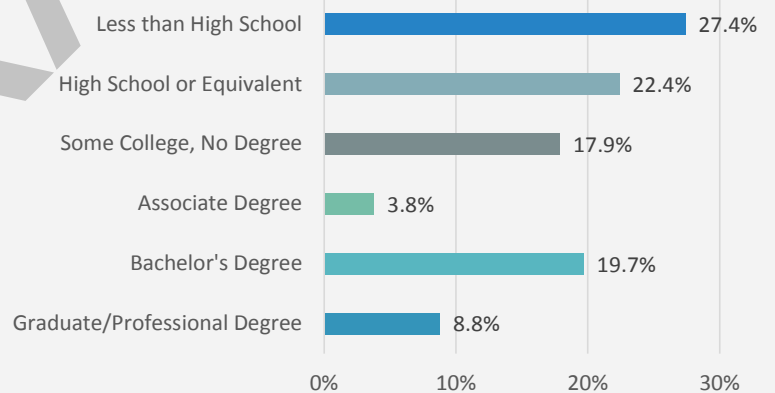


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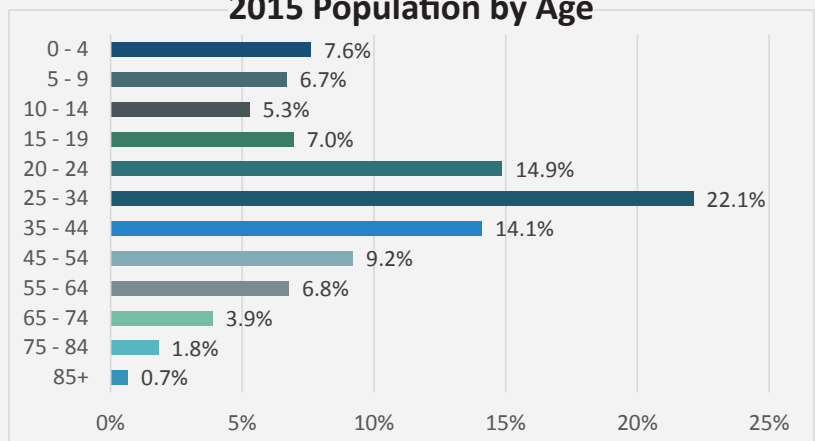
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2015 Population 25+ by Educational Attainment



2015 Population by Age



CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 3

2015 Average Annual Household Spending on Affordability Cost Drivers

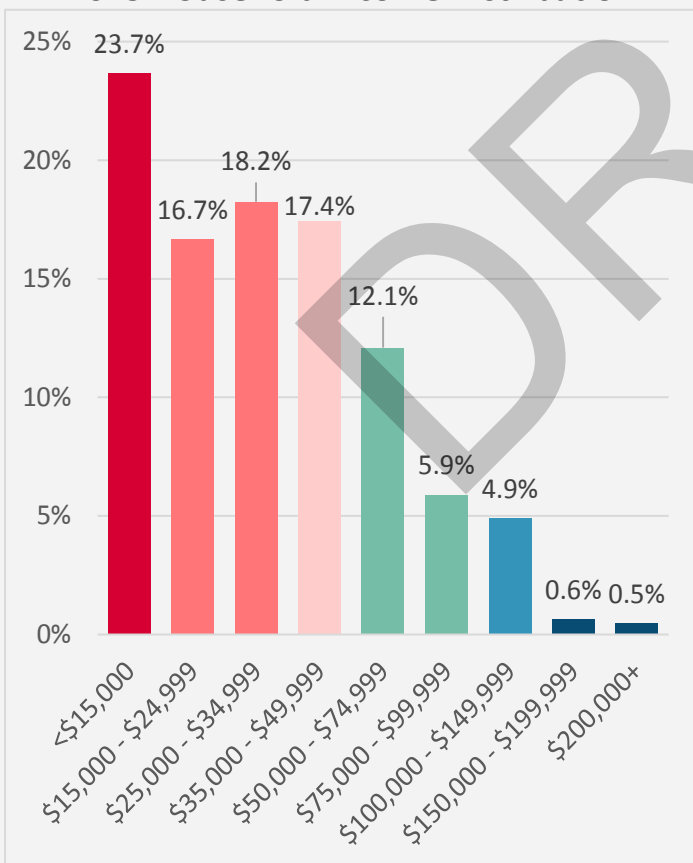


Annual Renter Spending: **\$25,690**

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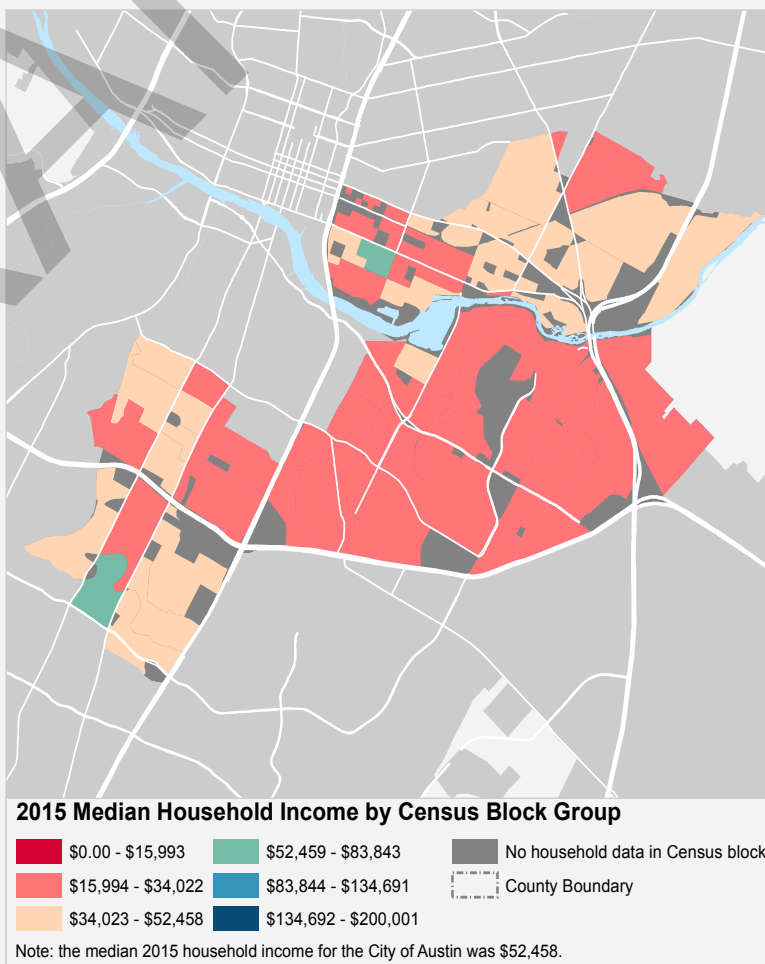
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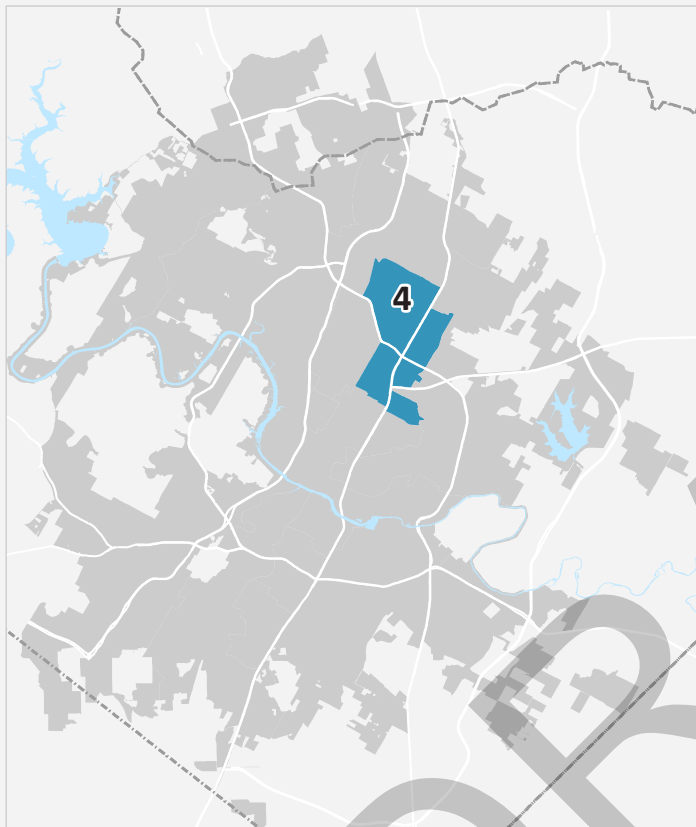
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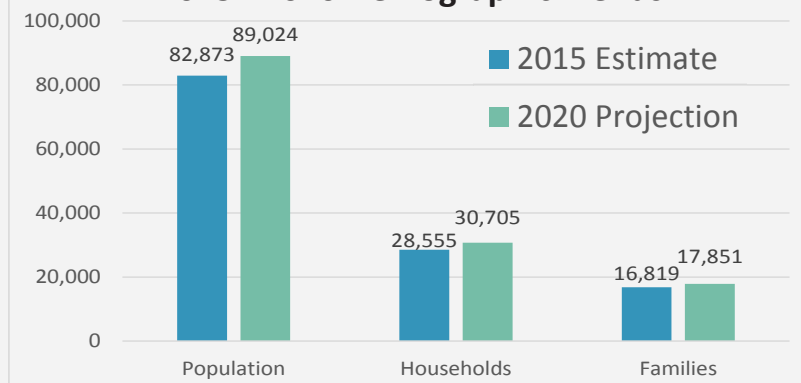


CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 4

\$33,840	2015 Median Household Income
2.90	2015 Average Household Size
\$178,360	2015 Median Appraised Home Value
\$3,090	2015 Median Estimated Property Tax Bill

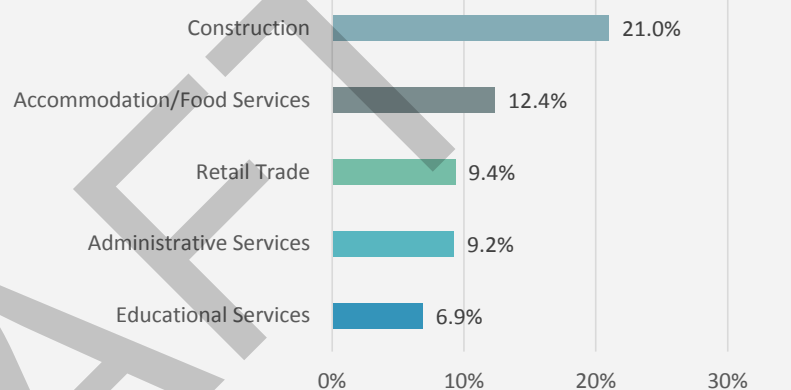


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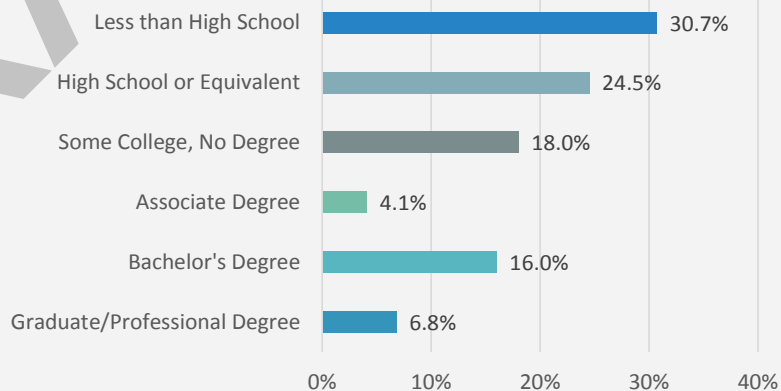


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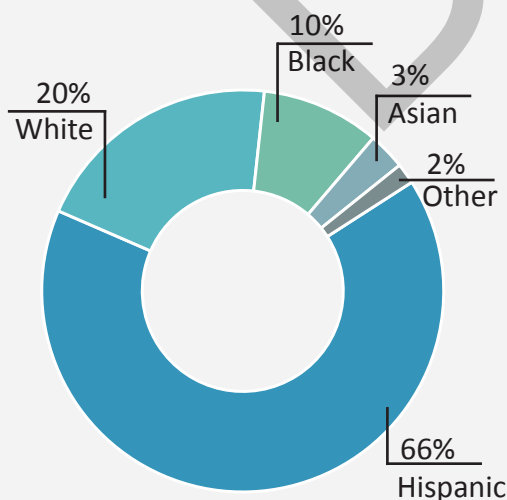
2015 Employed Population 16+ by Industry, Top 5



2015 Population 25+ by Educational Attainment

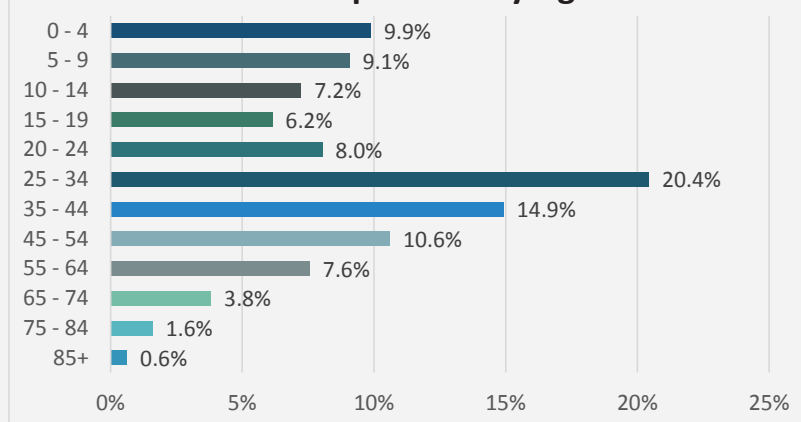


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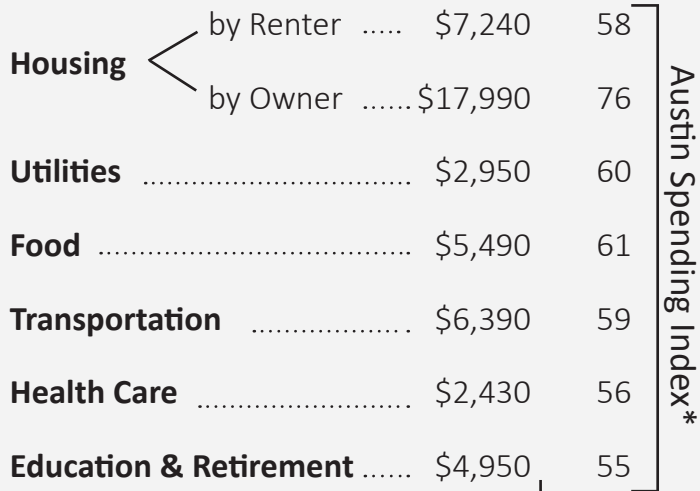
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2015 Population by Age



CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 4

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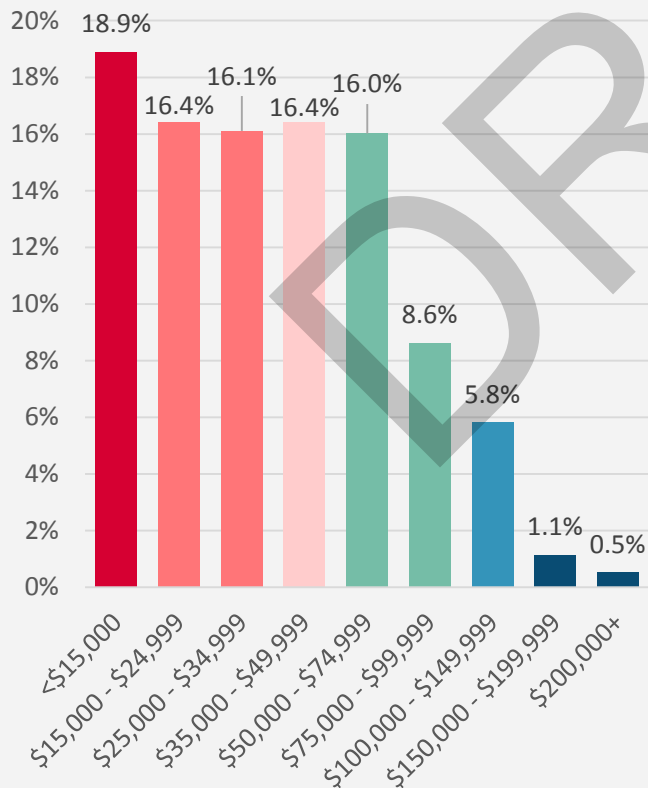


Annual Renter Spending: \$29,450

Annual Owner Spending: \$40,200

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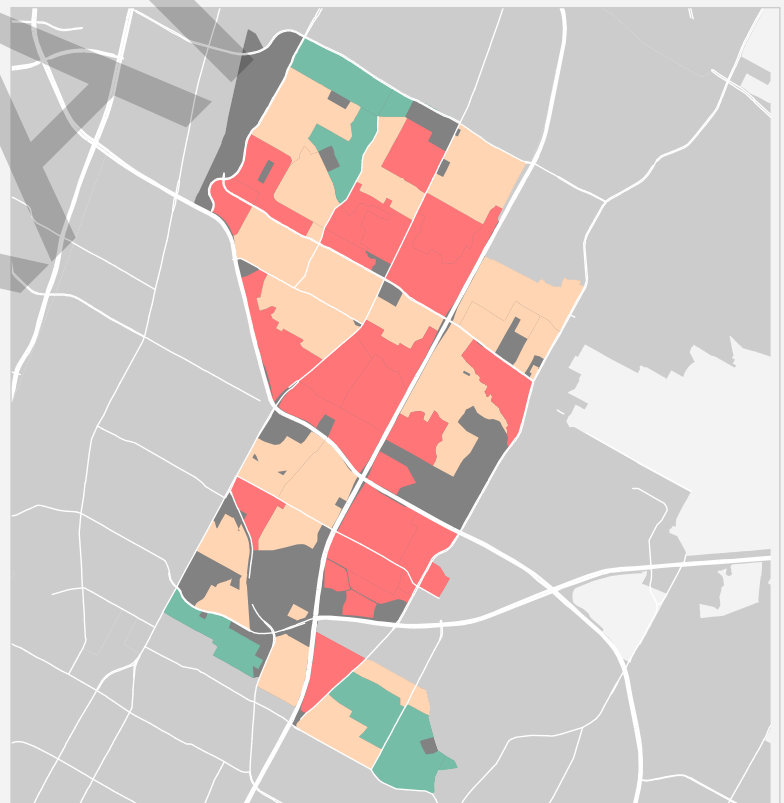
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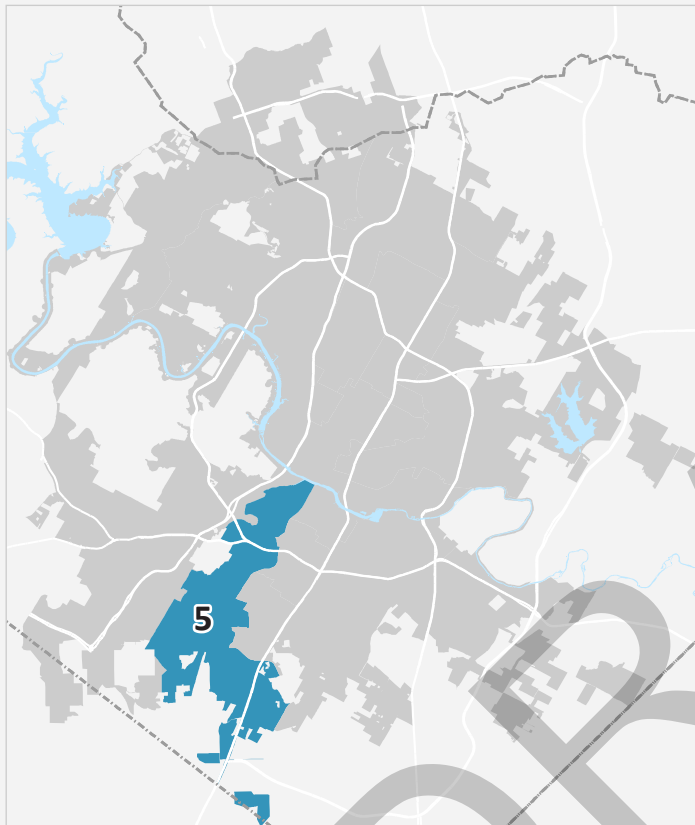
2015 Median Household Income by Census Block Group



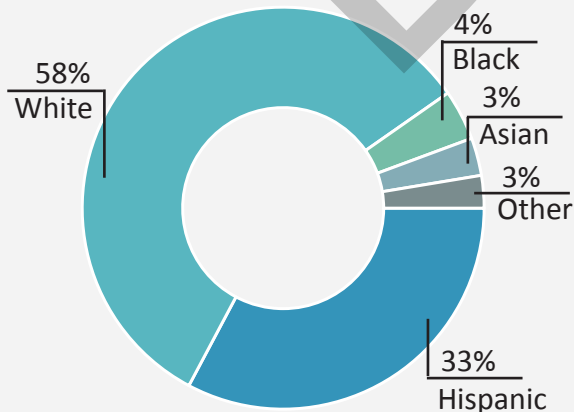
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CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 5

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2.19	2015 Average Household Size
\$233,290	2015 Median Appraised Home Value
\$4,350	2015 Median Estimated Property Tax Bill

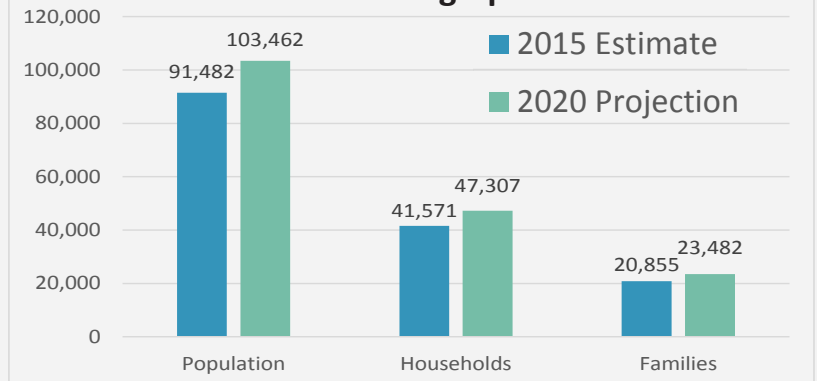


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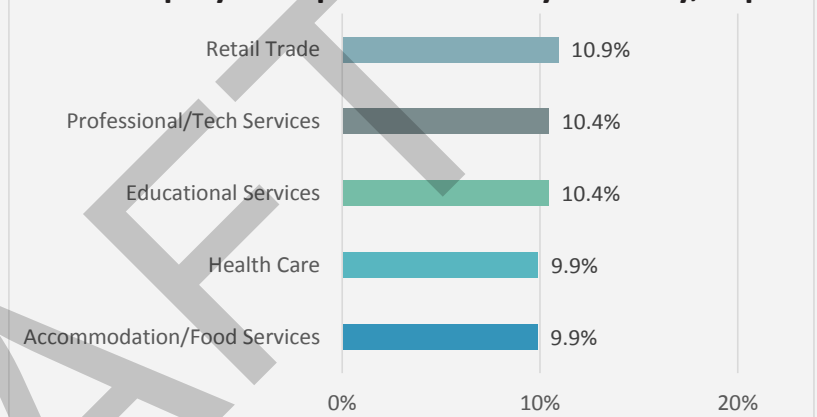
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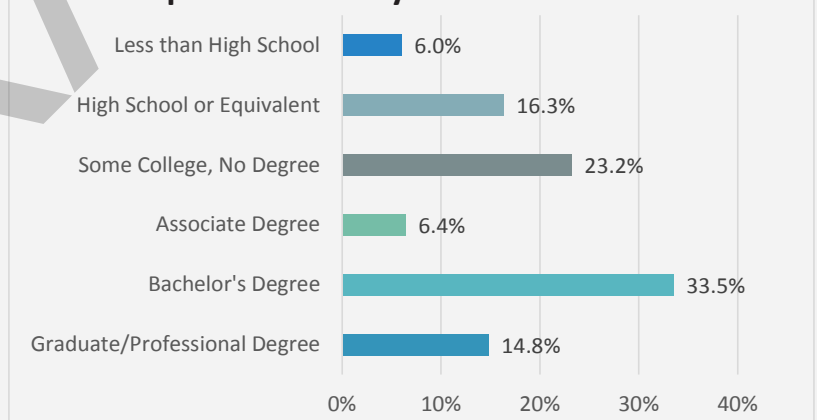


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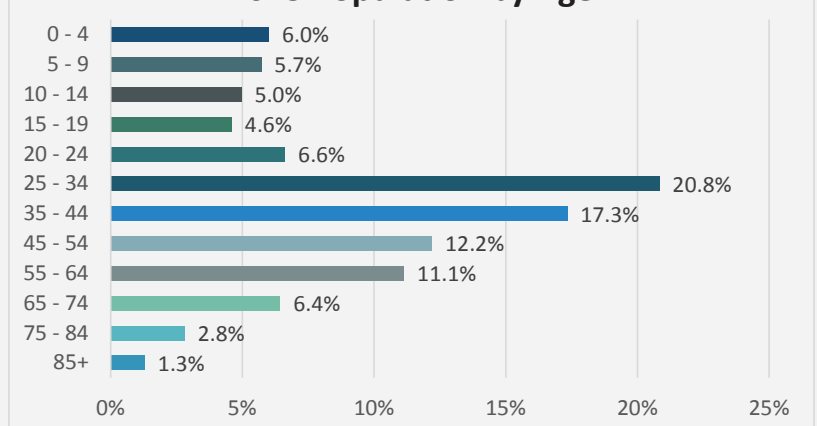
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	by Owner	\$20,510	87
Utilities		\$4,770	97
Food		\$8,570	95
Transportation		\$10,480	97
Health Care		\$4,320	99
Education & Retirement		\$8,520	95

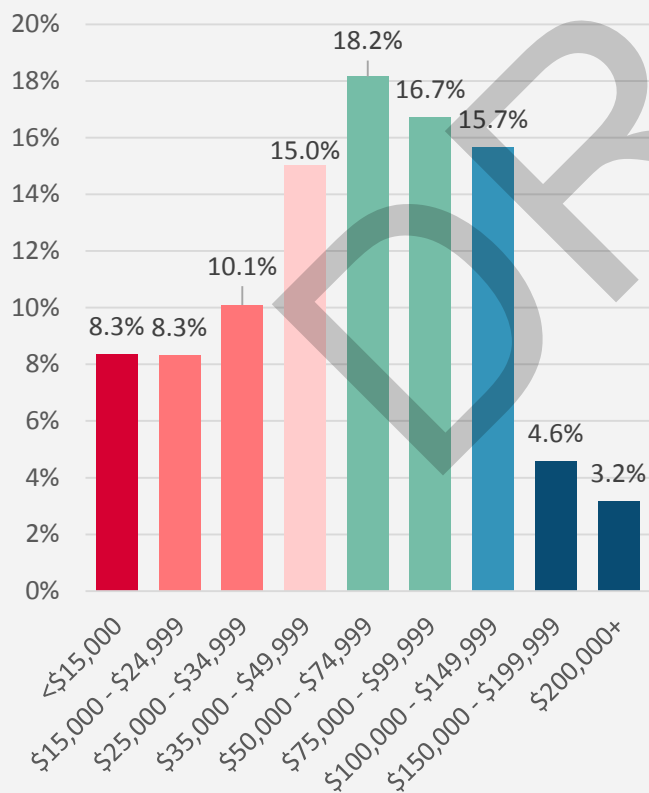
Austin Spending Index *

Annual Renter Spending: **\$48,960**

Annual Owner Spending: **\$57,170**

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2015 Household Income Distribution



\$59,000 2015 Median Household Income

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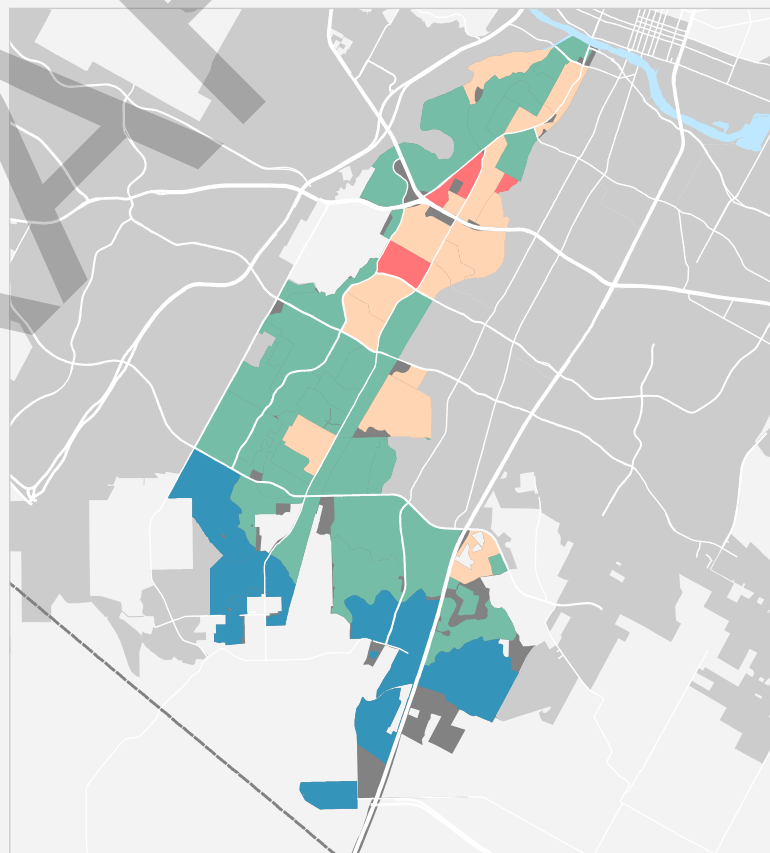
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There are approximately 5,500 children under five in District 5.



2015 Median Household Income by Census Block Group



Note: the median 2015 household income for the City of Austin was \$52,458.

CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 6

\$78,510

2015 Median Household Income

2.28

2015 Average Household Size

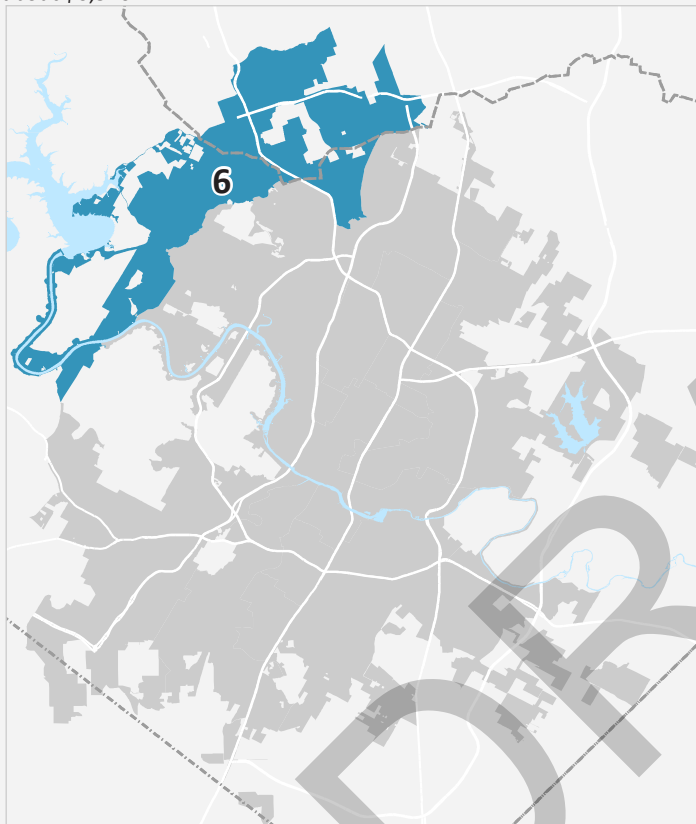
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2015 Median Appraised Home Value[†]

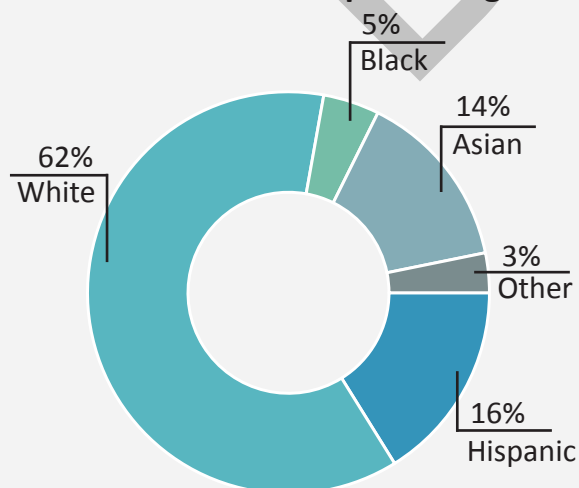
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2015 Median Estimated Property Tax Bill[†]

[†]Estimated 2015 property taxes and appraisal values for all Council districts were calculated using Travis Central Appraisal District (TCAD) data. However, approximately half the residential properties in District 6 are located in the Williamson Central Appraisal District (WCAD). The median appraisal value of District 6 residential properties using both TCAD and WCAD data was \$304,835 in 2015. Testing indicated that the median estimated property tax bill for all residential properties in District 6 is about \$6,540.

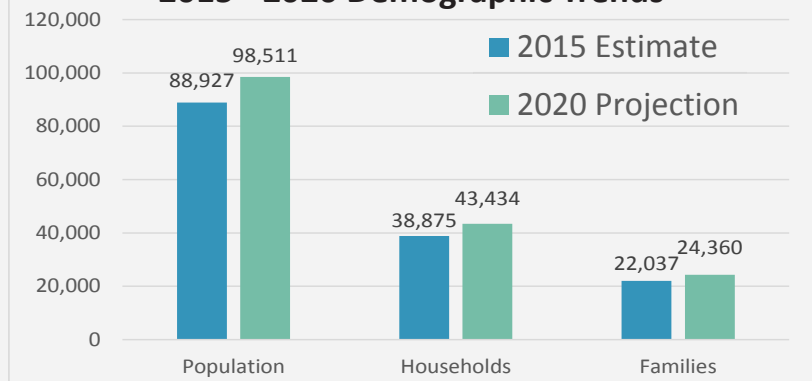


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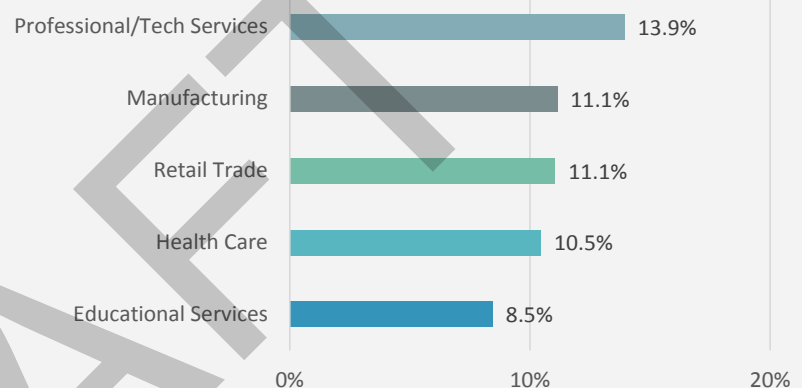
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2015 - 2020 Demographic Trends

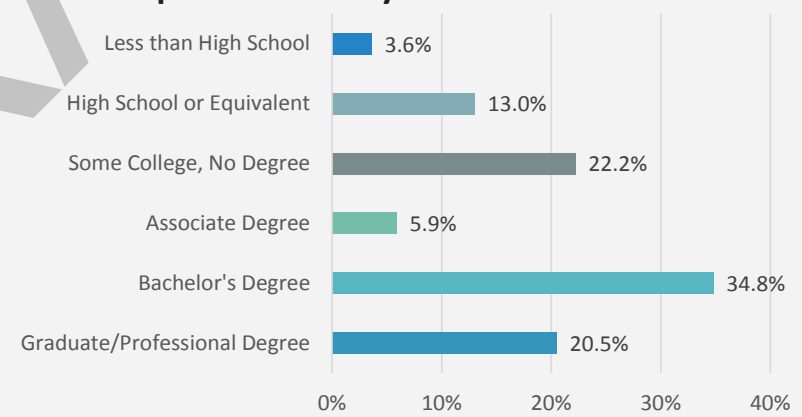


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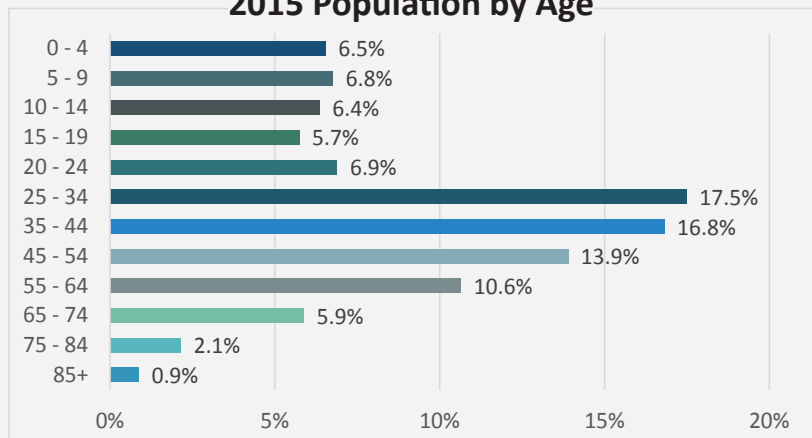
2015 Employed Population 16+ by Industry, Top 5



2015 Population 25+ by Educational Attainment



2015 Population by Age



CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 6

2015 Average Annual Household Spending on Affordability Cost Drivers

Housing	by Renter	\$14,550	117
	by Owner	\$30,990	131
Utilities		\$6,230	127
Food		\$11,410	127
Transportation		\$13,850	128
Health Care		\$5,630	129
Education & Retirement		\$11,760	131

Austin Spending Index *

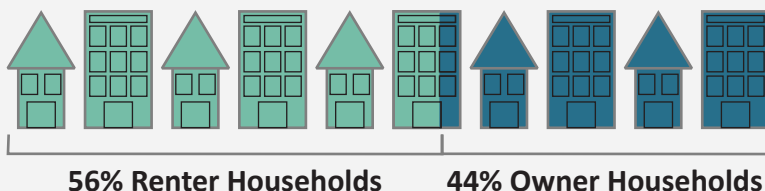
Annual Renter Spending: **\$63,430**

Annual Owner Spending: **\$79,870**

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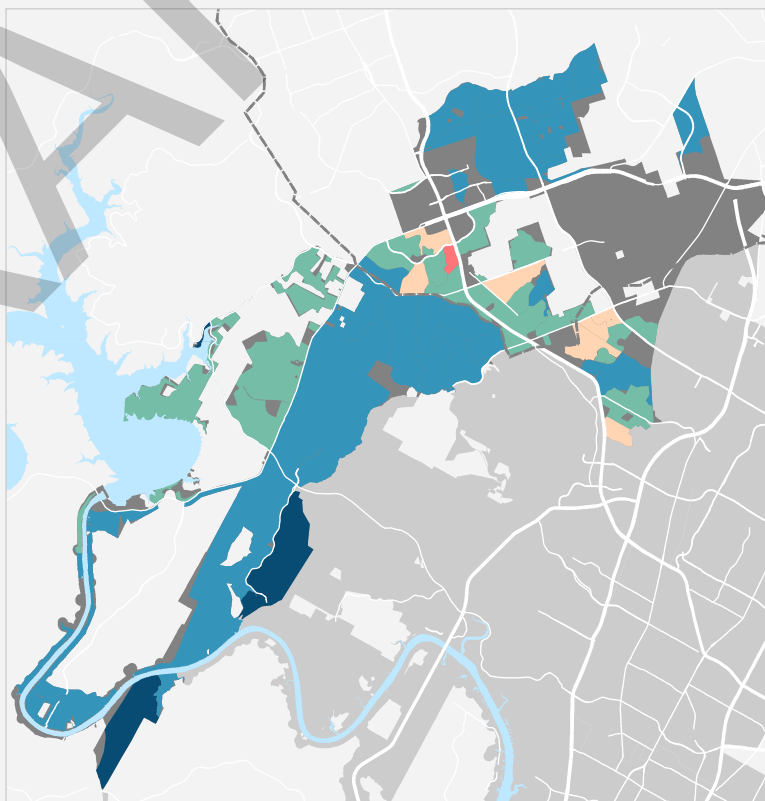
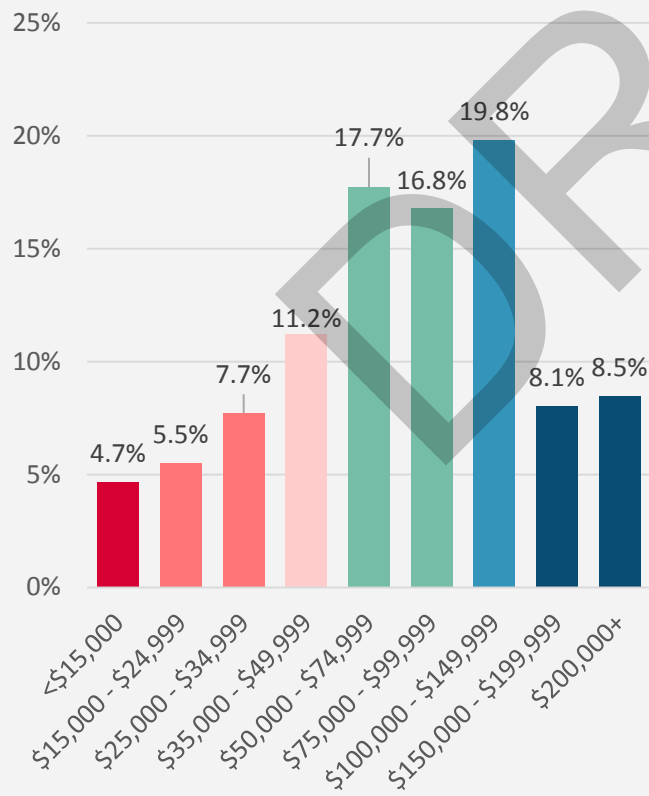


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In 2015, the average cost per child of full-time child care in Travis County was **\$7,720**.

There are approximately 5,810 children under five in District 6.

2015 Household Income Distribution



2015 Median Household Income by Census Block Group



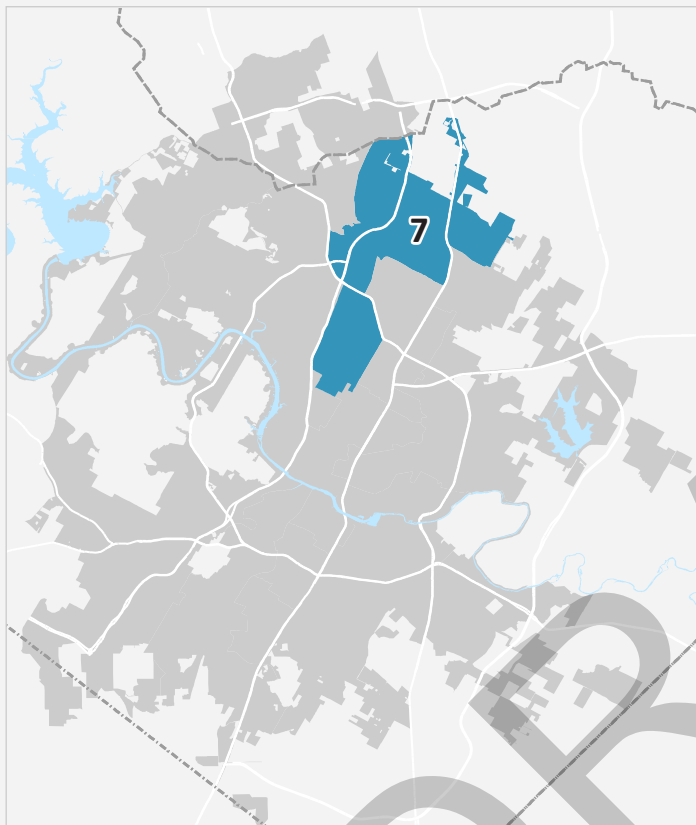
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\$78,510 2015 Median Household Income

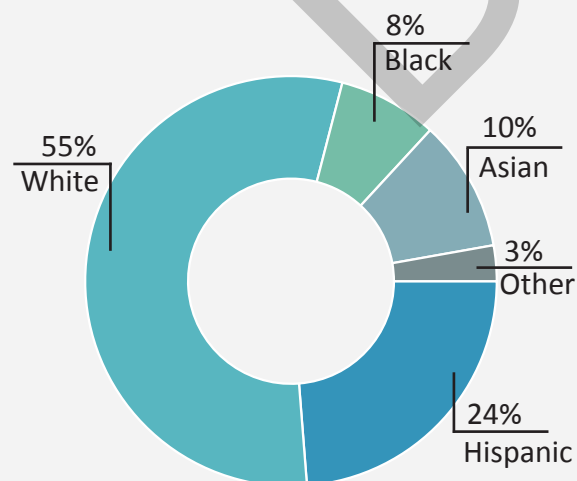
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CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 7

\$55,750	2015 Median Household Income
2.06	2015 Average Household Size
\$264,140	2015 Median Appraised Home Value
\$4,970	2015 Median Estimated Property Tax Bill

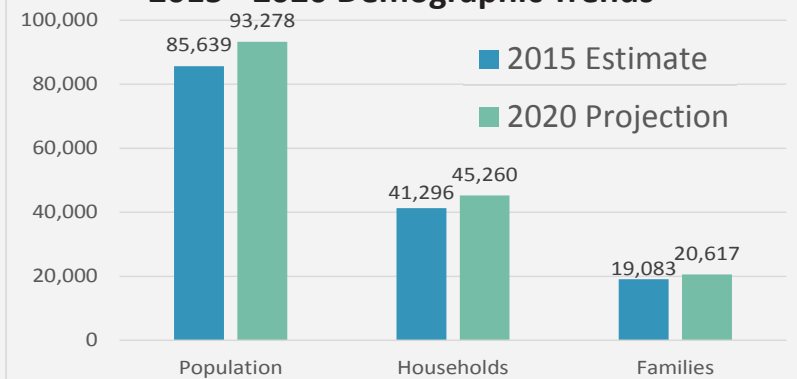


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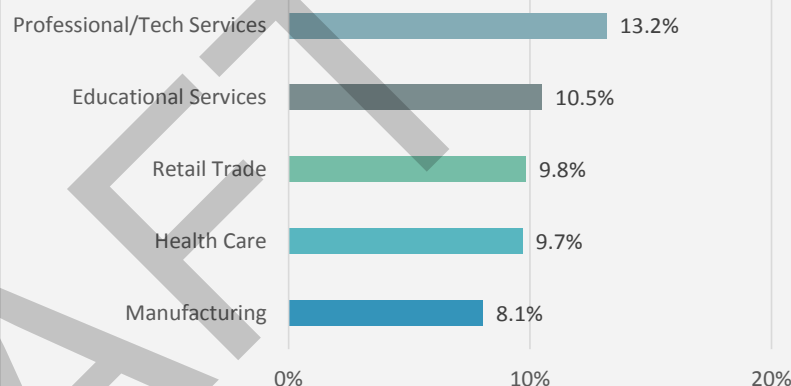
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2015 - 2020 Demographic Trends

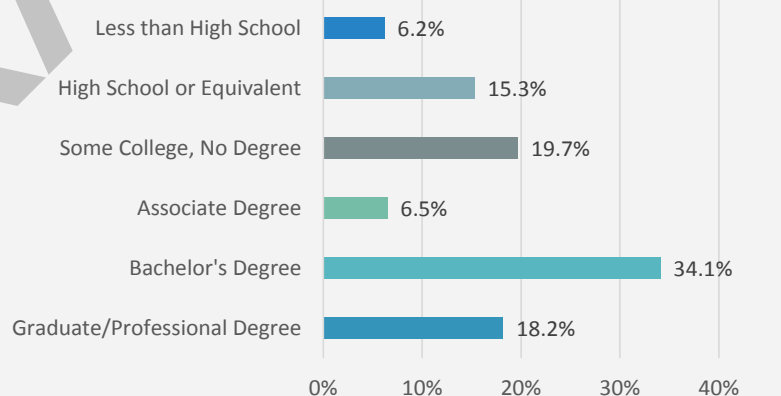


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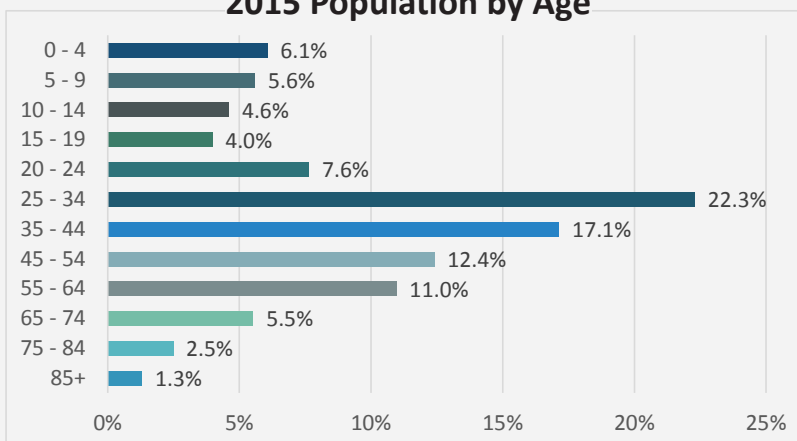
2015 Employed Population 16+ by Industry, Top 5



2015 Population 25+ by Educational Attainment



2015 Population by Age



CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 7

2015 Average Annual Household Spending on Affordability Cost Drivers

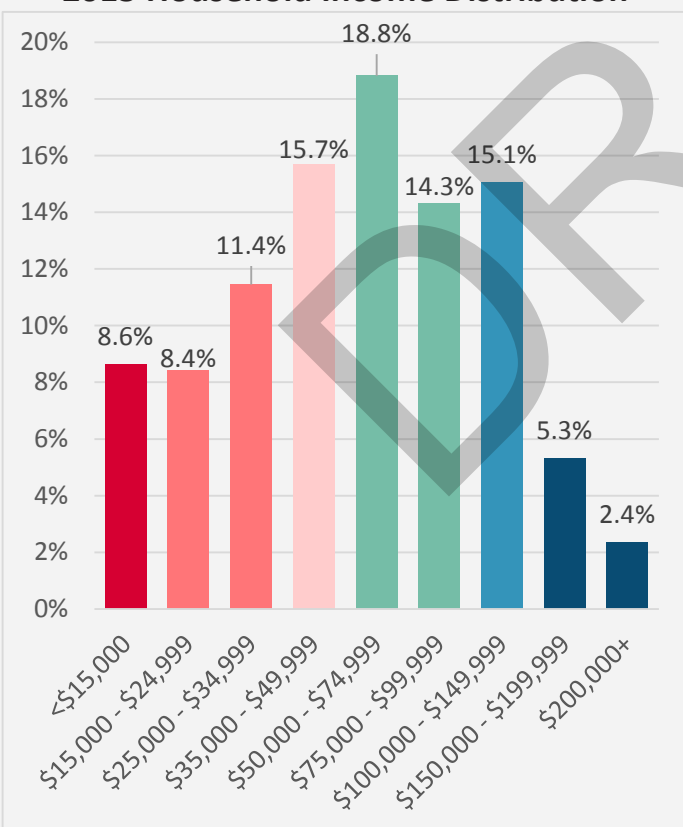


Annual Renter Spending: \$45,700

Annual Owner Spending: \$57,530

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2015 Household Income Distribution

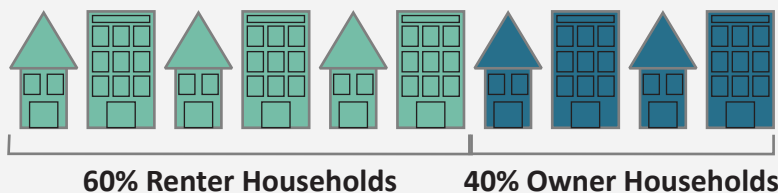


\$55,750 2015 Median Household Income

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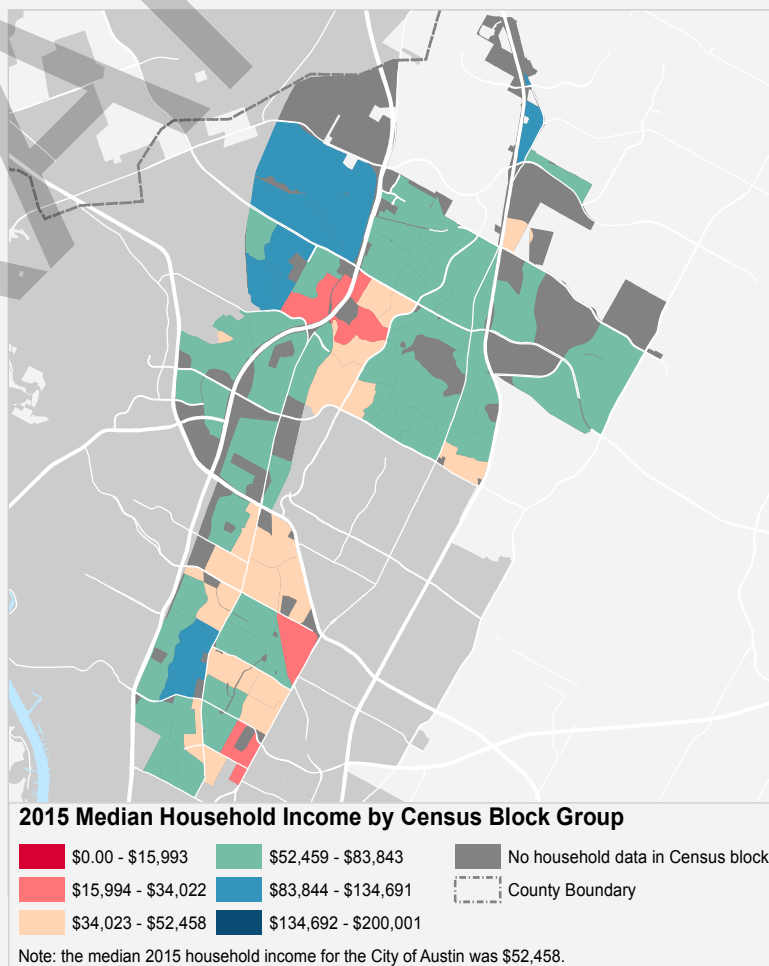
In District 7, renters spend **52% less** on average on housing costs than homeowners.



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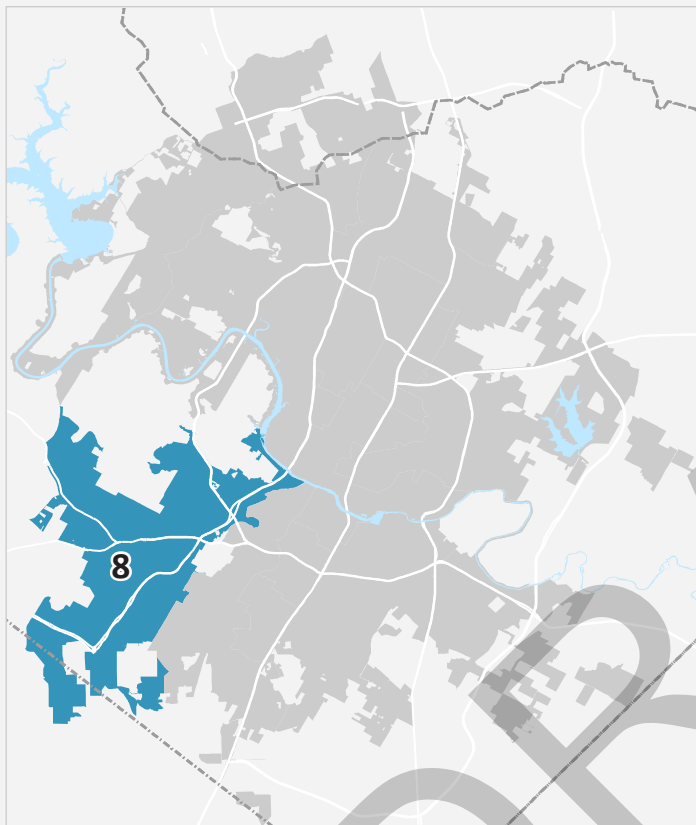
In 2015, the average cost per child of full-time child care in Travis County was **\$7,720**.

There are approximately 5,190 children under five in District 7.

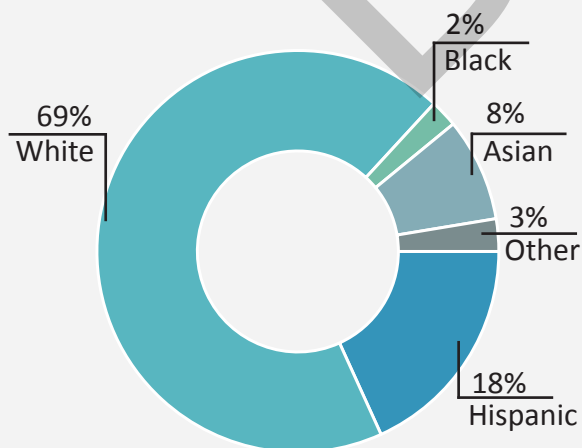


CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 8

\$94,240	2015 Median Household Income
2.47	2015 Average Household Size
\$346,380	2015 Median Appraised Home Value
\$6,650	2015 Median Estimated Property Tax Bill

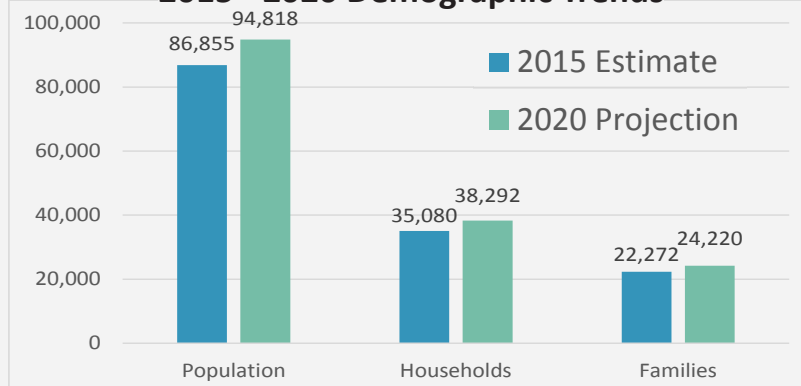


2015 Race and Hispanic Origin*



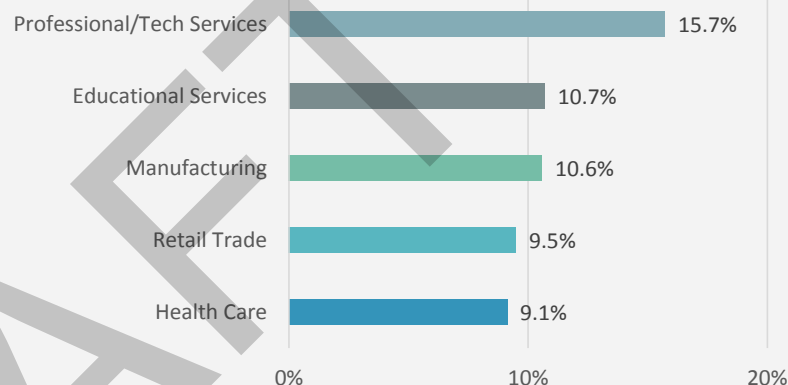
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2015 - 2020 Demographic Trends

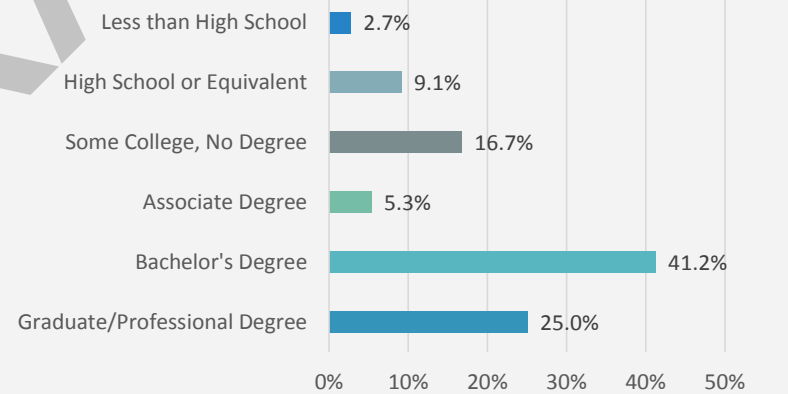


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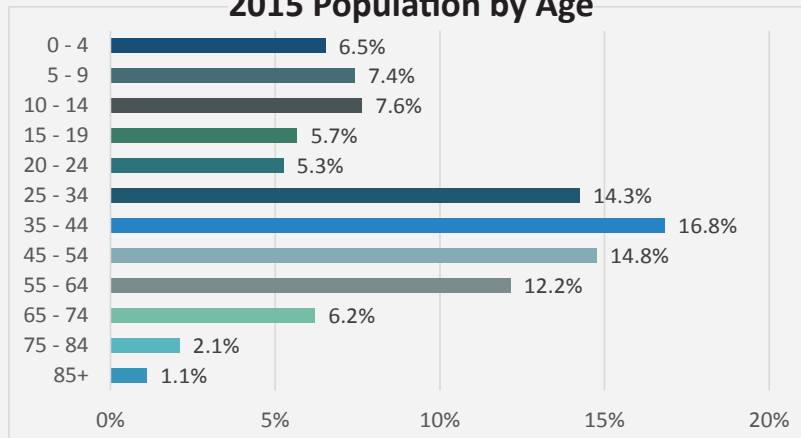
2015 Employed Population 16+ by Industry, Top 5



2015 Population 25+ by Educational Attainment



2015 Population by Age



CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 8

2015 Average Annual Household Spending on Affordability Cost Drivers

Housing	by Renter	\$18,510	149
	by Owner	\$30,860	130
Utilities		\$7,510	152
Food		\$13,700	152
Transportation		\$16,780	155
Health Care		\$7,220	165
Education & Retirement		\$15,070	168

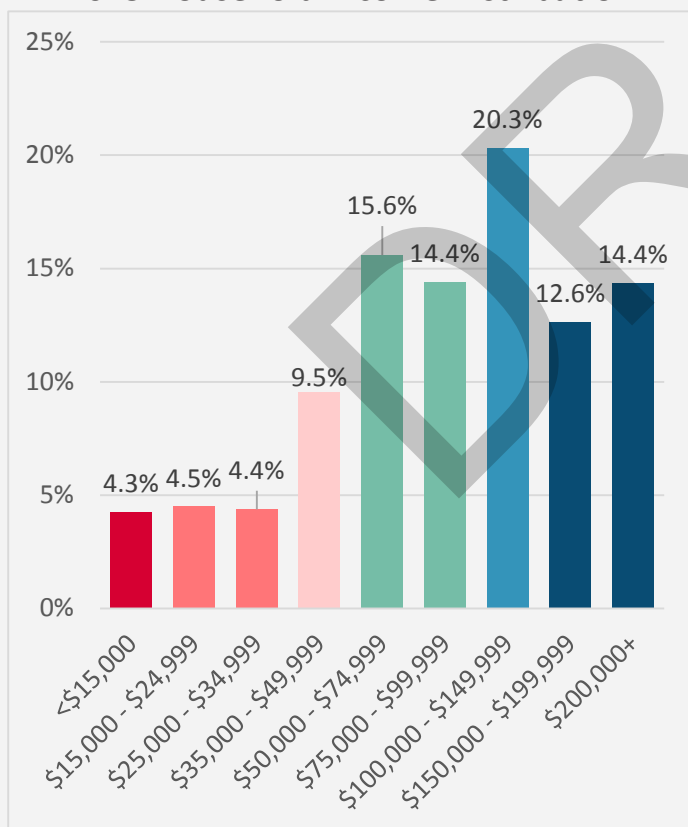
Austin Spending Index *

Annual Renter Spending: **\$78,790**

Annual Owner Spending: **\$91,140**

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2015 Household Income Distribution



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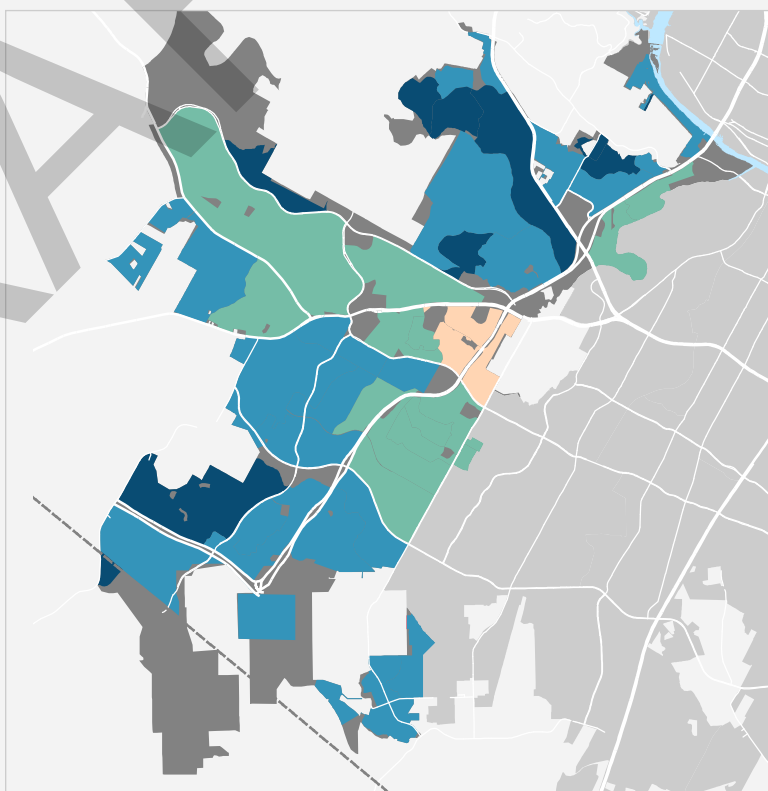
37% Renter Households

63% Owner Households

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There are approximately 5,670 children under five in District 8.



2015 Median Household Income by Census Block Group



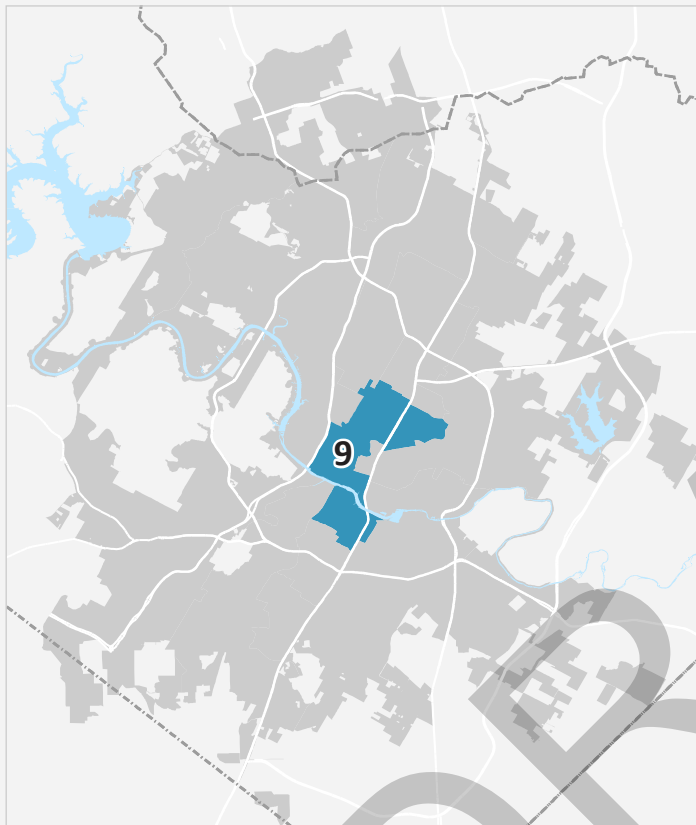
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\$94,240 2015 Median Household Income

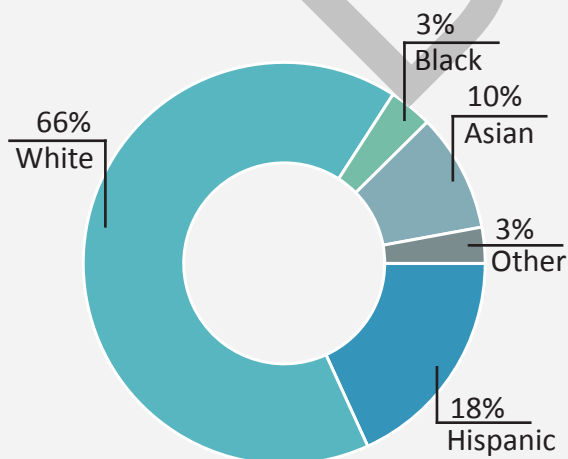
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CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 9

\$39,230	2015 Median Household Income
1.83	2015 Average Household Size
\$457,450	2015 Median Appraised Home Value
\$8,530	2015 Median Estimated Property Tax Bill

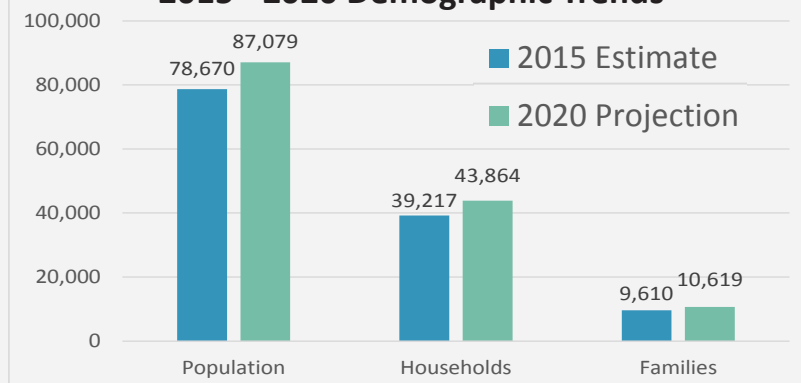


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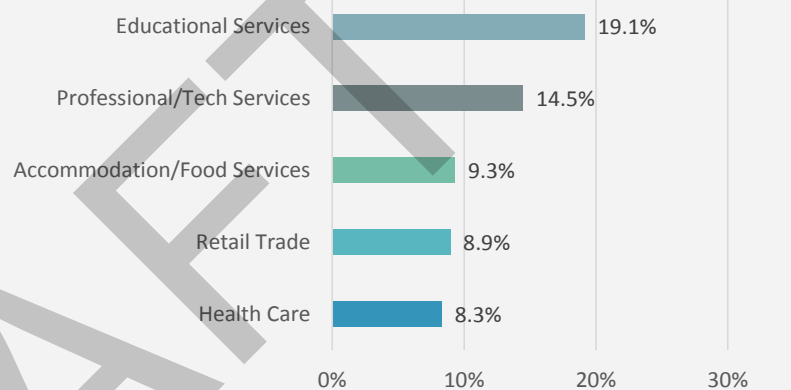
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2015 - 2020 Demographic Trends

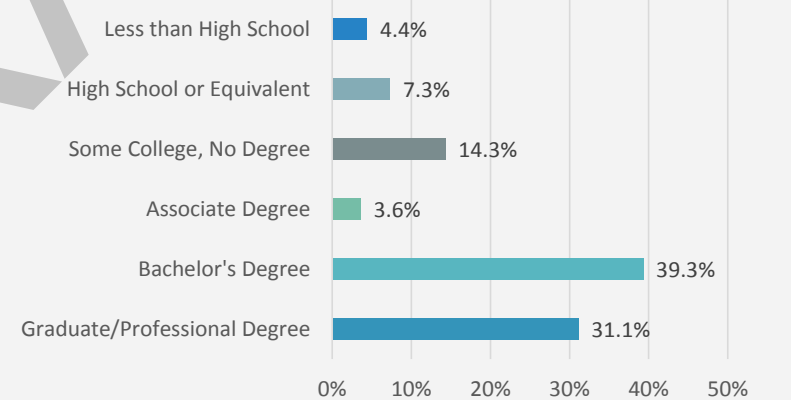


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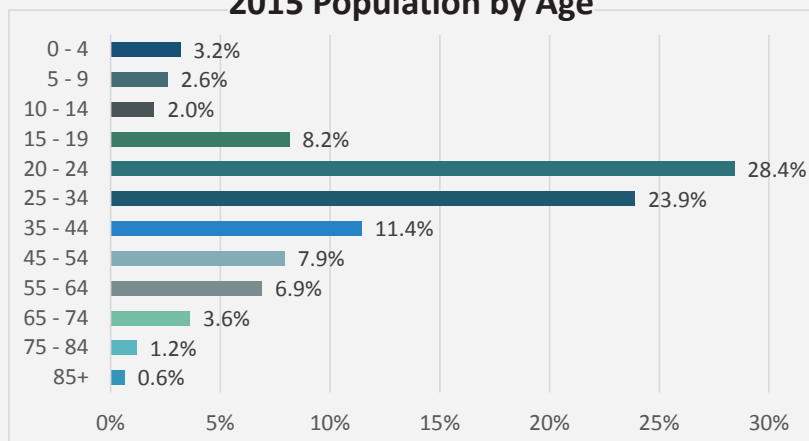
2015 Employed Population 16+ by Industry, Top 5



2015 Population 25+ by Educational Attainment



2015 Population by Age



CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 9

2015 Average Annual Household Spending on Affordability Cost Drivers

Housing	by Renter	\$11,210	90
	by Owner	\$26,340	111
Utilities		\$4,100	83
Food		\$7,790	86
Transportation		\$9,210	85
Health Care		\$3,430	78
Education & Retirement		\$7,540	84

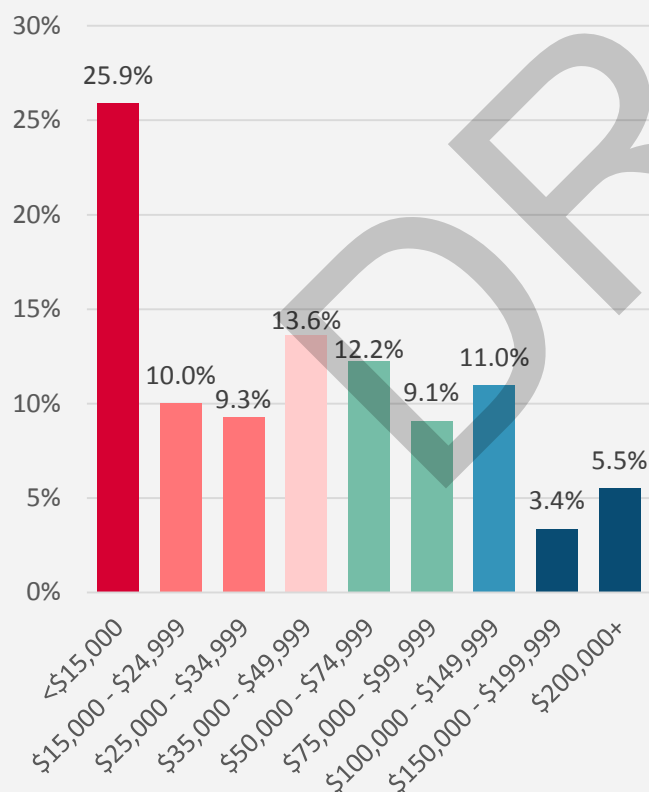
Austin Spending Index*

Annual Renter Spending: **\$43,280**

Annual Owner Spending: **\$58,410**

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2015 Household Income Distribution



\$39,230 2015 Median Household Income

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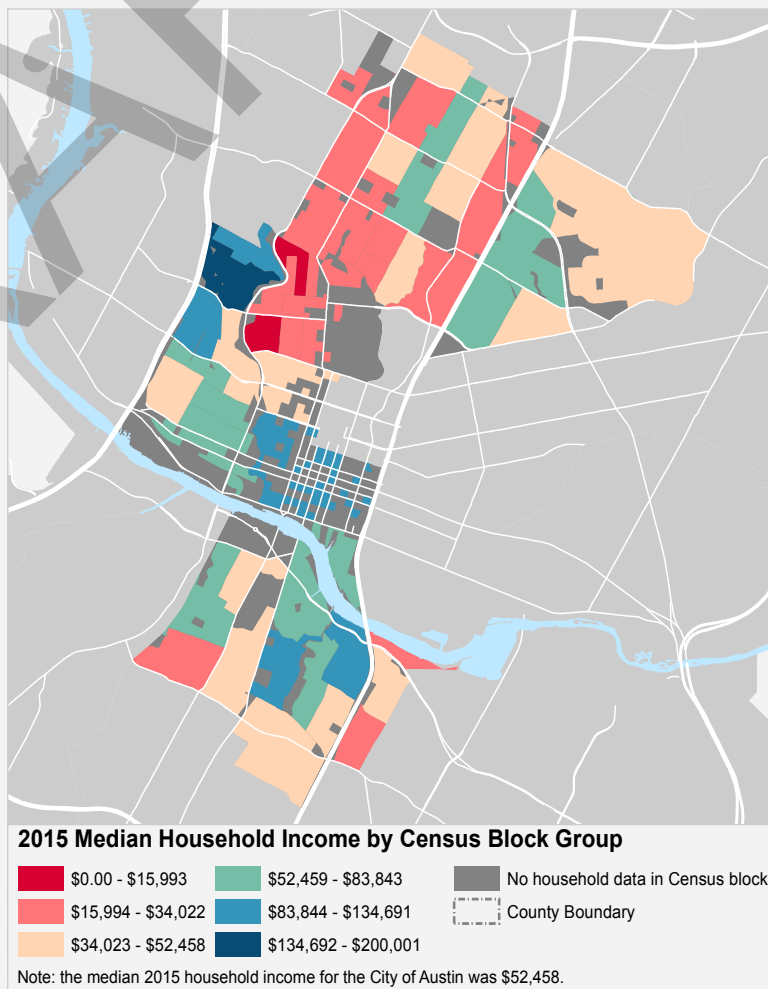
In District 9, renters spend **57%** less on average on housing costs than homeowners.



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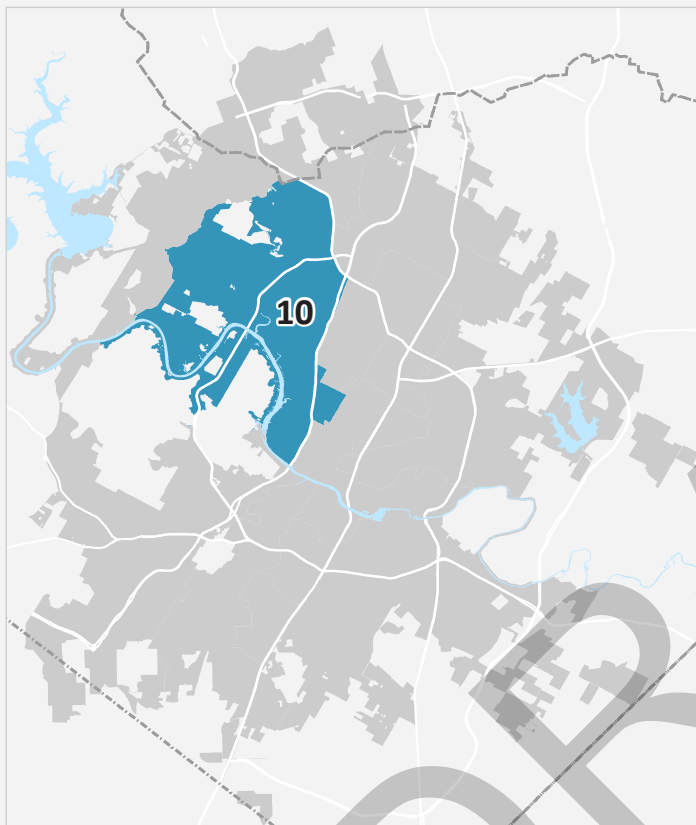
In 2015, the average cost per child of full-time child care in Travis County was **\$7,720**.

There are approximately 2,510 children under five in District 9.

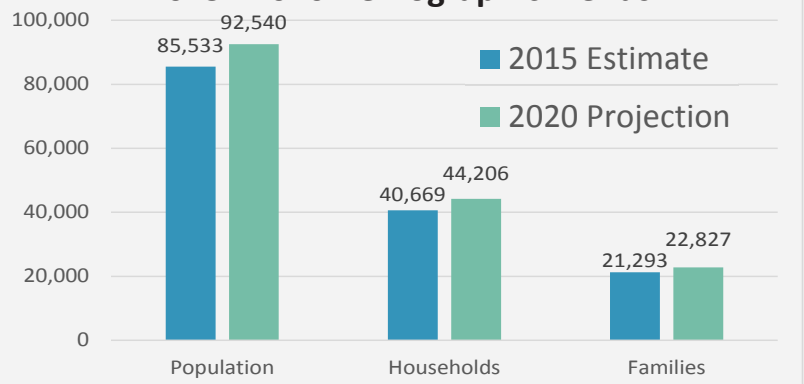


CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 10

\$83,890	2015 Median Household Income
2.09	2015 Average Household Size
\$522,270	2015 Median Appraised Home Value
\$9,810	2015 Median Estimated Property Tax Bill

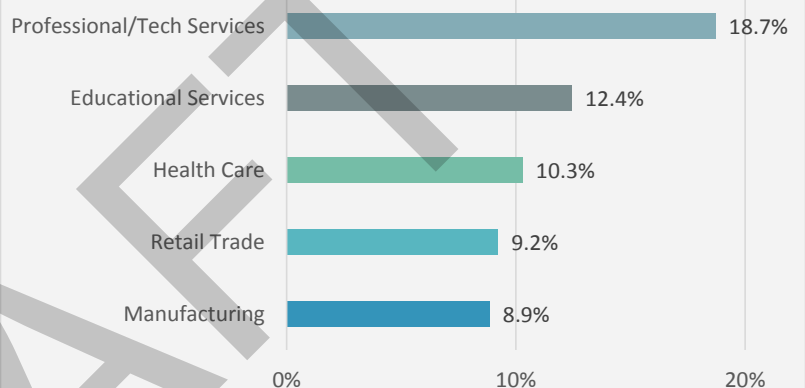


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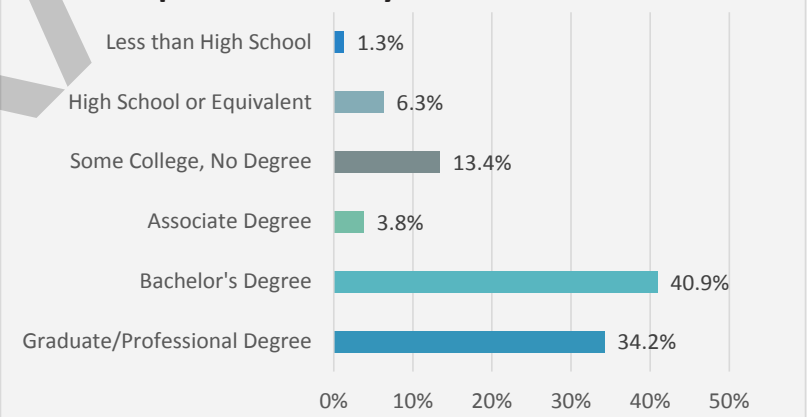


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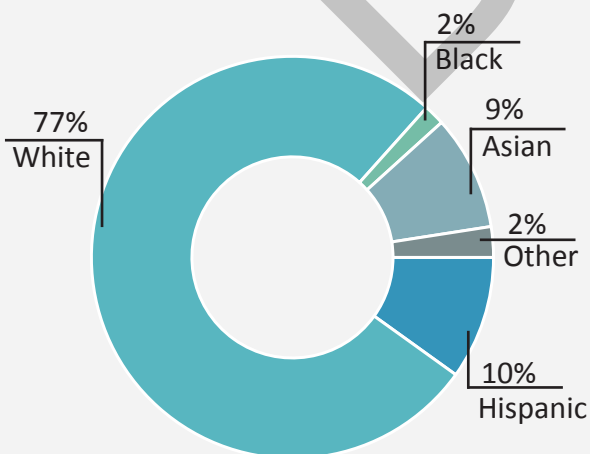
2015 Employed Population 16+ by Industry, Top 5



2015 Population 25+ by Educational Attainment

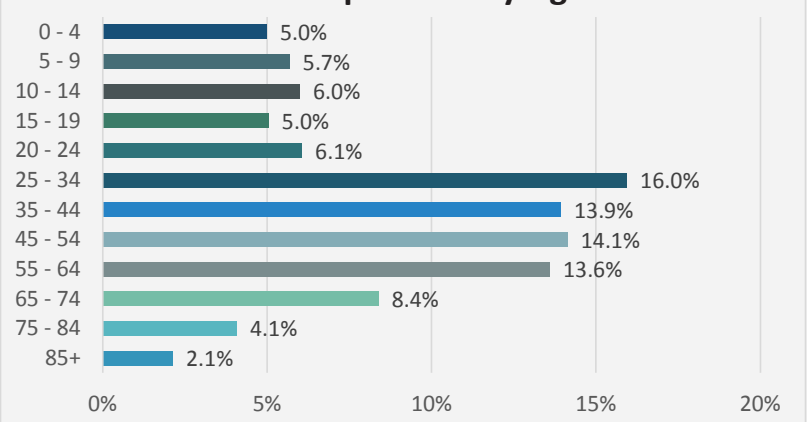


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2015 Population by Age



CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT 10

2015 Average Annual Household Spending on Affordability Cost Drivers

Housing	by Renter	\$20,050	161
	by Owner	\$35,190	149
Utilities		\$7,720	157
Food		\$14,380	160
Transportation		\$17,240	159
Health Care		\$7,470	171
Education & Retirement		\$15,810	176

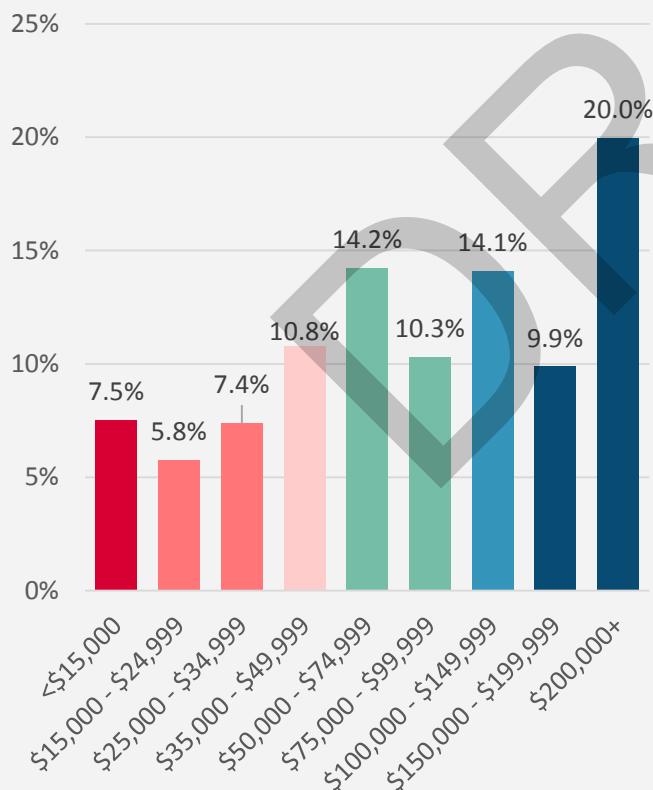
Austin Spending Index*

Annual Renter Spending: **\$82,670**

Annual Owner Spending: **\$97,810**

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2015 Household Income Distribution



\$83,890 2015 Median Household Income

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In District 10, renters spend **43%** less on average on housing costs than homeowners.

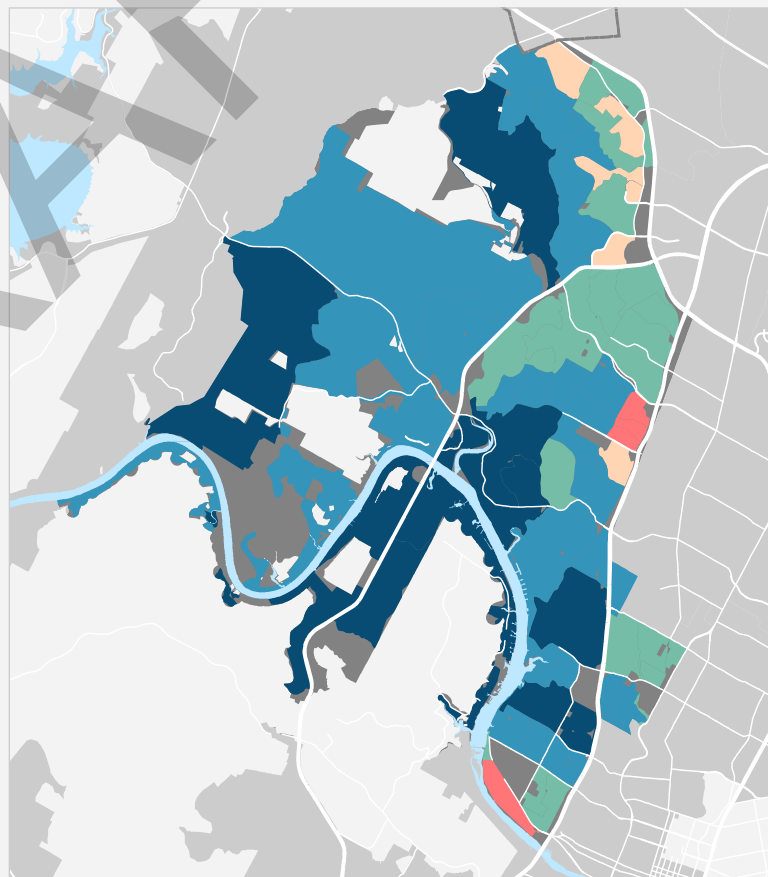


45% Renter Households 55% Owner Households

Child care is another major expense for some Austinites.

In 2015, the average cost per child of full-time child care in Travis County was **\$7,720**.

There are approximately 4,270 children under five in District 10.



2015 Median Household Income by Census Block Group



Note: the median 2015 household income for the City of Austin was \$52,458.

METHODOLOGY

Data Source

The Office of the City Auditor (OCA) Affordability Review project summarizes demographic and expenditure information at the city-wide level and for each of the ten City Council districts. All data is for 2015. Data for property tax data and for child care expenditures were derived from publically available data, as explained in more detail below. All other data were derived from a private dataset, Esri Business Analyst. OCA utilized Esri Business Analyst due to the need for demographic and expenditure data that were recent, accurate, and geographically precise. Esri Business Analyst data is derived from public and private sources, which are combined and forecasted through various statistical modeling techniques. Data sources used by Esri Business Analyst include the Bureau of Labor Statistics, the Census, the Internal Revenue Service, the Postal Service, and the Federal Housing Finance Agency, as well as a variety of privately developed databases.

Additional data source information:

- Demographic and expenditure estimates were developed using Esri Business Analyst block group level data for 2015. The data were apportioned to the relevant geographic boundaries.
- Appraised home values and estimated property taxes for 2015 were obtained from the Travis Central Appraisal District. This information is publicly available, but the Office of the City Auditor appreciates the assistance of the Chief Appraiser in supplying the data in a centralized format. Estimated property taxes take into account all applicable exemptions and freeze ceilings. Information from the Williamson Central Appraisal District was also used to estimate home values and property taxes in District 6.
- Estimated child care costs used in the profiles is based on 2015 market rate data collected for the Texas Workforce Commission's Texas Child Care Market Rate Survey.

Expenditure Variable - Definitions

Housing Costs, Owner: *Includes mortgage interest, mortgage principal, property taxes, homeowner's insurance, ground rent, maintenance and remodeling services, maintenance and remodeling materials, and property management and security costs.*

Housing Costs, Renter: *Includes rent, rent received as pay, renters' insurance, maintenance and repair services, and maintenance and repair materials.*

Utilities: *Includes electricity, natural gas, phone services, and water and other public services.*

Food: *Includes expenditures on food at home and food away from home. Spending on alcoholic beverages is excluded.*

Transportation: *Includes vehicle purchases, vehicle finance charges, gasoline and motor oil, maintenance and repairs, vehicle insurance, public transportation, and vehicle rental, leases, licenses, and other charges.*

Health Care: *Includes health insurance, medical services, drugs, and medical supplies.*

Education and Retirement: *Includes tuition, fees, textbooks, supplies, and equipment for educational pursuits, as well as all Social Security contributions paid by employees, employee contributions to pension programs, and retirement programs for the self-employed.*

Expenditure Variable - Methodology

Average expenditure estimates were used because individual household-level expenditure data is not available. Therefore, median expenditures could not be calculated.

Housing Costs

Average housing costs were calculated by dividing the total housing expenditures by the relevant number of housing units. Average housing costs for owners were divided by the total number of owner-occupied housing units for the designated area, while average housing costs for renters were divided by the total number of renter-occupied housing units for the designated area.

Child Care

The expenditure data used in our other analyses did not allow us to estimate child care costs by household. For a household-level analysis, we used Travis County data from the 2015 Texas Child Care Market Rate Survey. The average daily cost of full-time care for infants, toddlers, and preschoolers was multiplied by 250, which was the number of days we estimated that full-time care was required per year.

All Other Expenditures

Average expenditures for all other variables were calculated by dividing the total expenditures for that category over the total number of households in the designated area.

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