

DIVERSITY PROFILES

NORTH JERSEY TRANSPORTATION
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INTRODUCTION

The North Jersey Transportation Planning Authority (NJTPA) represents a diverse region of 6.7 million residents in northern New Jersey. These profiles summarize languages, races, ethnicities, national origins and poverty levels present in each of the 13 counties and two cities—known as subregions—that are represented by the NJTPA Board of Trustees. They were created to help inform public and stakeholder engagement and to improve outreach efforts. Public engagement methods can be tailored to the specific language needs and cultural preferences in each subregion to yield greater and more meaningful involvement from groups that have been traditionally underrepresented in the decision-making process.

DATA SOURCES

The data used to develop these profiles is from the American Community Survey (5-year estimates, 2013-2017). Specifically, the following data tables available through the U.S. Census Bureau's online data portal were referenced.

- » B02015: Asian Origin
- » B03001: Latino Origin
- » B03002: Race and Ethnicity
- » B05006: Place of Birth
- » DP02: English Proficiency and Language Spoken at Home
- » S1701: Individual Percent of Poverty Level

In addition to the above data tables, these profiles include more detailed information about languages other than English spoken at the county level in the NJTPA region. This data was obtained from American Community Survey data tables titled "Detailed Languages Spoken at Home and Ability to Speak English for the Population 5 Years and Over: 2009-2013," available at this link: [census.gov/data/tables/2013/demo/2009-2013-lang-tables.html](https://www.census.gov/data/tables/2013/demo/2009-2013-lang-tables.html). Please note that data is only available for counties with more than 100,000 residents or more than 25,000 residents who speak languages other than English or Spanish.

Data was compiled for each of the 15 NJTPA subregions (13 counties and two major cities), the NJTPA region, and New Jersey.

BERGEN COUNTY

DIVERSITY PROFILE

- » **Large Asian and Hispanic populations.** Of Bergen County's 937,920 residents, 176,933 identify as Hispanic or Latino and 151,869 identify as Asian. Though the Hispanic population is large, the county's percentage of Hispanic residents (18.9%) is lower than both the NJTPA region (21.6%) and the state (19.7%). In comparison, the county's percentage of Asian residents (16.2%) is notably higher than the region (10.6%) and the state (9.4%).

Black or African American residents comprise 5.3% of the population (49,842 individuals), less than half the percentage in the region (11.7%) and the state (12.7%).

- » **Comparatively large Korean population.** Koreans are the largest Asian sub-group in the county. The 57,204 Korean residents comprise 37.5% of the county's Asian population, nearly triple the percentage in both the region and the state. Indians (37,101), Filipinos (21,436), and Chinese (20,539) are the next largest Asian sub-groups, though they are present in the county at comparable or lower percentages than in the region and the state.
- » **Top 4 foreign-born groups are Koreans, Indians, Dominicans, and Filipinos.** In addition to being among the largest Asian sub-groups, Koreans, Indians, and Filipinos are also among the top four largest foreign-born groups in the county. Of the county's 285,803 foreign-born residents, 15% are Korean, 8.6% are Indian, and 5.7% are Filipinos. Dominicans (6.1%) comprise the third largest foreign-born group, however they are present at a lower percentage than the region and the state.

Bergen County's population of residents originating from Poland numbers 12,192, 4.3% of the county's foreign-born population. This percentage is about two points higher than in both the region (2.4%) and the state (2.4%).

- » **Asian and Pacific Islander languages are more common.** Asian and Pacific Islander languages are spoken at home by 11.5% of the county's population, nearly double the percentage in the region (5.4%) and the state (4.8%). Nearly half (5.1%) of these residents, 45,209 individuals, have limited English proficiency. This is more than double the percentage in the region (2%) and the state (1.9%).

Individuals who both speak Spanish at home and have limited English proficiency comprise 5.6% of the county's population, or 45,722 individuals. This is lower than the percentage in the region (8.0%) and the state (7.1%). Spanish is spoken at home by 14.5% of the county's population, also lower than in the region (17.9%) and the state (16.1%).

- » **Dominicans, Puerto Ricans, and Colombians are the largest Hispanic sub-groups.** The largest Hispanic sub-groups in Bergen County are Dominicans (34,910 individuals) and Puerto Ricans (34,806). The percentage of Dominicans in the county (19.7%) is higher than the region (16.5%) and the state (15.1%). The percentage of Puerto Ricans in the county (19.7%) is lower than the region (23.3%) and the state (27.2%). Colombians are the third largest Hispanic sub-group, numbering 20,777 individuals, and they are present at a higher percentage (11.7%) than in the region (7.8%) and the state (6.9%).
- » **7.2% poverty rate.** Bergen County has a poverty rate of 7.2%, which is lower than in the region (10.5%) or the state (10.7%). Bergen County's share of individuals with income below 185% of the poverty level, at 16%, is also lower than the region (21.8%) and the state (22.2%).

TABLE 1: RACE AND ETHNICITY BY HISPANIC OR LATINO ORIGIN, BERGEN COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Bergen County Number	Bergen County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total Population	937,920	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Not Hispanic or Latino	760,987	81.1%	78.4%	80.3%
White	542,226	57.8%	54.0%	56.1%
Asian	151,869	16.2%	10.6%	9.4%
Black or African American	49,842	5.3%	11.7%	12.7%
Two or more races	13,695	1.5%	1.4%	1.7%
Some other race	2,125	0.2%	0.5%	0.4%
American Indian and Alaska Native	995	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	235	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Hispanic or Latino	176,933	18.9%	21.6%	19.7%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 2: ECONOMIC INDICATORS, BERGEN COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Bergen County Number	Bergen County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Individuals in poverty	66,918	7.2%	10.5%	10.7%
Individuals under 185% of the poverty level	148,682	16.0%	21.8%	22.2%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 3: LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENCY, BERGEN COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Bergen County Number	Bergen County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Language Spoken at Home (pop. age 5 and over)	888,260	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
English	533,928	60.1%	65.3%	69.0%
Spanish	132,141	14.9%	17.9%	16.1%
Asian and Pacific Islander languages	102,152	11.5%	5.4%	4.8%
Other Indo-European languages	98,840	11.1%	9.4%	8.3%
Other languages	21,199	2.4%	1.9%	1.7%
Total Limited English Proficient (LEP) Population	128,535	14.5%	13.7%	12.2%
Spanish and LEP	45,722	5.1%	8.0%	7.1%
Asian and Pacific Islander languages and LEP	45,209	5.1%	2.0%	1.9%
Other Indo-European languages and LEP	32,234	3.6%	3.1%	2.8%
Other languages and LEP	5,370	0.6%	0.5%	0.5%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 4: ASIAN POPULATION BY SPECIFIC ORIGIN, BERGEN COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Bergen County Number	Bergen County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total Asian Population	152,608	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Korean	57,204	37.5%	12.0%	11.4%
Asian Indian	37,101	24.3%	44.6%	43.8%
Filipino	21,436	14.0%	14.1%	13.7%
Chinese, except Taiwanese	20,539	13.5%	17.7%	17.9%
Japanese	5,964	3.9%	1.6%	1.6%
Pakistani	3,448	2.3%	3.4%	3.5%
Two or more Asian	2,203	1.4%	1.0%	1.0%
Taiwanese	1,065	0.7%	0.8%	0.8%
Vietnamese	945	0.6%	1.8%	2.7%
Thai	602	0.4%	0.4%	0.4%
Bangladeshi	531	0.3%	1.1%	1.4%
Cambodian	345	0.2%	0.1%	0.2%
Other Asian	309	0.2%	0.6%	0.6%
Nepalese	199	0.1%	0.2%	0.2%
Malaysian	178	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
Sri Lankan	176	0.1%	0.3%	0.3%
Burmese	148	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
Indonesian	146	0.1%	0.2%	0.2%
Mongolian	36	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Hmong	18	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Laotian	15	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%
Bhutanese	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Okinawan	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 5: HISPANIC OR LATINO POPULATION BY SPECIFIC ORIGIN, BERGEN COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Bergen County Number	Bergen County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total Hispanic or Latino Population	176,933	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Dominican	34,910	19.7%	16.5%	15.1%
Puerto Rican	34,806	19.7%	23.3%	27.2%
Colombian	20,777	11.7%	7.8%	6.9%
Ecuadorian	16,653	9.4%	8.0%	7.1%
Cuban	13,684	7.7%	5.8%	5.2%
Mexican	12,276	6.9%	12.5%	13.6%
Peruvian	9,655	5.5%	5.7%	5.0%
Salvadoran	7,573	4.3%	4.6%	4.0%
Guatemalan	6,064	3.4%	2.8%	3.5%
Spaniard	4,394	2.5%	1.7%	1.6%
All other Hispanic or Latino	3,596	2.0%	2.5%	2.4%
Argentinean	2,613	1.5%	1.0%	0.9%
Honduran	2,425	1.4%	2.8%	2.7%
Costa Rican	1,667	0.9%	1.2%	1.2%
Chilean	1,451	0.8%	0.6%	0.5%
Spanish	1,126	0.6%	0.5%	0.5%
Venezuelan	861	0.5%	0.6%	0.6%
Panamanian	714	0.4%	0.4%	0.4%
Bolivian	636	0.4%	0.3%	0.2%
Nicaraguan	451	0.3%	0.5%	0.5%
Uruguayan	410	0.2%	0.7%	0.6%
Paraguayan	183	0.1%	0.2%	0.1%
Spanish American	8	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 6: TOP 20 NATIONAL ORIGINS, BERGEN COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Bergen County Number	Bergen County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total Foreign-Born Population	285,803			
Korea	42,950	15.0%	3.7%	3.6%
India	24,540	8.6%	12.9%	12.8%
Dominican Republic	17,365	6.1%	8.5%	8.1%
Philippines	16,267	5.7%	4.4%	4.3%
Colombia	13,884	4.9%	4.4%	4.1%
Poland	12,192	4.3%	2.4%	2.4%
China, excluding Hong Kong and Taiwan	10,240	3.6%	3.6%	3.7%
Ecuador	9,465	3.3%	4.3%	4.0%
Italy	8,060	2.8%	2.1%	2.1%
Other	7,097	2.5%	2.2%	2.3%
Peru	6,262	2.2%	3.3%	3.0%
Cuba	5,911	2.1%	2.5%	2.2%
Mexico	5,805	2.0%	5.5%	6.2%
Russia	5,374	1.9%	1.0%	1.0%
Turkey	5,030	1.8%	0.7%	0.7%
Jamaica	4,959	1.7%	2.1%	2.2%
El Salvador	4,848	1.7%	2.6%	2.4%
Guatemala	4,695	1.6%	1.8%	2.3%
Japan	4,231	1.5%	0.5%	0.5%
Ukraine	3,658	1.3%	0.9%	1.0%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 7: TOP 20 LANGUAGES SPOKEN AT HOME BY LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENT SPEAKERS, BERGEN COUNTY, NJ

Language	Number of Speakers who Speak English less than “Very Well”	Total Number of Speakers
Population that speaks a language other than English at home	125,402	333,738
Spanish	44,725	123,185
Korean	24,757	48,918
Polish	8,270	16,254
Russian	4,966	11,651
Italian	4,587	13,746
Chinese	4,455	10,225
Tagalog	3,633	14,150
Arabic	3,145	9,258
Japanese	2,876	5,316
Gujarati	2,334	7,052
Portuguese	2,070	5,360
Turkish	1,930	3,855
Albanian	1,325	3,320
Greek	1,298	4,972
Armenian	1,288	3,462
Hindi	1,049	5,889
Mandarin	790	1,525
Panjabi	785	1,740
Malayalam	765	2,190
Persian	699	2,538

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2009-2013

ESSEX COUNTY

DIVERSITY PROFILE

- » **38.8% Black or African-American.** Of Essex County's 800,401 residents, 38.8% identify as black or African-American. The county's percentage of black or African American residents is nearly triple that of the NJTPA region (11.7%) and the state (12.7%). The white population (31.1%) is nearly half the percentage as compared to the region (54%) and the state (56.1%). Similarly, the proportion of Asians in the county, at 5.1%, is approximately half that of both the region (10.6%) and the state (9.4%). The largest Asian sub-groups are Indian (34.2% of the Asian population), Chinese (24.3%), and Filipino (22.4%).
- » **Puerto Ricans, Ecuadorians, and Dominicans are the largest Hispanic sub-groups.** In Essex County, 179,661 people identify as Hispanic or Latino (22.4%), slightly higher than in the region (21.6%) and the state (19.7%). Puerto Ricans are the largest sub-group, comprising 32% of the county's Hispanic population, higher than the percentage in the region (23.3%) and the state (27.2%). Ecuadorians are the second largest sub-group, comprising 16.7% of the Hispanic population, or 30,056 residents, double the proportion in both the region and the state. The third largest Hispanic sub-group is Dominicans, comprising 15.1% of the county's Hispanic population, slightly lower than in the region and the state.
- » **Top 3 foreign-born groups originate from Ecuador, Haiti and Dominican Republic.** Of the county's 206,570 foreign-born residents, 9.3% originate from Ecuador, 8.3% from Haiti, and 7.6% from Dominican Republic. Essex County also has a comparatively high percentage (4.5%) of residents born in Guyana.
- » **Comparatively high proportions of residents from Caribbean and African countries.** Higher proportions of residents in Essex County originate from the Caribbean countries of Haiti, Dominican Republic, Jamaica, and Trinidad and Tobago compared to the region and the state. Similarly, higher percentages of Essex County residents originate from the African countries of Nigeria and Ghana.
- » **Comparatively large Brazilian and Portuguese born populations.** Essex County's Brazilian-born population, 4.2% of the total foreign-born population, is more than twice that in the region (1.5%) and the state (1.4%). Similarly, 3.8% of the population originates from Portugal, approximately double the percentage in the region (1.8%) and the state (1.6%).
- » **8.9% of population speaks Spanish and has limited English proficiency.** Individuals who both speak Spanish at home and have limited English proficiency comprise 8.9% of the county's population, or 66,342 individuals. Spanish is spoken at home by 19.1% of the county's population or by 142,776 individuals.
- » **16.7% poverty rate.** Essex County has a poverty rate of 16.7%, which is higher than in the region (10.5%) and the state (10.7%). Essex County's share of individuals with income below 185% of the poverty level, at 32.3%, is also greater than the region (21.8%) and the state (22.2%).

TABLE 1: RACE AND ETHNICITY BY HISPANIC OR LATINO ORIGIN, ESSEX COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Essex County Number	Essex County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total population	800,401	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Not Hispanic or Latino	620,740	77.6%	78.4%	80.3%
Black or African American	310,404	38.8%	11.7%	12.7%
White	249,087	31.1%	54.0%	56.1%
Asian	40,966	5.1%	10.6%	9.4%
Two or more races	11,574	1.4%	1.4%	1.7%
Some other race	7,414	0.9%	0.5%	0.4%
American Indian and Alaska Native	1,130	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	165	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Hispanic or Latino	179,661	22.4%	21.6%	19.7%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 2: ECONOMIC INDICATORS, ESSEX COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Essex County Number	Essex County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Individuals in poverty	130,583	16.7%	10.5%	10.7%
Individuals under 185% of the poverty level	252,185	32.3%	21.8%	22.2%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 3: LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENCY, ESSEX COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Essex County Number	Essex County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Language Spoken at Home (pop. age 5 and over)	747,597	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
English	489,190	65.4%	65.3%	69.0%
Spanish	142,776	19.1%	17.9%	16.1%
Other Indo-European languages	74,168	9.9%	9.4%	8.3%
Asian and Pacific Islander languages	20,821	2.8%	5.4%	4.8%
Other languages	20,642	2.8%	1.9%	1.7%
Total Limited English Proficient (LEP) Population	109,766	14.7%	13.7%	12.2%
Spanish and LEP	66,342	8.9%	8.0%	7.1%
Other Indo-European languages and LEP	30,915	4.1%	3.1%	2.8%
Asian and Pacific Islander languages and LEP	7,874	1.1%	2.0%	1.9%
Other languages and LEP	4,635	0.6%	0.5%	0.5%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 4: ASIAN POPULATION BY SPECIFIC ORIGIN, ESSEX COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Essex County Number	Essex County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total Asian Population	41,325	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Asian Indian	14,123	34.2%	44.6%	43.8%
Chinese, except Taiwanese	10,057	24.3%	17.7%	17.9%
Filipino	9,258	22.4%	14.1%	13.7%
Korean	2,671	6.5%	12.0%	11.4%
Vietnamese	1,178	2.9%	1.8%	2.7%
Pakistani	975	2.4%	3.4%	3.5%
Bangladeshi	661	1.6%	1.1%	1.4%
Two or more Asian	545	1.3%	1.0%	1.0%
Japanese	531	1.3%	1.6%	1.6%
Taiwanese	381	0.9%	0.8%	0.8%
Sri Lankan	218	0.5%	0.3%	0.3%
Other Asian	174	0.4%	0.6%	0.6%
Indonesian	155	0.4%	0.2%	0.2%
Thai	137	0.3%	0.4%	0.4%
Nepalese	90	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%
Malaysian	63	0.2%	0.1%	0.1%
Burmese	44	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
Cambodian	43	0.1%	0.1%	0.2%
Laotian	21	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
Bhutanese	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Hmong	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Mongolian	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Okinawan	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 5: HISPANIC OR LATINO POPULATION BY SPECIFIC ORIGIN, ESSEX COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Essex County Number	Essex County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total Hispanic or Latino Population	179,661	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Puerto Rican	57,452	32.0%	23.3%	27.2%
Ecuadorian	30,056	16.7%	8.0%	7.1%
Dominican	27,195	15.1%	16.5%	15.1%
Mexican	10,098	5.6%	12.5%	13.6%
Peruvian	8,615	4.8%	5.7%	5.0%
Salvadoran	7,213	4.0%	4.6%	4.0%
Cuban	6,072	3.4%	5.8%	5.2%
Honduran	5,133	2.9%	2.8%	2.7%
Colombian	5,068	2.8%	7.8%	6.9%
All other Hispanic or Latino	4,829	2.7%	2.5%	2.4%
Guatemalan	4,552	2.5%	2.8%	3.5%
Spaniard	2,989	1.7%	1.7%	1.6%
Uruguayan	2,577	1.4%	0.7%	0.6%
Costa Rican	1,867	1.0%	1.2%	1.2%
Argentinean	1,707	1.0%	1.0%	0.9%
Nicaraguan	1,091	0.6%	0.5%	0.5%
Spanish	822	0.5%	0.5%	0.5%
Chilean	667	0.4%	0.6%	0.5%
Venezuelan	656	0.4%	0.6%	0.6%
Panamanian	646	0.4%	0.4%	0.4%
Bolivian	208	0.1%	0.3%	0.2%
Paraguayan	76	0.0%	0.2%	0.1%
Spanish American	72	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 6: TOP 20 NATIONAL ORIGINS, ESSEX COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Essex County Number	Essex County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total Foreign-Born Population	206,570			
Ecuador	19,313	9.3%	4.3%	4.0%
Haiti	17,080	8.3%	2.2%	2.2%
Dominican Republic	15,720	7.6%	8.5%	8.1%
Jamaica	13,140	6.4%	2.1%	2.2%
Guyana	9,298	4.5%	1.2%	1.1%
India	8,823	4.3%	12.9%	12.8%
Brazil	8,735	4.2%	1.5%	1.4%
Portugal	7,887	3.8%	1.8%	1.6%
Nigeria	7,657	3.7%	0.9%	0.9%
Other	7,483	3.6%	2.2%	2.3%
Philippines	6,719	3.3%	4.4%	4.3%
Peru	5,738	2.8%	3.3%	3.0%
Trinidad and Tobago	5,031	2.4%	0.8%	0.8%
Ghana	5,019	2.4%	0.7%	0.7%
China, excluding Hong Kong and Taiwan	4,855	2.4%	3.6%	3.7%
Mexico	4,539	2.2%	5.5%	6.2%
El Salvador	4,512	2.2%	2.6%	2.4%
Italy	3,716	1.8%	2.1%	2.1%
Honduras	3,330	1.6%	1.6%	1.6%
Guatemala	3,035	1.5%	1.8%	2.3%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 7: TOP 20 LANGUAGES SPOKEN AT HOME BY LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENT SPEAKERS, ESSEX COUNTY, NJ

Language	Number of Speakers who Speak English less than "Very Well"	Total Number of Speakers
Population that speaks a language other than English at home	106,007	247,740
Spanish	61,340	133,925
Portuguese	13,710	23,530
French Creole	8,277	17,536
French	2,470	8,000
Italian	2,396	7,243
Kru, Ibo, Yoruba	2,280	8,375
Chinese	2,205	6,035
Tagalog	1,832	7,167
Korean	1,332	2,305
Russian	1,070	2,924
Polish	928	2,182
Arabic	913	2,914
Gujarati	740	2,316
Bengali	395	1,325
Mandarin	390	835
Indian ¹	360	615
Hindi	345	1,860
Vietnamese	305	658
Greek	288	1,009
Japanese	280	666

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2009-2013

1. Respondents indicated they spoke Indian. It cannot be determined if the respondent spoke a native American language or spoke a language from India.

HUDSON COUNTY

DIVERSITY PROFILE

- » **43.2% Hispanic or Latino.** Hudson County has a population of 679,756, 43.2% of whom identify as ethnically Hispanic or Latino. The county's percentage of Hispanic residents is approximately twice that of the NJTPA region (21.6%) and the state (19.7%).
- » **Largest Hispanic sub-groups are Puerto Rican, Dominican, Ecuadorian and Cuban.** There are 58,364 Puerto Rican residents in Hudson County, making up 19.9% of the Hispanic population, which is less than the percentage in NJTPA (23.3%) and the state (27.2%). Dominicans are the second largest Hispanic sub-group, at 53,021 residents, or 18.1% of the Hispanic population, which is a higher proportion than in both the region (16.5%) and the state (15.1%).

The third largest Hispanic sub-group is Ecuadorian, at 31,736 residents, comprising 10.8% of the county's Hispanic population, greater than the percentage in both the region (8.0%) and the state (7.1%). Cubans are the fourth largest Hispanic sub-group with 26,296 residents. They comprise 9% of the county's Hispanic population, higher than the proportion of Cubans in both the region (5.8%) and the state (5.1%).

- » **Top 3 foreign-born groups originate from India, Dominican Republic, and Ecuador.** Residents from India, Dominican Republic, and Ecuador comprise the three largest foreign-born groups in the county. Of the county's 292,342 foreign-born residents, 12.1% are Indian (35,394), 11.8% are Dominican (34,629), and 7.2% are Ecuadorian (21,184). The fourth and fifth largest foreign-born groups are Cubans (17,946) and Filipinos (16,322).
- » **8.9% of population speaks Spanish and has limited English proficiency.** Individuals who both speak Spanish at home and have limited English proficiency comprise 8.9% of the county's population, or 66,342 individuals. Spanish is spoken at home by 38.3% of the county's population.
- » **Comparatively large Asian population.** The percentage of Asians in the county, at 15%, is higher than in both the region (10.6%) and the state (9.4%). The largest Asian sub-groups are Indian (45.5% of the Asian population), Filipino (21.3%), and Chinese (except Taiwanese) (16%).
- » **Smaller proportions of all other races.** All non-Hispanic or Asian racial categories are present in Hudson County in smaller proportions compared to both the region and the state. The white population in the county, at 28.8%, is significantly smaller than in both the region (54%) and the state (56.1%).
- » **Comparatively large Cuban population.** The county has a higher percentage of Cuban residents (9%) compared to the region (5.8%) and the state (5.2%). Cuban-born residents also comprise the 5th largest foreign-born group in the county.
- » **17% poverty rate.** Hudson County has a poverty rate of 17%, which is higher than in the region (10.5%) and the state (10.7%). Hudson County's share of individuals with income below 185% of the poverty level, at 32.9%, is also greater than the region (21.8%) and the state (22.2%).

TABLE 1: RACE AND ETHNICITY BY HISPANIC OR LATINO ORIGIN, HUDSON COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Hudson County Number	Hudson County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total population	679,756	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Not Hispanic or Latino	386,291	56.8%	78.4%	80.3%
White	195,557	28.8%	54.0%	56.1%
Asian	102,008	15.0%	10.6%	9.4%
Black or African American	73,309	10.8%	11.7%	12.7%
Two or more races	10,678	1.6%	1.4%	1.7%
Some other race	3,434	0.5%	0.5%	0.4%
American Indian and Alaska Native	885	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	420	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%
Hispanic or Latino	293,465	43.2%	21.6%	19.7%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 2: ECONOMIC INDICATORS, HUDSON COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Hudson County Number	Hudson County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Individuals in poverty	115,254	17.1%	10.5%	10.7%
Individuals under 185% of the poverty level	221,364	32.9%	21.8%	22.2%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 3: LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENCY, HUDSON COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Hudson County Number	Hudson County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Language Spoken at Home (pop. age 5 and over)	632,315	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
English	257,949	40.8%	65.3%	69.0%
Spanish	242,261	38.3%	17.9%	16.1%
Other Indo-European languages	65,797	10.4%	9.4%	8.3%
Asian and Pacific Islander languages	45,522	7.2%	5.4%	4.8%
Other languages	20,786	3.3%	1.9%	1.7%
Total Limited English Proficient (LEP) Population	159,413	25.2%	13.7%	12.2%
Spanish and LEP	112,100	17.7%	8.0%	7.1%
Other Indo-European languages and LEP	21,899	3.5%	3.1%	2.8%
Asian and Pacific Islander languages and LEP	16,479	2.6%	2.0%	1.9%
Other languages and LEP	8,935	1.4%	0.5%	0.5%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 4: ASIAN POPULATION BY SPECIFIC ORIGIN, HUDSON COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Hudson County Number	Hudson County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total Asian Population	103,036	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Asian Indian	46,911	45.5%	44.6%	43.8%
Filipino	21,968	21.3%	14.1%	13.7%
Chinese, except Taiwanese	16,536	16.0%	17.7%	17.9%
Korean	5,346	5.2%	12.0%	11.4%
Pakistani	4,009	3.9%	3.4%	3.5%
Vietnamese	2,113	2.1%	1.8%	2.7%
Japanese	1,642	1.6%	1.6%	1.6%
Two or more Asian	997	1.0%	1.0%	1.0%
Bangladeshi	779	0.8%	1.1%	1.4%
Other Asian	638	0.6%	0.6%	0.6%
Taiwanese	504	0.5%	0.8%	0.8%
Thai	478	0.5%	0.4%	0.4%
Sri Lankan	449	0.4%	0.3%	0.3%
Nepalese	304	0.3%	0.2%	0.2%
Indonesian	154	0.1%	0.2%	0.2%
Laotian	51	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%
Burmese	49	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%
Cambodian	38	0.0%	0.1%	0.2%
Malaysian	36	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%
Okinawan	16	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Hmong	12	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Mongolian	6	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Bhutanese	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

**TABLE 5: HISPANIC OR LATINO POPULATION BY SPECIFIC ORIGIN,
HUDSON COUNTY, NJ**

Characteristic	Hudson County Number	Hudson County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total Hispanic or Latino Population	293,465	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Puerto Rican	58,364	19.9%	23.3%	27.2%
Dominican	53,021	18.1%	16.5%	15.1%
Ecuadorian	31,736	10.8%	8.0%	7.1%
Cuban	26,296	9.0%	5.8%	5.2%
Mexican	22,161	7.6%	12.5%	13.6%
Colombian	20,299	6.9%	7.8%	6.9%
Salvadoran	18,685	6.4%	4.6%	4.0%
Peruvian	15,255	5.2%	5.7%	5.0%
Honduran	11,800	4.0%	2.8%	2.7%
Guatemalan	10,013	3.4%	2.8%	3.5%
All other Hispanic or Latino	6,949	2.4%	2.5%	2.4%
Spaniard	3,586	1.2%	1.7%	1.6%
Argentinean	3,397	1.2%	1.0%	0.9%
Venezuelan	2,996	1.0%	0.6%	0.6%
Uruguayan	1,823	0.6%	0.7%	0.6%
Chilean	1,602	0.5%	0.6%	0.5%
Bolivian	1,251	0.4%	0.3%	0.2%
Nicaraguan	1,237	0.4%	0.5%	0.5%
Panamanian	1,016	0.3%	0.4%	0.4%
Costa Rican	963	0.3%	1.2%	1.2%
Spanish	818	0.3%	0.5%	0.5%
Paraguayan	163	0.1%	0.2%	0.1%
Spanish American	34	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 6: TOP 20 NATIONAL ORIGINS, HUDSON COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Hudson County Number	Hudson County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total Foreign-Born Population	292,342			
India	35,394	12.1%	12.9%	12.8%
Dominican Republic	34,629	11.8%	8.5%	8.1%
Ecuador	21,184	7.2%	4.3%	4.0%
Cuba	17,946	6.1%	2.5%	2.2%
Philippines	16,322	5.6%	4.4%	4.3%
Colombia	14,438	4.9%	4.4%	4.1%
El Salvador	13,011	4.5%	2.6%	2.4%
Mexico	12,698	4.3%	5.5%	6.2%
Peru	11,345	3.9%	3.3%	3.0%
China, excluding Hong Kong and Taiwan	10,905	3.7%	3.6%	3.7%
Egypt	9,938	3.4%	1.6%	1.5%
Honduras	8,348	2.9%	1.6%	1.6%
Guatemala	7,586	2.6%	1.8%	2.3%
Other	5,789	2.0%	2.2%	2.3%
Pakistan	4,157	1.4%	1.2%	1.3%
Korea	3,751	1.3%	3.7%	3.6%
Poland	3,608	1.2%	2.4%	2.4%
Brazil	3,402	1.2%	1.5%	1.4%
Portugal	3,298	1.1%	1.8%	1.6%
Italy	3,139	1.1%	2.1%	2.1%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 7: TOP 20 LANGUAGES SPOKEN AT HOME BY LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENT SPEAKERS, HUDSON COUNTY, NJ

Language	Number of Speakers who Speak English less than "Very Well"	Total Number of Speakers
Population that speaks a language other than English at home	155,455	355,665
Spanish	109,445	233,305
Arabic	6,140	13,044
Tagalog	4,739	16,562
Gujarati	4,042	9,012
Hindi	3,947	13,378
Portuguese	3,780	10,005
Chinese	3,385	6,590
Italian	2,091	4,928
Polish	2,075	4,907
Urdu	1,732	4,221
Korean	1,569	3,129
French Creole	1,199	2,912
French	1,100	3,580
Vietnamese	1,040	2,086
Mandarin	975	2,755
Japanese	909	1,644
Russian	775	2,064
Bengali	485	1,280
Cantonese	450	1,345
Telugu	380	1,525

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2009-2013

HUNTERDON COUNTY

DIVERSITY PROFILE

- » **86.6% white.** Hunterdon County has a population of 125,717, 86.6% of whom identify as white. The county's percentage of white residents is significantly higher than in the NJTPA region (54%) and the state (56.1%).
- » **Top 3 foreign-born groups originate from India, China and United Kingdom.** Of the county's 11,045 foreign-born residents, 13.9% were born in India, 6% in China, and 5.7% in United Kingdom. The fourth and fifth largest foreign-born groups are from Guatemala (573) and Germany (534).
- » **Smaller proportions of all other races.** All non-white racial categories are present in Hunterdon County in smaller proportions compared to both the region and the state. The proportion of Hispanic or Latino residents in the county, at 6.3%, is significantly less than both the region (21.6%) and the state (19.7%). The largest Hispanic categories by specific origin are Puerto Rican (27.8% of the Hispanic population), Mexican (11.6%), Guatemalan (10%), and Cuban (9.1%).
- » **The largest Asian sub-groups in the county are Indian and Chinese.** There are 1,722 Indian residents in Hunterdon County, making up 35.6% of the Asian population, which is less than the percentage in the region and the state. Chinese (except Taiwanese) is the second largest Asian sub-group, at 1,381 residents, or 28.6% of the Asian population, which is a higher percentage than in both the region (17.7%) and the state (17.9%).
- » **1.6% of the population speaks Spanish and has limited English proficiency.** Individuals who both speak Spanish at home and have limited English proficiency comprise 1.6% of the county's population, or 1,975 individuals. Spanish is spoken at home by 4% of the county's population.
- » **The Hispanic population includes a comparatively high percentage of Guatemalans.** The county's Guatemalan population of 784 represents 10% of the county's Hispanic population, a percentage approximately three times greater than in either the region or the state. Guatemalans also compose the 4th largest foreign-born group in the county. Costa Ricans, Spaniards, and Chileans also represent higher percentages of the county's Hispanic population than in the overall Hispanic population in both the region and the state.
- » **4.5% poverty rate.** Hunterdon County has a poverty rate of 4.5%, which is less than half the percentage in the region (10.5%) and the state (10.7%). The county's share of individuals with income below 185% of the poverty level, at 9.1%, is also nearly half that in the region (21.8%) and the state (22.2%).

TABLE 1: RACE AND ETHNICITY BY HISPANIC OR LATINO ORIGIN, HUNTERDON COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Hunterdon County Number	Hunterdon County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total population	125,717	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Not Hispanic or Latino	117,916	93.8%	78.4%	80.3%
White	108,455	86.3%	54.0%	56.1%
Asian	4,819	3.8%	10.6%	9.4%
Black or African American	3,135	2.5%	11.7%	12.7%
Two or more races	1,385	1.1%	1.4%	1.7%
American Indian and Alaska Native	66	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
Some other race	39	0.0%	0.5%	0.4%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	17	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Hispanic or Latino	7,801	6.2%	21.6%	19.7%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 2: ECONOMIC INDICATORS, HUNTERDON COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Hunterdon County Number	Hunterdon County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Individuals in poverty	5,403	4.5%	10.5%	10.7%
Individuals under 185% of the poverty level	11,040	9.1%	21.8%	22.2%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 3: LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENCY, HUNTERDON COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Hunterdon County Number	Hunterdon County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Language Spoken at Home (pop. age 5 and over)	120,725	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
English	108,212	89.6%	65.3%	69.0%
Other Indo-European languages	4,975	4.1%	9.4%	8.3%
Spanish	4,866	4.0%	17.9%	16.1%
Asian and Pacific Islander languages	1,989	1.6%	5.4%	4.8%
Other languages	683	0.6%	1.9%	1.7%
Total Limited English Proficient (LEP)	3,892	3.2%	13.7%	12.2%
Spanish and LEP	1,975	1.6%	8.0%	7.1%
Other Indo-European languages and LEP	1,208	1.0%	3.1%	2.8%
Asian and Pacific Islander languages and LEP	618	0.5%	2.0%	1.9%
Other languages and LEP	91	0.1%	0.5%	0.5%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 4: ASIAN POPULATION BY SPECIFIC ORIGIN, HUNTERDON COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Hunterdon County Number	Hunterdon County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total Asian Population	4,833	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Asian Indian	1,722	35.6%	44.6%	43.8%
Chinese, except Taiwanese	1,381	28.6%	17.7%	17.9%
Filipino	601	12.4%	14.1%	13.7%
Korean	392	8.1%	12.0%	11.4%
Bangladeshi	116	2.4%	1.1%	1.4%
Pakistani	113	2.3%	3.4%	3.5%
Thai	110	2.3%	0.4%	0.4%
Other Asian	85	1.8%	0.6%	0.6%
Taiwanese	77	1.6%	0.8%	0.8%
Indonesian	61	1.3%	0.2%	0.2%
Vietnamese	61	1.3%	1.8%	2.7%
Two or more Asian	50	1.0%	1.0%	1.0%
Japanese	44	0.9%	1.6%	1.6%
Nepalese	10	0.2%	0.2%	0.2%
Burmese	6	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
Malaysian	4	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
Bhutanese	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Cambodian	0	0.0%	0.1%	0.2%
Hmong	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Laotian	0	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%
Mongolian	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Okinawan	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Sri Lankan	0	0.0%	0.3%	0.3%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 5: HISPANIC OR LATINO POPULATION BY SPECIFIC ORIGIN, HUNTERDON COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Hunterdon County Number	Hunterdon County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total Hispanic or Latino Population	7,801	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Puerto Rican	2,165	27.8%	23.3%	27.2%
Mexican	904	11.6%	12.5%	13.6%
Guatemalan	784	10.0%	2.8%	3.5%
Cuban	712	9.1%	5.8%	5.2%
Colombian	518	6.6%	7.8%	6.9%
Costa Rican	390	5.0%	1.2%	1.2%
Spaniard	386	4.9%	1.7%	1.6%
Salvadoran	329	4.2%	4.6%	4.0%
Dominican	316	4.1%	16.5%	15.1%
Honduran	293	3.8%	2.8%	2.7%
Ecuadorian	277	3.6%	8.0%	7.1%
Peruvian	181	2.3%	5.7%	5.0%
Chilean	165	2.1%	0.6%	0.5%
All other Hispanic or Latino	135	1.7%	2.5%	2.4%
Argentinean	88	1.1%	1.0%	0.9%
Venezuelan	43	0.6%	0.6%	0.6%
Spanish American	34	0.4%	0.0%	0.0%
Nicaraguan	30	0.4%	0.5%	0.5%
Uruguayan	29	0.4%	0.7%	0.6%
Panamanian	10	0.1%	0.4%	0.4%
Paraguayan	9	0.1%	0.2%	0.1%
Spanish	3	0.0%	0.5%	0.5%
Bolivian	0	0.0%	0.3%	0.2%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 6: TOP 20 NATIONAL ORIGINS, HUNTERDON COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Hunterdon County Number	Hunterdon County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total Foreign-Born Population	11,045			
India	1,533	13.9%	12.9%	12.8%
China, excluding Hong Kong and Taiwan	666	6.0%	3.6%	3.7%
United Kingdom (inc. Crown Dependencies)	630	5.7%	1.2%	1.3%
Guatemala	573	5.2%	1.8%	2.3%
Germany	534	4.8%	0.9%	1.0%
Philippines	382	3.5%	4.4%	4.3%
Italy	376	3.4%	2.1%	2.1%
Poland	363	3.3%	2.4%	2.4%
Mexico	361	3.3%	5.5%	6.2%
Russia	316	2.9%	1.0%	1.0%
Other	307	2.8%	2.2%	2.3%
Costa Rica	299	2.7%	0.7%	0.7%
Korea	264	2.4%	3.7%	3.6%
Honduras	233	2.1%	1.6%	1.6%
El Salvador	232	2.1%	2.6%	2.4%
Canada	227	2.1%	0.7%	0.8%
Israel	215	1.9%	0.5%	0.4%
Colombia	215	1.9%	4.4%	4.1%
Cuba	201	1.8%	2.5%	2.2%
Taiwan	181	1.6%	0.8%	0.8%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

MIDDLESEX COUNTY

DIVERSITY PROFILE

- » **23.9% Asian.** Middlesex County has a population of 837,288, 23.9% of whom identify as Asian. The county's percentage of Asian residents is more than twice that of the NJTPA region (10.6%) and the state (9.4%).
- » **The largest Asian sub-groups are Indian and Chinese.** There are 201,243 residents of Asian origin in Middlesex County. The population of Indian residents numbers 127,875, comprising 63.5% of the county's Asian population, greater than the percentage in the region (44.6%) and the state (43.8%). Chinese is the second largest Asian sub-group, at 28,882 residents, or 14.4% of the Asian population, which is a lower percentage than in both the region (17.7%) and the state (17.9%).
- » **33.4% of foreign-born residents originate from India.** Of the county's 272,633 foreign-born residents, 33.4% are from India (91,171), more than double the percentage in the region (12.9%) and the state (12.8%). Dominicans (22,181) and Mexicans (16,364) comprise the second and third largest foreign-born groups in the county, followed by Chinese (12,428) and Filipino (10,580).
- » **Puerto Ricans, Dominicans, and Mexicans are the largest Hispanic sub-groups.** The percentage of Hispanic or Latino residents in Middlesex County (20.4%) is comparable to the region (21.6%) and the state (19.7%). The largest Hispanic sub-groups are Puerto Rican (28% of the Hispanic population), Dominican (19.5%), and Mexican (17.9%), all of which are present in the county at higher percentages than in the region and the state.
- » **Indo-European or Asian and Pacific Islander languages are more common compared to the region or state.** Compared to the region and the state, higher percentages of Middlesex County residents speak other Indo-European languages or Asian and Pacific Islander languages at home. Indo-European languages are spoken at home by 15.4% of the population, compared to 9.4% regionally and 8.3% statewide. Asian or Pacific Islander languages are spoken at home by 9.3% of the population, compared to 5.4% regionally and 4.8% statewide. Spanish is the most common language other than English spoken at home in Middlesex County, spoken by 16.2% of the population, similar to the percentage in the region (17.9%) and the state (16.1%).
- » **15.9% of the population has limited English proficiency.** Individuals with limited English proficiency (LEP) comprise 15.9% of the county's population, greater than the percentage in the region (13.7%) and the state (12.2%). Individuals who speak Spanish at home and are LEP comprise 7.2% of the county's population, or 56,934 individuals. Those who speak Indo-European languages and are LEP comprise 5.0% of the county population, and those who speak Asian and Pacific Islander languages and are LEP comprise 3.1% of the population.
- » **8.6% poverty rate.** Middlesex County has a poverty rate of 8.6%, which is lower than in the region (10.5%) or the state (10.7%). Individuals with income below 185% of the poverty level comprise 18.7% of the population, a lower percentage than in the region (21.8%) and the state (22.2%).

TABLE 1: RACE AND ETHNICITY BY HISPANIC OR LATINO ORIGIN, MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Middlesex County Number	Middlesex County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total population	837,288	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Not Hispanic or Latino	666,687	79.6%	78.4%	80.3%
White	371,039	44.3%	54.0%	56.1%
Black or African American	200,508	23.9%	10.6%	9.4%
American Indian and Alaska Native	77,992	9.3%	11.7%	12.7%
Asian	13,377	1.6%	1.4%	1.7%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	2,417	0.3%	0.5%	0.4%
Some other race	1,126	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
Two or more races	228	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Hispanic or Latino	170,601	20.4%	21.6%	19.7%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 2: ECONOMIC INDICATORS, MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Middlesex County Number	Middlesex County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Individuals in poverty	7,573	5.3%	10.5%	10.7%
Individuals under 185% of the poverty level	150,764	18.7%	21.8%	22.2%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 3: LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENCY, MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Middlesex County Number	Middlesex County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Language Spoken at Home (pop. age 5 and over)	788,144	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
English	448,589	56.9%	65.3%	69.0%
Spanish	127,825	16.2%	17.9%	16.1%
Other Indo-European languages	121,494	15.4%	9.4%	8.3%
Asian and Pacific Islander languages	72,989	9.3%	5.4%	4.8%
Other languages	17,247	2.2%	1.9%	1.7%
Total Limited English Proficient (LEP) Population	125,169	15.9%	13.7%	12.2%
Spanish and LEP	56,934	7.2%	8.0%	7.1%
Other Indo-European languages and LEP	39,179	5.0%	3.1%	2.8%
Asian and Pacific Islander languages and LEP	24,372	3.1%	2.0%	1.9%
Other languages and LEP	4,684	0.6%	0.5%	0.5%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 4: ASIAN POPULATION BY SPECIFIC ORIGIN, MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Middlesex County Number	Middlesex County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total Asian Population	201,243	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Asian Indian	127,875	63.5%	44.6%	43.8%
Chinese, except Taiwanese	28,882	14.4%	17.7%	17.9%
Filipino	15,562	7.7%	14.1%	13.7%
Pakistani	10,005	5.0%	3.4%	3.5%
Korean	7,051	3.5%	12.0%	11.4%
Vietnamese	3,518	1.7%	1.8%	2.7%
Taiwanese	1,452	0.7%	0.8%	0.8%
Bangladeshi	1,343	0.7%	1.1%	1.4%
Two or more Asian	1,230	0.6%	1.0%	1.0%
Other Asian	964	0.5%	0.6%	0.6%
Japanese	917	0.5%	1.6%	1.6%
Nepalese	625	0.3%	0.2%	0.2%
Indonesian	618	0.3%	0.2%	0.2%
Sri Lankan	568	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%
Thai	242	0.1%	0.4%	0.4%
Cambodian	130	0.1%	0.1%	0.2%
Burmese	128	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
Laotian	89	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%
Malaysian	30	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%
Mongolian	14	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Bhutanese	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Hmong	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Okinawan	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 5: HISPANIC OR LATINO POPULATION BY SPECIFIC ORIGIN, MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Middlesex County Number	Middlesex County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total Hispanic or Latino Population	170,601	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Puerto Rican	47,778	28.0%	23.3%	27.2%
Dominican	33,287	19.5%	16.5%	15.1%
Mexican	30,513	17.9%	12.5%	13.6%
Peruvian	9,241	5.4%	5.7%	5.0%
Colombian	8,518	5.0%	7.8%	6.9%
Honduran	6,574	3.9%	2.8%	2.7%
Ecuadorian	6,393	3.7%	8.0%	7.1%
Cuban	6,111	3.6%	5.8%	5.2%
All other Hispanic or Latino	5,249	3.1%	2.5%	2.4%
Salvadoran	3,410	2.0%	4.6%	4.0%
Guatemalan	2,855	1.7%	2.8%	3.5%
Spaniard	2,388	1.4%	1.7%	1.6%
Argentinean	1,618	0.9%	1.0%	0.9%
Venezuelan	1,189	0.7%	0.6%	0.6%
Nicaraguan	1,173	0.7%	0.5%	0.5%
Costa Rican	1,084	0.6%	1.2%	1.2%
Uruguayan	842	0.5%	0.7%	0.6%
Chilean	786	0.5%	0.6%	0.5%
Panamanian	666	0.4%	0.4%	0.4%
Spanish	557	0.3%	0.5%	0.5%
Bolivian	206	0.1%	0.3%	0.2%
Paraguayan	121	0.1%	0.2%	0.1%
Spanish American	42	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 6: TOP 20 NATIONAL ORIGINS, MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Middlesex County Number	Middlesex County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total Foreign-Born Population	272,633			
India	91,171	33.4%	12.9%	12.8%
Dominican Republic	22,181	8.1%	8.5%	8.1%
Mexico	16,364	6.0%	5.5%	6.2%
China, excluding Hong Kong and Taiwan	12,428	4.6%	3.6%	3.7%
Philippines	10,580	3.9%	4.4%	4.3%
Pakistan	7,716	2.8%	1.2%	1.3%
Peru	6,211	2.3%	3.3%	3.0%
Poland	5,731	2.1%	2.4%	2.4%
Colombia	5,449	2.0%	4.4%	4.1%
Egypt	5,441	2.0%	1.6%	1.5%
Korea	4,995	1.8%	3.7%	3.6%
Honduras	4,419	1.6%	1.6%	1.6%
Other	3,981	1.5%	2.2%	2.3%
Portugal	3,712	1.4%	1.8%	1.6%
Ecuador	3,628	1.3%	4.3%	4.0%
Taiwan	3,100	1.1%	0.8%	0.8%
Ukraine	3,057	1.1%	0.9%	1.0%
Jamaica	2,966	1.1%	2.1%	2.2%
Italy	2,828	1.0%	2.1%	2.1%
Russia	2,728	1.0%	1.0%	1.0%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 7: TOP 20 LANGUAGES SPOKEN AT HOME BY LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENT SPEAKERS, MIDDLESEX COUNTY, NJ

Language	Number of Speakers who Speak English less than “Very Well”	Total Number of Speakers
Population that speaks a language other than English at home	128,120	320,824
Spanish	57,550	117,715
Gujarati	11,461	26,601
Chinese	7,650	15,725
Hindi	4,219	20,622
Polish	3,685	8,738
Russian	3,549	7,117
Telugu	3,475	12,520
Arabic	3,433	8,420
Korean	3,198	5,489
Tagalog	3,062	11,639
Portuguese	2,460	6,915
Urdu	2,258	8,372
Mandarin	1,980	4,285
Tamil	1,895	8,275
Panjabi	1,890	4,620
Vietnamese	1,830	3,066
Indian ¹	1,725	4,590
Italian	1,455	5,220
Bengali	810	2,930
Pakistan n e c 3	690	860

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2009-2013

1. Respondents indicated they spoke Indian. It cannot be determined if the respondent spoke a native American language or spoke a language from India.

MONMOUTH COUNTY

DIVERSITY PROFILE

- » **75.4% white.** Monmouth County has a population of 627,551, 75.4% of whom identify as white. The county's percentage of white residents is significantly higher than in the NJTPA region (54%) and the state (56.1%).
- » **Smaller proportions of all other races.** All non-white race categories are present in Monmouth County in smaller proportions compared to both the region and the state. Specifically, the proportion of Asian residents in the county is 5.4%, half that compared to the region (10.6%) and the state (9.6%). Similarly, the proportion of Hispanic or Latino residents in the county, at 10.6%, is approximately half that in both the region (21.6%) and the state (19.7%). Finally, 6.7% of residents are black or African American, compared to 11.7% in the region and 12.7% in the state.
- » **The largest Hispanic sub-groups in the county are Mexican and Puerto Rican.** There are 21,951 Mexican residents in Monmouth County, making up 33% of the Hispanic population, significantly higher than the region (12.5%) and the state (13.6%). Puerto Ricans are the second largest Hispanic sub-group, at 17,509 residents, or 26.3% of the Hispanic population, a slightly higher percentage than in the region (23.3%) and slightly lower than in the state (27.2%).
- » **Largest foreign-born groups originate from Mexico, India, and China.** Of the county's 84,629 foreign-born residents, 14.5% are Mexican, 9.3% are Indian, and 5.3% are Chinese. The fourth and fifth largest foreign-born groups are Filipino (4.1% of the foreign-born population) and Brazilian (4%).
- » **3.2% of the population speaks Spanish and has limited English proficiency.** Individuals who both speak Spanish at home and have limited English proficiency comprise 3.2% of the county's population, or 19,080 individuals. Spanish is spoken at home by 7.3% of the county's population.
- » **7.6% poverty rate.** Monmouth County has a poverty rate of 7.6%, which is less than the percentage in the region (10.5%) and the state (10.7%). Individuals with income below 185% of the poverty level comprise 16.4% of the county population, less than the percentage in the region (21.8%) and the state (22.2%).

TABLE 1: RACE AND ETHNICITY BY HISPANIC OR LATINO ORIGIN, MONMOUTH COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Monmouth County Number	Monmouth County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total population	627,551	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Not Hispanic or Latino	561,070	89.4%	78.4%	80.3%
White	473,037	75.4%	54.0%	56.1%
Black or African American	42,037	6.7%	11.7%	12.7%
Asian	34,053	5.4%	10.6%	9.4%
Two or more races	9,748	1.6%	1.4%	1.7%
Some other race	1,533	0.2%	0.5%	0.4%
American Indian and Alaska Native	463	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	199	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Hispanic or Latino	66,481	10.6%	21.6%	19.7%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 2: ECONOMIC INDICATORS, MONMOUTH COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Monmouth County Number	Monmouth County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Individuals in poverty	100,236	16.1%	10.5%	10.7%
Individuals under 185% of the poverty level	148,682	16.0%	21.8%	22.2%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 3: LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENCY, MONMOUTH COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Monmouth County Number	Monmouth County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Language Spoken at Home	595,846	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
English	491,580	82.5%	65.3%	69.0%
Spanish	43,747	7.3%	17.9%	16.1%
Other Indo-European languages	37,602	6.3%	9.4%	8.3%
Asian and Pacific Islander languages	17,424	2.9%	5.4%	4.8%
Other languages	5,493	0.9%	1.9%	1.7%
Total Limited English Proficient (LEP) Population	38,689	6.5%	13.7%	12.2%
Spanish and LEP	19,080	3.2%	8.0%	7.1%
Other Indo-European languages and LEP	11,558	1.9%	3.1%	2.8%
Asian and Pacific Islander languages and LEP	6,802	1.1%	2.0%	1.9%
Other languages and LEP	1,249	0.2%	0.5%	0.5%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 4: ASIAN POPULATION BY SPECIFIC ORIGIN, MONMOUTH COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Monmouth County Number	Monmouth County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total Asian Population	34,255	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Asian Indian	12,226	35.7%	44.6%	43.8%
Chinese, except Taiwanese	10,810	31.6%	17.7%	17.9%
Filipino	4,965	14.5%	14.1%	13.7%
Korean	2,588	7.6%	12.0%	11.4%
Vietnamese	890	2.6%	1.8%	2.7%
Pakistani	871	2.5%	3.4%	3.5%
Taiwanese	537	1.6%	0.8%	0.8%
Thai	354	1.0%	0.4%	0.4%
Japanese	271	0.8%	1.6%	1.6%
Two or more Asian	236	0.7%	1.0%	1.0%
Sri Lankan	128	0.4%	0.3%	0.3%
Bangladeshi	125	0.4%	1.1%	1.4%
Other Asian	82	0.2%	0.6%	0.6%
Indonesian	50	0.1%	0.2%	0.2%
Cambodian	40	0.1%	0.1%	0.2%
Burmese	26	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
Mongolian	18	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%
Bhutanese	16	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Laotian	12	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%
Malaysian	10	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%
Hmong	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Nepalese	0	0.0%	0.2%	0.2%
Okinawan	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 5: HISPANIC OR LATINO POPULATION BY SPECIFIC ORIGIN, MONMOUTH COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Monmouth County Number	Monmouth County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total Hispanic or Latino Population	66,481	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Mexican	21,951	33.0%	12.5%	13.6%
Puerto Rican	17,509	26.3%	23.3%	27.2%
Cuban	3,190	4.8%	5.8%	5.2%
Colombian	3,081	4.6%	7.8%	6.9%
Dominican	2,785	4.2%	16.5%	15.1%
Salvadoran	2,733	4.1%	4.6%	4.0%
Ecuadorian	2,349	3.5%	8.0%	7.1%
Guatemalan	2,138	3.2%	2.8%	3.5%
Peruvian	1,881	2.8%	5.7%	5.0%
Spaniard	1,867	2.8%	1.7%	1.6%
All other Hispanic or Latino	1,459	2.2%	2.5%	2.4%
Honduran	1,028	1.5%	2.8%	2.7%
Spanish	852	1.3%	0.5%	0.5%
Argentinean	800	1.2%	1.0%	0.9%
Costa Rican	717	1.1%	1.2%	1.2%
Chilean	608	0.9%	0.6%	0.5%
Nicaraguan	556	0.8%	0.5%	0.5%
Panamanian	436	0.7%	0.4%	0.4%
Venezuelan	369	0.6%	0.6%	0.6%
Uruguayan	91	0.1%	0.7%	0.6%
Bolivian	58	0.1%	0.3%	0.2%
Paraguayan	23	0.0%	0.2%	0.1%
Spanish American	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 6: TOP 20 NATIONAL ORIGINS, MONMOUTH COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Monmouth County Number	Monmouth County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total Foreign-Born Population	84,629			
Mexico	12,270	14.5%	5.5%	6.2%
India	7,901	9.3%	12.9%	12.8%
China, excluding Hong Kong and Taiwan	4,521	5.3%	3.6%	3.7%
Philippines	3,494	4.1%	4.4%	4.3%
Brazil	3,414	4.0%	1.5%	1.4%
Haiti	3,076	3.6%	2.2%	2.2%
Italy	3,008	3.6%	2.1%	2.1%
Egypt	2,326	2.7%	1.6%	1.5%
United Kingdom (inc. Crown Depend- encies)	2,110	2.5%	1.2%	1.3%
Colombia	2,080	2.5%	4.4%	4.1%
Korea	2,037	2.4%	3.7%	3.6%
Russia	1,840	2.2%	1.0%	1.0%
Guatemala	1,777	2.1%	1.8%	2.3%
Other	1,733	2.0%	2.2%	2.3%
El Salvador	1,729	2.0%	2.6%	2.4%
Ukraine	1,706	2.0%	0.9%	1.0%
Germany	1,661	2.0%	0.9%	1.0%
Jamaica	1,574	1.9%	2.1%	2.2%
Ecuador	1,482	1.8%	4.3%	4.0%
Poland	1,413	1.7%	2.4%	2.4%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 7: TOP 20 LANGUAGES SPOKEN AT HOME BY LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENT SPEAKERS, MONMOUTH COUNTY, NJ

Language	Number of Speakers who Speak English less than "Very Well"	Total Number of Speakers
Population that speaks a language other than English at home	40,732	101,963
Spanish	20,915	43,175
Portuguese	3,340	6,025
Chinese	2,560	5,680
Russian	1,831	4,745
Italian	1,658	6,356
French Creole	1,312	2,965
Gujarati	999	2,728
Korean	951	1,903
Tagalog	822	3,018
Arabic	567	1,858
Polish	545	2,033
Vietnamese	449	920
French	445	1,770
Urdu	421	1,067
Mandarin	380	895
German	315	1,920
Cantonese	300	820
Hindi	296	1,945
Greek	279	1,240
Turkish	240	455

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2009-2013

MORRIS COUNTY

DIVERSITY PROFILE

- » **72% white.** Morris County has a population of 498,847, 72% of whom identify as white. The county's percentage of white residents is significantly higher than in the NJTPA region (54%) and the state (56.1%).
- » **Comparatively small Hispanic or Latino and black or African American populations.** The percentage of black or African American residents in the county, at 3%, is much smaller as compared to the region (11.7%) and the state (12.7%). Similarly, 13% of the population is Hispanic or Latino, a smaller percentage than in the region (21.6%) and the state (19.7%).

The percentage of Asian residents in the county, at 10.1%, is similar when compared to the region (10.6%) and the state (9.4%). The largest Asian categories by specific origin are Asian Indian (49.2% of the Asian population), Chinese (22.9%), Filipino (9.7%), and Korean (6.4%).

- » **The largest Hispanic sub-groups in the county are Colombian and Puerto Rican.** There are 13,672 Colombian residents in Morris County, comprising 21.1% of the Hispanic population, which is approximately three times higher than the percentage in the region (7.8%) and the state (6.9%). Puerto Ricans comprise the second largest Hispanic sub-group, at 13,140 residents, or 20.3% of the Hispanic population, which is lower than the percentage in both the region (23.3%) and the state (27.2%).
- » **Largest foreign-born groups originate from India and Columbia.** Of the county's 94,625 foreign-born residents, 17.5% originate from India and 10.4% from Columbia. The third and fourth largest foreign-born groups are from China (4.8%) and the Philippines (4.5%).
- » **Smaller limited English proficient population.** Only 8.7% of the population has limited English proficiency, compared to 13.7% in the region and 12.2% in the state. Individuals who both speak Spanish at home and have limited English proficiency comprise 4.6% of the county's population, or 41,117 individuals. Spanish is spoken at home by 10.6% of the county's population.
- » **4.6% poverty rate.** Morris County has a poverty rate of 4.6%, which is less than half the percentage in the region (10.5%) and the state (10.7%). Individuals with incomes below 185% of the poverty level comprise 11.3% of the population, nearly half the percentage in the region (21.8%) and the state (22.2%).

TABLE 1: RACE AND ETHNICITY BY HISPANIC OR LATINO ORIGIN, MORRIS COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Morris County Number	Morris County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total population	498,847	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Not Hispanic or Latino	433,972	87.0%	78.4%	80.3%
White	359,215	72.0%	54.0%	56.1%
Asian	50,277	10.1%	10.6%	9.4%
Black or African American	15,142	3.0%	11.7%	12.7%
Two or more races	8,337	1.7%	1.4%	1.7%
Some other race	729	0.1%	0.5%	0.4%
American Indian and Alaska Native	238	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	34	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Hispanic or Latino	64,875	13.0%	21.6%	19.7%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 2: ECONOMIC INDICATORS, MORRIS COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Morris County Number	Morris County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Individuals in poverty	22,800	4.6%	10.5%	10.7%
Individuals under 185% of the poverty level	55,342	11.3%	21.8%	22.2%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 3: LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENCY, MORRIS COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Morris County Number	Morris County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Language Spoken at Home (pop. age 5 and over)	473,898	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
English	358,921	75.7%	65.3%	69.0%
Spanish	50,458	10.6%	17.9%	16.1%
Other Indo-European languages	36,958	7.8%	9.4%	8.3%
Asian and Pacific Islander languages	23,270	4.9%	5.4%	4.8%
Other languages	4,291	0.9%	1.9%	1.7%
Total Limited English Proficient (LEP) Population	41,117	8.7%	13.7%	12.2%
Spanish and LEP	21,884	4.6%	8.0%	7.1%
Other Indo-European languages and LEP	10,807	2.3%	3.1%	2.8%
Asian and Pacific Islander languages and LEP	7,742	1.6%	2.0%	1.9%
Other languages and LEP	684	0.1%	0.5%	0.5%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 4: ASIAN POPULATION BY SPECIFIC ORIGIN, MORRIS COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Morris County Number	Morris County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total Asian Population	50,483	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Asian Indian	24,829	49.2%	44.6%	43.8%
Chinese, except Taiwanese	11,568	22.9%	17.7%	17.9%
Filipino	4,892	9.7%	14.1%	13.7%
Korean	3,256	6.4%	12.0%	11.4%
Pakistani	1,897	3.8%	3.4%	3.5%
Vietnamese	1,268	2.5%	1.8%	2.7%
Taiwanese	862	1.7%	0.8%	0.8%
Two or more Asian	527	1.0%	1.0%	1.0%
Japanese	488	1.0%	1.6%	1.6%
Other Asian	305	0.6%	0.6%	0.6%
Thai	281	0.6%	0.4%	0.4%
Sri Lankan	155	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%
Indonesian	58	0.1%	0.2%	0.2%
Nepalese	41	0.1%	0.2%	0.2%
Bangladeshi	30	0.1%	1.1%	1.4%
Cambodian	22	0.0%	0.1%	0.2%
Laotian	4	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%
Bhutanese	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Burmese	0	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%
Hmong	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Malaysian	0	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%
Mongolian	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Okinawan	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 5: HISPANIC OR LATINO POPULATION BY SPECIFIC ORIGIN, MORRIS COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Morris County Number	Morris County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total Hispanic or Latino Population	64,875	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Colombian	13,672	21.1%	7.8%	6.9%
Puerto Rican	13,140	20.3%	23.3%	27.2%
Mexican	7,604	11.7%	12.5%	13.6%
Ecuadorian	3,869	6.0%	8.0%	7.1%
Cuban	3,845	5.9%	5.8%	5.2%
Peruvian	3,467	5.3%	5.7%	5.0%
Honduran	3,308	5.1%	2.8%	2.7%
Salvadoran	2,676	4.1%	4.6%	4.0%
Dominican	2,441	3.8%	16.5%	15.1%
All other Hispanic or Latino	1,923	3.0%	2.5%	2.4%
Spaniard	1,883	2.9%	1.7%	1.6%
Costa Rican	1,441	2.2%	1.2%	1.2%
Guatemalan	1,380	2.1%	2.8%	3.5%
Argentinean	921	1.4%	1.0%	0.9%
Uruguayan	874	1.3%	0.7%	0.6%
Chilean	744	1.1%	0.6%	0.5%
Spanish	421	0.6%	0.5%	0.5%
Venezuelan	395	0.6%	0.6%	0.6%
Panamanian	335	0.5%	0.4%	0.4%
Paraguayan	202	0.3%	0.2%	0.1%
Nicaraguan	200	0.3%	0.5%	0.5%
Bolivian	91	0.1%	0.3%	0.2%
Spanish American	43	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 6: TOP 20 NATIONAL ORIGINS, MORRIS COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Morris County Number	Morris County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total Foreign-Born Population	94,625			
India	16,581	17.5%	12.9%	12.8%
Colombia	9,794	10.4%	4.4%	4.1%
China, excluding Hong Kong and Taiwan	4,541	4.8%	3.6%	3.7%
Philippines	4,218	4.5%	4.4%	4.3%
Mexico	3,773	4.0%	5.5%	6.2%
Korea	2,525	2.7%	3.7%	3.6%
Peru	2,449	2.6%	3.3%	3.0%
Honduras	2,441	2.6%	1.6%	1.6%
Italy	2,431	2.6%	2.1%	2.1%
United Kingdom (inc. Crown Dependencies)	2,421	2.6%	1.2%	1.3%
Poland	2,346	2.5%	2.4%	2.4%
Ecuador	2,208	2.3%	4.3%	4.0%
Taiwan	2,162	2.3%	0.8%	0.8%
Other	1,911	2.0%	2.2%	2.3%
Germany	1,792	1.9%	0.9%	1.0%
El Salvador	1,787	1.9%	2.6%	2.4%
Pakistan	1,743	1.8%	1.2%	1.3%
Dominican Republic	1,389	1.5%	8.5%	8.1%
Cuba	1,291	1.4%	2.5%	2.2%
Ukraine	1,175	1.2%	0.9%	1.0%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 7: TOP 20 LANGUAGES SPOKEN AT HOME BY LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENT SPEAKERS, MORRIS COUNTY, NJ

Language	Number of Speakers who Speak English less than "Very Well"	Total Number of Speakers
Population that speaks a language other than English at home	42,587	112,090
Spanish	22,310	47,375
Chinese	3,185	7,375
Gujarati	1,965	5,562
Mandarin	1,210	2,450
Italian	1,100	4,624
Polish	976	2,668
Korean	969	1,628
Russian	965	2,355
Hindi	954	4,475
Tagalog	867	3,352
Vietnamese	604	1,146
Urdu	577	1,658
Panjabi	540	1,040
German	475	2,890
Telugu	425	1,640
Ukrainian	410	1,455
French	395	2,025
Cantonese	395	885
Portuguese	375	1,305
Greek	368	1,777

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2009-2013

OCEAN COUNTY

DIVERSITY PROFILE

- » **85% white.** Ocean County has a population of 589,699, 85% of whom identify as white. The county's percentage of white residents is significantly higher than in the NJTPA region (54%) and the state (56.1%).
- » **Smaller proportions of all other races.** All races and ethnicities other than white are present in Ocean County in smaller percentages compared to both the region and the state. The percentage of Hispanic residents in the county, at 9%, is about half when compared to the region (21.6%) and the state (19.7%).
- » **The largest Hispanic sub-groups in the county are Mexican and Puerto Rican.** There are 18,394 Mexican residents in Ocean County, making up 34.5% of the Hispanic population, which is much larger than the percentage in the region (7.8%) and the state (6.9%). Puerto Ricans comprise the second largest Hispanic sub-group, at 16,559 residents, or 31.1% of the Hispanic population, higher than the percentage in both the region (23.3%) and the state (27.2%).
- » **Top 3 foreign-born groups originate from Mexico, the Philippines, and Italy.** Of the county's 47,260 foreign-born residents, 20.1% originate from Mexico. The second and third largest groups of foreign-born residents originate from the Philippines (6.6%) and Italy (5.4%).
- » **Comparatively high European born population.** The population of residents originating from European countries and the United Kingdom is higher when compared to the region and the state. Italian-born residents make up 5.4% of the foreign-born population, compared to 2.1% both regionally and statewide. Similarly, residents originating from Germany (4%), the United Kingdom (3.8%), and Poland (3.5%) are present at a higher rate in the county compared to the region and state.
- » **Comparatively small limited English proficient population.** A smaller percentage of the population is limited English proficient (4.2%) as compared to the region (13.7%) and the state (12.2%). Individuals who both speak Spanish at home and have limited English proficiency comprise 2.5% of the county's population, or 13,897 individuals. Spanish is spoken at home by 6.2% of the county's population.
- » **10.9% poverty rate.** Ocean County has a poverty rate of 10.9%, which is similar to the region (10.5%) and the state (10.7%). Individuals with income below 185% of the poverty level comprise 23.7% of the county population, slightly higher than the percentage in the region (21.8%) and the state (22.2%).

TABLE 1: RACE AND ETHNICITY BY HISPANIC OR LATINO ORIGIN, OCEAN COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Ocean County Number	Ocean County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total population	589,699	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Not Hispanic or Latino	536,438	91.0%	78.4%	80.3%
White	500,671	84.9%	54.0%	56.1%
Black or African American	16,278	2.8%	11.7%	12.7%
Asian	11,488	1.9%	10.6%	9.4%
Two or more races	7,136	1.2%	1.4%	1.7%
Some other race	491	0.1%	0.5%	0.4%
American Indian and Alaska Native	220	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	154	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Hispanic or Latino	53,261	9.0%	21.6%	19.7%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 2: ECONOMIC INDICATORS, OCEAN COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Ocean County Number	Ocean County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Individuals in poverty	63,181	10.9%	10.5%	10.7%
Individuals under 185% of the poverty level	137,688	23.7%	21.8%	22.2%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 3: LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENCY, OCEAN COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Ocean County Number	Ocean County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Language Spoken at Home (pop. age 5 and over)	549,108	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
English	479,630	87.3%	65.3%	69.0%
Spanish	34,296	6.2%	17.9%	16.1%
Other Indo-European languages	23,905	4.4%	9.4%	8.3%
Asian and Pacific Islander languages	6,360	1.2%	5.4%	4.8%
Other languages	4,917	0.9%	1.9%	1.7%
Total Limited English Proficient (LEP) Population	23,158	4.2%	13.7%	12.2%
Spanish and LEP	13,897	2.5%	8.0%	7.1%
Other Indo-European languages and LEP	6,098	1.1%	3.1%	2.8%
Asian and Pacific Islander languages and LEP	2,356	0.4%	2.0%	1.9%
Other languages and LEP	807	0.1%	0.5%	0.5%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 4: ASIAN POPULATION BY SPECIFIC ORIGIN, OCEAN COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Ocean County Number	Ocean County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total Asian Population	11,618	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Filipino	4,171	35.9%	14.1%	13.7%
Asian Indian	3,112	26.8%	44.6%	43.8%
Chinese, except Taiwanese	1,665	14.3%	17.7%	17.9%
Korean	1,131	9.7%	12.0%	11.4%
Vietnamese	637	5.5%	1.8%	2.7%
Pakistani	257	2.2%	3.4%	3.5%
Japanese	185	1.6%	1.6%	1.6%
Taiwanese	177	1.5%	0.8%	0.8%
Other Asian	131	1.1%	0.6%	0.6%
Thai	73	0.6%	0.4%	0.4%
Two or more Asian	35	0.3%	1.0%	1.0%
Laotian	26	0.2%	0.1%	0.1%
Indonesian	12	0.1%	0.2%	0.2%
Mongolian	6	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%
Bangladeshi	0	0.0%	1.1%	1.4%
Bhutanese	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Burmese	0	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%
Cambodian	0	0.0%	0.1%	0.2%
Hmong	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Malaysian	0	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%
Nepalese	0	0.0%	0.2%	0.2%
Okinawan	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Sri Lankan	0	0.0%	0.3%	0.3%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 5: HISPANIC OR LATINO POPULATION BY SPECIFIC ORIGIN, OCEAN COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Ocean County Number	Ocean County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total Hispanic or Latino Population	53,261	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Mexican	18,394	34.5%	12.5%	13.6%
Puerto Rican	16,559	31.1%	23.3%	27.2%
Cuban	3,660	6.9%	5.8%	5.2%
Dominican	2,905	5.5%	16.5%	15.1%
Colombian	1,832	3.4%	7.8%	6.9%
Spaniard	1,455	2.7%	1.7%	1.6%
Ecuadorian	1,378	2.6%	8.0%	7.1%
Peruvian	1,298	2.4%	5.7%	5.0%
All other Hispanic or Latino	1,267	2.4%	2.5%	2.4%
Salvadoran	694	1.3%	4.6%	4.0%
Costa Rican	657	1.2%	1.2%	1.2%
Honduran	654	1.2%	2.8%	2.7%
Spanish	489	0.9%	0.5%	0.5%
Argentinean	469	0.9%	1.0%	0.9%
Guatemalan	426	0.8%	2.8%	3.5%
Panamanian	335	0.6%	0.4%	0.4%
Nicaraguan	224	0.4%	0.5%	0.5%
Chilean	128	0.2%	0.6%	0.5%
Uruguayan	111	0.2%	0.7%	0.6%
Spanish American	109	0.2%	0.0%	0.0%
Paraguayan	95	0.2%	0.2%	0.1%
Venezuelan	75	0.1%	0.6%	0.6%
Bolivian	47	0.1%	0.3%	0.2%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 6: TOP 20 NATIONAL ORIGINS, OCEAN COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Ocean County Number	Ocean County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total Foreign-Born Population	47,260			
Mexico	9,496	20.1%	5.5%	6.2%
Philippines	3,099	6.6%	4.4%	4.3%
Italy	2,536	5.4%	2.1%	2.1%
India	2,168	4.6%	12.9%	12.8%
Germany	1,885	4.0%	0.9%	1.0%
United Kingdom (inc. Crown Dependencies)	1,811	3.8%	1.2%	1.3%
Poland	1,666	3.5%	2.4%	2.4%
Dominican Republic	1,611	3.4%	8.5%	8.1%
Other	1,344	2.8%	2.2%	2.3%
Colombia	1,127	2.4%	4.4%	4.1%
Cuba	1,107	2.3%	2.5%	2.2%
Canada	1,007	2.1%	0.7%	0.8%
Peru	999	2.1%	3.3%	3.0%
Portugal	990	2.1%	1.8%	1.6%
Korea	900	1.9%	3.7%	3.6%
Ukraine	807	1.7%	0.9%	1.0%
China, excluding Hong Kong and Taiwan	689	1.5%	3.6%	3.7%
Jamaica	684	1.4%	2.1%	2.2%
Honduras	558	1.2%	1.6%	1.6%
El Salvador	545	1.2%	2.6%	2.4%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 7: TOP 20 LANGUAGES SPOKEN AT HOME BY LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENT SPEAKERS, OCEAN COUNTY, NJ

Language	Number of Speakers who Speak English less than "Very Well"	Total Number of Speakers
Population that speaks a language other than English at home	24,060	65,260
Spanish	14,100	30,620
Italian	1,679	5,937
Portuguese	870	2,185
Russian	783	1,218
Tagalog	725	2,296
Polish	722	1,979
Vietnamese	510	876
German	440	2,185
Ukrainian	430	685
Chinese	415	775
Greek	360	1,529
Gujarati	267	578
French Creole	261	622
Korean	209	371
Hebrew	208	2,299
Hungarian	190	341
French	175	1,320
Arabic	166	760
Hindi	160	646
Yiddish	147	3,863

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2009-2013

PASSAIC COUNTY

DIVERSITY PROFILE

- » **40.5% Hispanic or Latino.** Passaic County has a population of 510,563, 40.5% of whom identify as ethnically Hispanic or Latino. The county's percentage of Hispanic residents is almost twice that of the NJTPA region (21.6%) and more than twice that of the state (19.7%).
- » **The largest Hispanic sub-groups in the county are Dominicans, Puerto Ricans, Mexicans, and Peruvians.** There are 61,451 Dominican residents in Passaic County, making up 29.7% of the Hispanic population, which is nearly double the percentage in the NJTPA region and the state. Puerto Ricans are the second largest Hispanic sub-group, at 43,666 residents, or 21.1% of the Hispanic population, which is a slightly lower proportion than in both the region and the state.

The third largest Hispanic sub-group is Mexican, at 38,804 residents, comprising 18.75% of the county's Hispanic population, compared to 12.5% in the region and 13.6% in the state. Peruvians are the fourth largest Hispanic sub-group. They comprise 9.9% of the county's Hispanic population, approximately twice the proportion of Peruvians in both the region and the state.

- » **Top 3 foreign-born groups are Dominicans, Mexicans, and Peruvians.** In addition to being among the largest Hispanic sub-groups, Dominicans, Mexicans, and Peruvians are also the top three largest foreign-born groups in the county. Of the county's 148,414 foreign-born residents, 25.7% are Dominican, 12.1% are Mexican, and 8.4% are Peruvian. The fourth and fifth largest foreign-born groups are Colombians (8,273) and Indians (6,989).
- » **15.8% of population speaks Spanish and has limited English proficiency.** Individuals who both speak Spanish at home and have limited English proficiency comprise 15.8% of the county's population, or 74,946 individuals. Spanish is spoken at home by 35% of the county's population.
- » **Smaller proportions of all other races.** All non-Hispanic racial categories are present in Passaic County in smaller proportions compared to both the region and the state. Notably, the proportion of Asians in the county, at 5.2%, is approximately half that of both the region (10.6%) and the state (9.4%). The largest Asian categories by specific origin are Asian Indian (42.7% of the Asian population), Filipino (15.4%), Bangladeshi (14.8%), and Chinese (10.0%).
- » **Comparatively large Bangladeshi population.** The county's Bangladeshi population of 4,018 represents a percentage approximately 12 times greater than in either the region or the state. Bangladeshis also compose the 8th largest foreign-born group in the county.
- » **17% poverty rate.** Passaic County has a poverty rate of 17%, which is higher than in the region (10.5%) or the state (10.7%). Passaic County's share of individuals with income below 185% of the poverty level, at 32.3%, is also greater than the region (21.8%) and the state (22.2%).

TABLE 1 RACE AND ETHNICITY BY HISPANIC OR LATINO ORIGIN, PASSAIC COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Passaic County Number	Passaic County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total Population	510,563	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Not Hispanic or Latino	303,626	59.5%	78.4%	80.3%
White	214,683	42.0%	54.0%	56.1%
Black or African American	54,255	10.6%	11.7%	12.7%
Asian	26,714	5.2%	10.6%	9.4%
Two or more races	5,535	1.1%	1.4%	1.7%
Some other race	1,493	0.3%	0.5%	0.4%
American Indian and Alaska Native	839	0.2%	0.1%	0.1%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	107	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Hispanic or Latino	206,937	40.5%	21.6%	19.7%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 2 ECONOMIC INDICATORS, PASSAIC COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Passaic County Number	Passaic County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Individuals in poverty	85,639	17.0%	10.5%	10.7%
Individuals under 185% of the poverty level	162,167	32.3%	21.8%	22.2%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 3 LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENCY, PASSAIC COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Passaic County Number	Passaic County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Language Spoken at Home (pop. age 5 and over)	475,721	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
English	246,464	51.8%	65.3%	69.0%
Spanish	166,691	35.0%	17.9%	16.1%
Other Indo-European Languages	37,259	7.8%	9.4%	8.3%
Asian and Pacific Islander languages	11,731	2.5%	5.4%	4.8%
Other languages	13,576	2.9%	1.9%	1.7%
Limited English Proficiency (LEP)	96,754	20.3%	13.7%	12.2%
Spanish and LEP	74,946	15.8%	8.0%	7.1%
Other Indo-European languages and LEP	13,242	2.8%	3.1%	2.8%
Asian and Pacific Islander languages and LEP	4,445	0.9%	2.0%	1.9%
Other languages and LEP	4,121	0.9%	0.5%	0.5%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 4 ASIAN POPULATION BY SPECIFIC ORIGIN, PASSAIC COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Passaic County Number	Passaic County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total Asian Population	27,097	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Asian Indian	11,563	42.7%	44.6%	43.8%
Filipino	4,176	15.4%	14.1%	13.7%
Bangladeshi	4,018	14.8%	1.1%	1.4%
Chinese, except Taiwanese	2,709	10.0%	17.7%	17.9%
Korean	2,209	8.2%	12.0%	11.4%
Pakistani	731	2.7%	3.4%	3.5%
Other Asian	474	1.7%	0.6%	0.6%
Vietnamese	447	1.6%	1.8%	2.7%
Japanese	224	0.8%	1.6%	1.6%
Two or more Asian	169	0.6%	1.0%	1.0%
Taiwanese	115	0.4%	0.8%	0.8%
Indonesian	84	0.3%	0.2%	0.2%
Thai	75	0.3%	0.4%	0.4%
Laotian	60	0.2%	0.1%	0.1%
Nepalese	22	0.1%	0.2%	0.2%
Mongolian	14	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%
Malaysian	7	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%
Bhutanese	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Burmese	0	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%
Cambodian	0	0.0%	0.1%	0.2%
Hmong	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Okinawan	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Sri Lankan	0	0.0%	0.3%	0.3%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 5 HISPANIC OR LATINO POPULATION BY SPECIFIC ORIGIN, PASSAIC COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Passaic County Number	Passaic County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total Hispanic or Latino Population	206,937	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Dominican	61,451	29.7%	16.5%	15.1%
Puerto Rican	43,666	21.1%	23.3%	27.2%
Mexican	38,804	18.8%	12.5%	13.6%
Peruvian	20,479	9.9%	5.7%	5.0%
Colombian	11,986	5.8%	7.8%	6.9%
Ecuadorian	5,610	2.7%	8.0%	7.1%
Cuban	5,134	2.5%	5.8%	5.2%
Costa Rican	3,168	1.5%	1.2%	1.2%
Salvadoran	3,019	1.5%	4.6%	4.0%
All other Hispanic or Latino	3,001	1.5%	2.5%	2.4%
Honduran	2,419	1.2%	2.8%	2.7%
Guatemalan	2,067	1.0%	2.8%	3.5%
Argentinean	984	0.5%	1.0%	0.9%
Spaniard	905	0.4%	1.7%	1.6%
Bolivian	797	0.4%	0.3%	0.2%
Chilean	738	0.4%	0.6%	0.5%
Venezuelan	698	0.3%	0.6%	0.6%
Spanish	651	0.3%	0.5%	0.5%
Nicaraguan	525	0.3%	0.5%	0.5%
Uruguayan	498	0.2%	0.7%	0.6%
Panamanian	305	0.1%	0.4%	0.4%
Paraguayan	32	0.0%	0.2%	0.1%
Spanish American	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 6 TOP 20 NATIONAL ORIGINS, PASSAIC COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Passaic County Number	Passaic County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Foreign born	148,414			
Dominican Republic	38,113	25.7%	8.5%	8.1%
Mexico	17,979	12.1%	5.5%	6.2%
Peru	12,423	8.4%	3.3%	3.0%
Colombia	8,273	5.6%	4.4%	4.1%
India	6,989	4.7%	12.9%	12.8%
Jamaica	4,292	2.9%	2.1%	2.2%
Poland	4,239	2.9%	2.4%	2.4%
Bangladesh	4,068	2.7%	0.6%	0.8%
Italy	3,667	2.5%	2.1%	2.1%
Ecuador	3,258	2.2%	4.3%	4.0%
Philippines	3,154	2.1%	4.4%	4.3%
Other	2,862	1.9%	2.2%	2.3%
Cuba	2,294	1.5%	2.5%	2.2%
Syria	2,264	1.5%	0.3%	0.3%
Jordan	2,172	1.5%	0.3%	0.3%
Costa Rica	2,127	1.4%	0.7%	0.7%
Turkey	1,903	1.3%	0.7%	0.7%
El Salvador	1,885	1.3%	2.6%	2.4%
Korea	1,664	1.1%	3.7%	3.6%
Guatemala	1,481	1.0%	1.8%	2.3%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 7: TOP 20 LANGUAGES SPOKEN AT HOME BY LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENT SPEAKERS, PASSAIC COUNTY, NJ

Language	Number of Speakers who Speak English less than "Very Well"	Total Number of Speakers
Population that speaks a language other than English at home	103,479	223,164
Spanish	78,285	157,475
Arabic	4,043	11,716
Polish	3,034	7,105
Gujarati	2,302	4,621
Italian	2,249	6,301
Bengali	1,700	4,060
Turkish	1,110	2,495
Russian	1,064	2,313
Tagalog	901	3,716
Chinese	880	1,490
Macedonian	710	1,265
Korean	652	1,465
Albanian	635	2,215
Serbian	440	865
Jamaican Creole	435	650
Vietnamese	329	562
Portuguese	275	850
Ukrainian	270	535
Caucasian	265	715
Greek	262	1,088

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2009-2013

SOMERSET COUNTY

DIVERSITY PROFILE

- » **Large Asian population.** Of Somerset County's 333,316 residents, 56,772 identify as Asian. The county's percentage of Asian residents (17%) is notably higher than the region (10.6%) and the state (9.4%).
- » **The three largest Asian sub-groups in the county are Asian Indians, Chinese and Filipinos.** There are 30,162 Asian Indian residents in Somerset County, making up 52.3% of the Asian population, higher than the percentage in the NJTPA region (44.6%) and the state (43.8%). Chinese are the second largest Asian sub-group, at 26.1% of the Asian population, which is a higher proportion than in both the region (17.7%) and the state (17.9%). The third largest Asian sub-group is Filipino, comprising 8.3% of the county's Asian population, less than the percentage in both the region (14.1%) and the state (13.7%).
- » **Top 3 foreign-born groups originate from India, China, and the Philippines.** In addition to being among the largest Asian sub-groups, Indians, Chinese, and Filipinos are also the top three foreign-born groups in the county. Of the county's 82,008 foreign-born residents, 24.1% originate from India, 8.8% from China, and 4.1% from the Philippines.
- » **Asian and Pacific Islander languages are more common.** Asian and Pacific Islander languages are spoken at home by 8.3% of the county's population or by 26,293 individuals, higher as compared to 5.4% of the region and 4.8% of the state. Individuals who both speak Asian and Pacific Islander languages at home and have limited English proficiency comprise 2.5% of the county's population, or 7,882 individuals, compared to 2% regionally and 1.9% statewide.
- » **Smaller Hispanic and black populations.** Hispanic or Latino and black or African American populations are present in Somerset County in smaller proportions compared to both the region and the state. The percentage of Hispanic residents is 14.4%, lower when compared to the region (21.6%) and the state (19.7%). The proportion of black or African American residents in the county is 9% of the population, lower when compared to the region (11.7%) and the state (12.7%).
- » **4.8% poverty rate.** Somerset County has a poverty rate of 4.8%, which is half the rate in the region (10.5%) and the state (10.7%). Individuals with income below 185% of the poverty level comprise 11.2% of the population, about half of the percentage in the region (21.8%) and the state (22.2%).

TABLE 1: RACE AND ETHNICITY BY HISPANIC OR LATINO ORIGIN, SOMERSET COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Somerset County Number	Somerset County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total population	333,316	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Not Hispanic or Latino	285,419	85.6%	78.4%	80.3%
White	192,408	57.7%	54.0%	56.1%
Asian	56,772	17.0%	10.6%	9.4%
Black or African American	30,152	9.0%	11.7%	12.7%
Two or more races	5,161	1.5%	1.4%	1.7%
Some other race	512	0.2%	0.5%	0.4%
American Indian and Alaska Native	398	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	16	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Hispanic or Latino	47,897	14.4%	21.6%	19.7%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 2: ECONOMIC INDICATORS, SOMERSET COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Somerset County Number	Somerset County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Individuals in poverty	15,745	4.8%	10.5%	10.7%
Individuals under 185% of the poverty level	36,791	11.2%	21.8%	22.2%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 3: LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENCY, SOMERSET COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Somerset County Number	Somerset County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Language Spoken at Home (pop. age 5 and over)	315,663	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
English	219,739	69.6%	65.3%	69.0%
Spanish	35,096	11.1%	17.9%	16.1%
Other Indo-European languages	29,860	9.5%	9.4%	8.3%
Asian and Pacific Islander languages	26,293	8.3%	5.4%	4.8%
Other languages	4,675	1.5%	1.9%	1.7%
Total Limited English Proficient (LEP) Population	29,789	9.4%	13.7%	12.2%
Spanish and LEP	13,517	4.3%	8.0%	7.1%
Asian and Pacific Islander languages and LEP	7,882	2.5%	2.0%	1.9%
Other Indo-European languages and LEP	7,161	2.3%	3.1%	2.8%
Other languages and LEP	1,229	0.4%	0.5%	0.5%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 4: ASIAN POPULATION BY SPECIFIC ORIGIN, SOMERSET COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Somerset County Number	Somerset County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total Asian Population	57,106	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Asian Indian	30,162	52.8%	44.6%	43.8%
Chinese, except Taiwanese	14,898	26.1%	17.7%	17.9%
Filipino	4,716	8.3%	14.1%	13.7%
Korean	2,216	3.9%	12.0%	11.4%
Pakistani	1,421	2.5%	3.4%	3.5%
Vietnamese	1,092	1.9%	1.8%	2.7%
Taiwanese	584	1.0%	0.8%	0.8%
Other Asian	462	0.8%	0.6%	0.6%
Japanese	408	0.7%	1.6%	1.6%
Two or more Asian	406	0.7%	1.0%	1.0%
Indonesian	185	0.3%	0.2%	0.2%
Bangladeshi	182	0.3%	1.1%	1.4%
Sri Lankan	102	0.2%	0.3%	0.3%
Thai	94	0.2%	0.4%	0.4%
Laotian	81	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
Hmong	42	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%
Nepalese	32	0.1%	0.2%	0.2%
Mongolian	14	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Malaysian	9	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%
Bhutanese	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Burmese	0	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%
Cambodian	0	0.0%	0.1%	0.2%
Okinawan	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 5: HISPANIC OR LATINO POPULATION BY SPECIFIC ORIGIN, SOMERSET COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Somerset County Number	Somerset County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total Hispanic or Latino Population	47,897	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Puerto Rican	9,163	19.1%	23.3%	27.2%
Mexican	5,618	11.7%	12.5%	13.6%
Colombian	5,002	10.4%	7.8%	6.9%
Ecuadorian	4,395	9.2%	8.0%	7.1%
Dominican	3,270	6.8%	16.5%	15.1%
Salvadoran	3,117	6.5%	4.6%	4.0%
Costa Rican	2,920	6.1%	1.2%	1.2%
Peruvian	2,135	4.5%	5.7%	5.0%
Guatemalan	1,983	4.1%	2.8%	3.5%
All other Hispanic or Latino	1,665	3.5%	2.5%	2.4%
Cuban	1,498	3.1%	5.8%	5.2%
Honduran	1,450	3.0%	2.8%	2.7%
Paraguayan	1,446	3.0%	0.2%	0.1%
Spaniard	1,305	2.7%	1.7%	1.6%
Argentinean	909	1.9%	1.0%	0.9%
Spanish	719	1.5%	0.5%	0.5%
Panamanian	278	0.6%	0.4%	0.4%
Uruguayan	278	0.6%	0.7%	0.6%
Venezuelan	262	0.5%	0.6%	0.6%
Chilean	226	0.5%	0.6%	0.5%
Nicaraguan	146	0.3%	0.5%	0.5%
Bolivian	112	0.2%	0.3%	0.2%
Spanish American	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 6: TOP 20 NATIONAL ORIGINS, SOMERSET COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Somerset County Number	Somerset County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total Foreign-Born Population	82,008			
India	19,796	24.1%	12.9%	12.8%
China, excluding Hong Kong and Taiwan	7,235	8.8%	3.6%	3.7%
Philippines	3,331	4.1%	4.4%	4.3%
Colombia	3,172	3.9%	4.4%	4.1%
Ecuador	3,115	3.8%	4.3%	4.0%
Mexico	2,553	3.1%	5.5%	6.2%
Other	2,300	2.8%	2.2%	2.3%
Poland	2,166	2.6%	2.4%	2.4%
Costa Rica	1,975	2.4%	0.7%	0.7%
El Salvador	1,811	2.2%	2.6%	2.4%
Taiwan	1,759	2.1%	0.8%	0.8%
Dominican Republic	1,632	2.0%	8.5%	8.1%
United Kingdom (inc. Crown Dependencies)	1,550	1.9%	1.2%	1.3%
Korea	1,499	1.8%	3.7%	3.6%
Italy	1,475	1.8%	2.1%	2.1%
Peru	1,307	1.6%	3.3%	3.0%
Guatemala	1,218	1.5%	1.8%	2.3%
Pakistan	1,147	1.4%	1.2%	1.3%
Jamaica	1,105	1.3%	2.1%	2.2%
Russia	1,014	1.2%	1.0%	1.0%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 7: TOP 20 LANGUAGES SPOKEN AT HOME BY LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENT SPEAKERS, SOMERSET COUNTY, NJ

Language	Number of Speakers who Speak English less than "Very Well"	Total Number of Speakers
Population that speaks a language other than English at home	30,924	91,033
Spanish	15,865	35,250
Chinese	2,980	7,450
Gujarati	1,273	4,644
Polish	1,141	2,719
Tagalog	875	3,253
Italian	750	2,822
Korean	731	1,311
Hindi	692	4,684
Portuguese	545	1,585
Mandarin	530	1,660
Vietnamese	440	788
Arabic	434	1,591
Urdu	364	1,540
Telugu	335	2,370
Russian	285	1,493
German	235	1,640
French	230	1,195
Kru, Ibo, Yoruba	180	995
Formosan	180	355
Pidgin	170	170

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2009-2013

SUSSEX COUNTY

DIVERSITY PROFILE

- » **87.2% white.** Sussex County has a population of 143,570, 87.2% of whom identify as white. The county's percentage of white residents is significantly higher than in the NJTPA region (54%) and the state (56.1%).
- » **Top 3 foreign-born groups originate from Poland, Italy and the Philippines.** The top three largest foreign-born groups in the county originate from Poland, Italy and the Philippines. Of the county's 11,453 foreign-born residents, 7% originate from Poland, 5% from Italy, and 4.6% from the Philippines. The fourth and fifth largest foreign-born groups originate from the United Kingdom (4.3%) and Germany (4%).
- » **Comparatively high European-born population.** The population of residents originating from Europe is higher compared to the region and the state. Residents originating from Poland comprise 7% of the foreign-born population, compared to 2.4% in both the region and the state. Similarly, the population of residents originating from the United Kingdom comprises 4.3% of the foreign-born population, higher than in the region (1.2%) and the state (1.3%). Finally, the German-born population comprises 4% of the county's foreign-born population, four times the rate in the region (.9%) and the state (1%).
- » **Smaller proportions of all other races and ethnicities.** All non-white races and ethnicities are present in Sussex County in smaller proportions compared to both the region and the state. Black or African American residents make up 2% of the population in Sussex county, a much smaller percentage as compared to the region (11.7%) and the state (12.7%). Similarly, the percentage of Hispanic residents in the county is 7.5%, approximately one-third of the percentage in the region (21.6%) and the state (19.7%). Finally, the proportion of Asian residents in the county, at 2%, is approximately one-fifth of that in both the region (10.6%) and the state (9.4%).
- » **High English Proficiency Population.** Only 2.9% of the population has limited English proficiency, a quarter that of the percentage in the region (13.7%) and the state (12.2%). Approximately 9.7% of county residents speak a language other than English at home, a smaller percentage compared to the region (34.7%) and the state (31%). The most common languages spoken at home are Indo-European languages, used by 5,686 residents, followed by Spanish, used by 5,315 residents.
- » **10.3% poverty rate.** Sussex County has a poverty rate of 10.3%, which is about the same as in the region (10.5%) and the state (10.7%). Individuals with incomes below 185% of the poverty level comprise 13.6% of the county population, a lower percentage than in the region (21.8%) and the state (22.2%).

TABLE 1: RACE AND ETHNICITY BY HISPANIC OR LATINO ORIGIN, SUSSEX COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Sussex County Number	Sussex County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total population	143,570	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Not Hispanic or Latino	132,792	92.5%	78.4%	80.3%
White	125,183	87.2%	54.0%	56.1%
Black or African American	2,829	2.0%	11.7%	12.7%
Asian	2,814	2.0%	10.6%	9.4%
Two or more races	1,851	1.3%	1.4%	1.7%
Some other race	97	0.1%	0.5%	0.4%
American Indian and Alaska Native	12	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	6	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Hispanic or Latino	10,778	7.5%	21.6%	19.7%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 2: ECONOMIC INDICATORS, SUSSEX COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Sussex County Number	Sussex County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Individuals in poverty	7,573	5.3%	10.5%	10.7%
Individuals under 185% of the poverty level	19,329	13.6%	21.8%	22.2%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 3: LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENCY, SUSSEX COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Sussex County Number	Sussex County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Language Spoken at Home (pop. age 5 and over)	136,965	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
English	358,921	75.7%	65.3%	69.0%
Spanish	50,458	10.6%	17.9%	16.1%
Other Indo-European languages	36,958	7.8%	9.4%	8.3%
Asian and Pacific Islander languages	23,270	4.9%	5.4%	4.8%
Other languages	4,291	0.9%	1.9%	1.7%
Total Limited English Proficient (LEP) Population	3,998	2.9%	13.7%	12.2%
Spanish and LEP	1,708	1.2%	8.0%	7.1%
Other Indo-European languages and LEP	1,621	1.2%	3.1%	2.8%
Asian and Pacific Islander languages and LEP	522	0.4%	2.0%	1.9%
Other languages and LEP	147	0.1%	0.5%	0.5%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 4: ASIAN POPULATION BY SPECIFIC ORIGIN, SUSSEX COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Sussex County Number	Sussex County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total Asian Population	2,864	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Filipino	814	28.4%	14.1%	13.7%
Asian Indian	766	26.7%	44.6%	43.8%
Chinese, except Taiwanese	496	17.3%	17.7%	17.9%
Korean	368	12.8%	12.0%	11.4%
Pakistani	126	4.4%	3.4%	3.5%
Taiwanese	91	3.2%	0.8%	0.8%
Other Asian	75	2.6%	0.6%	0.6%
Vietnamese	41	1.4%	1.8%	2.7%
Thai	30	1.0%	0.4%	0.4%
Indonesian	28	1.0%	0.2%	0.2%
Malaysian	10	0.3%	0.1%	0.1%
Two or more Asian	7	0.2%	1.0%	1.0%
Japanese	5	0.2%	1.6%	1.6%
Nepalese	4	0.1%	0.2%	0.2%
Cambodian	3	0.1%	0.1%	0.2%
Bangladeshi	0	0.0%	1.1%	1.4%
Bhutanese	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Burmese	0	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%
Hmong	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Laotian	0	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%
Mongolian	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Okinawan	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Sri Lankan	0	0.0%	0.3%	0.3%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 5: HISPANIC OR LATINO POPULATION BY SPECIFIC ORIGIN, SUSSEX COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Sussex County Number	Sussex County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total Hispanic or Latino Population	10,778	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Puerto Rican	4,088	37.9%	23.3%	27.2%
Mexican	1,007	9.3%	12.5%	13.6%
All other Hispanic or Latino	647	6.0%	2.5%	2.4%
Colombian	630	5.8%	7.8%	6.9%
Cuban	598	5.5%	5.8%	5.2%
Peruvian	538	5.0%	5.7%	5.0%
Guatemalan	504	4.7%	2.8%	3.5%
Uruguayan	499	4.6%	0.7%	0.6%
Spaniard	439	4.1%	1.7%	1.6%
Chilean	341	3.2%	0.6%	0.5%
Spanish	338	3.1%	0.5%	0.5%
Ecuadorian	326	3.0%	8.0%	7.1%
Dominican	288	2.7%	16.5%	15.1%
Argentinean	131	1.2%	1.0%	0.9%
Honduran	127	1.2%	2.8%	2.7%
Salvadoran	103	1.0%	4.6%	4.0%
Costa Rican	58	0.5%	1.2%	1.2%
Paraguayan	41	0.4%	0.2%	0.1%
Nicaraguan	39	0.4%	0.5%	0.5%
Bolivian	21	0.2%	0.3%	0.2%
Panamanian	11	0.1%	0.4%	0.4%
Venezuelan	4	0.0%	0.6%	0.6%
Spanish American	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 6: TOP 20 NATIONAL ORIGINS, SUSSEX COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Sussex County Number	Sussex County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total Foreign-Born Population	11,453			
Poland	802	7.0%	2.4%	2.4%
Italy	577	5.0%	2.1%	2.1%
Philippines	532	4.6%	4.4%	4.3%
United Kingdom (inc. Crown Dependencies)	491	4.3%	1.2%	1.3%
Germany	461	4.0%	0.9%	1.0%
Uruguay	426	3.7%	0.5%	0.4%
India	423	3.7%	12.9%	12.8%
Other	412	3.6%	2.2%	2.3%
Peru	360	3.1%	3.3%	3.0%
Colombia	353	3.1%	4.4%	4.1%
Guatemala	316	2.8%	1.8%	2.3%
Mexico	305	2.7%	5.5%	6.2%
Korea	297	2.6%	3.7%	3.6%
Chile	275	2.4%	0.3%	0.3%
Romania	264	2.3%	0.3%	0.3%
Costa Rica	243	2.1%	0.7%	0.7%
Canada	223	1.9%	0.7%	0.8%
Greece	202	1.8%	0.5%	0.5%
China, excluding Hong Kong and Taiwan	200	1.7%	3.6%	3.7%
Netherlands	189	1.7%	0.1%	0.1%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

UNION COUNTY

DIVERSITY PROFILE

- » **Large black or African-American population.** Of Union County's 557,320 residents, 40.7% identify as black or African American. The county's percentage of black or African American residents is nearly four times that of the NJTPA region (11.7%) and the state (12.7%).
- » **Puerto Ricans, Columbians, and Dominicans are the largest Hispanic sub-groups.** 30.7% of Union County residents identify as Hispanic or Latino, higher than that of the region (21.6%) and the state (19.7%). Puerto Ricans comprise 18.4% of the county's Hispanic population, lower than the percentage in the region (23.3%) and the state (27.2%). Columbians are the second largest sub-group, comprising 12.6% of the Hispanic population, almost twice as high as compared to both the region (7.8%) and the state (6.9%). The third largest Hispanic sub-group is Dominicans, comprising 10.9% of the county's Hispanic population, lower than in the region (16.5%) and the state (15.1%).
- » **Largest foreign-born groups originate from Columbia and El Salvador.** The percentage of foreign-born residents originating from Columbia is larger than in the region (4.4%) and the state (4.1%). The share of foreign-born residents from El Salvador is also larger than in the region (2.6%) and the state (2.4%).
- » **Comparatively high proportions of immigrants from Haiti and Portugal.** A larger percentage of the foreign-born population in Union County originates from Haiti (6.5%) compared to the region (2.2%) and the state (2.2%). Similarly, the share of foreign-born residents originating from Portugal (5.6%) is larger than in the region (1.8%) and the state (1.6%).
- » **14.3% of the population speaks Spanish and has limited English proficiency.** Individuals who both speak Spanish at home and have limited English proficiency comprise 14.3% of the county's population, or 74,507 individuals. Spanish is spoken at home by 28.1% of the county's population or by 146,805 individuals.
- » **Smaller proportions of Asian and white residents.** The white population (40.7%) is lower as compared to the region (54%) and the state (56.1%). Similarly, the proportion of Asians in the county, at 4.9%, is approximately half that of both the region (10.6%) and the state (9.4%). The largest Asian sub-groups are Asian Indian (31.8% of the Asian population), Filipino (26.9%) and Chinese (24.2%).
- » **10.3% poverty rate.** Union County has a poverty rate of 10.3%, which is similar to the region (10.5%) and the state (10.7%). Individuals with income below 185% of the poverty level comprise 24.2% of the county population, slightly greater than the region (21.8%) and the state (22.2%).

TABLE 1: RACE AND ETHNICITY BY HISPANIC OR LATINO ORIGIN, UNION COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Union County Number	Union County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total population	557,320	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Not Hispanic or Latino	386,131	69.3%	78.4%	80.3%
White	226,675	40.7%	54.0%	56.1%
Black or African American	111,889	20.1%	11.7%	12.7%
Asian	27,503	4.9%	10.6%	9.4%
Some other race	11,682	2.1%	0.5%	0.4%
Two or more races	7,926	1.4%	1.4%	1.7%
American Indian and Alaska Native	410	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	46	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Hispanic or Latino	171,189	30.7%	21.6%	19.7%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 2: ECONOMIC INDICATORS, UNION COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Union County Number	Union County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Individuals in poverty	56,826	10.3%	10.5%	10.7%
Individuals under 185% of the poverty level	133,463	24.2%	21.8%	22.2%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 3: LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENCY, UNION COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Union County Number	Union County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Language Spoken at Home (pop. age 5 and over)	522,042	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
English	294,589	56.4%	65.3%	69.0%
Spanish	146,805	28.1%	17.9%	16.1%
Other Indo-European languages	57,954	11.1%	9.4%	8.3%
Asian and Pacific Islander languages	14,085	2.7%	5.4%	4.8%
Other languages	8,609	1.6%	1.9%	1.7%
Total Limited English Proficient (LEP) Population	103,921	19.9%	13.7%	12.2%
Spanish and LEP	74,507	14.3%	8.0%	7.1%
Other Indo-European languages and LEP	22,374	4.3%	3.1%	2.8%
Asian and Pacific Islander languages and LEP	4,691	0.9%	2.0%	1.9%
Other languages and LEP	2,349	0.4%	0.5%	0.5%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 4: ASIAN POPULATION BY SPECIFIC ORIGIN, UNION COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Union County Number	Union County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total Asian Population	27,819	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Asian Indian	8,839	31.8%	44.6%	43.8%
Filipino	7,488	26.9%	14.1%	13.7%
Chinese, except Taiwanese	6,745	24.2%	17.7%	17.9%
Korean	1,324	4.8%	12.0%	11.4%
Vietnamese	945	3.4%	1.8%	2.7%
Japanese	562	2.0%	1.6%	1.6%
Other Asian	476	1.7%	0.6%	0.6%
Pakistani	417	1.5%	3.4%	3.5%
Two or more Asian	311	1.1%	1.0%	1.0%
Bangladeshi	229	0.8%	1.1%	1.4%
Taiwanese	122	0.4%	0.8%	0.8%
Nepalese	88	0.3%	0.2%	0.2%
Thai	86	0.3%	0.4%	0.4%
Sri Lankan	73	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%
Cambodian	48	0.2%	0.1%	0.2%
Malaysian	43	0.2%	0.1%	0.1%
Burmese	23	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
Bhutanese	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Hmong	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Indonesian	0	0.0%	0.2%	0.2%
Laotian	0	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%
Mongolian	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Okinawan	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 5: HISPANIC OR LATINO POPULATION BY SPECIFIC ORIGIN, UNION COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Union County Number	Union County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total Hispanic or Latino Population	171,189	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Puerto Rican	31,461	18.4%	23.3%	27.2%
Colombian	21,509	12.6%	7.8%	6.9%
Dominican	18,709	10.9%	16.5%	15.1%
Salvadoran	16,526	9.7%	4.6%	4.0%
Cuban	13,623	8.0%	5.8%	5.2%
Ecuadorian	12,676	7.4%	8.0%	7.1%
Mexican	12,138	7.1%	12.5%	13.6%
Peruvian	10,812	6.3%	5.7%	5.0%
Guatemalan	8,446	4.9%	2.8%	3.5%
All other Hispanic or Latino	5,168	3.0%	2.5%	2.4%
Honduran	4,766	2.8%	2.8%	2.7%
Spaniard	2,998	1.8%	1.7%	1.6%
Costa Rican	2,904	1.7%	1.2%	1.2%
Uruguayan	2,676	1.6%	0.7%	0.6%
Argentinean	1,603	0.9%	1.0%	0.9%
Nicaraguan	1,158	0.7%	0.5%	0.5%
Spanish	1,078	0.6%	0.5%	0.5%
Chilean	932	0.5%	0.6%	0.5%
Venezuelan	887	0.5%	0.6%	0.6%
Panamanian	609	0.4%	0.4%	0.4%
Bolivian	417	0.2%	0.3%	0.2%
Paraguayan	83	0.0%	0.2%	0.1%
Spanish American	10	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 6: TOP 20 NATIONAL ORIGINS, UNION COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Union County Number	Union County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total Foreign-Born Population	166,666			
Colombia	14,073	8.4%	4.4%	4.1%
El Salvador	11,855	7.1%	2.6%	2.4%
Dominican Republic	11,026	6.6%	8.5%	8.1%
Haiti	10,890	6.5%	2.2%	2.2%
Portugal	9,267	5.6%	1.8%	1.6%
Ecuador	8,634	5.2%	4.3%	4.0%
Peru	7,778	4.7%	3.3%	3.0%
Cuba	7,406	4.4%	2.5%	2.2%
Mexico	6,797	4.1%	5.5%	6.2%
Guatemala	6,685	4.0%	1.8%	2.3%
Philippines	5,830	3.5%	4.4%	4.3%
India	5,255	3.2%	12.9%	12.8%
Poland	5,147	3.1%	2.4%	2.4%
Brazil	3,936	2.4%	1.5%	1.4%
Honduras	3,529	2.1%	1.6%	1.6%
China, excluding Hong Kong and Taiwan	3,338	2.0%	3.6%	3.7%
Jamaica	3,290	2.0%	2.1%	2.2%
Italy	3,095	1.9%	2.1%	2.1%
Other	2,973	1.8%	2.2%	2.3%
Costa Rica	2,175	1.3%	0.7%	0.7%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 7: TOP 20 LANGUAGES SPOKEN AT HOME BY LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENT SPEAKERS, UNION COUNTY, NJ

Language	Number of Speakers who Speak English less than "Very Well"	Total Number of Speakers
Population that speaks a language other than English at home	102,210	211,274
Spanish	71,585	131,760
Portuguese	8,785	19,655
French Creole	4,591	10,106
Polish	3,291	6,647
Italian	1,869	5,130
Tagalog	1,346	4,435
Russian	1,252	2,779
Chinese	1,225	2,770
French	850	3,040
Kru, Ibo, Yoruba	755	3,540
Gujarati	750	2,230
Arabic	622	1,828
Korean	447	1,041
Ukrainian	410	1,070
Vietnamese	360	634
German	335	1,525
Bengali	310	500
Mandarin	270	585
Slovak	235	510
Tamil	210	630

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2009-2013

WARREN COUNTY

DIVERSITY PROFILE

- » **82.9% white.** Warren County has a population of 107,088, 82.9% of whom identify as white. The county's percentage of white residents is significantly higher than in the NJTPA region (54%) and the state (56.1%).
- » **Smaller proportions of all other races.** All non-white racial categories are present in Warren County in smaller proportions compared to both the region and the state. The percentages of Hispanic or Latino residents in the county (8.6%), black or African American residents (4.2%), and Asian residents (2.9%) are two to three times less than in both the region and the state.
- » **Top 3 foreign-born groups originate from India, the Philippines and Mexico.** Of the county's 9,944 foreign-born residents, 7.2% originate from India, 6.9% from the Philippines, and 5.9% from Mexico. The fourth and fifth largest foreign-born groups are from Honduras (5.6%) and Ecuador (5.2%).
- » **The largest Hispanic sub-groups are Puerto Rican, Mexican, Honduran, and Ecuadorian.** Of the County's 9,227 residents of Hispanic or Latino origin, 34.6% are Puerto Rican, greater than the percentage in both the region (23.3%) and the state (27.2%). Mexicans are the second largest Hispanic sub-group, at 10.2% of the Hispanic population, which is a lower as compared to both the region (12.5%) and the state (13.6%).

Hondurans comprise 9% (828 residents) of the county's Hispanic population, triple the proportion of Hondurans in both the region (2.8%) and the state (2.7%). The fourth largest Hispanic sub-group is Ecuadorian, comprising 8.1% of the county's Hispanic population (746 residents), similar to the percentage in both the region (8.0%) and the state (7.1%).

- » **The Hispanic population includes a relatively high percentage of Hondurans.** A higher percentage of foreign-born residents in Warren County originates from Honduras (5.6%) compared to the region (1.6%) and the state (1.6%). Similarly, 9% of Hispanic residents in the county identify as ethnically Honduran, three times the percentage in the region (2.8%) and the state (2.7%).
- » **2.8% of the population speaks Spanish and has limited English proficiency.** Individuals who both speak Spanish at home and have limited English proficiency comprise 2.8% of the county's population, or 2,817 individuals. Spanish is spoken at home by 5.6% of the county's population.
- » **8.2% poverty rate.** Warren County has a poverty rate of 8.2%, which is lower than the percentage in the region (10.5%) and the state (10.7%). Individuals with income below 185% of the poverty level comprise 18.2% of the county population, a lower percentage than in the region (21.8%) and the state (22.2%).

TABLE 1: RACE AND ETHNICITY BY HISPANIC OR LATINO ORIGIN, WARREN COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Warren County Number	Warren County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total population	107,088	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Not Hispanic or Latino	97,861	91.4%	78.4%	80.3%
White	88,750	82.9%	54.0%	56.1%
Black or African American	4,537	4.2%	11.7%	12.7%
Asian	3,077	2.9%	10.6%	9.4%
Two or more races	1,299	1.2%	1.4%	1.7%
Some other race	123	0.1%	0.5%	0.4%
American Indian and Alaska Native	54	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	21	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Hispanic or Latino	9,227	8.6%	21.6%	19.7%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 2: ECONOMIC INDICATORS, WARREN COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Warren County Number	Warren County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Individuals in poverty	8,602	8.2%	10.5%	10.7%
Individuals under 185% of the poverty level	19,129	18.2%	21.8%	22.2%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 3: LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENCY, WARREN COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Warren County Number	Warren County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Language Spoken at Home (pop. age 5 and over)	102,029	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
English	90,272	88.5%	65.3%	69.0%
Spanish	5,730	5.6%	17.9%	16.1%
Other Indo-European languages	3,745	3.7%	9.4%	8.3%
Asian and Pacific Islander languages	1,550	1.5%	5.4%	4.8%
Other languages	732	0.7%	1.9%	1.7%
Total Limited English Proficient (LEP) Population	4,785	4.7%	13.7%	12.2%
Spanish and LEP	2,817	2.8%	8.0%	7.1%
Other Indo-European languages and LEP	1,168	1.1%	3.1%	2.8%
Asian and Pacific Islander languages and LEP	576	0.6%	2.0%	1.9%
Other languages and LEP	224	0.2%	0.5%	0.5%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 4: ASIAN POPULATION BY SPECIFIC ORIGIN, WARREN COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Warren County Number	Warren County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total Asian Population	3,077	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Asian Indian	952	30.9%	44.6%	43.8%
Filipino	871	28.3%	14.1%	13.7%
Chinese, except Taiwanese	410	13.3%	17.7%	17.9%
Korean	318	10.3%	12.0%	11.4%
Pakistani	165	5.4%	3.4%	3.5%
Vietnamese	118	3.8%	1.8%	2.7%
Two or more Asian	108	3.5%	1.0%	1.0%
Japanese	67	2.2%	1.6%	1.6%
Other Asian	26	0.8%	0.6%	0.6%
Laotian	17	0.6%	0.1%	0.1%
Thai	16	0.5%	0.4%	0.4%
Indonesian	8	0.3%	0.2%	0.2%
Burmese	1	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%
Bangladeshi	0	0.0%	1.1%	1.4%
Bhutanese	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Cambodian	0	0.0%	0.1%	0.2%
Hmong	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Malaysian	0	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%
Mongolian	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Nepalese	0	0.0%	0.2%	0.2%
Okinawan	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Sri Lankan	0	0.0%	0.3%	0.3%
Taiwanese	0	0.0%	0.8%	0.8%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 5: HISPANIC OR LATINO POPULATION BY SPECIFIC ORIGIN, WARREN COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Warren County Number	Warren County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total Hispanic or Latino Population	9,227	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Puerto Rican	3,188	34.6%	23.3%	27.2%
Mexican	941	10.2%	12.5%	13.6%
Honduran	828	9.0%	2.8%	2.7%
Ecuadorian	746	8.1%	8.0%	7.1%
Cuban	495	5.4%	5.8%	5.2%
All other Hispanic or Latino	407	4.4%	2.5%	2.4%
Costa Rican	337	3.7%	1.2%	1.2%
Guatemalan	335	3.6%	2.8%	3.5%
Salvadoran	324	3.5%	4.6%	4.0%
Colombian	324	3.5%	7.8%	6.9%
Dominican	284	3.1%	16.5%	15.1%
Spaniard	220	2.4%	1.7%	1.6%
Uruguayan	218	2.4%	0.7%	0.6%
Peruvian	209	2.3%	5.7%	5.0%
Chilean	139	1.5%	0.6%	0.5%
Spanish	74	0.8%	0.5%	0.5%
Argentinean	58	0.6%	1.0%	0.9%
Panamanian	36	0.4%	0.4%	0.4%
Nicaraguan	29	0.3%	0.5%	0.5%
Paraguayan	21	0.2%	0.2%	0.1%
Bolivian	8	0.1%	0.3%	0.2%
Spanish American	6	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%
Venezuelan	0	0.0%	0.6%	0.6%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 6: TOP 20 NATIONAL ORIGINS, WARREN COUNTY, NJ

Characteristic	Warren County Number	Warren County	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total Foreign-Born Population	9,944			
India	716	7.2%	12.9%	12.8%
Philippines	689	6.9%	4.4%	4.3%
Mexico	584	5.9%	5.5%	6.2%
Honduras	558	5.6%	1.6%	1.6%
Ecuador	520	5.2%	4.3%	4.0%
Germany	373	3.8%	0.9%	1.0%
Italy	321	3.2%	2.1%	2.1%
United Kingdom (inc. Crown Dependencies)	298	3.0%	1.2%	1.3%
Poland	297	3.0%	2.4%	2.4%
Costa Rica	291	2.9%	0.7%	0.7%
Colombia	270	2.7%	4.4%	4.1%
Guatemala	242	2.4%	1.8%	2.3%
Korea	239	2.4%	3.7%	3.6%
Jamaica	212	2.1%	2.1%	2.2%
Peru	209	2.1%	3.3%	3.0%
El Salvador	197	2.0%	2.6%	2.4%
China, excluding Hong Kong and Taiwan	195	2.0%	3.6%	3.7%
Cuba	193	1.9%	2.5%	2.2%
Ireland	191	1.9%	0.4%	0.4%
Other	189	1.9%	2.2%	2.3%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

JERSEY CITY

DIVERSITY PROFILE

- » **25.3% Asian.** Jersey City has a population of 265,932, 25.3% of whom identify as Asian. The percentage of Asian residents is more than twice that of the NJTPA region (10.6%) and the state (9.4%).
- » **The largest Asian sub-groups are Indian and Filipino.** There are 67,526 residents of Asian origin in Jersey City. The population of Indian residents numbers 31,578, comprising 46.8% of the Asian population, greater than the percentage in the NJTPA region (44.6%) and the state (43.8%). Filipino is the second largest Asian sub-group, at 16,610 residents, or 24.6% of the Asian population, which is a higher percentage than in both the region (14.1%) and the state (13.7%).

The third largest Asian sub-group is Chinese, at 9,158 residents, comprising 13.6% of the city's Asian population. This is lower than the percentage in the region (17.7%) and the state (17.9%). Pakistanis are the fourth largest Asian sub-group at 2,876 residents. They comprise 4.3% of the city's Asian population, higher than the proportion of Pakistanis in both the region (3.4%) and the state (3.5%).

- » **Top 3 foreign-born groups originate from India, Philippines and Dominican Republic.** Of the city's 110,944 foreign-born residents, 21.9% are Asian Indian, 11% are Filipino, and 9.5% are Dominican. Of Hudson County's 292,342 foreign-born residents, 110,944 or 38% live in Jersey City.

Other foreign-born groups present at relatively high percentages include Egyptians and Pakistanis. Jersey City's Egyptian-born population, at 4.6% of the total foreign-born population, is more than twice that in the region (1.6%) and the state (1.5%). Similarly, 2.9% of the population originates from Pakistan, more than double the percentage in the region (1.2%) and the state (1.3%).

- » **Puerto Ricans, Dominicans, and Ecuadorians are the largest Hispanic sub-groups.** The percentage of Hispanic or Latino residents in Jersey City (28.8%) is higher as compared to the region (21.6%) and the state (19.7%). The largest Hispanic sub-groups are Puerto Rican (33.7% of the Hispanic population), Dominican (22.9% of the Hispanic population), and Ecuadorian (8.5% of the Hispanic population), all of which are present in the city at higher percentages than in the region and the state.
- » **9.8% of the population speaks Spanish and has limited English proficiency.** Individuals who both speak Spanish at home and have limited English proficiency comprise 9.8% of the city population, or 23,953 individuals. Spanish is spoken at home by 23% of the city's population.
- » **18.7% poverty rate.** Jersey City has a poverty rate of 18.7%, which is higher than in the region (10.5%) and the state (10.7%). Individuals with income below 185% of the poverty level comprise 33.2% of the population, a larger percentage than the region (21.8%) and the state (22.2%).

TABLE 1: RACE AND ETHNICITY BY HISPANIC OR LATINO ORIGIN, JERSEY CITY, NJ

Characteristic	Jersey City Number	Jersey City	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total population	265,932	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Not Hispanic or Latino	189,295	71.2%	78.4%	80.3%
Asian	67,225	25.3%	10.6%	9.4%
Black or African American	58,767	22.1%	11.7%	12.7%
White	55,493	20.9%	54.0%	56.1%
Two or more races	5,466	2.1%	1.4%	1.7%
Some other race	1,714	0.6%	0.5%	0.4%
American Indian and Alaska Native	506	0.2%	0.1%	0.1%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	124	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Hispanic or Latino	76,637	28.8%	21.6%	19.7%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 2: ECONOMIC INDICATORS, JERSEY CITY, NJ

Characteristic	Jersey City Number	Jersey City	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Individuals in poverty	49,218	18.7%	10.5%	10.7%
Individuals under 185% of the poverty level	87,541	33.2%	21.8%	22.2%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 3: LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENCY, JERSEY CITY, NJ

Characteristic	Jersey City Number	Jersey City	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Language Spoken at Home (pop. age 5 and over)	245,452	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
English	115,433	47.0%	65.3%	69.0%
Spanish	56,468	23.0%	17.9%	16.1%
Other Indo-European languages	32,962	13.4%	9.4%	8.3%
Asian and Pacific Islander languages	29,691	12.1%	5.4%	4.8%
Other languages	10,898	4.4%	1.9%	1.7%
Total Limited English Proficient (LEP) Population	52,587	21.4%	13.7%	12.2%
Spanish and LEP	23,953	9.8%	8.0%	7.1%
Other Indo-European languages and LEP	12,111	4.9%	3.1%	2.8%
Asian and Pacific Islander languages and LEP	10,934	4.5%	2.0%	1.9%
Other languages and LEP	5,589	2.3%	0.5%	0.5%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 4: ASIAN POPULATION BY SPECIFIC ORIGIN, JERSEY CITY, NJ

Characteristic	Jersey City Number	Jersey City	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total Asian Population	67,526	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Asian Indian	31,578	46.8%	44.6%	43.8%
Filipino	16,610	24.6%	14.1%	13.7%
Chinese, except Taiwanese	9,158	13.6%	17.7%	17.9%
Pakistani	2,876	4.3%	3.4%	3.5%
Korean	2,787	4.1%	12.0%	11.4%
Vietnamese	1,813	2.7%	1.8%	2.7%
Two or more Asian	730	1.1%	1.0%	1.0%
Japanese	518	0.8%	1.6%	1.6%
Other Asian	402	0.6%	0.6%	0.6%
Taiwanese	221	0.3%	0.8%	0.8%
Thai	216	0.3%	0.4%	0.4%
Bangladeshi	208	0.3%	1.1%	1.4%
Nepalese	199	0.3%	0.2%	0.2%
Sri Lankan	57	0.1%	0.3%	0.3%
Laotian	51	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
Cambodian	38	0.1%	0.1%	0.2%
Burmese	34	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%
Hmong	12	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Malaysian	7	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%
Mongolian	6	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Indonesian	5	0.0%	0.2%	0.2%
Bhutanese	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Okinawan	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 5: HISPANIC OR LATINO POPULATION BY SPECIFIC ORIGIN, JERSEY CITY, NJ

Characteristic	Jersey City Number	Jersey City	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total Hispanic or Latino Population	76,637	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Puerto Rican	25,819	33.7%	23.3%	27.2%
Dominican	17,533	22.9%	16.5%	15.1%
Ecuadorian	6,496	8.5%	8.0%	7.1%
Mexican	5,627	7.3%	12.5%	13.6%
Honduran	4,248	5.5%	2.8%	2.7%
Colombian	3,001	3.9%	7.8%	6.9%
All other Hispanic or Latino	2,326	3.0%	2.5%	2.4%
Salvadoran	2,248	2.9%	4.6%	4.0%
Peruvian	1,903	2.5%	5.7%	5.0%
Cuban	1,751	2.3%	5.8%	5.2%
Guatemalan	1,610	2.1%	2.8%	3.5%
Argentinean	965	1.3%	1.0%	0.9%
Venezuelan	567	0.7%	0.6%	0.6%
Panamanian	453	0.6%	0.4%	0.4%
Nicaraguan	394	0.5%	0.5%	0.5%
Spaniard	373	0.5%	1.7%	1.6%
Bolivian	342	0.4%	0.3%	0.2%
Chilean	322	0.4%	0.6%	0.5%
Costa Rican	201	0.3%	1.2%	1.2%
Spanish	192	0.3%	0.5%	0.5%
Uruguayan	150	0.2%	0.7%	0.6%
Paraguayan	103	0.1%	0.2%	0.1%
Spanish American	13	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 6: TOP 20 NATIONAL ORIGINS, JERSEY CITY, NJ

Characteristic	Jersey City Number	Jersey City	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total Foreign-Born Population	110,944			
India	24,269	21.9%	12.9%	12.8%
Philippines	12,216	11.0%	4.4%	4.3%
Dominican Republic	10,532	9.5%	8.5%	8.1%
China, excluding Hong Kong and Taiwan	6,212	5.6%	3.6%	3.7%
Egypt	5,058	4.6%	1.6%	1.5%
Ecuador	4,238	3.8%	4.3%	4.0%
Other	3,770	3.4%	2.2%	2.3%
Pakistan	3,188	2.9%	1.2%	1.3%
Honduras	2,814	2.5%	1.6%	1.6%
Mexico	2,753	2.5%	5.5%	6.2%
Guyana	2,678	2.4%	1.2%	1.1%
Korea	2,050	1.8%	3.7%	3.6%
Colombia	1,919	1.7%	4.4%	4.1%
Haiti	1,544	1.4%	2.2%	2.2%
El Salvador	1,499	1.4%	2.6%	2.4%
Guatemala	1,464	1.3%	1.8%	2.3%
Kenya	1,388	1.3%	0.3%	0.3%
Vietnam	1,315	1.2%	0.6%	0.9%
Jamaica	1,315	1.2%	2.1%	2.2%
Peru	1,178	1.1%	3.3%	3.0%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

NEWARK

DIVERSITY PROFILE

- » **48.3% black or African American.** Newark has a population of 282,803, 48.3% of whom identify as black or African-American. The city's percentage of black or African American residents is more than four times that of the NJTPA region (11.7%) and the state (12.7%).
- » **The largest Hispanic sub-groups in the city are Puerto Ricans, Ecuadorian, and Dominicans.** Newark's population is 36.4% Hispanic or Latino, significantly higher than in the region (21.6%) and the state (19.7%). Puerto Ricans comprise 35.5% of the city's Hispanic population, higher compared to the region (23.3%) and the state (27.2%). Ecuadorians are the second largest sub-group, comprising 20.1% of the Hispanic population, or 20,698 residents, more than double the proportion in both the region (8%) and the state (7.1%). The third largest Hispanic sub-group is Dominicans, comprising 16.5% of the city's Hispanic population, which is on par when compared to the region (16.5%) and the state (15.1%).
- » **Top 3 foreign-born groups are Ecuadorians, Dominicans, and Brazilians.** In addition to being among the largest Hispanic sub-groups, Ecuadorians and Dominicans are also among the top two largest foreign-born groups in the city. Of the city's 83,149 foreign-born residents, 16.7% are Ecuadorian, 12.8% are Dominican and 9.3% are Brazilian. The fourth and fifth largest foreign-born groups are Portuguese (8.5%) and Nigerian (4.5%).
- » **Comparatively large Brazilian and Portuguese born populations.** Newark's Brazilian-born population, 9.3% of the foreign-born population, is much higher than that in the region (1.5%) and the state (1.4%). Similarly, 8.5% of the foreign-born population originates from Portugal, also much higher than the percentage in the region (1.8%) and the state (1.6%).
- » **16.9% of the population speaks Spanish and has limited English proficiency.** Individuals who both speak Spanish at home and have limited English proficiency comprise 16.9% of the city's population, or 44,119 individuals. Spanish is spoken at home by 32.7% of the city's population or by 142,776 individuals.
- » **Smaller proportions of white and Asian population.** The city's white population is significantly lower (10.7%) as compared to the region (54%) and the state (56.1%). Similarly, the proportion of Asians in the city, at 1.7%, is lower compared to both the region (10.6%) and the state (9.4%).
- » **28.3% poverty rate.** Newark has a poverty rate of 28.3%, which is higher than in the region (10.5%) or the state (10.7%). Individuals with income below 185% of the poverty level comprise 51.2% of the city population, more than double the percentage in the region (21.8%) and the state (22.2%).

TABLE 1: RACE AND ETHNICITY BY HISPANIC OR LATINO ORIGIN, NEWARK, NJ

Characteristic	Newark Number	Newark	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total population	282,803	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Not Hispanic or Latino	179,908	63.6%	78.4%	80.3%
White	136,669	48.3%	11.7%	12.7%
Black or African American	30,186	10.7%	54.0%	56.1%
Asian	5,146	1.8%	0.5%	0.4%
Two or more races	4,837	1.7%	10.6%	9.4%
Some other race	2,103	0.7%	1.4%	1.7%
American Indian and Alaska Native	923	0.3%	0.1%	0.1%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander	44	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Hispanic or Latino	102,895	36.4%	21.6%	19.7%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 2: ECONOMIC INDICATORS, NEWARK, NJ

Characteristic	Newark Number	Newark	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Individuals in poverty	76,768	28.3%	10.5%	10.7%
Individuals under 185% of the poverty level	139,083	51.2%	21.8%	22.2%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 3: LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENCY, NEWARK, NJ

Characteristic	Newark Number	Newark	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Language Spoken at Home (pop. age 5 and over)	261,688	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
English	138,103	52.8%	65.3%	69.0%
Spanish	85,498	32.7%	17.9%	16.1%
Other Indo-European languages	26,973	10.3%	9.4%	8.3%
Asian and Pacific Islander languages	1,789	0.7%	5.4%	4.8%
Other languages	9,325	3.6%	1.9%	1.7%
Total Limited English Proficient (LEP) Population	60,664	23.2%	13.7%	12.2%
Spanish and LEP	44,119	16.9%	8.0%	7.1%
Other Indo-European languages and LEP	13,863	5.3%	3.1%	2.8%
Asian and Pacific Islander languages and LEP	871	0.3%	2.0%	1.9%
Other languages and LEP	1,811	0.7%	0.5%	0.5%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 4: ASIAN POPULATION BY SPECIFIC ORIGIN, NEWARK, NJ

Characteristic	Newark Number	Newark	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total Asian Population	4,938	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Asian Indian	1,945	39.4%	44.6%	43.8%
Chinese, except Taiwanese	852	17.3%	17.7%	17.9%
Filipino	597	12.1%	14.1%	13.7%
Bangladeshi	431	8.7%	1.1%	1.4%
Korean	405	8.2%	12.0%	11.4%
Pakistani	237	4.8%	3.4%	3.5%
Sri Lankan	180	3.6%	0.3%	0.3%
Vietnamese	96	1.9%	1.8%	2.7%
Indonesian	61	1.2%	0.2%	0.2%
Japanese	47	1.0%	1.6%	1.6%
Other Asian	38	0.8%	0.6%	0.6%
Thai	20	0.4%	0.4%	0.4%
Two or more Asian	20	0.4%	1.0%	1.0%
Taiwanese	9	0.2%	0.8%	0.8%
Bhutanese	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Burmese	0	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%
Cambodian	0	0.0%	0.1%	0.2%
Hmong	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Laotian	0	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%
Malaysian	0	0.0%	0.1%	0.1%
Mongolian	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Nepalese	0	0.0%	0.2%	0.2%
Okinawan	0	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 5: HISPANIC OR LATINO POPULATION BY SPECIFIC ORIGIN, NEWARK, NJ

Characteristic	Newark Number	Newark	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total Hispanic or Latino Population	102,895	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Puerto Rican	36,484	35.5%	23.3%	27.2%
Ecuadorian	20,698	20.1%	8.0%	7.1%
Dominican	17,015	16.5%	16.5%	15.1%
Mexican	4,843	4.7%	12.5%	13.6%
Salvadoran	3,928	3.8%	4.6%	4.0%
Honduran	3,180	3.1%	2.8%	2.7%
Peruvian	2,722	2.6%	5.7%	5.0%
All other Hispanic or Latino	2,382	2.3%	2.5%	2.4%
Guatemalan	2,082	2.0%	2.8%	3.5%
Cuban	2,049	2.0%	5.8%	5.2%
Colombian	1,747	1.7%	7.8%	6.9%
Spaniard	1,629	1.6%	1.7%	1.6%
Uruguayan	1,055	1.0%	0.7%	0.6%
Costa Rican	677	0.7%	1.2%	1.2%
Nicaraguan	677	0.7%	0.5%	0.5%
Argentinean	593	0.6%	1.0%	0.9%
Venezuelan	326	0.3%	0.6%	0.6%
Panamanian	225	0.2%	0.4%	0.4%
Chilean	210	0.2%	0.6%	0.5%
Spanish	184	0.2%	0.5%	0.5%
Bolivian	101	0.1%	0.3%	0.2%
Spanish American	72	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%
Paraguayan	16	0.0%	0.2%	0.1%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017

TABLE 6: TOP 20 NATIONAL ORIGINS, NEWARK, NJ

Characteristic	Newark Number	Newark	NJTPA Region	New Jersey
Total Foreign-Born Population	83,149			
Ecuador	13,912	16.7%	4.3%	4.0%
Dominican Republic	10,641	12.8%	8.5%	8.1%
Brazil	7,708	9.3%	1.5%	1.4%
Portugal	7,031	8.5%	1.8%	1.6%
Nigeria	3,713	4.5%	0.9%	0.9%
Other	3,001	3.6%	2.2%	2.3%
Guyana	2,936	3.5%	1.2%	1.1%
Ghana	2,867	3.4%	0.7%	0.7%
Jamaica	2,670	3.2%	2.1%	2.2%
Haiti	2,493	3.0%	2.2%	2.2%
El Salvador	2,464	3.0%	2.6%	2.4%
Mexico	2,428	2.9%	5.5%	6.2%
Honduras	2,138	2.6%	1.6%	1.6%
Peru	2,033	2.4%	3.3%	3.0%
Trinidad and Tobago	1,675	2.0%	0.8%	0.8%
Guatemala	1,352	1.6%	1.8%	2.3%
India	1,324	1.6%	12.9%	12.8%
Cuba	1,209	1.5%	2.5%	2.2%
Colombia	1,077	1.3%	4.4%	4.1%
Spain	1,068	1.3%	0.5%	0.5%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, ACS 5-Year estimates, 2013-2017