# Norwalk, California

## Indicators Report

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Exploring the economics, demographics, and well-being of Norwalk and its residents through indicators.

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## **Executive Summary**

## Assessing the City with Indicators

### About this Report

This report provides background or summary information for the city of Norwalk (the City) in the form of indicators.

## **Using this Report**

Indicators are measures of various aspects of a regional economy. They help to provide an indication of the quality of life in a region and progress toward improving conditions in the local economy. This report focuses on indicators for changing demographics, incomes, housing markets, commute patterns, and employment in Norwalk. These indicators are compared to Los Angeles County (the County) as a whole, a broader region where one is well defined, California, and the United Sates.

This report is vital for understanding trends in the underlying economy. It does not provide forecasts, but Rob Eyler and Jon Haveman at Economic Forensics and Analytics are available to provide them if that is of interest.

## **Topics Covered:**

- **Demographics:** A detailed snopshot of Norwalk demographics is presented. This provides evidence on the size, age and sex, income and poverty status, race and ethnicity, housing status, living arrangements, education, health, and transportation choices of the population. Beyond the current population level, data on trends in local population growth, in comparison with other broader regions is presented, in both tabular and graphical form.
- **Employment Report:** Here, we provide a brief snapshot or employment and unemployment in Norwalk and how the City's experience differs from broader regions.
- Income and Earnings: Vital to understanding the prosperity of a city relative to its surrounding area is information on income and earnings. We provide a ranking of the City's income relative to all cities in California as well as growth relative to local regions. Inequality and poverty status are also important indicators for the level of equity in the community. We provide evidence of trends in both, not only for all residents, but also for children separately.
- Housing: This section provides evidence on the cost and availability of housing. Both median home values and rental costs are included, along with detailed information on home ownership, by age and income, in particular. Further, evidence is provided on the housing burden in the City, again, in comparison with other broader regions. We also provide evidence on the rate at which new buildings and units are permitted along with a broader housing picture. Finally, we provide evidence on the age of the housing stock in Norwalk, along with information on how long the City's residents have been in place.
- Transportation: Increasingly important, in the wake of the pandemic, is an understanding of the transportation patterns and choices of local residents. We provide detailed evidence on the proprotion of residents who work from home and on the various transportation choices of those who head to the office. This information is also provided for those who work in Norwalk, but do not necessarily live in Norwalk.
- **Migration:** Population changes comes primarily through organic causes: births and deaths. Migration between regions also plays a significant role in population growth. A final section of the report provides evidence on migration into and out of the City.

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## Demographics

## Definition:

Data on the demographics of a city indicate the nature of the population, with a focus on age, gender, race and ethnicity, as well as household compositon.

## Why is it important?

The characteristics and growth of Norwalk's population are fundamental indicators of the city's growth potential.

## A Demographic Snapshot

Statistic	2022	201
POPULATION		
Population Estimate (#)	98,537.0	103,946.
Veterans (#)	1,886.0	2,595.
Foreign born persons (%, 5yr)	31.8	34.
Population age 25+ (#)	66,279.0	70,347.
AGE AND SEX		
Persons under 5 years (%)	7.7	6.
Persons under 18 years (%)	22.0	23.
Persons 65 years and over (%)	14.1	13.
Female persons (%)	50.4	49.
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Median household income (\$)	94,851.0	80,513.
Per capita income in past 12 months (\$)	31,155.0	24,559.
Persons in poverty (%)	9.2	7.
Children age less than 18 in poverty (#)	2,763.0	1,232.
Children age less than 18 in poverty (%)	12.9	5.
	13.5	37.
White alone (%)		
African American alone (%, 5yr)	4.5 1.7	4. 0.
American Indian or Alaska Native alone (%, 5yr) Asian alone (%)	16.1	12.
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone (%, 5yr)	0.7	0.
Two or More Races (%)	19.3	0.
Hispanic or Latino (%)	71.3	70.
White alone, not Hispanic or Latino (%, 5yr)	10.8	10.
HOUSING	10.0	10.
Housing units (#)	28,141.0	26,902.
Owner-occupied housing units (%)	71.5	20,302. 67.
Median value of owner-occupied housing units (\$)	626,700.0	491,600.
Median selected monthly owner costs-with a mortgage (\$)	2,283.0	2,087.
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Median gross rent (\$)	1,800.0	1,797.
FAMILIES AND LIVING ARRANGEMENTS	1,000.0	1,707.
Households (#)	27,200.0	26,257.
Persons per household (#)	3.6	3.
Living in same house 1 year ago, % of persons age 1+	94.3	94.
EDUCATION		• ···
High school graduate or higher, % of persons age 25+	75.0	78.
Bachelor's degree or higher, % of persons age 25+	20.9	22.
HEALTH		
With a disability, under age 65 years (#)	6,205.0	5,840.
Persons without health insurance, under age 65 years (%)	8.7	10.
LABOR FORCE		
n civilian labor force, persons age 16+ (%)	65.3	63.
In civilian labor force, women age 16+ (%)	58.7	60.
Employed, persons age 16+ (%)	60.1	58.
Self employed (%)	8.4	6.
TRANSPORTATION		
Mean travel time to work, workers age 16+ (Mins.)	25.4	31.4
Drive alone in private vehicle (%)	74.5	83.
Using public transportation (%)	1.9	3.
Worked from home (%)	11.3	1.

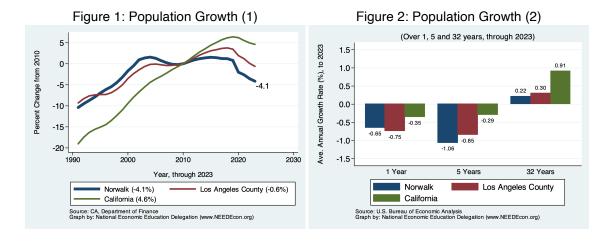
Source: American Community Survey, Summary Files Note: Data are from the 1-year files unless indicated by the notation 5yr.

## **Current Population**

The data in these two tables and the following two graphs are from the CA Department of Finance (DOF). The DOF produces population estimates for geographies around California twice a year: January and July. As estimates for cities are only available in January, these two tables are based on the January data. The remaining figures are from the American Community Survey (ACS), provided annually by the U.S. Bureau of the Census.

Table 1. Population Change by Region           (Thousands, January to January)							
	2023		% Char	nge			
Region	Population	1 Year	3 Year	5 Year			
City							
Norwalk	101, 153	-0.65	-4.63	-5.37			
County and Broader Regions							
Los Angeles County	9,761,210	-0.75	-3.69	-4.81			
Southern California	21,794,548	-0.41	-2.24	-2.84			
California	38,940,231	-0.35	-1.79	-2.01			

Source: CA DOF; Calculations by National Economic Education Delegation



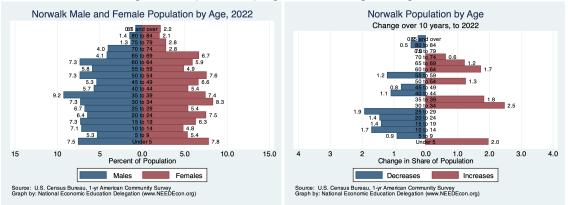
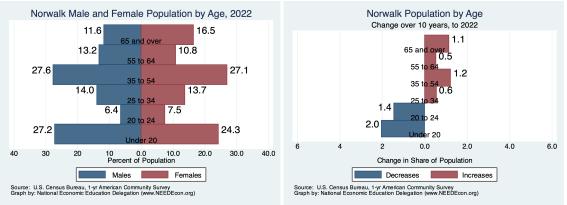


Figure 3: Population by Age - Detailed Age Categories

Figure 4: Population by Age - Broad Age Categories





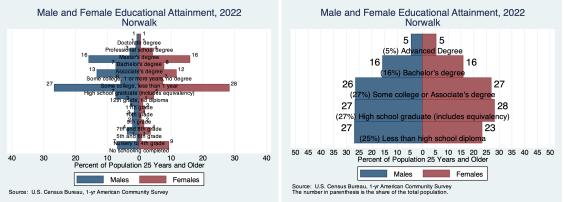


Table 2. County Population Change by City
(Thousands, January to January)

City	2022	2023	Local	% Change Southern California	California
os Angeles County	9,834.5	9,761.2	-0.75	-0.41	-0.35
Los Angeles	3,802.7	3,766.1	-0.96		
Long Beach	460.2	458.2	-0.44		
Santa Clarita	229.0	230.7	0.71		
Glendale	192.9	191.3	-0.82		
Lancaster	174.6	173.4	-0.70		
Palmdale	167.0	165.9	-0.66		
Pomona	149.9	149.7	-0.12		
Torrance	144.3	143.1	-0.88		
Pasadena	137.8	137.0	-0.60		
Downey	112.1	111.3	-0.73		
West Covina	107.6	107.9	0.23		
El Monte	107.3	106.4	-0.84		
Inglewood	106.9	106.2	-0.64		
Burbank	105.0	104.5	-0.42		
Norwalk	101.8	101.2	-0.65		
Compton	94.3	93.7	-0.61		
South Gate	93.4	92.6	-0.78		
Carson	92.7	92.2	-0.60		
Santa Monica	91.7	91.7	-0.02		
Whittier	87.7	87.3	-0.47		
Hawthorne	86.5	85.7	-0.96		
Alhambra	81.6	81.3	-0.37		
Lakewood	80.9	80.2	-0.92		
Bellflower	77.6	76.9	-0.92		
Baldwin Park	70.8	70.4	-0.63		
Redondo Beach	69.1	68.4	-0.97		
Lynwood	66.6	66.2	-0.55		
Montebello	61.8	61.6	-0.26		
Pico Rivera	61.4	61.0	-0.77		
Gardena	60.1	59.8	-0.47		
Monterey Park	59.8	59.3	-0.90		
Arcadia	55.9	55.5	-0.74		
Diamond Bar	53.9	53.4	-1.03		
Huntington Park	53.8	53.3	-0.93		
Paramount	52.6	52.2	-0.72		
Glendora	51.6	51.2	-0.80		
Covina	50.7	50.4	-0.67		
Rosemead	50.1	50.0	-0.17		
Azusa	49.5	49.5	0.06		
La Mirada	48.4	47.9	-1.00		
Cerritos	48.4	47.9	-1.06		
Rancho Palos Verdes	41.5	41.0	-1.02		
Culver City	40.0	39.7	-0.73		
San Gabriel	38.7	38.5	-0.58		
Bell Gardens	38.8	38.4	-0.84		
Monrovia	37.8	37.5	-0.62		
La Puente	37.6	37.4	-0.63		
Claremont	37.0	36.8	-0.74		
Temple City	36.0	35.8	-0.55		
West Hollywood	34.9	34.8	-0.39		
Manhattan Beach	34.7	34.3	-1.24		
San Dimas	34.4	34.1	-0.95		
Bell	33.6	33.4	-0.72		
La Verne	32.3	32.1	-0.89		
Beverly Hills	31.9	31.7	-0.90		
Lawndale	31.2	30.9	-0.93		
Walnut	27.7	27.6	-0.61		
South Pasadena	26.4	26.3	-0.59		
Maywood	24.8	24.5	-0.94		
San Fernando	23.5	23.5	-0.20		
Calabasas	23.0	22.8	-0.99		
Duarte	21.4	22.8	6.60		
Cudahy	22.4	22.3	-0.52		
Lomita	20.3	20.1	-1.02		
La Canada Flintridge	20.1	19.9	-0.65		
Agoura Hills	19.8	19.8	-0.03		
South El Monte	19.6	19.5	-0.85		
Hermosa Beach	19.2	19.0	-0.98		
Santa Fe Springs	18.7	18.6	-0.88		
El Segundo	17.0	16.9	-0.67		
Artesia	16.2	16.1	-0.81		
Hawaiian Gardens	13.7	13.5	-0.91		
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Signal Hill	11.5	11.4	-1.04 - 0.84		
Sierra Madre	10.9	10.8	-0.84 -0.81		
Malibu	10.9	10.8	-0.81 -0.21		
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Rolling Hills Estates	8.5	8.4	-0.40		

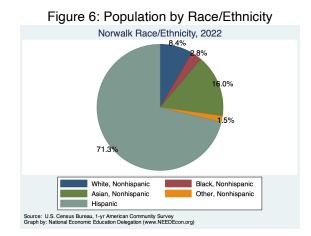
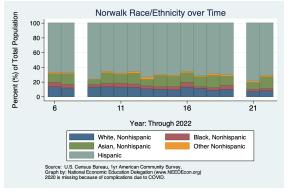


Figure 7: Population by Race/Ethnicity Over Time



## **Employment Report**

## **Citywide Employment and Unemployment**

## **Definition:**

Each month, California's Employment Development Division (EDD) publishes an update on employment in California and in MSAs, counties, and cities all across the state. The report focuses primarily on non-farm employment, providing estimates of changes in employment by industry as well as unemployment in each region. Data for cities is limited to aggregate employment, labor force, and unemployment data. Those are reported below.

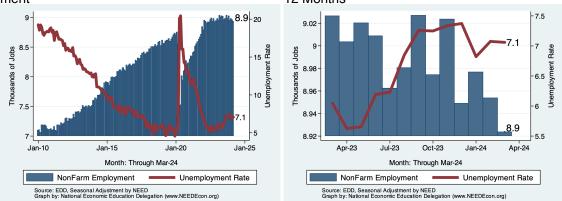
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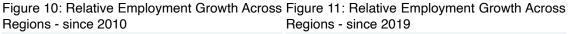
Employment growth is a fundamental indicator of the health of an economy.

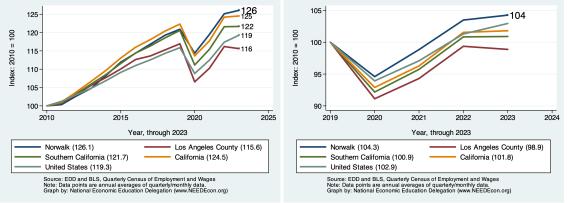
Table 3. Norwalk Summary for March, 2024								
	Change From:							
Category	Current Value	Last Month	2 Months Ago	Last Year				
Employment	8,924	-30	-53	-103				
Labor Force	9,644	9	15	96				
Number Unemployed	678	-4	21	97				
Unemployment Rate	7.0	-0.0	0.2	0.9				

Source: EDD, National Economic Education Delegation

Figure 8: Historical Employment and Unemploy- Figure 9: Employment and Unemployment - Last ment 12 Months







## County Employment by Industry

California's Employment Development Division (EDD) does not regularly produce data on employment by industry for cities. However, we are able to report industry-level employment data for Los Angeles County. The following table provides the latest data for the County.

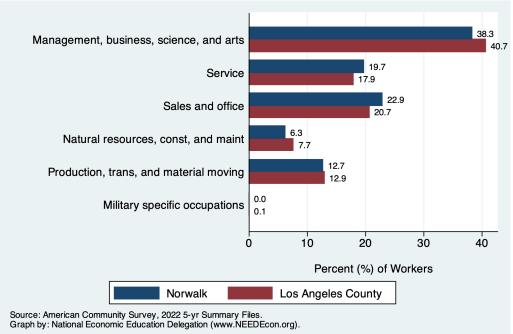
			Empl	% Growth - Annualized Rate					
Industry	Employment	Share	Growth	Month	Qtr	6mo	1yr	3yr	5yr
Total Nonfarm	4,571,176	100.0	10,019.7	2.7	1.9	1.8	0.4	3.0	0.0
Total Private	3,980,116	87.1	10,298.0	3.2	1.8	1.7	0.2	3.1	0.1
Goods Producing	467,870	10.2	18.0	0.0	-2.8	-1.2	-0.8	0.4	-1.0
Mining, Logging and Construction	151,916	3.3	532.2	4.3	-5.0	-0.7	0.2	-0.0	0.2
Mining and Logging	1,600	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	-5.9	0.0	-3.2
Construction	149,974	3.3	383.7	3.1	-5.7	-1.3	0.3	0.0	0.3
Manufacturing	316,063	6.9	-223.5	-0.8	-2.1	-1.5	-1.4	0.5	-1.5
Durable Goods	190,266	4.2	126.6	0.8	-1.4	-0.8	-0.7	0.7	-1.1
Non-Durable Goods	125,955	2.8	-296.8	-2.8	-3.0	-2.5	-2.4	0.3	-2.2
Service Providing	4,101,400	89.7	9,377.4	2.8	2.1	2.0	0.6	3.4	0.2
Trade, Trans & Utilities	824,556	18.0	-680.6	-1.0	-1.1	-0.2	-0.3	0.7	-0.6
Wholesale Trade	198, 134	4.3	-19.8	-0.1	-2.1	-1.6	-1.5	-0.4	-2.2
Retail Trade	406,837	8.9	88.1	0.3	-0.7	0.0	-0.2	1.3	-0.4
Trans & Warehousing	207,446	4.5	-739.7	-4.2	-0.3	0.8	0.6	0.5	0.9
Utilities	12,541	0.3	-4.9	-0.5	0.8	2.7	3.3	2.6	1.0
Information	178,723	3.9	2,431.1	17.9	3.5	0.4	-14.8	-2.7	-3.6
Financial Activities	210,643	4.6	-319.1	-1.8	4.2	0.5	-1.0	-0.2	-1.2
Finance & Insurance	122,234	2.7	82.9	0.8	1.2	-0.6	-1.2	-1.9	-2.0
Real Estate & Rental & Leasing	88,325	1.9	-180.4	-2.4	3.9	1.9	-0.8	2.5	-0.1
Professional & Business Srvcs	646, 393	14.1	1,136.2	2.1	2.2	-0.4	-1.9	1.5	-0.1
Prof, Sci, & Tech	312,951	6.8	-1,162.7	-4.4	-0.3	-1.1	-1.1	2.1	0.9
Admin & Support Srvcs	258,283	5.7	2,442.0	12.1	8.3	0.7	-3.2	1.2	-1.0
Employment Srvcs	96,576	2.1	1,117.0	15.0	12.8	-0.7	-8.1	-0.7	-2.2
Educational & Health Srvcs	948, 482	20.7	6,221.2	8.2	5.9	5.5	5.3	4.6	2.8
Education Srvcs	147,023	3.2	1,208.1	10.4	9.5	8.0	7.8	7.3	2.1
Health Care & Social Assistance	801,869	17.5	5,246.7	8.2	5.6	5.2	4.9	4.1	2.9
Leisure & Hospitality	539,744	11.8	-335.7	-0.7	1.3	1.4	1.3	13.8	-0.1
Arts, Entertainment & Recreation	93,094	2.0	-469.8	-5.9	-6.6	-7.9	-3.9	19.4	-0.5
Accommodation & Food Srvcs	444,463	9.7	-845.1	-2.3	-0.3	2.1	2.4	13.0	-0.1
Other Srvcs	160,653	3.5	-27.8	-0.2	0.8	3.0	2.9	9.1	0.4
Government	590, 364	12.9	72.7	0.1	3.1	2.0	1.9	2.4	-0.1
Federal	48,700	1.1	0.0	0.0	0.8	2.9	2.3	0.7	0.8
State	97,915	2.1	-158.6	-1.9	0.1	0.1	-0.1	3.5	1.1
Local	443,641	9.7	146.6	0.4	3.1	2.8	2.3	2.3	-0.4
County	103,766	2.3	109.3	1.3	1.0	-0.5	0.0	-1.0	-0.7
City	92,291	2.0	55.4	0.7	0.6	1.5	2.4	1.9	-0.4
Local Government Education	225,880	4.9	-153.1	-0.8	4.4	4.2	3.6	4.2	-0.4

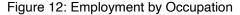
Table 4. Employment Growth by Industry in Los Angeles County for March, 2024

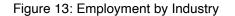
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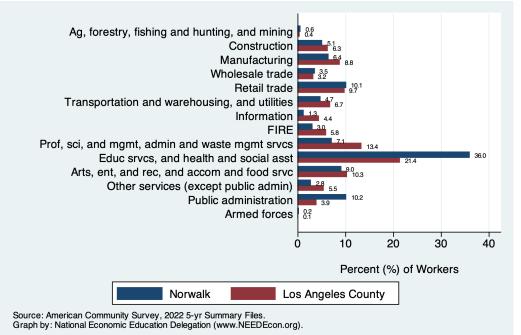
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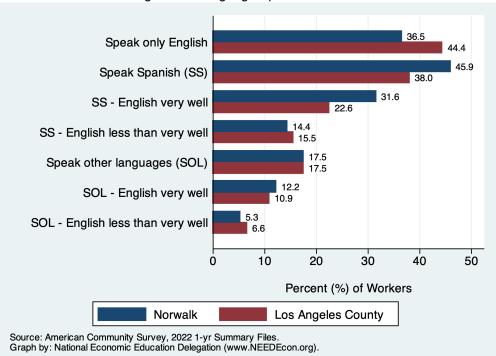
## **Employed in Norwalk**













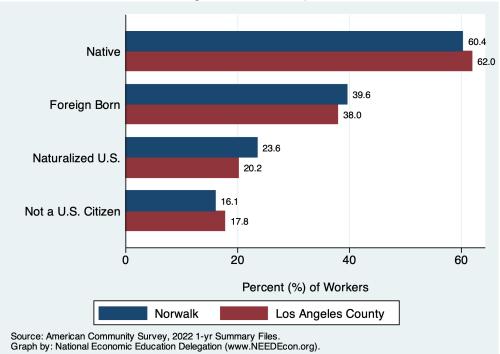


Figure 15: Citizenship

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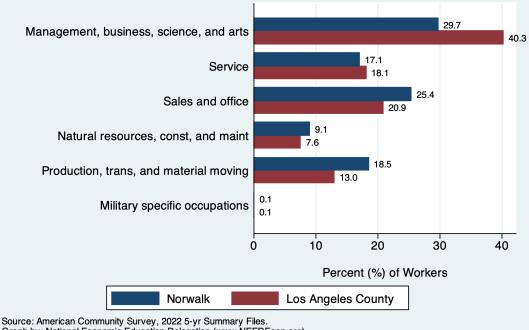
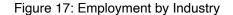
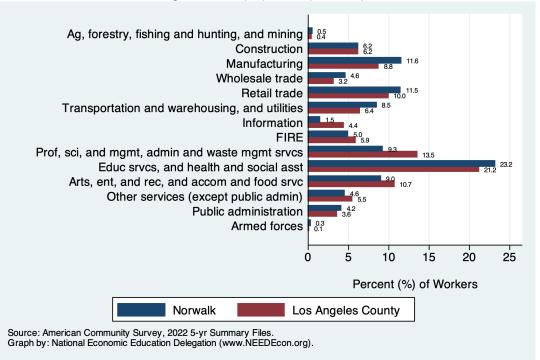
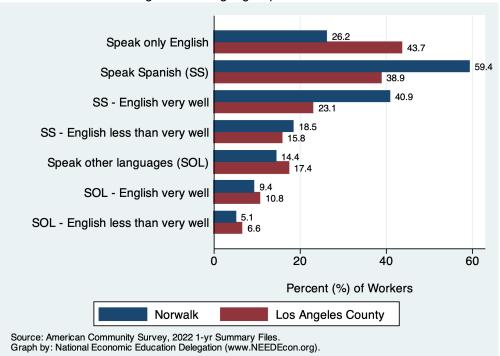


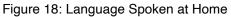
Figure 16: Employment by Occupation

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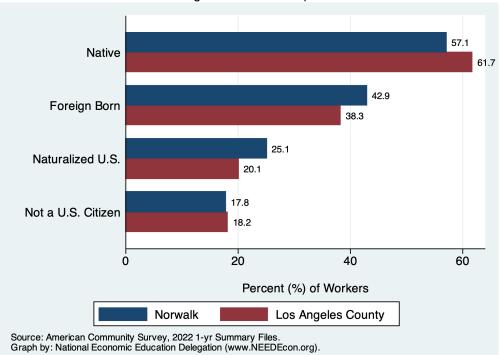


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### **Employed Residents vs Workers in Norwalk**

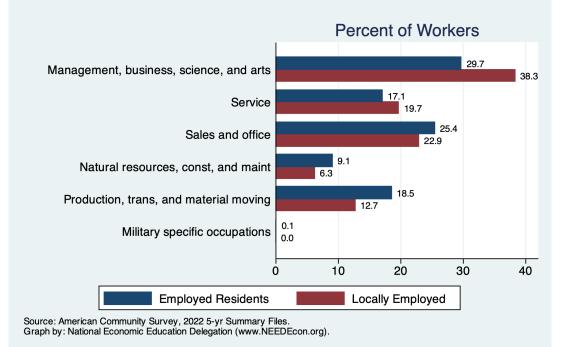
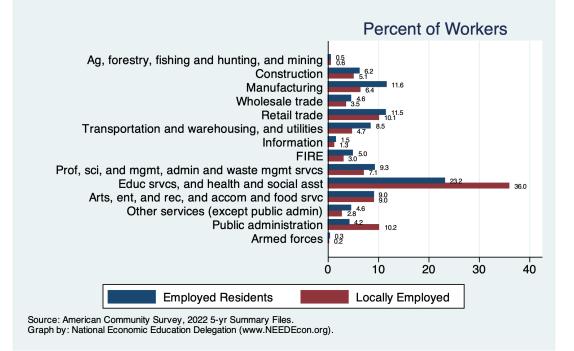
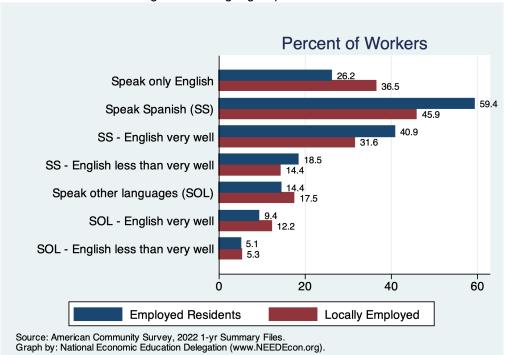


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Figure 21: Employment by Industry





## Figure 22: Language Spoken at Home

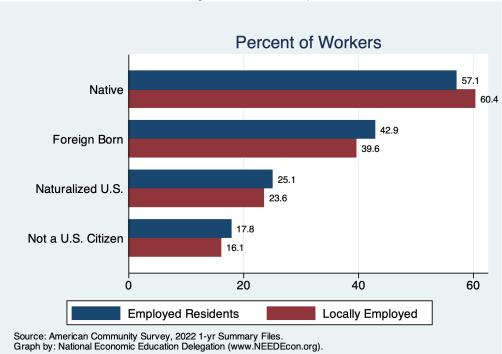


Figure 23: Citizenship

## **Income and Earnings**

## Per Capita Income Growth

### **Definition:**

Per capita income is the average income per person in Norwalk. Personal income is the income received by, or on behalf of, all persons from all sources: from participation as laborers in production, from owning a home or unincorporated business, from the ownership of financial assets, and from government and business in the form of transfer receipts. Noncash government benefits are not included.

#### Why is it important?

Income is the money that is available to persons for consumption expenditures, taxes, interest payments, transfer payments to governments and the rest of the world, or for saving. As such, it is an important indicator of economic well-being in a community.

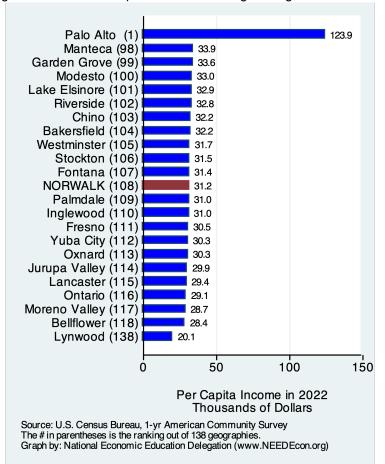


Figure 24: Real Per Capita Income Ranking Among California Cities

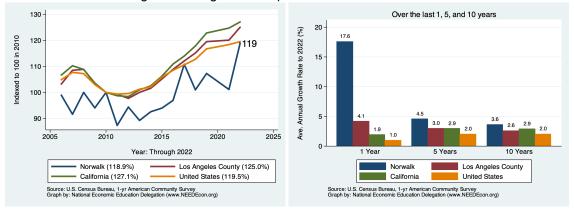
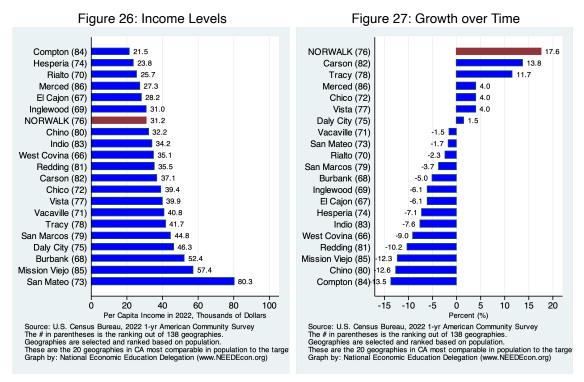
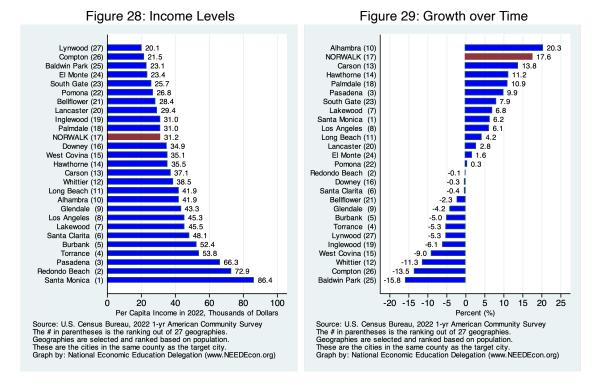


Figure 25: Regional Comparison of Growth over Time

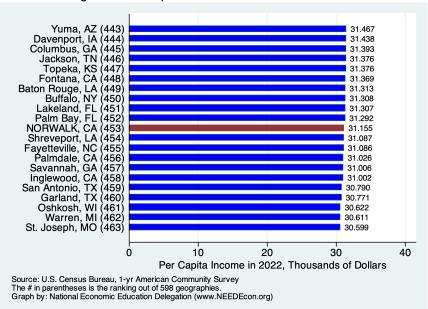
## Real Per Capita Income Ranking Among California Cities - w/Comparable Populations





#### Real Per Capita Income Ranking Among Cities in Los Angeles County

#### Figure 30: Comparison with All Cities Nationwide



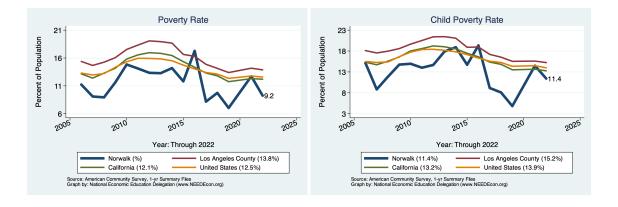
## Poverty and Inequality

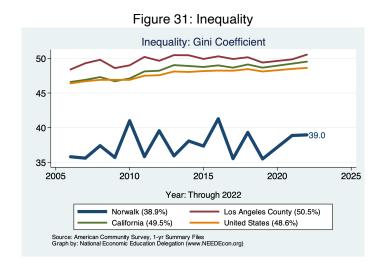
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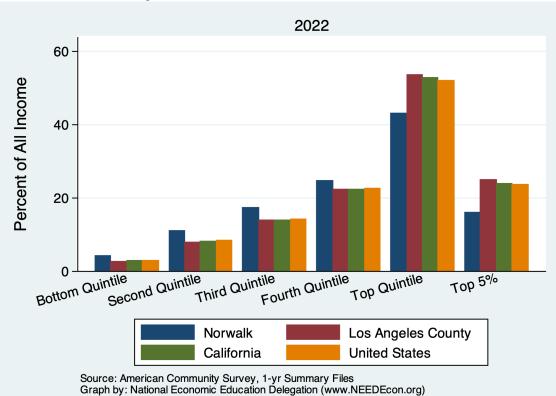
The local poverty rate provides an indication of the well-being of those at the bottom of the income distribution. The federal poverty rate measures the proportion of households in the region that are classified as living in poverty. Also included are measures of the extent to which the City's children are impoverished. Measures of the income distribution provide further evidence on disparities in income in the region and how those disparities have changed over time.

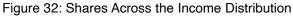
#### Why is it important?

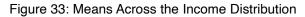
It is important to track measures of poverty and inequality to assess the extent of income disparities in the region, with an eye toward understanding how well the local economy is performing for all of its citizens.

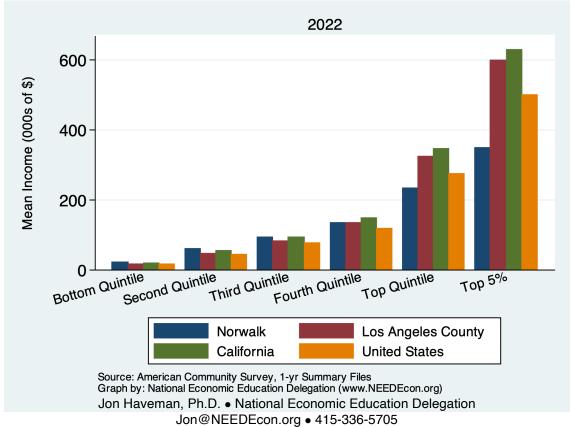












## Housing

## Housing Costs and Affordability

#### **Definition:**

Housing costs are measured in several different ways. First, we provide evidence on the evolution of median home prices, median rental price, and finally through evidence on the housing burden in the city and comparison regions. Housing burden is defined as a household needing to commit more than 30% of their household income toward housing costs. The median value is the amount in the middle. Fifty percent of units are above the median and 50 percent are below.

#### Why is it important?

Housing is one of three fundamental necessities, along with food and clothing. A measure of the cost of housing is an integral part of the measurement of the cost of living in a specific community. This is particularly true in cities and regions throughout the Bay Area, where housing costs are high relative to income.

Cost of Housing in Norwalk and Broader Regions

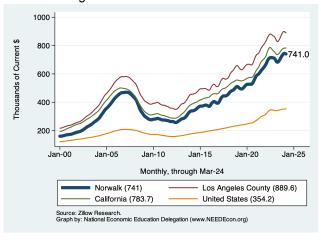
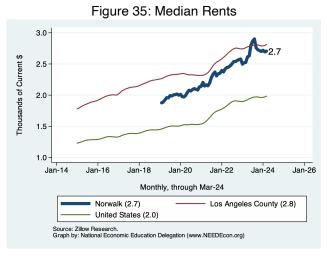
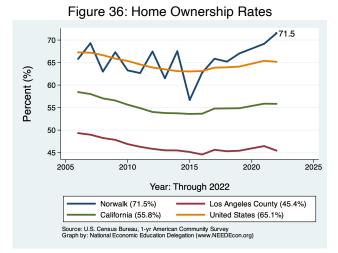
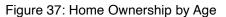


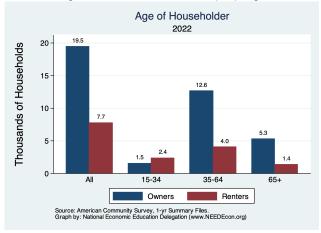
Figure 34: Median Home Prices

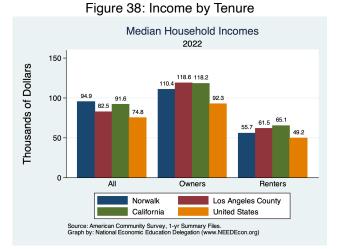


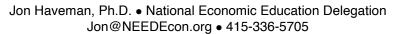


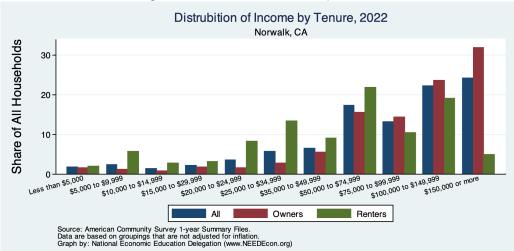




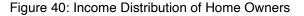


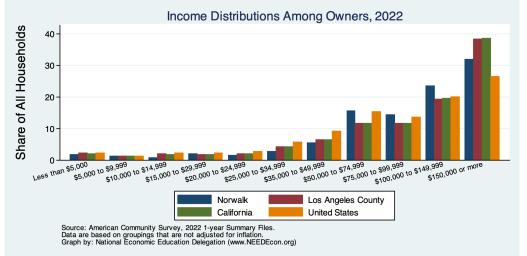




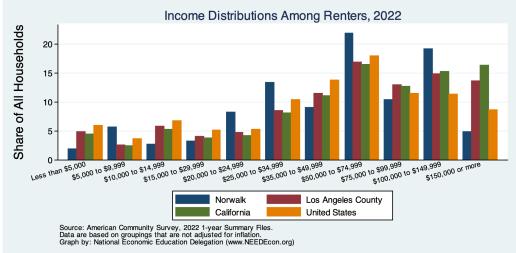


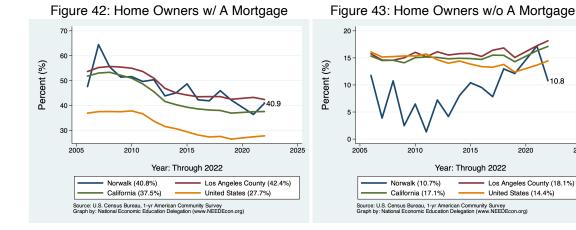
### Figure 39: Income Distribution by Tenure







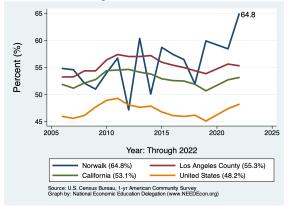




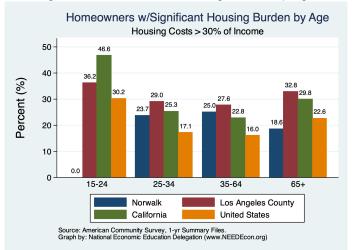
### Housing Burden in Norwalk and Broader Regions

Figure 44: Renters

2025







## **Housing Picture**

#### **Definition:**

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-20 -25

-30 -35 -40

2010

Percent Change Since 2010

Housing costs are measured in several different ways. First, we provide evidence on the evolution of median home prices, median rental price, and finally through evidence on the housing burden in the city and comparison regions. The median value is the amount in the middle. Fifty percent of units are above the median and 50 percent are below.

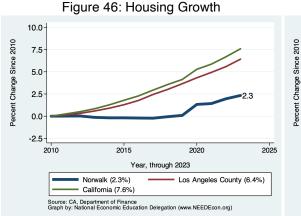
Table 5. Housing Market Indicators

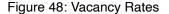
#### Why is it important?

In areas where the rate of population growth exceeds the rate of housing growth, this is likely to reflect a tightening housing market. A tightening housing market will also likely be reflected in lower vacancy rates and higher occupancy rates. It may also be reflected in higher numbers of people per household.

				% Chan	ange from		
Indicator	2023	2019	2010	2019	2010		
Total Population	101,153.0	105,881.0	105,549.0	-4.5	-4.2		
Total # of Homes	28,738.0	28,108.0	28,083.0	2.2	2.3		
# Occupied Units	28,043.0	27,040.0	27,130.0	3.7	3.4		
Persons per Household	3.5	3.9	3.8	-8.2	-7.5		
Vacancy Rate (%)	2.4	3.8	3.4	-36.4	-28.7		

Source: CA DOF; Calculations by the National Economic Education Delegation





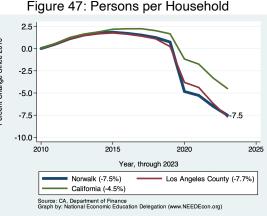
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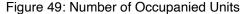
Norwalk (-28.7%)

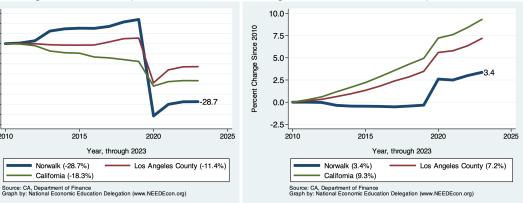
California (-18.3%)

2020

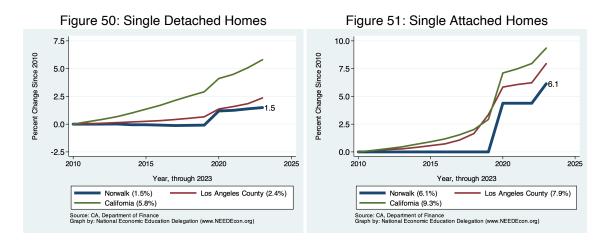
Year, through 2023

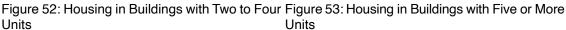


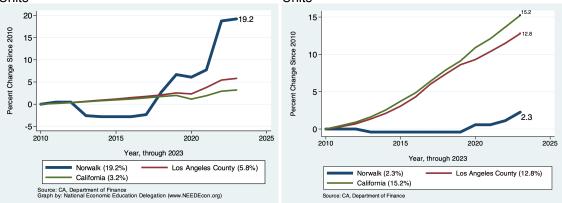








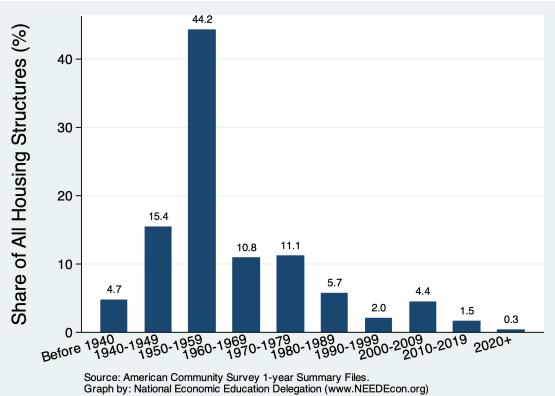


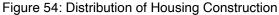


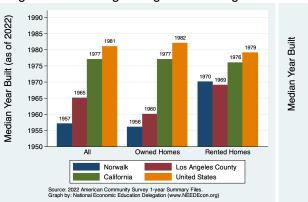
## Vintage of Residential Housing

## Why is it important?

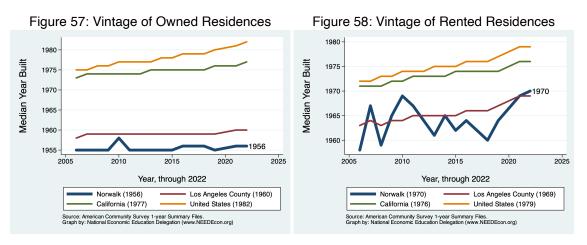
This section provides evidence on the year in which residential housing in Norwalk was built. We break it down into owned versus rented residences and provide a comparison across Los Angeles County and broader regions. A sense of the age of housing in a region provides an indication of the urgency with which a region might pursue additional housing. As the housing stock ages, an urgency with which renovations and rebuilds are permitted might result. All things equal, more recently constructed housing will be more likely to meet current codes and standards. Remodeling of existing units will be more desirable when existing units are, on average, older.



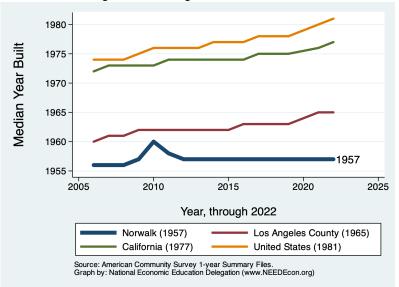








#### Figure 59: Vintage of All Residences



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### Figure 55: Housing Vintage across Regions

## **Occupation of Residential Housing**

## Why is it important?

The duration of residence in a city is important for developing future policies regarding growing the local population. If a region is highly mobile, evidenced by most residences having been recently occupied, a city might propose policies to reduce that mobility, or ask why the mobility happens. Policies could be put in place to either reduce or increase migration.

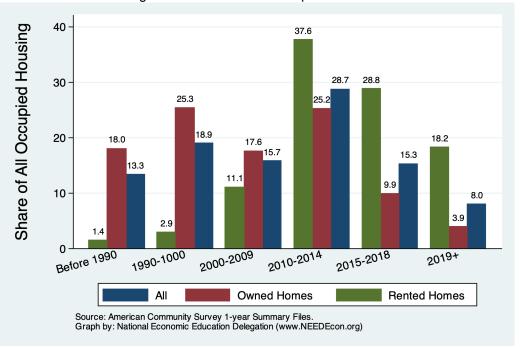


Figure 60: Year Current Occupant Moved In

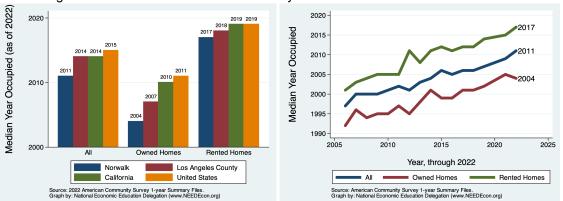


Figure 61: Year Occupied by Current Residents Figure 62: Year Occupied by Current Residents across Regions by Tenure

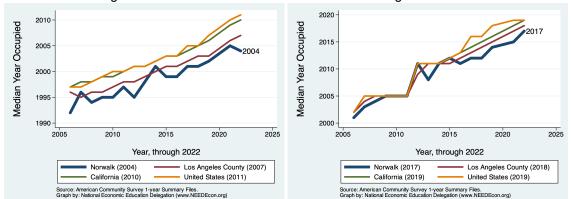
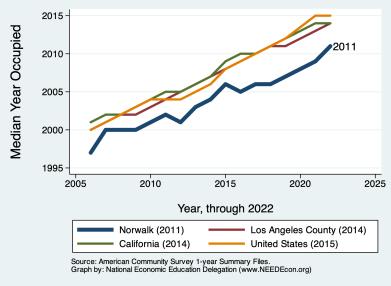


Figure 63: Year Occupied by Current Residents Figure 64: Year Occupied by Current Residents for Owned Housing for Rented Housing





## **Definition:**

This indicator provides evidence on the number of residential buildings that are permitted for construction each year. Permit data for Norwalk is compared with data from Los Angeles County as a whole and broader regions. The statistic provided scales the number of permits by population. This is done to facilitate comparisons across regions.

## Why is it important?

Building permits are the best indicator available of new units coming on the market. In order for a region's population to grow and flourish, new residential properties must be added to the existing stock. Building, both in the City and in the County more generally, is an indication of the extent to which new residences accommodate new residents or are affecting prices through increased supply.

## Norwalk - Ranking Among Comparables



Figure 66: Number of Units Permitted - Nationwide Comparables (Rank)

The # in parentheses is the ranking out of 14338 geographies.

Graph by: National Economic Education Delegation (www.NEEDEcon.org)

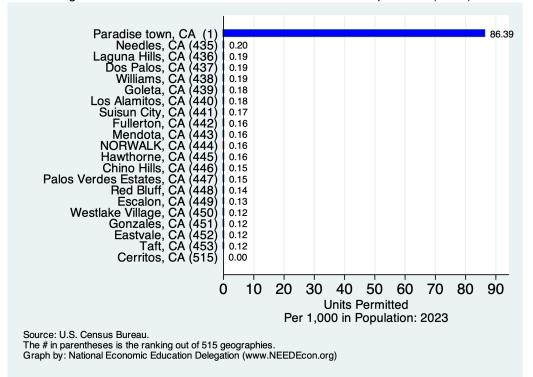
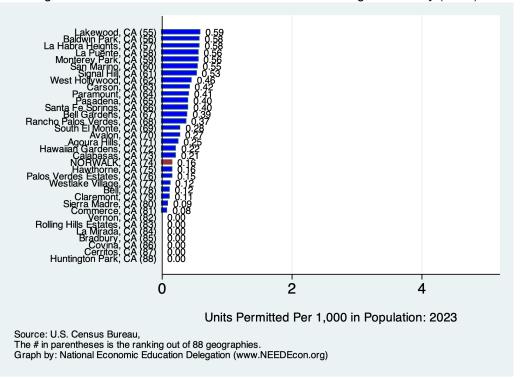


Figure 67: Number of Units Permitted - California Comparables (Rank)

Figure 68: Number of Units Permitted - Cities in Los Angeles County (Rank)



#### Norwalk - Permitting Activity

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2005

Source: U.S. Census Bureau. Graph by: National Economic Edu

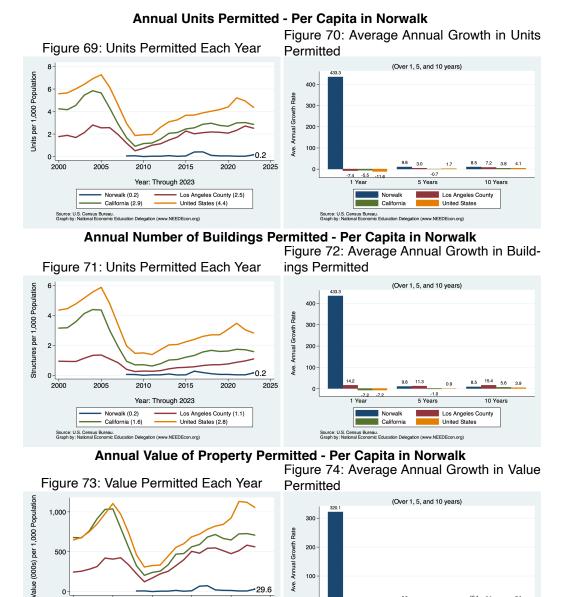
Norwalk (29.6)

California (708.2)

2010

2015

Year: Through 2023



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Source: U.S. Census Bureau. Graph by: National Economic Edu

Norwalk

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10 Year

Los Angeles County

United States

29.6

2025

2020

Los Angeles County (561.7)

- United States (1056.9)

## **Commute Patterns**

During the recovery from the Great Recession, the period from 2010 to 2019, the Bay Area economy, and Silicon Valley in particular, has been growing at a pace roughly double that of the state as a whole and triple that of the nation. This growth has precipitated a tight housing market and also brought about some significant changes in commute patterns, many of which have been reversed by the pandemic. Recent years have seen significant changes in both the mode of transportation and commute times.

## Mode of Transportation

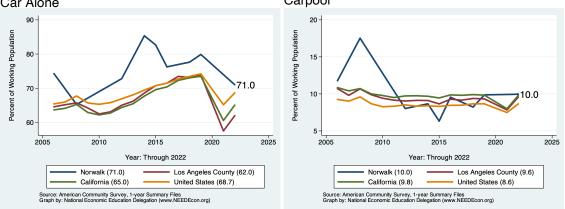
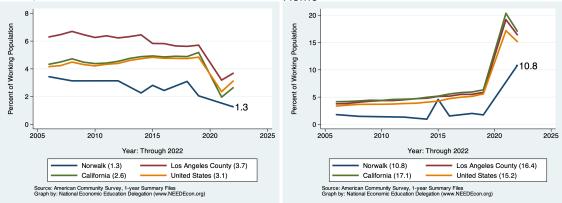


Figure 75: Percent of Workers Commuting by Figure 76: Percent of Workers Commuting by Car Alone Carpool

Figure 77: Percent of Workers using Public Figure 78: Percent of Workers Who Work From Transportation Home



The first table on this page presents data for those who LIVE in Norwalk. The second provides data on those who work, but do not necessarily live in Norwalk. The final two columns provide for a comparison of commute mode choices of people locally with those in California more broadly.

	Ma	le	Fem	ale	All Wo	rkers	All of CA
Mode of Transit	#	(%)	#	(%)	#	(%)	(%)
Car, Truck, or Van:	22,281	79.5	17,892	79.1	40,173	81.0	75.3
Drove Alone	19,560	69.8	15,676	69.3	35,236	71.0	65.5
Carpooled:	2,721	9.7	2,216	9.8	4,937	10.0	9.8
In 2-person carpool	1,614	5.8	1,577	7.0	3,191	6.4	7.0
In 3-person carpool	403	1.4	202	0.9	605	1.2	1.7
In 4-or-more-person carpool	704	2.5	437	1.9	1,141	2.3	1.2
Public Transportation (excl Taxi):	255	0.9	374	1.7	629	1.3	2.7
Bus or Trolley Bus	185	0.7	306	1.4	491	1.0	1.8
Streetcar or Trolley Car	0	0.0	68	0.3	68	0.1	0.5
Subway or Elevated	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0.2
Railroad	70	0.2	0	0.0	70	0.1	0.1
Ferryboat	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0.1
Bicycle	43	0.2	0	0.0	43	0.1	0.7
Walked	175	0.6	163	0.7	338	0.7	2.4
Taxicab, Motorcycle, or other	346	1.2	111	0.5	457	0.9	1.7
Worked at Home	2,554	9.1	2,801	12.4	5,355	10.8	17.2
Total:	25,654	91.5	21,341	94.3	46,995	94.7	

Table 6. SEX OF	WORKERS BY	( MODE OF	TRANSPORTATION	TO WORK

Source: 2022 1-year American Community Survey, Summary File

#### Table 7. SEX OF WORKERS BY MODE OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK FOR WORKPLACE GEOGRAPHY

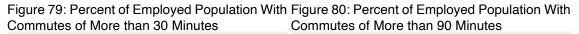
	Ma	le	Fen	nale	All We	orkers	All of CA
Mode of Transit	#	(%)	#	(%)	#	(%)	(%)
Car, Truck, or Van:	12,376	83.7	11,289	81.4	23,665	83.4	78.0
Drove Alone	10,844	73.3	9,720	70.1	20,564	72.5	68.5
Carpooled:	1,532	10.4	1,569	11.3	3,101	10.9	9.5
In 2-person carpool	1,010	6.8	1,187	8.6	2,197	7.7	6.9
In 3-person carpool	261	1.8	231	1.7	492	1.7	1.5
In 4-or-more-person carpool	261	1.8	151	1.1	412	1.5	1.1
Public Transportation (excl Taxi):	346	2.3	166	1.2	512	1.8	3.6
Bus or Trolley Bus	235	1.6	151	1.1	386	1.4	2.3
Streetcar or Trolley Car	59	0.4	0	0.0	59	0.2	0.8
Subway or Elevated	52	0.4	0	0.0	52	0.2	0.3
Railroad	0	0.0	15	0.1	15	0.1	0.2
Ferryboat	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	0.1
Bicycle	87	0.6	97	0.7	184	0.6	0.7
Walked	373	2.5	307	2.2	680	2.4	2.4
Taxicab, Motorcycle, or other	294	2.0	303	2.2	597	2.1	1.7
Worked at Home	1,028	7.0	1,713	12.3	2,741	9.7	13.6
Total:	14,504	98.1	13,875	100.0	28,379	100.0	

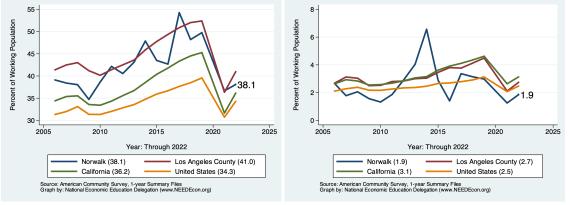
Source: 2022 5-year American Community Survey, Summary File The results in this table are for those who work in the region, regardless of the location of their residence.

# **Commute Times for Employed Residents**

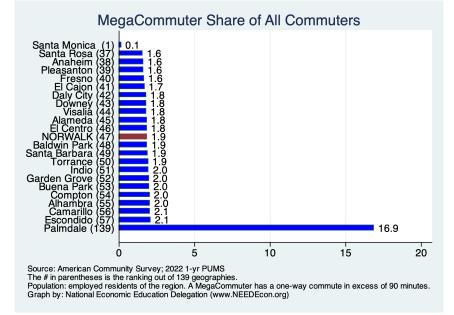
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	Ma	le	Fem	ale	All Wo	rkers	All of CA
Mode of Transit	#	(%)	#	(%)	#	(%)	(%)
Less than 5 minutes	279	1.0	0	0.0	279	0.6	2.1
5 to 9 minutes	712	2.5	1,183	5.3	1,895	3.8	7.8
10 to 14 minutes	1,860	6.6	2,260	10.1	4,120	8.3	12.4
15 to 19 minutes	3,890	13.8	3,347	15.0	7,237	14.7	15.4
20 to 24 minutes	2,639	9.4	3,336	14.9	5,975	12.1	14.8
25 to 29 minutes	1,725	6.1	1,611	7.2	3,336	6.8	6.4
30 to 34 minutes	5,060	18.0	2,815	12.6	7,875	16.0	15.2
35 to 39 minutes	973	3.5	571	2.6	1,544	3.1	2.9
40 to 44 minutes	1,226	4.4	541	2.4	1,767	3.6	4.1
45 to 59 minutes	2,470	8.8	1,062	4.8	3,532	7.2	8.2
60 to 89 minutes	1,877	6.7	1,287	5.8	3,164	6.4	7.2
90 or more minutes	389	1.4	527	2.4	916	1.9	3.6
Total:	23,100	82.1	18,540	83.0	41,640	84.4	

Source: 2022 1-year American Community Survey, Summary File









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## Commute Times for Those Employed in the City

Table 9. SEX OF WO WORKPLAC			EL TIME TO	O WORK	FOR		
	Mal	е	Fem	ale	All Wo	rkers	All of CA
Mode of Transit	#	(%)	#	(%)	#	(%)	(%)
Less than 5 minutes	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	2.1
5 to 9 minutes	538	3.5	713	5.0	1,251	4.4	7.8
10 to 14 minutes	1,167	7.5	1,528	10.7	2,695	9.5	12.4
15 to 19 minutes	1,606	10.4	2,069	14.4	3,675	13.0	15.3
20 to 24 minutes	1,784	11.5	1,744	12.2	3,528	12.4	14.8
25 to 29 minutes	786	5.1	1,363	9.5	2,149	7.6	6.4
30 to 34 minutes	2,140	13.8	1,232	8.6	3,372	11.9	15.2
35 to 39 minutes	86	0.6	598	4.2	684	2.4	2.9
40 to 44 minutes	628	4.1	119	0.8	747	2.6	4.1
45 to 59 minutes	1,346	8.7	699	4.9	2,045	7.2	8.2
60 to 89 minutes	1,452	9.4	842	5.9	2,294	8.1	7.2
90 or more minutes	555	3.6	149	1.0	704	2.5	3.6
Total:	12,088	78.1	11,056	77.2	23,144	81.6	

Source: 2022 1-year American Community Survey, Summary File

The results in this table are for those who work in the region, regardless of the location of their residence.

Figure 82: Percent of Local Employees With Figure 83: Percent of Local Employees With Commutes of More than 30 Minutes Commutes of More than 90 Minutes

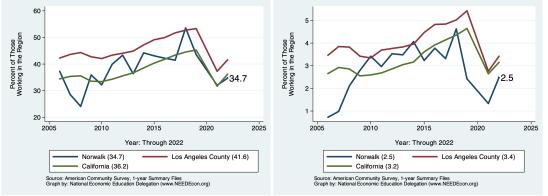
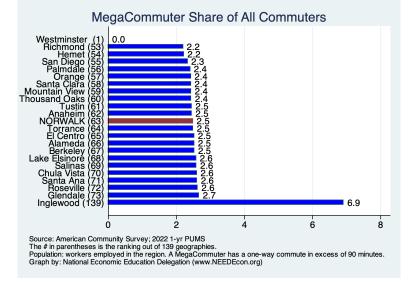


Figure 84: Rank: Share of MegaCommuters Across Similar Geographies



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# Place of Work

This section provides evidence on where workers living in Norwalk work. As evidenced in the first table, some of Norwalk's employed workers work in the City, but many do not. The first table and graph pair provide evidence at the county level while the second provide evidence with regard to working outside of the Norwalk city boundary.

	Ма	le	Fem	ale	All Wo	All of CA	
Place of Work	#	(%)	#	(%)	#	(%)	(%)
Worked in state of residence:	25,381	88.8	21,341	94.3	46,722	92.1	99.6
Worked in county of residence	20,884	73.1	17,460	77.2	38,344	75.6	85.3
worked outside of county of residence	4,497	15.7	3,881	17.2	8,378	16.5	14.3
Worked outside state of residence	273	1.0	0	0.0	273	0.5	0.4
Total:	25,654	89.8	21,341	94.3	46,995	92.7	

Table 10. SEX OF WORKERS BY PLACE OF WORK-STATE AND COUNTY LEVEL

Source: 2022 1-year American Community Survey, Summary File

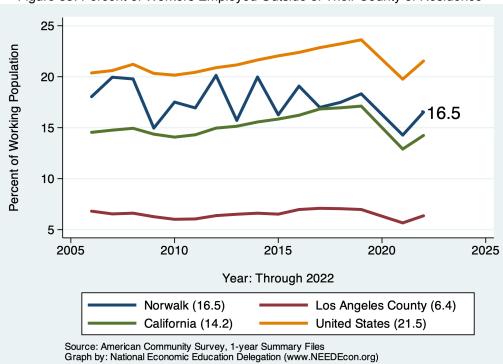
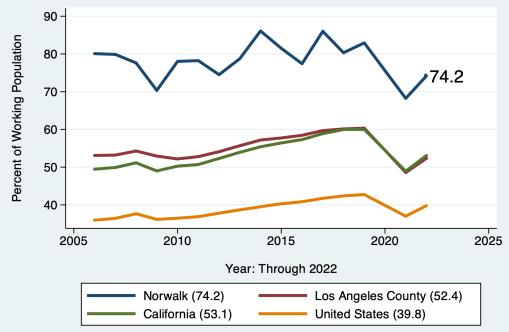


Figure 85: Percent of Workers Employed Outside of Their County of Residence

	Male		Fem	ale	All Wo	rkers	All of CA	
Place of Work	#	(%)	#	(%)	#	(%)	(%)	
Living in a place:	25,654	89.8	21,341	94.3	46,995	92.7	95.8	
Worked in place of residence	4,487	15.7	4,887	21.6	9,374	18.5	42.3	
Worked outside place of residence	21,167	74.1	16,454	72.7	37,621	74.2	53.4	
Not living in a place	0	0.0	0	0.0	0	0.0	4.2	
Total:	25,654	89.8	21,341	94.3	46,995	92.7		

Table 11. SEX OF WORKERS BY PLACE OF WORK-PLACE LEVEL

Source: 2022 1-year American Community Survey, Summary File



## Figure 86: Percent of Workers Employed Outside of Their Place of Residence

Source: American Community Survey, 1-year Summary Files Graph by: National Economic Education Delegation (www.NEEDEcon.org)

## Commute Mode by Income

#### Table 12. MEDIAN EARNINGS IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS BY MEANS OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK

	City	California		United Sta	tes
	Median	Median	Ratio	Median	Ratio
Car, truck, or van - drove alone	42,060	48,335	103.4	45,677	101.8
Car, truck, or van - carpooled	39,474	35,926	130.5	34,518	126.4
Public transportation (excluding taxicab)	12,232	34,625	42.0	41,443	32.6
Walked	45,568	30,552	177.2	27,247	184.9
Taxicab, motorcycle, bicycle, or other means	51,218	40,631	149.8	36,218	156.4
Worked from home	45,279	79,738	67.5	69,180	72.4
Total:	41,932	49,818	84.2	46,365	90.4

Source: 2022 1-year American Community Survey, Summary File

Notes: 1) Ratio = the ratio of the regional median to either the CA or US median, relative to the Total ratio.

Values above 100 imply a high local median. Values below 100 imply a low local median.

For example, a value of 200 means that the local mean is 2x higher than would be expected.

For "Total:", ratio is simply the ratio of the medians.

2) For regions with more than one geography, the medians are averages weighted by working population.

#### Table 13. MODE OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK BY WORKERS' EARNINGS

	< \$25	,000	\$25,000-	\$74,999	\$75,0	000+	Al		All of CA
Mode of Transit	#	(%)	#	(%)	#	(%)	#	(%)	(%)
Car, Truck, or Van: Drove Alone	8,188	43.2	14,983	79.5	7,554	81.8	36,710	76.5	68.4
Car, Truck, or Van: Carpooled	1,307	6.9	1,884	10.0	702	7.6	4,497	9.4	9.5
Public Transportation (excl Taxi)	366	1.9	340	1.8	138	1.5	997	2.1	3.6
Walked	327	1.7	127	0.7	32	0.3	533	1.1	2.4
Taxicab, Motorcycle, or other	477	2.5	406	2.2	222	2.4	1,239	2.6	2.4
Worked at Home	702	3.7	1,100	5.8	590	6.4	2,741	5.7	13.6
Total:	11,367	59.9	18,840		9,238		46,717	97.3	100.0

Source: 2022 5-year American Community Survey, Summary File

#### Table 14. MODE OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK BY WORKERS' EARNINGS FOR WORKPLACE GEOGRAPHY

	< \$25,000		\$25,000	\$25,000-\$74,999		)00+	Al	l	All of CA	
Mode of Transit	#	(%)	#	(%)	#	(%)	#	(%)	(%)	
Car, Truck, or Van: Drove Alone	5,241	44.7	6,910	74.9	5,586	79.8	20,557	72.5	68.5	
Car, Truck, or Van: Carpooled	1,061	9.1	840	9.1	630	9.0	3,101	10.9	9.5	
Public Transportation (excl Taxi)	261	2.2	67	0.7	46	0.7	512	1.8	3.6	
Walked	369	3.1	135	1.5	81	1.2	680	2.4	2.4	
Taxicab, Motorcycle, or other	445	3.8	177	1.9	68	1.0	781	2.8	2.4	
Worked at Home	702	6.0	1,100	11.9	590	8.4	2,741	9.7	13.6	
Total:	8,079	68.9	9,229		7,001		28,372			

Source: 2022 5-year American Community Survey, Summary File

The results in this table are for those who work in the region, regardless of the location of their residence.

# Commute Mode by Poverty Status

#### Table 15. MODE OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK BY POVERTY STATUS

Mode of Transit	In Poverty		100-149	100-149% of Pov		>150% of Pov		All	
	#	(%)	#	(%)	#	(%)	#	(%)	(%)
Car, Truck, or Van: Drove Alone	1,221	35.3	1,872	43.2	33,617	75.5	36,710	74.4	68.7
Car, Truck, or Van: Carpooled	138	4.0	323	7.5	4,036	9.1	4,497	9.1	9.5
Public Transportation (excl Taxi)	90	2.6	93	2.1	814	1.8	997	2.0	3.6
Walked	130	3.8	74	1.7	329	0.7	533	1.1	2.1
Taxicab, Motorcycle, or other	75	2.2	44	1.0	1,120	2.5	1,239	2.5	2.4
Worked at Home	105	3.0	94	2.2	2,542	5.7	2,741	5.6	13.6
Total:	1,759	50.9	2,500	57.7	42,458	95.3	46,717	94.7	

Source: 2022 5-year American Community Survey, Summary File

#### Table 16. MODE OF TRANSPORTATION TO WORK BY POVERTY STATUS FOR WORKPLACE GEOGRAPHY

	In Po	verty	100-149	% of Pov	>150%	of Pov	Al		All of CA
Mode of Transit	#	(%)	#	(%)	#	(%)	#	(%)	(%)
Car, Truck, or Van: Drove Alone	953	41.9	1,136	37.5	18,475	70.7	20,564	70.0	68.7
Car, Truck, or Van: Carpooled	169	7.4	125	4.1	2,807	10.7	3,101	10.6	9.5
Public Transportation (excl Taxi)	24	1.1	86	2.8	402	1.5	512	1.7	3.6
Walked	154	6.8	79	2.6	447	1.7	680	2.3	2.1
Taxicab, Motorcycle, or other	7	0.3	33	1.1	729	2.8	769	2.6	2.4
Worked at Home	105	4.6	94	3.1	2,542	9.7	2,741	9.3	13.6
Total:	1,412	62.0	1,553	51.2	25,402	97.2	28,367	96.5	

Source: 2022 5-year American Community Survey, Summary File

The results in this table are for those who work in the region, regardless of the location of their residence.

# Migration

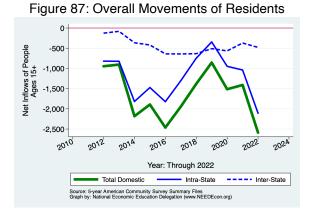
## **Overall Migration Flows**

## **Definition:**

The United States is a country with an increasingly mobile population. People move, migrate, from one place to another with increasing frequency.

## Why is it important?

Having a handle on whether or not Norwalk is a net recipient (migration inflows) or donor (migration outflows) of population is very important for understanding trends in the City's development. This section outlines migration patterns by age, education, income, marital status, and housing tenure. Understanding recent trends is very important for making policy, investment, and other decisions about the future. Also, understanding the extent to which the population is stable, or experiences significant turnover each year is helpful for planning purposes.



#### Table 17: Migration by Income

		N	_				
			Same State				
0	De lation		W/in	Between	Across	From	
Category	Population	All Migration	County	Counties	States	Abroad	
No income	16,072	-334	-55	-389	-16	126	
With income	66, 566	-2,041	-487	-1,178	-463	87	
\$1 to \$9,999 or loss	8,823	-259	35	-246	-58	10	
\$10,000 to \$14,999	6,521	-250	-160	-86	-4	0	
\$15,000 to \$24,999	8,819	-354	-91	-131	-162	30	
\$25,000 to \$34,999	9,950	-335	-56	-207	-108	36	
\$35,000 to \$49,999	10,994	-253	-81	-152	-22	2	
\$50,000 to \$64,999	6,962	-122	-28	-100	6	0	
\$65,000 to \$74,999	3,784	-72	21	-70	-23	0	
\$75,000 or more	10,713	-396	-127	-186	-92	9	
All:	82,638	-2,375	-542	-1,567	-479	213	

Source: 2022 5-year American Community Survey, Summary File

Note: The data in this and other tables in this section are limited in that there is no information on the City's population that has moved abroad.

The "From Abroad" column is gross movements into the City from abroad.

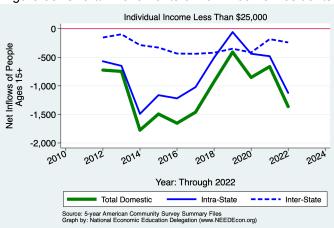
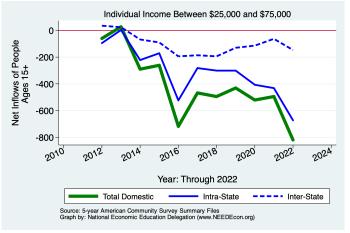
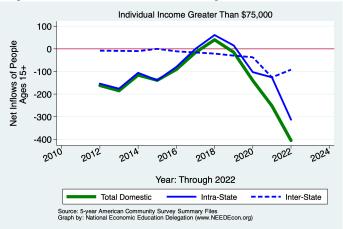


Figure 88: Overall Movements of Low Income Residents









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# **Demographics of Migration Flows**

## Table 18: Migration by Marital Status

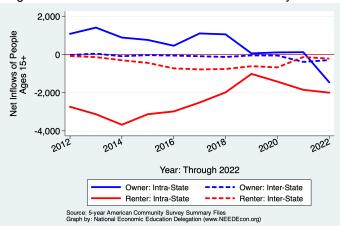
	Net Inflows					
			Same State			-
Category	Population	All Migration	W/in County	Between Counties	Across States	From Abroad
Never married	33,915	-955	-169	-783	-59	56
Now married, except separated	36,361	-1,085	-295	-635	-254	99
Divorced	6,644	-184	-11	-64	-131	22
Separated	1,496	-58	-55	-9	6	0
Widowed	4,222	-93	-12	-76	-41	36
Total:	82,638	-2,375	-542	-1,567	-479	213

Source: 2022 5-year American Community Survey, Summary File

## Table 19: Migration by Tenure

		Net Inflows					
		Same State					
Category	Population	All Migration	W/in County	Between Counties	Across States	From Abroad	
Householder lived in owner-occupied housing units Householder lived in renter-occupied housing units	72,234 24,195	$-3,500 \\ -3,048$	$-1,582 \\ -1,095$	$-2,027 \\ -1,034$	$1 \\ -1,057$	$\begin{array}{c} 108 \\ 138 \end{array}$	
Total:	96,429	-6,548	-2,677	-3,061	-1,056	246	

Source: 2022 1-year American Community Survey, Summary File



## Figure 91: Domestic Movements of Residents by Tenure

## Table 20: Migration by Age

		Net Inflows				
		Same State				
			W/in	Between	Across	From
Category	Population	All Migration	County	Counties	States	Abroad
1 to 4 years	6,213	-434	-13	-339	-82	0
5 to 17 years	16,028	-749	-144	-619	-18	32
18 and 19 years	2,698	-188	-21	-87	-83	3
20 to 24 years	6,877	-275	41	-285	-53	22
25 to 29 years	8,533	-281	50	-368	-27	64
30 to 34 years	8,614	-471	-234	-249	-24	36
35 to 39 years	7,356	-501	-158	-231	-120	8
40 to 44 years	5,998	12	52	-40	0	0
45 to 49 years	6,132	-144	-150	-17	23	0
50 to 54 years	6,439	50	33	-10	27	0
55 to 59 years	5,884	-110	-85	-15	-10	0
60 to 64 years	6,361	-74	31	-63	-44	2
65 to 69 years	5,402	-33	72	-28	-101	24
70 to 74 years	2,886	-81	-28	-11	-55	13
75 years and over	5,419	-195	-155	-63	-12	35
Total Population:	100,840	-3,474	-709	-2,425	-579	239

Source: 2022 5-year American Community Survey, Summary File

## Table 21: Migration by Educational Attainment

	Net Inflows					
			Same State			-
Category	Population	All Migration	W/in County	Between Counties	Across States	From Abroad
Less than high school graduate	16,037	-457	-286	-282	25	86
High school graduate (includes equiv)	19,731	-428	-52	-281	-95	0
Some college or assoc. degree	19,476	-767	-243	-452	-74	2
Bachelor's degree	10,484	14	142	-56	-158	86
Graduate or professional degree	3,296	-190	-133	-24	-41	8
Total:	69,024	-1,828	-572	-1,095	-343	182

Source: 2022 5-year American Community Survey, Summary File

#### Table 22: Median Income of Migration Flows

Flow	In-Migration	Out-Migration				
Same House 1 Year Ago	35,406	35,406				
Moved Within Same County	33,757	19,527				
Moved to Different County, Same State	72,115	32,189				
Moved Between States	51,250	27,015				
Total Population:	35,432	34,629				
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Source: 2022 1-year American Community Survey, Summary File

#### Table 23: Median Age of Migration Flows

Flow	In-Migration	Out-Migration
Same House 1 Year Ago	37.7	37.7
Moved Within Same County	27.2	30.1
Moved to Different County, Same State	32.3	24.4
Moved Between States	45.6	24.5
Moved from Abroad	37.1	
Total Population:	37.0	36.2

Source: 2022 1-year American Community Survey, Summary File

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