

Buffalo Common Council Districts: Delaware District

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RESIDENTS OF DELAWARE DISTRICT	
Total Population ¹	29,577
Under age 18	13.9%
Age 18-64	71.6%
Age 65+	14.5%
Unemployed ²	3.5%
Born outside the U.S. ³	6.5%
Speak a language other than English at home ⁴	9.5%
Population with a disability ⁵	11.8%

Demographics

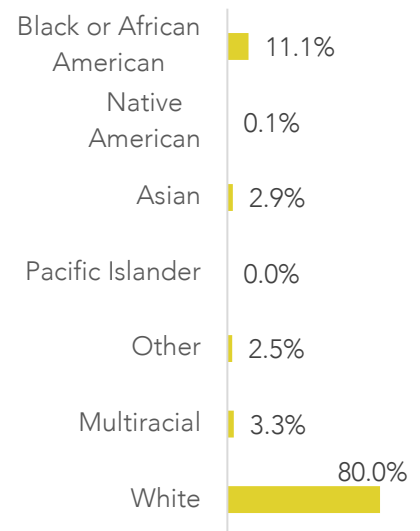
The Delaware district has almost 30,000 residents. The district has the lowest youth population of all the districts at 13.9%. Most Delaware district constituents identify as white (80%).⁶ Roughly one in every

ten constituents identifies as black, and almost 7% identify as Hispanic.⁷

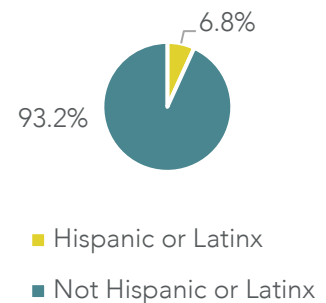
This district has the lowest unemployment of all districts at 3.5%. Just over one of every ten residents is disabled, the lowest rate among the districts.

COMMUNITY LANDMARKS
Delaware Park
The Albright-Knox Art Gallery
The Frank Lloyd Wright Martin House
The Buffalo Zoo
Elmwood Strip

DELAWARE DISTRICT
POPULATION BY RACE,
2014-2018



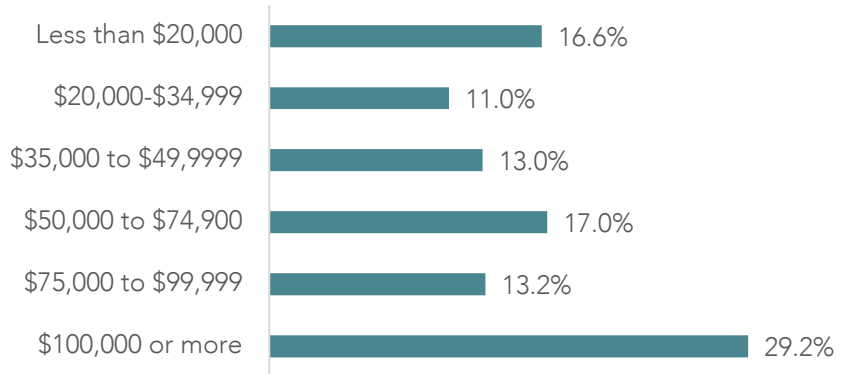
DELAWARE DISTRICT
POPULATION BY HISPANIC
OR LATINX ETHNICITY,
2014-2018



Income⁸

The Delaware district is the wealthiest district in the City. Of all districts, it has the largest proportion of households making \$100,000 or more and the lowest proportion of households making less than \$20,000. Almost three quarters of households have an income above the city’s median income (about \$35,000).

ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME IN DELAWARE DISTRICT, 2014-2018



POVERTY AND UNAFFORDABILITY	
Population living below poverty ⁹	13.1%
Total households with unaffordable housing ¹⁰	3,892
Owner-occupied households with unaffordable housing ¹¹	19.1%
Renter-occupied households with unaffordable housing ¹²	36.8%

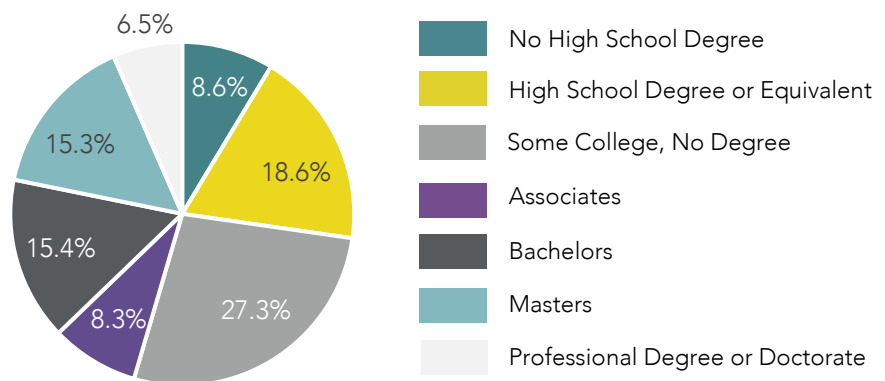
Poverty and Unaffordable Housing

Given what we know about district income, it is unsurprising that this district has the lowest poverty rate of all districts. However, over a third of renter households can’t afford their housing costs (meaning that housing costs exceed 30% of the household’s income). The same is true for about one in every five owner households. Almost 4,000 households (renters *and* owners) cannot afford their housing costs—over a quarter (27.8%) of all Delaware district households.

Education¹³

The vast majority of residents are high school graduates (93.5%). Over three quarters of residents have pursued higher education (78.2%). Over one quarter of the population has an advanced degree (27.3%).

EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT FOR DELAWARE DISTRICT RESIDENTS AGE 25 YEARS OR OLDER, 2014-2018



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