

Buffalo Common Council Districts: Niagara District

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RESIDENTS OF NIAGARA DISTRICT	
Total Population ¹	29,958
Under age 18	24.9%
Age 18-64	65.3%
Age 65+	9.8%
Unemployed ²	4.6%
Born outside the U.S. ³	22.8%
Speak a language other than English at home ⁴	41.8%
Population with a disability ⁵	18.4%

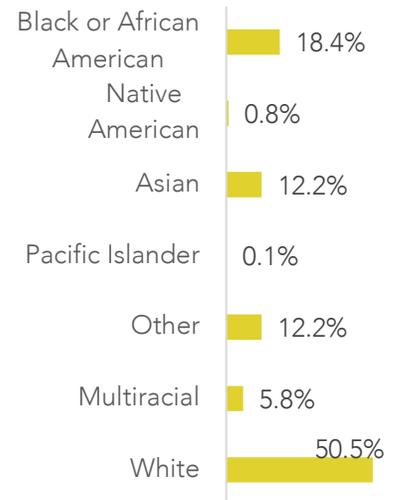
Demographics

The Niagara district population sits right around 30,000 residents. Residents represent a wide range of racial identities. Half identify as white, while about one in five identify as Black or African American, 12.2% identify as Asian, and 12.2% identify as a race other than those listed.⁶ Niagara has

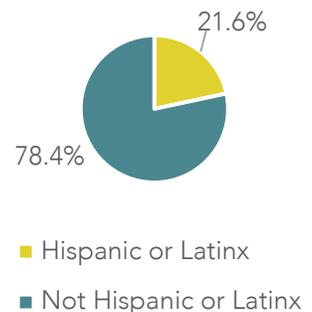
the largest Hispanic/Latinx population (21.6%) of all the districts.⁷ Niagara District is also known for its large population of immigrants and refugees. Over a quarter of residents were born outside the U.S., and over 40% speak a language other than English at home. Niagara has the second lowest unemployment rate of the districts at 4.1%.

COMMUNITY LANDMARKS
West Side Bazaar
Grant Street Neighborhood Center
Kleinhans Music Hall
Broderick Park
Peace Bridge

NIAGARA DISTRICT POPULATION BY RACE, 2014-2018



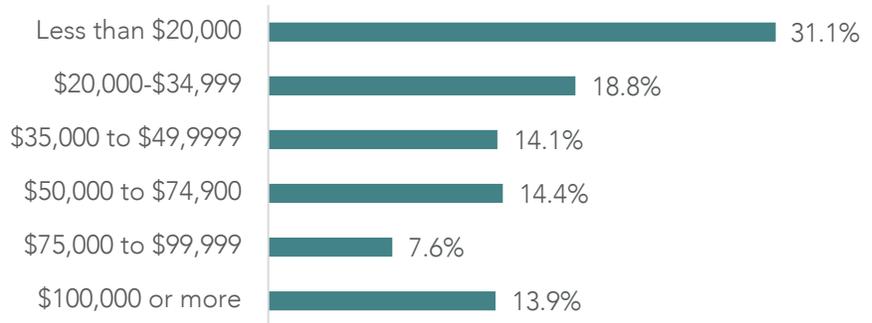
NIAGARA DISTRICT POPULATION BY HISPANIC OR LATINX ETHNICITY, 2014-2018



Income⁸

The Niagara district is somewhat socio-economically diverse as well. Exactly half of Niagara District households have an annual income under the City median income of roughly \$35,000. Almost one in every three Niagara district households has an income less than \$20,000. On the other hand, a significant portion of households see a much higher household income; about one in every five households (21.6%) has an annual income of \$75,000 or more.

ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME IN NIAGARA DISTRICT, 2014-2018



POVERTY AND UNAFFORDABILITY	
Population living below poverty ⁹	35.4%
Total households with unaffordable housing ¹⁰	5,364
Owner-occupied households with unaffordable housing ¹¹	19.0%
Renter-occupied households with unaffordable housing ¹²	52.7%

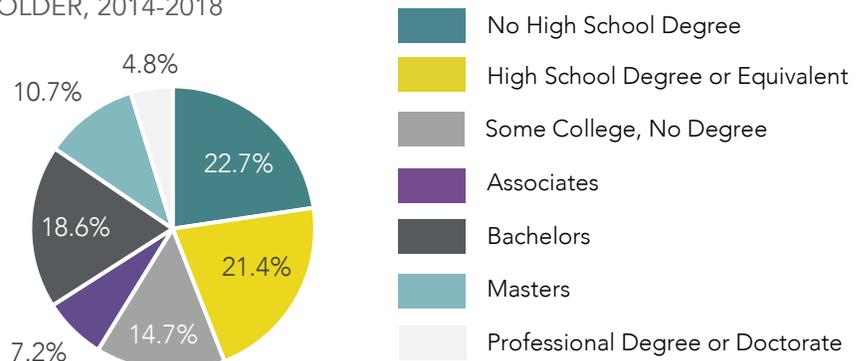
Poverty and Unaffordable Housing

More than a third (35.4%) of Niagara district residents live under the poverty line, and most renter households (52.7%) cannot afford their housing, meaning that housing costs exceed 30% of the household’s income. The same is true for about one in every five owner households (19.0%). Over 5,000 households (renters *and* owners) cannot afford their housing costs—over a quarter (42.4%) of all Niagara district households.

Education¹³

Over three-quarters (77.4%) of residents are high school graduates (or equivalent). Most have pursued higher education (55.9%), and 15.5% have an advanced degree.

EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT FOR NIAGARA DISTRICT RESIDENTS AGE 25 AND OLDER, 2014-2018



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