



## Portland Police Bureau Precinct Demographics

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The following pages provide select demographics for each of the Portland Police Bureau’s precincts using data from the US Census Bureau. The Census Bureau does not collect population characteristics using precinct boundaries, so it is necessary to use geographic information systems (GIS) to aggregate Census data by precinct. The current 5-year estimates from the American Community Survey are the only available data from the Census Bureau, outside of the decennial census, that provide data in small enough geographic units (blockgroups) for PPB to accurately aggregate into precincts. The American Community Survey (ACS) provides an estimate of the population based on a sample of the population over a given period of time, within a defined margin of error. The Decennial census provides a full count of the population and a more complete picture, but this data is only available every 10 years. The most recent estimates that were released in December 2020 provide estimates from 2015-2019 and can be used to estimate the demographics of each precinct until the 2020 Census. The 5-year estimates lag behind the more current 1-year estimates, which are unavailable at a small enough geography for PPB’s Precincts. The 5-year estimates should be referenced using the full period of time and not a single year (ie: “The poverty rate in 2015-2019 was 11.8% for Central Precinct”).

The demographics included in this report only represent the residential population of Portland that is captured by the Census Bureau’s survey. This data does not include any non-residential populations, including those without housing, commuters that temporarily occupy a precinct during certain times and the tourist population. The actual population that is being served by the Portland Police Bureau is likely larger and has a different demographic composition than the population presented in this report. The composition and degree of the population shift will vary by the section of the city. The residential population of a place like Downtown is noticeably different than the daily population being served by the Police Bureau due to employment patterns, various attractions, and its visiting population.

The totals shown in the table represent a number of individuals or a number of households depending on the topic. The datasets described below note when the topic includes all individuals or is only restricted to individuals over a certain age. Household data includes all housing units within the precinct that are occupied by one or more individual. The percentages shown in the table represent the share of the total individuals or households in the precinct that fits within each category (ie: “In 2015-2019, 13.0% of East Precinct is aged 65 years and older”).

This document is produced to assist each precinct in the development of outreach and policing programs tailored to its residents, in accordance with Item #147 of the US Department of Justice Settlement Agreement with the City of Portland. The Census Bureau provides citywide estimates: <https://www.census.gov/quickfacts/portlandcityoregon>

### Descriptions of the Datasets included in this Document

Topic	American Community Survey Description
Median Household Income	Median Household Income in the Past 12 Months
Race	Race
Hispanic or Latino Origin	Hispanic or Latino Origin by Race
Education Attainment	Education Attainment for the Population 25 Years and Over
Age	Sex by Age
Housing Tenure	Housing Tenure
Poverty Status	Poverty Status of Individuals in the Past 12 Months by Living Arrangement
Language Spoken at Home	Age by Language Spoken at Home by Ability to Speak English for the Population 5 Years and Over
Household Income	Household Income in the Past 12 Months
Employment Status	Employment Status for the Population 16 Years and Over



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## Portland Police Bureau's Central Precinct Demographics

		2015-2019 Estimates	
Population	Total Individuals	209,793	
	Total Households	100,857	
Median Household Income	Median Household Income (in 2019 dollars)	\$89,383	
		2015-2019 Estimates	Estimated Percentage of Precinct
Race	American Indian and Alaska Native alone	1,000	0.5%
	Asian alone	12,731	6.1%
	Black or African American alone	6,042	2.9%
	Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone	532	0.3%
	Some Other Race alone	2,290	1.1%
	Two or More Races	10,765	5.1%
	White Alone	176,433	84.1%
Hispanic or Latino Origin	Hispanic or Latino	13,067	6.2%
	Not Hispanic or Latino	196,726	93.8%
Education Attainment (for 25 Years and Over)	Less than a High School Diploma	4,271	2.6%
	High School Diploma or Alternative Credential	13,793	8.5%
	Some College, Less than a 4 Year Degree	34,946	21.6%
	Bachelor's Degree	60,701	37.6%
	Master's, Professional or Doctorate Degree	47,809	29.6%
Age	Under 18 years	30,302	14.4%
	18 to 44 years	97,514	46.5%
	45 to 64 years	51,995	24.8%
	65 years and over	29,982	14.3%
Housing Tenure	Owner occupied units	45,544	45.2%
	Renter occupied units	55,313	54.8%
Poverty Status	Individuals living below poverty line	24,037	11.8%
Language Spoken at Home (for 5 Years and Over)	Spoke only English at home	176,654	87.8%
	Asian and Pacific Island languages	7,470	3.7%
	Other Indo-European languages	7,793	3.9%
	Spanish	6,931	3.4%
	Other languages	2,242	1.1%
Household Income	Less than \$25,000	18,404	18.2%
	\$25,000 - \$49,999	15,638	15.5%
	\$50,000 - \$74,999	13,752	13.6%
	\$75,000 - \$99,999	11,809	11.7%
	\$100,000 or more	41,254	40.9%
Employment Status	Population 16 Years and Over in the Labor Force	128,442	70.4%

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## Portland Police Bureau's East Precinct Demographics

		2015-2019 Estimates	
Population	Total Individuals	242,042	
	Total Households	90,331	
Median Household Income	Median Household Income (in 2019 dollars)	\$62,874	
		2015-2019 Estimates	Estimated Percentage of Precinct
Race	American Indian and Alaska Native alone	2,260	0.9%
	Asian alone	30,027	12.4%
	Black or African American alone	13,514	5.6%
	Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone	2,410	1.0%
	Some Other Race alone	6,492	2.7%
	Two or More Races	12,833	5.3%
	White Alone	174,506	72.1%
Hispanic or Latino Origin	Hispanic or Latino	29,076	12.0%
	Not Hispanic or Latino	212,966	88.0%
Education Attainment (for 25 Years and Over)	Less than a High School Diploma	22,291	12.8%
	High School Diploma or Alternative Credential	37,756	21.6%
	Some College, Less than a 4 Year Degree	55,986	32.1%
	Bachelor's Degree	37,668	21.6%
	Master's, Professional or Doctorate Degree	20,834	11.9%
Age	Under 18 years	49,120	20.3%
	18 to 44 years	102,254	42.2%
	45 to 64 years	59,215	24.5%
	65 years and over	31,453	13.0%
Housing Tenure	Owner occupied units	52,038	57.6%
	Renter occupied units	38,293	42.4%
Poverty Status	Individuals living below poverty line	38,694	16.2%
Language Spoken at Home (for 5 Years and Over)	Spoke only English at home	164,362	72.2%
	Asian and Pacific Island languages	25,537	11.2%
	Other Indo-European languages	13,736	6.0%
	Spanish	20,040	8.8%
	Other languages	3,831	1.7%
Household Income	Less than \$25,000	17,712	19.6%
	\$25,000 - \$49,999	20,114	22.3%
	\$50,000 - \$74,999	16,668	18.5%
	\$75,000 - \$99,999	12,802	14.2%
	\$100,000 or more	23,035	25.5%
Employment Status	Population 16 Years and Over in the Labor Force	134,181	67.8%

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## Portland Police Bureau's North Precinct Demographics

		2015-2019 Estimates	
Population	Total Individuals	196,077	
	Total Households	78,882	
Median Household Income	Median Household Income (in 2019 dollars)	\$81,207	
		2015-2019 Estimates	Estimated Percentage of Precinct
Race	American Indian and Alaska Native alone	1,818	0.9%
	Asian alone	10,204	5.2%
	Black or African American alone	17,331	8.8%
	Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander alone	720	0.4%
	Some Other Race alone	2,959	1.5%
	Two or More Races	10,987	5.6%
	White Alone	152,058	77.6%
Hispanic or Latino Origin	Hispanic or Latino	20,008	10.2%
	Not Hispanic or Latino	176,069	89.8%
Education Attainment (for 25 Years and Over)	Less than a High School Diploma	9,511	6.5%
	High School Diploma or Alternative Credential	21,111	14.5%
	Some College, Less than a 4 Year Degree	38,030	26.1%
	Bachelor's Degree	46,929	32.2%
	Master's, Professional or Doctorate Degree	30,248	20.7%
Age	Under 18 years	35,471	18.1%
	18 to 44 years	90,666	46.2%
	45 to 64 years	47,682	24.3%
	65 years and over	22,258	11.4%
Housing Tenure	Owner occupied units	47,515	60.2%
	Renter occupied units	31,367	39.8%
Poverty Status	Individuals living below poverty line	23,748	12.4%
Language Spoken at Home (for 5 Years and Over)	Spoke only English at home	157,714	85.2%
	Asian and Pacific Island languages	6,492	3.5%
	Other Indo-European languages	4,354	2.4%
	Spanish	14,116	7.6%
	Other languages	2,534	1.4%
Household Income	Less than \$25,000	11,791	14.9%
	\$25,000 - \$49,999	13,059	16.6%
	\$50,000 - \$74,999	13,634	17.3%
	\$75,000 - \$99,999	10,632	13.5%
	\$100,000 or more	29,766	37.7%
Employment Status	Population 16 Years and Over in the Labor Force	119,819	73.0%

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