

East Oakland

Community Information Book Update

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Social and Demographic Characteristics

The latest figures from Census 2000 show that 87,943 people live in East Oakland, an increase of 16% since 1990.

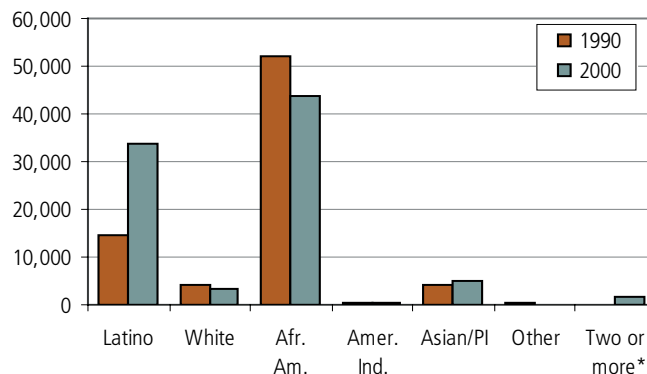
- The racial/ethnic composition of East Oakland is 51% African American,

38% Latino, 4% Asian, 4% White, 2% two or more races, 1% Pacific Islanders, and less than 1% each of American Indians and other race.

- The racial/ethnic composition of Alameda County is 41% White, 20% Asian, 19% Latino, 15% African American, 4% two or more races, and less than 1% each American Indian, Pacific Islander, and other race.

- The East Oakland Latino population showed the fastest growth rate of 132% from 1990 to 2000, reaching 33,827.

East Oakland Racial and Ethnic Composition, 1990 vs. 2000

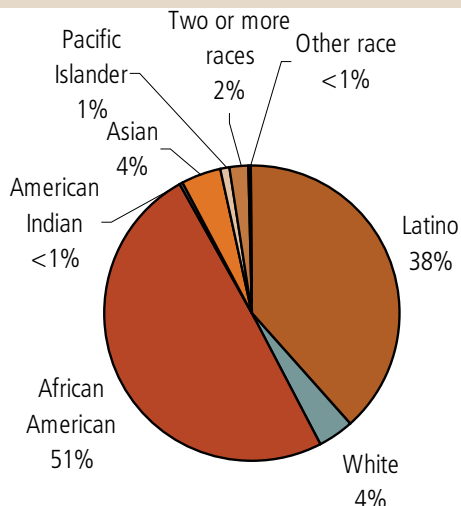


*Information on multiracial residents was collected for the first time in the 2000 Census. Therefore, 1990 comparison is not available.

- Additionally, the Asian and Pacific Islanders in East Oakland experienced a 13% population increase between 1990 and 2000.

- The African American population experienced a decrease by 16% to 43,744. The White population also decreased by 24% between 1990 and 2000, to a population of 3,217.

East Oakland Racial and Ethnic Composition, 2000



The census tracts included in this update are 4073-4076, 4084-4089, 4091-4097, 4102-4104. Please see the East Oakland Community Information Book for a map of the area.



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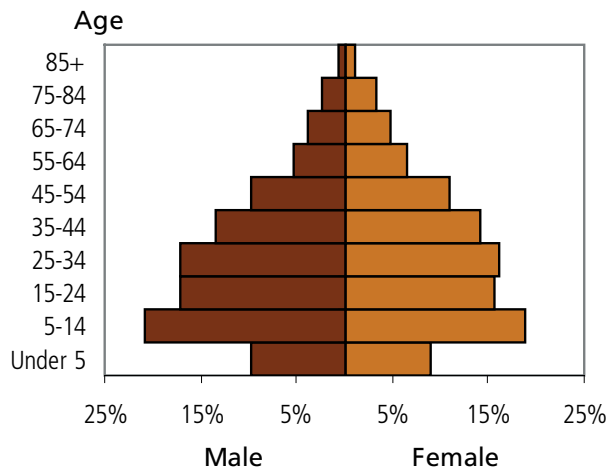
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Sex and Age

- In 1999, East Oakland had slightly more women (51%) than men (49%). This was the same as Alameda County.
- Children under 14 years of age made up 29% of the community in East Oakland, as compared to 21% in Alameda County as a whole.
- Seniors (65 and older) made up 8% of the East Oakland population, as compared to 10% countywide.

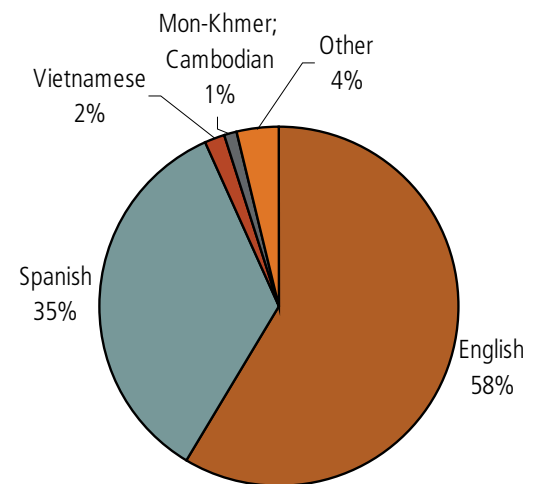
East Oakland Age Distribution by Sex, 2000



Language

- In 2000, 58% of East Oakland residents age 5 years and older spoke only English at home.
- The breakdown of languages spoken in East Oakland homes was Spanish (35%), Vietnamese (2%), Mon-Khmer/Cambodian (1%), and some other language (4%). This included people who can speak English in addition to other languages.

East Oakland Language Spoken at Home, 2000



Household

- Between 1990 and 2000, households in East Oakland increased by 3.7% from 24,627 to 25,544.



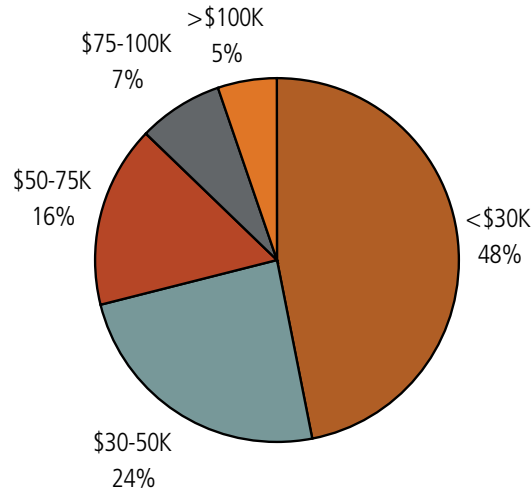
Income and Poverty

■ Almost half (48%) of households in East Oakland earned an income of less than \$30,000 in 1999, as compared to 26% in Alameda County as a whole.

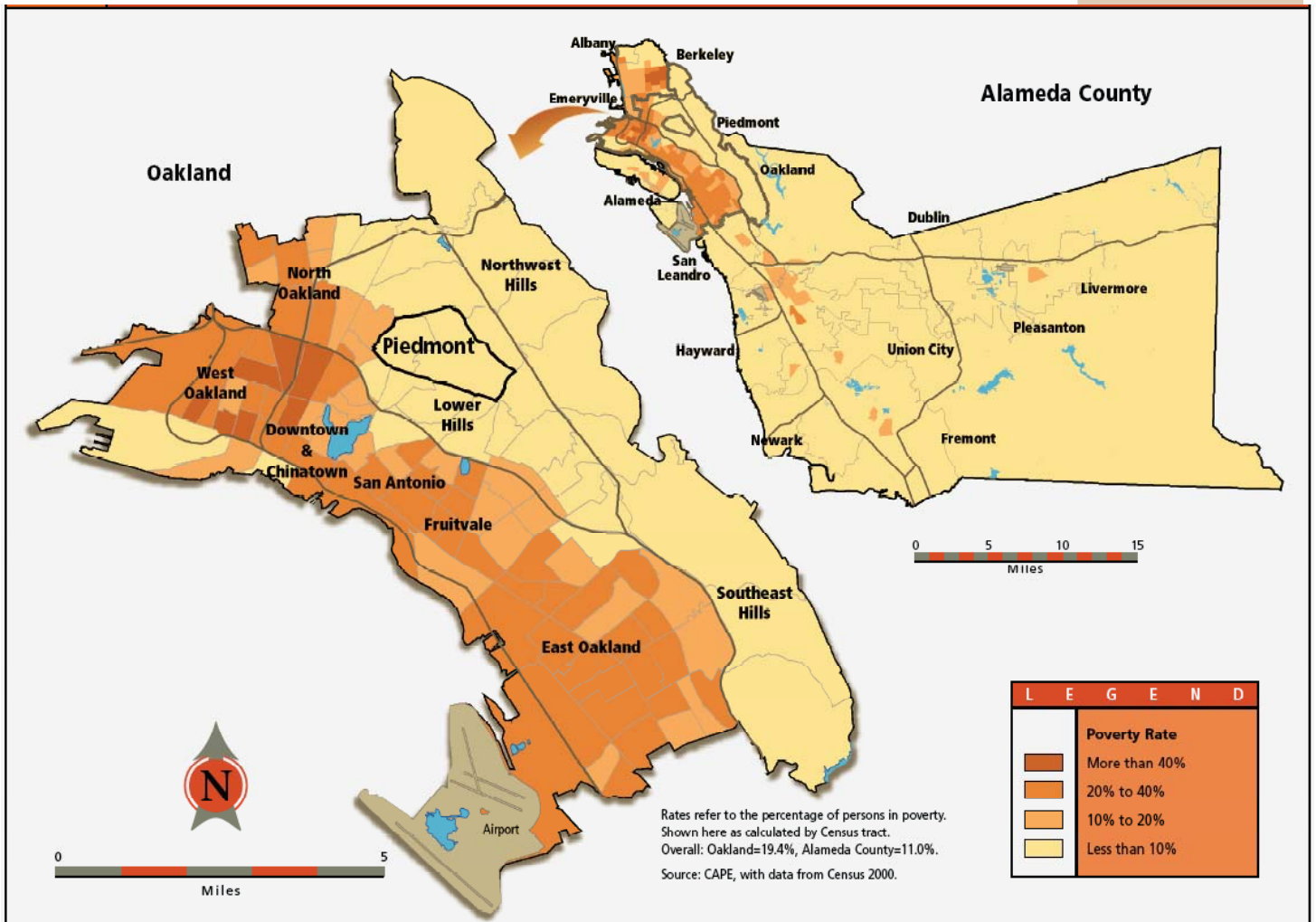
■ In 1999, half of all households in Alameda County earned more than \$46,795. In 1999, half of the households in the richest census tract of East Oakland earned more than \$40,787, while half of the households in the poorest census tract earned less than \$25,903.

■ Another way to look at income is through a poverty level established by the federal government. According to this method, people under a certain income level are considered poor. The map below shows the percent of people living in poverty in 1999. The poverty level for a family of four was \$16,895 in 1999.

East Oakland Household Income Distribution, 1999

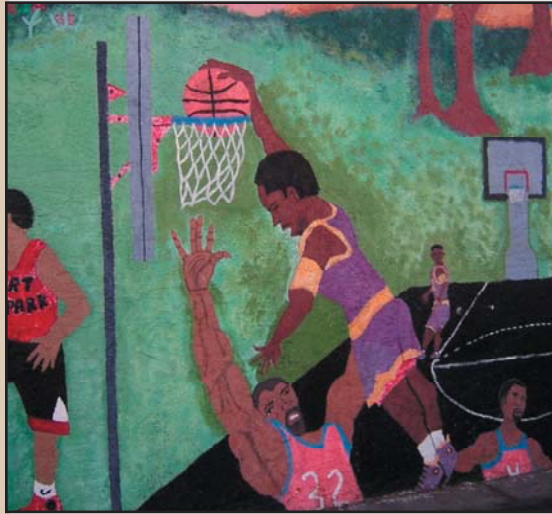


Oakland and Alameda County Poverty Rate, 1999



Employment and Occupation

- 27,680 people in East Oakland age 16 years and older were employed in 1999.
- Approximately 26% of employed East Oakland residents worked in sales and office jobs. These included retail workers, secretaries, and postal clerks.



- 24% of East Oakland workers held service occupations such as firefighters, police, housekeepers, childcare workers, cooks, waiter/waitresses, janitors, and hairdressers.

- 20% of East Oakland residents were employed in production, transportation, and material moving occupations, which included bus drivers, movers, and aircraft control operators.

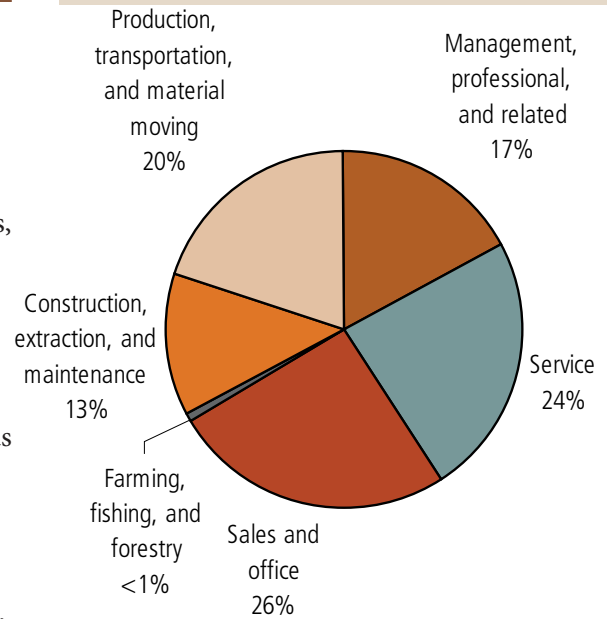
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- Construction and maintenance workers made up 13% of the workers. These included construction trade workers, installation, maintenance, and repair occupations.

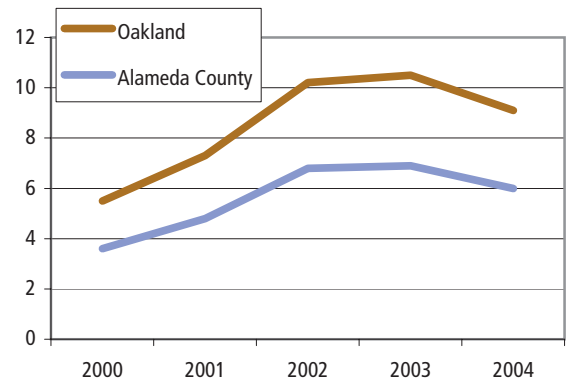
- About 17% were employed in management, professional, and related occupations. These included executives, engineers, teachers, lawyers, and nurses.

- In 2004, approximately 9.1% of Oakland residents age 16 or older were unemployed,

East Oakland Occupations, 2000



Oakland Annual Unemployment Rate, 2000-2004



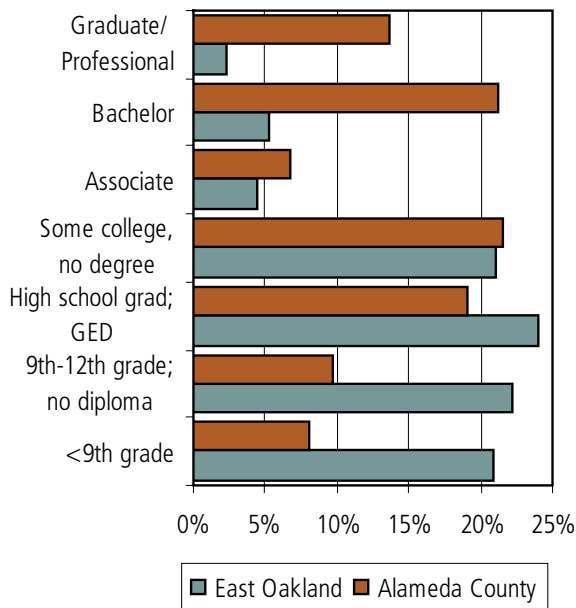
as compared to 6.0% in Alameda County as a whole.

- Unemployment in Oakland increased from 2000 to 2003 and had a slight decline in 2004.

Education

- In 2000, about 7% of East Oakland residents aged 25 and older had completed college (bachelor's degree) or held a graduate/professional degree. For Alameda County as a whole this figure was 35%.
- About 21% in East Oakland had completed some college (but had not graduated) and 4% had completed an associate degree. This was similar to 22% who had attended some college and 7% who had completed an associate degree in Alameda County as a whole.
- Approximately 24% of East Oakland residents had graduated from high school or passed the General Educational Development (GED) exam. In Alameda County as a whole, 19% had finished high school or held a GED certificate.
- 43% of East Oakland residents ages 25 and over did not have a high school degree. This figure was 18% in Alameda County as a whole.

East Oakland Educational Attainment, 2000

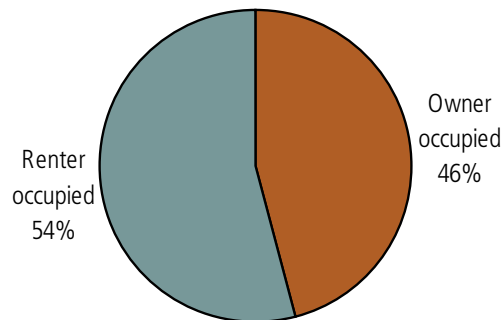


Housing

- In East Oakland, there were 26,583 housing units in the year 2000. About 3.9% of these were vacant.
- On average, there were 3.4 persons per household in East Oakland, as compared to 2.7 in Alameda County.
- 46% of the households in East Oakland were occupied by the owner.



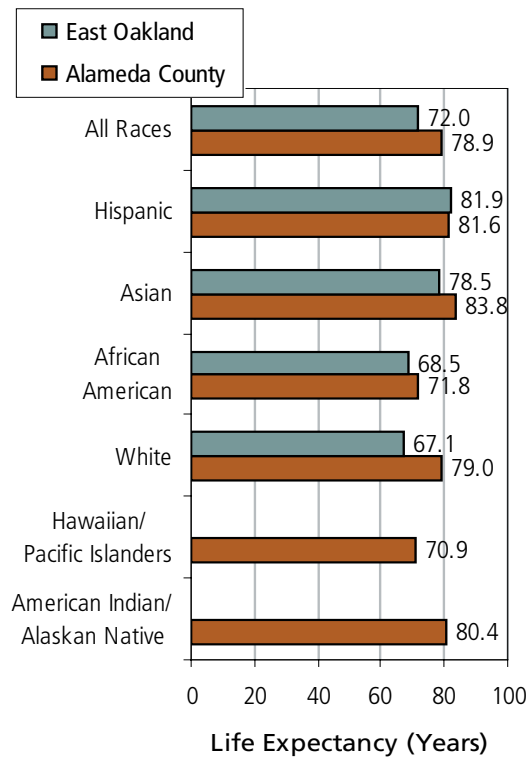
East Oakland Tenure, 2000



Mortality

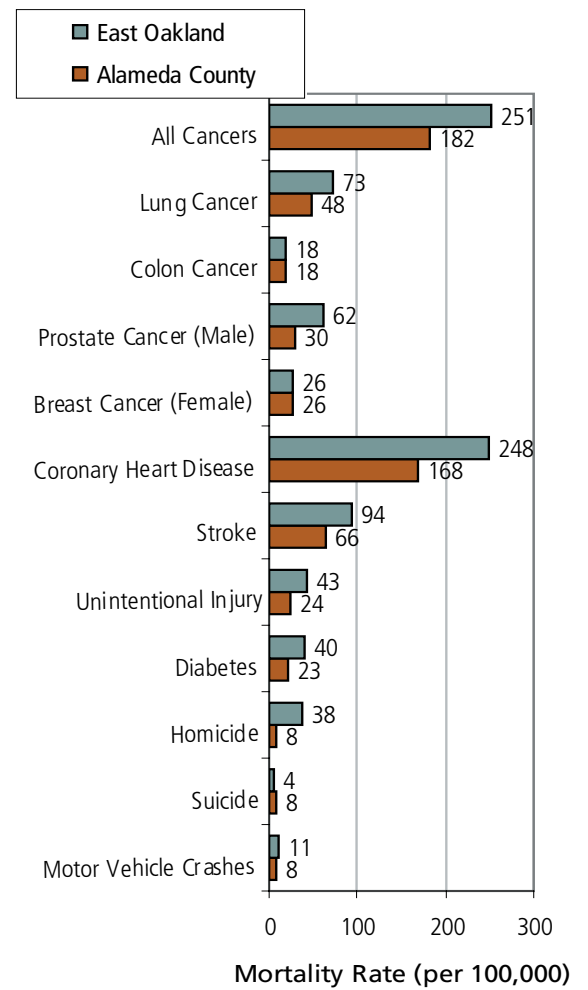
- Life expectancy is the average number of years of life to be expected if current mortality rates continue.
- The life expectancy in East Oakland for the years 2000 to 2003 was 72.0 years. This was 6.9 years lower than Alameda County as a whole.
- Except for Hispanics, the life expectancy for each race/ethnic group was lower in East Oakland than in Alameda County.
- The life expectancy for Hispanics in East Oakland (81.9 years), was slightly higher than that for Alameda County (81.6 years).

East Oakland Life Expectancy, 2000-2003



- The number of deaths in a defined group of people during a given period is called the mortality (or death) rate.
- The mortality rate for all causes of death in West Oakland was 1,133 per 100,000 people for 2000-2003. This is 50% higher than the Alameda County rate of 756.
- The mortality rate for each cause of death was higher in East Oakland than the Alameda County rates. The exceptions were suicide, whose rate was half that of the county, and breast cancer, whose rate was the same as the county.
- The homicide rate in East Oakland was over four times the county homicide rate.

East Oakland Mortality Rate, 2000-2003



- The top two causes of death for each race/ethnic group in East Oakland were heart disease and cancers.
- For Whites and Asians in East Oakland, stroke, unintentional injuries, and chronic lower respiratory diseases were the third, fourth, and fifth leading causes of death, respectively.
- Homicide was the fourth leading cause of death for Hispanics and African Americans.

Leading Causes of Death by Race/Ethnicity, 2000-2003

Rank	Hispanic	Asian	African American	White	Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islanders
1	Heart disease (38)	Heart disease (21)	Heart disease (537)	Heart disease (82)	Heart disease (5) Cancers (5)
2	Cancers (37)	Cancers (19)	Cancers (468)	Cancers (51)	♦
3	Unintentional injuries (21)	Stroke (15)	Stroke (155)	Stroke (16)	♦
4	Homicide (20)	Unintentional injuries (8)	Homicide (118)	Unintentional injuries (14)	♦
5	Perinatal conditions (15)	Chronic lower respiratory diseases (5)	Unintentional injuries (78)	Chronic lower respiratory diseases (13)	♦

Notes: The numbers in () are the four-year total number of deaths.

♦ Fewer than five deaths during the four-year period.

