

Trends

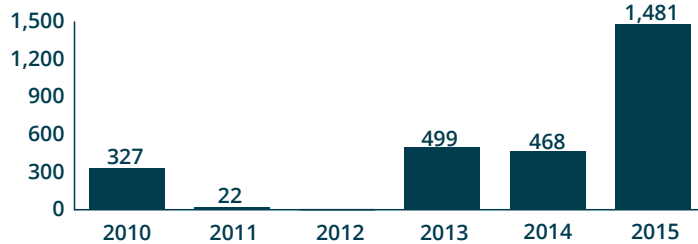
Historical Trends in East Boston

- The population grew 17% and occupied housing units grew 10% from 2000 to 2015.
- Transportation and warehousing are the largest industries in East Boston, accounting for nearly half of all payroll jobs.
- From 2000 to 2015, the share of East Boston residents age 16 and older participating in the labor force grew from 59% to 75%.
- In 1970, East Boston had less than 500 Hispanic residents. By 2015 more than half of the population was Hispanic.
- In 2015, more than half of East Boston's population was foreign born, compared to just 16% in 1970.
- The percentage of East Boston residents age 25 and over with a Bachelor's degree doubled between 2000 and 2015.

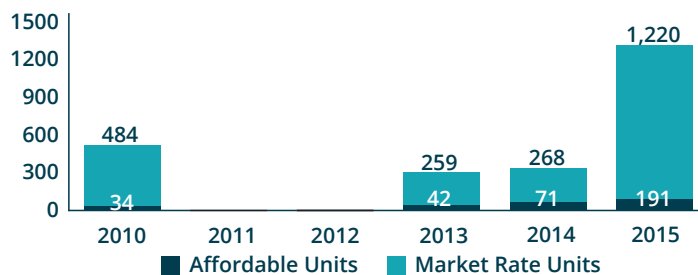
The Future for East Boston

- East Boston's growth is poised to continue with 2,828 new units of housing approved between 2010 and 2015.⁴

BPDA Board-Approved Development (in Thousands of Feet²)
2010-2015



BPDA Board-Approved Housing Units
2010-2015



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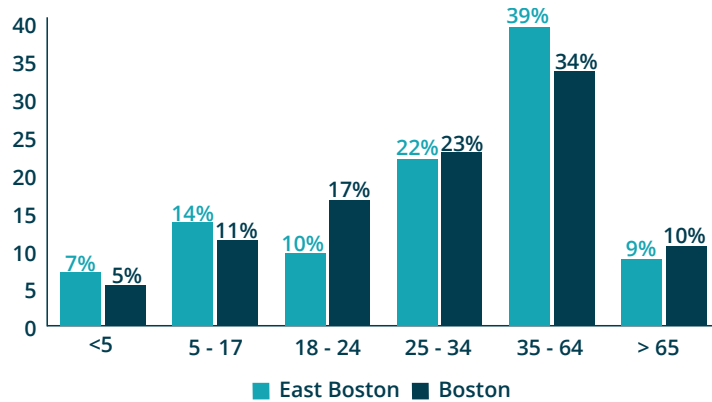
Population Growth

- East Boston had 44,989 residents in 2015, 7% of Boston.¹
- East Boston grew by 17% from 2000 to 2015, faster than the city's growth of 10% over the same time period.

Age Distribution

- 21% of East Boston residents are children, compared to 17% in Boston as a whole.
- The 5-17 age group decreased from 16% in 2000 to 14% in 2015.

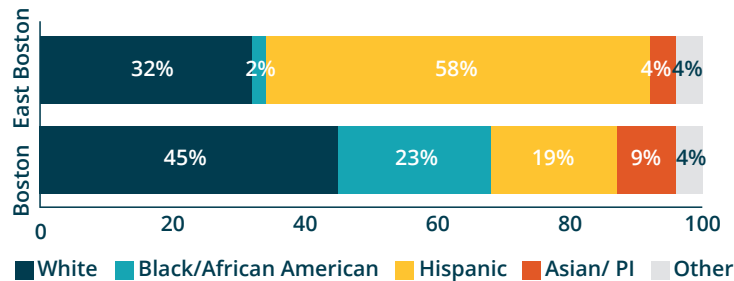
East Boston & Boston Residents by Age
2015



Diversity

- In 2015, more than half of East Boston's population was foreign-born, compared to 23% in 1990.
- The Hispanic/Latino population has increased dramatically from 1% in 1970 to 58% in 2015.

East Boston & Boston Residents by Race
2015



Economy

Jobs

- East Boston had 21,076 jobs in 2014, 44% of which were in transportation and warehousing.²
- The number of East Boston payroll jobs has grown 6% since 2011.

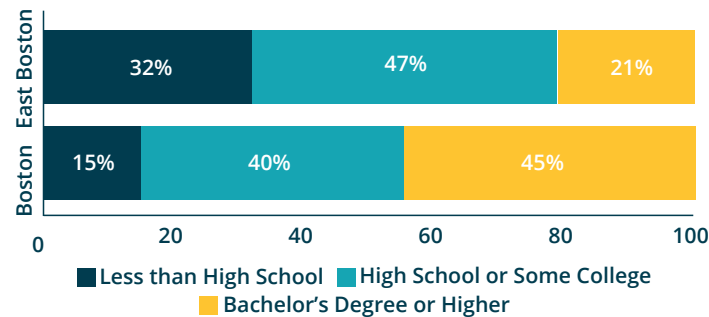
Labor Force

- East Boston's labor force had 27,736 people in 2015.
- 75% of East Boston residents age 16 and older participated in the labor force, compared to 68% for Boston.
- The top occupations of East Boston residents in 2015: Food Preparation/Serving, Building & Grounds Maintenance, and Administrative Support

Education

- 6% of total East Boston residents in 2015 were enrolled in a college or university.
- About a fifth of East Boston residents age 25 and older in 2015 had obtained a bachelor's degree or higher.

Educational Attainment (Age 25+)
2015



Income

- The median household income in East Boston in 2015 was \$51,549, compared to the Boston median of \$55,777.

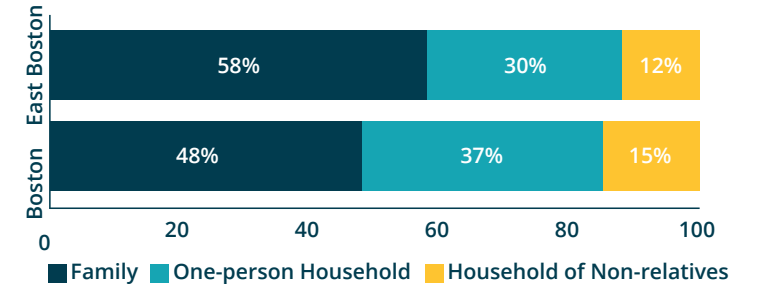
Note: Demographic data are for the Census-tract approximations of East Boston. 1. U.S. Census Bureau, 1950-2010 Decennial Censuses & 2011-2015 American Community Survey; 2. U.S. Census Bureau, OnTheMap Application and LEHD Origin-Destination Employment Statistics, 2011 & 2014; 3. Boston Planning and Development Agency Board Memos.

Place

Households

- More than 99% of East Boston residents live in households, 58% of which are families.

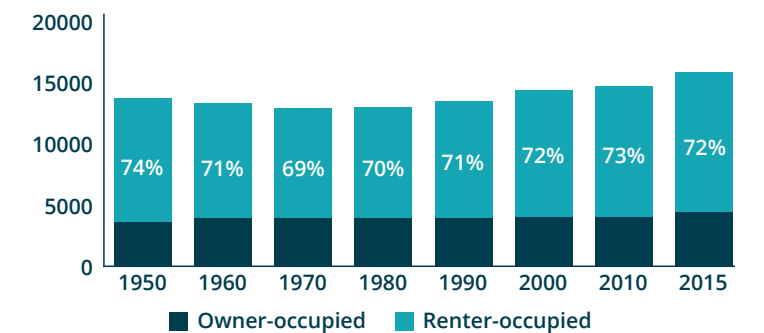
Household Type
2015



Renters and Owners

- Since 1950, approximately 70-75% of East Boston households have been rentals, about the same as Boston as a whole.
- The median rent in East Boston in 2015 was \$1,139, compared to \$1,320 for Boston as a whole.

East Boston Occupied Housing Units
1950-2015



Vehicles

- 63% of East Boston households in 2015 had at least one vehicle, compared to 65% of all Boston households.
- The ratio of vehicles to households in East Boston grew from 0.79 in 2000 to 0.84 in 2015.