Historical Trends in Beacon Hill

- The Beacon Hill population grew by only 2.8% and occupied housing units were virtually unchanged from 2000 to 2015.
- From 2000 to 2015, the share of 18 to 24 year olds decreased and the share of 25 to 34 year olds increased.
- The foreign-born share of Beacon Hill’s population fell from 15% in 2000 to 10% in 2015.
- From 2000 to 2015 the share of Beacon Hill adults with at least a Bachelor’s degree grew from 79% to 90%.
- Payroll jobs in Beacon Hill increased by 3.8% from 2011 to 2014.
- The owner-occupancy rate in Beacon Hill has increased from 31% in 2000 to 33% in 2015.
- The share of Beacon Hill households with a car fell from 65% in 2000 to 42% in 2015.

The Future for Beacon Hill

- Beacon Hill will continue to grow slowly with only one new large development (33-61 Temple Street) approved since 2010.

BPDA Board-Approved Development (in Thousands of Feet²)
2010-2016

BPDA Board-Approved Housing Units
2010-2016

Affordable Units
Market Rate Units
People

Population Growth
- Beacon Hill had a population of 9,305 in 2015, 1.4% of Boston’s population.¹
- Beacon Hill grew by 2.8% from 2000 to 2015, slower than the city’s growth of 10% over the same time period.

Age Distribution
- Only 3.7% of Beacon Hill residents were school age children in 2015, compared to 11% of the Boston population. ²
- Beacon Hill has a much larger share of 25 to 34 year olds than the city as a whole.

Economy

Jobs
- Beacon Hill had 3,496 payroll jobs in 2014, 41% of which were in Public Administration.²
- Beacon Hill has 0.68 payroll jobs for every resident worker, and 0.6% of the payroll jobs in Boston.

Labor Force
- Beacon Hill’s resident labor force had 6,922 people in 2015, less than 2% of Boston’s total labor force.
- 82% of Beacon Hill residents age 16 or older participate in the labor force, compared to 68% for Boston.
- The top occupations of Beacon Hill residents in 2015: Business and Finance, Management, and Sales.

Education
- 10% of Beacon Hill residents were enrolled in college or university in 2015, a lower share than the city as a whole (17%).
- In 2015, 90% of Beacon Hill residents age 25 and older had a Bachelor’s degree, double the citywide average.

Income
- The median household income in Beacon Hill in 2015 was $93,033, higher than the Boston median of $55,777.


Place

Households
- All Beacon Hill residents live in households, 26% of which are families.
- Over half of Beacon Hill households have only one person.

Renters and Owners
- In 2015, Beacon Hill had 2,437 condos, 43% of which were owner occupied.³
- Beacon Hill’s median rent in 2015 was $1,810, higher than the city’s median rent of $1,320.

Vehicles
- 42% of Beacon Hill’s households own at least one car, lower than the city average of 65%.
- The ratio of vehicles to households in Beacon Hill was only 0.49 in 2015, lower than 0.91 for the city average.

Diversity
- About 10% of Beacon Hill residents were foreign born in 2015, compared with about 27% of Boston residents.
- 87% of Beacon Hill residents are non-Hispanic Whites.

Economic Attainment (Age 25+)
- 87% of Beacon Hill residents are non-Hispanic Whites.
- 45% of Beacon Hill residents were employed in 2015, compared to 58% for Boston.
- 90% of Beacon Hill residents age 16 or older have a high school degree or higher, compared to 83% for Boston.

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