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This document is one of a three part report analyzing Boston's Children, their households, and their householders by selected characteristics.

Part I

Boston's Children
A summary of Boston's children age 0-17

Part II

Mapping Boston's Children in Poverty
Mapping children in poverty by selected demographic characteristics

Part III

Boston's Children: Complete Data Set
The complete collection of variable tables used to analyze children in Boston

Children 0-17

Summary of Findings

- 76.4% of children are Hispanic or non-white.
- 8.7% of children are foreign born.
- 55.4% of children live in a single parent household.
 - 63.2% of these are headed by a native born householder.
 - 87.1% of these are in female headed households.
- 78.6% of children enrolled in school are non-white.
- 85.9% of Boston's children enrolled in public school are non-white.
- 28.9% of Boston's kids are living below the poverty line.
 - 91.4% of these children are non-white.
- 16.3% of households with children have an income of \$22,350 or less.
 - 41.3% of single parent households with children have an income of \$22,350 or less.
- 13.3% of households with kids are linguistically isolated compared to 11.5% for all of Boston.
- Spanish is the second most common language spoken in households with children.
- 26.6% of householders with children have a high school degree and 30% of them have a bachelor's degree or higher, compared with 21.1% and 46.5% for Boston respectively.

This report uses data from the 2007-2011 American Community Survey, Public Use Microdata Sample.

Characteristics of Children in Boston

Race and Ethnicity

- The overwhelming majority (76.4%) of children age 0-17 in Boston are non-white. However, the following table shows that when the age groups are separated there are fewer minority children in the 0-5 age group than 6-11 or 12-17.

Race and Ethnicity	0-17 Year Olds		0-5 Year Olds		6-11 Year Olds		12-17 Year Olds	
	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%
White	24,602	23.6%	11,104	29.8%	6,781	21.0%	6,717	19.3%
Black or African American	35,988	34.5%	11,122	29.9%	11,203	34.8%	13,663	39.2%
Hispanic	30,550	29.3%	10,261	27.6%	9,724	30.2%	10,565	30.3%
Asian	7,215	6.9%	2,522	6.8%	2,427	7.5%	2,266	6.5%
Some Other Race	2,372	2.3%	593	1.6%	937	2.9%	842	2.4%
Two or More Major Races	3,532	3.4%	1,621	4.4%	1,152	3.6%	759	2.2%
Total	104,259	100.0%	37,223	100.0%	32,224	100.0%	34,812	100.0%

Nativity

- While 27.1% of Boston population is foreign born, only 8.7% of its children are foreign born.
- For children age 0-5, 2.7% are foreign born.
- 8.2% of children 6-11 years old are foreign born.
- 15.6% of 12-17 year olds are foreign born.

Nativity	0-17 Year Olds		0-5 Year Olds		6-11 Year Olds		12-17 Year Olds	
	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%
Native Born	95,187	91.3%	36,234	97.3%	29,587	91.8%	29,366	84.4%
Foreign Born	9,072	8.7%	989	2.7%	2,637	8.2%	5,446	15.6%
Total	104,259	100.0%	37,223	100.0%	32,224	100.0%	34,812	100.0%

Household Type and Family Structure

- Of the 98,052 children living in a family household, 55.4% are in single parent homes. Of those, 63.2% are living with a single parent who is native born, which accounts for 35% of all household types.
- 87.1% of the children in single parent homes are with female heads of household.
- In total, 48.3% of Boston's children are in a single, female headed household.

Nativity of Parents	0-17 Year Olds		0-5 Year Olds		6-11 Year Olds		12-17 Year Olds	
	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%
<u>Two Parent Households</u>								
Both Parents Native	18,143	41.5%	8,764	47.6%	4,671	36.6%	4,708	37.6%
One Parent Foreign Born	7,213	16.5%	3,063	16.6%	2,368	18.5%	1,782	14.2%
Both Parents Foreign Born	18,373	42.0%	6,593	35.8%	5,733	44.9%	6,047	48.2%
Total	43,729	100.0%	18,420	100.0%	12,772	100.0%	12,537	100.0%
<u>One Parent Households</u>								
Parent Native	34,312	63.2%	12,062	67.0%	10,701	60.4%	11,549	62.1%
Parent Foreign Born	20,011	36.8%	5,942	33.0%	7,025	39.6%	7,044	37.9%
Total	54,323	100.0%	18,004	100.0%	17,726	100.0%	18,593	100.0%
<u>All Household Types</u>								
Two Parent HH, Both Native	18,143	18.5%	8,764	24.1%	4,671	15.3%	4,708	15.1%
Two Parent HH, One Parent FB	7,213	7.4%	3,063	8.4%	2,368	7.8%	1,782	5.7%
Two Parent HH, Both Parents FB	18,373	18.7%	6,593	18.1%	5,733	18.8%	6,047	19.4%
One Parent HH, Parent Native	34,312	35.0%	12,062	33.1%	10,701	35.1%	11,549	37.1%
One Parent HH, Parent FB	20,011	20.4%	5,942	16.3%	7,025	23.0%	7,044	22.6%
Total	98,052	100.0%	36,424	100.0%	30,498	100.0%	31,130	100.0%

Household Type – One Parent	0-17 Year Olds	
	Estimate	%
Living with Father	7,011	12.9%
Living with Mother	47,312	87.1%
Total	54,323	100.0%

- There is a significant difference in race and ethnicity between children living in one versus two parent households.
 - 41.4% of children in two parent households are white.
 - In one parent households, 10.5% of the children living are white, 43.8% are Black or African American, and 37.5% are Hispanic.

Race/Ethnicity by Household Type	0-17 Year Olds in Two Parent Households		0-17 Year Olds in One Parent Households	
	Estimate	%	Estimate	%
White	18,102	41.4%	5,694	10.5%
Black or African American	9,454	21.6%	23,795	43.8%
Hispanic	8,357	19.1%	20,351	37.5%
Asian	5,051	11.6%	1,742	3.2%
Some Other Race	1,061	2.4%	1,172	2.2%
Two or More Major Races	1,704	3.9%	1,569	2.9%
Total	43,729	100.0%	54,323	100.0%

Education

Grade Level Attending	0-17 Year Olds	
	Estimate	%
Not Attending School	26,446	25.4%
Nursery School/preschool	7,865	7.5%
Kindergarten	7,672	7.4%
Grade 1 to 4	21,553	20.7%
Grade 5 to 8	22,006	21.1%
Grade 9 to grade 12	17,975	17.2%
College undergraduate	742	0.7%
Total	104,259	100.0%

- Of the 77,813 children enrolled in school, 78.6% are non-white.
- Of the 61,099 children enrolled in public school, 85.9% are non-white.

Race and Ethnicity of Children Enrolled In School	0-17 Year Olds		0-5 Year Olds		6-11 Year Olds		12-17 Year Olds	
	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%
White	16,690	21.4%	3,631	28.4%	6,645	21.0%	6,414	19.2%
Black or African American	28,443	36.6%	4,335	33.9%	10,956	34.7%	13,152	39.3%
Hispanic	23,075	29.7%	3,405	26.6%	9,539	30.2%	10,131	30.3%
Asian	5,331	6.9%	752	5.9%	2,398	7.6%	2,181	6.5%
Some Other Race	1,945	2.5%	166	1.3%	937	3.0%	842	2.5%
Two or More Major Races	2,329	3.0%	505	3.9%	1,110	3.5%	714	2.1%
Total	77,813	100.0%	12,794	100.0%	31,585	100.0%	33,434	100.0%

- There is a drop in the number of white children enrolled in school and in public school between the 0-5 and 6-11 age groups.
- In public schools, the number of white children increases slightly as the children reach exam school and high school age.

Race and Ethnicity of Children In Public School	0-17 Year Olds		0-5 Year Olds		6-11 Year Olds		12-17 Year Olds	
	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%
White	8,604	14.1%	1,338	16.2%	3,298	12.8%	3,968	14.6%
Black or African American	24,331	39.8%	3,470	42.0%	9,788	38.1%	11,073	40.8%
Hispanic	20,379	33.4%	2,653	32.1%	8,816	34.3%	8,910	32.8%
Asian	4,509	7.4%	519	6.3%	1,996	7.8%	1,994	7.4%
Some Other Race	1,743	2.9%	110	1.3%	884	3.4%	749	2.8%
Two or More Major Races	1,533	2.5%	165	2.0%	938	3.6%	430	1.6%
Total	61,099	100.0%	8,255	100.0%	25,720	100.0%	27,124	100.0%

- Over 50% of children ages 0-11 in private school are white.
- The percentage of Black or African American children in private school increases from roughly 19% to 32.9% between the 6-11 and 12-17 age groups.

Race and Ethnicity of Children In Private School	0-17 Year Olds		0-5 Year Olds		6-11 Year Olds		12-17 Year Olds	
	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%
White	8,086	48.4%	2,293	50.5%	3,347	57.1%	2,446	38.8%
Black or African American	4,112	24.6%	865	19.1%	1,168	19.9%	2,079	32.9%
Hispanic	2,696	16.1%	752	16.6%	723	12.3%	1,221	19.4%
Asian	822	4.9%	233	5.1%	402	6.9%	187	3.0%
Some Other Race	202	1.2%	56	1.2%	53	0.9%	93	1.5%
Two or More Major Races	796	4.8%	340	7.5%	172	2.9%	284	4.5%
Total	16,714	100.0%	4,539	100.0%	5,865	100.0%	6,310	100.0%

- 34.7%, or 21,185, of Boston’s children in public school are living below poverty.
- 40.9% (3,374) of children age 0-5 are living below the poverty line.
- Overall, 30,095 (28.9%) children in Boston live below the poverty line.
 - 91.4% of these children are non-white.

Poverty Level	0-17 Year Olds		0-5 Year Olds		6-11 Year Olds		12-17 Year Olds	
	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%
Below or at Poverty Line	30,095	28.9%	10,026	26.9%	10,321	32.0%	9,748	28.0%
Above to Up to 2x Above PL	22,812	21.9%	7,909	21.2%	6,973	21.6%	7,930	22.8%
2x to Up to 3x Above Poverty Line	14,884	14.3%	5,115	13.7%	4,645	14.4%	5,124	14.7%
3x to Up to 4x Above Poverty Line	10,821	10.4%	3,329	8.9%	3,601	11.2%	3,891	11.2%
4x + Above Poverty Line	23,979	23.0%	10,679	28.7%	6,311	19.6%	6,989	20.1%
Missing	1,668	1.6%	165	0.4%	373	1.2%	1,130	3.2%
Total	104,259	100.0%	37,223	100.0%	32,224	100.0%	34,812	100.0%

Poverty Level of Non-White Children	0-17 Year Olds		0-5 Year Olds		6-11 Year Olds		12-17 Year Olds	
	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%
Below or at Poverty Line	27,505	34.5%	8,991	34.4%	9,374	36.8%	9,140	32.5%
Above to Up to 2x Above PL	20,664	25.9%	7,000	26.8%	6,350	25.0%	7,314	26.0%
2x to Up to 3x Above Poverty Line	11,993	15.1%	4,075	15.6%	3,795	14.9%	4,123	14.7%
3x to Up to 4x Above Poverty Line	7,415	9.3%	2,058	7.9%	2,454	9.6%	2,903	10.3%
4x + Above Poverty Line	10,866	13.6%	3,830	14.7%	3,124	12.3%	3,912	13.9%
Missing	1,214	1.5%	165	0.6%	346	1.4%	703	2.5%
Total	79,657	100.0%	26,119	100.0%	25,443	100.0%	28,095	100.0%

Characteristics of Households with Children in Boston

Household Income

The median income for households with children is \$48,400, which is only slightly lower than Boston’s median income of \$49,900.

Household Income	With Children 0-17	
	Estimate	%
\$0 to \$11,175	7,721	13.1%
\$11,176 to \$22,350	7,748	13.2%
\$22,351 to \$50,000	15,009	25.5%
\$50,001 to \$75,000	8,254	14.0%
\$75,001 or Higher	20,123	34.2%
Total	58,855	100.0%

Language

The U.S. Census Bureau defines a linguistically isolated household as one in which no one 14 years of age and over speaks English very well.

- Compared to 11.5% for all of Boston’s households, just over 13% of households with children are linguistically isolated. However, the number is lower for the 12-17 age group (7.8%).

Linguistically Isolated Households	With Children 0-17		With Children 0-5		With Children 6-11		With Children 12-17	
	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%
Not Linguistically Isolated	51,026	86.7%	23,548	83.2%	21,242	84.0%	24,208	92.2%
Linguistically Isolated	7,829	13.3%	4,759	16.8%	4,058	16.0%	2,060	7.8%
Total	58,855	100.0%	28,307	100.0%	25,300	100.0%	26,268	100.0%

All Linguistically Isolated Households	Boston	
	Estimate	%
Not Linguistically Isolated	219,265	88.5%
Linguistically Isolated	28,354	11.5%
Total	247,619	100.0%

- The most common language spoken at home in households with children is English at 51.4%, and the second most common language is Spanish at 25.8%.

**Language Spoken at Home
With Children 0-17**

	Estimate	%
English	30,252	51.4%
Spanish	15,179	25.8%
French Creole	3,188	5.4%
Portuguese	1,610	2.7%
Vietnamese	1,499	2.5%
Chinese	1,291	2.2%
French	1,001	1.7%
Cantonese	509	0.9%
Kru, Ibo, Yoruba	498	0.8%
Italian	359	0.6%
Other	3,469	5.9%
Total	58,855	100.0%

Employment Status

- The most likely living situation for children regarding the householder’s labor force status is in a single, female headed household with the female householder in the labor force.
- The second most likely is in a married-couple family with both parents in the labor force.
- The third likely is in a female headed household in which the householder is not in the labor force.
- Overall, 45.1% of households with children are headed by single females.

*For all scenarios, however, it is not possible to determine if the parents are employed or unemployed.

- As children move through the 0-5, 6-11, and 12-17 age groups, the likelihood of them living in a married-couple family decreases and the likelihood of their being in a single, female headed household increases.

Household Family Type & Labor Force Status of Households	With Children 0-17		With Children 0-5		With Children 6-11		With Children 12-17	
	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%
Married-couple: Husband and wife in LF	18,891	32.1%	10,225	36.1%	7,567	29.9%	7,326	27.9%
Married-couple: Husband in LF, wife not in LF	5,624	9.6%	3,433	12.1%	2,133	8.4%	2,010	7.7%
Married-couple: Husband not in LF, wife in LF	1,685	2.9%	630	2.2%	657	2.6%	892	3.4%
Married-couple: Neither husband nor wife in LF	592	1.0%	357	1.3%	108	0.4%	260	1.0%
Male householder, no wife present, in LF	4,495	7.6%	1,921	6.8%	1,627	6.4%	1,917	7.3%
Male householder, no wife present, not in LF	694	1.2%	233	0.8%	312	1.2%	283	1.1%
Female householder, no husband present, in LF	19,525	33.2%	8,393	29.6%	9,248	36.6%	9,778	37.2%
Female householder, no husband present, not in LF	7,016	11.9%	3,115	11.0%	3,549	14.0%	3,507	13.4%
N/A (GQ/vacant/non-family household)	333	0.6%	0	0.0%	99	0.4%	295	1.1%
Total	58,855	100.0%	28,307	100.0%	25,300	100.0%	26,268	100.0%

Characteristics of Householders with Children in Boston

Race and Ethnicity

- There are more children of “Two or More Races” than there are householders of “Two or More Races”, demonstrating that there is increasing diversity among this generation of families.

Race/Ethnicity of Householder	With Children 0-17		With Children 0-5		With Children 6-11		With Children 12-17	
	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%
White	17,303	29.4%	9,427	33.3%	6,475	25.6%	6,024	22.9%
Black or African American	18,982	32.3%	7,884	27.9%	8,543	33.8%	10,238	39.0%
Hispanic	15,602	26.5%	7,545	26.7%	7,416	29.3%	7,093	27.0%
Asian	4,797	8.2%	2,463	8.7%	1,863	7.4%	1,871	7.1%
Some Other Race	1,277	2.2%	541	1.9%	657	2.6%	691	2.6%
Two or More Major Races	894	1.5%	447	1.6%	346	1.4%	351	1.3%
Total	58,855	100.0%	28,307	100.0%	25,300	100.0%	26,268	100.0%

Race and Ethnicity of Children	0-17 Year Olds		0-5 Year Olds		6-11 Year Olds		12-17 Year Olds	
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Nativity and Language

- Just fewer than 50% of householders with children are foreign born, and approximately 14% of householders have limited English proficiency.
- At 15.9%, the percentage of householders with limited English proficiency is slightly higher for those with children between the ages of 6-17.

Ability to Speak English	With Children 0-17		With Children 0-5		With Children 6-11		With Children 12-17	
	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%
English Proficient	50,673	86.1%	24,875	87.9%	21,268	84.1%	22,087	84.1%
Limited English Proficiency	8,182	13.9%	3,432	12.1%	4,032	15.9%	4,181	15.9%
Total	58,855	100.0%	28,307	100.0%	25,300	100.0%	26,268	100.0%

Education

Householders with children have lower educational attainment than the overall percentages for Boston.

- While 26.6% of householders with children have just a high school degree (21.1% for Boston), there are also fewer householders with children who have a Bachelor's degree or higher (30%) than the total percentage for Boston (46.5%).
- It should also be noted that 6.1% of householders with children are currently enrolled in an undergraduate or graduate program or professional school.

Educational Attainment	With Children 0-17		With Children 0-5		With Children 6-11		With Children 12-17	
	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%
8th Grade or less	4,487	7.6%	2,035	7.2%	2,160	8.5%	2,413	9.2%
Less than High School	5,830	9.9%	2,654	9.4%	3,246	12.8%	3,052	11.6%
High School Graduate	15,667	26.6%	6,511	23.0%	6,764	26.7%	8,065	30.7%
Some College	11,140	18.9%	5,343	18.9%	5,634	22.3%	4,577	17.4%
Associate's Degree	4,054	6.9%	1,681	5.9%	1,815	7.2%	2,057	7.8%
Bachelor's Degree	9,264	15.7%	4,728	16.7%	3,288	13.0%	3,735	14.2%
Graduate Degree	8,413	14.3%	5,355	18.9%	2,393	9.5%	2,369	9.0%
Total	58,855	100.0%	28,307	100.0%	25,300	100.0%	26,268	100.0%

Children in Boston by Neighborhood

Children Ages 0-17

Sources: Census 2010 US Census Bureau, BRA Research Division Analysis

Children 0-5 Years Old										
	Total Population	Total Children 0-5	% of Boston's Children 0-5	Children 0-5 as % of Neighborhood Population	Under 1 Year	1 Year	2 years	3 years	4 years	5 years
Boston	617,594	38,089	100.0%	6.2%	7,219	6,630	6,536	6,081	5,954	5,669
Allston	29,196	725	1.9%	2.5%	155	150	122	110	105	83
Back Bay	18,088	619	1.6%	3.4%	170	118	115	84	79	53
Bay Village	1,312	29	0.1%	2.2%	13	5	4	4	1	2
Beacon Hill	9,023	350	0.9%	3.9%	85	70	49	55	33	58
Brighton	45,801	1,699	4.5%	3.7%	395	326	295	255	245	183
Charlestown	16,439	1,246	3.3%	7.6%	305	227	186	196	180	152
Chinatown	4,444	189	0.5%	4.3%	42	24	36	25	33	29
Dorchester	114,235	9,481	24.9%	8.3%	1,629	1,546	1,641	1,521	1,580	1,564
Downtown	9,872	253	0.7%	2.6%	58	49	43	36	40	27
East Boston	40,508	3,653	9.6%	9.0%	660	586	639	605	601	562
Fenway	33,796	325	0.9%	1.0%	83	72	58	45	38	29
Harbor Islands	535	4	0.0%	0.7%	3	0	1	0	0	0
Hyde Park	30,637	2,182	5.7%	7.1%	359	386	334	352	361	390
Jamaica Plain	37,468	2,580	6.8%	6.9%	536	489	444	407	372	332
Leather District	639	35	0.1%	5.5%	15	5	10	2	1	2
Longwood Medical Area	3,785	21	0.1%	0.6%	7	8	2	2	1	1
Mattapan	22,600	1,711	4.5%	7.6%	251	299	308	288	289	276
Mission Hill	16,305	617	1.6%	3.8%	103	105	102	102	106	99
North End	10,131	239	0.6%	2.4%	51	47	42	45	22	32
Roslindale	28,680	2,294	6.0%	8.0%	410	376	403	372	368	365
Roxbury	48,454	3,998	10.5%	8.3%	662	654	717	679	661	625
South Boston	33,311	1,685	4.4%	5.1%	351	320	257	272	250	235
South Boston Waterfront	1,889	48	0.1%	2.5%	16	21	2	4	2	3
South End	24,577	1,389	3.6%	5.7%	344	259	254	185	170	177
West End	5,423	208	0.5%	3.8%	60	38	44	24	23	19
West Roxbury	30,446	2,509	6.6%	8.2%	456	450	428	411	393	371

Children 6-11 Years Old

	Total Population	Total Children 6-11	% of Boston's Children 6-11	Children 6-11 as % of Neighborhood Population	6 years	7 years	8 years	9 years	10 years	11 years
Boston	617,594	31,701	100.0%	5.1%	5,356	5,359	5,128	5,311	5,289	5,258
Allston	29,196	401	1.3%	1.4%	80	55	70	74	62	60
Back Bay	18,088	231	0.7%	1.3%	56	37	30	29	27	52
Bay Village	1,312	15	0.0%	1.1%	0	2	2	2	7	2
Beacon Hill	9,023	199	0.6%	2.2%	36	41	32	34	28	28
Brighton	45,801	1,061	3.3%	2.3%	194	194	155	185	163	170
Charlestown	16,439	792	2.5%	4.8%	147	155	129	129	112	120
Chinatown	4,444	147	0.5%	3.3%	23	19	29	25	29	22
Dorchester	114,235	9,119	28.8%	8.0%	1,476	1,553	1,524	1,509	1,527	1,530
Downtown	9,872	96	0.3%	1.0%	30	15	11	19	14	7
East Boston	40,508	2,784	8.8%	6.9%	491	486	433	491	424	459
Fenway	33,796	162	0.5%	0.5%	30	25	26	20	45	16
Harbor Islands	535	1	0.0%	0.2%	0	0	0	0	1	0
Hyde Park	30,637	2,311	7.3%	7.5%	350	367	374	390	414	416
Jamaica Plain	37,468	1,881	5.9%	5.0%	329	341	305	296	291	319
Leather District	639	7	0.0%	1.1%	2	2	0	1	1	1
Longwood Medical Area	3,785	2	0.0%	0.1%	0	0	0	1	0	1
Mattapan	22,600	1,751	5.5%	7.7%	286	293	260	311	306	295
Mission Hill	16,305	597	1.9%	3.7%	98	101	79	100	100	119
North End	10,131	134	0.4%	1.3%	27	21	28	20	24	14
Roslindale	28,680	1,960	6.2%	6.8%	327	308	306	332	337	350
Roxbury	48,454	3,784	11.9%	7.8%	631	619	605	649	644	636
South Boston	33,311	1,335	4.2%	4.0%	218	222	230	229	226	210
South Boston Waterfront	1,889	15	0.0%	0.8%	5	2	2	1	1	4
South End	24,577	871	2.7%	3.5%	139	177	137	132	139	147
West End	5,423	76	0.2%	1.4%	21	16	12	13	10	4
West Roxbury	30,446	1,969	6.2%	6.5%	360	308	349	319	357	276

Children 12-17 Years Old

	Total Population	Total Children 12-17	% of Boston's Children 12-17	Children 12-17 as % of Neighborhood Population	12 years	13 years	14 years	15 years	16 years	17 years
Boston	617,594	33,920	100.0%	5.5%	5,319	5,174	5,483	5,731	5,837	6,376
Allston	29,196	456	1.3%	1.6%	62	69	69	77	76	103
Back Bay	18,088	168	0.5%	0.9%	26	26	32	22	26	36
Bay Village	1,312	16	0.0%	1.2%	0	2	3	3	5	3
Beacon Hill	9,023	127	0.4%	1.4%	17	27	25	18	18	22
Brighton	45,801	1,088	3.2%	2.4%	167	164	166	205	172	214
Charlestown	16,439	647	1.9%	3.9%	94	136	117	109	102	89
Chinatown	4,444	226	0.7%	5.1%	38	38	30	36	45	39
Dorchester	114,235	10,227	30.2%	9.0%	1,597	1,495	1,680	1,751	1,794	1,910
Downtown	9,872	73	0.2%	0.7%	9	7	16	3	14	24
East Boston	40,508	2,588	7.6%	6.4%	366	405	421	461	450	485
Fenway	33,796	192	0.6%	0.6%	20	27	24	23	31	67
Harbor Islands	535	0	0.0%	0.0%	0	0	0	0	0	0
Hyde Park	30,637	2,693	7.9%	8.8%	425	432	423	439	478	496
Jamaica Plain	37,468	1,866	5.5%	5.0%	320	268	310	366	289	313
Leather District	639	6	0.0%	0.9%	0	0	3	2	0	1
Longwood Medical Area	3,785	33	0.1%	0.9%	0	2	1	1	12	17
Mattapan	22,600	2,090	6.2%	9.2%	299	325	343	352	394	377
Mission Hill	16,305	721	2.1%	4.4%	110	115	108	113	130	145
North End	10,131	91	0.3%	0.9%	18	13	20	15	15	10
Roslindale	28,680	2,156	6.4%	7.5%	375	345	327	312	368	429
Roxbury	48,454	4,260	12.6%	8.8%	653	633	709	714	740	811
South Boston	33,311	1,433	4.2%	4.3%	238	194	234	251	231	285
South Boston Waterfront	1,889	9	0.0%	0.5%	2	4	2	0	0	1
South End	24,577	845	2.5%	3.4%	137	147	135	131	148	147
West End	5,423	61	0.2%	1.1%	3	7	10	6	9	26
West Roxbury	30,446	1,848	5.4%	6.1%	343	293	275	321	290	326

Children 0-17

	Total Population	Total Children 0-17	% of Boston's Children 0-17	Children 0-17 as % of Neighborhood Population
Boston	617,594	103,710	100.0%	16.8%
Allston	29,196	1,582	1.5%	5.4%
Back Bay	18,088	1,018	1.0%	5.6%
Bay Village	1,312	60	0.1%	4.6%
Beacon Hill	9,023	676	0.7%	7.5%
Brighton	45,801	3,848	3.7%	8.4%
Charlestown	16,439	2,685	2.6%	16.3%
Chinatown	4,444	562	0.5%	12.6%
Dorchester	114,235	28,827	27.8%	25.2%
Downtown	11,215	422	0.4%	3.8%
East Boston	40,508	9,025	8.7%	22.3%
Fenway	33,796	679	0.7%	2.0%
Harbor Islands	535	5	0.0%	0.9%
Hyde Park	30,637	7,186	6.9%	23.5%
Jamaica Plain	37,468	6,327	6.1%	16.9%
Leather District	639	48	0.0%	7.5%
Longwood Medical Area	3,785	56	0.1%	1.5%
Mattapan	22,600	5,552	5.4%	24.6%
Mission Hill	16,305	1,935	1.9%	11.9%
North End	10,131	464	0.4%	4.6%
Roslindale	28,680	6,410	6.2%	22.4%
Roxbury	48,454	12,042	11.6%	24.9%
South Boston	33,311	4,453	4.3%	13.4%
South Boston Waterfront	1,889	72	0.1%	3.8%
South End	24,577	3,105	3.0%	12.6%
West End	4,080	345	0.3%	8.5%
West Roxbury	30,446	6,326	6.1%	20.8%

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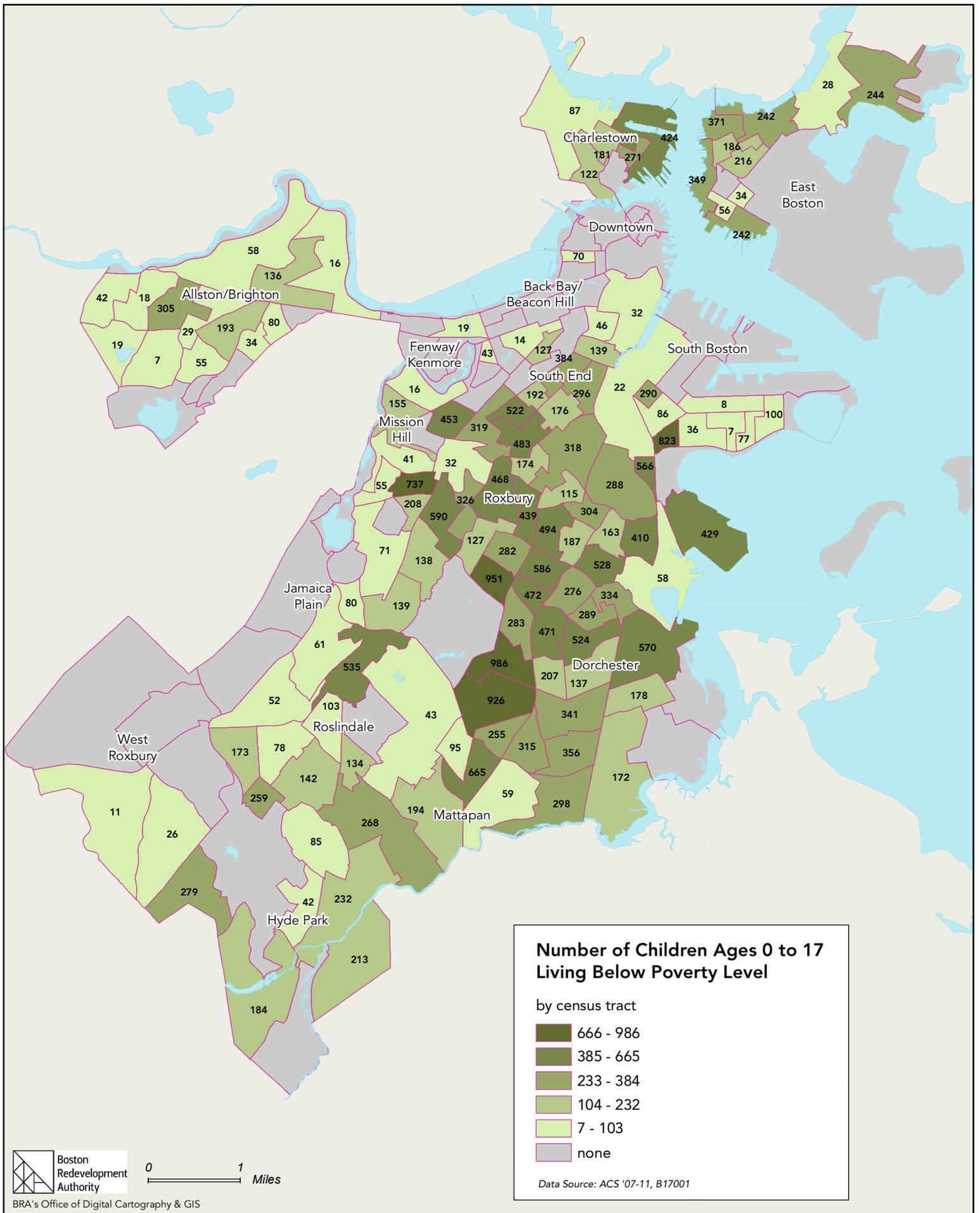
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Children Living Below the Poverty Level



Number of Children Ages 0 to 17 Living Below Poverty Level

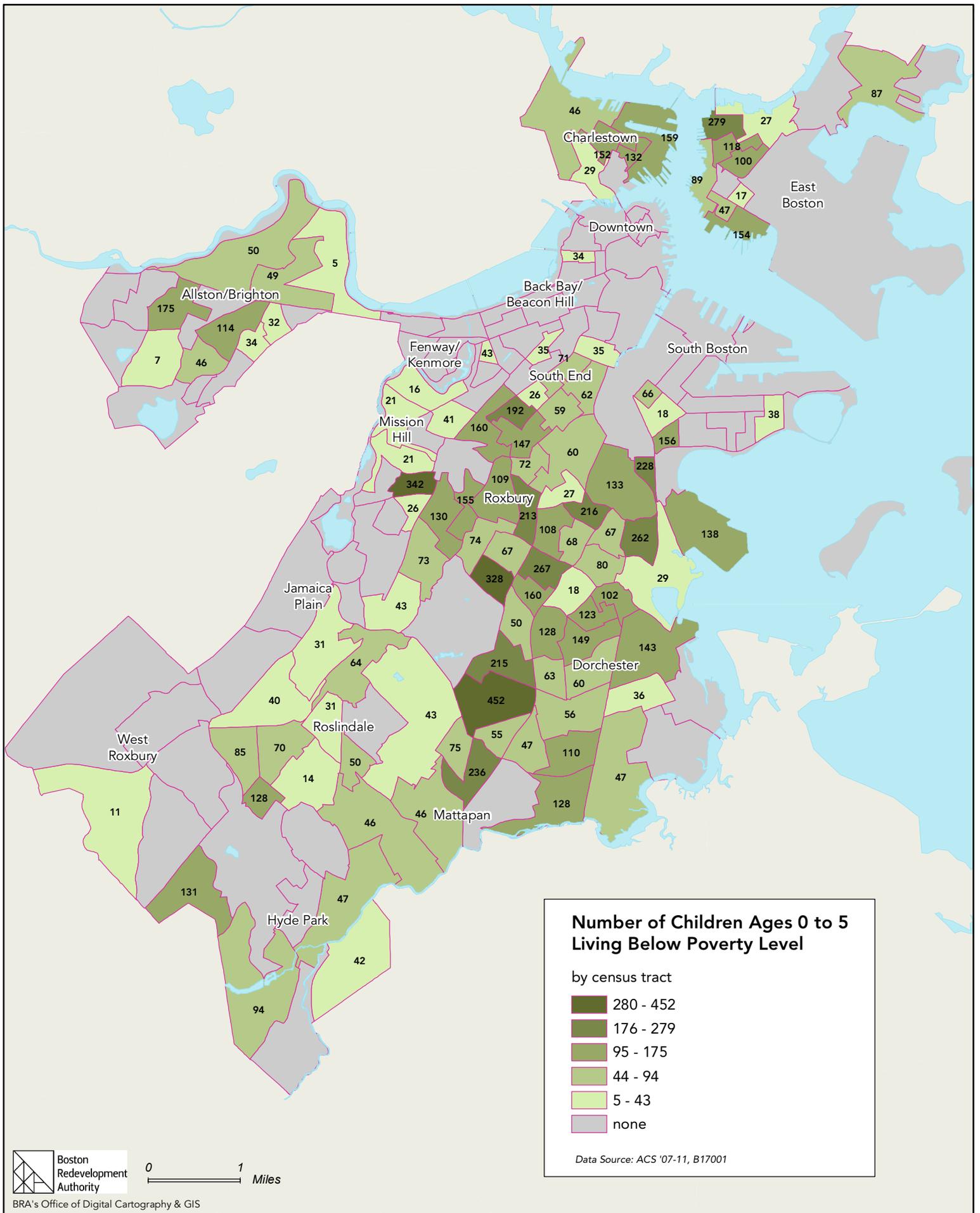
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- 666 - 986
- 385 - 665
- 233 - 384
- 104 - 232
- 7 - 103
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Data Source: ACS '07-11, B17001



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Number of Children Ages 0 to 5 Living Below Poverty Level

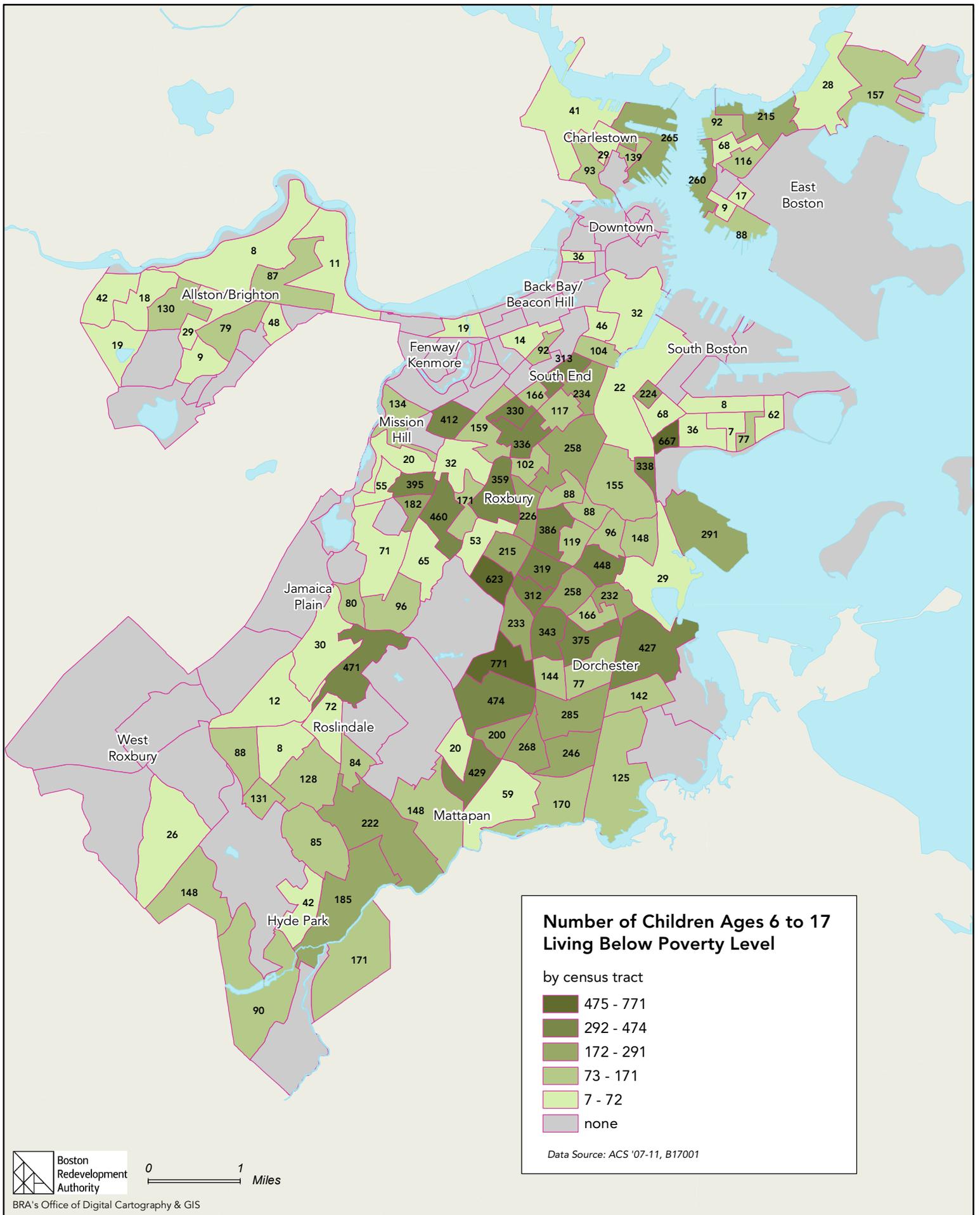
by census tract

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- 176 - 279
- 95 - 175
- 44 - 94
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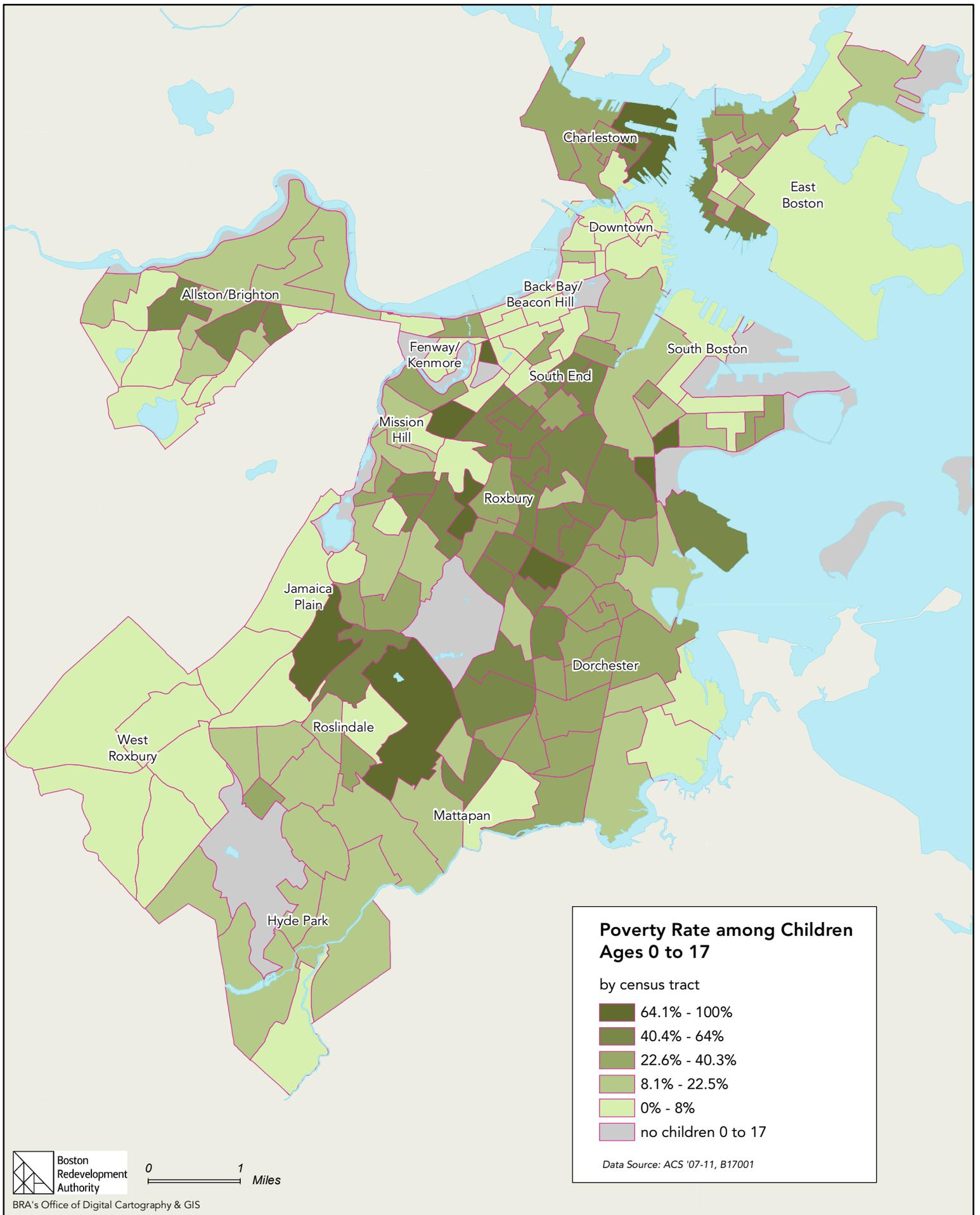


Number of Children Ages 6 to 17 Living Below Poverty Level

by census tract

- 475 - 771
- 292 - 474
- 172 - 291
- 73 - 171
- 7 - 72
- none

Data Source: ACS '07-11, B17001



**Poverty Rate among Children
Ages 0 to 17**

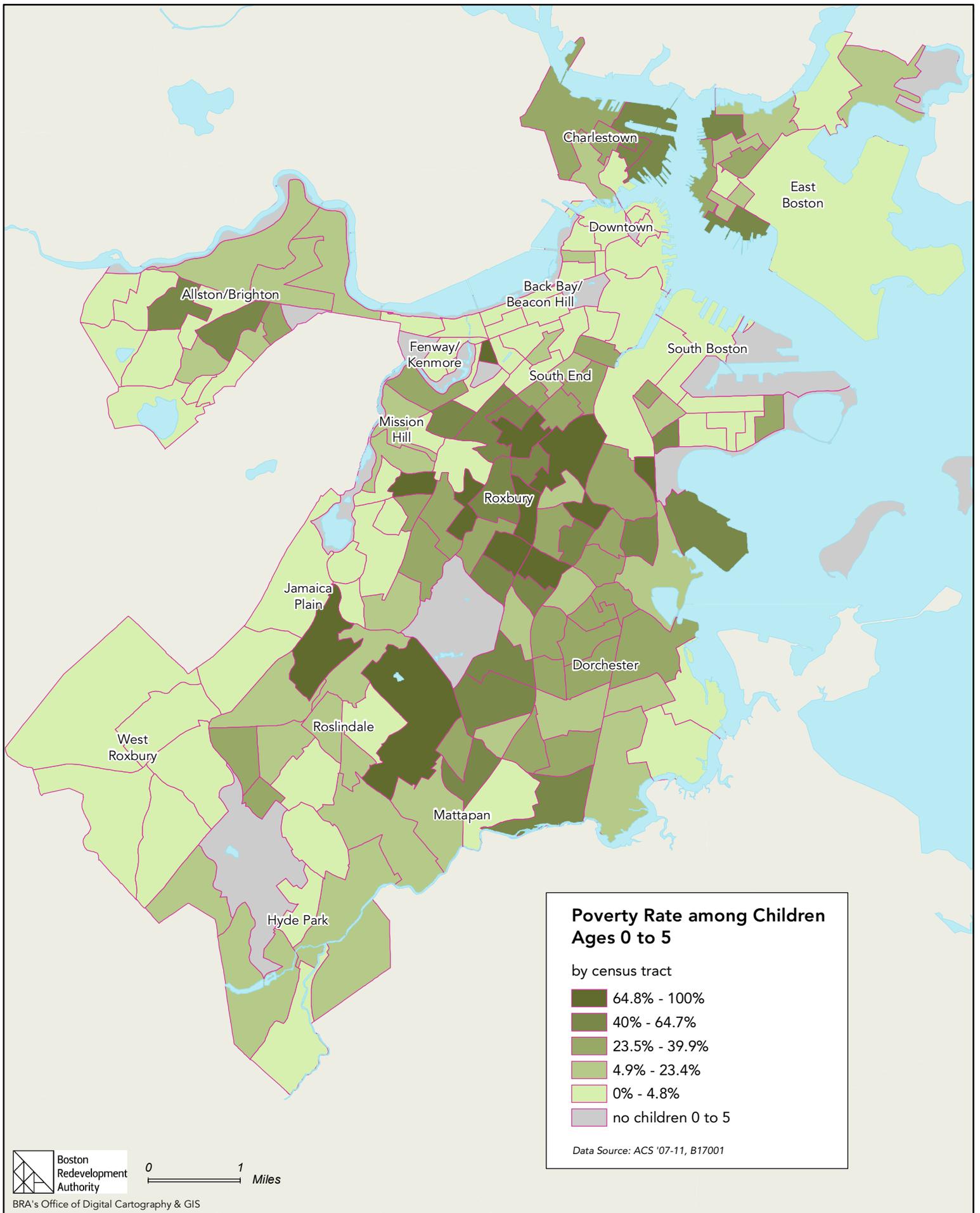
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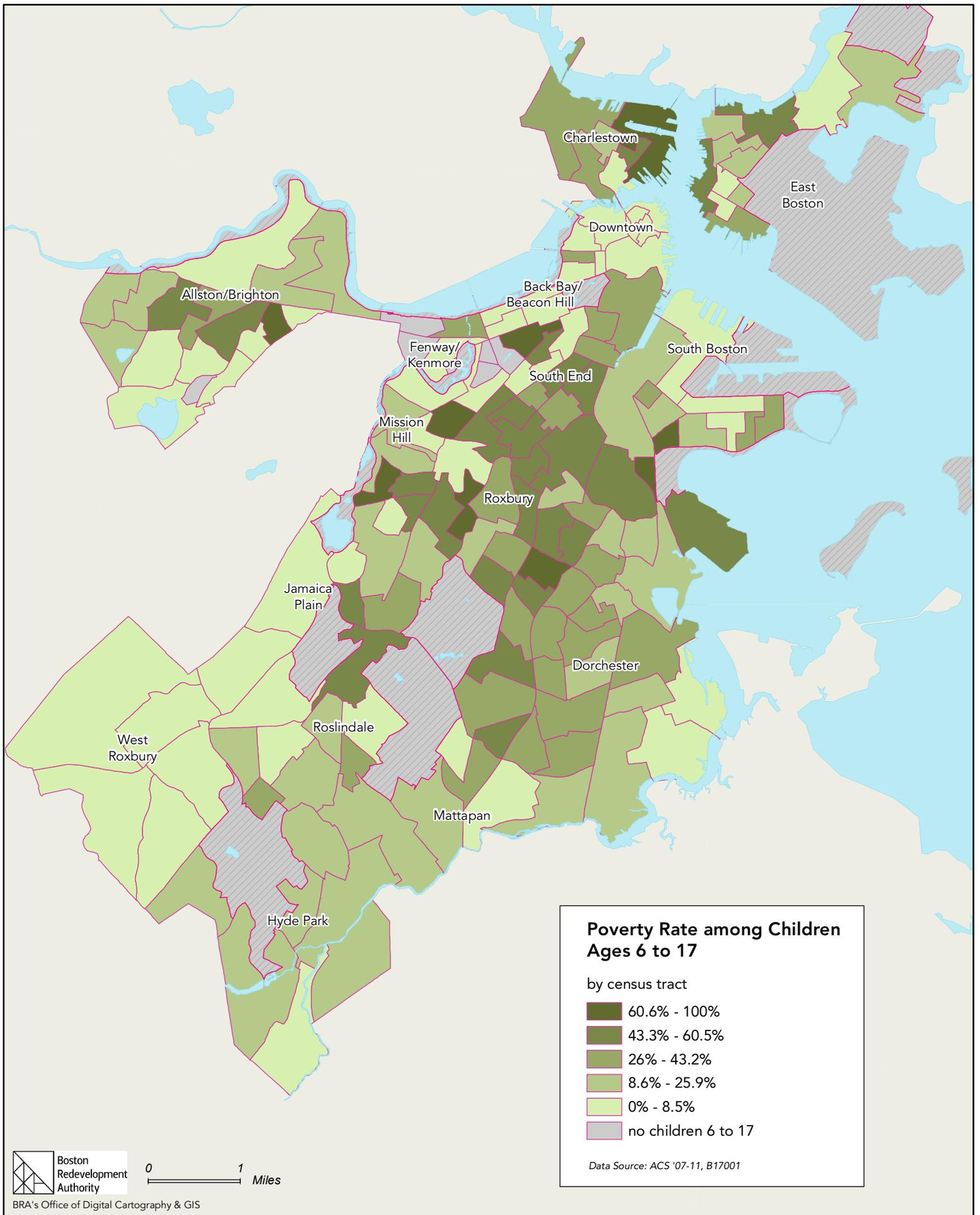
- 64.1% - 100%
- 40.4% - 64%
- 22.6% - 40.3%
- 8.1% - 22.5%
- 0% - 8%
- no children 0 to 17

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**Poverty Rate among Children
Ages 6 to 17**

by census tract

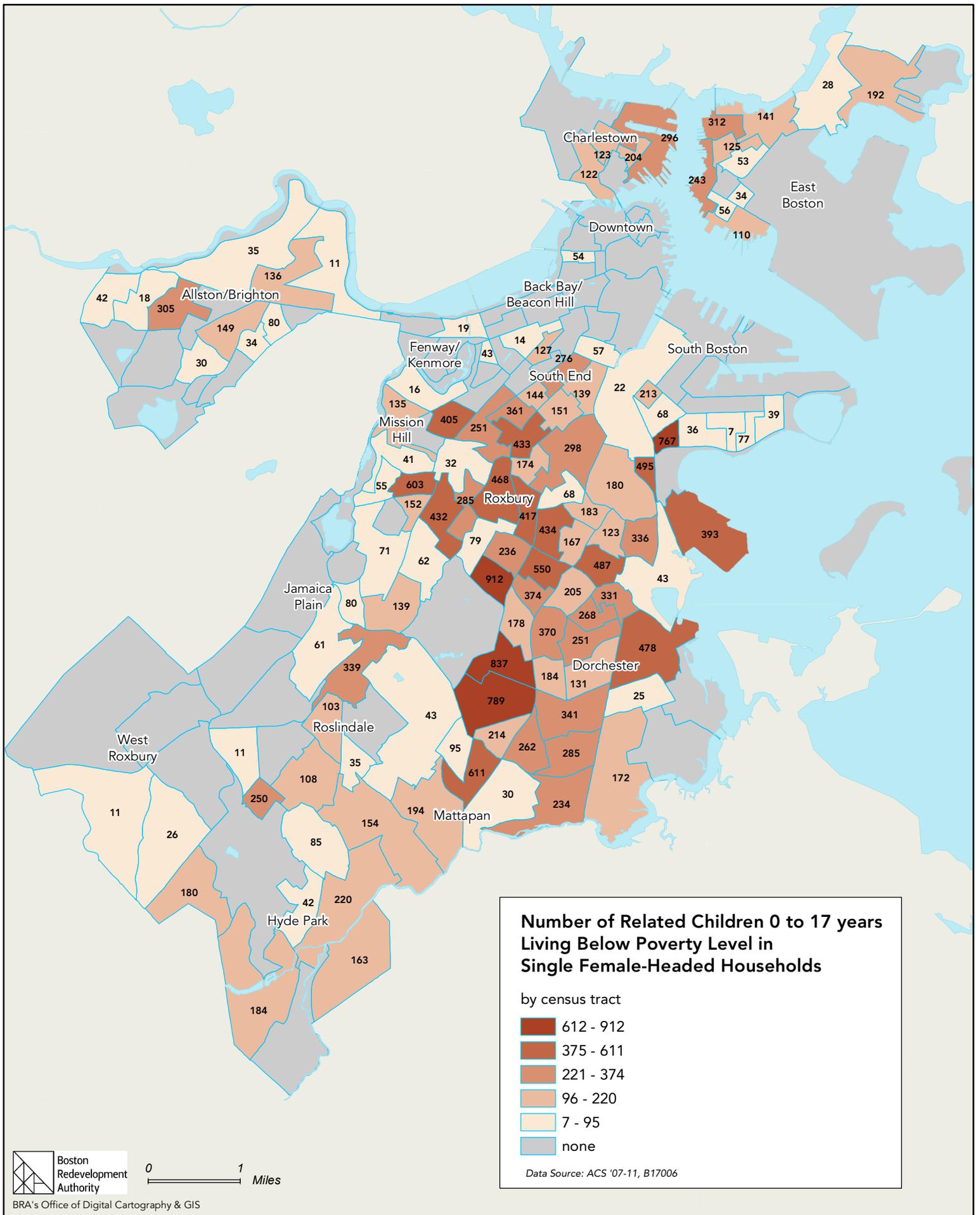
- 60.6% - 100%
- 43.3% - 60.5%
- 26% - 43.2%
- 8.6% - 25.9%
- 0% - 8.5%
- no children 6 to 17

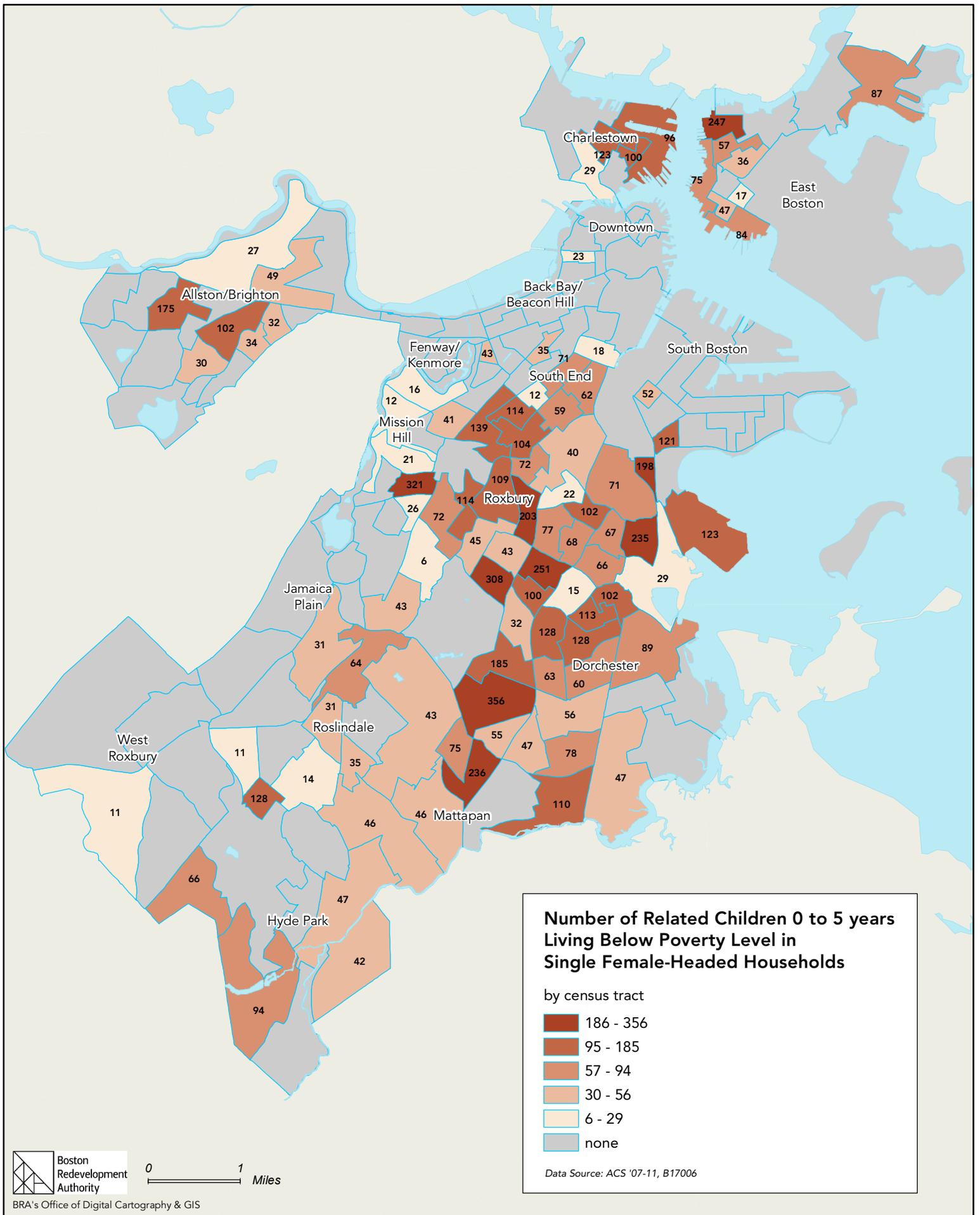
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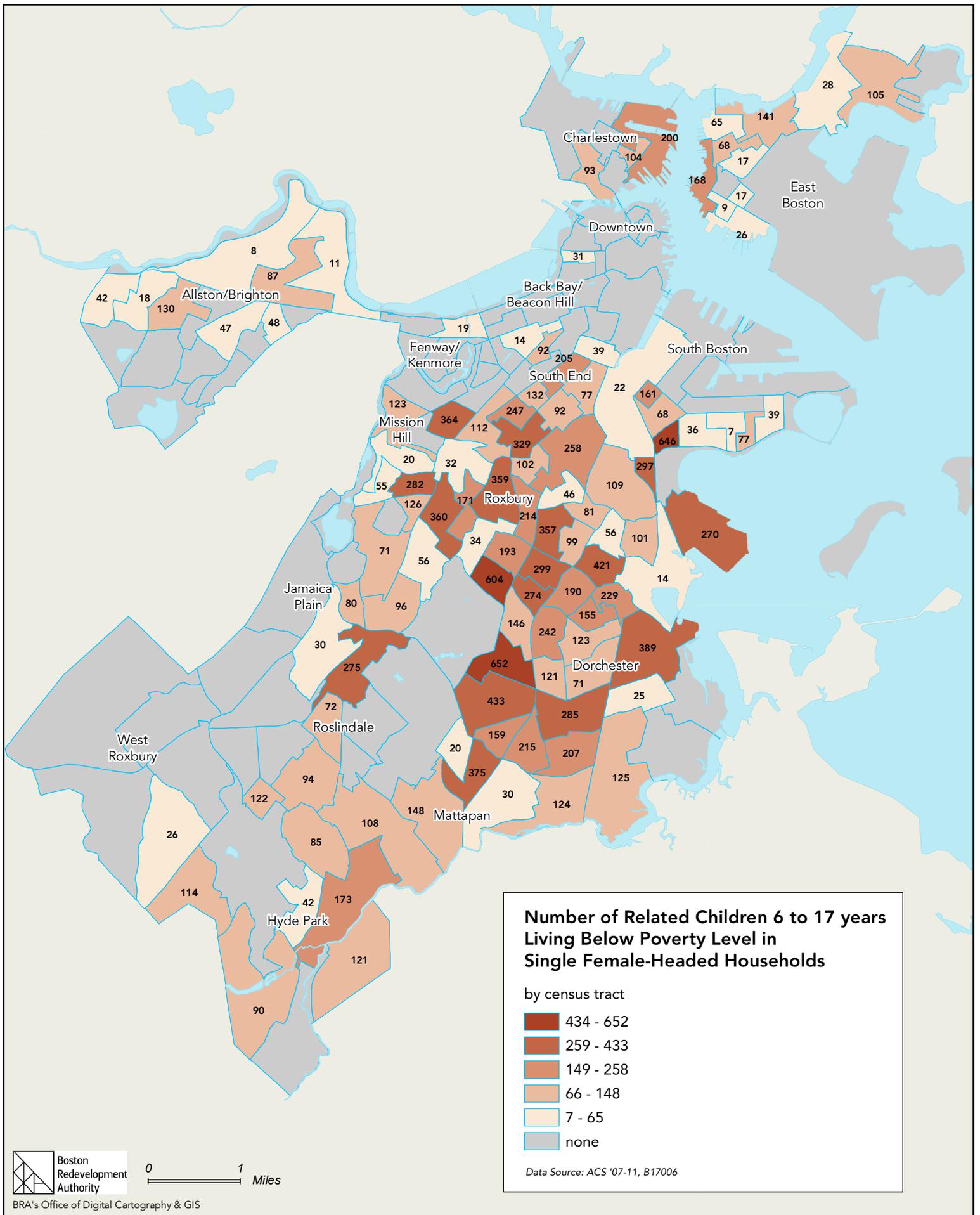


Number of Related Children 0 to 5 years Living Below Poverty Level in Single Female-Headed Households

by census tract

- 186 - 356
- 95 - 185
- 57 - 94
- 30 - 56
- 6 - 29
- none

Data Source: ACS '07-11, B17006



Number of Related Children 6 to 17 years Living Below Poverty Level in Single Female-Headed Households

by census tract

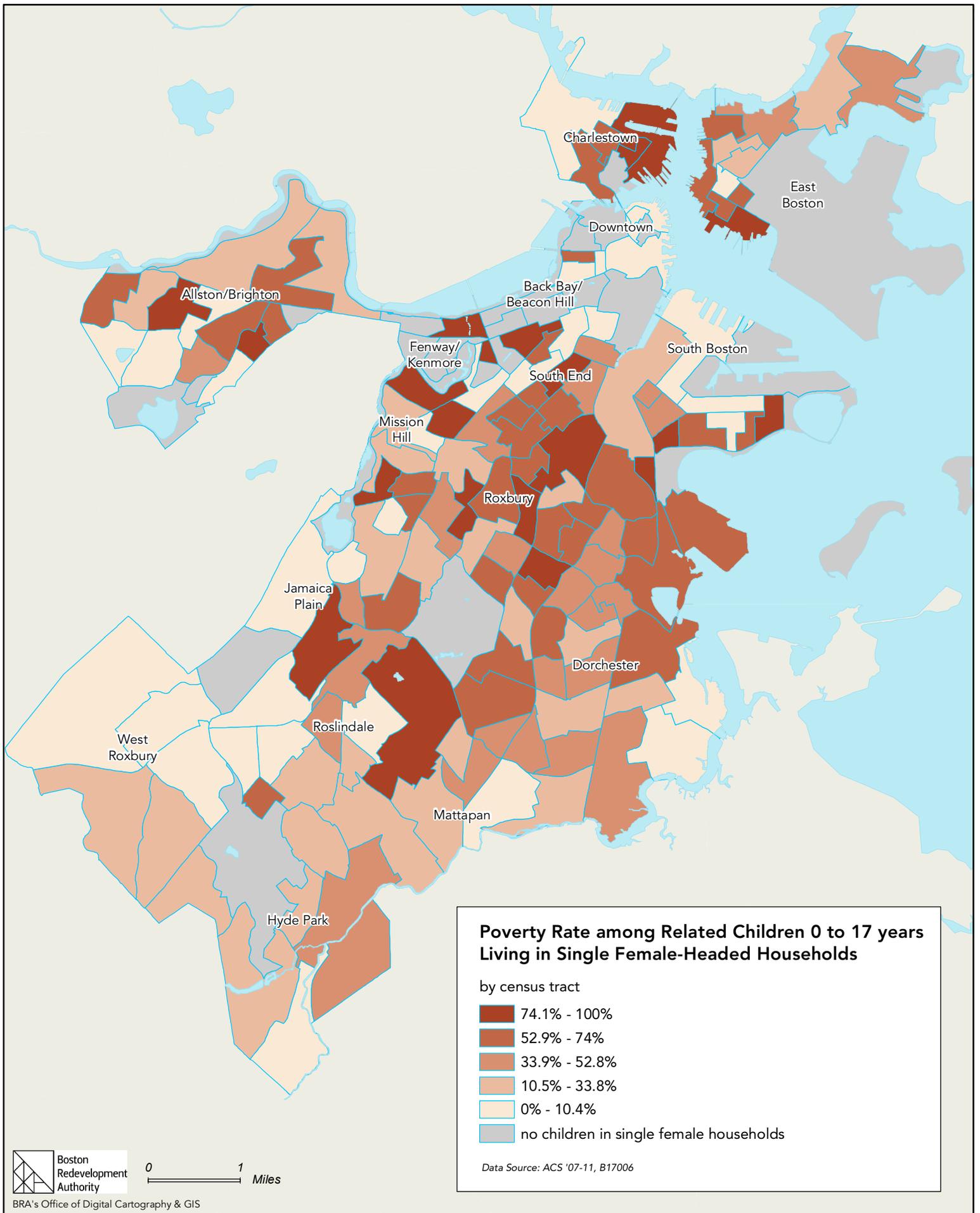
- 434 - 652
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- 66 - 148
- 7 - 65
- none

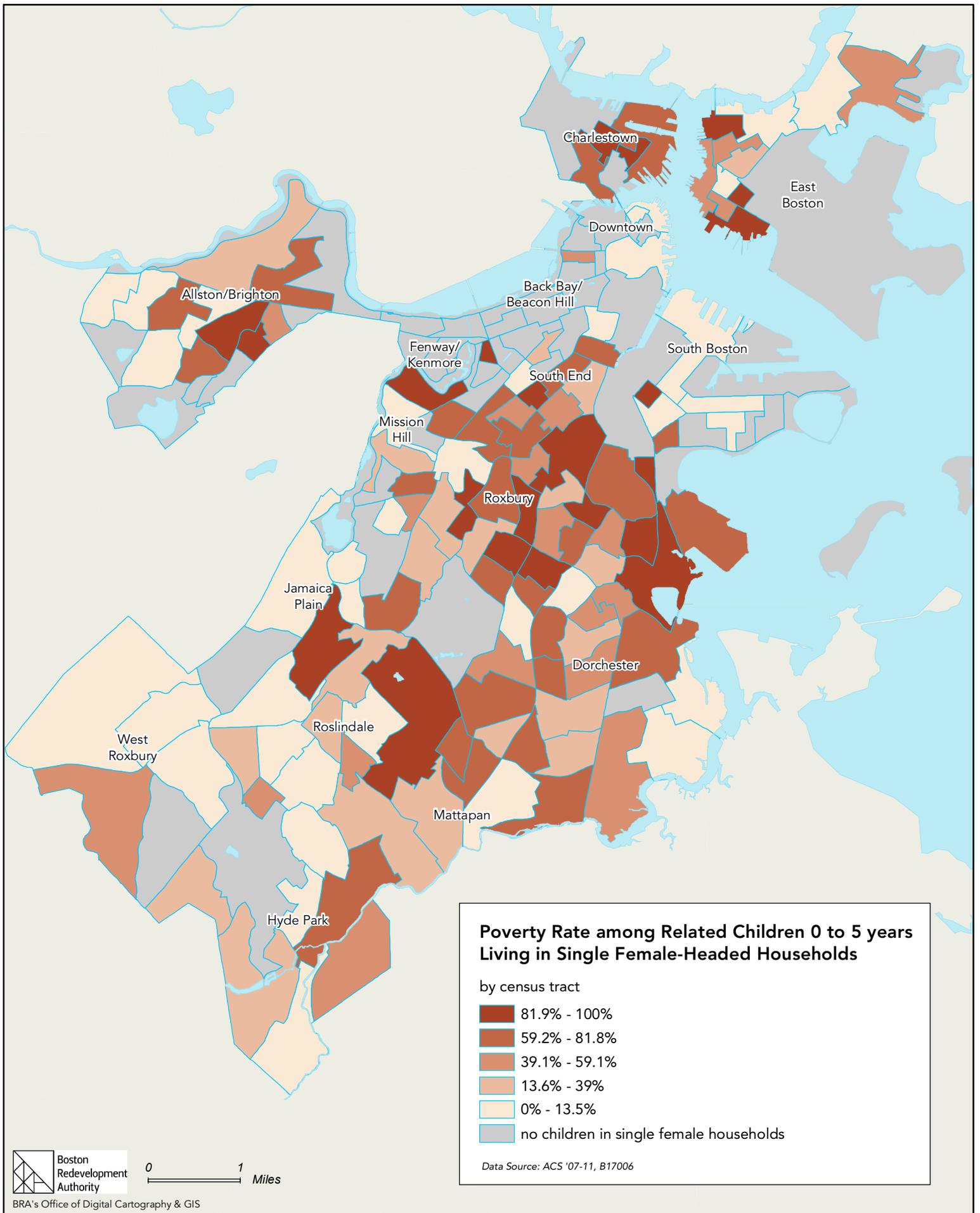
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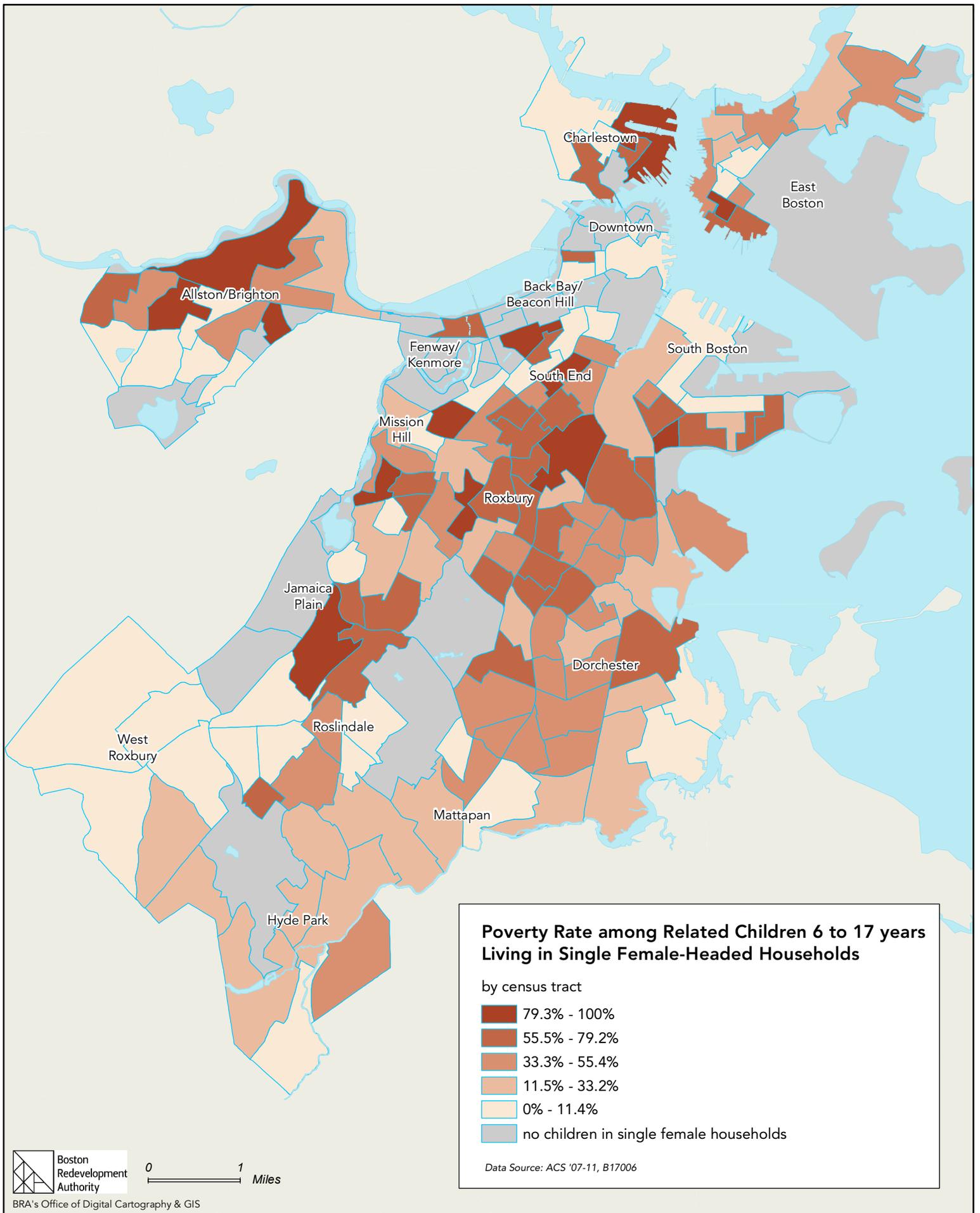
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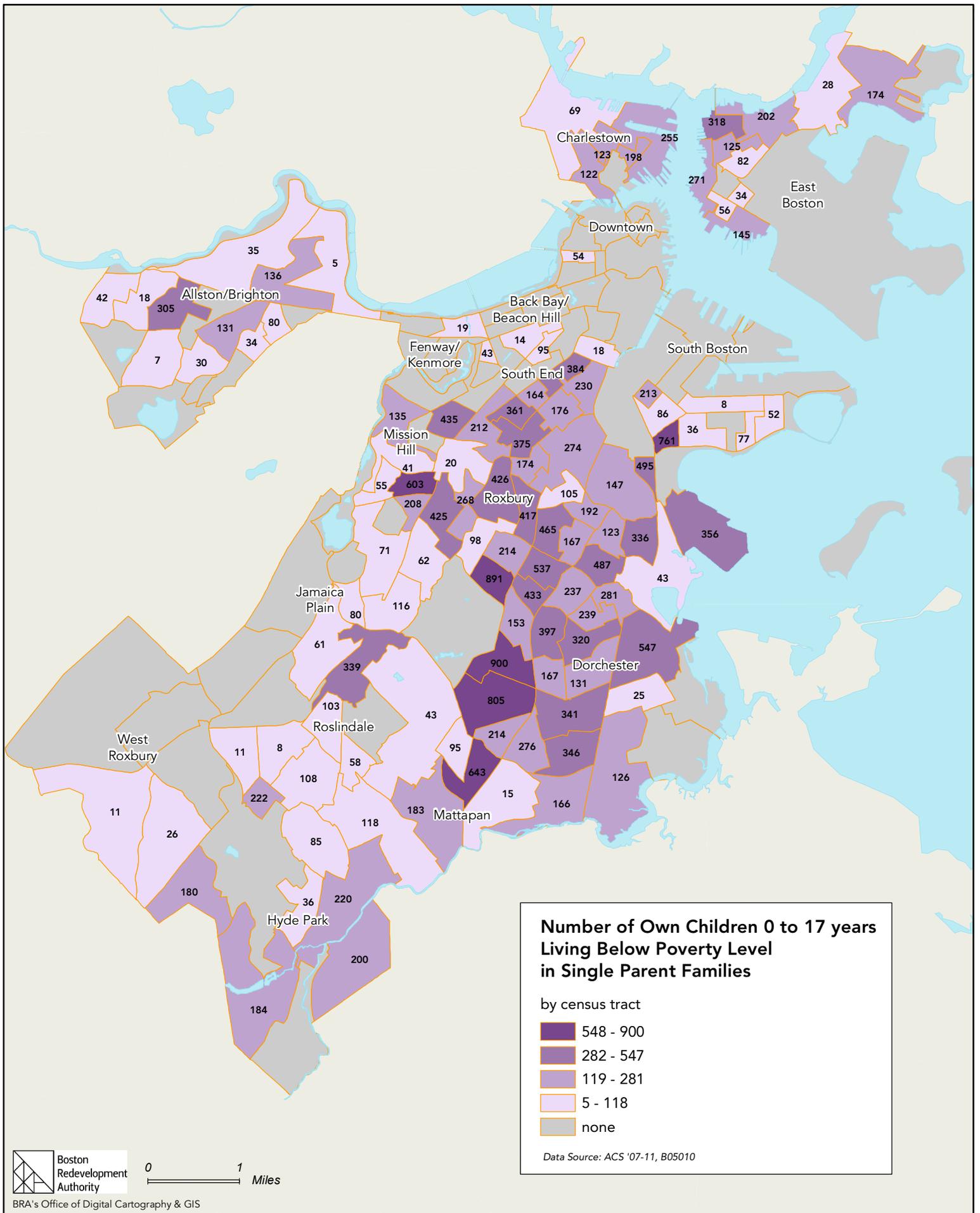
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Own Children Living with One Parent

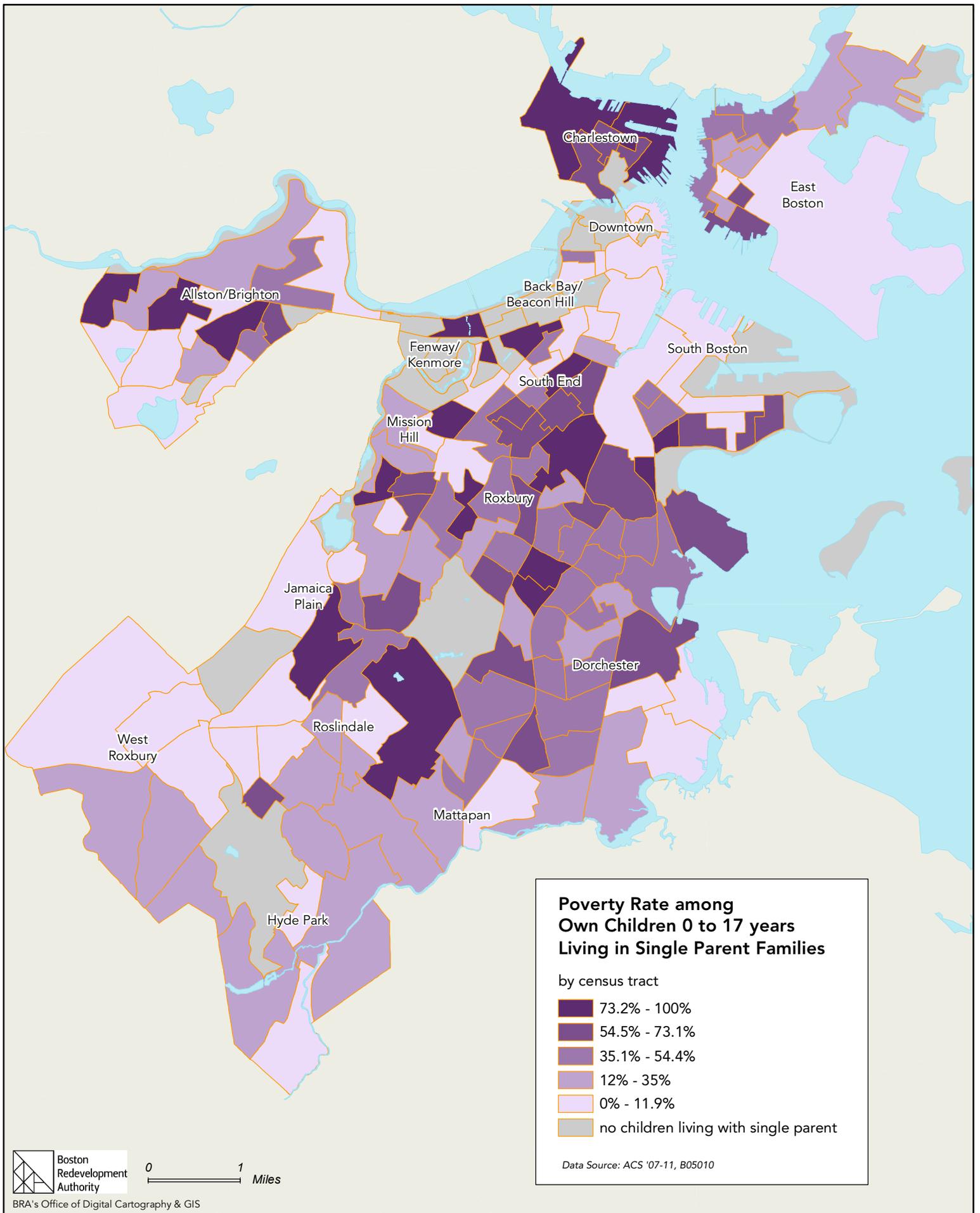


**Number of Own Children 0 to 17 years
Living Below Poverty Level
in Single Parent Families**

by census tract

- 548 - 900
- 282 - 547
- 119 - 281
- 5 - 118
- none

Data Source: ACS '07-11, B051010



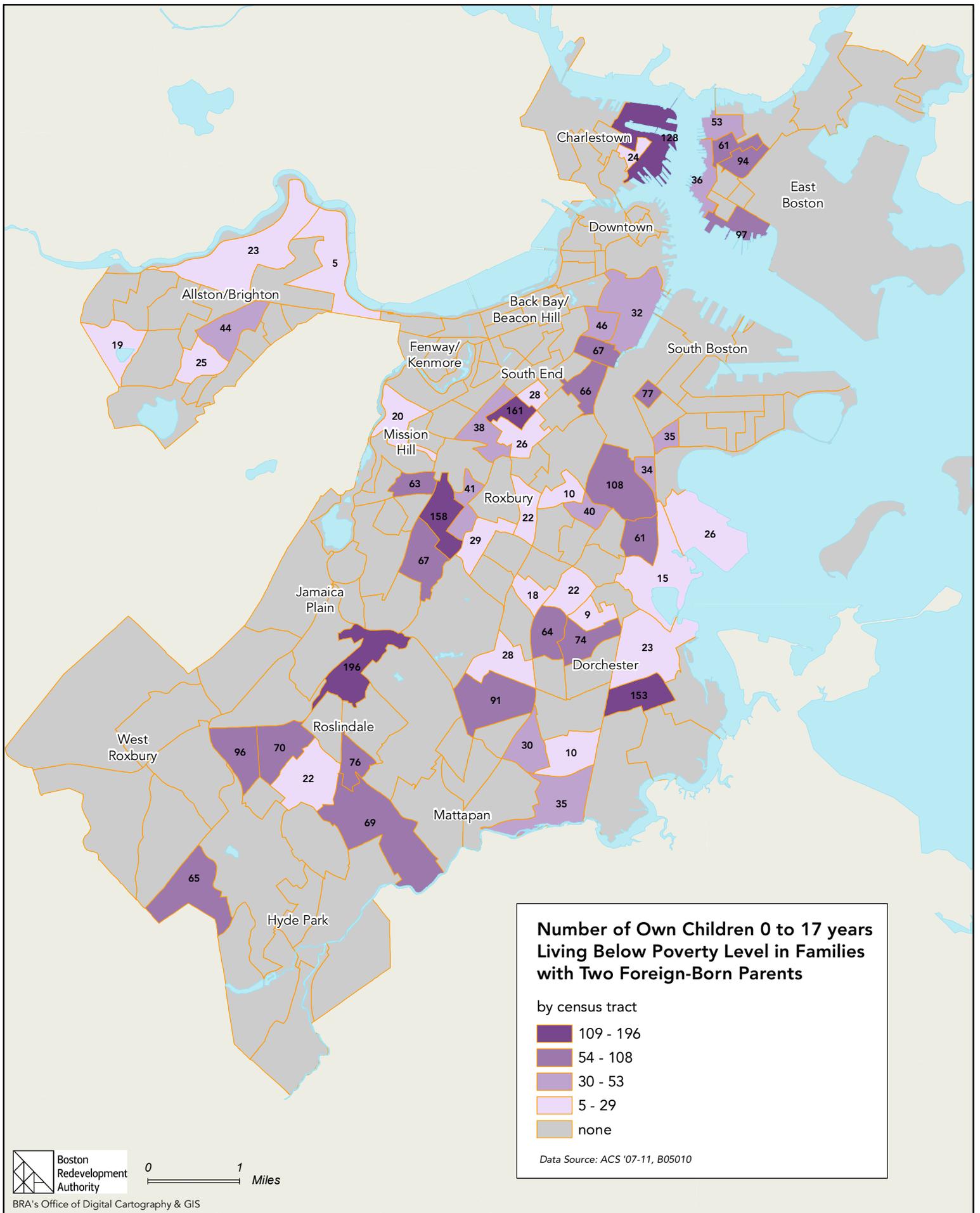
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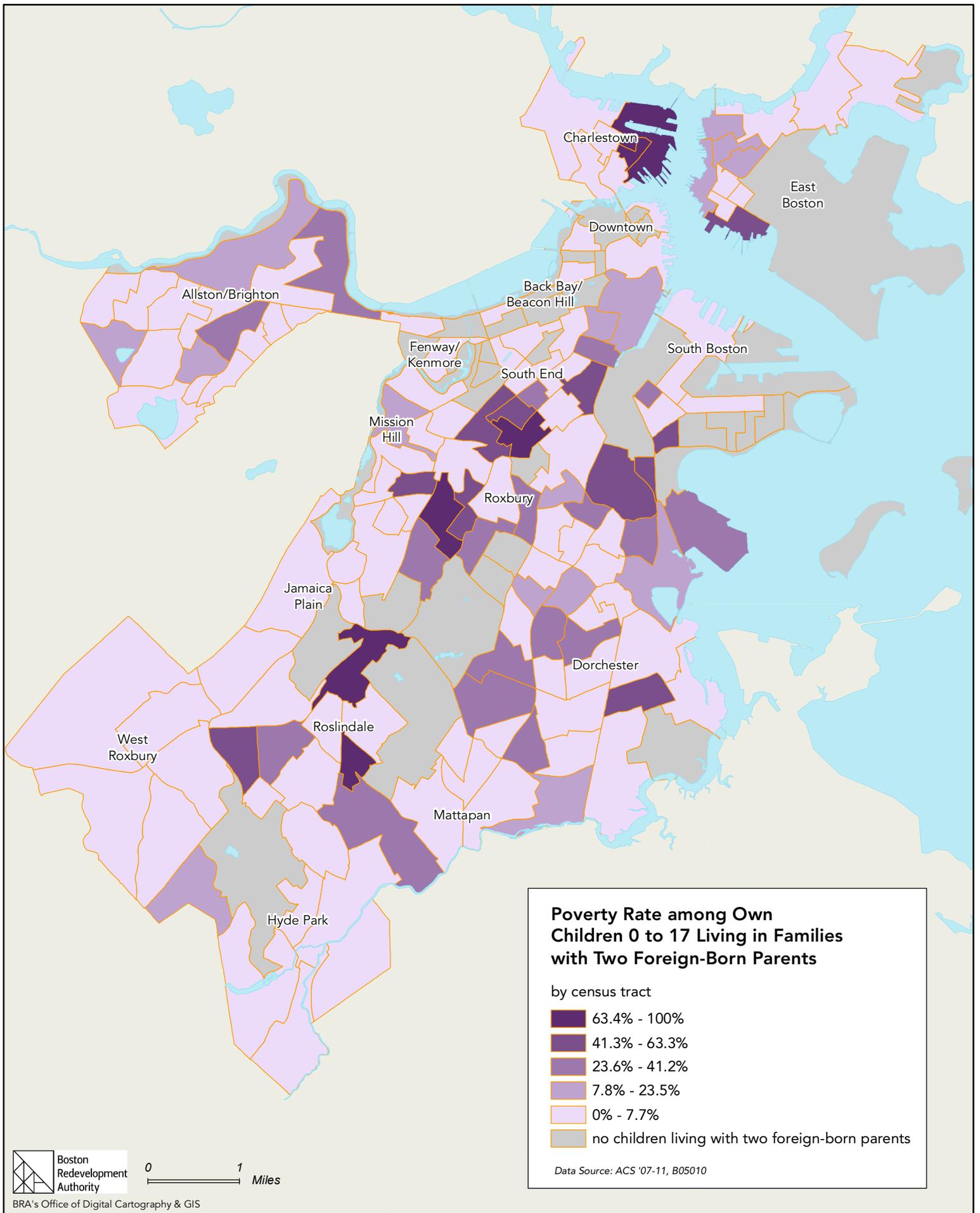
by census tract

- 73.2% - 100%
- 54.5% - 73.1%
- 35.1% - 54.4%
- 12% - 35%
- 0% - 11.9%
- no children living with single parent

Data Source: ACS '07-11, B05010

Own Children Living with Two Foreign Born Parents





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Characteristics of Children in Boston

Children Ages 0-17

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Race and Ethnicity	0-17 Year Olds		0-5 Year Olds		6-11 Year Olds		12-17 Year Olds	
	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%
White	24,602	23.6%	11,104	29.8%	6,781	21.0%	6,717	19.3%
Black or African American	35,988	34.5%	11,122	29.9%	11,203	34.8%	13,663	39.2%
Hispanic	30,550	29.3%	10,261	27.6%	9,724	30.2%	10,565	30.3%
Asian	7,215	6.9%	2,522	6.8%	2,427	7.5%	2,266	6.5%
Some Other Race	2,372	2.3%	593	1.6%	937	2.9%	842	2.4%
Two or More Major Races	3,532	3.4%	1,621	4.4%	1,152	3.6%	759	2.2%
Total	104,259	100.0%	37,223	100.0%	32,224	100.0%	34,812	100.0%

Relationship to Householder	0-17 Year Olds		0-5 Year Olds		6-11 Year Olds		12-17 Year Olds	
	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%
Reference person	56	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	56	0.2%
Son/daughter	91,509	87.8%	32,814	88.2%	28,880	89.6%	29,815	85.6%
Brother/sister	869	0.8%	0	0.0%	346	1.1%	523	1.5%
Grandchild	7,182	6.9%	3,466	9.3%	1,922	6.0%	1,794	5.2%
Other relative	2,631	2.5%	778	2.1%	703	2.2%	1,150	3.3%
Roomer/boarder	61	0.1%	0	0.0%	25	0.1%	36	0.1%
Housemate/roommate	69	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	69	0.2%
Unmarried partner	10	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	10	0.0%
Foster child	288	0.3%	24	0.1%	39	0.1%	225	0.6%
Other Nonrelative	432	0.4%	91	0.2%	209	0.6%	132	0.4%
Institutionalized group quarters population	491	0.5%	0	0.0%	74	0.2%	417	1.2%
Noninstitutionalized group quarters population	661	0.6%	50	0.1%	26	0.1%	585	1.7%
Total	104,259	100.0%	37,223	100.0%	32,224	100.0%	34,812	100.0%

Poverty Level	0-17 Year Olds		0-5 Year Olds		6-11 Year Olds		12-17 Year Olds	
	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%
Below or at Poverty Line	30,095	28.9%	10,026	26.9%	10,321	32.0%	9,748	28.0%
Above to Up to Two Times Above Poverty Line	22,812	21.9%	7,909	21.2%	6,973	21.6%	7,930	22.8%
Two Times to Up to Three Times Above Poverty Line	14,884	14.3%	5,115	13.7%	4,645	14.4%	5,124	14.7%
Three Times to Up to Four Times Above Poverty Line	10,821	10.4%	3,329	8.9%	3,601	11.2%	3,891	11.2%
Four or More Times Above Poverty Line	23,979	23.0%	10,679	28.7%	6,311	19.6%	6,989	20.1%
Missing	1,668	1.6%	165	0.4%	373	1.2%	1,130	3.2%
Total	104,259	100.0%	37,223	100.0%	32,224	100.0%	34,812	100.0%

Poverty Level of Non-White Children	0-17 Year Olds		0-5 Year Olds		6-11 Year Olds		12-17 Year Olds	
	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%
Below or at Poverty Line	27,505	34.5%	8,991	34.4%	9,374	36.8%	9,140	32.5%
Above to Up to Two Times Above Poverty Line	20,664	25.9%	7,000	26.8%	6,350	25.0%	7,314	26.0%
Two Times to Up to Three Times Above Poverty Line	11,993	15.1%	4,075	15.6%	3,795	14.9%	4,123	14.7%
Three Times to Up to Four Times Above Poverty Line	7,415	9.3%	2,058	7.9%	2,454	9.6%	2,903	10.3%
Four or More Times Above Poverty Line	10,866	13.6%	3,830	14.7%	3,124	12.3%	3,912	13.9%
Missing	1,214	1.5%	165	0.6%	346	1.4%	703	2.5%
Total	79,657	100.0%	26,119	100.0%	25,443	100.0%	28,095	100.0%

Nativity	0-17 Year Olds		0-5 Year Olds		6-11 Year Olds		12-17 Year Olds	
	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%
Native Born	95,187	91.3%	36,234	97.3%	29,587	91.8%	29,366	84.4%
Foreign Born	9,072	8.7%	989	2.7%	2,637	8.2%	5,446	15.6%
Total	104,259	100.0%	37,223	100.0%	32,224	100.0%	34,812	100.0%

Nativity of Parents	0-17 Year Olds		0-5 Year Olds		6-11 Year Olds		12-17 Year Olds	
	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%
<u>Two Parent Households</u>								
Both Parents Native	18,143	41.5%	8,764	47.6%	4,671	36.6%	4,708	37.6%
One Parent Foreign Born	7,213	16.5%	3,063	16.6%	2,368	18.5%	1,782	14.2%
Both Parents Foreign Born	18,373	42.0%	6,593	35.8%	5,733	44.9%	6,047	48.2%
Total	43,729	100.0%	18,420	100.0%	12,772	100.0%	12,537	100.0%
<u>One Parent Households</u>								
Parent Native	34,312	63.2%	12,062	67.0%	10,701	60.4%	11,549	62.1%
Parent Foreign Born	20,011	36.8%	5,942	33.0%	7,025	39.6%	7,044	37.9%
Total	54,323	100.0%	18,004	100.0%	17,726	100.0%	18,593	100.0%
<u>All Household Types</u>								
Two Parent Household, Both Parents Native	18,143	18.5%	8,764	24.1%	4,671	15.3%	4,708	15.1%
Two Parent Household, One Parent Foreign Born	7,213	7.4%	3,063	8.4%	2,368	7.8%	1,782	5.7%
Two Parent Household, Both Parents Foreign Born	18,373	18.7%	6,593	18.1%	5,733	18.8%	6,047	19.4%
One Parent Household, Parent Native	34,312	35.0%	12,062	33.1%	10,701	35.1%	11,549	37.1%
One Parent Household, Parent Foreign Born	20,011	20.4%	5,942	16.3%	7,025	23.0%	7,044	22.6%
Total	98,052	100.0%	36,424	100.0%	30,498	100.0%	31,130	100.0%

Grade Level Attending	0-17 Year Olds		0-5 Year Olds		6-11 Year Olds		12-17 Year Olds	
	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%
Not Attending School	26,446	25.4%	24,429	65.6%	639	2.0%	1,378	4.0%
Nursery School/preschool	7,865	7.5%	7,773	20.9%	92	0.3%	0	0.0%
Kindergarten	7,672	7.4%	4,816	12.9%	2,856	8.9%	0	0.0%
Grade 1 to 4	21,553	20.7%	205	0.6%	21,317	66.2%	31	0.1%
Grade 5 to 8	22,006	21.1%	0	0.0%	7,320	22.7%	14,686	42.2%
Grade 9 to grade 12	17,975	17.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	17,975	51.6%
College undergraduate	742	0.7%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	742	2.1%
Total	104,259	100.0%	37,223	100.0%	32,224	100.0%	34,812	100.0%

Race and Ethnicity of Children Enrolled In School	0-17 Year Olds		0-5 Year Olds		6-11 Year Olds		12-17 Year Olds	
	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%
White	16,690	21.4%	3,631	28.4%	6,645	21.0%	6,414	19.2%
Black or African American	28,443	36.6%	4,335	33.9%	10,956	34.7%	13,152	39.3%
Hispanic	23,075	29.7%	3,405	26.6%	9,539	30.2%	10,131	30.3%
Asian	5,331	6.9%	752	5.9%	2,398	7.6%	2,181	6.5%
Some Other Race	1,945	2.5%	166	1.3%	937	3.0%	842	2.5%
Two or More Major Races	2,329	3.0%	505	3.9%	1,110	3.5%	714	2.1%
Total	77,813	100.0%	12,794	100.0%	31,585	100.0%	33,434	100.0%

Race and Ethnicity of Children In Public School	0-17 Year Olds		0-5 Year Olds		6-11 Year Olds		12-17 Year Olds	
	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%
White	8,604	14.1%	1,338	16.2%	3,298	12.8%	3,968	14.6%
Black or African American	24,331	39.8%	3,470	42.0%	9,788	38.1%	11,073	40.8%
Hispanic	20,379	33.4%	2,653	32.1%	8,816	34.3%	8,910	32.8%
Asian	4,509	7.4%	519	6.3%	1,996	7.8%	1,994	7.4%
Some Other Race	1,743	2.9%	110	1.3%	884	3.4%	749	2.8%
Two or More Major Races	1,533	2.5%	165	2.0%	938	3.6%	430	1.6%
Total	61,099	100.0%	8,255	100.0%	25,720	100.0%	27,124	100.0%

Race and Ethnicity of Children In Private School	0-17 Year Olds		0-5 Year Olds		6-11 Year Olds		12-17 Year Olds	
	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%
White	8,086	48.4%	2,293	50.5%	3,347	57.1%	2,446	38.8%
Black or African American	4,112	24.6%	865	19.1%	1,168	19.9%	2,079	32.9%
Hispanic	2,696	16.1%	752	16.6%	723	12.3%	1,221	19.4%
Asian	822	4.9%	233	5.1%	402	6.9%	187	3.0%
Some Other Race	202	1.2%	56	1.2%	53	0.9%	93	1.5%
Two or More Major Races	796	4.8%	340	7.5%	172	2.9%	284	4.5%
Total	16,714	100.0%	4,539	100.0%	5,865	100.0%	6,310	100.0%

Poverty Level of Children in Public School	0-17 Year Olds		0-5 Year Olds		6-11 Year Olds		12-17 Year Olds	
	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%
Below or at Poverty Line	21,185	34.7%	3,374	40.9%	9,538	37.1%	8,273	30.5%
Above to Up to Two Times Above Poverty Line	14,880	24.4%	1,967	23.8%	6,228	24.2%	6,685	24.6%
Two Times to Up to Three Times Above Poverty Line	9,214	15.1%	1,088	13.2%	3,890	15.1%	4,236	15.6%
Three Times to Up to Four Times Above Poverty Line	6,260	10.2%	795	9.6%	2,555	9.9%	2,910	10.7%
Four or More Times Above Poverty Line	8,804	14.4%	996	12.1%	3,220	12.5%	4,588	16.9%
Missing	756	1.2%	35	0.4%	289	1.1%	432	1.6%
Total	61,099	100.0%	8,255	100.0%	25,720	100.0%	27,124	100.0%

Poverty Level of Children in Private School	0-17 Year Olds		0-5 Year Olds		6-11 Year Olds		12-17 Year Olds	
	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%
Below or at Poverty Line	1,877	11.2%	334	7.4%	579	9.9%	964	15.3%
Above to Up to Two Times Above Poverty Line	2,364	14.1%	927	20.4%	632	10.8%	805	12.8%
Two Times to Up to Three Times Above Poverty Line	2,049	12.3%	506	11.1%	746	12.7%	797	12.6%
Three Times to Up to Four Times Above Poverty Line	2,067	12.4%	360	7.9%	912	15.5%	795	12.6%
Four or More Times Above Poverty Line	7,662	45.8%	2,412	53.1%	2,948	50.3%	2,302	36.5%
Missing	695	4.2%	0	0.0%	48	0.8%	647	10.3%
Total	16,714	100.0%	4,539	100.0%	5,865	100.0%	6,310	100.0%

Employment Status of Parents	0-17 Year Olds		0-5 Year Olds		6-11 Year Olds		12-17 Year Olds	
	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%
<u>Living with Both Parents</u>								
Both parents in labor force	30,686	70.2%	12,913	70.1%	9,003	70.5%	8,770	70.0%
Father only in labor force	10,150	23.2%	4,688	25.5%	2,970	23.3%	2,492	19.9%
Mother only in labor force	2,204	5.0%	544	3.0%	699	5.5%	961	7.7%
Neither parent in labor force	689	1.6%	275	1.5%	100	0.8%	314	2.5%
Total	43,729	100.0%	18,420	100.0%	12,772	100.0%	12,537	100.0%
<u>Living with One Parent</u>								
Father in the labor force	6,213	11.4%	1,915	10.6%	1,974	11.1%	2,324	12.5%
Father not in labor force	798	1.5%	202	1.1%	318	1.8%	278	1.5%
Mother in the labor force	34,672	63.8%	11,238	62.4%	11,368	64.1%	12,066	64.9%
Mother not in labor force	12,640	23.3%	4,649	25.8%	4,066	22.9%	3,925	21.1%
Total	54,323	100.0%	18,004	100.0%	17,726	100.0%	18,593	100.0%

<u>All Household Types</u>								
Two Parent Household, Both parents in labor force	30,686	31.3%	12,913	35.5%	9,003	29.5%	8,770	28.2%
Two Parent Household, Father only in labor force	10,150	10.4%	4,688	12.9%	2,970	9.7%	2,492	8.0%
Two Parent Household, Mother only in labor force	2,204	2.2%	544	1.5%	699	2.3%	961	3.1%
Two Parent Household, Neither parent in labor force	689	0.7%	275	0.8%	100	0.3%	314	1.0%
One Parent Household, Father in the labor force	6,213	6.3%	1,915	5.3%	1,974	6.5%	2,324	7.5%
One Parent Household, Father not in labor force	798	0.8%	202	0.6%	318	1.0%	278	0.9%
One Parent Household, Mother in the labor force	34,672	35.4%	11,238	30.9%	11,368	37.3%	12,066	38.8%
One Parent Household, Mother not in labor force	12,640	12.9%	4,649	12.8%	4,066	13.3%	3,925	12.6%
Total	98,052	100.0%	36,424	100.0%	30,498	100.0%	31,130	100.0%

Race/Ethnicity for Children Living in Two Parent Households	0-17 Year Olds		0-5 Year Olds		6-11 Year Olds		12-17 Year Olds	
	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%
White	18,102	41.4%	9,214	50.0%	4,757	37.2%	4,131	33.0%
Black or African American	9,454	21.6%	3,140	17.0%	2,847	22.3%	3,467	27.7%
Hispanic	8,357	19.1%	2,724	14.8%	2,575	20.2%	3,058	24.4%
Asian	5,051	11.6%	2,131	11.6%	1,703	13.3%	1,217	9.7%
Some Other Race	1,061	2.4%	254	1.4%	428	3.4%	379	3.0%
Two or More Major Races	1,704	3.9%	957	5.2%	462	3.6%	285	2.3%
Total	43,729	100.0%	18,420	100.0%	12,772	100.0%	12,537	100.0%

Race/Ethnicity for Children Living in One Parent Households	0-17 Year Olds		0-5 Year Olds		6-11 Year Olds		12-17 Year Olds	
	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%
White	5,694	10.5%	1,836	10.2%	1,899	10.7%	1,959	10.5%
Black or African American	23,795	43.8%	7,846	43.6%	7,547	42.6%	8,402	45.2%
Hispanic	20,351	37.5%	7,149	39.7%	6,565	37.0%	6,637	35.7%
Asian	1,742	3.2%	300	1.7%	623	3.5%	819	4.4%
Some Other Race	1,172	2.2%	318	1.8%	448	2.5%	406	2.2%
Two or More Major Races	1,569	2.9%	555	3.1%	644	3.6%	370	2.0%
Total	54,323	100.0%	18,004	100.0%	17,726	100.0%	18,593	100.0%

Sources: 2007-2011 American Community Survey, Public Use Microdata Sample, BRA Research Division Analysis

Characteristics of Households with Children in Boston

Children Ages 0-17

Sources: 2007-2011 American Community Survey, Public Use Microdata Sample, BRA Research Division Analysis

Household Income	With Children 0-17		With Children 0-5		With Children 6-11		With Children 12-17	
	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%
\$0 to \$11,175	7,721	13.1%	4,042	14.3%	3,988	15.8%	3,304	12.6%
\$11,176 to \$22,350	7,748	13.2%	3,374	11.9%	4,118	16.3%	3,722	14.2%
\$22,351 to \$50,000	15,009	25.5%	6,890	24.3%	6,261	24.7%	7,076	26.9%
\$50,001 to \$75,000	8,254	14.0%	3,811	13.5%	3,843	15.2%	3,830	14.6%
\$75,001 or Higher	20,123	34.2%	10,190	36.0%	7,090	28.0%	8,336	31.7%
Total	58,855	100.0%	28,307	100.0%	25,300	100.0%	26,268	100.0%

Household Income-For Households with Two Parents	With Children 0-17		With Children 0-5		With Children 6-11		With Children 12-17	
	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%
\$0 to \$11,175	535	2.0%	391	2.7%	172	1.6%	139	1.3%
\$11,176 to \$22,350	1,685	6.3%	915	6.2%	813	7.8%	636	6.1%
\$22,351 to \$50,000	4,795	17.9%	2,487	17.0%	2,012	19.2%	1,899	18.1%
\$50,001 to \$75,000	4,269	15.9%	2,154	14.7%	2,058	19.7%	1,898	18.1%
\$75,001 or Higher	15,508	57.9%	8,698	59.4%	5,410	51.7%	5,916	56.4%
Total	26,792	100.0%	14,645	100.0%	10,465	100.0%	10,488	100.0%

Household Income-For Households with One Parent	With Children 0-17		With Children 0-5		With Children 6-11		With Children 12-17	
	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%
\$0 to \$11,175	7,186	22.4%	3,651	26.7%	3,816	25.7%	3,165	20.1%
\$11,176 to \$22,350	6,063	18.9%	2,459	18.0%	3,305	22.3%	3,086	19.6%
\$22,351 to \$50,000	10,214	31.9%	4,403	32.2%	4,249	28.6%	5,177	32.8%
\$50,001 to \$75,000	3,985	12.4%	1,657	12.1%	1,785	12.0%	1,932	12.2%
\$75,001 or Higher	4,615	14.4%	1,492	10.9%	1,680	11.3%	2,420	15.3%
Total	32,063	100.0%	13,662	100.0%	14,835	100.0%	15,780	100.0%

Household Family Type & Labor Force Status of Households	With Children 0-17		With Children 0-5		With Children 6-11		With Children 12-17	
	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%
Married-couple family: Husband and wife in LF	18,891	32.1%	10,225	36.1%	7,567	29.9%	7,326	27.9%
Married-couple family: Husband in labor force, wife not in LF	5,624	9.6%	3,433	12.1%	2,133	8.4%	2,010	7.7%
Married-couple family: Husband not in LF, wife in LF	1,685	2.9%	630	2.2%	657	2.6%	892	3.4%
Married-couple family: Neither husband nor wife in LF	592	1.0%	357	1.3%	108	0.4%	260	1.0%
Other family: Male householder, no wife present, in LF	4,495	7.6%	1,921	6.8%	1,627	6.4%	1,917	7.3%
Other family: Male householder, no wife present, not in LF	694	1.2%	233	0.8%	312	1.2%	283	1.1%
Other family: Female householder, no husband present, in LF	19,525	33.2%	8,393	29.6%	9,248	36.6%	9,778	37.2%
Other family: Female householder, no husband present, not in LF	7,016	11.9%	3,115	11.0%	3,549	14.0%	3,507	13.4%
N/A (GQ/vacant/non-family household)	333	0.6%	0	0.0%	99	0.4%	295	1.1%
Total	58,855	100.0%	28,307	100.0%	25,300	100.0%	26,268	100.0%

Linguistically Isolated Households	With Children 0-17		With Children 0-5		With Children 6-11		With Children 12-17	
	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%
Not Linguistically Isolated	51,026	86.7%	23,548	83.2%	21,242	84.0%	24,208	92.2%
Linguistically Isolated	7,829	13.3%	4,759	16.8%	4,058	16.0%	2,060	7.8%
Total	58,855	100.0%	28,307	100.0%	25,300	100.0%	26,268	100.0%

All Linguistically Isolated Households	Boston	
	Estimate	%
Not Linguistically Isolated	219,265	88.5%
Linguistically Isolated	28,354	11.5%
Total	247,619	100.0%

Number of Workers in the Family in the Last 12 Months	With Children 0-17		With Children 0-5		With Children 6-11		With Children 12-17	
	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%
No Workers	6,149	10.4%	3,162	11.2%	3,319	13.1%	2,840	10.8%
1 Worker	23,998	40.8%	11,863	41.9%	11,099	43.9%	9,852	37.5%
2 Workers	21,482	36.5%	11,233	39.7%	8,502	33.6%	8,637	32.9%
3 or more workers in family	6,893	11.7%	2,049	7.2%	2,281	9.0%	4,644	17.7%
N/A (GQ/vacant/non-family household)	333	0.6%	0	0.0%	99	0.4%	295	1.1%
Total	58,855	100.0%	28,307	100.0%	25,300	100.0%	26,268	100.0%

Household Presence and Age of Children	With Children 0-17	
	Frequency	%
With children under 6 years only	16,739	6.8%
With children 6 to 17 years only	30,515	12.3%
With children under 6 years and 6 to 17 years	11,568	4.7%
No children	188,797	76.2%
Total	247,619	100.0%

Sources: 2007-2011 American Community Survey, Public Use Microdata Sample, BRA Research Division Analysis

Characteristics of Householders with Children in Boston

Children Ages 0-17

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Race/Ethnicity of Householder	With Children 0-17		With Children 0-5		With Children 6-11		With Children 12-17	
	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%
White	17,303	29.4%	9,427	33.3%	6,475	25.6%	6,024	22.9%
Black or African American	18,982	32.3%	7,884	27.9%	8,543	33.8%	10,238	39.0%
Hispanic	15,602	26.5%	7,545	26.7%	7,416	29.3%	7,093	27.0%
Asian	4,797	8.2%	2,463	8.7%	1,863	7.4%	1,871	7.1%
Some Other Race	1,277	2.2%	541	1.9%	657	2.6%	691	2.6%
Two or More Major Races	894	1.5%	447	1.6%	346	1.4%	351	1.3%
Total	58,855	100.0%	28,307	100.0%	25,300	100.0%	26,268	100.0%

Sex	With Children 0-17		With Children 0-5		With Children 6-11		With Children 12-17	
	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%
Male	21,469	36.5%	11,142	39.4%	7,917	31.3%	8,421	32.1%
Female	37,386	63.5%	17,165	60.6%	17,383	68.7%	17,847	67.9%
Total	58,855	100.0%	28,307	100.0%	25,300	100.0%	26,268	100.0%

Marital Status	With Children 0-17		With Children 0-5		With Children 6-11		With Children 12-17	
	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%
Married	28,821	49.0%	15,430	54.5%	11,590	45.8%	11,616	44.2%
Widowed	1,645	2.8%	431	1.5%	539	2.1%	1,157	4.4%
Divorced	6,738	11.4%	2,067	7.3%	2,930	11.6%	3,937	15.0%
Separated	3,439	5.8%	1,170	4.1%	1,705	6.7%	2,054	7.8%
Never Married	18,212	30.9%	9,209	32.5%	8,536	33.7%	7,504	28.6%
Total	58,855	100.0%	28,307	100.0%	25,300	100.0%	26,268	100.0%

Age	With Children 0-17		With Children 0-5		With Children 6-11		With Children 12-17	
	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%
21 or less	778	1.3%	560	2.0%	61	0.2%	226	0.9%
22 to 25	2,386	4.1%	2,158	7.6%	628	2.5%	41	0.2%
26 to 30	6,874	11.7%	5,411	19.1%	3,385	13.4%	718	2.7%
31 to 35	9,634	16.4%	6,518	23.0%	4,533	17.9%	3,171	12.1%
36 to 40	11,003	18.7%	5,882	20.8%	5,225	20.7%	4,735	18.0%
41 to 50	18,317	31.1%	5,229	18.5%	8,364	33.1%	11,054	42.1%
51 and Over	9,863	16.8%	2,479	8.8%	3,104	12.3%	6,323	24.1%
Total	58,855	100.0%	28,307	100.0%	25,300	100.0%	26,268	100.0%

Nativity	With Children 0-17		With Children 0-5		With Children 6-11		With Children 12-17	
	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%
Native Born	34,218	58.1%	16,352	57.8%	13,995	55.3%	14,904	56.7%
Foreign Born	24,637	41.9%	11,955	42.2%	11,305	44.7%	11,364	43.3%
Total	58,855	100.0%	28,307	100.0%	25,300	100.0%	26,268	100.0%

Ability to Speak English	With Children 0-17		With Children 0-5		With Children 6-11		With Children 12-17	
	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%
English Proficient	50,673	86.1%	24,875	87.9%	21,268	84.1%	22,087	84.1%
Limited English Proficiency	8,182	13.9%	3,432	12.1%	4,032	15.9%	4,181	15.9%
Total	58,855	100.0%	28,307	100.0%	25,300	100.0%	26,268	100.0%

School Enrollment	With Children 0-17		With Children 0-5		With Children 6-11		With Children 12-17	
	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%
Not Attending School	54,594	92.8%	25,884	91.4%	23,356	92.3%	24,537	93.4%
Currently In School	4,261	7.2%	2,423	8.6%	1,944	7.7%	1,731	6.6%
Grade 5 to grade 8	39	0.1%	39	0.1%	0	0.0%	39	0.1%
Grade 9 to grade 12	586	1.0%	382	1.3%	405	1.6%	239	0.9%
College undergraduate	2,795	4.7%	1,501	5.3%	1,235	4.9%	1,225	4.7%
Graduate or professional school	841	1.4%	501	1.8%	304	1.2%	228	0.9%
Total	58,855	100.0%	28,307	100.0%	25,300	100.0%	26,268	100.0%

Educational Attainment	With Children 0-17		With Children 0-5		With Children 6-11		With Children 12-17	
	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%
8th Grade or less	4,487	7.6%	2,035	7.2%	2,160	8.5%	2,413	9.2%
Less than High School	5,830	9.9%	2,654	9.4%	3,246	12.8%	3,052	11.6%
High School Graduate	15,667	26.6%	6,511	23.0%	6,764	26.7%	8,065	30.7%
Some College	11,140	18.9%	5,343	18.9%	5,634	22.3%	4,577	17.4%
Associate's Degree	4,054	6.9%	1,681	5.9%	1,815	7.2%	2,057	7.8%
Bachelor's Degree	9,264	15.7%	4,728	16.7%	3,288	13.0%	3,735	14.2%
Graduate Degree	8,413	14.3%	5,355	18.9%	2,393	9.5%	2,369	9.0%
Total	58,855	100.0%	28,307	100.0%	25,300	100.0%	26,268	100.0%

Year of Entry of Foreign Born Householders	With Children 0-17		With Children 0-5		With Children 6-11		With Children 12-17	
	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%
Before 1970	1,447	5.3%	430	3.3%	590	4.6%	762	5.9%
1970-1979	1,994	7.2%	591	4.6%	642	5.0%	1,212	9.4%
1980-1989	7,825	28.4%	2,868	22.3%	3,699	29.1%	4,545	35.4%
1990-1999	9,917	36.0%	4,908	38.1%	5,616	44.1%	4,400	34.3%
After 2000	6,330	23.0%	4,070	31.6%	2,185	17.2%	1,923	15.0%
Total	27,513	100.0%	12,867	100.0%	12,732	100.0%	12,842	100.0%

Language Spoken at Home	With Children 0-17		With Children 0-5		With Children 6-11		With Children 12-17				
	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	Estimate	%			
English	30,252	51.4%	English	14,061	49.7%	English	12,487	49.4%	English	13,446	51.2%
Spanish	15,179	25.8%	Spanish	7,394	26.1%	Spanish	7,107	28.1%	Spanish	6,757	25.7%
French Creole	3,188	5.4%	French Creole	1,534	5.4%	French Creole	1,376	5.4%	French Creole	1,656	6.3%
Portuguese	1,610	2.7%	Portuguese	830	2.9%	Portuguese	765	3.0%	Vietnamese	880	3.4%
Vietnamese	1,499	2.5%	Chinese	726	2.6%	Vietnamese	587	2.3%	Portuguese	797	3.0%
Chinese	1,291	2.2%	Vietnamese	703	2.5%	Chinese	523	2.1%	French	536	2.0%
French	1,001	1.7%	French	431	1.5%	French	448	1.8%	Chinese	314	1.2%
Cantonese	509	0.9%	Kru, Ibo, Yoruba	285	1.0%	Cushite	185	0.7%	Cantonese	286	1.1%
Kru, Ibo, Yoruba	498	0.8%	Russian	217	0.8%	Cantonese	183	0.7%	Kru, Ibo, Yoruba	264	1.0%
Italian	359	0.6%	Italian	210	0.7%	Arabic	162	0.6%	Cushite	203	0.8%
Other	3,469	5.9%	Other	1,916	6.8%	Other	1,477	5.8%	Other	1,129	4.3%
Total	58,855	100.0%	Total	28,307	100.0%	Total	25,300	100.0%	Total	26,268	100.0%

Place of Birth											
With Children 0-17			With Children 0-5			With Children 6-11			With Children 12-17		
	Estimate	%		Estimate	%		Estimate	%		Estimate	%
Born Inside US	33,760	57.4%	Born Inside US	16,149	57.0%	Born Inside US	13,705	54.2%	Born Inside US	14,761	56.2%
Dominican Republic	4,468	7.6%	Dominican Republic	2,285	8.1%	Dominican Republic	2,383	9.4%	Dominican Republic	2,149	8.2%
Haiti	2,800	4.8%	Haiti	1,001	3.5%	Haiti	1,266	5.0%	Haiti	1,576	6.0%
China	1,656	2.8%	China	807	2.9%	Cape Verde	738	2.9%	Vietnam	873	3.3%
Vietnam	1,516	2.6%	Vietnam	720	2.5%	El Salvador	630	2.5%	Cape Verde	753	2.9%
Cape Verde	1,409	2.4%	Cape Verde	707	2.5%	Vietnam	604	2.4%	Jamaica	612	2.3%
El Salvador	1,193	2.0%	El Salvador	621	2.2%	China	598	2.4%	China	581	2.2%
Jamaica	1,120	1.9%	Guatemala	488	1.7%	Jamaica	533	2.1%	Trinidad & Tobago	473	1.8%
Colombia	898	1.5%	Colombia	418	1.5%	Guatemala	518	2.0%	El Salvador	371	1.4%
Guatemala	894	1.5%	Trinidad and Tobago	369	1.3%	Colombia	400	1.6%	Guatemala	348	1.3%
Other	9,141	15.5%	Other	4,742	16.8%	Other	3,925	15.5%	Other	3,771	14.4%
Total	58,855	100.0%	Total	28,307	100.0%	Total	25,300	100.0%	Total	26,268	100.0%

Sources: 2007-2011 American Community Survey, Public Use Microdata Sample, BRA Research Division Analysis