

Trends

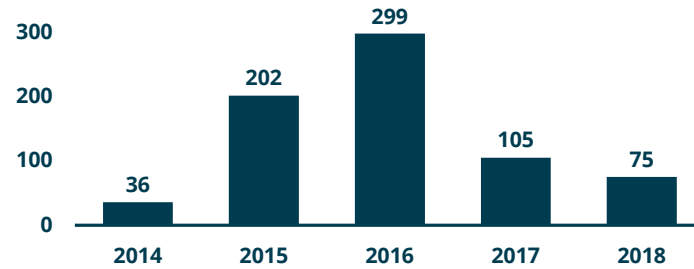
Historical Trends in West Roxbury

- The share of the Hispanic population increased from 5% in 2000 to 10% in 2017.
- From 2000 to 2017, the share of owner-occupied housing units has remained at 65%.
- Households with at least one vehicle increased from 86% in 2000 to 90% in 2017.
- The share of the foreign-born population increased from 17% in 2000 to 21% in 2017.

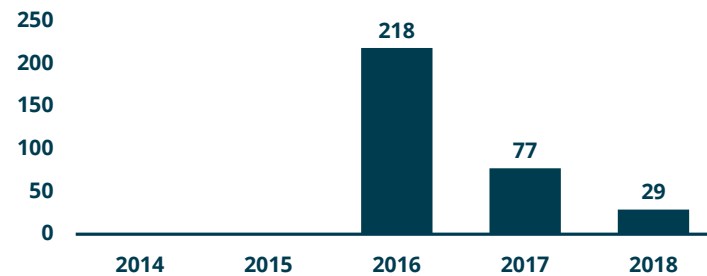
The Future for West Roxbury

- West Roxbury is poised to continue growing slowly, with 324 housing units approved for construction between 2014 and 2018.
- 1,227 new housing units were built in West Roxbury between 2011 and 2018.⁴

BPDA Board-Approved Development (In Thousands of Feet²)
2014-2018



BPDA Board-Approved Housing Units
2014-2018



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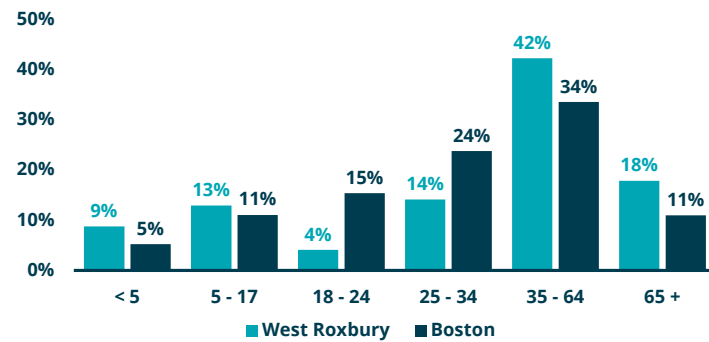
Population

- According to the 2013-2017 American Community Survey, West Roxbury had 33,930 residents, 5% of Boston's population.¹

Age Distribution

- 42% of West Roxbury's residents were adults (35-64), compared to 34% of Boston's residents.
- 22% of West Roxbury's residents were children (0-17), compared to 16% of Boston's residents.

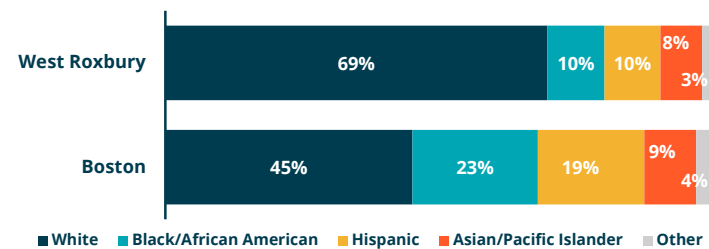
West Roxbury & Boston Residents by Age
2017



Diversity

- In 2017, 21% of West Roxbury's residents were foreign-born, compared to 28% of Boston's residents.
- 69% of West Roxbury's residents identified as Non-Hispanic White, higher than 45% of Boston's residents.

West Roxbury & Boston Residents by Race
2017



Economy

Jobs

- In 2015, West Roxbury had 6,656 payroll jobs, 26% of which were in Healthcare and Social Assistance.²
- West Roxbury had 0.35 payroll jobs for every resident worker, 1% of the payroll jobs in Boston.

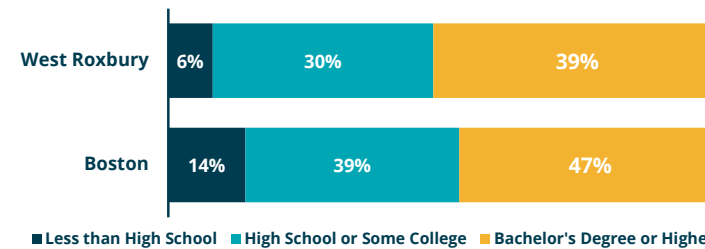
Labor Force

- In 2017, West Roxbury's resident labor force had 18,820 workers, 5% of Boston's resident labor force.
- 69% of West Roxbury's residents participated in the labor force, same as Boston's labor force participation rate.
- The top occupations among residents in 2017: Management, Office and Administrative Support, and Sales.

Education

- In 2017, 7% of West Roxbury's residents were enrolled in college or university, lower than 16% of Boston's residents.
- 39% of West Roxbury's residents had at least a Bachelor's degree, compared to 47% of Boston's adult residents.

Educational Attainment (Age 25+)
2017



Income

- In 2017, the median household income in West Roxbury was \$80,804, higher than \$62,021 throughout Boston.

Notes: Demographic data are for the Census-tract approximations of West Roxbury. Employment data are for the Census-block approximations of West Roxbury. Development data were calculated on March 5, 2019.

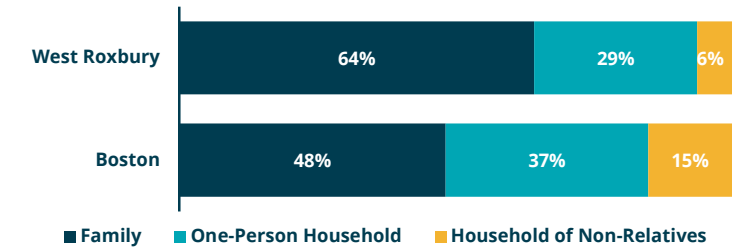
Sources: 1. U.S. Census Bureau, 1950-2010 Decennial Census and 2013-2017 American Community Survey; 2. U.S. Census Bureau, OnTheMap Application and LEHD Origin-Destination Employment Statistics, 2015; 3. City of Boston Assessing Data, FY2018; 4. BPDA Research Division Pipeline Database, 2018.

Place

Households

- In 2017, 64% of West Roxbury's households were families, compared to 48% of Boston's households.

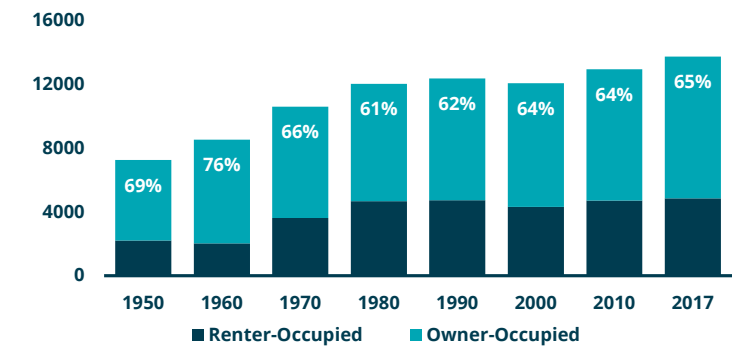
Household Type
2017



Renters and Owners

- In 2017, 53% of West Roxbury's 13,757 housing units were renter-occupied.
- In FY2018, 61% of West Roxbury's 1,921 condominiums were owner-occupied.³
- The median rent was \$1,412 throughout West Roxbury, similar to \$1,445 throughout Boston.

West Roxbury Occupied Housing Units
1950-2017



Vehicles

- In 2017, 90% of West Roxbury's households had at least one vehicle, compared to 66% of Boston's households.
- The ratio of vehicles to households in West Roxbury was 1.2, higher than Boston's ratio of 0.95.