

TOWN OF BROOKLINE PLANNING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

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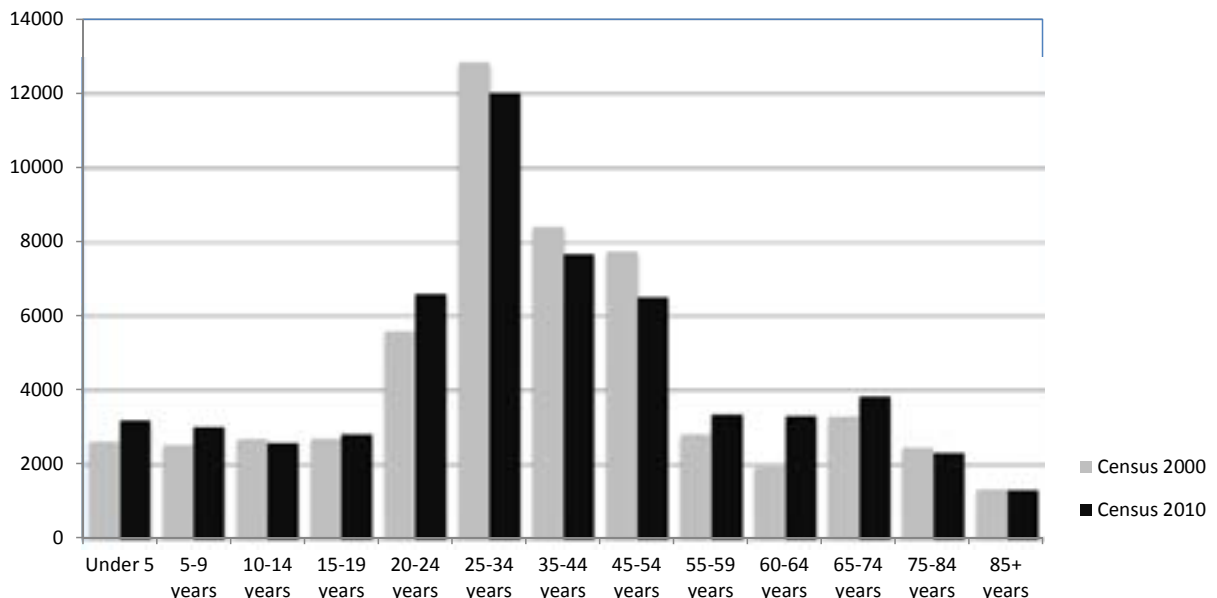
As mandated by the Constitution, the census counts every resident in the United States every 10 years to determine the number of seats each state receives in the U.S. House of Representatives. These counts show how our population has grown and shifted over the last decade and helps to determine how more than \$400 billion of federal funding annually is spent on infrastructure and services.

The first results from the 2010 Census were released in spring of 2011 for each state. During the summer and fall of 2011, Summary File 1 data was released, providing more detailed information about each community's population, including cross-tabulations of age, sex, households, families, relationship to householder, housing units, detailed race and Hispanic or Latino origin groups, and group quarters. Summary File 2 data, scheduled to be released in the spring of 2012, will add a new layer of detail — making information, such as age, relationship

and homeownership, available for specific race and ethnic groups within a community. Census 2010 data will continue to be released on a flow basis through 2013.

The following pages include a sampling of the key data available on Brookline from the 2010 Census, including population, household composition, racial composition, and housing characteristics. By comparing the data with Census 2000 statistics, we can begin to see how Brookline has changed in the past ten years and how those changes compare to adjacent communities. Lastly, statistics from the New American Community Survey (page 5) provide an up to date snapshot on more specific aspects of our community, including transportation, income, poverty, education, disabilities, ethnicity, and other topics of interest. More data is available at the Census website: www.census.gov.

Brookline Population Age Distribution 2000 - 2010



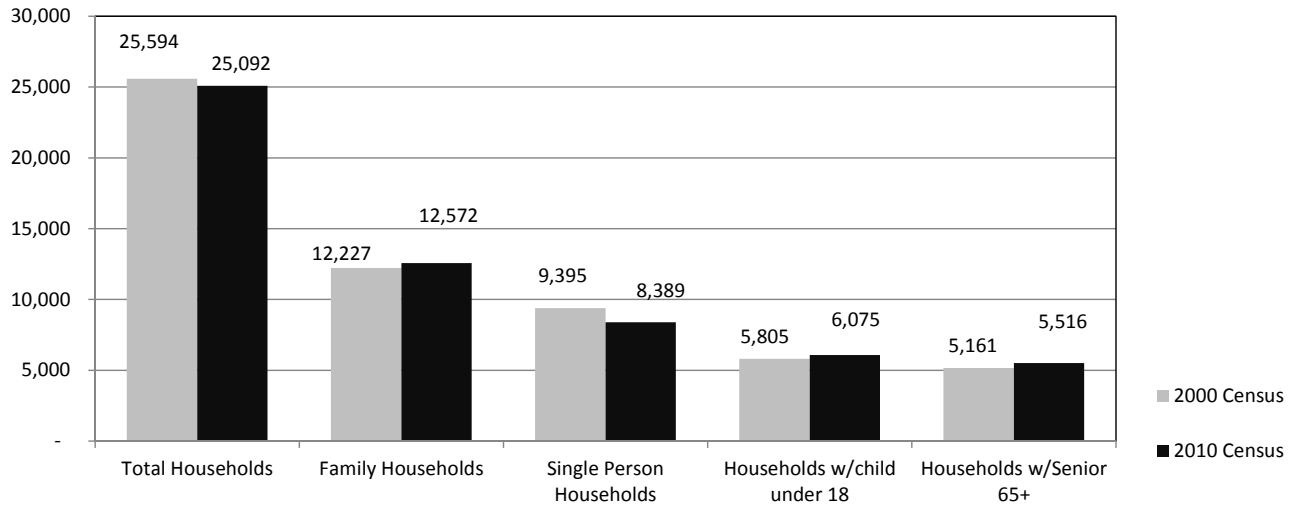
Source: US Census 2000 and 2010

Over the past several decades, Brookline’s population has remained fairly stable, fluctuating between 54,000 and 59,000 since 1950. In 2010, the total population was 58,732, up by a total of 1,697 from 57,035 in 2000.

Some of the largest increases occurred among children

age 9 and under with a total increase of 1,070 as well as among young adults ages 20 - 24 with an increase totalling 1,013. Additionally, persons age 60 - 70 increased by a total of 2,010. Both younger and older population increases were offset in part by a decrease among person age 25 - 55 by a total of 2,783 persons.

Brookline Households 2000 - 2010



Source: US Census 2000 and 2010

At the same time, the total number of households in Brookline decreased by a total of 502. The number of single person households decreased significantly during the decade by more than 1,006. This decrease was offset by an increase in both senior households (age 65+) of 355 and family households with children under the age of 18 which increased by a total of 270 households.

Brookline has continued to become more racially diverse over the past decade with approximately 23.3% of the Town’s population being minority or mixed-race according to the 2010 Census. The fastest growing minority group is Asian at nearly 15.6% of the population, up from 12.8% of the population in 2000.

Changes in Racial Composition of Brookline Population 2000 - 2010

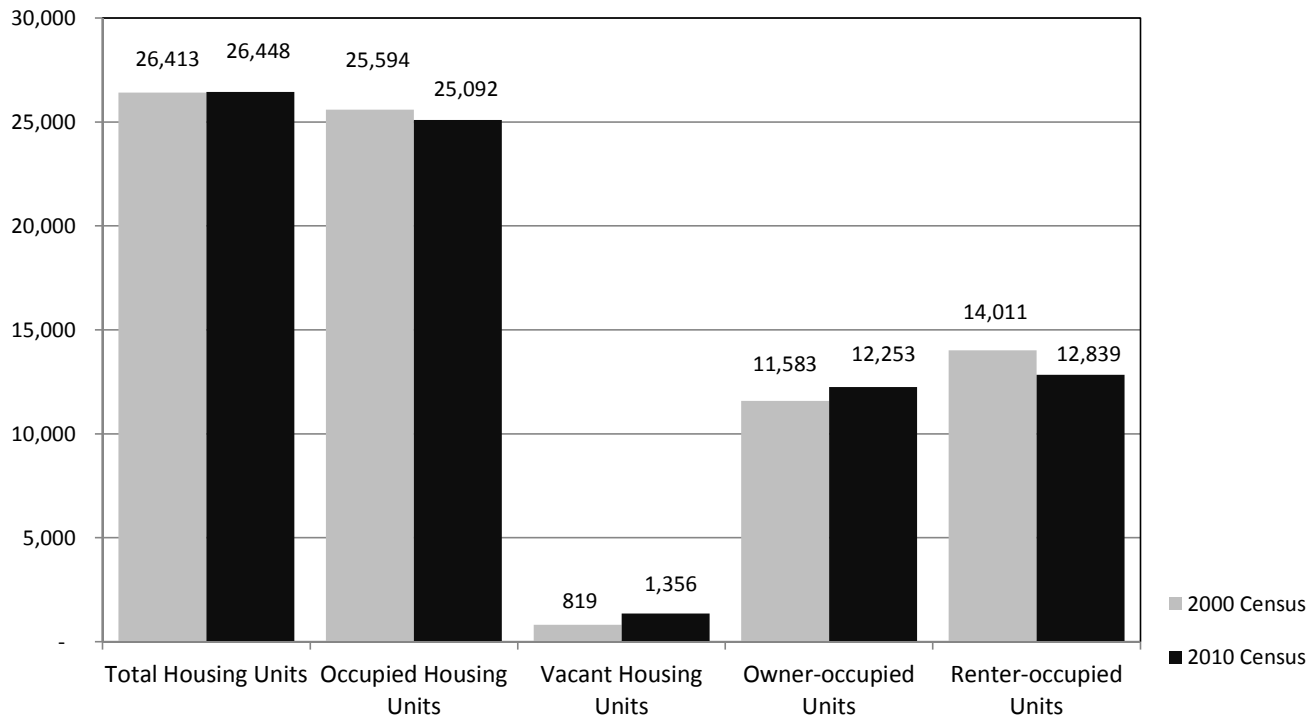
<u>Race</u>	<u>2000 Census</u>	<u>2010 Census</u>	<u>Percent Change</u>
White	81.10%	76.70%	-4.40%
Black/African American	2.70%	3.40%	0.70%
American Indian/Alaska Native	0.00%	0.10%	0.10%
Asian	12.80%	15.60%	2.80%
Native Hawaiian/ Other Pacific Islander	0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Some Other Race	1.00%	1.20%	0.20%
Two orMore Races	2.20%	3.00%	0.80%
Hispanic or Latino of Any Race	3.50%	5.00%	1.50%

Source: US Census 2000 and 2010

The total number of housing units increased only slightly, up to a total of 26,448 in 2010, according to the Census data. At the same time, the number of occupied housing units decreased by nearly 500 units, nearly doubling the vacancy rate to 5.1% of total housing units.

While Brookline has historically had a higher percentage of renters than homeowners, in 2010 the percentage of renters dropped to 48.5% of total households, down from 53% of total households in 2000. The owner-occupancy rates for Massachusetts overall is 62.3% while for the nation the rate is 65.1%

Housing Units and Characteristics 2000 - 2010



Source: US Census 2000 and 2010

For More Information on the Census go to:

www.census.gov

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factfinder2.census.gov

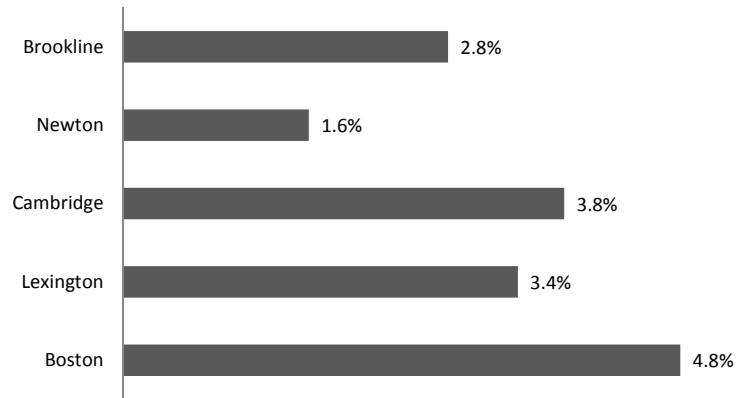
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How Does Brookline Compare to Surrounding Communities?

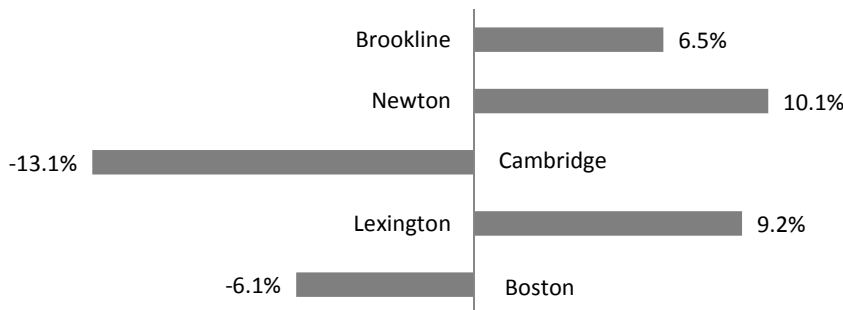
Total Population Percentage Change 2000 - 2010

Brookline's population grew more slowly in the past decade than for many other adjacent localities, including Boston, Cambridge, and Lexington, but slightly more than the City of Newton. Comparatively, population growth in the U.S. overall was 9.7% for the decade and 3.1% for the state of Massachusetts.



Source: 2008-2010 ACS 3-Year Estimates

School Age Children (Age 5-19) Percentage Change 2000 - 2010

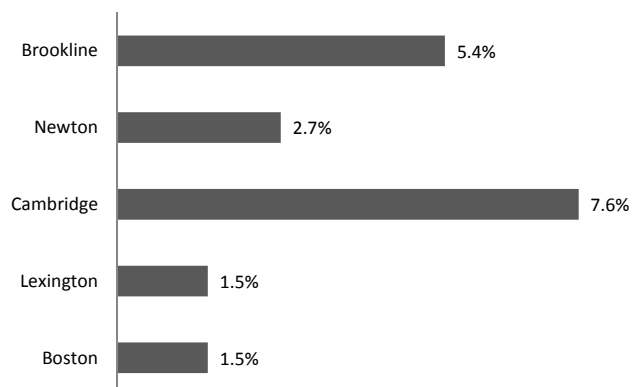


During the past decade, Brookline's school age population (age 5 - 19) grew by 6.5% along with both Newton (10.1%) and Lexington (9.2%). Over the same time period both Boston and Cambridge experienced declines in their school age populations of 13.1% and 6.1%, respectively. Massachusetts also experienced an overall decline of 1.9% in its population age 5 - 19.

Source: 2008-2010 ACS 3-Year Estimates

Senior Population (65+) Percentage Change 2000 - 2010

All five communities surveyed experienced an increase in Senior populations age 65+. Brookline's Senior population grew by 5.4%, almost equalling the increase in Cambridge's Senior population for the same period. Other adjacent communities experienced lower increases of 1.5 - 2.7% while the Massachusetts rate of growth for Seniors during the same period was 4.9%.



Source: 2008 - 2010 ACS 3-Year Estimates

Brookline in 2010

Statistics from the American Community Survey

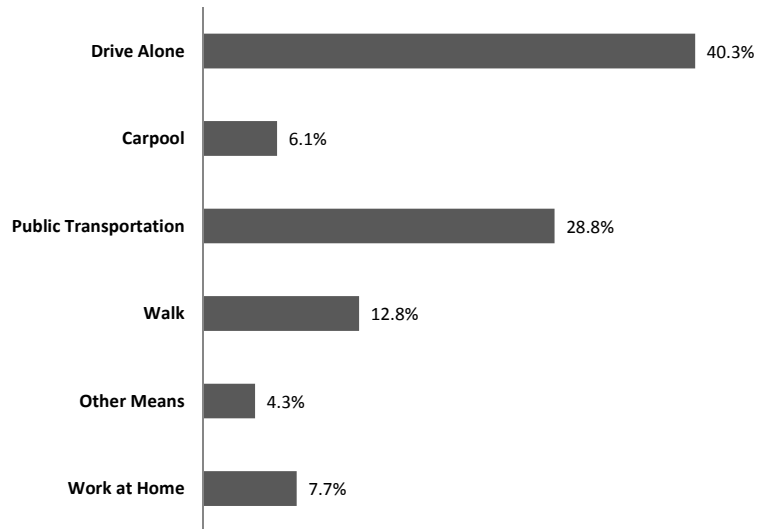
The American Community Survey is a nationwide, continuous survey designed to provide communities with reliable and timely demographic, housing, social and economic data every year, replacing the decennial census long-form type information throughout the decade rather than only once every 10 years. The ACS will provide updated information on Brookline in the form of 3- or 5-year estimates and can be used to provide a more up to date snapshot of the local community. The following pages include samples of the types of information available through the ACS.

Transportation

As detailed in the chart to the right, the majority of Brookline residents who work either take public transportation, walk, ride bicycles, or work at home. Another 6.1% carpool with others and only 40.3% drive alone.

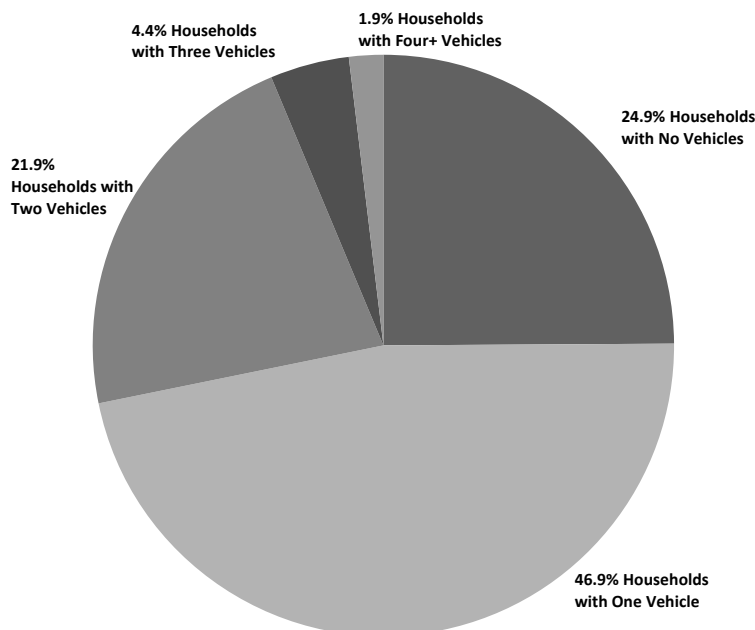
Commuting to Work

Brookline Workers Age 16 + years



Source: 2008-2010 ACS 3-Year Estimates

Number of Vehicles per Household



A full 71.8% of all households have one or fewer vehicles, with nearly a quarter of Brookline households owning no vehicle at all.

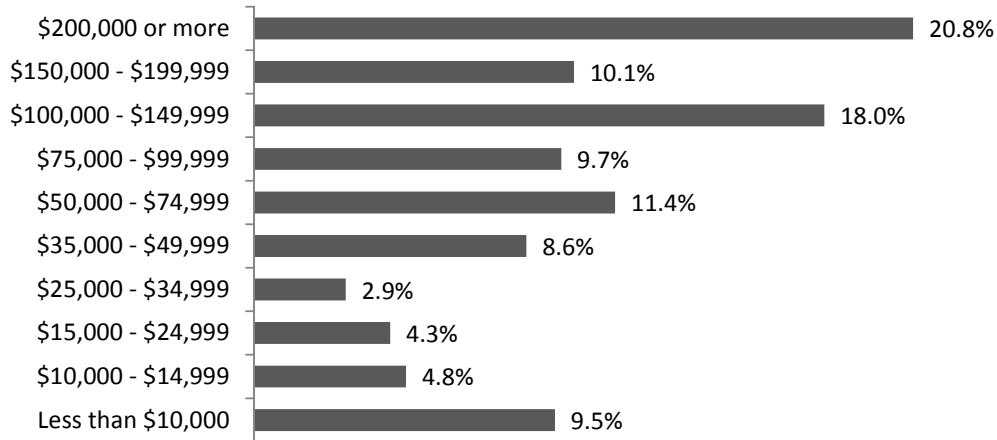
Source: 2008-2010 ACS 3-Year Estimates

Income and Occupation

Brookline continues to have an economically diverse population. Out of 24,734 households, approximately 20.8% of these had a total household income of \$200,000 or more. At the same time, 18.6% of all households had incomes of less than \$25,000.

Median household income in 2010 was \$96,798 for all households. It should be noted that median family income was \$147,395 while median income for non-family households was \$53,201. Per capita income was \$64,791.

Household Income by Percentage of Total Households



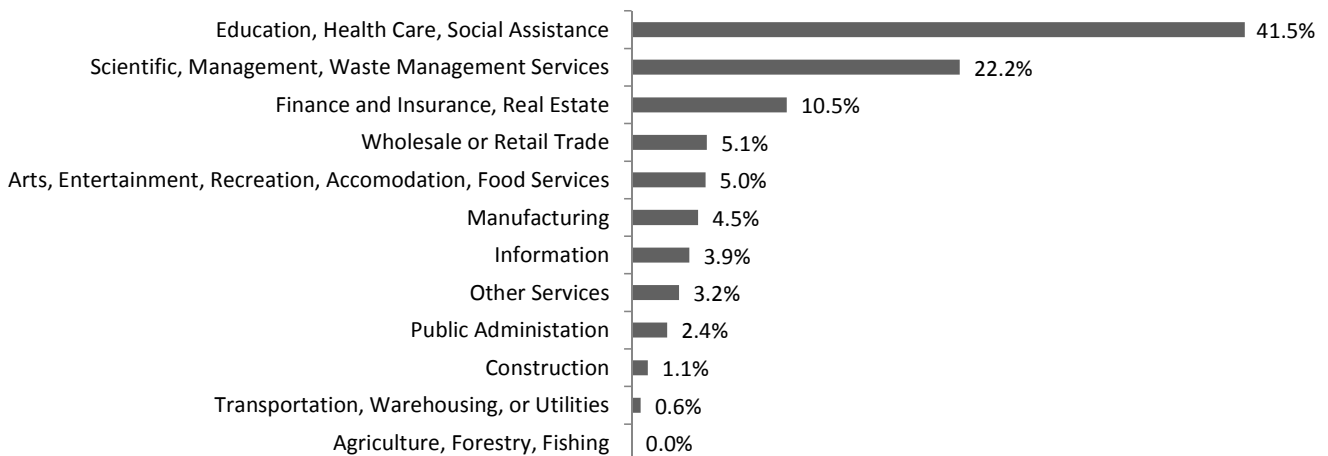
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(in 2010 Inflation-Adjusted Dollars)

Source: 2008-2010 ACS 3-Year Estimates

82% of Brookline residents work outside of Brookline. The largest employment sectors for Brookline residents include: Education, Health Care, Social Services, Science, Management, and Finance.

Approximately 84% of all Brookline workers are private wage and salaried workers while 8.5% work for government and 7.3% are self-employed.

Resident Occupation by Industry



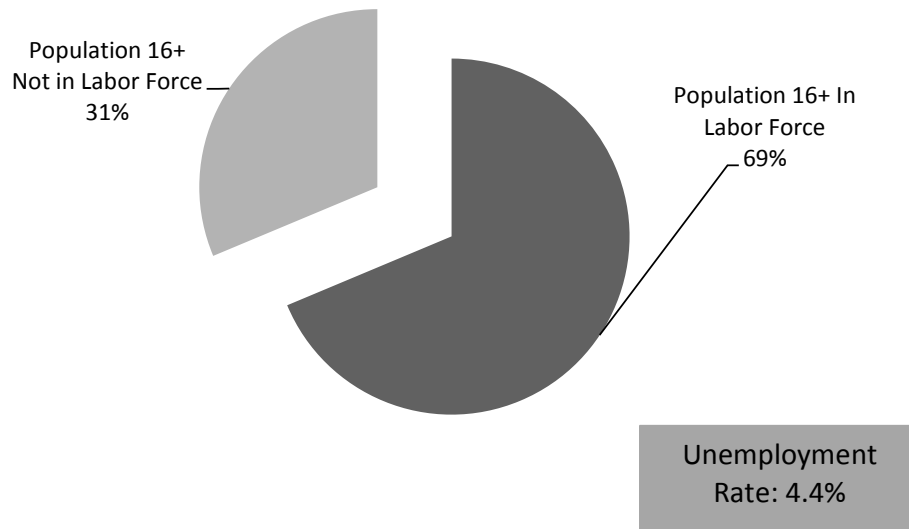
Source: 2008 - 2010 ACS 3-Year Estimates

Labor Force Participation and Poverty

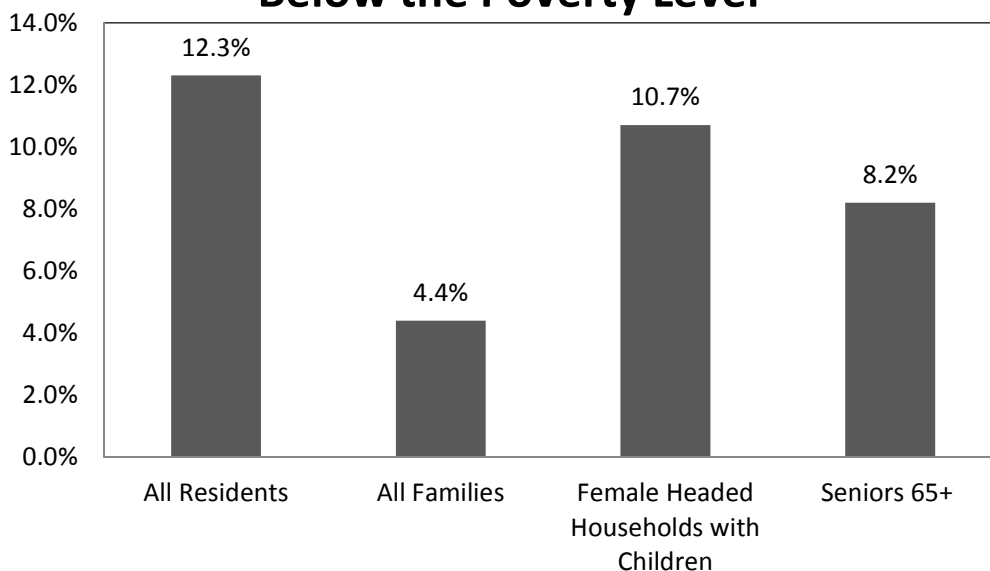
Slightly more than two-thirds of all Brookline residents were in the Labor Force as of 2010. This figure compares to 65.1% for the United States as a whole. The unemployment rate for Brookline residents was significantly lower at 4.4% than for the nation as a whole during the same time period at 9%. If compared to the nation's unemployment rate of 4% for persons with a Bachelor's degree or higher, the number is similar, reflecting the overall high educational attainment of a majority of Brookline residents.

Source: 2008-2010 ACS 3-Year Estimates

Labor Force Participation and Unemployment Rate



Percent of Brookline Residents Below the Poverty Level

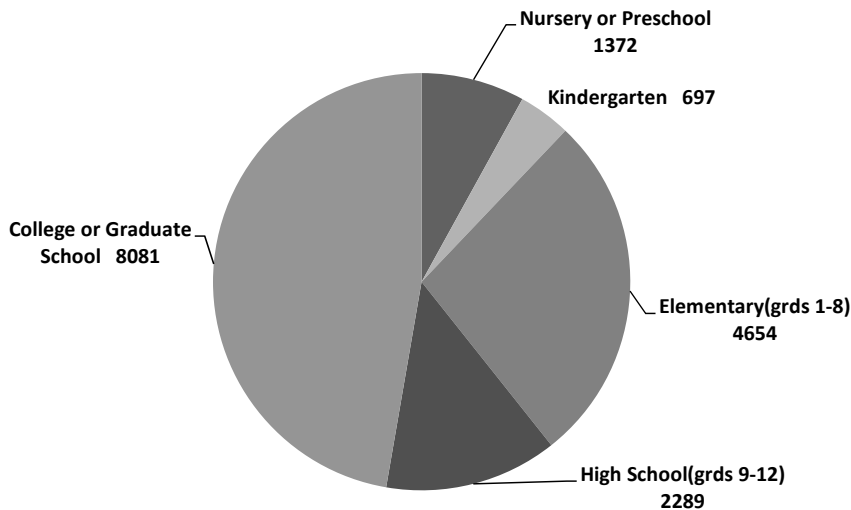


Source: 2008-2010 ACS 3-Year Estimates

In 2010 approximately 12.3% of all Brookline residents had incomes below the poverty level, which was defined as \$22,050 for a family of four in 2010. 5.9% of all children under the age of 18 were under the poverty threshold while 8.2% of all persons age 65 and over also lived beneath the poverty threshold. In terms of families, 4.4% of all families were below the poverty level, with 10.7% of all female-headed households with children were below the poverty line.

School Enrollment and Educational Attainment

School Enrollment Population 3 Years+ Enrolled in School (Public and Private)

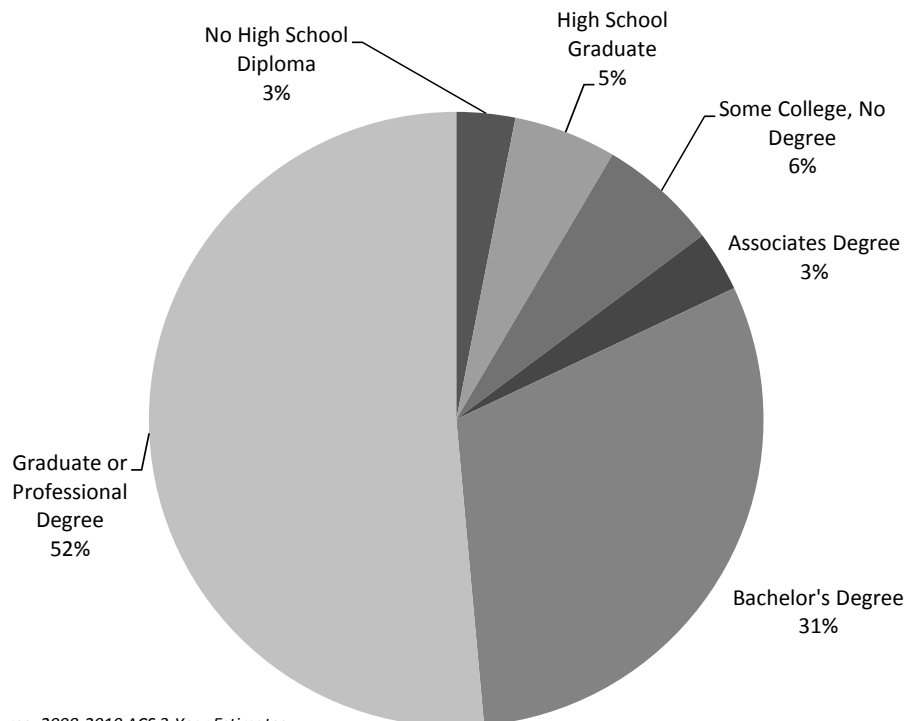


A total of 17,093 persons aged 3+ in Brookline are enrolled in school, both public and private. A total of 5,351 (31.3%) students are in elementary school (kindergarten through 8th grade) with another 2,289 or 13.4% in high school (grades 9 through 12). 47.3% are in college or graduate school.

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Educational Attainment Population 25 Years and Over

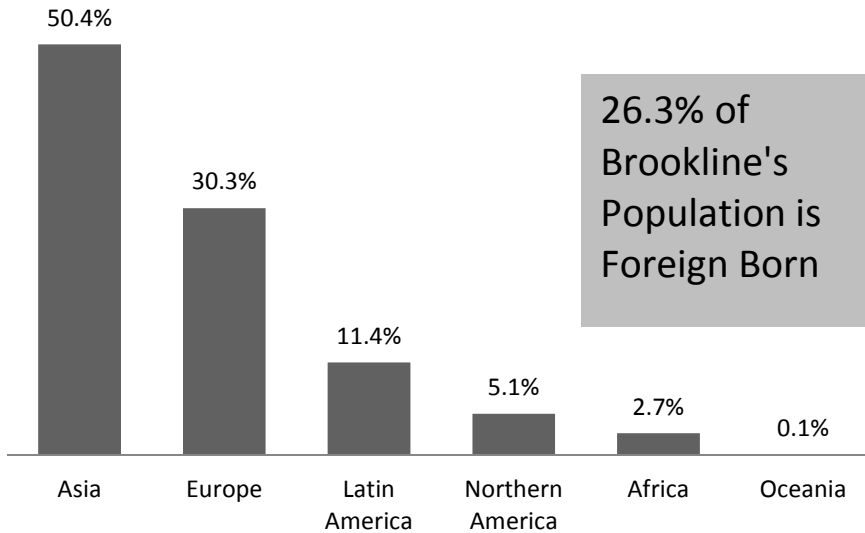
Brookline's population is highly educated. Out of Brookline's total population of persons 25 years and older, approximately 20,578 have obtained a graduate or professional degree — nearly 51.5% of the population 25+. In addition, another 12,235, or 30.6%, have obtained a bachelor's degree. Only 3.1% of Brookline's population did not graduate from high school.



Source: 2008-2010 ACS 3-Year Estimates

Ethnic and Linguistic Diversity

Foreign Born Population by World Region of Birth

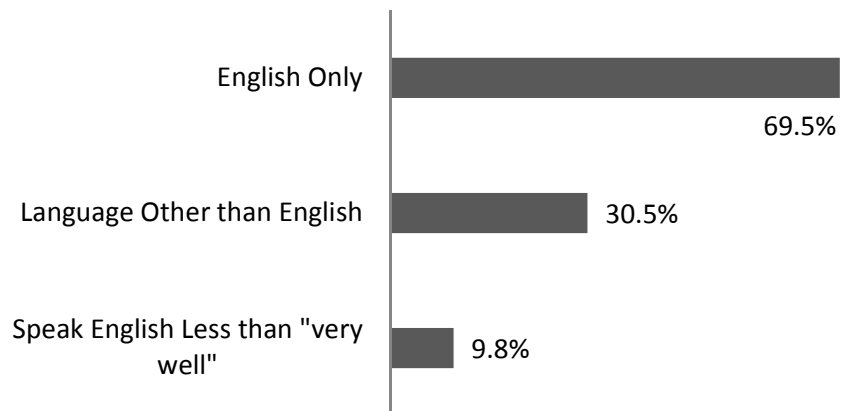


26.3% of Brookline's population is foreign-born. Over 50% of these residents are naturalized U.S. citizens while the other half are not. 60.9% — a total of 9,357 persons — entered the country since the year 2000. 50.4% of all foreign-born residents are from countries in Asia, including China, Japan, Korea and India. Another 30.3% are from Europe and the remaining 20% are from the Americas, Africa, and Oceania.

Source: 2008 - 2010 ACS 3-Year Estimates

Language Spoken at Home Population 5 Years and Older

Over 30% of Brookline residents age 5+ speak a language other than English at home, with nearly a third of these speaking English less than "very well." Other languages include Asian languages (36%), such as Chinese, Japanese, and Korean, as well as Indo-European languages (39%) and Spanish (15%).



Source: 2008 - 2010 ACS 3-Year Estimates