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WELL-BEING IN THE FIVE BOROUGHS AND THE GREATER METRO AREA



NYC METRO AREA: LONG ISLAND OVERVIEW

Long Island Fast Facts

- In a ranking of the metro area's 170 public use microdata areas, or PUMAs—town and neighborhood clusters defined by the US Census Bureau—Nassau County (Northwest)-North Hempstead has the second-highest Human Development (HD) Index score, 9.10.
- No Long Island PUMAs have scores among the bottom ten on the HD Index.
- In Nassau County, 32 percent of workers commute to New York City.
- Suffolk County saw a 43 percent increase in its foreign-born population from 2000 to 2016.
- Nassau County saw a 26 percent increase in its foreign-born population from 2000 to 2016.

Top- and Bottom-Scoring Areas by HD Index

RANK	PUMA NAME	HD INDEX
TOP 10		
1	NY: NYC-Manhattan Community District 8-Upper East Side	9.36
2	NY: Nassau County (Northwest)-North Hempstead	9.10
3	NY: NYC-Manhattan Community Districts 1 & 2-Battery Park City, Greenwich Village & Soho	8.97
4	NJ: Bergen County (East)-Tenafly, Park Ridge & Cresskill	8.95
5	NJ: Union County (Northwest)-Summit & Westfield	8.92
6	CT: Fairfield, New Canaan, Wilton, Weston & Easton	8.88
7	NY: NYC-Manhattan Community District 7-Upper West Side & West Side	8.86
8	NY: Westchester County (Northeast)-Chappaqua, Pound Ridge, Bedford Hills, Katonah	8.81
9	NY: NYC-Manhattan Community District 6-Murray Hill, Gramercy & Stuyvesant Town	8.76
10	NY: NYC-Brooklyn Community District 6-Park Slope, Carroll Gardens & Red Hook	8.70

Sources: Life expectancy: Measure of America calculations using mortality data from the Connecticut Department of Public Health, NJ Department of Health, New York State Department of Health, and the New York City Department of Health and Mental Hygiene and population data from CDC Wonder and the US Census Bureau, 2010-2014. Education and earnings: US Census Bureau ACS, 2015.

Health, Education, and Earnings on Long Island

- Nassau County (Northwest)-North Hempstead has the fifth-highest life expectancy in the metro area, 88.3 years.
- No Long Island PUMAs are among the bottom ten for life expectancy.
- Nassau County (Northwest)-North Hempstead has the fourth-highest score on the Education Index, calculated using school enrollment and educational attainment rates.
- Suffolk County (Central)-Islip Town (Northwest) is among the bottom ten scoring areas by Education Index at 3.24.
- No Long Island PUMAs rank among the top or bottom ten in terms of median personal earnings for the New York metro area.

Long Island and the Five New Yorks

Gilded New York

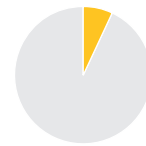
- With an average HD Index score of 9.18, residents of Gilded New York enjoy higher levels of well-being and greater access to opportunity than people almost anywhere else in the country.

- Two in every three workers are employed in the highest-paying occupational category, and median personal earnings are just shy of \$70,000.
- Nassau County (Northwest)-North Hempstead Town (North) is a Gilded New York community.

Opportunity Rich New York

- The average Opportunity-Rich HD Index score of 7.68 is higher than the well-being score of every US state.
- Median personal earnings, \$50,342, surpass the metro area median by more than \$11,000.
- Nassau County (Central)-Hempstead Town (East Central), Nassau County (Northwest)-Oyster Bay Town (North) and Glen Cove City, Nassau County (Southwest)-Hempstead Town (Southwest) and Long Beach City, Nassau County (West Central)-North Hempstead Town (South), Suffolk County (Northwest)-Huntington Town (South), Nassau County (East Central)-Oyster Bay Town (Central), Suffolk County (Northwest)-Huntington Town (North), Nassau County (West Central)-Hempstead Town (Northwest), Nassau County (South Central)-Hempstead Town (Southeast), and Suffolk County (North Central)-Brookhaven Town (North) are all Opportunity-Rich communities on Long Island.

Opportunity Rich New Yorkers



7%
Child poverty
(under 18)



66%
Preschool
enrollment

Main Street New York

- The HD Index value of 6.32 is higher than that of 391 of the 435 US congressional districts.
- Of the roughly four in ten households that rent, more than half spend more than 30 percent of their incomes on housing.
- Nassau County (Southeast)-Oyster Bay Town (South), Nassau County (West Central)-Hempstead Town (West Central), Nassau County (Central)-Hempstead Town (Northeast), Suffolk County (East), Suffolk County (Southwest)-Islip Town (South), South County (Central)-Brookhaven Town (West Central), Suffolk County (Central)-Brookhaven Town (Central), Suffolk County (Southwest)-Babylon Town (Southeast), Suffolk County (South Central)-Brookhaven Town (South), and Suffolk County (West Central)-Babylon Town (Northwest) are Main Street communities on Long Island.

Struggling New York

- Struggling New York averages 4.88 on the HD Index.
- People living in Struggling New York experience many more barriers to opportunity and have lower levels of well-being, on average, than people in the greater New York metro area or in the country as a whole.
- Hempstead (North Central)-Meadowbrook Corridor and Islip (Northwest) are Struggling New York PUMAs on Long Island.

Precarious New York

- There are no Precarious New York communities on Long Island.

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