

Near South Side Neighborhood

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Introduction and Background

This Neighborhood Portrait data profile was prepared by Data You Can Use with the support of Urban Economic Development Association of Wisconsin (UEDA). The framework is based on input and advice from community organizers working in the neighborhoods supported by Milwaukee's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program. The original set of neighborhood portraits were released by Data You Can Use in 2016 using 2010-2014 American Community Survey 5-year estimates. This document is part of the first update to those original Neighborhood Portraits and has been edited in response to community feedback following the release and use of the original portraits.

Data You Can Use and our partners hope that these tables continue to be used by those working in Milwaukee neighborhoods in their work planning, organizing, and funding development work and programing. It is designed to be used with their staff, their partners, their funders, their elected officials, and the residents of their neighborhoods, and can be used to supplement and support the stories and anecdotes of residents to build a case for needed resources, and to identify more questions.

As part of the release of the updated Neighborhood Portraits, related training on the use of census data was conducted and offered to the neighborhood partners. A final draft of each Portrait was reviewed by these same partners, and neighborhood organizers shared the ideas, stories, and strategies that they derived from the data.

With each update to the Neighborhood Portraits, Data You Can Use strives to provide both timely data and improvements to the way data is displayed and/or the topics covered. Data You Can Use actively maintains a "wish list" of hopeful future improvements for the Neighborhood Portraits; please reach out to us if you have any questions, comments, or recommendations for future expansion of this project to new topics or neighborhoods in Milwaukee at connectwithus@datayoucanuse.org.

About the Data and Acknowledgements

Data Sources

This data portrait uses data from the 2019-2023 American Community Survey (ACS) 5-year estimates, which was the most up-to-date data at the time of the writing of this report. Specific source tables from the ACS are cited below each table within this report.

Census tracts 157, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168 and 1865 were used to define the Near South Side neighborhood for the purposes of this report. These tracts were chosen based on Neighborhood Strategic Planning Area (NSP) boundaries and in consultation with our neighborhood partners. The tables in the report describe the population that live within these census tracts. Please note that the boundaries of these tracts may differ from neighborhood or NSP boundaries.

Data Quality and Reliability

The data found in this report is from the American Community Survey and is some of the best data available that describes the people, households, families, and housing in Milwaukee neighborhoods. The American Community Survey data is collected by the U.S. Census Bureau, which holds its data to high standards.

It is also important to note that numbers and percentages included in this report are considered estimates. This is because the Census Bureau uses a sample of the population when they conduct the survey, which creates some level of uncertainty. The data presented here have a margin of error associated with each data point, which is a measure of the possible variation of the estimate and the true population value of each number. The margin of error helps data users understand the reliability of each data point.

We have chosen not to include margin of error for the estimates in the tables below so that the tables are clearer and easier to use. If you would like more information about data reliability for the tables in this report or would like to know the margin of error for a particular estimate, please reach out to our team at Data You Can Use. If you want to learn more about the American Community Survey, please refer to the handbook for American Community Survey Data Users.

Acknowledgements and Contact

This report was prepared by Data You Can Use in collaboration with community partners and stakeholders working in the Near South Side neighborhood in Milwaukee, Wisconsin.

Please reach out to Data You Can Use with questions about this report or the data it contains at connectwithus@datayoucanuse.org.

Section One | Population Characteristics

Table 1: Population by Race

	Near So	uth Side	City of M	ilwaukee
	Estimate	%	Estimate	%
Total Population	19,471	100.0%	569,756	100.0%
Hispanic or Latino	13,503	69.3%	117,786	20.7%
White Alone (Not Hispanic or Latino)	2,689	13.8%	183,984	32.3%
Black or African American Alone (Not Hispanic or Latino)	2,192	11.3%	216,874	38.1%
American Indian and Alaska Native Alone (Not Hispanic or Latino)	104	0.5%	2,331	0.4%
Asian Alone (Not Hispanic or Latino)	384	2.0%	27,314	4.8%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander Alone (Not Hispanic or Latino)	-	0.0%	20	0.0%
Some Other Race Alone (Not Hispanic or Latino)	22	0.1%	1,560	0.3%
Two or More Races (Not Hispanic or Latino)	577	3.0%	19,887	3.5%

Data Source: 2019 - 2023 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates, table B03002

- 11.3% of Near South Side neighborhood residents identify as Black or African American alone, which is less than the percentage for the City of Milwaukee as a whole (38.1%).
- 69.3% of Near South Side neighborhood residents identify as Hispanic or Latino, greater than the City of Milwaukee as a whole (20.7%).

Table 2: Population by Age and Sex

Near South Side

City of Milwaukee

	Tot	al		Total		·		
	Estimate	%	Male	Female	Estimate	%	Male	Female
Total	19,471		10,120	9,351	569,756		275,637	294,119
Under 5 years	1,440	7.4%	8.9%	5.7%	39,541	6.9%	7.3%	6.6%
5 to 9 years	1,696	8.7%	7.0%	10.5%	39,906	7.0%	7.5%	6.6%
10 to 14 years	1,906	9.8%	8.1%	11.7%	42,729	7.5%	7.9%	7.2%
15 to 19 years	2,031	10.4%	10.4%	10.5%	43,781	7.7%	8.0%	7.4%
20 to 24 years	1,098	5.6%	6.0%	5.2%	46,073	8.1%	8.2%	8.0%
25 to 29 years	1,347	6.9%	8.2%	5.5%	51,041	9.0%	8.9%	9.0%
30 to 34 years	1,368	7.0%	6.0%	8.1%	45,800	8.0%	8.1%	7.9%
35 to 39 years	1,509	7.7%	7.7%	7.8%	38,949	6.8%	6.7%	7.0%
40 to 44 years	1,283	6.6%	6.3%	6.9%	35,365	6.2%	6.1%	6.3%
45 to 49 years	1,391	7.1%	7.5%	6.7%	30,440	5.3%	5.2%	5.4%
50 to 54 years	1,038	5.3%	6.1%	4.5%	29,964	5.3%	5.1%	5.4%
55 to 59 years	786	4.0%	3.6%	4.5%	31,055	5.5%	5.3%	5.6%
60 to 64 years	811	4.2%	3.9%	4.5%	28,148	4.9%	4.9%	4.9%
65 to 69 years	825	4.2%	5.0%	3.4%	24,180	4.2%	4.0%	4.5%
70 to 74 years	425	2.2%	2.0%	2.4%	17,879	3.1%	3.1%	3.2%
75 to 79 years	191	1.0%	0.9%	1.0%	10,141	1.8%	1.6%	1.9%
80 to 84 years	136	0.7%	0.9%	0.5%	7,016	1.2%	1.0%	1.4%
85 years and over	190	1.0%	1.4%	0.5%	7,748	1.4%	0.9%	1.8%

Data Source: 2019 - 2023 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates, table B01001

- 52.0% of the residents in the Near South Side neighborhood are male and 48.0% are female.
- 36.3% of the residents in the Near South Side neighborhood are under 20 years old compared to 29.1% in the City of Milwaukee overall.
- 9.1% of the residents in the Near South Side neighborhood are aged 65 or over compared to 11.7% in the City of Milwaukee overall.

Table 3: Residents Living in Poverty by Age

Near South SideCity of Milwaukeemate%Estimate%

	Estimate	%	Estimate	%
Total Population *	19,415		555,150	
Income in the past 12 months below poverty level	7,212	37.1%	129,368	23.3%
Under 5 years	779	10.8%	13,179	10.2%
5 years	124	1.7%	2,770	2.1%
6 to 11 years	1,264	17.5%	17,009	13.1%
12 to 14 years	349	4.8%	7,257	5.6%
15 years	207	2.9%	2,245	1.7%
16 and 17 years	375	5.2%	4,185	3.2%
18 to 24 years	735	10.2%	17,351	13.4%
25 to 34 years	942	13.1%	18,908	14.6%
35 to 44 years	1,004	13.9%	13,025	10.1%
45 to 54 years	396	5.5%	10,430	8.1%
55 to 64 years	509	7.1%	12,094	9.3%
65 to 74 years	442	6.1%	7,091	5.5%
75 years and over	86	1.2%	3,824	3.0%

Data Source: 2019 - 2023 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates, table B17001. Note: The total population number for this table does not match the total population number that can be seen in the previous tables. This is because this table is showing data for the total population for whom poverty status can be determined – in this case, slightly fewer people from the neighborhood.

How to interpret this table

The Census Bureau defines the poverty threshold differently for each person or family. Thresholds vary by the size of the family and the age of the members and are updated for inflation on an annual basis. Read more about poverty thresholds here.

Key Takeaways

• 37.1% of Near South Side neighborhood residents live in households with incomes below the poverty line, compared to 23.3% in the City of Milwaukee overall.

Table 4: Household Characteristics

	Near So	uth Side	City of Milwaukee		
	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	
Total	6,887		231,084		
Family households	4,095	59.5%	118,965	51.5%	
Married couple family	1,843	26.8%	59,089	25.6%	
Family with male householder, no spouse present	625	9.1%	14,028	6.1%	
Family with female householder, no spouse present	1,627	23.6%	45,848	19.8%	
Non-family Households	2,792	40.5%	112,119	48.5%	
Householder living alone	2,346	34.1%	89,354	38.7%	
Householder not living alone	446	6.5%	22,765	9.9%	

Average Household Size	2.83*	2.40

Data Source: 2019 - 2023 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates, tables B11001 and S1101 *Note: the average household for Near South Side is an estimate calculated by dividing the estimated total number of residents in the neighborhood by the estimated total number of households. This methodology is the same as the methodology used by the U.S. Census.

How to interpret this table

The Census Bureau defines a family as "a group of two people or more (one of whom is the householder) related by birth, marriage, or adoption and residing together; all such people (including related subfamily members) are considered as members of one family."

- 34.1% of households in the Near South Side neighborhood are occupied by individuals living alone, less than the rate for the City of Milwaukee (38.7%).
- The estimated average household size for the Near South Side neighborhood is 2.83 people per household, which is greater than the average household size for the City of Milwaukee as a whole (2.40).

Table 5: Vehicles per Household

	Near So	uth Side	City of M	ilwaukee
	Estimate	%	Estimate	%
Total Households	6,887		231,084	
No vehicle available	1,308	19.0%	37,805	16.4%
1 vehicle available	3,013	43.7%	105,514	45.7%
2 vehicles available	1,761	25.6%	64,698	28.0%
3 vehicles available	666	9.7%	17,582	7.6%
4 or more vehicles available	139	2.0%	5,485	2.4%

Data Source: 2019 - 2023 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates, table B08021

Key Takeaways

• Approximately 19.0% of households in the Near South Side neighborhood do not have access to a vehicle, a larger percentage than the rate of the City of Milwaukee as a whole (16.4%).

Table 6: Employment Status by Sex

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City of Milwaukee

	Estimate	Labor Force Participation Rate	Employment/ Population Ratio	Unemployment Rate	Not Working	Estimate	Labor Force Participation Rate	Employment/ Population Ratio	Unemployment Rate	Not Working
Population Age 20-64 Years	10,631	70.9%	65.6%	7.3%	34.3%	336,835	76.0%	71.5%	5.9%	28.5%
	5 400	ter	7.40		05.79		70.07	70.07	~	07.00

Male	5,609	79.4%	74.3%	6.3%	25.7%	161,998	78.2%	72.9%	6.6%	27.0%
Female	5,022	61.3%	55.9%	8.8%	44.1%	174,837	74.1%	70.2%	5.2%	29.8%

Data Source: 2019 - 2023 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates, table \$2301

How to interpret this table

- The **labor force participation rate** refers to the proportion of the population age 20-64 that is either working or actively looking for work.
- The **employment/population ratio** is the proportion of the population age 20-64 that is working.
- Unemployment rate is the percentage of those in the labor force who are not working.
- In this table, **not working** refers to the combined percentage of people who are not in the labor force and those who are in the labor force but are unemployed.

Key Takeaways

Employment status is separated by sex to identify and study gender disparities in the workforce, specifically to understand how employment opportunities, rates, and job types differ between men and women.

- 70.9% of Near South Side neighborhood residents ages 20-64 are participating in the labor force by working or actively looking for work, less than the rate for the City of Milwaukee (76%).
- 7.3% of the labor force from the Near South Side neighborhood is unemployed and looking for work, greater than the City of Milwaukee (5.9%).

Table 7: Commute Method and Time to Work

	Near So	uth Side	City of M	ilwaukee
	Estimate	%	Estimate	%
COMMUTE METHOD				
Total workers 16 and over	7,656		259,913	
Drove alone in car, truck, or van	4,682	61.2%	176,329	67.8%
Carpooled in car, truck, or van	1,135	14.8%	25,886	10.0%
Public transportation	566	7.4%	13,928	5.4%
Taxicab	53	0.7%	797	0.3%
Motorcycle	-	0.0%	84	0.0%
Bicycle	98	1.3%	1,252	0.5%
Walked	451	5.9%	10,276	4.0%
Other means	9	0.1%	2,127	0.8%
Worked from home	662	8.6%	29,234	11.2%
COMMUTE TIME				
Total workers 16 and over who did not work from home	6,994		230,679	
Less than 10 minutes	1,003	14.3%	24,425	10.6%
10 to 19 minutes	2,685	38.4%	83,524	36.2%
20 to 29 minutes	1,480	21.2%	61,058	26.5%
30 to 39 minutes	1,094	15.6%	38,412	16.7%
40 to 59 minutes	443	6.3%	12,884	5.6%
60 to 89 minutes	214	3.1%	6,632	2.9%
90 minutes or more	75	1.1%	3,744	1.6%
Mean travel time to work (minutes)	21	.4	22	2.4

Data Source: 2019 - 2023 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates, tables B08301 and B08303. Mean travel time to work for Near South Side is calculated based on table B08303. Mean travel time to work for City of Milwaukee is taken from table S0801.

- 61.2% of Near South Side neighborhood working residents ages 16 and over drive alone in a car, truck, or van to work, a smaller percentage than the City of Milwaukee overall (67.8%).
- The mean travel time to work in the Near South Side neighborhood is 21.4 minutes, compared to 22.4 minutes in the City of Milwaukee.

Table 8: Employment Sector by Sex

Near South Side

City of Milwaukee

	Total					Total		
	Estimate	%	Male	Female	Estimate	%	Male	Female
Civilian employed population 16 years and over	7,770		4,620	3,150	264,398		129,887	134,511
Management, business, science, and arts occupations	1,460	18.8%	16.5%	22.1%	90,892	34.4%	29.3%	39.3%
Service occupations	1,806	23.2%	19.9%	28.2%	57,165	21.6%	17.1%	26.0%
Sales and office occupations	1,137	14.6%	8.5%	23.7%	47,300	17.9%	12.8%	22.8%
Natural resources, construction, and maintenance occupations	1,046	13.5%	21.5%	1.7%	15,782	6.0%	11.4%	0.7%
Production, transportation, and material moving occupations	2,321	29.9%	33.7%	24.3%	53,259	20.1%	29.4%	11.2%

Data Source: 2019 - 2023 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates, table \$2301

- The most common employment sectors for Near South Side neighborhood residents are production, transportation, and material moving occupations, which accounts for 29.9% of the employed population in the Near South Side neighborhood.
- 40.5% of the civilian employed population in the Near South Side neighborhood is female, compared to 50.9% in the City of Milwaukee.

Table 9: Educational Attainment

Tota			Total				
nate	%	Male	Female	Estimate	%	Male	Female
393		1,034	859	66,266		32,587	33,679
	01.407	0.4.007	1.4.007	0.551	10.007	1.5.007	10.707

City of Milwaukee

	Estimate	%	Male	Female	Estimate	%	Male	Female
Population 18 to 24 years	1,893		1,034	859	66,266		32,587	33,679
Less than high school graduate	406	21.4%	26.9%	14.9%	8,551	12.9%	15.2%	10.6%
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	1,052	55.6%	51.5%	60.4%	24,780	37.4%	39.0%	35.9%
Some college or associate's degree	272	14.4%	13.8%	15.0%	26,158	39.5%	37.6%	41.3%
Bachelor's degree or higher	163	8.6%	7.7%	9.7%	6,777	10.2%	8.2%	12.2%

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Population 25 years and over	11,300		6,026	5,274	357,726		168,808	188,918
Less than 9th grade	2,129	18.8%	17.9%	20.0%	20,819	5.8%	6.5%	5.2%
9th to 12th grade, no diploma	1,799	15.9%	17.2%	14.5%	30,951	8.7%	9.1%	8.2%
High school graduate (includes equivalency)	4,153	36.8%	36.3%	37.3%	110,313	30.8%	32.7%	29.2%
Some college, no degree	1,327	11.7%	11.3%	12.2%	74,613	20.9%	20.5%	21.2%
Associate's degree	513	4.5%	3.7%	5.5%	26,030	7.3%	6.6%	7.9%
Bachelor's degree	1,065	9.4%	10.4%	8.3%	61,503	17.2%	16.4%	17.9%
Graduate or professional degree	314	2.8%	3.2%	2.3%	33,497	9.4%	8.2%	10.4%
High school graduate or higher	7,372	65.2%	65.0%	65.5%	305,956	85.5%	84.4%	86.5%
Bachelor's degree or higher	1,379	12.2%	13.7%	10.5%	95,000	26.6%	24.6%	28.3%

Data Source: 2019 - 2023 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates, table \$1501

Key Takeaways

• In the Near South Side neighborhood, 65.2% of residents over 25 years old have graduated from high school or higher, a smaller percentage than the City of Milwaukee overall (85.5%).

Section Two | Housing and Household Characteristics

Table 10: Housing Occupancy and Tenure

	Near So	uth Side	City of Milwaukee		
	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	
Total Housing Units	7,620		257,973		
Vacant Housing Units	733	9.6%	26,889	10.4%	
Occupied Housing Units	6,887	90.4%	231,084	89.6%	
Owner-occupied housing units	1,884	27.4%	95,890	41.5%	
Renter-occupied housing units	5,003	72.6%	135,194	58.5%	

Data Source: 2019 - 2023 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates, table DP04

- Of the occupied housing units in the Near South Side neighborhood, 27.4% are owner-occupied, which is less than the City of Milwaukee rate (41.5%).
- 9.6% of housing units in the Near South Side neighborhood are vacant, compared to 10.4% in the City of Milwaukee as a whole.

Table 11: Units in Structure for Occupied Housing Units

	Near South Side			City of Milwaukee		
	Occupied Housing Units Estimates	Owner-Occupied Housing Units	Renter-Occupied Housing Units	Occupied Housing Units Estimates	Owner-Occupied Housing Units	Renter Occupied Housing Units
Occupied housing units	6,887	1,884	5,003	231,084	95,890	135,194
Occupied housing units %		27.4%	72.6%		41.5%	58.5%
UNITS IN STRUCTURE						
1, detached	2,370	72.4%	20.1%	95,604	75.8%	17.0%
1, attached	193	1.5%	3.3%	9,414	3.9%	4.2%
2 apartments	2,147	21.7%	34.7%	48,141	12.7%	26.6%
3 or 4 apartments	663	2.8%	12.2%	16,325	1.1%	11.3%
5 to 9 apartments	309	0.0%	6.2%	13,241	0.8%	9.2%
10 or more apartments	1,205	1.6%	23.5%	47,421	5.3%	31.4%
Mobile home or other type of housing	-	0.0%	0.0%	938	0.5%	0.3%

Data Source: 2019 - 2023 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates, table \$2504

- Of the owner-occupied housing units in the Near South Side neighborhood, 21.7% are duplexes (2 apartments) compared to 12.7% in the City of Milwaukee.
- 23.5% of renter-occupied units in the Near South Side neighborhood are buildings with 10 or more apartments, compared to 31.4% in the City of Milwaukee as a whole.

Table 12: Housing Unit Bedrooms and Year Built

	Near Sout	h Side	City of Milwaukee		
	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	
Total housing units	7,620		257,973		
BEDROOMS					
No bedroom	493	6.5%	10,189	3.9%	
1 bedroom	1,182	15.5%	42,249	16.4%	
2 bedrooms	2,645	34.7%	89,035	34.5%	
3 bedrooms	2,292	30.1%	86,249	33.4%	
4 bedrooms	828	10.9%	24,636	9.5%	
5 or more bedrooms	180	2.4%	5,615	2.2%	
YEAR STRUCTURE BUILT					
Built 2014 or later	97	1.3%	865	0.3%	
Built 2010 to 2013	499	6.5%	8,912	3.5%	
Built 2000 to 2009	234	3.1%	9,624	3.7%	
Built 1990 to 1999	272	3.6%	9,050	3.5%	
Built 1980 to 1989	94	1.2%	9,701	3.8%	
Built 1970 to 1979	252	3.3%	23,773	9.2%	
Built 1960 to 1969	246	3.2%	29,874	11.6%	
Built 1950 to 1959	390	5.1%	48,618	18.8%	
Built 1940 to 1949	505	6.6%	28,114	10.9%	
Built 1939 or earlier	5,031	66.0%	89,442	34.7%	

Data Source: 2019 - 2023 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates, table DP04

- 15.5% of the housing units in the Near South Side neighborhood have only one bedroom, compared with 16.4% in the City of Milwaukee.
- Of all the housing units in the Near South Side neighborhood, 66.0% were built in 1939 or earlier, compared to 34.7% in the city overall.

Table 13: Gross Rent and Gross Rent as a Percentage of Household Income

	Near So	Near South Side		ilwaukee
	Estimate	%	Estimate	%
GROSS RENT				
Occupied units paying rent	4,812		131,926	
Less than \$500	344	7.1%	9,220	7.0%
\$500 to \$999	2,289	47.6%	52,291	39.6%
\$1,000 to \$1,499	1,649	34.3%	50,434	38.2%
\$1,500 to \$1,999	398	8.3%	14,154	10.7%
\$2,000 to \$2,499	59	1.2%	3,120	2.4%
\$2,500 to \$2,999	41	0.9%	1,261	1.0%
\$3,000 or more	32	0.7%	1,446	1.1%

GROSS RENT AS A PERCENTAGE OF HOUSEHOLD INCOME						
Occupied units paying rent*	4,668		127,208			
Less than 15.0 percent	539	11.5%	17,567	13.8%		
15.0 to 19.9 percent	541	11.6%	15,199	11.9%		
20.0 to 24.9 percent	465	10.0%	15,630	12.3%		
25.0 to 29.9 percent	528	11.3%	14,178	11.1%		
30.0 to 34.9 percent	276	5.9%	10,508	8.3%		
35.0 percent or more	2,319	49.7%	54,126	42.5%		
Not computed	335		7,986			

Data Source: 2019 - 2023 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates, table DP04. *Note: This table excludes units for which gross rent as a percentage of household income cannot be calculated.

Key Takeaways

 55.6% of Near South Side neighborhood households paying rent paid 30 percent or more of their household income towards rent, compared to 50.8% of the City of Milwaukee as a whole. Households that spend 30 percent or more of their household income on rent or housing expenses are considered cost burdened.

Table 14: Mortgage Status and Cost (Owner-Occupied Units)

	Near So	uth Side	City of Milwaukee	
	Estimate	%	Estimate	%
MORTGAGE STATUS				
Owner-occupied units	1,884		95,890	
Housing units with a mortgage	1,024	54.4%	62,416	65.1%
Housing units without a mortgage	860	45.6%	33,474	34.9%
SELECTED MONTHLY OWNER COSTS				
Housing units with a mortgage	1,024		62,416	
Less than \$500		0.0%	112	0.2%
\$500 to \$900	345	33.7%	7,555	12.1%
\$1,000 to \$1,499	347	33.9%	23,888	38.3%
\$1,500 to \$1,999	267	26.1%	18,731	30.0%
\$2,000 to \$2,499	-	0.0%	6,664	10.7%
\$2,500 to \$2,999	49	4.8%	2,616	4.2%
\$3,000 or more	16	1.6%	2,850	4.6%
Housing units without a mortgage	860		33,474	
Less than \$250		0.0%	680	2.0%
\$250 to \$399	197	22.9%	2,864	8.6%
\$400 to \$599	396	46.0%	10,154	30.3%
\$600 to \$799	183	21.3%	10,787	32.2%
\$800 to \$999	50	5.8%	4,873	14.6%
\$1,000 or more	34	4.0%	4,116	12.3%

Data Source: 2019 - 2023 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates, table DP04

Key Takeaways

• Of all owner-occupied houses in the Near South Side neighborhood, 54.4% have a mortgage, compared to 65.1% in the City of Milwaukee.

Table 15: Mortgage Cost as a Percentage of Household Income (Owner-Occupied Units)

	Near So	uth Side	City of Milwaukee		
	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	
Housing units with a mortgage*	1,024		61,649		
Less than 20.0%	313	30.6%	26,751	43.4%	
20.0 to 24.9%	180	17.6%	9,098	14.8%	
25.0 to 29.9%	119	11.6%	6,589	10.7%	
30.0 to 34.9%	153	14.9%	4,465	7.2%	
35.0% or more	259	25.3%	14,746	23.9%	
Not computed			767		
Housing units without a mortgage*	847		32,782		
Less than 10.0%	252	29.8%	11,062	33.7%	
10.0 to 14.9%	125	14.8%	6,717	20.5%	
15.0 to 19.9%	260	30.7%	4,513	13.8%	
20.0 to 24.9%	94	11.1%	2,567	7.8%	
25.0 to 29.9%	45	5.3%	1,881	5.7%	
30.0 to 34.9%	-	0.0%	1,116	3.4%	
35.0% or more	71	8.4%	4,926	15.0%	
Not computed	13		692		

Data Source: 2019 - 2023 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates, table DP04. *Note: This table excludes households where selected monthly owner costs as a percentage of household income (SMOCAPI) could not be calculated.

- A quarter (25.3%) of all owner-occupied units with a mortgage in the Near South Side neighborhood pay 35 percent or more of their household income towards housing costs, similar to the City of Milwaukee as a whole (23.9%).
- Nearly a third (30.6%) of all owner-occupied units with a mortgage in the Near South Side neighborhood pay less than 20 percent of their household income towards housing costs, compared to 43.4% in the City of Milwaukee as a whole.

Table 16: Household Income in the Past 12 Months and Median Income

	Near So	outh Side	City of Milwaukee		
	Estimate	%	Estimate	%	
Total	6,887		231,084		
Less than \$10,000	500	7.3%	18,168	7.9%	
\$10,000 to \$14,999	670	9.7%	15,286	6.6%	
\$15,000 to \$19,999	206	3.0%	9,909	4.3%	
\$20,000 to \$24,999	484	7.0%	12,464	5.4%	
\$25,000 to \$29,999	595	8.6%	12,773	5.5%	
\$30,000 to \$34,999	607	8.8%	11,338	4.9%	
\$35,000 to \$39,999	430	6.2%	10,688	4.6%	
\$40,000 to \$44,999	516	7.5%	11,103	4.8%	
\$45,000 to \$49,999	348	5.1%	10,068	4.4%	
\$50,000 to \$59,999	632	9.2%	19,588	8.5%	
\$60,000 to \$74,999	614	8.9%	22,036	9.5%	
\$75,000 to \$99,999	536	7.8%	27,699	12.0%	
\$100,000 to \$124,999	329	4.8%	18,575	8.0%	
\$125,000 to \$149,999	75	1.1%	10,731	4.6%	
\$150,000 to \$199,999	225	3.3%	11,555	5.0%	
\$200,000 or more	120	1.7%	9,103	3.9%	

Median Household Income	\$39,435	\$51,888

Data Source: 2019 - 2023 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates, table B19001. Median Household Income for Near South Side is calculated based on table B19001. Median Household Income for City of Milwaukee is taken from table S1901.

- Approximately 10.9% of households in the Near South Side neighborhood make \$100,000 or more per year, which is a smaller percentage than the City of Milwaukee as a whole (21.5%).
- The median household income in the Near South Side neighborhood is \$39,435, less than the median household income for the City of Milwaukee as a whole (\$51,888).