

APPENDIX 1: DEMOGRAPHICS OF THE ADULT POPULATION IN LOWER-, MIDDLE- AND UPPER-INCOME HOUSEHOLDS

Characteristics of the Adult Population, Middle Income and All, 1971-2011

% distribution

	Adults in Middle-Income Households						All Adults					
	1971	1981	1991	2001	2011	Change, 1971-2011	1971	1981	1991	2001	2011	Change, 1971-2011
Age												
18-29	30	32	25	23	22	-8	28	30	25	22	22	-6
30-44	29	30	36	34	28	-1	26	27	33	31	26	0
45-64	31	27	25	30	34	3	31	27	26	31	35	4
65 and older	9	11	14	13	16	6	15	15	16	16	17	2
	100	100	100	100	100		100	100	100	100	100	
Race/Ethnicity*												
White	---	---	80	73	70	-10	---	---	77	70	68	-9
Hispanic	---	---	8	12	13	5	---	---	9	13	14	5
Black	---	---	9	10	11	1	---	---	11	11	12	0
Asian/Pacific Islander	---	---	3	4	5	2	---	---	3	4	5	2
Other	---	---	1	1	2	1	---	---	1	1	2	1
	---	---	100	100	100		---	---	100	100	100	
Nativity*												
Native born	---	---	---	87	86	-1	---	---	---	86	85	-2
Foreign born	---	---	---	13	14	1	---	---	---	14	15	2
	---	---	---	100	100		---	---	---	100	100	
Marital status												
Married, spouse present	74	66	62	59	55	-18	69	62	58	56	52	-17
Never married	16	20	22	24	27	11	16	20	22	24	27	11
Married, spouse absent/ separated/divorced	5	8	11	13	13	8	6	10	12	14	14	8
Widowed	6	5	5	5	5	-1	8	8	7	7	6	-2
	100	100	100	100	100		100	100	100	100	100	

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Characteristics of the Adult Population, Middle Income and All, 1971-2011 (Cont.)

% distribution

	Adults in Middle-Income Households						All Adults					
	1971	1981	1991	2001	2011	Change, 1971-2011	1971	1981	1991	2001	2011	Change, 1971-2011
Education												
Less than HS diploma	35	24	16	12	10	-25	40	29	22	17	13	-26
HS diploma or equivalent	41	44	43	35	32	-9	36	39	39	32	30	-6
Some college	14	18	22	31	32	18	13	17	20	27	28	15
College grad	10	15	19	22	26	16	11	15	20	24	28	17
	100	100	100	100	100		100	100	100	100	100	
Own family and presence of own children												
Married, no child	22	23	24	23	24	2	25	24	24	24	24	-1
Married, with child	51	43	38	35	31	-20	44	37	34	31	28	-16
Unmarried	26	34	38	41	45	18	31	38	42	44	48	17
	100	100	100	100	100		100	100	100	100	100	
Gender and family												
Male												
Married	37	33	31	29	28	-9	34	31	29	28	26	-8
Unmarried	12	16	19	20	22	10	13	17	19	20	23	10
Female												
Married	37	33	31	29	28	-9	34	31	29	28	26	-8
Unmarried												
No child	12	14	15	15	17	5	14	16	16	17	18	4
With child	3	4	5	6	6	3	4	5	7	7	7	3
	100	100	100	100	100		100	100	100	100	100	

Notes: *Change for "Race/Ethnicity" is between 1991 and 2011; change for "Nativity" is between 2001 and 2011. Percentages may not add to 100% due to rounding. "Change 1971-2011" calculated before rounding. Hispanics are of any race. Whites, blacks, and Asians and Pacific Islanders are non-Hispanic, single-race-only groups. "Other" includes only non-Hispanics. "Unmarried" includes "married, spouse absent," never married, divorced, separated or widowed. "With child" includes adults with a biological, adopted or step child of any age residing in the household.

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Characteristics of the Adult Population, Lower Income and All, 1971-2011

% distribution

	Adults in Lower-Income Households						All Adults					
	1971	1981	1991	2001	2011	Change, 1971-2011	1971	1981	1991	2001	2011	Change, 1971-2011
Age												
18-29	25	28	27	24	25	1	28	30	25	22	22	-6
30-44	20	22	27	27	24	4	26	27	33	31	26	0
45-64	24	22	20	23	28	4	31	27	26	31	35	4
65 and older	31	29	26	27	23	-8	15	15	16	16	17	2
	100	100	100	100	100		100	100	100	100	100	
Race/Ethnicity*												
White	---	---	63	58	55	-9	---	---	77	70	68	-9
Hispanic	---	---	15	21	22	7	---	---	9	13	14	5
Black	---	---	19	17	17	-2	---	---	11	11	12	0
Asian/Pacific Islander	---	---	2	3	4	2	---	---	3	4	5	2
Other	---	---	1	1	2	1	---	---	1	1	2	1
	---	---	100	100	100		---	---	100	100	100	
Nativity*												
Native born	---	---	---	82	79	-3	---	---	---	86	85	-2
Foreign born	---	---	---	18	21	3	---	---	---	14	15	2
	---	---	---	100	100		---	---	---	100	100	
Marital status												
Married, spouse present	57	49	46	43	38	-19	69	62	58	56	52	-17
Never married	15	19	23	26	32	18	16	20	22	24	27	11
Married, spouse absent/ separated/divorced	11	15	17	18	20	9	6	10	12	14	14	8
Widowed	18	17	15	13	11	-7	8	8	7	7	6	-2
	100	100	100	100	100		100	100	100	100	100	

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Characteristics of the Adult Population, Lower Income and All, 1971-2011 (Cont.)

% distribution

	Adults in Lower-Income Households						All Adults					
	1971	1981	1991	2001	2011	Change, 1971-2011	1971	1981	1991	2001	2011	Change, 1971-2011
Education												
Less than HS diploma	64	53	43	34	27	-38	40	29	22	17	13	-26
HS diploma or equivalent	25	32	39	36	37	13	36	39	39	32	30	-6
Some college	7	10	12	21	25	17	13	17	20	27	28	15
College grad	3	5	6	8	11	7	11	15	20	24	28	17
	100	100	100	100	100		100	100	100	100	100	
Own family and presence of own children												
Married, no child	25	21	19	20	17	-8	25	24	24	24	24	-1
Married, with child	32	28	27	24	21	-11	44	37	34	31	28	-16
Unmarried	43	51	54	57	62	19	31	38	42	44	48	17
	100	100	100	100	100		100	100	100	100	100	
Gender and family												
Male												
Married	29	25	23	22	19	-10	34	31	29	28	26	-8
Unmarried	12	15	18	20	25	13	13	17	19	20	23	10
Female												
Married	28	24	23	22	19	-10	34	31	29	28	26	-8
Unmarried												
No child	22	24	22	23	24	2	14	16	16	17	18	4
With child	9	12	14	13	14	5	4	5	7	7	7	3
	100	100	100	100	100		100	100	100	100	100	

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Characteristics of the Adult Population, Upper Income and All, 1971-2011

% distribution

	Adults in Upper-Income Households						All Adults					
	1971	1981	1991	2001	2011	Change, 1971-2011	1971	1981	1991	2001	2011	Change, 1971-2011
Age												
18-29	25	26	21	17	17	-8	28	30	25	22	22	-6
30-44	22	28	33	31	25	2	26	27	33	31	26	0
45-64	45	39	37	43	47	1	31	27	26	31	35	4
65 and older	7	7	9	9	11	4	15	15	16	16	17	2
	100	100	100	100	100		100	100	100	100	100	
Race/Ethnicity*												
White	---	---	88	82	81	-7	---	---	77	70	68	-9
Hispanic	---	---	4	6	6	2	---	---	9	13	14	5
Black	---	---	4	6	6	1	---	---	11	11	12	0
Asian/Pacific Islander	---	---	3	6	6	3	---	---	3	4	5	2
Other	---	---	0	0	1	1	---	---	1	1	2	1
	---	---	100	100	100		---	---	100	100	100	
Nativity*												
Native born	---	---	---	89	89	0	---	---	---	86	85	-2
Foreign born	---	---	---	11	11	0	---	---	---	14	15	2
	---	---	---	100	100		---	---	---	100	100	
Marital status												
Married, spouse present	70	66	65	67	65	-4	69	62	58	56	52	-17
Never married	21	23	23	21	22	1	16	20	22	24	27	11
Married, spouse absent/ separated/divorced	5	8	9	10	10	5	6	10	12	14	14	8
Widowed	4	3	3	2	3	-1	8	8	7	7	6	-2
	100	100	100	100	100		100	100	100	100	100	

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Characteristics of the Adult Population, Upper Income and All, 1971-2011 (Cont.)

% distribution

	Adults in Upper-Income Households						All Adults					
	1971	1981	1991	2001	2011	Change, 1971-2011	1971	1981	1991	2001	2011	Change, 1971-2011
Education												
Less than HS diploma	18	9	5	4	3	-15	40	29	22	17	13	-26
HS diploma or equivalent	36	34	27	18	16	-20	36	39	39	32	30	-6
Some college	20	23	23	26	25	6	13	17	20	27	28	15
College grad	27	34	45	52	56	29	11	15	20	24	28	17
	100	100	100	100	100		100	100	100	100	100	
Own family and presence of own children												
Married, no child	34	33	33	34	34	0	25	24	24	24	24	-1
Married, with child	36	33	32	32	31	-5	44	37	34	31	28	-16
Unmarried	30	34	35	33	35	4	31	38	42	44	48	17
	100	100	100	100	100		100	100	100	100	100	
Gender and family												
Male												
Married	35	33	32	33	33	-2	34	31	29	28	26	-8
Unmarried	17	21	20	19	19	2	13	17	19	20	23	10
Female												
Married	35	33	32	33	33	-2	34	31	29	28	26	-8
Unmarried												
No child	12	12	13	12	13	1	14	16	16	17	18	4
With child	1	1	2	2	2	1	4	5	7	7	7	3
	100	100	100	100	100		100	100	100	100	100	

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