# Neighborhood Dynamics and Housing Instability

> *My mother had my older sister when she was 17—she had to drop out of school. She got a GED and she attended a college but they never sent her degree. It was a constant blow.*

*20-year-old college student, repeatedly homeless since 2006*

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The factors driving housing instability and homelessness in New York City go far beyond housing. This reality is underscored by the fact that one in five residents lacks a high school diploma and a growing number of families across the city are working in low-wage industries, struggling to make ends meet. In order to highlight the intersection of these economic pressures as well as opportunities to tailor interventions to local needs, this section uses U.S. Census, housing, and community resource data to highlight geographic factors driving housing instability across New York City as well as patterns in existing resources that present opportunities to increase community stability. Maps are shown at the City Council district level along with figures highlighting either overarching trends in the data or where each City Council district ranks in comparison to other districts.

## New Trends

Since 2005 over 13,000 units with affordability restrictions have been lost citywide. In the next five years close to 110,000 more units are at risk for ending their affordability requirements.

In the south and west Bronx, upper Manhattan, and south and central Brooklyn, over 40% of single mothers with young children were living in poverty. Single mothers with young children living in poverty face the greatest risk of homelessness in New York City.

The Bronx is home to 43% of all family shelter units but has only 21% of the City's Adult and Continuing Education centers. Ensuring that homeless families can access infrastructure to address adult education needs is critical to long-term family and housing stability.

## Key Findings

In eight City Council districts, over 30% of adults had less than a high school degree and 51% of workers were employed in low-wage occupations. These districts included the neighborhoods of East Harlem/Mott Haven, Morris Heights, Belmont, Concourse, Hunts Point, Corona, Cypress Hills, and Red Hook. (Districts 8, 14, 15, 16, 17, 21, 37, and 38)

# Neighborhoods Slated to Lose Affordable Housing

Severe rent burden and loss of affordable housing are increasing the pressure on families already struggling with housing instability. Since 2005 over 13,000 units with affordability restrictions have been lost citywide. In the next five years close to 110,000 more units are at risk for ending their affordability clauses.

The top five City Council districts for severe rent burden were in the Morris Heights and Belmont areas of the Bronx, Flushing in Queens, and Cypress Hills and Borough Park in Brooklyn. (Districts 14, 15, 20, 37, and 44)

At particularly high risk are those areas of the city with higher than average rent burden where many affordable units could be lost over the next five years. These included Belmont in the Bronx, Jamaica Center in Queens, and Bensonhurst in Brooklyn. (Districts 15, 24, and 47)

**Affordable and low-income housing are not always the same. These losses likely underestimate the true decline in low-cost housing that is needed by families on the edge of homelessness.**

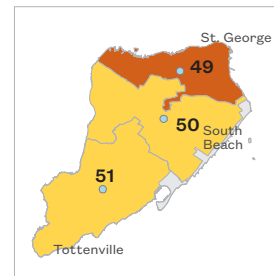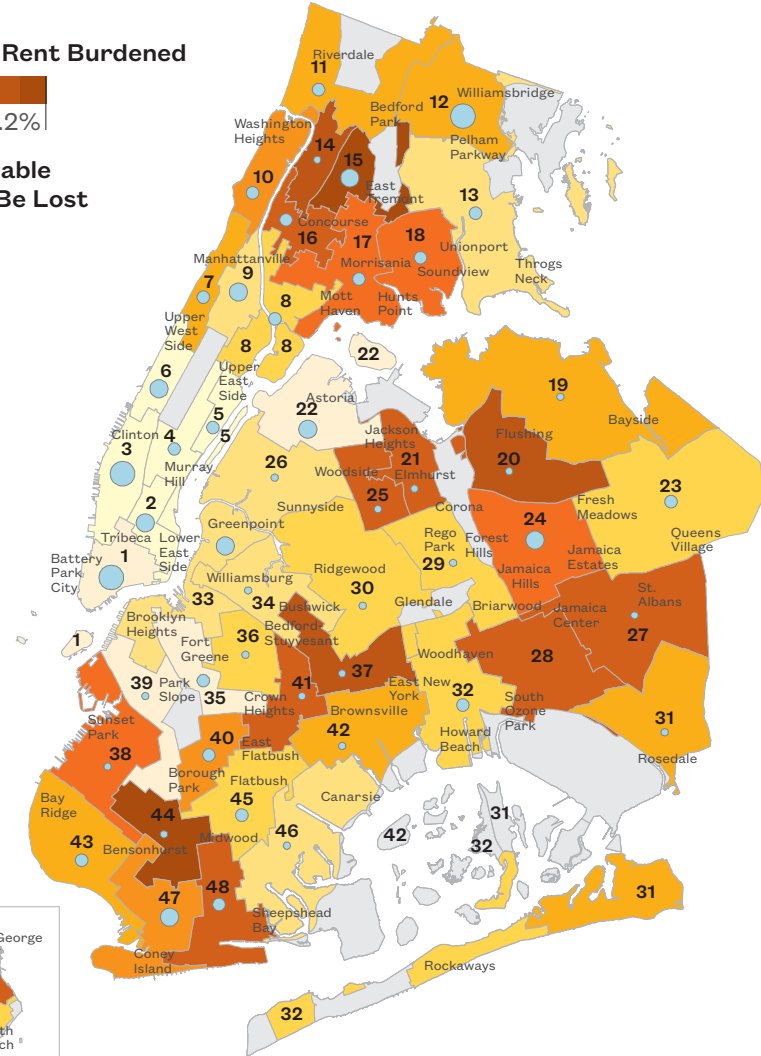## Severe Rent Burden and Disappearing Affordable Units

Percent of Households Spending 50% or More of Income on Rent and Number of Affordable Units that Could Be Lost from 2017 to 2022, by City Council District
2010–2014 5-year Estimate

**Percent Severely Rent Burdened**

19.2%          43.2%

**Number of Affordable Units that Could Be Lost**

- 14–1,259
- 1,260–2,786
- 2,787–5,127
- 5,128–15,979

Note: The margin of error for percentage values is 1.2%–3.9%. Affordable units that could be lost on the map correspond to buildings whose affordable housing subsidy will end during the selected years. District 28 does not have any affordable units that could be lost.

Source: NYU Furman Center Moelis Institute for Affordable Housing Policy, *Subsidized Housing Information Project (SHIP) database*; U.S. Census Bureau, *2014 American Community Survey 5-year Estimates.*
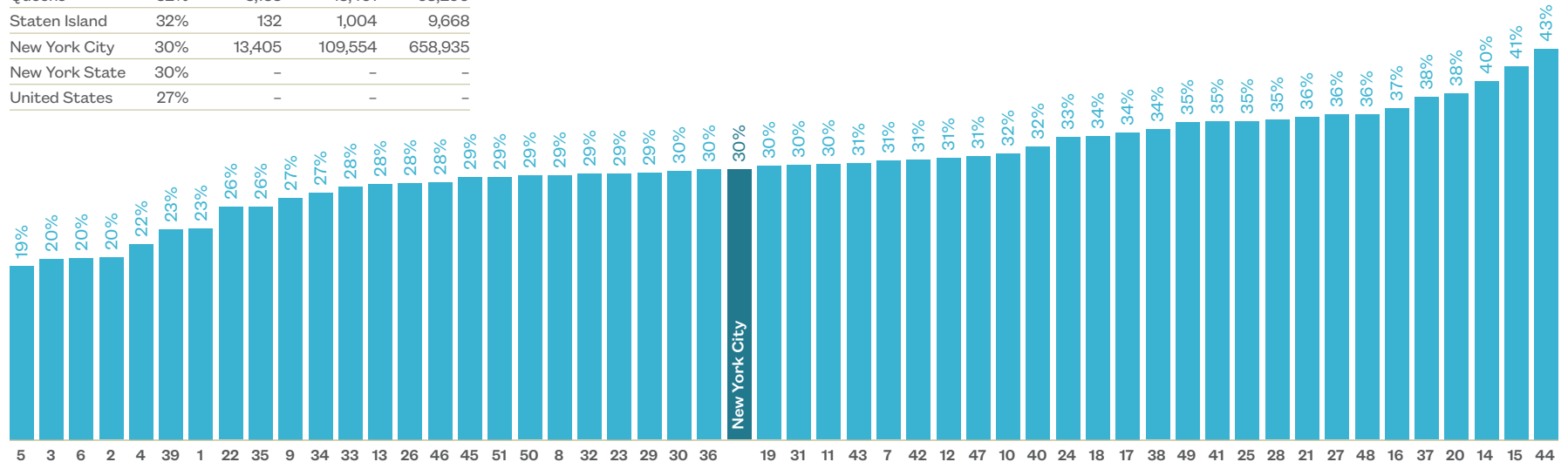
# Severe Rent Burden

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2010–2014 5-year Estimate

| | Severe Rent Burden | Affordable Units Lost 2005–2016 | Affordable Units That Could Be Lost 2017–2022 | Remaining Affordable Units |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Manhattan | 23% | 5,744 | 40,334 | 200,182 |
| Bronx | 35% | 2,032 | 29,863 | 212,108 |
| Brooklyn | 31% | 2,364 | 24,892 | 168,687 |
| Queens | 32% | 3,133 | 13,461 | 68,290 |
| Staten Island | 32% | 132 | 1,004 | 9,668 |
| New York City | 30% | 13,405 | 109,554 | 658,935 |
| New York State | 30% | – | – | – |
| United States | 27% | – | – | – |

Note: City Council district maps and tables were created using Census block group data, which are only available in five-year estimates. Affordable units are those with affordable housing subsidies.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, *2014 American Community Survey 5-year Estimates*.



Bar chart of Severe Rent Burden by City Council District:

| District | Percent |
|---|---|
| 5 | 19% |
| 3 | 20% |
| 6 | 20% |
| 2 | 20% |
| 4 | 22% |
| 39 | 23% |
| 1 | 23% |
| 22 | 26% |
| 35 | 26% |
| 9 | 27% |
| 34 | 27% |
| 33 | 28% |
| 13 | 28% |
| 26 | 28% |
| 46 | 28% |
| 45 | 29% |
| 51 | 29% |
| 50 | 29% |
| 8 | 29% |
| 32 | 29% |
| 23 | 29% |
| 29 | 30% |
| 30 | 30% |
| 36 | 30% |
| New York City | 30% |
| 19 | 30% |
| 31 | 30% |
| 11 | 30% |
| 43 | 31% |
| 7 | 31% |
| 42 | 31% |
| 12 | 31% |
| 47 | 31% |
| 10 | 32% |
| 40 | 32% |
| 24 | 33% |
| 18 | 34% |
| 17 | 34% |
| 38 | 34% |
| 49 | 35% |
| 41 | 35% |
| 25 | 35% |
| 28 | 35% |
| 21 | 36% |
| 27 | 36% |
| 48 | 36% |
| 16 | 37% |
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| 20 | 38% |
| 14 | 40% |
| 15 | 41% |
| 44 | 43% |

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# Why Education Matters

In eight City Council districts, over 30% of adults had less than a high school degree. These included the neighborhoods of **East Harlem/Mott Haven, Morris Heights, Belmont, Concourse, Hunts Point, Corona, Cypress Hills,** and **Red Hook. (Districts 8, 14, 15, 16, 17, 21, 37, and 38)**

In these eight neighborhoods with the lowest educational attainment combined, over half (51%) of workers were employed in low-wage occupations.

**Low-wage work and incomplete educations place families at risk for housing instability. Addressing the educational and employment needs of families in New York City is critical to reducing homelessness.**
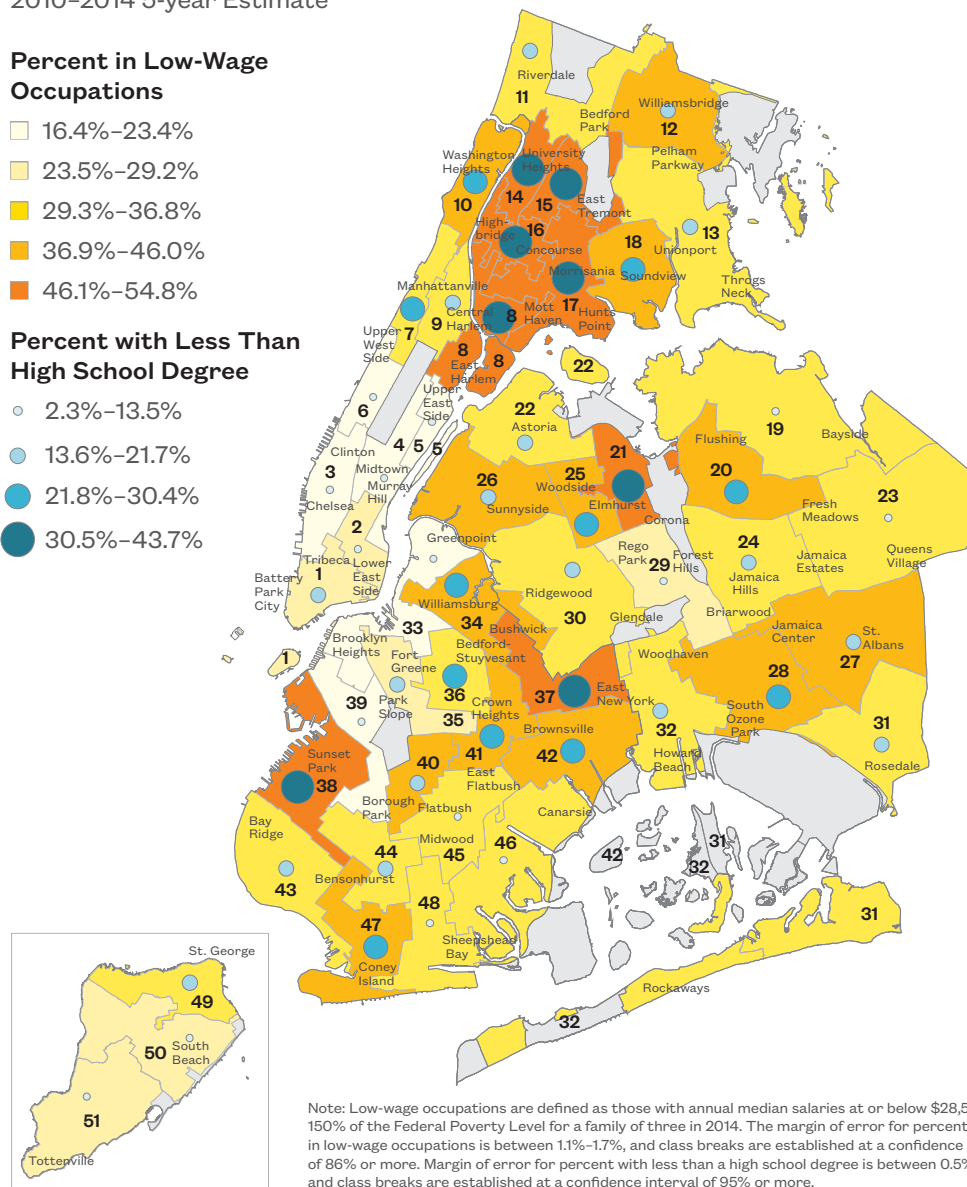
## Low-Wage Occupations and Educational Attainment

Percent of Employed People Working in Low-Wage Occupations (Median Income Less Than $29,000 per Year) and Percent of Adults 25 Years or Older with Less Than a High School Degree, by City Council District
2010–2014 5-year Estimate

**Percent in Low-Wage Occupations**
- 16.4%–23.4%
- 23.5%–29.2%
- 29.3%–36.8%
- 36.9%–46.0%
- 46.1%–54.8%

**Percent with Less Than High School Degree**
- 2.3%–13.5%
- 13.6%–21.7%
- 21.8%–30.4%
- 30.5%–43.7%



Note: Low-wage occupations are defined as those with annual median salaries at or below $28,583, 150% of the Federal Poverty Level for a family of three in 2014. The margin of error for percent employed in low-wage occupations is between 1.1%–1.7%, and class breaks are established at a confidence interval of 86% or more. Margin of error for percent with less than a high school degree is between 0.5%–1.4%, and class breaks are established at a confidence interval of 95% or more.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, *2014 American Community Survey 5-year Estimates.*

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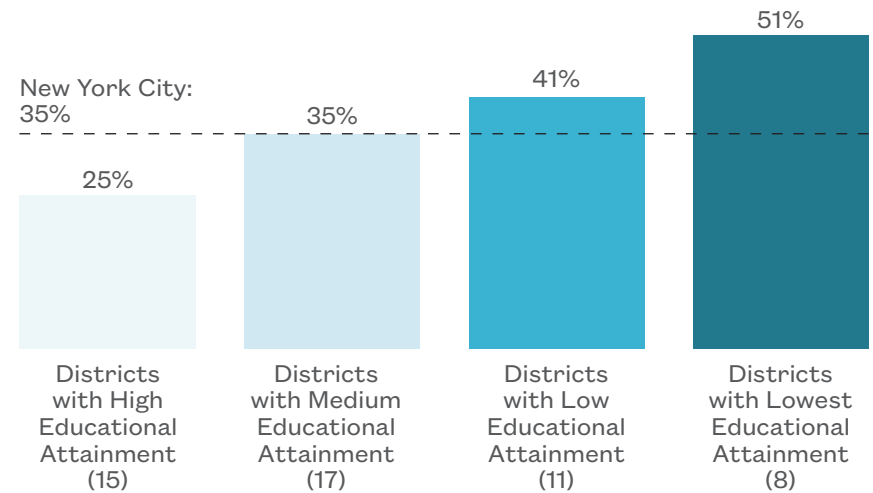2010–2014 5-year Estimate

| | Percent in Low-Wage Occupations | Percent with Less Than High School Degree |
|---|---|---|
| Manhattan | 26% | 14% |
| Bronx | 45% | 30% |
| Brooklyn | 36% | 21% |
| Queens | 38% | 20% |
| Staten Island | 28% | 12% |
| New York City | 35% | 20% |
| New York State | 34% | 15% |
| United States | 36% | 14% |

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## Percent of Workers in Low-Wage Occupations, by District's Educational Attainment

Employed People Working in Low-Wage Occupations (Median Income Less Than $29,000 per Year), by City Council District's Educational Attainment (Percent of Adults 25 Years or Older with Less Than a High School Degree)
2010–2014 5-year Estimate

New York City: 35%

| | 25% | 35% | 41% | 51% |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | Districts with High Educational Attainment (15) | Districts with Medium Educational Attainment (17) | Districts with Low Educational Attainment (11) | Districts with Lowest Educational Attainment (8) |

Note: District groups match Percent with Less Than High School map groups. Districts with high educational attainment have between 2.3%–13.5% of adults with less than a high school degree. Districts with medium educational attainment have 13.6%–21.7%; districts with low educational attainment have 21.8%–30.4%, and districts with lowest educational attainment have 30.5%–43.7% of adults with less than a high school degree.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, *2014 American Community Survey 5-year Estimates*.

# Are Education Centers Reaching Homeless Families?

Despite the demonstrated need of parents in shelter to access continuing education classes, City Council districts where shelter units are concentrated do not have more Adult and Continuing Education centers. Only 30% of centers were located in the ten City Council districts that are home to 70% of all family shelter units citywide.
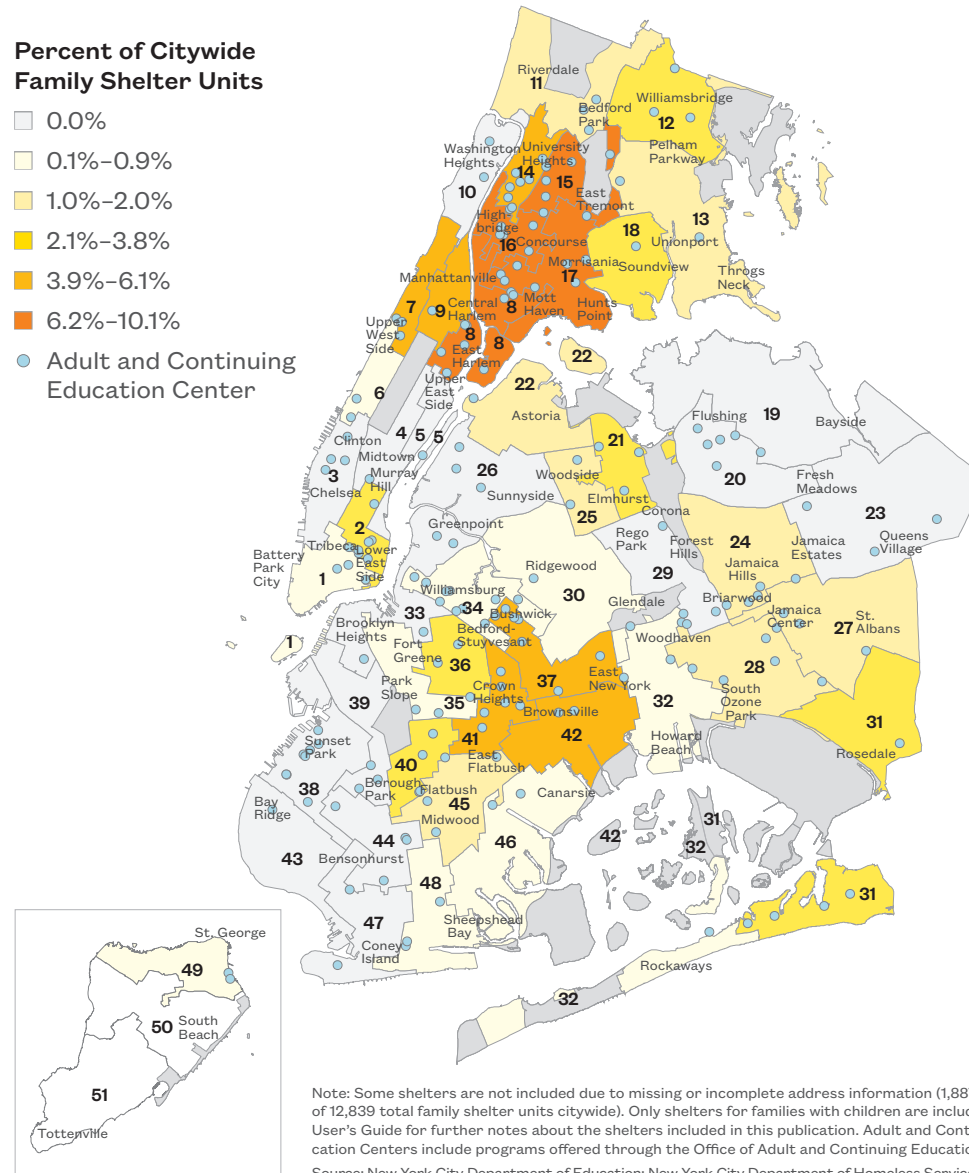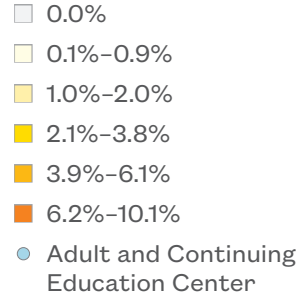
This trend was true by borough as well. The Bronx, which is home to 43% of all family shelter units, had only 21% of the city's Adult and Continuing Education centers.

Placing adult education classes in existing shelters could increase the capacity of these programs to serve homeless families and reduce barriers that prevent homeless parents from completing the program.

## Family Shelter Units and Adult and Continuing Education Centers

Percent of Citywide Family Shelter Units and Locations of Adult and Continuing Education Centers, by City Council District

December 2015

**Percent of Citywide Family Shelter Units**

- 0.0%
- 0.1%–0.9%
- 1.0%–2.0%
- 2.1%–3.8%
- 3.9%–6.1%
- 6.2%–10.1%
- ○ Adult and Continuing Education Center

Note: Some shelters are not included due to missing or incomplete address information (1,887 units out of 12,839 total family shelter units citywide). Only shelters for families with children are included. See User's Guide for further notes about the shelters included in this publication. Adult and Continuing Education Centers include programs offered through the Office of Adult and Continuing Education (OACE).

Source: New York City Department of Education; New York City Department of Homeless Services; New York City Department of Housing Preservation and Development; Legal Aid Society.

## New York City's Adult and Continuing Education Centers (ACEC), by Shelter Distribution

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Almost one-quarter (24%) of the city's Adult and Continuing Education centers were found in the 17 districts without any family shelter units.
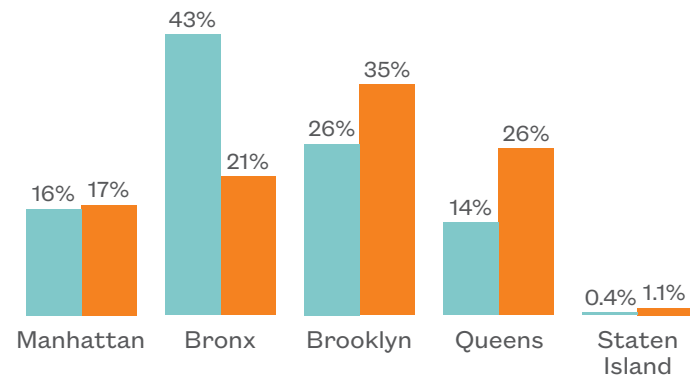


| Percent of Citywide Units | Total Number of ACEC | Percent of ACEC |
|---|---|---|
| Districts Without Units (17) | 44 | 24% |
| Districts with Fewest Units (9) | 31 | 17% |
| Districts with Few Units (8) | 30 | 16% |
| Districts with Some Units (7) | 23 | 13% |
| Districts with Many Units (6) | 28 | 15% |
| Districts with Most Units (4) | 28 | 15% |

## Family Shelter Units and Adult and Continuing Education Centers, by Borough

December 2015

■ Percent of City's Family Shelter Units
■ Percent of City's Adult and Continuing Education Centers



| | Family Shelter Units | Adult and Continuing Education Centers |
|---|---|---|
| Manhattan | 1,780 | 31 |
| Bronx | 4,702 | 39 |
| Brooklyn | 2,870 | 65 |
| Queens | 1,554 | 47 |
| Staten Island | 46 | 2 |
| New York City | 10,952 | 184 |

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# Where Are Employment Services Needed?

Families experiencing unemployment and underemployment are at high risk for housing instability and homelessness.

Families living in some communities with high unemployment lack services in their own neighborhoods. These neighborhoods include the **Eastchester** and **Parkchester** areas of the Bronx and **Cypress Hills**, **Ditmas Park**, **Brownsville**, and **East New York** in central Brooklyn.
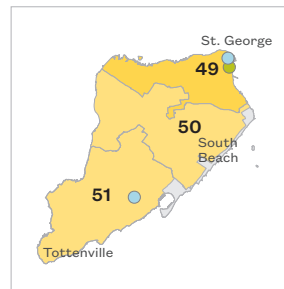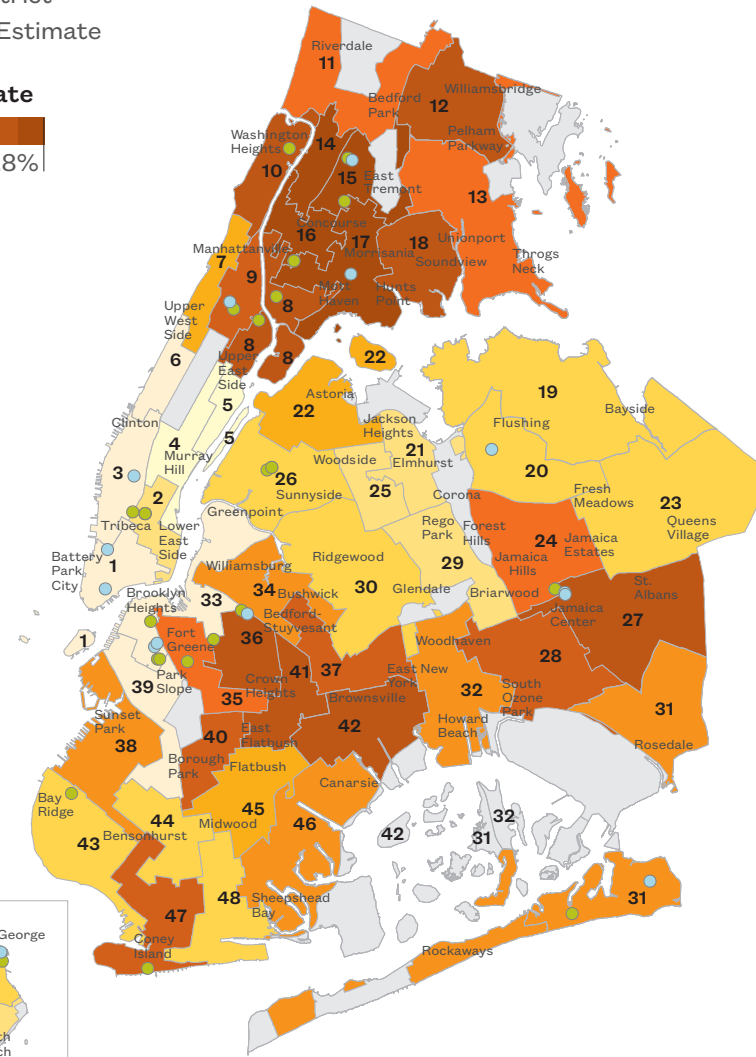
**(Districts 12, 18, 37, 40, 41, and 42)**

Some areas with few job centers have many shelters. Shelter infrastructure could be leveraged to provide job search and training services not only to homeless families, but also to those living in the surrounding community who are struggling with employment.

## Unemployment and Job Centers

Percent of People Who Are Unemployed and Locations of NYC and NYS Job Centers, by City Council District
2010–2014 5-year Estimate

**Unemployment Rate**

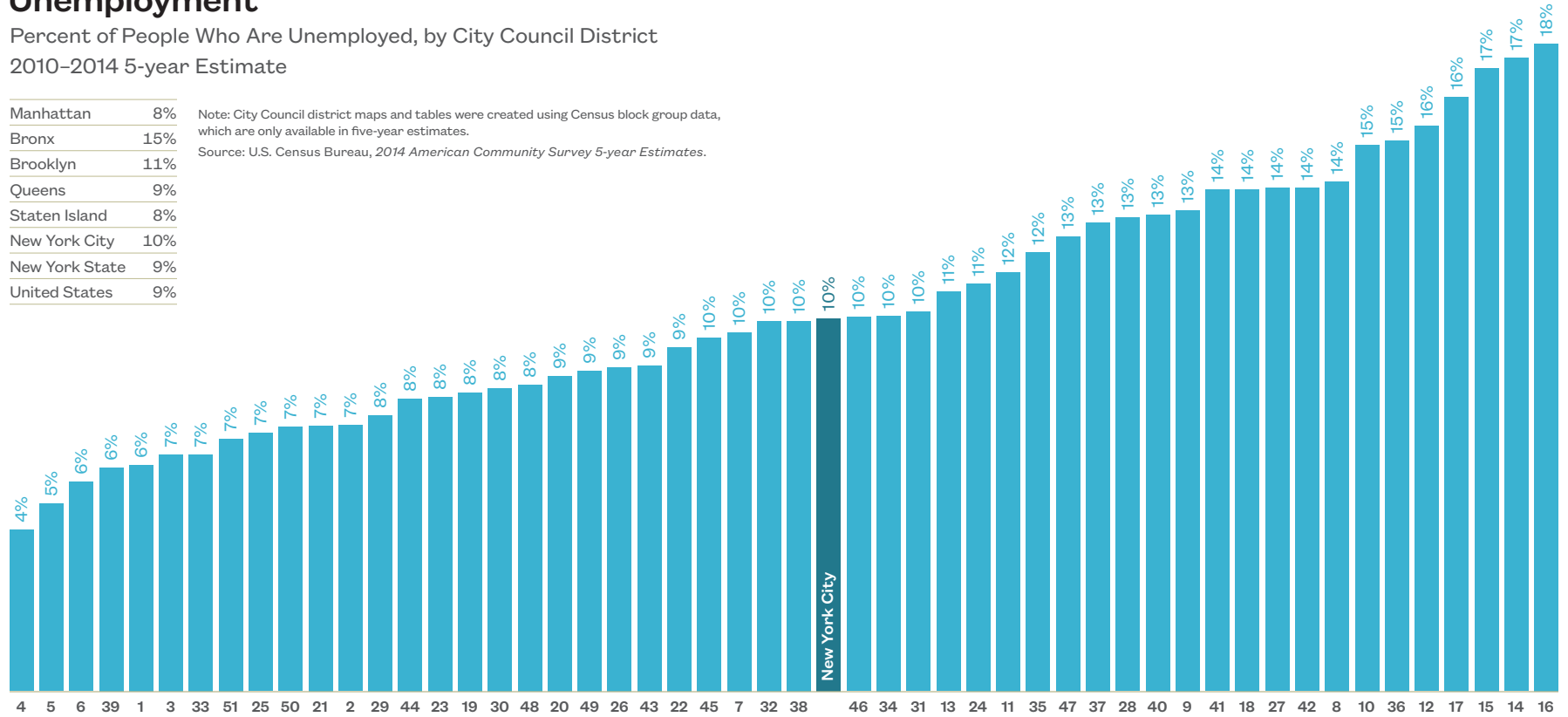4.4%                    17.8%

○ NYS Job Center
● NYC Job Center



Note: The margin of error for percentage values is between 0.5%–1.3%. NYC and NYS Job Centers include job centers supported by the NYC Human Resources Administration and New York State.

Source: New York City Human Resources Administration; U.S. Census Bureau, *2014 American Community Survey 5-year Estimates.*

# Unemployment

## Percent of People Who Are Unemployed, by City Council District
### 2010–2014 5-year Estimate

| | |
|---|---|
| Manhattan | 8% |
| Bronx | 15% |
| Brooklyn | 11% |
| Queens | 9% |
| Staten Island | 8% |
| New York City | 10% |
| New York State | 9% |
| United States | 9% |

Note: City Council district maps and tables were created using Census block group data, which are only available in five-year estimates.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, *2014 American Community Survey 5-year Estimates*.



New York City

District (bottom axis): 4, 5, 6, 39, 1, 3, 33, 51, 25, 50, 21, 2, 29, 44, 23, 19, 30, 48, 20, 49, 26, 43, 22, 45, 7, 32, 38, [New York City], 46, 34, 31, 13, 24, 11, 35, 47, 37, 28, 40, 9, 41, 18, 27, 42, 8, 10, 36, 12, 17, 15, 14, 16

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# Where Are Young Families at Risk for Homelessness?

One out of every six individuals living in family shelters is a child age five or younger.

Poverty among single mothers with children under five years old ranged widely in the city. In three **Manhattan** districts, none of these families lived in poverty (Districts 4, 5, and 6), while in the **south** and **west Bronx**, **upper Manhattan**, and **south** and **central Brooklyn**, between 44%–58% of these families lived in poverty. (Districts 8, 9, 14–17, 36, 38, 44, 47, 49, and 51)
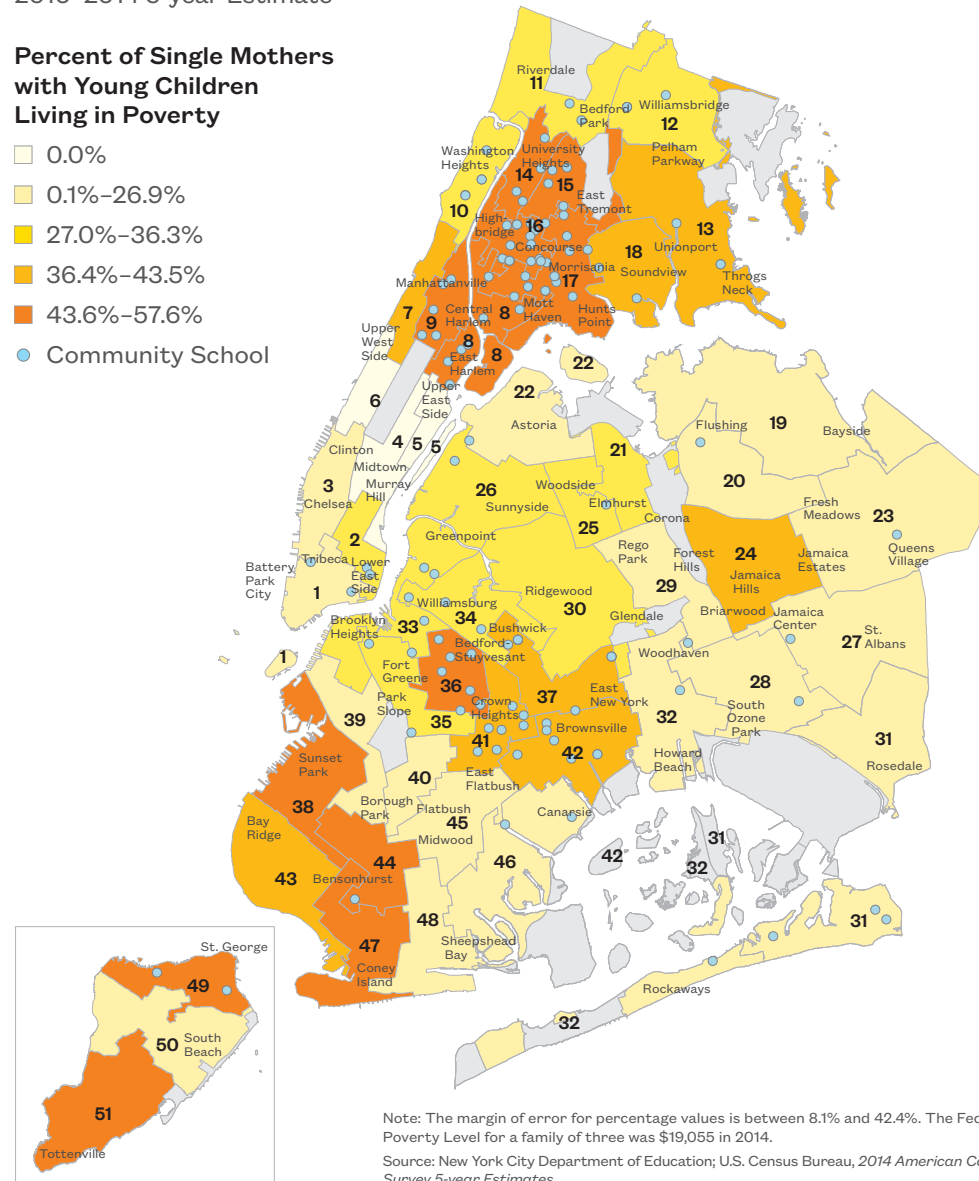
**Community schools are neighborhood hubs that not only educate students, but also provide social services to families and resources to communities.**

## Single Mothers with Young Children Living in Poverty and Community Schools

Percent of Single Mothers with Children Under Five Years Old Earning Below the Federal Poverty Level and Locations of Community Schools, by City Council District
2010–2014 5-year Estimate

**Percent of Single Mothers with Young Children Living in Poverty**

- 0.0%
- 0.1%–26.9%
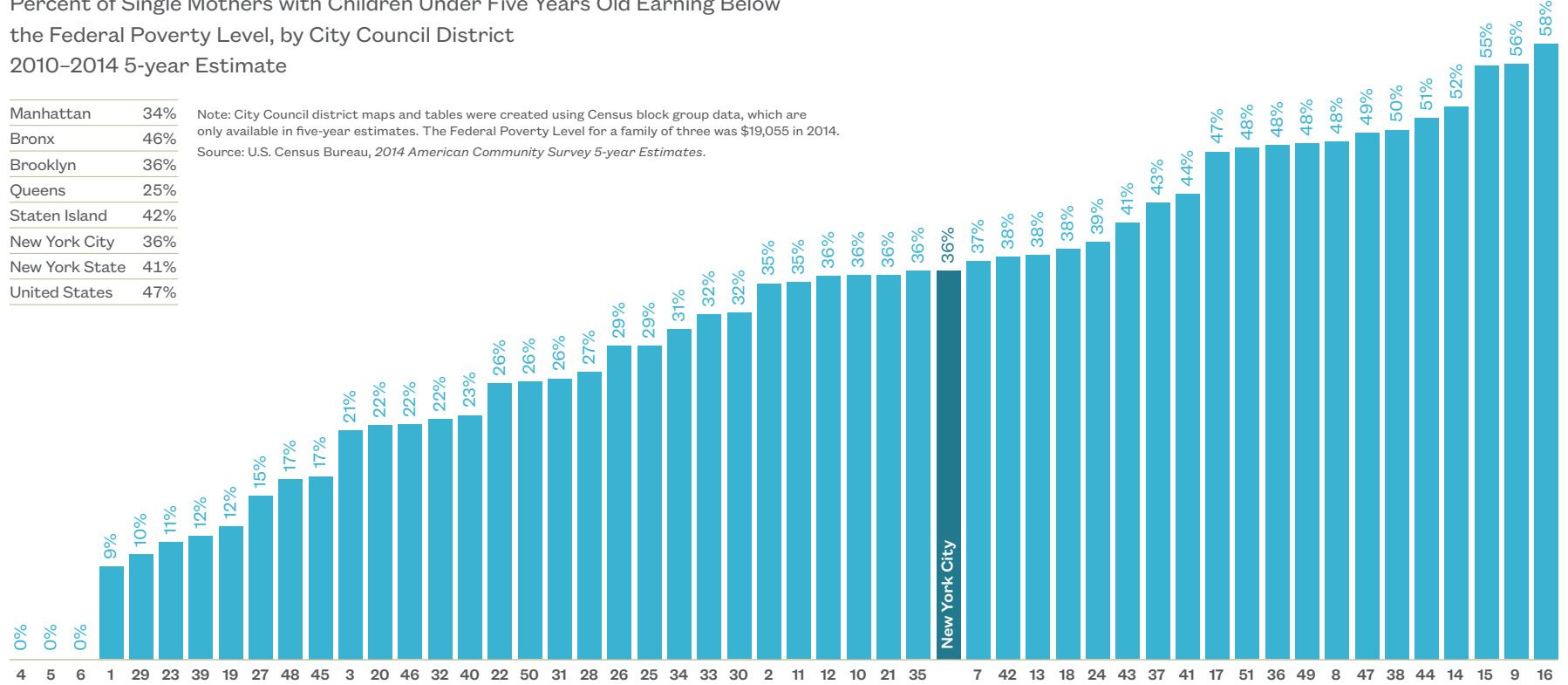- 27.0%–36.3%
- 36.4%–43.5%
- 43.6%–57.6%
- Community School



Note: The margin of error for percentage values is between 8.1% and 42.4%. The Federal Poverty Level for a family of three was $19,055 in 2014.

Source: New York City Department of Education; U.S. Census Bureau, *2014 American Community Survey 5-year Estimates.*

# Single Mothers with Young Children Living in Poverty

Percent of Single Mothers with Children Under Five Years Old Earning Below
the Federal Poverty Level, by City Council District

2010–2014 5-year Estimate

| | |
|---|---|
| Manhattan | 34% |
| Bronx | 46% |
| Brooklyn | 36% |
| Queens | 25% |
| Staten Island | 42% |
| New York City | 36% |
| New York State | 41% |
| United States | 47% |

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Bar chart values by City Council District:

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|---|---|
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| 6 | 0% |
| 1 | 9% |
| 29 | 10% |
| 23 | 11% |
| 39 | 12% |
| 19 | 12% |
| 27 | 15% |
| 48 | 17% |
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| 49 | 48% |
| 8 | 48% |
| 47 | 49% |
| 38 | 50% |
| 44 | 51% |
| 14 | 52% |
| 15 | 55% |
| 9 | 56% |
| 16 | 58% |

## City Council Districts and Select Neighborhoods

**District 1**
Chinatown, Financial District, Battery Park, Wall Street

**District 2**
East Village, Lower East Side, Gramercy Park, Rosehill, Kips Bay, Murray Hill

**District 3**
Chelsea, Midtown South, Soho

**District 4**
Midtown, Upper East Side, Central Park South, Grand Central, Tudor City

**District 5**
Lenox Hill, Yorkville, Roosevelt Island, Sutton Place

**District 6**
Lincoln Square, Upper West Side

**District 7**
Hamilton Heights, Morningside Heights

**District 8**
East Harlem, Mott Haven, South Bronx

**District 9**
Central Harlem, Morningside Heights, Upper West Side, East Harlem

**District 10**
Inwood, Washington Heights, Marble Hill

**District 11**
Riverdale, Woodlawn, Bedford Park, Kingsbridge

**District 12**
Eastchester, Williamsbridge, Wakefield, Edenwald, Fishbay

**District 13**
Bronxdale, Pelham Bay, Pelham Parkway, Country Club

**District 14**
Morris Heights, University Heights, Fordham

**District 15**
Belmont, Fordham, Bathgate, Bronxdale, Van Nest

**District 16**
Concourse, Highbridge, West Bronx, Morrisania

**District 17**
Hunts Point, Melrose, Longwood, Morrisania, Crotona Park East

**District 18**
Parkchester, Soundview, Castle Hill, Harding Park, Clason Point

**District 19**
Bayside, Whitestone, Auburndale, College Point, Little Neck, Douglaston

**District 20**
Flushing, Murray Hill, Queensboro Hill, Mitchell Gardens

**District 21**
Corona, East Elmhurst, Elmhurst, Jackson Heights

**District 22**
Astoria, Steinway, Woodside, East Elmhurst

**District 23**
Fresh Meadows, Glen Oaks, Bayside Hills, Bellerose, Douglaston, Floral Park

**District 24**
Jamaica Center, Kew Gardens Hills, Pomonok, Utopia

**District 25**
Elmhurst, Jackson Heights

**District 26**
Long Island City, Sunnyside, Woodside, Astoria

**District 27**
Cambria Heights, St. Albans, Hollis, Queens Village, Addisleigh Park, Jamaica

**District 28**
Rochdale, South Ozone Park, Jamaica, South Jamaica

**District 29**
Forest Hills, Kew Gardens, Rego Park, Richmond Hill

**District 30**
Glendale, Maspeth, Ridgewood, Middle Village, Richmond Hill, Woodside

**District 31**
Far Rockaway, Laurelton, Rosedale

**District 32**
Rockaway Beach, Woodhaven, Belle Harbor, Breezy Point

**District 33**
Downtown Brooklyn, Williamsburg, Brooklyn Heights, DUMBO

**District 34**
Bushwick, East Williamsburg

**District 35**
Crown Heights, Fort Greene, Clinton Hill

**District 36**
Bedford-Stuyvesant, Weeksville

**District 37**
Cypress Hills, Highland Park, Bushwick, City Line

**District 38**
Red Hook, Sunset Park, Windsor Terrace

**District 39**
Gowanus, Park Slope, Cobble Hill, Carroll Gardens, Columbia Waterfront

**District 40**
Ditmas Park, Prospect Lefferts, Flatbush, Kensington

**District 41**
Brownsville, Ocean Hill, Bedford-Stuyvesant, East Flatbush

**District 42**
East New York, New Lots

**District 43**
Bay Ridge, Dyker Heights, Bensonhurst, Bath Beach

**District 44**
Borough Park, Ocean Parkway

**District 45**
East Flatbush, Flatlands, Flatbush, Midwood, Canarsie

**District 46**
Canarsie, Marine Park, Flatlands, Georgetown, Bergen Beach, Mill Basin

**District 47**
Bensonhurst, Coney Island, Gravesend, Sea Gate

**District 48**
Brighton Beach, Sheepshead Bay, Brightwater Towers

**District 49**
Port Richmond, Stapleton, St. George, Tompkinsville

**District 50**
Grasmere, New Dorp, Travis, Bulls Head

**District 51**
Huguenot, Tottenville, Arden Heights, Annadale

# Are Families Accessing Homelessness Prevention Services?

While residents from all New York City community districts used Homebase prevention services, use was most heavily concentrated in **University Heights**, **Unionport/Soundview**, **Williamsbridge**, **East New York**, and **Brownsville**. (B05, B09, B12, K05, and K16)

Both **Mott Haven** and **East Harlem** stand out for having lower Homebase prevention program use than would be expected. These neighborhoods saw only moderate use of Homebase prevention programs but were among the six communities that saw the largest increase in shelter entry from FY 2012–FY 2015. (B01 and M11)

**Ensuring access to these services for families is key not only in areas with high homelessness, but also areas where homelessness is growing.**
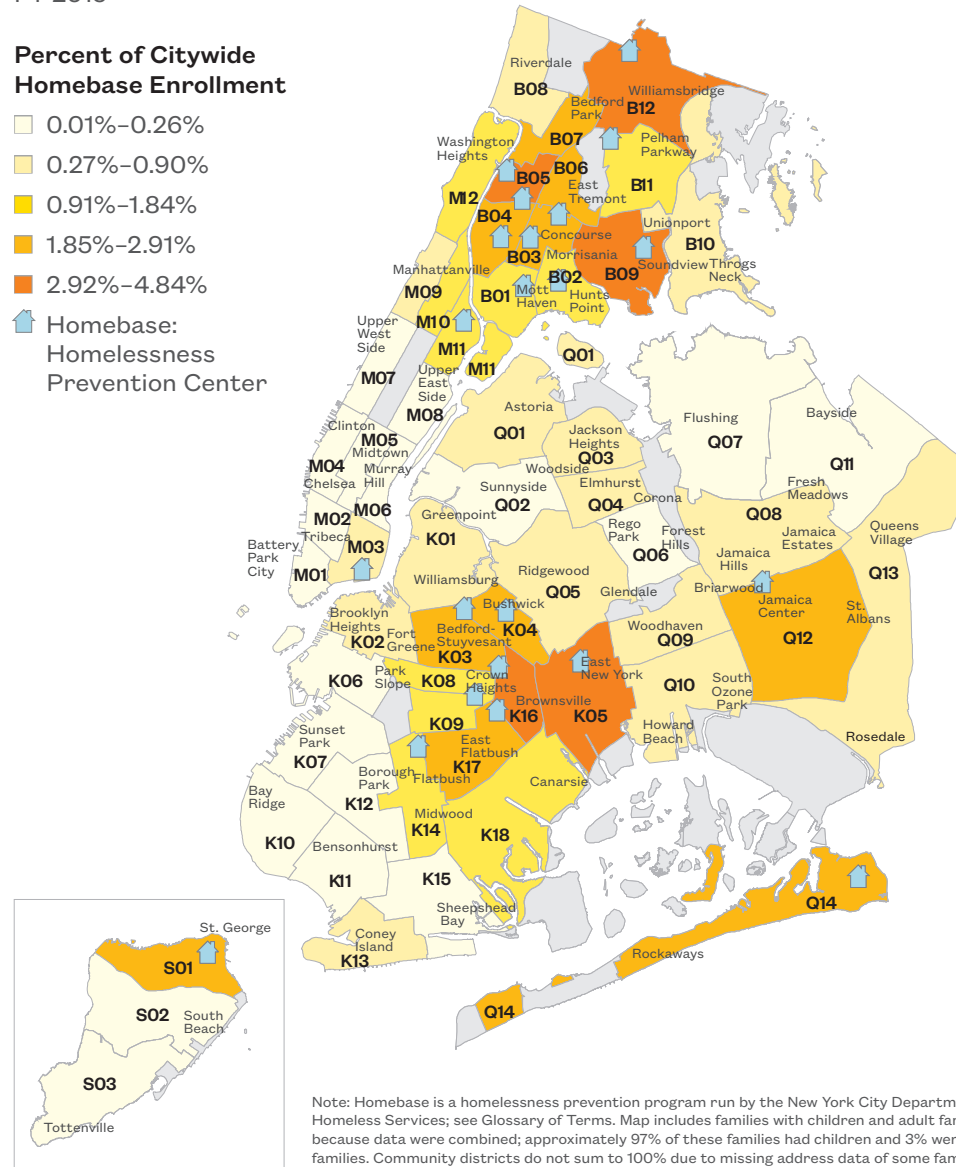
## Homebase: Homelessness Prevention

Percent of New York City Families Enrolled in Homebase Prevention Services and Locations of Homebase: Homelessness Prevention Centers, by Community District FY 2015

**Percent of Citywide Homebase Enrollment**

- 0.01%–0.26%
- 0.27%–0.90%
- 0.91%–1.84%
- 1.85%–2.91%
- 2.92%–4.84%

Homebase: Homelessness Prevention Center



Note: Homebase is a homelessness prevention program run by the New York City Department of Homeless Services; see Glossary of Terms. Map includes families with children and adult families because data were combined; approximately 97% of these families had children and 3% were adult families. Community districts do not sum to 100% due to missing address data of some families.

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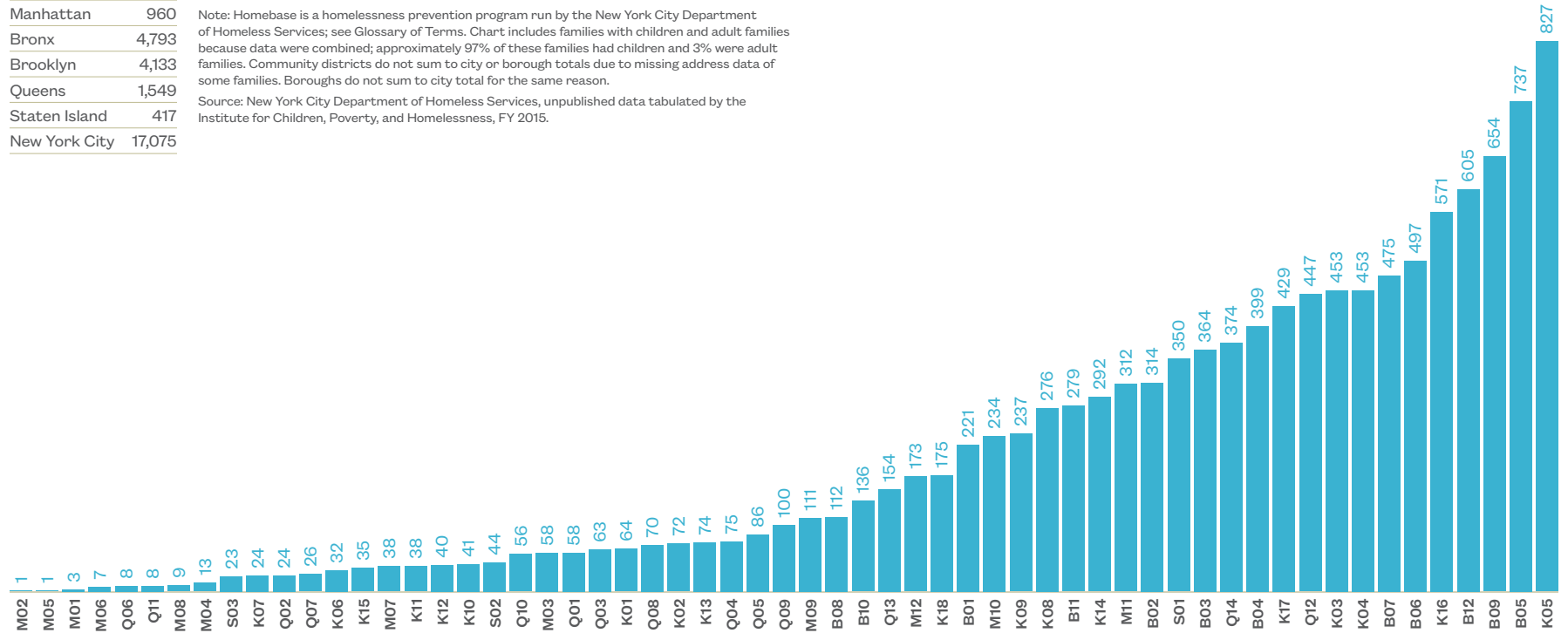
# Homebase: Homelessness Prevention

Number of New York City Families Enrolled in Homebase Prevention Services, by Community District

FY 2015

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|---|---|
| Manhattan | 960 |
| Bronx | 4,793 |
| Brooklyn | 4,133 |
| Queens | 1,549 |
| Staten Island | 417 |
| New York City | 17,075 |

Note: Homebase is a homelessness prevention program run by the New York City Department of Homeless Services; see Glossary of Terms. Chart includes families with children and adult families because data were combined; approximately 97% of these families had children and 3% were adult families. Community districts do not sum to city or borough totals due to missing address data of some families. Boroughs do not sum to city total for the same reason.

Source: New York City Department of Homeless Services, unpublished data tabulated by the Institute for Children, Poverty, and Homelessness, FY 2015.



## Community Districts and Select Neighborhoods

**Manhattan**
**M01** Battery Park/Tribeca
**M02** Greenwich Village
**M03** Lower East Side
**M04** Chelsea/Clinton
**M05** Midtown Business District
**M06** Murray Hill/Stuyvesant
**M07** Upper West Side

**M08** Upper East Side
**M09** Manhattanville
**M10** Central Harlem
**M11** East Harlem
**M12** Washington Heights

**Bronx**
**B01** Mott Haven
**B02** Hunts Point

**B03** Morrisania
**B04** Concourse/Highbridge
**B05** University Heights
**B06** East Tremont
**B07** Bedford Park
**B08** Riverdale
**B09** Unionport/Soundview
**B10** Throgs Neck

**B11** Pelham Parkway
**B12** Williamsbridge

**Brooklyn**
**K01** Williamsburg/Greenpoint
**K02** Fort Greene/Brooklyn Heights
**K03** Bedford-Stuyvesant
**K04** Bushwick
**K05** East New York

**K06** Park Slope
**K07** Sunset Park
**K08** Crown Heights North
**K09** Crown Heights South
**K10** Bay Ridge
**K11** Bensonhurst
**K12** Borough Park
**K13** Coney Island

**K14** Flatbush/Midwood
**K15** Sheepshead Bay
**K16** Brownsville
**K17** East Flatbush
**K18** Canarsie

**Queens**
**Q01** Astoria
**Q02** Sunnyside/Woodside

**Q03** Jackson Heights
**Q04** Elmhurst/Corona
**Q05** Ridgewood/Glendale
**Q06** Rego Park/Forest Hills
**Q07** Flushing
**Q08** Fresh Meadows/Briarwood
**Q09** Woodhaven
**Q10** Howard Beach

**Q11** Bayside
**Q12** Jamaica/St. Albans
**Q13** Queens Village
**Q14** The Rockaways

**Staten Island**
**S01** St. George
**S02** South Beach
**S03** Tottenville