

# Demographics

## Demographic Trends

The city of Newark saw a 10 percent decline in its child population from 2012 to 2016, while the total city population remained consistent during the same period. Although total births to Newark mothers held steady from 2011 to 2015, the number of births to unmarried women declined by 10 percent. As of 2016, foreign-born children made up 8 percent of the city's child population.

### Total Population

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	% Change 12-16
Newark	277,718	278,436	280,577	281,913	281,770	1
Essex	787,744	789,565	795,723	797,434	796,914	1
New Jersey	8,864,590	8,899,339	8,938,175	8,958,013	8,944,469	1
Newark's % of Essex	35	35	35	35	35	
Newark's % of NJ	3	3	3	3	3	

### Child Population Under Age 18

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	% Change 12-16
Newark	73,052	69,780	72,446	68,415	65,706	-10
Essex	192,736	191,944	192,125	191,267	189,492	-2
New Jersey	2,026,738	2,021,897	2,012,197	1,998,865	1,984,439	-2
Newark's % of Essex	38	36	38	36	35	
Newark's % of NJ	4	3	4	3	3	

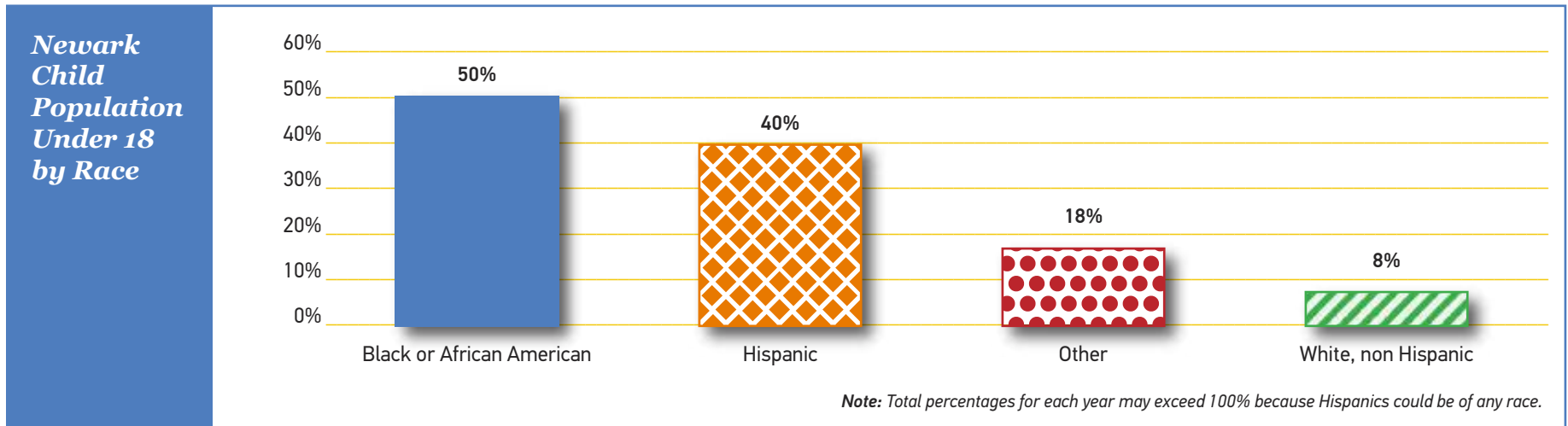
### Child Population Under Age 18 as a Percentage of Total Population

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
Newark	26	25	26	24	23
Essex	24	24	24	24	24
New Jersey	23	23	23	22	22

*Newark's Child Population Under 18 by Race*

	2012		2013		2014		2015		2016		% Change 12-16 Number
	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	
Black or African American	37,176	51	36,954	53	36,989	51	34,861	51	33,162	50	-11
White, non-Hispanic	5,173	7	4,393	6	4,152	6	4,556	7	5,477	8	6
Hispanic	27,989	38	29,172	42	29,635	41	28,200	41	26,423	40	-6
Other	17,001	23	15,162	22	17,803	25	13,189	19	11,866	18	-30

*Note: Total percentages for each year may exceed 100% because Hispanics could be of any race.*



*Foreign-Born Children*

	2012		2013		2014		2015		2016		% Change 12-16 Number
	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	Number	%	
Newark	4,412	6	4,698	7	4,091	6	6,301	9	5,378	8	22
Essex	9,521	5	11,566	6	9,522	5	13,199	7	11,686	6	23
New Jersey	111,291	5	112,675	6	103,338	5	108,649	5	108,663	5	-2

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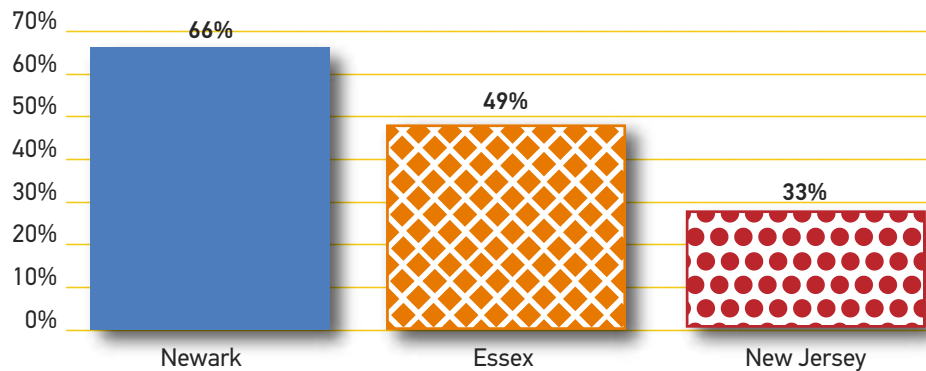
## Total Births

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	% Change 11-15
Newark	4,353	4,358	4,193	4,153	4,245	-2
Essex	10,534	10,392	10,210	10,218	10,294	-2
New Jersey	105,474	103,778	102,326	102,813	102,199	-3

## Births to Unmarried Women

	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	% Change 11-15
Newark	3,146	3,129	2,966	2,973	2,819	-10
Essex	5,508	5,441	5,225	5,245	5,081	-8
New Jersey	37,245	36,559	35,577	35,583	33,831	-9

### Percentage Births to Unmarried Women Newark Vs. Essex Vs. NJ, 2015



## What is a Household?

Household is a specific term used by the U.S. Census Bureau in its surveys. The census definition, however, may conflict with the traditional idea of what a household might be. When looking at census data, a household is one person or multiple people occupying a single housing unit.<sup>1</sup> For example, two unrelated roommates, a multigenerational family and a single individual are all considered households under the census definition.

## Households Headed by One Parent

	Number	2012	Number	2013	Number	2014	Number	2015	Number	2016	% Change 12-16 Number
		%		%		%		%			
Newark	24,266	65	22,789	66	21,968	61	22,338	64	19,288	61	-21
Essex	47,224	46	45,591	46	42,724	43	43,960	45	41,360	44	-12
New Jersey	344,237	31	341,570	32	341,498	32	326,222	31	322,303	31	-6

## Multigenerational Households

Many children in New Jersey live with a grandparent. Sometimes that grandparent is the child's legal guardian, and in other cases, the child simply shares a home with that grandparent. We report two different census measures of these trends. The first tracks grandparents who cared for their grandchildren at any point during the year. The second refers to children who live in the same home as a grandparent.

### Number of Grandparents Caring for Their Grandchildren

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	% Change 12-16
Newark	2,428	3,552	2,659	2,857	2,008	-17
Essex	5,109	6,457	5,091	6,106	4,463	-13
New Jersey	48,550	53,032	49,690	47,118	45,734	-6

### Number of Grandchildren Under 18 Living with a Grandparent Householder

	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	% Change 12-16
Newark	6,272	6,576	7,557	7,652	6,555	5
Essex	12,890	15,677	15,135	14,388	15,894	23
New Jersey	115,005	131,546	127,307	123,318	128,874	12

### Data Sources and Technical Notes:

**Total Population, 2012-2016.** As reported by the U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey chart B01001.

**Child Population Under Age 18, 2012-2016.** As reported by the U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey chart B01001.

**Child Population Under Age 18, as a Percentage of Total Population, 2012-2016.** As reported by the U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey chart B01001.

**Newark's Child Population Under 18 by Race, 2012-2016.** For children under age 18 as reported by the U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey charts B01001B, B01001F, B01001H, and B01001I. Black or African American and Other categories may include individuals who identified as Hispanic.

**Foreign-Born Children, 2012-2016.** As reported by the U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey chart B05003.

**Total Births, 2011-2015.** As reported by the N.J. Department of Health, New Jersey State Health Assessment Data, New Jersey Birth Certificate Database. Data accessed as of October 6, 2017.

**Births to Unmarried Women, 2011-2015.** As reported by the N.J. Department of Health, New Jersey State Health Assessment Data, New Jersey Birth Certificate Database. Data accessed as of October 6, 2017.

**Percentage of Births to Unmarried Women, 2015.** The percentage of births to unmarried women out of the total number of live births. As reported by the N.J. Department of Health, New Jersey State Health Assessment Data, New Jersey Birth Certificate Database. Data accessed as of October 6, 2017.

**Households Headed by One Parent, 2012-2016.** As reported by the U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey chart B11005. Includes family and non-family households. Data are for households with children under age 18.

**Number of Grandparents Caring for their Grandchildren, 2012-2016.** As reported by the U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey chart B10050.

**Number of Grandchildren Under 18 Living with a Grandparent Householder, 2012-2016.** As reported by the U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey chart B10001.

### References:

<sup>1</sup> McFalls, J.A. (2003). What's a Household? What's a Family? Population Reference Bureau. Retrieved November 29, 2016 from <http://www.prb.org/Publications/Articles/2003/WhatsaHouseholdWhatsaFamily.aspx>.