Mortgage lending increased significantly in CD 204 from 2002 to 2004, jumping from 86.4 to 121.4 home purchase loans per 1,000 properties, ranking Bushwick highest in this category. Notices of foreclosure dropped slightly, but Bushwick still ranks quite high in this category. Rates of subprime lending have also been high in recent years.

CD 204 also exhibited the highest rate of serious housing code violations, at 184.1 per 1,000 rental units. While CD 204 has a high rate of poverty, that rate fell between 2002 and 2005, and real median household income rose by 10%.

Much like the rest of the City, Bushwick’s elementary education performance has improved, most notably in math. The crime rate has also improved in recent years, dropping from 31.2 to 29.2 felonies per 1,000 residents from 2002 to 2004.

Numbers in italics are based on a small number of observations and should be treated with caution.

1 Ranked out of 34 community districts with the same predominant housing type (2-4 family buildings).