Similar to neighboring Bay Ridge/Dyker Heights, CD 211 had high education performance scores, with reading scores increasing at the 3rd highest rate citywide, and it had an extremely low crime rate in 2004. CD 211, which encompasses Bensonhurst and Gravesend, among other neighborhoods, has a high percentage of immigrant households, at 41% in 2005.

Property tax delinquencies were extremely low in 2004 – only 0.6% of delinquencies were of one year or longer. Housing prices have been on the rise in CD 211, especially in the last two years.

The City rezoned 120 blocks in Bensonhurst in 2005 to preserve the area’s prevailing low-density character.