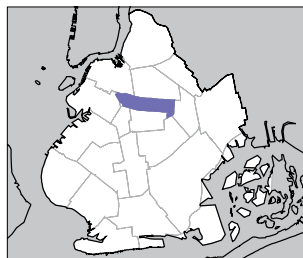


# CROWN HEIGHTS – CD 208

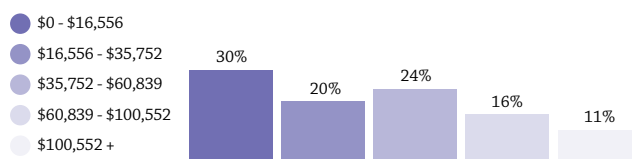


Crown Heights, a community in which more than three quarters of the residents are black, is one of the City's least racially diverse neighborhoods. Thirty percent of Crown

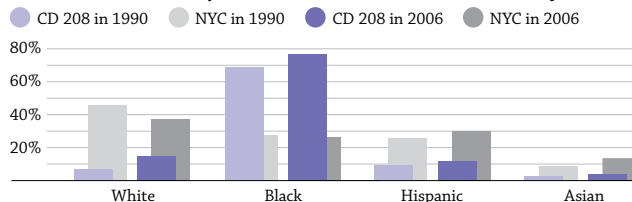
Heights households earn incomes that place them in the lowest income quintile city-wide. Like many Brooklyn neighborhoods, CD 208 has troubling signs of housing distress, including a rapid rise in notices of foreclosure in the past several years. The neighborhood's housing stock is among the oldest in the City, and inhabitants are plagued by one of the City's highest rates of housing code violations. The felony crime rate dropped by 15 percent between 2005 and 2006, one of the largest declines city-wide. The CD has not seen as much improvement on student test scores as the rest of the City, and has fallen significantly in the rankings since 1999.

	2006	Rank
Population	127,013	38
Population Density (1,000 persons per square mile)	58.0	12
Median Household Income	\$38,524	37
Income Diversity Ratio	6.9	7
Median Rent Burden (renter households)	30.4%	27
Rental Units that are Subsidized (percentage) ('05)	18.2%	16
Rental Units that are Rent-Regulated (percentage) ('05)	54.3%	20
Median Age of Housing Stock	86	2
Acres of Open Space (per 1,000 residents) ('04)	1.0	35

## Percent of Households in CD 208 in Each New York City Income Quintile



## Racial and Ethnic Composition of CD 208 versus New York City



	1990	2000	2005	2006	Rank (1990)	Rank (2006)
Rental Vacancy Rate	4.9%	4.5%	2.6%	6.1%	12	9
Certificates of Occupancy	0	2	285	285	53	26
Units authorized by new building permits*	0	152	184	357	46	29
Homeownership Rate	15.2%	16.0%	21.4%	20.0%	42	42
Vacant Land Area Rate	6.5%	6.3%	3.4%	3.4%	24	26
Index of Housing Price Appreciation (2-4 family building) <sup>1</sup>	80.4	100.0	171.8	202.0	-	10
Median Price per Unit (2-4 family building) <sup>1</sup>	\$119,541	\$117,073	\$225,376	\$260,000	21	15
Median Monthly Rent	\$657	\$641	\$771	\$756	40	40
Serious Housing Code Violations (per 1,000 rental units)	43.8	137.7	132.2	138.8	7	6
Tax Delinquencies (percentage) (delinquent ≥ 1 year)	-	14.8%	3.3%	4.0%	-	5
Home Purchase Loans (per 1,000 properties)*	23.0	47.2	95.3	95.8	41	9
Purchase Loans that were Subprime (percentage)*	13.2%	9.4%	31.9%	26.0%	15	18
Refinance Loans that were Subprime (percentage)*	58.9%	50.8%	42.4%	33.2%	4	10
Notices of Foreclosure (per 1,000 1-4 family properties)*	13.6	27.6	23.8	34.6	6	8
Severe Crowding Rate (renter households)	8.4%	6.8%	1.8%	1.7%	15	46
Foreign-Born Population (percentage)	29.4%	30.7%	30.8%	32.2%	20	33
Racial Diversity Index	0.39	0.44	0.51	0.55	48	46
Households with Kids under 18 Years Old (percentage)	34.8%	32.1%	39.2%	35.1%	19	30
Population Aged 65 and Older (percentage)	9.5%	9.6%	9.7%	9.5%	43	44
Poverty Rate	-	-	-	22.9%	-	18
Unemployment Rate	12.0%	14.7%	10.2%	12.7%	12	9
Mean Travel Time to Work (minutes)	39.6	45.0	39.5	40.5	20	28
Felony Crime Rate (per 1,000 residents)	103.2	41.2	28.4	24.1	13	29
Students Performing at Grade Level in Reading (percentage)	-	30.6%	41.8%	40.3%	-	48
Students Performing at Grade Level in Math (percentage)	-	24.2%	40.4%	44.1%	-	54
Asthma Hospitalizations (per 1,000 people)*	6.5	4.9	4.9	5.1	13	12
Blood Lead Levels (per 1,000 children tested, new diagnoses)*	64.1	25.2	10.1	9.4	6	15

<sup>1</sup> Ranked out of 32 community districts with the same predominant housing type (2-4 family buildings).

\* Not all data in the earliest column are from 1990. Please see Notes on page 17.