# Buffalo Common Council Districts: South District

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RESIDENTS OF SOUTH DISTRICT	
Total Population <sup>1</sup>	28,953
Under age 18	21.5%
Age 18-64	64.7%
Age 65+	13.8%
Unemployed <sup>2</sup>	6.5%
Born outside the U.S. <sup>3</sup>	3.5%
Speak a language other than English at home <sup>4</sup>	7.3%
Population with a disability <sup>5</sup>	18.2%

## Demographics

The South district has a population of approximately 29,000. Over 87% of residents identify as white, and just over 5% identify as Black or African American.<sup>6</sup> The South District

has the smallest international population of all districts at 3.5% of residents. The district has a substantial Hispanic/Latinx-identifying population at 8.4%.<sup>7</sup>

#### **COMMUNITY LANDMARKS**

The Outer Harbor: Tifft and Times Beach nature preserves, and the historic lighthouse

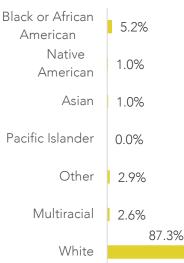
Botanical Gardens

South and Cazenovia Parks

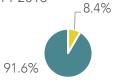
Mercy Hospital

The Buffalo Irish Center

SOUTH DISTRICT POPULATION BY RACE, 2014-2018



SOUTH DISTRICT POPULATION BY HISPANIC OR LATINX ETHNICITY, 2014-2018



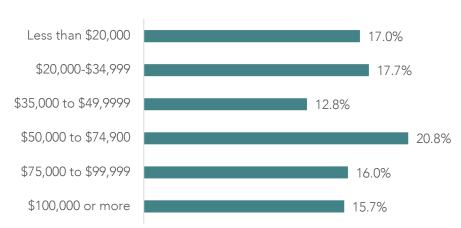
- Hispanic or Latinx
- Not Hispanic or Latinx



#### Income<sup>8</sup>

The South district is economically diverse. About a third (34.7%) of households have an income under the city's median income (\$35,000). Another third (33.6%) have incomes between \$35,000 and \$75,000. And the remaining (31.8%) of households have incomes above \$75,000.





POVERTY AND UNAFFORDABILITY	
Population living below poverty <sup>9</sup>	17.0%
Total households with unaffordable housing <sup>10</sup>	2,989
Owner-occupied households with unaffordable housing <sup>11</sup>	14.3%
Renter-occupied households with unaffordable housing <sup>12</sup>	41.8%

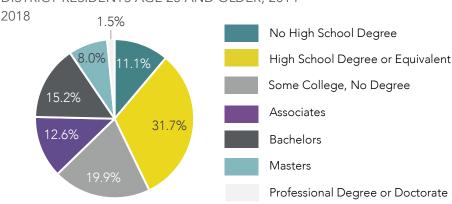
### Poverty and Unaffordable Housing

At 17.0%, the South district has one of the lowest poverty rates of all districts, after the Delaware district. Despite this, over 40% of renter households cannot afford their housing costs, meaning they spend more than 30% of their income on housing. Almost 3,000 households (renter *and* owners) cannot afford their housing costs—a quarter (25.2%) of all district households.

#### Education<sup>13</sup>

88.9% of South District residents 25 or older are high school graduates, and most have pursued higher education (57.2%). Almost one in every ten residents has an advanced degree (9.5%).

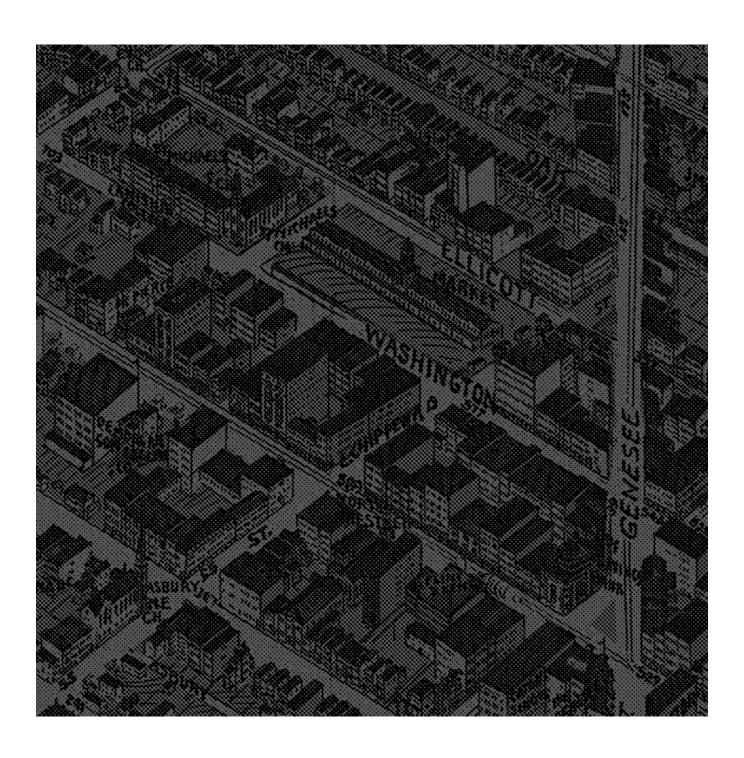




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