Whitaker Borough Snapshot

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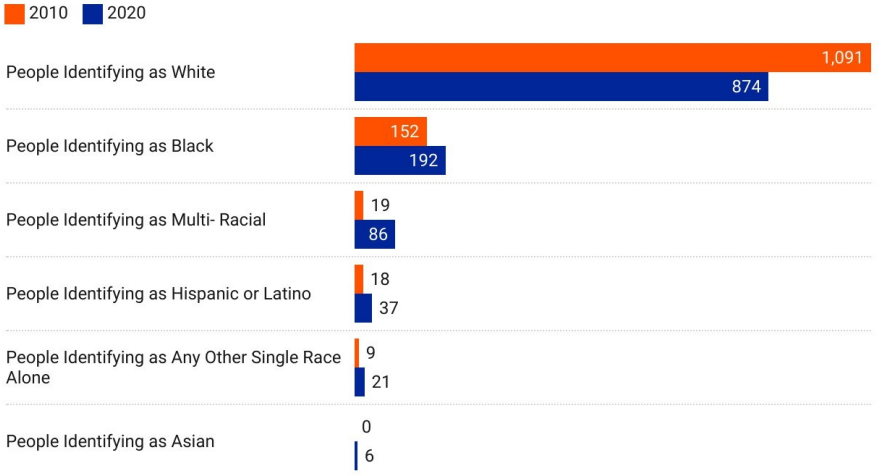
Community Population: 1,179

- The Whitaker Borough **total population decreased** by 7% from 1,271 in 2010 .[1]
- **The region is becoming more diverse**. People of color comprise 26% (305 residents) of the borough in 2020 compared to 14% (180 residents) in 2010.[1]
- **The population of People Identifying as Multi-Racial in the borough grew by 353% (67 residents)** between 2010 and 2020.[1] **People Identifying as African American or Black Alone increased by 26% (40 residents).**
- The White Alone population in the borough decreased by 20% to about 874 people from 2010 to 2020, but still remain the area's largest racial group, comprising about 74% of residents.[1]
- The **median age in Whitaker Borough is 39**, in between Allegheny County (41) and the City of Pittsburgh (34). Of the total population, 21% are under 18 years.

Growing Diversity in Whitaker Borough



*Created with DataWrapper. Due to small sample size, we have included individuals identifying as Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander, American Indian, or as an identity not listed in the survey ("Other") in *People Identifying as Any Other Single Race Alone.* Note that racial categories are non-Hispanic.

11%
Public Transportation

All HSCMV Communities: 7%
Allegheny County: 7%
City of Pittsburgh: 14%

- **11% of population age 16 and over take public transportation to work.**
- **66% of workers drive alone with avg. commute time of 31 min.**

$59,000
Median Household Income

All HSCMV Communities: $57,000
Allegheny County: $73,000
City of Pittsburgh: $60,000

- **On average, 46% of Whitaker families have income below 200% of the federal poverty level (FPL).**
- **92% of families under 100% of the FPL are single mother families.**

17%
Education

All HSCMV Communities: 28%
Allegheny County: 44%
City of Pittsburgh: 47%

- **17% of population age 25 and older has completed a Bachelor's Degree or higher.**
- **93% of population age 25 and older has completed a high school degree.**

71%
Labor Force

All HSCMV Communities: 62%
Allegheny County: 65%
City of Pittsburgh: 64%

- **71% of residents 16 and over participate in labor force.**
- **8% of civilian labor force are unemployed.**

58%
Owner-Occupied Housing

All HSCMV Communities: 66%
Allegheny County: 65%
City of Pittsburgh: 47%

- **Of the 568 occupied housing units, 58% are owner occupied and 42% are renter occupied.**
- **88% of housing units are occupied.**

Human Services

593 Individuals receive income supports from DHS[2] in the Whitaker Borough region—a rate of about **51,000 per 100,000** people.

Income supports include Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Supplemental Security Income (SSI), Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF), Medicaid or health insurance through Health Choices. This compares to rates of **45,000 per 100,000** for Allegheny County and **33,000 per 100,000** for the City of Pittsburgh. Data from 2023.

385 Individuals receive SNAP support.	**53** Individuals receive SSI support.	**40** Individuals receive TANF support.	**518** Individuals Medicaid insured.

20 Individuals receive transportation to medical appointments services.

Schools

Graduation Rate Four Year Cohort[3]

	2018-2019	2019-2020	2020-2021	2021-2022	2022-2023
PA Statewide Total	86.5%	87.4%	86.7%	87.0%	87.6%
West Mifflin Area HS	91.0%	94.3%	83.3%	87.0%	85.3%

The cohort graduation rates are a calculation of the percentage of students who have graduated with a regular high school diploma within a designated number of years since the student first entered high school. The rate is determined for a cohort of students who have all entered high school for the first time during the same school year.

Sources: Unless noted, source is American Community Survey, 5 year estimate (2022). 1. United States Census Bureau (2020). 2. Allegheny County Department of Human Services. 3. PA Department of Education. Margins of error are not included here for simplicity. The 2020 U.S. Census utilizes disclosure avoidance processes to ensure confidentiality of the data. Thus, total and racial/ethnic populations are not reported exactly as enumerated.

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