WHO ARE WE?

Hometown Heritage neighborhoods are in urbanized areas within central cities, with older housing, located mainly in the Midwest and South. This slightly smaller market is primarily a family market, married couples (with and without children) and single parents. They work mainly in service, manufacturing, and retail trade industries. 60% of householders are renters, living primarily in single-family homes, with a higher proportion of dwellings in 2–4 unit buildings.

OUR NEIGHBORHOOD

• Renters: About three-fifths of households.
• Primarily family households, married couples with or without children, single parents (Index 203), and multigenerational households (Index 137).
• Primarily single-family homes (61%), with a higher proportion of dwellings in 2–4 unit buildings (Index 225).
• Older housing, built before 1960 (59%), with a higher proportion built in the 1940s (Index 215) or earlier (Index 257).
• Higher percentage of vacant housing units at 18% (Index 155).
• Most households with one or two vehicles (71%), but 19% have no vehicle (Index 204).

SOCIOECONOMIC TRAITS

• Education completed: 38% with a high school diploma only (Index 137); 28% with some college or an associate’s degree (Index 97).
• Higher rates of employment in manufacturing.
• Labor force participation rate is lower at 57.1%.
• Wages and salaries are the primary source of income for 70% of households, with contributions from Supplemental Security Income for 12% (Index 232) and public assistance for 7% (Index 254).
• These cost-conscious consumers purchase sale items in bulk and buy generic over name brands.
• They tend to save money for a specific purpose.
**AGE BY SEX**  (Esri data)

Median Age: 32.4  US: 38.2

- Indicates US

**RACE AND ETHNICITY**  (Esri data)

The Diversity Index summarizes racial and ethnic diversity. The index shows the likelihood that two persons, chosen at random from the same area, belong to different race or ethnic groups. The index ranges from 0 (no diversity) to 100 (complete diversity).

Diversity Index: 75.7  US: 64.0

**INCOME AND NET WORTH**

Net worth measures total household assets (homes, vehicles, investments, etc.) less any debts, secured (e.g., mortgages) or unsecured (credit cards). Household income and net worth are estimated by Esri.

**AVERAGE HOUSEHOLD BUDGET INDEX**

The index compares the average amount spent in this market’s household budgets for housing, food, apparel, etc., to the average amount spent by all US households. An index of 100 is average. An index of 120 shows that average spending by consumers in this market is 20 percent above the national average. Consumer expenditures are estimated by Esri.

**OCCUPATION BY EARNINGS**

The five occupations with the highest number of workers in the market are displayed by median earnings. Data from the Census Bureau’s American Community Survey.
MARKET PROFILE  (Consumer preferences are estimated from data by MRI-Simmons.)

- For those with young children at home, watching Disney Channel, Cartoon Network, and Nickelodeon on TV is popular; diapers, baby food, and children’s clothing are priority expenditures.
- Favor shopping at their local discount store, search for bargains on the internet, or purchasing from in-home sales representatives.
- Read parenting and health magazines.
- Watch programs on BET, VH1, and Game Show Network.
- Prefer to listen to gospel, R&B, rap, and hip-hop music.
- Like to listen to sports on the radio and watch on TV. Favorite sports include NASCAR racing, professional wrestling, and basketball.

HOUSING
Median home value is displayed for markets that are primarily owner occupied; average rent is shown for renter-occupied markets. Tenure and home value are estimated by Esri. Housing type and average rent are from the Census Bureau’s American Community Survey.

Typical Housing:
Single Family
Average Rent: $710
US Average: $1,038

ESRI INDEXES
Esri developed three indexes to display average household wealth, socioeconomic status and housing affordability for the market relative to the US.

- **Wealth Index**
  - Value: 30
  - US Percentage: 62.7% Own 37.3% Rent
  - US Average: 100

- **Socioeconomic Status Index**
  - Value: 34.8

- **Housing Affordability Index**
  - Value: 178

POPULATION CHARACTERISTICS
Total population, average annual population change since Census 2010, and average density (population per square mile) are displayed for the market relative to the size and change among all Tapestry markets. Data estimated by Esri.

- Population
  - 900,000
  - 11,000,000
- Population Growth (Annual %)
  - -0.5%
  - 3.0%
- Population Density (Persons per sq. mile)
  - 0
  - 25,000
  - 76
  - 1000
SEGMENT DENSITY
This map illustrates the density and distribution of the Hometown Heritage Tapestry Segment by households.