

Following the Path to Asian American Homeownership: An Analysis of 13 U.S. Metropolitan Areas

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POPULATION SIZE & COMPOSITION

Table 1: Metropolitan Statistical Areas (MSA) with the Largest Asian Population

Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA)	Total Population		Total Asian Population			
	2005 Estimate	2008 Estimate	2005 Estimate	2008 Estimate	Rank	% Asian
Los Angeles-Long Beach-Santa Ana, CA Metro Area	12,703,423	12,872,808	1,854,565	1,910,486	1	15%
New York, Northern New Jersey-Long Island, NY-NJ-PA Metro Area	18,351,099	19,006,798	1,731,977	1,888,188	2	10%
San Francisco-Oakland-Fremont, CA Metro Area	4,071,751	4,274,531	964,935	1,024,899	3	24%
Chicago-Naperville-Joliet, IL-IN-WI Metro Area	9,272,117	9,568,532	503,300	550,925	4	6%
Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV Metro Area	5,119,490	5,356,474	462,312	511,899	5	10%
Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue, WA Metro Area	3,133,715	3,344,813	372,568	406,816	6	12%
Houston-Sugar Land-Baytown, TX Metro Area	5,193,448	5,722,952	310,433	356,034	7	6%
Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington, TX Metro Area	5,727,391	6,303,407	285,675	332,969	8	5%
Boston-Cambridge-Quincy, MA-NH Metro Area	4,270,631	4,522,858	260,549	291,799	9	6%
Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario, CA Metro Area	3,827,946	4,115,871	229,653	276,745	10	7%
Sacramento-Arden-Arcade-Roseville, CA Metro Area	2,004,476	2,109,832	256,256	271,335	11	13%
Atlanta-Sandy Springs-Marietta, GA Metro Area	4,828,838	5,368,070	208,786	244,780	12	5%
Las Vegas-Paradise, NV Metro Area	1,691,293	1,865,746	134,759	159,147	13	9%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2008 American Community Survey and 2005 American Community Survey, Selected Population Profiles S0201 and Detailed Tables B02006

In 2005, the three metropolitan statistical areas with the largest number of Asian-Americans were:

- Los Angeles-Long Beach-Santa Ana, CA Metro Area (1.9 mil)
- New York, Northern New Jersey-Long Island, NY-NJ-PA Metro Area (1.7 mil)
- San Francisco-Oakland-Fremont, CA Metro Area (approx. 1 mil)

In 2008, these three areas remained the top three MSAs with the largest Asian population. Interestingly, every MSA had an increase in the number of Asian-Americans, in turn making up a larger proportion of the population from 2005 to 2008.

Out of the five MSAs with the largest proportion of Asian-Americans in 2008, the top four are located in the West (highlighted in Table 1):

1. San Francisco-Oakland-Fremont, CA Metro Area (24%)
2. Los Angeles-Long Beach-Santa Ana, CA Metro Area (15%)
3. Sacramento-Arden-Arcade-Roseville, CA Metro Area (13%)
4. Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue, WA Metro Area (12%)

The MSAs where the largest Asian American population growth rate occurred with a percentage of 10% or more are:

Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario, CA Metro Area	229,653	276,745	21%
Las Vegas-Paradise, NV Metro Area	134,759	159,147	18%
Atlanta-Sandy Springs-Marietta, GA Metro Area	208,786	244,780	17%
Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington, TX Metro Area	285,675	332,969	17%
Houston-Sugar Land-Baytown, TX Metro Area	310,433	356,034	15%
Boston-Cambridge-Quincy, MA-NH Metro Area	260,549	291,799	12%
Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV Metro Area	462,312	511,899	11%

The majority of these MSAs are home to the largest concentration of Asian ethnic groups (e.g. Chinese, Filipinos, Asian Indians, Vietnamese, Koreans, Japanese, etc.), and are also areas with high demand, high cost and an exceedingly dense housing market.

Table 2: Asian American Population in Atlanta-Sandy Springs-Marietta, GA Metro Area, 2008

Ethnic Group	Asian, single race		
	Number	% of Asian population	% of Total population
Asian Indian	69,373	30.6%	1.3%
Korean*	44,231	19.5%	0.8%
Chinese, including Taiwanese*	34,957	15.4%	0.7%
Vietnamese*	34,123	15.1%	0.6%
Other Asian*	12,254	5.4%	0.2%
Filipino*	9,782	4.3%	0.2%
Pakistani*	5,145	2.3%	0.1%
Japanese*	4,519	2.0%	0.1%
Laotian*	4,038	1.8%	0.1%
Bangladeshi*	3,797	1.7%	0.1%
Cambodian*	2,011	0.9%	0.0%
Thai*	1,357	0.6%	0.0%
Hmong*	272	0.1%	0.0%

Indonesian*	231	0.1%	0.0%
Sri Lankan*	178	0.1%	0.0%
Malaysian*	147	0.1%	0.0%
Total Asian Americans	226,415	100%	4.2%

In Atlanta, Asian Indians are the largest Asian ethnic group, making up 31% of the Asian population. The next three largest ethnic groups are Korean (20%), Chinese (15%), and Vietnamese (15%). Together, the top four Asian ethnic groups make up 81% of the Asian population.

Table 3: Asian American Population in Boston-Cambridge-Quincy, MA-NH Metro Area, 2008

Ethnic Group	Asian, single race			Asian, multiple races		
	Number	% of Asian population	% of Total population	Number	% of Asian population	% of Total population
Chinese, including Taiwanese	101,960	37.6%	2.3%	111,529	38.2%	2.5%
Asian Indian*	53,309	19.6%	1.2%	-	-	-
Vietnamese*	31,469	11.6%	0.7%	-	-	-
Cambodian*	19,542	7.2%	0.4%	-	-	-
Korean*	17,361	6.4%	0.4%	-	-	-
Other Asian*	16,426	6.1%	0.4%	-	-	-
Japanese*	9,142	3.4%	0.2%	-	-	-
Filipino*	8,839	3.3%	0.2%	-	-	-
Pakistani*	4,161	1.5%	0.1%	-	-	-
Thai*	2,566	0.9%	0.1%	-	-	-
Laotian*	2,140	0.8%	0.0%	-	-	-
Bangladeshi*	1,986	0.7%	0.0%	-	-	-
Indonesian*	1,251	0.5%	0.0%	-	-	-
Sri Lankan*	1,224	0.5%	0.0%	-	-	-
Malaysian*	100	0.0%	0.0%	-	-	-
Hmong*	0	0.0%	0.0%	-	-	-
Total Asian Americans	271,476	100%	6.0%	291,799	100%	6.5%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2008 American Community Survey, Selected Population Profiles S0201 and Detailed Tables B02006

Note: * Sample sizes are too small to generate a reliable estimate.

In Boston, Chinese are the largest Asian ethnic group, making up 38% of the Asian population. The next three largest ethnic groups are Asian Indian (20%), Vietnamese (12%), and Cambodian (7%). Together, the top four Asian ethnic groups make up 76% of the Asian population.

Table 4: Asian American Population in Chicago-Naperville-Joliet, IL-IN-WI Metro Area, 2008

Asian, single race	Asian, multiple races
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Ethnic Group	Number	% of Asian population	% of Total population	Number	% of Asian population	% of Total population
Asian Indian	162,882	32.2%	1.7%	6	172,39	31.3%
Filipino	103,055	20.3%	1.1%	3	119,80	21.7%
Chinese, including Taiwanese	90,450	17.9%	0.9%	4	100,27	18.2%
Korean*	52,065	10.3%	0.5%	-	-	-
Other Asian*	25,228	5.0%	0.3%	-	-	-
Vietnamese*	23,368	4.6%	0.2%	-	-	-
Pakistani*	22,862	4.5%	0.2%	-	-	-
Japanese*	12,466	2.5%	0.1%	-	-	-
Thai*	4,125	0.8%	0.0%	-	-	-
Cambodian*	3,752	0.7%	0.0%	-	-	-
Laotian*	2,566	0.5%	0.0%	-	-	-
Bangladeshi*	1,644	0.3%	0.0%	-	-	-
Sri Lankan*	1,002	0.2%	0.0%	-	-	-
Malaysian*	601	0.1%	0.0%	-	-	-
Indonesian*	235	0.0%	0.0%	-	-	-
Hmong*	126	0.0%	0.0%	-	-	-
Total Asian Americans	506,427	100%	5.3%	550,925	100%	5.8%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2008 American Community Survey, Selected Population Profiles S0201 and Detailed Tables B02006

Note: * Sample sizes are too small to generate a reliable estimate.

In Chicago, Asian Indians are the largest Asian ethnic group, making up 32% of the Asian population. The next three largest ethnic groups are Filipino (20%), Chinese (18%), and Korean (10%). Together, the top four Asian ethnic groups make up 81% of the Asian population.

Table 5: Asian American Population in Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington, TX Metro Area, 2008

Ethnic Group	Asian, single race			Asian, multiple races		
	Number	% of Asian population	% of Total population	Number	% of Asian population	% of Total population
Asian Indian	80,977	26.7%	1.3%	85,037	25.5%	1.3%
Vietnamese	69,921	23.0%	1.1%	78,240	23.5%	1.2%
Chinese, including Taiwanese*	41,848	13.8%	0.7%	-	-	-
Korean*	30,187	9.9%	0.5%	-	-	-
Filipino*	21,949	7.2%	0.3%	-	-	-
Other Asian*	21,248	7.0%	0.3%	-	-	-
Pakistani*	14,648	4.8%	0.2%	-	-	-
Japanese*	5,953	2.0%	0.1%	-	-	-
Thai*	5,377	1.8%	0.1%	-	-	-
Laotian*	4,638	1.5%	0.1%	-	-	-
Cambodian*	3,886	1.3%	0.1%	-	-	-
Bangladeshi*	2,629	0.9%	0.0%	-	-	-
Sri Lankan*	223	0.1%	0.0%	-	-	-
Indonesian*	168	0.1%	0.0%	-	-	-
Malaysian*	74	0.0%	0.0%	-	-	-
Hmong*	42	0.0%	0.0%	-	-	-
Total Asian Americans	303,768	100%	4.8%	332,969	100%	5.3%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2008 American Community Survey, Selected Population Profiles S0201 and Detailed Tables B02006

Note: * Sample sizes are too small to generate a reliable estimate.

In Dallas, Asian Indians are the largest Asian ethnic group, making up 27% of the Asian population. The next three largest ethnic groups are Vietnamese (23%), Chinese (14%), and Korean (10%). Together, the top four Asian ethnic groups make up 73% of the Asian population.

Table 6: Asian American Population in Houston-Sugar Land-Baytown, TX Metro Area, 2008

Ethnic Group	Asian, single race			Asian, multiple races		
	Number	% of Asian population	% of Total population	Number	% of Asian population	% of Total population
Vietnamese	81,651	24.4%	1.4%	88,809	24.9%	1.6%
Asian Indian	76,757	23.0%	1.3%	82,746	23.2%	1.4%
Chinese, including Taiwanese	65,533	19.6%	1.1%	73,163	20.5%	1.3%
Filipino*	37,445	11.2%	0.7%	-	-	-
Pakistani*	24,771	7.4%	0.4%	-	-	-
Other Asian*	18,544	5.6%	0.3%	-	-	-
Korean*	15,716	4.7%	0.3%	-	-	-
Japanese*	4,142	1.2%	0.1%	-	-	-
Laotian*	2,883	0.9%	0.1%	-	-	-
Bangladeshi*	2,219	0.7%	0.0%	-	-	-
Thai*	1,671	0.5%	0.0%	-	-	-
Indonesian*	1,127	0.3%	0.0%	-	-	-
Malaysian*	798	0.2%	0.0%	-	-	-
Cambodian*	749	0.2%	0.0%	-	-	-
Sri Lankan*	112	0.0%	0.0%	-	-	-
Hmong*	0	0.0%	0.0%	-	-	-
Total Asian Americans	334,118	100%	5.8%	356,034	100%	6.2%

Source :U.S. Census Bureau, 2008 American Community Survey, Selected Population Profiles S0201 and Detailed Tables B02006

Note: * Sample sizes are too small to generate a reliable estimate.

In Houston, Vietnamese are the largest Asian ethnic group, making up 24% of the Asian population. The next three largest ethnic groups are Asian Indian (23%), Chinese (20%), and Filipino (11%). Together, the top four Asian ethnic groups make up 79% of the Asian population.

Table 7: Asian American Population in Las Vegas-Paradise, NV Metro Area, 2008

Ethnic Group	Asian, single race			Asian, multiple races		
	Number	% of Asian population	% of Total population	Number	% of Asian population	% of Total population
Filipino	70,342	52.7%	3.8%	85,707	53.9%	4.6%
Chinese, including Taiwanese*	18,548	13.9%	1.0%	-	-	-
Korean*	9,078	6.8%	0.5%	-	-	-
Asian Indian*	7,645	5.7%	0.4%	-	-	-
Japanese*	7,514	5.6%	0.4%	-	-	-
Other Asian*	7,326	5.5%	0.4%	-	-	-
Thai*	4,956	3.7%	0.3%	-	-	-
Vietnamese*	4,550	3.4%	0.2%	-	-	-
Laotian*	1,453	1.1%	0.1%	-	-	-
Cambodian*	682	0.5%	0.0%	-	-	-
Pakistani*	566	0.4%	0.0%	-	-	-
Indonesian*	397	0.3%	0.0%	-	-	-
Hmong*	200	0.1%	0.0%	-	-	-
Bangladeshi*	133	0.1%	0.0%	-	-	-
Malaysian*	0	0.0%	0.0%	-	-	-
Sri Lankan*	0	0.0%	0.0%	-	-	-
Total Asian Americans	133,390	100%	7.1%	159,147	100%	8.5%

Source :U.S. Census Bureau, 2008 American Community Survey, Selected Population Profiles S0201 and Detailed Tables B02006

Note: * Sample sizes are too small to generate a reliable estimate.

In Las Vegas, Filipinos are the largest Asian ethnic group, making up 53% of the Asian population. The next three largest ethnic groups are Chinese (14%), Korean (7%), and Asian Indian (6%). Together, the top four Asian ethnic groups make up 79% of the Asian population.

Table 8: Asian American Population in Los Angeles-Long Beach-Santa Ana, CA Metro Area, 2008

Ethnic Group	Asian, single race			Asian, multiple races		
	Number	% of Asian population	% of Total population	Number	% of Asian population	% of Total population
Chinese, including Taiwanese	438,547	24.8%	3.4%	495,869	26.0%	3.9%
Filipino	389,134	22.0%	3.0%	445,702	23.3%	3.5%
Korean	283,033	16.0%	2.2%	299,907	15.7%	2.3%
Vietnamese	244,923	13.9%	1.9%	272,903	14.3%	2.1%
Japanese	115,605	6.5%	0.9%	168,940	8.8%	1.3%
Asian Indian	106,882	6.0%	0.8%	118,718	6.2%	0.9%
Other Asian*	91,170	5.2%	0.7%	-	-	-
Cambodian*	38,838	2.2%	0.3%	-	-	-
Thai*	22,039	1.2%	0.2%	-	-	-
Pakistani*	10,531	0.6%	0.1%	-	-	-
Indonesian*	8,395	0.5%	0.1%	-	-	-
Laotian*	7,611	0.4%	0.1%	-	-	-
Sri Lankan*	5,813	0.3%	0.0%	-	-	-
Bangladeshi*	3,748	0.2%	0.0%	-	-	-
Hmong*	1,251	0.1%	0.0%	-	-	-
Malaysian*	813	0.0%	0.0%	-	-	-
Total Asian Americans	1,768,333	100%	13.7%	1,910,486	100%	14.8%

Source :U.S. Census Bureau, 2008 American Community Survey, Selected Population Profiles S0201 and Detailed Tables B02006
 Note: * Sample sizes are too small to generate a reliable estimate.

In Los Angeles, Chinese are the largest Asian ethnic group, making up 25% of the Asian population. The next three largest ethnic groups are Filipino (22%), Korean (16%), and Vietnamese (14%). Together, the top four Asian ethnic groups make up 77% of the Asian population.

Table 9: Asian American Population in New York, Northern New Jersey-Long Island, NY-NJ-PA Metro Area, 2008

Ethnic Group	Asian, single race			Asian, multiple races		
	Number	% of Asian population	% of Total population	Number	% of Asian population	% of Total population
Chinese, including Taiwanese	627,497	35.1%	3.3%	661,843	35.1%	3.5%
Asian Indian	506,682	28.4%	2.7%	541,504	28.7%	2.8%
Filipino	198,369	11.1%	1.0%	222,711	11.8%	1.2%
Korean	173,891	9.7%	0.9%	187,273	9.9%	1.0%
Pakistani	61,441	3.4%	0.3%	73,708	3.9%	0.4%
Japanese	45,643	2.6%	0.2%	70,654	3.7%	0.4%
Vietnamese	49,079	2.7%	0.3%	66,831	3.5%	0.4%
Other Asian*	64,742	3.6%	0.3%	-	-	-
Bangladeshi*	37,651	2.1%	0.2%	-	-	-
Thai*	7,855	0.4%	0.0%	-	-	-
Sri Lankan*	5,623	0.3%	0.0%	-	-	-
Indonesian*	3,282	0.2%	0.0%	-	-	-
Malaysian*	1,988	0.1%	0.0%	-	-	-
Cambodian*	1,805	0.1%	0.0%	-	-	-
Laotian*	637	0.0%	0.0%	-	-	-
Hmong*	0	0.0%	0.0%	-	-	-
Total Asian Americans	1,786,185	100%	9.4%	1,888,188	100%	9.9%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2008 American Community Survey, Selected Population Profiles S0201 and Detailed Tables B02006

Note: * Sample sizes are too small to generate a reliable estimate.

In New York, Chinese are the largest Asian ethnic group, making up 35% of the Asian population. The next three largest ethnic groups are Asian Indian (29%), Filipino (11%), and Korean (10%). Together, the top four Asian ethnic groups make up 84% of the Asian population.

Table 10: Asian American Population in Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario, CA Metro Area, 2008

Ethnic Group	Asian, single race			Asian, multiple races		
	Number	% of Asian population	% of Total population	Number	% of Asian population	% of Total population
Filipino	84,154	35.9%	2.0%	104,796	37.9%	2.5%
Chinese, including Taiwanese*	33,440	14.3%	0.8%	-	-	-
Vietnamese*	30,405	13.0%	0.7%	-	-	-
Asian Indian*	24,881	10.6%	0.6%	-	-	-
Korean*	22,253	9.5%	0.5%	-	-	-
Other Asian*	13,058	5.6%	0.3%	-	-	-
Japanese*	6,683	2.8%	0.2%	-	-	-
Indonesian*	5,678	2.4%	0.1%	-	-	-
Laotian*	3,880	1.7%	0.1%	-	-	-
Pakistani*	3,037	1.3%	0.1%	-	-	-
Thai*	2,992	1.3%	0.1%	-	-	-
Cambodian*	2,079	0.9%	0.1%	-	-	-
Sri Lankan*	1,062	0.5%	0.0%	-	-	-
Bangladeshi*	471	0.2%	0.0%	-	-	-
Hmong*	284	0.1%	0.0%	-	-	-
Malaysian*	223	0.1%	0.0%	-	-	-
Total Asian Americans	234,580	100%	5.7%	276,745	100%	6.7%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2008 American Community Survey, Selected Population Profiles S0201 and Detailed Tables B02006

Note: * Sample sizes are too small to generate a reliable estimate.

In Riverside, Filipinos are the largest Asian ethnic group, making up 36% of the Asian population. The next three largest ethnic groups are Chinese (14%), Vietnamese (13%), and Asian Indian (11%). Together, the top four Asian ethnic groups make up 74% of the Asian population.

Table 11: Asian American Population in Sacramento-Arden-Arcade-Roseville, CA Metro Area, 2008

Ethnic Group	Asian, single race			Asian, multiple races		
	Number	% of Asian population	% of Total population	Number	% of Asian population	% of Total population
Filipino	54,269	22.7%	2.6%	65,831	24.3%	3.1%
Chinese, including Taiwanese*	50,409	21.1%	2.4%	-	-	-
Asian Indian*	32,217	13.5%	1.5%	-	-	-
Vietnamese*	22,642	9.5%	1.1%	-	-	-
Hmong*	21,097	8.8%	1.0%	-	-	-
Other Asian*	15,877	6.6%	0.8%	-	-	-
Japanese*	14,232	6.0%	0.7%	-	-	-
Korean*	10,162	4.3%	0.5%	-	-	-
Pakistani*	5,642	2.4%	0.3%	-	-	-
Laotian*	4,918	2.1%	0.2%	-	-	-
Thai*	3,780	1.6%	0.2%	-	-	-
Cambodian*	3,082	1.3%	0.1%	-	-	-
Indonesian*	398	0.2%	0.0%	-	-	-
Sri Lankan*	123	0.1%	0.0%	-	-	-
Bangladeshi*	114	0.0%	0.0%	-	-	-
Malaysian*	91	0.0%	0.0%	-	-	-
Total Asian Americans	239,053	100%	11.3%	271,335	100%	12.9%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2008 American Community Survey, Selected Population Profiles, S0201, and Detailed Tables B02006

Note: * Sample sizes are too small to generate a reliable estimate.

In Sacramento, Filipinos are the largest Asian ethnic group, making up 23% of the Asian population. The next three largest ethnic groups are Chinese (21%), Asian Indian (14%), and Vietnamese (10%). Together, the top four Asian ethnic groups make up 67% of the Asian population.

Table 12: Asian American Population in San Francisco-Oakland-Fremont, CA Metro Area, 2008

Ethnic Group	Asian, single race			Asian, multiple races		
	Number	% of Asian population	% of Total population	Number	% of Asian population	% of Total population
Chinese, including Taiwanese	389,906	41.4%	9.1%	428,471	41.8%	10.0%
Filipino	244,068	25.9%	5.7%	282,760	27.6%	6.6%
Asian Indian	98,234	10.4%	2.3%	107,486	10.5%	2.5%
Vietnamese	59,303	6.3%	1.4%	71,269	7.0%	1.7%
Other Asian*	46,513	4.9%	1.1%	-	-	-
Korean*	42,410	4.5%	1.0%	-	-	-
Japanese*	35,335	3.8%	0.8%	-	-	-
Pakistani*	8,536	0.9%	0.2%	-	-	-
Laotian*	4,951	0.5%	0.1%	-	-	-
Thai*	4,526	0.5%	0.1%	-	-	-
Cambodian*	3,187	0.3%	0.1%	-	-	-
Indonesian*	2,957	0.3%	0.1%	-	-	-
Hmong*	902	0.1%	0.0%	-	-	-
Bangladeshi*	675	0.1%	0.0%	-	-	-
Sri Lankan*	366	0.0%	0.0%	-	-	-
Malaysian*	227	0.0%	0.0%	-	-	-
Total Asian Americans	942,096	100%	22.0%	1,024,899	100%	24.0%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2008 American Community Survey, Selected Population Profiles S0201 and Detailed Tables B02006

Note: * Sample sizes are too small to generate a reliable estimate.

In San Francisco, Chinese are the largest Asian ethnic group, making up 42% of the Asian population. The next three largest ethnic groups are Filipino (26%), Asian Indian (10%), and

Vietnamese (6%). Together, the top four Asian ethnic groups make up 84% of the Asian population.

Table 13: Asian American Population in Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue, WA Metro Area, 2008

Ethnic Group	Asian, single race			Asian, multiple races		
	Number	% of Asian population	% of Total population	Number	% of Asian population	% of Total population
Chinese, including Taiwanese	73,444	21.3%	2.2%	91,113	22.4%	2.7%
Filipino	58,714	17.0%	1.8%	81,305	20.0%	2.4%
Korean	55,622	16.1%	1.7%	67,134	16.5%	2.0%
Vietnamese*	43,219	12.5%	1.3%	-	-	-
Asian Indian*	39,989	11.6%	1.2%	-	-	-
Other Asian*	23,930	6.9%	0.7%	-	-	-
Japanese*	22,936	6.6%	0.7%	-	-	-
Cambodian*	11,885	3.4%	0.4%	-	-	-
Laotian*	4,721	1.4%	0.1%	-	-	-
Thai*	3,897	1.1%	0.1%	-	-	-
Pakistani*	2,896	0.8%	0.1%	-	-	-
Hmong*	1,444	0.4%	0.0%	-	-	-
Indonesian*	1,439	0.4%	0.0%	-	-	-
Sri Lankan*	595	0.2%	0.0%	-	-	-
Bangladeshi*	259	0.1%	0.0%	-	-	-
Malaysian*	126	0.0%	0.0%	-	-	-
Total Asian Americans	345,116	100%	10.3%	406,816	100%	12.2%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2008 American Community Survey, Selected Population Profiles S0201 and Detailed Tables B02006

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In Seattle, Chinese are the largest Asian ethnic group, making up 21% of the Asian population. The next three largest ethnic groups are Filipino (17%), Korean (16%), and Vietnamese (13%). Together, the top four Asian ethnic groups make up 67% of the Asian population.

Table 14: Asian American Population in Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV Metro Area, 2008

Ethnic Group	Asian, single race			Asian, multiple races		
	Number	% of Asian population	% of Total population	Number	% of Asian population	% of Total population
Asian Indian	109,206	23.9%	2.0%	117,786	23.0%	2.2%
Chinese, including Taiwanese	86,520	18.9%	1.6%	100,942	19.7%	1.9%
Korean	68,981	15.1%	1.3%	76,756	15.0%	1.4%
Vietnamese	57,204	12.5%	1.1%	67,423	13.2%	1.3%
Filipino*	48,766	10.7%	0.9%	-	-	-
Other Asian*	31,255	6.8%	0.6%	-	-	-
Pakistani*	17,873	3.9%	0.3%	-	-	-
Japanese*	13,939	3.0%	0.3%	-	-	-
Bangladeshi*	6,253	1.4%	0.1%	-	-	-
Thai*	5,009	1.1%	0.1%	-	-	-
Cambodian*	3,328	0.7%	0.1%	-	-	-
Laotian*	3,153	0.7%	0.1%	-	-	-
Indonesian*	2,843	0.6%	0.1%	-	-	-
Sri Lankan*	2,724	0.6%	0.1%	-	-	-
Malaysian*	256	0.1%	0.0%	-	-	-
Hmong*	0	0.0%	0.0%	-	-	-
Total Asian Americans	457,310	100%	8.5%	511,899	100%	9.6%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2008 American Community Survey, Selected Population Profiles S0201 and Detailed Tables B02006

Note: * Sample sizes are too small to generate a reliable estimate.

In the Washington DC area, Asian Indians are the largest Asian ethnic group, making up 24% of the Asian population. The next three largest ethnic groups are Chinese (19%), Korean (15%), and Vietnamese (13%). Together, the top four Asian ethnic groups make up 70% of the Asian population.

HOUSING

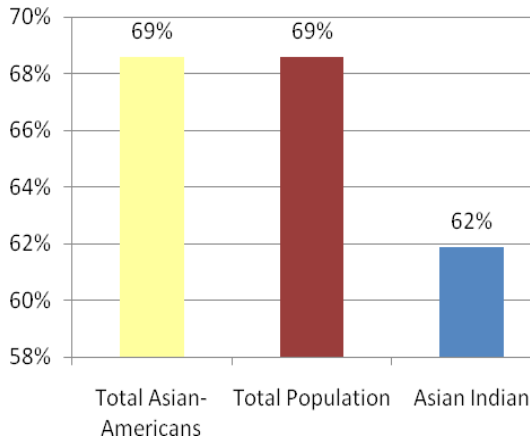
In 2005, the homeownership rates of Asian Americans lagged behind the total population in the following metropolitan areas: Atlanta, Boston, Dallas, New York, Sacramento, and Seattle. There were some metro areas where homeownership rates slightly increased for Asian Americans from 2005 to 2008, such as Atlanta, Dallas, Riverside, Sacramento, Seattle, and Washington DC. In the remaining metro areas, the homeownership rates of Asian Americans have either returned to the same 2005 levels or declined significantly. This can be explained by the fact that Asian Americans are highly concentrated in geographic areas where the housing bubble is considerably larger than in the rest of the nation.

Asian Americans made considerable progress in closing the homeownership gap. However, the cost of owning a home has increased more rapidly than household income, and the burden has grown more rapidly for Asian Americans. As a result, those gains have probably been wiped out due to the housing crisis.

Table 15: Homeownership Rates of Asian Americans, 2005 and 2008

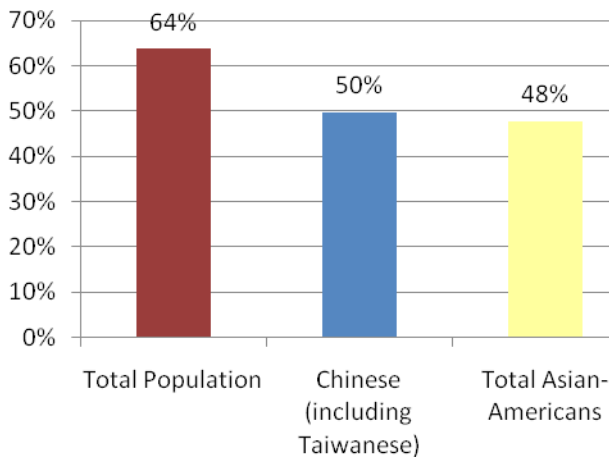
Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA)	2005				2008			
	Total Households (HH)	Total Home Owner %	Total Asian HH	Asian Home Owner %	Total Households (HH)	Total Home Owner %	Total Asian HH	Asian Home Owner %
Atlanta-Sandy Springs-Marietta, GA Metro Area	1,781,766	68%	61,113	67%	1,891,993	69%	69,572	69%
Boston-Cambridge-Quincy, MA-NH Metro Area	1,682,319	64%	85,168	48%	1,707,169	64%	89,792	48%
Chicago-Naperville-Joliet, IL-IN-WI Metro Area	3,360,273	68%	160,552	69%	3,421,890	68%	175,908	65%
Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington, TX Metro Area	2,040,392	63%	87,876	62%	2,182,455	63%	102,935	63%
Houston-Sugar Land-Baytown, TX Metro Area	1,820,951	63%	97,103	71%	1,963,049	63%	105,878	70%
Las Vegas-Paradise, NV Metro Area	637,740	60%	43,570	67%	684,605	58%	50,709	67%
Los Angeles-Long Beach-Santa Ana, CA Metro Area	4,154,312	52%	585,100	53%	4,139,921	51%	587,825	52%
New York, Northern New Jersey-Long Island, NY-NJ-PA Metro Area	6,728,463	53%	538,394	51%	6,760,231	53%	575,450	51%
Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario, CA Metro Area	1,211,929	68%	63,813	69%	1,227,804	65%	68,961	70%
Sacramento-Arden-Arcade-Roseville, CA Metro Area	745,740	63%	80,346	60%	764,628	62%	80,838	61%
San Francisco-Oakland-Fremont, CA Metro Area	1,562,501	58%	312,043	59%	1,566,000	57%	308,626	58%
Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue, WA Metro Area	1,280,591	63%	123,011	59%	1,341,688	64%	135,492	63%
Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV Metro Area	1,944,465	67%	151,573	69%	1,981,003	67%	160,292	70%

Figure 1: Homeownership Rates of Asian American Households in Atlanta-Sandy Springs-Marietta, GA Metro Area, 2008



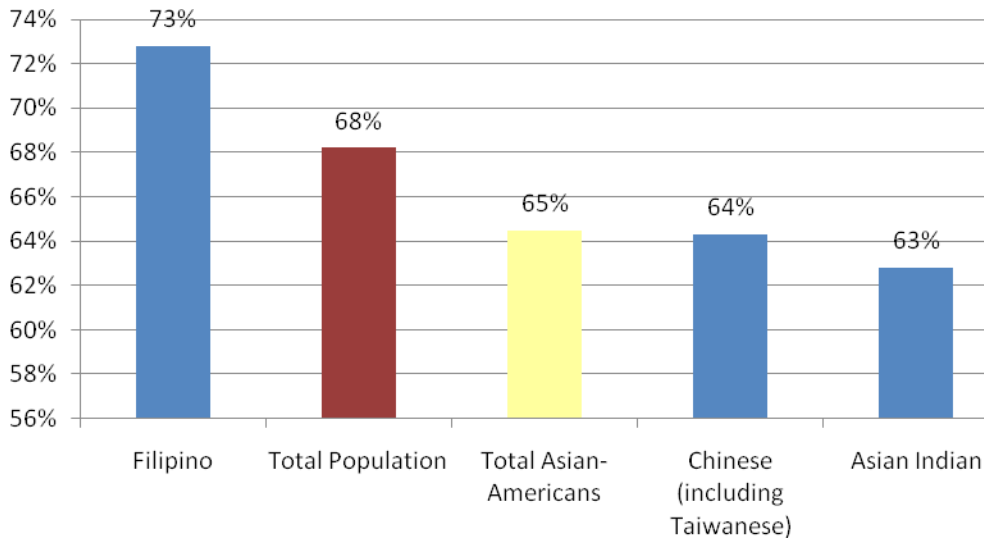
In Atlanta, the homeownership rates of Asian Indians were lower than both the total Asian American and general population.

Figure 2: Homeownership Rates of Asian American Households in Boston-Cambridge-Quincy, MA-NH Metro Area, 2008



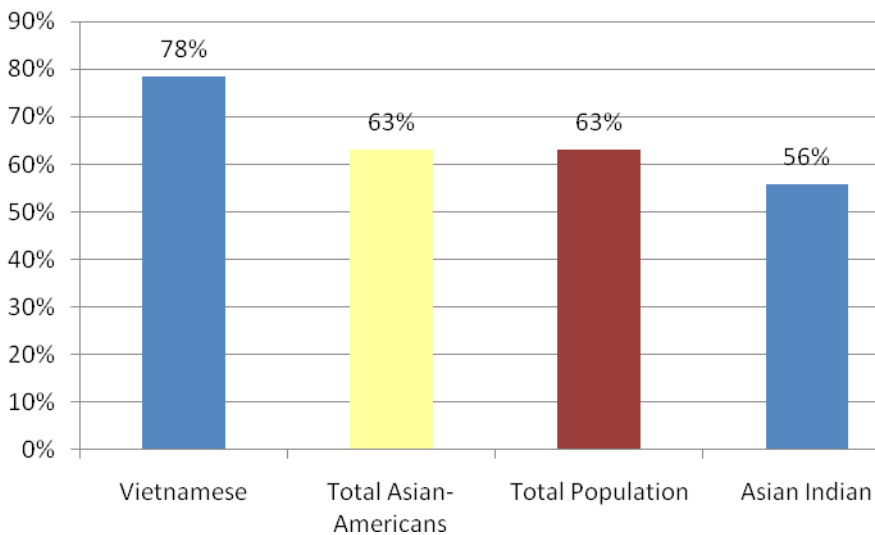
In Boston, the homeownership rates of Chinese were higher than the total of Asian Americans, but lower than the total population.

Figure 3: Homeownership Rates of Asian American Households in Chicago-Naperville-Joliet, IL-IN-WI Metro Area, 2008



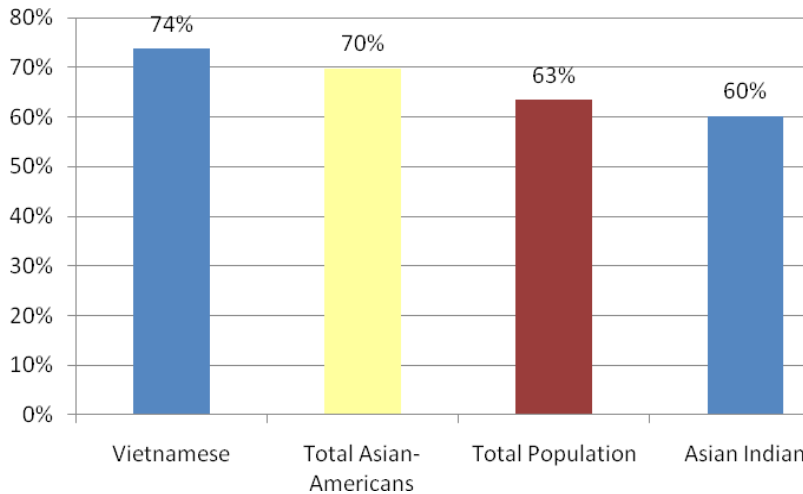
In Chicago, the homeownership rates of Filipinos were much higher than both the total Asian American and general population. The homeownership rates of Chinese and Asian Indians were slightly lower, in comparison to the total Asian American population.

Figure 4: Homeownership Rates of Asian American Households in Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington, TX Metro Area, 2008



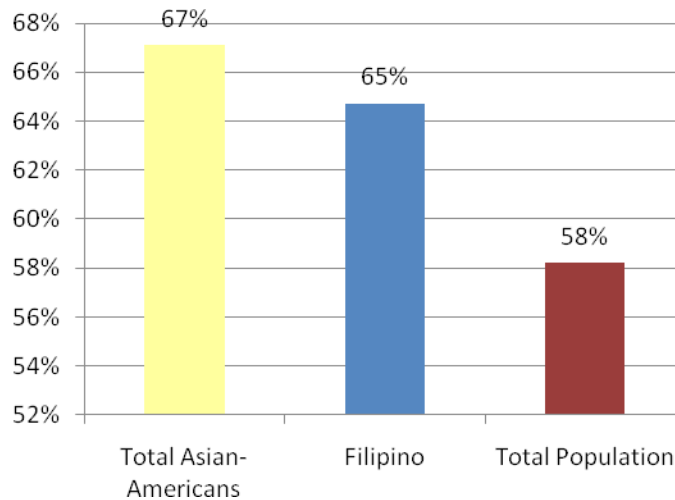
In Dallas, the homeownership rates of Vietnamese were much higher by 15% than both the total Asian American and general population. In comparison, the homeownership rates of Asian Indians were much lower.

Figure 5: Homeownership Rates of Asian American Households in Houston-Sugar Land-Baytown, TX Metro Area, 2008



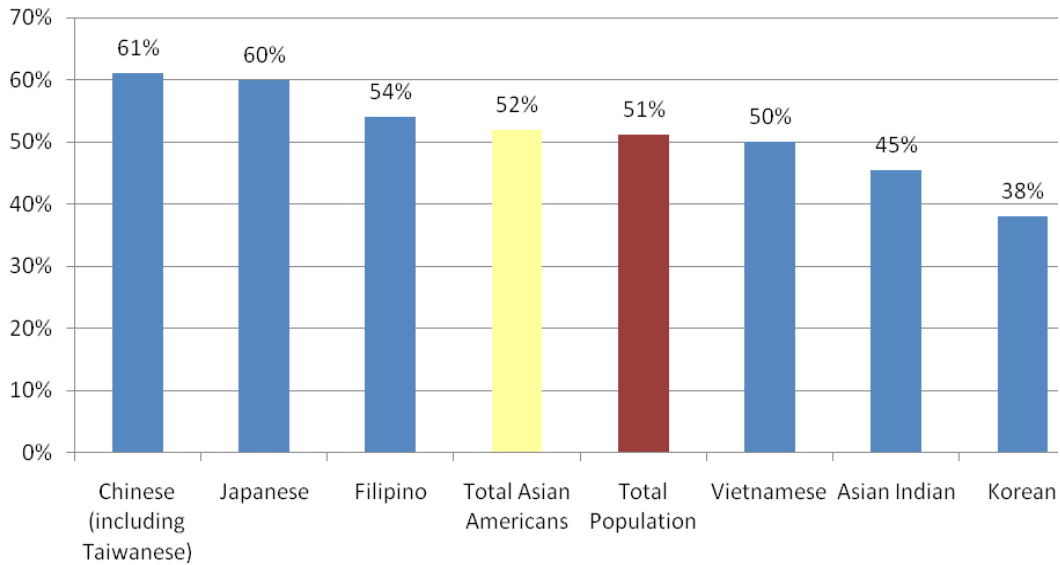
In Houston, the homeownership rates of Vietnamese were much higher than both the total Asian American and general population. In comparison, the homeownership rates of Asian Indians were much lower.

Figure 6: Homeownership Rates of Asian American Households in Las Vegas-Paradise, NV Metro Area, 2008



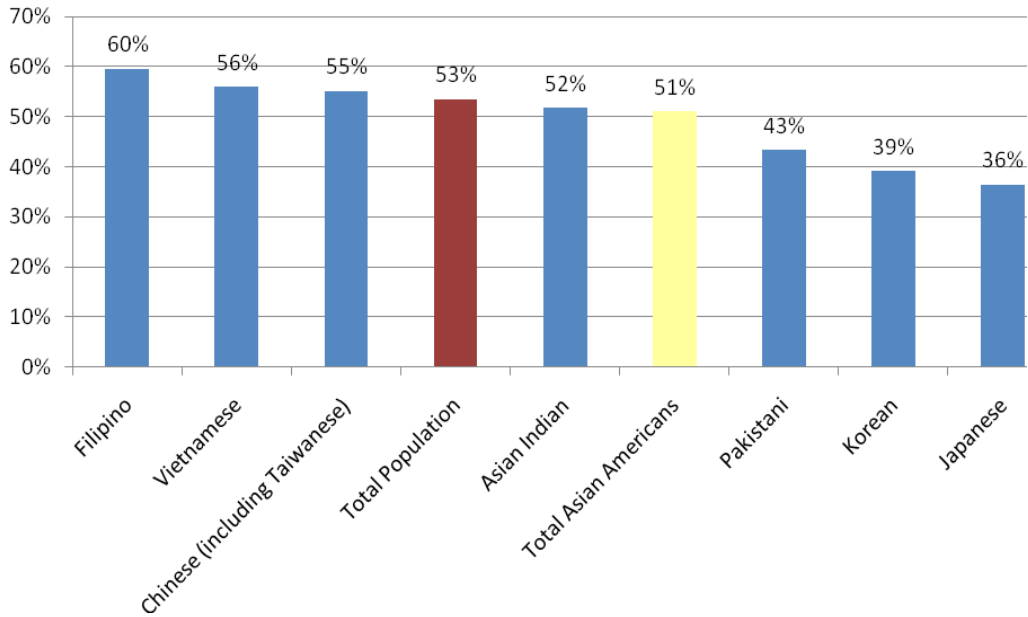
In Las Vegas, overall Asian Americans and Filipinos have higher much higher homeownership rates compared with the total population.

Figure 7: Homeownership Rates of Asian American Households in Los Angeles-Long Beach-Santa Ana, CA Metro Area, 2008



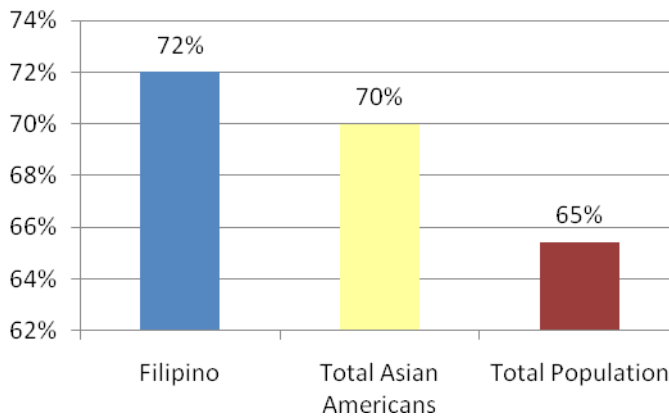
In Los Angeles, Chinese, Japanese, and Filipinos have higher homeownership rates compared with the total Asian American and general population. Vietnamese and Asian Indians slightly lag behind the total population, with Koreans having the lowest homeownership rate at 38%.

Figure 8: Homeownership Rates of Asian American Households in New York, Northern New Jersey-Long Island, NY-NJ-PA Metro Area, 2008



In New York, Filipinos, Vietnamese, and Chinese have higher homeownership rates compared with the total Asian American and general population. Asian Indians slightly lag behind the total population, with Pakistani, Koreans, and Japanese having much lower homeownership rates.

Figure 9: Homeownership Rates of Asian American Households in Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario, CA Metro Area, 2008



In Riverside, overall Filipinos and Asian Americans have higher much higher homeownership rates compared with the total population.

Figure 10: Homeownership Rates of Asian American Households in Sacramento-Arden-Arcade-Roseville, CA Metro Area, 2008

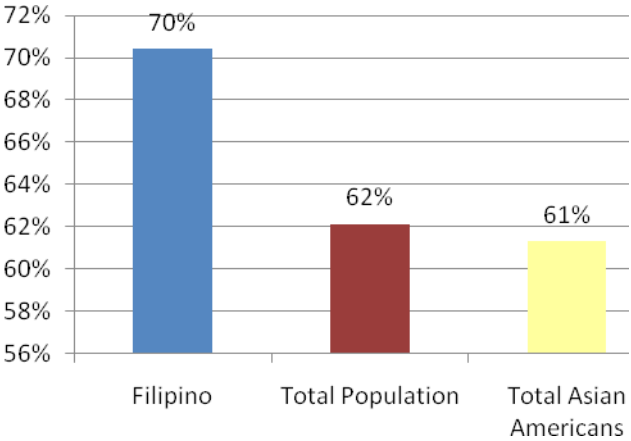


Figure 11: Homeownership Rates of Asian American Households in San Francisco-Oakland-Fremont, CA Metro Area, 2008

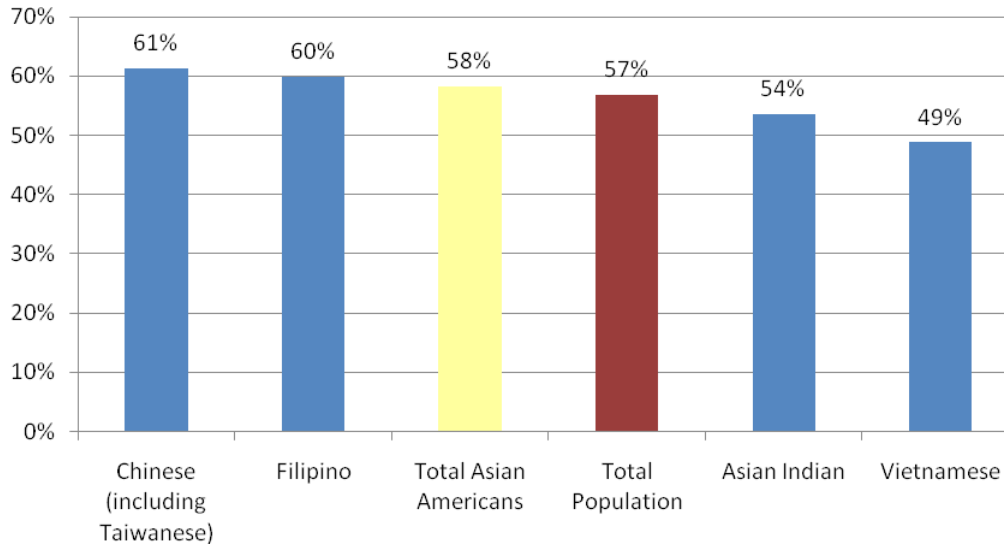


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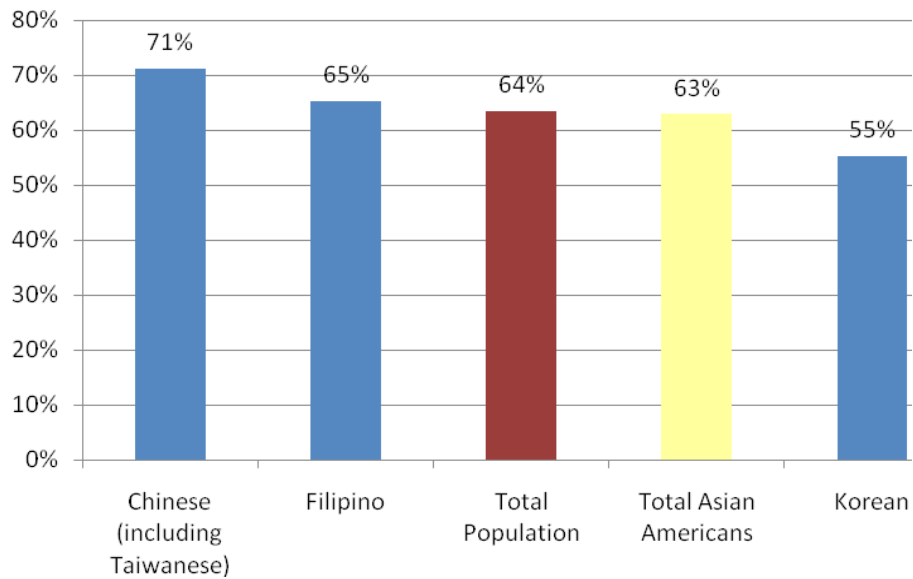
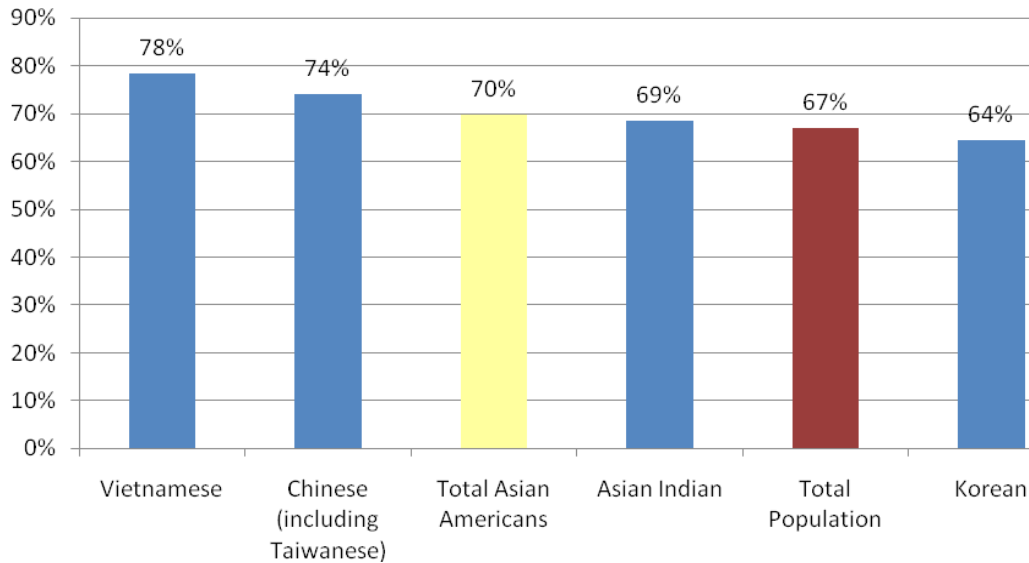


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INCOME

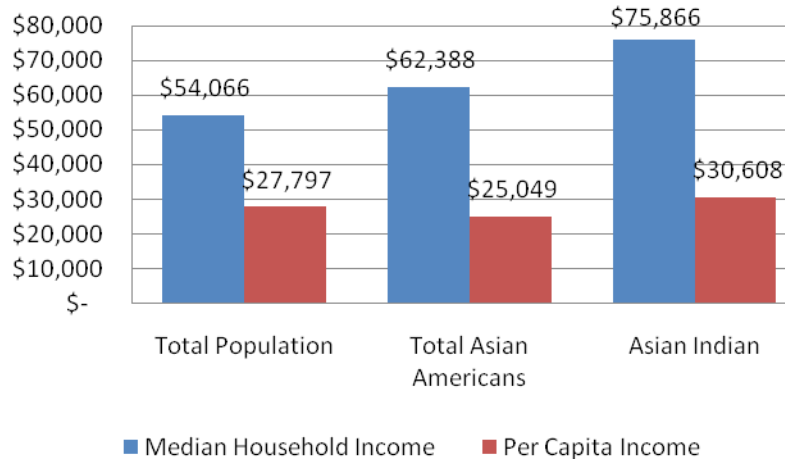
Table 16: Median Household Income (MHI) and Per Capita Income (PCI) of Asian Americans, 2005 and 2008

Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA)	2005				2008			
	Total Population		Asian Population		Total Population		Asian Population	
	Median Household Income	Per Capita Income	Median Household Income	Per Capita Income	Median Household Income	Per Capita Income	Median Household Income	Per Capita Income
Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV Metro Area	74,708	37,400	80,669	32,549	85,824	41,929	91,204	35,583
San Francisco-Oakland-Fremont, CA Metro Area	65,382	35,918	70,465	30,222	76,848	40,511	81,789	32,989
Chicago-Naperville-Joliet, IL-IN-WI Metro Area	54,709	27,829	67,318	29,751	61,295	30,638	75,478	32,566
Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario, CA Metro Area	50,756	21,732	60,243	22,145	56,472	23,150	75,474	26,661
New York, Northern New Jersey-Long Island, NY-NJ-PA Metro Area	56,120	31,244	63,050	28,204	64,747	35,033	75,322	32,187
Boston-Cambridge-Quincy, MA-NH Metro Area	62,068	33,388	66,371	30,633	71,361	37,203	73,848	29,869
Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue, WA Metro Area	54,962	30,554	56,801	25,299	66,465	35,204	71,148	29,628
Houston-Sugar Land-Baytown, TX Metro Area	46,705	24,469	60,383	26,844	56,250	28,288	68,864	28,123
Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington, TX Metro Area	49,740	25,768	55,774	23,700	56,377	28,310	68,477	28,686
Atlanta-Sandy Springs-Marietta, GA Metro Area	54,066	27,797	62,388	25,049	60,682	29,678	68,134	26,794
Los Angeles-Long Beach-Santa Ana, CA Metro Area	51,824	26,193	56,266	25,614	60,264	29,198	66,512	28,713
Las Vegas-Paradise, NV Metro Area	49,571	24,809	53,710	21,692	56,696	27,383	65,197	26,473
Sacramento-Arden-Arcade-Roseville, CA Metro Area	53,890	26,606	54,881	21,280	61,029	28,602	61,623	24,334

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2008 American Community Survey and 2005 American Community Survey, Selected Population Profiles S0201

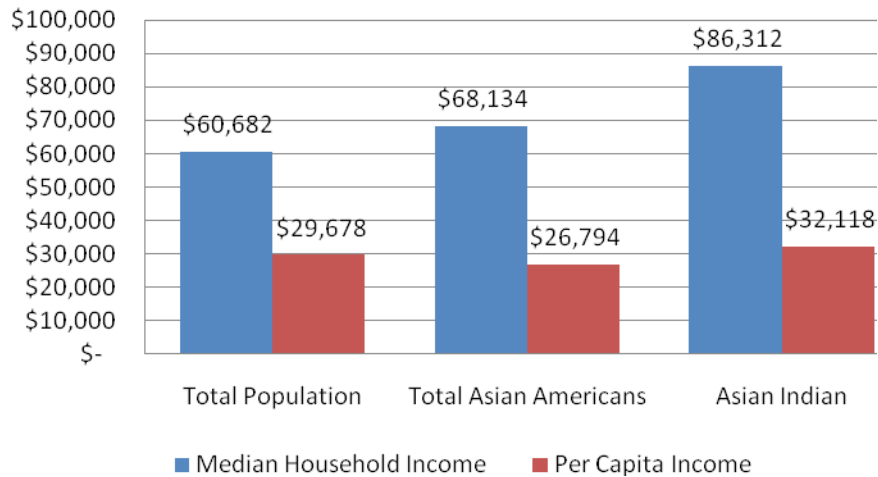
In both 2005 and 2008, Asian Americans on the whole had higher median household incomes when compared to the total population of the metropolitan area. However, when comparing median per capita incomes between the Asian population and the total population, the results are very different. In the majority of the MSAs examined, Asian Americans had a lower median per capita income than the total population, with the exception of Chicago (2005 & 2008), Dallas (2008), Houston (2005), Riverside (2005 & 2008).

Figure 14: MHI and PCI of Asian Americans in Atlanta-Sandy Springs-Marietta, GA Metro Area, 2005



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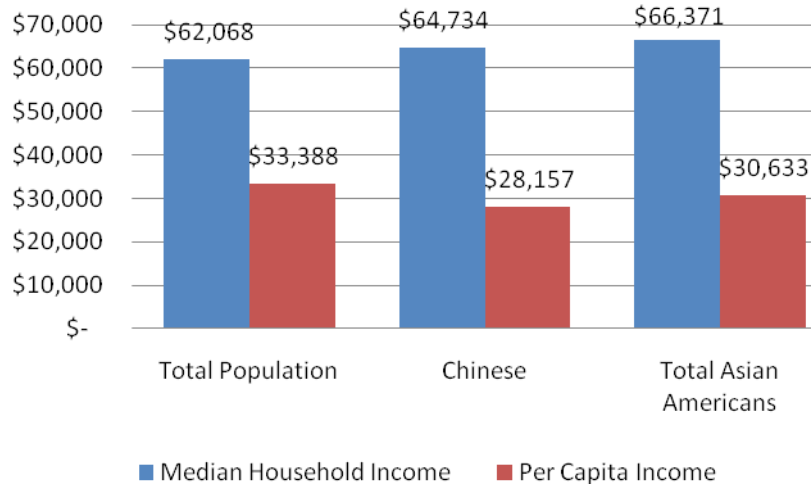
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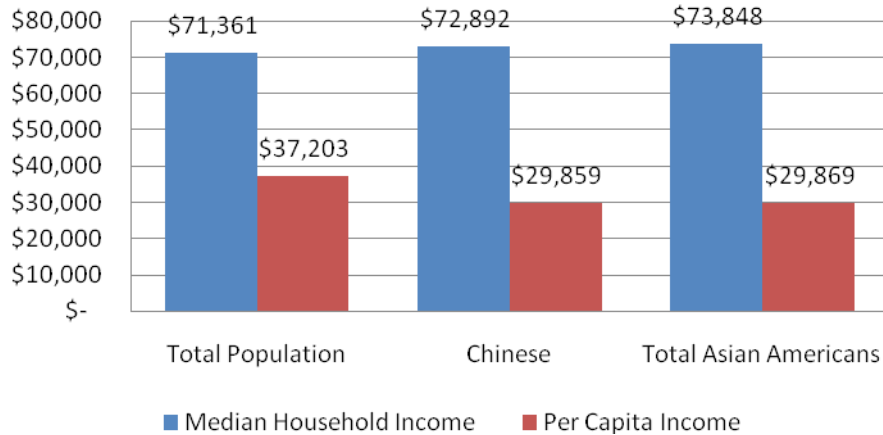
In Atlanta, the 2005 and 2008 Census estimates show a consistent picture. In both years, Asian Indians led in MHI (2005: \$75,866, 2008: \$86,312) and PCI (2005: \$30,608, 2008: \$32,118), and was higher than the total Asian population.

Figure 16: MHI and PCI of Asian Americans in Boston-Cambridge-Quincy, MA-NH Metro Area, 2005



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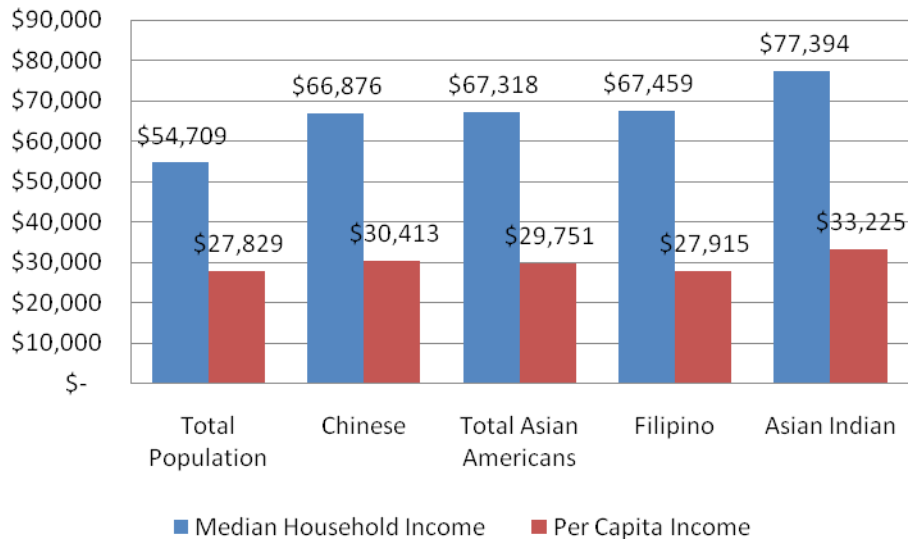
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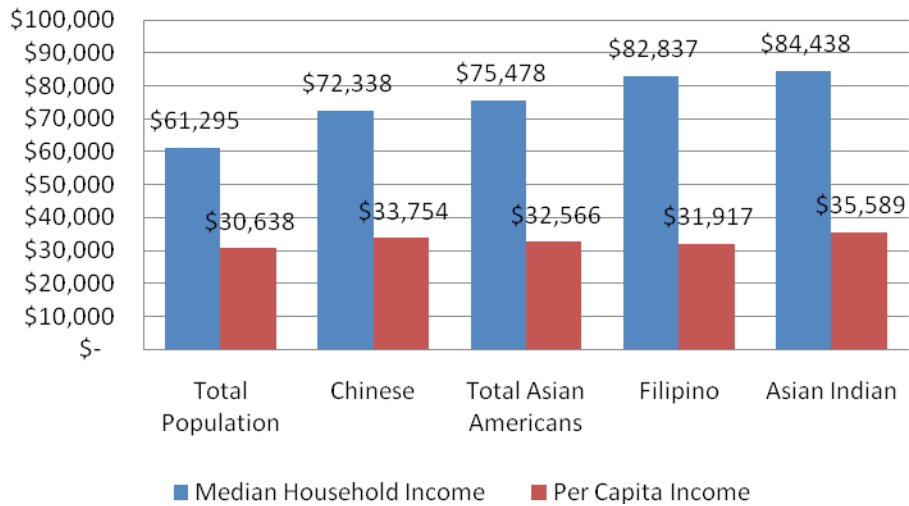
In Boston, the 2005 and 2008 Census estimates show a consistent picture. Chinese have a smaller MHI (2005: \$64,734, 2008: \$72,892) and PCI (2005: \$28,157, 2008: \$29,859) compared with the MHI (2005: \$66,371, 2008: \$73,848) and PCI (2005: \$30,633, 2008: \$29,869) of the total Asian population in both years.

Figure 18: MHI and PCI of Asian Americans in Chicago-Naperville-Joliet, IL-IN-WI Metro Area, 2005



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2005 American Community Survey, Selected Population Profiles S0201

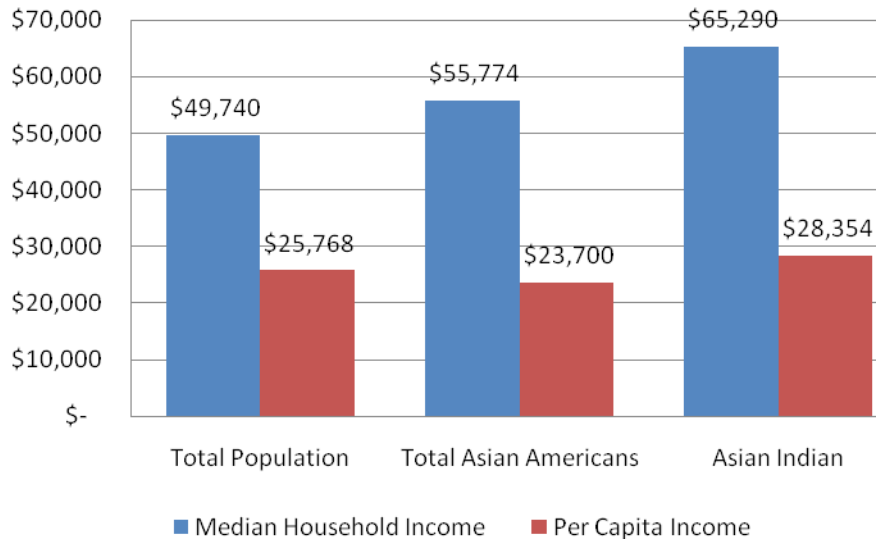
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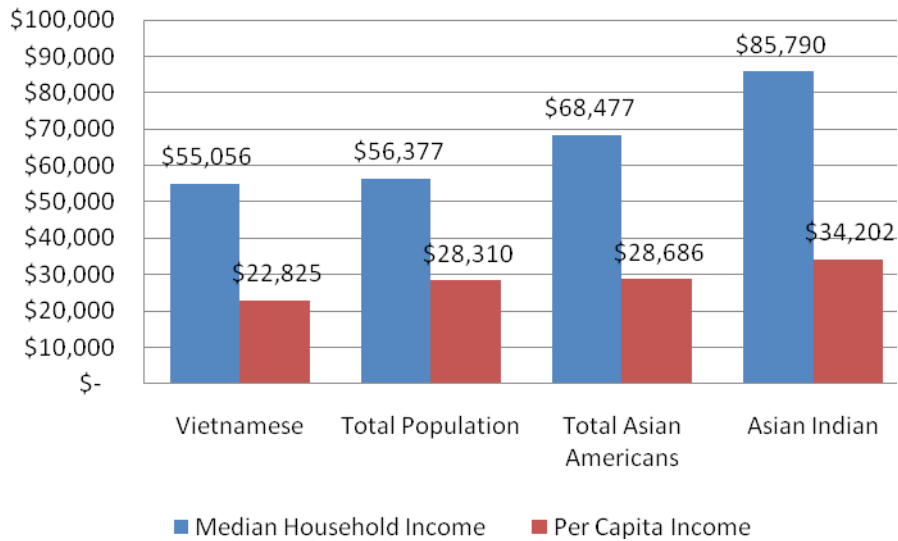
In Chicago, the 2005 and 2008 Census estimates are relatively steady when it comes to income. Asian Indians have the largest MHI (2005: \$77,394, 2008: \$84,438) and the largest PCI (2005: \$33,225, 2008: \$35,589) in both years. However, although Filipinos have the second largest MHI in both years (2005: \$67,459, 2008: \$82,837), they are at the very bottom among Asian ethnic groups in PCI (2005: \$27,915, 2008: \$31,917). The Chinese lag behind the total Asian population in MHI in both 2005 and 2008.

Figure 20: MHI and PCI of Asian Americans in Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington, TX Metro Area, 2005



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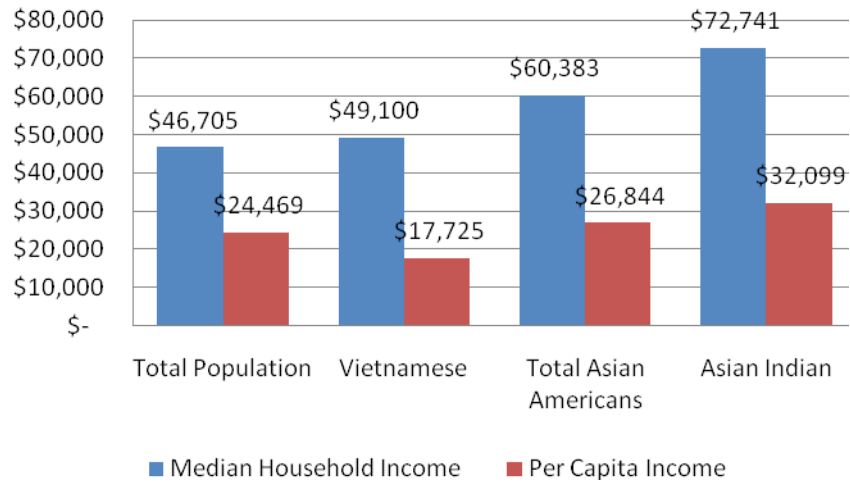
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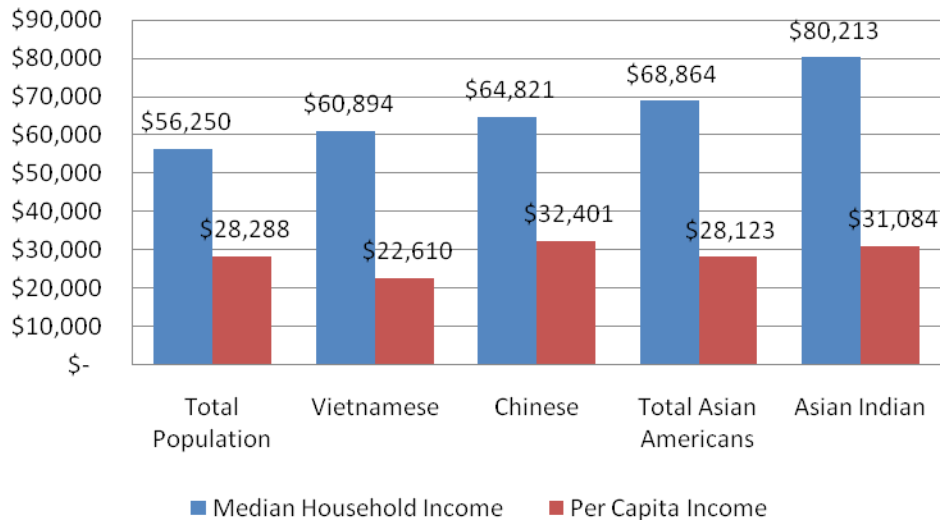
In Dallas, the 2005 and 2008 Census estimates are steady when it comes to income. Asian Indians have the largest MHI (2005: \$65,290, 2008: \$85,790) and the largest PCI (2005: \$28,354, 2008: \$34,202) in both years. The Vietnamese have the smallest MHI (\$55,056) and PCI (\$22,825) in 2008.

Figure 22: MHI and PCI of Asian Americans in Houston-Sugar Land-Baytown, TX Metro Area, 2005



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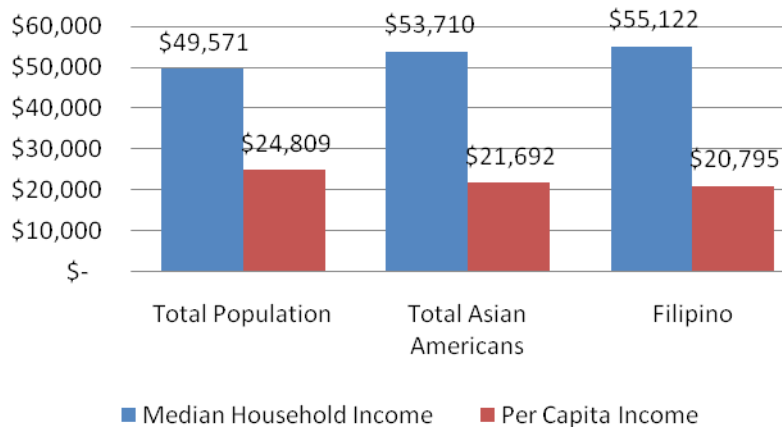
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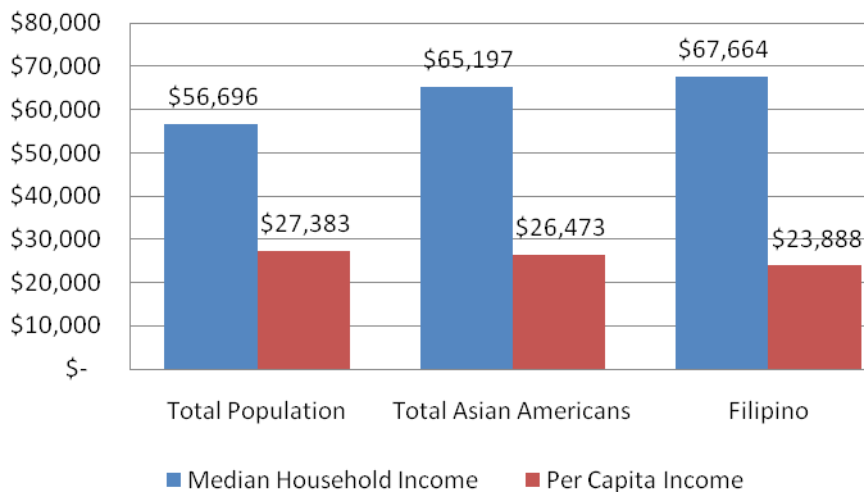
In Houston, the 2005 and 2008 Census estimates are relatively steady when it comes to income. Asian Indians have the largest MHI (2005: \$72,741, 2008: \$80,213) in both years. However, the Chinese had a higher PCI (\$32,401) than Asian Indians (\$31,084) in 2008. However, the Chinese and the Vietnamese still lag behind the total Asian population (2005: 60,383, 2008: 68,864) in MHI. The Vietnamese have the smallest MHI (\$60,894) and PCI (\$22,610) in 2008.

Figure 24: MHI and PCI of Asian Americans in Las Vegas-Paradise, NV Metro Area, 2005



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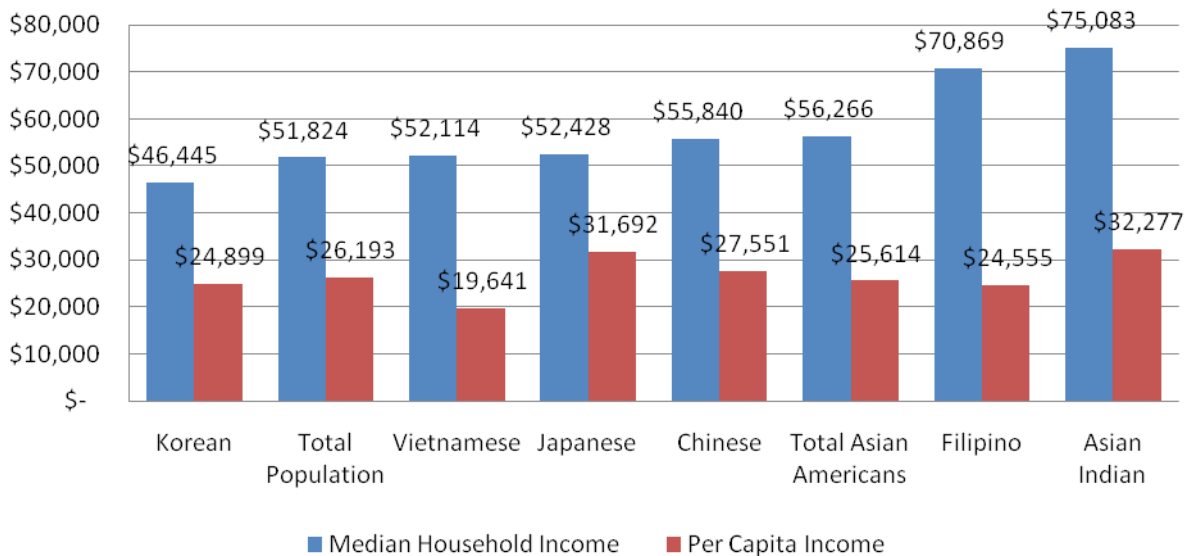
Figure 25: MHI and PCI of Asian Americans in Las Vegas-Paradise, NV Metro Area, 2008



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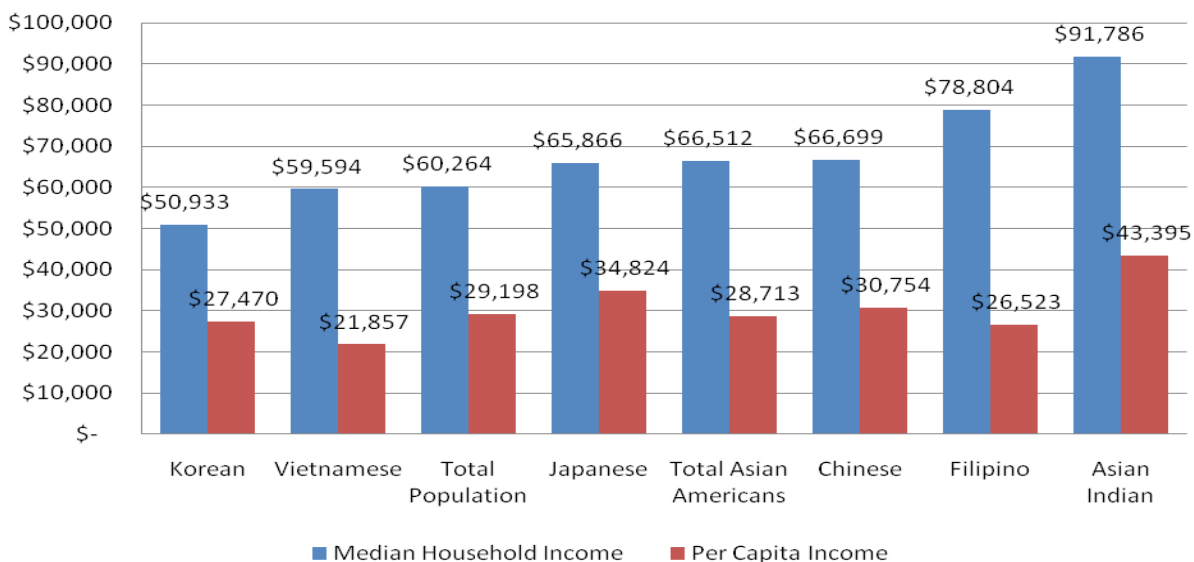
In Las Vegas, the 2005 and 2008 Census estimates show disparity between MHI figures and PCI figures when comparing Asian ethnic groups to the total Asian population. Filipinos have a largest MHI (2005: \$55,122, 2008: \$67,664) than the total Asian population (2005: \$53,710, 2008: \$65,197) in both years, but they have a smaller PCI (2005: \$20,795, 2008: \$23,888) compared with the total Asian population (2005: \$21,692, 2008: \$26,473) in both years.

Figure 26: MHI and PCI of Asian Americans in Los Angeles-Long Beach-Santa Ana, CA Metro Area, 2005



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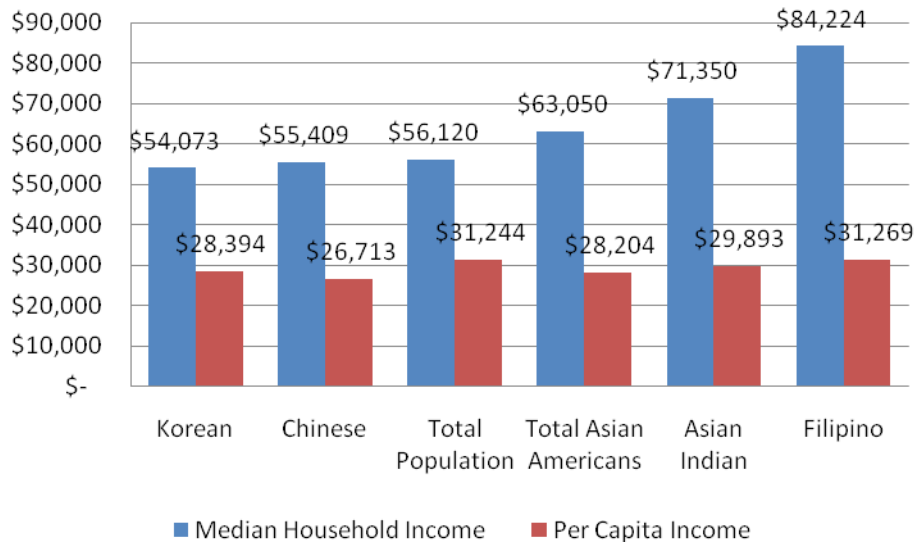
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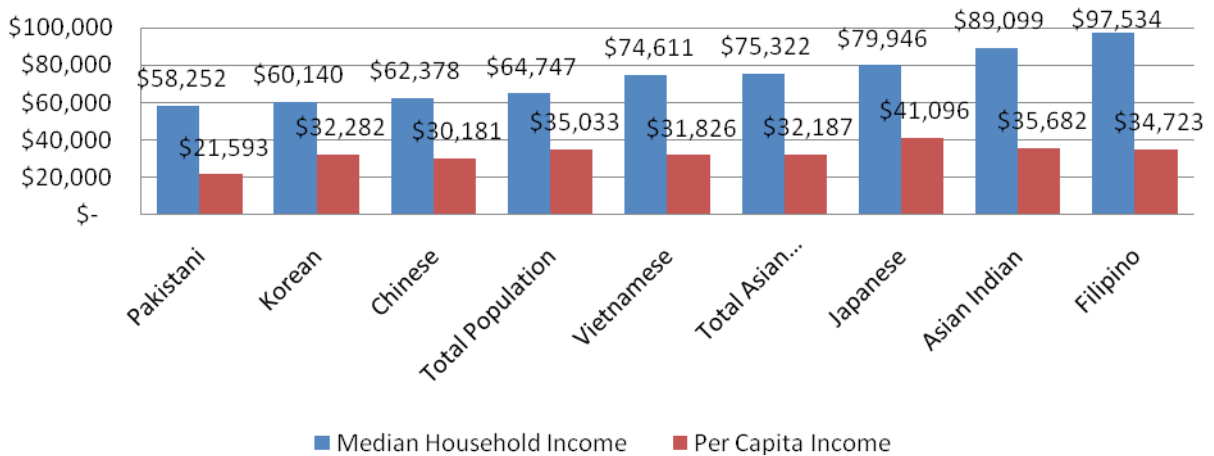
In Los Angeles, the 2005 and 2008 Census estimates illustrate a mixed picture when it comes to income. On one hand, Asian Indians lead all ethnic groups with the largest MHI (2005: \$75,083, 2008: \$91,786) and the largest PCI (2005: \$32,277, 2008: \$43,395). However, Filipinos have the second largest MHI (2005: \$70,869, 2008: \$78,804) but the fifth smallest PCI (2005: \$24,555, 2008: \$26,523) in both years. Chinese have the third largest MHI (2005: \$55,840, 2008: \$66,699) and the third largest PCI (2005: \$27,551, 2008: \$30,754) in 2005 and 2008. The median household incomes and average individual incomes are particularly low for ethnic groups such as Koreans and Vietnamese.

Figure 28: MHI and PCI of Asian Americans in New York, N. New Jersey-Long Island, NY-NJ-PA Metro Area, 2005



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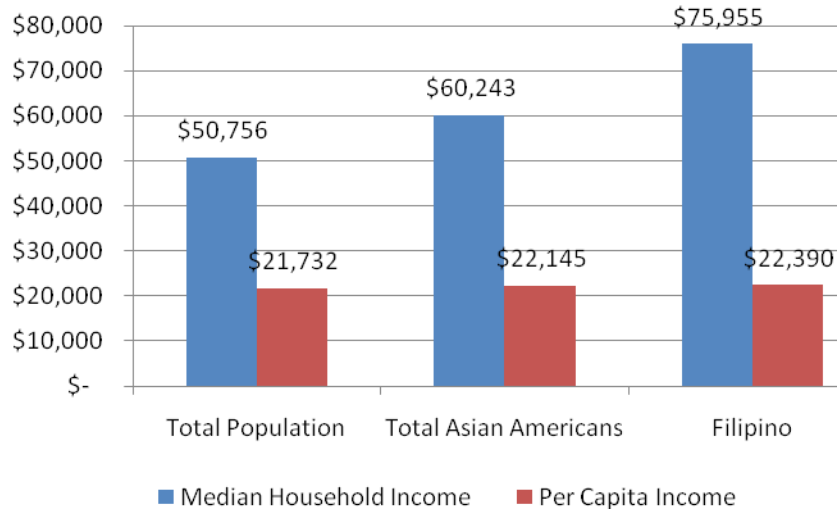
Figure 29: MHI and PCI of Asian Americans in New York, N. New Jersey-Long Island, NY-NJ-PA Metro Area, 2008



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2008 American Community Survey, Selected Population Profiles S0201

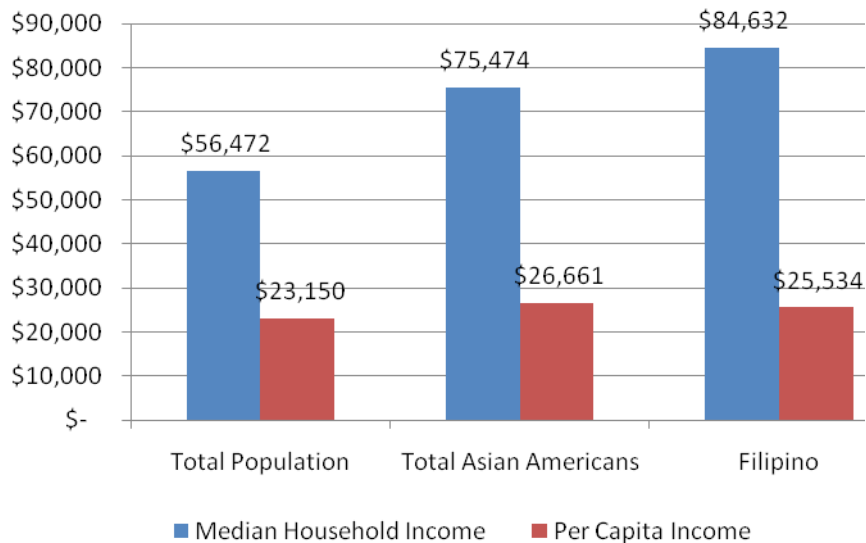
In New York, 2005 and 2008 Census estimates show a mixed picture when it comes to income. Filipinos have the largest MHI in both years (2005: \$84,224, 2008: \$97,534), but although they also have the largest PCI in 2005 (\$31,269), Filipinos fell to the third-highest PCI in 2008 (\$34,723). Asian Indians have the second largest MHI (2005: \$71,350, 2008: \$89,099) and the second largest PCI (2005: \$29,893, 2008: \$35,682). MHI figures are smaller than the total Asian population for ethnic groups such as the Pakistani, Korean and Chinese, and the Chinese and Pakistani have a smaller PCI than the total Asian population in 2005 and 2008.

Figure 30: MHI and PCI of Asian Americans in Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario, CA Metro Area, 2005



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2005 American Community Survey, Selected Population Profiles S0201

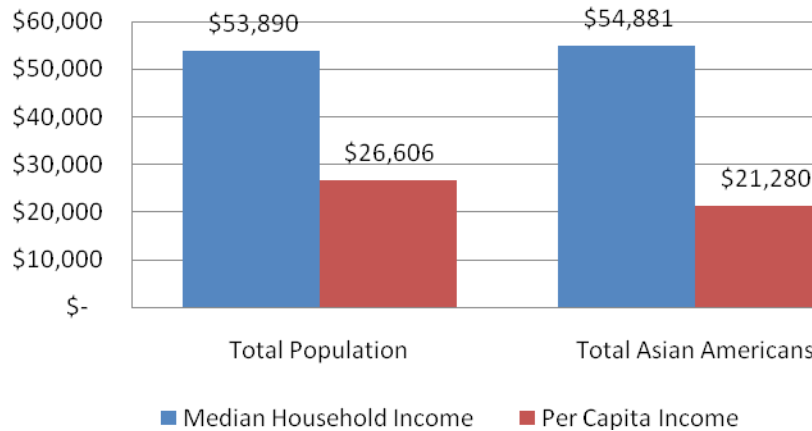
Figure 31: MHI and PCI of Asian Americans in Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario, CA Metro Area, 2008



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2008 American Community Survey, Selected Population Profiles S0201

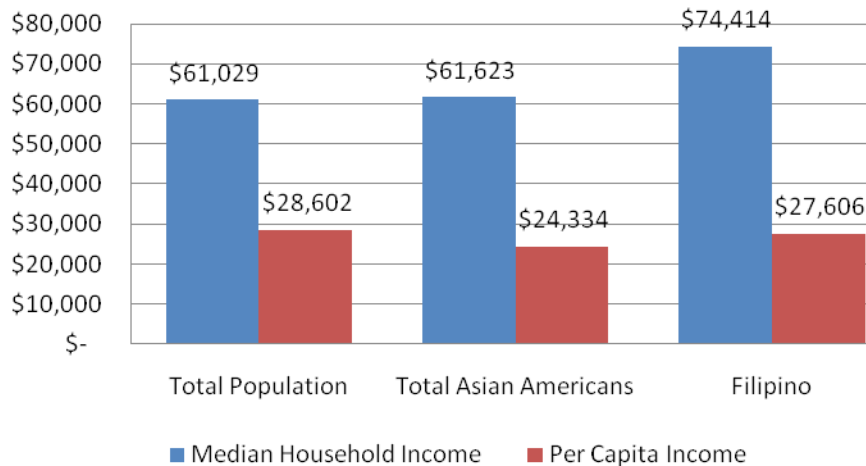
From 2005 to 2008, income levels among groups have been mostly steady. Filipinos had the largest median household income in 2005 and 2008 (2005: \$75,955, 2008: \$84,632). However, when looking at per capita income, Filipinos were higher than total Asian Americans in 2005 (\$22,390) but lower in 2008 (\$25,534).

Figure 32: MHI and PCI of Asian Americans in Sacramento-Arden-Arcade-Roseville, CA Metro Area, 2005



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2005 American Community Survey, Selected Population Profiles S0201

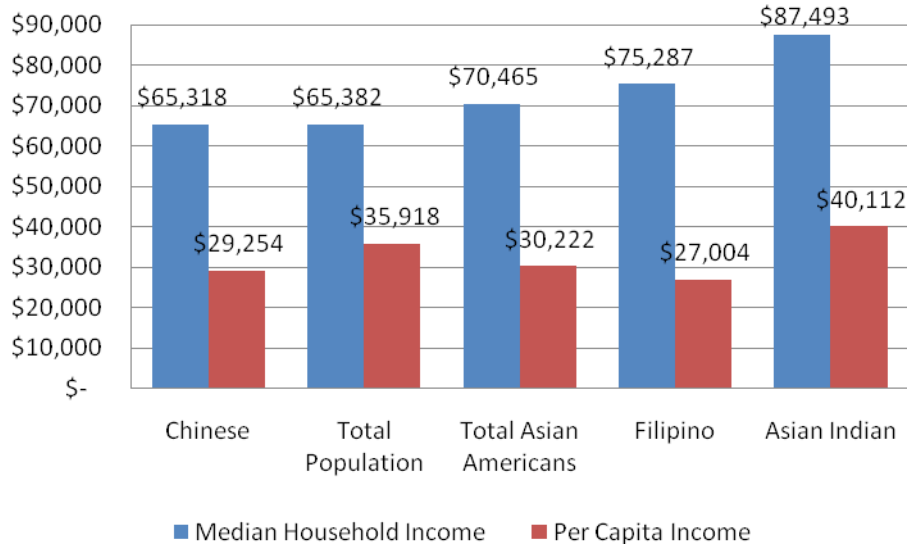
Figure 33: MHI and PCI of Asian Americans in Sacramento-Arden-Arcade-Roseville, CA Metro Area, 2008



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2008 American Community Survey, Selected Population Profiles S0201

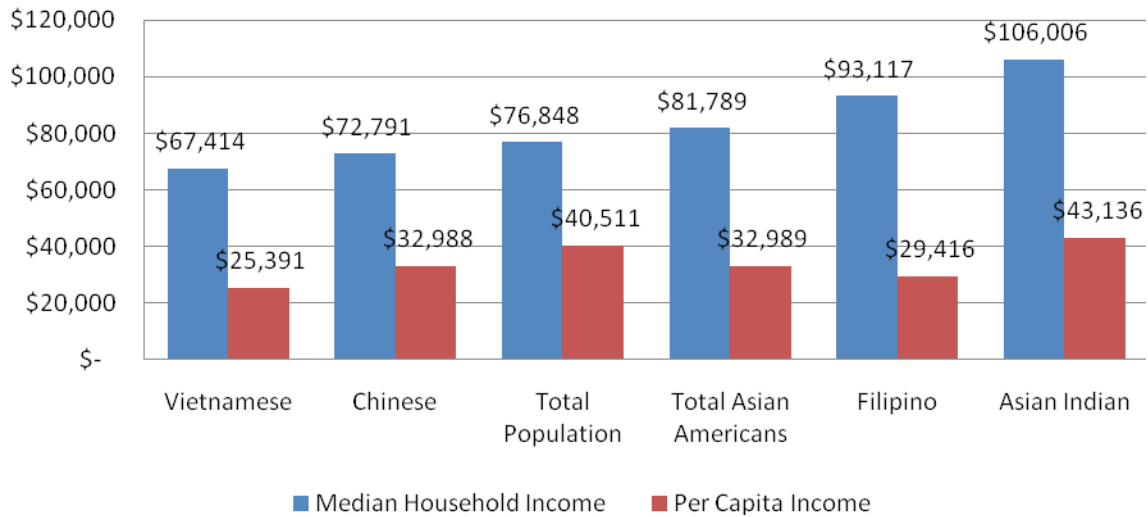
In Sacramento, the 2005 and 2008 Census estimates show a mixed picture. The total Asian population exceeds the total population in median household income (2005: \$54,881, 2008: \$61,623), but has a comparatively lower per capita income (2005: \$21,280, 2008: \$24,334) in both 2005 and 2008. The same can be said of the Filipino ethnic group, which has the highest median household income among all groups (\$74,414) in 2008, but lags behind the total population in per capita income (\$27,606).

Figure 34: MHI and PCI of Asian Americans in San Francisco-Oakland-Fremont, CA Metro Area, 2005



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2005 American Community Survey, Selected Population Profiles S0201

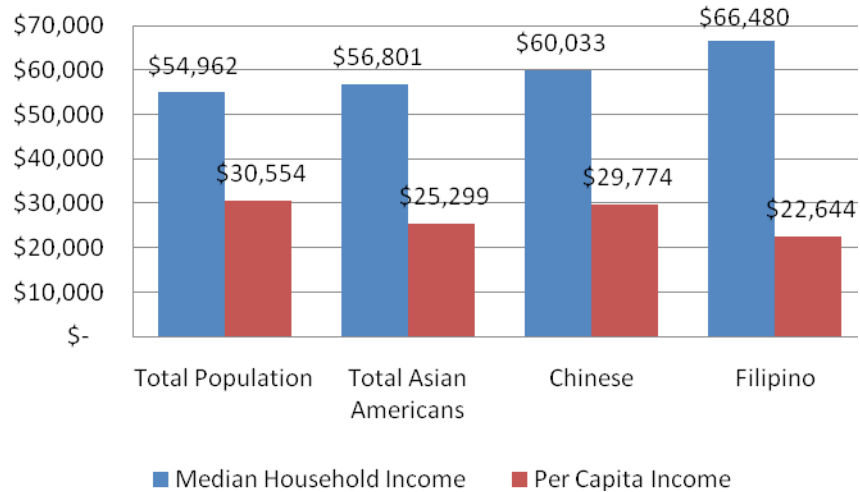
Figure 35: MHI and PCI of Asian Americans in San Francisco-Oakland-Fremont, CA Metro Area, 2008



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2008 American Community Survey, Selected Population Profiles S0201

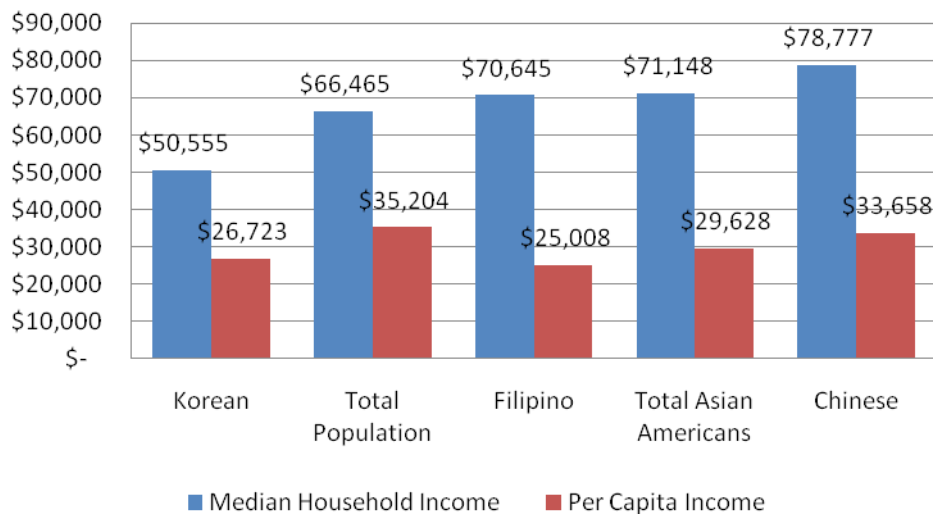
In San Francisco, the 2005 and 2008 Census estimates show a mixed picture when it comes to income. Filipinos have the second largest MHI (2005: \$75,287, 2008: \$93,117) but among the smallest PCI (2005: \$27,004, 2008: \$29,416) in 2005 and 2008. Asian Indians have the largest MHI (2005: \$87,493, 2008: \$106,006) and PCI (2005: \$40,112, 2008: \$40,136) in 2005 and 2008. MHI and PCI figures are smaller than the total Asian population for ethnic groups such as the Chinese and Vietnamese.

Figure 36: MHI and PCI of Asian Americans in Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue, WA Metro Area, 2005



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2005 American Community Survey, Selected Population Profiles S0201

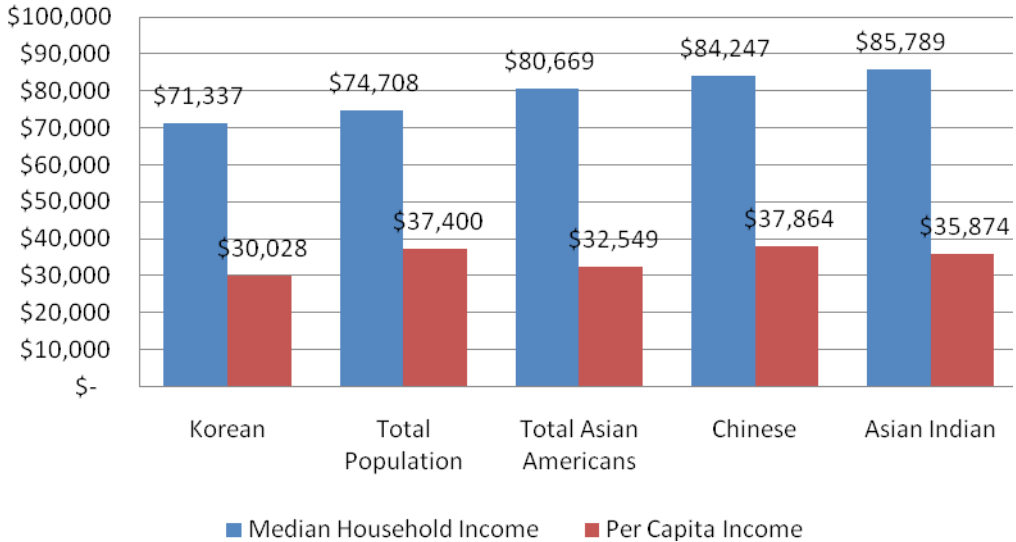
Figure 37: MHI and PCI of Asian Americans in Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue, WA Metro Area, 2008



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2008 American Community Survey, Selected Population Profiles S0201

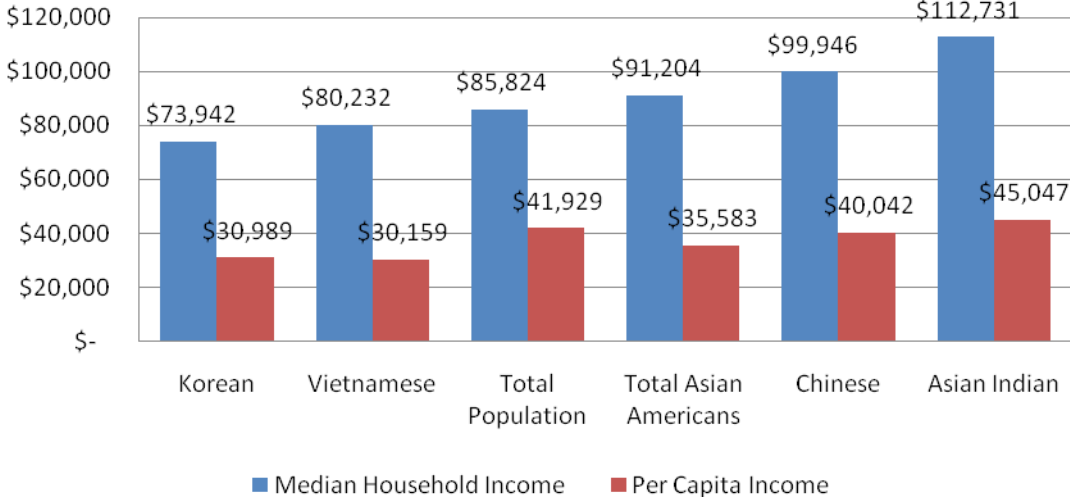
In Seattle, the 2005 and 2008 Census estimates illustrate a mixed picture when it comes to income. In 2005, Filipinos had the largest MHI (\$66,480) but had the second largest MHI (\$71,148) in 2008. However, in both years Filipinos had the smallest PCI (2005: \$22,644, 2008: 25,008) among Asian ethnic groups. Chinese had the second largest MHI (\$60,033) in 2005 and the largest MHI (\$78,777) in 2008, and also the largest PCI (2005: \$29,774, 2008: \$33,658) among Asian ethnic groups both years. However, it is worth noting that the PCI figures for the Chinese were still smaller than the total population (2005: \$30,554, 2008: \$35,204) in 2005 and 2008.

Figure 38: MHI and PCI of Asian Americans in Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV Metro Area, 2005



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2005 American Community Survey, Selected Population Profiles S0201

Figure 39: MHI and PCI of Asian Americans in Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV Metro Area, 2008



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2008 American Community Survey, Selected Population Profiles S0201

In Washington, the 2005 and 2008 Census estimates are relatively steady when it comes to income. Asian Indians have the largest MHI in both years (2005: \$85,789, 2008: \$112,731), and they have the second largest PCI in 2005 (\$35,874) and the largest PCI in 2008 (\$45,047). Chinese have the second largest MHI in both years (2005: \$84,247, 2008: 99,946) and the highest PCI in 2005 (\$37,864). The Koreans and Vietnamese have smaller MHI and PCI than the total Asian population.

Table 17: Selected Monthly Owner Costs (SMOC) of Asian Americans, 2005 and 2008

	2005		2008	
	Total Population	Asian	Total Population	Asian
Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA)	Percentage of Households, where SMOC exceed 30% or more of income	Percentage of Households, where SMOC exceed 30% or more of income	Percentage of Households, where SMOC exceed 30% or more of income	Percentage of Households, where SMOC exceed 30% or more of income
Atlanta-Sandy Springs-Marietta, GA Metro Area	30%	38%	36%	49%
Boston-Cambridge-Quincy, MA-NH Metro Area	35%	31%	43%	44%
Chicago-Naperville-Joliet, IL-IN-WI Metro Area	36%	38%	44%	48%
Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington, TX Metro Area	29%	34%	32%	38%
Houston-Sugar Land-Baytown, TX Metro Area	28%	33%	32%	41%
Las Vegas-Paradise, NV Metro Area	39%	45%	51%	57%
Los Angeles-Long Beach-Santa Ana, CA Metro Area	41%	43%	55%	55%
New York, Northern New Jersey-Long Island, NY-NJ-PA Metro Area	39%	42%	49%	52%
Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario, CA Metro Area	40%	47%	56%	60%
Sacramento-Arden-Arcade-Roseville, CA Metro Area	37%	45%	50%	54%
San Francisco-Oakland-Fremont, CA Metro Area	41%	44%	53%	55%
Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue, WA Metro Area	33%	38%	44%	50%
Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV Metro Area	30%	41%	40%	50%

Figure 39: Percentage of Asian American Households in Atlanta-Sandy Springs-Marietta, GA Metro Area, where SMOC exceed 30% or more of income, 2008

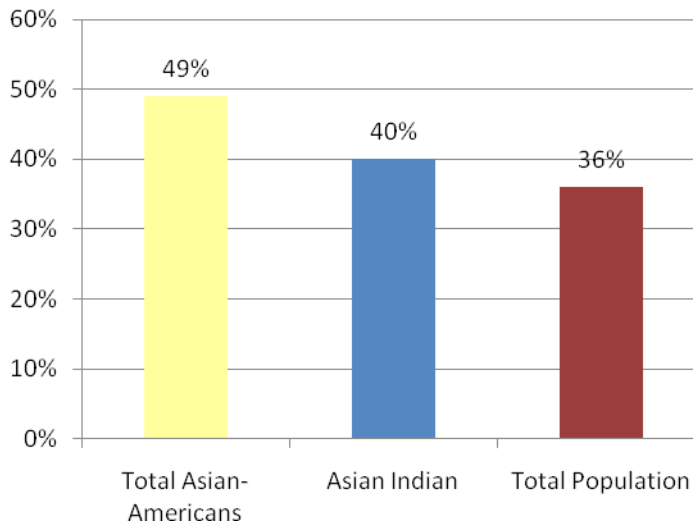


Figure 40: Percentage of Asian American Households in Boston-Cambridge-Quincy, MA-NH Metro Area, where SMOC exceed 30% or more of income, 2008

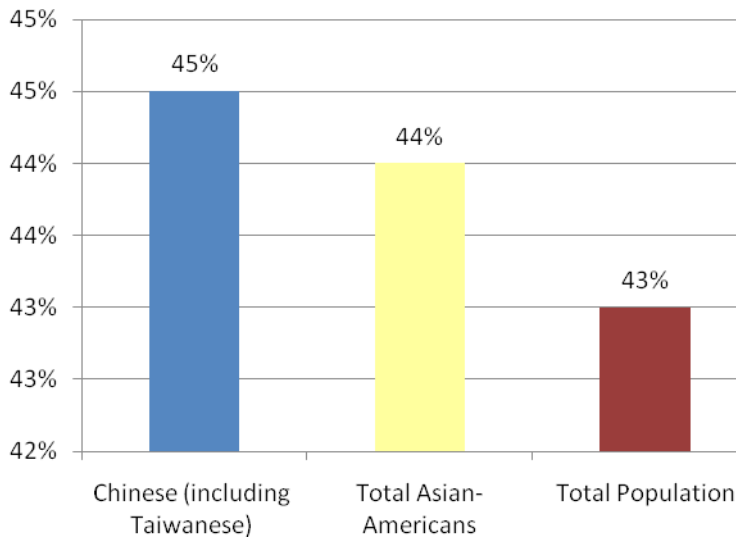


Figure 41: Percentage of Asian American Households in Chicago-Naperville-Joliet, IL-IN-WI Metro Area, where SMOC exceed 30% or more of income, 2008

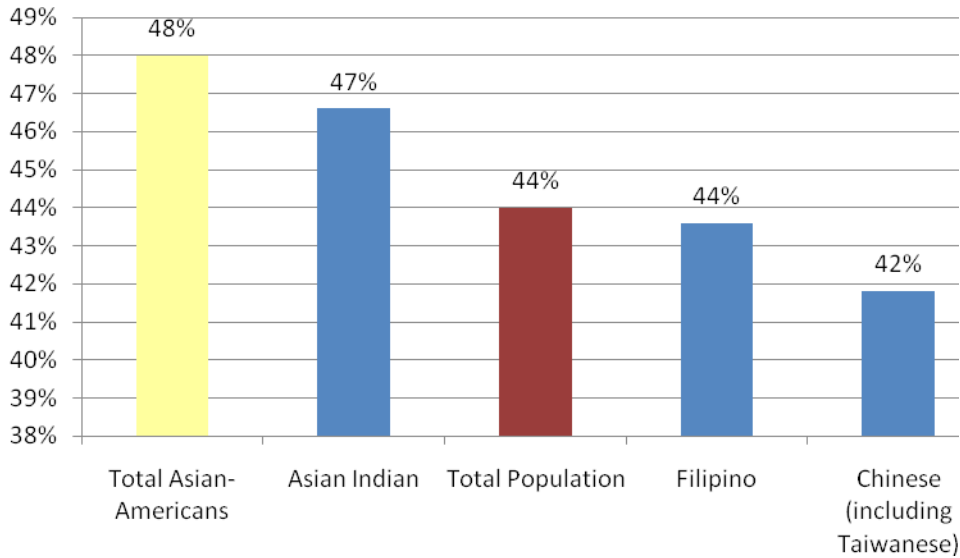


Figure 42: Percentage of Asian American Households in Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington, TX Metro Area, where SMOC exceed 30% or more of income, 2008

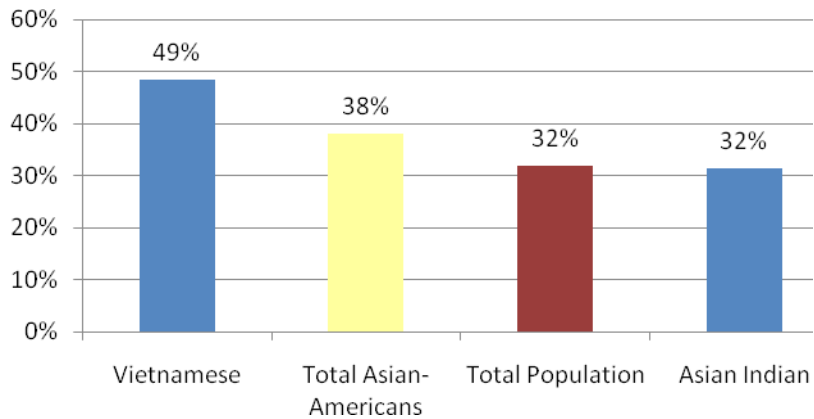


Figure 43: Percentage of Asian American Households in Houston-Sugar Land-Baytown, TX Metro Area, where SMOC exceed 30% or more of income, 2008

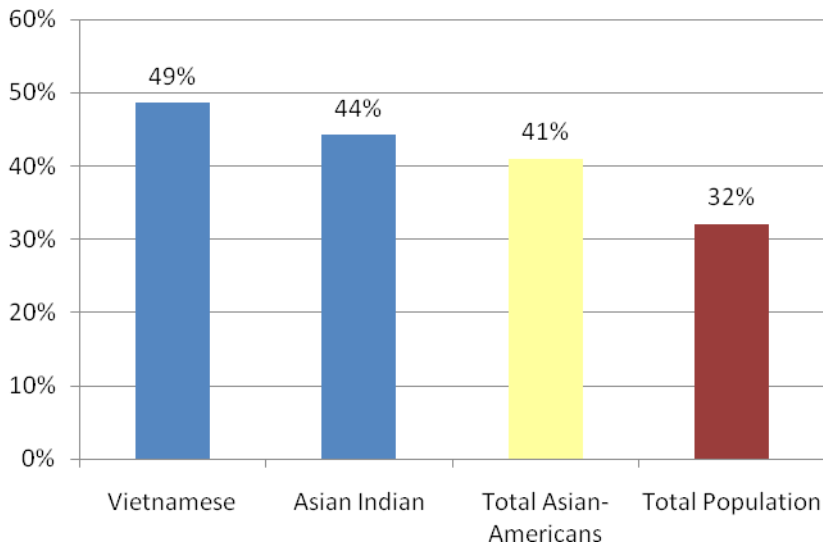


Figure 44: Percentage of Asian American Households in Las Vegas-Paradise, NV Metro Area, where SMOC exceed 30% or more of income, 2008

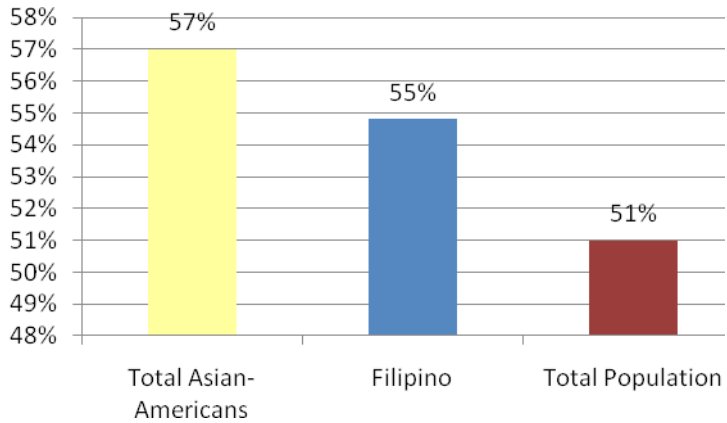


Figure 45: Percentage of Asian American Households in Los Angeles-Long Beach-Santa Ana, CA Metro Area, where SMOC exceed 30% or more of income, 2008

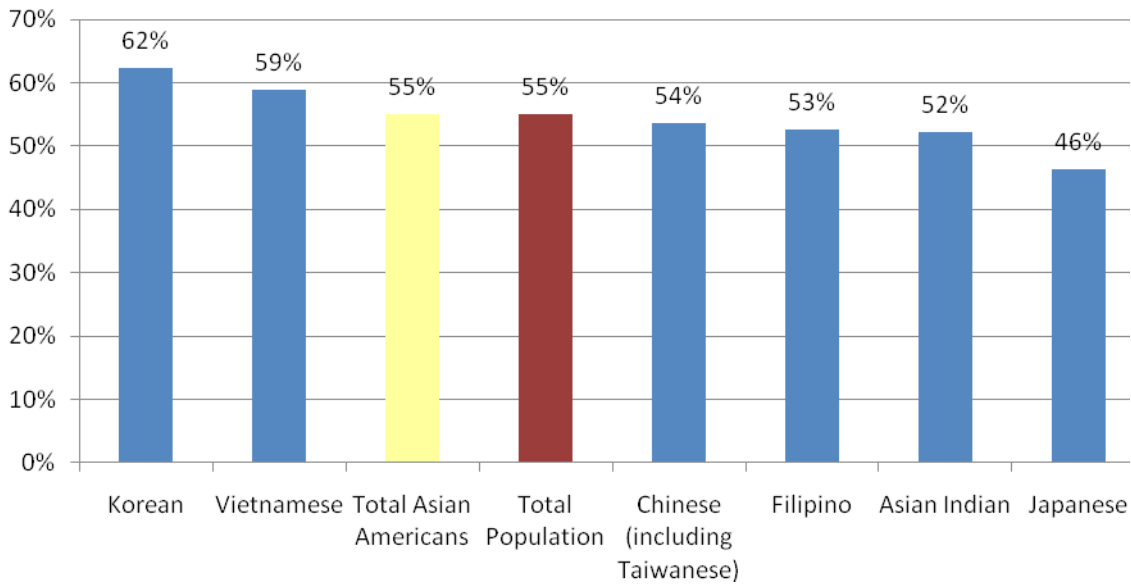


Figure 46: Percentage of Asian American Households in New York, Northern New Jersey-Long Island, NY-NJ-PA Metro Area, where SMOC exceed 30% or more of income, 2008

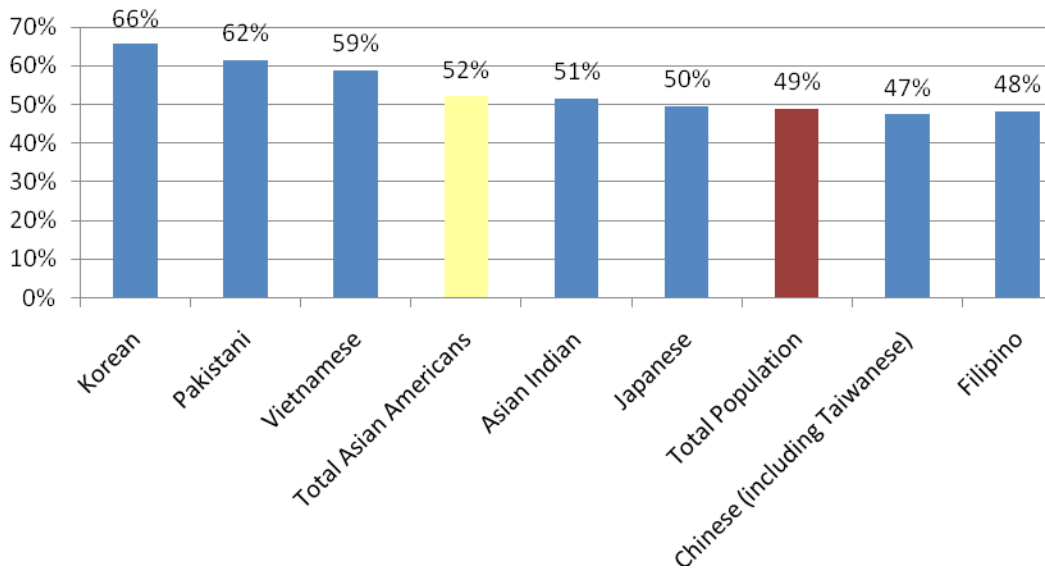


Figure 47: Percentage of Asian American Households in Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario, CA Metro Area, where SMOC exceed 30% or more of income, 2008

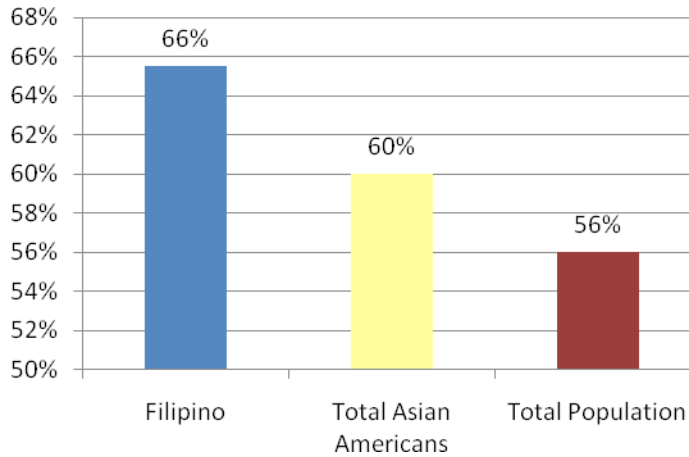


Figure 48: Percentage of Asian American Households in Sacramento-Arden-Arcade-Roseville, CA Metro Area, where SMOC exceed 30% or more of income, 2008

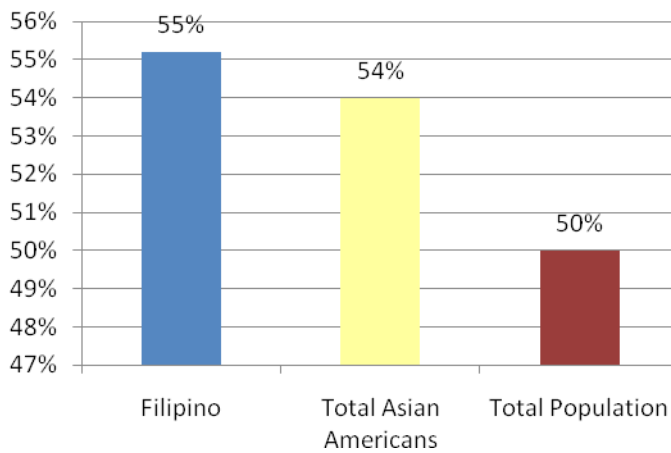


Figure 49: Percentage of Asian American Households in San Francisco-Oakland-Fremont, CA Metro Area, where SMOC exceed 30% or more of income, 2008

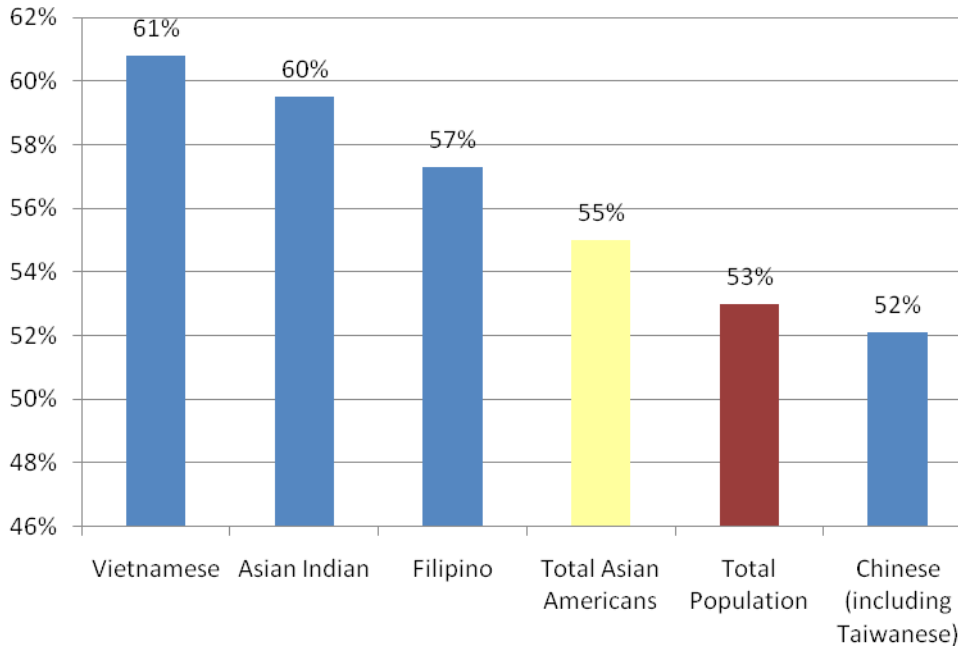


Figure 50: Percentage of Asian American Households in Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue, WA Metro Area, where SMOC exceed 30% or more of income, 2008

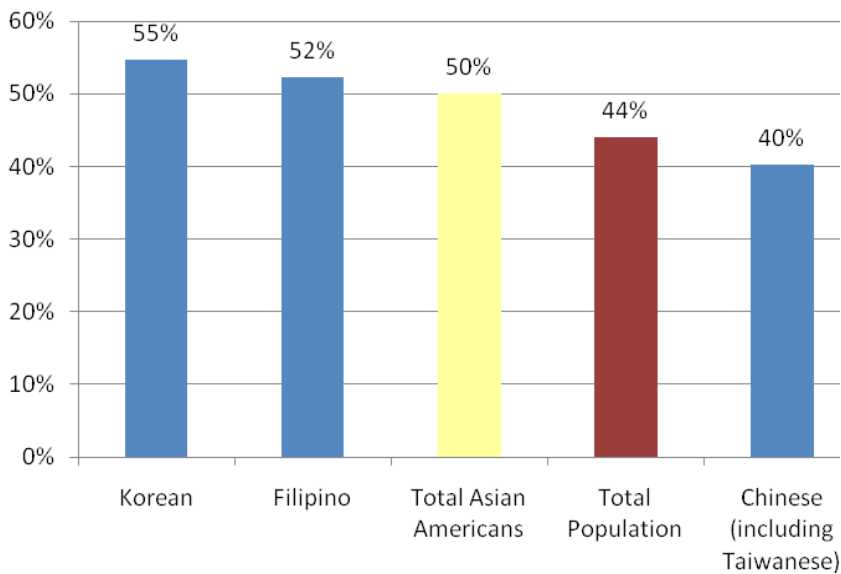
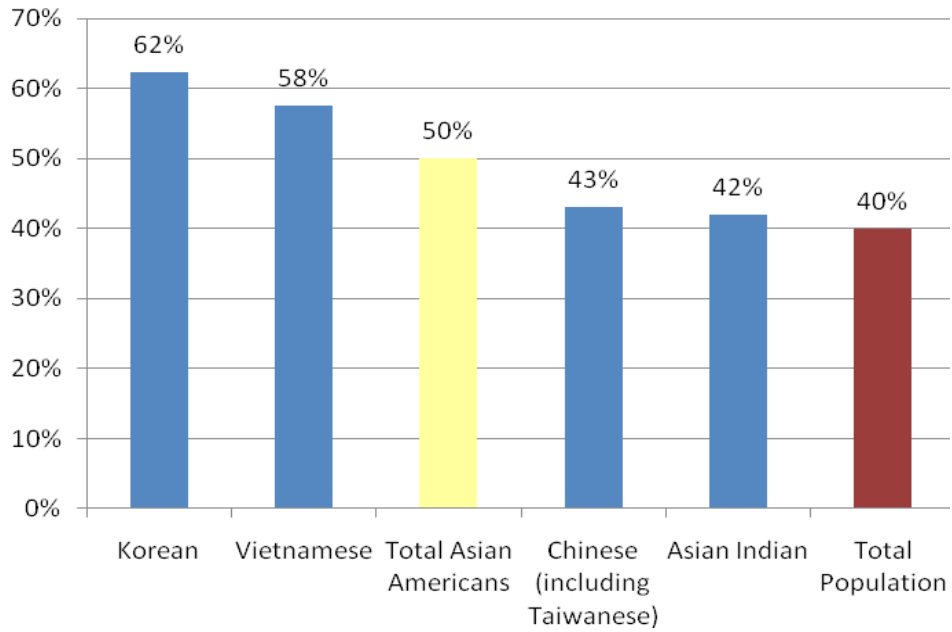


Figure 51: Percentage of Asian American Households in Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV Metro Area, where SMOC exceed 30% or more of income, 2008



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Table 18: Citizenship Status of Asian Americans, 2005 and 2008

Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA)	2005				2008			
	Total Population		Asian Population		Total Population		Asian Population	
	% Native Born	% Foreign Born	% Native Born	% Foreign Born	% Native Born	% Foreign Born	% Native Born	% Foreign Born
Atlanta-Sandy Springs-Marietta, GA Metro Area	87%	13%	30%	70%	87%	13%	32%	68%
Boston-Cambridge-Quincy, MA-NH Metro Area	84%	16%	32%	68%	84%	16%	35%	65%
Chicago-Naperville-Joliet, IL-IN-WI Metro Area	82%	18%	33%	67%	82%	18%	35%	65%
Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington, TX Metro Area	82%	18%	32%	68%	82%	18%	34%	66%
Houston-Sugar Land-Baytown, TX Metro Area	79%	21%	31%	69%	78%	22%	33%	67%
Las Vegas-Paradise, NV Metro Area	80%	20%	46%	54%	78%	22%	44%	56%
Los Angeles-Long Beach-Santa Ana, CA Metro Area	65%	35%	35%	65%	66%	34%	37%	63%
New York, Northern New Jersey-Long Island, NY-NJ-PA Metro Area	72%	28%	29%	71%	72%	28%	30%	70%
Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario, CA Metro Area	78%	22%	45%	55%	78%	22%	43%	57%
Sacramento-Arden-Arcade-Roseville, CA Metro Area	82%	18%	49%	51%	83%	17%	47%	53%
San Francisco-Oakland-Fremont, CA Metro Area	70%	30%	39%	61%	71%	29%	40%	60%
Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue, WA Metro Area	85%	15%	41%	59%	84%	16%	42%	58%
Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV Metro Area	80%	20%	32%	68%	80%	20%	33%	67%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2008 American Community Survey and 2005 American Community Survey, Selected Population Profiles S0201

In 2008, the trend among the total population of MSAs was a majority of native born persons, but the opposite was true in the Asian population. The Asian American population continued to be largely composed of foreign-born persons.

In 2005 and 2008, Los Angeles led all other MSAs with the largest percentage of foreign-born persons in its total population (35% in 2005, 34% in 2008). This stands in contrast with Atlanta, which had the lowest percentage of foreign-born persons in its total population (13% in both 2005 and 2008) among the MSAs researched.

In both 2005 and 2008, New York led the way with the largest percentage of the Asian population (71% in 2005; 70% in 2008) composed of foreign-born persons, in contrast to the Sacramento, which had the lowest percentage of foreign-born persons in the Asian population (51% in 2005; 53% in 2008) among the MSAs researched.

From 2005 to 2008, the change in percentage of foreign-born persons in the total population of a MSA saw little change, with only a 1 percentage point increase or decrease in some cities. However, in the Asian population the percentage of foreign-born persons in an MSA mostly decreased 1-2 percentage points from 2005 to 2008, with only Riverside, Las Vegas and Sacramento each seeing an increase of its foreign-born population by 2 percentage points from 2005 to 2008.

Table 19: Citizenship Status of Asian Americans by MSA, 2008

Ethnic Group	Riverside		Sacramento		Los Angeles		San Francisco	
	% Native Born	% Foreign Born	% Native Born	% Foreign Born	% Native Born	% Foreign Born	% Native Born	% Foreign Born
Total Population	78%	22%	83%	17%	66%	34%	71%	29%
Total Asian Americans	43%	57%	47%	53%	37%	63%	40%	60%
Chinese (including Taiwanese)*	-	-	-	-	35%	65%	38%	62%
Filipino	47%	53%	47%	53%	38%	62%	44%	56%
Asian Indian*	-	-	-	-	33%	67%	31%	69%
Vietnamese*	-	-	-	-	31%	69%	34%	66%
Korean*	-	-	-	-	29%	71%	-	-
Japanese*	-	-	-	-	67%	33%	-	-
Pakistani*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Ethnic Group	New York		Dallas		Houston		Chicago	
	% Native Born	% Foreign Born	% Native Born	% Foreign Born	% Native Born	% Foreign Born	% Native Born	% Foreign Born
Total Population	72%	28%	82%	18%	78%	22%	82%	18%
Total Asian Americans	30%	70%	34%	66%	33%	67%	35%	65%
Chinese (including Taiwanese)*	32%	68%	-	-	31%	69%	36%	64%
Filipino*	33%	67%	-	-	-	-	37%	63%
Asian Indian	28%	72%	26%	74%	31%	69%	30%	70%
Vietnamese*	35%	65%	35%	65%	34%	66%	-	-
Korean*	27%	73%	-	-	-	-	-	-
Japanese*	32%	68%	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pakistani*	36%	64%	-	-	-	-	-	-

Ethnic Group	Washington		Las Vegas		Boston		Seattle	
	% Native Born	% Foreign Born	% Native Born	% Foreign Born	% Native Born	% Foreign Born	% Native Born	% Foreign Born
Total Population	80%	20%	78%	22%	84%	16%	84%	16%
Total Asian Americans	33%	67%	44%	56%	35%	65%	42%	58%
Chinese (including Taiwanese)*	35%	65%	-	-	37%	63%	38%	62%
Filipino*	-	-	45%	55%	-	-	53%	47%
Asian Indian*	30%	70%	-	-	-	-	-	-
Vietnamese*	30%	70%	-	-	-	-	-	-
Korean*	30%	70%	-	-	-	-	35%	65%
Japanese*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pakistani*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Ethnic Group	Atlanta	
	% Native Born	% Foreign Born
Total Population	87%	13%
Total Asian Americans	32%	68%
Chinese (including Taiwanese)*	-	-
Filipino*	-	-
Asian Indian	30%	70%
Vietnamese*	-	-
Korean*	-	-
Japanese*	-	-
Pakistani*	-	-

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2008 American Community Survey, Selected Population Profiles S0201

Note: * Sample sizes are too small to generate a reliable estimate. No data available for Bangladeshi, Cambodian, Hmong, Indonesian, Laotian, Malaysian, Pakistani, Thai, Sri Lankan, and Other Asian.

In Riverside, Filipinos have a lower percentage of foreign-born (53%) compared with the total Asian population (57%).

In Sacramento, Filipinos have the same percentage of foreign-born as the total Asian population (53%).

In Los Angeles, the Asian ethnic groups with a greater percentage of foreign-born compared with the total Asian population (63%) are from smallest to largest: Chinese (65%), Asian Indian (67%), Vietnamese (69%), and Korean (71%).

In San Francisco, the Asian ethnic groups with a greater percentage of foreign-born compared with the total Asian population (60%) are from smallest to largest: Chinese (62%), Vietnamese (66%), and Asian Indians (69%).

In New York, the Asian ethnic groups with a greater percentage of foreign-born compared with the total Asian population (70%) are the Asian Indians (72%) and Koreans (73%).

In Dallas, Asian Indians have a greater percentage of foreign-born (74%) compared with the total Asian population (66%).

In Houston, the Asian ethnic groups with a greater percentage of foreign-born compared with the total Asian population are the Chinese (69%) and Asian Indians (69%).

In Chicago, Asian Indians have a greater percentage of foreign-born (70%) compared with the total Asian population (65%).

In Washington, there are three Asian ethnic groups with a greater percentage of foreign-born compared with the total Asian population (67%): Koreans, Vietnamese, and Asian Indians (all at 70%).

In Las Vegas, Filipinos have a lower percentage of foreign-born (55%) compared with the total Asian population (56%).

In Boston, Chinese have a lower percentage of foreign born (63%) compared to the total Asian population (65%).

In Seattle, the Asian ethnic groups with a greater percentage of foreign-born compared with the total Asian population (58%) are the Chinese (62%) and Koreans (65%).

In Atlanta, Asian Indians have a greater percentage of foreign-born compared with the total Asian population (68%).

Table 20: Language Spoken at Home and Ability to Speak English for Asian Americans, 2005 and 2008

Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA)	2005				2008			
	Total Population		Asian		Total Population		Asian	
	Language other than English	Speak English less than "very well"	Language other than English	Speak English less than "very well"	Language other than English	Speak English less than "very well"	Language other than English	Speak English less than "very well"
Atlanta-Sandy Springs-Marietta, GA Metro Area	15%	8%	82%	36%	17%	8%	82%	36%
Boston-Cambridge-Quincy, MA-NH Metro Area	21%	9%	80%	39%	22%	9%	79%	36%
Chicago-Naperville-Joliet, IL-IN-WI Metro Area	28%	13%	77%	29%	28%	13%	77%	31%
Dallas-Fort Worth-Arlington, TX Metro Area	29%	14%	83%	36%	29%	14%	80%	34%
Houston-Sugar Land-Baytown, TX Metro Area	36%	17%	82%	34%	36%	18%	81%	35%
Las Vegas-Paradise, NV Metro Area	30%	14%	60%	24%	32%	15%	63%	26%
Los Angeles-Long Beach-Santa Ana, CA Metro Area	54%	27%	78%	41%	53%	26%	76%	39%
New York, Northern New Jersey-Long Island, NY-NJ-PA Metro Area	37%	16%	79%	38%	37%	17%	79%	40%
Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario, CA Metro Area	38%	18%	67%	29%	39%	17%	67%	29%
Sacramento-Arden-Arcade-Roseville, CA Metro Area	25%	12%	68%	30%	26%	12%	68%	31%
San Francisco-Oakland-Fremont, CA Metro Area	39%	18%	74%	36%	39%	18%	72%	36%
Seattle-Tacoma-Bellevue, WA Metro Area	19%	9%	68%	35%	19%	9%	68%	33%
Washington-Arlington-Alexandria, DC-VA-MD-WV Metro Area	24%	11%	77%	34%	25%	10%	77%	31%

	Atlanta MSA		Boston MSA		Chicago MSA		Dallas MSA		Houston MSA	
Ethnic Group	Language other than English	Speak English less than "very well"	Language other than English	Speak English less than "very well"	Language other than English	Speak English less than "very well"	Language other than English	Speak English less than "very well"	Language other than English	Speak English less than "very well"
Total Population	17%	8%	22%	9%	28%	13%	29%	14%	36%	18%
Total Asian Americans	82%	36%	79%	36%	77%	31%	80%	34%	81%	35%
Asian Indian	84%	21%	-	-	85%	29%	85%	21%	77%	19%
Chinese (including Taiwanese)	-	-	76%	34%	77%	41%	-	-	81%	42%
Filipino	-	-	-	-	50%	17%	-	-	-	-
Japanese*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Korean	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Vietnamese*	-	-	-	-	-	-	87%	47%	90%	53%
	Las Vegas MSA		Los Angeles MSA		New York MSA		Riverside MSA			
Ethnic Group	Language other than English	Speak English less than "very well"	Language other than English	Speak English less than "very well"	Language other than English	Speak English less than "very well"	Language other than English	Speak English less than "very well"		
Total Population	32%	15%	53%	26%	37%	17%	39%	17%		
Total Asian Americans	63%	26%	76%	39%	79%	40%	67%	29%		
Asian Indian	-	-	78%	21%	72%	25%	-	-		
Chinese (including Taiwanese)	-	-	80%	46%	86%	56%	-	-		
Filipino	63%	21%	67%	21%	68%	18%	58%	16%		
Japanese*	-	-	45%	24%	75%	40%	-	-		
Korean	-	-	84%	55%	82%	52%	-	-		
Pakistani	-	-	-	-	92%	36%	-	-		
Vietnamese*	-	-	90%	54%	80%	44%	-	-		
	Sacramento MSA		San Francisco MSA		Seattle MSA		Washington DC MSA			
Ethnic Group	Language other than English	Speak English less than "very well"	Language other than English	Speak English less than "very well"	Language other than English	Speak English less than "very well"	Language other than English	Speak English less than "very well"		
Total Population	26%	12%	39%	18%	19%	9%	25%	10%		
Total Asian Americans	68%	31%	72%	36%	68%	33%	77%	31%		
Asian Indian	-	-	77%	21%	-	-	78%	15%		
Chinese (including Taiwanese)	-	-	78%	48%	72%	37%	76%	34%		
Filipino	56%	16%	63%	21%	50%	17%	-	-		
Japanese*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Korean	-	-	-	-	73%	44%	79%	46%		
Vietnamese*	-	-	84%	50%	-	-	87%	47%		

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2008 American Community Survey, Selected Population Profiles, S0201

Note: * Sample sizes are too small to generate a reliable estimate. No data available for Bangladeshi, Cambodian, Hmong, Indonesian, Laotian, Malaysian, Pakistani, Thai, Sri Lankan, and Other Asian.

APPENDIX: Technical Notes and Definitions

About the Data

This report draws from several data sources. The 2005 American Community Survey covered only individuals living in households. It excluded Group Quarters, those living in institutions, college dormitories, and other group quarters. Data are based on a sample and are subject to sampling variability. The degree of uncertainty for an estimate arising from sampling variability is represented through the use of a margin of error. The values shown in this report are of the 90 percent margin of error. The margin of error can be interpreted roughly as providing a 90 percent probability that the interval defined by the estimate minus the margin of error and the estimate plus the margin of error (the lower and upper confidence bounds) contains the true value. The 2008 American Community Survey includes Group Quarters.

Because Asians constitute a relatively small population, using all available data is critical to producing the most statistically reliable information. Unfortunately, aggregate data are limited by the amount of detailed information (variables) that can be examined overall. The Census Bureau releases detailed information based on a population threshold. If the selected race, ethnic, or ancestry group is less than the threshold data, it cannot be analyzed at those particular levels of geography.

The report uses results for single-race (alone) and multiple-race (alone or in any combination) responses. “Asian Alone” corresponds to the respondents who reported exactly one Asian group and no other Asian group or race category. “Alone” should be considered the minimum population size in any analysis that uses Census data. “Alone or in any Combination” corresponds to the responses (not respondents) that include the selected Asian group, either alone or in any combination with other Asian groups or other race categories. “Alone or in any Combination” should be considered the maximum population size in any analysis that uses Census data.

Definitions

Foreign Born: Includes people not born in the United States, Puerto Rico, or the U.S. Island Areas (such as Guam, the U.S. Virgin Islands, or the Northern Mariana Islands).

Income, Median Household: A measurement of income for the entire household comprised of one or more individuals that reported income. The median is computed by dividing the income distribution of households in 2000 into two equal parts, half falling below and half above the median household income.

Income, Median Per Capita/Individual: The median individual income computed for every man, woman, and child in a particular group that reported income.

Limited English Proficient: Persons who speak English less than “very well.”