LifeMode Group: Affluent Estates

Exurbanites

Households: 2,320,000
Average Household Size: 2.48
Median Age: 49.6
Median Household Income: $98,000

WHO ARE WE?
Ten years later, Exurbanites residents are now approaching retirement but showing few signs of slowing down. They are active in their communities, generous in their donations, and seasoned travelers. They take advantage of their proximity to large metropolitan centers to support the arts, but prefer a more expansive home style in less crowded neighborhoods. They have cultivated a lifestyle that is both affluent and urbane.

OUR NEIGHBORHOOD
- Established neighborhoods (most built between 1970 and 1990) found in the suburban periphery of large metropolitan markets.
- A larger market of empty nesters, married couples with no children; average household size is 2.48.
- Primarily single-family homes with a high median value of $346,000 (Index 195), most still carrying mortgages.
- Higher vacancy rate at 9%.

SOCIOECONOMIC TRAITS
- Residents are college educated; more than half have a bachelor’s degree or higher; almost 80% have some college education.
- This labor force is beginning to retire. 1 in 3 households currently receive Social Security or retirement income. Labor force participation has declined to less than 60% (Index 94).
- Unemployment remains low at 5.5% (Index 64); more of the residents prefer self-employment (Index 184) or working from home (Index 181).
- Consumers are more interested in quality than cost. They take pride in their homes and foster a sense of personal style.
- Exurbanites residents are well connected, using the Internet for everything from shopping to managing their finances.
- Sociable and hardworking, they still find time to stay physically fit.

Note: The Index represents the ratio of the segment rate to the US rate multiplied by 100.
Consumer preferences are estimated from data by GfK MRI.
**AGE BY SEX (Esri data)**

**Median Age:** 49.6  US: 37.6

* 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:** 32.6  US: 62.1

- Hispanic*: 6.8%
- Multiple: 2.3%
- Other: 1.6%
- Asian and Pac. Island American Indian: 4.9%
- Black: 0.4%
- White: 3.2%

* Hispanic can be of any race.  

**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.

- Median Household Income: $98,000
- Median Net Worth: $451,000

**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.

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**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.

- Management: $100,000
- Sales and Related: $70,000
- Office and Administrative Support: $50,000
- Education, Training, and Library: $40,000
- Health Care Practitioners and Technical: $30,000
- Other: $20,000
MARKET PROFILE (Consumer preferences are estimated from data by GfK MRI)

- Exurbanites residents’ preferred vehicles are late model luxury cars or SUVs.
- They are active supporters of the arts and public television/radio.
- Attentive to ingredients, they prefer natural or organic products.
- Gardening and home improvement are priorities, but they also use a number of services, from home care and maintenance to personal care.
- Financially active with wide-ranging investments, these investors rely on financial planners, extensive reading, and the Internet to handle their money.

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
Median Value: $346,000
US Median: $177,000

ESRI INDEXES

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

- Wealth Index: 215
- Socioeconomic Status Index: 171
- Housing Affordability Index: 146

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 to 1,000,000
Population Growth: -0.5% to 3.0%
Population Density: 0.5% to 276 persons per sq. mile
SEGMENT DENSITY

This map illustrates the density and distribution of the Exurbanites Tapestry Segment by households.