

1950 Demographic Profile of Pacoima (Combined Census Tracts 0005, 0004A, 0004B, and 0010B from IPUMS NHGIS)

Total population: 48,020 | Total housing units: 13,894

Table 1. Population by Race (1960)

| Race | Population | Percent |
|---------------|------------|---------|
| White | 37803 | 78.7 |
| Black (Negro) | 8869 | 18.5 |
| Other races | 1348 | 2.8 |
| Total | 48020 | 100 |

Table 2. Population by Sex (1960)

| Sex | Population | Percent |
|--------|------------|---------|
| Male | 23062 | 48 |
| Female | 24958 | 52 |
| Total | 48020 | 100 |

Table 3A. Foreign Stock Status (Nativity/Parentage) (1960)

| Measure | Population | Percent of total population |
|--------------------------------------|------------|-----------------------------|
| Foreign born | 3200 | 6.7 |
| Native of foreign or mixed parentage | 7616 | 15.9 |
| Total foreign stock | 10816 | 22.5 |

Table 3B. Foreign Stock by Country of Origin (1960)

| Country of origin | Population | Percent of foreign stock |
|-----------------------------------|------------|--------------------------|
| United Kingdom (Northern Ireland) | 694 | 6.4 |
| Ireland (Eire) | 147 | 1.4 |
| Norway | 142 | 1.3 |
| Sweden | 196 | 1.8 |
| Germany | 508 | 4.7 |
| Poland | 156 | 1.4 |
| Czechoslovakia | 103 | 1 |
| Austria | 144 | 1.3 |
| Hungary | 153 | 1.4 |
| USSR | 207 | 1.9 |
| Italy | 673 | 6.2 |
| Canada | 783 | 7.2 |
| Mexico | 5211 | 48.2 |
| All others and not reported | 1699 | 15.7 |
| Total foreign stock | 10816 | 100 |

Table 4. Educational Attainment (1960)

| Educational attainment category | Population | Percent (of education total) |
|---------------------------------|------------|------------------------------|
| No school years completed | 582 | 2.6 |
| 1 to 4 years | 1066 | 4.7 |
| 5 to 7 years | 2676 | 11.8 |
| 8 years | 3602 | 15.9 |
| High school, 1 to 3 years | 5972 | 26.3 |
| High school, 4 years | 5927 | 26.1 |
| College, 1 to 3 years | 2133 | 9.4 |
| College, 4 or more years | 746 | 3.3 |
| Total (education categories) | 22704 | 100 |

Table 5. Income Distribution (1960)

| Income bracket | Count | Percent (of income total) |
|---------------------------|-------|------------------------------|
| Less than \$1,000 | 399 | 3.6 |
| \$1,000–\$1,999 | 457 | 4.1 |
| \$2,000–\$2,999 | 603 | 5.5 |
| \$3,000–\$3,999 | 881 | 8 |
| \$4,000–\$4,999 | 1205 | 10.9 |
| \$5,000–\$5,999 | 1380 | 12.5 |
| \$6,000–\$6,999 | 1581 | 14.3 |
| \$7,000–\$7,999 | 1121 | 10.1 |
| \$8,000–\$8,999 | 1047 | 9.5 |
| \$9,000–\$9,999 | 744 | 6.7 |
| \$10,000–\$14,999 | 1380 | 12.5 |
| \$15,000–\$24,999 | 234 | 2.1 |
| \$25,000 and over | 25 | 0.2 |
| Total (income categories) | 11057 | 100 |

Table 6A. Labor Force Participation (Persons 14 and over) (1960)

| Sex | Labor force | Population 14+ | LF participation rate (%) |
|--------|-------------|-------------------|---------------------------|
| Male | 11918 | 14404 | 82.7 |
| Female | 5346 | 14958 | 35.7 |
| Total | 17264 | 29362 | 58.8 |

Table 6B. Unemployment (Persons in the labor force, 14+) (1960)

| Sex | Unemployed | Labor force | Unemployment rate (%) |
|--------|------------|-------------|-----------------------|
| Male | 902 | 11918 | 7.6 |
| Female | 502 | 5346 | 9.4 |
| Total | 1404 | 17264 | 8.1 |

Table 7. Employed Civilians 14+ by Occupation (Combined Sexes) (1960)

| Occupation group | Population | Percent |
|------------------------------------|------------|---------|
| Operatives (incl. mine) | 3198 | 24.2 |
| Craftsmen/foremen | 3184 | 24.1 |
| Service workers (except household) | 1420 | 10.8 |
| Laborers (except farm/mine) | 1346 | 10.2 |
| Professional, technical | 1062 | 8 |
| Occupation not reported | 751 | 5.7 |
| Clerical | 693 | 5.2 |
| Managers/officials/proprietors | 602 | 4.6 |
| Sales | 518 | 3.9 |
| Farmers and farm managers | 255 | 1.9 |
| Farm laborers/foremen | 135 | 1 |
| Private household workers | 44 | 0.3 |
| Total (occupation categories) | 13208 | 100 |

Table 8. Employed Civilians 14+ by Class of Worker (1960)

| Class of worker | Count | Percent |
|--------------------------------|-------|---------|
| Private wage and salary worker | 12983 | 82.1 |
| Government worker | 1707 | 10.8 |
| Self-employed worker | 1044 | 6.6 |
| Unpaid family worker | 82 | 0.5 |
| Total (class of worker) | 15816 | 100 |

Table 9. Employed Civilians 14+ by Industry (1960)

| Industry | Count | Percent |
|----------------------------------------------|-------|---------|
| Transportation equipment | 2039 | 12.9 |
| Construction | 1680 | 10.6 |
| Other, including not reported | 1669 | 10.6 |
| Other retail | 1495 | 9.5 |
| Machinery | 1350 | 8.5 |
| Other durable goods | 852 | 5.4 |
| Business and repair services | 595 | 3.8 |
| Public administration | 558 | 3.5 |
| Educational services | 552 | 3.5 |
| Hospitals | 536 | 3.4 |
| Communications, utilities, sanitary services | 514 | 3.2 |
| Eating and drinking places | 472 | 3 |
| Private household services | 455 | 2.9 |
| Metal industry | 449 | 2.8 |

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| Other transportation | 381 | 2.4 |
| Wholesale trade | 363 | 2.3 |
| Textile and apparel | 329 | 2.1 |
| Other personal services | 323 | 2 |
| Other professional services | 301 | 1.9 |
| Other nondurable goods | 258 | 1.6 |
| Food and kindred industries | 219 | 1.4 |
| Printing, publishing, and allied | 138 | 0.9 |
| Furniture, lumber, and wood | 129 | 0.8 |
| R.R. and Railway express | 81 | 0.5 |
| Mining | 78 | 0.5 |
| Total (industry categories) | 15816 | 100 |

Notes: Percentages may not sum to 100 due to rounding. Labor force tables reflect persons age 14+.