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HOUSING NEEDS ASSESSMENT FOR DELAWARE COUNTY

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- Indiana Association of Realtors
- Indiana Bankers Association
- Indiana Builders Association
- Indiana CRA Bankers Association
- Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority
- Office of the Lieutenant Governor of Indiana

This report utilizes the following **data sources**:

- American Community Survey (ACS) 5-year and 1-year estimates
- Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis Economic Data (FRED)
- U.S. Census Bureau
- U.S. Census Longitudinal Employer-Household Dynamics
- U.S. Bureau of Labor and Statistics
- National Housing Preservation Database
- Indiana Association of Realtors

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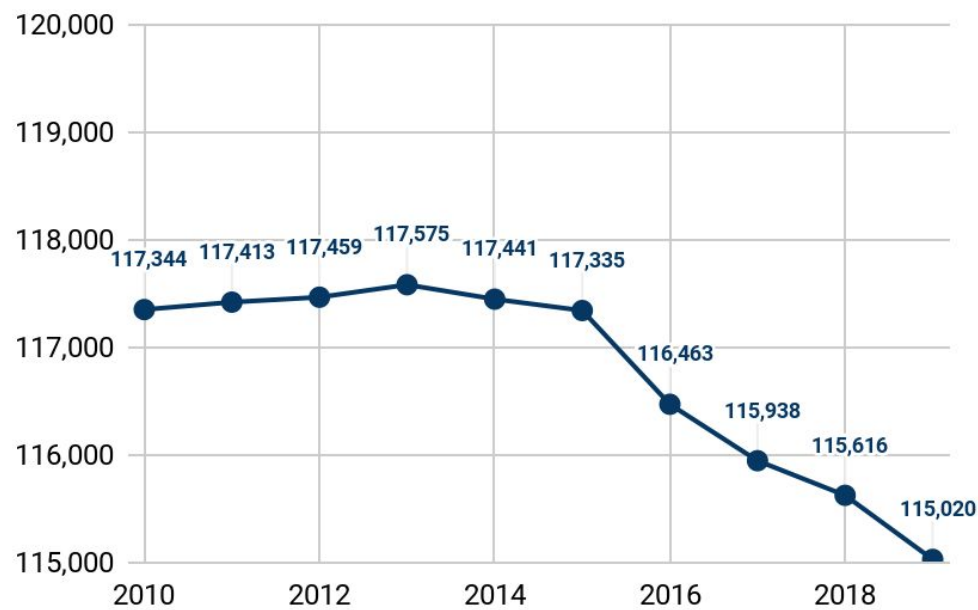
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# DEMOGRAPHIC TRENDS

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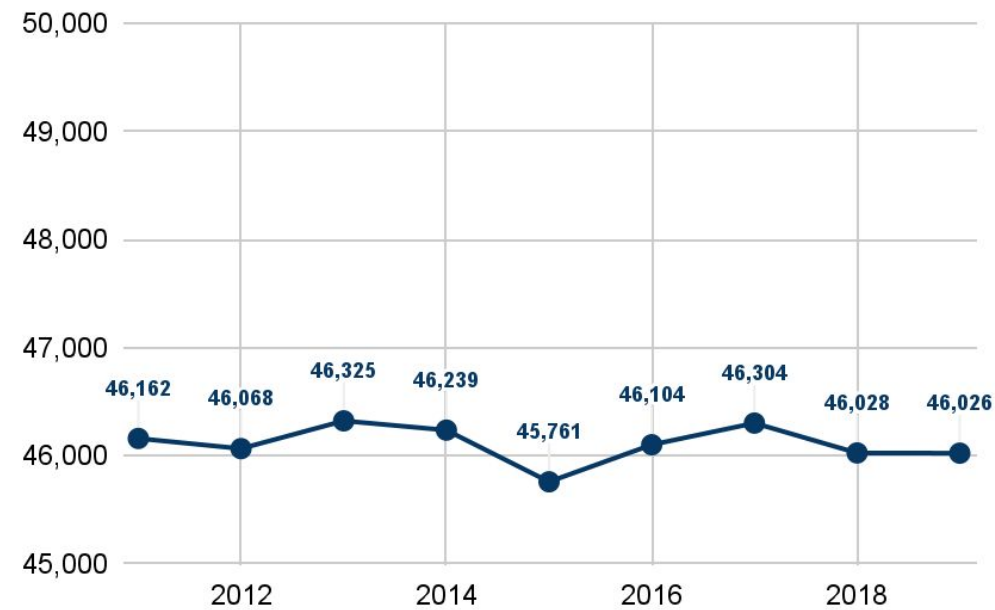
**POPULATION** | Delaware County's population has decreased by 1.98% (2,324 people) between 2010-2019. In the same time period, the total number of households decreased by 0.40% (186 households).

**Resident Population**  
Delaware County | 2010-2019



Source: FRED, U.S. Census Bureau

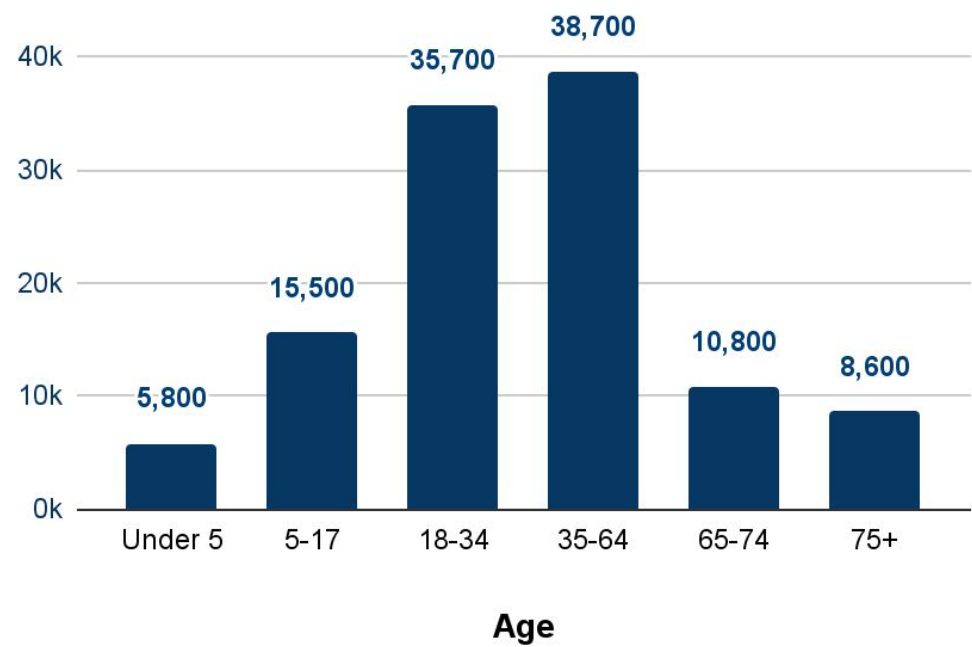
**Households**  
Delaware County | 2010-2019



Source: FRED, U.S. Census Bureau

**AGE** | 19,400 of people in Delaware County are age 65 or older, while 19% are younger than 18.

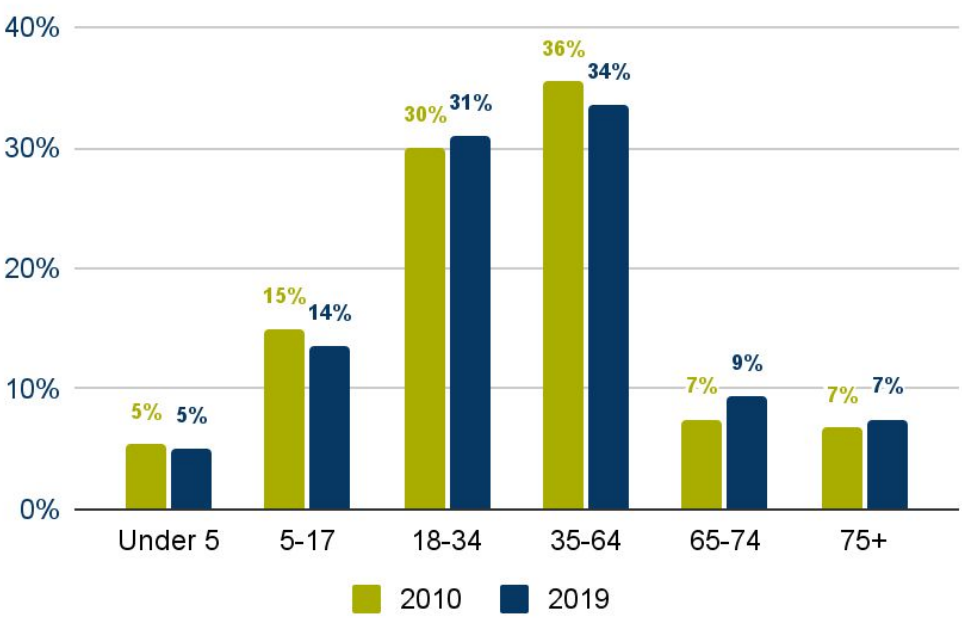
**Population by Age**  
Delaware County | 2019



Source: ACS 2019 5-year estimates

**Change in Share of Population**  
Delaware County | 2010, 2019

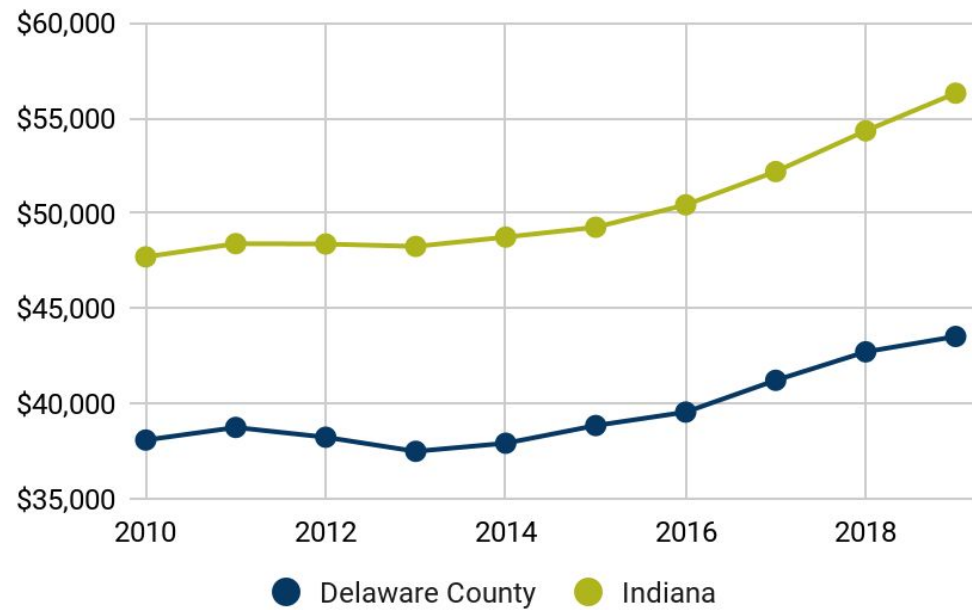
**Change in Share of Population**



Source: ACS 2010-2019 1-year estimates

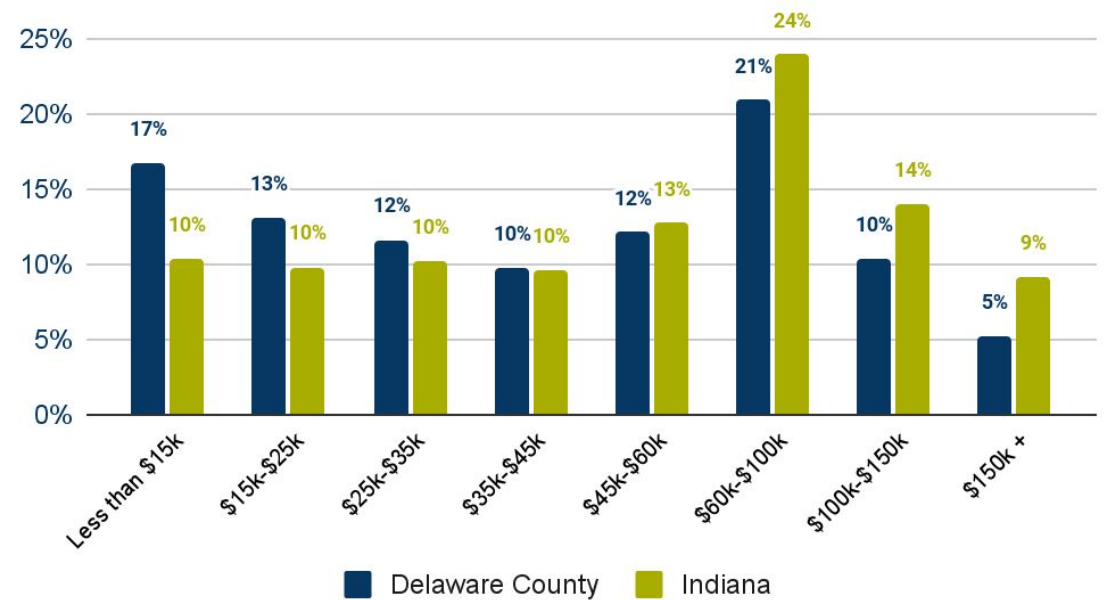
**HOUSEHOLD INCOMES** | Delaware County had a median income of \$43,512 in 2019, up 14% since 2010. 42% of households have incomes below \$35,000, while 16% have incomes above \$100,000.

**Median Income**  
Delaware County, State of Indiana | 2010-2019



Source: ACS 2010-2019 5-year estimates

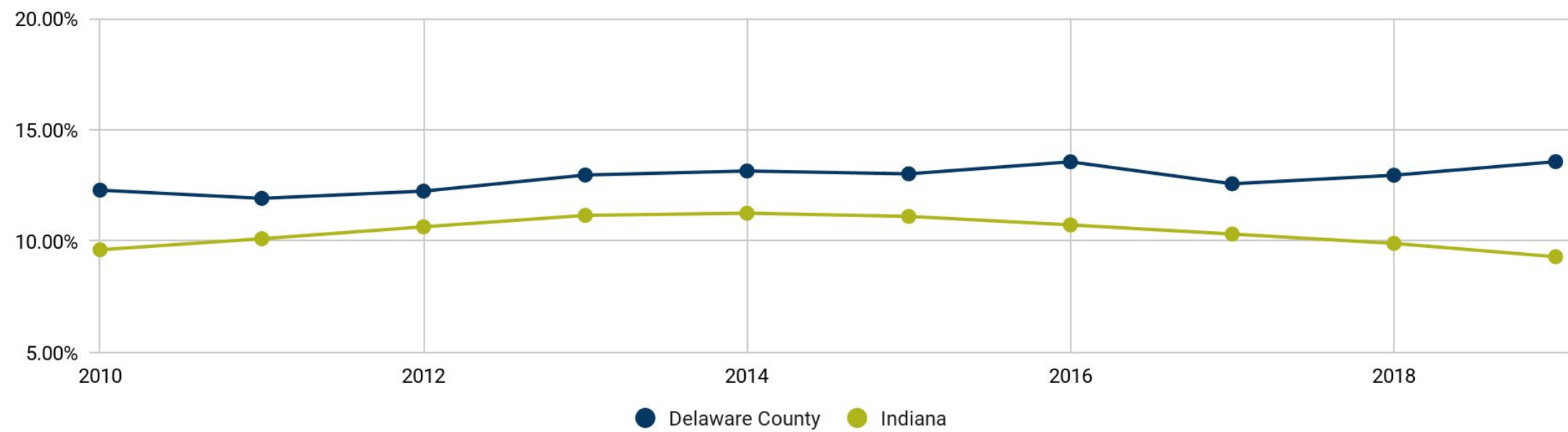
**Household Income Distribution**  
Delaware County, State of Indiana | 2019



Source: ACS 2019 5-year estimates

**FAMILY POVERTY RATE** | 13.6% of families in Delaware County live below the poverty line, up 1.28 points from 12.3% in 2010.

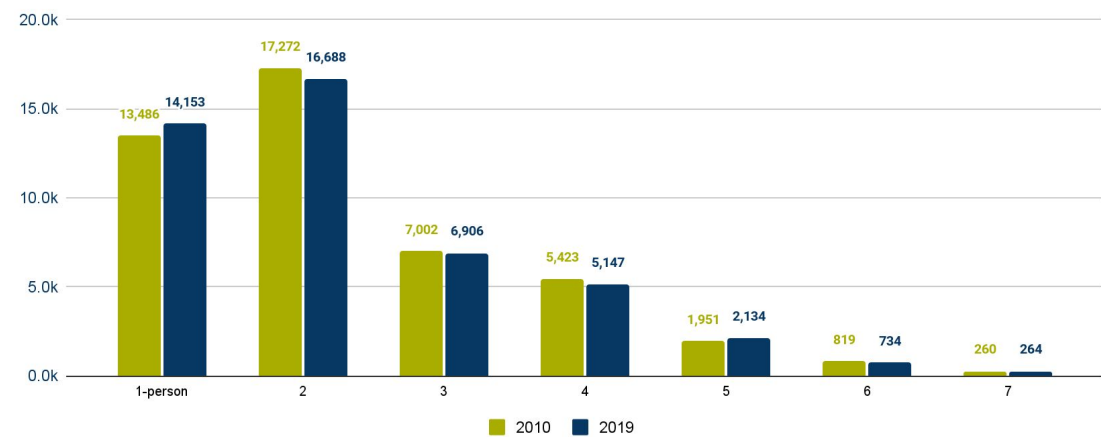
**Family Poverty Rate**  
Delaware County, State of Indiana | 2010-2019



Source: ACS 2010-2019 5-year estimates

**HOUSEHOLD SIZE |** The average household size is 2.34 people, compared to the statewide average of 2.52. The Delaware County average household has shrunk by 0.03 persons since 2010.

**Household Size**  
Delaware County | 2010, 2019



Source: ACS 2010-2019 5-year estimates

**Household Size**  
State of Indiana | 2010, 2019



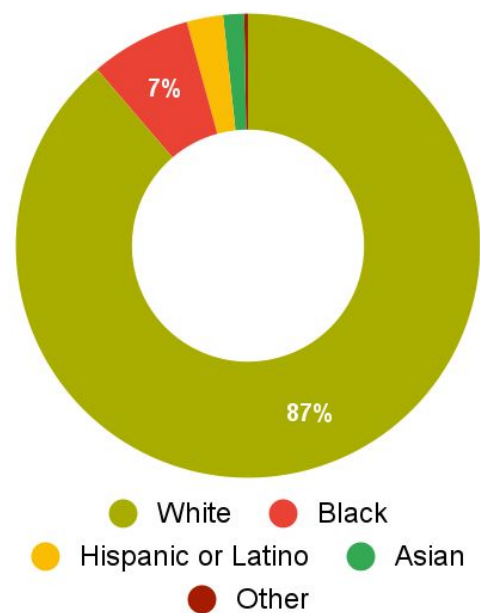
Source: ACS 2010-2019 5-year estimates



**RACIAL COMPOSITION |** The current racial distribution of households in Delaware County is 87% White, 7% Black, 2% Hispanic/Latino, 1% Asian, and 0% other.

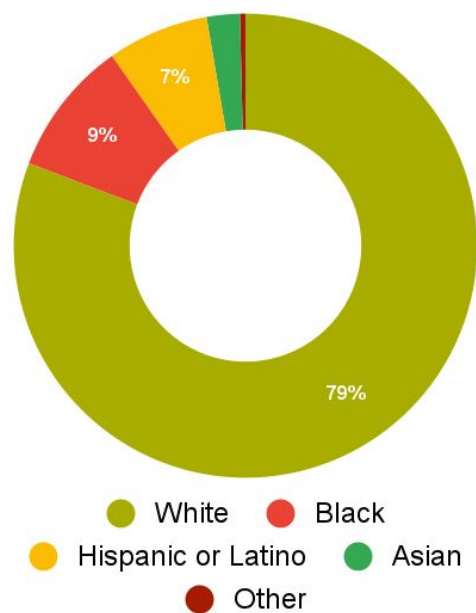
**Racial/Ethnic Distribution**

Delaware County | 2019



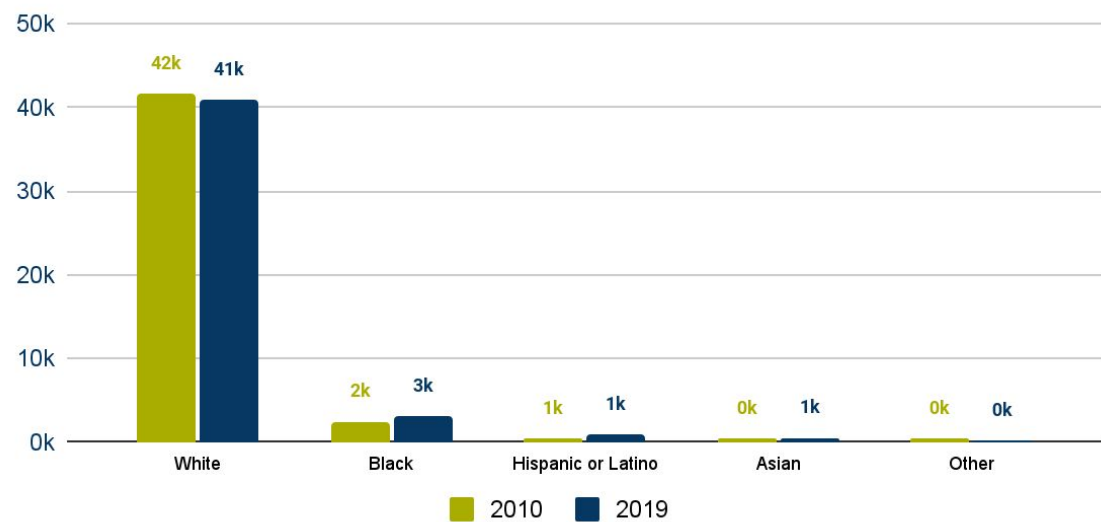
Source: ACS 2010-2019 5-year estimates

Indiana | 2019



**Household Racial/Ethnic Distribution**

Delaware County | 2010, 2019

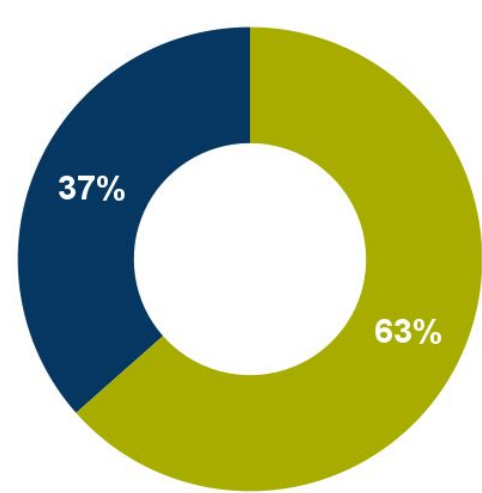


Source: ACS 2010-2019 5-year estimates

**HOUSING TENURE** | In 2019, 37% of households (16,811 households) in Delaware County were renters, while 63% (29,215 households) were owners. The share of renters has decreased by 2.97 percentage points since 2010.

**Housing Tenure**

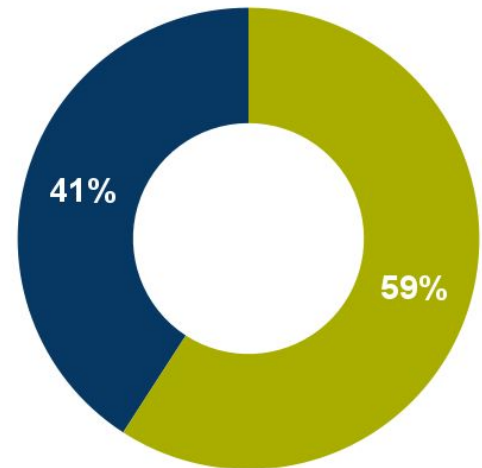
Delaware County | 2019



● Owner Occupied  
● Renter Occupied

Source: ACS 2019 5-year estimates

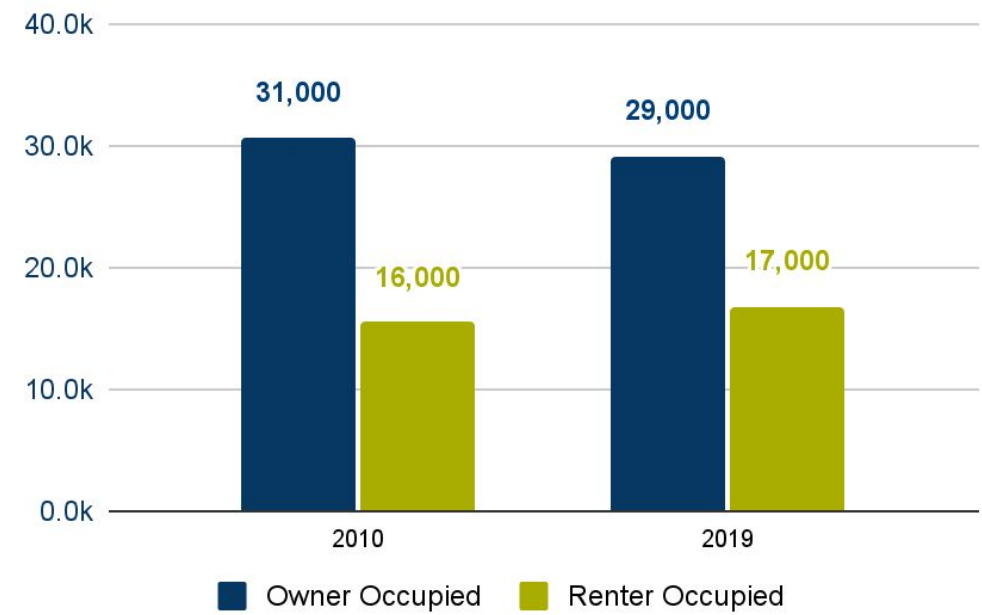
Indiana | 2019



● Owner Occupied  
● Renter Occupied

**Total Households by Tenure**

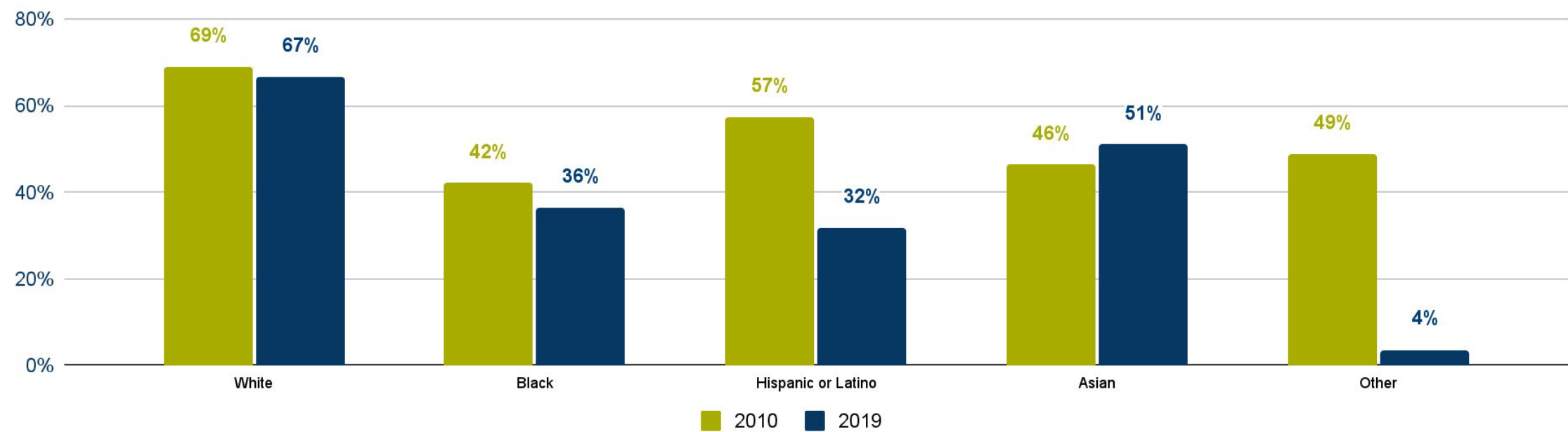
Delaware County | 2010-2019



Source: ACS 2010-2019 5-year estimates

**TENURE BY RACE |** While the overall homeownership rate is 63%, homeownership is 67% among non-Hispanic White households, 36% for Black households, and 32% for Hispanic or Latino households.

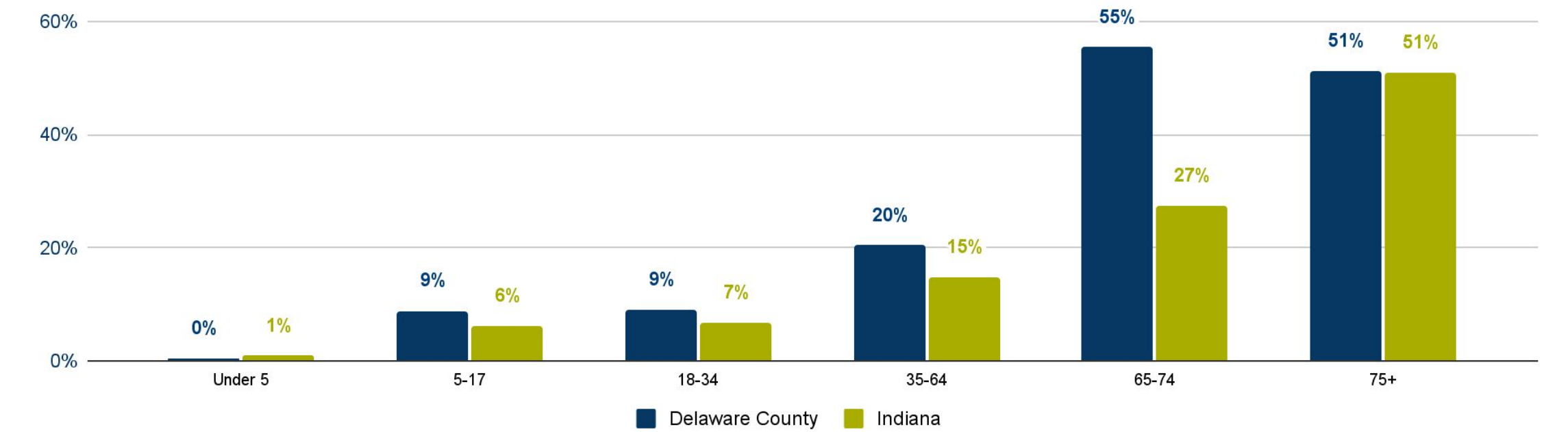
**Homeownership by Race**  
Delaware County | 2010, 2019



Source: ACS 2010-2019 5-year estimates

**DISABILITY** | 20% of people in Delaware County live with a disability. For people 65 and older, the figure increases to 54%.

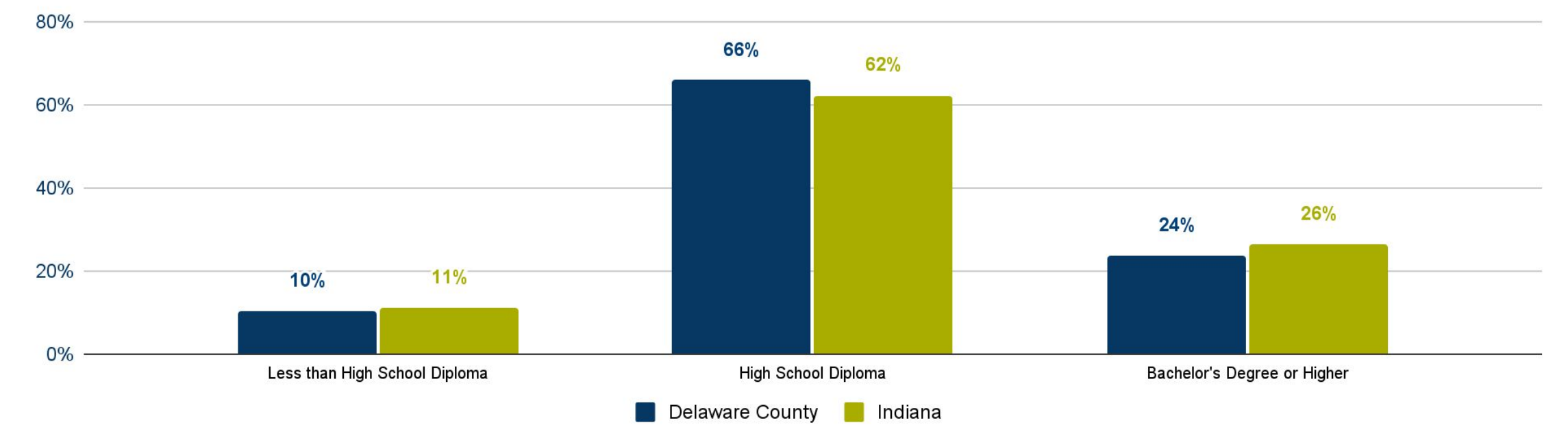
**Share of the Population by Age with a Disability**  
**Delaware County, Indiana | 2010, 2019**



Source: ACS 2010-2019 5-year estimates

**EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT** | In Delaware County, 66% of the population completed high school degree as their highest level of education, while 24% of the population has a Bachelor's degree or higher.

**Educational Attainment**  
Delaware County, Indiana | 2019



Source: ACS 2010-2019 5-year estimates

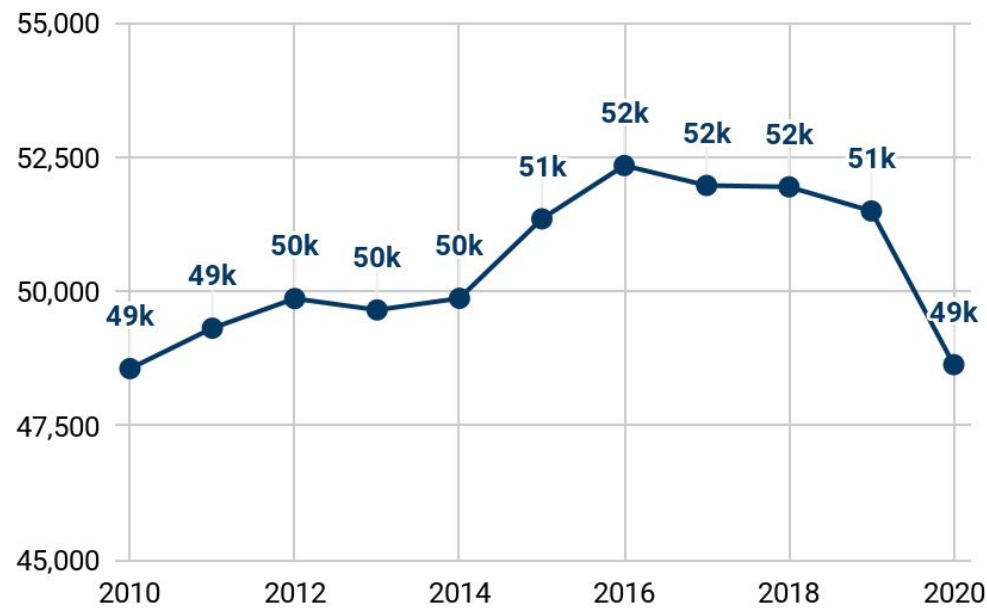
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# **JOB / EMPLOYMENT TRENDS**

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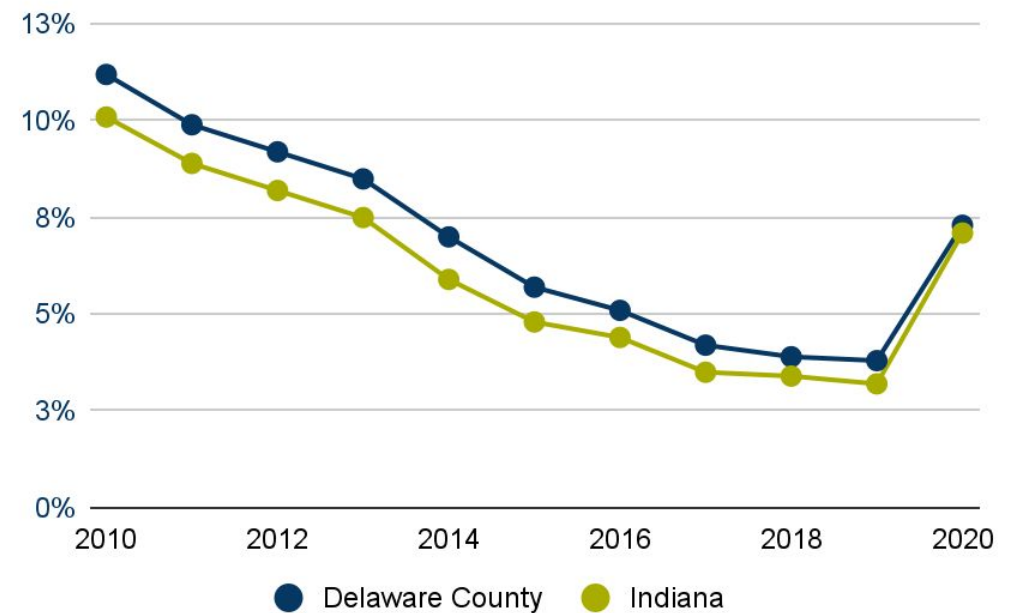
**EMPLOYMENT BASE |** There are currently 49,000 employed persons in Delaware County, up by 0.15% since 2010. The unemployment rate in 2020 was 7.30%, up 3.50 points from 2019.

**Total Employment**  
Delaware County | 2010-2019



Source: FRED Estimates

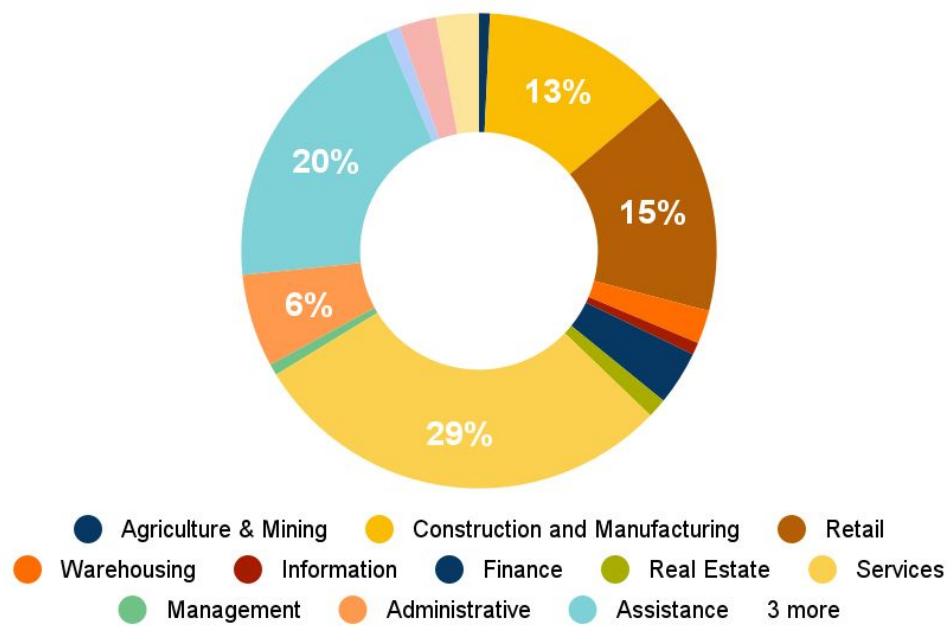
**Unemployment Rate**  
Delaware County, Indiana | 2010-2019



Source: FRED Estimates

# EMPLOYMENT BY INDUSTRY | Health Care and Social Assistance is the leading industry for jobs in Delaware County, followed by Educational Services (14%).

## Total Jobs by All Industries Delaware County | 2018



Source: Census, Longitudinal Employer-Household Dynamics, Primary Jobs, 2018

## Top 5 Industries and Median Annual Wages

- 1. Service-providing | \$42,411
- 2. Trade, transportation, and utilities | \$37,982
- 3. Goods-producing | \$52,769
- 4. Education and health services | \$49,984
- 5. Professional and business services | \$50,051

Source: BLS

## Top 5 Employers

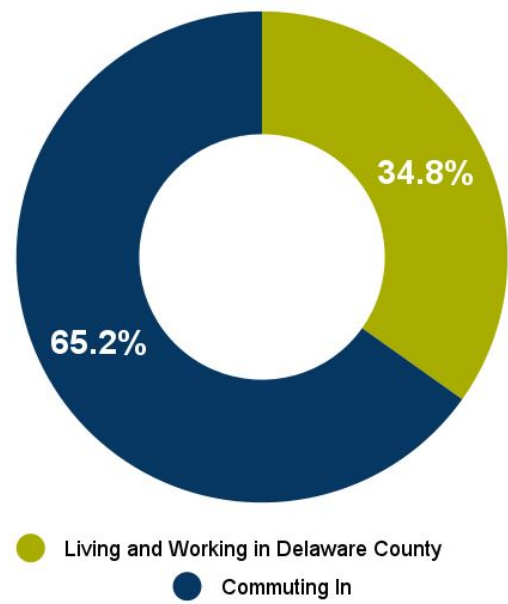
- 1. Iu Health Ball Memorial Hosp (Muncie)
- 2. Youth Opportunity Ctr (Muncie)
- 3. Meijer (Muncie)
- 4. Prestige Portraits (Muncie)
- 5. Walmart Supercenter (Muncie)

Source: BLS



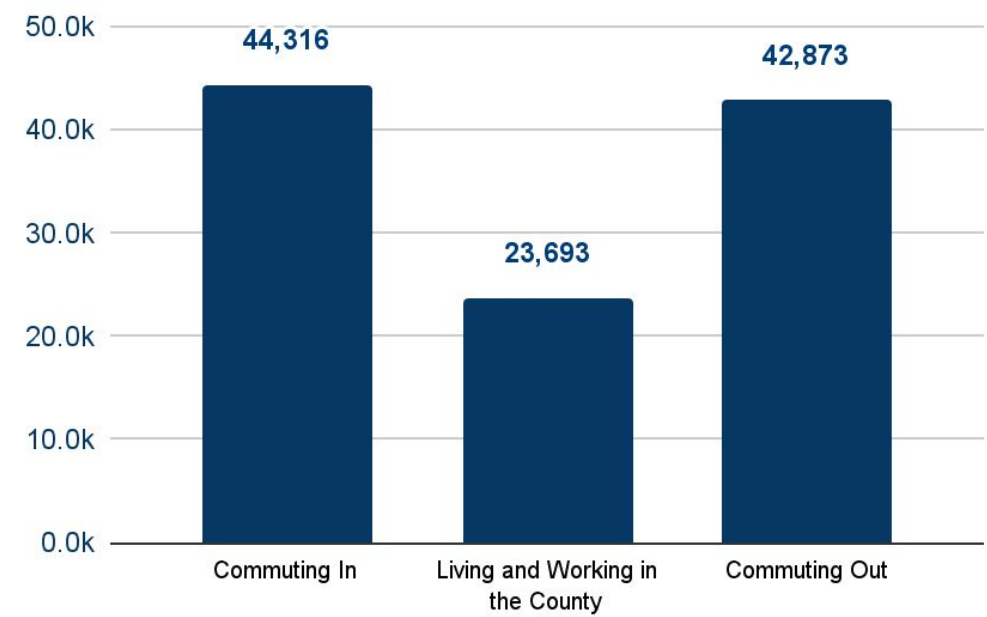
**COMMUTER INFLOW / OUTFLOW |** 44,000 commuters come into Delaware County for their jobs, while 43,000 employees travel out of Delaware County for their jobs.

**Employment Inflow**  
Delaware County | 2018



Source: Census, Longitudinal Employer-Household Dynamics, Primary Jobs, 2018

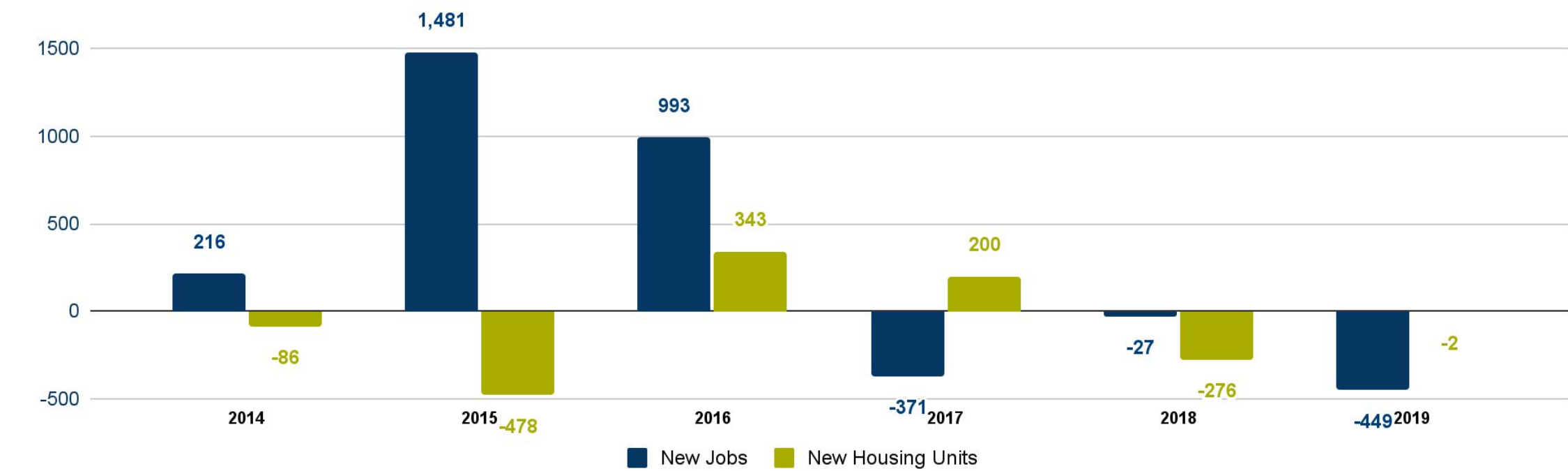
**Commuting Patterns**  
Delaware County | 2018



Source: Census, Longitudinal Employer-Household Dynamics, Primary Jobs, 2018

**JOB GROWTH AND HOUSING PRODUCTION |** Delaware County has created 1,843 jobs and -299 housing units between 2014 and 2019, or -16 housing units for every 100 jobs created.

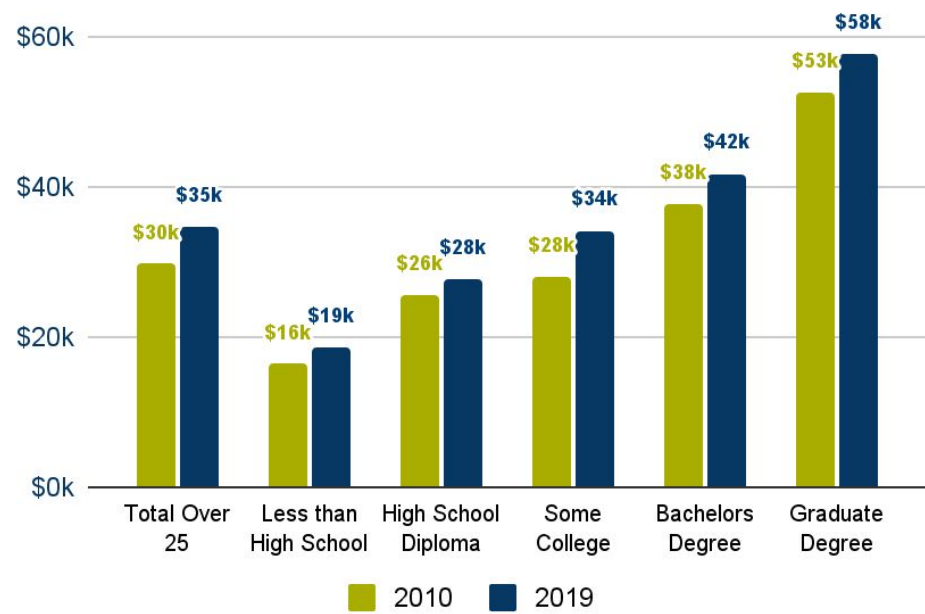
**Job Growth and Housing Production**  
**Delaware County | New Jobs, New Housing Units**



Housing Units Includes all existing units, single family and multifamily.  
Source: ACS 2010-2019 5-year estimates

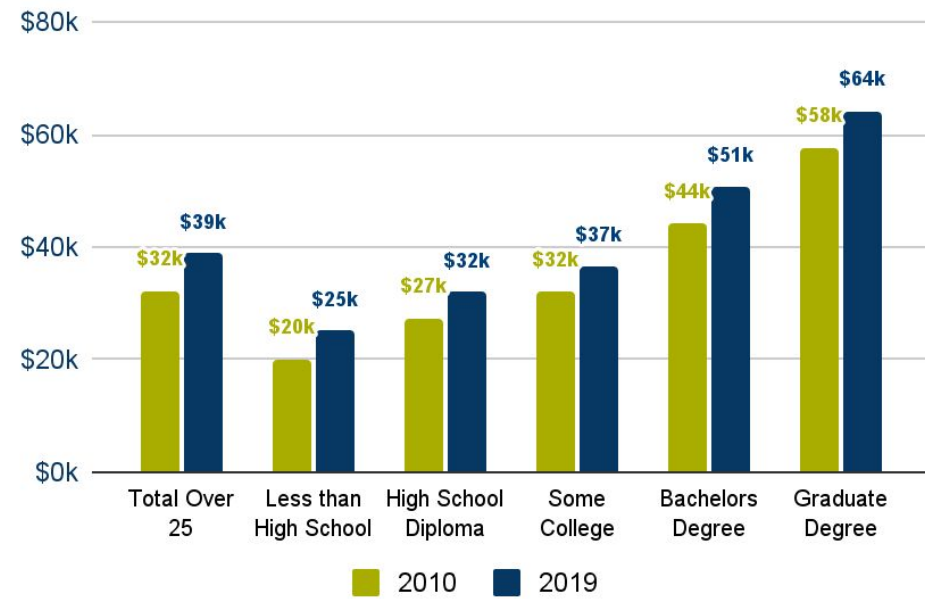
**INCOME GROWTH |** Median earnings have increased 17% since 2010 for the total population and increased 8% for the population with a high school diploma or greater education.

**Median Earnings by Educational Attainment**  
Delaware County | 2010, 2019



Source: ACS 2010-2019 5-year estimates

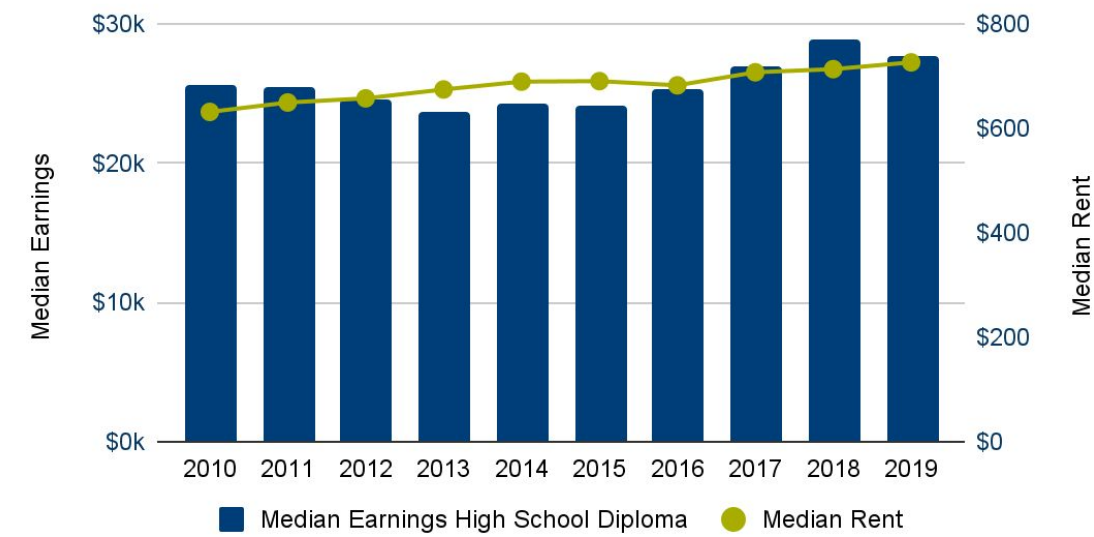
**Median Earnings by Educational Attainment**  
Indiana | 2010, 2019



Source: ACS 2010-2019 5-year estimates

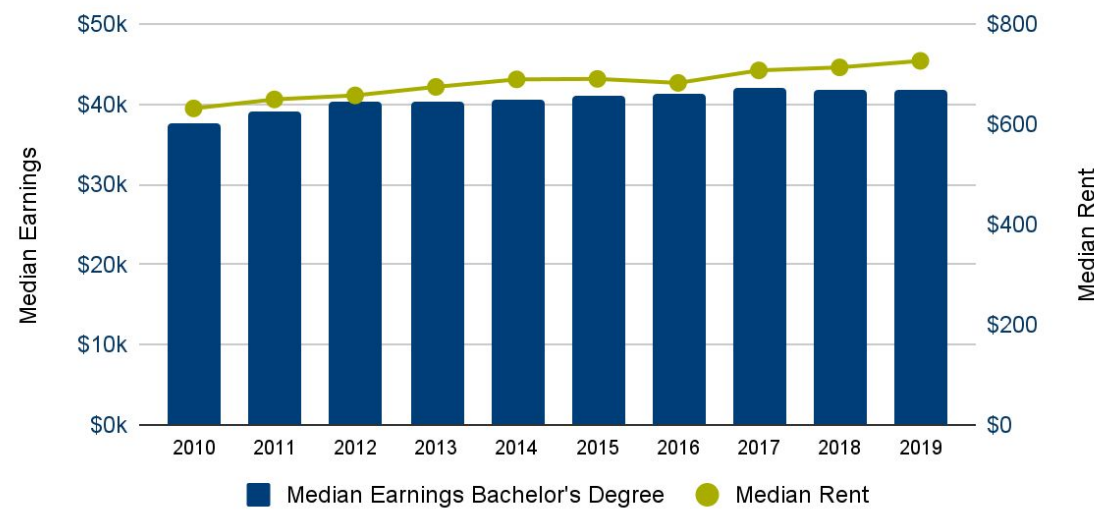
**INCOME GROWTH AND EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT |** Median annual earnings have increased by \$4,500, or 17% since 2010 for high school graduates, and increased \$6,500, or 15%, since 2010 for Bachelors Degree holders. Median rent has increased \$95, or 15% since 2010.

**Income and Rent Growth, High School Diploma**  
Delaware County | 2010-2019



Source: ACS 2010-2019 5-year estimates

**Income and Rent Growth, Bachelor's Degree**  
Delaware County | 2010-2019



Source: ACS 2010-2019 5-year estimates

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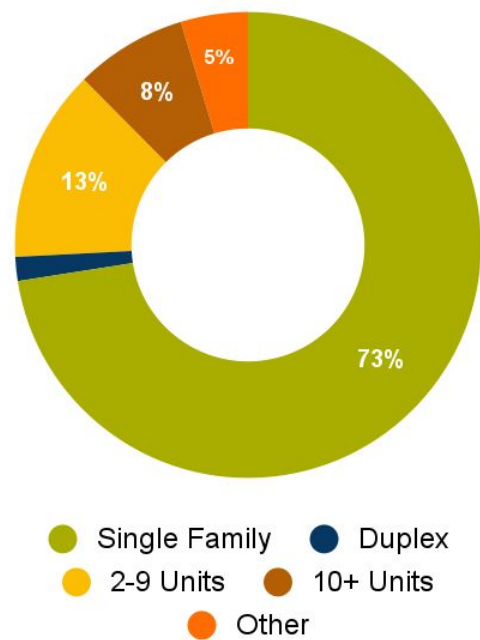
# HOUSING TRENDS

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**HOUSING TYPE |** 73% of homes in Delaware County are single-family, while 27% are multifamily.

**Housing Type**

Delaware County | 2019



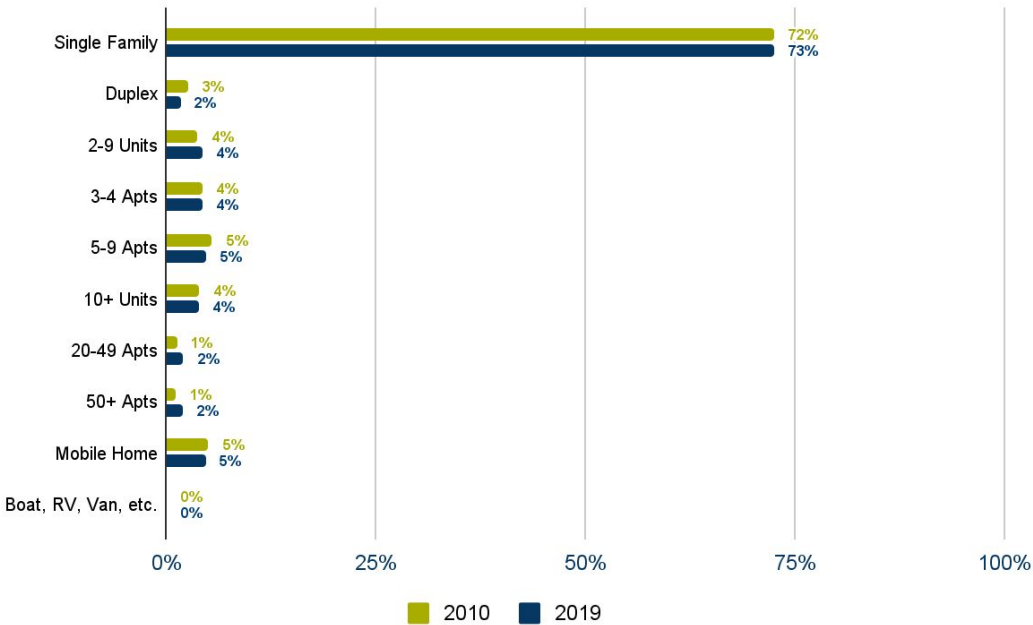
Source: ACS 2010-2019 5-year estimates

Indiana | 2019



**Share of Units by Housing Type**

Delaware County | 2010-2019



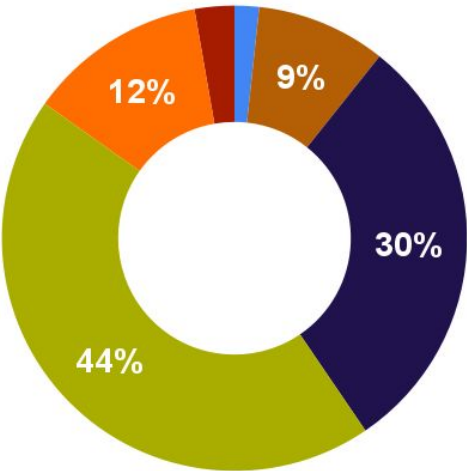
Source: ACS 2010-2019 5-year estimates

**HOUSING UNIT SIZE |** Most homes in Delaware County average 2.34 bedrooms, with 60% of units containing 3 bedrooms or more.

**Housing Stock by Number of Bedrooms**

Delaware County | 2019

Indiana | 2019



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3 BR 4 BR 5+ BR

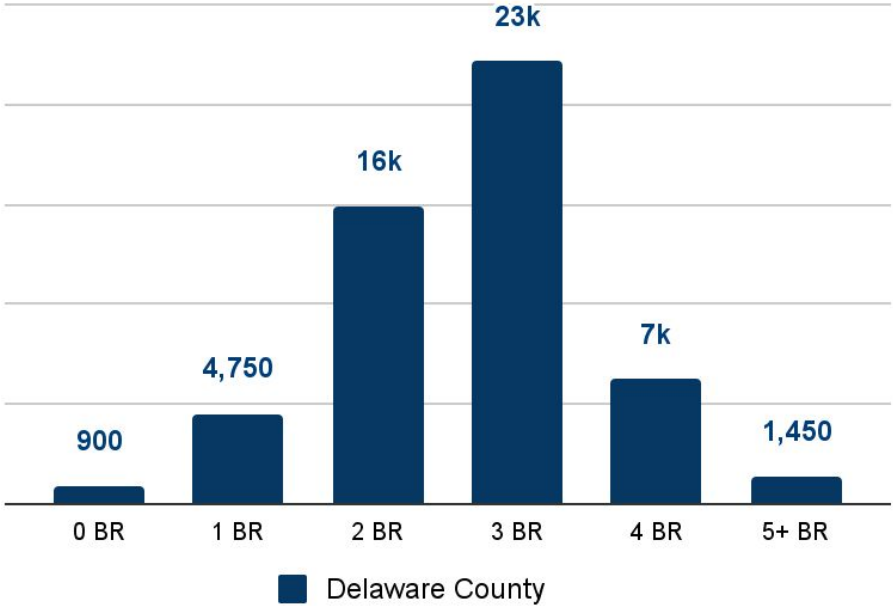


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Includes all existing units, single family and multifamily.  
Source: ACS 2010-2019 5-year estimates

**Share of Housing Stock by Bedroom**

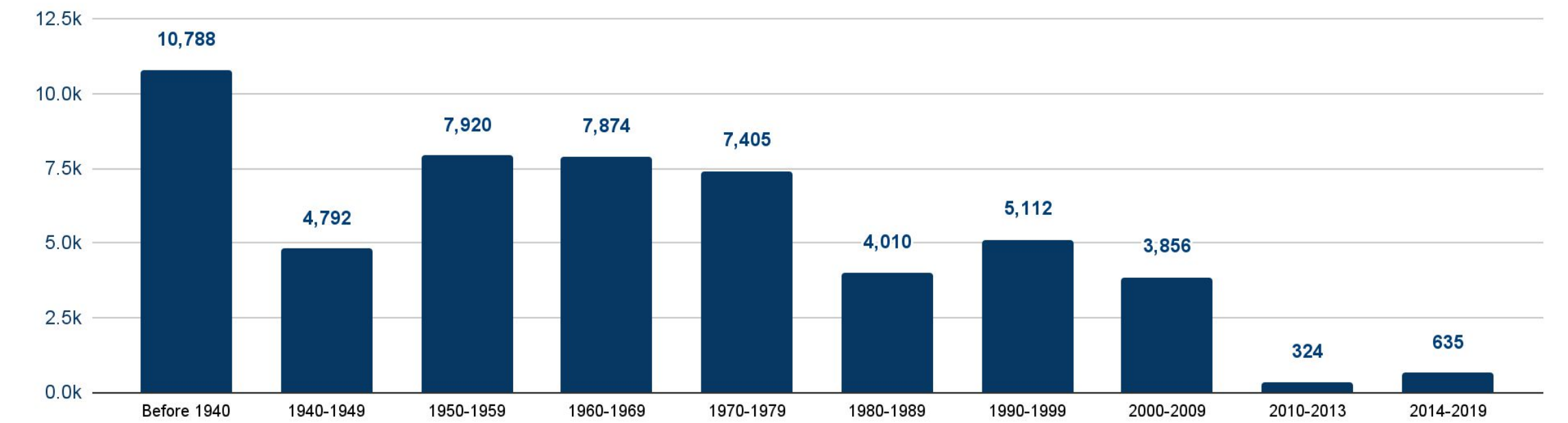
Delaware County, Indiana | 2019



Source: ACS 2010-2019 5-year estimates

**AGE OF HOUSING |** 60% of homes were built before 1970, 31% were built between 1970 and 2000, and 9% were built after 2000.

**Homes by Year Built**  
**Delaware County | 2019**

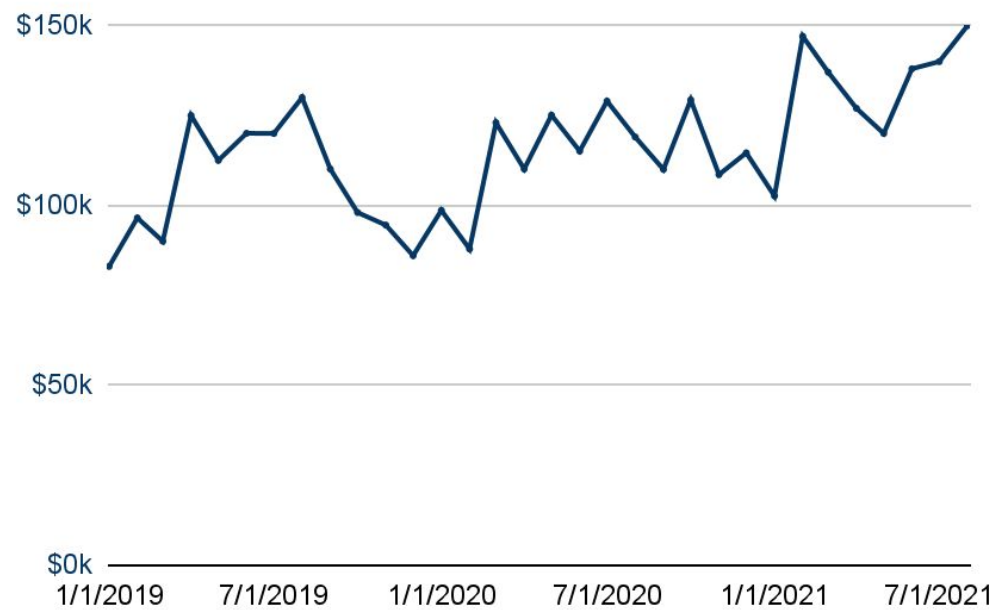


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Source: ACS 2010-2019 5-year estimates



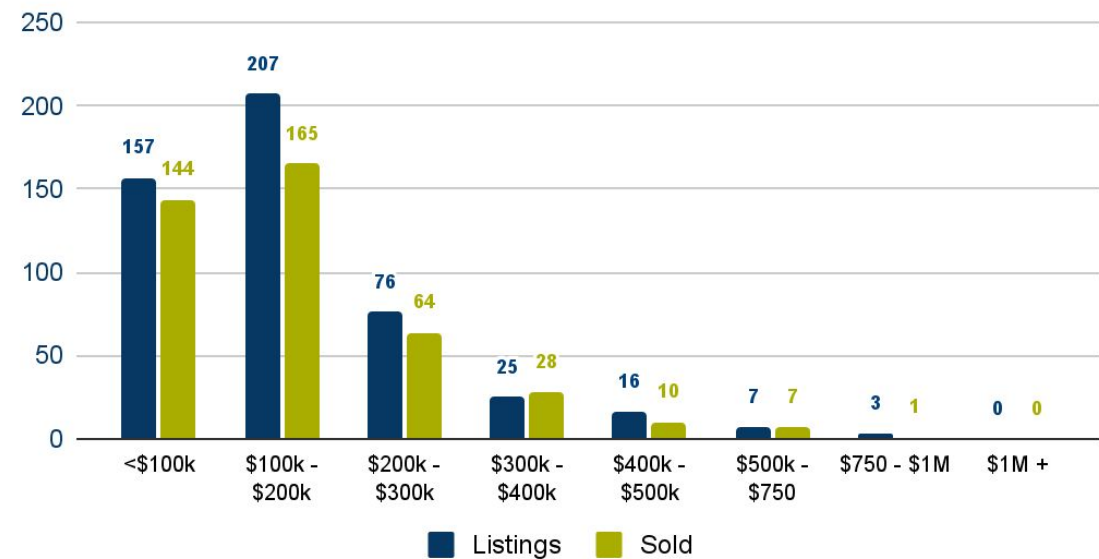
**MEDIAN LISTING PRICE |** Homes in Delaware County have a median listing price of \$149,900. Home prices have increased by 81% since 2019.

**Median Listing Price**  
Delaware County | 2019-2021



Source: ACS 2010-2019 5-year estimates  
Disclaimer: For counties less than 10,000 households, data may be significantly skewed due to limited transactions.

**Listings and Sales (last 24 months)**  
Delaware County | 2021

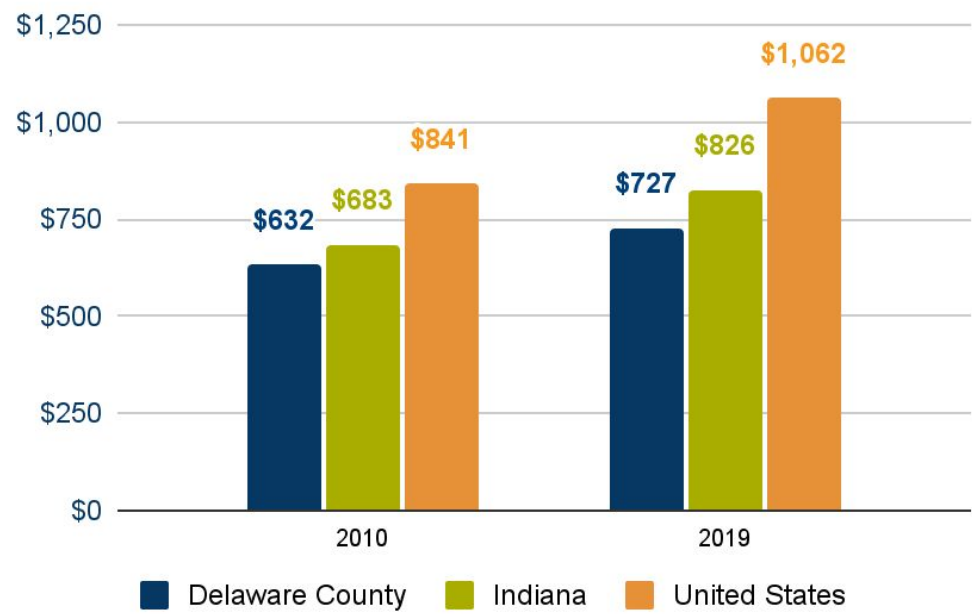


Source: ACS 2010-2019 5-year estimates

**MEDIAN RENTS |** Median rent has increased by 15% since 2010, with median rent at \$727 in 2019.

**Median Rent**

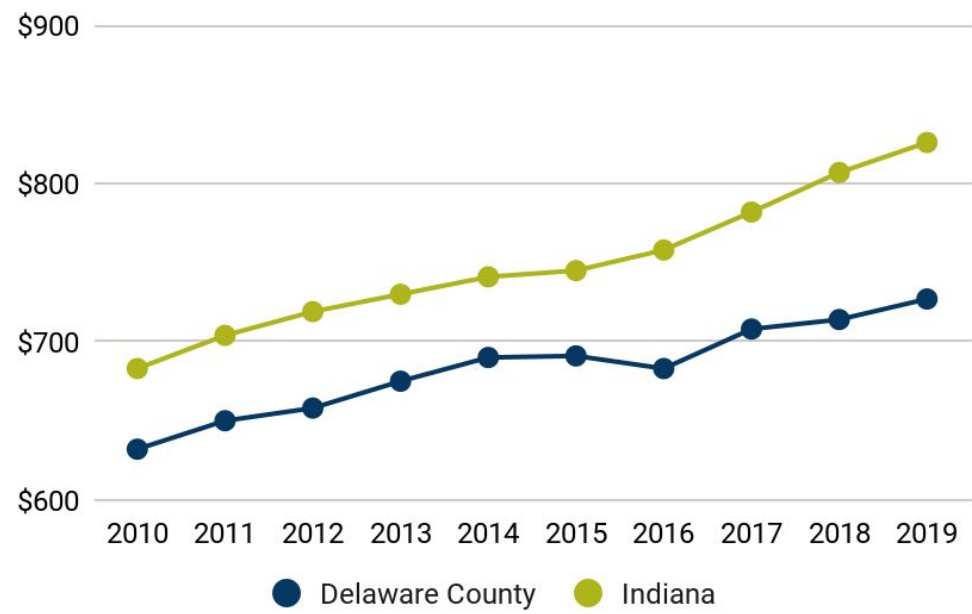
Delaware County, Indiana, United States | 2010, 2019



Source: ACS 2010-2019 5-year estimates

**Median Rent Over Time**

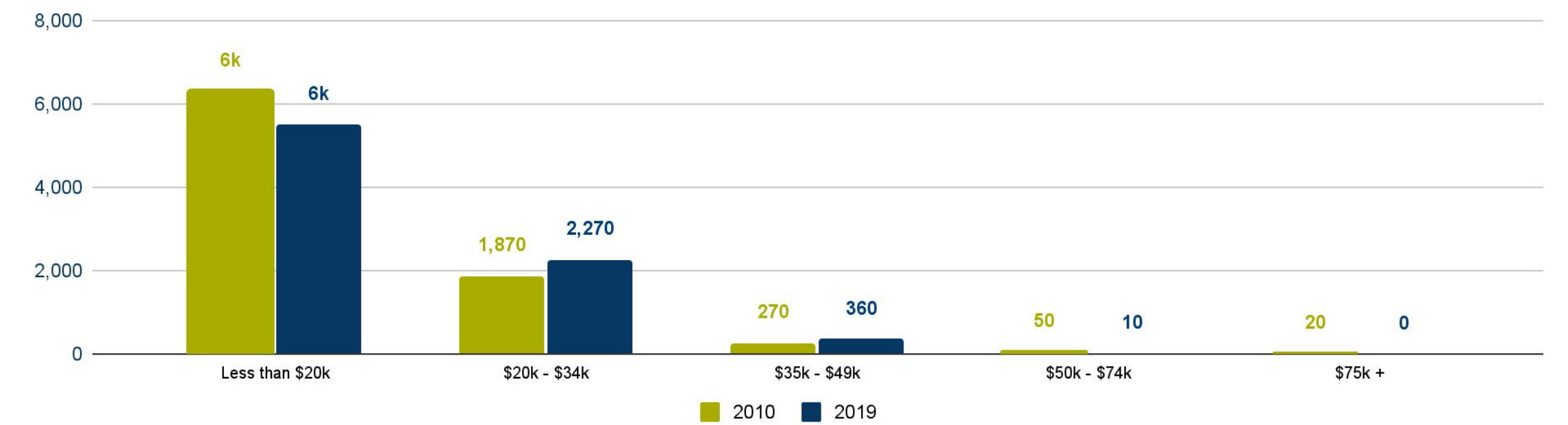
Delaware County, Indiana | 2010 - 2019



Source: ACS 2010-2019 5-year estimates

**COST BURDEN |** 54% of renter households in Delaware County are housing cost burdened, down 7.17% points since 2010. 68% of households earning below \$50,000 are housing cost burdened.

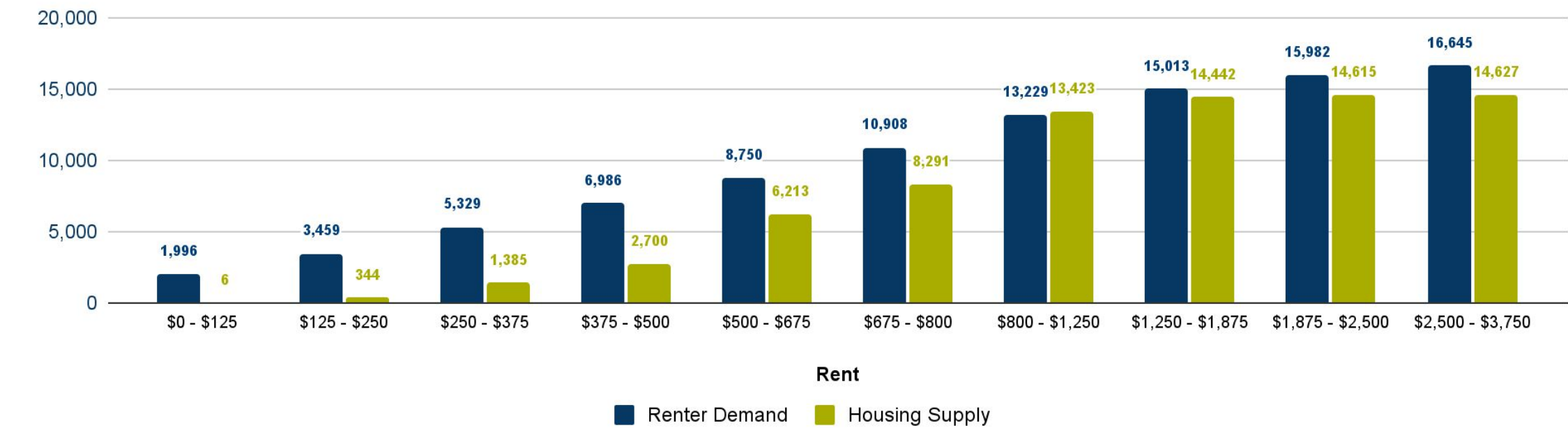
**Cost Burden Renter Households**  
**Delaware County, Indiana | 2010 - 2019**



**Cost Burdened** households are those putting more than 30% of their household income towards housing expenses.  
**Source:** ACS 2010-2019 5-year estimates

**CUMULATIVE RENTAL HOUSING GAP |** There is a 18,000 unit gap in rental homes available for households who earn less than \$50,000 annually or units renting below \$1,250 per month.

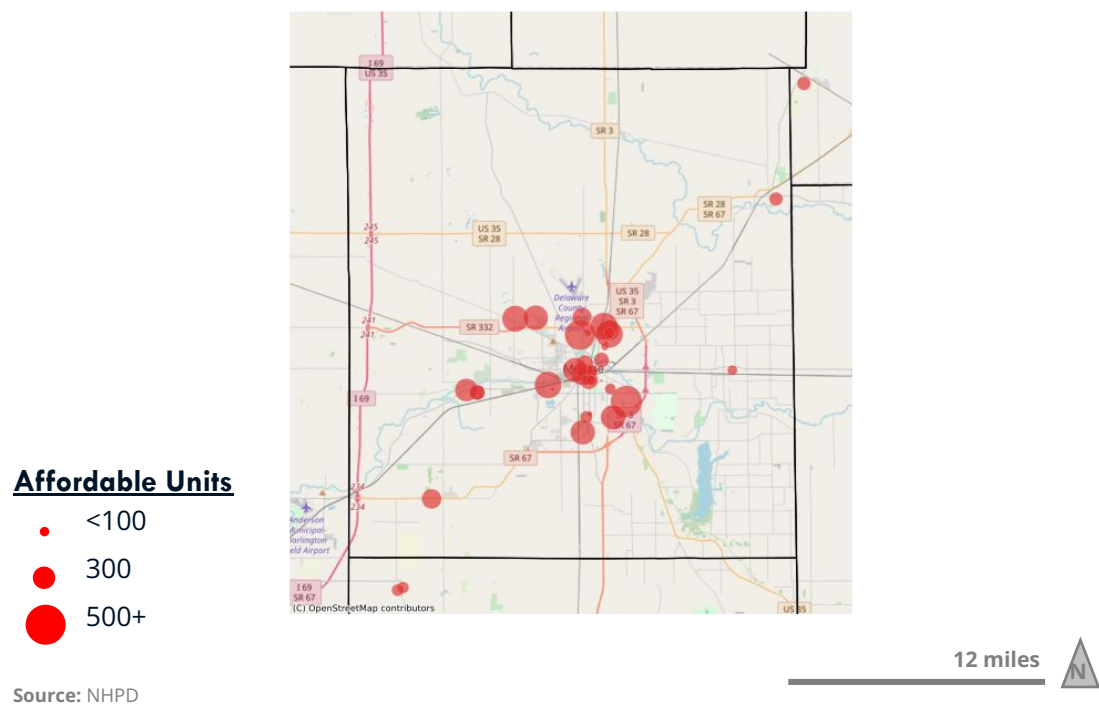
**Cumulative Housing Gap**  
**Delaware County, Indiana | 2010-2019**



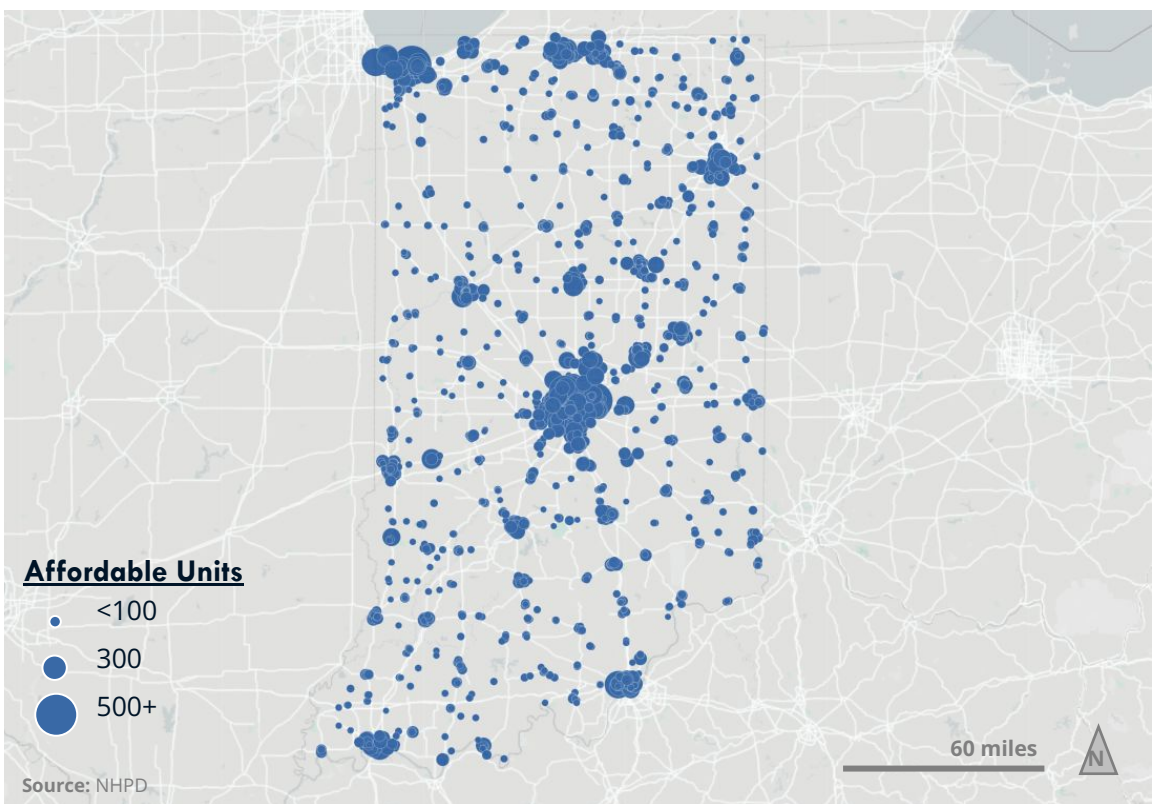
Rental Housing Gap is the number of households in each income group and number of existing housing units that are affordable to those households.  
Source: ACS 2010-2019 5-year estimates

**AFFORDABLE HOUSING |** The maps below show the geographic distribution of affordable housing units throughout the state of Indiana and in Delaware County.

**Affordable Housing Inventory**  
Delaware County | 2020

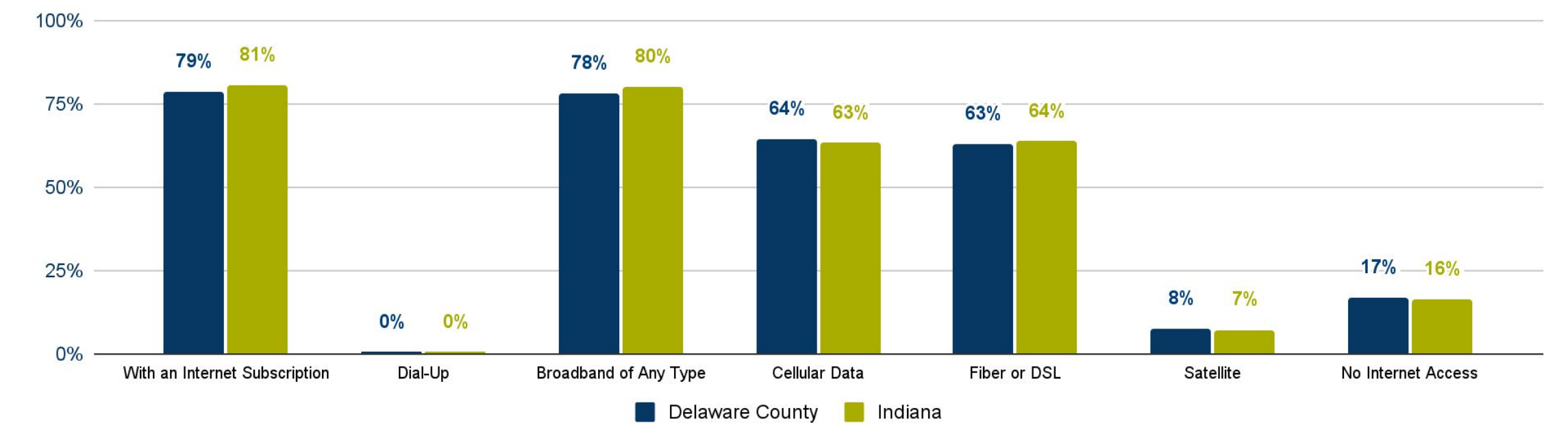


**Affordable Housing Inventory**  
State of Indiana | 2020



**INTERNET ACCESS** | 79% of housing units have access to internet compared to 81% state-wide.

**Internet Access**  
Delaware County, Indiana | 2020



Source: ACS 2010-2019 5-year estimates

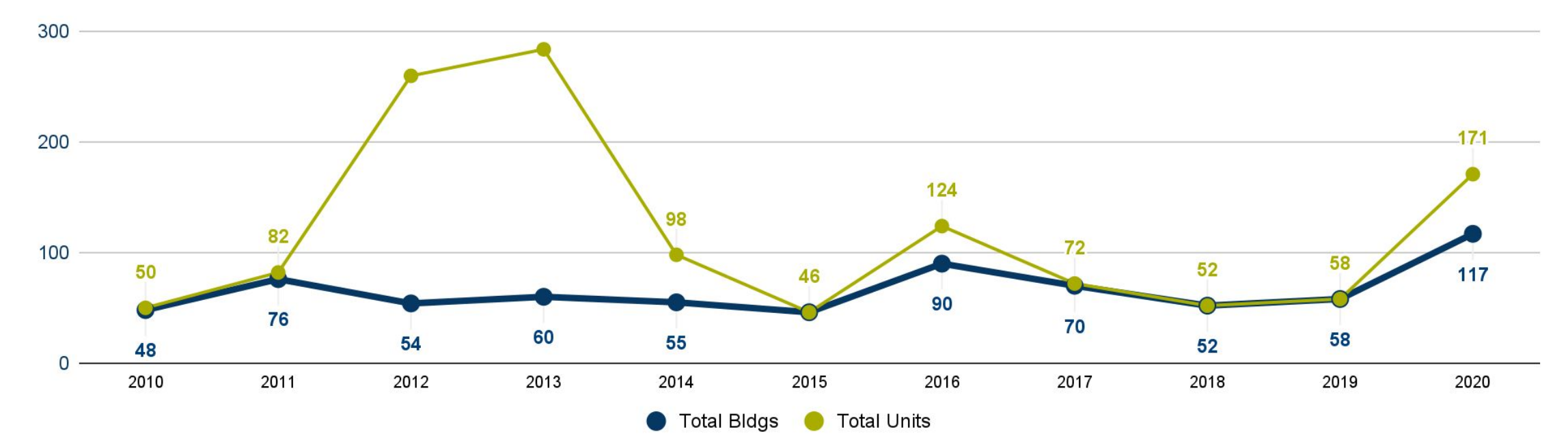
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# HOUSING CONSTRUCTION

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**HOUSING STARTS** | There were 117 new housing starts in 2020 in Delaware County, part of the total of 726 building permits authorized since 2010.

**New Housing Structures Authorized by Building Permits**  
**Delaware County | 2010-2020**



Source: St. Louis Fed.



**CONSTRUCTION INPUTS |** Construction material costs have increased rapidly since 2010--recovering from pandemic impacts to all time highs.

Construction Cost Indices  
United States | 2010-2020



Source: BEA, St. Louis Fed, U.S. Bureau of Labor and Statistics