

## Demographic Profile – City of Beacon

The City of Beacon demographic profile was developed to provide an analysis of household and economic data in the area, helping to understand the historical and projected changes that may impact the community. Data referenced throughout this report was primarily sourced from Esri Business Analyst as of May 2022. In addition, when applicable, other sources were referenced such as the American Community Survey for information about disabilities and health-related outcomes.

### Population

**16,237**  
Population

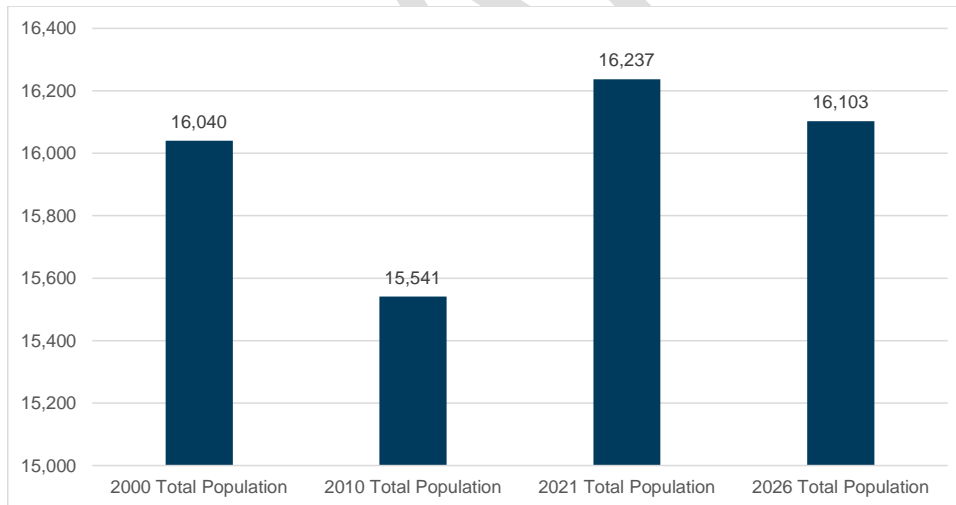
Since 2000, when the City of Beacon hovered at 16,040 residents – to 2021 with 16,237 residents – the community has not experienced significant growth or decrease in population. From 2010 to 2021, the compound annual growth rate was 0.39%, but is projected to decline to a rate of -0.17% from 2021 to 2026.

The American Community Survey estimated that the population in the City of Beacon was significantly lower than Esri Business Analyst. The American

Community Survey estimated that in 2021, the population was 13,769 compared to 16,237 from Esri.

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Figure X: Population Change in the City of Beacon



Source: Esri Business Analyst

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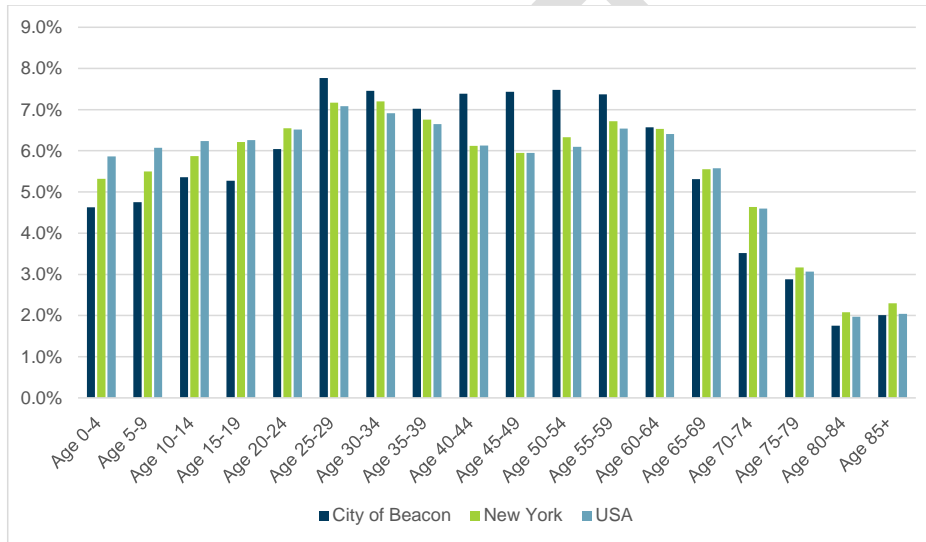
### Age

According to Esri Business Analyst, the median age in the City of Beacon was 41.1 years old, slightly older than the State of New York (39.6) and the United States (38.8).

**41.1**  
**Median Age**  
 Source: 2021 Esri Business Analyst

The age distribution in the City of Beacon in 2021 is reflective of middle age to older adults. The City of Beacon had a higher population of those between 40 and 59 years old than the population of New York State and the United States. Likewise, the City had a smaller population of younger and older residents, as seen in the Figure below.

Figure X: Age Distribution Comparison to State of New York, United States



Source: 2021 Esri Business Analyst

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Table X below demonstrates the change in age groups amongst residents. From 2010 to 2021, the age group with the most change was 45 to 49 years – growing 1.83% in this age cohort. The population that experienced the largest decline in population was 60 to 64 year olds, with a 1.67% decrease.

Table X: Age Group Distribution from 2010 to 2021

	2010	2021	% Change
Age 0-4	5.22%	4.63%	0.59%
Age 5-9	5.39%	4.75%	0.64%
Age 10-14	5.66%	5.36%	0.30%
Age 15-19	6.25%	5.27%	0.98%
Age 20-24	6.02%	6.04%	-0.02%
Age 25-29	7.07%	7.77%	-0.70%
Age 30-34	7.48%	7.46%	0.02%
Age 35-39	7.29%	7.02%	0.27%
Age 40-44	8.38%	7.39%	0.99%
Age 45-49	9.26%	7.43%	1.83%
Age 50-54	8.59%	7.48%	1.11%
Age 55-59	6.76%	7.37%	-0.61%
Age 60-64	4.90%	6.57%	-1.67%
Age 65-69	3.58%	5.31%	-1.73%
Age 70-74	2.52%	3.52%	-1.00%
Age 75-79	2.16%	2.88%	-0.72%
Age 80-84	1.69%	1.75%	-0.06%
Age 85+	1.79%	2.01%	-0.22%

Source: Esri Business Analyst

### Diversity in Beacon

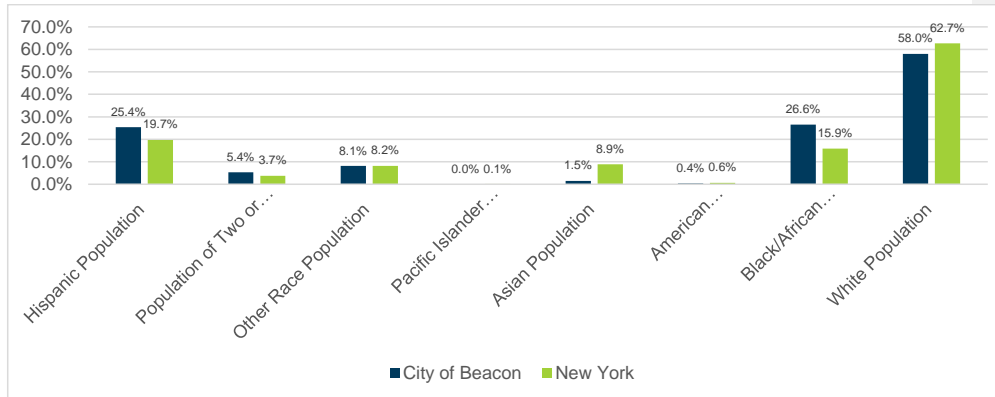
Understanding the race and ethnic character of Beacon residents is important because it is reflective of the diverse history, values, and heritage of the community. The City of Beacon has a population where 25.4% identify as Hispanic origin, compared to the State of New York (19.7%). Black and African American populations make up over a quarter of the population (26.6%) while White or Caucasian residents make up 58% in 2021. Over 5% identified as a population of two or more races and 8.1% identified as a race not identified in the U.S. Census.

Figure X: Race/Ethnicity in City of Beacon

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Source: Esri Business Analyst,

### People with Disabilities

**13.4%**

Live with a Disability

Source: American Community Survey

According to the American Community Survey, 13.4% of Beacon’s population in 2020 experienced living with some sort of hearing difficulty, vision difficulty, cognitive difficulty, ambulatory difficulty, self-care difficulty, and/or independent living difficulty. This is lower than the state at 11.6% but still reaffirms the importance of inclusive programming and ADA transition plans for parks and facilities.

Types of disabilities within the City of Beacon:

- Hearing difficulty – 3.2%
- Vision difficulty – 1.8%
- Cognitive difficulty – 4.5%
- Ambulatory difficulty – 6.5%
- Self-care difficulty – 2.1%
- Independent living difficulty – 6.5%

### Health and Wellness

Understanding the status of a community’s health can help inform policies related to recreation and fitness. Robert Wood Johnson Foundation’s County Health Rankings and Roadmaps provided annual insight on the general health of national, state, and county populations. Dutchess County, home to the City of Beacon, is ranked among the healthiest counties in New York; in 2020, it ranked 15th out of 62 New York Counties for Health Outcomes. Figure X below provides additional information regarding the County’s health data as it may relate to parks, recreation, and community services. The strengths indicated below are those areas where Dutchess County ranked higher than top U.S. performers or the

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State of New York. The areas to explore are those where the County ranked lower than the State or top U.S. performers.

Figure X: Dutchess County Health Rankings Overview



Source: Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's County Health Rankings and Roadmaps

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