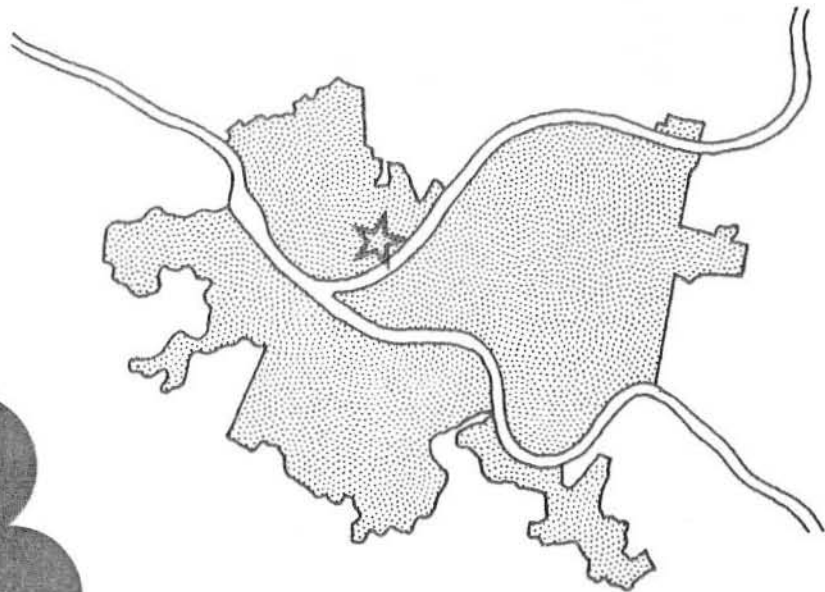


# a community profile of *east* *north side*



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## PREFACE

One thing that citizens need if they are to take part in planning for their neighborhoods is up-to-date information about their neighborhoods. This booklet is an attempt by the Pittsburgh Department of City Planning to present information, primarily from the United States Census of Population and Housing, for use by citizens and community groups. Unfortunately, census material is not perfect; it may not have all the information that you need and it may not be in the most useful form for your purposes. It is, however, the best that is available.

Where possible, comparisons have been made between 1960 and 1970 characteristics, and between neighborhood and city-wide values, in order to better understand present neighborhood conditions.

The material has been divided into four sections, Population, Housing, Socio-Economic characteristics and Community Facilities. Although most of the information comes from the 1970 Census of Population and Housing, the statistics on building permits (new, and alterations) come from the city's Bureau of Building Inspection; the crime data was compiled by the Bureau of Police; and the welfare data was provided by the Allegheny County Board of Public Assistance. The summary tapes from which much of the census information was extracted were provided by the Southwestern Pennsylvania Regional Planning Commission.

## **EAST NORTH SIDE**

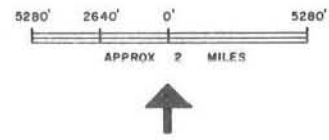
East North Side forms the eastern part of the lower North Side. A flat area at the base of Troy Hill and Spring Hill, it falls in census tracts 2301 and 2302, and is generally bounded by the hillsides on the north, the railroad tracks on the south, Vinial Street on the east and Cedar Avenue and West Park on the west.

East North Side is predominantly a residential neighborhood with scattered small industrial uses and a major shopping district on East Ohio Street. The housing stock is old and very densely developed.

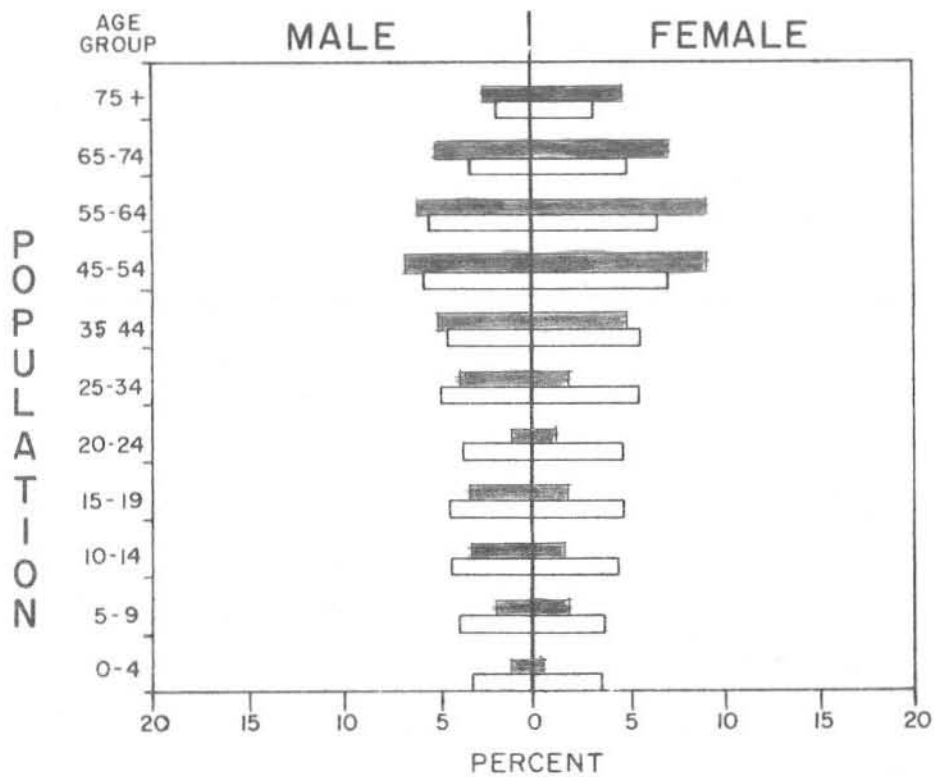
Current residents number about 6100, a population drop of 31% since 1960, due primarily to highway acquisition between East Street and Madison Avenue. It is an older neighborhood with many people of German and Austrian heritage still remaining. In fact, it has one of the last German Clubs still operating in the City.



— CENSUS TRACT OUTLINE  
 — NEIGHBORHOOD OUTLINE



## AGE - SEX COMPOSITION



NEIGHBORHOOD  
 PITTSBURGH

Source: U. S. CENSUS 1970

### AGE-SEX COMPOSITION, 1970

According to the 1970 Census, the greatest portion of East North Side's population falls in the age 45-54 category, the smallest being the under 5 age group. Citywide, more people are found in the age 45-54 group than in any other; the age 75 and older category is the smallest.

### POPULATION CHANGE, 1960-1970

The population of East North Side has changed from 8,948 in 1960 to 6,119 in 1970, representing a 31.6% change. This compares to an average citywide change of -13.9%, where population declined from 604,332 in 1960 to 520,117 in 1970.

### FAMILIES BY TYPE AND PRESENCE OF CHILDREN LESS THAN 18 YEARS OLD

The predominant family-type in this neighborhood is the husband-wife-family - no children less than 18 category. The highest portion of families with incomes below poverty level is the female head - children less than 18 group.

### MEDIAN AGE, 1970

The median age for the neighborhood is 46.7 years; for the city it is 33.6 years.

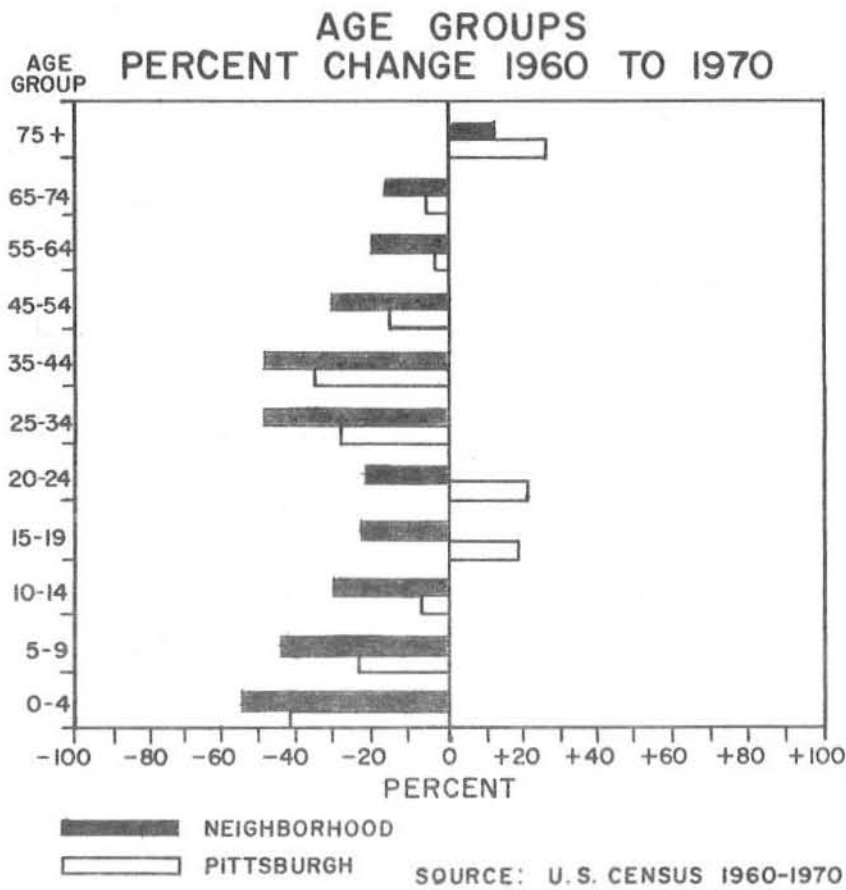
### AGE-GROUP CHANGE, 1960-1970

One age bracket increased in population between 1960 and 1970 in the neighborhood. For the city, population in the 15-19, 20-24, and the 75 years and older age groups increased.

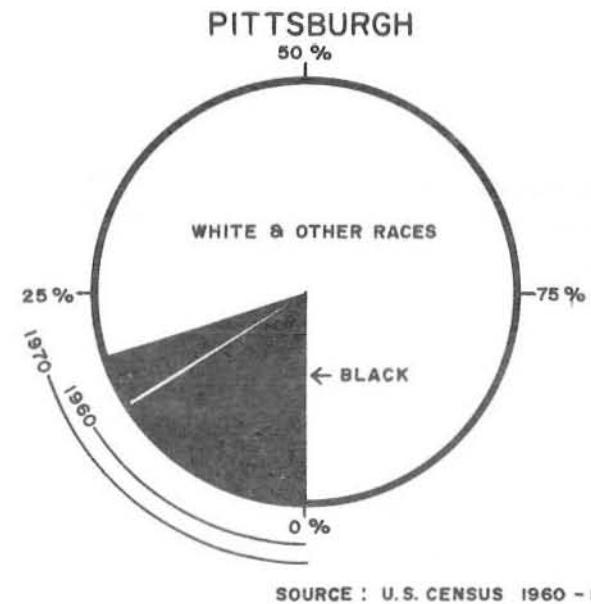
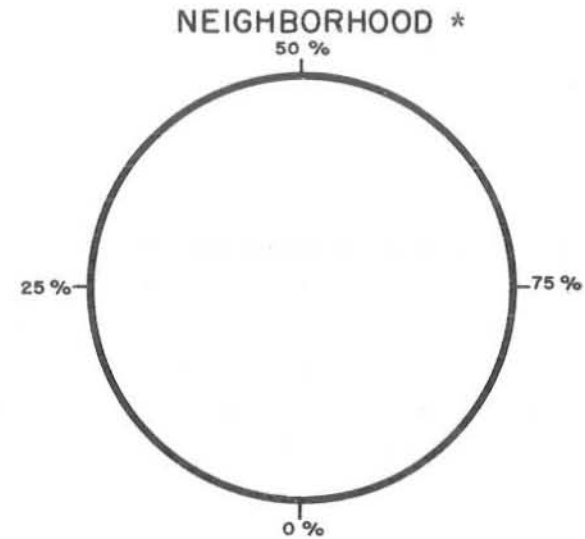


**RACE**

Black population in East North Side constituted 1.5% of its 1960 population, and 1.3% of its 1970 population. For Pittsburgh, the Black population increased from 16.7% in 1960, to 20.2% in 1970.



**BLACK POPULATION, 1960 - 1970**



POPULATION

\* Black population less than 2% in 1960 and 1970

**EDUCATION: YEARS OF SCHOOL COMPLETED BY PERSONS  
25 YEARS AND OVER, 1960-1970**

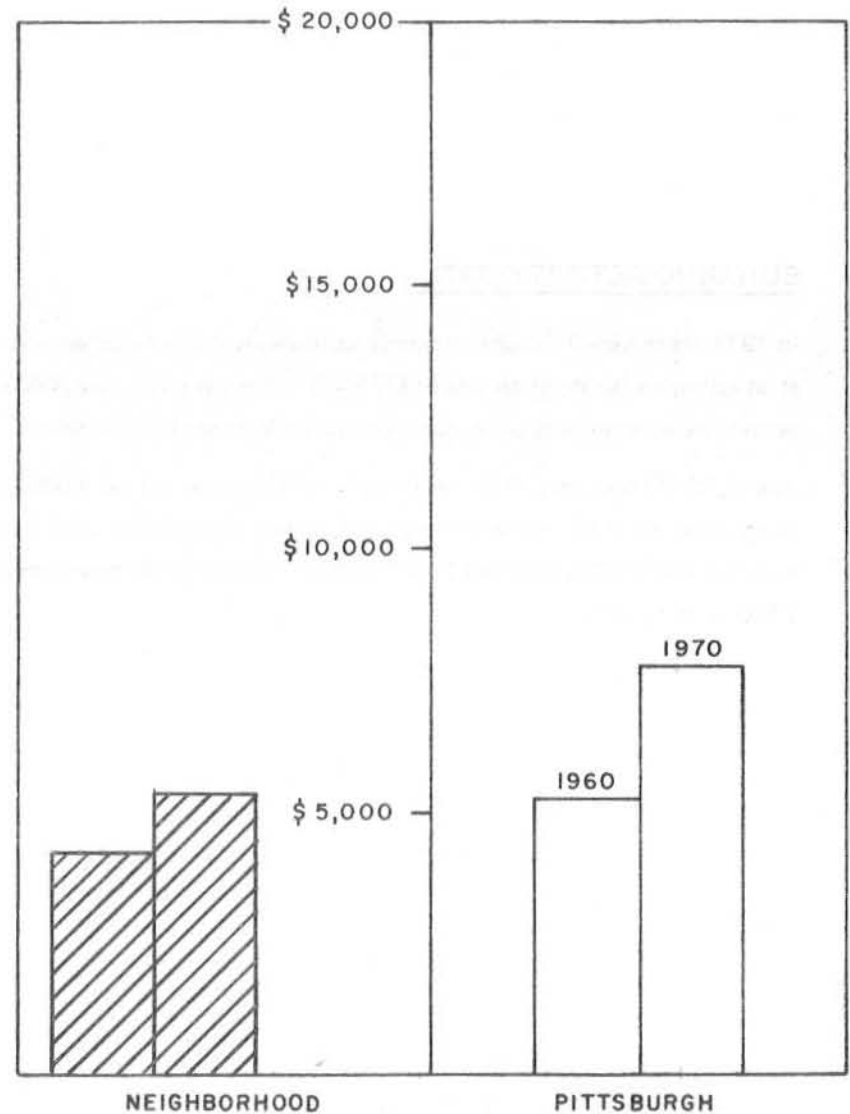
The 1970 Census indicates that, of those local residents, aged 25 and over, the largest percentage have attained a elementary education. In 1960, the largest percentage had attained a elementary education.

**SCHOOL YEARS  
COMPLETED BY PERSONS  
25 YEARS & OVER  
1960-1970**

	1960	PERCENT OF TOTAL	1970	PERCENT OF TOTAL
NO SCHOOLING	146	2.5	102	2.4
ELEMENTARY (1-8 YRS.)	3482	58.7	2221	52.8
HIGH SCHOOL (1-3 YRS.)	1330	22.4	951	22.6
HIGH SCHOOL (4 YRS.)	769	13.0	745	17.7
COLLEGE (1-3 YRS.)	108	1.8	109	2.6
COLLEGE (4 YRS.)	97	1.6	80	1.9
TOTAL	5932	100.0	4208	100.0

SOURCE: U.S. CENSUS 1960-1970

**MEDIAN FAMILY INCOME, 1960 - 1970**

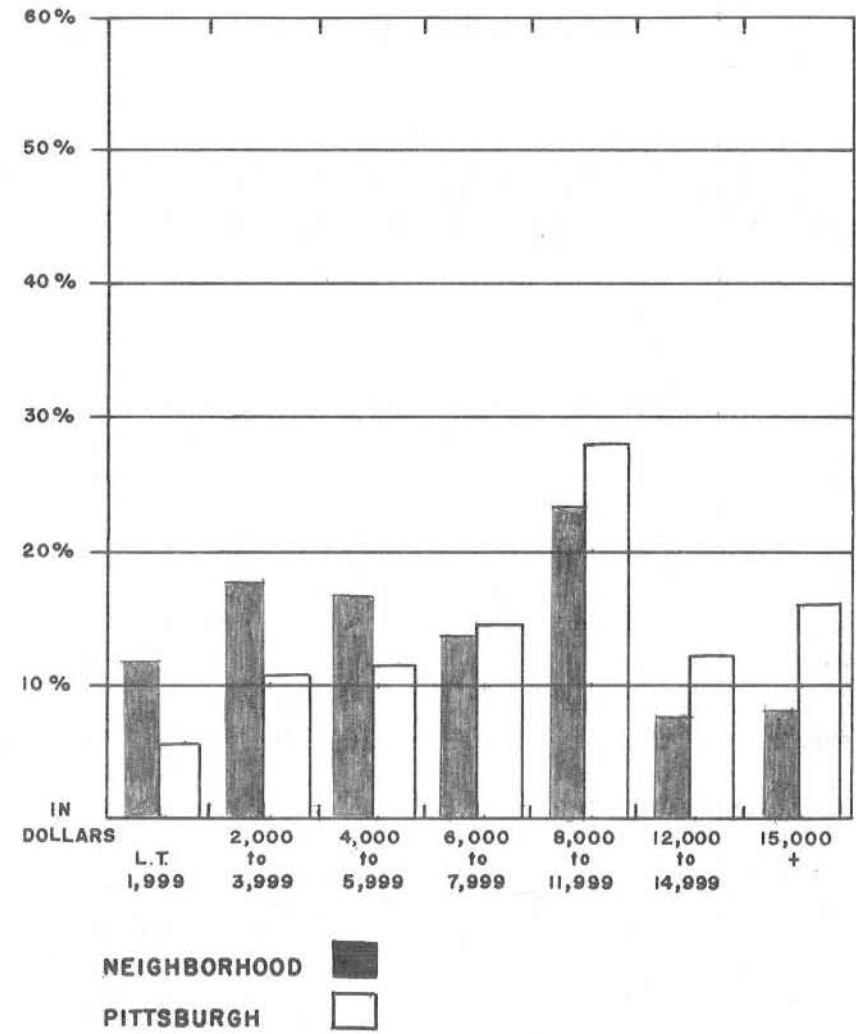


SOURCE: U.S. CENSUS 1960-1970

**PERCENT DISTRIBUTION  
OF FAMILY INCOME  
BY INCOME RANGES  
( IN DOLLARS )**

**INCOME, MEDIAN FAMILY INCOME, 1960-1970**

The median income for East North Side families was \$4,272 in 1960. In 1970, the median family income was \$6,357, representing a ten year change of 48.8%. Citywide, the median family income rose from \$5,605 in 1960, to \$8,800 in 1970, a 57% change.



SOURCE: U. S. CENSUS 1970

**OCCUPATION: MAJOR OCCUPATION CLASSIFICATIONS  
OF PERSONS 14 YEARS AND OVER, 1970**

The largest percentage of people in this neighborhood work in craftsmen-foremen positions. This group constitutes 45% of the employed population.

The largest percentage of people in the city work in sales & clerical positions, which represents 28% of the total population.

**MAJOR OCCUPATION CLASSIFICATIONS  
OF PERSONS 14 YEARS AND OVER, 1970**

	PROFESSIONAL, TECHNICAL, MANAGERIAL, ADMINISTRATIVE	SALES AND CLERICAL	CRAFTSMEN, OPERATIVES, FOREMEN	LABORERS, SERVICES, HOUSEHOLD WORKERS	TOTAL EMPLOYED
MALE	99	169	550	359	1177
FEMALE	68	295	102	337	802
TOTAL	167	464	652	696	1979
PERCENT OF TOTAL	7.42	23.43	45.41	35.15	100.00

SOURCE: U. S. CENSUS 1970

**PERSONS RECEIVING  
PUBLIC ASSISTANCE IN 1972**

ASSISTANCE TYPE	NUMBER OF RECIPIENTS	PERCENT OF TOTAL POPULATION
OLD AGE	190	3.10
BLIND	13	.21
AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN	747	12.20
GENERAL	385	6.29
AID TO DISABLED	129	2.10
TOTAL	1464	23.90

SOURCE: DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WELFARE  
ALLEGHENY COUNTY  
BOARD OF ASSISTANCE  
MARCH 2, 1973

## ARRESTS FOR MAJOR CRIMES IN 1972

CRIME	NUMBER OF ARRESTS	CRIME RATE
MURDER	0	.00
RAPE	4	.07
ROBBERY	57	.93
ASSAULT	102	1.67
BURGLARY	89	1.45
LARCENY	125	2.04
TOTAL	377	6.16

### PUBLIC ASSISTANCE CASES, 1972

Of the neighborhood's total population, 24% received public assistance in 1972. Citywide, 14% of the population received some kind of assistance in the same year.

### ARRESTS FOR MAJOR CRIMES, 1972

The crime rate listed here represents the number of arrests that were made for major crimes in 1972 as a ratio of the total population of the area. Major crimes are defined as murder, rape, robbery, assault, burglary, and larceny. In 1972, the crime rate for this neighborhood was 6.16; for Pittsburgh, the rate was 4.71.

SOURCE: ANNUAL REPORT OF MAJOR CRIMES  
CITY OF PITTSBURGH  
POLICE DEPARTMENT, 1972

COMMUNITY FACILITIES

Community facilities which serve East North Side are not limited to those located within the confines of East North Side. Although there are many community facilities in the general vicinity, this list is limited to police and fire stations, public libraries, public schools, City of Pittsburgh recreational facilities (indoor and outdoor), major hospitals, and major colleges and universities.

Community facilities for this neighborhood include:

East North Side

Public Facilities

No. 42, 43 and 46 Fire Stations

No. 9 Police Station

Carnegie Library - North Side Branch

Recreation

Martin Luther King Ballfield court games and playground

Schiller Elementary School play yards

Tripoli Street Tot Lot

Schools

Schiller Elementary School

Latimer Junior High School

Allegheny High School

Health

Allegheny General Hospital

Divine Providence Hospital

St. Johns Hospital

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