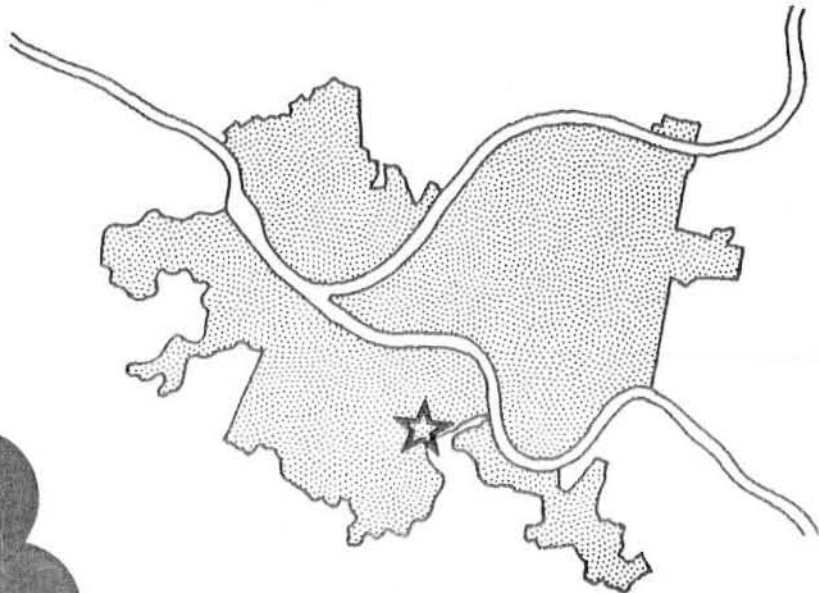


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PREFACE

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.

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St. Clair Village is a public housing community located between Arlington and Carrick. This area is census tract 1605.

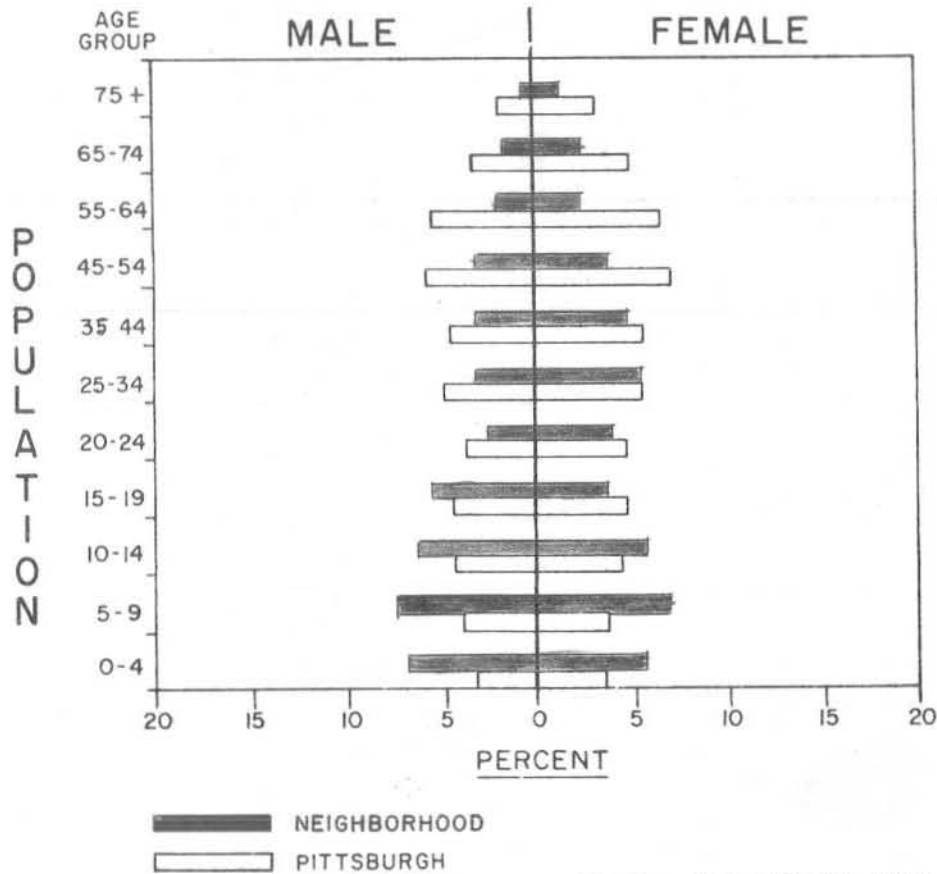


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- CENSUS TRACT OUTLINE
- NEIGHBORHOOD OUTLINE



AGE - SEX COMPOSITION



Source: U. S. CENSUS 1970

AGE-SEX COMPOSITION, 1970

According to the 1970 Census, the greatest portion of St. Clair's population falls in the age 5-9 category, the smallest being the 75 & over 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 St. Clair has changed from 6,158 in 1960 to 5,203 in 1970, representing a -15.6% 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 - 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 18.3 years; for the city it is 33.6 years.

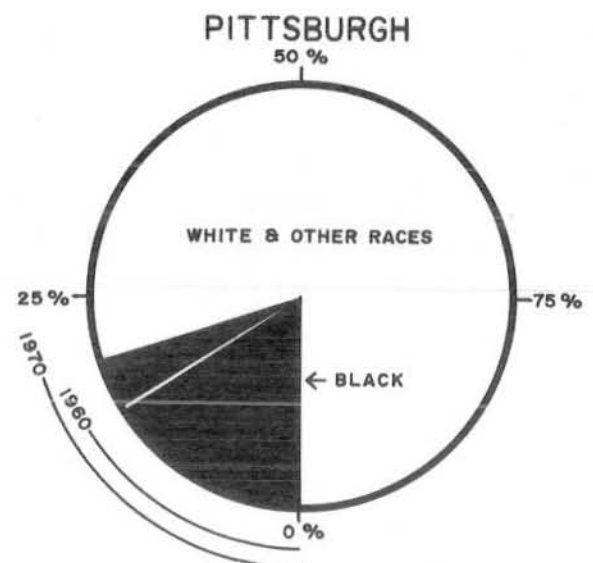
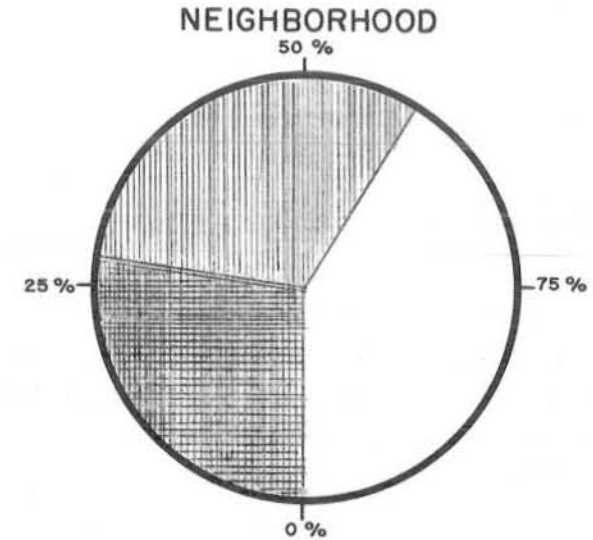
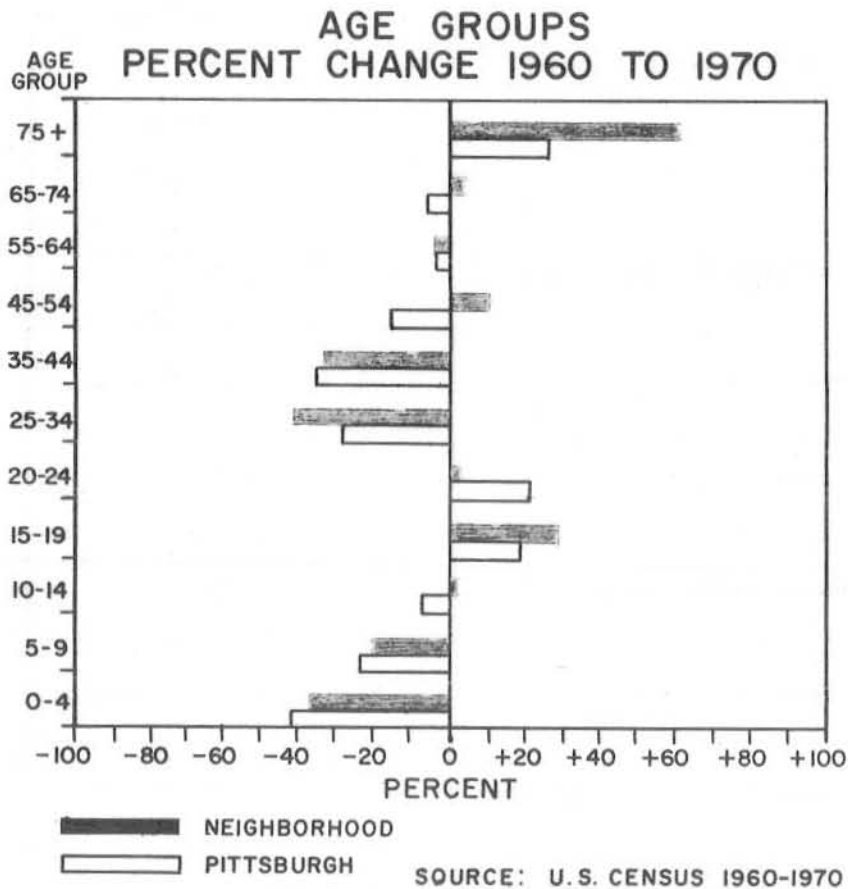
AGE-GROUP CHANGE, 1960-1970

Six age brackets 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 St. Clair constituted 25.4% of its 1960 population, and 59.9% of its 1970 population. For Pittsburgh, the Black population increased from 16.7% in 1960, to 20.2% in 1970.

BLACK POPULATION, 1960 - 1970



SOURCE: U. S. CENSUS 1960 - 1970

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OCCUPANCY STATUS

In 1960, total housing units numbered 1,549; in 1970, 1,526, representing a -1.5% change. A total of 21.7% were owner-occupied in 1970, compared to 47.2% citywide. In 1960, 48 units were vacant, as compared to 32 vacancies in 1970. This represents a 2.0% vacancy rate for 1970 as compared to the city's 6.2%. Overcrowded units comprised 28.3% of the 1960, and 14.5% of the 1970 neighborhood housing stock.

MOBILITY

For the neighborhood, 1,738 people over five years of age have changed their place of residence between 1965 and 1970. This represents 38% of its population. For the city, 159,774 changed their place of residency during those years, which is 33% of the total population.

OCCUPANCY STATUS 1960 - 1970

	1960	1970	PERCENT CHANGE
TOTAL HOUSING UNITS	1549	1526	- 1.5
TOTAL OCCUPIED UNITS	1501	1494	- .5
OWNER OCCUPIED	349	332	- 4.9
PERCENT OWNER OCCUPIED	22.5	21.7	
RENTER OCCUPIED	1152	1162	+ .9
PERCENT RENTER OCCUPIED	74.3	76.1	
VACANT UNITS	48	32	- 33.3
PERCENT VACANT	3.0	2.0	
MEDIAN MARKET VALUE	\$ 9392	\$10,880	+ 15.8
MEDIAN GROSS RENT	\$ 51	\$ 74	+ 45.1
PERCENT OVERCROWDED UNITS	28.3	14.5	

SOURCE: U.S. CENSUS 1960 - 1970

BUILDING ACTIVITY, 1972

In 1972, there were 5 building permit applications in this neighborhood, at an estimated construction cost of \$4,495 . For the entire city, 4,002 permits were issued, accounting for construction in excess of \$53 million.

Also in 1972, there were 0.00 new housing units constructed per 1,000 existing units, and 3.27 alterations per 1,000 units in the neighborhood. City-wide 3.6 new housing units and 16.2 alterations were undertaken per every 1,000 existing units.

BUILDING PERMITS ISSUED IN 1972

	NUMBER OF PERMITS	ESTIMATED COST
NEW HOUSING UNITS		
OTHER NEW STRUCTURES		
EXTENSIONS & ADDITIONS		
ALTERATIONS	5	\$ 4,495
TOTAL	5	\$ 4,495

SOURCE : BUREAU OF BUILDING INSPECTION

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

The largest percentage of people in this neighborhood work in sales & clerical positions. This group constitutes 32% 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	26	132	322	177	657
FEMALE	42	220	27	160	449
TOTAL	68	352	349	337	1106
PERCENT OF TOTAL	6.14	31.82	31.53	30.45	100.00

SOURCE: U. S. CENSUS 1970

**PERSONS RECEIVING
PUBLIC ASSISTANCE IN 1972**

ASSISTANCE TYPE	NUMBER OF RECIPIENTS	PERCENT OF TOTAL POPULATION
OLD AGE	52	.99
BLIND	2	.03
AID TO DEPENDENT CHILDREN	2615	50.25
GENERAL	62	1.19
AID TO DISABLED	34	.65
TOTAL	2765	53.11

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	1	.02
RAPE	6	.12
ROBBERY	19	.37
ASSAULT	110	2.11
BURGLARY	130	2.50
LARCENY	62	1.19
TOTAL	328	6.31

PUBLIC ASSISTANCE CASES, 1972

Of the neighborhood's total population, 53% 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 6.31 ; 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 St. Clair are not limited to those located within the confines of St. Clair. 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:

St. Clair

Public Facilities

Police Station No. 7
Fire Station No. 22

Recreation

Phillip Murray Field
Housing Authority Rec. Area

Public Schools

Phillip Murray
Carrick High School

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