

Communities Speak Fall 2021 Survey: Queens



Using Microdata to Understand the Secondary Impacts of Covid-19
for Applied Policymaking in New York City

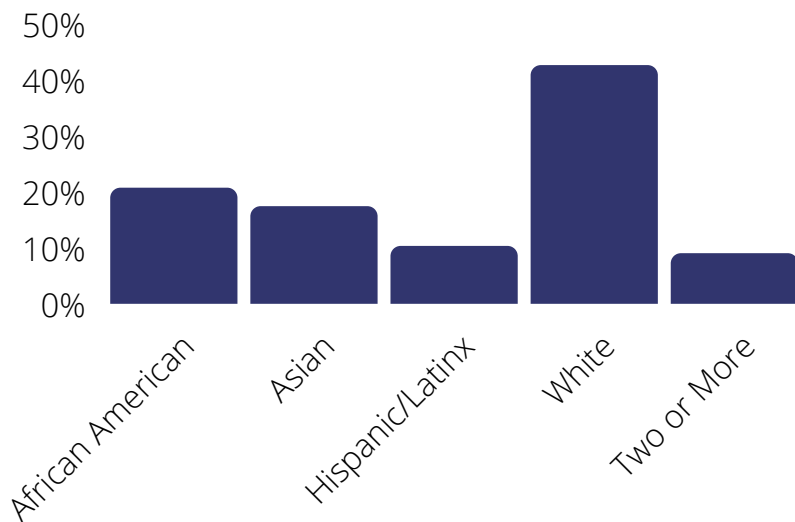
BACKGROUND

There are significant gaps in knowledge on the secondary impacts of COVID-19, particularly on low-income families and small businesses. Without accurate data, policy makers are unable to address its socio-economic impacts effectively.

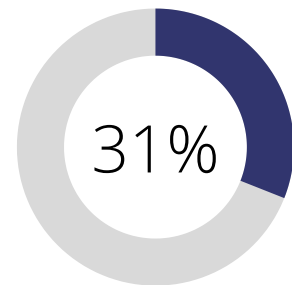
Communities Speak collected microdata between November 2021 and February 2022. Survey data collection enabled us to analyze the social, economic and policy impacts of COVID-19 and its aftermath, providing invaluable insights into the challenges and potential for resilience of communities in New York City.

QUEENS RESPONDENTS

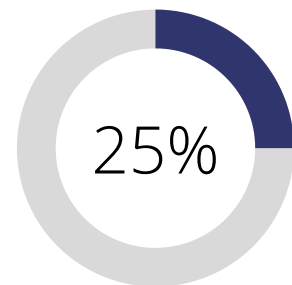
Race



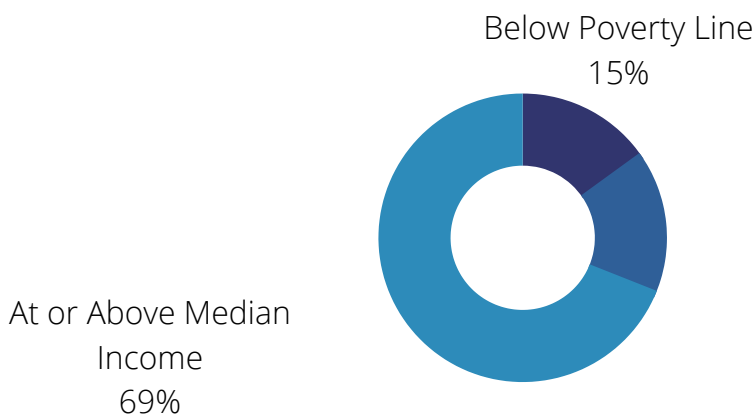
Households with Children



Households with Older Adults



Income



Below 2020 Median
Income
16%

Financial Difficulty

Queens residents experienced food insecurity and had difficulty paying rent and bills.

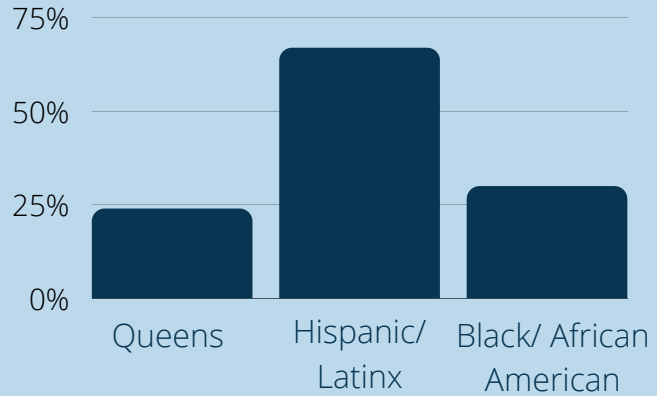
Difficulty Paying Rent

- Queens: 18%
- Hispanic/Latinx: 47%
- Black/African American: 30%

Difficulty Paying Bills

- Queens: 24%
- Hispanic/Latinx: 53%
- Black/African American: 37%

Food Insecurity



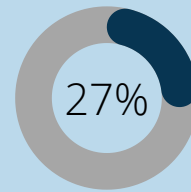
Childcare

Queens residents reported difficulties finding and affording childcare.

Can't Find Childcare When Needed

- Queens: 26%
- Black/African American: 33%
- Asian: 33%

Can't **afford** childcare



- Hispanic/Latinx: 33%
- Asian: 33%
- Black/African American: 40%

Mental Health

Nearly 80% of Queens respondents reported mental health challenges.



78% of respondents reported experiencing at least one mental health challenge

Mental health challenges were even more common among Black and Asian respondents

- Hispanic/Latinx: 57%
- Black/African American: 83%
- Asian: **96%**

Queens residents rated city government higher than residents of other boroughs on average.