How far have we come?

Equality and inequality in the Seattle Area today



These charts and maps show:

- Job and income distributions
- Educational levels
- Residential distributions
- Homeownership rates and values

Based on U.S. Census Bureau data, mostly from the 2010 ACS survey

How far have we come?

Gallup survey 2011

77% of whites believed "that blacks have as good a chance as white people in your community to get any kind of job for which they are qualified."

Only 39% of African-Americans agreed.

Who is right?



Outcomes are far from equal

Race, income, education in Washington State 2010

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Native American	88,735	12%	36%	25%	\$33,100
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Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 2010

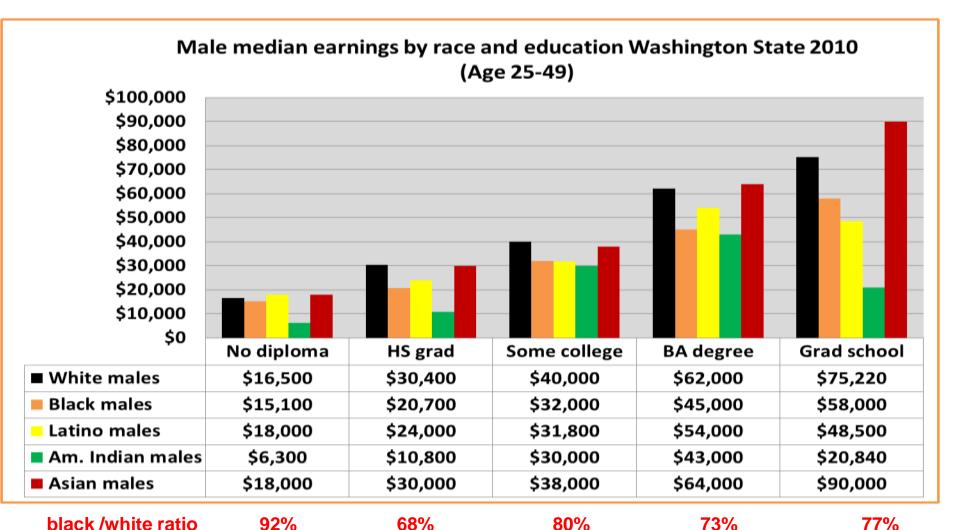
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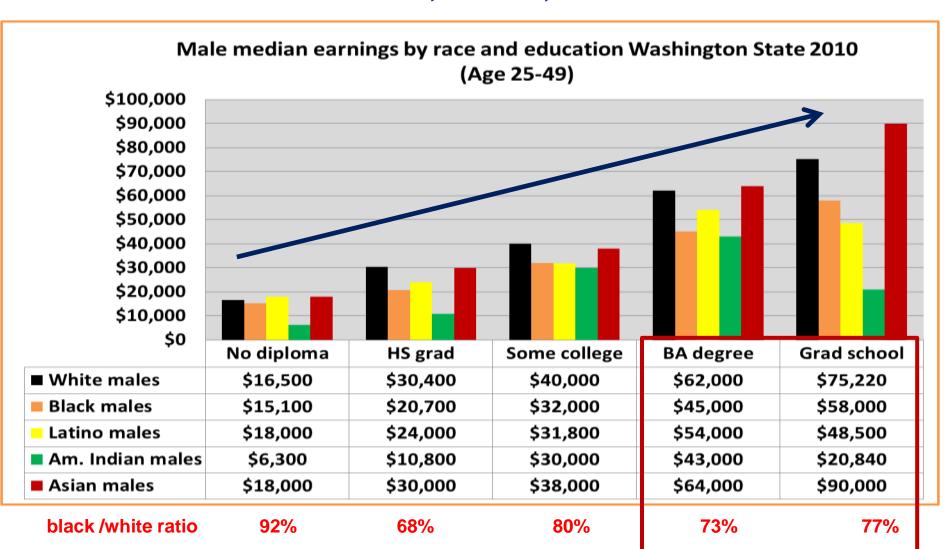
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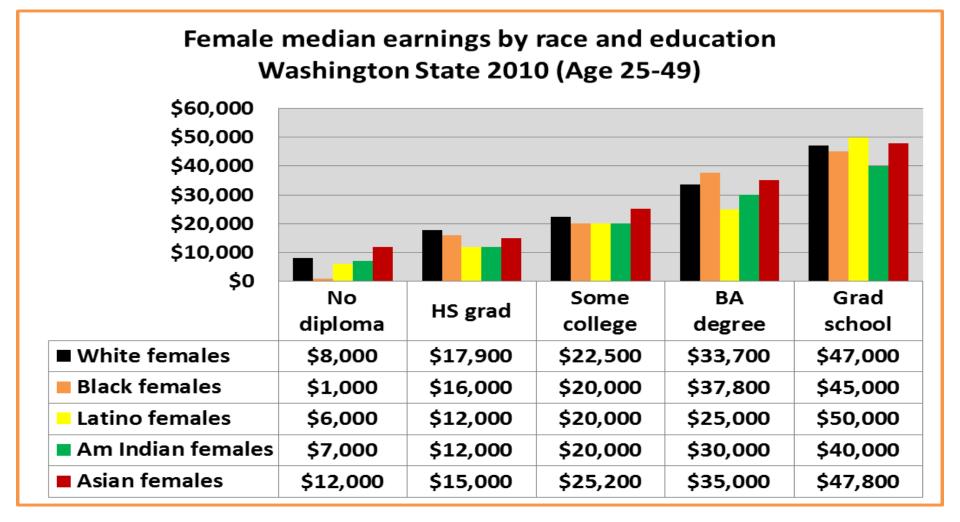
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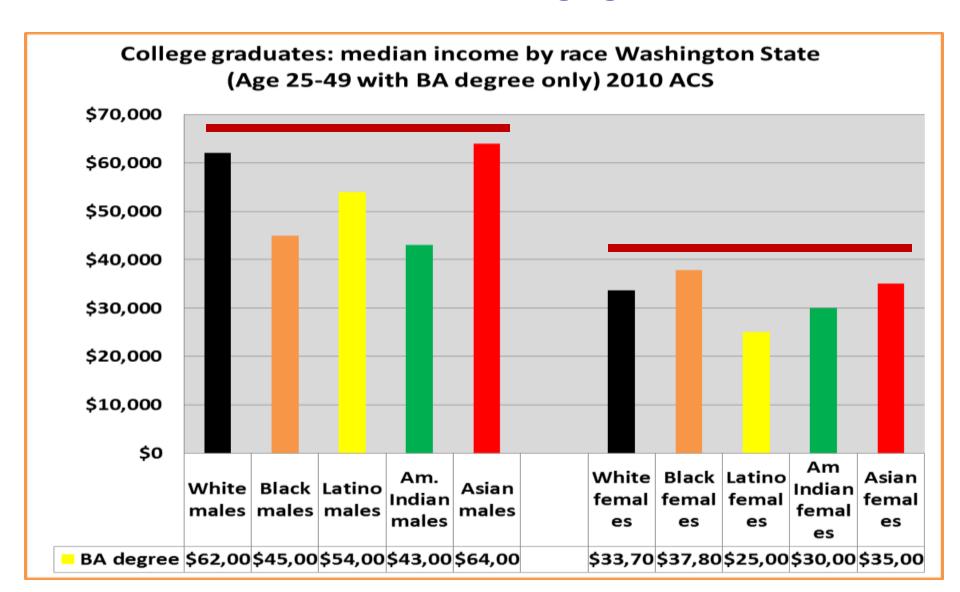


Female incomes are more equal



black /white ratio 89% 112% 96%

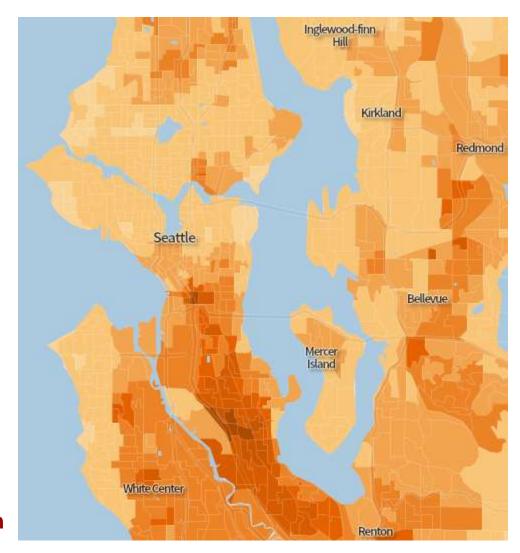
Male and female college graduates



Housing: partial desegregation

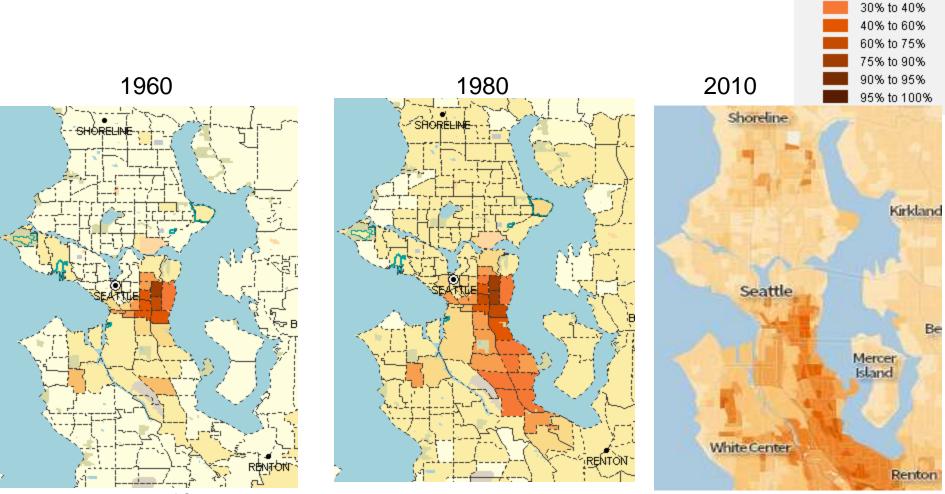
In 1968, the federal government passed a law banning housing discrimination. Under pressure, the city council passed a similar Fair Housing ordinance.

Change came slowly. It was not until the 1980s that desegregation began, and today progress is still uneven.



2010 nonwhite population distribution

African American Residential Distributions



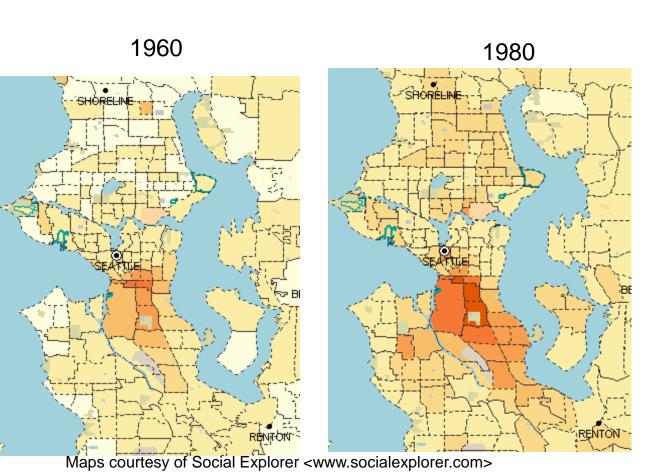
% Black

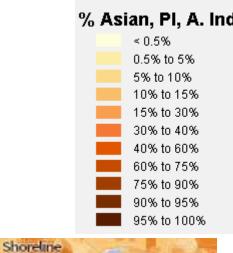
< 0.5% 0.5% to 5% 5% to 10%

10% to 15% 15% to 30%

Maps courtesy of Social Explorer < www.socialexplorer.com>

Asian American residential distributions

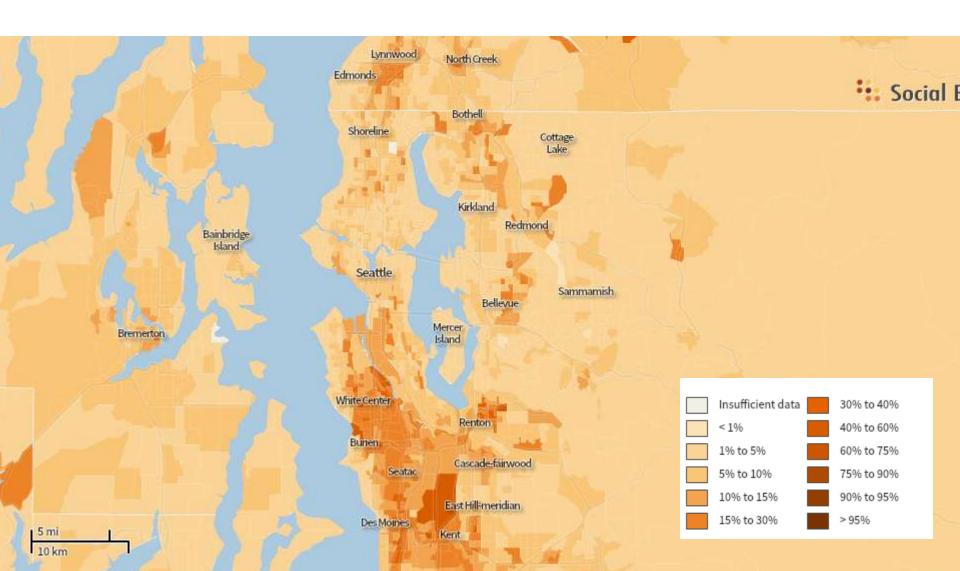


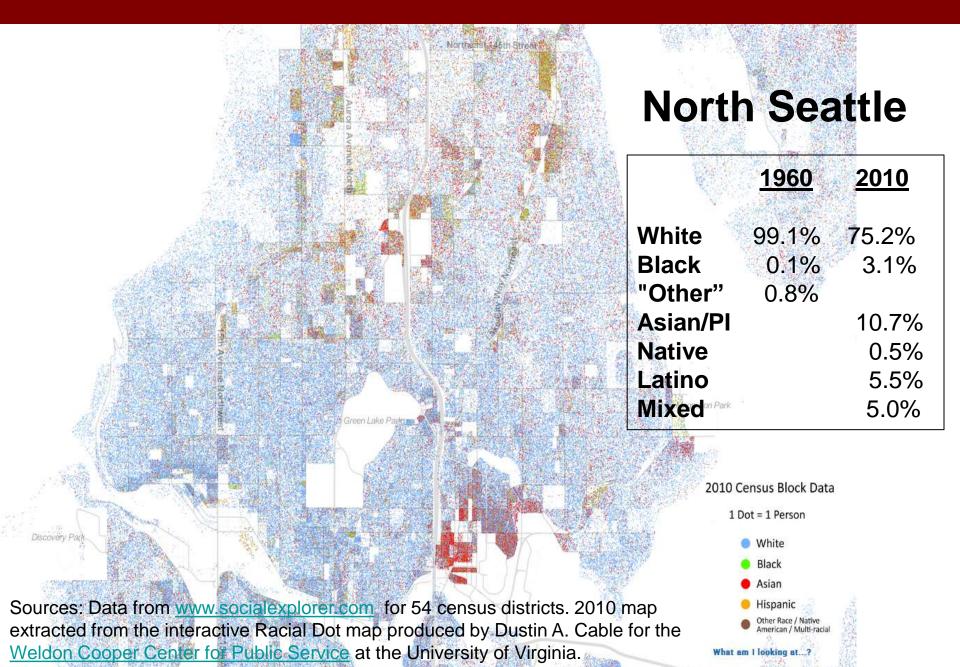


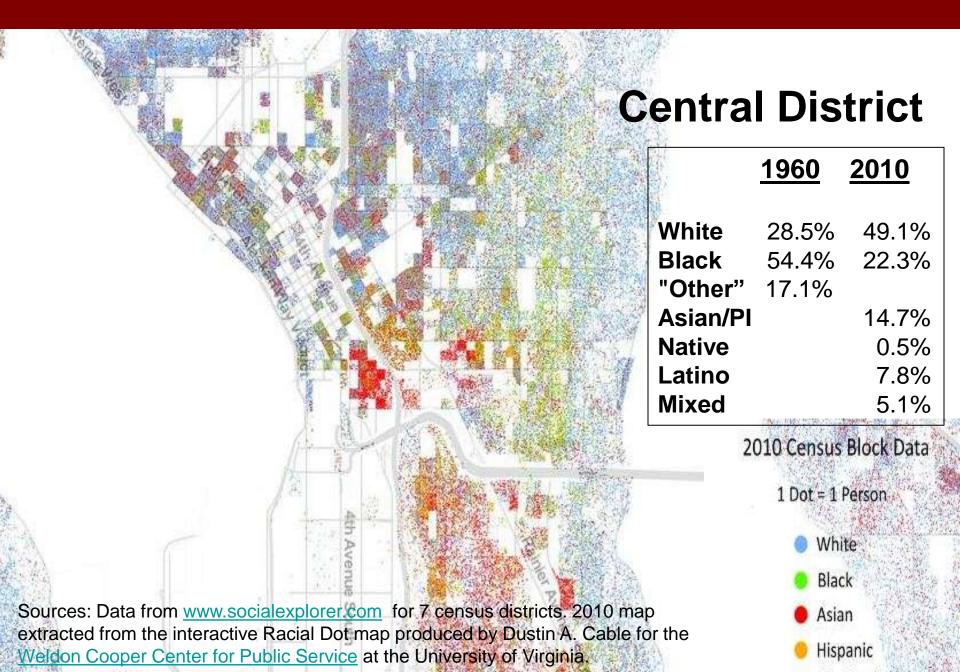


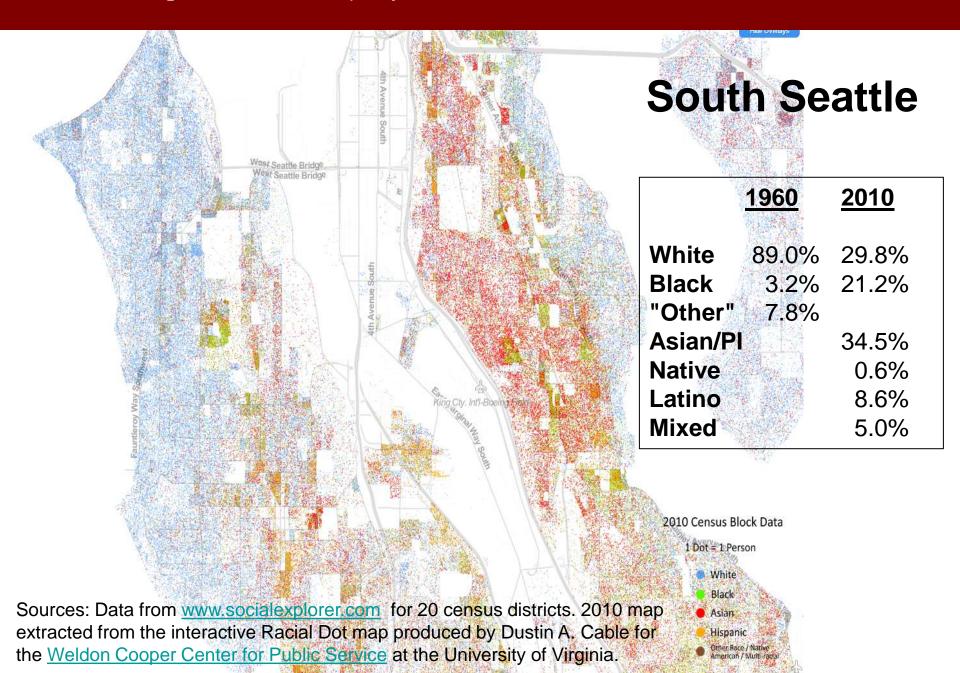
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Latino residential distribution 2010









Lingering housing discrimination



Discrimination has been reduced but has not ended.

• A 2011 fair housing test by the Seattle Office of Civil Rights found discriminatory behavior in 69% of the rental properties tested. (26 properties randomly chosen by zip codes using white and African American testers)

• Discrimination by lenders and mortgage insurance brokers is also sometimes a factor, potentially raising costs paid by homeowners of color.

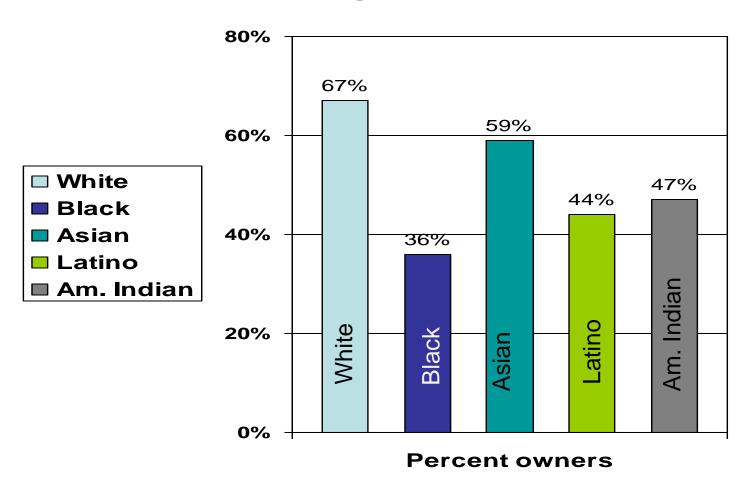
Why history matters: The "wealth effect" of yesterday's segregation



 Homeownership is the main way that Americans build family wealth.

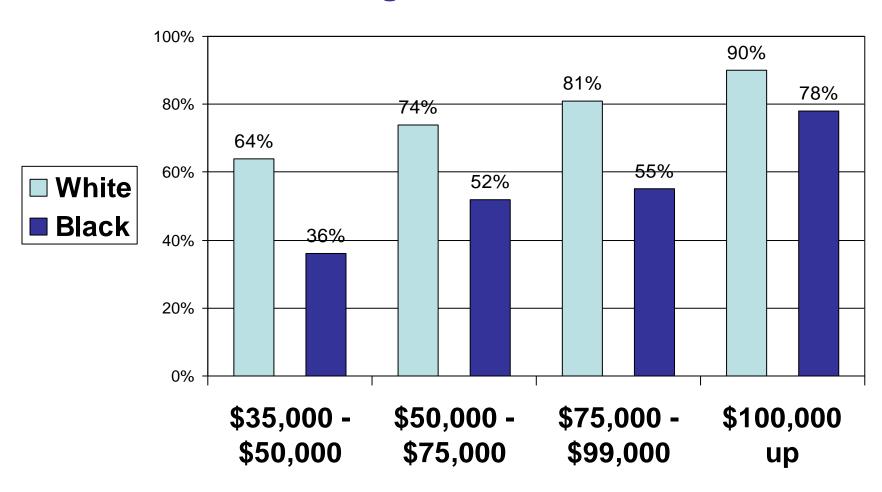
- Segregation suppressed homeownership and wealth building opportunities for African Americans and Asian Americans who had trouble obtaining loans because of "Redlining" and faced artificially high prices.
- Even as restrictions have eased, families of color are less likely to own homes and their homes are worth less on average than white families who have been accumulating real estate wealth for generations.

Homeownership rates by race, Washington State 2010

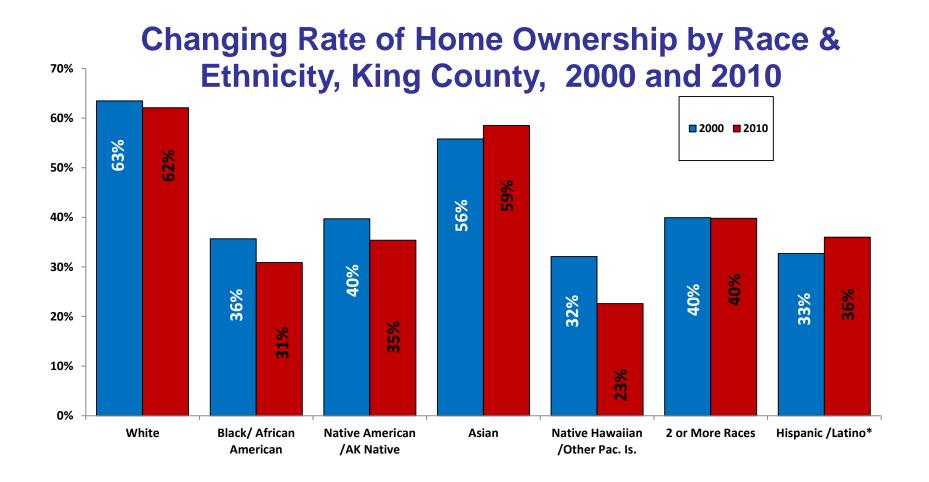


Source: U.S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 2010

White-Black homeownership rates by family income Washington State 2010



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Data Source: Tables B25003A-I, 2010 ACS; Table H014, Census 2000

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*Hispanics may be of any race

Courtesy: Public Health – Seattle & King County

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