

Tapestry™ Segmentation

Esri's **Tapestry™ Segmentation** system divides U.S. residential areas into 65 distinctive segments based on socioeconomic and demographic characteristics to provide an accurate, detailed description of U.S. neighborhoods. **Tapestry Segmentation** can help you to identify your best markets, find the most profitable consumer types, tailor marketing messages to fit your audience, and define product and service preferences. Here's a brief description of a Tapestry segment.

04—Boomburbs



Segment Code—04

Segment Name—Boomburbs

LifeMode Summary Group—L1 High Society

Urbanization Summary Group—U5 Urban Outskirts I

Demographic

The newest additions to the suburbs, these communities are home to busy, affluent young families. Both the neighborhoods and the families are growing. *Boomburbs* is the fastest-growing market in the United States; the population has been growing at a rate of 4.51 percent annually since 2000. It is also home to one of the highest concentrations of young families with children. The median age is 33.8 years; one-fifth of *Boomburbs* residents are between 35 and 44 years of age. There is little ethnic diversity in the population; most of the residents are white.

Socioeconomic

The *Boomburbs* market includes one of the highest concentrations of two-income households, complemented by one of the highest rates of labor force participation, at 71 percent. Residents are well educated: more than 50 percent of the population aged 25 years and older hold a bachelor's or graduate degree. They work primarily in management, professional, and sales occupations. The median household income is \$110,681, more than double that of the US median.

Residential

The newest developments in growing areas, *Boomburbs* neighborhoods are concentrated in the South, West, and Midwest; the highest state concentrations are found in Texas and California. Approximately three-quarters of the housing units in *Boomburbs* neighborhoods were built after 1989; most are single-family houses. These are the newest developments in growing areas. The homeownership rate is 88 percent, compared to 66 percent for the United States. The median home value of \$282,689 is also high compared to the US median of \$157,913. Commuting links these dual career households with their suburban lifestyle. Many work outside their resident county; 35 percent cross county lines to work (compared to 23 percent for the United States).

Preferences

Residents' product preferences reflect their suburban lifestyle. *Boomburbs* is the top segment for buying household furnishings, toys and games, men's business and casual clothes, big-screen TVs, cars, and trees. This is also the top market to own big-screen TVs, DVD players, digital camcorders, video game systems, and scanners as well as owning or leasing full-size SUVs. Residents own laptop computers, all kinds of software, and two or more cell phones. They are well-insured, holding life insurance policies worth \$500,000 or more. They go online frequently to buy flowers and tickets to sports events, trade and track their investments, do their banking, and make travel plans. Personal computer use by children younger than 18 years is the highest of all the Tapestry segments.

They take family vacations to Disney World, Sea World, and other theme parks. They play tennis and golf, ski, lift weights, and jog. They watch family videos on DVD, attend baseball and basketball games, and go to golf tournaments. They listen to soft contemporary, alternative, sports, and all-talk radio. They read parenting, finance, and business magazines and watch newer sitcoms and dramas on TV.

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