

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.

53—Home Town



Segment Code—53

Segment Name—Home Town

LifeMode Summary Group—L11 Factories and Farms

Urbanization Summary Group—U8 Suburban Periphery II

Demographic

Home Town households are a mix of married-couple families, singles who live alone, and single-parent families. With a median age of 34.5 years, this is a slightly younger market than the United States as a whole. However, one in three is aged 65 years or older. Many families encompass two generations who have lived and worked in the community; their children plan to do the same. Seventy-two percent of the residents are white; 15 percent are black.

Socioeconomic

The median household income is \$33,823; the median net worth is \$20,574. Although 73 percent of households derive income from wages and salaries, some rely on Supplemental Security Income and public assistance for support. The manufacturing, retail trade, and service industry sectors are the primary sources of employment for these residents. Unemployment in this segment is 14.9 percent. Overall, educational attainment is lower for *Home Town* than for the United States. Only 8 percent hold a bachelor's or graduate degree; 31 percent have attended college.

Residential

Change is rare in these low-density, settled neighborhoods, located primarily in the Midwest and South. *Home Town* residents may move from one house to another, but they seldom cross the county line. Seventy-three percent of homes are single-family dwellings, and 11 percent are two-to-four-unit structures. Home ownership is at 58 percent; the median home value is \$63,863. The average gross rent is two-thirds of the US average. Because the population in these neighborhoods hardly grows, new construction is scarce. Most of the housing was built before 1970.

Preferences

Home Town residents savor their quasi-country lifestyle by spending time outdoors fishing and playing football. Indoors, they play video games or watch TV favorites such as courtroom programs, wrestling, or reality shows. Internet access and cell phone use are less important here than in other markets.

They shop for groceries at Kroger, Aldi, and Wal-Mart Supercenters. They buy clothes at discount department stores such as Wal-Mart and Kmart, typically located in small local malls. When they eat out, they go to Bob Evans and Ryan's family restaurants or fast-food places.

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