



Orange County Household Income

This *Orange County Profiles* presents tables and maps based on 1995 income tax data. This data was developed initially as a cooperative project involving the Southern California Association of Governments, the San Diego Association of Governments, Los Angeles County, Los Angeles City, the Center for Demographic Research, and the California State Franchise Board. Software was developed by Los Angeles County's Urban Research Division to extract income tax data from both the Federal (IRS) and State (FTB) tax return files. The extracts contained federal adjusted gross income and the last name and address of the tax filer. These records were geocoded to assign census tracts to each return. One of the products of this project was a file containing aggregates of individual tax records summarized by sixteen categories of income for census tracts. It is important to note that all of this processing was conducted at the State Franchise Tax Board to ensure the confidentiality of the individual records. The files that have been provided to the participating agencies are all in aggregate form.

The Orange County census tract file was further refined to develop a more detailed database. This processing was undertaken by Crag Hulse as part of a graduate level directed research project at California State University, Long Beach. Using both Geographic Information System technology and a proprietary file of block level income data, the 1995 income tax segments were allocated first to blocks and then aggregated to block groups. Thus, this information can reveal the income levels of smaller geographic areas and how they compare relatively to other areas in the County. This *Profiles* presents the data both by jurisdiction as well as by mapping the small-areas of the 1990 Census block group boundaries with 1995 high & low income data.

Jurisdictions

A total of 850,974 households reported income for the 1995 tax year. The California State Department of Finance estimates the number of households for 1995 at 865,212, suggesting that most Orange County households filed income tax returns. The most common range of reported income was in the under \$0 to \$14,999 category. It is important to keep in mind that these figures represent reported adjusted gross income. This category had the largest frequency in each jurisdiction with two exceptions. For Los Alamitos, the \$15,000 - \$29,999 category had the largest frequency, while in Villa Park, the \$150,000 category had the largest frequency.

Table 2 reveals some more telling details about the distribution of income as reported to the IRS by Orange County taxpayers. For the County overall, more than one-half of the households reported their 1995 adjusted gross income to be under \$30,000. This was also the case for thirteen cities. These include Anaheim, Buena Park, Costa Mesa, Fullerton, Garden Grove, Orange, San Clemente, San Juan Capistrano, Santa Ana, Seal Beach, Stanton, Tustin, and Westminster. More than sixty percent of the households in the cities of Anaheim (60.33%), Santa Ana (71.92%), and Stanton (65.95%) reported gross adjusted income below \$30,000. On the other end of the income distribution, 15.33 percent of the households reported income of \$75,000 or greater. Twenty-two of the jurisdictions had a rate above this county average. Villa Park had the highest rate at 49.84% of the households reporting income, followed by Yorba Linda at 30.56%, Newport Beach at 28.89% and Laguna Niguel at 28.23%.

The distribution of the concentration of the low (under \$30,000) households and high (over \$75,000) can be seen on Maps 1 & 2.

Table 1
Reported 1995 Gross Adjusted Income

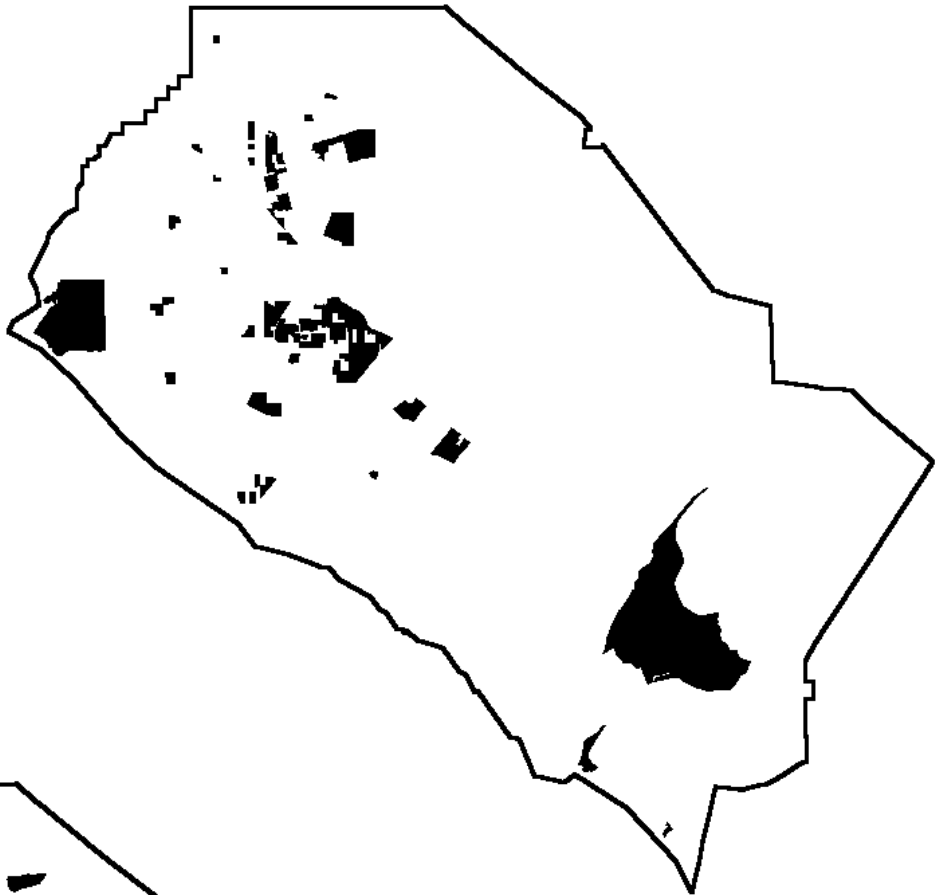
Jurisdiction	\$0 - \$14,999	\$15,000 - \$29,999	\$30,000 - \$44,999	\$45,000 - \$59,999	\$60,000 - \$74,999	\$75,000 - \$99,999	\$100,000 - \$124,999	\$125,000 - \$149,999	\$150,000+	Total Households
Anaheim	33,375	23,675	13,909	9,110	5,763	5,296	1,829	574	1,031	94,562
Brea	2,541	2,349	1,999	1,465	1,321	1,228	539	206	306	11,956
Buena Park	6,079	5,241	3,508	2,539	1,542	1,223	407	36	115	20,691
Costa Mesa	13,235	10,613	6,515	3,839	2,265	2,042	850	350	524	40,233
Cypress	3,480	3,090	2,736	2,245	1,664	1,579	659	240	275	15,968
Dana Point	3,063	2,185	1,548	1,151	821	894	526	244	593	11,025
Fountain Valley	4,029	3,602	2,826	2,386	1,919	2,166	1,054	461	552	18,996
Fullerton	12,402	9,636	6,241	4,263	2,832	2,652	1,183	520	986	40,715
Garden Grove	17,006	12,164	7,597	5,233	3,387	2,642	825	143	126	49,124
Huntington Beach	17,235	14,674	11,142	8,380	6,163	6,571	3,145	1,369	2,355	71,034
Irvine	8,867	6,755	6,174	4,860	3,768	4,275	2,381	1,218	2,177	40,475
La Habra	3,783	3,692	2,839	2,089	1,356	1,232	478	151	190	15,810
La Palma	982	932	787	619	542	562	288	123	115	4,950
Laguna Beach	2,637	1,992	1,421	1,063	734	818	508	275	940	10,388
Laguna Hills	2,244	1,616	1,429	1,153	807	944	581	294	688	9,756
Laguna Niguel	3,488	3,243	2,585	2,074	1,679	2,061	1,199	623	1,257	18,210
Lake Forest	3,747	3,482	3,023	2,537	2,004	2,141	959	447	452	18,792
Los Alamitos	1,026	1,058	784	531	337	331	162	72	115	4,414
Mission Viejo	5,544	4,868	4,309	3,755	3,027	3,682	1,789	759	1,005	28,738
Newport Beach	6,172	5,146	4,026	2,621	1,890	2,083	1,374	940	3,668	27,920
Orange	11,504	8,762	6,056	4,321	3,100	3,009	1,367	583	1,161	39,863
Placentia	3,531	2,956	2,027	1,637	1,349	1,447	603	236	222	14,008
San Clemente	2,798	2,347	1,379	910	668	718	320	151	362	9,651
San Juan Capistrano	2,497	1,726	1,132	794	485	563	293	155	490	8,134
Santa Ana	42,779	25,919	12,722	6,867	3,643	2,479	674	173	263	95,517
Seal Beach	3,017	2,274	1,307	849	639	753	453	206	335	9,834
Stanton	4,145	2,955	1,641	1,070	561	359	33	0	3	10,765
Tustin	5,879	5,171	3,020	1,701	1,029	1,033	424	215	255	18,728
Villa Park	310	233	185	161	183	230	177	129	529	2,137
Westminster	8,603	5,851	3,878	2,997	1,950	1,719	666	179	230	26,074
Yorba Linda	2,542	2,299	2,140	1,981	1,730	2,102	1,189	559	855	15,397
Unincorporated	9,719	9,438	7,274	5,488	4,353	4,607	2,380	1,062	2,786	47,106
Total County	248,259	189,944	128,160	90,687	63,510	63,442	29,316	12,696	24,960	850,974

Table 2
Reported 1995 Adjusted Gross Income

Jurisdiction	\$0 - \$14,999	\$15,000 - \$29,999	\$30,000 - \$44,999	\$45,000 - \$59,999	\$60,000 - \$74,999	\$75,000 - \$99,999	\$100,000 - \$124,999	\$125,000 - \$149,999	\$150,000+	Total	% Under \$30,000	% Over \$75,000
Anaheim	35.29%	25.04%	14.71%	9.63%	6.09%	5.60%	1.93%	0.61%	1.09%	100.00%	60.33%	9.23%
Brea	21.26%	19.65%	16.72%	12.25%	11.05%	10.27%	4.51%	1.72%	2.56%	100.00%	40.91%	19.06%
Buena Park	29.38%	25.33%	16.95%	12.27%	7.45%	5.91%	1.97%	0.17%	0.56%	100.00%	54.71%	8.61%
Costa Mesa	32.90%	26.38%	16.19%	9.54%	5.63%	5.08%	2.11%	0.87%	1.30%	100.00%	59.27%	9.36%
Cypress	21.79%	19.35%	17.13%	14.06%	10.42%	9.89%	4.12%	1.50%	1.72%	100.00%	41.15%	17.24%
Dana Point	27.78%	19.82%	14.04%	10.44%	7.45%	8.11%	4.77%	2.21%	5.37%	100.00%	47.60%	20.47%
Fountain Valley	21.21%	18.96%	14.88%	12.56%	10.10%	11.40%	5.55%	2.43%	2.90%	100.00%	40.17%	22.29%
Fullerton	30.46%	23.67%	15.33%	10.47%	6.96%	6.51%	2.91%	1.28%	2.42%	100.00%	54.13%	13.12%
Garden Grove	34.62%	24.76%	15.47%	10.65%	6.90%	5.38%	1.68%	0.29%	0.26%	100.00%	59.38%	7.61%
Huntington Beach	24.26%	20.66%	15.69%	11.80%	8.68%	9.25%	4.43%	1.93%	3.32%	100.00%	44.92%	18.92%
Irvine	21.91%	16.69%	15.25%	12.01%	9.31%	10.56%	5.88%	3.01%	5.38%	100.00%	38.60%	24.83%
La Habra	23.93%	23.35%	17.96%	13.21%	8.58%	7.79%	3.02%	0.95%	1.20%	100.00%	47.28%	12.97%
La Palma	19.83%	18.83%	15.91%	12.51%	10.94%	11.35%	5.82%	2.49%	2.32%	100.00%	38.67%	21.98%
Laguna Beach	25.38%	19.18%	13.68%	10.23%	7.07%	7.88%	4.89%	2.65%	9.05%	100.00%	44.56%	24.46%
Laguna Hills	23.00%	16.56%	14.65%	11.82%	8.27%	9.68%	5.96%	3.01%	7.05%	100.00%	39.56%	25.70%
Laguna Niguel	19.16%	17.81%	14.20%	11.39%	9.22%	11.32%	6.58%	3.42%	6.90%	100.00%	36.97%	28.23%
Lake Forest	19.94%	18.53%	16.09%	13.50%	10.66%	11.39%	5.10%	2.38%	2.41%	100.00%	38.47%	21.28%
Los Alamitos	23.23%	23.96%	17.75%	12.02%	7.62%	7.51%	3.67%	1.63%	2.60%	100.00%	47.19%	15.41%
Mission Viejo	19.29%	16.94%	14.99%	13.07%	10.53%	12.81%	6.23%	2.64%	3.50%	100.00%	36.23%	25.18%
Newport Beach	22.11%	18.43%	14.42%	9.39%	6.77%	7.46%	4.92%	3.37%	13.14%	100.00%	40.54%	28.89%
Orange	28.86%	21.98%	15.19%	10.84%	7.78%	7.55%	3.43%	1.46%	2.91%	100.00%	50.84%	15.35%
Placentia	25.21%	21.10%	14.47%	11.68%	9.63%	10.33%	4.30%	1.69%	1.58%	100.00%	46.31%	17.91%
San Clemente	28.99%	24.32%	14.28%	9.43%	6.92%	7.43%	3.31%	1.57%	3.75%	100.00%	53.31%	16.06%
San Juan Capistrano	30.70%	21.21%	13.92%	9.76%	5.96%	6.92%	3.60%	1.91%	6.02%	100.00%	51.91%	18.45%
Santa Ana	44.79%	27.14%	13.32%	7.19%	3.81%	2.60%	0.71%	0.18%	0.28%	100.00%	71.92%	3.76%
Seal Beach	30.68%	23.12%	13.29%	8.64%	6.50%	7.65%	4.61%	2.10%	3.41%	100.00%	53.80%	17.77%
Stanton	38.50%	27.45%	15.24%	9.94%	5.21%	3.33%	0.30%	0.00%	0.03%	100.00%	65.95%	3.66%
Tustin	31.39%	27.61%	16.13%	9.08%	5.49%	5.52%	2.27%	1.15%	1.36%	100.00%	59.00%	10.29%
Villa Park	14.51%	10.90%	8.66%	7.53%	8.56%	10.76%	8.28%	6.04%	24.75%	100.00%	25.41%	49.84%
Westminster	32.99%	22.44%	14.87%	11.49%	7.48%	6.59%	2.56%	0.69%	0.88%	100.00%	55.43%	10.72%
Yorba Linda	16.51%	14.93%	13.90%	12.86%	11.24%	13.65%	7.72%	3.63%	5.56%	100.00%	31.44%	30.56%
Unincorporated	20.63%	20.04%	15.44%	11.65%	9.24%	9.78%	5.05%	2.26%	5.91%	100.00%	40.67%	23.00%
Total County	29.17%	22.32%	15.06%	10.66%	7.46%	7.46%	3.44%	1.49%	2.93%	100.00%	51.49%	15.33%

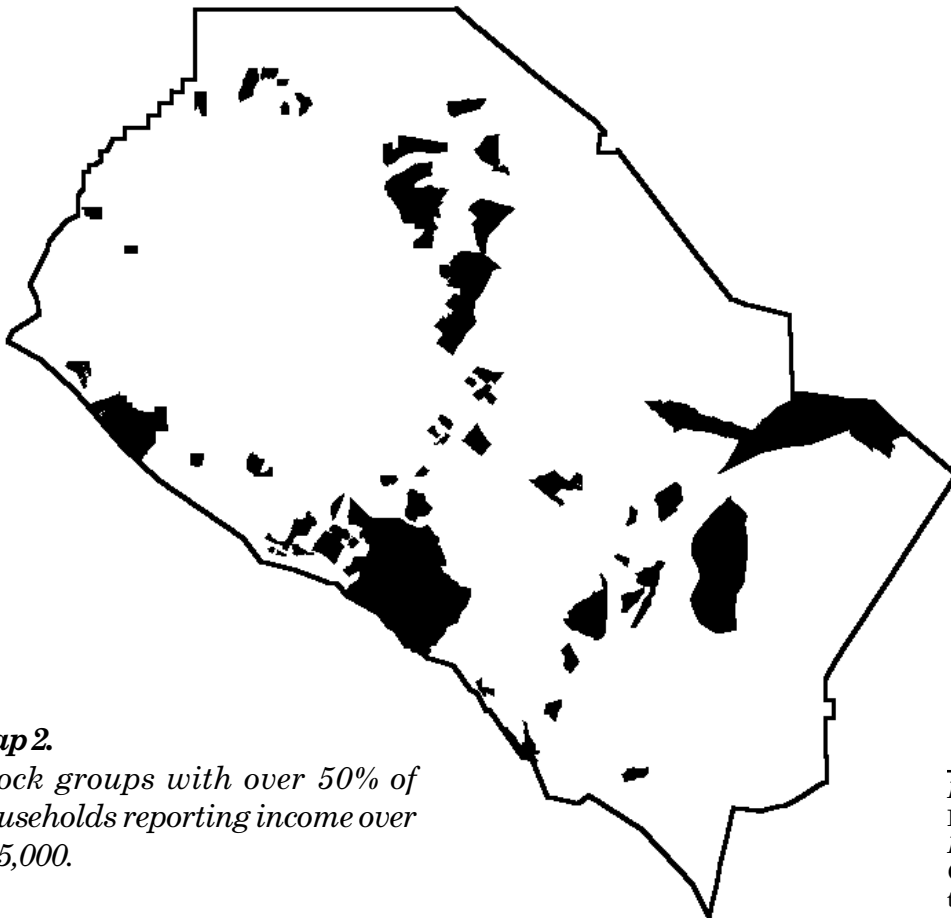
Map 1.

Block groups with over 80% of households reporting income under \$30,000.



Map 2.

Block groups with over 50% of households reporting income over \$75,000.



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