

Irving Texas

African American

Demographic

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African American Demographic Brief of Irving, TX

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The purpose of this report is to describe the current state of the Black population in Irving and its growth patterns.

This report will show that African Americans in Irving are a growing and educated working-class and middle-class population of renters who are mostly single, although half do live in some sort of a family.

Blacks in Irving can also be described as upwardly mobile and hard working or even overworked. Compared to all residents in Irving and the DFW metroplex African Americans here are more likely to have a job or to be looking for work. They are also more likely to attend college.

Due to low marriage rates Black mothers in Irving are less likely to be stay at home moms and have to work full time. Many of these women also attend school to improve their family's situation.

This report also shows how the lack of two income households has affected the bottom line of the Irving Black community financially. Even though they are educated and overrepresented in the workforce, Black men and women in Irving have lower household incomes than the overall incomes of Irving and the Dallas-Fort Worth area population as a whole. This also means that Black children in Irving have less of an opportunity to spend time with their parents than other families in Irving and DFW.

African Americans in Irving are more likely to relocate either within Irving or outside of the city due to changes in rent, employment, relationships, and/or other reasons.

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Black Population Growth 2000 to 2010

With a total population of 216,290 Irving Texas is one of the most important and dynamic suburbs of the Dallas-Fort Worth Metro(DFW). Irving on a whole has seen tremendous population growth and is known for its increasing diversity.

Although much of this notoriety in diversity is because of its Hispanic and Asian population, the African American population has also grown considerably.

POPULATION	2010		Percent Change	2000	
	Population	Percent		Population	Percent
Black population	26,522	100	35%	19,583	100
Median age (years)	30		7%	28	
18 years and over	19,241	72.5	40%	13,696	69.9
21 years and over	18,244	68.8	42%	12,831	65.5
62 years and over	817	3.1	142%	337	1.7
65 years and over	546	2.1	112%	257	1.3
Male population	12,244	46.2	32%	9,280	47.4
Female population	14,278	53.8	39%	10,303	52.6

SOURCE: U.S Census Bureau Census 2000 & 2010 Summary File 2 (SF 2) 100-Percent Data

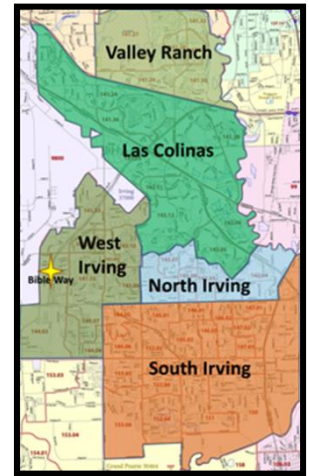
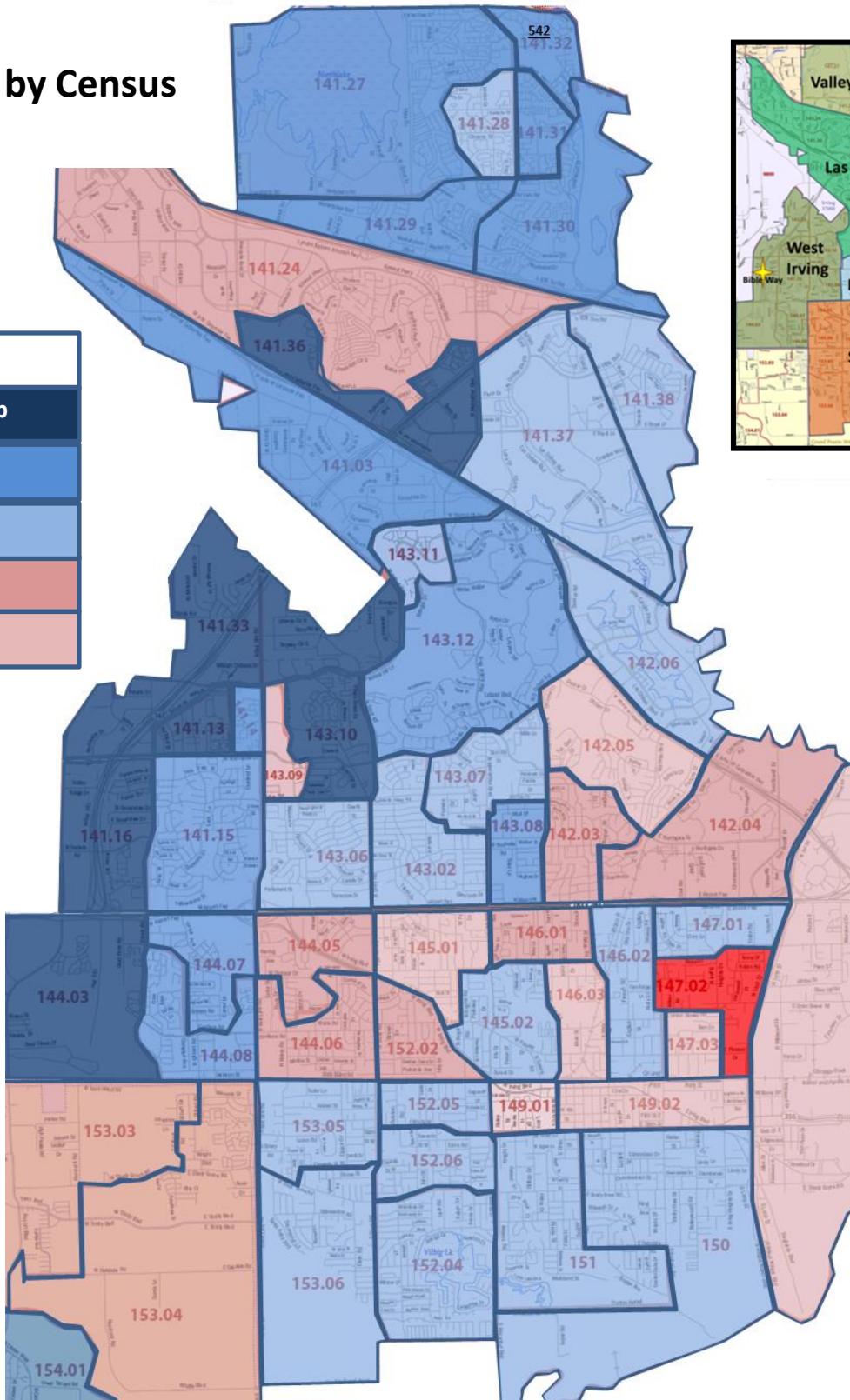
Between 2000 and 2010 Irving's Black population increased 35% from 19,583 to more than 26,000, adding more than 4,000 Black households. To put this in perspective Irving has a larger African American population than the majority Black suburbs of Lancaster and Cedar Hill.

The Black population continues to experience double digit growth in West Irving which has the largest number of Irving's African Americans. However the neighborhoods of Las Colinas and Valley Ranch have seen triple digit growth in many of their census tracks. (see next page)

Arlington	68,792
Grand Prairie	35,390
DeSoto	33,648
Garland	32,980
Irving	26,522
Lancaster	24,997
Cedar Hill	23,382
Plano	19,697
McKinney	13,751
Duncanville	11,478
Lewisville	10,661
Carrollton	10,001

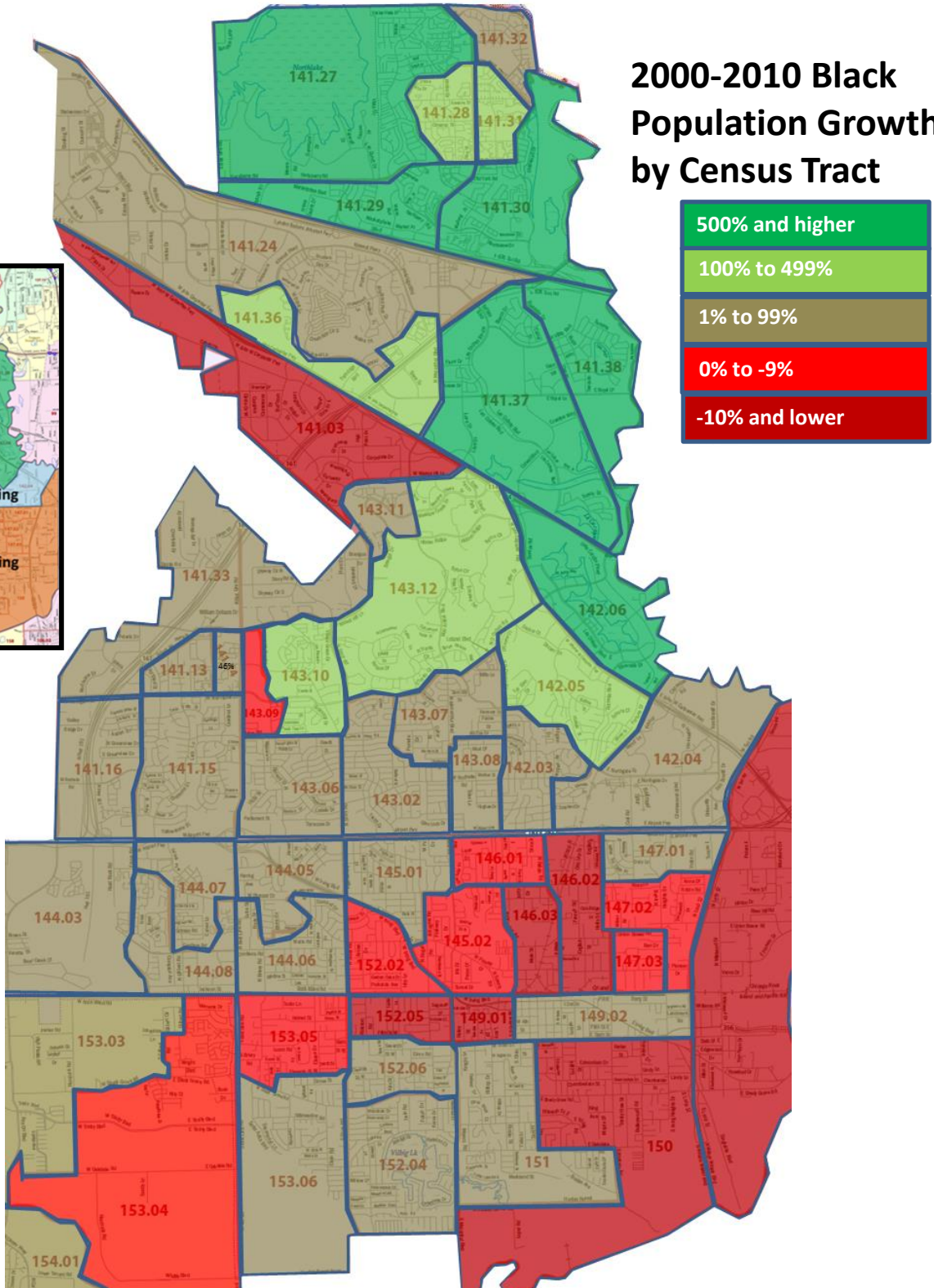
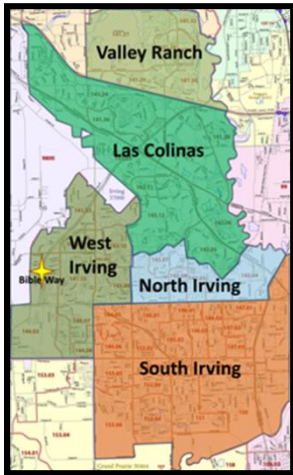
Irving, TX Black Population

2010 Black
Population by Census
Tract



Black Population Growth %

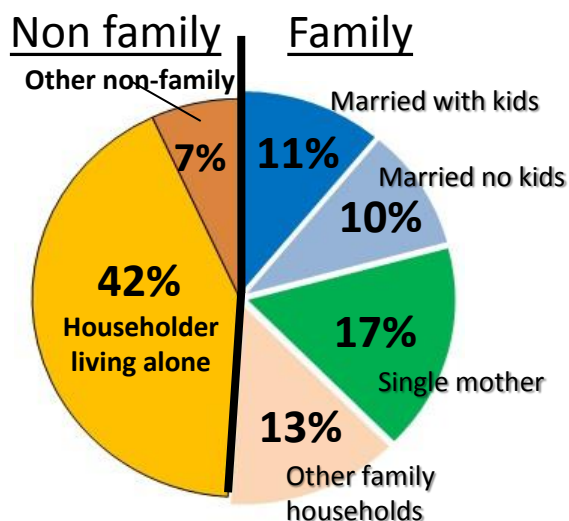
2000-2010 Black Population Growth by Census Tract



Shift of Irving African American Households

2010

Black population: 26,522



HOUSEHOLD MAKE-UP

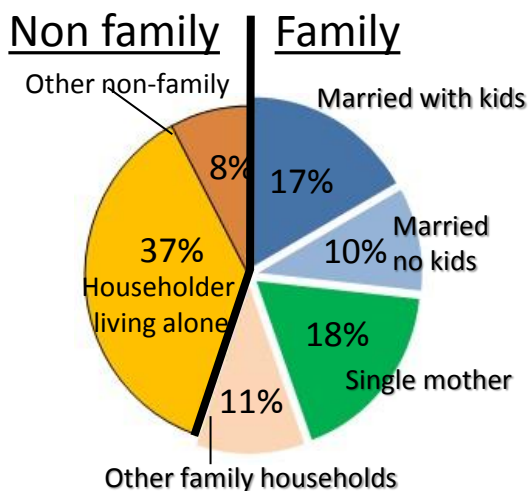
Between 200 and 2010 the Black population in Irving has shifted from being a majority of **family households** to one half family households, and the other half **non-family households**.

Black **married couple families with children** have actually decreased by 7%. In comparison, Black **single mother families with children** have increased by 34%.

At the same time Black **non-family households** (*singles with no kids living alone, or with roommate, or unmarried significant other*) have increased by 56%.

2000

Black population: 19,583



This simply means that 21% of Black family households are run by **married couples**, 25% of family households by **unmarried women**, and 42% of Black households by **men or women living alone**.

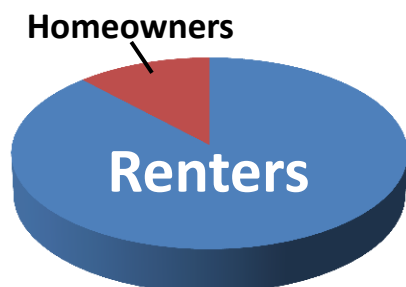
HOUSEHOLDS BY TYPE	2010			2000	
	Population	Percent	Percent Change	Population	Percent
Total households	12,092	100	42%	8,486	100
Family households	6,156	50.9	31%	4,683	55.2
with children	3,749	31	17%	3,206	37.8
Husband-wife family	2,518	20.8	11%	2,265	26.7
with children	1,331	11	-7%	1,426	16.8
Female no husband	2,970	24.6	53%	1,942	22.9
with children	2,021	16.7	34%	1,511	17.8
Nonfamily households	5,936	49.1	56%	3,803	44.8
Householder living alone	5,100	42.2	62%	3,142	37
Average household size	2.2	-	-5%	2.3	-
Average family size	3.0	-	-1%	3.1	-

SOURCE: U.S Census Bureau Census 2000 & 2010 Summary File 2 (SF 2) 100-Percent Data

Housing Type and Mobility

HOUSING TYPE	2010			2000	
	Population	Percent	Percent Change	Population	Percent
Occupied housing units	12,092	100%	42%	8,486	100%
Home-owner	1,452	12%	45%	1,002	11.8%
Avg household size	2.7	-	-8%	3.0	-
Renter	10,640	88%	42%	7,484	88.2%
Avg household size	2.1	-	-5%	2.2	-

SOURCE: U.S Census Bureau Census 2000 & 2010 Summary File 2 (SF 2) 100-Percent Data



HOUSING

African Americans in Irving are primarily renters (88%) compared to about 55% for all Irving residents. This accounts for the high concentration of Black households in many of the apartment complexes in the city since most of Irving's apartments are in West Irving, Las Colinas, and Valley Ranch.

MOBILITY and MIGRATION

Only 64% of African Americans who lived in Irving in 2010 lived in the same house in 2011. This is much lower than all of the population of Irving (74%) and DFW (81%).

This most likely has to do with the high number of **Black renters** and higher percentage of Black **non-family households**. Also 40% of African Americans in Irving were born out of state and 14% in another country.

RESIDENCE 1 YEAR AGO

Population 1 year and over	Black Irving	All Irving	All DFW
Same house	64%	74%	81%
Different house in the U.S.	34%	25%	18%
Different county	14%	9%	7%
Different state	7%	4%	2%
Abroad	2%	1%	1%

PLACE OF BIRTH

Total population	Black Irving	All Irving	All DFW
Born in United States	85%	66%	82%
Different state	40%	23%	27%
Foreign born	14%	33%	17%

SOURCE: U.S Census Bureau 2006-2010 American Community Survey Selected Population Tables

Education

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Population 3 years and over enrolled in school	Black Irving	All Irving	All DFW
Nursery school, preschool	3%	6%	7%
Kindergarten	6%	7%	6%
Elementary (grades 1-8)	35%	42%	44%
High school (grades 9-12)	22%	21%	21%
College or graduate school	33%	24%	22%

Of those who are currently enrolled in school 33% of African Americans in Irving are **enrolled in College or Graduate School** as opposed to High School and Primary school. This is much higher than the average for all populations in Irving and DFW.

SOURCE: U.S Census Bureau 2006-2010 American Community Survey Selected Population Tables

EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT

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Adults 25 years and over	Black Irving	All Irving	All DFW
Less than 9th grade	3%	11%	8%
9th to 12th, no diploma	8%	11%	9%
High school grad/ GED	21%	21%	23%
Some college, no degree	30%	19%	22%
Associate's degree	9%	6%	6%
Bachelor's degree	22%	21%	21%
Graduate or prof degree	6%	12%	10%

When it comes to educational achievement African Americans in Irving tend to be similar to all groups in Irving and the DFW area except when **graduate degrees** are considered. The higher percentage of Blacks who have **not finished college** (30% compared to 22% of all adults in DFW) seems to be the reason for this. The percentage of African Americans with **Bachelor degrees** is slightly higher for African Americans than for all of Irving and DFW.

SOURCE: U.S Census Bureau 2006-2010 American Community Survey Selected Population Tables

MARITAL STATUS

The percentages of Black Men(53%) and women(48%) in Irving who have **never been married** are considerably high compared to all men and women Irving and in the DFW area. This also accounts for the low numbers of Black Men(33%) and Women(25%) in Irving who are **now married** compared to other populations.

Higher rates of interracial marriage among Black men may explain the difference in numbers between the two genders. However a much higher percentage of Black women (17%) are **divorced** than Black men (9%) and all others in Irving and in the DFW region.

MARITAL STATUS

	Black Irving	All Irving	All DFW
Males 15 yr and up			
Never married	53%	38%	33%
Married	33%	49%	54%
Separated	5%	3%	2%
Widowed	1%	2%	2%
Divorced	9%	8%	9%
Females 15 yr and up			
Never married	48%	31%	27%
Married	25%	47%	50%
Separated	6%	4%	3%
Widowed	4%	6%	7%
Divorced	17%	13%	13%

EMPLOYMENT STATUS

Population 16 years and over	Black Irving	All Irving	All DFW
In labor force	82%	74%	70%
Employed	69%	68%	65%
Unemployed	13%	6%	5%
Not in labor force	18%	26%	30%
Females 16 years and over			
In labor force	80%	65%	63%
Employed	67%	60%	58%
Have kids under 6yr who have all parents in labor force	77%	55%	60%
Have kids 6 to 17yrs who have all parents in labor force	83%	70%	69%

EMPLOYMENT

A high percentage of African Americans in Irving are **in the labor force** (82%) when compared to the labor force involvement of adults in DFW as a whole (70%). This disparity grows even further among **single parent families with kids in school (K-12)**. This figure underscores the lack of Black stay-at-home parents.

Employment, Income, and Poverty

SOURCE: U.S Census Bureau 2006-2010 American Community Survey Selected Population Tables

INCOME

The **Median Income** of Black Irving Households is lower than that of all of Irving and DFW. **Median earnings** for Black Men and Black women (not shown in table) in Irving are almost even with each other and closer to all others when comparing race, ethnicity and sex.

INCOME AND BENEFITS

(IN 2010 INFLATION-ADJUSTED DOLLARS)

	Black Irving	All Irving	All DFW
Median household income	\$ 34,192	\$ 47,248	\$ 56,349
Mean household income	\$ 42,781	\$ 65,775	\$ 77,417
Per capita income	\$ 19,873	\$ 26,016	\$ 28,424
Median earnings for male	\$ 32,634	\$ 37,712	\$ 46,408
Median earnings for female	\$ 31,966	\$ 35,400	\$ 37,911
With cash public assistance	3%	1%	1%
With Food Stamp/SNAP	15%	9%	7%

SOURCE: U.S Census Bureau 2006-2010 American Community Survey Selected Population Tables

PERCENTAGE OF FAMILIES WHOSE INCOME IS BELOW THE POVERTY LEVEL

Families in Poverty	Black Irving	All Irving	All DFW
All families	16%	14%	10%
With kids	23%	21%	15%
Married couple families	8%	9%	6%
With kids	12%	14%	8%
Female led, no husband	21%	28%	27%
With kids	27%	36%	34%

POVERTY

Despite having lower incomes, poverty rates for **Black single mothers** in Irving are lower than for all single mothers in Irving and DFW. On the other hand, **poverty rates** for Black families in Irving are similar to that of all Irving and DFW. African Americans in Irving are more likely to use **SNAP benefits** as a matter of fact twice as likely than all DFW.

SOURCE: U.S Census Bureau 2006-2010 American Community Survey Selected Population Tables

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