

MissionSite

top unreached locations



LANSING, MI

CENSUS TRACT: 26065005303

REGION: Region Four

ASSOCIATION: Central

COUNTY: Ingham

SITESCAPE: Suburbscape

DENSITY PATTERN: K



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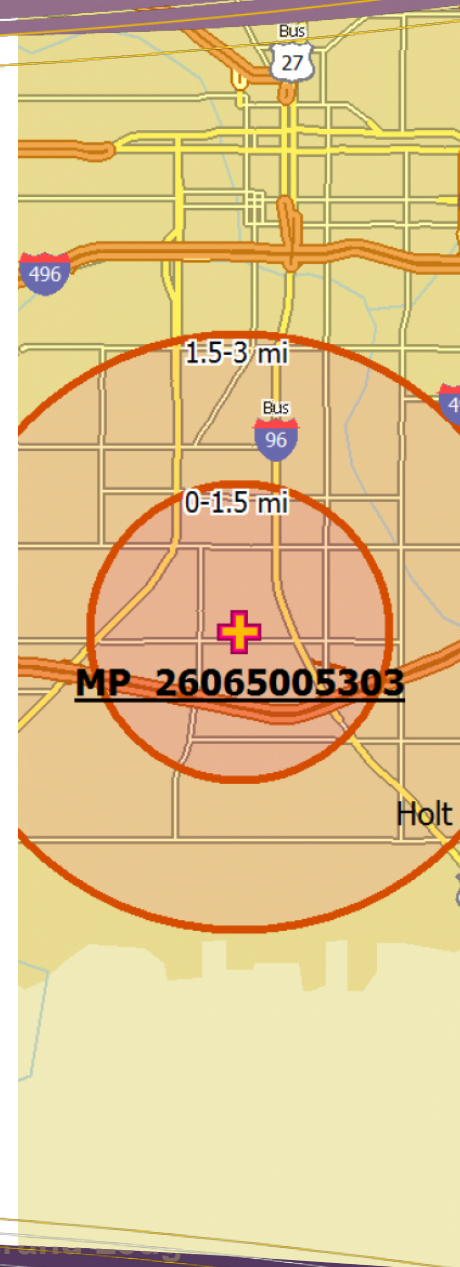
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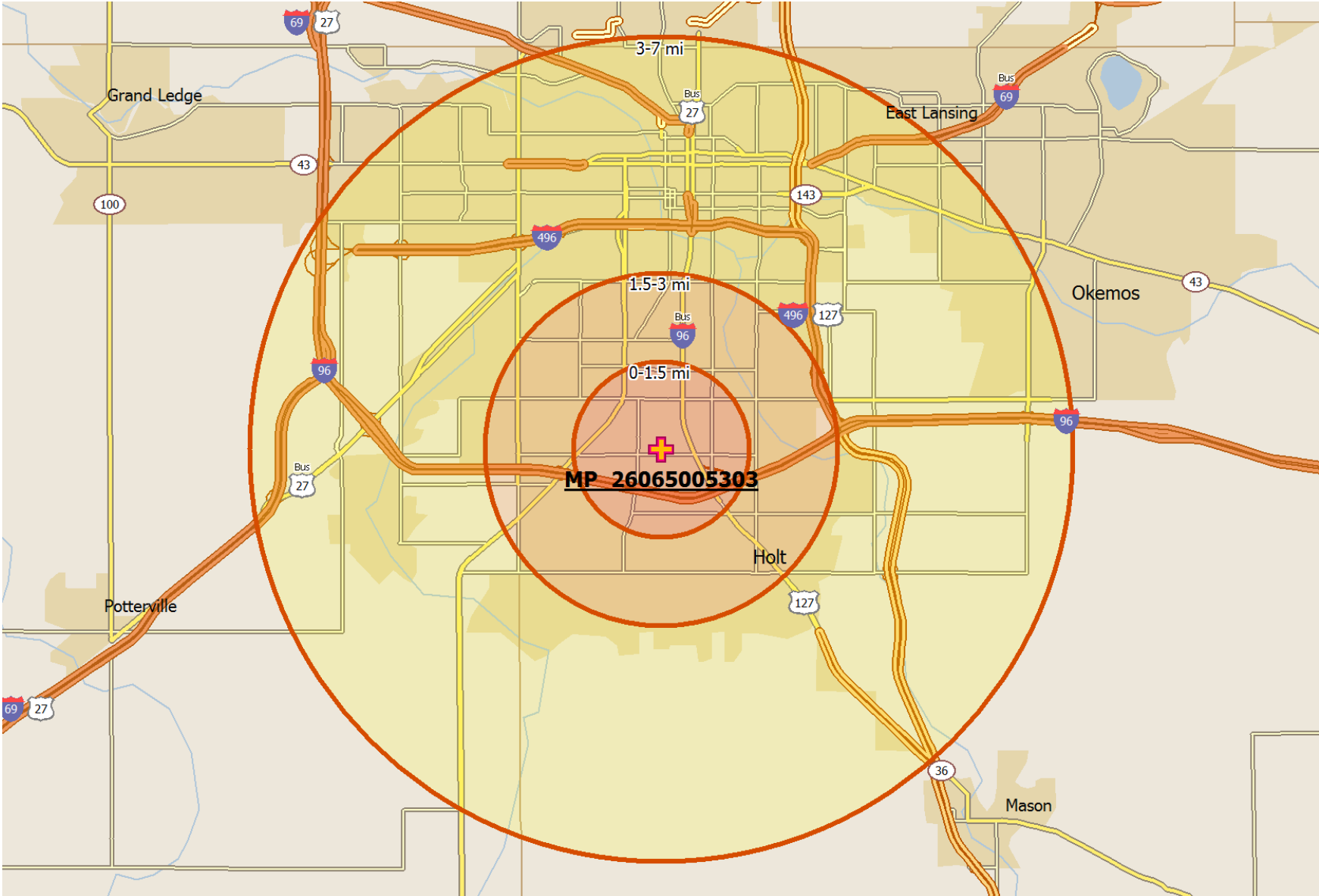
Site Location Summary

The site location of this MissionSite (TM) report is based upon the SITESCAPE typology developed by the staff of IICM. The SITESCAPE is an analysis of the 0-1.5 mile, 1.5-3 mile, and 3-7 mile bands around each of the 65,399 US census tract centroids (or geographical centers). Each census tract has been assigned a large number of variables based upon this analysis. These variables include information regarding the spirituality of this particular location. This report reflects a "Top Unreached Location" meaning that this site has a significant number of households that have not been reached by the gospel of Jesus Christ. Sitescape definitions may be found online at the MissionalCyclopedia.org site.

	Location Typography	CODE	LOCATION
1	Region	26R04	Region Four
2	Association	26A03	Central
3	County Location	26065	Ingham
4	Zipcode	48911	Ingham
5	Sitescape Category	3	Suburbscape
6	Sitescape Group	3.3	Medium Suburbs
7	Sitescape Subgroup	3.33	Large suburbs adjacent to a small city in metro area
8	Sitescape Density Pattern	K	100000-250000-100000



Site Location Summary - Map of the Site Location



Site Location Summary - Urbanicity

One key issue in site location is the degree of urbanicity - how rural or how urban is this setting? A number of government agencies have tackled this question in order to better compare various types of communities in the United States. The chart below provides a summary of how various government agencies have defined this particular location. IICM took the Rural Urban Commuting Areas (RUCA) from the US Department of Agriculture and created an index value based on the most rural value being a "0" and the most urban value being a "100". You will also see their ERS RUCA Commuting Value. The percent of households that commute from a non-metro to a metro area is also given.

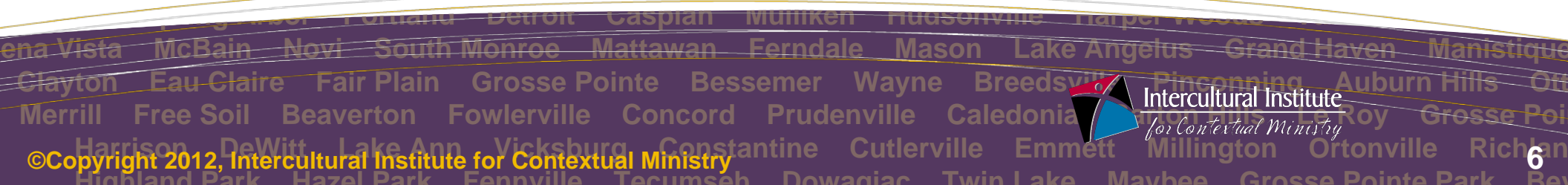
	RURAL / URBAN	CODE	EXPLANATION
1	Metro or Non-Metro	1	Metro
2	Urban Influence	2	Small-in a metro area with fewer than 1 million residents
3	Rural / Urban Continuum	2	County in metro area of 250,000 to 1 million population
4	NCHS Rural Urban Codes	3	Medium Metro - counties in a metropolitan statistical area of 250,000 to 999,999 population
5	NCES Urban Centric Locale Codes	12	City: Midsize: Territory inside an urbanized area and inside a principal city with population less than 250,000 and greater than or equal to 100,000.
6	IICM RUCA Values Index	100	Metropolitan core commuting: No additional code
7	ERS RUCA Commuting Value	1	Metropolitan area core: primary flow within an urbanized area
8	Percent Commuting to Metro	0	Percent commuting from non metro to metro areas

Site Location Summary - Band Composition

Below is a summary of the composition of the three bands around the center of the census tract. Values for the total population, and various types of group quarters in each band are provided below. In addition to current population estimates, each band has been compared to all of the other census tract bands around the country. Population density, language diversity, foreign born diversity, ancestry diversity and racial (broad census categories) diversity have all been indexed across the country with a "0" value representing the least value and 100 representing the most in each category. For an explanation of these indices please see the Sitescape article at MissionalCyclopedia.org.

BAND COMPOSITION	0-1.5 MILES	1.5-3 MILES	3-7 MILES
2010 Population	18,245	47,722	150,398
2010 Households	7,843	19,452	57,202
2010 Group Quarters Population	382	362	15,531

BAND COMPOSITION	0-3 MILES	3-7 MILES	7-10 MILES
Population Density National Index	59	54	42
Language Diversity National Index	43	56	42
Foreign Born Diversity National Index	90	89	89
Ancestry Diversity National Index	60	69	92
Racial Diversity National Index	57	52	28



Site Location Summary - County Environment

In 2004, the US Department of Agriculture created a county typology that categorizes all of the 3140 US counties into 6 economic-dependency types and 7 other county-types. Although the specific bands of this report may differ from the dominant characteristics of the county, the county environment is useful to better understand the site location context. Further information about these categories may be found at the MissionalCyclopedia.org website.

COUNTY ENVIRONMENT	CODE	INDICATORS
Housing Stress County	0	False
Low-education County	0	False
Low-employment County	0	False
Persistent Poverty County	0	False
Population Loss County	0	False
Non-metro Recreation County	0	False
Retirement Destination County	0	False

ECONOMIC DEPENDENCY	CODE	INDICATORS
Farm-dependent county indicator	0	False
Mining-dependent county indicator	0	False
Manufacturing-dependent county indicator	0	False
Federal/State government-dependent county indicator	1	True
Services-dependent county indicator	0	False
Nonspecialized-dependent county indicator	0	False

Site Location Summary - Social Environment

The MOSAIC USA lifestyle segmentation system was created by Experian, a global company based in the UK. This segmentation system has the US population subdivided into 60 lifestyle segments and 12 social groups. IICM has built upon this by creating a typology of six social environments of which each segment and social group is a part. The chart below gives the number of households that are in the 0-1.5 mile band that are in each of the six social environment. The households in each environment share a common situation that produces shared cultural practices, values and spiritual issues. For an explanation of these community cultures, please consult the corresponding articles at MissionalCyclopedia.org.

SOCIAL ENVIRONMENT	0-1.5 MI BAND	HHLDS	PERCENT
Upscale Communities	Affluent, White-collar Families	559	7.13%
Mainstay Communities	Established, Diverse Households	641	8.17%
Working Communities	Blue-collar, Working Families	4,729	60.3%
Country Communities	Rural, Agri. & Mining Families	12	0.15%
Aspiring Communities	Young Singles / Aspiring-Multihousing	781	9.96%
Urban Communities	High Density, Inner-city Neighborhoods	1,120	14.28%

Using the Site Location Summary

The site location summary has been designed to aid APEPT missional response teams, church planters and church planting sponsors in determining potential sites for starting new ministries and new congregations and choosing appropriate personnel for the location. Below is a list of several issues that need to be considered in choosing a potential site location.

Issues for Your Consideration

1. The SITESCAPE category, group and density pattern listed on page 3 identifies this location within a continuum that reaches from country to town to suburb to city. Ideally, church planters and missional team members should have already acculturated to this type of location. It may be difficult for a "City Person" to minister effectively in a "country" location and vice versa.
2. The urbanicity designations on page 5 may have implications for ministry development. The extent of commuting within a metro area may need to be considered in choosing a potential building site or in developing evening events or ministries. The percent of the population that commute from a non-metro to metro area may also need to be taken into consideration.

Using the Site Location Summary

Issues for Your Consideration - continued

3. Band composition and the comparison of population between the bands on page 6 may have implications regarding types of anticipated ministry development - from "a neighborhood" congregation to a more "regional" approach. The numbers and types of group quarters (usually some form of multi-family housing) may suggest the need for multi-housing ministry. The density and diversity indices compare this site to other site locations across the country. Values over 50 in each of these indicates a higher level of diversity or density than most other locations.
4. Each US location exists in a county or county-equivalent, as shown on page 7. This overall context may affect the environment of this site location. The type of economic dependence of a county may shape the background of a church planter that will be needed for this particular site.
5. The dominant social environments in this particular site noted on page 8 create specific cultural practices and values that will need to be taken into consideration when starting a new ministry or new congregation. Please read the summary articles at MissionalCyclopedia.org for the top 2 largest social environments. What implications do you see based on the dominant social environments in this location?

Spirituality Indicators Overview - Evangelscape

The Evangelscape is an IICM dataset based on a national study conducted by the Simmons Market Research Bureau as indexed to the MOSAIC lifestyle segmentation system. The dataset includes the percent of households for each MOSAIC lifestyle segment that are considered "unreached," "religious but not evangelical," "spiritual but not religious or evangelical," and "not evangelical and not interested in religion or spirituality." For an explanation of these terms see the Evangelscape article at MissionalCyclopedia.org.

The chart below compares the count and percent of households in the county with the count and percent of households in the 0-1.5 mile band that are in each category. The index value assumes that if the county percent and the 0-1.5 mile band percent were both the same, the index would be 100. Thus values lower than 100 reflect categories where the percentage in the 0-1.5 mile band are lower than the county average. The values that are higher than 100 reflect categories where the percentage is higher for the 0-1.5 mile band. A value of 200 would be twice the value of 100 (which would be a 100% increase over the county average).

EVANGELSCAPE: SPIRITUALITY	COUNTY	0-1.5 MILE BAND	% INDEX
Unreached Households	75,798	5,461	7.2%
Unreached %	70.22%	69.63%	99.15
Religious But NOT Evangelical HH	18,474	1,406	7.61%
Religious But NOT Evangelical %	17.11%	17.93%	104.77
Spiritual But NOT Relig or Evang HH	12,599	822	6.53%
Spiritual But NOT Relig or Evang %	11.67%	10.48%	89.81
Not Evangelical, Not Interested HH	44,845	3,232	7.21%
Not Evangelical, Not Interested %	41.55%	41.21%	99.2



Spirituality Indicators - Churchscape

IICM's Churchscape indicates the number of BSCM within 3 miles of the site location. It also compares the percentage of active and inactive evangelicals in the county to those in this site location. The index value provides a snapshot of how this site location compares to the county levels. The number of new churches needed at this site location is based upon the need to have one church for every 2000 households (or roughly every 4-5,000 people).

ECCLESCAPE: CHURCHES	COUNTY	3 MILE RING	PERCENT & INDEX
Num of BSCM Churches	0	0	0%
Active BSCM Attenders	0	0	0%
Active Evangelical Households	7,054	1,789	25.36%
Active Evangelical Percent	6.53%	6.55%	100.28
Inactive Evangelical Households	25,090	6,362	25.36%
Inactive Evangelical Percent	23.24%	23.31%	100.28
# New Churches Needed	54	14	25.29%



Using the Spirituality Indicators

Below are some issues related to the spirituality indicators that you may want to consider as you review this site as a potential location for a new ministry or new congregation.

Issues for Your Consideration

1. The Evangelscape on page 11 provides an overview of the spiritual topography of this location. While the percent of unreached households is significant, the other percentages may need further clarification as you conduct an on-site review. The percentage of the population who are religious (meaning actively attend some form of institutionalized religion) and spiritual (meaning embracing spirituality but not institutional religion) may require further investigation. Those in the "not evangelical, but not interested in religion or spirituality" category may require an outreach process rooted in incarnational ministry.
2. Your team may want to seriously discuss the Churchscape on page 12. The percentage of active evangelicals in this site is a key figure for you to consider - both in terms of recruiting additional help, but also in terms of the significance of the need for a new ministry or new congregation. The number of new churches needed is another significant value.

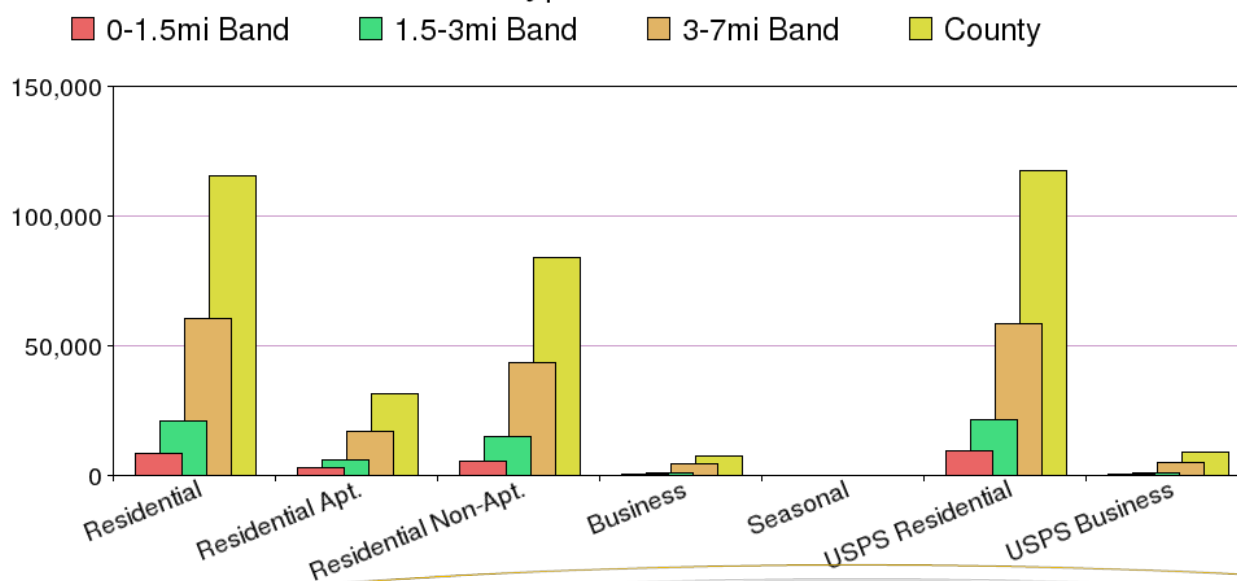
Current Demographic Summary

The population and household figures from IICM's Demoscope report are given below for this site location. Historical figures from the 1990 and 2000 US Census precede the current year estimates for the 0-1.5 mile band. The percentage of the county population and number of households that appears in the 0-1.5 mile band is given for each year. Location types refer to residential, business and seasonal use

DEMOSCAPE	COUNTY	BAND	% OF CO
1990 Population	281,912	18,821	6.68%
2000 Population	279,320	18,660	6.68%
2010 Population	277,099	18,245	6.58%

DEMOSCAPE	COUNTY	BAND	% OF CO
1990 Households	102,648	7,764	7.56%
2000 Households	108,593	8,001	7.37%
2010 Households	107,941	7,843	7.27%

Location Types in this MissionSite



Location Type	0-1.5mi Band
Residential	8,634
Residential Apt.	3,191
Residential Non-Apt.	5,443
Business	587
Seasonal	1
USPS Residential	9,421
USPS Business	730

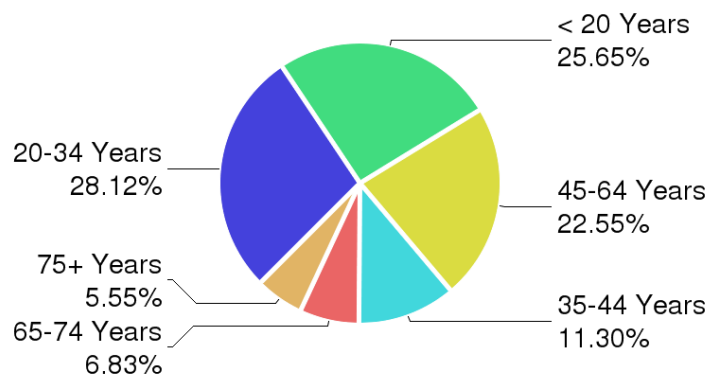
Current Demographic Summary

A current year demographic summary of age categories for the site location appears on the right.

For each category both county and 0-1.5 mile band percentages are given. The Index value assumes that if the county percent and the 0-1.5 mile band percent were both the same, the index would be 100.

2010 POP. ESTIMATES	COUNTY	BAND	INDEX
0-3 Years	5.21%	7.4%	142.03
4-5 Years	2.4%	2.78%	115.83
6-8 Years	3.51%	3.77%	107.41
9-11 Years	3.41%	3.41%	100
12-13 Years	2.23%	2.14%	95.96
14-17 Years	5.8%	4.15%	71.55
18-19 Years	3.16%	2%	63.29
0-5 Years	7.61%	10.18%	133.77
6-12 Years	8.04%	8.27%	102.86
13-19 Years	10.07%	7.2%	71.5
< 20 Years	25.72%	25.65%	99.73
20-34 Years	28.84%	28.12%	97.5
35-44 Years	10.6%	11.3%	106.6
45-64 Years	23.39%	22.55%	96.41
65-74 Years	6.24%	6.83%	109.46
75+ Years	5.21%	5.55%	106.53
Median Age	30	35	113.69
Median Age (Male)	30	33	111.29
Median Age (Female)	32	36	113.61

Age Group Percentages

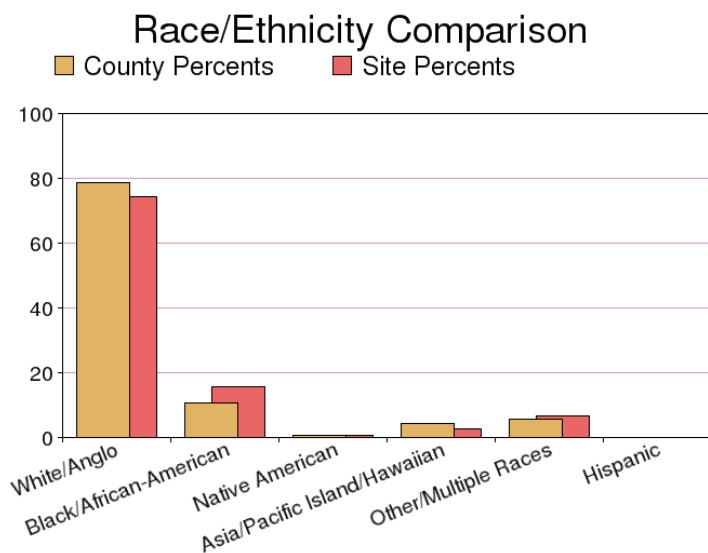


Current Demographic Summary

A current year demographic summary of race/ethnicity and education of adults for the site location appears on the right.

For each category both county and 0-1.5 mile band percentages are given. The Index value assumes that if the county percent and the 0-1.5 mile band percent were both the same, the index would be 100.

2010 POP. ESTIMATES	COUNTY	BAND	INDEX
Race/Ethnicity			
White, Anglo	78.71%	74.29%	94.39
Black, African-American	10.68%	15.53%	145.36
Native American	0.62%	0.64%	102.67
Asian	4.28%	2.72%	63.67
Pacific Island, Hawaiian	0.07%	0.03%	37.78
Other/Multiple Races	5.63%	6.8%	120.65
Hispanic	0%	7.67%	0



Education of Adults (25 yrs+)			
Total Adults over age 25 years.	168,450	11,879	
Less than 9th Grade	2.76%	3.46%	79.72
No High School Diploma	6.01%	6.53%	92.01
High School Graduate	25.59%	31.56%	81.09
Some College, no degree	21.74%	28.93%	75.14
Associate Degree	8.47%	10.03%	84.36
College Degree	20.47%	13.84%	147.9
Graduate/Prof. degree	14.96%	5.64%	265.31

Current Demographic Summary

A current year demographic summary of family and non-family households for the site location appears on the right.

For each category both county and 0-1.5 mile band percentages are given. The Index value assumes that if the county percent and the 0-1.5 mile band percent were both the same, the index would be 100. Thus values lower than 100 reflect categories where the percentage in the 0-1.5 mile band are lower than the county average. The values that are higher than 100 reflect categories where the percentage is higher for the 0-1.5 mile band. A value of 200 would be twice the value of 100 (which would be a 100% increase over the county average). A value of 50 would be 50% of the county average.

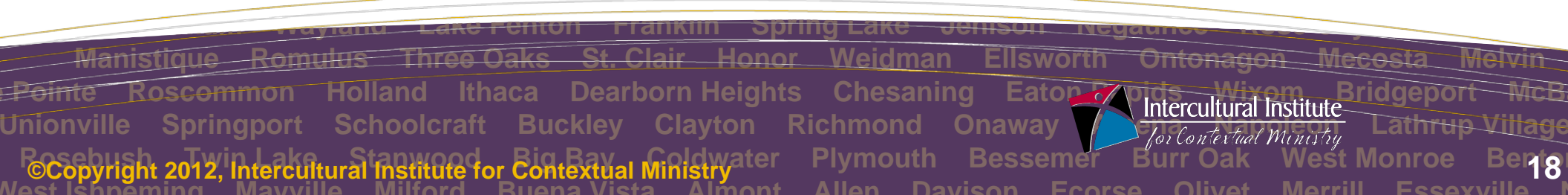
2010 HOUSEHOLD ESTIMATES	COUNTY	BAND	INDEX
Household Income			
< \$10,000	11.96%	9.29%	67.79
\$10,000 to \$19,999	10.34%	12.99%	125.66
\$20,000 to \$29,999	10.94%	16.59%	151.56
\$30,000 to \$49,999	20.16%	24.8%	123.02
\$50,000 to \$59,999	8.07%	8.76%	108.54
\$60,000 to \$69,999	7.64%	6.89%	90.16
\$70,000 to \$79,999	6.09%	5.81%	95.46
\$80,000 to \$89,999	4.62%	4.76%	102.96
\$90,000 to \$99,999	3.18%	2.83%	89
\$100,000 to \$124,999	7.56%	3.84%	50.8
\$125,000 to \$149,999	4.09%	1.7%	41.51
\$150,000 to \$199,999	3.04%	1.11%	36.49
\$200,000 to \$249,999	0.94%	0.18%	19
\$250,000 or more	1.38%	0.45%	32.24
Median Household	46,065	38,857	84.35
Average Household	60,791	50,960	83.83
Per Capita Household	25,544	22,055	86.34
Family/Non-Family Household Income			
Median Family Income	62,285	45,004	72.25
Average Family Income	77,420	57,095	73.75
Median Non-Family Income	30,239	31,378	103.77
Average Non-Family Income	37,936	40,599	107.02

Current Demographic Summary

A current year demographic summary of household types, housing units and households by size and count by person for the site location appears at right.

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2010 HOUSEHOLD ESTIMATES	COUNTY	BAND	
Family Households			Index
% Family Households	57.88%	56.29%	97.25
Families with Children	29.19%	31%	106.19
Families without Children	28.7%	25.3%	88.16
Non-Family Households			
% Non-Family Households	42.12%	43.71%	103.78
Non-Families with Children	0.21	0.15	73.73
Non-Families without Children	41.91	43.55	103.93
Housing Units			Index
Total Housing Units	121,083	8,926	
Vacant percent	10.85%	12.13%	111.79
Owned percent	56.11%	44.45%	79.22%
Rented Percent	33.03%	43.41%	131.42
Households by Size			Index
Avg household size	2.41	2.28	94.61
Avg family hh size	3.17	3.10	97.79
Avg non-family hh size	1.37	1.22	89.05
Households By Count of Persons			Percent
One	35,555	2,899	8.15%
Two	32,403	2,217	6.84%
Three or Four	30,461	2,189	7.19%
Five+	9,522	538	5.65%



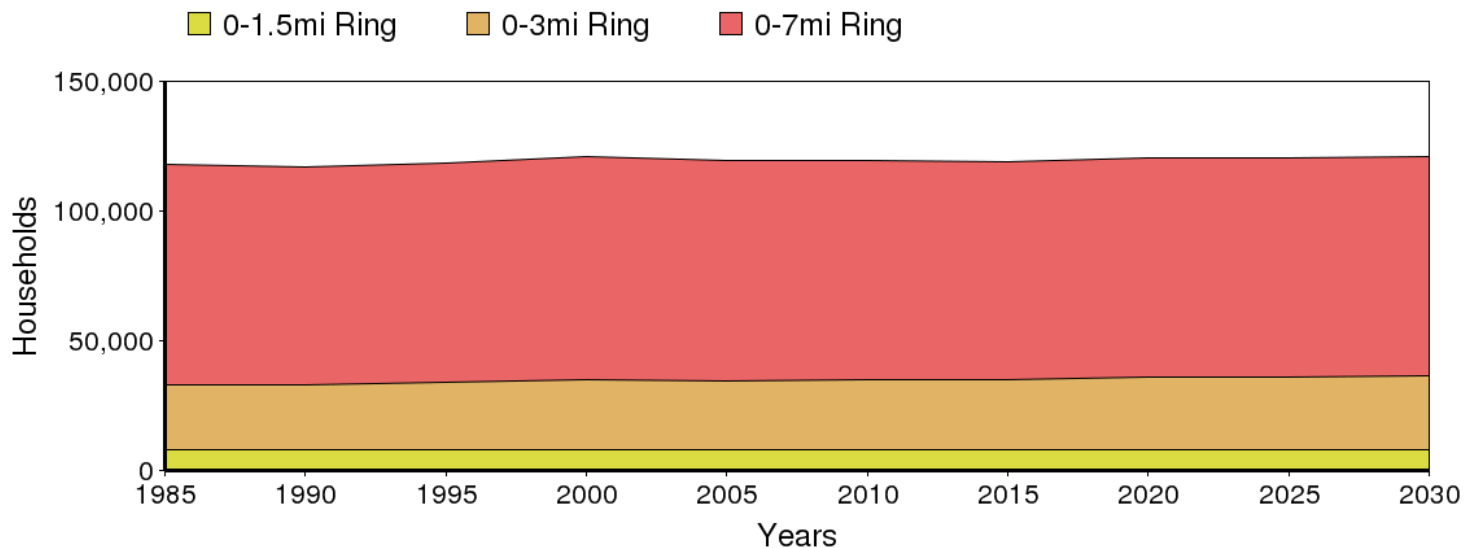
Projected Demographic Summary

The population and household figures from IICM's Demoscope report are given below for this site location. Historical figures from the 1990 and 2000 US Census precede the current year estimates and the five year projections for both the county in which this site location exists and also for the 0-1.5 mile ring. The percentage of the county population and number of households that appears in the 0-1.5 mile ring is given for each year. The graph illustrates household change from 1985 to 2030.

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1990 Population	281,912	18,821	6.68%
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2015 Population	274,112	17,950	6.55%

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2010 Households	107,941	7,843	7.27%
2015 Households	107,936	7,790	7.22%

Household Change from 1985 to 2030



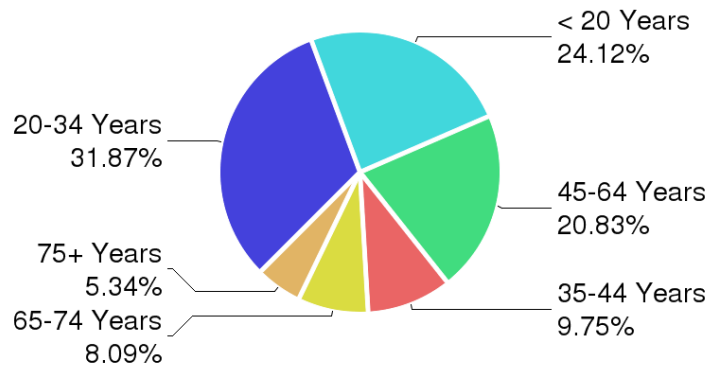
Projected Demographic Summary

A comparison between the current and PROJECTED demographic summary of age group categories for the site location for five years from the current year appears on the right.

For each category both the current year and the projected percents for the 0-1.5 mile band are given. The Index value assumes that if the current and projected percents were both the same, the index would be 100.

CURRENT VS. PROJECTED	CURRENT	PLUS 5 YEARS	INDEX
0-3 Years	7.4%	7.91%	106.89
4-5 Years	2.78%	2.82%	101.44
6-8 Years	3.77%	3.8%	100.8
9-11 Years	3.41%	3.34%	97.95
12-13 Years	2.14%	2.06%	96.26
14-17 Years	4.15%	3.09%	74.46
18-19 Years	2%	1.1%	55
0-5 Years	10.18%	10.73%	105.4
6-12 Years	8.27%	8.19%	99.03
13-19 Years	7.2%	5.2%	72.22
< 20 Years	25.65%	24.12%	94.04
20-34 Years	28.12%	31.87%	113.34
35-44 Years	11.3%	9.75%	86.28
45-64 Years	22.55%	20.83%	92.37
65-74 Years	6.83%	8.09%	118.45
75+ Years	5.55%	5.34%	96.22
Median Age	30	35	114.09
Median Age (Male)	30	33	112.37
Median Age (Female)	32	36	113.17

Projected Age Group Percentages



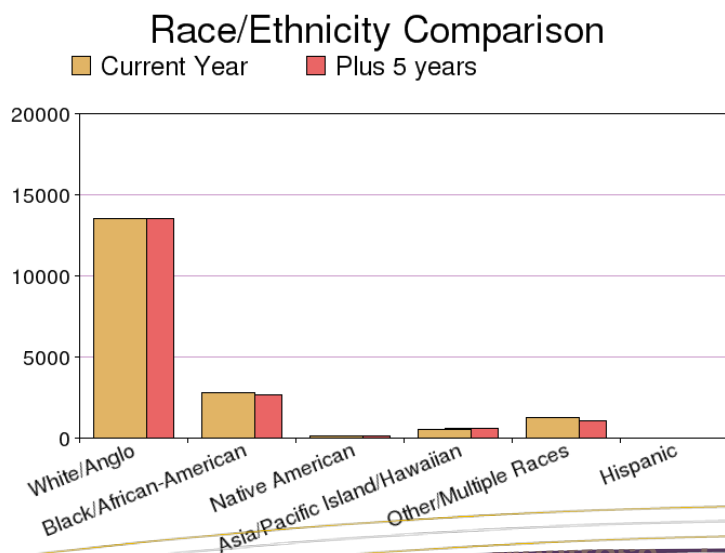
Projected Demographic Summary

A comparison between the current and PROJECTED demographic summary of race/ethnicity and education categories for the site location for five years from the current year appears on the right.

For each category both the current year and the projected percents for the 0-1.5 mile band are given. The Index value assumes that if the current and projected percents were both the same, the index, would be 100.

CURRENT VS. PROJECTED	CURRENT	PLUS 5 YRS	INDEX
Race/Ethnicity			
White, Anglo	74.29%	75.42%	101.52
Black, African-American	15.53%	14.72%	94.79
Native American	0.64%	0.6%	93.76
Asian	2.72%	3.12%	114.53
Pacific Island, Hawaiian	0.03%	0.06%	203.29
Other/Multiple Races	6.8%	6.08%	89.51
Hispanic	0%	0%	0

Education of Adults (25 yrs+)			
Total Adults over age 25 years.	11,879	12,746	
Less than 9th Grade	3.46%	3.25%	93.88
No High School Diploma	6.53%	5.52%	84.43
High School Graduate	31.56%	33.77%	106.99
Some College, no degree	28.93%	27.77%	95.96
Associate Degree	10.03%	10.59%	105.55
College Degree	13.84%	13.7%	98.98
Graduate/Prof. degree	5.64%	5.41%	95.98



Projected Demographic Summary

A comparison between the current and PROJECTED demographic summary of household income and family / non-family income for the site location appears on the right. For each category both the current year and the projected percents for the 0-1.5 mile band are given. The Index value given, assumes that if the current and projected percents were both the same, the index would be 100. Thus values lower than 100 reflect categories where the projected percentage in the 0-1.5 mile band are lower than the current percents. The values that are higher than 100 reflect categories where the projected percentage is higher for the 0-1.5 mile band. A value of 200 would be twice the value of 100 (which would be a 100% increase over the current percent). A value of 50 would be 50% of the current percent.

CURRENT VS. PROJECTED	CURRENT	PLUS 5 YEARS	INDEX
Household Income			
< \$10,000	9.29%	9.76%	104.96
\$10,000 to \$19,999	12.99%	12.36%	95.15
\$20,000 to \$29,999	16.59%	15.98%	96.35
\$30,000 to \$49,999	24.8%	24.22%	97.68
\$50,000 to \$59,999	8.76%	8.6%	98.19
\$60,000 to \$69,999	6.89%	6.93%	100.68
\$70,000 to \$79,999	5.81%	6.07%	102.01
\$80,000 to \$89,999	4.76%	4.88%	101.49
\$90,000 to \$99,999	2.83%	2.84%	100.23
\$100,000 to \$249,999	3.84%	4.36%	113.73
\$125,000 to \$149,999	1.7%	1.93%	113.55
\$150,000 to \$199,999	1.11%	1.32%	119.2
\$200,000 to \$249,999	0.18%	0.15%	86.3
\$250,000 or more	0.45%	0.44%	97.8
Median Household	38,857	39,788	102.4
Average Household	50,960	53,256	104.51
Per Capita Household	22,055	23,272	105.52
Family/Non-Family Household Income			
Median Family Income	45,004	46,354	103
Average Family Income	57,095	59,599	104.39
Median Non-Family Income	31,378	32,612	103.93
Average Non-Family Income	40,599	42,668	105.1

Projected Demographic Summary

A comparison between the current and PROJECTED demographic summary of family and non-family households, housing units, households by size, and households by count of persons for the site location appears on the right. For each category both the current year and the projected percents for the 0-1.5 mile band are given. The Index value assumes that if the current and Projected percents were both the same, the index would be 100. Thus values lower than 100 reflect categories where the projected percentage in the 0-1.5 mile band are lower than the current percents. The values that are higher than 100 reflect categories where the projected percentage is higher for the 0-1.5 mile band. A value of 200 would be twice the value of 100 (which would be a 100% increase over the current percent). A value of 50 would be 50% of the current percent.

CURRENT VS. PROJECTED	CURRENT	PLUS 5 YEARS	INDEX
Family Households			
% Family Households	56.29%	55.91%	99.31
Families with Children	31	29.97	96.7
Families without Children	25.3	24.7	97.64
Non-Family Households			
% Non-Family Households	43.71%	44.09%	100.89
Non-Families with Children	0.15	0.08	100.89
Non-Families without Children	43.55	44.02	101.06
Housing Units			
Total Housing Units	8,926	8,872	99.4%
Vacant percent	12.13%	12.2%	100.52
Owned percent	44.45%	44.23%	99.49
Rented Percent	43.41%	43.58%	100.37
Households by Size			
Avg household size	2.28	2.26	99.12%
Avg family hh size	3.10	3.15	101.61%
Avg non-family hh size	1.22	1.13	92.62%
Households By Count of Persons			
One	2,899	2,960	102.1%
Two	2,217	2,170	97.88%
Three or Four	2,189	2,123	96.98%
Five+	538	537	99.81%

Ethnographic Summary

The heart of the missional task is reaching specific people groups. Some of the ethnic, language, ancestry, and foreign-born groups in your missional site may need contextual approaches to reach them and multiply disciples among them. Foreign born peoples bring much of their culture from their homelands with them. However, over time they begin to adapt to their new surroundings. Different approaches may be needed for groups at different levels of acculturation. For more information about acculturation please see the MissionalCyclopedia.org.

BORN IN:	0-1.5 MILES	1.5-3 MILES	3-7 MILES
Foreign Born Pop	798	2,176	11,145
Northern Europe	27	53	272
Western Europe	32	137	424
Southern Europe	16	11	163
Eastern Europe	72	172	675
Other Europe	0	0	10
Eastern Asia	104	266	2,281
So. Central Asia	24	158	1,494
SE Asia	182	388	1,684
Western Asia	66	254	414
Other Asia	0	0	82

BORN IN:	0-1.5 MILES	1.5-3 MILES	3-7 MILES
Eastern Africa	0	49	463
Middle Africa	0	0	32
Northern Africa	31	5	132
Southern Africa	0	0	85
Western Africa	0	5	231
Other Africa	0	0	49
Oceania	0	3	61
Caribbean	77	214	842
Central Amer.	83	162	880
South America	66	101	346
North America	18	198	525
Born at sea	0	0	0

Language Summary

The table below provides the percentage of population over the age of 5 who speak these languages within the three site bands. The data is based upon the 2000 Census SF3 dataset.

SPOKEN AT HOME	0-1.5 MILES	1.5-3 MILES	3-7 MILES
English only	16,168	37,982	127,465
Spanish	662	1,468	6,824
Other Indo-Euro language	339	777	4,870
French (incl. Patois, Cajun)	28	110	798
French Creole	14	42	99
Italian	10	19	286
Portuguese	30	34	119
German	48	110	783
Yiddish	0	0	8
Other West Germanic	0	33	136
A Scandinavian Language	0	8	72
Greek	18	31	219
Russian	7	40	326
Polish	7	78	143
Serbo-Croatian	79	124	237
Other Slavic Language	17	7	77
Armenian	1	40	15
Persian	0	0	205
Gujarathi	0	0	126
Hindi	7	38	435
Urdu	19	34	204

SPOKEN AT HOME	0-1.5 MILES	1.5-3 MILES	3-7 MILES
Other Indo-Euro	54	7	197
Asian/PI languages	0	0	0
Chinese	31	77	1,142
Japanese	13	33	442
Korean	51	142	995
Mon-Khmer, Cambodian	0	0	14
Miao, Hmong	0	101	424
Thai	0	11	120
Laotian	0	131	70
Vietnamese	207	336	689
Other Asian	0	81	325
Tagalog	0	5	255
Other Pacific Is	0	9	200
Other languages	76	217	1,511
Navajo	0	0	0
Other Native N. American	9	24	36
Hungarian	0	0	29
Arabic	67	154	677
Hebrew	0	14	84
African languages	0	17	635
Other unspecified	0	8	50

Ancestry Summary

The table below provides the percentage of population with a historical national heritage within the three site bands. The data is based upon the 2000 Census SF3 dataset.

ANCESTRY	0-1.5 MILES	1.5-3 MILES	3-7 MILES
Reporting ancestry	14,675	34,337	123,262
Arab	108	327	1,315
Armenian	3	95	156
Austrian	49	34	202
British	60	134	547
Canadian	68	113	536
Croatian	38	53	151
Czech	40	76	398
Czechoslovak	2	88	192
Danish	41	111	351
Dutch	420	1,033	3,045
English	1,330	3,019	10,790
European	191	382	1,466
Finnish	57	132	724
French (not Basque)	453	1,030	2,700
French Canadian	231	561	1,551
German	2,572	6,418	20,534
Greek	26	43	638
Hungarian	56	163	668
Iranian	0	0	179

ANCESTRY	0-1.5 MILES	1.5-3 MILES	3-7 MILES
Irish	1,254	2,779	9,531
Italian	415	889	4,695
Lithuanian	23	99	275
Norwegian	186	292	1,087
Polish	386	1,442	5,657
Portuguese	19	60	71
Romanian	12	44	178
Russian	33	137	853
Scandinavian	1	37	193
Scotch-Irish	162	347	1,452
Scottish	170	576	1,990
Slovak	23	56	199
Subsaharan African	194	478	1,727
Swedish	162	388	1,815
Swiss	8	57	236
Ukrainian	63	48	469
US/American	1,137	2,572	6,549
Welsh	26	95	481
West Indian	24	109	414
Yugoslavian	78	74	195
Other	4,554	9,947	39,053

Using the Demographic Indicators

Below are some issues related to the demographic indicators that you may want to consider as you review this site as a potential location for a new ministry or new congregation.

Issues for Your Consideration

1. The Demoscope information on page 19 highlights the rate of population change at the site compared to its county from 1990 to a projected date 5 years from the current year. What changes do you see over time? How significant is this site location as a percentage of the county? Is this a growing, plateauing or declining location?
2. The age categories on pages 15 and 20 clearly indicate the site population in various age-graded groups. Which age groups are the largest at this site? What changes are projected in the next 5 years? What implications does this have for small groups and other ministries?
3. The racial/ethnic and education categories listed on pages 16 & 21 provide a window into the type of people that need to be reached at the site. What is the dominant racial/ethnic category that needs to be reached? What do the educational levels tell you about the ways in which you need to design your outreach and discipleship? What implications arise from the changes that are projected in the next 5 years?

Using the Demographic Indicators

Issues for Your Consideration - continued

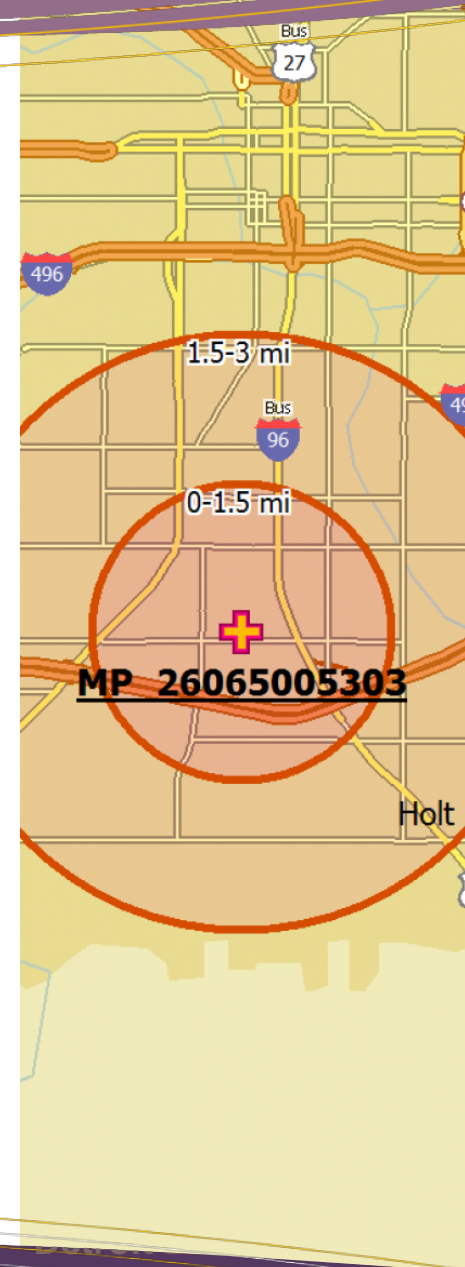
4. Socioeconomics has a profound effect on many aspects of ministry and missional design. Pages 17 & 22 highlight income categories at the site compared to county percentages and 5 year projections. What are the dominant economic categories for this location? How does this site compare to the rest of the country? How do family and non-family households compare economically at this site? What implications arise from the changes projected over the next 5 years? What are the implications for missional ministry?
5. A summary of family and non-family households, housing units, households by size and households by count of persons for both the site, the county and 5 year projections are listed on pages 18 & 23. What are the primary family types for this location? How does this site compare to the rest of the county? What changes are anticipated over the next 5 years? What are the implications for missional ministry?
6. The ethnic summary on pages 24, 25 & 26 provide an overview of the foreign-born population, language diversity and ancestry. From this information which groups of people are most significant at this site and in comparison to the country? How does this impact the development of new ministries and new congregations at this site?



Unreached Households by Lifestyle Segment

In recent years, both George Barna and George Gallup have completed national polls that indicate that approximately 30% to 32% of the US population consider themselves "evangelical." However, their polling process interviews about 1000 statistically sampled people from which they derive this number. Simmons Market Research Bureau, the oldest and most authoritative source for market research in the US today, has conducted a similar poll. However, their methodology interviews approximately 27,000 people across the US. Their survey found that 31.9% of the US population consider themselves to be evangelical. The large sampling size enables IICM to cross reference their findings across the 60 MOSAIC lifestyle segments in the US. From this IICM has created an "Evangeliscape dataset" that establishes the extent to which each of the 60 MOSAIC lifestyle segments are unreached in your site location.

This section of your MissionSite report provides one view of the number of households in your area that have not been reached with the gospel. To obtain a full Evangeliscape report of your area you will want to purchase a TRIBALDEX report at MissionalContext.org. To create a neighborhood level map of the unreached status of your missional site area you will want to subscribe to the IICM mapping site at MissionalCulturescape.org.



Unreached Households by Lifestyle Segment

The table below lists 18 lifestyle segments in three social groups, A-Affluent Suburbia, B-Upscale America, and C-Small Town Success. For the 0-1.5 mile ring, the number of households is listed together with the percent of the band in that segment. The number of unreached households is also listed together with the percent of the total unreached that are in the segment.

2010 MOSAIC HHlds	0-1.5 HH & Percent		Unreached HH & Percent	
Total	7,843	100%	5,461	100%
AFFLUENT SUBURBIA	227	2.89%	157	2.87%
America's Wealthiest	0	0%	0	0%
Dream Weavers	0	0%	0	0%
White Collar Suburbia	0	0%	0	0%
Upscale Suburbia	0	0%	0	0%
Enterprising Couples	0	0%	0	0%
Small Town Success	220	2.81%	152	2.78%
New Suburbia Fam.	7	0.09%	5	0.09%
UPSCALE AMERICA	332	4.23%	231	4.23%
Status Conscious Consumers	0	0%	0	0%
Affluent Urban Professionals	0	0%	0	0%
Urban Commuter Fam.	245	3.12%	164	3%
Solid Suburban Mix	74	0.94%	57	1.04%
2nd Generation Success	0	0%	0	0%
Successful Urban Sprawl	13	0.17%	10	0.18%
SM TWN SUCCESS	85	1.08%	55	1.01%
2nd City Homebodies	0	0%	0	0%
Prime Middle America	56	0.71%	36	0.66%
Urban Optimists	15	0.19%	10	0.18%
Family Convenience	10	0.13%	6	0.11%
Mid-Market Enterprise	4	0.05%	3	0.05%

Unreached Households by Lifestyle Segment

The table below lists 15 lifestyle segments in three social groups, D-Blue Collar Backbone, E-American Diversity, and F-Metro Fringe. For the 0-1.5 mile ring, the number of households is listed together with the percent of the band in that segment. The number of unreached households is also listed together with the percent of the total unreached that are in the segment.

2010 MOSAIC HHlds	0-1.5 HH & Percent		Unreached HH & Percent	
Total	7,843	100%	5,461	100%
BLUE COLLAR BACKBONE	12	0.15%	8	0.15%
Nuevo Hispanic Fam.	0	0%	0	0%
Working Rural Suburbia	0	0%	0	0%
Lower Income Essentials	4	0.05%	3	0.05%
Small Town Endeavors	8	0.1%	5	0.09%
AMER. DIVERSITY	556	7.09%	410	7.51%
Ethnic Urban Mix	0	0%	0	0%
Urban Blues	162	2.07%	104	1.9%
Professional Urbanites	0	0%	0	0%
Urban Advancement	0	0%	0	0%
Amer. Great Outdoors	76	0.97%	49	0.9%
Mature America	318	4.05%	257	4.71%
METRO FRINGE	4,717	60.14%	3,236	59.26%
Steadfast Conservative	4,024	51.31%	2,758	50.5%
Moderate Conventionalists	477	6.08%	320	5.86%
Southern Blues	58	0.74%	41	0.75%
Urban Grit	158	2.01%	117	2.14%
Grass-Roots Living	0	0%	0	0%



Unreached Households by Lifestyle Segment

The table below lists 13 lifestyle segments in three social groups, G-Remote America, H-Aspiring Contemporaries, and I-Rural Villages & Farms. For the 0-1.5 mile ring, the number of households is listed together with the percent of the band in that segment. The number of unreached households is also listed together with the percent of the total unreached that are in the segment.

2010 MOSAIC HHids	0-1.5 HH & Percent		Unreached HH & Percent	
Total	7,843	100%	5,461	100%
REMOTE AMERICA	12	0.15%	7	0.13%
Hardy Rural Fam.	0	0%	0	0%
Rural Southern Living	12	0.15%	7	0.13%
Coal & Crops	0	0%	0	0%
Native America	0	0%	0	0%
ASPIRING CONTEMP'S	781	9.96%	559	10.24%
Young Cosmopolitans	0	0%	0	0%
Minority Metro Communities	66	0.84%	49	0.9%
Stable Careers	583	7.43%	421	7.71%
Aspiring Hispania	132	1.68%	89	1.63%
RURAL VILLAGES & FARMS	0	0%	0	0%
Industrious Country Living	0	0%	0	0%
America's Farmland	0	0%	0	0%
Comfy Country Living	0	0%	0	0%
Small Town Connections	0	0%	0	0%
Hinterland Fam.	0	0%	0	0%



Unreached Households by Lifestyle Segment

The table below lists 14 lifestyle segments in three social groups, J-Struggling Societies, K-Urban Essence, and L-Varying Lifestyles. For each the 0-1.5 mile ring, the number of households is listed together with the percent of the band in that segment. The number of unreached households is also listed together with the percent of the total unreached that are in the segment.

2010 MOSAIC HHids	0-1.5 HH & Percent		Unreached HH & Percent	
Total	7,843	100%	5,461	100%
STRUGGLING SOCIETIES	2	0.03%	2	0.04%
Rugged Southern Style	0	0%	0	0%
Latino Nuevo	0	0%	0	0%
Struggling city Centers	0	0%	0	0%
College Town Communities	2	0.03%	2	0.04%
New Beginnings	0	0%	0	0%
URBAN ESSENCE	1,118	14.25%	796	14.58%
Unattached Multicultures	0	0%	0	0%
Academic Necessities	0	0%	0	0%
Af. Amer. Neighborhoods	375	4.78%	262	4.8%
Urban Diversity	423	5.39%	305	5.59%
New Generation Activists	167	2.13%	112	2.05%
Getting By	153	1.95%	117	2.14%
VARYING LIFESTYLES	0	0%	0	0%
Military Family Life	0	0%	0	0%
Major University Towns	0	0%	0	0%
Gray Perspectives	0	0%	0	0%

Identifying Focus Groups in this Location

Within the 0-1.5 mile, 1.5-3 mile and 3-7 mile bands of this site location, there are several types of people groups including ethnic, lifestyle, lifestage, and socio-religious people groups. A focus group is a group of people to whom you feel especially called to reach. Below are some suggestions regarding identifying focus groups in this site location.

Issues for Your Consideration

1. Review the current demographic summary on pages 14-18 for this site location. What demographic groups are prevalent in this particular site location?
2. Next take a look at the projected demographic summary on pages 19-23. What increase or decrease is expected for these groups in this site location?
3. Review the current ethnic summary on pages 24-26. What ethnic groups are prevalent in this site location?
4. Review the unreached households by lifestyle segment on pages 30-33. Which social groups have the largest number of unreached households? Which lifestyle groups have a significant number of unreached households?
5. Compile your answers to numbers 1 through 4 and begin prayerfully prioritizing the list of people groups that you could attempt to reach in this location. Which groupings would appear to culturally "fit" together well? Which groups likely need special consideration in developing a culturally appropriate new missional ministry or congregation?

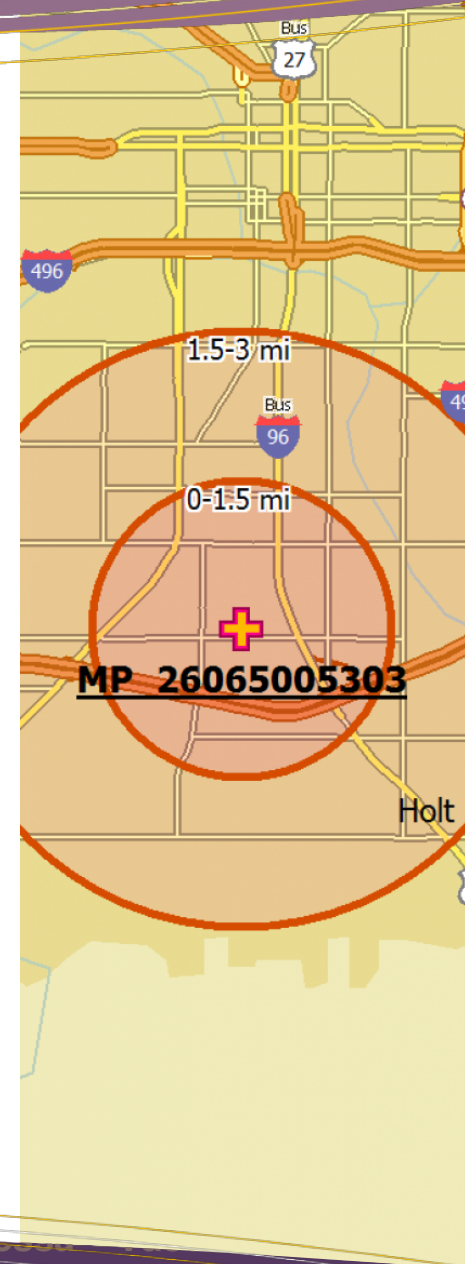
Potential Cultural Bridges

Donald McGavran in his book, *The Bridges of God*, emphasized the need for people to come to faith within the context of their own culture. "People like to become Christians without crossing racial, linguistic, or class barriers." In addition, research into evangelism suggests that most people come to faith in Christ as the result of the witness of a Christian with whom they have a close personal relationship (mostly a friend or a relative).

Missional congregations intentionally release their people to permeate the community in order to develop relational bridges across which they can present Christ. These relational bridges usually are established in some context: arts & cultural organizations, sports teams and sporting events, park & recreational facility use, community organizations, community cultural events, and community social concerns and needs.

Thus, cultural bridges are those characteristics that could be used to build relationships with people in the lifestyle group. Various activities, interests, or opinions (AIO) represented among the consumer behavior characteristics of the lifestyle groups in the community offer ways for believers to build relationships with people in those lifestyle groups and through that relationship impact them for Christ.

[i] McGavran, Donald A. *The Bridges of God*. Revised edition. (New York: Friendship Press, 1981).



Potential Cultural Bridges

The tables below list 20 consumer behavior variables related to computer and internet use at this mission site. For each of the three bands - 0-1.5 miles, 1.5-3 miles, 3-7 miles - the percent of the households in the missional site location that participate in the activity is given. For more detailed information, you can order a MISSIONDEX report that provides 497 consumer behavior and attitudinal variables, each broken down by the participation percent within each lifestyle segment and social group within your missional site location at MissionalContext.org

BRIDGES	0-1.5 MILES	1.5-3 MILES	3-7 MILES
PC-HH Own	74%	76%	76%
Use Comp. for Internet/E-mail	56%	59%	61%
Internet Use: E-Mail	46%	49%	51%
Use Comp. for Comp. Games	37%	38%	37%
Use Comp. for Word Processing	36%	37%	37%
Use Comp. for Shopping	33%	35%	34%
Use Comp. for Banking	30%	32%	32%
Use Comp. for Education	30%	32%	33%
Use Comp. for Digital Camera	29%	32%	32%
Photo Editing			
Internet Use: News/ Weather	26%	28%	31%

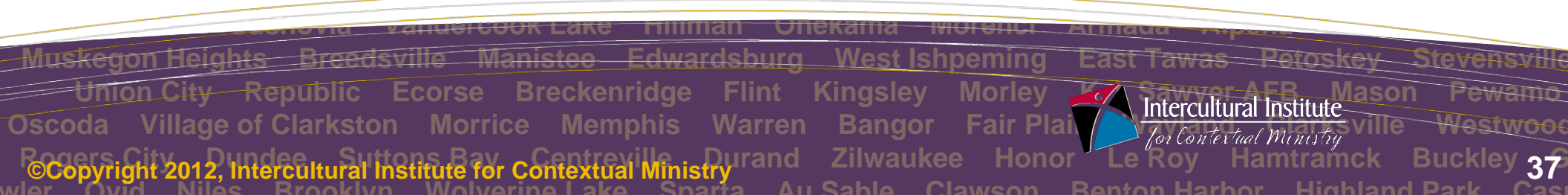
BRIDGES	0-1.5 MILES	1.5-3 MILES	3-7 MILES
HH Owns DVD Player	26%	27%	29%
Internet Use: Banking	23%	26%	26%
Use Comp. for News/Info./Data Service	22%	24%	24%
PC-Network-HH Has One	15%	18%	17%
Internet Use: Research/ Education	13%	13%	15%
Internet Use: Shopping: Gathered Info. for Shopping	12%	12%	13%
Use Comp. for Personal Financial Mngmnt	12%	13%	14%
Internet Use: Read Magazines/ Newspapers	12%	11%	12%
HH Owns Video/Webcam	11%	10%	10%
Use Comp. for Accounting	11%	12%	12%

Potential Cultural Bridges

The tables below lists 20 consumer behavior variables related to top leisure activities, auto maintenance, prescription drug use, and diet control at this mission site. For each of the three bands - 0-1.5 miles, 1.5-3 miles, 3-7 miles - the percent of the households in the entire missional site location that participate in the activity is given. For more detailed information, you can order a MISSIONDEX report that provides 497 consumer behavior and attitudinal variables, each broken down by the participation percent within each lifestyle segment and social group within your missional site location at MissionalContext.org.

BRIDGES	0-1.5 MILES	1.5-3 MILES	3-7 MILES
Listening To Music	66%	68%	69%
Dining Out (Not Fast Food)	55%	58%	58%
Reading Books	52%	55%	55%
Card Games	40%	41%	41%
Cooking for Fun	34%	37%	39%
Go To A Beach/Lake	34%	35%	35%
Board Games	32%	34%	33%
Gardening	31%	33%	32%
Going To	20%	22%	22%
Bars/Nightclubs/Dancing			
Visit Zoo	18%	18%	19%

BRIDGES	0-1.5 MILES	1.5-3 MILES	3-7 MILES
Any Ailment	66%	67%	66%
Gen./Fam. Practitioner	41%	41%	40%
Dentist	26%	27%	28%
Eye Dr.	22%	21%	21%
Backache	21%	21%	21%
None Of These	21%	21%	22%
Hypertension/High Blood Pressure	20%	20%	19%
High Cholesterol	18%	18%	17%
Any Arthritis	16%	14%	14%
Overweight (30 Pounds Or More)	14%	14%	13%



Potential Cultural Bridges

The tables below lists 20 consumer behavior variables related to attending performances, movies and sporting events at this mission site. For each of the three bands - 0-1.5 miles, 1.5-3 miles, 3-7 miles - the percent of the households in the entire missional site location that participate in the activity is given. For more detailed information, you can order a MISSIONDEX report that provides 497 consumer behavior and attitudinal variables, each broken down by the participation percent within each lifestyle segment and social group within your missional site location at MissionalContext.org.

BRIDGES	0-1.5 MILES	1.5-3 MILES	3-7 MILES
Concert	26.55%	29.27%	29.45%
Live Theater	18.4%	20.85%	21.51%
Rock/Pop Concerts Most Often	15.14%	17.38%	17.2%
Live Theater Most Often	14.8%	17.25%	17.71%
Comedy Club	10.02%	9.63%	9.42%
Dance Performance	8.78%	9.04%	9.24%
Movies: Comedy	36.68%	37.17%	38.41%
Movies: Action/Adventure	36.01%	37.61%	37.65%
Movies: Drama	18.73%	19.46%	19.83%

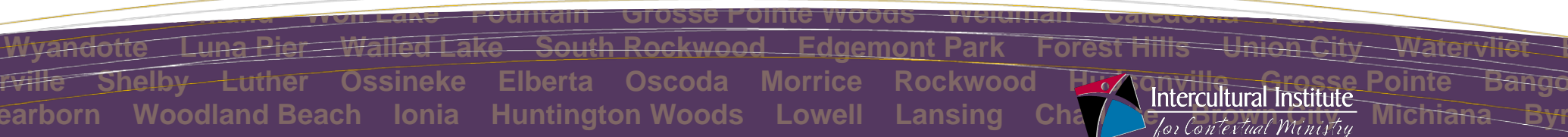
BRIDGES	0-1.5 MILES	1.5-3 MILES	3-7 MILES
Movies: Romantic Comedy	18.35%	19.13%	20.29%
Movies: Fam.	18.32%	18.99%	19.49%
Movies: Mystery	15.47%	16.53%	16.66%
MLB Baseball Reg. Season	7.15%	7.4%	7.86%
NFL Football Reg. Season	6.19%	6.2%	6.35%
College Football Reg. Season	4.89%	6.07%	6.31%
NBA Basketball Reg. Season	3.21%	3.31%	3.43%
NHL Hockey Reg. Season	3.18%	2.82%	3.11%
College Basketball Reg. Season	2.9%	3.96%	4.32%

Potential Cultural Bridges

The tables below lists 28 consumer behavior variables related to fitness participation at this mission site. For each of the three bands - 0-1.5 miles, 1.5-3 miles, 3-7 miles - the percent of the households in the entire missional site location that participate in the activity is given. For more detailed information, you can order a MISSIONDEX report that provides 497 consumer behavior and attitudinal variables, each broken down by the participation percent within each lifestyle segment and social group within your missional site location at MissionalContext.org

BRIDGES	0-1.5 MILES	1.5-3 MILES	3-7 MILES
Walking for Exercise	39.2%	40.95%	40.59%
Swimming	30.91%	32.31%	34.33%
Bowling	20.54%	21.89%	21.54%
Billiards/Pool	18.35%	21.17%	20.97%
Freshwater Fishing	16.63%	16.94%	15.34%
Camping Trips	16.12%	15.41%	14.9%
Weight Training	14.59%	15.72%	15.99%
Jogging/Running	13.54%	15.43%	15.66%
Basketball	13.49%	15.71%	15.5%
Using Cardio Machine	13.18%	14.15%	14.55%
Mountain/Road Biking	12.46%	14.45%	14.73%
Stationary Cycling	11.78%	12.34%	12.25%
Baseball	11.43%	11.72%	12.55%
Golf	11.17%	14.21%	14.65%

BRIDGES	0-1.5 MILES	1.5-3 MILES	3-7 MILES
Backpacking/Hiking	9.87%	10.93%	10.78%
Football	9.23%	11.47%	11.31%
Volleyball	9.18%	9.06%	10.04%
Target Shooting	9.14%	9.18%	8.25%
Aerobics	9.08%	9.61%	10.01%
Hunting	8.71%	8.52%	7.68%
Softball	7.83%	8.19%	8.24%
Power Boating	7.32%	7.98%	8%
Yoga	7.21%	8.01%	8.03%
Canoeing/Kayaking	7.15%	6.88%	6.78%
Soccer	7.11%	8.16%	8.32%
Saltwater Fishing	6.53%	6.6%	6.45%
Tennis	6.37%	7.47%	8.13%
Motorcycling	6.24%	6.25%	5.85%



Potential Cultural Bridges

The tables below lists 20 consumer behavior variables related to fitness participation at this mission site. For each of the three bands - 0-1.5 miles, 1.5-3 miles, 3-7 miles - the percent of the households in the entire missional site location that participate in the activity is given. However, you can order a MISSIONDEX report that provides 497 consumer behavior and attitudinal variables, each broken down by the participation percent within each lifestyle segment and social group within your missional site location at MissionalContext.org

BRIDGES	0-1.5 MILES	1.5-3 MILES	3-7 MILES
Roller Skating	5.9%	6.47%	6.49%
Ice Skating	5.22%	5.85%	6.05%
Horseback Riding	5.2%	5.47%	5.25%
Downhill & X-Country Skiing	4.82%	4.86%	6.31%
Archery	4.81%	4.71%	4.19%
Water Skiing	4.27%	4.86%	4.93%
Fly Fishing	4.16%	4.43%	4.13%
Snorkeling	4.15%	4.43%	5.76%
Racquetball	4.1%	4.07%	4.26%
Jet Skiing	4.04%	4.97%	5.2%

BRIDGES	0-1.5 MILES	1.5-3 MILES	3-7 MILES
Hockey	3.97%	3.94%	4.14%
Rock Climbing	3.8%	4.18%	3.98%
Snowmobiling	3.73%	3.73%	3.84%
Snowboarding	3.62%	4.02%	4.26%
Martial Arts	3.57%	3.6%	3.61%
Auto Racing	3.54%	3.54%	3.11%
Skateboarding	3.19%	3.21%	3.39%
Rowing	2.91%	2.88%	2.67%
Sailing	2.78%	2.96%	3.5%
Surfing & Windsurfing	2.63%	2.79%	3.2%

Potential Cultural Barriers -- Introduction (part 1)

Most community barriers are related to some aspect of culture that stand in the way of some segments of society having the understanding or acceptance necessary to come to faith in Jesus Christ. These barriers inhibit the flow of the gospel within a people grouping. Other types of barriers include biblical barriers and ecclesial barriers.

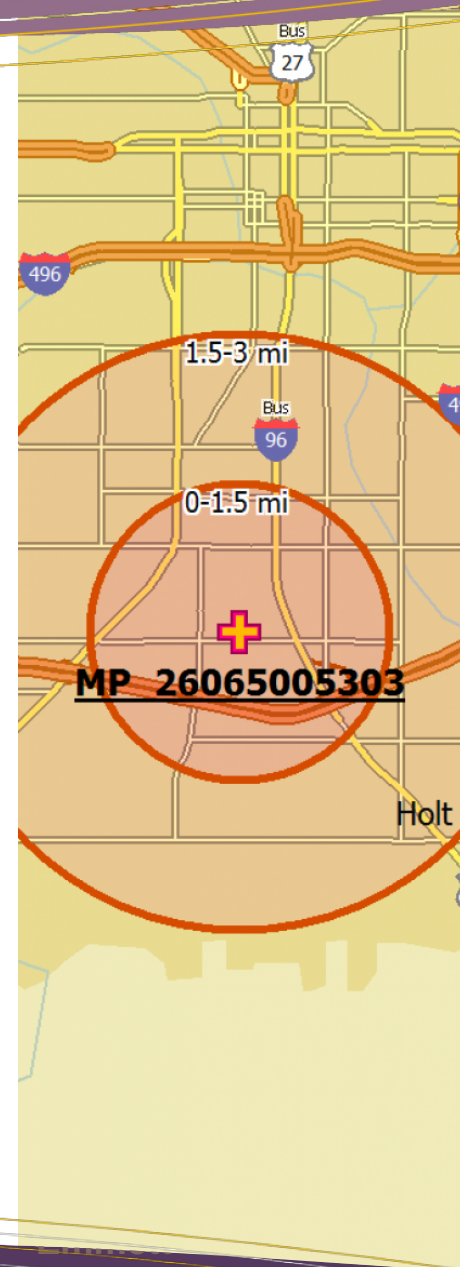
BIBLICAL BARRIERS

The term Biblical barriers, is used to describe aspects of biblical truth that are offensive to the community. Biblical barriers can be divided into two types: 1) barriers based on clear, biblical teaching; 2) barriers based on the cultural application of biblical principles. Barriers caused by clear, biblical teaching cannot be eliminated without compromising the truth of scripture. Application barriers should be re-evaluated in light of the culture of the people group to verify that the application is transcultural instead of culture-specific.

ECCLESIAL BARRIERS

Ecclesial barriers are barriers that arise from the perceptions that people outside the church have of the church, its people, its programming, and its leadership. In a classic study of the attitudes of the unchurched, people were asked: "What keeps people like you from considering the Christian faith?" Approximately 75 percent of unchurched people answered the question by referring to an ecclesial barrier. "They resist becoming Christians because they 'don't want to become like church people'"[i]

[i] Hunter, George G., Jr. Church for the Unchurched. (Smyrna: Abingdon Press, 1996), 59.



Potential Cultural Barriers -- Introduction (part 2)

CULTURAL BARRIERS OF UNDERSTANDING

Cultural barriers may impede either understanding or acceptance. Cultural barriers of understanding occur because of problems with the communication of the message. Often people do not understand the gospel when it is presented to them.

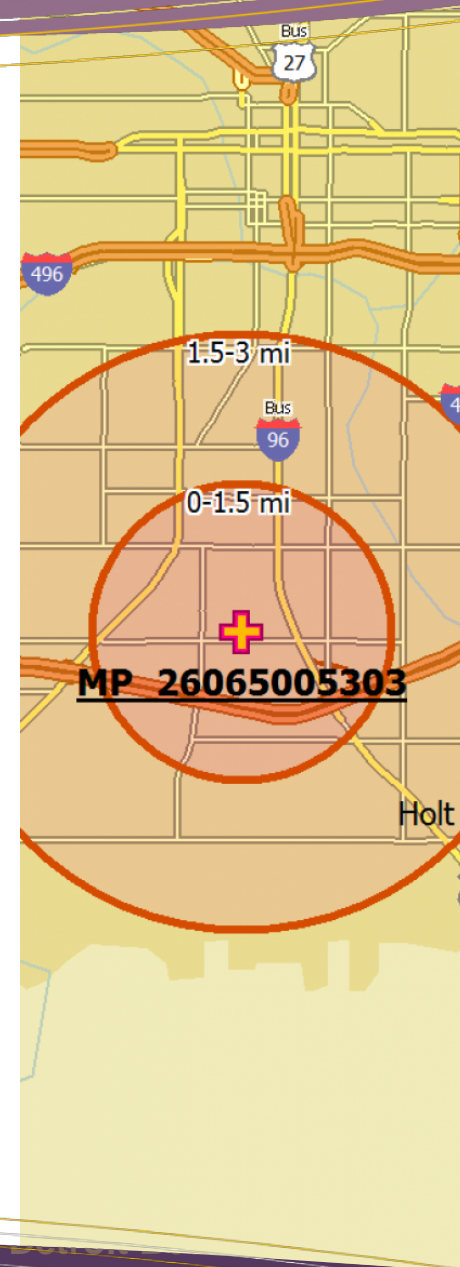
CULTURAL BARRIERS OF ACCEPTANCE

Christian Subculture

Cultural barriers of acceptance occur because of a variety of problems, including those related to the Christian sub-culture as well as the culture of the hearer. Sometimes unchurched people have understood that they must adopt the evangelical Christian subculture in order to come to faith -- and become like "church people" -- including dressing like them, participating in all of the church functions and activities, passively following church leadership, not questioning aspects of Christian faith and beliefs, and ignoring the poor and minorities.

Unreached People Group

Sometimes cultural aspects from within the unchurched people group -- currently held values, attitudes & behaviors are seen as antithetical to Christianity, which inhibits them from coming to faith. Some aspects of culture may be redeemed for God's glory and used to please him. Other cultural aspects are so perverted by sin that they cannot be used without syncretizing. In order to identify cultural barriers of acceptance, missional congregations develop relationships within the cultural group and seek to understand who they are and what an indigenous church would look like among them in order to eliminate unnecessary barriers that have been identified that the missionary should consider in reaching out to the lifestyle segments in this site location.



Potential Cultural Barriers:

The tables below list 24 personal attitude variables related to cultural barriers at this mission site. For each of the three bands -- 0-1.5 miles, 1.5-3 miles, 3-7 miles -- the percent of the household in the entire missional site location that participate in the activity is given. For more detailed information, you can order a MISSIONDEX report that provides 497 consumer behavior and attitudinal variables, each broken down by the participation percent within each lifestyle segment and social group within your missional site location at MissionalContext.org.

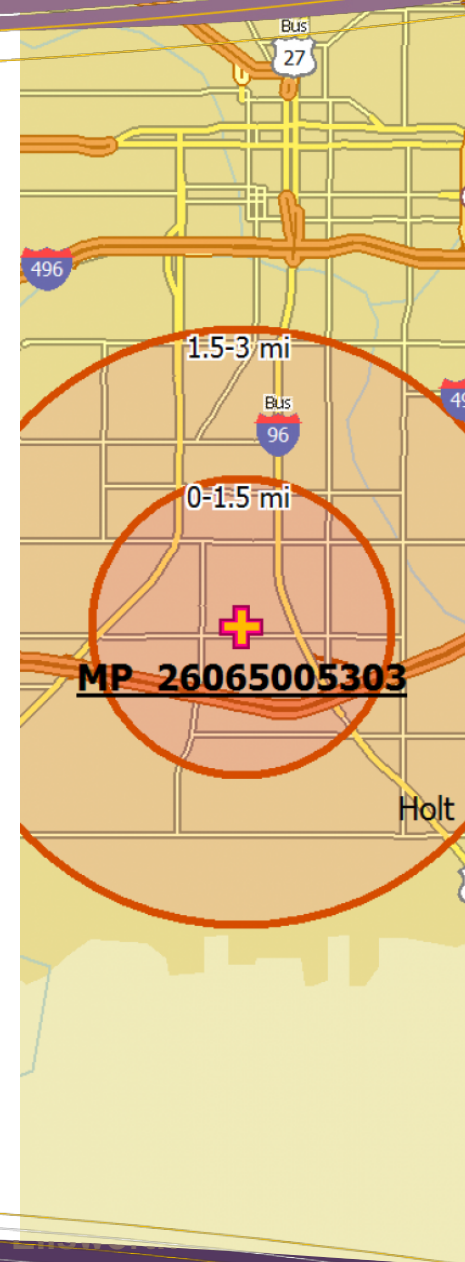
BARRIERS	0-1.5 MILES	1.5-3 MILES	3-7 MILES
Important Continue Learning New Things	48%	48%	47%
Speak My Mind Even If It Upsets People	36%	36%	35%
Prefer To Have Few Possessions As Possible	35%	37%	38%
Like Control Over People And Resources	34%	33%	32%
Find It Difficult To Say No To My Kids	34%	37%	38%
Woman's Place Is In The Home	33%	33%	32%
Like To Do Unconventional Things	29%	27%	26%
Don't Judge People/Way They Live Life	27%	28%	29%
Friends More Important Than My Fam.	27%	27%	27%
Money Is Best Measure Of Success	26%	26%	26%
If Won Lottery Would Never Work Again	25%	28%	28%
Too Much Sponsorship In Arts/Sports	24%	23%	23%

BARRIERS	0-1.5 MILES	1.5-3 MILES	3-7 MILES
Like To Pursue Challenge/Novelty/Change	19%	19%	19%
Like to Stand Out In A Crowd	19%	20%	20%
Marijuana Should Be Legalized	19%	19%	19%
Rarely Sit Down to a Meal Together At Home	16%	16%	15%
I Am A Workaholic	16%	19%	18%
Only Work Current Job for The Money	15%	14%	13%
We Should Strive for Equality for All	13%	13%	13%
Happy With My Standard Of Living	12%	14%	16%
On Whole People Get What They Deserve	11%	12%	12%
Indulge My Kids With The Little Extras	10%	10%	10%
Little I Can Do To Change My Life	8%	7%	7%
I Am A Perfectionist	8%	9%	8%

Potential Cultural Themes

Typically many Christians explain the gospel the way it was presented to them. However, today many nonbelievers in North America do not have a Christian background nor do they have any interest in the Christian Church or Christianity. Because of this the gospel messages that they have "heard" (with their ears or eyes on TV) has not registered in their mind, heart or soul -- truly they have not actually "heard" (in the Biblical sense of the word) the gospel yet. They need to hear the gospel in a way that grips them where they live.

Cultural themes that arise from their attitudes, beliefs, and life stories provide a significant way for missionaries to share the gospel in their own terms. Just as missionaries in Papua New Guinea shared the story of the legendary "peace child" that a jungle tribe anticipated from their folklore, so too missionaries to this site location need to take "themes" out of the culture to use in sharing the gospel in a fresh and culturally appropriate way. This section provides many significant themes that may be considered as a basis for developing a contextual gospel presentation to people in this site location.



Potential Cultural Themes:

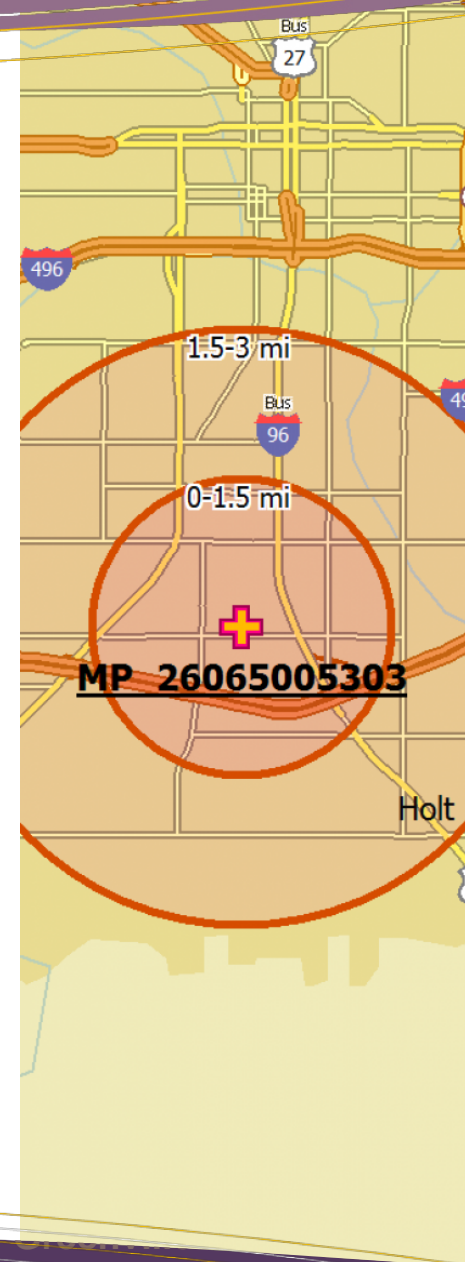
The tables below list 24 personal attitude variables related to cultural themes at this mission site. For each of the three bands-- 0-1.5 miles, 1.5-3 miles, 3-7 miles -- the percent of the households in the entire missional site location that participate in the activity is given. For more detailed information, you can order a MISSIONDEX report that provides 497 consumer behavior and attitudinal variables, each broken down by the participation percent within each lifestyle segment and social group within your missional site location at MissionalContext.org.

THEMES	0-1.5 MILES	1.5-3 MILES	3-7 MILES
Important To Respect Customs And Beliefs	57%	59%	60%
You Should Seize Opportunities In Life	56%	57%	56%
Like To Understand About Nature	36%	38%	37%
Prefer To Have Few Possessions As Possible	35%	37%	38%
Important Feel Respected By My Peers	34%	34%	33%
Prefer Work Part Of Team Than Alone	33%	34%	33%
Important To Juggle Various Tasks	31%	30%	30%
Good At Fixing Things	29%	29%	31%
Have Keen Sense Of Adventure	26%	28%	28%
Like To Just Enjoy Life	24%	23%	23%
People Have To Take Me As They Find Me	21%	21%	22%
Consider Myself Interested In The Arts	19%	18%	18%

THEMES	0-1.5 MILES	1.5-3 MILES	3-7 MILES
Worried About Pollution Caused By Cars	18%	20%	22%
Is An Important Part Of Who I Am	17%	15%	15%
Looking for New Ideas To Improve Home	16%	16%	15%
Real Men Don't Cry	16%	15%	15%
Try Not To Worry About The Future	14%	14%	14%
Provide My Kids With The Little Extras	13%	14%	13%
Enjoy Spending Time With My Fam.	13%	12%	12%
Children Should Be Allowed To Express Themselves	8%	7%	7%
Feel Very Alone In The World	6%	5%	5%
Like Spending Most Time With Fam.	6%	6%	5%
Would Like To Set Up Own Business	4%	3%	3%
Decor Particular Interest To Me	4%	4%	5%

Potential Shared Places

While missional strategy is important, unless someone begins a missional relationship with a non-believer and shares the gospel with them the missional strategy is ineffective. A key component of missions is "hanging out" with lost people in order to build relationships and to allow the Holy Spirit to use us in moving them toward the claims of the gospel. This section provides some ideas of where to hang out -- where to meet people in the lifestyle segment you are attempting to reach.



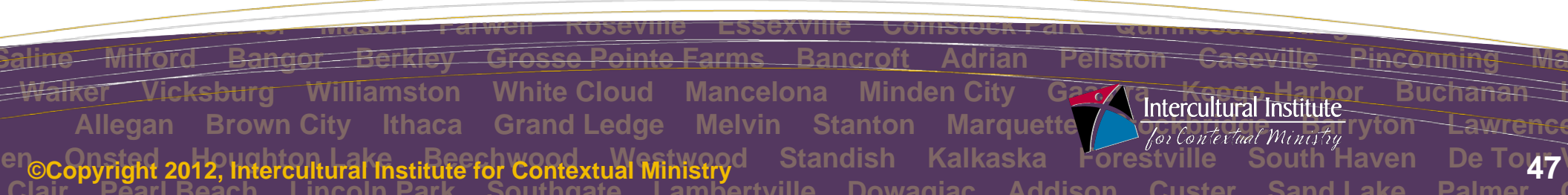
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Potential Shared Places:

The tables below list 24 shared variables related to shared places at this mission site. For each of the three bands - 0-1.5 miles, 1.5-3 miles, 3-7 miles -- the percent of the households in the entire missional site location that frequent the place is given. However, you can order a MISSIONDEX report that provides 497 consumer behavior and attitudinal variables, each broken down by the participation percent within each lifestyle segment and social group within your missional site location at MissionalContext.org.

PLACE	0-1.5 MILES	1.5-3 MILES	3-7 MILES
Fast Food/Drive-In	84.71%	85.37%	83.96%
Restaurant-Visit Any			
Fam. Restaurants/Steak	79.49%	81.17%	81.27%
Houses-Visit Any			
McDonald's	54.56%	55.33%	54.55%
Burger King	40%	39.07%	38.18%
Subway	29.11%	31.05%	29.86%
Taco Bell	28.67%	28.86%	28.39%
Wendy's	28.28%	29.59%	29.2%
Applebee's	27.9%	30.59%	30.38%
Kentucky Fried Chicken (KFC)	27.09%	27.98%	27.57%
Pizza Hut	22.26%	22.08%	20.96%
Arby's	21.34%	22.14%	21.01%
Olive Garden	19.67%	19.95%	19.62%

PLACE	0-1.5 MILES	1.5-3 MILES	3-7 MILES
Dairy Queen	17.82%	18.42%	16.95%
Red Lobster	16.44%	17.17%	16.64%
Domino's Pizza	14.58%	15.4%	15.03%
IHOP (International House Of Pancakes)	14.09%	14.89%	14.41%
Denny's	14.04%	14.15%	13.38%
Sonic	12.79%	13.62%	13.09%
Outback Steakhouse	12.35%	13.62%	14.12%
Cracker Barrel	12.33%	14.35%	13.72%
Chick-Fil-A	11.4%	12.62%	12.51%
Golden Corral	11.37%	12.52%	11.19%
Chili's Grill and Bar	10.92%	12.95%	13.14%
Dunkin' Donuts	10.86%	11.27%	11.55%

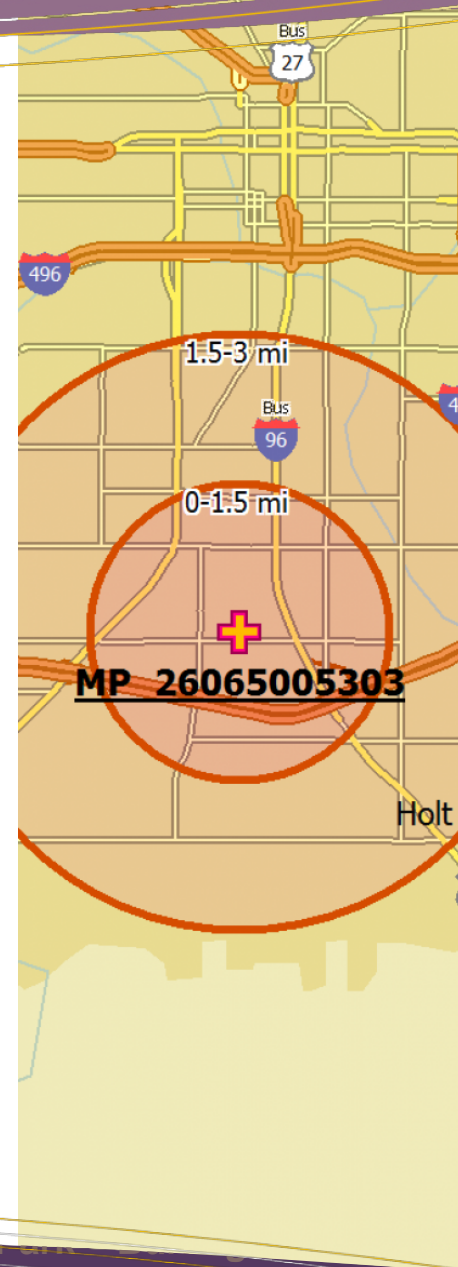


Potential Shared Projects

Shared projects are those social or community projects in which people at this site location are involved that Christians could join in with them as a means of developing relationships while "serving with them." So often Christians either expect nonbelievers to come to them ("come to our church service or event") or the church creates a social type activity (church softball league, etc) in the community to invite nonbelievers to attend or join. These type of church-sponsored events and activities are often intimidating to a nonbeliever.

Shared projects are community activities that already exist in the missional site location in which nonbelievers are already participating. When missional believers, who live in the community, join community organizations and participate in community events, they have opportunities to be salt and light in their neighborhoods.

This section of the MissionSite report provides a list of common community activities together with the percentage of the site location that we would expect to be already participating. Find these community organizations, activities or events and join in with others in your community! What a way to build evangelistic relationships!



Potential Shared Projects

The tables below list 12 attitude variables related to shared projects at this mission site. For each of the three bands-- 0-1.5 miles, 1.5-3 miles, 3-7 miles -- the percent of the households in the entire missional site location that participate in the activity is given. However, you can order a MISSIONDEX report that provides 497 consumer behavior and attitudinal variables, each broken down by the participation percent within each lifestyle segment and social group within your missional site location at MissionalContext.org.

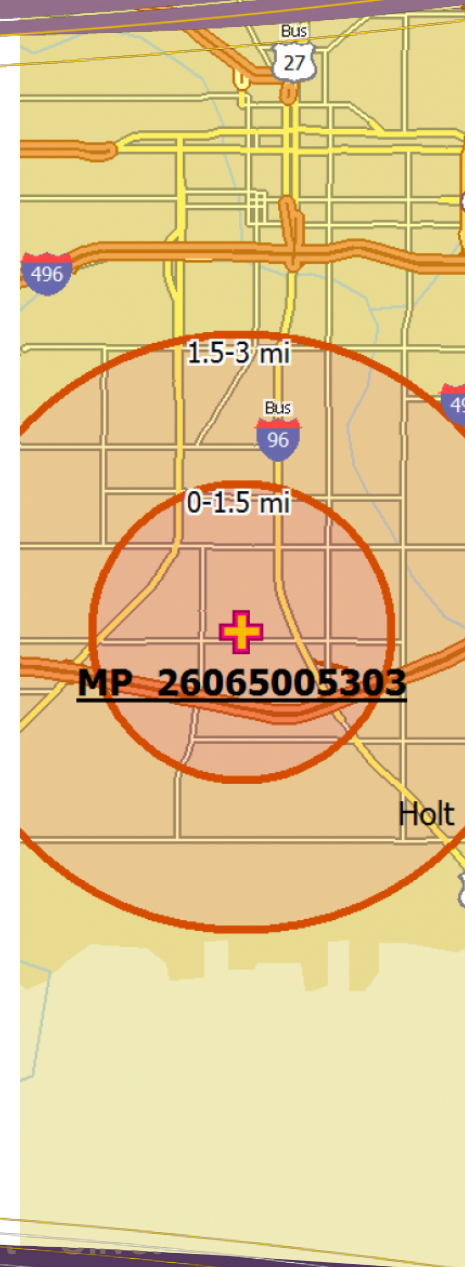
PROJECTS	0-1.5 MILES	1.5-3 MILES	3-7 MILES
Voted in fed/state/local election	46.64%	46.58%	46.16%
Recycled products	34.67%	34.56%	34.85%
Worked as volunteer (non political)	15.45%	16.38%	16.8%
Engaged in fund raising	10.56%	11.29%	11.21%
Religious club member	6.52%	7.1%	7.27%
Wrote to editor of mag or newspaper	5.65%	5.95%	5.94%

PROJECTS	0-1.5 MILES	1.5-3 MILES	3-7 MILES
Wrote to elected offcl about publ bus	5.58%	5.72%	5.92%
Charitable Organization	5.18%	5.3%	5.4%
Union member	5.09%	5.34%	5.23%
Took active part in local civic issue	5.02%	5.25%	5.32%
Fraternal order member	4.83%	4.82%	4.8%
Addressed a public meeting	4.23%	4.55%	4.56%

Communication Media Content

The media-saturated 21st century poses both unique challenges and unique opportunities for missional leaders today. A major challenge you will face in this missional site location is cutting through the many layers of media that bombard your intended audience. Through the din of competing voices, the message of the gospel needs to become a clarion call.

Understanding the type of media content people in your site location use may help you to begin planning a comprehensive media strategy. Combining an understanding of this media content with the cultural bridges, barriers, and themes mentioned on pages 36-45 will enable you to begin shaping targeted messages to your intended audience.



Potential Print Media Content:

The table below list 18 variables related to book and magazine usage at this mission site. For each of the three bands -- 0-1.5 miles, 1.5-3 miles, 3-7 miles -- the percent of the household in the entire missional site location that participate in the activity is given.

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BOOKS	0-1.5 MILES	1.5-3 MILES	3-7 MILES
Novel	15.84%	16.48%	17.24%
Mystery	11.59%	11.6%	11.84%
Children's Books	11.44%	12.4%	12.77%
Cookbooks	10.52%	10.5%	10.54%
Religious (not Bibles)	8.34%	8.71%	8.67%
History	7.31%	6.82%	6.89%
Biography	6.41%	6.51%	6.83%
Romance	6.18%	6.46%	6.57%
Personal/Business	6.12%	6.53%	6.91%
Self-help			

MAGAZINES	0-1.5 MILES	1.5-3 MILES	3-7 MILES
Newspaper	70.29%	70.2%	69.22%
Distributed			
Gen. Editorial	46.55%	47.26%	47.58%
Womens	40.32%	41.98%	42.4%
Service	33.19%	34.15%	34.11%
Mens	20.09%	19.99%	20.25%
Sports	16.12%	16.66%	16.65%
Automotive	15.05%	14.61%	14.02%
Business/Finance	14.81%	16.92%	17.94%
Health	12.93%	13.2%	13.14%

Potential Print & Audio Media Content:

The tables below list 31 variables related to newspaper & radio usage at this mission site. For each of the three bands -- 0-1.5 miles, 1.5-3 miles, 3-7 miles -- the percent of the households in the entire missional site location that participate in the activity is given.

However, you can order a MISSIONDEX report that provides 497 consumer behaviors and attitudinal variables, each broken down by the participation percent within each lifestyle segment and social group within your missional site location at MissionalContext.org.

NEWSPAPERS	0-1.5 MILES	1.5-3 MILES	3-7 MILES
Gen. News	54.41%	54.58%	54.58%
Classified	34.66%	34.65%	33.54%
Sport	33.02%	32.69%	32.41%
Editorial Page	30.24%	29.97%	29.86%
Comics	28.17%	27.99%	27.58%
Business/Finance	27.9%	28.54%	29.04%
Movie Listings & Reviews	26.89%	27.07%	27.24%
TV/Radio Listings	24.9%	23.95%	23.53%
Food/Cooking	24.49%	24.56%	24.65%
Home/Gardening	20.92%	20.73%	20.47%
Travel	18.88%	19.14%	19.37%
Science/Technology	16.86%	17.54%	17.92%
Fashion	13.37%	14%	14.42%

RADIO	0-1.5 MILES	1.5-3 MILES	3-7 MILES
CHR Contemp Hit Radio	20.48%	19.77%	19.76%
Country	20.48%	19.6%	18.5%
Adult Contemporary	17.88%	17.65%	17.58%
Urban Contemporary	14%	15.85%	16.43%
Rock	13.71%	13.75%	13.35%
Oldies	11.38%	11.24%	11.13%
News/Talk	11.31%	11.8%	12.21%
Classic Rock	10.07%	10.54%	10.45%
Alternative	9.67%	9.64%	10.2%
Variety	7.95%	8.35%	8.94%
Soft Contemporary	5.62%	6.2%	6.27%
Religious	5.61%	5.87%	5.96%
Classic Hits	4.61%	4.44%	4.25%
Hispanic	4.4%	3.76%	3.88%
All News	4.35%	4.81%	5.35%
All Talk	3.78%	3.95%	4.21%
Jazz	3.58%	4.75%	5.27%
Sports	3.31%	3.59%	3.92%

Potential Multimedia Content:

The tables below list 24 variables related to television content and delivery at this mission site. For each of the three bands -- 0-1.5 miles, 1.5-3 miles, 3-7 miles -- the percent of the households in the entire missional site location that participate in the activity is given. For more detailed information, you can order a MISSIONDEX report that provides 497 consumer behavior and attitudinal variables, each broken down by the participation percent within each lifestyle segment and social group within your missional site location at MissionalContext.org

MULTIMEDIA: TV	0-1.5 MILES	1.5-3 MILES	3-7 MILES
Fox News Channel	61.03%	62.94%	62.7%
Satellite Dish	49.22%	50.85%	49.88%
Soapnet	48.85%	48.9%	49.9%
Other Video-On-Demand	38.05%	40.03%	38.8%
Sci-Fi Channel	35.1%	35.47%	34.5%
MSNBC	32.09%	34.35%	32.95%
Comedy Central	29.32%	32.11%	33.8%
Adult Pay Per View TV	29.22%	31.25%	30.58%
Nickelodeon	27.25%	27.62%	27.38%
Subscribe Digital Cable	26.94%	26.94%	26.61%
TV Info From Sunday TV Magazine	26.9%	26.45%	27.12%
Adult Swim	24.97%	29.34%	28.1%

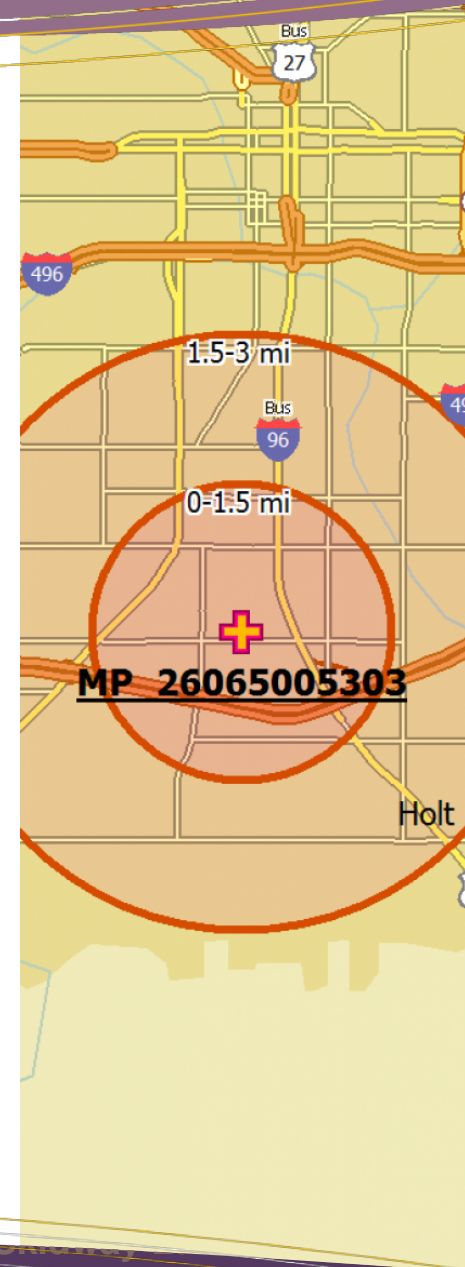
MULTIMEDIA: TV	0-1.5 MILES	1.5-3 MILES	3-7 MILES
BET (Black Entertainment TV)	24.33%	25.88%	25.68%
TV Info From Newspapers	24.23%	25.28%	26.04%
TCM (Turner Classic Movies)	23.78%	24.39%	24.63%
ABC Fam.	23.31%	25.25%	25.61%
USA Network	22.98%	22.76%	22.86%
Nick At Nite	22.75%	25.68%	25.01%
Hallmark Channel	21.78%	23.72%	24.2%
TV Info From Monthly Cable Guide	21.6%	23.18%	23.02%
ESPN2	21.45%	23.33%	23.48%
The Golf Channel	21.31%	23%	22.84%
Lifetime	19.75%	21.06%	20.97%
TV Info From Other	19.09%	19.68%	19.73%

Communication Media Usage

It is not enough to understand the type of media that your intended audience uses. It may also be helpful to understand the extent to which people in your site location use various media types and when they use the media. Media usage is generally measured by frequency or extent. Time usage is measured in blocks of day, night and weekend usage.

Taken together, media content, media usage, and time usage may be combined with demographics, lifestyles, and consumer behavior to paint a picture of who does what and when at the site location.

Each of these components may help you to begin planning a comprehensive media strategy. Combining media with the cultural bridges, barriers, and themes mentioned on pages 36-45 will enable you to deliver targeted messages to your intended audience at times when they are apt to listen.



Potential Print Media Usage:

The tables below list 23 variables related to print media usage at this mission site. For each of the three bands -- 0-1.5 miles, 1.5-3 miles, 3-7 miles -- the percent of the households that participate in the activity or an index value is given. For more detailed information you can order a MISSIONDEX report that provides 497 consumer behavior and attitudinal variables, each broken down by the participation percent within each lifestyle segment and social group within your missional site location at MissionalContext.org.

MEDIUM	0-1.5 MILES	1.5-3 MILES	3-7 MILES
Book Readers			
Heavy Users (7+)	18.24%	19.49%	20.19%
Medium Users (4-6)	10.39%	10.44%	10.58%
Light Users (1-3)	21.28%	21.21%	20.96%
Quintiles (20%)			
Newspaper I (Heavy)	2.44%	1.8%	1.55%
Newspaper II	1.99%	1.83%	1.6%
Newspaper III	1.93%	2.03%	2.17%
Newspaper IV	0.81%	0.55%	0.44%
Newspaper V (Light)	1.15%	1%	1.3%

MEDIUM	0-1.5 MILES	1.5-3 MILES	3-7 MILES
Quintiles (20%)			
Magazines I (Heavy)	20.2%	20.62%	20.32%
Magazines II	9.64%	8.83%	8.69%
Magazines III	9.8%	10.44%	10.52%
Magazines IV	12.3%	12.04%	11.91%
Magazines V (Light)	0.39%	0.47%	0.6%
Outdoor I (Heavy)	8%	7.24%	7.26%
Outdoor II	3.4%	3.49%	3.39%
Outdoor III	4.04%	3.82%	3.6%
Outdoor IV	16.22%	15.23%	15.34%
Outdoor V (Light)	25.39%	23.87%	23.5%
Yellow Pages I (Heavy)	16.23%	15.26%	14.49%
Yellow Pages II	6.38%	6.28%	6.31%
Yellow Pages III	6.16%	7.26%	7.09%
Yellow Pages IV	23.13%	22.99%	22.76%
Yellow Pages V (Light)	4.32%	3.99%	3.95%

Potential Audio & Prime Time TV Media Usage:

The tables below list 23 variables related to audio & prime time TV media usage at this mission site. For each of the three bands -- 0-1.5 miles, 1.5-3 miles, 3-7 miles -- the percent of the households in the entire missional site location that participate in the activity is given. For more detailed information, you can order a MISSIONDEX report that provides 497 consumer behavior and attitudinal variables, each broken down by the participation percent within each lifestyle segment and social group within your missional site location at MissionalContext.org.

USAGE	0-1.5 MILES	1.5-3 MILES	3-7 MILES
Day-time Radio			
Listeners			
Dayparts [summary]	11.74%	12.33%	12.06%
6:00am - 10:00am	14.38%	15.22%	16.98%
10:00am - 3:00pm	6.5%	8.75%	8.74%
3:00pm - 7:00pm	13.92%	14.31%	14.83%
7:00pm - Midnight	11.24%	12.03%	12.59%
Midnight - 6:00am	5.8%	5.89%	5.94%
Weekend Radio			
Listeners			
Dayparts [summary]	14.32%	14.89%	15.27%
6:00am - 10:00am	3.41%	3.74%	4.09%
10:00am-3:00pm	5.47%	6.36%	7.19%
3:00pm - 7:00pm	6.77%	7.04%	6.96%
7:00pm - Midnight	8.3%	9.44%	9.28%
Midnight - 6:00am	10.34%	11.11%	11.23%

USAGE	0-1.5 MILES	1.5-3 MILES	3-7 MILES
Prime Time TV Viewers			
8:00-11:00pm	6.72%	8.72%	9.31%
Saturday:	7.5%	7.72%	7.72%
8:00-11:00pm			
Sunday: 7:00-11:00pm	8.84%	11.1%	10.59%
9:00am-1:00pm	22.75%	25.68%	25.01%
9:00am-4:00pm	26.17%	29.58%	28.78%
4:00pm-7:00pm	27.32%	28.99%	28.72%
11:00pm-1:00am	39.72%	42.58%	40.97%
AVG Prime time	2.61%	3.03%	2.99%
Mon-Sun			

Potential Weekday & Weekend TV Media Usage:

The table below lists 28 variables related to weekday & weekend media usage at this mission site. For each of the three bands -- 0-1.5 miles, 1.5-3 miles, 3-7 miles -- the percent of the households in the entire missional site location that participate in the activity is given. For more detailed information, you can order a MISSIONDEX report that provides 497 consumer behavior and attitudinal variables, each broken down by the participation percent within each lifestyle segment and social group within your missional site location at MissionalContext.org.

TV VIEWERS	0-1.5 MILES	1.5-3 MILES	3-7 MILES
Weekday			
6-7am	16.82%	18.02%	18.43%
7-9am	21.45%	23.33%	23.48%
9am-12noon	18.42%	20.86%	20.42%
12noon-4pm	7.75%	8.72%	8.36%
4-6pm	42.86%	46.46%	46.82%
6-7pm	18.16%	18.42%	18.53%
7-7:30pm	1.87%	2.18%	2.01%
7:30-8pm	10.16%	10.68%	10.5%
8-11pm	6.72%	8.72%	9.31%
11pm-12am	32.09%	34.35%	32.95%
11pm-1am	39.72%	42.58%	40.97%
1-6am	30.35%	32.2%	31.82%

TV VIEWERS	0-1.5 MILES	1.5-3 MILES	3-7 MILES
Weekend			
Sat: 7-10am	17.71%	18.06%	18.32%
Sat: 10am-1pm	6.66%	7.37%	7.86%
Sat: 1-4pm	23.94%	23.89%	24.57%
Sat: 4-6pm	5.9%	6.64%	6.74%
Sat: 6-7pm	1.8%	1.92%	1.99%
Sat: 7-8pm	0.93%	1.09%	1.14%
Sat: 8-11pm	7.5%	7.72%	7.72%
Sat: 11pm-1am	4.75%	5.22%	5.32%
Sat: 1am-7pm	22.98%	22.76%	22.86%
Sun: 7-10am	2.4%	2.72%	2.53%
Sun: 10am-1pm	6.28%	7.46%	6.88%
Sun: 1-4pm	5.64%	5.76%	5.78%
Sun: 4-7pm	12.79%	14.82%	13.7%
Sun: 7-11pm	8.84%	11.1%	10.59%
Sun: 11pm-1am	4.79%	6.01%	5.57%
Sun: 1-7am	20.07%	22.71%	21.72%

Saginaw Township North Addison Lennon L'Anse Walker Spring Arbor Birmingham Rockford Springfield
 Reese Greenville Onsted Sterling Union City Maybee Litchfield Crystal Falls Boshong Grand Blanc Beech
 Bloomfield Hills De Tour Village Walled Lake Republic Baldwin Eau Claire
 Okemos Lake Angelus Perrinton South Haven Freepoint Garden City Mattawan Madison Heights
 Lincoln Park Marion Hancock Evart Kalamazoo Reading New Buffalo Akron Belleville Columbiaville



Using the Cultural Bridges, Barriers and Themes

The Cultural Bridges provide lists of activities and interests that are common among some groups of people in this mission site. Missional team members and church planters may use this data as the basis for creating intentional redemptive relationships. The Cultural Barriers list gives attitudes that may become a barrier to the spread of the gospel. The Cultural Themes are attitudes that may be the basis for developing a gospel presentation.

Issues for Your Consideration

1. Please read pages 61 and 62 on Biblical Missional Multiplication and Establishing Redemptive Relationships before considering the following issues.
2. Look through the cultural bridges listed on pages 36-40. Has anyone on the missional team been personally involved or interested in any of these bridge areas in the past? How can the team get involved in these activities with people who live and/or work in the mission site area?
3. Review the cultural barriers listed on page 43. Discuss how each of the attitudes reflected in this mission site may become a barrier to the spread of the gospel. Also discuss what steps the missional team may take to overcome these barriers.
4. Review the cultural themes listed on page 45. Choose two or three of the major themes that are prevalent at this mission site and begin developing presentations that wrap the gospel around these themes. Discuss how to "steer" the conversation to these themes and bridge into the gospel presentation.



Using the Shared Places, Projects, Media Content and Usage

The Shared Places provides a list of restaurants and restaurant types that are frequented by some groups of people in the mission site. If a particular restaurant chain is not in your area, look for similar types of restaurants. The Shared Projects section lists various activities in which some people in the mission site are engaged. The Media Content and Usage sections give a window into the types of media content that is preferred and the times media is commonly used

Issues for Your Consideration

1. Review the shared places listed on page 47. Discuss these types of organizations that may be found at the mission site. Discuss how the mission team may become part of these organizations in order to develop redemptive relationships.
2. Review the shared projects listed on page 49. Discuss ways in which people in the mission site may be involved in these activities. Has anyone on the missional team been personally involved in these activities with people who live and/or work in the mission site area.
3. Review the print, radio, and television media content listed on pages 51-53. What do people in this mission site read, listen to or watch? Describe the "typical" types of people in the mission site based on this information. How does this information shape the ways in which the missional team should present the gospel and the church? What mediums could be used to communicate with people at this mission site more effectively?
4. Review the print, radio and television media usage on pages 55-58. Describe the frequency and times of media usage by people at this mission site. How does this inform what media the missional team should use and when the media should be employed?



Biblical Missional Multiplication

Biblical missional multiplication builds upon discipling and spiritual reproduction. Jesus and his disciples multiplied their efforts by investing in relationships with others. The diagram to the right illustrates how social networking in the New Testament era was behind the success of this multiplication.

The MissionSite report provides insights into ways that we too can build redemptive relationships and foster missional multiplication at this site location.

Missional Multiplication Principle *2nd Timothy 2:2*



Establishing Redemptive Relationships

Missional Multiplication occurs when redemptive relationships move people through a process to bring people to Christ. This process is most successful as we relate to people based on their identity. Five types of identity enable us to connect with people and see them move through this process.

Communication Steps

1. **Category-to-Category:** Connect through a common social identity; some activity, interest, or behavior that you share with the person.
2. **Face-to-Face:** Begin interacting with the person; building a personal rapport.
3. **Mind-to-Mind:** After building a rapport, move the conversation towards spiritual issues.
4. **Heart-to-Heart:** As the Holy Spirit leads you, wrap the gospel presentation around a theme that connects with the person.
5. **Spirit-to-Spirit:** This is the level at which the Holy Spirit works speaks to our inner self. The previous 4 steps facilitates the Holy Spirit doing his regenerative work.

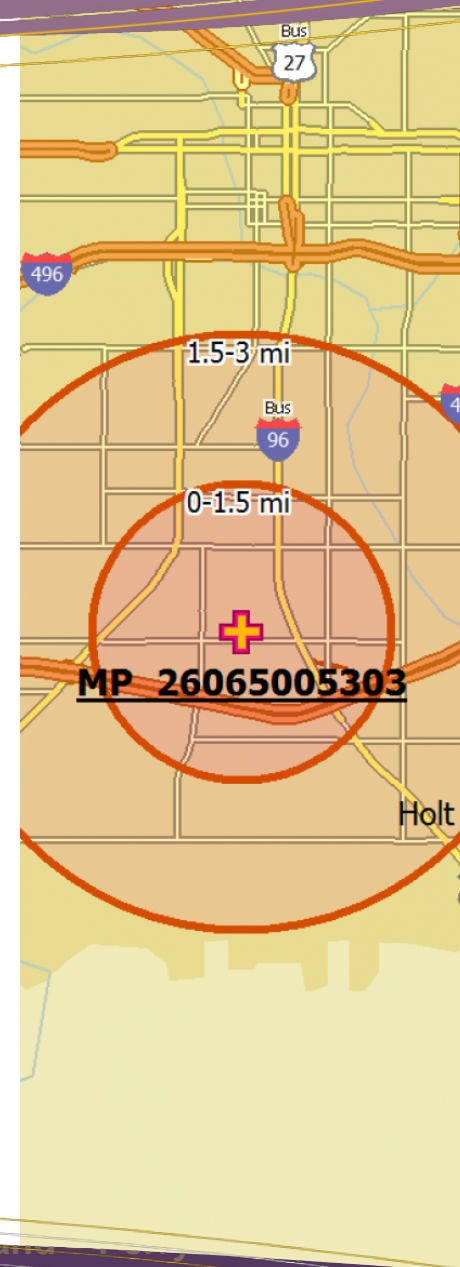


Your MissionSite and the Missional Suite

The site location of this MissionSite report is based upon the SITESCAPE typology developed by the staff of IICM. The SITESCAPE is an analysis of the 0-1/2 mile, 0-1 1/2 mile, 0-3 mile, 3-7 mile, 7-10 mile, and 10-15 mile bands around each of the 65,370 US census tract centroids (or geographical centers). Each census tract has been assigned a large number of variables based upon this analysis. These variables include information regarding the spirituality of this particular location. This report selects a "Top Unreached Location" meaning that this site has a significant number of households that have not been reached by the gospel of Jesus Christ. Sitescape definitions may be found online at the MissionalCyclopedia.org site.

Additional help regarding this MissionSite location may be obtained at www.iicm.net. IICM provides access to a number of resources:

- Online personal missional profile at APEPT.org
- Custom reports at MissionalContext.org
- Custom mapping at MissionalCulturescape.org
- Missional information at MissionalCyclopedia.org
- Networking & Zipcode level data at MissionalCorps.org
- Information on top lifestyle groups at MissionalZipcode.org



Notes and Sources

1. Sightscape location and Evangelscape spirituality indicators data are datasets created by the staff of IICM by cross-tabulating multiple datasets from ScanUS, Experian, Simmons Market Research Bureau and TheAmericanChurch.org. These datasets are updated annually.
2. Demographic data are copyrighted by ScanUS and are licensed from ScanUS.
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