

# STATE OF BLACK, HISPANIC, & IMMIGRANT BROWARD

An Initiative to Advance Equity and Support

In partnership with the **Urban League of Broward County and Hispanic Unity of Florida**, FIU's **Jorge M. Pérez Metropolitan Center** launched "The State of Black Broward" and "The State of Hispanic and Immigrant Broward" to address a range of economic and social issues impacting these communities in Broward County.

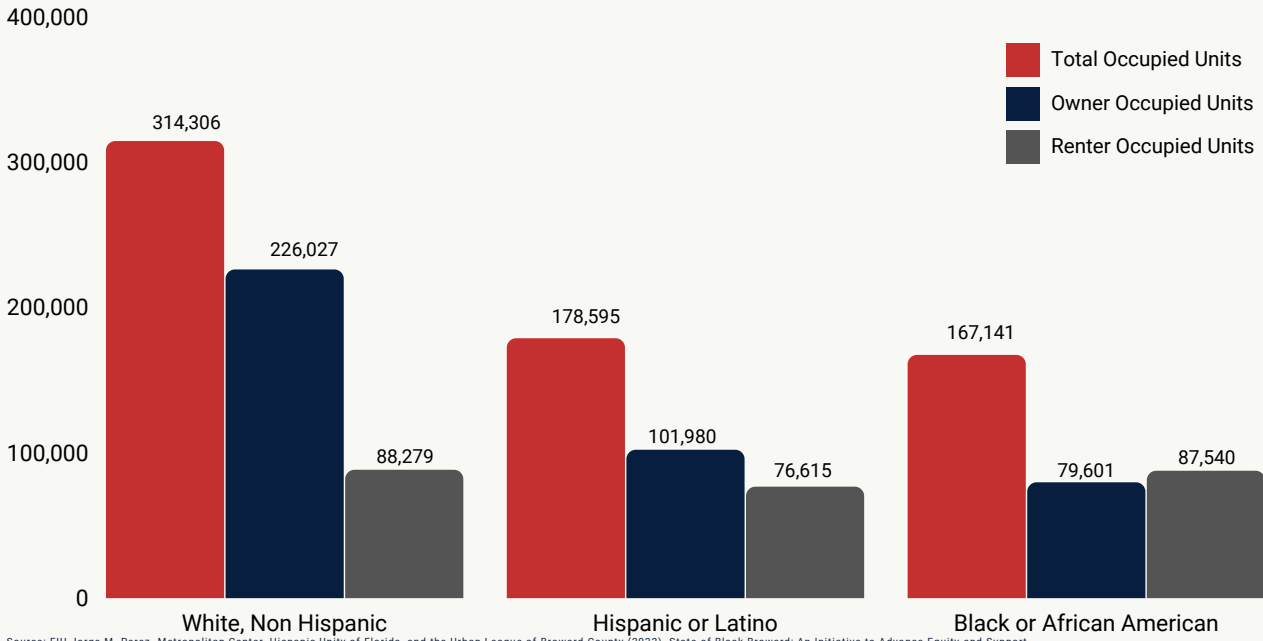
## HOUSING

Between 2018-2019, the gap in homeownership between Black or African Americans and White (Non-Hispanic) Americans grew to over 30%.

### The Importance of Quality Affordable Housing:

- Anchor for Job Security, Transportation, and Health Care
- Local Economic Benefits
- Higher Educational Performance and Attainment

### Broward County Housing Occupancy by Race and Ethnicity 2019



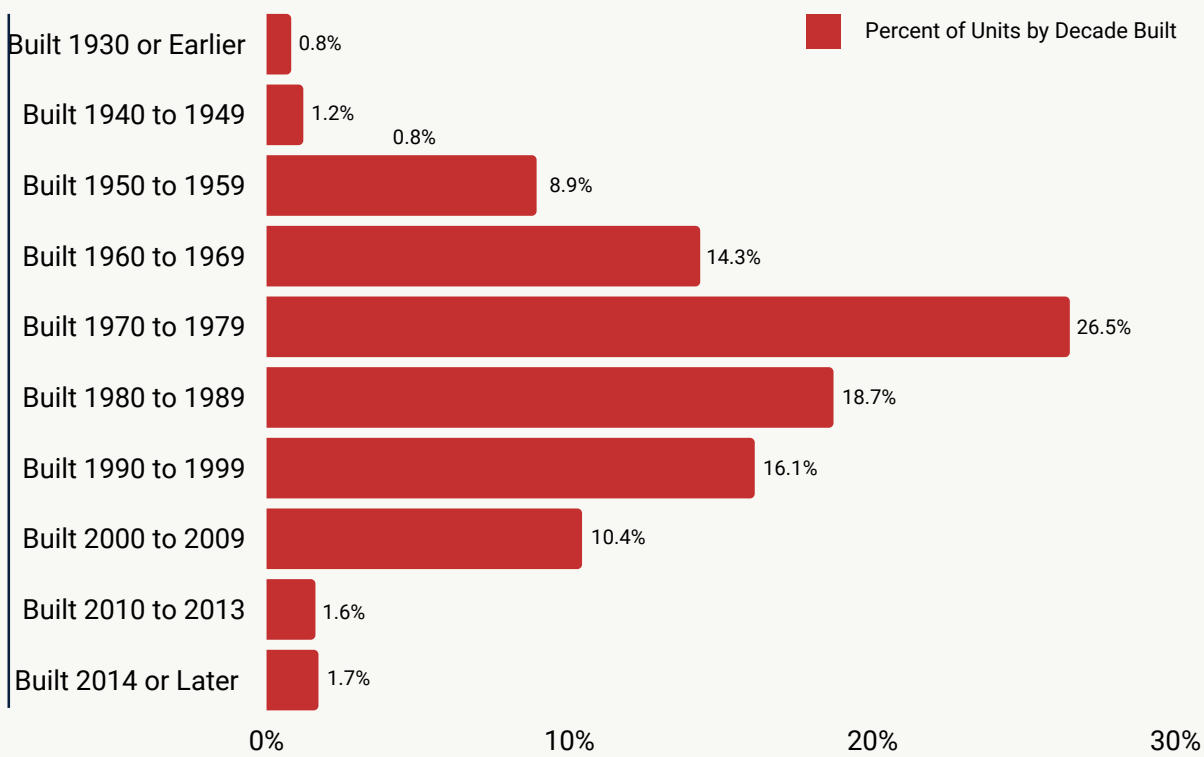
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The concentration of older, unsafe housing structures in Broward County are found in less affluent and minority communities that are already experiencing health and economic disparities.

### The Importance of Safe, Decent, and Affordable Housing:

- Provides Shelter from the Elements
- Supports the Health of its Occupants
- Improves the the Cognitive Outcomes of Youth

### "Safe and Decent Housing." The Age of Broward County's Units



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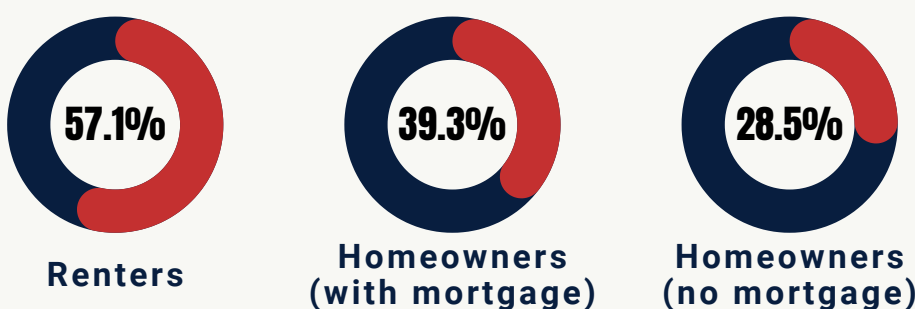
The most critical housing problem in Broward County is the estimated 147,313 renter households who are cost-burdened and the 77,677 renter households who are severely cost-burdened.

### The Market Conditions Increasing the Rate of Cost-Burdened Households:

- The Increasing Demand for Renter Housing
- The Lack of Affordable Rental Housing Production
- Rent Prices are Increasing Faster than Wages

**53%** Despite the rate of aging units, 53% of Broward County households are cost burdened, making Broward County one of the most unaffordable places to live in the United States.

### Cost-Burdened Residents by Housing Tenure in 2019



➔ According to the Metropolitan Center's COVID-19 Distress Index, the highest level of housing distress are found in lower-income Black or African American Communities.

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