



UJA-Federation of New York

A Profile of The Jewish Community of Long Island

Based upon data from the *Jewish
Community Study of New York: 2002*

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STUDY GOALS

The Jewish Community Study of New York was conducted in order to:

- Provide useful information about the New York Jewish community in 2002
- Highlight basic population changes since 1991*
- Support more informed decisions in planning, fundraising, service delivery, and connecting people to Jewish communal life

* Please see the *Note on Methodology* for a brief discussion of comparability between the 1991 and 2002 studies.

STUDY AREA



DEFINITIONS

JEWISH PERSONS

- Adults (age 18+) who consider themselves Jewish
- Children being raised as Jews

JEWISH HOUSEHOLDS

- Households that include one or more Jewish adults, at least 18 years old.
- These Jewish households may also include non-Jewish adults and/or children who are not being raised as Jews.

THE STUDY

Interviewing began on March 11, 2002
and was completed by September 13, 2002, just
before the high holy days.

Almost 69,000 households were contacted.

23,000 non-Jewish households completed a brief interview.



WHO WE REACHED

IDENTIFIED JEWISH HOUSEHOLDS

- **6,035** Jewish households were identified during the interviewing process

INTERVIEWED JEWISH HOUSEHOLDS

- **4,533 interviews** were conducted
- The 75% interview cooperation rate exceeded initial expectations



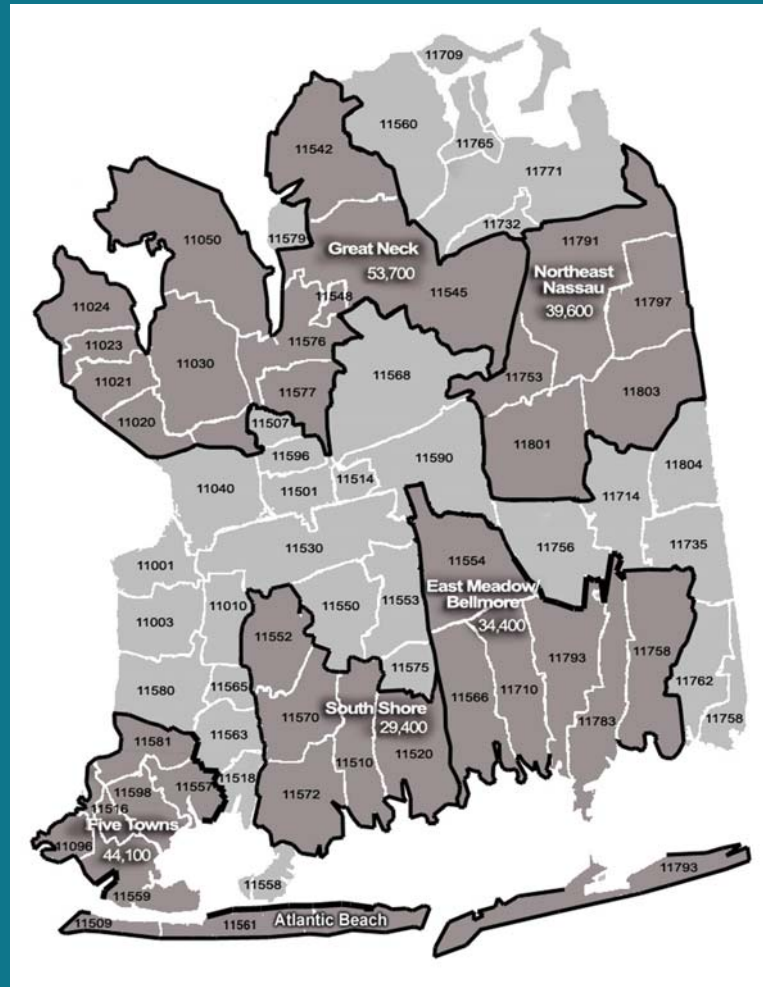
LONG ISLAND

- **1,133** respondents identified their primary residence as Long Island.
- The information on Nassau County is based on **744** interviews. The standard error range for this sample is **+/- 6.1%**.
- The information on Suffolk County is based on **389** interviews. The standard error range for this sample is **+/- 8.6%**.

PRINCIPAL AREAS IN NASSAU COUNTY

- **GREAT NECK** – includes Glen Cove, Glen Head, Greenvale, Great Neck, Manhasset, Port Washington, Roslyn, Roslyn Heights
- **NORTHEAST NASSAU** – includes Hicksville, Plainview, Jericho, Syosset, Woodbury
- **FIVE TOWNS/ATLANTIC BEACH** – includes Atlantic Beach, Cedarhurst, Hewlett, Inwood, Lawrence, Long Beach, Valley Stream, and Woodmere
- **SOUTH SHORE** – includes Baldwin, Freeport, Oceanside, Rockville Centre, West Hempstead
- **EAST MEADOW/BELLMORE** – includes Bellmore, East Meadow, Merrick, Massapequa, Seaford, and Wantagh

PRINCIPAL AREAS OF JEWISH RESIDENCE IN NASSAU COUNTY



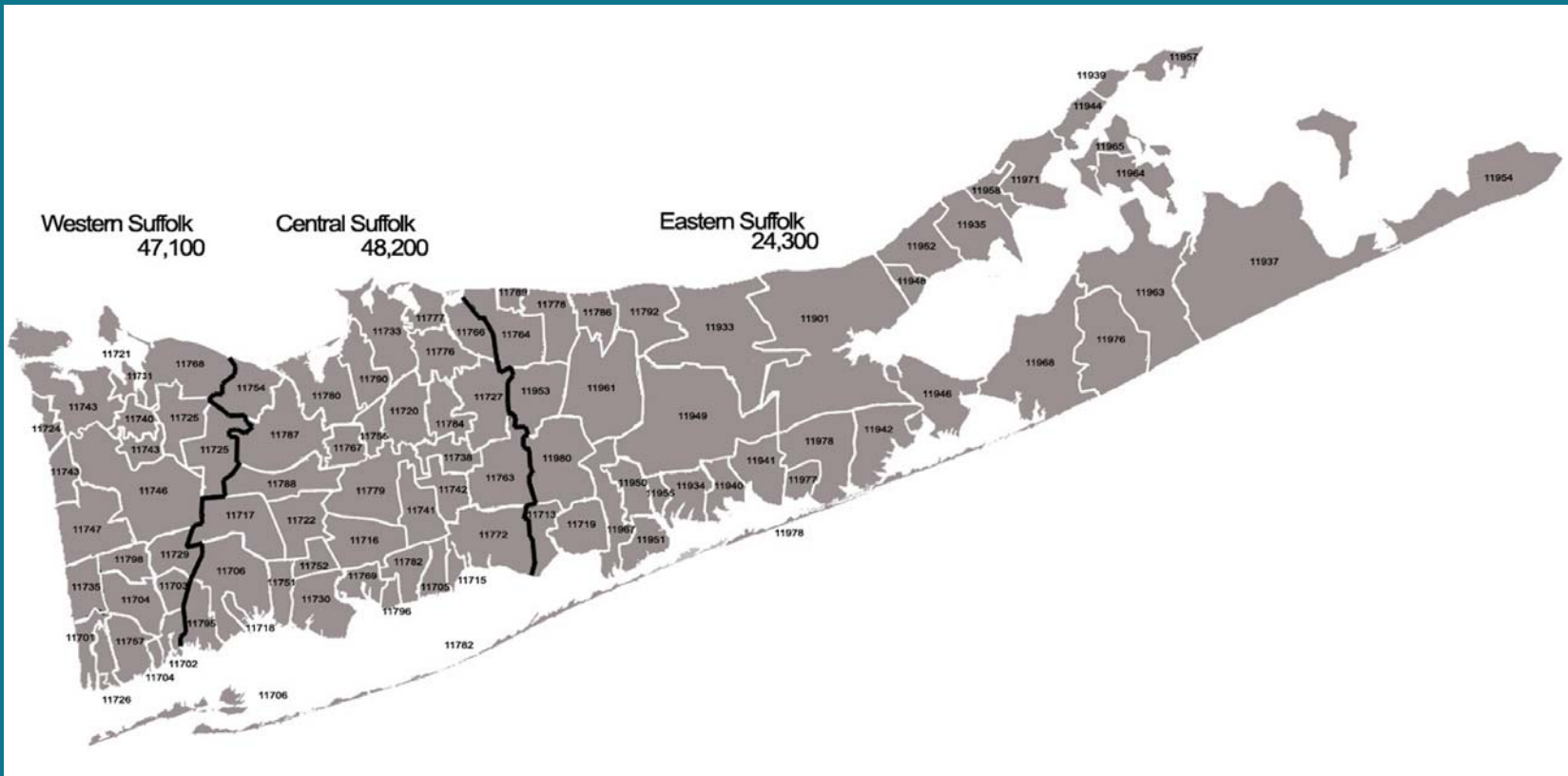
STUDY AREA – SUFFOLK COUNTY

PRINCIPAL AREAS IN SUFFOLK COUNTY

- **WESTERN SUFFOLK** – includes Amityville, Babylon, North Babylon, West Babylon, Centerport, Cold Spring Harbor, Commack, Copiague, Deer Park, Dix Hills, Farmingdale, Greenlawn, Huntington, Huntington Station, Lindenhurst, Melville, Northport, East Northport, Wyandanch
- **CENTRAL SUFFOLK** – includes Bay Shore, Bayport, Blue Point, Bohemia, Brentwood, Brightwaters, Centereach, Central Islip, Coram, East Islip, East Setauket, Farmingville, Hauppauge, Holbrook, Holtsville, Islip, Islip Terrace, Kings Park, Lake Grove, Medford, Mount Sinai, Nesconset, Oakdale, Patchogue, Port Jefferson, Ronkonkoma, Saint James, Sayville, Selden, Smithtown, Stony Brook, West Islip, West Sayville

SUFFOLK

PRINCIPAL AREAS OF JEWISH RESIDENCE IN SUFFOLK COUNTY





OVERVIEW

The New York area Jewish community is the largest in the world outside of Israel.

- Over the past decade, the number of Jews and Jewish households has remained the same.
- During this time, the size of the community has decreased slightly in New York City, but increased significantly in Nassau, Suffolk, and Westchester.
- Despite this suburbanizing trend, a large majority of eight-county Jews still live in New York City.

The diverse New York area Jewish community includes:

- A substantial Russian-speaking Jewish community.
- The largest Orthodox Jewish community in the United States.
- A sizeable secular Jewish community.
- Almost equal percentages of children and seniors.

Engagement in Jewish life is high.

- The vast majority of New York Jewish households are committed to being Jewish, to Israel, and to helping others.

Despite substantial wealth within the Jewish community, there is substantial poverty.

- Jewish poverty has significantly increased since the last study in 1991.

Jewish New Yorkers are relatively charitable, with some significant gaps



OVERVIEW

The Suburban Counties' Jewish population differs from that of New York City in the following categories:

- Rate of growth
- Household structure
- Economic status
- The Russian-speaking Jewish community



JEWISH HOUSEHOLD & POPULATION ESTIMATES



HOUSEHOLD AND POPULATION ESTIMATES

There are three answers to the question:

What is the size of the New York area Jewish community?

Jewish Households	643,000
Jewish Persons	1,412,000
All People Living in Jewish Households (Including Non-Jews)	1,666,000



HOUSEHOLD & POPULATION ESTIMATES

Approximately 70% of the eight-county area Jewish households and Jewish persons live in New York City.

About 30% live in Nassau, Suffolk, or Westchester.

	New York City	New York City Percent of Total	Percent Change 1991 – 2002	Nassau, Suffolk, Westchester	Nassau, Suffolk, Westchester Percent of Total	Percent Change 1991 – 2002
Jewish Households	455,000	71%	-6%	188,000	29%	24%
Jewish Persons	972,000	69%	-5%	440,000	31%	12%

HOUSEHOLD & POPULATION ESTIMATES

Nassau County has the third largest number of Jewish households in eight-county area.

Borough/County	Number of Jewish Households 2002	% of Jewish Households in Eight-County Area	Number of Jewish Persons 2002	% of Jewish Persons in the Eight-County Area
Brooklyn	171,000	27%	456,000	32%
Manhattan	155,000	24	243,000	17
Nassau County	89,000	14	221,000	16
Queens	87,000	14	186,000	13
Westchester County	55,000	8	129,000	9
Suffolk County	44,000	7	90,000	6
Bronx	24,000	4	45,000	3
Staten Island	18,000	3	42,000	3
Total Eight Counties	643,000*	100%*	1,412,000	100%

*Numbers may not add precisely due to rounding in this and subsequent tables.

HOUSEHOLD & POPULATION ESTIMATES: LONG ISLAND

The Great Neck area has the largest Jewish population on Long Island.

Principal Areas of Jewish Residence		Jewish Households	Jewish Persons	People in Jewish Households
NASSAU	Great Neck	19,000	47,900	53,700
	Five Towns/Atlantic Beach	16,700	41,400	44,100
	Northeast Nassau	12,900	37,500	39,600
	East Meadow/Bellmore	11,900	30,100	34,400
	South Shore	9,800	25,200	29,400
	Remainder, Nassau	19,100	39,400	50,700
SUFFOLK	Central Suffolk	17,500	34,200	48,200
	Western Suffolk	15,100	36,500	47,100
	Eastern Suffolk	8,500	13,400	24,300
	Remainder, Suffolk	3,200	6,100	8,000



HOUSEHOLD & POPULATION ESTIMATES

Nassau and Suffolk Counties experienced fairly strong growth in the number of Jewish households from 1991 to 2002.

Borough	Percent Change 1991 – 2002	
	Jewish Households	Jewish Persons
Staten Island	64%	27%
Westchester County	41%	40%
Brooklyn	21%	23%
Suffolk County	19%	-8%
Nassau County	17%	9%
Manhattan	- 15%	- 21%
Queens	- 22%	- 20%
Bronx	- 40%	- 45%



HOUSEHOLD & POPULATION ESTIMATES: LONG ISLAND

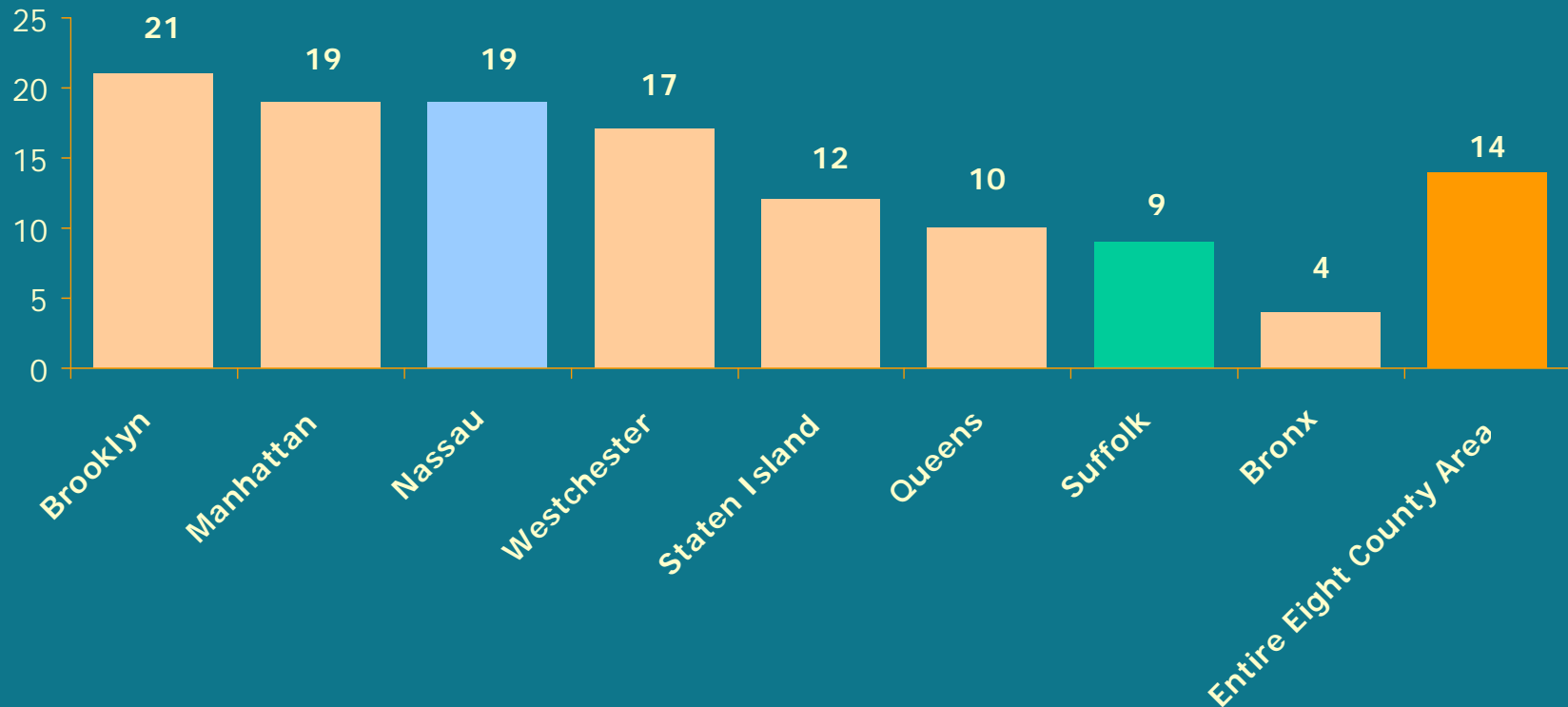
On Long Island, Five Towns/Atlantic Beach and Northeast Nassau have experienced the greatest growth since 1991.

Principal Areas of Jewish Residence	Percent Change 1991 – 2002	
	Jewish Households	People in Jewish Households
Nassau – Entire County	18%	16%
Five Towns/Atlantic Beach	40%	24%
Northeast Nassau	40%	38%
East Meadow/Bellmore	28%	17%
South Shore	4%	13%
Great Neck	32%	28%
Suffolk – Entire County	20%	10%
Central Suffolk	11%	-6%
Western Suffolk	11%	14%

JEWISH DENSITY: BY COUNTY

- Brooklyn, Manhattan, and Nassau are the counties with the highest Jewish density
- The Bronx, Suffolk, and Queens have the lowest Jewish density

People in Jewish Households in the County
as a Percent of all People in the County

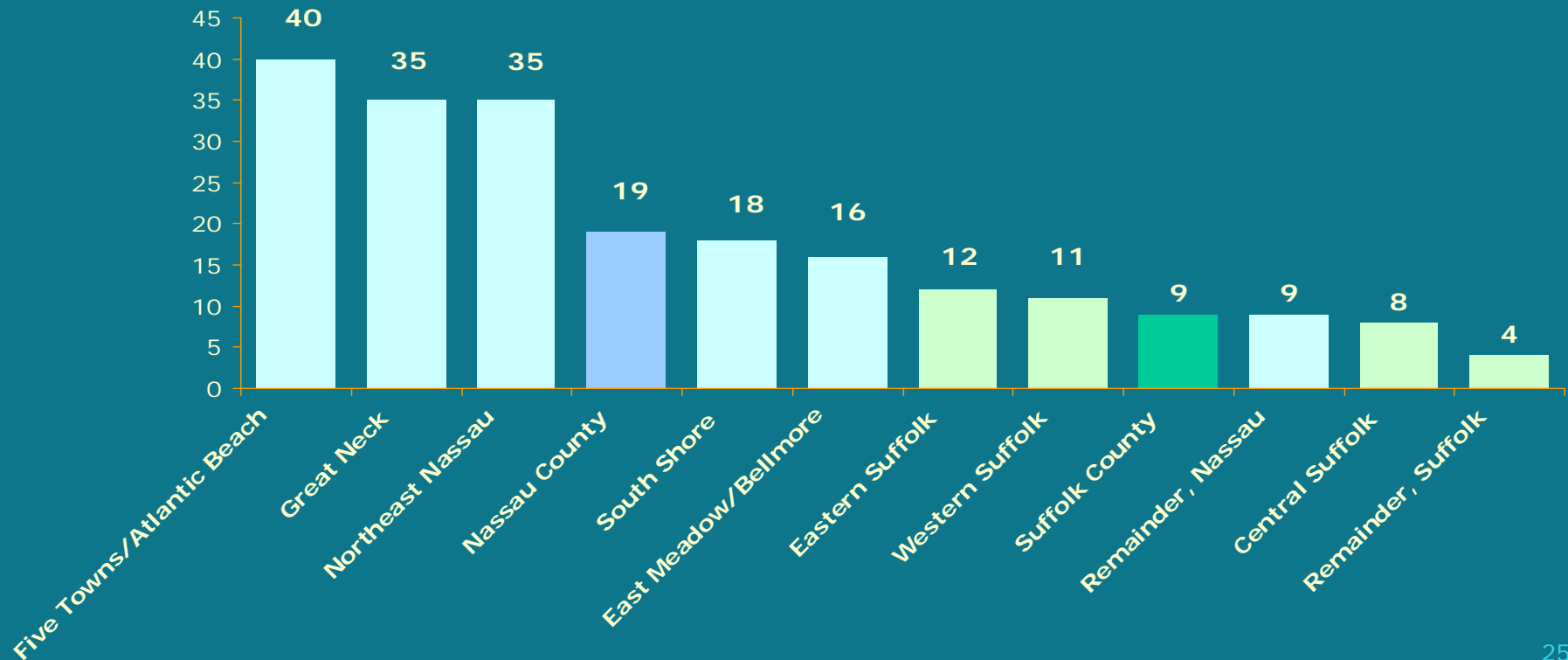




JEWISH DENSITY: BY COMMUNITY

There is significant variation between areas in the density of the Jewish population.

People in Jewish Households in the Area
as a Percent of all People in the Area



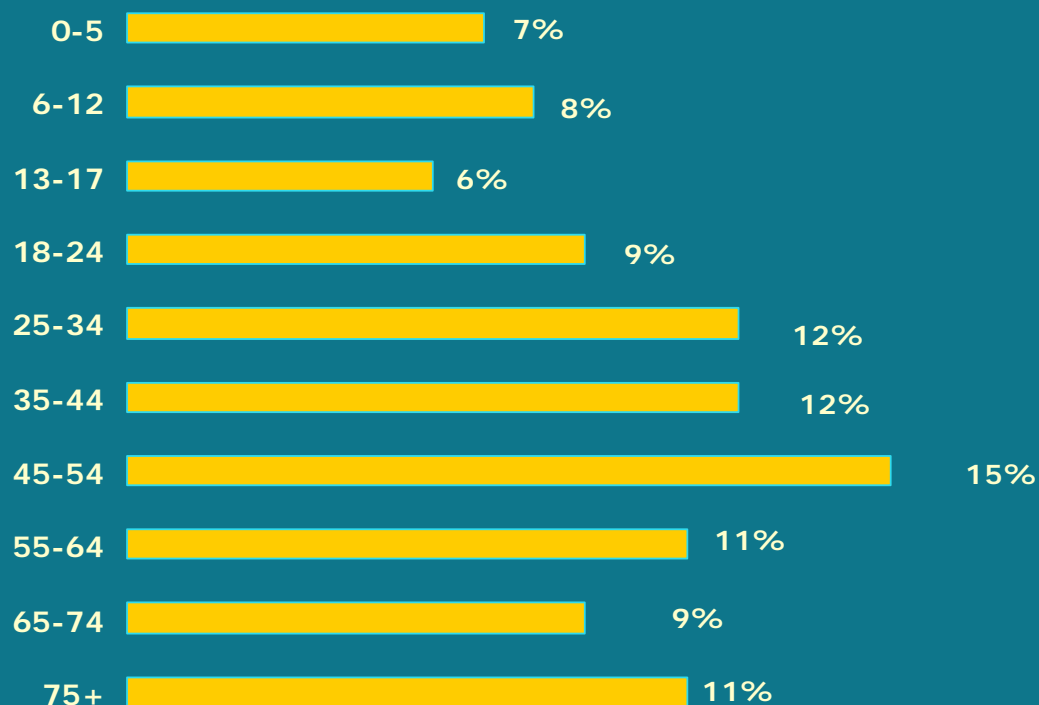


DEMOGRAPHY



DEMOGRAPHY: AGE

Across the entire eight-county New York area, 22% of Jewish persons are younger than 18, while 20% are 65 or older.*



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DEMOGRAPHY: AGE

Age by County of Residence, Eight-County New York Area, 2002

Principal Areas of Jewish Residence	0 - 17	18 - 39	40 - 64	65 - 74	75+	Total
Nassau – Entire County	23%	21%	38%	10%	9%	100%
Great Neck	27	19	37	10	7	100%
Five Towns/Atlantic Beach	20	21	34	11	14	100%
Northeast Nassau	25	21	39	11	5	100%
East Meadow/Bellmore	25	17	41	8	9	100%
South Shore	21	23	41	8	7	100%
Suffolk – Entire County	24	27	37	7	5	100%
Central Suffolk	22	27	39	8	5	100%
Western Suffolk	27	26	39	5	3	100%



DEMOGRAPHY: CHILDREN

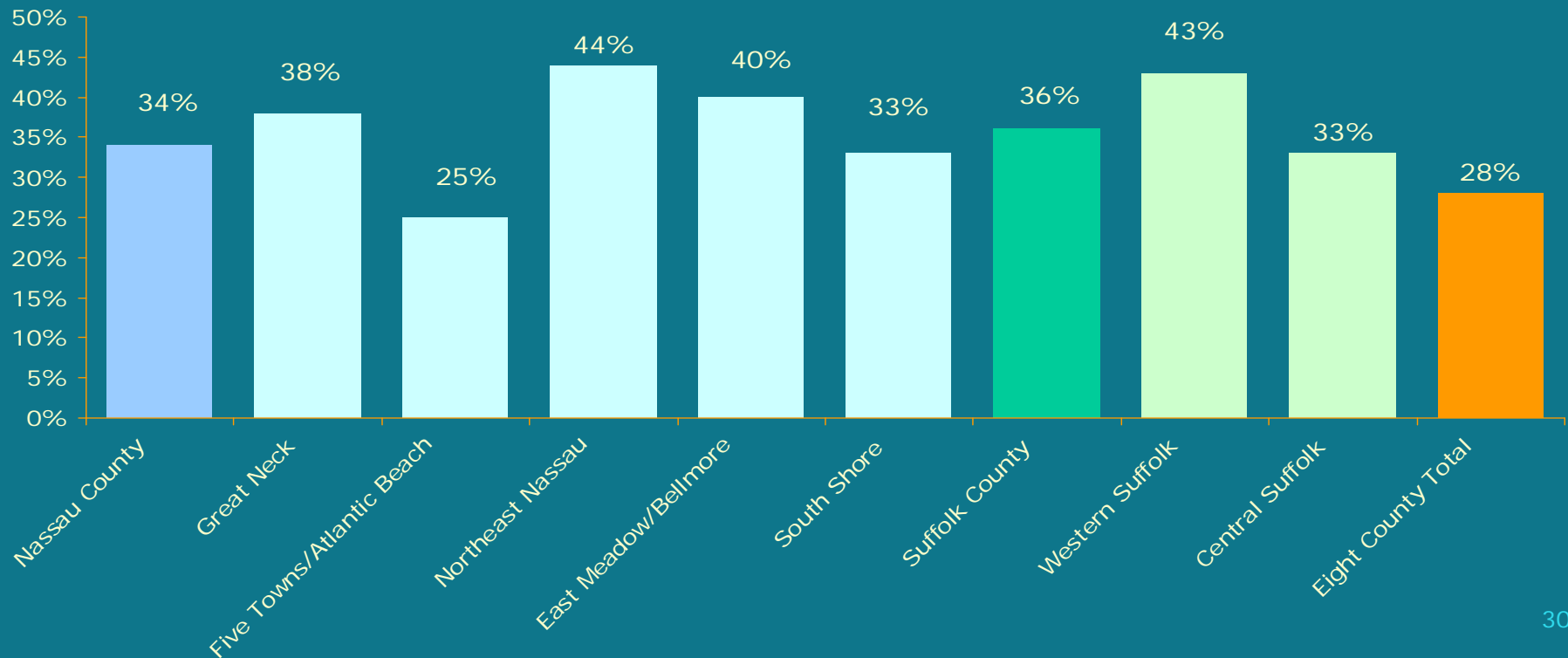
Slightly more than one in four of New York's Jewish households include a child younger than 18.

Minor Children in Household	Number of Households	Percent
No Children In Household	462,000	72%
Minor Children in Household	181,000	28%
TOTAL	643,000	100%

DEMOGRAPHY: CHILDREN

The Five Towns area is the only Jewish population center on Long Island with fewer households with children than the eight-county average.

Percent of Households with Children Age 17 and Younger





DEMOGRAPHY: MARITAL STATUS

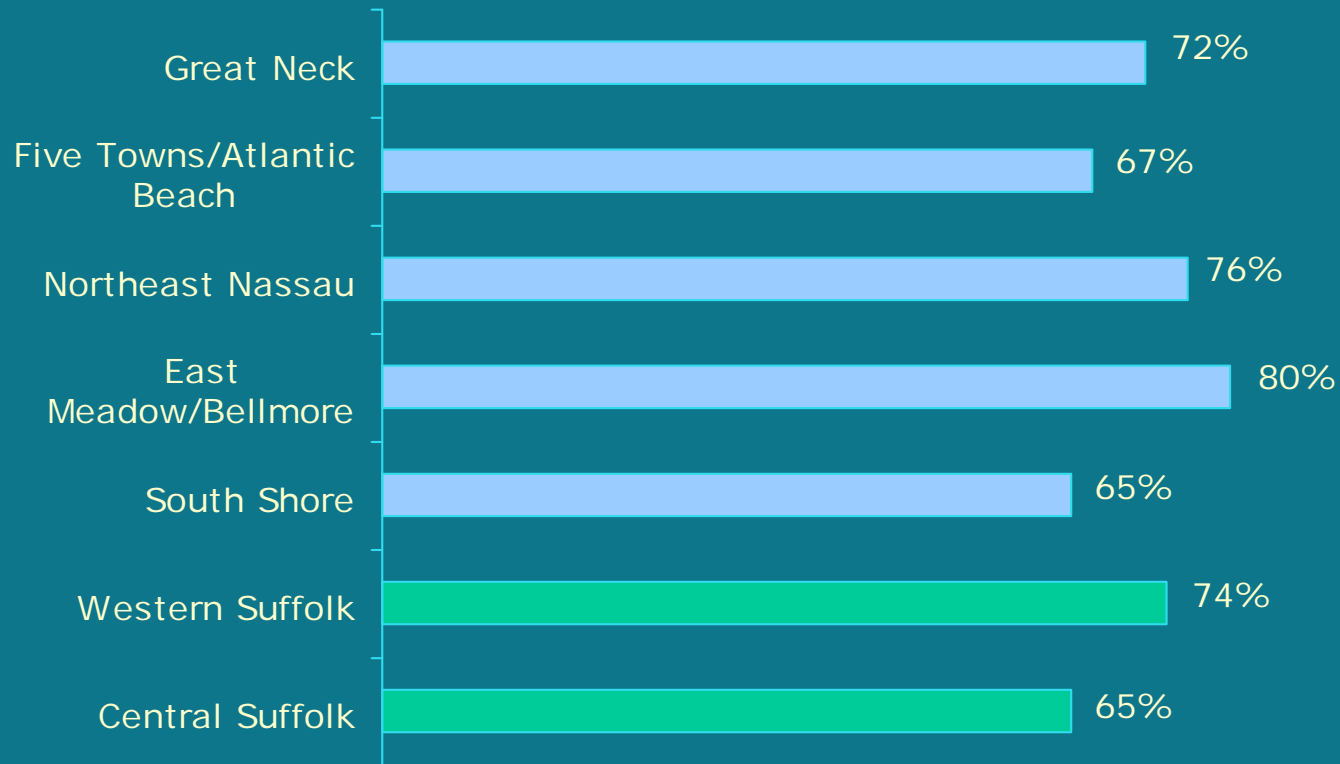
70% of survey respondents living in Long Island were married at the time that they were interviewed.

Never-married Jewish singles are concentrated in Manhattan.

	Married	Living Together	Separated or Divorced	Widowed	Never Married
Entire Eight-County Area	57%	2%	9%	12%	20%
Long Island	70%	1%	6%	10%	13%

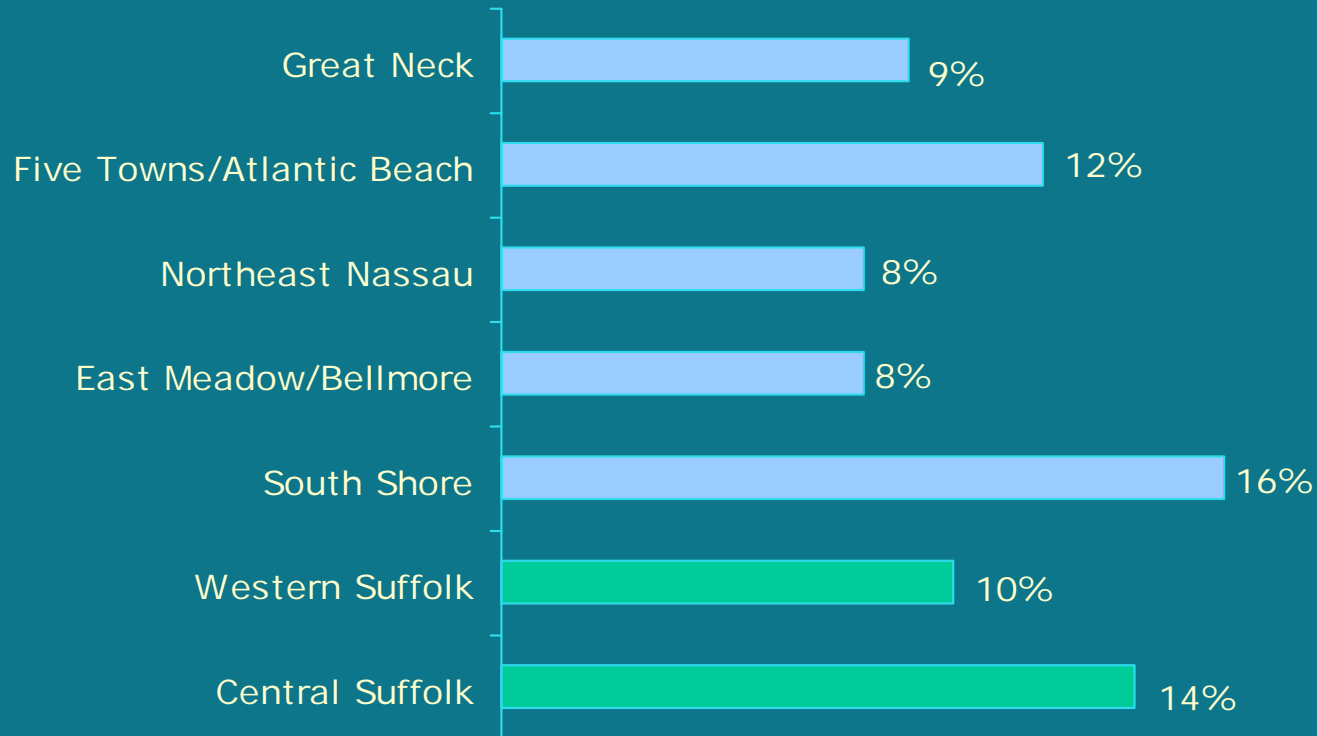
DEMOGRAPHY: MARITAL STATUS

On Long Island, East Meadow/Bellmore respondents have the highest marriage rates.



DEMOGRAPHY: MARITAL STATUS

South Shore has the highest percent of single, never-married households on Long Island.



DEMOGRAPHY: PLACE OF BIRTH

73% of Jewish adults living in the eight-county New York area were born in the United States, 6% in Nassau, Suffolk, or Westchester.

Nearly 80% of Jewish adults living in Nassau and Suffolk were born in the Eight-County New York area.

Place of Birth	Percent of All Jewish Adults, Eight-County	Percent of All Jewish Adults, Nassau County	Percent of All Jewish Adults, Suffolk County
New York City	52%	66%	52%
Nassau, Suffolk, Westchester Counties	6%	13%	26%
Other New York State	2%	2%	3%
Other U.S.	13%	7%	13%
Born Outside U.S.	27%	12%	6%
Total*	100%	100%	100%

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DEMOGRAPHY: THE RUSSIAN-SPEAKING COMMUNITY

Less than 10% of the Russian-speaking Jewish community lives in the Suburban Counties.

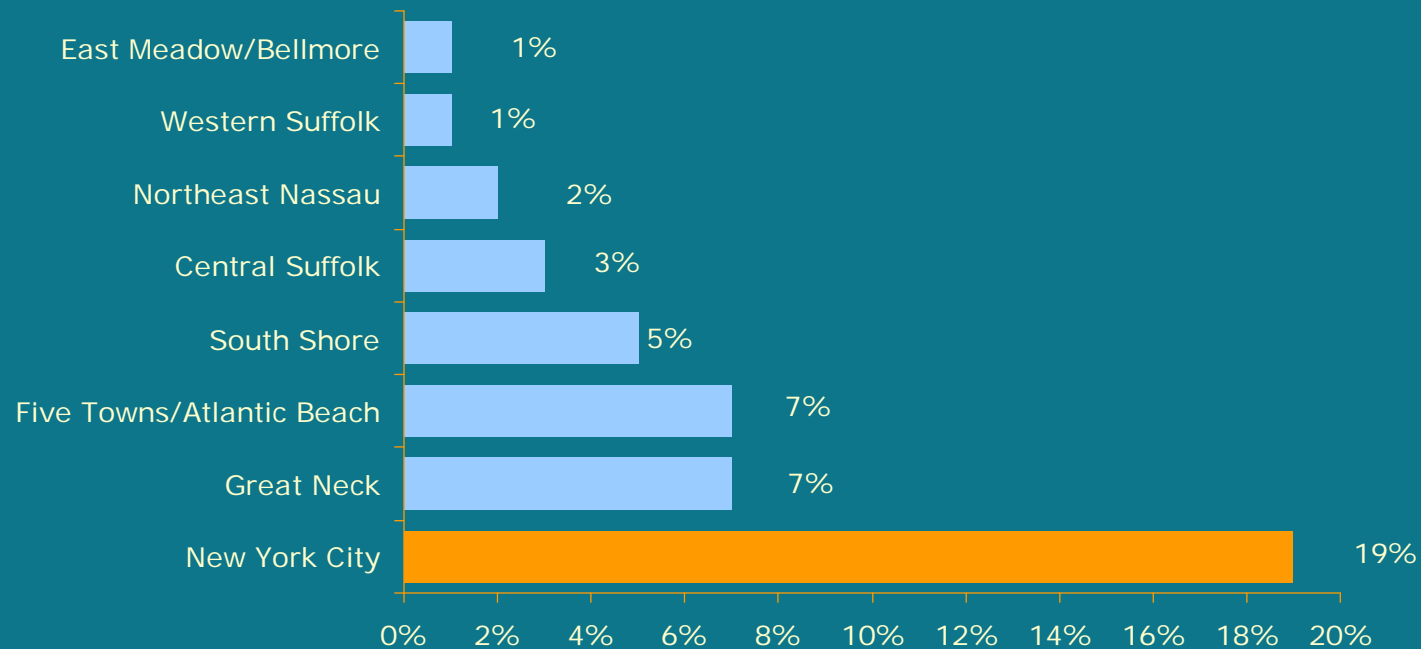
Russian-Speaking	New York City	Suburban Nassau, Suffolk, Westchester	Eight-County Total	Percent of Eight-County Total that is in New York City
Jewish Households	87,000	5,000	92,000	94%
Jewish Persons in Jewish Households	186,000	16,000	202,000	92%
All People in Jewish Households	205,000	18,000	223,000	92%



DEMOGRAPHY: THE RUSSIAN-SPEAKING COMMUNITY

The Russian-speaking Jewish community is about one-fifth of New York City's Jewish community, but only 4% of Jewish Nassau, and 2% of Jewish Suffolk.

Percent of People in Jewish Households
Who Are in Russian Speaking Jewish Households





JEWISH CONNECTIONS



JEWISH CONNECTIONS: DENOMINATIONS

Since 1991, the percentage of Jewish respondents identifying themselves as Orthodox has grown significantly, as has those who consider themselves “Just Jewish” or Secular.

70% of Jewish respondents on Long Island identify themselves as Reform or Conservative.

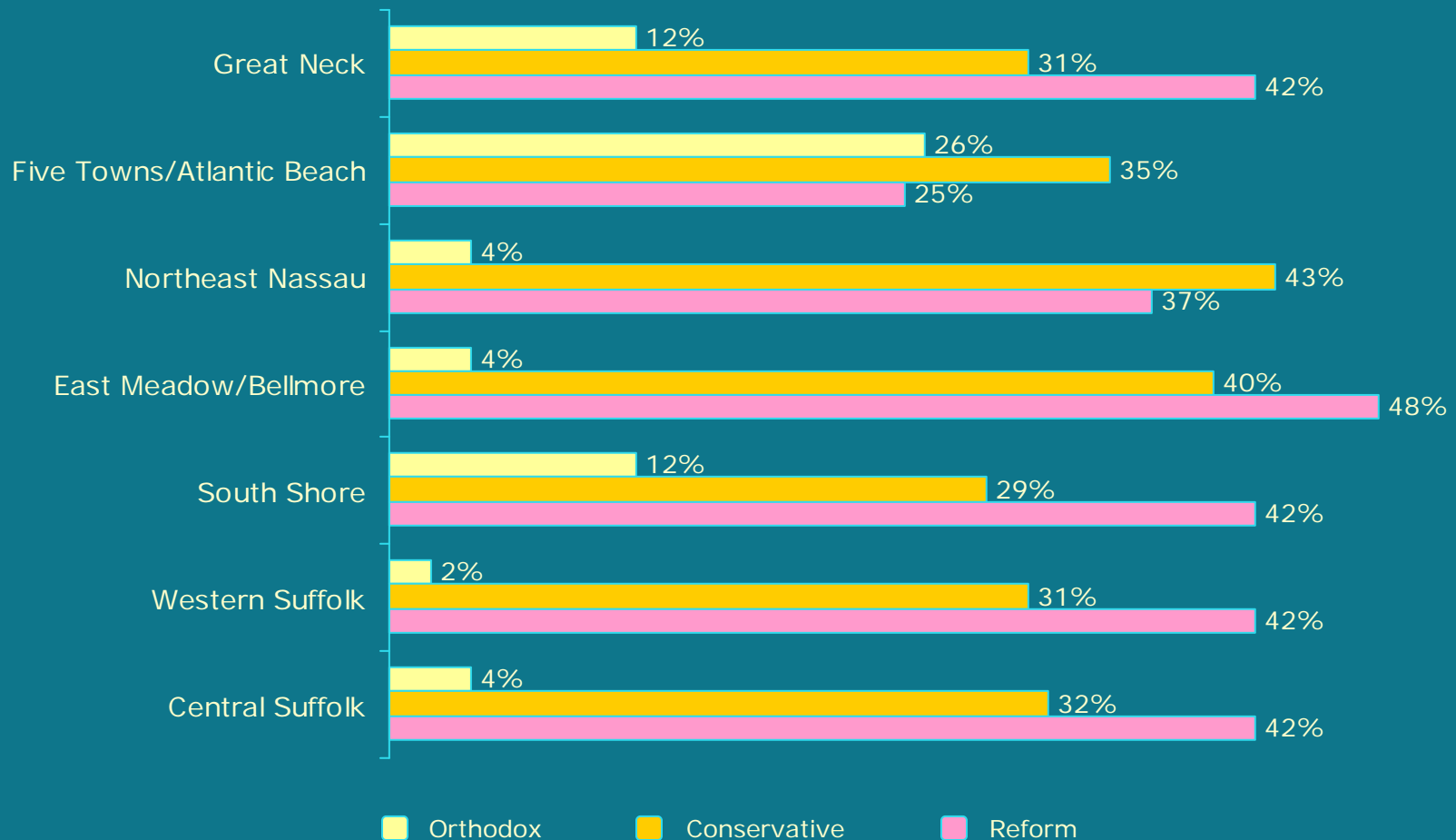
Denomination	Eight-County Total	Nassau County	Suffolk County
Orthodox	19%	11%	3%
Conservative	26	35	29
Reform	29	39	41
Nondenominational – “Just Jewish”	15	11	14
Secular & No Religion	10	4	8
Miscellaneous Answers	1	1	5
Total	100%	100%	100%



JEWISH CONNECTIONS: DENOMINATIONS

In five of the seven principal Jewish areas on Long Island, more respondents self-identify as Reform than any other denomination.

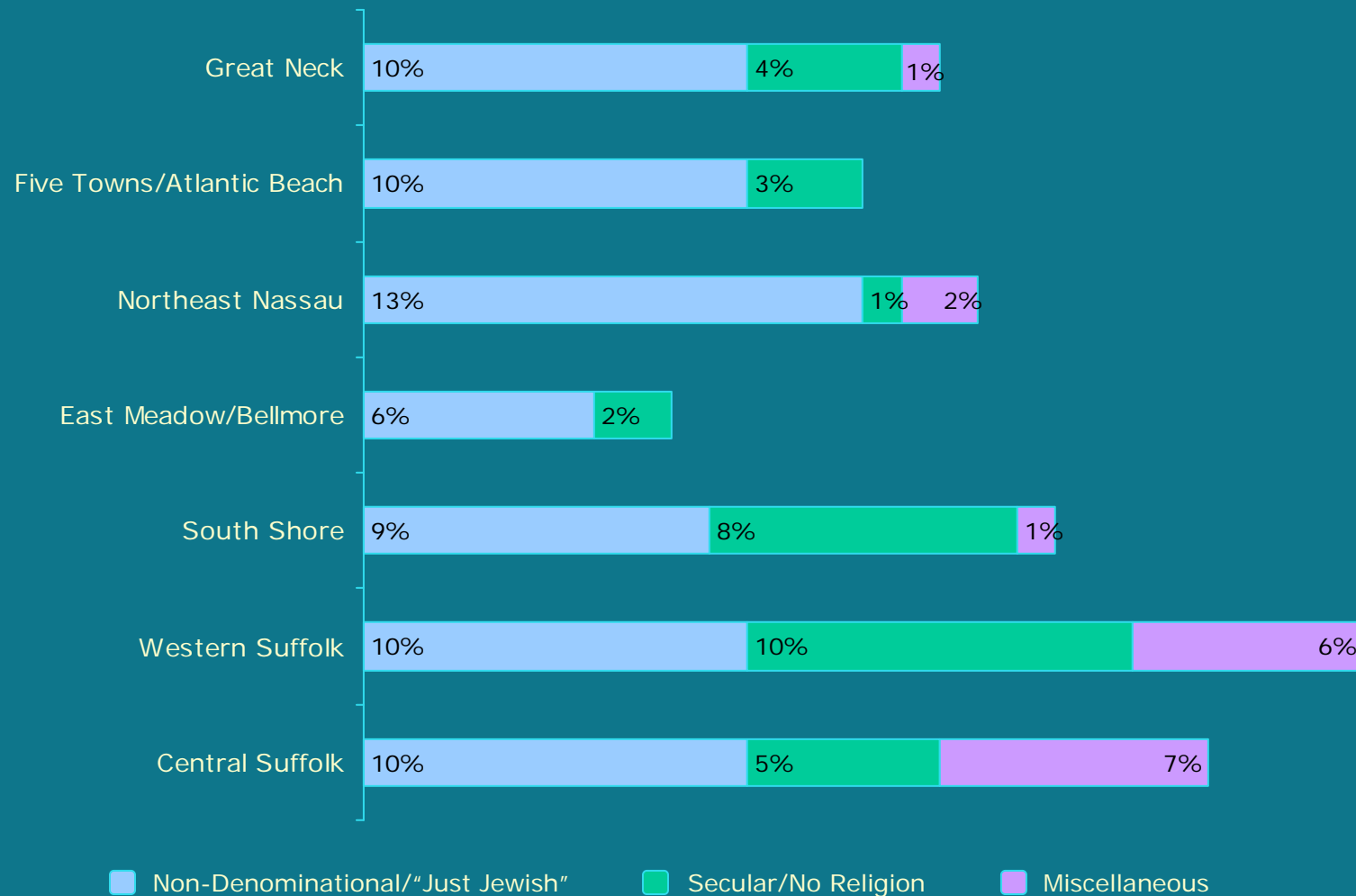
Five Towns/Atlantic Beach has the largest Orthodox population.





JEWISH CONNECTIONS: DENOMINATIONS

Northeast Nassau, South Shore, and both Suffolk areas have the largest proportions that do not identify with a denomination or are secular.



JEWISH CONNECTIONS: AFFILIATION

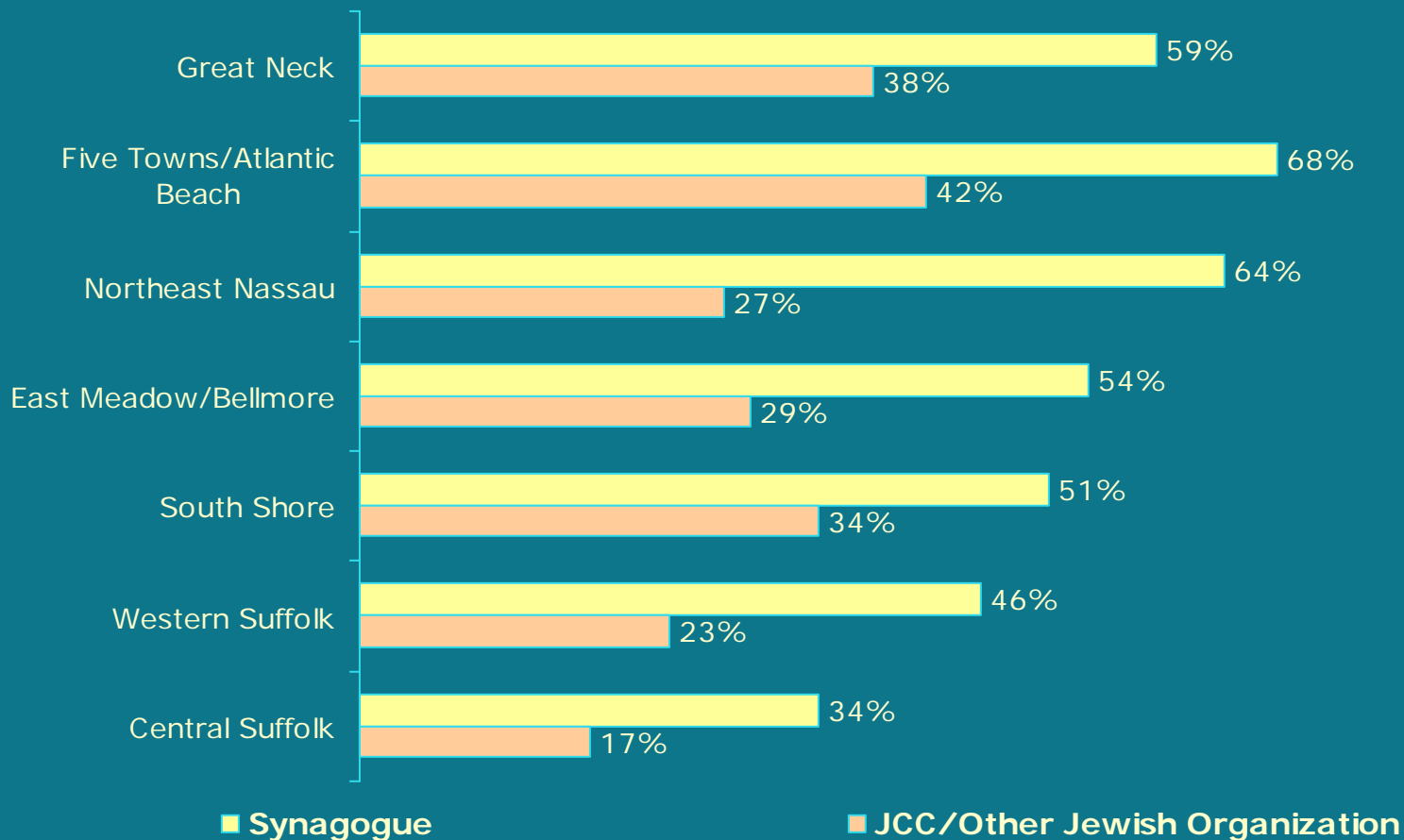
Nassau County Jewish respondents are more likely to belong to a synagogue or another Jewish organization than the eight county average.

Jewish Affiliation Status of Household	Eight-County Total	Nassau County	Suffolk County
Belongs to a Synagogue	43%	56%	36%
Belongs to Other Jewish Organization (including JCC)	20%	33%	16%
Attended a Jewish Cultural Event or Visited a Jewish Museum	62%	66%	54%



JEWISH CONNECTIONS: AFFILIATION

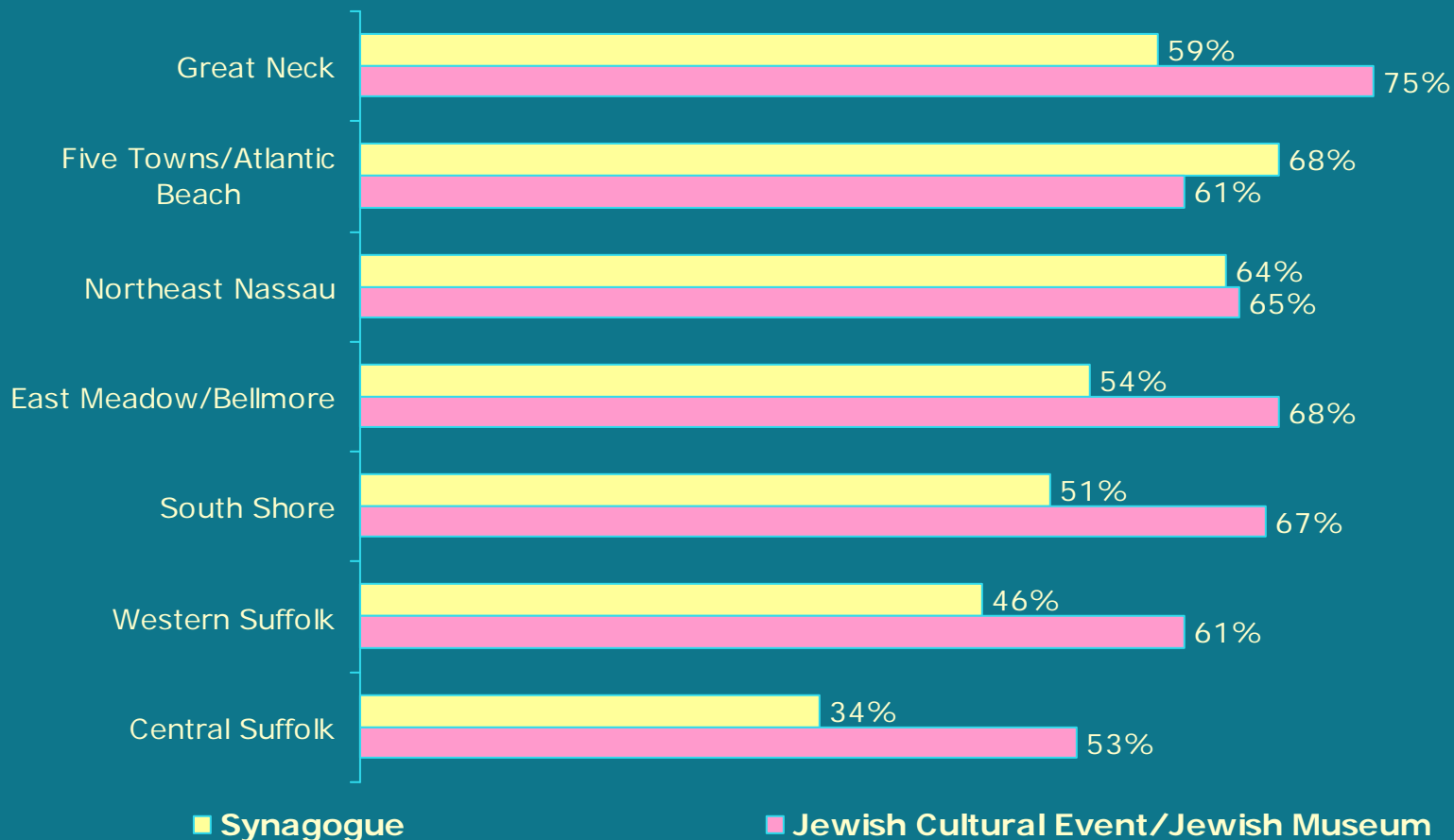
Five Towns/Atlantic Beach area households report the highest levels of affiliation.





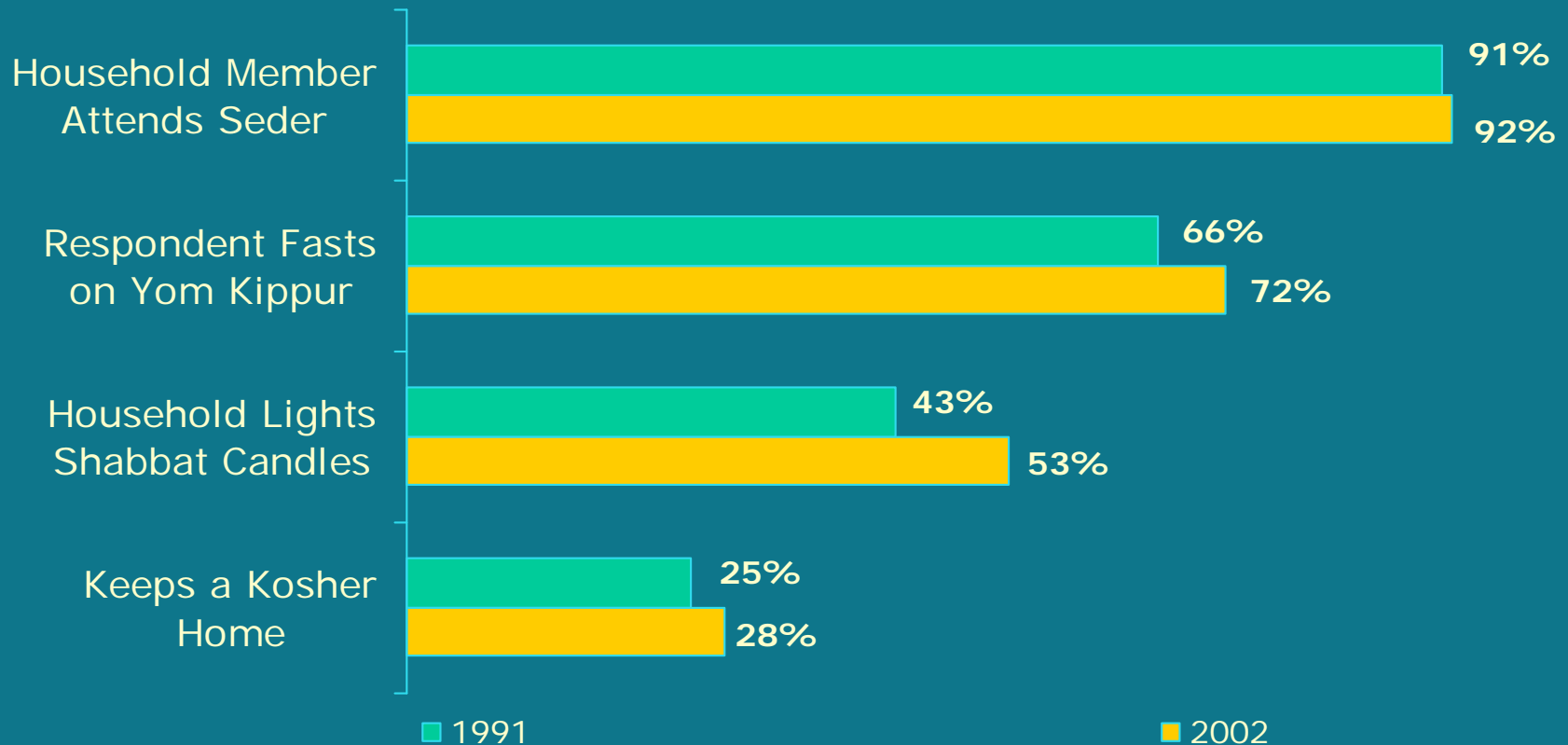
JEWISH CONNECTIONS: AFFILIATION

Great Neck has the highest proportion of households that attended a Jewish cultural event or visited a Jewish museum within the past year.



JEWISH CONNECTIONS: PRACTICE

For the Eight-County area as a whole, indicators of Jewish practice are slightly higher in 2002 than they were in 1991.*

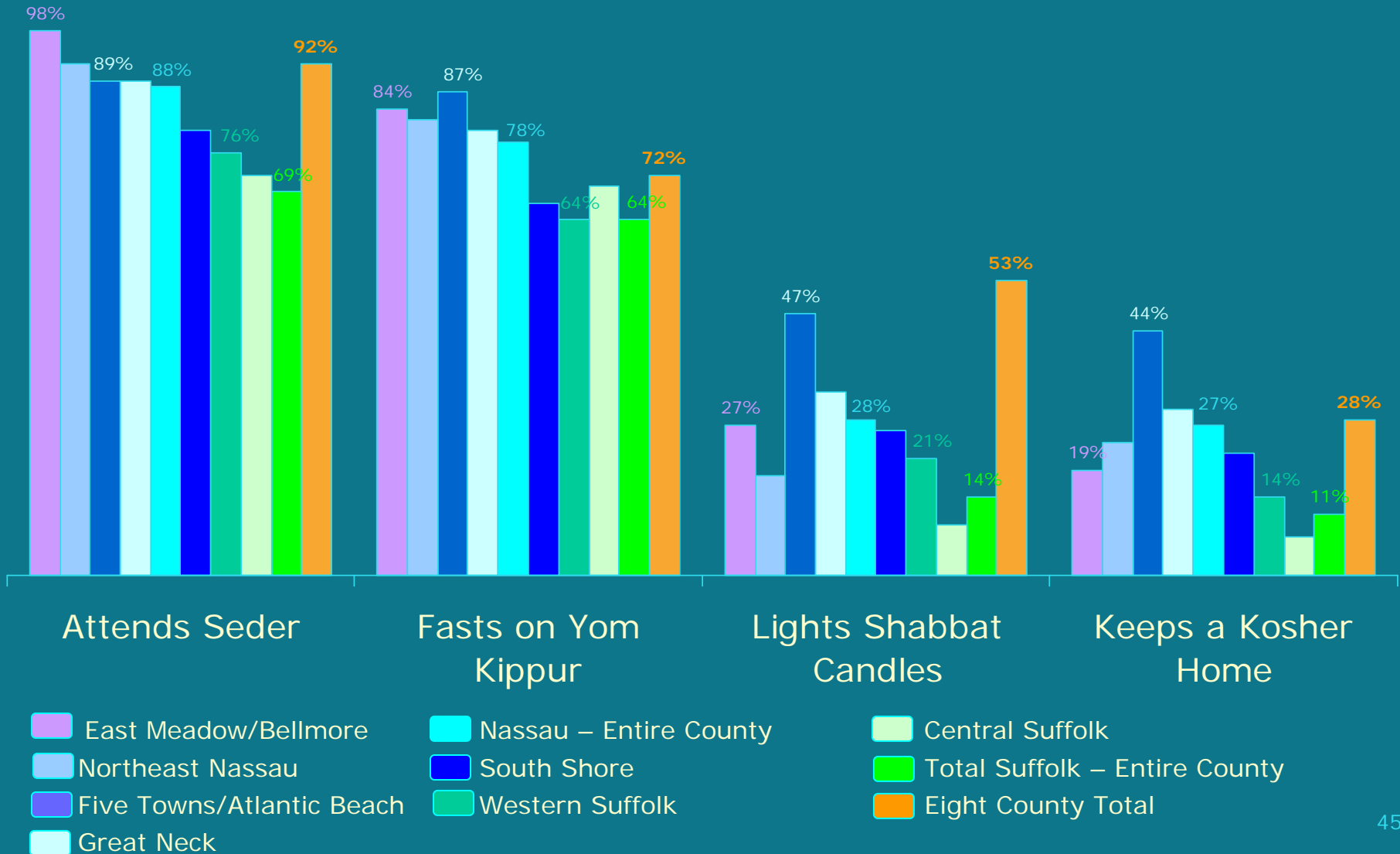


*Always, usually, and sometimes combined in 2002 and 1991 for seder, Chanukah, Yom Kippur, and Shabbat candles. In 2002, respondent was asked: "Do you keep a kosher home?" In 1991, question was if household "...uses two sets of dishes."



JEWISH CONNECTIONS: PRACTICE

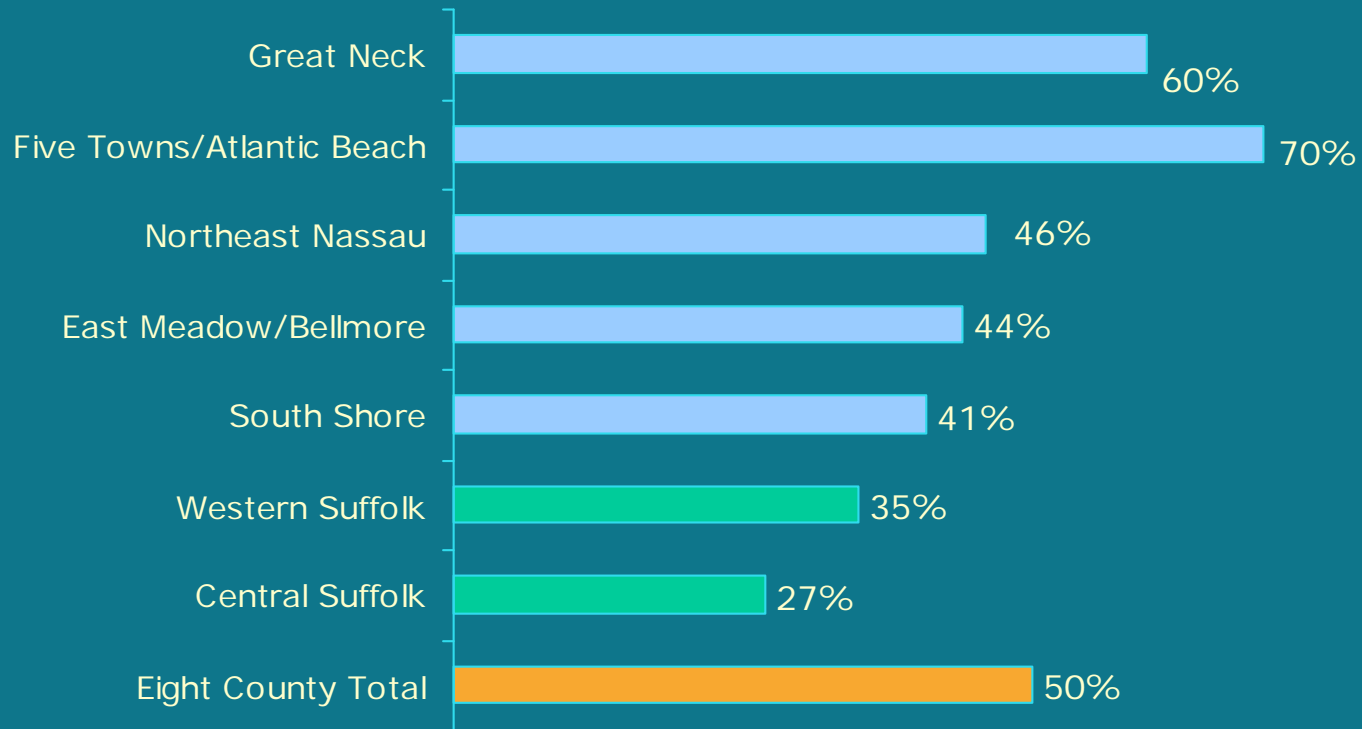
Indicators of Jewish Practice, Long Island





JEWISH CONNECTIONS: TRAVEL TO ISRAEL

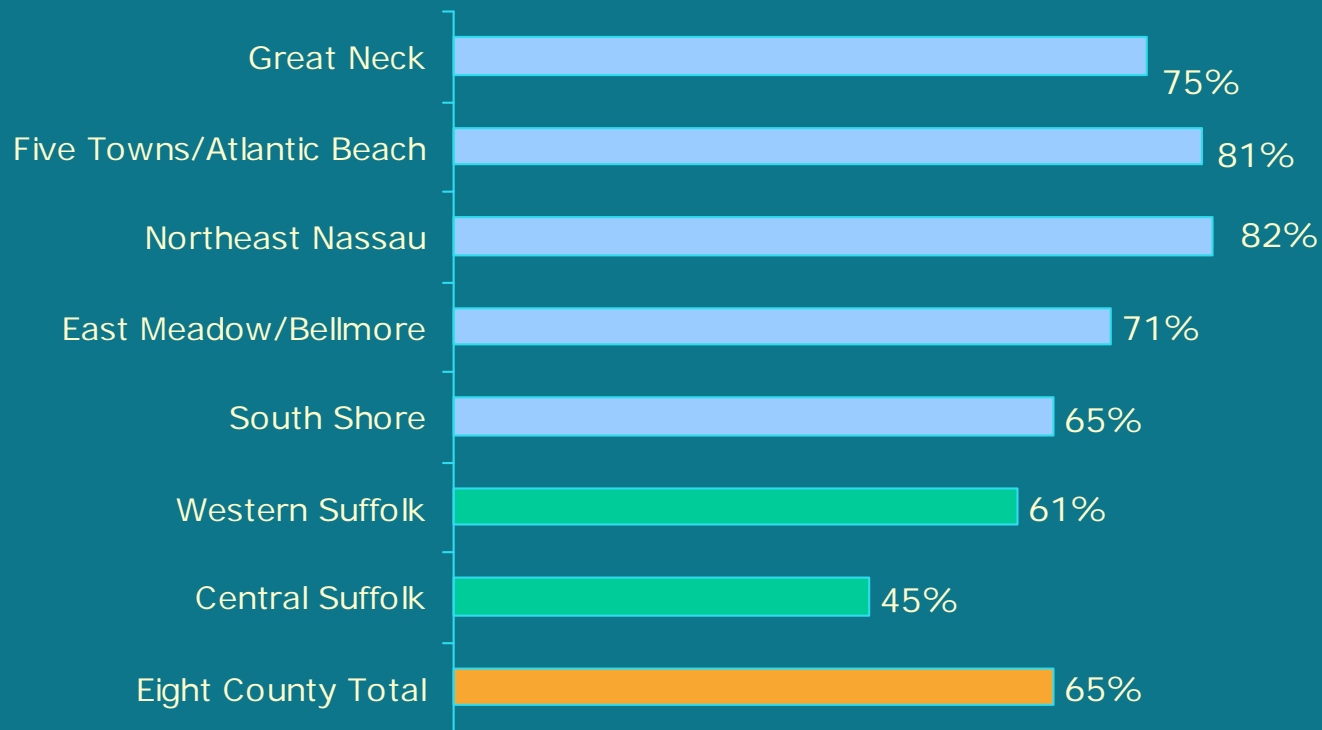
Suffolk County Jewish respondents are less likely to have ever traveled to Israel than Jewish respondents elsewhere on Long Island.





JEWISH CONNECTIONS

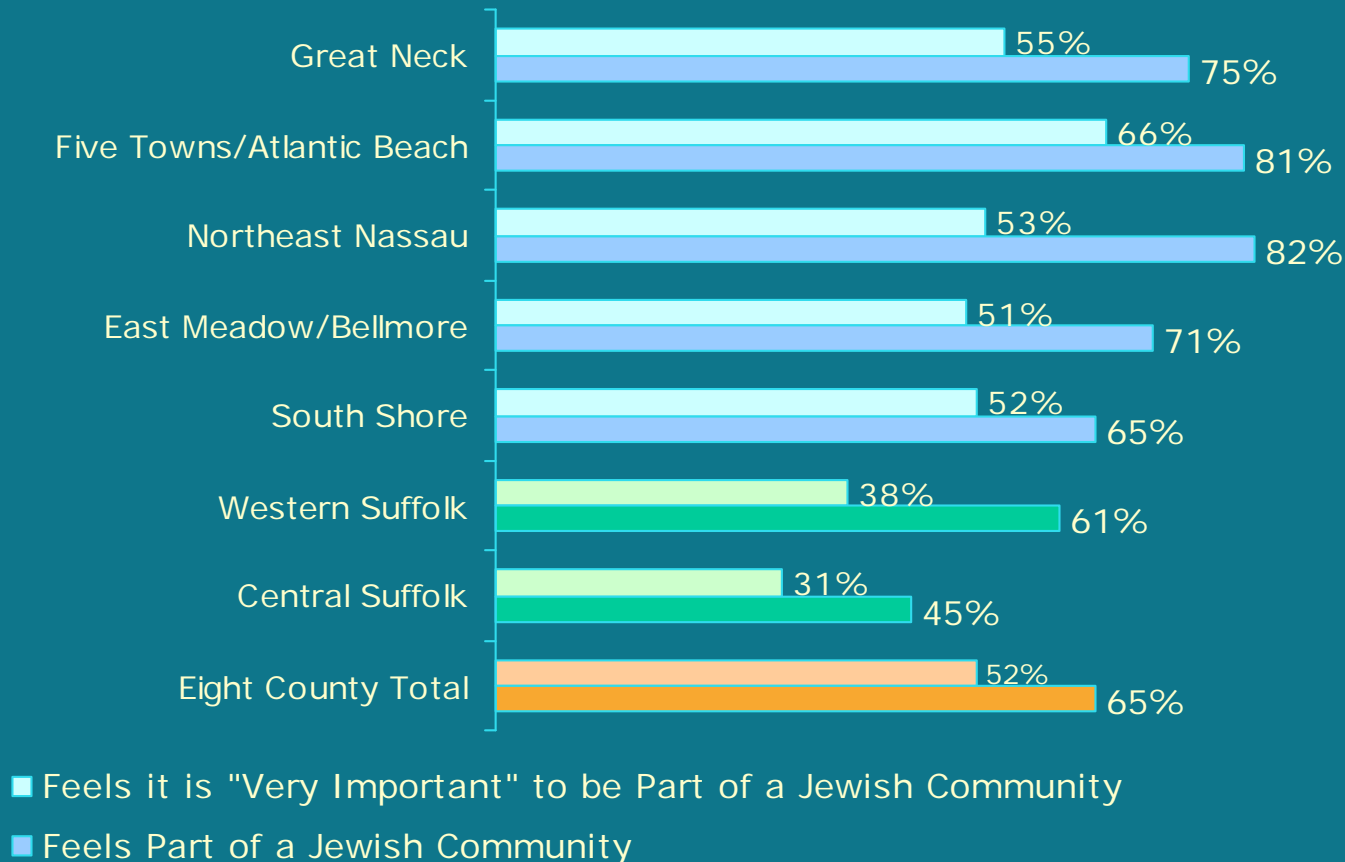
Respondents in almost every area in Nassau County report feeling connected to a Jewish community in New York at higher rates than the overall eight-county rate.





JEWISH CONNECTIONS

Throughout Long Island, many respondents feel part of a Jewish community even if they do not feel that being part of a Jewish community is "very important."





JEWISH CONNECTIONS: FORMAL JEWISH EDUCATION

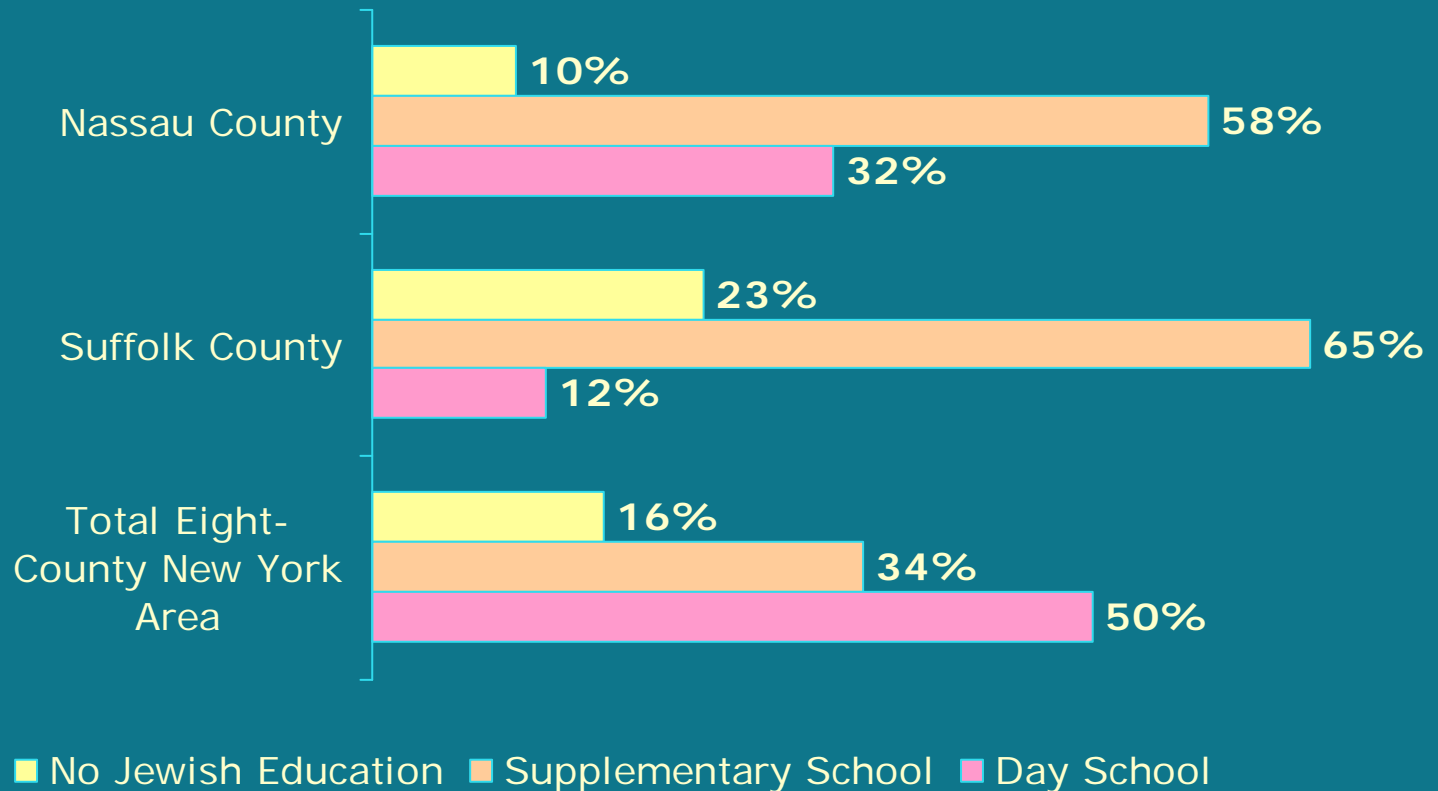
For the Eight-County area as a whole, respondent denomination is strongly related to Jewish education among children ages 6 – 17.

Jewish Education of Jewish Children Ages 6 – 17	Orthodox Households	Conservative Households	Reform Households	Non-Denominational Households	Secular, No Religion Households
Current or previous Full-time Day School	97%	25%	8%	20%	8%
Current or previous Supplementary School	1	62	75	40	20
No Jewish Education	1	13	18	40	63
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%



JEWISH CONNECTIONS: FORMAL JEWISH EDUCATION

Jewish Education of Children Ages 6 – 17 Being Raised Jewish or Jewish and Something Else.



JEWISH CONNECTIONS: FORMAL JEWISH EDUCATION

Jewish Education of Children Ages 6 – 17 Being Raised Jewish or Jewish and Something Else, Long Island.

Principal Areas of Jewish Residence	No Jewish Education	Supplementary School (Past or Present)	Day School (Past or Present)
Nassau – Entire County	10%	58%	32%
* Great Neck	5	55	39
* Five Towns/Atlantic Beach	5	20	75
* Northeast Nassau	16	76	42
* East Meadow/Bellmore**	23	71	6
* South Shore **	<1%	42	58
Suffolk – Entire County	23	65	12
* Central Suffolk**	22	60	8
* Western Suffolk	17	62	21

* Due to there being more complete data on Orthodox households than non-Orthodox households relating to Jewish education of children, the data slightly over-estimates the percent enrolled in Jewish day schools. An improved procedure to estimate Jewish education was applied at the County level, but not at the community level due to the smaller number of interviews in small areas compared with counties. One can assume that the percentage of children in day school is less than the percentage on the asterisked lines, by up to but not more than 10%.

** The sample size in these communities was very small, so this data needs to be treated with some caution.

JEWISH CONNECTIONS: INFORMAL JEWISH EDUCATION

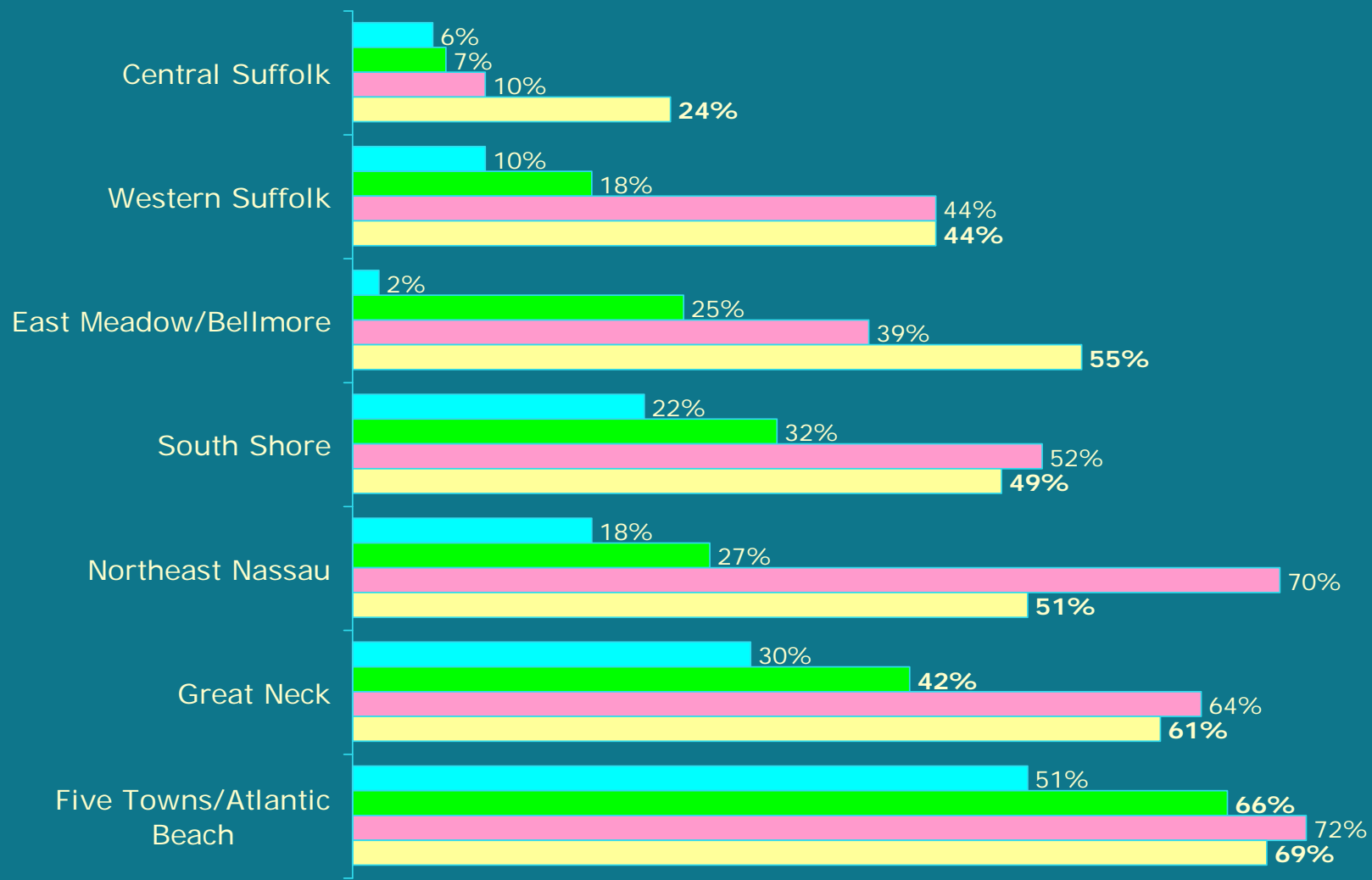
Children ages 6 – 17 in Nassau County have comparatively high rates of participation in informal Jewish educational activities

Informal Jewish Education	Eight-County Total	Nassau County	Suffolk County
Jewish Youth Group	46%	55%	31%
Summer Overnight Camp with Jewish Content	33%	37%	12%
Involved in Athletic or Other Extra-Curricular Activities at a JCC, Synagogue, or Another Jewish Setting	46%	57%	29%
Been to Israel	22%	22%	7%



JEWISH CONNECTIONS: PRACTICE

Informal Jewish Education, Children 6 – 17, Long Island





INTERMARRIAGE

Inmarried Jewish Households

- Both spouses raised as Jews.

Conversionary Jewish Households

- Jewish adult married to spouse who was not raised as a Jew, but the spouse currently considers self Jewish (regardless of whether formal conversion occurred).

Intermarried Jewish Households

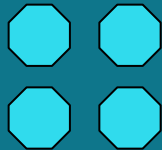
- Jewish adult married to spouse who does NOT consider self Jewish.

INTERMARRIAGE: CALCULATIONS

There are two ways to calculate intermarriage rates:

- For Jewish persons, and
- For marriages.

INMARRIED



1 out of 5 Jewish persons is **intermarried** – a 20% Jewish persons **intermarriage** rate

INTERMARRIED



1 out of 3 couples are **intermarried** – a 33% couples **intermarriage** rate



INTERMARRIAGE

2002 Survey Data:

- a 13% Jewish persons intermarried rate, and
- a 22% couples intermarriage rate.

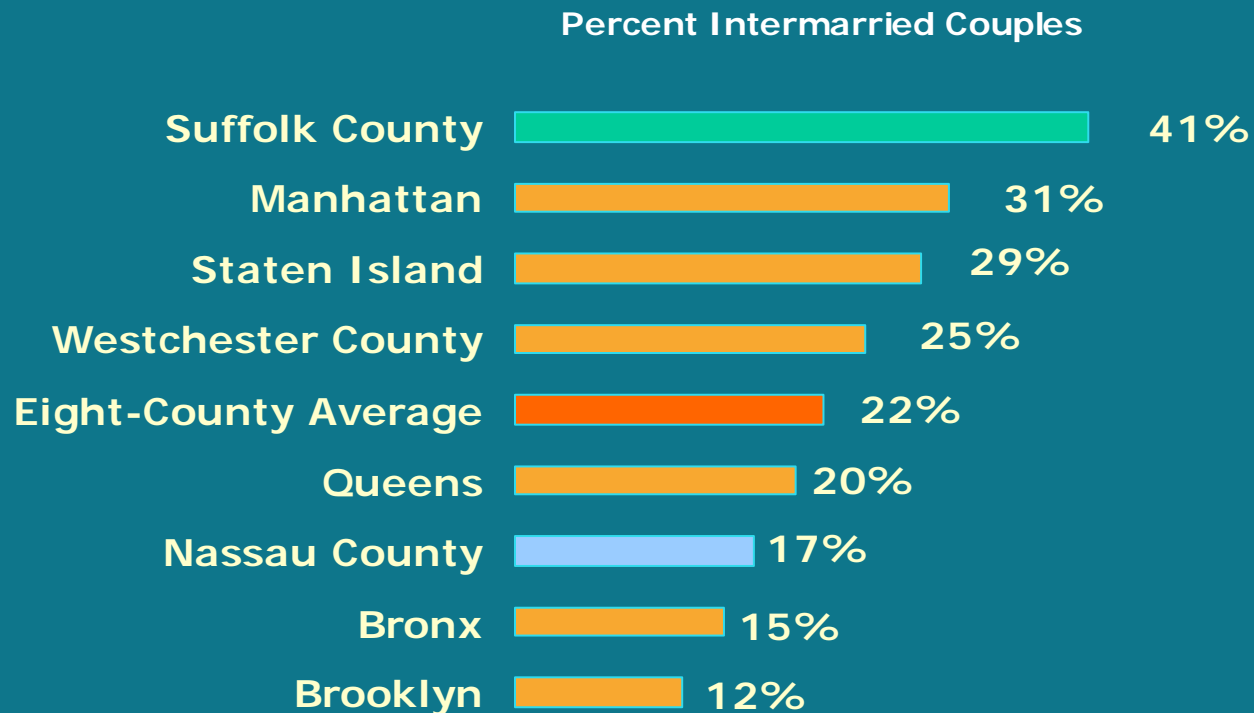
Type of Marriage	Percent of Jewish Born Persons*	Percent of Marriages
Inmarriage	83%	72%
Conversionary Marriage	4	7
Intermarriage	13	22
Total	100%	100%

*Since an inmarriage involves two Jewish persons, intermarriage rates based on Jewish persons are different from intermarriage rates calculated on the basis of marriages/couples. Percentages may not add to 100% due to rounding.



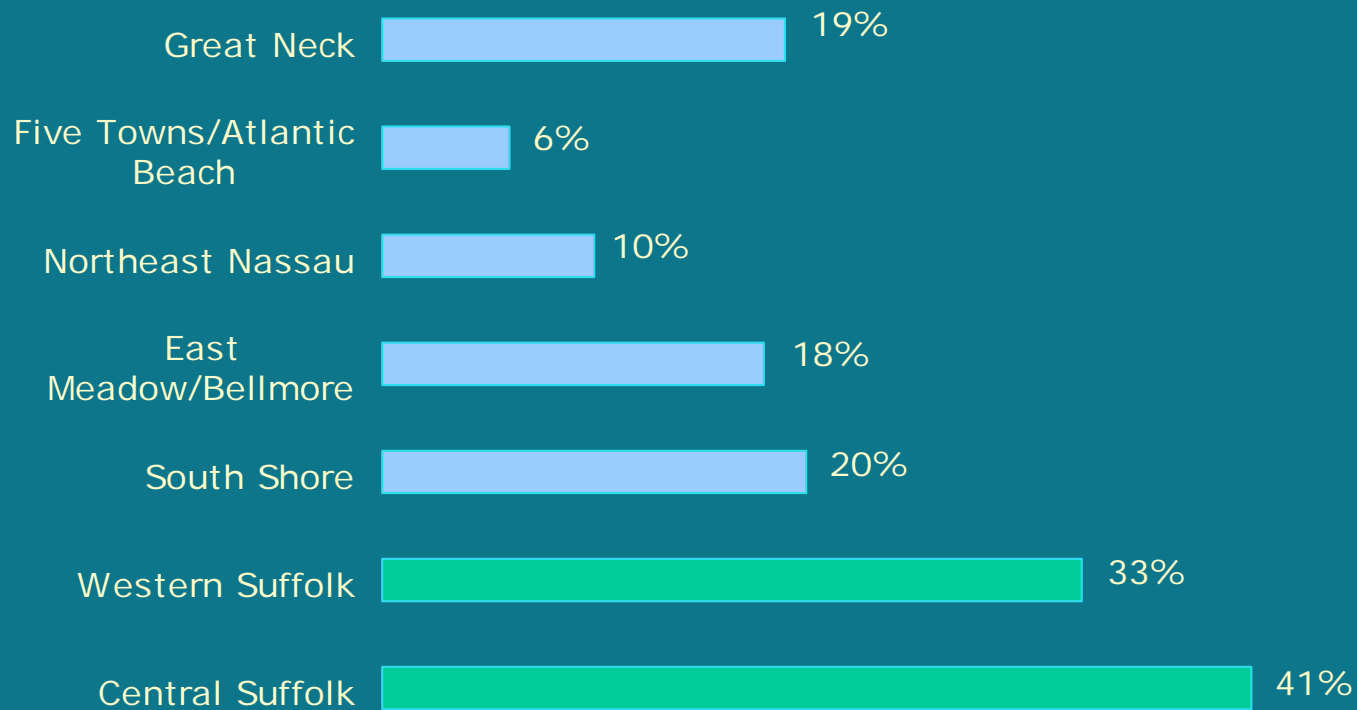
INTERMARRIAGE: BOROUGH/COUNTY

Suffolk County Jewish households are most likely to be intermarried.



INTERMARRIAGE: LONG ISLAND

In much of Nassau county, nearly one in five Jewish households is intermarried.



INTERMARRIAGE & RAISING CHILDREN JEWISH

More than 99% of children living in inmarried households are being raised as Jews.

Less than 50% of children living in intermarried households are being raised as Jews.

Child Being Raised	Inmarried Households	Conversionary Households	Intermarried Households
Jewish	99%	80%	30%
Jewish and Something Else	<1	3	17
Not Jewish	<1	15	48
Undecided	<1	2	4
Total	100%	100%	100%



VULNERABLE POPULATIONS & HUMAN SERVICES

VULNERABLE POPULATIONS: ISOLATED OLDER ADULTS

Approximately 83,000 Jewish seniors live *alone* in the New York area.

Jewish Seniors Living Alone		
Age	Number	Percent of Respondents in Age Group
65 – 74	27,000	34%
75 – 84	37,000	50%
85+	19,000	71%
Total, 65+	83,000	46%

Of the Jewish seniors 75 and older living alone, 25,000 (44%) do *not* have an adult child living in the area.

VULNERABLE POPULATIONS: ISOLATED OLDER ADULTS

Although Suffolk County has fewer seniors, a larger portion of the senior population in Suffolk County and in the South Shore area live alone.

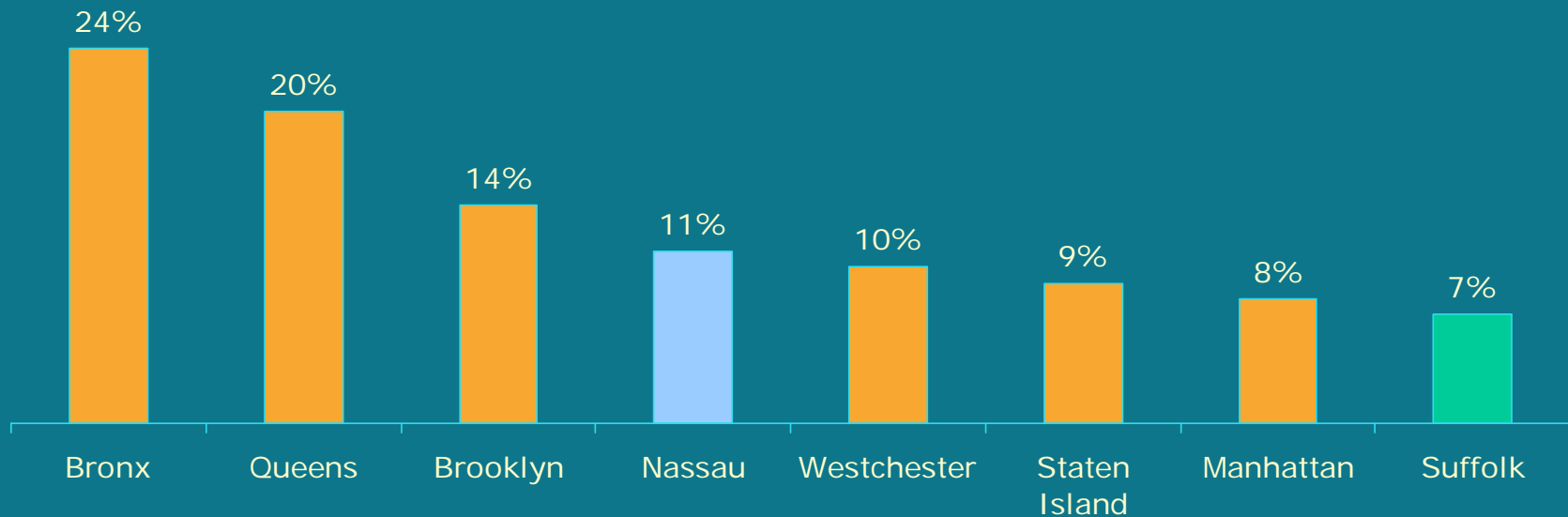
Principal Areas of Jewish Residence	Percent of Area Population Age 65 – 74	Percent of Respondents 65 – 74 Living Alone	Percent of Area Population Age 75+	Percent of Respondents 75+ Living Alone
Nassau – Entire County	10%	19%	9%	38%
Great Neck	10	11	7	43
Five Towns/Atlantic Beach	11	22	14	40
Northeast Nassau	11	16	5	22
East Meadow/Bellmore	8	19	9	26
South Shore	8	25	7	42
Suffolk – Entire County	7	29	5	42
Central Suffolk	8	32	5	46
Western Suffolk	5	8	3	42



VULNERABLE POPULATIONS: MARITAL STATUS

Nassau and Suffolk have fewer widows and widowers than the other counties.

Percent of Survey Respondents Who Are Widows or Widowers

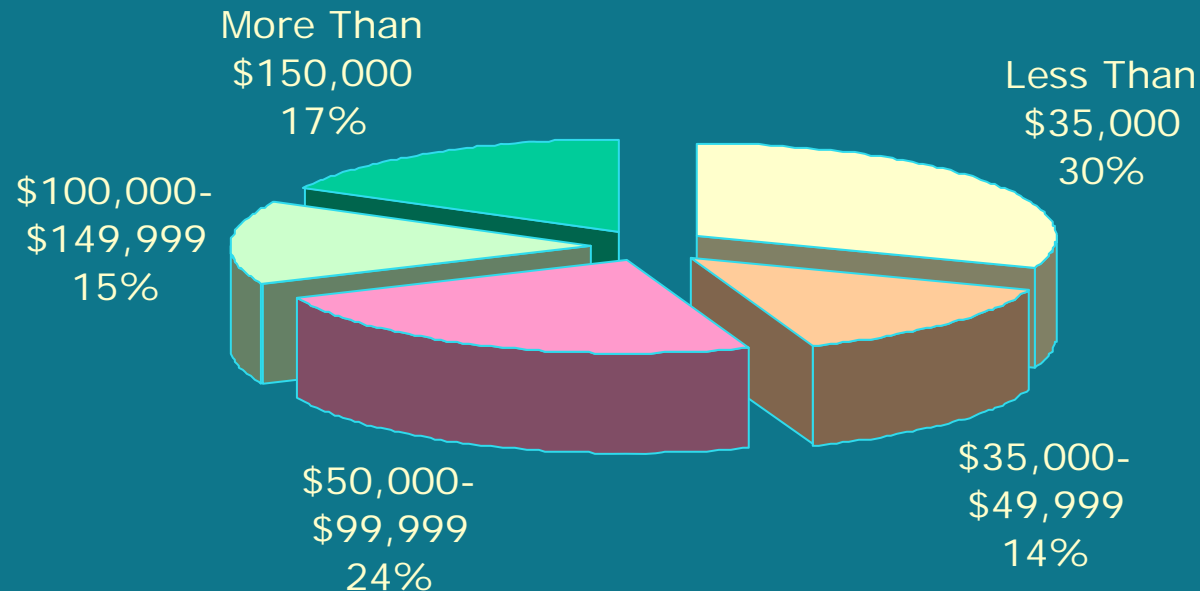


VULNERABLE POPULATIONS: INCOME

Across the eight-county area, almost one in three Jewish households (31%) reports an annual income of less than \$35,000.

On Long Island, only 13% of households earn less than \$35,000.

Annual Household Income, Jewish Households
Eight County New York Area, 2002*



* Percentages may not add to 100% due to rounding.

VULNERABLE POPULATIONS: INCOME

Lower income-levels are more common in Suffolk County, and in the Northeast Nassau and Five Towns/Atlantic Beach areas.

Principal Areas of Jewish Residence	Less than \$35,000	\$35,000 - \$99,000	\$100,000+	Total
Great Neck	5%	33%	62%	100%
East Meadow/Bellmore	6	38	56	100%
South Shore	8	44	48	100%
Nassau – Entire County	11	42	48	100%
Five Towns/Atlantic Beach	15	39	47	100%
Central Suffolk	15	54	32	100%
Western Suffolk	16	41	44	100%
Northeast Nassau	16	42	42	100%
Suffolk – Entire County	17	50	33	100%

VULNERABLE POPULATIONS: SUBJECTIVE FINANCES

Using a subjective measure of financial status, 27% of Long Island respondents report that they cannot make ends meet or are “just managing.”

At the eight-county level, 36% fall in this category.

Principal Areas of Jewish Residence	Cannot Make Ends Meet/Just Managing	Have Enough	Have Extra Money/Wealthy	Total
Great Neck	16%	39%	46%	100%
East Meadow/Bellmore	27	49	24	100%
South Shore	26	37	37	100%
Five Towns/Atlantic Beach	23	44	33	100%
Central Suffolk	33	38	29	100%
Western Suffolk	29	37	34	100%
Northeast Nassau	32	39	28	100%



VULNERABLE POPULATIONS: JEWISH POVERTY

One in six New York area Jewish households is poor.
Jewish poverty is concentrated in New York City.

	Estimated Number of Poor Jewish Households*	Percent of All Jewish Households
New York City	96,000	21%
Nassau, Suffolk, and Westchester	7,000	4%
Total Eight-County Area Poor Jewish Households	103,000	16%

*Total households estimated to be under 150% of poverty guidelines. Base totals: New York City Jewish Households=455,000; Nassau, Suffolk, and Westchester Jewish Households=188,000. Estimates rounded for presentation.

VULNERABLE POPULATIONS: JEWISH POVERTY

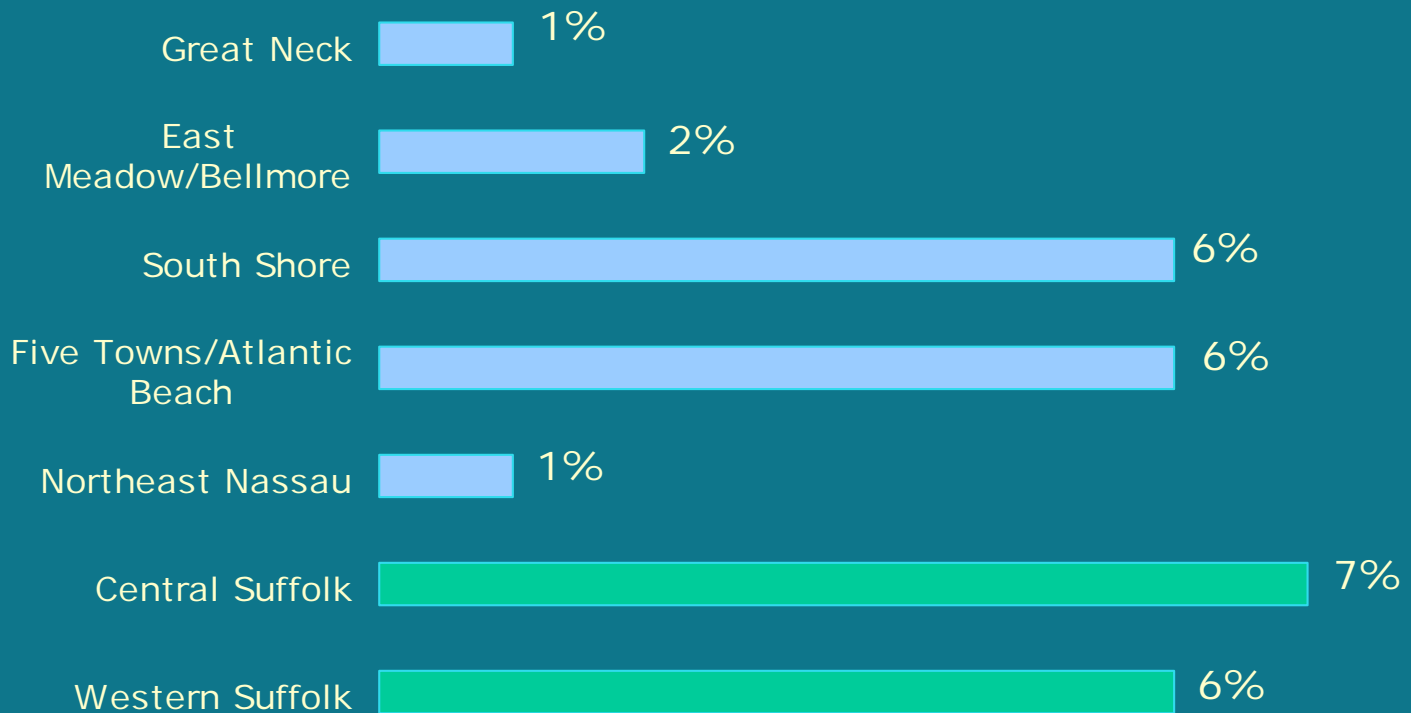
People in Poor and Near Poor Jewish Households, Eight-County New York Area, 2002

Borough/County	People in Poor Jewish Households	People in Poor Jewish Households as a Percent of People in All Jewish Households	People in Near Poor Jewish Households	People in Near Poor Jewish Households as a Percent of People in All Jewish Households
Bronx	10,400	19%	8,500	16%
Brooklyn	156,200	30%	40,800	8%
Manhattan	12,800	4%	13,700	5%
Queens	42,700	19%	26,000	12%
Staten Island	3,900	8%	1,200	2%
Nassau County	4,300	2%	6,300	3%
Suffolk County	7,600	6%	5,300	4%
Westchester County	6,000	4%	4,400	3%
Total, Eight-County New York Area	244,000	15%	104,200	6%



VULNERABLE POPULATIONS: JEWISH POVERTY

Poverty (Less than 150% Federal Poverty Guidelines) in Principal Jewish Areas on Long Island, 2002



VULNERABLE POPULATIONS: HUMAN-SERVICE NEEDS

Nassau and Suffolk County residents report seeking assistance for a variety of human services at a similar rate to people across the eight-county New York area.

The one exception is job/career counseling, which is sought at above average rates in Northeast Nassau (16%), and below average rates everywhere else on Long Island (5 – 9%).

In 12 Months Prior to Study, Household Member Sought Assistance	Eight-County Total	Nassau County	Suffolk County
In Coping with a Serious or Chronic Illness	24%	22%	24%
For Personal, Marriage, or Family Counseling	7%	8%	8%
For Job or Career Counseling	12%	9%	8%
For Services for a Person with a Disability	9%	10%	11%
For Services for an Older Adult	11%	11%	11%

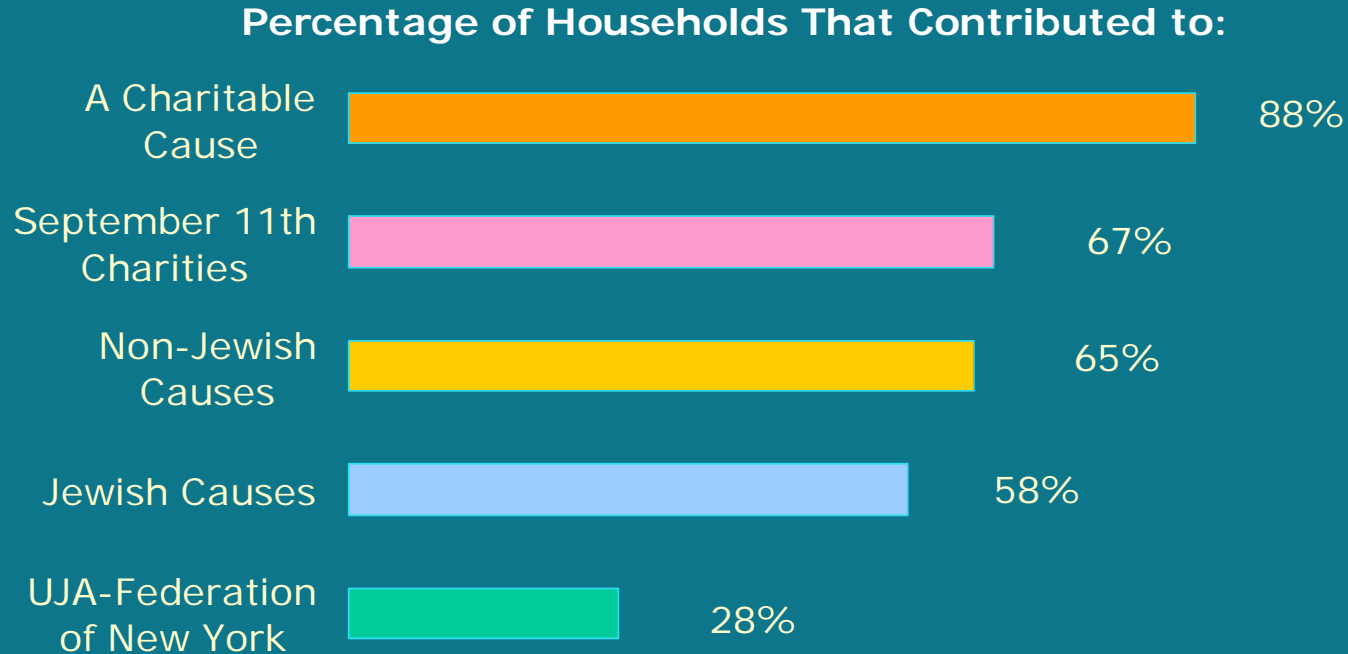


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88% of respondents across the eight-county New York area report household contributions to charitable causes.





Household Philanthropic Contribution Patterns

Philanthropic Contribution Patterns of Jewish Households, by Age of Respondent, Eight-County New York Area, 2002

Household Philanthropic Pattern	Age of Respondent				
	18 - 34	35 - 49	50 - 64	65 - 74	75+
Does Not Make Any Contributions	14%	9%	11%	13%	16%
Non-Jewish Contributions Only	38	34	28	20	20
Jewish Contributions Only	18	16	14	19	21
Non-Jewish and Jewish Contributions	29	41	47	48	43
Total	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%

PHILANTHROPY: LONG ISLAND

Philanthropic Contribution Patterns of Jewish Households, 2002

Principal Areas of Jewish Residence	No Charitable Gift	Non-Jewish Gifts Only	Both Jewish and Non-Jewish Gifts	Jewish Gifts Only	Total	UJA-Federation of New York
Nassau – Entire County	6%	25%	58%	12%	100%	41%
Great Neck	6	17	61	16	100%	52
Five Towns/Atlantic Beach	9	15	64	12	100%	47
Northeast Nassau	2	27	60	10	100%	41
East Meadow/Bellmore	1	26	56	17	100%	39
South Shore	5	28	56	10	100%	37
Suffolk – Entire County	9	44	41	6	100%	23
Central Suffolk	8	38	48	5	100%	30
Western Suffolk	7	44	45	5	100%	24
Eight County Total	12	29	41	17	100%	28

A comparison between the wealthiest areas & those that are most philanthropic to Jewish causes

Areas with Households Earning 100K+ Per Year

- Northern Westchester
- Central/Southeastern Westchester
- **Great Neck**
- Upper East Side
- Gramercy Park/Murray Hill

Areas that are Most Philanthropic to Jewish Causes

- **Great Neck**
- **The Five Towns/Atlantic Beach**
- **East Meadow/Bellmore**
- Borough Park
- Fresh Meadows/Kew Gardens/Hillside



NEXT STEPS...

Information from this study can be used to inform:

- **Strategic Planning**, to assess recalibration of services, infrastructure, and fundraising in light of population shifts.
- **Program Development**, to help better define and understand potential target populations
- **Grantsmanship**, to document the scope of needs



SOURCES FOR MORE INFORMATION

Information from this study can be obtained from:

- **The Reports**
 - *Jewish Community Study of New York: 2002*
 - *Geographic Profile*
 - *Report on Jewish Poverty*
 - *Special Report on Nazi Victims in the New York Area*
 - » Available at www.ujafedny.org/jewishcommunitystudy
- **The Data File**
 - » Available at the North American Jewish Data Bank
- **Inquiries to UJA-Federation of New York**
 - » Address inquiries to Jennifer Rosenberg

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