



# gentrification

## **a statistical analysis**

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# Concept of gentrification?



# Economics?



- Rent increases
- House prices increase
- City gets more revenues from taxes





# Unaffordable housing => leave

- People have to leave neighborhood, leave friends and social connections.
- May have longer commute to work.



# Other Social Impacts?

- Traffic
- Construction
- Social services: health, education, ..





# Whole Foods effect



## ◉ What Effect?

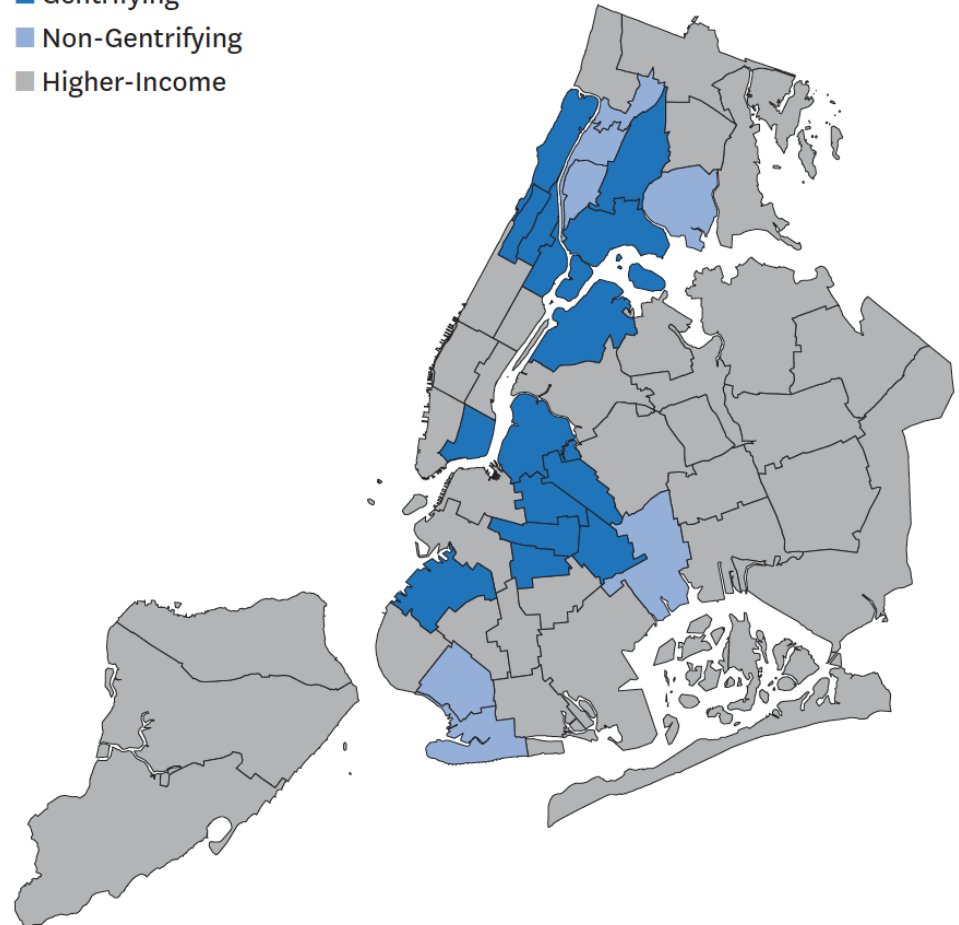
- ◉ Affordable food?
- ◉ Other upscale retailers gather around?
- ◉ Rents they can pay vs Mom & Pop shops?

# Define gentrification in NYC?

- NYC Sub-Borough Areas (SBA):
- Low-income: bottom 40% of household income: i.e. 22 of 55 SBAs in NYC.
- Since 1990 all rent grew.
- BUT, for 15 low-income SBAs, rent increases were higher than median.
- **THESE ARE CALLED “GENTRIFYING”**

Figure 1: Classification of Sub-Borough Areas

- Gentrifying
- Non-Gentrifying
- Higher-Income






Source: NYU Furman Center

# Income Changes:



**Table 1: Average Percent Change in Mean Household Rent  
by Neighborhood Type**

	1990 to 2000	2000 to 2010-2014	1990 to 2010-2014
Citywide	1.9%	18.9%	22.1%
Gentrifying	3.0% 	30.4% 	34.3% 
Non-Gentrifying	-2.5%	16.1%	13.2%
Higher-Income	1.8%	15.8%	17.8%

*Sources: Neighborhood Change Database (1990, 2000),  
American Community Survey (2010-2014), NYU Furman Center*



# Household Income

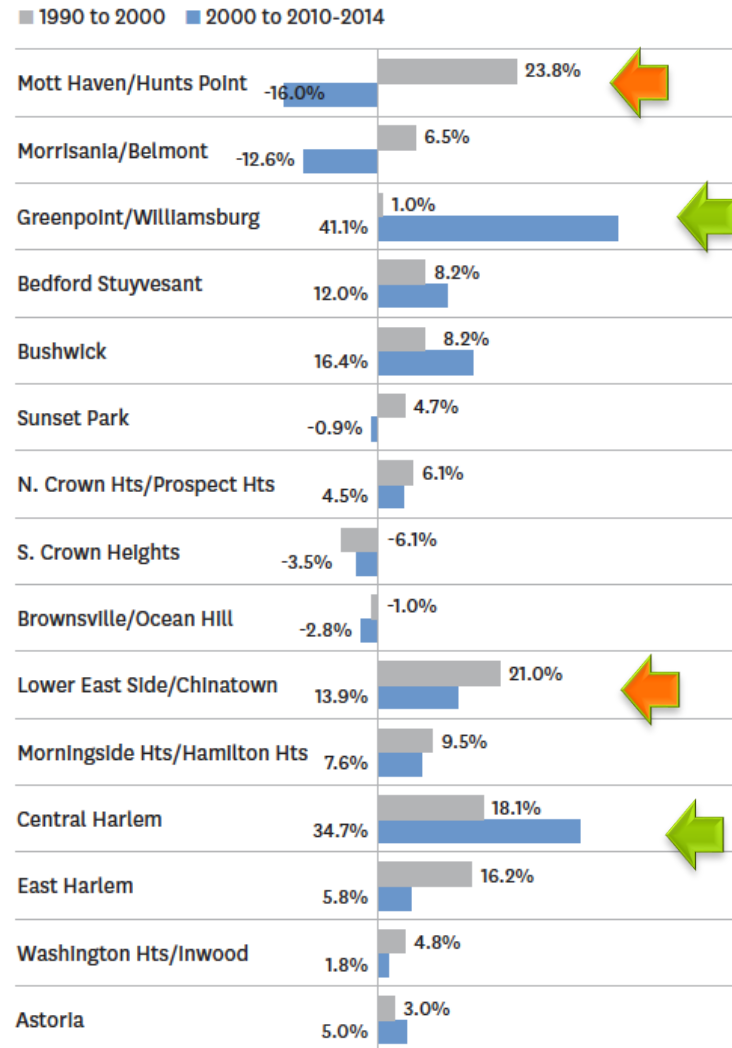
**Table 4: Inflation-Adjusted Average Household Income by Neighborhood Type (2015\$)**

	1990	2000	2005-09	2010-14
Citywide	\$ 78,500	\$ 80,300	\$ 79,900	\$ 79,950
Gentrifying	\$ 51,400	\$ 55,150	\$ 55,400	\$ 58,550
Non-Gentrifying	\$ 53,500	\$ 53,100	\$ 48,300	\$ 49,000
Higher-Income	\$ 95,700	\$ 96,450	\$ 96,300	\$ 95,200

Sources: *Neighborhood Change Database (1990, 2000)*,  
*American Community Survey (2005-2009, 2010-2014)*, NYU Furman Center

# Sub-borough ▲

**Figure 2: Percent Change In Average Income by Gentrifying Sub-Borough Area**



Source: *Neighborhood Change Database (1990, 2000), American Community Survey (2010-2014), NYU Furman Center*

# Income ▲ Impacts

**Table 10: Number and Share of Persons below the Poverty Line by Neighborhood Type**

	1990		2000		2010-14		
	Number	Share	Number	Share	Number	Share	
Citywide	1,384,996	19.4%	1,668,938	21.3%	1,696,394	20.7%	▲
Gentrifying	630,582	32.9%	666,354	32.9%	633,931	29.7%	▼
Non-Gentrifying	257,904	28.8%	307,030	31.3%	306,171	30.4%	
Higher-Income	496,510	11.4%	695,554	14.4%	756,292	14.9%	

Sources: *Neighborhood Change Database (1990, 2000)*,  
*American Community Survey (2010-2014)*, NYU Furman Center

**Table 11: Share of Households Rent Burdened by Neighborhood Type and Household Income**

	2000	2005-09	2010-14	
Citywide	40.7%	48.2%	51.7%	▲
Gentrifying	42.3%	50.7%	52.9%	▲
Non-Gentrifying	45.7%	54.3%	58.5%	▲
Higher-Income	38.7%	45.2%	49.3%	

Sources: *US Census (2000)*, *American Community Survey (2005-2009, 2010-2014)*,  
 NYU Furman Center (ACS PUMS)



# INCOME



## Non-Gentrifying

Highbridge/South Concourse	17.8%	\$ 43,150
Kingsbridge Heights/Moshulu	17.5%	\$ 54,750
University Heights/Fordham	14.2%	\$ 39,600
Soundview/Parkchester	14.0%	\$ 58,900
Bensonhurst	10.3%	\$ 66,750
Coney Island	9.9%	\$ 53,200
East New York/Starrett City	8.2%	\$ 52,750

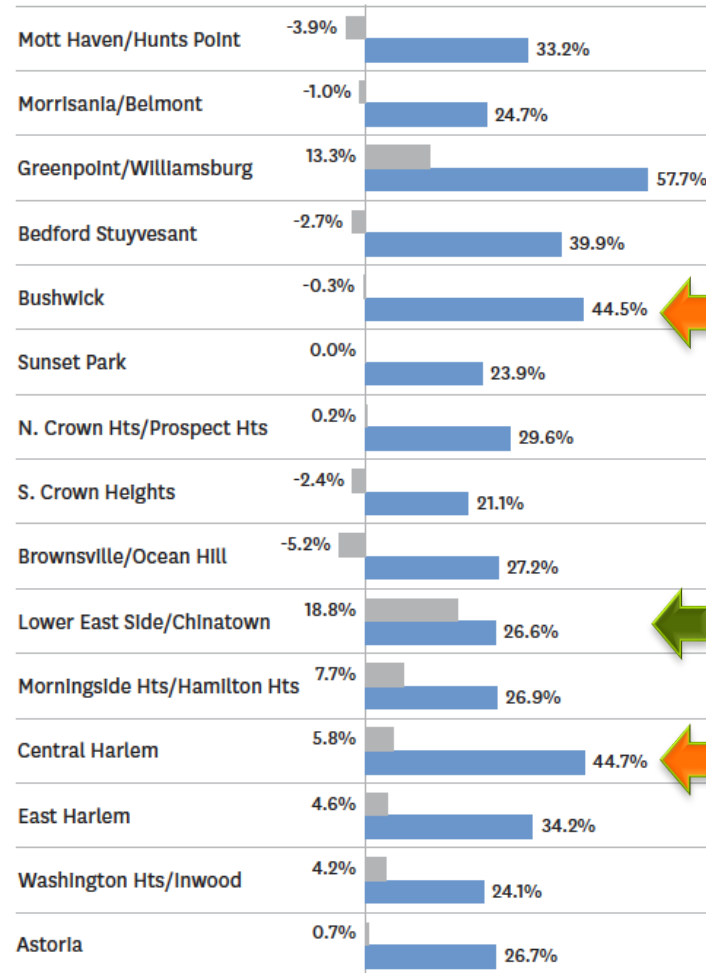
## Classification of Sub-Borough Areas

<i>Sub-Borough Area</i>	<i>Percent Change in Average Rent, 1990 to 2010-2014</i>	<i>Average Household Income in 1990 (\$2015)</i>
<b>New York City</b>	<b>22.1%</b>	<b>\$ 78,500</b>
<b>Gentrifying</b>		
Williamsburg/Greenpoint	78.7%	\$ 53,550
Central Harlem	53.2%	\$ 39,650
Lower East Side/Chinatown	50.3%	\$ 54,350
Bushwick	44.0%	\$ 42,500
East Harlem	40.3%	\$ 47,300
Morningside Heights/Hamilton Heights	36.7%	\$ 61,500
Bedford Stuyvesant	36.1%	\$ 46,150
North Crown Heights/Prospect Heights	29.9%	\$ 56,600
Washington Heights/Inwood	29.3%	\$ 55,650
Mott Haven/Hunts Point	28.0%	\$ 32,250
Astoria	27.6%	\$ 64,600
Sunset Park	23.9%	\$ 62,550
Morrisania/Belmont	23.5%	\$ 36,900
Brownsville/Ocean Hill	20.5%	\$ 43,100
South Crown Heights	18.1%	\$ 62,900

# Sub-Borough R\$

**Figure 1: Percent Change in Average Rent  
by Gentrifying Sub-Borough Area**

■ 1990 to 2000 ■ 2000 to 2010-2014



Source: Neighborhood Change Database (1990, 2000),  
American Community Survey (2010-2014), NYU Furman Center

# Burdened:

**Table 12: Share of Households Rent Burdened  
by Neighborhood Type and Household Income**


	2000	2005-09	2010-14
<b>Gentrifying</b>			
Extremely and Very Low-Income (<50% AMI)	67.8%	75.9%	75.4%
Low-Income (51-80% AMI)	28.8%	40.8%	49.8%
Moderate-Income (81-120% AMI)	8.5%	18.7%	26.8%
<b>Non-Gentrifying</b>			
Extremely and Very Low- Income (<50% AMI)	73.8%	80.0%	80.1%
Low- Income (51-80% AMI)	29.4%	40.4%	51.7%
Moderate- Income (81-120% AMI)	3.0%	6.8%	9.6%
<b>Higher-Income</b>			
Extremely and Very Low Income (<50% AMI)	75.9%	81.3%	81.6%
Low- Income (51-80% AMI)	49.1%	58.0%	64.8%
Moderate- Income (81-120% AMI)	18.5%	27.5%	32.9%

Sources: US Census (2000), American Community Survey (2005-2009, 2010-2014),  
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# Population

**Table 2: Percent Change in Population  
by Decade and Neighborhood Type**

	% Change 1970- 1980	% Change 1980- 1990	% Change 1990- 2000	% Change 2000- 2010	% Change 1970- 2010
Citywide	-10.4%	3.6%	9.4%	2.1%	3.6%
Gentrifying 	-25.9%	5.6%	5.7%	1.8%	-15.8%
Non-Gentrifying	-6.8%	3.1%	9.8%	2.8%	8.4%
Higher-Income	-2.3%	2.8%	10.9%	2.1%	13.6%



*Sources: Neighborhood Change Database (1970, 1980, 1990, 2000, 2010),  
NYU Furman Center*

# Influx of Younger Adults

**Table 6: Share of Population Aged 20 to 34 by Neighborhood Type**

	1990	2000	2005-09	2010-14
Citywide	26.4%	24.2%	23.6%	25.1%
Gentrifying	27.1%	25.4%	26.8%	28.8%
Non-Gentrifying	25.5%	22.3%	21.5%	23.0%
Higher-Income	26.2%	24.0%	22.7%	23.9%

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# Non-family households

**Table 7: Share Non-Family Households by Neighborhood Type**

	1990	2000	2005-09	2010-14
Citywide	35.3%	35.7%	37.8%	38.0%
Gentrifying	34.3%	36.5%	41.5%	42.5%
Non-Gentrifying	29.6%	29.1%	32.2%	32.8%
Higher-Income	36.9%	36.7%	37.3%	37.0%

Sources: *Neighborhood Change Database* (1990, 2000),  
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**Table 8: Share of Families with Children by Neighborhood Type**

	1990	2000	2005-09	2010-14
Citywide	48.3%	50.7%	48.2%	47.0%
Gentrifying	55.6%	55.7%	51.7%	49.6%
Non-Gentrifying	55.5%	57.2%	53.9%	51.8%
Higher-Income	43.5%	47.3%	45.6%	44.9%

Sources: *Neighborhood Change Database* (1990, 2000),  
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# College Degree

**Table 5: Share of Population 25+ with a College Degree  
by Neighborhood Type**

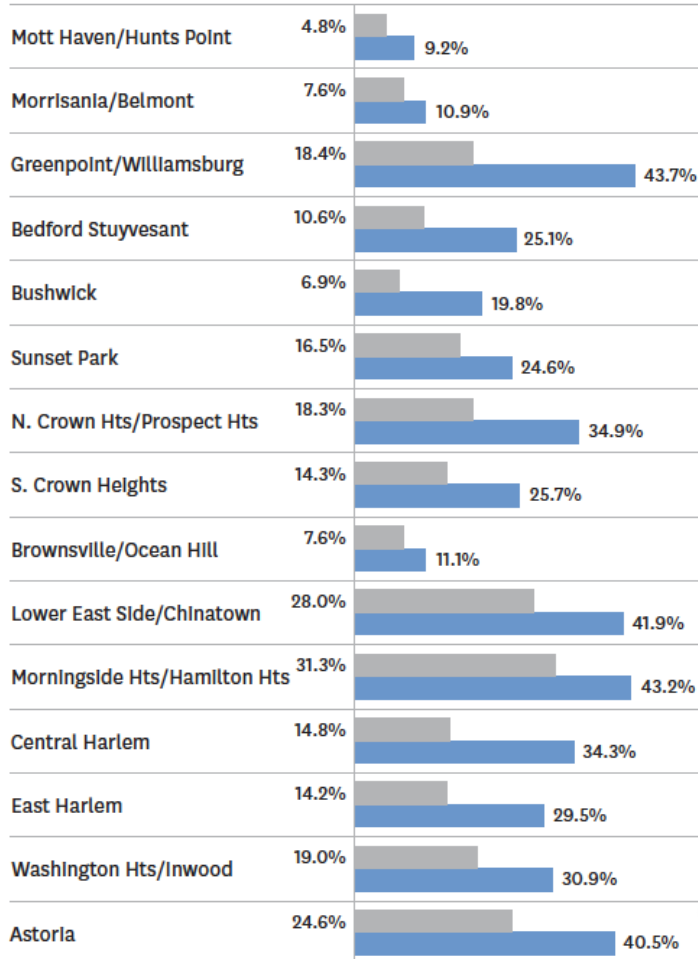
	1990	2000	2005-09	2010-14
Citywide	21.5%	25.7%	31.6%	33.6%
Gentrifying	12.9%	16.4%	24.7%	28.5%
Non-Gentrifying	9.8%	13.7%	16.6%	18.2%
Higher-Income	27.6%	32.0%	37.4%	38.8%

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**Figure 4: Share of Adult Population with College Degree  
by Gentrifying Sub-Borough Area**

■ 1990 to 2000 ■ 2000 to 2010-2014

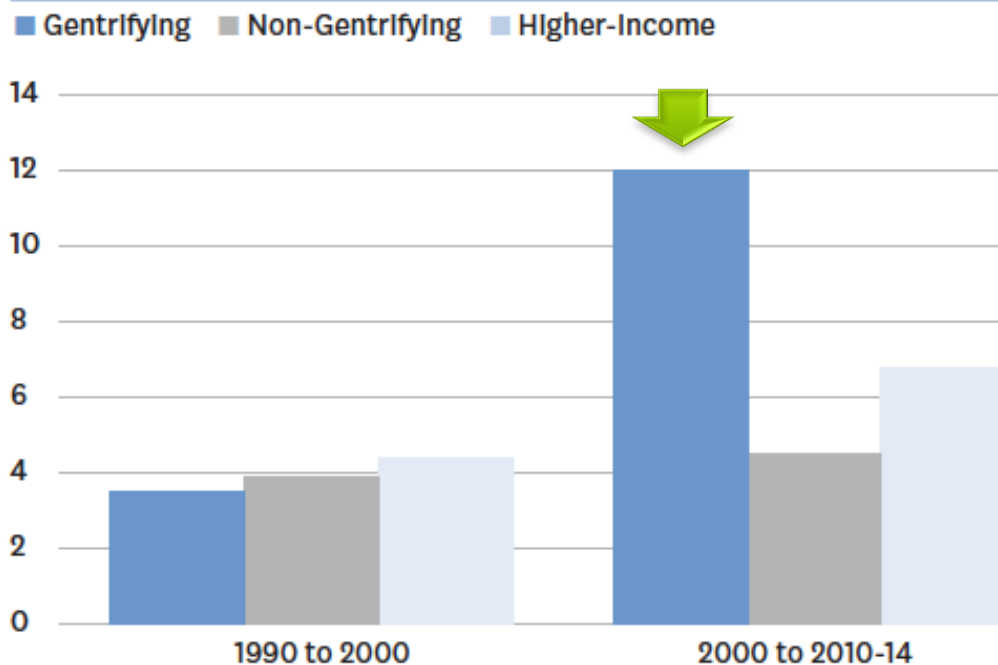


Sub-boroughs

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# Comparison of Decades

**Figure 5: Percentage Point Change in Share of Population 25+ with a College Degree by Neighborhood Type**



Sources: *Neighborhood Change Database (1990, 2000)*,  
*American Community Survey (2010-2014)*, NYU Furman Center



# Racial:

**Table 9: Racial Composition by Neighborhood Type**

	1990	2000	2010
<b>Citywide</b>			
Share Asian	6.8%	10.6%	13.4%
Share Black	25.6%	25.6%	23.6%
Share Hispanic	23.7%	27.0%	28.6%
Share White	43.4%	35.8%	33.4%
<b>Gentrifying</b>			
Share Asian	5.3%	7.5%	8.7%
Share Black	37.9%	34.4%	30.9%
Share Hispanic	37.3%	40.1%	39.2%
Share White	18.8%	17.1%	20.6%
<b>Non-Gentrifying</b>			
Share Asian	5.0%	8.1%	11.1%
Share Black	28.0%	26.7%	24.9%
Share Hispanic	38.4%	42.0%	45.2%
Share White	28.0%	22.1%	17.8%



# Housing Units

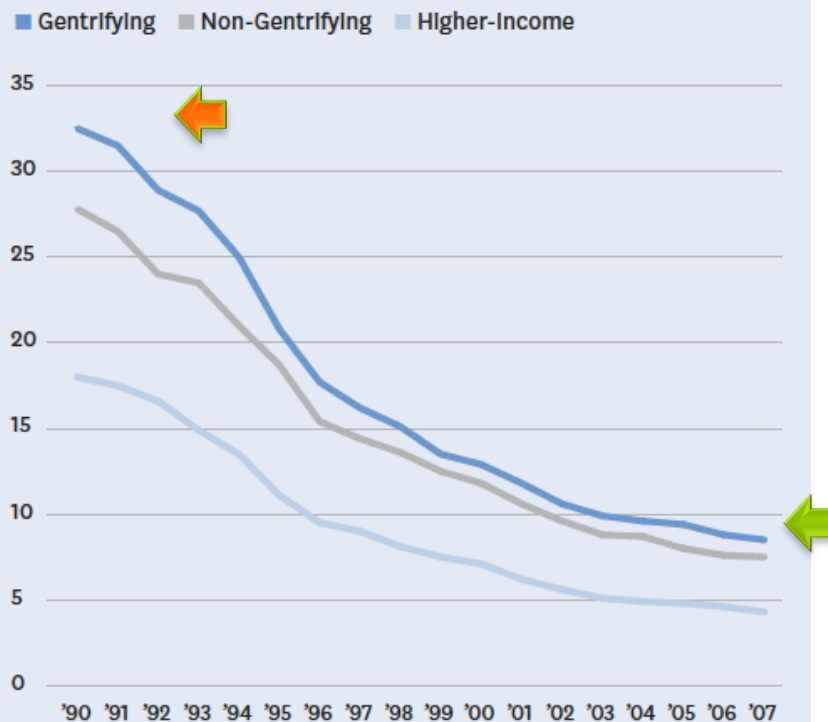
**Table 3: Percent Change In Housing Unit Counts  
by Neighborhood Type and Decade**

	% <i>Change</i> 1970- 1980	% <i>Change</i> 1980- 1990	% <i>Change</i> 1990- 2000	% <i>Change</i> 2000- 2010	% <i>Change</i> 1970- 2010
Citywide	0.8%	1.7%	7.0%	5.3%	<b>15.5%</b>
Gentrifying	-12.8%	-2.3%	7.5%	7.2%	<b>-1.8%</b>
Non-Gentrifying	-0.9%	-2.1%	8.1%	5.5%	<b>10.6%</b>
Higher-Income	8.1%	4.1%	6.6%	4.5%	<b>25.4%</b>

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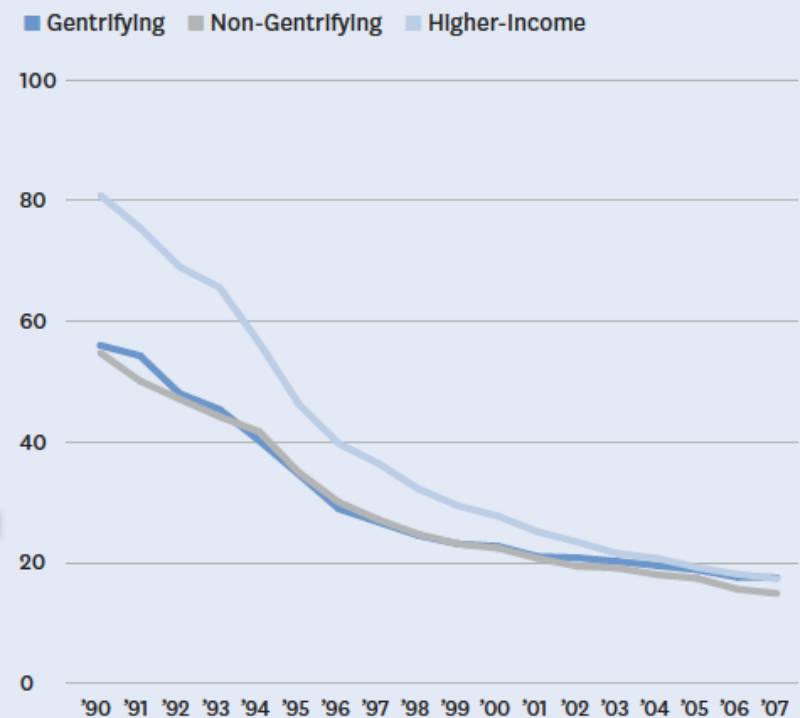
# Crime:

**Figure 1: Violent crime per 1,000 Residents by Neighborhood Type**



Sources: Federal Bureau of Investigation Uniform Crime Reporting Program, American Community Survey (2005-2009, 2010-2014), NYU Furman Center

**Figure 2: Property Crime per 1,000 Residents by Neighborhood Type**



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# What can data do?

1. Granular definition of what is gentrification.
2. Time-referenced description of the process of gentrification.
3. Leading indicators of gentrification.
4. Predictions of areas to be gentrified.
5. Transparency informs developers, community, and policy.