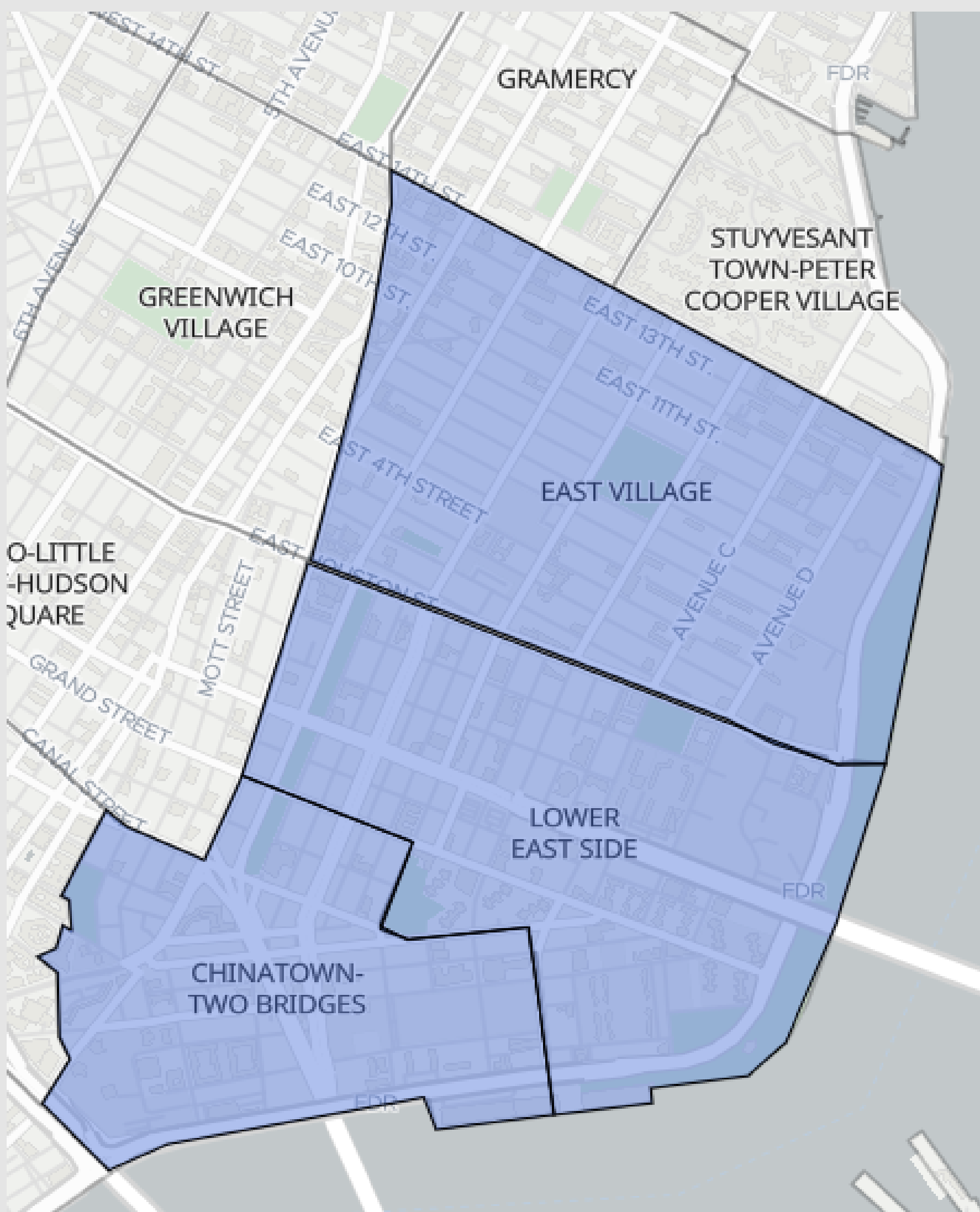


# Lower East Side/Chinatown: Data at a Glance

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## Population and Language



**163,000**

34% White  
31% Asian  
24% Latinx  
8% Black

**47%**

Speak language other than English  
26% speak English less than very well

**16%**

Speak Spanish  
36% speak English less than very well

**24%**

Speak Chinese dialect  
78% speak English less than very well

Decennial Census 2020

American Community Survey, 2016-2020

	NYC	CD 3	East Village	Lower East Side	Chinatown
Born Outside US	<b>36%</b>	<b>33%</b>	<b>23%</b>	<b>32%</b>	<b>52%</b>
Poverty	<b>17%</b>	<b>27%</b>	<b>23%</b>	<b>26%</b>	<b>32%</b>
Severe rent burden	<b>28%</b>	<b>24%</b>	<b>22%</b>	<b>21%</b>	<b>30%</b>

American Community Survey, 2016-2020

## Adult Health

**22%** High Blood Pressure  
similar to NYC

**76%** Have personal health care provider  
similar to NYC

**14%** Obese  
lower than NYC

**12%** Didn't get needed medical care  
similar to NYC

**13%** Diabetes  
similar to NYC

**11%** Often/sometimes didn't have enough food  
similar to NYC

**13%** Still have asthma  
similar to NYC

**10%** 18-64 year olds without health insurance\*  
similar to NYC

Community Health Survey, 2017-2018; 2019-2020

\*interpret with caution due to small sample size

## Children's Health

**228 per 10,000**

Asthma-related Emergency Department visit rate  
5 to 17 years  
**higher than NYC**

NYSDOH, SPARCS, 2018

**5 per 1,000**

Births to girls  
15-19 years  
**lower than NYC**

NYC Vital Statistics, 2017-2019

**16 per 100**

Public school students  
grades K-8 with obesity  
**lower than NYC**

NYC DOE, FITNESSGRAM, 2016-2017

## Beyond the Numbers

The Lower East Side and Chinatown is a historic neighborhood long home to many immigrants. Cultural diversity and landmarks attract many residents and visitors. Public housing is a vital resource. A number of community-based organizations provide resources and support.

## Lower East Side/Chinatown: Data At A Glance: Data Source Notes

Measures	Data Source	Data Obtained From	Geography
* Total Population	Decennial Census 2020	NYC Dept of City Planning Population Fact Finder	Community District Tabulation Area, 2020: Manhattan CD 3
* Percent of population who identify as Asian			
* Percent of population who identify as Black			
* Percent of population who identify as Latinx			
* Percent of population who identify as White			
* Percent of population ages 5 years or older who speak language other than English at home	American Community Survey, 2016-2020	NYC Dept of City Planning Population Fact Finder	Community District Tabulation Area, 2020: Manhattan CD 3
* Percent of population ages 5 years or older who speak language other than English who speak English less than very well			
* Percent of population ages 5 years or older who speak Spanish at home			
* Percent of population ages 5 years or older who speak Spanish at home who speak English less than very well			
* Percent of population ages 5 years or older who speak a Chinese language at home			
* Percent of population ages 5 years or older who speak a Chinese language at home who speak English less than very well			
* Percent of population born outside the United States	American Community Survey, 2016-2020	NYC Dept of City Planning Population Fact Finder	Community District Tabulation Area, 2020: Manhattan CD 3; Neighborhood Tabulation Areas, 2020: East Village, Lower East Side, Chinatown
* Percent of individuals for whom poverty status is determined who live in households with incomes below the Federal Poverty Level			
* Percent of renter-occupied households whose gross rent is 50% or more of household income			
* Percent of adults ages 18 years or older ever told high blood pressure <sup>a</sup>	NYC Community Health Survey, 2019-2020 <sup>b</sup>	NYU analysis of data from NYC Health Dept	Community District, Manhattan 3, (PUMA, 2010, approximation)
* Percent of adults ages 18 years or older with obesity (body mass index $\geq$ 30) <sup>a</sup>			
* Percent of adults ages 18 years or older ever told diabetes <sup>a</sup>			
* Percent of adults ages 18 years or older still have asthma <sup>a</sup>			
* Percent of adults ages 18 years or older have a personal health care provider <sup>a</sup>			
* Percent of adults ages 18 years or older didn't get needed medical care <sup>a</sup>			
* Percent of adults ages 18-64 years who do not have health insurance			
* Percent of adults ages 18 years or older often/sometimes didn't have enough food to eat <sup>a</sup>	NYC Community Health Survey, 2017-2018 <sup>c</sup>	NYU analysis of data from NYC Health Dept	Community District, Manhattan 3, (PUMA, 2010, approximation)
* Asthma-related emergency department visits, rate per 10,000 children ages 5 to 17 years	NYS SPARCS, 2018	NYC Environment and Health Data Portal	United Hospital Fund Neighborhood, 309 (Zip codes 10002, 10003, 10009)
* Birth rate per 1,000 girls ages 15-19 years	NYC Vital Statistics, 2017-2019	Citizens Committee for Children	Community District, Manhattan 3
* Percent of public school children grades K-8 with obesity	NYC DOE FITNESSGRAM, 2016-2017	NYC Community Health Profile, 2018	Community District, Manhattan 3

<sup>a</sup> age-adjusted to US 2000 Standard Population; <sup>b</sup> CHS 2019-2020 Community District data are weighted to the NYC adult residential population per the American Community Survey, 2019; <sup>c</sup> CHS 2017-2018 Community District data are weighted to the NYC adult residential population per the American Community Survey 2013-2017; CHS data based on comparisons between Lower East Side/Chinatown and the rest of New York City. Questions/Comments: Contact the Brooklyn Data Station ([brooklyndatastation@nyulangone.org](mailto:brooklyndatastation@nyulangone.org))