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Hale/ʻOhana

Population

- 28,404 Native Hawaiians reside on the Waiʻanae Coast.
- 59% of the total population on the Waiʻanae Coast is Native Hawaiian.
- 10% (roughly 1 in 10) of Native Hawaiians in the State of Hawaiʻi live on the Waiʻanae Coast.

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<th>Region</th>
<th>Total Population</th>
<th>Native Hawaiian Population</th>
<th>Percent of Waiʻanae Coast Residents who are Native Hawaiian</th>
<th>Percent of Native Hawaiians in Hawaiʻi who live on the Waiʻanae Coast</th>
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<td>Waiʻanae</td>
<td>48,519</td>
<td>28,404</td>
<td>59%</td>
<td>10%</td>
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- 66% of school-age kamaliʻi (ages 5-17) in public school on the Waiʻanae Coast are Native Hawaiian.
- 13% of Native Hawaiian school-age kamaliʻi (ages 5-17) in the State of Hawaiʻi attend public school on the Waiʻanae Coast.

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<th>School-Age (5-17)</th>
<th>Percent of Public School Kamaliʻi on the Waiʻanae Coast who are Native Hawaiian</th>
<th>Percent of Public School Kamaliʻi Statewide who are Native Hawaiian</th>
<th>Percent of Native Hawaiian Kamaliʻi in Hawaiʻi who attend Public School on the Waiʻanae Coast</th>
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<td>28%</td>
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- 39% of Native Hawaiian preschool-age kamaliʻi from the Waiʻanae Coast are enrolled in preschool.

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<th>Preschool age (3-4)</th>
<th>Estimated Number of 3- and 4-Year-old Kamaliʻi on the Waiʻanae Coast who are Native Hawaiian</th>
<th>Estimated Number of 3- and 4-Year-old Native Hawaiian Kamaliʻi on the Waiʻanae Coast who are in Preschool</th>
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<td>1,413</td>
<td>549</td>
<td>39%</td>
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1 Data by region from Ka Huakaʻi: 2014 Native Hawaiian Educational Assessment

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Birth to Teens

- The birth rate for teenage girls (ages 15-19) that are Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific Islander is 11%, compared to the statewide rate of 2% for all ethnicities.
- The birth rate for teenage girls (ages 15-19) for Honolulu County is 2%, which is the same as the statewide rate of 2%.

Kumu Waiwai

Income & Poverty

- The median family income for Native Hawaiians in rural O‘ahu, including the Waiʻanae Coast & Koʻolauloa, is $68,587, compared to $60,575 for non-Hawaiians in the same region between 2012-2016.
- The poverty rate for Native Hawaiian Waiʻanae Coast residents is 19%, compared to 12% of all Native Hawaiians statewide in 2006-2010.
  - The poverty rate for Native Hawaiian kamaliʻi ages 5-17 statewide is 17%, compared to 14% of all kamaliʻi statewide.
  - The poverty rate for Native Hawaiian kamaliʻi ages 0-4 statewide is 22%, compared to 16% of all kamaliʻi statewide.

Employment

- 63% of Native Hawaiian adults in rural O‘ahu, including the Waiʻanae Coast & Koʻolauloa, between the ages of 25-66 are employed, compared to 60% for non-Hawaiians in the same region.
  - 72% of Native Hawaiian males statewide between the ages of 25-66 are employed, compared to 79% of all males statewide.
  - 69% of Native Hawaiian females statewide between the ages of 25-66 are employed, which is the same as 69% of all females statewide.
- 44% of Native Hawaiian youth in rural O‘ahu, including the Waiʻanae Coast & Koʻolauloa, between the ages of 16-24 are employed, compared to 70% for non-Hawaiians in the same region.

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2 Hawaiʻi Health Data Warehouse: Live Births in Hawaiʻi to Females Aged 15-19 Years, 2015
3 Data by PUMA from American Community Survey: 2012-2016. (Data for smaller geographic regions are not available).
4 Data by region from Ka Huakaʻi: 2014 Native Hawaiian Educational Assessment
5 Data by PUMA from American Community Survey: 2012-2016

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Shelter/Housing

- Each month, 21% of Native Hawaiian household incomes in rural Oʻahu, including the Waiʻanae Coast & Koʻolauloa, go toward owner costs (e.g. mortgage, utilities), compared to 24% for non-Hawaiians in the same region.
- Each month, 37% of Native Hawaiian household incomes in rural Oʻahu, including the Waiʻanae Coast & Koʻolauloa, go toward rent, compared to 47% of non-Hawaiians in the same region.

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<th>Rural Oʻahu Region (Waiʻanae Coast &amp; Koʻolauloa)</th>
<th>Native Hawaiian</th>
<th>Non-Hawaiian</th>
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<td>Homeownership with/without mortgage</td>
<td>55%</td>
<td>32%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Median monthly mortgage</td>
<td>$1,342</td>
<td>$1,832</td>
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<td>Median monthly owner cost as % of household income</td>
<td>21%</td>
<td>24%</td>
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<tr>
<td>Median monthly rent</td>
<td>$1,200</td>
<td>$2,106</td>
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<td>Median gross rent as a % of household income</td>
<td>37%</td>
<td>47%</td>
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Homeless Count

- 1,561 Native Hawaiian homeless individuals are from Oʻahu, with 435 Native Hawaiian homeless individuals from the Waiʻanae Coast.
- 7,220 (3,420 sheltered and 3,800 unsheltered) individuals are homeless statewide.
- Statewide, 87 homeless individuals are unaccompanied Native Hawaiian youth 24 years old or younger, with 58 of the youth on Oʻahu.

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6 Data by PUMA from American Community Survey: 2012-2016
7 State of Hawaiʻi Homeless Point in Time Count Report 2017 (This is a low estimate for the unaccompanied youth knowing that this population is harder to count).
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ʻImi ʻIke

Educational Attainment (Adults)\(^8\)

- 83\% of **Native Hawaiian young adults ages 18-24** in rural Oʻahu, including the Waiʻanae Coast & Koʻolauloa, **completed high school** (or passed a high school equivalency exam), compared to 94\% of non-Hawaiians in the same region.
- 91\% of **Native Hawaiian adults ages 25-65** in rural Oʻahu, including the Waiʻanae Coast & Koʻolauloa **completed high school** (or passed a high school equivalency exam), compared to 94\% of non-Hawaiians in the same region.
- 12\% of **Native Hawaiian adults ages 25-65** in rural Oʻahu, including the Waiʻanae Coast & Koʻolauloa, have a **4-year college degree or higher**, compared to 23\% of non-Hawaiians in the same region.

K-12 Achievement\(^9\)

- Across the grade levels, reading proficiency for Native Hawaiian kamaliʻi on the Waiʻanae Coast are lower than the Native Hawaiian statewide rates.

*Reading Proficiency: (Percentage of Students Tested)*

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\(^8\) Data by PUMA from American Community Survey: 2012-2016

\(^9\) Data by Region from Ka Huakaʻi: 2014 Native Hawaiian Educational Assessment
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- Across the grade levels, mathematics proficiency for Native Hawaiian kamaliʻi on the Waiʻanae Coast are lower than the Native Hawaiian statewide rates.

*Mathematics Proficiency: (Percentage of Students Tested)*

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DOE School Quality Indicators

- 31% of Waiʻanae Coast teachers have a graduate degree, compared to 35% of teachers statewide.
- The positive response rates from Waiʻanae Coast students on the DOE School Quality Survey for satisfaction with the school is 85%, compared to 82% statewide.
- The positive response rates from Waiʻanae Coast parents on the DOE School Quality Survey for satisfaction with the school is 84%, compared to 86% statewide.
- The positive response rates from Waiʻanae Coast teachers on the DOE School Quality Survey for satisfaction with the school is 80%, compared to 88% statewide.

*Indicators (Percentage of Positive Response Rates)*

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<td>85</td>
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<td>79</td>
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<td>87</td>
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<tr>
<td>Professionalism &amp; capacity</td>
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10 Data by Region from Ka Huakaʻi: 2014 Native Hawaiian Educational Assessment
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Health Status: Adults

General Health

- 30% of adults on the Waiʻanae Coast report having excellent or very good health, compared to 49% of adults in Honolulu County.
- 41% of Native Hawaiian adults statewide report having excellent or very good health, compared to 49% of all adults statewide.

Physical Health

- 58% of adults on the Waiʻanae Coast report having good physical health in the past 30 days, compared to 98% of adults in Honolulu County.
- 65% of Native Hawaiian adults statewide report having good physical health in the past 30 days, compared to 69% of all adults statewide.

Mental Health

- 74% of adults on the Waiʻanae Coast report having good mental health in the past 30 days, compared to 71% of all adults in Honolulu County.
- 65% of Native Hawaiian adults statewide report having good mental health in the past 30 days, compared to 71% of all adults statewide.

Health Care

- 10% of adults on the Waiʻanae Coast report that they needed to see a doctor in the past 12 months, but could not because of the cost, compared to 8% of adults in Honolulu County.
- 10% of Native Hawaiian adults statewide report that they needed to see a doctor in the past 12 months, but could not because of the cost, compared to 8% of all adults statewide.

Health Status: Youth

General Health

- 72% of Native Hawaiian high schoolers in Honolulu County report having a doctor’s check-up in the past 12 months, compared to 73% of all high schoolers in Honolulu County.
- 73% of Native Hawaiian high schoolers in Honolulu County report having a dentist check-up in the past 12 months, compared to 79% of all high schoolers in Honolulu County.

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11 Hawaiʻi Behavioral Risk Factor Surveillance System (BRFSS) 2015 Results
12 Youth Risk Behavior Survey (YRBS) County Level Reports, 2015
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Mental Health

- 29% of Native Hawaiian high schoolers in Honolulu County report feeling depressed in the past 12 months, which is the same as 29% of all high schoolers in Honolulu County.
- 21% of Native Hawaiian high schoolers in Honolulu County report having suicidal thoughts in the past 12 months, compared to 16% of all high schoolers in Honolulu County.
- 26% of Native Hawaiian middle schoolers in Honolulu County report self-harm, compared to 23% of all middle schoolers in Honolulu County. (Note, this question is not asked in the high school survey.)
- 83% of Native Hawaiian high schoolers in Honolulu County report that they have an adult or teacher they can talk to about things that are important to them, either at home or school, compared to 84% of all high schoolers in Honolulu County.

Safety

- 9% of Native Hawaiian high schoolers in Honolulu County report that they skipped school in the past 30 days because they felt unsafe, compared to 8% of all high schoolers in Honolulu County.

Educational aspirations

- 60% of Native Hawaiian middle schoolers in Honolulu County report that they definitely will complete high school, compared to 63% of all middle schoolers in Honolulu County. (Note, this question is not asked in the high school survey.)

Naʻau

Wellbeing

Happiness

- 45% of Native Hawaiian adults on the Waiʻanae Coast report that they are either extremely happy or very happy with their lives, compared to 38% of non-Hawaiians on the Waiʻanae Coast.

Community connections

- 74% of Native Hawaiian adults on the Waiʻanae Coast either agree or strongly agree that they know and trust their neighbors, compared to 62% of non-Hawaiians on the Waiʻanae Coast.
- 54% of Native Hawaiian adults on the Waiʻanae Coast report that they volunteered with a non-profit within the past year, compared to 44% of non-Hawaiians on the Waiʻanae Coast.

Special Report on Hawaiʻi Wellbeing Survey, 2017 (not publicly available)
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Environment

- 42% of Native Hawaiian adults on the Waiʻanae Coast either agree or strongly agree that the environment in their community was better 5 years ago, compared to 50% of non-Hawaiians on the Waiʻanae Coast.
- 40% of Native Hawaiian adults on the Waiʻanae Coast report that they believe the quality of the ocean in their community is either excellent or good, compared to 53% of non-Hawaiians on the Waiʻanae Coast.
- 11% of Native Hawaiian adults on the Waiʻanae Coast report that they believe the quality of the air in their community is either excellent or good, compared to 70% of non-Hawaiians on the Waiʻanae Coast.

Culture

- 47% of Native Hawaiian adults on the Waiʻanae Coast report that they identify with a specific culture, compared to 26% of non-Hawaiians on the Waiʻanae Coast.
- 42% of Native Hawaiian adults on the Waiʻanae Coast report that culture in everyday life is very important, compared to 51% of non-Hawaiians on the Waiʻanae Coast.
- 35% of Native Hawaiian adults on the Waiʻanae Coast report that they participate in cultural practices everyday, compared to 0% of non-Hawaiians on the Waiʻanae Coast.
- 76% of Native Hawaiian adults on the Waiʻanae Coast either agree or strongly agree that people in their community respect cultural differences, compared to 68% of non-Hawaiians on the Waiʻanae Coast.
- 39% of Native Hawaiian adults on the Waiʻanae Coast report that they attend religious services at least once a week, compared to 21% of non-Hawaiians on the Waiʻanae Coast.