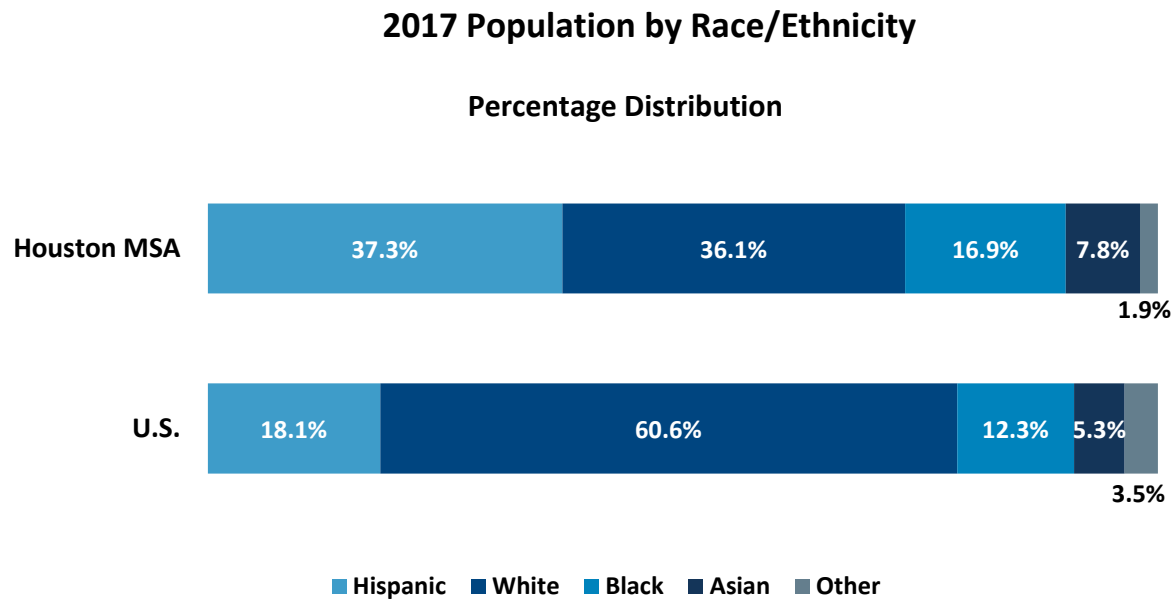


## Demographics

Houston is more racially and ethnically diverse than the nation.



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2017 American Community Survey

- The U.S. Census Bureau’s 2017 American Community Survey showed that while no racial or ethnic group constitutes a majority of the Houston-The Woodlands-Sugar Land MSA population, 2017 marks the first year that the Hispanic population is larger than the White population.
- The Houston MSA is home to the nation’s fourth-largest Hispanic population. Its Hispanic population of 2.6 million in 2017 is larger than the total populations of 15 states and the District of Columbia.
- The Houston-The Woodlands-Sugar Land MSA contains the nation’s seventh-largest Asian population (539,239)—larger than the total population of the Corpus Christi, Brownsville or Beaumont MSAs.
- Between 2008 and 2017, the greater Houston area population increased by 20.4 percent. Non-White population increases drove the bulk of this growth—the Asian population increased by 62.8 percent, the Hispanic population by 32.3 percent and the Black population by 24.3 percent.
- Between 2008 and 2017, the foreign-born population increased by 31.6 percent. In 2017, nearly one in four residents of the Houston MSA is foreign-born. Top regions of birth for the Houston MSA’s foreign-born are: Latin America (63.1 percent), Asia (25.1 percent), Africa (5.8 percent) and Europe (4.6 percent).