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## November 22 Roundtable Update

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## **NEW YORK REDISTRICTING ROUNDTABLE UPDATE**

### **IRC Upcoming Hearings and Summaries**

The New York State Independent Redistricting Commission (IRC) series of public hearings ends this week on Long Island. The NY Census and Redistricting Institute's hearing summaries for Staten Island, Queens, and Brooklyn are attached. The final hearings include:

November 22 - Nassau County

November 23 - Suffolk County

For exact locations and to register to testify, please go to

<https://nyirc.gov/meetings#testify-in-person>

The Commission is tasked with submitting congressional and state legislative plans to the legislature by January 1, 2022 (with an automatic extension to January 15, 2022 if necessary).

### **State Comptroller's Interactive Website Map Reports Local Demographic Changes**

New York State Comptroller Tom DiNapoli has released a report that tracks the state's local demographic changes based on Census 2020 data. The report also provides an interactive online map for the state's counties, cities, towns, and villages with population statistics by age, race, and ethnicity along with housing data.

Findings from the Comptroller's report:

- Nearly all the state's largest cities outside New York City (11 out of 12) experienced growth between 2010 and 2020, increasing by a total of 4%. Mount Vernon's population grew the fastest at 9.8%. Buffalo added the most people (17,039) – an increase of 6.5% – after losing more than half its population from 1950 to 2010. Yonkers grew by 8%, passing Rochester as the state's third largest city. Almost all of the state's smallest cities (10 out of 12) shrank, declining by 3.9%.
- The share of the population reported as white decreased in all classes of local governments. In cities outside of New York City, this group decreased by nearly 12% between 2010 and 2020 and now accounts for just under 51% of the aggregate population.
- Outside of New York City, the number of Black people increased in all classes of local government, with towns experiencing the largest increase, at 9.3 percent. People that identify as Hispanic or Latino increased by almost 28% in cities and villages and 38% in towns. The Asian American population also had significant double-digit growth in all classes of local government.

- The number of occupied housing units in cities outside of New York City grew 3.7% from 2010 to 2020, faster than in towns or villages, but this class also saw a 2% increase in vacant units, so overall city vacancy rates stayed fairly constant.

## What the Failure of Proposition #1 Means for Redistricting

New York Law School's Jeff Wice discussed the ramifications of the failed New York redistricting constitutional amendment and what happens next on the Albany-based Capitol Pressroom radio show. To listen, please visit: <https://capitolpressroom.org/2021/11/17/what-the-failure-of-prop-1-means-for-redistricting/>.

## Redistricting Data Hub Upcoming Trainings

The Redistricting Data Hub provides trainings on how to get involved using the data that the Redistricting Data Hub hosts, how to participate and access resources, and provides demonstrations on mapping tools that use data to draw Community of Interest and District Maps. There is an upcoming training session on Racially Polarized Voting (RPV) on November 16 at 1 pm, a Data Sets and Analysis RPV training on November 30 at 1 pm, and an issues with and guidance for using RPV data on December 6 at 1 pm. For more information please visit: <https://redistrictingdatahub.org/engage/training/>.

## Public Mapping Project Nearing Completion This Week

The deadline for submissions for the Public Mapping Project is **November 24**.

To participate please visit: <https://app.districtbuilder.org/o/nyls>

If you have any questions, please email Marissa Zanfardino at [marissa.zanfardino@law.nyls.edu](mailto:marissa.zanfardino@law.nyls.edu)

## Online Redistricting Resources

The Digital Commons at New York Law School will provide all redistricting publications by Jeff Wice and other members of the New York Census and Redistricting Institute. Access the digital commons here: <https://digitalcommons.nyls.edu/ny-census-and-redistricting-institute/>  
Redistricting Online and its partners believe that redistricting information from all 50 states (including law, data, news, policy, and research) should be easily accessible. In collaboration with the National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL) and New York Law School, we have created this nonpartisan, multimedia, knowledge hub to give redistricting a trusted, permanent home on the web. Access the website here: <https://redistrictingonline.org/>

## New York Census Data and Tools

CUNY Mapping Center New York Tool: The Mapping Service at the CUNY Graduate Center has launched a New York-specific version of its "Redistricting & You" online map, making it easy to compare proposed Independent Redistricting Commission proposed districts with existing lines. The map displays the "Names"

and "Letters" district plans from the Commission compared with current congressional, state senate, and assembly districts. The map is fully interactive. <https://newyork.redistrictingandyou.org/>

Redistricting Data Hub has new trainings, resources, news, and the state population change charts. You can access the website

here: [https://redistrictingdatahub.org/?gclid=Cj0KCQjwtrSLBhCLARIsACh6Rmhgic5YhW2i6d-NMEvsRxe4E6Hf7geOIsOLCyX13-ERI9HWIBJuH\\_0aAsxZEALw\\_wcB](https://redistrictingdatahub.org/?gclid=Cj0KCQjwtrSLBhCLARIsACh6Rmhgic5YhW2i6d-NMEvsRxe4E6Hf7geOIsOLCyX13-ERI9HWIBJuH_0aAsxZEALw_wcB)

American Statistical Association released a Task Force Report on 2020 Census Analysis and Quality Indicators. You can access the report here: <https://www.amstat.org/asa/files/pdfs/POL-CQI-Task-Force-final-report.pdf>

## **Redistricting Primer and Informational Webinars**

Please contact Jeff Wice (by reply email) if you would like to schedule an informational webinar on the state's redistricting process. A copy of the N.Y. Census & Redistricting Institute's basic primer on how New York redistricts can be accessed and downloaded here: <https://www.nyls.edu/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/NYCRI-Redistricting-Primer-PDF-0521-v1r6-locked.pdf>