

# Demographic Profile of Roxbury Presbyterian Church Community Impact Area



## **Roxbury Presbyterian Church**

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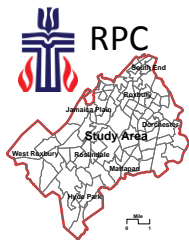
## DATA SOURCES:

US Census 2010 – Decennial Census 2010

US Census – American Community Survey  
(5 Year Estimates 2005-2010)

Boston Public Health Commission Report 2011

Map resources from Boston Redevelopment  
Authority and MassGIS



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# ROXBURY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH (RPC) STUDY AREA



## STUDY AREA

Census Tracts were chosen to match the ZIP codes identified for the RCP Impact Area.

Unlike the 2010 ZIP Code data, Census Tracts give more detailed data from 2010 both for Decennial Census and American Community Survey. The Study Area shows sub-divisions of Census Tracts 2010.

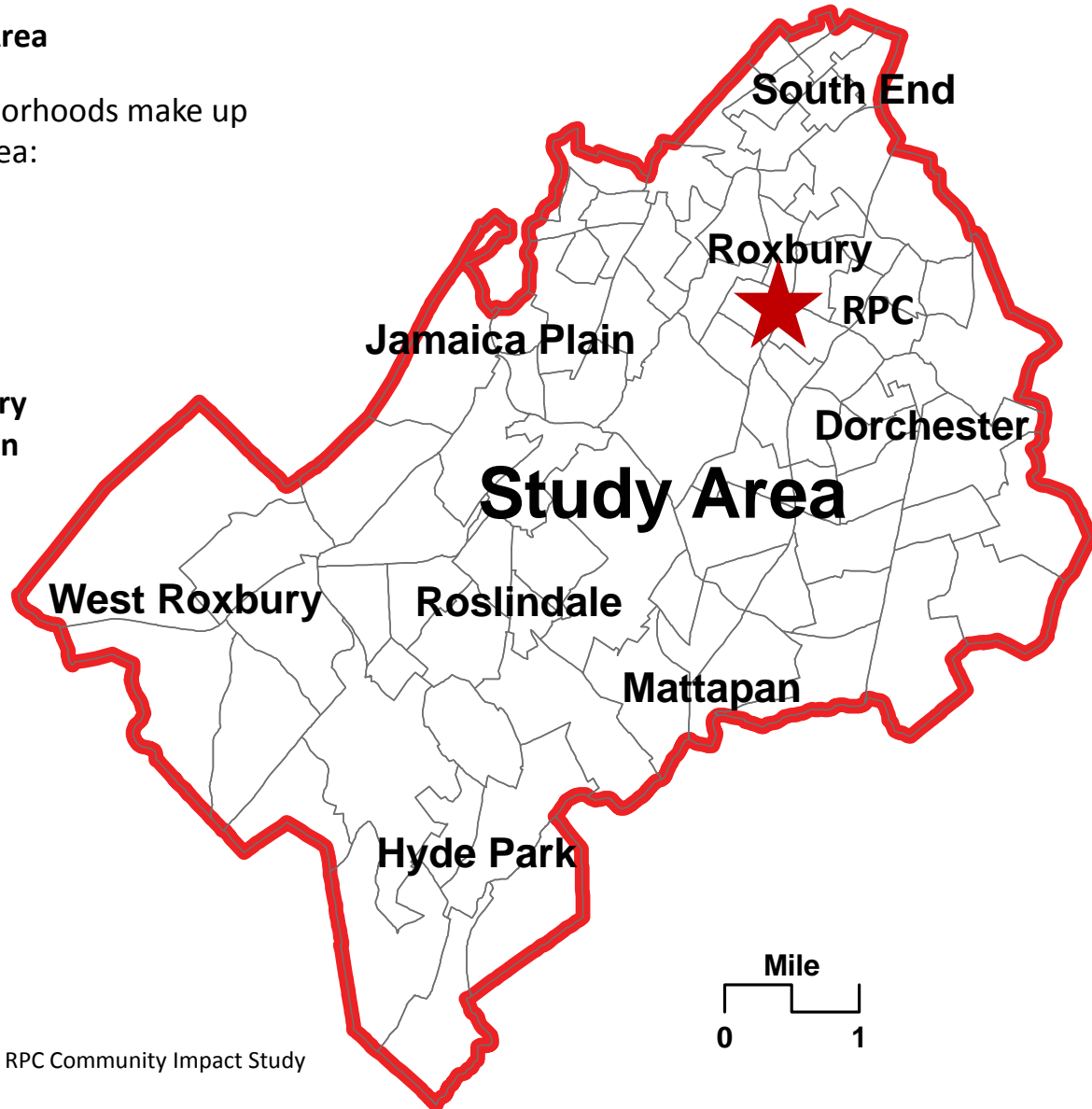
## STUDY AREA

The Study Area sub-divisions are Census Tracts 2010

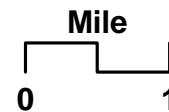
## RPC Study Area

Eight neighborhoods make up the study area:

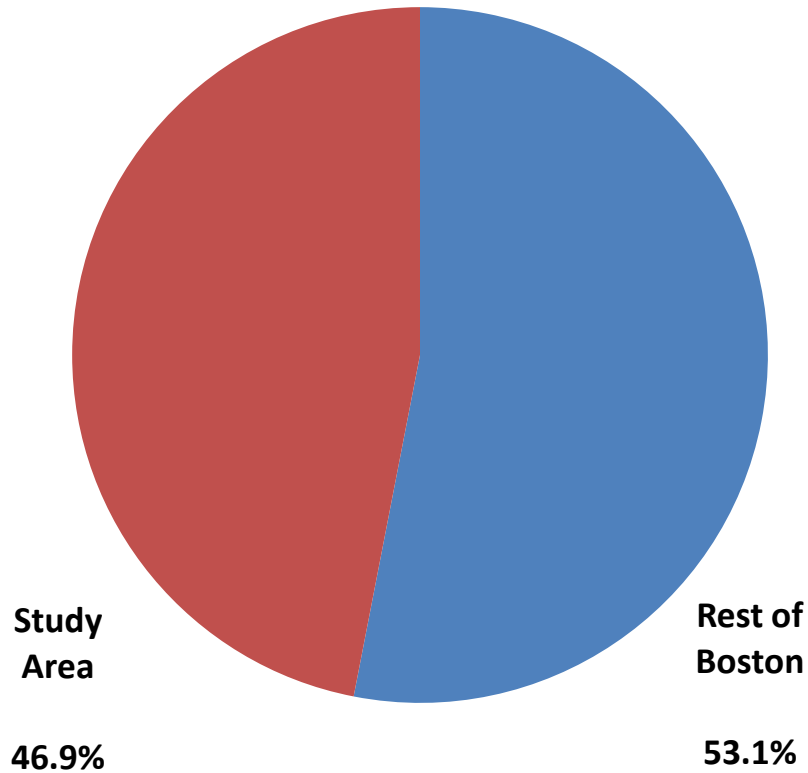
- Roxbury
- Dorchester
- Mattapan
- Hyde Park
- Roslindale
- West Roxbury
- Jamaica Plain
- South End



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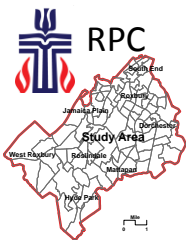


**Population:  
Study Area vs Rest of Boston**



Nearly one half of the Boston population lives in the study area.

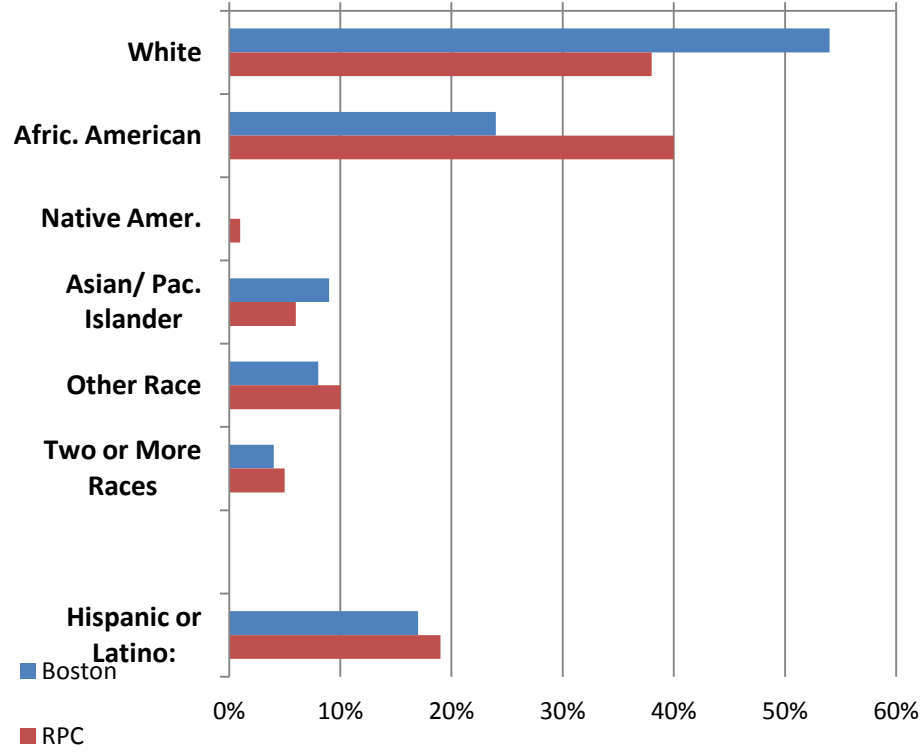
And the area is predominantly residential in character with schools, churches, small businesses and community development organizations.



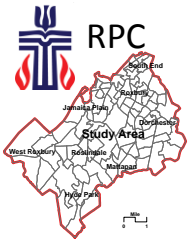
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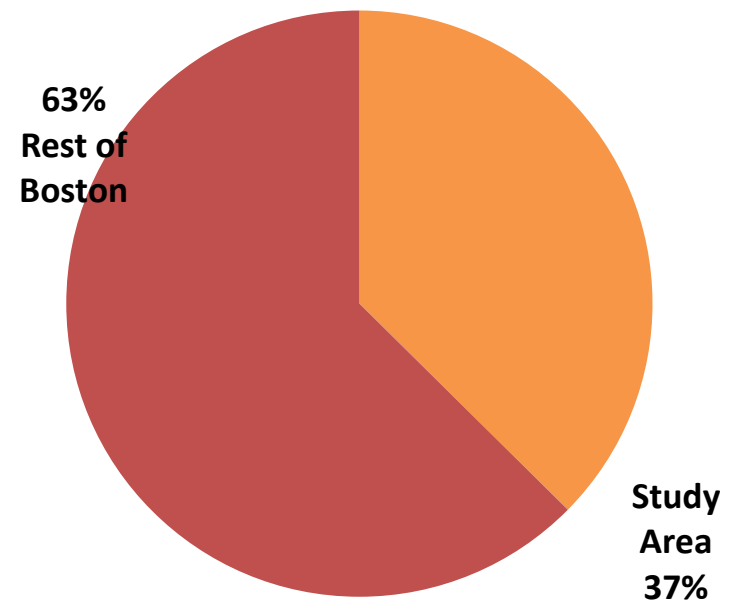
## RACIAL COMPOSITION



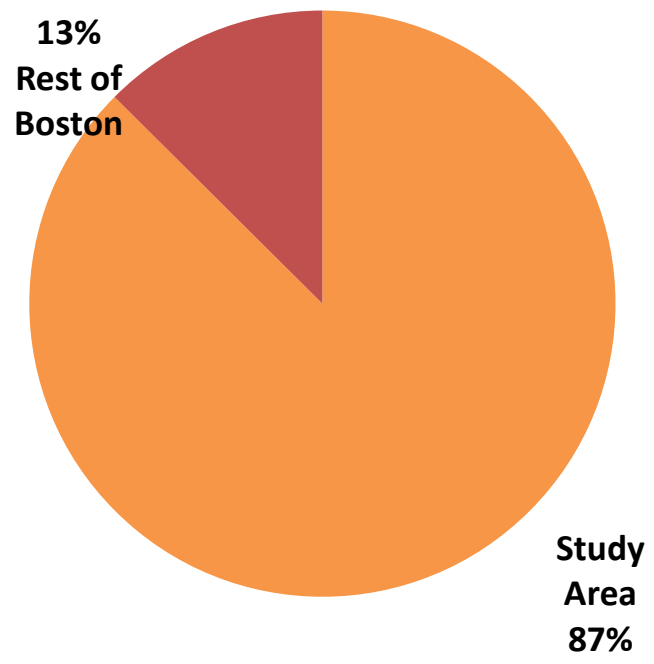
**Highest Proportion of African Americans 40% in the study area is higher than Boston (23%)**



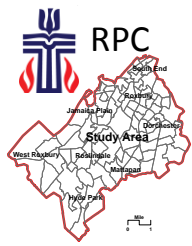
### City's Total White Population



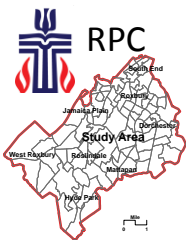
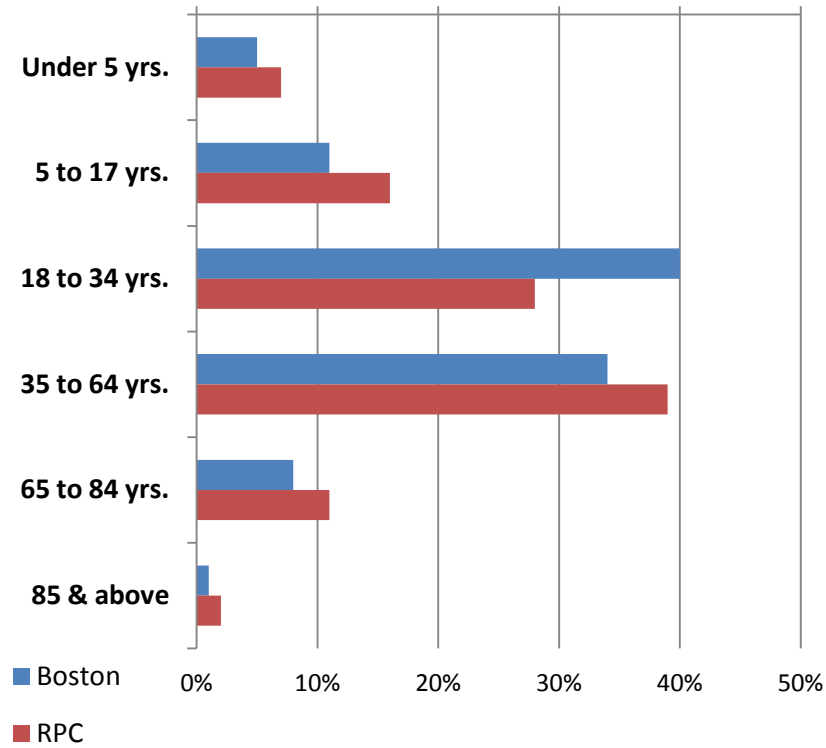
### City's Total Black Population



**Highest Proportion of African Americans 87%**



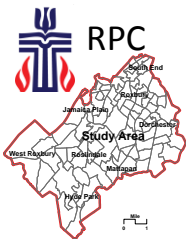
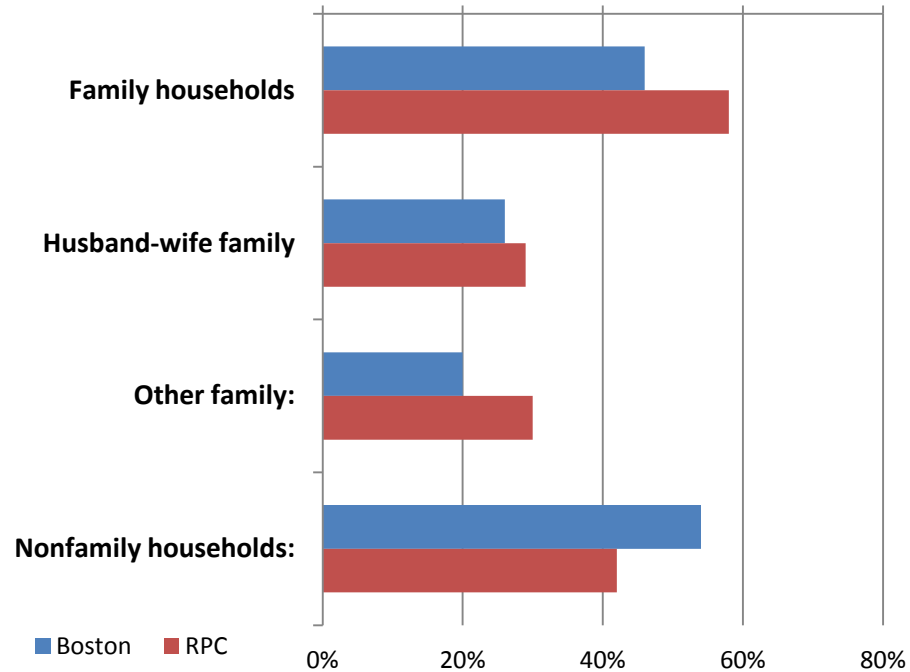
## AGE GROUPS



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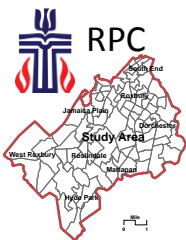
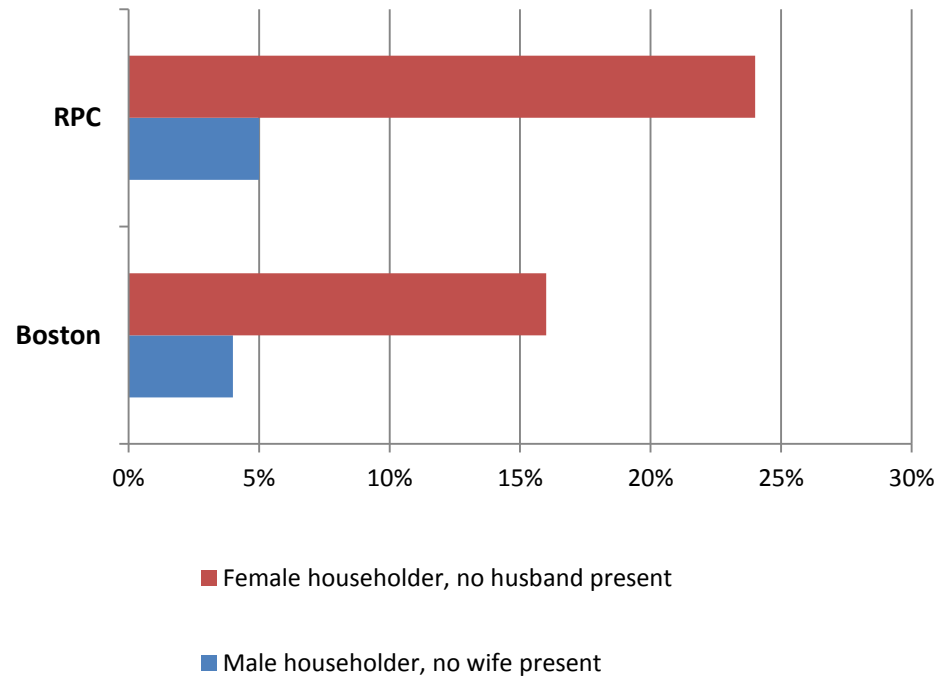


## HOUSEHOLD CHARACTERISTICS



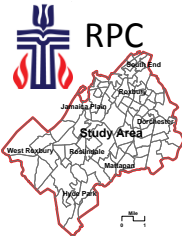
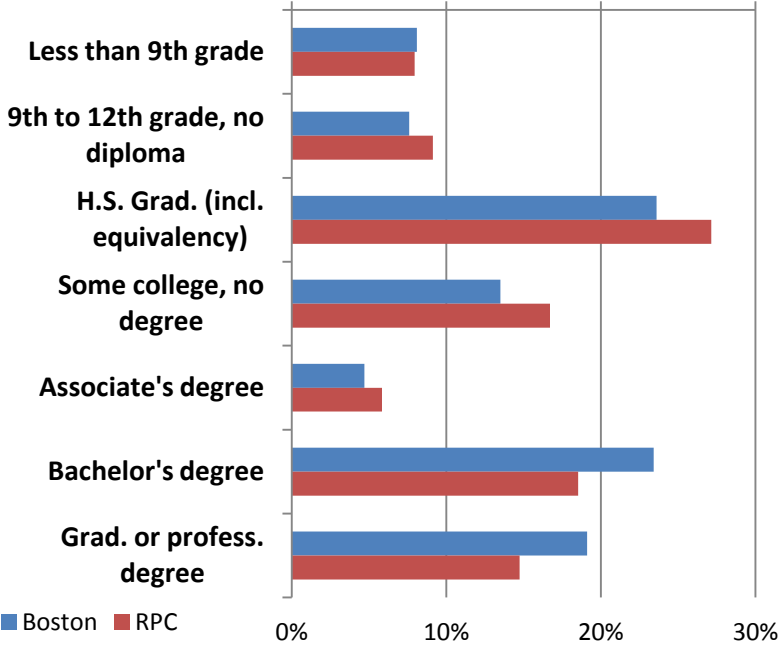
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## SINGLE PARENT HOUSEHOLDS



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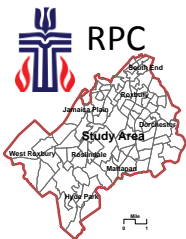
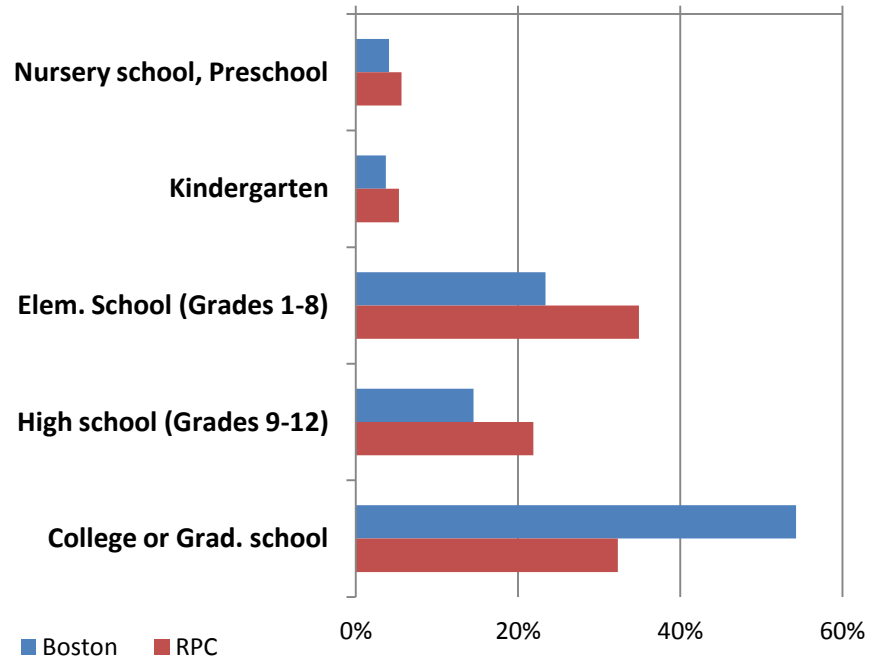
### EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT



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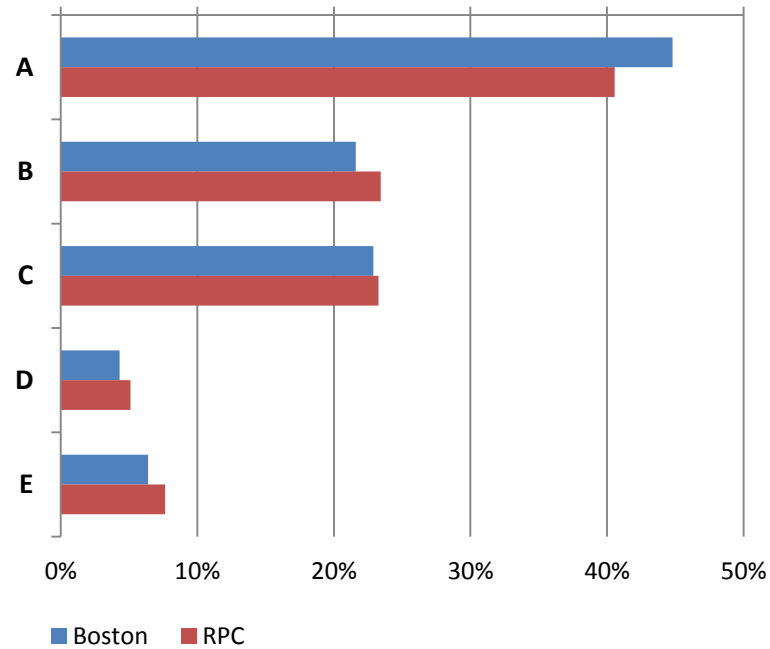


## SCHOOL ENROLLMENT



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## OCCUPATIONS



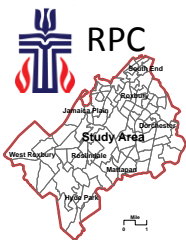
**A - Management, business, science, and arts occupations**

**B - Service occupations**

**C - Sales and office occupations**

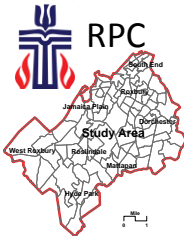
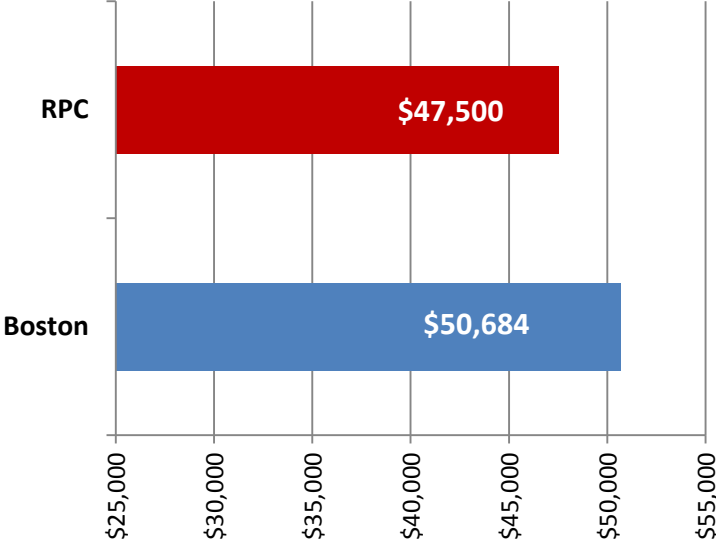
**D - Natural resources, construction, and maintenance occupations**

**E - Production, transportation, and material moving occupations**



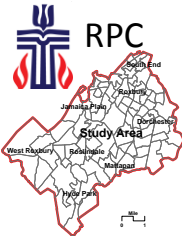
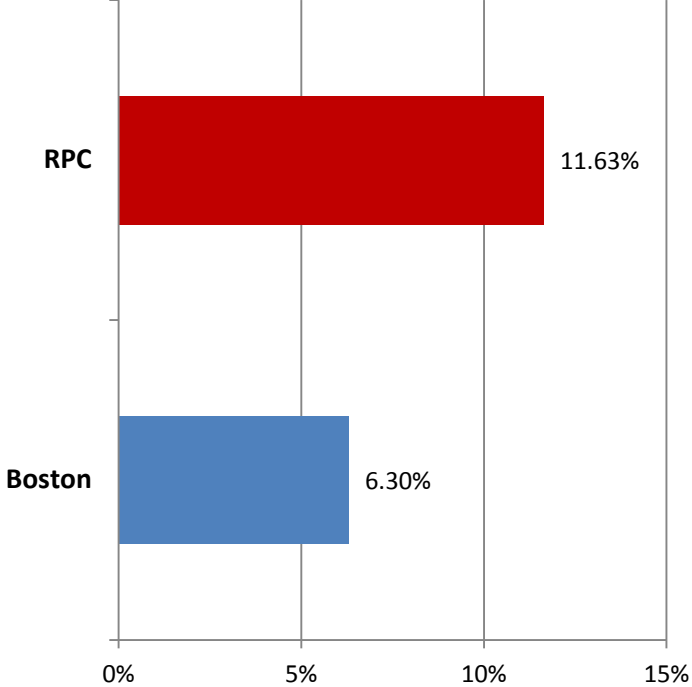
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**MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD INCOME  
INCOME & BENEFITS  
(IN 2010 Infl-Adj. \$s)**



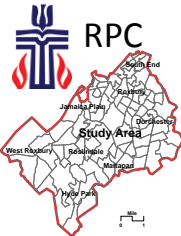
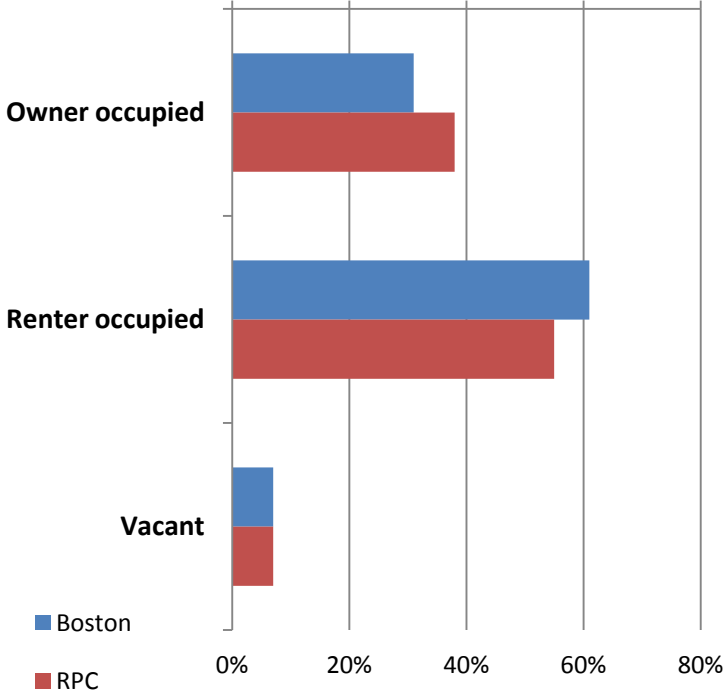
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### UNEMPLOYMENT RATE



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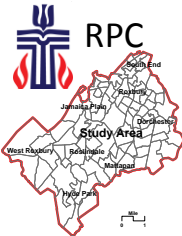
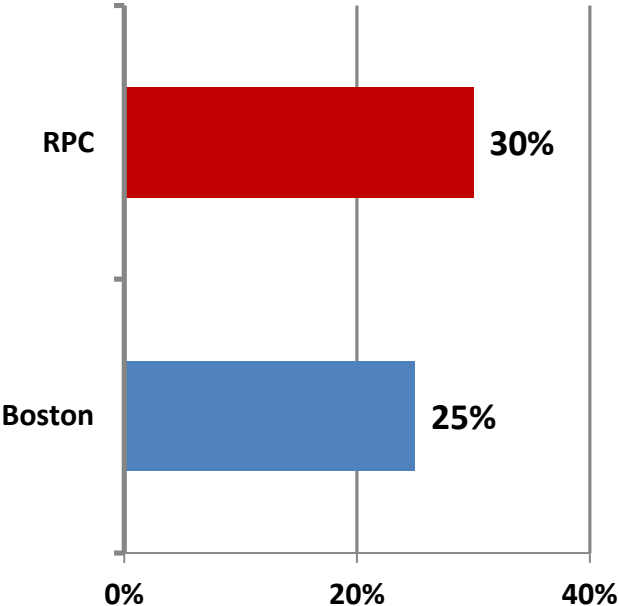
# HOUSING TENURE



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# HOUSING WITH MORTGAGES/LOANS



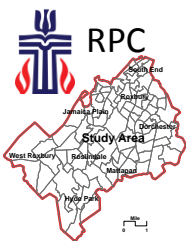
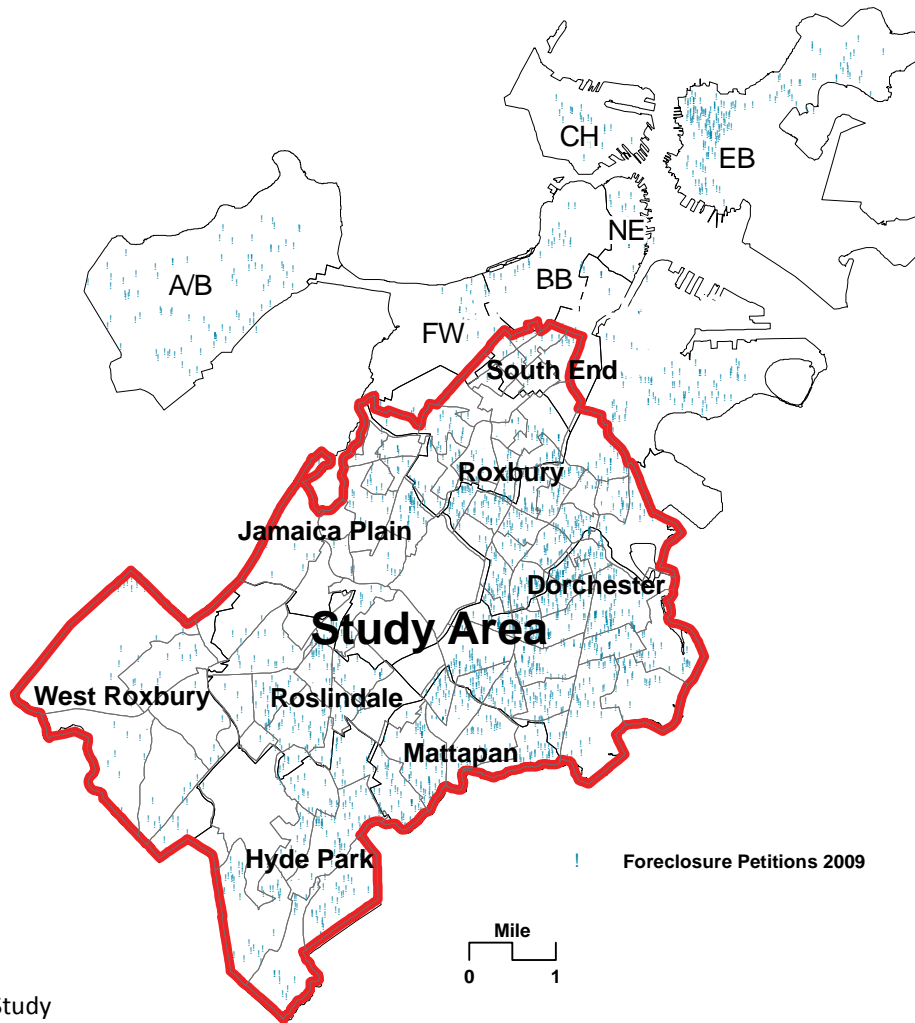
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### Foreclosure Petitions by Neighborhood - 2009

#### Housing Foreclosure

Recent crisis in the housing mortgage sector has left a serious impact on the housing stock in the study area with a substantial concentration in Dorchester.

Problems of foreclosure lead to serious impacts on the well-being of the household.

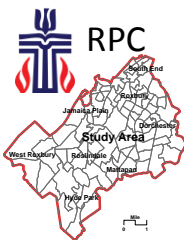
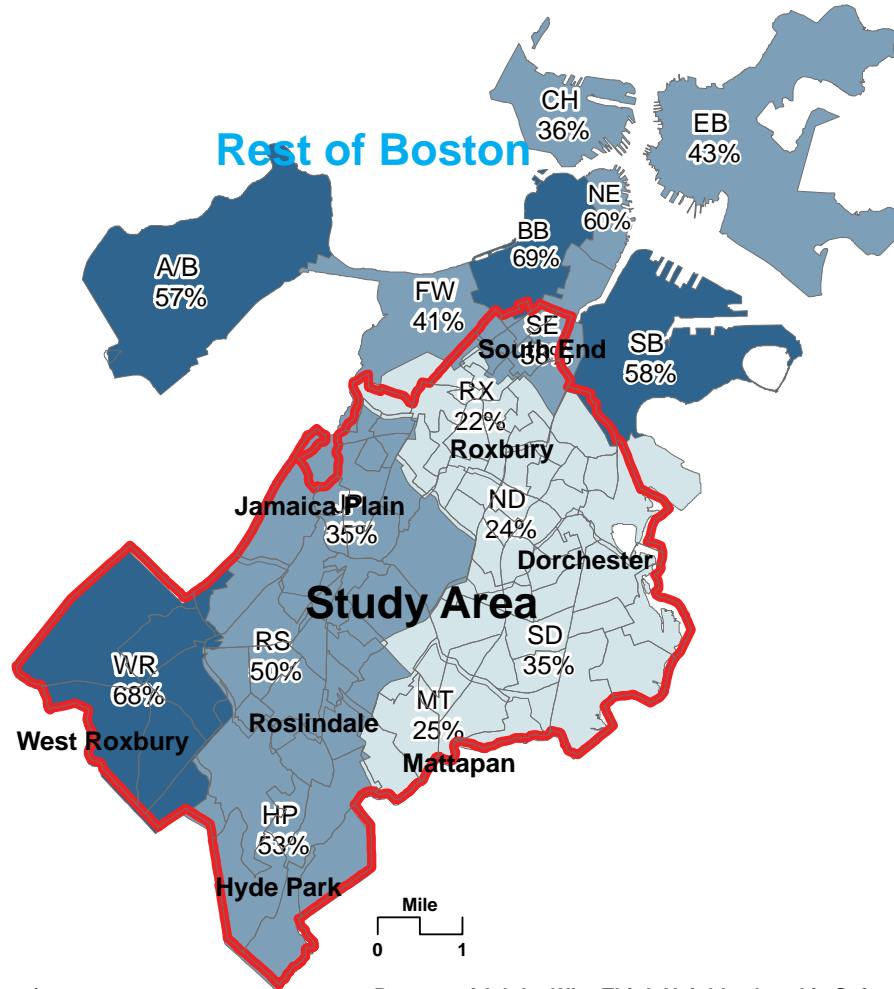


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Adults Who Think Their Neighborhood is Safe, 2008

**Perception of Neighborhood Safety**

Comparatively high proportion of adults in the study area thinks that the public safety of the study area is significantly lower than Boston average. The safety concerns in Roxbury, Dorchester and Mattapan being lower than Boston's average .



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Edited Source Map:  
Boston Public Health Commission Report  
2011

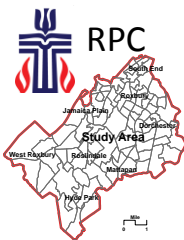
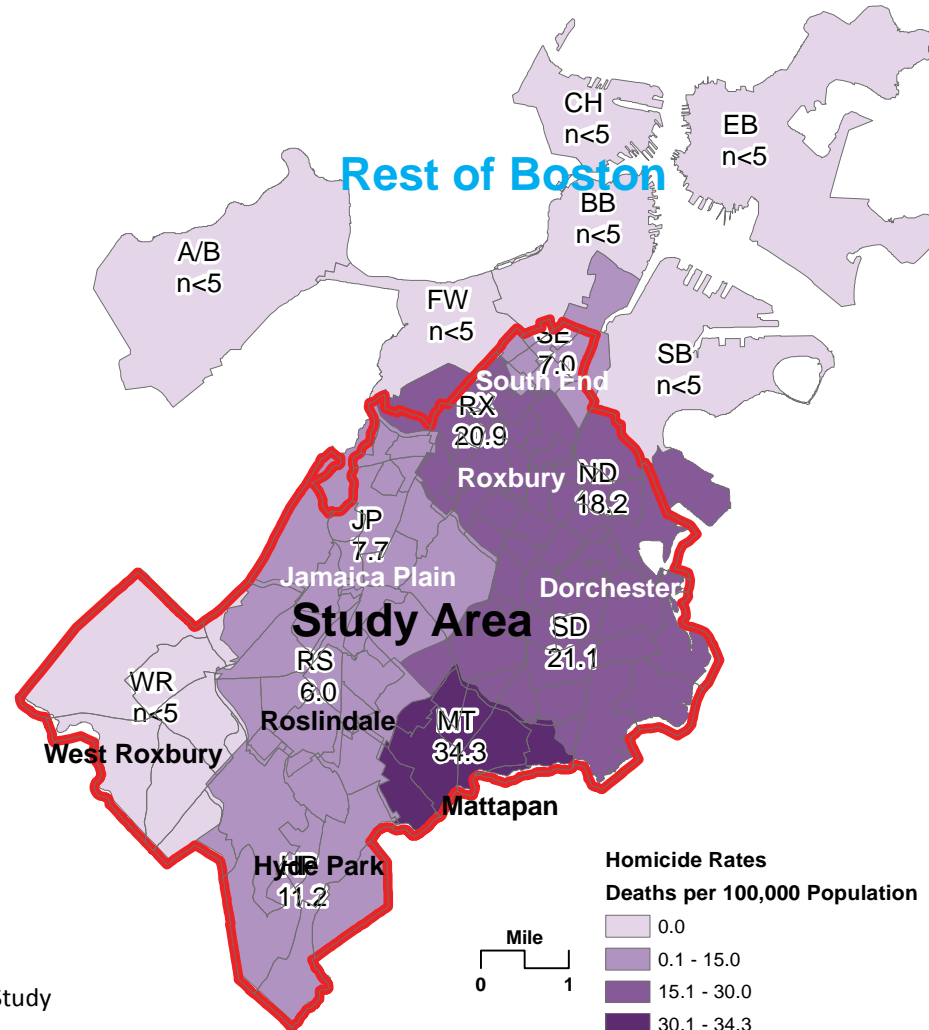
**Percent of Adults Who Think Neighborhood is Safe**

- Significantly lower than Boston overall
- Not significantly different from Boston overall
- Significantly higher than Boston overall

Homicides, 2006, 2007, and 2008 Combined

**Rate of Homicides**

The map clearly reveals the highest homicide rates of Roxbury, Dorchester and Mattapan, the last neighborhood reporting the worst.

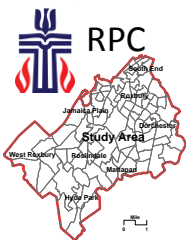
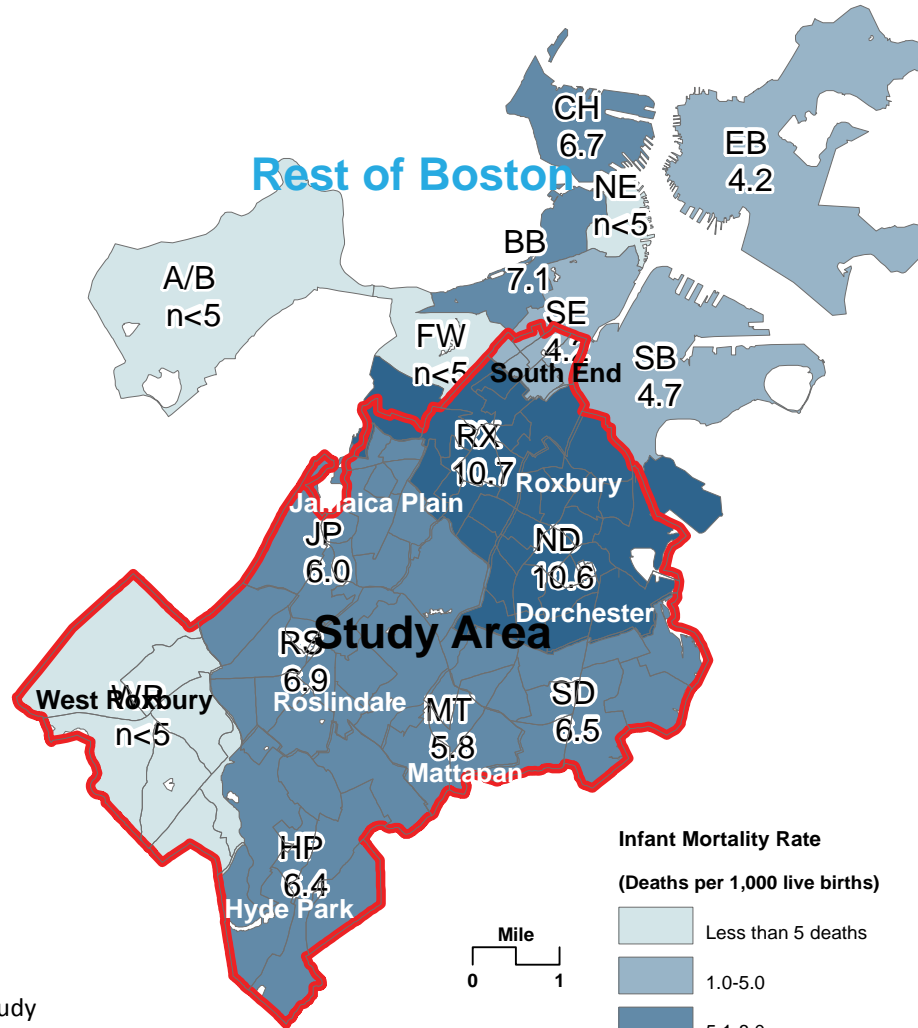


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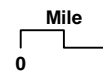
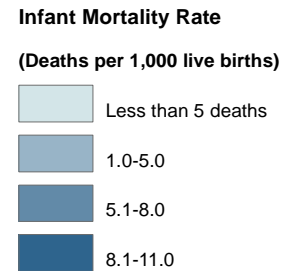
Infant Mortality, 2006, 2007, and 2008 Combined

**Infant Mortality Rate**

Infant mortality is higher in the RPC study area than the rest of Boston. Highest rates are in Roxbury and North Dorchester.



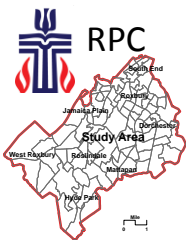
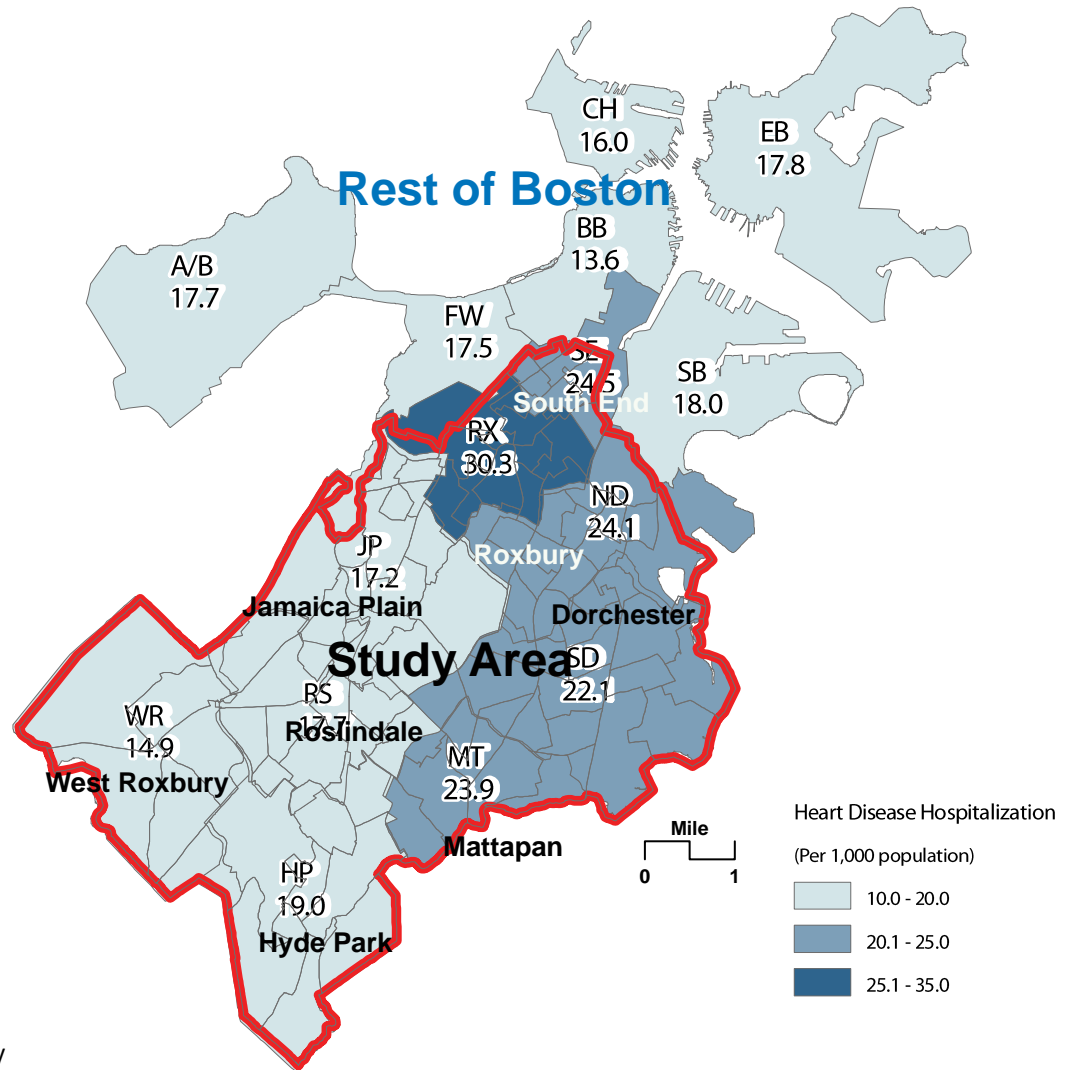
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Heart Disease Hospitalization - 2007, 2008, and 2009 Combined

**Hospitalization for Heart Disease**

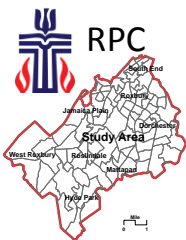
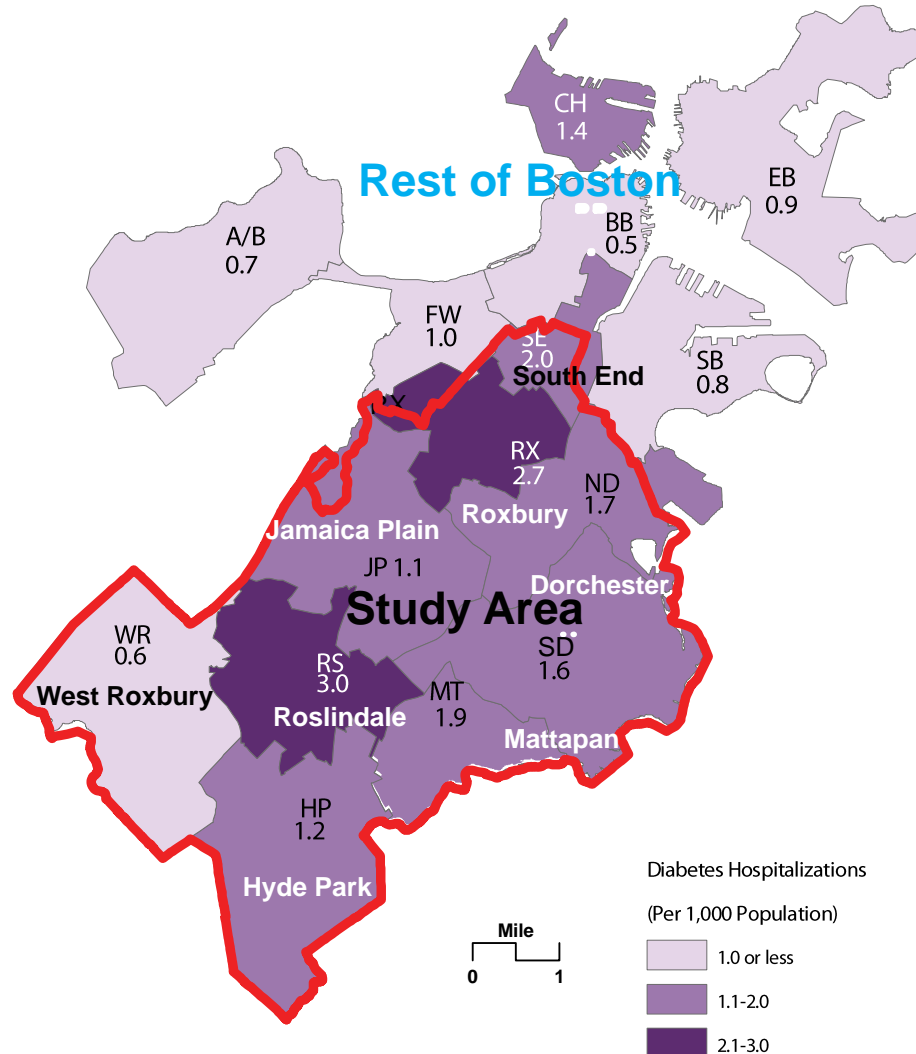
Most of Roxbury, Dorchester and Mattapan have the highest rates of hospitalization for heart disease.



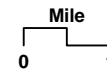
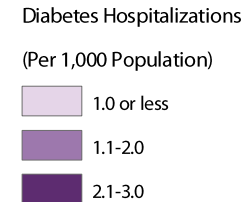
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Diabetes Hospitalizations - 2007, 2008, and 2009 Combined

**Diabetes Hospitalization** has the highest rates for parts of Roxbury and Roslindale. Moreover, rest of RPC study area makes the second rank.



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# COLLABORATION

## Partners in a collaborative effort:

RPC will play a pivotal role in coordinating and utilizing the services and resources of some of the area organizations that are central to dealing with some of the issues discussed.

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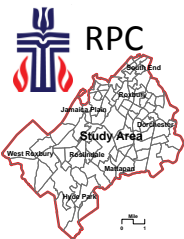
Health Centers

Community Organizations

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Public Agencies

Businesses

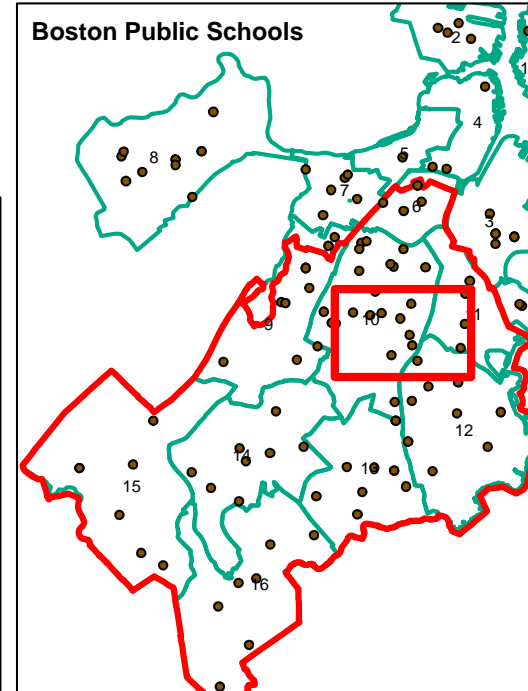
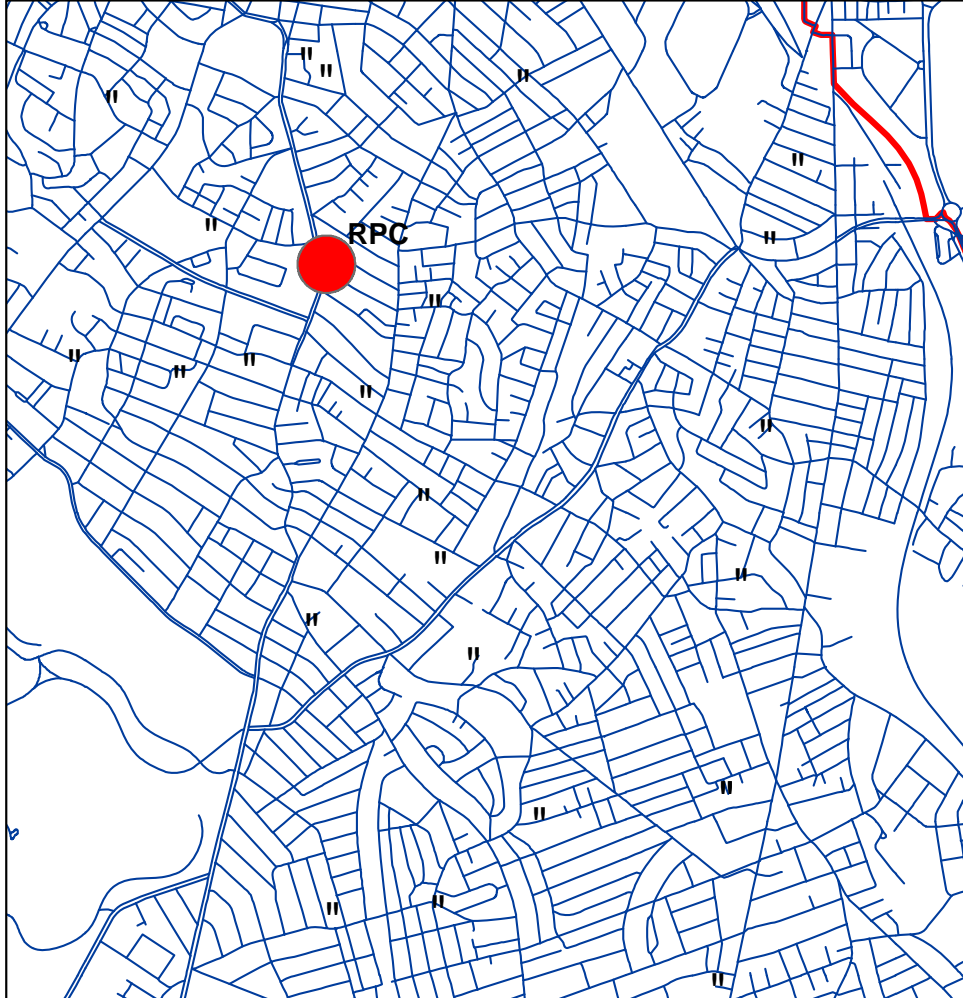


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## BOSTON PUBLIC SCHOOLS CLOSE To RPC

### Roxbury Presbyterian Church Area Detail



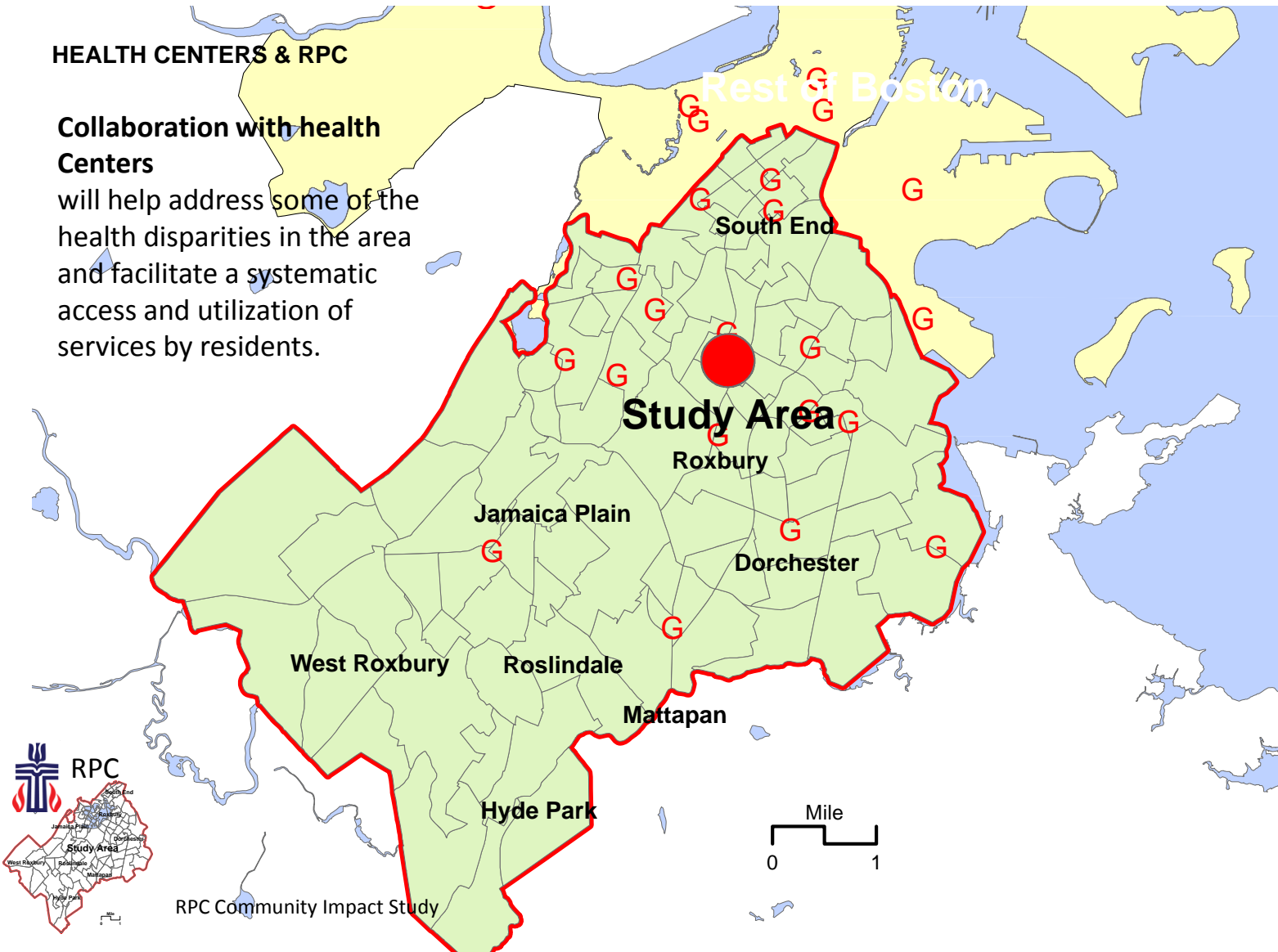
**Collaboration with Boston Schools** will be very critical to assist students become academically and professionally successful members of the community and engage in tasks that contribute to the area's quality of life.



## HEALTH CENTERS & RPC

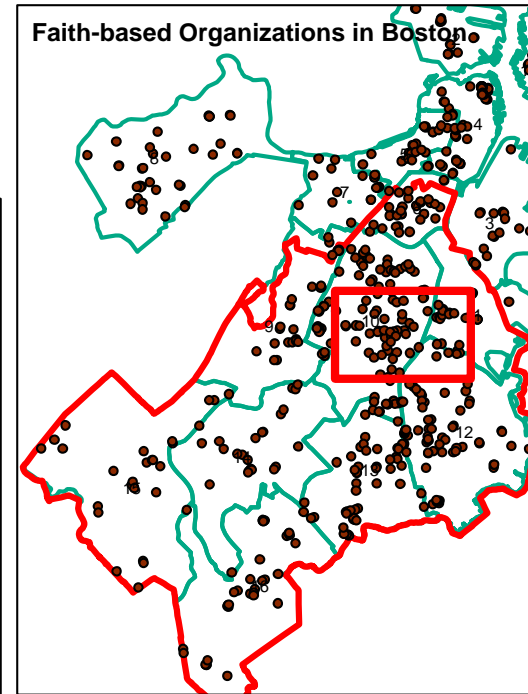
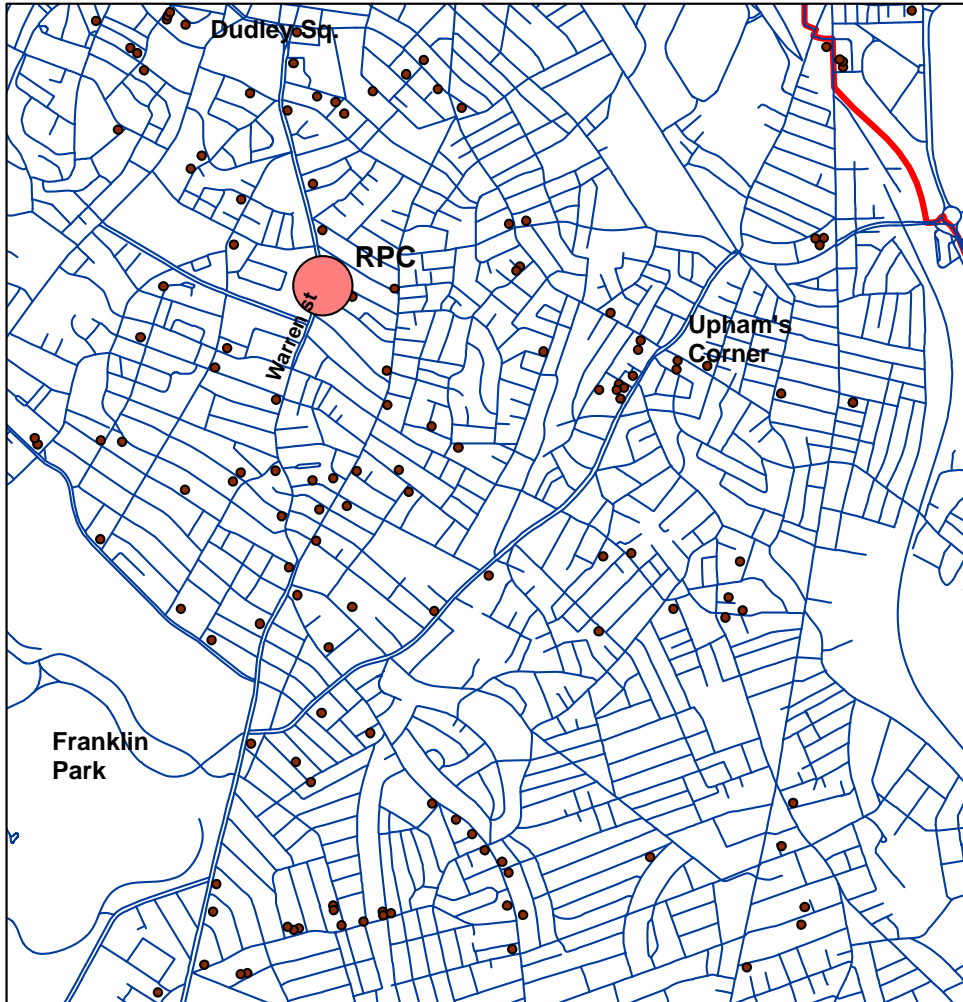
### Collaboration with health Centers

will help address some of the health disparities in the area and facilitate a systematic access and utilization of services by residents.



## Faith-Based Organizations in the Roxbury Presbyterian Church Area (RCP)

### Roxbury Presbyterian Church Area Detail



**Collaboration** with other faith-based organizations will be important to ascertain some of the gaps in the support system and also play any complementary/lead role.



**THANK YOU**



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