

## Housing and Household Patterns

Given that the Latino population is younger, it is not surprising that the proportion of Latino-headed households who are renters is much higher generally than among non-Latinos. In six of nine counties, approximately two-thirds of Latino households are renters, but in the other three counties (Kenosha, Racine and Door) the percentages of Latino owners and renters are almost equal. In contrast, in nearly all cases, for the non-Latino population home ownership rates range from two-thirds to four-fifths (except in Milwaukee and Dane counties, the latter influenced by the large student population).

*Table 2. Latino and non-Latino Households by Owner/Renter Status, 2010-2014*

	Brown County		Kenosha County		Milwaukee County		Racine County		Dane County	
<b>Tenure</b>	Latino	Non-Latino	Latino	Non-Latino	Latino	Non-Latino	Latino	Non-Latino	Latino	Non-Latino
<b>Owner</b>	33%	67%	49%	68%	37%	52%	49%	72%	30%	60%
<b>Renter</b>	67%	33%	51%	32%	63%	48%	51%	28%	70%	40%

	Fond du Lac County		Door County		Kewaunee County		Trempealeau County	
<b>Tenure</b>	Latino	Non-Latino	Latino	Non-Latino	Latino	Non-Latino	Latino	Non-Latino
<b>Owner</b>	35%	72%	52%	78%	35%	81%	33%	74%
<b>Renter</b>	65%	28%	48%	22%	65%	19%	67%	26%

Latino households are also far more likely to live in multi-family rather than single-family housing units. The percentage of Latinos who live in single family units range from a low of 30 percent (Dane) to 66 percent (Kewaunee). In contrast, the percentages of non-Latino households who live in single-family housing ranges from 55 percent (Milwaukee) to 86 percent (Kewaunee). Furthermore, in the rural counties, where multi-family housing is less common, Latinos reside in mobile homes at rates much higher than the non-Latino population.

*Table 3. Latino and non-Latino Households by Housing Type, 2010-2014*

	Brown County		Kenosha County		Milwaukee County		Racine County		Dane County	
<b>Units in Structure</b>	Latino	Non-Latino	Latino	Non-Latino	Latino	Non-Latino	Latino	Non-Latino	Latino	Non-Latino
<b>1</b>	46%	72%	59%	73%	47%	55%	62%	75%	30%	62%
<b>2-4</b>	19%	9%	19%	10%	33%	20%	23%	10%	17%	11%
<b>5-9</b>	22%	7%	6%	5%	6%	6%	6%	5%	19%	6%
<b>10 or more</b>	9%	11%	9%	10%	13%	19%	9%	8%	32%	20%
<b>Mobile home</b>	3%	1%	6%	3%	1%	0%	1%	1%	2%	1%

Units in Structure	Fond du Lac County		Door County		Kewaunee County		Trempealeau County	
	Latino	Non-Latino	Latino	Non-Latino	Latino	Non-Latino	Latino	Non-Latino
<b>1</b>	41%	74%	50%	81%	66%	86%	50%	80%
<b>2-4</b>	21%	9%	16%	6%	20%	4%	30%	7%
<b>5-9</b>	14%	5%	2%	4%	0%	2%	3%	4%
<b>10 or more</b>	17%	8%	3%	4%	0%	3%	6%	3%
<b>Mobile home</b>	8%	4%	28%	5%	14%	5%	11%	6%

The Latino population tends to live in family households at rates greater than the non-Latino population. Non-Latino family households tend primarily to be made up of married couples without children in the home (influenced by the age pattern: many of these couples are likely “empty nesters” whose children have grown and moved away), while the plurality of Latino family households are married couples with children. Furthermore, the percentage of Latino family households where only a single parent is present is higher in most counties than the corresponding non-Latino families. Finally, it is much less common for Latinos to live alone than it is for non-Latinos.

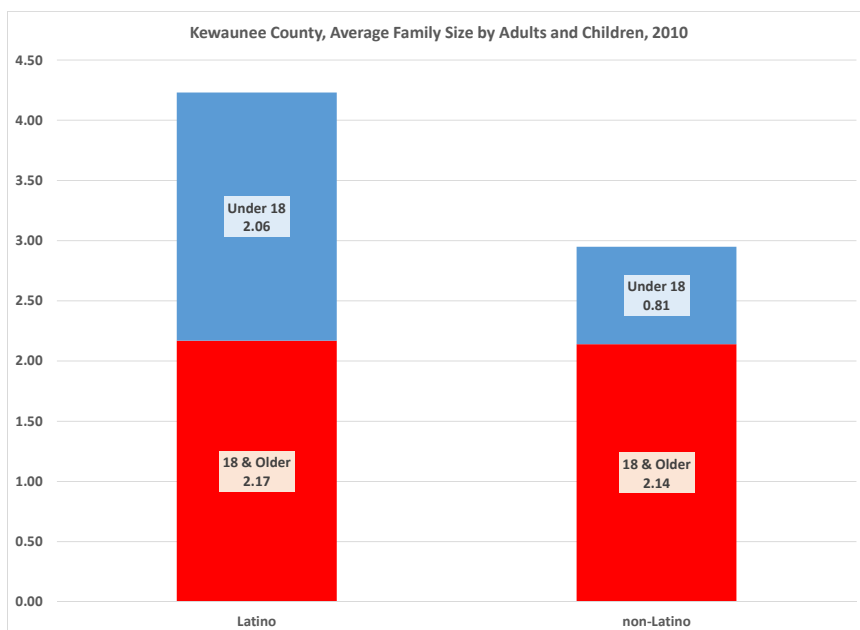
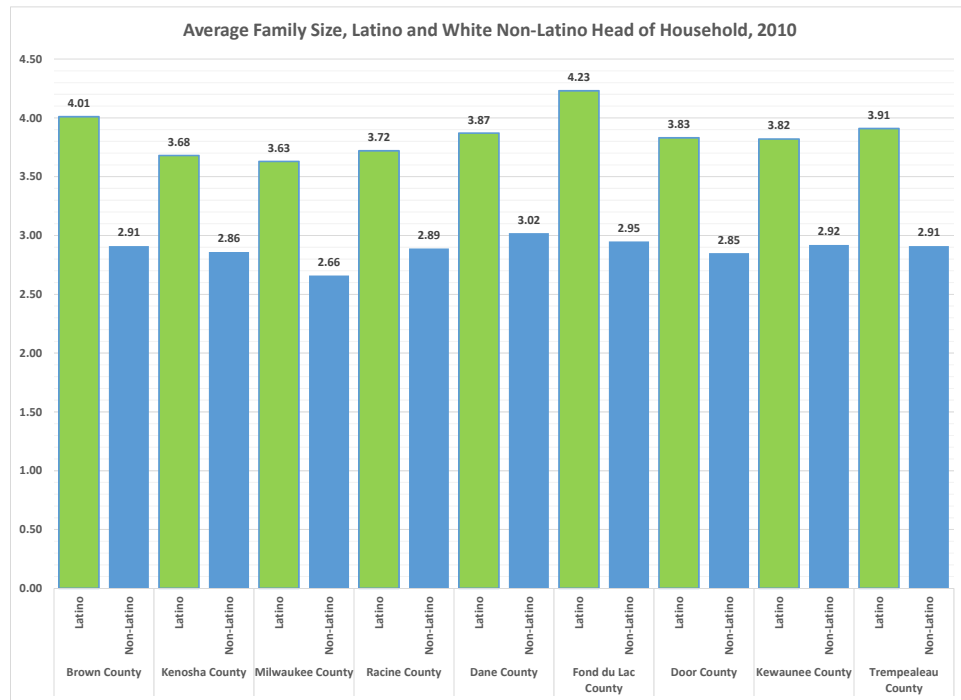
Table 4. Latino and non-Latino Households by Type, 2010-2014

Household Type	Brown County		Kenosha County		Milwaukee County		Racine County		Dane County	
	Latino	Non-Latino	Latino	Non-Latino	Latino	Non-Latino	Latino	Non-Latino	Latino	Non-Latino
<b>Family households</b>	<b>82%</b>	<b>64%</b>	<b>80%</b>	<b>65%</b>	<b>74%</b>	<b>55%</b>	<b>78%</b>	<b>65%</b>	<b>68%</b>	<b>58%</b>
Married couples, no children	9%	30%	15%	29%	11%	22%	14%	32%	13%	27%
Married couples, with children	45%	20%	33%	18%	29%	13%	32%	17%	30%	19%
Single parent with children	23%	9%	28%	11%	27%	12%	27%	9%	19%	8%
Other families	4%	5%	5%	7%	7%	9%	5%	6%	6%	4%
<b>Non-family HHs</b>	<b>18%</b>	<b>36%</b>	<b>20%</b>	<b>35%</b>	<b>26%</b>	<b>45%</b>	<b>22%</b>	<b>35%</b>	<b>32%</b>	<b>42%</b>
Householder living alone	11%	29%	15%	28%	19%	37%	19%	29%	19%	31%
Householder not living alone	7%	7%	5%	7%	7%	8%	3%	6%	13%	11%

Household Type	Fond du Lac County		Door County		Kewaunee County		Trempealeau County	
	Latino	Non-Latino	Latino	Non-Latino	Latino	Non-Latino	Latino	Non-Latino
<b>Family households</b>	<b>73%</b>	<b>67%</b>	<b>75%</b>	<b>63%</b>	<b>68%</b>	<b>68%</b>	<b>81%</b>	<b>67%</b>
Married couples, no children	16%	34%	19%	40%	40%	37%	10%	33%
Married couples, with children	28%	20%	24%	14%	28%	21%	34%	20%
Single parent with children	28%	8%	25%	5%	0%	5%	29%	9%

Other families	2%	5%	7%	4%	0%	4%	7%	5%
<b>Non-family HHs</b>	<b>27%</b>	<b>33%</b>	<b>25%</b>	<b>37%</b>	<b>32%</b>	<b>32%</b>	<b>19%</b>	<b>33%</b>
Householder living alone	22%	28%	18%	31%	27%	28%	11%	28%
Householder not living alone	5%	5%	7%	6%	4%	4%	8%	5%

Because more Latinos live in family arrangements and, more often than not, have children in their households, their average household and family sizes are larger than those of non-Latinos. As the adjoining graph illustrates, in all nine counties, the average Latino-headed family is 30% to 40% larger than white non-Latino families.



The differences in average family size are due solely to more children being present in Latino families. Across the nine counties analyzed for this study, the average number of adults in Latino-headed families is 2.17; for white non-Latino families, the average number of adults is 2.10. Thus, as this graph for Kewaunee County illustrates, virtually the entire difference in family size is due to greater numbers of children in Latino households.