Moving Out

This infographic shows what respondents say of the 2017 City Survey say about their intentions to move out of San Francisco in the next three years. 31% of residents say they are likely to move out of the City: that’s nearly one-third. This percentage has remained relatively steady since 2005, hovering between 20% and 33% in that timeframe.

Families

43% of parents with children age 0 - 5 years old say they are likely to move out of San Francisco in the next three years. Parents with kids age 0 - 5 years old say they are likely to move 1.5 times more frequently than parents with kids age 6 - 18 years old.

Race and Ethnicity

The general population of San Francisco is increasing, with minor shifts in the racial makeup from 2010 to 2015, according to the U.S. Census Bureau. While white residents are the least likely to report plans to move in the next three years, they represent a slightly decreasing proportion of the population. The breakdown of what percent of respondents are likely to move out by ethnicity & race and the percentage of the ethnicity & race of the population is as follows: 31% of Asians are likely to move and their percent of the population has increased by 0.2% since 2010; 37% of Hispanics are likely to move and their population proportion has increased by 0.6%; 38% of Blacks are likely to move and their population proportion has decreased by 0.7%; 29% of Whites are likely to move and their population proportion has decreased by 0.8%; and 33% of Other are likely to move and their population proportion has increased by 0.8%. The rise of total population in San Francisco rose from 789,172 in 2010 to 840,763 in 2015.

Age

Younger residents are the most likely to say they will move from the City. 46% of respondents less than 25 years old reported they are likely to move, while 29% of those 35 to 54 years old and 16% of those older than 54 years old said the same.

For the purposes of this document, the word “likely” refers to those who responded they were either “very likely” or “somewhat likely” to move out of San Francisco in the next three years.

Our data on population is from the U.S. Census Bureau. The following is our citation: U.S. Census Bureau. (2011-2015). San Francisco County, DP05 Demographic and Housing Estimates. 2015 American Community Survey 5-year Estimates.

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