

CLARITAS PRIZM PREMIER SEGMENT NARRATIVES 2018

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INTRODUCTION TO CLARITAS PRIZM PREMIER

Claritas has remained at the forefront of segmentation development due to our willingness to adapt our data modeling techniques to keep pace with the geodemographic data available through the U.S. Census Bureau and other sources. Improvements created by Claritas in statistical techniques, combined with new data sources and changes instituted by the Census starting in the year 2010, offered Claritas the rare opportunity to build a unique solution for consumer segmentation. The result was the new Claritas PRIZM Premier system, which delivers a more complete picture of household consumption in today's complex marketplace.

This document includes a high-level overview of the techniques used to create the PRIZM[®] Premier segmentation system. More detailed information about model development, segment assignments, and Urbanicity can be found in the *Claritas PRIZM Premier Methodology Document*.

Overview

With PRIZM Premier, Claritas continues to provide a seamless transition between household-level segmentation and traditional geodemographics by delivering the same segments at all levels. Having the ability to downshift from geodemographic to household-level data makes it possible for marketers to move effortlessly from market planning and media strategy to customer acquisition, cross-selling, and retention while using the same language to describe their consumers.

PRIZM Premier classifies every U.S. household into one of 68 consumer segments based on the household's purchasing preferences. PRIZM Premier offers a complete set of ancillary databases and links to third-party data, allowing marketers to use data outside of their own customer files to pinpoint products and services that their best customers are most likely to use, as well as locate their best customers on the ground. PRIZM Premier enables marketers to create a complete portrait of their customers to better understand, find and engage with their best clients and prospects.

The external links of PRIZM Premier allow for company-wide integration of a single customer concept. Beyond coding customer records for consumer targeting applications, Claritas provides estimates of markets and trade areas for location analytics and profile databases for behaviors ranging from leisure time preferences to shopping to eating to favorite magazines and TV shows, all of which can help craft ad messaging and media strategy. Components of the PRIZM Premier system can be grouped by the stage of customer analysis, as shown in the following table:

CUSTOMER ANALYSIS STAGE	PRIZM PREMIER COMPONENT USED
Coding customer records	Household-level coding Geodemographic coding and/or fill in
Comparing coded customer records to trade area(s)	Current-year segment distributions Five-year segment distributions PRIZM Premier Z6 (Delivery Point Code) segment distributions

CUSTOMER ANALYSIS STAGE	PRIZM PREMIER COMPONENT USED
Determining segment characteristics for demographics, lifestyle, media, and other behaviors	Household Demographic Profiles Neighborhood Demographic Profiles Claritas Technology Behavior Track Profiles Claritas Financial Product Profiles Claritas Insurance Product Profiles Claritas Income Producing Assets/Net Worth Profiles GfK Mediamark Research Inc. (MRI) Profiles Claritas TV Behavior Profiles Additional profiles as created by Claritas PRIZM Premier Links Network Custom surveys or databases

Model Development

PRIZM Premier was developed using Claritas' proprietary methodology that allows marketers to seamlessly shift from ZIP Code level to block group level to ZIP+4 level, all the way down to the individual household level—all with the same set of 68 segments. This single set of segments affords marketers the benefits of household-level precision in applications such as direct mail, while at the same time maintaining the broad market linkages, usability, and cost-effectiveness of geodemographics for applications such as market sizing and location analysis.

Statistical Techniques

In 1980 and 1990, Claritas statisticians rebuilt PRIZM by essentially repeating the same steps they performed when Claritas pioneered geodemographic segmentation in 1976. They aggressively analyzed the data, isolated key factors, and developed a new clustering system. The development of each new system provided an opportunity to evaluate and implement improvements as they became available, but the underlying segmentation technique was clustering.

Since the 1970s, the most popular of the clustering techniques has been K-means clustering. The final number of clusters desired is specified to the algorithm (this is the origin of the "K" in K-means) and the algorithm then partitions the observations into K-number of clusters as determined by their location in n-dimensional space, as dictated by demographic factors. Membership in a cluster is determined by the proximity to the group center, or mean, in space (hence the origin of the "mean" in K-means).

For any type of clustering process to work well, the statistician must correctly identify the important dimensions before implementing the clustering process. For marketing purposes, obvious drivers are age and income. However, appropriate levels for each of these critically important dimensions still need to be chosen. For example, does the dimension of income create better differentiation at \$35,000 or \$50,000? How does choosing between these two values of the same dimension change the clustering outcome? These choices are important, because when the clustering iterations end and yield an answer, marketers are left with clusters of households that have been organized by their proximity to each other by the demographic metrics that were chosen. This answer may or may not be meaningful to the original task of creating groups that differ in their behaviors—in large part because behavior measures were not incorporated into the clustering technique itself.

With PRIZM, Claritas broke with traditional clustering algorithms to embrace a new technology that yields better segmentation results. PRIZM Premier was created using this same proprietary method called Multivariate Divisive

Partitioning (MDP). MDP borrows and extends a tree partitioning method that creates the segments based on demographics that matter most to households' behaviors.

The most common tree partitioning technique, Classification and Regression Trees (CART), involves a more modeling-oriented process than clustering. Described simply, statisticians begin with a single behavior they wish to predict and start with all participating households in a single segment. Predictor variables, such as income, age, or presence of children, are analyzed to find the variable—and the appropriate value of that variable—that divides the single segment into two that have the greatest difference for that behavior. Additional splitting takes place until all effective splits have been made or the size of the segment created falls below a target threshold.

In the example that follows, the CART process starts with all of the survey respondents in one segment for the behavior of interest—in this case, owning mutual funds. Of this particular respondent pool, 10 percent report owning mutual funds. Next, the CART routine searches for the demographic variable—and the value of that demographic variable—that creates the two segments that are most different on the behavior of interest. Our example shows that dividing the first group by an income of \$50,000 yields two segments—one with mutual fund use of 3 percent and the second with mutual fund use of 18 percent. We can divide the second segment again, with the result that a split based on an age of 45 yields two more segments—one with mutual fund use of 12 percent and the other with mutual fund use of 30 percent.



If the process stops here, we have a segmentation system with three segments—one with 3% of its members owning mutual funds, a second with 12% of its members owning mutual funds, and the third with 30% of members owning mutual funds. However, this resulting segmentation system does not provide useful information about any other behaviors—it's optimized only for owning mutual funds. This is one of the limitations of the CART technique: it generates an optimal model for only a single behavior. Because PRIZM Premier is a multi-purpose segmentation system, optimization across a broader range of behaviors is necessary. Claritas made several modifications to the CART process, resulting in the MDP technique, for which a patent is pending. These

modifications extended the basic CART process to simultaneously optimize across hundreds of distinct behaviors at once. This advancement allowed Claritas to take full advantage of the thousands of behaviors and hundreds of demographic predictor variables available at different geographic levels, including the household level. The MDP process was run hundreds of times, with varying sets of behaviors, predictor variables, and a number of other parameters, to ensure that the resulting segments represent behaviorally important groupings.

Data Sources

In addition to a unique statistical technique, Claritas employed an unprecedented number of data sources and data levels in the development of PRIZM Premier. Geodemographic data, the mainstay of previous segmentation systems, included Census demographics and ZIP+4-level demographics summarized from compiled lists.

As with the prior version of PRIZM, Claritas once again used household-level demographics in the development process of PRIZM Premier. To each of the over 900,000 customer records in the development database already coded with Census demographics, summarized ZIP+4 demographics, and custom Claritas measures, Claritas appended a compiled list of household demographics from the Epsilon[™] Targeting TotalSource Plus[™] file. The resulting database was used to design and evaluate systems built with four different sources of data: self-reported household, compiled list-based household, ZIP+4, and block group.

New Assignment Data for Claritas PRIZM Premier

In addition to the geodemographic and behavioral data that was used in the development of previous versions of PRIZM, two new inputs were added to the PRIZM Premier model: a measure of a household's liquid assets and a technology score which measures a household's use of technology in their daily activities. These two measures play a key role in determining the PRIZM Premier segment assignment for a household or geography.

The first is Claritas Income Producing Assets Indicators, a proprietary Claritas model that estimates the liquid assets of a household based on responses to the Claritas Financial Track survey of financial behaviors. Financial Track is the largest financial survey in the industry, collecting actual dollar measures from each survey respondent. From the survey base, information for nearly 250,000 households (rolling three years of quarterly surveys) is anonymized, summarized, and used to construct balance information for a variety of financial products and services that are core to Income-Producing Assets (IPA). No individual respondent survey data is released as part of the PRIZM Premier model.

Strongly correlated to age and income, IPA measures liquid wealth such as cash, checking accounts, savings products such as savings accounts, money market accounts and CDs, investment products such as stock and mutual funds, retirement accounts, and other asset classes that are relatively easy to redeem and move—and for which marketers can readily compete. Note that the asset classifications used in developing PRIZM Premier differ slightly from those offered in the stand-alone Claritas Income Producing Assets Indicators product. PRIZM Premier segments are classified in one of seven IPA categories: Millionaires IPA, Elite IPA, High IPA, Above Average IPA, Moderate IPA, Below Average IPA, and Low IPA.

The second new feature introduced with PRIZM Premier is a measure of technology use that identifies the extent to which a household has embraced technology in their everyday lives. A technology model was developed utilizing more than 100 technology related behaviors from several Claritas and third-party surveys. These behaviors included use of specific devices, as well as specific activities engaged in by the household across various devices and channels. The technology use of each segment within the new PRIZM Premier system is described in terms of how the households within the segment scored relative to the average technology score. PRIZM Premier segments are classified in one of five Tech Use categories: **Highest Tech, Above Average Tech, Average Tech, Below Average Tech, or Lowest Tech** to define their use of technology.

PRIZM Premier incorporates these IPA indicators and tech scores, along with household characteristics, such as income, age, and family composition, and neighborhood characteristics, such as housing stock and home ownership, to create 68 segments. These segments are numbered according to socioeconomic rank (which takes into account characteristics such as income, education, occupation and home value) and are grouped into 11 Lifestage groups and 14 social groups. Social groups are based on urbanicity and socioeconomic rank. Lifestage groups are based on age, socioeconomic rank, and the presence of children at home.

Interpreting Claritas PRIZM Premier Demographics

Claritas provides a series of demographic descriptors used to classify the segments across core dimensions. While demographics form the basis for every segment assignment, not every segment falls neatly into only one category for each demographic. Detailed information about the predominant values for each of the demographic descriptors can be found in the *Claritas PRIZM Premier Segment Descriptors Release Notes*.

CLARITAS PRIZM PREMIER SOCIAL GROUPS

The 14 social groups of Claritas PRIZM Premier are based on Urbanicity class and affluence, two important variables used in the production of PRIZM[®] Premier. First, segments are placed in one of four urbanicity class categories. Within each of these categories, all the segments are then sorted into groups based on affluence, another powerful demographic predictor of consumer behavior. All of the 68 segments are grouped into one of these 14 social groups. At the top of both the affluence and density scales is Social Group **U1: Urban Uptown**, in which residents live in urban areas and are very affluent. At the opposite extreme is Social Group **T4: Rustic Living**, in which residents live in rural areas with a more downscale lifestyle.

	URBAN	SUBURBAN	SECOND CITY	TOWN & RURAL
		SOCIAL	GROUPS -	
HIGH	U1 URBAN UPTOWN	S1 ELITE SUBURBS	C1 SECOND CITY SOCIETY	T1 LANDED GENTRY
	04 Young Digerati	01 Upper Crust	22 Middleburg Managers	05 Country Squires
	07 Money & Brains	02 Networked Neighbors	33 Second City Startups	09 Big Fish, Small Pond
	19 American Dreams	03 Movers & Shakers	37 Bright Lights, Li'l City	11 Fast-Track Families
	21 The Cosmopolitans			15 New Homesteaders
	·			
	U2 MIDTOWN MIX	S2 THE AFFLUENTIALS	C2 CITY CENTERS	T2 COUNTRY COMFORT
	17 Urban Elders	06 Winner's Circle	47 Striving Selfies	18 Mayberry-ville
	31 Connected Bohemians	08 Gray Power	48 Generation Web	23 Township Travelers
	35 Urban Achievers	10 Executive Suites	49 American Classics	24 Pickup Patriarchs
	40 Aspiring A-Listers	12 Cruisin' to Retirement	53 Lo-Tech Singles	27 Big Sky Families
		13 Upward Bound	54 Struggling Singles	28 Country Casuals
		14 Kids & Cul-de-Sacs		29 White Picket Fences
I		16 Beltway Boomers		
¢	U3 URBAN CORES	S3 MIDDLEBURBS	C3 MICRO-CITY MIX	T3 MIDDLE AMERICA
₽	42 Multi-Culti Mosaic	20 Empty Nests	59 New Melting Pot	32 Traditional Times
	43 City Roots	25 Up-and-Comers	61 Second City Generations	38 Hometown Retired
	45 Urban Modern Mix	26 Home Sweet Home	64 Family Thrifts	39 Kid Country, USA
	56 Multi-Culti Families	30 Pools & Patios	66 New Beginnings	44 Country Strong
	63 Low-Rise Living		67 Park Bench Seniors	46 Heartlanders
				51 Campers & Camo
				52 Simple Pleasures
		S4 INNER SUBURBS		T4 RUSTIC LIVING
		34 Young & Influential		55 Red, White & Blue
		36 Toolbelt Traditionalists		57 Back Country Folks
		41 Domestic Duos		58 Golden Ponds
		50 Metro Grads		60 Small-Town Collegiates
				62 Crossroad Villagers
★				65 Young & Rustic
LOW				68 Bedrock America
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Urban (U)



Urban (U) Social Groups have population density centiles mostly between 85 and 99. They include both the downtown areas of major cities and surrounding neighborhoods. Households in this classification live within the classic high-density neighborhoods found in the heart of America's largest cities. While almost always achored by the downtown central business district, these areas often extend beyond the city limits and into surrounding jurisdictions to encompass most of America's earliest suburban expansions.

U1: Urban Uptown

The four segments in Urban Uptown are home to the nation's wealthiest urban consumers. Members of this social group tend to be upscale to wealthy, mostly without kids. Although this group is diverse in terms of housing styles, residents share an upscale urban perspective that's reflected in their shopping behaviors and activities. Urban Uptown consumers tend to frequent the arts, shop at exclusive retailers, drive luxury imports, travel abroad, and spend heavily on computer and wireless technology.



Young Digerati are tech-savvy and live in fashionable neighborhoods on the urban fringe. Affluent and highly educated, Young Digerati communities are typically filled with trendy apartments and condos, fitness clubs and clothing boutiques, casual restaurants and all types of bars, from juice to coffee to microbrew. Many have chosen to start

Wealthy Middle Age Mostly w/ Kids

families while remaining in an urban environment.

Owns an Audi • Eats at Starbucks • Shops at Bloomingdales • Goes hiking/backpacking • Visits Asia • Uses Uber • Listens to Alternative

Age 35-54	Homeowners	Millionaires	Above Average Tech
MONEY & BRAINS 7 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1 1	advanced degrees, ar Many of these city dv	ney & Brains seem to nd sophisticated tastes vellers are married cou	Dider Mostly without Kids have it all - high incomes, to match their credentials. ples with few children who ed lots with expensive cars
Owns a Mercedes	• Eats at Boston Market	Shops at Bloomingda	les • Attends live theatre •

Visits Hawaii • Visits AARP • Listens to News

Age 55+HomeownersMillionaires IPAAverage Te	ech
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Midscale Middle Age Mostly without Kids



American Dreams residents are found in upper-middle-class multilingual neighborhoods in urban areas. They are heavy grocery and convenience store shoppers, opting to prepare meals at home more than their urban counterparts in other segments.

Owns a Volvo • Eats at The Cheesecake Factory • Shops at Nordstrom Rack • Follows men's tennis • Flies JetBlue • Uses Yelp • Listens to News

Age <55	Mostly Owners	Moderate IPA	Average Tech
THE COSMOPOLITANS 21 21	America's fast-growing households feature old	e, The Cosmopolitans cities. Concentrated in ler homeowners. A vibra apartments, and reside	scale Younger Family Mix are urbane couples in major metro areas, these ant social scene surrounds ents love the nightlife and
Owns a BMW • Eat Uses Uber • Listens		at Crate & Barrel • Play	s tennis • Visits Europe •
Age 25-44	Homeowners	Moderate IPA	Below Average Tech

U2: Midtown Mix

Diversity is the hallmark of Midtown Mix, a group of mostly younger, midscale urban renters. It's the most tech savvy of the urban social groups and consists of a mix of singles and couples. In Midtown Mix, the households are dominated by consumers who pursue active social lives - frequenting bars, health clubs, and restaurants at high rates, listening to progressive music, driving small imports, and acquiring the latest consumer electronics.



Midscale Middle Age Mostly without Kids

Urban Elders, a segment located in the downtown neighborhoods of such metros as New York, Chicago, Las Vegas, and Miami, are more likely to be renters than other households in their age cohort. They enjoy the cultural options available to them in their communities, frequently attending musical performances and other live events.

Owns an Audi • Eats at Starbucks • Shops at Bloomingdales • Visit art museums • Flies JetBlue • Watches IFC • Listens to News

Age <55	ve Average IPA Above Average Tech
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Midscale Younger Mostly without Kids



A collection of mobile urbanites, Connected Bohemians represent the nation's most liberal lifestyles. Its residents are a progressive mix of tech savvy, young singles, couples, and families ranging from students to professionals. In their funky row houses and apartments, Bohemian Mixers are the early adopters who are quick to check out the latest

movie, nightclub, laptop, and microbrew.

Owns a Volkswagen • Eats at Chipotle • Shops at H&M • Attends music concerts • Visits the Middle East • Uses Uber • Listens to Rhythmic Contemporary Hits

Age 25-44	Renters	Moderate IPA	Highest Tech
URBAN ACHIEVERS		Midscale Middle Age	Mostly without Kids
	Urban Achievers are	midscale, middle aged,	ethnically diverse
	homeowners in urban	neighborhoods with esta	blished careers and

homeowners in urban neighborhoods with established careers and college degrees. They are active participants in their communities and strong supporters of their local professional sports teams.

Owns a Lexus • Eats at Quiznos • Shops at IKEA • Follows pro boxing • Visits Las Vegas • Watches Telemundo • Listens to Soft Adult Contemporary

Age <55	Mostly Owners	Below Average	IPA	Avera	ge Tech
ASPIRING A-LISTERS	Tunically urban renter		le Older Mo		
40	Typically urban renter lives. They are out and and dining out. They ar	about often and sp	end heavily	on status	brands
	drug stores and con technology use.	nvenience stores,	and have	above	average

Owns a Toyota • Eats at Jack in the Box • Shops at Banana Republic • Follows Major League Soccer (MLS) • Visits Las Vegas • Watches Univision • Listens to Jazz

Age 55+	Renters	Low IPA	Above Average Tech

U3: Urban Cores

The segments of Urban Cores are characterized by relatively modest incomes, education, and rental apartments; however, affordable housing is part of the allure for the group's young singles and aging retirees. Urban Cores is one of the least affluent social groups, and surveys indicate a fondness for both ethnic and mainstream media and products.



An immigrant gateway community, Multi-Culti Mosaic is the urban home for a mixed populace of Hispanic, Asian, and African-American singles and families. This segment is characterized by many firstgeneration Americans who are striving to improve their economic status.

Midscale Middle Age Family Mix

Owns a Dodge • Eats at Little Caesars • Shops at Foot Locker • Follows Mexican league soccer • Visits Mexico • Watches Univision • Listens to Urban Adult Contemporary

Age <55	Mix	Above Average IPA	Average Tech
CITY ROOTS		Upscale Young	ger Family Mix
43	mainly white-colla owned for years.	ighborhoods, City Roots is a segme ir workers, typically living in olde In these ethnically diverse neighbo avid soccer fans, and enjoy traveli	er homes they've orhoods residents

Owns a Nissan • Eats at Popeyes • Shops at H&M • Follows Major League Soccer (MLS) • Visits Central/South America • Watches Telemundo • Listens to Rhythmic Contemporary Hits

Age 25-44	Mostly Owners	Elite IPA	Average Tech
URBAN MODERN MIX		Midscale Mide	dle Age Mostly without Kids
	In Urban Modern M	ix, middle class sing	gles and couples reside in
	ethnically diverse neig	hborhoods in or near	the city center. Despite only
	average overall techno	ology use, they are fr	requent online shoppers for
	everything from jeans	to groceries.	

Owns a Kia • Eats at White Castle • Shops at Burlington • Follows pro boxing • Visits casinos • Watches TV One • Listens to Urban Adult Contemporary

Age <55</th>MixLow IPAAverage Tech

Midscale Middle Age Family Mix



Multi-Culti Families are middle age, urban households with moderate means. Often bilingual, they enjoy a wide variety of media and are average in their overall use of technology.

Owns a Nissan • Eats at Jack in the Box • Shops at Ross Dress For Less • Follows Mexican league soccer • Visits Mexico • Watches UniMas • Listens to Rhythmic Contemporary Hits

Age <55	Mix	Above Average IPA	Average Tech
LOW-RISE LIVING		Lower Mid(Scale) Middle Age M	ostly without Kids
63 63	home to mostly parents. Unlike the	mically challenged urban segment, middle-aged, ethnically diverse s neir low income peers, they rank abo gy - perhaps influenced by their	singles and single ve average in their
Owns a Honda • Ea	ats at Boston Marke	et • Shops at H&M • Follows pro box	king • Flies JetBlue

Watches UniMas • Listens to Rhythmic Contemporary Hits

Age <55	Renters	Below Average IPA	Above Average Tech
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Suburban (S)



Suburban (S) areas have population density centiles between 40 and 90 and are clearly dependent on urban areas or second cities. Unlike Second Cities, they are not the population center of their surrounding community, but rather a continuation of the density decline as you move out from the city center. While some Suburbs may be employment centers, their lifestyles and commuting patters will be more tied to Urban or Second City cores.

S1: Elite Suburbs

The most affluent suburban social group, Elite Suburbs is a world of six-figure incomes, post-graduate degrees, single-family homes, and managerial and professional occupations. Befitting their lofty salaries, S1 members are big consumers of large homes, expensive clothes, luxury cars, and foreign travel. Despite representing a small portion of the U.S. population, they hold a large share of the nation's personal net worth.

The nation's most exclusive address, Upper Crust is a haven for wealthy empty-nesting couples over the age of 65. This segment has a high concentration of residents earning over \$100,000 a year and many possess a postgraduate degree. They have an opulent standard of living - driving expensive cars and frequently eating out and traveling.

Wealthy Mature without Kids

Owns a Lexus • Eats at Bonefish Grill • Shops at Bloomingdales • Follows men's tennis • Visits Europe Watches Fox Business • Listens to News

Age 65+	Homeowners	Millionaires IPA	Above Average Tech
NETWORKED NEIGHBORS		Wealthy Mid	dle Age Mostly with Kids
	Networked Neighbors	is a family portrait of sul	ourban wealth, a place of
	million-dollar homes a	and manicured lawns, hig	sh-end cars and exclusive
	private clubs. This lif	estyle is characterized b	by married couples with
	children, high technol	ogy use, graduate degree	es, and six-figure incomes
0 Gartes	earned by business ex	ecutives, managers, and	professionals.

Owns an Acura • Eats at Qdoba • Shops at Brooks Brothers • Plays tennis • Stays at Westin • Uses LinkedIn • Listens to Sports

Age 35-54	Mostly Owners	Millionaires IPA	Highest Tech
MOVERS & SHAKERS 3 Visits to business of	suburban world of c typically between the executives and white bent to this segment	Wealthy Older home to America's busin lual-income couples who a ages of 45 and 64. Given it -collar professionals, there's as they enjoy reading busin	are highly educated, as high percentage of a decided business
visits to busiliess of	nented websites.		

Owns a BMW • Eats at California Pizza Kitchen • Shops at Nordstrom • Goes skiing/snowboarding • Flies United • Uses Angie's List • Listens to Talk/Personality

Age 45-64	Mostly Owners	Elite IPA	Above Average Tech

S2: The Affluentials

The seven segments in The Affluentials are one socioeconomic rung down from the Elite Suburbs, with a significant drop in median income; but, their residents still enjoy comfortable, suburban lifestyles. The median income and IPA in S2 are well above the U.S. median values, and the members of this social group are a mix of families, couples and singles who tend to have college degrees and white-collar jobs. As consumers, The Affluentials are big fans of health foods, computer equipment, consumer electronics, and the full range of big-box retailers.



Among the wealthy suburban lifestyles, Winner's Circle is the youngest, a collection of mostly 35- to 54-year-old couples with large families in new-money subdivisions. Surrounding their homes are the signs of upscale living - recreational parks, golf courses, and upscale malls. With

a median income over \$100,000, Winner's Circle residents are big

Wealthy Middle Age Mostly with Kids

spenders who like to travel, ski, go out to eat, shop at clothing boutiques, and take in a show.

Owns a BMW • Eats at Starbucks • Shops at The Container Store • Plays soccer • Flies United • Uses Yelp • Listens to Alternative

Age 35-54	Mostly Owners	Ente	IPA	Above A	verage	Tech
GRAY POWER			Wealthy Ma	ture Mostly wi	thout Ki	ds
	Gray Power consists the nation's beltw professionals drawn manageable comm entertainment. They	ays. This to comfo nute to	segment is rtable homes downtown	a haven for s and apartme jobs, restau	white-c nts with irants,	ollar nin a and

Owns a Cadillac • Eats at Bonefish Grill • Shops at Chico's • Follows PGA/LPGA • Visits Alaska • Watches Golf Channel • Listens to Classical



Owns a Jeep • Eats at Chipotle • Shops at IKEA • Plays tennis • Stays at Hyatt • Visits NHL.com • Listens to Alternative

Age 35-54	Homeowners	High IPA	Above Average Tech



Upscale Older Mostly without Kids

Upscale Middle Age Family Mix

With their children mostly grown and out of the house, these older couples are Cruisin' to Retirement. They remain in the neighborhoods where they raised their families, enjoying the suburban lifestyle. They vacation often, watch golf on television, and listen to talk radio.

Owns a Volvo • Eats at Boston Market • Shops at Chico's • Attends symphony or opera • Visits Alaska • Watches Fox Business • Listens to Talk/Personality

Age 55+	Mostly Owners	Elite IPA	Average Tech
			Upscale Younger Family Mix
BOUND			s boasting dual incomes, college

degrees, and new homes. Residents of Upward Bound are above average technology users who own multiple computers and frequently research and purchase all types of products online.

Owns an Audi • Eats at Dominos Pizza • Shops at H&M • Goes to yoga/pilates • Flies JetBlue • Visits Snapchat • Listens to Alternative

Age 25-44	Mix	High IPA	Above Average Tech



Upper-middle-class, suburban, married couples with children - that's the skinny on Kids & Cul-de-Sacs, an enviable lifestyle of large families in recently built subdivisions. This segment is a refuge for collegeeducated, white-collar professionals with administrative jobs and upper-middle-class incomes. Their nexus of education, affluence, and

children translates into large outlays for child-centered products and services.

Owns an Infiniti • Eats at Qdoba • Shops at New York & Company • Follows NBA/WNBA • Flies Frontier • Visit MLS.com • Listens to Active Rock

Age <55	Mostly Owners	Below Average IPA	Above Average Tech
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Upper Mid(Scale) Middle Age Family Mix



The members of the postwar Baby Boom are all grown up. One segment of this huge cohort, college-educated, upper-middle-class, and homeowning, is found in Beltway Boomers. Like many of their peers who married late, many of these Boomers are still raising children in comfortable suburban subdivisions while beginning to plan for their

own retirement.

Owns a Kia • Eats at Chick-fil-A • Shops at New York & Company • Attends minor league baseball games • Flies Southwest • Visit MLS.com • Listens to Talk/Personality

Age <55	Mostly Owners	Below Average IPA	Above Average Tech

S3: Middleburbs

The four segments that comprise Middleburbs share a middle class, suburban perspective, but the similarity ends there. The group includes a mix of ages and interests. Mostly homeowners, the presence of children varies across the segments. The members of Middleburbs tend to have plenty of discretionary income to visit nightclubs and casual-dining restaurants, shop at midscale department stores, and travel often.



Upper Mid(Scale) Mature without Kids

Upper Mid(Scale) Younger Family Mix

With their grown-up children out of the house, Empty Nests is composed of upper-middle income older Americans who pursue active, and activist, lifestyles. Most residents are over 65 years old, but they show no interest in a rest-home retirement. They travel frequently, enjoy golf, and many are active in their country clubs or fraternal

groups.

Owns a Lincoln • Eats at Bonefish Grill • Shops at Stein Mart • Follows PGA/LPGA • Cruises on Royal Caribbean • Watches Golf Channel • Listens to Classical

Age 65+	Mostly Owners	Elite IPA	Below Average Tech



Up-and-Comers are younger families, some with children and some just beginning to get married. Found in suburban areas and second cities, these mobile adults, mostly age 25 to 44, are college graduates who are into athletic activities and the latest technology. Many are continuing their education in the hopes of owning a home, increasing their savings,

and achieving greater success in later years.

Owns a Volkswagen • Eats at Qdoba • Shops at Express/Express for Men • Takes continuing education courses • Flies Southwest • Visits Hulu.com • Listens to Urban Contemporary

Age 25-44	Mostly Renters	Low IPA	Above Average Tech

Upper Mid(Scale) Middle Age without Kids



Widely scattered across the nation's suburbs and second cities, the residents of Home Sweet Home tend to be younger, midscale families living in mid-sized homes. The adults in the segment, mostly under 55, have gone to college and hold professional and white-collar jobs. These folks stay busy remodeling and improving their homes, enjoy the

top of their careers. They are above average technology users, often

occasional night out singing karaoke, and follow professional sports.

Owns a Hyundai • Eats at Logan's Roadhouse • Shops at Dillards • Follows college basketball • Cruises on Carnival • Watches MSNBC • Listens to Rock

Age <55	Mostly Owners	Low IPA	Above Average Tech
POOLS & PATIOS		Upper Mid(S	cale) Younger Mostly w/ Kids
30 🔊 🕅	Pools & Patios is a seg	ment of middle-age	d suburban families. In these
	stable neighborhoods	graced with backya	rd pools and patios, residents
	work as white-collar i	managers and profe	essionals, and are now at the

Owns a Nissan • Eats at Wingstop • Shops at Burlington • Plays soccer • Stays at Comfort Inn • Watches Nick Jr. • Listens to Christian Adult Contemporary

researching products and shopping online.

Age 25-44	Mostly Owners	Low IPA	Above Average Tech

S4: Inner Suburbs

The four segments in the Inner Suburbs social group are concentrated in the inner-ring suburbs of major metro areas where residents tend to be high school educated, unmarried, and downscale. There's diversity in this group, with segments divided evenly between homeowners and renters, and filled with households that are either young or aging in place. The behaviors of the S4 segments vary as well, from younger, more tech savvy segments to more mature segments that are slower to adopt new technology.

Midscale Younger Mostly without Kids



Young & Influential is a segment of younger, lower middle class households that might not have high incomes but are nonetheless influential in their communities and social networks and are very tech savvy. The segment is a common address for middle-class singles and couples who are more preoccupied with balancing work and leisure

pursuits and who live in apartment complexes surrounded by ball fields, health clubs, and casual-dining restaurants.

Owns an Infiniti • Eats at Sonic • Shops at Banana Republic • Follows Major League Soccer (MLS) • Visits Asia • Watches Nick at Nite • Listens to Urban Contemporary

Age 25-44	Renters	Low IPA	Highest Tech
TOOLBELT TRADITIONALISTS		Upper Mid(Scale) C	Older Mostly without Kids
36 J	Like many other	older segments, Toolbelt Tr	aditionalists have empty
	nests. If somethi	ng needs to be fixed, they a	are likely to do the work
(\mathcal{Y})	themselves with t	their own power tools or pain	t. They enjoy the benefits
	of AARP and are f	frequent QVC and HSN shopp	ers.

Owns a Buick • Eats at LongHorn Steakhouse • Shops at Stein Mart • Attend Horse Races • Cruises on Carnival • Visits AARP • Listens to Contemporary Inspirational

Age 55+	Mostly Owners	Low IPA	Average Tech
DOMESTIC DUOS		Lower Mid	(Scale) Mature without Kids
41	and married couples With their fixed incor	living in older suburl nes, segment reside esidents like to social	ix of mainly over-65 singles ban and second city homes. nts maintain an easy-going, ize by playing bingo, meeting
Owns a Buick • Ea	ts at Cracker Barrel • Sh	ops at Chico's • Foll	ows PGA/LPGA • Cruises on

Age 65+ **Mostly Owners** Moderate IPA **Lowest Tech**

Royal Caribbean • Watches Turner Classic Movies • Listens to Soft Adult Contemporary



Lower Mid(Scale) Middle Age Mostly without Kids

Metro Grads are middle age singles and couples still establishing themselves in their careers and their lives. They are settled in suburban areas and second cities but are often out and about, attending everything from soccer and hockey games to operas.

Owns a Toyota • Eats at Church's Chicken • Shops at Books-a-Million • Follows Mexican league soccer • Visits Orlando • Visits CareerBuilder • Listens to Adult Hits

Age <55	Homeowners	Below Average IPA	Average Tech
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Second City (C)



Second Cities (C) are less densely populated than urban areas with population density centiles typically between 40 and 85. While similar to suburban population densities, Second Cities are the population center of their surrounding community. As such, many are concentrated within America's smaller cities and larger towns. This class also includes satellite cities or higher density suburbs encircling major metropolitan centers, typically with far greater affluence than their small city cousins.

C1: Second City Society

Among second-tier cities, Second City Society stands at the top of the heap as a social group consisting of the wealthiest families who live outside the nation's metropolitan core. The three segments in this group are dominated by homeowners with executive jobs and large homes. In the marketplace, they spend big on digital and wireless technology, business and cultural media, casual-dining restaurants, upscale retailers, foreign travel, and luxury cars.



Upscale Middle Age Family Mix

Middleburg Managers tend to be middle class with solid white-collar jobs and good educations. In their older homes, they enjoy reading, while time outside the home is spent at club activities and hiking. They are more thrifty with their spending, despite an upscale income, likely saving for their future retirement.

Owns a Mazda • Eats at Chipotle • Shops at Nordstrom Rack • Goes hiking/backpacking • Visits Canada • Visits Huffington Post • Listens to Rock

Age <55	Mostly Owners	Elite IPA	Average Tech



Upper Mid(Scale) Younger Mostly with Kids

In Second City Startups, young to middle-aged families have settled in neighborhoods within smaller cities and metro areas. These families are ethnically diverse and are more likely to have a military affiliation of some kind and have average technology use.

Owns an Acura • Eats at Jasons Deli • Shops at Ross Dress For Less • Plays basketball • Visits Mexico • Visits Monster.com • Listens to Rhythmic Contemporary Hits

Age 25-44	Mix	Low IPA	Average Tech
BRIGHT LIGHTS, LI'L CITY 37 37 37 37 37 37 37 37 37 37 37 37 37	Li'l City is a gro in the nation's from the urbar	Upper Mid(Sc rica's aspiring socialites live in m up of well-off, college educated, satellite cities and suburbs. D n downtowns, they still like to g out and karaoke evenings.	younger couples settled espite living further out
Owns an Oldsmobile • Eats at White Castle • Shops at Sam's Club • Follows extreme sports • Stays at Quality Inn • Watches MTV2 • Listens to Rock			

Age 25-44	Mix	Low IPA	Average Tech
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C2: City Centers

The five segments in the C2 social group consist of a mix of Americans, old and young, homeowners and renters, families and singles, who've settled in the nation's satellite cities. What they share is a middle class status, educations that include at least some college, and a lifestyle heavy on leisure and recreation. The members of City Centers tend to be big fans of home-centered activities: Internet surfing, video renting, TV viewing, and playing games and musical instruments. Outside their homes, they go to movies, museums, and bowling alleys at high rates.



Low Income Middle Age Mostly without Kids

Striving Selfies is a segment of younger singles and couples that show signs of greater potential. They are among the most tech savvy segments with some college credits under their belt. More often than not, they are renters who have not yet been able to purchase their first home.

Owns a Pontiac • Eats at Starbucks • Shops at Express/Express for Men • Follows NBA/WNBA • Flies Frontier • Watches Nick at Nite • Listens to Urban Contemporary

Age <55	Renters	Low IPA	Highest Tech

Low Income Middle Age Family Mix



Having grown up in the age of the internet, Generation Web are younger families with above average technology use. They are more often renters, living in suburban neighborhoods and second cities, and frequent video game and accessory stores.

Owns a Mazda • Eats at Dominos Pizza • Shops at Forever 21 • Plays soccer • Stays at Days Inn • Watches MTV2 • Listens to Rhythmic Contemporary Hits

Age <55	Renters	Low IPA	Above Average Tech
AMERICAN CLASSICS 49	are still living the living a comfortable	r and retired, but the re American Dream of hor le lifestyle, these couple	lid(Scale) Older without Kids esidents of American Classics me ownership. Homeowners es are below average in their ntertainment outside of the
	nome.		

Owns an Oldsmobile • Eats at Bob Evans • Shops at Chico's • Follows Figure Skating • Visits Alaska • Watches Hallmark Channel • Listens to News

Age 55+	Mix	Moderate IPA	Below Average Tech
LO-TECH SINGLES	second cities. Reside	lder households centere nts are below average	ale Mature without Kids ed mainly in the nation's in their technology use, urant as their evening

Owns a Kia • Eats at Golden Corral • Shops at Big Lots • Follows NHRA Drag Racing • Visits Bahamas • Watches WGN America • Listens to Adult Standards

Age 65+	Homeowners	Low IPA	Below Average Tech



Downscale Middle Age Mostly without Kids

Ethnically diverse households found mostly in second cities, Struggling Singles are middle aged and mid-career. They enjoy a wide variety of sports and entertainment activities that fill their social calendars.

Owns a Chevrolet • Eats at White Castle • Shops at Family Dollar • Follows Pro Boxing • Stays at Four Points by Sheraton • Watches MTV • Listens to Rock

Age <55	Mix	Low IPA	Average Tech

C3: Micro-City Mix

Micro-City Mix was created via the predominantly downscale residents living in the affordable housing found throughout the nation's smaller cities. A diverse social group, these five segments contain a mix of old and young families, with and without kids. Many of the workers hold blue-collar jobs and their marketplace behaviors reflect the segments' varied lifestyles.



Downscale Middle Age Family Mix

New Melting Pot neighborhoods are populated by a blend of ethnically diverse, young families and singles in the nation's second cities. They are mainly high school graduates that rent and work in a mix of service jobs. They are big fans of gospel music, wrestling, and monster trucks.

Owns a Dodge • Eats at Popeyes • Shops at Burlington • Follows Pro Boxing • Flies Frontier • Watches Oxygen • Listens to Urban Contemporary

Age <55	Mostly Renters	Low IPA	Average Tech
61 DVD	middle-aged parents	ns are often mult or grandparents roof. Also, often	Income Middle Age Family Mix ti-generational households with and new babies and young bilingual, they are entertained programs.

Owns a Chevrolet • Eats at Church's Chicken • Shops at Burlington • Follows Mexican League soccer • Stays at Quality Inn • Watches Telemundo • Listens to Urban Adult Contemporary

Age <55	Mix	Low IPA	Average Tech

Low Income Middle Age Mostly without Kids



The small-city cousins of inner-city districts, Family Thrifts contain middle age, ethnically diverse families that work entry-level service jobs. In these apartment-filled neighborhoods, residents rely on public transportation and seldom have the chance to get away on vacation.

Owns a Buick • Eats at Burger King • Shops at Family Dollar • Follows UFC • Stays at La Quinta • Watches BET • Listens to Urban Contemporary

Age <55	Renters	Low IPA Avera	ge Tech
NEW BEGINNINGS		Low Income Middle Age Mostly with	out Kids

Filled with younger, mostly single adults, New Beginnings is a magnet for adults in transition. Many of its residents are singles and couples just starting out on their career paths in service jobs, or starting over after recent divorces or company transfers. New Beginnings households tend to have the modest living standards typical of transient apartment

dwellers.

Owns a Pontiac • Eats at Cicis Pizza • Shops at Burlington • Follows Pro Wrestling • Stays at Best Western • Watches TV One • Listens to Urban Contemporary

Age <55	Renters	Low IPA	Average Tech
PARK BENCH SENIORS	diverse neighborh educations and inc	rs are typically retired sin oods of the nation's sat comes, these residents m	lature Mostly without Kids ngles living in the racially cellite cities. With modest aintain low-key, sedentary g TV, especially talk shows

Owns a Cadillac • Eats at Church's Chicken • Shops at Family Dollar • Follows Figure Skating • Visits casinos • Watches WGN America • Listens to Jazz

Age 65+	Renters	Low IPA	Below Average Tech

Town & Rural (T)



Town & Rural (T) Social Groups have population density centiles under 40. This Social Group includes exurbs, towns, farming communities and a wide range of other rural areas. The town aspect of this class covers the thousands of small towns and villages scattered among the rural heartland, as well as the low-density areas far beyond the outer beltways and suburban rings of America's major metros. Households in these exurban segments live among higher densities and are more affluent than their rural neighbors.

T1: Landed Gentry

Widely scattered throughout the nation, the four segments in the Landed Gentry social group consist of wealthy Americans who migrated to smaller towns beyond the nation's beltways. Many of the households contain Boomer families and couples with college degrees, expansive homes, and professional jobs. With their upscale incomes, they can afford to spend heavily on consumer electronics, wireless and computer technology, luxury cars, powerboats, books and magazines, children's toys, and exercise equipment.



The wealthiest residents in exurban America live in Country Squires, an oasis for affluent Baby Boomers who've fled the city for the charms of small-town living. In their bucolic communities noted for their recently built homes on sprawling properties, the families of executives live in six-figure comfort.

Wealthy Middle Age Family Mix

Owns an Infiniti • Eats at Panera • Shops at BJs Wholesale Club • Goes Skiing/Snowboarding • Stays at Hilton • Uses Living Social • Listens to Adult Hits

Age <55	Mostly Owners	Elite IPA	Above Average Tech
BIG FISH, SMALL POND 9	Fish, Small Pond are town communities. T trappings of success, i	lege-educated pro often among the l hese upscale, em ncluding belonging	le Mature Mostly without Kids fessionals, the members of Big leading citizens of their small- pty-nesting couples enjoy the g to country clubs, maintaining ending freely on computer
technology.			
Owns a Lexus • Eats at Cracker Barrel • Shops at Stein Mart • Follows PGA/LPGA • Visits			

Age 65+HomeownersElite IPAAverage Tech

Canada • Watches Fox Business • Listens to Oldies

Upscale Middle Age Family Mix



Fast-Track Families lead busy, active lives often centered around the schedules and interests of their children. Always on the go, they are frequent restaurant diners, drive larger SUVs, visit Pinterest, and tend to shop in bulk at wholesale clubs.

Owns a Subaru • Eats at Texas Roadhouse • Shops at Dick's Sporting Goods • Goes Hunting • Flies Frontier • Watches ESPNU • Listens to New Country

Age 35-54	Mostly Owners	High IPA	Average Tech		
NEW HOMESTEADERS 15	find refuge in New Hor With a mix of jobs in w couples have fashion	class families seeking nesteaders, a collecti hite and blue-collar in ed comfortable, chi	iddle Age Mostly with Kids to escape suburban sprawl on of small rustic townships. ndustries, these dual-income ld-centered lifestyles; their		
driveways are filled with campers and powerboats, their house with the latest technological gadgets and hunting gear.					
Owns a GMC • Eats at Jimmy Johns • Shops at Old Navy • Plays Soccer • Visits Orlando • Uses					

Spotify • Listens to New Country

Age 35-54	Mostly Owners	High IPA	Above Average Tech

T2: Country Comfort

The six segments in Country Comfort are filled with predominantly upper-middle class homeowners. In their placid towns and scenic bedroom communities, these Americans tend to be married, with or without children. They enjoy comfortable upscale lifestyles, exhibiting high indices for outdoor activities like gardening, barbecuing and playing golf, as well as home-based activities such as woodworking and crafts. Reflecting their rural, family environment, they prefer trucks, SUVs, and minivans to cars.



Upscale Older Mostly without Kids

Like the old Andy Griffith Show set in a quaint picturesque burg, Mayberry-ville harks back to an old-fashioned way of life. In these small towns, upscale couples prefer outdoor activities like fishing and hunting during the day, and stay home and watch TV at night. Overall, their use of technology trails that of others at their same asset level.

Owns a Cadillac • Eats at Cracker Barrel • Shops at Dillards • Goes Hunting • Visits Alaska • Watches Sportsman Channel • Listens to News/Talk/Information

	Age 55+	Homeowners	Elite IPA	Below Average Tech
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Upper Mid(Scale) Middle Age Family Mix



Homeowners in Township Travelers exhibit a blend of behaviors representative of their upscale incomes and small town environment. They enjoy outdoor activities like fishing and off-road biking but also enjoy the creature comforts of reading, watching college basketball, and shopping at wholesale clubs and gourmet groceries.

Owns a Ram • Eats at Texas Roadhouse • Shops at Best Buy • Follows College Football • Flies Delta • Visits UFC.com • Listens to Contemporary Christian

Age <55	Homeowners	Low IPA	Average Tech
PICKUP PATRIARCHS 24	country chic. They liv	n upscale segment for e in areas that are so es. They are frequent	e Older Mostly without Kids ound in exurban areas, are mewhat rural but they have golfers and boaters, heavy

Owns a GMC • Eats at Arbys • Shops at Dick's Sporting Goods • Follows NASCAR • Stays at Fairfield Inn • Visits NASCAR.com • Listens to Adult Hits

Age 45-64	Mostly Owners	High IPA	Average Tech
BIG SKY FAMILIES 27 Familias, they buyy	Families is a segment high school educatior class lifestyles. Reside	owns across the of middle-aged ro as and blue-collar ents enjoy country activities, especiall	e Middle Age Mostly with Kids American heartland, Big Sky ural families who have turned jobs into busy, upper-middle- music and all types of team y hunting. To entertain their
Tarrines, they buy v	intually every piece of sp	or ting equipment	on the market.

Owns a Chevrolet • Eats at Jimmy Johns • Shops at Academy Sports & Outdoors • Goes hunting • Stays at Hampton Inn • Watches DIY Network • Listens to New Country

	Age 35-54	Mostly Owners	Above Average IPA	Average Tech
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Upper Mid(Scale) Older Mostly without Kids



There's a laid-back atmosphere in Country Casuals, a collection of older, midscale empty-nest households. Today, these Baby-Boom couples enjoy outdoor activities, like hunting, and going out to eat but are not likely to be up-to-date on technology.

Owns a GMC • Eats at Hardee's • Shops at Bass Pro Shops • Follows NASCAR • Stays at Best Western • Watches Sportsman Channel • Listens to Classic Country

Age 55+	Mostly Owners	High IPA	Below Average Tech
WHITE PICKET FENCES 29	American household married with childre	of a generation n. But the curre	Midscale Younger Family Mix k a lot like the stereotypical ago: upper-middle-class and ent version reflects changing ng to start families while others
reading, following	approach the empty sports, and DIY projects a	÷	eir children age. They enjoy
	at Sonic • Shops at Expr isits Hulu.com • Listens t		en • Follows College Football •

Age 25-44	Mix	Low IPA	Above Average Tech

T3: Middle America

The seven segments in Middle America are filled with middle class to lower-middle class homeowners living in small towns and remote exurbs. Typically found in scenic settings throughout the nation's heartland, Middle Americans are a mix of couples and families. Like many residents of remote communities, these conservative consumers tend to prefer traditional rural pursuits: fishing, hunting, making crafts, antique collecting, watching television, and meeting at civic and veterans clubs for recreation and companionship. Friday nights are for celebrating high school sports.

Upper Mid(Scale) Mature without Kids



Traditional Times is the kind of lifestyle where small-town couples nearing retirement are beginning to enjoy their first empty-nest years. Typically age 65 and older, these midscale Americans pursue an active lifestyle. They belong to country clubs and civic clubs and spend their vacation time traveling by motor home.

Owns a Lincoln • Eats at Bob Evans • Shops at Stein Mart • Follows PGA/LPGA • Cruises on Royal Caribbean • Watches Golf Channel • Listens to News/Talk/Information

Age 65+	Homeowners	Elite IPA	Below Average Tech
HOMETOWN		Midscale	e Older Mostly without Kids



Hometown Retired consists of older, midscale couples with no kids at home. Somewhat set in their ways, they are slow to adopt and below average in their use of technology. They watch the news on television and enjoy reading and eat out occasionally at places that they deem to offer a good value.

Owns a Ram • Eats at Cracker Barrel • Shops at Dollar General • Follows NASCAR • Stays at Comfort Inn • Watches CNN Headline News • Listens to Classic Country

Age 55+	Mostly Owners	Low IPA	Below Average Tech
 KID COUNTRY, USA 39 39 	a segment dominated	ughout the nation's h by families living in	le Younger Mostly with Kids heartland, Kid Country, USA is small towns. These working- and are more likely to own

Owns a Jeep • Eats at Sonic • Shops at GameStop • Follows motocross • Visits Orlando • Watches Nick Jr. • Listens to Country

Age 25-44	Mix	Low IPA	Average Tech

Lower Mid(Scale) Middle Age Family Mix



Country Strong are lower middle class families in rural areas that embrace their day-to-day lives. They are focused on their families and prefer hunting and country music to keeping up with the latest technology.

Owns a Ram • Eats at Hardee's • Shops at Wal-Mart • Goes hunting • Stays at Comfort Inn • Watches CMT • Listens to Classic Country

Age <55	Mostly Owners	Below Average IPA	Below Average Tech
	Lower Mid(Scale) Older Mostly without Kids		



America was once a land of small middle-class towns, which can still be found today among Heartlanders. This widespread segment consists of mostly retired older couples living in sturdy, unpretentious homes. In these communities of small families and empty-nesting couples, Heartlanders residents pursue a rustic lifestyle where hunting and

fishing remain prime leisure activities along with cooking, sewing, camping, and boating.

Owns an Oldsmobile • Eats at Hardee's • Shops at Dollar General • Follows NASCAR • Stays at Days Inn • Watches Sportsman Channel • Listens to Oldies

Age 55+	Mostly Owners	Above Average IPA	Lowest Tech
CAMPERS & CAMO		Downscale Mide	dle Age Family Mix
	outdoors. A top segme and fishing. Despite th	e rural areas, Campers & Camo nt for ownership of an RV, they neir age, they are below avera g fans of country music and pr nd eating out.	also enjoy hunting age in their use of
Owns a Chevrolet	Fats at Little Caesars	Shons at Academy Sports & ()utdoors • Follows

Owns a Chevrolet • Eats at Little Caesars • Shops at Academy Sports & Outdoors • Follows Extreme Sports • Visits Canada • Watches Adult Swim • Listens to Country

Age 35-54	Homeowners	Below Average IPA	Below Average Tech



Lower Mid(Scale) Mature without Kids

With many of its residents over 65 years old, Simple Pleasures is mostly a retirement lifestyle: a neighborhood of lower-middle-class singles and couples living in modestly priced homes. Many are high school-educated seniors who held blue-collar jobs before their retirement.

Owns a Cadillac • Eats at Applebees • Shops at Dollar General • Follows Figure Skating • Visits Alaska • Watches INSP • Listens to Classic Country

Age 65+	Mostly Owners	Above Average IPA	Lowest Tech
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T4: Rustic Living

The seven segments in Rustic Living represent the nation's most isolated towns and rural villages. As a group, T4 residents have relatively modest incomes, aging homes, and blue-collar occupations. Many of the residents, a mix of young singles and seniors, are unmarried, and they've watched scores of their neighbors migrate to the city. In their remote communities, these consumers spend their leisure time in such traditional small-town activities as fishing and hunting, attending social activities at the local church and veterans club, and enjoying country music and car racing.



Low Income Middle Age Family Mix

The residents of Red, White & Blue typically live in rural areas. Middleaged, with high school educations and lower incomes, many of these folks are transitioning from blue-collar jobs to the service industry. In their spare time, they are active members of their local community organizations.

Owns a Dodge • Eats at Hardee's • Shops at Wal-Mart • Follows Pro Wrestling • Stays at Days Inn • Watches MTV • Listens to Country

Age <55	Mix	Low IPA	Below Average Tech

Downscale Older Mostly without Kids



Strewn among remote farm communities across the nation, Back Country Folks are a long way away from economic paradise. The residents have below average incomes and live in older, modest-sized homes and manufactured housing. Typically, life in this segment is a throwback to an earlier era when farming dominated the American

apartments on less than \$30,000 a year. Daily life is often a succession of sedentary activities such as reading, watching TV, playing bingo, and

landscape.

Owns a GMC • Eats at Hardee's • Shops at Dollar General • Follows NASCAR • Stays at Days Inn • Watches INSP • Listens to Classic Country

Age 55+	Mostly Owners	Low IPA	Lowest Tech
GOLDEN PONDS		Downscale Older Mo	stly without Kids
58		y a retirement lifestyle, dominat	
		ver 50 years old. Found in sma hese high school-educated sen	

doing craft projects.

Owns a Buick • Eats at Bob Evans • Shops at Kmart • Follows Figure Skating • Cruises on Royal Caribbean • Watches The Weather Channel • Listens to Oldies

Age 55+	Mix	Below Average IPA	Below Average Tech
SMALL-TOWN COLLEGIATES	who are just starting o	Downscale fown Collegiates are youn ut. They are often studer better life for themselv	nts - full or part-time -

Owns a Ford • Eats at Dominos Pizza • Shops at Family Dollar • Follows Pro Wrestling • Stays at La Quinta • Watches Adult Swim • Listens to New Country

Age <55	Renters	Low IPA	Average Tech

Downscale Mature without Kids



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With a population of retired seniors, Crossroads Villagers is a classic small town lifestyle. Residents are high school-educated, with downscale incomes and modest housing. They enjoy the occasional dinner out and are frequent cruise vacationers.

Owns a Buick • Eats at Bob Evans • Shops at Stein Mart • Follows Figure Skating • Cruises on Royal Caribbean • Watches Hallmark Channel • Listens to Adult Standards

Age 65+	Mostly Owners	Below Average IPA	Lowest Tech
YOUNG & RUSTIC		Low Income Middle Age N	
65	nation's rural areas. Th	posed of restless singles and yo ney enjoy the outdoors on the	ir ATVs but are also
	big video gamers and t	ollow NASCAR and monster tr	ucks.

Owns a Chevrolet • Eats at Hardee's • Shops at Wal-Mart • Follows Monster Trucks • Stays at Days Inn • Watches CMT • Listens to Country

Age <55	Mix	Low IPA	Below Average Tech
BEDROCK AMERICA 68	isolated towns loca educations, sprawl struggle to make e	consists of economically ated throughout the nati ing families, and service j	dle Age Mostly without Kids challenged families in small, on's heartland. With modest jobs, many of these residents ment in following motocross ic.

Owns an Oldsmobile • Eats at Sonic • Shops at Wal-Mart • Follows Pro Wrestling • Stays at Quality Inn • Watches MTV • Listens to Contemporary Inspirational

Age <55	Mostly Renters	Low IPA	Below Average Tech

CLARITAS PRIZM PREMIER LIFESTAGE GROUPS

Claritas PRIZM Premier Lifestage classifications provide a different way to look at groups of PRIZM Premier segments. While PRIZM[®] Premier Social Groups are based on both affluence and Claritas Urbanization, PRIZM Premier Lifestage Groups account for affluence and a combination of householder age and household composition.

Within three Lifestage classes—Younger Years, Family Life, and Mature Years—the 68 segments are further grouped into 11 Lifestage Groups. Each Lifestage Group's combination of the three variables—affluence, householder age, and presence of children at home—help paint a more vivid picture of the likely lifestyle of the segments in that group. For example, the three Lifestage Groups that comprise the class Younger Years share the characteristic that the majority of households are young and childless.

What differentiates Y1: Midlife Success, from Y2: Young Achievers, is the age at which residents have achieved this level of affluence. Similarly, the four groups of segments that make up Family Life have children in common, while segments categorized as Mature Years are mostly empty nesters. The most affluent family segments fall into F1: Accumulated Wealth, which includes Networked Neighbors, Country Squires, and Winner's Circle.

	YO	UNGER YEARS		FAMILY LIFE		MATURE YEARS
				LIFESTAGE		
HIGH	Y1 04 13 21 25 31 34 35	MIDLIFE SUCCESS Young Digerati Upward Bound The Cosmopolitans Up-and-Comers Connected Bohemians Young & Influential Urban Achievers	F1 02 05 06 10 11 14 15 16	ACCUMULATED WEALTH Networked Neighbors Country Squires Winner's Circle Executive Suites Fast-Track Families Kids & Cul-de-Sacs New Homesteaders Beltway Boomers	M1 01 03 07 08 09 12	AFFLUENT EMPTY NESTS Upper Crust Movers & Shakers Money & Brains Gray Power Big Fish, Small Pond Cruisin' to Retirement
	Y2 40 47 48 50 54	YOUNG ACHIEVERS Aspiring A-Listers Striving Selfies Generation Web Metro Grads Struggling Singles	F2 23 26 27 29 30	YOUNG ACCUMULATORS Township Travelers Home Sweet Home Big Sky Families White Picket Fences Pools & Patios	M2 17 18 19 20 22 24 28	CONSERVATIVE CLASSICS Urban Elders Mayberry-ville American Dreams Empty Nests Middleburg Managers Pickup Patriarchs Country Casuals
\$	Y3 55 59 60 63 64 65 66	STRIVING SINGLES Red, White & Blue New Melting Pot Small-Town Collegiates Low-Rise Living Family Thrifts Young & Rustic New Beginnings	F3 33 37 39 44 51 F4 42 45 56 61 68	MAINSTREAM FAMILIES Second City Startups Bright Lights, Li'l City Kid Country, USA Country Strong Campers & Camo SUSTAINING FAMILIES Multi-Culti Mosaic Urban Modern Mix Multi-Culti Families Second City Generations Bedrock America	M3 32 36 38 41 43 46 49 52 53 M4 57 58 62 67	CAUTIOUS COUPLES Traditional Times Toolbelt Traditionalists Hometown Retired Domestic Duos City Roots Heartlanders American Classics Simple Pleasures Lo-Tech Singles SUSTAINING SENIORS Back Country Folks Golden Ponds Crossroad Villagers Park Bench Seniors
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Younger Years (Y)



Segments in Younger Years (Y) consist of mostly singles and couples who are typically under 45 years old and generally have no children in the household. Residents may feel they are too young to have children and/or are approaching middle age and choose not to have them. At the household level, around age 45 is the cutoff for most segments. Among these younger segments, only those explicit in their definition for lack of children or with low indices for presence of children tend to be included in Younger Years.

Y1: Midlife Success

The seven segments in Midlife Success typically are filled with childless singles and couples in their thirties and forties. The wealthiest of the Younger Years class, this group is home to many college-educated residents who make six-figure incomes at executive and professional jobs but also extends to more middle class segments. Most of these segments are found in urban and suburban communities, and consumers here are big fans of the latest technology, financial products, aerobic exercise, and travel.

- 04 Young Digerati
- 13 Upward Bound
- 21 The Cosmopolitans
- 25 Up-and-Comers
- 31 Connected Bohemians
- 34 Young & Influential
- 35 Urban Achievers

Y2: Young Achievers

Young Achievers is a Lifestage group made up of a lower midscale segments found in urban and metro neighborhoods. A blend of family types, Young Achievers are also a mix of homeowners and renters. They are above average in their use of technology, often researching their upcoming purchases online.

- 40 Aspiring A-Listers
- 47 Striving Selfies
- 48 Generation Web
- 50 Metro Grads
- 54 Struggling Singles

Y3: Striving Singles

The seven segments in Striving Singles make up the most downscale of the Younger Years class. Found in both cities and rural settings, these households typically have low incomes, often under \$30,000 a year, from service jobs or part-time work they take on while going to college. As consumers, the residents in these segments score high for outdoor sports, movies and music, fast food, and inexpensive cars.

- 55 Red, White & Blue
- 59 New Melting Pot
- 60 Small-Town Collegiates
- 63 Low-Rise Living
- 64 Family Thrifts
- 65 Young & Rustic
- 66 New Beginnings

Family Life (F)



Family Life (F) is composed of segments that are middle-aged and either defined by presence of children in the household or have high indices for households with children under age 18. They may be married couples or single parents. At the household level, presence of children is the primary driver for many segments in this class. While this class also includes segments where the presence of children is not explicit at the household level, in general they do show high indices for that characteristic.

F1: Accumulated Wealth

The eight segments in Accumulated Wealth contain the wealthiest families, mostly college-educated, white-collar Baby Boomers living in sprawling homes beyond the nation's beltways. These large family segments are filled with upscale professionals who have the disposable cash and sophisticated tastes to indulge their children with electronic toys, computer games, and top-of-the-line sporting equipment. The adults in these households are also a prime audience for print media, expensive cars and frequent vacations, often to theme parks as well as European destinations.

- 02 Networked Neighbors
- 05 Country Squires
- 06 Winner's Circle
- **10** Executive Suites
- **11 Fast-Track Families**
- 14 Kids & Cul-de-Sacs

- 15 New Homesteaders
- 16 Beltway Boomers

F2: Young Accumulators

Compared to the Accumulated Wealth group, the five segments in Young Accumulators are slightly younger and less affluent than their upscale peers. Adults typically have college educations and work a mix of white-collar managerial and professional jobs. Found mostly in suburban and exurban areas, the large families in Young Accumulators have fashioned comfortable, upscale lifestyles in their mid-sized homes. They favor outdoor sports, kid-friendly technology and adult toys like campers, powerboats, and motorcycles. Their media tastes lean towards cable networks targeted to children and teenagers.

- 23 Township Travelers
- 26 Home Sweet Home
- 27 Big Sky Families
- 29 White Picket Fences
- 30 Pools & Patios

F3: Mainstream Families

Mainstream Families refers to a collection of five segments of middle class and working-class families. Residents in this exurban group share similar consumption patterns, living in modestly priced homes and ranking high for outdoor activities. Mainstream Families maintain lifestyles befitting large families in the nation's small towns: lots of sports, electronic toys, groceries in bulk, and televised media.

- 33 Second City Startups
- 37 Bright Lights, Li'l City
- 39 Kid Country, USA
- 44 Country Strong
- 51 Campers & Camo

F4: Sustaining Families

Sustaining Families is the least affluent of the Family Life groups, an assortment of segments that range from working-class to decidedly downscale. These segments are primarily found in urban neighborhoods. Most adults hold blue-collar and service jobs, earning wages that relegate their families to small, older apartments or houses. And their lifestyles are similarly modest: households here are into playing games and sports, shopping at discount chains and convenience stores, and tuning into nearly everything that airs on TV and radio.

- 42 Multi-Culti Mosaic
- 45 Urban Modern Mix
- 56 Multi-Culti Families
- 61 Second City Generations
- 68 Bedrock America

Mature Years (M)



Mature Years (M) includes segments whose residents are primarily empty-nesters or those with children in their late teens, away at college or rebounding back to mom and dad's home. At the household level, the primary driver is age, not necessarily the absence of children. Segments that are uniquely child-centered tend to be younger and are grouped under Family Years while those under age 45 and without children are grouped in Younger Years, leaving the last group of segments for the Mature Years.

M1: Affluent Empty Nests

Americans in the Mature Years tend to be over 45 years old and living in houses that have empty-nested. The six wealthiest segments in this group are classified Affluent Empty Nests, and they feature upscale couples who are college educated and hold executive and professional positions. While their neighborhoods are found across a variety of landscapes, they are most common in suburban neighborhoods with large, older homes. With their children out of the house, these consumers have plenty of disposable cash to finance active lifestyles rich in travel, cultural events, exercise equipment, and business media. These folks are also community activists who write politicians, volunteer for environmental groups, and vote regularly in elections.

- 01 Upper Crust
- 03 Movers & Shakers
- 07 Money & Brains
- 08 Gray Power
- 09 Big Fish, Small Pond
- 12 Cruisin' to Retirement

M2: Conservative Classics

College educated, over 55 years old and upper-middle class, the seven segments in Conservative Classics offer a portrait of quiet comfort. These childless singles and couples live in older suburban homes. For leisure at home, they enjoy gardening, reading books, watching public television, and entertaining neighbors over barbecues. When they go out, it's often to a local museum, the theater, or a casual-dining restaurant.

- 17 Urban Elders
- 18 Mayberry-ville
- **19** American Dreams
- 20 Empty Nests
- 22 Middleburg Managers
- 24 Pickup Patriarchs
- 28 Country Casuals

M3: Cautious Couples

Another large group of Mature Years segments is Cautious Couples, featuring an over-55-year-old mix of singles, couples, and widows. Widely scattered throughout the nation, the residents in these seven segments typically are working-class, with some college education and a high rate of homeownership. Given their blue-collar roots, Cautious Couples today pursue sedate lifestyles. They have high rates for reading, travel, eating out at family restaurants, and pursuing home-based hobbies like coin collecting and gardening.

- 32 Traditional Times
- 36 Toolbelt Traditionalists
- 38 Hometown Retired
- 41 Domestic Duos
- 43 City Roots
- 46 Heartlanders
- 49 American Classics
- 52 Simple Pleasures
- 53 Lo-Tech Singles

M4: Sustaining Seniors

Sustaining Seniors consists of four segments filled with older, economically challenged Americans. Primarily found in small towns and rural areas, they all score high for having residents who are over 65 years old and who have household incomes under \$40,000. Many are single or widowed, have modest educational achievement, and live in older apartments or small homes. On their fixed incomes, they lead low-key, home-centered lifestyles. They're big on watching TV, gardening, sewing, and woodworking. Their social life often revolves around activities at veterans clubs and fraternal organizations.

- 57 Back Country Folks
- 58 Golden Ponds
- 62 Crossroad Villagers
- 67 Park Bench Seniors