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# Retail Trade Area Psychographic Profile

LEITCHFIELD, KENTUCKY

Prepared for City of Leitchfield Tourism Commission  
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# Retail Trade Area • Demographic Snapshot

## Leitchfield, Kentucky



### Population

2020	34,144	0 - 9 Years	11.90%
2023	34,362	10 - 17 Years	9.97%
2028	34,752	18 - 24 Years	7.98%

### Educational Attainment (%)

Graduate or Professional Degree	4.52%	25 - 34 Years	12.10%
Bachelors Degree	6.53%	35 - 44 Years	11.22%
Associate Degree	7.45%	45 - 54 Years	12.20%
Some College	19.50%	55 - 64 Years	14.08%
High School Graduate (GED)	44.39%	65 and Older	20.55%
Some High School, No Degree	10.46%	Median Age	42.20
Less than 9th Grade	7.16%	Average Age	41.64

### Income

Average HH	\$66,487
Median HH	\$44,972
Per Capita	\$26,966

### Race Distribution (%)

White	93.42%
Black/African American	0.89%
American Indian/Alaskan	0.27%
Asian	0.31%
Native Hawaiian/Islander	0.01%
Other Race	0.56%
Two or More Races	4.55%
Hispanic	1.51%



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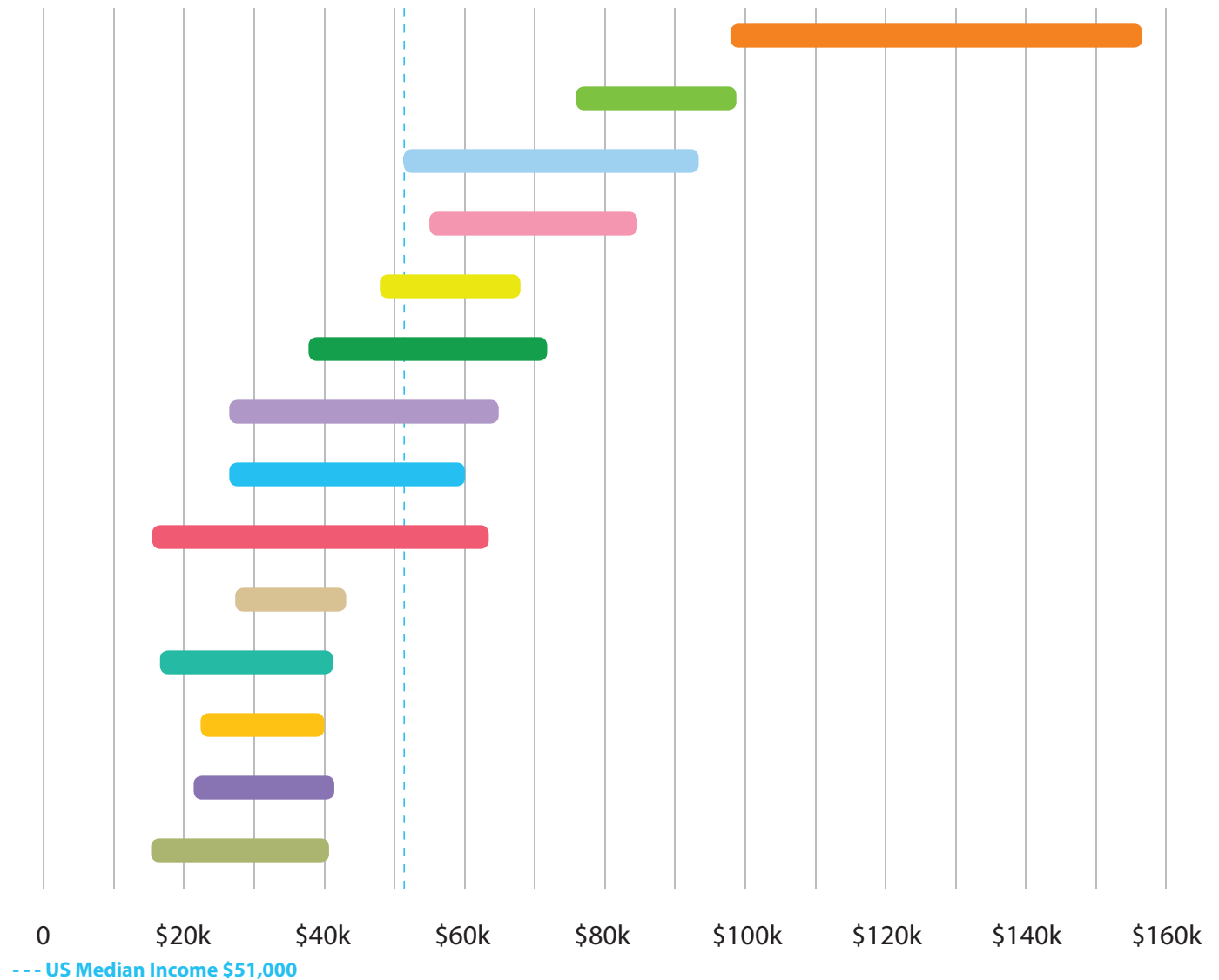
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# Income Range of Lifemode Summary Groups

Leitchfield, Kentucky



**+ L1 AFFLUENT ESTATES**

Established wealth — educated, well-traveled married couples

**+ L2 UPSCALE AVENUES**

Prosperous, married couples in higher density neighborhoods

**+ L3 UPTOWN INDIVIDUALS**

Younger, urban singles on the move

**+ L4 FAMILY LANDSCAPES**

Successful younger families in newer housing

**+ L5 GENXURBAN**

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**+ L6 COZY COUNTRY**

Empty nesters in bucolic settings

**+ L7 ETHNIC ENCLAVES**

Established diversity — young, Hispanic homeowners with families

**+ L8 MIDDLE GROUND**

Lifestyles of thirtysomethings

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Senior lifestyles reveal the effects of saving for retirement

**+ L10 RUSTIC OUTPOSTS**

Country life with older families, older homes

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Growing up and staying close to home; single householders

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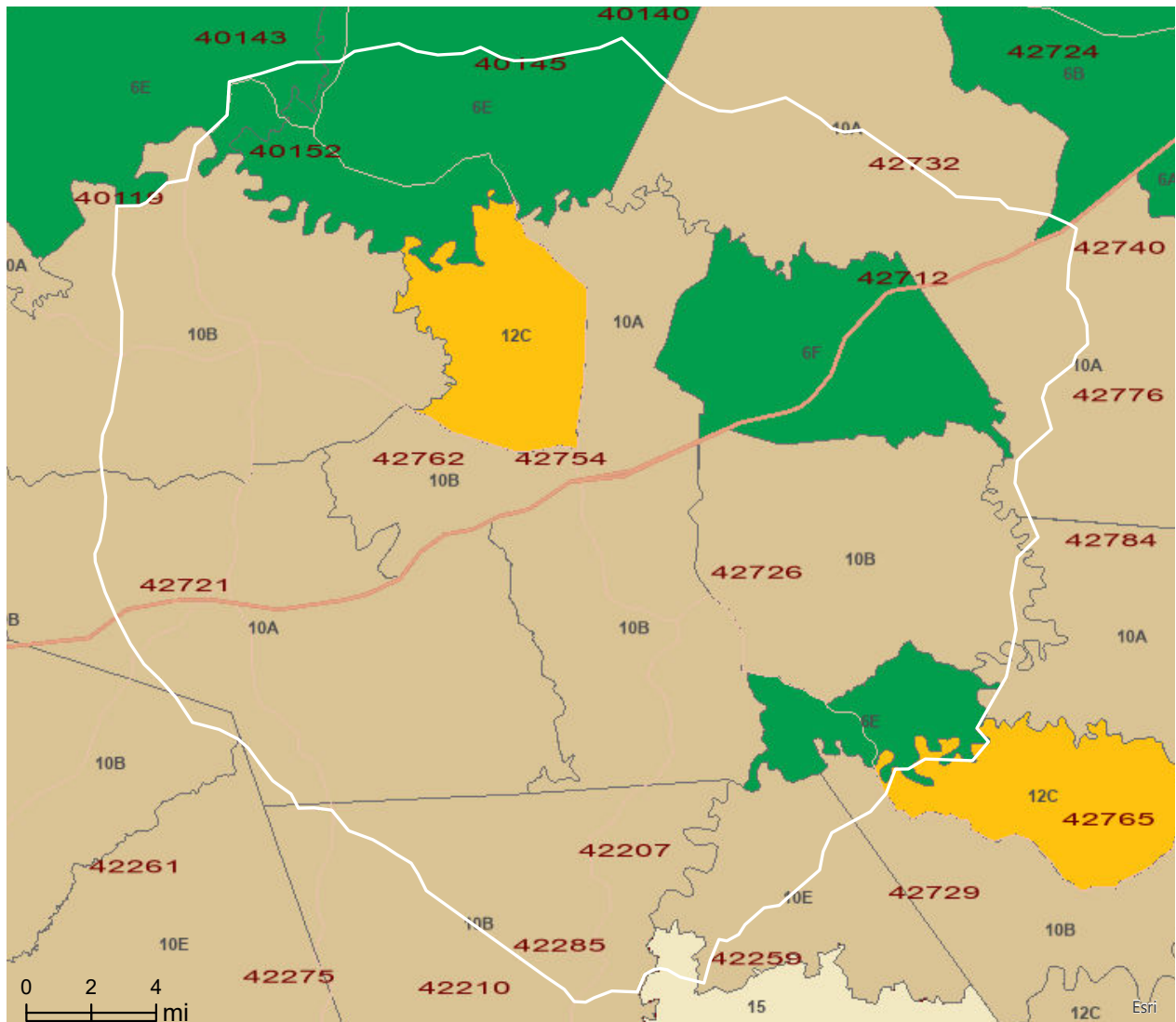
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# Retail Trade Area • Top Tapestry Segments

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	TAPESTRY SEGMENTATION	HOUSEHOLDS PERCENT	CUMULATIVE PERCENT	US HOUSEHOLDS PERCENT	CUMULATIVE PERCENT	INDEX
1	Rooted Rural (10B)	38.0%	38.0%	1.8%	1.8%	2060
2	Southern Satellites (10A)	23.8%	61.8%	3.1%	5.0%	766
3	Heartland Communities (6F)	12.9%	74.7%	2.2%	7.1%	588
4	Small Town Sincerity (12C)	11.8%	86.5%	1.8%	8.9%	664
5	Rural Resort Dwellers (6E)	9.1%	95.7%	1.0%	9.9%	919
	Subtotal	95.6%		9.9%		
6	Rural Bypasses (10E)	4.2%	99.9%	1.2%	11.1%	349
7	Salt of the Earth (6B)	0.1%	100.0%	2.8%	13.9%	4
	Subtotal	4.3%		4.0%		
	Total	100.0%		13.9%		718

# 10B LifeMode Group: Rustic Outposts

## Rooted Rural

**US Households:** 2,430,900  
**Average Household Size:** 2.48

**Median Age:** 45.2  
**Median Household Income:** \$42,300

### WHO ARE WE?

Rooted Rural is heavily concentrated in the Appalachian mountain range as well as in Texas and Arkansas. Employment in the forestry industry is common, and Rooted Rural residents live in many of the heavily forested regions of the country. Nearly 9 of 10 residents are non-Hispanic whites. This group enjoys time spent outdoors, hunting, fishing, or working in their gardens. Indoors, they enjoy watching television with a spouse and spending time with their pets. When shopping, they look for American-made and generic products. These communities are heavily influenced by religious faith, traditional gender roles, and family history.

### OUR NEIGHBORHOOD

- This market is dominated by married couples, few with children at home.
- 80% of homes are owner occupied: primarily single family (73%) or mobile homes (24%).
- Nearly one in five housing units are vacant, with a high proportion for seasonal use.
- Home values are very low—almost half of owned homes are valued under \$100,000.

### SOCIOECONOMIC TRAITS

- Thrifty shoppers that use coupons frequently and buy generic goods.
- Far-right political values on religion and marriage.
- Do-it-yourself mentality; grow their own produce and work on their cars and ATVs.
- Pay bills in person and avoid using the Internet for financial transactions.
- Often find computers and cell phones too complicated and confusing.
- Clothes a necessity, not a fashion statement; only buy new clothes when old clothes wear out.

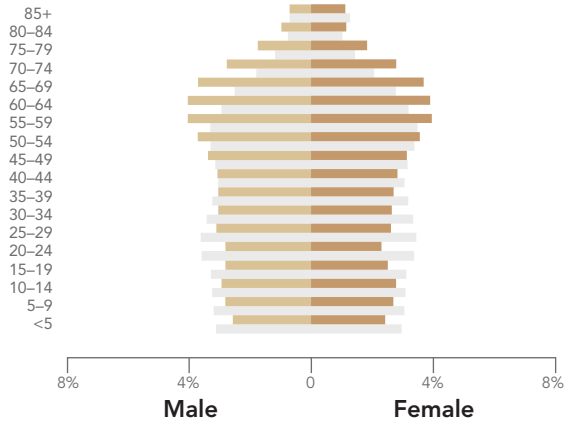
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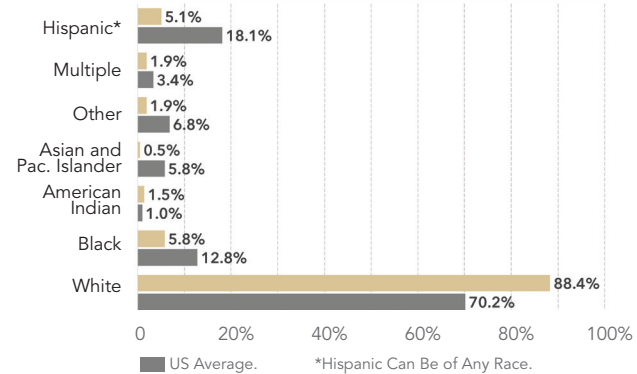
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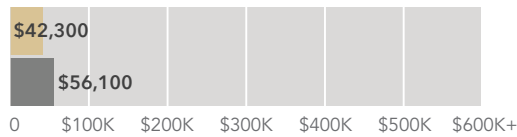
**Diversity Index: 29.2** US: 64.0



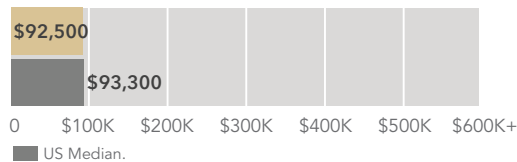
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#### Median Household Income



#### Median Net Worth



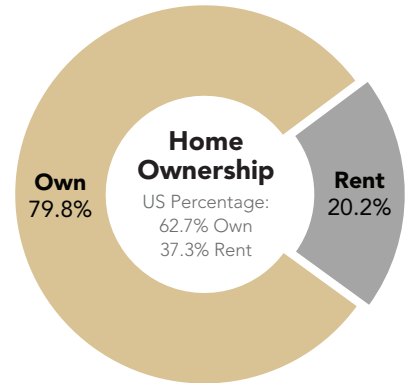
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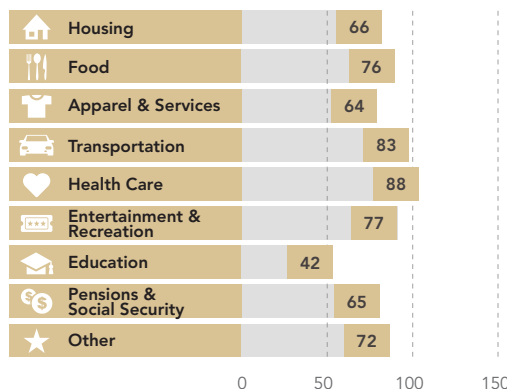
**Typical Housing:**  
Single Family;  
Mobile Homes

**Median Value:**  
\$112,800



### AVERAGE HOUSEHOLD BUDGET INDEX

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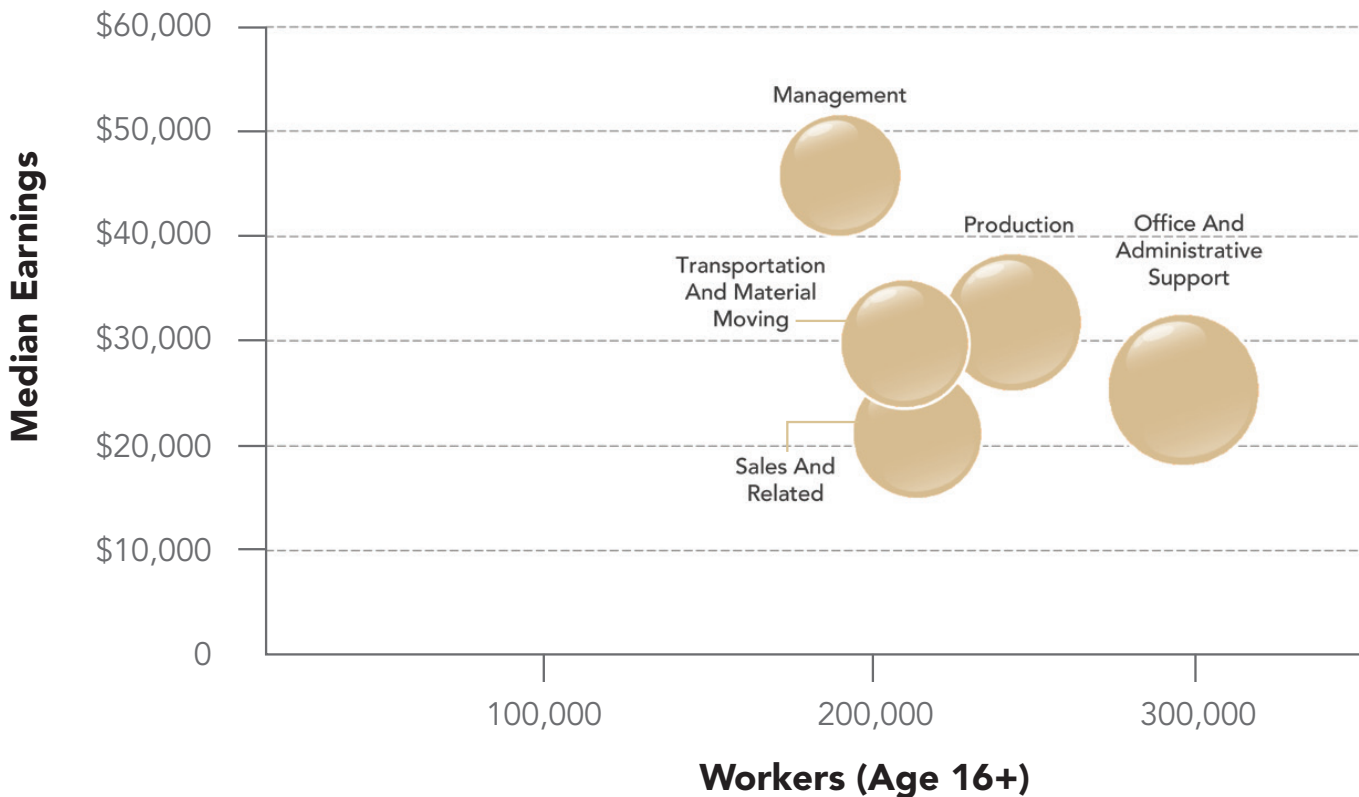
## Rooted Rural

### Market Profile

- They own a riding lawn mower, as well as a garden tiller, and have vegetable gardens.
- More than half of the households have a high-speed Internet connection.
- They use a satellite dish to watch CMT, the History Channel, and GSN (Game Show Network).
- Pets are popular—dogs, cats, and birds.
- Leisure activities include hunting and fishing.
- They listen to faith-based radio, country, and gospel music.
- Many are on Medicare and frequent the Walgreens pharmacy.

### OCCUPATION BY EARNINGS

The five occupations with the highest number of workers in the market are displayed by median earnings. Data from the Census Bureau's American Community Survey.





# 10A LifeMode Group: Rustic Outposts Southern Satellites

**US Households:** 3,856,800  
**Average Household Size:** 2.67

**Median Age:** 40.3  
**Median Household Income:** \$47,800

## WHO ARE WE?

Southern Satellites is the second largest market found in rural settlements but within metropolitan areas located primarily in the South. This market is typically nondiverse, slightly older, settled married-couple families, who own their homes. Two-thirds of the homes are single-family structures; almost a third are mobile homes. Median household income and home value are below average. Workers are employed in a variety of industries, such as manufacturing, health care, retail trade, and construction, with higher proportions in mining and agriculture than the US. Residents enjoy country living, preferring outdoor activities and DIY home projects.

## OUR NEIGHBORHOOD

- About 78% of households are owned.
- Married couples with no children are the dominant household type, with a number of multigenerational households (Index 112).
- Most are single-family homes (67%), with a number of mobile homes (Index 509).
- Most housing units were built in 1970 or later.
- Most households own 1 or 2 vehicles, but owning 3+ vehicles is common (Index 144).

## SOCIOECONOMIC TRAITS

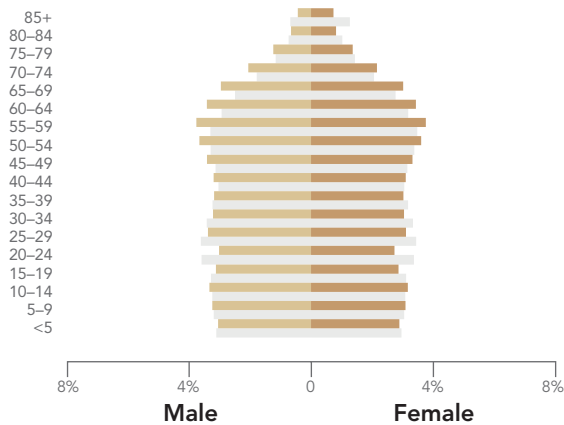
- Education: almost 40% have a high school diploma only (Index 140); 45% have college education (Index 73).
- Unemployment rate is 6%, slightly higher than the US rate.
- Labor force participation rate is 59.1%, slightly lower than the US.
- These consumers are more concerned about cost rather than quality or brand loyalty.
- They tend to be somewhat late in adapting to technology.
- They obtain a disproportionate amount of their information from TV, compared to other media.

# 10A LifeMode Group: Rustic Outposts Southern Satellites

## AGE BY SEX (Esri data)

**Median Age: 40.3** US: 38.2

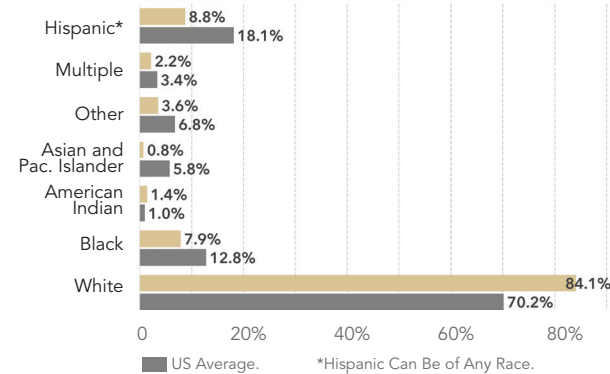
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**Diversity Index: 40.1** US: 64.0



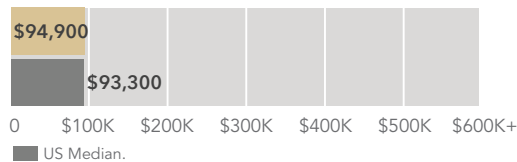
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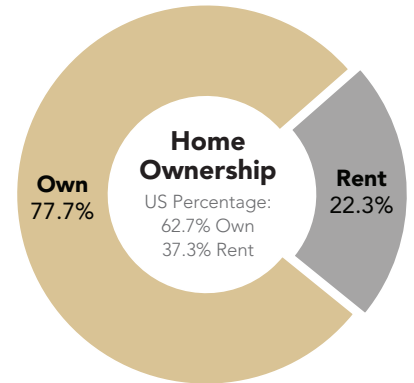
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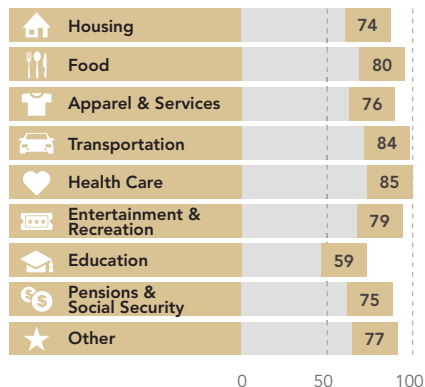
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**Median Value:**  
\$128,500



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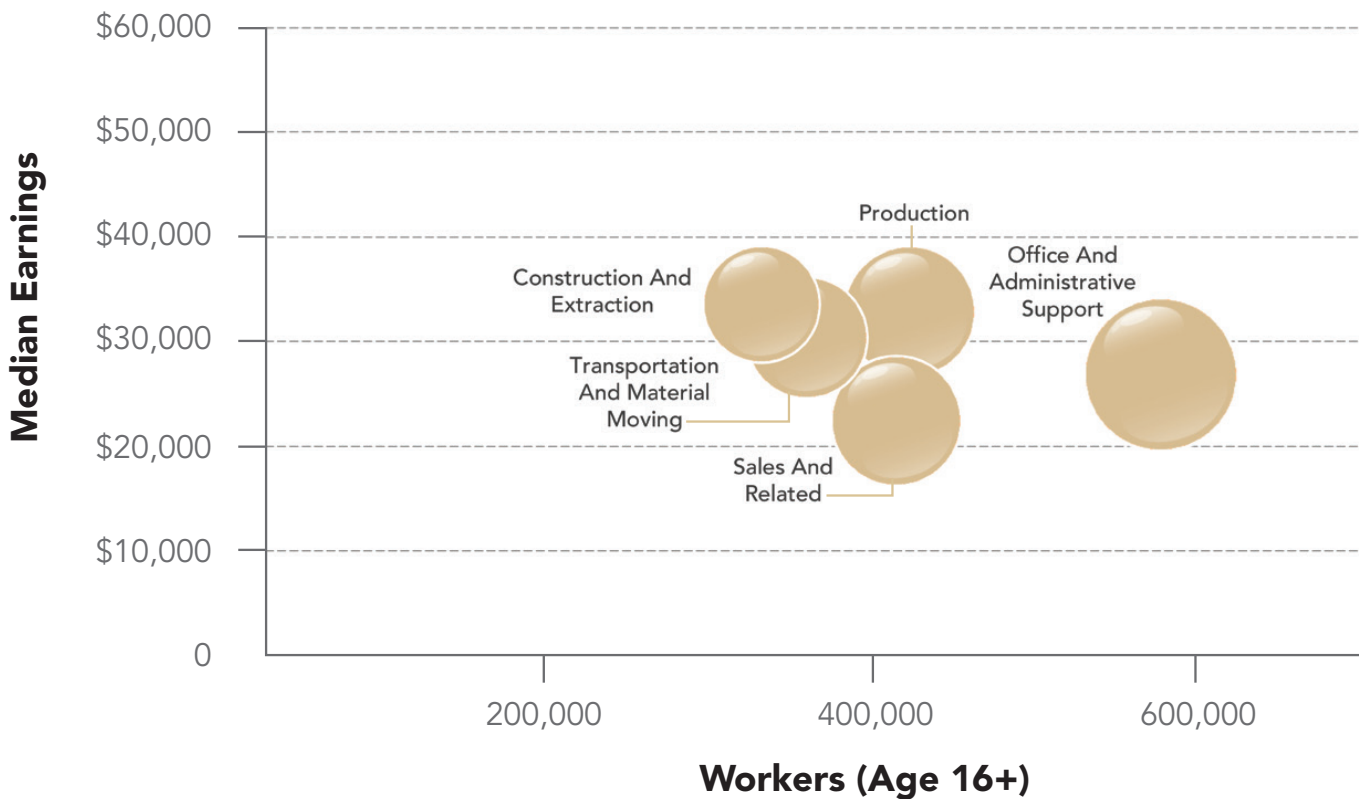
# 10A LifeMode Group: Rustic Outposts Southern Satellites

## Market Profile

- Usually own a truck; likely to service it themselves.
- Frequent the convenience store, usually to fill up a vehicle with gas.
- Typical household has a satellite dish.
- Work on home improvement and remodeling projects.
- Own a pet, commonly a dog.
- Participate in fishing and hunting.
- Prefer to listen to country music and watch Country Music Television (CMT).
- Read fishing/hunting and home service magazines.
- Partial to eating at low-cost family restaurants and drive-ins.
- Use Walmart for all their shopping needs (groceries, clothing, pharmacy, etc.).

## OCCUPATION BY EARNINGS

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# 6F LifeMode Group: Cozy Country Living Heartland Communities

**US Households:** 2,850,600  
**Average Household Size:** 2.39

**Median Age:** 42.3  
**Median Household Income:** \$42,400

## WHO ARE WE?

Well settled and close-knit, Heartland Communities are semirural and semiretired. These older householders are primarily homeowners, and many have paid off their mortgages. Their children have moved away, but they have no plans to leave their homes. Their hearts are with the country; they embrace the slower pace of life here but actively participate in outdoor activities and community events. Traditional and patriotic, these residents support their local businesses, always buy American, and favor domestic driving vacations over foreign plane trips.

## OUR NEIGHBORHOOD

- Rural communities or small towns are concentrated in the Midwest, from older Rustbelt cities to the Great Plains.
- Distribution of household types is comparable to the US, primarily (but not the majority) married couples, more with no children, and a slightly higher proportion of singles (Index 112) that reflects the aging of the population.
- Residents own modest, single-family homes built before 1970.
- They own one or two vehicles; commutes are short (Index 82).

## SOCIOECONOMIC TRAITS

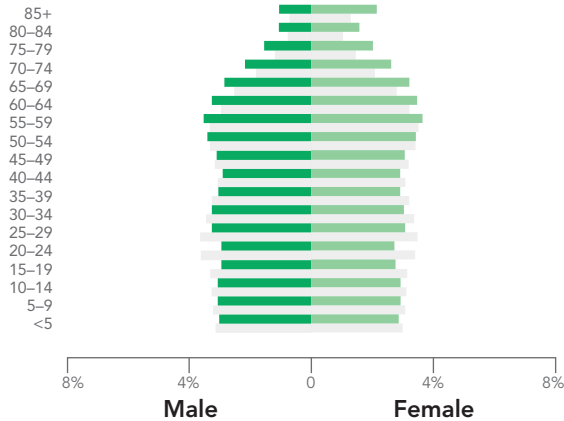
- Retirees in this market depress the average labor force participation rate to less than 60% (Index 94), but the unemployment rate is comparable to the US.
- More workers are white collar than blue collar; more skilled than unskilled.
- The rural economy of this market provides employment in the manufacturing, construction, utilities, healthcare, and agriculture industries.
- These are budget savvy consumers; they stick to brands they grew up with and know the price of goods they purchase. Buying American is important.
- Daily life is busy, but routine. Working on the weekends is not uncommon.
- Residents trust TV and newspapers more than any other media.
- Skeptical about their financial future, they stick to community banks and low-risk investments.

# 6F LifeMode Group: Cozy Country Living Heartland Communities

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**Median Age: 42.3** US: 38.2

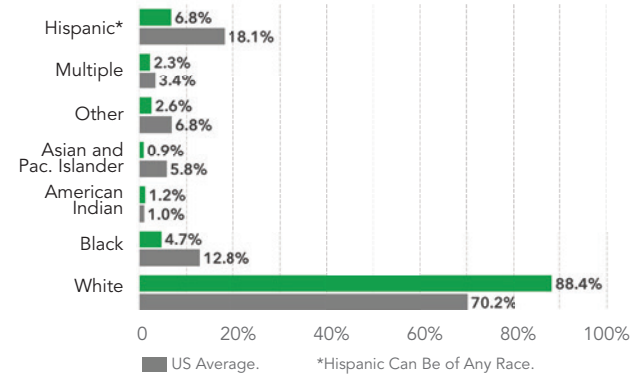
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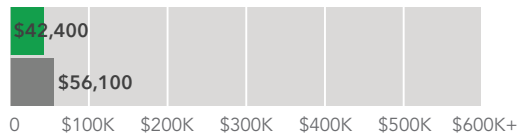
**Diversity Index: 31.5** US: 64.0



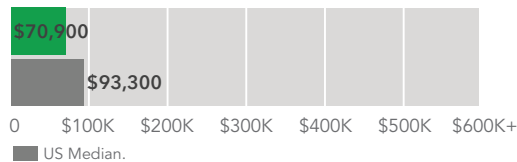
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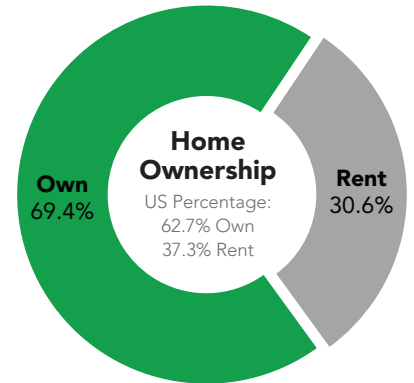
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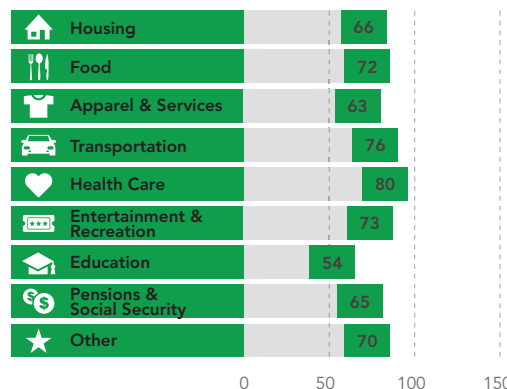
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US Median: \$207,300



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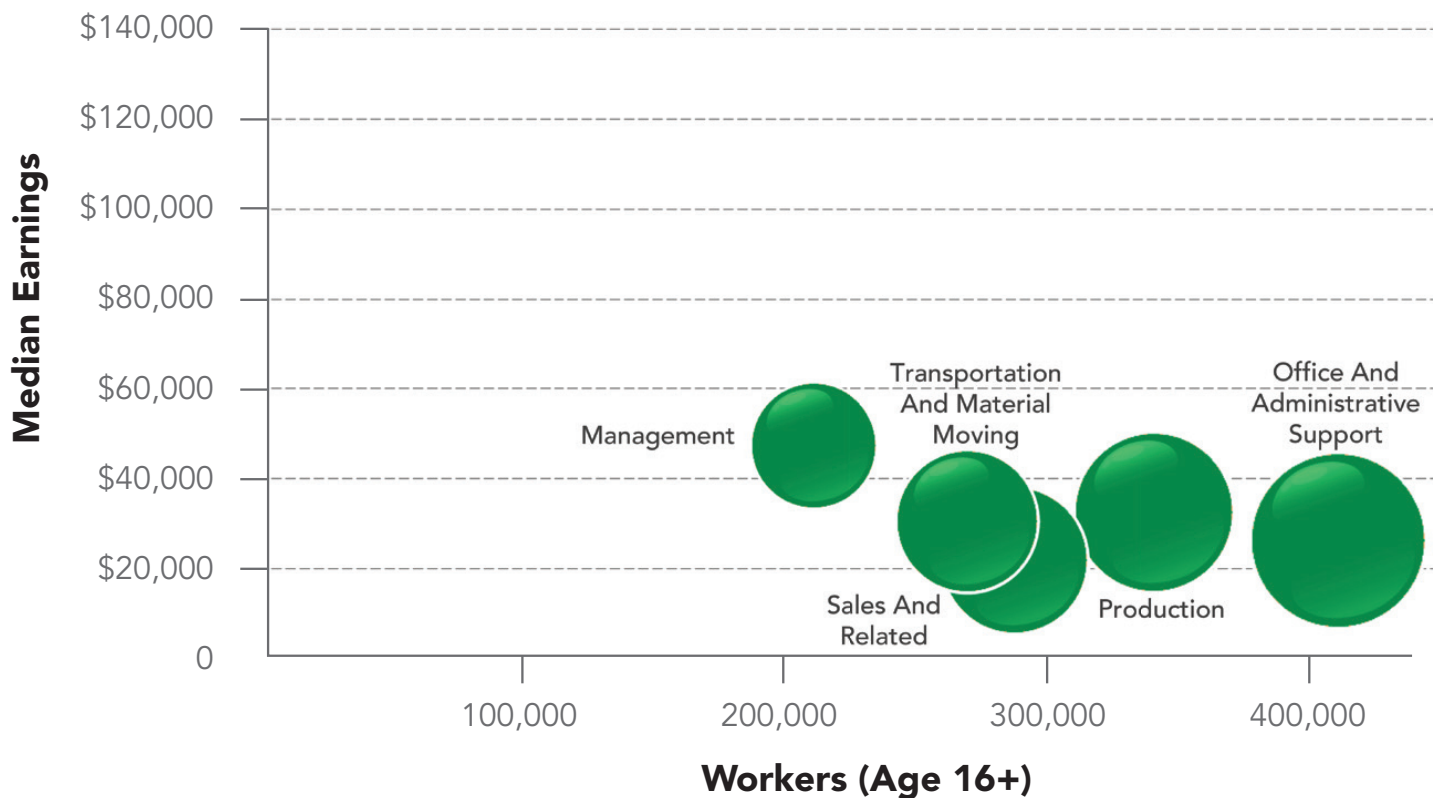
# 6F LifeMode Group: Cozy Country Living Heartland Communities

## Market Profile

- Traditional in their ways, residents of Heartland Communities choose to bank and pay their bills in person and purchase insurance from an agent.
- Most have high-speed Internet access at home or on their cell phone but aren't ready to go paperless.
- Many residents have paid off their home mortgages but still hold auto loans and student loans. Interest checking accounts are common.
- To support their local community, residents participate in public activities.
- Home remodeling is not a priority, but homeowners do tackle necessary maintenance work on their cherished homes. They have invested in riding lawn mowers to maintain their larger yards.
- They enjoy country music and watch CMT.
- Motorcycling, hunting, and fishing are popular; walking is the main form of exercise.
- To get around these semirural communities, residents prefer domestic trucks or SUVs.

## OCCUPATION BY EARNINGS

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# 12C LifeMode Group: Hometown Small Town Simplicity

**US Households:** 2,305,700  
**Average Household Size:** 2.26

**Median Age:** 40.8  
**Median Household Income:** \$31,500

## WHO ARE WE?

Small Town Simplicity includes young families and senior householders that are bound by community ties. The lifestyle is down-to-earth and semirural, with television for entertainment and news, and emphasis on convenience for both young parents and senior citizens. Residents embark on pursuits including online computer games, renting movies, indoor gardening, and rural activities like hunting and fishing. Since 1 in 4 households is below poverty level, residents also keep their finances simple—paying bills in person and avoiding debt.

## OUR NEIGHBORHOOD

- They reside in small towns or semirural neighborhoods, mostly outside metropolitan areas.
- Homes are a mix of older single-family houses (61%), apartments, and mobile homes.
- Half of all homes are owner-occupied (Index 79).
- Median home value of \$92,300 is about half the US median.
- Average rent is \$639 (Index 62).
- This is an older market, with half of the householders aged 55 years or older, and predominantly single-person households (Index 139).

## SOCIOECONOMIC TRAITS

- Education: 67% with high school diploma or some college.
- Unemployment higher at 7.7% (Index 141).
- Labor force participation lower at 52% (Index 83), which could result from lack of jobs or retirement.
- Income from wages and salaries (Index 83), Social Security (Index 133) or retirement (Index 106), increased by Supplemental Security Income (Index 183).
- Price-conscious consumers that shop accordingly, with coupons at discount centers.
- Connected, but not to the latest or greatest gadgets; keep their landlines.
- Community-orientated residents; more conservative than middle-of-the-road.
- Rely on television or newspapers to stay informed.



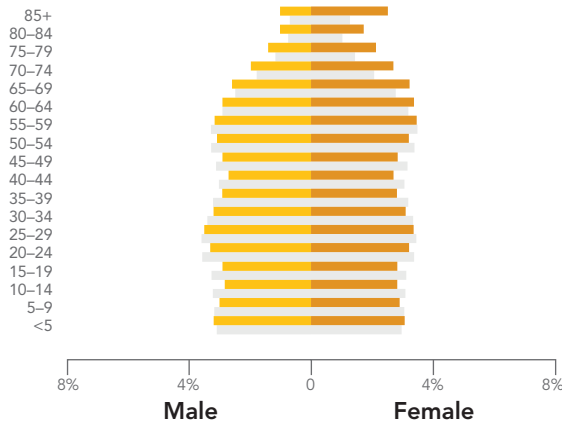
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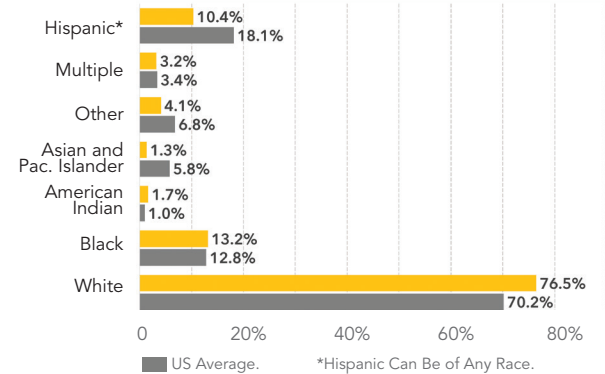
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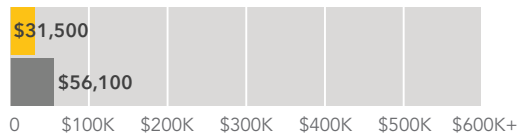
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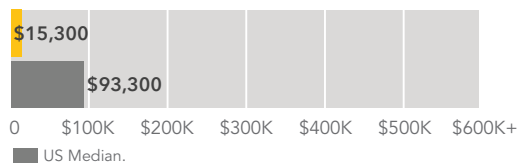
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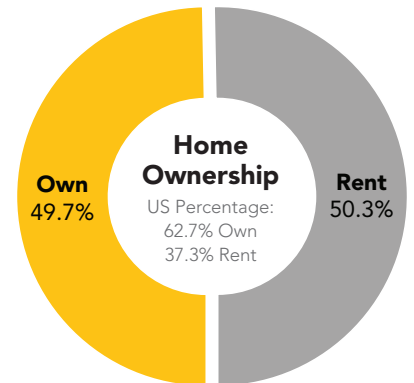
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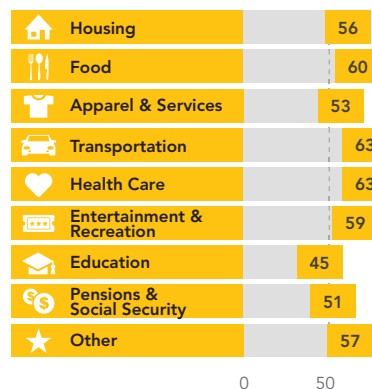
**Median Value:**  
\$92,300

US Median: \$207,300



### AVERAGE HOUSEHOLD BUDGET INDEX

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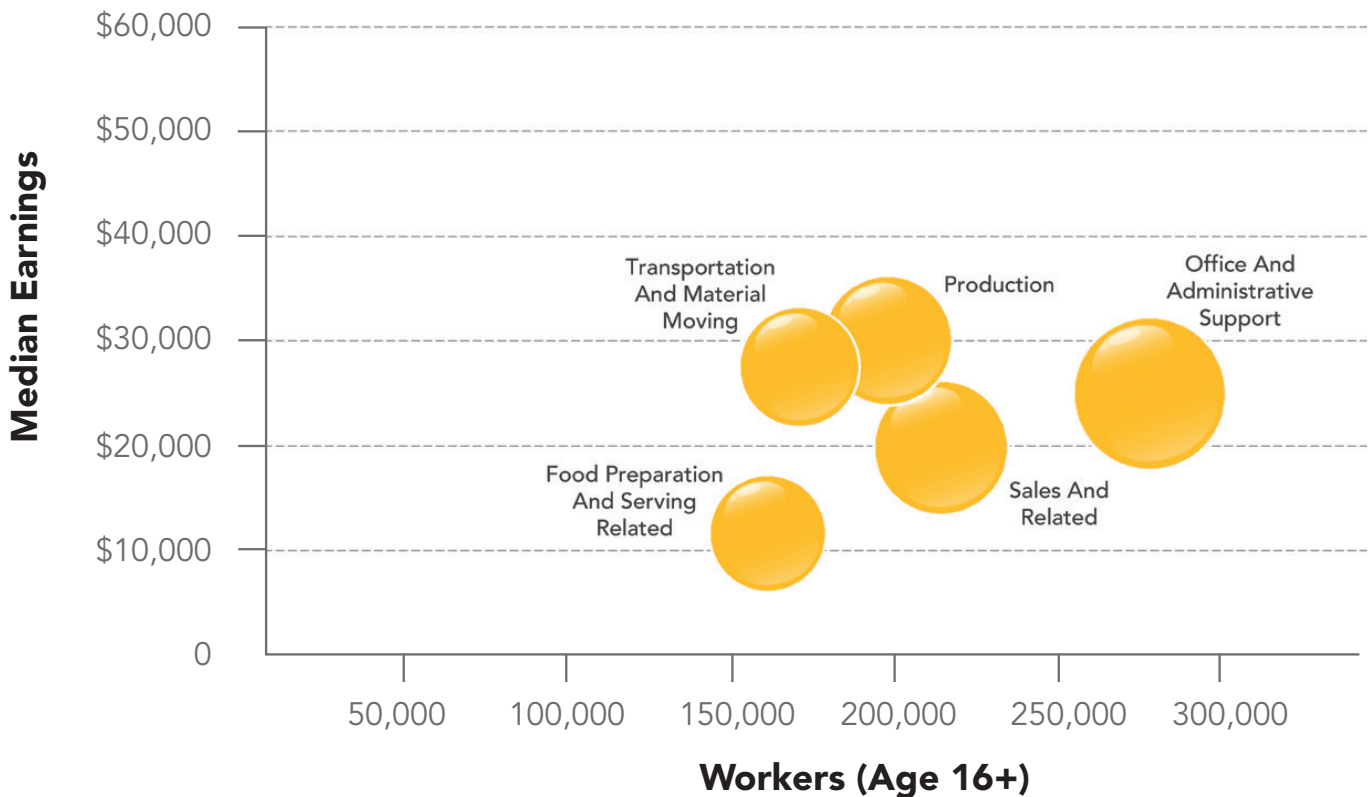
# 12C LifeMode Group: Hometown Small Town Simplicity

## Market Profile

- Small Town Simplicity features a semirural lifestyle, complete with trucks and SUVs (domestic, of course), ATVs, and vegetable gardens.
- Residents enjoy outdoor activities like hunting and fishing as well as watching NASCAR and college football and basketball on TV.
- A large senior population visit doctors and health practitioners regularly.
- However, a largely single population favors convenience over cooking—frozen meals and fast food.
- Home improvement is not a priority, but vehicle maintenance is.

## OCCUPATION BY EARNINGS

The five occupations with the highest number of workers in the market are displayed by median earnings. Data from the Census Bureau's American Community Survey.



# 6E LifeMode Group: Cozy Country Living Rural Resort Dwellers

**US Households:** 1,227,200  
**Average Household Size:** 2.22

**Median Age:** 54.1  
**Median Household Income:** \$50,400

## WHO ARE WE?

Although the Great Recession forced many owners of second homes to sell, Rural Resort Dwellers residents remain an active market, just a bit smaller. These communities are centered in resort areas, many in the Midwest, where the change in seasons supports a variety of outdoor activities. Retirement looms for many of these blue collar, older householders, but workers are postponing retirement or returning to work to maintain their current lifestyles. Workers are traveling further to maintain employment. They are passionate about their hobbies, like freshwater fishing and hunting, but otherwise have very simple tastes.

## OUR NEIGHBORHOOD

- Housing is owner-occupied, single-family homes, with some mobile homes. A strong market for second homes, these rural areas contain homes valued near the US median. Over half of the housing units are vacant due to a high seasonal vacancy rate.
- In this older market, 42% of households consist of married couples with no children at home, while another 28% are single person. Married couples with children at home have older school-age children.
- Set in scenic rural locations with proximity to outdoor activities, two vehicles are essential to get around.

## SOCIOECONOMIC TRAITS

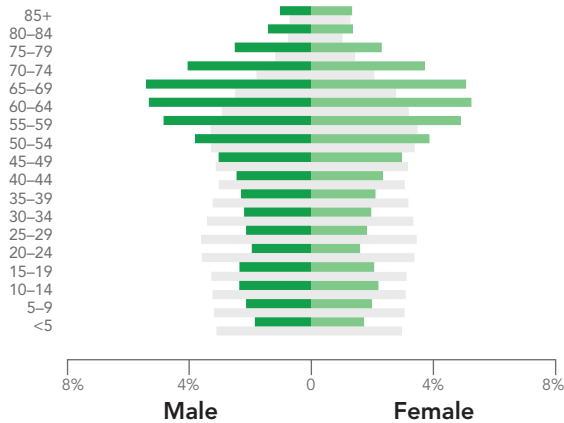
- Rural Resort Dwellers residents are close to retirement. They've accumulated wealth and begun to shift their portfolios to low-risk assets. These active residents continue to work in skilled occupations.
- Simple tastes and modesty characterize these blue collar residents. They shop for timeless, comfortable clothing, but only when something must be replaced. They pay little attention to advertising and usually stick to the brands they know.
- They spend time with their spouses and also maintain a social calendar.

# 6E LifeMode Group: Cozy Country Living Rural Resort Dwellers

## AGE BY SEX (Esri data)

**Median Age: 54.1** US: 38.2

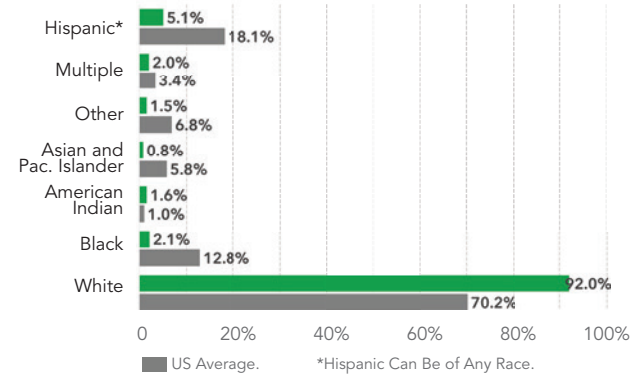
■ Indicates US



## RACE AND ETHNICITY (Esri data)

The Diversity Index summarizes racial and ethnic diversity. The index shows the likelihood that two persons, chosen at random from the same area, belong to different race or ethnic groups. The index ranges from 0 (no diversity) to 100 (complete diversity).

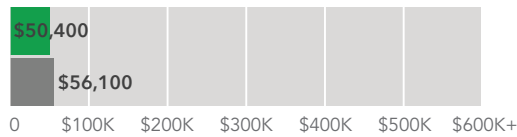
**Diversity Index: 23.4** US: 64.0



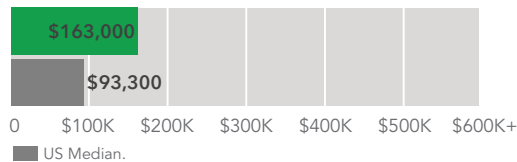
## INCOME AND NET WORTH

Net worth measures total household assets (homes, vehicles, investments, etc.) less any debts, secured (e.g., mortgages) or unsecured (credit cards). Household income and net worth are estimated by Esri.

### Median Household Income



### Median Net Worth



## HOUSING

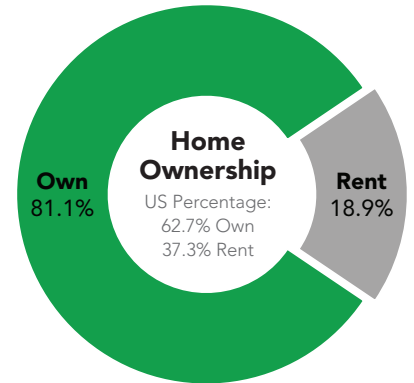
Median home value is displayed for markets that are primarily owner occupied; average rent is shown for renter-occupied markets. Tenure and home value are estimated by Esri. Housing type and average rent are from the Census Bureau's American Community Survey.



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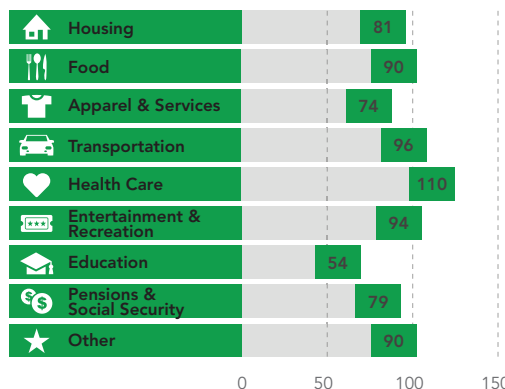
**Median Value:**  
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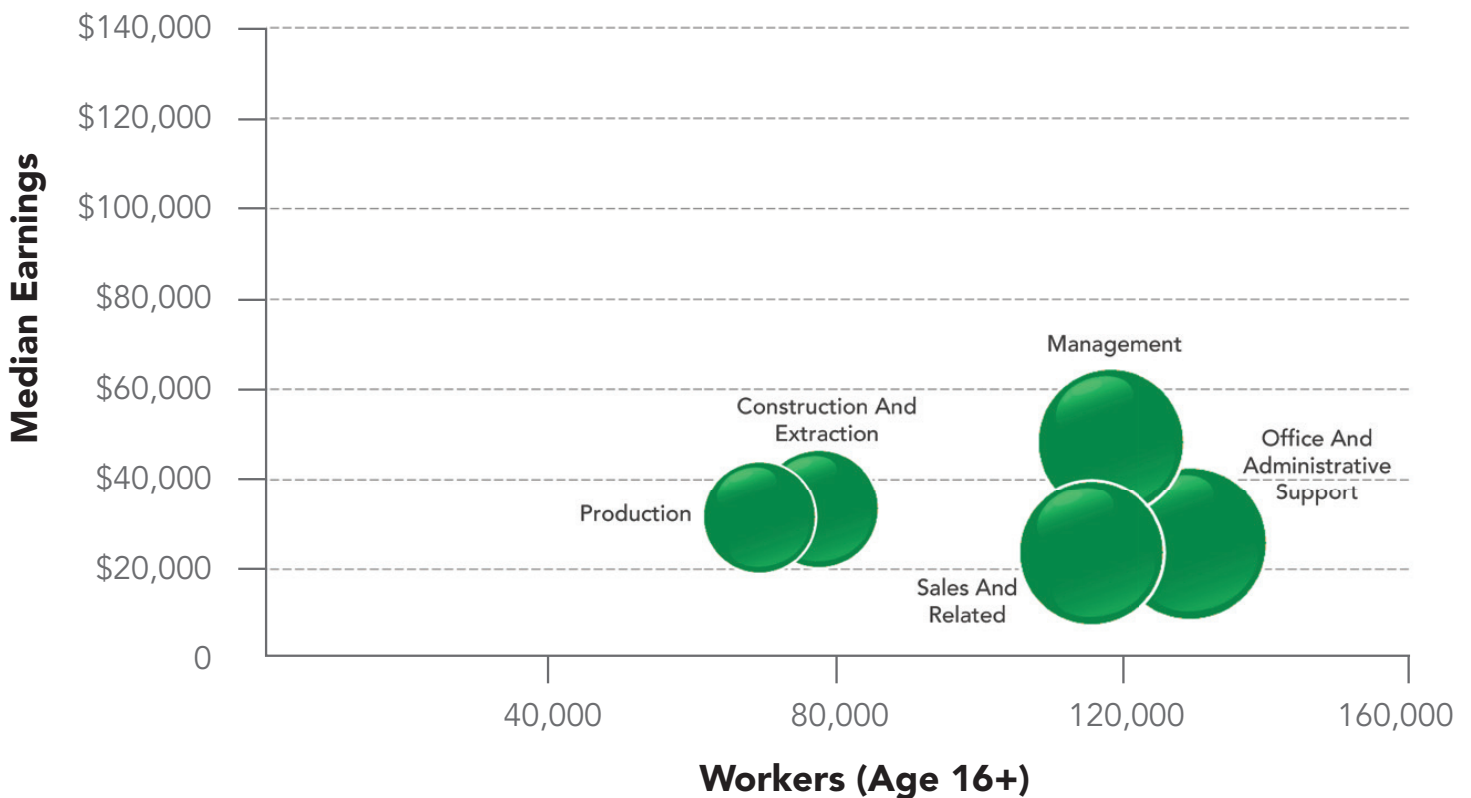
# 6E LifeMode Group: Cozy Country Living Rural Resort Dwellers

## Market Profile

- Residents drive older domestic vehicles and prefer to spend their disposable income on gear to support their hobbies, which include freshwater fishing, hunting with a rifle or shotgun, and motorcycling.
- At home, Rural Resort Dwellers residents spend any free time working on their vehicles and maintaining their gear. They make frequent trips to their local hardware store for parts and tools. These hands-on consumers are also passionate about vegetable gardening.
- Due to their remote locations, these neighborhoods have satellite dishes. A few residents still rely on dial-up modems to stay connected. They don't access the Internet often but will make online purchases for items difficult to find in nearby stores.
- Their taste in TV shows reflects their hobbies—National Geographic, Discovery Channel, and the Weather Channel.

## OCCUPATION BY EARNINGS

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The Retail Coach is a national retail recruitment and development firm that combines strategy, technology, and creative expertise to develop and deliver high-impact retail recruitment and development plans to local governments, chambers of commerce, economic development organizations and private developers.

Through its unique Retail360® Process, The Retail Coach offers a dynamic system of products and services that better enable communities to maximize their retail development potential.

## Retail:360® Process

Providing more than simple data reports of psychographic and demographic trends, The Retail Coach goes well beyond other retail consulting and market research firms' offerings by combining current national and statewide demographics and trend data with real-world, "on-the-ground" information gathered through extensive visits to our clients' communities. Every community is different, and there is no "one size fits all" retail recruitment solution. Compiling the gathered data into client-tailored information packets that are uniquely designed for, and targeted to, specific retailers and restaurants who meet the community's needs help assure our clients that they are receiving the latest and best information for targeted retail recruitment efforts – all with personal service and coaching guidance that continues beyond the initial project scope and timeline.

Our Retail:360® Process assures that communities get timely, accurate and relevant information. Translating that data into the information that retailers need and seek assures our clients even better possibilities for tremendous retail growth and success.



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