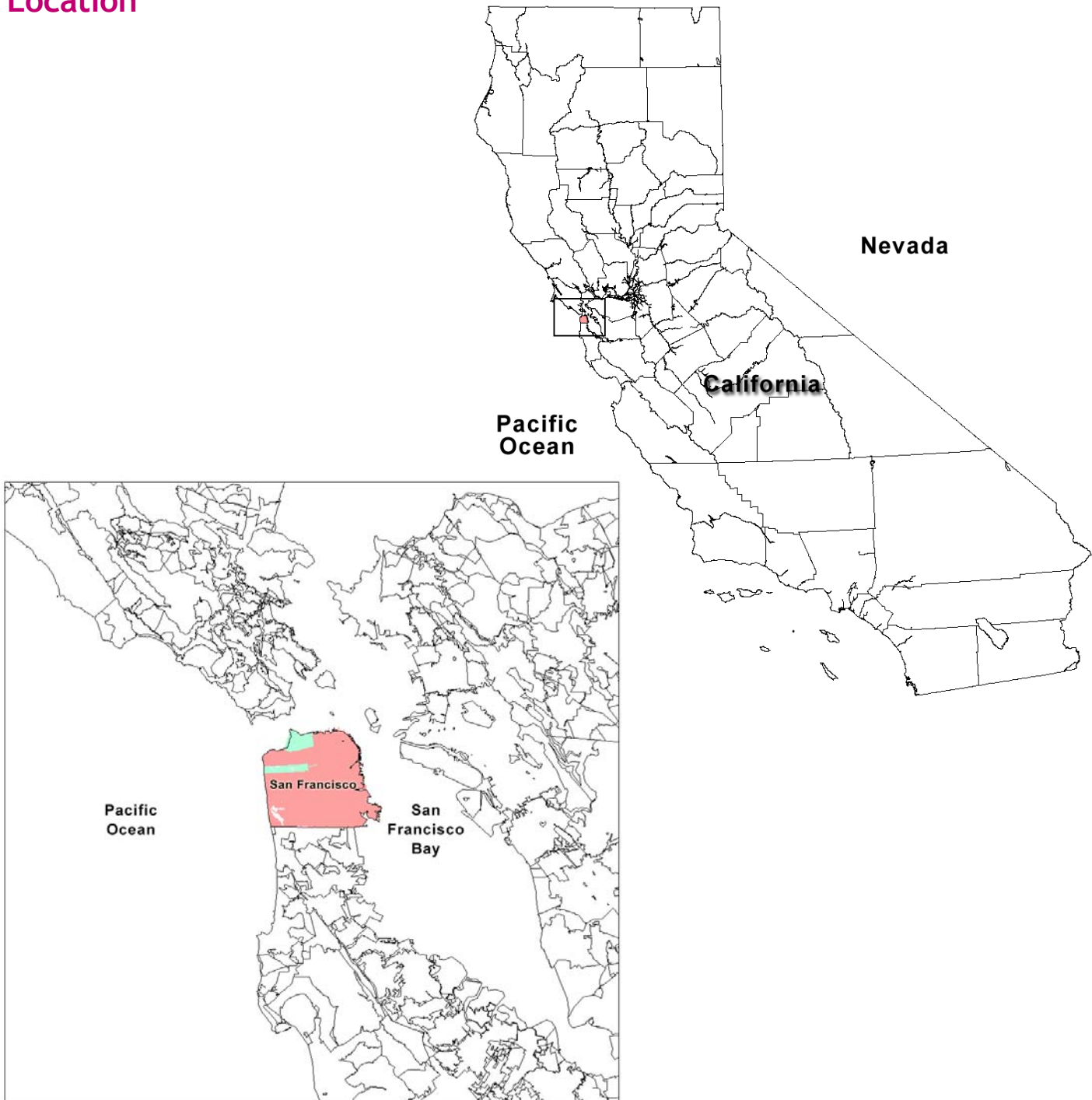


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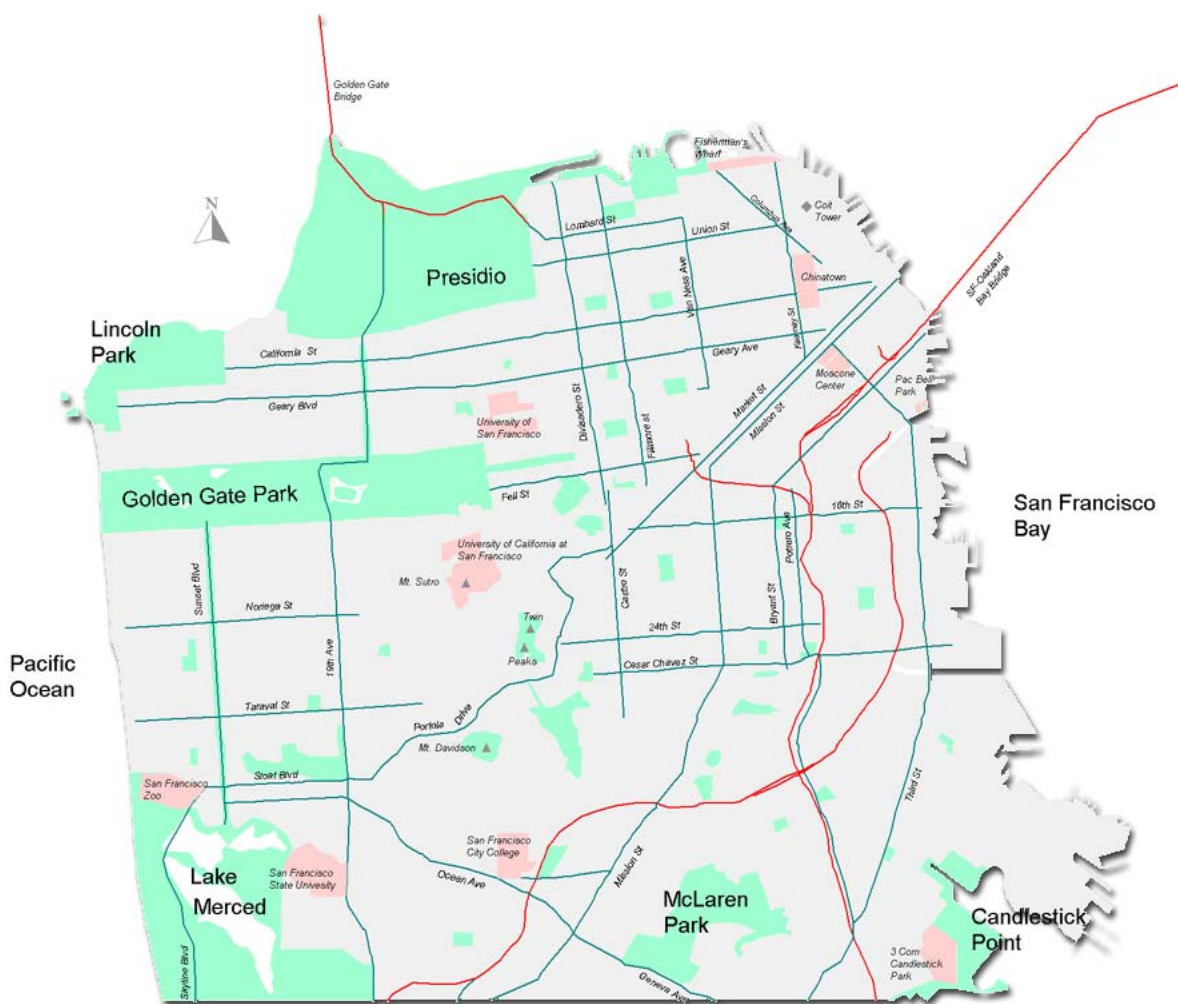
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Location



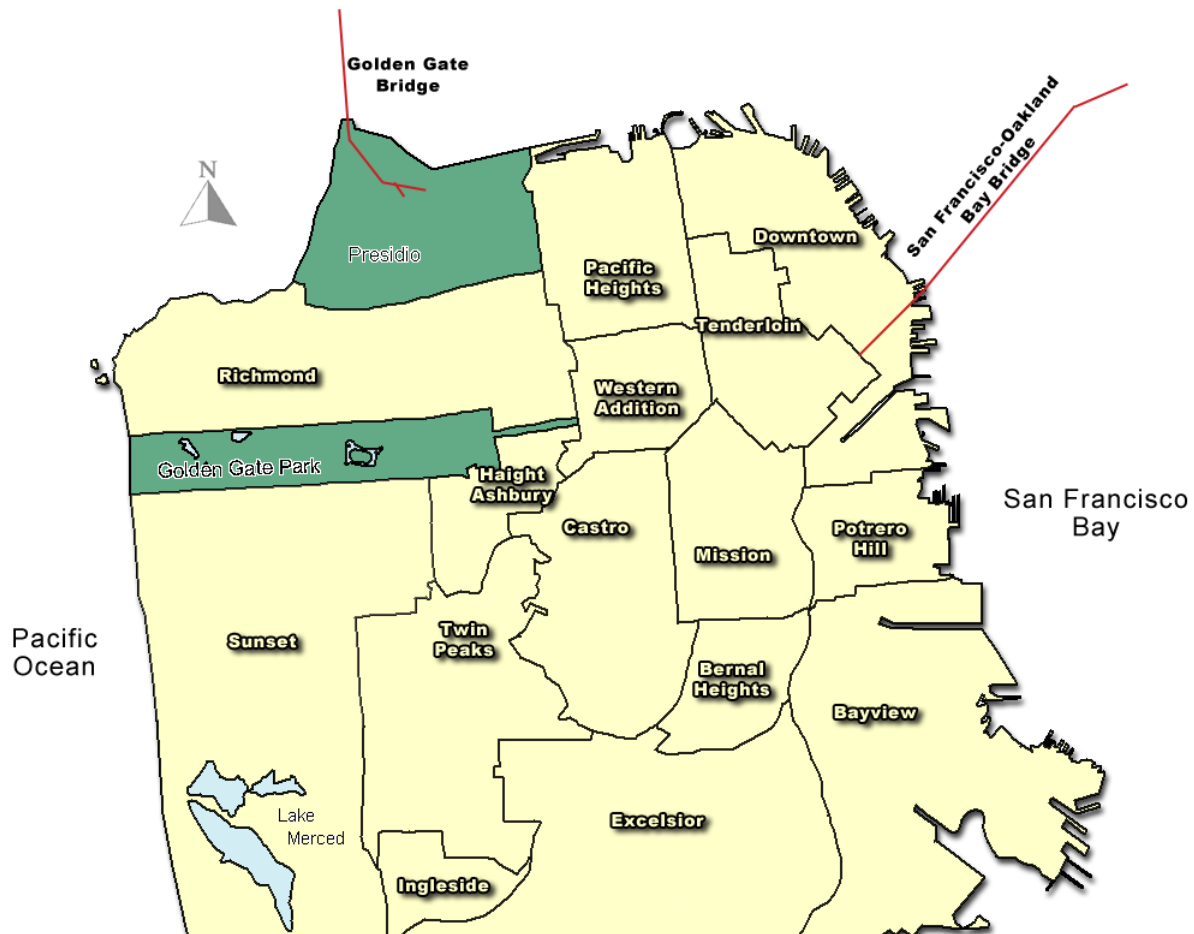
San Francisco, California, USA is located at 37° 46' north latitude, 122° 27' west longitude. The city forms the tip of a peninsula bounded by the Pacific Ocean to the west, the Golden Gate to the north, the San Francisco Bay to the east, and San Mateo county to the south. The boundaries of the city and county of San Francisco are one and the same, comprising 47 square miles roughly fitting within a 7 by 7 mile square.

Landmarks



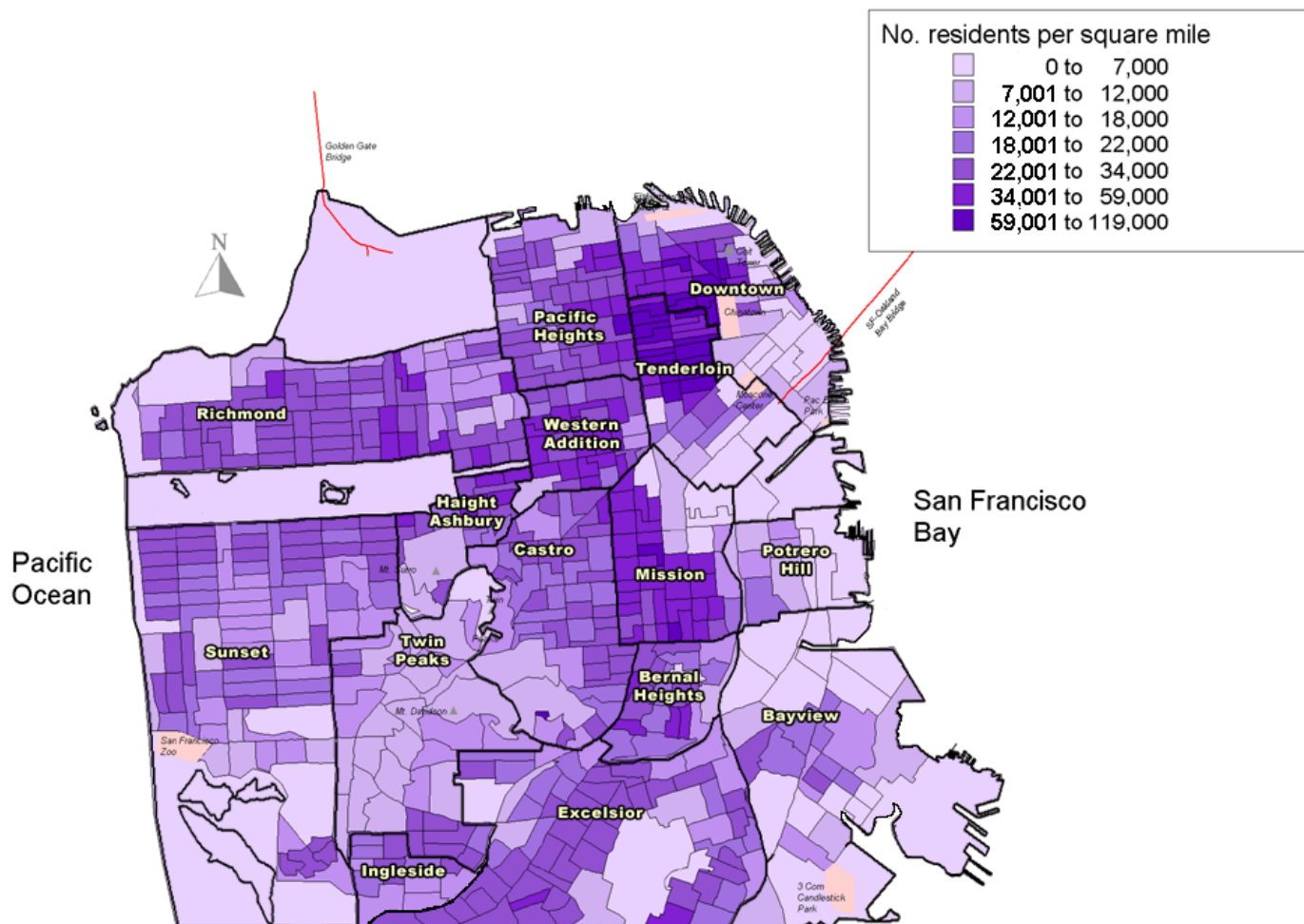
This map shows San Francisco's major geographic features, historical landmarks, and places of interest to orientate the reader to subsequent maps in this *Atlas*. In addition to an indicator of north, we selected 10 features: Golden Gate Bridge, Presidio, San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge, San Francisco Bay, Candlestick Point, McLaren Park, Lake Merced, the Pacific Ocean, Golden Gate Park, and Lincoln Park. San Francisco is hilly, the highest point being Mt. Davidson at 938 feet. Slightly lower is the more notable landmark of Twin Peaks, located near the geographic center of the city.

Neighborhoods



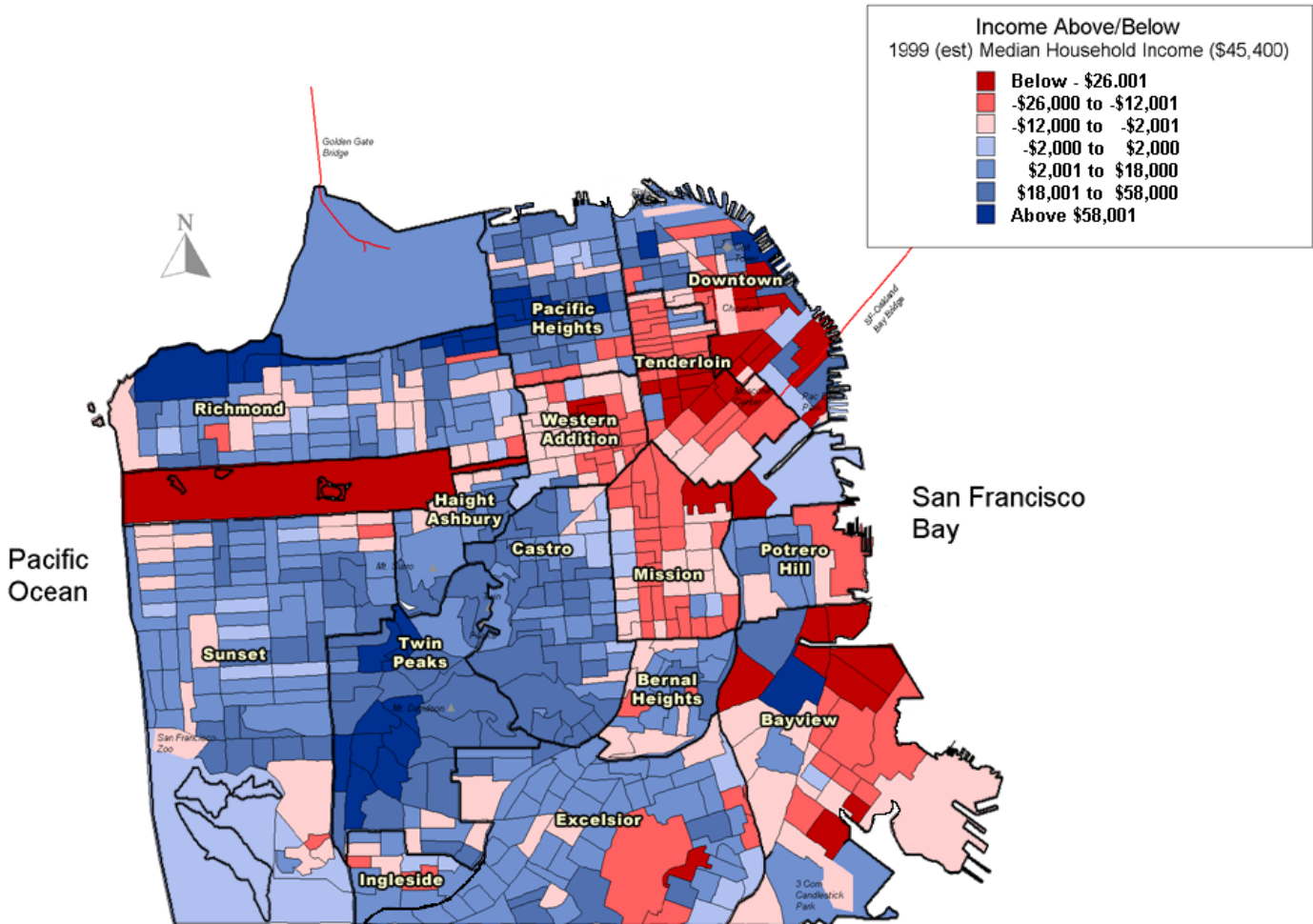
The boundaries between neighborhoods are often subjective and fluid. We have chosen to aggregate US Census block groups into 15 major neighborhoods guided by history, real estate maps, tourist guide books, and local convention. We attempted to capture boundaries that approximate demographic and cultural similarities. To the 15 major neighborhoods we attached varying numbers of sub-neighborhoods with particular focus on those that feature strongly in the HIV/AIDS epidemic. We anticipate that interpretations of San Francisco neighborhood boundaries may differ and change over time.

Population density



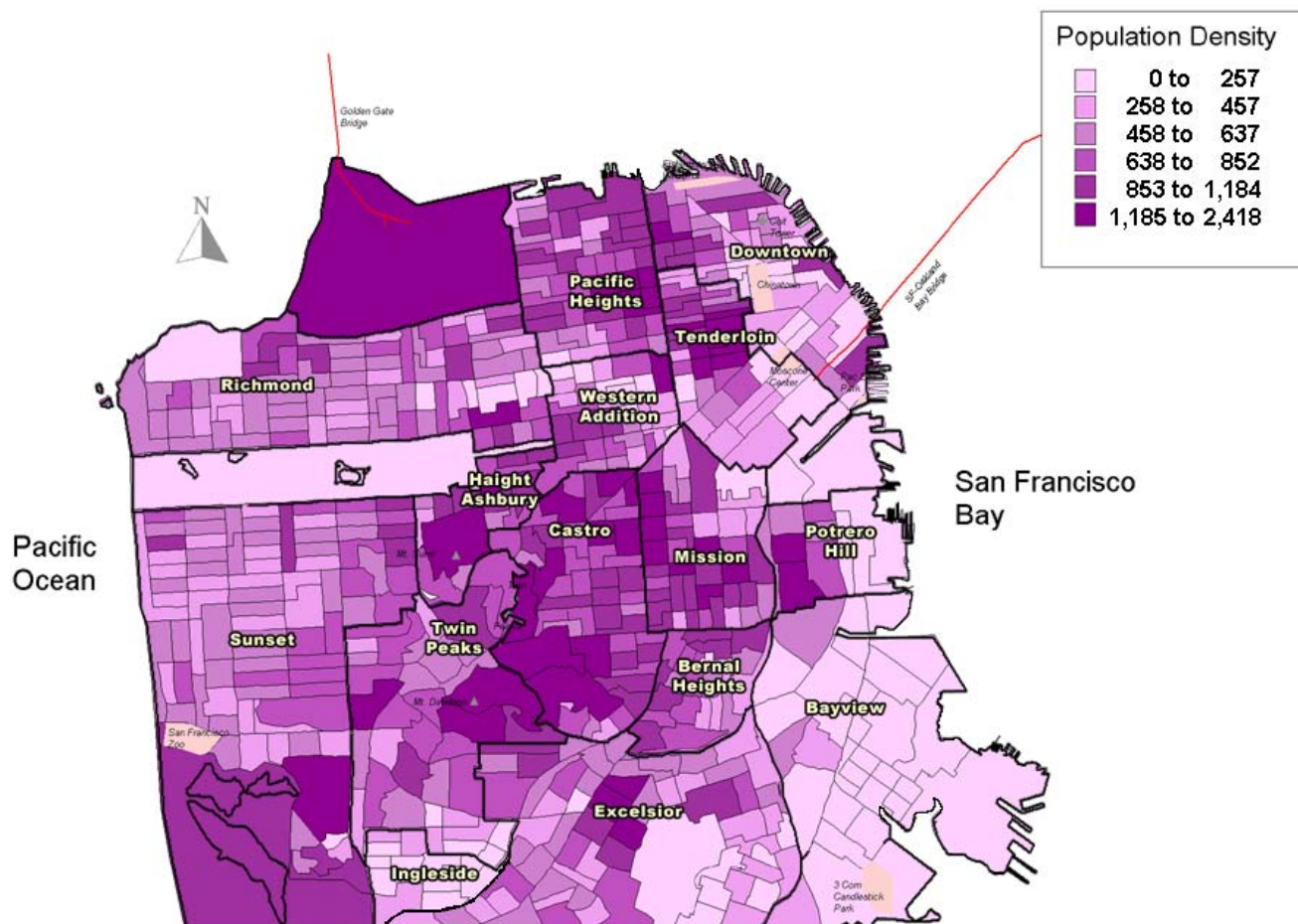
As of the 2000 US Census, there were 776,733 residents of San Francisco making the 47 square mile city one of the most densely inhabited places in North America. The nine county San Francisco Bay Area (Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, Napa, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Solano, and Sonoma) has roughly 6.8 million people. The most densely inhabited neighborhoods within San Francisco include Tenderloin, Western Addition, Mission, and parts of Downtown. More sparsely inhabited areas include the residential southwest quadrant and the eastern margin of the city with warehouses and light industry.

Median household income



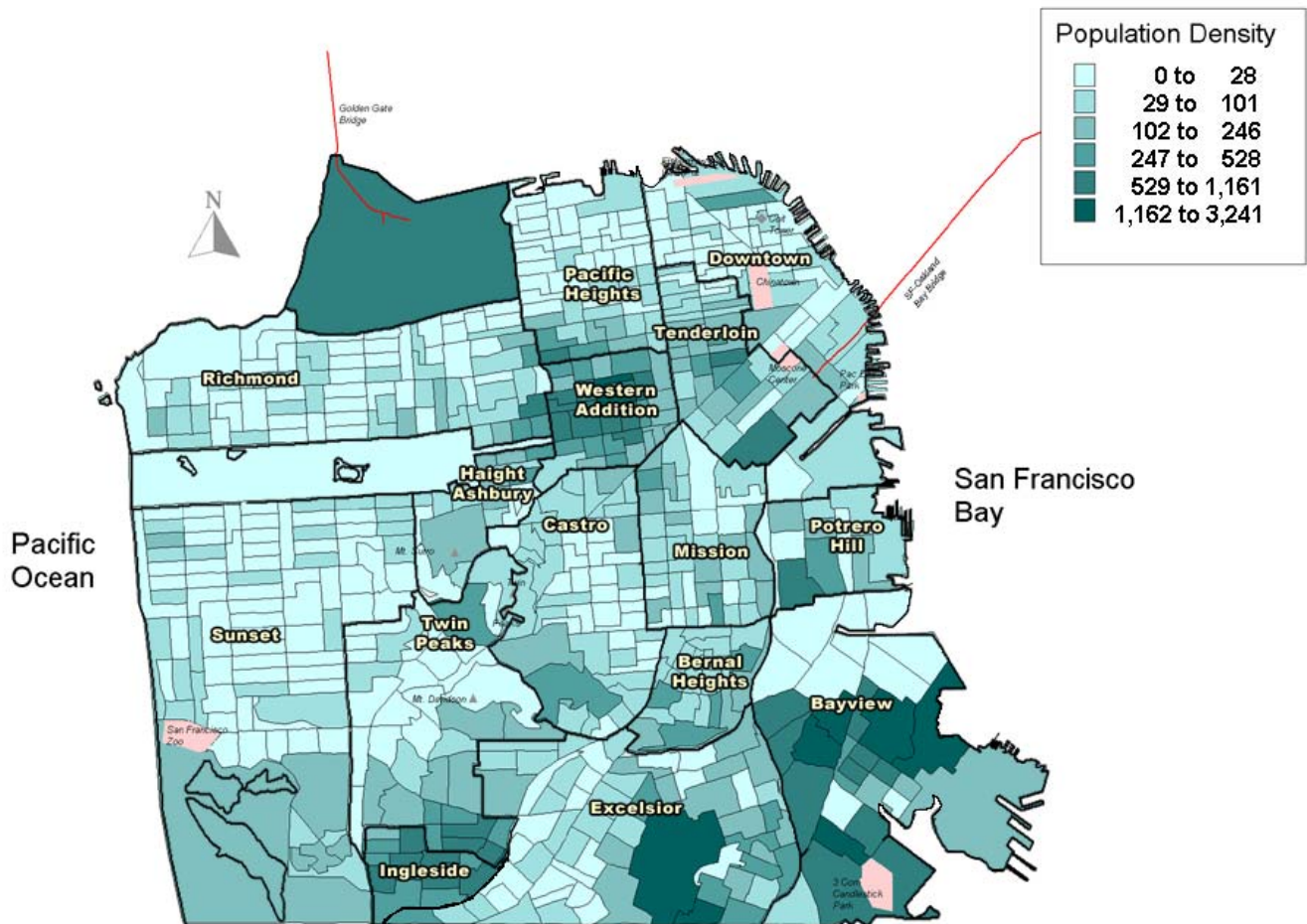
This map illustrates median household income by block group. Block groups in red portray areas below the overall median household income for San Francisco of \$45,000. The poorest neighborhoods are located in an inner-city band extending from Tenderloin, and parts of Downtown in the northeast, through Mission, to Bayview and parts of Excelsior in the southeast. The wealthiest neighborhoods, shown in blue, include residential areas in the western side of the city, including Pacific Heights in the north, through areas of Sunset/Richmond in the west, to Twin Peaks in the southwest. Potrero Hill, Bernal Heights, Ingleside, and parts of Sunset/Richmond show sharp disparities in household income by block group.

Race/ethnicity



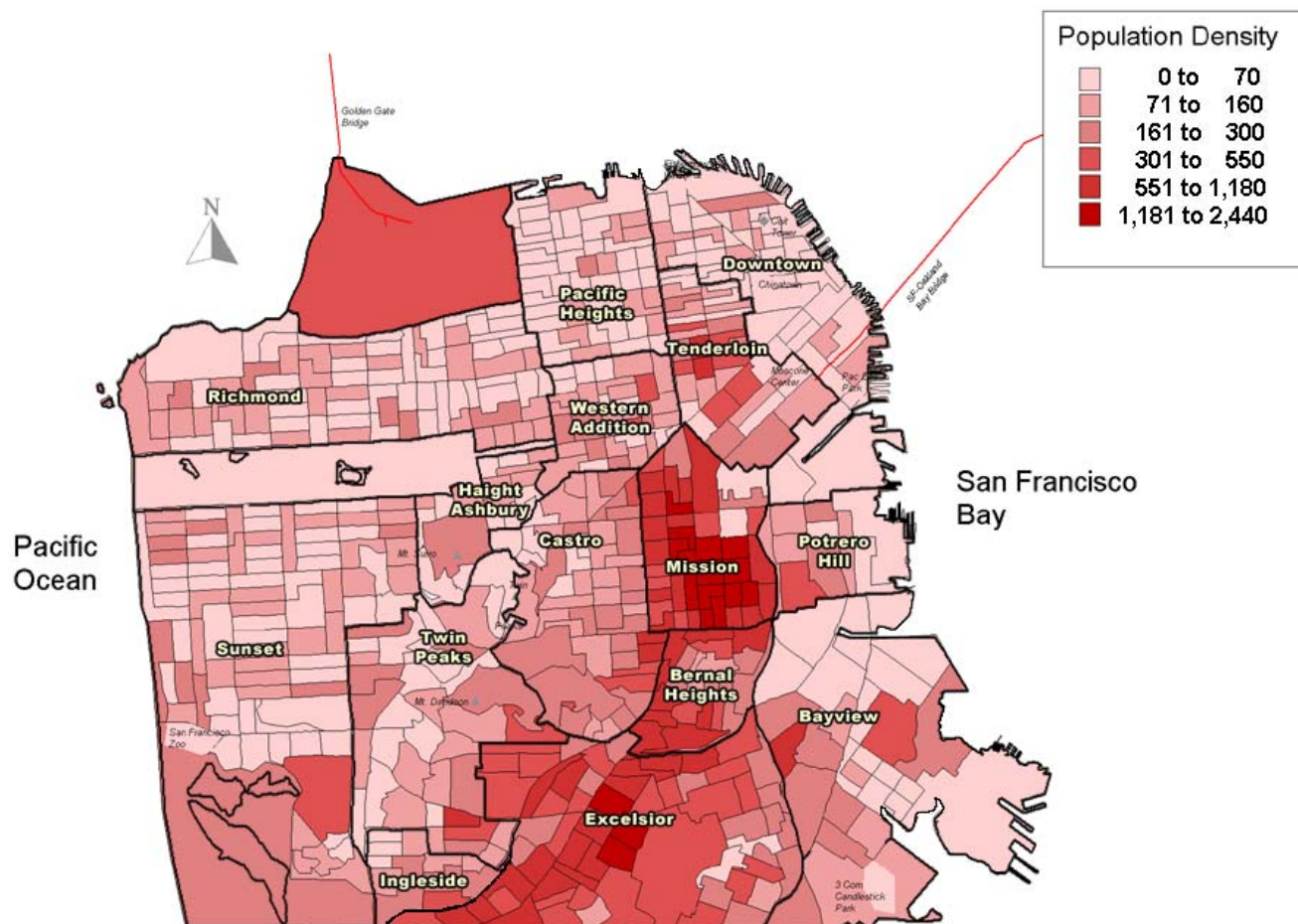
Whites

The 2000 US Census records 385,728 whites in San Francisco, 49.7% of the total population. Whites comprise the largest racial/ethnic group but do not form a majority. Whites are concentrated in a relatively upper-income residential zone extending from Pacific Heights in the northeast, through Castro, Haight Ashbury, and Twin Peaks in the center, to the southwest corner of the city.



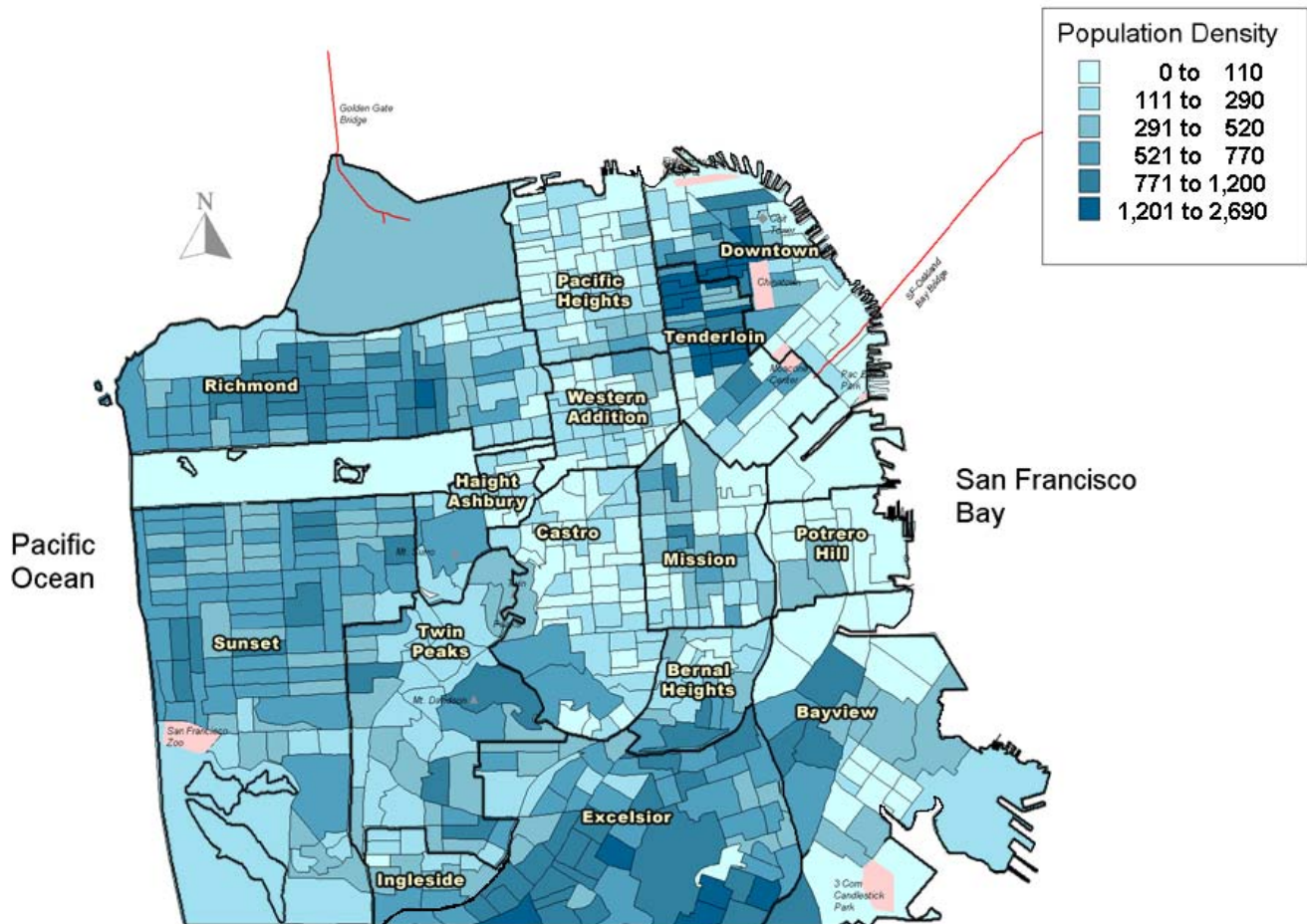
African Americans

The 2000 US Census records 60,515 African Americans in San Francisco, 7.8% of the total population. Neighborhoods with large African American communities tend to be lower-income, inner-city areas, including Bayview, Excelsior, Ingleside, and Potrero Hill in the southeast, and Western Addition and Tenderloin in the northeast.



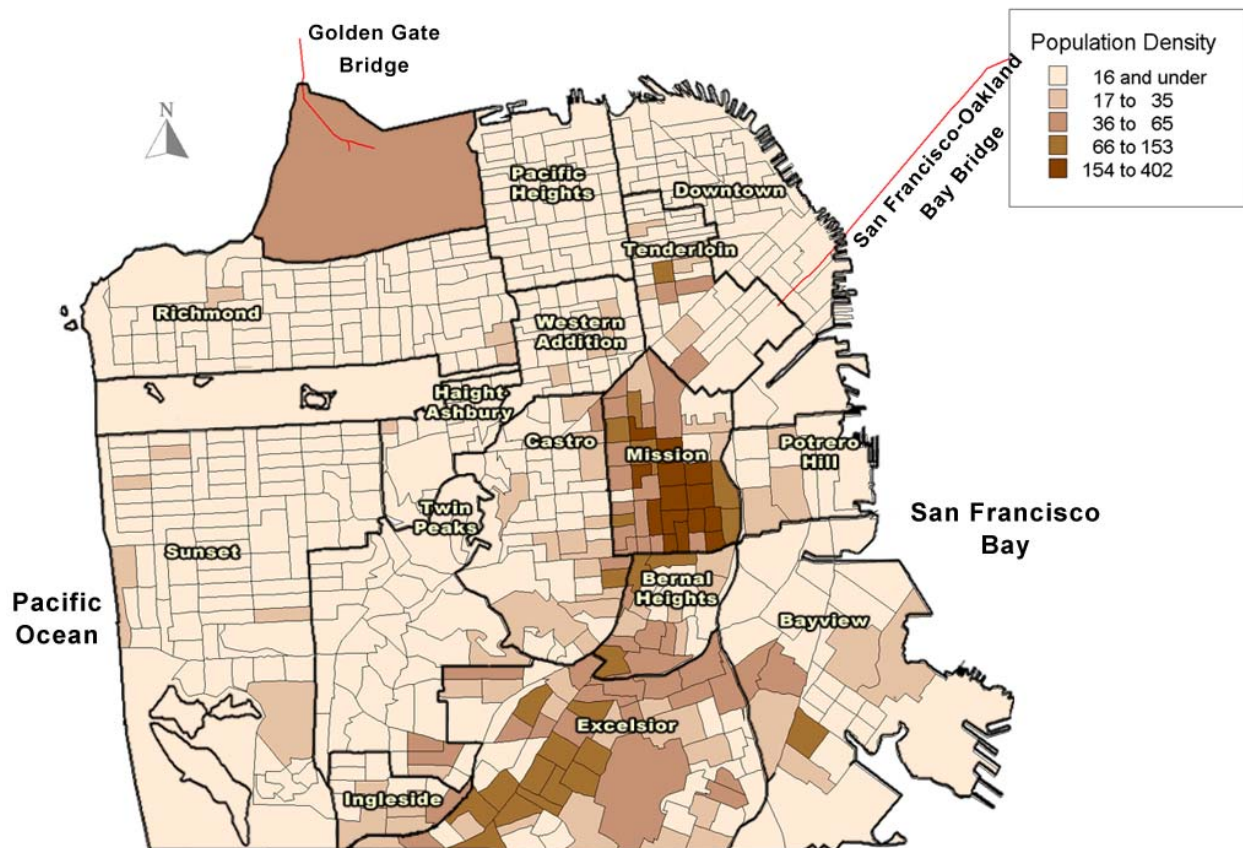
Latinos

Latinos (or “Hispanics”) can be of any race and are included in the other maps in this section. The 2000 US Census records 109,504 Latinos in San Francisco, 14.1% of the total population. Undocumented immigrants are likely to be undercounted. The largest ethnic group by national origin is Mexican, 44.9% of the Latino population, followed by persons from Central American countries. Latino communities are concentrated in an inner-city, lower-income band extending from Tenderloin in the north, through Mission and Bernal Heights, to Excelsior in the south.



Asian/Pacific Islanders

Asian/Pacific Islanders constitute the second largest racial/ethnic group in San Francisco, 243,409 or 31.3% of the total population according to the 2000 US Census. Undocumented immigrants are likely to be undercounted. The grouping is heterogeneous by ethnicity and national origin. Chinese constitute the largest ethnic group (62.7%), followed by Filipino (16.5%), and Vietnamese (4.4%). Of 3,844 Pacific Islanders in San Francisco, Samoans make up the largest ethnicity (60.1%), followed by Native Hawaiians (12.3%). Socio-economic status of Asian/Pacific Islanders is also heterogeneous. Asian/Pacific Islanders are concentrated in the lower-income neighborhoods of the Tenderloin in the northeast and Excelsior and Bayview in the south. There are also large numbers of Asian/Pacific Islander residing in middle- to upper- income areas of Sunset/Richmond.



Other and Unknown Race/Ethnicity

The 2000 census records 3,458 persons of Native American or other race/ethnicity in San Francisco, 0.4% of the total population. The geographic distribution of person of other race/ethnicities follows an inner-city, lower-income band extending from Tenderloin in the north, through Mission and Bernal Heights, to Excelsior in the south.