

A Detailed Town Report of:

# Ridgewood, NJ 07451



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## Town Information

<b>Town Name:</b>	Ridgewood
<b>City Hall:</b>	Ridgewood Village Hall
<b>Address:</b>	131 North Maple Avenue, Ridgewood NJ 07451
<b>Phone Number:</b>	201-670-5500
<b>Government:</b>	Council Manager, Optional Municipal Charter Law, 1950
<b>Type:</b>	Village
<b>Police Employees:</b>	45
<b>Population:</b>	
<b>Crime Rate (per 1000 people):</b>	
<b>Persons Per Sq Mile:</b>	
<b>Distance to NYC:</b>	15 miles
<b>Website:</b>	<a href="http://www.Ridgewoodnj.net">www.Ridgewoodnj.net</a>

### Parks:

A full time recreation director is employed by the village. Facilities include Graydon Park Municipal Pool, tennis courts, wild duck pond, Veteran's Field, County Park, & playgrounds are located at Ridge, Travel, & Somerville Schools.

4th of July Celebration celebrated for over 80 Years. Ridgewood Art Institute (Art Barn): 201-652-9615, 12 East Glen Avenue. Kasschau Memorial Shell: 201-670-3924, 401 Overbrook Road. YMCA & YWCA



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### Town History:

Ridgewood is almost a six square mile village in Northeastern Bergen County, Fifteen miles from New York City. It was originally the home of the Leni-Lenape Indians; Dutch settlers followed. When the Paterson and Ramapo laid tracks and established a station wealthy New Yorkers looking for summer recreation built estates in the area, and eventually became year-round residents. Today, Ridgewood has a population of over twenty-four thousand residents, thriving business district, hospital, and a nationally recognized school system.

### Town Meetings:

None listed.

### Real Estate Ordinances:

A permit is necessary for \$10 per month which is renewable at the expiration date. The village requires the installation & inspection of smoke detectors prior to the sale, rental, transfer, or lease of a single & two family dwellings.

### Public Library

<b>Address:</b>	125 North Maple Avenue
<b>Phone Number:</b>	201-670-5600
<b>Hours:</b>	M-Th: 9 - 9, F/Sat: 9 - 5, Sun: 1 - 5
<b>Director:</b>	Nancy Greene
<b>Number of Books:</b>	95,400



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## Education & School Information

### Public Schools

Supt. of Schools: 670-2700, Located at 49 Cottage Pl.

#### ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS:

Hawes School: 670-2720, Located at 531 Steven's Avenue

Orchard School: 670-2730, Located at 230 Demarest Avenue

Ridge School: 670-2740, Located at 325 W Ridgewood Avenue

Somerville School: 670-2750, Located at 45 South Pleasant Avenue

Travel School: 670-2750, Located at 340 Bogert Avenue

Willard School: 670-2770, Located at 601 Morningside Avenue

#### MIDDLE SCHOOLS:

Benjamin Franklin Middle School: 670-2780, Located at 335 North Van Dien Avenue

George Washington Middle School: 670-2790, Located at 155 Washington Place

#### HIGH SCHOOL:

Ridgewood High School: 670-280, Located at 627 East Ridgewood Avenue

Ridgewood Community School: 670-2777

Average Class Size	2003-2004	
	School	State
Pre-K		13.5
Kindergarten	13.0	19.1
Grade 1	17.7	19.5
Grade 2	16.7	19.7
Grade 3	17.0	20.3
Grade 4	18.3	20.7
Grade 5	15.3	21.7
Grade 6	22.6	22.2
Grade 7	23.2	22.0
Grade 8	22.0	21.8
Grade 9	25.3	21.3
Grade 10	24.9	21.2
Grade 11	24.2	20.1
Grade 12	21.0	20.2
Special Ed. (Ungraded)		9.3
<b>Total School</b>	23.8	19.4



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## School Information

### Length of School Day - High School:

(Amount of time school is in session on a normal school day)

<b>School:</b>	7 hours: 11 minutes
<b>State Average:</b>	6 hours: 34 minutes
<b>Instructional Time:</b>	
<b>School:</b>	6 hours: 06 minutes
<b>State Average:</b>	5 hours: 30 minutes

### Length of School Day - Middle School:

(Amount of time school is in session on a normal school day)

<b>School:</b>	6 hours: 15 minutes
<b>State Average:</b>	6 hours: 25 minutes
<b>Instructional Time:</b>	
<b>School:</b>	5 hours: 15 minutes
<b>State Average:</b>	5 hours: 32 minutes

### Student/Computer Ratio:

(Numbers of students per computer available for the purposes of supervised instruction)

	High School	State Average	Middle School	State Average
<b>2001-02</b>	4.2	4.0	3.3	4.7
<b>2002-03</b>	4.3	3.9	3.4	4.4
<b>2003-04</b>	4.5	3.7	3.1	4.1

### Internet Connectivity ( Ridgewood High School)

(Percents of room locations in the school that have access to the Internet)

	2002-03		2003-04	
	School	State Avg.	School	State Avg.
<b>Locations</b>				
Classroom	93.2%	94.1%	100%	96.1%
Library/Media Ctrs	100%	99.9%	100%	94.7%
Computer Labs	100%	90.5%	100%	96.5%
All Locations	93.8%	95.2%	100%	96.1%

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<b>Locations</b>				
Classroom	100%	95.2%	100%	96.0%
Library/Media Ctrs	100%	98.0%	100%	98.3%
Computer Labs	100%	98.2%	100%	99.3%
All Locations	100%	95.8%	100%	96.5%

### Language Diversity: (High School)

(First language spoken at home in order of frequency)

<b>English</b>	84.5%
<b>Japanese</b>	2.0%
<b>Korean</b>	7.5%
<b>Spanish</b>	1.5%
<b>Mandarin</b>	0.7%
<b>Russian</b>	0.5%
<b>Pilipino</b>	0.5%
<b>Others</b>	2.8%

### Language Diversity: (Middle School)

(First language spoken at home in order of frequency)

<b>English</b>	89.1%
<b>Korean</b>	4.1%
<b>Spanish</b>	1.7%
<b>Cantonese</b>	0.7%
<b>French</b>	0.7%
<b>Others</b>	3.7%



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## High School Information

### Advanced Placement Participation

	School	State Average
2001 - 02	22.3%	15.7%
2002 - 03	25.3%	15.8%
2003 - 04	92.5%	28.8%

### Graduation Rate:

	School	State Average
Class of 2003 (2002 - 03)	97.5%	89.4%
Class of 2004 (2003 - 04)	97.9%	90.6%

### Post Graduation Plans

(Percentage of graduating seniors pursuing various self-reported post-high school plans)

Intended Pursuits	Class of 2003	Class of 2004
Four-year College/University	84.1%	87.0%
Two-year College	6.4%	8.4%
Other College	3.5%	
Other Post-secondary School	2.0%	0.8%
Military		0.8%
Full-time Employment	3.0%	2.9%
Part-time Employment		
Unemployed		
Other	1.0%	0.1%

### Dropout Rates

#### 2003 - 04

Percentage of students in grades 9-12 who dropped out during the school year	School	State
White	0.3%	1.1%
Black	0.0%	3.5%
Asian & Pacific Islander	0.4%	0.7%
American Indian & Alaska Native	0.0%	5.3%
Hispanic	2.6%	3.9%
Male	0.3%	2.2%
Female	0.5%	1.6%
<b>Total:</b>	0.4%	1.9%

### Student Expulsions

(Number of students who were expelled)

	School	State Average
2001 - 02	0	97
2002 - 03	0	82
2003 - 04	0	102

### Student Suspensions

(Percentage of students who were suspended)

	School	State Average
2001 - 02	16.9%	14.2%
2002 - 03	15.2%	14.2%
2003 - 04	12.3%	14.8%

School Information Furnished by The New Jersey Department of Education at <http://education.state.nj.us>



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## Services Information

### Utilities and Services

<b>Water:</b>	Village of Ridgewood
<b>Gas &amp; Electric:</b>	P.S.E.& G.
<b>Health:</b>	Valley Hospital, 223 N.Van Dien St., Ridgewood, NJ 07450
<b>Sanitation:</b>	Everyone residing in the village is required to recycle. The following must be recycled: clothing (reusable/new), copier & laser printer cartridges, aluminum foil & trays, lead acid, (auto) batteries & tires.

### Houses of Worship

- .M.E. Zion Church (Located on South Broad Street & Highwood Avenue)
- Bethlehem Evangelical Lutheran Church
- Christ Church Episcopal: 201-652-2350 (Located at 105 Cottage Pl.)
- First Church of Christ Scientist (Located on Prospect Street)
- First Presbyterian Church: 201-652-2504 (Located at 722 East Ridgewood Avenue)
- First Reformed Church: 201-652-3952 (Located at 303 Prospect Avenue)
- Emanuel Baptist Church: 201-444-1333 (Located at 14 Hope)
- Grace Church: 201-444-0123 (Located at Meadowbrook and Libby Avenues)
- Reorganized Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints: 201-652-7954 (Located at 137 Doremus avenue)
- Mt. Bethel Baptist Church: 201-445-9108 (Located on South Broad)
- Mt. Caramel Roman Catholic Church: 201-447-2043 (Located at 1 Passaic)
- Old Paramus Roman Catholic Church of Ridgewood: 201-444-5933 (Located at 303 Prospect avenue)
- Ridgewood Christian Reformed Church: 201-445-1832 (Located at Lincoln and West End Avenues)
- Ridgewood Methodist Church: 201-652-2868 (Located at 100 Dayton Avenue)
- Saint Elizabeth's Episcopal Church: 201-444-2299 (Located at 169 Fairmont Avenue)
- Unitarian Church: 201-444-6225 (Located at 113 Cottage Place)
- Upper Ridgewood Community Church: 201-445-4082 (Located on Fairmont & Hillcrest Roads)
- Westside Presbyterian Church: 201-652-1966 (Located at 6 South Monroe)
- Temple Israel & Jewish Community Center: 201-444-9320 (Located on Grove Street)

### Transportation Information

<b>Railroads:</b>	NJ Transit, Amtrak
<b>Buses:</b>	NJ Transit, Red & Tan
<b>Major Highways:</b>	9W, Palisades Interstate Parkway, Route 4, Route 17, Garden State Parkway, NJ Turnpike
<b>Airports:</b>	Newark, Kennedy, LaGuardia
<b>Commuter Information:</b>	Taxi service available from Ridgewood Taxi Service and Ridgewood Taxi & Limousine Service. Conrail to Hoboken (P.A.T.H. to New York City). Short Line Bus Service to the Port Authority of 178th Street via Franklin Turnpike or Route 17. Intercity Bus Port Authority or 178th Street. Local: Associated Bus Transport of N.J., cross country bus line.



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## Activities & Groups Information

### Miscellaneous Information

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### Town Groups

Ridgewood Chamber of Commerce	Ridgewood Colombian Club
Ridgewood Gilbert & Sullivan Opera Company	American Legion Post #53
American Red Cross	Blood Donors Association
Boy Scouts of America	Community Meals
Family Counseling Center	Elks BPO
Community Relations	Knights of Columbus
Lions Club	Project Pride
Project Smile	Rotary Club AM
Rotary Club PM	Social Service Association
Wildscape Service Association	YMCA / YWCA
Ridgewood Arts Council	Cavaliers
Share	Youth Council
NJ Council of Navy League of US	North West Center for Food Action in NJ
Girl Scouts	Jamboree
Kasschau	Memorial Shell Committee
College Club of Ridgewood	First Night
FISH	League of Women Voters



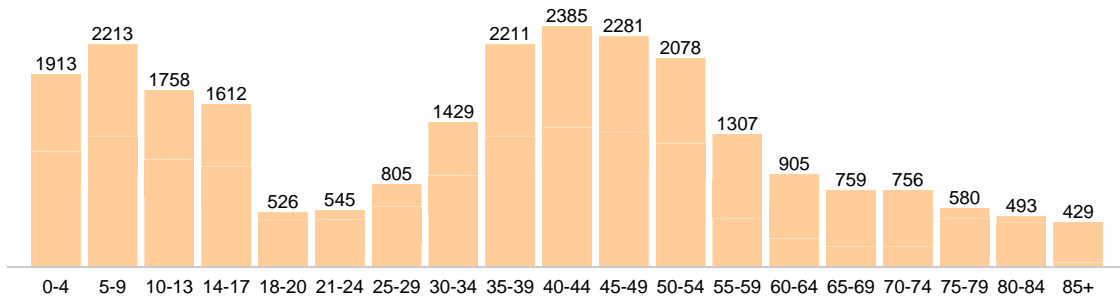
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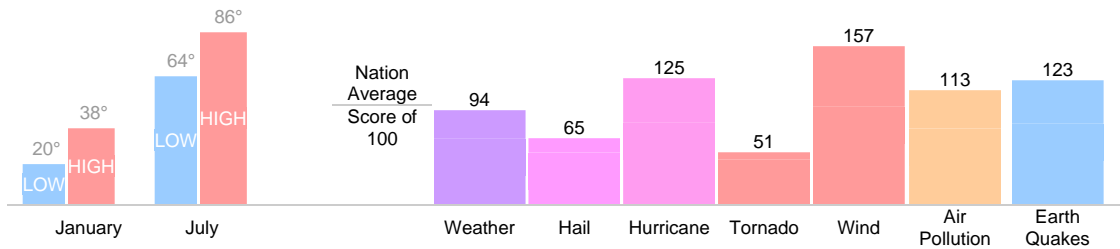
## Age Demographic

Age Demographic provides a snapshot of the ages of people living in this neighborhood. The number at the top of each bar graph is used to show how many people fall into the age range shown at the bottom of the bar graph.



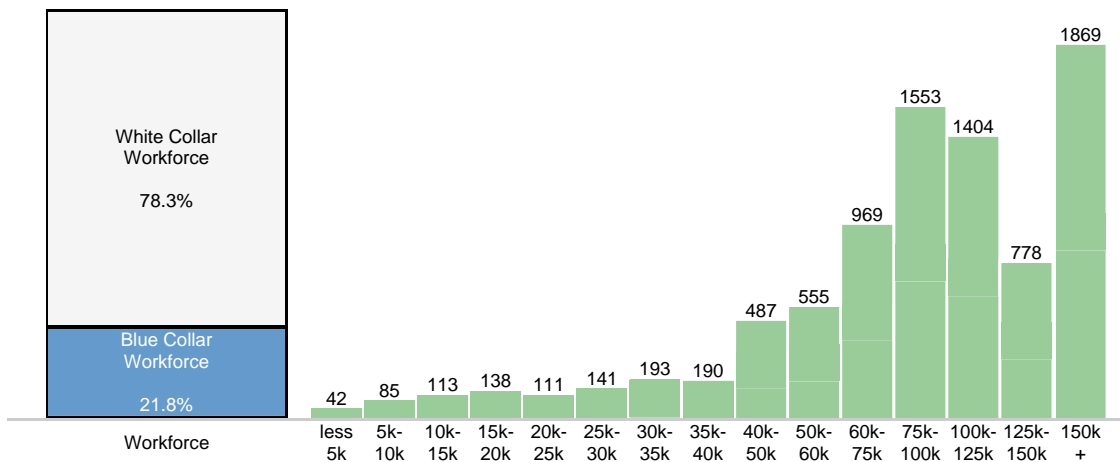
## Environment Evaluation

Average high and low temperatures for this neighborhood are provided below. An environmental risk evaluation compares the risk of a weather or geological event that may occur in this neighborhood with the national risk for that event. The national average is marked by a score of 100. The number at the top of the bar graph shows the risk for the event shown at the bottom of the bar graph.



## Wealth Breakdown

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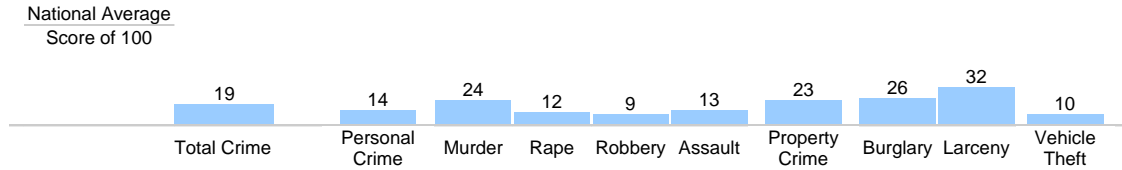


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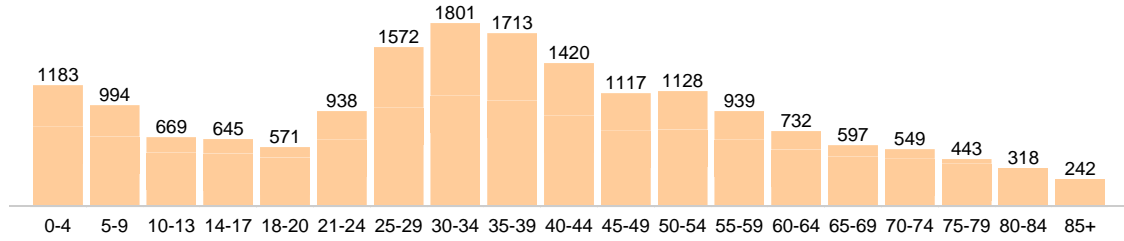
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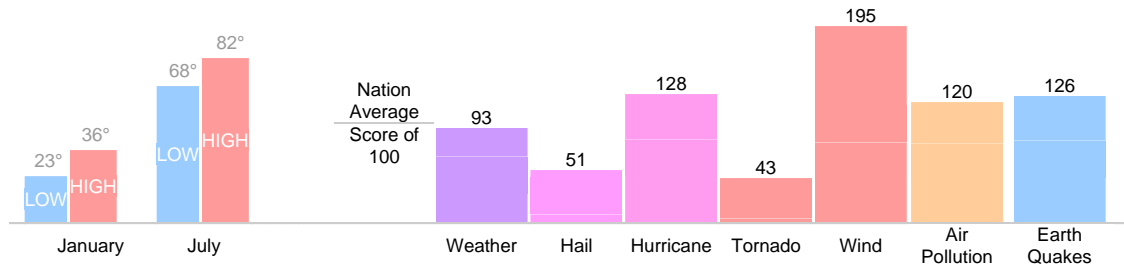
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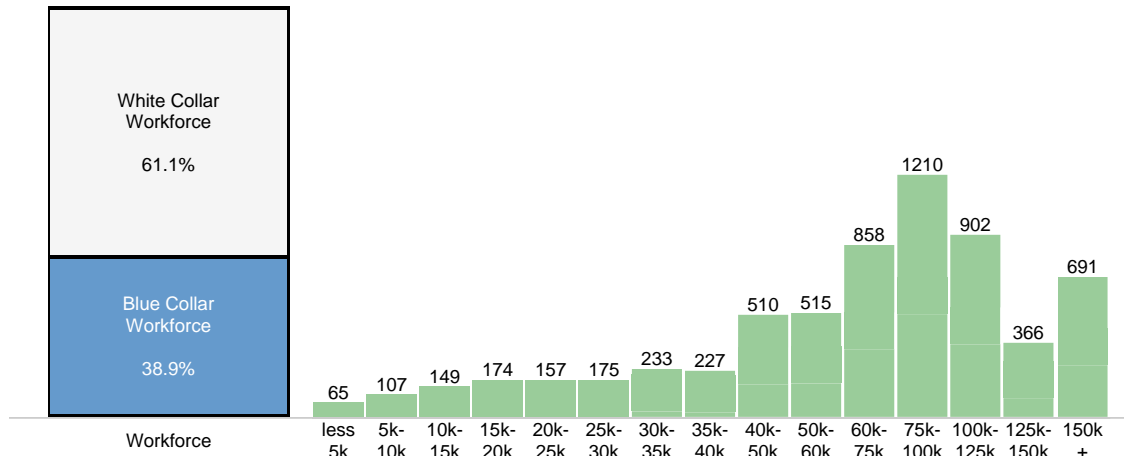
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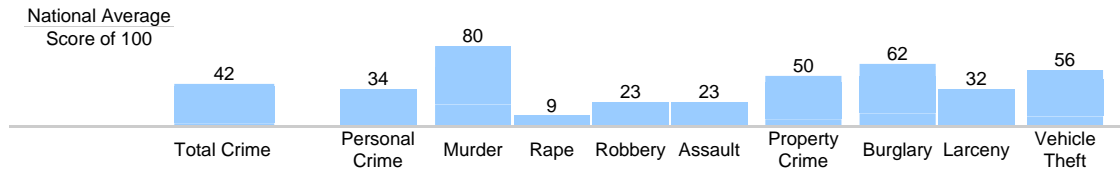


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