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### Addressing the Black Homeownership Gap

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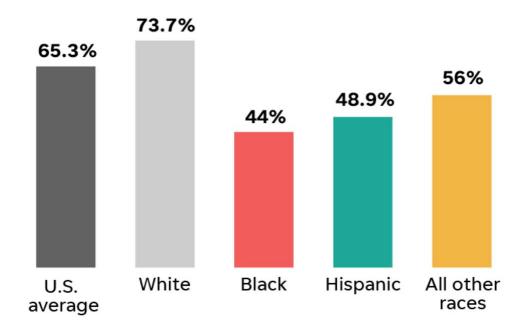






## National Urban League Homeownership Rates by Race

## **Black homeownership rates remain lowest in the US** Rates as of Q1 2020



Source: US Census Data

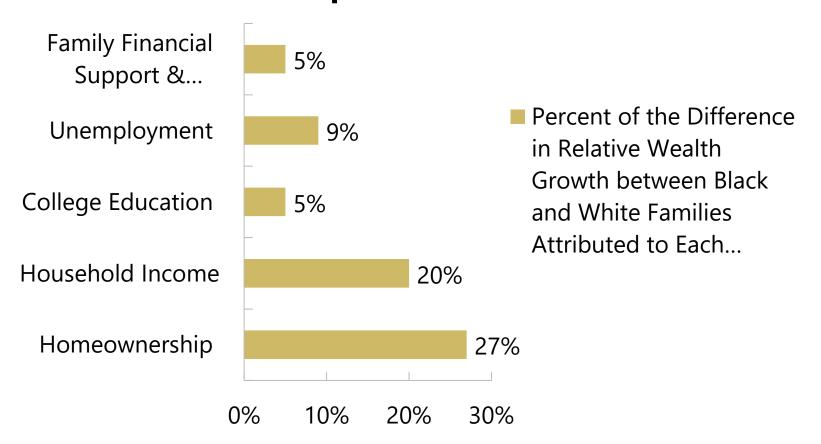






## Drivers of the Racial Wealth Gap

# What's Driving the Increasing Racial Wealth Gap



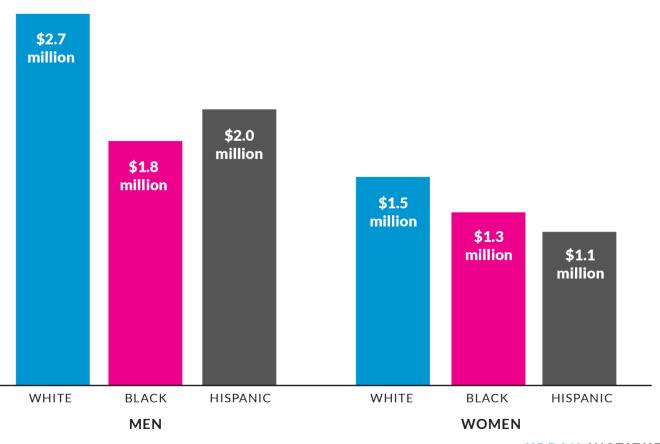


### Income

Average Accumulated Real Lifetime Earnings at Ages 58–62 for People Born 1950–54, by Gender and Race/Ethnicity

**Source:** Melissa Favreault, Urban Institute's tabulations from the 2008 Survey of Income and Program Participation matched to Summary Earnings Records through 2012.

Notes: 2015 dollars. These people are ages 58-62 in 2012. Excludes people outside US for more than 10 years of adulthood; this is especially important for Hispanics, who are more likely foreign born. Earnings are accumulated using assumed interest rates from the OASDI trustees report.



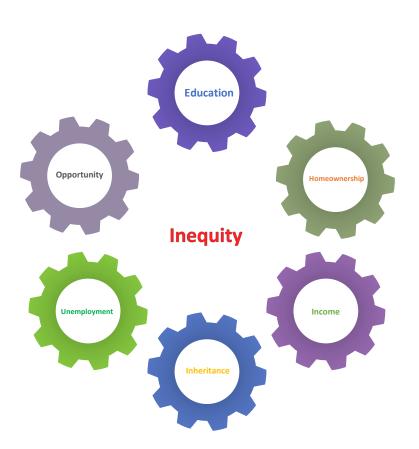
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### **Strong Down Drafts & Headwinds**



#### The Racial Wealth Gap

widened by 16% over this 5 year period, fueled by homeownership, income, college education, inheritance and unemployment.

2016:

Median Net Worth: Whites \$171,000 African Americans \$17,150

For every \$100 in net worth of whites, African Americans have about \$10

Nearly 35% of African American households have zero or negative net worth.







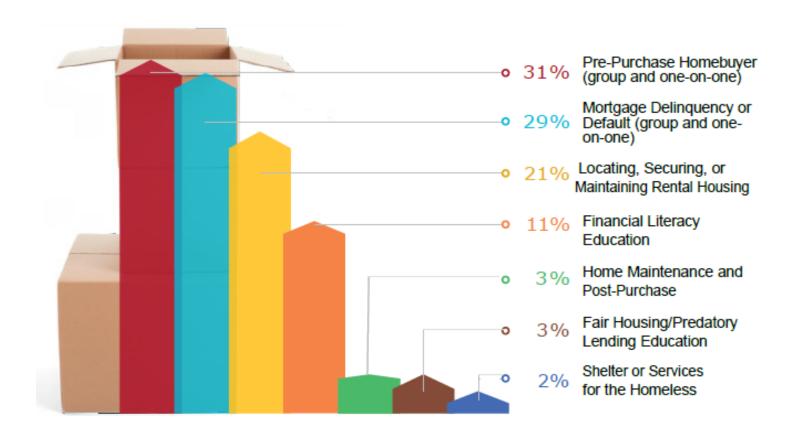
### National NUL Housing Counseling Locations Urban League NUL Housing Counseling Locations

> 28 affiliates in 20 states and the District of Columbia





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Since 2015, Urban League affiliates have provided the following services:

- 78,318 Received Pre-Purchase Homeownership Education and Counseling
- 75,315 Received Mortgage Delinquency Education and Counseling
- 55,180 Received Rental Assistance Education and Counseling
- 29,719 Received Financial Management Education
- 6,544 Purchased a New Home
- 4.628 Received Assistance for Shelter and Homelessness







### **Innovations- Esusu**

- Lending circles and solo savings options, with a match of up to \$300 each
- Focus on savings and credit
- 12% of participants became mortgage-ready
- On average credit score of NUL participants increased by 33 points
- There was a 12% rise in loan eligibility for participants. The average participant is projected to be able to save upwards of \$11,000 in interest on long term loans

270+

Savers

\$170,000+

Committed Savings



\$79,000+







### **Innovations-FinLocker**

- Homeownership and overall financial health app
- Credit score & report, with monitoring alerts
- Daily detailed budget
- Educational components (140+ educational videos, as well as articles)
- Mortgage readiness assessment
- Direct bank account linking capabilities
- Client document upload capabilities (e.g., financials for either lender review or counselor review)
- Home search within app
- Clients apply for a mortgage WITHIN the app
- A digital assistant to answer questions









## Thank You



