

# Kenilworth, IL



## Open Communities'

mission is to educate, advocate and organize to promote just and inclusive communities in north suburban Chicago.

Founded in 1972 by north suburban residents and congregations, we are a nonprofit, membership-based organization dedicated to fostering economically and culturally diverse communities.

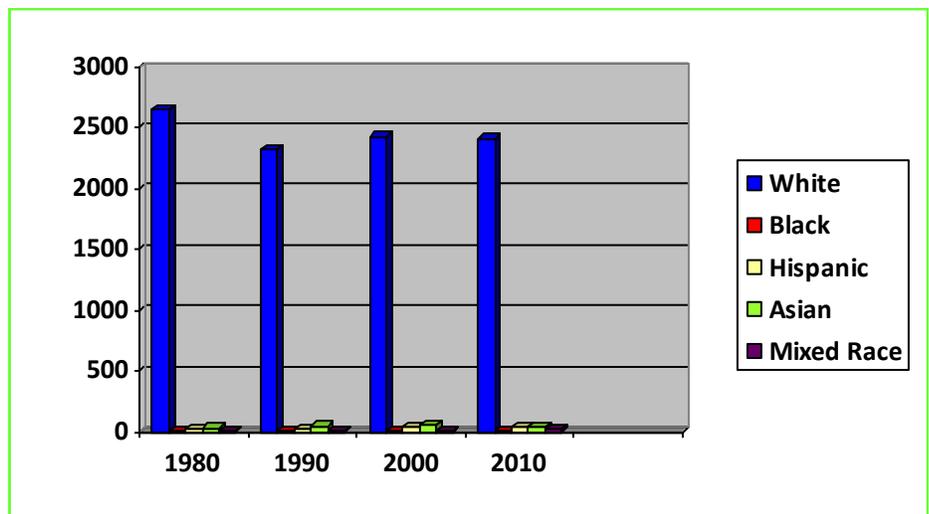
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Kenilworth is a village in the New Trier Township of Cook County, Illinois. It is about 15 miles north of downtown Chicago and is one of nine suburban North Shore communities bordering Lake Michigan.

As of the 2010 Census, Kenilworth is reported to have a total of 2,513 residents. Of this total, 101 are non-white. This means minorities make up four percent of Kenilworth's population. African Americans comprise the smallest overall percentage at 0.2 percent.

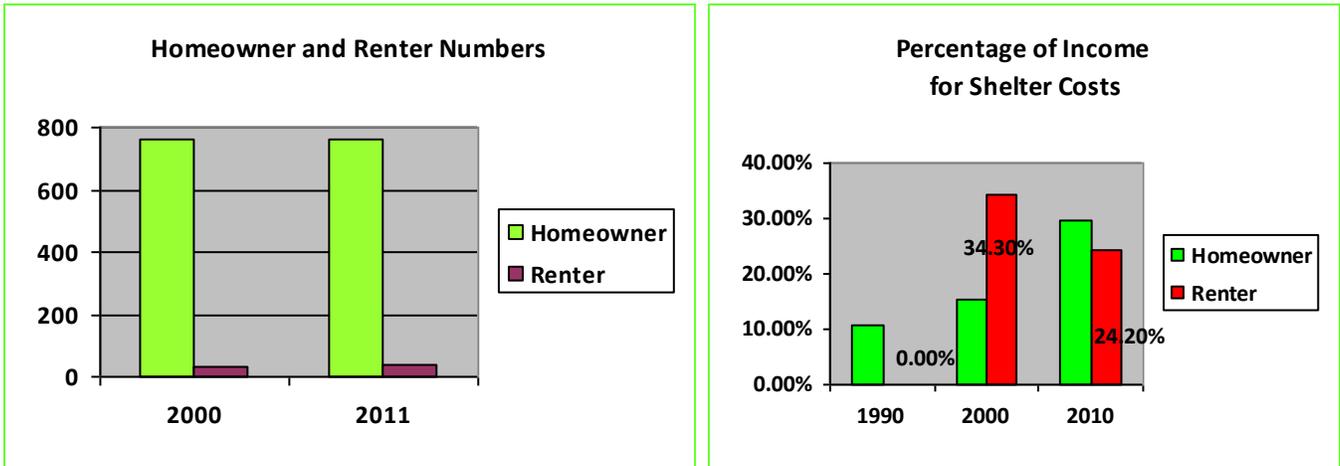
The graph<sup>1</sup> below shows demographic trends in Kenilworth from 1980-2010.



<sup>1</sup>Graph data available at [www.open-communities.org](http://www.open-communities.org)

## Homeownership and Renter Trends

These graphs<sup>2</sup> map homeownership and renter trends in Kenilworth between 1990 and 2011. The left graph shows that renters comprise an extremely small percentage of Kenilworth residents. The graph on the right shows that for 1990 there were no recorded statistics for renter shelter costs. Records indicate there were zero renters at the time. In 2000, renters spent more than double what homeowners spent on shelter costs. In 2011 there was about a five percent difference between renter and homeowner shelter costs.



## Seniors (according to the Census between 2008-2012)

- ◆ No seniors 65 and older spent more than 35 percent of household income on rent
- ◆ 30 percent of about 200 seniors aged 65-75 polled still had a mortgage to pay off.

## Affordable Housing Stock

As of 2005, Kenilworth has adopted an affordable housing plan. Kenilworth also set up an ad hoc committee to research and potentially address the community's affordable housing needs. No specific timeframe was established at that time.

According to a 2013 report from the Illinois Affordable Housing Planning and Appeal Act, Kenilworth offers four affordable housing units out of a total of 785 (0.5%) homes in the community.

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