

INTRODUCTION

The Central Queens Redistricting Coalition was established to provide a voice to the diverse center of Queens, resulting in fair representation for all. Our work up until this point has been solely focussed on the central Queens neighborhoods of Elmhurst, Rego Park, Elmhurst, Kew Gardens, Richmond Hill, Briarwood, and Jamaica Hills. Proceeding a request from the Commissioners of the New York Independent Redistricting Commission, we drafted a NY State Assembly Map and NY State Senate Map for the borough of Queens.

APPROACH

As has been widely discussed, "natural" boundaries in an urban environment are very different from those in more rural and suburban areas. We depend on highways, major through streets, parks, and county lines.

CQRC NY ASSEMBLY MAP (QUEENS ONLY)

Each Assembly District is contained within the borough of Queens. The design of the Assembly map utilized major through streets to determine a majority of the boundaries. Here is a sample:

Hell Gate - Assembly District 1¹
Flushing Meadow Park - Assembly District 4 & 7
Union Turnpike - Assembly District 14 & 15
Jamaica Avenue - Assembly District 13 & 14
North Conduit Ave & Belt Parkway - Assembly District 11 & 12

CQRC NY STATE SENATE MAP (QUEENS ONLY)

Whereas we were able to keep the Assembly districts contained to Queens only, we had to venture into nearby Kings County in order to accommodate the correct apportionment. The design of the Senate map utilized major through streets to determine a majority of the boundaries. Here is a sample:

Newtown Creek - Senate District 2 & 9 Van Wyck Expressway - Senate District 3 & 5/Senate District 4 & 6 Long Island Expressway - Senate District 5 & 6

¹ Assembly and Senate numbers reference our draft maps and not existing numbers.

DEMOGRAPHICS

CQRC NY ASSEMBLY MAP (QUEENS ONLY)

Our Assembly map removes one Hispanic-majority and one Black-majority district, and adds one White-majority district and one no majority district.

Assembly	CQRC Proposal	2010 Map	Difference
Hispanic	2	3	-1
Black	3	4	-1
Asian	2	2	0
White	2	1	1
No majority	9	8	1
Total	18	18	0

CQRC NY STATE SENATE MAP (QUEENS ONLY)

The table below is only for the 7 districts entirely in Queens county. We lose one Black-majority district that is replaced with a no majority district. This reflects the changing demographics in Queens (see at bottom).

Senate	CQRC Proposal	2010 Map	Difference
Hispanic	1	1	0
Black	1	2	-1
Asian	1	1	0
White	0	0	0
No majority	4	3	1
Total	7	7	0

We will have a small portion of NE Queens (Douglaston and Little Neck, labeled as District 10) that will go into Northern Nassau (25,355 people). That will make up 7.9% of whatever district it is added to.

Our map has two Queens-Brooklyn districts:

• District 8 puts Howard Beach and the Western Rockaways with Brooklyn. In terms of population that is 55,256 from Queens (17.2%) and 266,134 from Brooklyn (82.8%). It is a majority White district (66.4%). This would create a Republican-majority district.

• District 9 puts Ridgewood with Brooklyn. In terms of population that is 65,157 from Queens (20.2%) and 256,907 from Brooklyn (79.8%). It has no racial/ethnic majority.

In total, Queens has a population of 2,405,464, and we give away 145,768 to other boroughs (6.1% of our population). Given our total population, we are entitled to 17.87 assembly districts and 7.5 senate districts. Our maps give Queens 18 assembly districts and 7 senate districts within the borough borders. We give away 0.38 of a senate district to Brooklyn, 0.08 to Nassau, and keep 0.05 in Queens with our deviations.

OVERALL DEMOGRAPHICS (QUEENS ONLY)

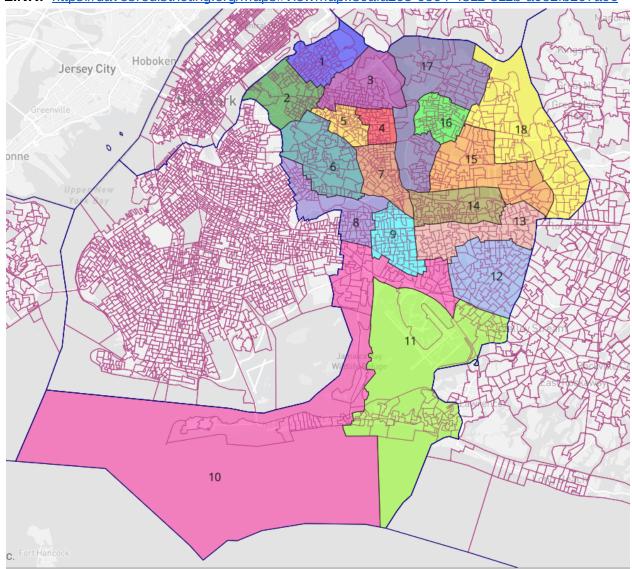
Here is the change in racial/ethnic demographics.

Demographic Change	2010	2020	Difference
Hispanic	27.5%	27.8%	0.3%
Black	17.7%	15.9%	-1.8%
Asian	22.8%	27.3%	4.5%
White	27.6%	22.8%	-4.8%
Other	4.4%	6.2%	1.8%

FINAL MAPS

CQRC NY ASSEMBLY MAP (QUEENS ONLY)

LINK: https://davesredistricting.org/maps#viewmap::8cafa205-0e64-4811-811b-a0e2fb207ac6



CQRC NY STATE SENATE MAP (QUEENS MOSTLY)
LINK: https://davesredistricting.org/join/9cd85f82-a720-4471-99c2-232c9e2e833f

