

Where Do People Work in the Greater Downtown

Top Industry Clusters
Workforce Characteristics
Job Growth
Commercial Office Supply



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Overview

Now is the time to create a **shared and inclusive vision** for Greater Downtown, supported by a strategic Action Agenda to make that vision a reality.

The **Greater Downtown** is the heart and “gateway to the city.” It is the largest employment and cultural center in the city and region. So if we care about generating more business, job and wealth creation opportunities for Milwaukeeans, we must care about how to retain and attract more inclusive growth back to the city center providing jobs, business, educational, recreational and cultural opportunities for all in the city and region. The neighborhoods immediately adjacent to the downtown core are the “gateway to the downtown.” Strengthening these communities as safe, affordable, inclusive and cultural authentic places to live, work, play and make enhances the Greater Downtown and the city and region.

MKE United will culminate with an **Action Agenda** that includes specific actionable recommendations, along with clearly assigned responsibilities, to ensure the new, shared vision becomes a reality. The goal is to produce a 10-year Action Agenda that outlines tangible and feasible outcomes that can be implemented as early actions (0-1 year), near-term (1-5 years) and long-term actions (5-10 years). With intention, benefits to Milwaukeeans and the Region can be realized and the change we want requires shared ownership of a shared vision.

PHASE 1: BUILDING THE GREATER DOWNTOWN STORY

Phase 1 of the project involves acknowledging, reviewing and analyzing all of the existing plans and studies created by the Greater Downtown Milwaukee community over the last 5-7 years. This work is a representation of stakeholder efforts to improve and preserve the neighborhoods of the Greater Downtown, surface critical issues and establish clear goals and recommendations for change.

Our work starts where these plans left off, adding a comprehensive look at current trends that help to establish a data-driven perspective on how the Greater Downtown area is performing and what issues do we need to prioritize over the next 10 years. During this phase, we will supplement our data research with input from community workshops and open houses to help confirm our findings and surface any additional issues we may have missed.

This work will be used to help craft a proposed vision and set of target outcomes for the Greater Downtown, from which we will build an agenda for action in Phase 2.

Employment Sectors

The city’s jobs are driven largely by five sectors: Manufacturing, Finance and Insurance, Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services, Administration/Waste/Remediation, and Accommodation and Food Services.

Change in Private Sector Jobs By Sector, 2004-14

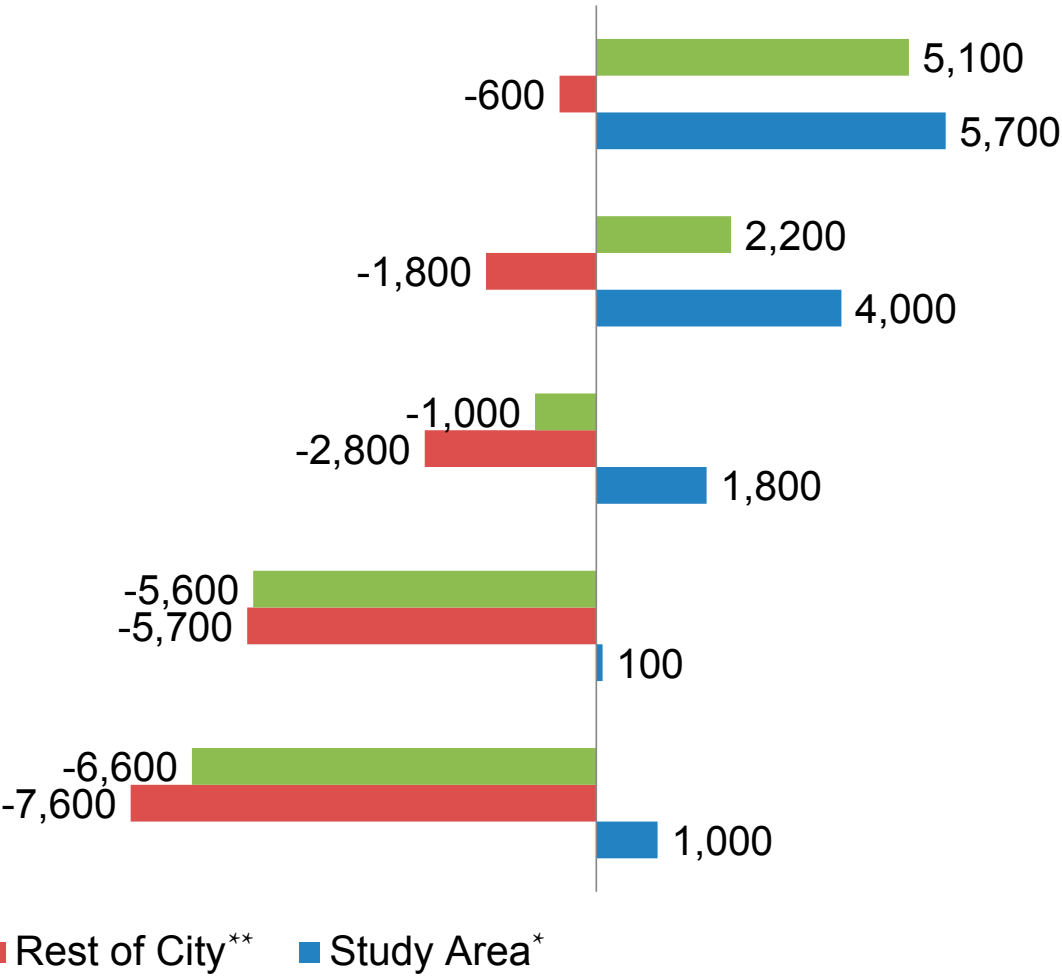
Administration & Support, Waste Management and Remediation

Accommodation and Food Services

Professional, Scientific, and Technical Services

Finance and Insurance

Manufacturing

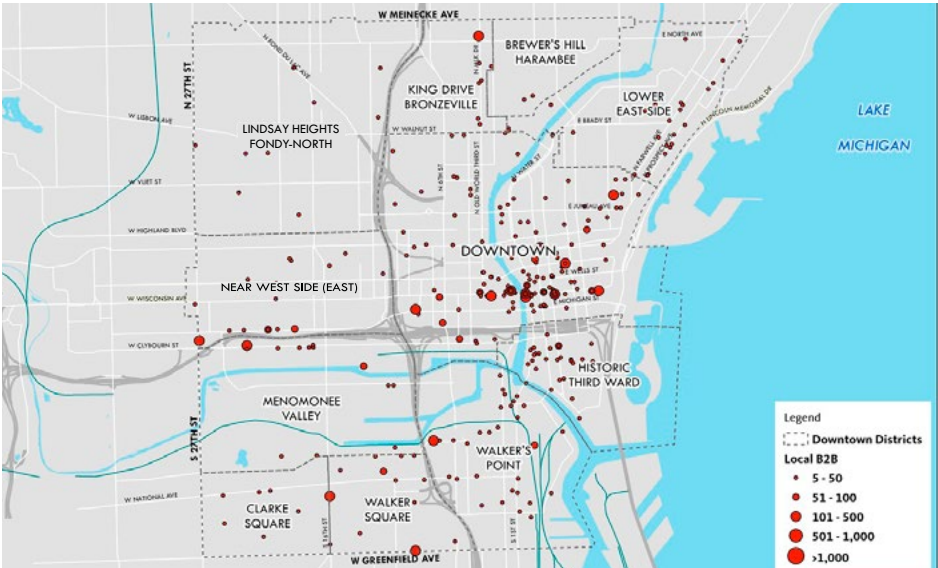


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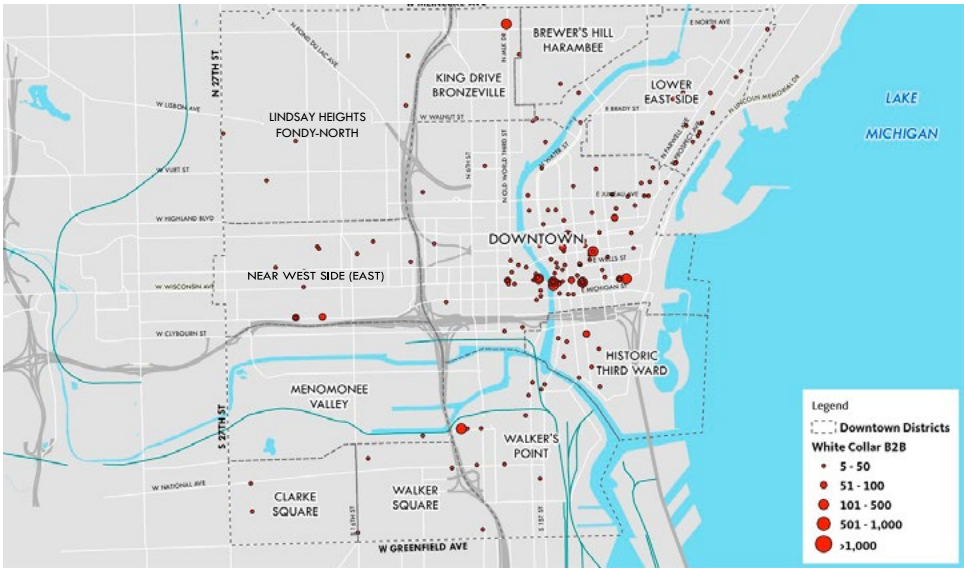


Industry Cluster - Local B2B

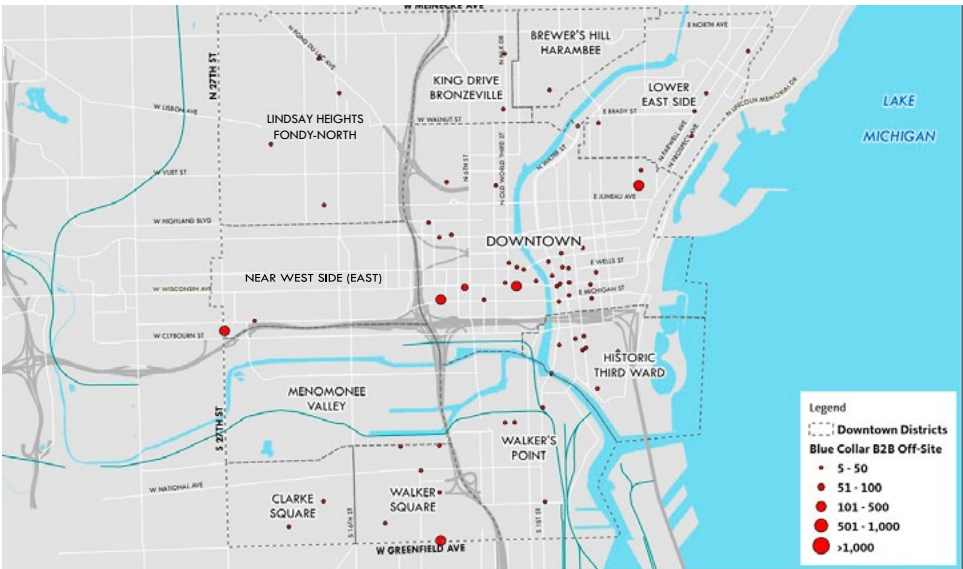
Smaller local B2B firms (less than 50 employees) are relatively well distributed throughout the greater downtown neighborhoods; larger firms are concentrated in the Downtown, along I-41, and in Walker Square. White Collar and Blue Collar Off Site firms are concentrated in Downtown while Blue Collar On Site are mainly located south of Wisconsin Avenue.



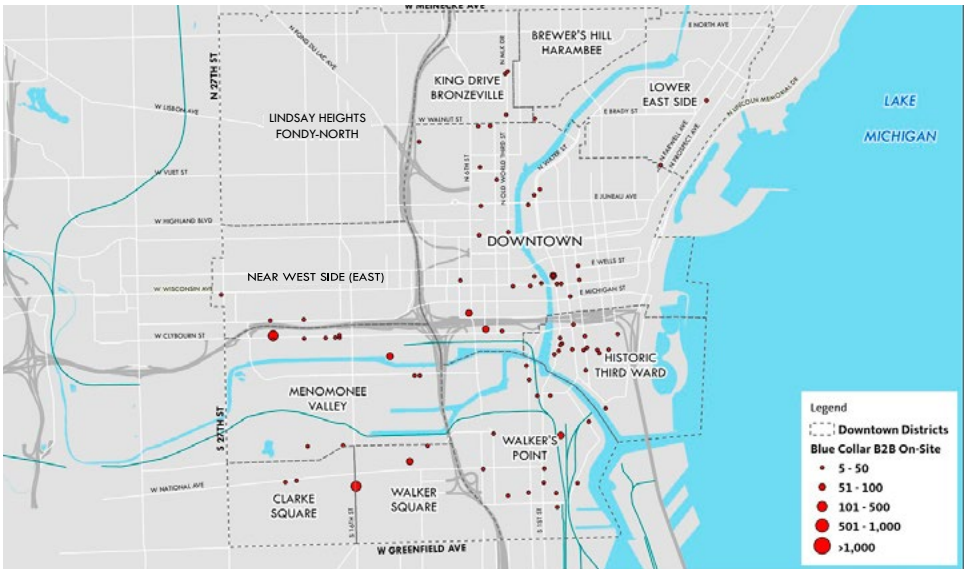
Local B2B Cluster: All



Local B2B Cluster: White Collar



Local B2B Cluster: Blue Collar Off-Site

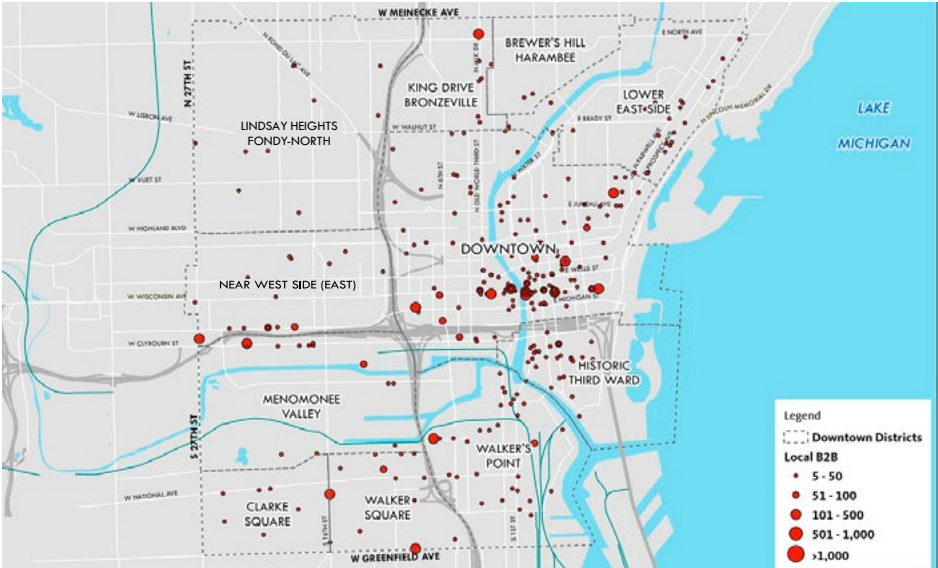


Local B2B Cluster: Blue Collar On-Site

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Industry Cluster - Food

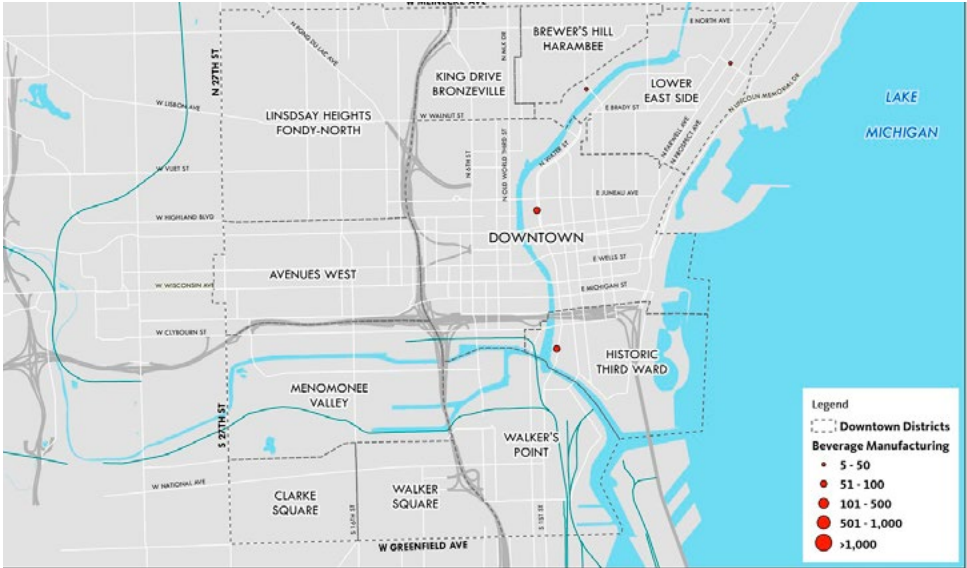
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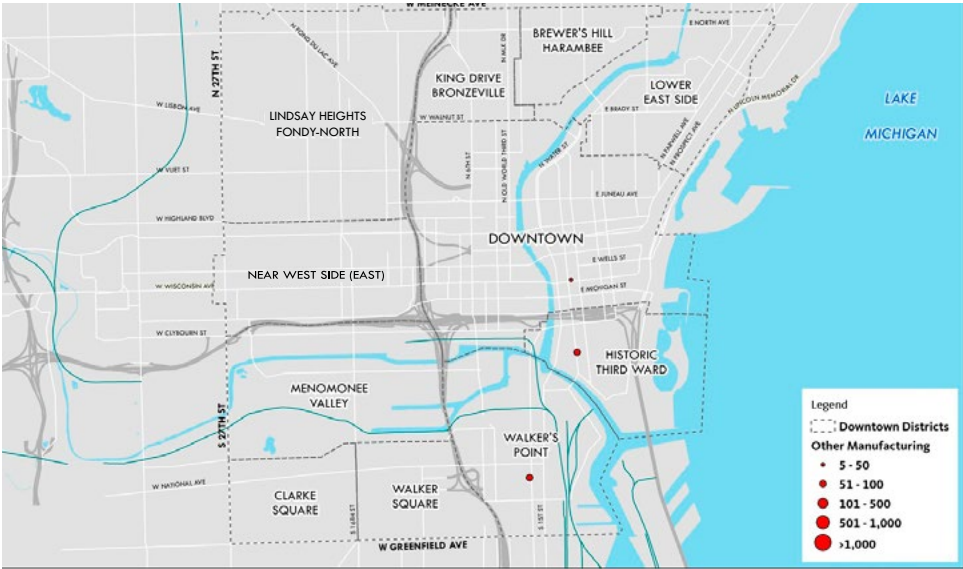
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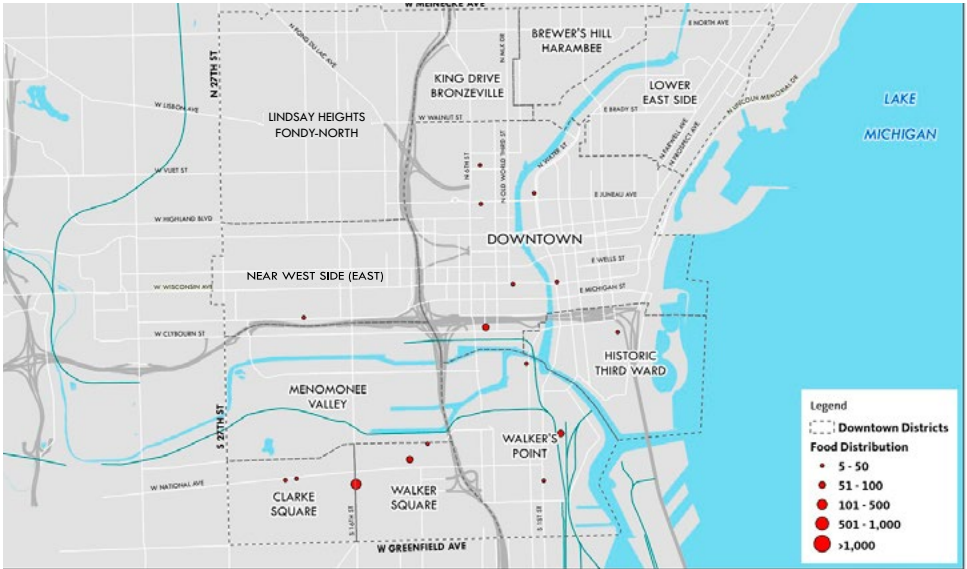
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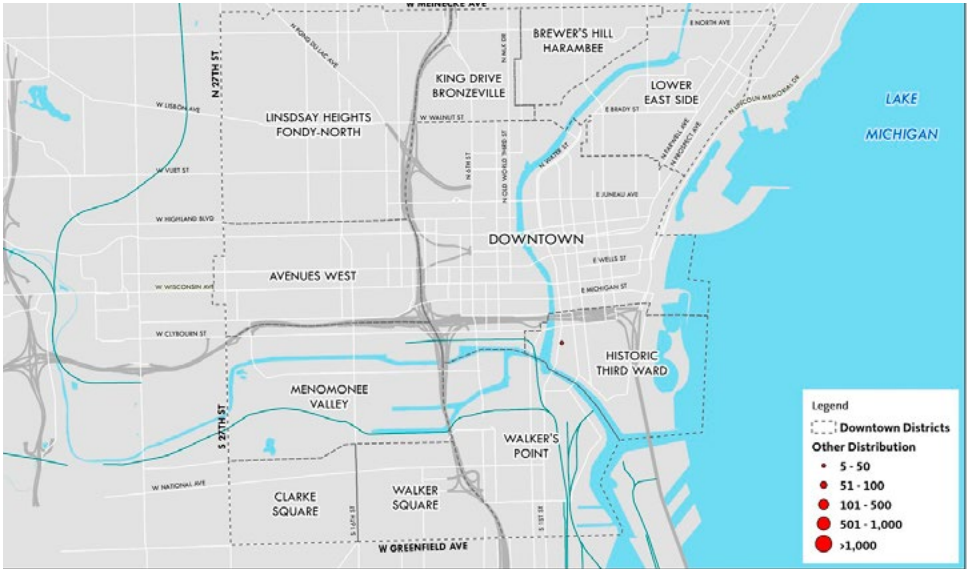
Food Cluster: Beverage Manufacturing



Food Cluster: Other Manufacturing



Food Cluster: Food Distribution



Food Cluster: Other Distribution

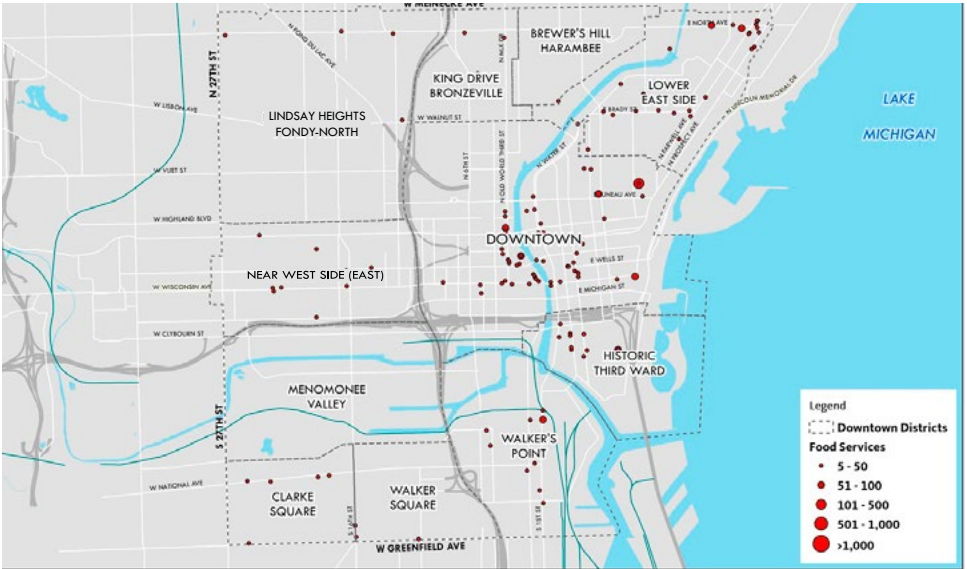
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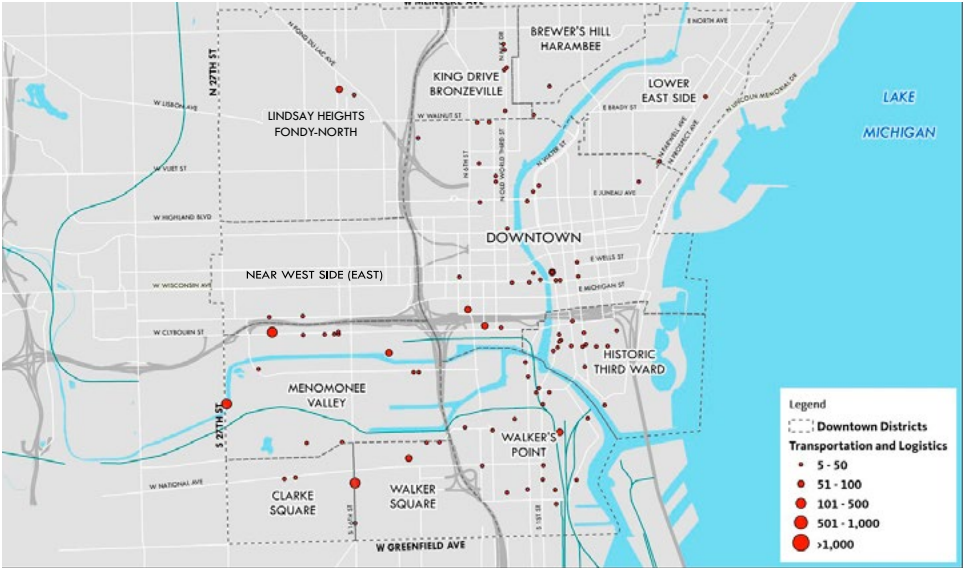


Food Cluster: Services

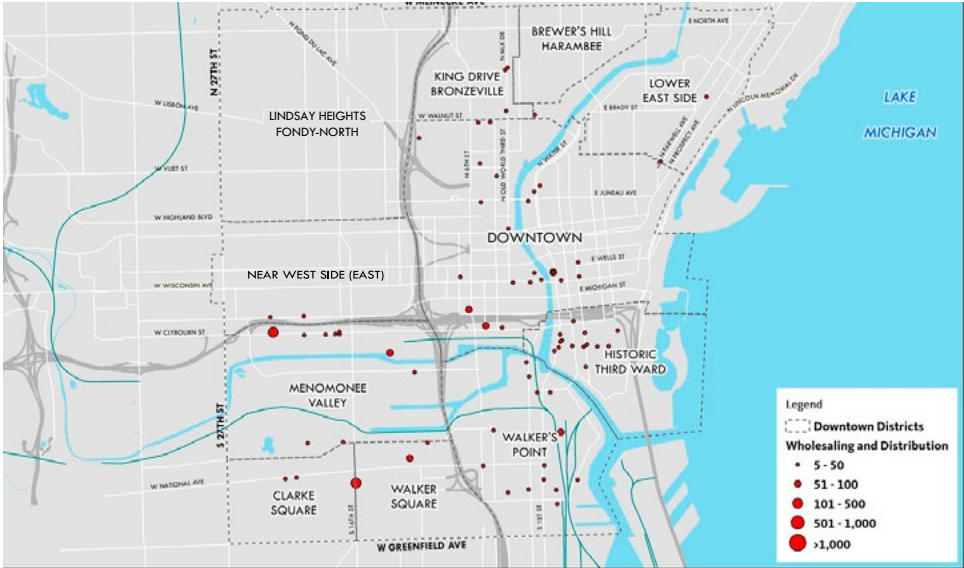
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Industry Cluster - Transportation and Logistics

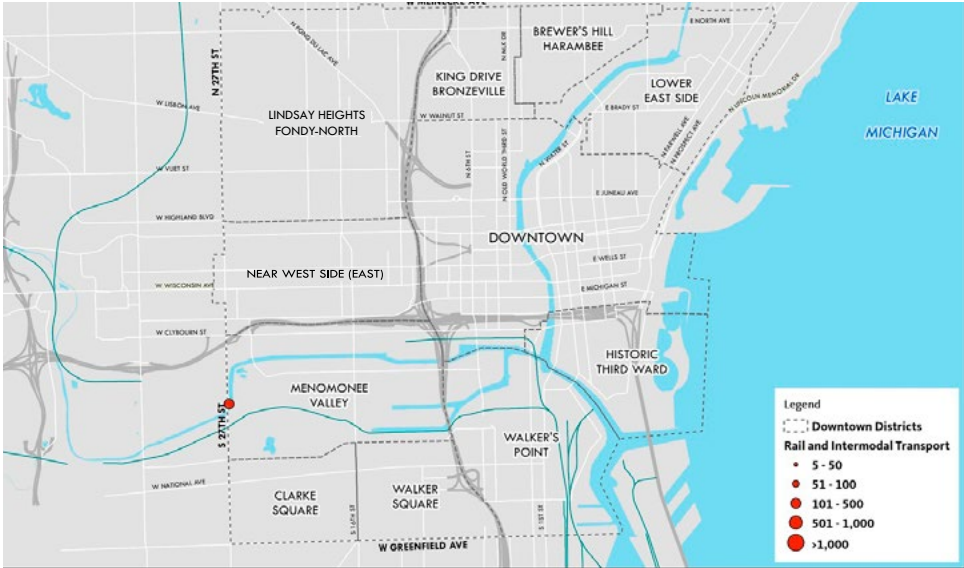
Transportation and Logistics are concentrated in the downtown and neighborhoods south of I-41; particularly in areas with good river and canal, rail, and highway access.



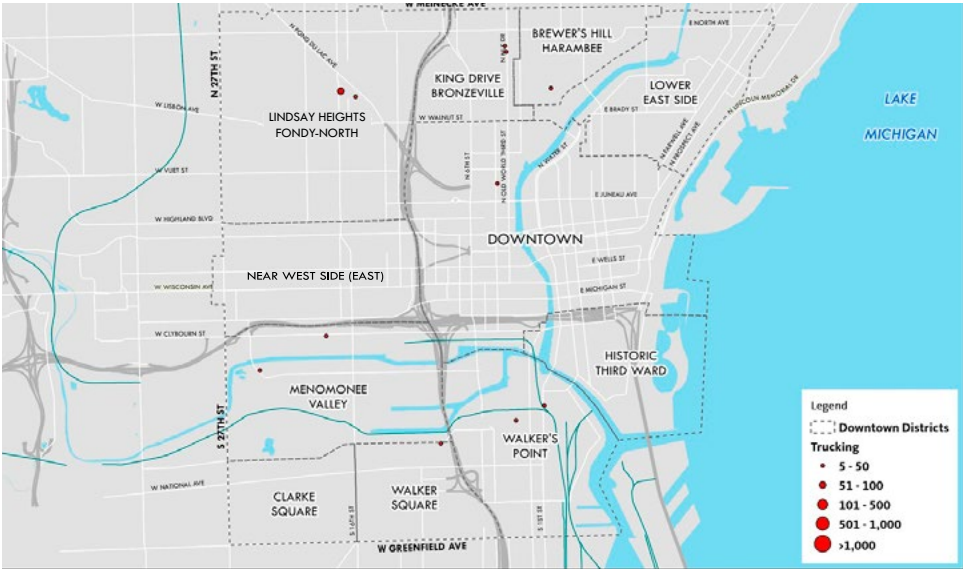
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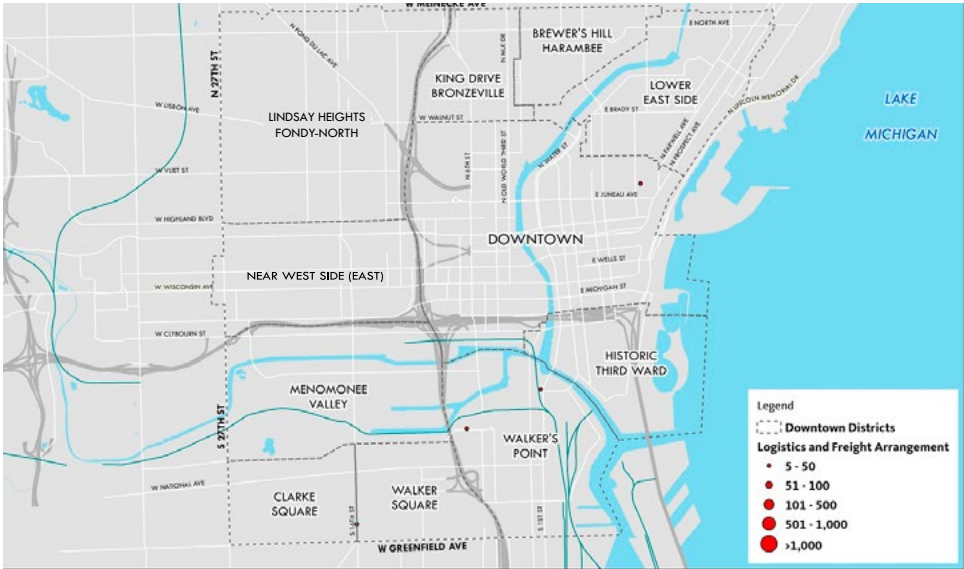
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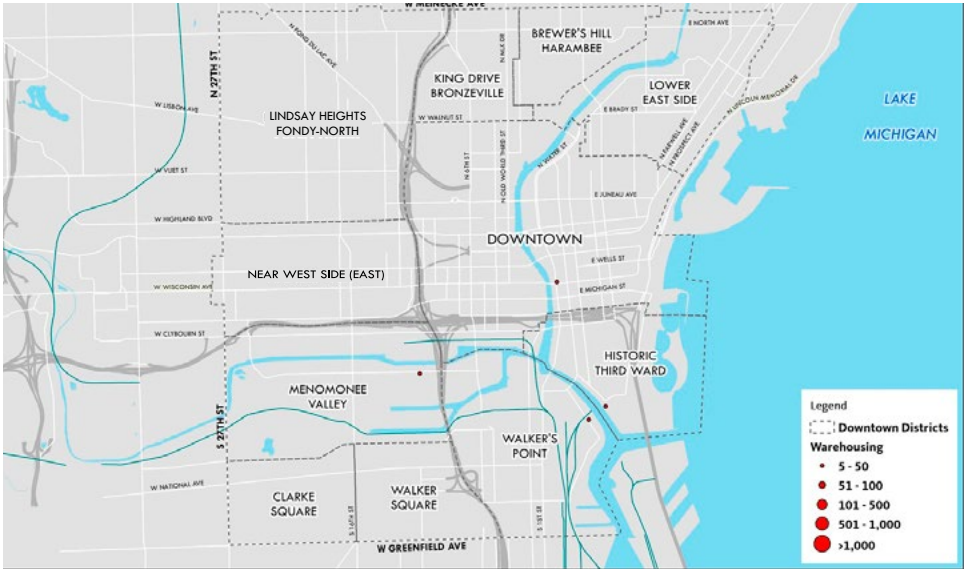
Transportation and Logistics: Retail & Intermodal Transp.



Transportation and Logistics: Trucking



Transportation and Logistics: Freight Arrangement

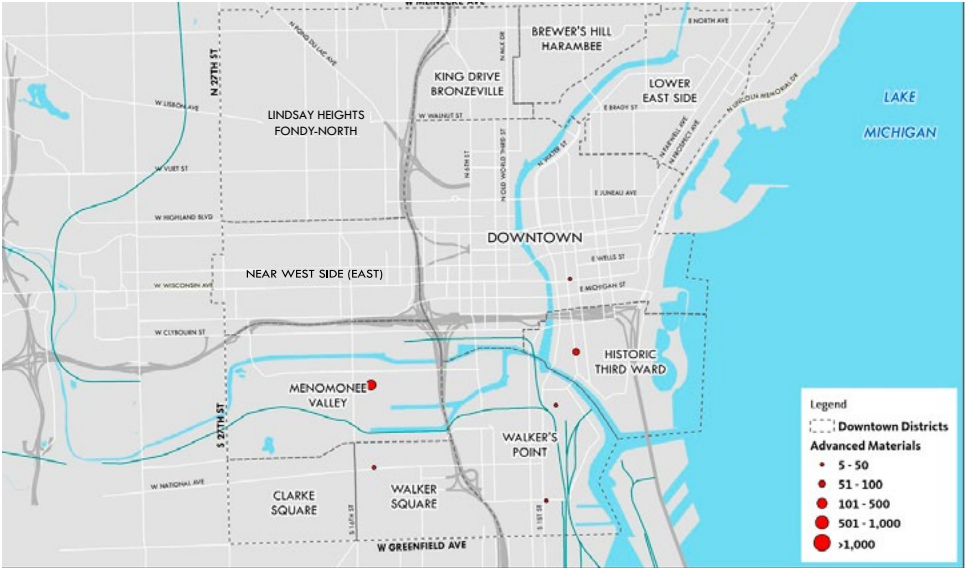


Transportation and Logistics: Warehousing

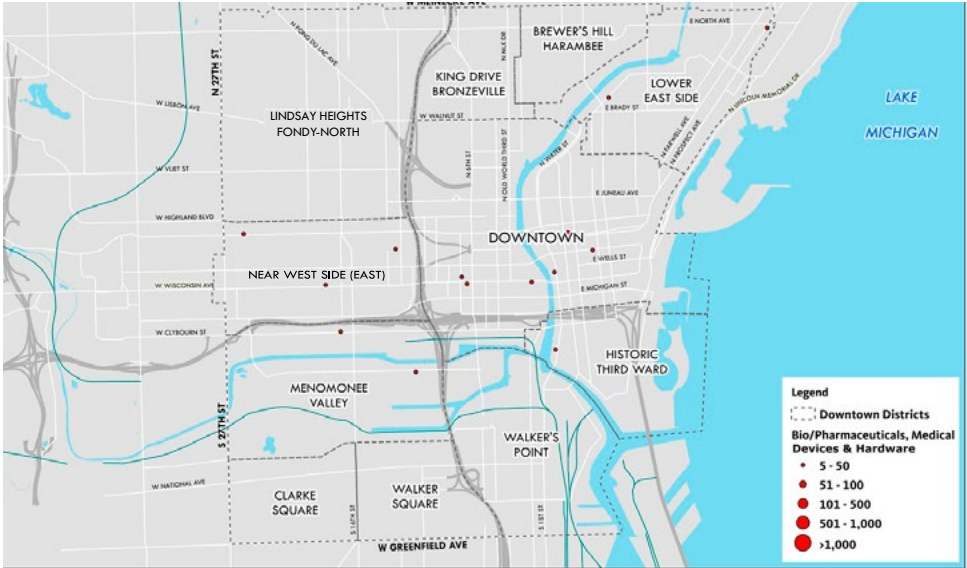
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Industry Cluster - Tech and Innovation

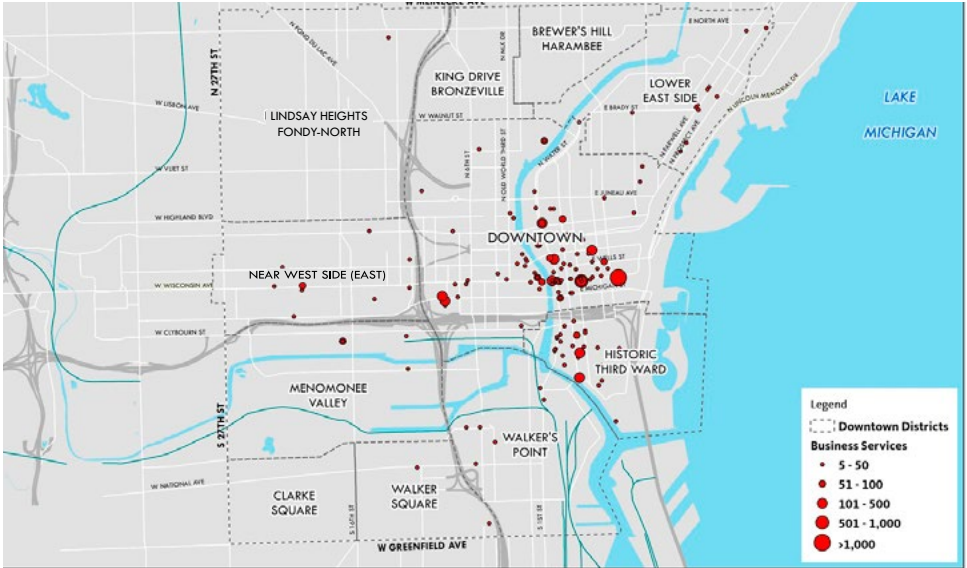
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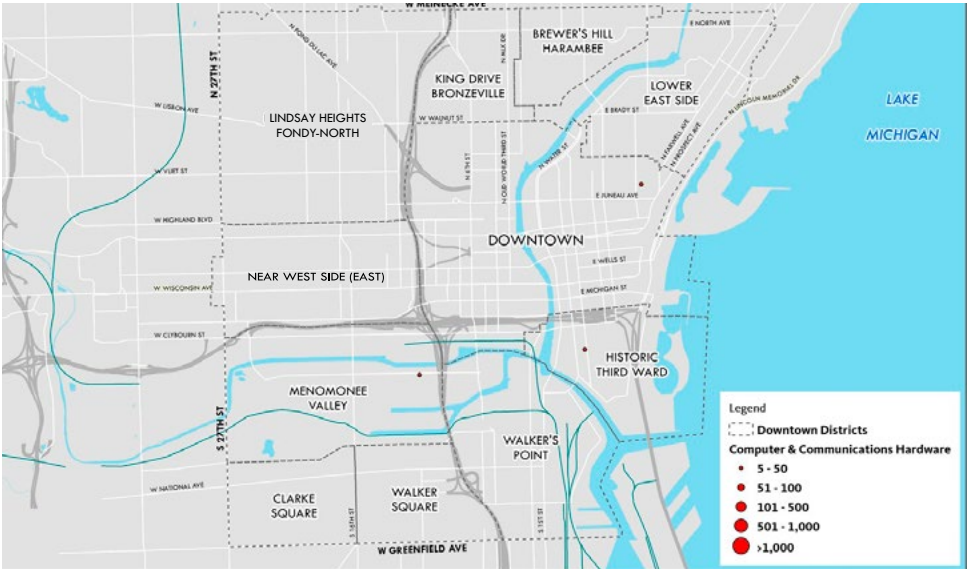
Tech and Innovation: Advanced Materials



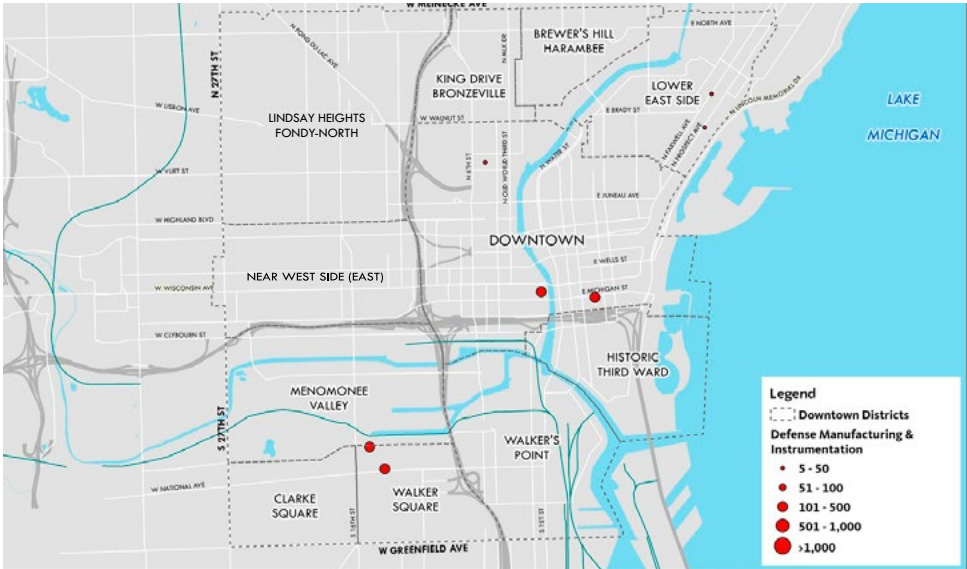
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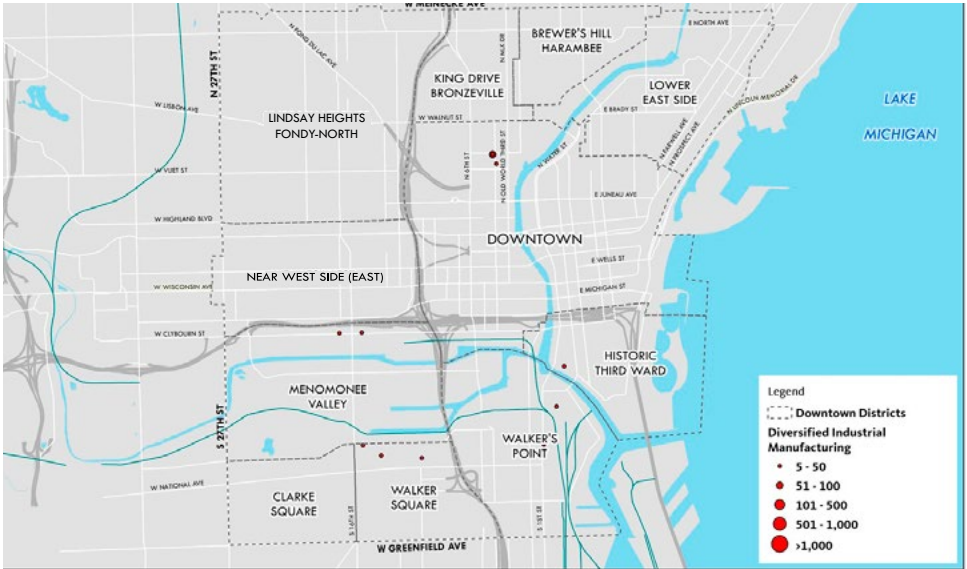
Tech and Innovation: Business Services



Tech and Innovation: Computers and Communications



Tech and Innovation: Defense Manuf. and Instrumentation

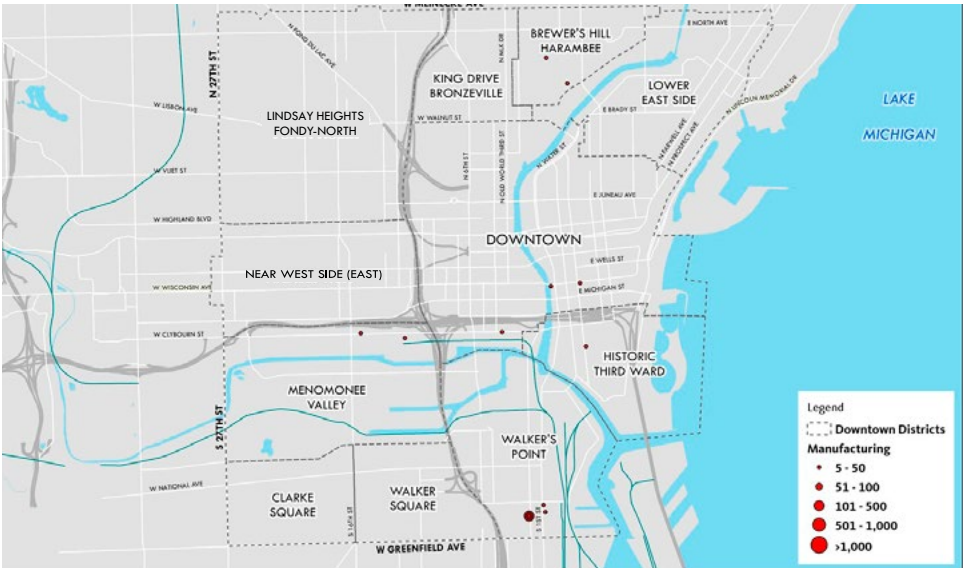


Tech and Innovation: Diversified Industrial Manuf.

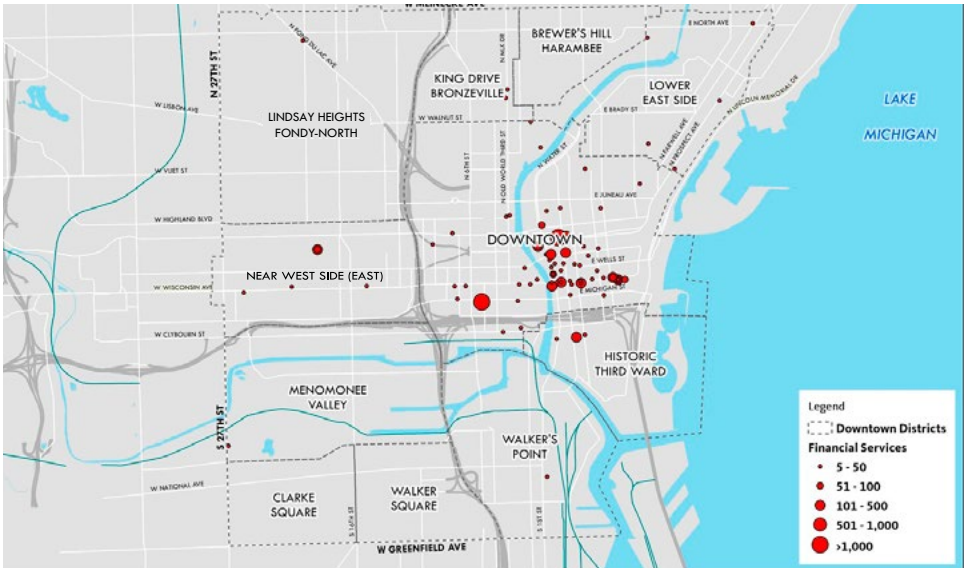
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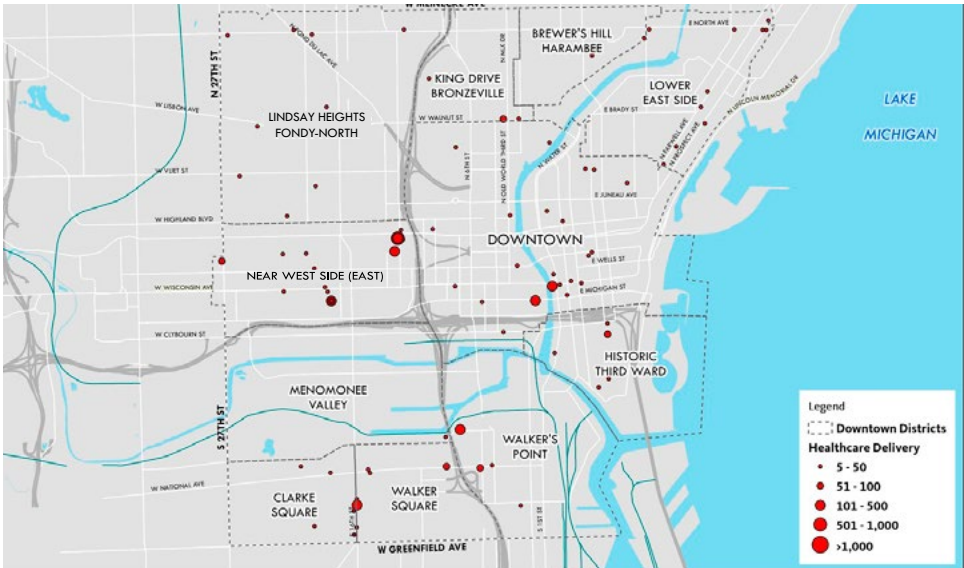
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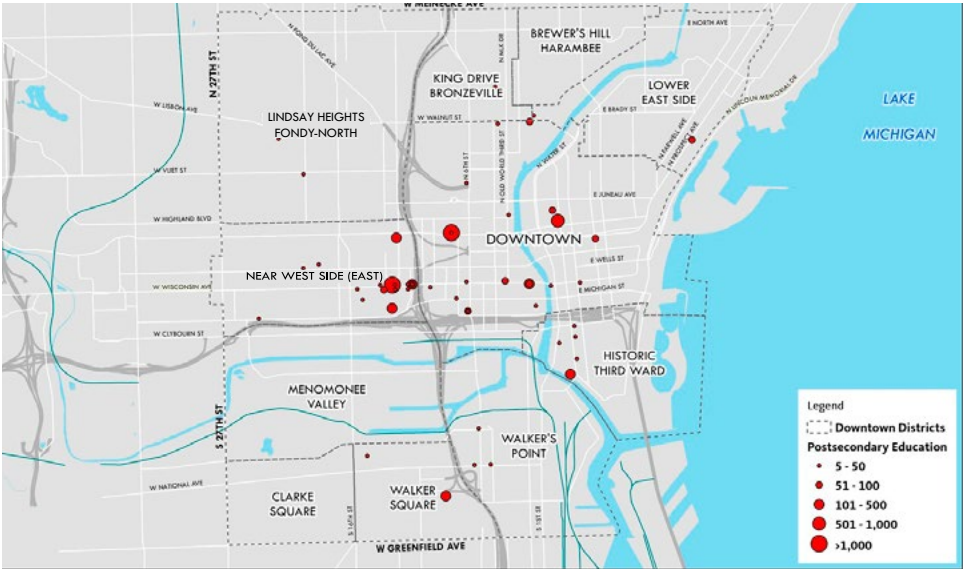
Tech and Innovation: Manufacturing



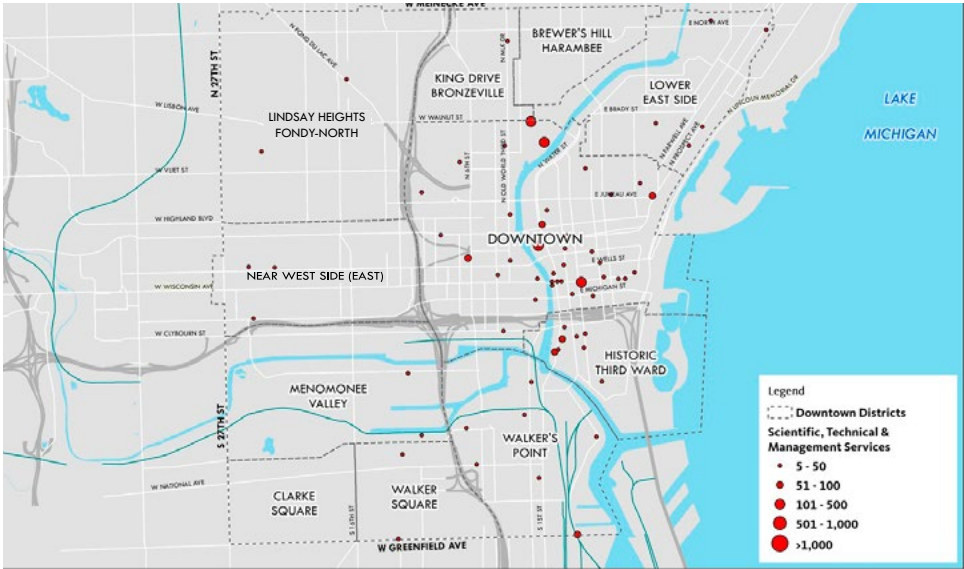
Tech and Innovation: Financial Services



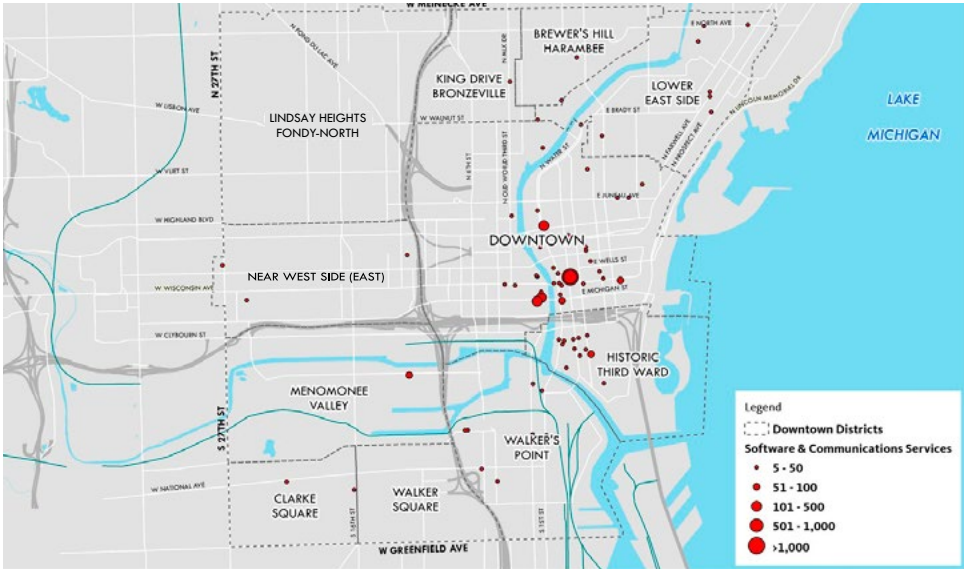
Tech and Innovation: Healthcare Delivery



Tech and Innovation: Postsecondary Education



Tech and Innovation: Scientific, Technical & Management

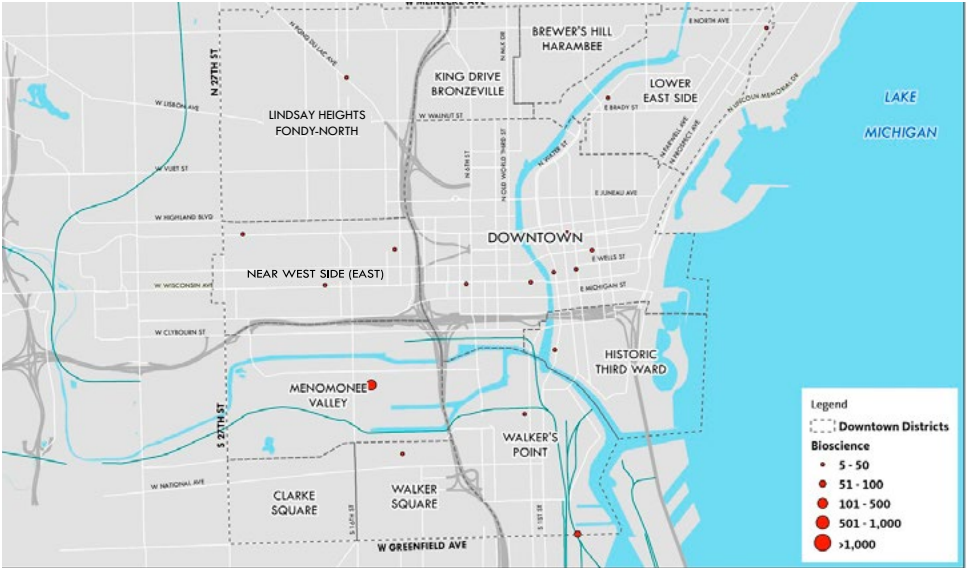


Tech and Innovation: Software and Communications

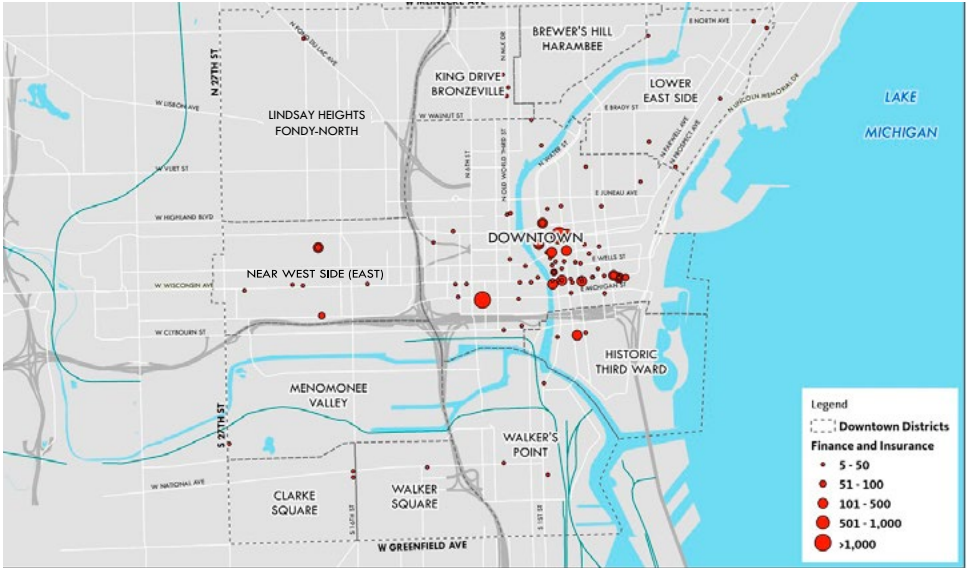
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Milwaukee (MKE 7) Asset Clusters

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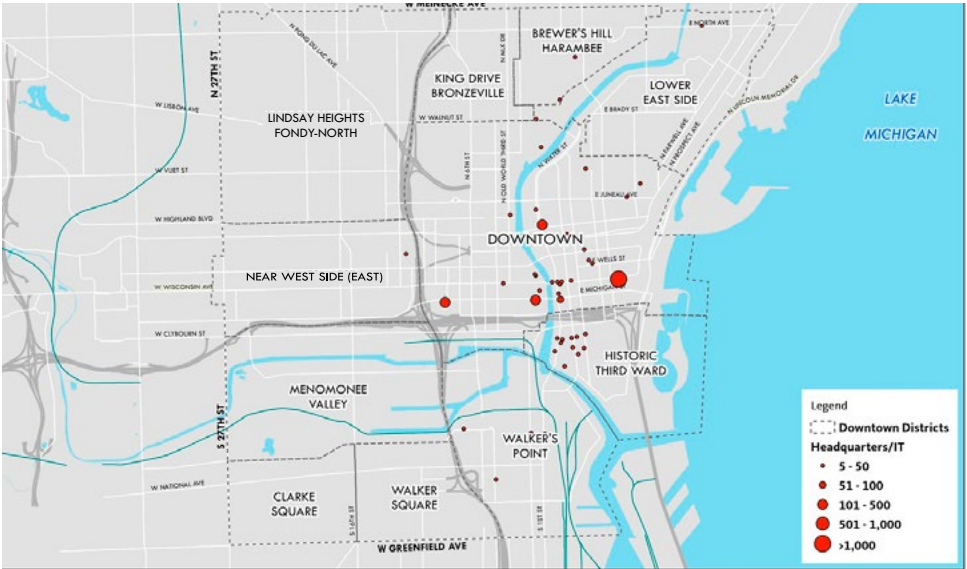
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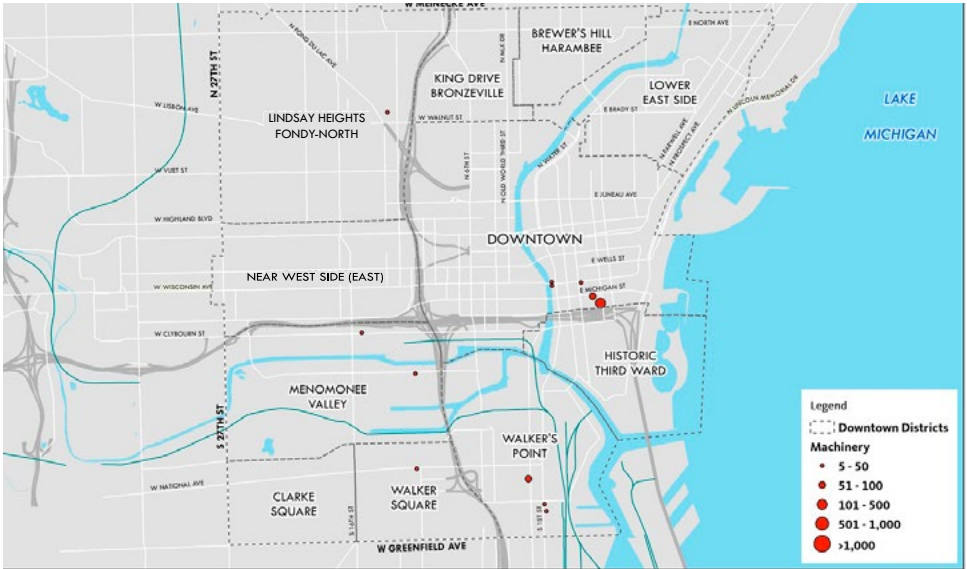
Milwaukee Asset Clusters: Finance and Insurance



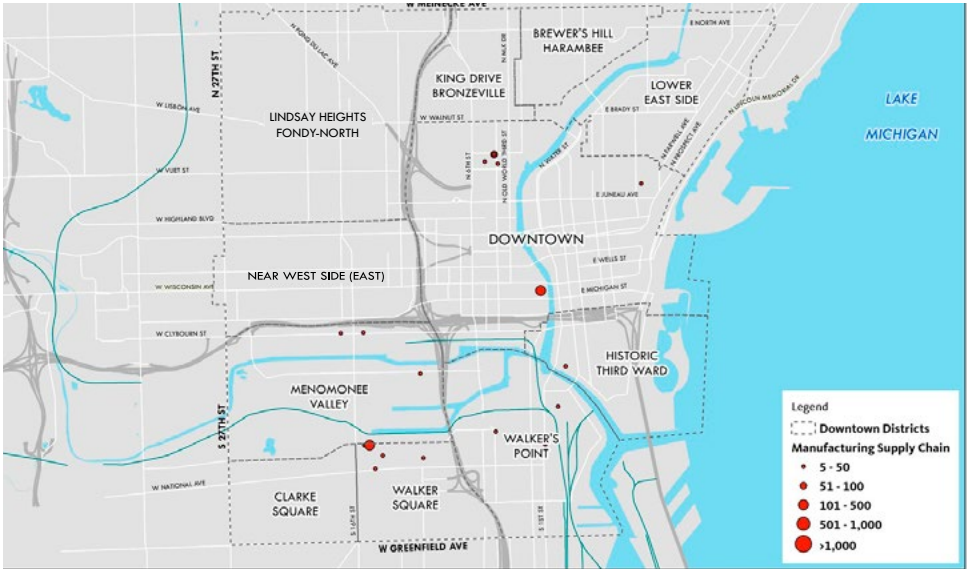
Milwaukee Asset Clusters: Food and Beverage



Milwaukee Asset Clusters: Headquarters / IT



Milwaukee Asset Clusters: Machinery



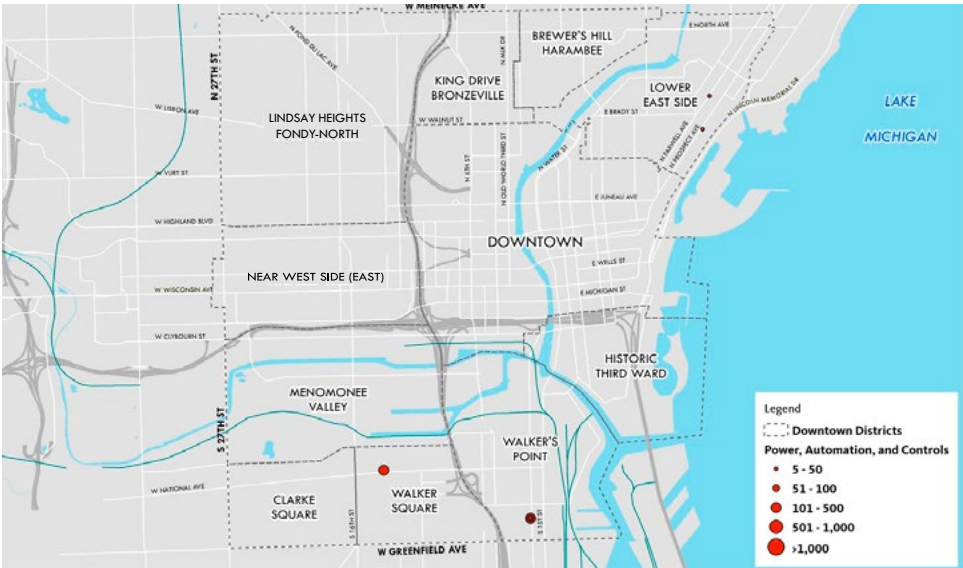
Milwaukee Asset Clusters: Manuf. Supply Chain

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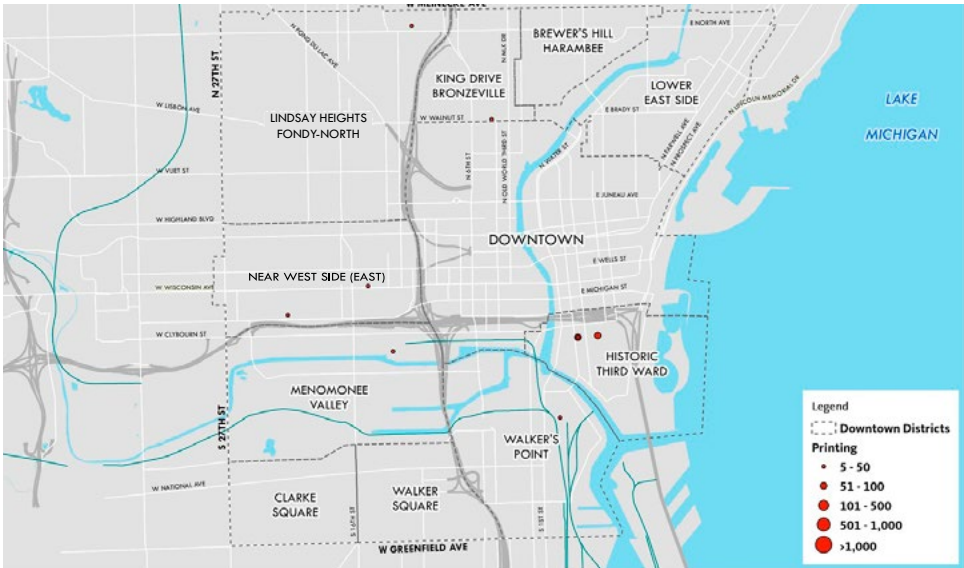


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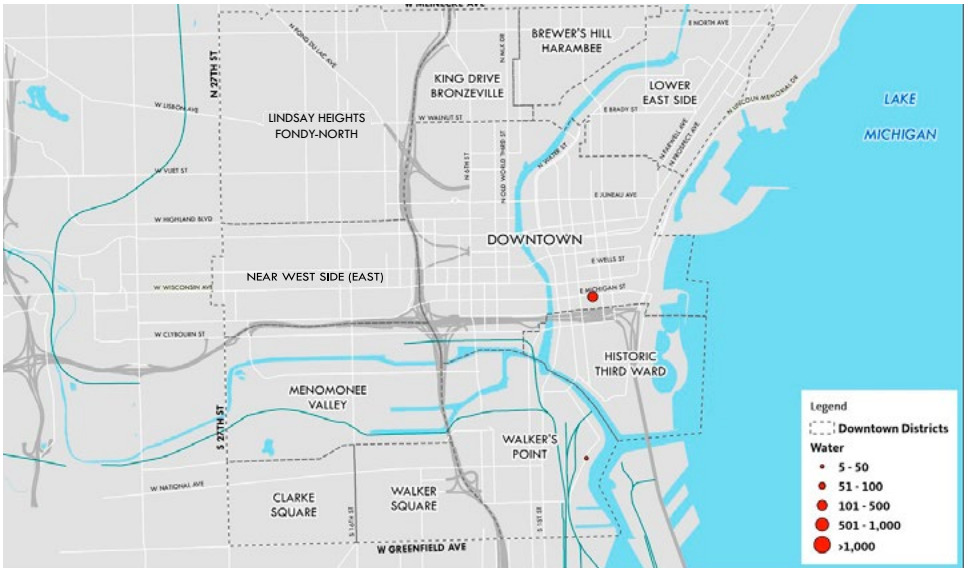
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Milwaukee Asset Clusters: Power, Automation & Controls



Milwaukee Asset Clusters: Printing



Milwaukee Asset Clusters: Water

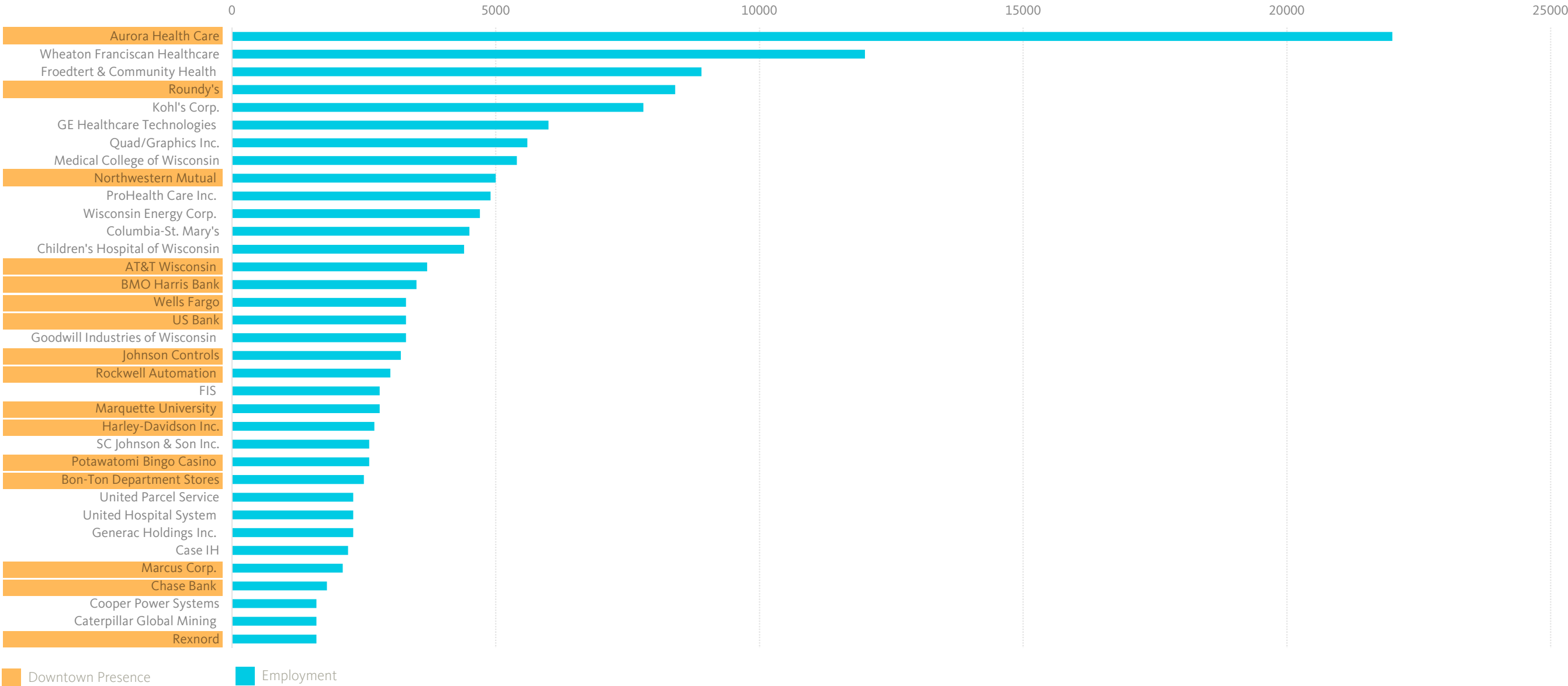
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Greater Downtown Top Employers

16 of the 35 top Milwaukee area employers are located in the Greater Downtown. Healthcare is the top employer in the Milwaukee area with finance and banking companies also employing a large number of area residents.

Milwaukee Area Top Employers



Source: Gensler, CoStar

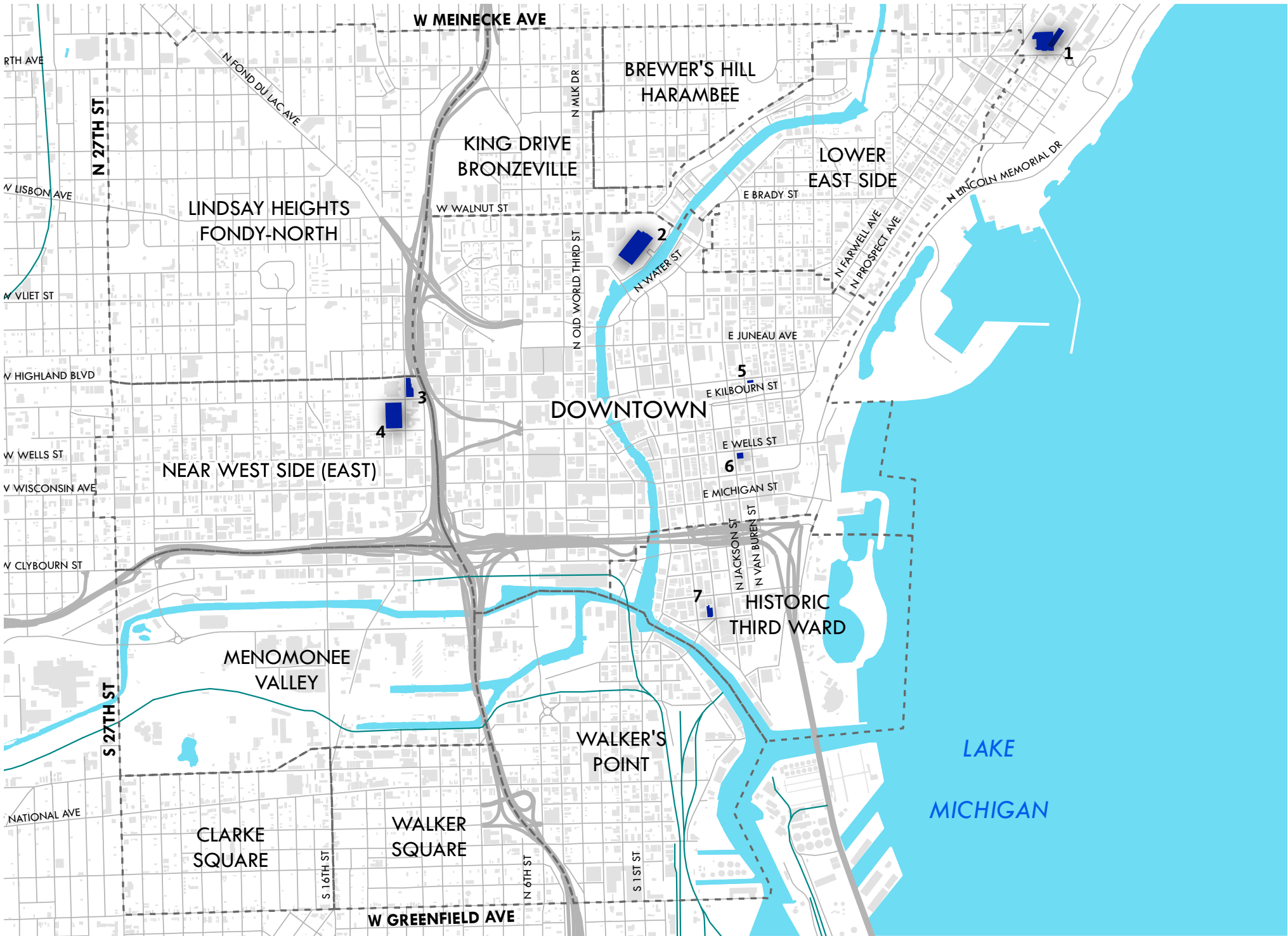


Medical Institutions

There are 7 medical institutions in the Greater Downtown with Marquette University in Near West Side (East) being the predominant educational institution.

- 1 Columbia St. Mary's Hospital Milwaukee
- 2 Aurora Health Center
- 3 Downtown Health Center
- 4 Aurora Sinai Medical Center
- 5 Aurora Urgent Care
- 6 Cathedral Square Urgent Center
- 7 Lakeshore Medical Clinic

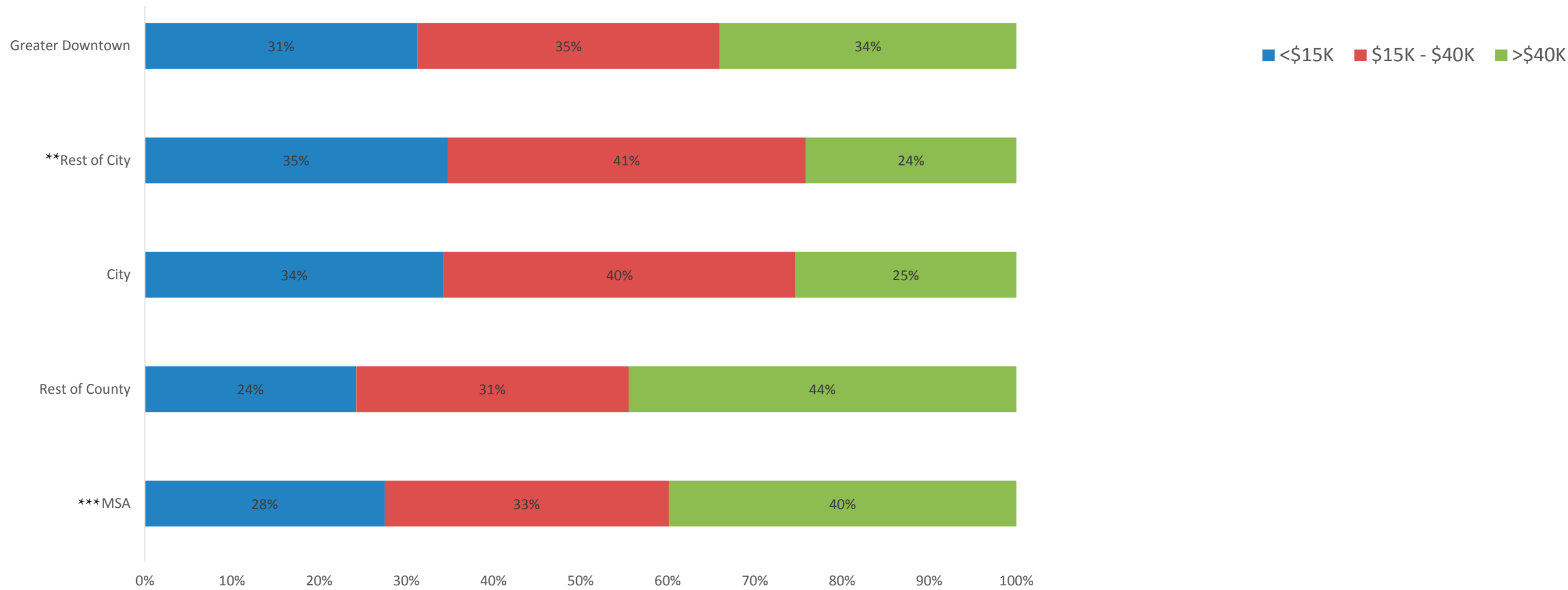
■ Medical Institutions



Wages

Only about 25% of employed city residents make over \$40,000 a year, compared to about 40% in the rest of county and region. While still lower than the rest of the county and the region, about 35% of Greater Downtown residents make less than \$40K.

Wages of Employed Residents, 2014



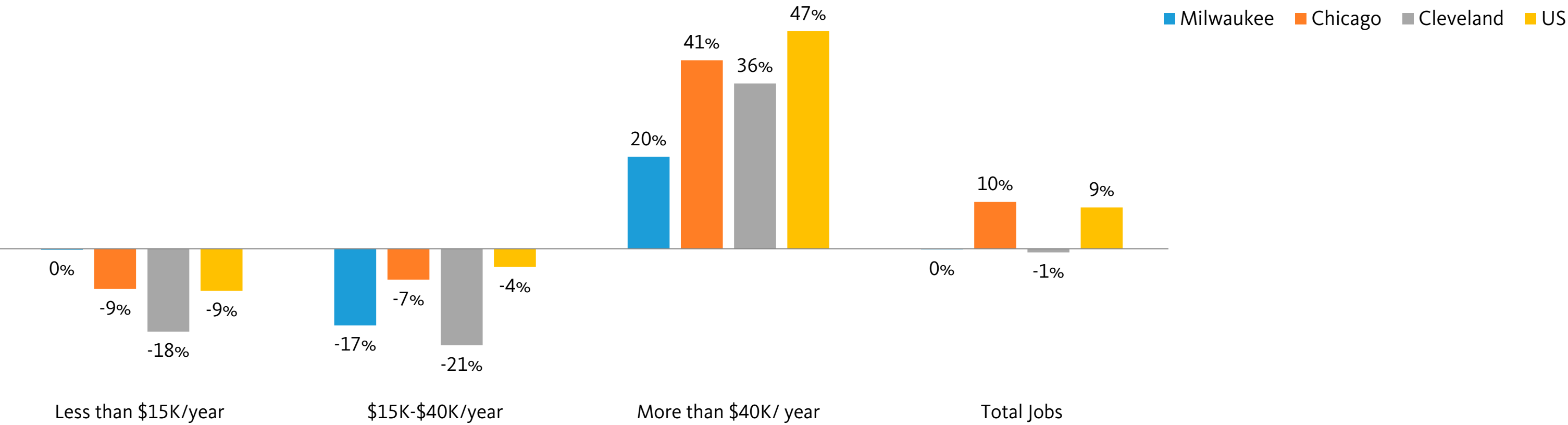
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Wages

Milwaukee lags other cities and the U.S. overall in growth of jobs paying over \$40K (at 20%, less than half the rate of growth compared to Chicago). The rest of the city is the driver of this trend: jobs paying over \$40K grew by 48% in the Greater Downtown but only by 3% in the rest of the city.

Percent Change in Private Sector Jobs by Wage, 2004-2014



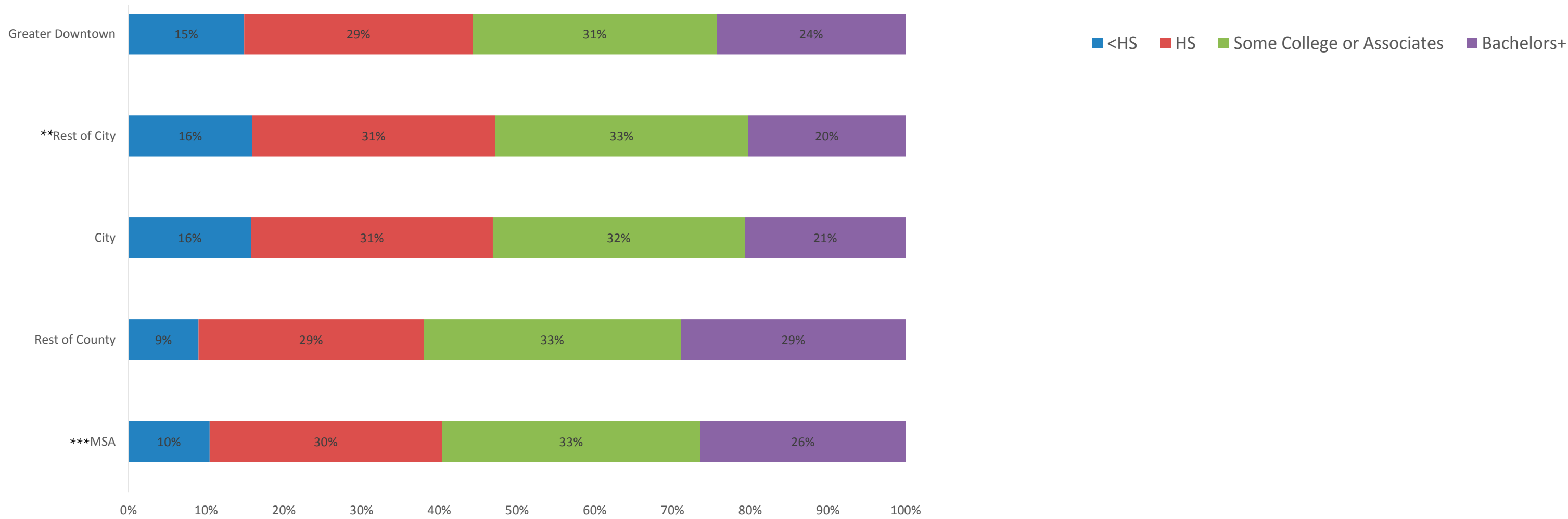
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Education Attainment

A higher proportion of employed city residents do not hold a high school diploma compared to the rest of county and region.

Educational Attainment of Employed Residents, 2014



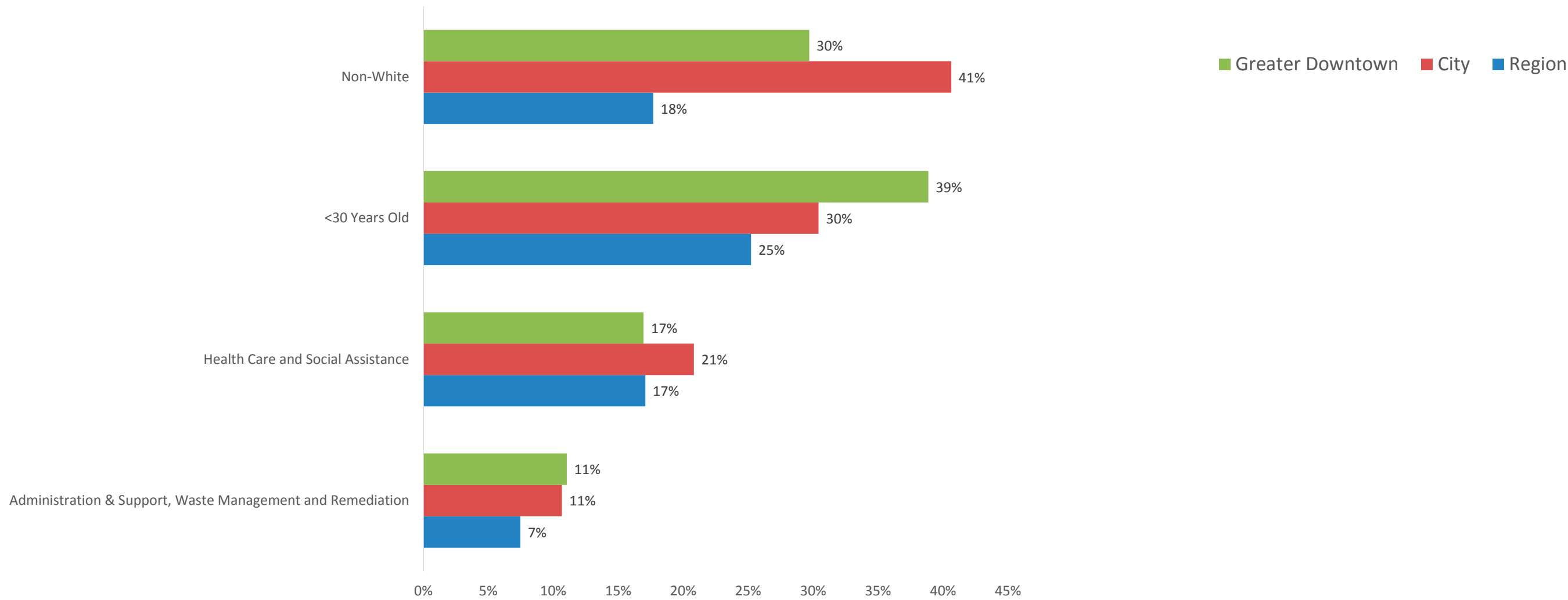
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Employed Residents

Employed city residents are disproportionately non-White, young (less than 30 years of age) and employed in Health Care + Social Assistance and Administration & Support, Waste Management and Remediation. Greater Downtown employed residents are 70% white and 60% over 30 years old.

Summary Stats of Employed Residents, 2014



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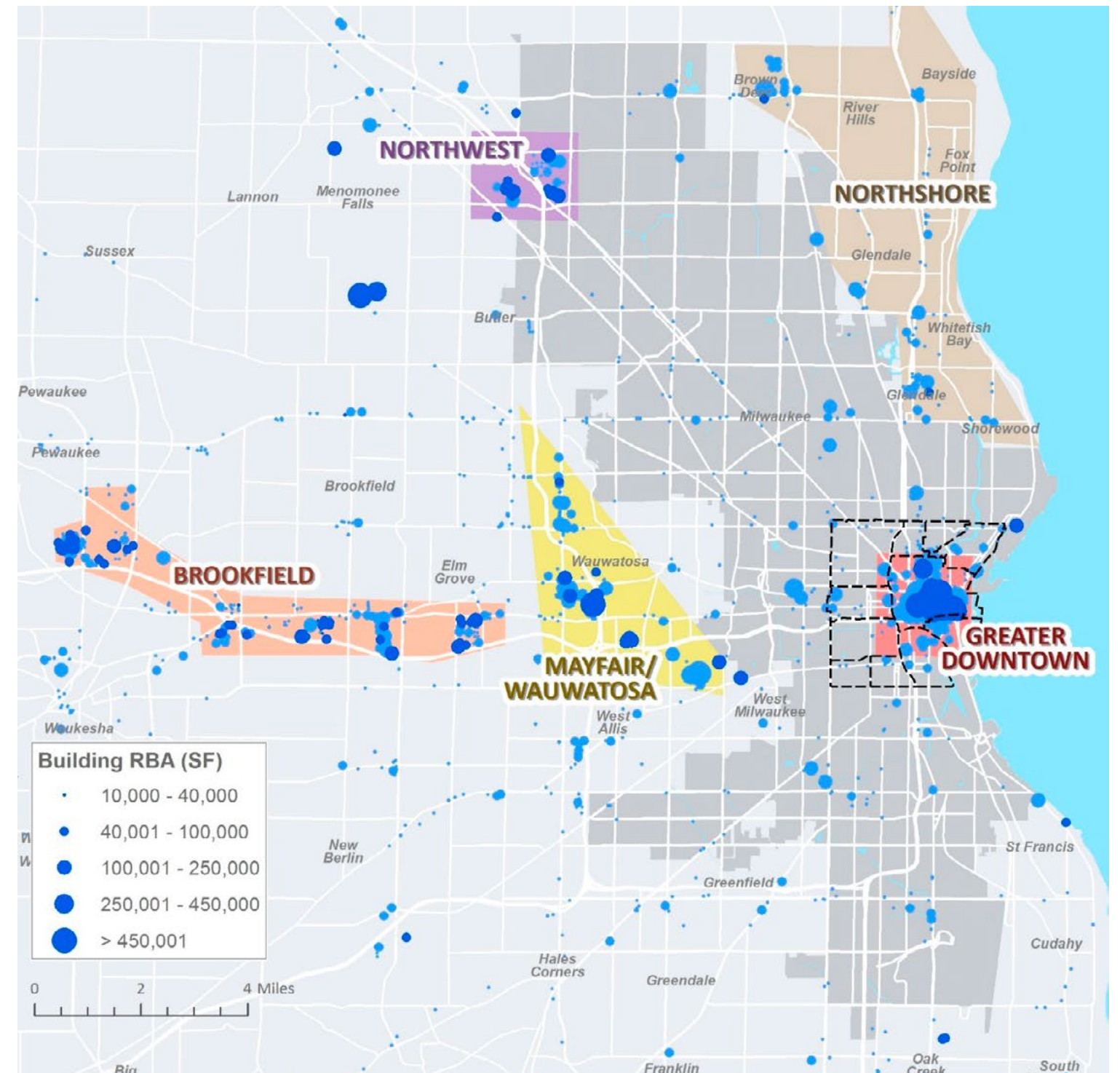


Regional Office Inventory

Greater Downtown is the Dominant Office Market in Region.

Submarkets	Class A & B		Vacancy	SF Delivered 2011-2016 (YTD)
	Total SF*	Gross Rent/SF		
Greater Downtown	21,620,213	\$18.21	9.40%	523,000
Brookfield	8,169,999	\$17.35	10.08%	70,000
Mayfair/Wauwatosa	5,930,966	\$18.28	10.34%	347,973
Northshore	4,310,452	\$15.61	10.27%	0
Northwest	2,150,814	\$14.78	12.44%	102,000

**Includes only properties over 10,000 SF*

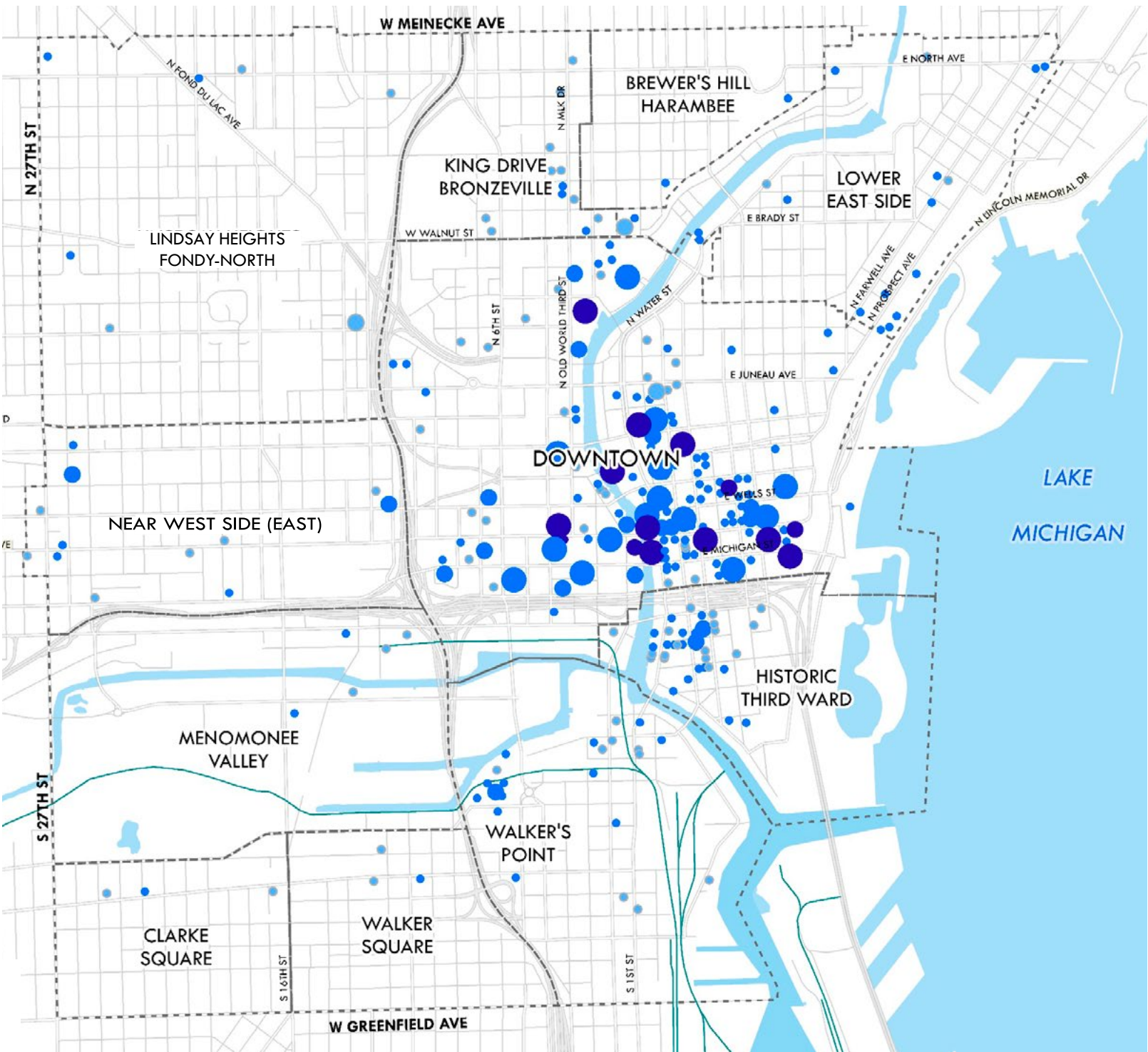
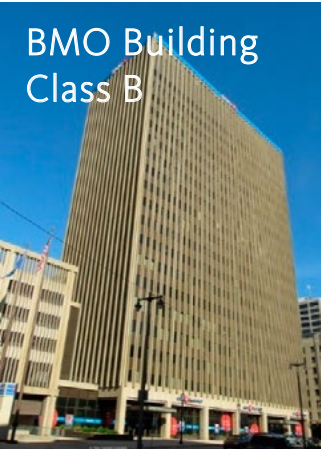
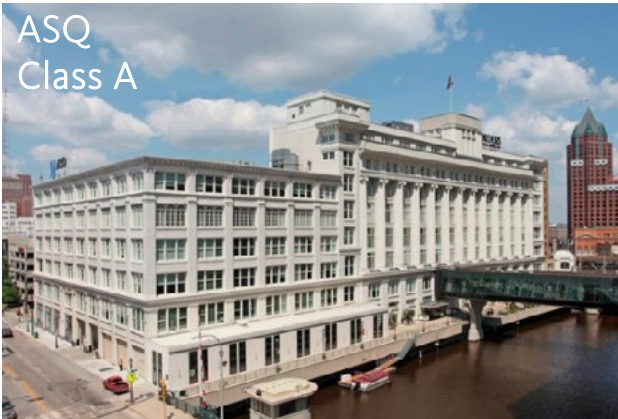
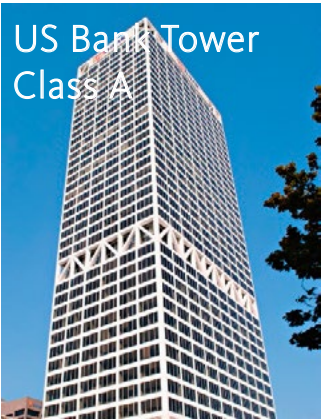


Source: CoStar, City of Milwaukee DCD

Greater Downtown Office Supply

Class A represent only 27% of total inventory and the majority is over 25 years old. The newer product such as 833 E. Michigan has more efficient floor plates and column free spaces.

Office Inventory (over 10,000 SF)	Total Rentable SF	Avg. Gross Rent PSF	Vacancy
Class A	5,905,871	\$27.30	13.3%
Class B	14,580,669	\$18.87	10.1%
Class C	3,044,754	\$15.11	8.2%
Total SF	23,531,294		



Office Class

- Class A
- Class B

Rentable Area (SF)

- 10,000 - 125,000
- 125,000 - 250,000

Source: CoStar, City of Milwaukee DCD

Class A Office Supply

There are 8 primary class A office towers in the Greater Downtown.

Primary Class A Office Towers



① 833 E Michigan St
833 East
2016
358,017
Lease-up



② 555 E Wells St
Cathedral Place
2004
216,500
6.9%



③ 1000-1040 N Water St

1989
283,450
12.0%

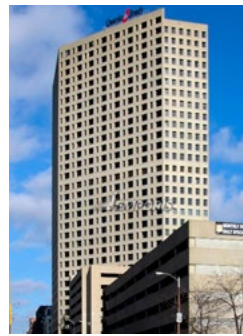


④ 111 E Kilbourn Ave
Milwaukee Center
1989
373,669
17.5%



⑤ 100 E Wisconsin
100 East Wisconsin

1989
430,865
7.9%



⑥ 411 E Wisconsin

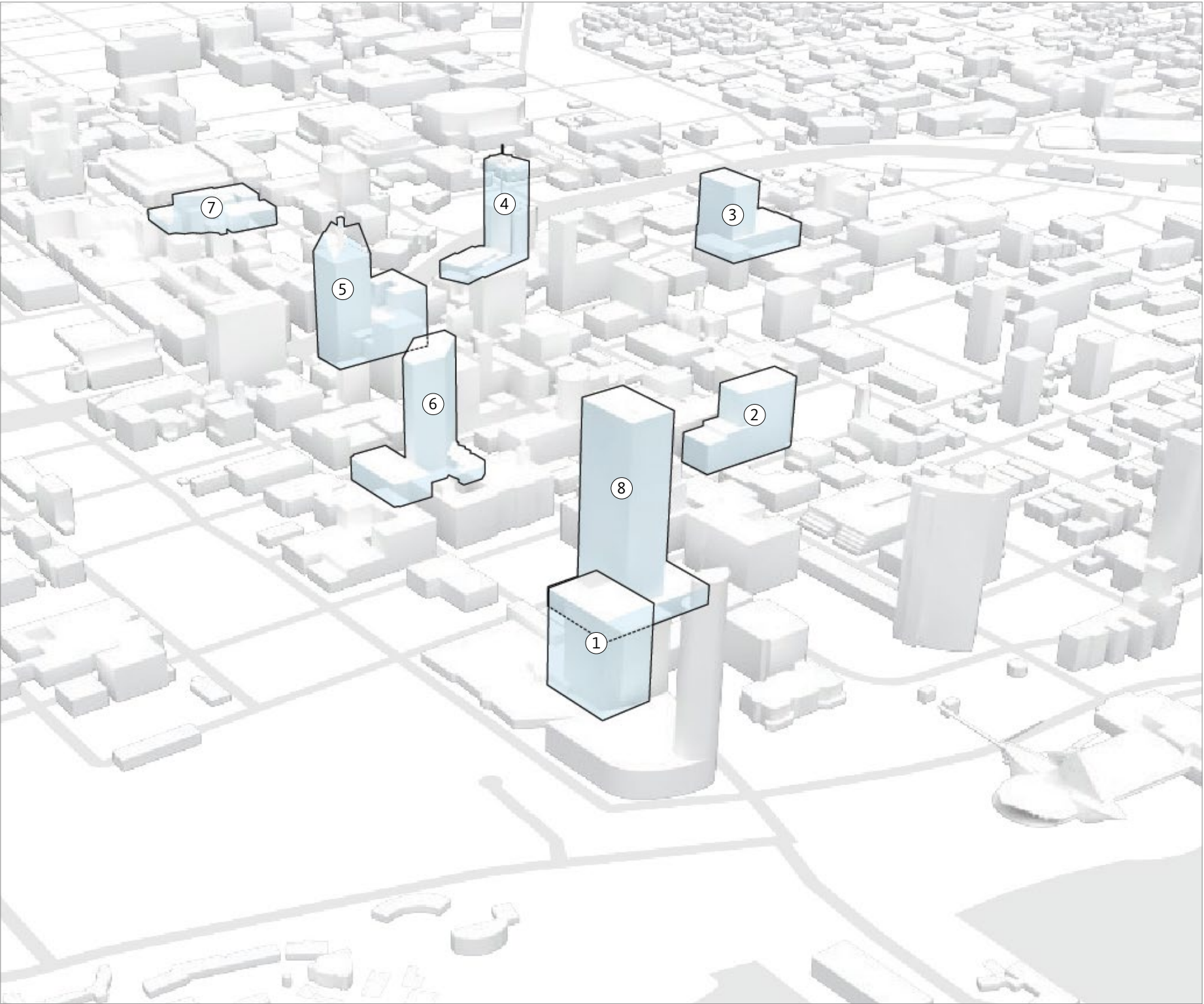
1984
791,800
8.7%



⑦ 310 W Wisconsin
The Blue
1984
589,000
20.3%



⑧ 777 E Wisconsin
US Bank Center
1971
1,079,021
0.3%



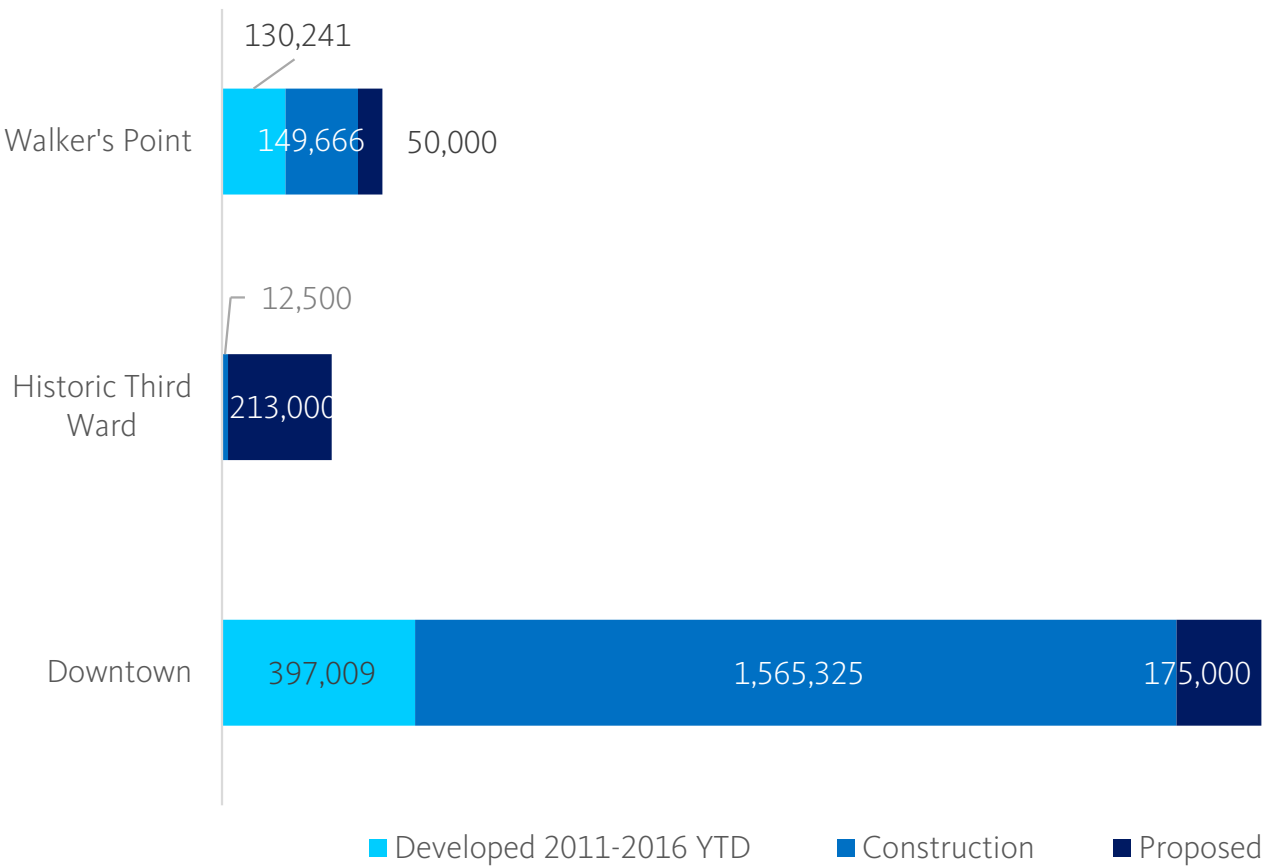
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Office Expansion

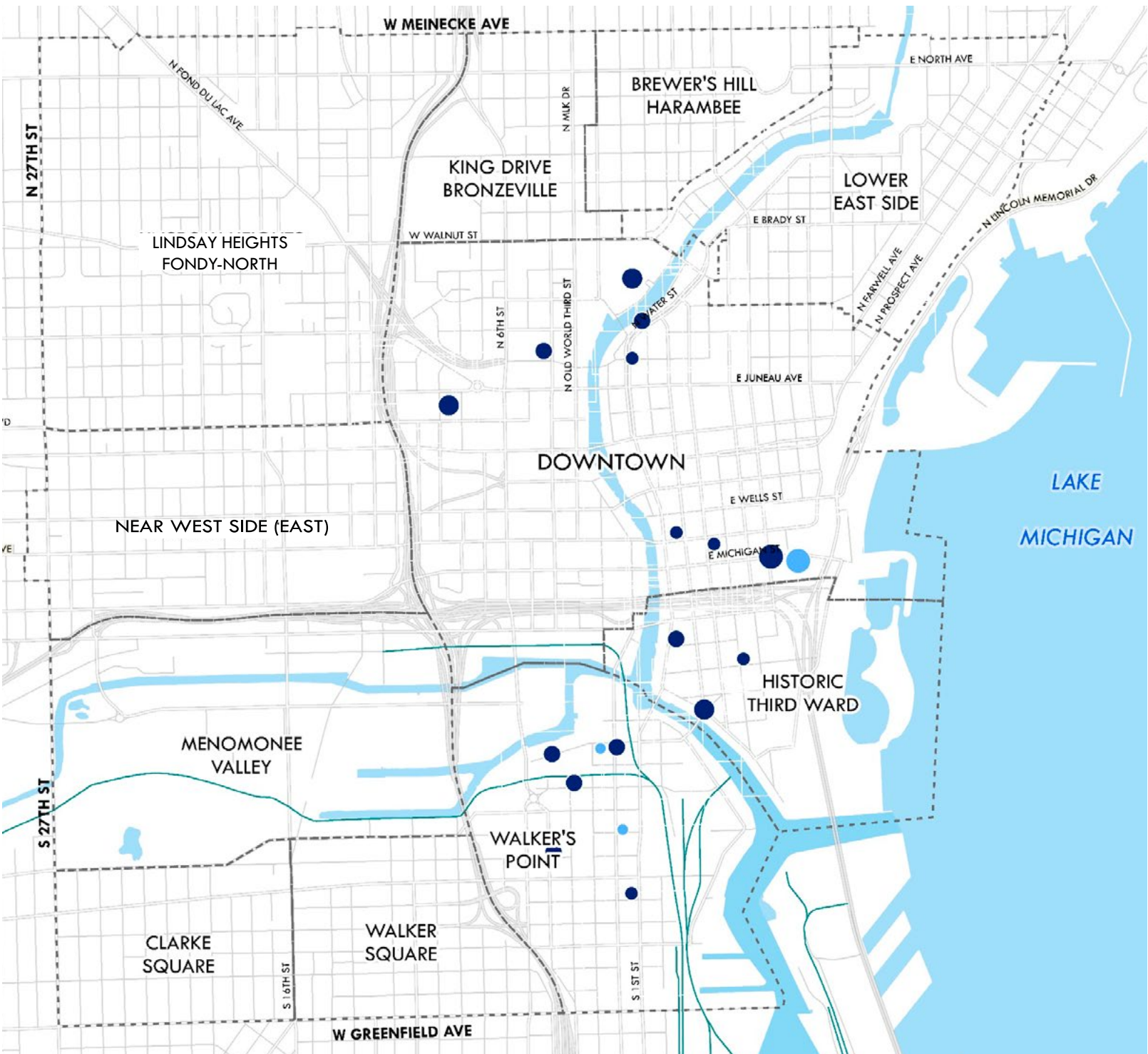
Downtown office market is expanding – 500,000 SF in the last 5 years, 1.7 million under construction and another 300,000SF proposed. New sub-markets emerging in Historic Third Ward and Walker’s Point.

Greater Downtown:

- 0.5 M SF built in past 5 years
- 1.7 M SF under construction
- 0.4 M SF proposed



Source: CoStar, City of Milwaukee DCD



Office Pipeline 2016 - 2019

New development is a mix of high rise development (Northwestern Mutual and 833 E. Michigan) in the Central Business District, and mid-rise development along the river, Walker’s Point and Historic Third Ward.

2016 DELIVERIES

Property	Sub Area	Square Feet
833 E Michigan	Downtown	358,000
Zurn HQ - Reed Street Yards	Walkers Point	52,000
250 E Wisconsin Redevelopment	Downtown	

FUTURE/PLANNED

Property	Sub Area	Square Feet
Hammes Park East	Downtown	
One Catalano Square	Historic Third Ward	168,000
Freshwater Plaza/ Reed Street Yards	Walkers Point	
Hansen Dodge Mercantile Building	Historic Third Ward	45,000
Water Tech I	Downtown	52,000

UNDER CONSTRUCTION

Property	Sub Area	Square Feet
Northwestern Mutual HQ	Downtown	1.1 M
Former Laacke & Joys Property	Downtown	113,830
411 East Wisconsin Center	Downtown	Renovation
Schlitz Park RiverCenter & Powerhouse	Downtown	290,000
Global Water Center II	Walkers Point	46,000
National Ace Hardware Redevelopment	Downtown	55,495
Red Arrow Labs	Historic Third Ward	



One Catalano Square –Build to Suit



Reed Street Yards –Build to Suit



Northwestern Mutual HQ



833 E Michigan – Multi-Tenant



Schlitz Park Powerhouse + Adaptive,



Global Water Center II - Adaptive



Source: Gensler, CoStar, City of Milwaukee DCD, BID21, PUMA

Office Permits

With the exception of new Northwestern Mutual, 833 East Michigan Avenue, and several others, there have been few new office buildings. The vast majority of new office has been in the form of renovation of existing buildings smaller office space conversions.

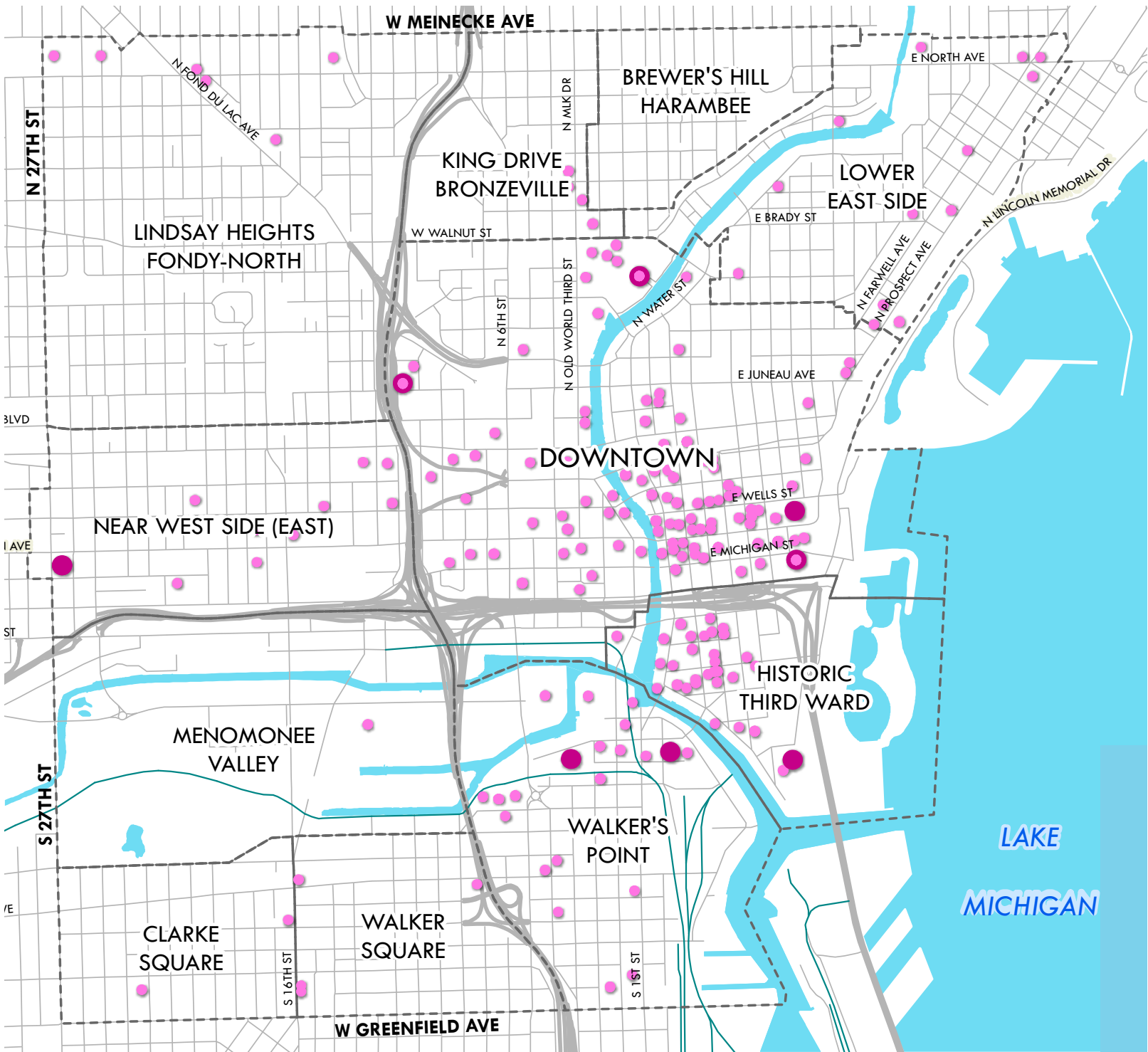
New Construction and Renovation 2012-2016

- New Construction
- Renovation

PermitType

- New Construction
- Alteration

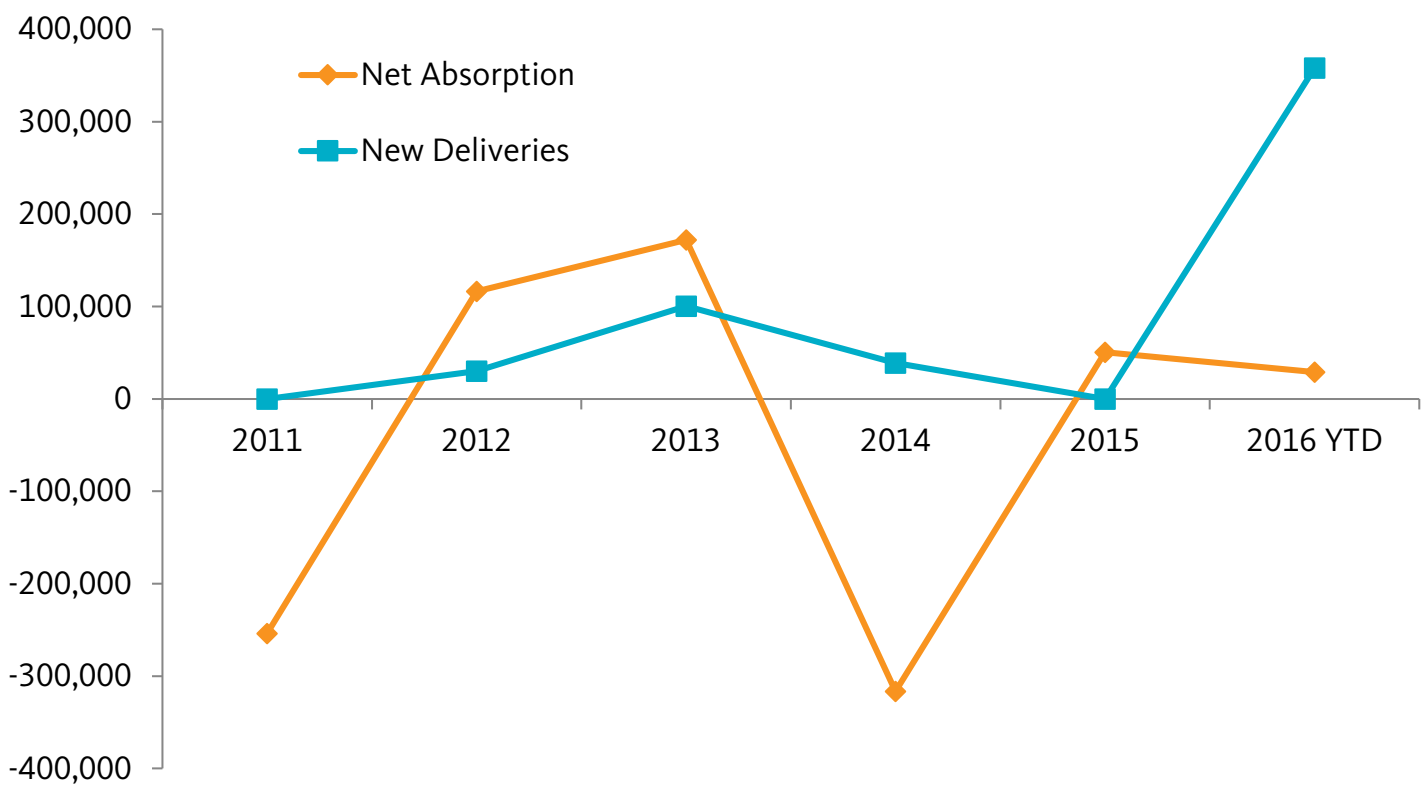
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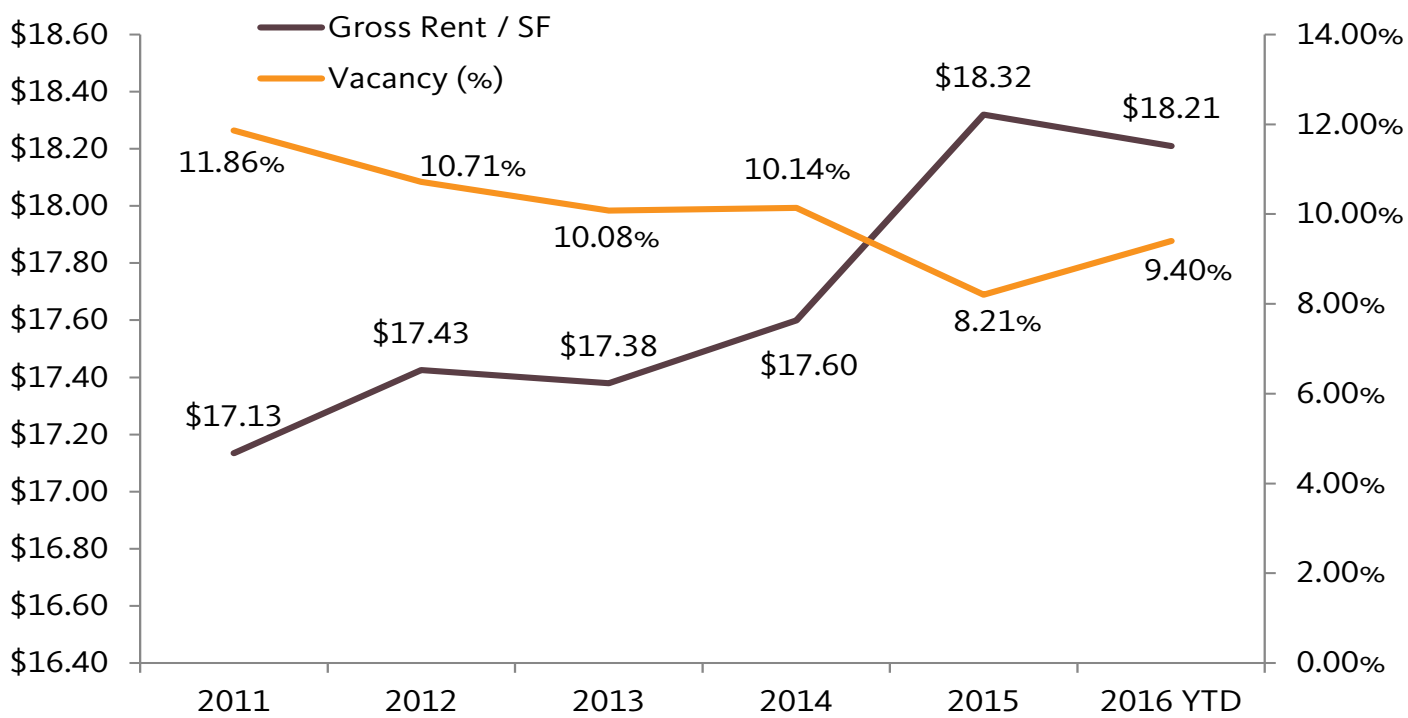
Net Absorption and Rent

Even though average annual net absorption for the last five years has been negative, vacancies have declined. This is likely due to reduction of Class B office inventory through adaptive reuse and demolition. Net absorption is expected to increase sharply in the next two years with the occupancy of Northwestern Mutual and full lease-up of 833 E. Michigan. Job growth and decline in supply has fueled rising occupancies, rents, and new office development in the past 5 years.

Class A & B Absorption & New Deliveries



Class A & B Gross Rent & Vacancy 2011 - 2016 YTD



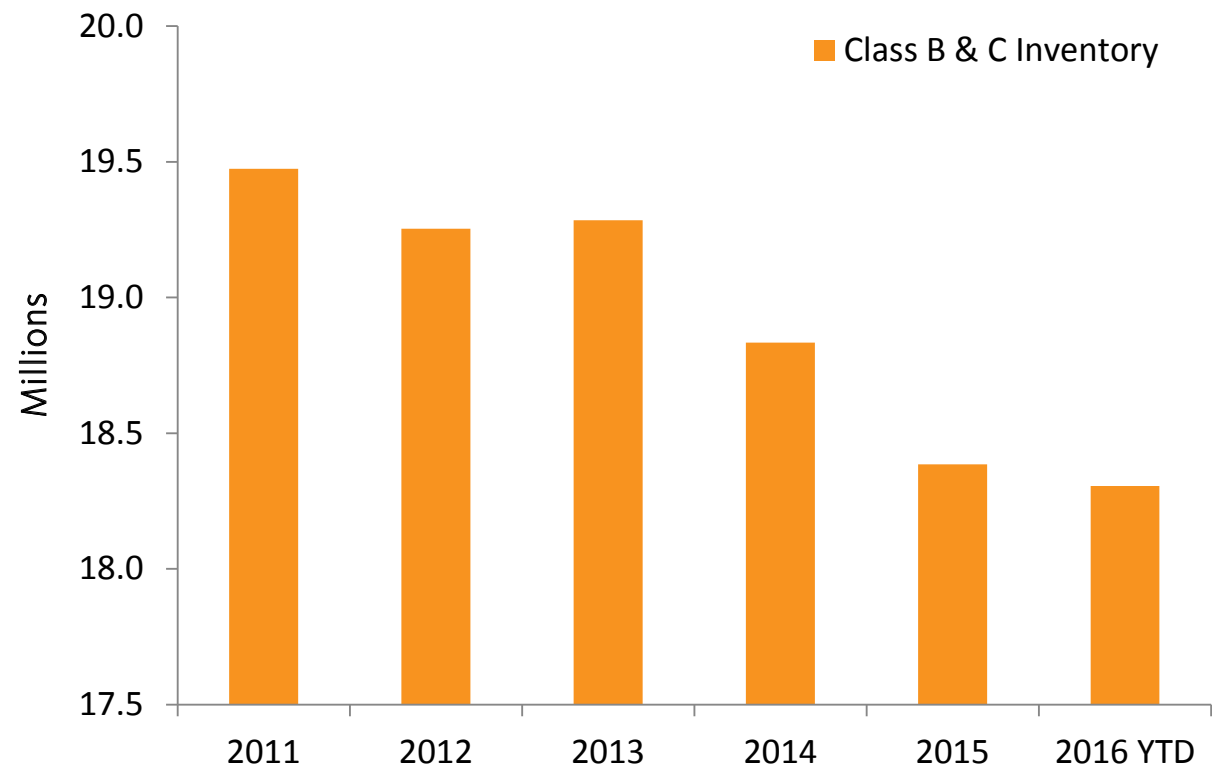
Source: CoStar, SB Friedman



Adaptive Reuse: Class B & C Conversion

There has been a decline in class B and C office stock, representing a net change of 1.2 million SF of office space. This is mostly due to older office building being converted to residential or hotel uses.

Study Area: Decline in Class C & B Office Inventory (SF)



Office to Hotel Conversions



Office to Residential Conversions



Source: CoStar, City of Milwaukee DCD