

University Study Finds No Recent Progress in Increasing Racial Integration



A study of 2010 census data by John Logan, a professor of sociology at Brown University, and Brian Stults, a sociologist at Florida State University, finds that although the United States is becoming increasingly diverse, racial integration of the nation's neighborhoods is not occurring.

The study found that the racial segregation of American neighborhoods peaked around 1960. There was slow progress in increasing racial integration between 1980 and 2000. But since then progress has come to a halt, according to Logan and Stults. Today the average white person in an urban area lives in a neighborhood that is 77 percent white. The average black person lives in a majority-black neighborhood.