

### **Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) Update**

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### OVERVIEW

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- Separation, Hire, and Headcount Trends
  - TPU Wide
  - By Gender
  - By Race
- Next Steps



#### BACKGROUND

- In 2014, the City Council adopted Equity and Empowerment Framework, including the goal that the Workforce Reflects the Community it Serves.
- In 2018, Human Resources refined its collection process and categories for race/ethnicity data for improved reporting.
- In March 2021, Human Resources launched the Equitable Recruiting and Selection Program.
- In May 2021, the final Workforce Equity Study report was published.



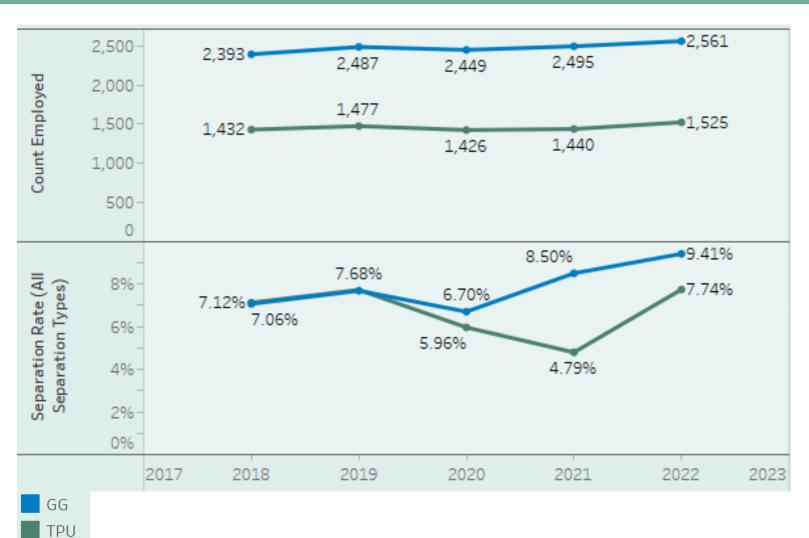
#### Definitions

We will be using these icons in the presentation:

- ✓ Positive data point
- Something to watch
- Undesirable data point

### General Government and TPU •••• Headcount and Separation Rates





### TPU Employees, Hires, and Separations







### Gender – Summary

- ✓ Females had higher retention in 2020 and 2021 than other years.
- The percent of hires who identify as female has sharply declined over the last five years.
- There is marginal progress towards more female representation in the workplace.

# Gender – Voluntary Separation Rates



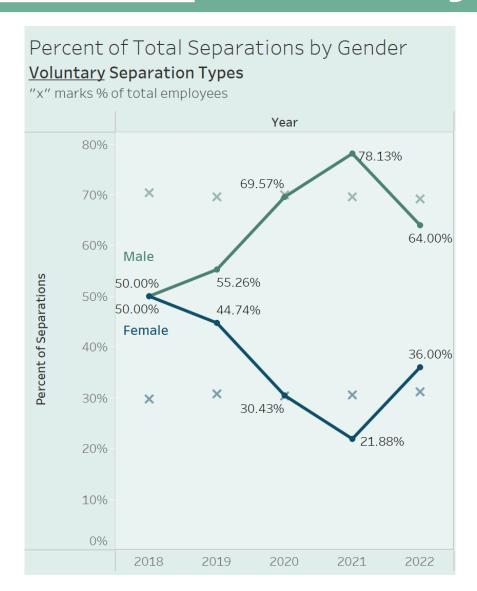


✓ Females had drastically lower voluntary separation rates in 2020 and 2021.

Voluntary separation rates spiked in 2022 for both females and males.

# Gender – Percent of Voluntary Separations



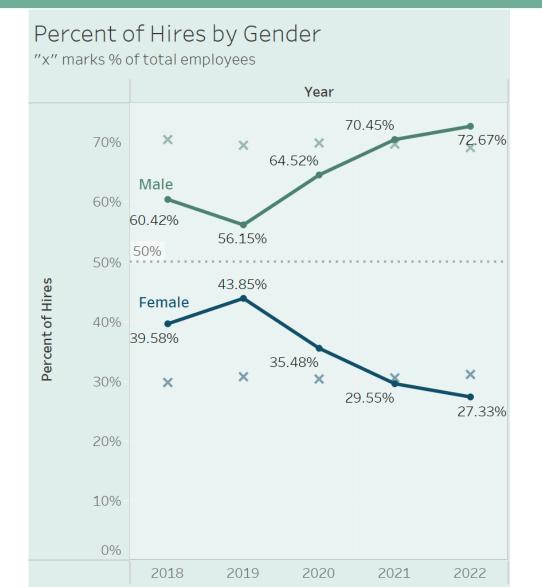


✓ Sharp decline in female proportion of voluntary separations from 2018-2021.

2022 reversed the trend, watch for return to drastic disproportionate voluntary separations.



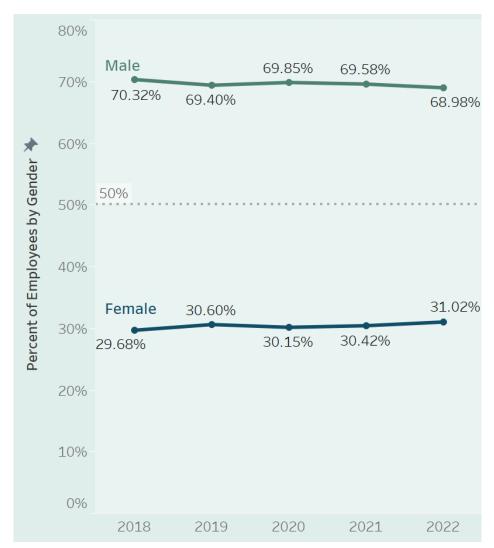
### Gender – Hires



Since 2019, there is a sharp downward trend in the percentage of hires who identify as female



### Gender – Employees



In TPU's overall workforce, there is a marginal increase in the percentage of employees who identify as female.

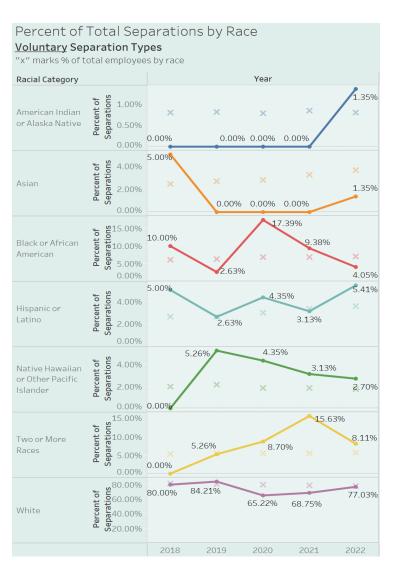


### Race/Ethnicity - Summary

- BIPOC employees voluntarily separate at disproportionately higher rates compared to their representation in the workforce.
- ✓ There has been a general increase in percentage of BIPOC hires.
- ✓ Generally, BIPOC representation is increasing.
- Hispanic or Latino community members are underrepresented in the workforce by 8%.
- ✓ As of 2022, White employees are overrepresented in the workforce by 12%, down from 15% in 2018.

# Race/Ethnicity – Interpreting Graphs

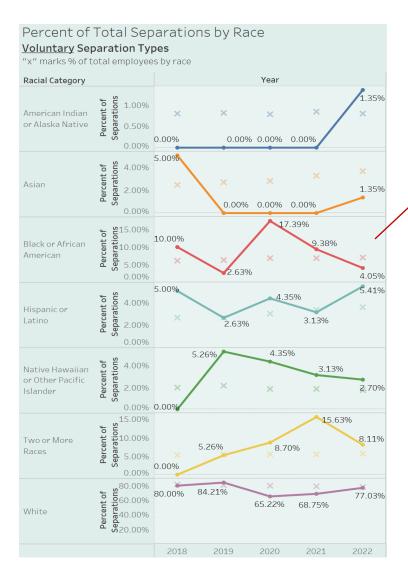


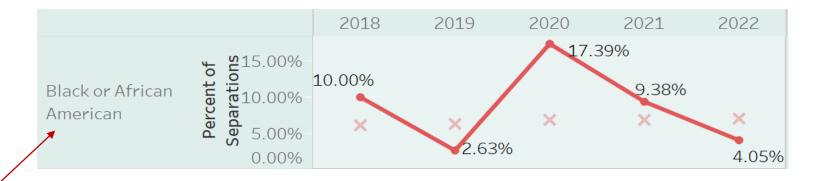


- In the following slides, a gap
  between the line and the "x" shows
  activity disproportionate to the racial
  category's percentage of the
  workforce.
- For separations, if the line is above the "x", we're losing ground.
- For hires, if the line is above the "x", we're making progress.

## Race/Ethnicity – Voluntary Separations



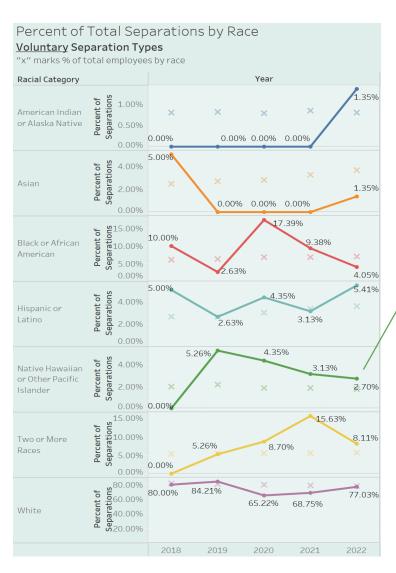




- In 2020, employees who identify as Black or African American made up 7% of employees, but spiked to 17% of voluntary separations.
- ✓ The spike did not continue into 2021 and 2022.

## Race/Ethnicity – Voluntary Separations



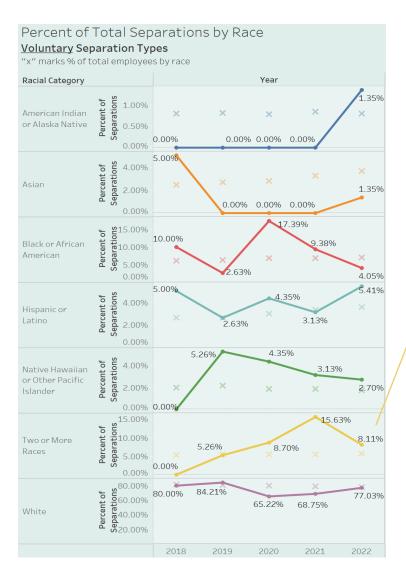




✓ Over the past four years, the gap of disproportionate separations by employees who identify as Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander has been narrowing.

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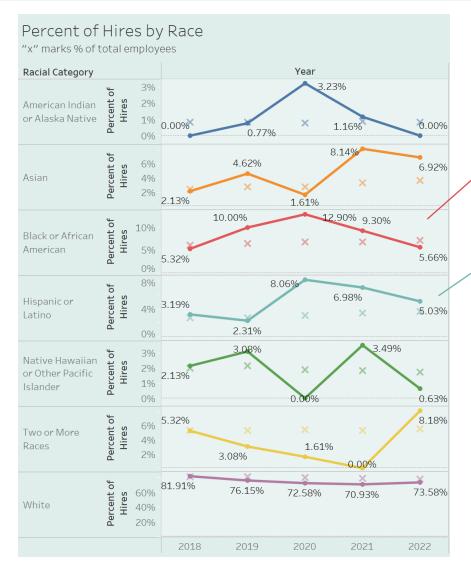




- In 2021, employees of Two or More Races made up 5% of employees, but had a spike to 16% of voluntary separations.
- ✓ The spike did not continue into 2022.



#### Race/Ethnicity – Hires





After higher proportions of hires in 2020, there has been a two-year trend of lower hires for those who identify as Black or African American or Hispanic or Latino.



### Race/Ethnicity – Hires

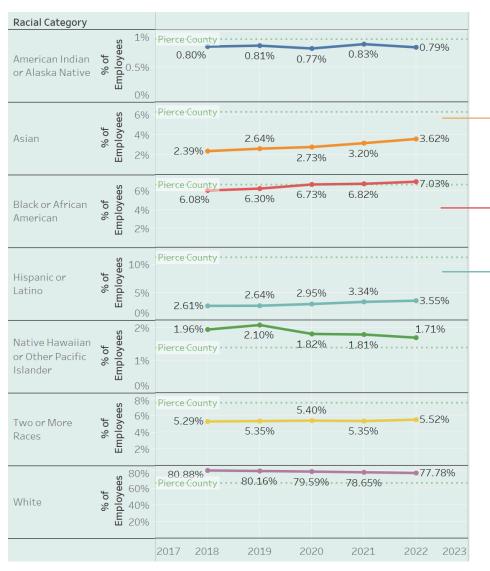


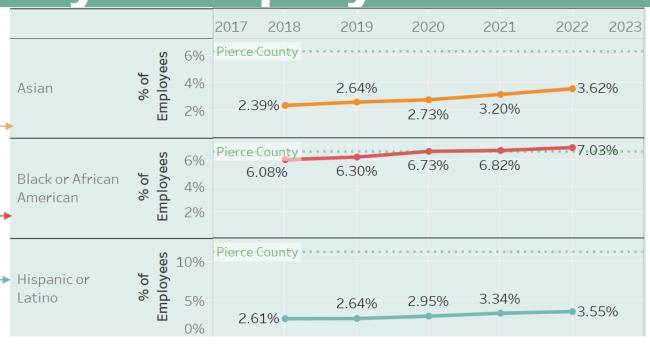


- ✓ There has been a general downward trend in percentage of hires who identify as white.
- There was an uptick in 2022.



### Race/Ethnicity – Employees

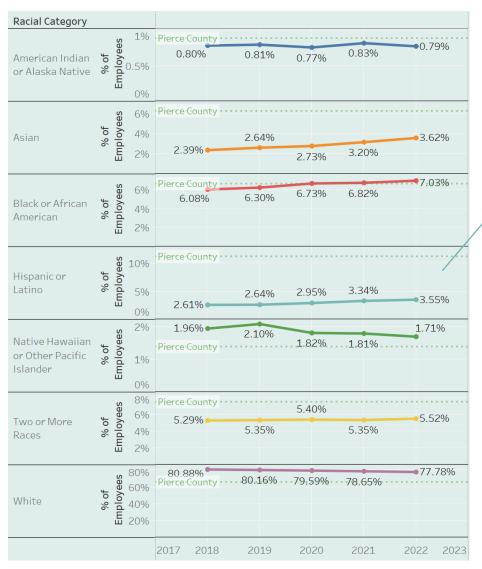


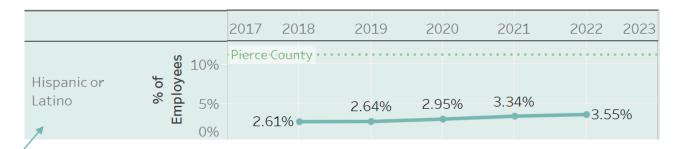


✓ There has been a slow, steady increase in percentage of employees who identify as Asian, Black or African American, or 19 Hispanic or Latino.



### Race/Ethnicity – Employees





• 11.3% of Pierce County residents identify as Hispanic or Latino. In 2022, only 3.55% of TPU employees identified as Hispanic or Latino. This is the widest gap of underrepresentation.



#### Conclusion

TPU has shown progress towards increased representation of both female and BIPOC employees.



### NEXT STEPS

- Continue to focus on hiring underrepresented populations.
- Focus on retention of underrepresented populations.
- Better understanding of the stories behind the data.
- Better view of separation reasons to inform retention strategies.