



guideline was used). For populations living below the poverty level, the “meaningfully greater” threshold was used. This represents tracts that have a percentage of 26.4% or more.

TABLE 5-22
ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE EVALUATION OF CENSUS TRACTS IN PROJECT CORRIDOR

Geographic Area	Total Population 2000	Percent Minority ²	Percent Hispanic	Percent Below Poverty ¹
Dallas County	2,218,899	41.6%	29.9%	13.2%
Study Area	54,535	45.8%	40.1%	13.4%
Study Area by Census Tracts				
4.03	6,425	40.2%	89.1%	16.1%
72.01	10,690	54.1%	90.9%	27.4%
99	1,390	55.1%	45.8%	28.8%
100	9,614	50.8%	17.7%	43.0%
141.03	3,465	64.5%	34.1%	16.6%
141.12	3,582	51.1%	14.1%	7.8%
141.25	5,880	38.4%	9.1%	5.4%
142.01	2,207	13.0%	6.3%	2.7%
142.04	2,354	48.1%	17.5%	18.8%
143.04	7,729	37.2%	9.4%	6.3%
148.01	1,199	27.6%	48.1%	14.4%

¹ Individuals with incomes below the poverty level in 1999 as reported in the 2000 Census.
² Racial Minority is defined as the population identifying themselves as non-white in the 2000 Census.

Source: 2000 U.S. Census

Figure 5-5 depicts a 2000 Census Tract map illustrating the location of the census tracts that qualified as having a high percentage of minority, Hispanic or low-income populations.

Five of the tracts have a high percentage of minority persons, two a high percentage of Hispanics and three have a high percentage of persons below poverty level. **Table 5-23** below outlines the tracts that were examined for adverse impacts.

TABLE 5-23
ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE CENSUS TRACTS
WITH HIGH POVERTY, MINORITY, OR HISPANIC POPULATIONS

Tract	Total Population	Percent Minority	Percent Hispanic	Percent Below Poverty
4.03	6,425	40.2%	89.1%	16.1%
72.01	10,690	54.1%	90.9%	27.4%
99.00	1,390	55.1%	45.8%	28.8%
100.00	9,614	50.8%	17.7%	43.0%
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These census tracts were analyzed for impacts related to the LRT alignment and stations. In Tract 72.01, there are two business displacements due to real estate acquisitions for the alignment in this location. A mini-warehouse and a small retail store would be displaced. There are several other commercial locations within the area that these businesses could relocate to. Both of these businesses have very low employment and the employment loss due to these displacements is very small. For these reasons, no disproportionately high and adverse impacts were identified in this tract.

At this time, no additional adverse impacts were identified for any of the remaining EJ tracts. This will be reexamined as design on the project advances and will be addressed further in the Final EIS.