

Metropolitan Board and Commission Demographic Data 2024

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Demographic Data for Each Metropolitan Board and Commission

The Metropolitan Clerk's Office is providing the following demographic data pursuant to Metropolitan Code of Laws Section 2.64.060 for boards and commissions whose members are elected or confirmed in whole or in part by the Metropolitan Council.

This report captures data available to the Metropolitan Clerk's Office as of September 27, 2024.

Eligibility and Appointing Authority

Certain state and local regulations require designated seats to be filled by members with specified qualifications, while other seats are filled by Metro officials in an ex officio capacity coinciding with the position to which they are elected or appointed. In addition, some members are appointed by agencies not otherwise affiliated with the Metropolitan Government. These membership requirements are noted.

Demographic Data for Boards and Commissions



Action Commission (18 members)

Five (5) members are democratically chosen to represent economically disadvantaged populations.

2024 2023 61% Black or African American 50% Black or African American 6% Asian 6% Asian 6% Hispanic or Latino 11% White 11% White 33% Vacant 17% Vacant 50% Female 50% Female 17% Male 33% Male 33% Vacant 17% Vacant

Agricultural Extension Board (7 members)

2024

29% Black or African American
57% White
29% Black or African American
14% Vacant
71% White

43% Female
29% Male
57% Male
14% Other/Prefer Not To Say
14% Vacant

Airport Authority (7 members)

Two (2) members must hold an airman's certificate; one (1) member must have been a licensed engineer for at least five (5) years; one (1) member must have been a licensed attorney for at least five (5) years; and other members should be industry, commerce, and finance professionals.

2024	2023
29% Black or African American	29% Black or African American
71% White	43% White
	29% Vacant
43% Female	
57% Male	43% Female
	29% Male
	29% Vacant

Arts Commission (15 members)

2024	2023
40% Black or African American	27% Black or African American
7% Asian	7% Hispanic or Latino
53% White	67% White
73% Female	53% Female
27% Male	40% Male
	7% Non-Binary

Audit Committee (6 members)

The Vice Mayor and Metro Finance director serve as ex officio members; one (1) member is selected by the Nashville Area Chamber of Commerce; one (1) member is selected by the Nashville Chapter of the TN Society of Certified Public Accounts; and two (2) members are Council Members elected by the Council.

2024 2023

100% White 33% Black or African American

50% White

50% Female 17% Vacant

50% Male

50% Female 33% Male 17% Vacant

Auditorium Commission (7 members)

2024 2023

29% Black or African American 29% Black or African American

71% White 14% Hispanic or Latino

57% White

43% Female

57% Male 43% Female

57% Male

Beer Permit Board (7 members)

2024 2023

43% Black or African American 29% Black or African American

14% Hispanic or Latino 14% Hispanic or Latino

43% White 57% White

71% Female 57% Female 29% Male 43% Male

Bicycle and Pedestrian Advisory Commission (13 members)

2024 2023

31% Black or African American

54% White N/A

8% Other

8% Vacant

38% Female

54% Male

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8% Vacant

CATV Committee (7 members)

2024 2023

43% Black or African American 29% Black or African American

43% White57% White14% Vacant14% Vacant

43% Female57% Female43% Male29% Male14% Vacant14% Vacant

Charter Revision Commission (7 members)

2024 2023

29% Black or African American
71% White
29% Black or African American
71% White

57% Female 57% Female 43% Male 43% Male

Civil Service Commission (5 members)

2024 2023

40% Black or African American40% Black or African American40% White60% White

20% Vacant

40% Female 40% Male 40% Male

Community Review Board (7 members)

20% Vacant

14% Vacant

2024 2023 (Community Oversight Board)

29% Black or African American 55% African American

43% White 27% White 14% American Indian or Alaska Native 18% Vacant

14% Vacant

27% Female

14% Female55% Male71% Male18% Vacant

Convention Center Authority (9 members)

2024 2023

33% Black or African American 33% Black or African American

22% Asian22% Asian44% White44% White

67% Female 67% Female 33% Male 33% Male

Electric Power Board (5 members)

2024 2023

20% Black or African American 20% Black or African American

20% Hispanic or Latino 20% Hispanic or Latino

60% White 60% White

40% Female40% Female60% Male60% Male

Emergency Communications District Board (9 members)

2024 2023

33% Black or African American 33% Black or African American

44% White 44% White 22% Vacant 22% Vacant

56% Female
22% Male
22% Vacant
22% Vacant
56% Female
22% Vacant

Employee Benefit Board (10 members)

The Metro Finance and Human Resources directors are ex officio members; one (1) member is selected by the Metro Nashville Police Department; one (1) member is selected by the Nashville Fire Department; two (2) members are elected by Metro employees; one (1) member is a retired Metro employee; and three (3) members are appointed by the Mayor and confirmed by Council, one (1) of whom must have at least ten (10) years of professional business experience.

2024 2023

10% Black or African American 10% Hispanic or Latino

10% Hispanic or Latino 90% White

80% White

40% Female

30% Female 60% Male

70% Male

Equalization Board (5 members, 9 alternate members)

The board consists of five (5) members and nine (9) alternates at the time of reporting. All members' and alternates' data are included.

2024 2023

36% Black or African American 29% Black or African American

64% White 71% White

43% Female 50% Female 50% Male 50% Male

Fair Commissioners Board (5 members)

2024 2023

40% Black or African American 40% Black or African American

20% Hispanic or Latino 20% Hispanic or Latino

20% White20% White20% Vacant20% Vacant

80% Male 20% Vacant 20% Vacant

Farmers Market Board (5 members)

2024 2023

40% Black or African American 40% Black or African American

40% Hispanic or Latino 20% Hispanic or Latino

20% White 40% White

40% Female40% Female60% Male60% Male

Financial Oversight Committee for Coronavirus Fiscal Recovery Funds (9 members)

2024 2023

45% Black or African American 45% Black or African American

22% Hispanic or Latino 22% Hispanic or Latino

33% White 33% White

56% Female 56% Female 44% Male 44% Male

Fire and Building Code Appeals Board (9 members)

The board includes one (1) architect, one (1) civil or construction engineer, one (1) mechanical engineer, one (1) building construction and materials professional, one (1) labor representative, one (1) business or finance professional, one (1) mechanical contractor, and two (2) fire prevention specialists.

2024	2023
11% Asian	11% Asian
89% White	78% White
	11% Vacant
33% Female	
67% Male	22% Female
	67% Male
	11% Vacant

Health, Board of (7 members)

The board includes three (3) board certified medical doctors with at least five years' experience each, one (1) of whom must be a psychiatrist; and one (1) registered nurse. This board increased to seven (7) members by a Charter amendment in 2022.

2024	2023
43% Black or African American	43% African American
57% White	14% Hispanic or Latino
	43% White
86% Female	
14% Male	86% Female
	14% Male

Health and Educational Facilities Board (7 members)

2024	2023
43% Black or African American 57% White	43% Black or African American 57% White
71% Female	57% Female
29% Male	43% Male

Historic Zoning Commission (9 members)

The commission includes one (1) registered architect; one (1) member elected by the Metro Planning Commission; one (1) member elected by the Metro Historical Commission; two (2) members who reside within an historic overlay district; and two (2) members who either own property in, or operate businesses on property located within, the Downtown Code area, which property must also either be listed on the National Register of Historic Places or be located within an historic overlay district.

2024
2023
11% Black or African American
11% Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander
78% White
11% Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander
67% White
33% Female
67% Male
44% Female
56% Male

Historical Commission (15 members)

2024
20% Black or African American
7% Hispanic or Latino
7% Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander
67% White

47% Female
53% Male

20% Black or African American
7% Hispanic or Latino
7% Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander
67% White

53% Female
47% Male

Hospital Authority (11 members)

The board includes three (3) board certified medical doctors with at least five years' experience each, one (1) of whom must be trained in psychiatric medicine or psychology; and one (1) registered nurse.

2024

55% Black or African American

9% Asian

9% Hispanic or Latino

27% White

45% Female

45% Female

55% Male

Housing Trust Fund Commission (7 members)

2024202329% Black or African American14% Black or African American29% Hispanic or Latino14% Hispanic or Latino29% White43% White14% Unknown/Unavailable29% Unknown/Unavailable57% Female57% Female43% Male43% Male

Human Relations Commission (17 members)

2024 2023

41% Black or African American 41% Black or African American

6% Asian 12% Asian

12% Hispanic or Latino 29% Hispanic or Latino

35% White 18% White

6% Vacant

53% Female

53% Female 47% Male

35% Male 6% Other 6% Vacant

Industrial Development Board (9 members)

2024 2023

44% Black or African American 33% Black or African American

22% Hispanic or Latino 22% Hispanic or Latino

33% White 33% White

11% Vacant

33% Female
67% Male
33% Female

56% Male 11% Vacant

Mechanical, Plumbing, and Electrical Examiners Appeals Board (9 members)

One (1) licensed metropolitan/state gas/mechanical contractor. One (1) union, licensed metropolitan/state gas/mechanical contractor. One (1) licensed metropolitan/state plumbing contractor. One (1) union, licensed metropolitan/state plumbing contractor. One (1) registered metropolitan/state electrical contractor. One union, registered metropolitan/state electrical contractor. One (1) mechanical engineer registered with the State of Tennessee. One (1) electrical engineer registered with the State of Tennessee. One (1) member from the public at large as representative of the mayor.

2024 2023

11% Black or African American 11% Black or African American

89% White 89% White

22% Female 11% Female 78% Male 89% Male

Metro Development and Housing Agency (7 members)

2024 2023

43% Black or African American 57% Black or African American

14% Hispanic or Latino 43% White

43% White

57% Female 29% Male

43% Male

Nashville Education, Community, and Arts Television (12 members)

2024 2023

17% Black or African American 17% Black or African American

42% White 50% White 42% Vacant 33% Vacant

17% Female17% Female42% Male50% Male42% Vacant33% Vacant

Nashville Music, Film, and Entertainment Commission (15 members)

Four (4) members shall be appointed by the mayor and confirmed by the council. Three (3) members shall be selected by the council from nominations submitted by council members. Four (4) members shall be selected by the council from nominations submitted from the Entertainment Industry at large. One (1) member shall be selected by the International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees (IATSE). One (1) member shall be selected by the Screen Actors Guild - American Federation of Television and Radio Artists (SAG-AFTRA). One (1) member shall be selected by the American Federation of Musicians (AFM). One (1) member shall be selected by the Nashville Songwriters Association International (NSAI).

2024 2023

27% Black or African American 27% Black or African American

7% Asian 67% White 60% White 7% Vacant

7% Vacant

27% Female

27% Female 67% Male 67% Male 7% Vacant

7% Vacant

Parks and Recreation Board (7 members)

2024 2023

57% Black or African American 43% Black or African American

43% White 57% White

43% Female43% Female57% Male57% Male

Planning Commission (10 members)

2024 2023

50% Black or African American 40% Black or African American

50% White 10% Asian

50% White

50% Female

50% Male 30% Female

70% Male

Procurement Standards Board (7 members)

The Metro Finance and Legal directors or their designee(s) are ex officio members, and another Metro department head is appointed by the Mayor.

2024 2023

57% Black or African American 57% Black or African American

43% White 43% White

43% Female 57% Female 57% Male 43% Male

Property Standards and Appeals Board (7 members)

Members are selected from each of the following professional fields: construction, labor, finance, real estate, and business.

2024 2023

29% Black or African American 29% Black or African American

14% Hispanic or Latino 14% Hispanic or Latino

57% White 57% White

71% Female 71% Female 29% Male 29% Male

Public Library Board (7 members)

2024 2023

43% Black or African American

14% Hispanic or Latino

29% Black or African American

14% Hispanic or Latino

43% White 57% White

71% Female 57% Female 29% Male 43% Male

Public Records Commission (8 members)

The Davidson County Clerk, Register of Deeds, Historian, Archivist, and Metro ITS director are ex officio members; one (1) member must be a judge from a Davidson County court of record; one (1) member must be a genealogist; and one (1) member is a Council Member confirmed by the Council.

2024 2023

25% Black or African American 25% Black or African American

75% White 75% White

50% Female 63% Female 50% Male 37% Male

Sexually Oriented Business Licensing Board (5 members)

2024 2023

80% Black or African American 80% Black or African American

20% White 20% Vacant

80% Female 40% Female 20% Male

40% Male

20% Vacant

Short Term Rental Appeals Board (7 members)

2024 2023

14% Black or African American 14% Black or African American

86% White 86% White

43% Female 29% Female 57% Male 71% Male

Social Services Commission (7 members)

2024 2023

71% Black or African American 71% Black or African American

29% White 29% White

57% Female 43% Female 43% Male 57% Male

Sports Authority (13 members)

2024 2023

54% Black or African American 46% Black or African American

46% White 54% White

23% Female 46% Female 54% Male 77% Male

Stormwater Management Commission (7 members)

Four (4) members are state-registered professional engineers in the fields of civil engineering, hydraulics, hydrology, and/or environmental sciences. Three (3) members as follows: One licensed landscape architect or urban forester elected from nominations submitted by the Tennessee Chapter of the American Society of Landscape Architects and Tennessee Forestry Association; one licensed realtor elected from nominations submitted by the Greater Nashville Association of Realtors; and one licensed attorney who specializes in water or environmental law elected from nominations submitted by the Nashville Bar Association.

 2024
 2023

 29% Asian
 14% Asian

 71% White
 86% White

 43% Female
 43% Female

 57% Male
 57% Male

Sustainability Advisory Committee (15 Members)

202413% Black or African American
N/A

7% Asian

7% Hispanic or Latino

73% White

60% Female 33% Male

7% Other/Prefer Not to Say

Tourism and Convention Commission (9 members)

Four (4) members are nominated by the local hotel and motel association, one (1) of whom must be associated with a large hotel; one (1) member is nominated by the Nashville Area Chamber of Commerce; and four (4) members are selected from tourist-related industries.

2024202356% Black or African American33% Black or African American44% White67% White

56% Female 44% Female 44% Male 56% Male

Traffic and Parking Commission (9 members)

2024202344% Black or African American33% Black or African American22% Hispanic or Latino22% Hispanic or Latino33% White44% White

22% Female22% Female78% Male78% Male

Transit Authority (5 members)

2024 2023

40% Black or African American 40% Black or African American

60% White 60% White

80% Female 80% Female 20% Male 20% Male

Transportation Licensing Commission (9 members)

At least one (1) member shall be a resident within the area of the Downtown or Gulch Central Business Improvement District; and one (1) member shall be a representative of the hospitality sector, to be appointed by the mayor from a list of three (3) persons recommended jointly by the board of directors Nashville Area Chamber of Commerce, the board of directors of the Nashville Convention and Visitors Corporation, and the board of directors of the Nashville Downtown Partnership.

2024 2023

22% Black or African American 22% Black or African American

78% White 22% Hispanic or Latino

56% White

33% Female

67% Male 11% Female

89% Male

Wastewater Hearing Authority (5 members)

One (1) member represents major industry; one (1) member represents a tributary utility district or city; and two (2) members represent technical/science or financial fields.

2024 2023

20% Black or African American 20% Black or African American

80% White 80% White

20% Female20% Female80% Male80% Male

Work Release Commission (12 members)

Members are appointed by the Davidson County Sheriff.

2024 2023

33% Black or African American 42% Black or African American

8% Hispanic or Latino 42% White

58% White 16% Vacant

42% Female 33% Female

58% Male 50% Male

16% Vacant

Zoning Appeals Board (7 members)

2024

29% Black or African American **2023**

14% Asian 29% Black or African American

57% White 71% White

43% Female 29% Female 57% Male 71% Male

LBGTQ

2024

Thirteen (13) members of Metropolitan boards and commissions identify as a member of the LGBTQ+ community.

2023

Twenty-one (21) members of Metropolitan boards and commissions identify as a member of the LGBTQ+ community.

Disability

2024

Three (3) members of Metropolitan boards and commissions identify as a person with a disability.

2023

Six (6) members of Metropolitan boards and commissions identify as a person with a disability.

Additional Data for 2024

The data below is collected through voluntary submissions on the Board and Commission Application. As these questions aren't mandatory, not every applicant submits a response to these questions, so it should be noted that the data does not accurately represent the full membership of Metro Nashville's Board and Commission members. However, since there is some data available, it is presented below for reference.

