MEMORANDUM

To: Ald. Marina Dimitrijevic
From: Gunnar Raasch, Legislative and Fiscal Services Specialist
Date: 7/30/2025
Subject: Analysis of Parking Citation Issuance by ZIP Code Household Income

This memorandum is in response to your request for an analysis of the number of parking citations issued to residents of each Milwaukee ZIP code and average household income.

Methodology

This memorandum compares data from DPW-Parking related to habitual parking violators ("HPV") by ZIP code, to average household income and population statistics from the United States Census Bureau. For both the number of total "HPV" licenses and the total amounts owed, the data for each ZIP code was converted into a per-capita figure using population data, and then compared by household income. ZIP codes 53201 and 53234 are P.O box ZIP codes and therefore do not have population or income data.

Results

As shown in the below tables, there is a negative correlation between average household income and amount owed per capita. There is also a negative correlation between average household income and "HPV" license prevalence. In other words, lower-income ZIP codes have higher rates of habitual parking violators and owe significantly more in parking fines per capita. Of the 13 ZIP codes that owe $10 or more per capita in parking fines, 12 of them have average household incomes below the mean average for ZIP codes in the city.
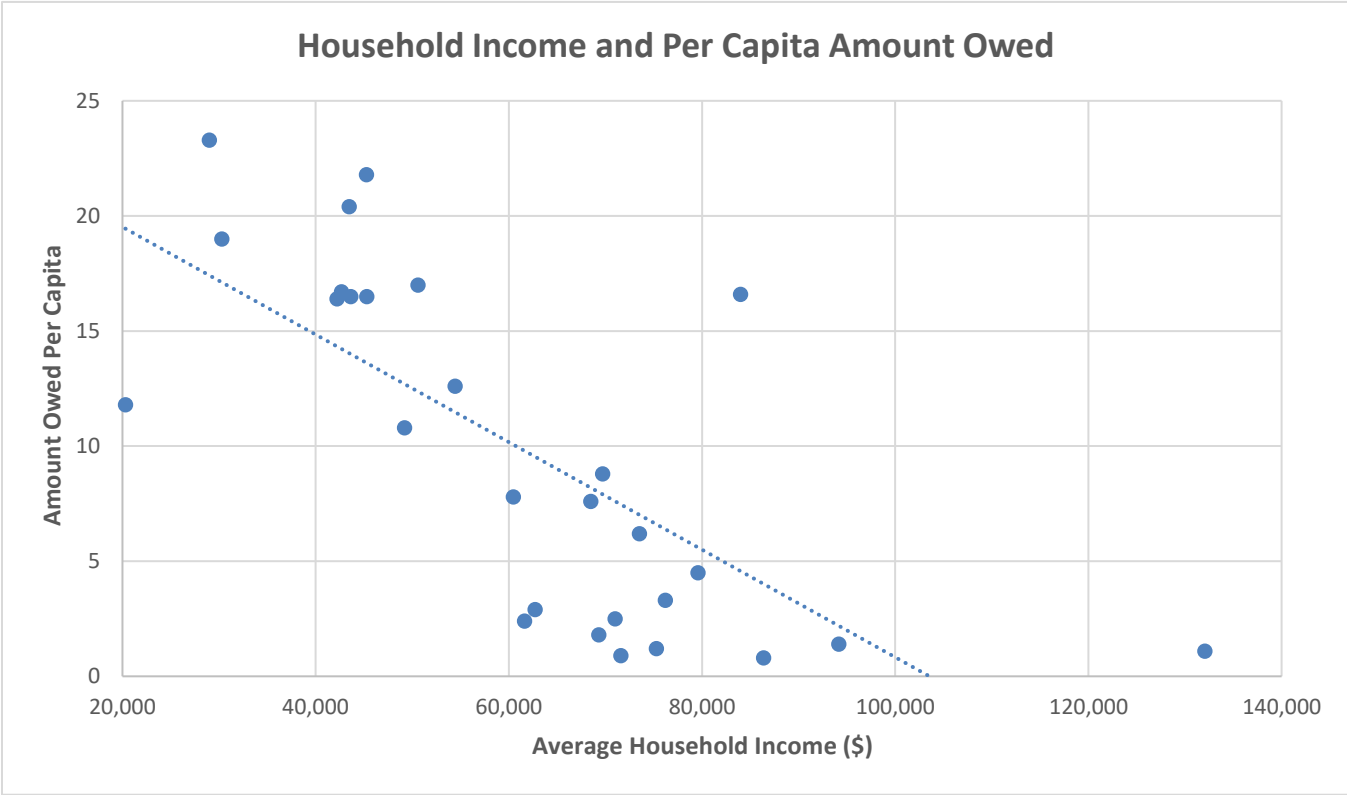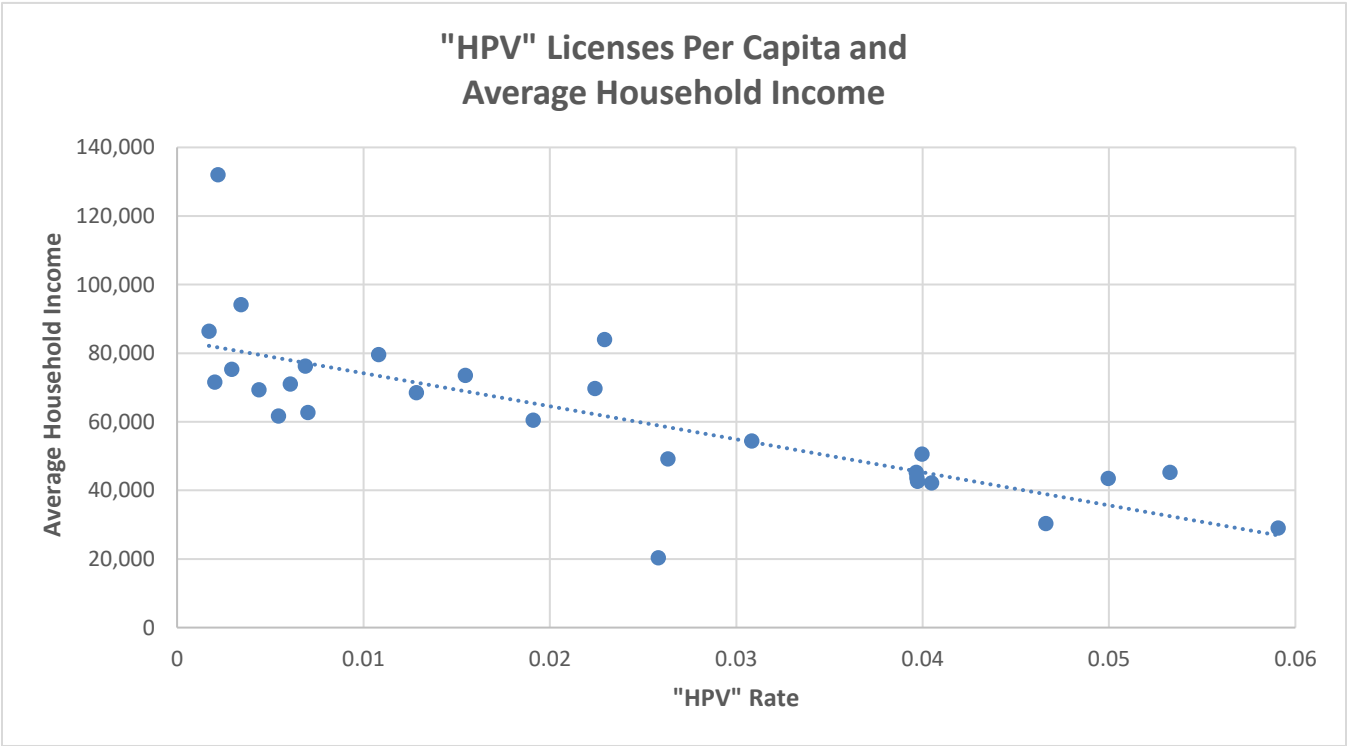
Figure 1:

Household Income and Per Capita Amount Owed

Figure 2:

"HPV" Licenses Per Capita and Average Household Income

Table 1: ZIP Code Data

Zip Code	Avg. Household Income	# of Vehicles	Amount Owed	Population	Amount Per Capita
53202	68,482	358	212,562 $	27,897	7.6 $
53203	84,005	50	36,339 $	2,180	16.6 $
53204	43,645	1,577	657,347 $	39,728	16.5 $
53205	30,300	438	179,464 $	9,397	19.0 $
53206	28,995	1,348	533,835 $	22,816	23.3 $
53207	79,576	371	154,806 $	34,292	4.5 $
53208	50,585	1,185	504,828 $	29,644	17.0 $
53209	45,288	1,768	735,473 $	44,586	16.5 $
53210	45,268	1,363	557,239 $	25,588	21.8 $
53211	76,206	250	119,170 $	36,327	3.3 $
53212	42,679	1,140	480,211 $	28,702	16.7 $
53213	94,144	91	37,823 $	26,469	1.4 $
53214	62,712	241	99,260 $	34,297	2.9 $
53215	49,207	1,563	642,412 $	59,359	10.8 $
53216	43,466	1,504	615,104 $	30,109	20.4 $
53217	132,044	67	33,100 $	30,559	1.1 $
53218	42,207	1,558	633,205 $	38,488	16.4 $
53219	70,998	212	88,874 $	34,925	2.5 $
53220	69,301	118	48,598 $	26,869	1.8 $
53221	61,640	215	95,318 $	39,560	2.4 $
53222	73,523	393	158,220 $	25,422	6.2 $
53223	60,477	552	226,315 $	28,884	7.8 $
53224	69,727	466	182,457 $	20,786	8.8 $
53225	54,433	775	317,345 $	25,138	12.6 $
53226	86,361	34	15,698 $	19,921	0.8 $
53227	71,594	47	20,081 $	23,310	0.9 $
53228	75,288	45	18,262 $	15,341	1.2 $
53233	20,306	401	182,962 $	15,531	11.8 $

Please let me know if you require any additional information.

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