Another important figure derived from the HVS is the share of income paid in rent, or rent burden for rent stabilized tenants. The chart on this page shows the median rent burden for rent stabilized households from 1970-2017. As discussed earlier in the Affordability section on pages 56 through 64, the rent burden for both stabilized households and all renter households has risen sharply, especially in the initial stages of stabilization.

Chart V.

Rent Stabilized Median Rent Burden, New York City 1970-2017
(Gross Rent as a Share of Household Income)

Other Data

Along with the large variety of facts and figures provided by those who testify at the Board’s annual meetings and hearings, the Board frequently requests additional research in a number of areas related to the economic condition of the rental housing industry and to the circumstances faced by rent stabilized tenants. Staff responds to these data requests in the form of research memos. Due to the large volume of these memos, they are not contained in this publication but are published in the Board’s annual explanatory statements which can be downloaded from our website, nyc.gov/rgb, by navigating to the Rent Guidelines tab. Furthermore, additional RGB research can be found in the Special Reports and Briefs Archive on our website in the RGB Research Reports tab.