# Retail Development Potential for The Artesia Boulevard Retail District



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# Part A

# Retail Development Potential For The Artesia Boulevard Retail District, City of Gardena

# **Introduction**

- The primary purpose of this analysis is to help the City of Gardena evaluate retail development opportunities within the Artesia Boulevard retail district.
- From a taxable retail sales standpoint, the City of Gardena performs below the average levels of Los Angeles County in several important retail categories. The development of potential retail sites may have an impact upon existing retail businesses in Gardena and nearby communities.

This effort will serve to address the following questions and issues:

- 1) What are current local, sub-regional and regional retail/dining patronage patterns in the Gardena area?
- 2) Where do market area customers in the region currently shop for various retail goods and services? What characteristics do competitive centers and districts have that attract area shoppers?
- 3) What is the character of existing retail establishments and districts within the City?
- 4) Would the City benefit strategically from development of identified sites?
- 5) Would identified sites add to or detract from the sales performance of existing retail areas in the City?
- 6) Which existing locations and merchants would be impacted the most?
- 7) What specific uses, or collection of uses, will enable the City to improve its retail position and attract shoppers from a wider area?
- 8) Given the analysis of overall retail opportunities for the City, what is the optimum development strategy for these sites?

### **Retail Environment**

- Gardena is the proverbial hole in the donut for most significant retail categories.
- During the past several years, most significant retailers have concentrated their site strategies at various locations in the area to the northwest, west and south of Gardena, but not in Gardena.
- Very few major retailers have located to the east and northeast of Gardena.
- The surrounding area appears to be well supplied with significant retailers and discretionary/comparison shopping categories. In 2001, a ULI Advisory Services Panel characterized the market area as "over retailed."

- The City of Gardena contributes to this perception with an over-abundance of aging strip and freestanding retail.
- The City lacks direct access to the four freeways that surround it. These include the 91, 105, 110 and 405 Freeways.
  - The 91 Artesia Freeway terminates just east of the City and continues through the City as Artesia Boulevard.
  - ° Not surprisingly, given quasi freeway access, the Artesia Boulevard frontage has attracted regional-level tenants, while the remaining areas of the City have not.

# Significant Retail Tenant Opportunities for the Artesia Boulevard Retail District Retail Tenant Opportunities

- The following portion of the analysis represents a tactical approach to understanding the City's retail development potential in general and the Artesia Boulevard Retail District in particular.
- In order to understand the opportunity for retail development in Gardena, it is important to understand how retailers view the local and regional market area and how they locate stores relative to that point of view.
- Few retailers will "pioneer" an area without the synergy and support of other significant tenants.
- If retail tenants are already located in Gardena or in the nearby market area, they likely are not candidates for a new site.
- If retail tenants are not located in the Gardena market area, they may represent potential locational opportunities. This depends upon the population and income levels required to support additional stores.
- Significant tenants are typically non-mall value or discount tenants who tend to locate in larger regional destination centers and districts.

### Overview of Significant Retailers in the Gardena Market Area

- 16 different retail categories were analyzed in order to understand the real estate and market coverage strategies of significant retailers.
- Each of the following maps illustrate the existing locations of larger significant retailers. These include:
  - All Categories
  - ° General Merchandise Discount
  - General Merchandise Warehouse
  - Home Improvement
- Additional categories also studied (but not mapped here) include:
  - ° Discount Apparel ° Linens and Bath
  - ° Arts, Crafts and Hobbies ° Movie Theater

Books and Music
 Electronics
 Fitness Centers
 Imported Goods
 Office Supplies
 Pet Supplies
 Sporting Goods
 Toys/Kids

# **Retail Development in the Greater Gardena Market Area**

- The following page illustrates the collective locations of significant retailers and major retail categories in the Gardena market area. This "all categories" map illustrates the "districting" that typically occurs in retail development.
- Detailed significant anchor tenant category maps follow the "all categories" map.
- Only anchor size category maps are included in this report.
- Potential tenant opportunities for all categories follow the maps.









# **Significant Retailer Opportunities**

- Based upon the existing locations of significant retailers, the City of Gardena has a few significant retail tenant opportunities.
- These opportunities are available if acceptable sites can be delivered which offer:
  - Sufficient size to allow critical mass
  - Suitable access
  - Visibility
  - ° Parking
  - Synergy with other retailers, and
  - Spacing with other existing stores.
- A category-by-category, tenant-by-tenant examination of opportunities follows in the next several slides. We have looked at the nearest store to Gardena and the next few closest store locations for each retailer. We have also listed the approximate distance to each store from the intersection of Artesia Blvd. and Western Avenue.

| SIGNIFICANT RETAIL TE   | NANT OPP | ORTUNITIES FOR CI | TY OF ( | GARDENA                   |
|-------------------------|----------|-------------------|---------|---------------------------|
| (Excluding relocations) |          |                   |         |                           |
|                         |          | City              | Miles   | Comments                  |
| General Merchandise     |          |                   |         |                           |
| Target                  | Nearest  | Gardena           | 0.0     |                           |
| -                       | Also in  | Inglewood         | 4.2     |                           |
|                         | Also in  | Manhattan Beach   | 4.5     |                           |
|                         | Also in  | Carson            | 5.6     |                           |
| Wal-Mart                | Nearest  | Torrance          | 1.0     |                           |
| vvai mart               | Also in  | Long Beach        | 6.8     |                           |
|                         | Also in  | LA - Crenshaw     | 8.6     |                           |
|                         | Also in  | Lakewood          | 9.8     |                           |
| Kohl's                  | Nearest  | Torrance          | 6.4     | Possibility               |
| TOIII 3                 | Also in  | Lakewood          | 9.7     | 1 GGSIDIIITY              |
|                         | Also in  | Cerritos          | 14.8    |                           |
|                         | Also in  | Seal Beach        | 15.7    |                           |
| Merwyn's                | Nearest  | Redondo Beach     | 2.2     | Existing store too close. |
|                         | Also in  | Torrance          | 4.4     |                           |
|                         | Also in  | LA - Sepulveda    | 6.7     |                           |
|                         | Also in  | Lakewood          | 10.5    |                           |
| Kmart                   | Nearest  | Carson            | 3.6     | Existing store too close. |
|                         | Also in  | Harbor City       | 5.4     |                           |
|                         | Also in  | LA - Vermont      | 7.2     |                           |
|                         | Also in  | Cudahy            | 9.1     |                           |
| Sears                   | Nearest  | Carson            | 4.2     | Existing store too close. |
|                         | Also in  | Torrance          | 4.5     |                           |
|                         | Also in  | LA - Olympic      | 11.0    |                           |

| (Excluding relocations) |           |                             |       |                           |
|-------------------------|-----------|-----------------------------|-------|---------------------------|
|                         |           | 211                         |       |                           |
|                         |           | City                        | Miles | Comments                  |
| GM Warehouse            |           |                             |       |                           |
| Costco                  | Nearest   | Torrance                    | 5.7   | Existing store too close. |
|                         | Also in   | Marina del Rey              | 10.3  |                           |
|                         | Also in   | Signal Hill                 | 10.3  |                           |
|                         | Also in   | Norwalk                     | 12.4  |                           |
| Sam's Club              | Nearest   | Gardena                     | 0.0   |                           |
|                         | Also in   | Torrance                    | 5.8   |                           |
|                         | Also in   | South Gate                  | 9.8   |                           |
|                         | Also in   | Downey                      | 13.1  |                           |
| Home Improvement        |           |                             |       |                           |
| Lowe's H/I              | Nearest   | Hawthorne                   | 2.6   | Existing store too close. |
|                         | Also in   | Torrance                    | 4.2   |                           |
|                         | Also in   | Long Beach - Bellflower Bl. | 12.2  |                           |
|                         | Also in   | Long Beach - Carson St.     | 13.5  |                           |
| Home Depot              | Nearest   | Gardena                     | 0.0   |                           |
|                         | Also in   | Hawthorne                   | 3.0   |                           |
|                         | Also in   | Inglewood                   | 4.1   |                           |
|                         | Also in   | Torrance                    | 5.8   |                           |
| Locals - Crenshaw an    | d Nearest |                             | 0.0   |                           |

| SIGNIFICANT RETAIL TEI  | NANT OPP | ORTUNITIES FOR CITY   | OF GA  | RDENA                       |
|-------------------------|----------|-----------------------|--------|-----------------------------|
| (Excluding relocations) |          |                       |        |                             |
|                         |          | City                  | Miles  | Comments                    |
| Discount Apparel        |          | <u></u>               | 111100 |                             |
| Old Navy                | Nearest  | Manhattan Beach       | 3.8    | Existing store too close.   |
| •                       | Also in  | Torrance              | 4.1    |                             |
|                         | Also in  | LA - #rd              | 13.5   |                             |
|                         | Also in  | Santa Monica          | 13.8   |                             |
| Ross                    | Nearest  | Hawthorne             | 3.0    | Existing store too close.   |
|                         | Also in  | Torrance              | 3.1    |                             |
|                         | Also in  | Torrance              | 5.8    |                             |
|                         | Also in  | LA - Centinela        | 7.1    |                             |
| TJ Maxx                 | Nearest  | Torrance              | 4.1    | Possibility                 |
|                         | Also in  | LA - Sepulveda        | 6.8    |                             |
|                         | Also in  | Rolling Hills Estates | 8.3    |                             |
|                         | Also in  | LA - MLK              | 8.7    |                             |
| Marshall's              | Nearest  | Torrance              | 3.1    | Existing store too close.   |
|                         | Also in  | Torrance              | 4.1    |                             |
|                         | Also in  | Culver City           | 7.9    |                             |
| SteinMart               | Nearest  | Rolling Hills Estates | 8.3    | Area incomes may be too low |
|                         | Also in  | Pasadena              | 20.4   |                             |
|                         | Also in  | Huntington Beach      | 23.3   |                             |
| Tilly's                 | Nearest  | Redondo Beach         | 2.3    | Existing store too close.   |
|                         | Also in  | Torrance              | 6.6    | _                           |
|                         | Also in  | Long Beach            | 13.7   |                             |
| Burlington Coat Factory | Nearest  | Torrance              | 4.4    | Existing store too close.   |
|                         | Also in  | Whittier              | 17.2   |                             |
|                         | Also in  | Buena Park            | 19.0   |                             |
| Nordstrom Rack          | Nearest  | LA - Center Dr.       | 7.7    | Area incomes may be too low |
|                         | Also in  | Long Beach            | 10.8   |                             |
|                         | Also in  | Glendale              | 18.6   |                             |

| (Excluding relocations) |         |                 |       |                             |
|-------------------------|---------|-----------------|-------|-----------------------------|
| ,                       |         |                 |       |                             |
|                         |         | City            | Miles | Comments                    |
| <u>Electronics</u>      |         |                 |       |                             |
| Best Buy                | Nearest | Hawthorne       | 2.8   | Existing store too close.   |
|                         | Also in | Compton         | 4.5   |                             |
|                         | Also in | Huntington Park | 8.4   |                             |
|                         | Also in | Cilver City     | 10.3  |                             |
| Circuit City            | Nearest | Hawthorne       | 3.0   | Existing store too close.   |
|                         | Also in | Compton         | 5.4   |                             |
|                         | Also in | Torrance        | 6.5   |                             |
|                         | Also in | Lakewood        | 10.6  |                             |
| Good Guys               | Nearest | Redondo Beach   | 2.4   | Area incomes may be too low |
|                         | Also in | Torrance        | 4.1   |                             |
|                         | Also in | Marina Del Rey  | 9.9   |                             |
|                         |         | LA - Pico       | 12.4  |                             |
| Comp USA                | Nearest | Redondo Beach   | 2.3   | Existing store too close.   |
|                         | Also in | Culver City     | 8.4   |                             |
|                         | Also in | Long Beach      | 12.7  |                             |
| Fry's                   | Nearest | Manhattan Beach | 4.5   | Existing store too close.   |
| , -                     | Also in | Burbank         | 21.3  |                             |
|                         | Also in | Fountain Valley | 25.1  |                             |
| Office Supplies         |         |                 |       |                             |
| Office Depot            | Nearest | Torrance        | 2.1   | Existing store too close.   |
| •                       | Also in | Hawthorne       | 3.1   |                             |
|                         | Also in | Manhattan Beach | 3.9   |                             |
|                         | Also in | Torrance        | 5.7   |                             |
| Office Max              | Nearest | Torrance        | 5.9   | Opportunity                 |
|                         | Also in | Downey          | 10.1  |                             |
|                         | Also in | Signal Hill     | 10.1  |                             |
|                         | Also in | Lakewood        | 10.3  |                             |
| Staples                 | Nearest | Hawthorne       | 3.3   | Existing store too close.   |
| ·                       | Also in | Torrance        | 4.4   | -                           |
|                         | Also in | Carson          | 5.9   |                             |
|                         | Also in | Torrance        | 6.5   |                             |

| (Excluding relocations)  |         |                       |       |                           |
|--------------------------|---------|-----------------------|-------|---------------------------|
|                          |         | City                  | Miles | Comments                  |
| Pets                     |         |                       |       |                           |
| Petsmart                 | Nearest | Torrance              | 4.6   | Opportunity               |
|                          | Also in | Signal Hill           | 10.3  |                           |
|                          | Also in | Long Beach            | 14.0  |                           |
|                          | Also in | Alhambra              | 16.8  |                           |
| Petco                    | Nearest | Redondo Beach         | 2.5   | Existing store too close. |
|                          | Also in | Redondo Beach         | 4.8   |                           |
|                          | Also in | Torrance              | 5.7   |                           |
|                          | Also in | LA - Sepulveda        | 6.6   |                           |
| Books/Music              |         |                       |       |                           |
| Borders                  | Nearest | Torrance              | 3.8   | Existing store too close. |
|                          | Also in | LA - Center Dr.       | 7.7   |                           |
|                          | Also in | Rolling Hills Estates | 8.5   |                           |
|                          | Also in | Long Beach            | 12.7  |                           |
| Barnes & Noble           | Nearest | Manhattan Beach       | 3.8   | Existing store too close. |
|                          | Also in | Torrance              | 4.2   |                           |
|                          | Also in | Marina Del Rey        | 9.9   |                           |
|                          | Also in | LA - Pico             | 12.4  |                           |
| B. Dalton ( Barnes & Nob | Nearest | Redondo Beach         | 2.3   | Existing store too close. |
|                          | Also in | LA - Los Angeles St.  | 12.3  |                           |
| Tower Records            | Nearest | Torrance              | 4.5   | Not a good candidate.     |
|                          | Also in | Marina Del Rey        | 9.9   | _                         |
|                          | Also in | Lakewood              | 17.1  |                           |
| Wherehouse               | Nearest | Torrance              | 2.2   | Not a good candidate.     |

| SIGNIFICANT RETAIL T     | ENANT OPP | ORTUNITIES FOR CITY OF | GARDEN | Α                         |
|--------------------------|-----------|------------------------|--------|---------------------------|
| (Excluding relocations)  |           |                        |        |                           |
| Arts & Crafts            |           | City                   | Miles  | Comments                  |
| JoAnn Fabrics            | Nearest   | Torrance               | 4.3    | Opportunity               |
|                          | Also in   | Harbor City            | 7.3    |                           |
|                          | Also in   | Lakewood               | 10.5   |                           |
| Michael's                | Nearest   | Hawthorne              | 3.0    | Existing store too close. |
|                          | Also in   | Torrance               | 5.9    |                           |
|                          | Also in   | Lakewood               | 10.1   |                           |
| <u>Linens &amp; Bath</u> |           |                        |        |                           |
| Anna's Linens            | Nearest   | Inglewood              | 3.1    | Existing store too close. |
|                          | Also in   | Torrance               | 3.2    |                           |
|                          | Also in   | Carson                 | 4.2    |                           |
|                          | Also in   | Torrance               | 5.4    |                           |
| Bed Bath & Beyond        | Nearest   | Hawthorne              | 3.3    | Existing store too close. |
|                          | Also in   | Torrance               | 6.6    |                           |
|                          | Also in   | Lakewood               | 10.5   |                           |
|                          | Also in   | LA - Olympic           | 12.7   |                           |
| Linens n Things          | Nearest   | Torrance               | 3.1    | Existing store too close. |
|                          | Also in   | LA - Olympic           | 12.6   |                           |
|                          | Also in   | Long Beach             | 13.7   |                           |
|                          | Also in   | Sherman Oaks           | 19.8   |                           |
| Imported Goods           |           |                        |        |                           |
| Cost Plus                | Nearest   | Torrance               | 5.0    | Opportunity               |
|                          | Also in   | Lakewood               | 10.3   |                           |
|                          | Also in   | LA - Santa Monica Bl.  | 13.2   |                           |
|                          | Also in   | Glendale               | 18.5   |                           |
| Pier 1                   | Nearest   | Torrance               | 3.6    | Existing store too close. |
|                          | Also in   | Manhattan Beach        | 3.8    |                           |
|                          | Also in   | Torrance               | 5.0    |                           |
|                          | Also in   | Rolling Hills Estates  | 8.3    |                           |

| (Excluding relocations) |         | ORTUNITIES FOR CITY OF GA   |       |                             |
|-------------------------|---------|-----------------------------|-------|-----------------------------|
| (Excluding relocations) |         |                             |       |                             |
| Fitness Centers         |         | City                        | Miles | Comments                    |
| 24-Hour Fitness         | Nearest | Manhattan Beach             | 4.2   | Possibility                 |
|                         | Also in | Hermosa Beach               | 4.6   |                             |
|                         | Also in | LA - Century                | 5.5   |                             |
|                         | Also in | Torrance                    | 6.5   |                             |
| Bally's Total Fitness   | Nearest | Torrance                    | 3.6   | Opportunity                 |
|                         | Also in | Hawthorne                   | 3.8   |                             |
|                         | Also in | Inglewood                   | 5.0   |                             |
|                         |         | Manhattan Beach             | 8.3   |                             |
| Specrum Club            | Nearest | El Segundo                  | 3.9   | Existing store too close.   |
|                         | Also in | LA - Park Terrace           | 7.6   |                             |
|                         | Also in | Santa Monica                | 13.2  |                             |
| Gold's Gym              | Nearest | Hawthorne                   | 2.7   | Existing store too close.   |
|                         | Also in | Redondo beach               | 5.1   |                             |
|                         | Also in | Long Beach                  | 10.0  |                             |
| LA Fitness              | Nearest | Torrance                    | 4.2   | Opportunity                 |
|                         | Also in | Redondo beach               | 5.8   |                             |
|                         | Also in | Downey                      | 10.3  |                             |
| Curves for Women        | Nearest | (Too many to map/list.)     |       |                             |
| Movie Theaters          | Nearest | Redondo Beach - AMC 16      | 2.3   | Too close, too many screens |
|                         | Also in | EL Segundo - Pacific 15     | 4.2   |                             |
|                         | Also in | Manhattan Beach - Pacific 6 | 4.3   |                             |
|                         | Also in | LA - The Bridge 14          | 7.7   |                             |
|                         | Also in | Gardena - Local operator    | 0.0   |                             |

| (Excluding relocations) |         |                 |       |                             |
|-------------------------|---------|-----------------|-------|-----------------------------|
|                         |         | City            | Miles | Comments                    |
| Sporting Goods          |         |                 |       |                             |
| Sportmart               | Nearest | Hawthorne       | 3.0   | Existing store too close.   |
|                         | Also in | Torrance        | 3.8   | _                           |
|                         | Also in | LA - Sepulveda  | 13.0  |                             |
|                         | Also in | Cerritos        | 13.7  |                             |
| Chicks                  | Nearest | Pasadena        | 22.7  | Area incomes may be too low |
|                         | Also in | Woodland Hills  | 26.2  | _                           |
|                         | Also in | West Covine     | 27.8  |                             |
| Sport Chalet            | Nearest | Torrance        | 4.0   | Area incomes may be too low |
| ·                       | Also in | Marina Del Rey  | 9.9   | •                           |
|                         | Also in | LA - La Cienega | 13.4  |                             |
|                         |         | Long Beach      | 13.7  |                             |
| Big 5                   | Nearest | Torrance        | 2.5   | Existing store too close.   |
|                         | Also in | El Segundo      | 3.9   |                             |
|                         | Also in | Carson          | 4.2   |                             |
|                         | Also in | Inglewood       | 5.5   |                             |
| REI                     | Nearest | Manhattan Beach | 3.8   | Existing store too close.   |
|                         | Also in | Northridge      | 28.6  | _                           |
|                         | Also in | Santa Ana       | 29.6  |                             |
| Sports Authority        | Nearest | Ontario         |       | No stores in LA/OC          |
| Toys-Kids               |         |                 |       |                             |
| Toys 'R Us/Kids         | Nearest | Hawthorne       | 3.0   | Existing store too close.   |
|                         | Also in | Torrance        | 4.5   |                             |
| KB Toys                 | Nearest | Redondo Beach   | 2.3   | Existing store too close.   |
| •                       | Also in | Torrance        | 4.4   |                             |
| Local Operators - two   | Nearest | Gardena         | 0.0   |                             |

Taking into account existing store spacing and relative population levels, potential future promotional tenants that may be interested in Gardena include:

# **Tenant Category**

### **Example Tenant**

°Kohl's

° General Merchandise

° Discount Apparel ° T.J. Maxx and/or Old Navy

° Fitness Center ° LA Fitness and/or Bally's Total Fitness ° Arts & Crafts ° JoAnn

° Office Max ° Office Supplies ° Pets ° PetsMart

° Discount/Dollar Stores ° (A variety of tenants)

- A variety of significant retail categories do not appear to represent opportunities for the City of Gardena due to a variety of issues, including:
  - Accessibility
  - Lack of a freeway visibility and immediate access
  - Demographics (average income and education)
  - Proximity of existing stores
- Questionable retail categories include:
  - **Books and Music**
  - Electronics
  - Home Improvement
  - Imported Goods
  - Linens & Bath
  - Movie Theaters
  - **Sporting Goods**
  - Toys-Kids

# **Significant Tenant Opportunities Development Potential Summary**

Total Potential Significant Tenant

Opportunities – Sq. Ft. 270,000

Total Potential Sq. Ft.

(If significant tenants = 80% of total Sq. Ft.) 335,000

Total Potential Sq. Ft.

(If significant tenants = 67% of total Sq. Ft.) 400,000

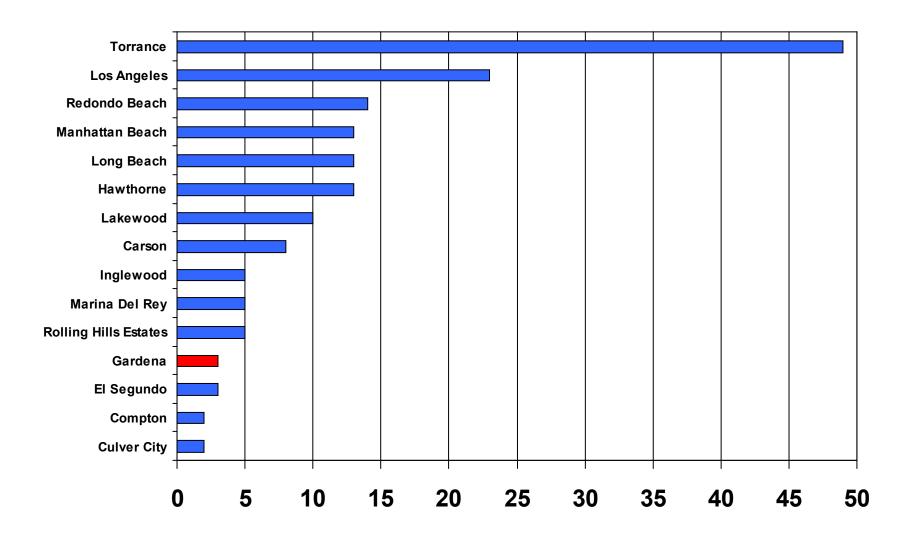
Significant tenant opportunities are subject to intervening competitive locations, delivery schedule, acceptability of site characteristics, and acceptable demographics within primary trade area.

Based upon the realistic opportunities available to the City, sites oriented to Artesia Boulevard could attract a variety of significant tenants totaling approximately 270,000 square feet, or approximately 27 acres.

- Applying typical ratios for the percentage of anchor and significant tenants to total square footage, this equates to somewhere between 335,000 to 400,000 square feet of retail tenant opportunities. This equates to a range of between 35 to 40 acres.
- An analysis of whether or not the addition of major retailers would have a large impact upon other existing and potential retail locations in the City has not been completed yet as part of this analysis. Different retailers would likely have differing impacts on existing merchants based upon different tenant combinations.
- Potential retail tenants representing the least negative impact on the City include Kohl's, office supplies, discount apparel, pet supplies, arts & crafts, and fitness. The primary reason for this is that these tenants are not presently located within the City and yet attract Gardena residents to existing stores located in nearby cities.

### **Number of Significant Retailers in Regional Tenant Opportunity Tables**

- When making store location decisions, retailers like to locate near each other. They do so for a variety of reasons. These include a "safety in numbers" mentality, the potential synergy of having other retailers nearby, and the desire to be part of a shopping district that has the ability to draw customers from a wider area than if the retailer was "going it alone" in a freestanding location.
- To further look at how the City of Gardena might be evaluated by significant retailers, the listing of retailers shown on the preceding pages was sorted and tabulated. The results are shown in the following page.
- The incidence of retailers located in each city is only based upon the incidence shown in the preceding tenant opportunities table. In this table, we have only listed three or four store locations closest to Gardena. However, the table does show the relative choices consumers have and which cities might attract greater numbers of shoppers.



# Part B

# Number of Significant Retailers in Regional Tenant Opportunity Tables Retail Development Potential For The Artesia Boulevard Retail District, City of Gardena

# **Local-Serving Tenant Opportunities**

- The opportunity for local-serving tenants and shopping centers is dictated primarily by population and market support as well as the competitive environment.
- While larger regional and sub-regional centers typically derive their support from extended market areas, local-serving centers (anchored by grocery stores and/or drug stores) are typically supported by the population available within one to three miles.
- In order to understand the support for existing and future local-serving centers in the project area, we have inventoried and mapped grocery stores in the market area surrounding the City of Gardena.



| SIGNIFICANT RETAIL TENAN     | T OPPORT | UNITIES FOR CITY OF GARDE   | ENA   |                             |
|------------------------------|----------|-----------------------------|-------|-----------------------------|
| (Excluding relocations)      |          |                             |       |                             |
|                              |          | City                        | Miles | Comments                    |
| Specialty Grocery Stores     |          |                             |       |                             |
| Trader Joe's                 | Nearest  | Torrance                    | 3.1   | Existing store too close.   |
|                              | Also in  | Manhattan Beach - Pacific 6 | 3.6   |                             |
|                              | Also in  | Manhattan Beach - Pacific 6 | 3.8   |                             |
|                              | Also in  | Redondo Beach - AMC 16      | 6.1   |                             |
| Whole Foods                  | Nearest  | Redondo Beach               | 4.8   | Possibility - incomes low   |
|                              | Also in  | Torrance                    | 6.5   |                             |
|                              | Also in  | Vernon                      | 9.1   |                             |
|                              | Also in  | LA - National               | 11.7  |                             |
| Bristol Farms                | Nearest  | Manhattan Beach             | 4.1   | Area incomes may be too low |
|                              | Also in  | Carson                      | 5.8   |                             |
|                              | Also in  | Redondo Beach               | 6.0   |                             |
|                              | Also in  | Rolling Hills Estates       | 8.5   |                             |
| Wild Oats/Henry's Marketplac | Nearest  | Carson                      | 3.3   | Area incomes may be too low |
| · ·                          | Also in  | Venice                      | 11.9  |                             |
|                              | Also in  | Santa Monica                | 13.8  |                             |
|                              | Also in  | Long Beach                  | 14.9  |                             |
|                              | Also in  | Downey                      | 10.3  |                             |
| Major Chain Grocery Stores   | Nearest  | (See map.)                  |       | Possibility for new store   |

- Based on tenant spacing and demographics, it appears that Gardena could support one additional full-sized grocery store and (eventually) a specialty grocery store such as Whole Foods.
- There also appears to be an opportunity for an additional pharmacy.
- The addition of either a specialty grocery store and/or a major chain grocery store and/or pharmacy will be dependent upon a variety of factors, including competition, population, total income, discretionary income, education, etc.
- The individual chains will evaluate the Gardena market area based upon a specific site.

# **Taxable Retail Sales Performance**

# City of Gardena Compared to Other Los Angeles County Cities

- In order to better understand the City of Gardena's relative retail sales performance, we have compared the City's taxable retail sales against other cities in Los Angeles County and nearby counties.
- Of the 64 +/- cities compared, Gardena ranks 32nd in population.

- The following table illustrates Gardena's taxable retail sales position according to five criteria:
  - Number of stores in each category
  - Population per store
  - ° Total sales in each category
  - Average sales per store
  - ° Average sales per capita

# **Gardena Compared to 63 Other Cities**

| City of Gardena Taxable Sales        | Rankings                               |                                       |   |   |  |   |
|--------------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|---|---|--|---|
| (Compared to 63 Other Selected Citie | •                                      |                                       |   |   |  |   |
| Retail Category                      | Total<br>Number<br>of<br><u>Stores</u> | Number<br>of<br>Stores<br><u>Rank</u> | Population<br>Per<br>Store<br><u>Rank</u> | Total<br>Category<br>Sales<br><u>Rank</u> | Average<br>Sales Per<br>Store<br><u>Rank</u> | Average<br>Sales Per<br>Capita<br><u>Rank</u> |
| Apparel                              | 102                                    | 27                                    | 44  | 49  | 54   | 50  |
| General Merchandise                  | 37                                     | 26                                    | 48  | 32  | 34   | 27  |
| Food Stores                          | 61                                     | 16                                    | 57  | 21  | 36   | 20  |
| Eating & Drinking                    | 254                                    | 10                                    | 54  | 26  | 58   | 25  |
| Home Furnishings & Appliances        | 48                                     | 26                                    | 33  | 44  | 51   | 46  |
| Building Materials                   | 26                                     | 15                                    | 53  | 17  | 18   | 9   |
| Auto Dealers & Supplies              | 112                                    | 9                                     | 60  | 37  | 43   | 33  |
| Service Stations                     | 12                                     | 37                                    | 22  | 25  | 9  | 24  |
| Other/Specialty Retail Stores        | 440                                    | 28                                    | 36  | 57  | 62   | 58  |
| Retail Stores Total **               | 1,092                                  | 25                                    | 48  | 36  | 52   | 41  |
| All Other Outlets **                 | 1,400                                  | 15                                    | 47  | 24  | 30   | 21  |
| Total - All Outlets **               | 2,492                                  | 18                                    | 47  | 37  | 51   | 34  |
| GAFO Categories                      | 627                                    | 28                                    | 37  | 48  | 54   | 49  |
| Population Rank                      | 32                                     | 32                                    | 32  | 32  | 32   | 32  |

Note: Red numbers indicate rankings in upper one third of compared cities.

Some cities have insufficient category sales for the State Board to release due to confidentiality.

Source: State Board of Equalization, Gregory Stoffel & Associates.

- Considering the relative rankings of each category, it appears the City of Gardena has an oversupply of smaller independent-operated stores and would benefit from the introduction of additional prominent retailers who would help to reverse the outflow of sales that occurs from the City.
- For example, although the City ranks 10<sup>th</sup> in total number of eating and drinking establishments, it ranks 26<sup>th</sup> in total category sales and 58<sup>th</sup> in average sales per establishment.
- The City ranks 25<sup>th</sup> in total number of retail establishments, 36<sup>th</sup> in total retail sales, and 52<sup>nd</sup> in average sales per establishment.
- These sales figures indicate an unhealthy retail environment.
- The limited number of quality GAFO retailers (general merchandise, apparel, home furnishings, and other/specialty) hurts all other categories.
- Only building materials ranks highly in average sales per capita.
- Based upon a comparison of "average sales per capita," the City of Gardena performs lower than the Los Angeles County average in several important comparison shopping retail categories, including apparel, home furnishings, and other/specialty. These categories are typically important components in discretionary and comparison shopping.
- The City is generally performing at or near the County average in general merchandise, and auto dealers and parts.
  - Target, Sam's Club, and Marukai are major sales contributors, uses that attract sales from nearby communities.
  - ° Gardena Honda, Gardena Nissan and Pacific Porsche/Audi/Volkswagen are also important uses that bring sales to the City.
- Other than the existing Sam's Club, Target, and Home Depot, the City has few significant retail offerings.
- The City performs higher than the County average in food stores, eating & drinking, building materials, and service stations. Other than building materials, these are uses that are typically supported from a local customer base.
- When compared by "average sales per store," the City of Gardena performs higher than the County average in food stores, eating & drinking, building materials and service stations.
- Overall, existing retailers' performance will need to improve measurably before the City performs at acceptable levels in key categories. In addition, an increased number of significant tenants will also help the City to improve.

# **Demographic Highlights**

• To understand how potential retail sites located on Artesia Blvd. will be viewed by the retail community, a demographic profile was prepared for different geographical areas.

- Two intersections on Artesia Boulevard were used as the point from which demographics were generated the intersection at Western Avenue and the intersection at Normandie.
- Demographics were obtained from Claritas Inc. for one, three, and five mile radius distances as well as a 12-minute drive time area.
- The following table illustrates the demographic highlights of the Artesia Boulevard retail district. A detailed table follows.
  - ° Maps illustrating the drive time areas and the radius areas from Artesia/Western follow the demographic comparison.

# **Demographic Summary**

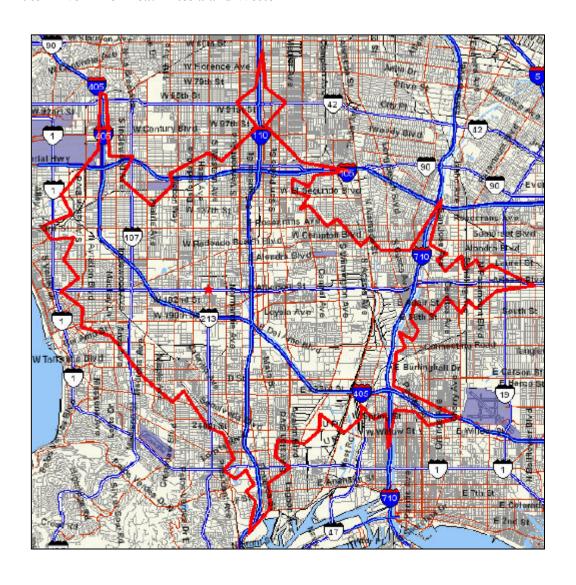
|  | Artesia Blvd./<br>Western Ave. | Artesia Blvd./<br>Normandie Ave. |
|--|--------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| Population - 1-Mile Radius               | 25,996                         | 24,970                           |
| Population - 3-Mile Radius               | 218,257                        | 196,998                          |
| Population - 5-Mile Radius               | 708,012                        | 693,919                          |
| Population - 12-Minute Drive             | 742,668                        | 918,834                          |
| Avg. Household Income - 1-Mile Radius    | \$61,378                       | \$54,369                         |
| Avg. Household Income - 3-Mile Radius    | \$56,166                       | \$57,965                         |
| Avg. Household Income - 5-Mile Radius    | \$65,373                       | \$60,963                         |
| Avg. Household Income - 12-Minute Drive  | \$58,238                       | \$54,036                         |
| Avg. Per Capita Income - 1-Mile Radius   | \$23,823                       | \$19,510                         |
| Avg. Per Capita Income - 3-Mile Radius   | \$18,865                       | \$19,198                         |
| Avg. Per Capita Income - 5-Mile Radius   | \$21,505                       | \$19,510                         |
| Avg. Per Capita Income - 12-Minute Drive | \$17,950                       | \$15,981                         |
| Aggregate Income - 1-Mile Radius         | \$619,302,708                  | \$487,164,700                    |
| Aggregate Income - 3-Mile Radius         | \$4,117,418,305                | \$3,781,967,604                  |
| Aggregate Income - 5-Mile Radius         | \$15,225,798,060               | \$13,538,359,690                 |
| Aggregate Income - 12-Minute Drive       | \$13,330,890,600               | \$14,683,886,154                 |

A detailed demographic table follows.

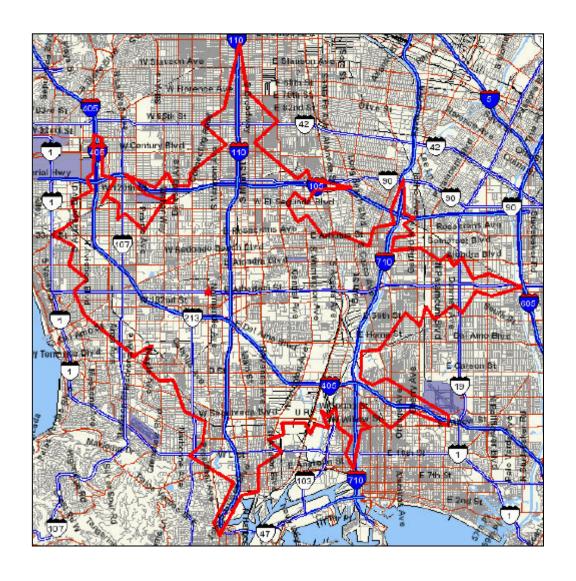
| Comparison Of Essential Demographics - Various Geographical Areas |                           |  |  |  |   |  |  |   |   |  |
|---|---------------------------|--|--|--|---|--|--|---|---|--|
| The City of Gardena, California<br>Source: Claritas, Inc.         | City of<br><u>Gardena</u> | 1-Mile<br>Radius<br>Artesia/<br><u>Western</u> | 1-Mile<br>Radius<br>Artesia/<br><u>Normandie</u> | 3-Mile<br>Radius<br>Artesia/<br><u>Western</u> | 3-Mile<br>Radius<br>Artesia/<br>Normandie | 5-Mile<br>Radius<br>Artesia/<br><u>Western</u> | 5-Mile<br>Radius<br>Artesia/<br><u>Normandie</u> | 12-Minute<br>Drive Time<br>Artesia/<br><u>Western</u> | 12-Minute<br>Drive Time<br>Artesia<br>Normandie |  |
| Population - 2006   | 60,473                    | 25,996   | 24,970   | 218,257  | 196,998                                   | 708,012  | 693,919  | 742,668   | 918,834   |  |
| Households  | 20,949                    | 10,341   | 8,923  | 75,252   | 64,544                                    | 241,436  | 219,944  | 226,629   | 268,668   |  |
| Avg. HH Size  | 2.85                      | 2.57   | 2.79   | 2.98   | 3.02                                      | 3.04   | 3.13   | 3.25  | 3.39  |  |
| Ethnicity:  |                           |  |  |  |   |  |  |   |   |  |
| White Alone   | 21.3%                     | 28.6%  | 27.6%  | 32.5%  | 29.5%                                     | 35.2%  | 32.3%  | 31.5%   | 30.2%   |  |
| Black or African American Alone                                   | 28.3%                     | 6.8%   | 9.5%   | 20.7%  | 23.6%                                     | 23.0%  | 24.4%  | 23.1%   | 22.9%   |  |
| American Indian/Alaska Native                                     | 0.7%                      | 0.4%   | 0.4%   | 0.7%   | 0.7%                                      | 0.7%   | 0.7%   | 0.8%  | 0.89  |  |
| Asian Alone   | 24.1%                     | 46.1%  | 38.0%  | 20.0%  | 20.8%                                     | 15.3%  | 15.1%  | 13.2%   | 11.29   |  |
| Native Hawaiian/Other P.I. Alone                                  | 0.7%                      | 0.9%   | 0.8%   | 0.9%   | 1.0%                                      | 1.0%   | 1.0%   | 1.3%  | 1.39  |  |
| Some Other Race Alone   | 20.2%                     | 12.2%  | 18.6%  | 20.0%  | 19.4%                                     | 20.2%  | 21.9%  | 25.5%   | 28.99   |  |
| Two or More Races   | 4.7%                      | 5.1%   | 5.2%   | 5.2%   | 5.0%                                      | 4.6%   | 4.6%   | 4.7%  | 4.79  |  |
| Hispanic or Latino  | 35.6%                     | 24.7%  | 37.6%  | 39.1%  | 37.1%                                     | 37.3%  | 39.7%  | 45.2%   | 50.4%   |  |
| Average HH Income   | \$53,296                  | \$61,378                                       | \$54,369   | \$56,166                                       | \$57,965                                  | \$65,373                                       | \$60,963   | \$58,283  | \$54,03   |  |
| Median HH Income  | \$43,110                  | \$50,712                                       | \$45,873   | \$45,211                                       | \$46,744                                  | \$49,078                                       | \$46,831   | \$44,611  | \$41,45   |  |
| Per Capita Income   | \$18,648                  | \$23,823                                       | \$19,510   | \$18,865                                       | \$19,198                                  | \$21,505                                       | \$19,510   | \$17,950  | \$15,98   |  |
| HH <\$15K   | 3,489                     | 1,450  | 1,418  | 10,617   | 9,182                                     | 31,981   | 32,791   | 36,052  | 47,69   |  |
| HH \$15K - \$24.9K  | 2,512                     | 966  | 957  | 8,527  | 7,293                                     | 24,852   | 25,034   | 27,309  | 34,99   |  |
| HH \$25K - \$34.9K  | 2,672                     | 1,003  | 1,078  | 9,003  | 7,634                                     | 25,713   | 25,387   | 27,176  | 33,36   |  |
| HH \$35K - \$49.9K  | 3,332                     | 1,540  | 1,391  | 11,954   | 10,425                                    | 35,043   | 33,928   | 35,546  | 42,46   |  |
| HH \$50K - \$74.9K  | 4,183                     | 2,124  | 1,899  | 14,524   | 13,100                                    | 43,594   | 41,667   | 42,386  | 48,68   |  |
| HH \$75K - \$99.9K  | 2,279                     | 1,279  | 1,082  | 8,258  | 7,636                                     | 27,461   | 25,426   | 25,096  | 27,72   |  |
| HH \$100K - \$149.9   | 1,935                     | 1,269  | 890  | 7,228  | 6,857                                     | 27,100   | 24,021   | 22,526  | 23,75   |  |
| HH \$150K - \$249.9   | 449                       | 330  | 181  | 2,070  | 2,023                                     | 11,574   | 9,365  | 8,288   | 7,93  |  |
| HH \$250K - \$499.9   | 78                        | 67   | 23   | 320  | 322                                       | 2,590  | 1,831  | 1,726   | 1,64  |  |
| HH \$500K and more  | 20                        | 10   | 4  | 69   | 71  | 963  | 493  | 522   | 41  |  |
| Total HH \$50,000 or above  | 8,944                     | 5,079  | 4,079  | 32,469   | 30,009                                    | 113,282  | 102,803  | 100,544   | 110,15  |  |
| % Of HH \$50,000 or above   | 42.7%                     | 49.1%  | 45.7%  | 43.1%  | 46.5%                                     | 46.9%  | 46.7%  | 44.4%   | 41.09   |  |
| Total HH \$75,000 or above  | 4,761                     | 2,955  | 2,180  | 17,945   | 16,909                                    | 69,688   | 61,136   | 58,158  | 61,46   |  |
| % Of HH \$75,000 or above   | 22.7%                     | 28.6%  | 24.4%  | 23.8%  | 26.2%                                     | 28.9%  | 27.8%  | 25.7%   | 22.99   |  |
| Total HH \$100,000 or above                                       | 2,482                     | 1,676  | 1,098  | 9,687  | 9,273                                     | 42,227   | 35,710   | 33,062  | 33,74   |  |
| % of HH \$100,000 or above  | 11.8%                     | 16.2%  | 12.3%  | 12.9%  | 14.4%                                     | 17.5%  | 16.2%  | 14.6%   | 12.69   |  |

| Comparison Of Essential Demographics - Various Geographical Areas The City of Gardena, California |                           |  |  |  |  |  |  |            |   |
|---|---------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|------------|---|
| Source: Claritas, Inc.  | City of<br><u>Gardena</u> | 1-Mile<br>Radius<br>Artesia/<br><u>Western</u> | 1-Mile<br>Radius<br>Artesia/<br><u>Normandie</u> | 3-Mile<br>Radius<br>Artesia/<br><u>Western</u> | 3-Mile<br>Radius<br>Artesia/<br><u>Normandie</u> | 5-Mile<br>Radius<br>Artesia/<br><u>Western</u> | 5-Mile<br>Radius<br>Artesia/<br><u>Normandie</u> | Artesia/   | 12-Minute<br>Drive Time<br>Artesia<br>Normandie |
| Est. Median Age   | 36.19                     | 41.08  | 37.79  | 34.39  | 35.06  | 34.29  | 33.56  | 32.35      | 31.04   |
| Est. Average Age  | 36.80                     | 41.01  | 38.30  | 35.31  | 35.89  | 35.10  | 34.68  | 33.77      | 32.89   |
| Age: <9 years   | 8,751                     | 3,038  | 3,434  | 33,106   | 29,135   | 108,485  | 109,492  | 123,552    | 161,693   |
| Age: 85+ years  | 914                       | 516  | 373  | 2,650  | 2,524  | 8,350  | 8,047  | 7,752      | 9,493   |
| Sub-total: Non-Age Qualified  | 9,665                     | 3,554  | 3,807  | 35,756   | 31,659   | 116,835  | 117,539  | 131,304    | 171,186   |
| Total: Age Qualified  | 50,808                    | 22,442   | 21,163   | 182,501  | 165,339  | 591,177  | 576,380  | 611,364    | 747,648   |
| % Age Qualified   | 84.0%                     | 86.3%  | 84.8%  | 83.6%  | 83.9%  | 83.5%  | 83.1%  | 82.3%      | 81.4%   |
| Aggregate Age Qual. Income (M)  | \$947.5                   | \$534.6  | \$412.9  | \$3,442.9                                      | \$3,174.2  | \$12,713.3                                     | \$11,245.2                                       | \$10,974.0 | \$11,948.2                                      |
| Total Aggregate Income (M)  | \$1,127.7                 | \$619.3  | \$487.2  | \$4,117.4                                      | \$3,782.0  | \$15,225.8                                     | \$13,538.4                                       | \$13,330.9 | \$14,683.9                                      |
| Education - Pop. Age 25+  | 39,743                    | 18,558   | 16,945   | 138,975  | 125,907  | 445,023  | 429,218  | 448,494    | 538,842   |
| Less than 9th Grade   | 11.25%                    | 6.23%  | 11.81%   | 12.44%   | 12.43%   | 12.45%   | 13.67%   | 15.98%     | 18.71%  |
| Some High School, no diploma  | 14.93%                    | 11.37%   | 12.84%   | 14.63%   | 14.36%   | 14.27%   | 15.29%   | 16.73%     | 18.13%  |
| High School Grad (or GED)   | 25.79%                    | 26.97%   | 25.08%   | 24.15%   | 23.73%   | 21.49%   | 21.97%   | 22.13%     | 22.11%  |
| Some College, no degree   | 24.57%                    | 23.62%   | 22.70%   | 23.91%   | 24.22%   | 22.78%   | 22.62%   | 21.71%     | 20.97%  |
| Associate Degree  | 6.99%                     | 8.06%  | 7.45%  | 7.23%  | 7.46%  | 7.24%  | 7.12%  | 6.62%      | 6.03%   |
| Bachelor's Degree   | 12.72%                    | 18.28%   | 5.44%  | 12.94%   | 13.16%   | 15.05%   | 13.57%   | 11.85%     | 10.02%  |
| Master's Degree   | 2.72%                     | 3.49%  | 2.93%  | 3.23%  | 3.33%  | 4.60%  | 3.99%  | 3.36%      | 2.65%   |
| Professional School Degree  | 0.82%                     | 1.69%  | 1.46%  | 1.14%  | 0.99%  | 1.49%  | 1.26%  | 1.19%      | 1.04%   |
| Doctorate Degree  | 0.22%                     | 0.29%  | 0.29%  | 0.34%  | 0.32%  | 0.62%  | 0.52%  | 0.42%      | 0.33%   |
| % Associate Degree or Higher  | 23.47%                    | 31.81%   | 17.57%   | 24.88%   | 25.26%   | 29.00%   | 26.46%   | 23.44%     | 20.07%  |
| # Associate Degree or Higher  | 9,328                     | 5,903  | 2,977  | 34,577   | 31,804   | 129,057  | 113,571  | 105,127    | 108,146   |
| % Bachelors Degree or Higher  | 16.48%                    | 23.75%   | 10.12%   | 17.65%   | 17.80%   | 21.76%   | 19.34%   | 16.82%     | 14.04%  |
| # Bachelors Degree or Higher  | 6,550                     | 4,408  | 1,715  | 24,529   | 22,411   | 96,837   | 83,011   | 75,437     | 75,653  |
| % Owner Occupied Units  | 46.86%                    | 57.36%   | 50.24%   | 47.57%   | 53.97%   | 51.89%   | 51.41%   | 50.96%     | 49.03%  |

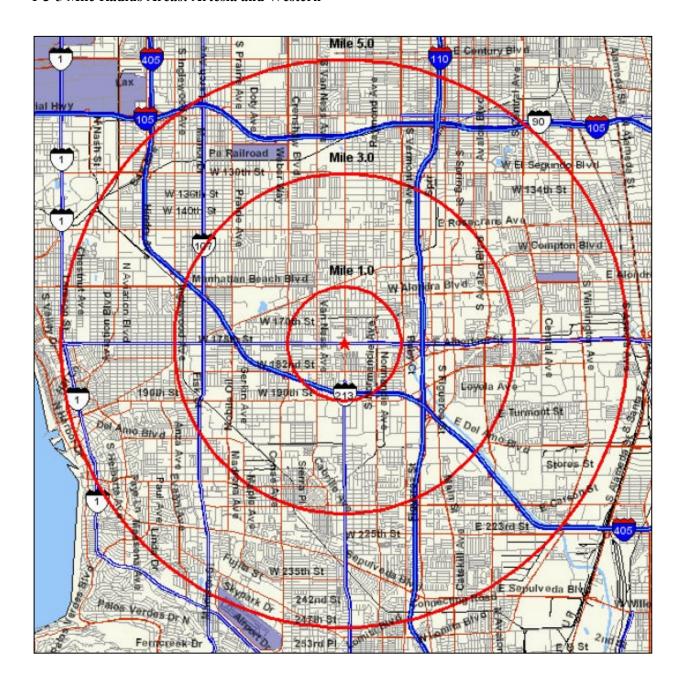
# 12-Minute Drive Time Area: Artesia and Western

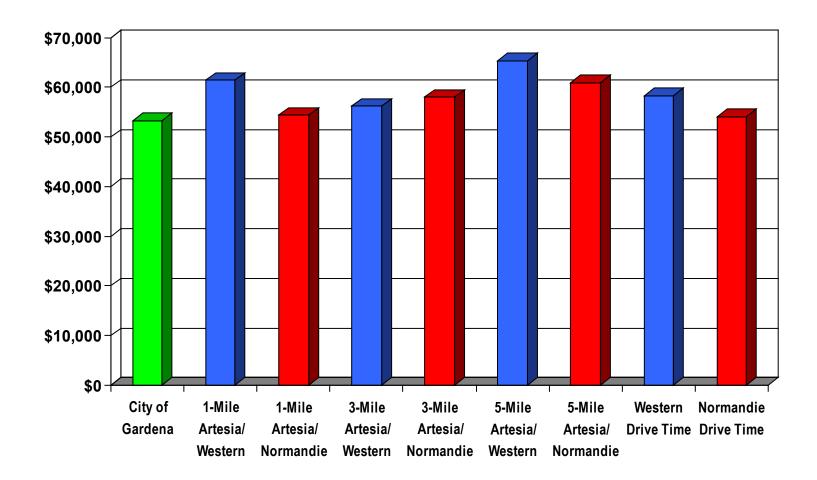


# 12-Minute Drive Time Area: Artesia and Normandie



### 1-3-5 Mile Radius Areas: Artesia and Western





#### **Demographic Highlights Observations**

- The demographics suggest that the ability to draw customers from outside the City of Gardena is an important factor in the City's ability to attract additional quality retailers.
- Quality retailers will need to draw customers from a much wider area than the City of Gardena itself.
- There are differences in demographics within the Artesia Boulevard retail district.
- The Artesia/Western intersection has slightly more desirable demographics than the intersection of Artesia/Normandie.
- Within a five-mile radius, the Artesia/Western intersection is stronger in key categories:
  - Average household income
  - ° Per capita income
  - ° Aggregate total income
  - ° Education

#### **Conclusions and Observations**

- From a retail standpoint there is no "there-there" in Gardena to provide a unifying sense for the City's retail experience. Generally, retail-oriented facilities within Gardena lack sense of place and provide few opportunities for customers to gather.
- The eventual upgrade of the City's retail position will occur one project at a time.
- The City has a preponderance of smaller merchants and needs to create opportunities for larger retail formats.
- Other than Sam's Club, Home Depot, and Marukai, Gardena currently has few significant retail offerings that would draw customers from a wide area. This is reflected in poor sales for many of the City's existing retail areas.
- A larger strategy would be to combine one or two separate areas to concentrate the City's nearterm future retail efforts. The most logical area to start would be along the Artesia Boulevard Corridor, between Normandie Avenue and Western Avenue.
- The eventual upgrade of the City's retail position will occur one project at a time. As each new development occurs, potential retailers will take notice of the City's progress and become more receptive to a location in Gardena.
- From a retail standpoint, Gardena has an excess of unanchored and strip retail. Not only is there a relative over-supply of strip commercial, there are currently too few sites that offer the opportunity to assemble and accommodate quality anchor-size retailers in the types of centers and/or concentrations they tend to locate in.
- In the short-term, most retailers who are attracted to a location in Gardena will want to locate on Artesia Boulevard.

- Artesia Blvd. currently has the City's only concentration of significant regional tenants and offers the security of an existing "district."
- Artesia Blvd. could support at least 40 additional acres of retail development.
- The subject site located between Western and Normandie is the optimal location for additional retail.
- A mix of large and medium box tenants, in conjunction with local shops, services and restaurants would benefit the Artesia Boulevard retail district.