New Orleans' racial divide Black residents, who make up nearly two-thirds of the city's **BY RACE** population, live primarily in the city's poorest areas. Total population: 484,674 White: BY CENSUS BLOCK, 2000 67.1% 28.1% **MAJORITY BLACK NO MAJORITY MAJORITY WHITE** Other: 4.8% 100 - 75.1% New Orleans city limits Other municipality Areas below sea level Lake Pontchartrain 17th Street Canal Mississippi River Quarter Superdome Percent in poverty, 2000 The poverty threshold in 2000 for a family of four was \$17,603 Median household income, 1999 \$20,000 or less \$20,001-\$40,000 11-20% \$40,001-\$60,000 21-30% More than \$60,000 31-40% More than 40% Sources: Louisiana State University, U.S. Census Bureau Chicago Tribune/Max Rust