

Wheeler County Community Profile



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**148th in order of
county creation
Nov. 5, 1912**

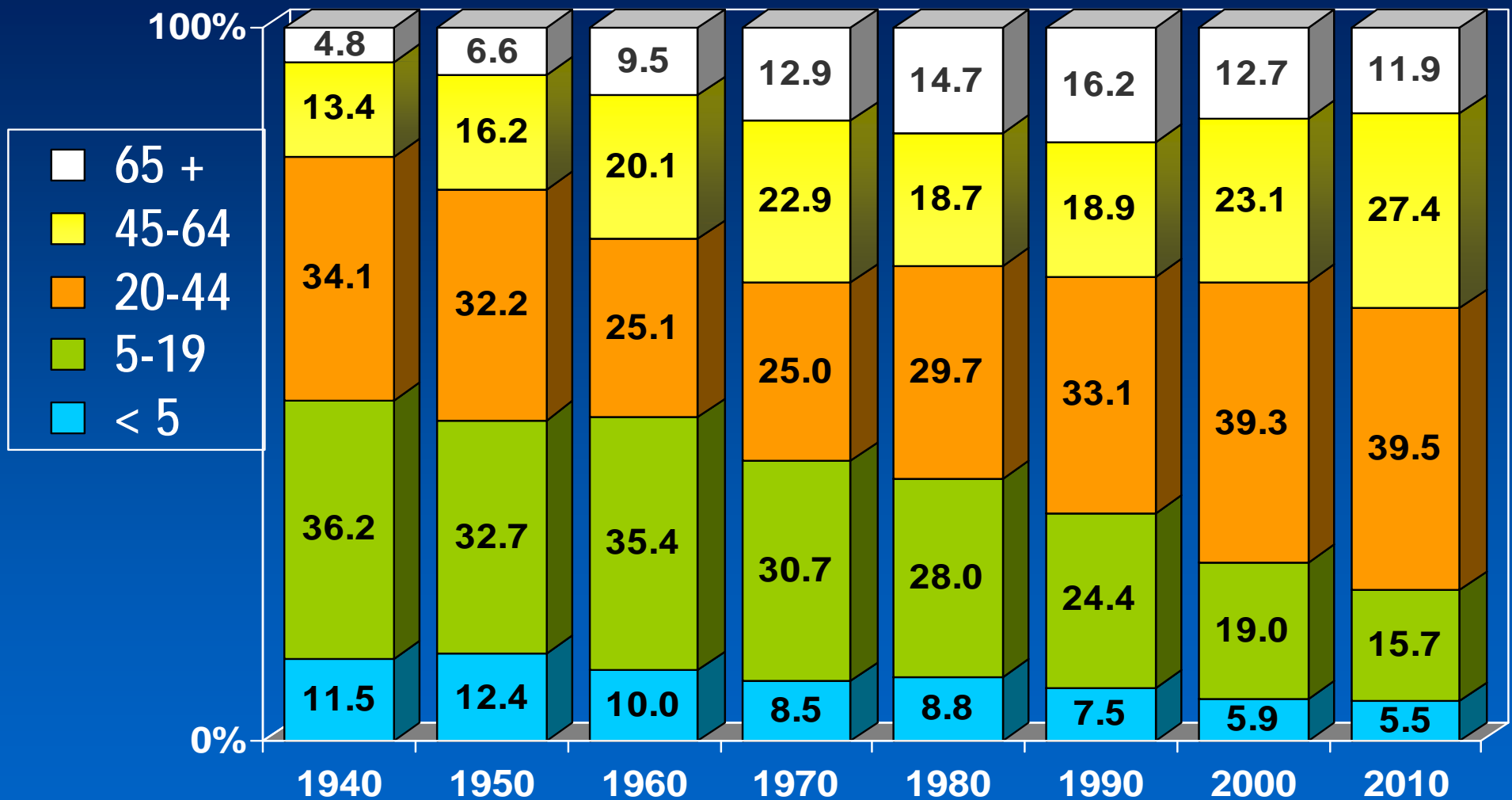
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Total Population Wheeler County



Primary data sources: U.S. Census Bureau, decennial censuses and estimates; GA Office of Planning & Budget projections (2012 series).

Population Composition by Age Wheeler County



2010 Median Age

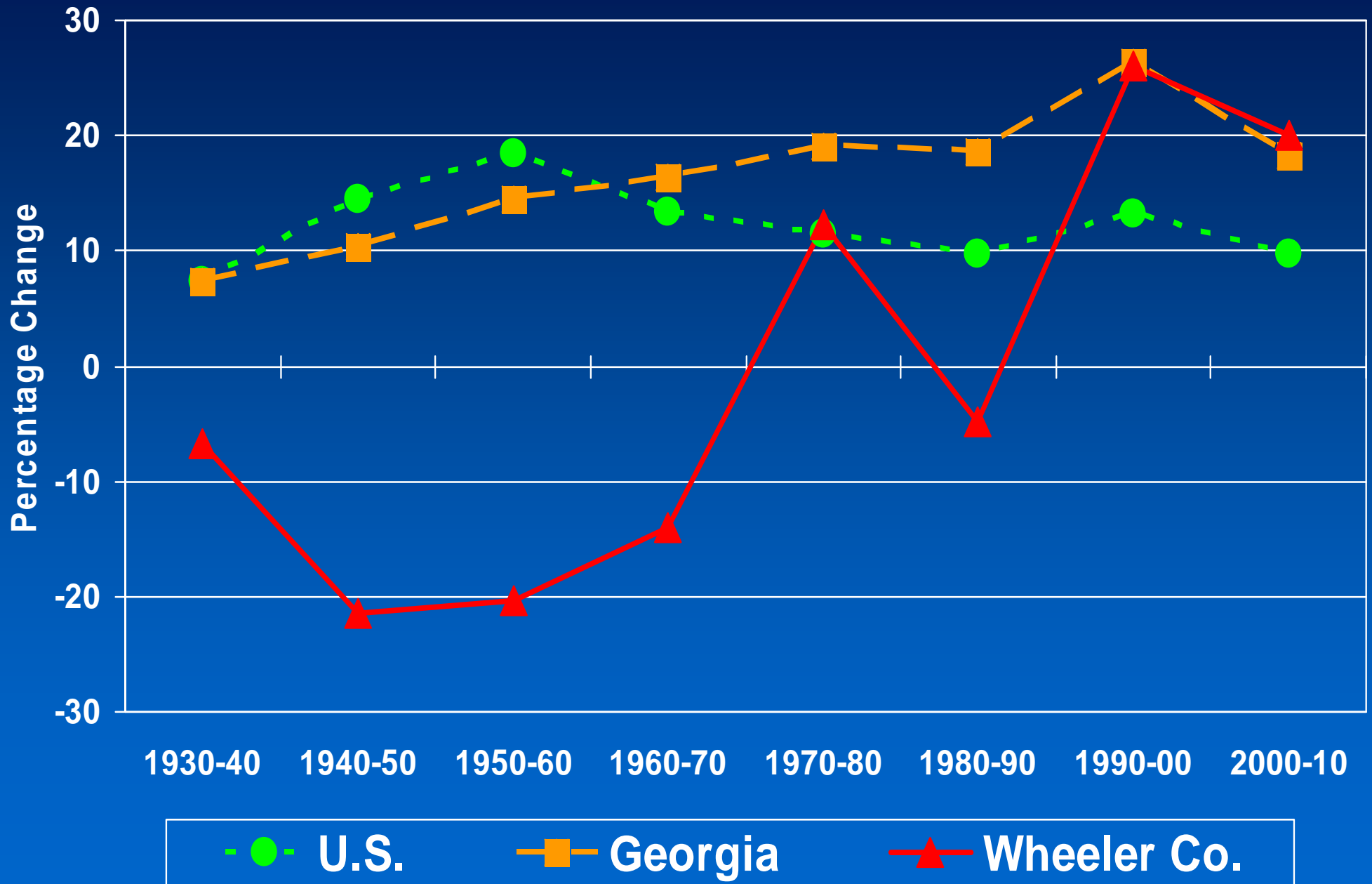
Wheeler Co. = 37.9 yrs.

GA = 35.3 yrs.

2010 County Population Comparisons

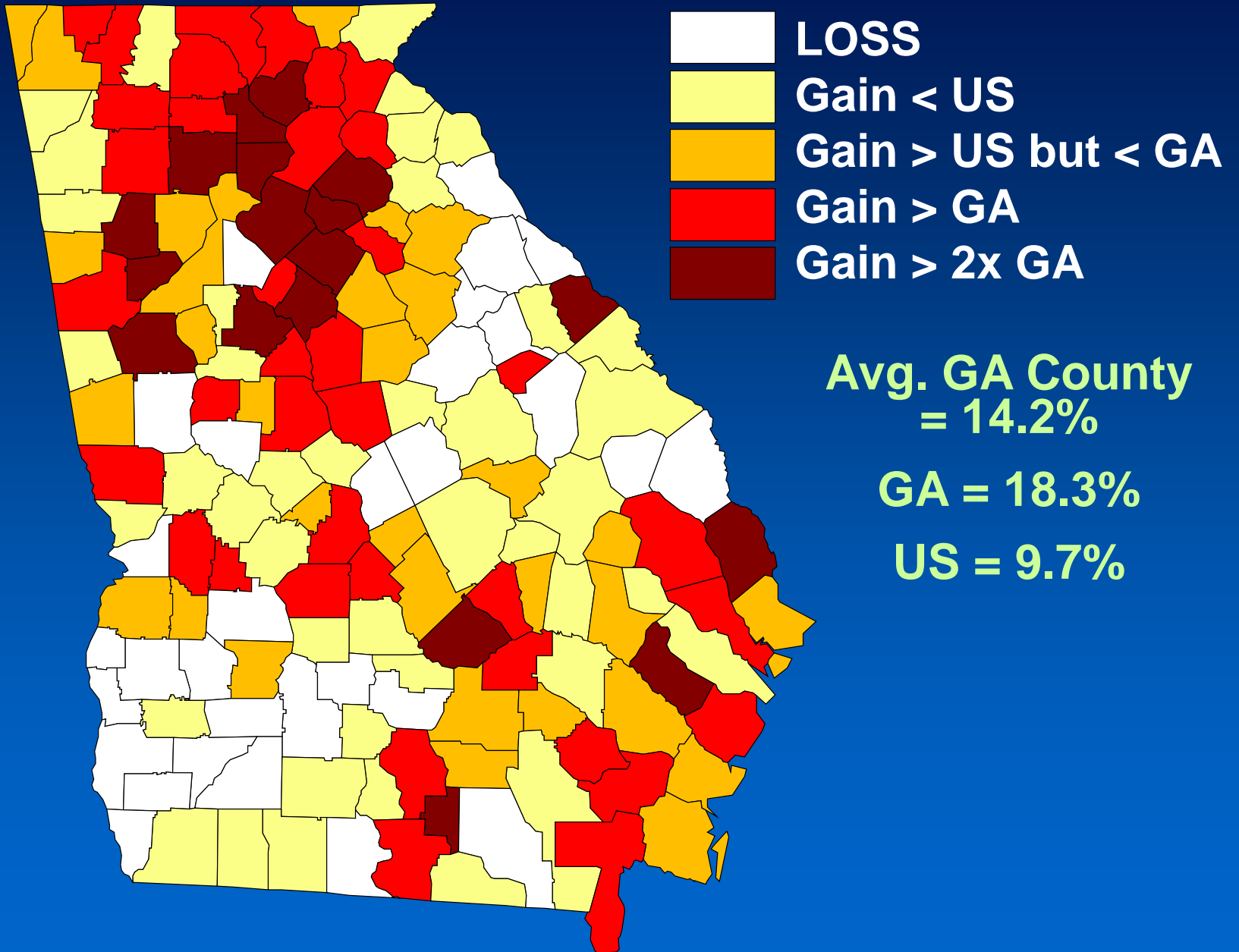
County	Total	Total Rank	Density per sq.mi. land area	% Chg. 2000-10	Rank of % Chg.
WHEELER	7,421	144	23.5	20.1	47
DODGE	21,796	85	39.5	13.7	72
JEFF DAVIS	15,068	107	41.0	18.8	52
LAURENS	48,434	42	59.5	7.9	97
MONTGOMERY	9,123	134	36.4	10.3	83
TELFAIR	16,500	103	29.0	39.9	12
TREUTLEN	6,885	145	35.2	0.5	126

Population Change: 1930-2010



Primary data source: U.S. Census Bureau

Population Change: 2000-2010



Components of Population Change

Natural Increase & Net Migration*

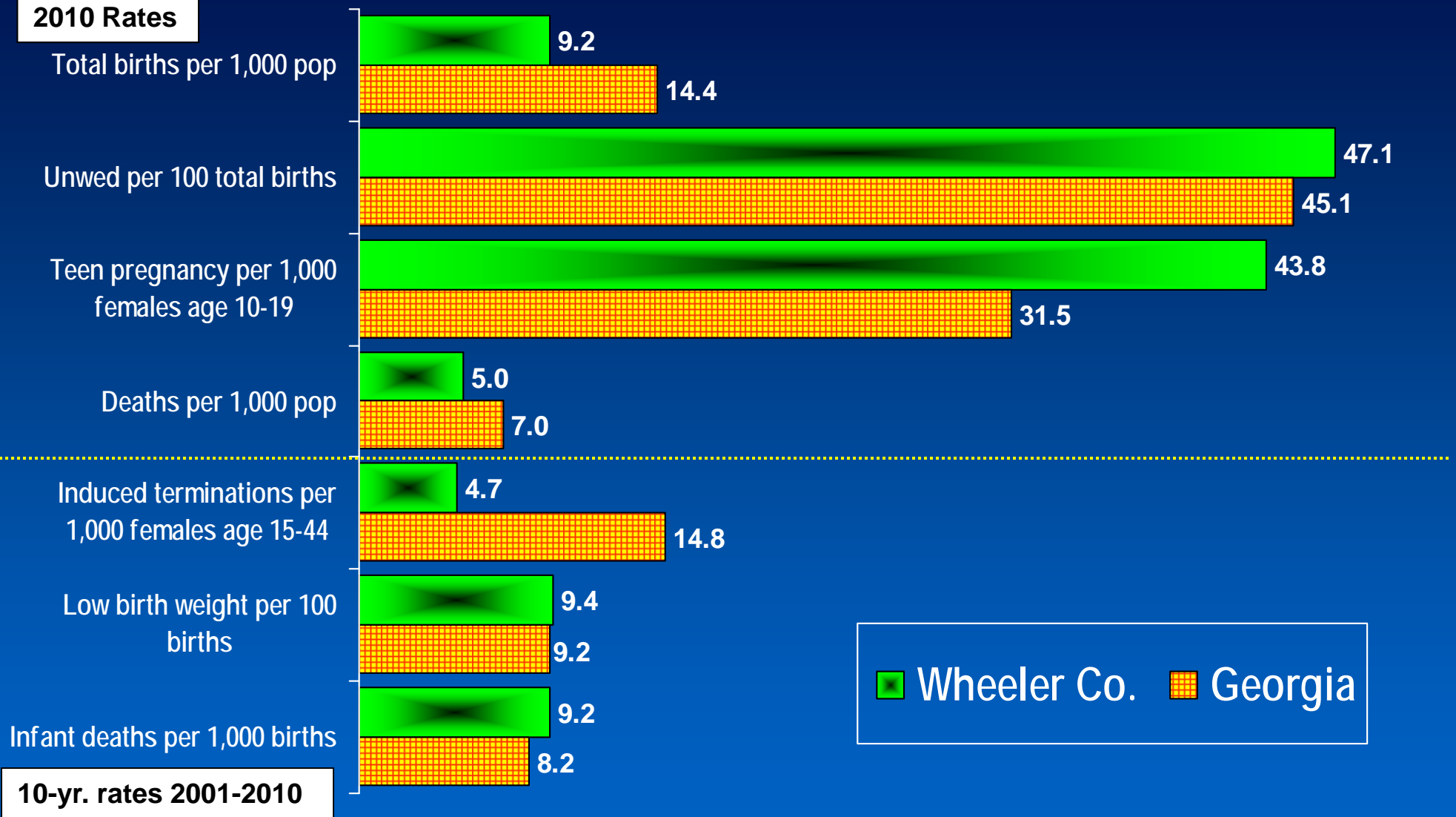
Area	4/1/2010- 7/1/2012 Numerical Change*	4/1/2010- 7/1/2012 # Natural Increase (Births-Deaths)	4/1/2010- 7/1/2012 # Net Migration	7/1/2011- 7/1/2012 1-yr Natural Increase Rate	7/1/2011- 7/1/2012 1-yr Net Migration Rate
WHEELER	467	15	434	-1.0	-18.5
DODGE	-468	2	-531	0.0	-4.1
JEFF DAVIS	88	184	-88	4.4	-3.4
LAURENS	-393	289	-740	2.9	-3.4
MONTGOMERY	-210	38	-272	1.9	-15.6
TELFAIR	-151	23	-189	-0.4	3.6
TREUTLEN	-116	17	-130	1.0	-10.1
Avg. County	1,461	861	571	2.8	-3.2
GEORGIA	232,282	136,956	90,782	6.1	4.8

Primary data source:
U. S. Census Bureau (3/13)

* Numerical change includes "residual" not represented in either NI or NM.

Selected Vital Statistics

2010 Rates



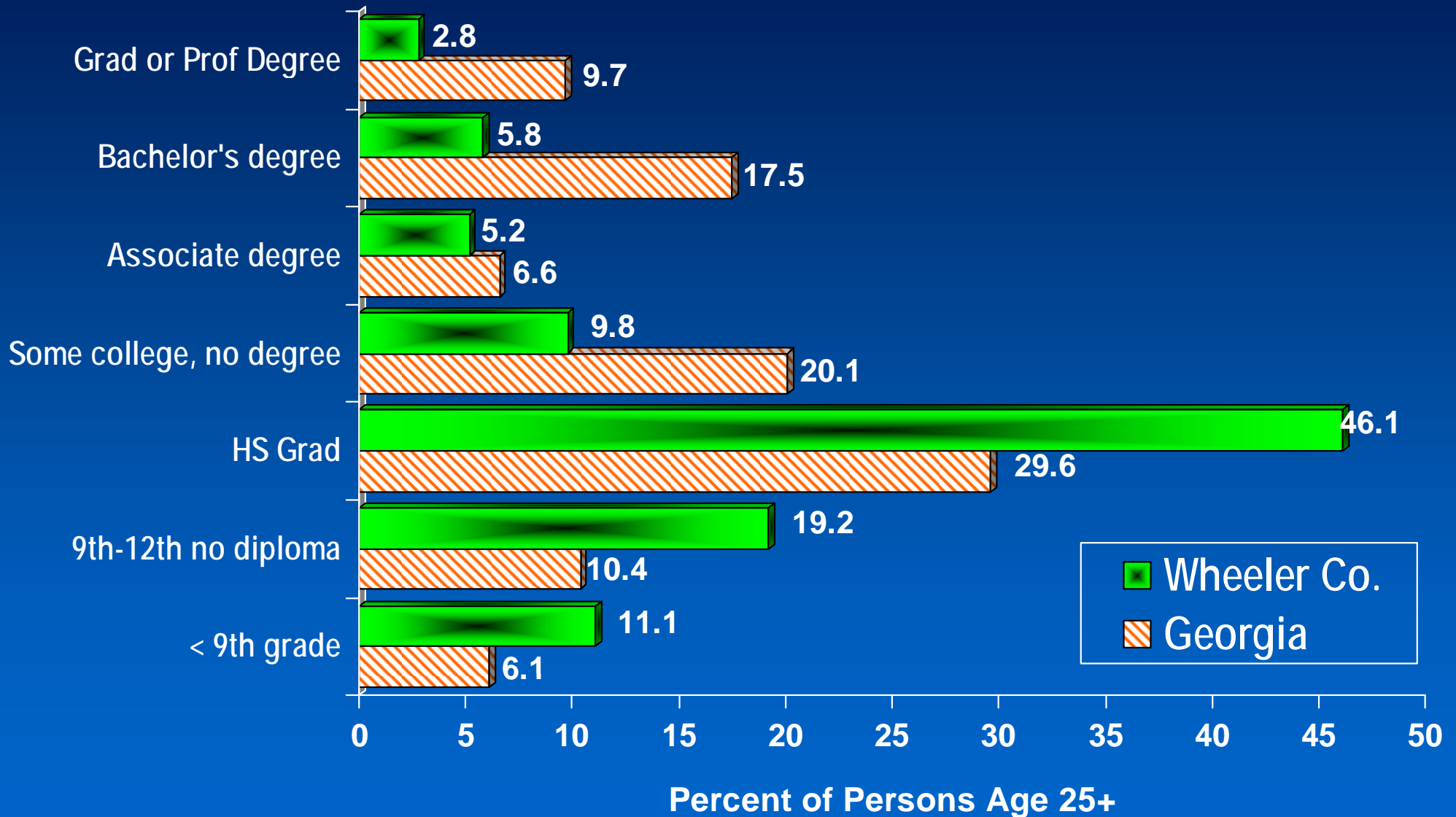
10-yr. rates 2001-2010

2010 Wheeler Co. Natality Data
 68 total births, 32 unwed births
 6 induced terminations
 16 teen pregnancies
 9 low birth weight babies

2010 Wheeler Co. Mortality Data
 37 total deaths
 0 infant deaths

Highest Level of Educational Attainment: 2006-2010

5 Yr. Avg. – American Community Survey



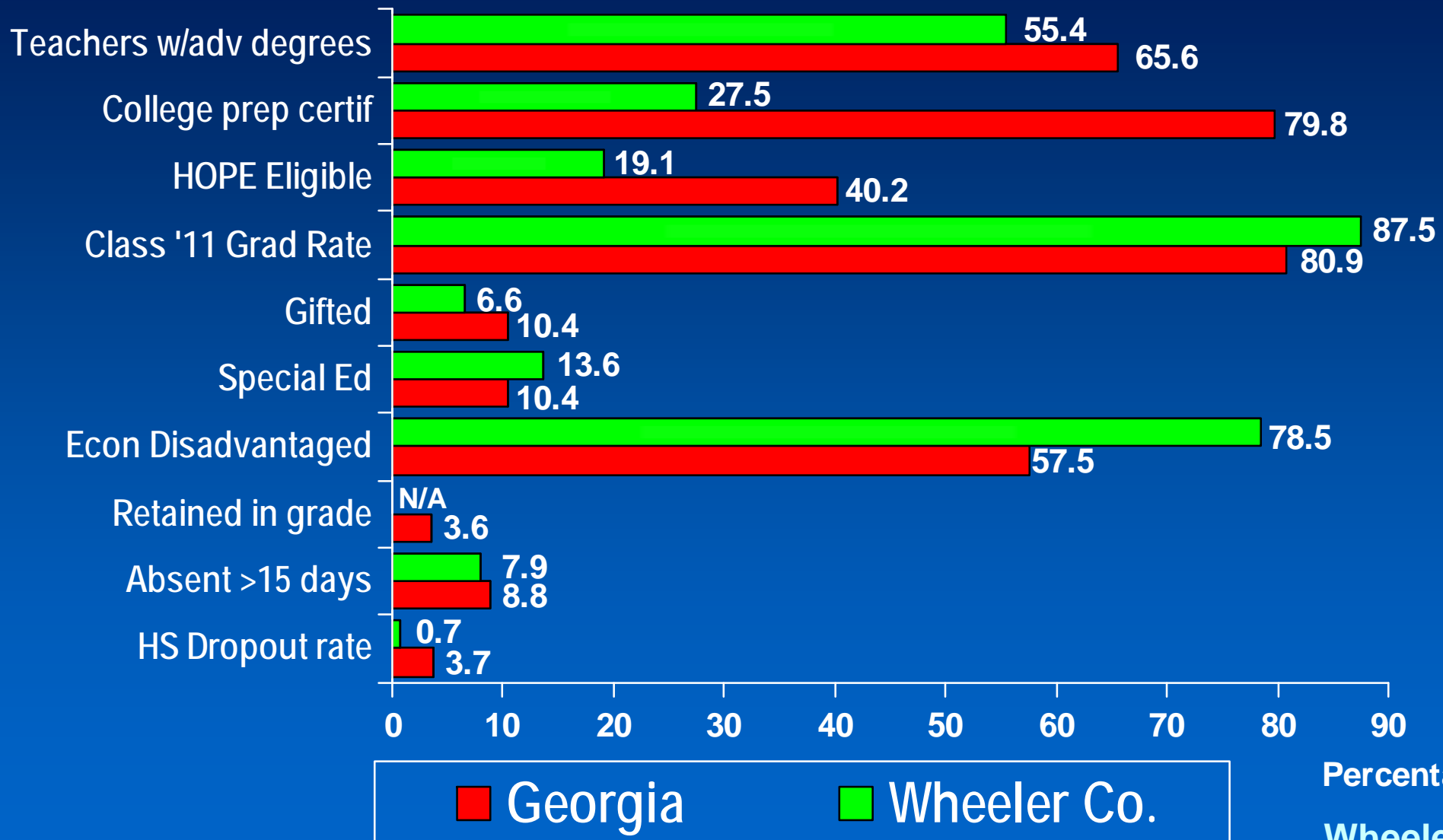
Wheeler Co.

Not completing HS = 30.3%

With a bachelor's + degree = 8.6%

Primary data source: U.S. Census Bureau

Selected Public School Statistics School Year 2010-11



Percentage

Wheeler Co.

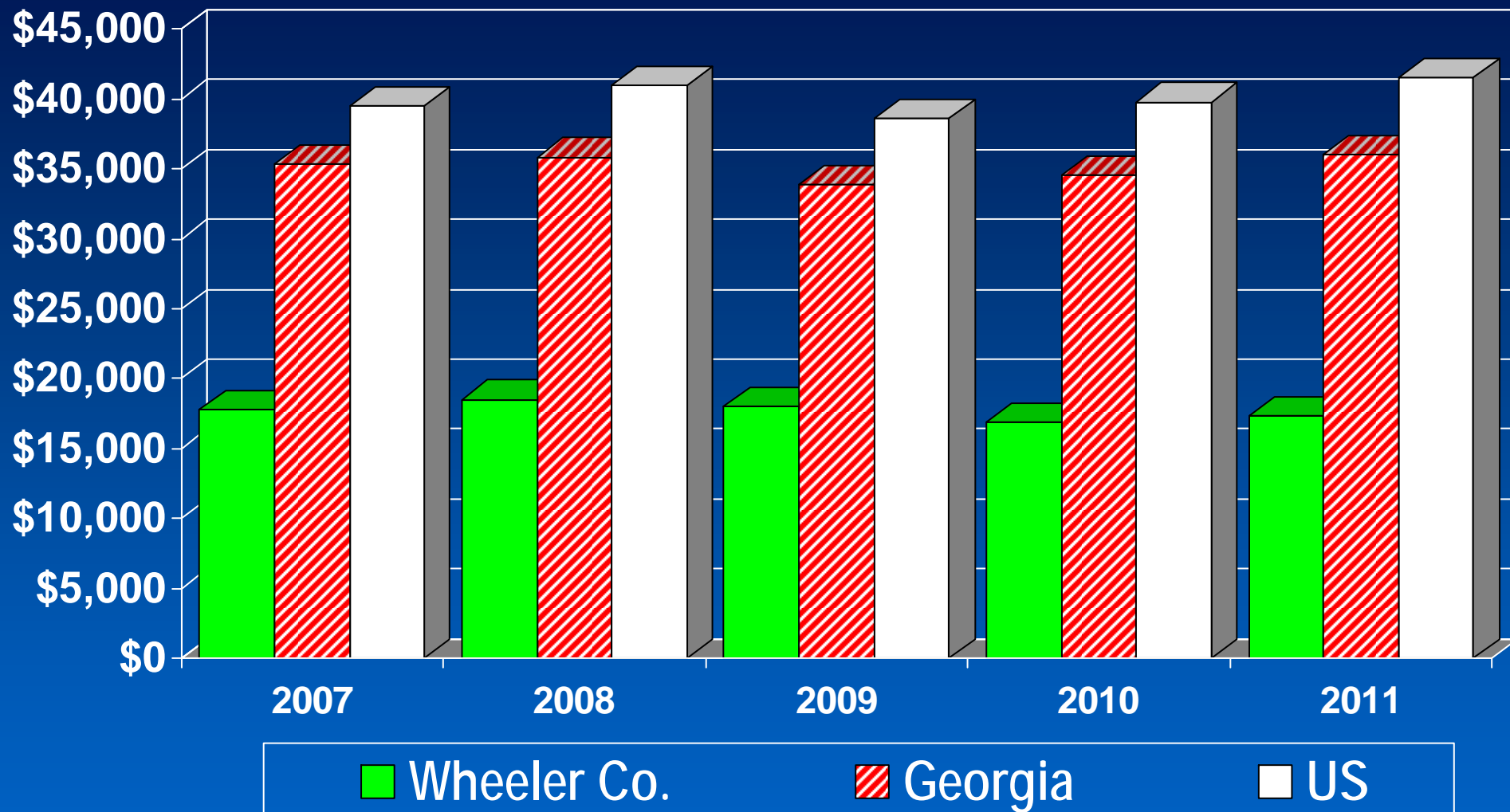
K12 enrollment = 940

HS dropouts = 2

Primary data source:
Governor's Office of Student Achievement

General Fund Expenditures per FTE = \$7,089

Per Capita Income: 2007-2011

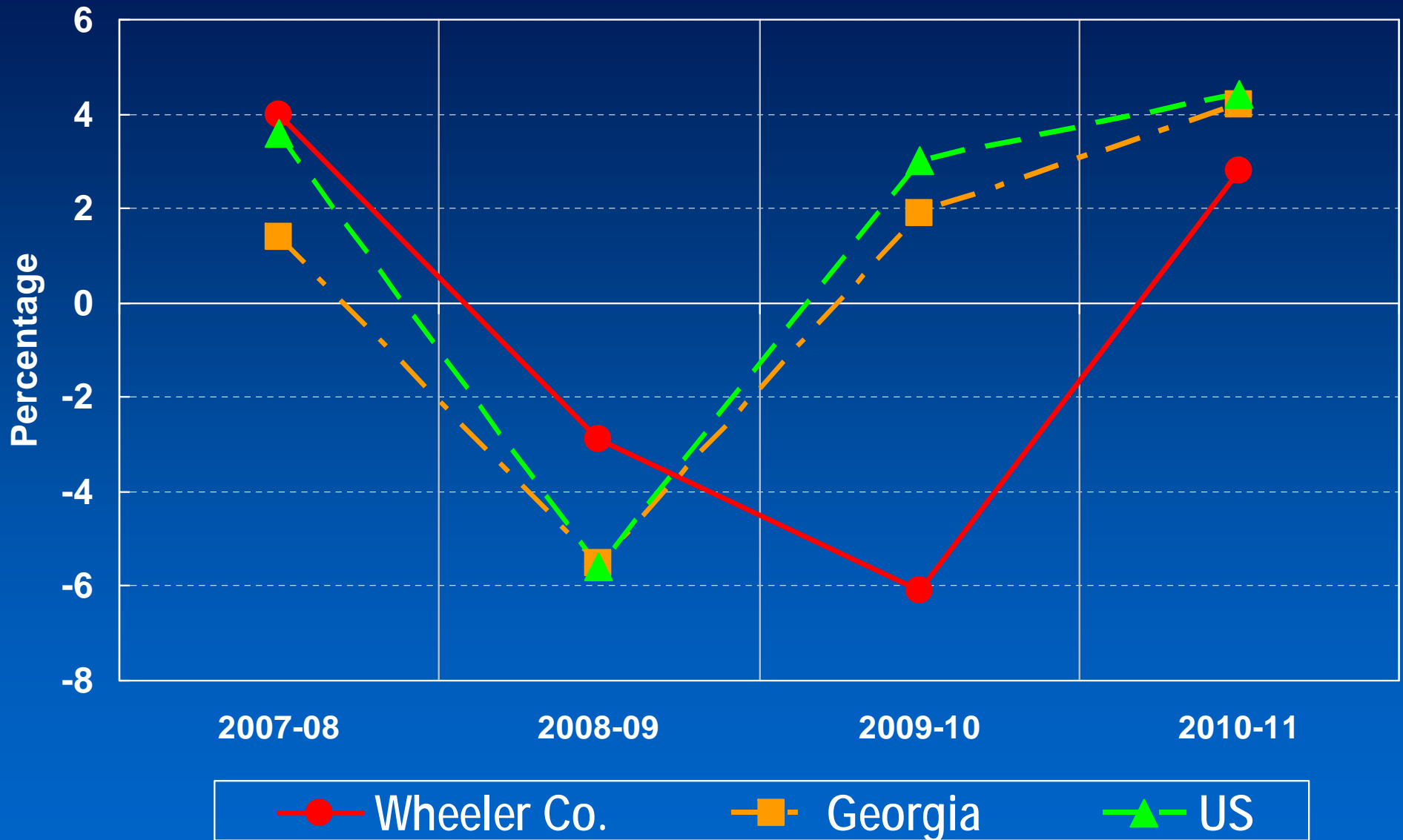


2011 PCI
Wheeler Co. = \$17,340

Georgia = \$35,979
US = \$41,560

Per Capita Income: 2007-2011

Percentage Change

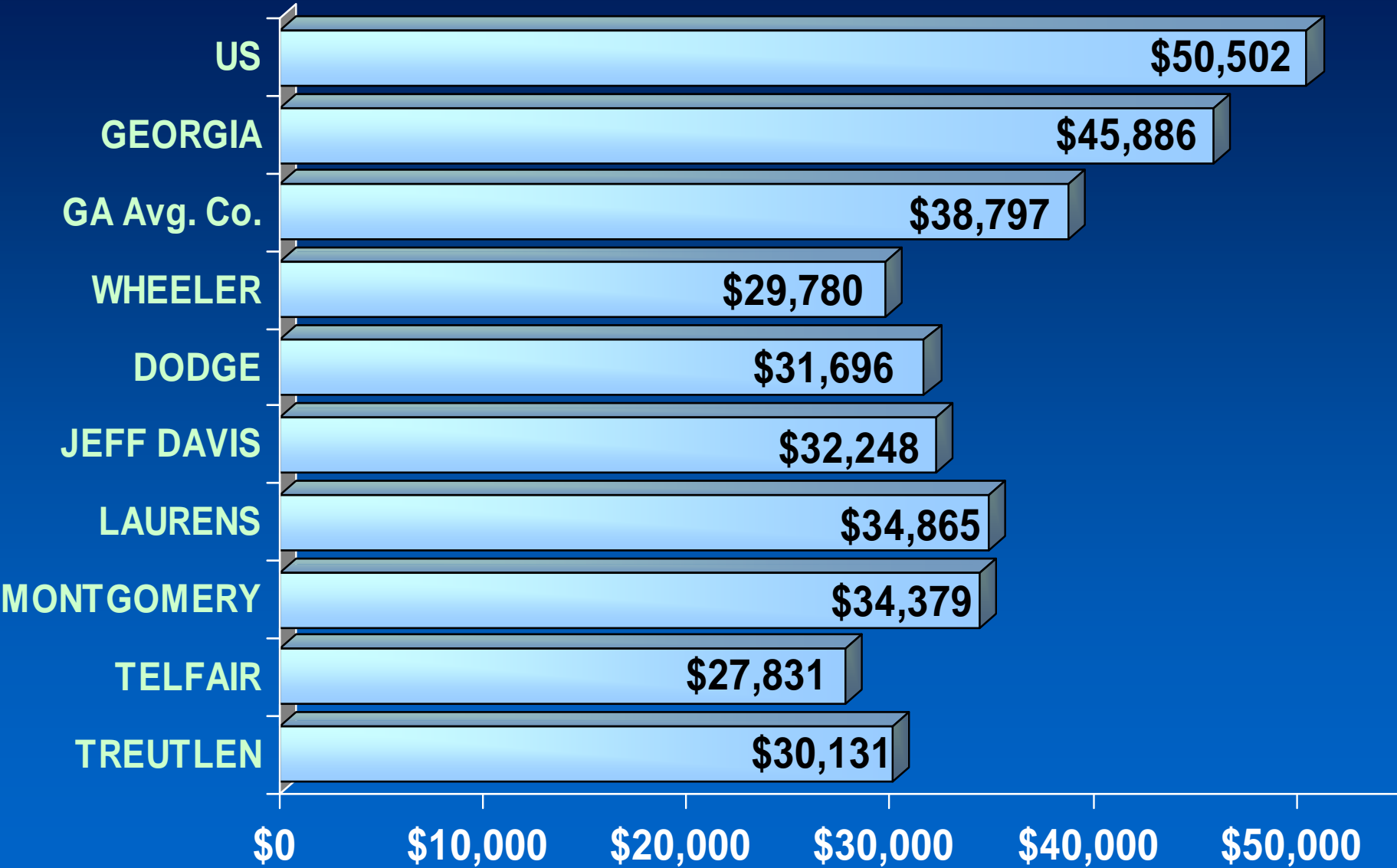


Per Capita Income: 2011

County	PCI	Rank of PCI	% PCI of GA Total	% Change in PCI 2007-2011
WHEELER	\$17,340	159	48.2	-2.5
DODGE	\$23,183	145	64.4	4.9
JEFF DAVIS	\$24,979	135	69.4	7.3
LAURENS	\$29,622	64	82.3	4.2
MONTGOMERY	\$26,251	121	73.0	13.3
TELFAIR	\$17,385	158	48.3	6.9
TREUTLEN	\$24,686	138	68.6	14.0
GA Avg. Co.	\$29,704	--	82.6	7.8

Median Household Income

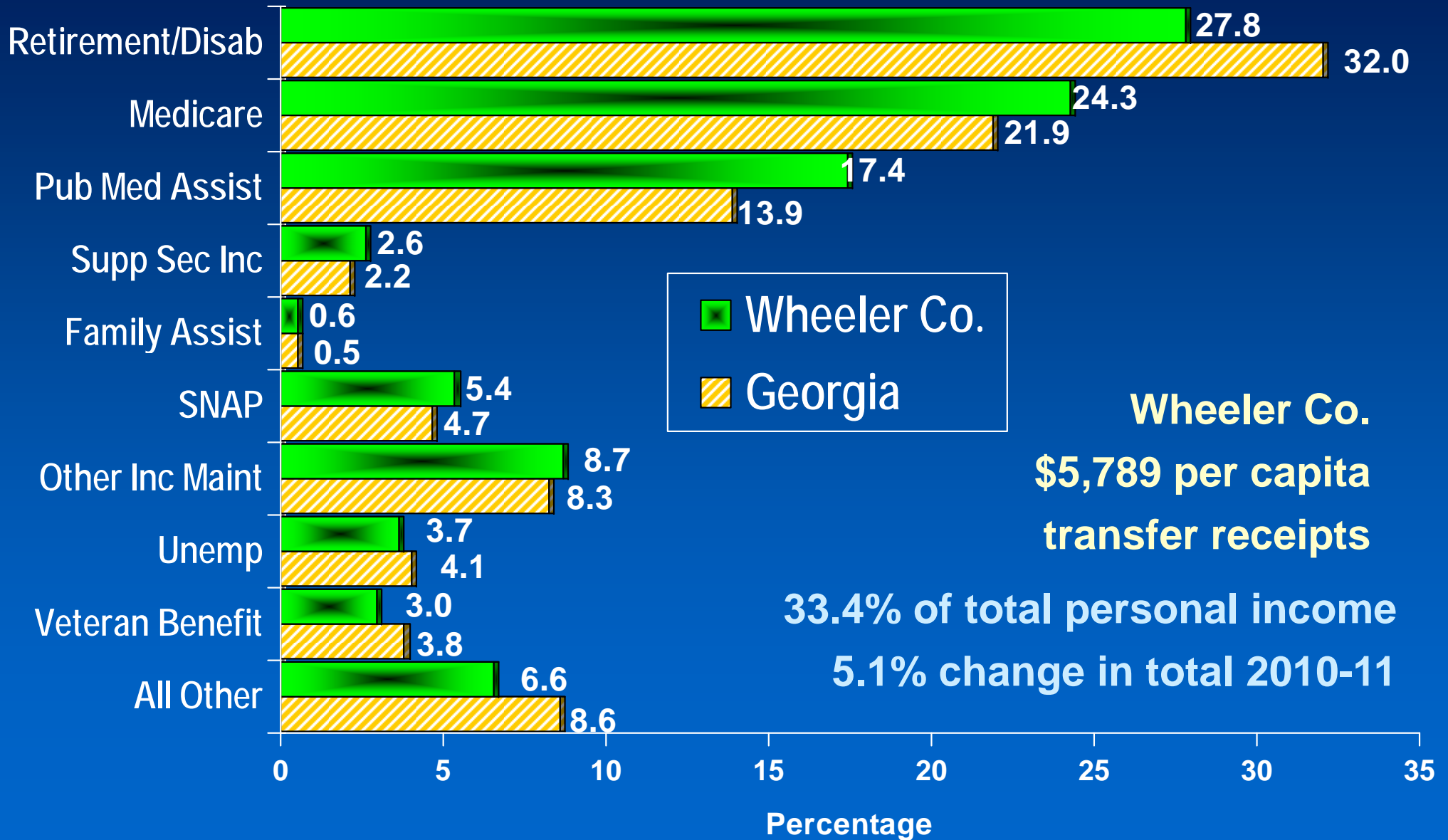
2011 Model-Based Estimates



Primary data source: U. S. Census Bureau (12/12)

Transfer Receipts: 2011

Wheeler Co. Total = \$45,959,000

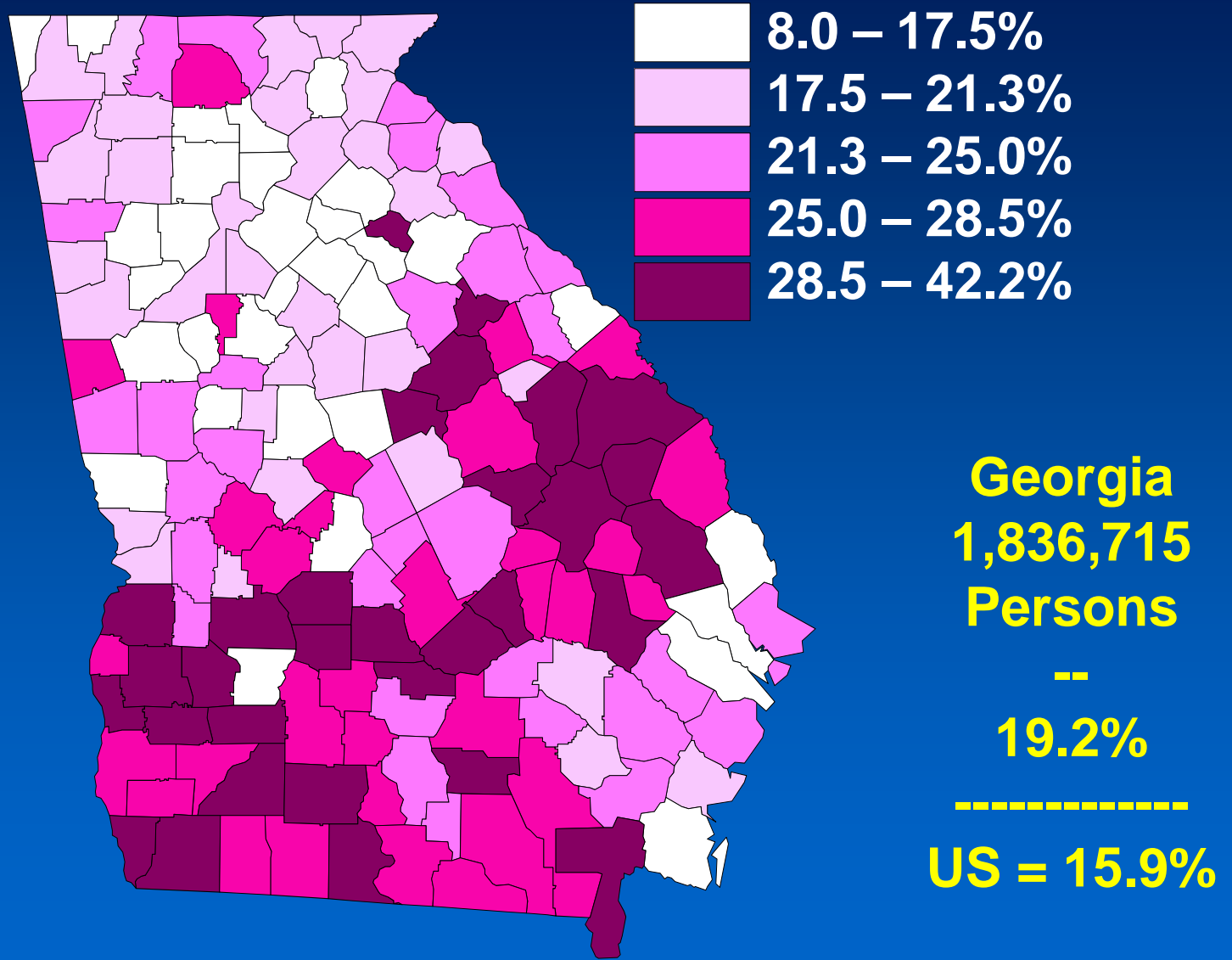


Persons Living Below Poverty Level

2011 Model-Based Estimates

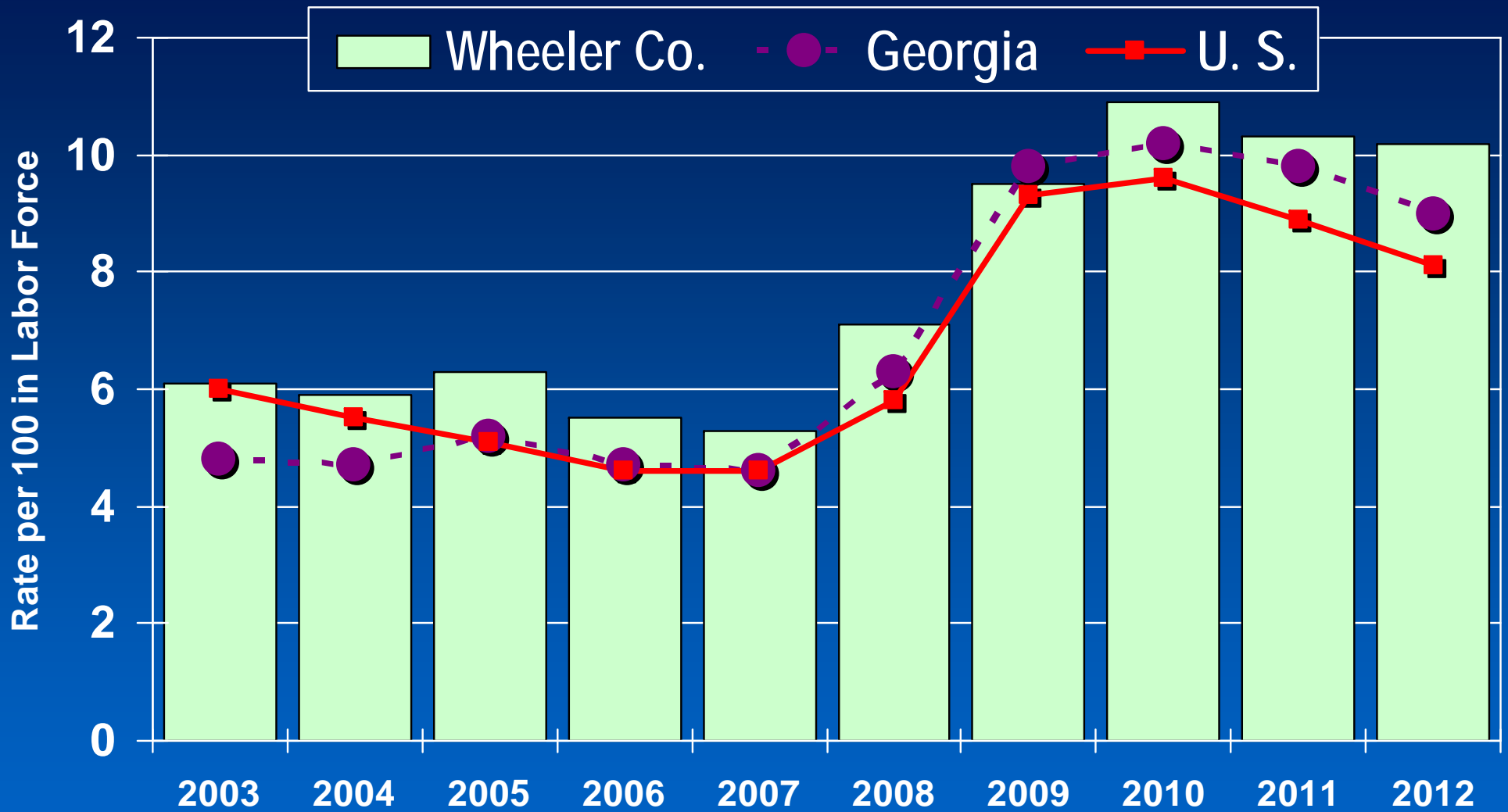
County	# of Persons	% of all Persons	Rank of %
WHEELER	2,230	42.2	159
DODGE	5,459	27.4	117
JEFF DAVIS	3,743	25.0	96
LAURENS	11,688	24.9	94
MONTGOMERY	2,138	25.7	101
TELFAIR	4,703	36.4	155
TREUTLEN	1,804	28.0	122
GA Avg. Co.	11,552	23.2	--

Persons Living Below the Poverty Level 2011 Model-Based Estimates



Weighted
average poverty
threshold for a
family household
of 4 persons in
2011 = \$23,021

Civilian Labor Force Average Annual Unemployment Rates



2012 Rates Wheeler Co. = 10.2 GA = 9.0 US = 8.1
Avg. GA County = 10.1

Establishments, Employment & Wages: 2011 Averages

Wheeler County	Avg. # Establishments	Avg. Monthly Employment	Avg. Wage Weekly
TOTAL GOODS PRODUCING	26	192	\$688
Ag, forestry, fishing	21	--	--
Construction	5	--	--
Manufacturing	0	--	--
TOTAL SERVICE PROVIDING	50	862	\$594
Wholesale trade	3	--	--
Retail trade	12	70	\$308
Transp/Warehousing	12	78	\$584
Finance/Insurance	3	--	--
Professional/Sci/Tech	1	--	--
Admin/Suppt/WasteMgmt/Remediation	3	--	--
Health care/Soc Svcs	6	199	\$618
Accommodations/Food Svc	4	19	\$286
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	15	342	\$503
TOTAL ALL INDUSTRIES	93	1,398	\$584

Primary data source: GA Dept. of Labor (7/12)

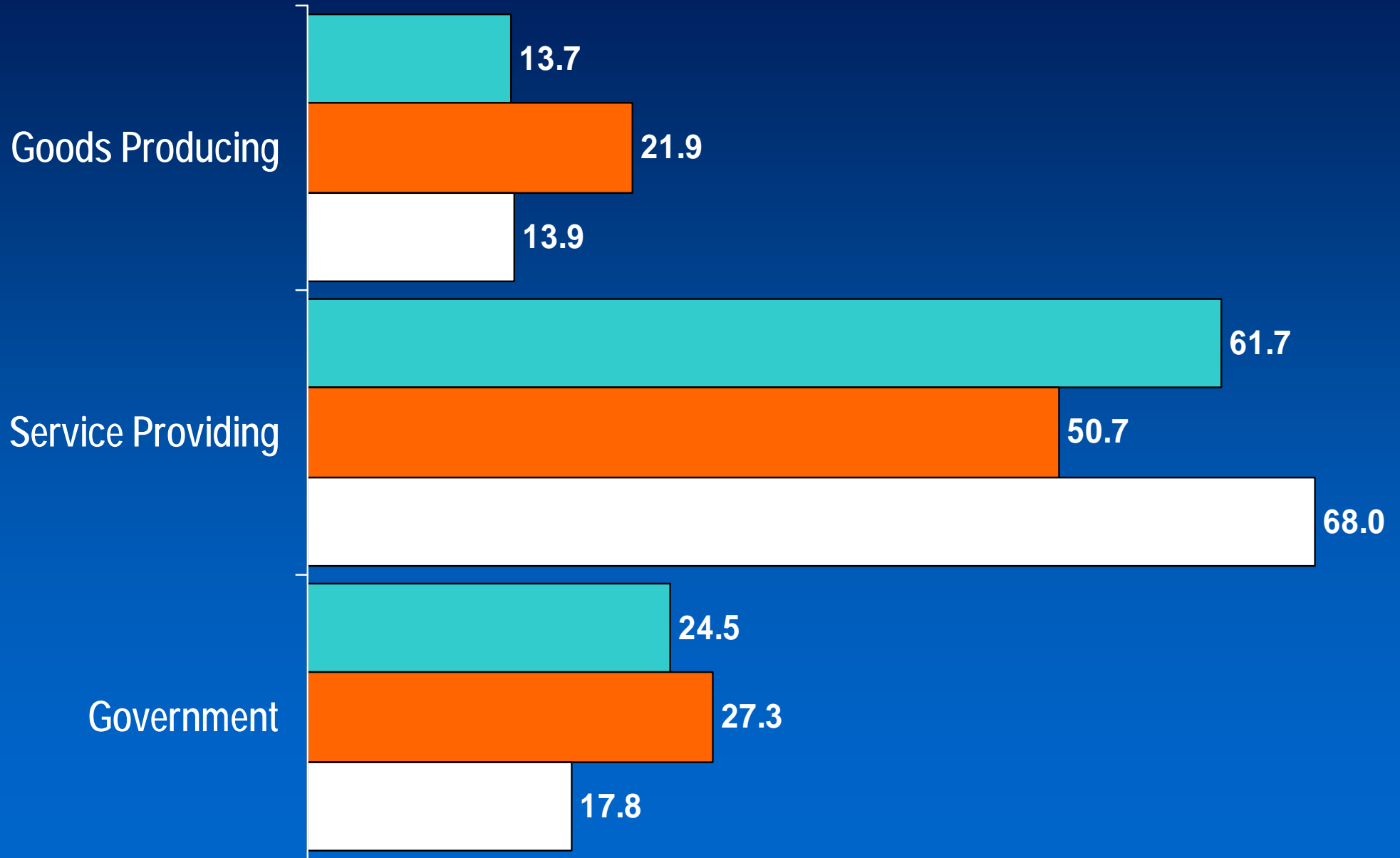
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Employment Comparisons by Industry Group: 2011

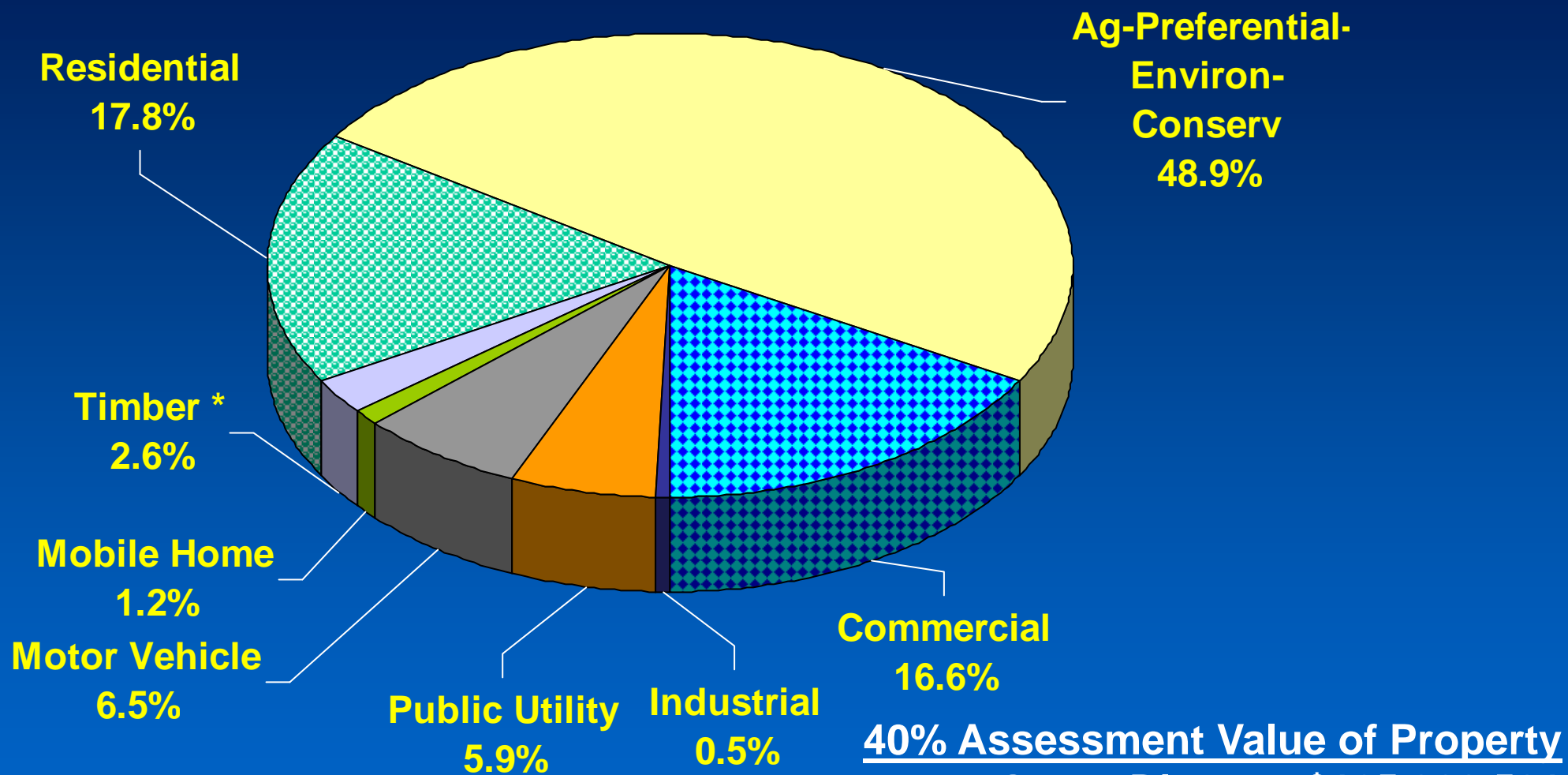
■ Wheeler Co.

■ Avg. GA County

■ Georgia



Components of 2011 Property Tax Gross Digest Wheeler County



40% Assessment Value of Property

Gross Digest = \$165,328,581

Homestead & Property Exemptions = \$39,991,754

Net M&O Digest = \$125,336,827

Value of exempt property = \$2,530,900

Primary data source:
GA Dept. of Revenue

* Timber taxed at 100% based on previous year sales

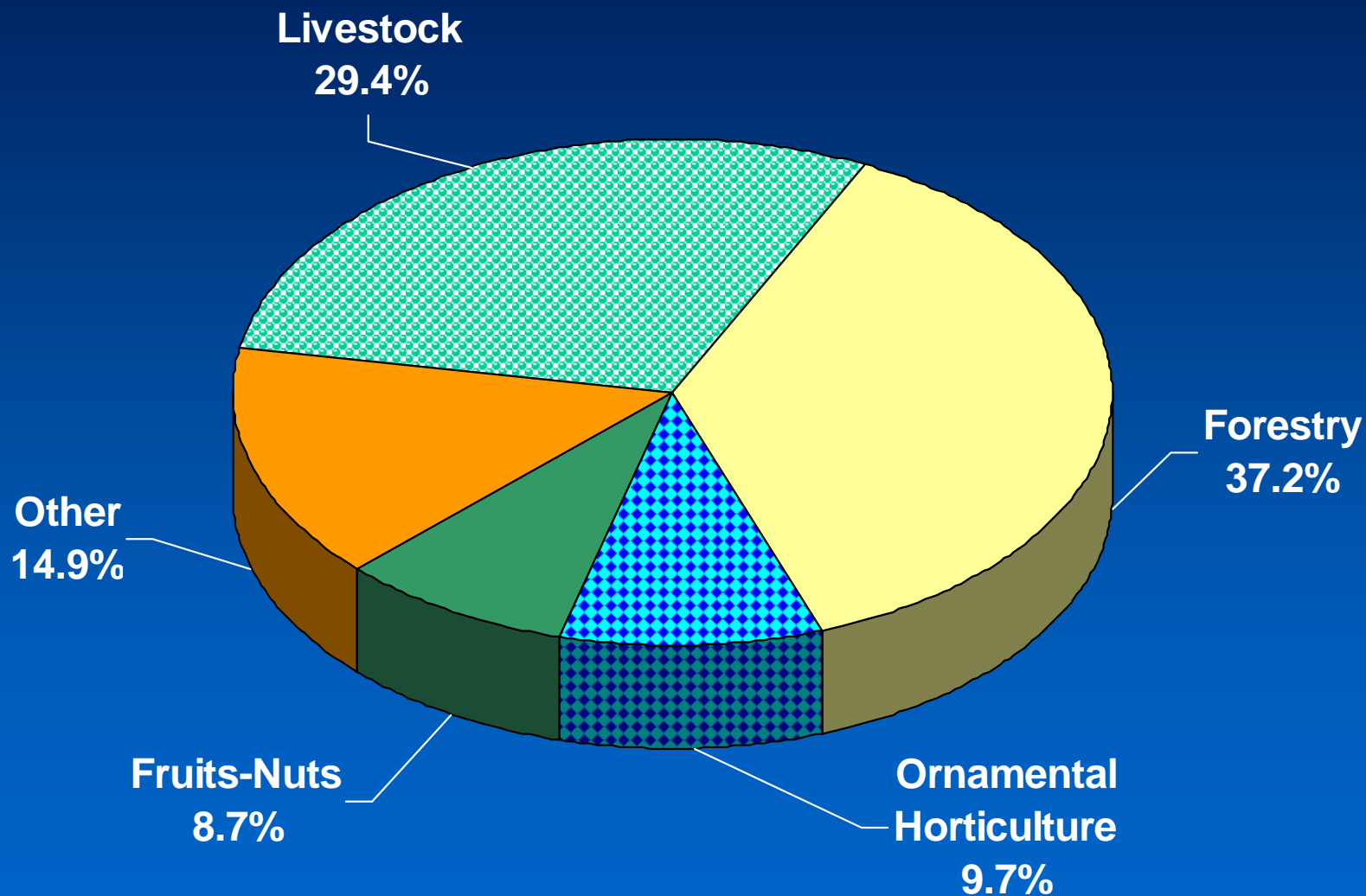
Millage Rates, Taxes Levied, & Sales Tax Rate

County	2011 County-wide Millage*	2010 Taxes Levied* (\$000)	Sales Tax Rate as of 1/1/2013	LOST Type* as of 1/1/2013
WHEELER	31.863	\$4,317	8	LSET
DODGE	22.250	\$9,127	8	LSET
JEFF DAVIS	25.880	\$7,293	8	LSET
LAURENS	22.570	\$30,108	8	LSET
MONTGOMERY	24.946	\$4,977	8	LSET
TELFAIR	29.439	\$8,779	8	LSET
TREUTLEN	24.607	\$2,958	7	LET

*Countywide Includes .250 state millage. Taxes levied, but not necessarily collected. L=Local Option, S=Special Purpose, E=Educational, T=Transportation

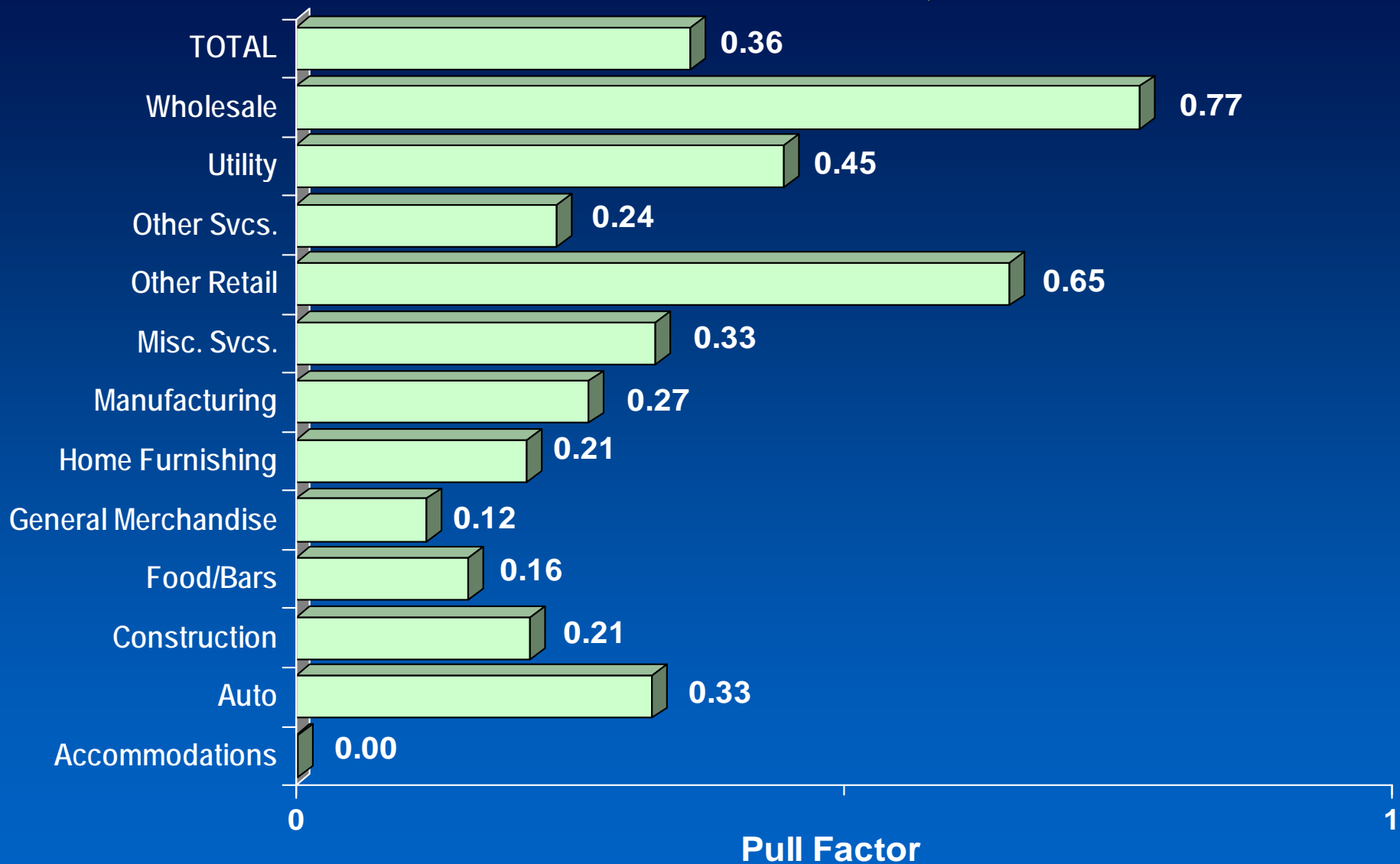
Farm Gate Value by Commodity Group: 2011

Wheeler Co. Total Value = \$20,471,493



1% Sales & Use Tax Distributions: 2011

Wheeler Co. = \$465,296

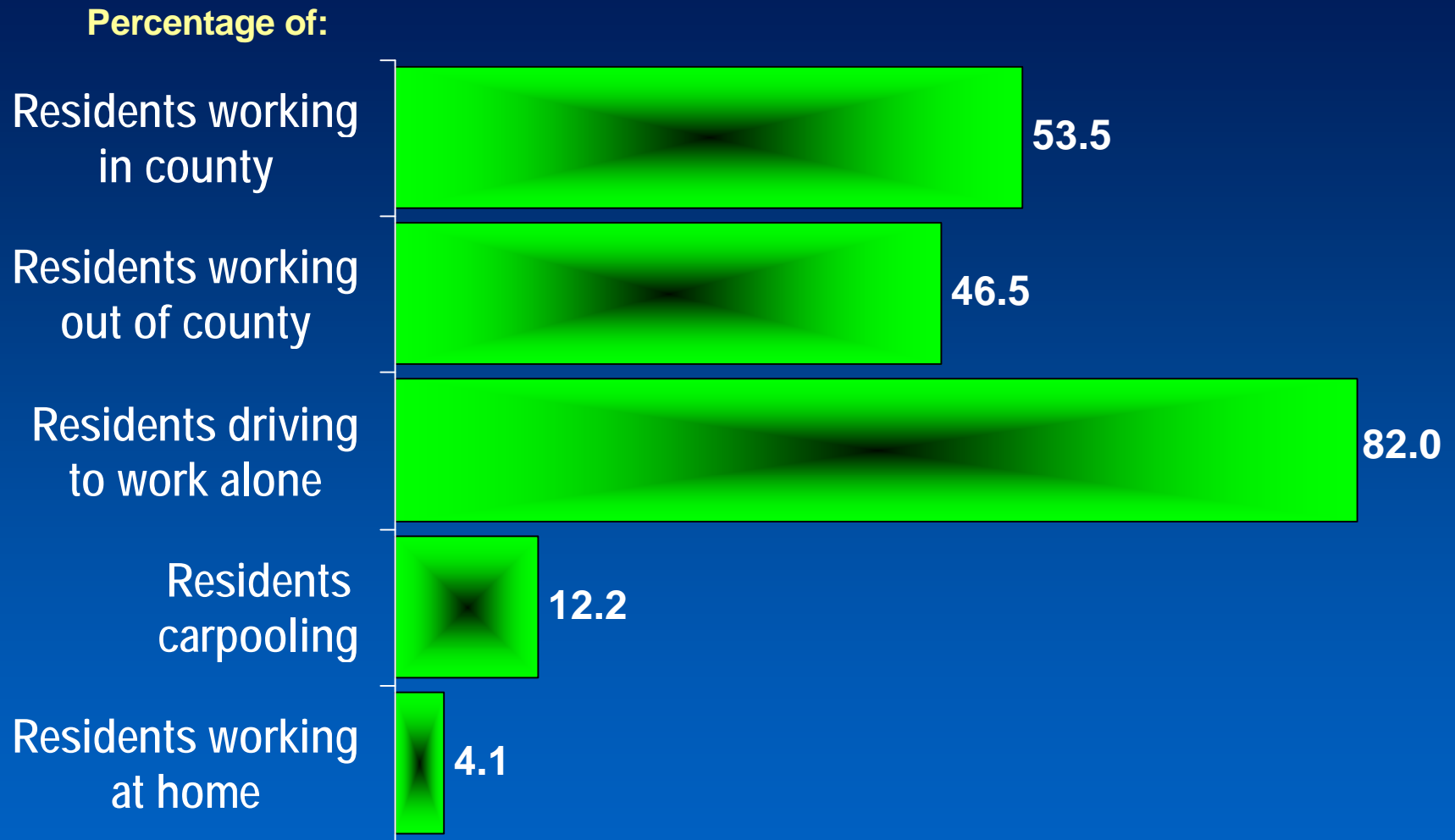


A "pull factor" of 1.0 means that the county's sales are what would be expected based upon the number of residents and their relative wealth.

Primary data sources: Georgia Dept. of Revenue, Sales & Use Tax Unit. Pull factor calculations by Center for Agribusiness and Economic Development.

Commuting to Work: 2006-2010

5 Yr. Average – American Community Survey



Resident workers 16+ = 1,746
Residents working in county = 934
Residents working out of county = 812

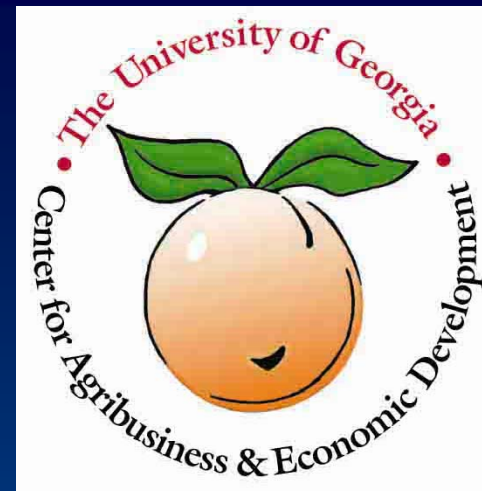
Travel time to work for residents not working at home:
< 20 min. = 56.4%
20-44 min. = 39.2%
45+ min. = 4.5%

*This study was developed to assist
community leadership with their
future planning and decision making.*

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