

Thomas County Community Profile

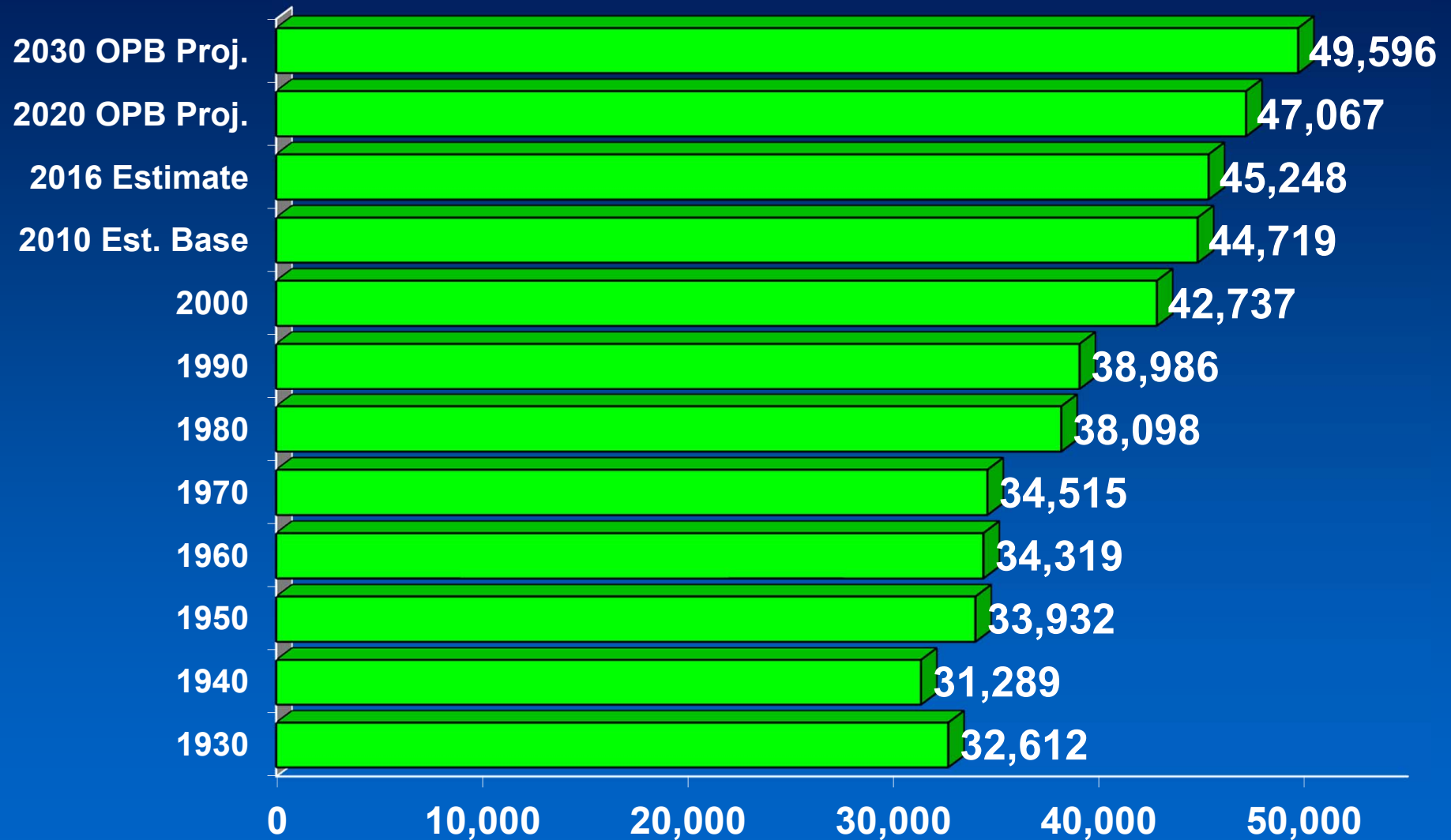


Photo: Ed Jackson

**67th in order of
county creation
December 23, 1825**

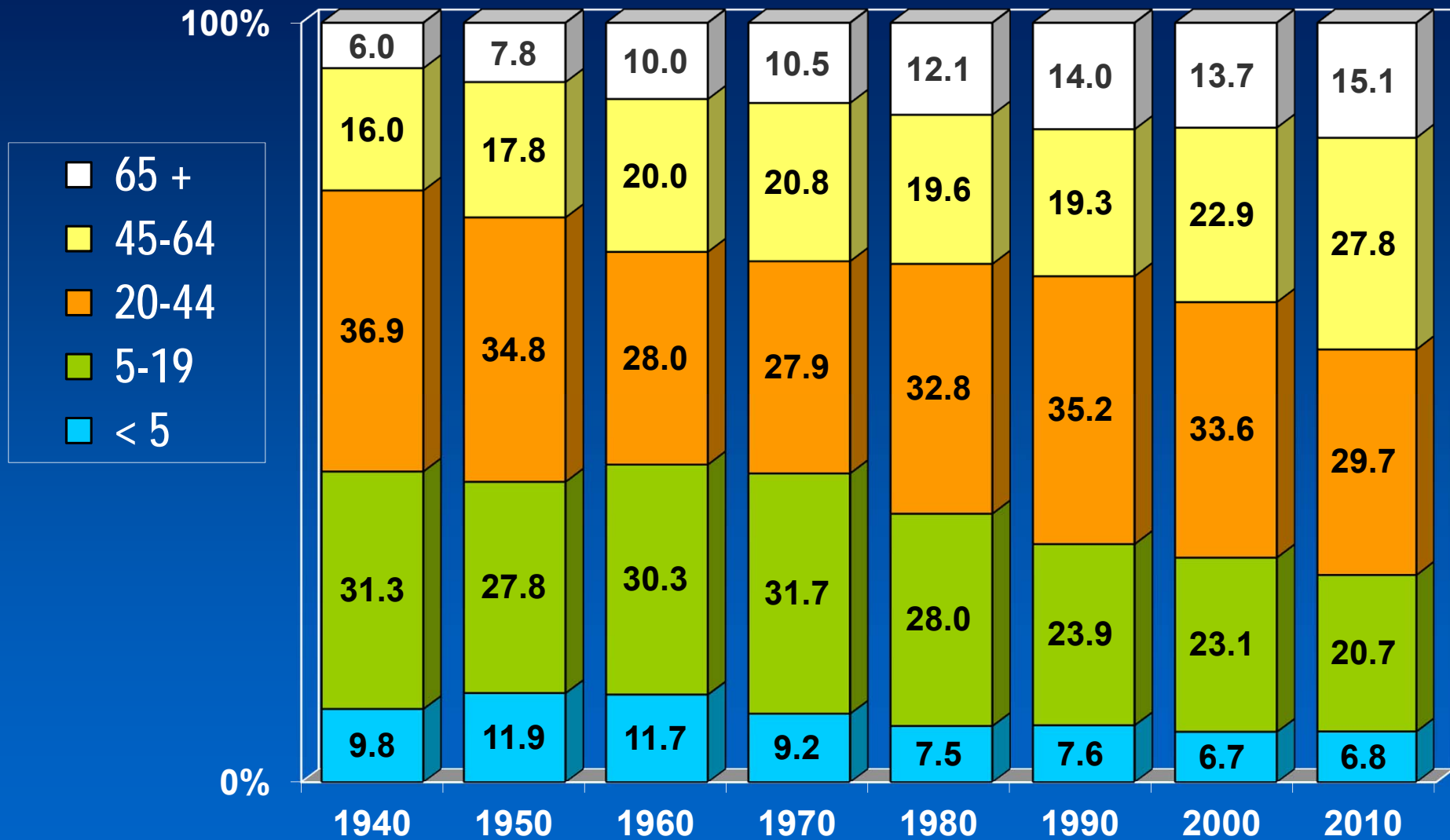
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Thomas County Total Population



Primary data sources: U.S. Census Bureau, decennial censuses and estimates; GA Office of Planning & Budget projections (2015 series).

Population Composition by Age Thomas County

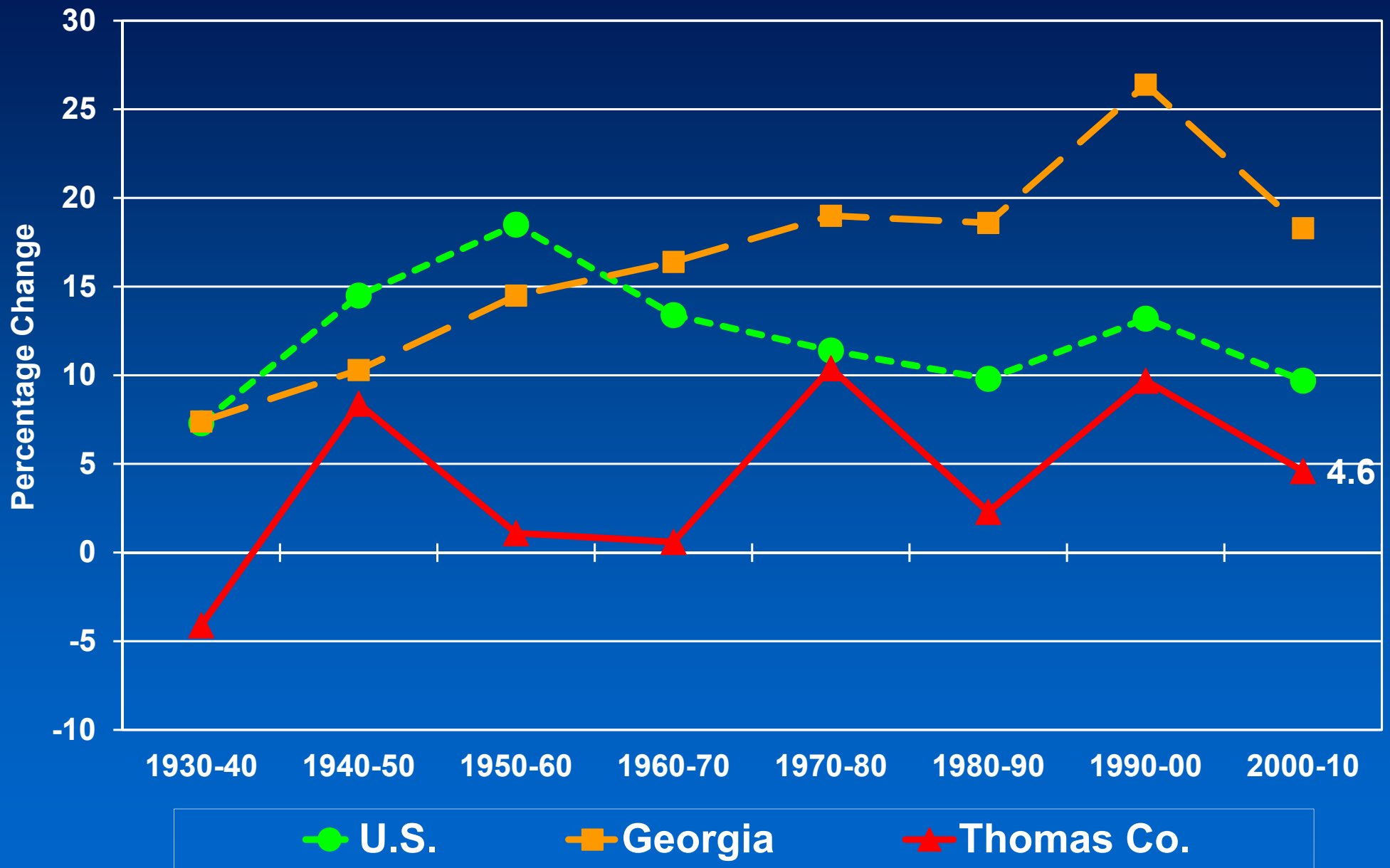


2016 Median Age Thomas Co. = 39.9 yrs. GA = 36.5 yrs.

2016 County Population Comparisons

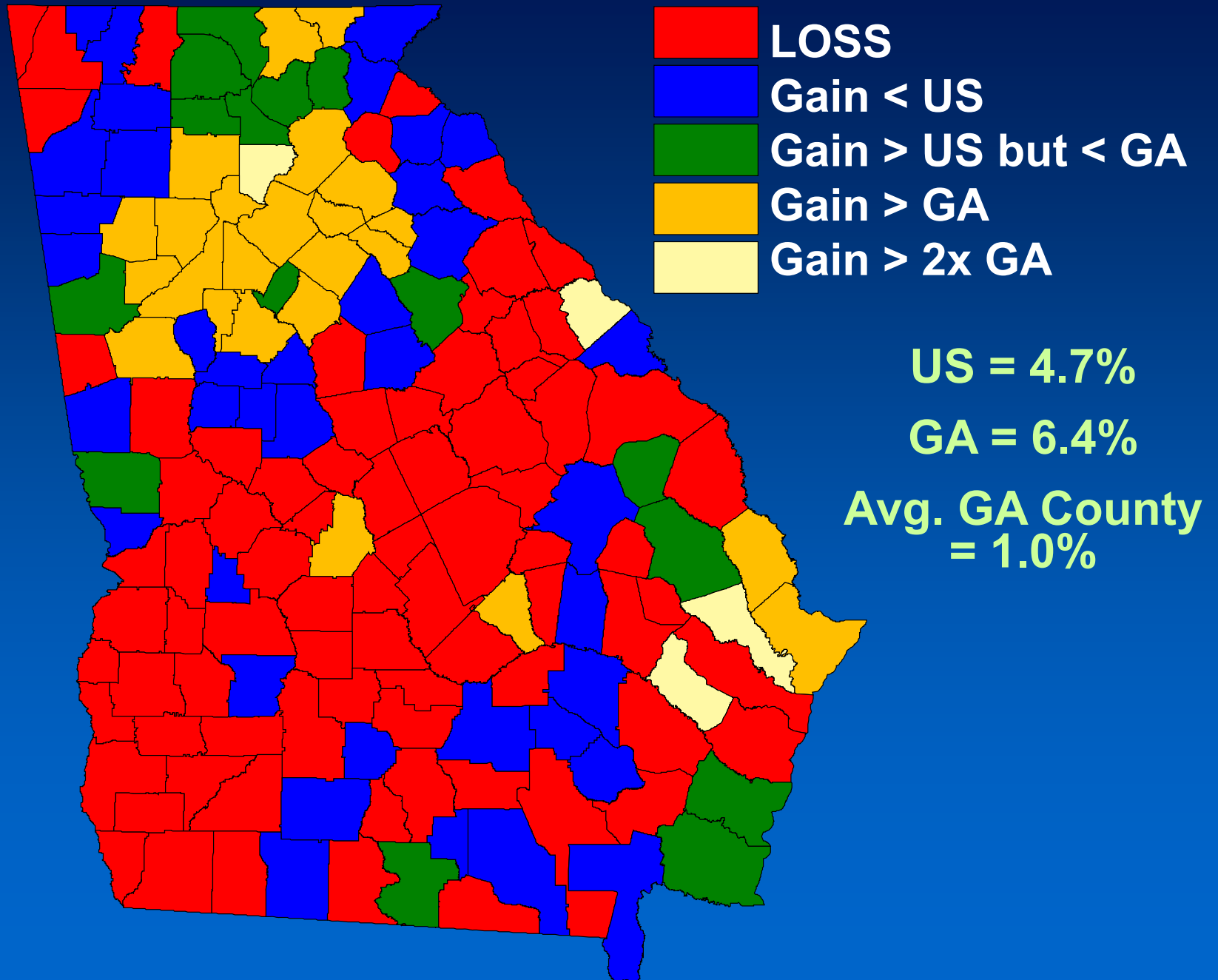
County	Total	Total Rank	Density per sq.mi. land area	% Chg. 2010-16	Rank of % Chg.
THOMAS	45,248	44	91.1	1.2	65
BROOKS	15,687	107	29.5	-3.9	127
COLQUITT	45,708	43	99.2	0.5	74
GRADY	24,808	75	62.6	-0.8	89
MITCHELL	22,459	82	44.5	-4.4	130

Population Change: 1930-2010



Primary data source: U.S. Census Bureau, Decennial Censuses

Population Change: 2010-2016



Components of Population Change

Natural Increase & Net Migration*

Area	4/1/2010- 6/30/2016 Numerical Change*	4/1/2010- 6/30/2016 # Natural Increase (Births-Deaths)	4/1/2010- 6/30/2016 # Net Migration	7/1/2015- 6/30/2016 1-yr Natural Increase Rate	7/1/2015- 6/30/2016 1-yr Net Migration Rate
THOMAS	529	546	-37	1.9	2.4
BROOKS	-635	74	-737	-1.5	0.8
COLQUITT	211	1,421	-1,202	3.7	-4.9
GRADY	-204	639	-842	2.7	-14.8
MITCHELL	-1,039	251	-1,374	0.3	-2.9
Avg. County	3,910	2,192	1,656	1.5	0.7
GEORGIA	621,691	348,541	263,358	4.8	5.9

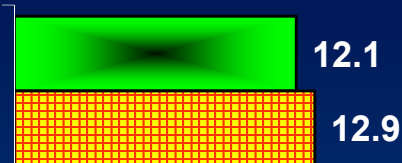
Primary data source:
U. S. Census Bureau (4/17)

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

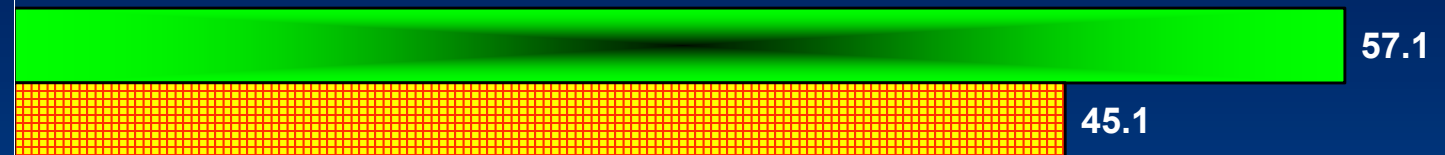
Selected Vital Statistics

2015 Rates

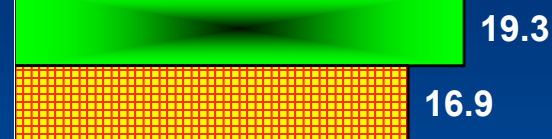
Total births per 1,000 pop



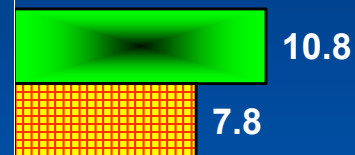
Unwed per 100 total births



Teen pregnancy per 1,000 females age 10-19



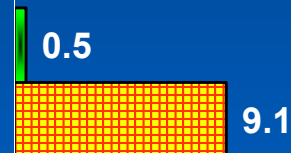
Deaths per 1,000 pop



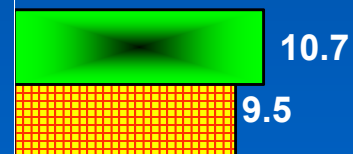
Thomas Co.

Georgia

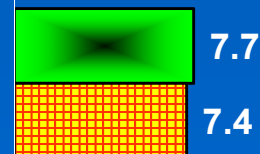
**ITOP per 1,000 females age 10-55



Low birth weight per 100 births



Infant deaths per 1,000 births



10-yr. rates 2006-2015

2015 Thomas Co. Natality Data
 546 total births, 312 unwed births
 2 induced terminations
 56 teen pregnancies
 48 low birth weight babies

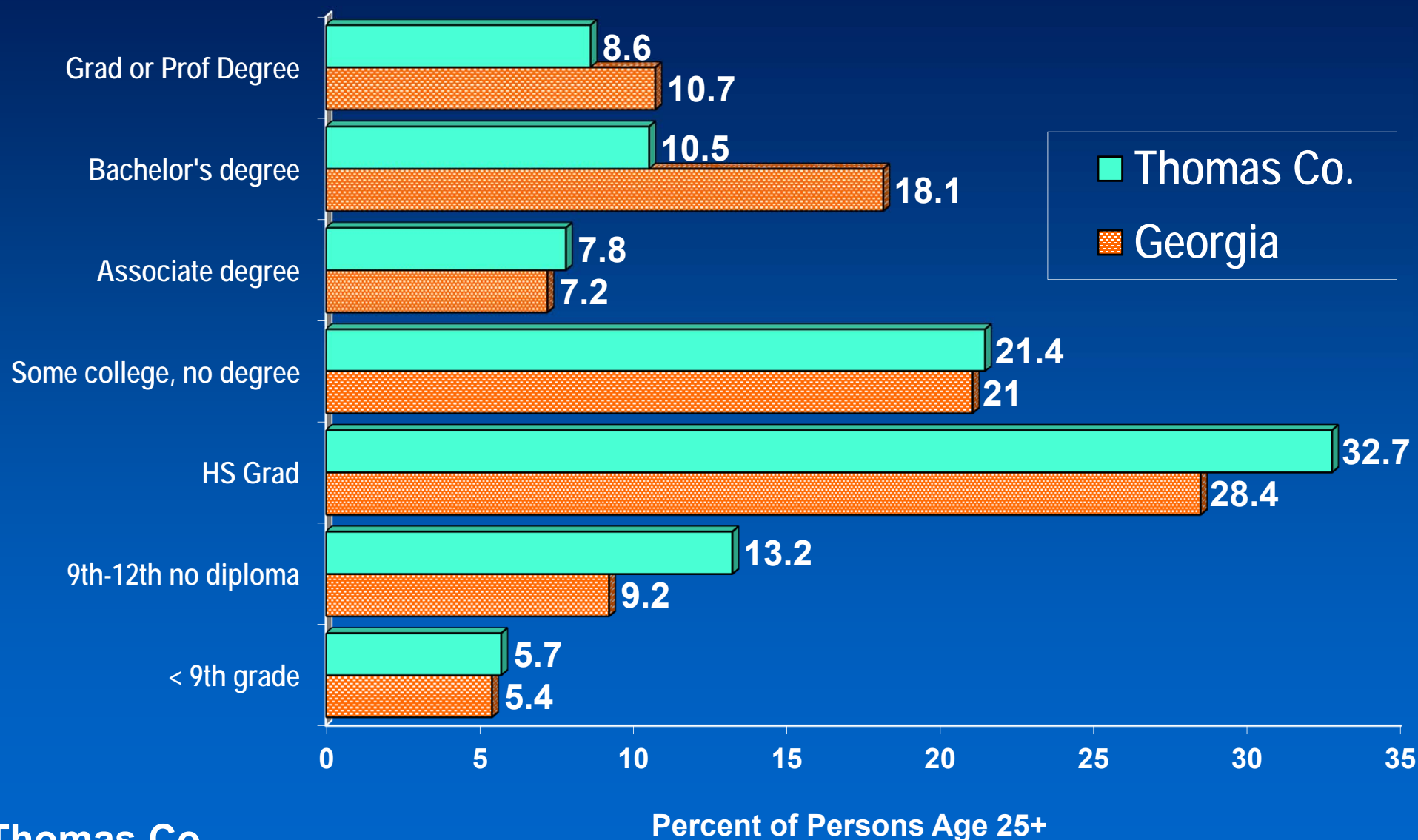
2015 Thomas Co. Mortality Data
 488 total deaths
 6 infant deaths

Primary data source: GA Dept. Public Health, OASIS

**ITOP—Induced Terminations of Pregnancy

Highest Level of Educational Attainment: 2011-2015

5 Yr. Avg. – American Community Survey



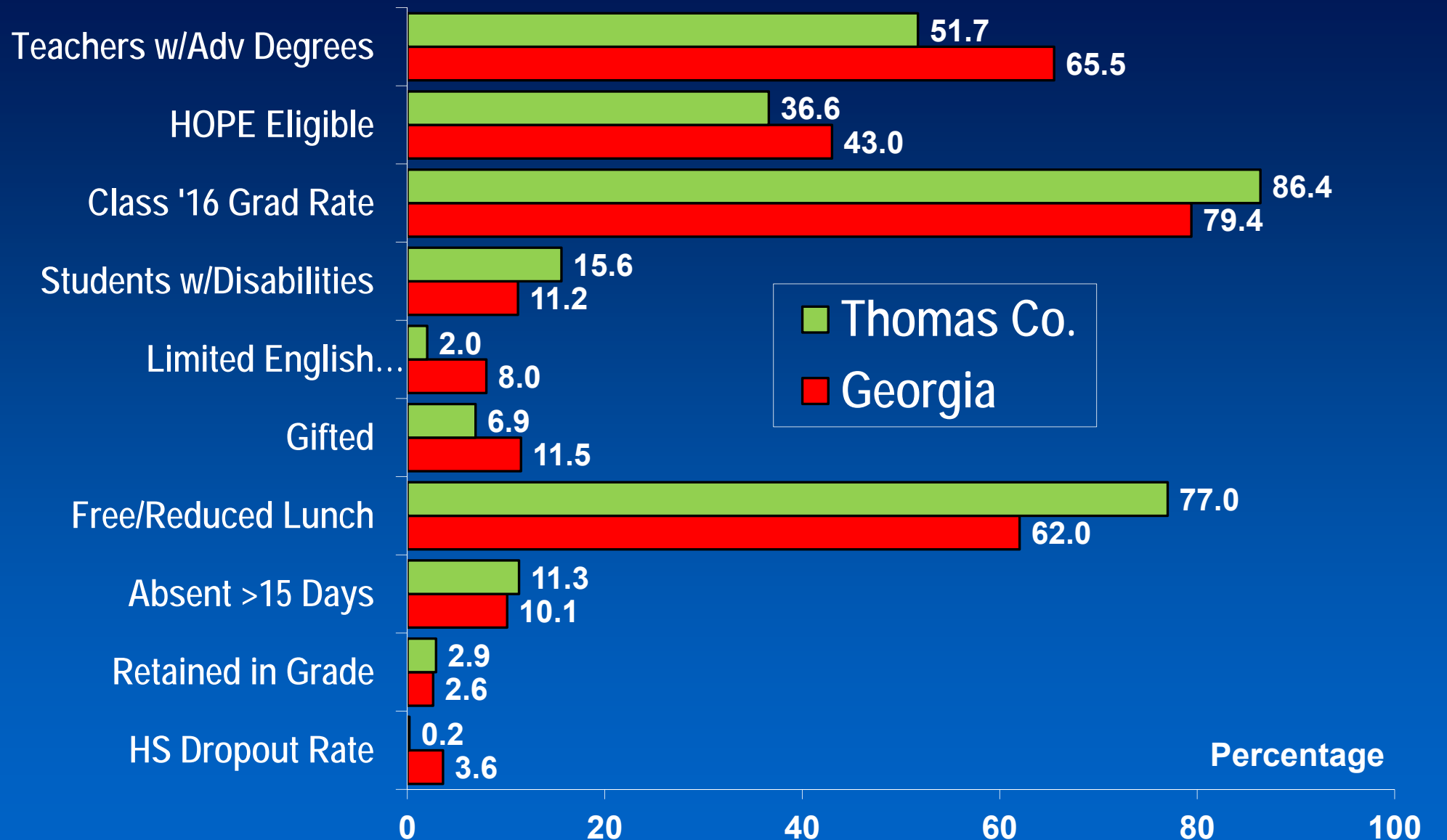
Thomas Co.

Not completing HS = 18.9%

With a bachelor's + degree = 19.2%

Primary data source: U.S. Census Bureau

Selected County Public School Statistics School Year 2015-16



Thomas Co.

FTE K12 enrollment = 5,467

HS dropouts = too few students to disclose

General Fund Expenditures per FTE = \$7,811

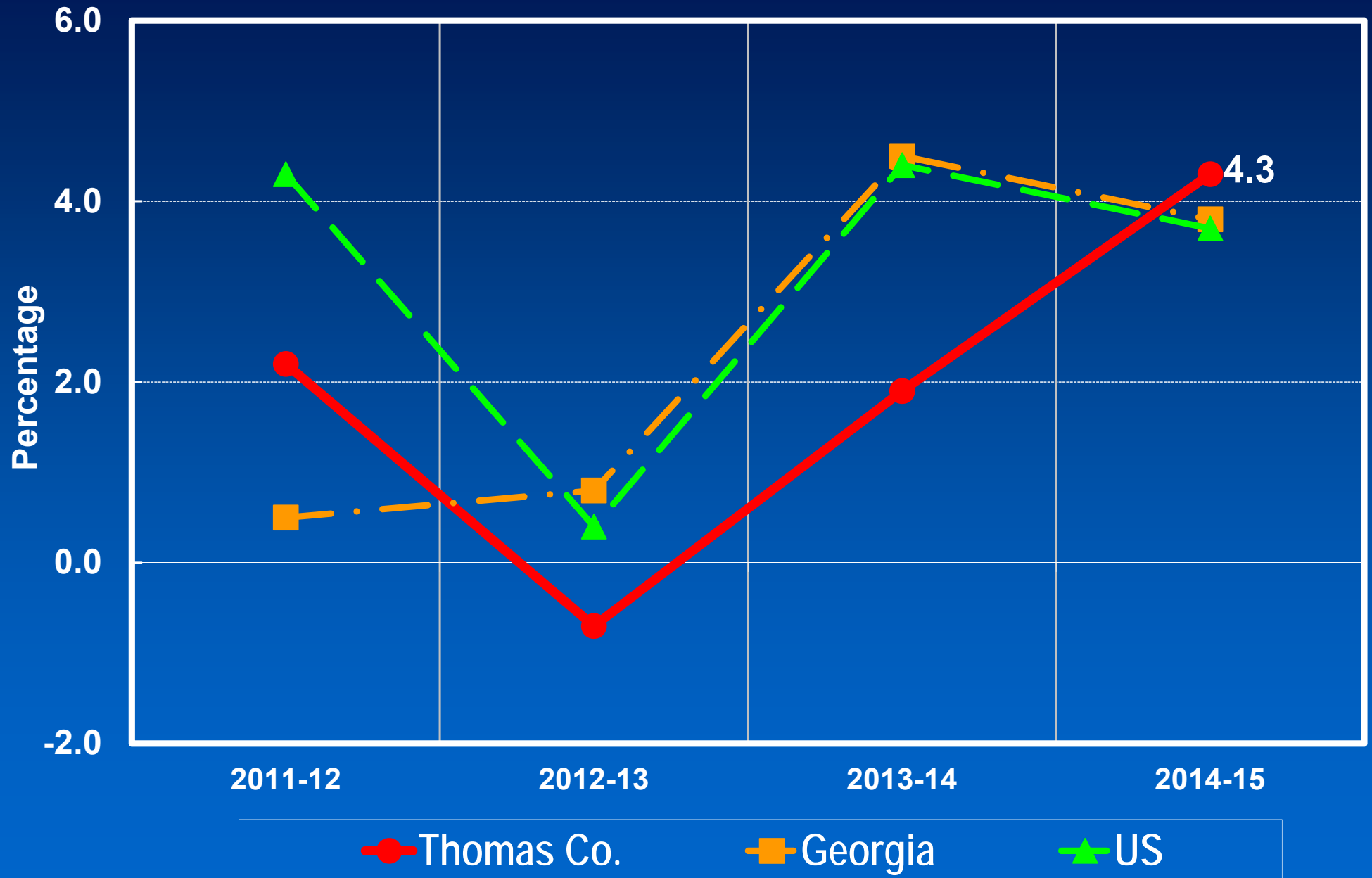
Primary data source:
Governor's Office of Student Achievement

Per Capita Income: 2015

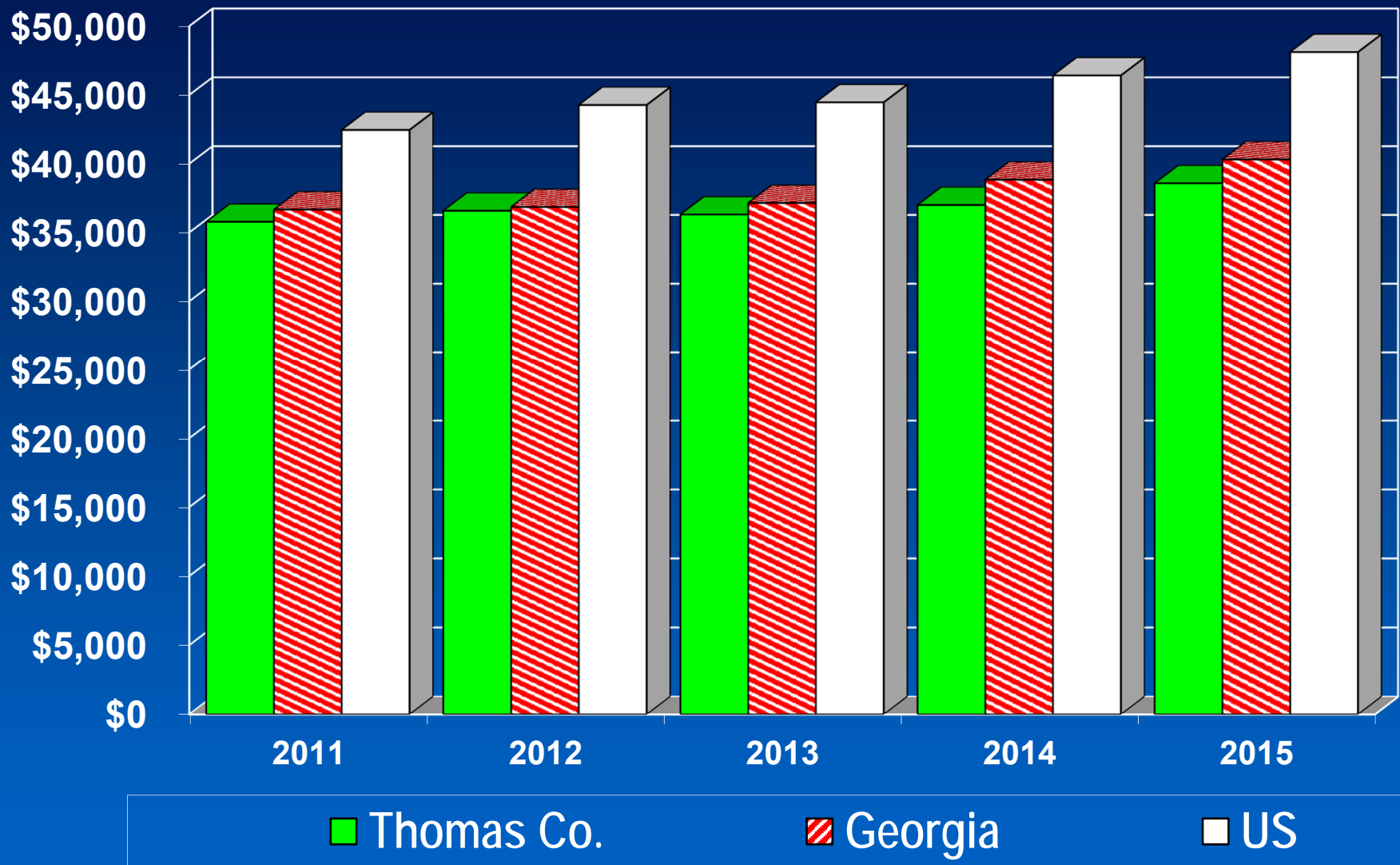
County	PCI	Rank of PCI	% PCI of GA Total	% Change in PCI 2011-2015
THOMAS	\$38,574	20	95.7	7.8
BROOKS	\$32,246	68	80.0	4.1
COLQUITT	\$29,603	104	73.4	5.8
GRADY	\$30,885	90	76.6	5.0
MITCHELL	\$32,983	56	81.8	18.4
GA Avg. Co.	\$32,346	--	80.3	10.2

Per Capita Income: 2011-2015

Percentage Change



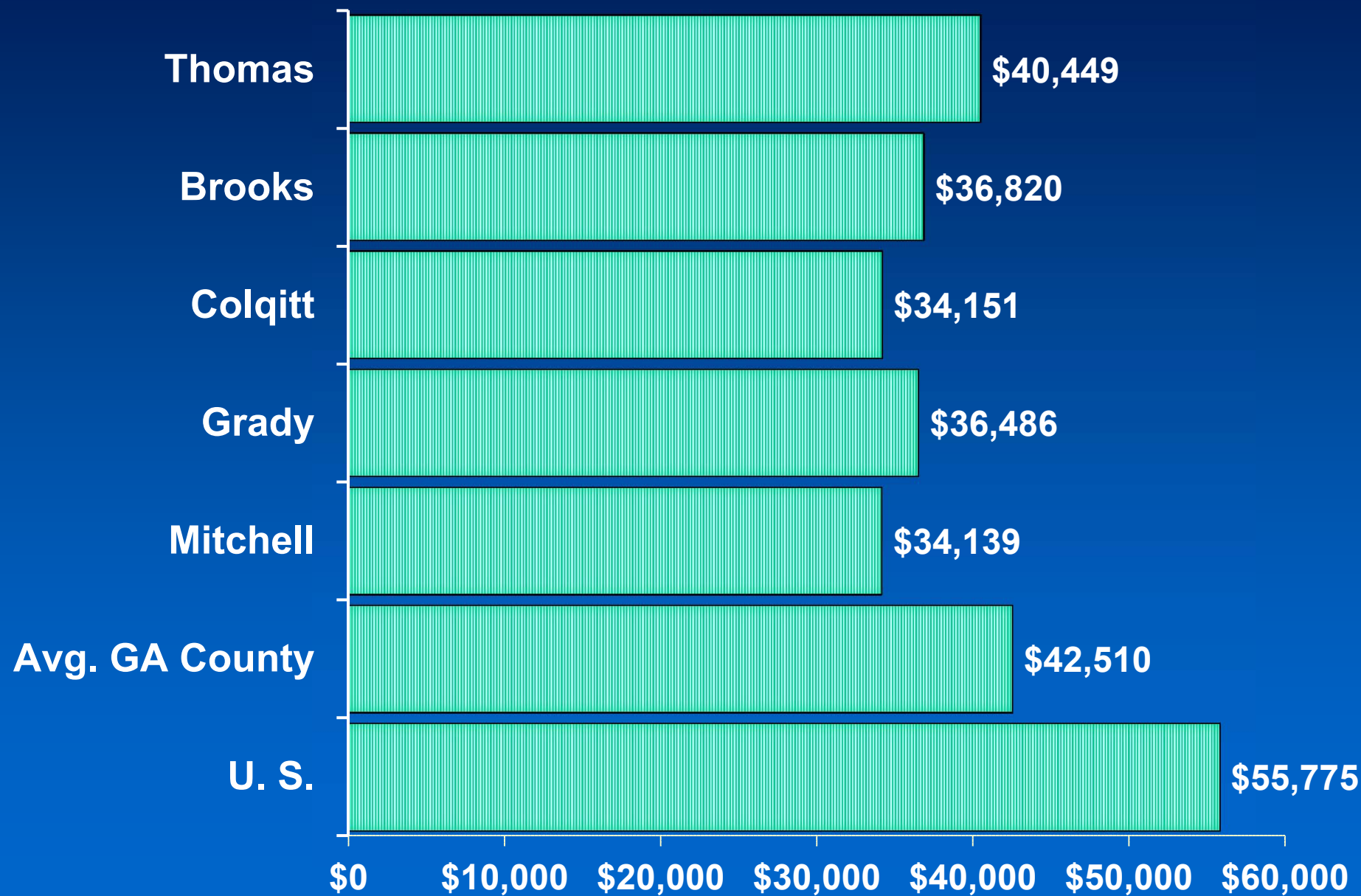
Per Capita Income: 2011-2015



2015 PCI
Thomas Co. = \$38,574

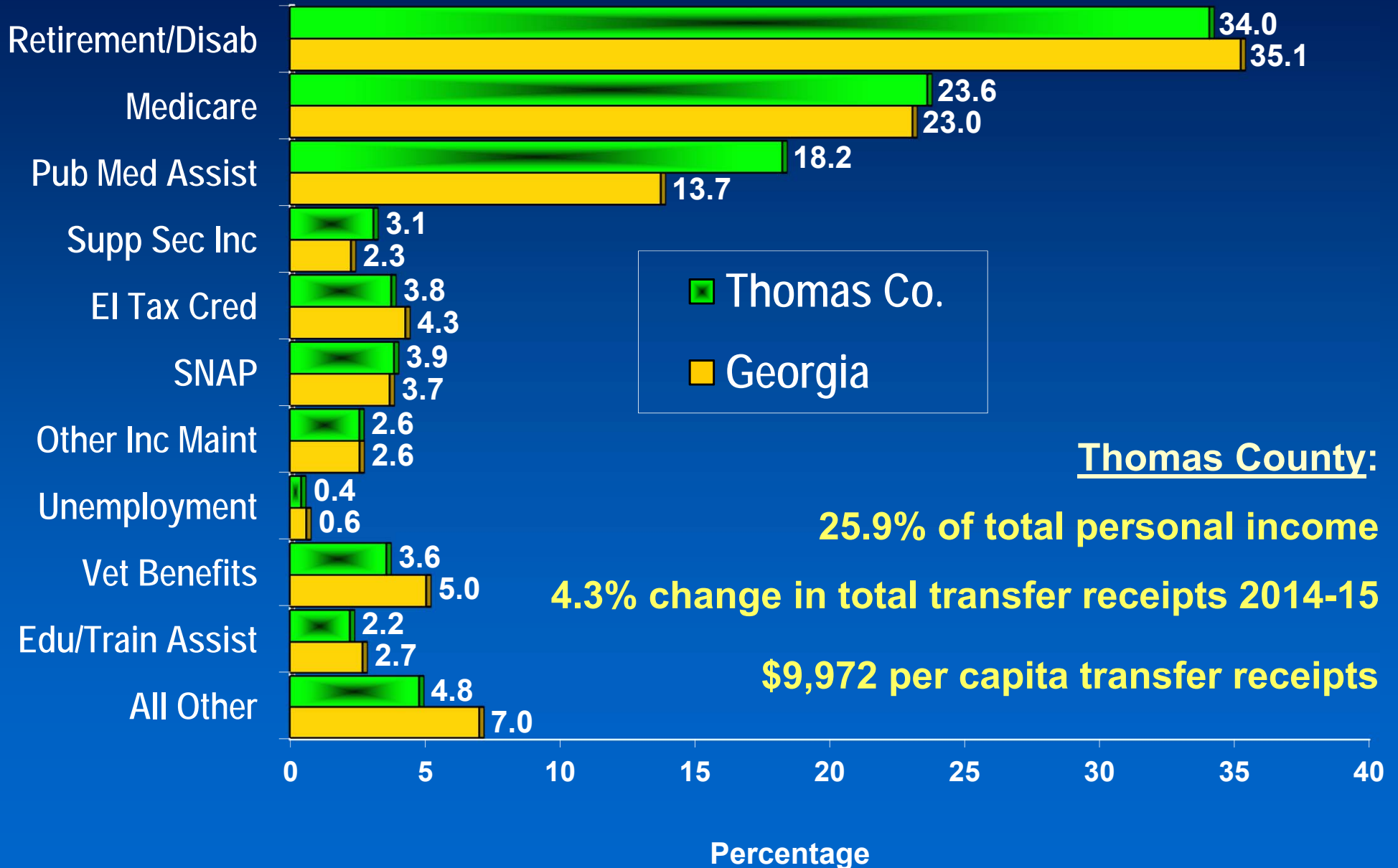
Georgia = \$40,306
US = \$48,112

Median Household Income 2015 Model-Based Estimates

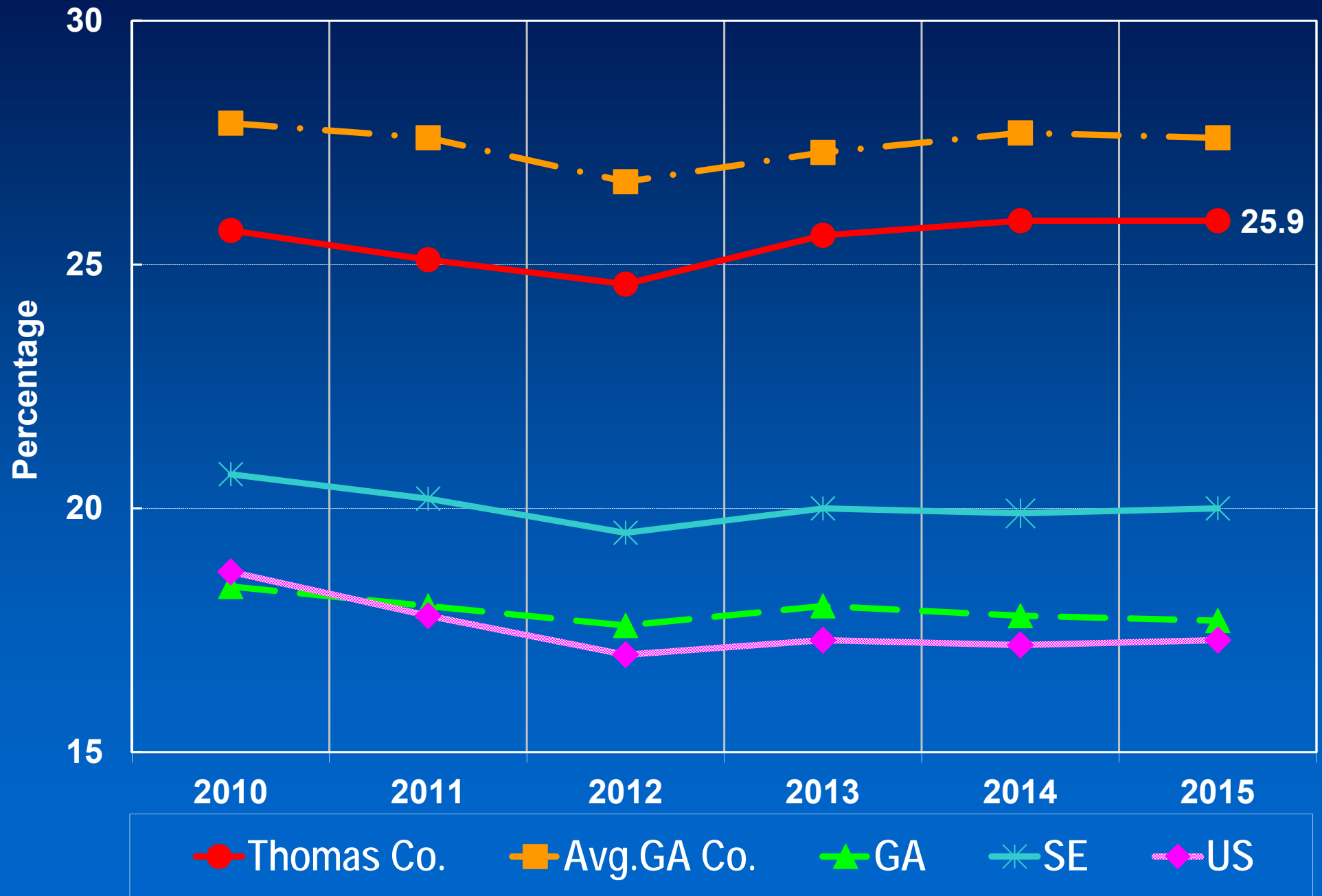


Personal Current Transfer Receipts: 2015

Thomas Co. Total = \$449,385,000



Transfer Receipts as a Percentage of Total Personal Income 2010-2015



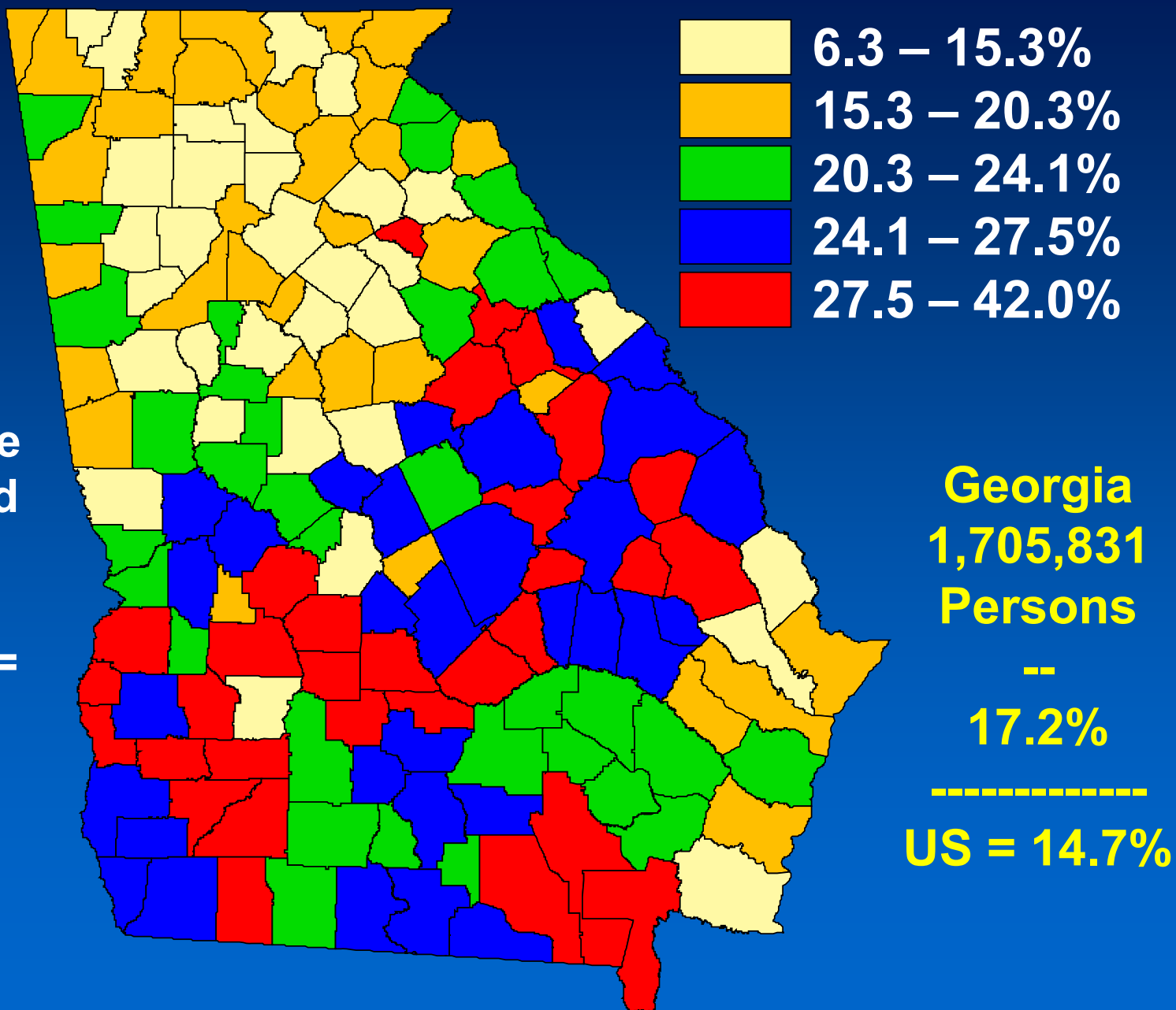
Primary data source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis (1/17)

Persons Living Below Poverty Level 2015 Model-Based Estimates

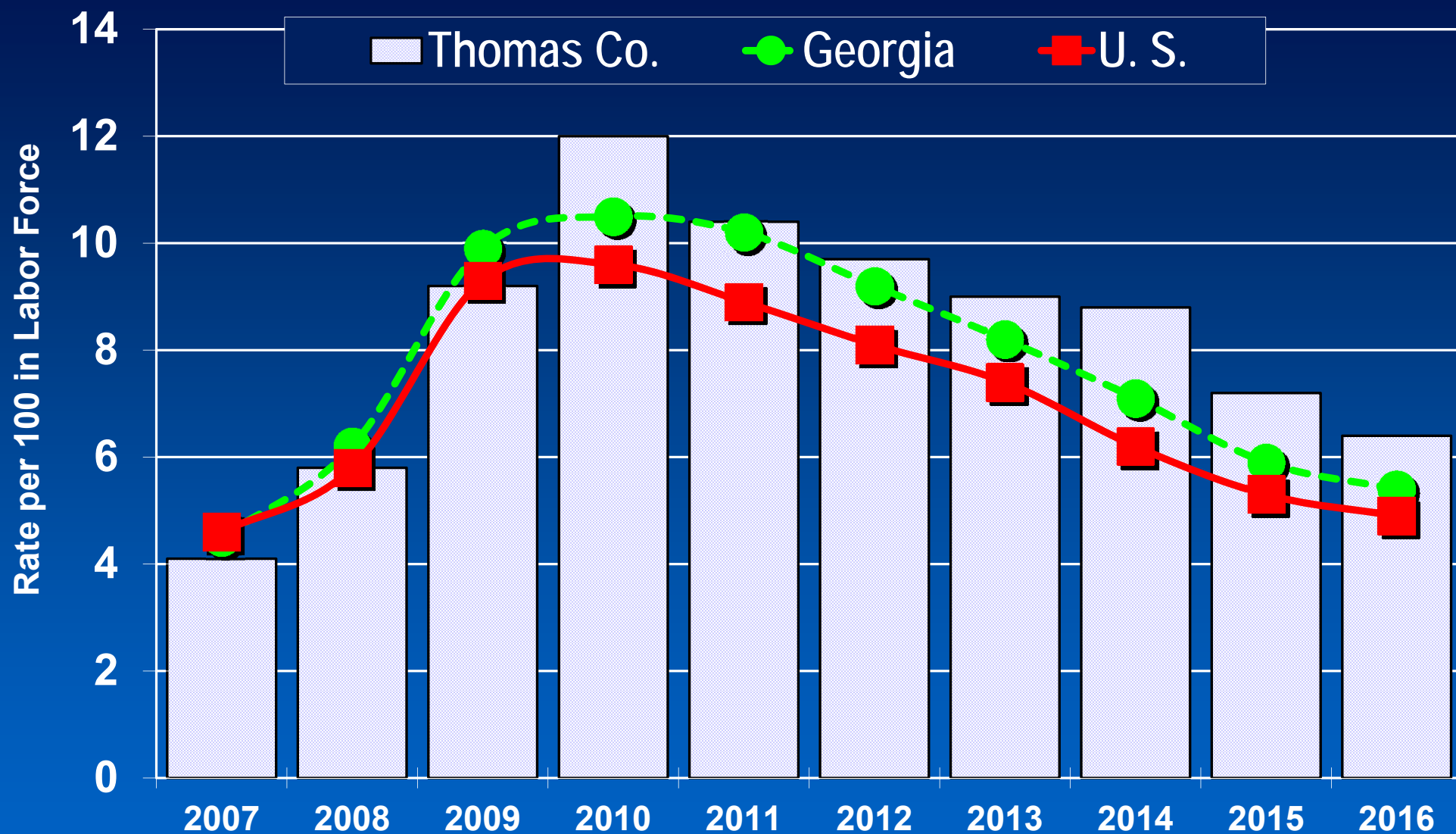
County	# of Persons	% of all Persons	Rank of %
THOMAS	9,608	21.7	78
BROOKS	3,930	25.4	106
COLQUITT	10,851	24.1	96
GRADY	7,309	29.3	139
MITCHELL	5,698	28.0	131
GA Avg. Co.	10,729	21.9	--

Persons Living Below the Poverty Level 2015 Model-Based Estimates

Weighted average
poverty threshold
for a family
household of 4
persons in 2015 =
\$24,257



Civilian Labor Force Average Annual Unemployment Rates



2016 Rates Thomas Co. = 6.4 GA = 5.4 US = 4.9
Avg. GA County = 6.1

Establishments, Employment & Wages: 2016 Averages

Thomas County	Avg. # Establishments	Avg. Monthly Employment	Avg. Wage Weekly
TOTAL GOODS PRODUCING	273	4,133	\$1,055
Ag, forestry, fishing	60	367	\$590
Construction	133	459	\$727
Manufacturing	78	3,011	\$1,166
TOTAL SERVICE PROVIDING	1,130	13,684	\$704
Wholesale trade	80	901	\$1,060
Retail trade	242	2,263	\$490
Transp/Warehousing	34	184	\$801
Finance/Insurance	92	670	\$1,021
Professional/Sci/Tech	101	419	\$1,033
Admin/Suppt/WasteMgmt/Remediation	67	2,834	\$561
Health care/Soc Svcs	146	3,476	\$1,009
Accommodations/Food Svc	106	1,624	\$269
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	72	3,227	\$720
TOTAL ALL INDUSTRIES	1,518	21,094	\$775

Primary data source: GA Dept. of Labor (7/17)

Employment Comparisons by Industry Group: 2016

■ Thomas Co.

■ Avg. GA County

■ Georgia

Goods Producing

19.6

22.3

13.9

Service Providing

64.9

52.4

70.6

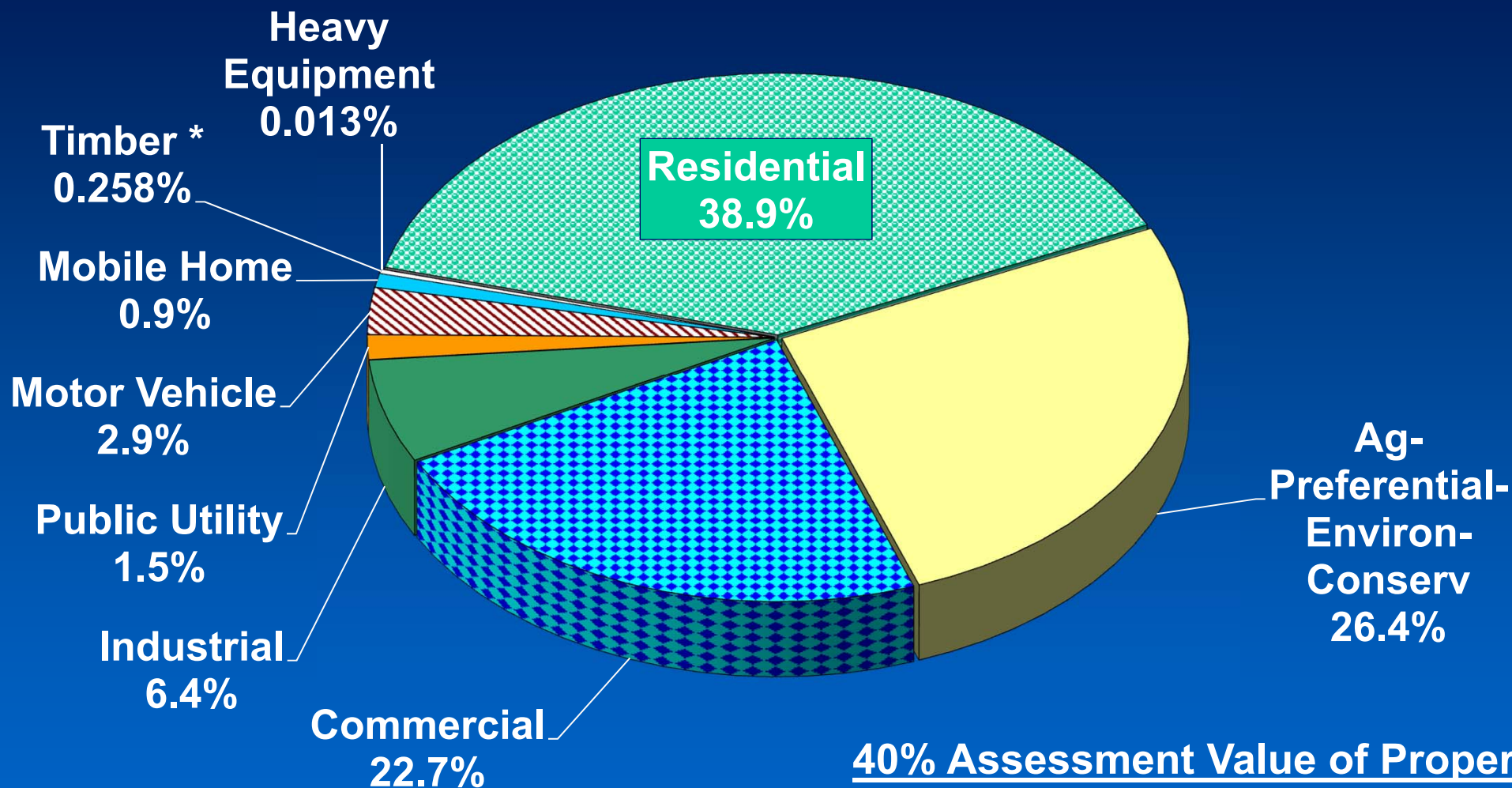
Government

15.3

24.5

15.1

Components of 2016 Property Tax Gross Digest Thomas County



40% Assessment Value of Property

Gross Digest = \$1,762,922,017

Homestead & Property Exemptions = \$278,836,695

Net M&O Digest = \$1,484,085,322

Value of exempt property = \$279,379,824

* Timber taxed at 100% based on previous year sales

Thomas Co. Millage Rates

Tax Districts with 2016 Millage Rates	
Barwick	12.464
Boston	13.023
Coolidge	12.261
Co Incorporated	9.21
Co Unincorporated	7.845
CoWide Emerg Svcs	1.77
Fire Dist 1	3.195
Fire Dist 2	3.182
Fire Dist 3	2.364
Pavo	12.400
Thomasville Schools	17.869
Meigs	15.000
Ochlocknee	8.537
Pavo	12.400
Thomas Co. Schools	14.524
Thomasville	0

Taxes Levied & Sales Tax Rates

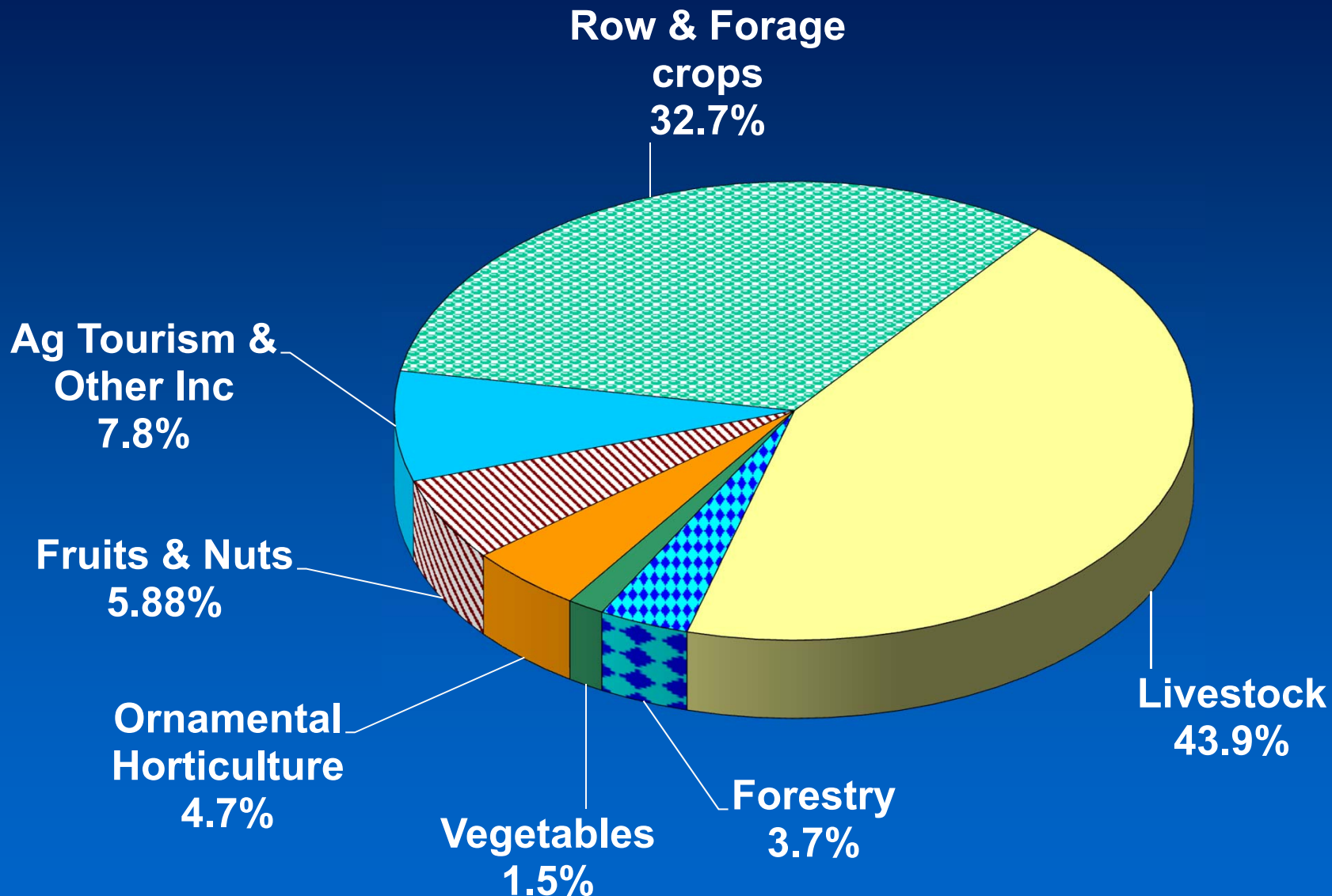
County	2016 Taxes Levied*	Sales Tax Rate as of 10/1/2017	LOST Type* as of 10/2017
THOMAS	\$41,996,473	7	LSE
BROOKS	\$11,537,396	7	LSE
COLQUITT	\$28,780,693	7	LSE
GRADY	\$15,366,246	7	LSE
MITCHELL	\$21,811,612	7	LSE

Taxes levied, but not necessarily collected. L=Local Option, S=Special Purpose, E=Educational

Primary data source: GA Dept. of Revenue

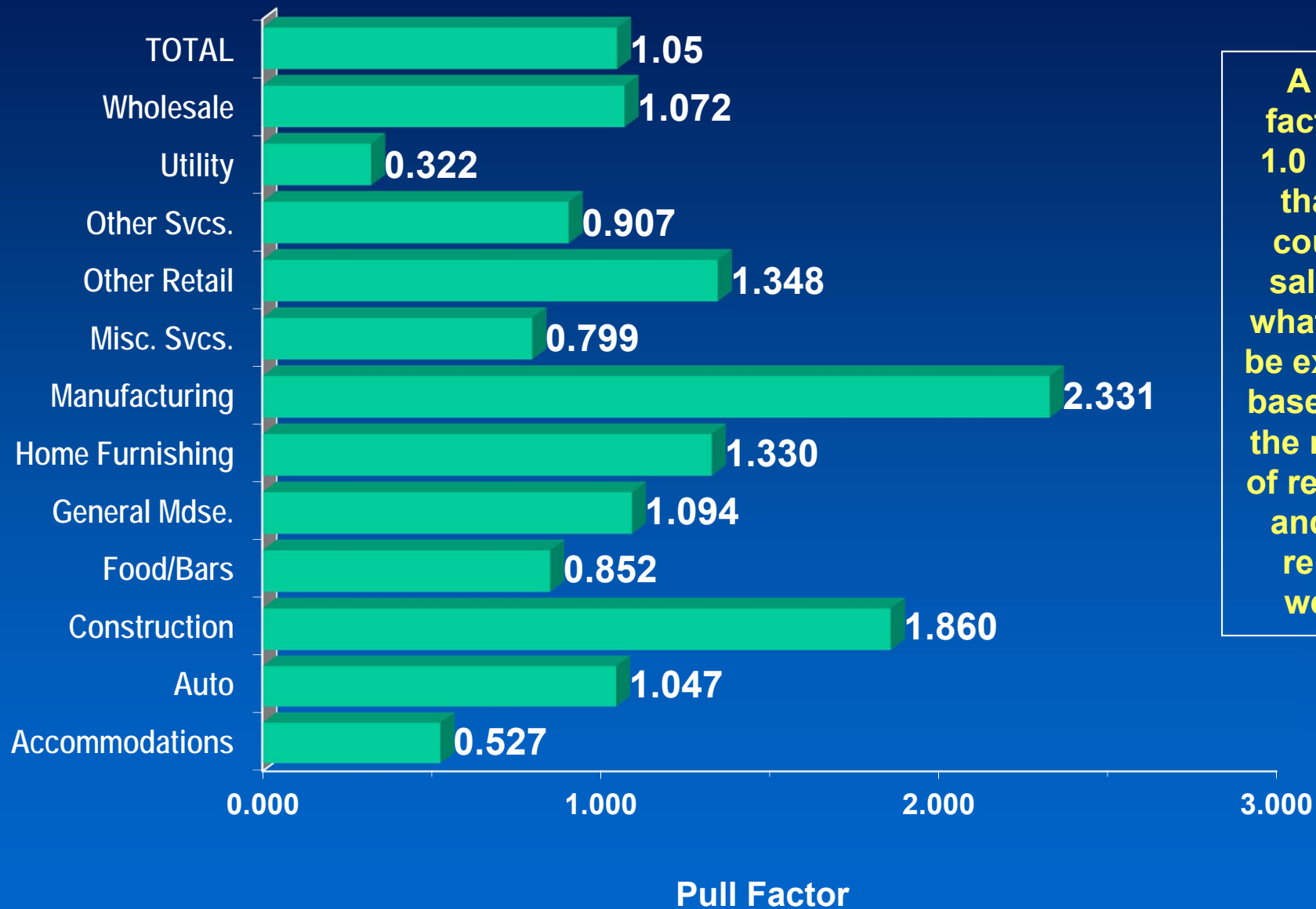
2015 Farm Gate Value by Commodity Group

Thomas Co. Total Value = \$97,792,152



1% Sales & Use Tax Distributions: 2016

Thomas Co. Total = \$7,636,741

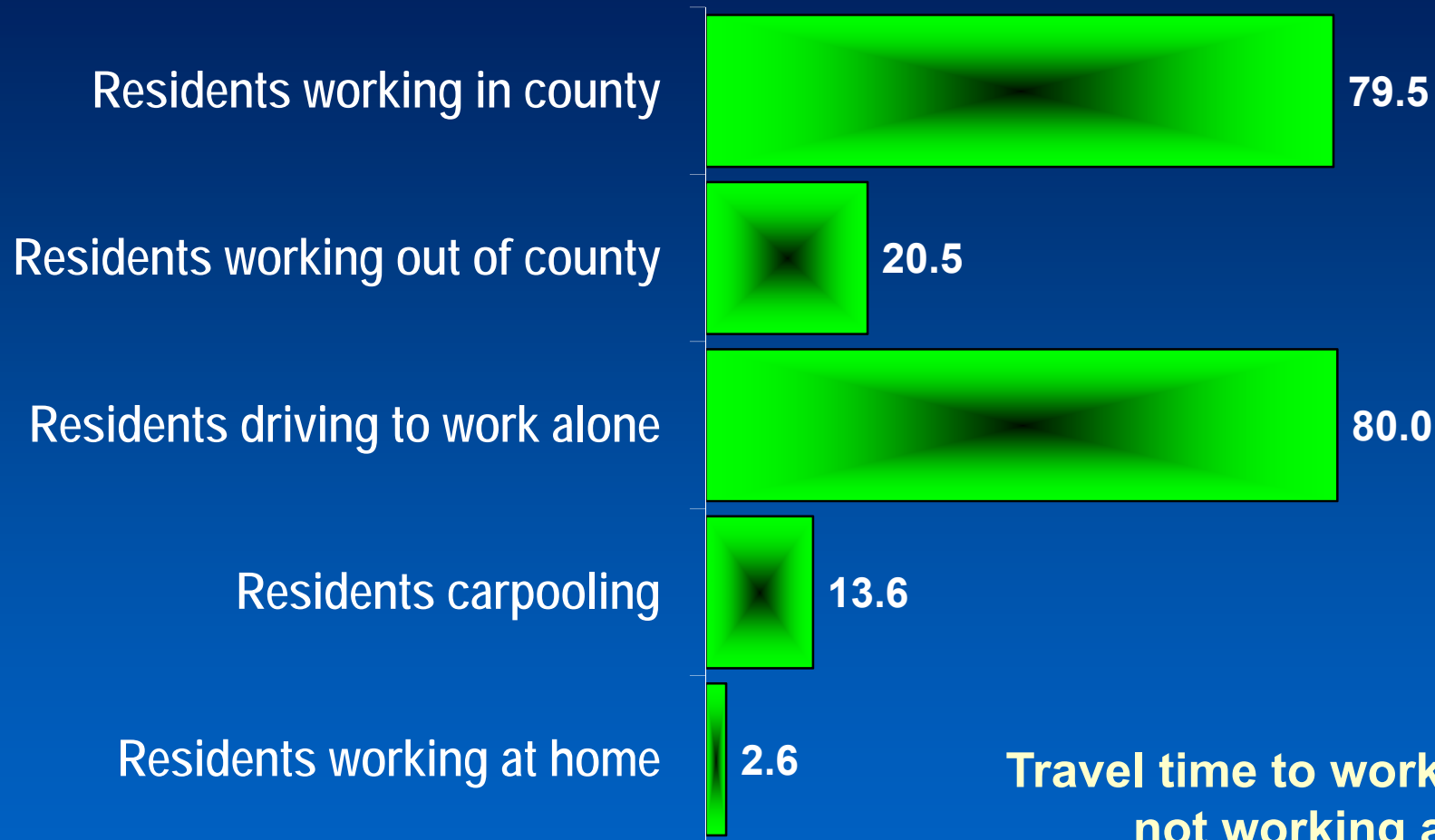


A “pull factor” of 1.0 means that the county’s sales are what would be expected based upon the number of residents and their relative wealth.

Commuting to Work: 2011-2015

5 Yr. Average – American Community Survey

Percentage of:



Travel time to work for residents
not working at home:

< 10 min. = 18.1%

60+ min. = 6.2%

Thomas Co.
Resident workers 16+ = 16,829

**Mean travel time to work
= 20.4 minutes**

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

***Special Area Report
17-15 October 2017***

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