

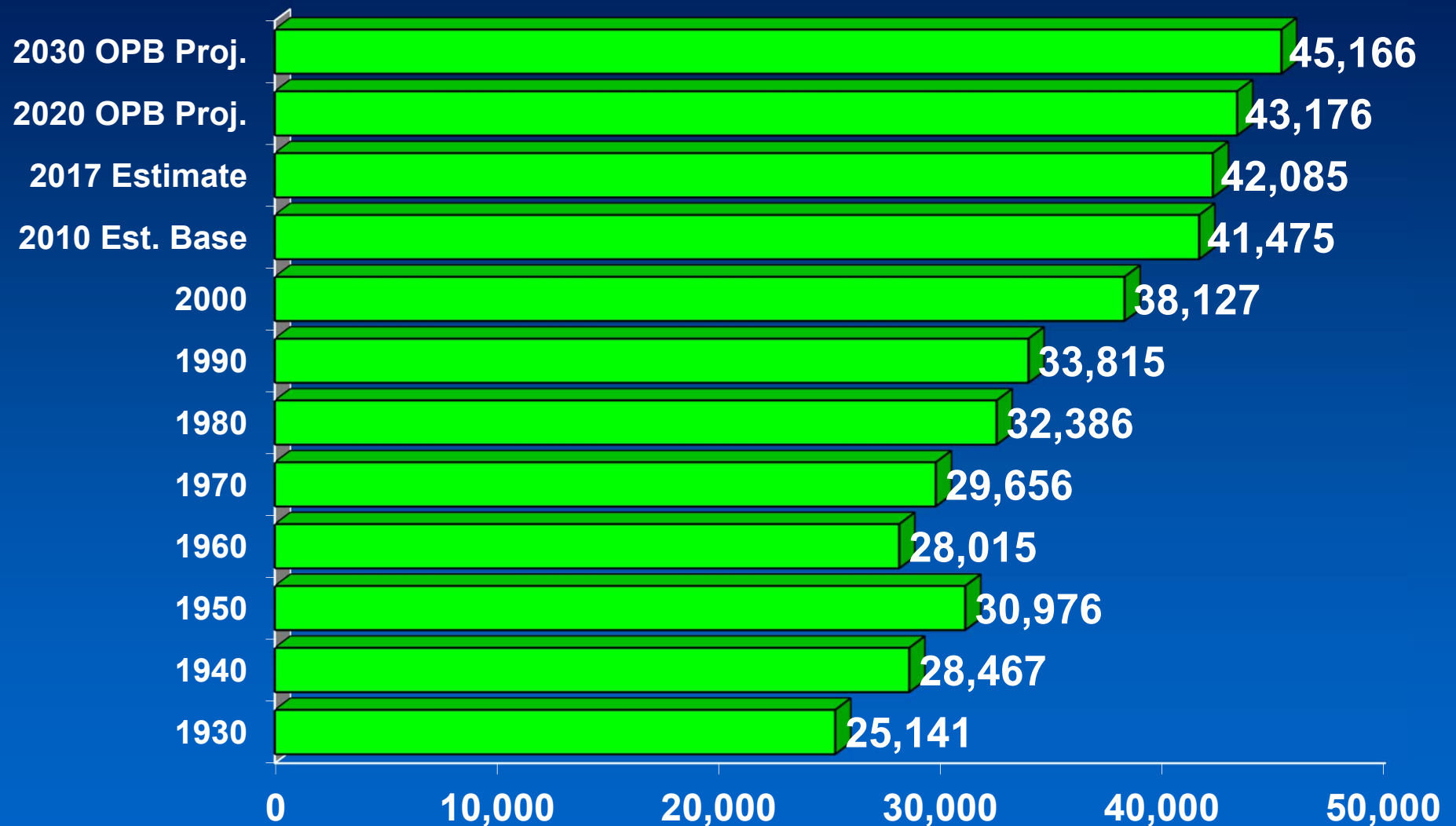
Polk County Community Profile



**96th in order of
county creation
December 20, 1851**

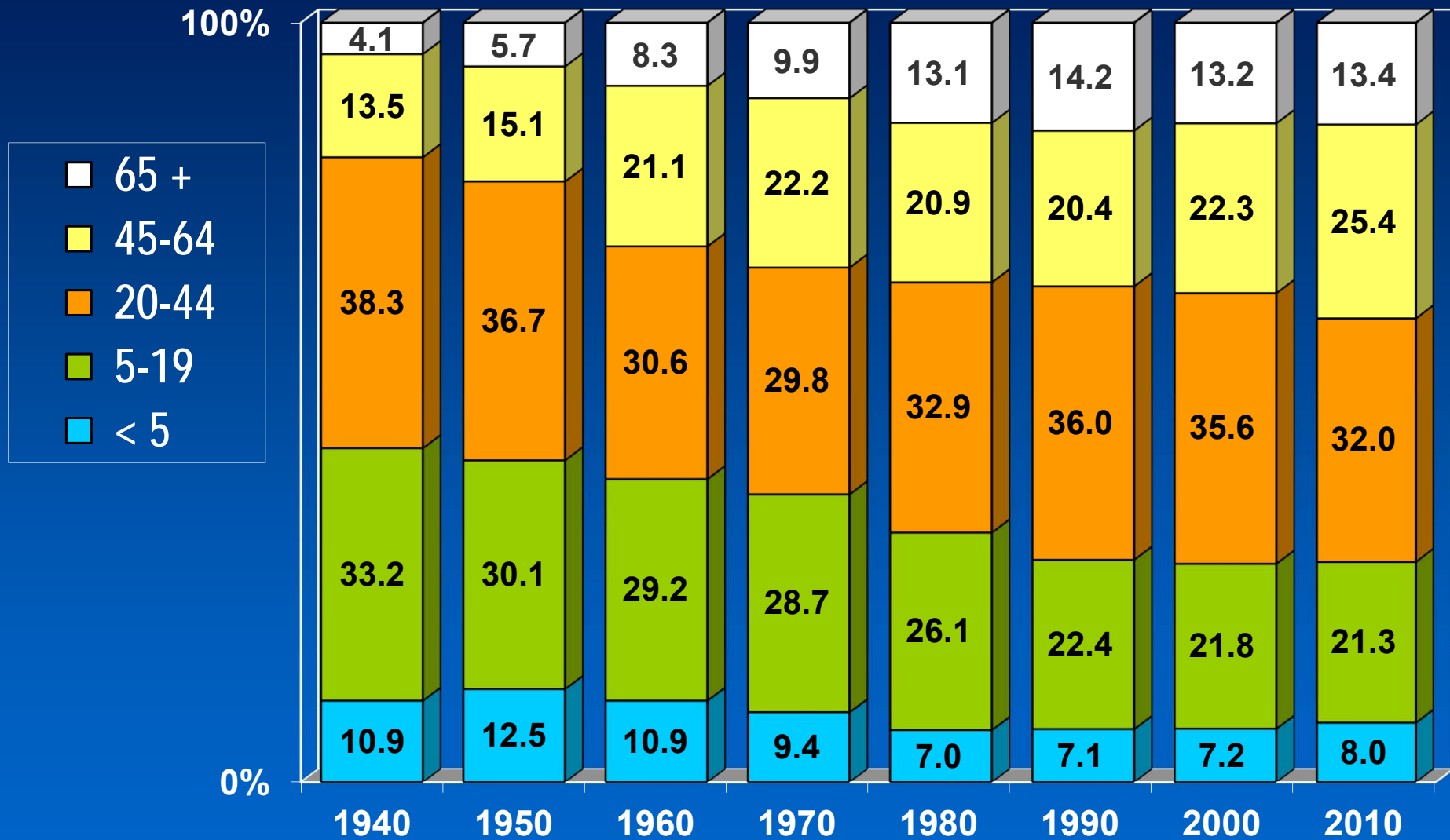
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Polk County Total Population



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

Population Composition by Age Polk County



2017 Median Age

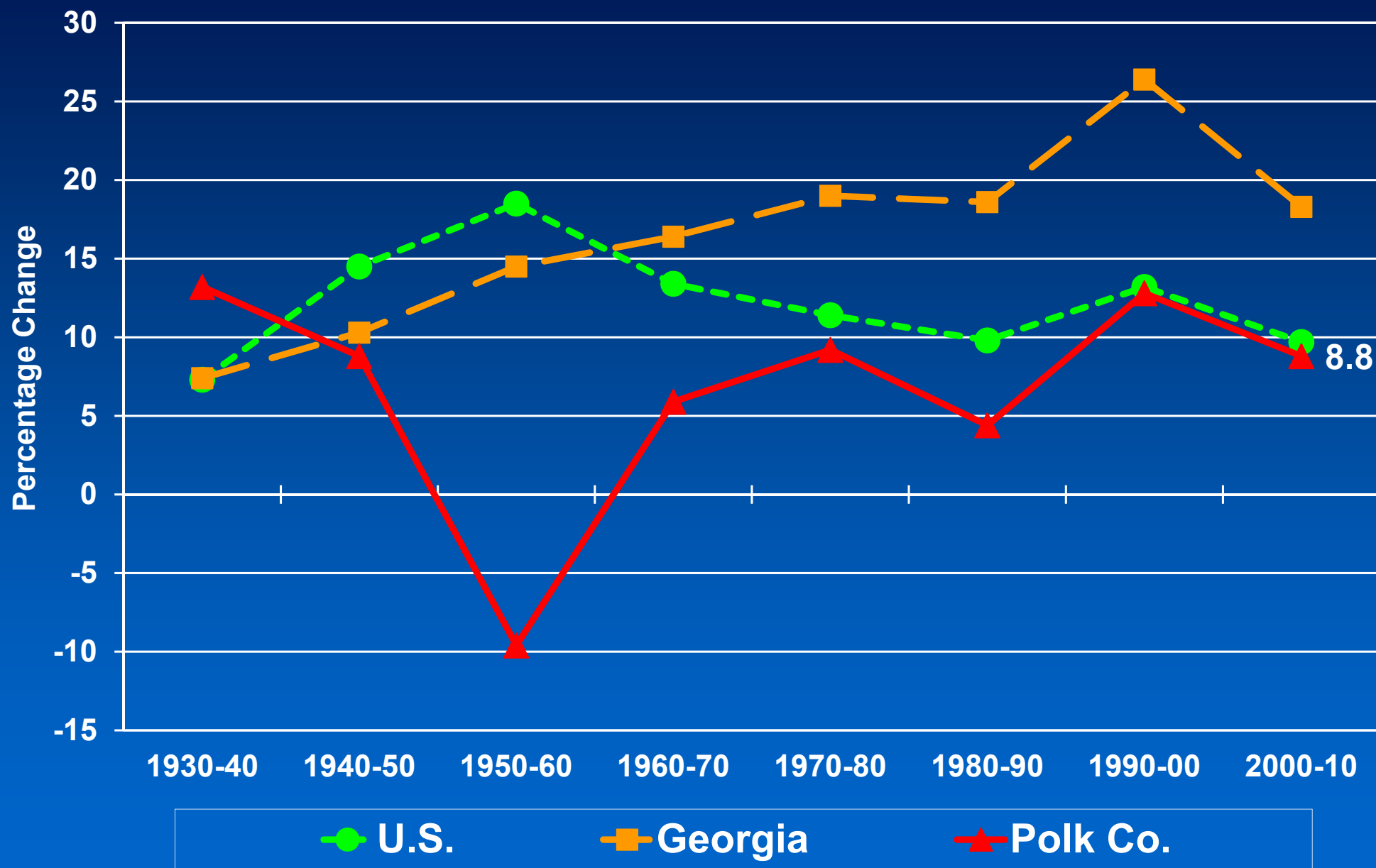
Polk Co. = 36.9 yrs.

GA = 36.7 yrs.

2017 County Population Comparisons

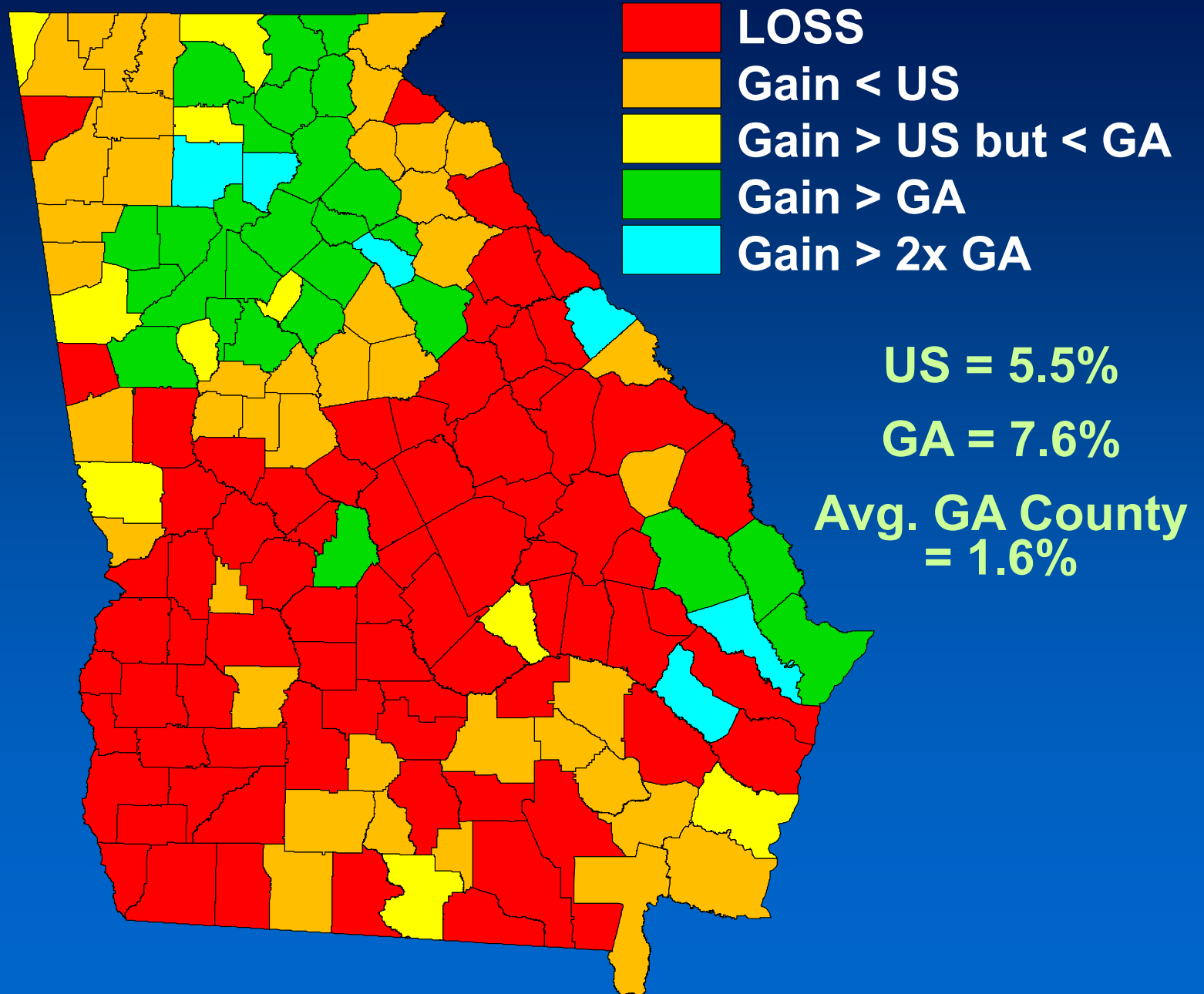
County	Total	Total Rank	Density per sq.mi. land area	% Chg. 2010-17	Rank of % Chg.
POLK	42,085	48	135.6	1.5	72
BARTOW	105,054	24	228.6	4.9	44
FLOYD	97,613	26	191.4	1.3	73
HARALSON	29,256	63	103.7	1.7	68
PAULDING	159,445	13	510.7	12.0	12

Population Change: 1930-2010



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

Population Change: 2010-2017



Components of Population Change

Natural Increase & Net Migration*

Area	4/1/2010- 6/30/2017 Numerical Change*	4/1/2010- 6/30/2017 # Natural Increase (Births-Deaths)	4/1/2010- 6/30/2017 # Net Migration	7/1/2016- 6/30/2017 1-yr Natural Increase Rate	7/1/2016- 6/30/2017 1-yr Net Migration Rate
POLK	610	681	-66	1.8	6.7
BARTOW	4,931	3,293	1,678	4.1	11.4
FLOYD	1,297	1,221	123	1.4	8.8
HARALSON	480	-30	510	-0.4	15.0
PAULDING	17,062	7,511	9,542	5.1	20.7
Avg. County	4,658	2,510	2,127	1.6	4.1
GEORGIA	740,689	399,055	338,202	4.7	6.5

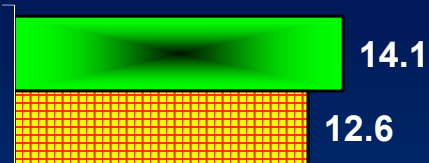
Primary data source:
U. S. Census Bureau (3/18)

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

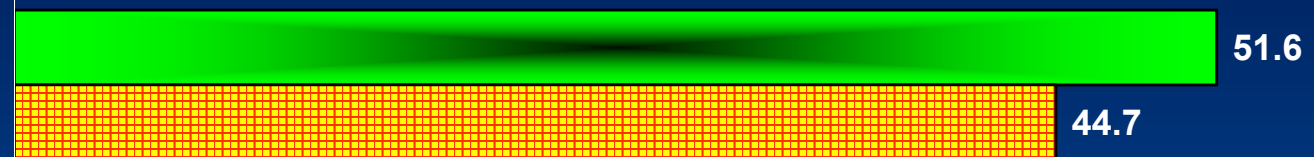
Selected Vital Statistics

2016 Rates

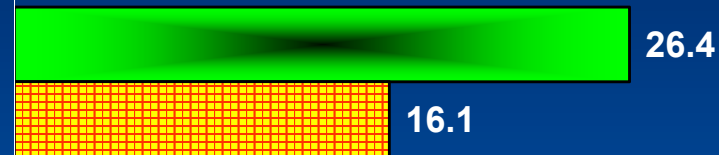
Total births per 1,000 pop



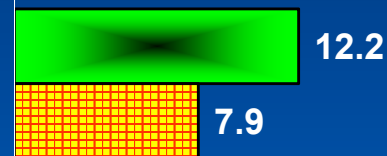
Unwed per 100 total births



Teen pregnancy per 1,000 females age 10-19



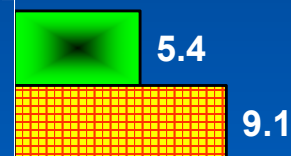
Deaths per 1,000 pop



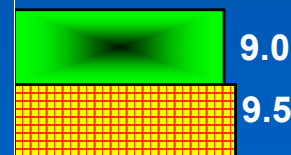
■ Polk Co.

■ Georgia

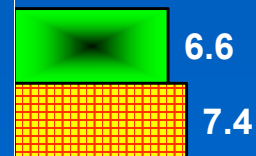
**ITOP per 1,000 females age 10-55



Low birth weight per 100 births



Infant deaths per 1,000 births



10-yr. rates 2007-2016

2016 Polk Co. Natality Data

587 total births, 303 unwed births

62 induced terminations

74 teen pregnancies

59 low birth weight babies

2016 Polk Co. Mortality Data

509 total deaths

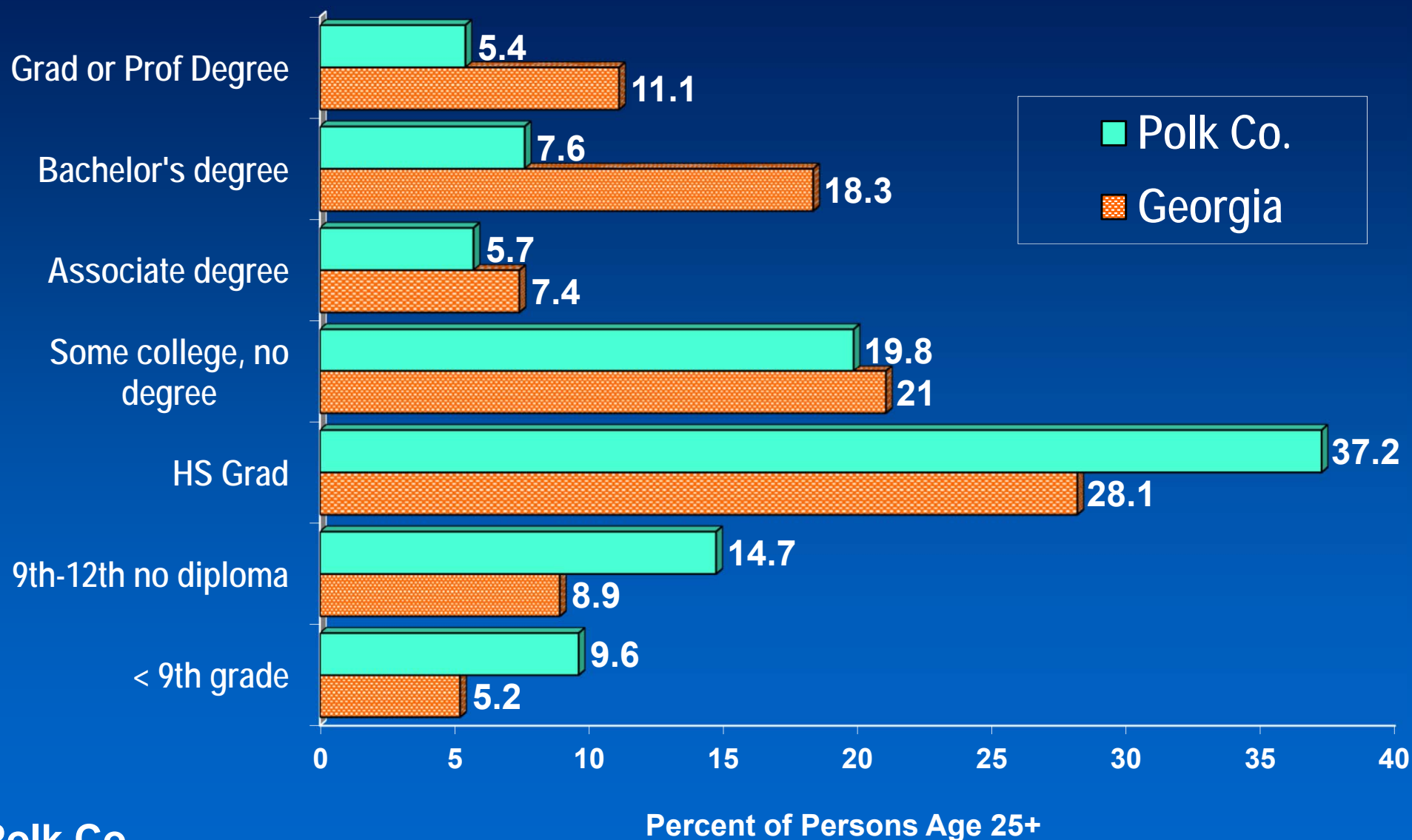
6 infant deaths

Primary data source: GA Dept. Public Health, OASIS

**ITOP—Induced Terminations of Pregnancy

Highest Level of Educational Attainment: 2012-2016

5 Yr. Avg. – American Community Survey



Polk Co.

Not completing HS = 24.3%

With a bachelor's + degree = 13.0%

Primary data source: U.S. Census Bureau

Selected Public School Statistics School Year 2016-17



Primary data source:
Governor's Office of Student Achievement

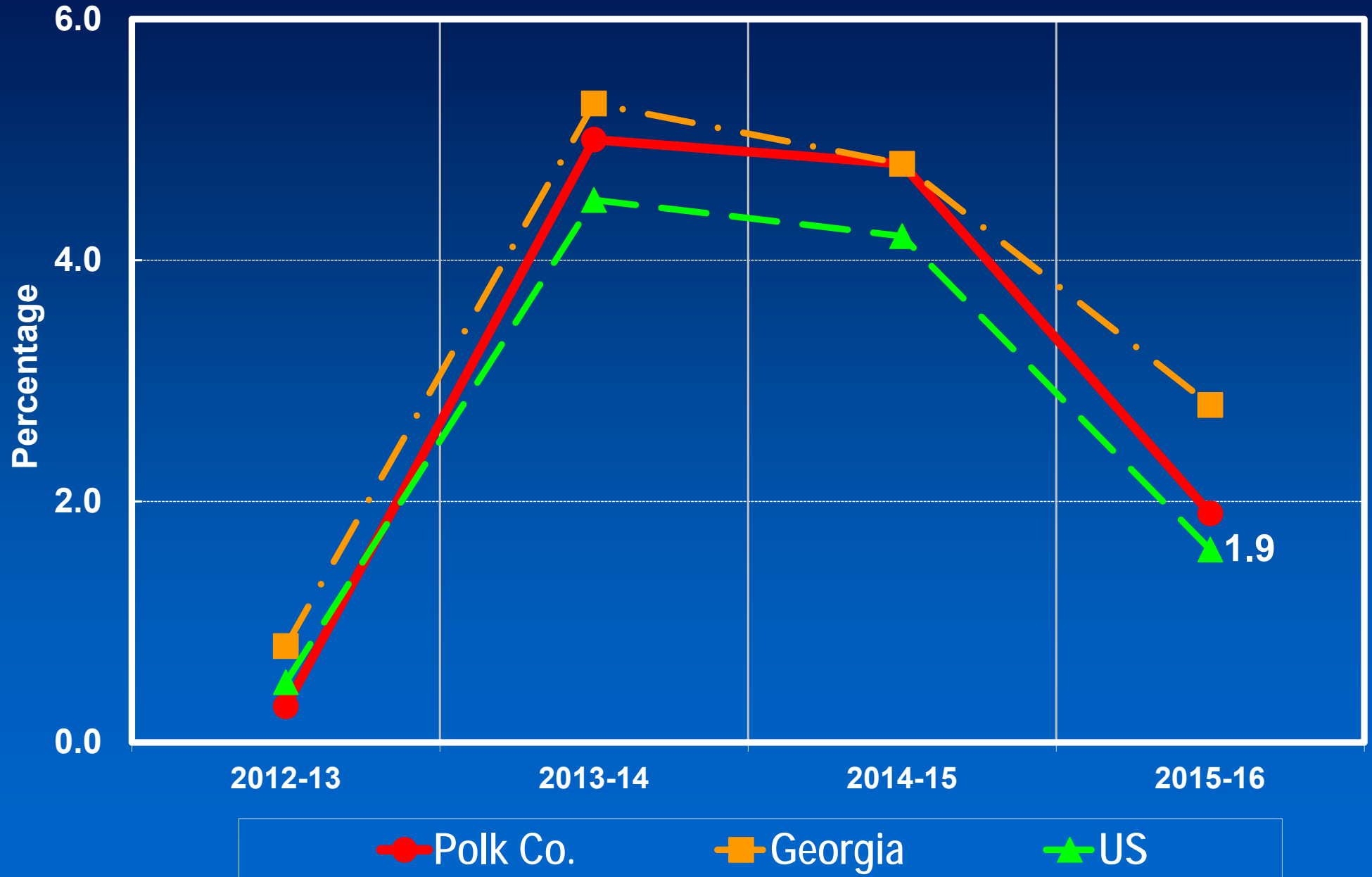
Polk Co.
FTE K12 enrollment = 7,431
HS dropouts = 105
General Fund Expenditures per FTE = \$8,047

Per Capita Income: 2016

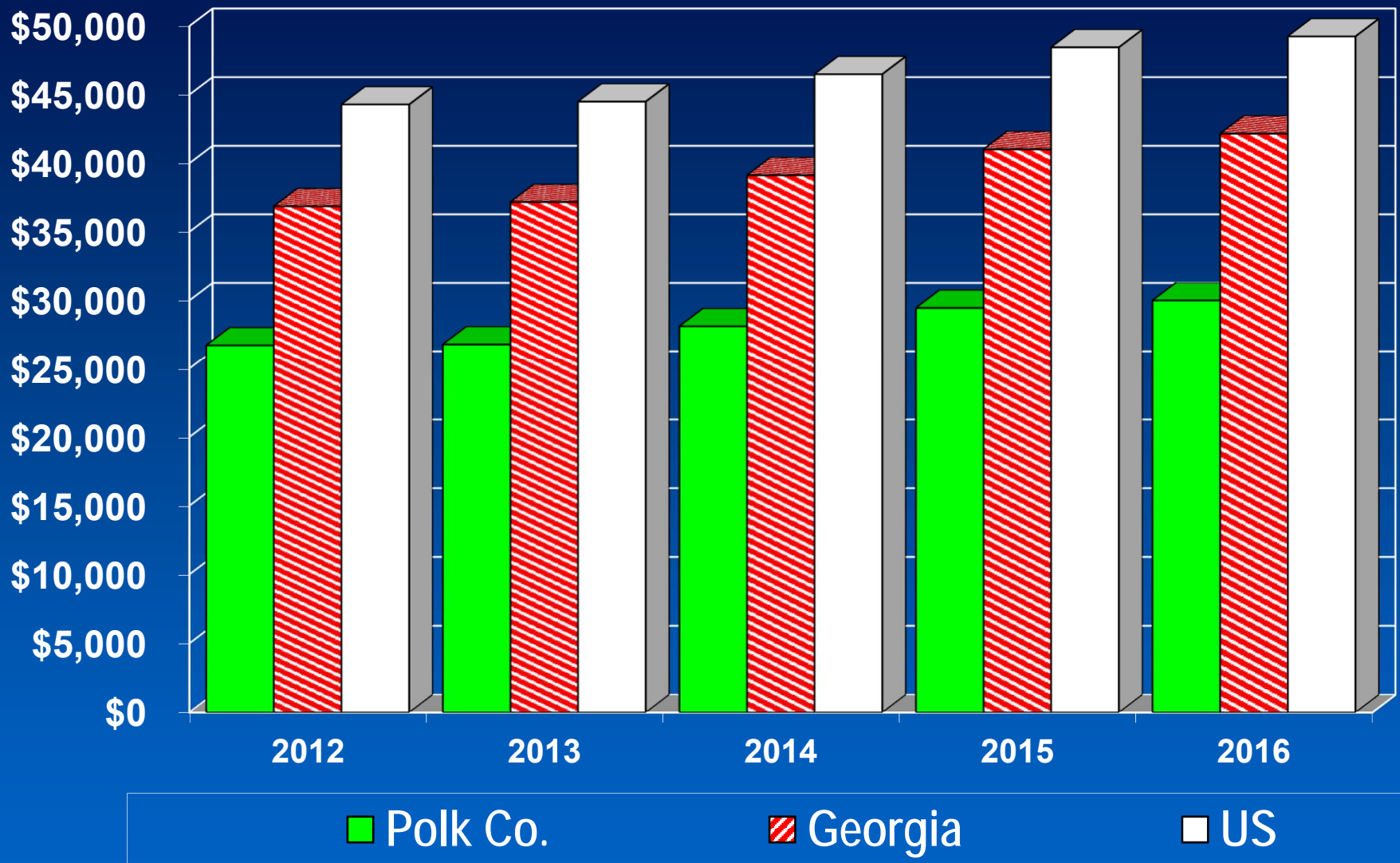
County	PCI	Rank of PCI	% PCI of GA Total	% Change in PCI 2012-2016
POLK	\$30,002	115	71.2	12.3
BARTOW	\$35,306	43	83.7	14.5
FLOYD	\$36,470	33	86.5	13.4
HARALSON	\$32,295	84	76.6	10.4
PAULDING	\$34,167	56	81.0	14.0
GA Avg. Co.	\$33,549	--	79.6	11.6

Per Capita Income: 2012-2016

Percentage Change



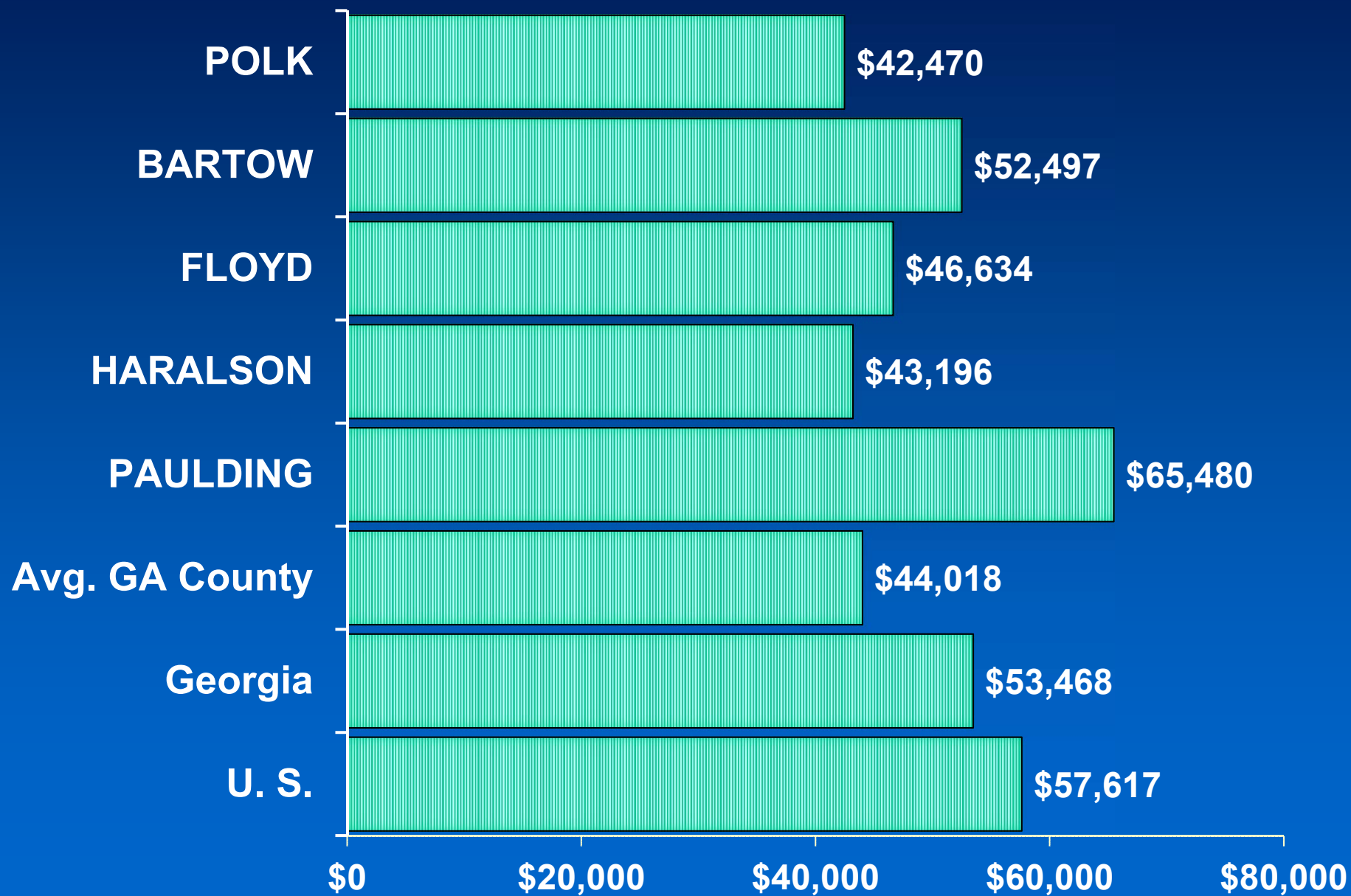
Per Capita Income: 2012-2016



2016 PCI
Polk Co. = \$30,002

Georgia = \$42,159
US = \$49,246

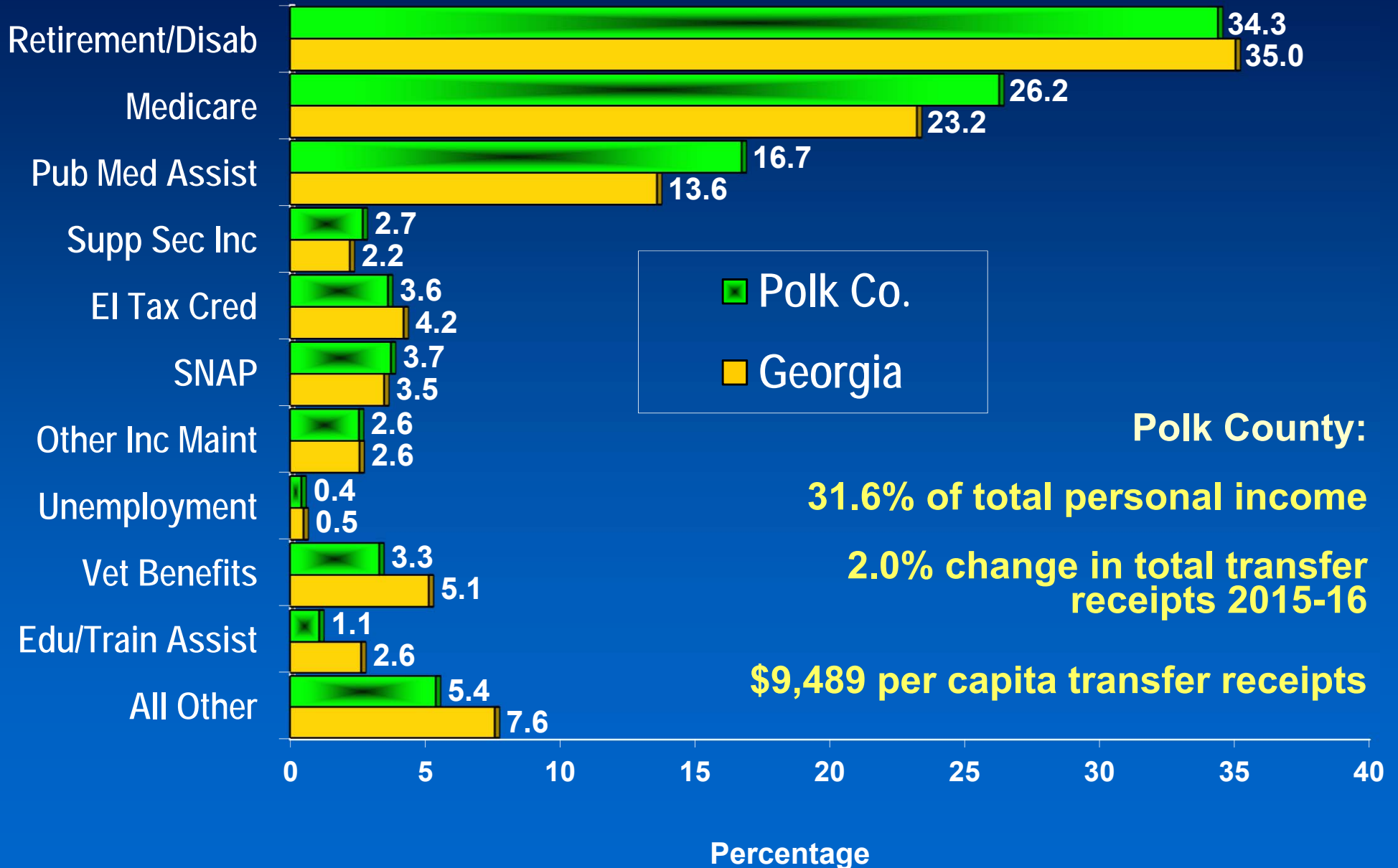
Median Household Income 2016 Model-Based Estimates



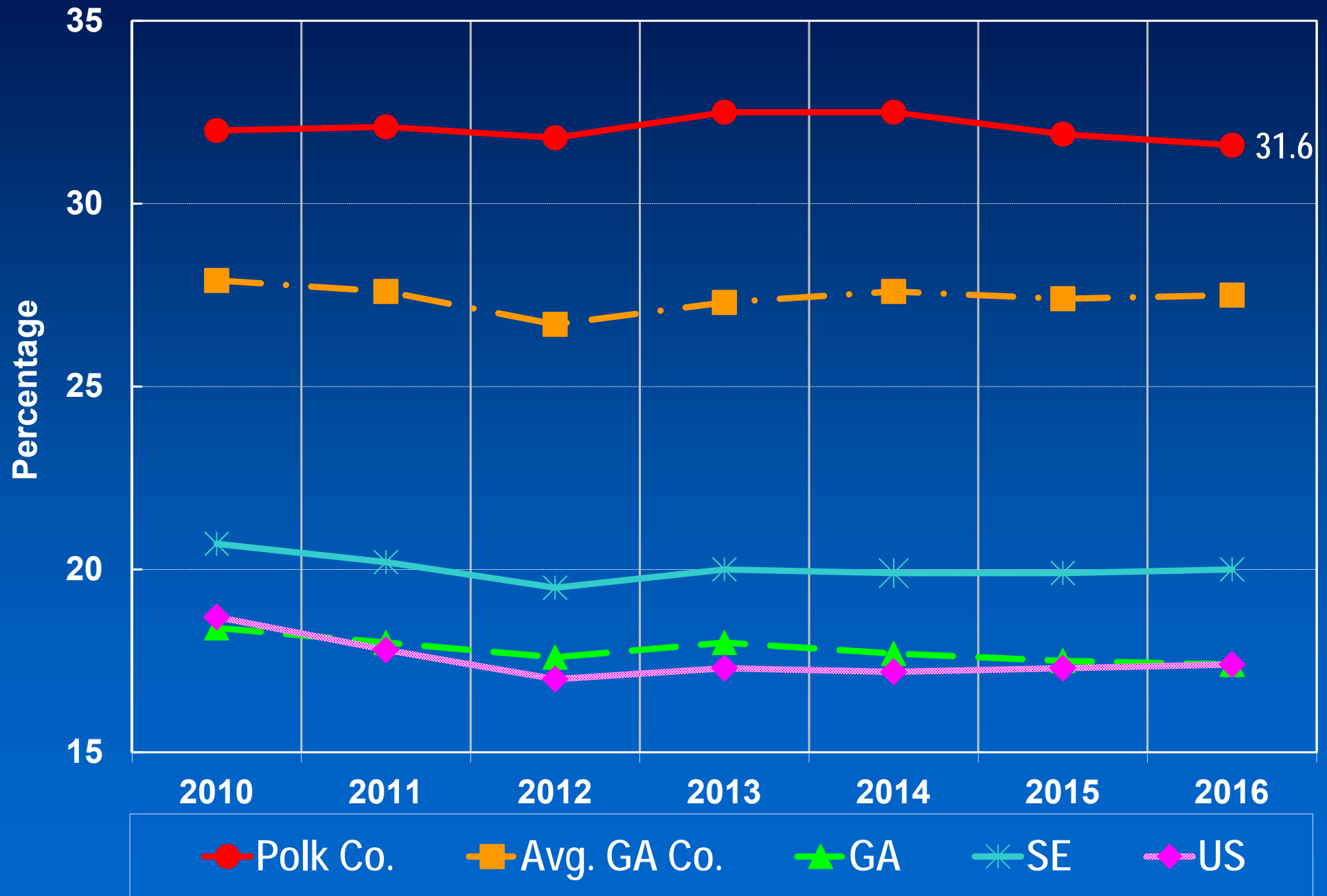
Primary data source: U. S. Census Bureau (12/17)

Personal Current Transfer Receipts: 2016

Polk Co. Total = \$396,396,000



Transfer Receipts as a Percentage of Total Personal Income 2010-2016

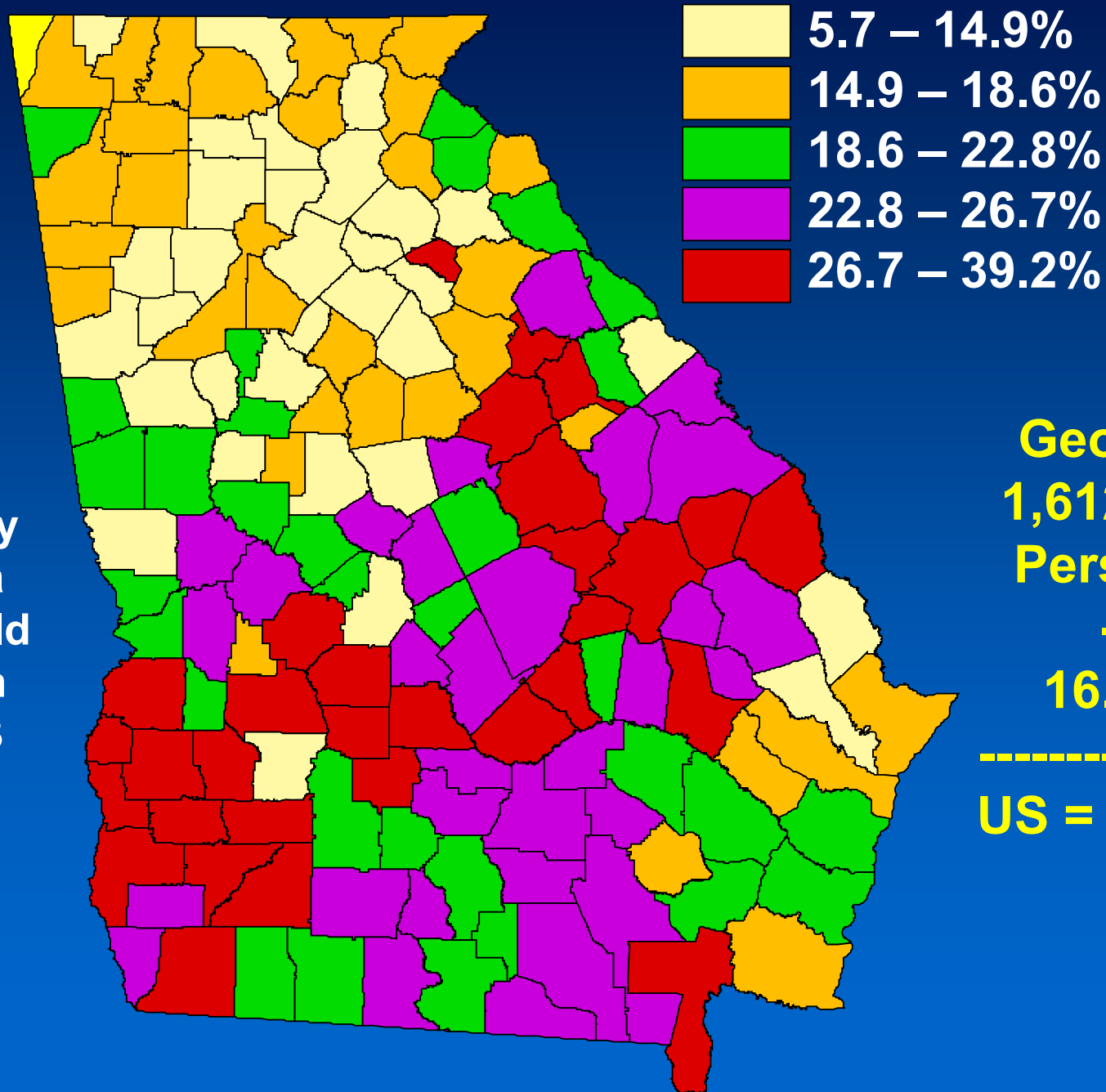


Primary data source: U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis (12/17)

Persons Living Below Poverty Level 2016 Model-Based Estimates

County	All Ages			Children Ages 0-17	
	Number	%	Rank of %	Number	%
POLK	7,609	18.6	63	2,854	27.1
BARTOW	15,442	15.1	34	5,561	22.1
FLOYD	14,596	15.8	43	5,224	23.5
HARALSON	5,306	18.5	60	1,780	26.1
PAULDING	13,373	8.6	6	5,175	12.5
GA Avg. Co.	10,141	20.7	--	3,598	30.4

Persons Living Below the Poverty Level 2016 Model-Based Estimates



Weighted
average poverty
threshold for a
family household
of 4 persons in
2016 = \$24,563

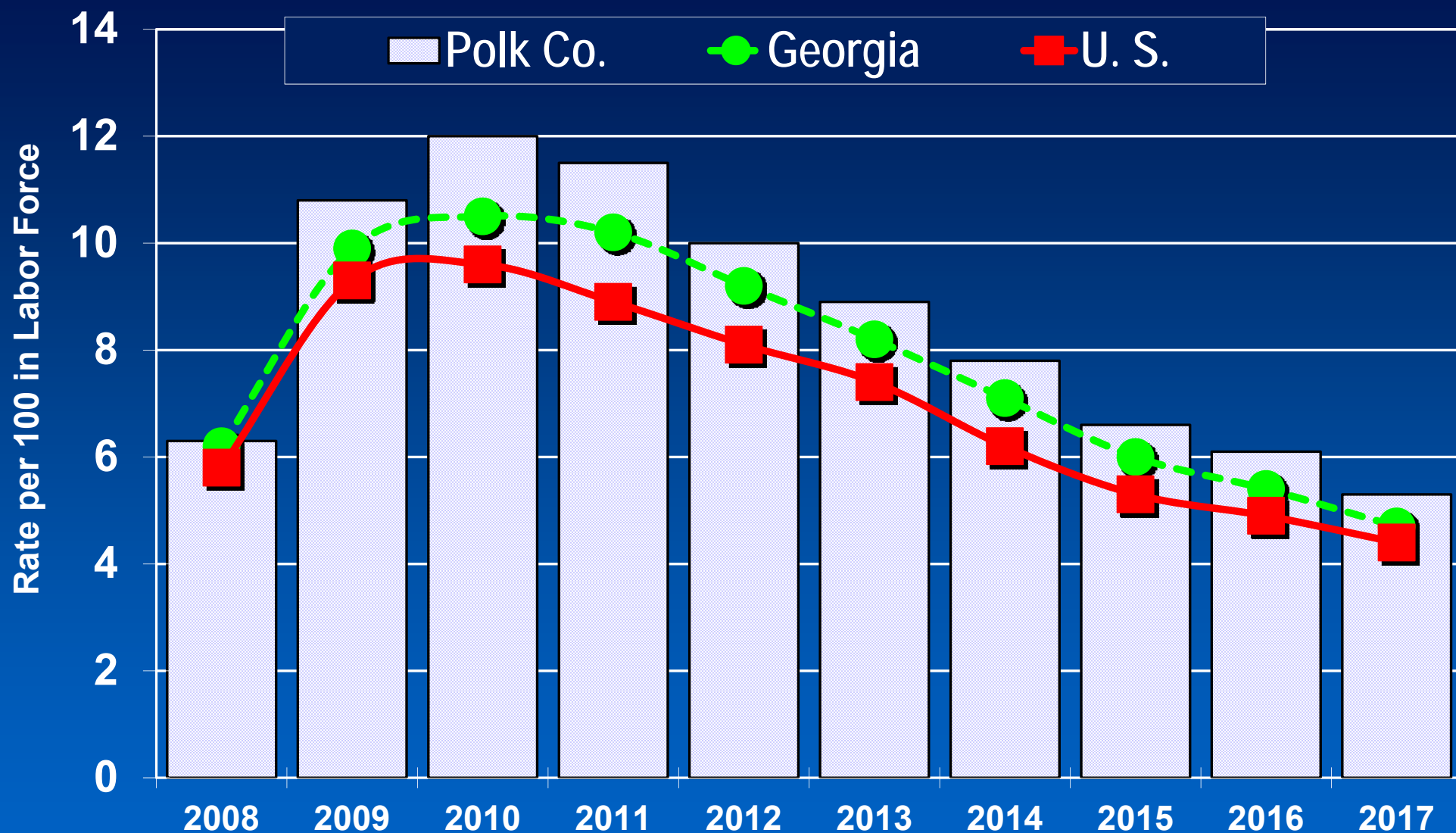
Georgia
1,612,368
Persons

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16.1%

US = 14.0%

Civilian Labor Force Average Annual Unemployment Rates



2017 Rates

Polk Co. = 5.3

GA = 4.7

US = 4.4

Avg. GA County = 5.3

Establishments, Employment & Wages: 2017 Averages

Polk County	Avg. # Establishments	Avg. Monthly Employment	Avg. Wage Weekly
TOTAL GOODS PRODUCING	99	3,666	\$898
Ag, forestry, fishing	3	10	\$772
Construction	60	309	\$952
Manufacturing	34	3,326	\$892
TOTAL SERVICE PROVIDING	469	5,744	\$592
Wholesale trade	26	266	\$870
Retail trade	128	1,724	\$533
Transp/Warehousing	14	329	\$915
Finance/Insurance	37	137	\$776
Professional/Sci/Tech	30	71	\$806
Admin/Suppt/WasteMgmt/Remediation	50	538	\$640
Health care/Soc Svcs	45	985	\$735
Accommodations/Food Svc	66	1,163	\$261
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	45	1,620	\$775
TOTAL ALL INDUSTRIES	624	11,045	\$721

Primary data source: GA Dept. of Labor (6/18)

Employment Comparisons by Industry Group: 2017

■ Polk Co.

■ Avg. GA County

■ Georgia

Goods Producing

33.2

22.2

14.0

Service Providing

52.0

52.9

70.8

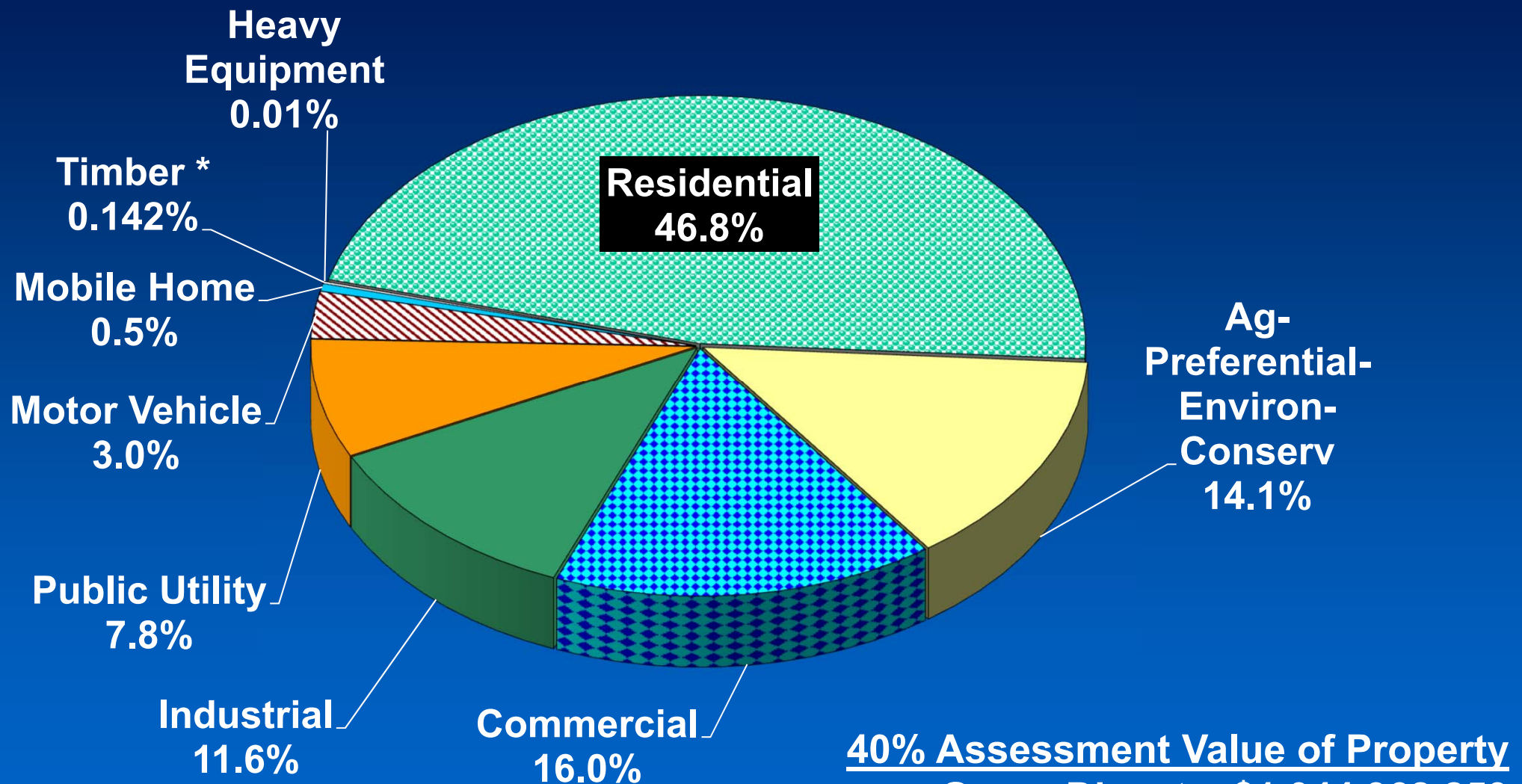
Government

14.7

24.3

14.9

Components of 2017 Property Tax Gross Digest Polk County



40% Assessment Value of Property

Gross Digest = \$1,044,368,259

Homestead & Property Exemptions = \$113,550,057

Net M&O Digest = \$930,818,202

Value of exempt property = \$120,362,245

* Timber taxed at 100% based on previous year sales

Primary data source:
GA Dept. of Revenue
Data downloaded 3/18

Polk Co. Millage Rates, Taxes Levied, & Sales Tax Rate

Tax District	2017 Millage rates
Aragon	11.610
Braswell	5.000
Cedartown	11.201
County Incorp	11.061
County Unincorp	11.061
Rockmart	8.883
School	16.151
Taylorsville	0

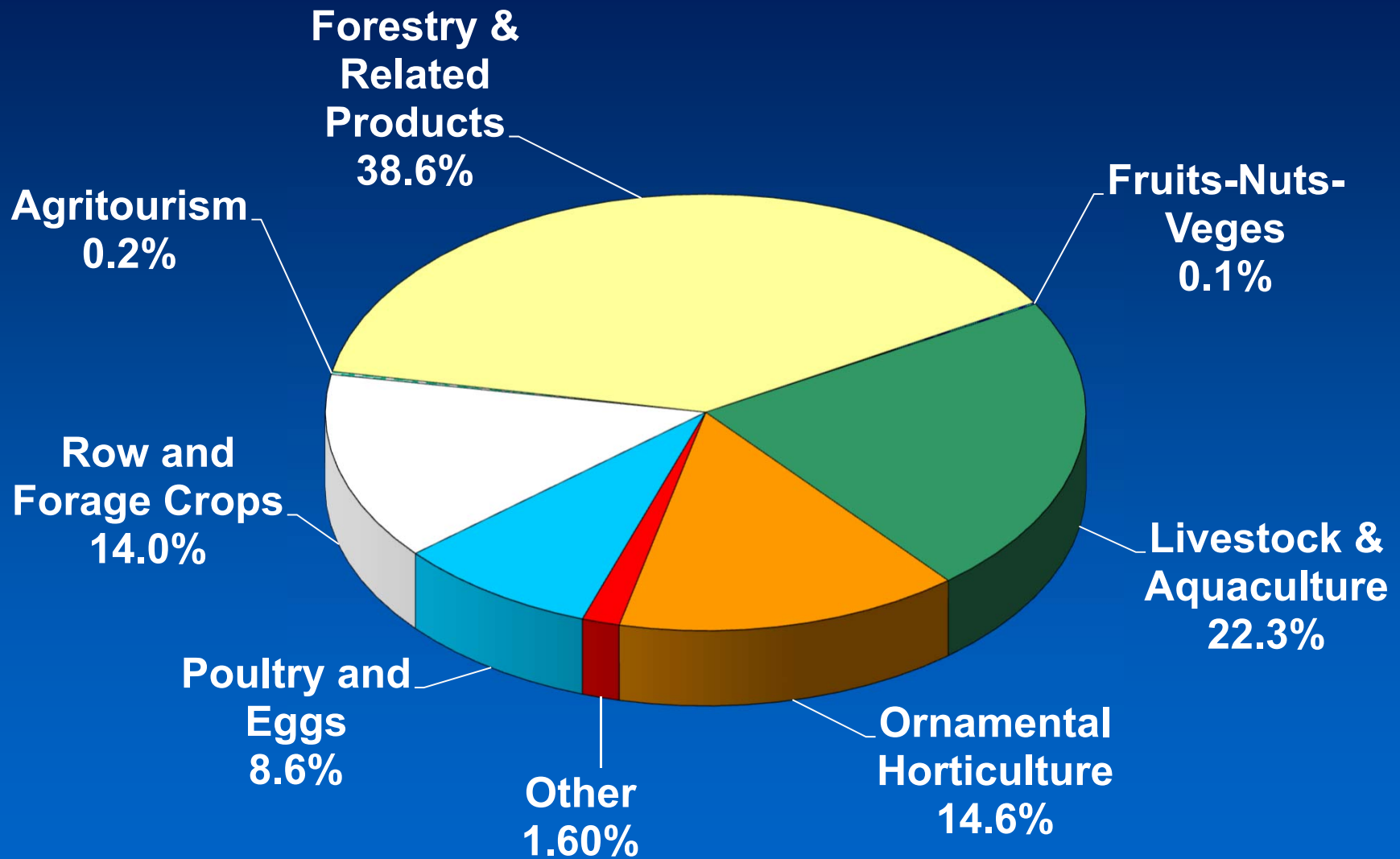
County	2016 Taxes Levied*	Sales Tax Rate as of 4/1/18	LOST Type* as of 4/1/18
POLK	\$29,016,041	7	LSE
BARTOW	\$91,551,597	7	LSE
FLOYD	\$92,147,131	7	LSE
HARALSON	\$22,260,382	8	LSET
PAULDING	\$108,854,581	7	LSE

Primary data source: GA
Dept. of Revenue, Local
Government Services

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

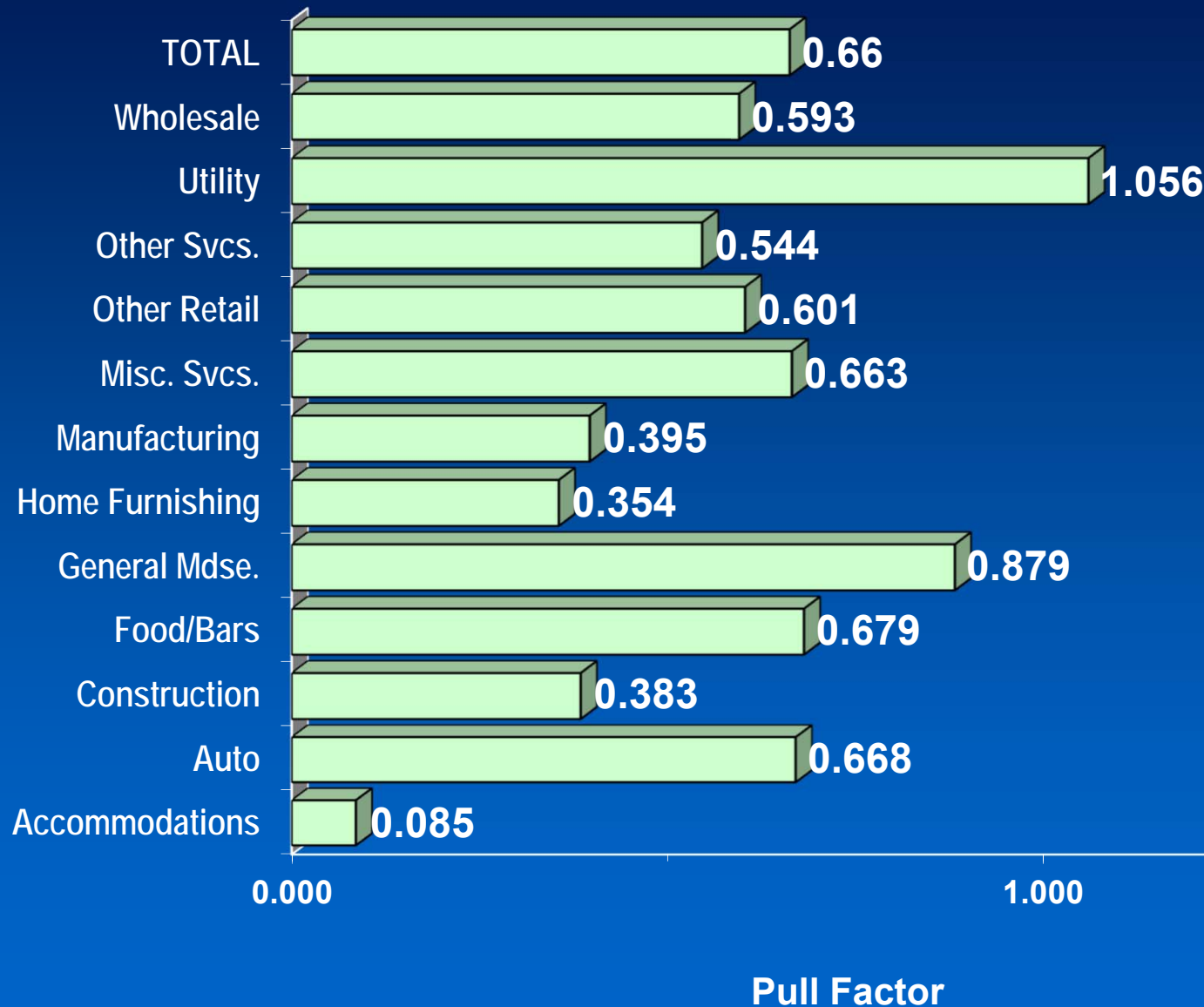
2016 Farm Gate Value by Commodity Group

Polk Co. Total Value = \$28,279,509



1% Sales & Use Tax Distributions: 2016

Polk Co. Total = \$4,404,003

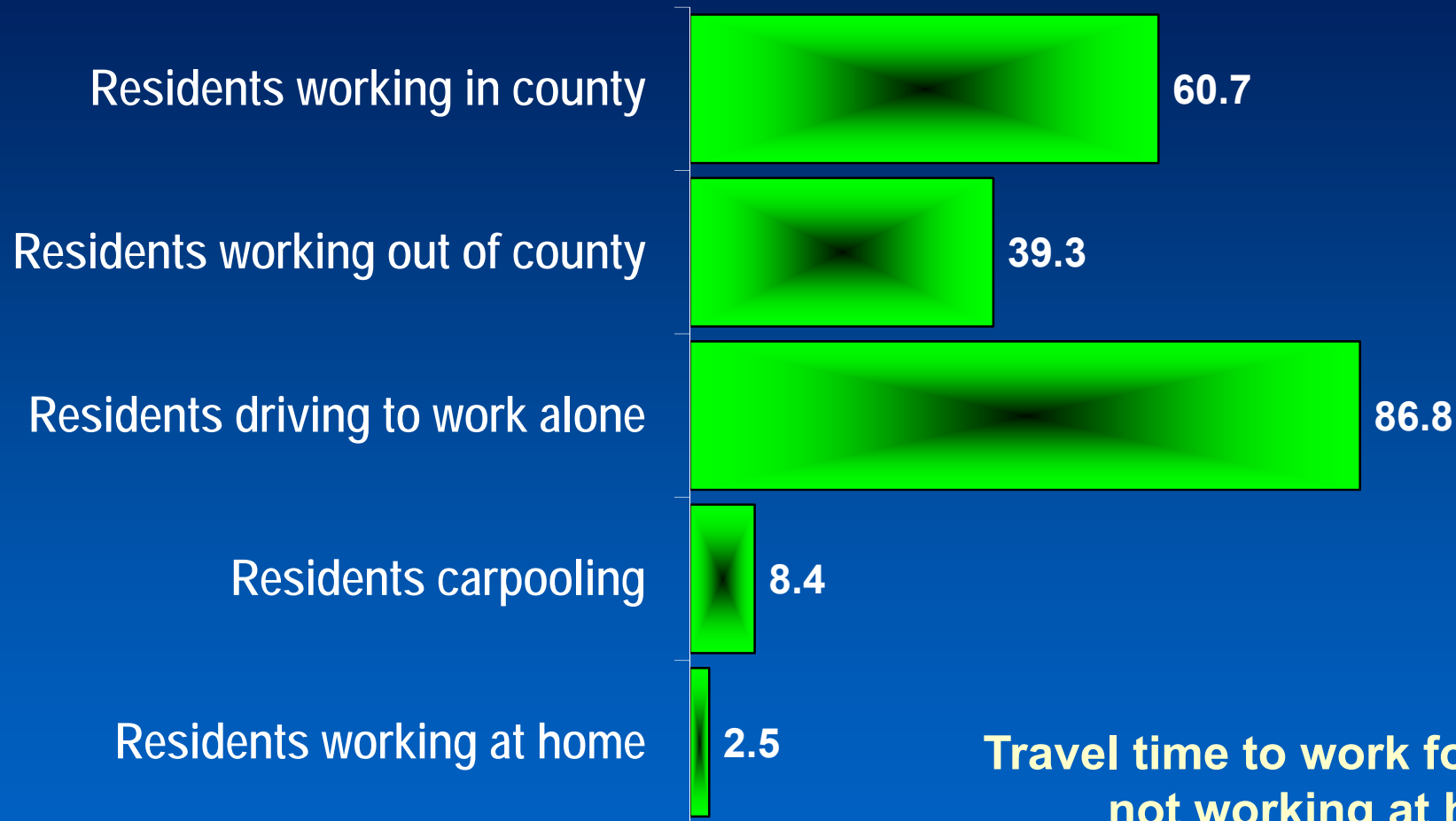


A "pull factor" of 1.0 means that the county's sales are what would be expected based upon the number of residents and their relative wealth.

Commuting to Work: 2012-2016

5 Yr. Average – American Community Survey

Percentage of:



Travel time to work for residents
not working at home:

< 10 min. = 20.4%

60+ min. = 9.9%

Polk Co.

Resident workers 16+ = 16,374

Mean travel time to work
= 26.5 minutes

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

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