

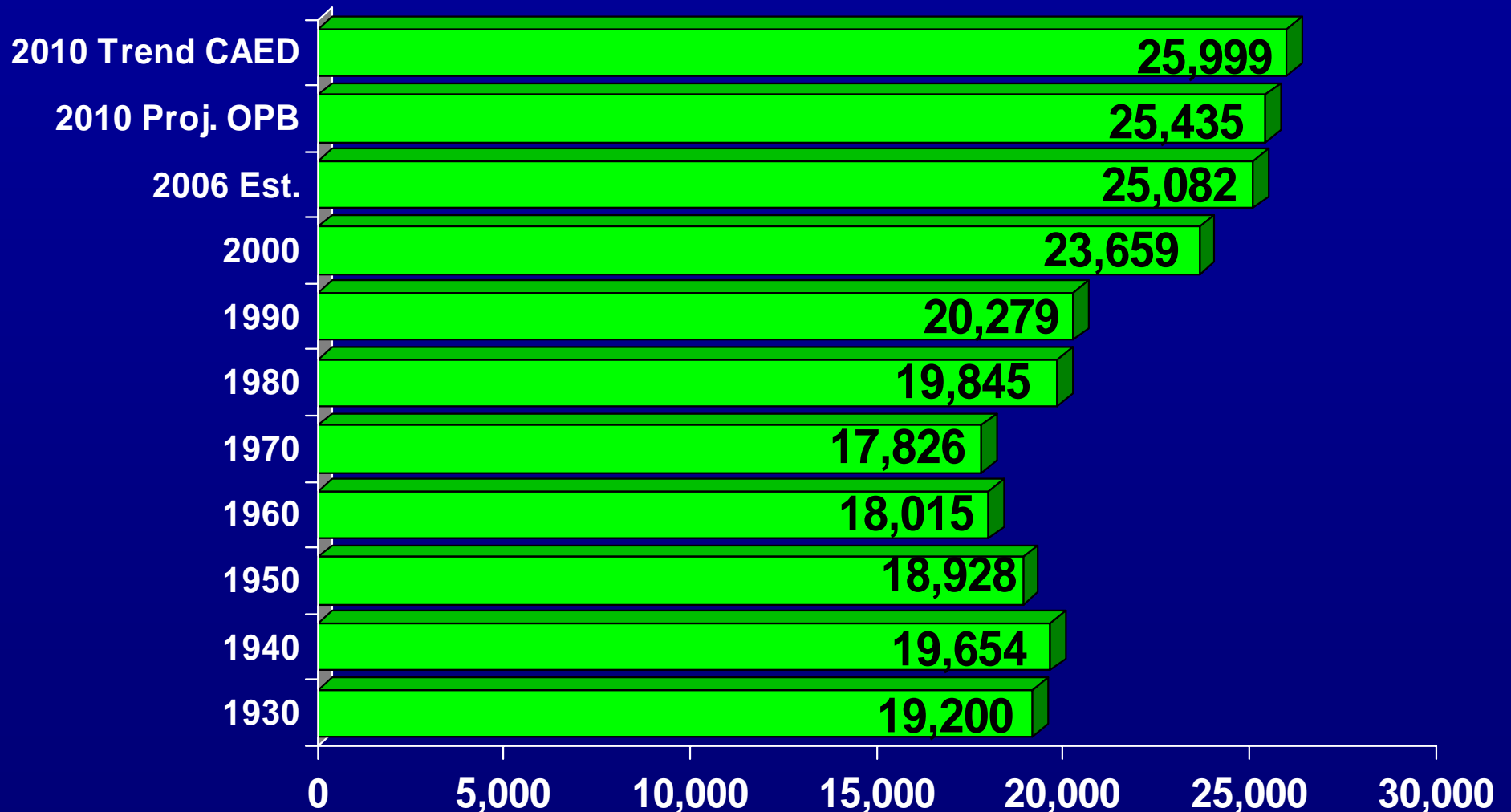
# Grady County Community Profile



**139th in order of  
county creation  
August 17, 1905**

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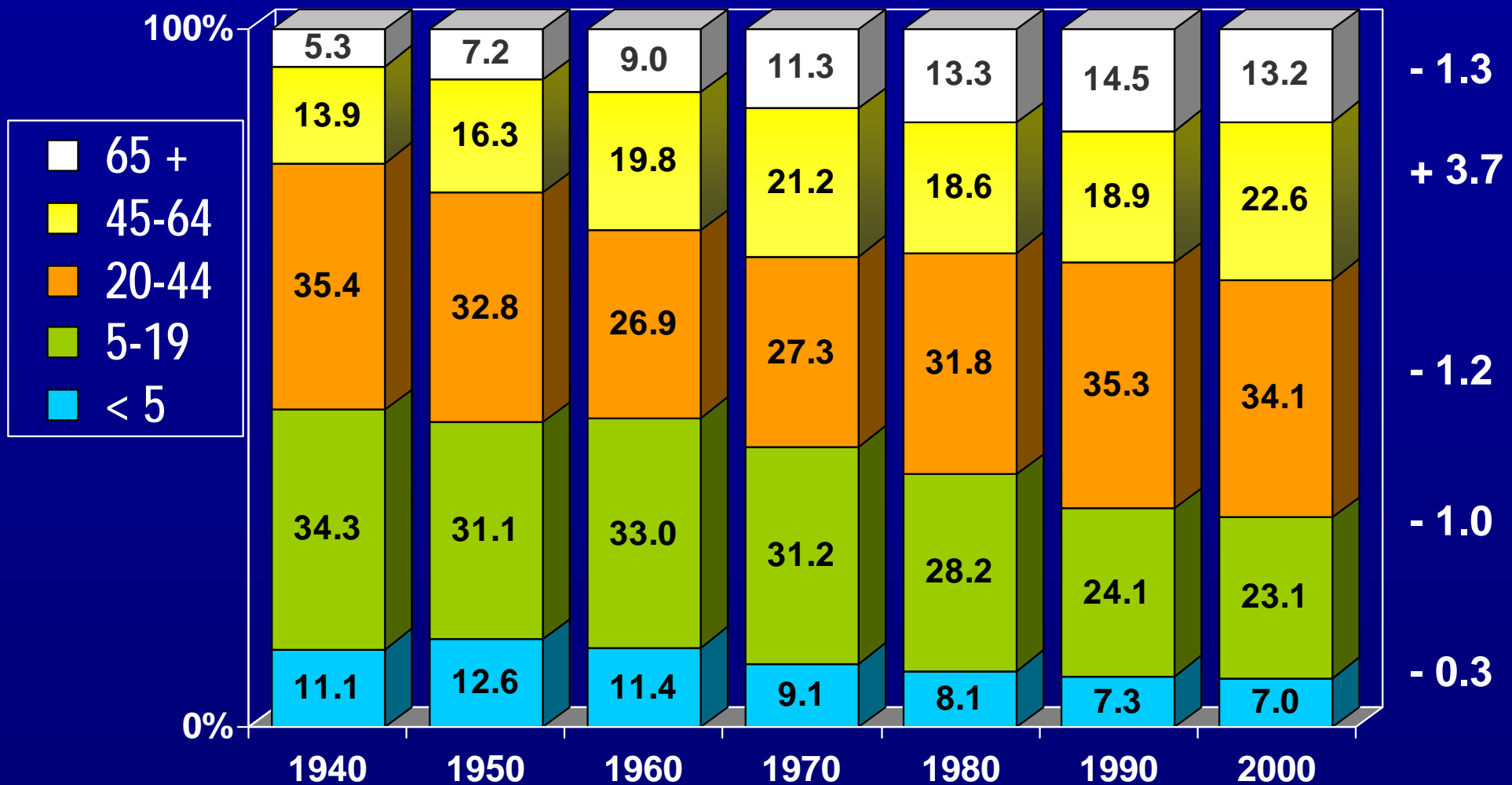
# Total Population Grady County



Primary data sources: U.S. Census Bureau, decennial censuses & estimate; CAED (Center for Agribusiness & Economic Development); OPB (State Office of Planning & Budget).

# Population Composition by Age Grady County

Change in  
proportion  
1990-2000



2006 Estimated Median Age

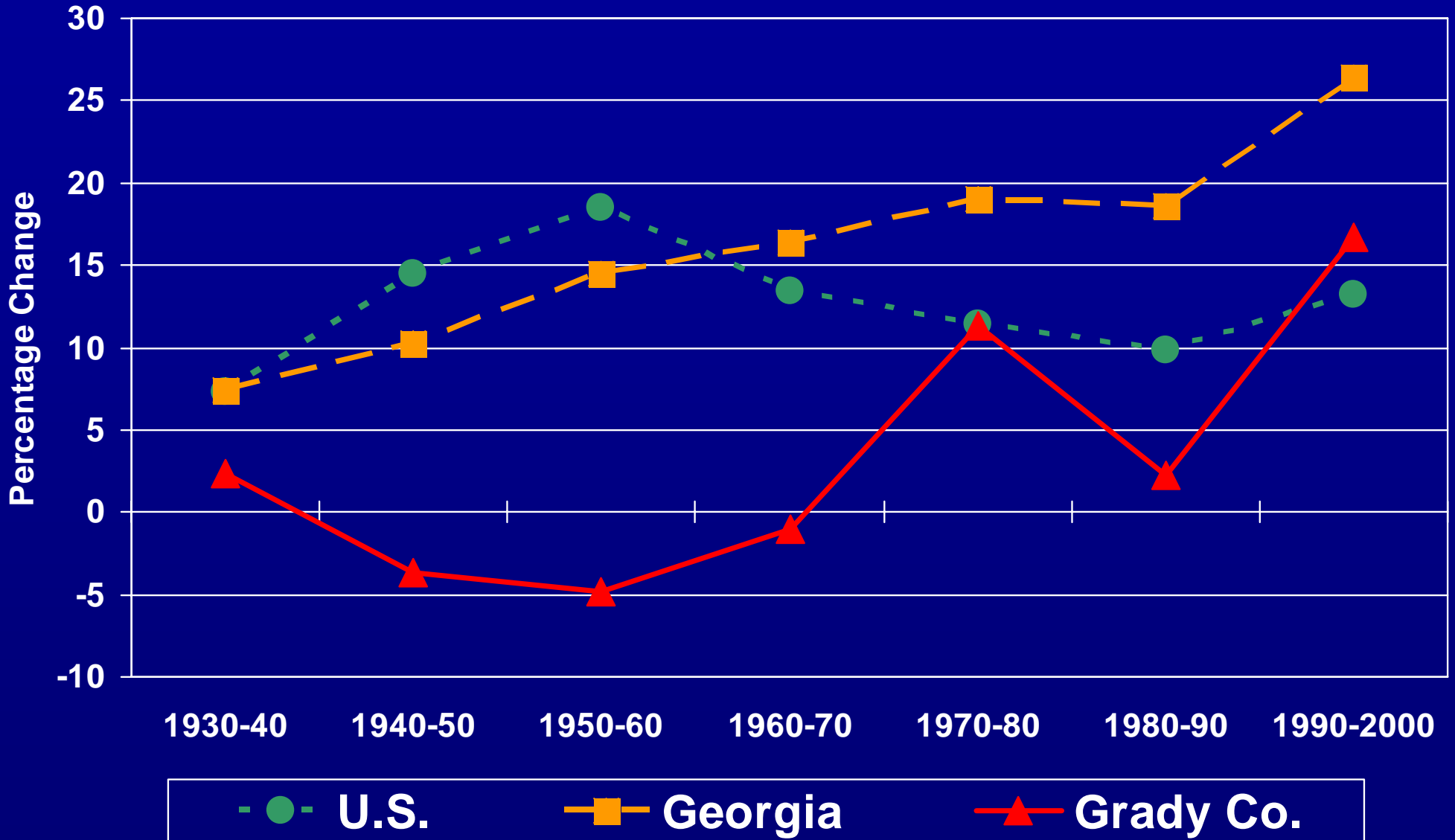
Grady Co. = 35.0 yrs.

GA = 34.6 yrs.

# 2006 County Population Comparisons

County	Total	Total Rank	Density per sq.mi. land area	% Chg. 2000-06	Rank of % Chg.
GRADY	25,082	69	54.7	6.0	79
BAKER	4,098	154	11.9	0.6	124
BROOKS	16,464	99	33.4	0.1	128
COLQUITT	44,821	45	81.2	6.6	75
DECATUR	28,665	59	48.0	1.5	117
MITCHELL	23,852	74	46.6	-0.3	132
THOMAS	45,135	43	82.3	5.6	86

# Population Change: 1930-2000



Primary data source: U.S. Census Bureau

# Components of Population Change: 2000-2006

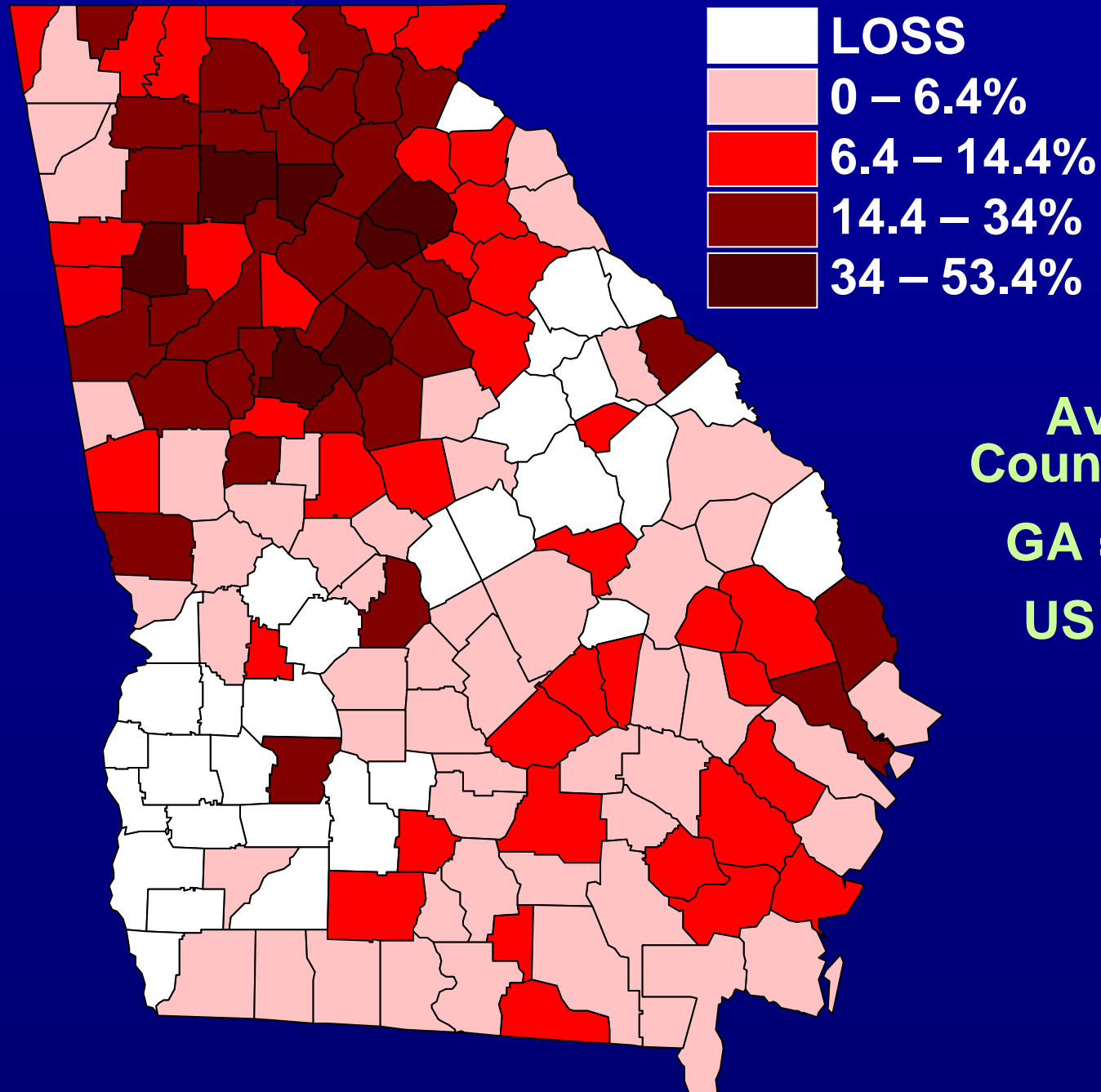
## Natural Increase & Net Migration\*

Area	Numerical Change	# Natural Increase (Births-Deaths)	Rate of Natural Increase	# Net Migration	Rate of Net Migration
GRADY	1,423	943	6.2	568	3.7
BAKER	24	8	0.3	13	0.5
BROOKS	14	85	0.8	-16	-0.2
COLQUITT	2,783	1,673	6.2	1,259	4.6
DECATUR	425	656	3.7	-127	-0.7
MITCHELL	-82	473	3.2	-484	-3.2
THOMAS	2,401	915	3.3	1,621	5.9
Avg. GA Co.	7,403	2,761	4.5	3,816	8.7
GEORGIA	1,777,125	438,939	8.0	606,673	11.1

Primary data source:  
U. S. Census Bureau

\* Numerical change includes "residual" not represented in either NI or NM.  
Average annual estimates of annual rates per 1,000 population

# Population Change: 2000-2006



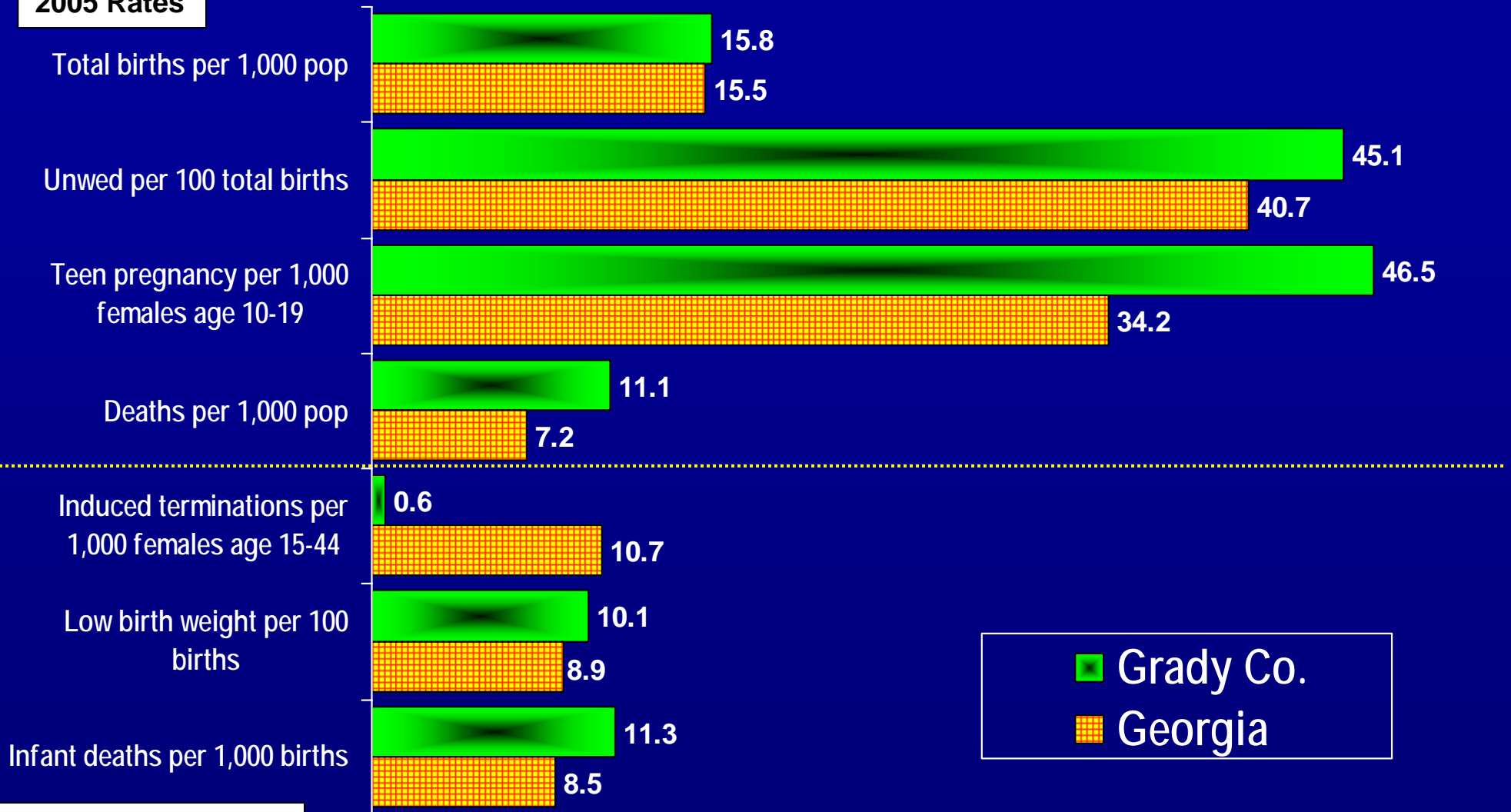
Avg. GA  
County = 9.1%

GA = 14.4%

US = 6.4%

# Selected Vital Statistics

## 2005 Rates



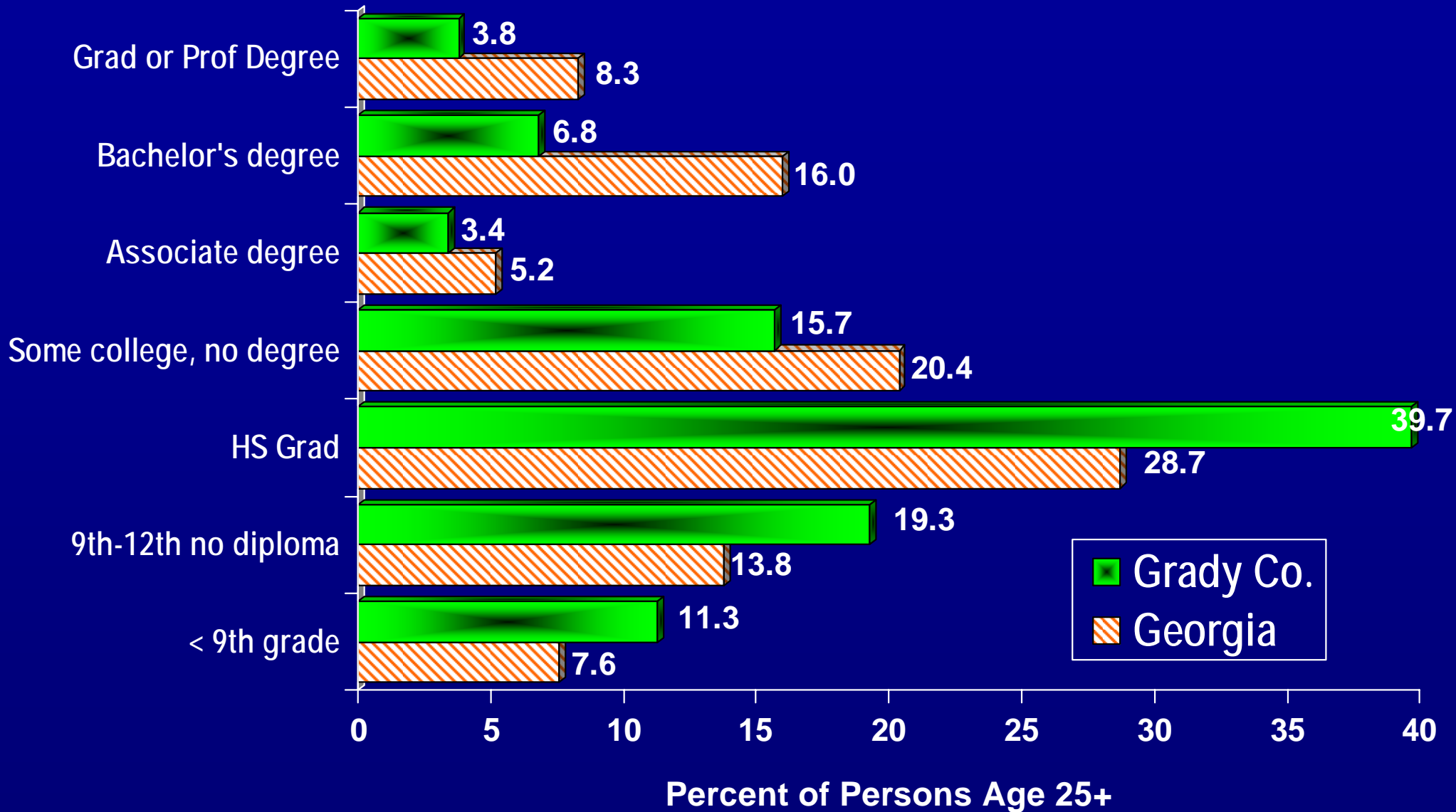
## 10-yr. rates 1996-2005

**2005 Grady Co. Natality Data**  
**386 total births, 174 unwed births**  
**4 induced terminations**  
**82 teen pregnancies**  
**44 low birth weight babies**

**2005 Grady Co. Mortality Data**  
**272 total deaths**  
**2 infant deaths**



# Highest Level of Educational Attainment: 2000



**Grady Co.**

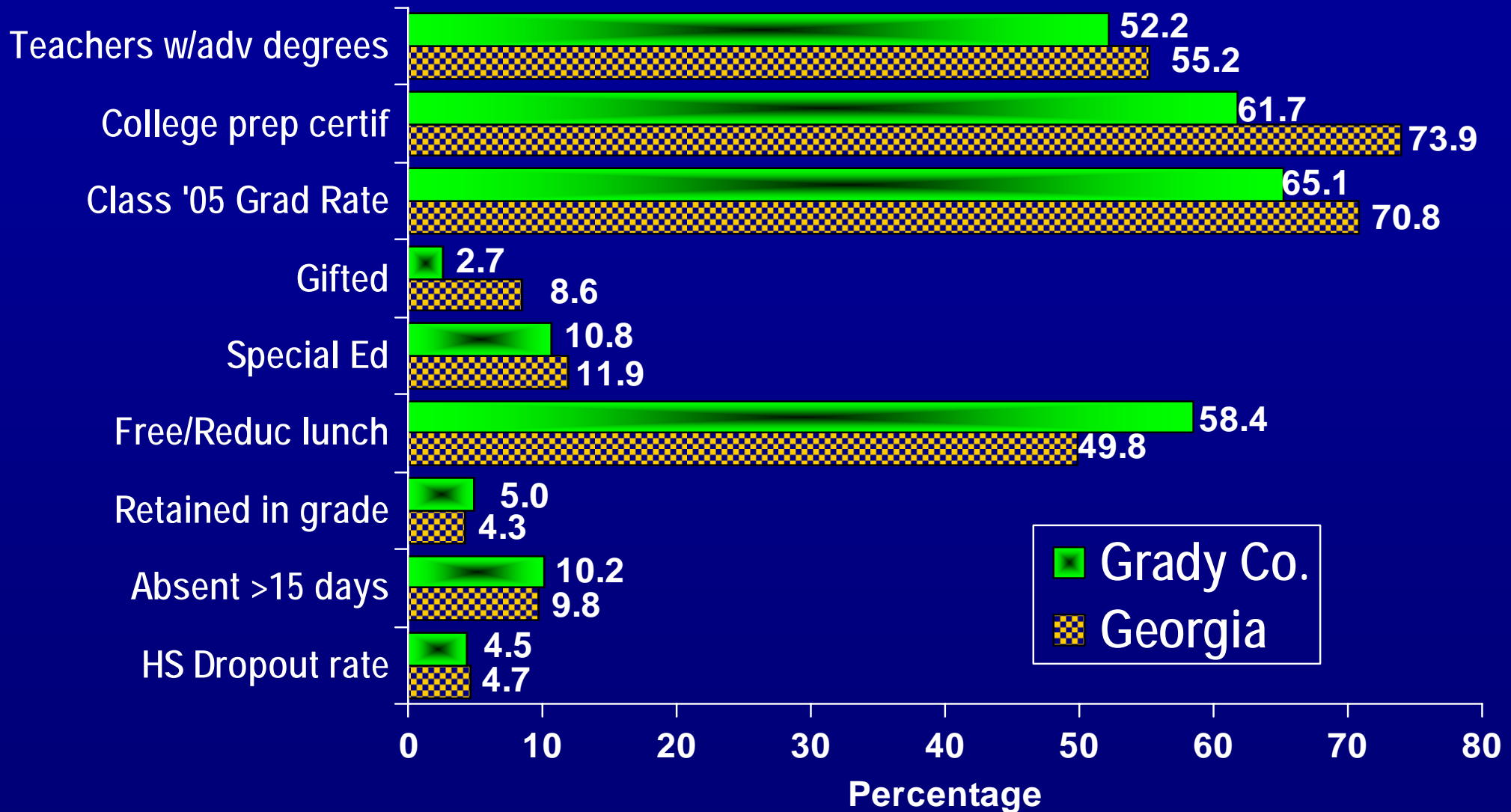
**Not completing HS = 30.6%**

**With a bachelor's + degree = 10.6%**

Primary data source: U.S. Census Bureau

# Selected Public School Statistics

## School Year 2005-06



■ Grady Co.  
▨ Georgia

Grady Co.

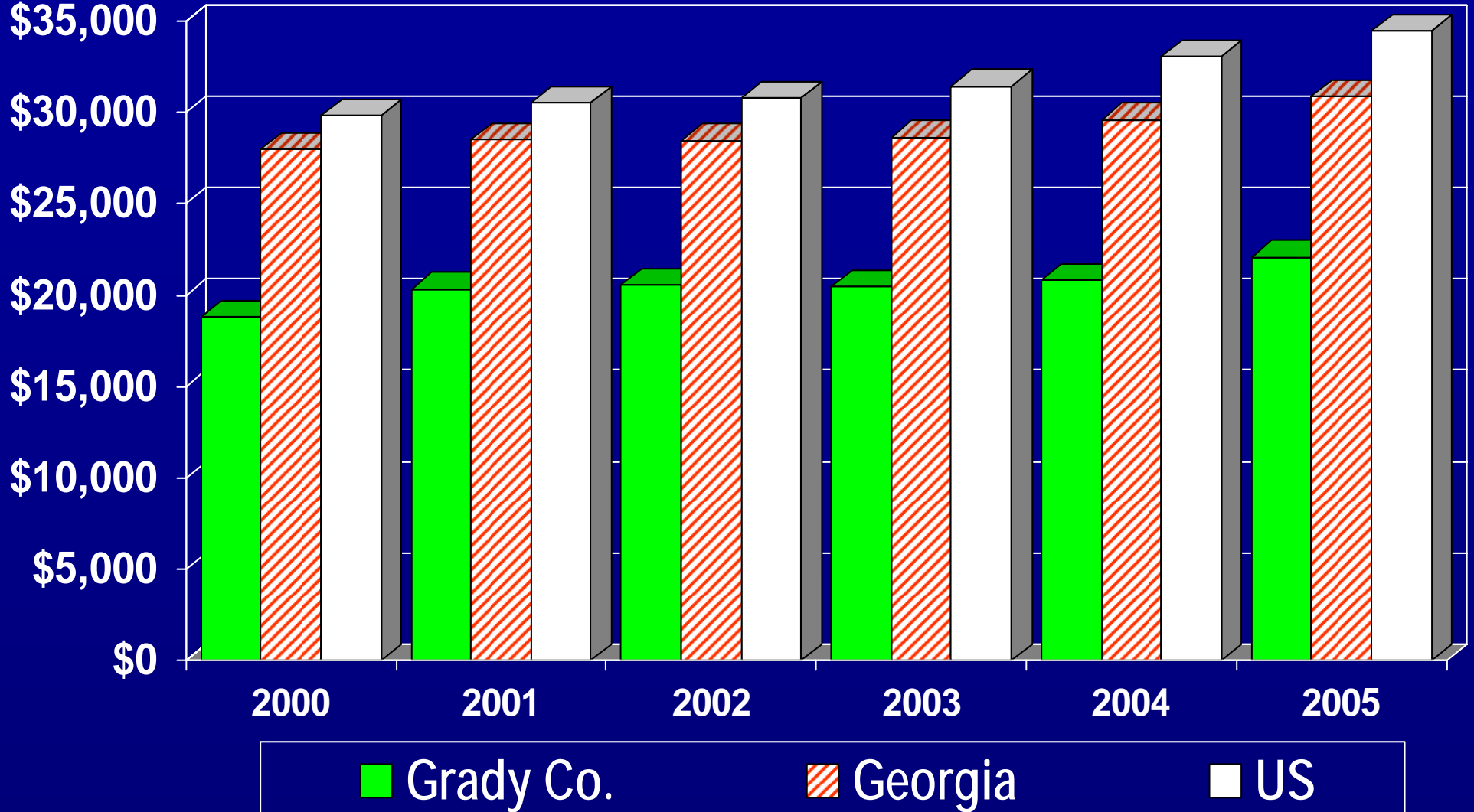
K12 enrollment = 4,260

HS dropouts = 60

General Fund Expenditures per FTE = \$6,395

Primary data source:  
 Governor's Office of Student Achievement

# Per Capita Income: 2000-2005

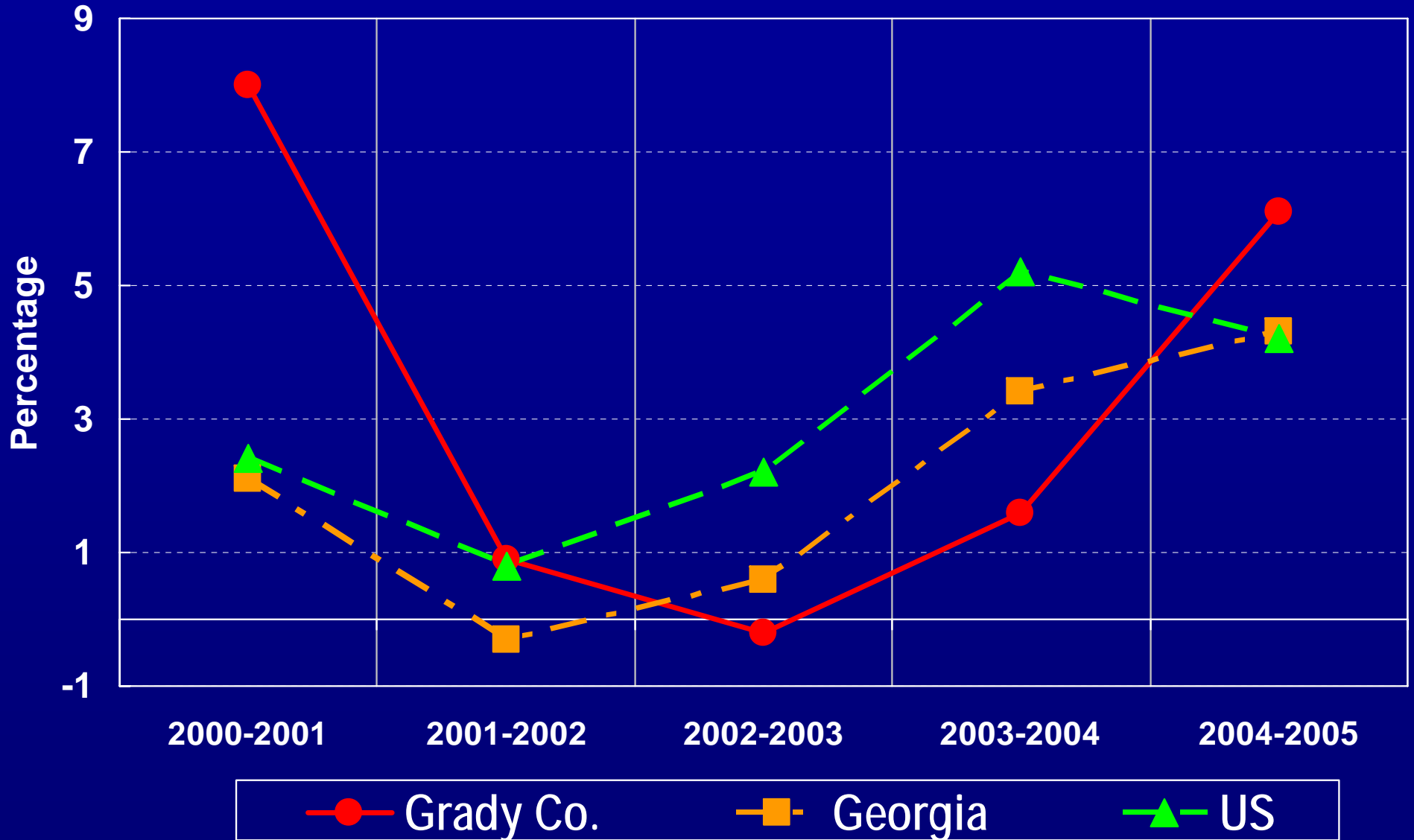


**2005 PCI**  
**Grady Co. = \$22,104**

**Georgia = \$30,914**  
**US = \$34,471**

# Per Capita Income: 2000-2005

## Percentage Change

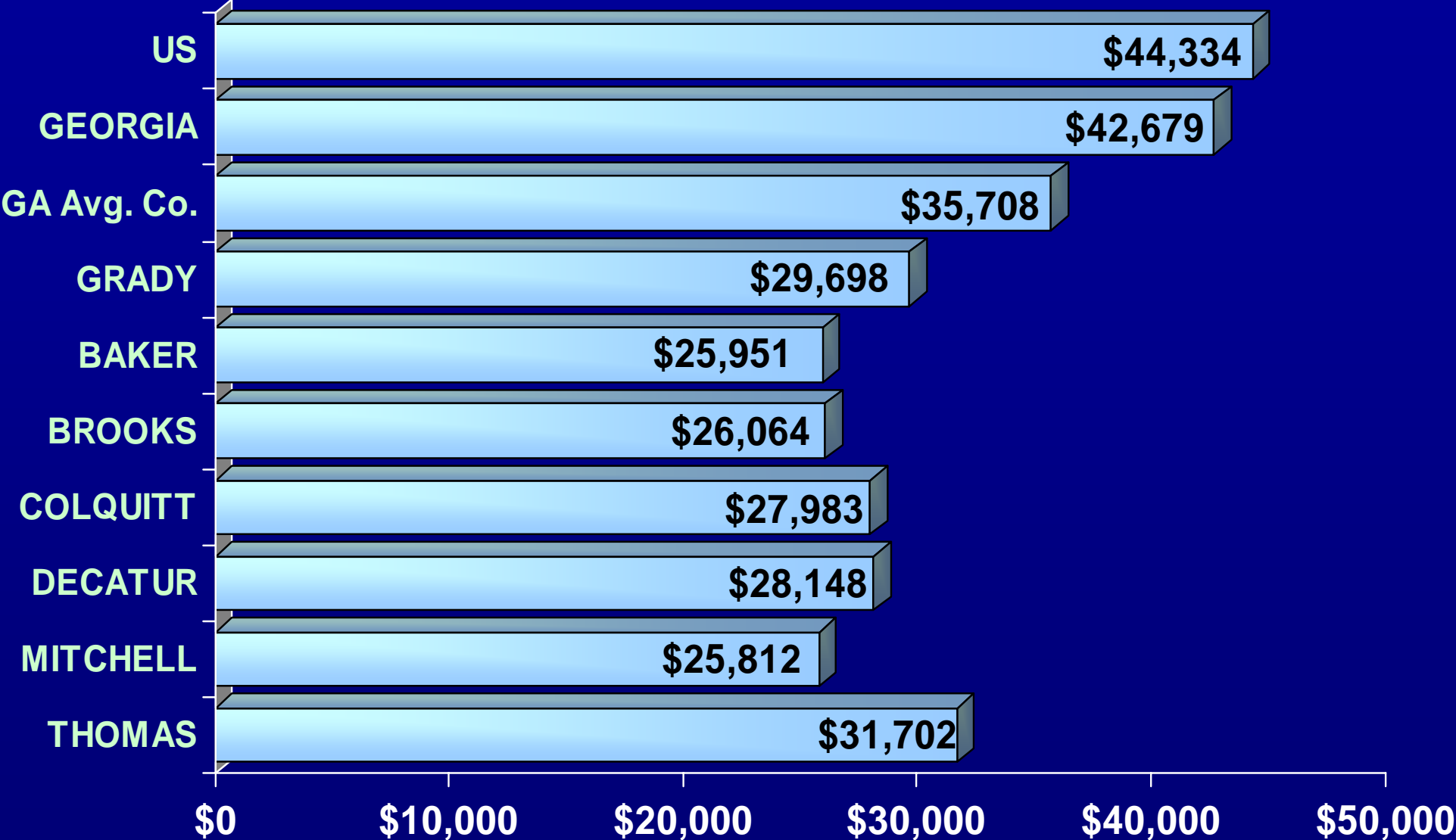


## Per Capita Income: 2005

County	PCI	Rank of PCI	% PCI of GA Total	% Change in PCI 2000-2005
GRADY	\$22,104	111	74.2	17.3
BAKER	\$19,672	148	66.1	-2.4
BROOKS	\$22,728	97	76.3	12.3
COLQUITT	\$21,833	115	73.3	13.6
DECATUR	\$22,361	103	75.1	12.2
MITCHELL	\$20,162	144	67.7	16.2
THOMAS	\$28,718	21	96.4	24.0
GA Avg. Co.	\$24,592	--	82.6	14.7

# Median Household Income

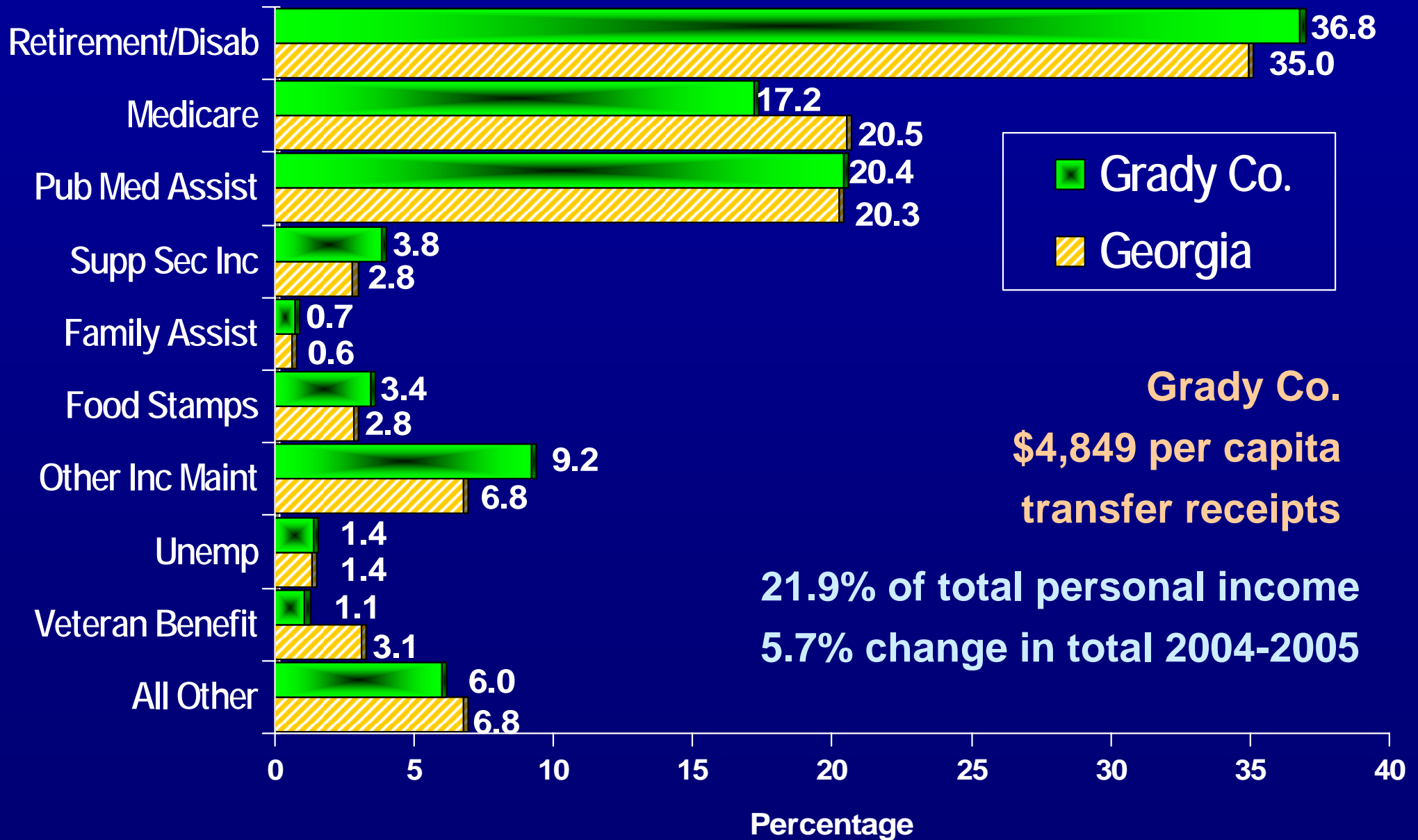
## 2004 Model-Based Estimates



Primary data source: U. S. Census Bureau (12/06)

# Transfer Receipts: 2005

## Grady Co. Total = \$118,831,000



Primary data source: Bureau of Economic Analysis (5/07)

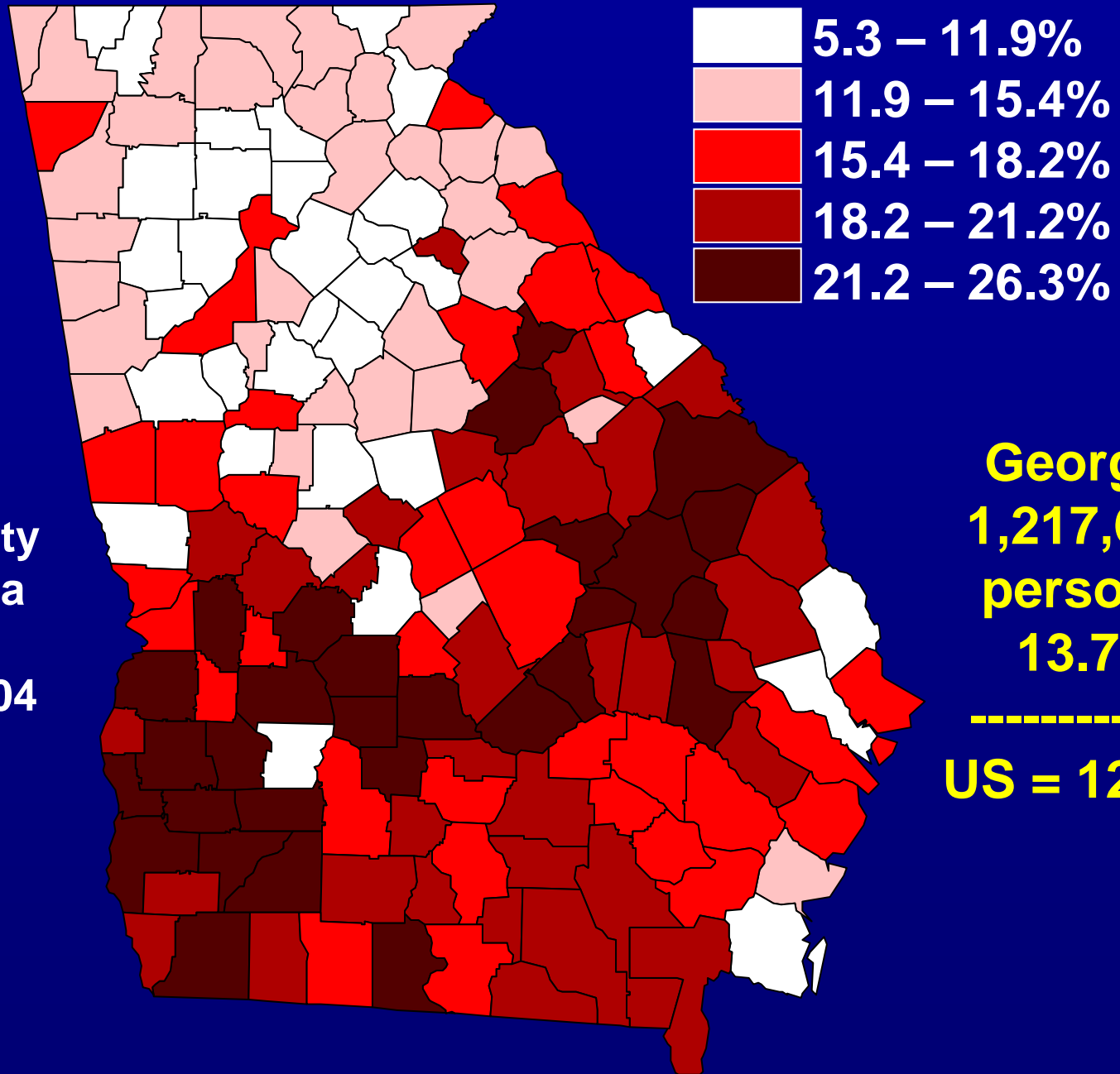
# Persons Living Below Poverty Level

## 2004 Model-Based Estimates

County	# of Persons	% of all Persons	Rank of %
GRADY	4,581	18.8	104
BAKER	887	21.4	131
BROOKS	3,488	21.7	136
COLQUITT	8,681	20.1	120
DECATUR	6,029	21.5	133
MITCHELL	5,104	23.2	148
THOMAS	7,611	17.4	84
GA Avg. Co.	7,658	16.6	--



# Persons Living Below the Poverty Level 2004 Model-Based Estimates

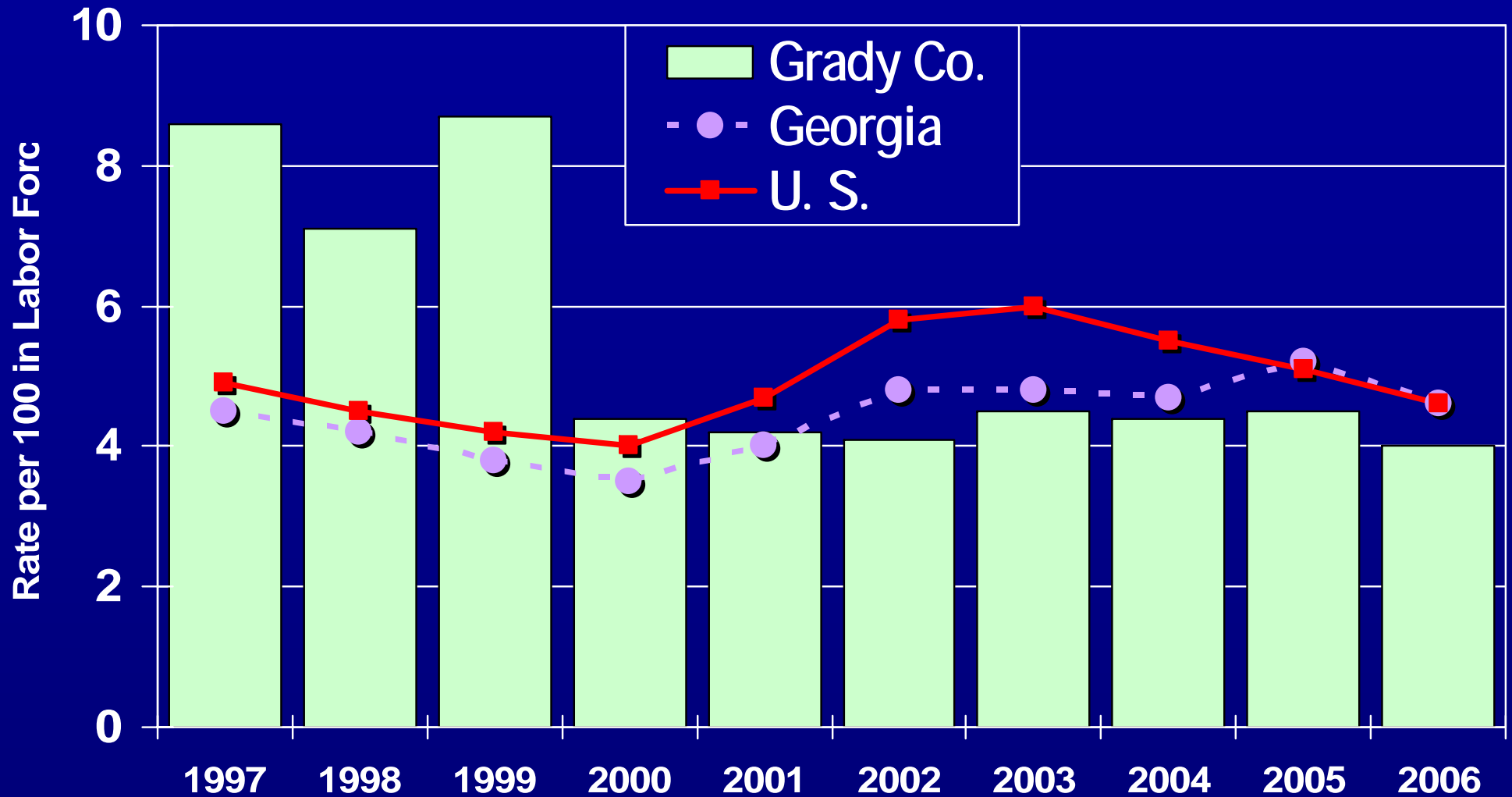


Weighted  
average poverty  
threshold for a  
family of 4  
persons in 2004  
= \$19,307

**Georgia**  
**1,217,686**  
**persons**  
**13.7%**  
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**US = 12.7%**

Primary data source: U.S. Census Bureau (12/06)

# Unemployment Rates



**2006 Rates**

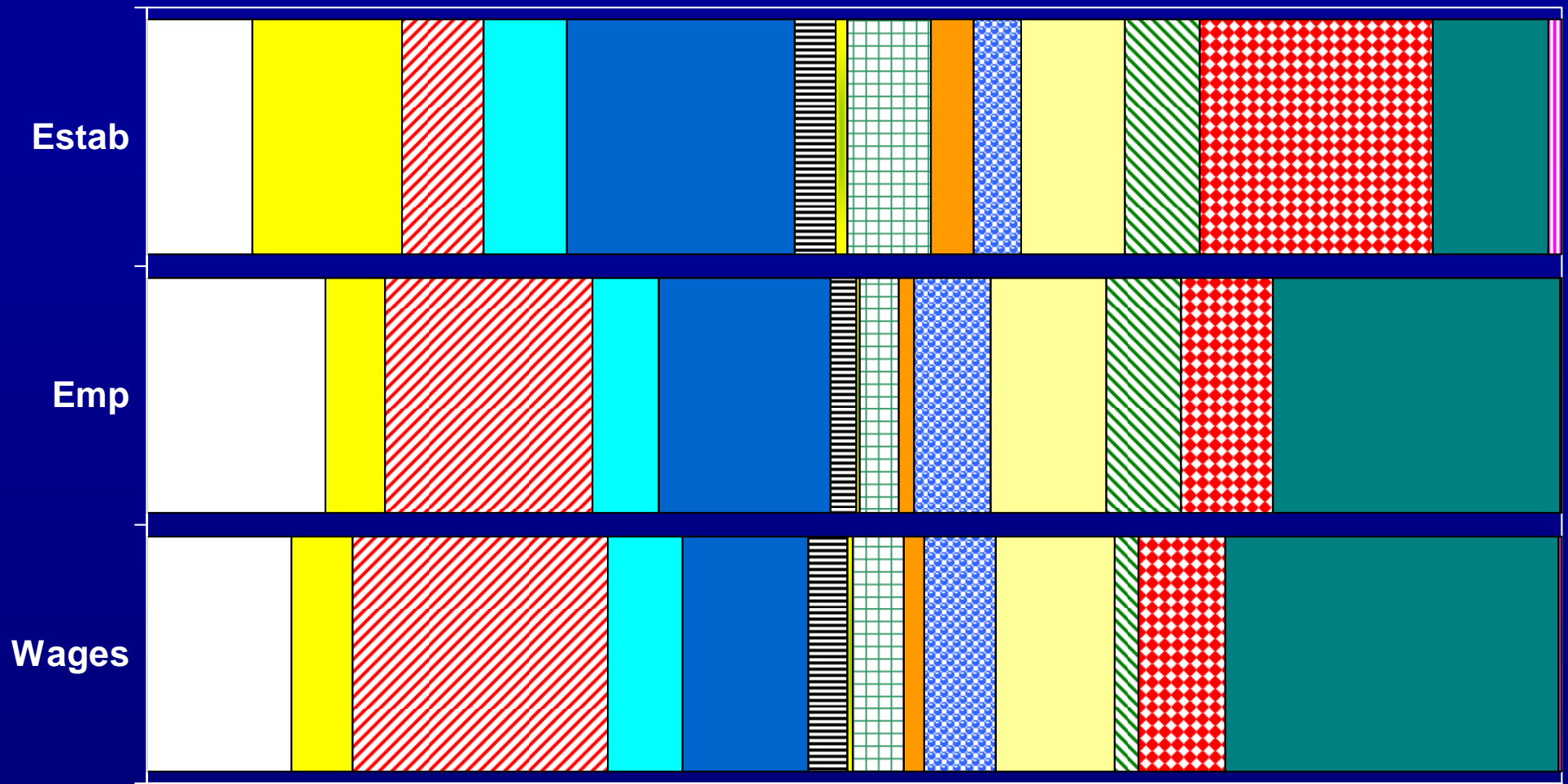
**Grady Co. = 4.0**

**GA = 4.6**

**US = 4.6**

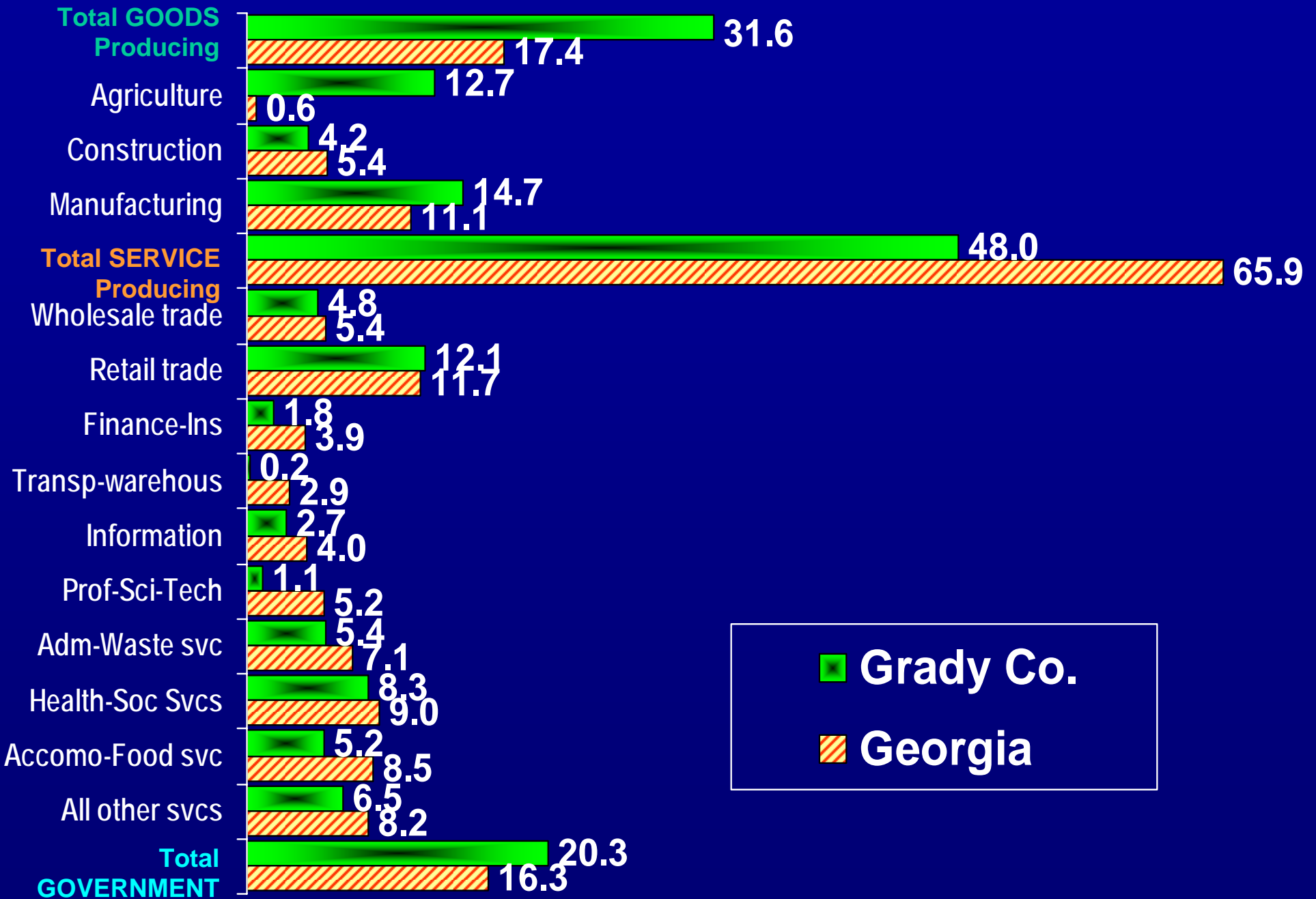
**Avg. GA County = 5.0**

# Business Establishments, Employment and Wages Grady County 2006 Annual Averages, % of Total



- Agriculture
- Construction
- Manufacturing
- Wholesale trade
- Retail trade
- Transp-warehouse
- Information
- Finance/Insur
- Prof-Sci-Tech Svc
- Admin-waste svc
- Health svc
- Accom/Food Svc
- All other svc
- Govt
- All Other

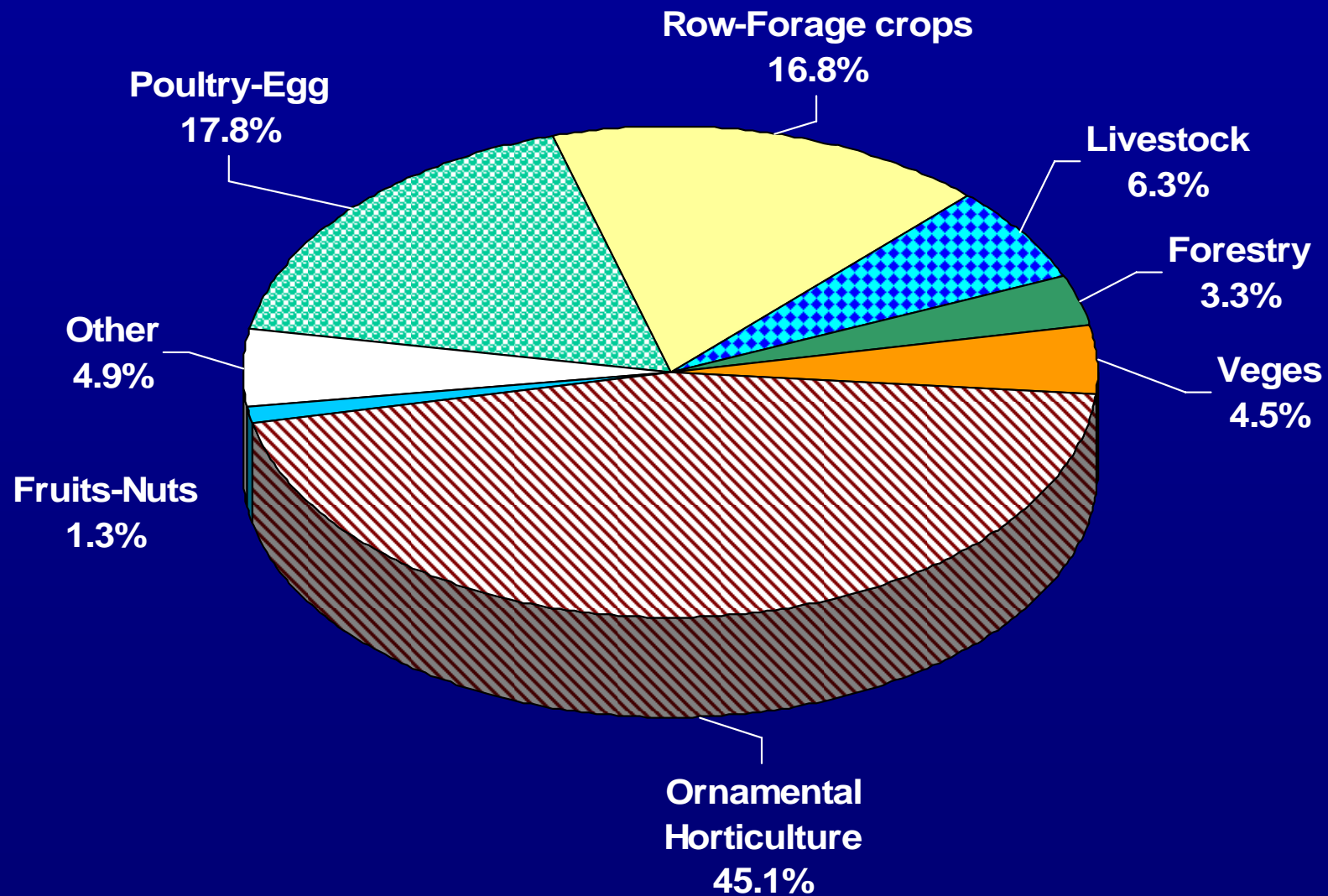
# Employment Comparisons by Industry: 2006



Primary data source: GA Dept. of Labor

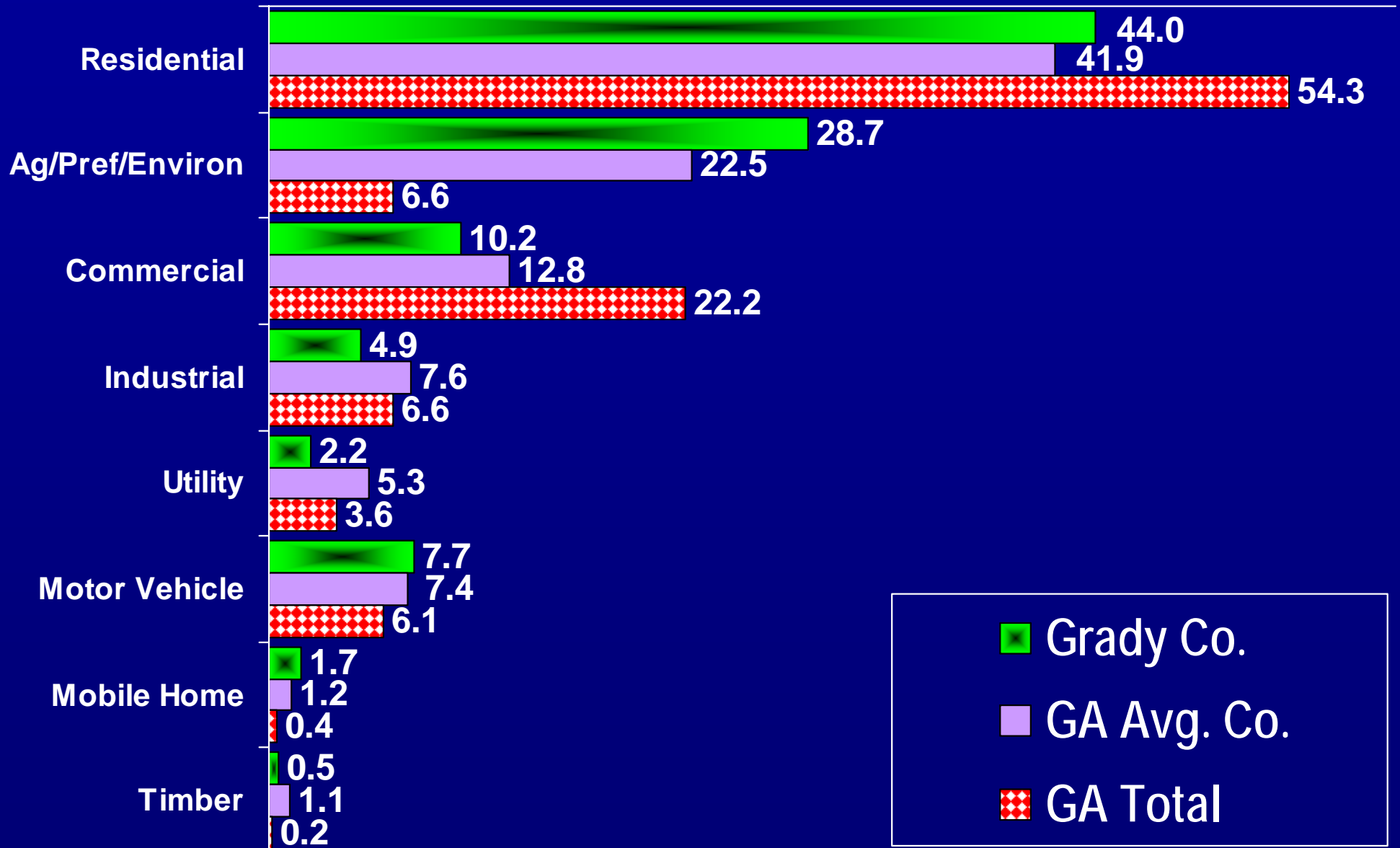
# Farm Gate Value by Commodity Group: 2006

## Grady Co. Total Value = \$146,629,727



# Components of Gross Property Tax Digest: 2006

## Grady Co. Gross Digest (40% Value) = \$714,075,920



Primary data source: GA Dept. of Revenue

# County Property Tax Digest Comparisons: 2006

County	% Residential	% Agricultural	% Commercial	% Industrial	% Motor Vehicle	% Other
GRADY	44.0	28.7	10.2	4.9	1.7	4.5
BAKER	14.4	68.0	3.0	0.3	1.3	7.6
BROOKS	26.2	44.4	5.5	9.7	2.1	7.2
COLQUITT	40.8	15.6	21.1	4.4	2.7	7.4
DECATUR	34.1	20.2	15.8	15.9	1.4	6.3
MITCHELL	28.4	36.0	14.2	8.5	1.4	6.5
THOMAS	36.7	25.6	20.7	5.3	1.5	3.9
Avg. GA Co.	41.9	22.5	12.8	7.6	7.4	7.7

# Millage Rates, Taxes Levied, & Sales Tax

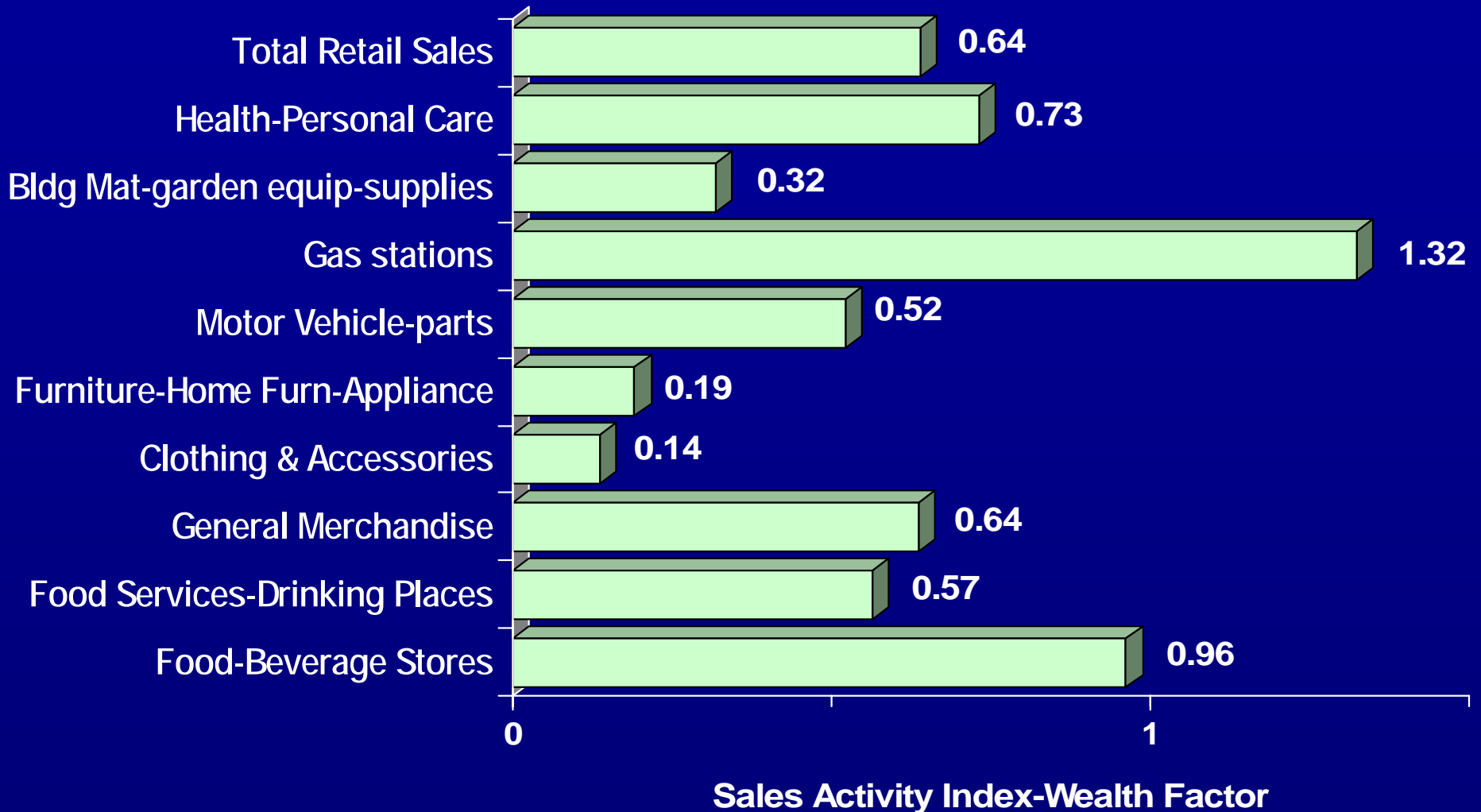
County	'06 County-wide Millage*	'06 School Millage*	'06 Taxes Levied* (\$000)	Sales Tax Rate as of 4/07	LOST Type* as of 4/07
GRADY	21.552	11.800	\$12,493	7	LSE
BAKER	26.010	14.970	\$3,196	7	LSE
BROOKS	28.790	15.230	\$9,380	7	LSE
COLQUITT	26.462	8.662	\$20,352	7	LSE
DECATUR	21.400	12.840	\$15,343	7	LSE
MITCHELL	29.823	12.484	\$15,917	7	LSE
THOMAS	23.742	13.960	\$27,951	7	LSE

\*All tax districts are assessed an additional .250 state millage. Taxes Levied, but not necessarily collected. L=Local Option Sales Tax, S=Special Purpose, E=Educational.



# Retail Sales Analysis: 2006

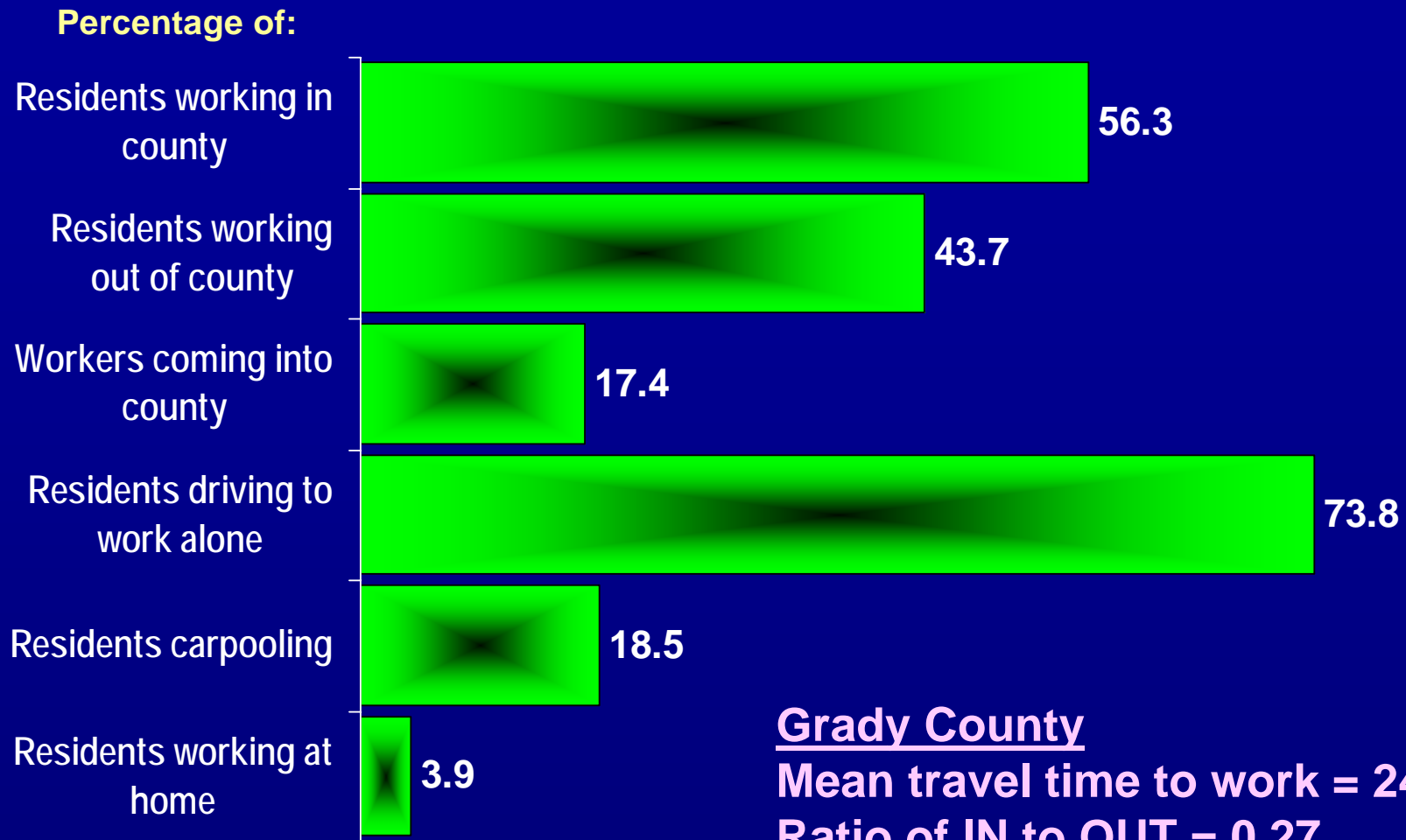
## Grady Co. Total Retail Sales = \$164,005,000



**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: “Demographics USA, County Edition, 2006;” pull factor calculations by Center for Agribusiness and Economic Development.

# Commuting to Work: 2000



**Resident workers 16+ = 9,919**

**Residents working in county = 5,580**

**Residents working out of county = 4,339**

**Total working in county = 6,758**

**Workers commuting into county = 1,178**

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