

Fayette County Community Profile



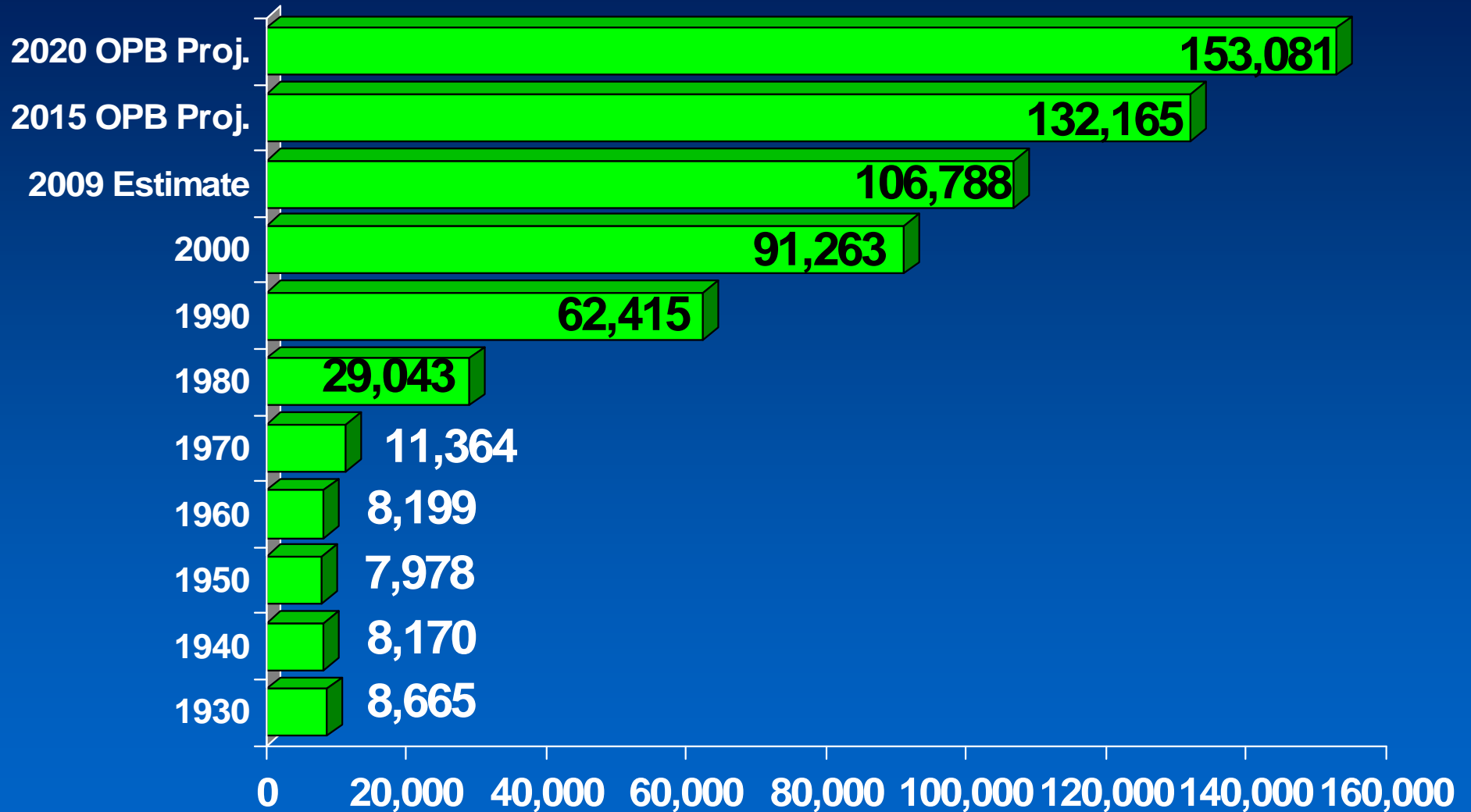
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Old Fayette County Courthouse

**51st in order of
county creation
May 15, 1821**

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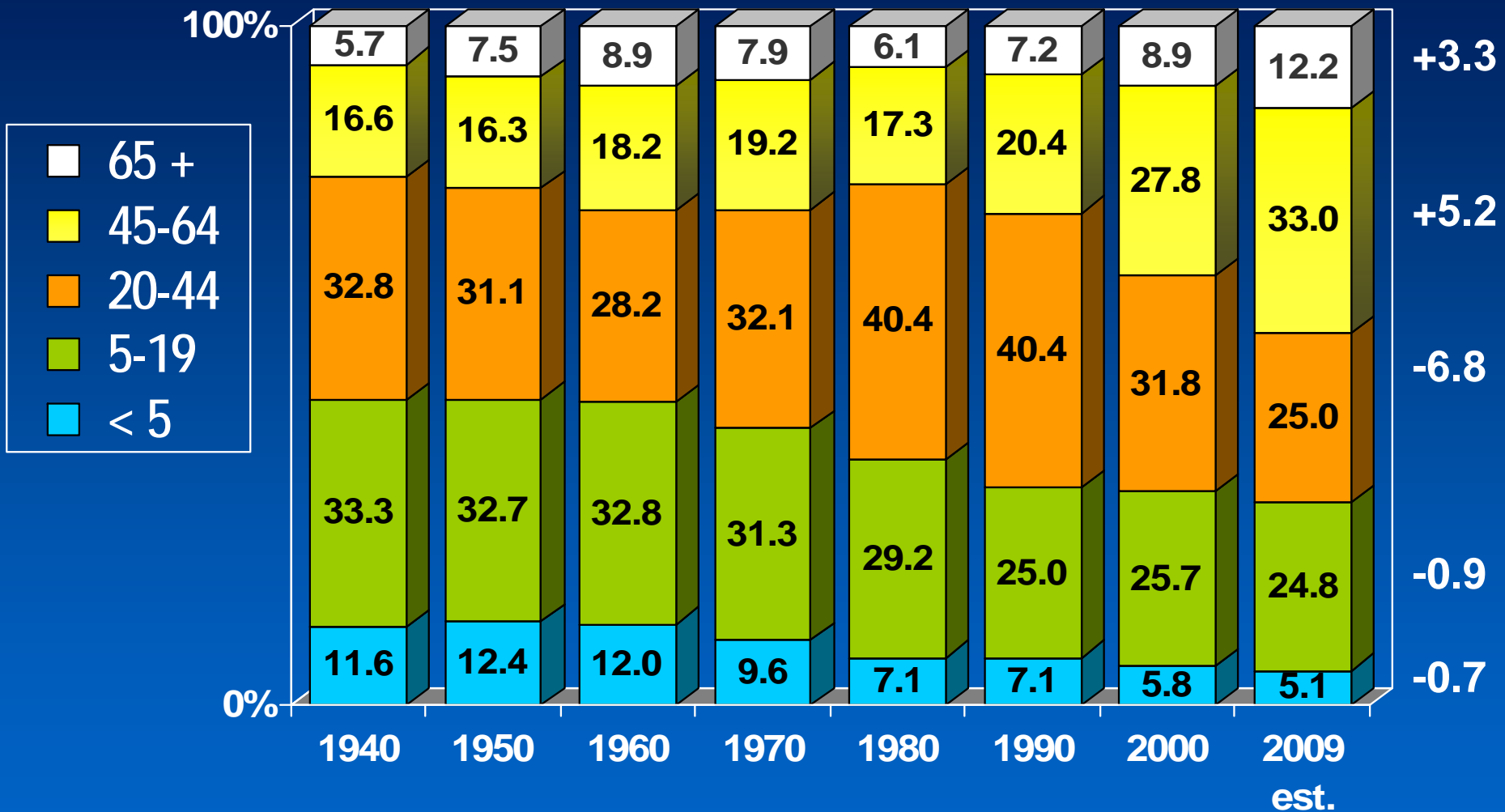
Total Population Fayette County



Primary data sources: U.S. Census Bureau, decennial censuses & estimate; GA Office of Planning & Budget projections.

Population Composition by Age Fayette County

Change in
proportion
2000-2009



2009 Estimated Median Age

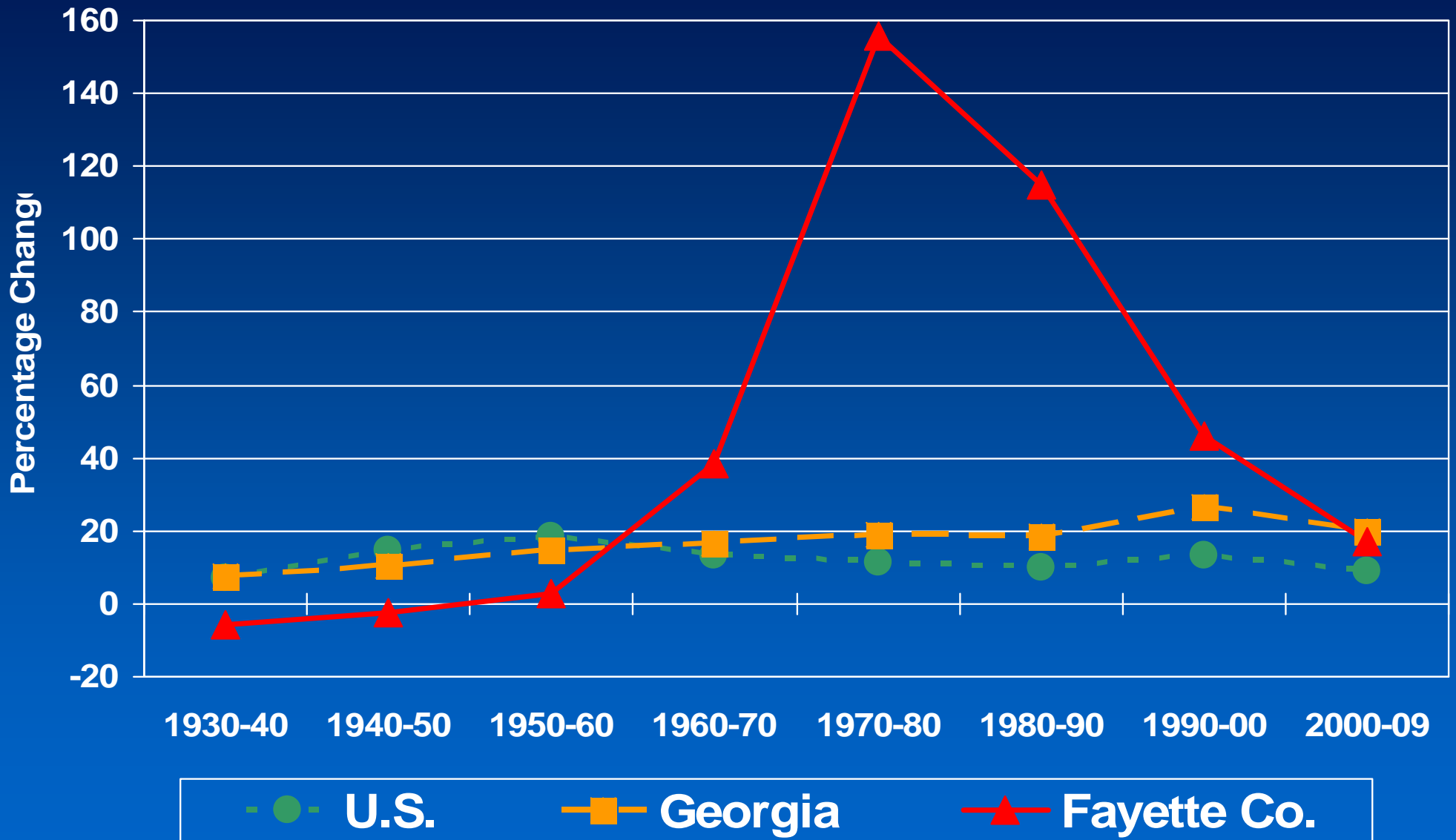
Fayette Co. = 42.2 yrs.

GA = 34.9 yrs.

2009 County Population Comparisons

County	Total	Total Rank	Density per sq.mi. land area	% Chg. 2000-09	Rank of % Chg.
FAYETTE	106,788	22	541.9	17.0	43
CLAYTON	275,772	5	1,933.6	16.6	45
COWETA	127,111	17	287.2	42.5	10
FULTON	1,033,756	1	1,955.4	26.7	24
HENRY	195,370	9	605.4	63.7	3
MERIWETHER	22,783	80	45.3	1.1	119
SPALDING	64,708	34	326.9	10.8	65

Population Change: 1930-2009



Primary data source: U.S. Census Bureau

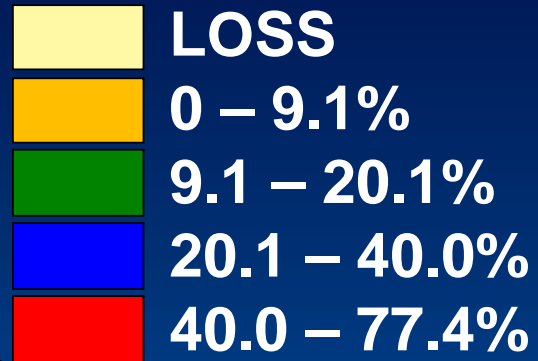
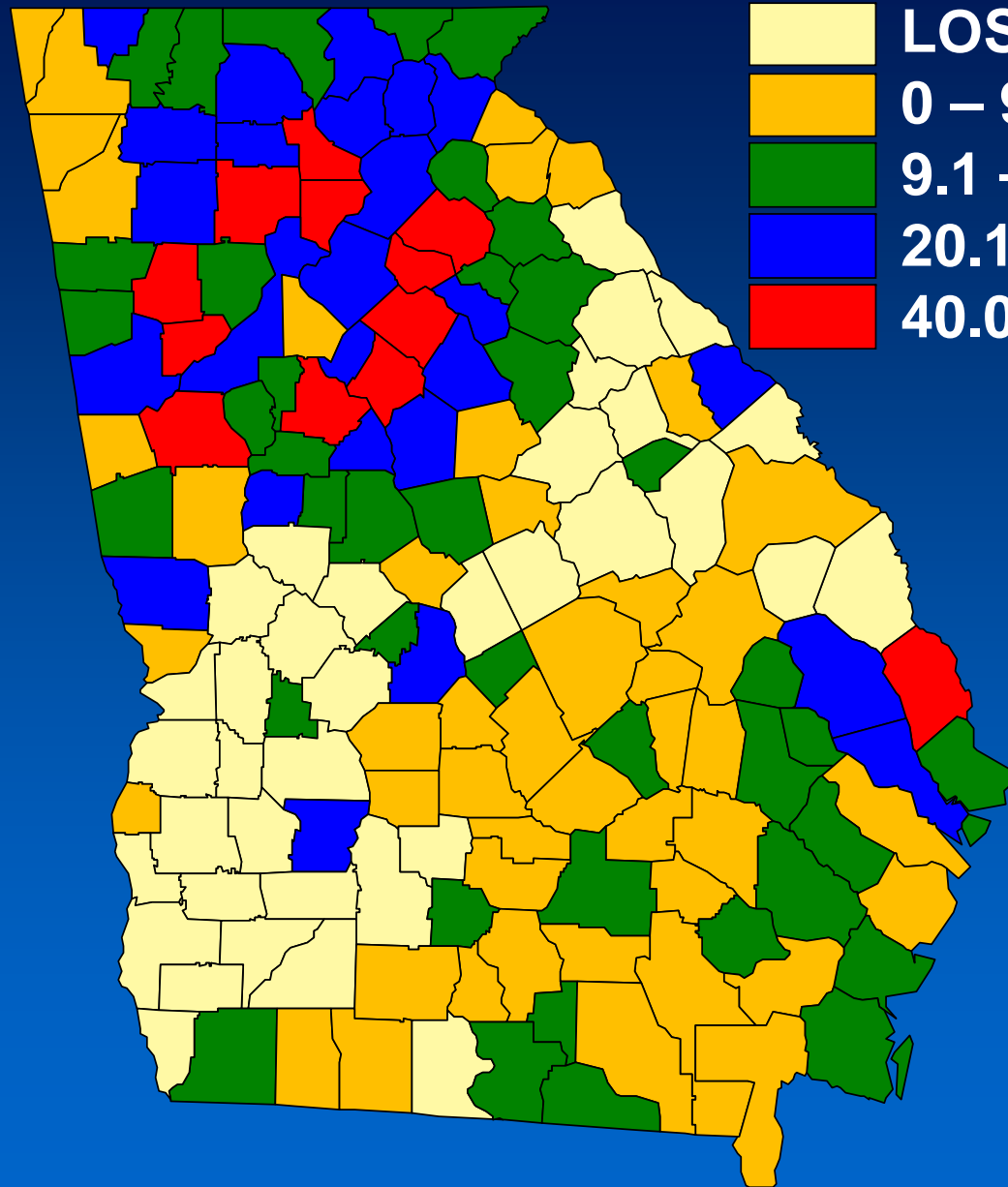
Components of Population Change

Natural Increase & Net Migration*

Area	2000-2009 Numerical Change*	2000-2009 # Natural Increase (Births-Deaths)	2000-2009 # Net Migration	2008-09 1-yr Natural Increase Rate	2008-09 1 yr Net Migration Rate
FAYETTE	15,525	3,190	12,844	3.3	0.6
CLAYTON	39,252	30,733	10,012	11.2	-12.2
COWETA	37,896	8,842	29,284	9.3	19.8
FULTON	217,929	69,932	44,899	8.4	11.4
HENRY	76,032	15,689	60,406	11.2	13.8
MERIWETHER	255	548	-158	1.0	-7.3
SPALDING	6,291	3,204	3,400	5.1	4.1
Avg. County	10,330	4,305	5,340	4.8	1.0
GEORGIA	1,642,430	684,445	849,133	7.8	5.5

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

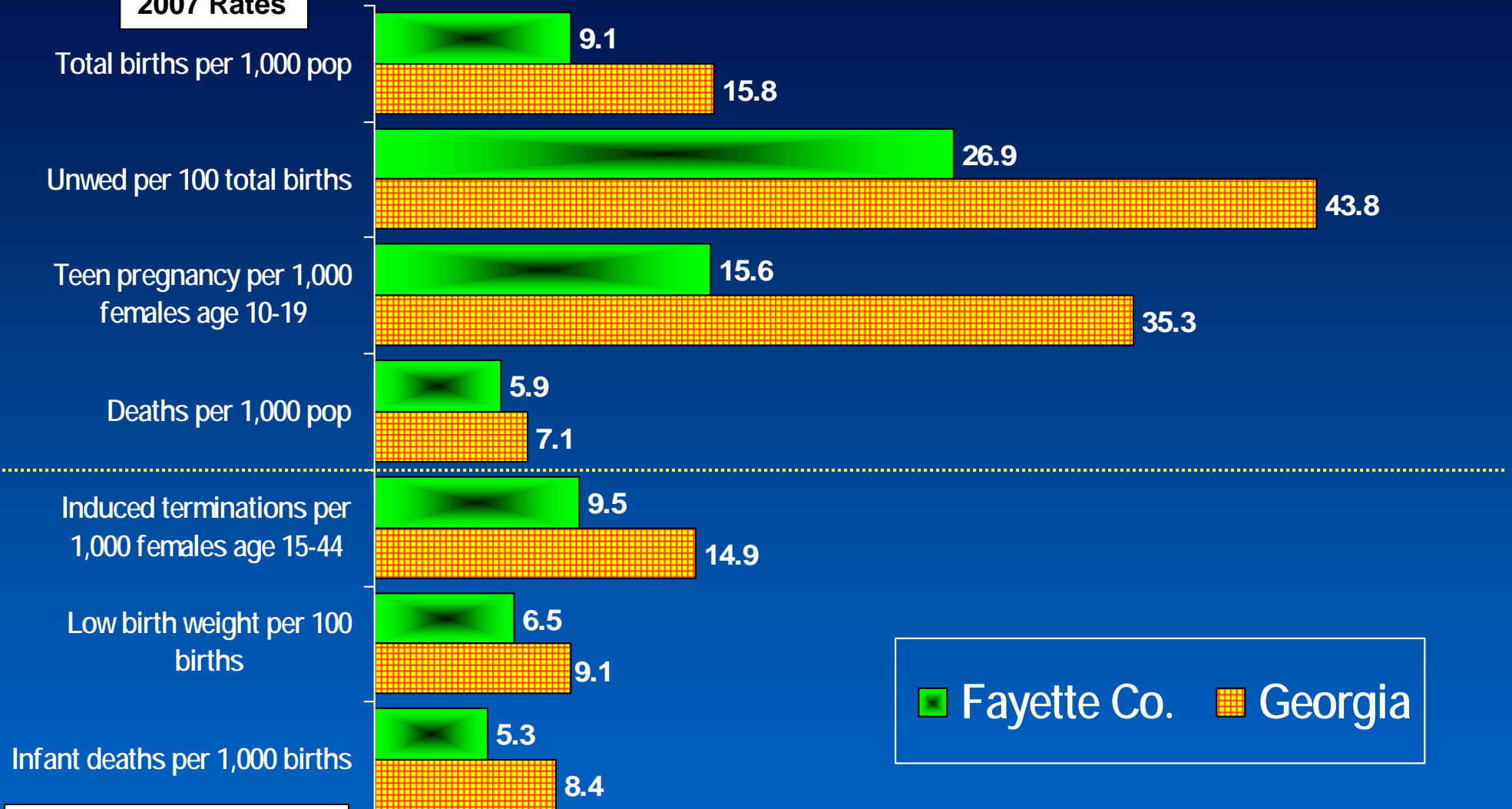
Population Change: 2000-2009



Avg. GA
County = 12.0%
GA = 20.1%
US = 9.1%

Selected Vital Statistics

2007 Rates



■ Fayette Co. ■ Georgia

10-yr. rates 1998-2007

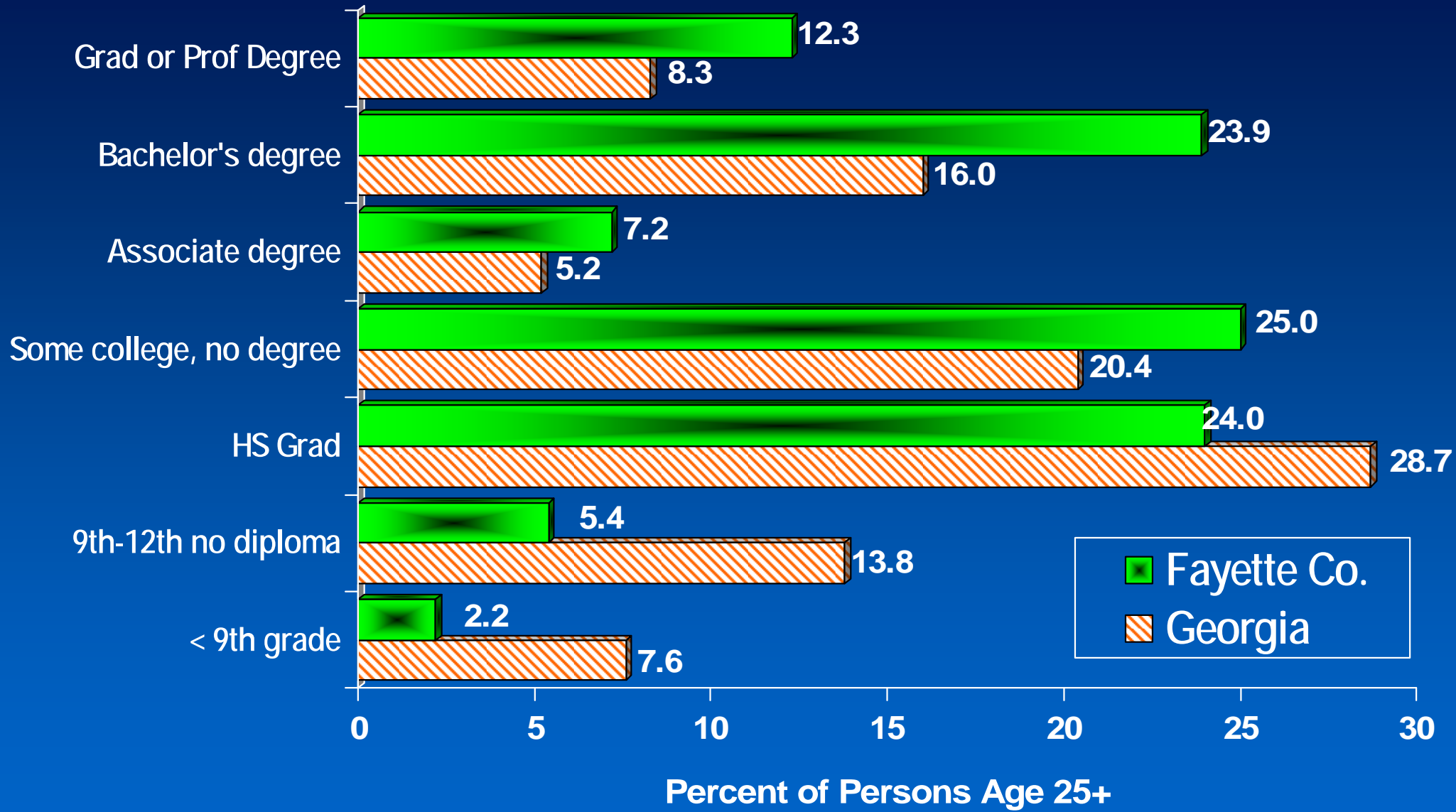
2007 Fayette Co. Natality Data

966 total births, 257 unwed births
 216 induced terminations
 125 teen pregnancies
 71 low birth weight babies

2007 Fayette Co. Mortality Data

627 total deaths
 6 infant deaths

Highest Level of Educational Attainment: 2000

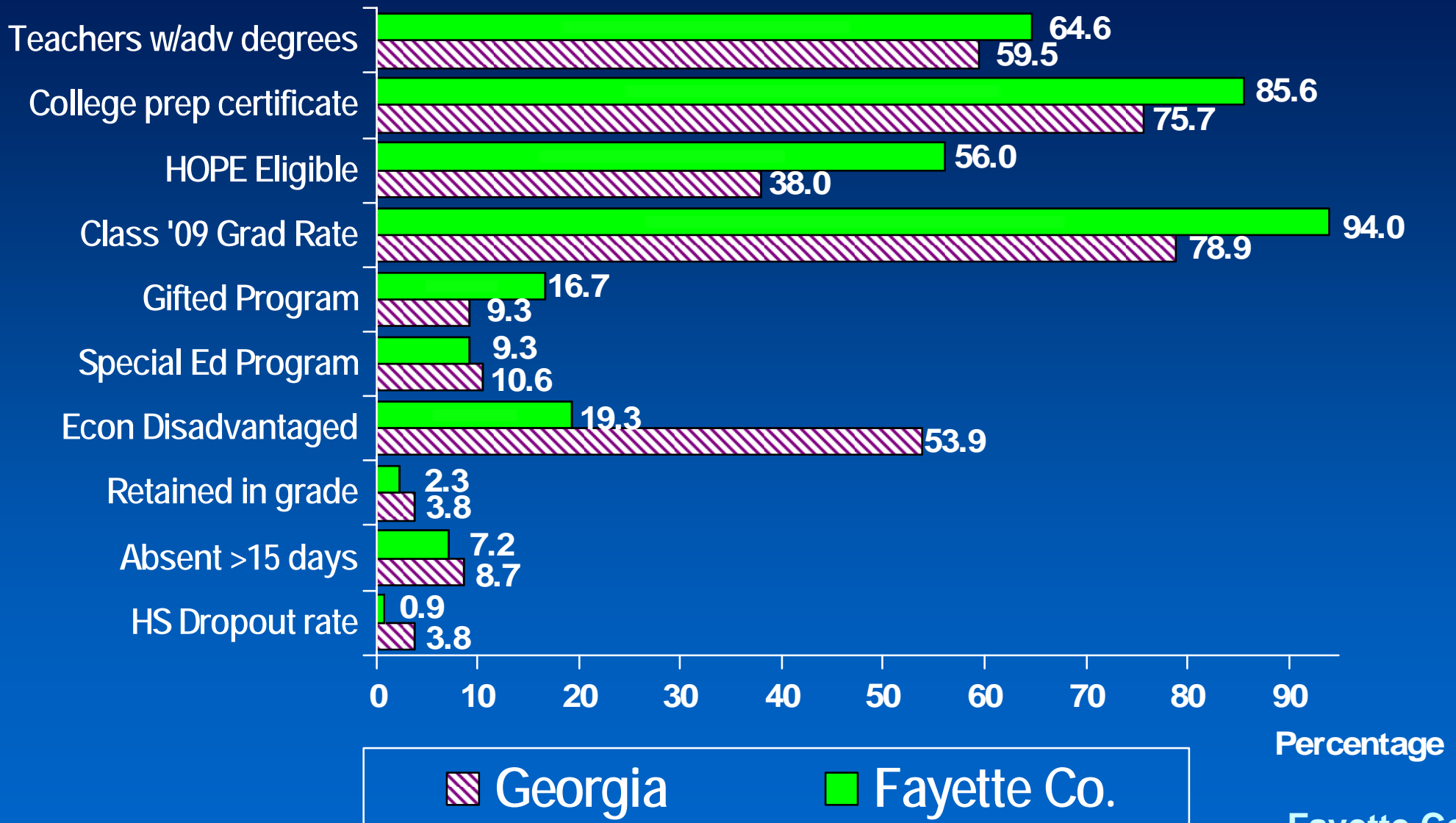


Fayette Co.
 Not completing HS = 7.6%
 With a bachelor's + degree = 36.2%

Primary data source: U.S. Census Bureau

Selected Public School Statistics

School Year 2008-09



Fayette Co.

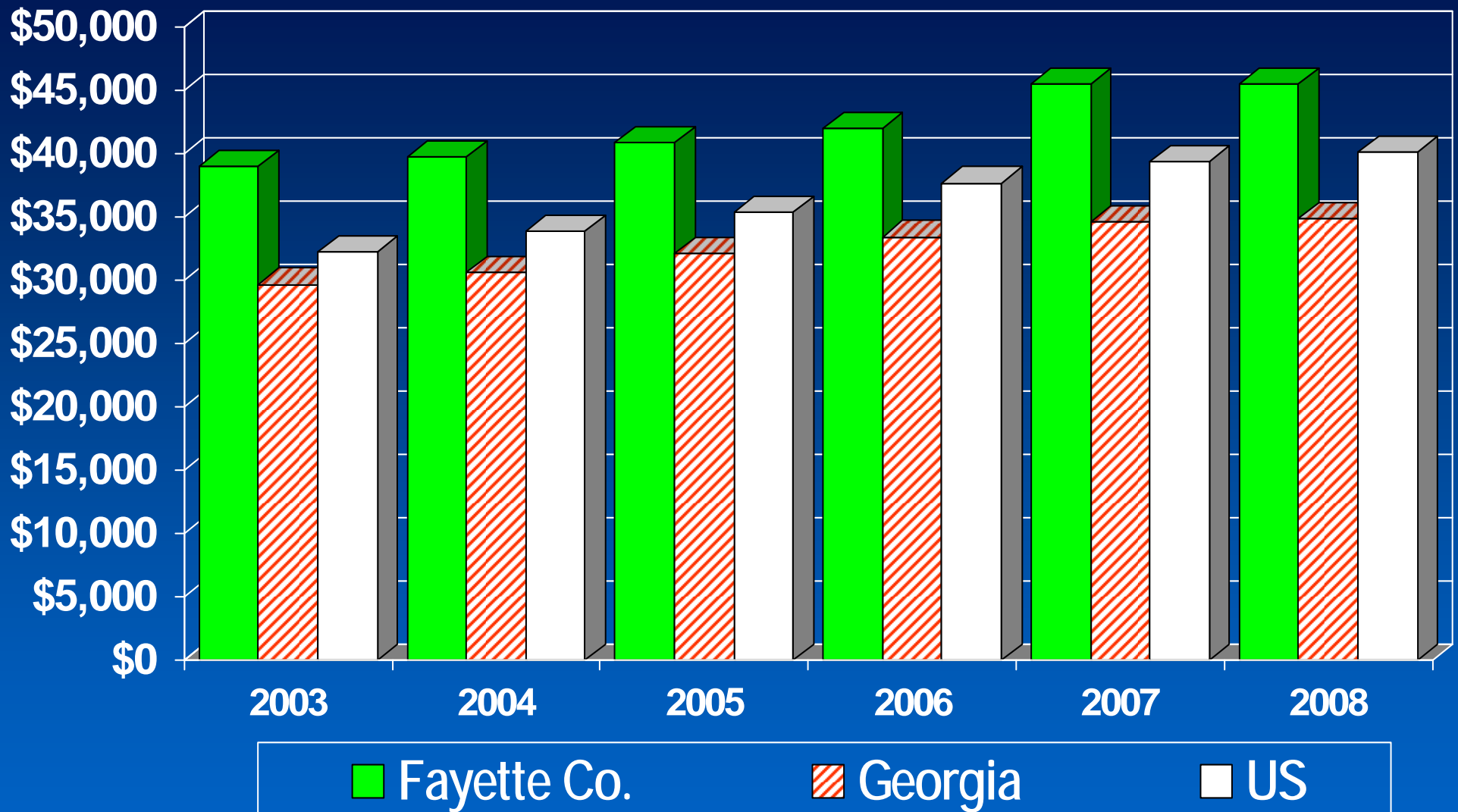
K12 enrollment = 21,889

HS dropouts = 76

General Fund Expenditures per FTE = \$8,359

Primary data source:
Governor's Office of Student Achievement

Per Capita Income: 2003-2008

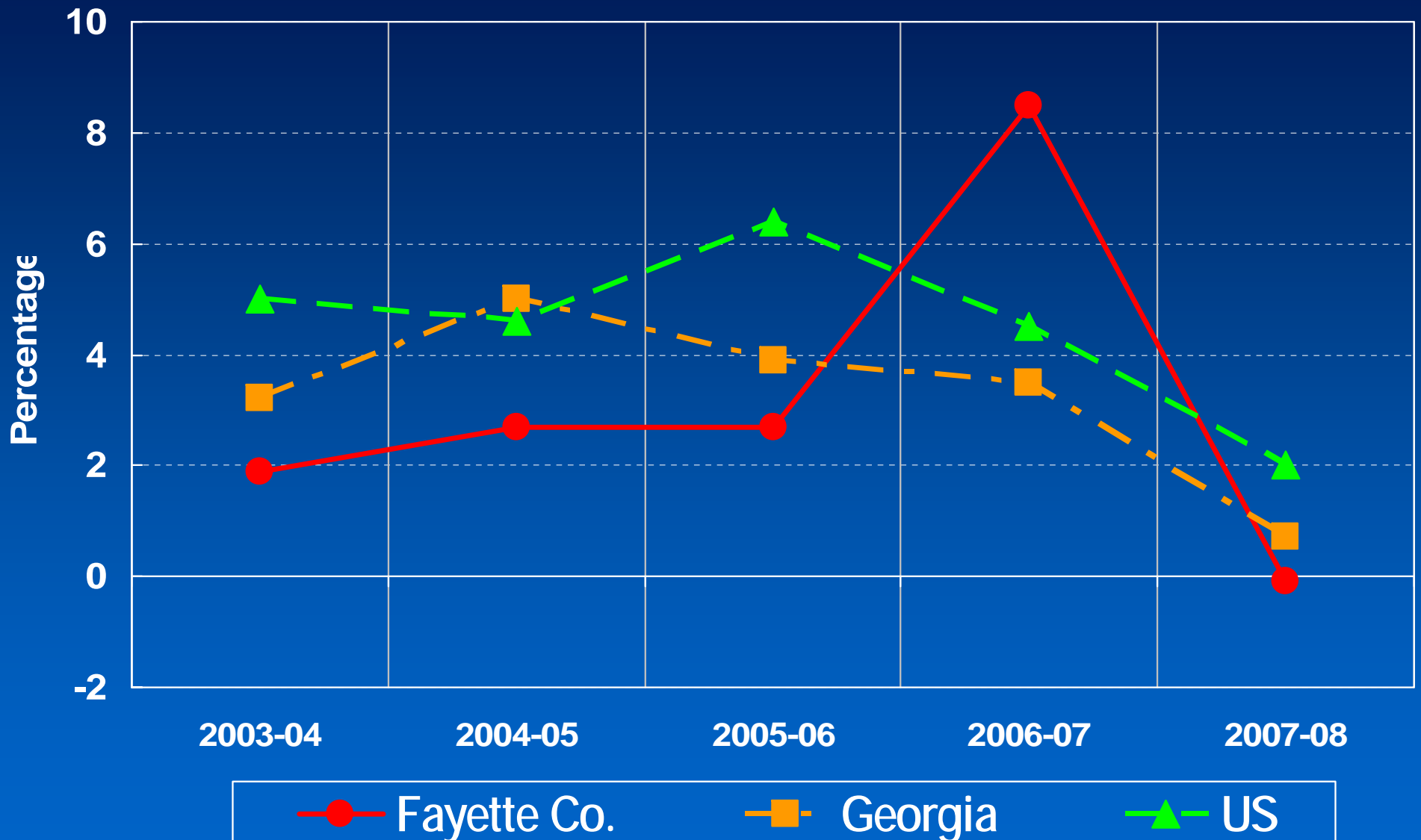


2008 PCI
Fayette Co. = \$45,474

Georgia = \$34,849
US = \$40,166

Per Capita Income: 2003-2008

Percentage Change

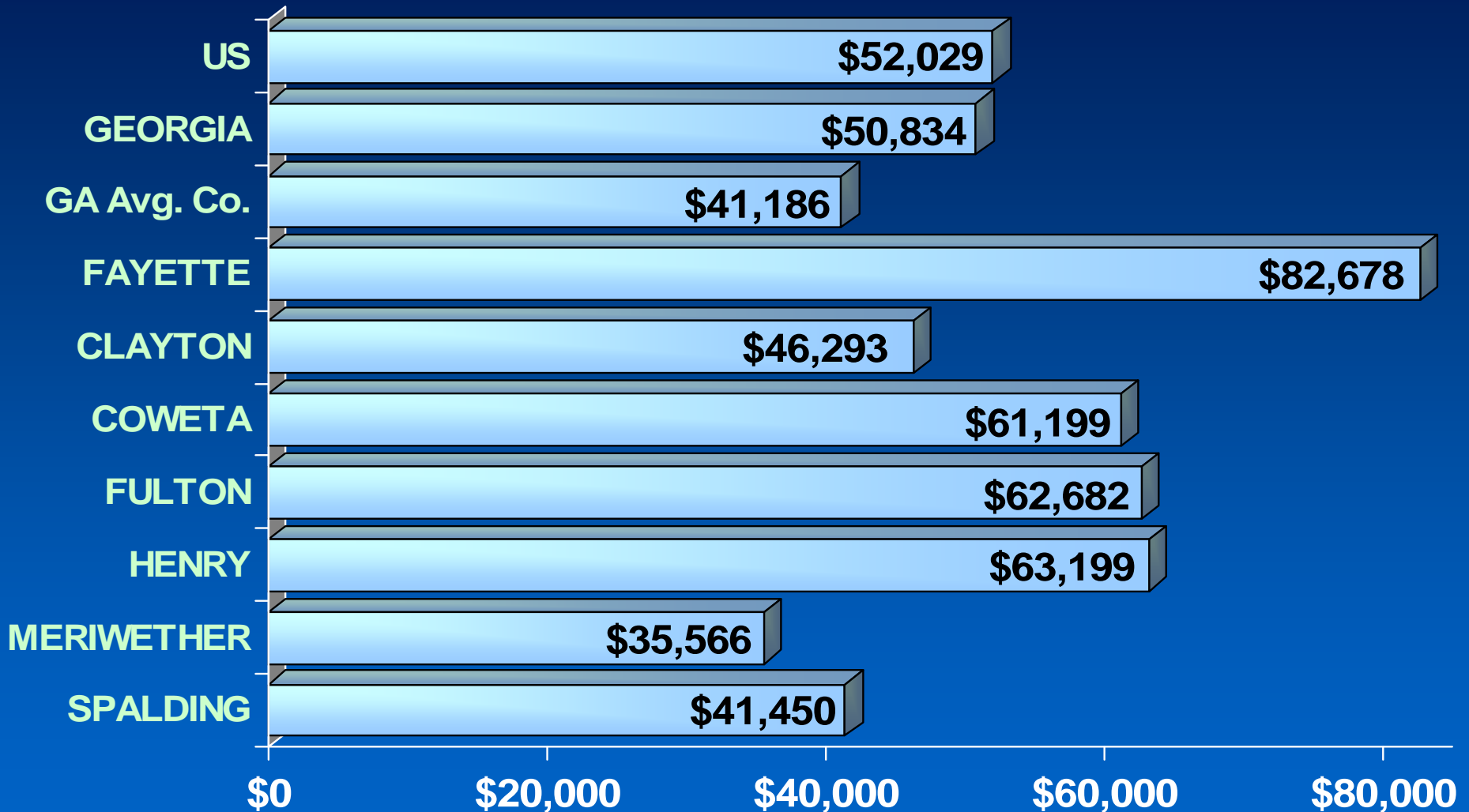


Per Capita Income: 2008

County	PCI	Rank of PCI	% PCI of GA Total	% Change in PCI 2003-2008
FAYETTE	\$45,474	3	130.5	16.5
CLAYTON	\$24,307	137	69.7	6.9
COWETA	\$31,931	28	91.6	13.5
FULTON	\$53,579	1	153.7	16.2
HENRY	\$30,278	41	86.9	10.5
MERIWETHER	\$24,846	125	71.3	17.7
SPALDING	\$28,045	76	80.5	14.4
GA Avg. Co.	\$28,543	--	81.9	20.1

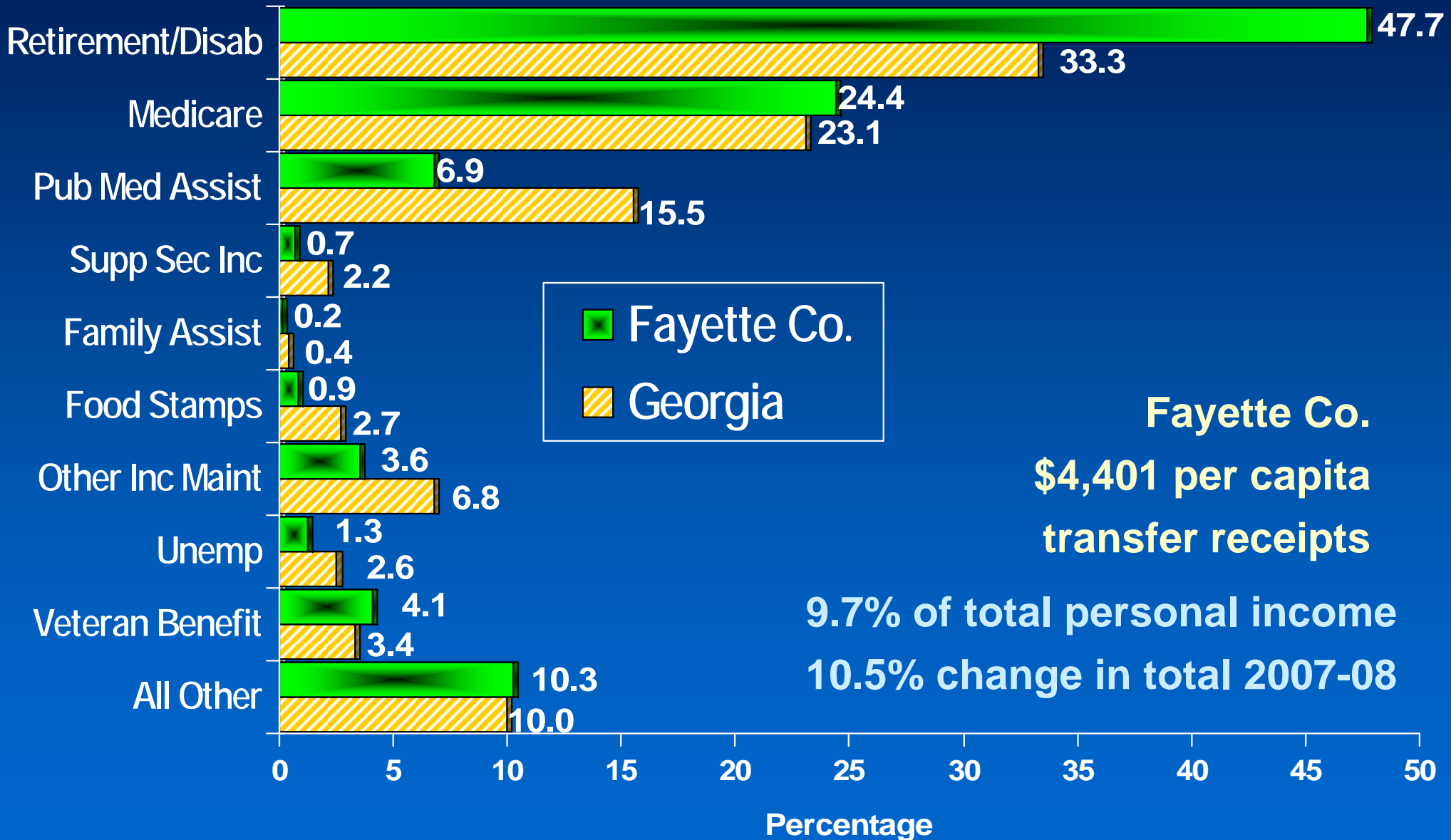
Median Household Income

2008 Model-Based Estimates



Transfer Receipts: 2008

Fayette Co. Total = \$468,224,000



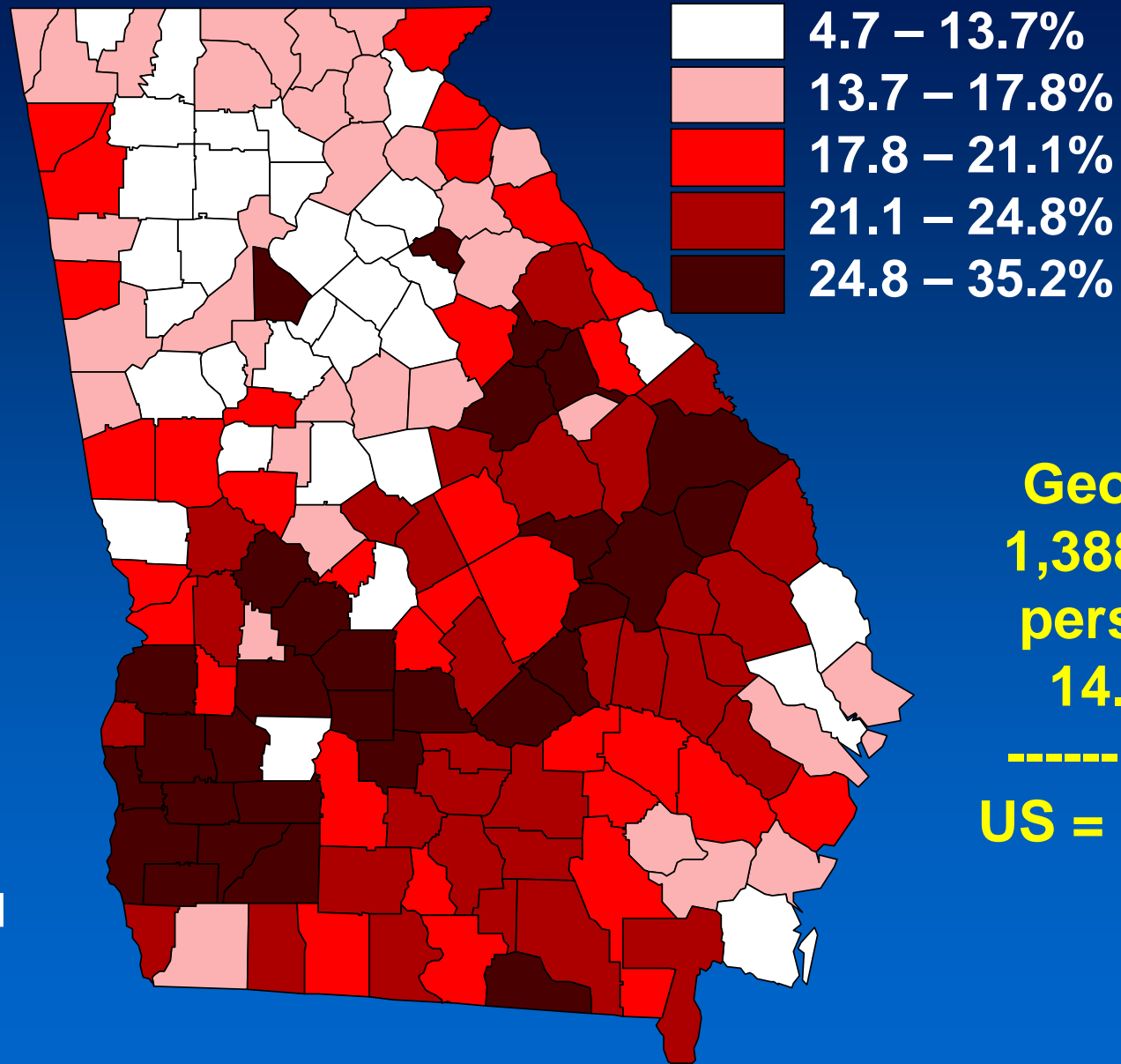
Persons Living Below Poverty Level

2008 Model-Based Estimates

County	# of Persons	% of all Persons	Rank of % (1 = lowest)
FAYETTE	4,981	4.7	1
CLAYTON	39,619	14.7	41
COWETA	11,675	9.6	10
FULTON	146,956	14.9	42
HENRY	15,418	8.1	7
MERIWETHER	4,174	18.7	77
SPALDING	11,167	17.9	68
GA Avg. Co.	8,736	19.1	--

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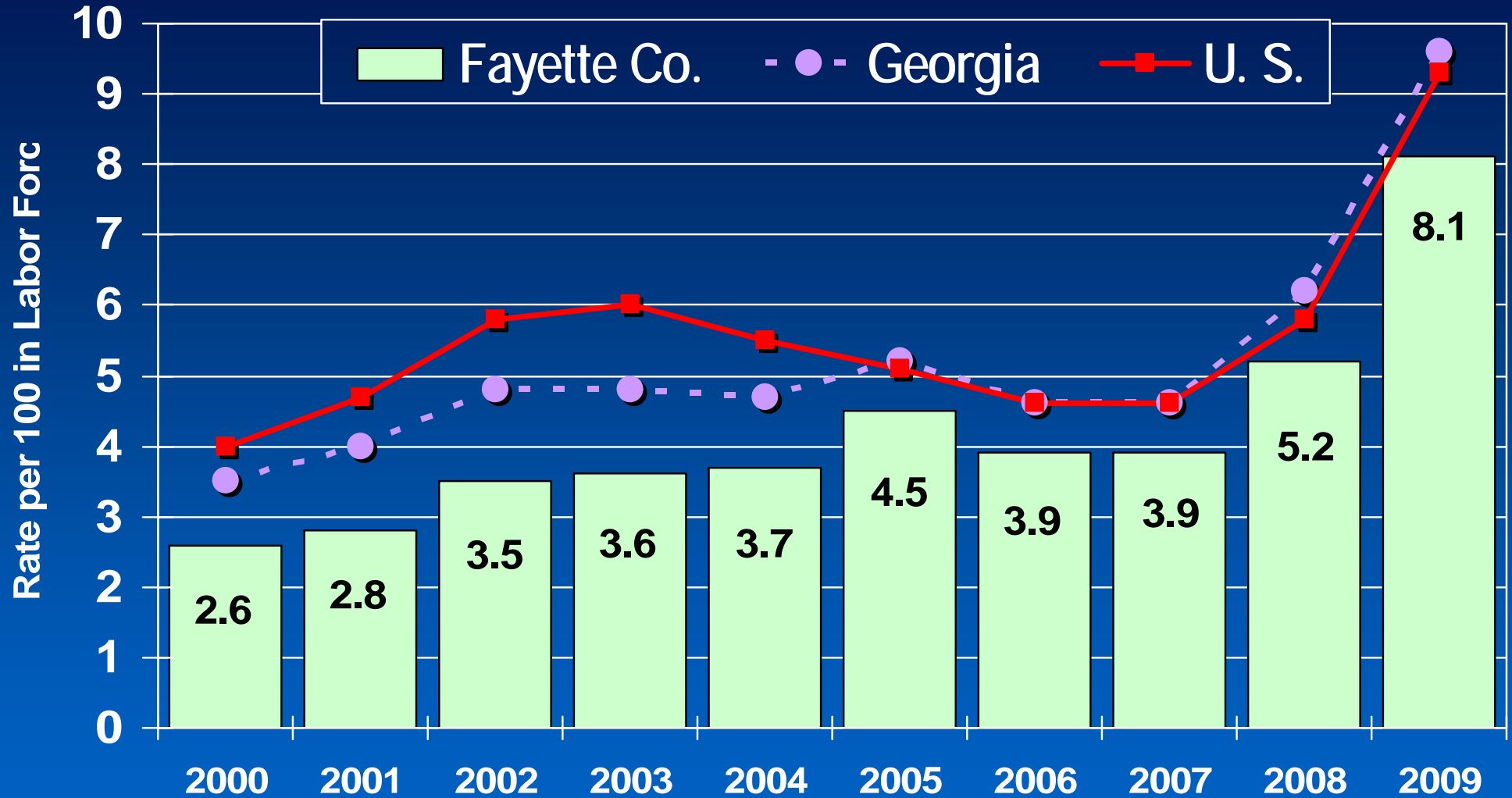
Georgia
1,388,959
persons
14.7%

US = 13.2%

Weighted
average poverty
threshold for a
family household
of 4 persons in
2008 = \$22,025

Primary data source: U.S. Census Bureau (11/09)

Unemployment Rates



2009 Rates

Fayette Co. = 8.1

GA = 9.6

US = 9.3

Avg. GA County = 10.5

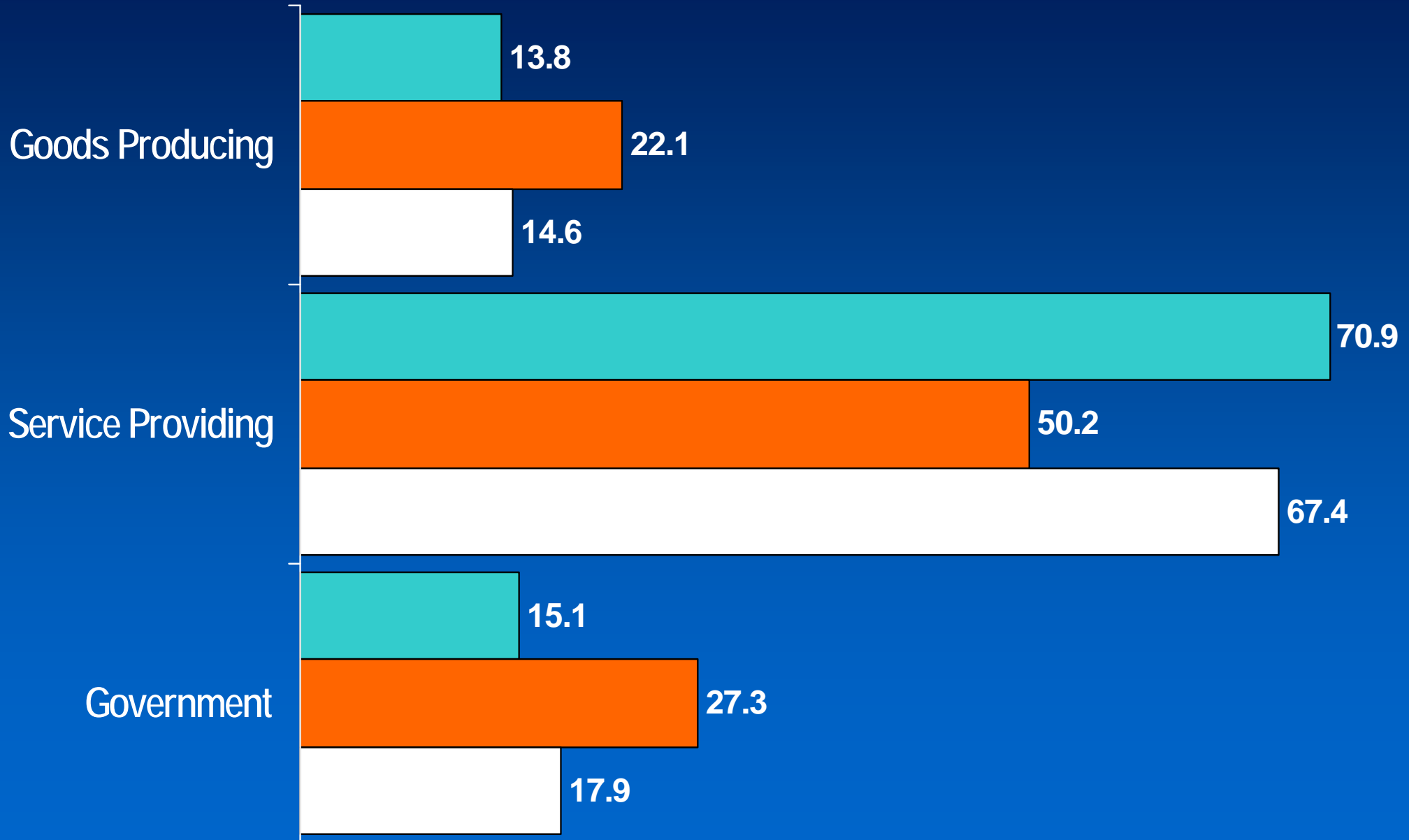
Establishments, Employment & Wages: 2009 Averages

Fayette County	Avg. # Establishments	Avg. Monthly Employment	Avg. Wage Weekly
TOTAL GOODS PRODUCING	532	5,031	\$971
Ag, forestry, fishing	5	39	\$954
Construction	397	2,350	\$883
Manufacturing	128	2,619	\$1,052
TOTAL SERVICE PROVIDING	2,609	25,884	\$658
Wholesale trade	274	2,094	\$1,090
Retail trade	388	5,955	\$427
Transportation/Warehousing	85	1,790	\$1,087
Finance/Insurance	182	968	\$1,009
Professional/Scientific/Technology	428	2,032	\$1,001
Admin/Suppt/WasteMgmt/Remediation	184	1,089	\$562
Health care/Social Services	282	4,515	\$802
Accommodations/Food Service	183	3,930	\$254
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	67	5,514	\$820
TOTAL ALL INDUSTRIES	3,341	36,498	\$727

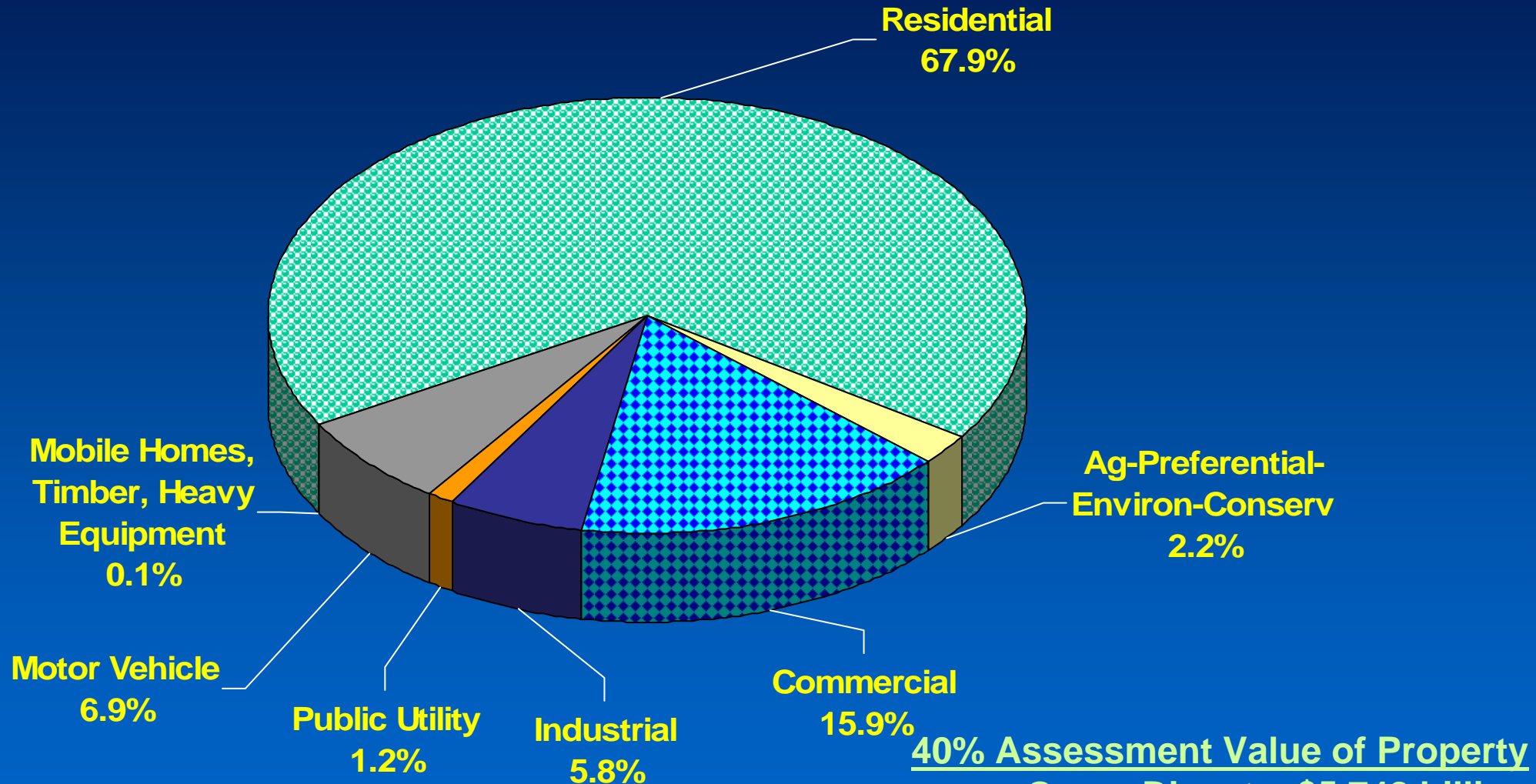
Primary data source: GA Dept. of Labor (8/10)

Employment Comparisons by Industry Group: 2009

Fayette Co. Avg. GA County Georgia



Components of 2009 Property Tax Gross Digest Fayette County



40% Assessment Value of Property

Gross Digest = \$5.748 billion

Homestead & Property Exemptions = \$290 million

Net M&O Digest = \$5.458 billion

Value of exempt property = \$365.5 million

* Timber taxed at 100% based on previous year sales

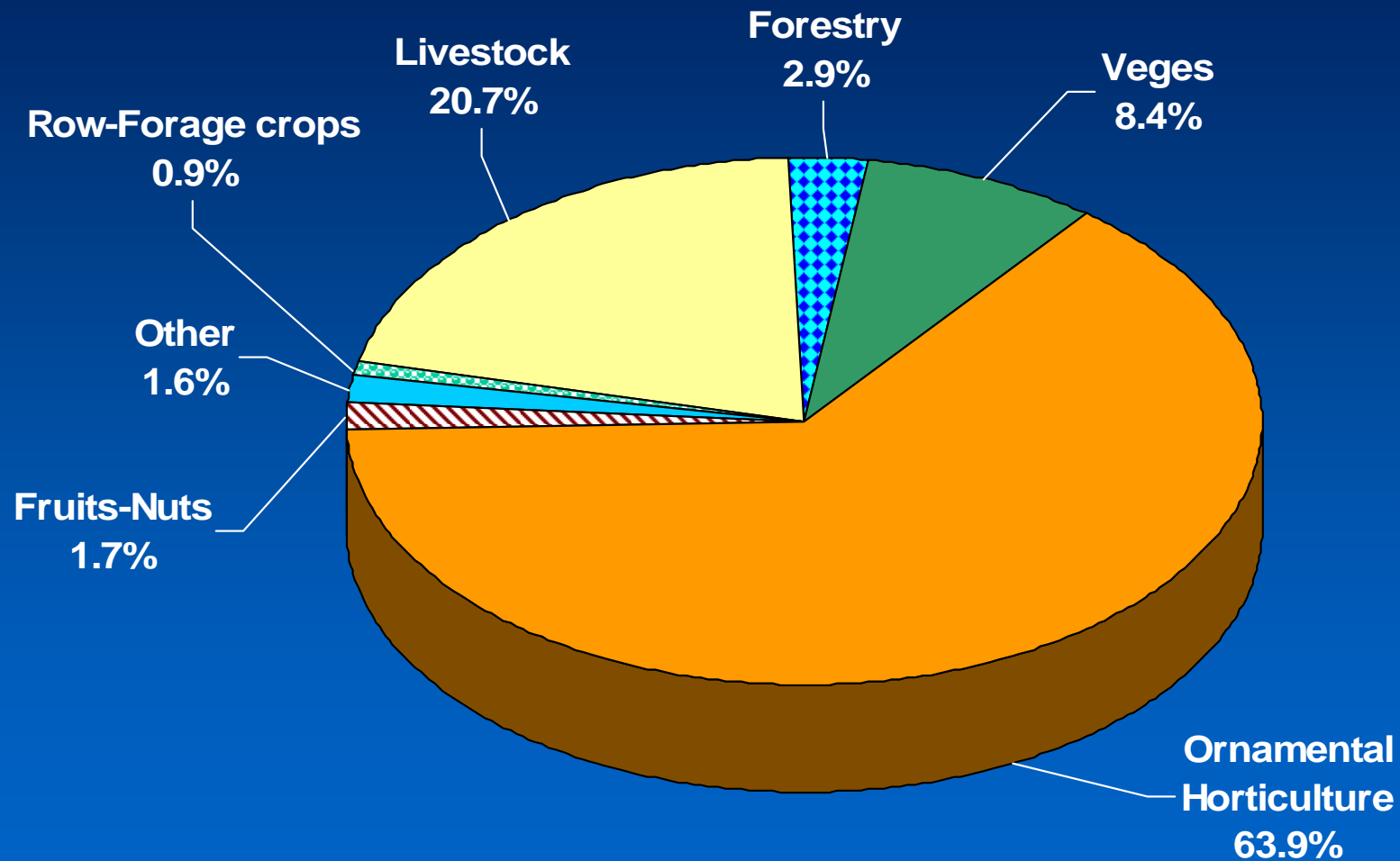
Millage Rates, Taxes Levied, & Sales Tax Rate

County	'09 County-wide Millage*	'09 School Millage*	'08 Taxes Levied* (\$000)	Sales Tax Rate as of 10/10	LOST Type* as of 10/10
FAYETTE	31.61	23.42	\$173,983	2	LE
CLAYTON	35.59	20.00	\$284,538	3	LSE
COWETA	28.74	18.59	\$119,792	3	LSE
FULTON	36.19	17.50	\$2,062,601	3	MLE
HENRY	37.28	23.06	\$257,367	3	LSE
MERIWETHER	30.47	18.00	\$17,086	3	LSE
SPALDING	37.16	18.80	\$56,247	3	LSE

*Countywide Includes .250 state millage. School includes bonds, if any. Taxes levied, but not necessarily collected. Sales Tax: 4% State not included; L=Local Option, S=Special Purpose, E=Educational, O=Other Local Option, M=MARTA. City of Atlanta=1%

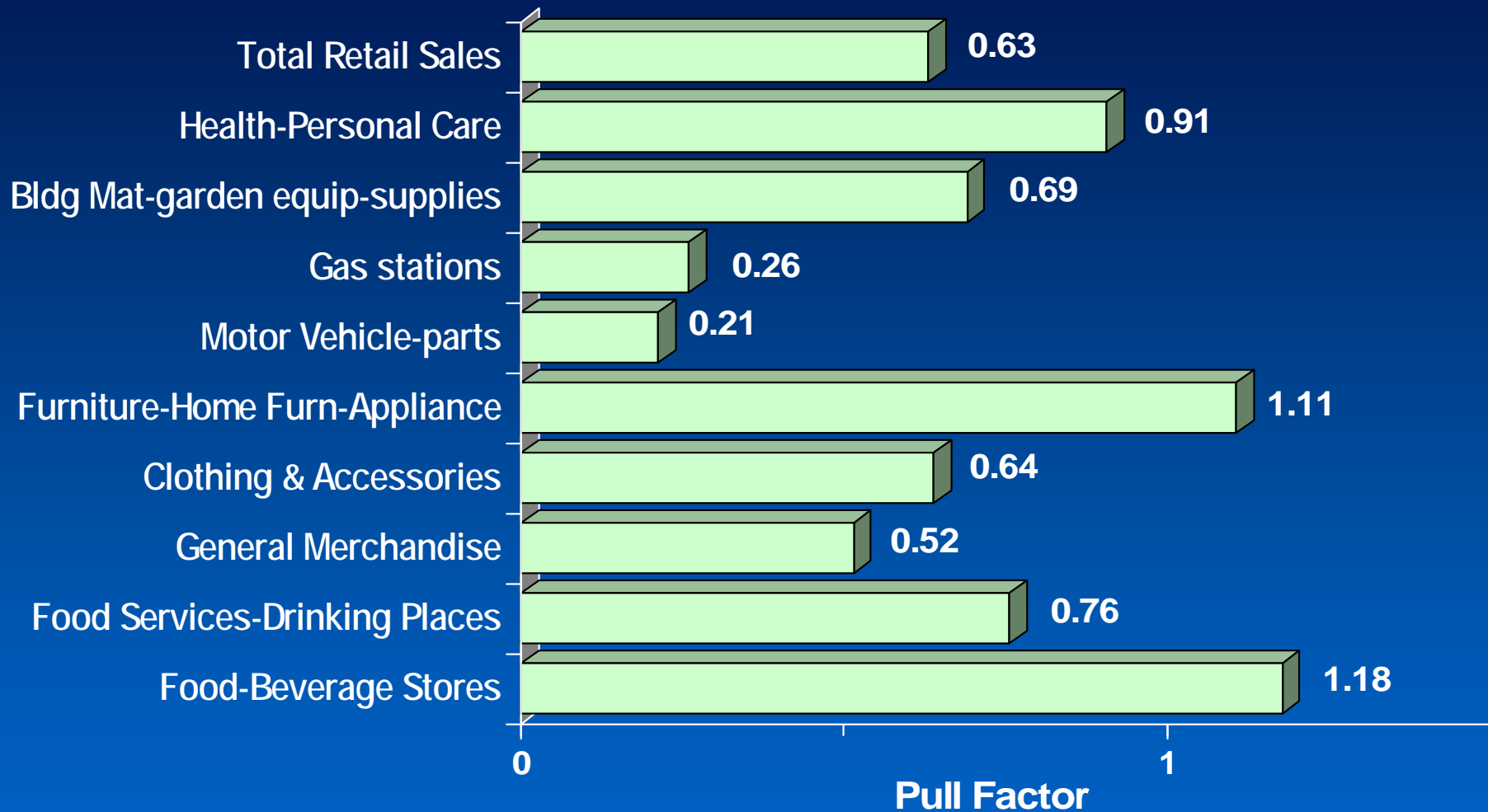
Farm Gate Value by Commodity Group: 2009

Fayette Co. Total Value = \$19,350,780



Retail Sales Analysis: 2008

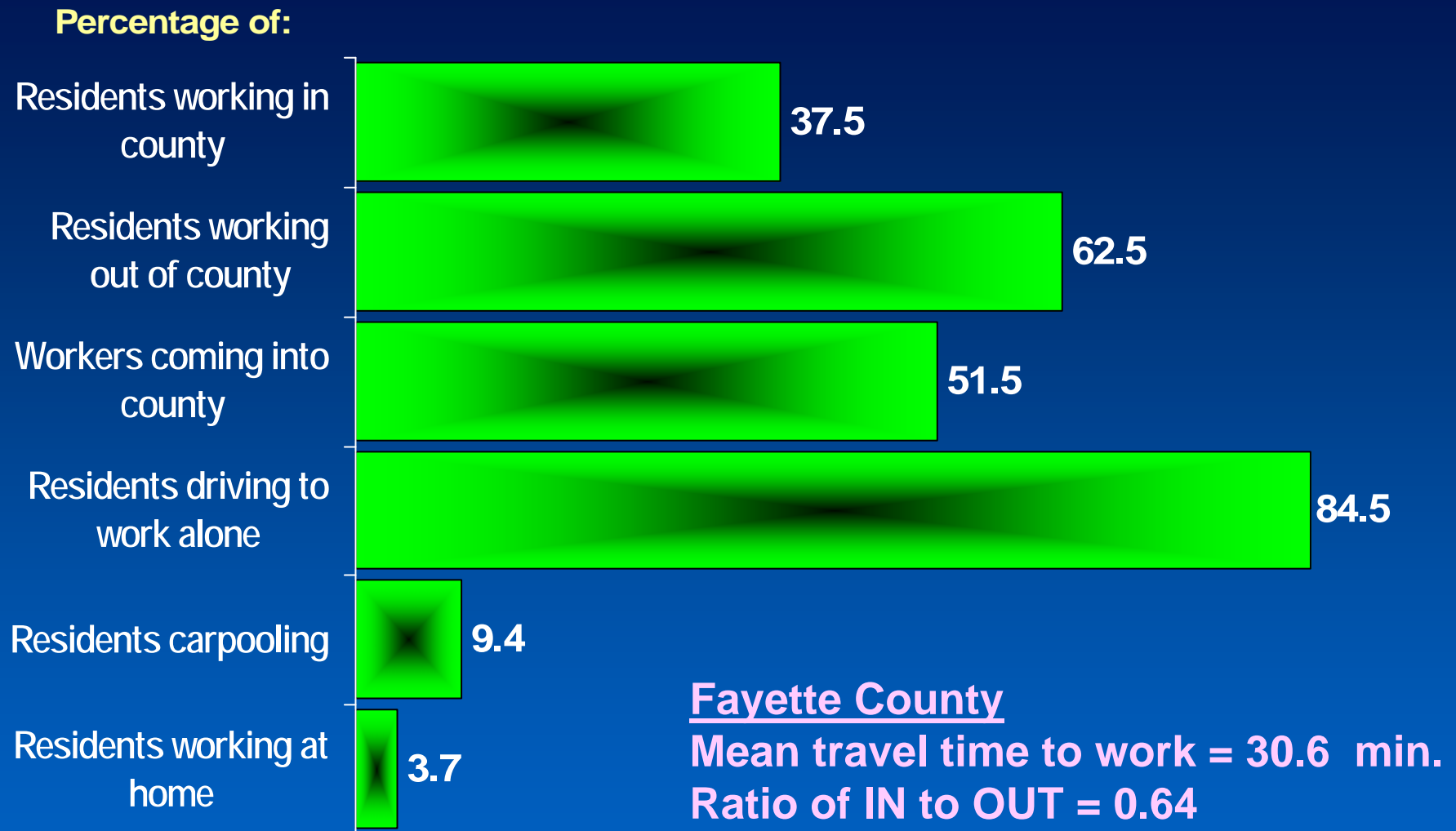
Fayette Co. Total Retail Sales = \$1.703 billion



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, 2008;” pull factor calculations by Center for Agribusiness and Economic Development.

Commuting to Work: 2000



Resident workers 16+ = 45,231

Residents working in county = 16,977

Residents working out of county = 28,254

Total working in county = 35,036

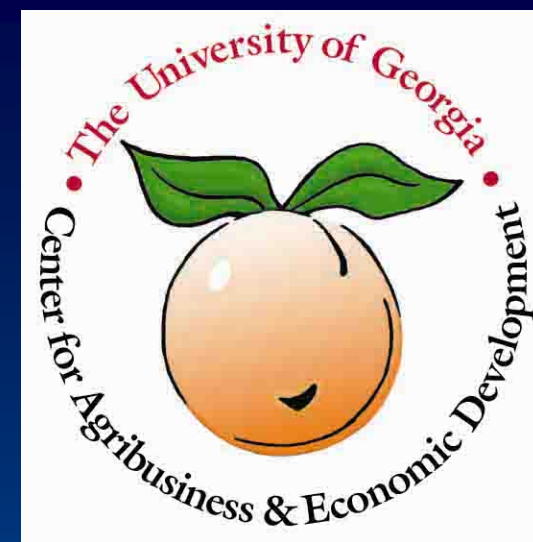
Workers commuting into county = 18,059

*This study was developed to assist
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