

Lamar County Community Profile



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**160th in order of
county creation
November 2, 1920**

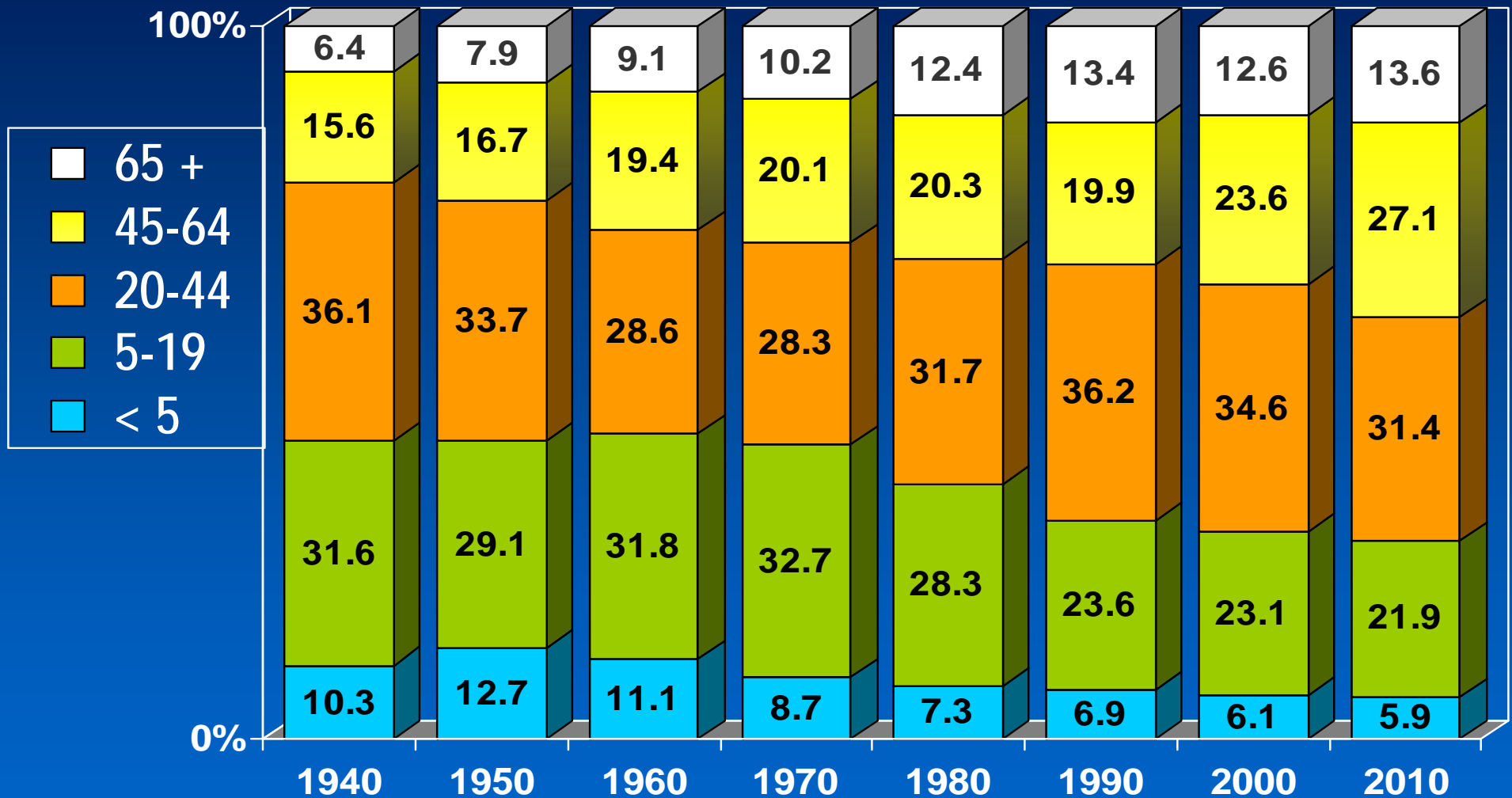
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Total Population Lamar County



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

Population Composition by Age Lamar County

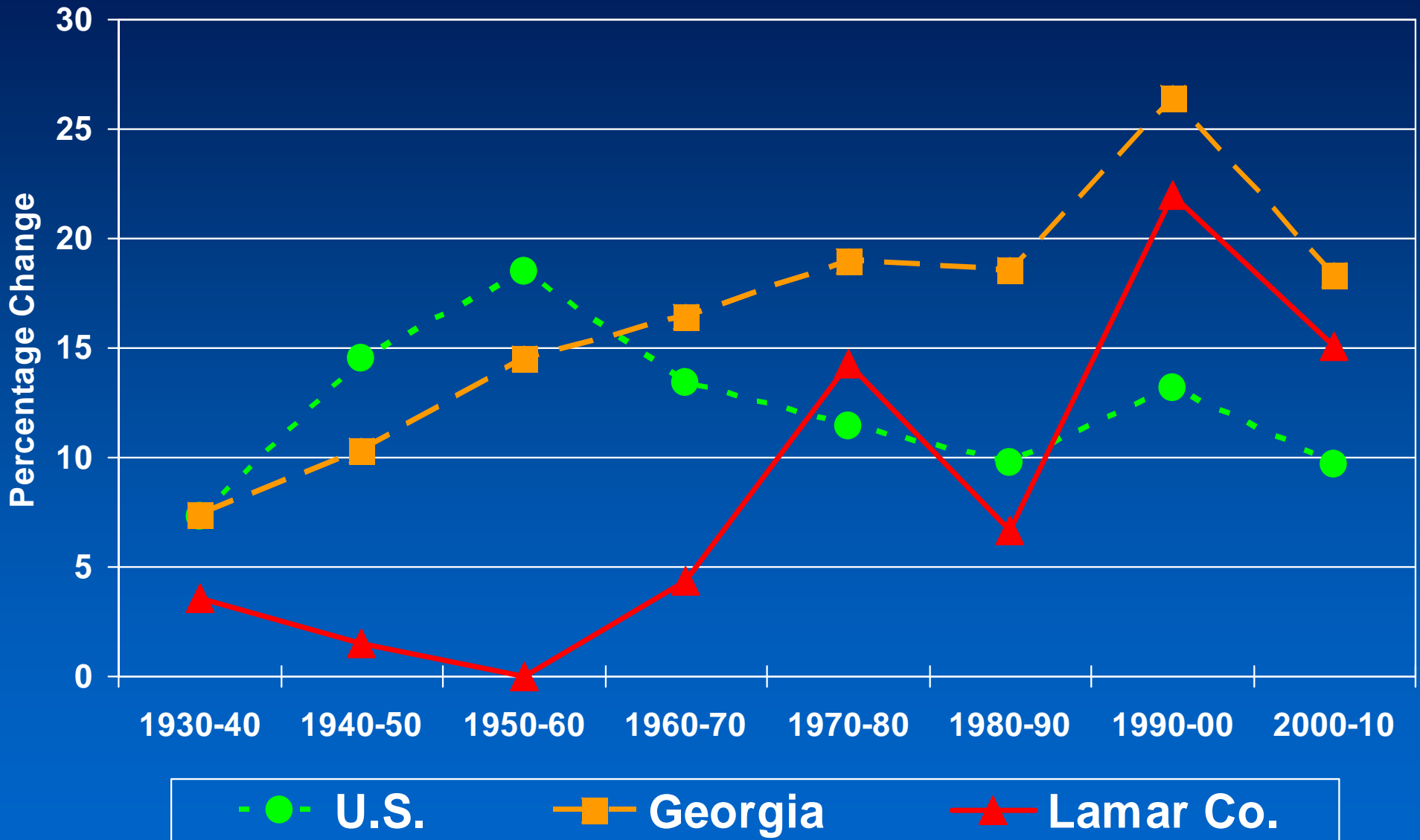


2010 Median Age Lamar Co. = 37.7 yrs. GA = 35.3 yrs.

2010 County Population Comparisons

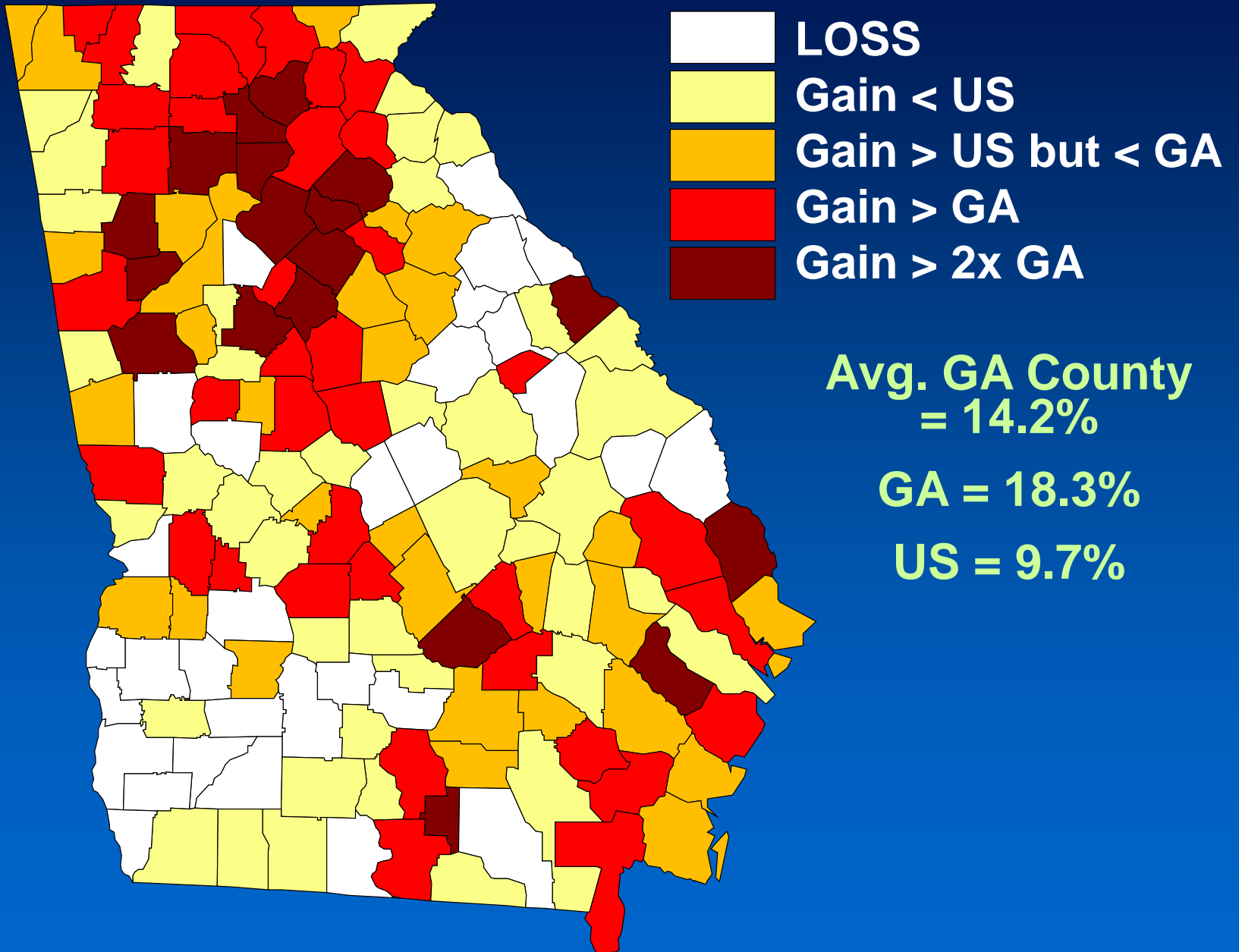
County	Total	Total Rank	Density per sq.mi. land area	% Chg. 2000-10	Rank of % Chg.
LAMAR	18,057	95	95.0	15.1	65
BUTTS	23,524	76	130.7	21.2	44
MONROE	26,637	69	64.3	21.5	42
PIKE	17,810	97	81.1	30.5	24
SPALDING	63,865	35	326.9	9.7	88
UPSON	26,630	67	84.6	-1.6	137

Population Change: 1930-2010



Primary data source: U.S. Census Bureau

Population Change: 2000-2010



Components of Population Change

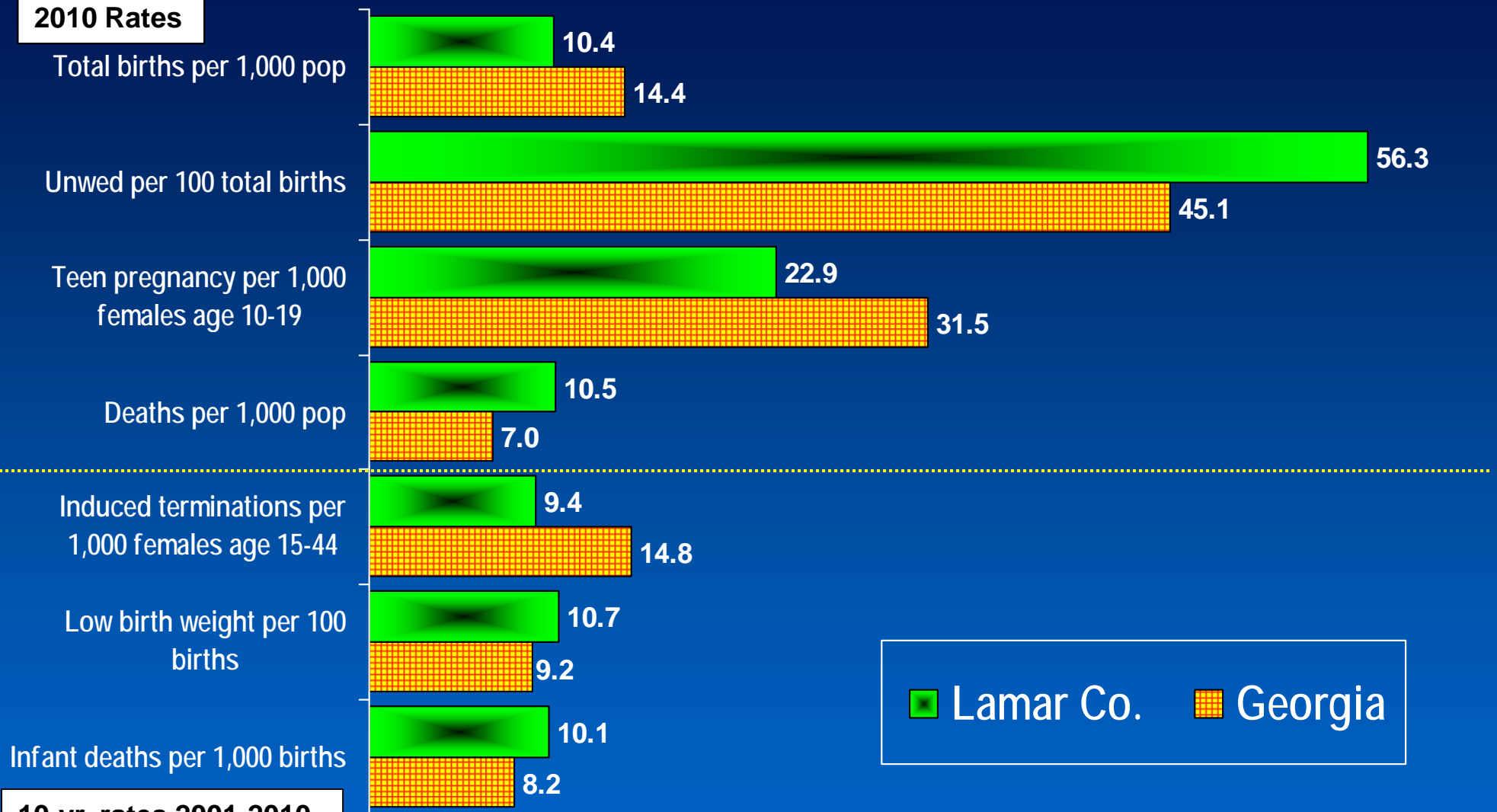
Natural Increase & Net Migration*

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
LAMAR	-260	-7	-256	0.7	-8.2
BUTTS	-131	138	-274	1.7	-4.8
MONROE	213	-13	199	-0.8	1.3
PIKE	-59	36	-114	0.8	1.5
SPALDING	-208	405	-692	2.4	-6.6
UPSON	-523	-109	-425	-2.1	-9.9
Avg. County	1,461	861	571	2.8	-3.2
GEORGIA	232,282	136,956	90,782	6.1	4.8

Primary data source: *** Numerical change includes "residual" not represented in either NI or NM.**
 U. S. Census Bureau (3/13)

Selected Vital Statistics

2010 Rates



10-yr. rates 2001-2010

2010 Lamar Co. Natality Data

190 total births, 107 unwed births
 46 induced terminations
 36 teen pregnancies
 19 low birth weight babies

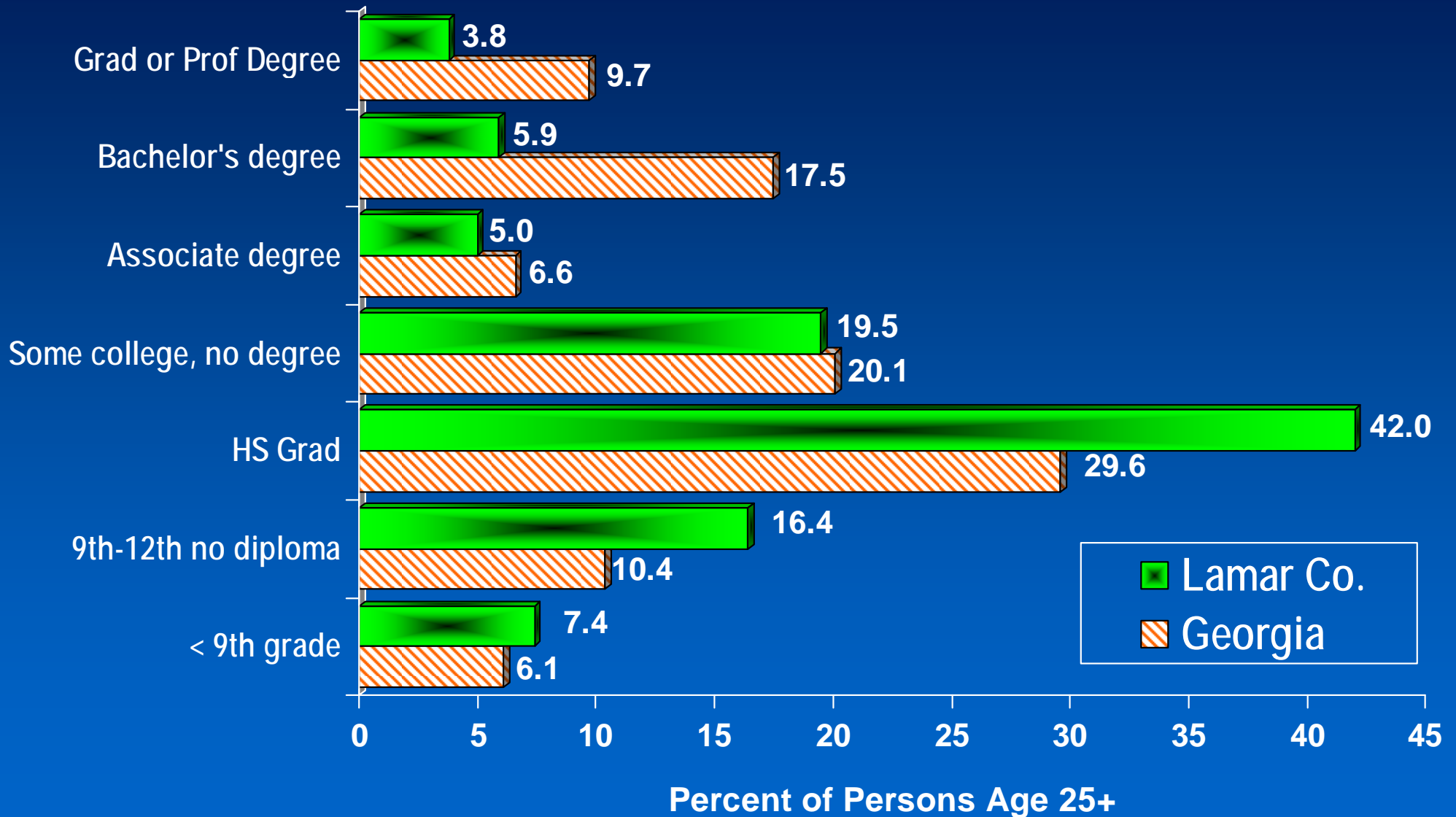
2010 Lamar Co. Mortality Data

193 total deaths
 0 infant deaths

Primary data source: GA Dept. Public Health, OASIS

Highest Level of Educational Attainment: 2006-2010

5 Yr. Avg. – American Community Survey



Lamar Co.

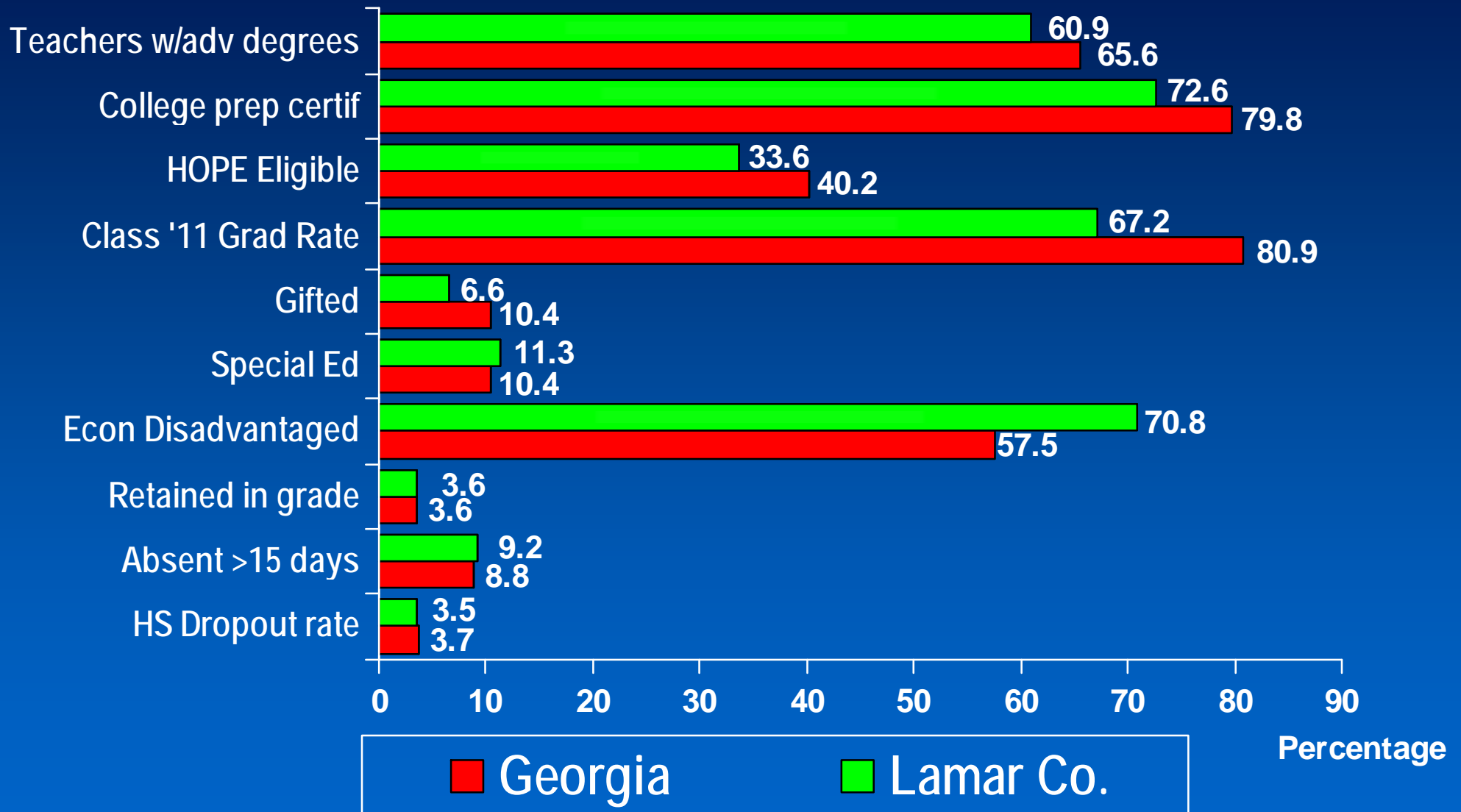
Not completing HS = 23.8%

With a bachelor's + degree = 9.7%

Primary data source: U.S. Census Bureau

Selected Public School Statistics

School Year 2010-11



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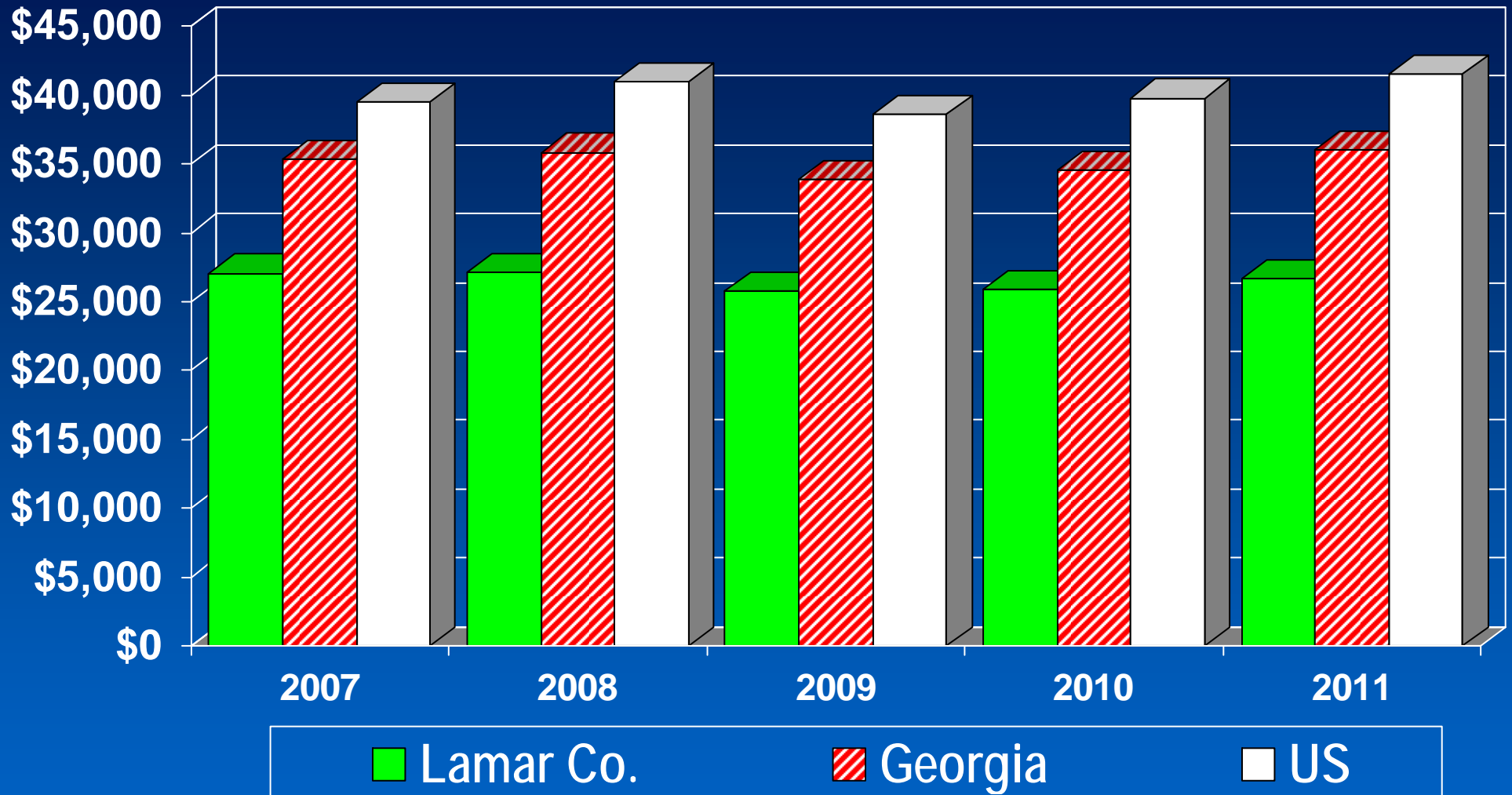
K12 enrollment = 2,449

HS dropouts = 27

General Fund Expenditures per FTE = \$7,514

Primary data source:
Governor's Office of Student Achievement

Per Capita Income: 2007-2011

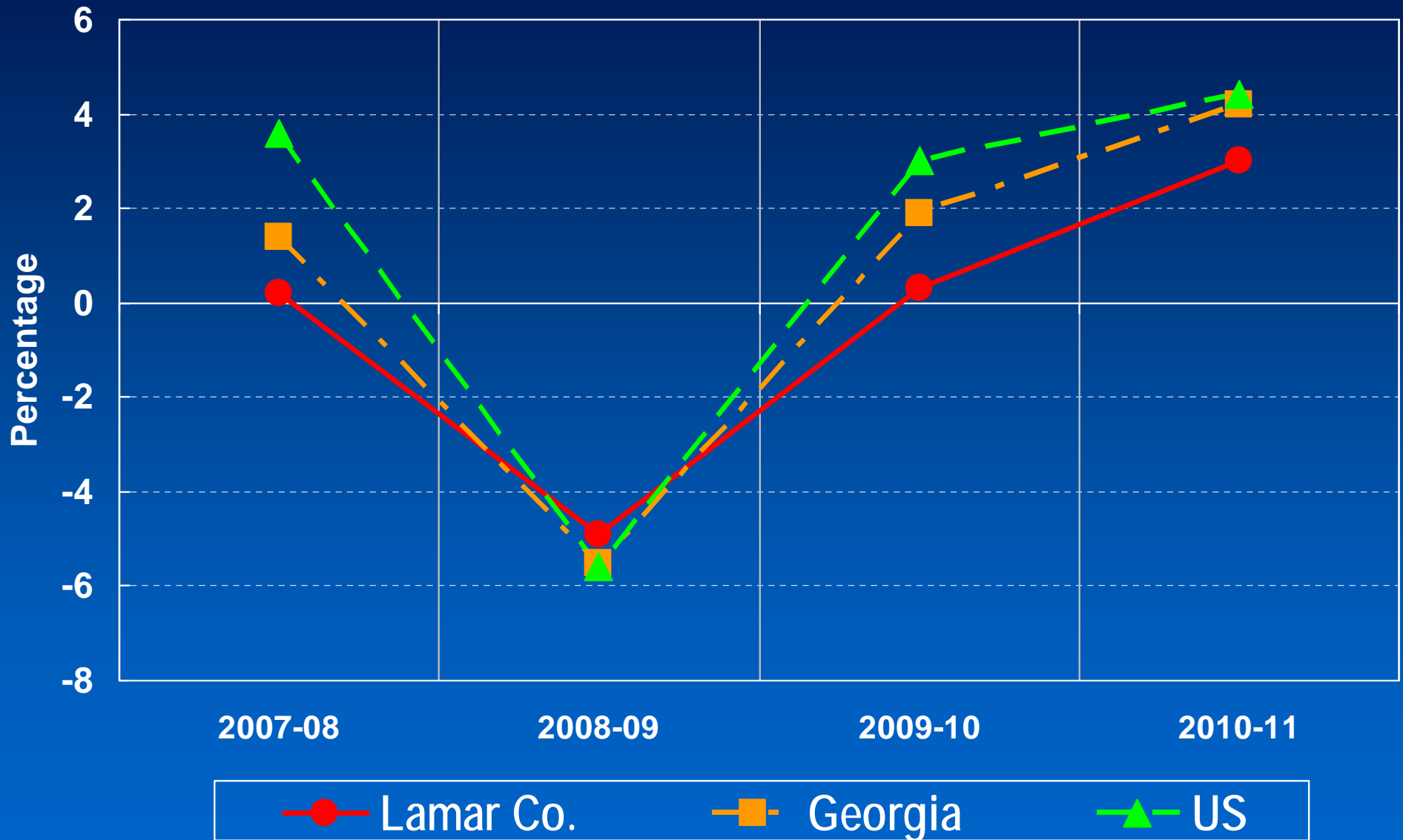


2011 PCI
Lamar Co. = \$26,630

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

Per Capita Income: 2007-2011

Percentage Change

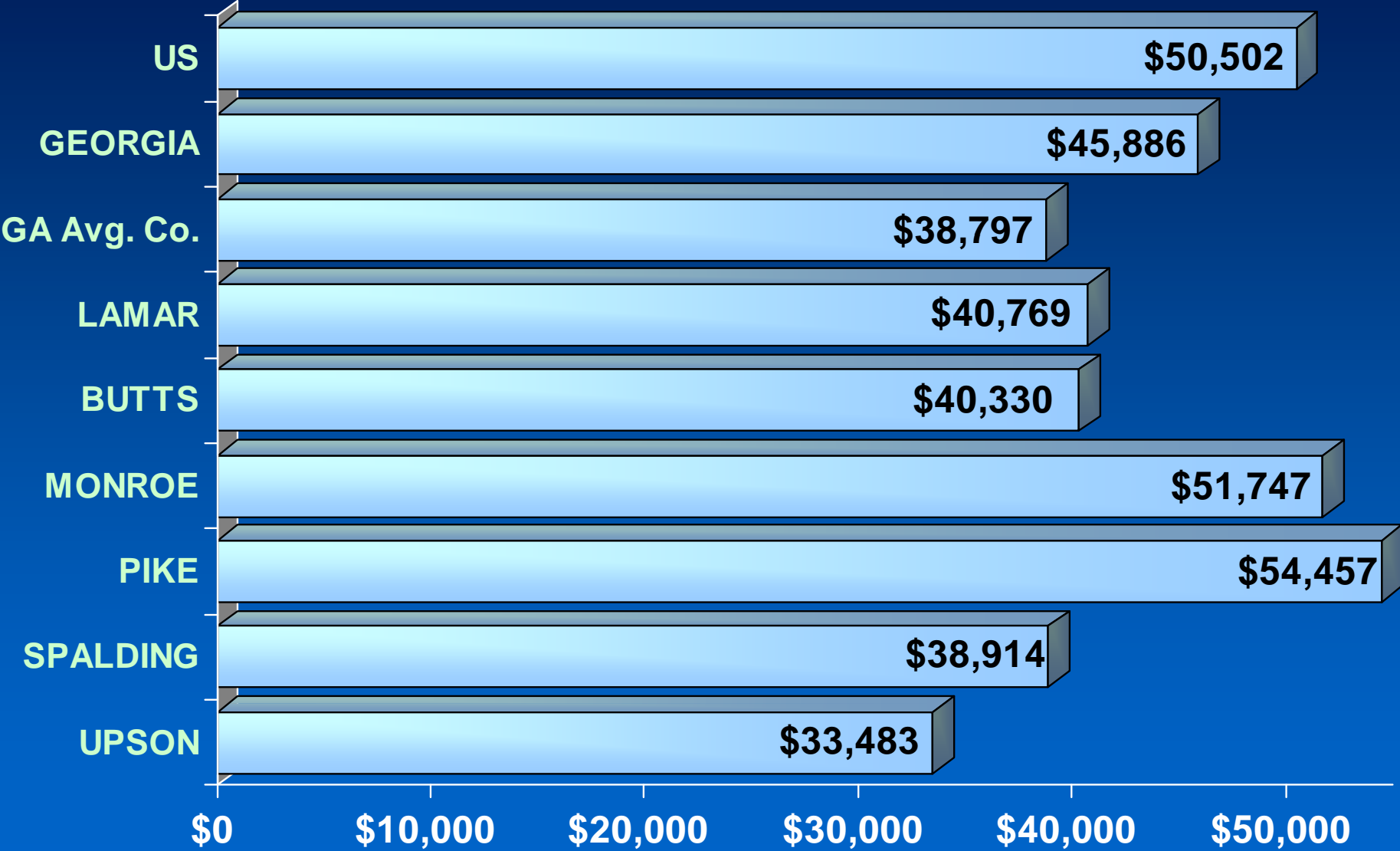


Per Capita Income: 2011

County	PCI	Rank of PCI	% PCI of GA Total	% Change in PCI 2007-2011
LAMAR	\$26,630	109	74.0	-1.6
BUTTS	\$25,336	129	70.4	-3.1
MONROE	\$39,397	14	109.5	19.3
PIKE	\$30,608	51	85.1	5.7
SPALDING	\$28,305	86	78.7	0.3
UPSON	\$27,346	100	76.0	10.2
GA Avg. Co.	\$29,704	--	82.6	7.8

Median Household Income

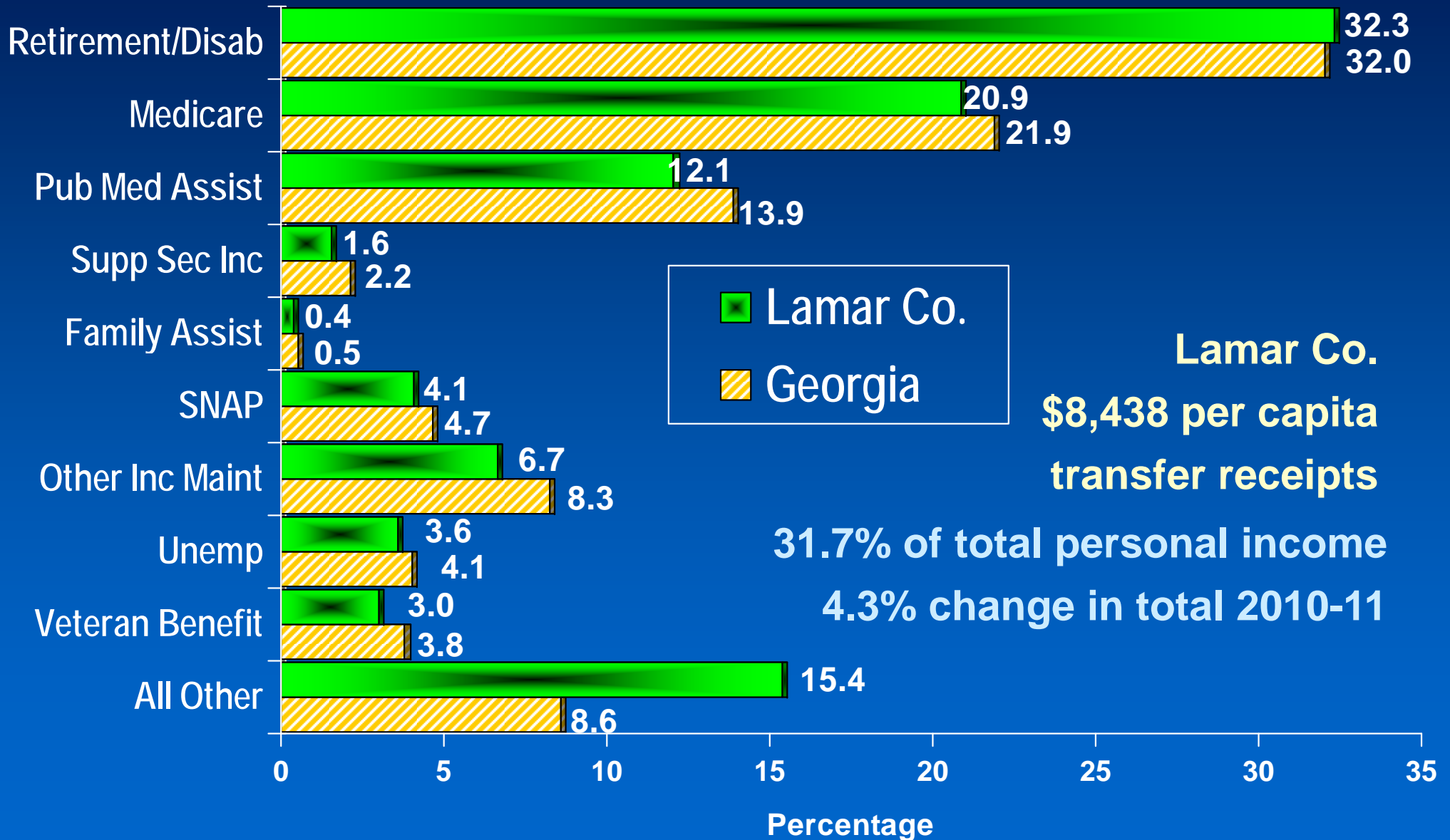
2011 Model-Based Estimates



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

Transfer Receipts: 2011

Lamar Co. Total = \$153,512,000



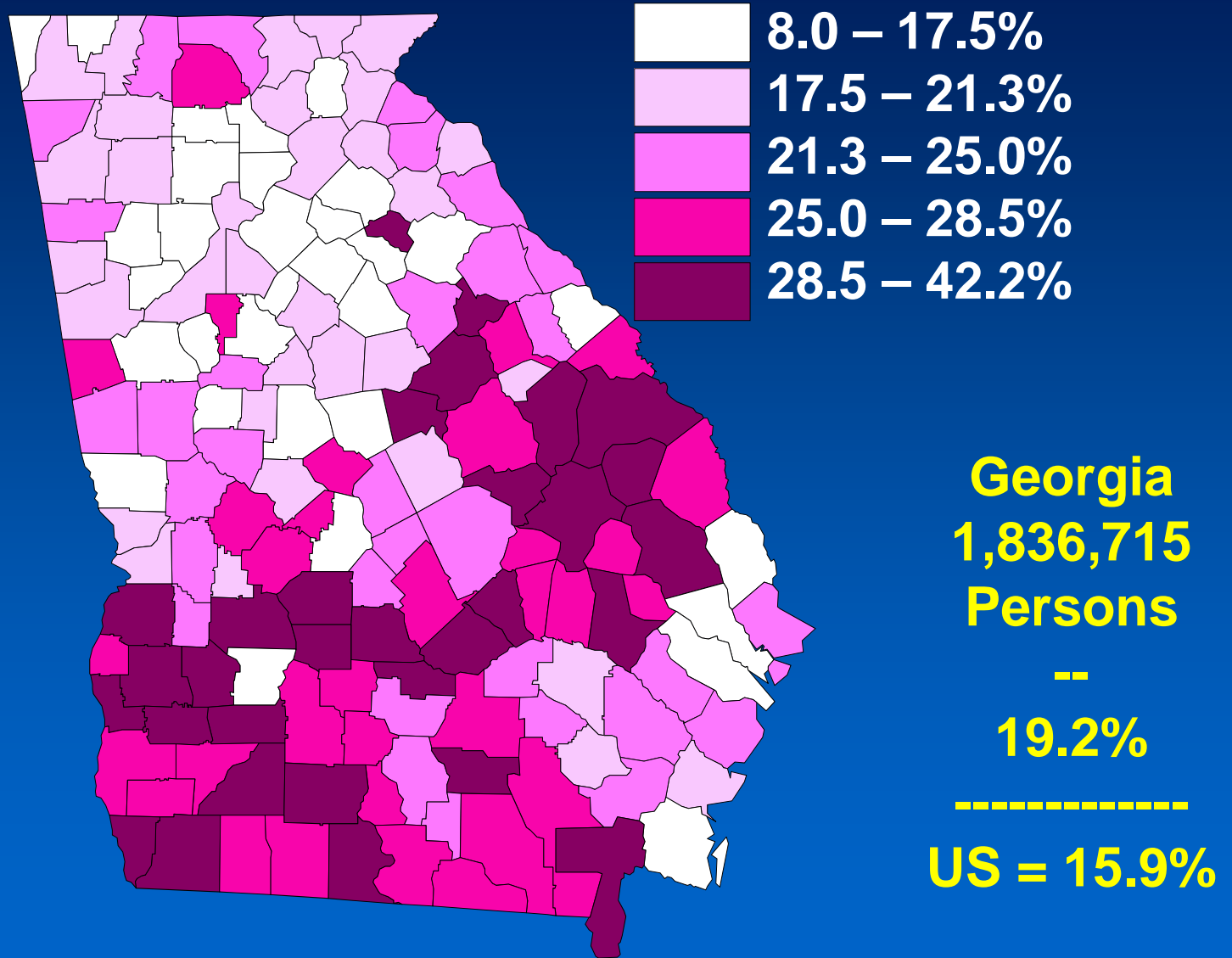
Primary data source: Bureau of Economic Analysis (4/13)

Persons Living Below Poverty Level

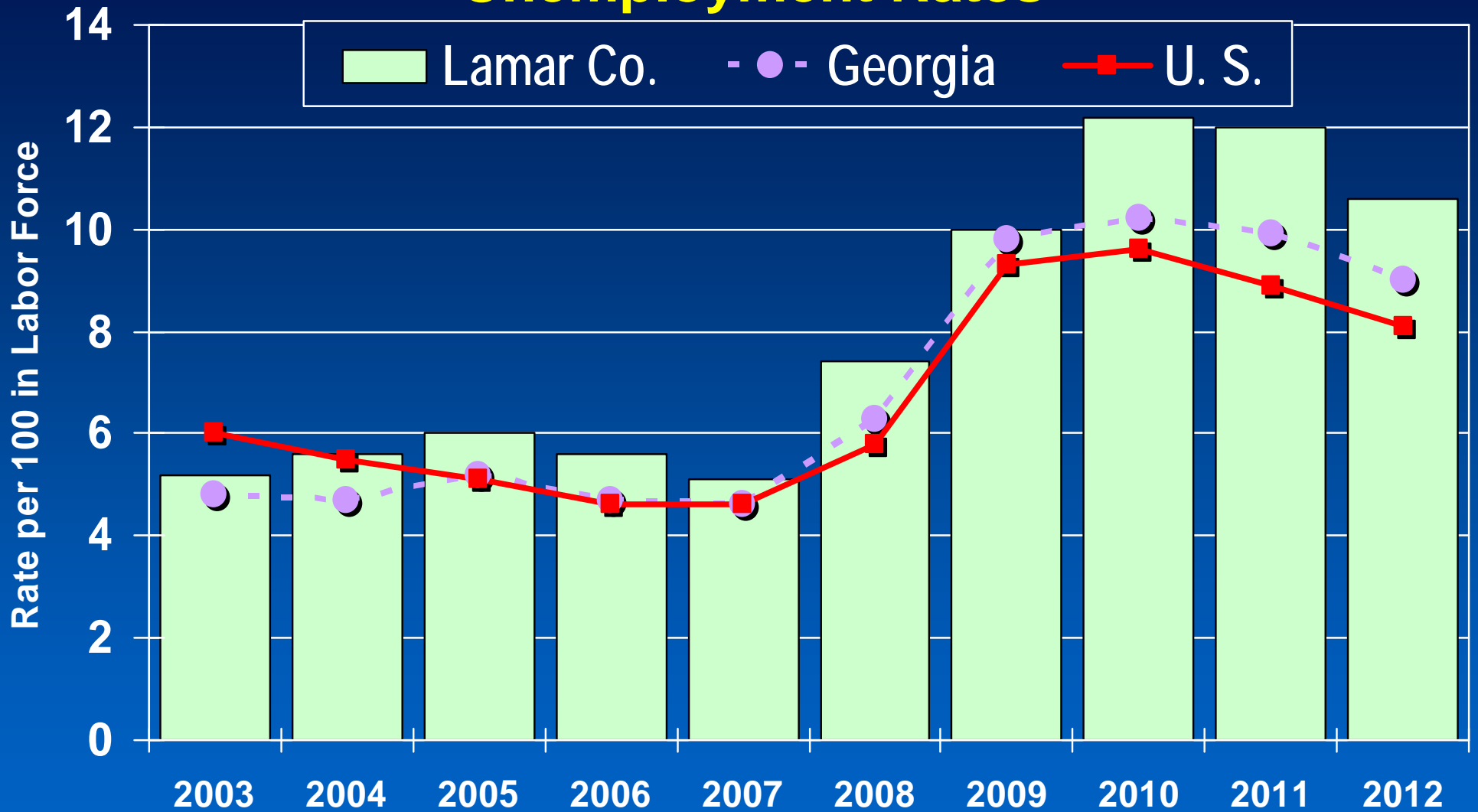
2011 Model-Based Estimates

County	# of Persons	% of all Persons	Rank of %
LAMAR	3,323	19.6	50
BUTTS	4,262	20.2	56
MONROE	3,719	14.7	20
PIKE	2,440	14.0	15
SPALDING	14,663	23.4	82
UPSON	5,813	22.0	69
GA Avg. Co.	11,552	23.2	--

Persons Living Below the Poverty Level 2011 Model-Based Estimates



Civilian Labor Force Average Annual Unemployment Rates



2012 Rates Lamar Co. = 10.6 GA = 9.0 US = 8.1
Avg. GA County = 10.1

Establishments, Employment & Wages: 2011 Averages

Lamar County	Avg. # Establishments	Avg. Monthly Employment	Avg. Wage Weekly
TOTAL GOODS PRODUCING	46	641	\$793
Ag, forestry, fishing	10	72	\$564
Construction	25	58	\$649
Manufacturing	10	507	\$841
TOTAL SERVICE PROVIDING	190	1,548	\$479
Wholesale trade	8	57	\$605
Retail trade	45	409	\$435
Transp/Warehousing	11	32	\$672
Finance/Insurance	12	89	\$778
Professional/Sci/Tech	18	62	\$518
Admin/Suppt/WasteMgmt/Remediation	17	105	\$722
Health care/Soc Svcs	19	237	\$371
Accommodations/Food Svc	26	311	\$227
TOTAL GOVERNMENT	35	1,141	\$642
TOTAL ALL INDUSTRIES	278	3,333	\$596

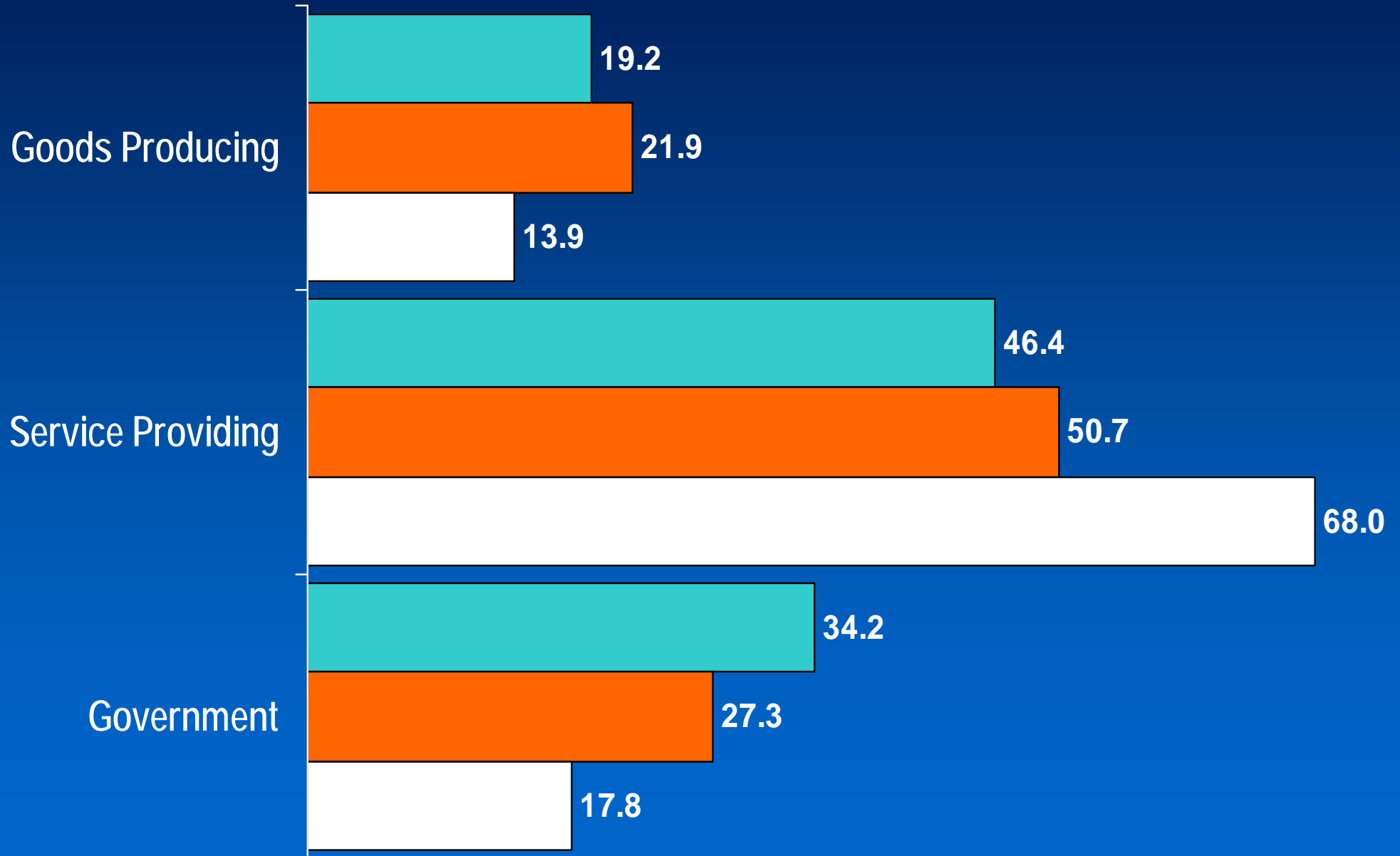
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Employment Comparisons by Industry Group: 2011

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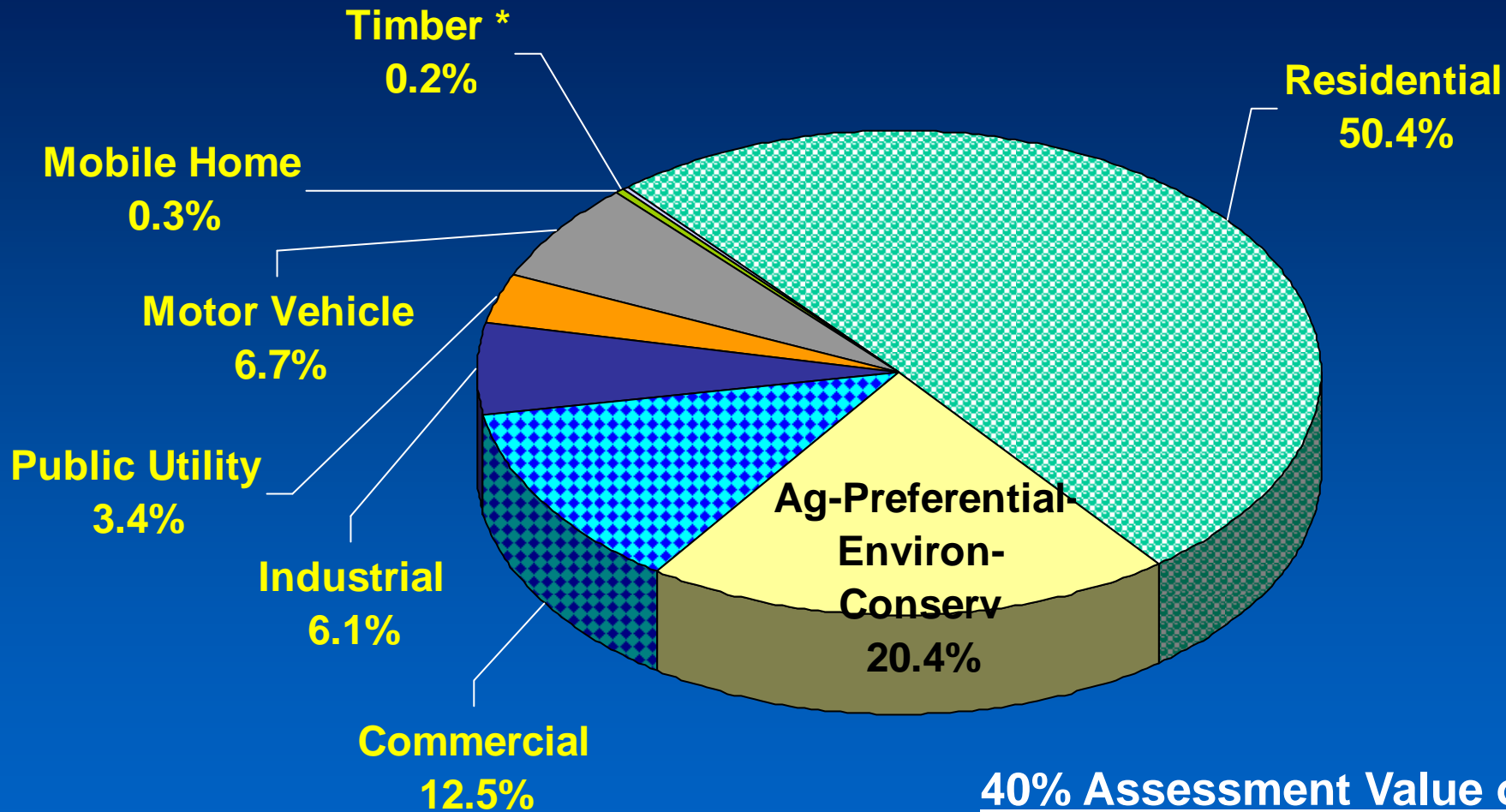
■ Avg. GA County

■ Georgia



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Components of 2011 Property Tax Gross Digest Lamar County



40% Assessment Value of Property

Gross Digest = \$551,910,302

Homestead & Property Exemptions = \$961,76,039

Net M&O Digest = \$455,734,263

Value of exempt property = \$69,956,244

Primary data source:
GA Dept. of Revenue

* Timber taxed at 100% based on previous year sales

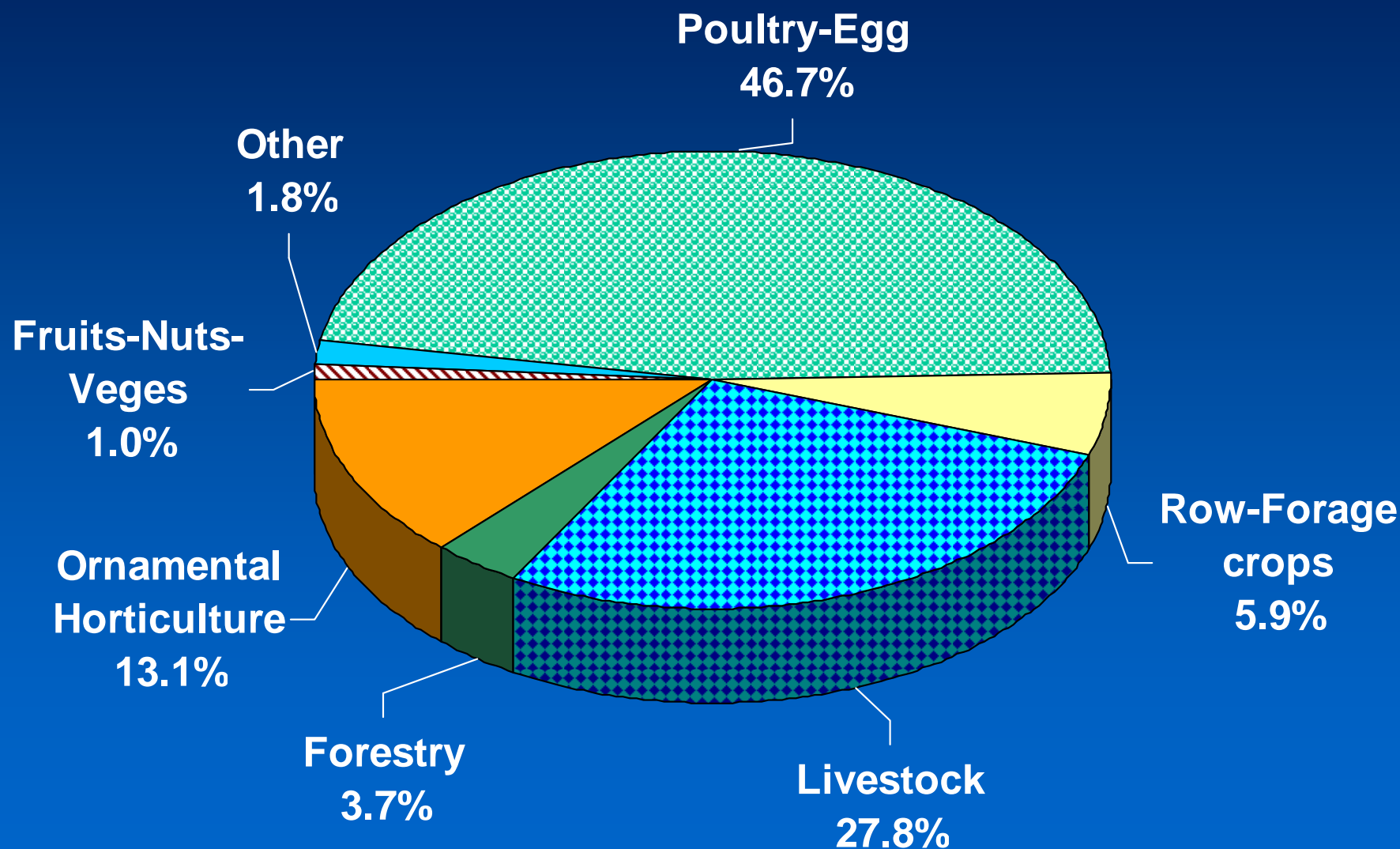
Millage Rates, Taxes Levied, & Sales Tax Rate

County	2011 County-wide Millage*	2010 Taxes Levied* (\$000)	Sales Tax Rate as of 4/1/2013	LOST Type* as of 4/1/2013
LAMAR	25.992	\$12,531	7	LSE
BUTTS	37.163	\$24,109	7	LSE
MONROE	24.668	\$33,088	7	LSE
PIKE	29.452	\$14,555	7	LSE
SPALDING	38.490	\$57,048	7	LSE
UPSON	27.270	\$18,270	7	LSE

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

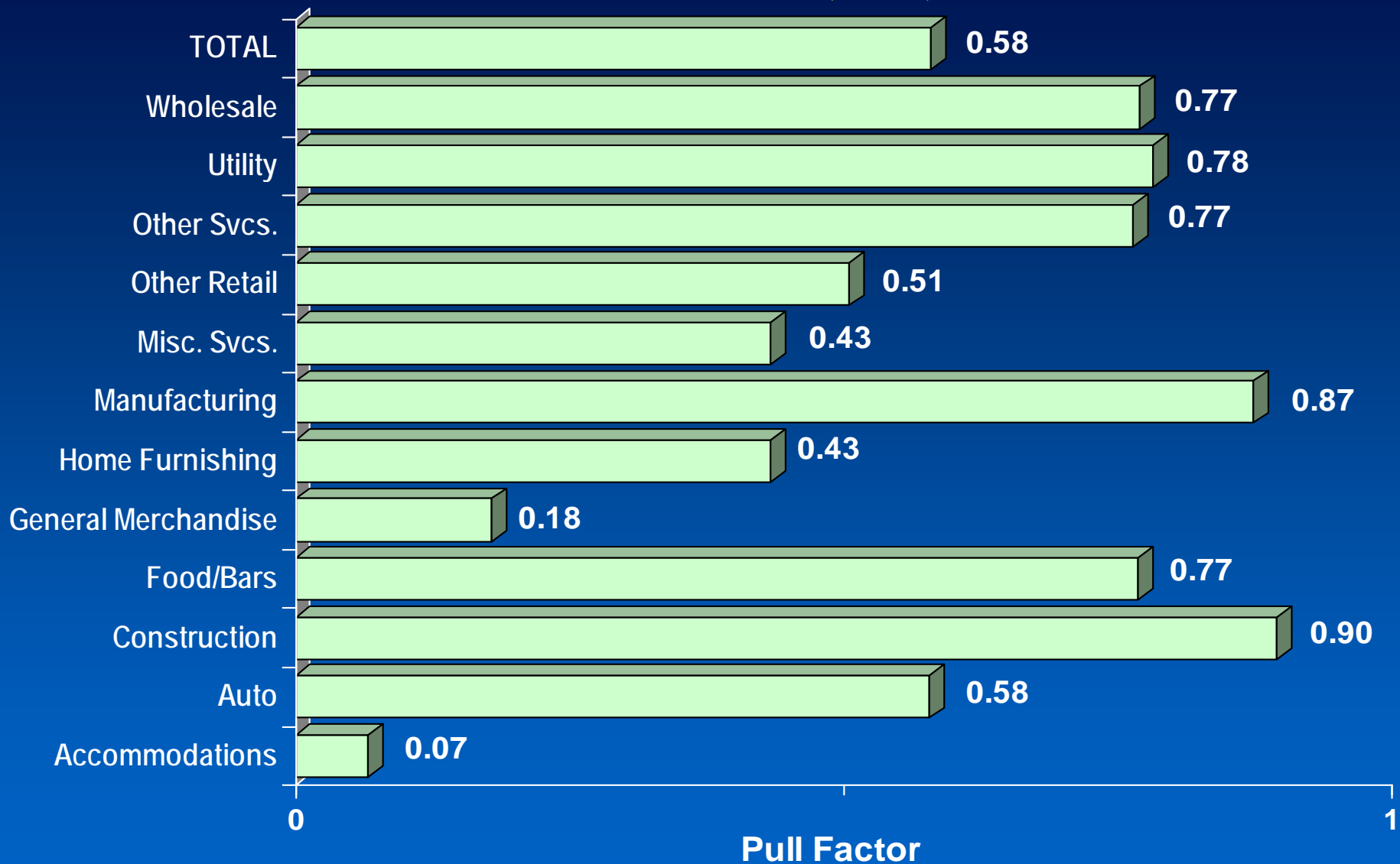
Farm Gate Value by Commodity Group: 2011

Lamar Co. Total Value = \$47,748,921



1% Sales & Use Tax Distributions: 2011

Lamar Co. = \$1,712,584

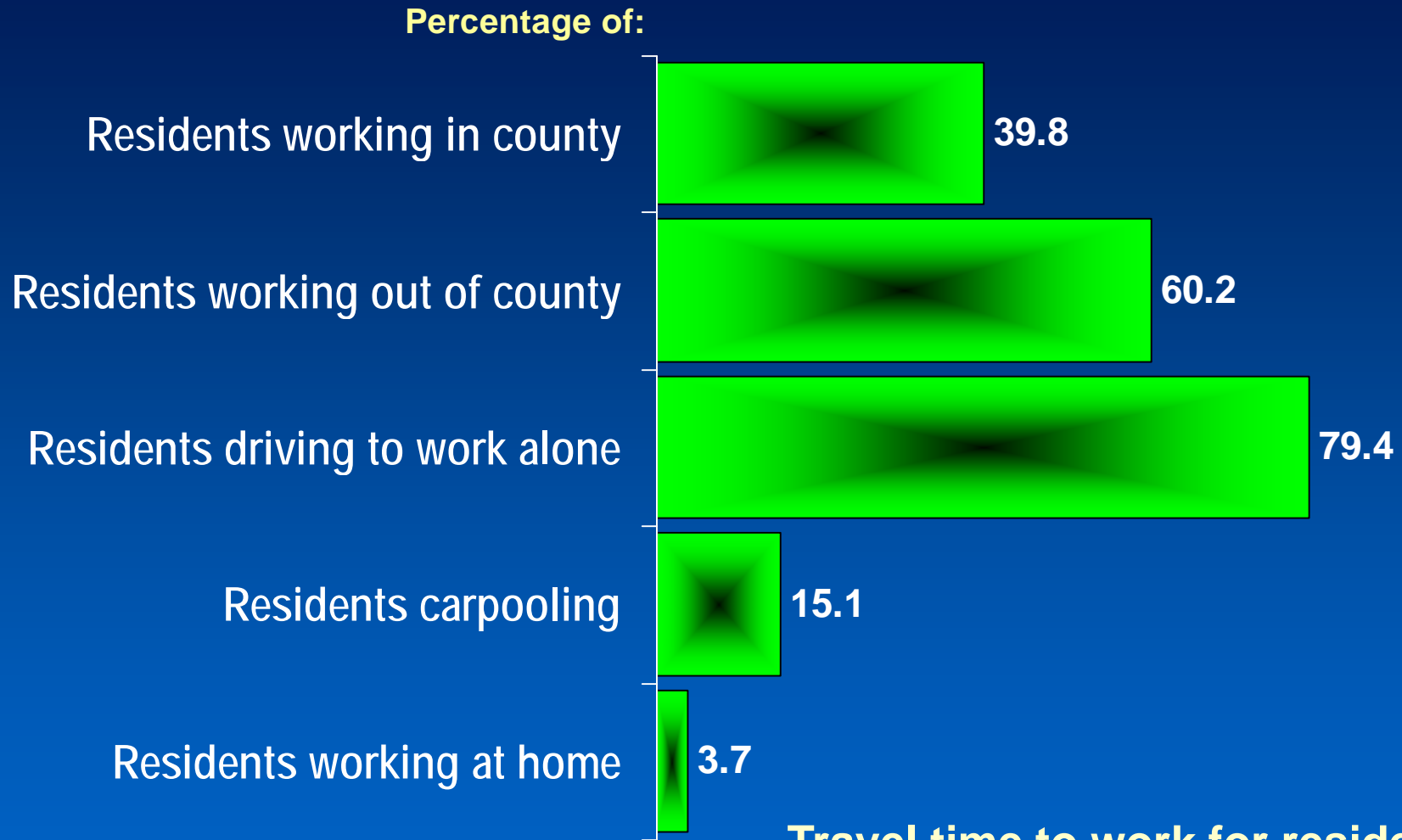


A "pull factor" of 1.0 means that the county's sales are what would be expected based upon the number of residents and their relative wealth.

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



Travel time to work for residents
not working at home:
< 20 min. = 47.6%
20-44 min. = 33.6%
45+ min. = 18.9%

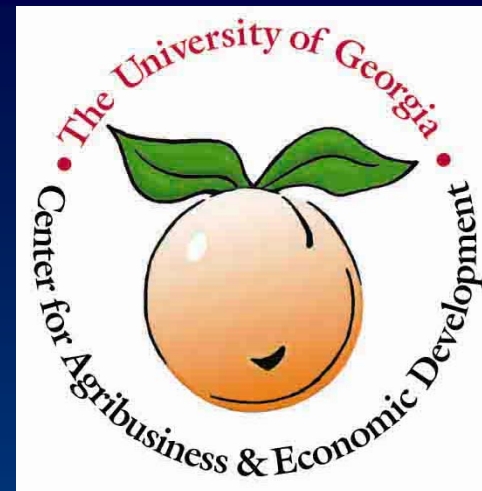
Resident workers 16+ = 7,483
Residents working in county = 2,979
Residents working out of county = 4,504

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

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