



Montgomery Planning

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Montgomery County Demographic Trends

Presentation to the Montgomery County Council



Today's Topics

- Introduction to key demographic trends, countywide and by district:
 - Population growth
 - Racial and ethnic change
 - Large immigrant community
 - Changing households and ages
 - Income, education, and workforce

Where do we get demographic data?

An official website of the United States government. [Here's how you know](#)

2020 Census

FAQ INSTRUCTIONS ENGLISH ▾

Welcome to the 2020 Census

- It's quick and easy. The 2020 Census questionnaire will take about 10 minutes to complete.
- It's safe, secure, and confidential. Your information and privacy are protected.
- Your response helps to direct billions of dollars in federal funds to local communities for schools, roads, and other public services.
- Results from the 2020 Census will be used to determine the number of seats each state has in Congress and your political representation at all levels of government.

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Start Questionnaire

Getting started:

- You must complete your questionnaire once you begin. If you leave the questionnaire and return later, you will have to start over.
- Do not use the web browser buttons (back, forward, or close browser). Use the buttons within the questionnaire to navigate.
- For best results, use the latest version of Chrome, Firefox, Internet Explorer, or Safari. Enable cookies.

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Decennial Census

- Every 10 years
- Everyone counts
- Main purpose is for congressional representation

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
Economics and Statistics Administration
U.S. CENSUS BUREAU

THE American Community Survey

Start Here

Respond online today at:
<https://respond.census.gov/acs>
OR
Complete this form and mail it back as soon as possible.

Please print today's date.
Month Day Year

Please print the name and telephone number of the person who is filling out this form. We may contact you if there is a question.
Last Name First Name MI

This form asks for information about the people who are living or staying at the address on the mailing label and about the house, apartment, or mobile home located at the address on the mailing label.

American Community Survey (ACS)

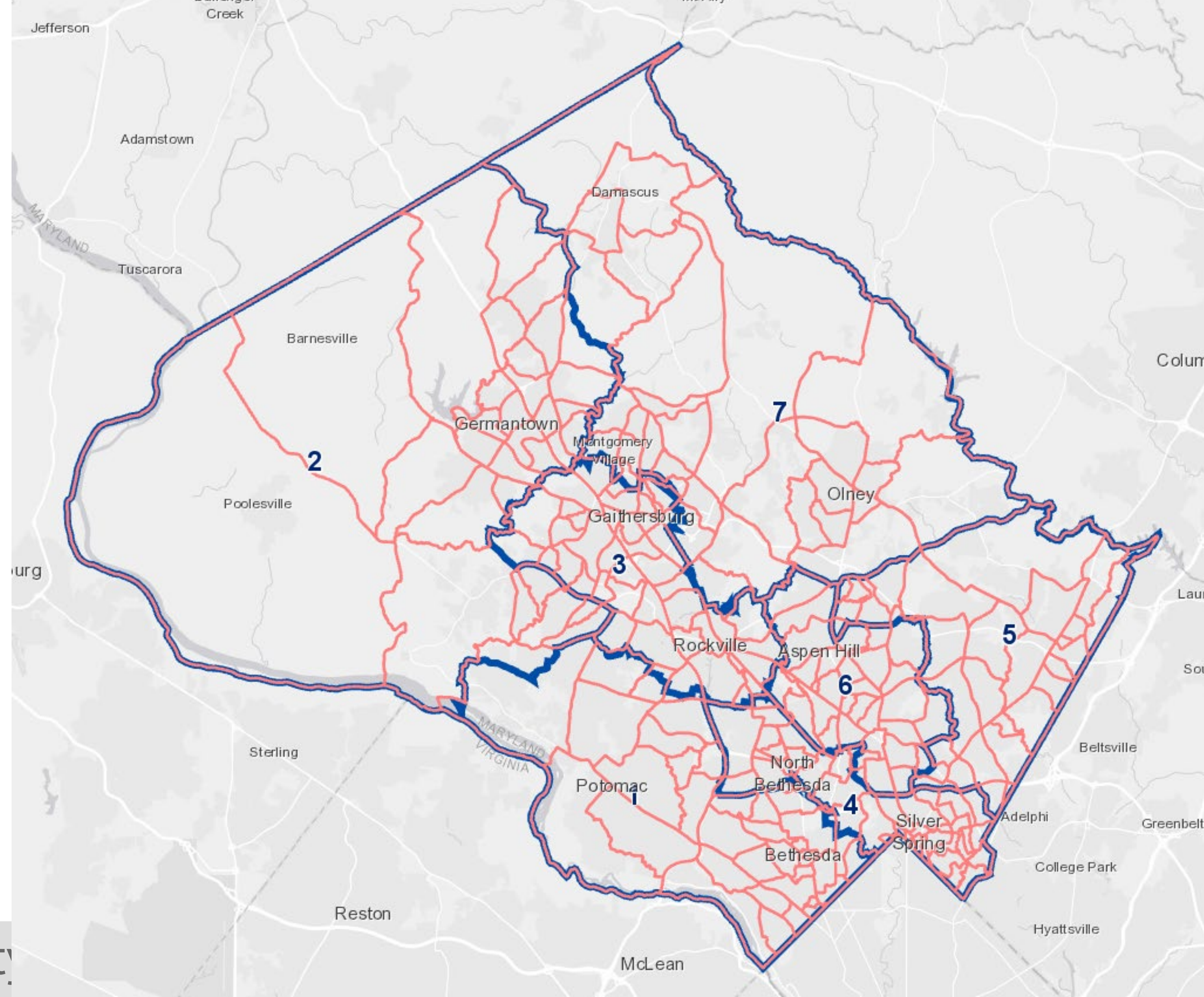
- Annually
- 3.5 million household sample
- Detailed data on race, income, education, occupation, commuting, housing, etc.
- Data available in 1-year and 5-year tabulations



Population Estimates Program

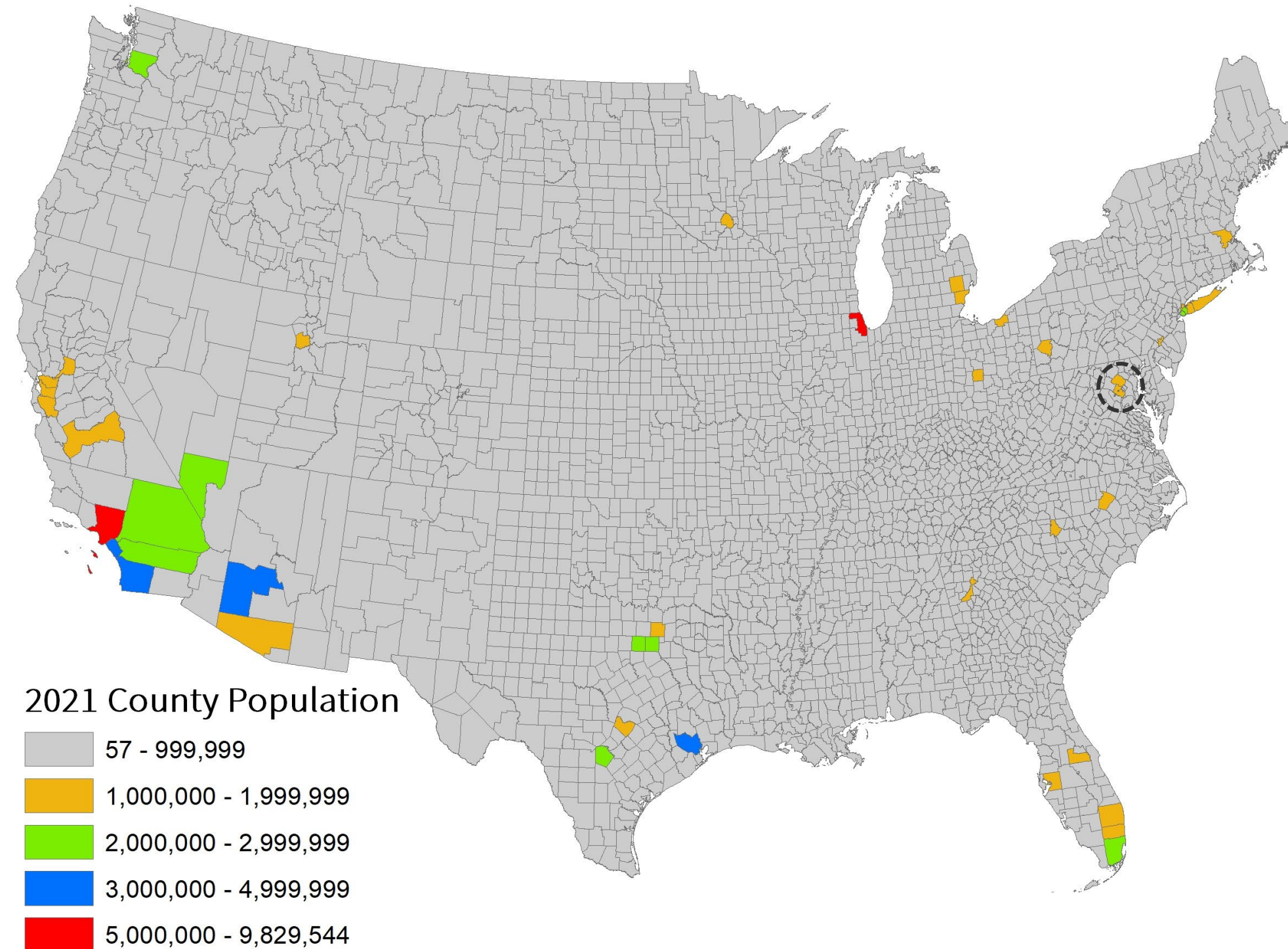
- Annually
- Population and housing estimates for country, states, counties, cities, towns
- Age and race characteristics

Geographies



A large, slow growing jurisdiction

Montgomery County is the 44th largest county in the United States.



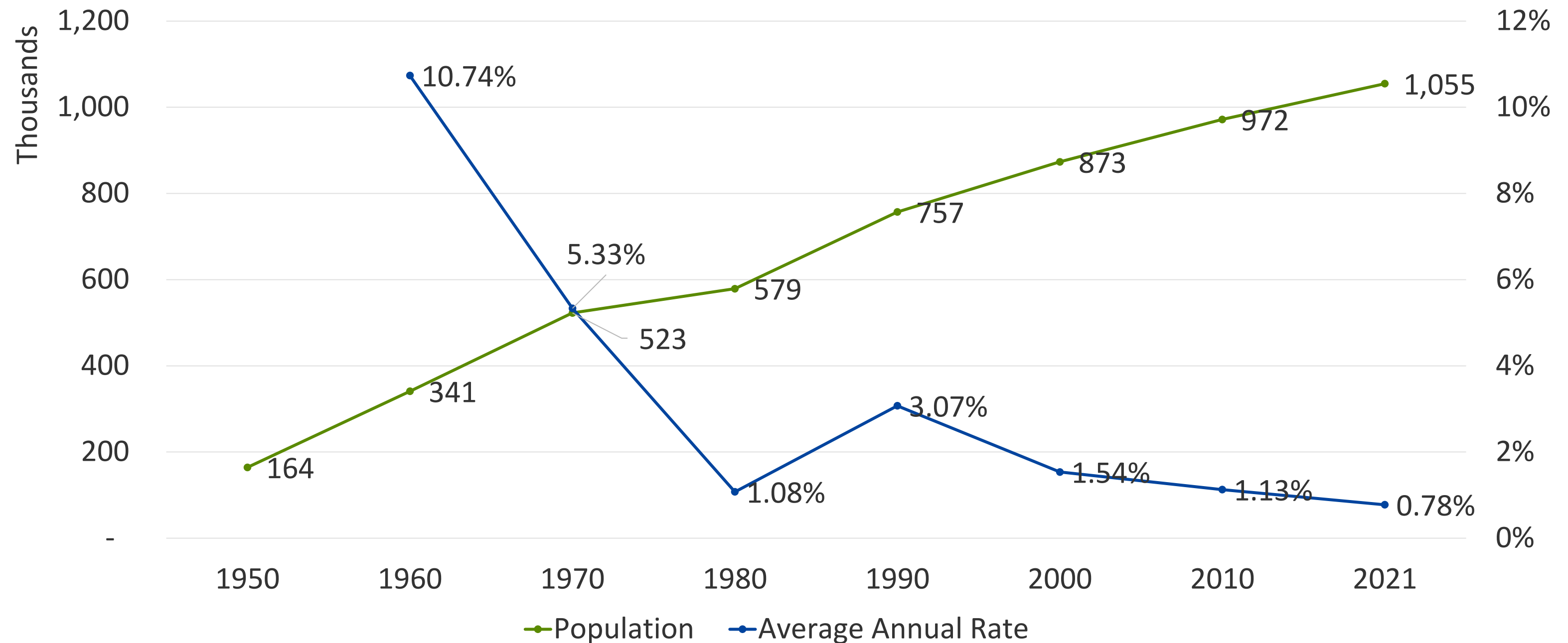
2021 pop = 1.05M

Fairfax is largest county in DC Metro with >1.1M

Montgomery County's population = 17% of the Maryland state population

Source: 2021 Population Estimates Program, U.S. Census Bureau

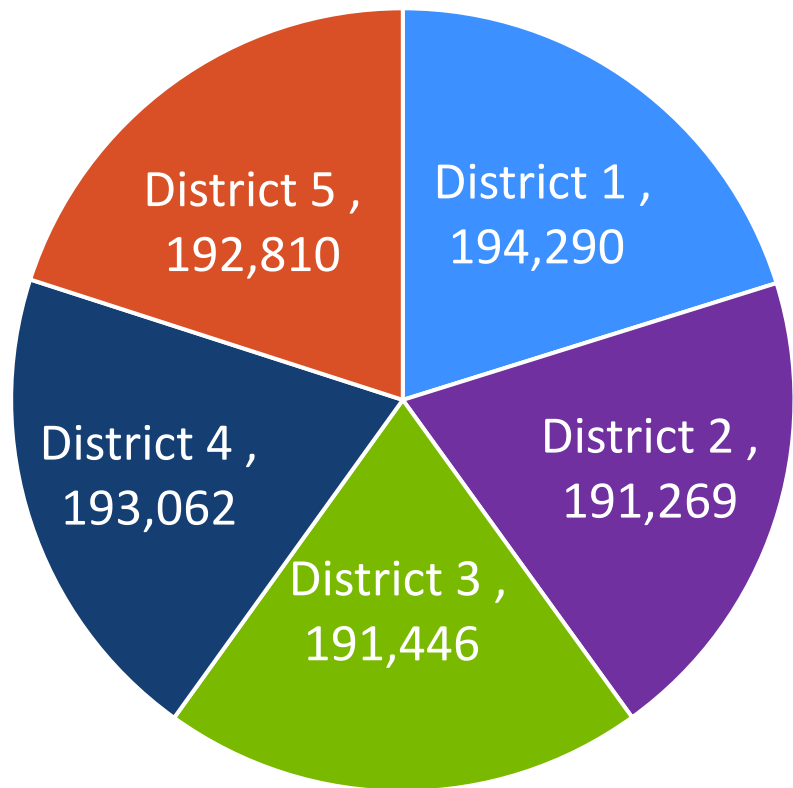
Population growth rates reflect a mature, built out county.



Source: 1950-2020 Census and 2021 Population Estimates, U.S. Census Bureau

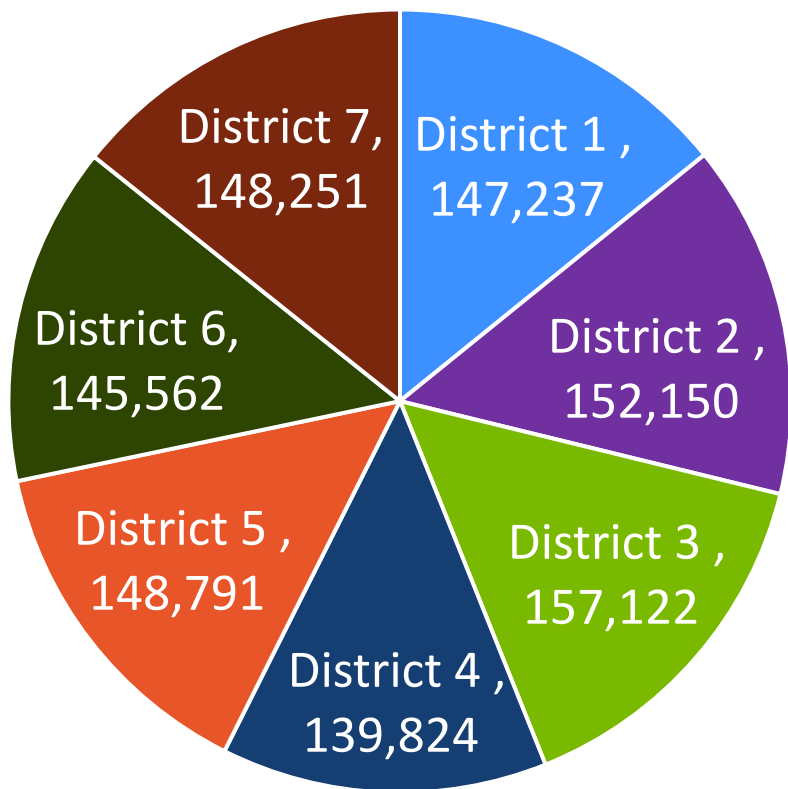
New Council districts have approximately 44,000 fewer people than old districts

2010 Population* by District
962,877



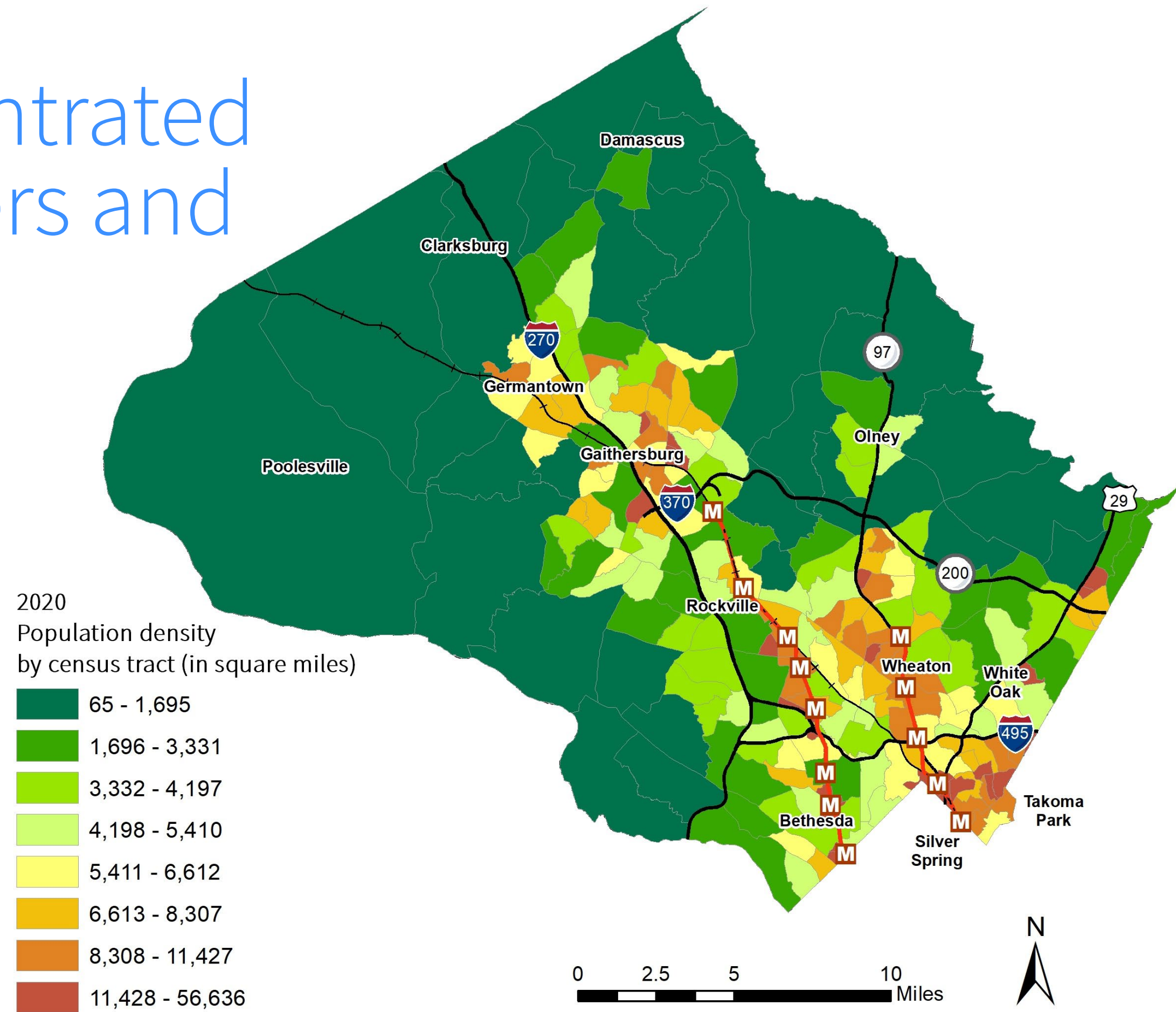
**Population living in households*
Source: 2010 Decennial Census

2020 Population* by District
1,038,937



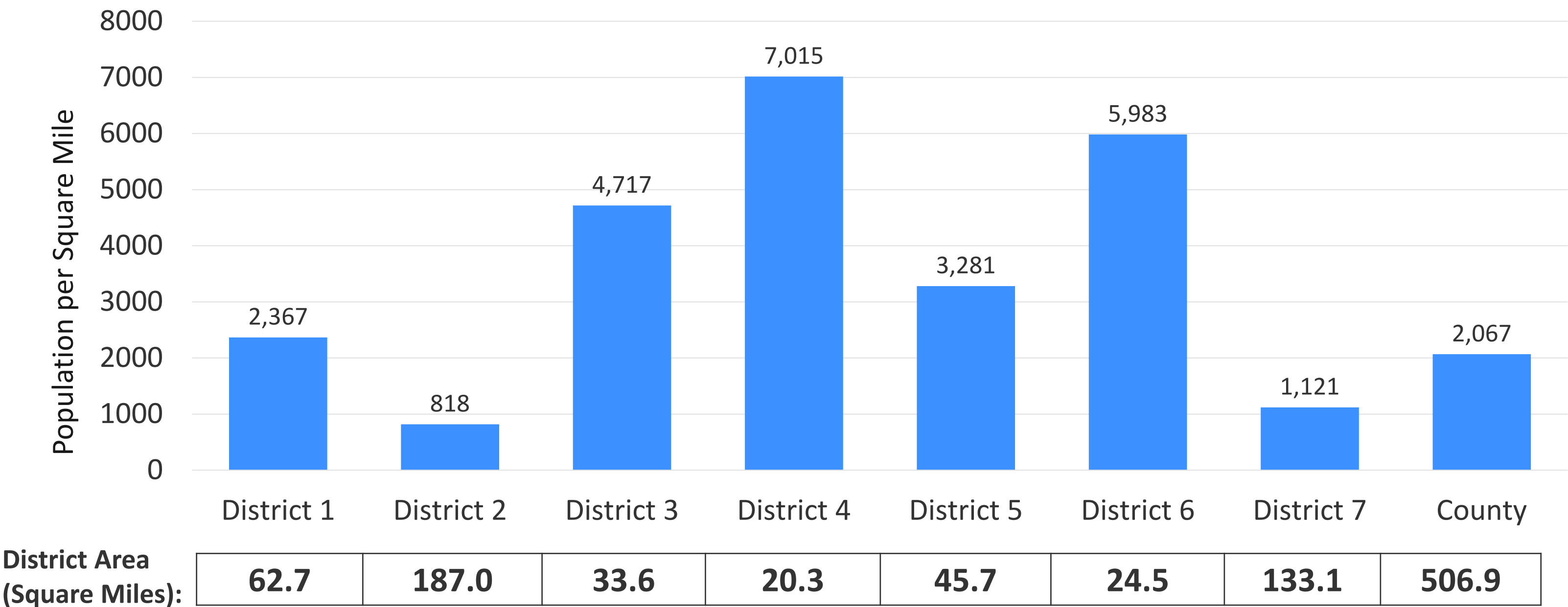
**Population living in households*
Source: 2016-2020 American Community Survey, 5-year estimate.

Population concentrated around core centers and corridors



Source: 2020 Decennial Census, U.S. Census Bureau

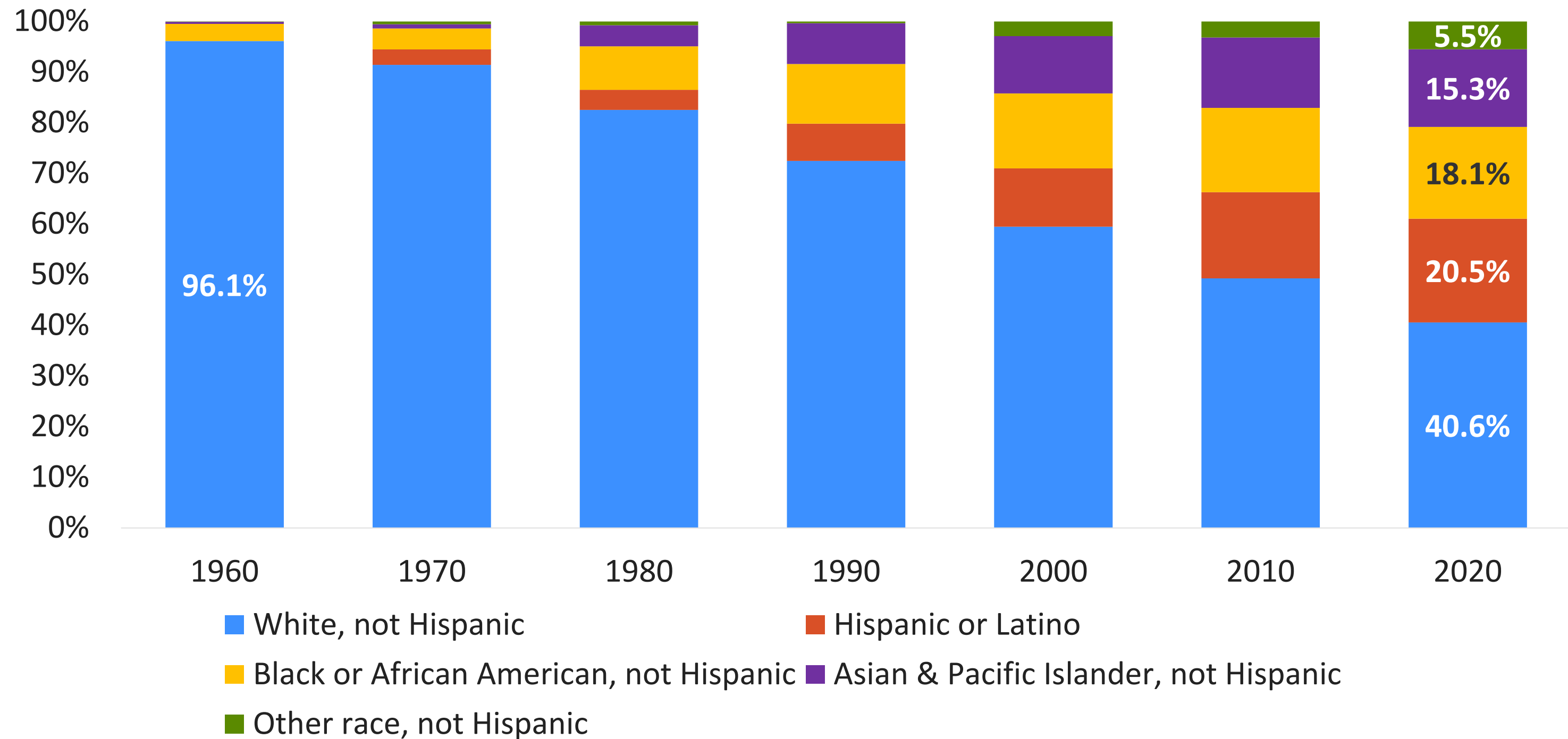
Population density by district and countywide



Source: 2016-2020 American Community Survey, 5-year estimate

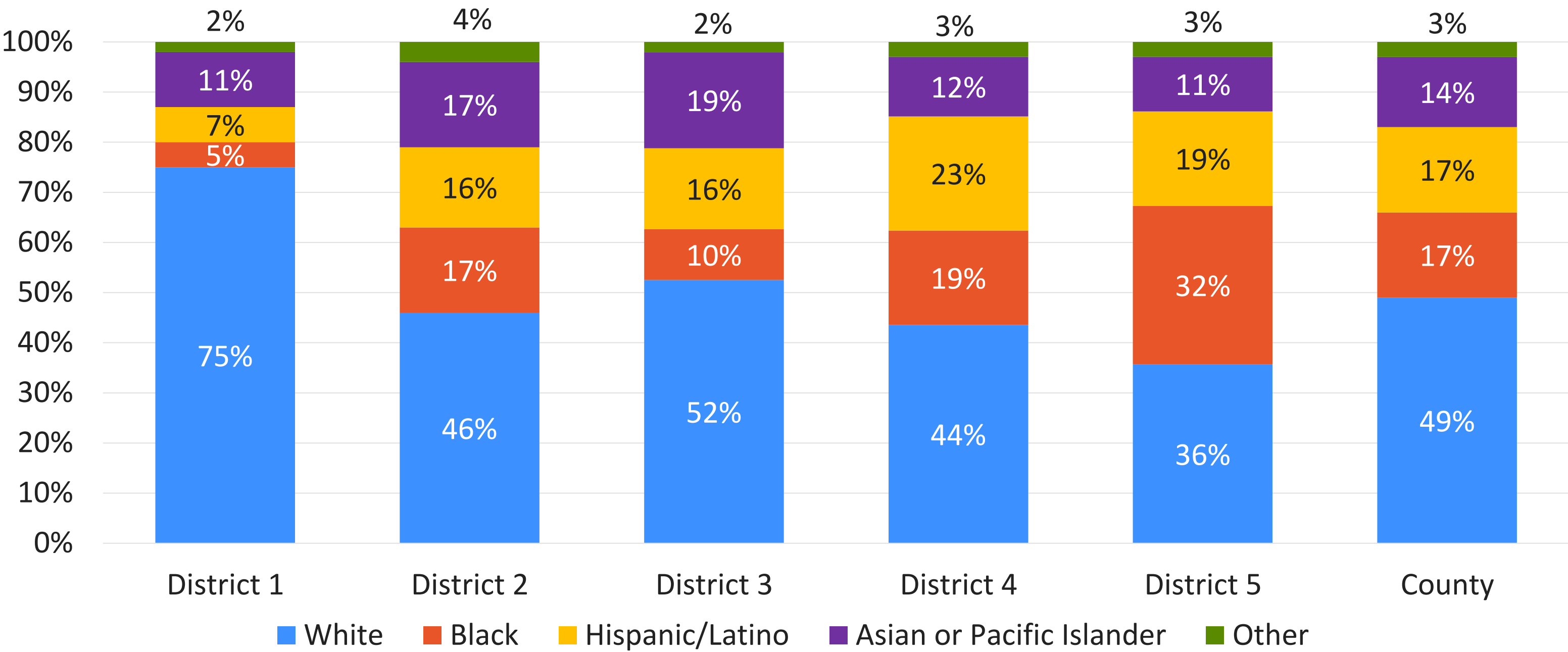
Racial and ethnic change

Population by race/ethnicity (1960-2020)



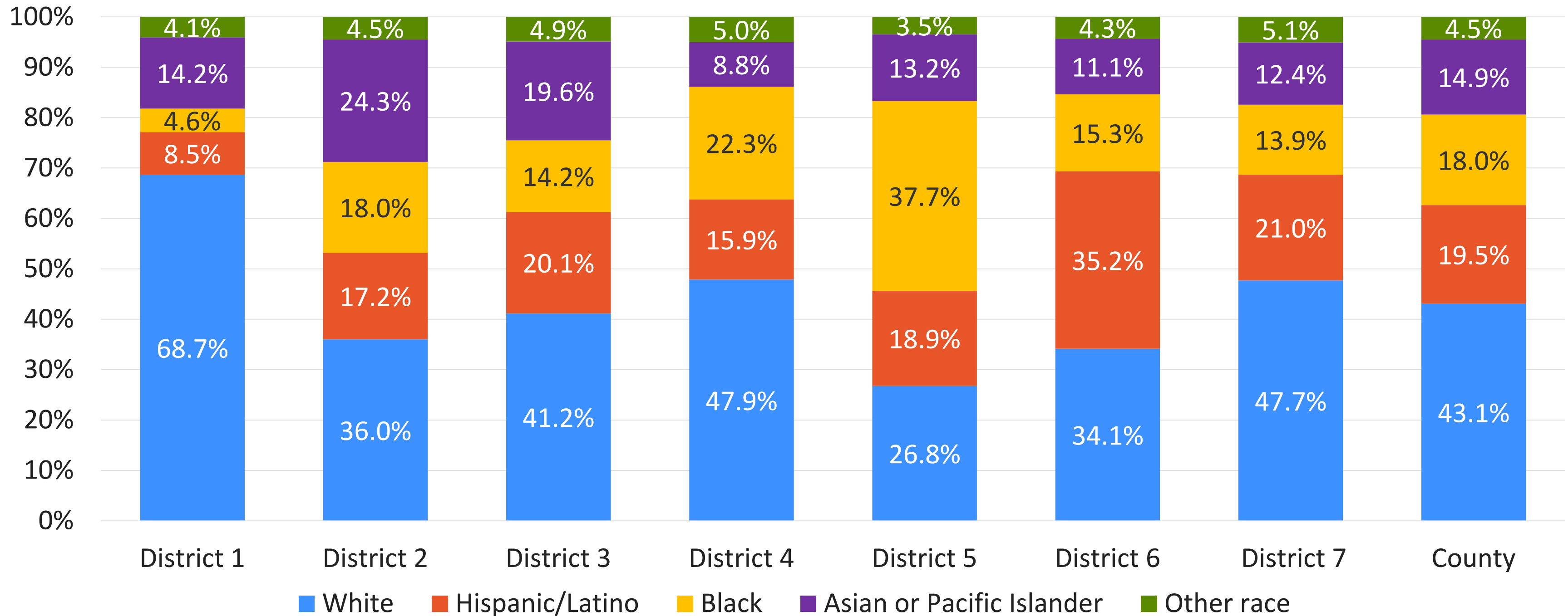
Source: 1990-2020 Decennial Census, U.S. Census Bureau

3 of 5 districts and the county overall were majority people of color in 2010



Source: 2006-2010 and 2010 American Community Survey, U.S Census Bureau

6 of 7 districts and the county overall are majority people of color today

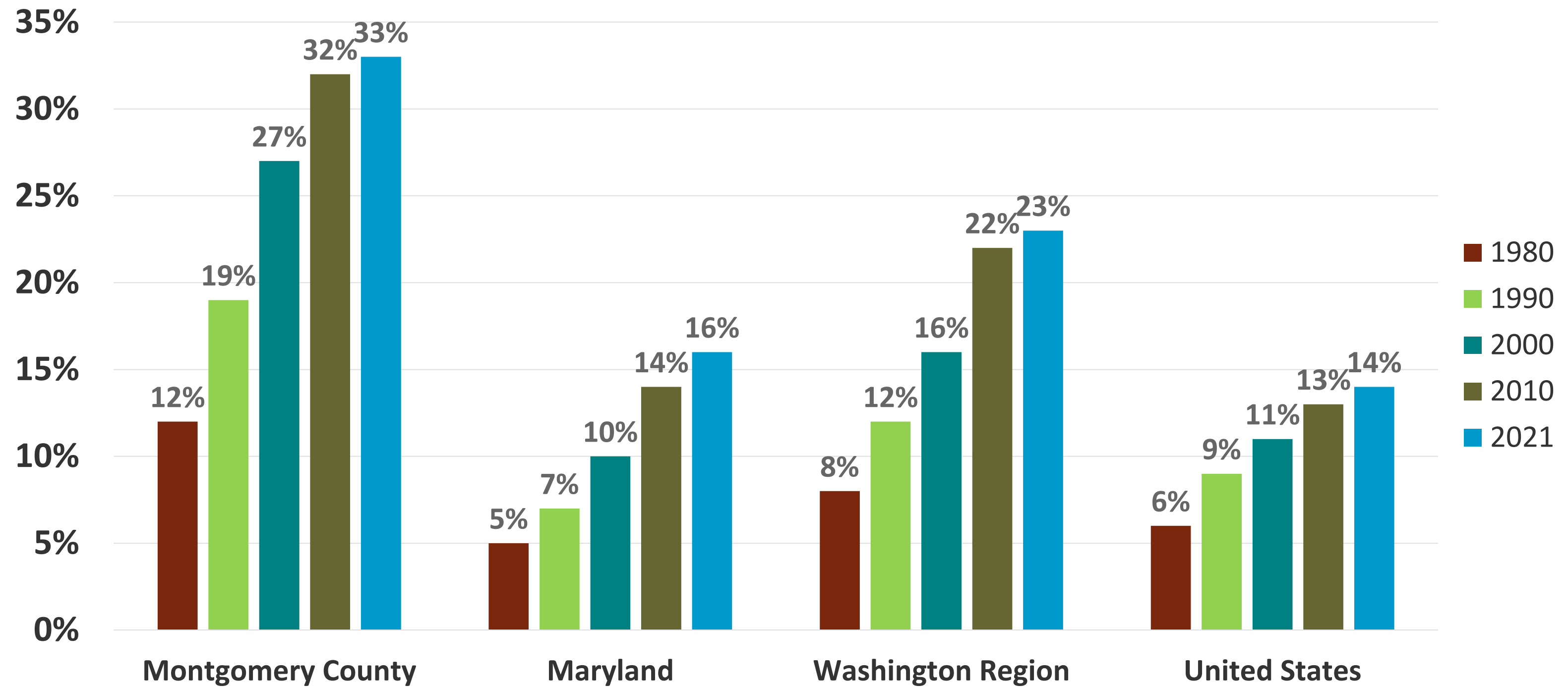


Source: 2016-2020 American Community Survey, 5-year estimate, US Census Bureau

Characteristics of the foreign-born population

Percentage foreign born

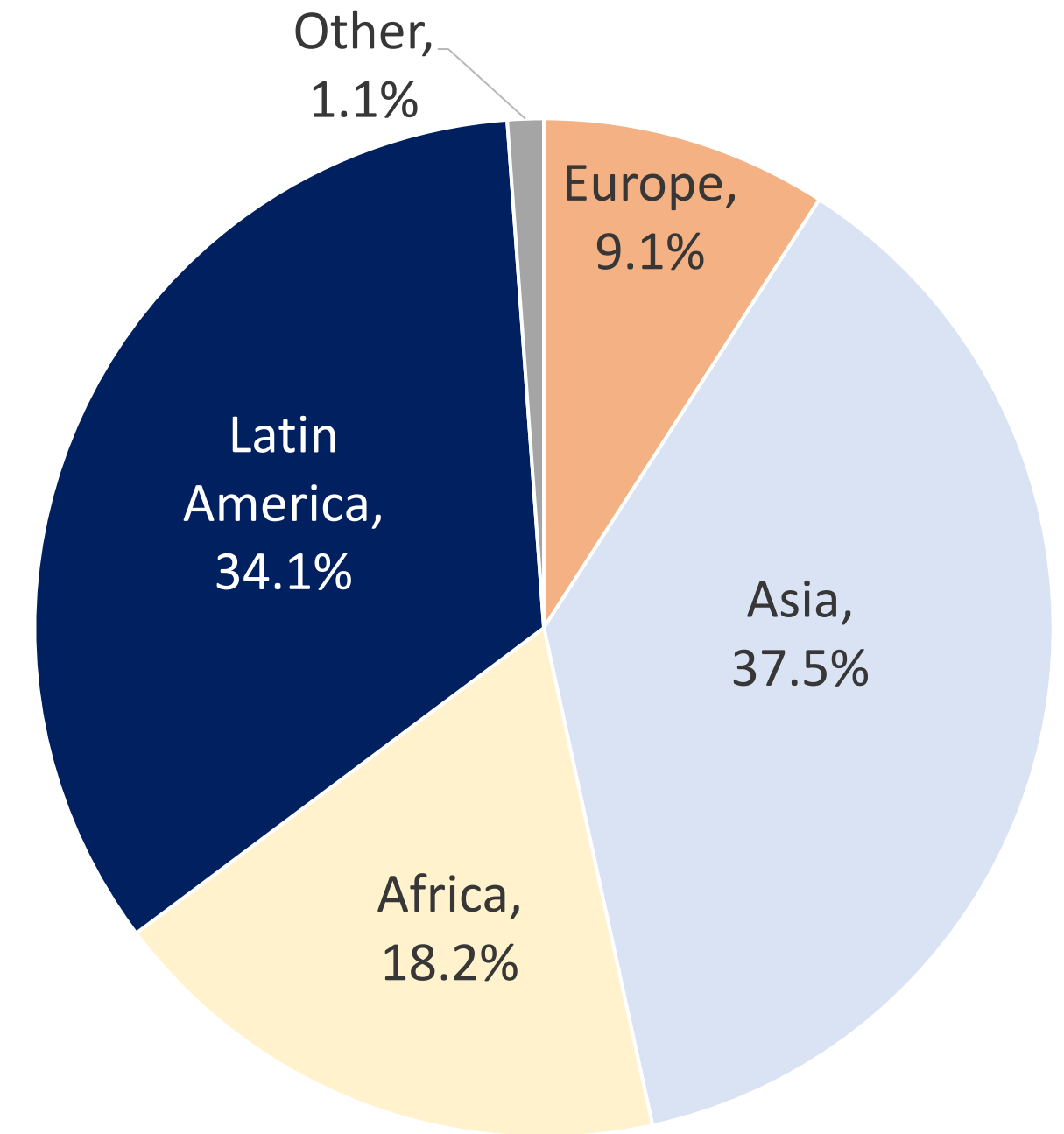
*33% of total population
346,586 residents*



Source: 1980-2000 Decennial Census and 2010 and 2021 American Community Survey, 1-year estimate, U.S. Census Bureau

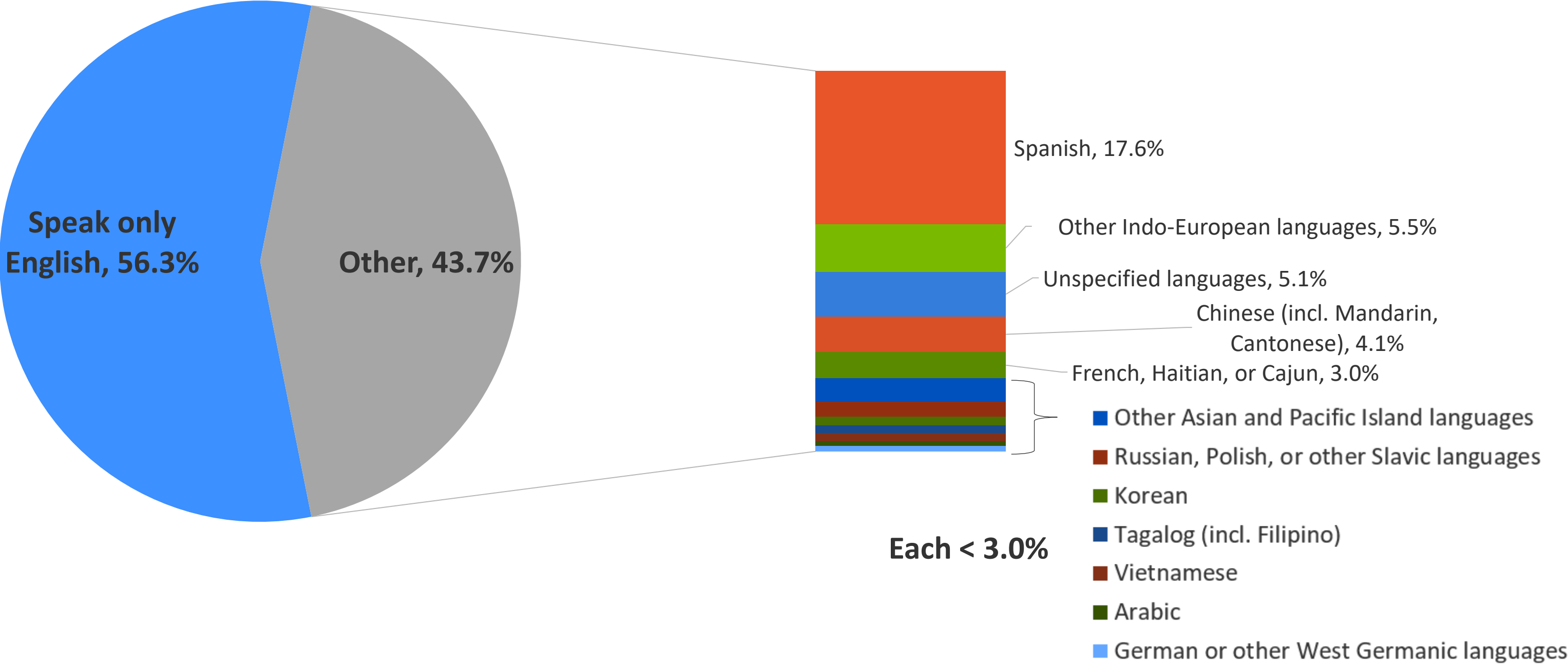
Top regions and countries of origin

Country of Origin	
El Salvador	10.2%
China, excluding Hong Kong and Taiwan	7.3%
India	7.1%
Ethiopia	5.3%
Philippines	3.0%
Korea	2.7%
Peru	2.7%
Guatemala	2.7%
Iran	2.5%
Honduras	2.4%



Source: 2021 American Community Survey, 1-year estimate, U.S. Census Bureau

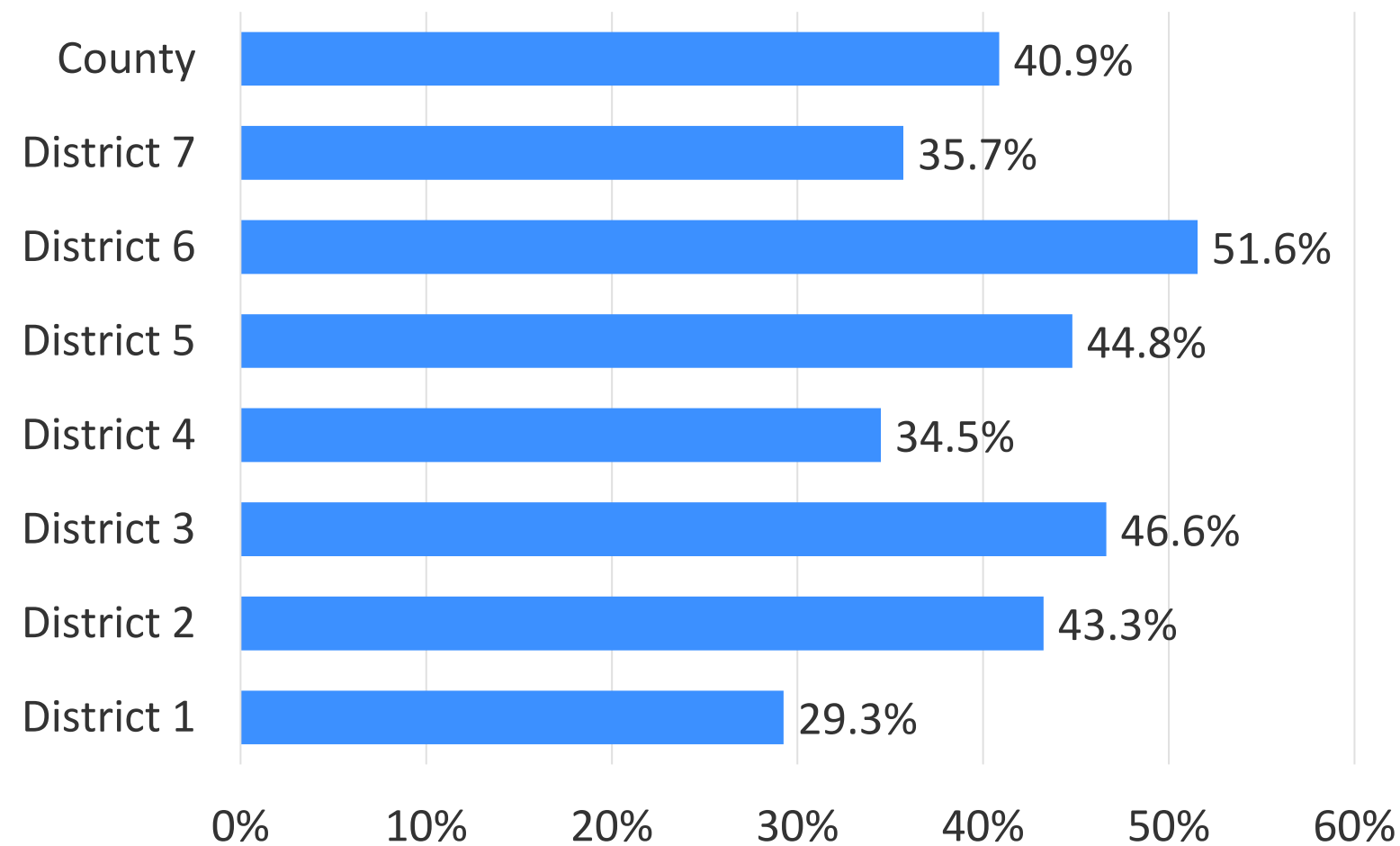
Top languages spoken at home



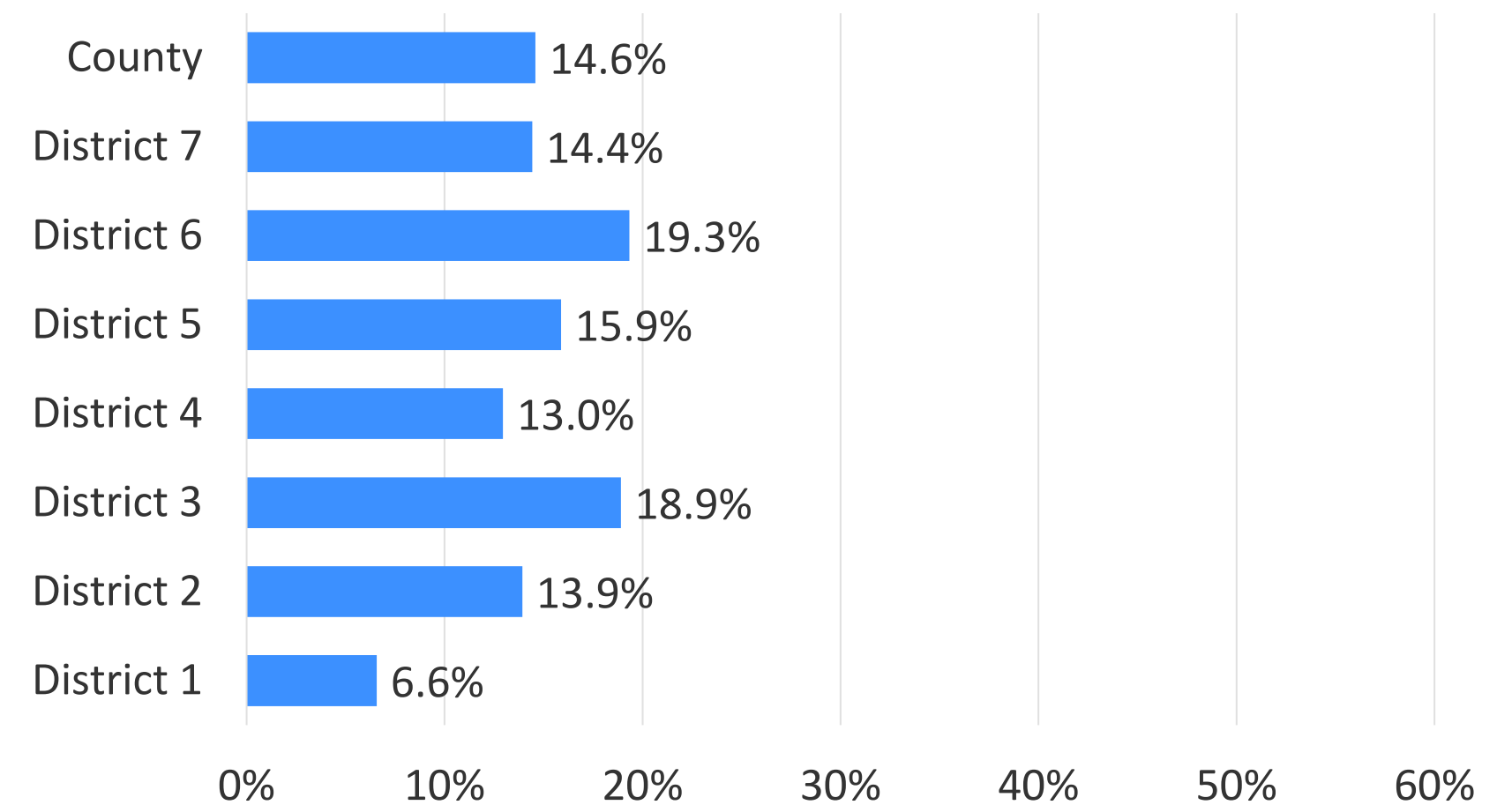
Source: 2021 American Community Survey, 1-year estimate, U.S. Census Bureau

English language usage and proficiency by district and countywide

Percentage of residents who speak a language other than English at home



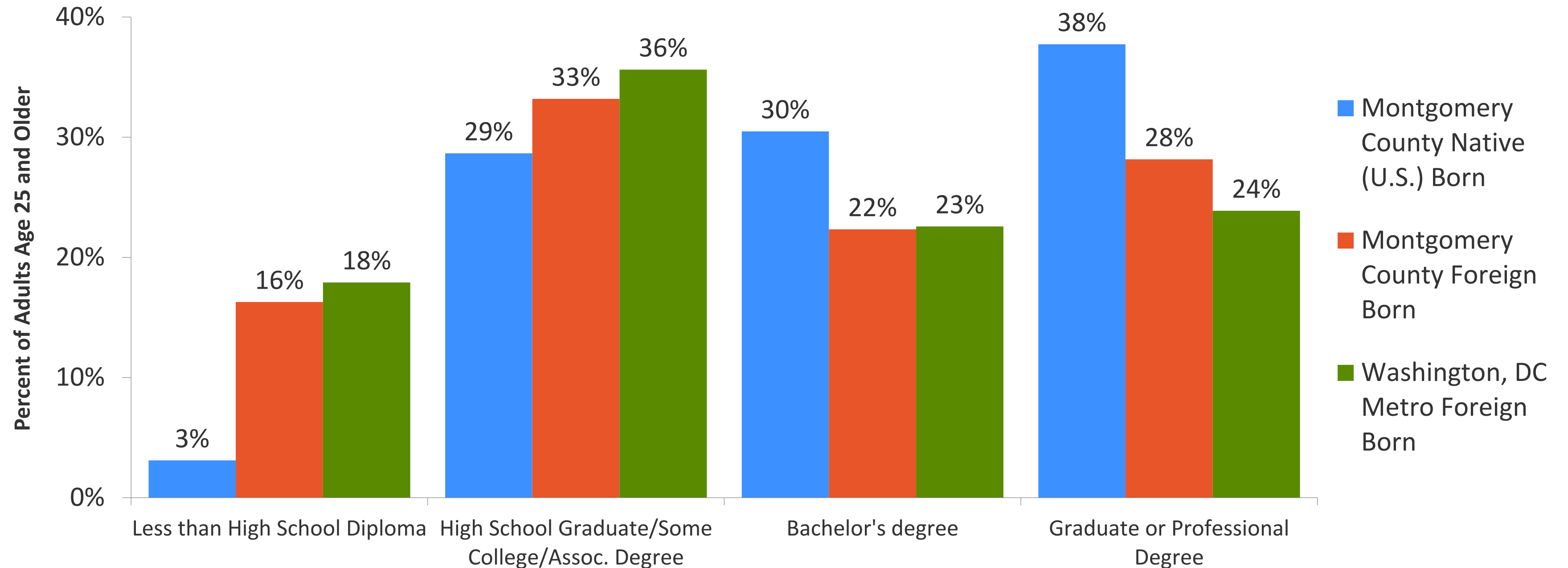
Percentage of residents who report speaking English less than "Very Well"



Source: 2016-2020 American Community Survey, 5-year estimate, US Census Bureau

Educational attainment

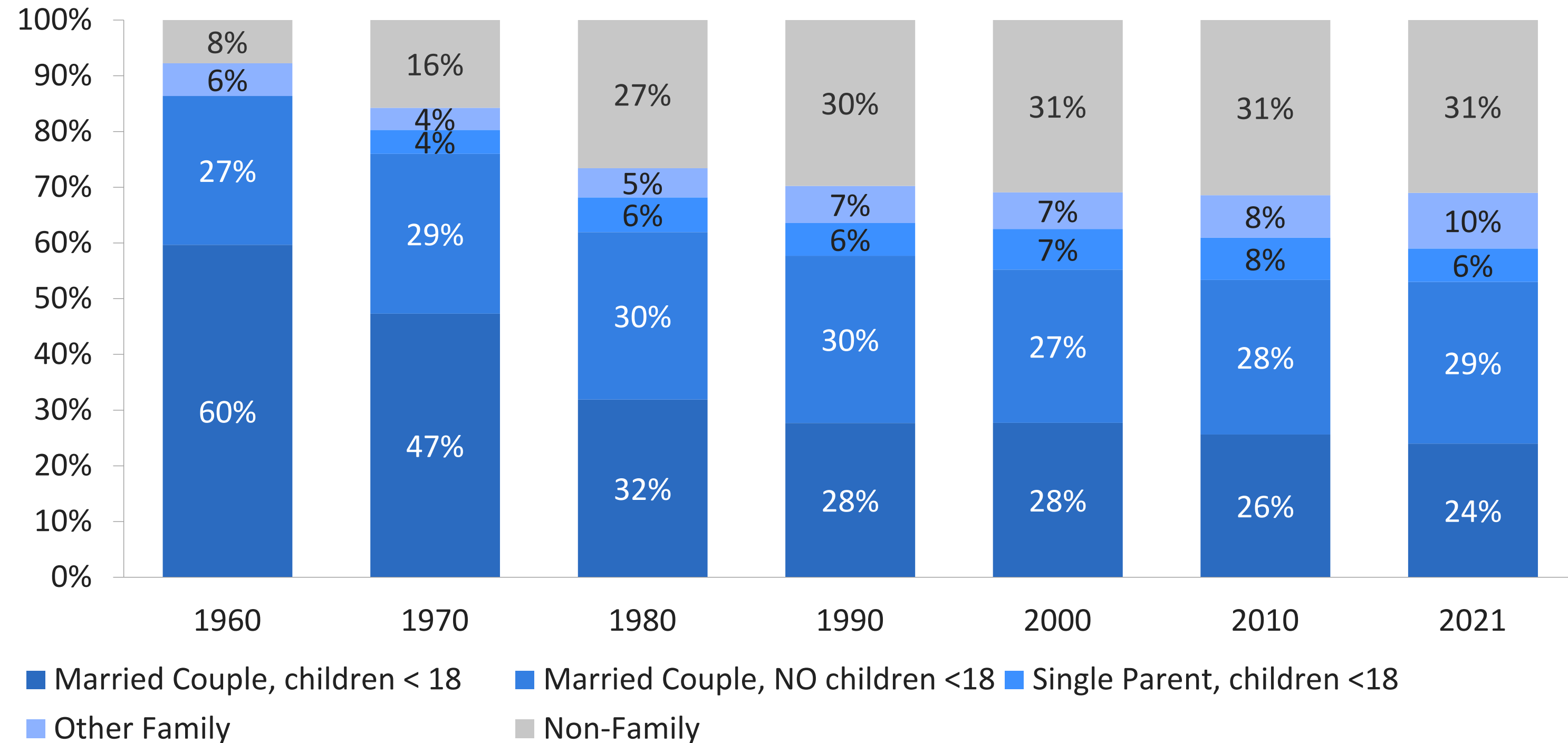
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT OF NATIVE AND FOREIGN BORN (2021)



Source: 2021 American Community Survey, 1-year estimate, U.S. Census Bureau

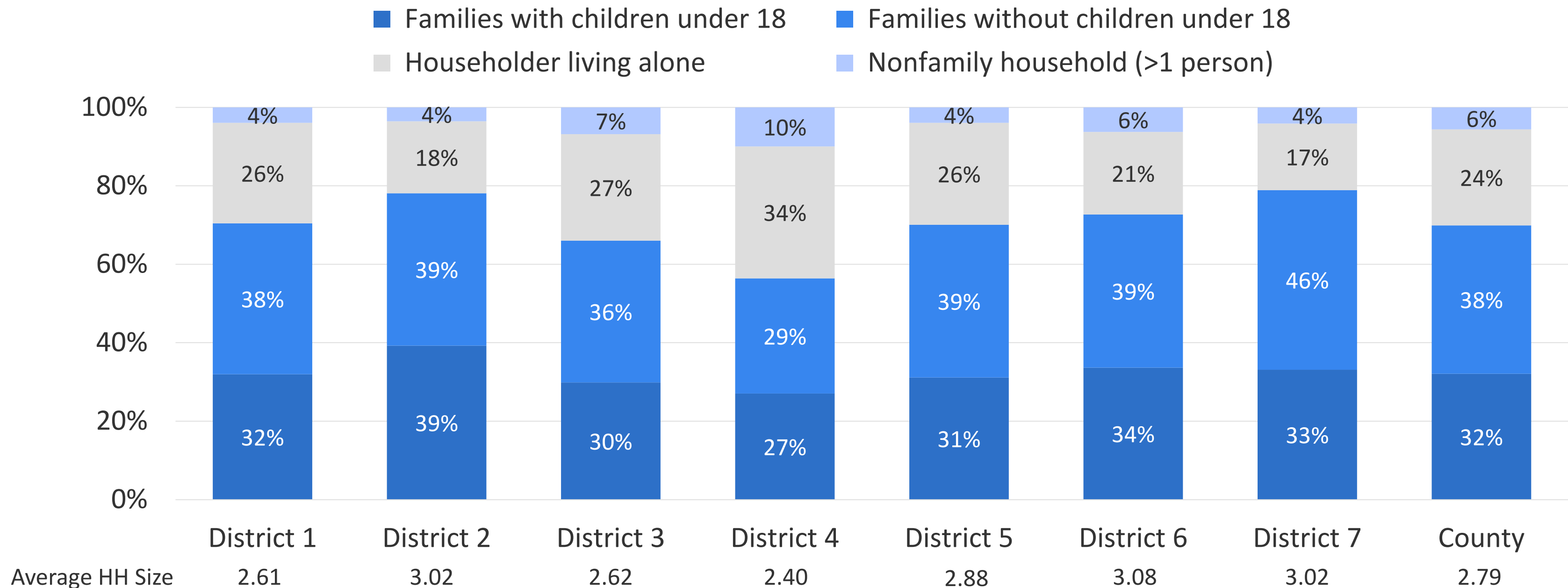
Household composition and age distribution

Household composition (1960-2021)



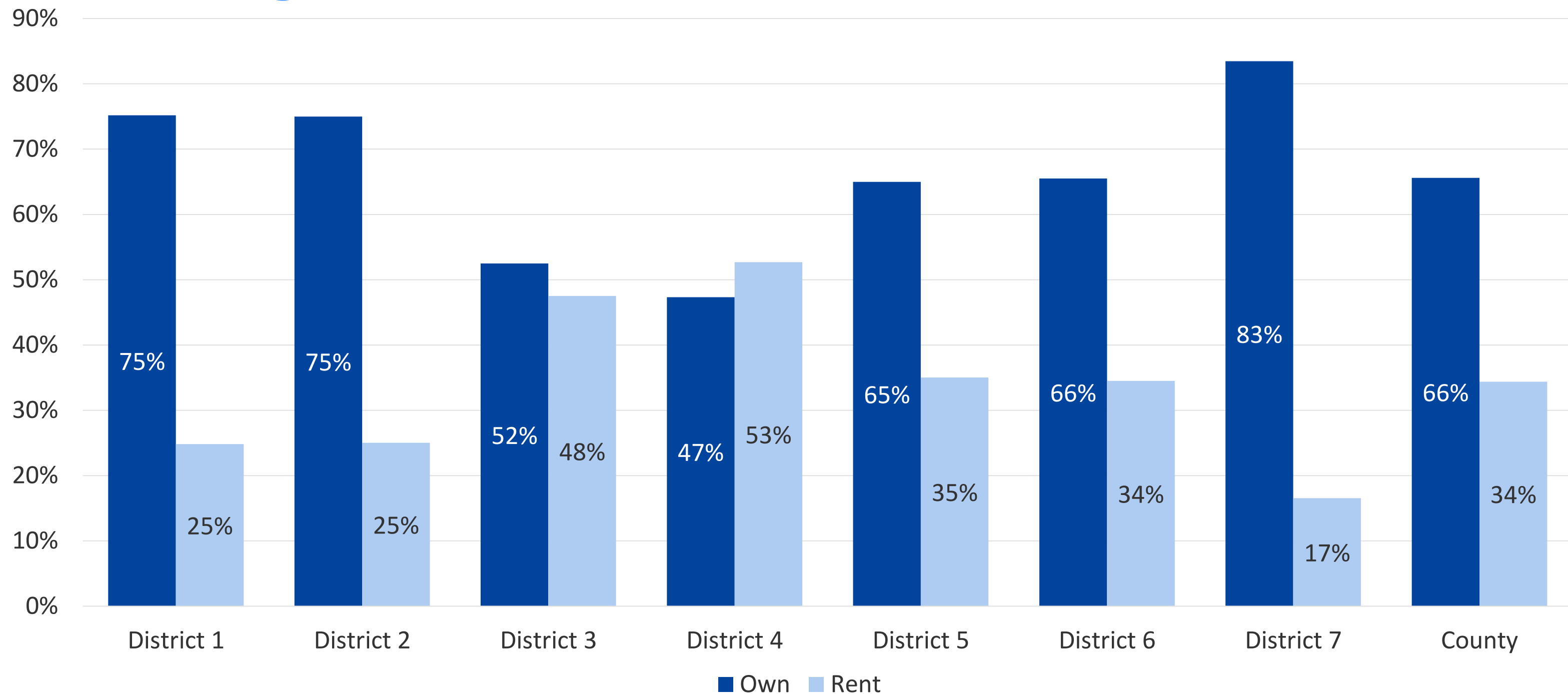
Source: 1960-2020 Decennial Census, 2021 American Community Survey, 1-year estimates, U.S. Census Bureau

Household composition by district and countywide



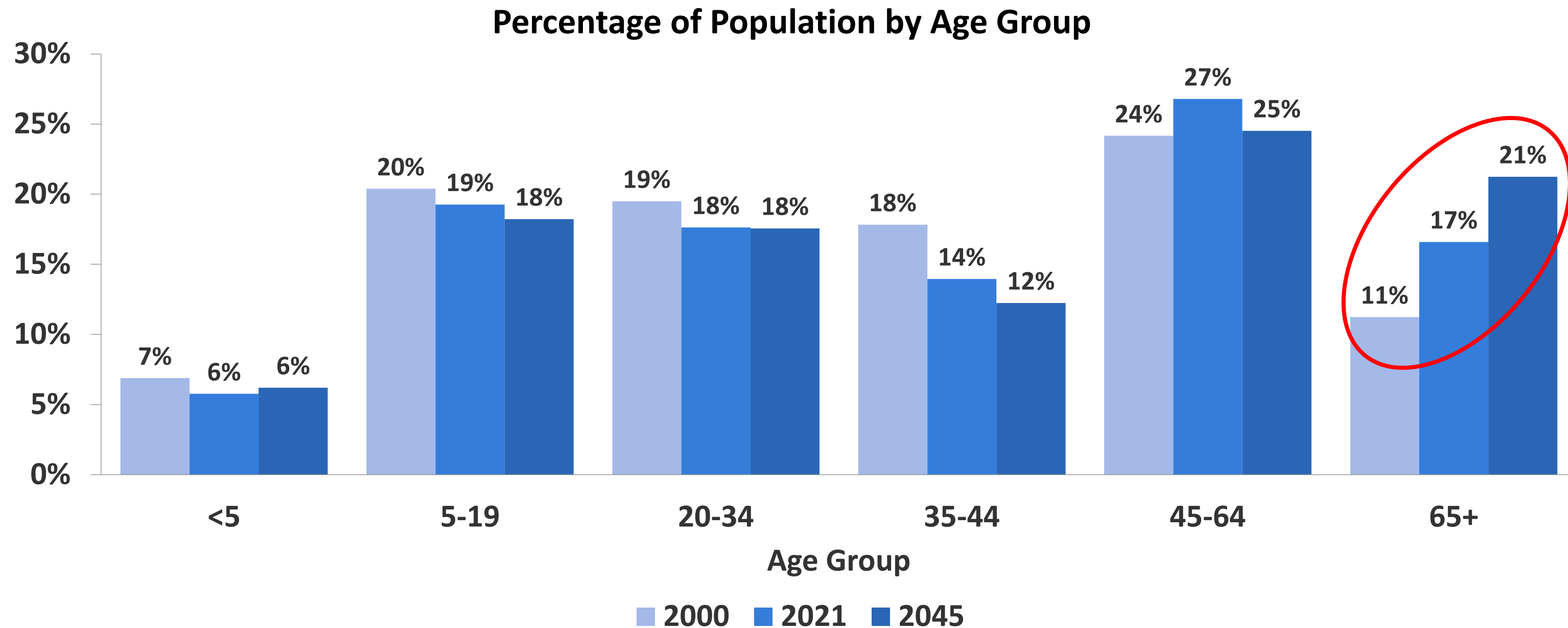
Source: 2016-2020 American Community Survey, 5-year estimate, US Census Bureau

Housing tenure by district and countywide



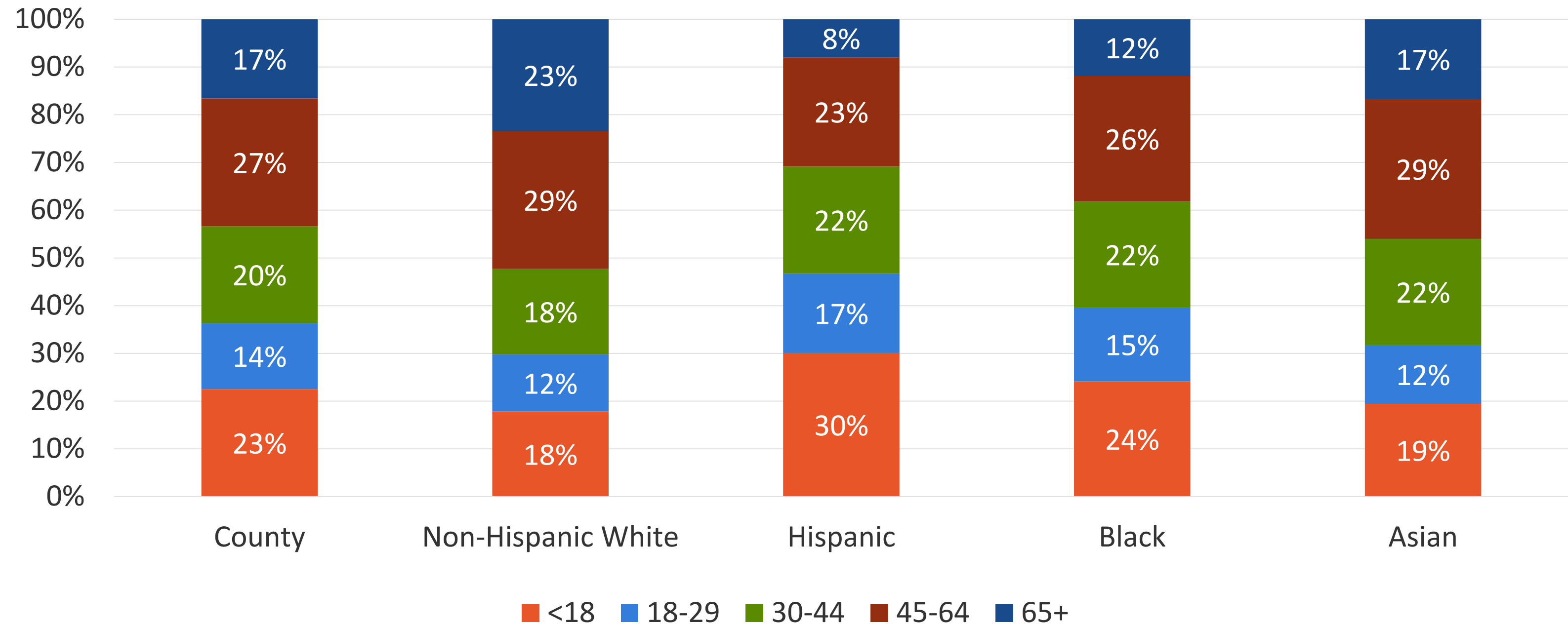
Source: 2016-2020 American Community Survey, 5-year estimate, US Census Bureau

Population projection by age



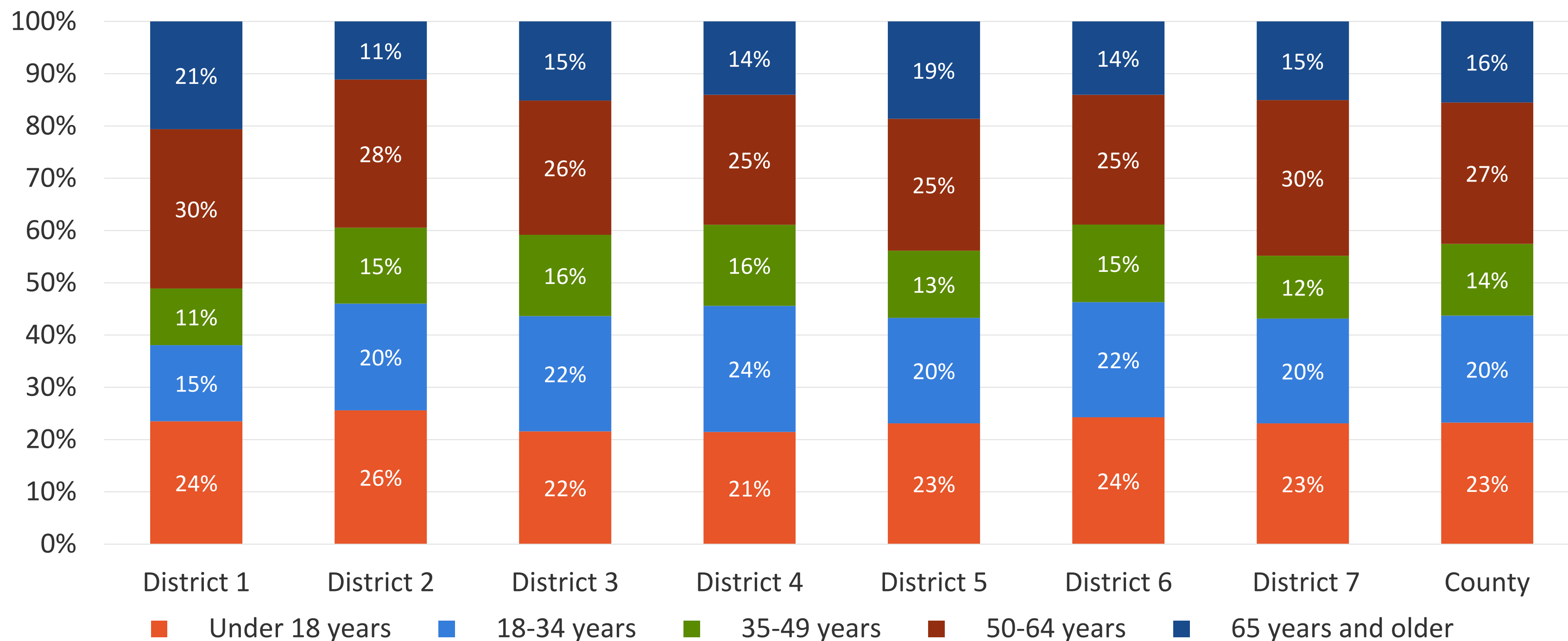
Source: 2021 Population Estimates, U.S. Census Bureau; Maryland Department of Planning Age Forecast (2020).

Age distribution by race or ethnicity



Source: 2021 Population Estimates Program, U.S. Census Bureau

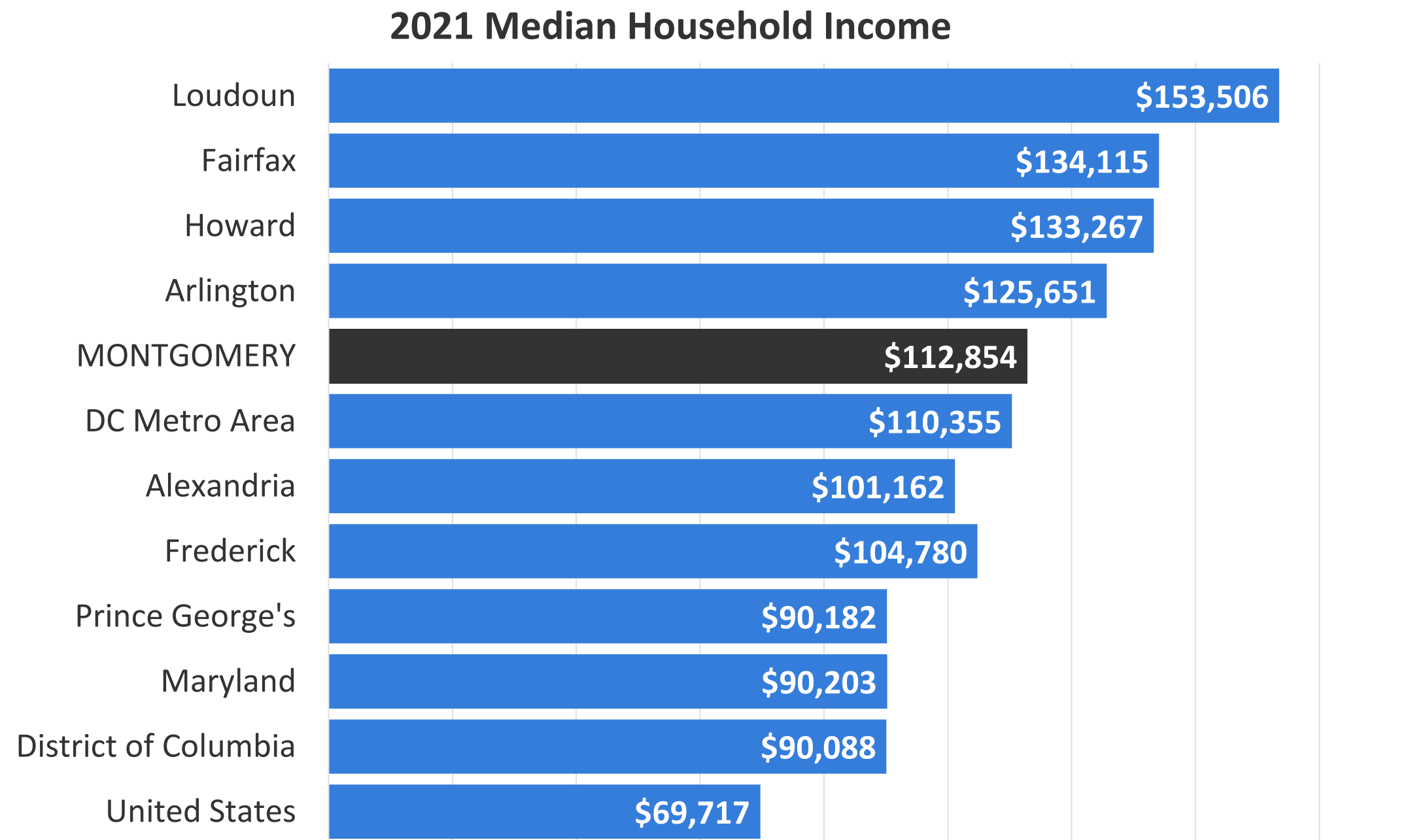
Age distribution by district and countywide



Source: 2016-2020 American Community Survey, 5-year estimate, US Census Bureau

Income, education, and workforce

Median income regional comparison



Source: 2021 American Community Survey, 1-year estimate, U.S. Census Bureau

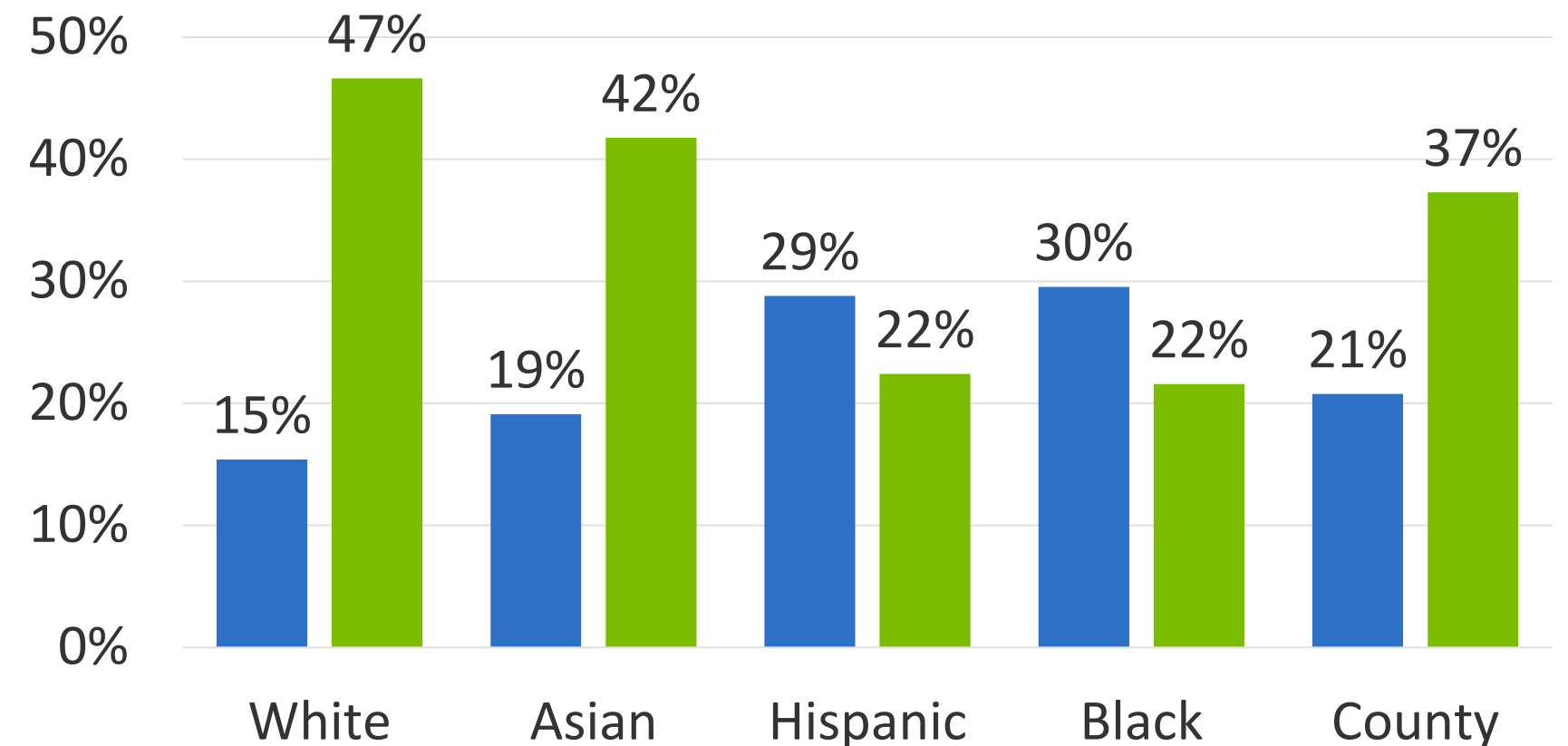
Income distribution by race

2021 MEDIAN HOUSEHOLD INCOME

White, not Hispanic	\$142,695
Asian	\$123,183
COUNTY	\$112,854
Hispanic	\$86,302
Black or African Am.	\$83,194

1 in 5 households has an income <\$50,000

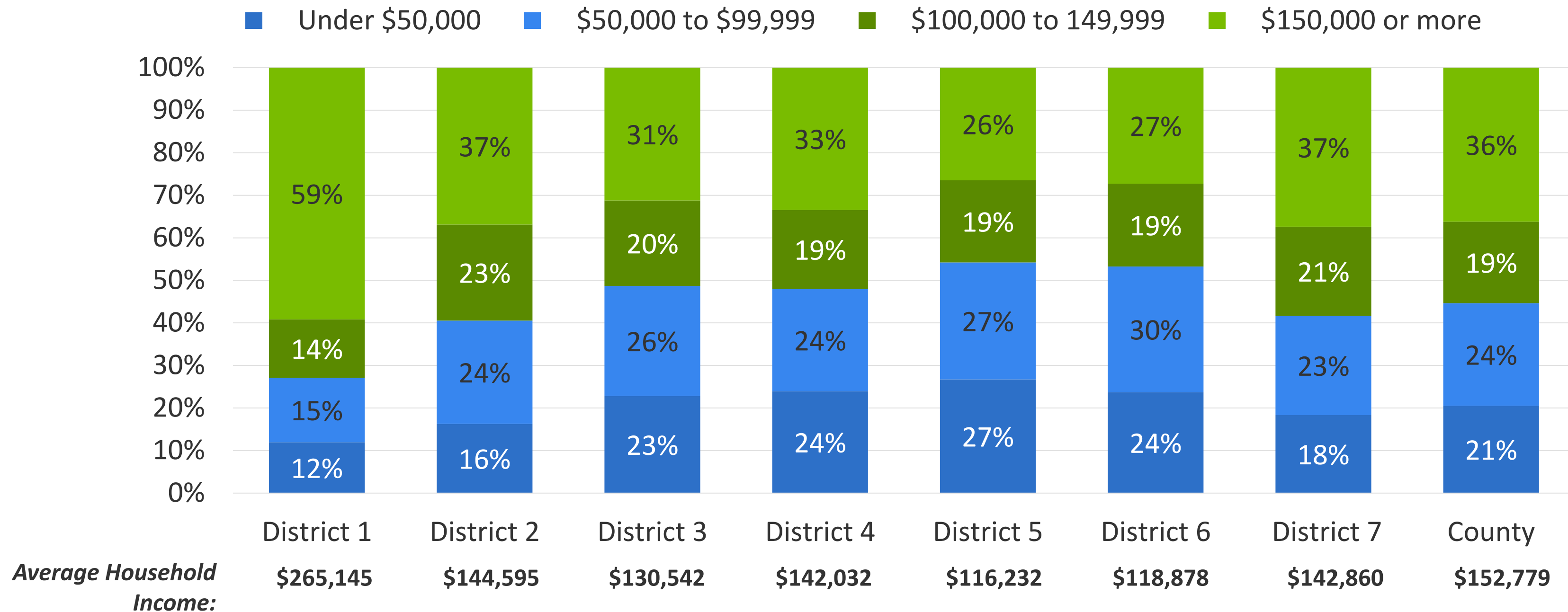
■ <\$50,000 ■ \$150,000+



	White	Asian	Hispanic	Black	County
Households <\$50k	29,278	10,934	16,826	21,929	78,967
Households \$150k+	88,715	23,886	13,096	16,022	141,719
Total Households	190,250	57,205	58,438	74,217	380,110

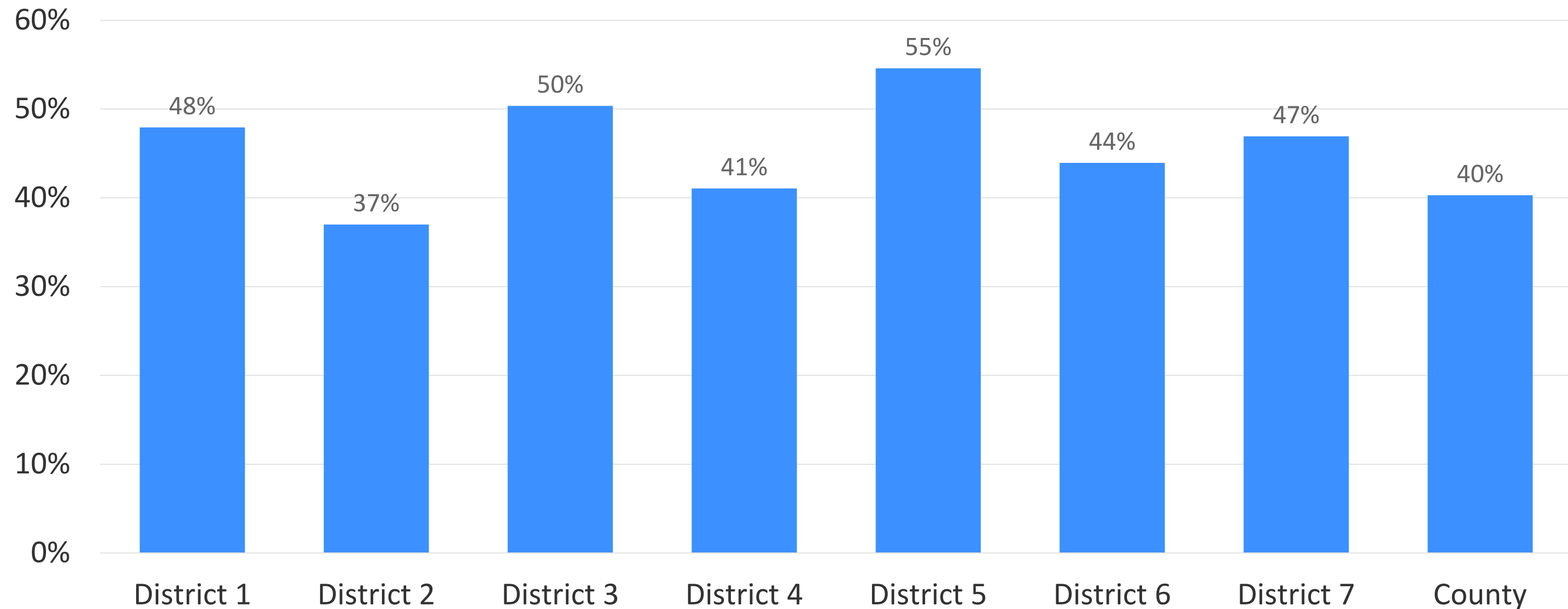
Source: 2021 American Community Survey, 1-year estimate, U.S. Census Bureau

Income distribution by district and countywide



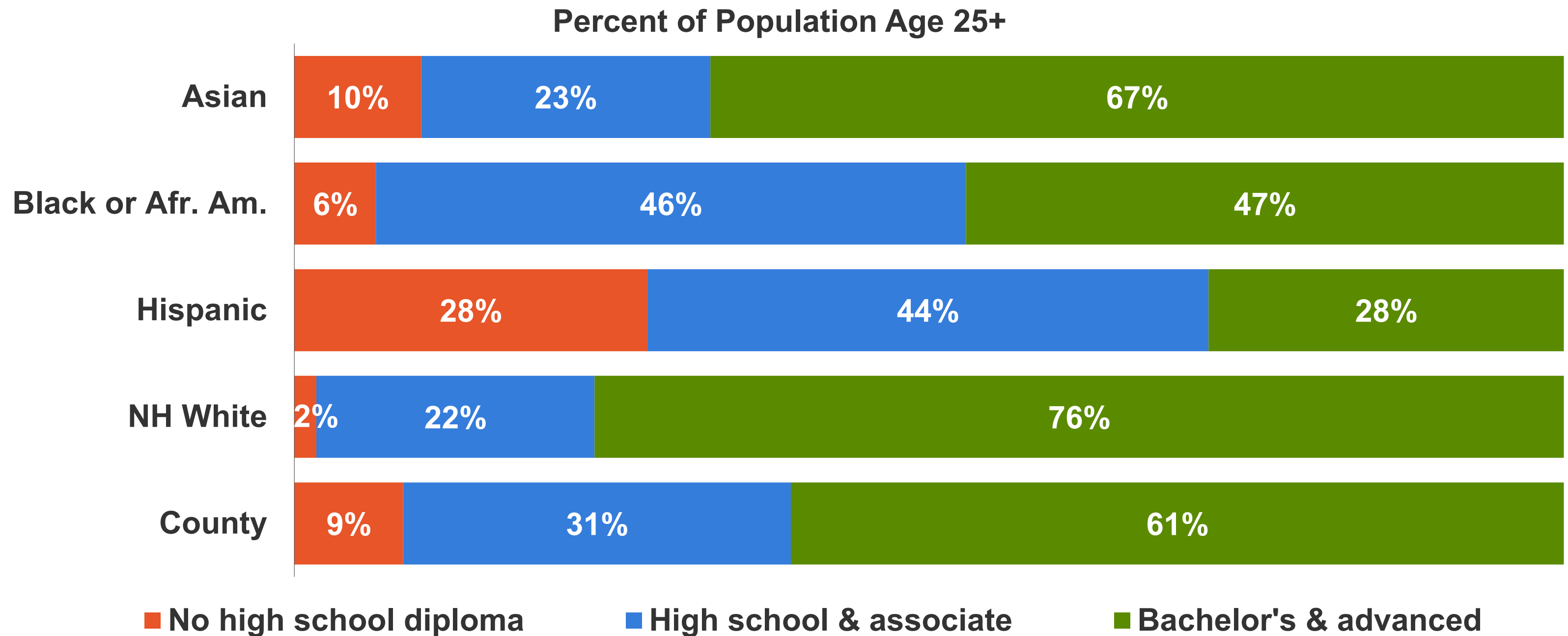
Source: 2016-2020 American Community Survey, 5-year estimate, US Census Bureau

Percentage of renter households spending >35% of income on housing costs



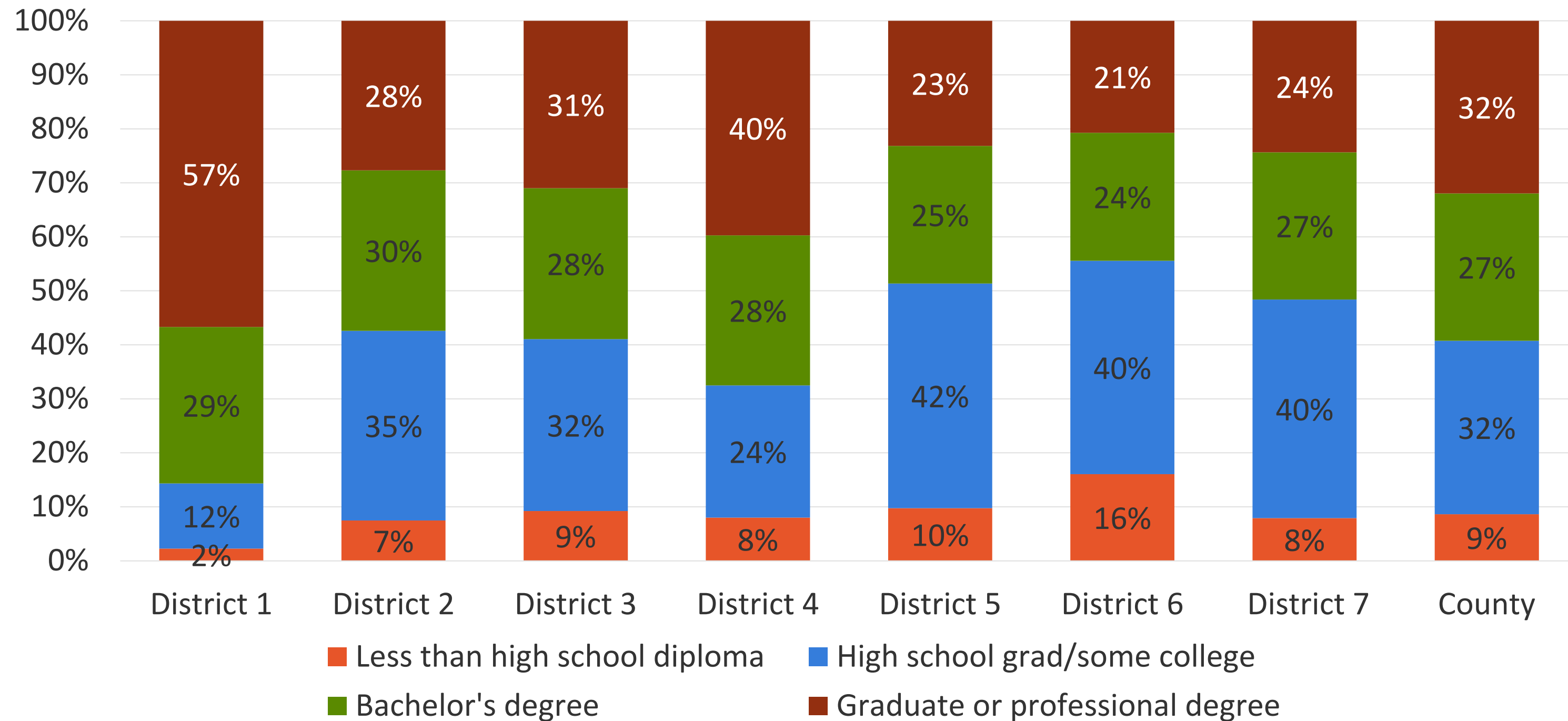
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Educational attainment by race



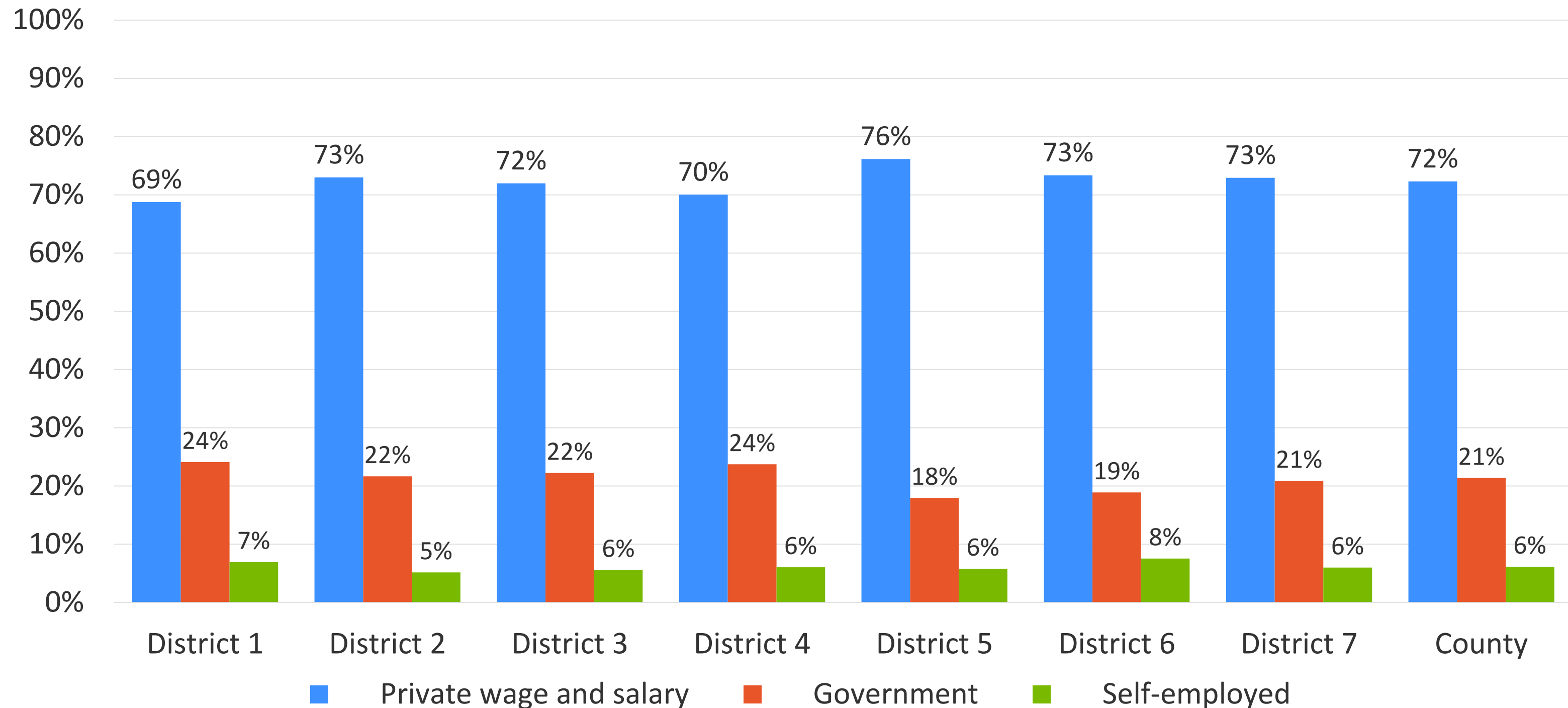
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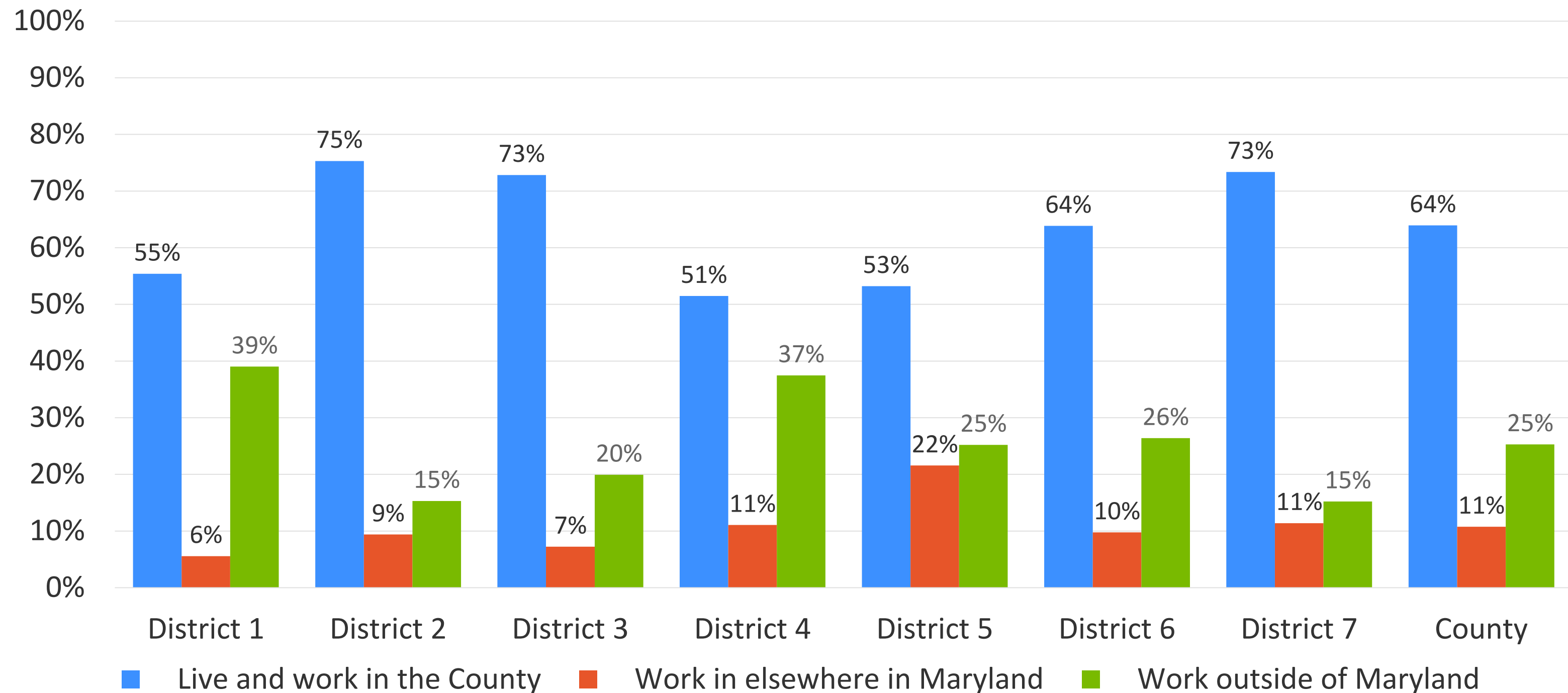
Source: 2016-2020 American Community Survey, 5-year estimate, US Census Bureau

Worker type by district and countywide



Source: 2016-2020 American Community Survey, 5-year estimate, US Census Bureau; Civilian only

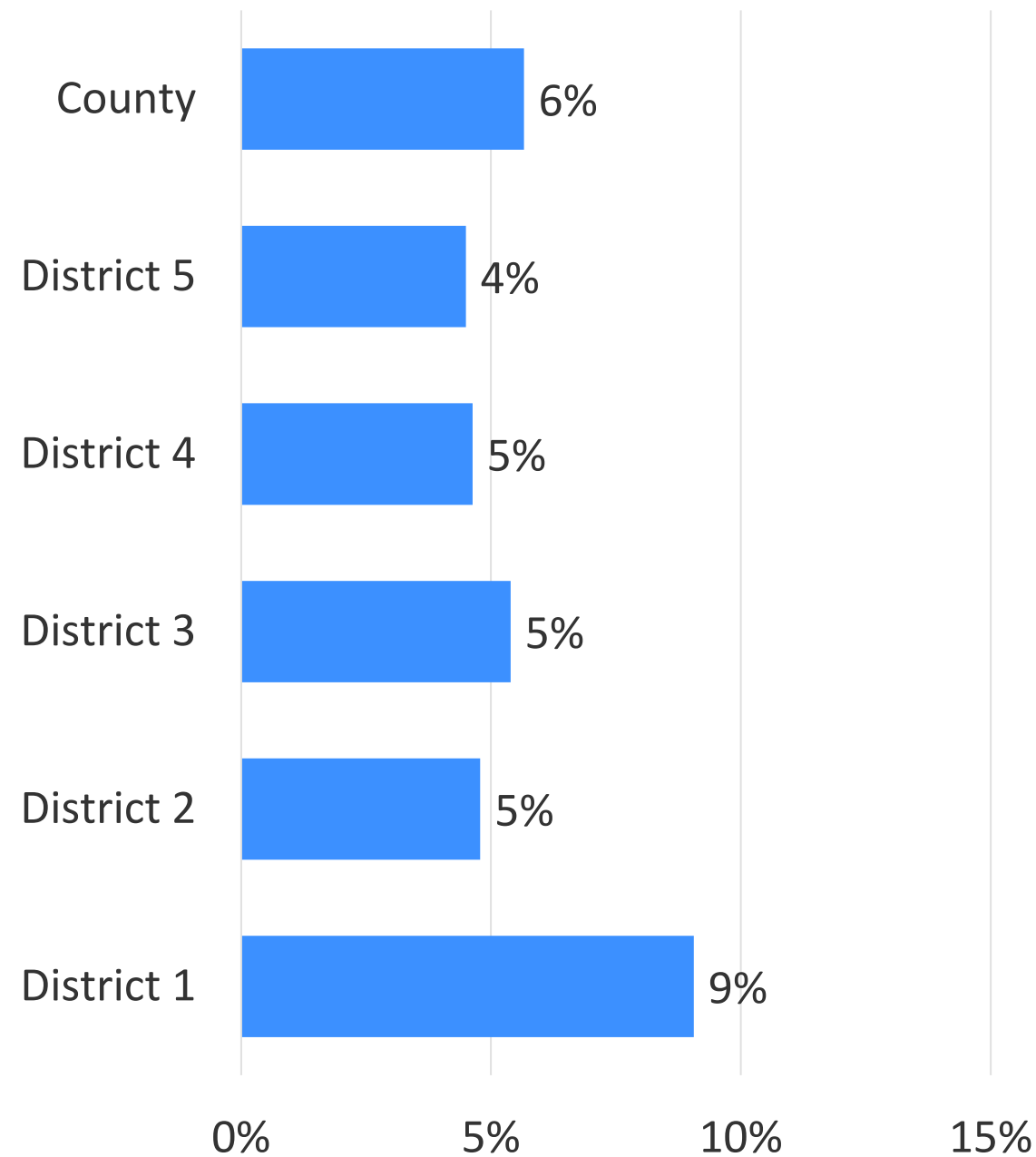
Place of work by district and countywide



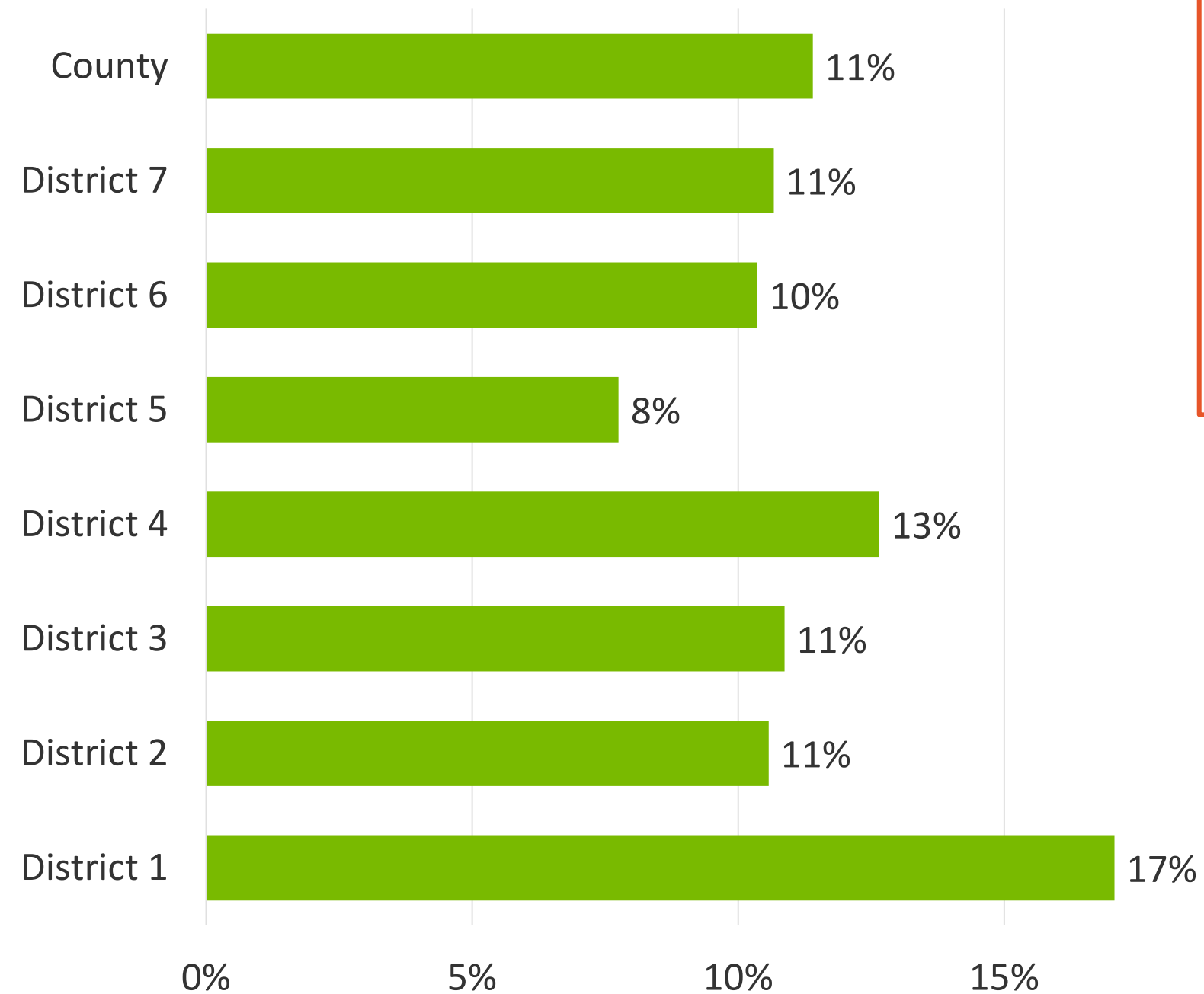
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Percentage of people working from home by district and countywide

2012-2016 American Community Survey



2016-2020 American Community Survey



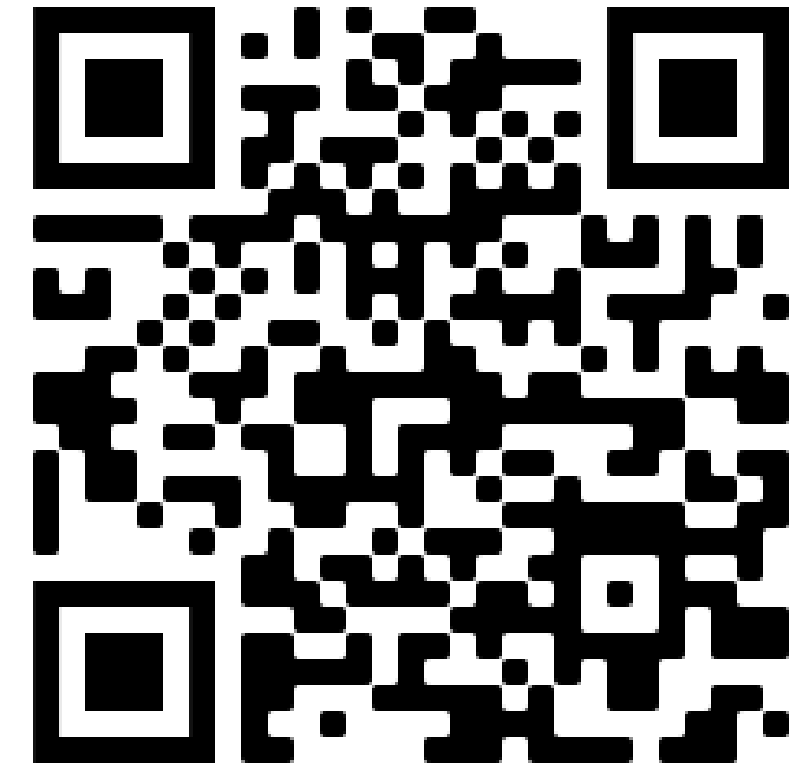
2021 American Community Survey

37%

Source: 2012-2016 American Community Survey, 5-year estimate, 2016-2020 American Community Survey, 5-year estimate, US Census Bureau

Research resources

- [Trends in Racial and Ethnic Diversity in Montgomery County \(1990-2020\)](#)
- [Council District Demographic Profiles \(2020\)](#)
- [Neighborhood Change in the Washington Metropolitan Area](#)
- [Montgomery County Economic Indicators Briefing, Q3 2022](#)
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