

Fayette County Community Profile

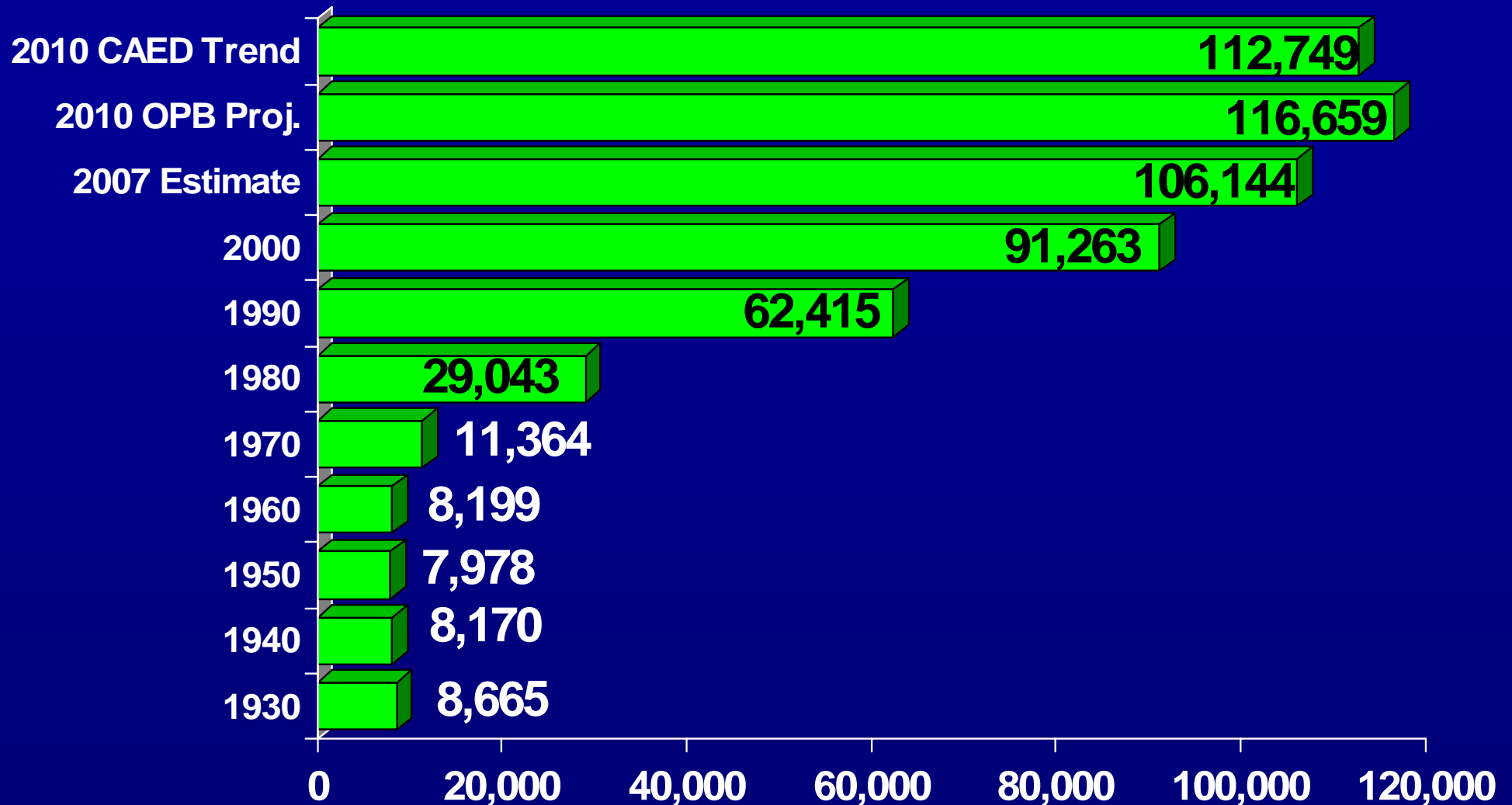


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**51st in order of
county creation
May 15, 1821**

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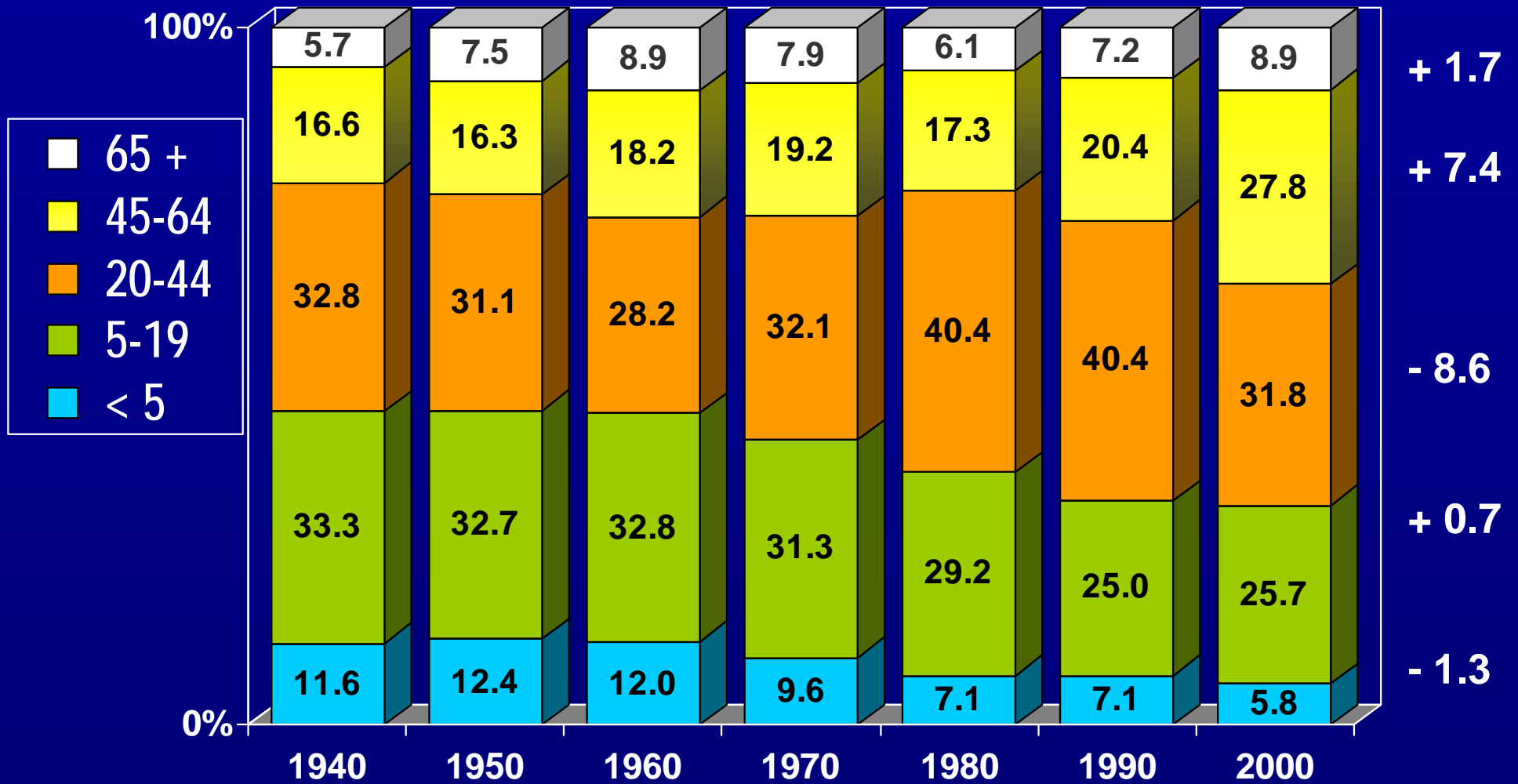
Total Population Fayette County



Primary data sources: U.S. Census Bureau, decennial censuses & estimate; OPB (State Office of Planning & Budget); CAED (Center for Agribusiness and Economic Development) 3/08.

Population Composition by Age Fayette County

Change in proportion
1990-2000



2007 Estimated Median Age

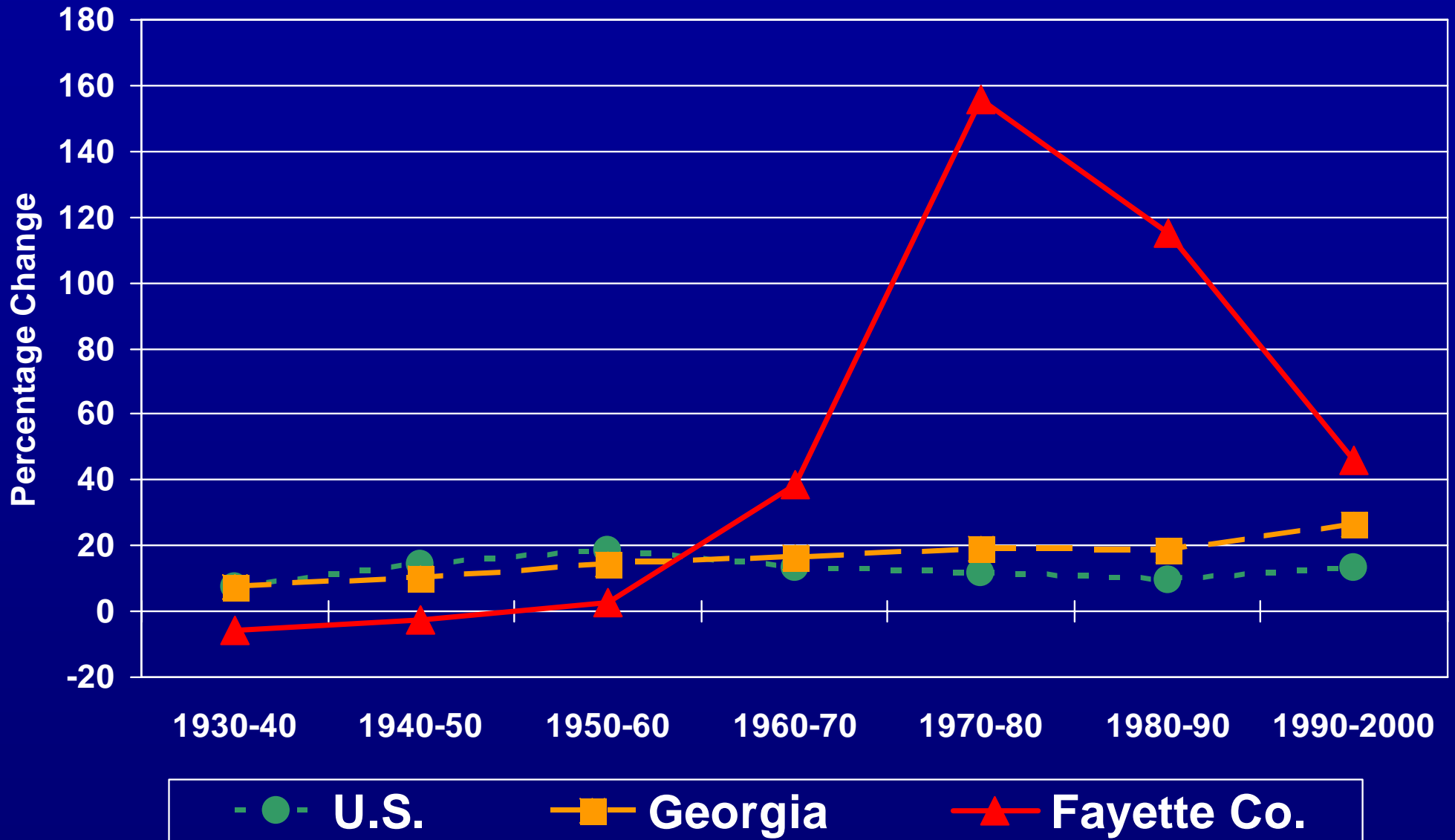
Fayette Co. = 40.8 yrs.

GA = 34.7 yrs.

2007 County Population Comparisons

County	Total	Total Rank	Density per sq.mi. land area	% Chg. 2000-07	Rank of % Chg.
FAYETTE	106,144	21	538.7	16.3	39
CLAYTON	272,217	5	1,908.7	15.1	42
COWETA	118,936	17	268.7	33.3	13
FULTON	992,137	1	1,876.7	21.6	25
HENRY	186,037	10	576.5	55.9	3
MERIWETHER	22,748	78	45.2	1.0	114
SPALDING	62,826	35	317.4	7.5	77

Population Change: 1930-2000



Primary data source: U.S. Census Bureau

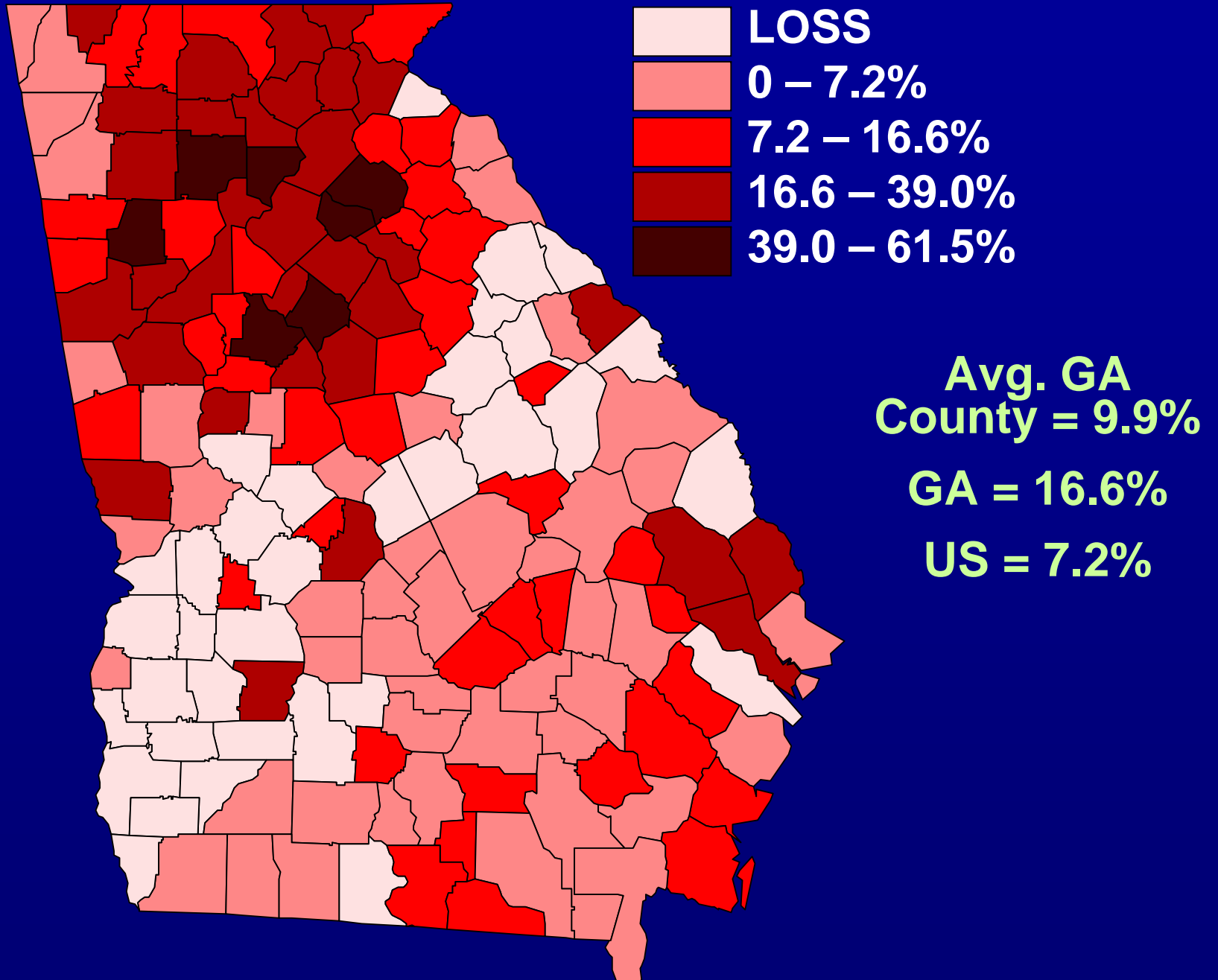
Components of Population Change

Natural Increase & Net Migration*

Area	2000-2007 Numerical Change*	2000-2007 # Natural Increase (Births-Deaths)	2000-2007 # Net Migration	2006-07 1-yr Natural Increase Rate	2006-07 1 yr.Net Migration Rate
FAYETTE	14,881	2,580	12,715	3.7	8.8
CLAYTON	35,700	23,387	13,512	12.1	-0.7
COWETA	29,721	6,813	23,342	9.5	32.0
FULTON	176,302	52,429	23,631	7.8	20.5
HENRY	66,693	12,208	54,718	12.7	34.9
MERIWETHER	220	379	-65	0.8	-11.9
SPALDING	4,409	2,432	2,235	5.4	8.3
Avg. County	8,540	3,283	4,564	5.3	6.6
GEORGIA	1,357,934	521,982	725,733	8.3	13.3

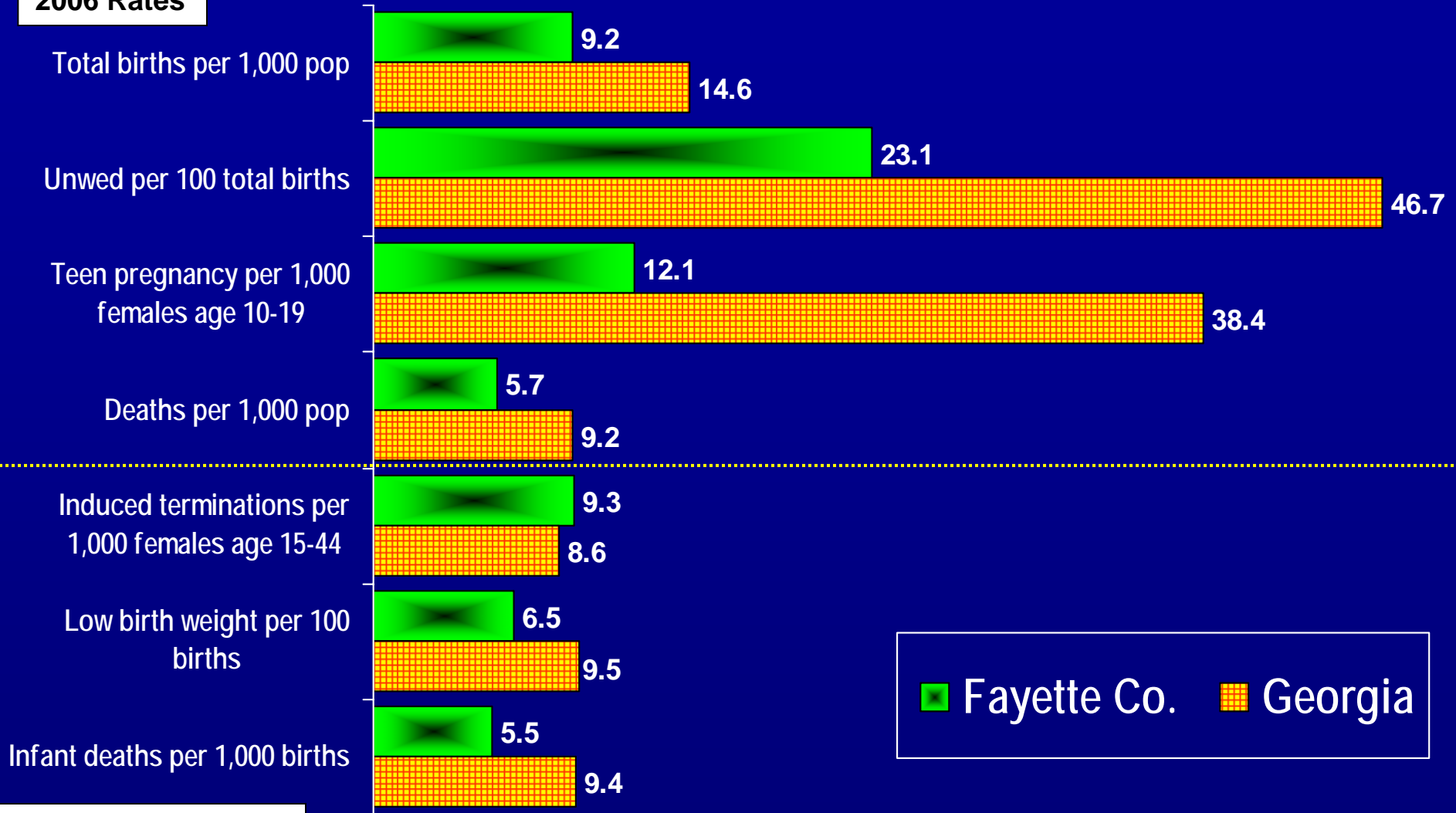
* Numerical change includes "residual" not represented in either NI or NM.

Population Change: 2000-2007



Selected Vital Statistics

2006 Rates



10-yr. rates 1997-2006

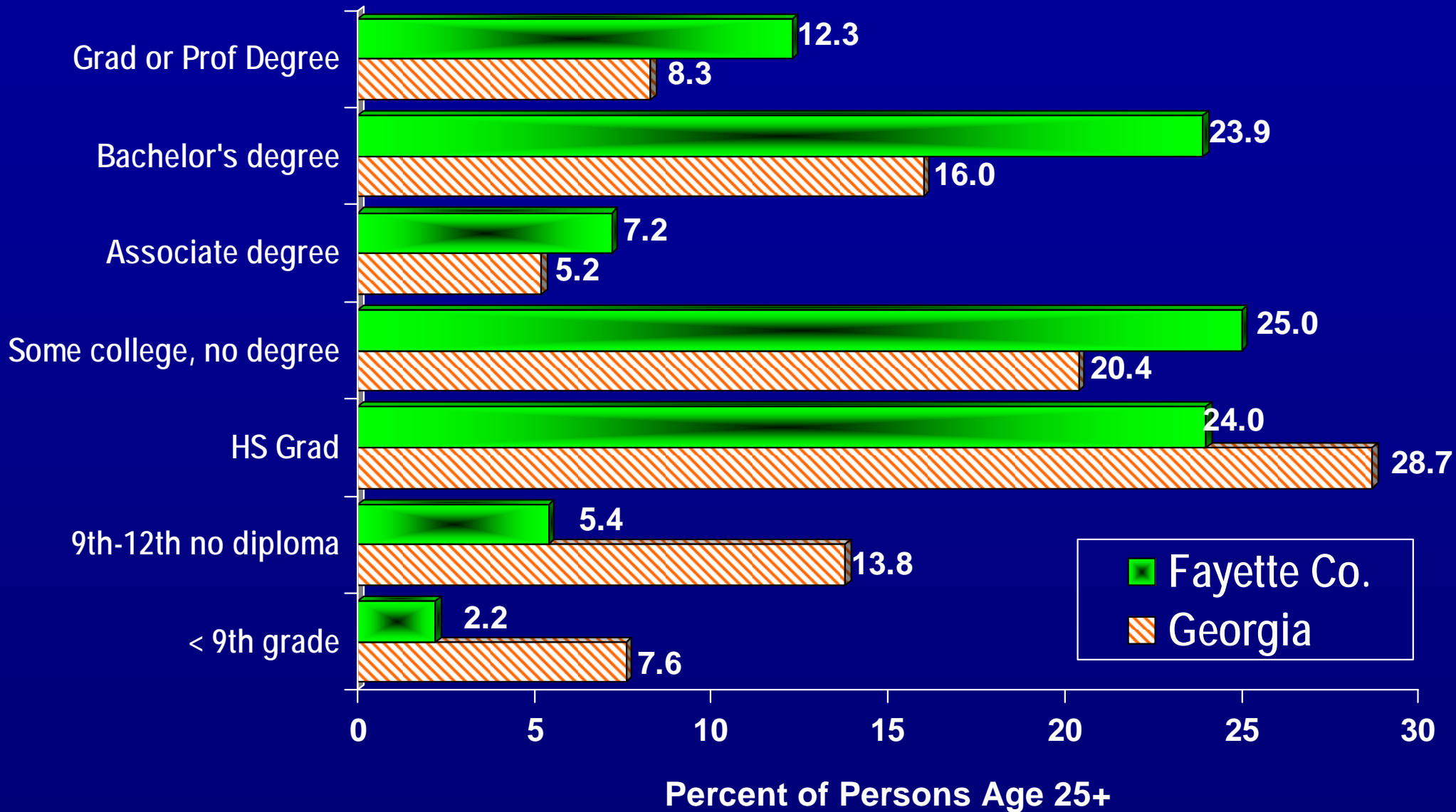
2006 Fayette Co. Natality Data

978 total births, 226 unwed births
 186 induced terminations
 99 teen pregnancies
 61 low birth weight babies

2006 Fayette Co. Mortality Data

607 total deaths
 2 infant deaths

Highest Level of Educational Attainment: 2000



Fayette Co.

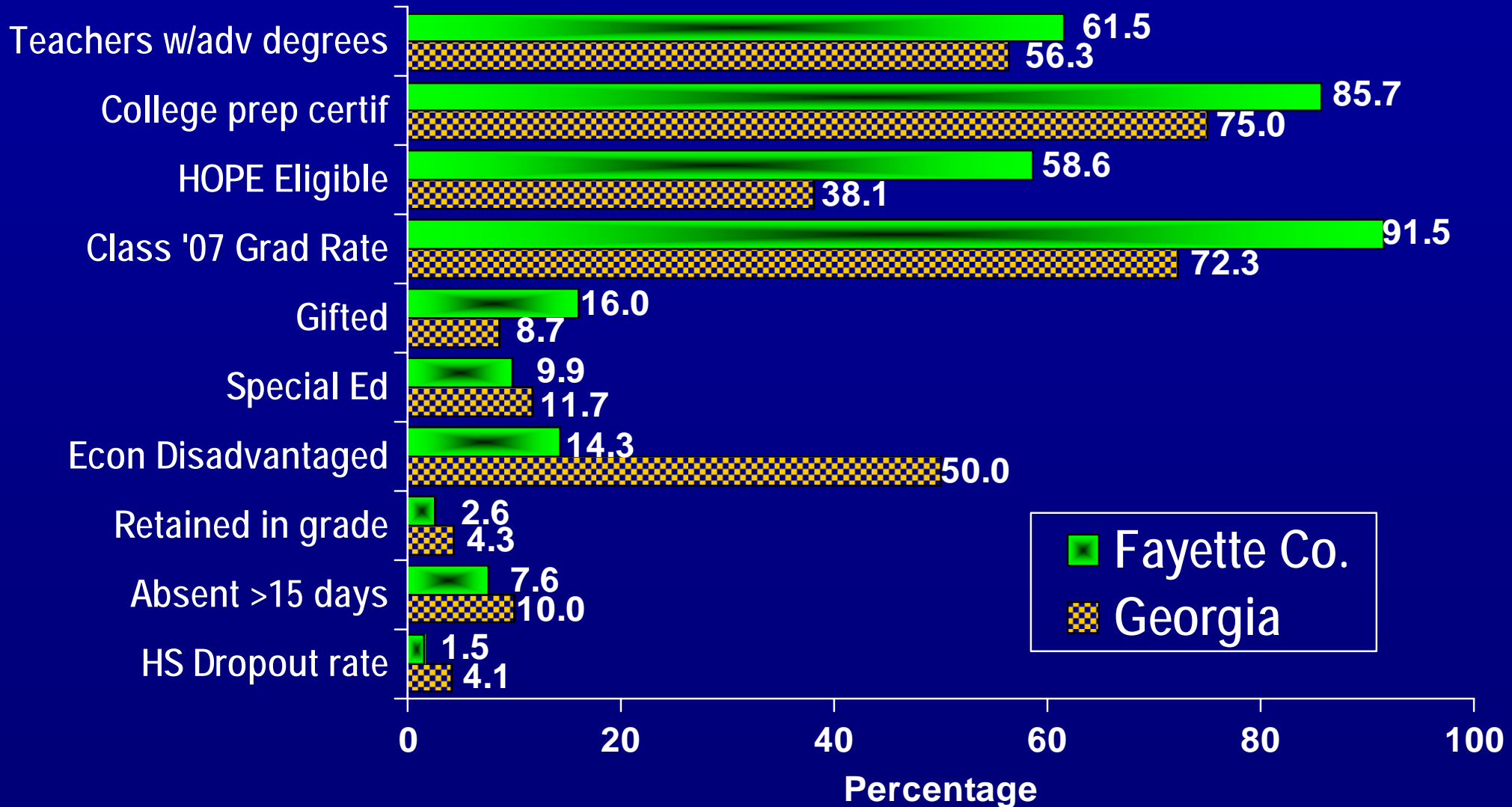
Not completing HS = 7.6%

With a bachelor's + degree = 36.2%

Primary data source: U.S. Census Bureau

Selected Public School Statistics

School Year 2006-07



Fayette Co.

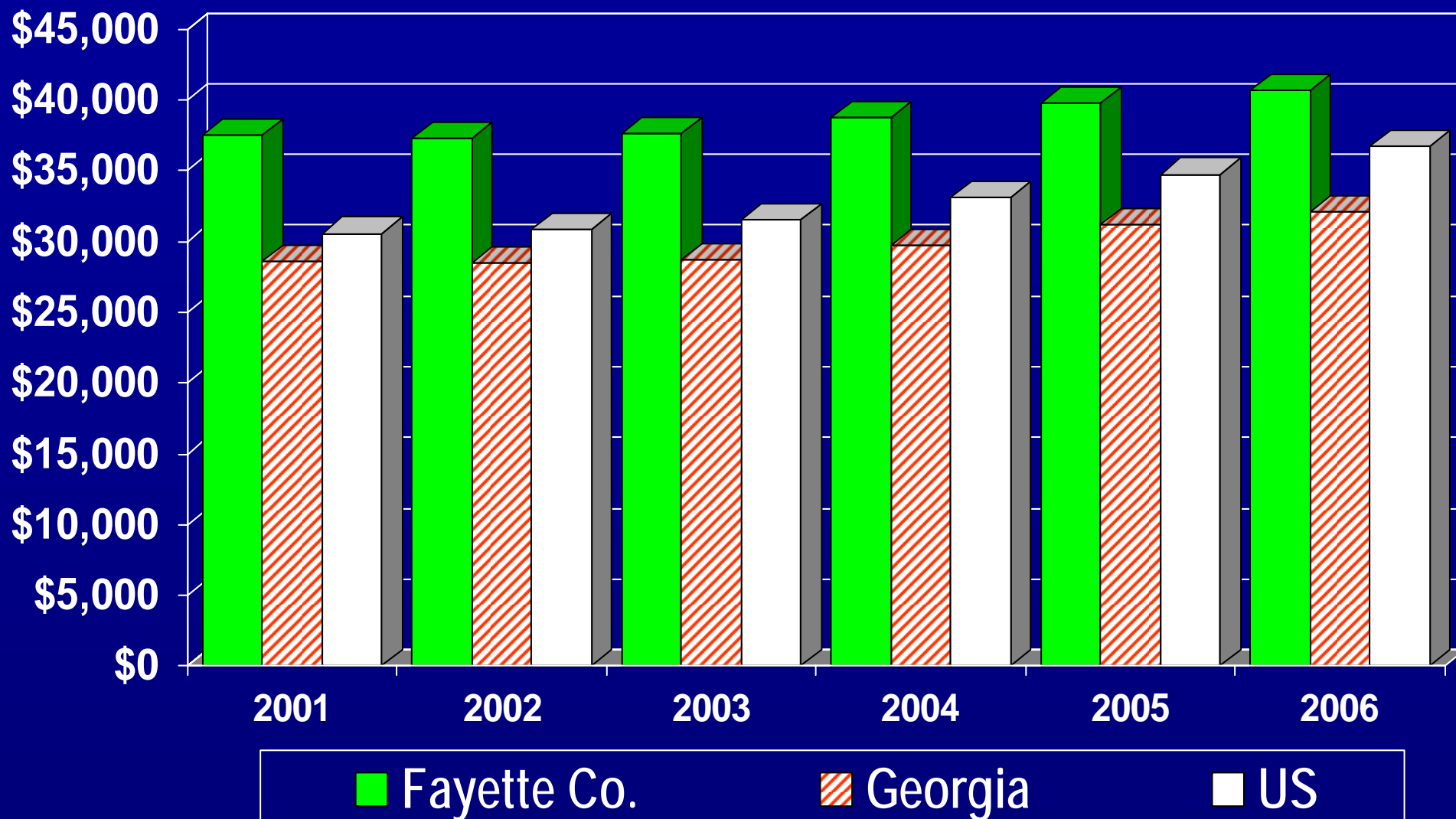
K12 enrollment = 22,242

HS dropouts = 126

General Fund Expenditures per FTE = \$8,285

Primary data source:
Governor's Office of Student Achievement

Per Capita Income: 2001-2006

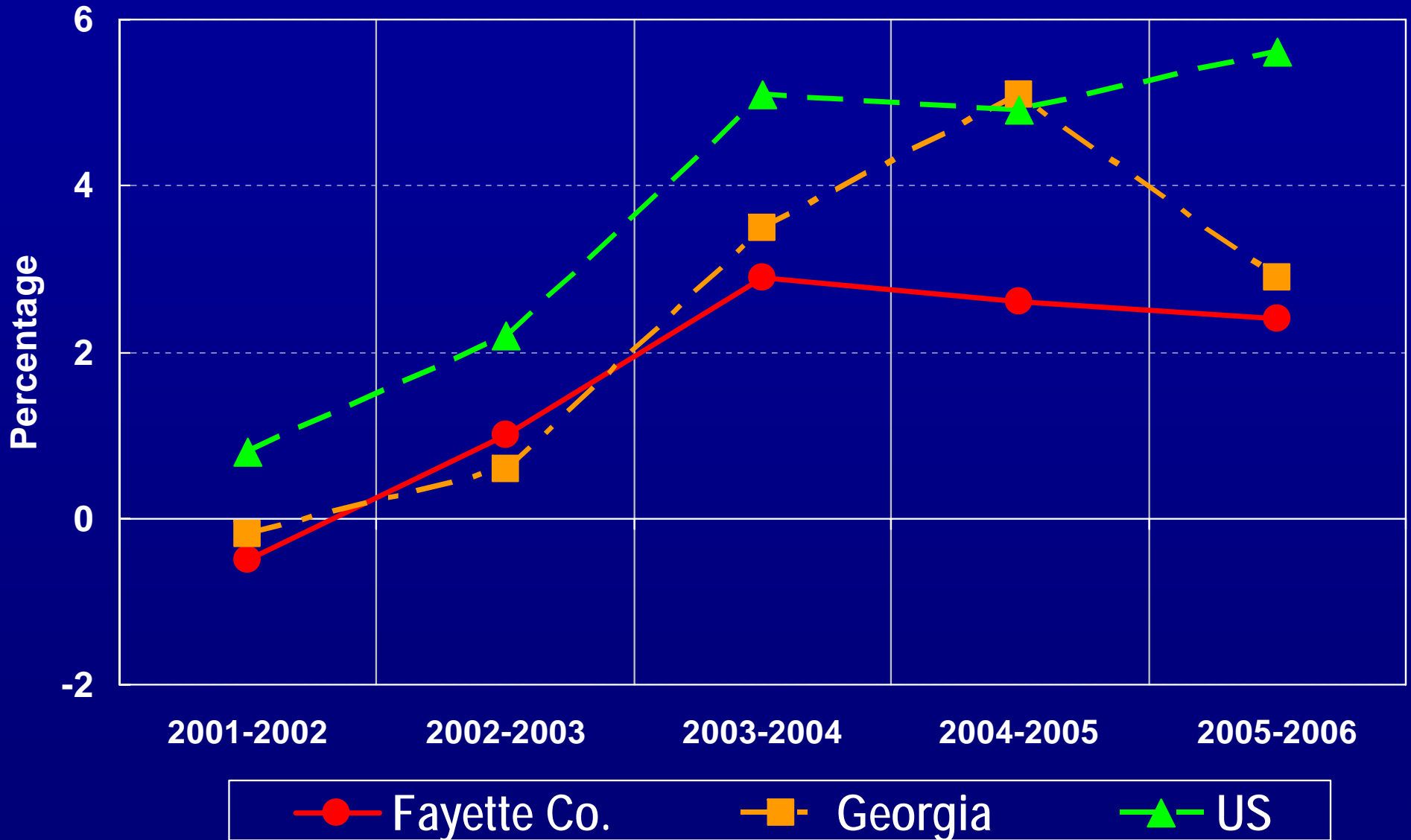


2006 PCI
Fayette Co. = \$40,691

Georgia = \$32,095
US = \$36,714

Per Capita Income: 2001-2006

Percentage Change

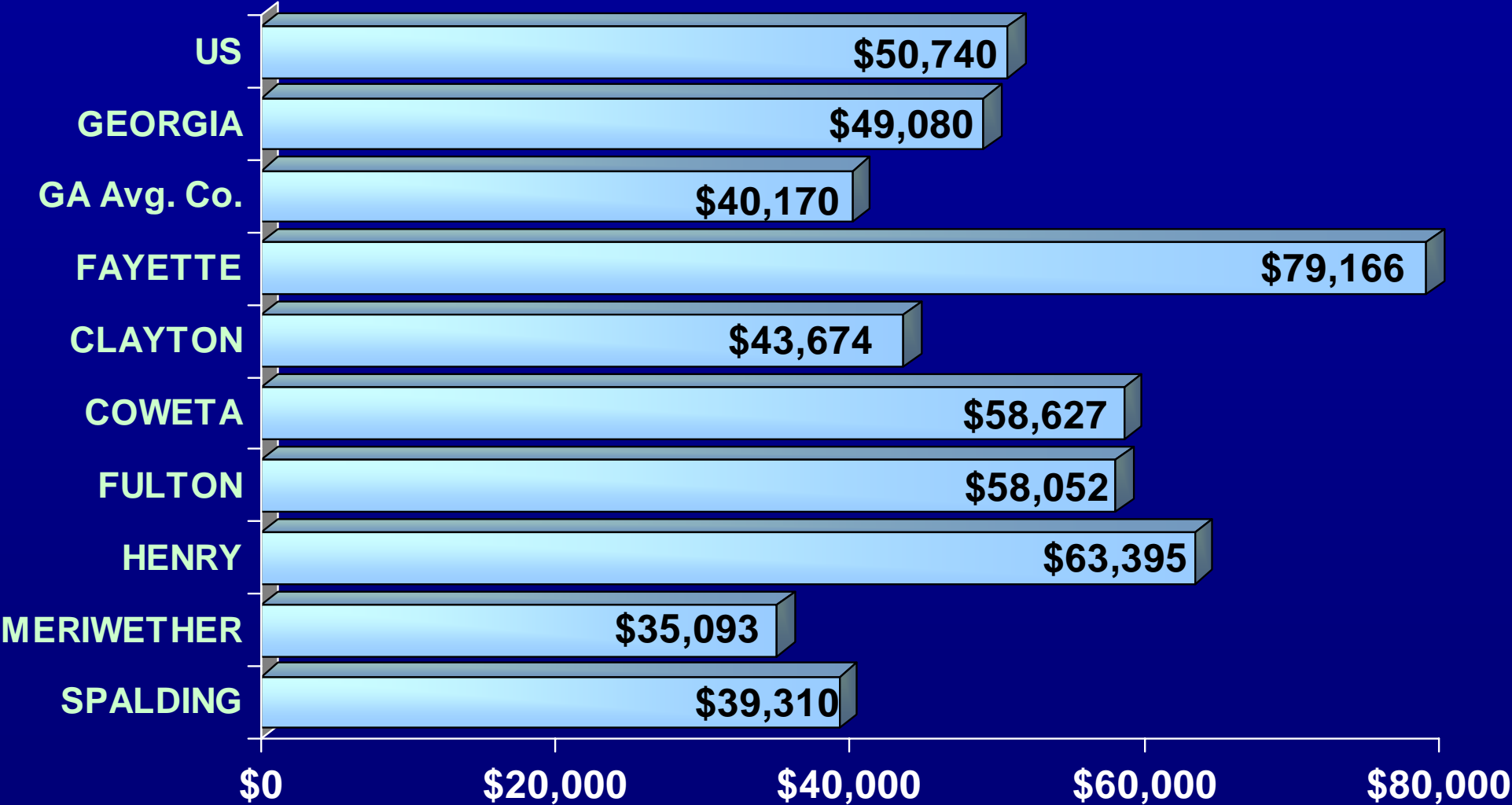


Per Capita Income: 2006

County	PCI	Rank of PCI	% PCI of GA Total	% Change in PCI 2001-2006
FAYETTE	\$40,691	3	126.8	8.5
CLAYTON	\$22,751	108	70.9	5.2
COWETA	\$29,142	27	90.8	6.7
FULTON	\$51,476	1	160.4	13.0
HENRY	\$26,876	44	83.7	-3.0
MERIWETHER	\$22,004	126	68.6	8.6
SPALDING	\$26,481	50	82.5	12.0
GA Avg. Co.	\$25,483	--	79.4	14.5

Median Household Income

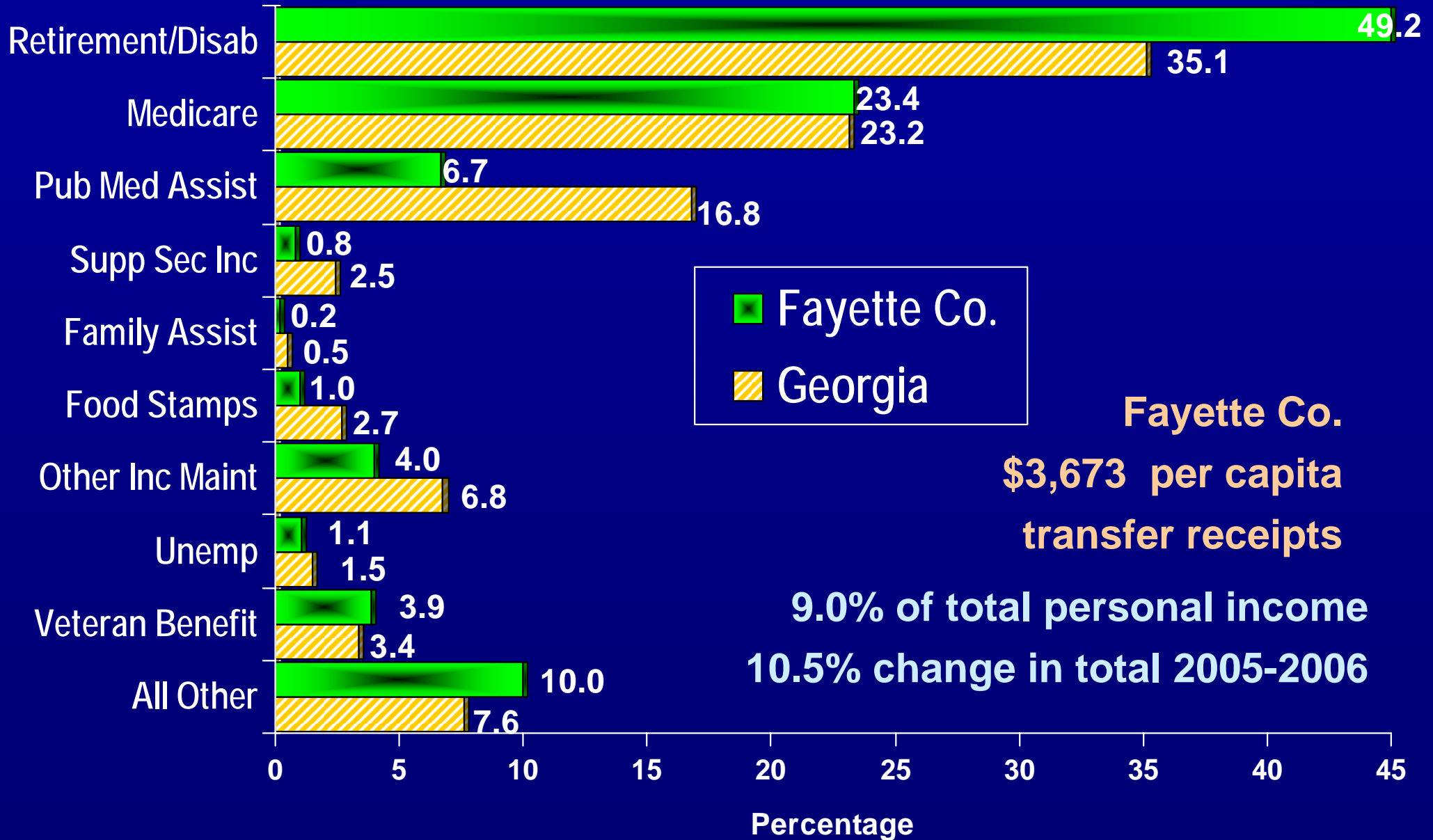
2007 Model-Based Estimates



Primary data source: U. S. Census Bureau (12/08)

Transfer Receipts: 2006

Fayette Co. Total = \$385,661,000

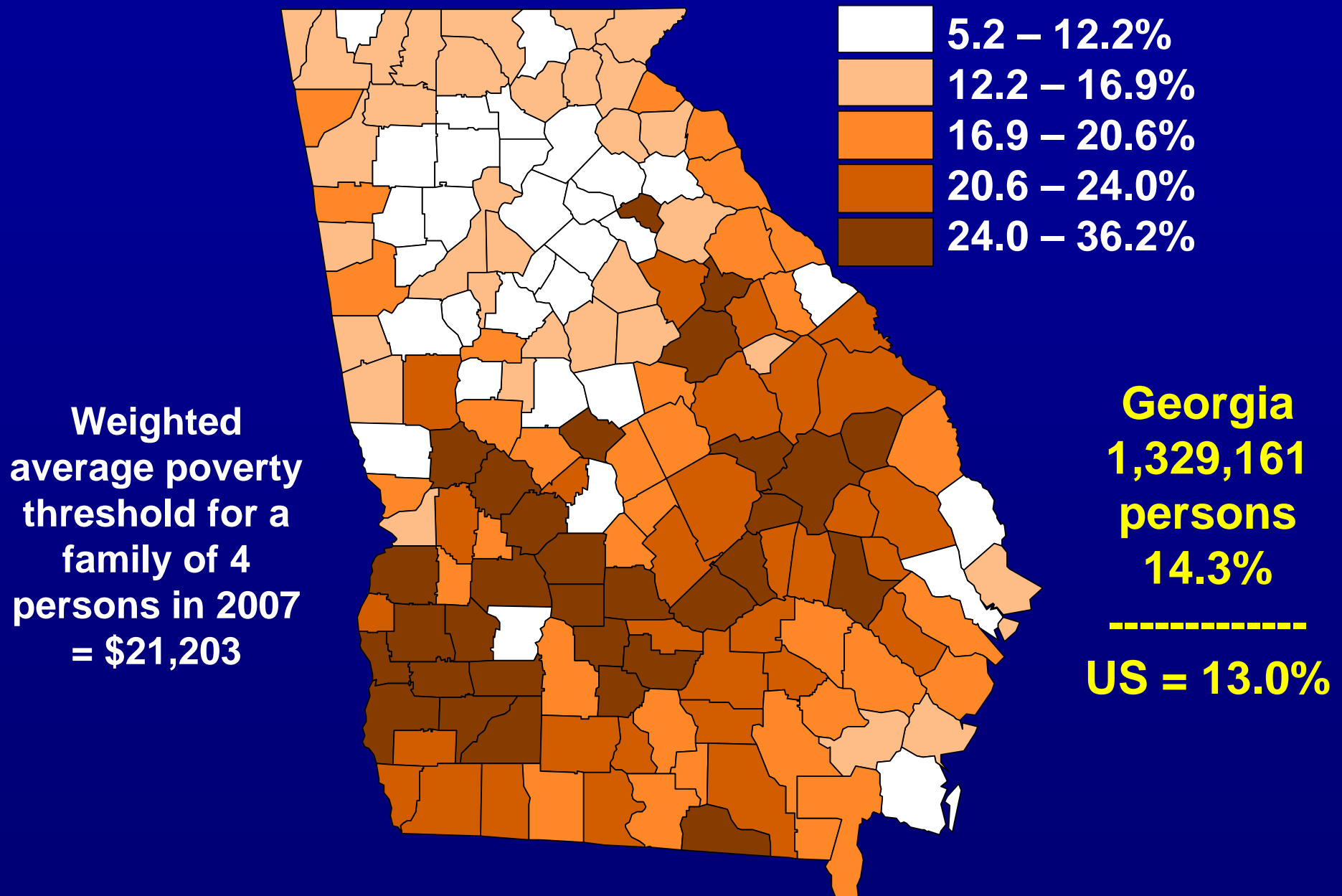


Persons Living Below Poverty Level

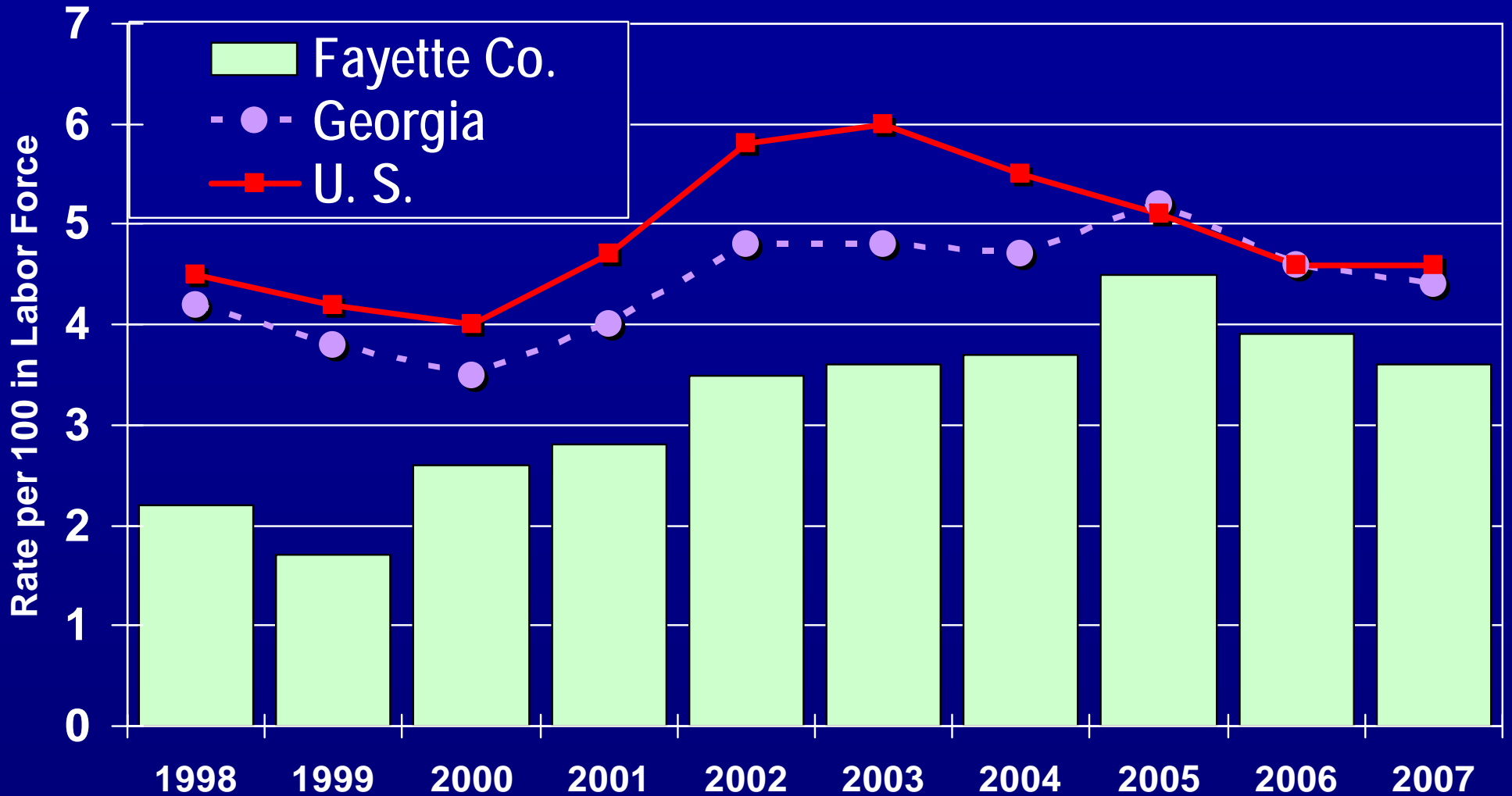
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County	# of Persons	% of all Persons	Rank of %
FAYETTE	5,630	5.3	2
CLAYTON	34,798	13.0	36
COWETA	11,896	10.1	15
FULTON	137,071	14.2	43
HENRY	13,663	7.4	7
MERIWETHER	4,654	20.9	101
SPALDING	11,948	19.4	86
GA Avg. Co.	8,359	18.6	--

Persons Living Below the Poverty Level 2007 Model-Based Estimates



Average Annual Unemployment Rates



2007 Rates

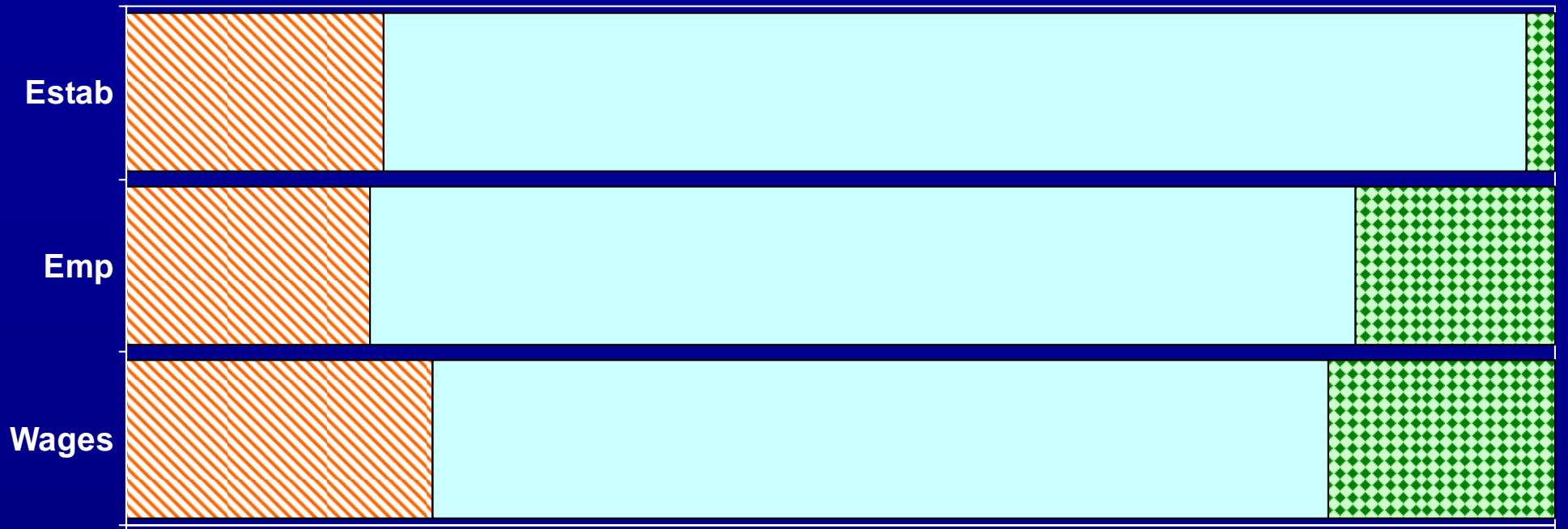
Fayette Co. = 3.6

GA = 4.4

US = 4.6

Avg. GA County = 4.9

Business Establishments, Employment and Wages Fayette Co. 2007 Annual Averages, % of Total



Goods Producing
 Service Producing
 Government

**Agriculture, Mining,
Construction,
Manufacturing**

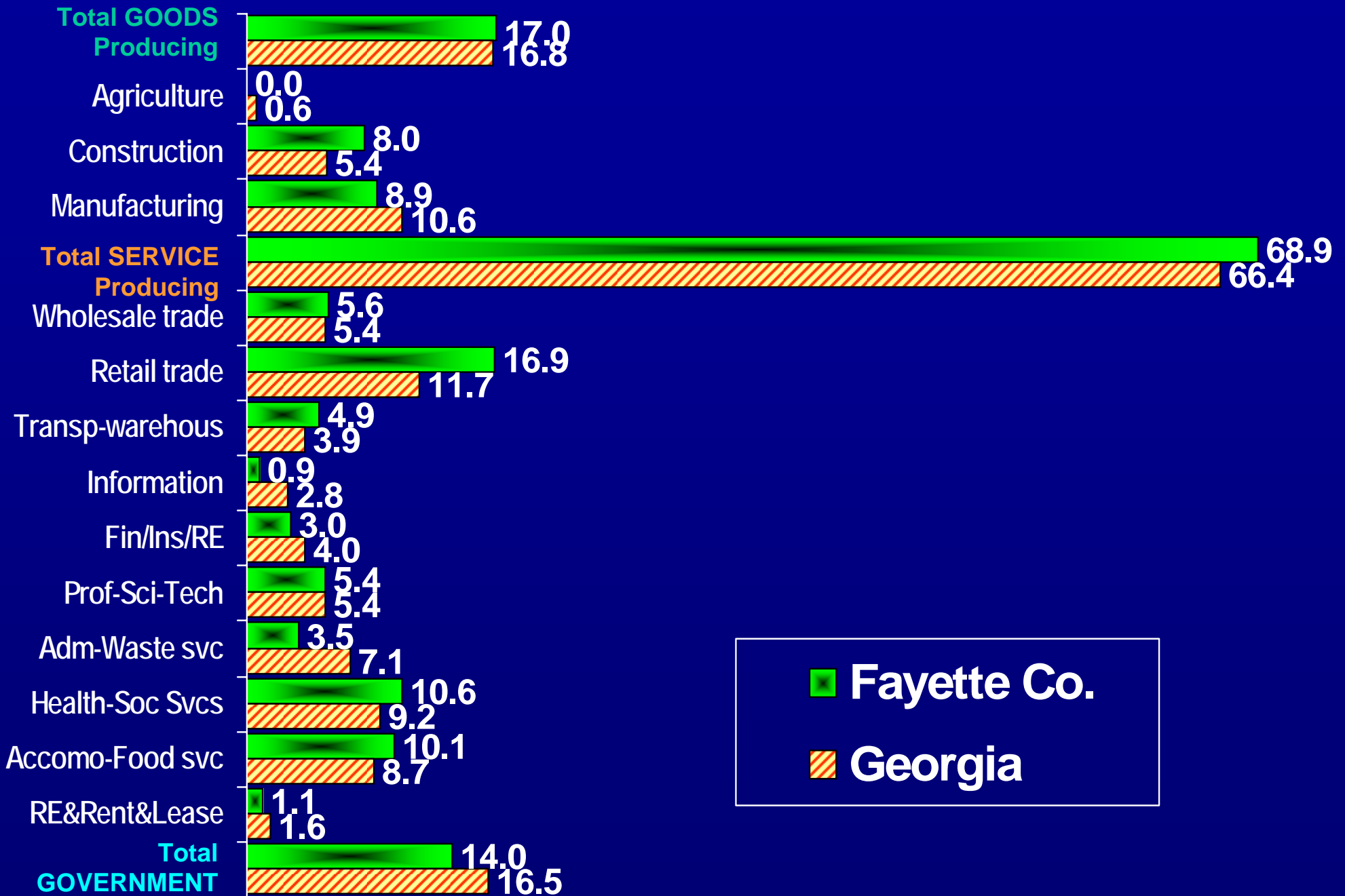
Retail-Wholesale Trade, Transportation-Warehousing,
Information, Finance-Insurance-Real Estate,
Professional-SciTech Serv., Admin-Waste Serv., Health-
Social Serv., Accommodation-Food Serv., & others

**Federal,
State,
Local**

2007 Averages

Establishments = 3,374 Monthly Employment = 40,559 Weekly Wage = \$700

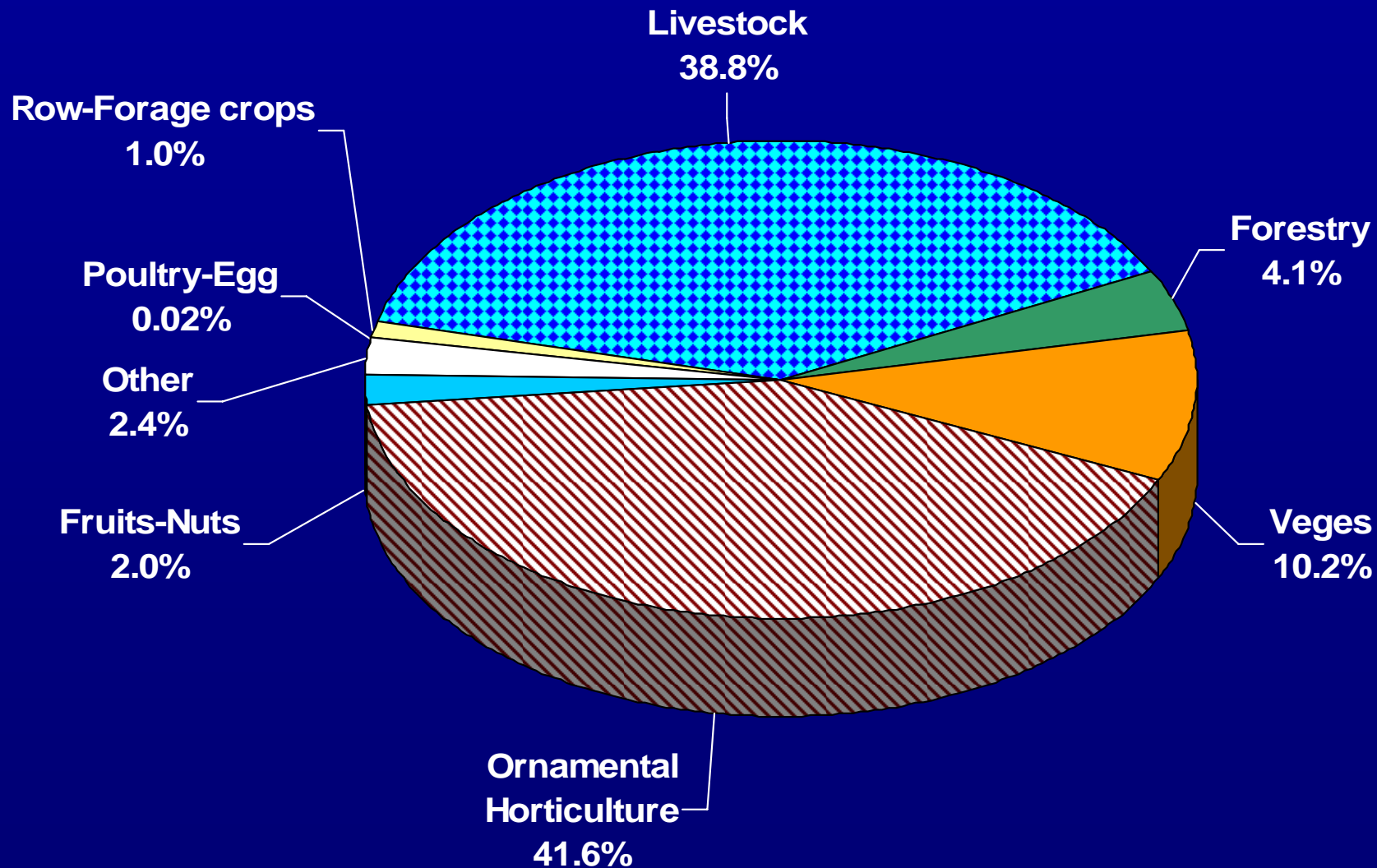
Selected Employment Comparisons by Industry: 2007



Primary data source: GA Dept. of Labor

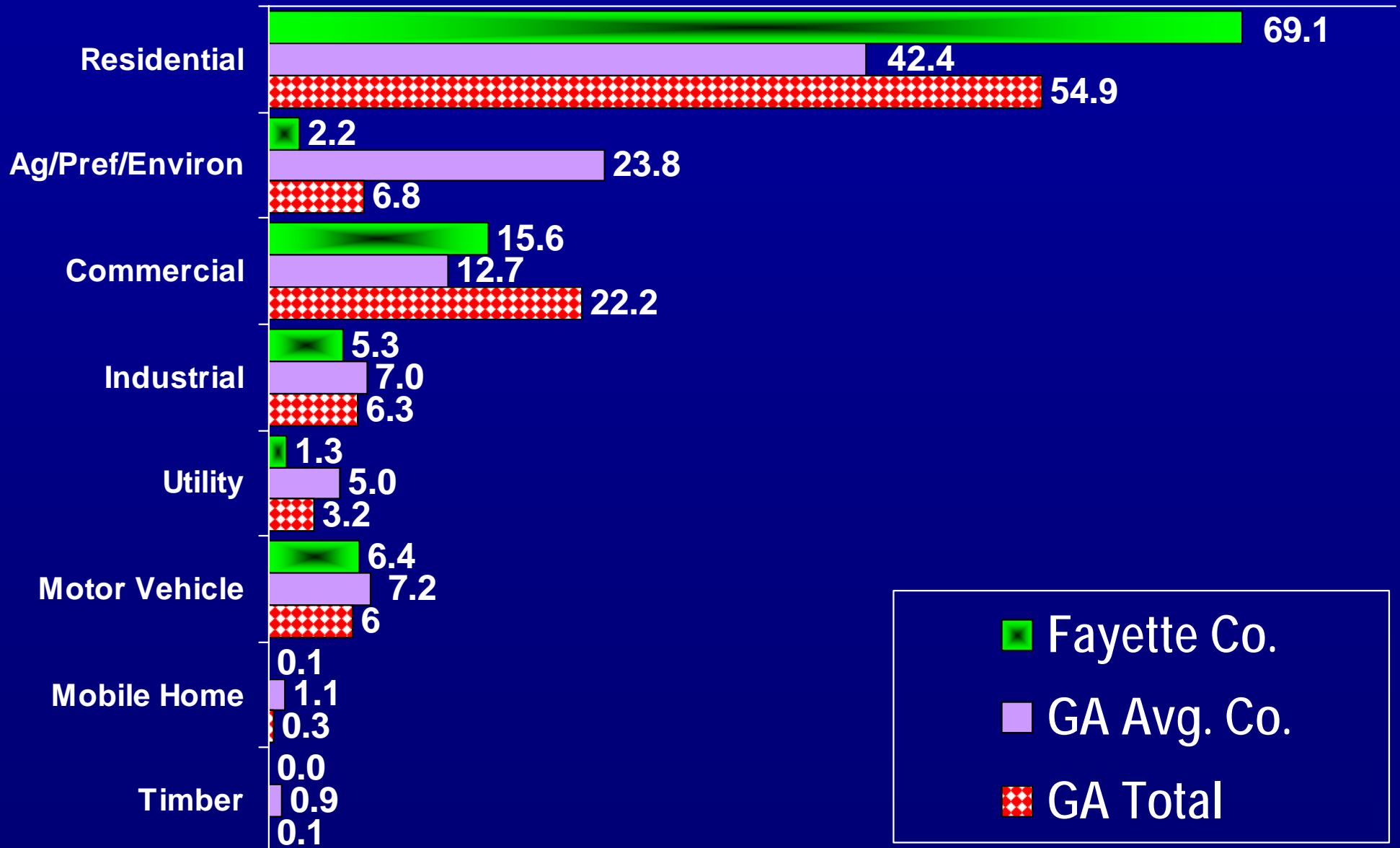
Farm Gate Value by Commodity Group: 2007

Fayette Co. Total Value = \$17,662,512



Components of Gross Property Tax Digest: 2007

Fayette Co. Gross Digest (40% Value) = \$5.507 billion



County Property Tax Digest Comparisons: 2007

County	% Residential	% Agricultural	% Commercial	% Industrial	% Utility	% Motor Veh	% Mobile Home	% Timber
FAYETTE	69.1	2.2	15.6	5.3	1.3	6.4	0.1	0.0
CLAYTON	43.1	0.3	29.1	9.1	10.4	7.7	0.2	0.0
COWETA	60.4	7.5	14.9	5.7	4.3	6.9	0.1	0.0
FULTON	54.7	0.2	35.5	3.7	2.0	4.0	0.0	0.0
HENRY	63.5	2.6	14.7	11.2	1.5	6.3	0.1	0.0
MERIWETHER	32.4	42.3	8.2	3.3	4.0	7.8	1.3	0.5
SPALDING	43.8	14.1	18.0	14.5	1.9	7.5	0.1	0.04
GEORGIA	54.9	6.8	22.2	6.3	3.2	6.0	0.4	0.2
Avg. GA Co.	42.4	23.8	12.7	7.0	5.0	7.2	1.1	0.9

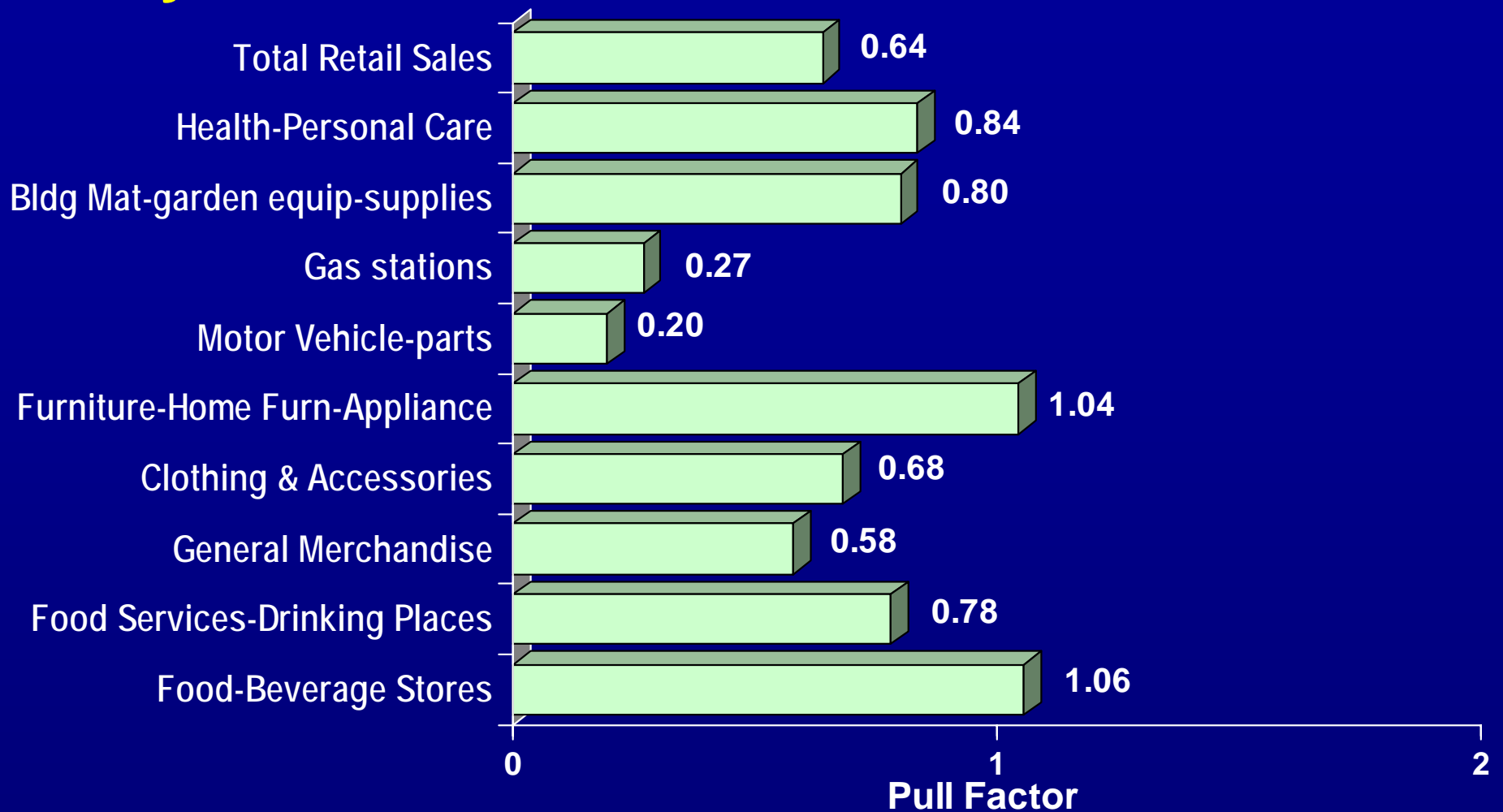
Millage Rates, Taxes Levied, & Sales Tax Rate

County	'07 County-wide Millage*	'07 School Millage*	'07 Taxes Levied* (\$000)	Sales Tax Rate as of 1/09	LOST Type* as of 1/09
FAYETTE	30.378	22.146	\$156,249	6	LS
CLAYTON	28.621	19.836	\$272,355	7	LSE
COWETA	28.490	18.596	\$110,649	7	LSE
FULTON	34.281	18.093	\$1,927,761	7	MLE
HENRY	37.510	23.060	\$238,337	7	LSE
MERIWETHER	30.472	18.000	\$16,190	7	LSE
SPALDING	35.990	18.810	\$54,938	7	LSE

*Countywide Includes .250 state millage. School includes bonds, if any. Taxes levied, but not necessarily collected. L=Local Option Sales Tax, S=Special Purpose, E=Educational, M=MARTA

Retail Sales Analysis: 2007

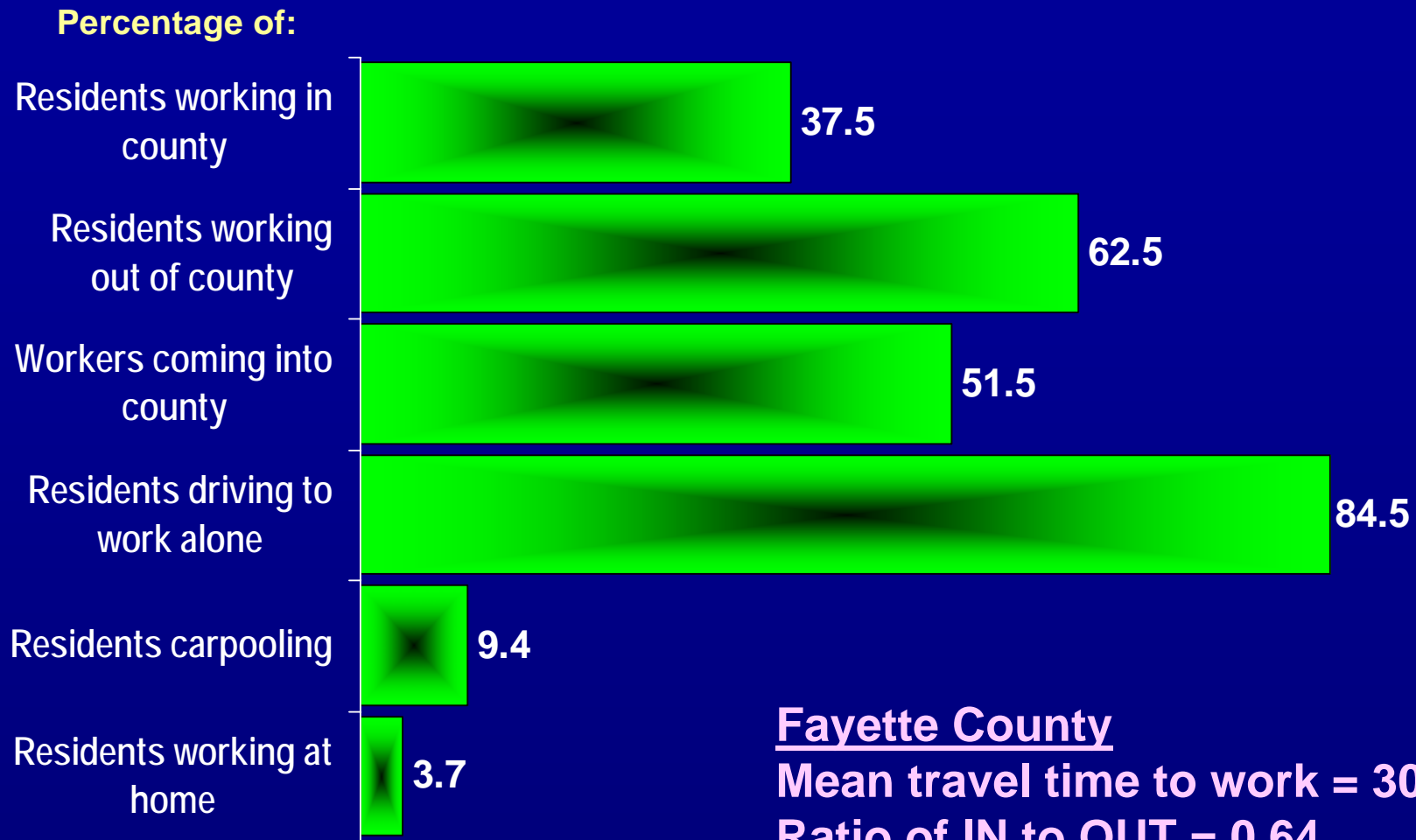
Fayette Co. Total Retail Sales = \$1.62 billion



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, 2007;” pull factor calculations by Center for Agribusiness and Economic Development.

Commuting to Work: 2000



Fayette County

Mean travel time to work = 30.6 min.

Ratio of IN to OUT = 0.64

Resident workers 16+ = 45,231

Residents working in county = 16,977

Residents working out of county = 28,254

Total working in county = 35,036

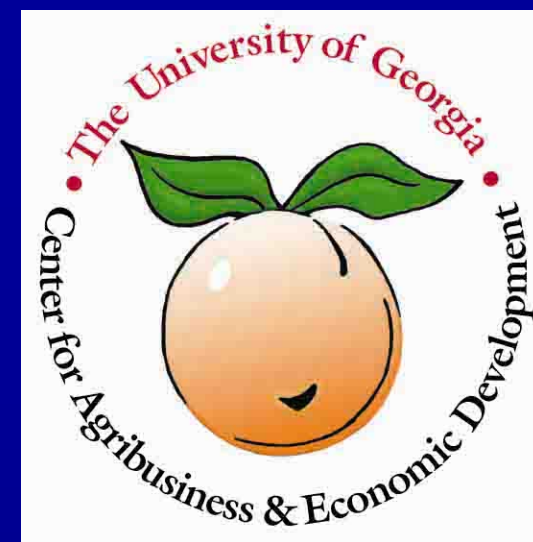
Workers commuting into county = 18,059

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

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