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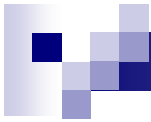
# Nebraska's Demographic Trends

## ■ Main demographic trends

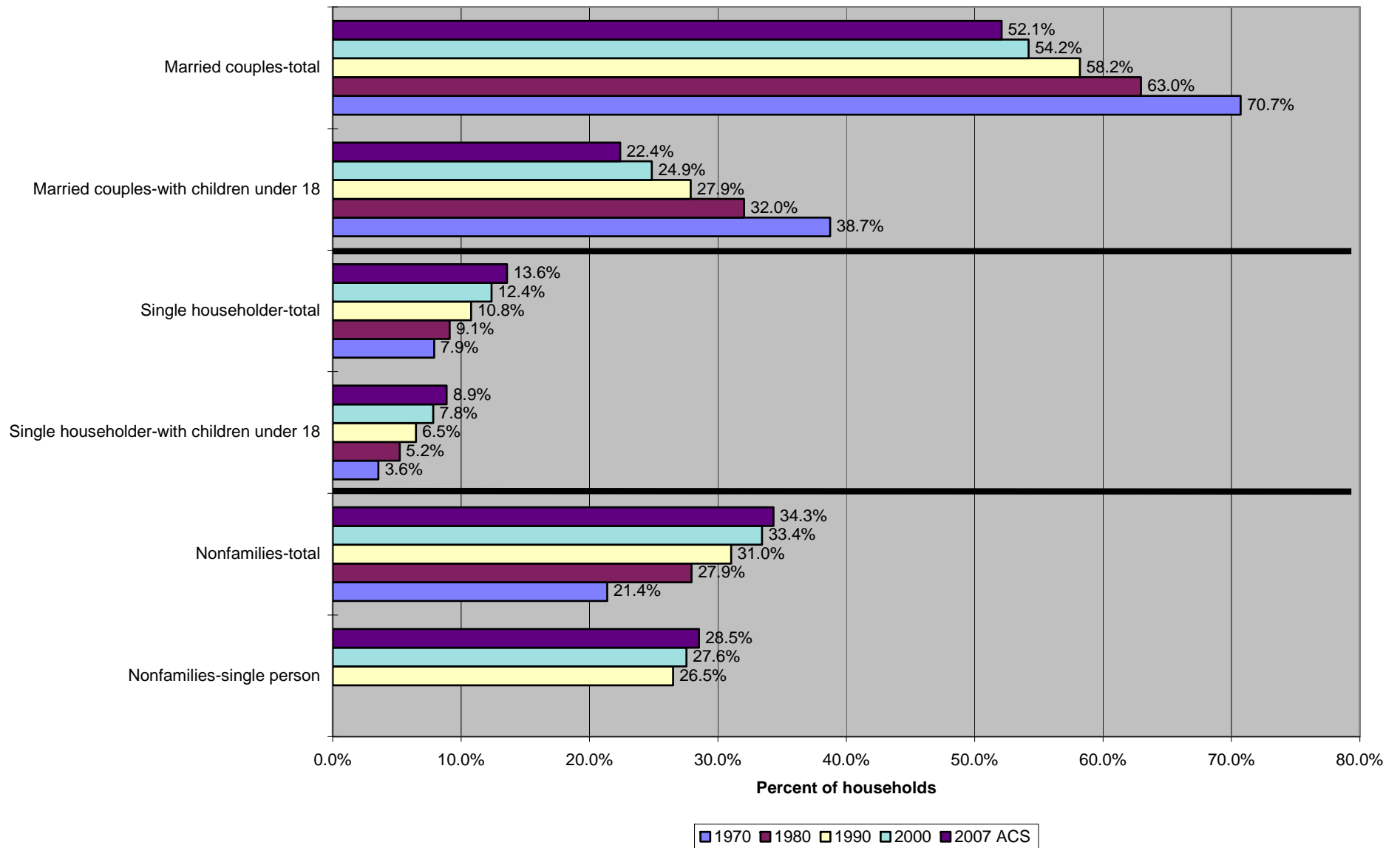
- There are fewer married couple households with children and more one-person households.
- Compared to the U.S. average, incomes have increased in Nebraska's metro areas while declining in nonmetro counties.
- Population is becoming more and more concentrated in state's most populous counties.
- Population is getting older and will continue to age.
- Population is becoming more racially and ethnically diverse, especially among the younger population.



# Households and Families



## Households and Families in Nebraska, 1970-2007



# Living Situations of Children in Families

Family Type of Children Living with Families	U.S.	NE	Lancaster
In married-couple family	68.3	72.5	74.5
Male householder, no wife present	6.9	6.4	4.4
Female householder, no husband present	24.7	21.1	21.1



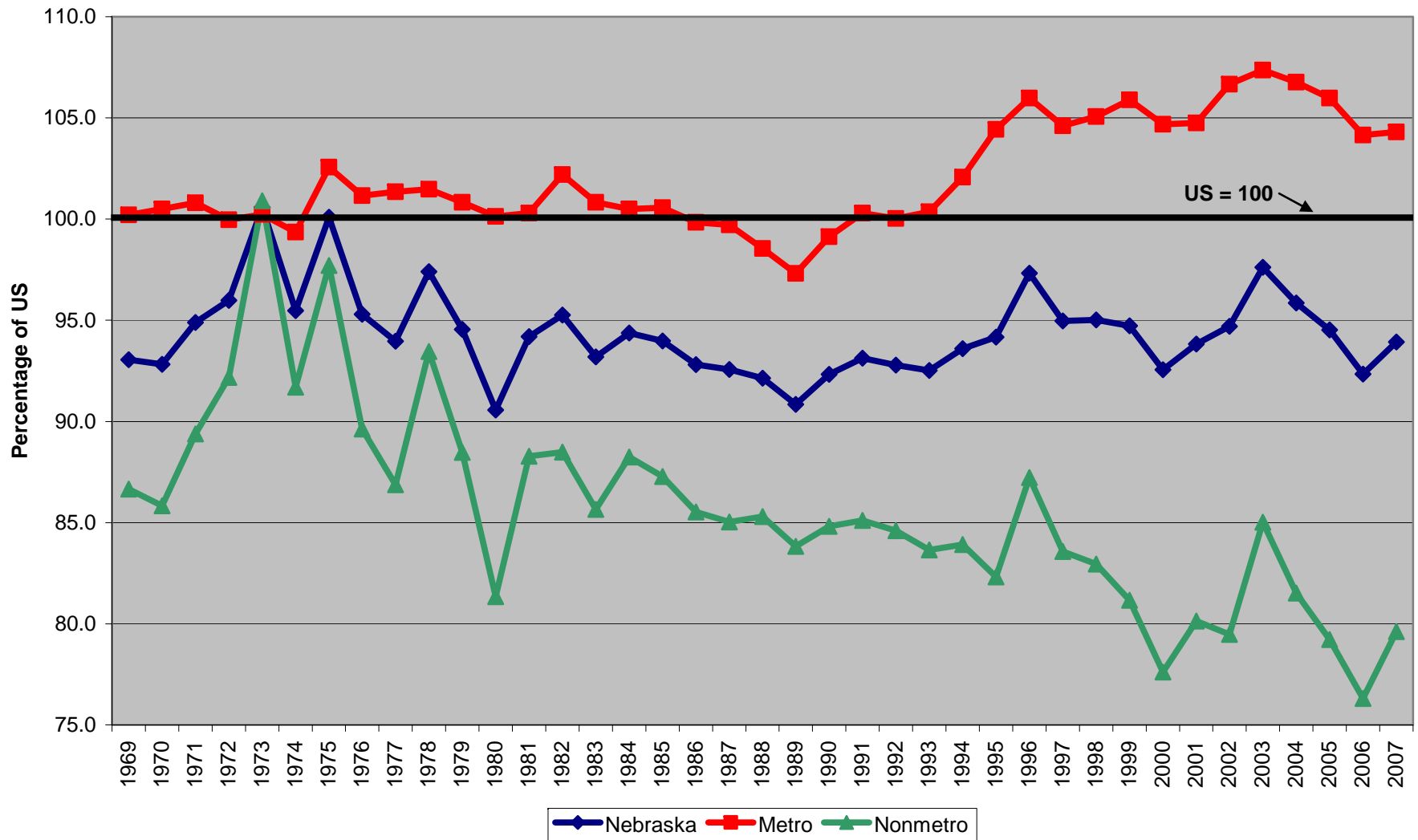
The Nebraska percent in married-couple families was 79.0% in 2000.

Source: 2007 American Community Survey (AFF table B09005, U.S. Census Bureau, calculations by David Drozd, CPAR @ UNO



# Economic Data

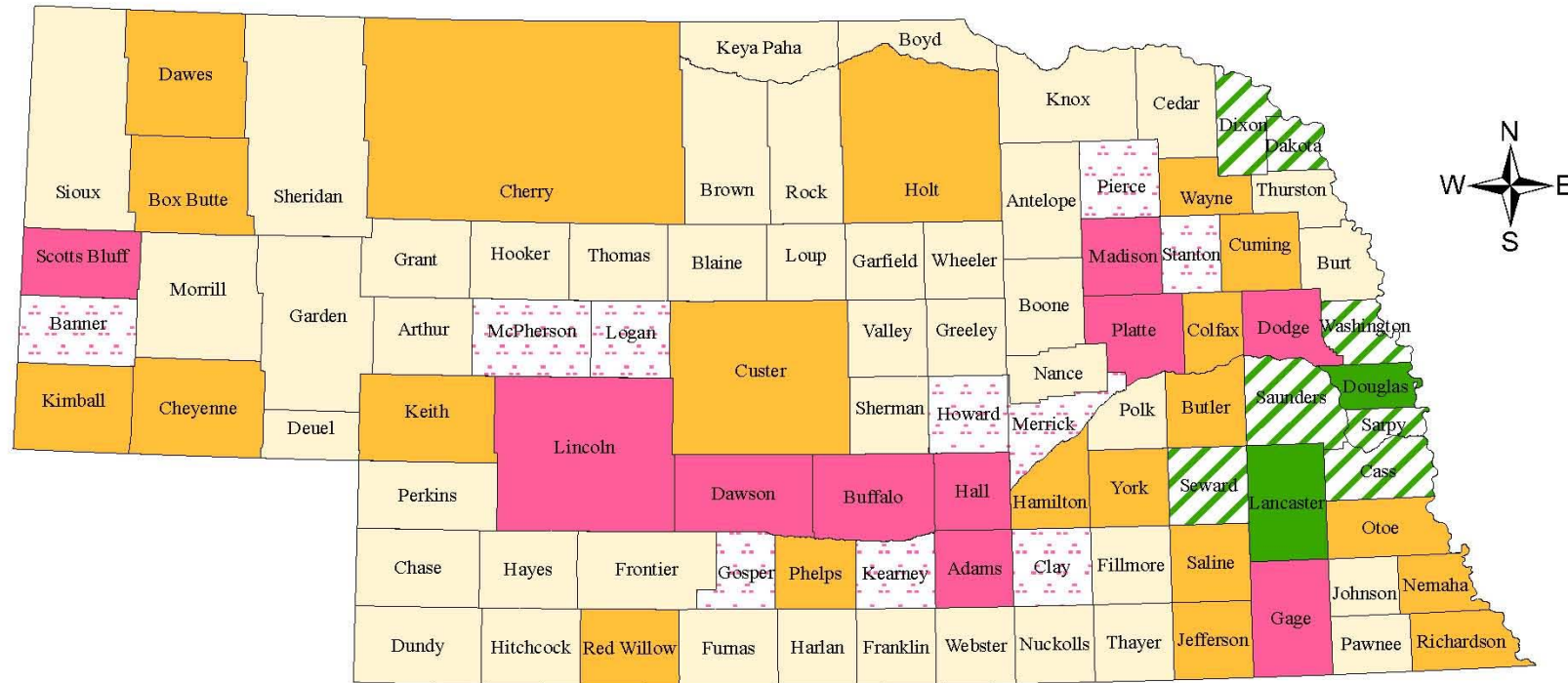
### Per Capita Personal Income of Nebraska Counties As a Percentage of the US By Metropolitan and Nonmetropolitan Status: 1969-2007 (2003 Definitions)









Source: US Bureau of Economic Analysis, Regional Economic Information System



# Map 1: Nebraska Counties Classified by Modified Urban Influence Code



## Modified Urban Influence Classification

	Code 1: Metropolitan core county (small metro--fewer than 1 million residents)	(2)
	Code 2: Metropolitan outlying county	(7)
	Code 3: Micropolitan core county (contains a city of at least 10,000 residents)	(10)
	Code 4: Micropolitan outlying county	(10)
	Code 5: Non-Metro/Micro county with largest town of 2,500-9,999 residents	(21)
	Code 6: Non-Metro/Micro county with no towns above 2,500 residents	(43)

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, USDA Economic Research Service; Compiled by: Center for Public Affairs Research (CPAR), University of Nebraska at Omaha

Prepared by: David Drozd, CPAR - April 12, 2006

# Percent of Children with All Parents in the Labor Force: 2007

	U.S.	NE	Lancaster
2 parent household: both in LF			
Children under 6	55.1	68.7	67.9
Children 6-17	64.6	73.7	74.8
1 parent household: in LF			
Children under 6	75.8	87.3	78.4
Children 6-17	81.5	87.0	94.5
All households: all parents in LF			
Children under 6	61.7	74.0	69.9
Children 6-17	70.0	77.2	80.6

Source: 2007 American Community Survey (AFF table C23008, U.S. Census Bureau, calculations by David Drozd, CPAR @ UNO

Under 6 is up from 68.2 percent in 2000; 6-17 same as 2000



# Poverty Status by Age: 2007

Percent in Poverty	U.S.	NE	Lancaster
All individuals	13.0	11.2	11.0
Under 5 years	20.8	18.2	15.0
5 to 11 years	17.9	15.3	12.5
12 to 14 years	15.9	12.0	7.6
15 to 17 years	16.0	11.4	7.9
18 to 24 years	21.1	22.3	29.3

Source: 2007 American Community Survey (AFF table B17001, U.S. Census Bureau, calculations by David Drozd, CPAR @ UNO

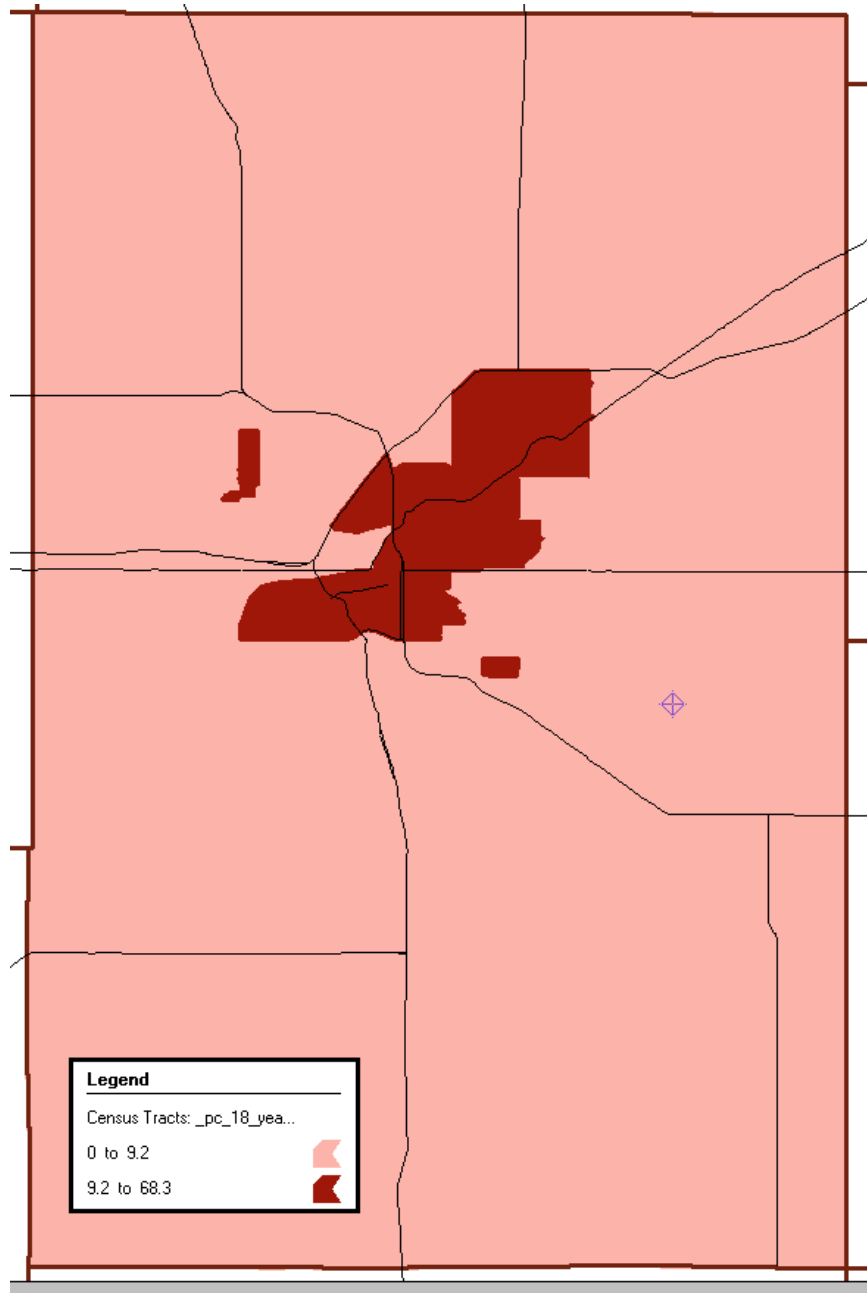


## Education's Influence on Income/Poverty: Lancaster Co.: 2007

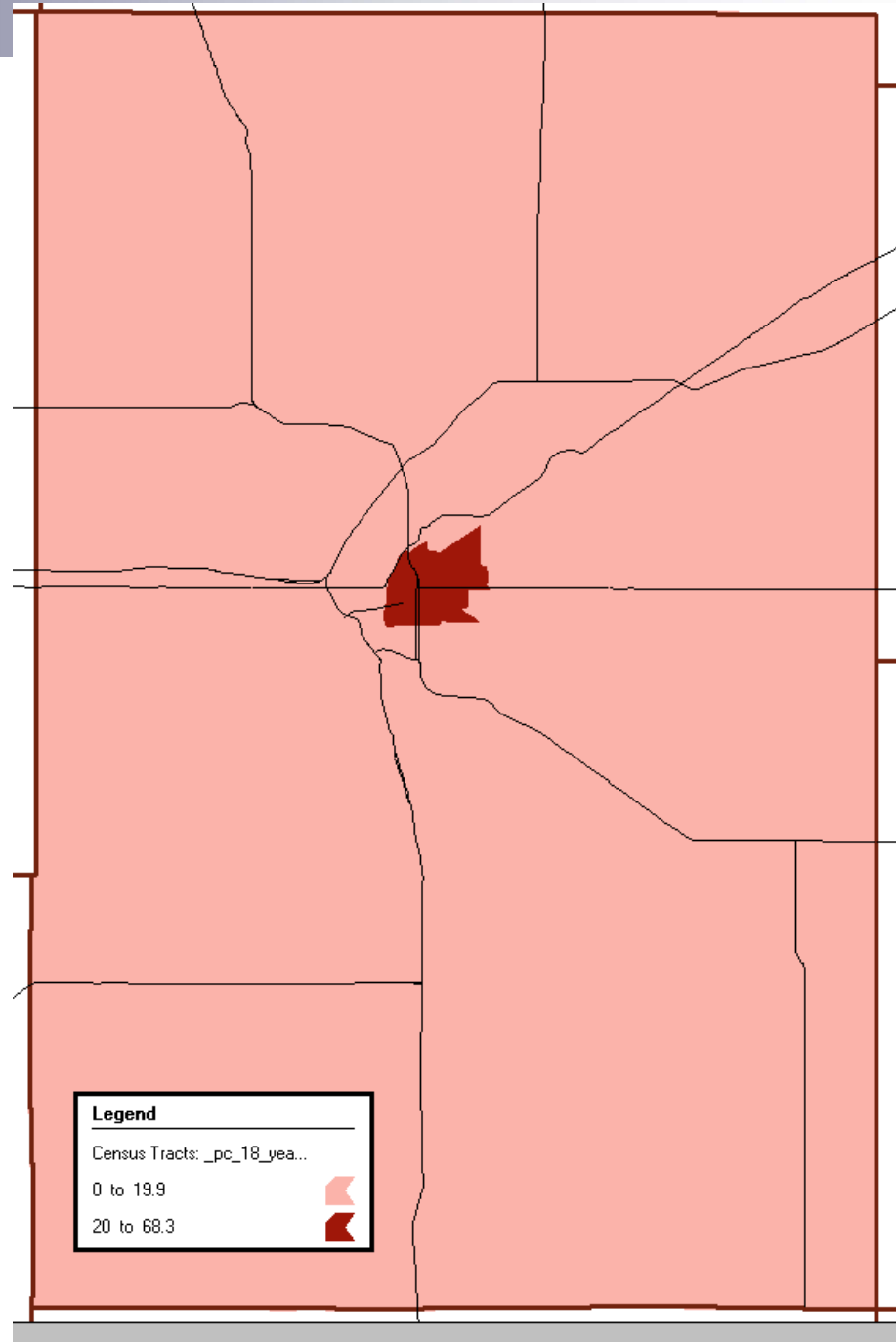
<u>Category</u>	<u>Median Earnings</u>	<u>Poverty %</u>
Less than H.S.	\$19,848	16.9
H.S. grad/equiv.	\$26,979	9.1
Some coll/associate	\$28,788	8.2
Bach. Degree	\$40,907	4.1
Grad./Prof. Degree	\$51,191	2.3

Source: 2007 American Community Survey (AFF subject  
table S1501, U.S. Census Bureau)

Lancaster County  
Census Tracts  
Above/Below the  
Countywide Average  
of 9.2 Percent of  
Those Under 18  
being in Poverty:  
2000 Census



Lancaster County  
Census Tracts  
Above/Below 20  
Percent of Those  
Under 18 being in  
Poverty: 2000 Census





# Population and Population Change



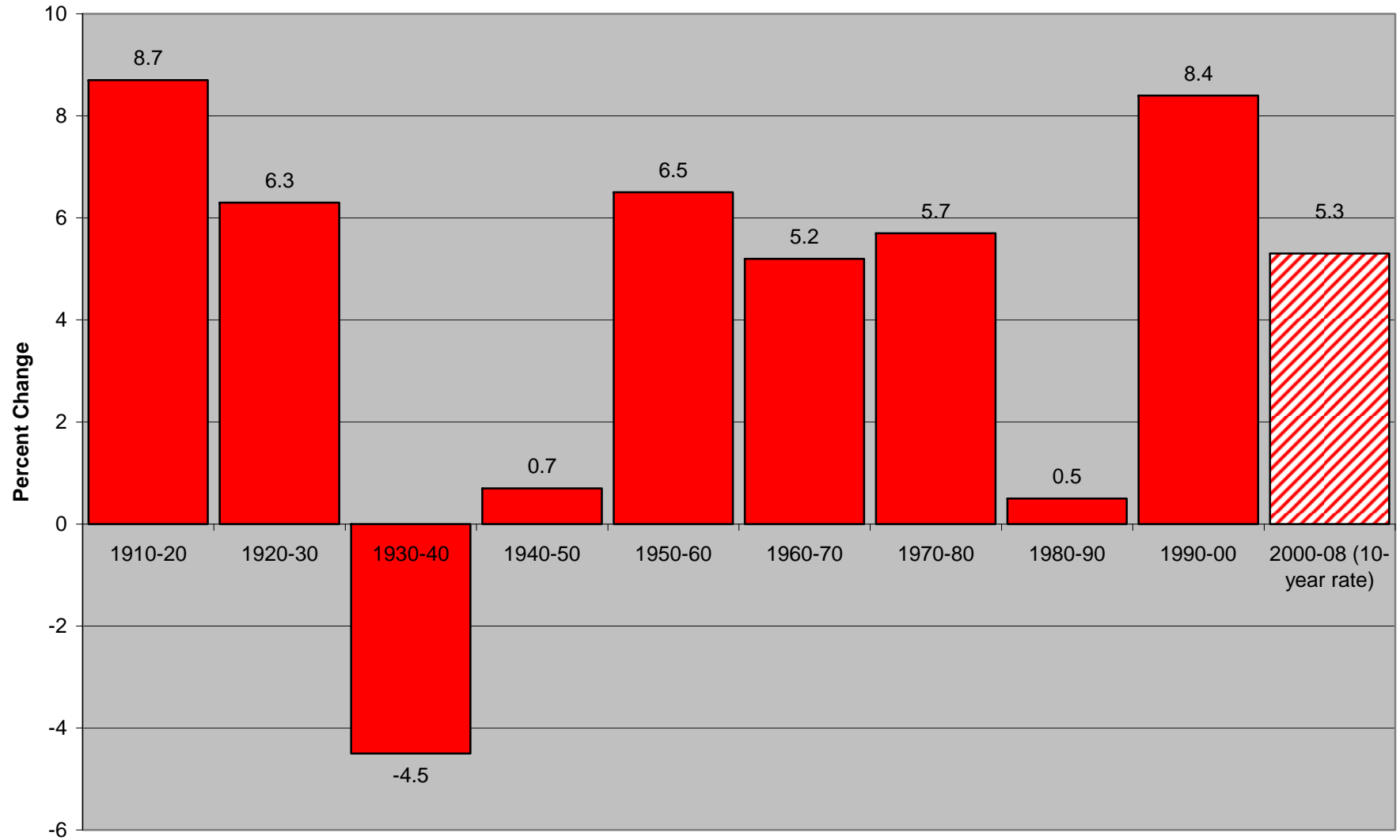
# State Population

- 1990 to 2000
  - Between 1990 and 2000 the state grew 8.4 percent
  - 1990's population growth largest since 1910-20
- 2000 to 2008
  - State added 72,166 persons between April 1, 2000 and July 1, 2008 (about 5.3 percent decade rate)
  - Growth rate ranked 33<sup>th</sup> in the U.S.
- 2007 to 2008
  - Added 13,595 persons or 0.8 percent
  - The annual 2007-08 growth is the largest in number and percentage since 1995-96
  - Growth rate ranked 25<sup>th</sup> in the U.S.
- 2008 to 2009: ? – will be released in December





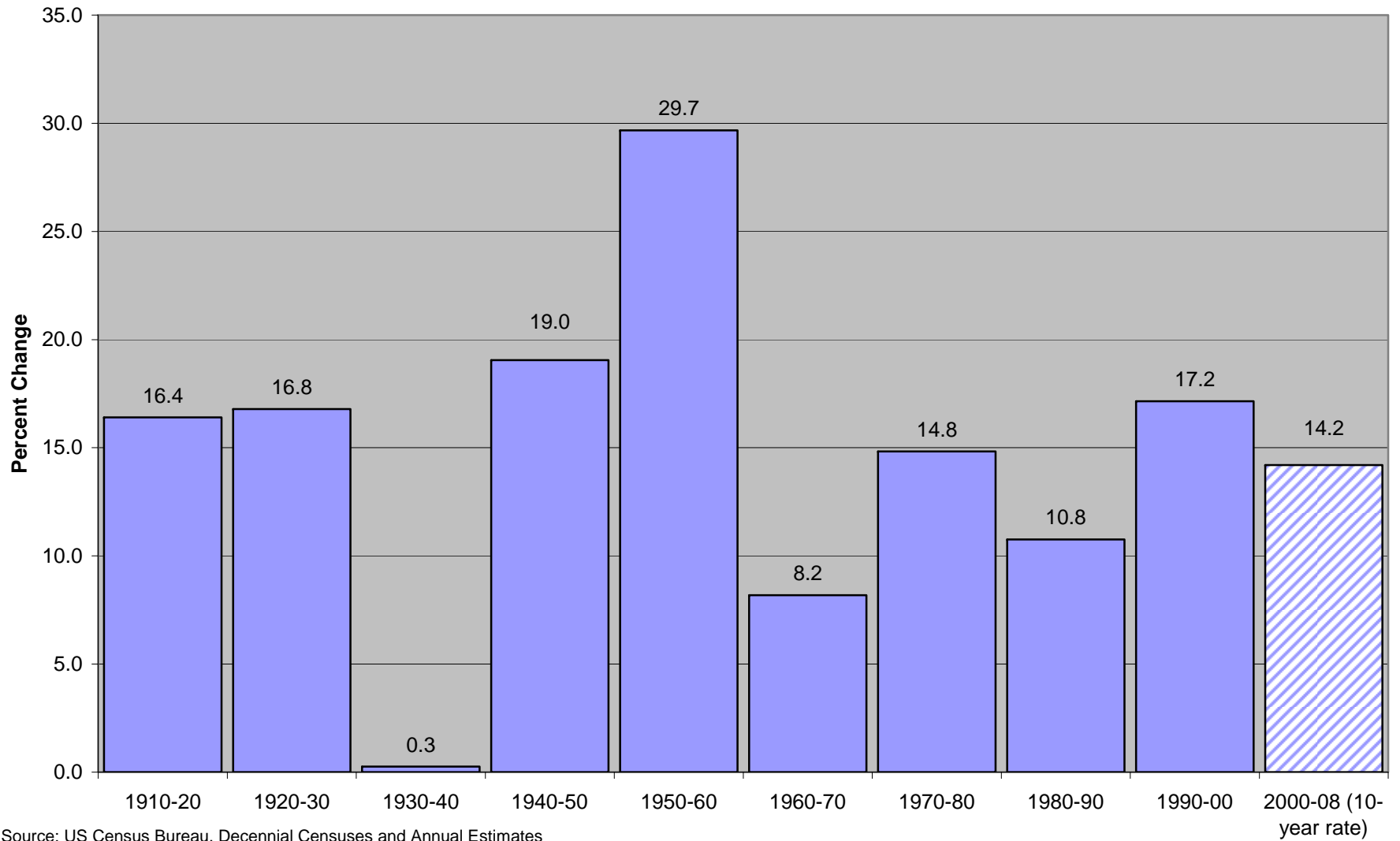
### Nebraska Population Change by Decade: 1910 to 2008



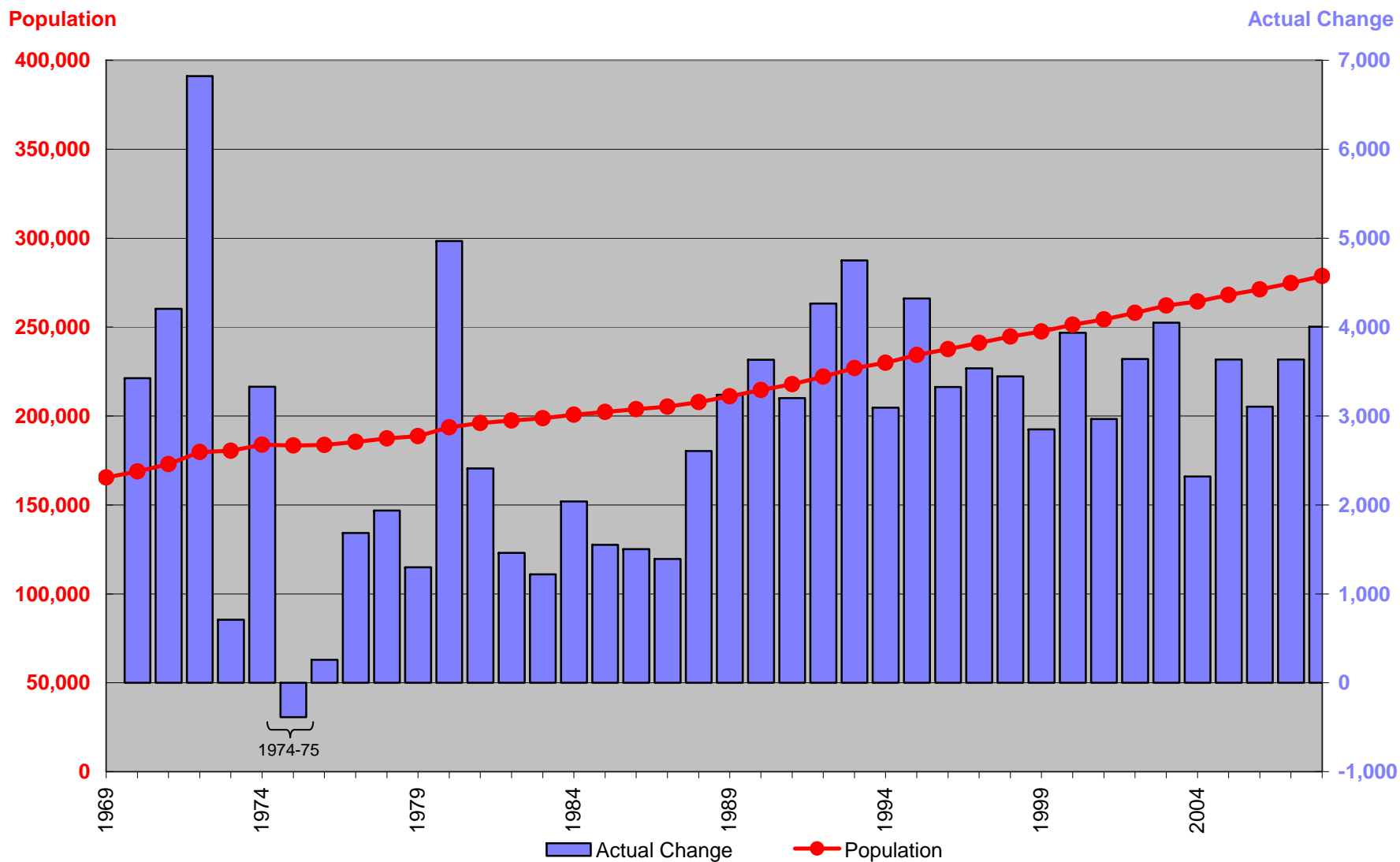
Source: US Census Bureau, Decennial Censuses and Annual Estimates



## Lancaster County Population Change by Decade: 1910 to 2008

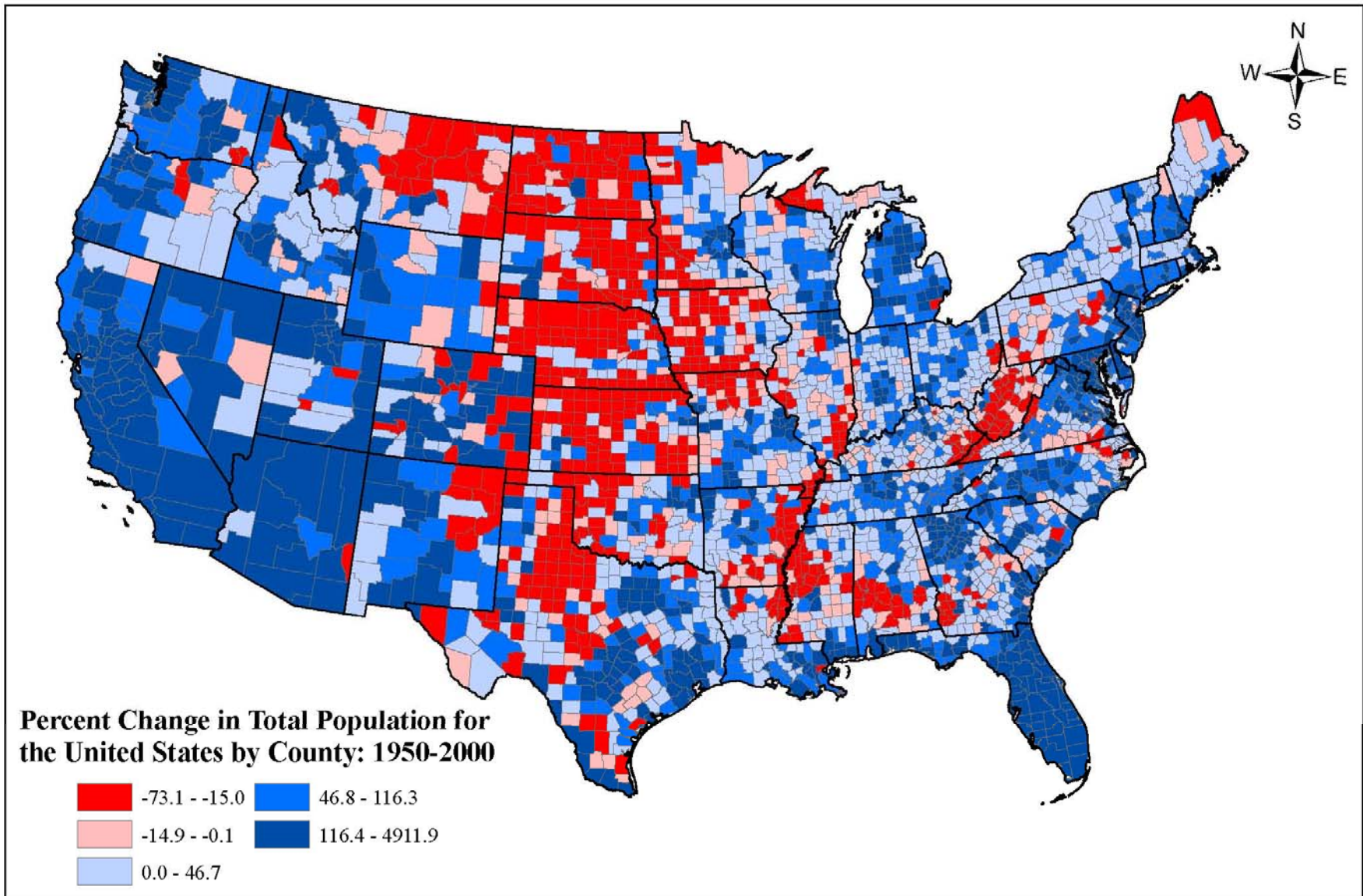


## Lancaster County Population and Population Change, 1969-2008



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Annual Estimates

# Percent Change in Total Population for the United States by County: 1950-2000



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000; United States Historical Census Data Browser, Census 1950

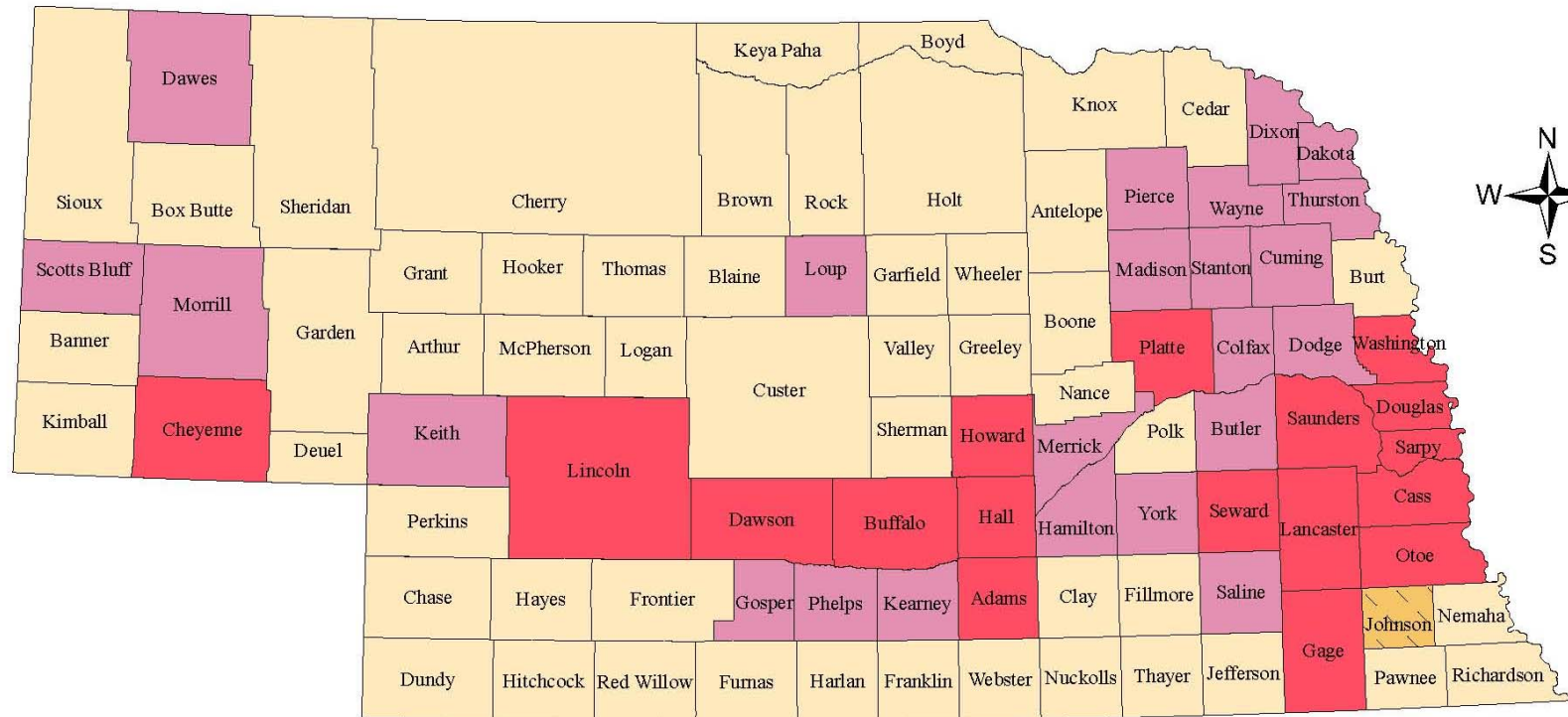
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# County Population

- 1990 to 2000
  - 40 counties added population or were unchanged
  - Nebraska's population is becoming more and more concentrated in its most populous counties
  - Both metropolitan and nonmetropolitan counties added population
  - Counties with no city above 2,500 continued to decline but at a slower rate
- 2000 to 2008
  - Only 18 counties added population 2000 to 2008
    - Sarpy, Lancaster, Douglas, Buffalo, Adams, Washington, Hall, and Cass were 5.0 percent or above
  - Metropolitan counties added population, but nonmetropolitan counties lost population
    - Metropolitan 10.3%
    - Nonmetropolitan - 3.3%
      - Micropolitan 1.3%
      - Largest city 2,500 to 9,999 persons - 5.9%
      - Largest city under 2,500 persons -11.1%
  - Douglas, Lancaster, and Sarpy accounted for 52.2 percent of Nebraska's population in 2008

## Map 2: Population Change in Nebraska Counties: 1990-2000 and 2000-2008



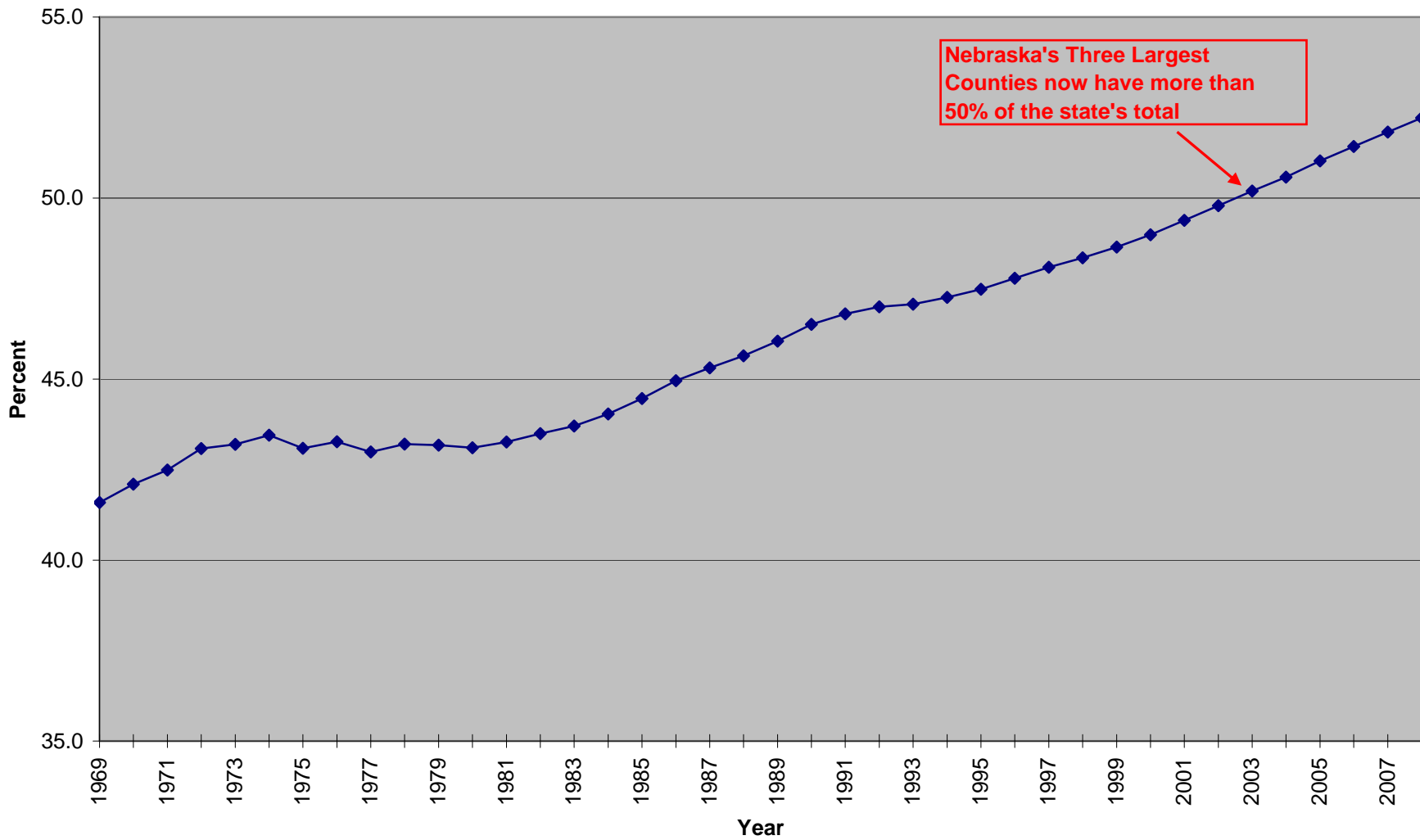
### Population Change between 1990-2000 and 2000-2008

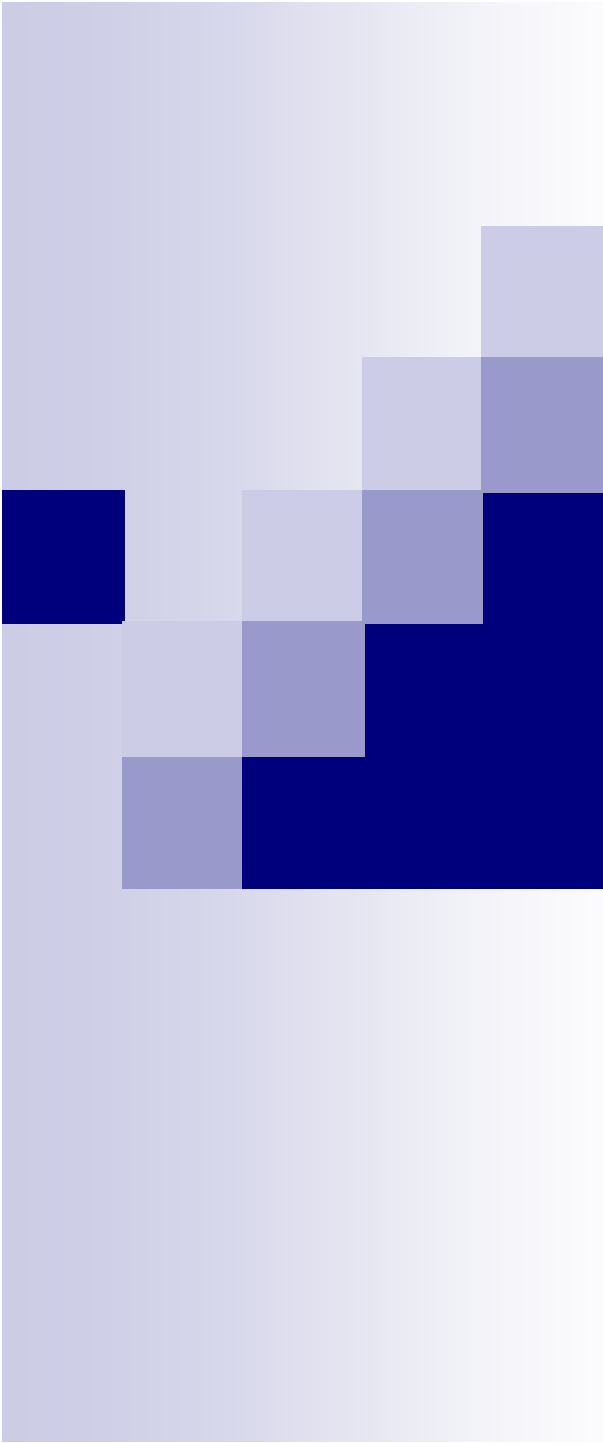
- Increased 1990-2000 and Increased 2000-2008 (17)
- Increased 1990-2000 and Decreased 2000-2008 (23)
- Decreased 1990-2000 and Increased 2000-2008 (1)
- Decreased 1990-2000 and Decreased 2000-2008 (52)

Sources: 1990 and 2000 Decennial Censuses; Cumulative Estimates of Population Change - released March 19, 2009, U.S. Census Bureau

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**Percent of the Nebraska Population Located in the State's "Big 3" Counties of Douglas, Lancaster and Sarpy: 1969-2008**

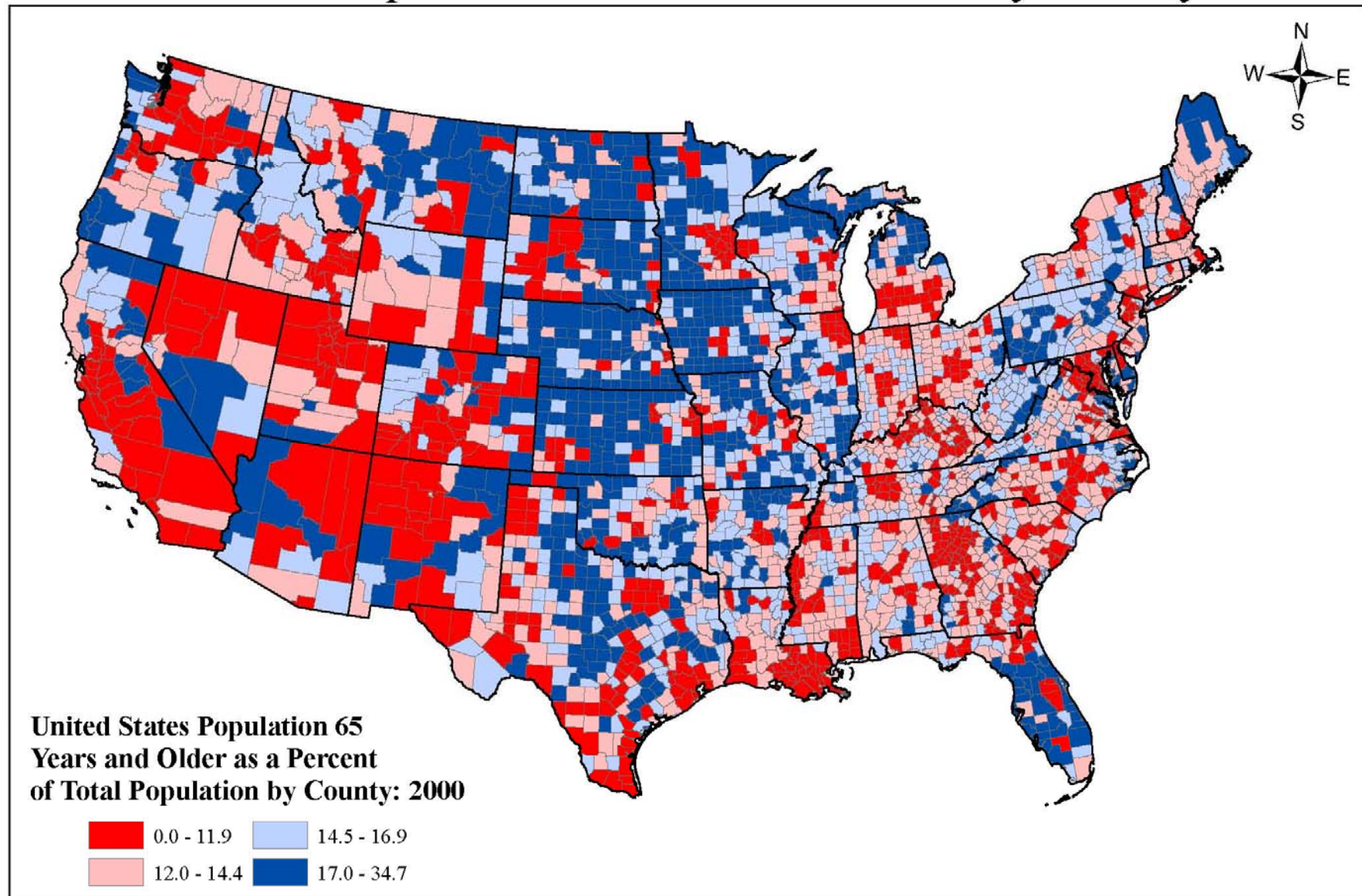




# Age Structure

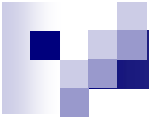


# United States Population 65 Years and Older by County: 2000

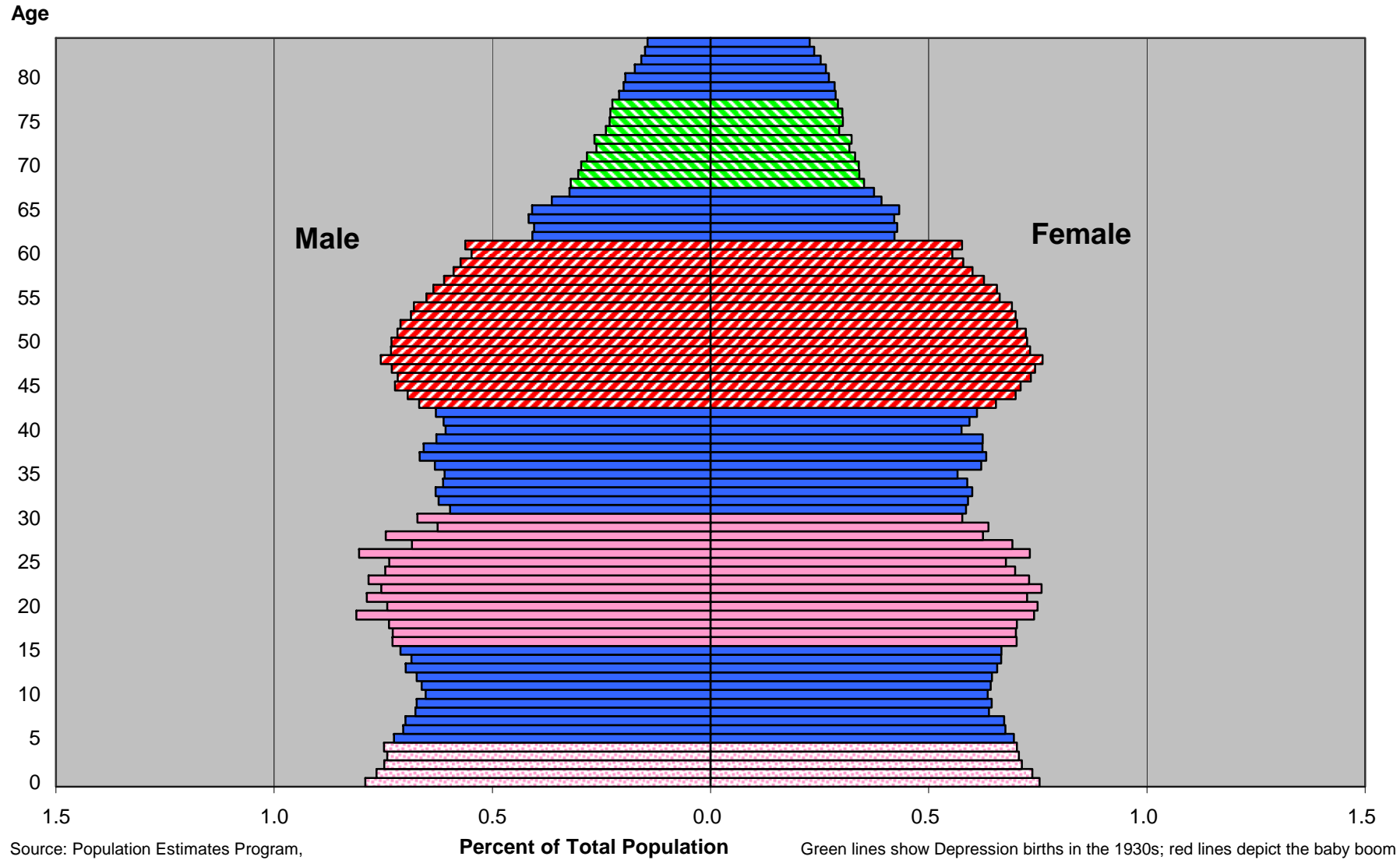


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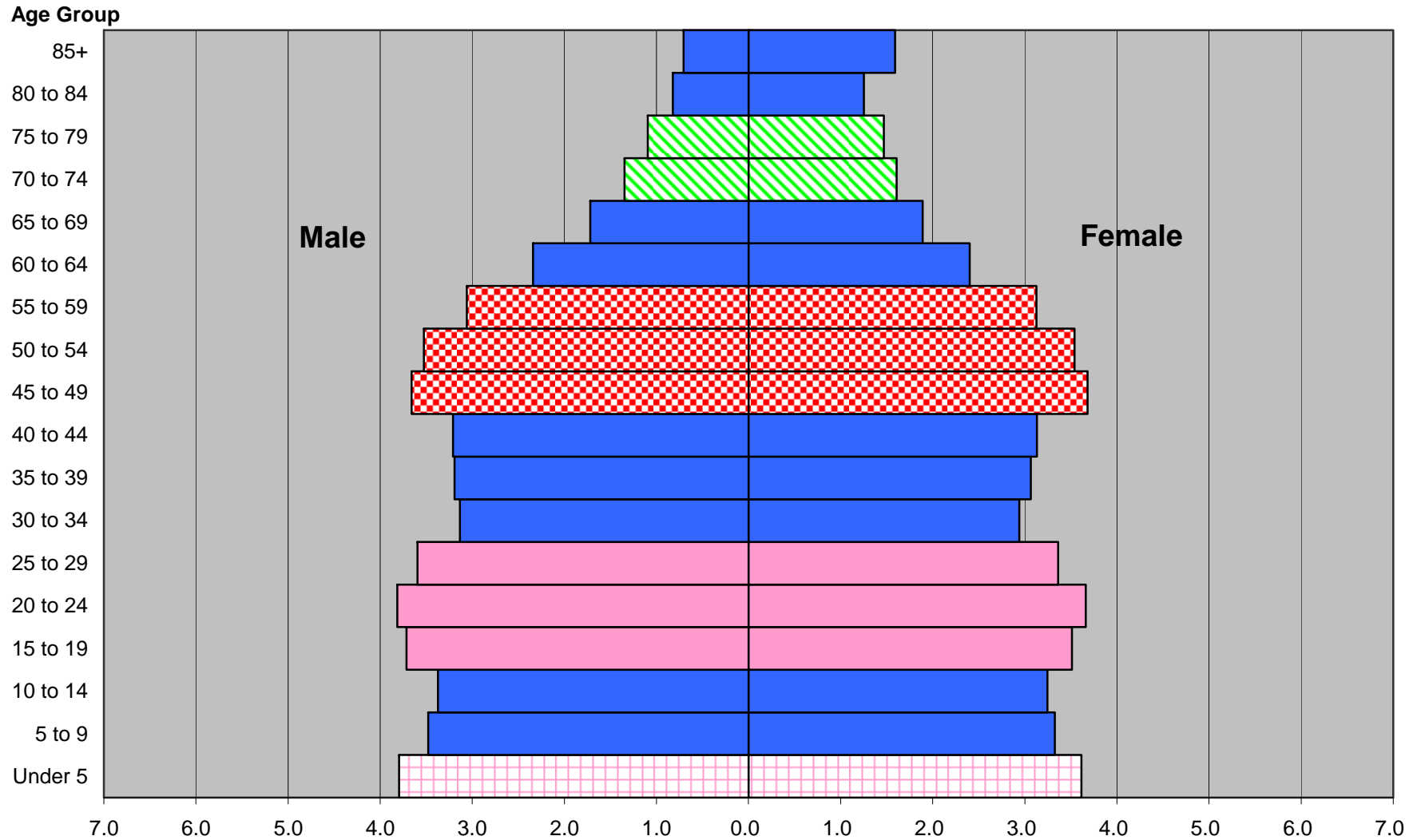
## July 1, 2008 Nebraska Population by Sex and Single Year of Age



Source: Population Estimates Program,  
U.S. Census Bureau - released 5-14-09



## 2008 Nebraska Population by Sex and Five-Year Age Group

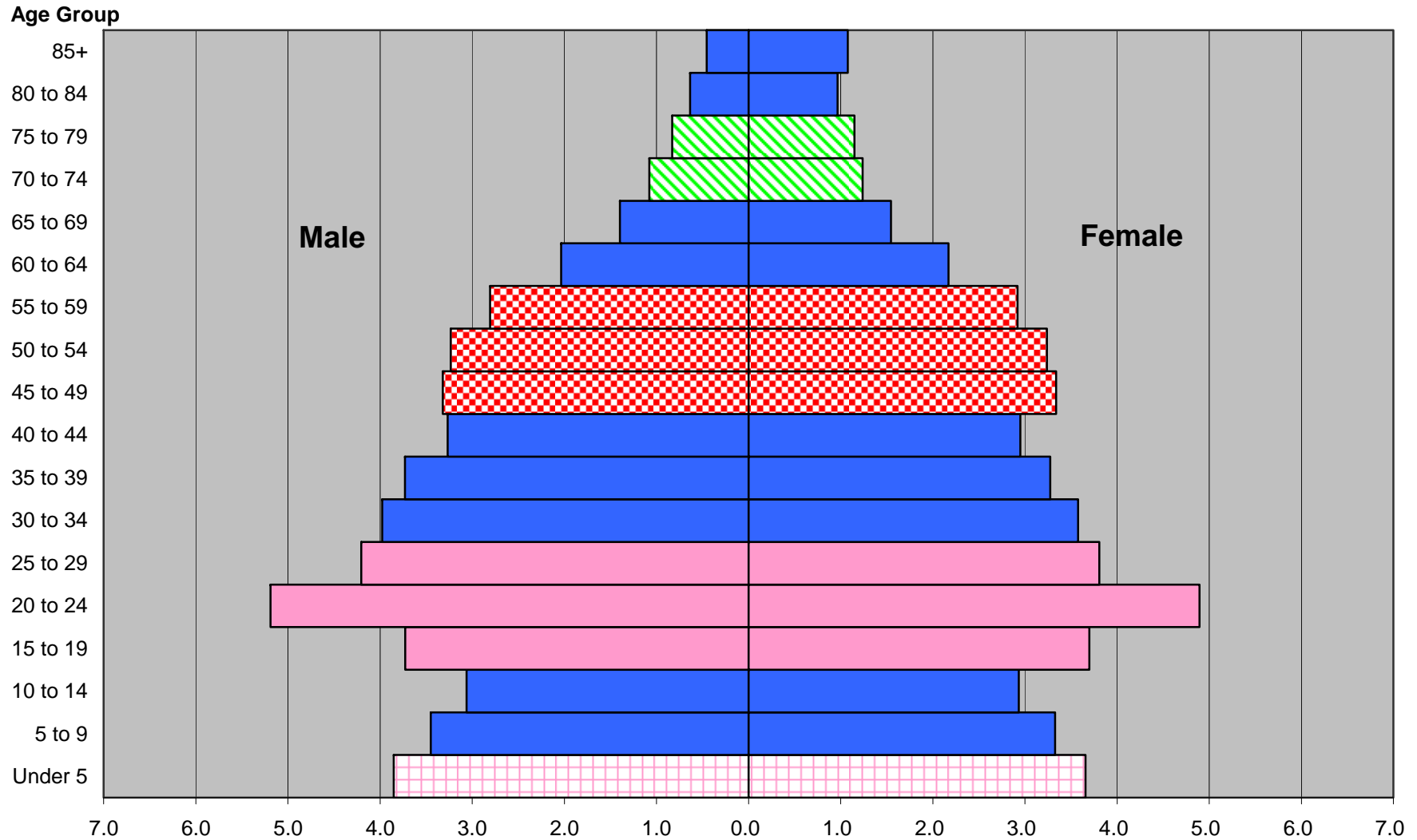


Source: Annual Estimates Program, U.S. Census Bureau, released 5-14-09

Percent of Total Population

Green lines depict the depression cohort; red checker shows the "baby boom"; pink represents the "baby boom echo"; pink crosshatch shows the "3rd wave"

## 2008 Lancaster County Population by Sex and Five-Year Age Group

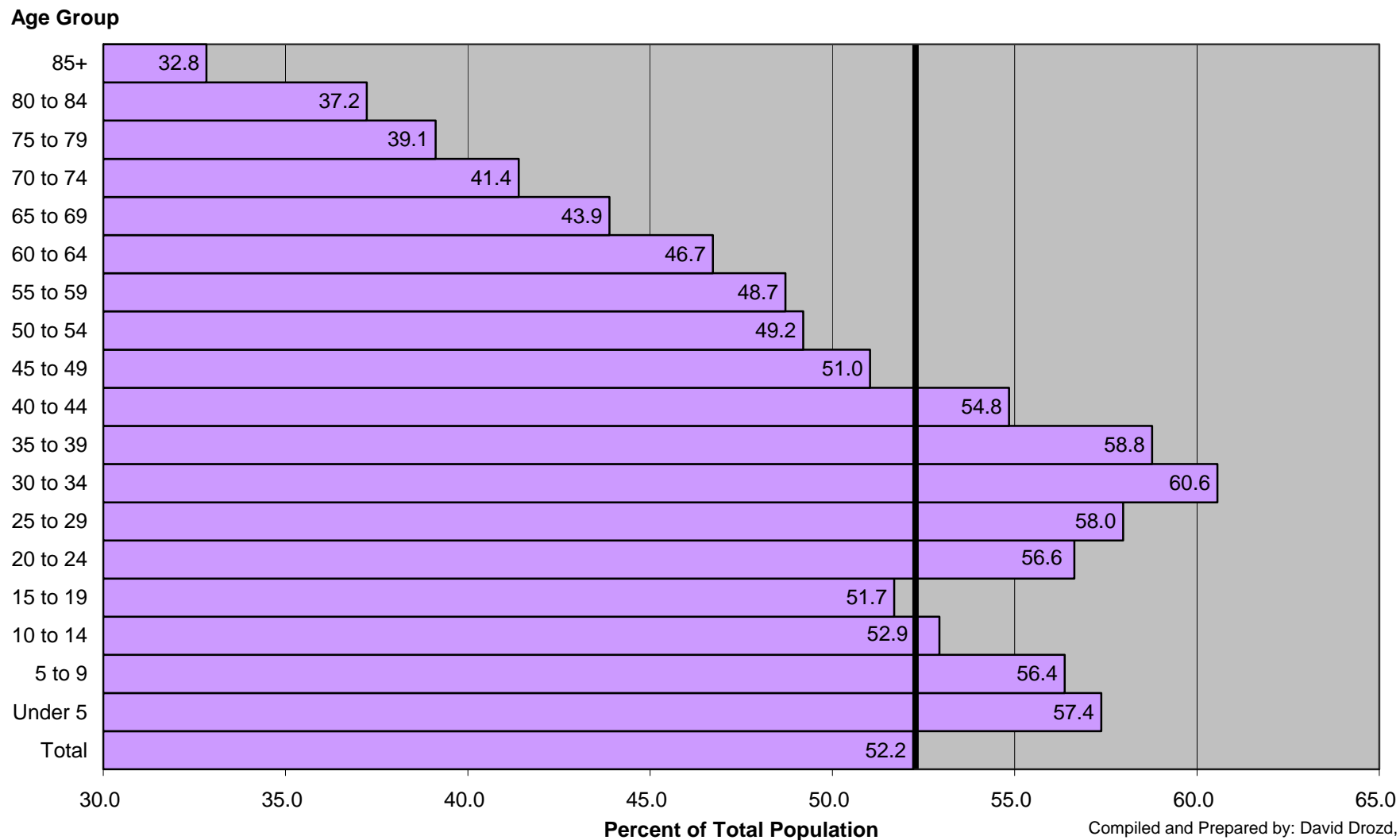


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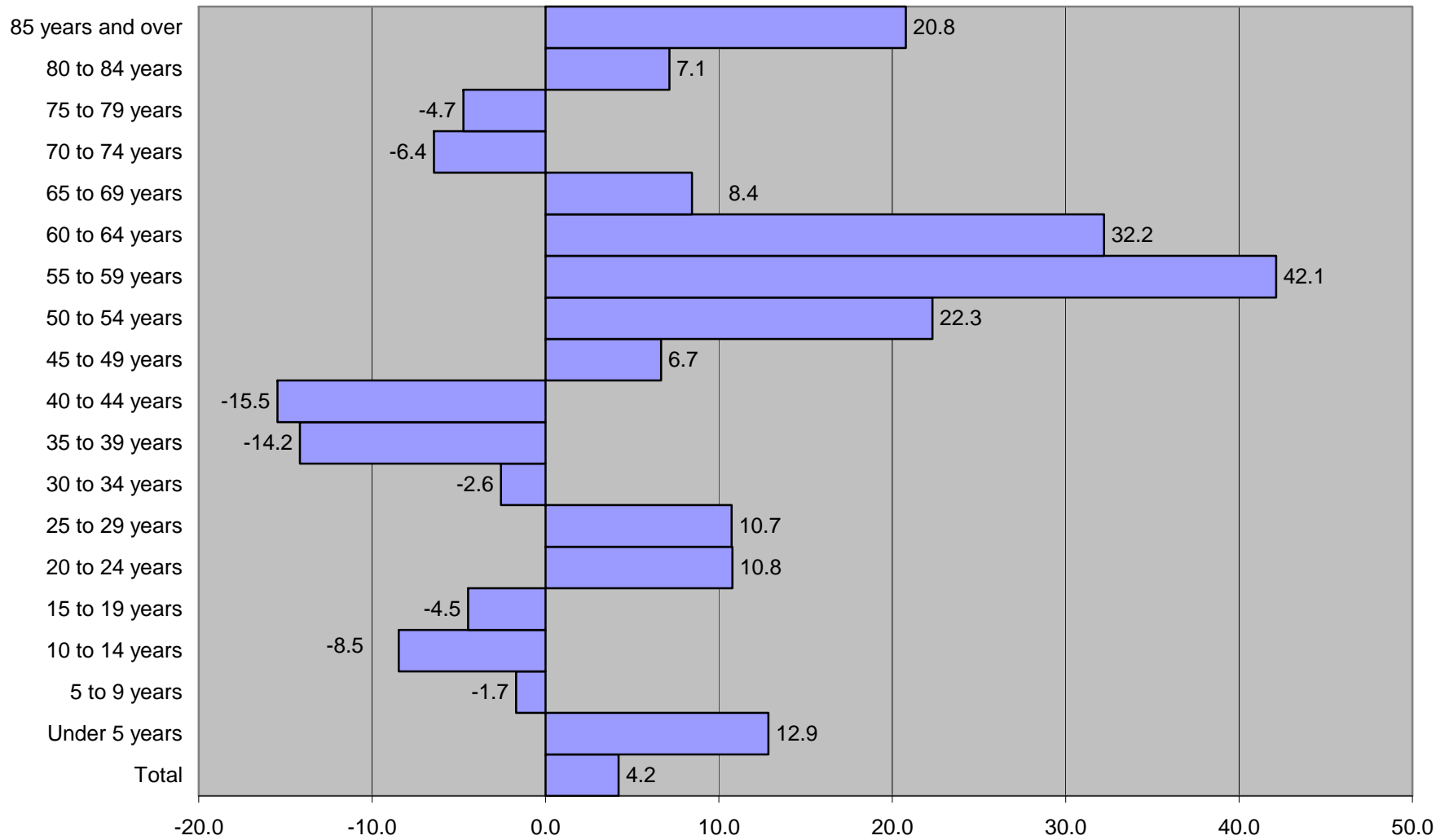
## 2008 Percentage of the Nebraska Population that Resides in the "Big 3" Counties of Douglas, Lancaster, and Sarpy by Five-Year Age Group



Source: Population Estimates Program, U.S. Census Bureau, released 5-14-09

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### Percentage Change in Nebraska Population by Five-Year Age Group: 2000-2008



Source: Population Estimates Program, U.S. Census Bureau, released 5-14-09

Percentage Change



# Race and Hispanic/Latino Origin



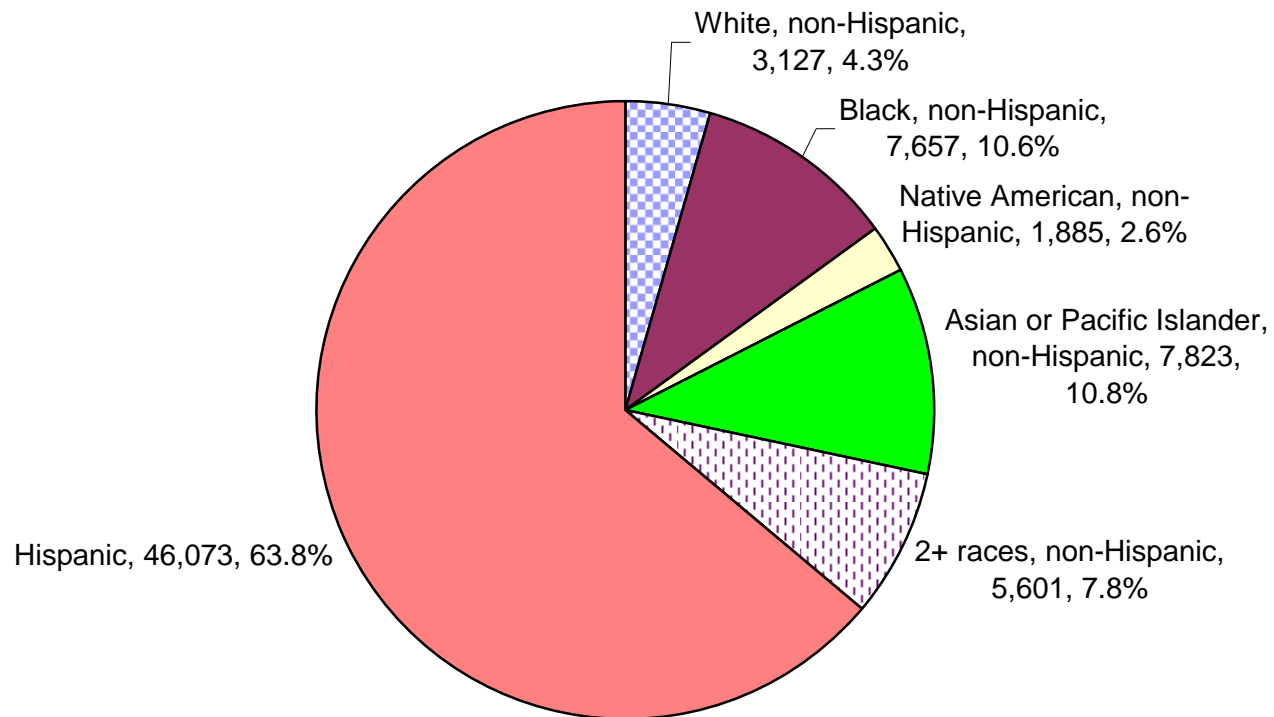
# Race and Hispanic/Latino Origin

- Percent Change 2000-2008

	<u>NE</u>	<u>Lancaster</u>
□ Total	4.2	11.4
□ White, non-Hispanic	0.2	8.3
□ Black, non-Hispanic	11.2	26.1
□ American Indian/Alaska Native, NH	13.9	22.8
□ Asian/Pacific Islander, NH	34.4	20.6
□ 2+ races, non-Hispanic	37.1	37.0
□ Hispanic/Latino Origin	48.8	60.4
□ All Minorities	32.2	36.3
- In 2008, Minority population was 15.9 and 13.4 percent of the total population respectively
  - Nebraska: Up from 12.7 in 2000 and 7.4 percent in 1990
- Minority population is much younger
  - Relatively more under 40
  - Relatively fewer 40+



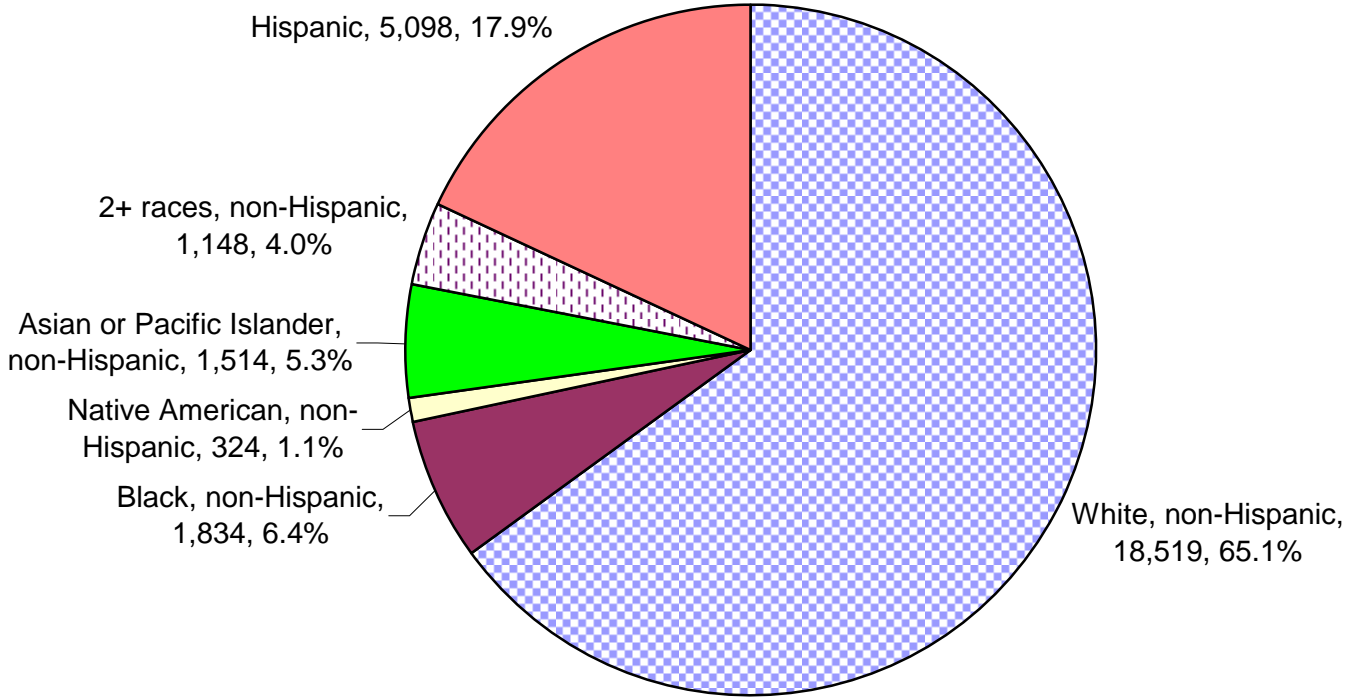
**Percent Distribution of Nebraska 2000-08 Growth by Race/Ethnicity**  
[Total 2000-08 growth was 72,166 persons]



Source: Population Estimates Program,  
U.S. Census Bureau, released 5-14-2009

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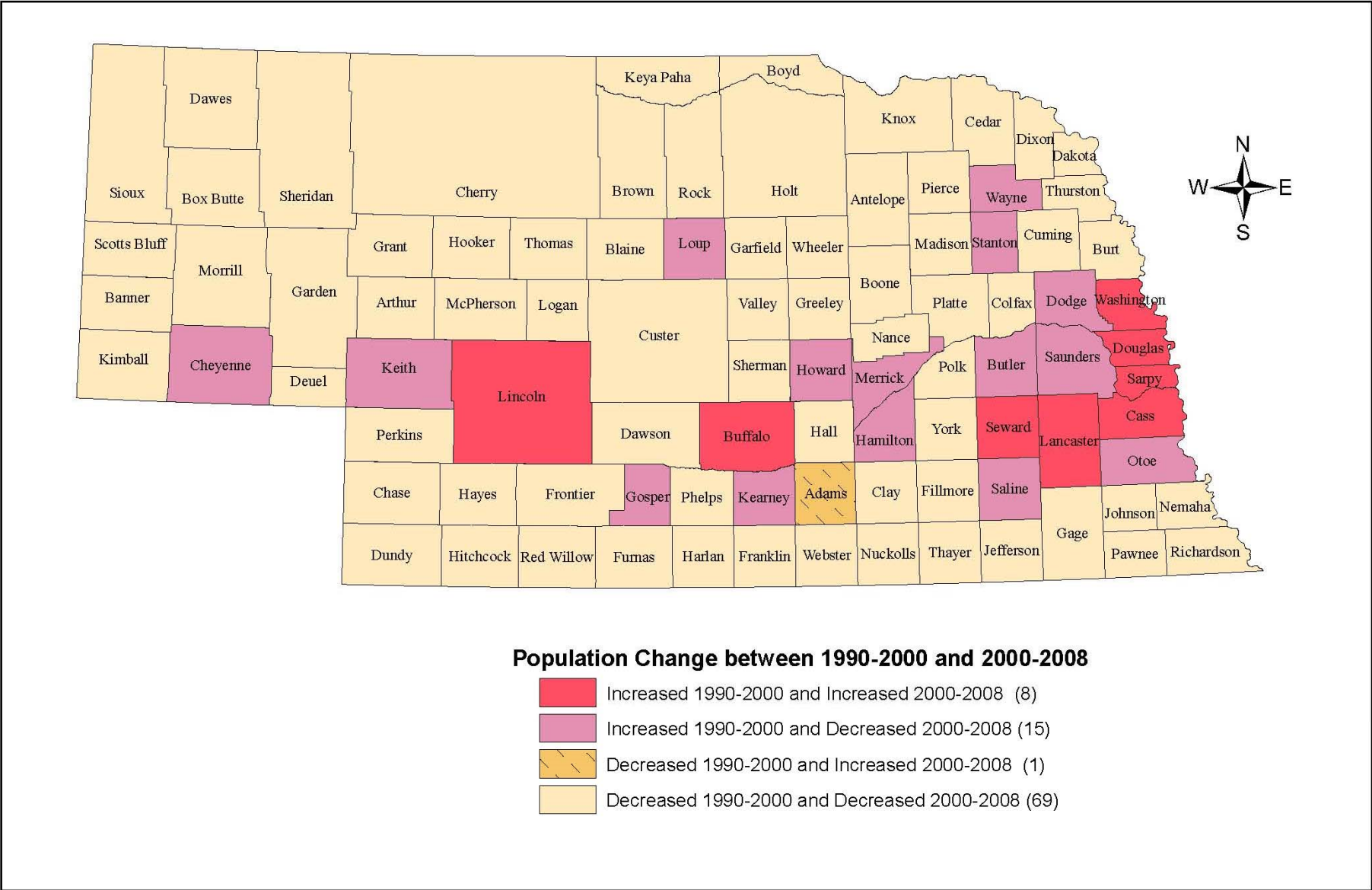
**Percent Distribution of Lancaster County 2000-08 Growth by Race/Ethnicity**  
[Total 2000-08 growth was 28,437 persons]



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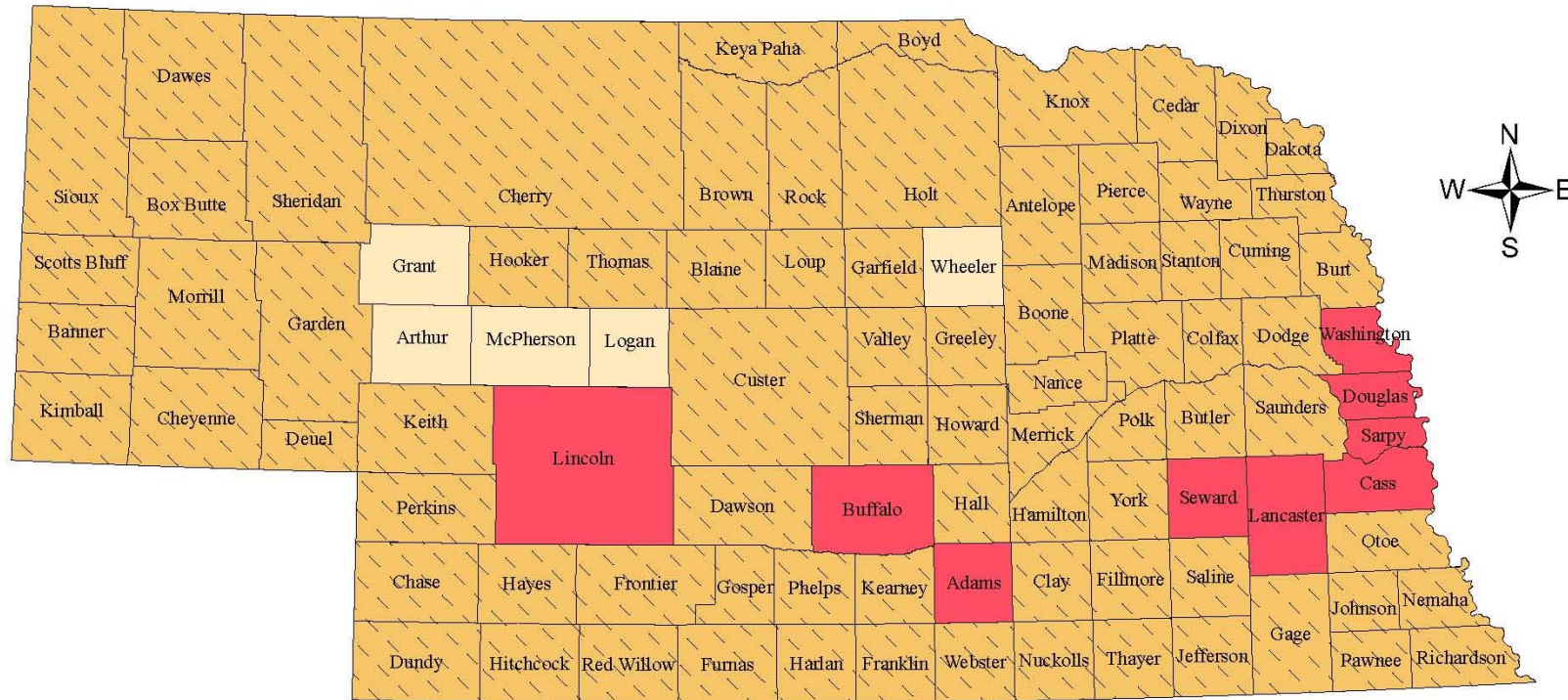
# Population Change of White non-Hispanics in Nebraska Counties: 1990-2000 and 2000-2008



Sources: 1990 and 2000 Decennial Censuses; Estimates of the Population by Sex and Race - released May 14, 2009, U.S. Census Bureau

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# Population Change of the Majority Population (White non-Hispanics) and the Minority Population in Nebraska Counties: 2000-2008



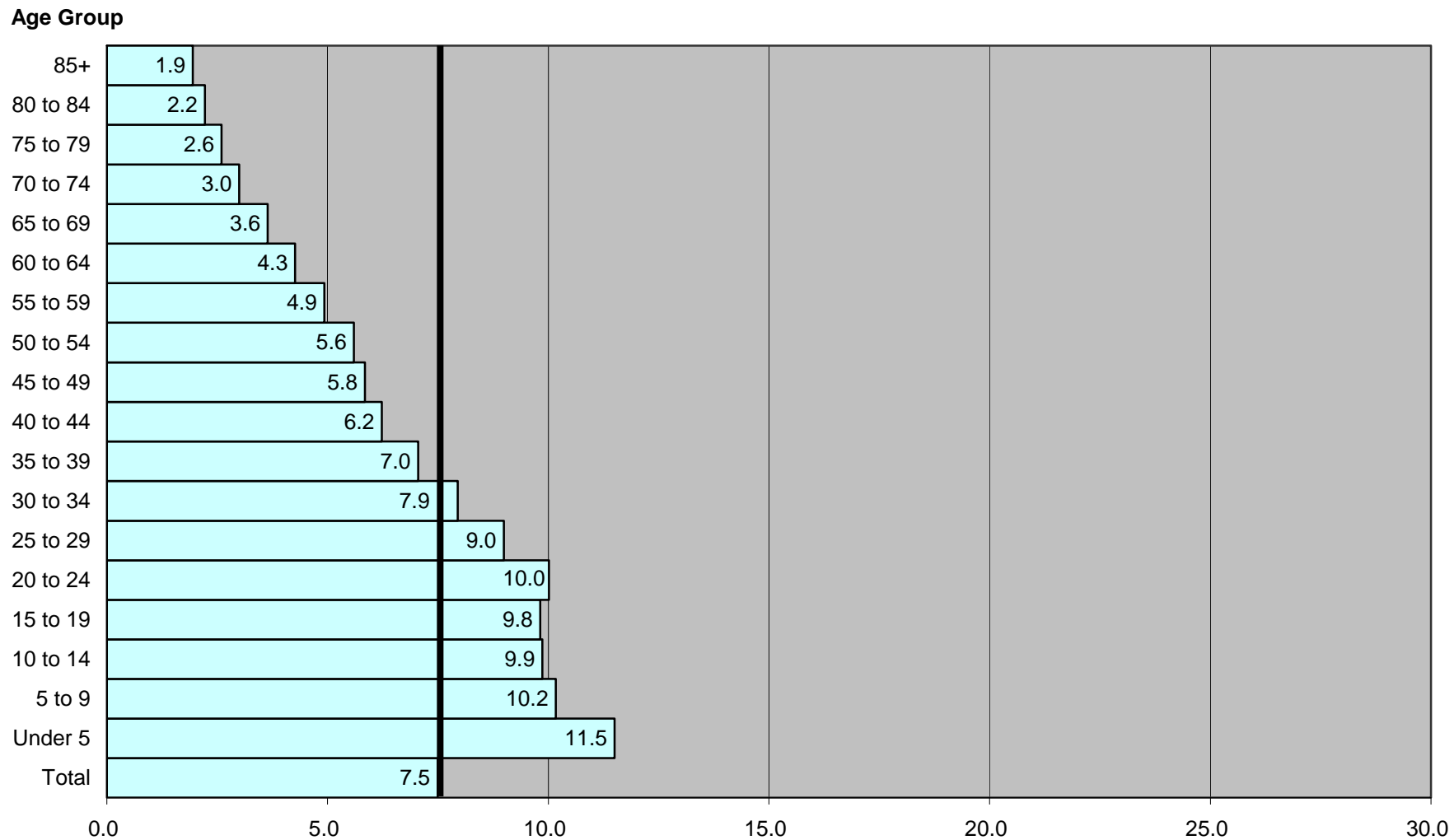
## Population Change between 2000-2008

- Majority Population Increased and Minority Population Increased (9)
- Majority Population Decreased and Minority Population Increased (79)
- Majority Population Decreased and Minority Population Decreased or No Change (5)

Sources: 2000 Decennial Census; Estimates of the Population by Sex and Race - released May 14, 2009, U.S. Census Bureau

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## 1990 Nebraska Population by Five-Year Age Group: Non-White or Hispanic/Latino (Minority Population) as a Percent of State Total

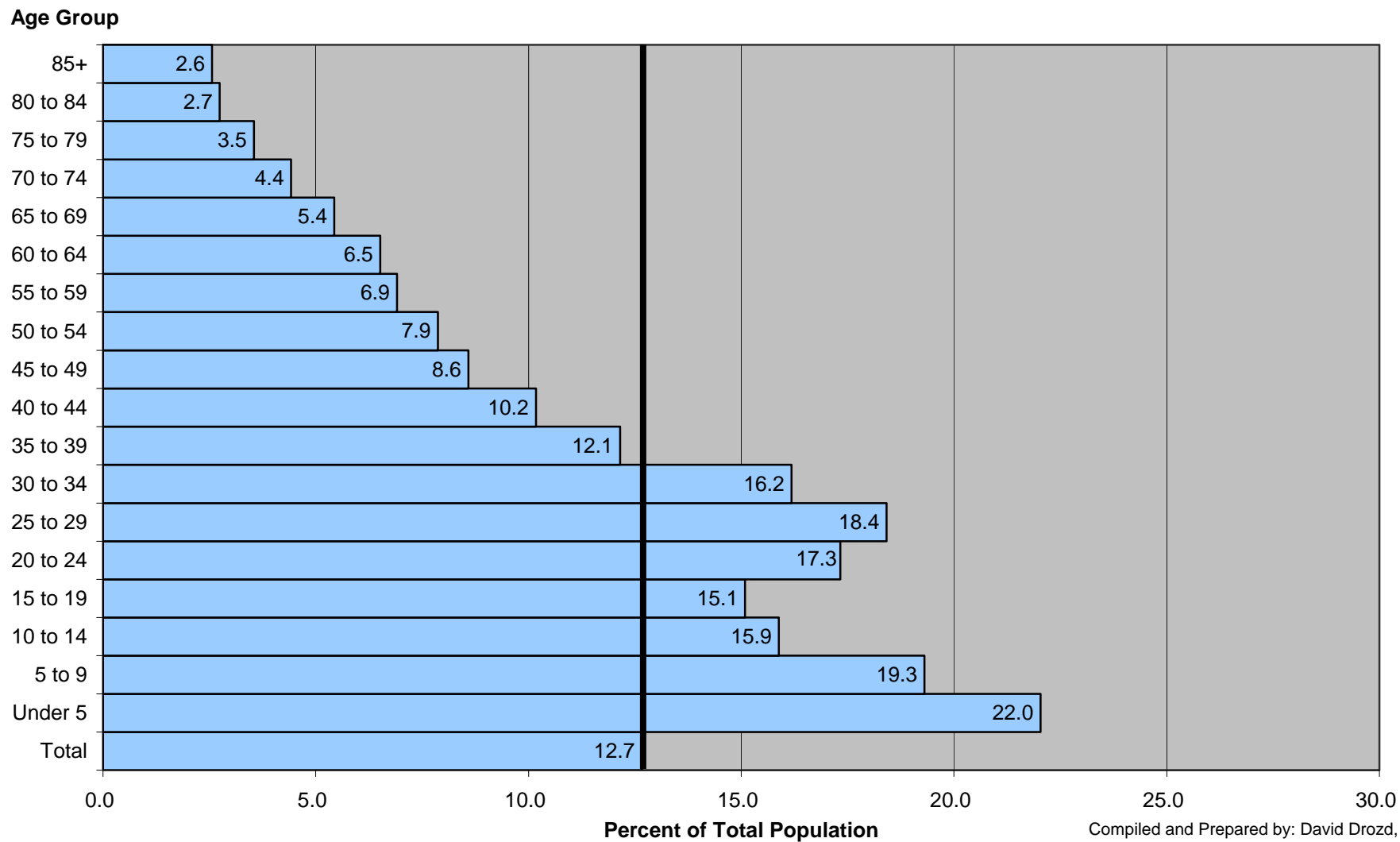


Source: 1990 Census, U.S. Census Bureau, Table 19  
in Nebraska Publication 1990 CP-1-29

**Percent of Total Population**

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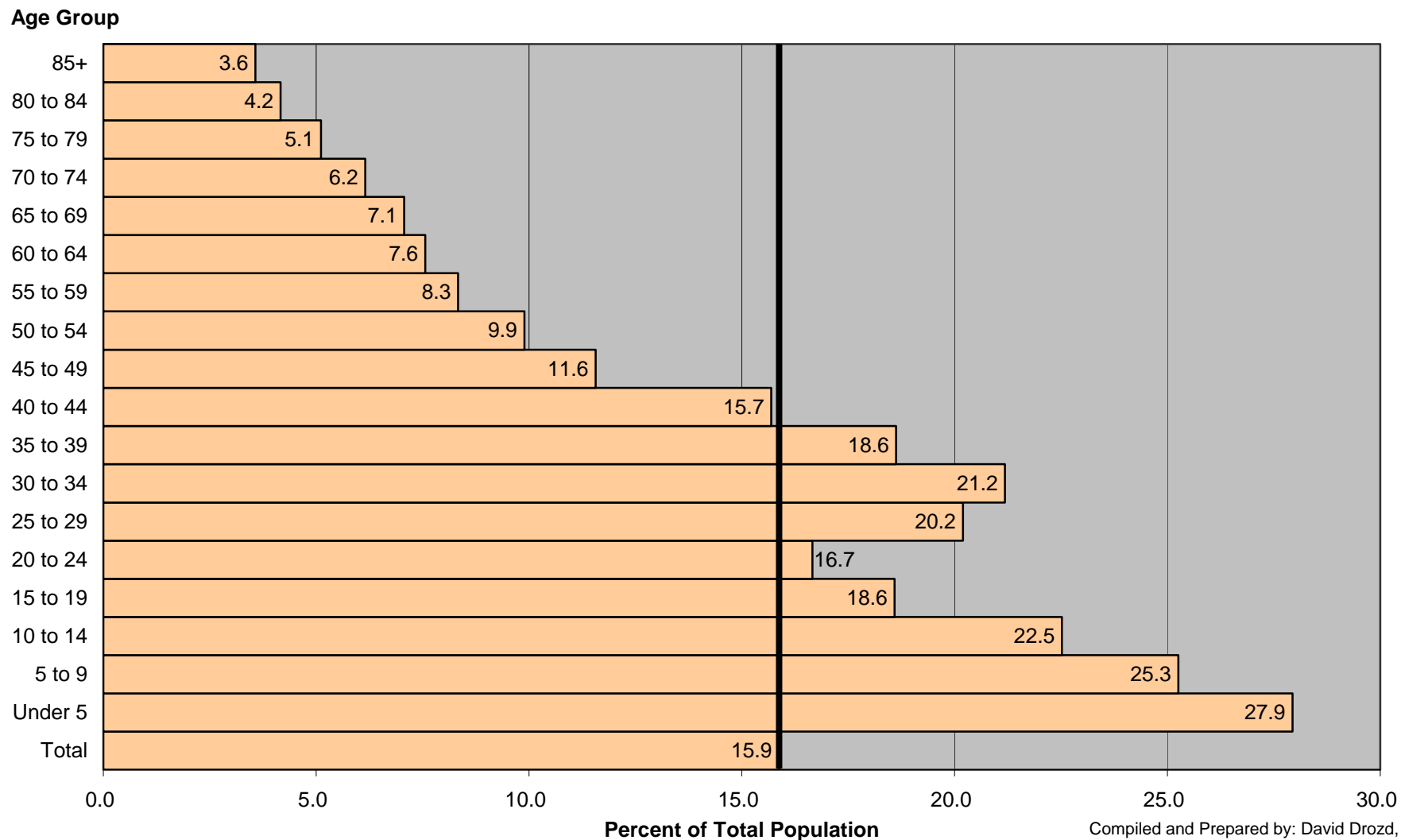
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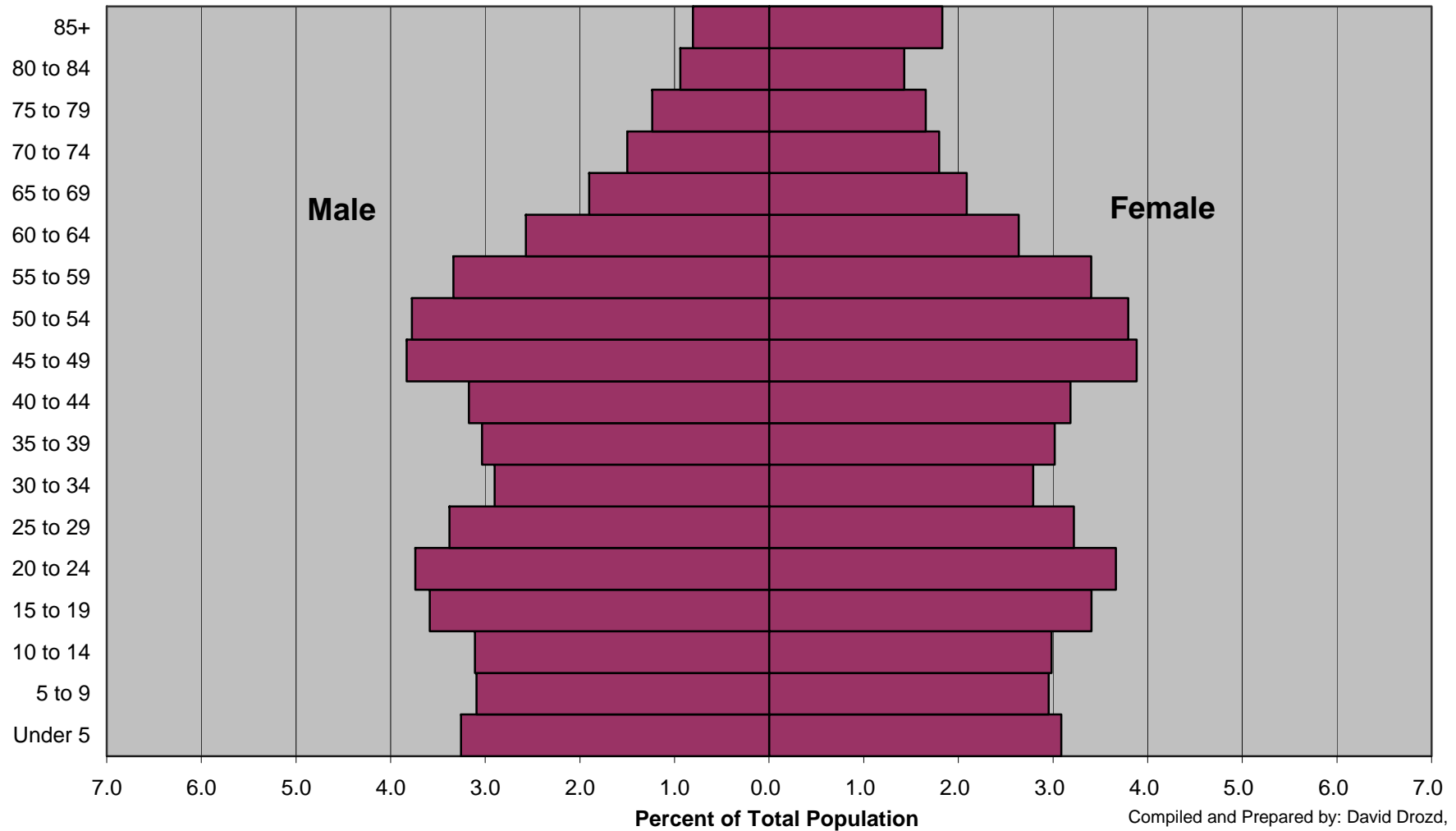
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## 2008 Nebraska Population by Sex and Five-Year Age Group: White Alone, not Hispanic/Latino (Majority Population)

Age Group



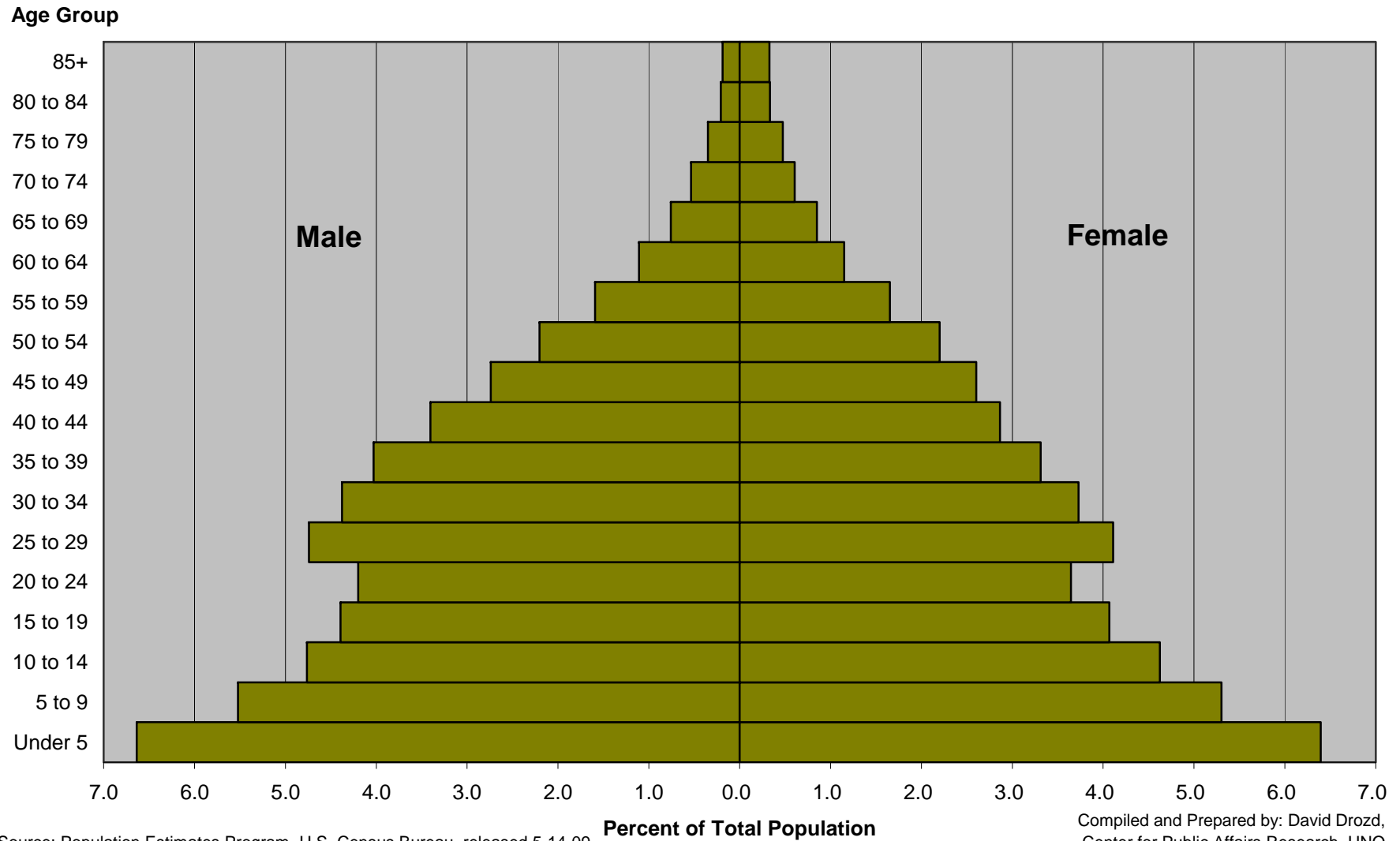
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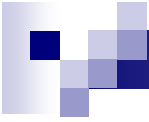
# Natural Change

Natural Change = Births - Deaths

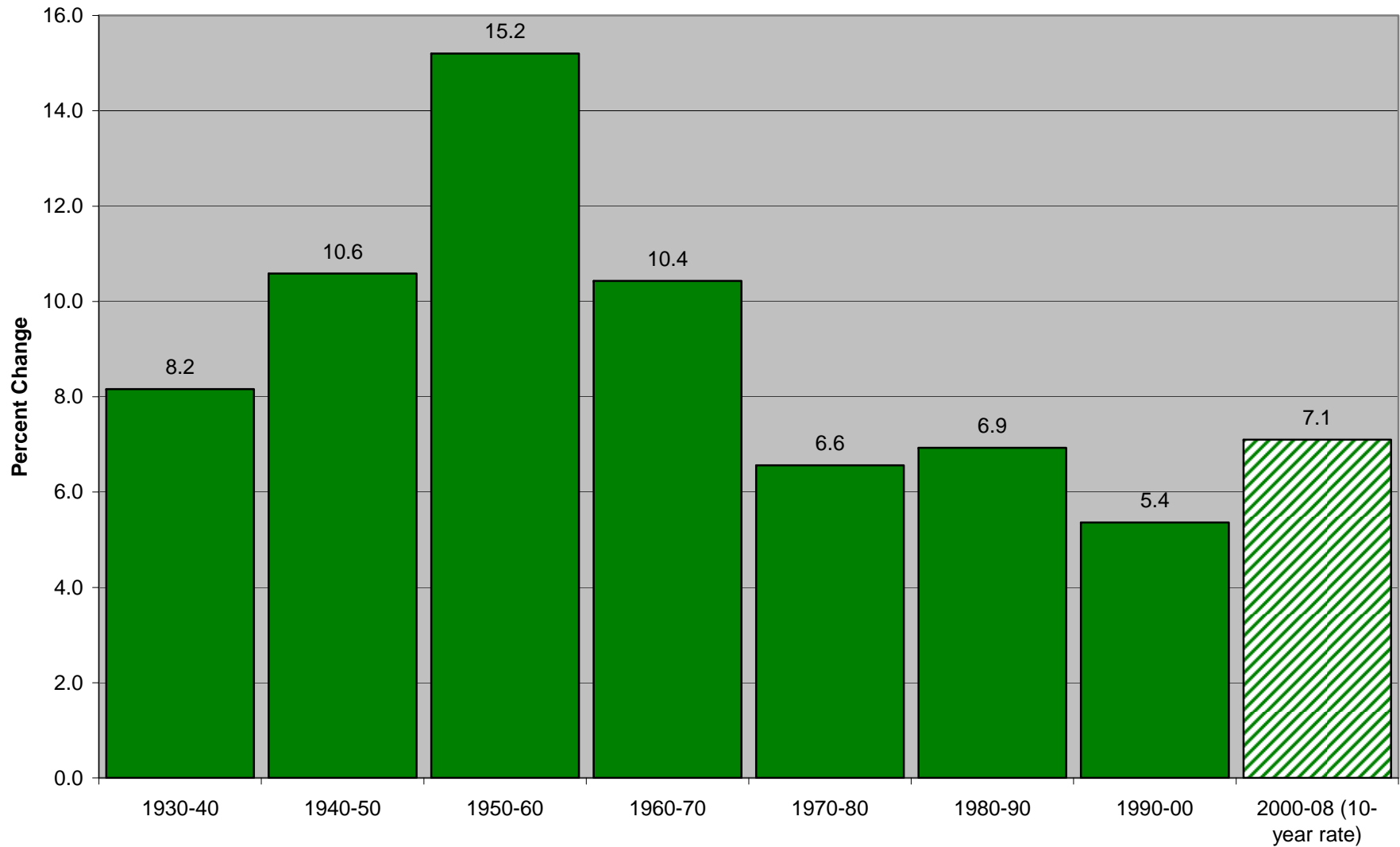


# Natural Change

- 1990 to 2000
  - Births leveled off and then increased slightly
  - Birth rates by age of mother increased slightly from 1990
  - Deaths increased slightly
  - 41 counties had more deaths than births
- 2000 to 2007
  - Births in 2007 highest since 1982
    - 26,935 in 2007
    - Recent peak was 27,335 in 1980
  - Natural increase higher than any time during the 1990s
  - 49 counties had more births than deaths, and 44 had more deaths than births

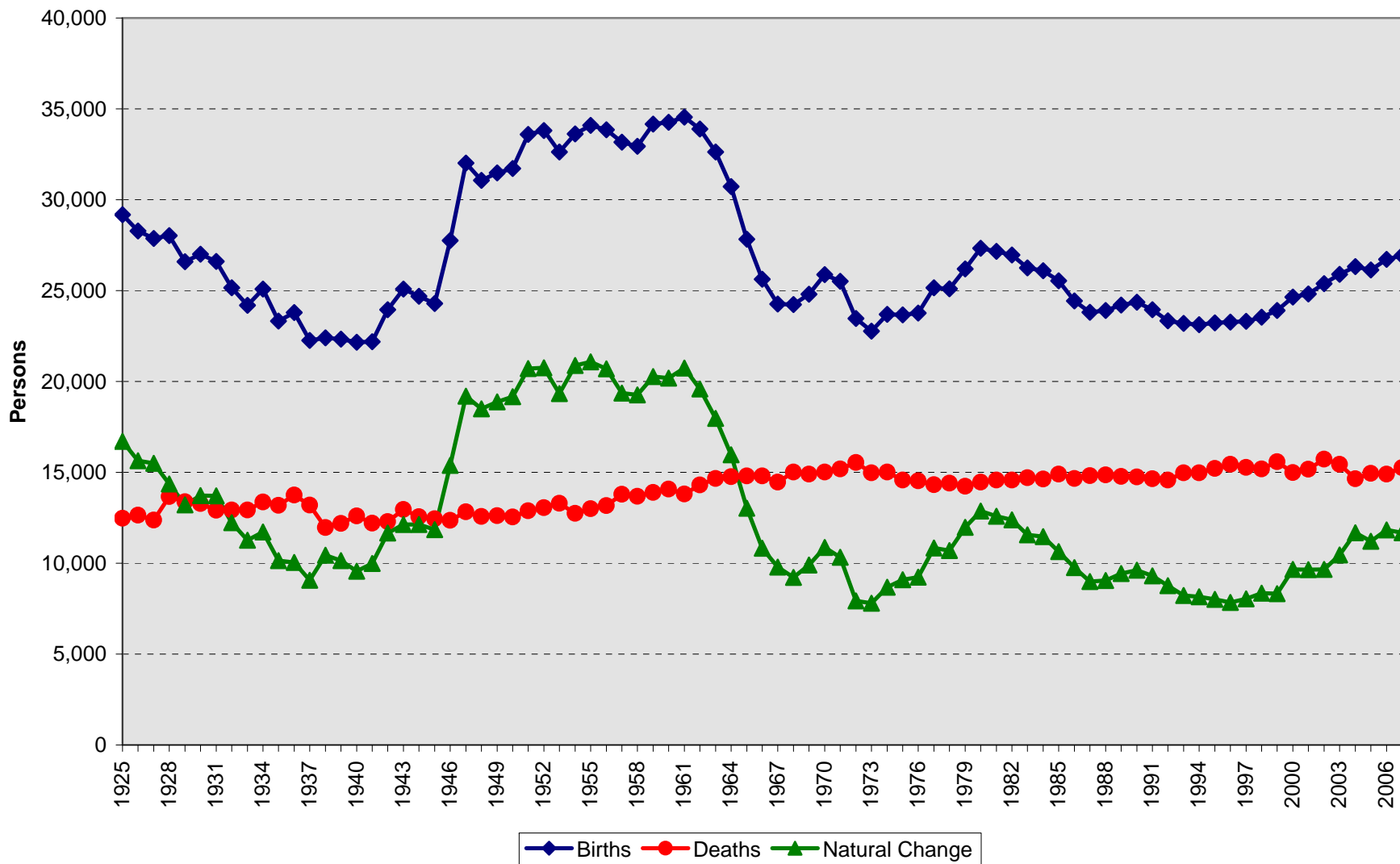


### Nebraska Natural Population Change (Births - Deaths) by Decade: 1930 to 2008



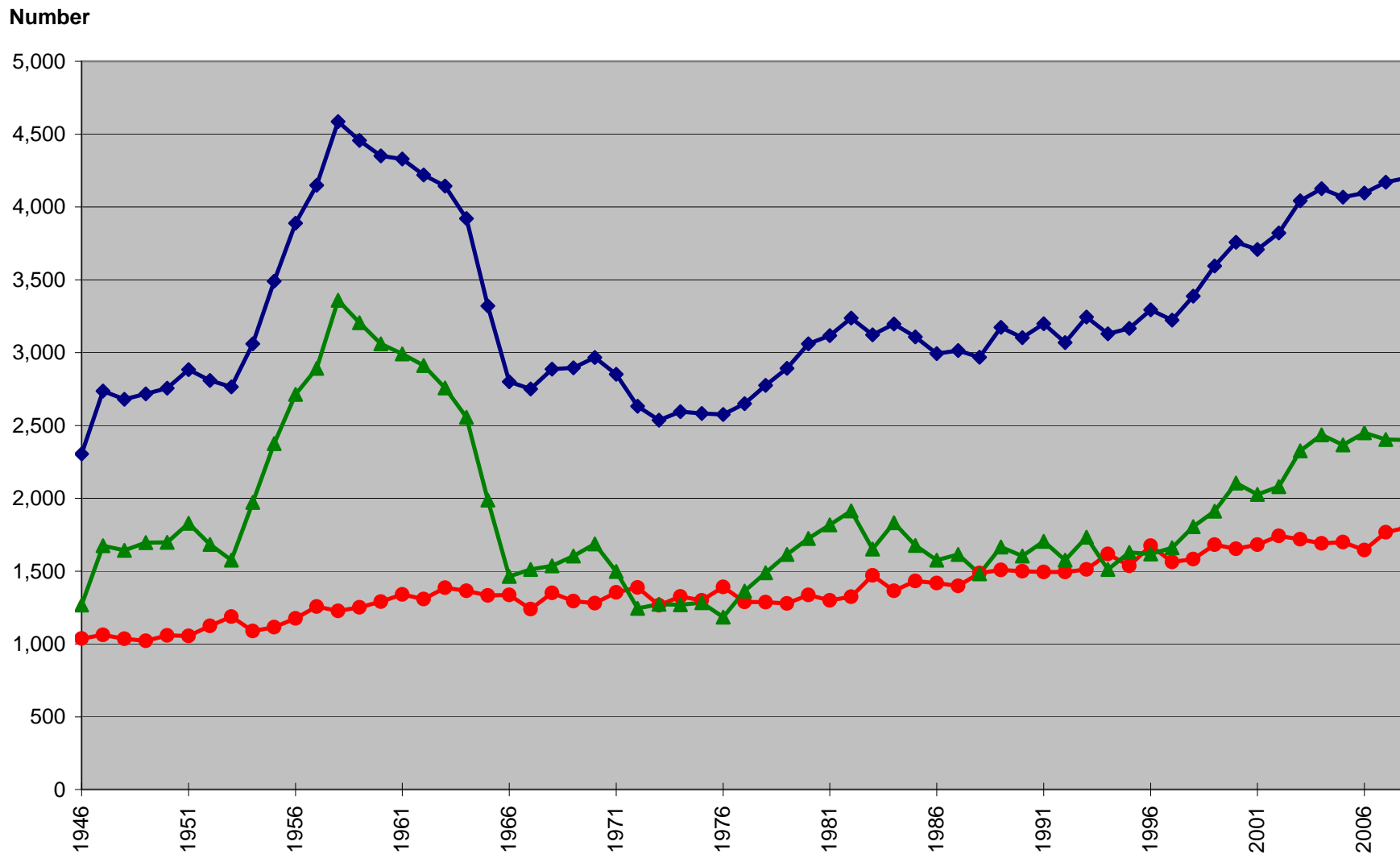
Sources: Nebraska Health and Human Services System, Vital Statistics; and US Census Bureau, Decennial Censuses and Annual Estimates

## Nebraska Births and Deaths, 1925-2007



Source: Nebraska Health and Human Services System, Vital Statistics

## Lancaster County Births, Deaths, and Natural Change: 1946-2008



Source: Vital Statistics, Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services

◆ Births ● Deaths ▲ Natural Change

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## Crude Birth and Death Rates: 2007

	<u>Birth</u>	<u>Death</u>	<u>Net</u>
■ Metro Counties	16.5	6.9	9.6
■ Core Micro Co. (Adams, Platte, etc.)	15.1	9.6	5.5
■ Rest of the State	12.1	12.3	- .2
■ Lancaster County	15.2	6.4	8.8



# Net Migration





# Net Migration

## ■ 1990 to 2000

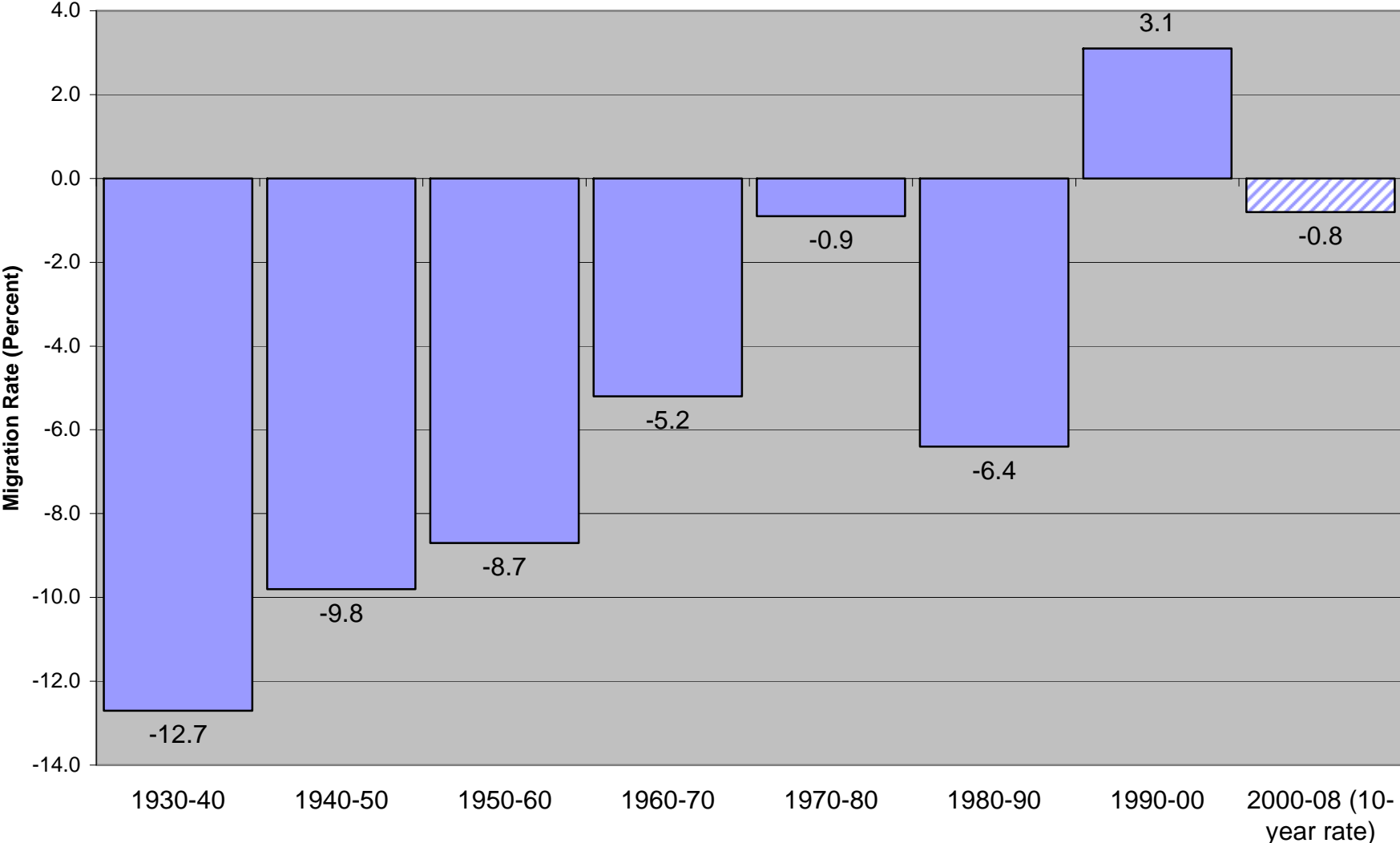
- Added about 48,000 persons during the decade (3.1 percent)
- Decade with net immigration for the first time in 6 decades
- International greater than domestic
- 42 counties had net immigration or no net outmigration

## ■ 2000 to 2008

- In 2008, lost 11,435 persons since 2000 for a decade rate of -0.8 percent
- Net immigration between 2007 and 2008
- State still experiencing international immigration during each year
- State experiencing domestic outmigration for each year
- Only 10 counties had net immigration (2000-08)
  - Sarpy, Washington, Lancaster, and Cass were above 2.0 percent



### Nebraska Net Migration by Decade: 1930 to 2008



Sources: US Census Bureau, Decennial Censuses and Annual Estimates; and Nebraska Health and Human Services System, Vital Statistics

## Total Population Change and Components of Change for Lancaster County: 1950 to 2008

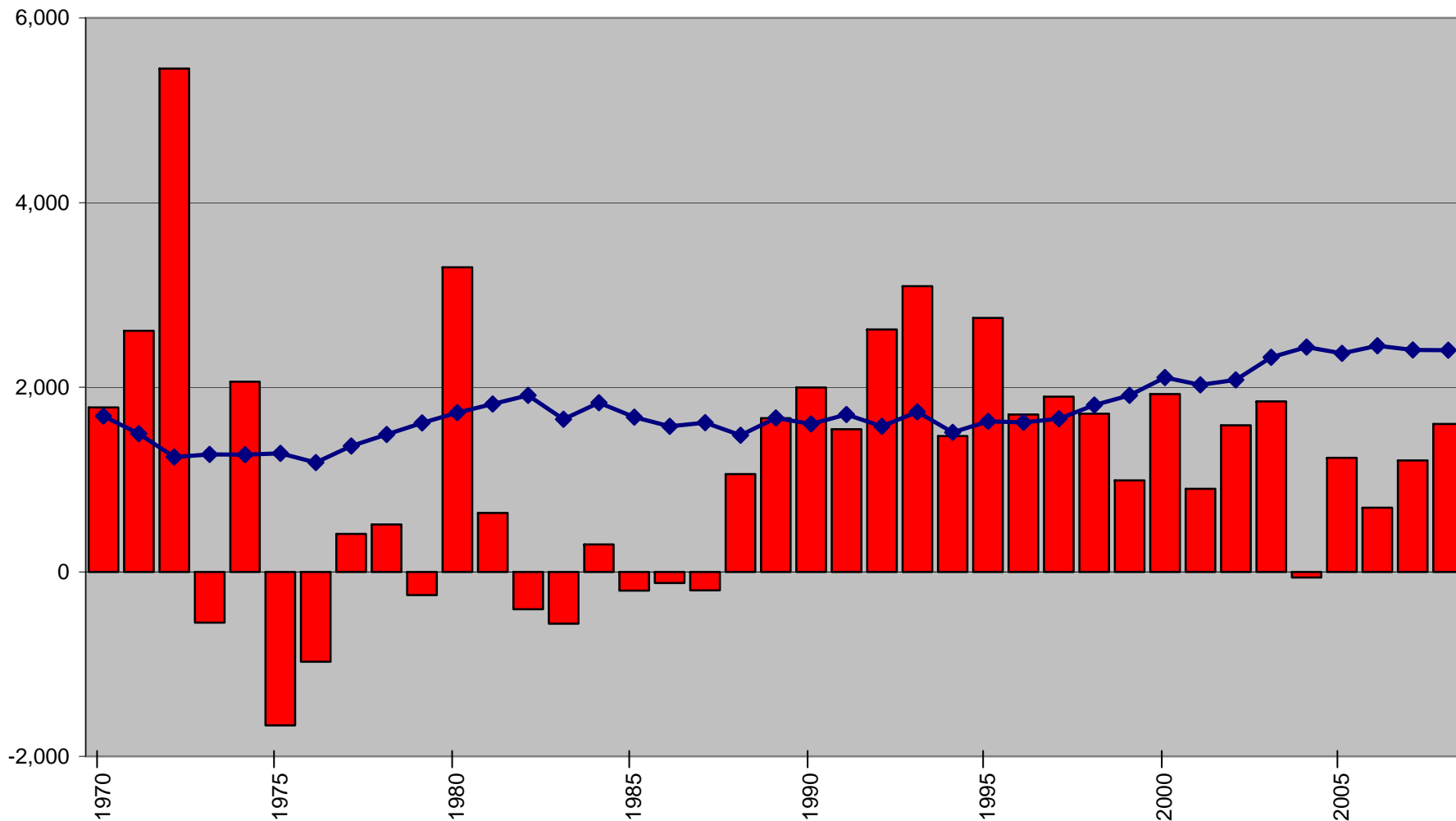
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Vital Statistics Reports, Nebraska Department of Health & Human Services

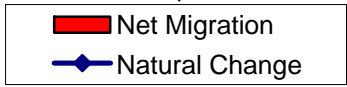
Item	Lancaster County, Nebraska						
	1950	1960	1970	1980	1990	2000	2008
<b>Total Population</b>	<b>119,742</b>	<b>155,272</b>	<b>167,972</b>	<b>192,884</b>	<b>213,641</b>	<b>250,291</b>	<b>278,728</b>
Population change from last decade		35,530	12,700	24,912	20,757	36,650	28,437
Natural change (births - deaths)		23,303	22,379	13,901	16,950	16,753	18,191
Net migration (total change - natural change)		12,227	-9,679	11,011	3,807	19,897	10,246
Percent Change or Rate (as a % of population at start of period)		1950s	1960s	1970s	1980s	1990s	2000s*
Percent Change of Total Population		29.7	8.2	14.8	10.8	17.2	14.2
Rate of Natural Change		19.5	14.4	8.3	8.8	7.8	9.1
Rate of Net Migration		10.2	-6.2	6.6	2.0	9.3	5.1

\* Rate for the 2000s is extrapolated to be a 10-year rate for direct comparison to other decades.

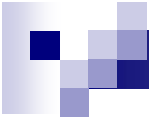
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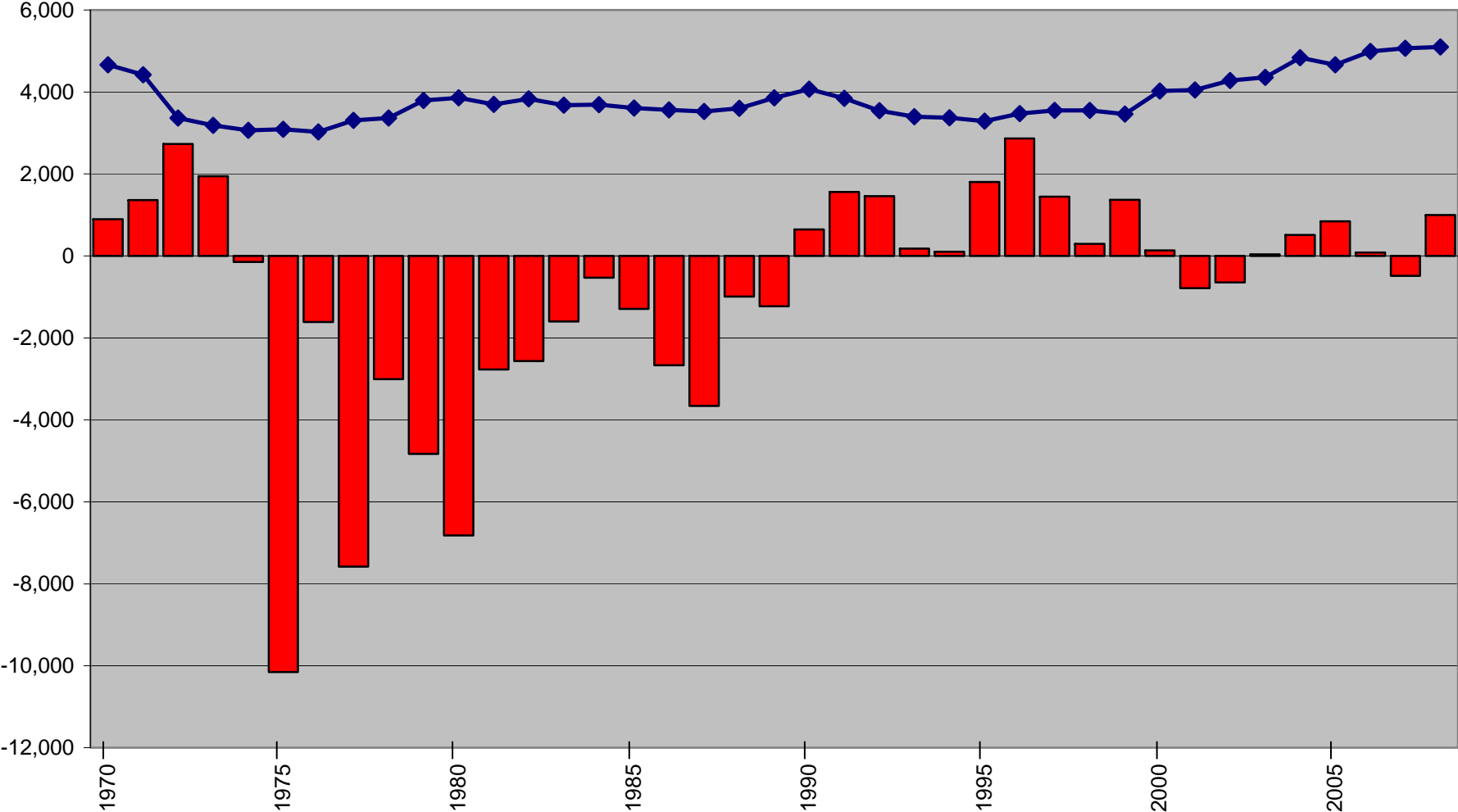
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# Douglas County Components of Population Change, 1970-2008



Source: Vital Statistics, Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services; Annual Population Estimates, U.S. Census Bureau - released 3-19-09

■ Net Migration  
◆ Natural Change

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# Cities and Towns




# Cities/Towns (2000-2008)

## ■ Highest percentage growth

<u>City/Town</u>	<u>County</u>	<u>Percentage Change</u>
1. Gretna	Sarpy	179.1
2. Terrytown*	Scotts Bluff	84.2
3. Waterloo	Douglas	80.6
4. Hickman	Lancaster	46.4
5. Papillion	Sarpy	45.1
6. La Vista	Sarpy	42.3
7. Waverly	Lancaster	30.7
8. Bennet	Lancaster	28.4
9. Firth	Lancaster	22.5
10. Hershey*	Lincoln	22.2
20. Lincoln	Lancaster	11.5

\* Due entirely to annexation



# Lincoln and Omaha: Metro and City Rankings (2000 vs. 2008)

- In 2008, the Lincoln metro (Lancaster & Seward Counties) is the 155<sup>th</sup> largest in the U.S. after being #160 in 2000
  - Lincoln is the 72<sup>nd</sup> largest “city” in 2008 after being #75 in 2000
    - Surpassed the 250,000 milestone with 251,624 in 2008
- The 8-county Omaha metro ranks as the 60<sup>th</sup> largest, in both 2000 and 2008
  - The “city” of Omaha is now the 40<sup>th</sup> largest city in the U.S., up from 44<sup>th</sup> in 2000





# Population Change by Size of City/Town: 2000 to 2008

■ Size class	Percent Change
Omaha	12.5
Lincoln	11.5
10,000 to 50,000	8.3
5,000 to 9,999	-2.0
2,500 to 4,999	-6.3
1,000 to 2,499	0.2 (-4.2 without Gretna)
500 to 999	-5.3
250 to 499	-6.2
100 to 249	-7.0
less than 100	-8.1
In a City or town	6.1
Not inside a city/town	- 2.2




## Comparison of 2000 to 2008 Percent Population Changes by City Size Category: Select States

Source: Population Estimates (rel. 7-1-09), Census Bureau

Size of City	Nebraska	Kansas	Iowa
< 100 residents	-8.1	-6.9	-6.8
100-249 residents	-7.0	-6.8	-5.2
250-499 residents	-6.2	-4.8	-4.9
500 - 999 residents	-5.3	-4.6	0.2
1,000 - 2,499 residents	-4.2	-1.4	0.1
2,500 - 4,999 residents	-6.3	2.6	0.0
5,000 - 9,999 residents	-2.0	9.0	8.9
10,000 - 49,999 residents	8.3	6.1	8.4
50,000 or more residents	11.0	8.1	2.0
<b>Overall</b>	<b>6.1</b>	<b>5.7</b>	<b>3.6</b>



# Projections By Age: 2010-2030

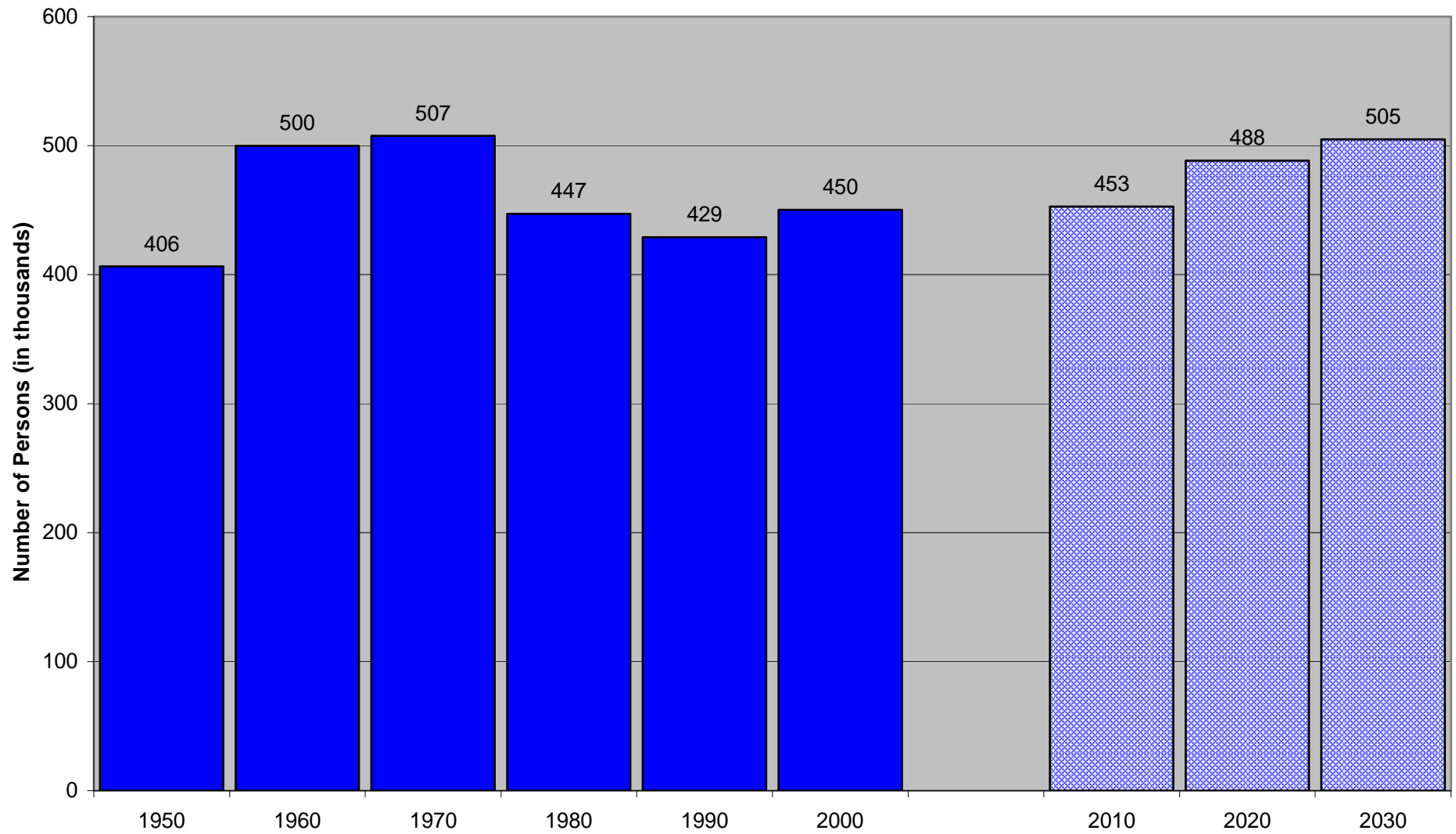


# Projections 2010-2030

- Assumes three migration series
  - Low series—migration rates of the 1980s
  - High series—migration rates of the 1990s
  - Trend series—average of the 80s and 90s and/or trends of the 2000s continuing
    - Birth rates
    - Survival rates
    - Migration rates

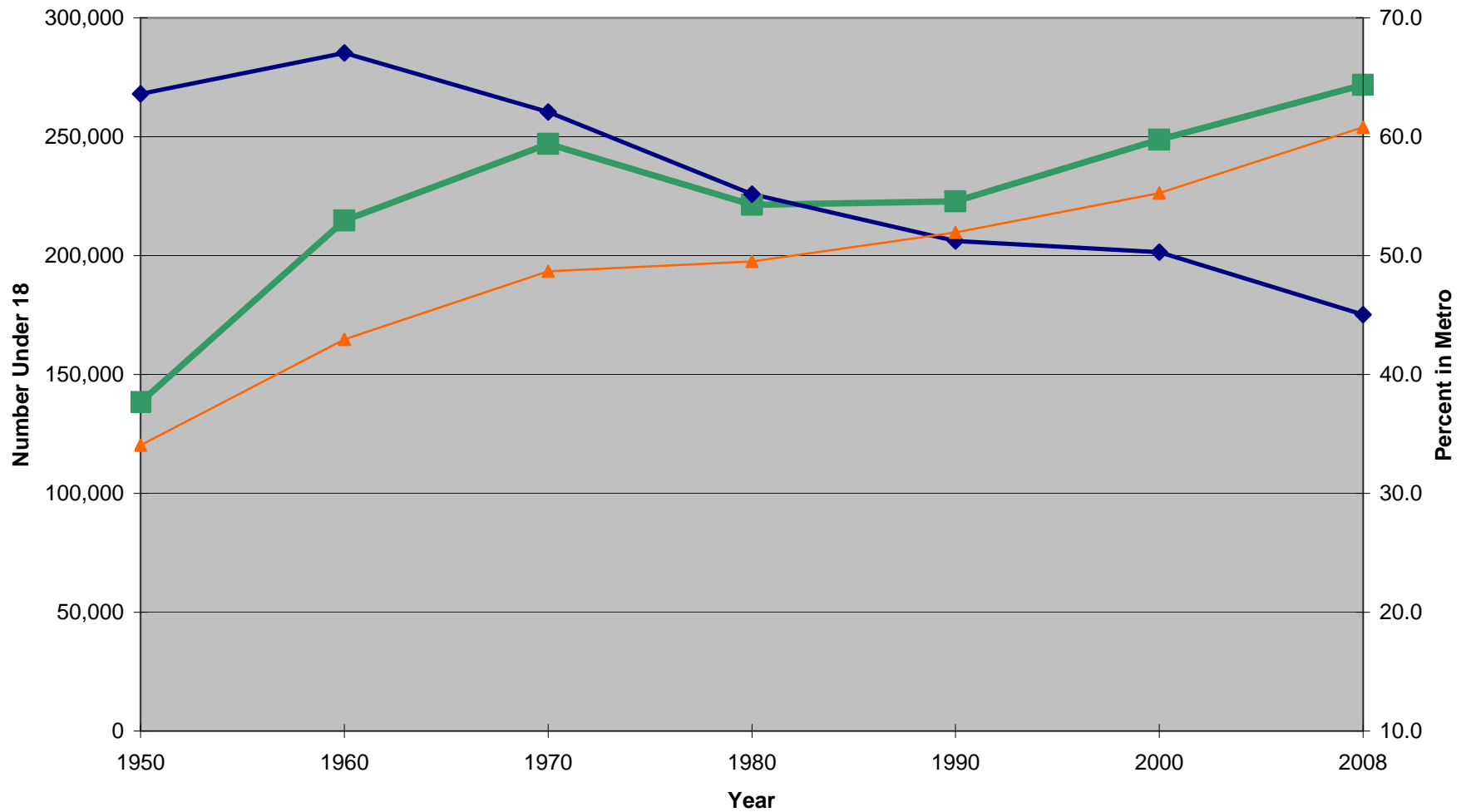


## Population and Population Projections For the Nebraska Population Aged Under 18 Years: 1950 to 2030





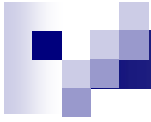
### Number of Nebraska Children Under 18 in Metro and NonMetro Areas: 1950-2008 (2003 Metro Definitions presented for all time periods)



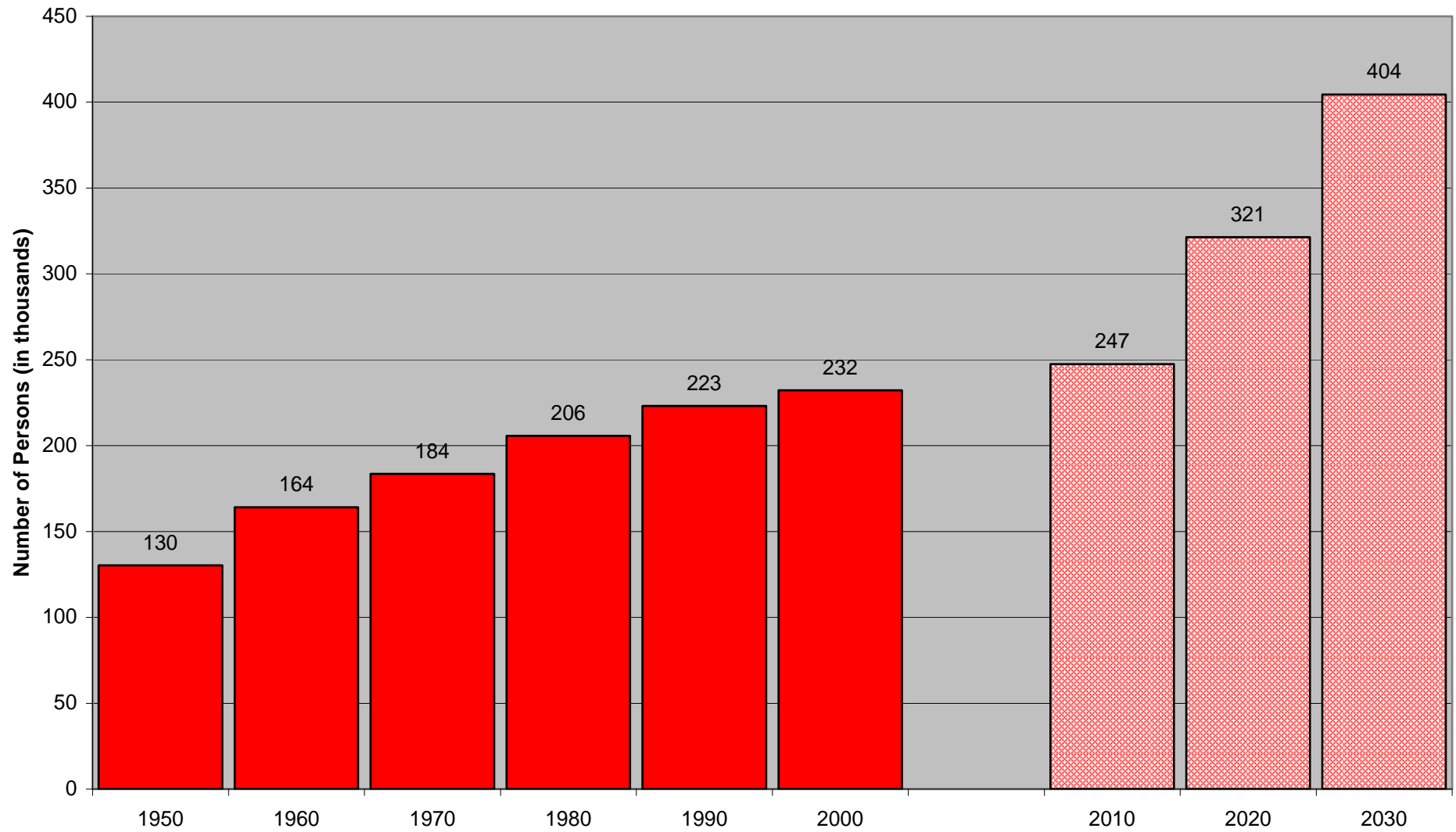
Sources: Decennial Censuses and Annual Estimates Program (released 5-14-09), U.S. Census Bureau

—■— Metro —◆— Non-Metro —▲— % in Metro

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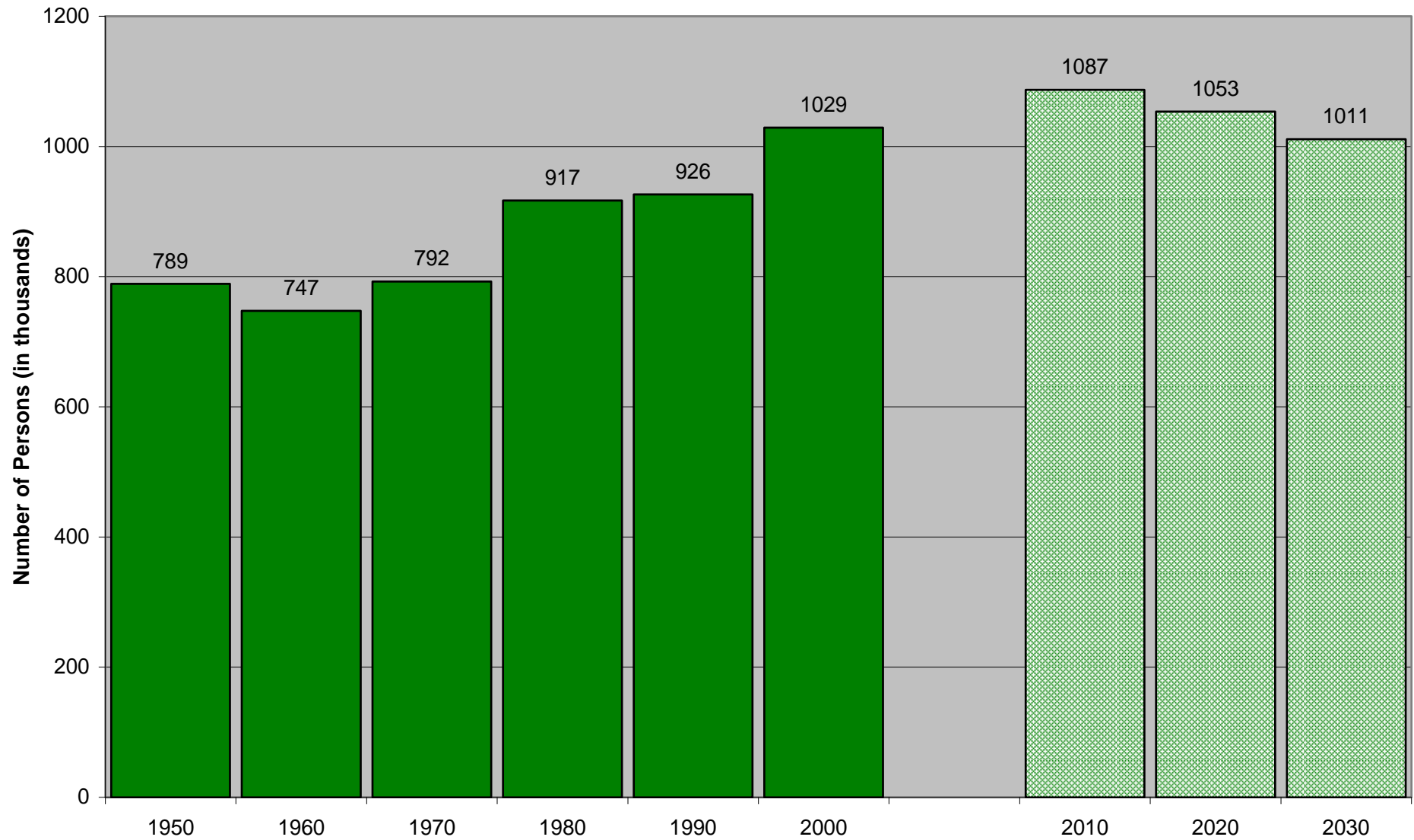
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Projections by Center for Public Affairs Research, UNO, Aug. 2008

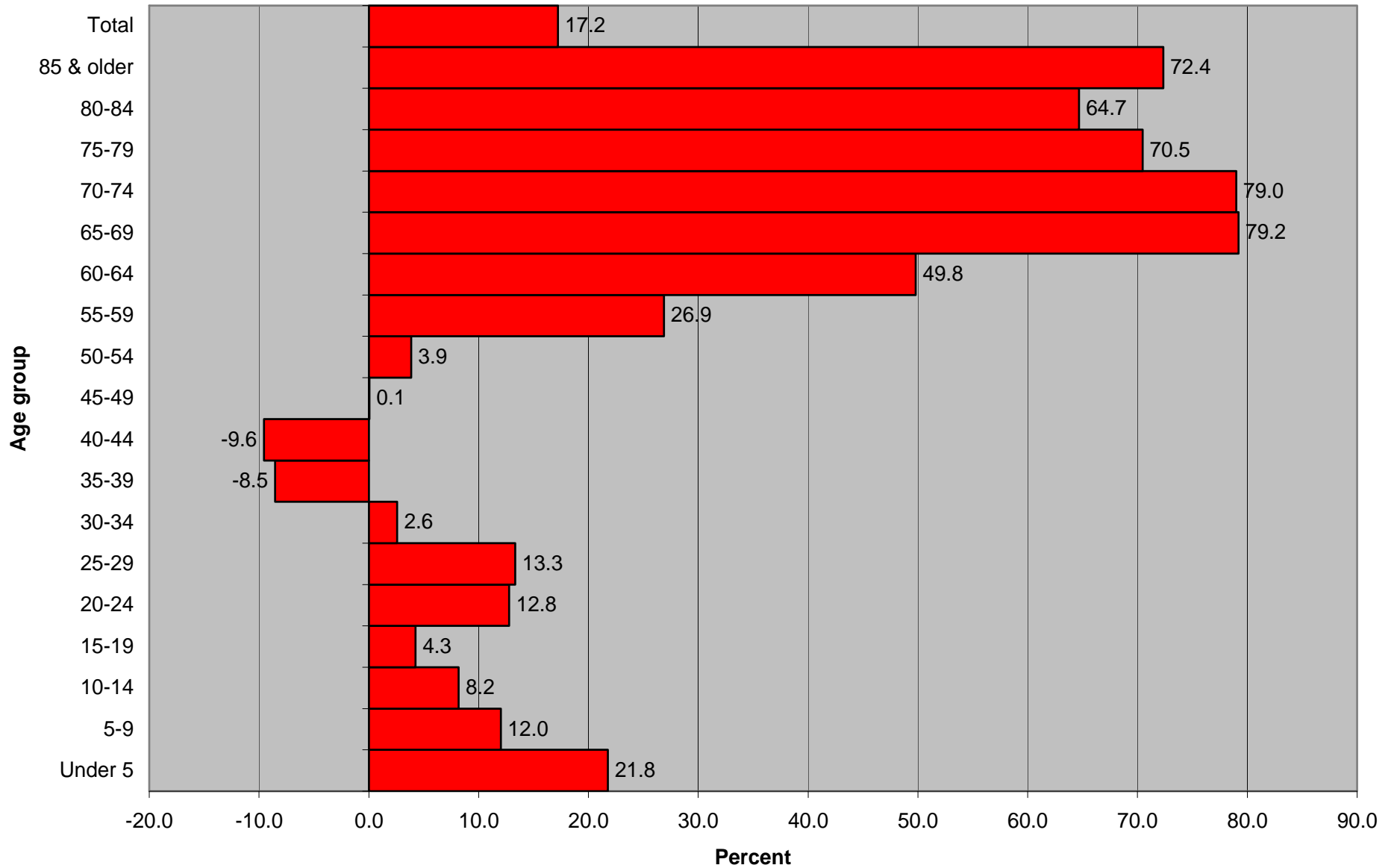


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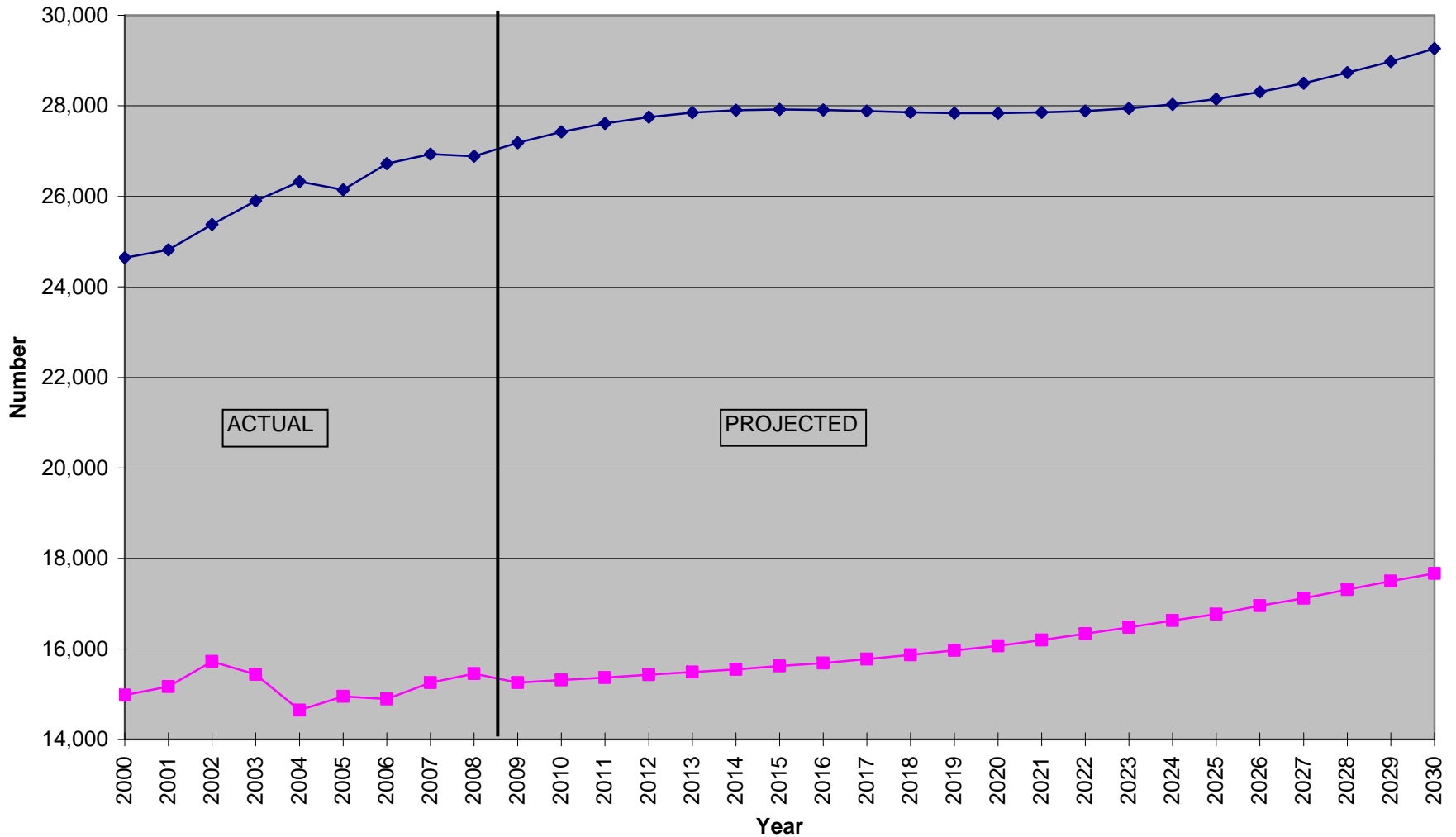


### Percentage Change in Nebraska Population By 5-Year Age Group: 2000-30



Projections by Center for Public Affairs Research, UNO, Aug. 2008

## Nebraska Actual and Projected Births and Deaths: 2000-2030



Sources: Nebraska Health and Human Service Department, CPAR @ UNO projections, Aug 2008

◆ Births    ■ Deaths



# Population Summary

- The state will continue to gain population, primarily from births exceeding deaths as the baby boom echo moves through their peak child bearing years and Hispanic immigration continues. 2008-09 could be an especially strong year of growth.
- Since 2000, the state has experienced a slight outmigration, but Lancaster County continues to have more people move in than move out.
- The trend of Nebraska's population becoming concentrated in its most populous counties is expected to continue.
  - Together Douglas, Sarpy, and Lancaster Counties account for somewhat more than half of the state's population, and this proportion gradually will increase.
- The state's racial and ethnic diversity will increase.
  - Most of the growth in the state's population will be in its minority populations as the white, non-Latino will grow slowly if at all.
  - The minority population will continue to be much younger.



# What it all means...

- Metro-area schools need to prepare for increased elementary enrollments
- Expect an increase in non-traditional family situations for students
  - May see more financial hardship due to the economy
- Programs aimed at increasing educational attainment will lead to better economic situations for individuals and government
- Political power shifts from rural to urban may provide extra support to metro-area schools
  - Will aging baby-boomers want to change property tax policy?
- Federal funding is often tied to population so we need an accurate count in the 2010 Census
  - Do what you can to help promotion of Census participation



# CPAR Reports

- **2008 Nebraska Population Report**

[http://www.unomaha.edu/~cpar/documents/nebpopulation\\_08.pdf](http://www.unomaha.edu/~cpar/documents/nebpopulation_08.pdf)

- **Nebraska Birth Report: July 2008**

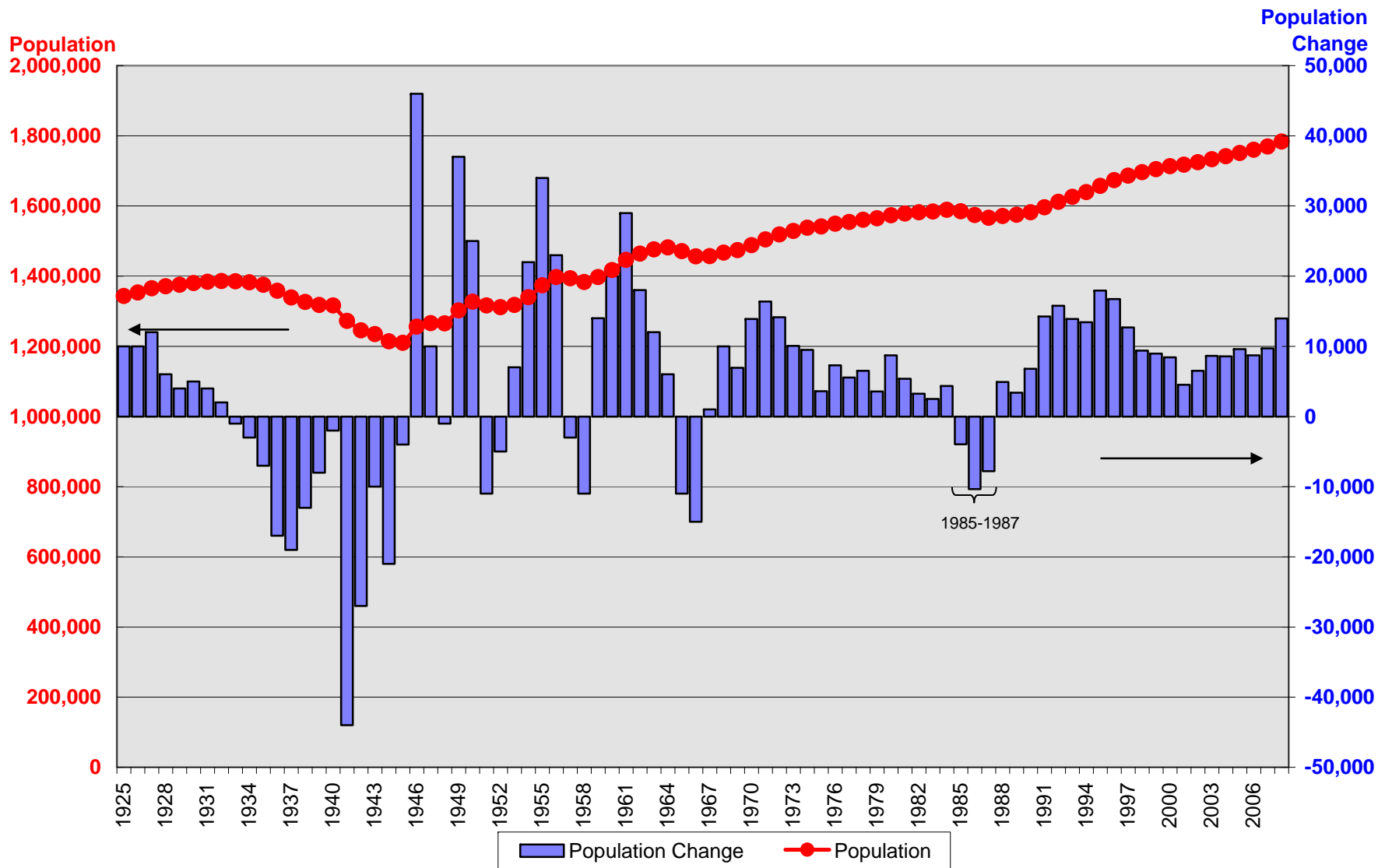
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- **Nebraska Historical Population Report:  
Sept. 2007**

[http://www.unomaha.edu/cpar/documents/historical\\_pop\\_report.pdf](http://www.unomaha.edu/cpar/documents/historical_pop_report.pdf)

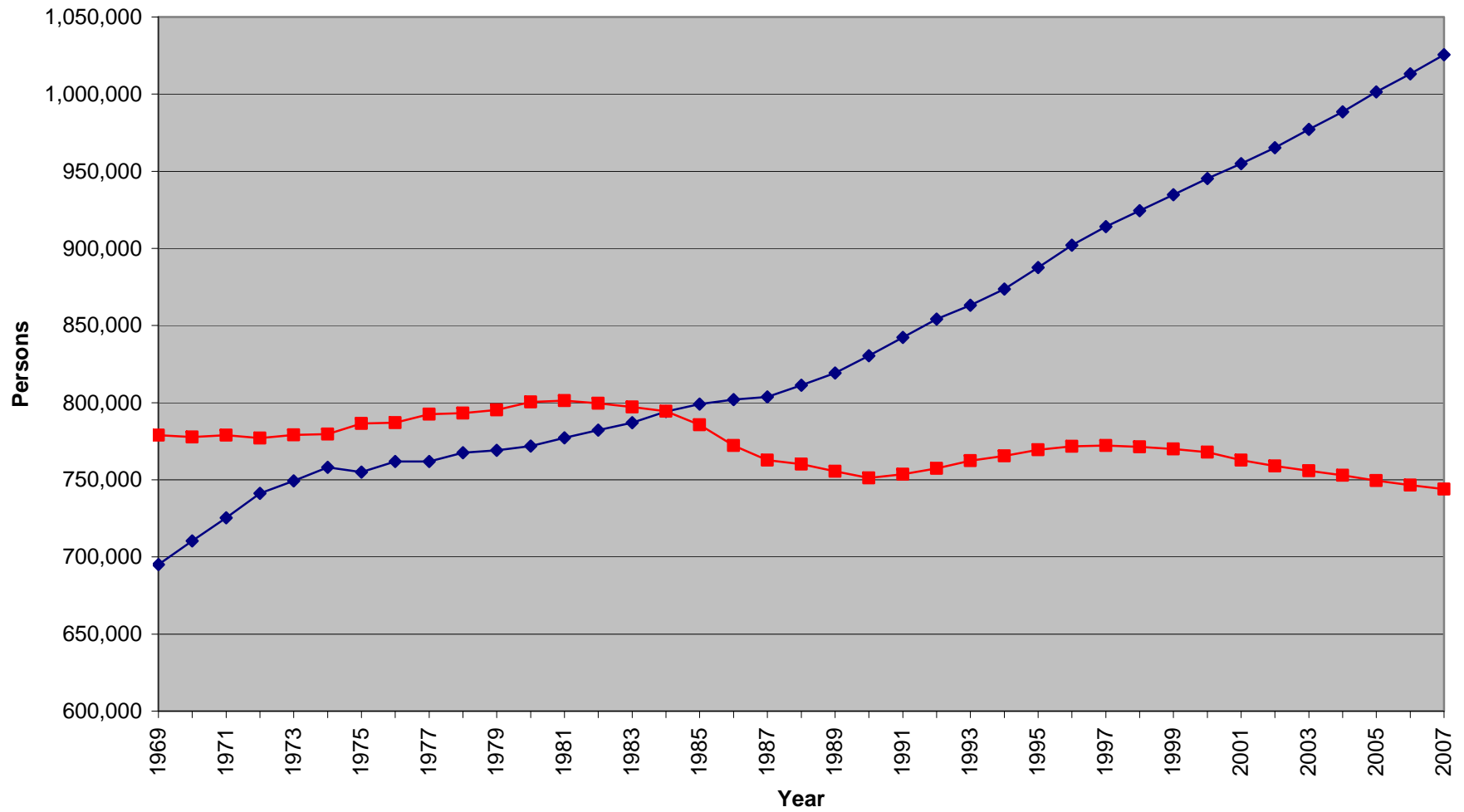
*The End*

## Nebraska Population and Population Change, 1925-2008



Sources: Nebraska Health and Human Services System, Vital Statistics; and US Census Bureau, Annual Estimates

### Population of Nebraska Counties by Metropolitan and Nonmetropolitan Staus: 1969-2008 (2003 Definitions)



Source: Annual Population Estimates,  
U.S. Census Bureau, released 3-19-09

◆ Nebraska Metropolitan Portion
 ■ Nebraska Nonmetropolitan Portion