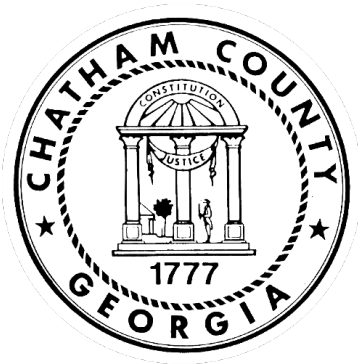




PLAN 2040

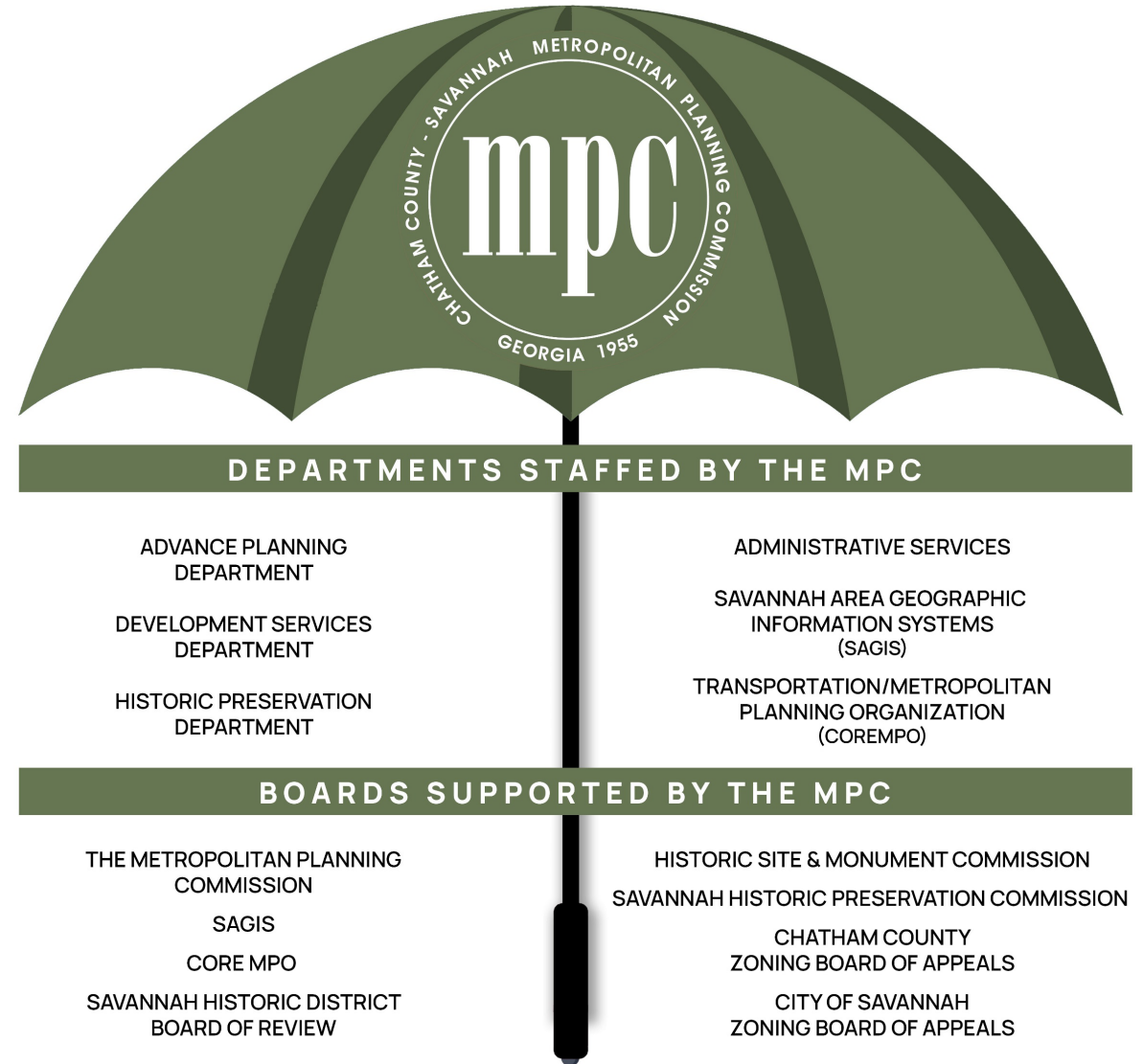
Comprehensive Plan Update



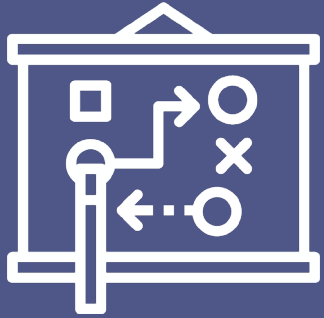
WHO WE ARE

Our Vision – The MPC will be the leader in planning, development, and preserving a greater community through partnerships and an open process.

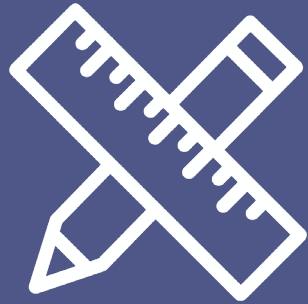
Our Mission – It shall be in the mission of the MPC to provide an accessible planning process, sound professional planning products, and recommendations to ensure a greater quality of life for all to enjoy a community that is historic, sustainable, mobile, and prosperous.”



OUR SERVICES



**ADVANCE
PLANNING**



**DEVELOPMENT
SERVICES**



**HISTORIC
PRESERVATION**



SAGIS

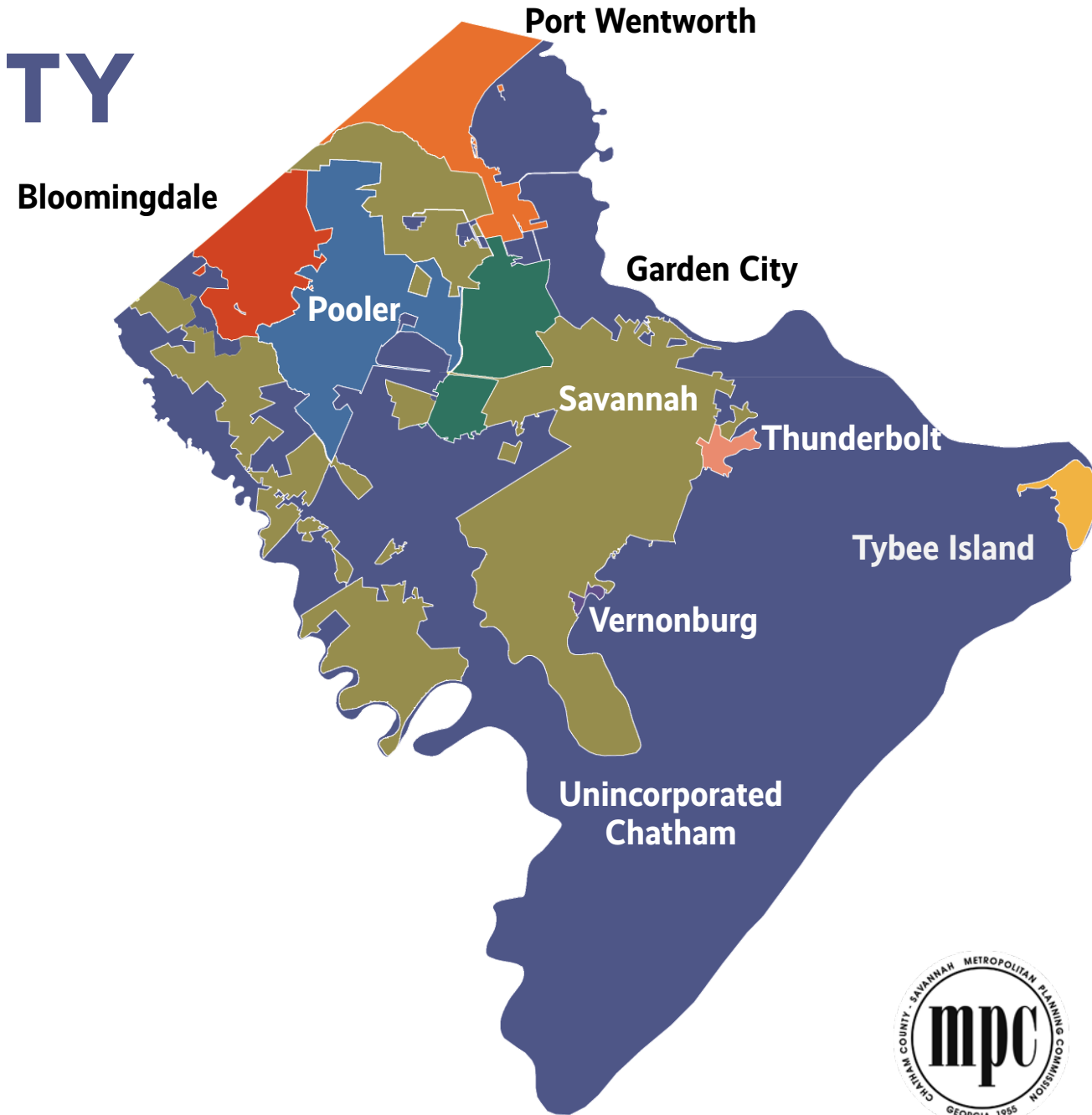


**TRANSPORTATION
CORE MPO**



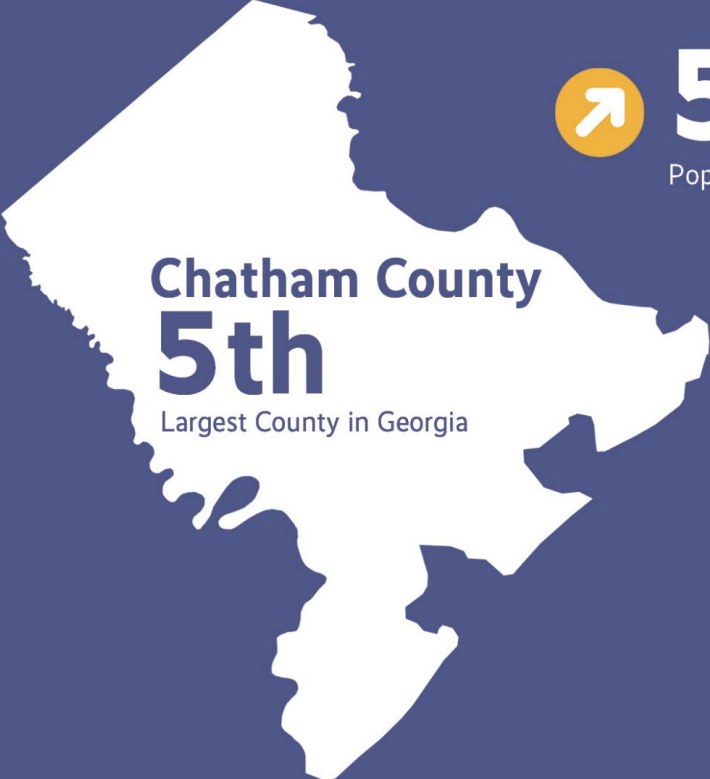
CHATHAM COUNTY

- **433.1** square miles
- **668.2** people per square mile
- **289,430** (2019) total population
- **9** Jurisdictions
- **315,524** Chatham County 2030 Population Projection
- **335,211** Chatham County 2040 Projection



CHATHAM GROWTH

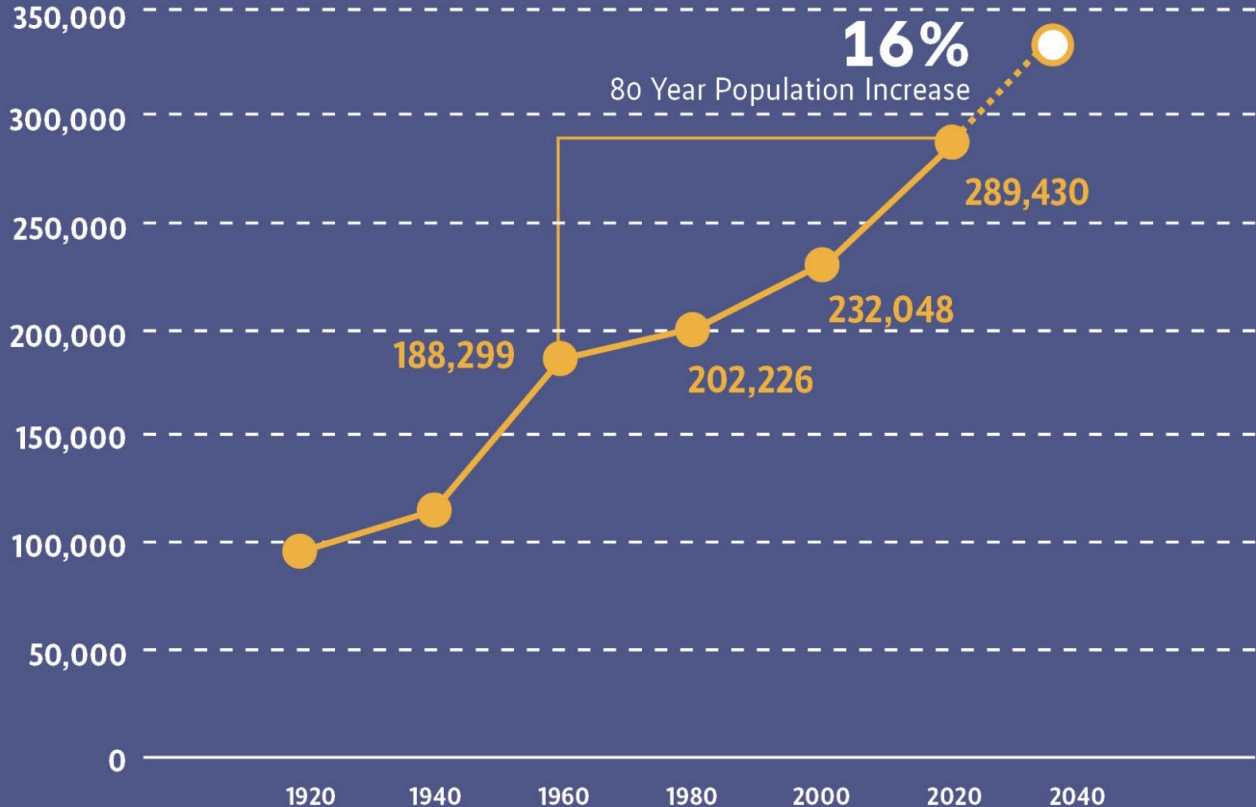
Ways Chatham County is Changing



54%
Population Increase since 1960

45,781

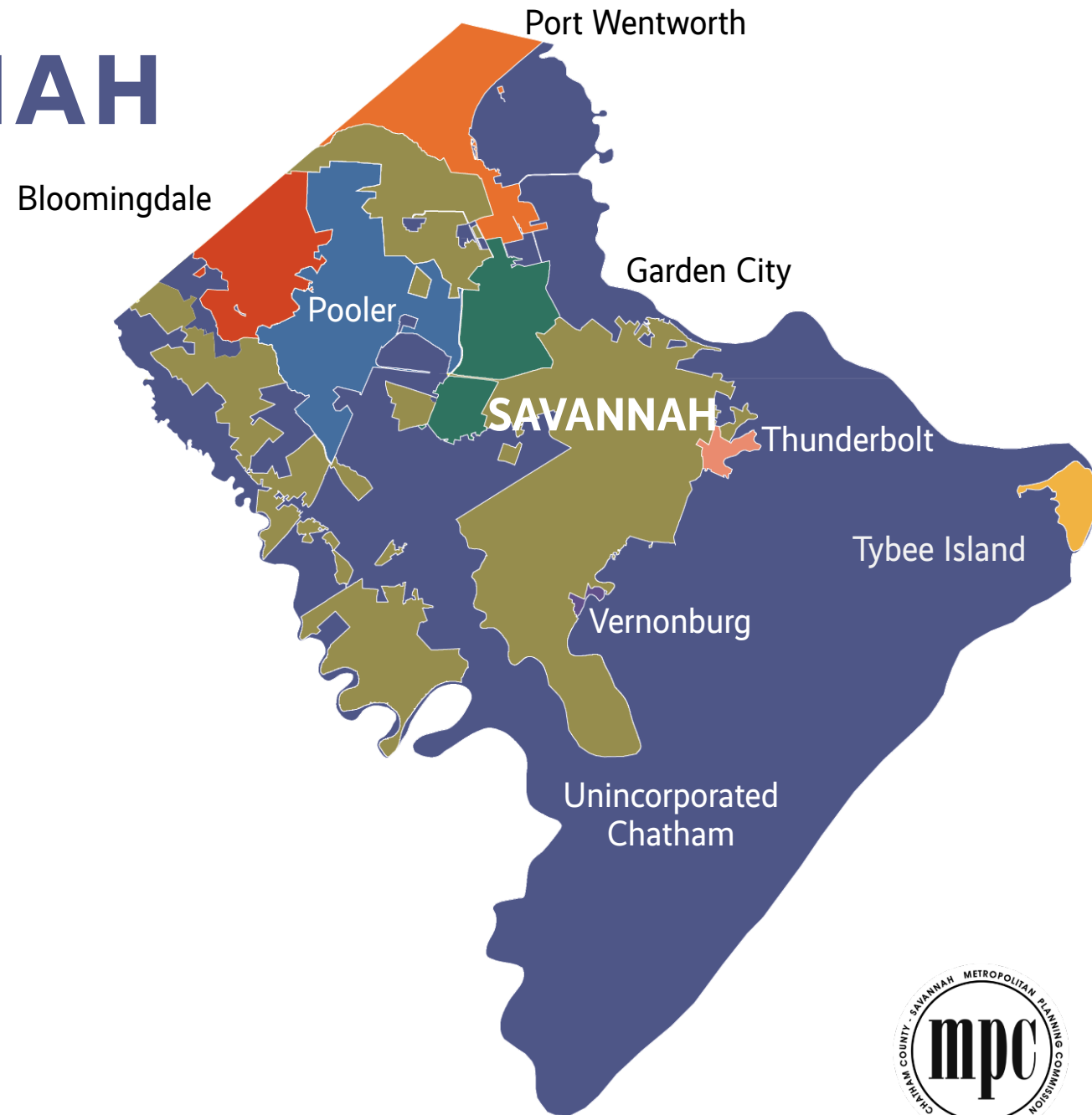
Additional People Living in Chatham by 2040



Source: ACS 2019 5-year data

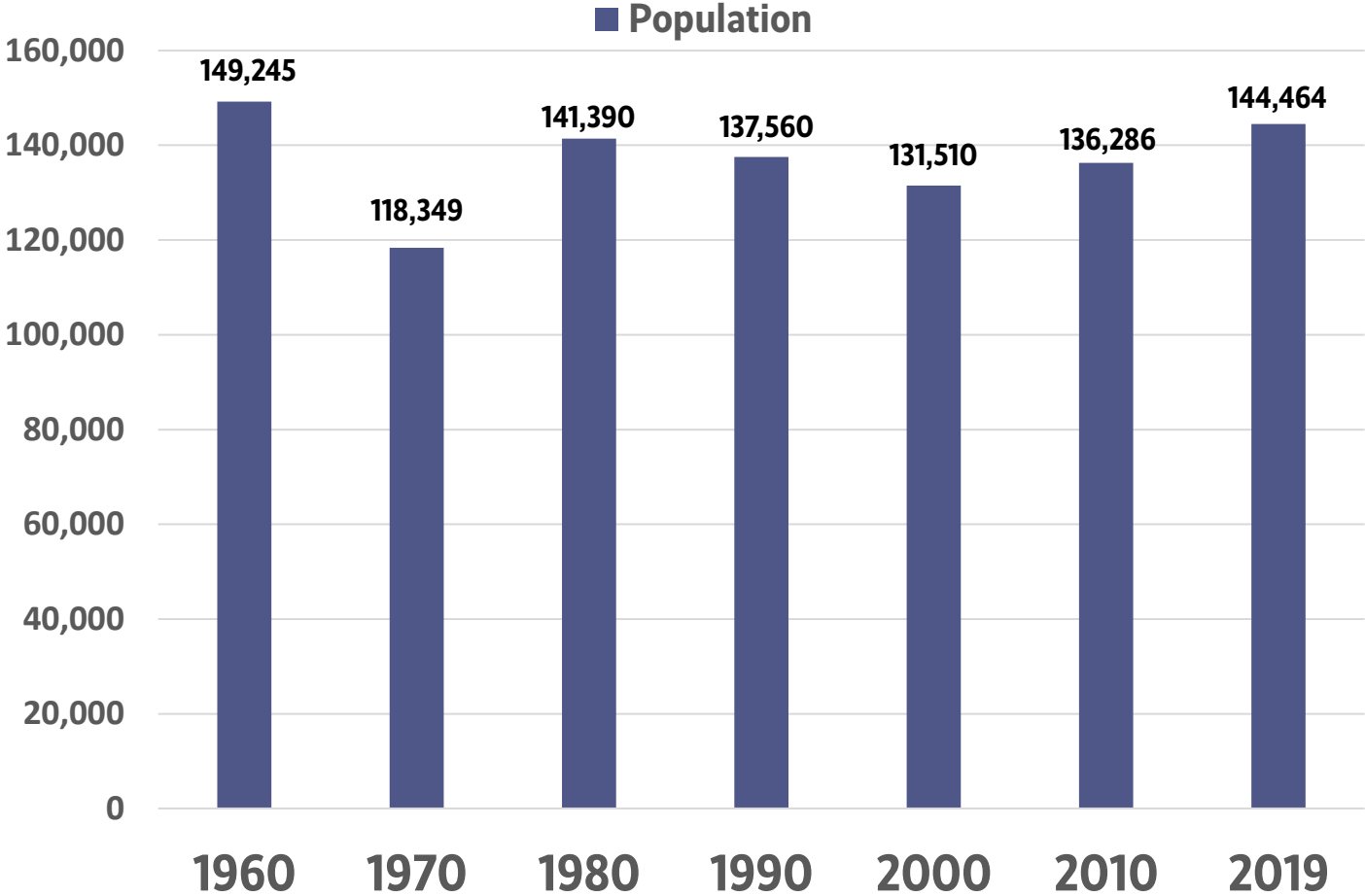
CITY OF SAVANNAH

- **108.76** square miles
- **95.5%** land; **4.5%** water
- **144,464** (2019) total population
- **1,390.28** people per square mile



SAVANNAH'S GROWTH

Population Increase Since 1960

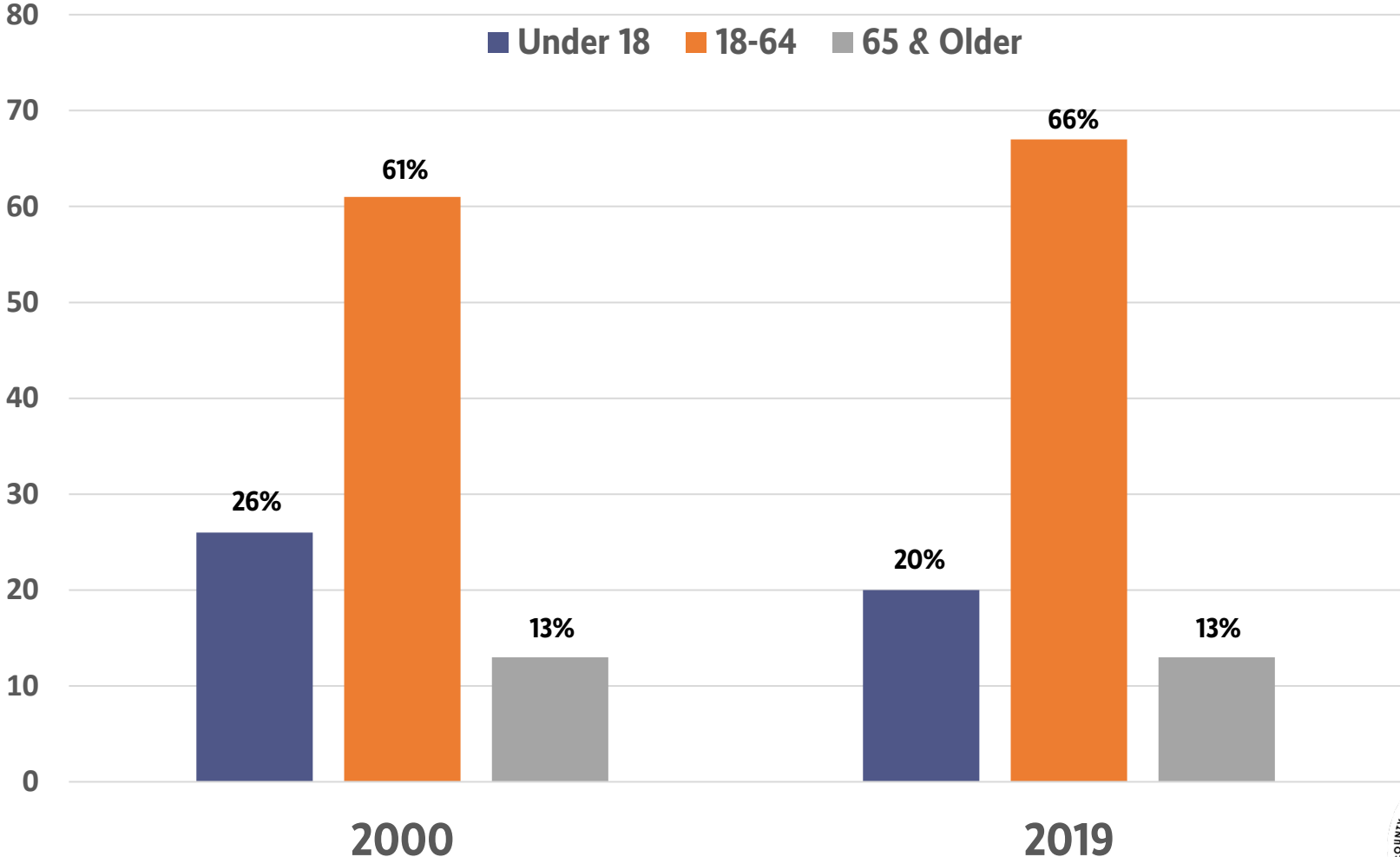


Source: Decennial Census; Census Population Estimates Program



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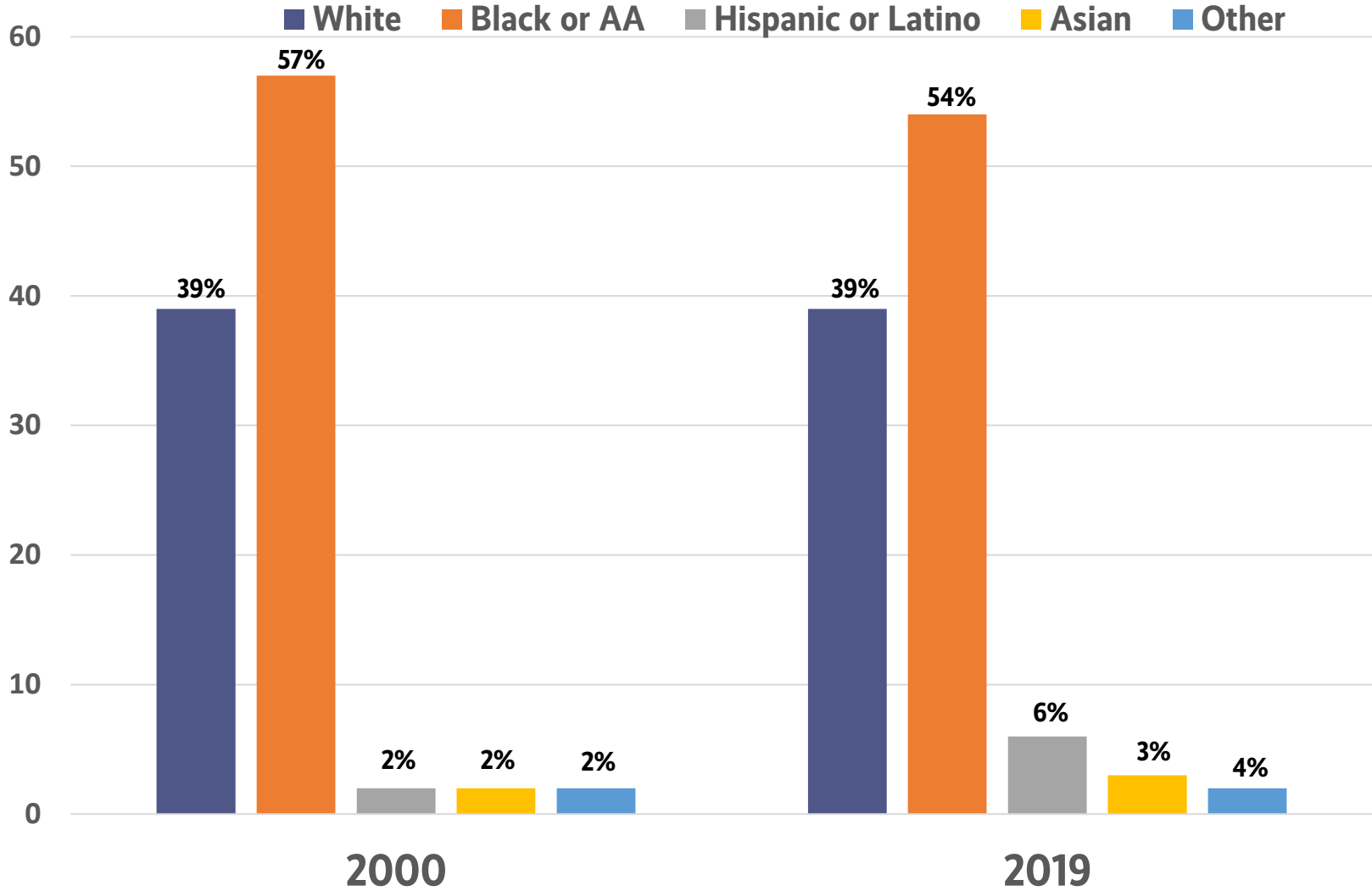
32.6
Median Age



Charts and tables might not sum to 100% due to rounding
Source: Decennial Census; 2019 ACS 5-Year Estimates



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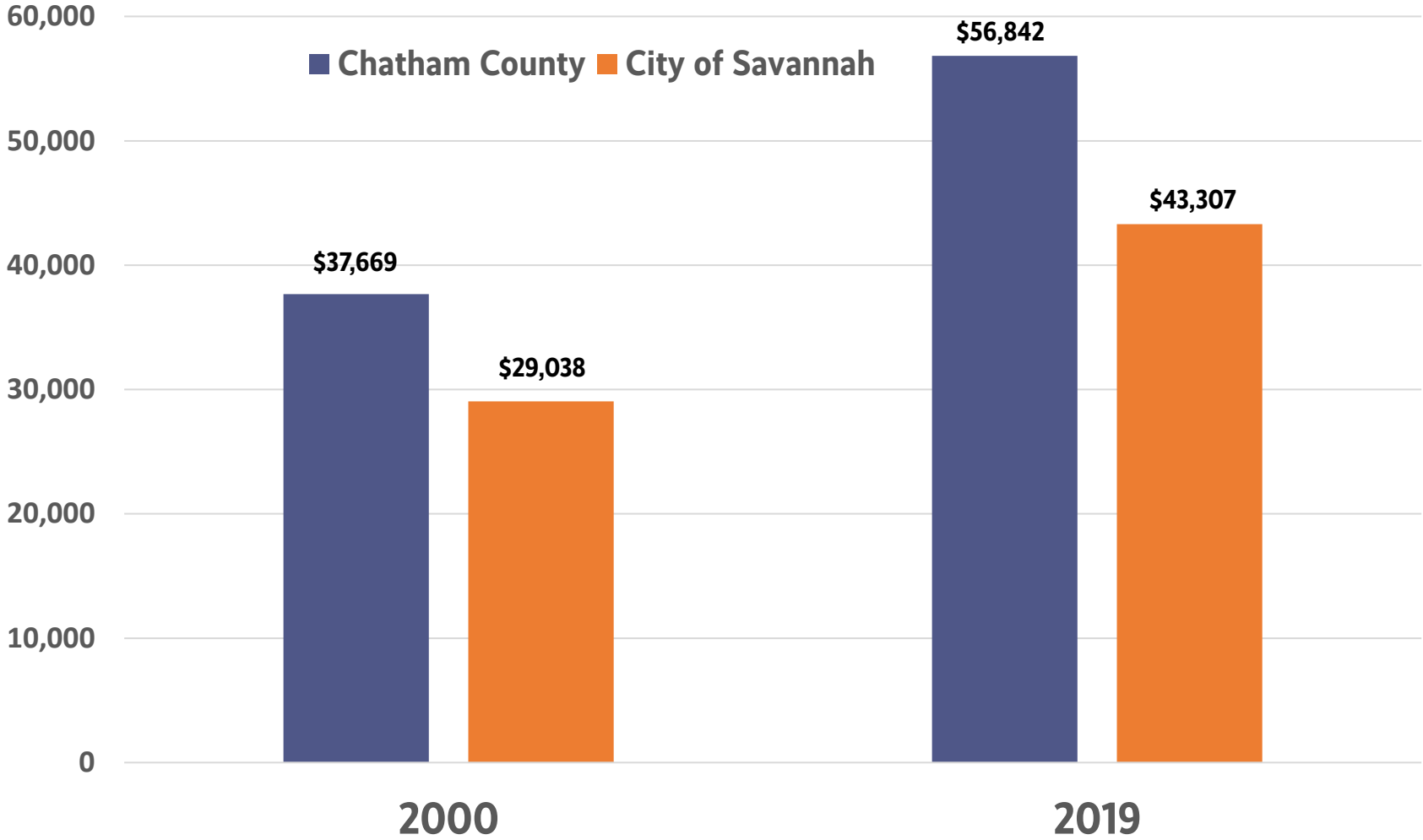
AA=African American

Source: Decennial Census; 2019 ACS 5-Year Estimates



HOUSEHOLD MEDIAN INCOME

Difference in Household Median Income Between City and County

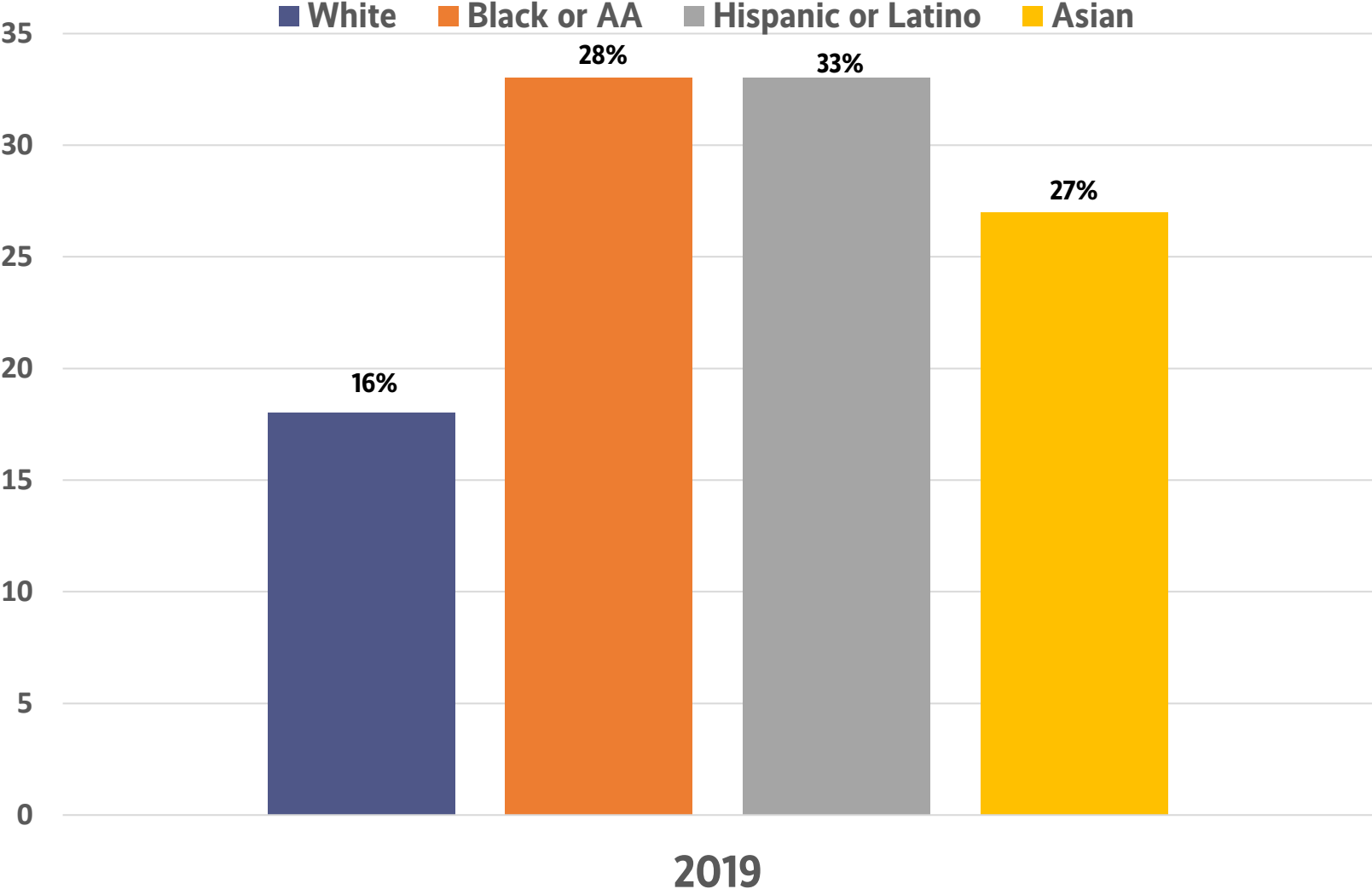


Source: Decennial Census; 2019 ACS 5-Year Estimates



POVERTY BY RACE

23%
Persons in
Poverty

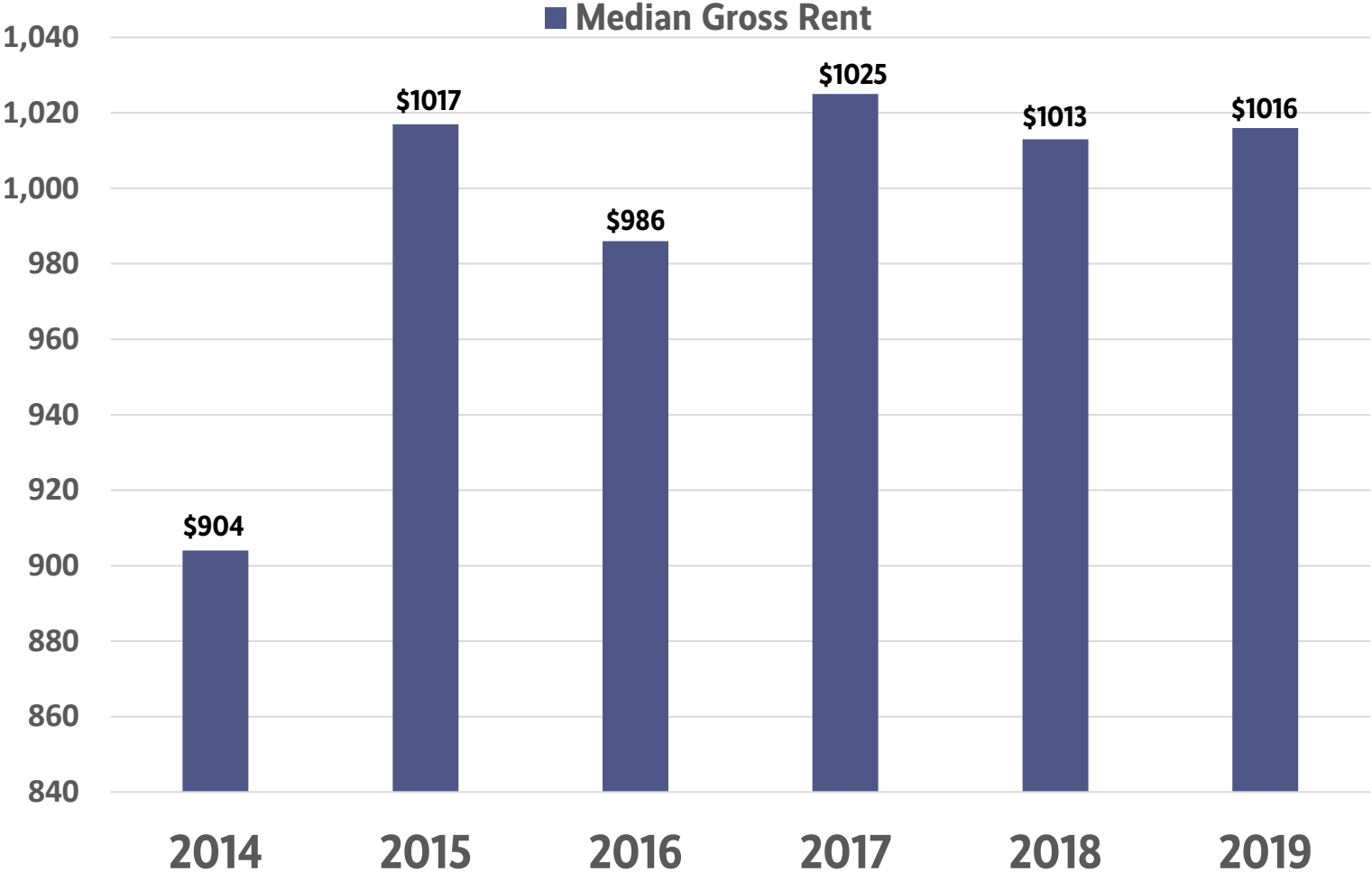


Source: 2019 ACS 5-Year Estimates



MEDIAN GROSS RENT

\$1,016
Median Gross
Rent



Source: 2019 ACS 1-Year Estimates

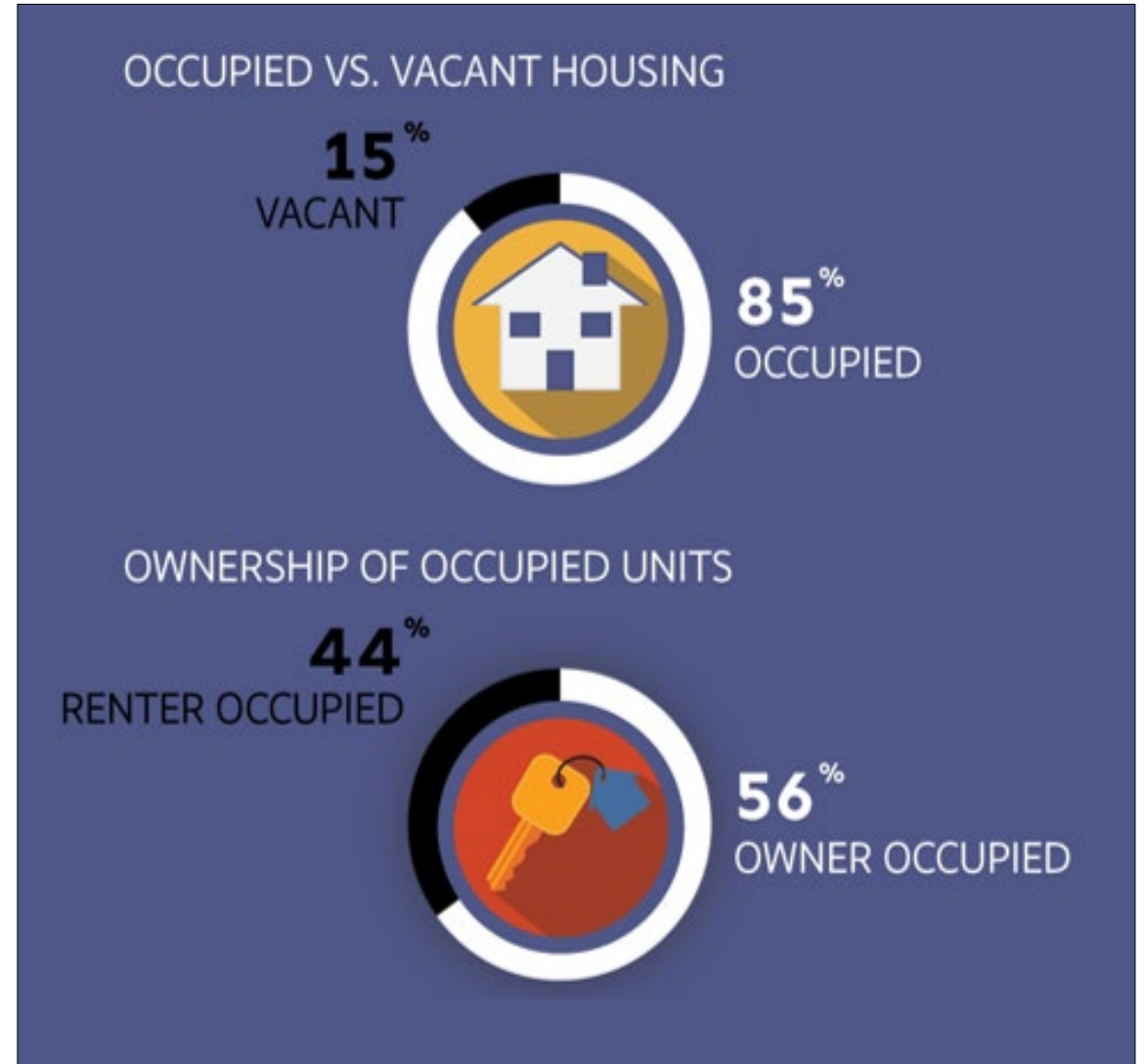


RENTAL HOUSING

With a small 15% vacancy rate (2019), there continues to be a lack of affordable housing units for renters.

More and more of the 44% of renters are having to spend over 30% of their gross income on housing.

56 % of renters are cost burdened in Savannah



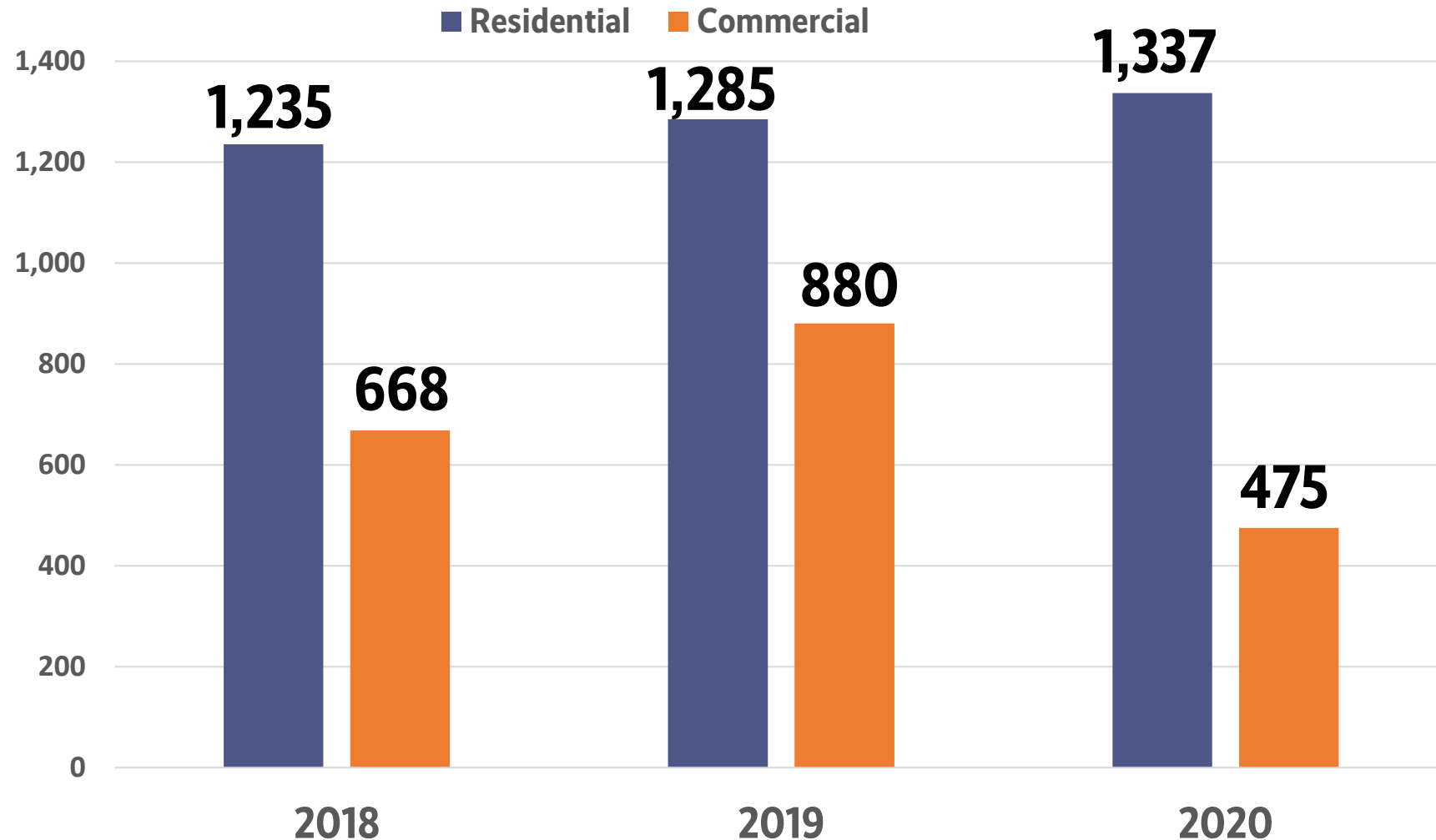
BUILDING PERMIT TRENDS

City of Savannah

The 2020 calendar year from the year 2018 experienced an **8% increase** in the number of **residential permits** issued by this department.

The 2020 calendar year produced a **47% decrease** in the number of **commercial permits** issued from 2019.

Numbers for residential permits include:
Single-family & Multi-family.



PLANNING FOR THE GROWTH

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- Socrates

WHAT IS A COMP PLAN ?

- A Comprehensive Plan presents a **vision for the future**, it established goals and objectives used for zoning, policies, project funding, etc.
- Plan 2040 is written to provide **direction for the next 20-year period** after adoption.
- Goals in PLAN 2040 include...
 - Land-use
 - Transportation
 - Quality of Life (Historic Preservation, Natural Resources, & Broadband)
 - Economic Development
 - Natural Resources
 - Housing



PLAN ELEMENTS

1. Executive Summary
2. Community Profile
- 3. Community Vision and Goals**
- 4. Economic Development**
- 5. Land Use**
- 6. Transportation**
- 7. Housing**
8. Natural Resources
9. Quality of Life
 - a. Community Health
 - b. Education
 - c. Public Safety
 - d. Broadband**
 - e. Historic & Cultural Resources
- 10. Community Strategic Plan & Work Program (STWP)**
- 11. Community Participation Program**
12. All with themes of Resiliency, Climate Change, & COVID-19 impacts discussed throughout
- 13. Service Delivery Strategy (Current)**

■ = Required by the Georgia DCA



PLAN IMPLEMENTATION

Goals and strategies are the framework for the policy directions established in the Plan.

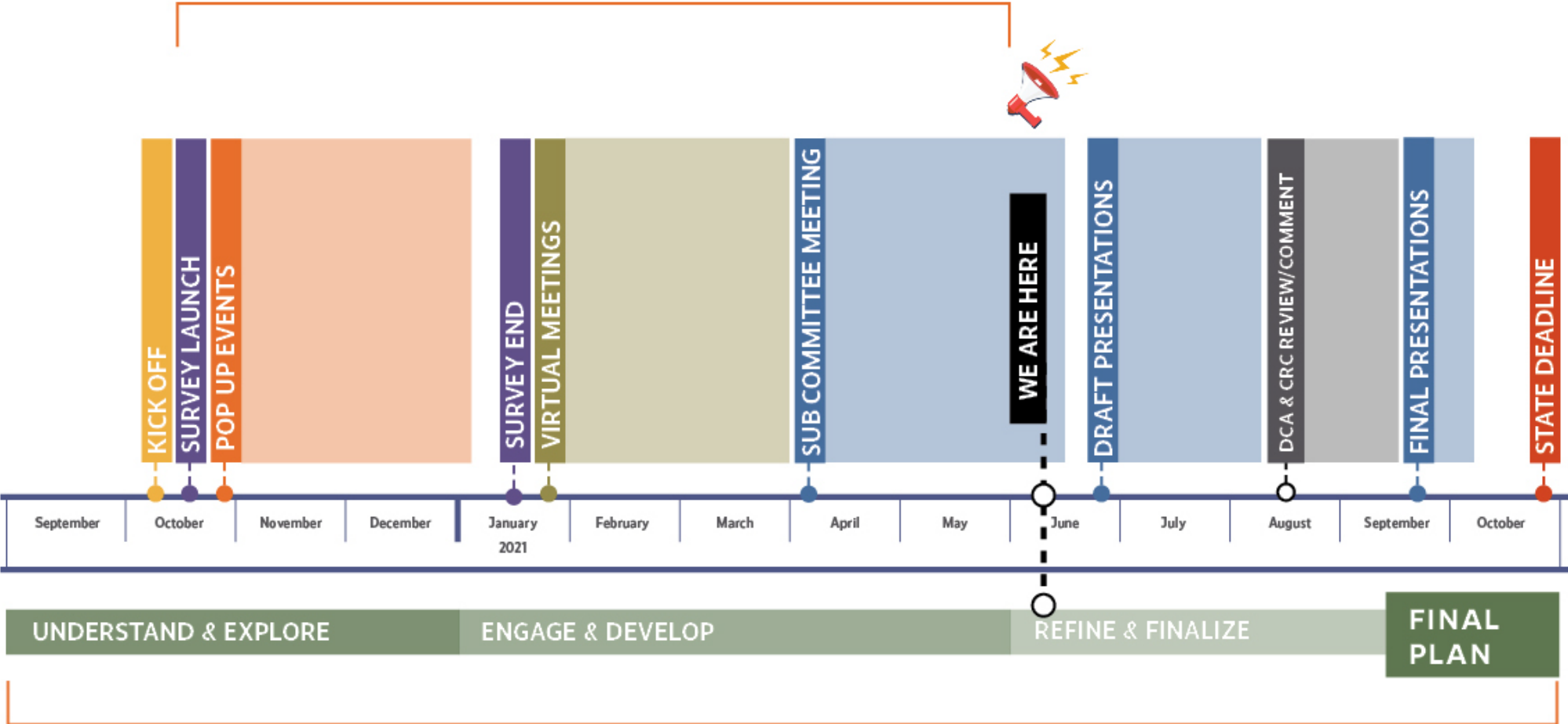
- “**Goals**” are general overarching, broad statements describing the direction that a community wants to go.
- “**Strategies**” are statements with actions that should be taken, identifying how much, who and when the action should occur.



Together, the overarching **goals** are achieved by implementing the **strategies** within the Comprehensive Plan

PROJECT TIMELINE

PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT PHASE



PLANNING PHASES

MEETINGS & POP-UP EVENTS

Community input opportunities allowing input and feedback on goals and strategies will continue through the spring.

- **October 21** – Starland Yard Mini Market
- **October 24** – County Recycling Event
- **November 21** – Forsyth Farmers' Market
- **November 24** – Garden City Senior Center
- **December 9** – Garden City Gym
- **December 12** – Forsyth Farmers' Market
- **December 15** – Garden City City Hall Meeting
- **January 12** – Garden City City Hall Meeting
- **January 22** – Pooler City Hall Meeting
- **January 27** – 10:30 A.M. Countywide Virtual Meeting
- **January 27** – 3:00 P.M. Countywide Virtual Meeting
- **February 22** – 5:30 P.M. Countywide Virtual Meeting
- **February 23** – 10:30 A.M. Countywide Virtual Meeting
- **February 26** – Pooler City Hall Meeting
- **March 30** – 10:30 AM & 3:30 P.M. Countywide Virtual Meeting
- **April 2021** - TOWNtalks
- **May** – **TOWNtalks:** Various Neighborhood Assns. and Churches Countywide



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The MPC

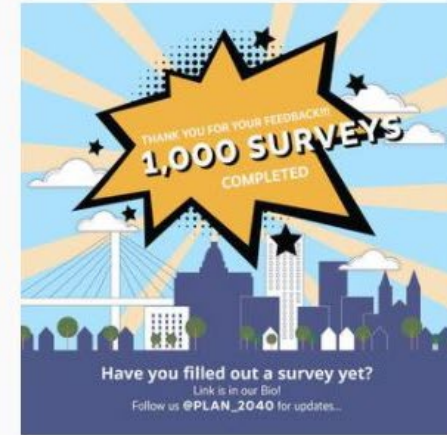
A Community Planning Effort to Provide Transparency & Collaboration.
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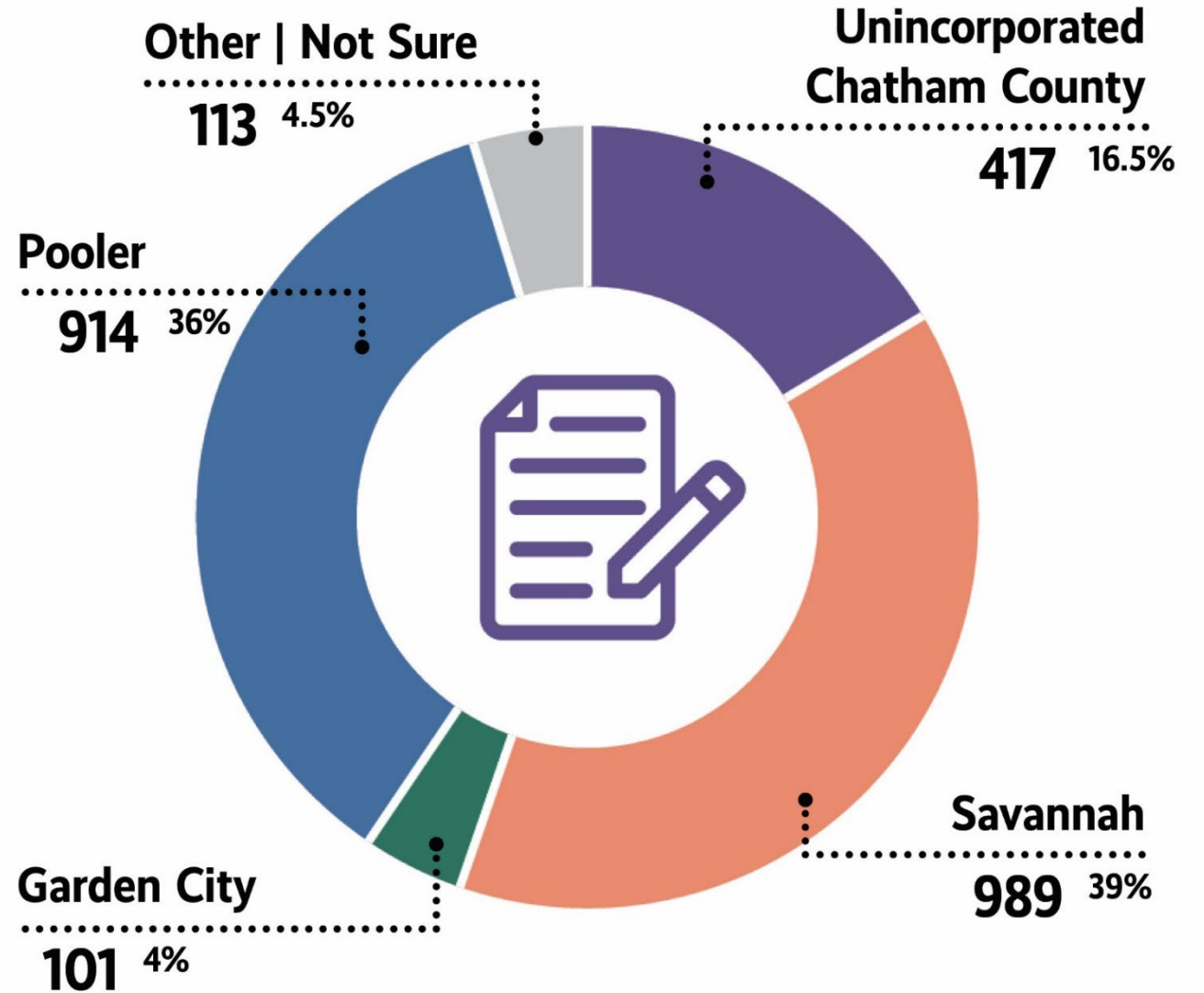
TAGGED



PUBLIC SURVEY

- Survey was live for 80+ days
- Survey topics included:
 - Land Use
 - Transportation/Infrastructure
 - Housing
 - Climate Change & Sea Level Rise
 - Education
 - Public Safety
 - Historic/Cultural Resources

Total Survey Responses: **2,534**



NEXT STEPS

- **June 29th:** Draft Chapters will be presented to MPC for City Council recommendation
- **July 8th :** DRAFT Plan will be routed to Savannah City Council as a public hearing
- **July 16th:** DRAFT Plan will be routed to County Commission as a public hearing
- **July 19th :** DRAFT Plan will be routed to Garden City City Council as a public hearing
- **July 19th :** DRAFT Plan will be routed to Pooler City Council as a public hearing
- **Weeks of July 12th and July 19th:** Required DRAFT Chapters will be routed to the Coastal Regional Commission (CRC) who will disseminate to the Department of Community Affairs (DCA) for a **40-day review period**
- **During this 40-day period,** City Council & County Commission may still provide input
- MPC will receive comments from CRC and DCA for review and possible inclusion
- **September:** Amended Plan will be routed to City Councils and County Commission for approval
- **October 31, 2021:** FINAL Approved plan must be adopted by all 3 Cities and County



COMMUNITY FEEDBACK



The MPC Presents...

TOWN Talks

Virtual Meetings

Express Your Vision for Your Neighborhood!

As part of the Plan 2040 Comprehensive Plan Update we are engaging neighborhoods and the faith based community.

Are you a neighborhood or faith based leader?
Are you interested in having Plan 2040 speak at your meeting?

If so...

1. Please send an email to plan2040@thempc.org
2. Let us know the date and time of your meeting in April.
3. If you would like to call and set-up a virtual meeting over the phone, you can reach us at (912) 651.1480



After the MPC reviews your request, you will receive a confirmation email.

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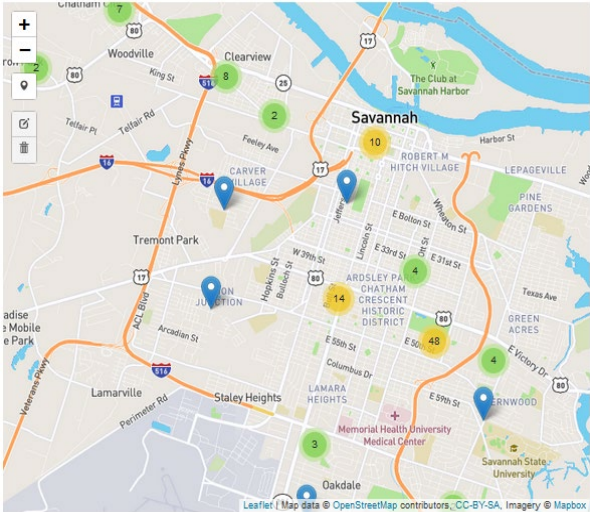
STAY INVOLVED!

Check out our website to view & make comments on our draft chapters.

To comment, click the "Provide Comments" link under the specific chapter you want to comment on. It's that easy!!

Plan 2040 Comment Map

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