

POPULATION AND DEMOGRAPHIC TRENDS IN UTAH

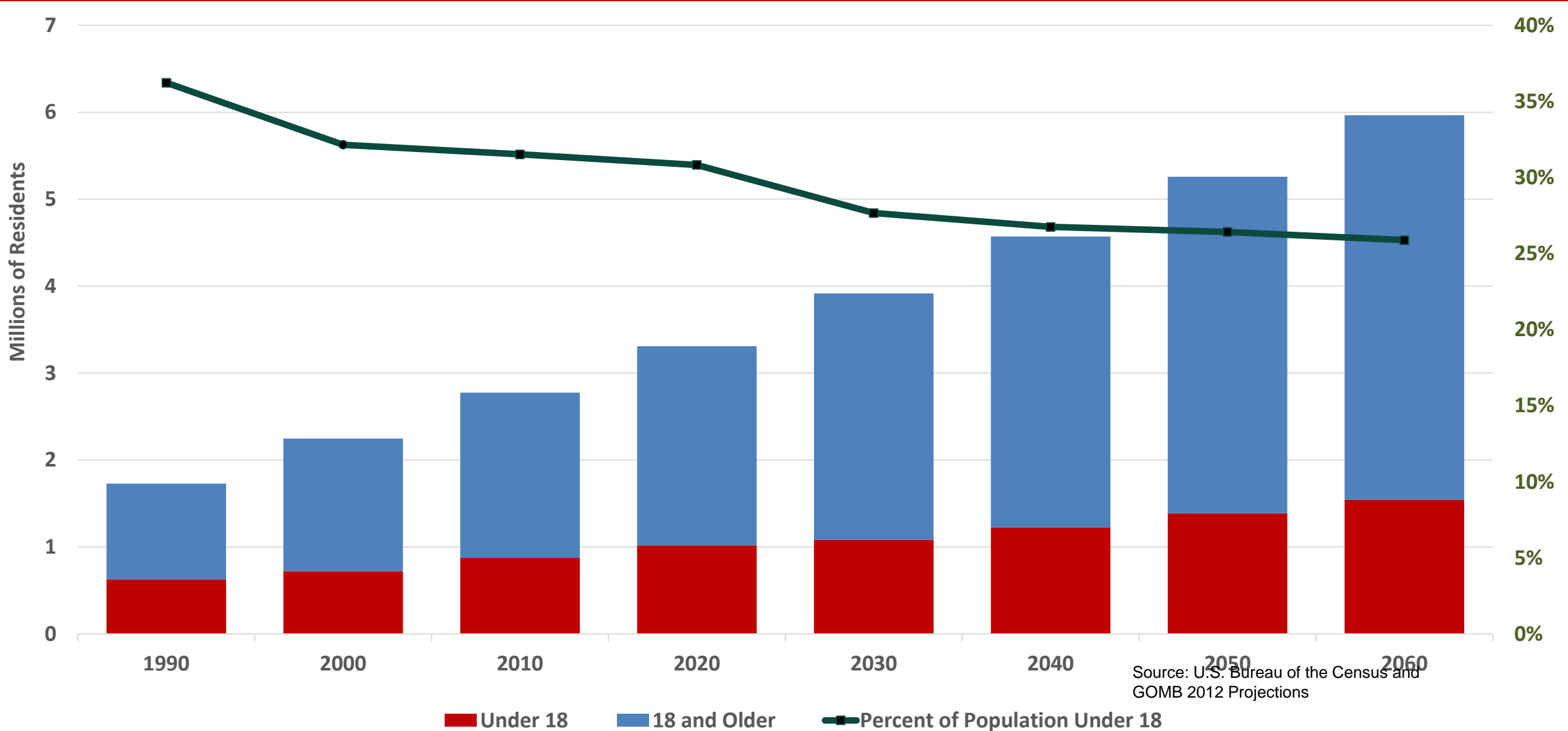
Growing Fast, Concentrating More,
Diversifying Rapidly, Aging Too

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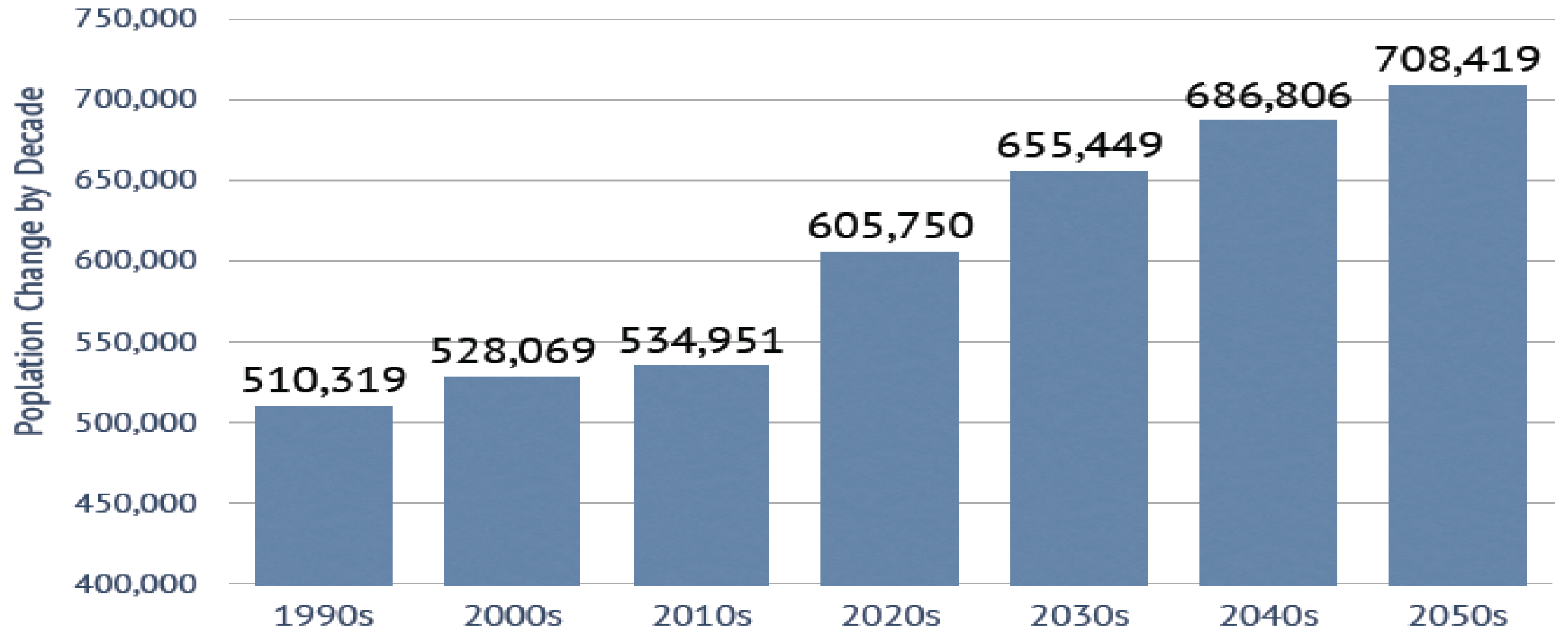
Rapid Population Growth

- ▶ July 1, 2015, estimated population - 2,998,590
- ▶ Utah is the youngest state in the nation, and the third fastest growing state.
- ▶ By 2050, Utah is expected to educate 985,000 school-aged children, an increase of 64% from today.

Utah Population by Age: 1990 – 2060

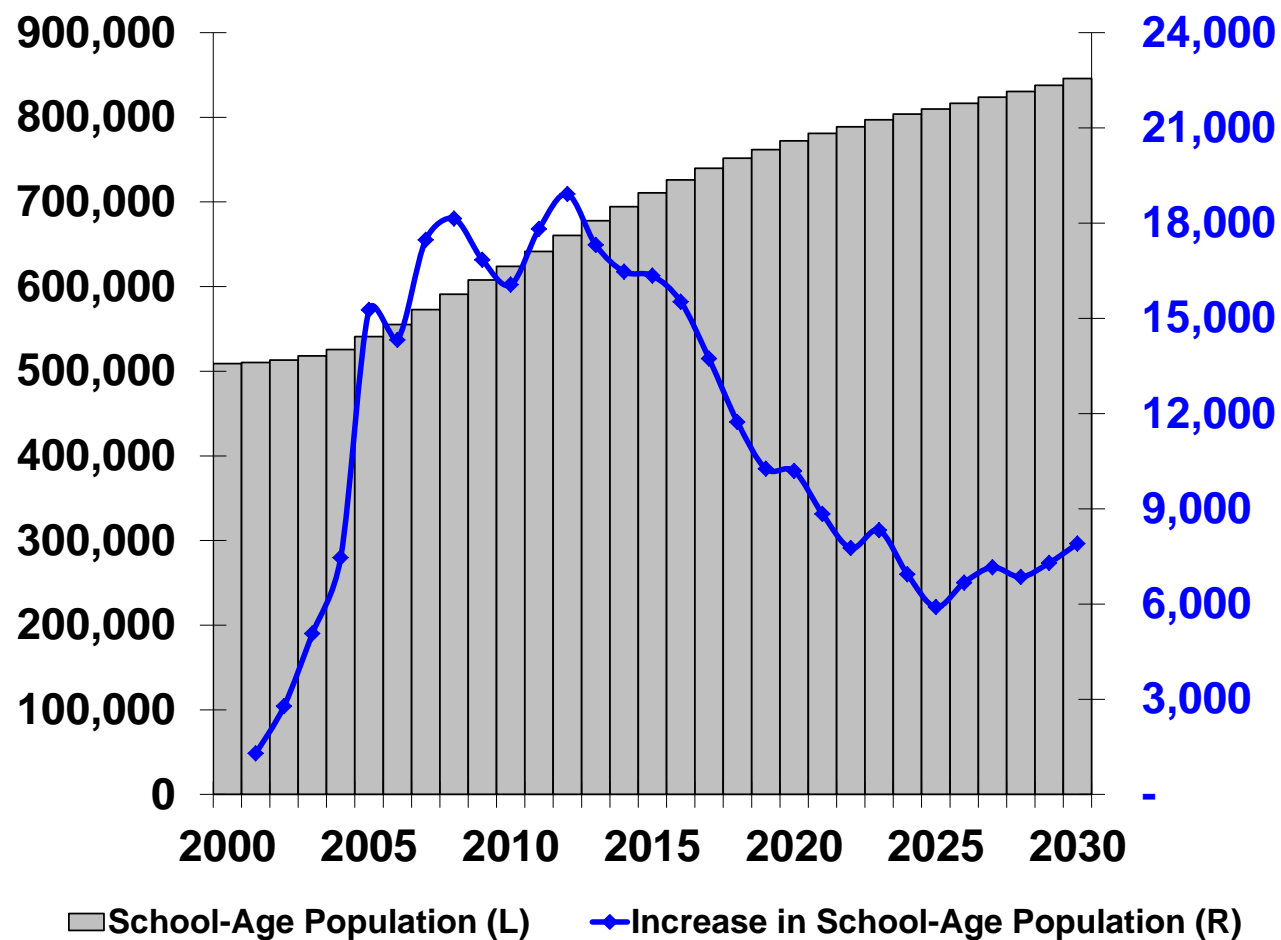


Utah Population Change by Decade



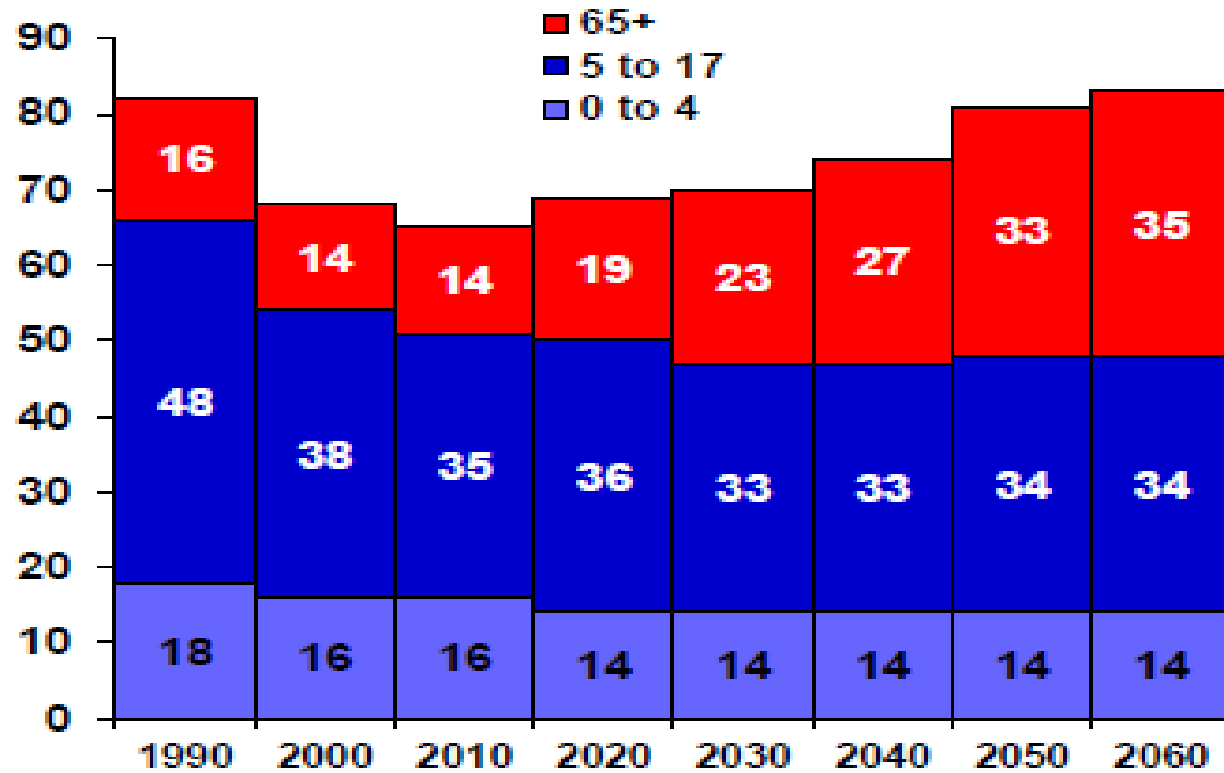
Source: U.S. Bureau of the Census, and GOMB 2012 Projections

Growth in School-Age Population: 2000 to 2030

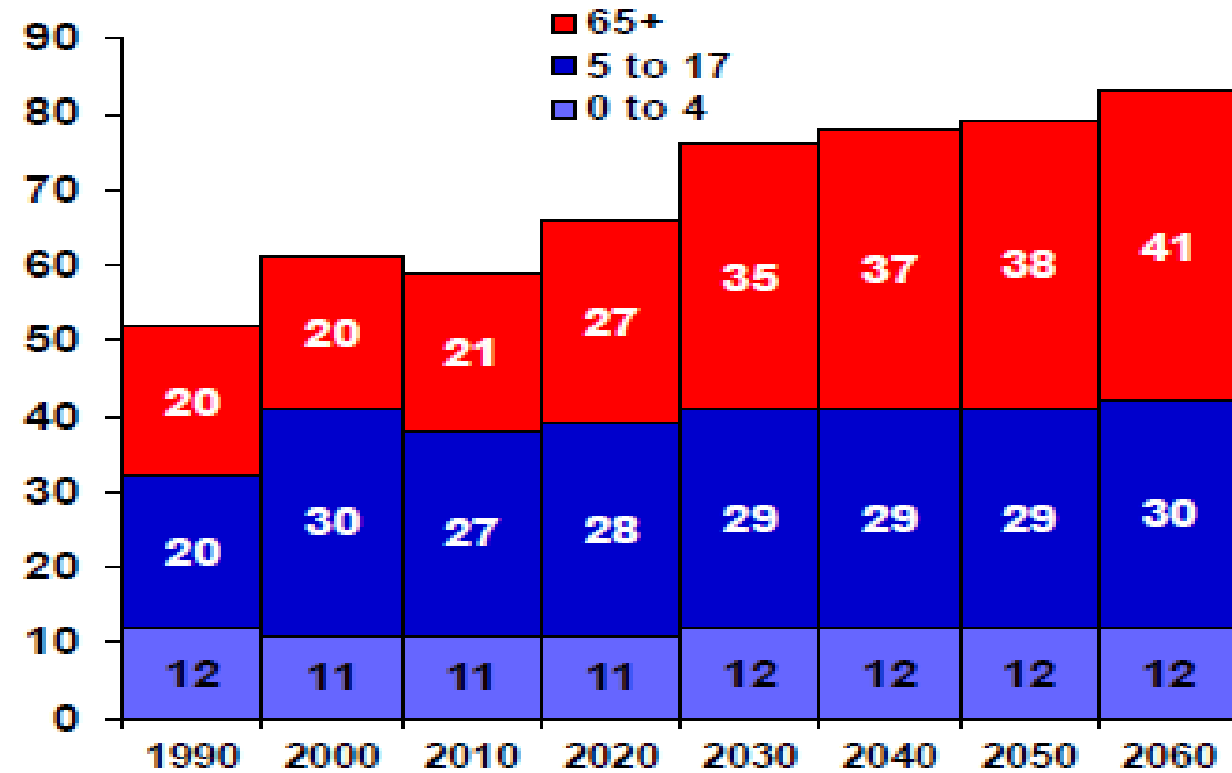


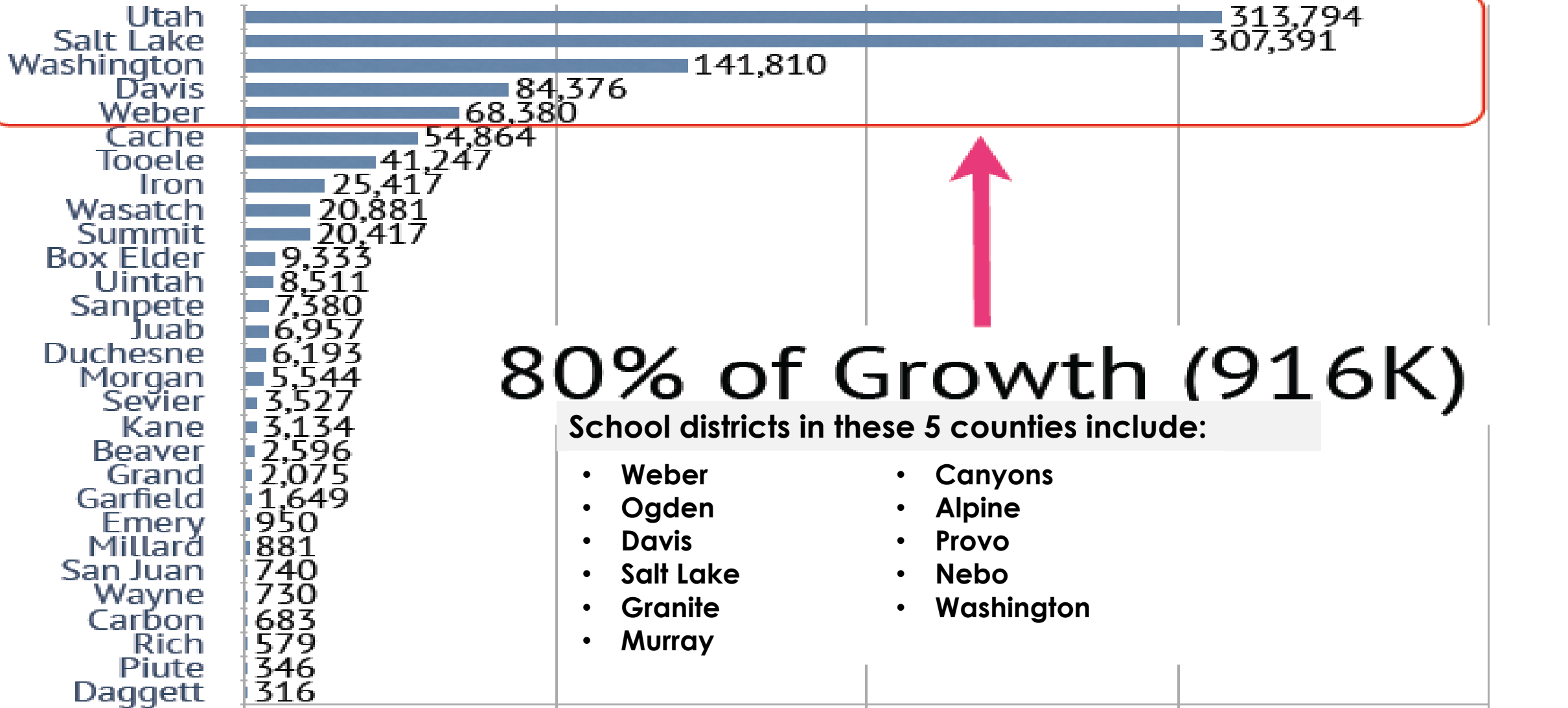
Dependency Ratios (Number of People in Dependent Age Groups for Every 100 Working-Age Adults): 1990 to 2060

Utah



United States





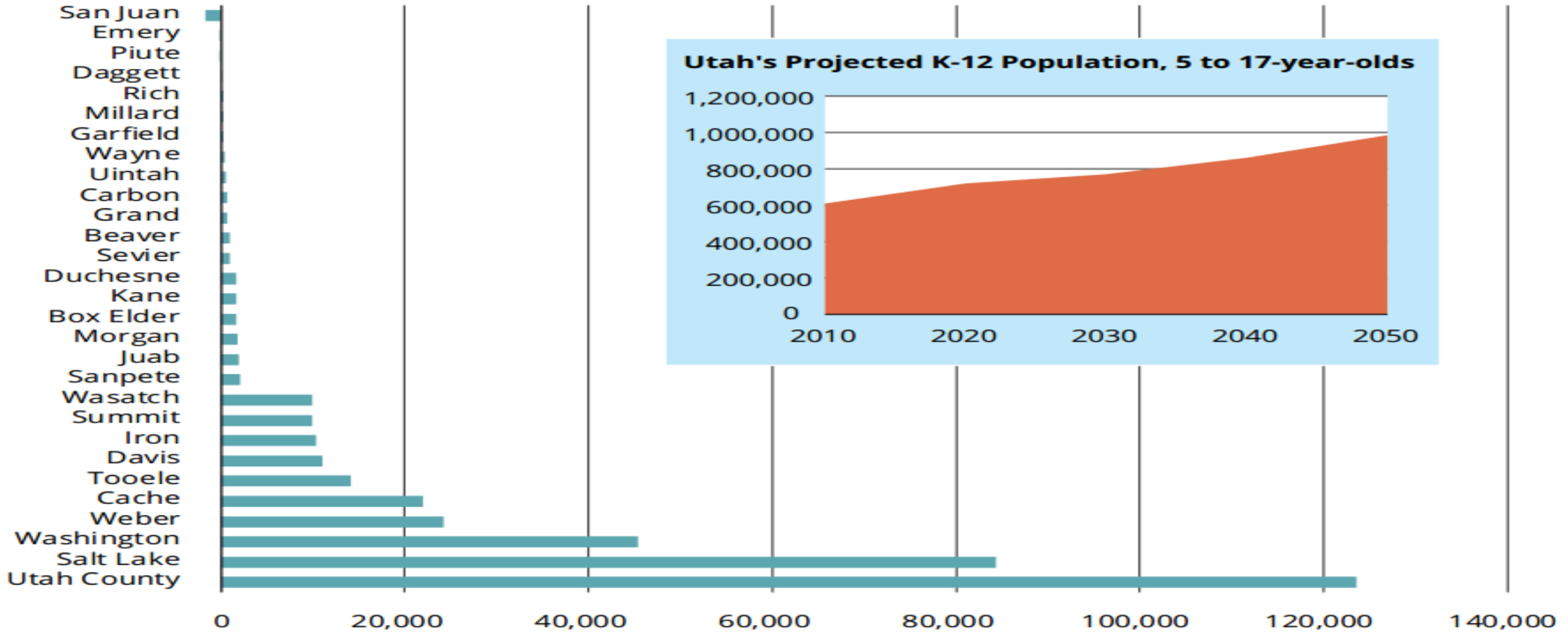
80% of Growth (916K)

School districts in these 5 counties include:

- Weber
- Ogden
- Davis
- Salt Lake
- Granite
- Murray
- Canyons
- Alpine
- Provo
- Nebo
- Washington

2010-2030 Population Change

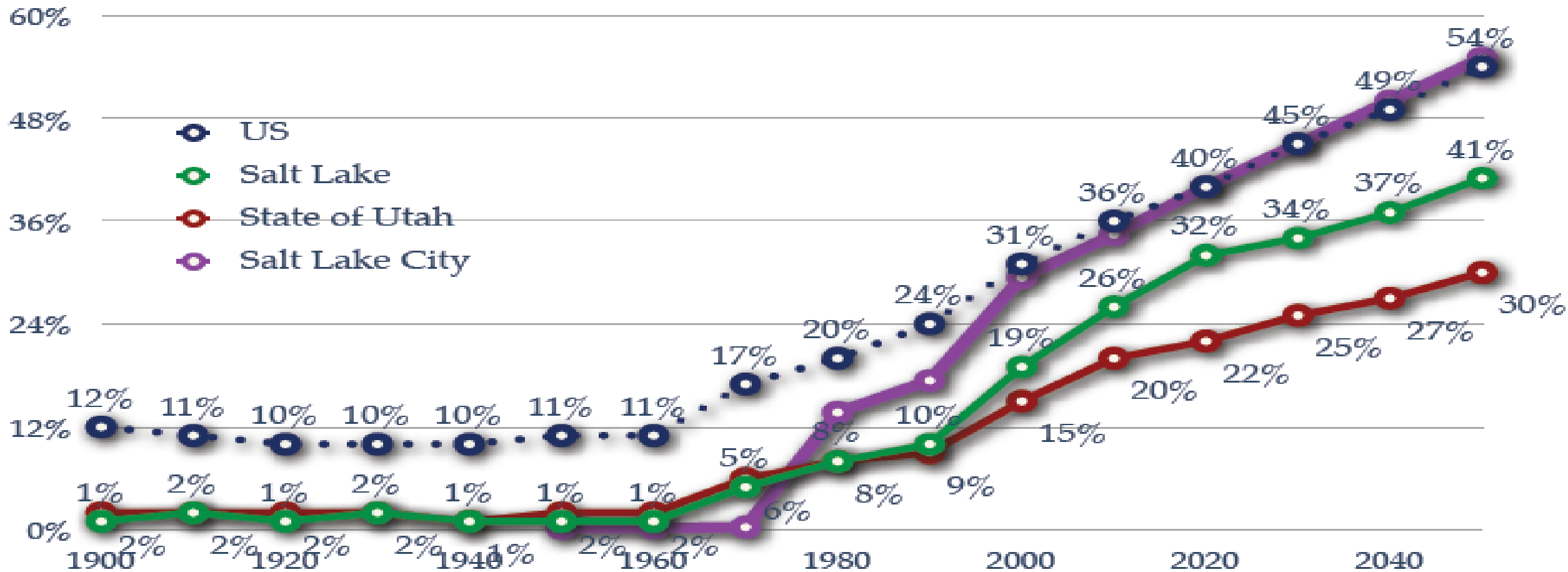
Utah Counties Projected K-12 Population Change 2010-2050



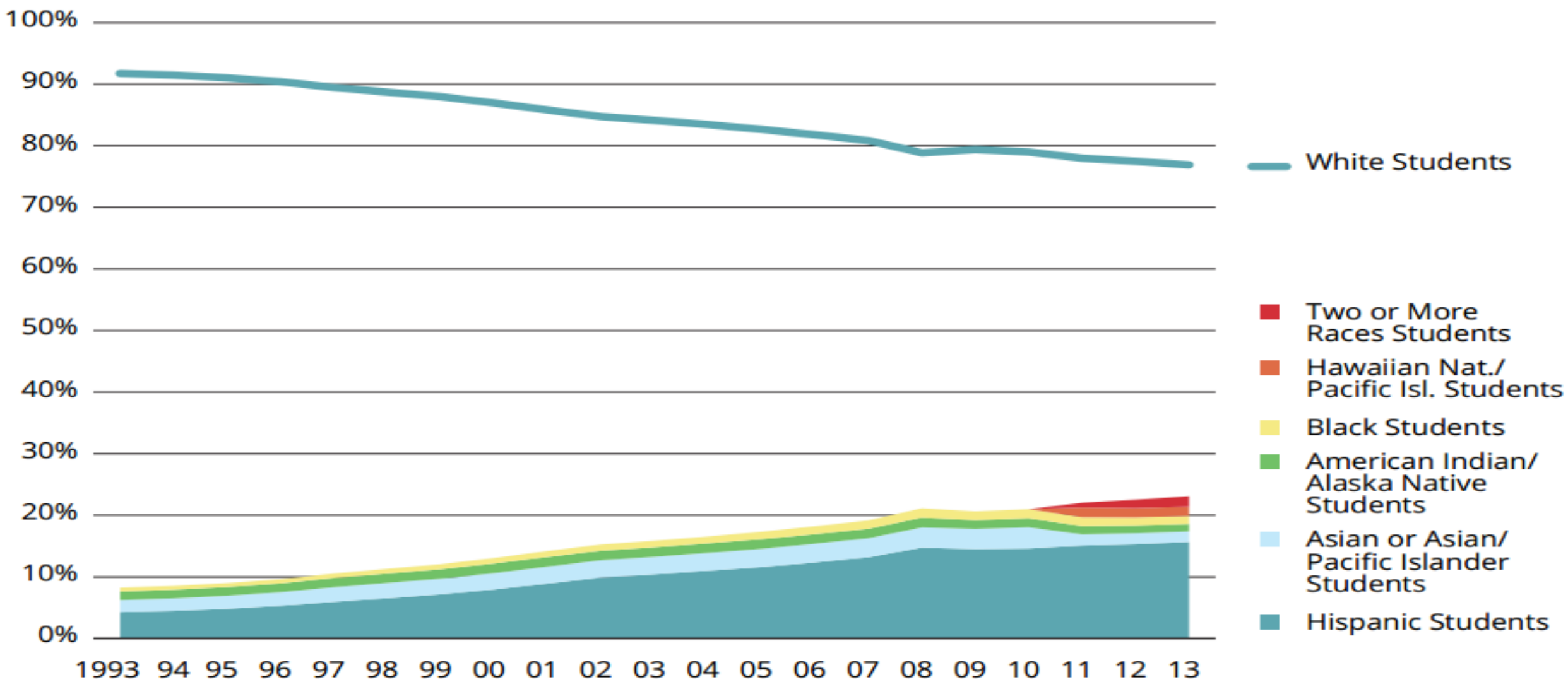
Note: The counties listed above from Emery County to Grand County are difficult to see because of their small values (between -240 and 637).

Source: The Utah Foundation, based on census and GOMB Data

Minority Share of the Population: U.S., Utah, & Salt Lake City & County



Minority Share of K-12 Students



Source: The Utah Foundation based on the National Center for Education Statistics data

In Summary

- ▶ Utah is growing rapidly – we expect to nearly double the population by 2060.
 - ▶ The number of school-age children in Utah is increasing, but more slowly than it has historically.
- ▶ Most of Utah's growth is occurring in five urban counties:
 - ▶ Salt Lake
 - ▶ Utah
 - ▶ Davis
 - ▶ Weber
 - ▶ Washington
- ▶ Utah's minority population has increased and is projected to continue to increase, particularly in Salt Lake City.

Questions?

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