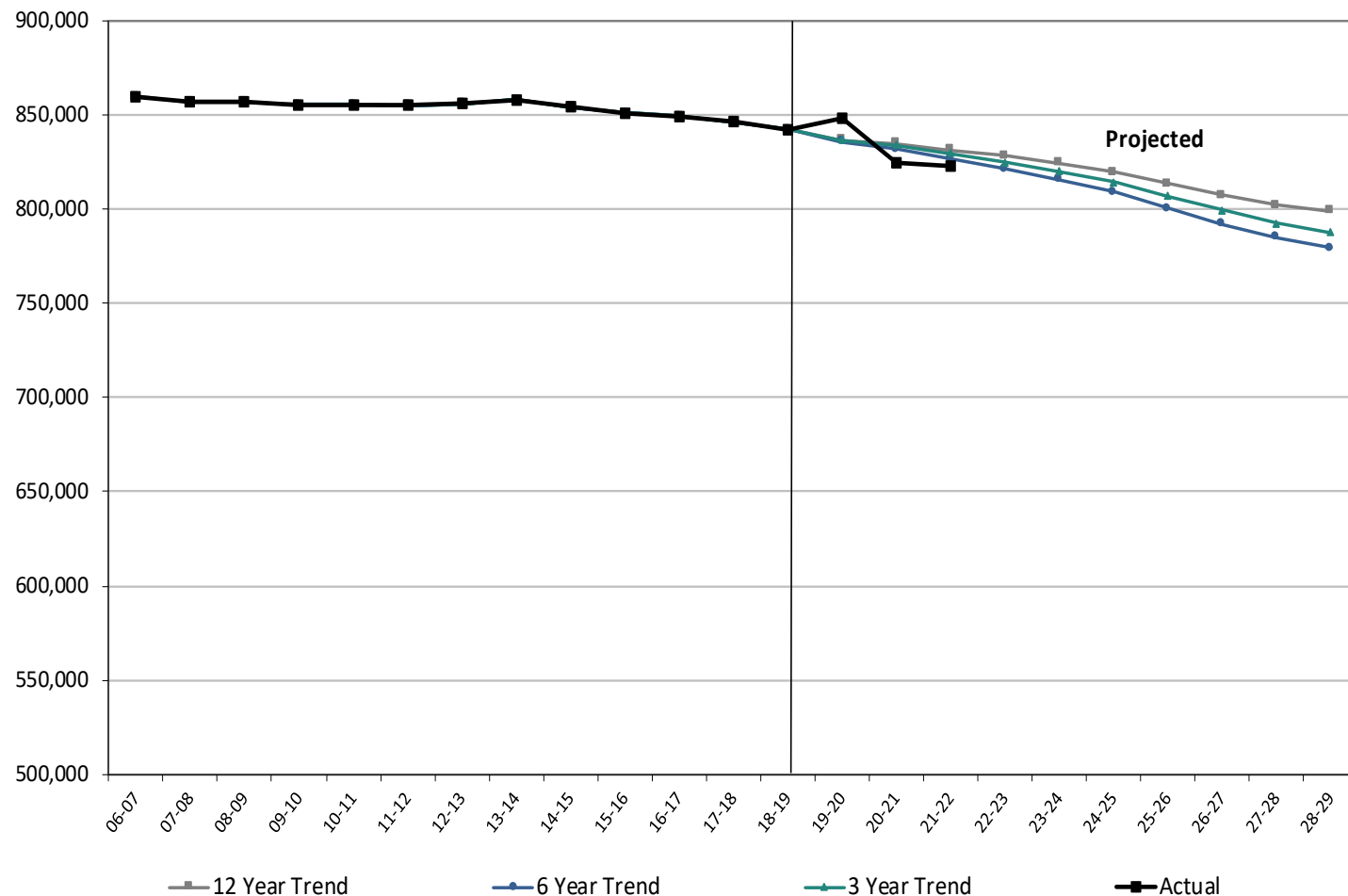


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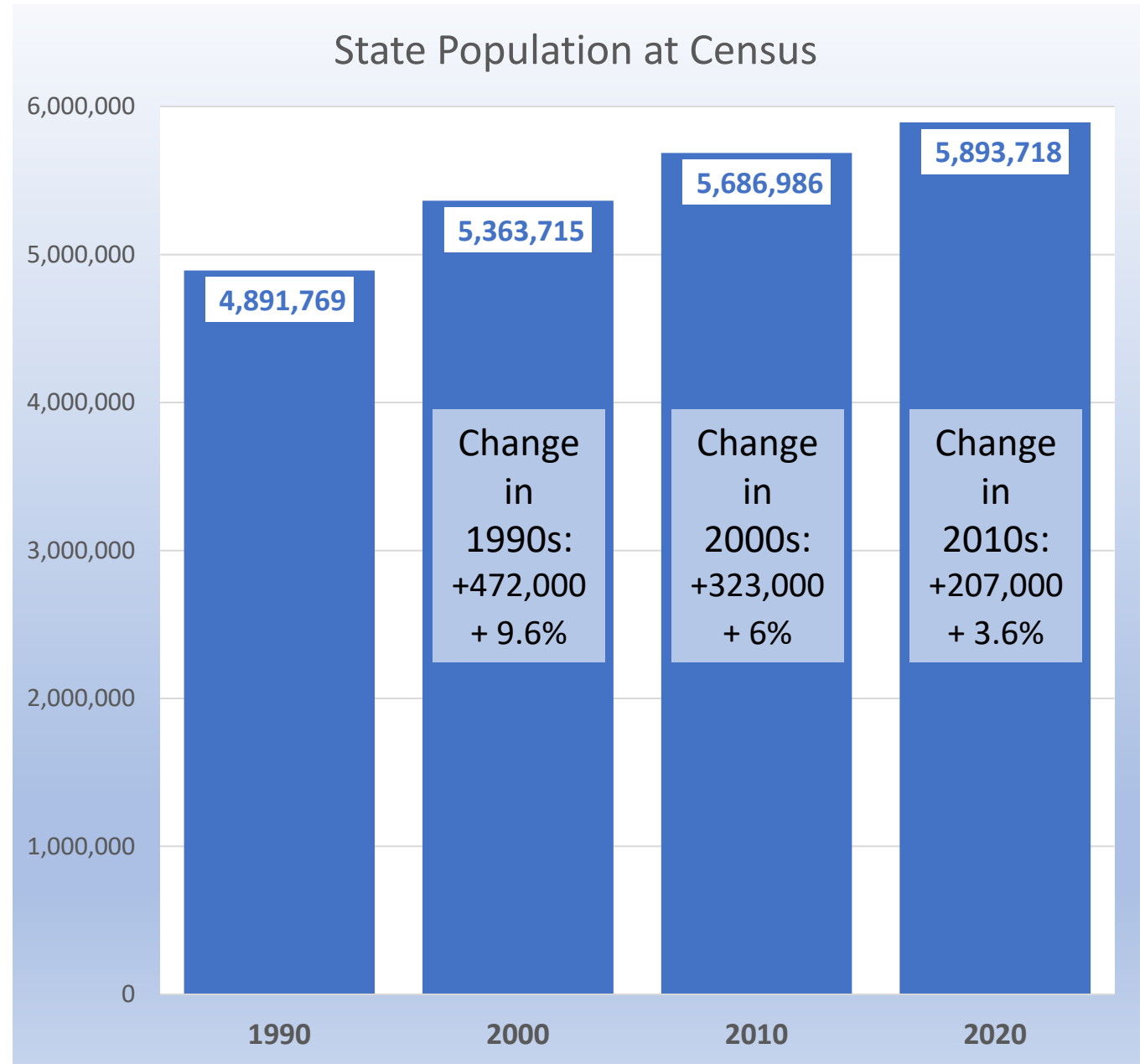
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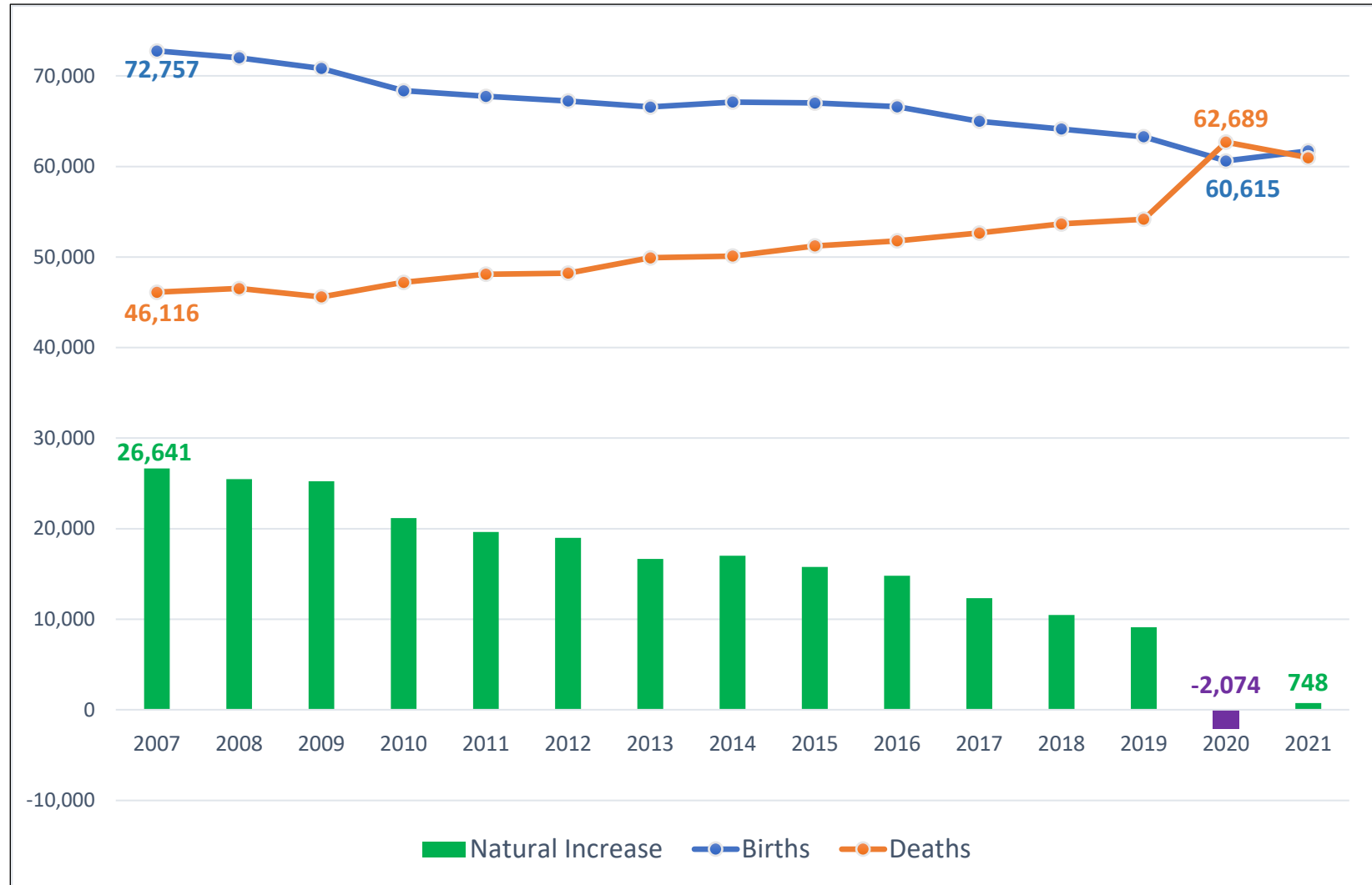
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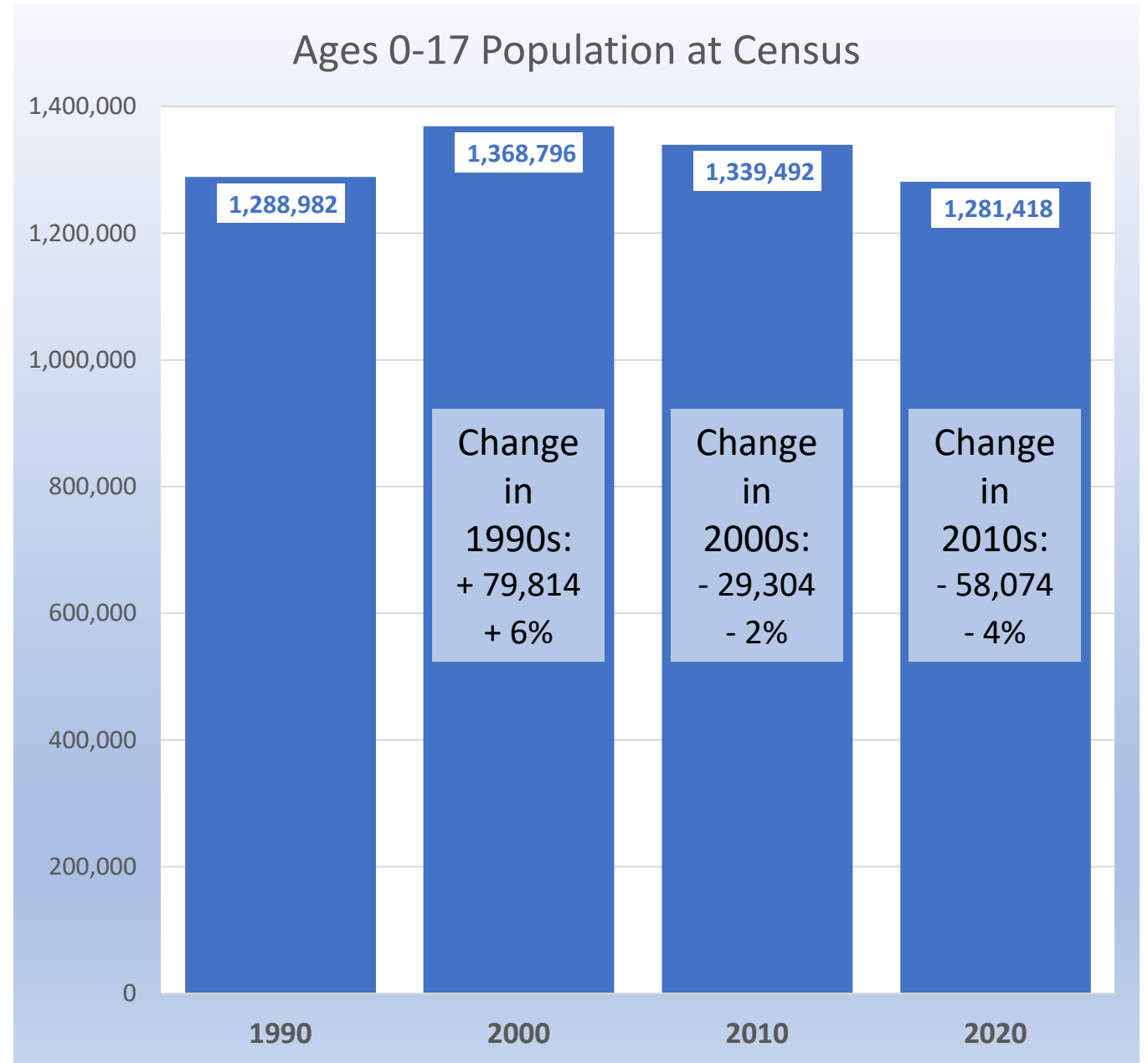
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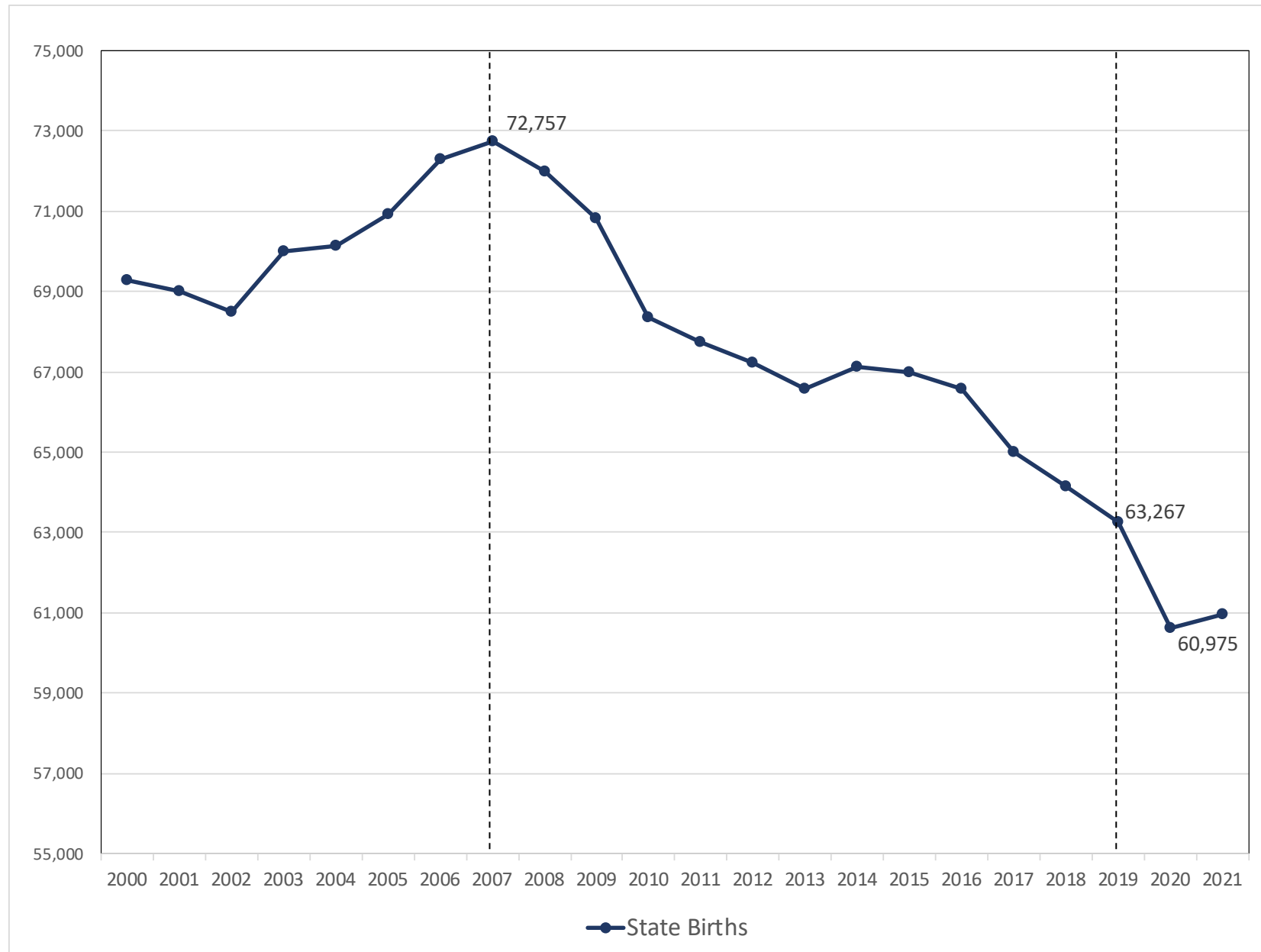
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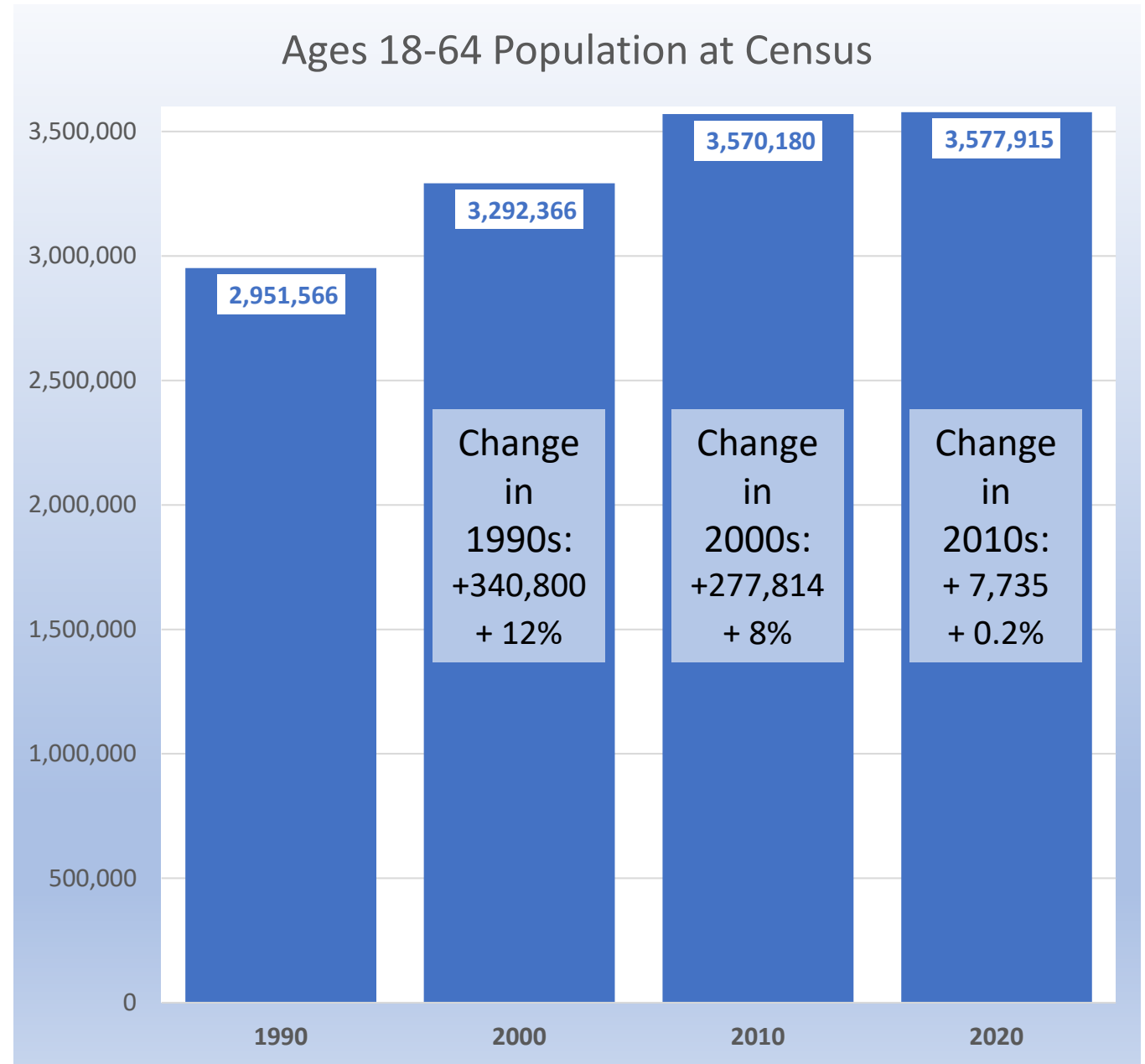
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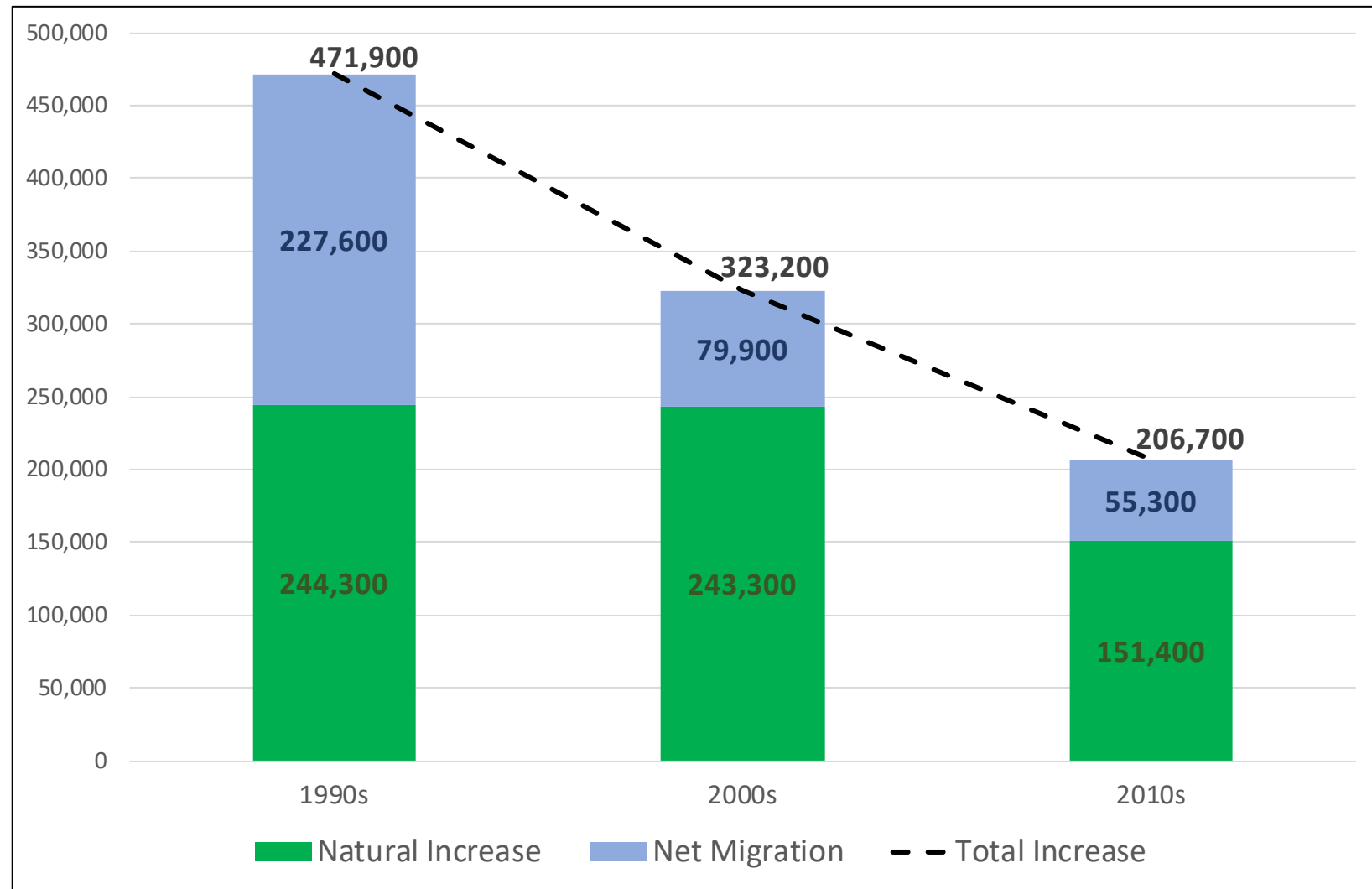
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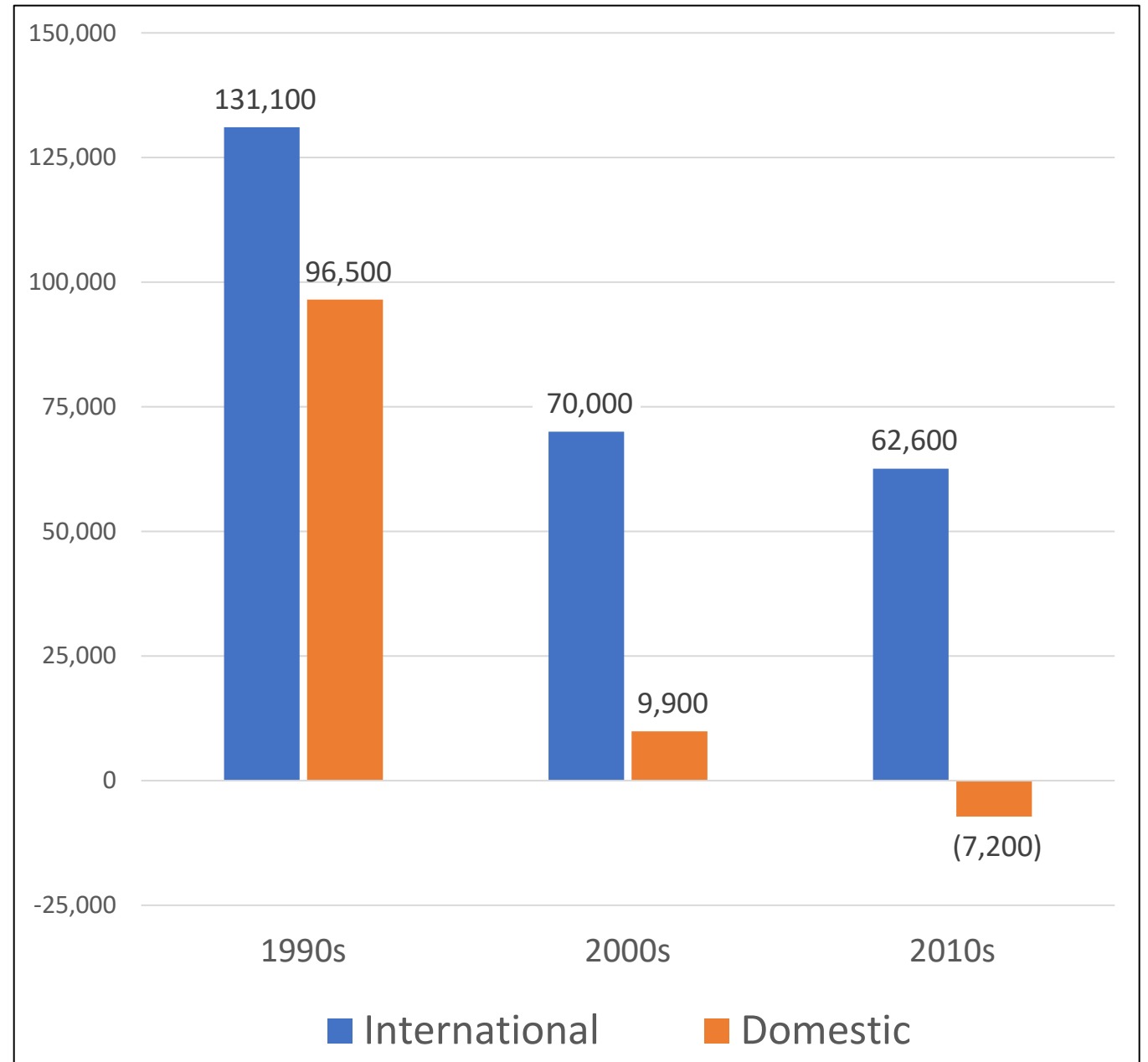
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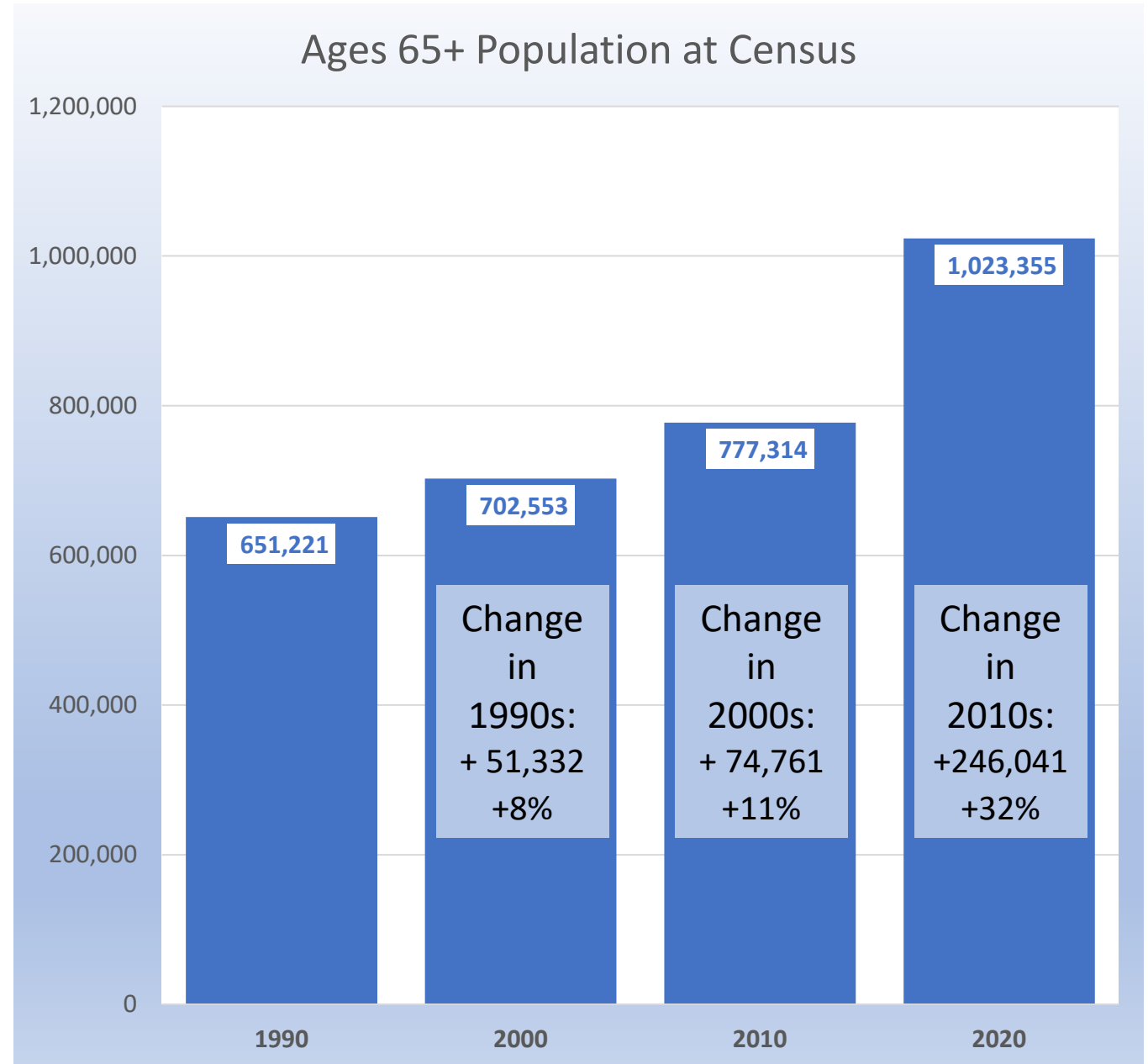


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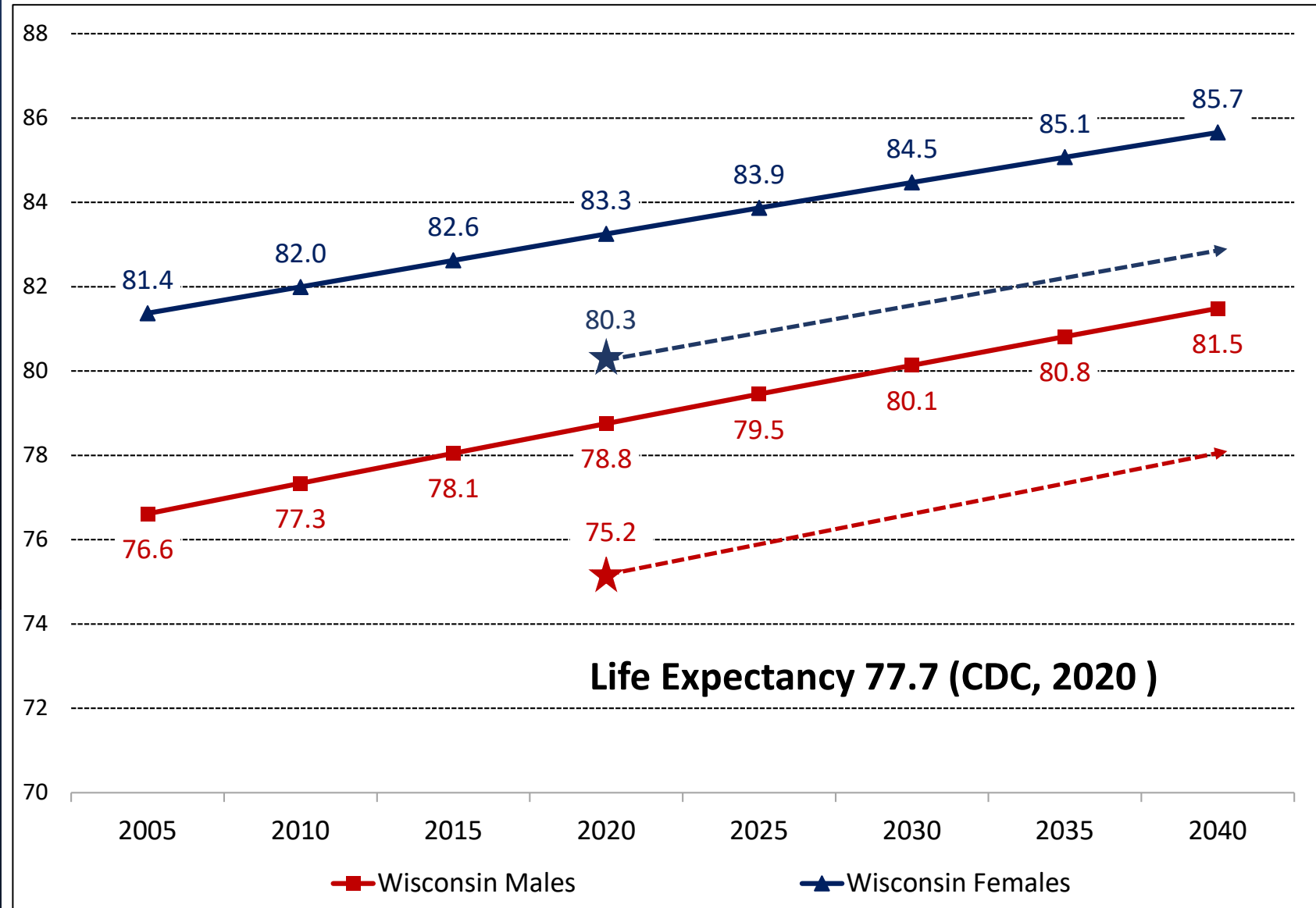


Aging Population 1990-2020

“More than 1 in 6
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as U.S. continues graying”
Washington Post, 2-14-23



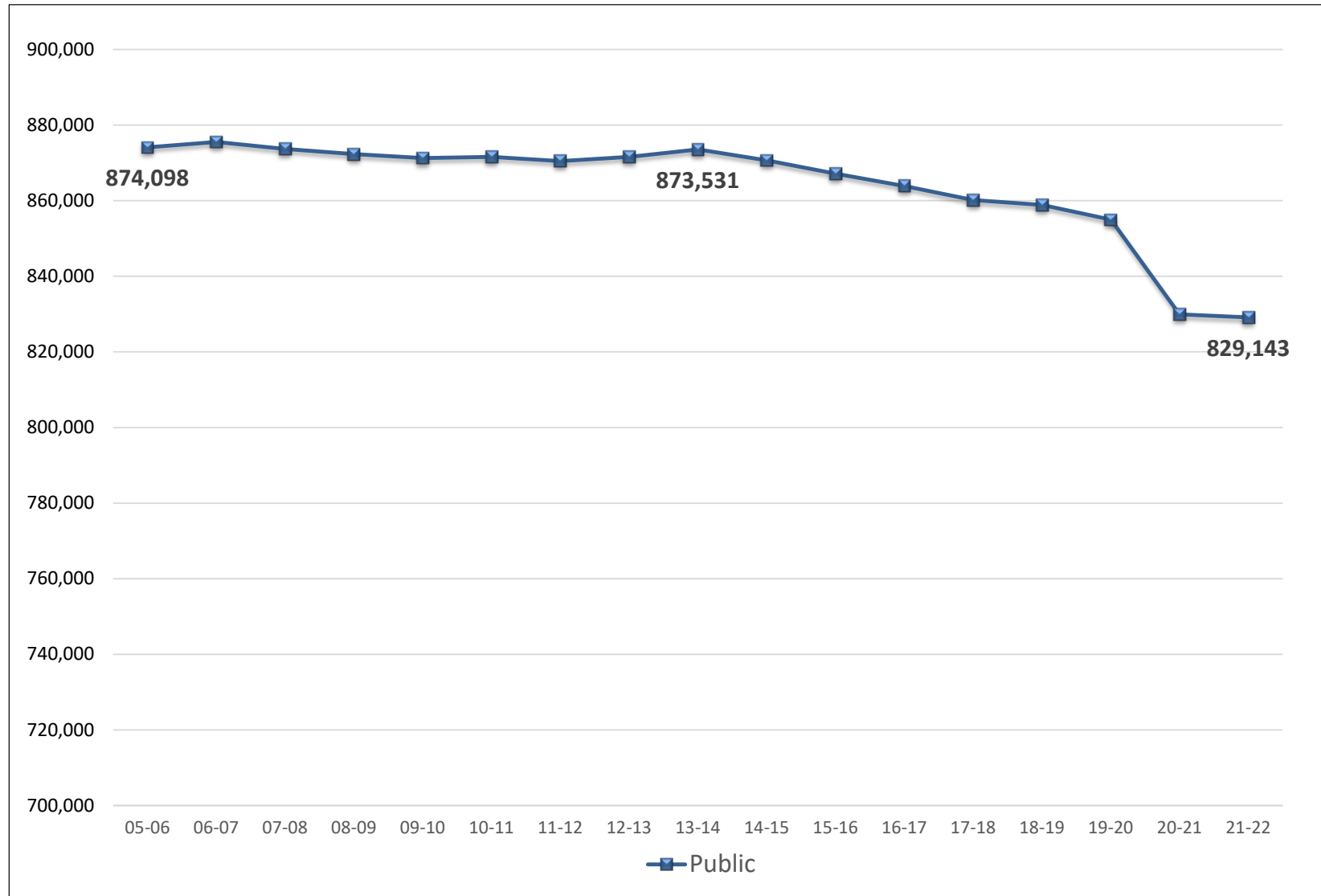
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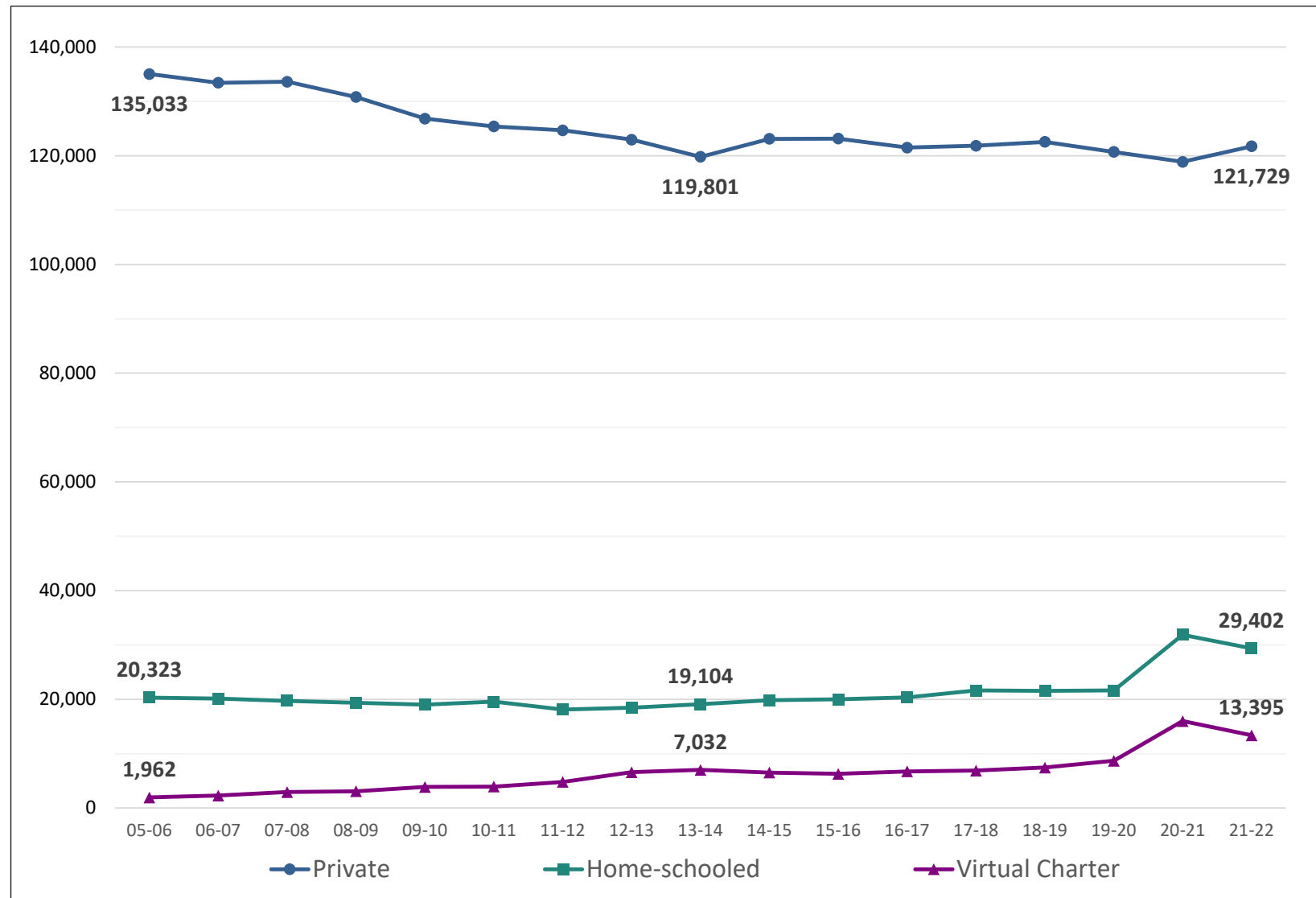


Public School Enrollment 2005-2021



Source: DPI, <https://wisedash.dpi.wi.gov>

Other School Enrollment 2005-2021



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Effects of the Pandemic

Student Enrollment Change from 2019/20 to 2021/22

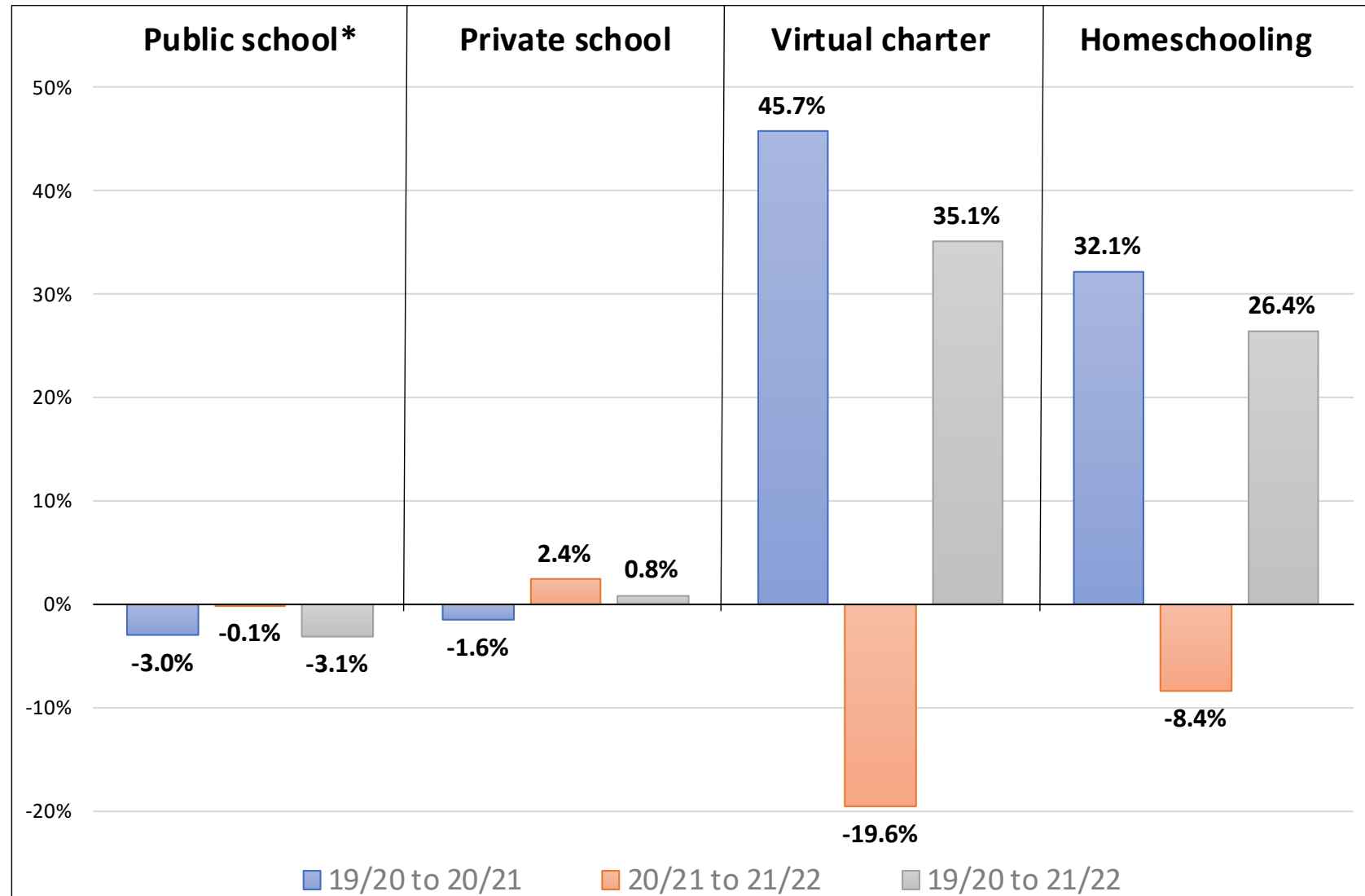
School Type	School Yr	School Yr	School Yr	Change
	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	19/20-21/22
Public school*	854,959	829,935	829,143	-25,816
Private school	120,705	118,862	121,729	1,024
Virtual charter	8,696	16,020	13,395	4,699
Homeschooling	21,644	31,878	29,402	7,758
Total	1,006,004	996,695	993,669	-12,335

*3rd Friday of September Count



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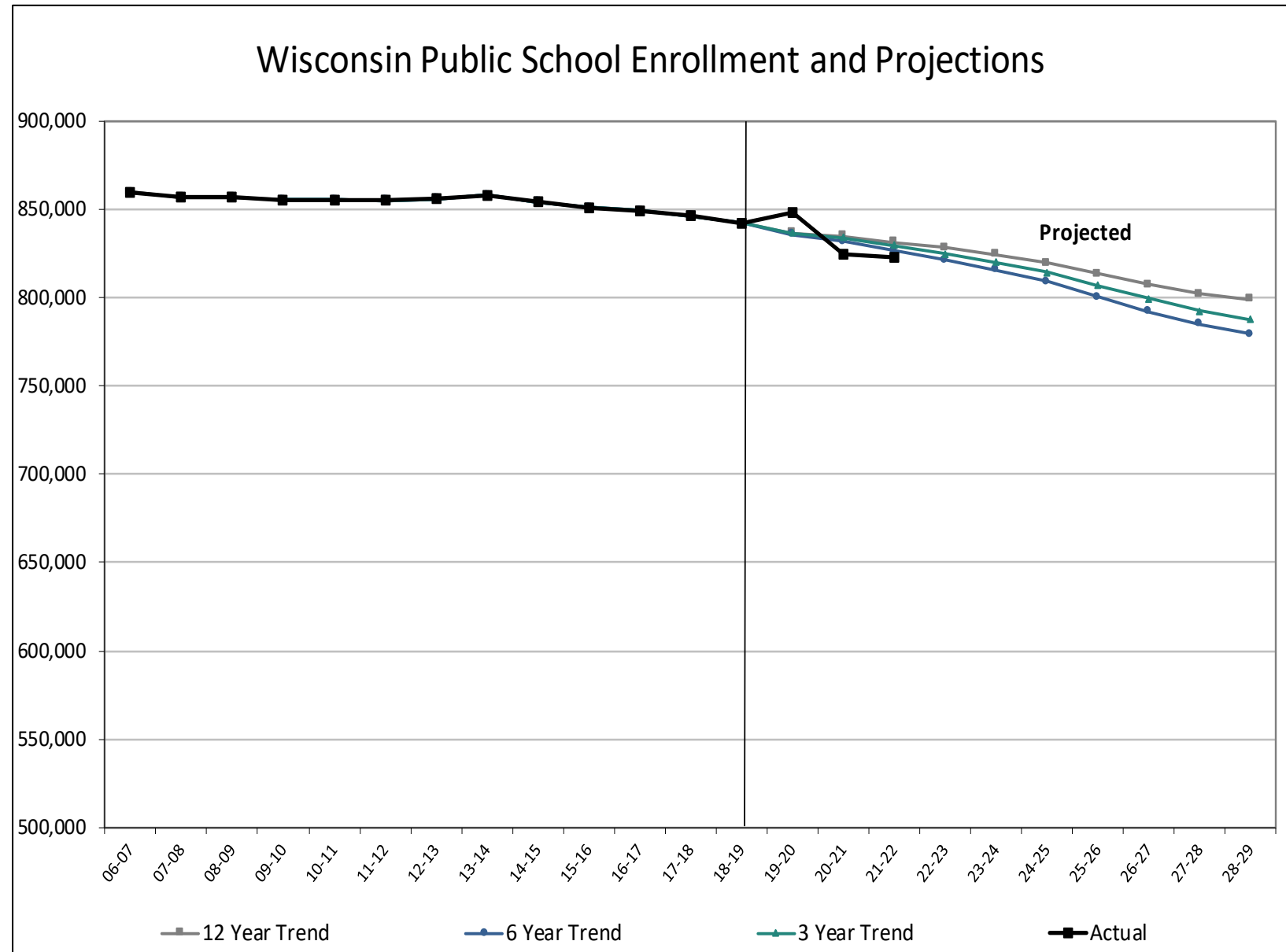
Percent Change by School Type from 2019/20 to 2021/22



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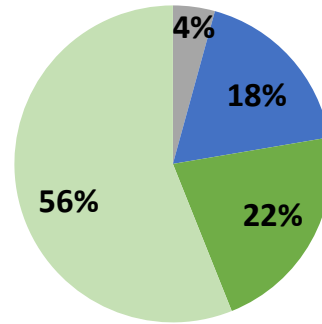
Public School Enrollment Projections 2019-2028

Because the projections incorporate the consequences of migration, any significant or sustained interruption of recent patterns will erode these models' accuracy from that point forward.

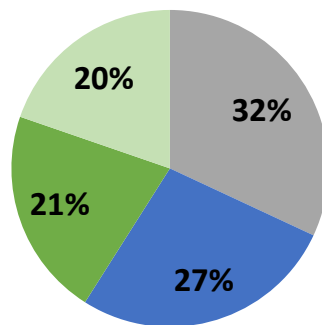


Wisconsin School Districts

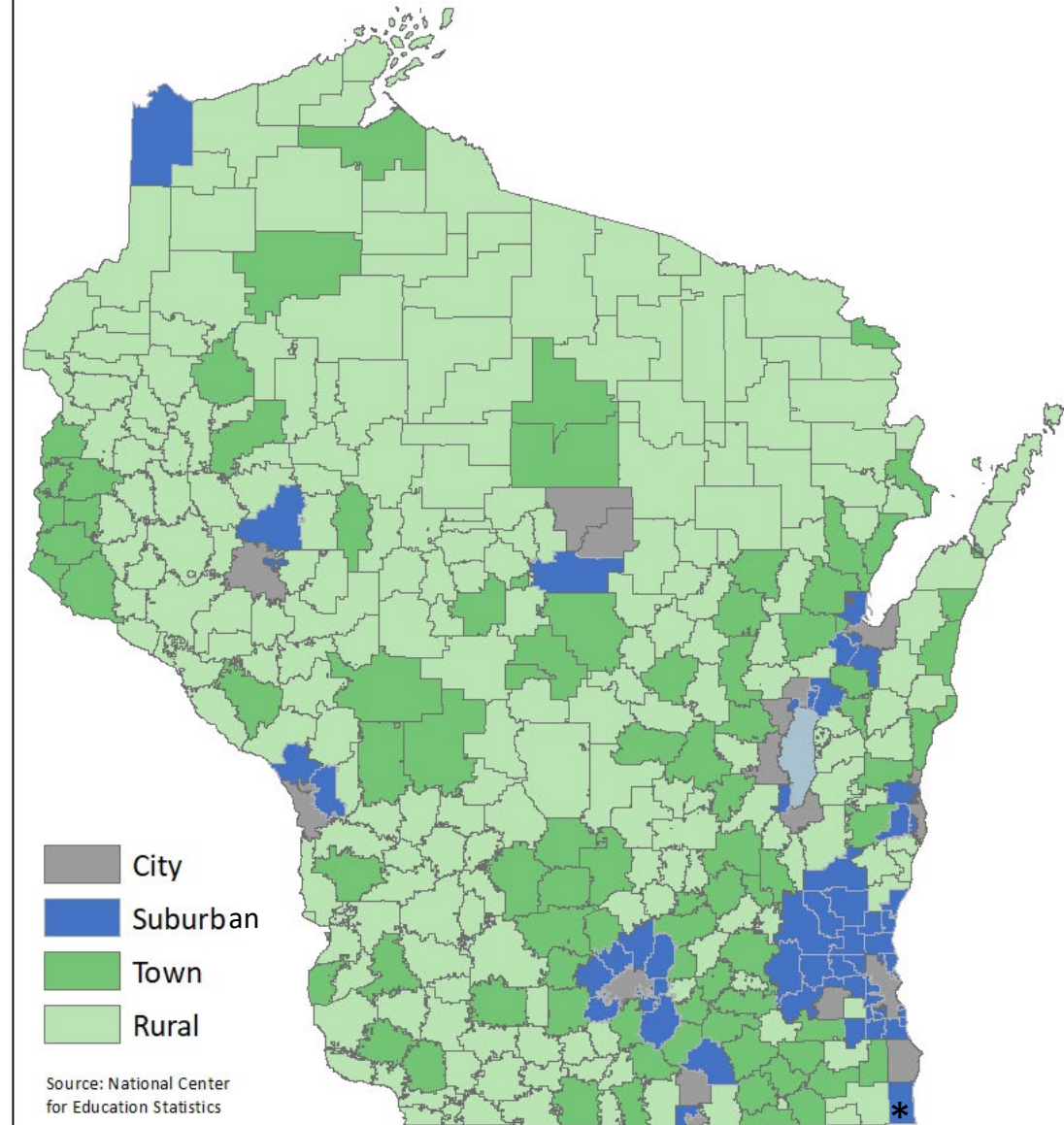
Percentage of Districts



Percentage of Students

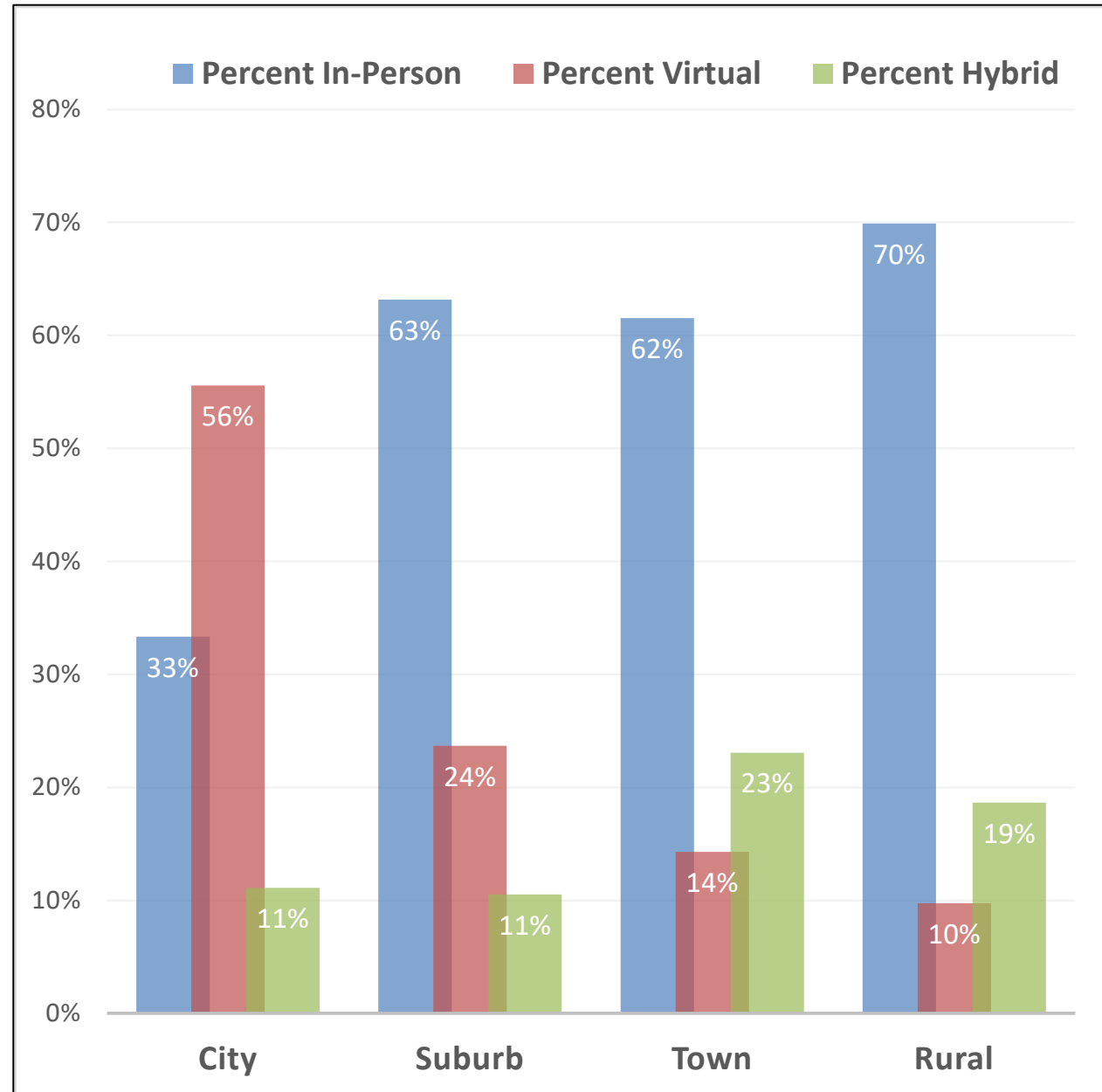


School Districts by Locale



Learning Model During the Pandemic

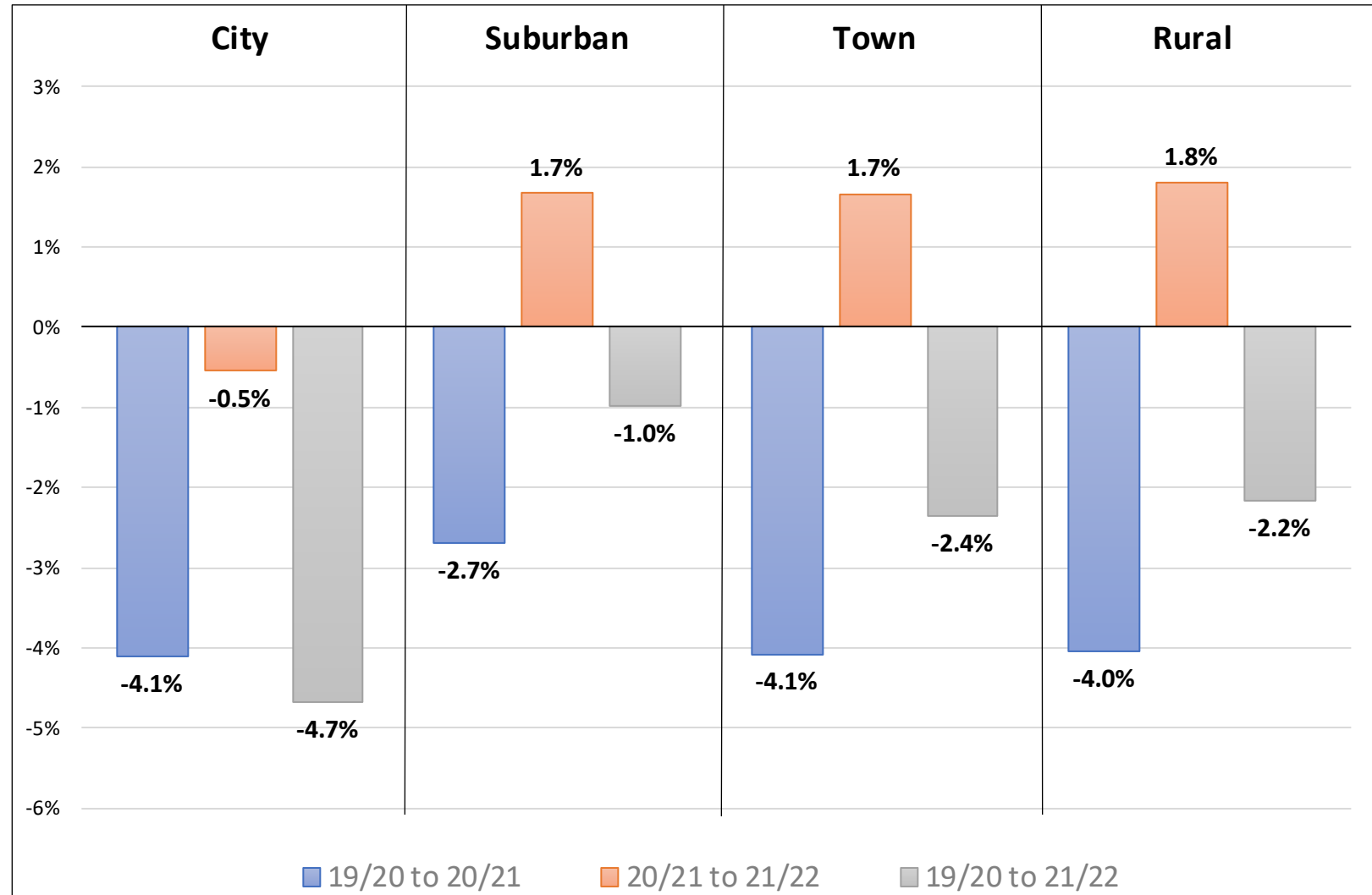
Public School Learning Model, November 2020



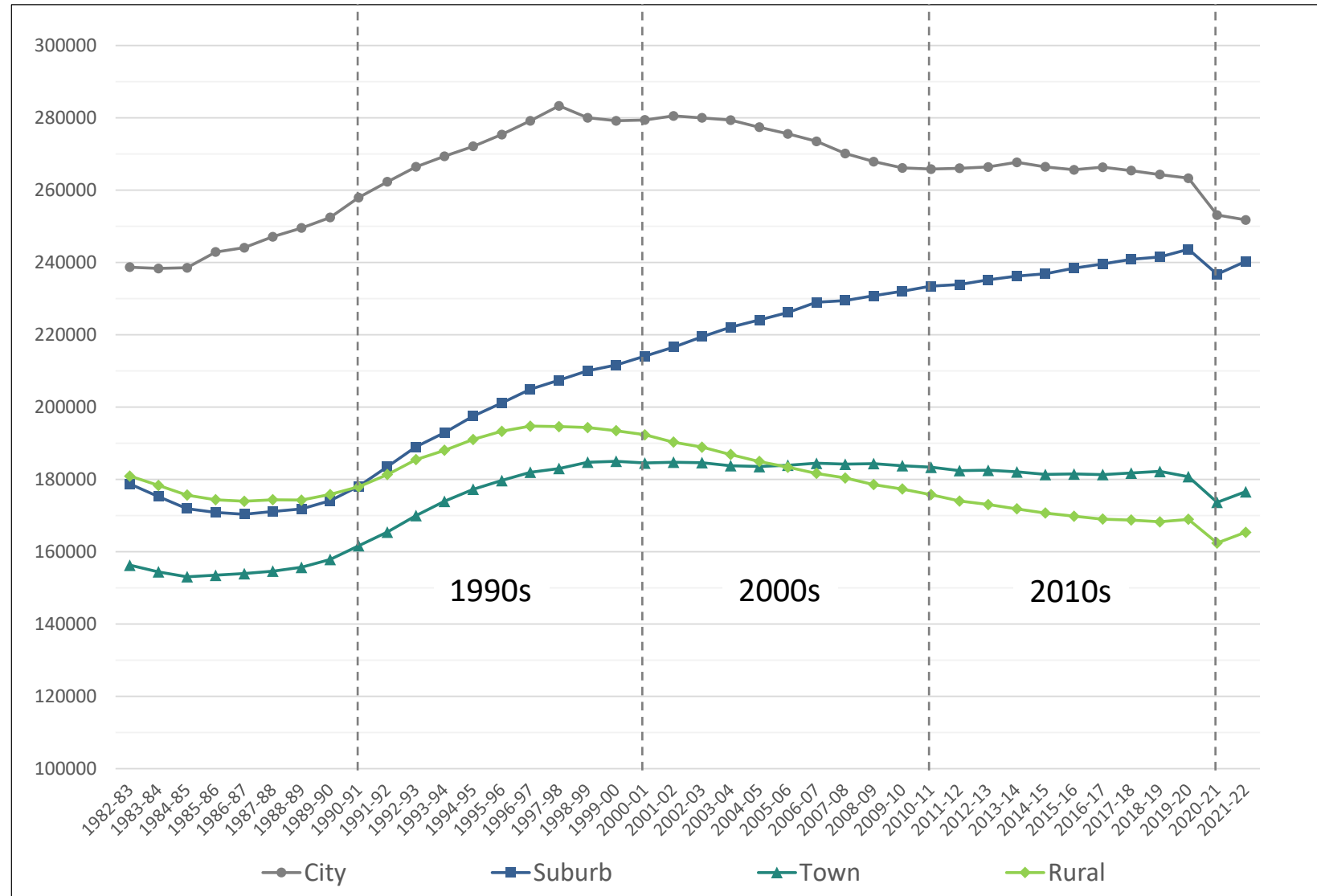
Source: www.covidschooldatahub.com

Change in Membership During the Pandemic

Percent Change by Location from 2019/20 to 2021/22



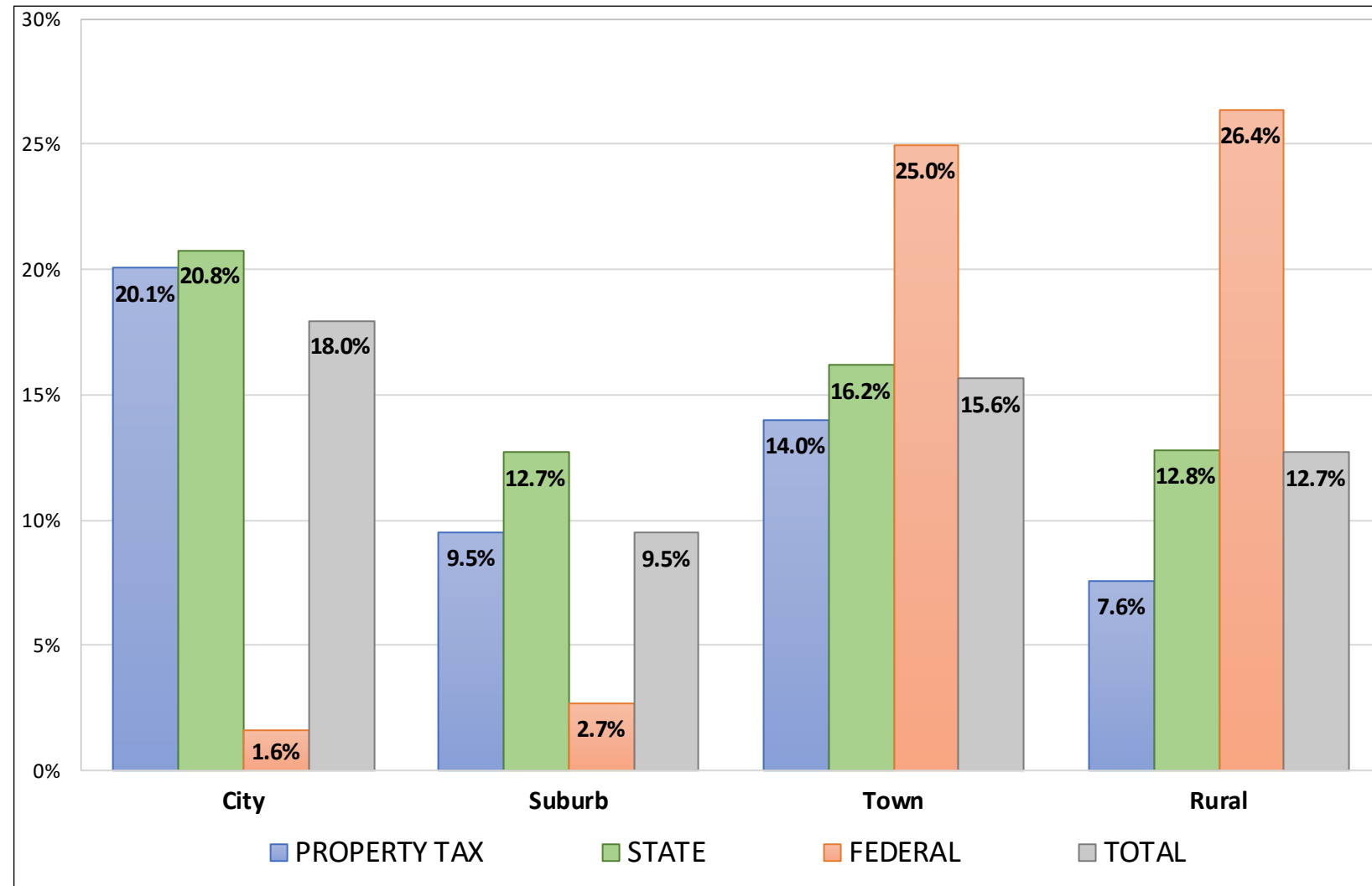
District Membership 1982-2021



Source: DPI, School Financial Services Data Warehouse

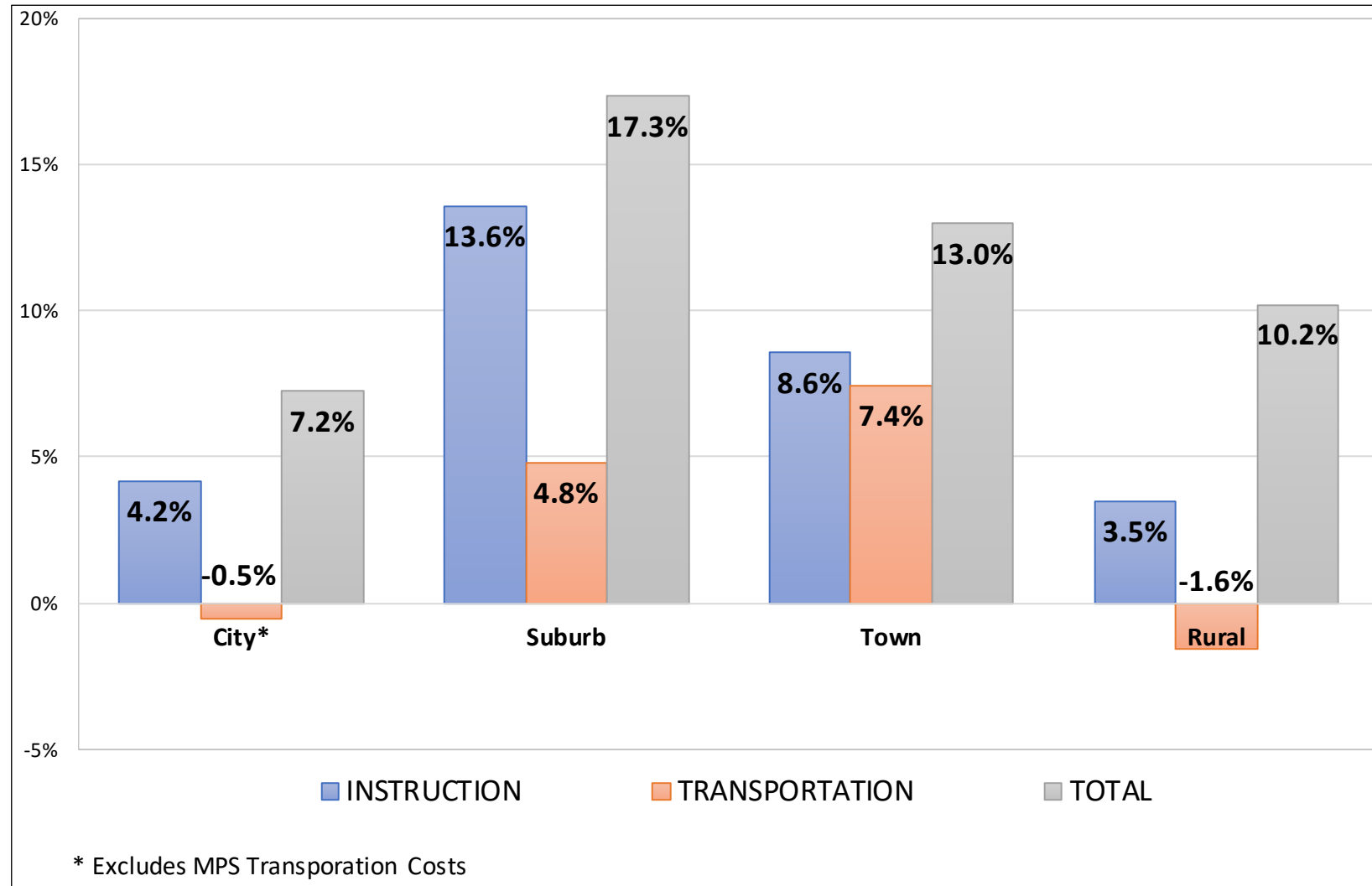
Change in District Revenues 2010-2020

Percent Change from 2010/11 to 2020/21



Change in District Expenses 2010-2020

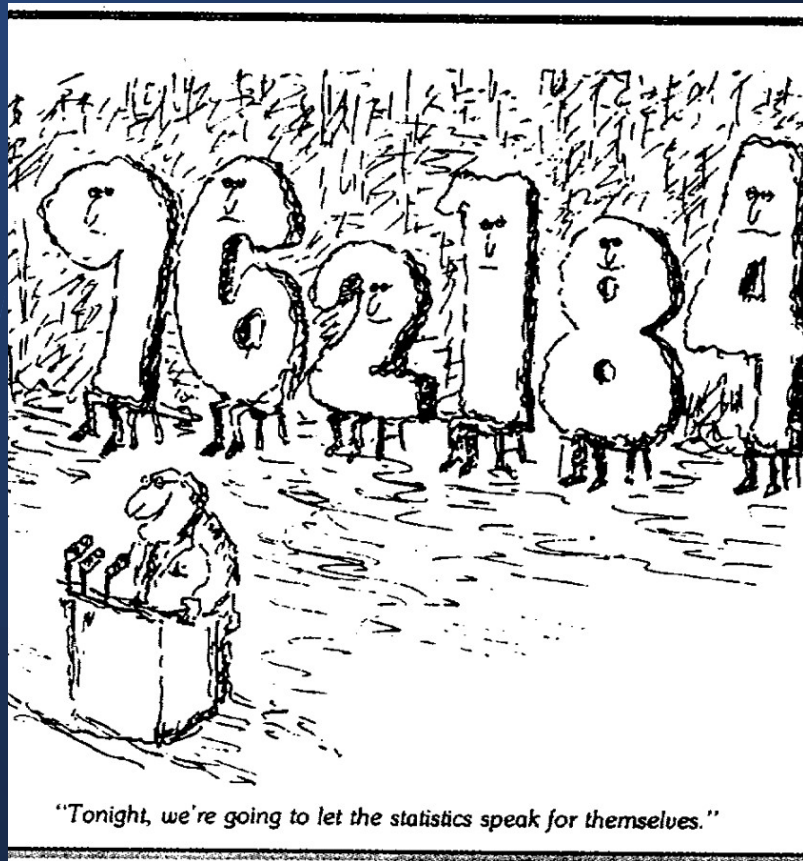
Percent Change from 2010/11 to 2020/21



Wisconsin Public Schools Concluding Comments

- **Fewer births, Fewer students**
- **Non-traditional K-12 alternatives, Fewer students**
- **Fewer students, Fewer dollars**
- **Regardless of student enrollment, Fixed costs remain**
- **Pandemic learning loss, Safety, Mental health, & Poverty**





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