



Minnesota State Demographic Center

Minnesota Now, Then, When...

An Overview of Demographic Change

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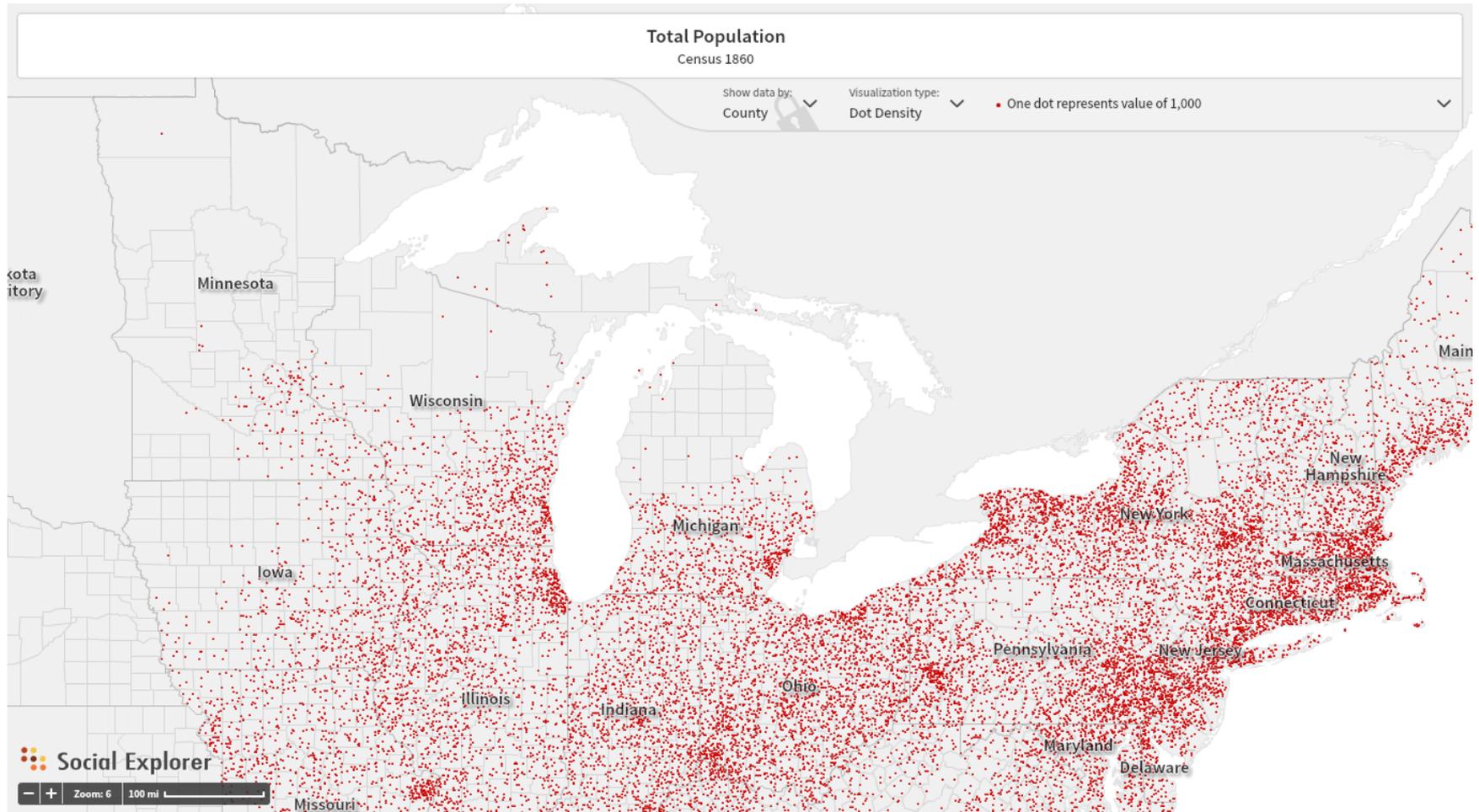
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1858:
Minnesota gained statehood



MN in 1860 Census: Each dot = 1,000 people



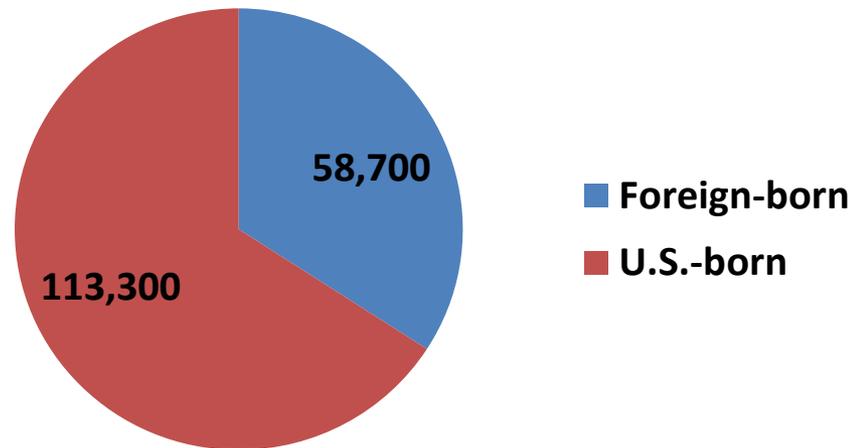
Source: U.S. Census via Social Explorer.

MN in 1860 Census

- Total population statewide of 172,000 people
 - About 13,000 people in Hennepin County
 - About 12,000 people in Ramsey County
 - About 16,000 people (9% statewide) were living in “urban” cities (with 2,500+ people), only in these two counties. The rest of the population was rural, with 18,000 farms operating statewide.
 - Current boundaries of 87 counties not yet established

MN in 1860 Census

- The population was very young
 - 86% of the population was under age 40
 - 51% of the population was under age 20
- One-third of the population was foreign-born (an immigrant)

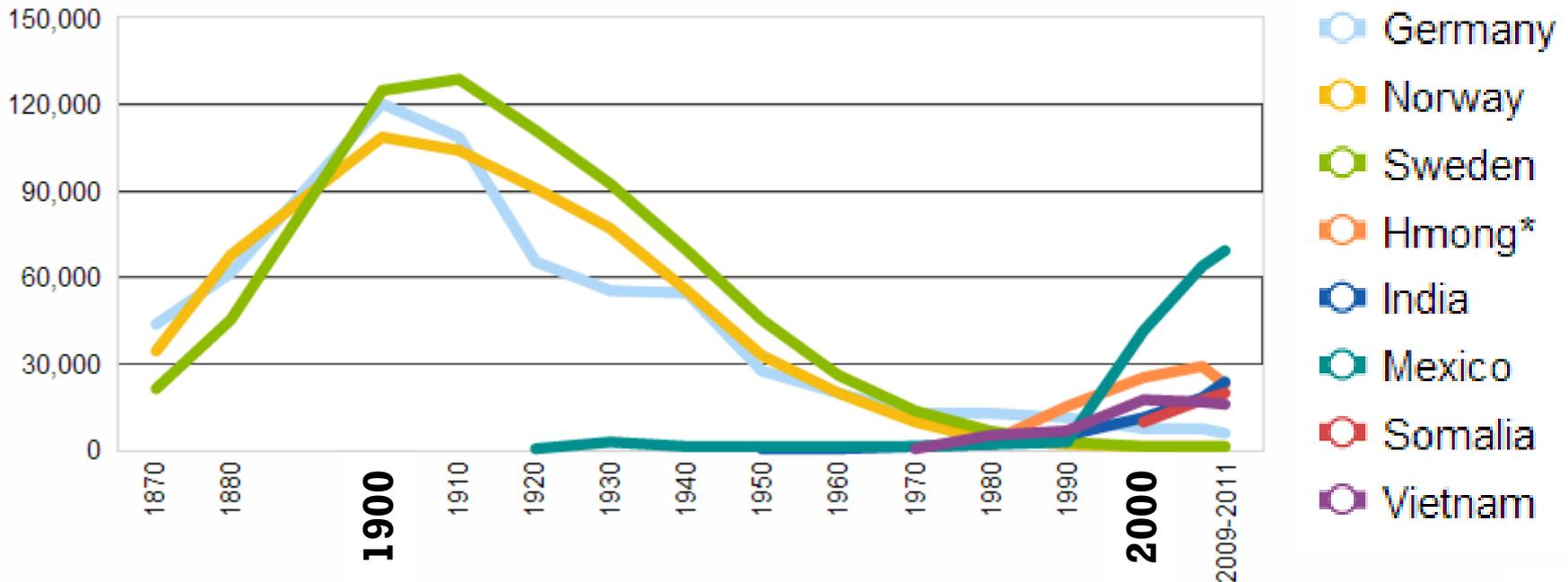


Minnesota residents by race in 1860

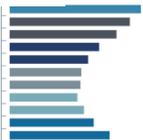


+ By late 1800s, German, Norwegian and Swedish immigrants began to arrive in MN in great numbers

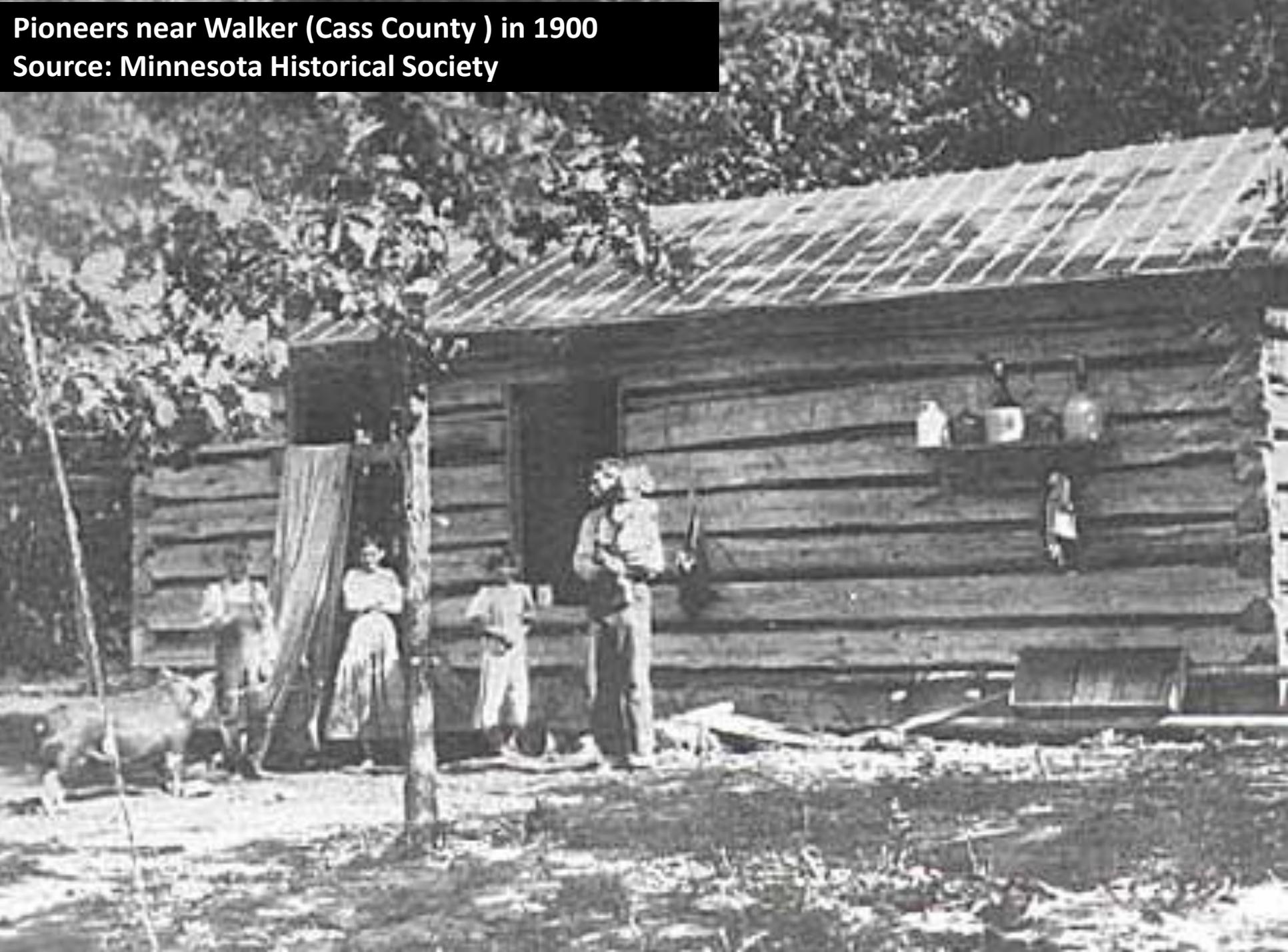
Foreign born population by birthplace
Minnesota, 1870-2011



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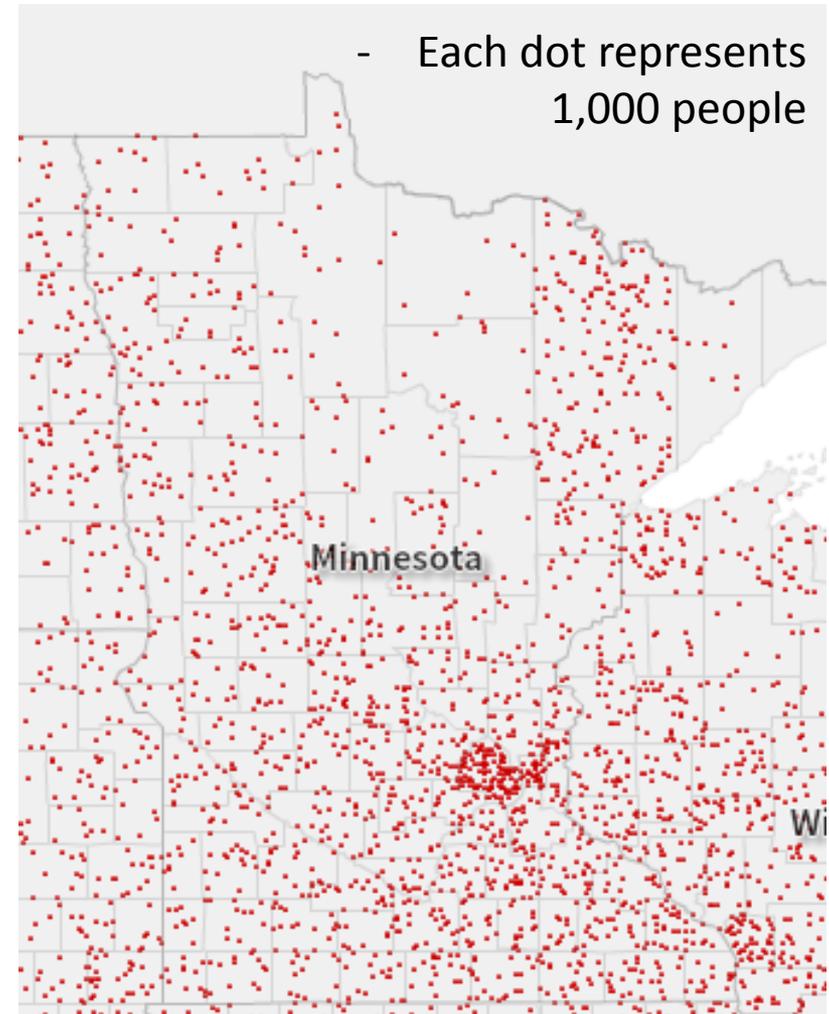


Pioneers near Walker (Cass County) in 1900
Source: Minnesota Historical Society

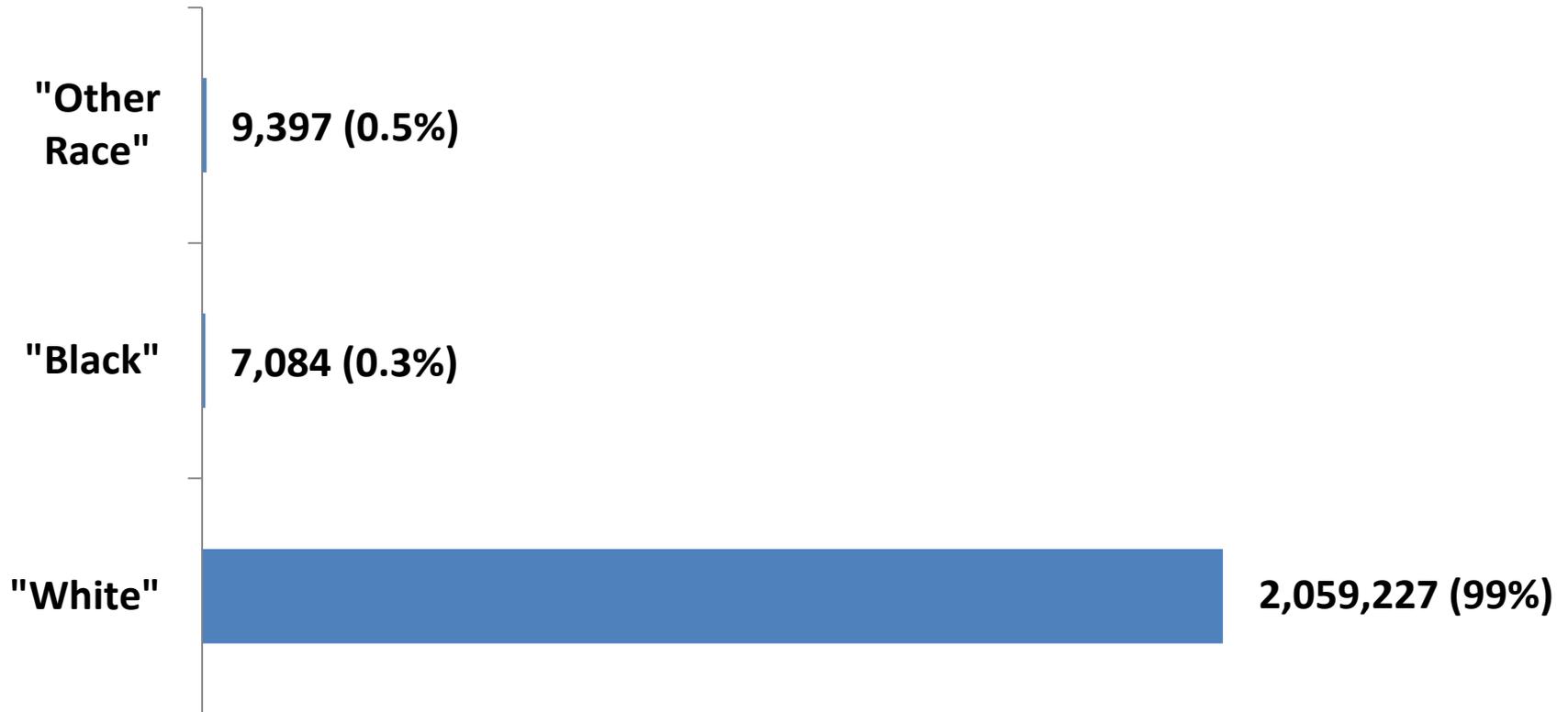


MN in 1910 Census

- Total population statewide of 2,076,000
 - 156,000 farms statewide
- More than 1/4th of population was foreign-born
 - Of these immigrants, 22% were from Sweden, 20% from Germany, & 19% from Norway



Minnesota residents by race in 1910

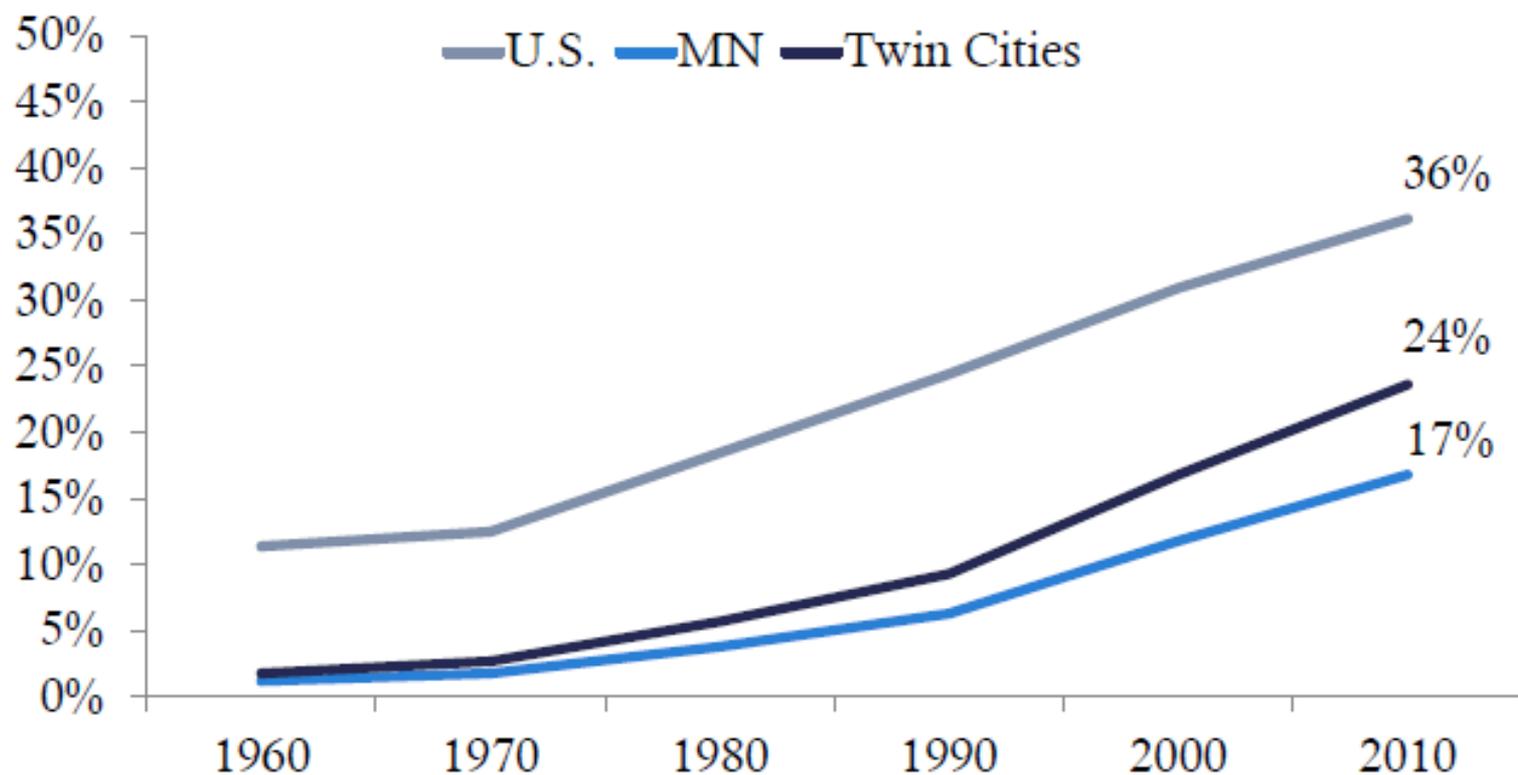


**Minnesota,
1910 to the present**

50 years of growing diversity in our region, state, nation

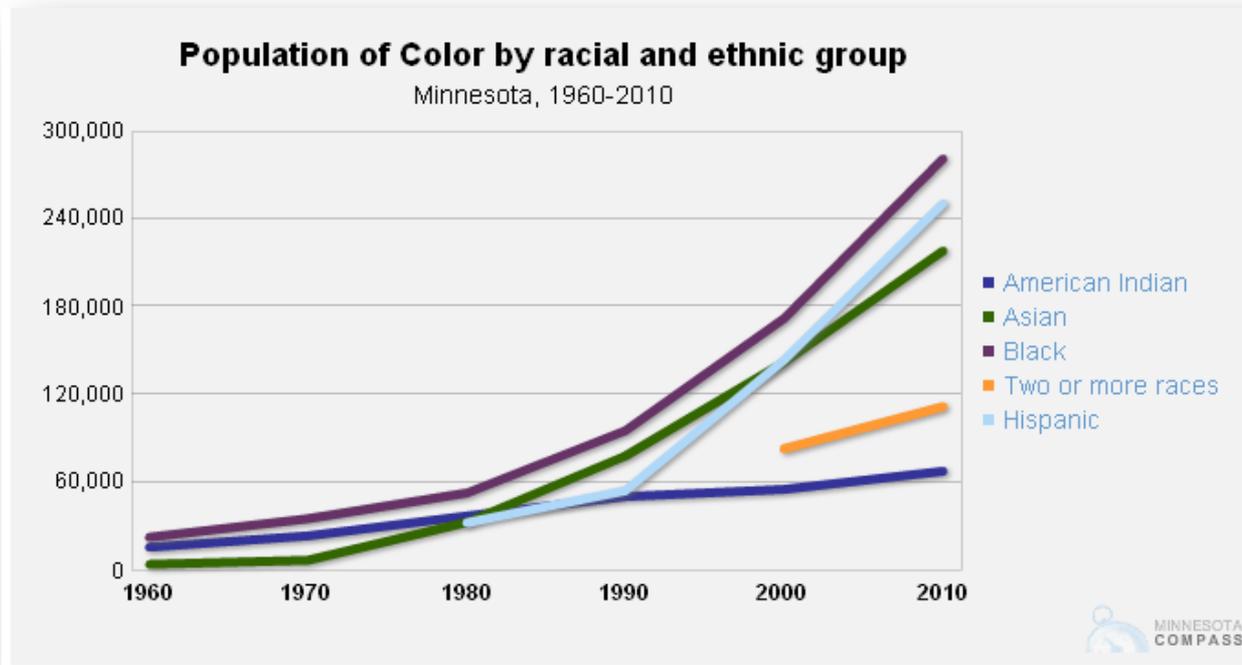


Percent Of Color, 1960-2010





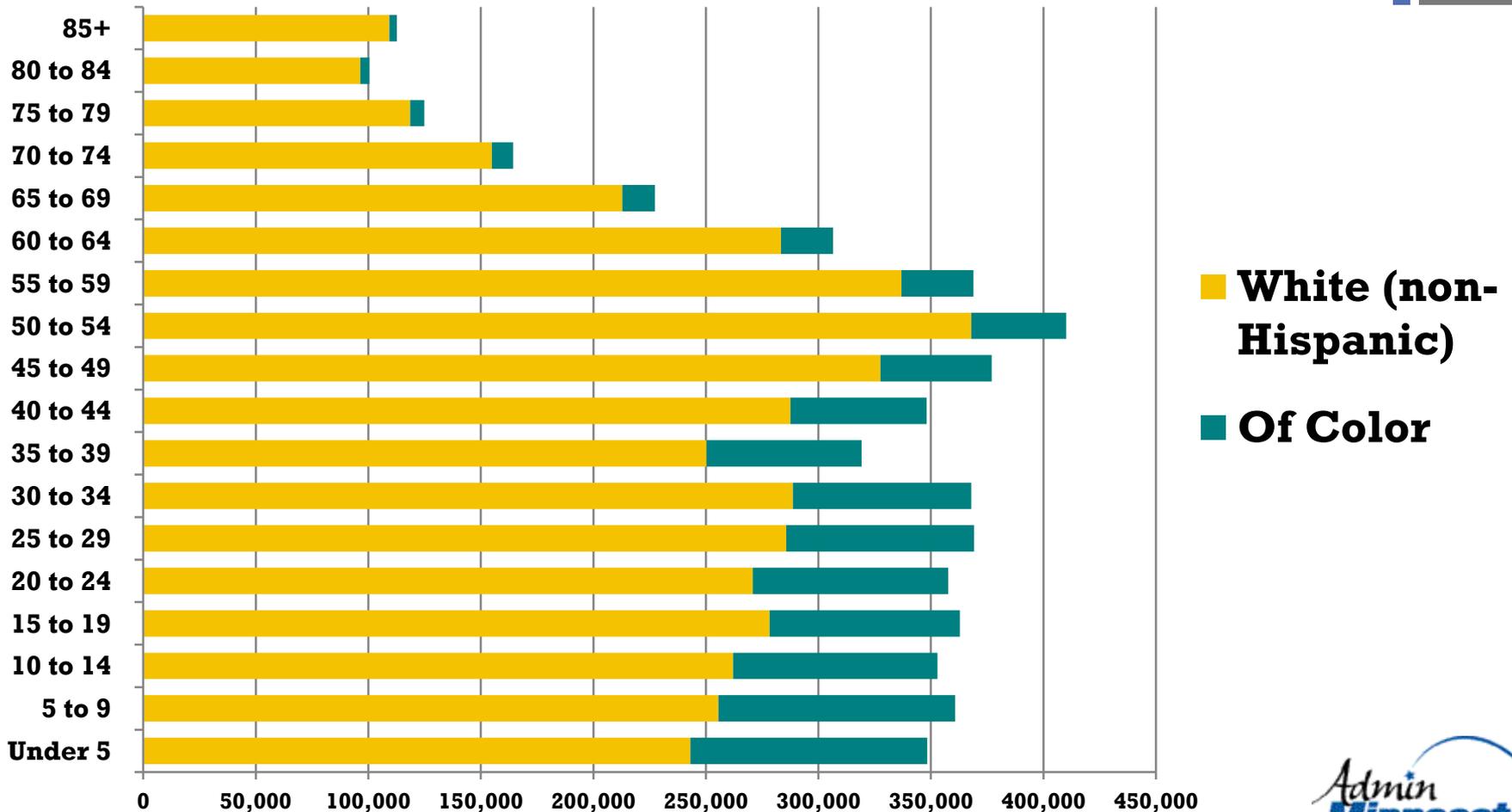
Populations of Color have grown dramatically since 1990



- **Since 1990, Asian and Black residents tripled, and Hispanic residents quadrupled in MN**



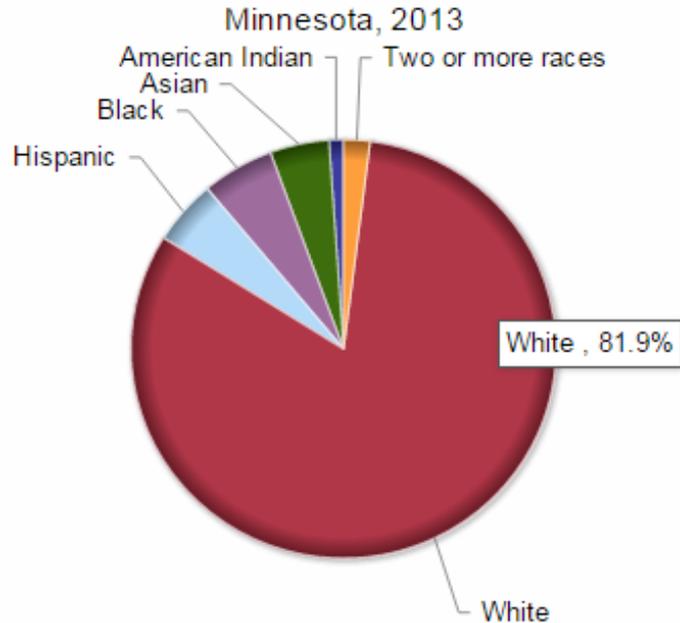
Minnesota's population by age groups, 2012



Sources: U.S. Census Bureau, 2012 population estimates

MN today by race/ethnicity (Hispanics removed from all other race groups)

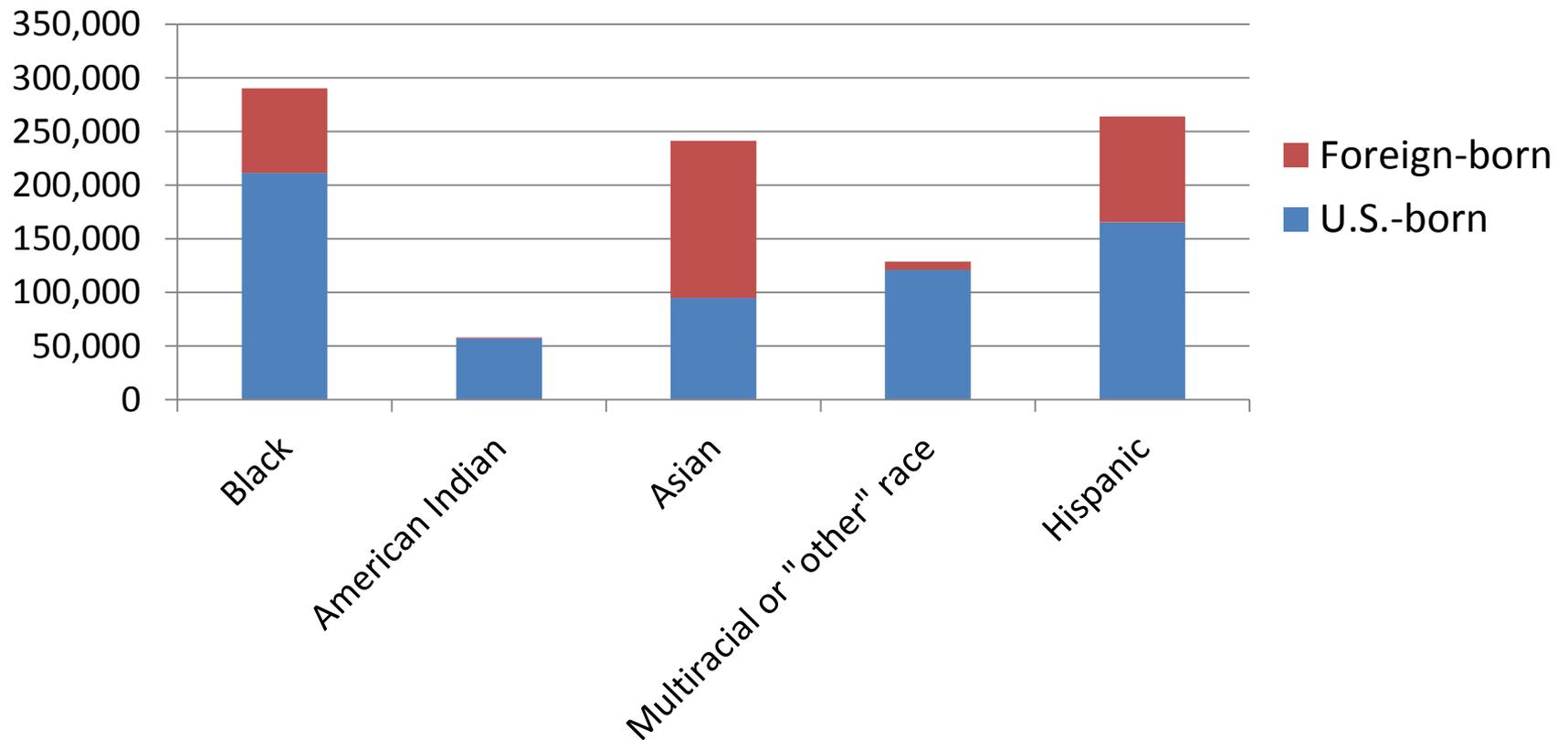
Population by racial and ethnic group



- 82% White
- 6% Black
- 5% Hispanic
- 5% Asian
- 2% Multiracial
- 1% American Indian

Many of our populations of Color are immigrants

Minnesota populations of Color, by birthplace, 2013



Source: IPUMS version of U.S. Census Bureau's 2013 American Community Survey, Tabulated by MN State Demographic Center.



Percent of MN young people who are “children of immigrants”



Under age 20, it's 1 in 6



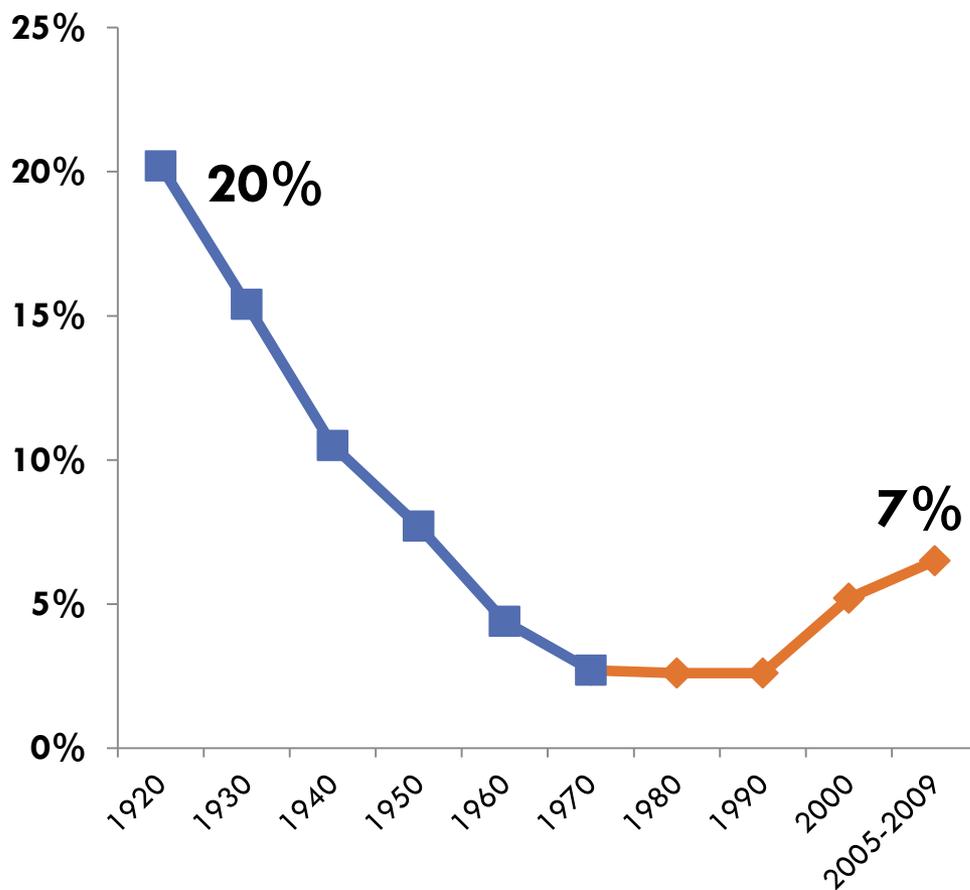
Under age 5, it's 1 in 5

“Children of immigrants” are foreign-born themselves, or have one or two foreign-born parents



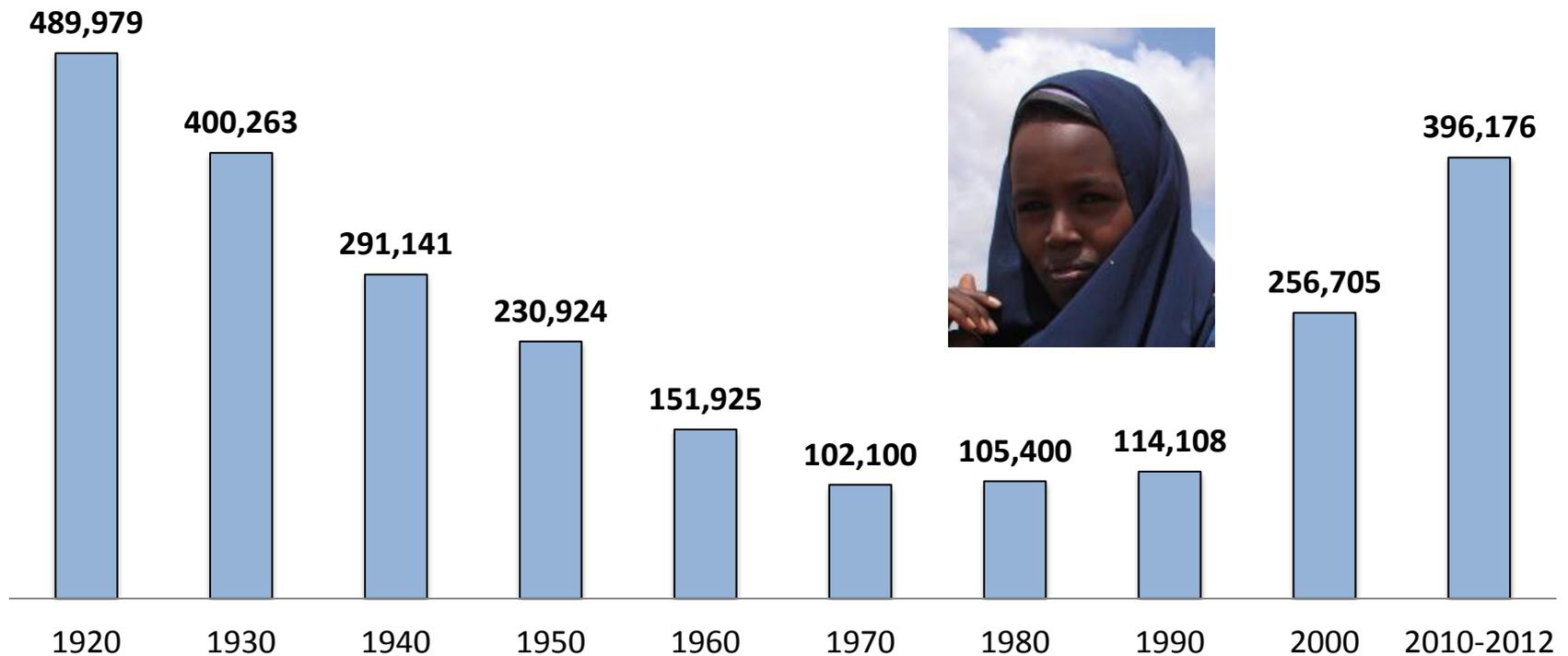
International immigration has increased in recent years, but pales in comparison to the early 1900s

Percent Foreign-Born, Minnesota, 1920-2009

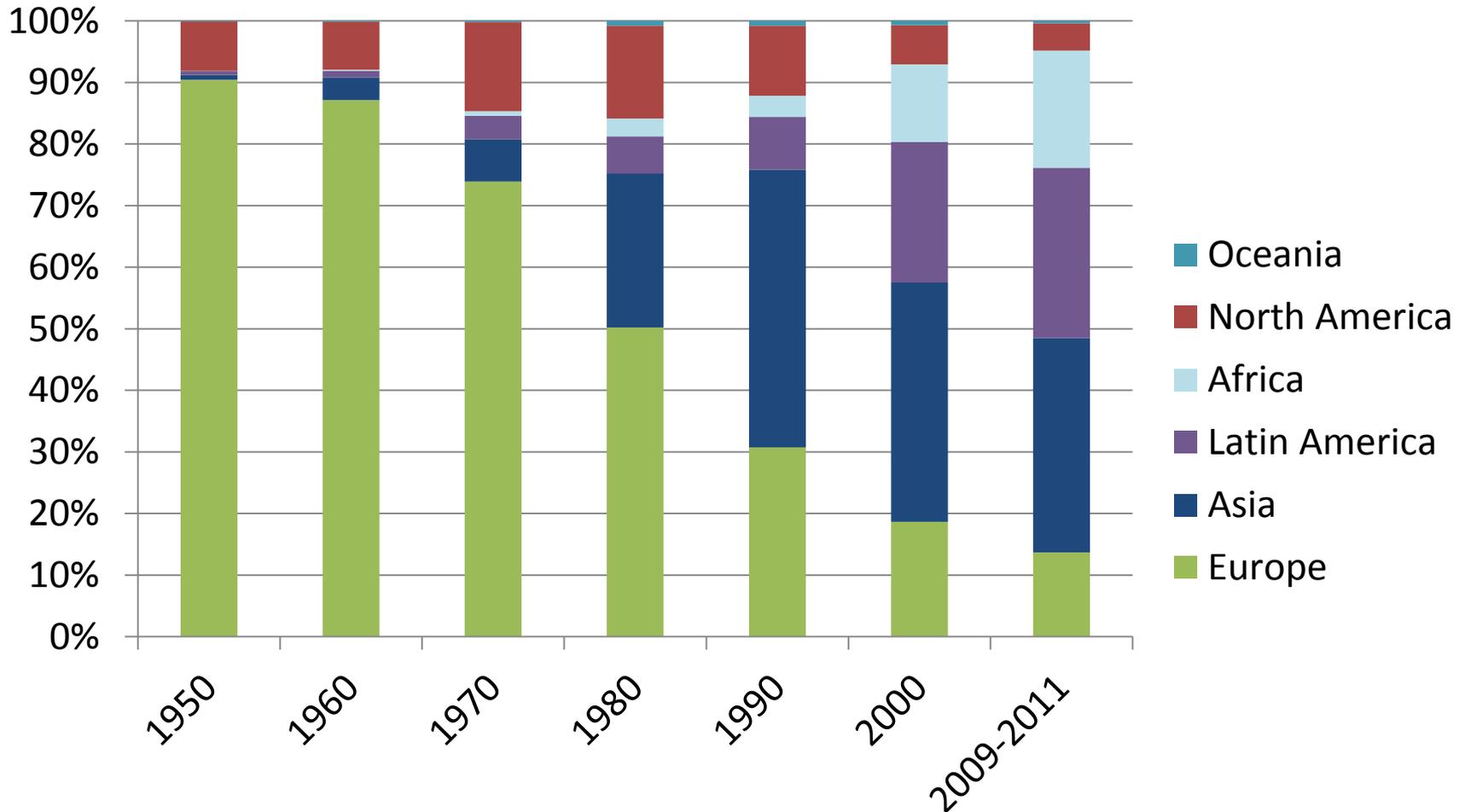


Source: U.S. Census Bureau

Number of foreign-born in Minnesota, 1920-2012



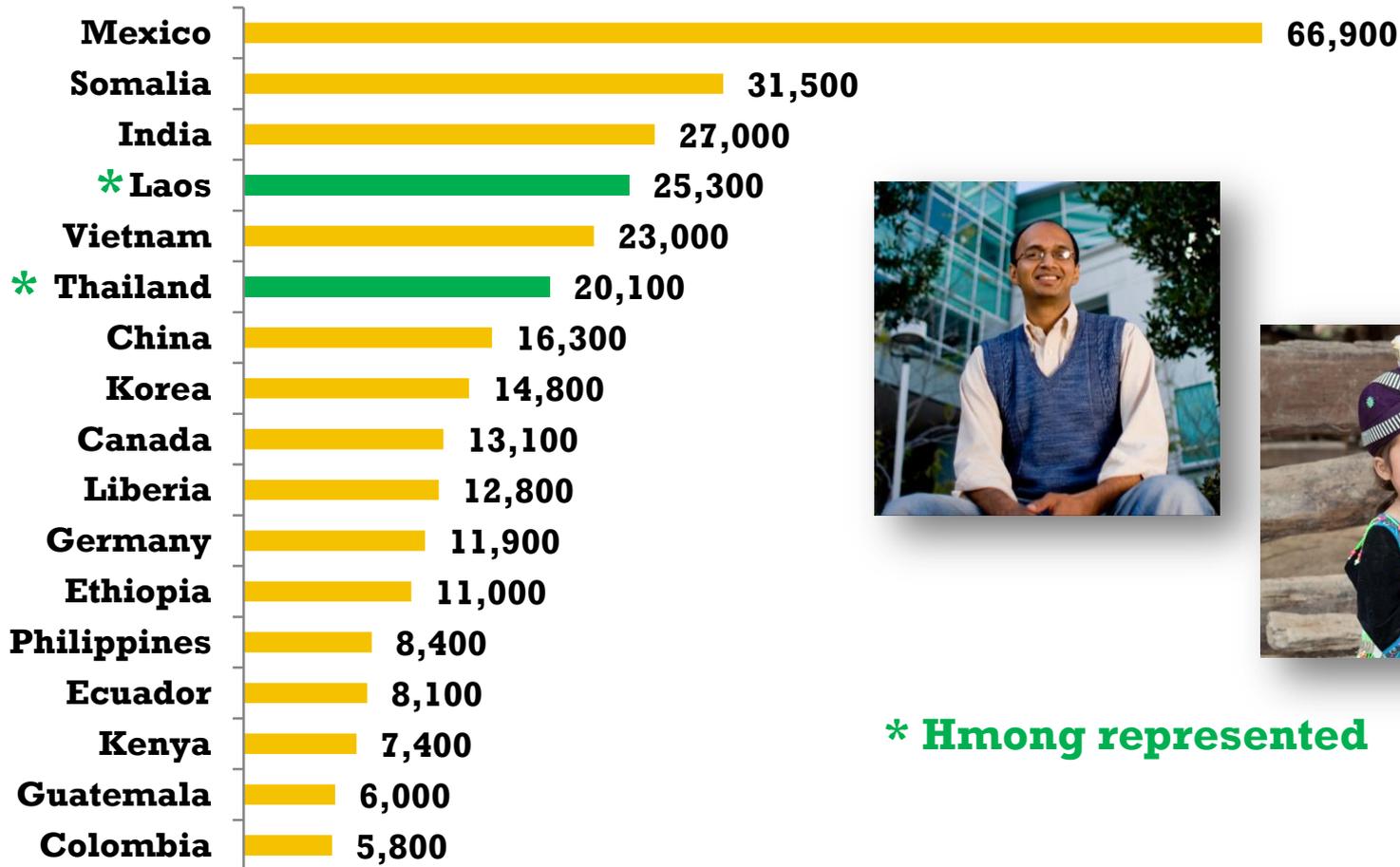
+ Our foreign-born population is becoming increasingly diverse



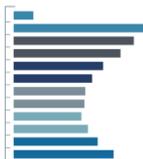
Source: IPUMS version of U.S. Census Bureau's decennial censuses and 2010-2012 American Community Survey, Tabulated by MN State Demographic Center.



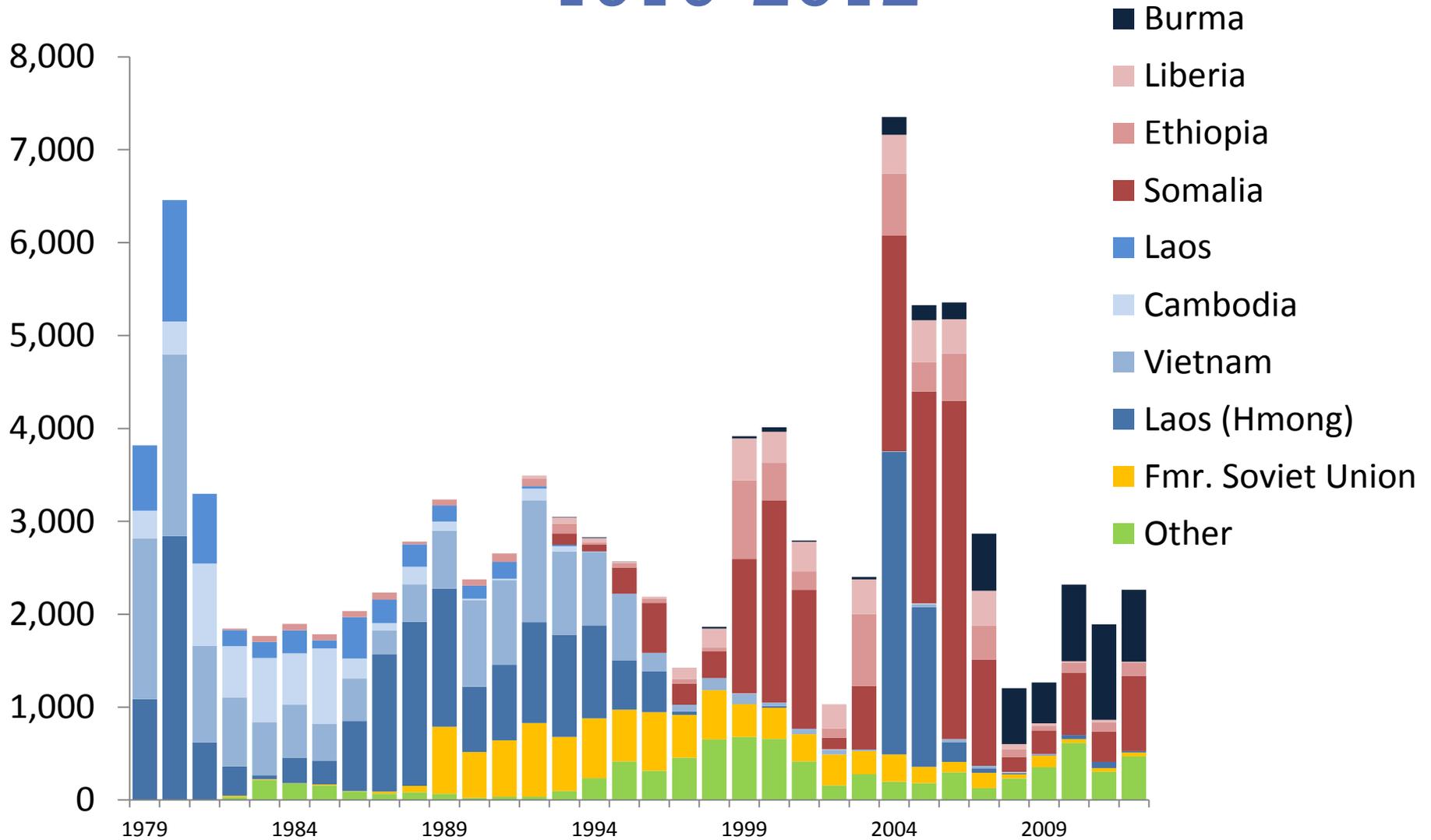
MN foreign-born populations: Largest groups by country of birth, 2013



* Hmong represented



Primary Refugee Arrivals to MN 1979-2012

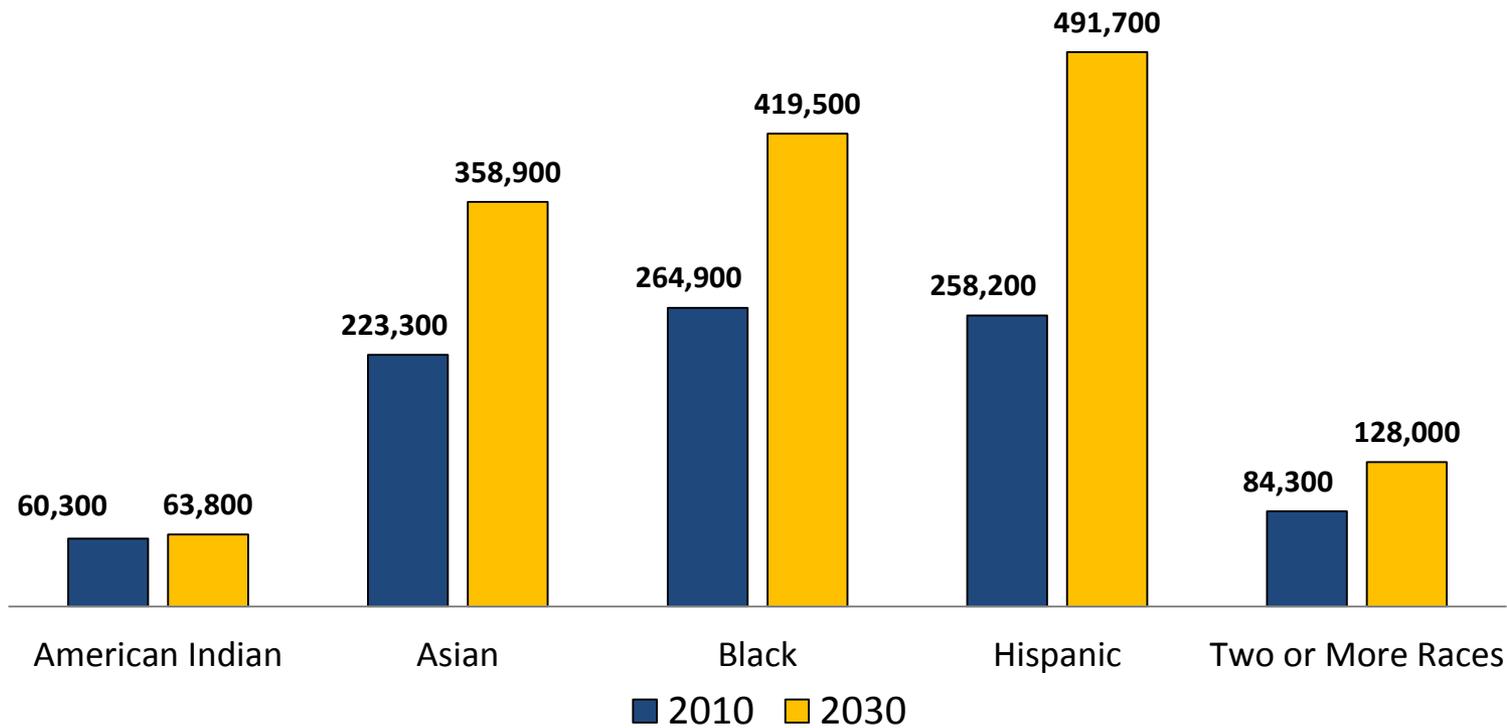


Source: Department of Homeland Security, Primary Refugee Arrivals to MN.

Minnesota, projected

What will we be like when...

MN: Largest population growth among Asian, Black and Latino groups by 2030

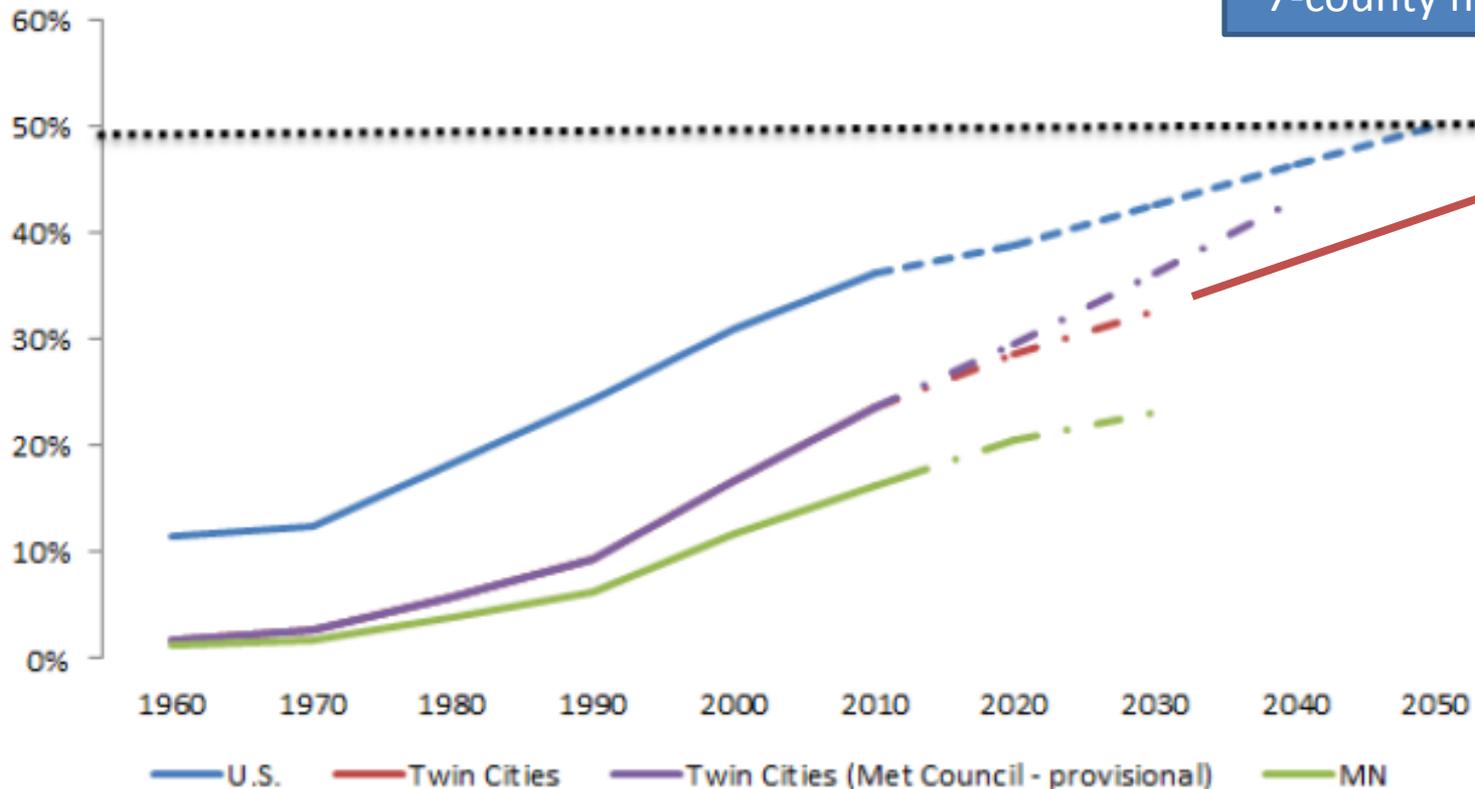


By mid-to-late century, the Twin Cities will not have a racial majority



Population of Color, 1960-2050

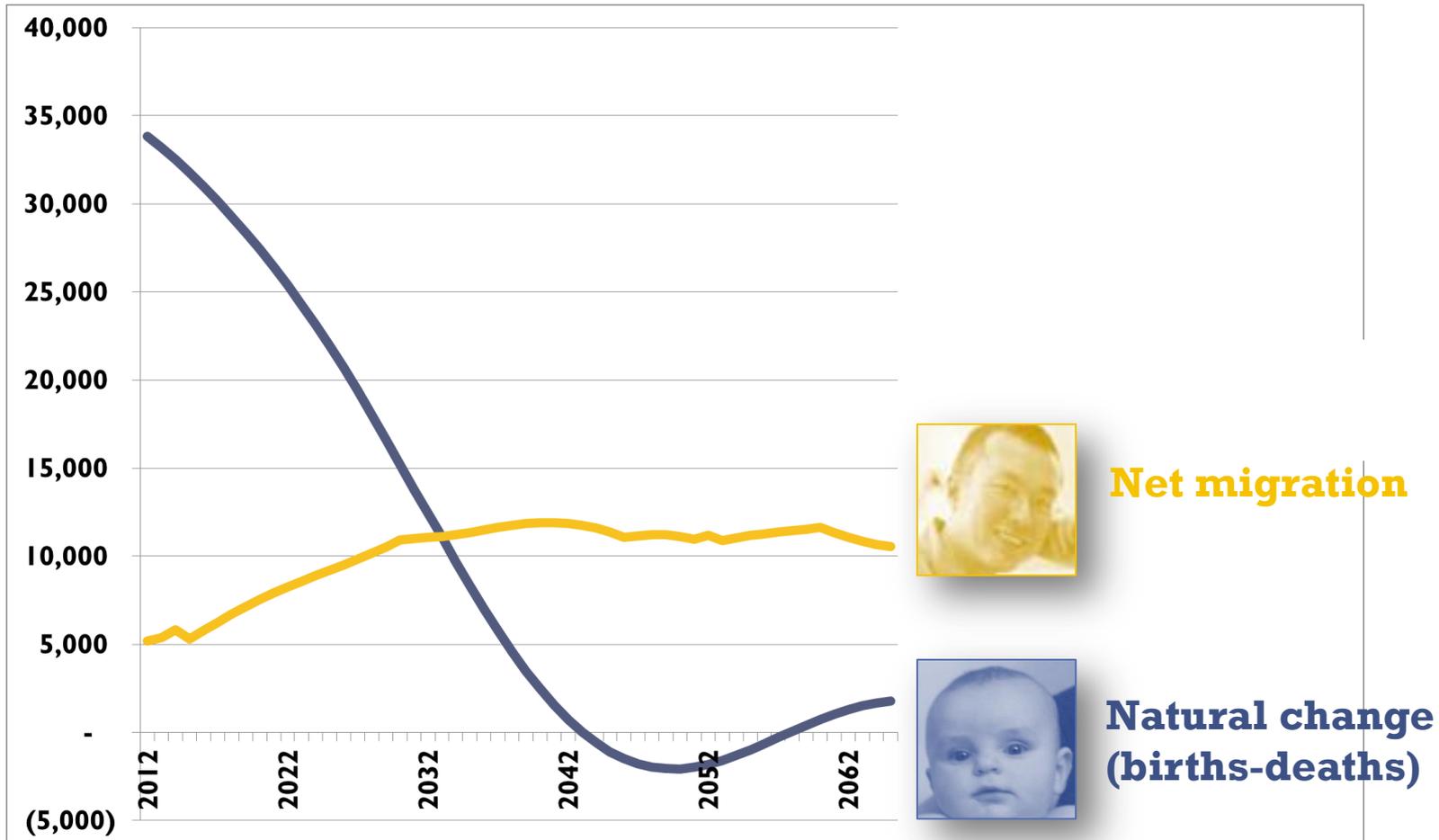
Twin Cities refers to 7-county metro area



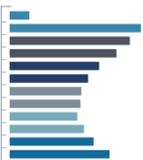
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, State Demographic Center, Met Council



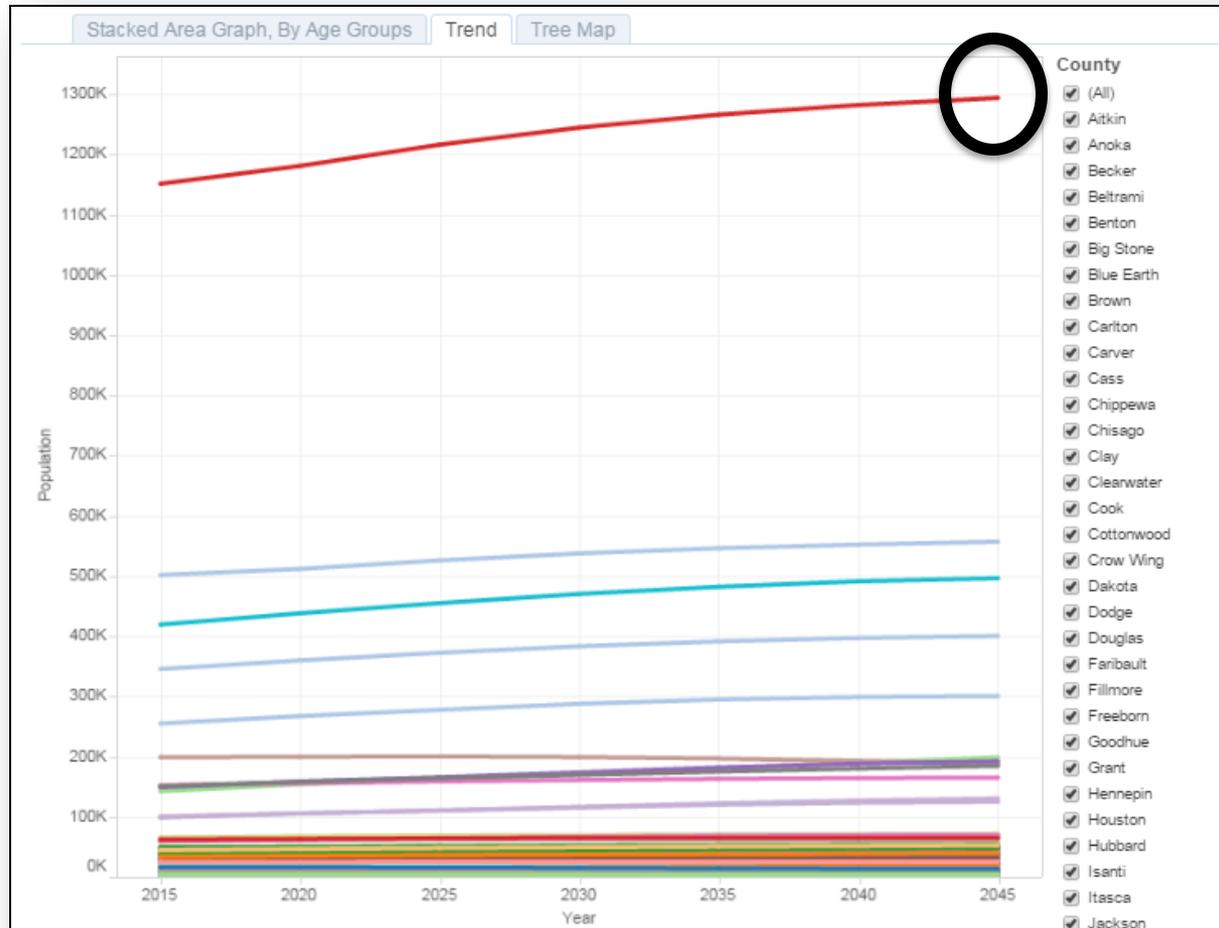
Net migration will become the major driver of our state's growth



Source: MN State Demographic Center projections, October 2013.



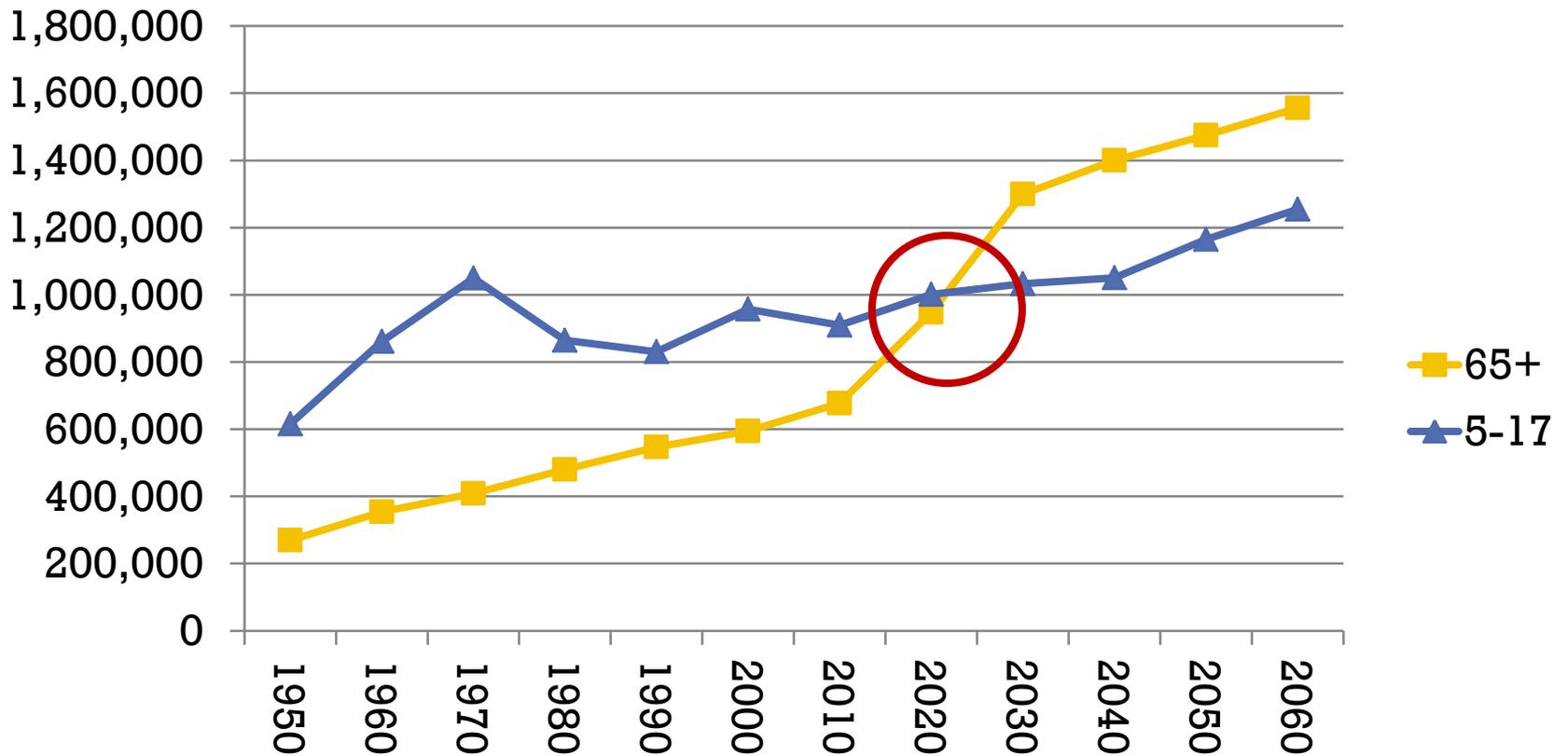
Hennepin County expected to enlarge its lead over all other counties moving to 2045



Source: MN State Demographic Center projections, available at <http://mn.gov/admin/demography/map-viz-gallery/viz-co-pop-projections.jsp>



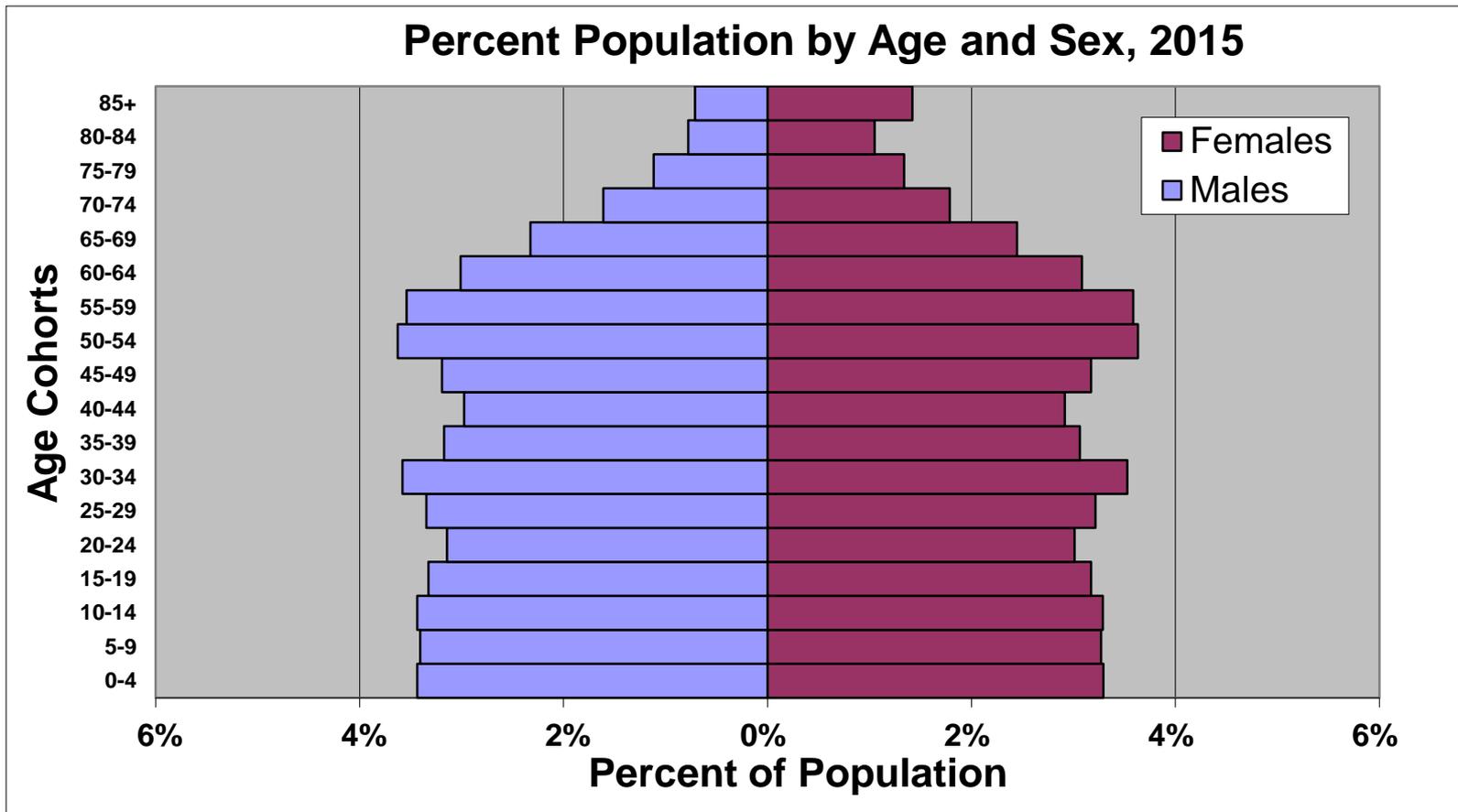
For the first time in MN history: More 65+ than school-age by 2020



Sources: U.S. Census Bureau, decennial census, and Minnesota State Demographic Center projections

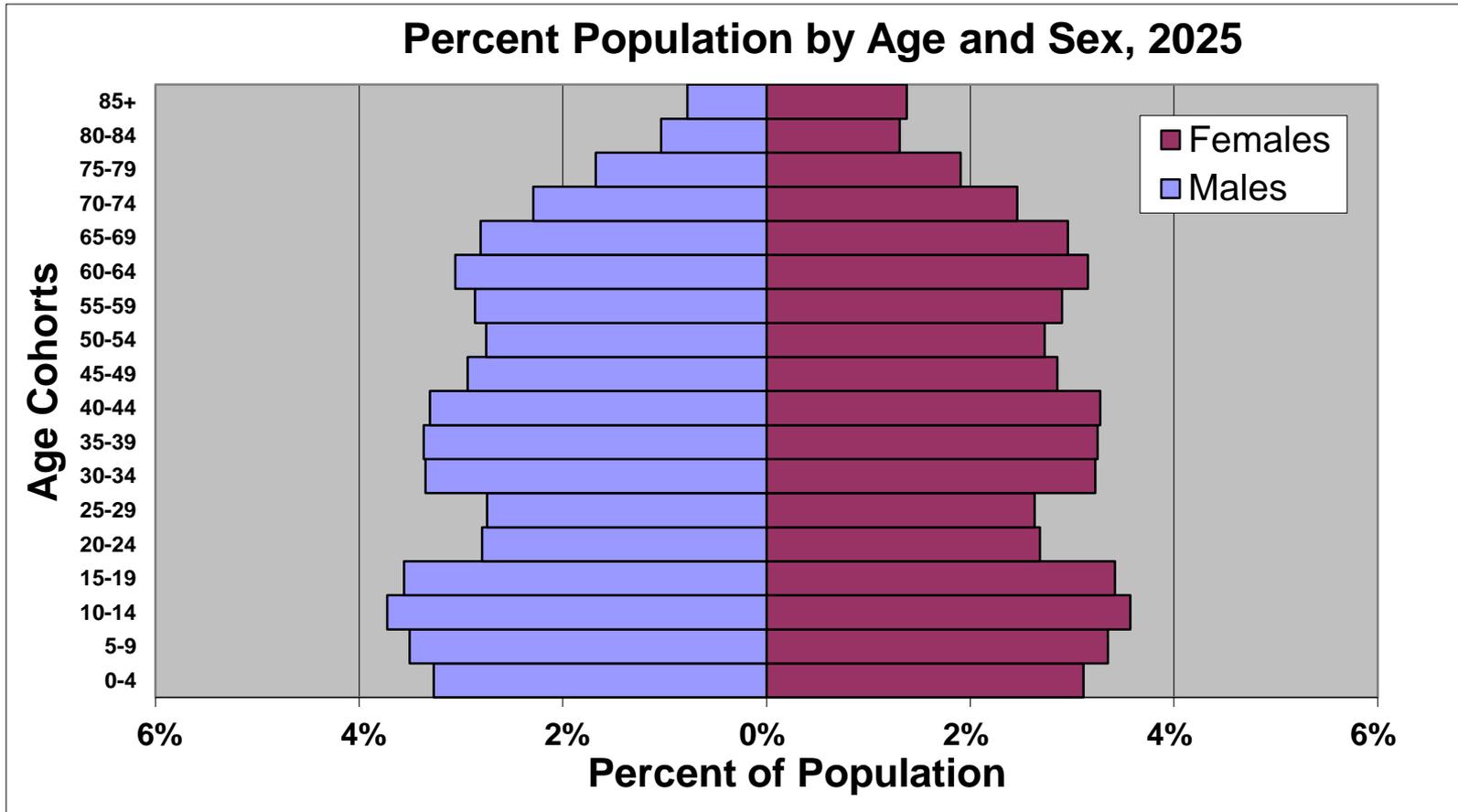


Minnesota by age and sex this year



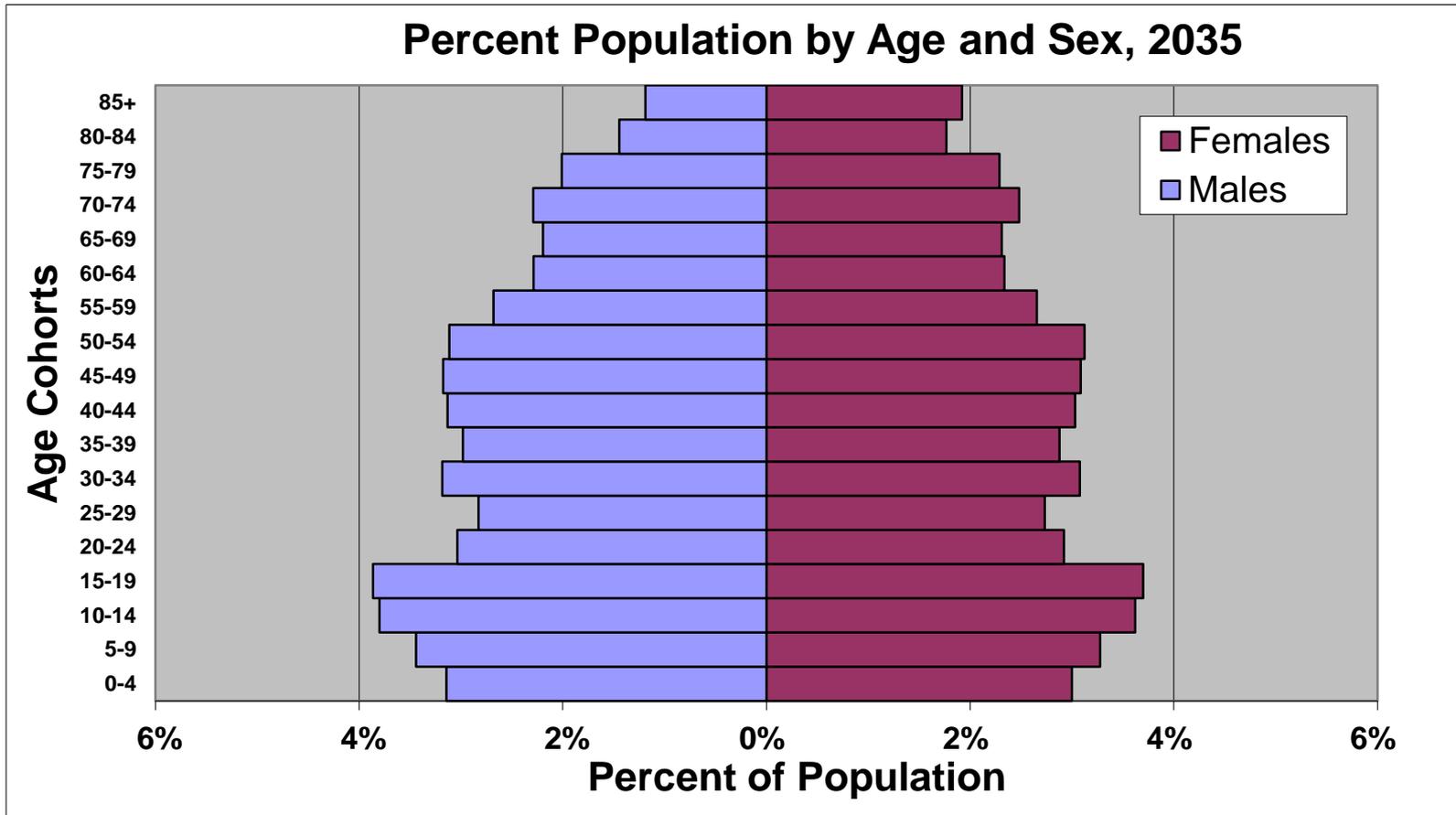


Minnesota by age and sex in 10 years (2025)





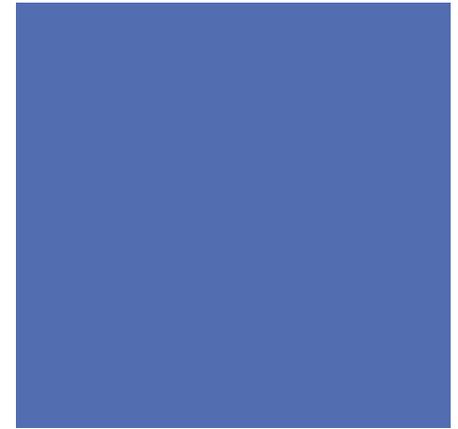
Minnesota by age and sex in 20 years (2035)





Questions?
Comments?

Thank you!



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