







# Montgomery County Trends: A Look at People, Housing and Jobs Since 1990

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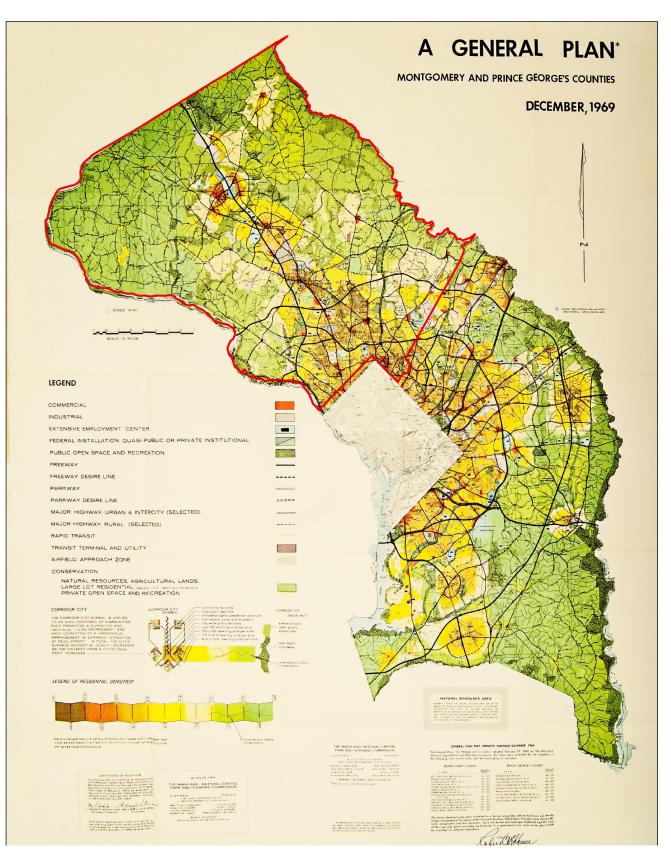


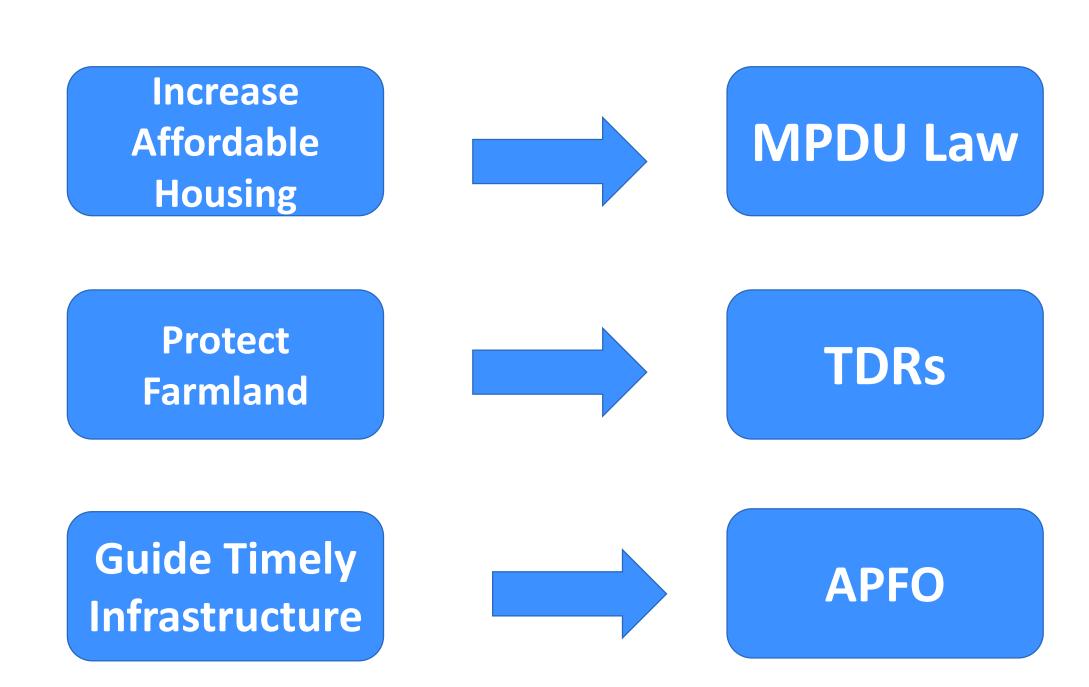
# 1964 General Plan "...on Wedges and Corridors"





# 1969 General Plan and its Implementation









### Why Update the General Plan?

- The last comprehensive update was in 1969
- The county changed from a bedroom community to a major employment center with a diverse population of more than 1 million people
- We are entering another era of disruptive technologies and cultural shifts

 Now is the time to step back and create a visionary plan for the next 30 years

# Change is an Opportunity to THRIVE

- Demographics shifts
- Digital transformation of everything
- Climate change
- Preference for walkable spaces
- Sharing economy
- Autonomous vehicles

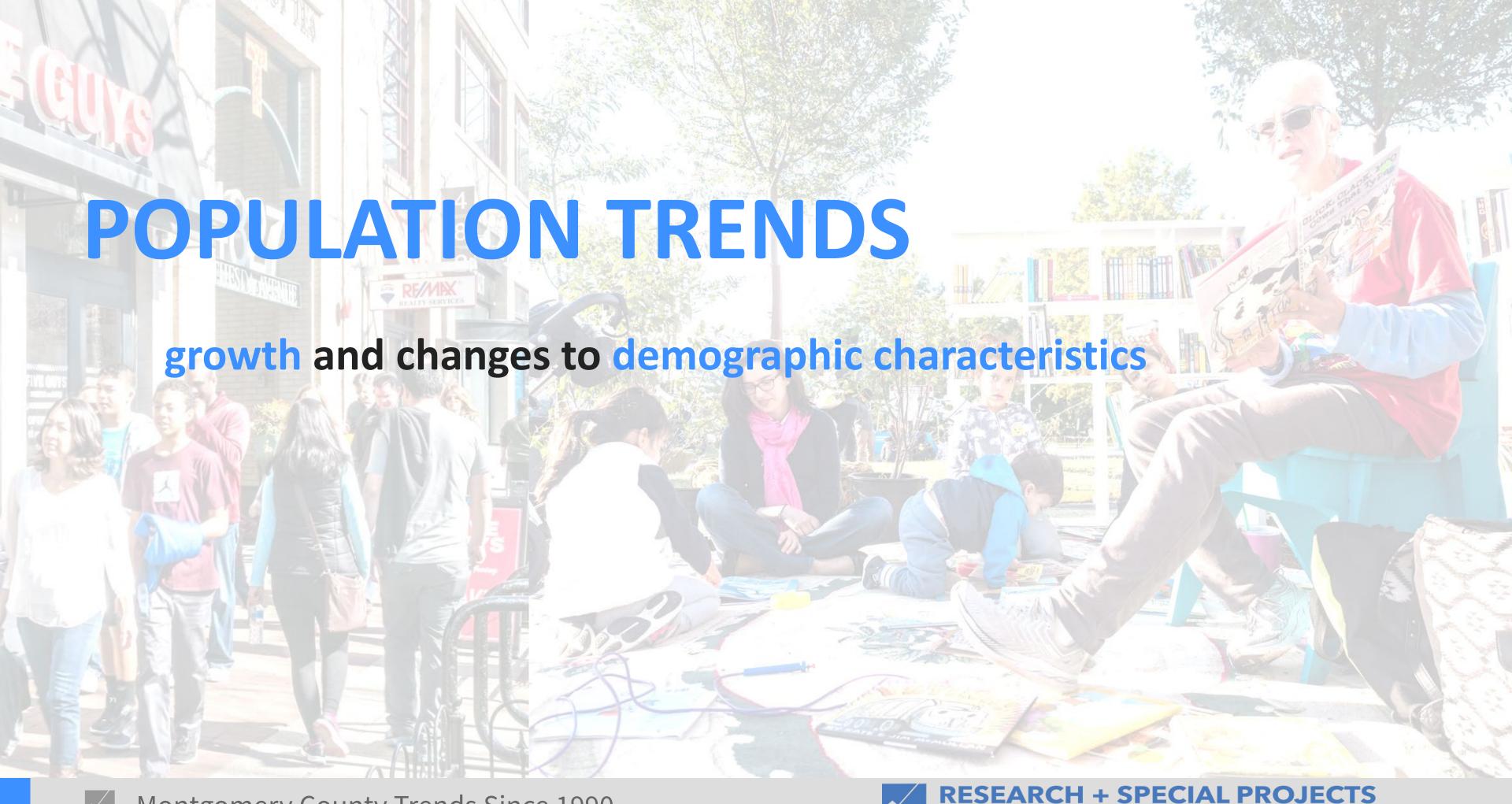


# Goals of the Trends Report

 Provide context for the General Plan update by looking at existing conditions of population, housing and employment

 Answer the question: "What has changed since the 1993 General Plan refinement?"







### Most populous county in Maryland

#### Million-plus population since 2012

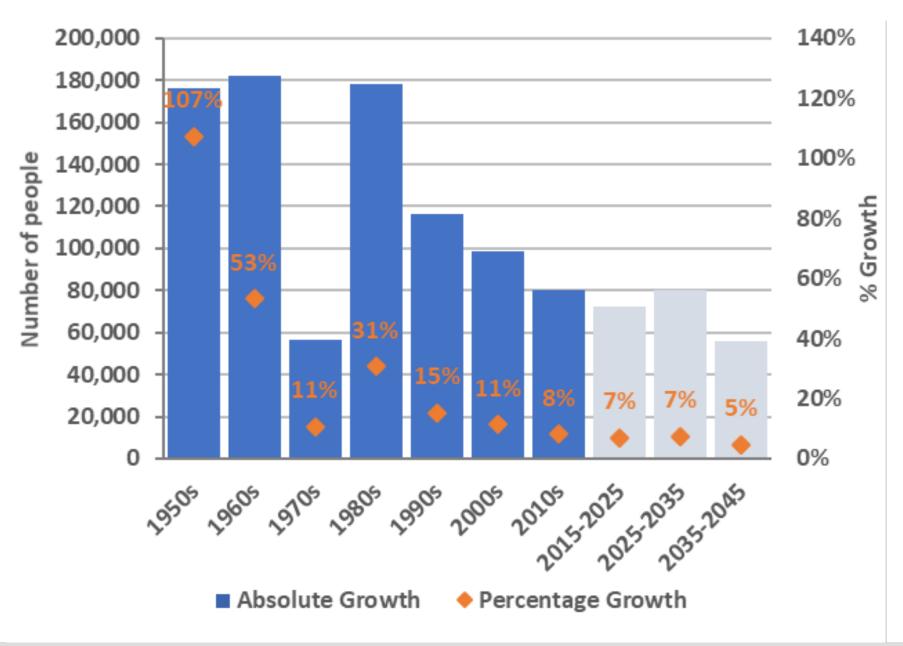
2017: 1,058,800



1990: 765,500 +293,300

38% population increase since 1990

#### Decreasing gain and rate of growth since 1990







### Natural increase and migration are sources of growth & diversity

#### Births drive population growth & diversity

| 2,930 |
|-------|
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\* Deaths <u>-5,330</u>

Average Annual +7,900

Net Change since 1990 +205,400

# International migration offsets typically net domestic out-migration

| G | Domestic Migration | -5,400 |
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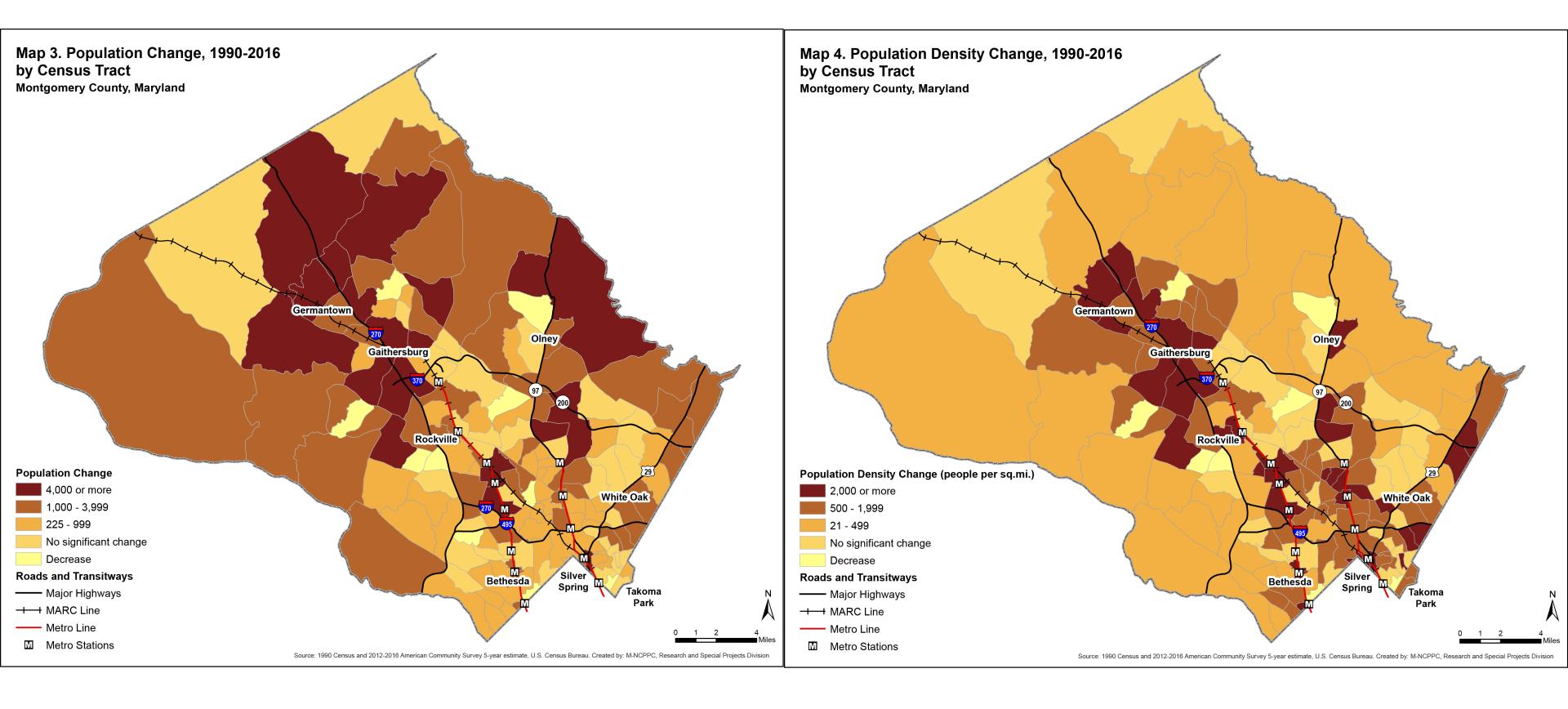


Average Annual +3,330

*Net Change since 1990* +90,000



### Location of population growth from 1990 to 2016







### Immigration has contributed to significant diversity



#### Increasing foreign-born population

2016: 344,645



1990: 141,166 +293,300 (59%)

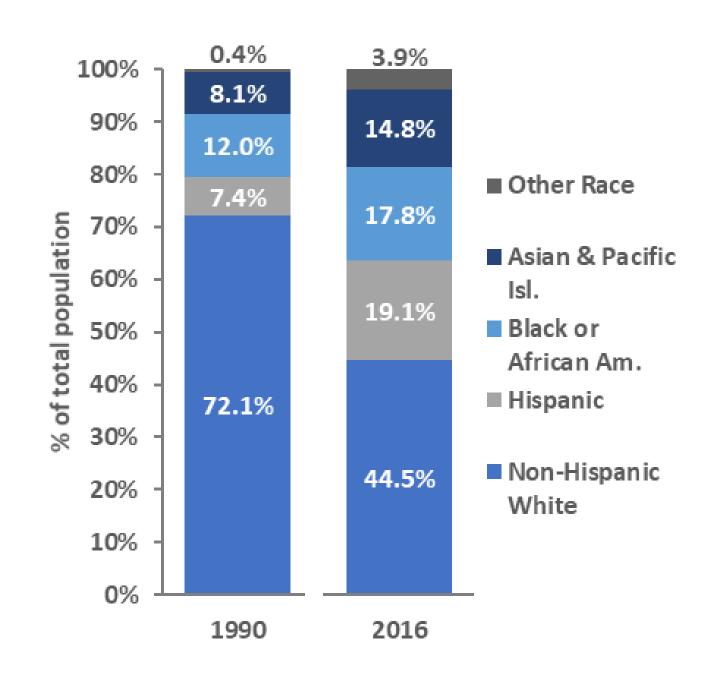
% Up from 19% in 1990 to 33% in 2016



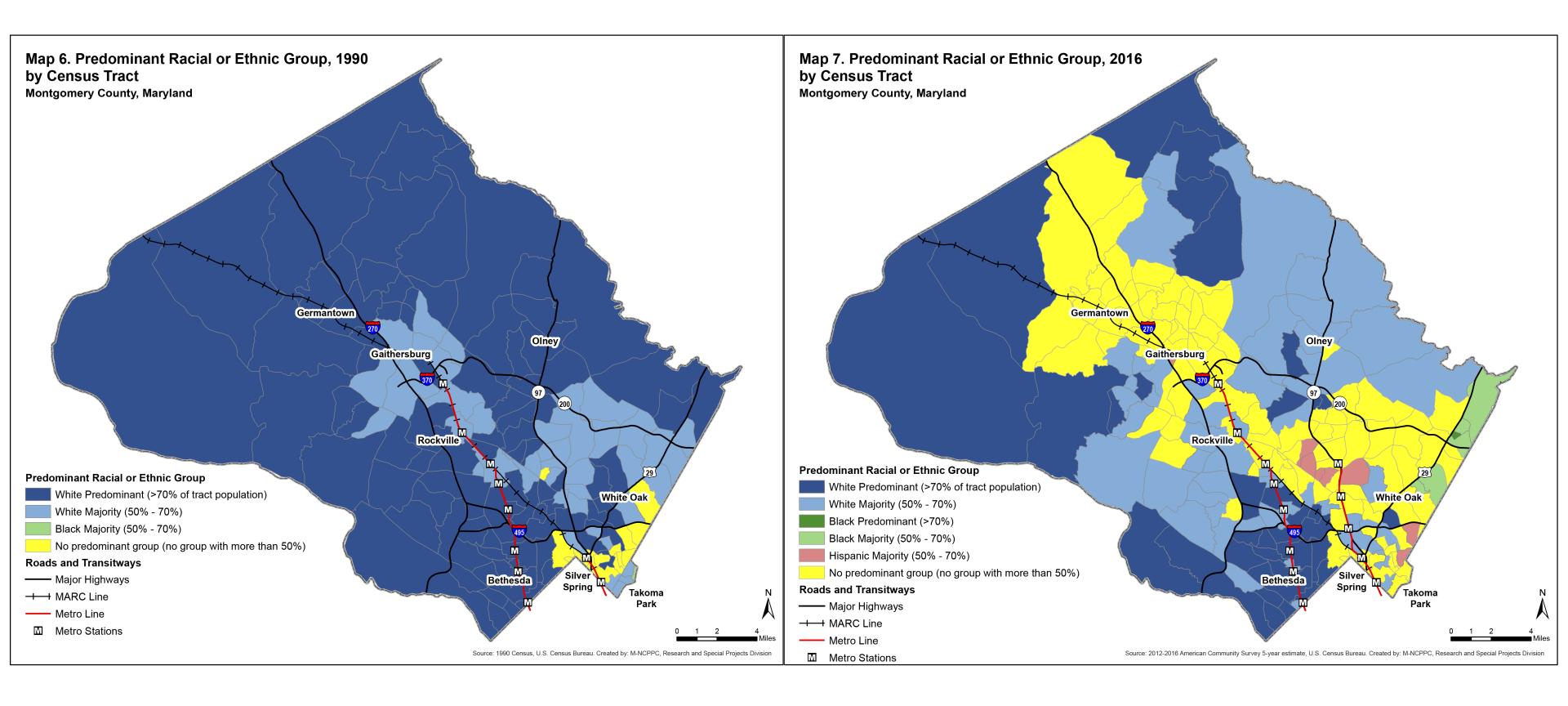
Majority from Latin America (37%) & Asia(37%)



#### **Greater racial & ethnic diversity**



### Racial and ethnic diversity is increasing across the county

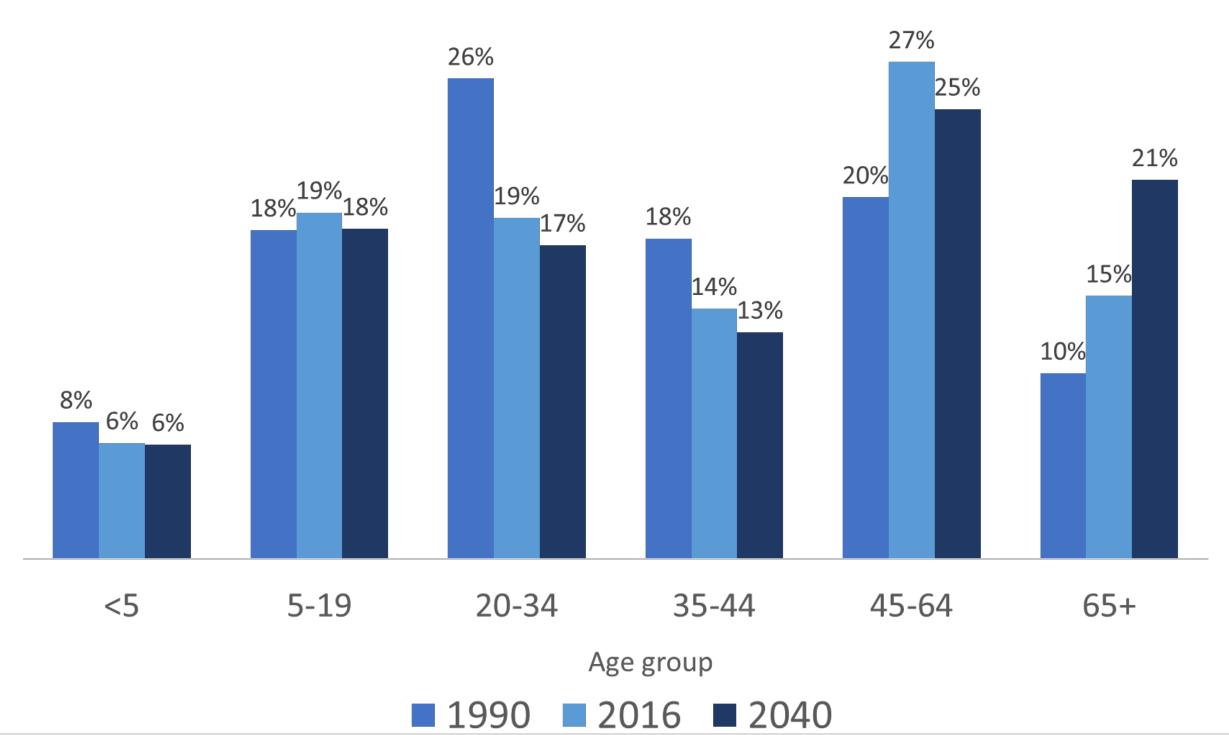






### Increasingly older population

#### Percentage of Population by Age Group

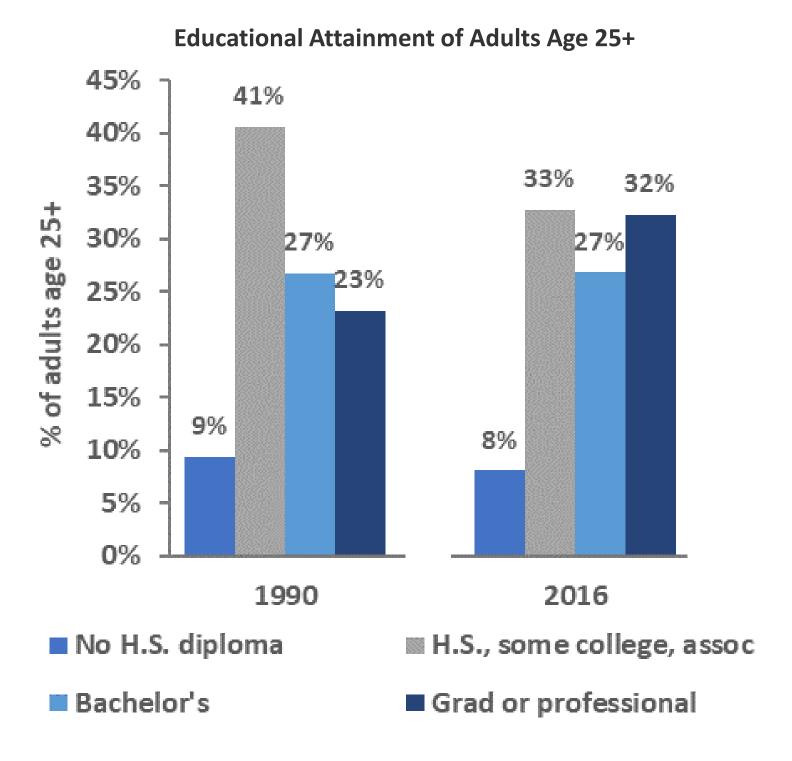


Increased median age from **33.9 years** in 1990 to **39 years** in 2016





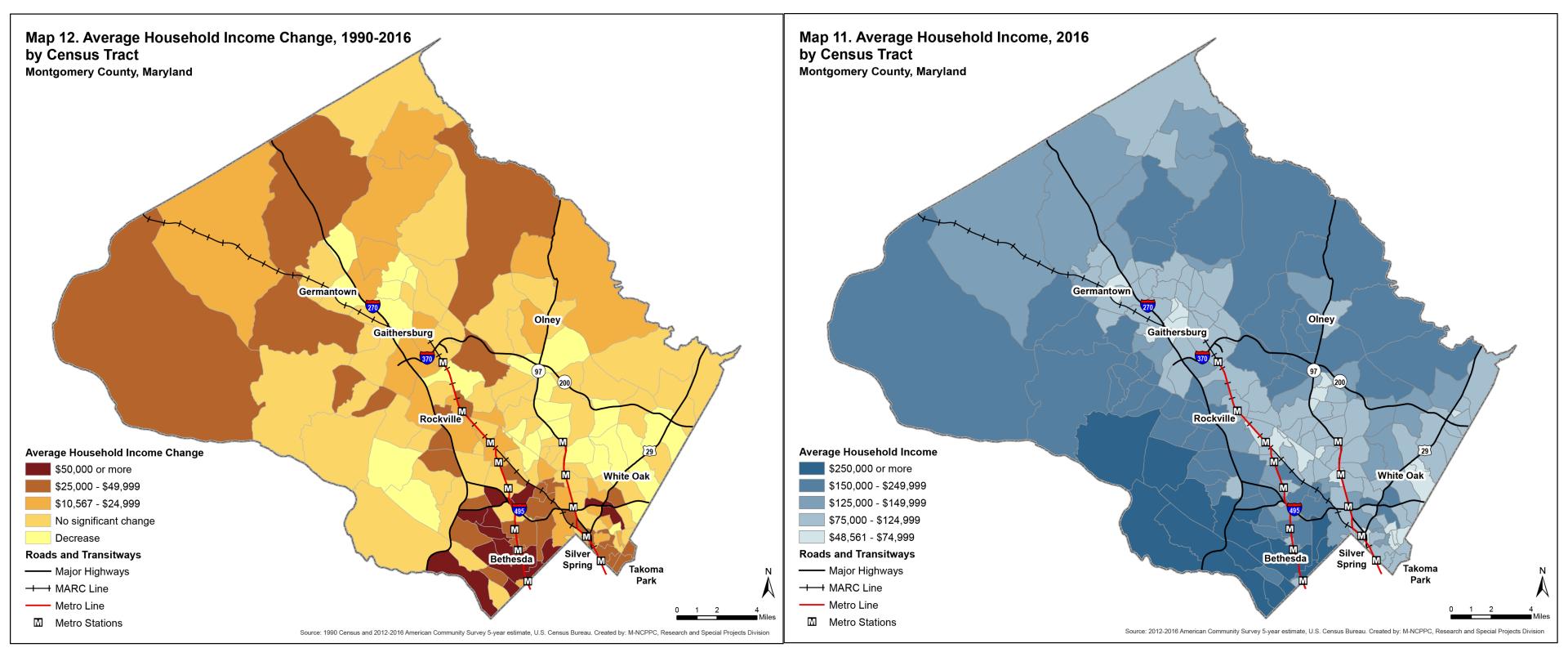
#### Gains in educational attainment



#### Highly educated adult residents:

- 59% have BA degrees compared to 50% in region
- Concentration of advanced degrees 5<sup>th</sup> in US
- High levels of educational attainment correlated with management, business and science jobs and high median income households

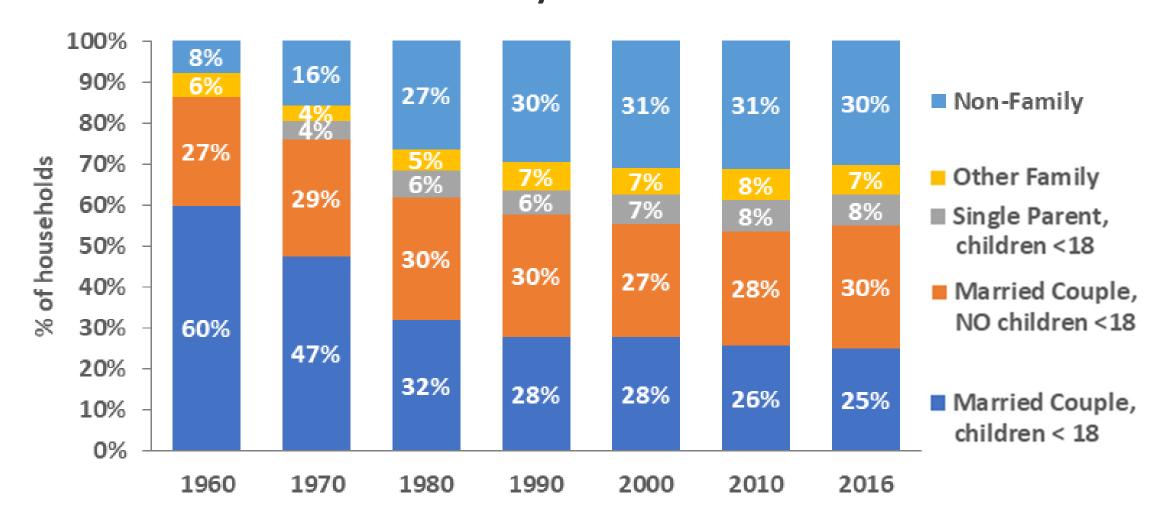
### Change in household income from 1990 to 2016





### Types of households stabilize after 1990

Wider variety of household types since 1960, but distribution relatively stable since 1990



 Non-family households are the most common household type since 2000

- Since 1990, married-couples with children < 18 are less common than:</p>
  - Married-couples with NO children < 18
  - Non-family households

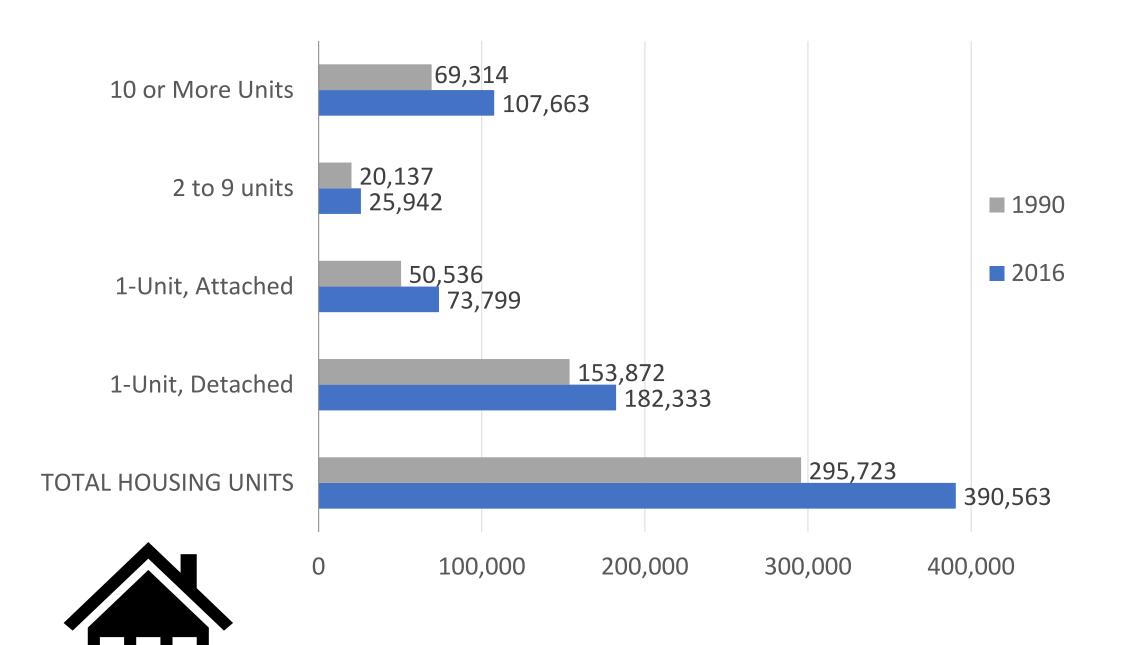






### Growth of multifamily housing outpaced all other types

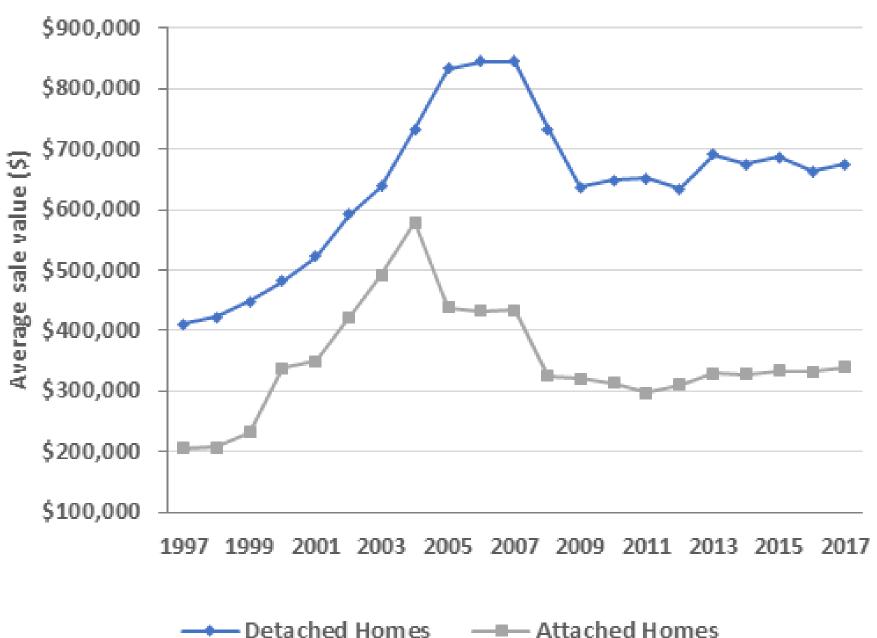
#### Number of housing units by type



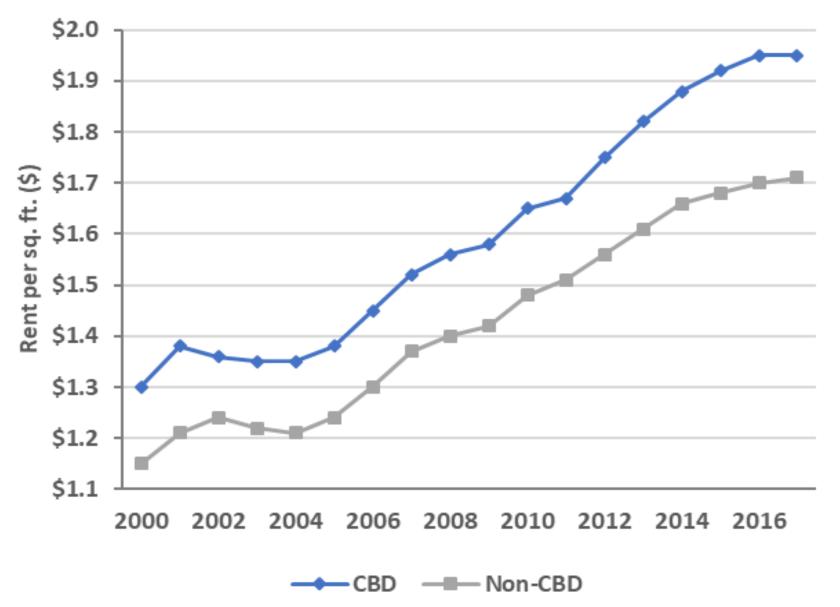
- 32% increase in the number of housing units from 295,723 to 390,563
- 49% increase in the number of multi-family units
- 25% increase in the number of single family units

### Increases in housing values (and costs) have outpaced inflation

#### **Change in Average Sale Value**



#### Change in Average Rent per sq. ft.

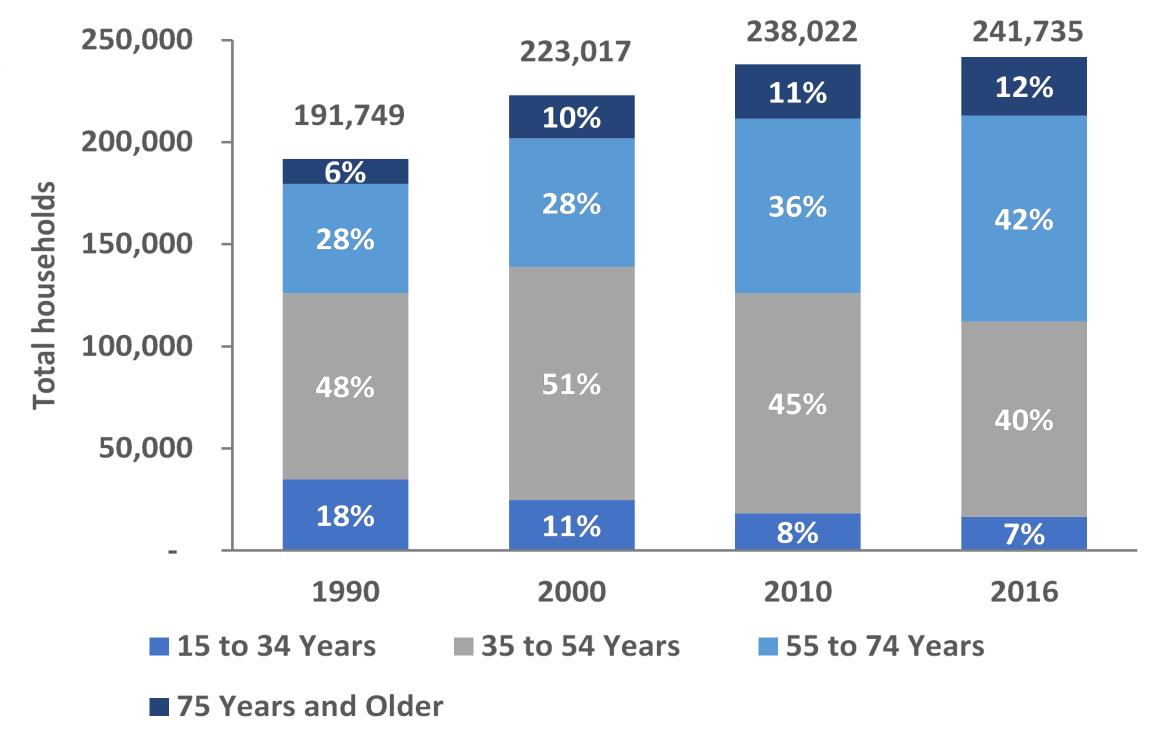






# Increase in the number of older homeowners and decrease in the number of younger homeowners

- Increase in 55+ homeowners
- Decrease in younger homeowners
- Demand shifts:
  - Population changes
  - Affordability
  - Product diversity



Source: 1990-2010 Census, 2016 American Community Survey, 1-year estimate U.S. Census Bureau.





# Conclusion and Next Steps





# Implications for General Plan Update

- Increasing diversity
  - Population
  - Housing
- Aging demographics
- Incomes haven't kept up with costs
- Employment stable, but challenges remain
- Shift from new development to redevelopment

### Process and Timeline

SCOPE OF WORK **VISIONING** PRE-PLANNING **ANALYSIS** July '18- March 2019 March – April 2019 May -- October 2019 June 2019 – March 2020 PUBLIC HEARING **PUBLIC HEARING &** TRANSMITTAL TO **WORKING DRAFT DRAFT WORK SESSIONS COUNTY COUNCIL** April – June 2020 July 2021 July 2020 Sept 2020 – June 2021



## Questions?

#### **THANK YOU!**

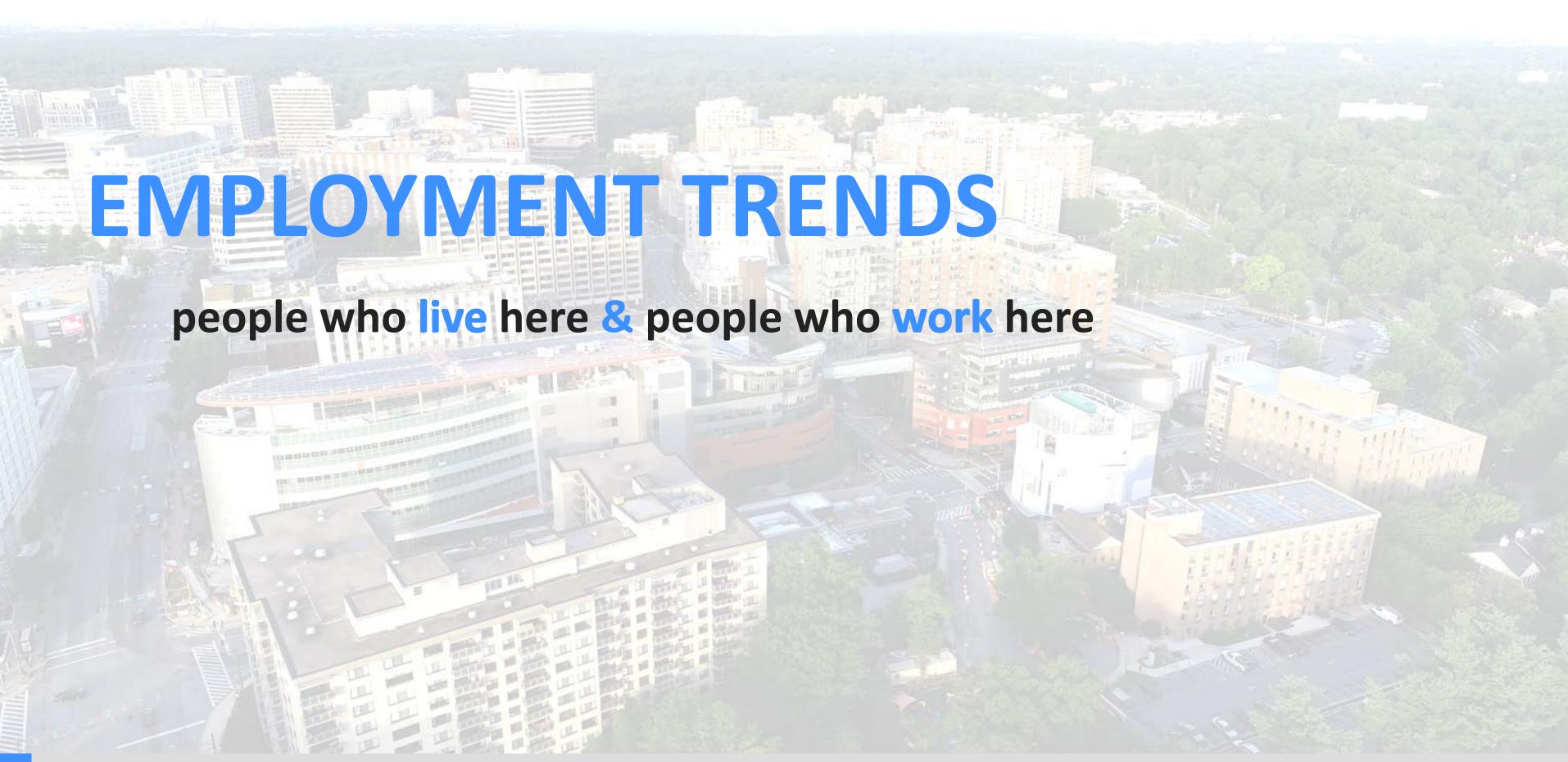
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# Appendix









### A large workforce <u>lives</u> here



Nearly 600,000 in 2016 – 2<sup>nd</sup> largest regionally



Workforce **grew 31%** since 1990



Most (60%) work in the county



Aging residents remain in the workforce

# Sizes of job sectors remained stable



Private sector: 68-73%



Federal government: 13-15%

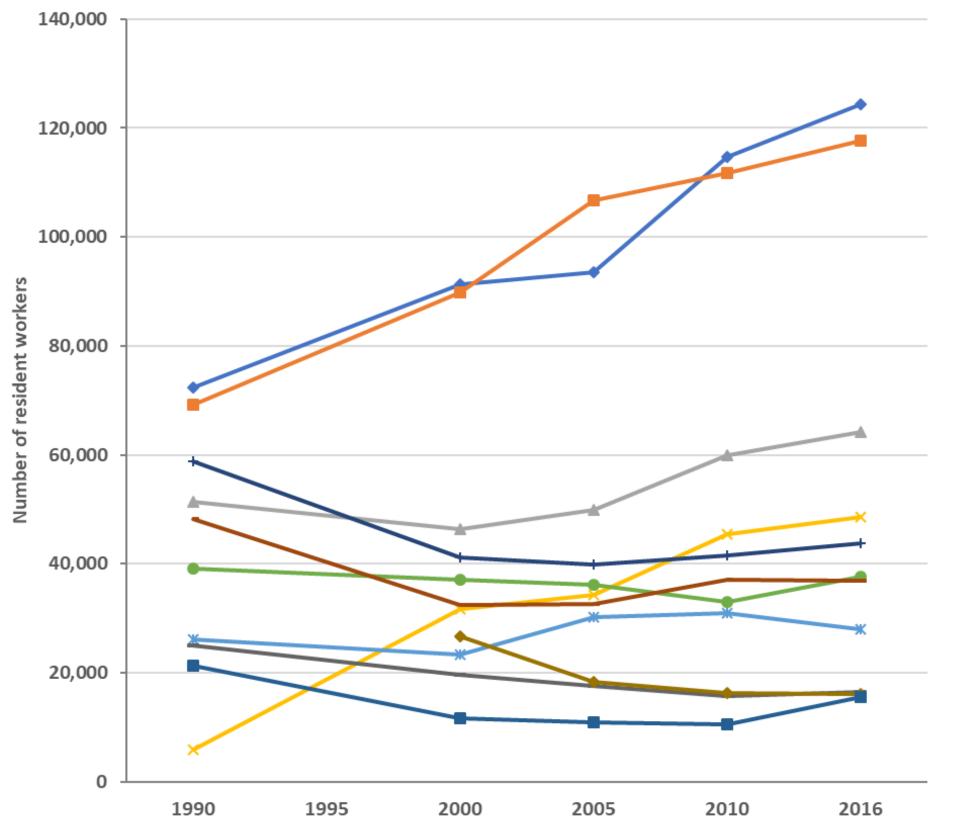


State/local government: 8%



Self-employed: 6-7%

# Two top industries employ 40% of residents



- Educational, health and social services ----- Professional, scientific, management, administrative, and waste management services Public administration accommodation and food services Retail trade ---- Finance, insurance, real estate, and rental and leasing Other services (except public administration) Construction
  - ---- Manufacturing
- **→**Information
- Transportation and warehousing, and utilities



# Commuters are still primarily drivers



65% drive to work alone ( 3 points)





Commutes are 35 min on average ( 6 min)

# More than 460,000 jobs are located in the county

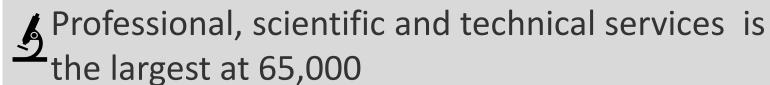
The sizes of the sectors have remained stable over time



81% Private sector



10% Federal government



Health care and social assistance grew the fastest at 111%

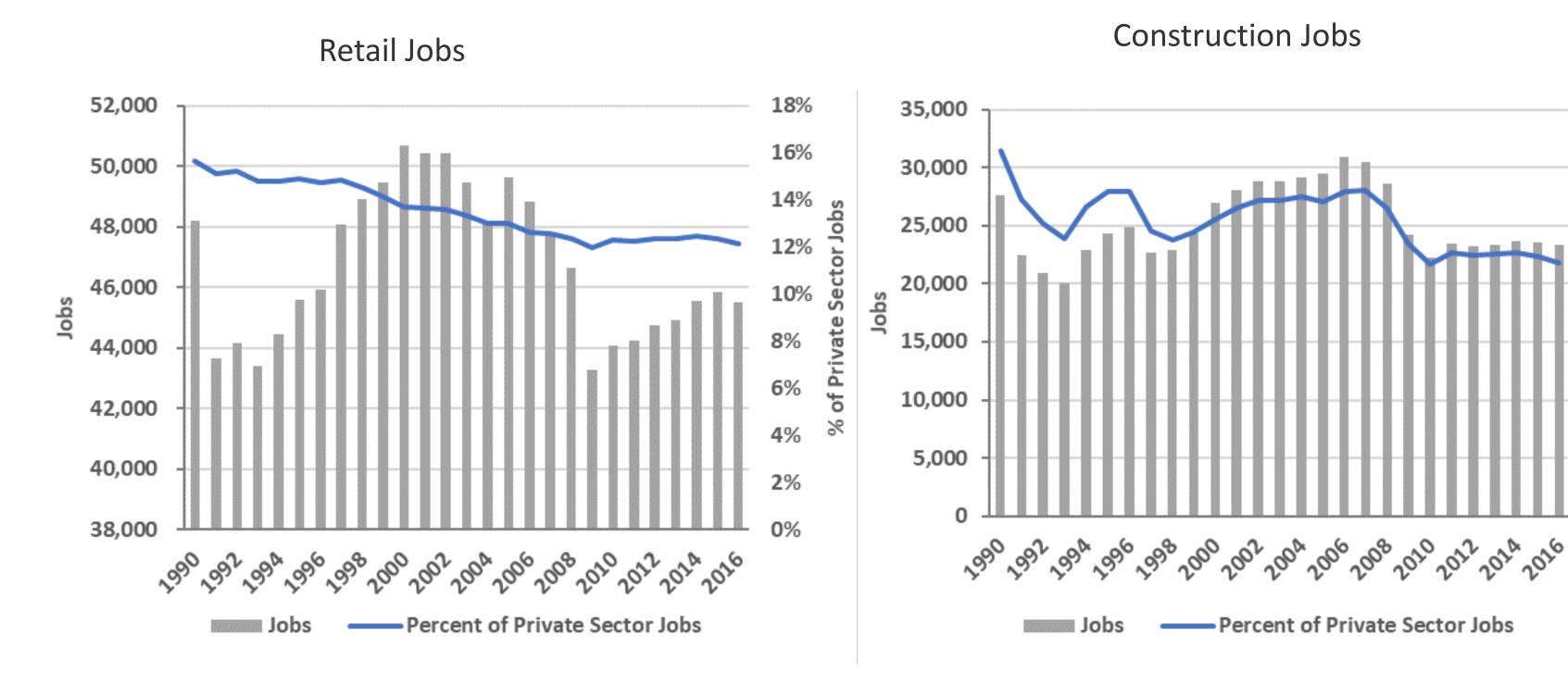


9% Local government





# Retail and construction jobs are declining







10%

9%

8%

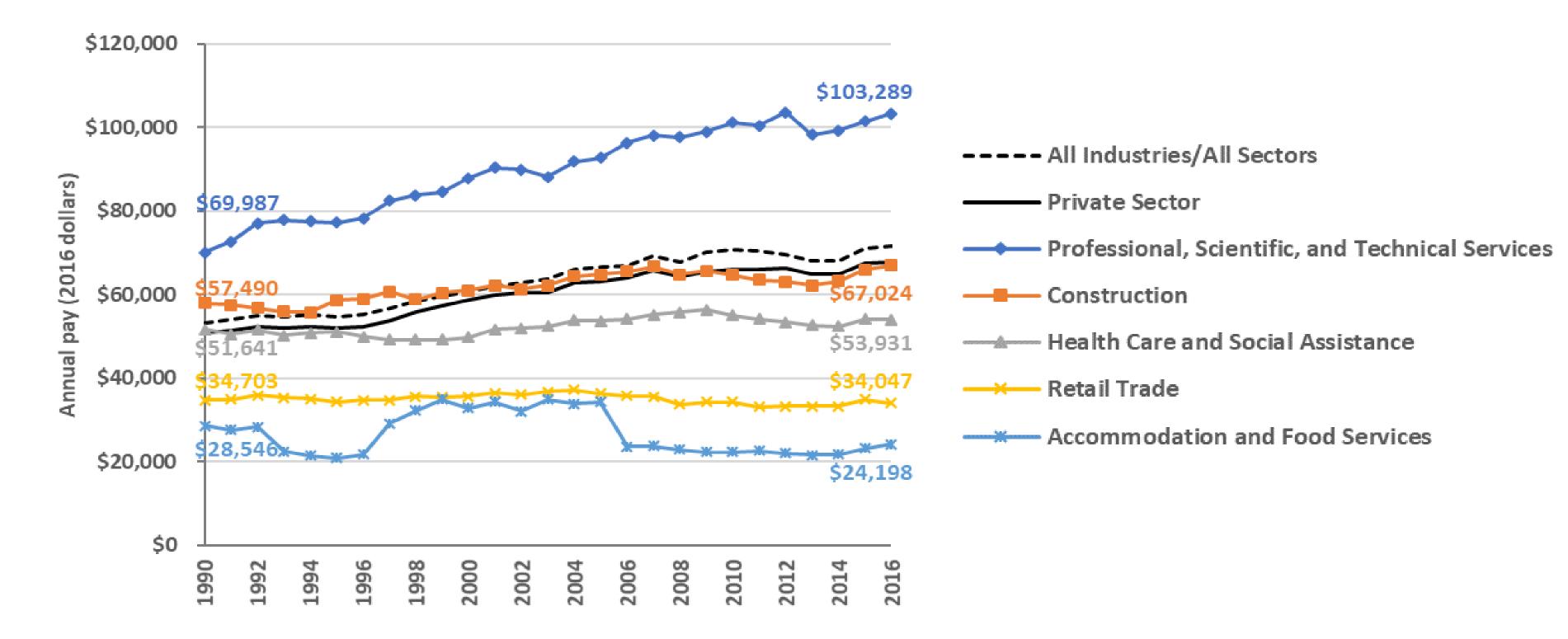
6%

2%

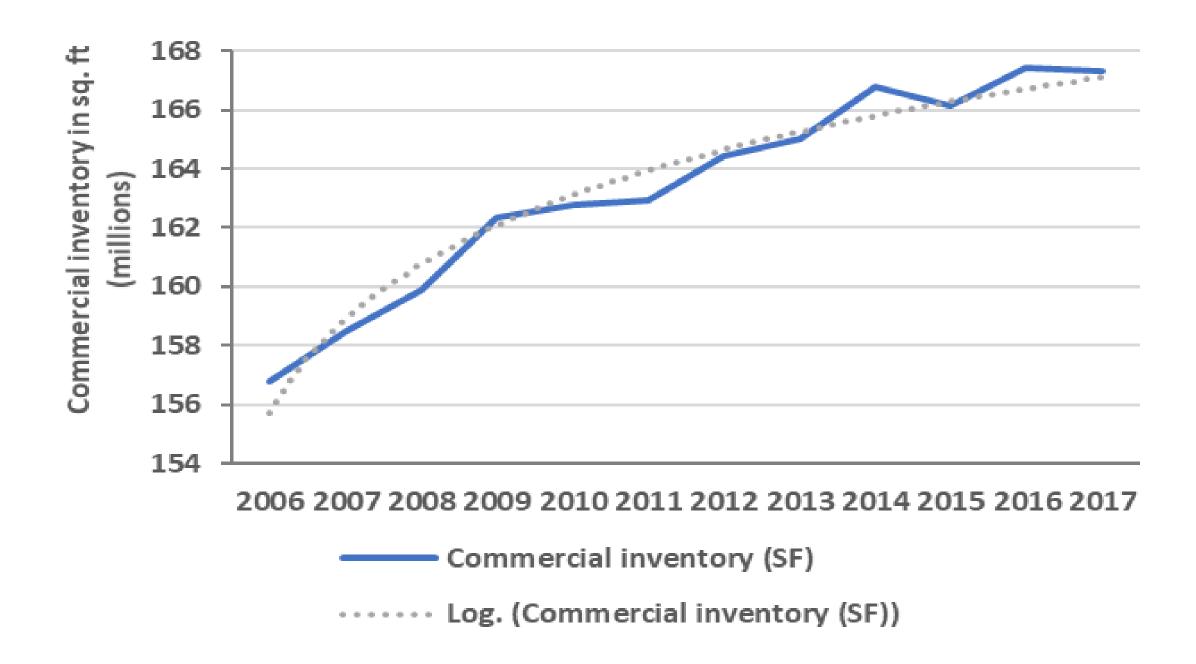
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of Private Sector Jobs

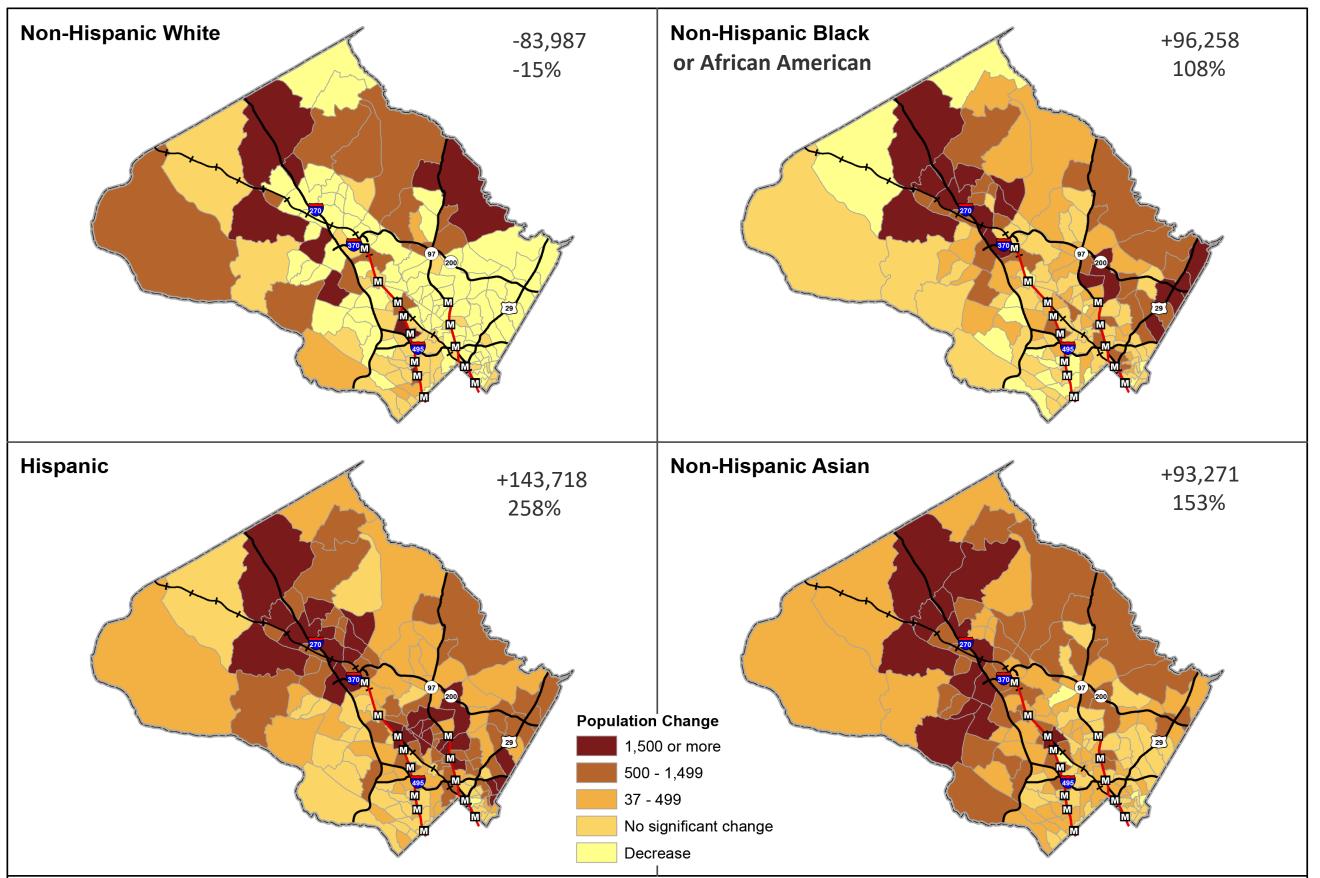
### Private sector: professional services wages grew most



# 22 M SF of commercial space added since 1990, but rate of growth has slowed down



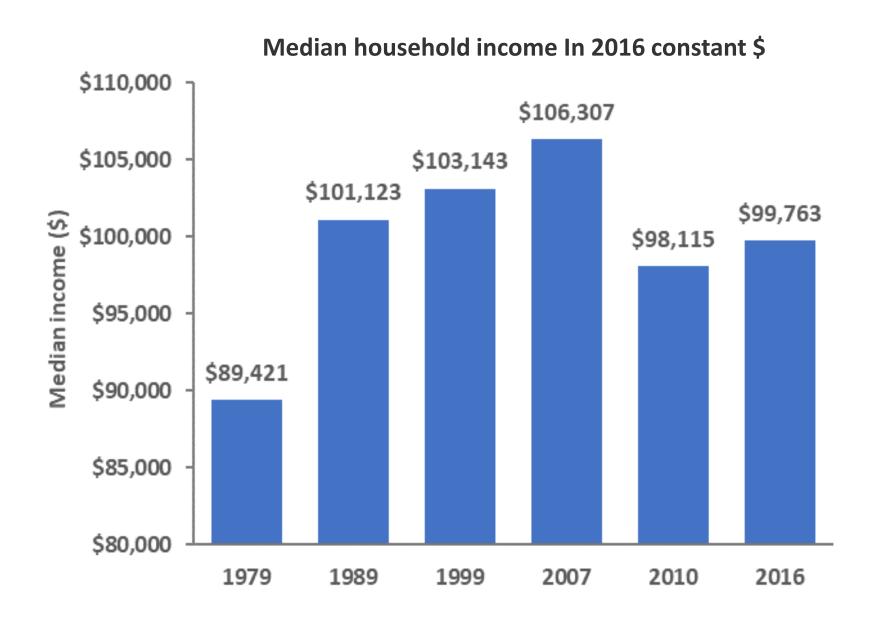
### Location of Racial and Ethnic Changes from 1990 to 2016





Map 5

### Household income lost ground after peaking in 2007



- 2016 median income ranks 17<sup>th</sup> among counties across the nation
- 1989 and 2016 median household incomes are within the margin or error
- Median household income has not regained lost income after peaking before the 2007-2009 recession
- Incomes in Howard, Fairfax, and Alexandria are also down 4% to 6% since 2007

Housing unit teardowns concentrated down-county and

primarily single-family

- **4,400** demolition permits issued for single-family homes since 1990
- 150 teardowns per year, on average
- 6 multi-family buildings were torn down or redeveloped since 1990
  - 756 units were demolished
  - 1,784 units added
  - 1,028 net new units yielded from redevelopment

