

## Minnesota's Evolving Population

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## **Topics**

Where Change in the State was seen in 2020

How Populations Change and What Minnesota Can Expect

Data from the Migration Report

Trends Relevant to within-State Regional Differences



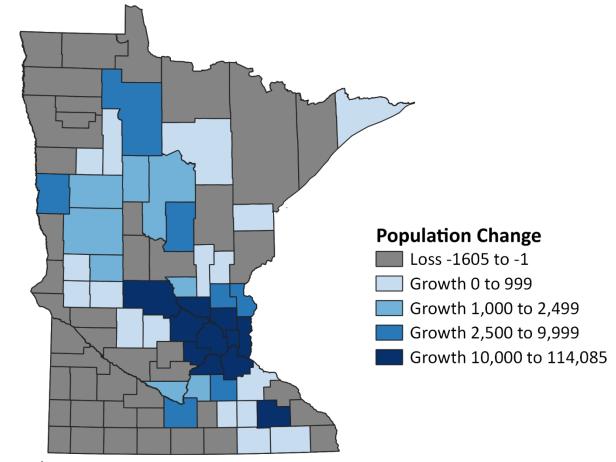
Where is the State's Population Growing and Shrinking?

### **Growth in Minnesota Counties**

Nearly three-quarters (74.4%) of the growth between the censuses occurred in the seven-county metro

Hennepin, Ramsey, and Dakota Counties grew by a combined 185,217 residents

Wright, Olmsted, and Stearns Counties round out the top ten for county growth over the decade



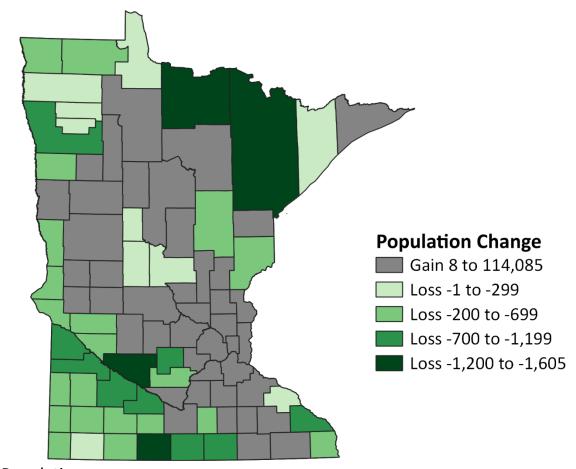
Source: 2010 and 2020 Census of Housing and Population

## Population Decline in Minnesota Counties

Koochiching, Renville, Martin, and St. Louis Counties each lost in excess of 1,200 residents

The average loss for these counties was 543

The average loss was just over four percent over the decade



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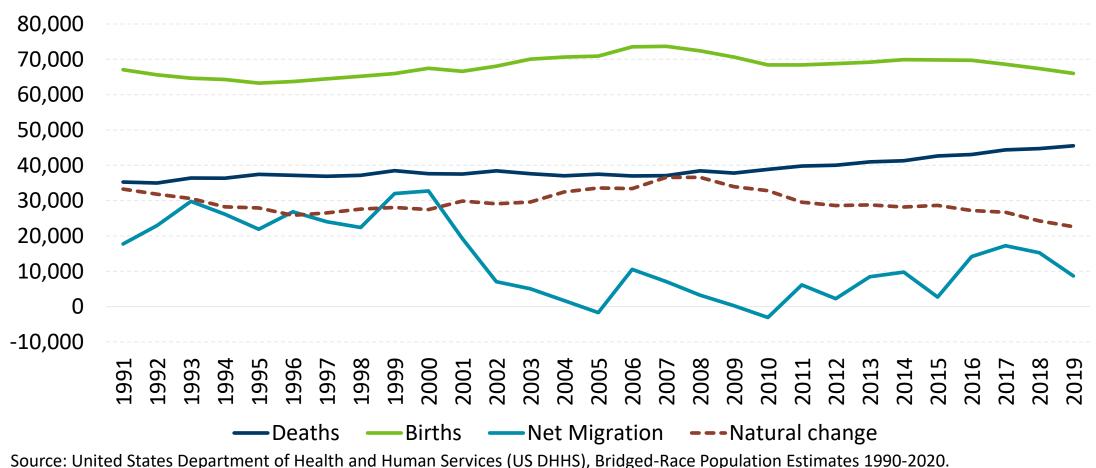


# **Population Change**

# How Populations Change

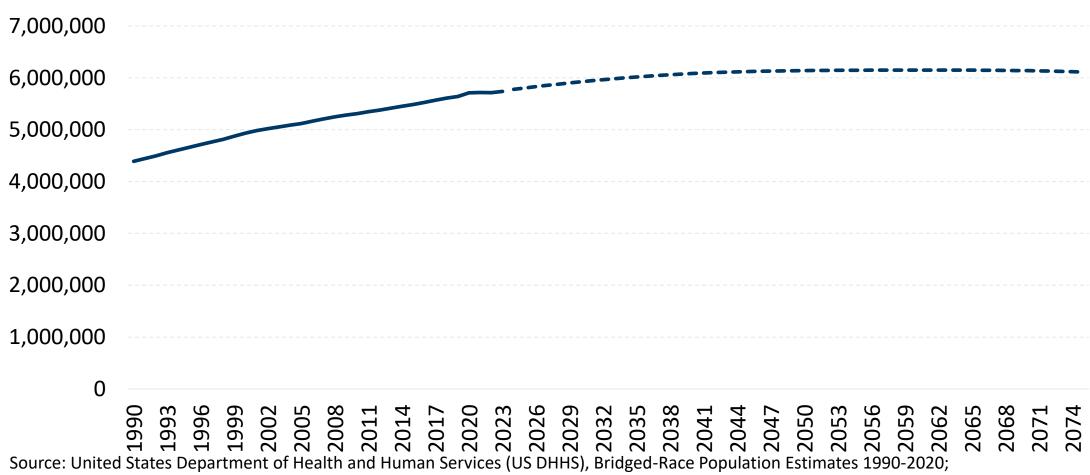
- There are only three things that affect a population size over time:
  - Births
  - Deaths
  - Migration

# Minnesota's Components of Population Change

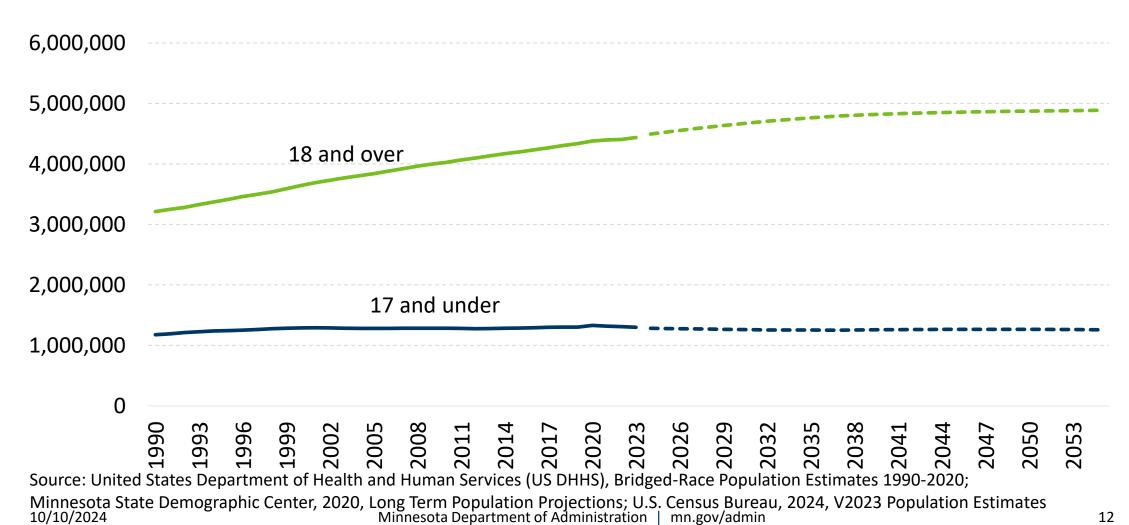


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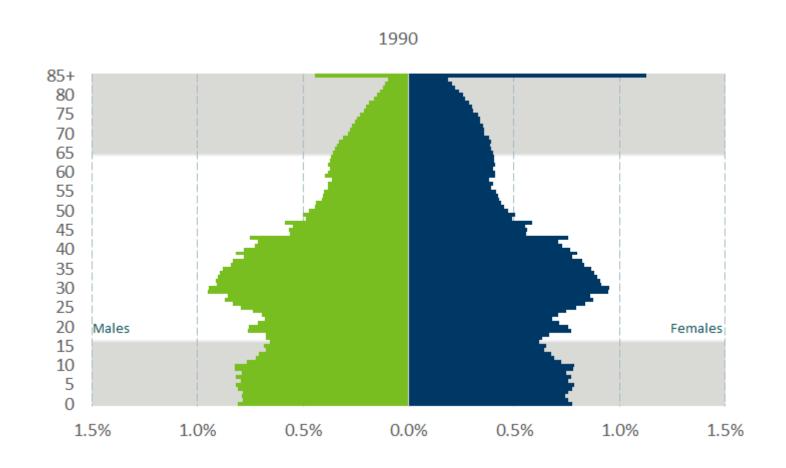
## Minnesota's Population: Long-term Projection



### Minnesota's Population: Past, Present, and Future

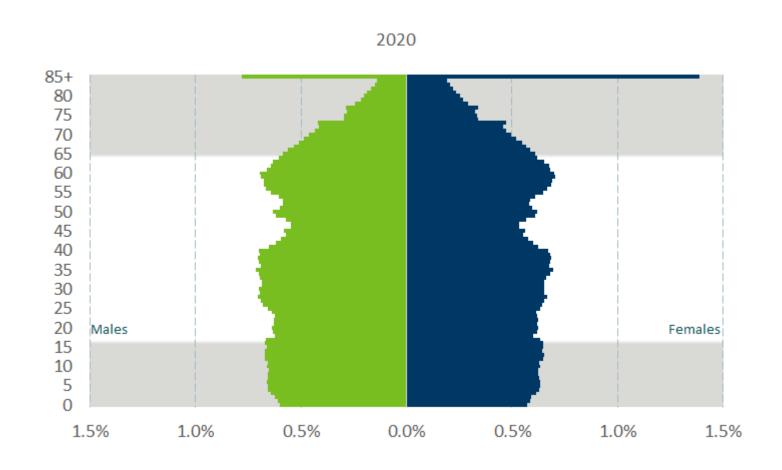


## Minnesota's Changing Population Structure



Source: United States Department of Health and Human Services (US DHHS), Bridged-Race Population Estimates 1990-2020.

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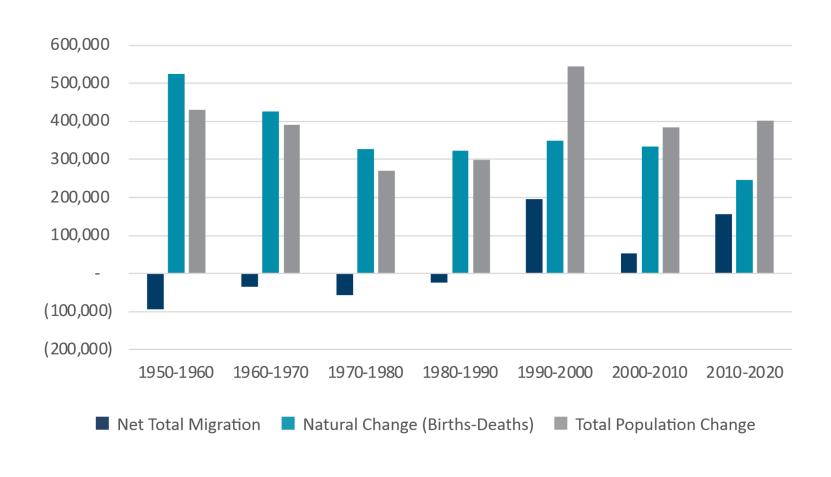


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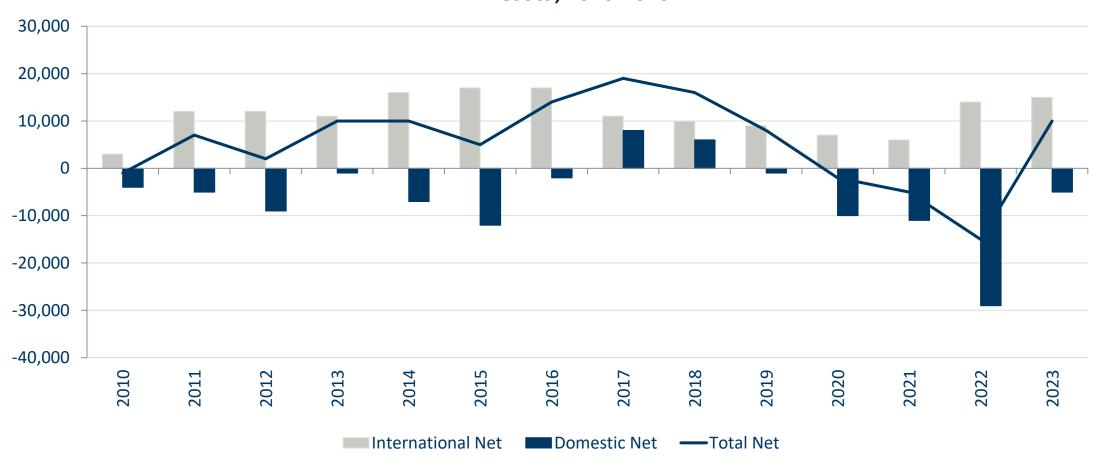
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# Contribution to Population Change



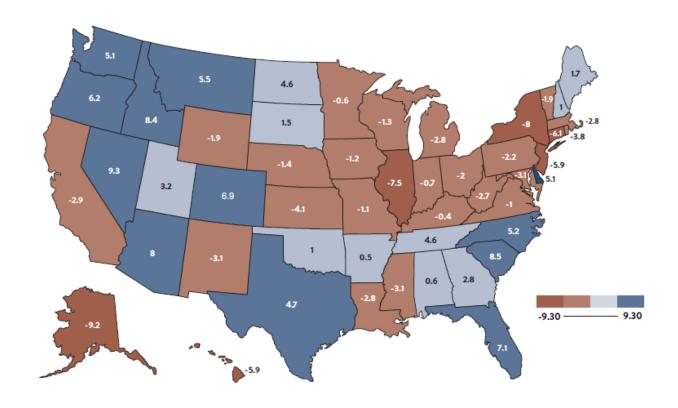
# Minnesota Net Migration and Components





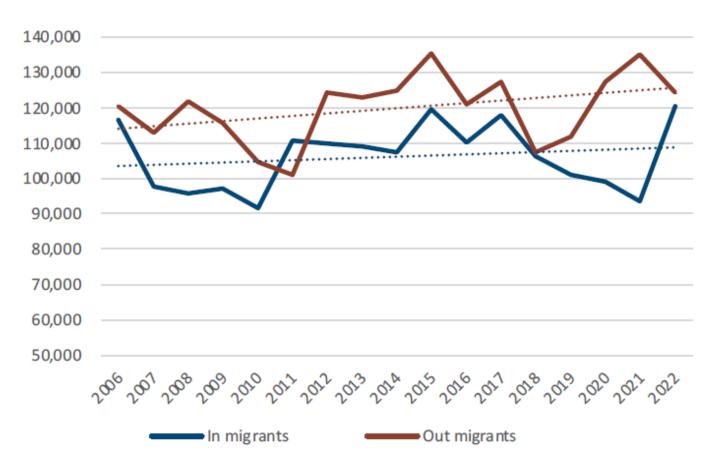
# Regional Patterns are Evident

#### **Average Annual Rate of Net Domestic Migration (Per 1,000 Residents) 2011-2020**



# In a typical year, more than 100,000 U.S. residents move into and out of Minnesota

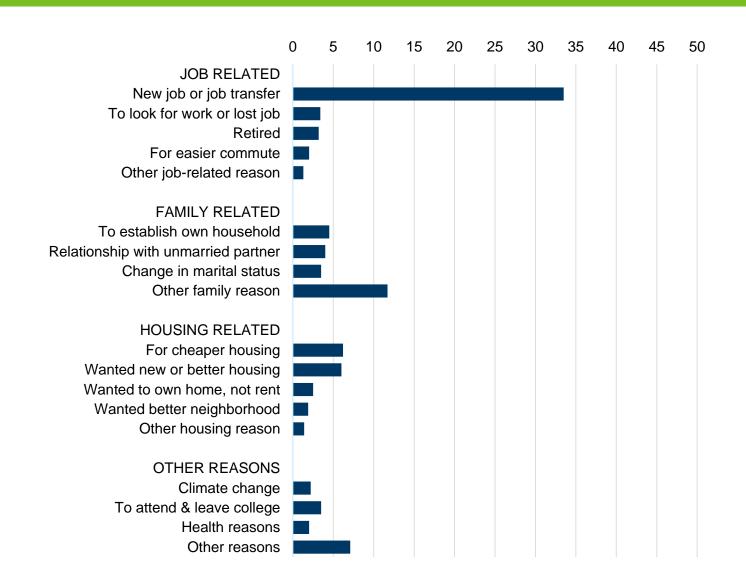
#### **Annual In-Migration and Out-Migration, Minnesota, 2006-2022**



# Recent Research on Taxes and Migration

- Henrik Kleven and his colleagues (2020) conducted a meta-analysis of the existing research looking at the impact of personal income taxes on migration. Twelve empirical studies were reviewed. Of those, four used U.S. data.
- The authors conclude that specific types of people—millionaires and top inventors—do appear to
  make migration decisions based on personal income taxes. However, to-date, there is no
  systematic evidence that this is the case for the broader population. In addition, little is known about
  how people weigh their tax burden against the availability of amenities and services available in
  different locations when making the decision to move.
- In sum, empirical research neither supports nor refutes the idea that tax policy drives a substantial amount of interstate migration for a state like Minnesota.

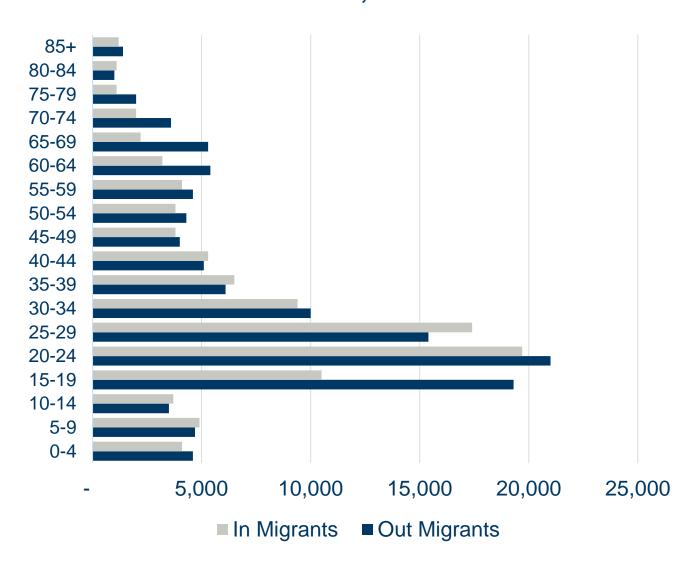
# Nationally, the top reasons for moving are jobs, family, and housing.



### Reasons for a Recent Interstate Move U.S., 2023

Source: ipums.org from U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Survey

# In- and Out-Migrants by Age Minnesota, 2018-2022



Young people are more likely to migrate than older people, with the greatest net losses occurring among college students.

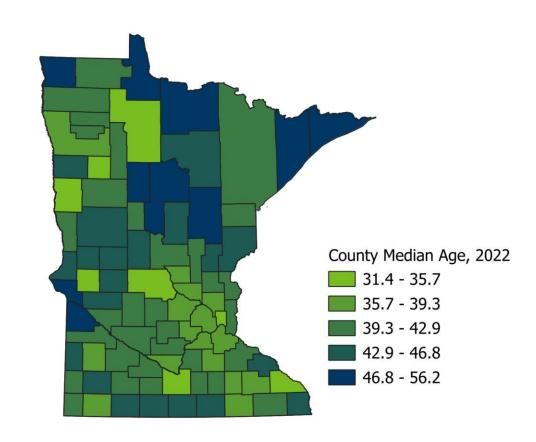
# Take Aways and a Look Ahead

- The importance of migration to Minnesota will continue to increase as slower population growth takes hold.
- Minnesota's migration patterns cannot be fully explained by Minnesota itself. There is no single
  explanation that captures the complexity of statewide migration patterns.
- Migration patterns are driven by young people. Policies designed to reach young adults as they
  make important life decisions could make a greater impact than policies taking a more blanketed
  approach to all possible movers.
- Migration patterns would need to change significantly if they are to solve the labor force shortages that have developed in recent years.



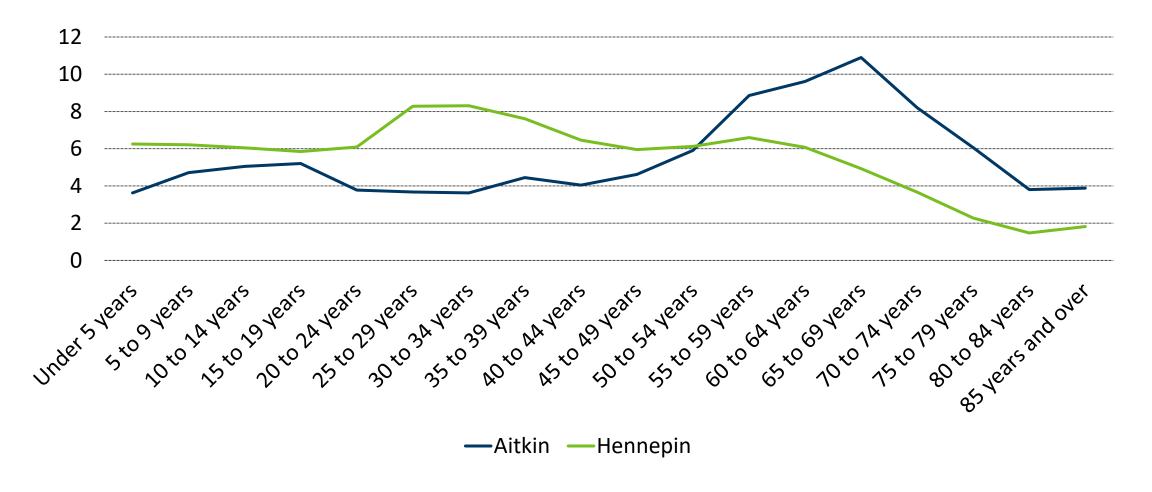
Some Trends Relevant to the Conversation Regional Differences

# County Median Age

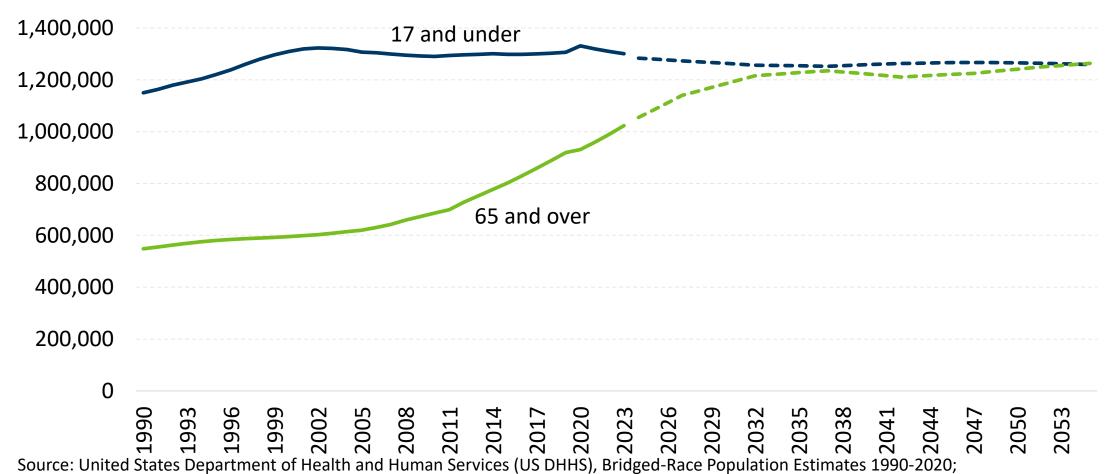


Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2022 American Community Survey 5-year Estimates

## Age Structure of County Extremes



# Minnesota's 65+ Population is Approaching Parity with Children



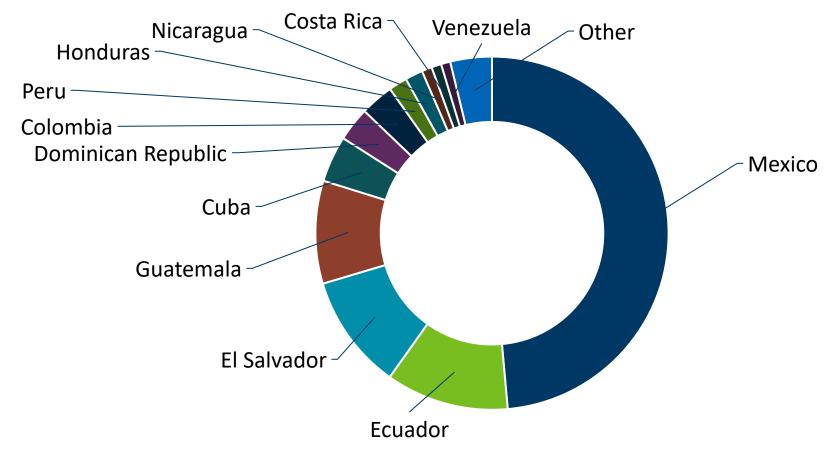
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# Top 10 Sending Countries for Foreign Born Minnesotans

Country	Minnesota Population
Mexico	53,504
Somalia	38,650
India	32,440
Ethiopia	32,353
Thailand	27,567
China	25,073
Laos	23,676
Vietnam	19,306
Canada	18,055
Germany	15,763

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2021 American Community Survey 1-year Public Use Microdata Sample (PUMS).

### Place of Birth of Foreign-born Hispanic/Latino Minnesotans



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2021 American Community Survey 1-year Public Use Microdata Sample (PUMS).



# Thank you again!

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