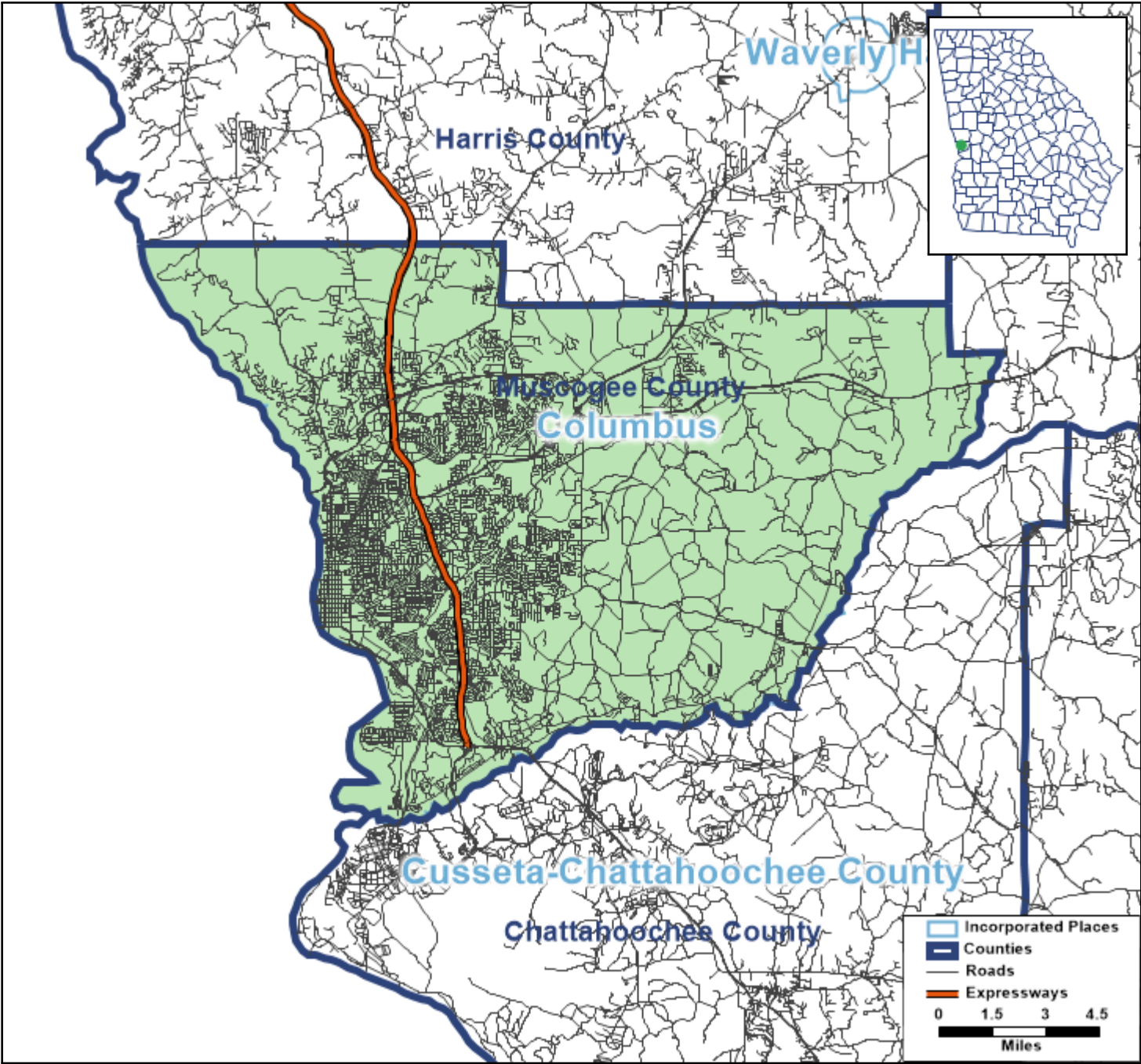# Columbus: 2023 GMA Member City Data Profile

This document presents a concise profile of Columbus based on the following three topic areas:

Demographic and Social Data

- Population
- Race and Ethnicity
- Age
- Household Type
- Citizenship
- Educational Attainment

Economic Data

- Labor Force Participation and Employment
- Industry
- Household Income
- Poverty
- Broadband Internet
- Health Insurance

Housing Data

- Occupancy
- Tenure and Mortgage Status
- Median Housing Costs
- Housing Cost-Burdened Households
- Vehicles Available
- Year Structure Built

All data in this profile reflect municipal boundaries as of January 1, 2021. Population totals are from the Census Bureau's City Population Estimates program, 2022 vintage; all other data come the from the Census Bureau's 2021 American Community Survey 5-year estimates. Please note that percents may not sum to 100% due to rounding.

Questions? Please contact Claire Chan, GMA Research Analyst, at cchan@gacities.com.
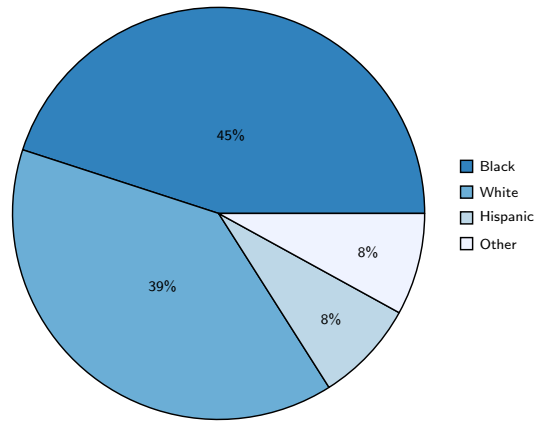
Columbus: Demographic and Social
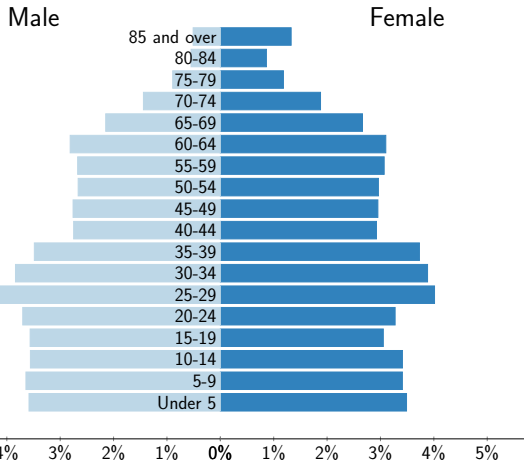
Population

2022 Population: 202,616
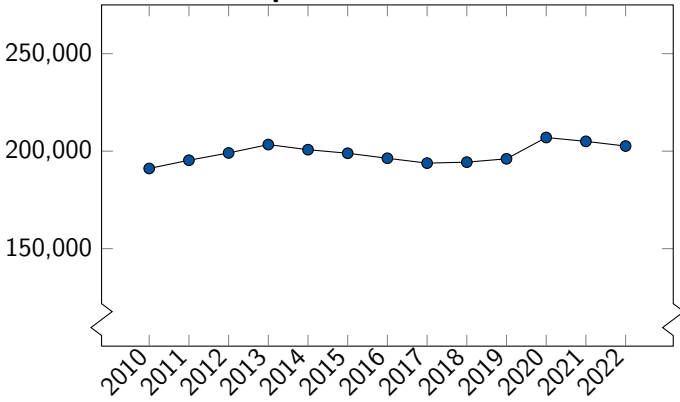
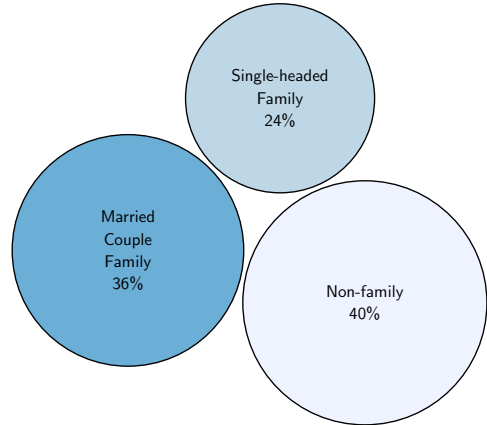Source: U.S. Census Bureau, City Population Estimates, 2022 vintage

Race and Ethnicity

- Black 45%
- White 39%
- Hispanic 8%
- Other 8%

Source: American Community Survey, 2021 5-year estimates, table B03002

Age

Male   Female

85 and over
80-84
75-79
70-74
65-69
60-64
55-59
50-54
45-49
40-44
35-39
30-34
25-29
20-24
15-19
10-14
5-9
Under 5

5% 4% 3% 2% 1% 0% 1% 2% 3% 4% 5%

Source: American Community Survey, 2021 5-year estimates, table B01001

Household Type

- Single-headed Family 24%
- Married Couple Family 36%
- Non-family 40%

Source: American Community Survey, 2021 5-year estimates, table B11001

Citizenship

- Not Citizen 2%
- Native Born 95%
- Naturalized 3%
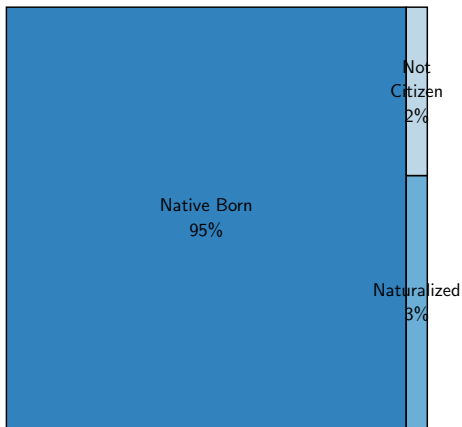
Source: American Community Survey, 2021 5-year estimates, table B05002

Educational Attainment

Columbus: 12%, 28%
River Valley RC: 14%, 24%
Georgia: 12%, 33%
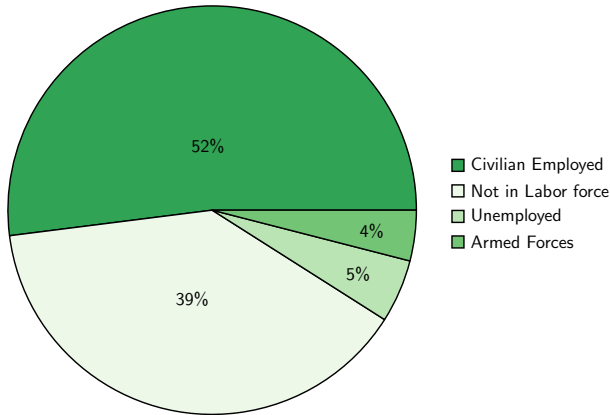
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BA or higher   Less than HS
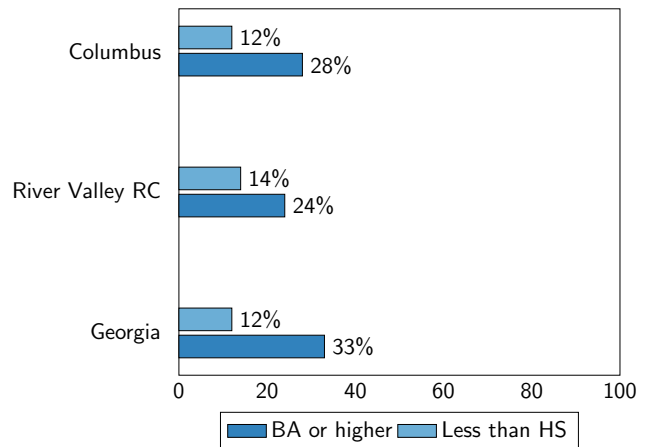
Source: American Community Survey, 2021 5-year estimates, table B15002

Columbus: Economic

Labor Force Participation and Employment

Unemployment Rate: 8.0%†

- 52% — Civilian Employed
- 39% — Not in Labor force
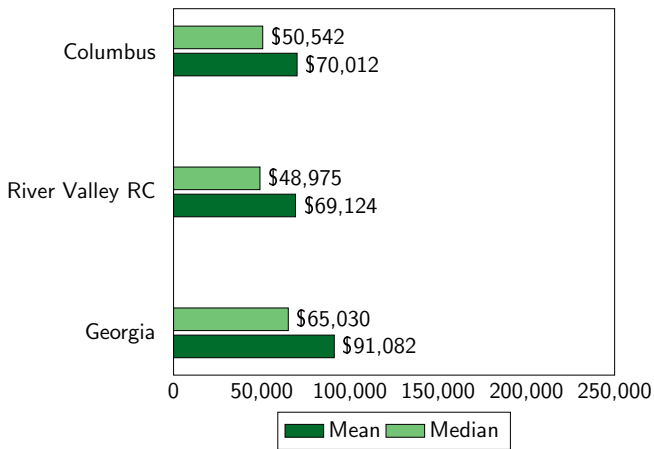- 5% — Unemployed
- 4% — Armed Forces

Source: American Community Survey, 2021 5-year estimates, table B23001
†**Note:** Unemployment rate is based upon the civilian labor force.

Industry

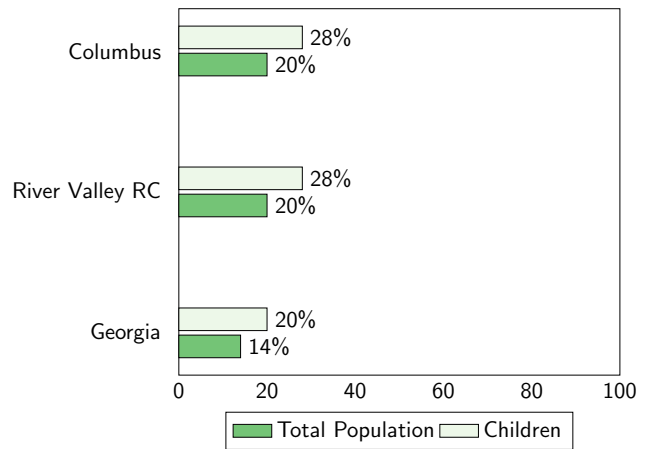| Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting, and mining	1%
Construction	5%
Manufacturing	10%
Wholesale Trade	1%
Retail Trade	12%
Transportation and warehousing, and utilities	5%
Information	2%
Finance and insurance, real estate, rental, leasing	11%
Professional, scientific, mgt, administrative, waste mgt	9%
Educational services, and health care and social assistance	24%
Arts, entertainment, recreation, accommodation, food service	11%
Other services, except public administration	5%
Public administration	6%

Source: American Community Survey, 2021 5-year estimates, table C24030
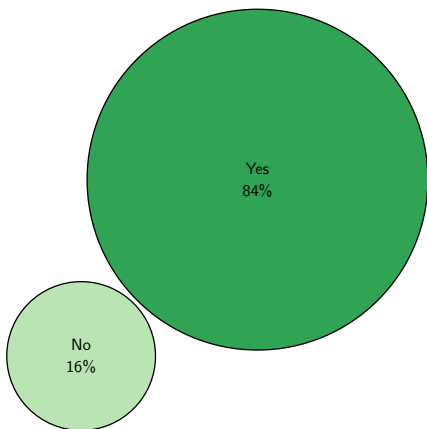
Household Income

- Columbus: $50,542 (Median), $70,012 (Mean)
- River Valley RC: $48,975 (Median), $69,124 (Mean)
- Georgia: $65,030 (Median), $91,082 (Mean)

Source: American Community Survey, 2021 5-year estimates, tables B19013 and B19025

Poverty

- Columbus: 28% (Children), 20% (Total Population)
- River Valley RC: 28% (Children), 20% (Total Population)
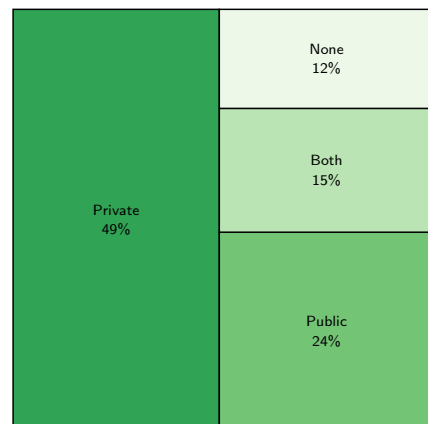- Georgia: 20% (Children), 14% (Total Population)

Source: American Community Survey, 2021 5-year estimates, table B17010

Broadband Internet

- Yes 84%
- No 16%

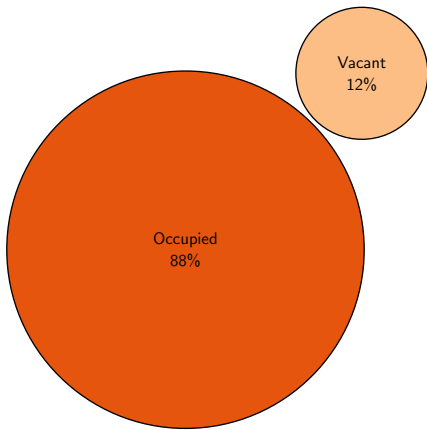Source: American Community Survey, 2021 5-year estimates, table B28002

Health Insurance

- Private 49%
- None 12%
- Both 15%
- Public 24%

Source: American Community Survey, 2021 5-year estimates, table B18135

Columbus: Housing

Occupancy

Vacant
12%

Occupied
88%

Source: American Community Survey, 2021 5-year estimates, table B25002

Tenure and Mortgage Status

Owner without Mortgage
18%

Renter
51%

Owner with Mortgage
30%
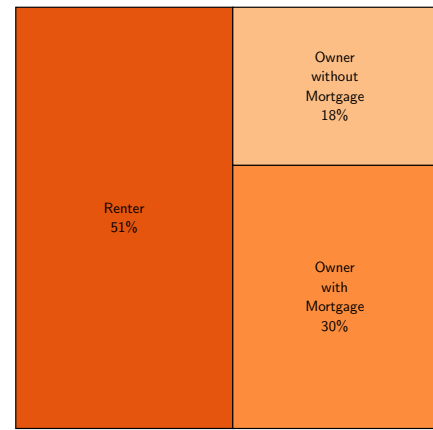
Source: American Community Survey, 2021 5-year estimates, tables B25009 and B25081

Median Housing Costs

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Columbus	$951 (Renters) / $938 (Owners)
River Valley RC	$880 (Renters) / $826 (Owners)
Georgia	$1,110 (Renters) / $1,124 (Owners)

Owners ■ Renters ■
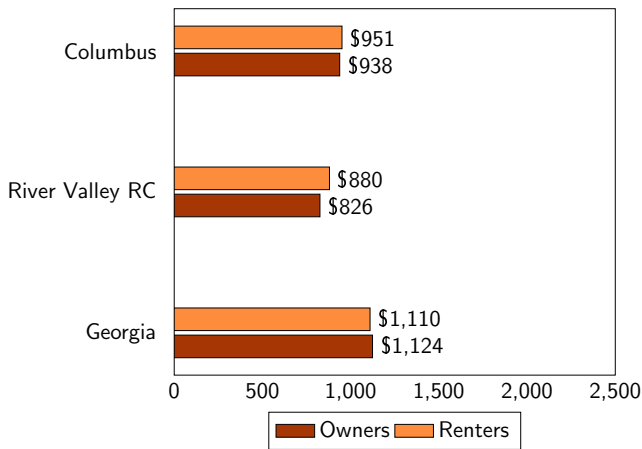
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Housing Cost-Burdened Households

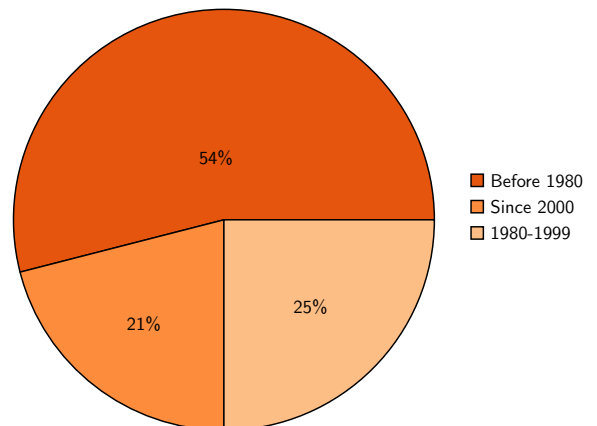|	
Columbus	48% (Renters) / 23% (Owners)
River Valley RC	48% (Renters) / 23% (Owners)
Georgia	50% (Renters) / 20% (Owners)

Owners ■ Renters ■
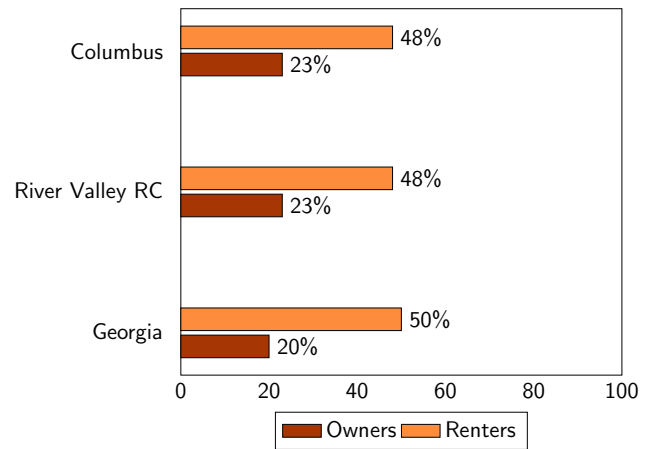
Source: American Community Survey, 2021 5-year estimates, tables B25091 and B25070

Vehicles Available

1 vehicle
38%

3+
17%

None
10%

2 vehicles
34%
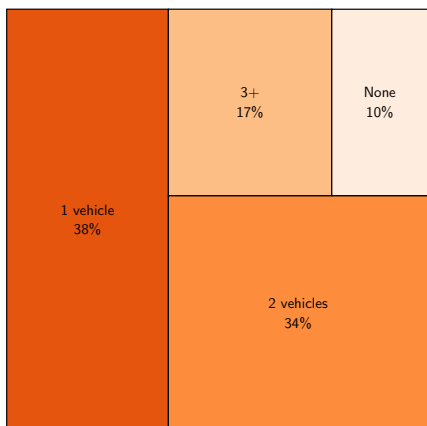
Source: American Community Survey, 2021 5-year estimates, table B25044

Year Structure Built

54%

21%

25%

■ Before 1980
■ Since 2000
■ 1980-1999

Source: American Community Survey, 2021 5-year estimates, table B25034

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