

WESTERN REGION DATA PROFILE



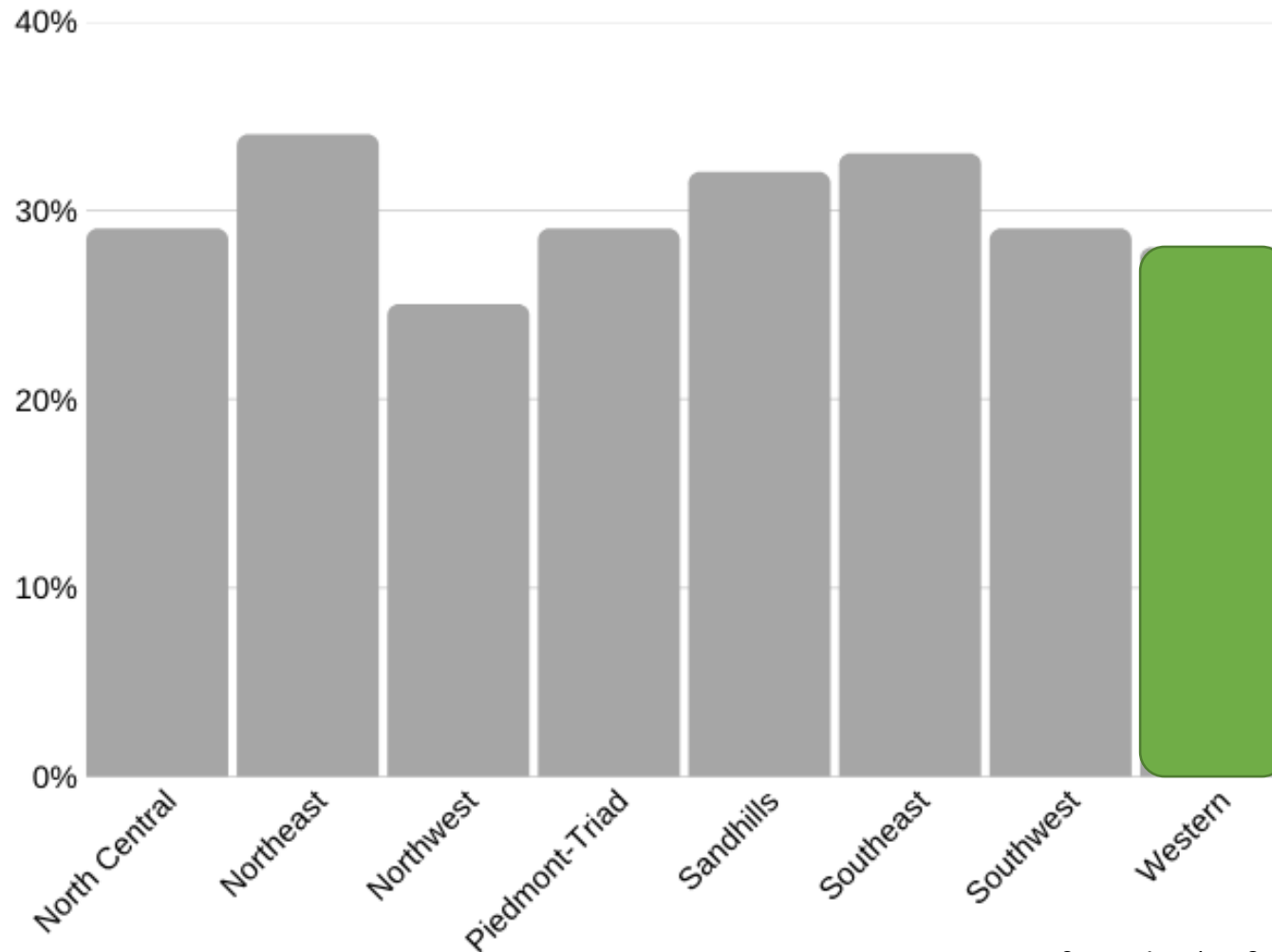
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Income & Costs

What is a Cost Burden?

The cost burden indicator represents the share of households in the region that spend 30% or more of their income on rent or mortgage and housing related costs.

Cost Burden Share by Region

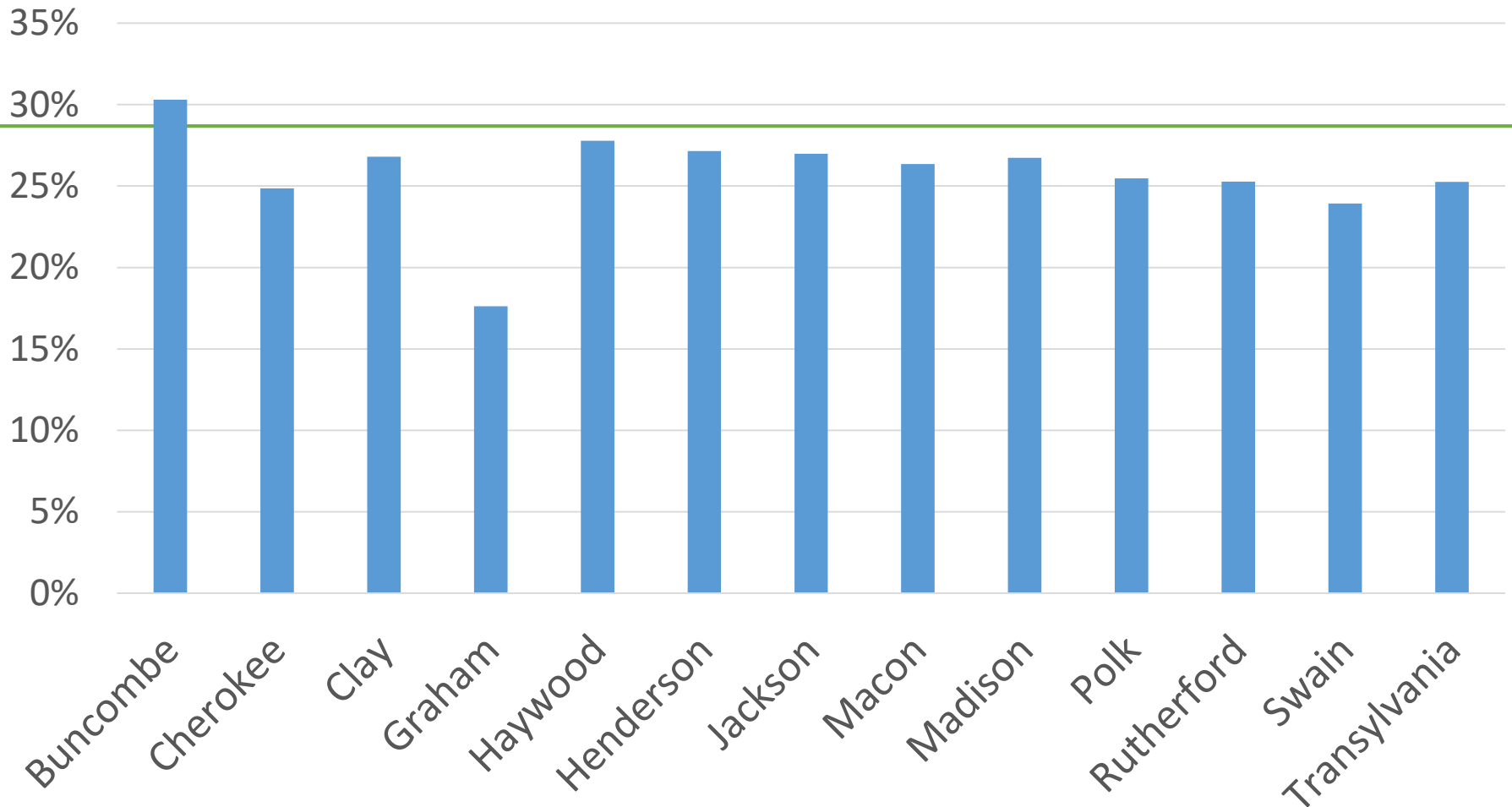


Source: American Community Survey 5-year Estimates.

Data Provided by DCRP

Cost Burden by County 2017

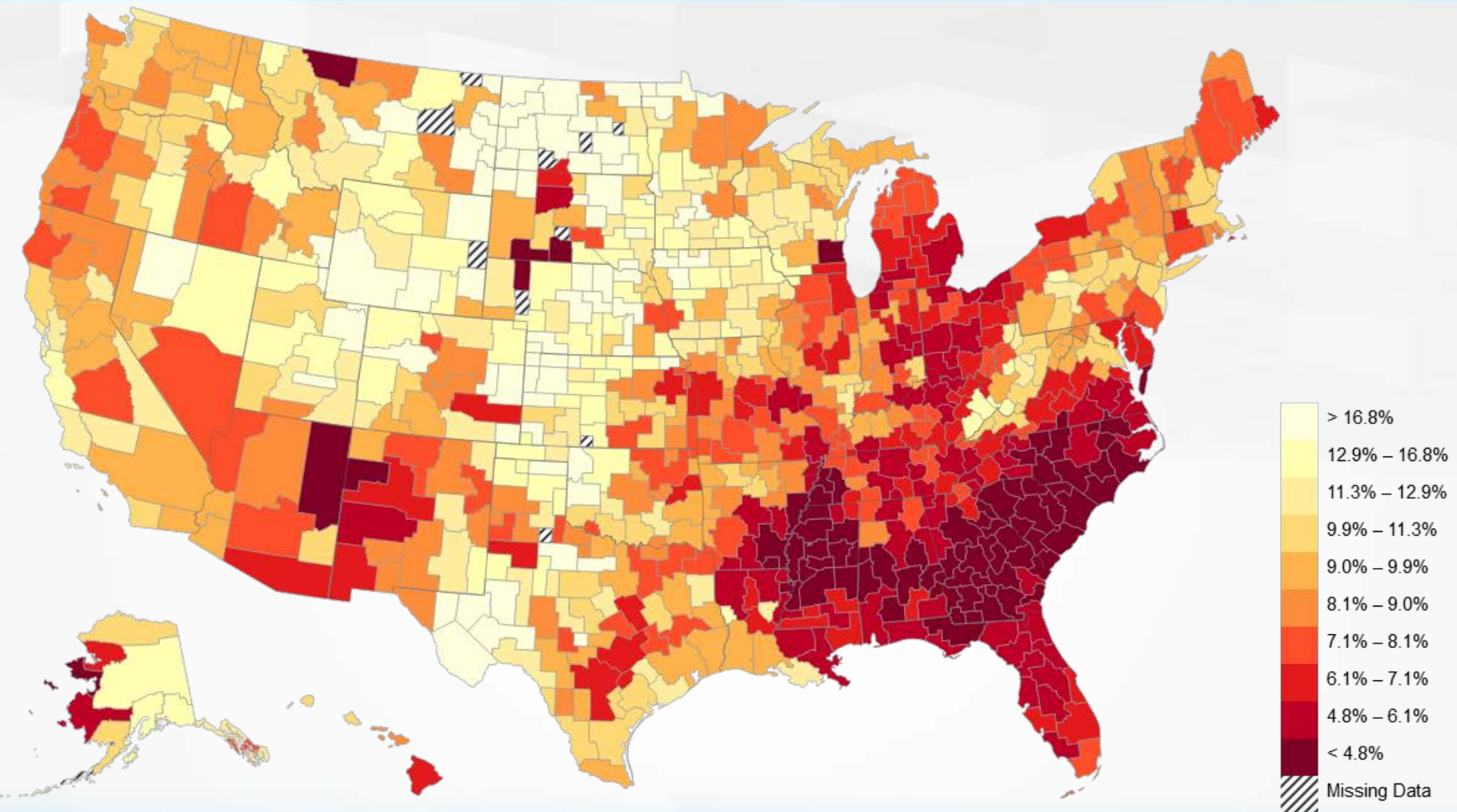
State Average=29%



Barriers to Mobility

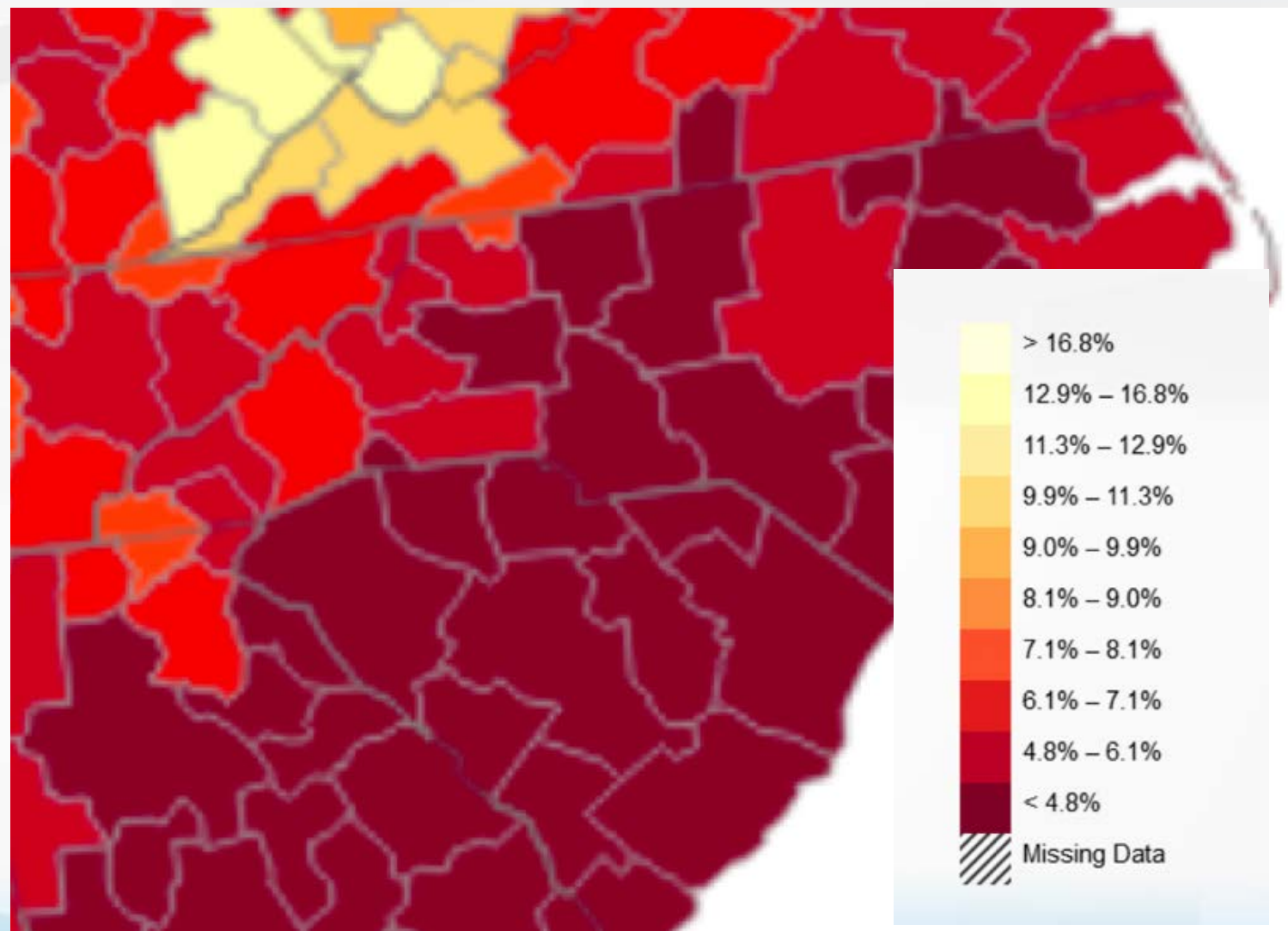
- Barriers to economic mobility can include:
 - Residential segregation
 - Income and wealth inequality
 - Differential access to opportunity
 - Lack of access to supports such as childcare & transportation

Children's Chances of Reaching Top 20% of Income Distribution Given Parents in Bottom 20%



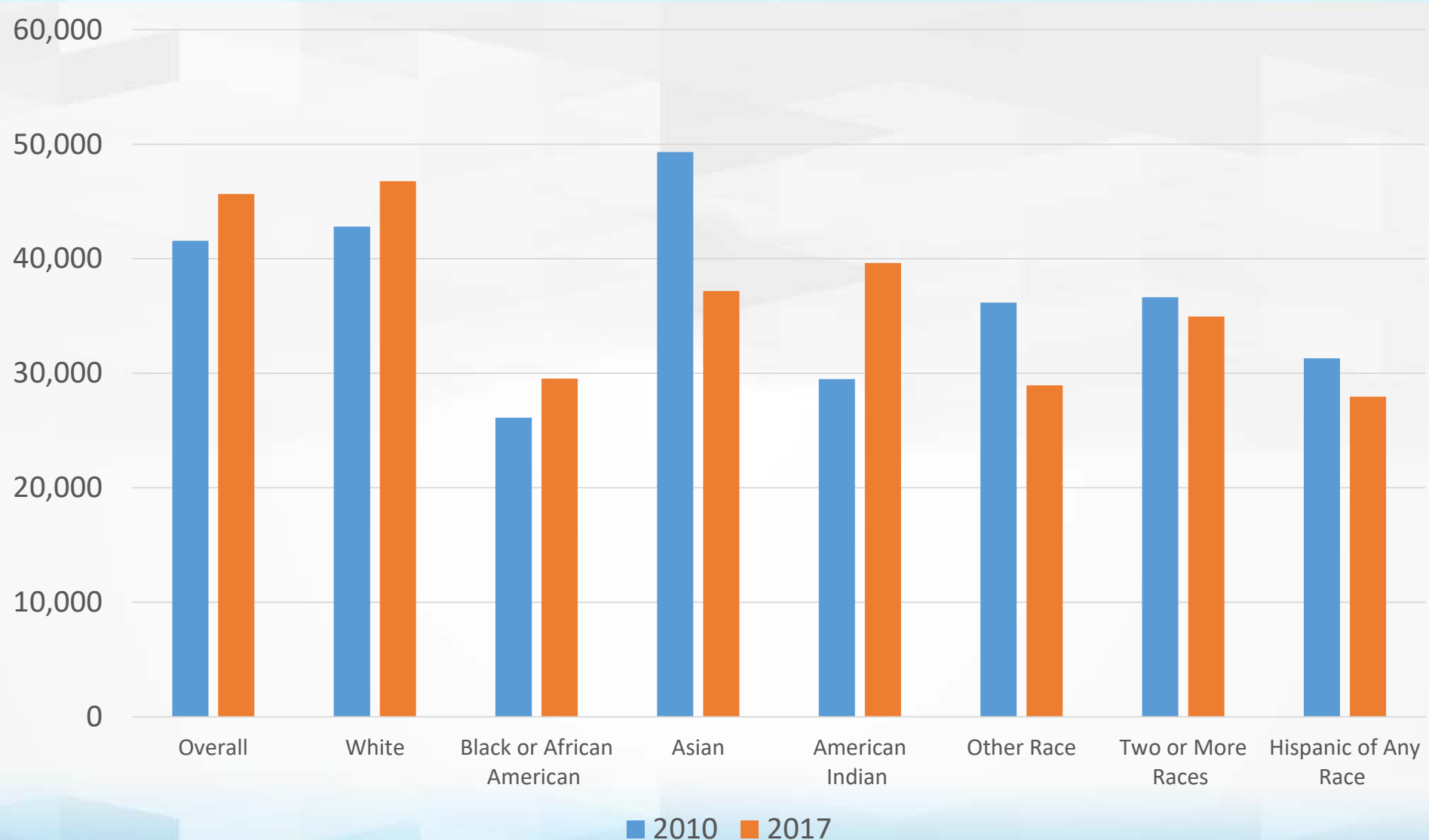
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A Closer Look

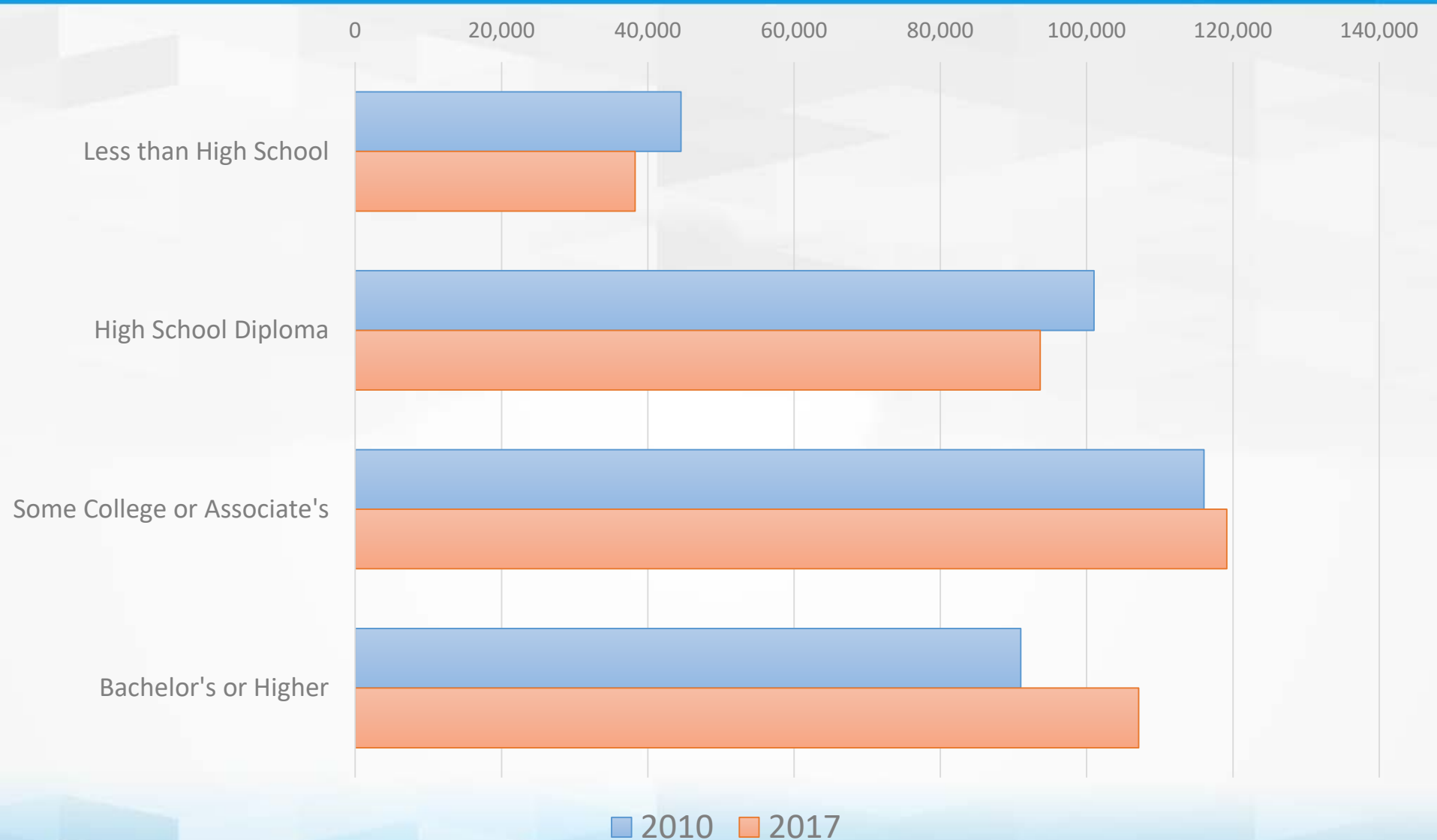


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Household Income by Race for the Region

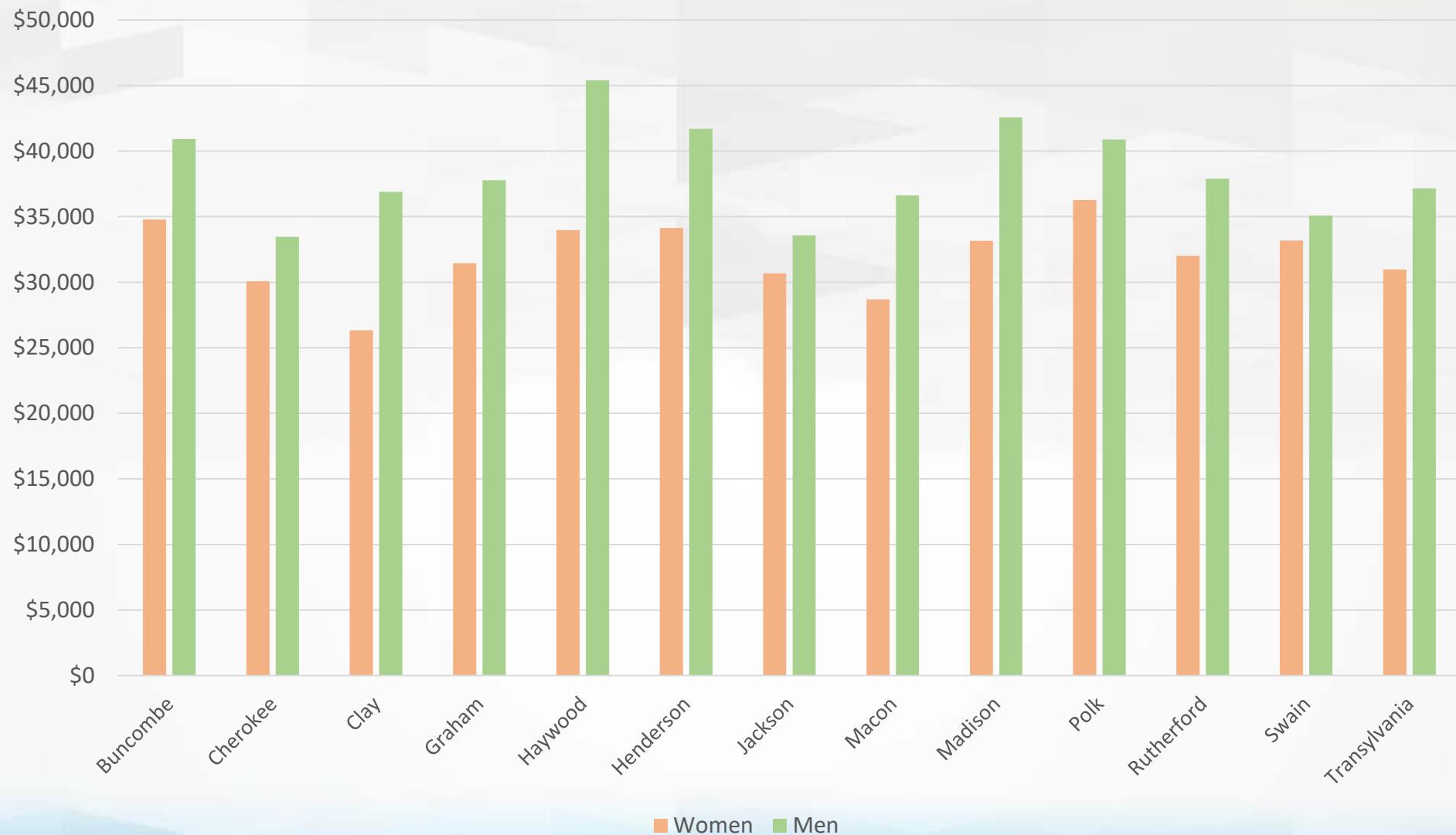


Educational Attainment for the Region



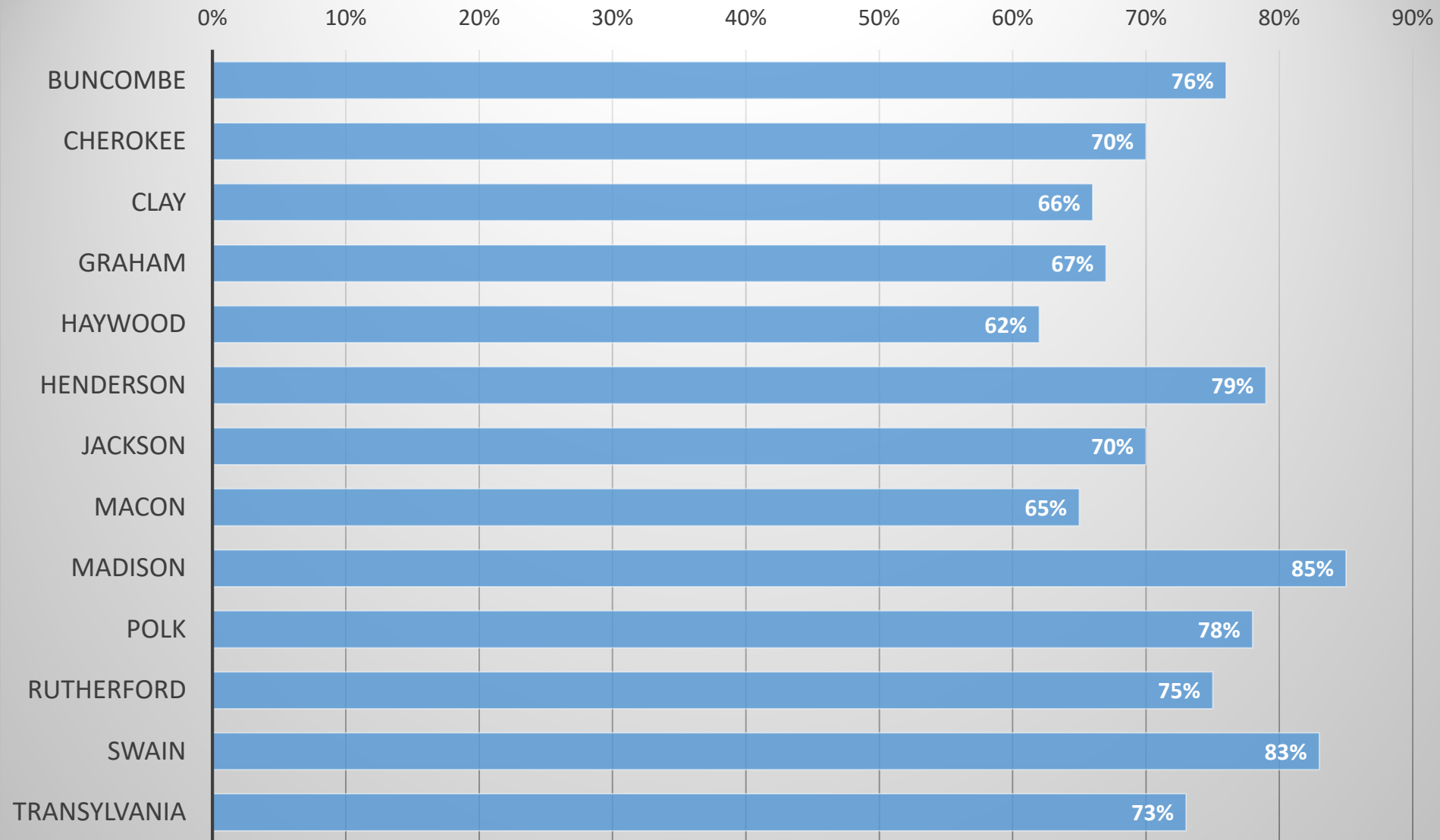
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Median Annual Earnings and Gender Earnings Ratio, North Carolina Counties, 2016



The Status of Women in North Carolina: Employment & Earnings Report, 2017

CHILDCARE : % of Eligible Children NOT Served by County 2017



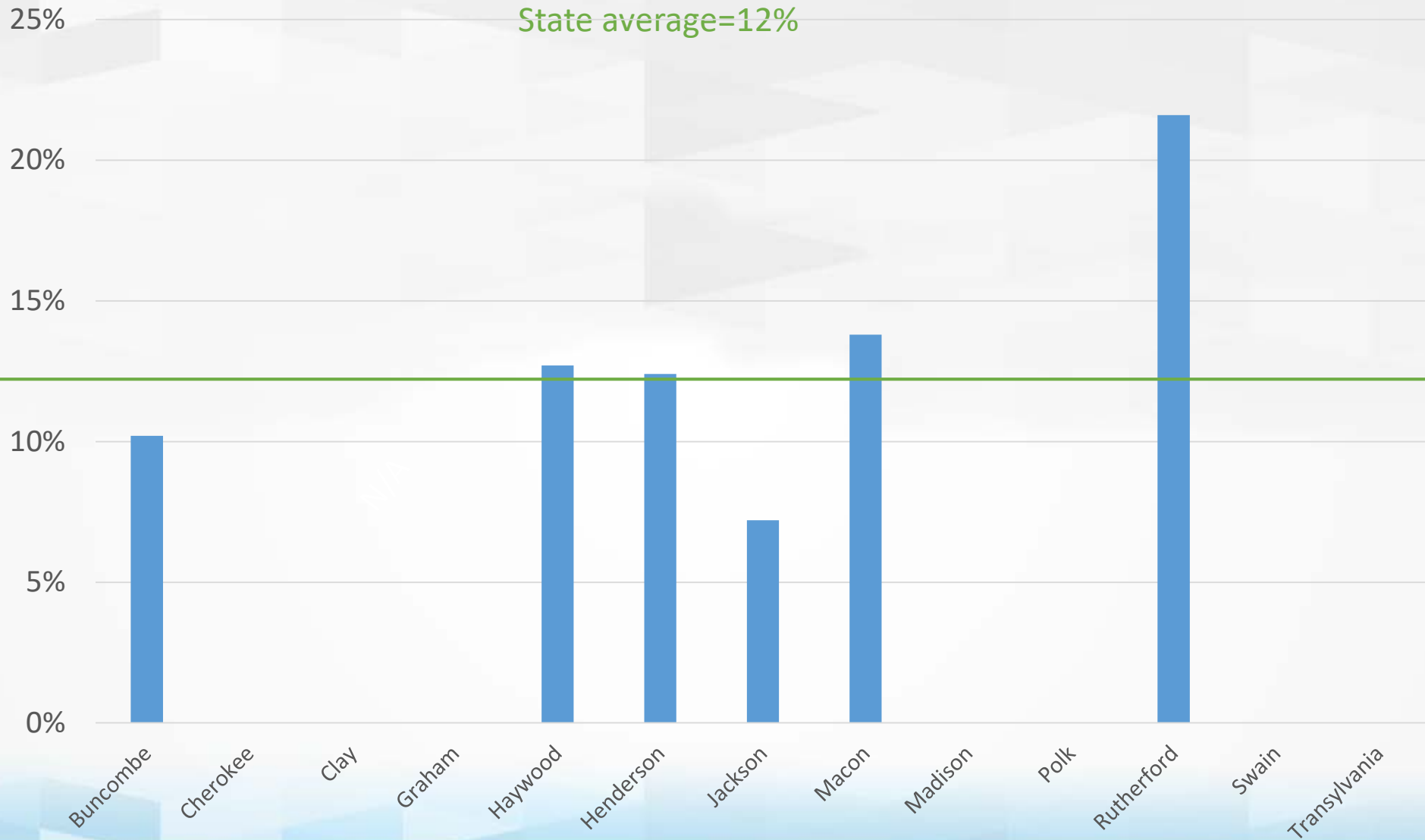
Connections

Disconnected Youth

The term Disconnected Youth refers to people ages 16-24 who are not in the workforce or enrolled in any education system.

A potential missing link to a more skilled labor force?

Disconnected Youth by County



REGIONAL BROADBAND ACCESS

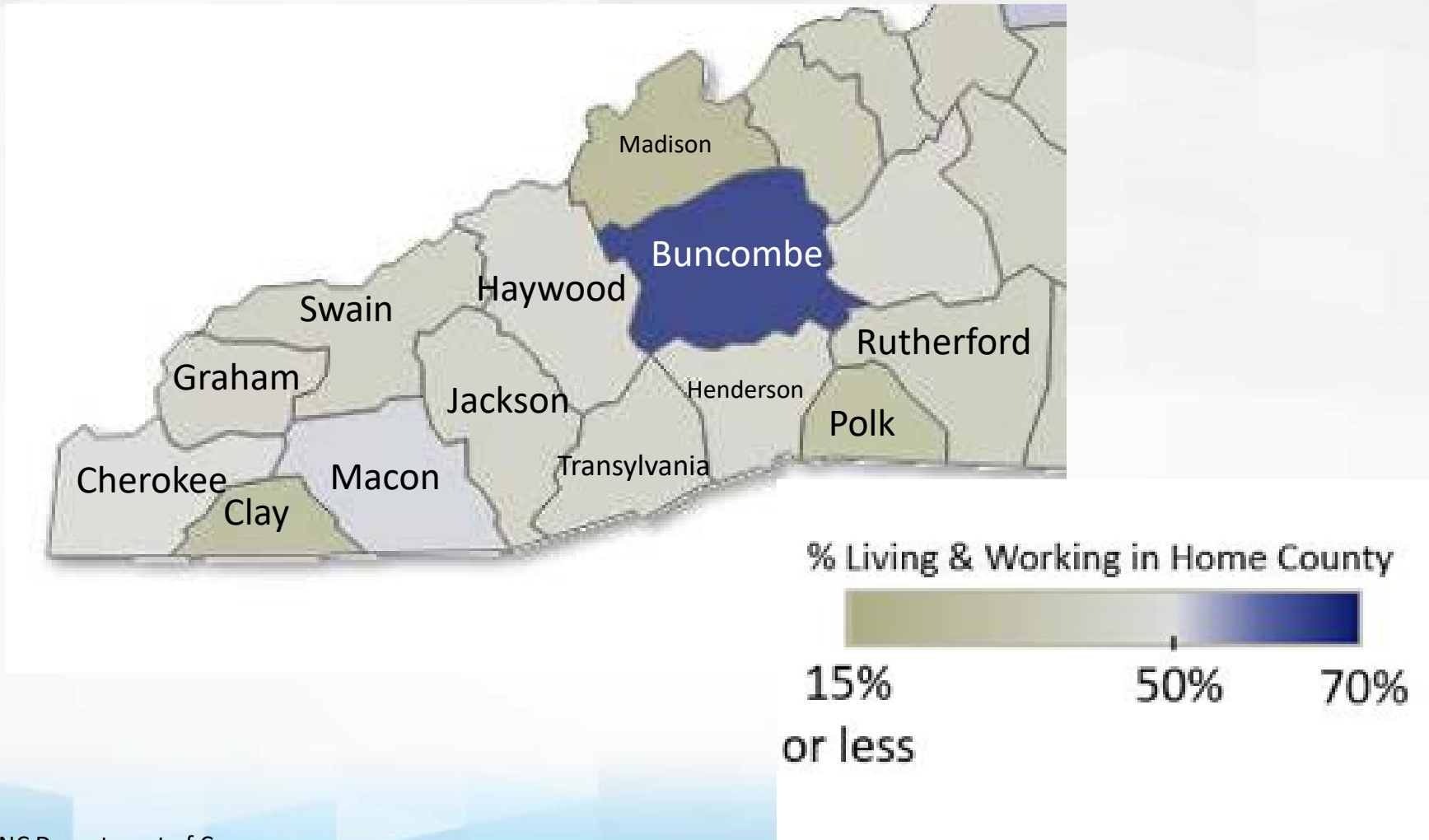
64%

[NC=68%]

Household totals reported for each county. This figure excludes households that have access *only* through a cellular plan.

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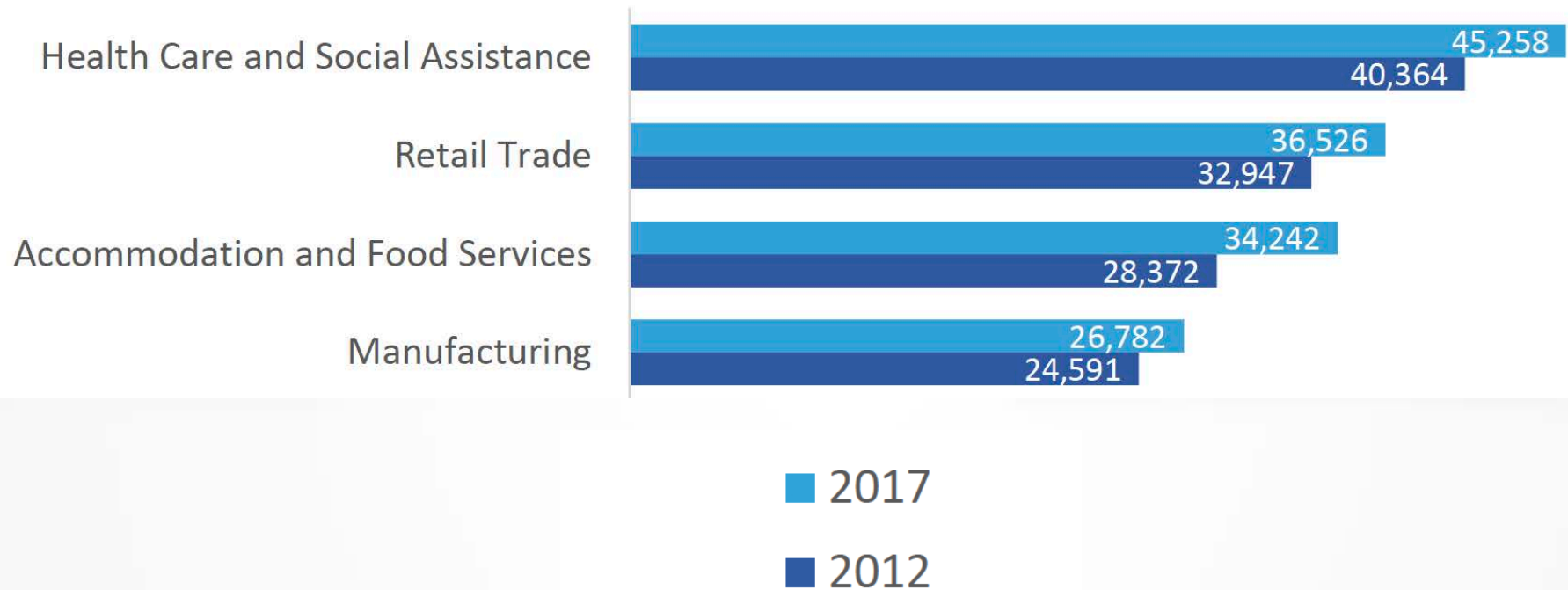
Living and Working in Home County



Source: NC Department of Commerce

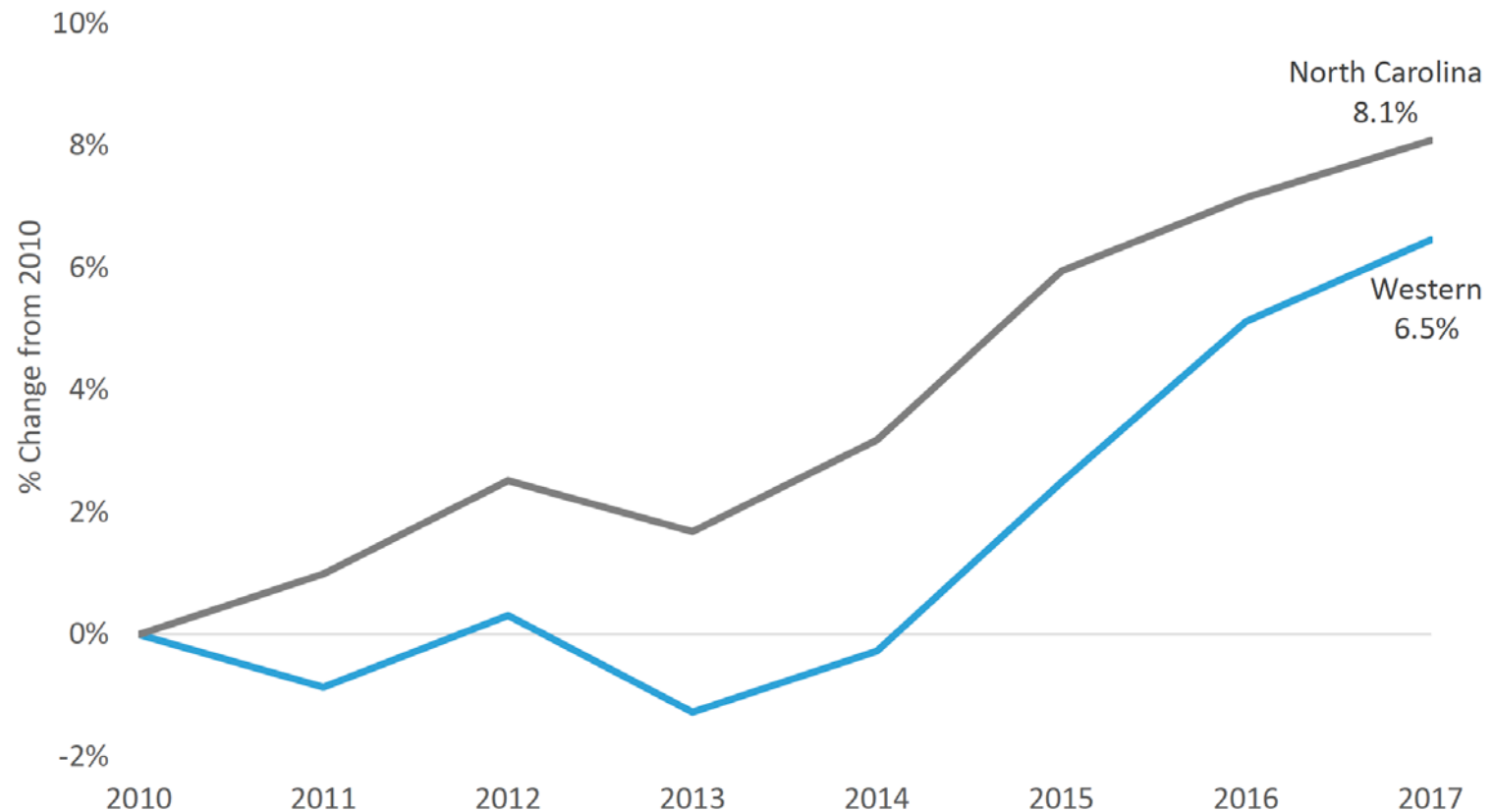
Business Competition

Regional Industry Employment Change— TOP 4 for Western Region



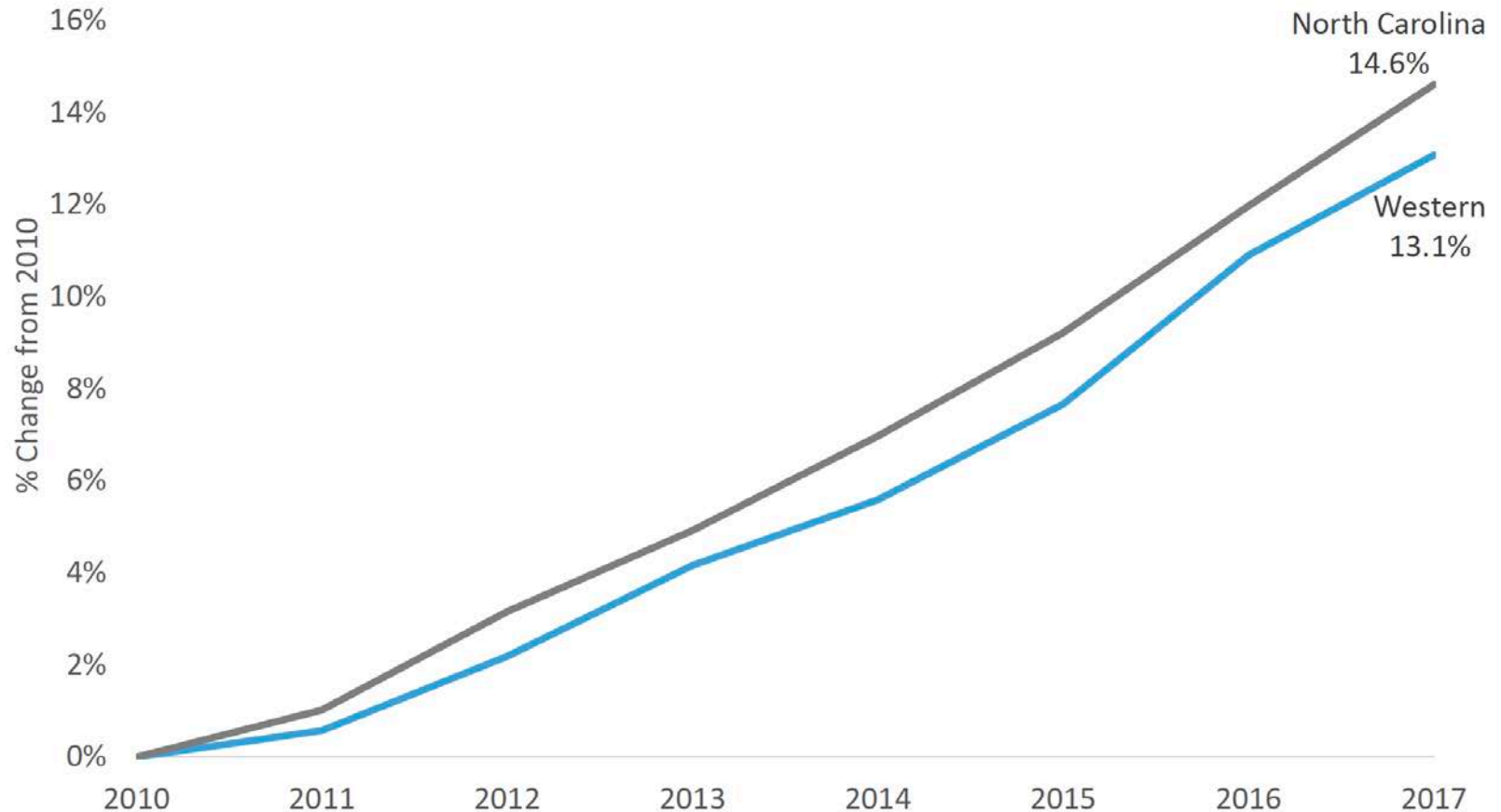
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Regional Business Establishment Change Relative to 2010



Source: NC Dept. of Commerce, Quarterly Census of Employment & Wages (QCEW)

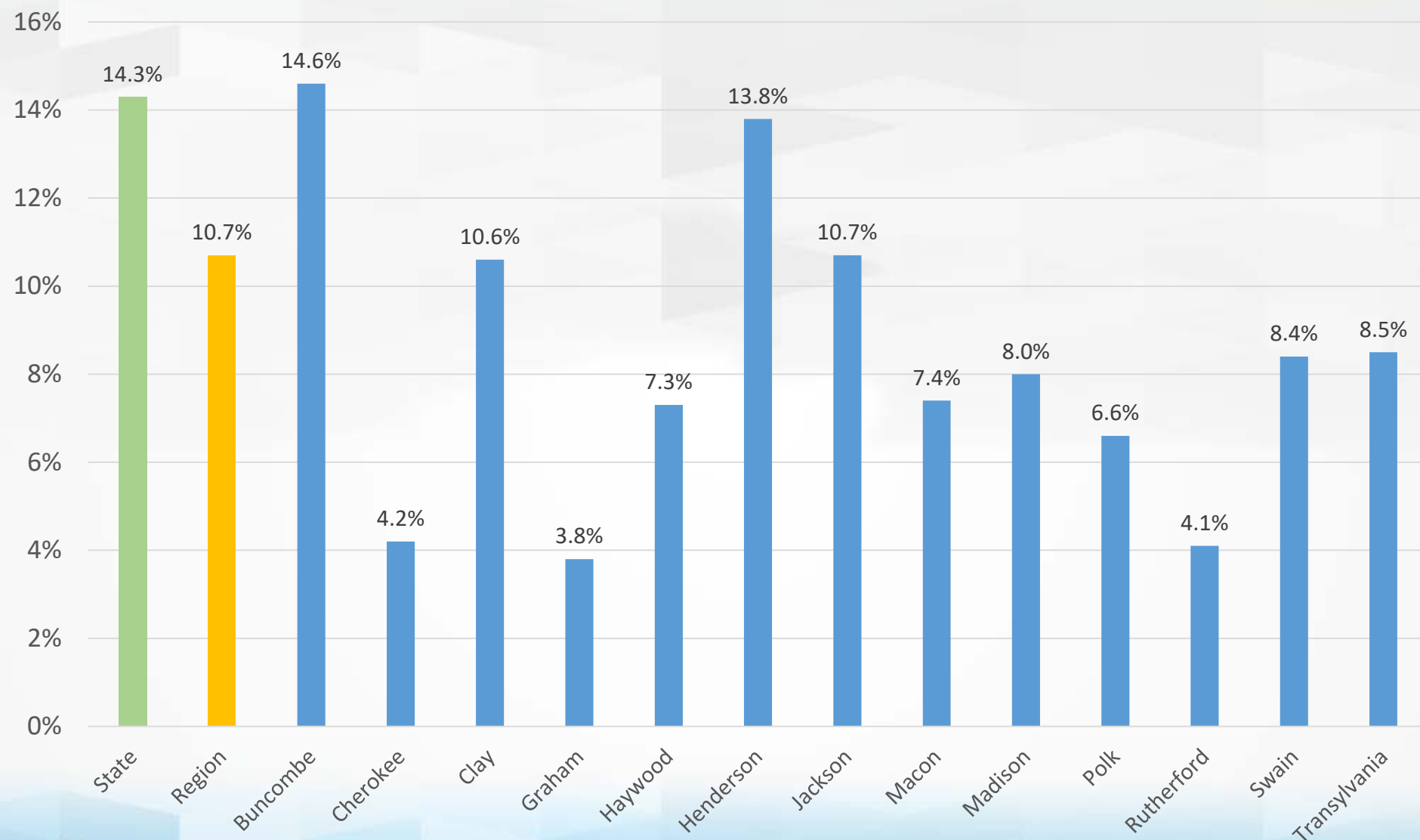
Regional Employment Compared to State as Percentage Change Relative to 2010



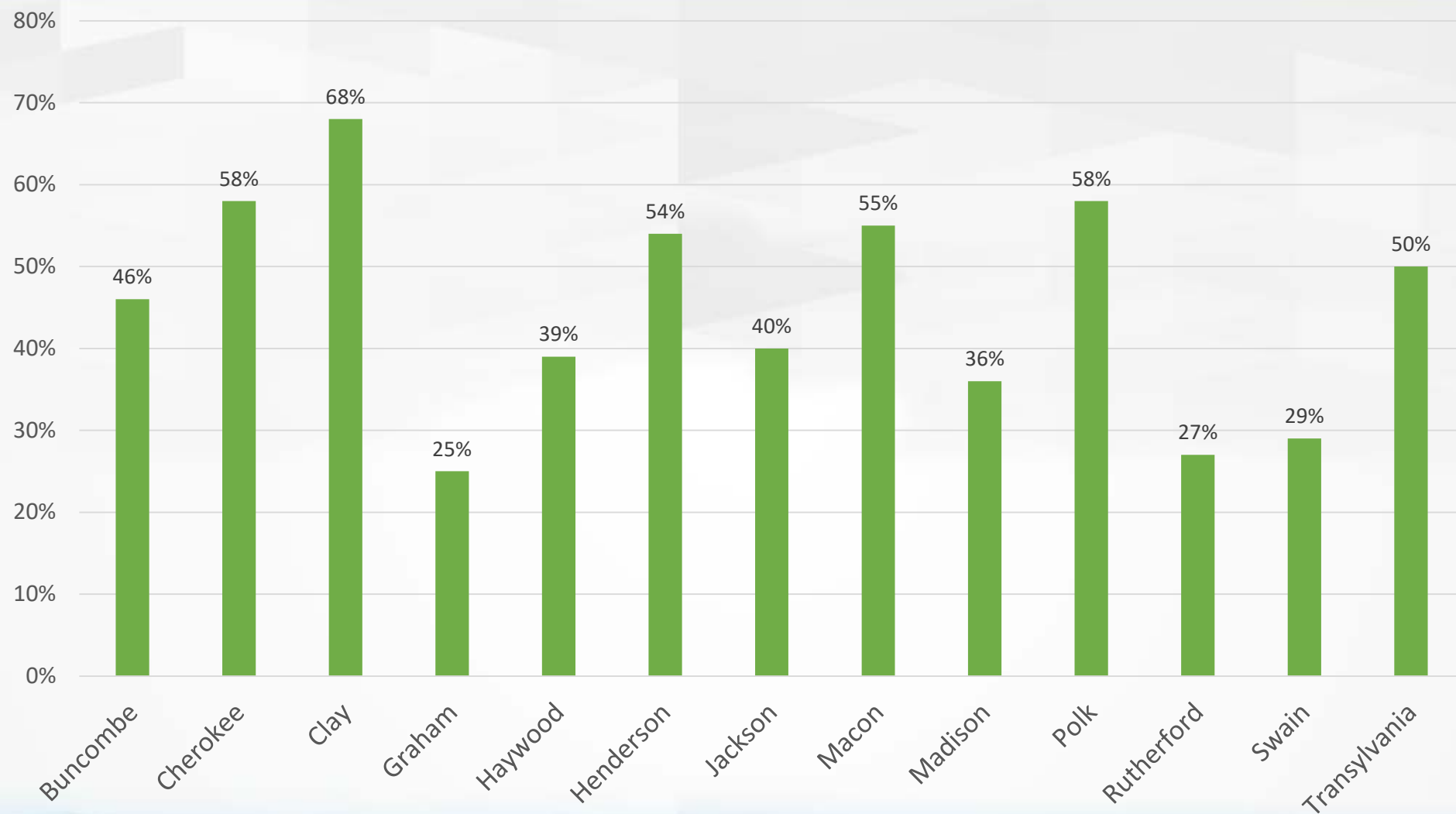
Source: BLS Local Area Unemployment Statistics.

Changing Population

Population Change by County 2006-2016 (Percentages)



Percentage of County Population Born Outside of NC 2013-2017



Source: Carolina Population Center