

**Commission on Services to the Aging (CSA) Meeting
Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS)
Bureau of Aging, Community Living, and Supports (ACLS Bureau)
Brennan Senior Center, 1301 Pingree Ave., Flint, MI**

**March 15, 2024
APPROVED MINUTES**

CALL TO ORDER

Meeting of the Commission on Services to the Aging was called to order at 9:01 a.m. by Commission Chair Bob Schlueter.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

ROLL CALL

Commission roll call was taken and a quorum was present.

COMMISSION MEMBERS PRESENT

Bob Schlueter, Mark Bomberg, William Bupp, Nancy Duncan, Walid Gammouh, Arjan Kallou, Guillermo Lopez, Tene Milton-Ramsey, Joy Murphy, Mike Pohnl, Shirley Tuggle, and Kristie Zamora

COMMISSIONERS EXCUSED

Jimmy Bruce, Jennifer Lepard, and Dennis Smith

STAFF PRESENT

Cindy Albrecht, Kelly Cooper, Julie Cortright, Kristina Leonardi, Cindy Masterson, and Scott Wamsley

WELCOME

Deborah Holmes, Brennan Senior Center Executive Director, welcomed the commission and gave an overview of programs and thanked the commission for coming to the center to hear the voices of the seniors in the Flint region.

Yaushica Aubert, Valley Area Agency on Aging President and CEO, welcomed the commission and gave an overview of programs.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chair Schlueter requested a motion to approve the CSA meeting agenda.

Motion was made by Commissioner Gammouh and Commissioner Kallou seconded the motion; minutes were approved by voice vote.

APPROVAL OF CSA MEETING MINUTES

Chair Schlueter requested a motion to approve the February 16, 2024, CSA meeting minutes.

Motion was made by Commissioner Tuggle and Commissioner Zamora seconded the motion; minutes were approved by voice vote.

COMMISSION CHAIR REPORT

Commission Chair, Bob Schlueter, reported the following:

- Thanked the Brennan Senior Center and Valley Area Agency on Aging for hosting the meeting and public hearing.
- Long-Term Care Ombudsman (LTCO) Funding Formula committee will be meeting during lunch. Chair of this committee is Commissioner Bomberg and Commissioners Bruce, Lepard, Smith, Tuggle, and Zamora are the other members.
- Encouraged the CSA and others to watch the presentation by Scott Wamsley and other senior advocates to the House Appropriation Subcommittee on Health and Human Services.

PUBLIC COMMENTS RELATED TO THE STATE PLAN ON AGING OR ACLS BUREAU PROGRAMS, SERVICES, POLICIES, OR ISSUES IMPACTING OLDER AND VULNERABLE ADULTS

None.

STATE ADVISORY COUNCIL (SAC) UPDATE

Commissioner Pohnl, SAC Chair, provided the following updates:

- Noted that he is grateful for the support from the new ACLS Bureau staff, Curtis Johnson and Michele Butler.
- The SAC continues to work on recruitment. There will be an article in the next 4AM newsletter as well strategy meetings with ACLS Bureau staff on recruitment efforts.
- There is an attempt to align appointments and reappointments to the SAC to be twice a year in April and October. It will take some time to align terms to this schedule.
- Work is ongoing on member reengagement as well as strengthening the SAC relationship with the CSA Advocacy Committee to see areas where the SAC can assist in research, advocacy, and support. The SAC is also looking at the current bylaws to determine areas where it may be appropriate to suggest revisions.
- Commissioner Zamora suggested sending an email to CSA members related to recruitment so that they could share with their contacts.

ACLS BUREAU UPDATES

Scott Wamsley, Director, provided the following updates:

- Noted that he testified to the House Appropriation Subcommittee on Health and Human Services. The presentation was well-received and he appreciated the opportunity to present to them on issues impacting older adults, caregivers, and network partners, as well as to highlight the current work of the department and future work in FY 2025. There were presentations by several other senior advocates as well. <https://www.house.mi.gov/VideoArchivePlayer?video=HEAHS-031324.mp4>

- The MI Care Career Portal began the pilot program in Region 5 – Valley Area Agency on Aging (Genesee, Lapeer, and Shiawassee Counties). This is an online job matching portal for employers and DCWs. The portal went live for DCWs at the end of February and for employers in mid-March. We will keep the CSA updated on the progress of this pilot program.
- He recently met with HCBS Strategies, a national consulting group that works with many other states regarding long-term care programs, both Medicaid and non-Medicaid. They will be looking at possible connection points within the long-term care programs we oversee. They also have a focus on how Older Americans Act programs are structured and where there can be opportunities to expand relationships across programs.
- The bureau is reviewing the new federal Older Americans Act regulations and has been working with ADvancing States (the association for state units on aging) to identify ways for states to come into compliance with new requirements in a way that is manageable.
- Welcomed new ACLS Bureau staff member, Michele Butler, the secretary for the Aging and Community Services Division as well as the support person for the SAC.

FINANCIAL UPDATES

Cindy Masterson, Director of the Operations & Aging Network Support (OANS) Division, provided information related to ACLS Bureau financial updates.

BUSINESS ITEMS

a. Request for Approval of Modification to the FY 2023-2025 MYP and FY 2024 AIP for AgeWays Nonprofit Senior Services, Region 1-B

Cindy Albrecht, Technical Assistance & Quality Improvement (TAQI) Section Field Representative, provided an overview stating the request is for AgeWays Nonprofit Senior Services to add Care Transitions Coordination and Support (CTCS) as a direct service. CTCS is an access service program standard focused on providing guidance and support to adults age 60 or older discharging from a medical care institution to the place they consider to be home, preventing re-institutionalization.

The modification was made available for public review during a 30-day public comment period and was approved by AgeWays' Board of Directors on February 23, 2024.

A motion was made by Commissioner Gammouh to approve the request and Commissioner Bomberg seconded the motion. Additional discussion followed and the motion was approved unanimously by voice vote.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

a. SCSEP Overview

Julie Cortright, TAQI Section Field Representative and SCSEP Program Manager, presented an overview of the Senior Community Service Employment Program.

b. Michigan Health Endowment Fund (MHEF) Update

Phil Lewis, MHEF Senior Program Officer-Healthy Aging presented information on what MHEF is, current projects they are funding, how to apply for a grant through them, and how to reach out for anyone with ideas on future funding needs or projects.

c. Michigan Senior Demographic Overview and Trends

Jaclyn Butler, State Demographer, Michigan Center for Data and Analytics, shared a presentation related to data on Aging and the 60+ population in Michigan (presentation attached).

d. Senior Project Fresh Update

Kristina Leonardi, Director, Aging & Community Services Division, presented an overview on Senior Project Fresh including the Mission, 2023 Program Outcomes, and Objectives (presentation attached).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next Commission on Services to the Aging meeting is scheduled for 9:00 a.m. on Friday, April 19, at the Capitol Commons Center, 400 S. Pine Street, Lansing, MI.

Please note, these meetings are open to the public, and anyone wishing to attend may do so. Those needing assistance should contact Kelly Cooper at cooperk6@michigan.gov at least five (5) days prior to the meeting date.

ADJOURN

Commission Chair Schlueter adjourned the meeting at 12:35 p.m. Working session/lunch followed and Public Hearing began at 1:00 p.m.

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Senior Project Fresh

Program Outcomes & Updates

March 15, 2024



Mission

MDHHS provides services and administers programs to improve the health, safety, and prosperity of the residents of the state of Michigan.

What is Senior Project Fresh?



USDA funded
program
Senior Farmers
Market Nutrition
Program



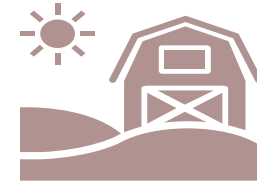
Provides
coupons to
income-eligible
adults 60+ OR
age 55+ and are
members of a
federally
recognized tribe
OR urban tribal
group



To use like cash
at registered
farmers markets
and roadside
stands



Registered
markets and
roadside stands
accept the
coupons, have
the user sign
them, and then
turn them into
MDHHS for
reimbursement



Eligible items
include
unprocessed
fruits,
vegetables, and
honey that are
native to
Michigan and
it's bordering
states of Ohio,
Wisconsin, and
Indiana



Operates between
May 1 - October 31
each year

Participants and Eligibility

- Must be 60 years of age or older at the time of receiving coupons OR age 55 and older and a member of a Michigan federally recognized tribe or urban tribal group
- Must live in the county in which the coupons are obtained
- Income must be at or below 185% of the Federal Poverty Guidelines (2024):
 - For 1 - person household: \$27,861
 - For 2 - person household: \$37,814

2023 Program Outcomes

2022 vs 2023 Participant Data



	2022	2023
Participants	17,041	17,340
Market Coordinators*	249	260
Lead Agencies	93	88
% participants receiving 1 book	74%	84%
% participants receiving 2 books	26%	16%

* In 2023, the name of “Market Master,” a registered farmer with SPF, changed to “Market Coordinator”

2023 Participant Demographic Data

Demographics	2023
Gender	
% Male	23%
% Female	77%
Racial Identity	
% White	84%
% Hispanic	22%
% African American	13%
% Indian or Alaskan Native	2.6%
% Multi-racial	2.5%
% Asian	1.8%

Coupon Allocation & Redemption Data

2021-23 State-wide Data			
	2021	2022	2023
allocated	270,130	115,000	110,765
redeemed	182,819	86,823	88,262
returned	17,812	3,961	775
% redeemed	67.53%	75.50%	79.70%
locally purchased	25,990	25,300	33,345

Notes:

* In 2021, coupon books contained 10- \$2 coupons

* In 2022 and 2023, coupon books contained 5- \$5 coupons

Market Evaluations

- The USDA requires 10% of each type of market to be evaluated every season. In 2023, we had 260 Market Coordinators.

Type of Market Coordinator	Total Registered	Total Evaluated
Farmers Market	172	18
Individual Farmer (travels to many)	14	2
Roadside Stand	74	8

2023 & 2024 Federal Funding



2023 USDA Funding	Food Purchase (coupons)	Administration (limited to 10%)	Total
1 st Allocation	\$308,966	\$34,329	\$343,295
2 nd Allocation	\$56,940	\$6,327	\$63,267

2024 USDA Funding	Food Purchase (coupons)	Administration (limited to 10%)	Total
1 st Allocation	\$315,377	\$35,042	\$350,419

2024 Objectives

What's happening now?

- March
 - Recruitment of lead agencies and market coordinators
 - Lead agencies established through MOA
 - Market Coordinators register and create/update SIGMA account
 - Must agree to grow and sell local fruits, vegetables, and/or honey
 - Trainings for lead agencies and market coordinators
- April
 - Coupons distributed to agencies
 - Trainings continue
- May
 - Participant registration and allocation of coupons may begin
 - Participants may spend coupons at participating farmers markets and roadside stands

2024 Season and Updates



- Federal Funding
 - \$315,377 will allow for distribution of 12,615 coupon books
- No process changes
- Expansion goals- participants and market coordinators
 - Tribal partnerships
 - Urban and rural areas of need

What's on the Horizon?

Modernization

- MDHHS working to establish a vendor to implement an Electronic Solution for 2025. Vendor selection and agreement should occur no later than July 2024.
- MDHHS plans to hold focus groups for feedback on the E-Solution to accommodate those most vulnerable to modernization efforts.
- Additional updates will be shared throughout 2024.

Thank you!



AGING AND THE 60+ POPULATION IN MICHIGAN

Commission on Services to the Aging

March 15, 2024

Jaclyn Butler, PhD

State Demographer

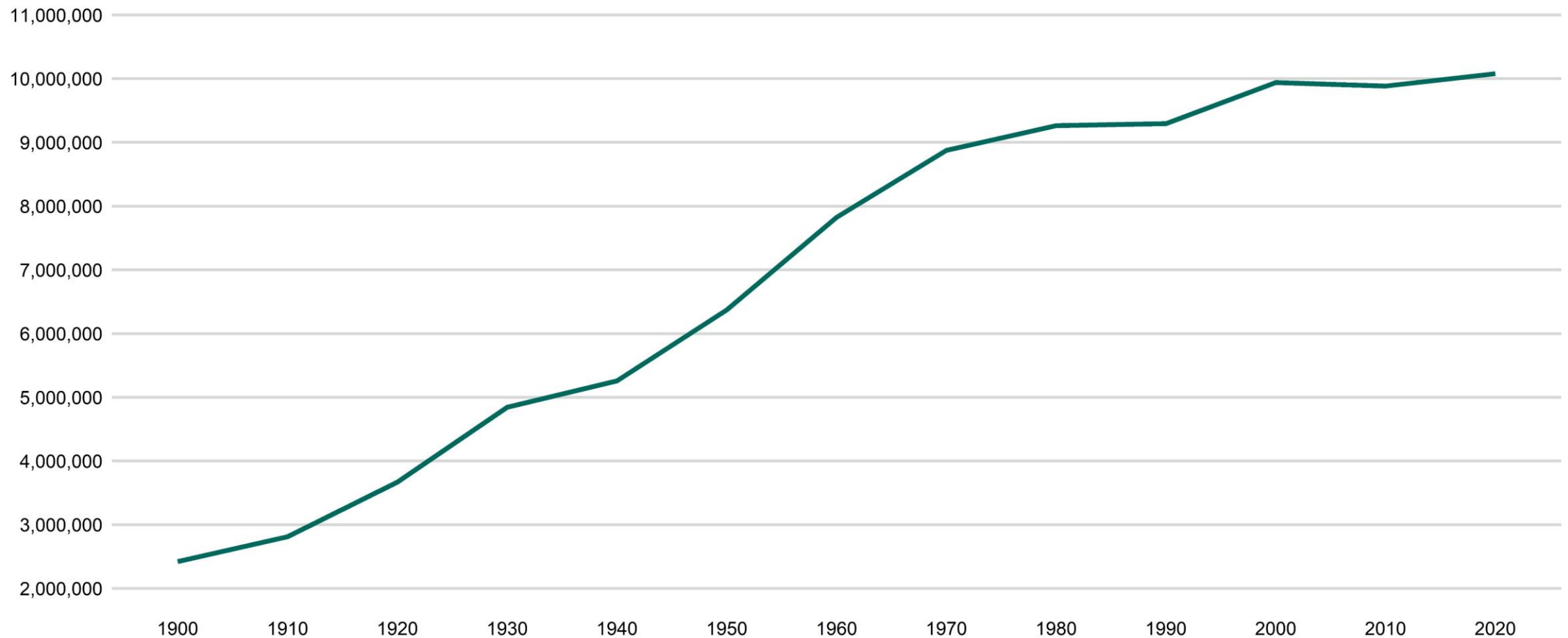
Functions of the demography team at MCDA

- Analysis of Michigan's population size and demographic composition
- Michigan's liaison with the U.S. Census Bureau for most programs, including population estimates and projections
- Advisors to state and local leaders, businesses, nonprofits, the media, and the general public on population trends and Census data

MICHIGAN STATEWIDE

POPULATION TRENDS

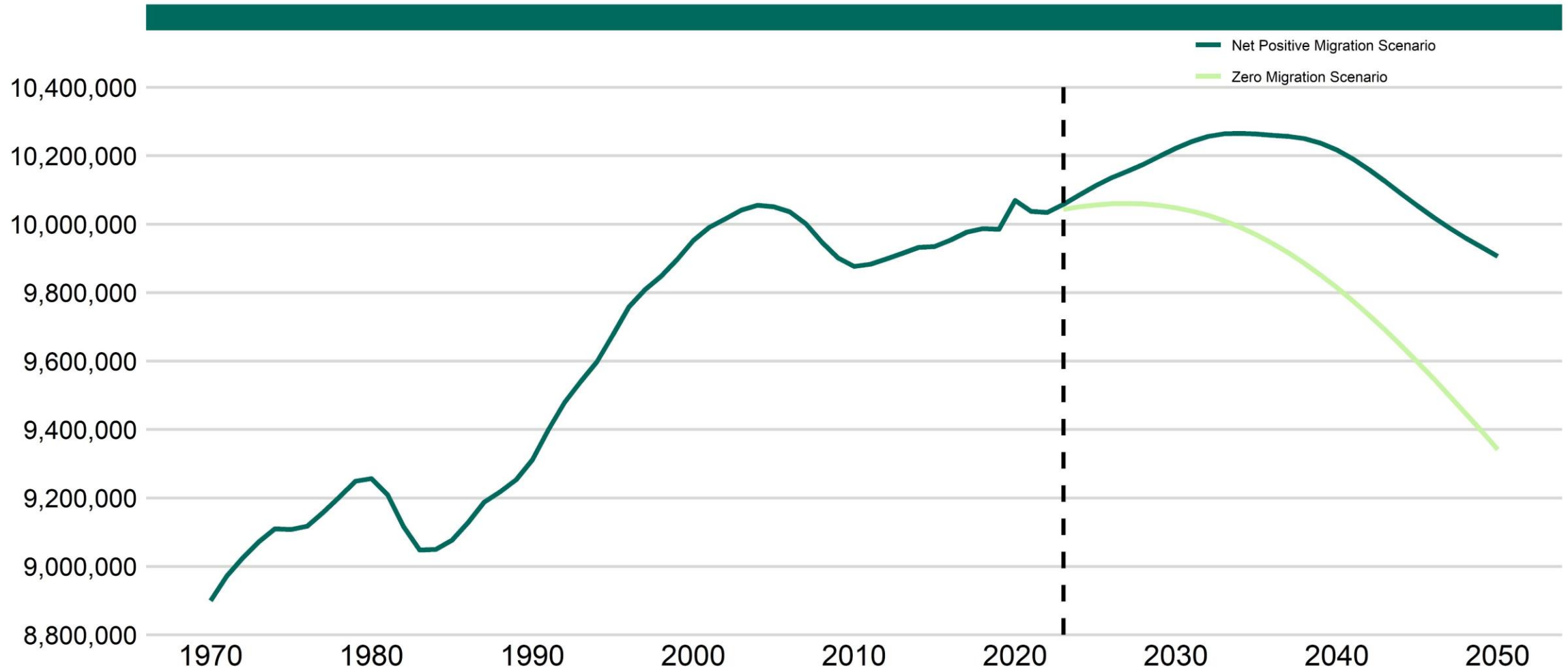
Michigan's Decadal Total Population, 1900 to 2020



Source: Decennial counts extracted from IPUMS NHGIS, University of Minnesota, www.nhgis.org

Michigan Historical and Projected Population

(1970 to 2050)



Source: Census Bureau Annual Population Estimates (1970 to 2022), MCDA 2050 projection series

THE DYNAMICS OF

POPULATION CHANGE

What demographic dynamics have contributed to historical, current, and projected population change in Michigan?

Dynamics of Population Change

There are only three components to population change:

- Births
- Deaths
- Migration

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \text{Population} & & & & \text{Natural Change} & & \text{Net Migration} \\ \text{in Time 2} & = & \text{Population} & + & \text{(Births – Deaths)} & + & \text{(In-Migration – Out-Migration)} \\ \text{in Time 1} & & & & & & \end{array}$$

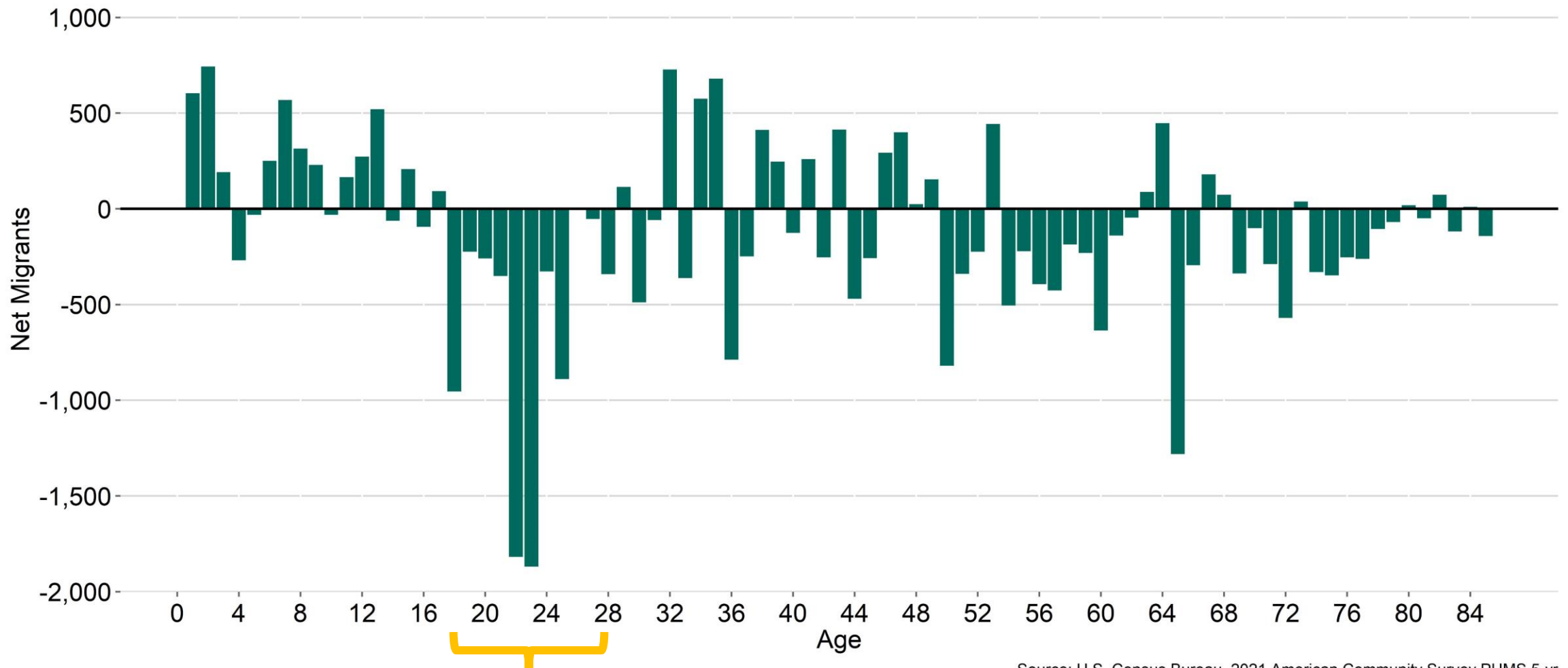
- When there are more births than deaths, this is natural increase.
- When there are more deaths than births, this is natural decrease.
- Migration consists of domestic (state to state) and international components.

MIGRATION

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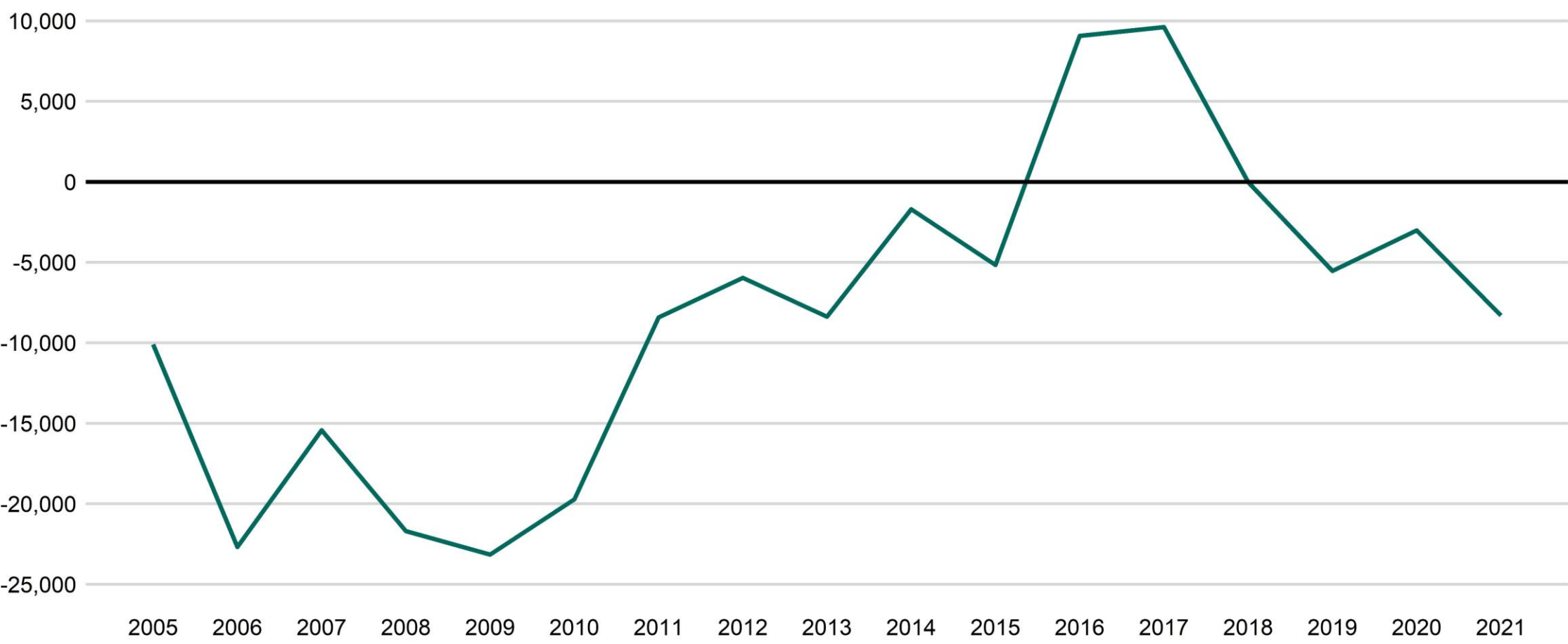
Michigan Age-specific Domestic Net Migration

(Annual Average 2017-2021)



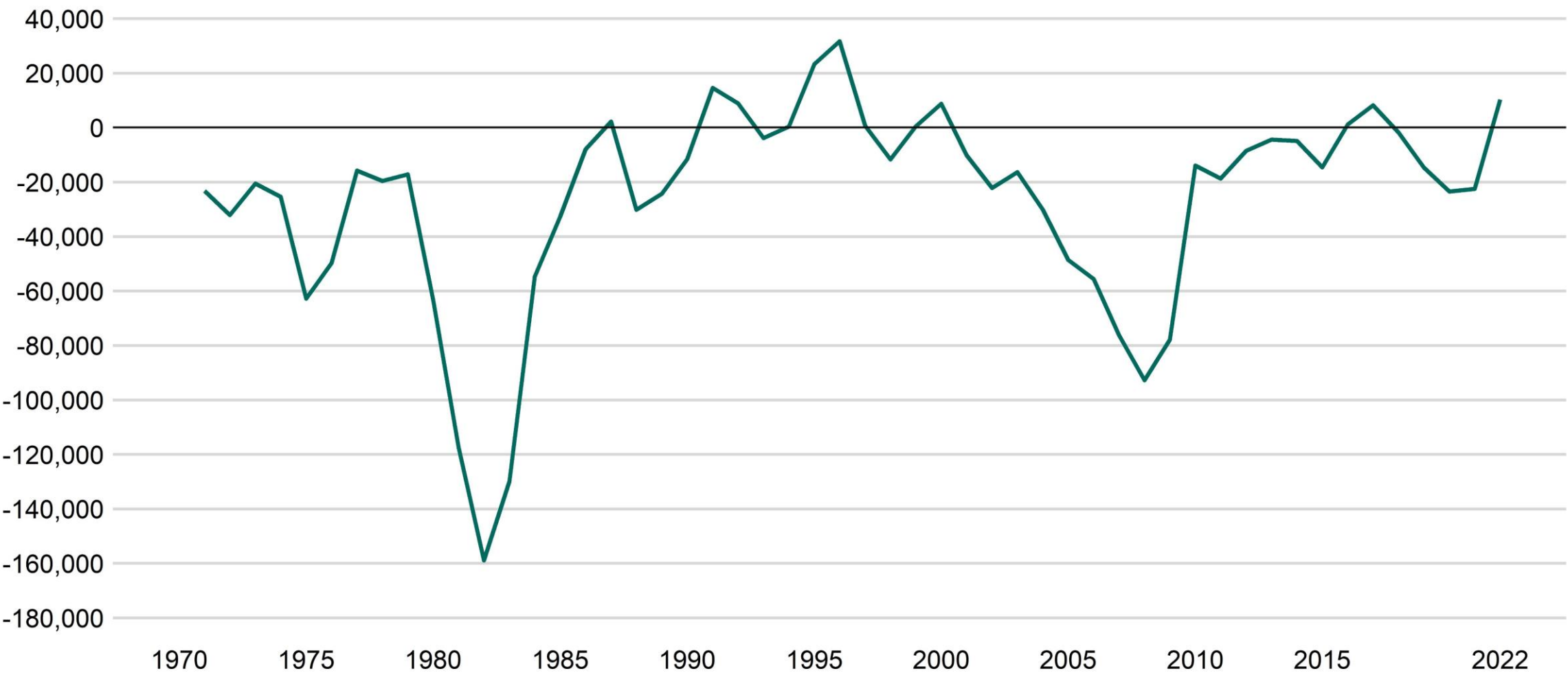
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2021 American Community Survey PUMS 5-yr

Michigan's Net Migration of Prime-Working Age Adults, Ages 25–54 (2005 to 2021)



Source: American Community Survey (ACS) public-use microdata, U.S. Census Bureau

Michigan's Net Migrants, 1970 to 2022



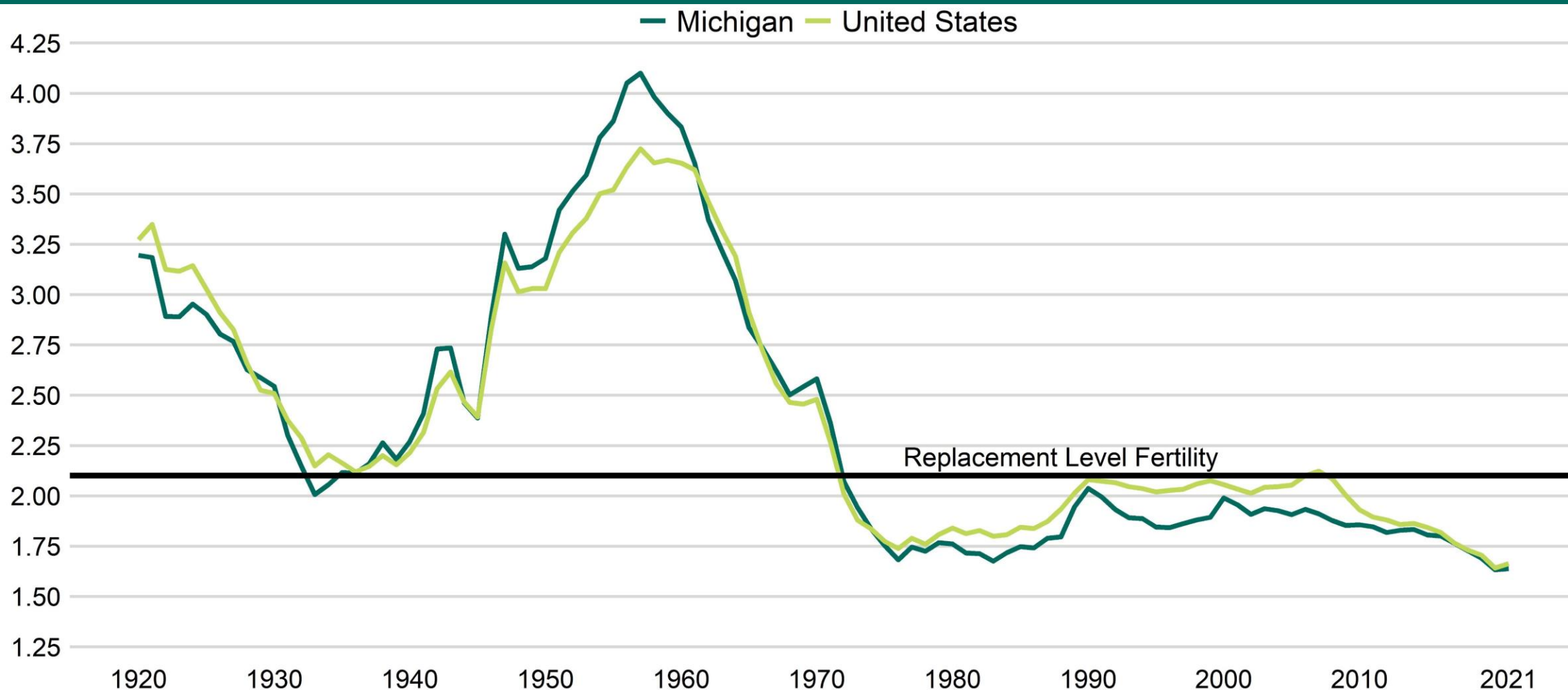
Source: MCDA and U.S. Census Bureau, Population Estimates Program

NATURAL CHANGE

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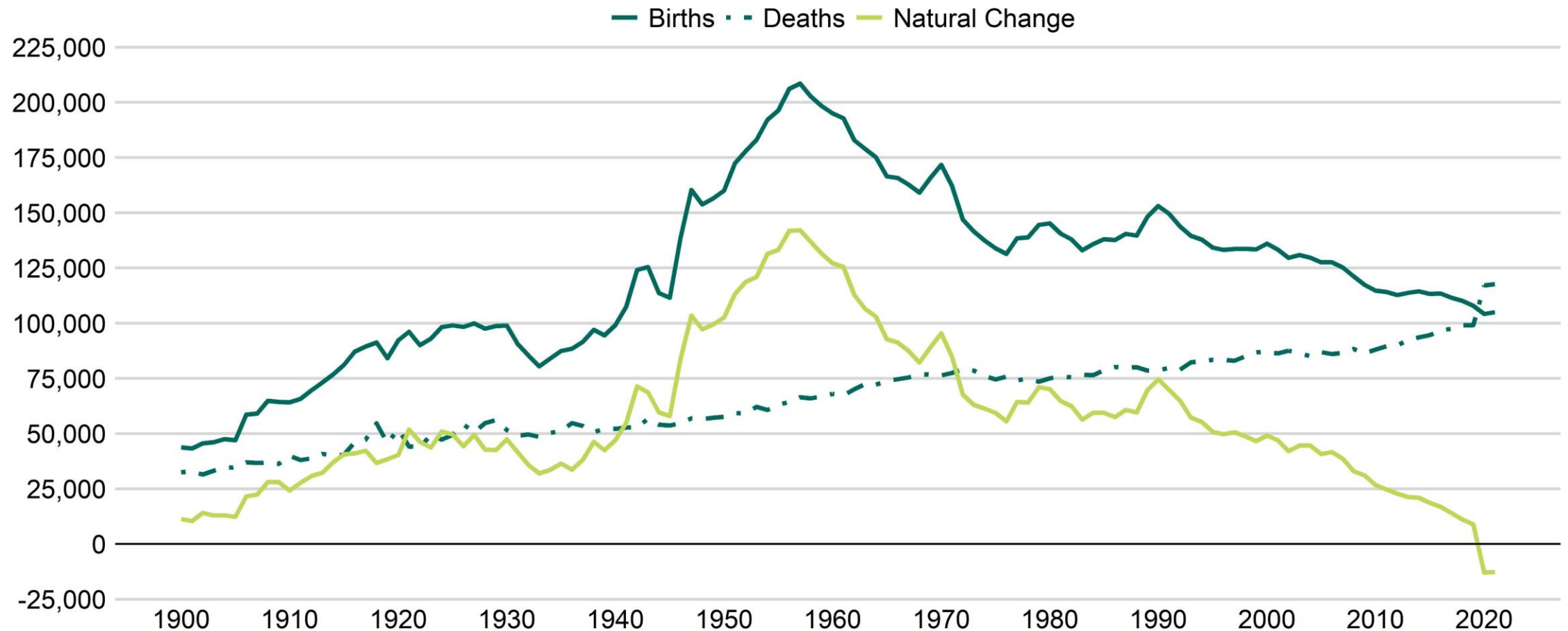
Total Fertility Rate Michigan and U.S., 1920-2021

(Average Number of Children Per Woman)



Historical Natural Change in Michigan, 1900–2021

(Births and Deaths)

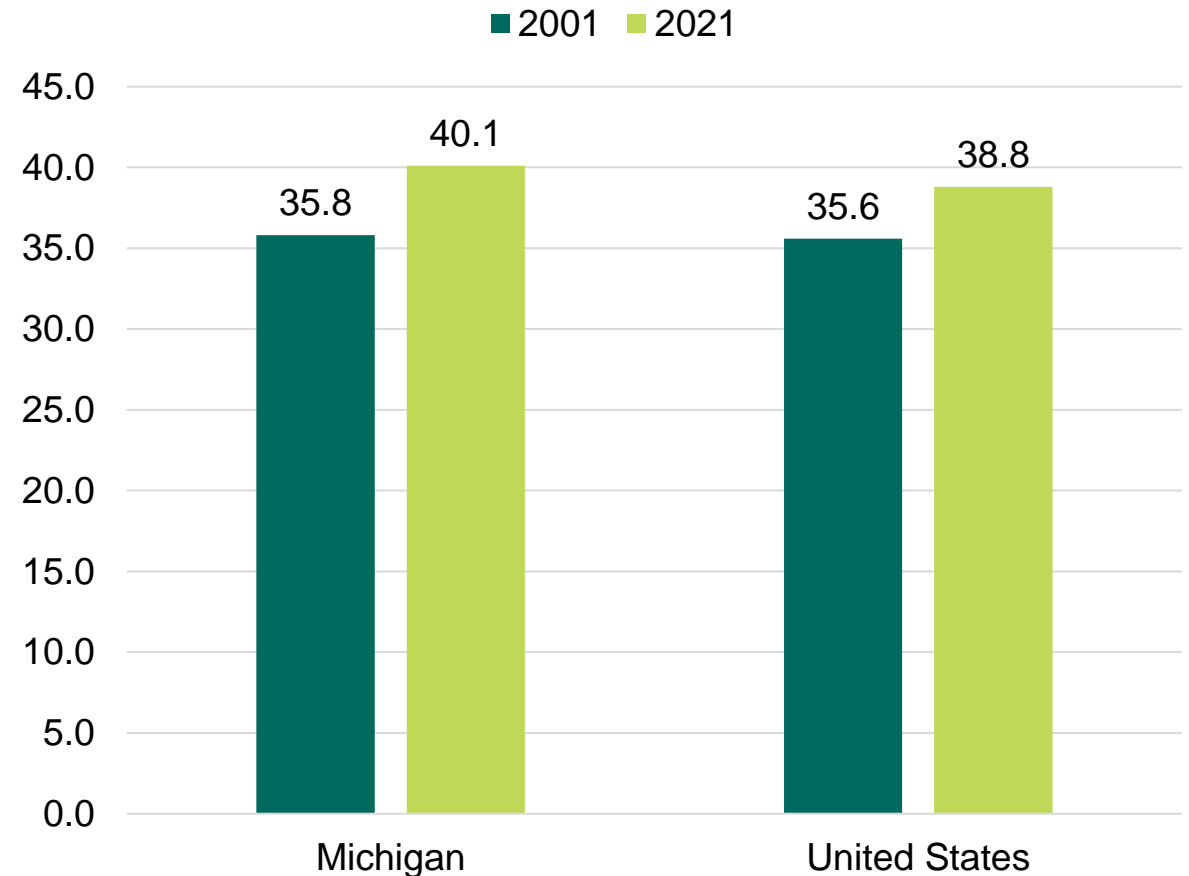


POPULATION AGING

AND THE WORK FORCE

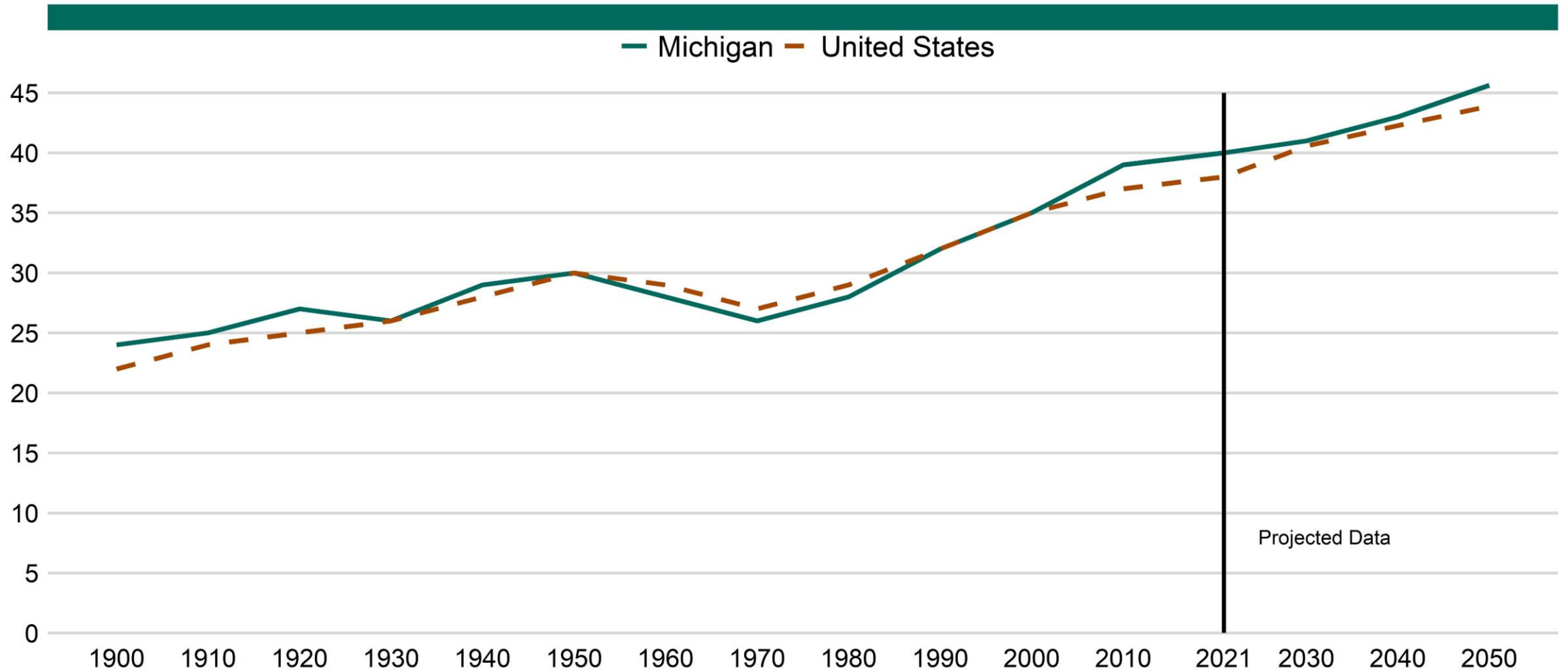
Michigan's population is aging at a faster rate than the nation.

- The median age in Michigan increased by 4.3 years between 2001 and 2021.
- Michigan was the 29th oldest state in 2001 but was now the 14th oldest state in 2021.
- Michigan had the largest increase in median age among Midwestern states over the period.



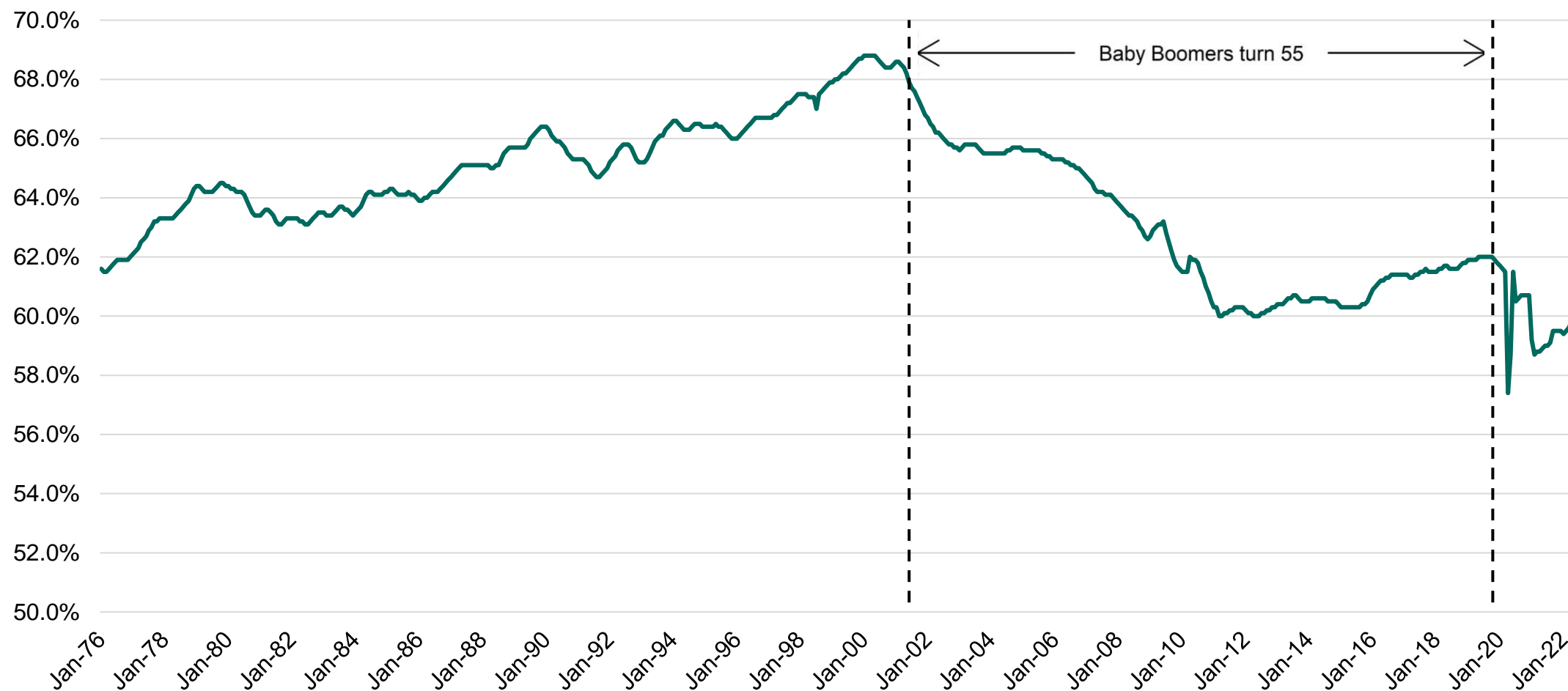
Source: Population and Intercensal Estimates, U.S. Census Bureau

Median Age, 1900-2050

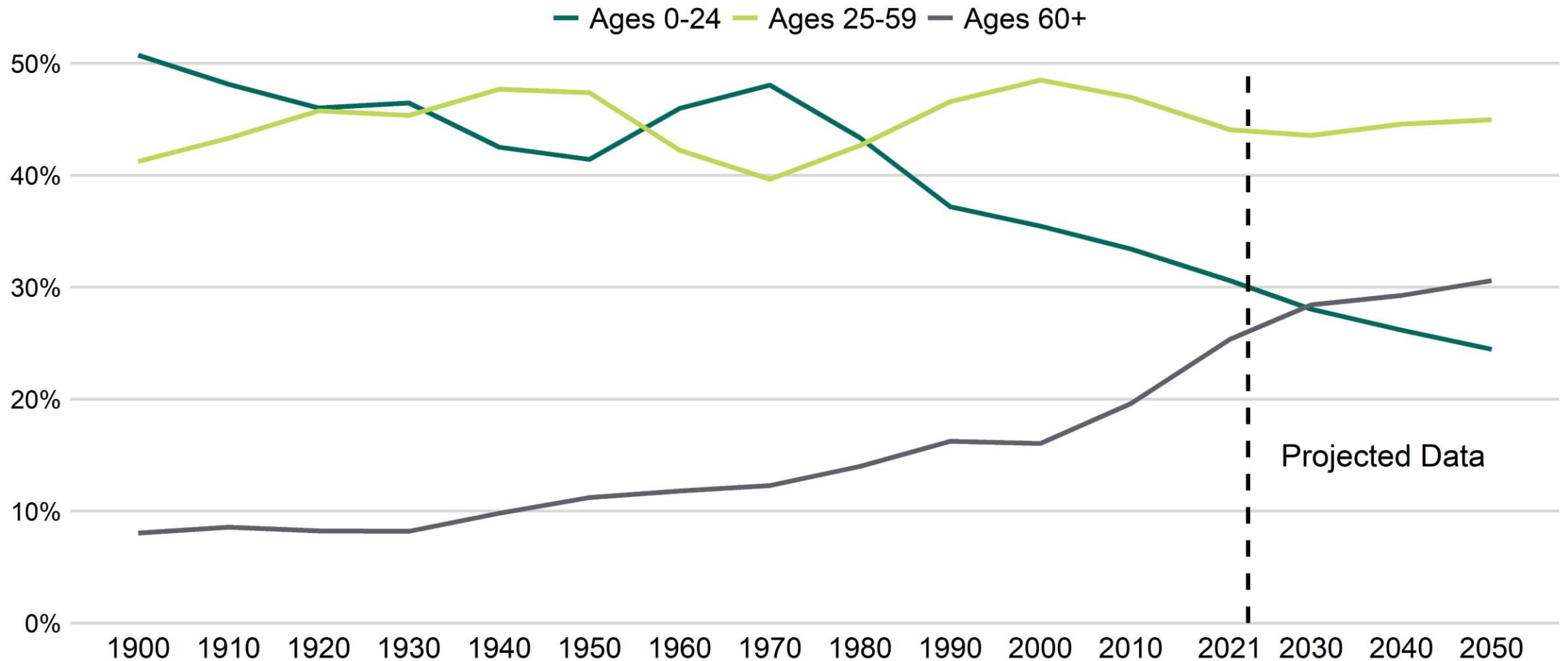


Michigan's Total Labor Force Participation Rate

(1976 through 2022)



Michigan Population Distribution by Age, 1900-2050

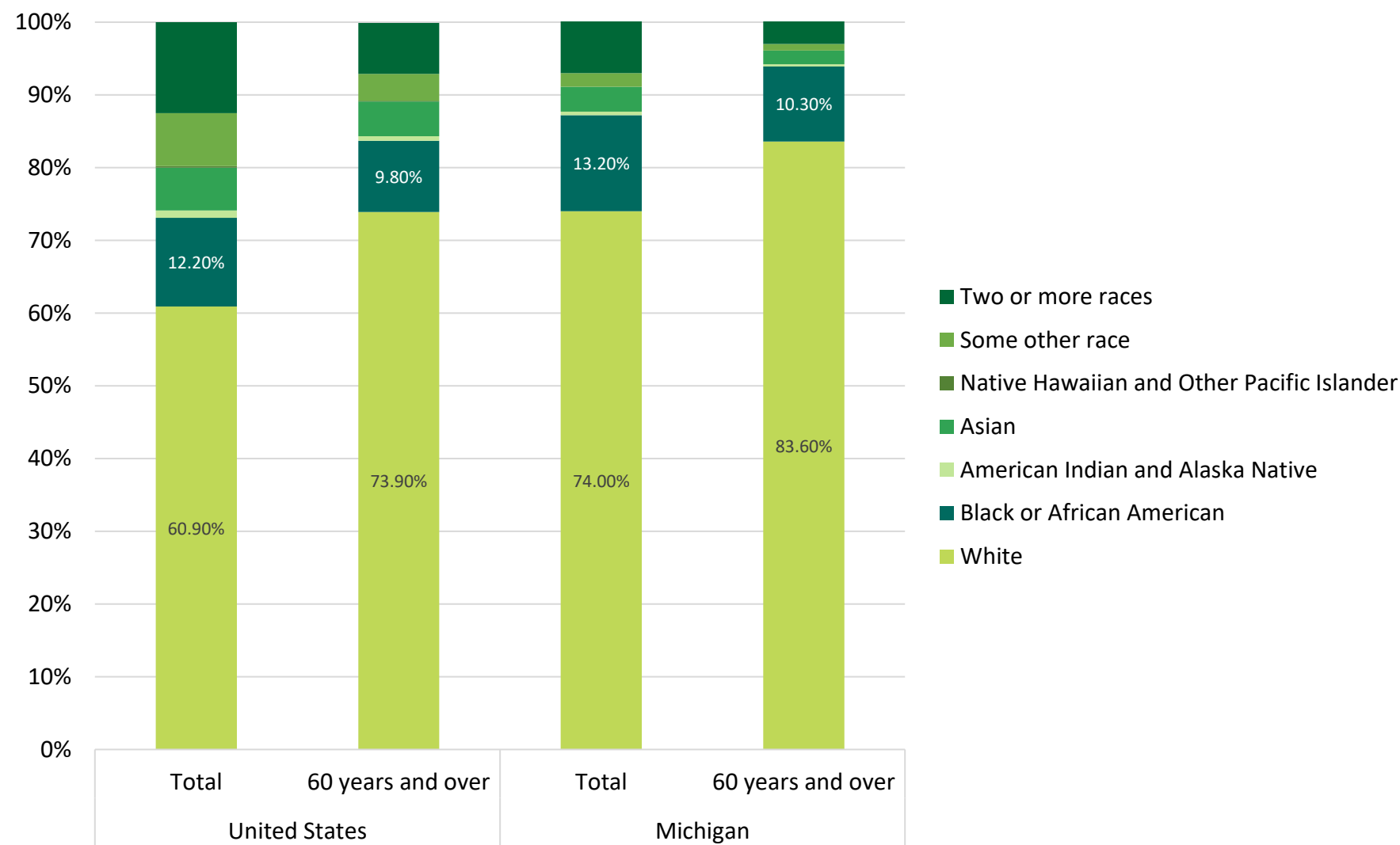


Key Takeaways on Population Aging and the Labor Force

- Historically, Michigan has had net negative migration among working-age adults, meaning the state loses more working-age adults than it gains.
- As the share of the working-age population remains flat or decreases relative to the share of the older population, there will be fewer workers to support the older population.
- The dynamics of population aging and declining labor force participation rates can contribute to labor shortages.

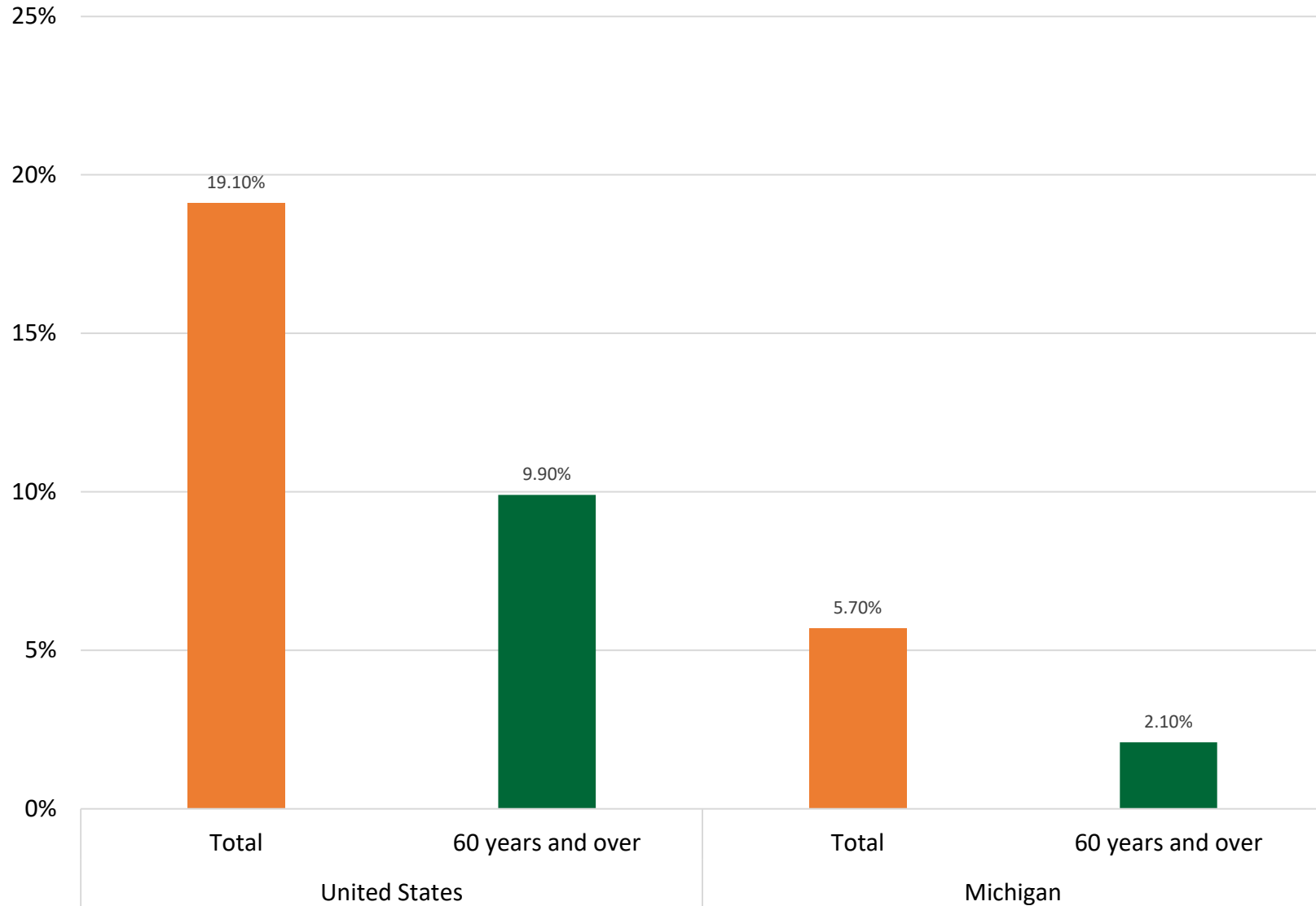
CHARACTERISTICS OF THE POPULATION AGES 60+

Racial Composition

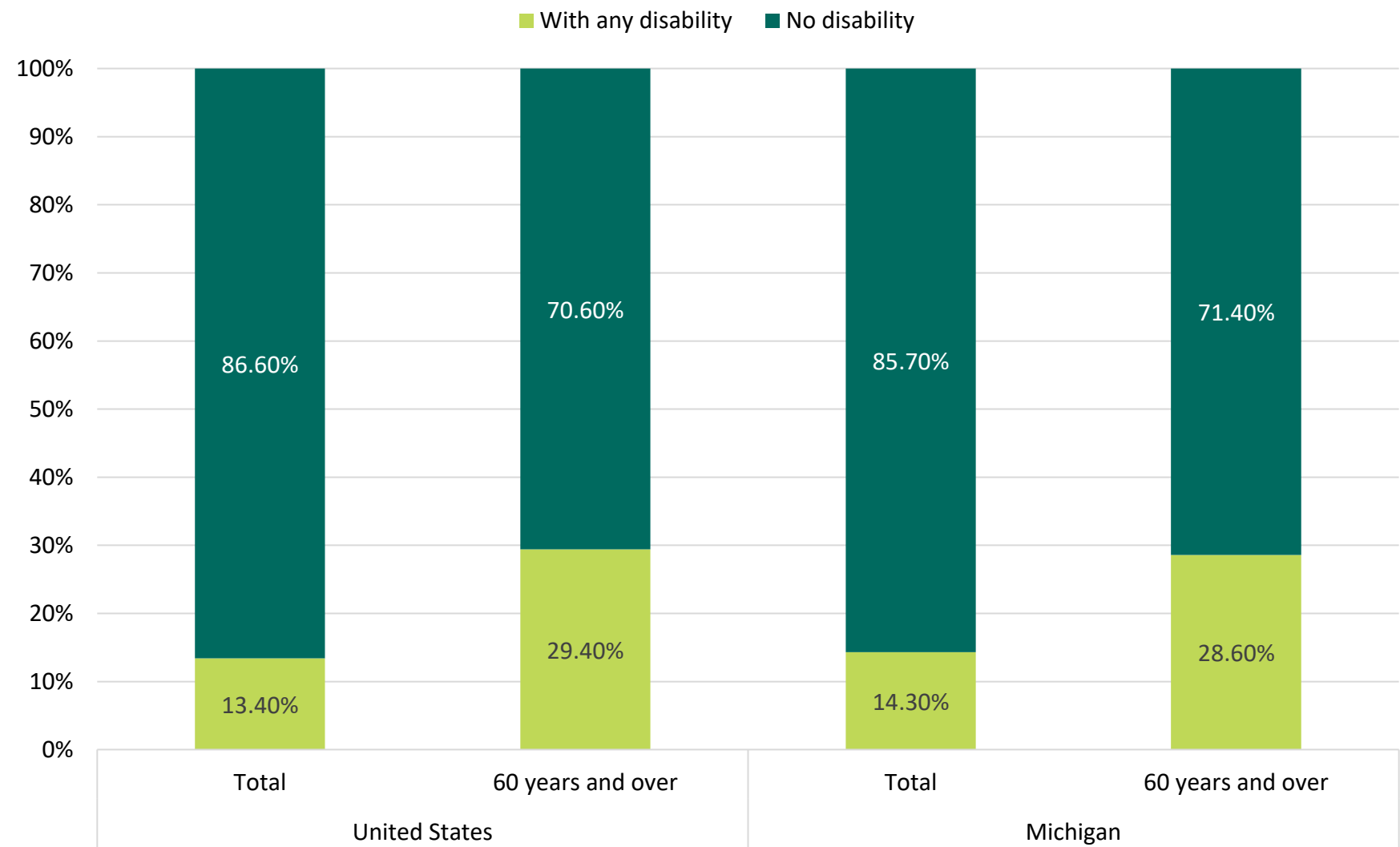


Source: Table S0102, American Community Survey (ACS) 2022 one-year estimates

Hispanic or Latino origin (of any race)

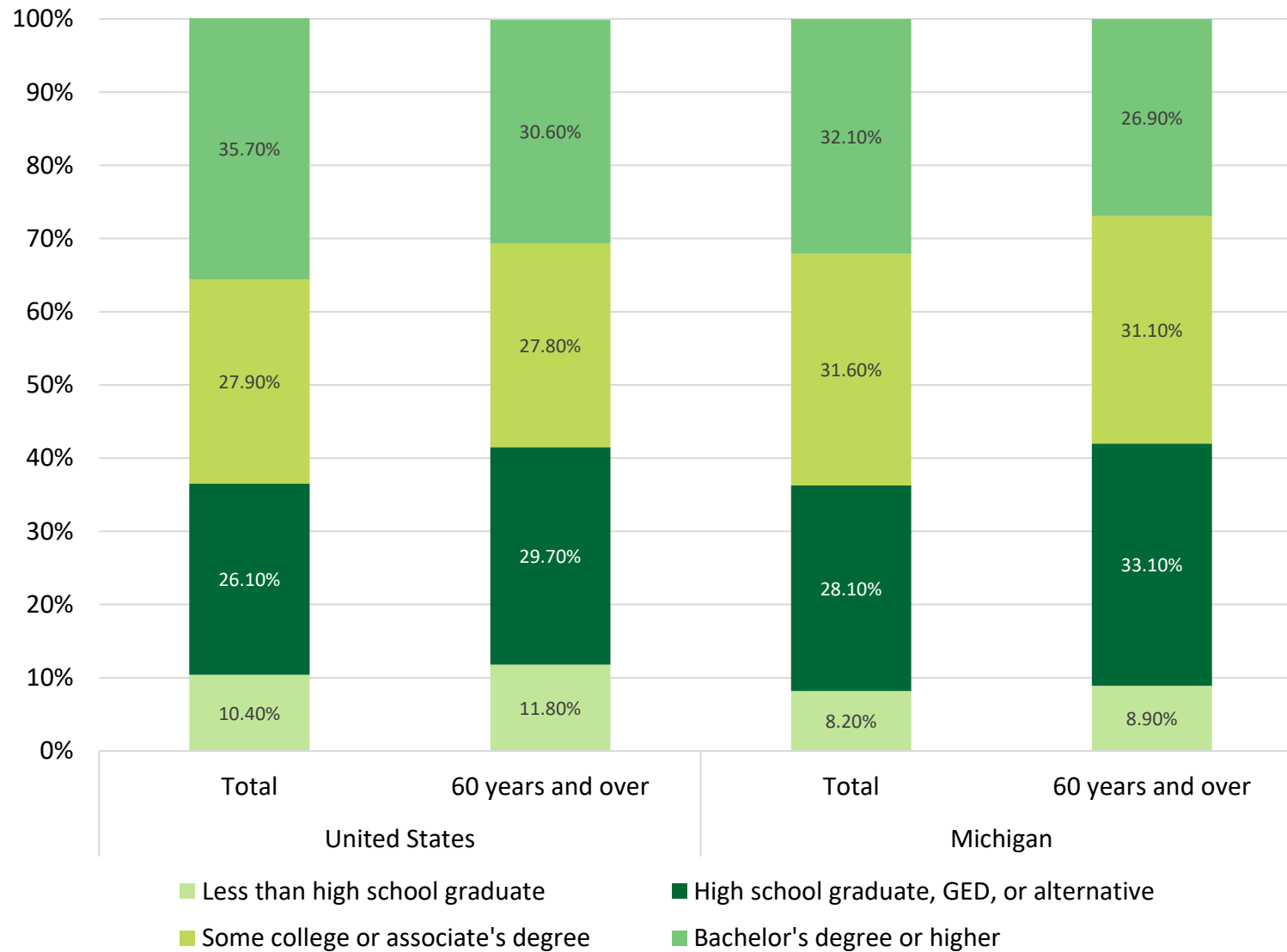


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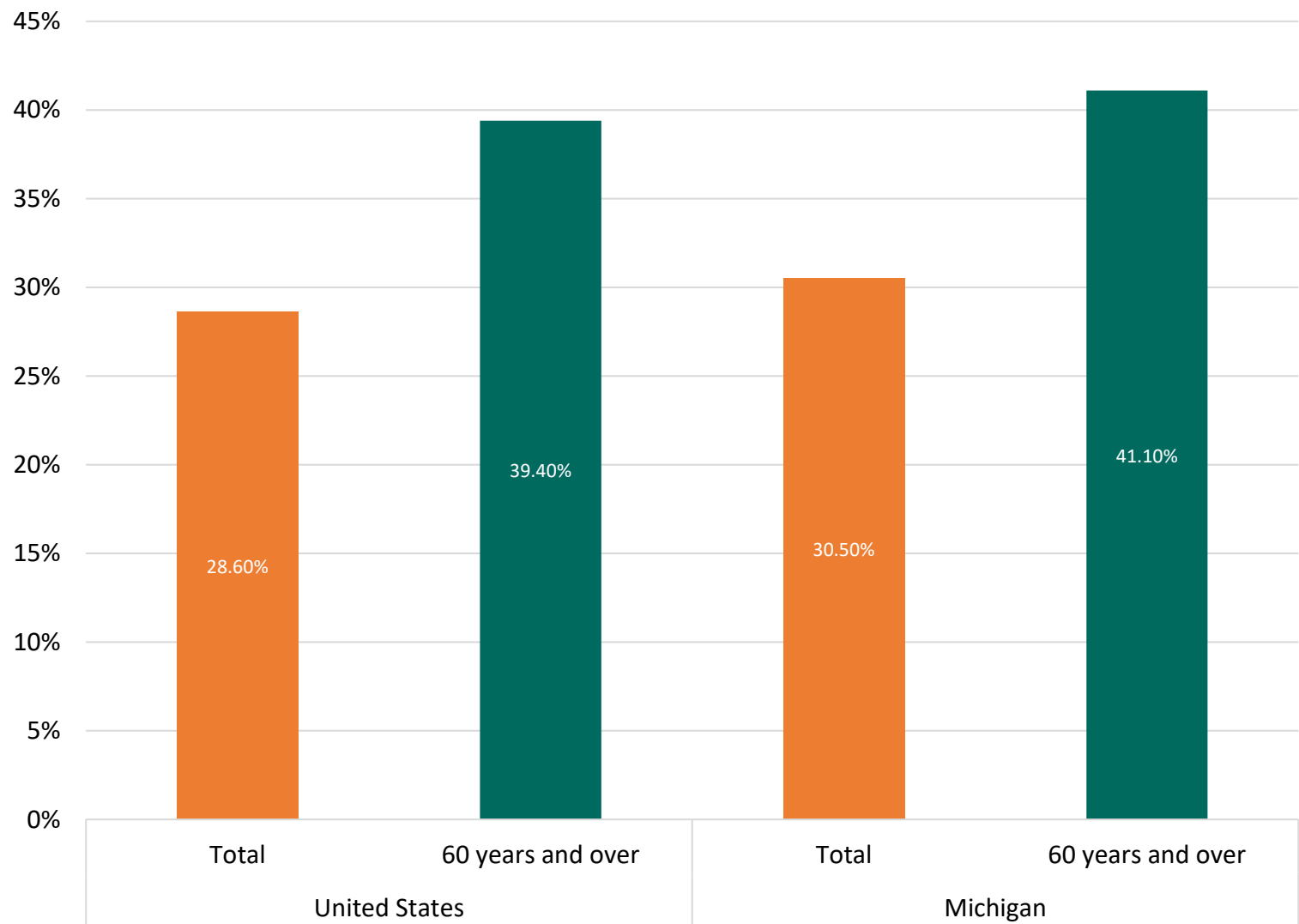


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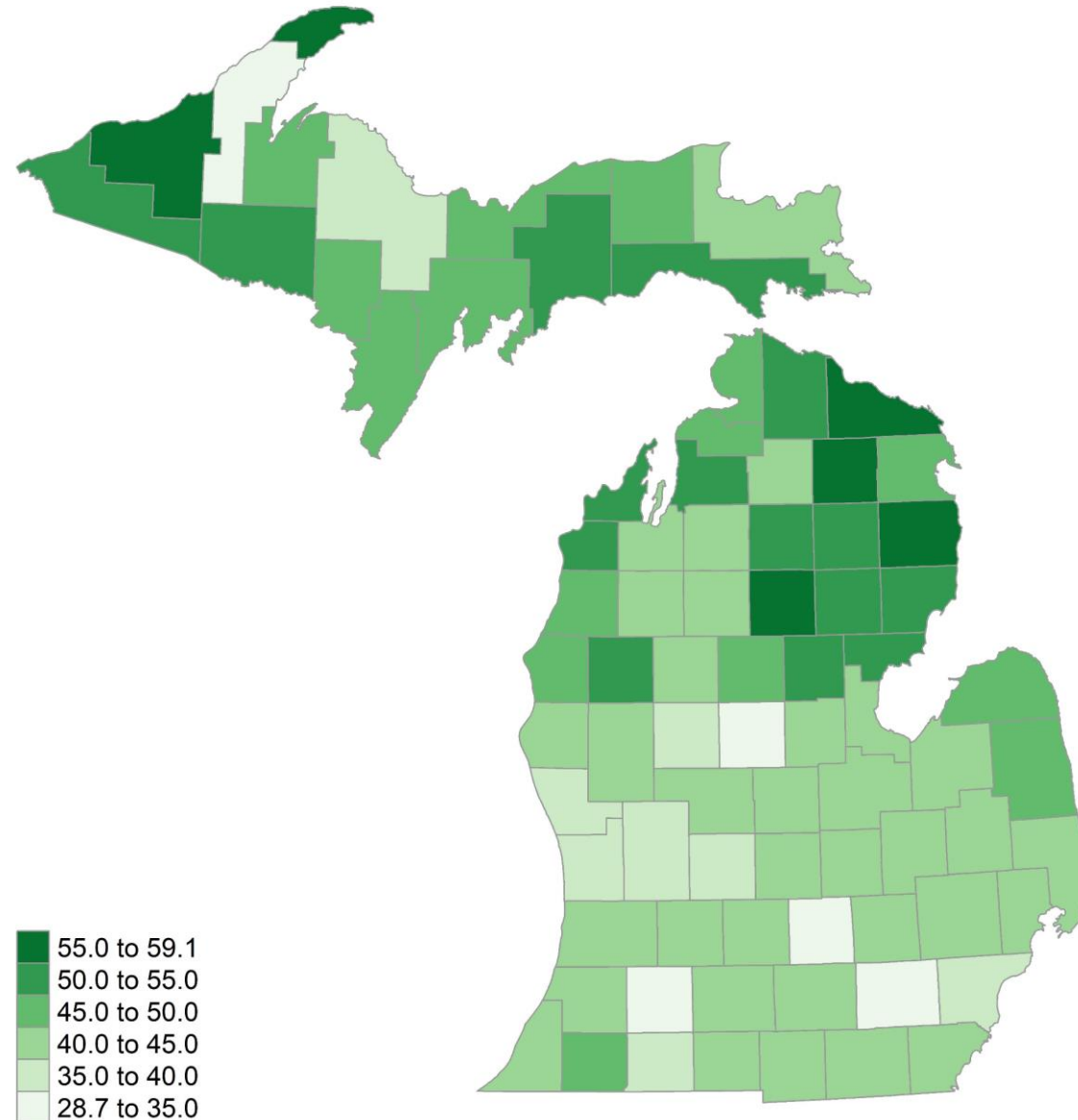


Householder Living Alone



Source: Table S0102, American Community Survey (ACS) 2022 one-year estimates

Median Age of Michigan's Counties in 2020

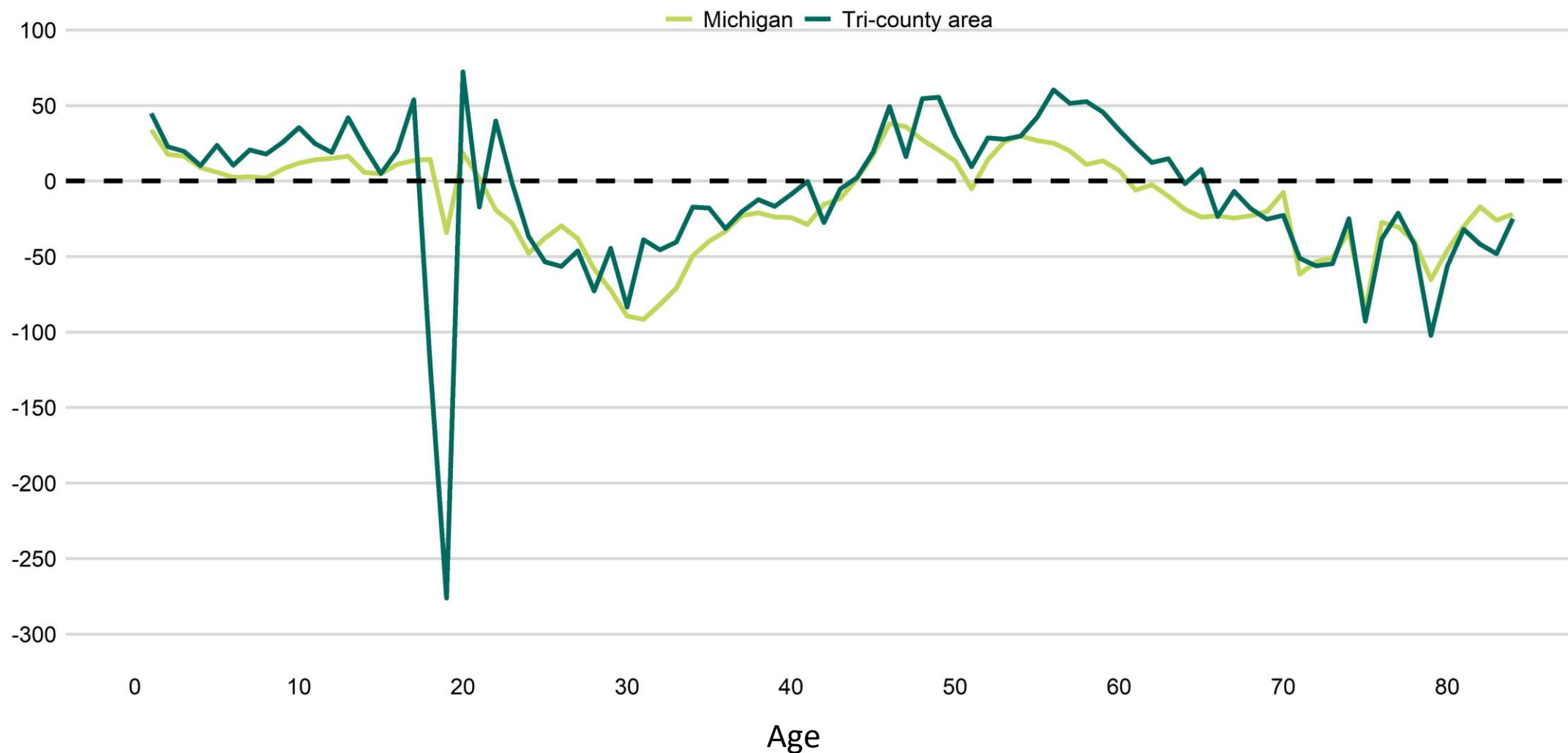


Source: American Community Survey (ACS) 2016-2020 five-year estimates, U.S. Census Bureau

Age-Specific Net Migration Rate

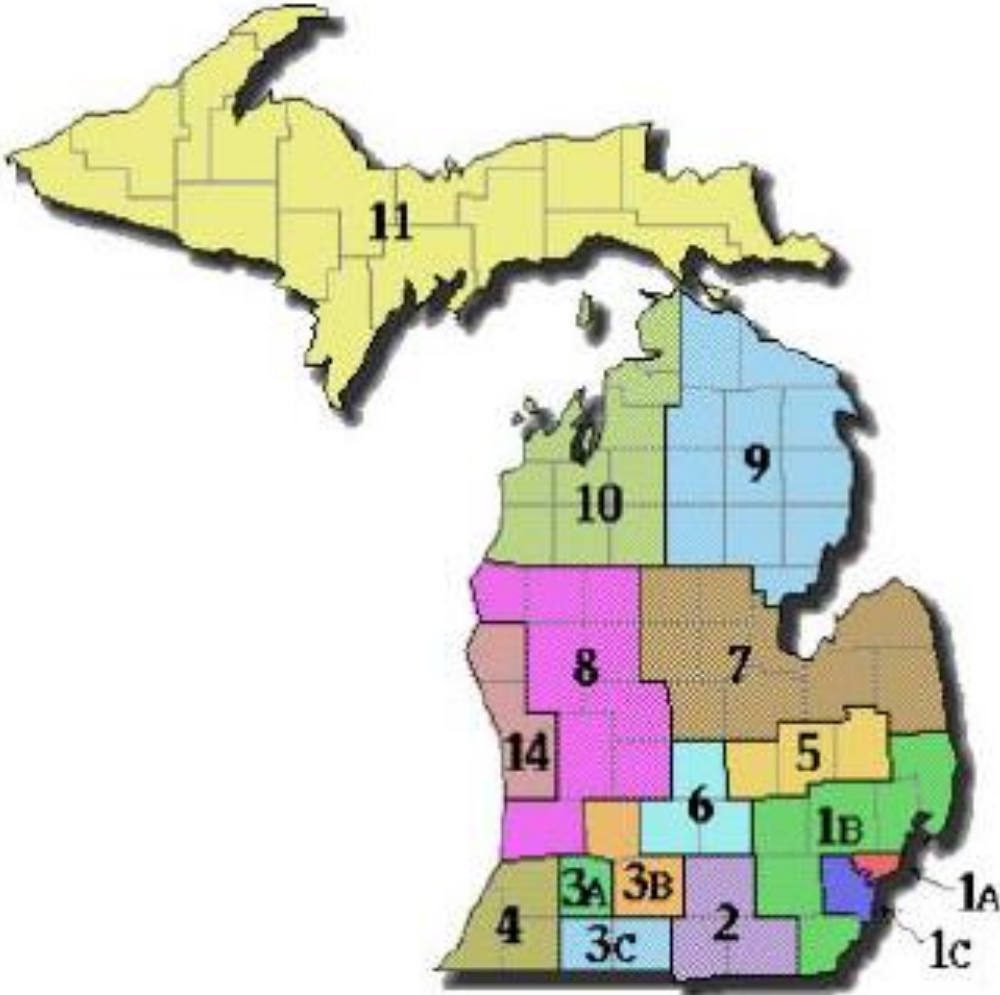
Annual net migration per 1,000 people in 2017-2021

Source: Population Estimates Program, U.S. Census Bureau; Michigan Department of Health and Human Services



PSAs ranked by percentage 60+ population

1. Region 9	34.0%
2. Region 10	28.2%
3. Region 11	27.5%
4. Region 4	24.8%
5. Region 7	24.3%
6. Region 2	23.2%
7. Region 3-B	23.3%
8. Region 5	22.3%
9. Region 3-C	23.1%
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10. Region 1-B	21.3%
11. Region 1-C	20.8%
12. Region 14	20.2%
13. Region 8	19.8%
14. Region 6	19.5%
15. Region 3-A	19.3%
16. Region 1-A	18.6%
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Michigan	21.9%



Source: Census Bureau Custom Tabulation, ACS 2017-2021 five-year

PSAs with highest percentages of racial-ethnic minorities, ages 60+

1. Region 1-A: 79.8%
2. Region 1-C: 15.7%
3. Region 5: 14.7%

Greatest percent increase in racial-ethnic minority population, ages 60+

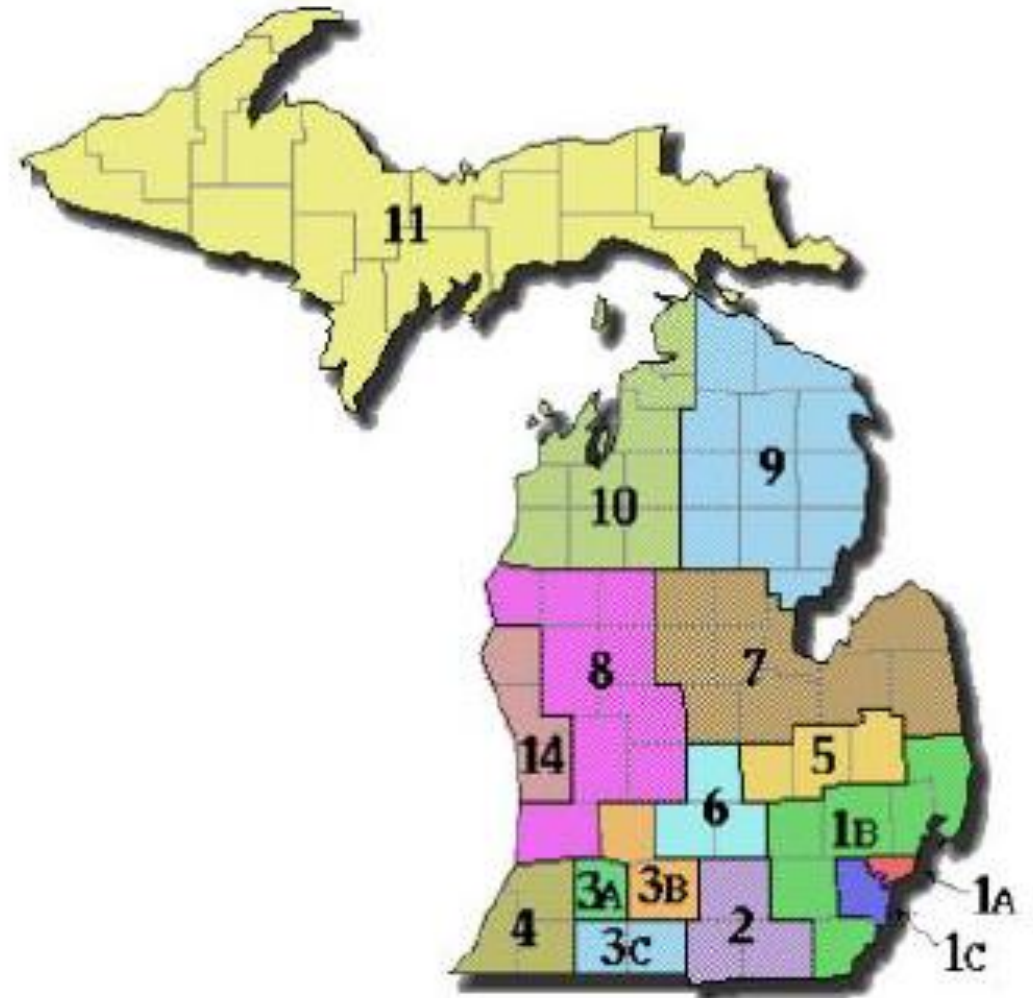
1. Region 9: 57.7%
2. Region 10: 54.1%
3. Region 3-C: 50.9%

Greatest percentage point increase in racial-ethnic minority population, ages 60+

1. Region 1-C
2. Region 6
3. Region 1-A

Highest concentrations of populations ages 60+ with limited English proficiency

1. Region 1-C: 3.4%
2. Region 1-A: 3.0%
3. Region 1-B: 2.5%



Source: Census Bureau Custom Tabulation, ACS 2017-2021 and ACS 2012-2016 five-year

How to Stay Up-to-Date on Michigan Population and Labor Market Information

Website:

www.Michigan.gov/LMI

Research products:

www.MILMI.org/research

Twitter:

www.Twitter.com/MiDataAnalytics

Email updates:

www.Michigan.gov/LMIsubscribe

Thank you!

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