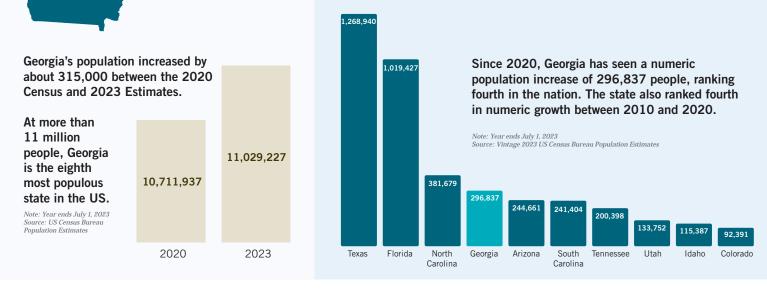
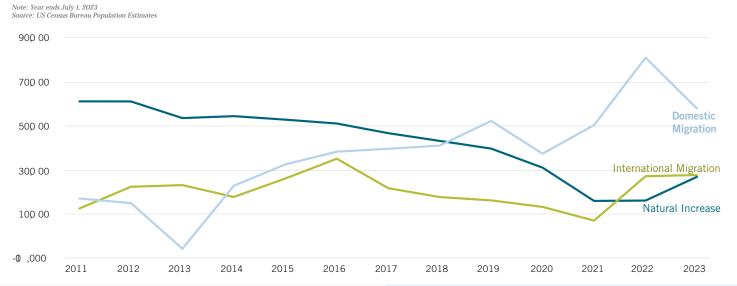
## Georgia's DEMOGRAPHIC SNAPSHOT



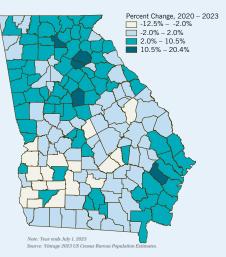
As the number of births have declined and the population ages, domestic migration, or people moving to Georgia from other states, has driven population growth in the Peach State.



Georgia's population is largely concentrated in the Atlanta metro area. According to the 2020 Census, nearly one in three Georgians lived in the four counties shown in dark brown on the map: Cobb, DeKalb, Fulton, and Gwinnett. Another third of the population resided in the 21 counties depicted in light brown. Another third live in the 134 counties depicted in gray.

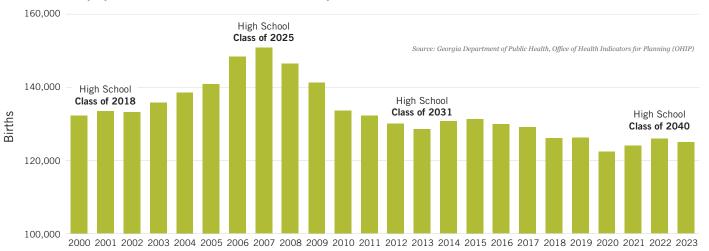


Suburban and exurban areas of the Atlanta and Savannah metropolitan areas have experienced the fastest population growth since 2020. Other counties in Middle and Southwest Georgia have lost population since the 2020 Census.



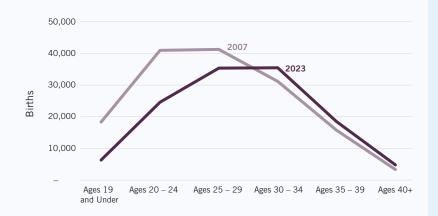


The number of births in Georgia peaked in 2007. This has long-term impacts on the state's education system and the future workforce. For instance, students born in 2007 will graduate high school in 2025. Therefore, the state's graduating high school classes are projected to be smaller for the next several years.



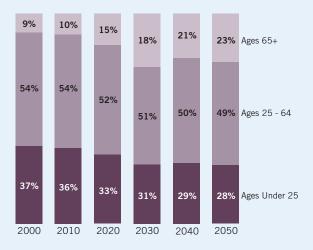
Fertility in Georgia is shifting across age cohorts. Births to women aged 30 and older have increased. Meanwhile, there are fewer births to women under age 30. This shift in Georgia's fertility arc contributes to smaller family sizes and slower population growth.

 $Source: Georgia\ Department\ of\ Public\ Health,\ Office\ of\ Health\ Indicators\ for\ Planning\ (OHIP)$ 



Georgia's population is aging. While the growth rate of the youth population is stagnant, the segment of the population aged 65 and older is the fastest-growing in the state. Consequently, the number and the percentage of Georgians aged 65 and over is projected to increase in the coming decades.

Source: Governor's Office of Planning and Budget, 2024 Series Population Projections



Georgia's racial and ethnic demographics differ across age groups. Younger Georgians are more racially and ethnically diverse than older age groups. This indicates that the state's population is likely to become even more diverse in the future.

Source: Vintage 2021 US Census Bureau Population Estimates

