

# Demographic Changes in Rural Oregon 1990 to 2000 and Dynamics of Future Change

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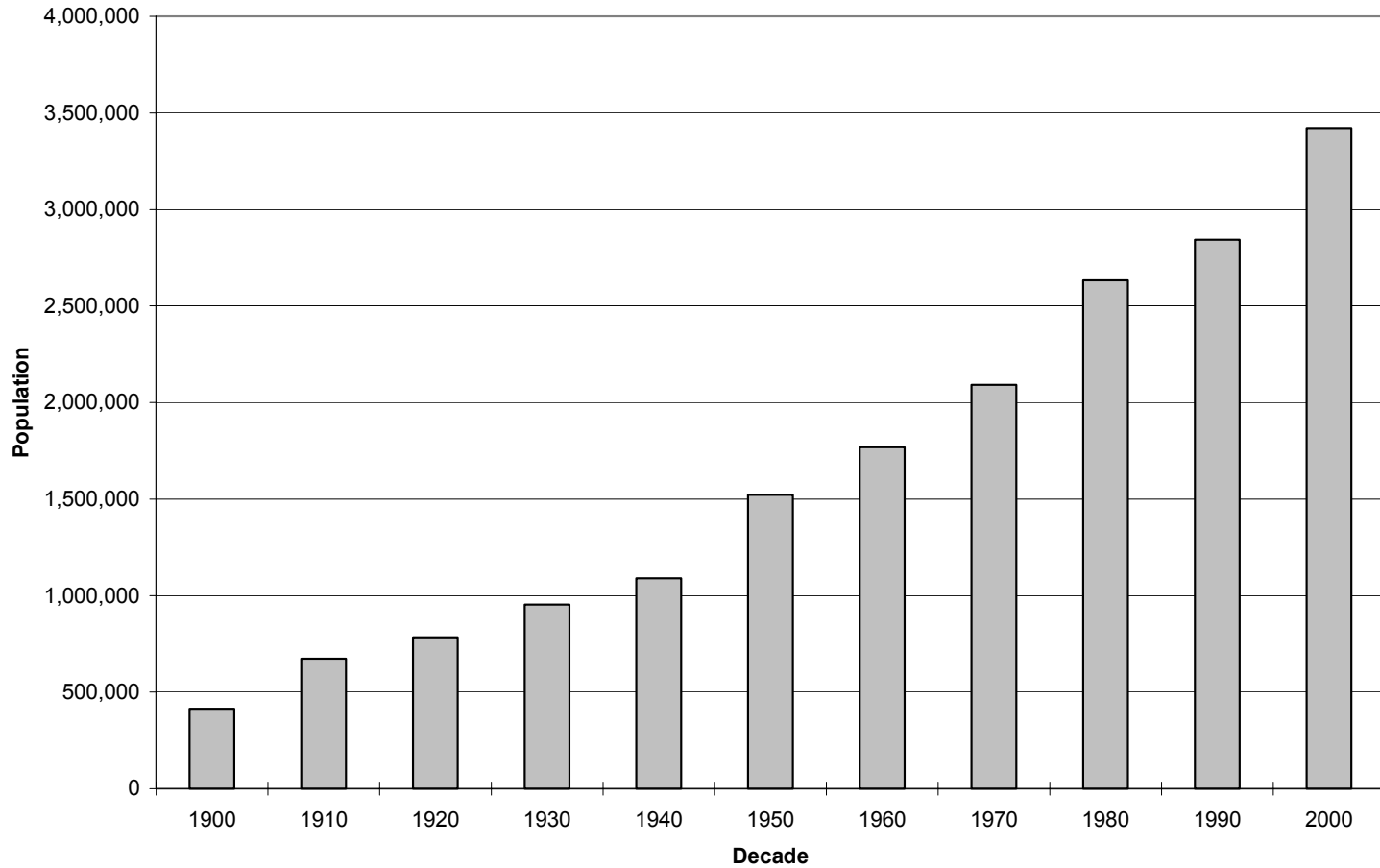
# Population Change

- Oregon grew in Absolute and Relative Ways reflecting economic conditions from 1900-2000
- Washington county led the way in Absolute and Relative Change adding over 130,000 person and growing by over 40 percent from 1990-2000
- Deschutes County had the highest Relative Growth at almost 54 percent, but Absolute Growth of just over 40,000 persons



# Oregon Grew Consistently During the Century

Population of Oregon 1900 to 2000



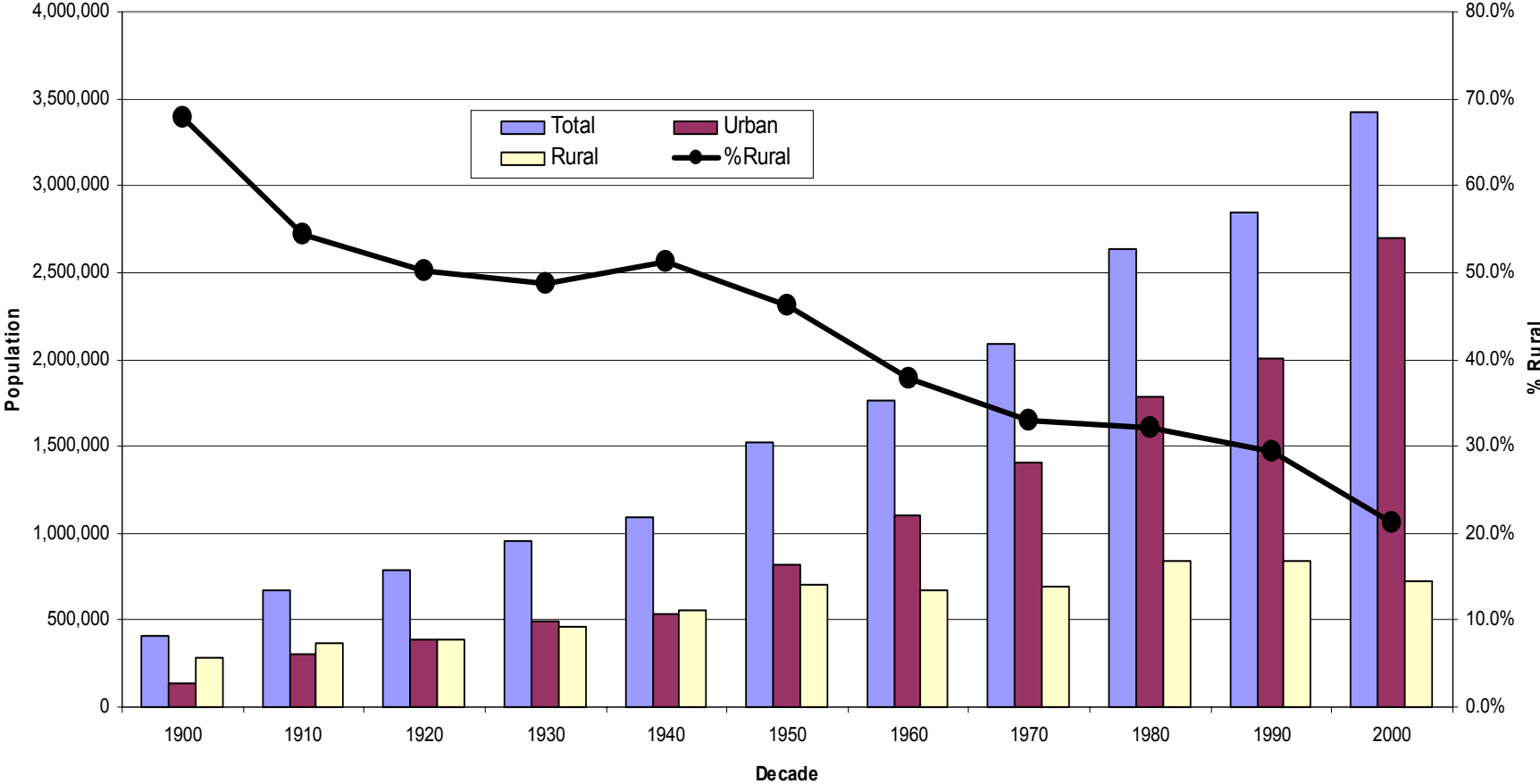
# Population Changes 1900 to 2000 Reflect Decade Economic Conditions

**Absolute and Relative Population Change in Oregon by Decade 1900-2000**



# Urban/Rural Populations 1900 to 2000 Reflect Decline in Oregon as a Natural Resource State Economy

**Total, Urban, and Rural Populations for Oregon, 1900 to 2000**



# Oregon's Urban Population 2000 – The Coast, The Valley, Interstates

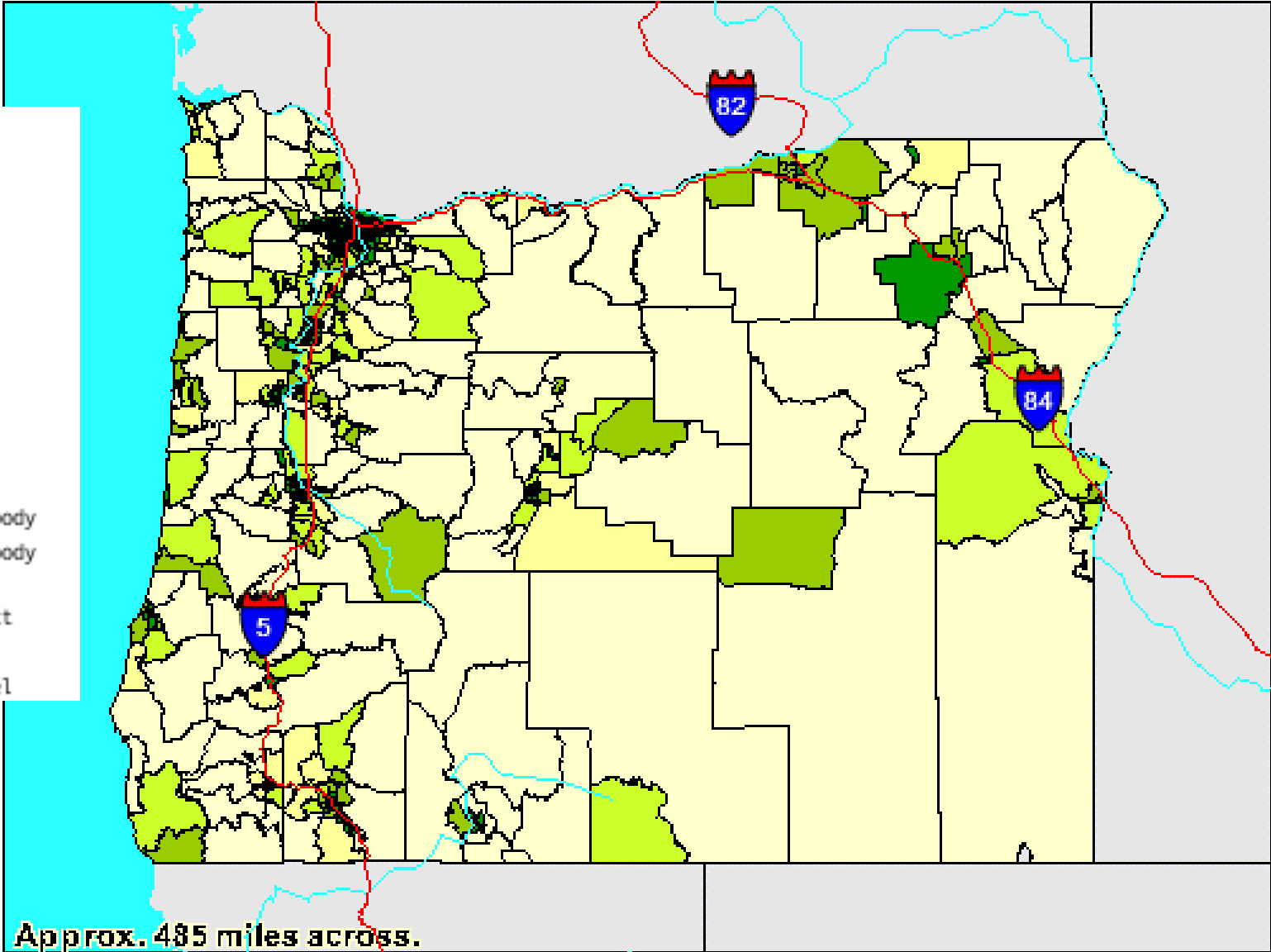
## Data Classes

Percent	
0.0 - 12.9	Lightest yellow
14.9 - 40.9	Yellow
43.8 - 66.4	Light green
67.1 - 88.2	Medium green
88.8 - 100.0	Dark green

## Features

- Major Road (Red line)
- Street (Thin black line)
- Stream/Waterbody (Cyan line)
- Stream/Waterbody (Thick cyan line)

Items in gray text are not visible at this zoom level





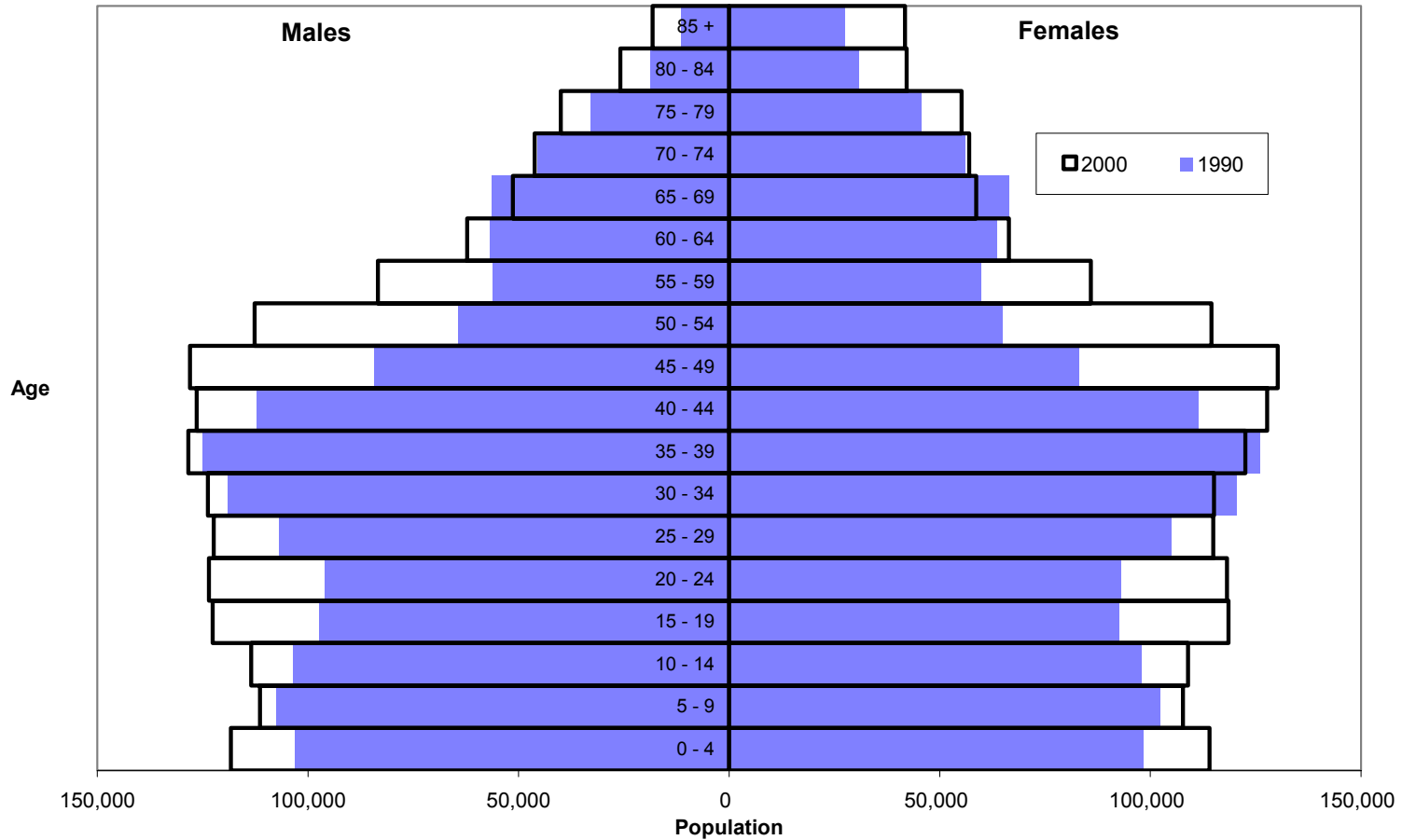
# Age Dynamics for Oregon

- Oregon Gained 400,000 residents through Net In-Migration, 430,000 through Births and Lost 273,000 through Deaths for the Decade
- Urban and Rural Age Changes Reveal Opposite Dynamics – Rapid Aging in Rural Counties
- Deschutes County Experienced Growth Across All Age Groups due to a Large Influx of New Residents
- Curry County Also Experienced Growth, but Represented a Retirement Destination
- Columbia County appealed to those later in the lifecycle with Proximity to Urban Amenities
- Tillamook County Represented a Stable Rural County, Offering Economic Opportunities to Many Age Segments



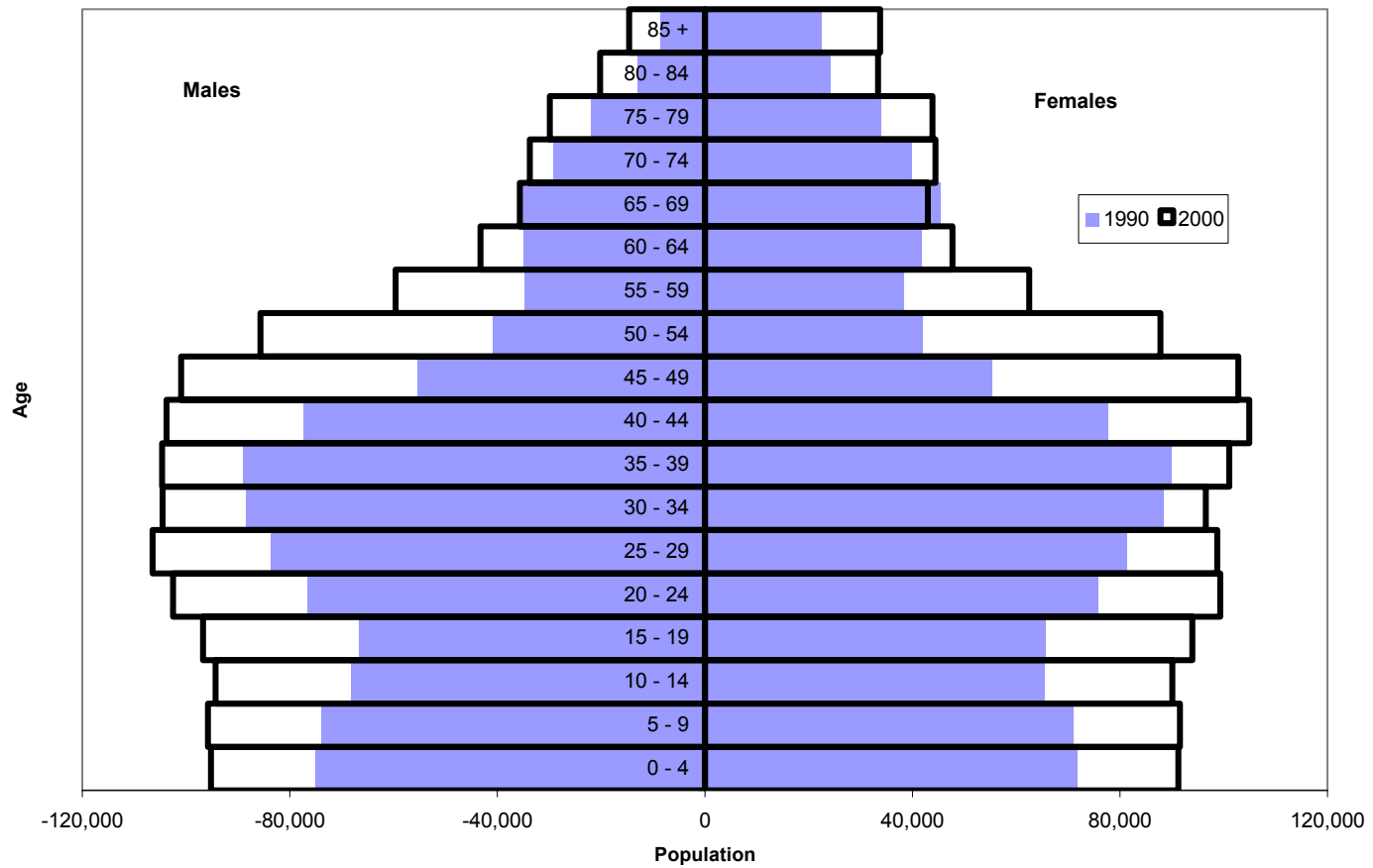
# The Oregon Population Saw Gains in All Ages Except Some of the Elderly Groups and Females in their 30s

Age Distribution  
Oregon 1990 and 2000



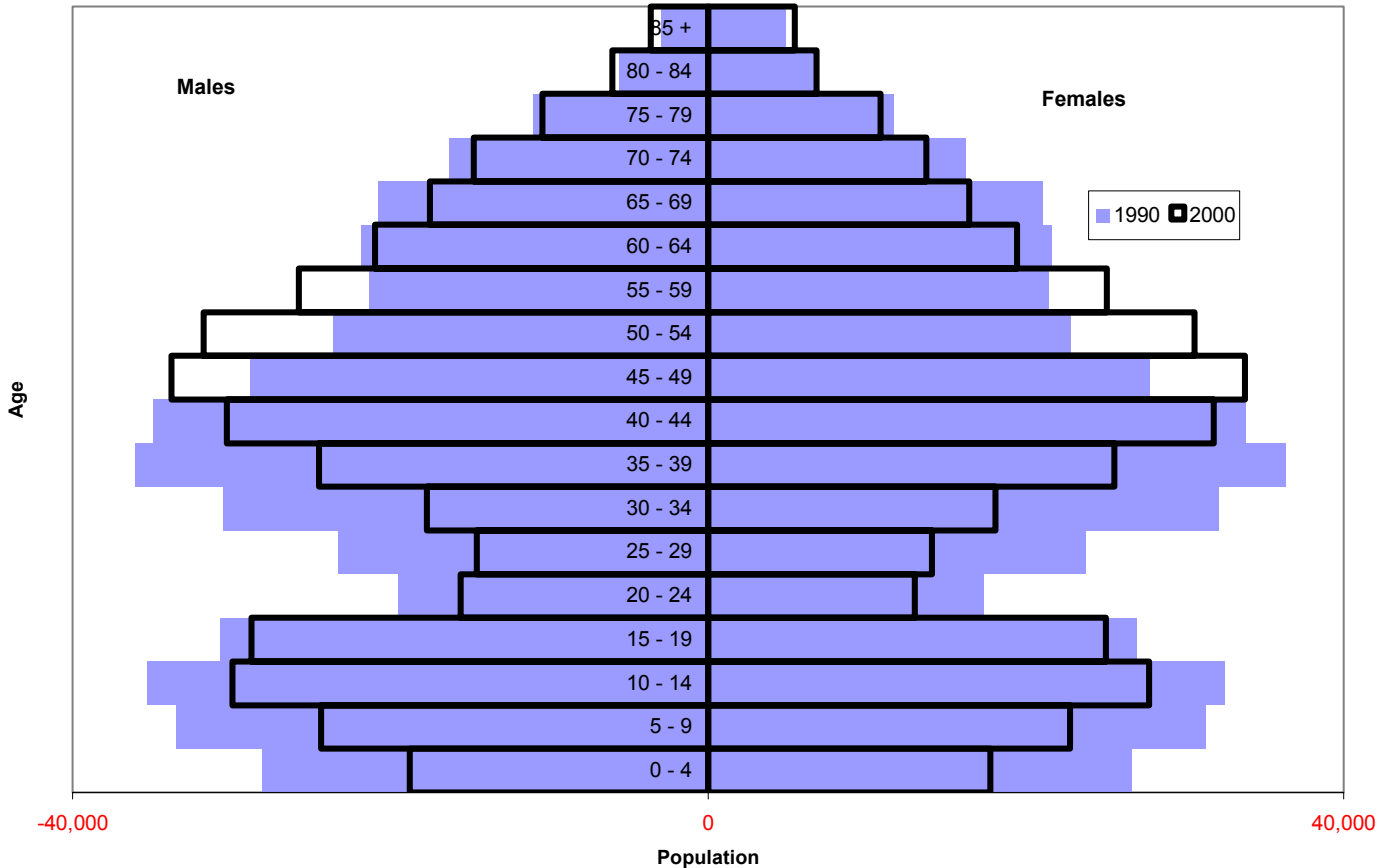
# Urban Oregon Population Experienced Gains in All Age Groups

Oregon Urban Population Age Distribution  
1990 and 2000



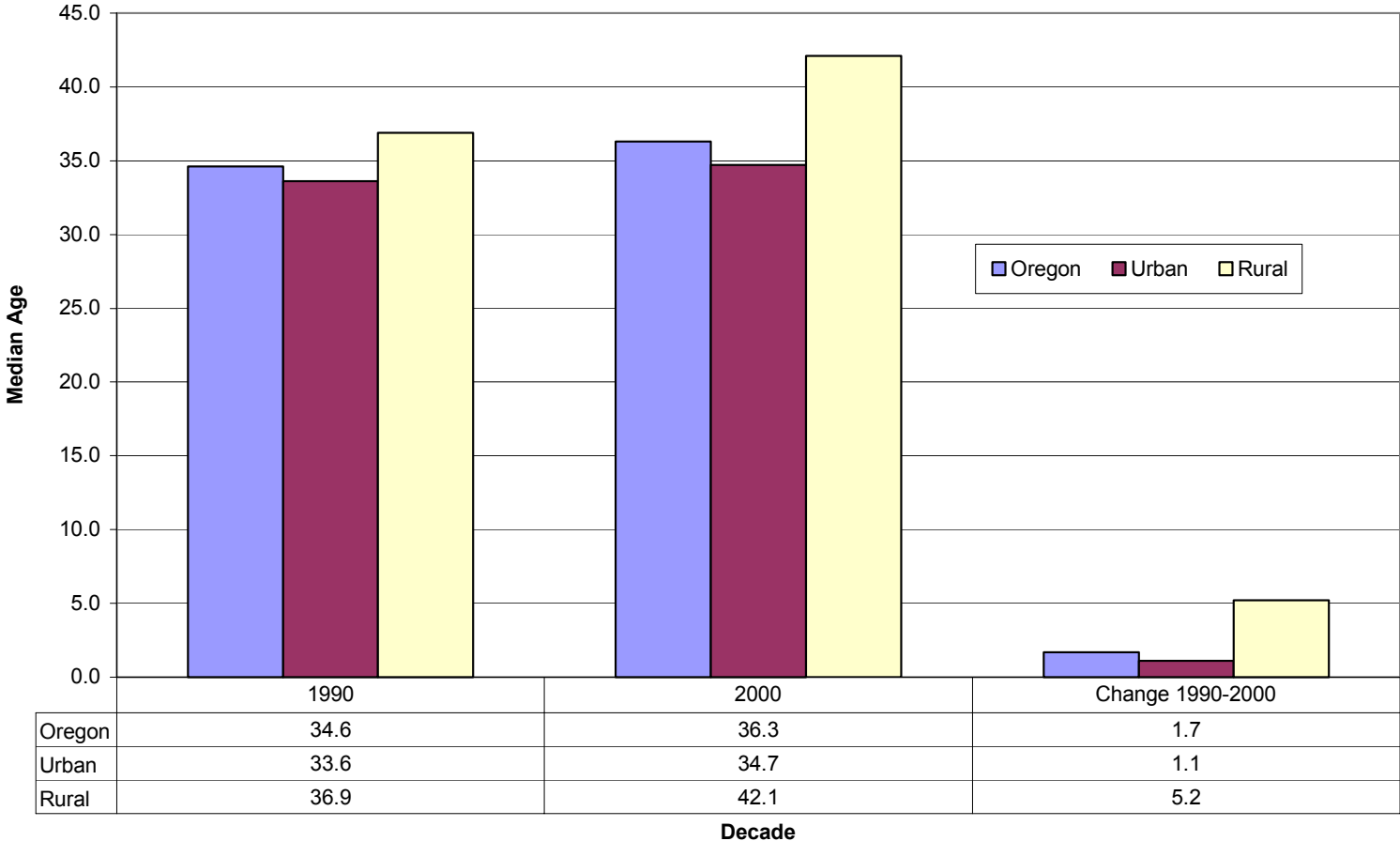
# Rural Oregon Population Experienced Losses in Most Age Groups

Oregon Rural Population Age Distribution  
1990 and 2000



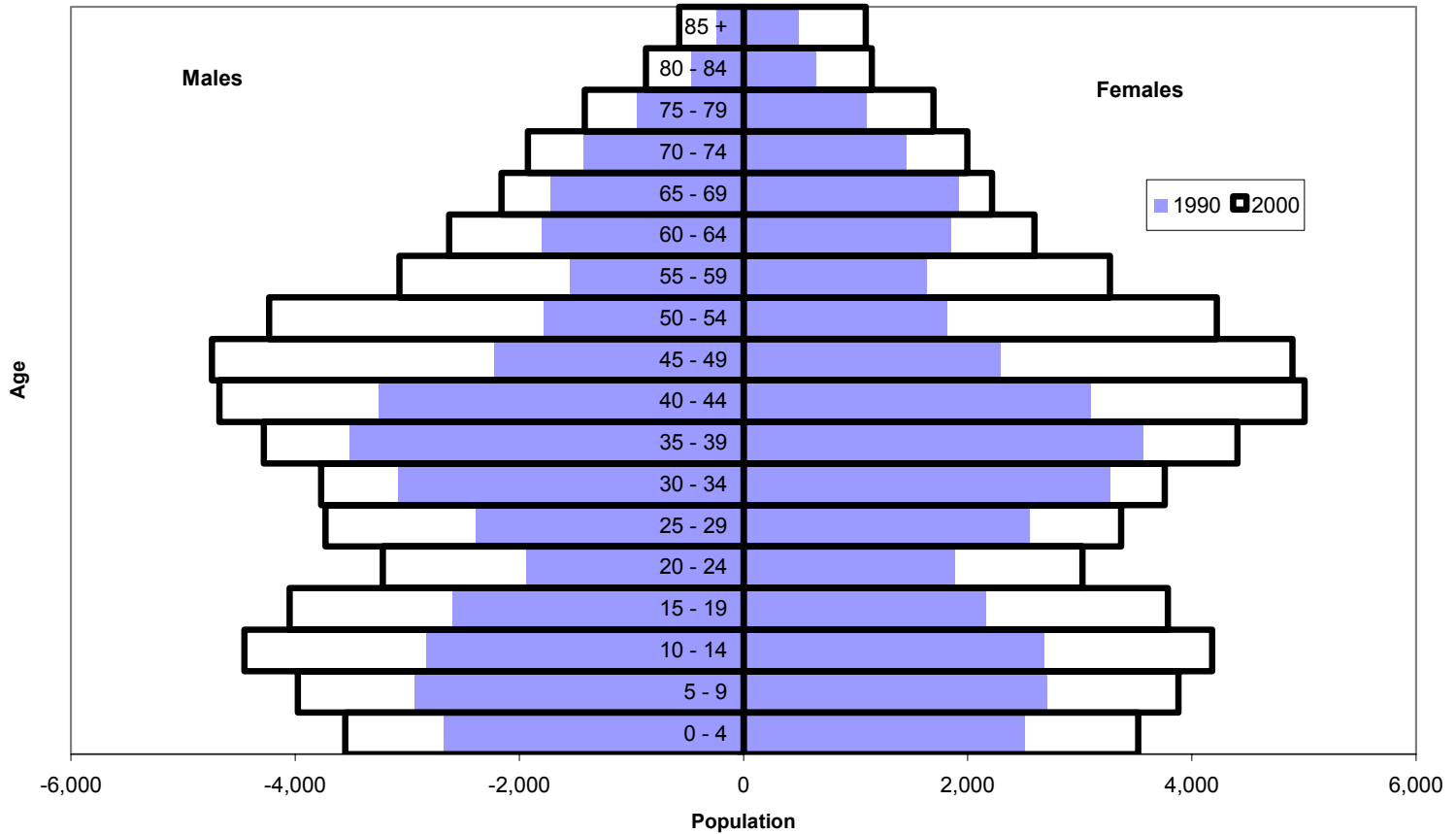
# Rural Oregon Population Experienced Dramatic Aging of the Population

Median Age of Oregon Population by Urban/Rural 1990 and 2000



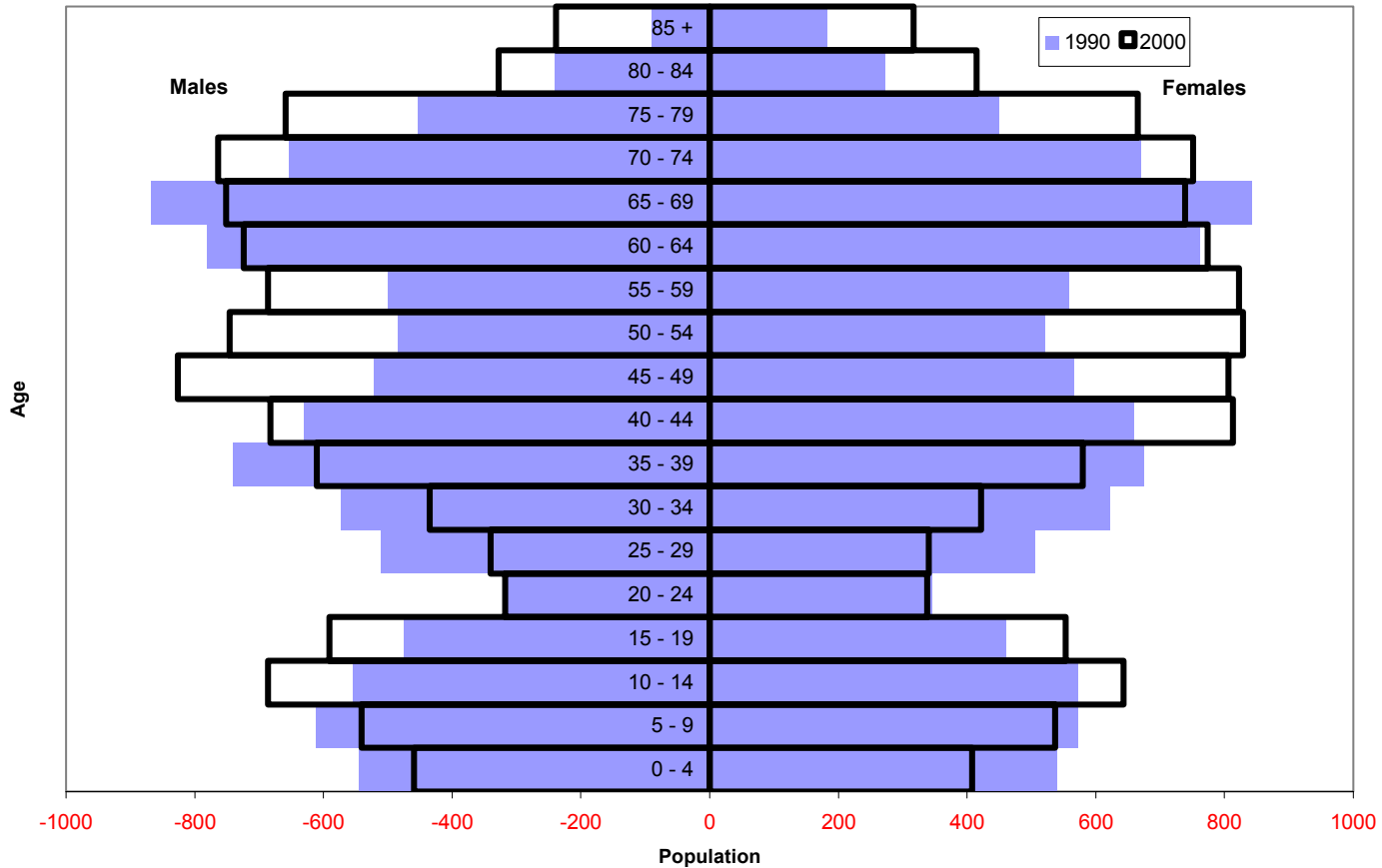
# Deschutes County Population Changed from a Rural to Urban County During the 1990s

**Deschutes County Population Age Distribution  
1990 and 2000**



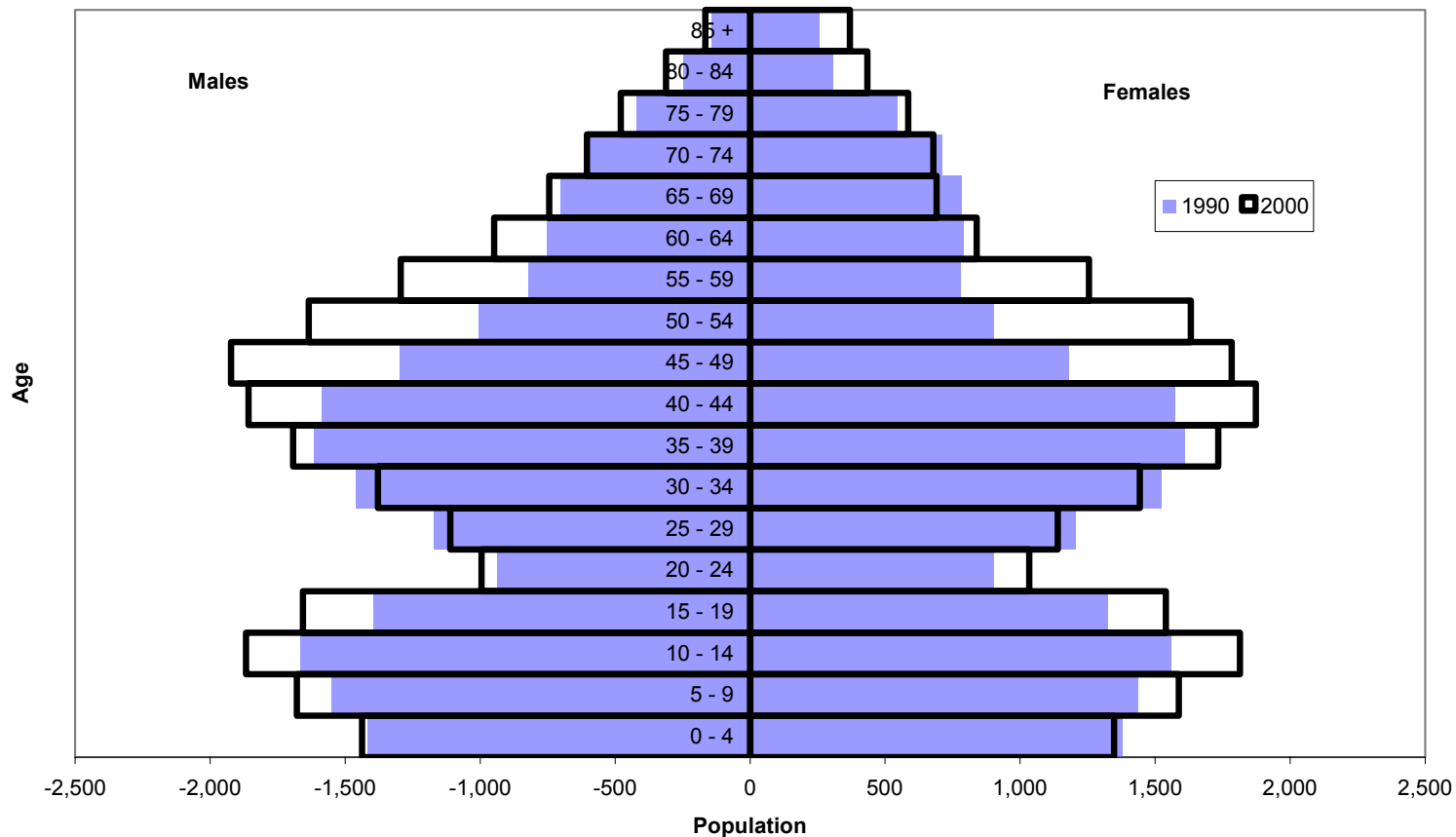
# Curry County Population Changed from a Rural to Urban Retirement County During the 1990s

Curry County Population Age Distribution  
1990 and 2000



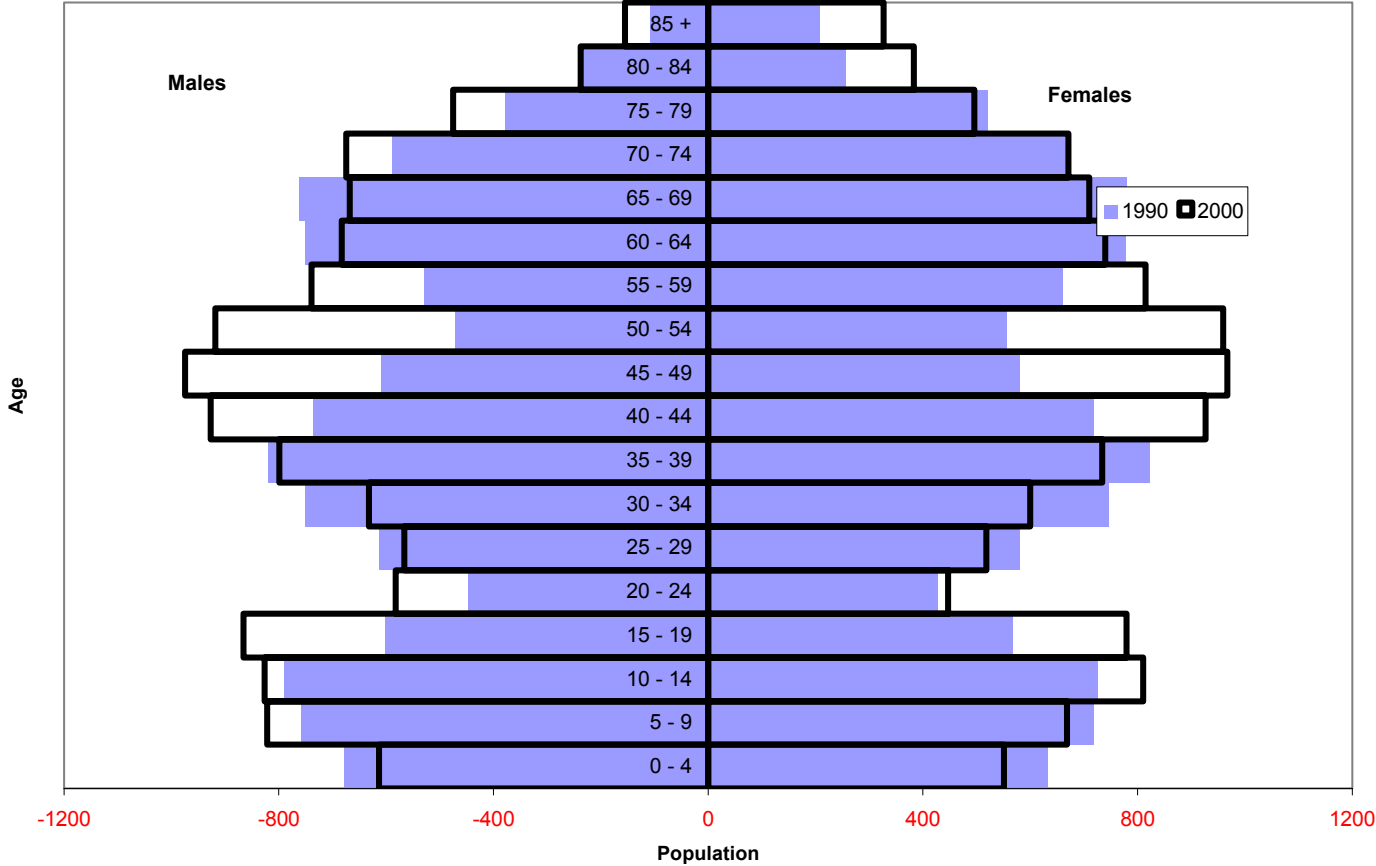
# Columbia County Population Aged in Place and Drew In-Migrants Later in the Life Cycle – Proximity to Urban Jobs

Columbia County Age Distribution  
1990 and 2000



# Tillamook County Population Aged in Place and Drew In-Migrants Later in the Life Cycle – Stability as a Rural County

Tillamook County Population Age Distribution  
1990 and 2000



# Race/Ethnicity and Age Dynamics

- Some Rural Counties Are in a Process of Demographic Replacement – Aging White Population is Dying and Minority Populations are Moving In and Having Children, especially Latinos
- The Hispanic/Latino population is growing and will continue to grow, based on in-migration and fertility
- Latinos are Not Dispersed Throughout the Rural Landscape – Their Populations are Concentrated in the Small Cities within Rural Counties
- Three Examples – Hood River, Morrow, and Malheur Counties
- In general, minority representation is growing in Oregon, especially among the younger ages



## Latino Population is Growing in Absolute and Relative Ways

### Hispanic/Latino (of any race) April 1, 1990 and 2000, Oregon and its Counties

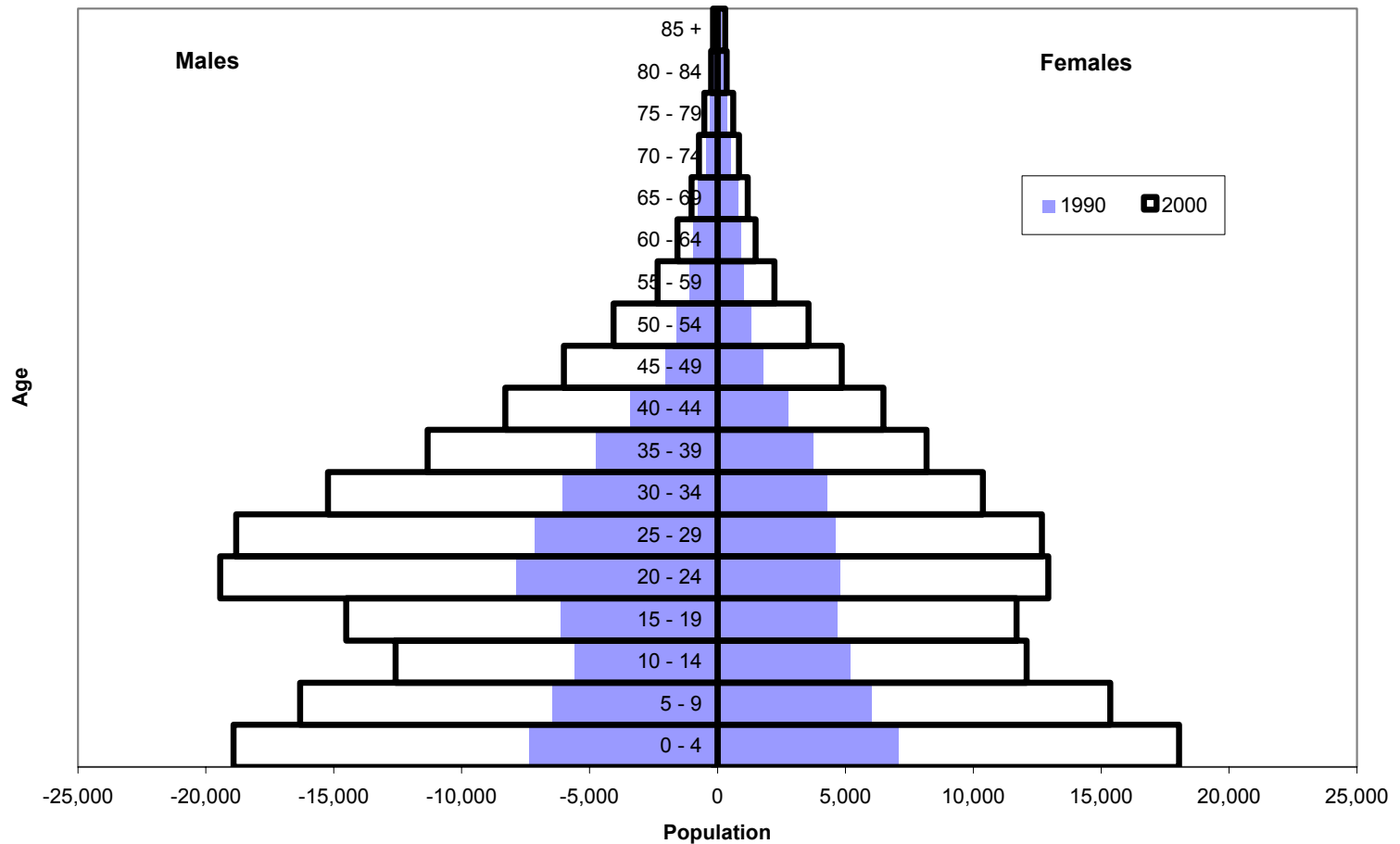
Area	2000	1990	Change 1990-2000	Change (%) 1990-2000	Total Population (%) 2000	Total Population (%) 1990
<b>Oregon</b>	<b>275,314</b>	<b>112,708</b>	<b>162,606</b>	<b>144.3%</b>	<b>8.0%</b>	<b>4.0%</b>
Clatsop County	1,597	648	949	146.5%	4.5%	1.9%
Crook County	1,082	388	694	178.9%	5.6%	2.7%
Curry County	761	354	407	115.0%	3.6%	1.8%
Deschutes County	4,304	1,526	2,778	182.0%	3.7%	2.0%
Hood River County	5,107	2,752	2,355	85.6%	25.0%	16.3%
Jefferson County	3,372	1,448	1,924	132.9%	17.7%	10.6%
Josephine County	3,229	1,749	1,480	84.6%	4.3%	2.8%
Klamath County	4,961	2,984	1,977	66.3%	7.8%	5.2%
Lincoln County	2,119	598	1,521	254.3%	4.8%	1.5%
Malheur County	8,099	5,155	2,944	57.1%	25.6%	19.8%
Morrow County	2,686	825	1,861	225.6%	24.4%	10.8%
Tillamook County	1,244	374	870	232.6%	5.1%	1.7%
Wasco County	2,214	1,065	1,149	107.9%	9.3%	4.9%
Wheeler County	79	12	67	558.3%	5.1%	0.9%

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Sources: 1990 and 2000 Census of Population

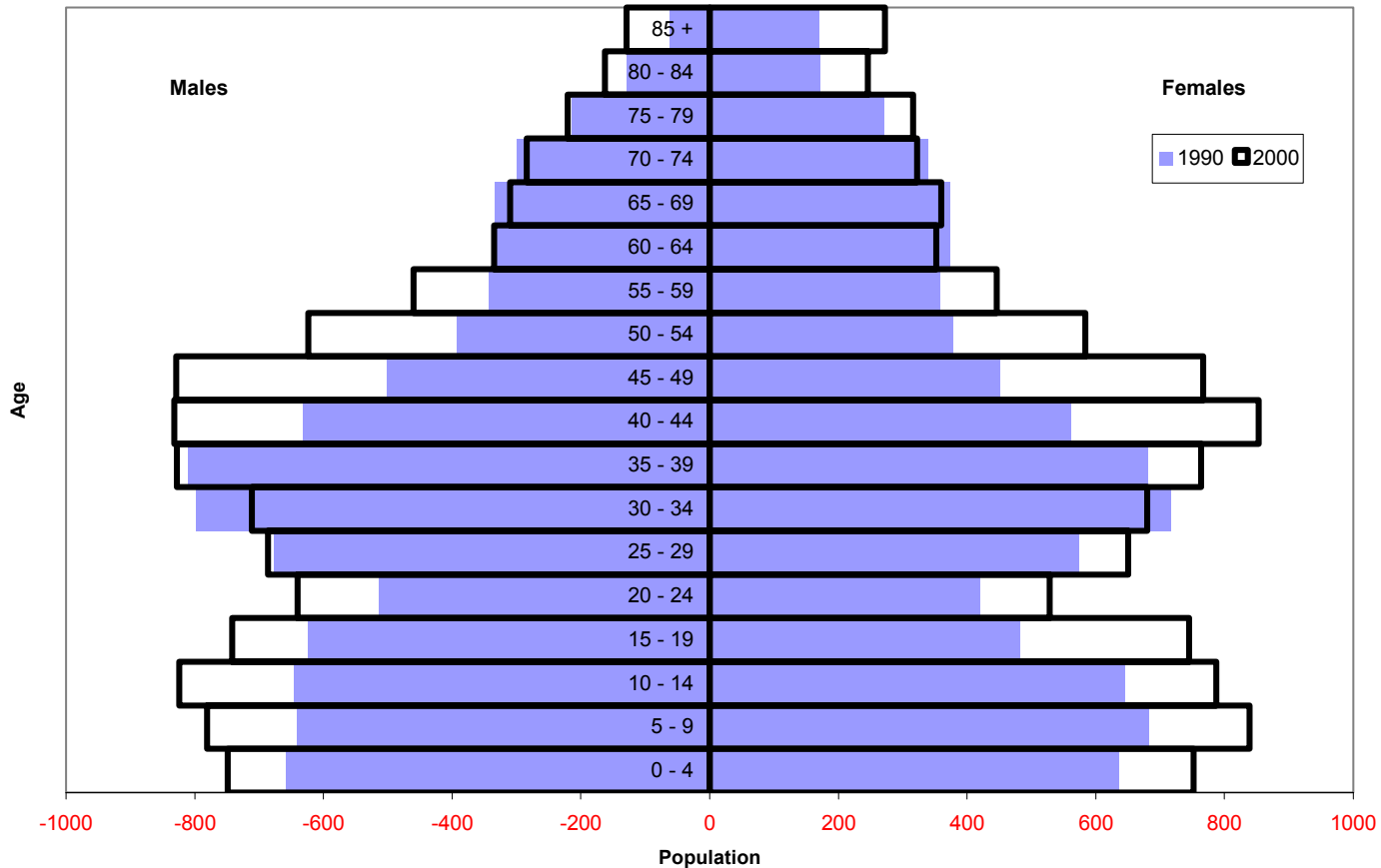
# Hispanic/Latino Population is Shaped by Both In-Migration (Male Dominated) and Fertility

Hispanic/Latino Age Distribution  
Oregon 1990 and 2000



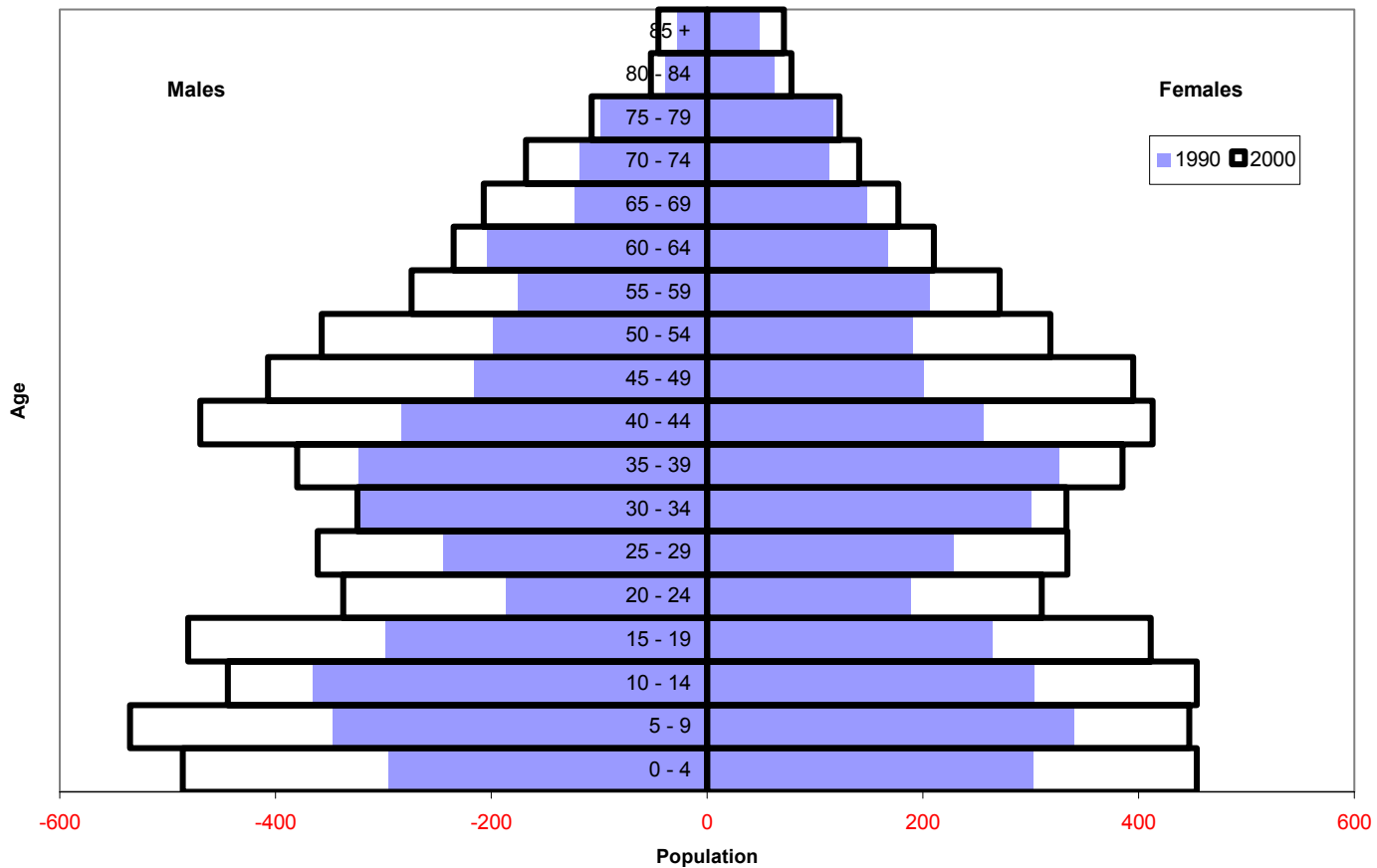
# Latino Population in Hood River County is Fully Integrated into the Age Distribution – Barely Noticeable in Rural County

Hood River County Population Age Distribution  
1990 and 2000



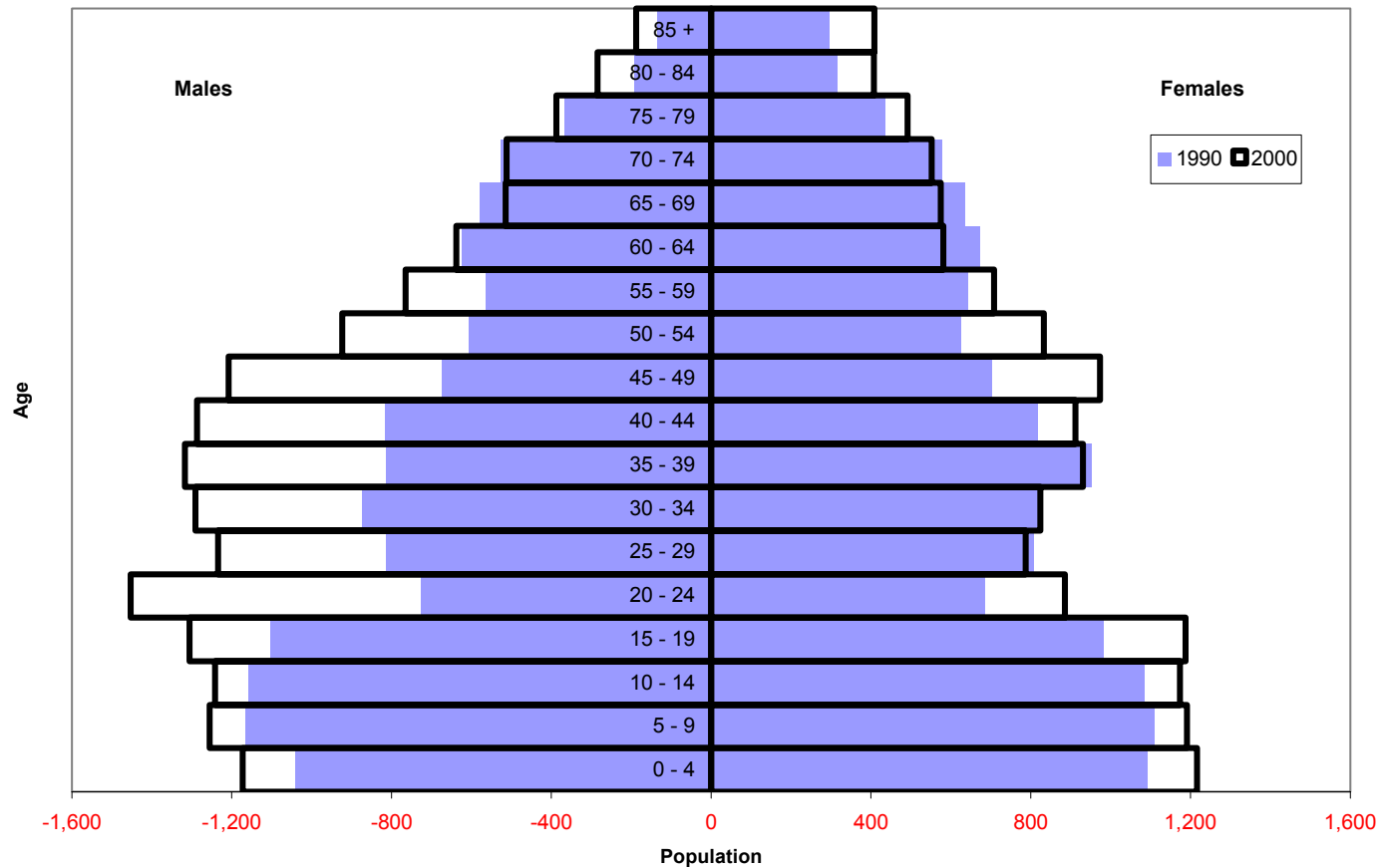
# Latino Population in Morrow County is Masked in Overall Positive Change Across All Age Groups

Morrow County Population Age Distribution  
1990 and 2000



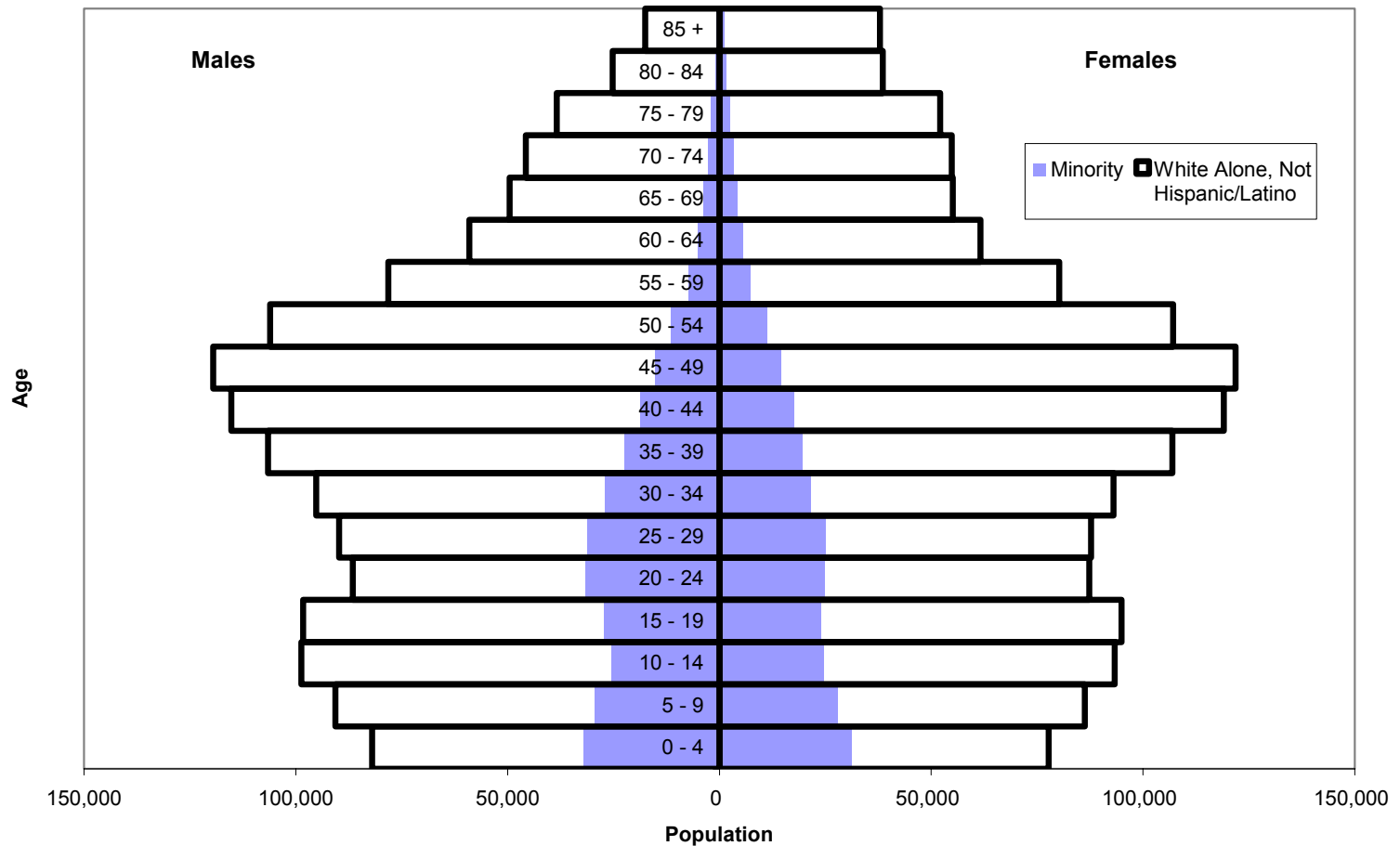
# Latino Population in Malheur County is Barely Noticeable as Larger Institutional Forces Dominate Change

Malheur County Population Age Distribution  
1990 and 2000



# Minority Representation is Growing in Oregon Especially at the Earlier Ages

Oregon Age Distribution April 1, 2000  
White Alone, Not Hispanic/Latino and Minority



# And Now For Something Completely Different...California!!!!

California Age Distribution April 1, 2000  
White Alone, Not Hispanic/Latino and Minority

