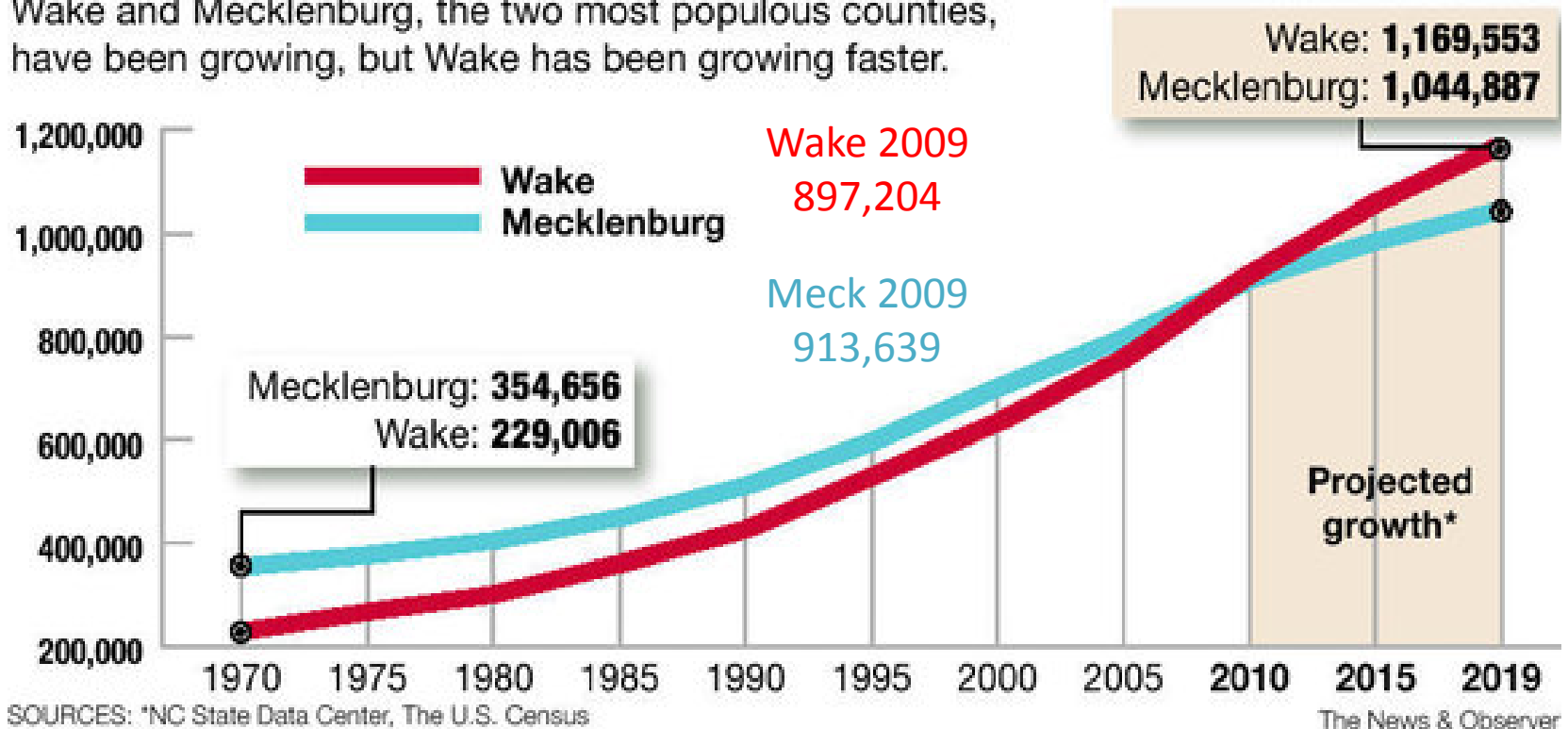


Wake County Growth: 2009 - 2019

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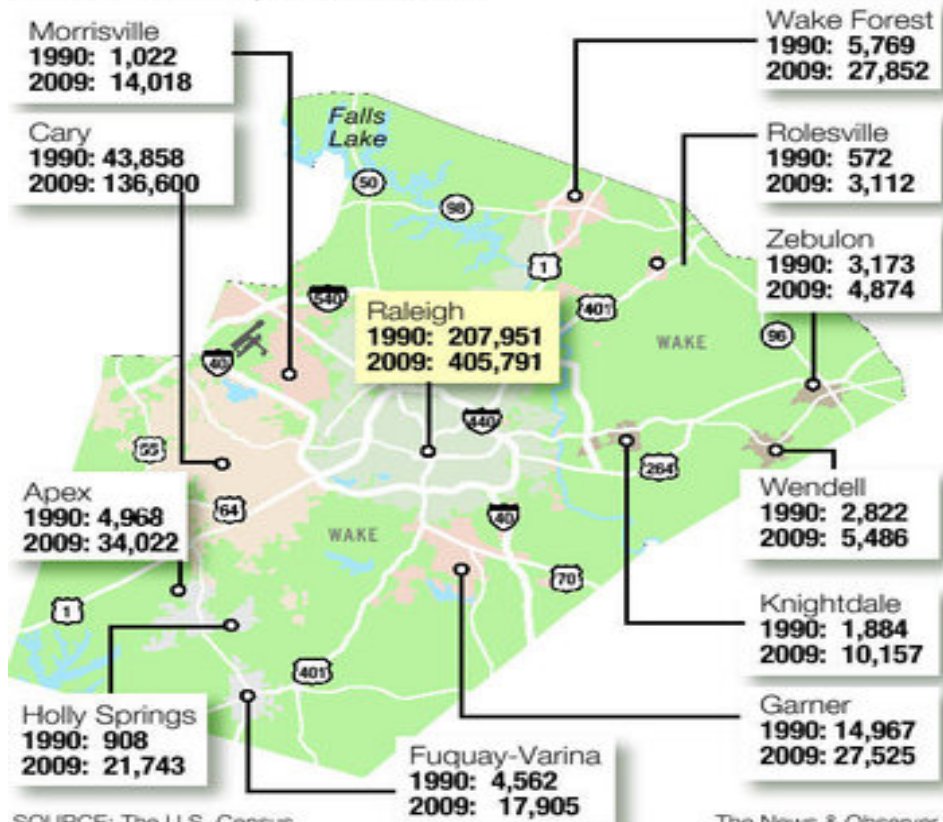
Wake and Mecklenburg, the two most populous counties, have been growing, but Wake has been growing faster.



Wake County Municipal Growth: 1990 - 2009

Population changes

Small-town population explosions have contributed to Wake County's rapid growth. Examples below are from 1990 census data and 2009 projections. Numbers do not include unincorporated areas.



1990
Wake County:
423,380

2009
Wake County:
897,214

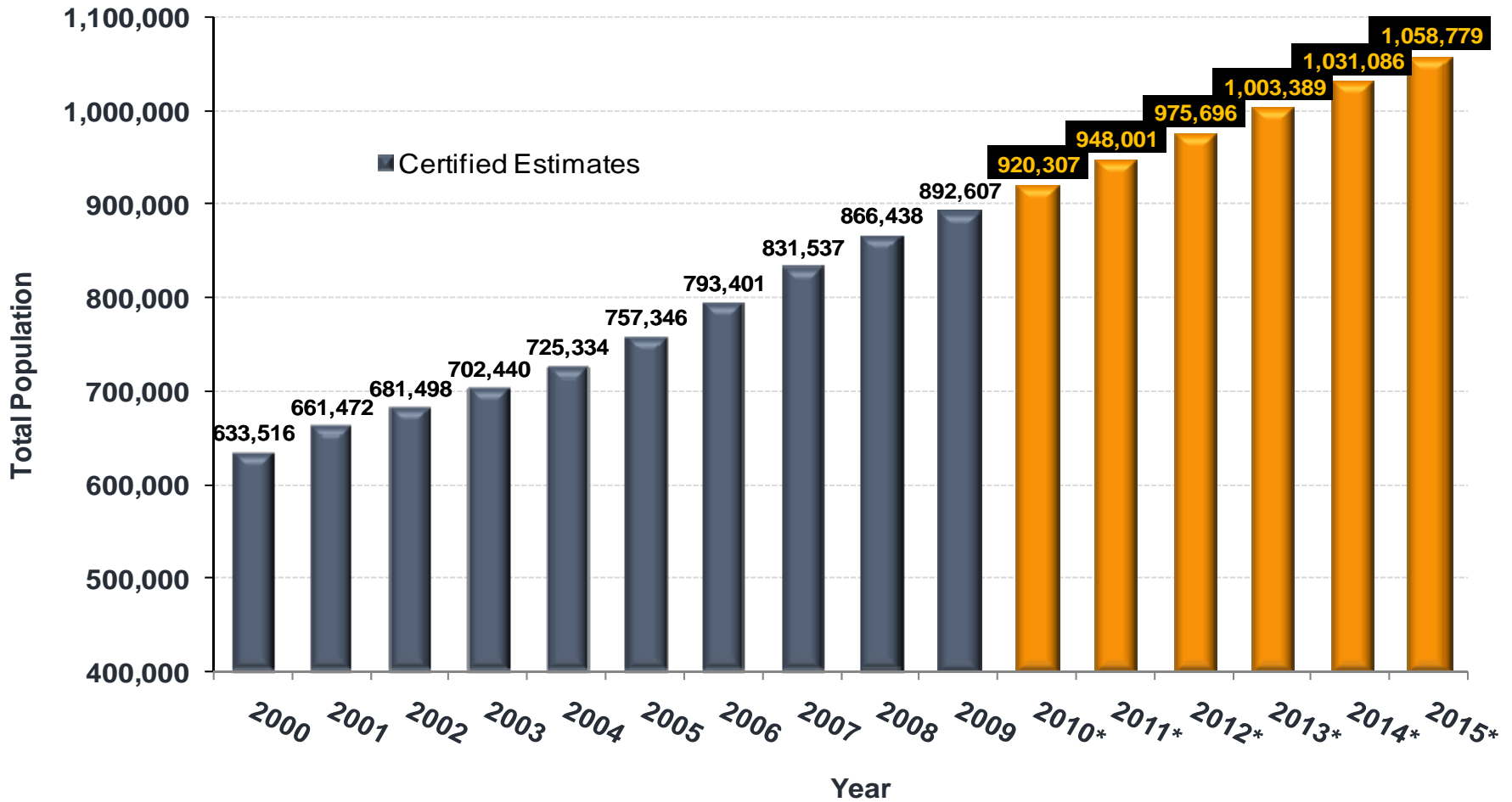
SOURCE: The U.S. Census

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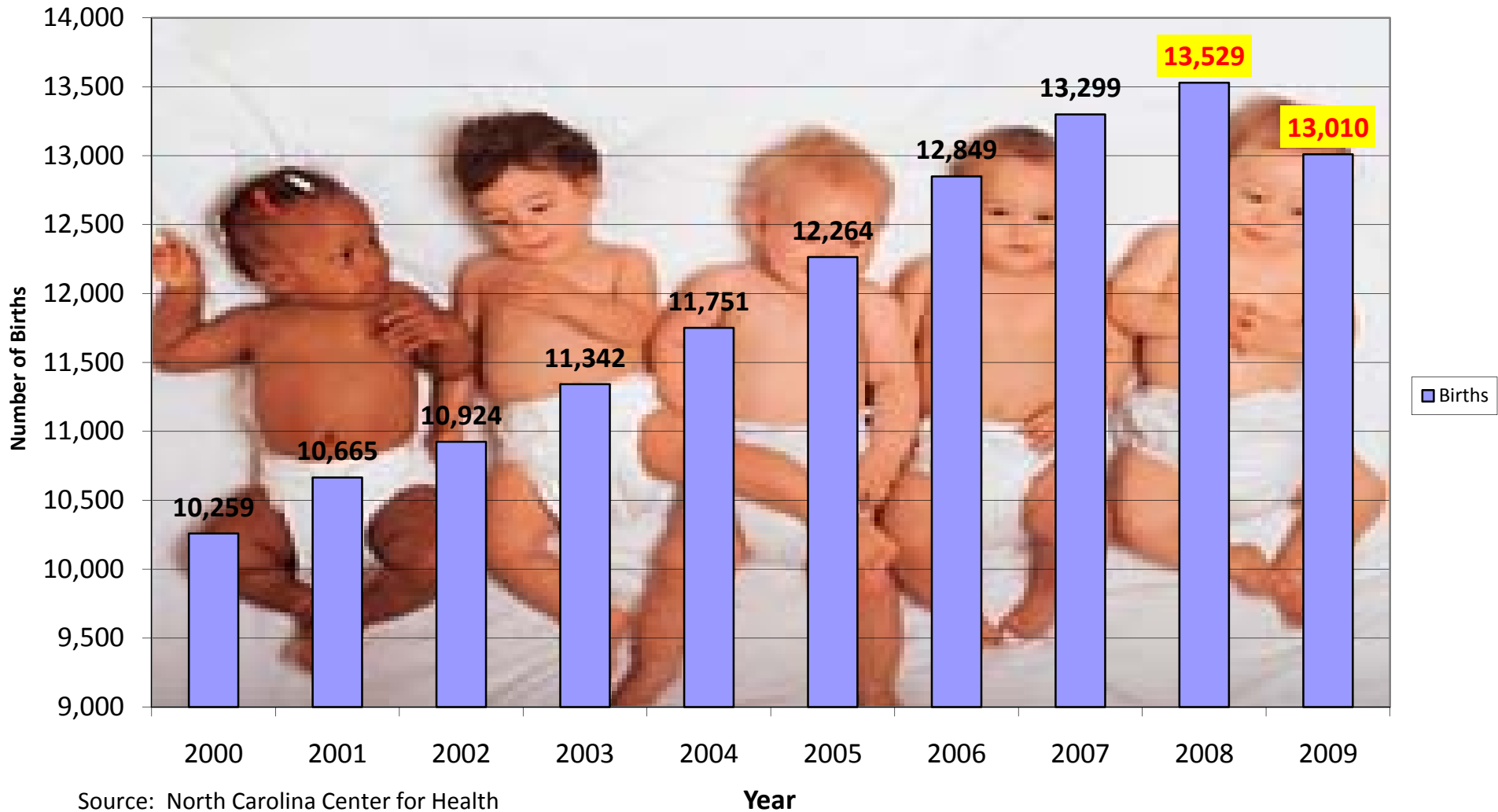
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Wake County Total Population Projections



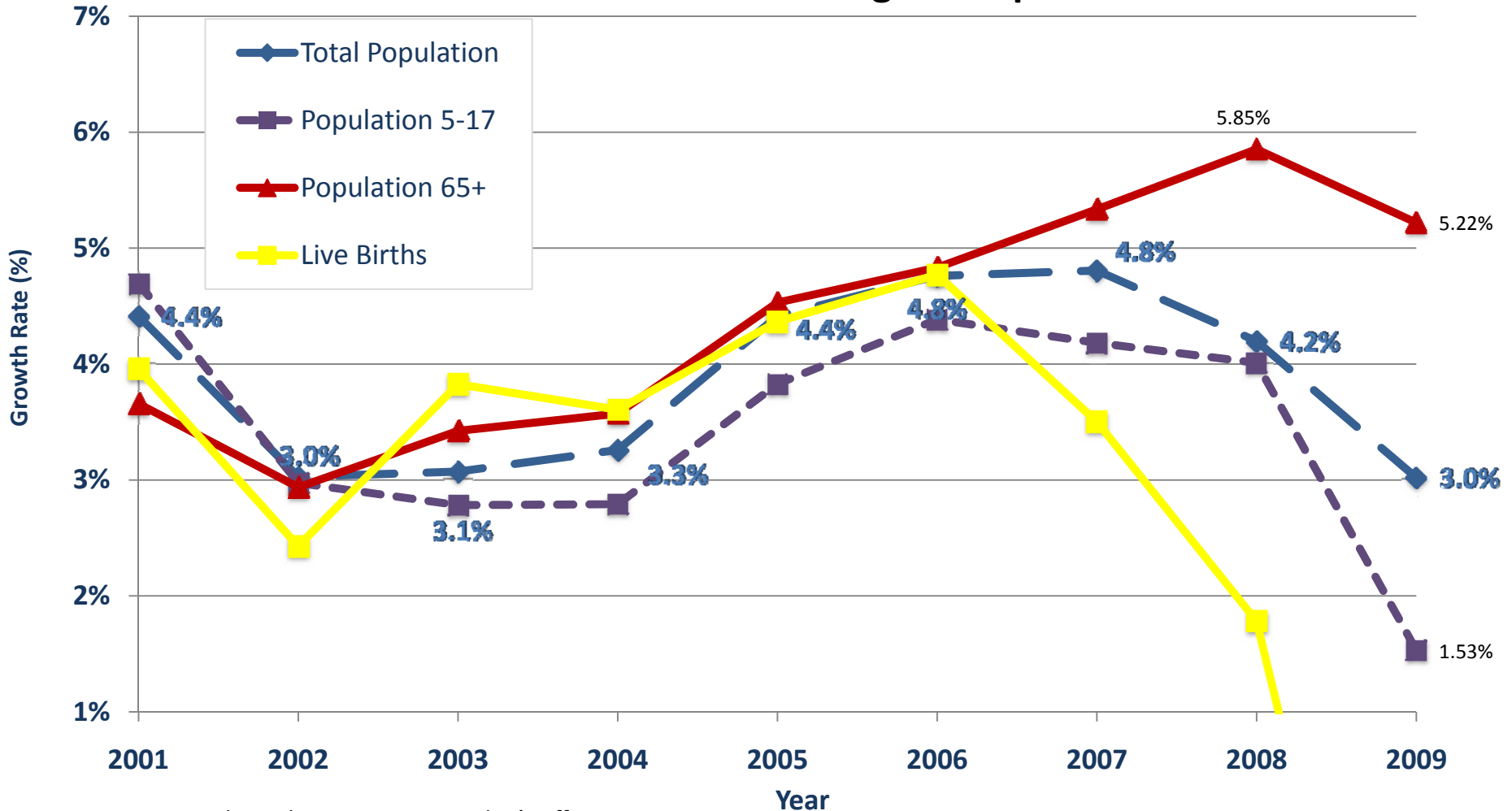
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Wake County Live Resident Births 2000-2009



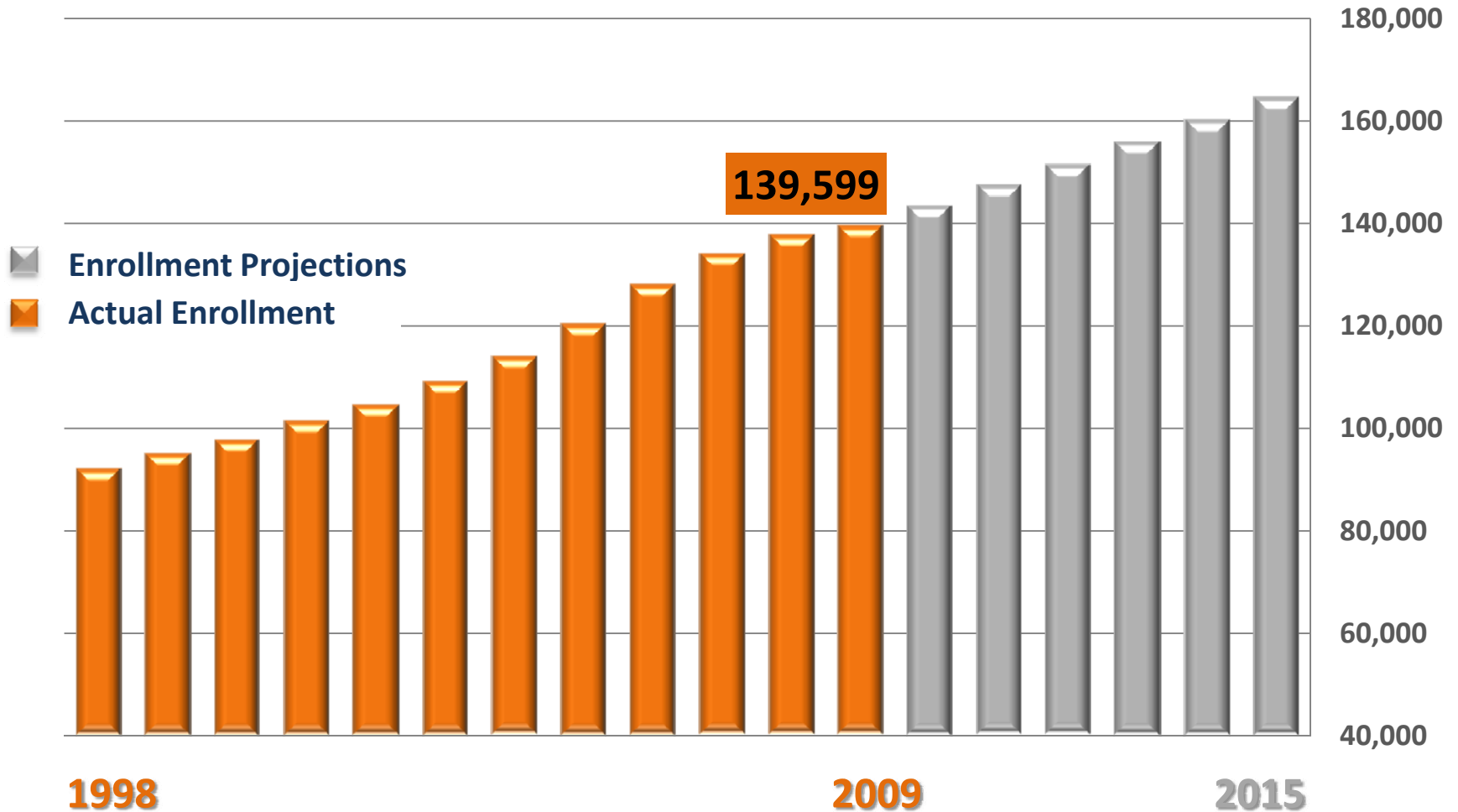
Source: North Carolina Center for Health

Wake County Population Growth Rates 2000-2009 for Selected Age Groups



Source: North Carolina State Demographer's Office.
2009 Provisional and 2001-2008 Revised Estimates.

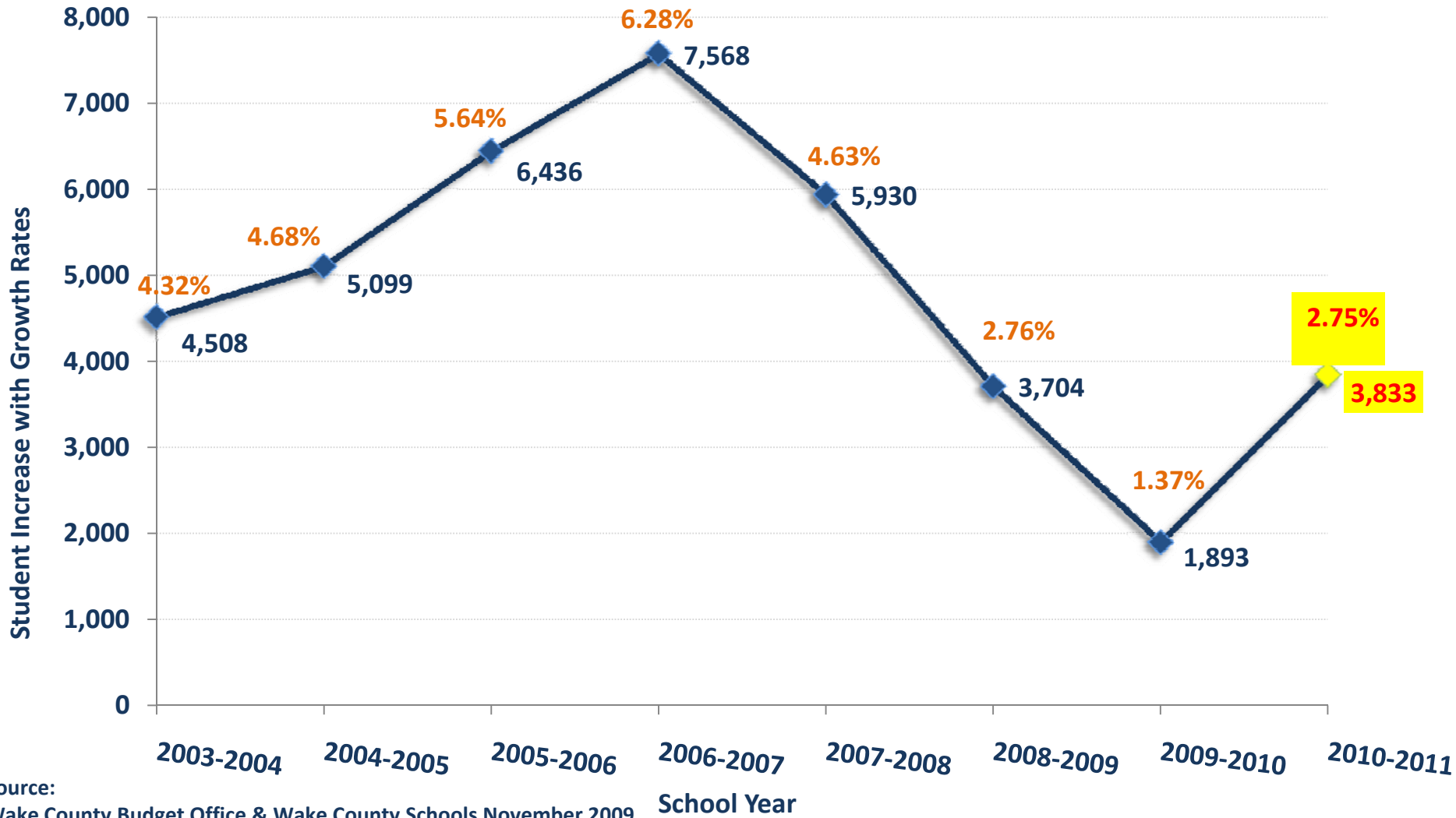
20th Day Student Enrollment – 139,599 (2009-2010) 2010-2015 Enrollment Projections



Source: Wake County Budget Office & Wake County Schools November 2009

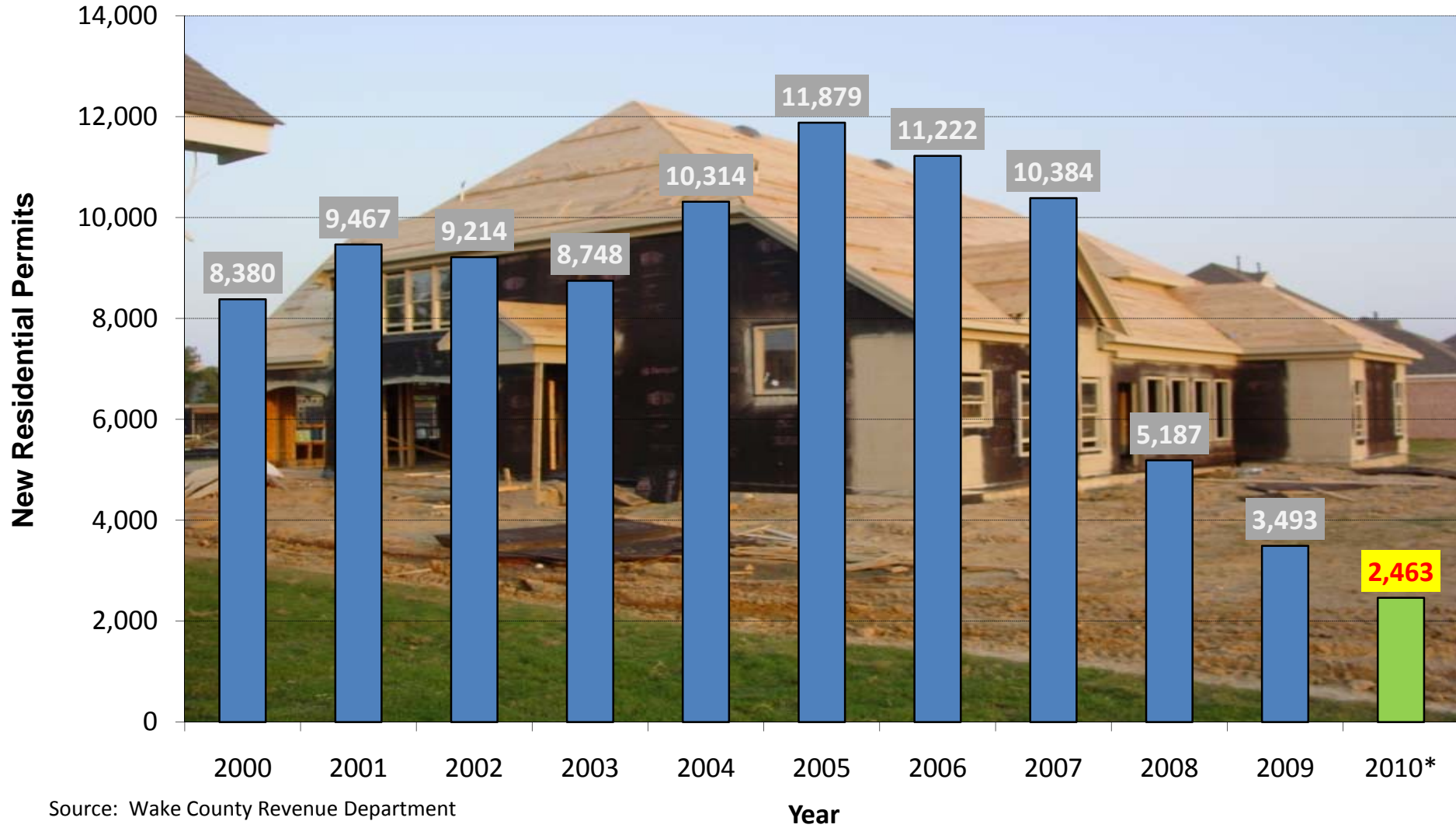
Net Student Increase 2003-2009

2010-2011 Student Projections



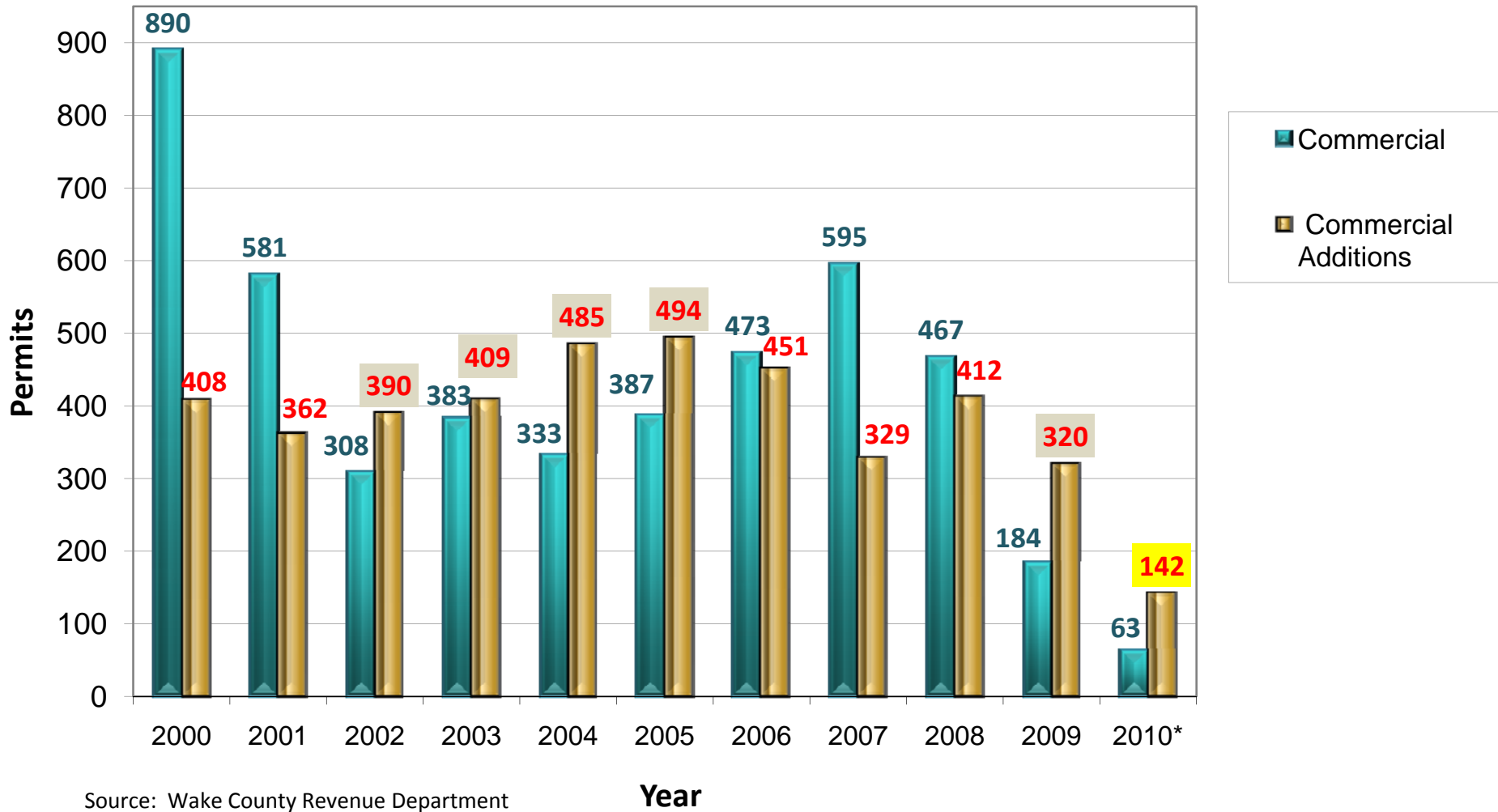
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Wake County New Residential Permits 2000-2009



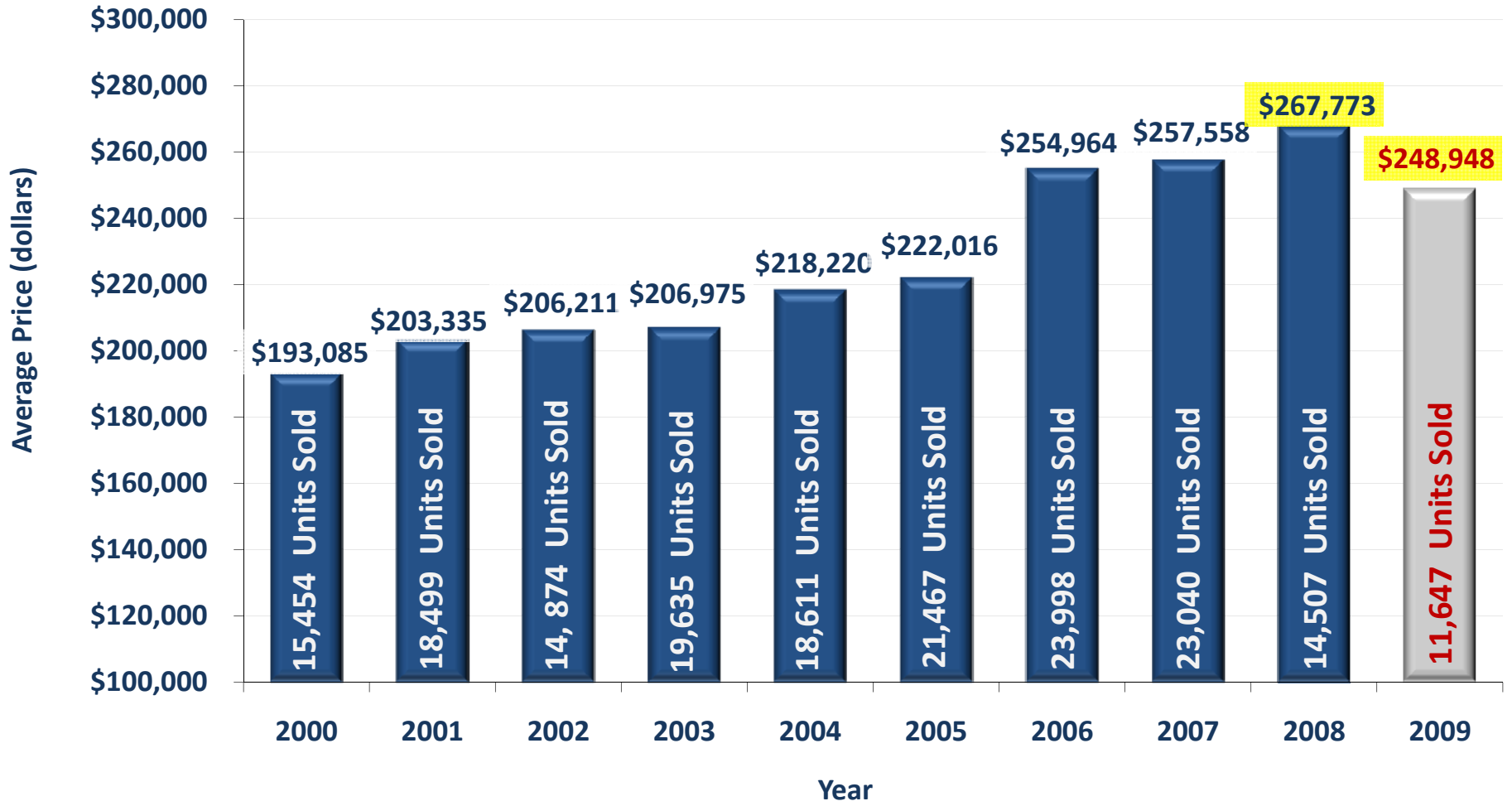
Source: Wake County Revenue Department

Wake County New Commercial Permits 2000-2009



Source: Wake County Revenue Department

Average Sale Price 2000-2009



Source: Wake County Revenue Department

What is the Cost-of-Living Index for Wake County?

| <u>Raleigh-Cary*</u> | Comp. Index | Grocery Items | Housing | Utilities | Transportation | Health Care | Misc. Goods & Services |
|----------------------|--------------|---------------|-------------|--------------|----------------|--------------|------------------------|
| 2009 | 101.3 | 108.9 | 91.0 | 100.6 | 99.5 | 106.1 | 108 |
| 2008 | 102.6 | 104.1 | 99.3 | 94.3 | 97.8 | 107.3 | 108.4 |
| 2007 | 99.3 | 102.1 | 96.7 | 91.3 | 95.6 | 103.7 | 103.1 |

The ACCRA Cost-of-Living Index does not include state or local taxes, just the base cost of goods and services.

*The Raleigh-Cary Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) is used as a proxy for Wake County and includes Franklin and Johnston counties.

Source: ACCRA Cost of Living Index 2007-09