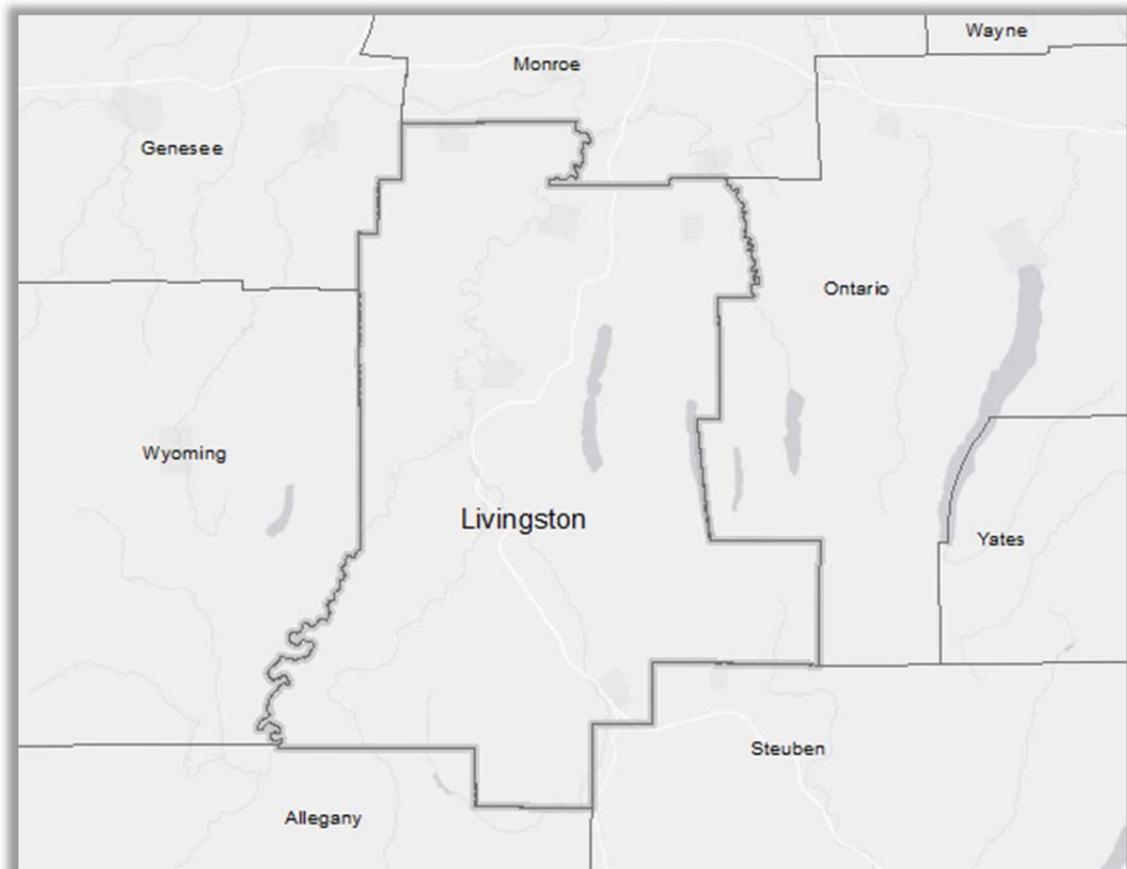


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Population Profile of Livingston County

Executive Summary

Population Numbers and Projections

The rate of population increase since 2000 (2%) indicates gradual growth and a relatively stable population number. The Town of Livonia and the Village of Geneseo experienced the greatest increase in number of persons since 2000. Ten municipalities experienced a decline in population over the 10 year period.

Regionally, Livingston County ranks as the fourth most populous county in the nine-county Genesee/Finger Lakes Region. The county is also one of the least densely populated counties in the region. This density can provide challenges when considering service provision, transportation and access to care.

According to Genesee/Finger Lakes Regional Planning Council population forecasts (2013), Livingston County's population is projected to increase conservatively but at a decreasing rate between 2020 and 2050.

Population Age

Livingston County is experiencing a dynamic demographic shift in two ways:

- An increase in the number of persons 50 and over
- A loss of population under age 45

The young adult cohort between age 20 and 29 is the only age group below age 45 that increased between 2000 and 2010. This translates into a loss of young families.

The county's population is aging. The median age in Livingston County went up from 35.3 in 2000 to 39.8 in 2010. The population of persons 65 years and older is 13.8%, with a 40% increase in the number of persons over 85 years old from 2000 - 2010.

Population Race and Ethnic Composition

Livingston County is primarily white (93.8%). Between 2000 – 2010, the number of Asian residents increased by 59.6%, the number of residents of "two or more races" increased by 42%, the number of residents of Hispanic or Latino origin increased by 24%, and the number of African American or black residents decreased by 17.5%.

Income and Poverty

Median Household Income: The median household income in 2014 was an estimated \$52,200, which was higher than the region (\$51,579) but lower than the state (\$58,687) and the country (\$53,482).

Average Salary: The average salary in the county decreased 2.1% between 2010 and 2014 from \$36,510 to \$35,753. The average salary in Livingston County in 2014 was the second lowest in the region.

Poverty and Age: In 2014, 14.7% of Livingston County residents were living in poverty, with 18.9% of the county population under 18 living in poverty. Livingston County is above the regional percentage of persons living in poverty (13.7%), below the regional percentage for population under 18 living in poverty (19.5%), and below the state and national percentages for both categories. According to ACT Rochester Community Indicators for the Rochester Area, “children raised in impoverished environments are at higher risk for a wide variety of health and social problems, including poor performance in school. The challenges they face in childhood can diminish their chances for successful adult lives.”

Poverty and Race: Of the Livingston County residents living in poverty in 2014, the highest percentage reported race as Some Other Race (70.1%), followed by Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific (66.7%) and Asian (48.4%).

Poverty and Education: Of the county population 25 years and older in 2014, people with less than a high school diploma experienced a poverty rate of 25.5%, while those with a Bachelor’s degree or higher experienced a poverty rate of 3.1%.

“Highly Distressed Areas”: Nine out of 15 Census Tracts are considered “Highly Distressed Areas” under the definition included in NYS General Municipal Law Section 854(18) using data from the U.S. Census 2010-2014 American Community Survey 5-year estimates. “Highly Distressed Areas” are Census Tracts (and Census Tracts contiguous thereto) with at least 20% population with incomes below poverty or at least 20% of households receiving public assistance and an unemployment rate of at least 1.25 times the statewide unemployment rate.

Education

High School Graduation: Education is an area of strength for Livingston County, with one of the highest graduation rates in the region – 88%, compared to 84% in the region and 79% statewide in 2014.

Pre-K: Livingston County’s pre-kindergarten participation increased from 4% to 29% from 2000-2001 to 2013-2014 school years. Despite this increase, Livingston County’s participation rate is the third lowest among the surrounding counties, which could be influenced by the availability of free pre-kindergarten programs.

Higher Education: In 2014, 23.9% of the population 25 years and older in Livingston County had a Bachelor’s Degree or higher, which is higher than the region (22.9%) but lower than the state (33.7%). 12.9% of the population 25 years and older had an Associate’s Degree, which is higher than the region (12%), state (8.5%) and nation (7.9%).

Housing

Housing Units: Housing unit numbers increased by almost 13%, or an additional 3,100 units between 2000 - 2010. The Town of Livonia and Village of Geneseo experienced the greatest increase in number of units, and the Town of Conesus experienced the largest percentage increase with over 30% growth. The Town of Geneseo also experienced an increase in multi-family housing units.

Housing Types: Livingston County housing type is characterized primarily by single-family homes, followed by mobile homes, two-family homes and seasonal residents. Livingston County has six homes for the aged.

Age of Housing Stock: Livingston County has an aging housing stock, with 60% of the County's total housing built before 1970.

Median Home Values and Median Gross Rents: The median home value for Livingston County in 2014 was estimated to be \$119,200, which was higher than the region (\$112,400) but significantly less than the state (\$283,700) and nation (\$175,700). Livingston County's median gross rent of \$711 per month was comparable to the region (\$692) and less than the state and nation (1,117 and \$920, respectively).

Occupancy Characteristics: In 2014, Livingston County had a higher percentage of owner occupied units (73.9%) compared to the region (73.8%), the state (53.8%) and the nation (64.4%). The number of renter occupied units increased by 923 units from 5,641 units in 2000 (16%).

Vacancy Rates: In 2014, Livingston County had a 6.3% rental housing vacancy rate, which is higher than the region (4.7%) and state (4.4%), but lower than the nation (6.9%).

Economy

Employment: From 2005-2014, there was an overall loss of 267 total jobs in the county (-0.9%).

Job Sectors: Livingston County is part of the larger regional and national transition from manufacturing to knowledge-based/service-based industry. The top sectors of employment in Livingston County were government, retail trade, accommodation and food service, and manufacturing. In addition, the Genesee/Finger Lakes Development District Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) recognized the health care industry and tourism as key aspects of the County economy. Senior/health care facility development over the last 10 years is also notable.

Unemployment: From an unemployment rate of 5.8% in 2004, the rate in Livingston County rose to 8.4% in 2009 (recession) before dropping back down to 5.8% in 2014, which was below the state and national rates (6.3% and 6.2%, respectively) and equal to the regional rate.

Financial self-sufficiency: While it has lower participation in government programs to help those in need compared to the region and state (2.5% vs. 3.4% and 2.9%, respectively), Livingston County has seen an 84% increase in the rate of children receiving temporary public assistance from 2010 to 2014 – climbing from 482 to 820 children.



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LIVINGSTON COUNTY POPULATION PROFILE

2016

I. POPULATION

A. Introduction

The Population Profile reviews the County's current population, historic population trends and projections for the future. Regional population trends are also reviewed to gain an understanding of the County's population in relation to the Genesee/Finger Lakes Region and New York State. Regional trends influence the County's potential for new growth and development and affect its ability to sustain present population and employment levels.

The Population Profile also reviews the composition of the County's population. This is an important consideration because changes in the demographics may suggest the need to expand, abandon or develop new community facilities or change the current community services delivery system. For example, projected growth in the senior population may indicate the need for more housing choices for seniors, improved public transportation, and increased access to health care and social services in the future.

B. Historic County Population Trends

According to the 2010 U.S. Census, Livingston County has a population of 65,393 persons. Population trends show that Livingston County has experienced a gradual increase in population since 1970.

Table 1: Historic Population Trends for Livingston County, 1940-2010 shows that since 1940, the County has gained a total of 26,883 persons. This represents a 70% growth in population. The largest percentage gain of population took place between 1960 and 1970, with a growth of 10,250 persons, which represents a 23% increase in population during that time. Since 1970, the County has grown by 11,090 persons. The rate of increase since 2000 indicates gradual growth and a relatively stable population.

More recently, a comparison of Census 2000 and 2010 data for surrounding counties shows that Livingston County's population rate of increase of 2% is surpassed only by Ontario County with 7.7%.

Table 1: Historic Population Trends for Livingston County, 1940-2010

Year	Population	# Change	Percentage Change
1940	38,510		
1950	40,257	1,747	5%
1960	44,053	3,796	9%
1970	54,303	10,250	23%
1980	57,006	2,703	5%
1990	62,372	5,366	9%
2000	64,328	1,956	3%
2010	65,393	1,065	2%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, decennial census.

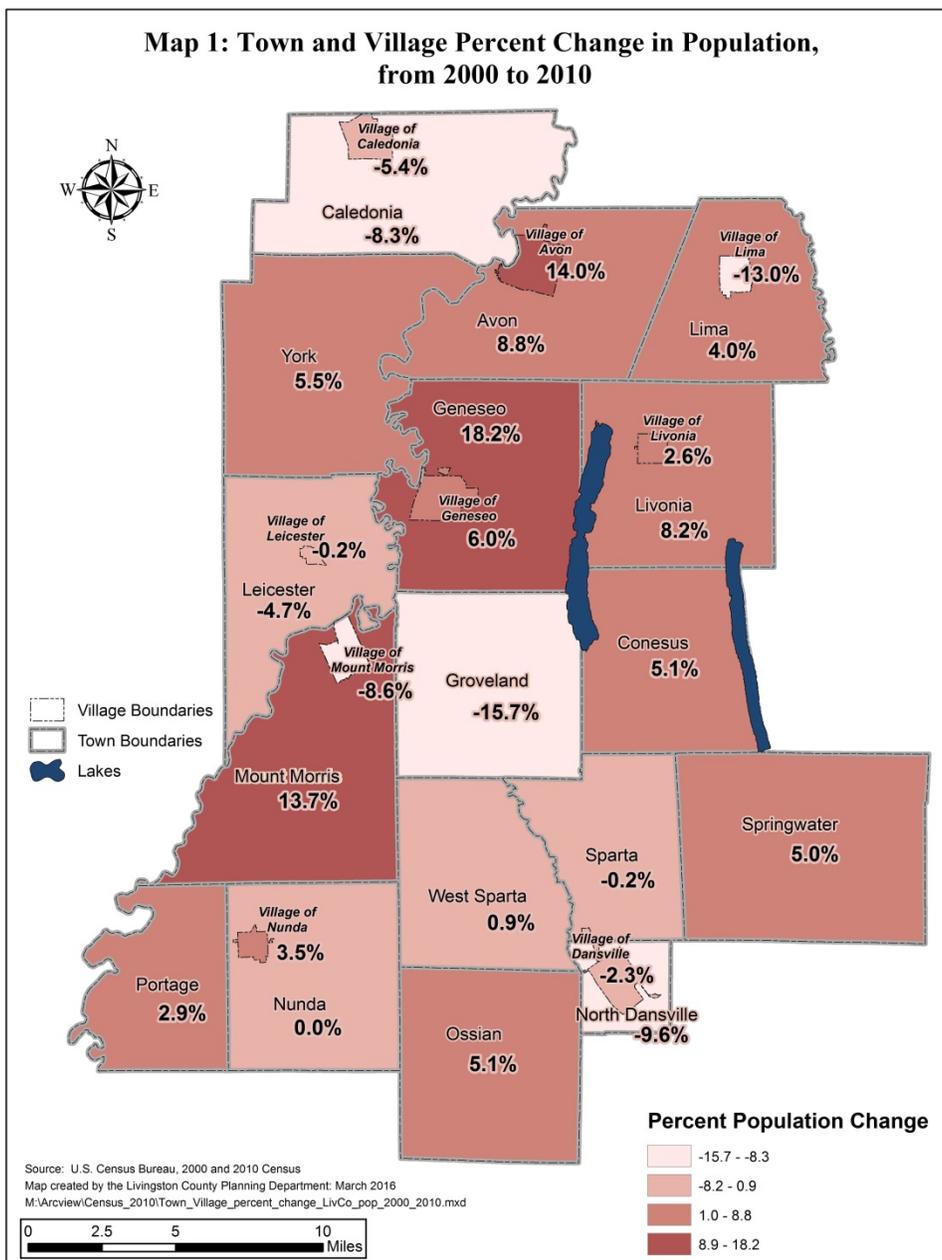


Table 2: Population Change by Community for Livingston County, 2000-2010

Geographic area	Total population 2000	Total population 2010	Change	% Change
Avon town	6,443	7,164	+721	11.2%
Avon town outside of village	3,466	3,770	+304	8.8%
Avon village	2,977	3,394	+417	14.0%
Caledonia town	4,567	4,255	-312	-6.8%
Caledonia town outside of village	2,240	2,054	-186	-8.3%
Caledonia village	2,327	2,201	-126	-5.4%
Conesus town	2,353	2,473	+120	5.1%
Dansville village	4,832	4,719	-113	-2.3%
Geneseo town	9,654	10,483	+829	8.6%
Geneseo town outside of village	2,075	2,452	+377	18.2%
Geneseo village	7,579	8,031	+452	6.0%
Groveland town	3,853	3,249	-604	-15.7%
Leicester town	2,287	2,200	-87	-3.8%
Leicester town outside of village	1,818	1,732	-86	-4.7%
Leicester village	469	468	-1	-0.2%
Lima town	4,541	4,305	-236	-5.2%
Lima town outside of village	2,082	2,166	+84	4.0%
Lima village	2,459	2,139	-320	-13.0%
Livonia town	7,286	7,809	+523	7.2%
Livonia town outside of village	5,913	6,400	+487	8.2%
Livonia village	1,373	1,409	+36	2.6%
Mount Morris town	4,567	4,465	-102	-2.2%
Mount Morris town outside of village	1,301	1,479	+178	13.7%
Mount Morris village	3,266	2,986	-280	-8.6%
North Dansville town	5,738	5,538	-200	-3.5%
North Dansville town outside of village	906	819	-87	-9.6%
Nunda town	3,017	3,064	+47	1.6%
Nunda town outside of village	1,687	1,687	0	0.0%
Nunda village	1,330	1,377	+47	3.5%
Ossian town	751	789	+38	5.1%
Portage town	859	884	+25	2.9%
Sparta town	1,627	1,624	-3	-0.2%
Springwater town	2,322	2,439	+117	5.0%
West Sparta town	1,244	1,255	+11	0.9%
York town	3,219	3,397	+178	5.5%
Livingston County	64,328	65,393	+1065	1.7%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000 and 2010. Figures for "town" include Village numbers, "town outside of village" is provided for town only data.

Table 2: Population Change by Community for Livingston County, 2000-2010 and **Map 1: Town and Village Percent Change in Population from 2000 to 2010** shows the change in population distribution for Livingston County’s 26 municipalities since 2000. The Town of Livonia and Village of Geneseo experienced the greatest increase in number of persons. The Town of Livonia portion outside of the Village grew by 487 persons. The Village of Geneseo was the largest growing village with an increase of 452 persons.

With respect to percentage change, the Village of Avon and Town of Geneseo portion outside the Village experienced the greatest percentage increase in population. Ten municipalities experienced a decline in population over the 10-year period. The Town of Groveland experienced the largest decline in number of persons with a loss of 604 persons. This loss is largely attributed to the closure of over 400 beds at the New York State Correctional Facilities in Groveland.

C. State and Regional Population Trends

Table 3: Population Trends for Genesee/Finger Lakes Region, 1960-2010 shows that Monroe County has the largest population of the counties in the Region. Ontario and Wayne Counties rank second and third, respectively. Livingston County ranks as the fourth most populous county in the region. Yates County has the smallest population of the nine counties. From 1970 to 2010, all counties in the Region experienced population growth. The Region grew from 1,113,840 in 1970 to 1,217,156 in 2010. From 2000 to 2010, however, several of the surrounding counties, including Genesee, Orleans, and Wyoming experienced population declines.

Table 3: Population Trends for Genesee/Finger Lakes Region, 1960-2010						
	1960	1970	1980	1990	2000	2010
Genesee	53,994	58,722	59,400	60,060	60,370	60,079
Livingston	44,053	55,041	57,006	62,372	64,328	65,393
Monroe	586,387	711,917	702,238	713,968	735,343	744,344
Ontario	68,070	78,849	88,909	95,101	100,224	107,931
Orleans	34,159	37,305	38,496	41,846	44,171	42,883
Seneca	31,984	35,083	33,733	33,683	33,342	35,251
Wayne	67,989	79,404	84,581	89,123	93,765	93,772
Wyoming	34,793	37,688	39,895	42,507	43,424	42,155
Yates	18,614	19,831	21,459	22,810	24,621	25,348
Genesee/Finger Lakes Region	940,043	1,113,840	1,125,717	1,161,470	1,199,588	1,217,156

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, decennial census; Genesee/Finger Lakes Economic Development District, Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy Update 2014-2015.

Table 4: Population Trends for New York State, 1980-2010 shows a population increase in the State since 1980. The State population increased by 10.4% between 1980 and 2010, while the Genesee/Finger Lakes Region grew slightly less by 8.1%. Five counties in the Region had growth rates greater than the State: Livingston, Ontario, Orleans, Wayne and Yates.

Table 4: Population Trends for New York State, 1980-2010				
	1980	1990	2000	2010
New York State	17,558,165	17,990,778	18,976,457	19,378,102
<i>Source: U.S. Census Bureau, decennial census.</i>				

Table 5: Population Density for Genesee/Finger Lakes Region, 2010 shows that Livingston County is one of the least densely populated counties in the region, after Wyoming and Yates Counties. According to Census 2010, Livingston County has 104 persons per square mile and is most similar in population density to Seneca County (109 persons) and Orleans County (110 persons).

Table 5: Population Density for Genesee/Finger Lakes Region, 2010	
County	Population Density (persons/square mile)
Wyoming	71
Yates	75
Livingston	104
Seneca	109
Orleans	110
Genesee	122
Wayne	155
Ontario	168
Monroe	1,129
<i>Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2010. Data sorted in order of density.</i>	

D. Population Characteristics

1. Age Distribution

Livingston County is experiencing a dynamic demographic shift in two ways that will likely impact the county's community service delivery system. This includes:

- 1) An increase in the number of persons 50 and over, and;
- 2) A loss of population under age 45.

According to the Genesee/Finger Lakes Economic Development District Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy Update 2014-2015 (CEDS), prepared by Genesee/Finger Lakes Regional Planning Council, these two demographic shifts are a concern for upstate New York and the northeastern region.

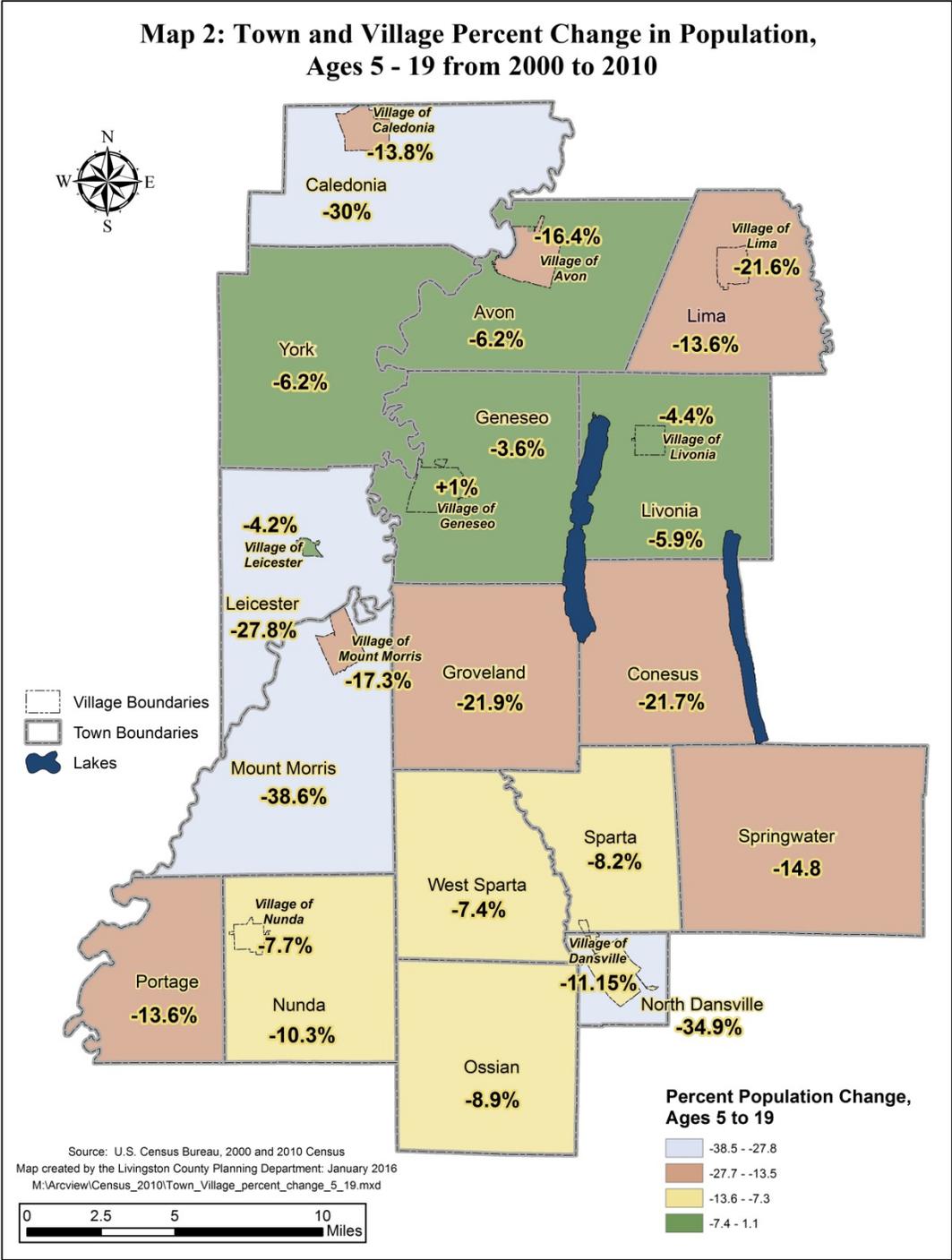
Further, each county in the region had a larger percentage of its population over the age of 65 than the national total. In regards to the out migration of the 25-44 age cohort, the low percentage of this age group is a cause for concern in the region as this age cohort typically provides a significant economic impact in the region. The percentage of people between the ages of 25-44 in the Genesee/Finger Lakes region for 2012 was 24.2%, lower than New York State with 27.1%, and the nation with 26.5%. (CEDs, 2011-2012 data)

Table 6: Age Distribution for Livingston County, 2000-2010 provides a comparison of Livingston County’s age distribution statistics between 2000 and 2010. During that time period, the County lost 5,463 persons total under the age of 45. The 2010 Census indicates that 57% of the population is now under age 45. The County lost 1,704 school age children (ages 5-19 years old), an age group which now comprises about 20% of the total population in the County.

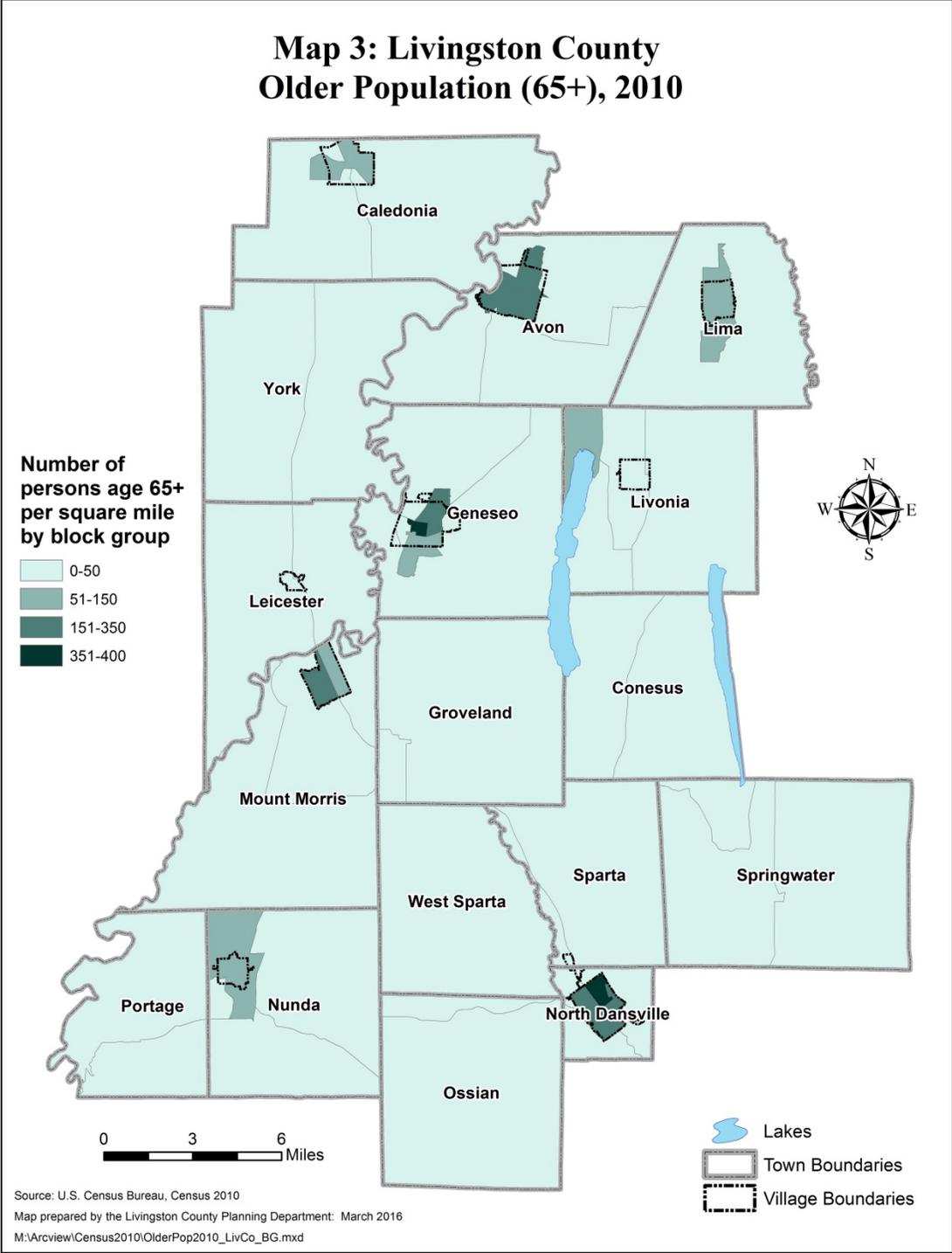
Table 6: Age Distribution for Livingston County, 2000-2010							
Population by Age	2000	2010	10 Year Change	% Change	% of Total Population for 2010	Group % of Total Pop for 2010	
Under 5 years	3,505	3,198	(307)	-8.8	4.9	5%	Under 5 Years
5 to 9	4,137	3,505	(632)	-15.3	5.4		
10 to 14	4,552	3,941	(611)	-13.4	6.0		
15 to 19	6,141	5,680	(461)	-7.5	8.7	20%	School Age
20 to 24	5,832	6,383	551	9.4	9.8		
25 to 29	3,460	3,469	9	0.3	5.3		
30 to 34	4,230	3,191	(1,039)	-24.6	4.9		
35 to 39	5,439	3,493	(1,946)	-35.8	5.3		
40 to 44	5,457	4,430	(1,027)	-18.8	6.8	32%	Workforce 20-44
45 to 49	4,801	5,336	535	11.1	8.2		
50 to 54	4,127	5,364	1,237	30.0	8.2		
55 to 59	3,011	4,563	1,552	51.5	7.0		
60 to 64	2,308	3,855	1,547	67.0	5.9	29%	Workforce 45-64
65 to 69	2,105	2,711	606	28.8	4.1		
70 to 74	1,799	2,018	219	12.2	3.1		
75 to 79	1,466	1,671	205	14.0	2.6		
80 to 84	1,038	1,297	259	25.0	2.0		
85 yrs. and older	920	1,288	368	40.0	2.0	14%	Over 65
Total	64,328	65,393	1,065				

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000 and 2010.

The percent change in population for the group ages 5 – 19 years old is shown on **Map 2: Town and Village Percent Change in Population, Ages 5 - 19 from 2000 to 2010**. The young adult cohort between age 20 and 29 is the only age group below age 45 that increased. In line with national and state trends, the County primarily lost young families (family households with own children under 18 years) between 2000 and 2010, reflecting a decrease of 11.9%. In contrast the County gained 5,993 persons age 50 and over. This older age group comprises nearly 35% of the population in the County. The median age in the County went up from 35.3 in 2000 to 39.8 in 2010.



Livingston County is aging in line with regional, state and national trends. Census 2010 data indicates that the percentage of people over the age of 65 in the Genesee Finger Lakes Region is 14.3%, compared to 13.5% in the State, and 13% in the nation. Every county in the Region had a larger percentage of its population over the age of 65 than the national total. Livingston County's population for the cohort 65 and over was 13.8%. **Map 3: Livingston County Older Population (65+), 2010**, illustrates the number of persons age 65 and over, per square mile by block group.



The **Livingston County Older Population (65+), 2010 map** shows higher concentrations of older populations in the Villages of Dansville, Geneseo, Avon, and Mount Morris. Over the decade, the number of residents 85 years and older increased from 1.4% of the total county population (920 people) to 2% (1,288 people). The increase of 368 individuals aged 85 years and older represents a significant population increase of 40% in this age group and highlights the growing need for elder care and support services. (Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2010; Genesee/Finger Lakes Economic Development District, Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy Update 2014-2015)

2. Race and Ethnic Composition

According to Census 2010, Livingston County’s population is predominantly white. **Table 7: Population by Race for Livingston County, 2010** provides data on the racial and ethnic diversity of the County’s population; race includes persons reporting one race alone. Persons reporting one race alone comprised 98.6% of the county’s population, with 1.4% reporting two or more races. Over the decade, the number of Asian residents increased by 59.6%, the residents of “two or more races” increased by 42%, and the number of African American or black residents decreased by 17.5%.

Table 7: Population by Race for Livingston County, 2000 - 2010						
Race, Persons reporting one race	2000		2010		Change, 2000 to 2010	
	Number	% of Total population	Number	% of Total population	Number	% Change
White	60,494	94%	61,363	93.8%	869	1.4%
Black or African American	1,938	3%	1,598	2.4%	-340	-17.5%
American Indian and Alaska Native	172	0.3%	187	0.3%	15	8.7%
Asian	492	0.8%	785	1.2%	293	59.6%
Native Hawaiian & Other Pacific Islander	20	– (0.1%)*	18	Less than .5%	-2	-10%
Other race	545	0.8%	495	0.8%	-50	-9.2%
Sub Total	63,661	99%	64,446	98.6 %	785	1.2%
Persons reporting two or more races	667	1.0%	947	1.4 %	280	42%
Total	64,328	100%	65,393	100%	1,065	

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000 and 2010. * represents or rounds to zero, calculated as 0.1%

Census 2010 collected data for both race and Hispanic origin. Hispanic or Latino origin is considered an ethnicity, not a race by the Census Bureau. People who identify their origin as Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish may be any race. The Census Bureau uses the terms “Hispanic or Latino” and “Hispanic” interchangeably, which refer to a person of Cuban, Mexican, Puerto Rican, South or Central American, or other Spanish culture or origin regardless of race. More than half of the total population growth in the United States between 2000 and 2010 was due to the increase in Hispanic population. (Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Overview of Race and Hispanic Origin: 2010)

According to the Census Bureau, a growing percentage of Americans do not select a race category as provided on the Census form. As many as 6% of respondents selected only “Some Other Race” in the 2010 Census, the vast majority of whom were Hispanic. To address the concerns regarding the increasing responses of “Some Other Race”, a combined race and ethnicity question is under consideration for the 2020 Census, which will offer people all the race and Hispanic options in one place, with the option to write in more detail about their origin, tribe or race.

Table 8: Population by Hispanic or Latino Origin for Livingston County, 2000-2010 shows 2.8% of the County’s population was of Hispanic or Latino origin in 2010, which reflects an increase of 24%.

Table 8: Population by Hispanic or Latino Origin for Livingston County, 2000 - 2010					
2000		2010		Change, 2000 to 2010	
Number	% of Total population	Number	% of Total population	Change in Number	% Change
1,459	2.3	1,802	2.8	343	24%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000 and 2010.

3. Income

Table 9: Median Household Income in Livingston County, Genesee/Finger Lakes Region, New York State, and United States, 2013 and 2014 Estimates provides data on median household incomes, comparing the 2013 and 2014 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates (ACS). For 2014, the median household income in Livingston County was \$52,200, which was higher than the region (\$51,579), but lower than the state (\$58,687) and the country (\$53,482). In comparison to the 2013 ACS Estimates, Livingston County experienced a decline in median household income, where region, state and country estimates rose slightly. Estimates are in 2013 and 2014 inflation-adjusted dollars.

Table 9: Median Household Income in Livingston County, Genesee/Finger Lakes Region, New York State, and United States, 2013 and 2014 Estimates		
County	Median Household Income, 2013	Median Household Income, 2014
Genesee	\$49,922	\$50,573
Livingston	\$53,518	\$52,200
Monroe	\$52,394	\$52,501
Ontario	\$56,479	\$57,318
Orleans	\$48,502	\$48,015
Seneca	\$47,618	\$48,932
Wayne	\$52,601	\$51,597
Wyoming	\$51,100	\$53,012
Yates	\$49,335	\$50,061
Genesee/Finger Lakes Region	\$51,274	\$51,579
New York State	\$58,003	\$58,687
United States	\$53,046	\$53,482

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2013 and 2014 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates.

In Livingston County, 76% percent of the households received earnings, and 24% received retirement income other than Social Security. 33% of the households received Social Security. The average income from Social Security was \$18,258. These income sources are not mutually exclusive; that is, some households received income from more than one source. The Census Bureau states that “income of households” includes the income of the householder and all other individuals 15 years and over in the household, whether they are related to the householder or not.

Table 10: Average Salary in Livingston County, Genesee/Finger Lakes Region, New York State, and United States, 2010 - 2014 shows that the total average salary in the region has been fairly flat since 2010, decreasing slightly by 0.5%. Livingston County has seen a decrease of 2.1%. This compares to the growth of 0.7% in the state and 1.2% in the nation. Livingston County's average salary, adjusted for inflation, has decreased since 2010, falling slightly from \$36,510 to \$35,753, which is below the average salary for the region at \$45,107, the state at \$65,887, and the nation at \$51,361. The average salary in Livingston County in 2014 is the second lowest in the region, above the average salary in Yates County. Salaries are a gauge of overall economic health and are an indication of the vitality of a region and its ability to compete and attract workers. (*ACTRochester.org*)

Table 10: Average Salary in Livingston County, Genesee/Finger Lakes Region, New York State, and United States, 2010-2014			
	Average Salary, 2010	Average Salary, 2014	Percent Change
Livingston	\$36,510	\$35,753	-2.1%
Genesee/Finger Lakes Region	\$45,309	\$45,107	-0.5%
New York State	\$65,456	\$65,887	0.7%
United States	\$50,755	\$51,361	1.2%

Source: ACTRochester.org. Data provided by Bureau of Labor Statistics. Figures are in constant 2014 dollars.

4. Poverty

On the following page, **Table 11: Poverty Status for Genesee/Finger Lakes Region, New York State and United States, 2014** provides an overview on the percentage of persons in poverty in the nine-county region. A comparison to New York State and the United States is also provided. Livingston and Genesee Counties both share mid-ranking for percentage of children under 18 years old living in poverty (18.9%) compared to all other counties in the region. Livingston County ranks the fourth highest of all other counties in the region for the percentage of persons of all ages living in poverty (14.7%). Livingston County’s poverty rate is below the rate of 15.6% for both New York State and the United States.

Table 11: Poverty Status for Genesee/Finger Lakes Region, New York State and United States, 2014

	Population Living in Poverty (%)	Population under 18 Living in Poverty (%)
Genesee	12.6	18.9
Livingston	14.7	18.9
Monroe	15.4	23.3
Ontario	10.4	13.6
Orleans	15.5	22.6
Seneca	13.0	16.6
Wayne	11.9	18.0
Wyoming	10.2	14.6
Yates	15.4	24.3
G-FL Region	13.7	19.5
New York	15.6	22.1
United States	15.6	21.9

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2014 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates. Based on population for whom poverty status is determined.

On the following page, **Table 12: Poverty Characteristics for Livingston County, 2014**, compares poverty data based on age, gender, race, educational attainment, employment and work experience. According to the 2014 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates (ACS), within Livingston County, the greatest portion of the population living in poverty falls in the age groups Under 18 Years (18.9%) and 18 to 64 Years (15.3%). According to ACT Rochester Community Indicators for the Greater Rochester Area, “children raised in impoverished environments are at higher risk for a wide variety of health and social problems, including poor performance in school. The challenges they face in childhood can diminish their chances for successful adult lives.”

The 2014 ACS data reports that, of the Livingston County population 25 years and older, people with less than a high school diploma experienced a poverty rate of 25.5%, while those with a bachelor’s degree or higher experienced a poverty rate of 3.1%. This reflects the relationship between income status and educational performance.

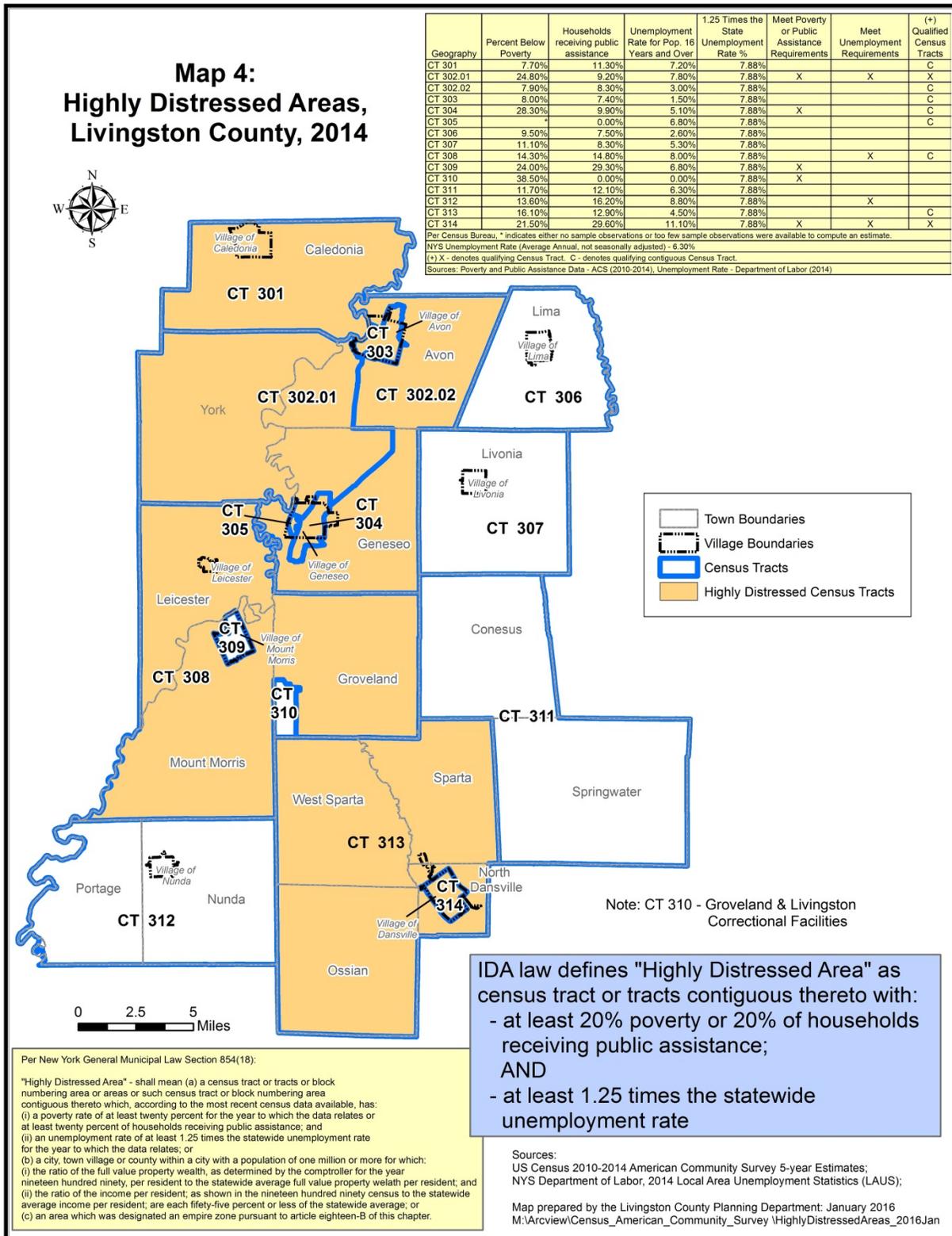
The 2014 ACS data shows the highest percentage of persons in Livingston County living in poverty reported race as Some Other Race (70.1%), followed by Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific (66.7%) and Asian (48.4%). In contrast, the lowest percentage of person living in poverty reported race as White (13.9%). According to the Census Bureau, a growing percentage of Americans do not select a race category as provided on the Census form, rather they select only “Some Other Race”. In the 2010 Census, the vast majority of those respondents were Hispanic.

Table 12: Poverty Characteristics for Livingston County, 2014

	Total Estimate	Below Poverty Level	Percent Below Poverty Level
Population for whom poverty status is determined	59,904	8,644	14.7%
AGE			
Under 18 years	12,409	2,343	18.9%
Related children under 18 years	12,366	2,302	18.6%
18 to 64 years	37,331	5,698	15.3%
65 years and over	9,164	603	6.6%
SEX			
Male	28,881	3,684	12.8%
Female	30,023	4,960	16.5%
RACE AND HISPANIC OR LATINO			
One Race	57,856	8,483	14.7%
White	56,383	7,843	13.9%
Black of African American	524	150	28.6%
American Indian and Alaska Native	67	0	0%
Asian	589	285	48.4%
Native Hawaiian and Other Pacific	15	10	66.7%
Some other race	278	195	70.1%
Two or more races	1,048	161	15.4%
Hispanic or Latino origin (of any race)	1,379	592	42.9%
White alone, not Hispanic or Latino	55,481	7,552	13.6%
EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT			
Population 25 years and over	40,222	3,811	9.5%
Less than high school graduate	3,993	1,019	25.5%
High school graduate, includes equivalency	13,973	1,491	10.7%
Some college, associate's degree	12,262	991	8.1%
Bachelor's degree or higher	9,994	310	3.1%
EMPLOYMENT STATUS			
Civilian labor force 16 years and over	31,370	3,247	10.4%
Employed	29,490	2,567	8.7%
Unemployed	1,880	680	36.2%
WORK EXPERIENCE IN PAST 12 MONTHS			
Population 16 years and over	48,064	6,515	13.6%
Worked full-time, year round	19,866	571	2.9%
Worked part-time/part-time year round	12,723	3,094	24.3%
Did not work	15,475	2,850	18.4%

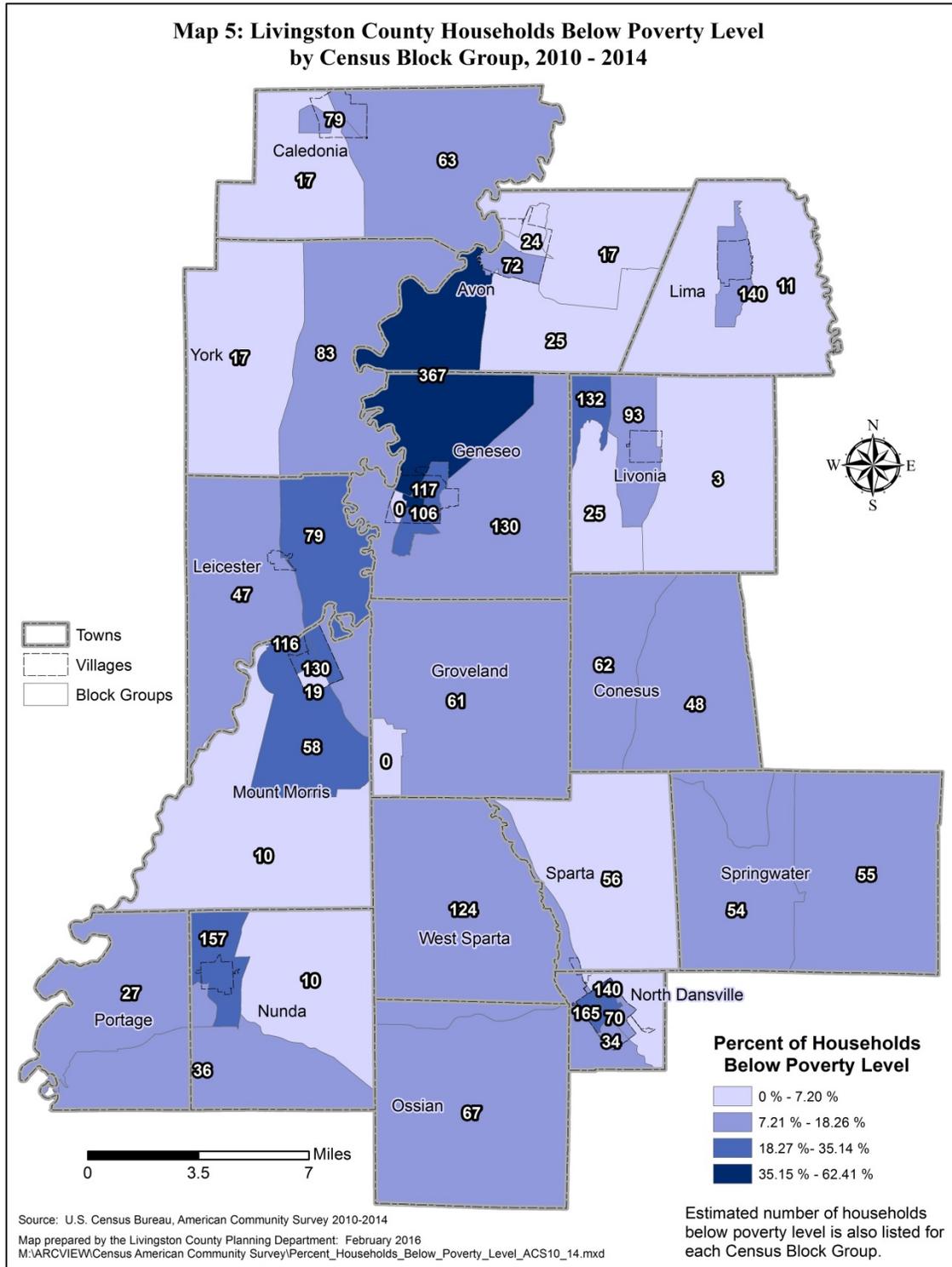
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2014 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates.

Map 4: Highly Distressed Areas, Livingston County, 2014 shows census tracts or contiguous census tracts with at least 20% poverty or 20% of households receiving public assistance **and** at least 1.25 times the statewide unemployment rate. The map shows census tracts in Livingston County that meet the Highly Distressed Areas criteria.



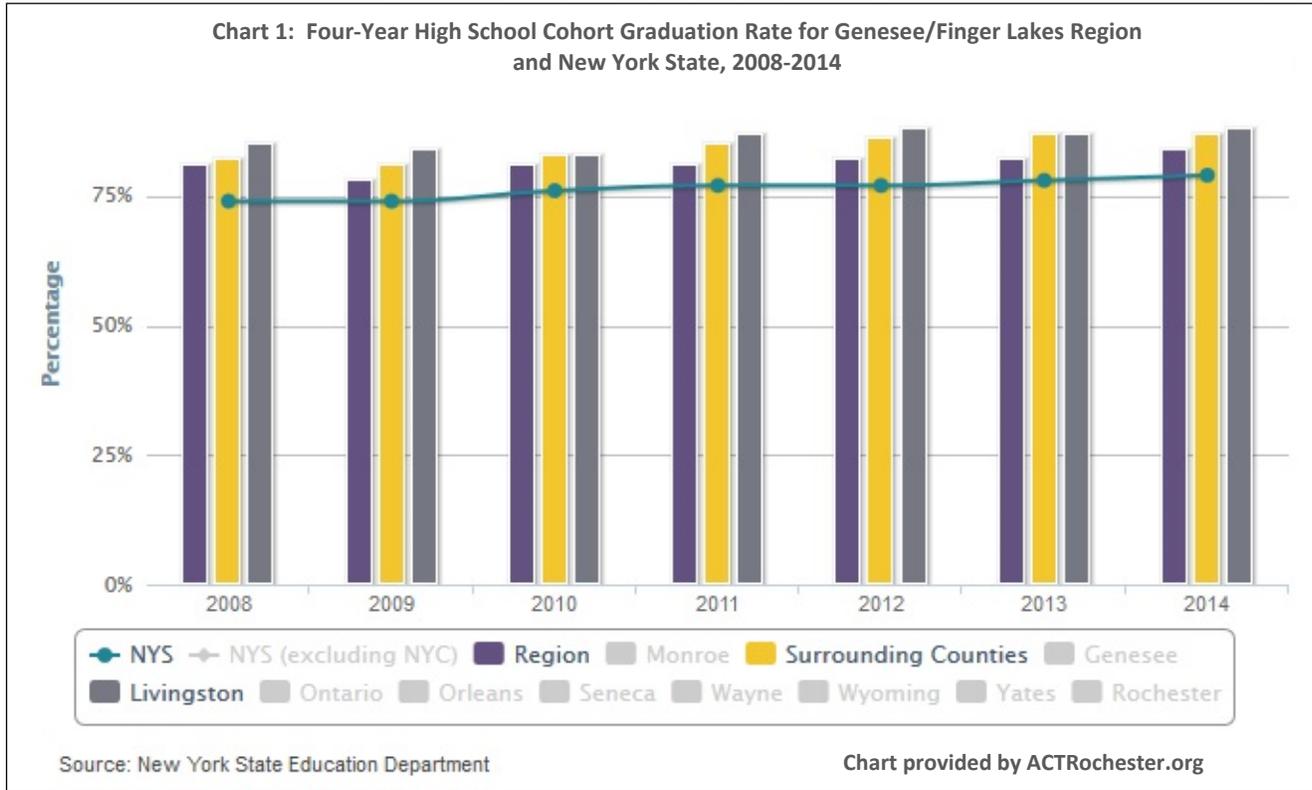
Map 5: Livingston County Households below Poverty Level by Census Block Group, 2010-2014

provides the percent of households below poverty level, based on the 2014 American Community Survey 5-Year estimates. This map highlights concentrations of households in poverty in Avon and Geneseo. The Census Block Group with the highest percentage of poverty (367 households) extends from the Village of Geneseo to the Village of Avon.



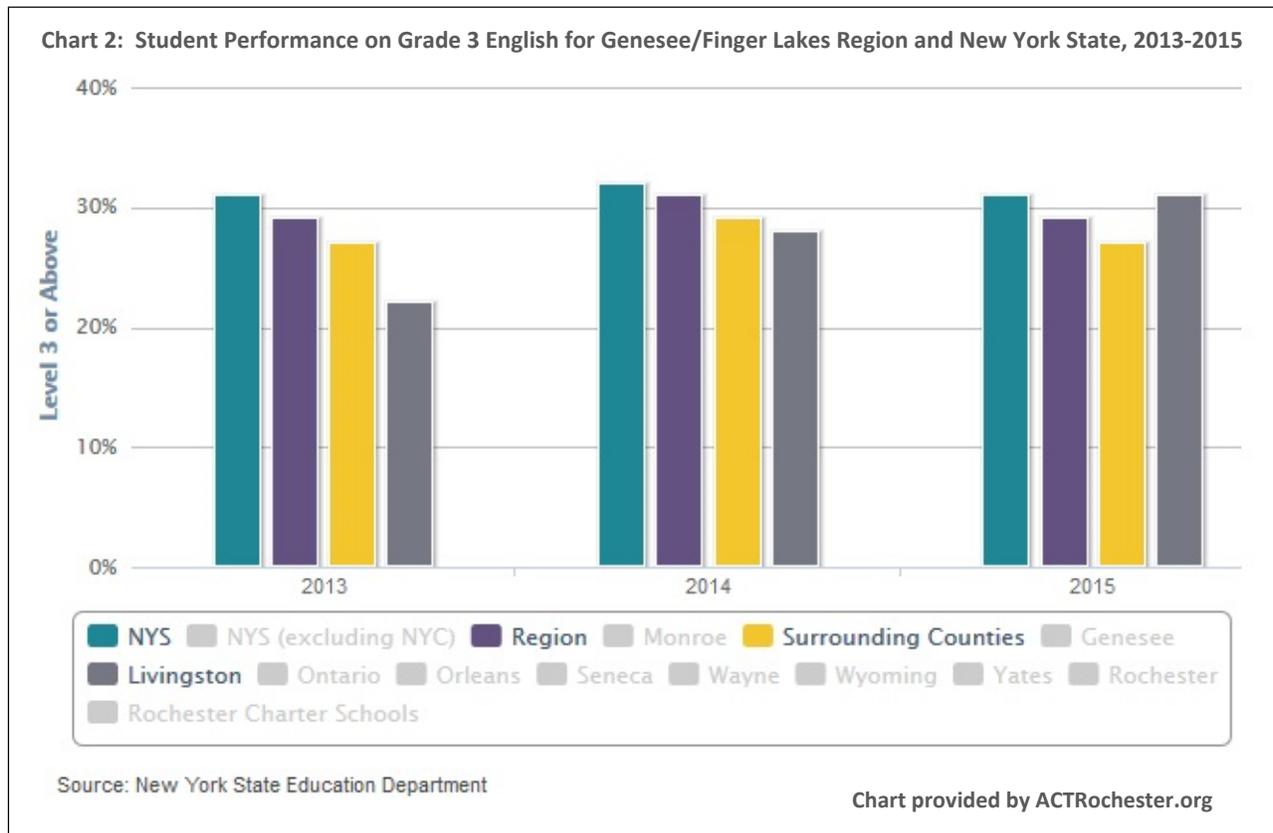
5. Education

Education is an area of strength for Livingston County. **Chart 1: Four-Year High School Cohort Graduation Rate for Genesee/Finger Lakes Region and New York State, 2008-2014** shows that the County had one of the highest graduation rates in the region at 88%, compared to 84% in the region and 79% statewide in 2014.



Since 2000, spending on education has increased. Livingston County spent 46% more per student in 2014 than it did in 2000 (adjusted for inflation). The \$20,021 spent per student was above the regional rate of \$19,840 but below the state rate of \$21,812. According to ACT Rochester, studies have found that higher spending does not necessarily lead to higher student achievement, as a number of factors can contribute to student success, such as parental and community influences.

From 2014 to 2015, performance has consistently improved on state tests. **Chart 2: Student Performance on Grade 3 English for Genesee/Finger Lakes Region and New York State, 2013-2015** shows in 2015, about 31% of 3rd graders in Livingston County passed the state English exam linked to Common Core standards, above the region (29%) and equal to the state (31%). In comparison, 29% of 8th graders in Livingston County passed the state Math exam, above the region (17%) and the state (22%).



Livingston County's pre-kindergarten participation increased substantially from 2001 to 2014. During the 2000-01 school year, 4% of its 4-year-olds were enrolled. In the 2013-2014 school year, 183 children were enrolled for a participation rate of 29%. (Figures reflect children in free pre-kindergarten programs provided by school districts or community organizations.) In 1997, New York State enacted a law providing public support for pre-kindergarten. Despite the increase, Livingston County's participation rate is the third lowest among the surrounding counties, and it remains below the regional rate of 40% and the state rate of 44%. The rate of participation in Livingston County might be influenced by the availability of free pre-kindergarten programs. (Source: NYS Education Department, provided by ACTRochester.org)

Table 13: Educational Attainment Rates for Genesee/Finger Lakes Region, New York State and United States for Population 25 Years and Over, 2014 Estimates illustrates that, in Livingston County, 88.8% of the population 25 years and older had a high school diploma or higher. This is compared to 87.9% in the Region, 85.4% in New York State and 86.4% nationally. Regionally, Livingston County ranked fourth, exceeded by Ontario, Monroe and Wayne Counties.

Table 13 also shows that 23.9% of the population 25 years and older in Livingston County had a Bachelor's Degree or higher. This is higher than the Region total of 22.9%, but lower than the State total of 33.7% and the national total of 29.3%. In contrast, 12.9% of the population 25 years and older in Livingston County had an Associate's Degree. This is higher than the region total of 12.0%, state total of 8.5% and national total of 7.9%.

Table 13: Educational Attainment Rates for Genesee/Finger Lakes Region, New York State and United States, Population 25 years and Over, 2014 Estimates

	Less than HS	HS Graduate	Some college	Associates Degree	Bachelor's Degree	Graduate Degree or Higher
Genesee	9.2%	37.7%	19.0%	13.9%	12.5%	7.8%
Livingston	11.2%	34.7%	17.3%	12.9%	13.2%	10.7%
Monroe	10.1%	24.8%	17.4%	11.7%	20.0%	15.9%
Ontario	8.5%	28.7%	18.4%	12.8%	17.7%	13.9%
Orleans	14.2%	40.5%	18.8%	10.3%	10.3%	5.9%
Seneca	14.6%	33.8%	19.7%	12.3%	11.5%	8.1%
Wayne	10.7%	36.8%	18.6%	12.6%	12.8%	8.5%
Wyoming	13.2%	40.0%	19.4%	12.6%	9.2%	5.5%
Yates	13.7%	35.6%	17.0%	9.5%	12.3%	11.9%
G-FL Region	12.0%	34.6%	18.4%	12.0%	13.4%	9.5%
New York State	14.7%	26.9%	16.3%	8.5%	19.1%	14.6%
United States	13.6%	28.0%	21.2%	7.9%	18.3%	11.0%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2014 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates.

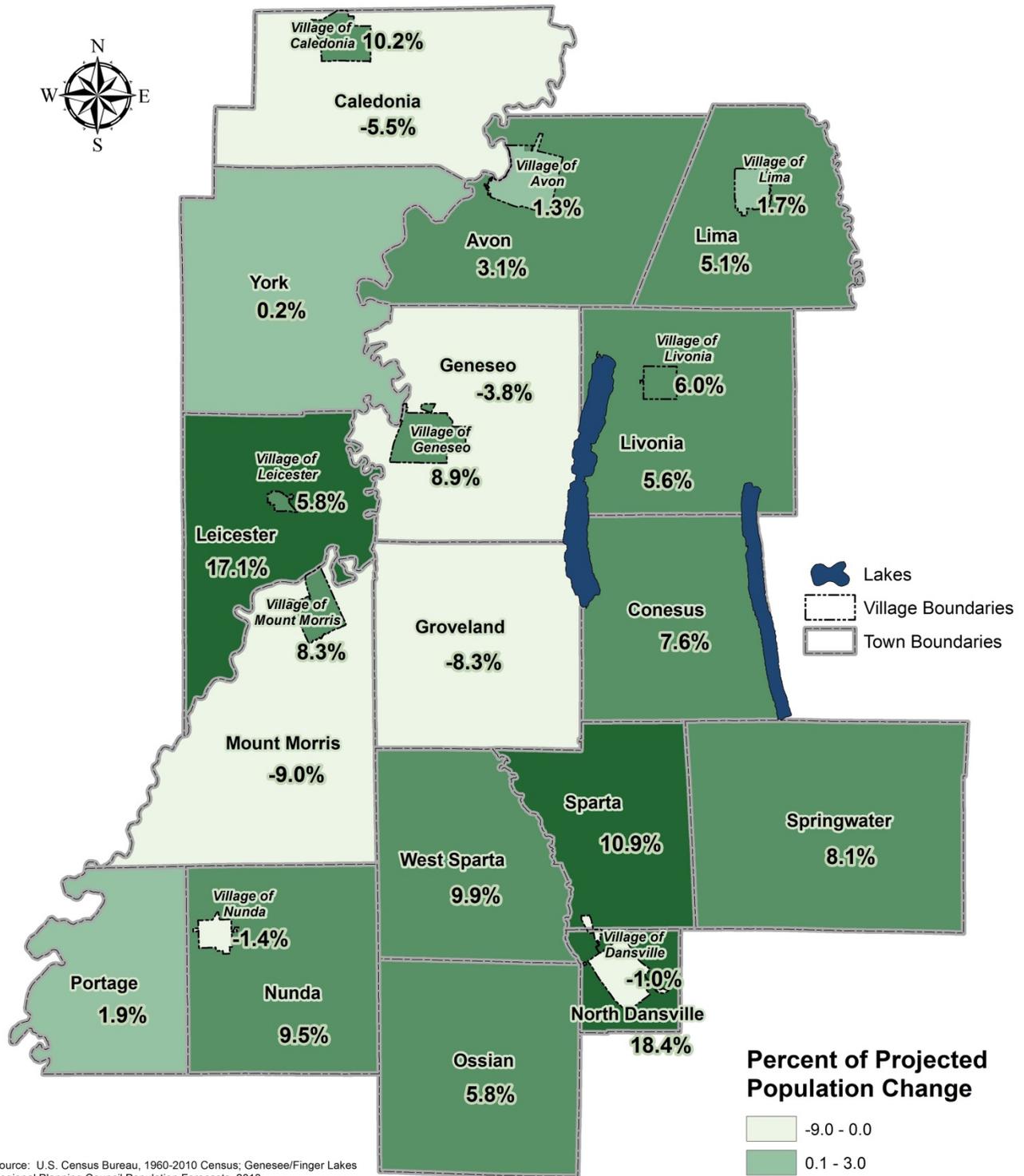
E. Population Projections

Historically, Livingston County has had significant population growth in the Genesee-Finger Lakes region, as evidenced by the second highest growth rate (48.8%) within the region in the last 50 years. The Genesee/Finger Lakes Regional Planning Council prepared population forecasts in 2013 for all counties in the nine-county region. According to these forecasts, Livingston County's population is projected to increase conservatively but at a decreasing rate between 2020 and 2050. The following **Map 6: Town and Village Percent Change in Population, Projected from 2020 to 2050** and **Table 14: Historical and Projected Net Change in Population for Livingston County** shows the population trends for all 26 municipalities in Livingston County.

According to the Genesee-Finger Lakes Regional Planning Council forecasts, the majority of Livingston County towns and villages have a projected increase in population. The Village of Geneseo has the largest projected increase due to the presence of SUNY Geneseo. The Towns of Avon and Lima will likely see an increase in population due to their proximity to Interstate 390.

Note that population projections are estimates of the population for future dates and should be viewed as a trend.

Map 6: Town and Village Percent Change in Population, Projected from 2010 to 2050



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 1960-2010 Census; Genesee/Finger Lakes Regional Planning Council Population Forecasts, 2013
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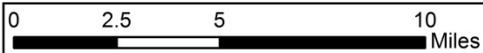


Table 14: Historical and Projected Population for Livingston County, 1960-2050

Decennial Changes	Historical						Projected			
	1960	1970	1980	1990	2000	2010	2020	2030	2040	2050
Livingston County	44,053	54,041	57,006	62,372	64,328	65,393	66,179	66,887	67,501	68,043
Town of Avon	1,632	2,857	3,179	3,288	3,466	3,770	3,675	3,755	3,824	3,885
Village of Avon	2,772	3,260	3,006	2,995	2,977	3,394	3,207	3,294	3,370	3,438
Town of Caledonia	1,150	1,505	1,846	2,179	2,240	2,054	2,091	2,035	1,986	1,942
Village of Caledonia	1,917	2,327	2,188	2,262	2,327	2,201	2,376	2,395	2,410	2,425
Town of Conesus	1,221	1,533	1,970	2,196	2,353	2,473	2,506	2,564	2,615	2,660
Town of Geneseo	1,053	1,564	1,927	1,991	2,075	2,452	2,216	2,271	2,318	2,360
Village of Geneseo	3,284	5,714	6,746	7,187	7,579	8,031	8,159	8,382	8,574	8,744
Town of Groveland	3,373	3,004	2,140	3,190	3,853	3,249	3,418	3,252	3,107	2,978
Town of Leicester	1,027	1,431	1,426	1,818	1,818	1,732	1,923	1,963	1,998	2,028
Village of Leicester	365	368	462	405	469	468	482	487	491	495
Town of Lima	1,350	1,759	1,834	2,022	2,082	2,166	2,178	2,215	2,247	2,276
Village of Lima	1,366	1,686	2,025	2,165	2,459	2,139	2,318	2,263	2,216	2,175
Town of Livonia	2,580	4,026	4,504	5,370	5,913	6,400	6,334	6,496	6,635	6,759
Village of Livonia	946	1,278	1,238	1,434	1,373	1,409	1,434	1,456	1,477	1,494
Town of Mount Morris	1,317	1,162	1,439	1,531	1,301	1,479	1,323	1,332	1,339	1,346
Village of Mount Morris	3,250	3,417	3,039	3,102	3,266	2,986	3,250	3,244	3,238	3,233
Town of North Dansville	635	922	1,015	781	906	819	938	950	961	970
Village of Dansville	5,460	5,436	4,979	5,002	4,832	4,719	4,753	4,723	4,697	4,673
Town of Nunda	1,085	1,320	1,523	1,584	1,687	1,687	1,767	1,797	1,823	1,847
Village of Nunda	1,224	1,254	1,169	1,347	1,330	1,377	1,343	1,349	1,354	1,358
Town of Ossian	489	551	667	797	751	789	793	808	823	835
Town of Portage	733	731	771	893	859	884	880	887	895	901
Town of Sparta	1,019	1,157	1,458	1,578	1,627	1,624	1,714	1,747	1,775	1,801
Town of Springwater	1,293	1,678	2,143	2,407	2,322	2,439	2,478	2,538	2,590	2,636
Town of West Sparta	817	935	1,100	1,335	1,244	1,255	1,311	1,337	1,360	1,379
Town of York	2,695	3,166	3,212	3,513	3,219	3,397	3,312	3,347	3,378	3,405

* Note: Town figures DO NOT include village (V) population. They are calculated as separate entries.

Source: Genesee/Finger Lakes Regional Planning Council, Population Forecasts, 2013. Data provided by US Census Bureau, decennial census.

II. HOUSING PROFILE

A. Structural Characteristics

1. Housing Units

According to the 2010 Census, Livingston County has 27,123 housing units. This represents an increase of nearly 13%, or an additional 3,100 housing units, since 2000. **Table 15: Housing Unit Trends by Town and Village, Livingston County, 2000-2010** shows the change in the number of units between 2000 and 2010 in each town and village. **Table 15** shows that the Town of Livonia and Village of Geneseo experienced the greatest increase in number of units. The Town of Conesus experienced the largest percentage increase with over 30% growth.

Table 15: Housing Unit Trends by Town and Village, Livingston County, 2000-2010				
	Total Housing Units 2000	Total Housing Units 2010	Change	% Change
Avon	2,699	3,115	416	15.4%
Caledonia	1,750	1,802	52	3.0%
Conesus	963	1,257	294	30.5%
Geneseo	2,663	3,294	631	23.7%
Groveland	648	755	107	16.5%
Leicester	900	981	81	9.0%
Lima	1,610	1,806	196	12.2%
Livonia	3,004	3,537	533	17.7%
Mount Morris	1,924	2,025	101	5.2%
North Dansville	2,514	2,573	59	2.3%
Nunda	1,301	1,372	71	5.5%
Ossian	359	375	16	4.5%
Portage	349	389	40	11.5%
Sparta	638	667	29	4.5%
Springwater	1,021	1,242	221	21.6%
West Sparta	442	565	123	27.8%
York	1,238	1,368	130	10.5%
Total, Town including Village	24,023	27,123	3,100	12.9% average
Avon, Village	1,214	1,496	282	23.2%
Caledonia, Village	938	971	33	3.5%
Dansville, Village	2,090	2,166	76	3.6%
Geneseo, Village	1,768	1,981	213	12.0%
Leicester, Village	193	233	40	20.7%
Lima, Village	799	847	48	6.0%
Livonia, Village	558	605	47	8.4%
Mount Morris, Village	1,412	1,463	51	3.6%
Nunda, Village	547	593	46	8.4%
Total, Village only	9,519	10,355	836	8.8% average

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000 and 2010. Figures for Towns include Villages.

Table 16: Residential Unit Permits by Town and Village, Livingston County, 2010-2014 reports on the number of permits issued for residential units and reflects areas of growth in Livingston County. This data was obtained from the 2014 Regional Land Use Monitoring Report (LUMR) prepared by the Genesee/Finger Lakes Regional Planning Council. According to the 2014 LUMR, 430 residential units were permitted in Livingston County from 2010 to 2014. The Town of Geneseo had the highest number of residential units permitted (118), followed by the Town of Livonia (47) and the Town of West Sparta (28). During this time period, The Town of Geneseo experienced an increase in multi-family housing units.

Table 16: Residential Unit Permits by Town and Village, Livingston County, 2010-2014						
	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	5 Yr. Total
Avon	9	3	5	2	6	25
Caledonia	2	6	5	2	2	17
Conesus	7	4	7	0	1	19
Geneseo	23	9	5	33	48	118
Groveland	6	1	5	3	3	18
Leicester	1	1	3	0	1	6
Lima	3	4	4	5	2	18
Livonia	10	7	15	0	15	47
Mount Morris	3	3	0	2	2	10
North Dansville	4	2	3	5	7	21
Nunda	4	2	0	0	1	7
Ossian	0	0	0	2	0	2
Portage	2	0	0	0	3	5
Sparta	3	1	2	2	1	9
Springwater	1	5	4	3	3	16
West Sparta	4	4	13	6	1	28
York	2	3	2	1	1	9
Total, Town including Village	84	55	73	66	97	375
Avon, Village	1	2	5	0	2	10
Caledonia, Village	1	0	0	0	1	2
Dansville, Village	0	1	0	0	1	2
Geneseo, Village	3	9	1	8	3	24
Leicester, Village	0	2	1	0	0	3
Lima, Village	0	2	0	2	1	5
Livonia, Village	0	0	2	0	0	2
Mount Morris, Village	0	0	0	1	0	1
Nunda, Village	1	0	1	0	4	6
Total, Village only	6	16	10	11	12	55

Source: Genesee/Finger Lakes Regional Planning Council, Regional Land Use Monitoring Report, 2014

2. Housing Types

Table 17: Livingston County Housing Types, 2015, provides the breakdown of residential properties based on the Livingston County Real Property Tax Services database. It is important to note that the numbers included in the housing type do not include single-family homes or mobile homes on agricultural property.

Table 17: Housing Types for Livingston County, 2015	
Housing Type	# of parcels
Single-Family	16,850
Two-Family	764
Three-Family	135
Apartments	217
Mobile Homes (Outside of Mobile Home Parks)	1,154
Mobile Home Parks	51
Seasonal	510
Homes for the Aged	6
<i>Source: Livingston County Real Property Tax Services, Real Property Tax Parcel Records, 2015.</i>	

3. Age of Housing Stock

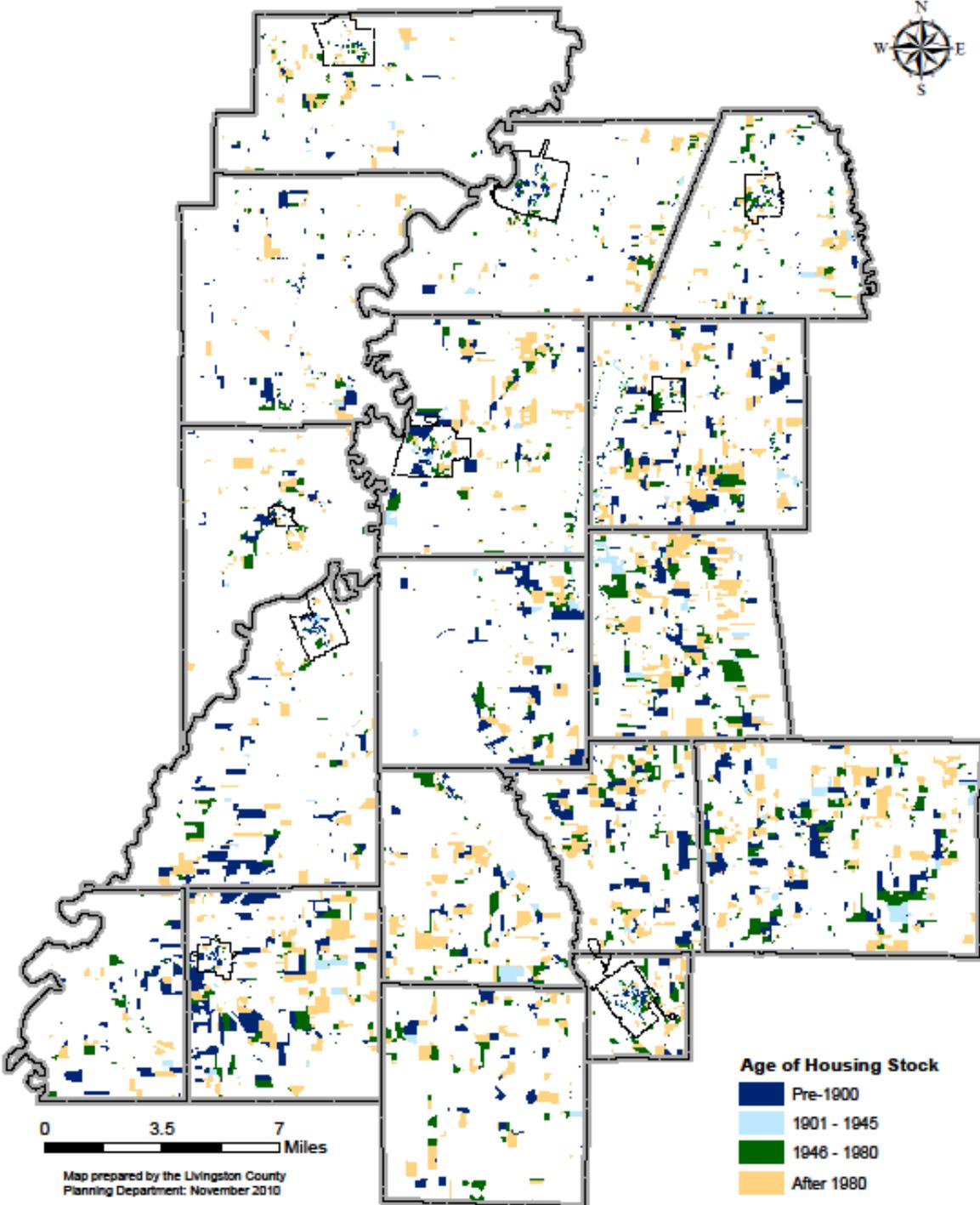
According to Census 2000, Livingston County has an aging housing stock with 14,493 units built before 1970, which is 60% of the County's total housing. For housing built in 1939 or earlier, the Village of Dansville has the oldest housing stock with 1,169 units (60% of its total housing stock) and the Village of Mount Morris has the second oldest housing stock with 715 units (51% of its total housing stock). Census 2010 did not provide data on "Year Structure Built" for general housing characteristics. **Table 18: Year Structure Built & Median Year Built, Livingston County, Year 2000 or Earlier** and **Map 7: Age of Housing Stock, pre-1900 to 2006** on the following pages show the age distribution of the housing stock in Livingston County, pre-1900 to 2006.

Table 18: Year Structure Built & Median Year Built, Livingston County, Year 2000 or Earlier

	1939 or Earlier	1940 - 1949	1950 - 1959	1960 - 1969	1970 - 1979	1980 - 1989	1990 - 1994	1995 - 1998	1999 - March 2000	Total	Median Year Built
Avon	1,004	93	304	328	395	297	89	130	59	2,699	1958
Caledonia	607	73	117	220	217	378	87	40	11	1,750	1964
Conesus	214	64	55	92	141	214	77	89	17	963	1974
Geneseo	898	106	111	438	362	357	146	225	20	2,663	1965
Groveland	225	68	69	52	116	78	15	19	6	648	1954
Leicester	349	21	61	81	174	119	38	51	6	900	1962
Lima	511	26	96	200	317	228	106	89	37	1,610	1969
Livonia	859	116	359	331	230	517	342	228	22	3,004	1965
Mt. Morris	871	140	175	164	152	156	152	58	56	1,924	1947
North Dansville	1,273	260	249	182	262	130	94	43	21	2,514	1939
Nunda	641	51	51	82	139	140	102	59	36	1,301	1942
Ossian	80	90	15	21	75	40	23	10	5	359	1956
Portage	157	17	14	28	47	43	24	17	2	349	1950
Sparta	221	22	30	55	128	94	56	21	11	638	1968
Springwater	291	34	28	113	167	222	86	54	26	1,021	1973
West Sparta	104	14	16	46	90	85	45	40	2	442	1975
York	545	57	61	147	215	135	8	53	17	1,238	1953
Total, Town including Village	8,850	1,252	1,811	2,580	3,227	3,233	1,490	1,226	354	24,023	
Avon, Village	589	50	196	134	50	111	23	61	0	1,214	1944
Caledonia, Village	451	66	79	113	63	116	27	18	5	938	1943
Dansville, Village	1,169	249	224	113	196	73	41	17	8	2,090	1939
Geneseo, Village	600	55	96	296	260	244	73	139	5	1,768	1964
Leicester, Village	84	11	17	14	30	12	13	12	0	193	1951
Lima, Village	296	12	34	96	106	131	46	63	15	799	1966
Livonia, Village	231	20	64	54	44	88	38	15	4	558	1954
Mt. Morris, Village	715	110	132	103	111	97	60	40	44	1,412	1939
Nunda, Village	363	13	39	31	18	29	43	7	4	547	1939
Total, Village only	4498	586	881	954	878	901	364	372	85	9,519	1960

***NOTE – Figures for Towns include Villages. Village numbers are shown only for breakdown. Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000**

Map 7: Age of Housing Stock, pre-1900 to 2006



Map prepared by the Livingston County Planning Department: November 2010
Source: Livingston County Real Property Tax Services tax parcel attributes, 2006
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4. Median Home Values and Median Gross Rents

Based on 2014 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates, the median home value for each county in the region was significantly less than the State median home value (\$283,700) and the national median home value (\$175,700), as shown in **Table 19 Median Home Values and Median Gross Rents for Genesee-Finger Lakes Region, New York State and United States, 2014 Estimates**. Livingston County’s median gross rent of \$711 was comparable to the region (\$692), and less than the State’s median gross rent of \$1117 and the national median gross rent of \$920. Per the Census Bureau, gross rent is the amount of the contract rent plus the estimated average monthly cost of utilities (gas, electric, water and sewer) and fuels (oil, kerosene, wood, etc.), either paid by the renter or by someone else for the renter.

Table 19: Median Home Values and Median Gross Rents for Genesee/Finger Lakes Region, New York State and United States, 2014 Estimates		
	Median Home Value	Median Gross Rent per Month
Genesee	\$105,200	\$722
Livingston	\$119,200	\$711
Monroe	\$136,600	\$820
Ontario	\$140,100	\$789
Orleans	\$91,300	\$638
Seneca	\$95,400	\$692
Wayne	\$110,400	\$689
Wyoming	\$101,800	\$594
Yates	\$121,600	\$665
Region	\$112,400	\$692
New York State	\$283,700	\$1117
United States	\$175,700	\$920

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2014 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates.

B. Occupant Characteristics

1. Rent/Own

Livingston County, and the broader Genesee-Finger Lakes Region, offers moderate housing prices which are reflected in both median home values and owner occupancy rates. Based on 2014 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates, Livingston County had a higher percentage of owner occupied units (73.9%) compared to the region, (73.8%), the state (53.8%) and the U.S. (64.4%). On the following page, **Table 20: Owner Occupied Housing Units for Genesee-Finger Lakes Region, New York State and United States, 2014 Estimates** offers a comparison.

Table 20: Owner Occupied Housing Units for Genesee/Finger Lakes Region, New York State and United States, 2014 Estimates (Percent)

	Owner Occupied Units (%)
Genesee	73.1%
Livingston	73.9%
Monroe	64.5%
Ontario	73.1%
Orleans	76.6%
Seneca	73.1%
Wayne	78.0%
Wyoming	74.9%
Yates	77.3%
Region	73.8%
New York State	53.8%
United States	64.4%

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2014 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates.

Table 21: Total Housing Units for Livingston County, 2000-2010, shows that the majority of Livingston County housing units are owner-occupied, up about 8%, or 1,336 housing units, since 2000. There were 6,564 renter occupied units in 2010. This number represents an increase of 16%, or 923 units, over the 2000 Census figure of 5,641.

Table 21: Total Housing Units for Livingston County, 2000-2010

	2000	2010	10 Year Change	% Change
Total Housing Units	24,023	27,123	3,100	12.9
Occupied	22,150	24,409	2,259	10.2
Owner	16,509	17,845	1,336	8.1
Renter	5,641	6,564	923	16.4
Vacant	1,873	2,714	841	44.9

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2010

2. Vacancy Rates

Livingston County has a 6.3% rental housing vacancy rate, compared to the region (4.7%), state (4.4%) and nation (6.9%). Livingston County has a 1.7% owner-occupied housing vacancy rate, compared to the region (1.3%), state (1.8%), and nation (2.1%). The number of vacant housing units in the County increased nearly 45%, up 841 units between the 2000 & 2010 Census. **Table 22: Vacancy Rate for Homeowner and Rental Units for Livingston County, 2010** shows the vacancy rate for Livingston County communities. Among the towns and villages in Livingston County, homeowner vacancy rates range from 0.3% in Portage to 5.1% in Leicester, while rental vacancy rates range from 0% in Portage to 14.2% in Lima.

Table 22: Vacancy Rate for Homeowner and Rental Units for Livingston County, 2010 (Percent)		
Town	Homeowner Vacancy Rate (%) *	Rental Vacancy Rate (%) **
Avon	1.2	3.5
Caledonia	2.0	5.0
Conesus	1.3	6.7
Geneseo	1.5	1.9
Groveland	1.9	2.4
Leicester	5.1	4.4
Lima	1.6	14.2
Livonia	1.2	7.8
Mount Morris	3.0	11.7
North Dansville	1.4	9.4
Nunda	1.7	4.3
Ossian	1.1	7.5
Portage	0.3	0
Sparta	1.0	11.8
Springwater	1.9	10
West Sparta	1.2	1.3
York	1.3	1.9
Livingston County	1.7	6.3
<i>Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2010.</i>		
<i>Vacancy Rates include villages.</i>		
* The homeowner rate is the proportion of the homeowner inventory that is vacant "for sale." It is computed by dividing the total number of vacant units "for sale only" by the sum of owner-occupied units, vacant units that are "for sale only," and vacant units that have been sold but not yet occupied; and then multiplying by 100.		
** The rental rate is the proportion of the rental inventory that is vacant "for rent." It is computed by dividing the total number of vacant units "for rent" by the sum of renter-occupied units, vacant units that are "for rent," and vacant units that have been rented but not yet occupied; and then multiplying by 100.		

III. OTHER INDICATORS

A. Economy

The Genesee/Finger Lakes Economic Development District CEDS Update 2014-2015 recognizes Livingston County's economic development efforts focusing on the retention and expansion of existing businesses, the attraction of new businesses, entrepreneurship, small business development and agri-business. Further, CEDS noted that the economy in Livingston County is balanced among manufacturing, public/non-profit sectors, agribusiness and commuting to jobs in Monroe and surrounding counties. Commuting to nearby counties is supported by Interstate

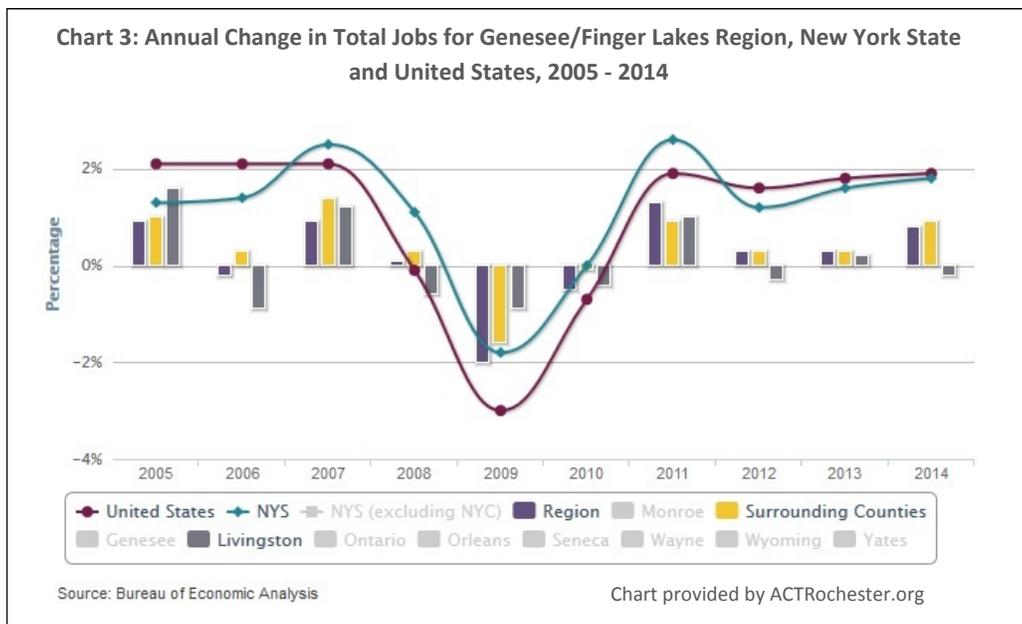
390, which bisects Livingston County providing north-south travel within the County and to/from Monroe County and the City of Rochester.

1. Employment

According to ACT Rochester, job growth is a key indicator of economic health and reveals whether and by how much an economy is expanding. In addition to the number of jobs, the quality of jobs should be considered; refer to the preceding section on average salary as a measure of job quality. **Table 23: Total Jobs in Livingston County, 2005-2014** shows an overall loss of 267 total jobs in the county over the past 8 years, which reflects a decrease of 0.9%. From 2007 to 2010, total jobs declined in Livingston County by 466 jobs. Since 2010, total jobs in the County have fluctuated slightly. See **Chart 3: Annual Change in Total Jobs for Genesee/Finger Lakes Region, New York State and United States, 2005-2014**. This data series was compiled by the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis and includes employment in farming and among sole proprietors; therefore, these job totals are larger than those estimated monthly by the NYS Department of Labor and U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. County employment estimates are reported by place of work, not place of residence. (Source: ACTRochester.org)

Table 23: Total Jobs in Livingston County, 2005-2014										
	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Livingston County	29,568	29,310	29,659	29,522	29,283	29,193	29,500	29,481	29,637	29,301

Source: ACTRochester.org. Data provided by Bureau of Economic Analysis. County employment is reported by place of work, not place of residence.



2. Job Sectors

Livingston County is part of the larger regional and national transition from manufacturing to knowledge-based/service-based industry. According to the Genesee/Finger Lakes Economic Development District CEDS Update, the top sectors of employment in Livingston County were government, retail trade, accommodation and food service, and manufacturing (Source: Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages, 2014) In addition, CEDS recognized the health care industry and tourism as key aspects of the County’s economy. Further, CEDS noted the development of senior/health care facilities over the past ten years in the County, such as the Livingston County Center for Nursing and Rehabilitation, Geneseo Kidney Dialysis Center, Livingston Health Services Ambulatory Care Center, and additional senior-living complexes in Geneseo. The CEDs reiterated the priority of additional community based solutions for senior services.

From 2001 to 2013, Livingston County saw job growth in several major business sectors, including a 50% increase in Financial Activities. The biggest decline was in Manufacturing, down 13%. **Table 24: Percent Change in Job Sectors for Livingston County, 2001 – 2014** shows the sectors with the largest growth from 2001 to 2014 were Financial Activities (40%), Leisure and Hospitality (21%), and both Educational Services and Other Services (18%). The County experienced the greatest declines in Government (13%), Manufacturing (9%) and Trade, Transportation & Utilities (4%). (Source: ACTRochester.org)

Table 24: Percent Change in Job Sectors for Livingston County, 2001 – 2014 (Percent)	
Job Sector	Percent Change (%)
Construction	16
Educational Services	18
Financial Activities	56
Government	-13
Health Care & Social Assistance	13
Information	4
Leisure & Hospitality	21
Manufacturing	-9
Natural Resources & Mining	Not Available
Other Services	18
Professional & Business Services	17
Trade, Transportation & Utilities	-4

Source: ACTRochester.org. Data provided by Bureau of Economic Analysis.

3. Unemployment

Chart 4: Unemployment Rate for Genesee/Finger Lakes Region, New York State and United States, 2000-2014 shows the impact of the recession on employment. From an unemployment rate of 5.8% in 2004, the rate in Livingston County rose to 8.4% in 2009, before dropping back down to 5.8 % in 2014. In 2014, the county unemployment rate was slightly below the state (6.3%) and national (6.2%) rates and equal to the regional rate (5.8%).

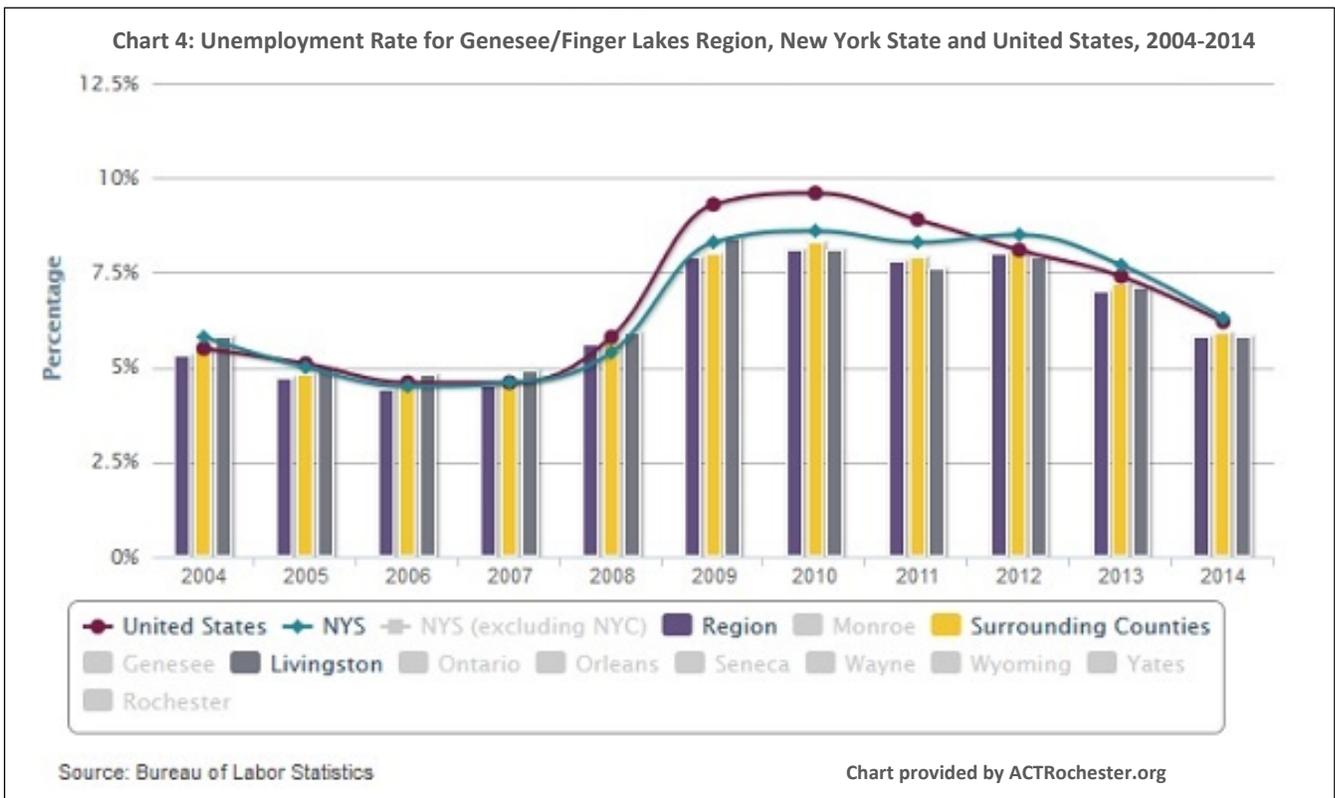


Table 25: Unemployment Rate for Genesee/Finger Lakes Region, New York State and United States, 2010-2014 provides data on unemployment over the past five years, which demonstrates an overall decrease in unemployment across the region, state and nation. Per the New York State Department of Labor, source data is not seasonally adjusted. Unemployed individuals are defined as those without jobs who are able, available and actively seeking work. Due to variations in monthly unemployment rates, the Department of Labor suggest that the annual average unemployment figures, over time, tend to be a better gauge of the labor force trends within the area.

Table 25: Unemployment Rate for Genesee/Finger Lakes Region, New York State and United States, 2010-2014 (Percent)					
	2010 (%)	2011 (%)	2012 (%)	2013 (%)	2014 (%)
Genesee	8.0	7.8	7.9	6.8	5.5
Livingston	8.1	7.6	7.9	7.10	5.8
Monroe	8.0	7.7	7.9	6.9	5.8
Ontario	7.4	7.1	7.3	6.3	5.3
Orleans	9.6	9.3	9.7	9.1	7.6
Seneca	8.2	7.9	8.0	6.9	5.7
Wayne	8.9	8.4	8.6	7.6	6.2
Wyoming	9.5	8.7	8.8	7.9	6.5
Yates	7.4	7.5	7.7	6.7	5.6
G-FL Region	8.3	8.0	8.2	7.3	5.8
New York State	8.6	8.3	8.5	7.7	6.3
United States	9.6	8.9	8.1	7.4	6.2

Source: Local Area Unemployment Statistics Program. Data provided by NYS Department of Labor.

B. Financial Self-sufficiency

According to ACT Rochester, Livingston has had lower participation in government programs to help those in need compared to the region and state. In 2014, 2.5% of residents received temporary public assistance, compared to 3.4% in the region and 2.9% in the state. Despite the lower participation, Livingston has one of the highest approval rates of public assistance applications in the region, with 42% of applications approved compared to 27% for the region. The approval rate of Livingston County is surpassed only by Orleans (63%) and Yates (43%) Counties. Livingston County has seen an 84% increase in the rate of children receiving temporary public assistance from 2010 to 2014, climbing from 482 to 820 children. (Source: NYS Office of Temporary and Disability Assistance, provided by ACTRochester.org)

The rate for Children Receiving Subsidized Child Care has steadily increased since 2010, rising from 2.4% to 2.9%; the number of children receiving the care increased from 236 in 2010 to 261 in 2014. Data does not reflect the number of children eligible for subsidized childcare, only those receiving it. (Source: NYS Office of Children and Family Services, US Census Bureau, provided by ACTRochester.org)

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VI. SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

Table 26: Health Insurance Coverage Status for Genesee/Finger Lakes Region, New York State and United States, 2010-2014

	Number Uninsured	Percent Uninsured (%)
Genesee	5,236	8.9
Livingston	3,784	6.1
Monroe	49,759	6.7
Ontario	8,504	7.9
Orleans	3,831	9.6
Seneca	3,617	11.1
Wayne	8,260	9.0
Wyoming	2,979	7.9
Yates	4,868	19.6
Genesee/Finger Lakes Region	10,093	8.7
New York State	2,052,554	10.6
United States	43,878,131	14.2

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2014 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates.

Table 27: Disability Characteristics for Genesee/Finger Lakes Region, New York State and United States, 2010-2014

	Number with a Disability	Percent with a Disability (%)
Genesee	7,678	13.0
Livingston	7,352	11.8
Monroe	90,598	12.2
Ontario	12,740	11.8
Orleans	6,353	16.0
Seneca	4,909	15.1
Wayne	12,585	13.7
Wyoming	4,664	12.3
Yates	3,103	12.5
Genesee/Finger Lakes Region	16,665	13.2
New York State	2,120,273	11.0
United States	37,874,571	12.3

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2014 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates.

Table 28: Enrollment Counts for Students with Disabilities Per School District, Livingston County, 2014-2015 School Year

	Number of Students	Percent of Students (%)
Avon	65	6
Caledonia-Mumford	111	14
Dalton-Nunda (Keshequa)	77	11
Dansville	230	16
Geneseo	112	13
Honeoye-Falls/Lima	260	11
Livonia	150	9
Mount Morris	87	17
Wayland-Cohocton	154	12
York	119	16

Source: NYS Education Department.

Table 29: Comparison of Free/Reduced Lunch Eligibles to Enrollment in Livingston County, 2014-2015 School Year

	Percent of Students (%)
Avon	27.6
Caledonia-Mumford	31.4
Dalton-Nunda (Keshequa)	47.6
Dansville	51.3
Geneseo	32.3
Honeoye-Falls/Lima	14.5
Livonia	32.6
Mount Morris	65.3
Wayland-Cohocton	58.5
York	41.9

Source: NYS Education Department. Figures include Free and Reduced lunch eligibles combined.

Table 30: Total Households with Supplemental Income in the Past 12 Months for Genesee/Finger Lakes Region, New York State and United States, 2014

	Supplemental Security Income (%)	Cash Public Assistance (%)	Food Stamps/SNAP (%)
Genesee	4.9	2.5	10.3
Livingston	4.6	3.0	12.4
Monroe	5.9	4.6	14.2
Ontario	4.8	2.5	9.7
Orleans	7.9	4.5	17.1
Seneca	6.1	3.0	11.0
Wayne	5.2	2.9	11.5
Wyoming	5.8	2.6	9.8
Yates	4.5	2.4	13.4
Genesee/Finger Lakes Region	5.5	3.1	12.2
New York State	6.3	3.4	15.1
United States	5.3	2.8	13.0

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2014 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates. Figures for Total Households with supplemental security income, cash public assistance, or food stamps/SNAP.

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