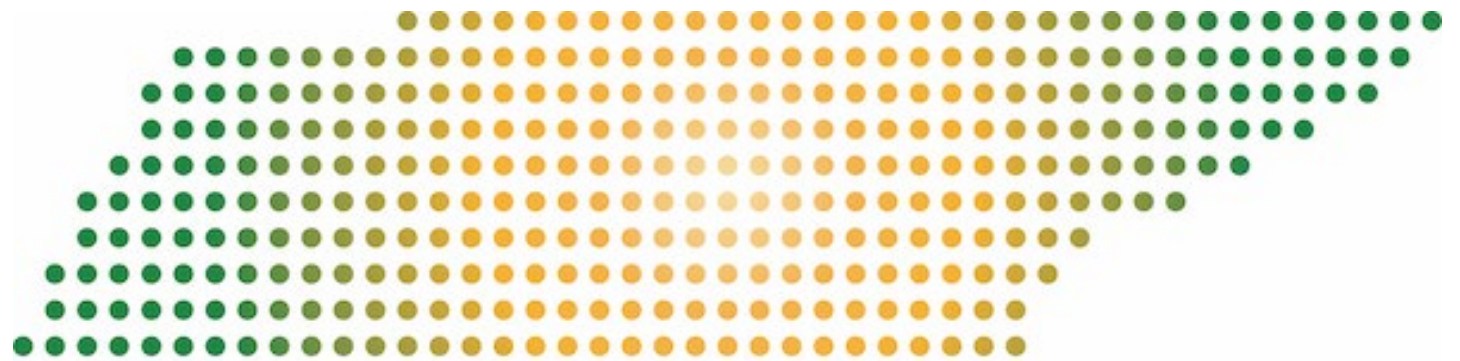


State of Our Counties Dashboard

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Today's Discussion

- About Think *Tennessee*
- The State of Our Counties Dashboard
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RESEARCH

Identify pragmatic policy solutions rooted in data



ENGAGE

Partner with leaders from across the state and both sides of the aisle



ADVOCATE

Use actionable information to push for change

About Us

ThinkTennessee is a nonpartisan, results-oriented think tank that uses research, engagement, and advocacy to build a state where all Tennesseans are civically engaged and economically secure.

Think *Tennessee's* 2024 Policy Priorities

Strengthening Democracy

- ✓ Improve and simplify the **voting rights restoration** process
- ✓ Eliminate restrictions on **absentee ballot application sharing**
- ✓ Protect **judicial independence**
- ✓ **Defend issues** of good governance and civic engagement
- ✓ Support **voter education** in advance of the 2024 election

Supporting Working Families

- ✓ Access to high-quality, safe, and **affordable housing**
- ✓ A sustainable, affordable multimodal **transportation** future
- ✓ Ensuring jobs have **fair wages**
- ✓ Improved access to good jobs through **workforce development** programs and policies
- ✓ Affordable, high-quality **childcare**
- ✓ A more just and **effective criminal legal system**

Our Research



- ✓ State of Our State Dashboard
- ✓ State of Our State: Transportation and Mobility Report
- ✓ 2022 Election After-Action Report
- ✓ Debt Policy Brief
- ✓ Voting Rights Restoration Policy Brief

Coming Soon

- ✓ State of Working Tennessee
- ✓ Voter Education Series

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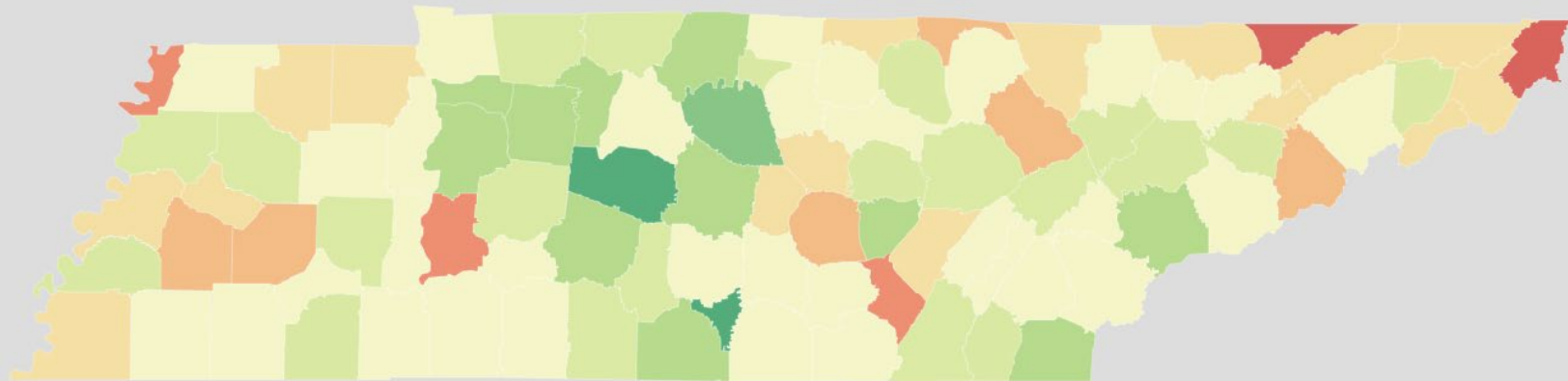
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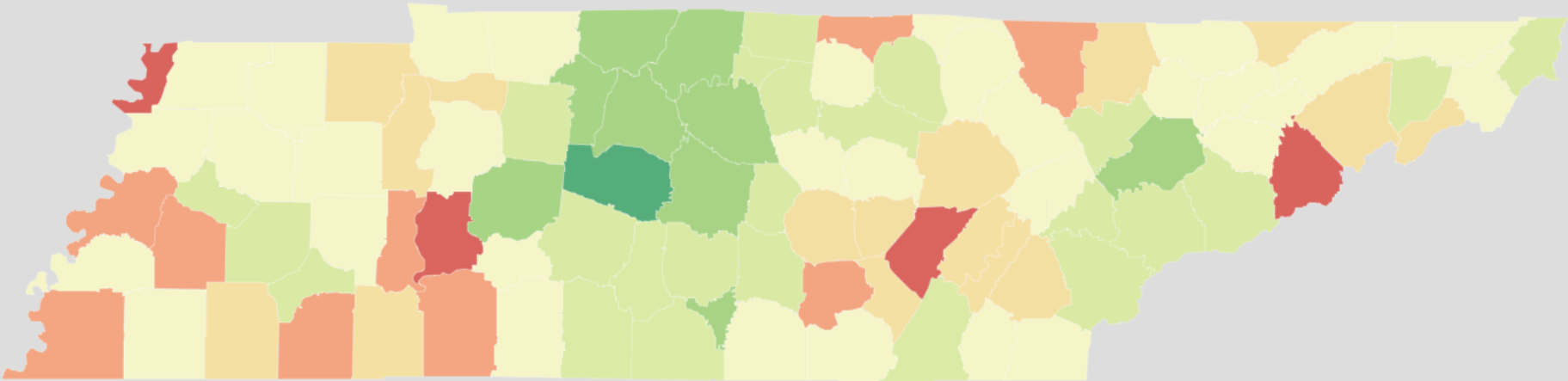
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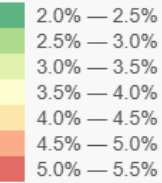
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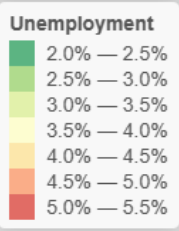
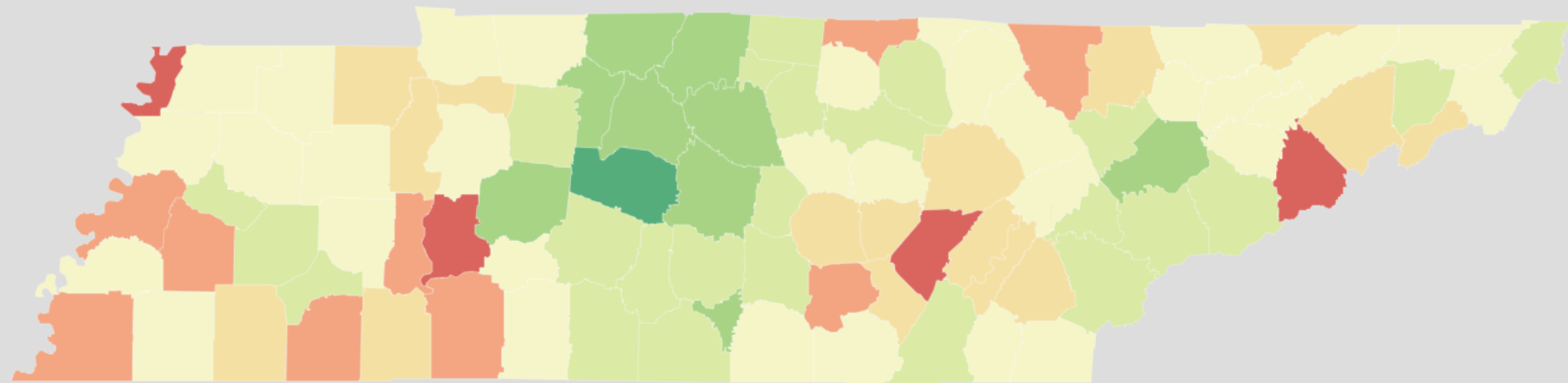
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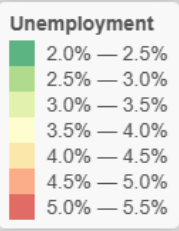
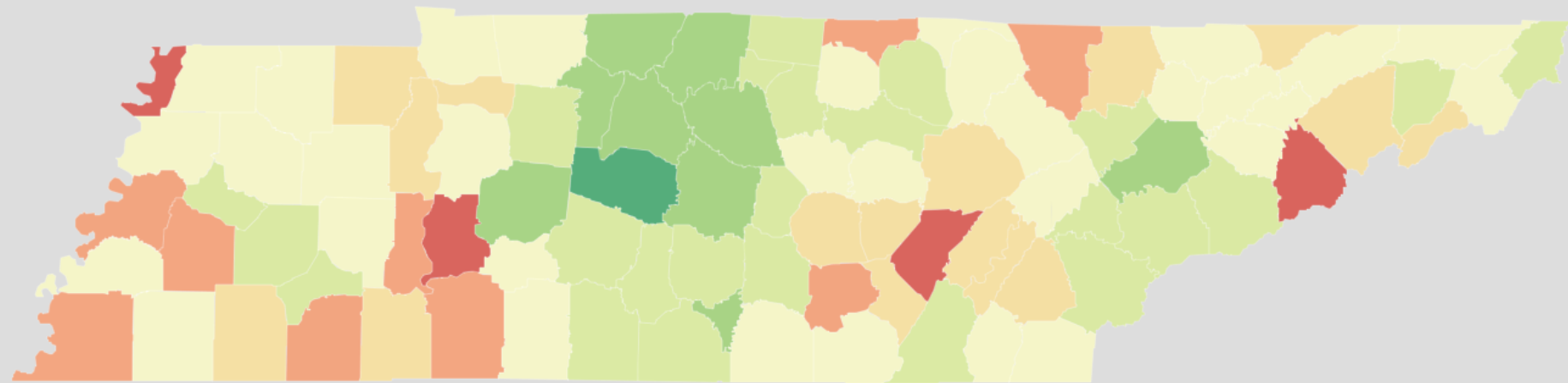
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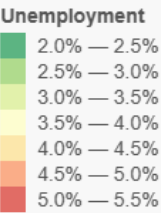
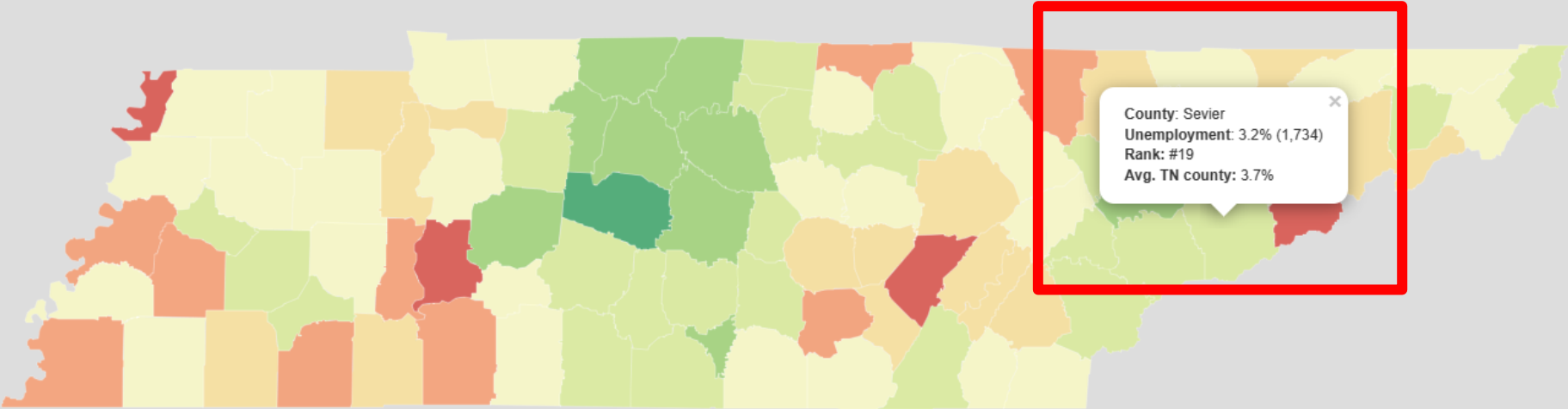
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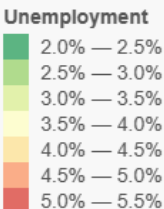
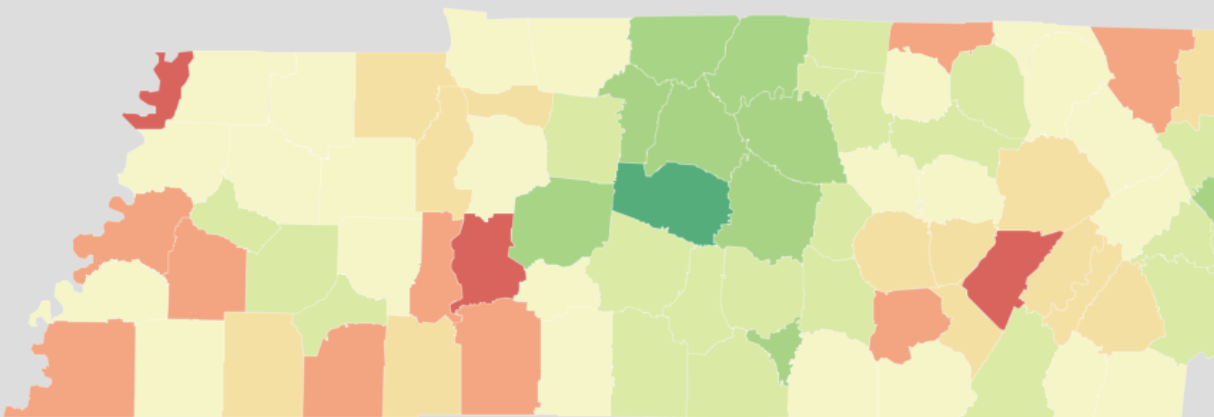
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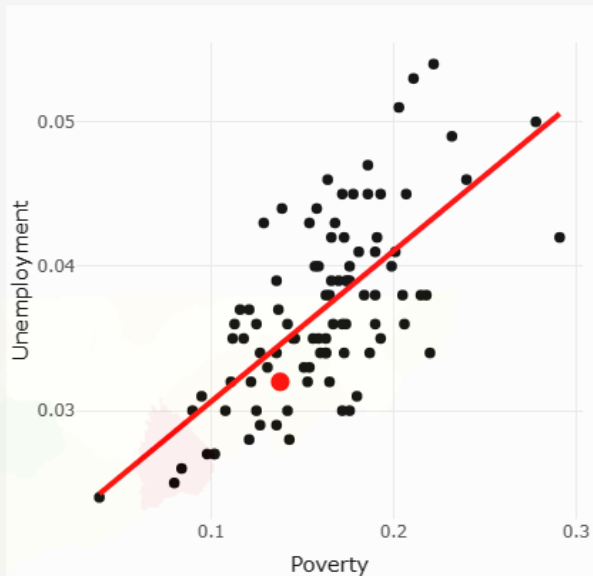
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☒ Enable Comparison Tool



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Poverty: The percentage of people who had incomes below the federal poverty line.

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☒ Toggle Chart Trend Line

☐ Set X and Y axis to begin at zero

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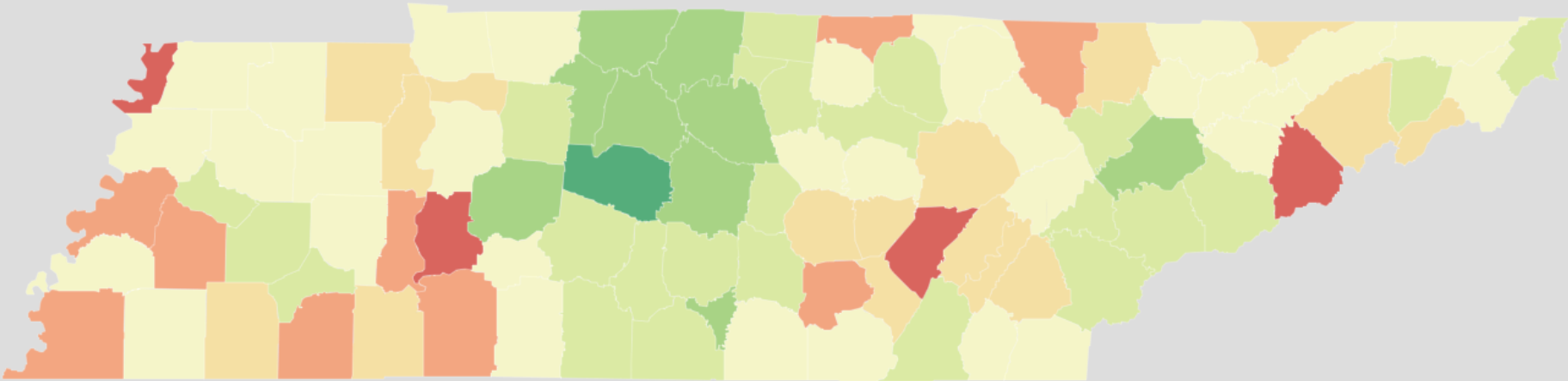
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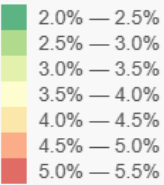
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Ways to Review

Metric Summaries



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Metric Summary: Unemployment

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Category:	Economy
Description:	The percentage of the labor force who are unemployed.
Years:	2022
Source:	U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics

Unemployment - All Counties

County	County Rank	County Value	Value in Average TN County	Difference from Average
Anderson	#24	3.3%	3.7%	-0.4%
Bedford	#27	3.4%	3.7%	-0.3%
Benton	#71	4.1%	3.7%	+0.4%
Bledsoe	#94	5.3%	3.7%	+1.6%
Blount	#17	3.1%	3.7%	-0.6%
Bradley	#43	3.6%	3.7%	-0.1%
Campbell	#71	4.1%	3.7%	+0.4%
Cannon	#11	3.0%	3.7%	-0.7%
Carroll	#61	3.9%	3.7%	+0.2%
Carter	#43	3.6%	3.7%	-0.1%
Cheatham	#4	2.7%	3.7%	-1.0%
Chester	#11	3.0%	3.7%	-0.7%
Claiborne	#54	3.8%	3.7%	+0.1%
Clay	#88	4.6%	3.7%	+0.9%
Cocke	#93	5.1%	3.7%	+1.4%
Coffee	#27	3.4%	3.7%	-0.3%
Crockett	#19	3.2%	3.7%	-0.5%
Cumberland	#78	4.3%	3.7%	+0.6%
Davidson	#7	2.8%	3.7%	-0.9%
Decatur	#83	4.5%	3.7%	+0.8%

All Metrics for a County



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All Metrics: Davidson County

Davidson County - All Metrics



This report summarizes all 104 metrics for Davidson County. All data was compiled by Think Tennessee from the sources listed.

Metric	Value in Davidson County	County Rank	Value in Average TN County	Difference from Average	Description	Source
Economy						
Seniors Living in Poverty	10.3%	#44	11.0%	-0.7%	The percentage of adults aged 65 and older below the federal poverty line.	US Census Bureau, ACS 5-Yr Estimates
Women Living in Poverty	16.0%	#33	17.7%	-1.7%	The percentage of women below the federal poverty line.	US Census Bureau, ACS 5-Yr Estimates
Poverty	14.3%	#32	16.1%	-1.8%	The percentage of people who had incomes below the federal poverty line.	US Census Bureau, ACS 5-Yr Estimates
Unemployment	2.8%	#7	3.7%	-0.9%	The percentage of the labor force who are unemployed.	U.S. Department of Labor, Bureau of Labor Statistics
Employment Growth	43.5%	#9	19.6%	+23.9%	The percent change in the count of jobs between 2010 and 2022, both full-time and part-time.	US Bureau of Economic Analysis
Population Growth	0.7%	#62	1.2%	-0.5%	The percent change in population between 2021 and 2022.	U.S. Census Bureau, via Tennessee State Data Center
GDP Growth	6.9%	#16	3.6%	+3.3%	The percent change in GDP between 2021 and 2022.	U.S. Department of Commerce
Households Receiving Food Stamps	8.9%	#13	14.5%	-5.6%	The percentage of households receiving food stamps.	US Census Bureau, ACS 5-Yr Estimates
African American Households Receiving Food Stamps	19.2%	#36	22.6%	-3.4%	The percentage of African American households receiving food stamps.	US Census Bureau, ACS 5-Yr Estimates
Hispanic/Latino Households Receiving Food Stamps	11.5%	#45	15.2%	-3.7%	The percentage of Hispanic or Latino households receiving food stamps.	US Census Bureau, ACS 5-Yr Estimates
Households with Seniors Receiving Food Stamps	9.2%	#31	11.7%	-2.5%	The percentage of households with at least one resident at or over the age of 60 receiving food stamps.	US Census Bureau, ACS 5-Yr Estimates
Cost of Living	\$83,618	#93	\$69,367	+\$14,242	The annual cost of living for a family budget for a two-parent-two-child family, including housing, food, transportation, child care, health care, taxes, and other necessities.	Economic Policy Institute
Median Household Income	\$66,047	#10	\$51,734	+\$14,313	The annual median income of all persons living in a household 15 years and older.	US Census Bureau, ACS 5-Yr Estimates
Average Wages & Salaries	\$76,709	#2	\$48,422	+\$28,287	The average annual wage of employees received from employers for the provision of labor services.	US Bureau of Economic Analysis
Income Inequality	0.49	#89	0.4516	+0.04	The extent to which the distribution of income among individuals and households deviates from perfectly equal distribution (with 0 representing perfect equality).	US Census Bureau, ACS 5-Yr Estimates
Labor Force Participation Gap	8.9%	#38	8.4%	+0.5%	The difference between men and women's labor force participation rates.	US Census Bureau, ACS 5-Yr Estimates
Overall Debt	28.6%	#15	33.6%	-5.0%	The share of people with a credit bureau record who have any debt in collections.	Urban Institute

County Overview



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Davidson County Fact Sheet

Davidson County Demographics



This report provides an overview of Davidson County's demographic, economic, and social makeup, in order to identify key themes of the interactive map. For the full data and relevant sources, please visit the State of Our Counties dashboard online at thinktennessee.org.

The county seat of Davidson is Nashville, Tennessee.



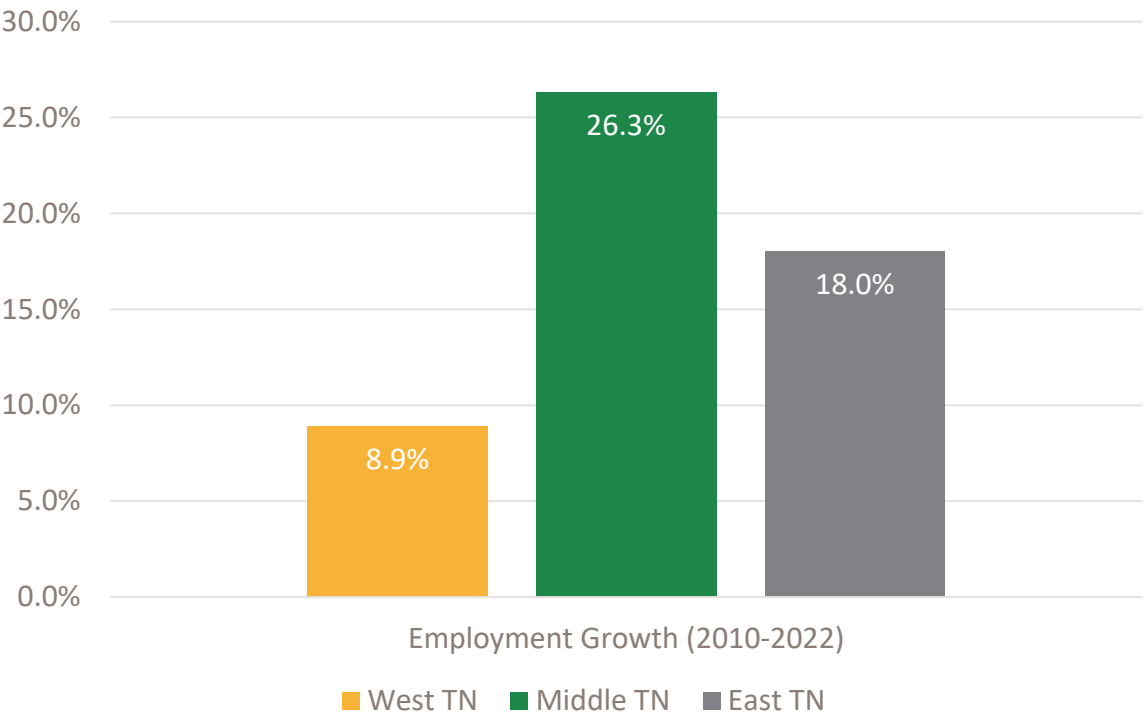


Key Findings

From over 9,500 data points across nine categories, including children, criminal justice, economy, education, elections & civic life, health, housing, infrastructure & mobility, and environment & energy.

Annual county growth numbers are strong, but long-term growth varies by region and county

Long term employment growth is strong but not evenly distributed throughout the state



Between 2021 and 2022, the average county experienced:



Employment Growth

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Employment Growth: The percent change in the count of jobs between 2010 and 2022, both full-time and part-time.

Source: US Bureau of Economic Analysis (2010 , 2022)



Employment Growth



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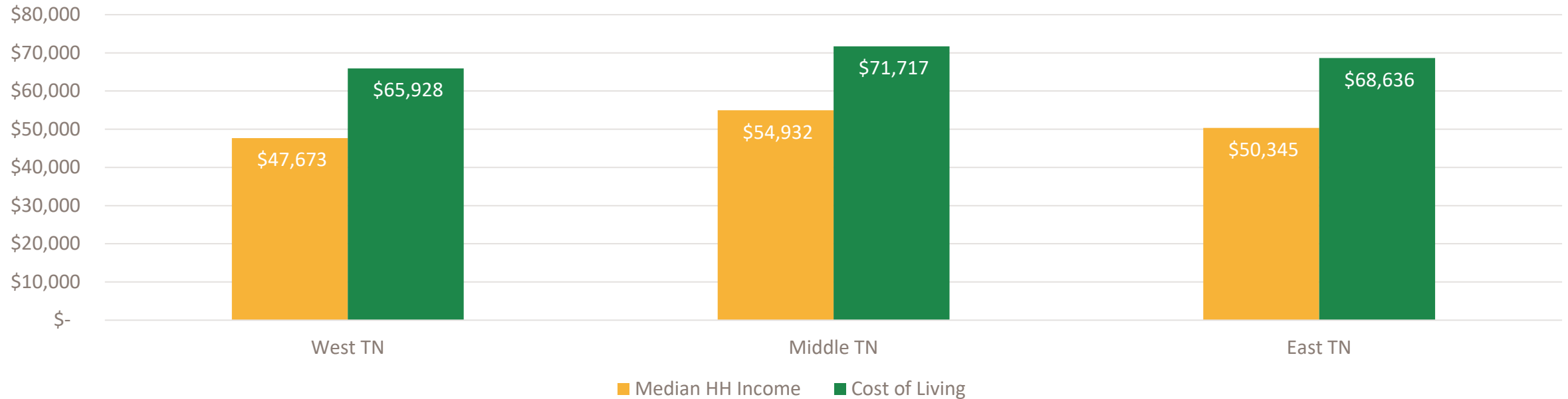
Incomes are far below the cost of living in almost every county

51^k

Median HH Income
\$51,734

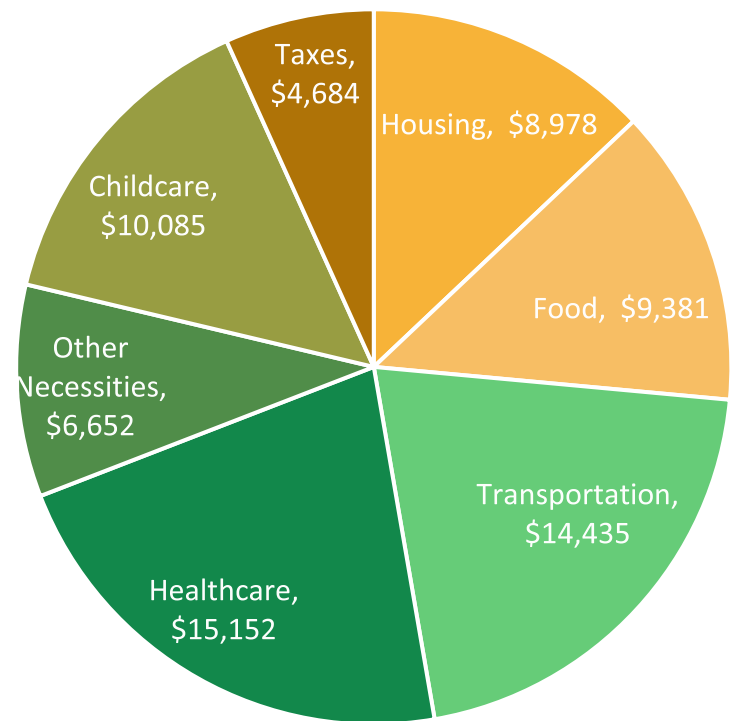
69^k

Cost of Living
\$69,367



There are many expenses driving the increase in cost of living for households.

Annual Cost of Living Expenses for the Average County



24%

Housing Cost Burden

Residents spending 30% or more of income on housing

24%

Child Care Cost Burden

Percent of household income needed for two-child childcare

Economic outcomes vary significantly by county, but many counties struggle.

16%

Overall Poverty

People with incomes below poverty line.

34%

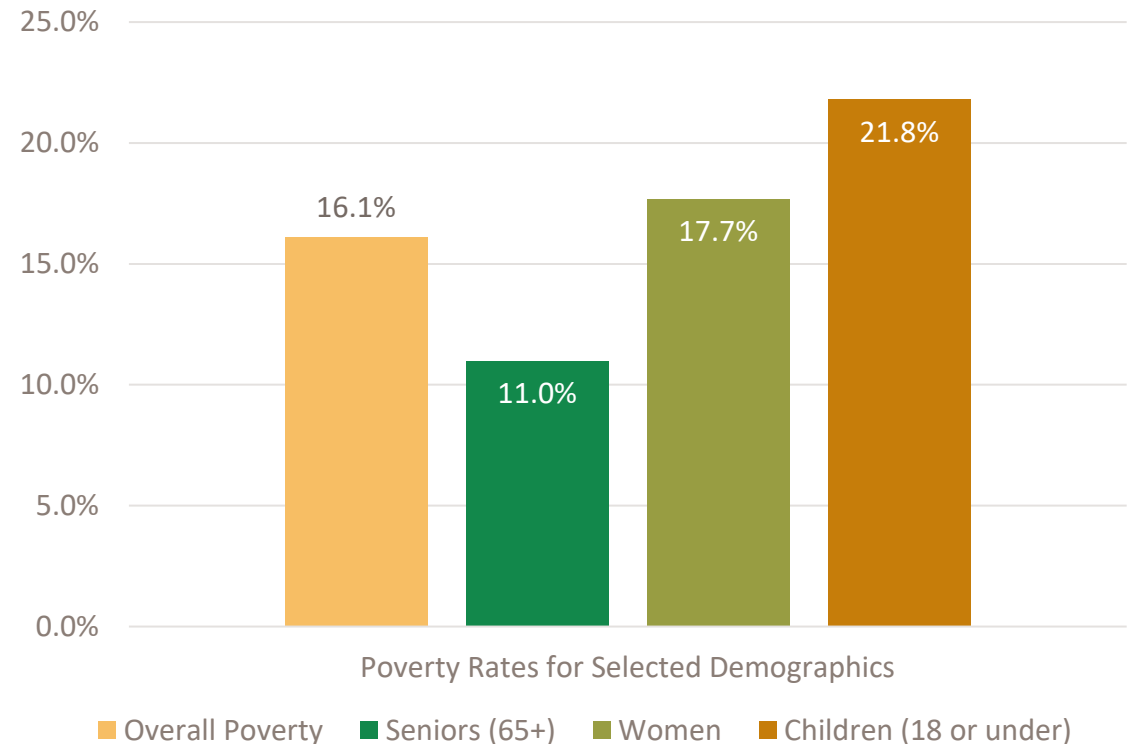
Debt in Collections

People who have any debt in collections.

15%

Food Stamps

Households receiving food stamps

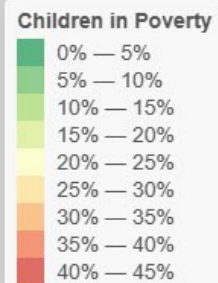
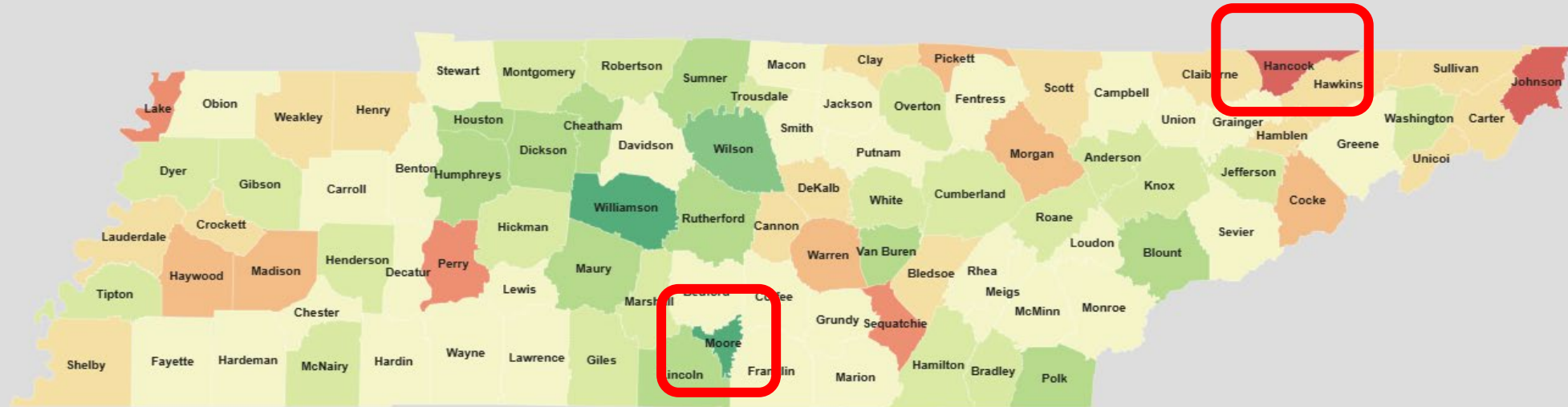


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Outcomes for children are less than ideal.

22%

Children in Poverty

Percent of people under 18 in poverty

43%

Youth Obesity

Percent of youth who are overweight or obese

25%

Children in Single Parent HH

Percent of people under 18 headed by single parent

14%

Children in Food-Insecure HH

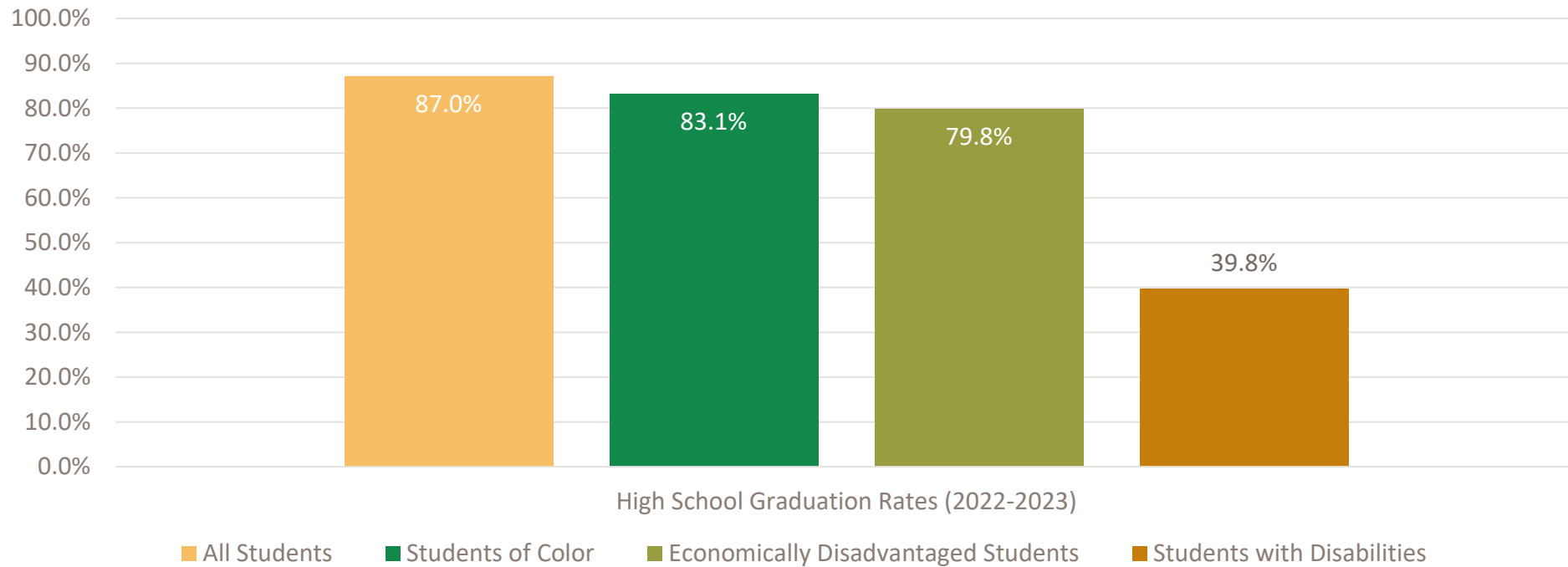
Percent of youth in HH with uncertainty of enough food

87%

HS Graduation Rate

Percent of students who graduated within 4 years

High school graduation rates vary depending on student demographics



County residents are registered but aren't voting consistently.

85%

Voter Registration

Percent of eligible voters who are registered.

54%

Election Day Turnout

Percent of voters who voted on Election Day.

69%

2020 Voter Turnout

Percent of registered voters who voted.

44%

Early Voting

Percent of voters who chose to vote early.

39%

2022 Voter Turnout

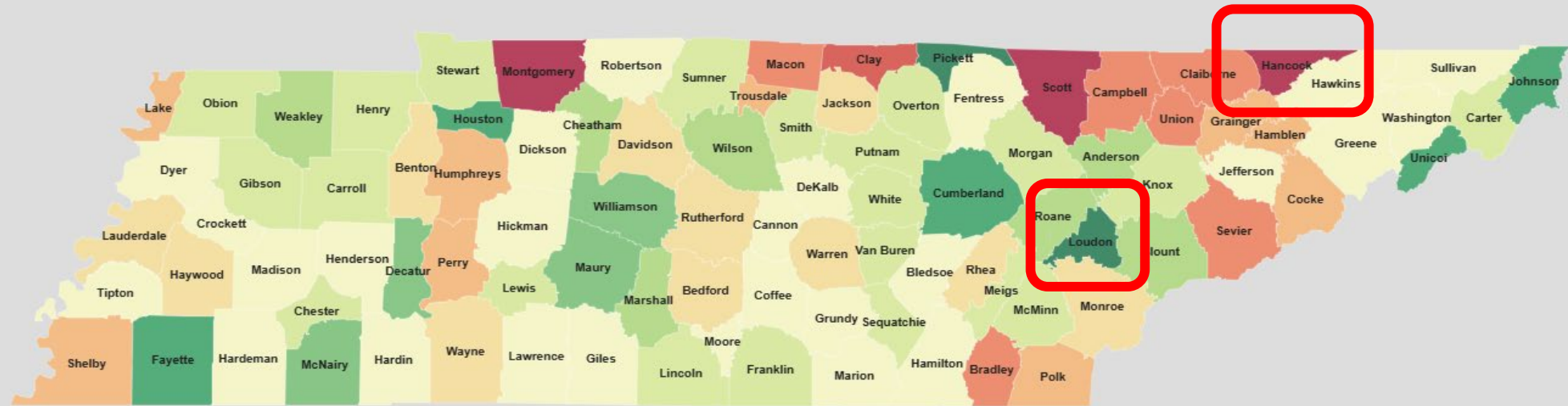
Percent of registered voters who voted.

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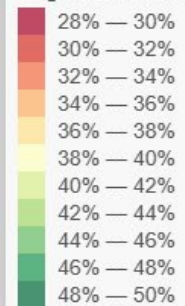
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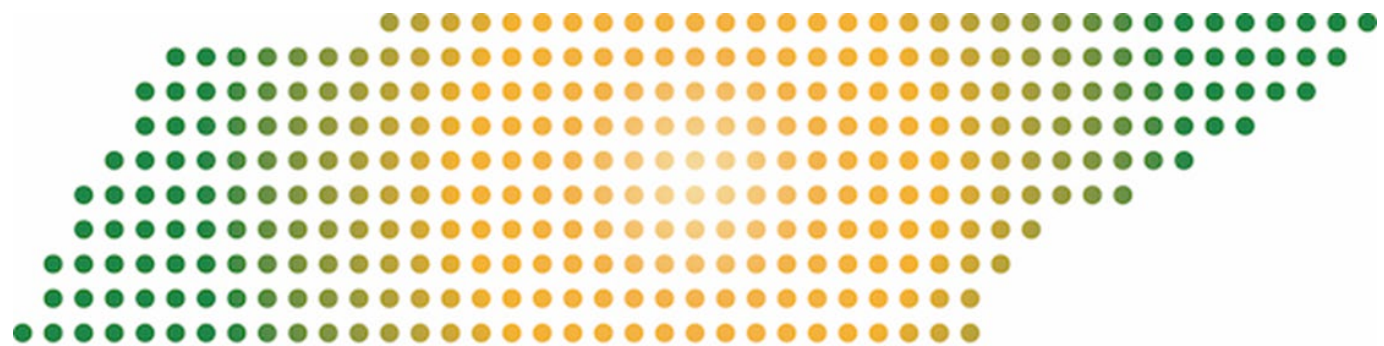
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