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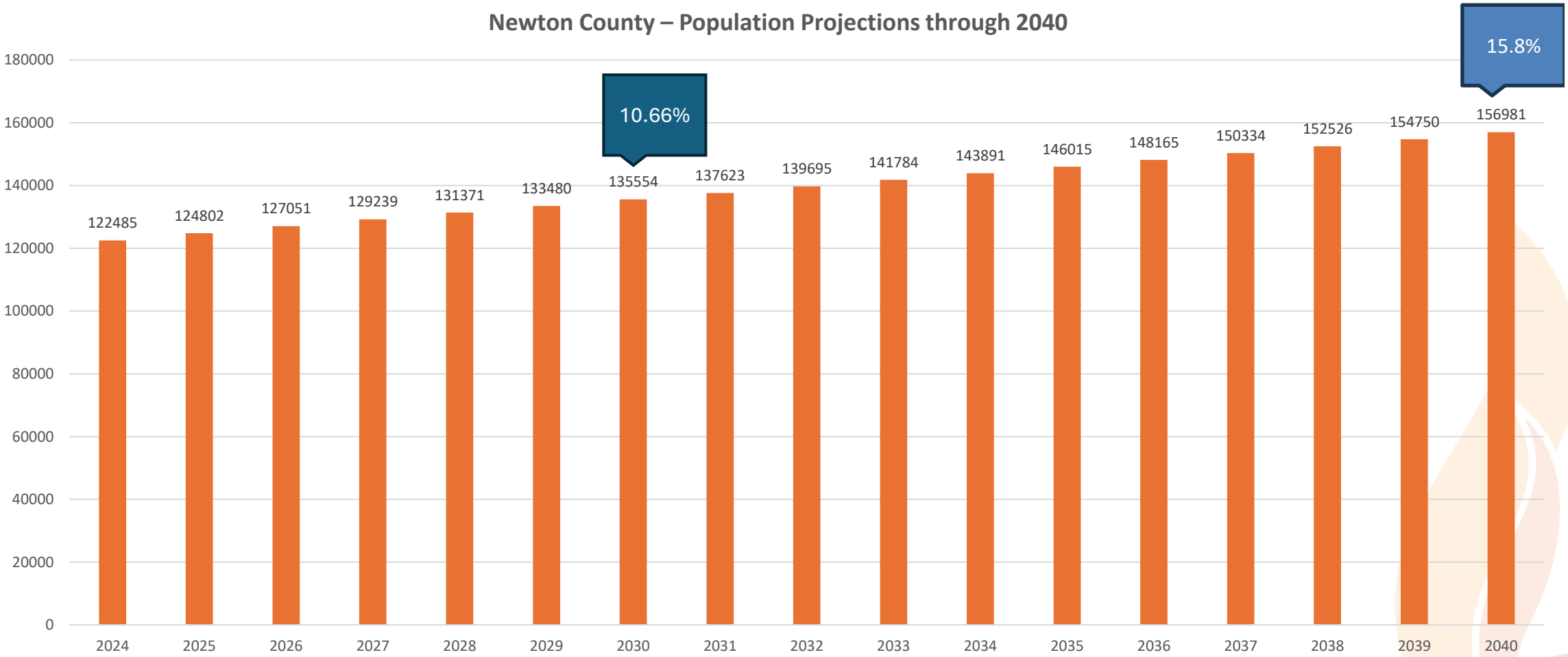
- **Population Trends**
  - Newton County population history and projections
  - Building permits
  - Population trends (Birth rates & aging population)
- **Enrollment Trends**
  - National student enrollment history and projections
  - District school enrollment history and projections
- **School Capacities**
  - District school capacities
  - District school capacities and enrollment projections

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Population by Decade

Year	Newton County		Georgia	
Year	Total	Change	Total	Change
1970	26,282	-	4,589,575	-
1980	34,489	31.2%	5,463,105	19.03%
1990	41,808	21.2%	6,478,149	18.6%
2000	62,001	48.3%	8,186,453	26.4%
2010	99,958	61.2%	9,687,653	18.3%
2020	112,483	12.5%	10,711,908	10.6%
Change (1970-2020)	86,201	328%	6,122,333	133.4%

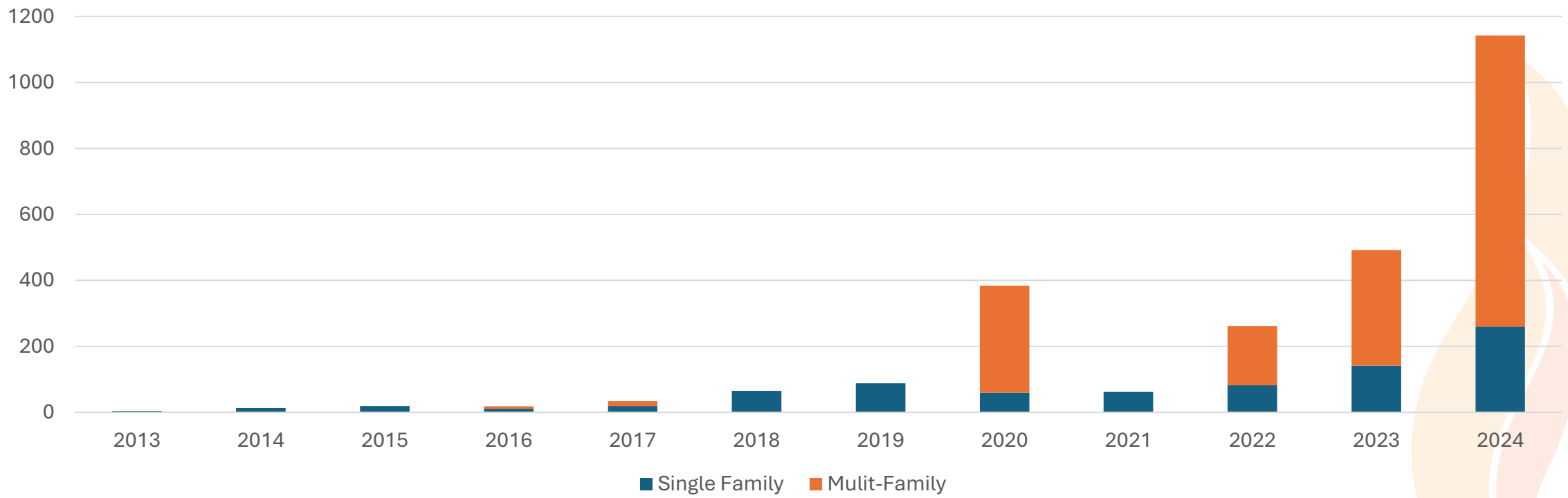
Newton County – Population Projections through 2040



Georgia Governor's Office of Planning and Budget

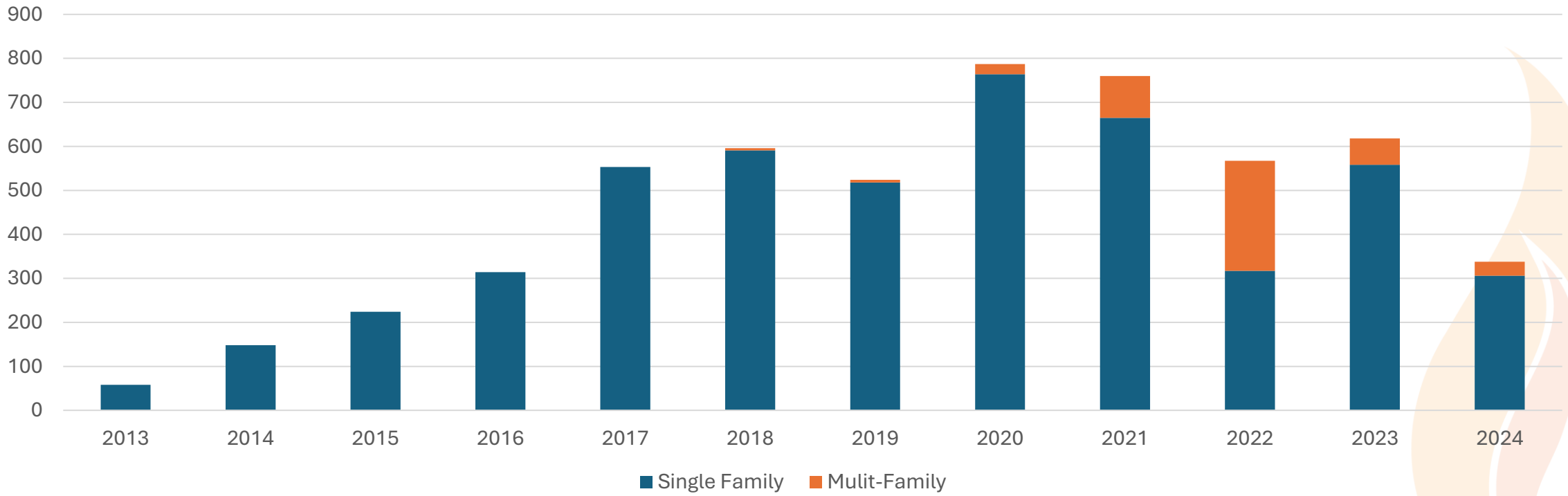
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Building Permits – City of Covington



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Building Permits – Newton County

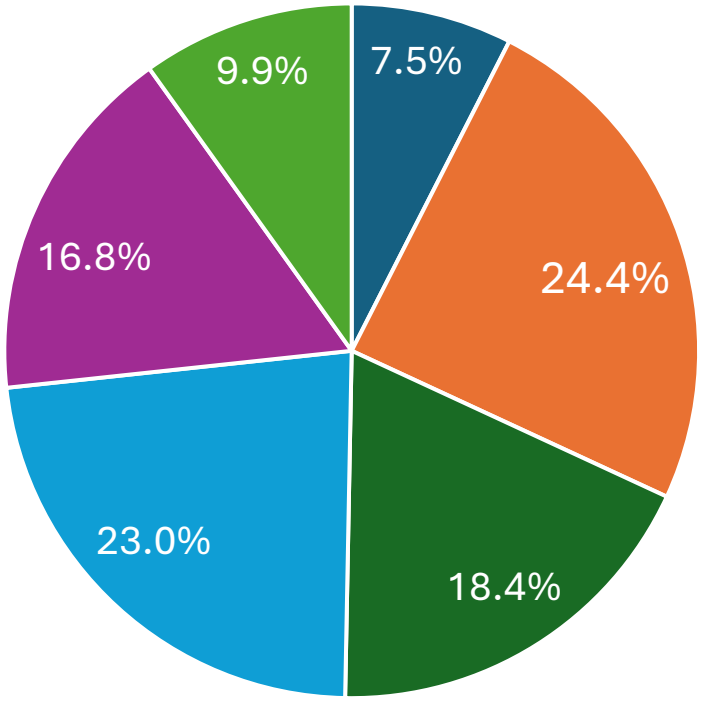


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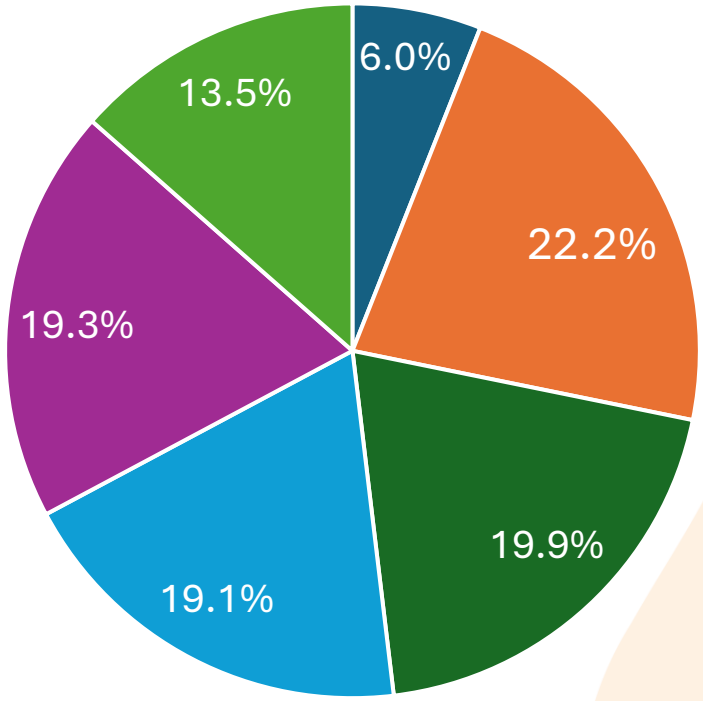
The share of the population that is 0 to 4 years old **decreased** from 7.5% in 2010 to 6% in 2022.

The share of the population that is 65 and older **increased** from 9.9% in 2010 to 13.5% in 2022

2010

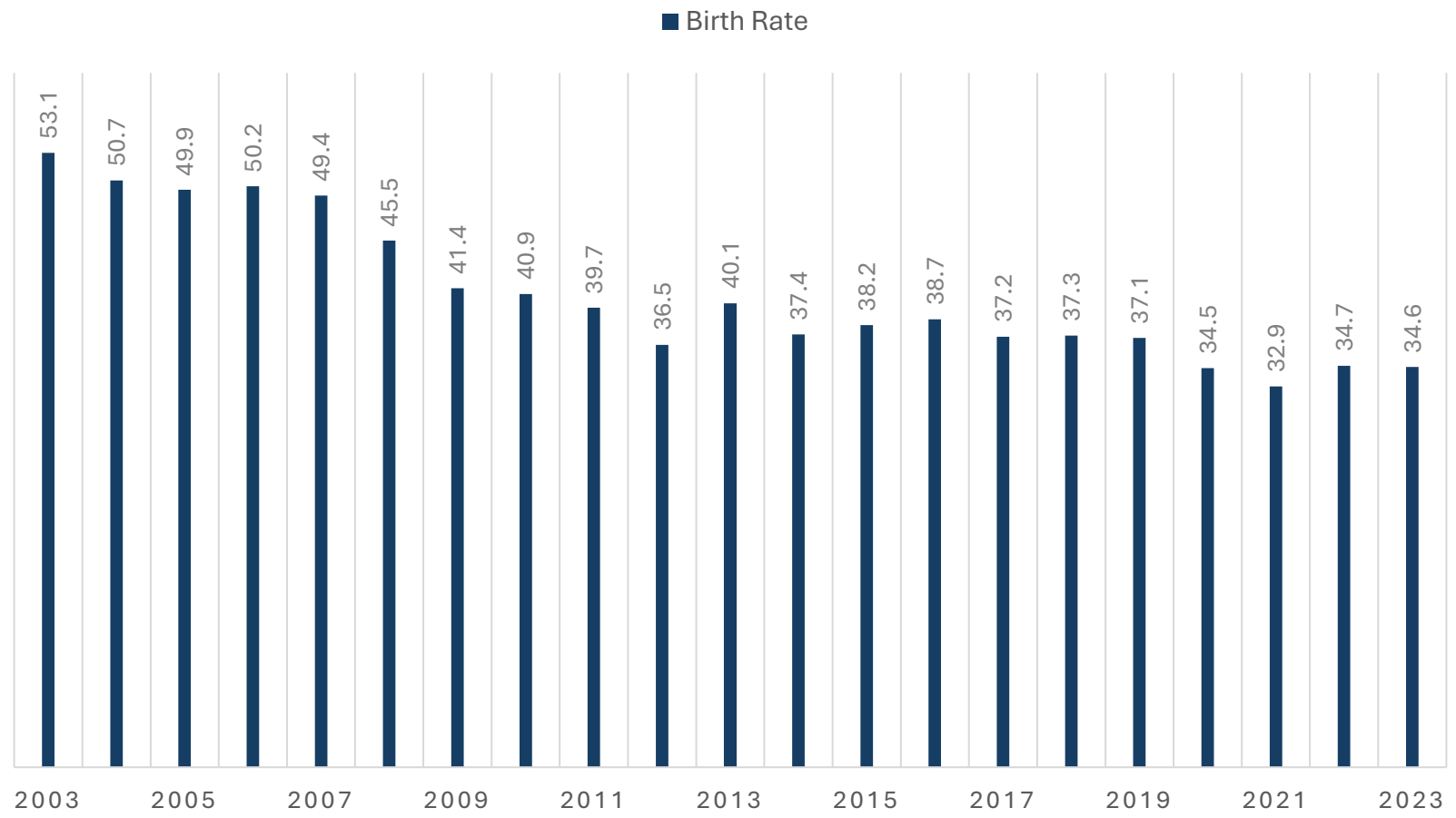


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U.S. Births Last Year Fell to Lowest Since 1979

BY **JESSICA NIX / BLOOMBERG**

APRIL 25, 2024 3:00 AM EDT

U.S. births declined in 2023 to their lowest level in more than 40 years, continuing a two-decade trend of Americans having fewer children.

Total births for the year fell 2% to 3.59 million, according to preliminary data released Thursday from the U.S. National Center for Health Statistics, a level not seen since 1979, when about 3.4 million U.S. babies were born. The rate of U.S. women of child-bearing age having babies is the lowest since the center began compiling statistics, said Brady Hamilton, an NCHS demographer and lead author of the report.

https://time.com/6970873/us-declining-birth-rate-2023-total/

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America's Population Time Bomb

BY **ALISS HIGHAM, US NEWS REPORTER**

MAY 14, 2024 7:21 AM EDT

Experts have warned of a "silver tsunami" as America's population undergoes a huge demographic shift in the near future.

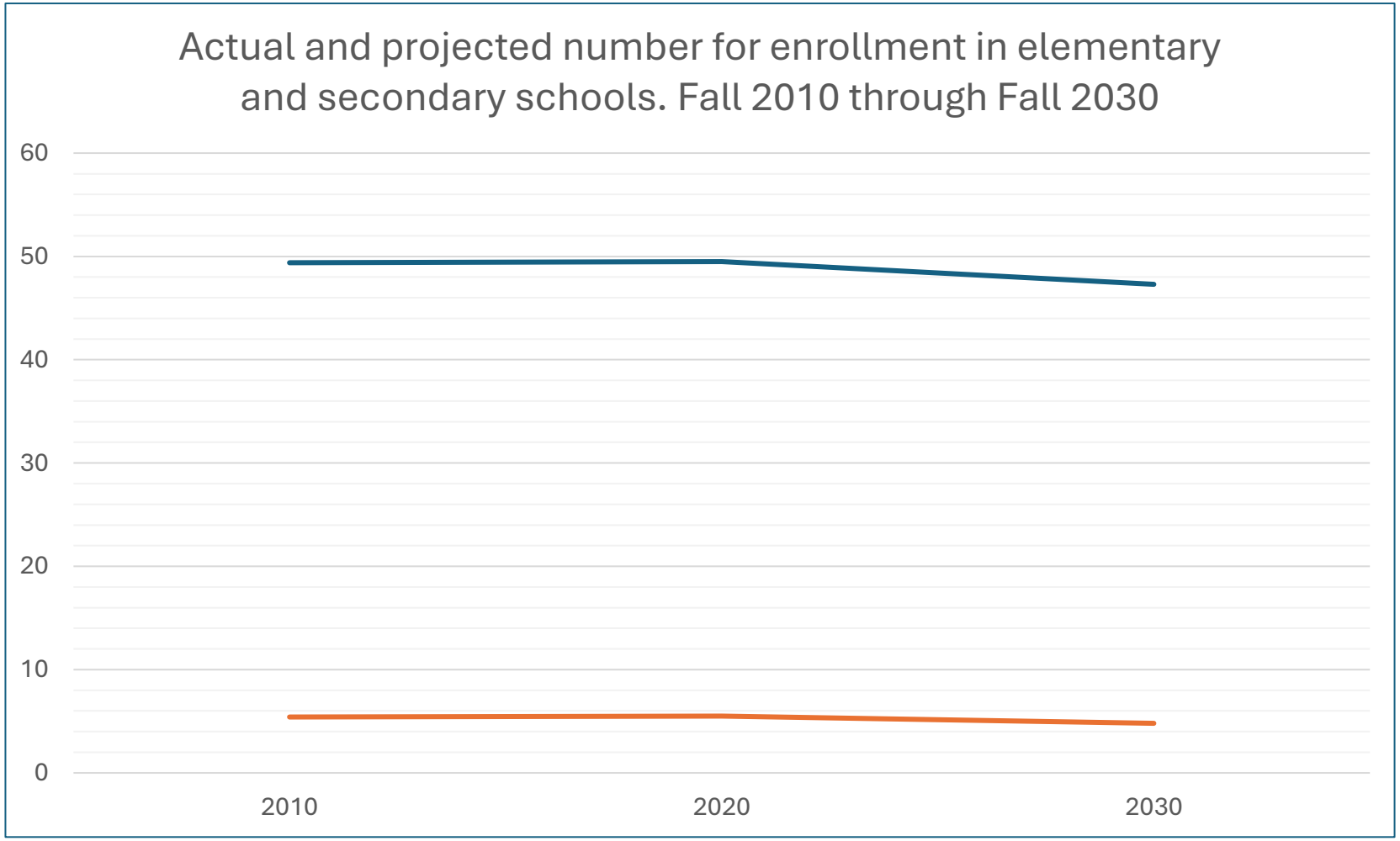
The population of the U.S. is ageing. Recent findings from the U.S. Census Bureau indicate that by 2035 older adults will outnumber children—a first in U.S. history. The upcoming changes could lead to a number of problems, with increased demands on health care services, the overall workforce and economy, experts have told Newsweek. It's not all gloom and doom though, as opportunities may also arise.

The U.S. population is already older than it's ever been, according to the Population Reference Bureau (PRB). What's more, the number of Americans aged 65 and older is projected to increase from 58 million in 2022 to 82 million by 2050—an increase of 47 percent—and the 65-and-older age group's share of the total population is projected to rise from 17 percent to 23 percent, according to the PRB.

https://www.newsweek.com/americas-population-time-bomb-1898798

Enrollment in public elementary and secondary schools:

- was lower in 2020 than in 2010 by less than half of 1 percent (49.4 million vs. 49.5 million); and
- is projected to decrease by 4 percent by 2030 to 47.3 million.



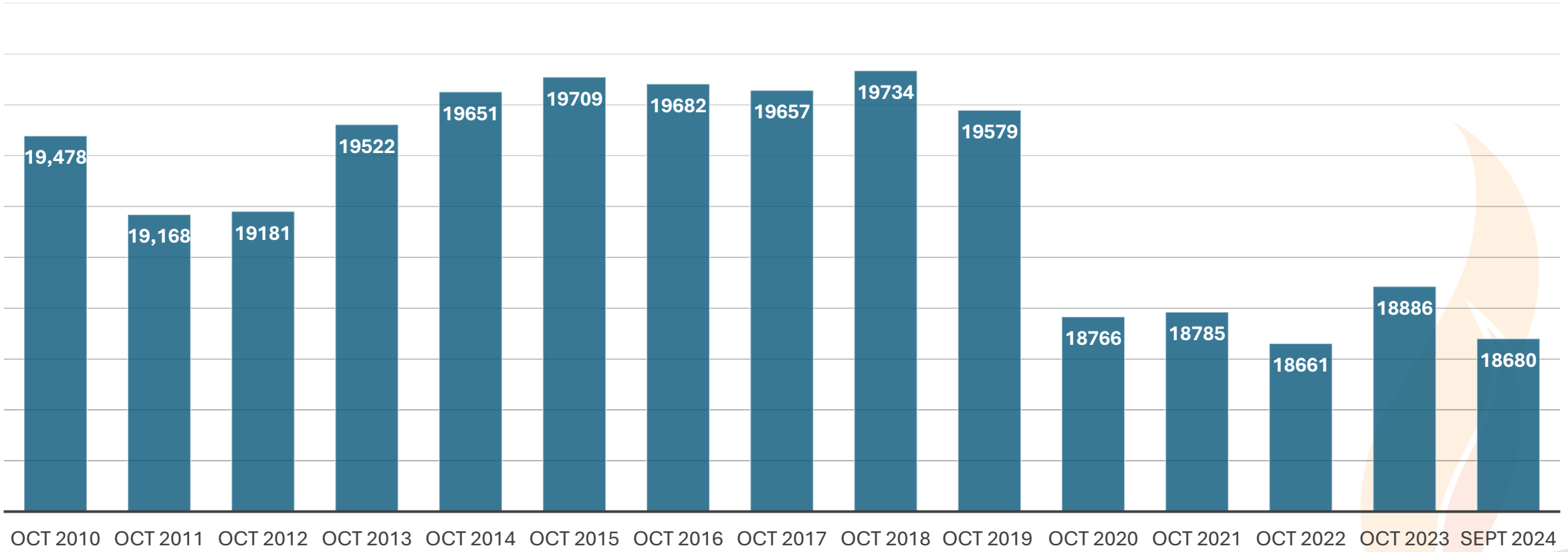
Enrollment in private elementary and secondary schools:

- increased 2 percent between 2010 and 2019 (5.4 million vs. 5.5 million); and
- is projected to decrease by 12 percent by 2030 to 4.8 million.

National Center for Education Statistics at IES

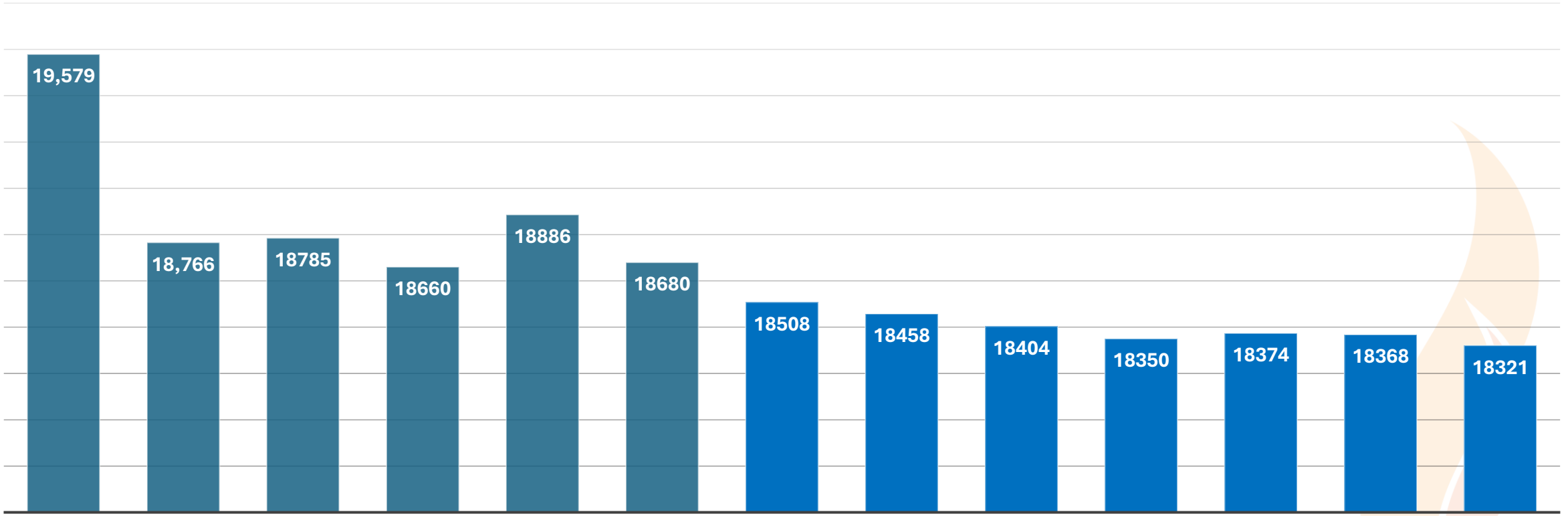
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Newton County Schools – Enrollment History



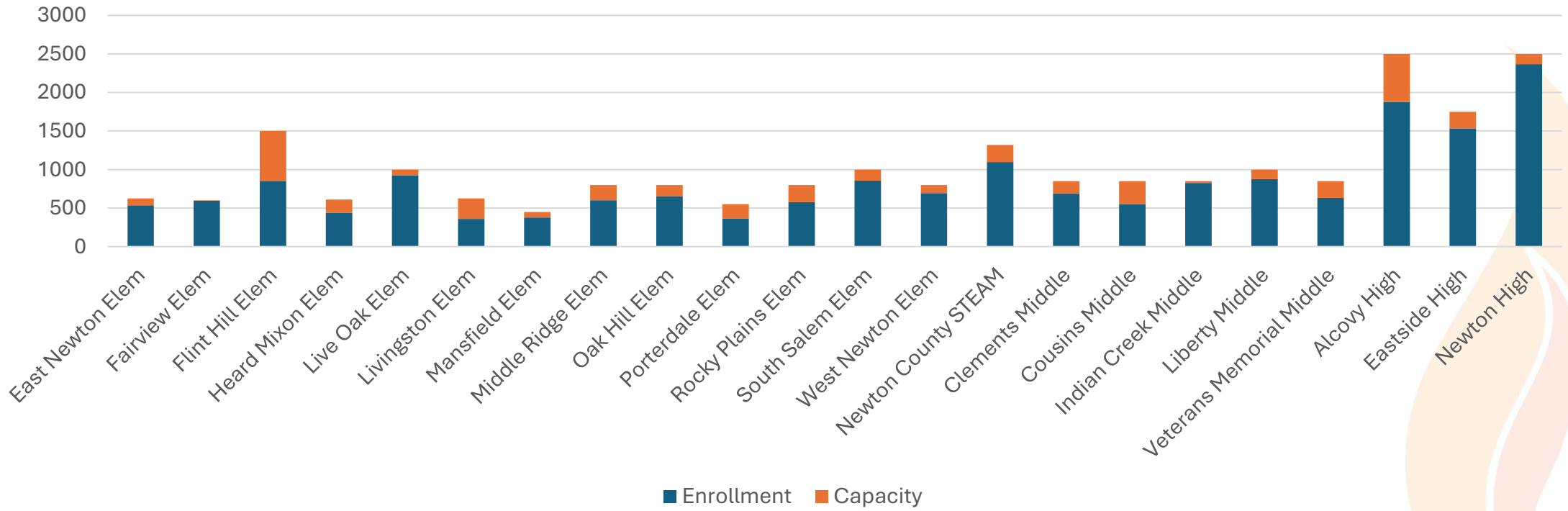
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Newton County Schools – Enrollment Projections



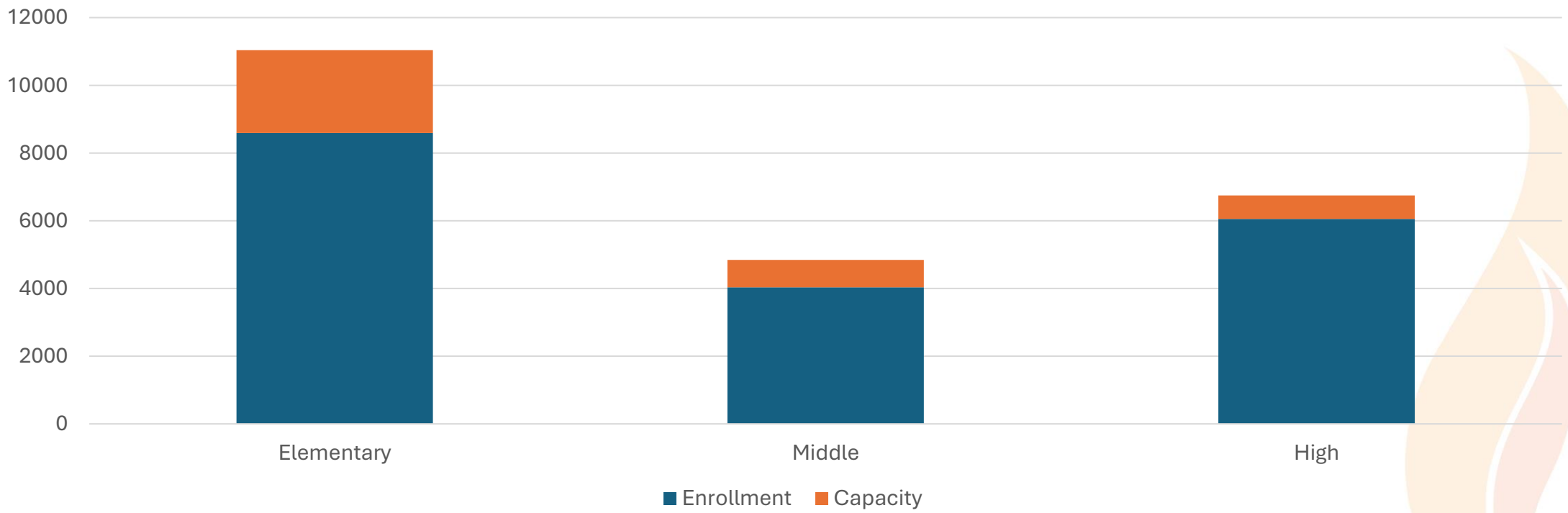
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Enrollment & Capacity by School



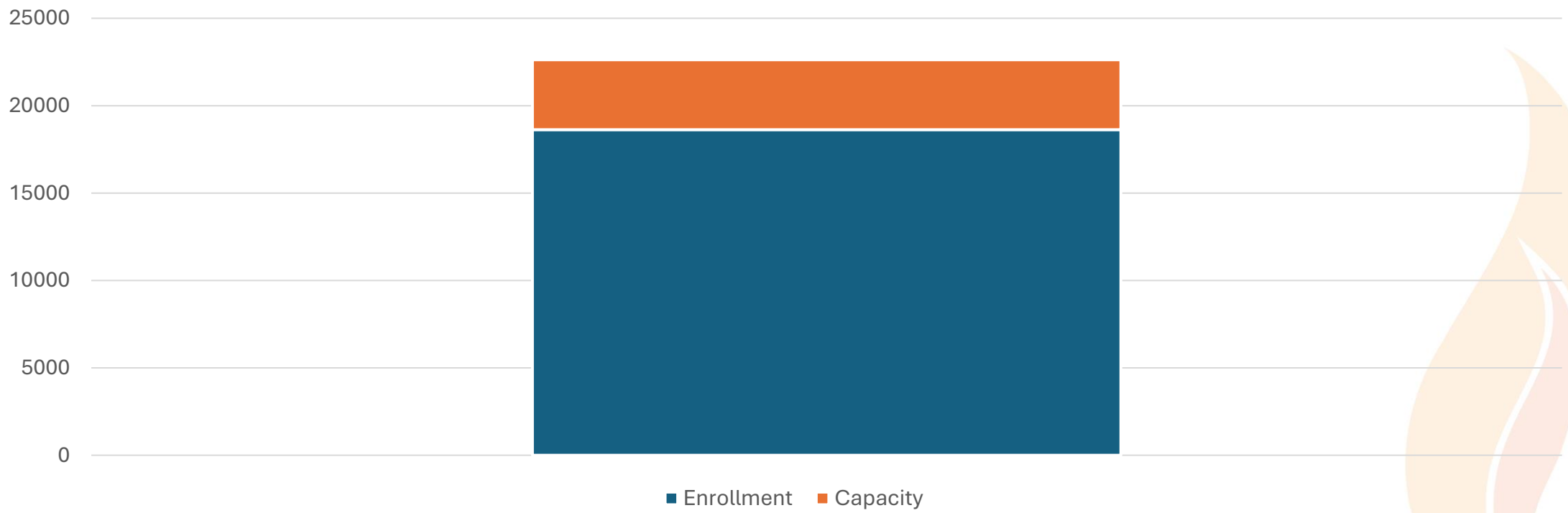
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Enrollment & Capacity by Grade Band



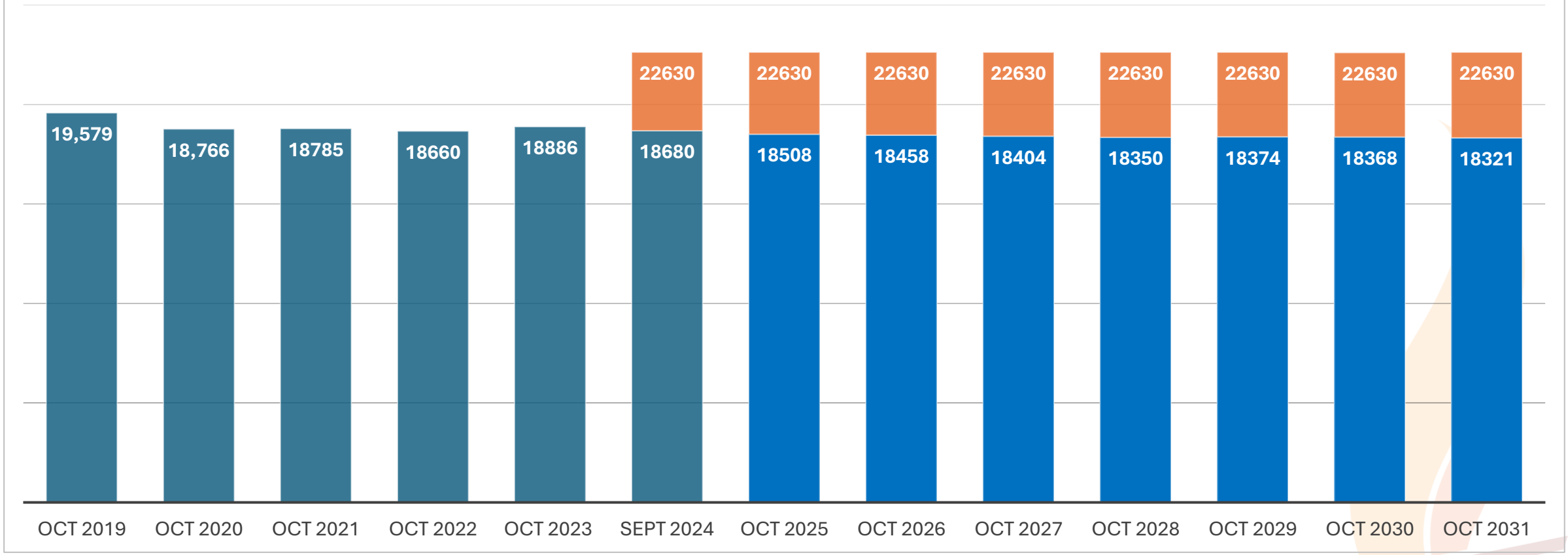
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District Enrollment & Capacity



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Newton County Schools – Enrollment Projections & Capacity



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