# Growth and Change in the Region's Communities

Lessons from the 2020 Census



### What is the Census?

- census: an official cataloguing of the population, with details on age, sex, etc.
- Censuses in the U.S.
  - Data collection once every 10 years
  - Mailed and online questionnaire options
  - Census-takers enumerate remaining places, and follow-up with nonrespondents
- Questions asked
  - Age, sex, race, ethnicity, rent or own home, family (or nonfamily) relationship among people living together





## Count Everyone! (to the extent possible)

- Outstanding self-response in Minnesota and metro counties
  - Minnesota self-response: 74% of addresses, highest in nation
  - Self-responses are higher quality than the alternatives: neighbor/proxy response, administrative data-mining, imputation
- Minnesota population was more than expected
  - Pre-2020 projections were in the range 5,663,000 (lowest projection: Urban Institute) to 5,690,000 (highest projection: Met Council)
  - Ultimate 2020 Census result: 5,706,494
  - Minnesota awarded the nation's 435<sup>th</sup> Congressional District: 713,312 residents per CD



## What is available in the Census?

#### **Now**

- Total housing units
- Total households
- Total population + Adult population
- Race and Hispanic/Latino origin

#### **Later (2022 Q3?)**

- Detailed age/sex
- Rent or own home
- Relationships among people living together

## Other surveys: Not Decennial Census

- Income
- Disability
- Housing costs
- Employment
- Commuting
- These are featured in American Community Survey

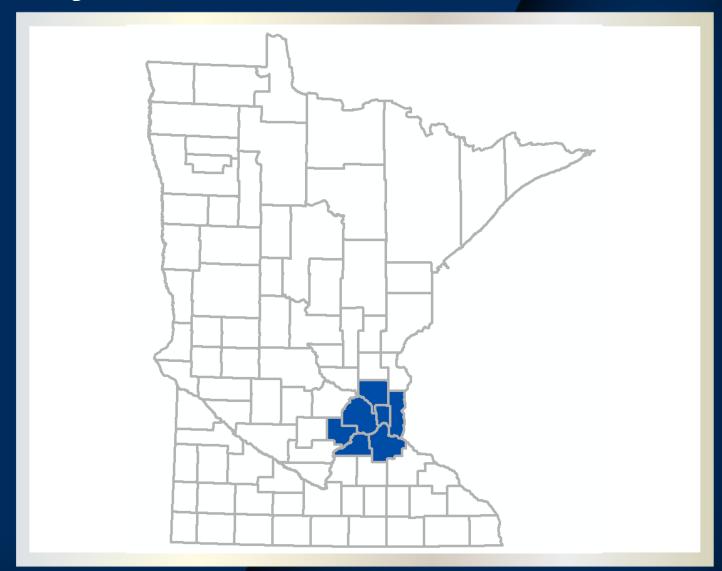
### Region is home to majority of Minnesotans

The 7-county Twin Cities region:

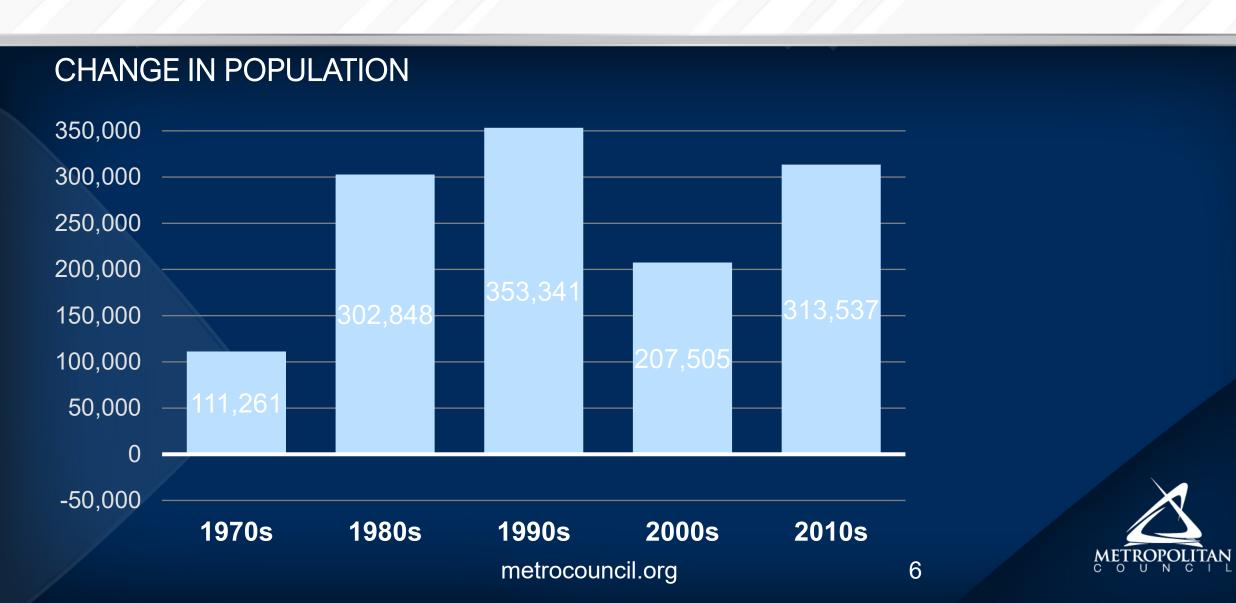
3.163 million residents (55% of Minnesota's population)

+ 313,500 people, 2010-2020

(78% of state's 2010-2020 growth)



## Growth in historical context



### Most cities/ townships are adding people

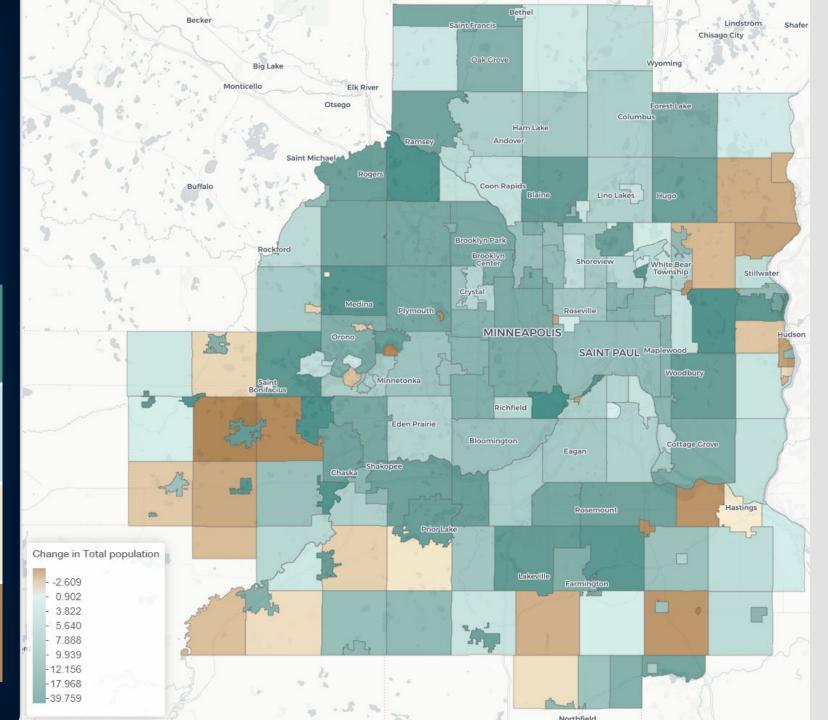
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High population growth

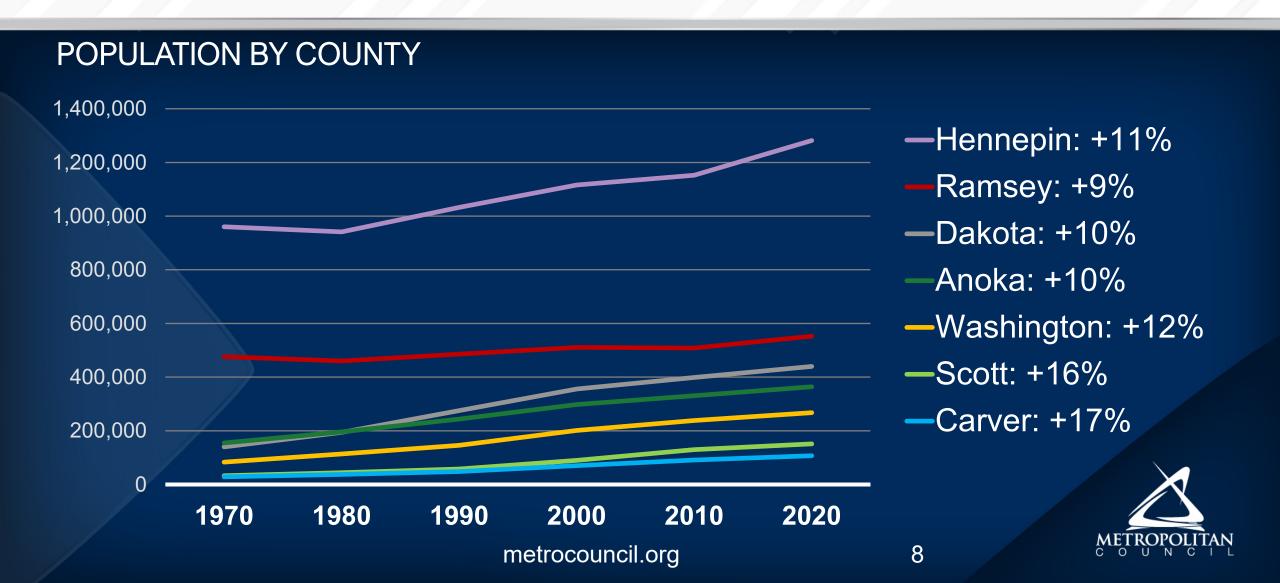
Small population growth

Small population loss

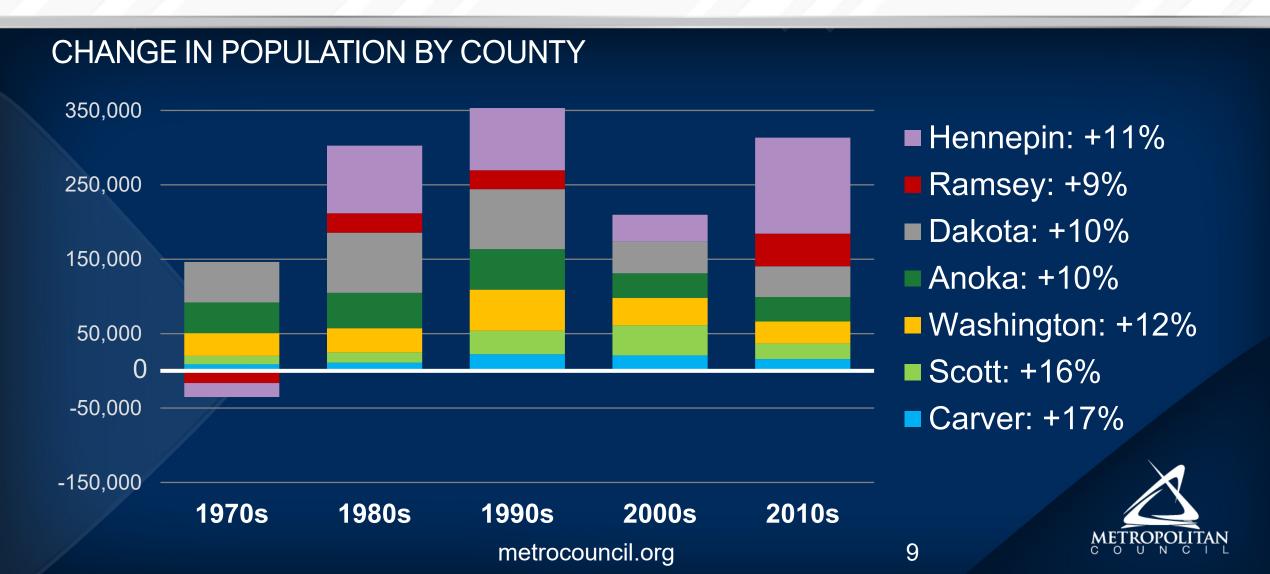
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# Every county grew in 2010s

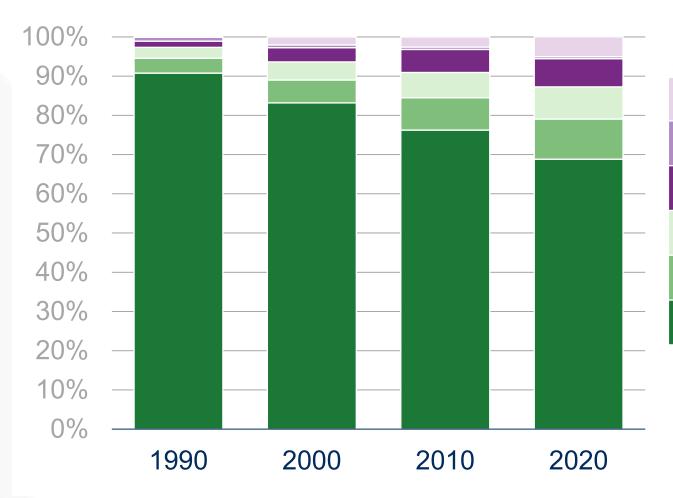


# Population growth by county



## Diversity is increasing

POPULATION BY RACE AND HISPANIC/LATINO ORIGIN, 1990-2020



12/8/2021

Group	share
Other/multiracial, non-Latino	5%
American Indian, non-Latino	1%
Hispanic/Latino	7%
Asian/Pacific Islander, non-Latino	8%
Black, non-Latino	10%
White, non-Latino	69%



2020

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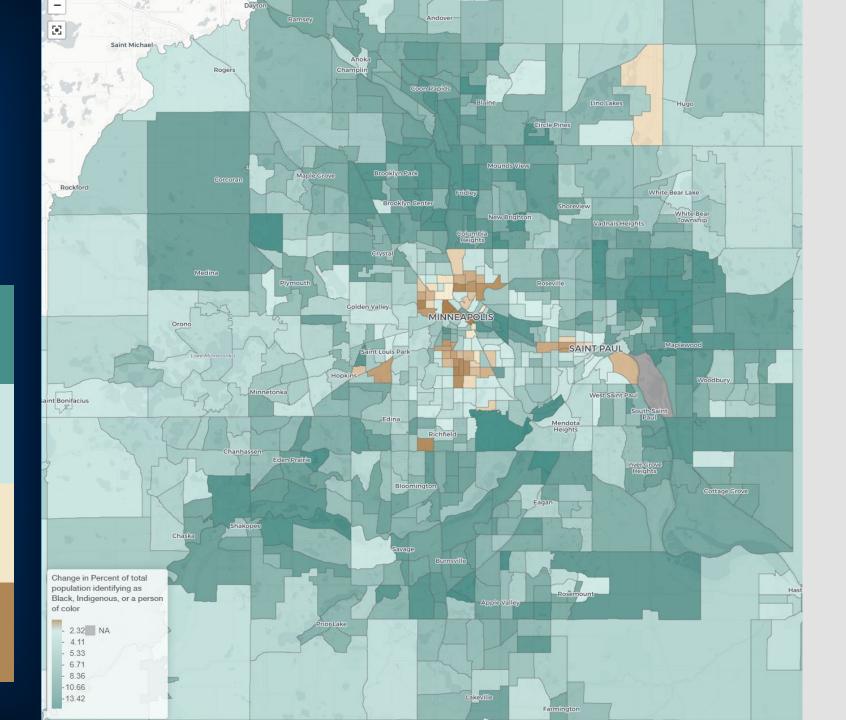
# Most areas saw increase in diversity (2010-2020)

Largest increase in % BIPOC

Smaller increase in % BIPOC

Smaller decline in % BIPOC

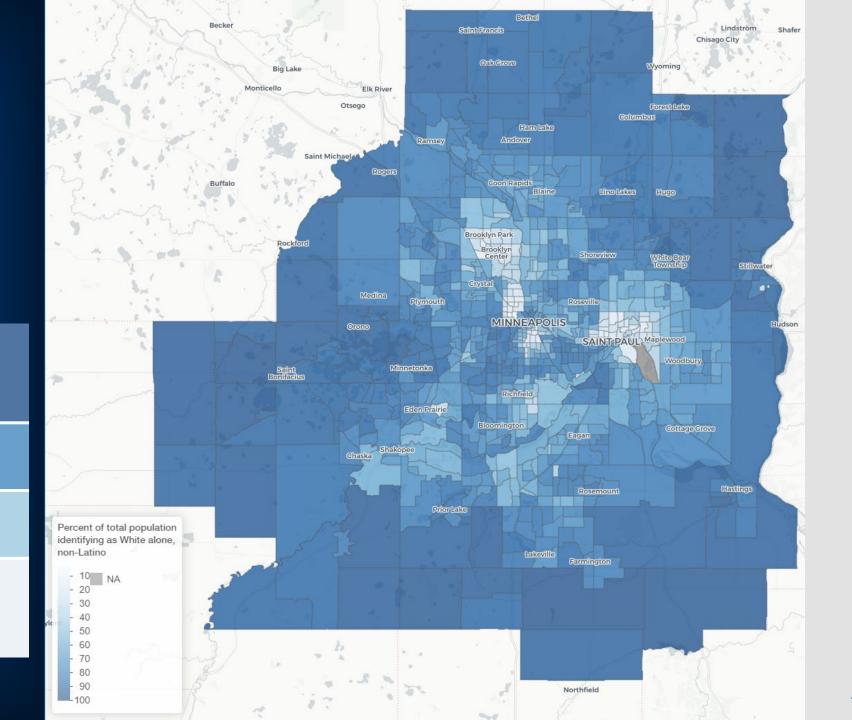
Largest decline in % BIPOC



# BUT: Many areas remain mostly White (2020)

Highest % White

Lowest % White



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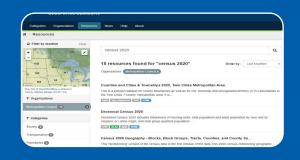
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#### Local jurisdictions



#### Advanced users



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