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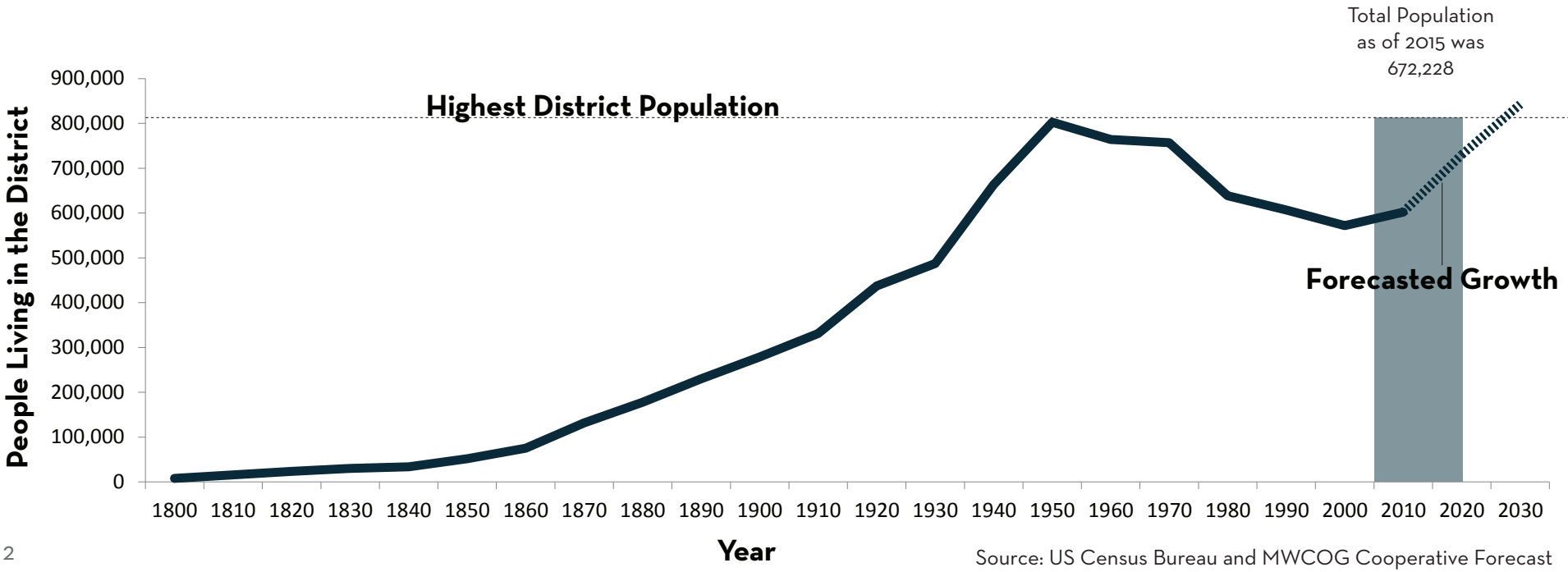
Renewed Population Growth

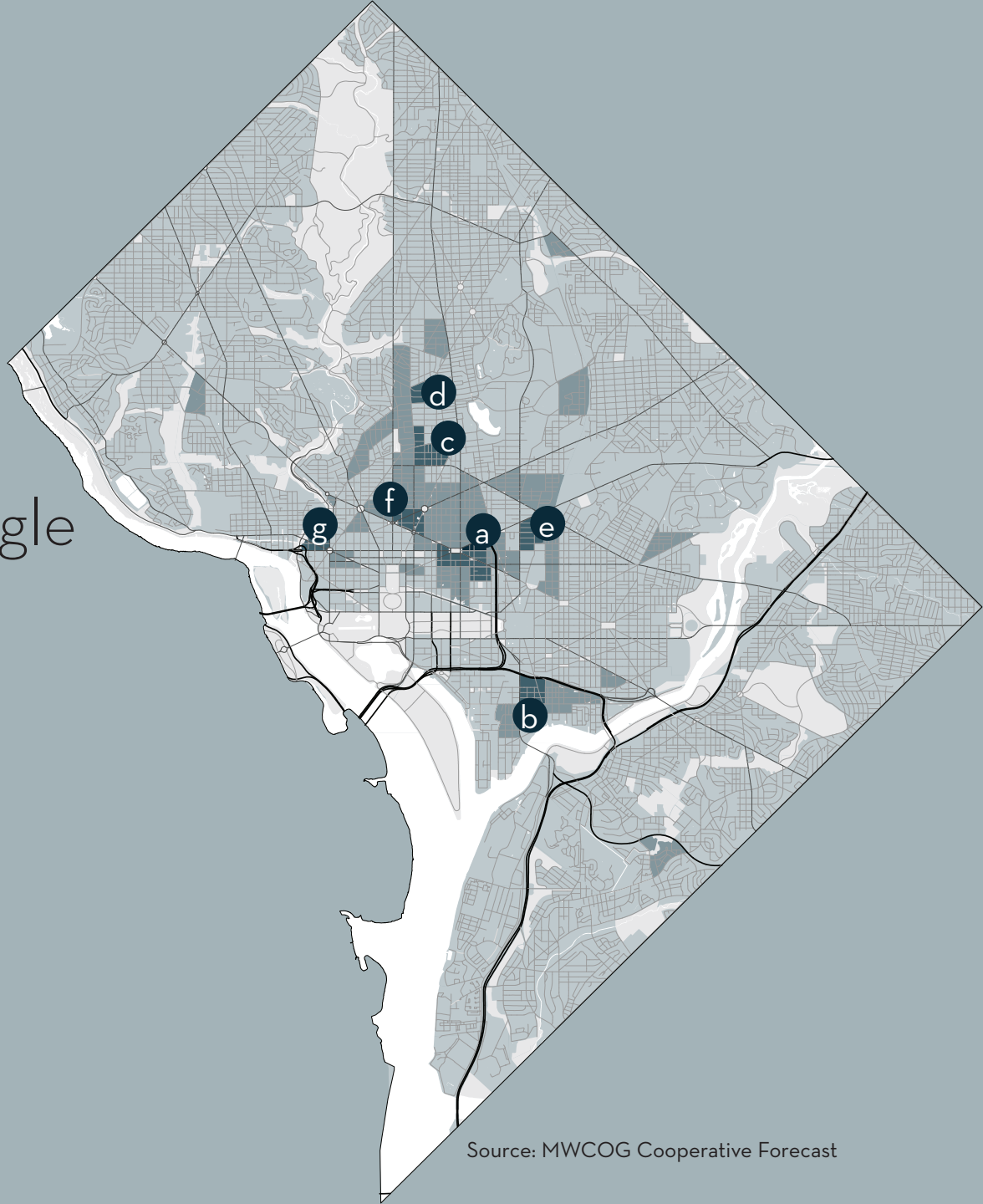
Between 2000 and 2015 the District added **100,000** people.



Source: US Census Bureau and MWCOG Cooperative Forecast

Between 2000 and 2015 **households** increased citywide with the highest levels of growth in:

- a Mount Vernon Triangle
- b Capital Riverfront
- c U Street
- d Columbia Heights
- e NoMa
- f Logan Circle
- g Foggy Bottom



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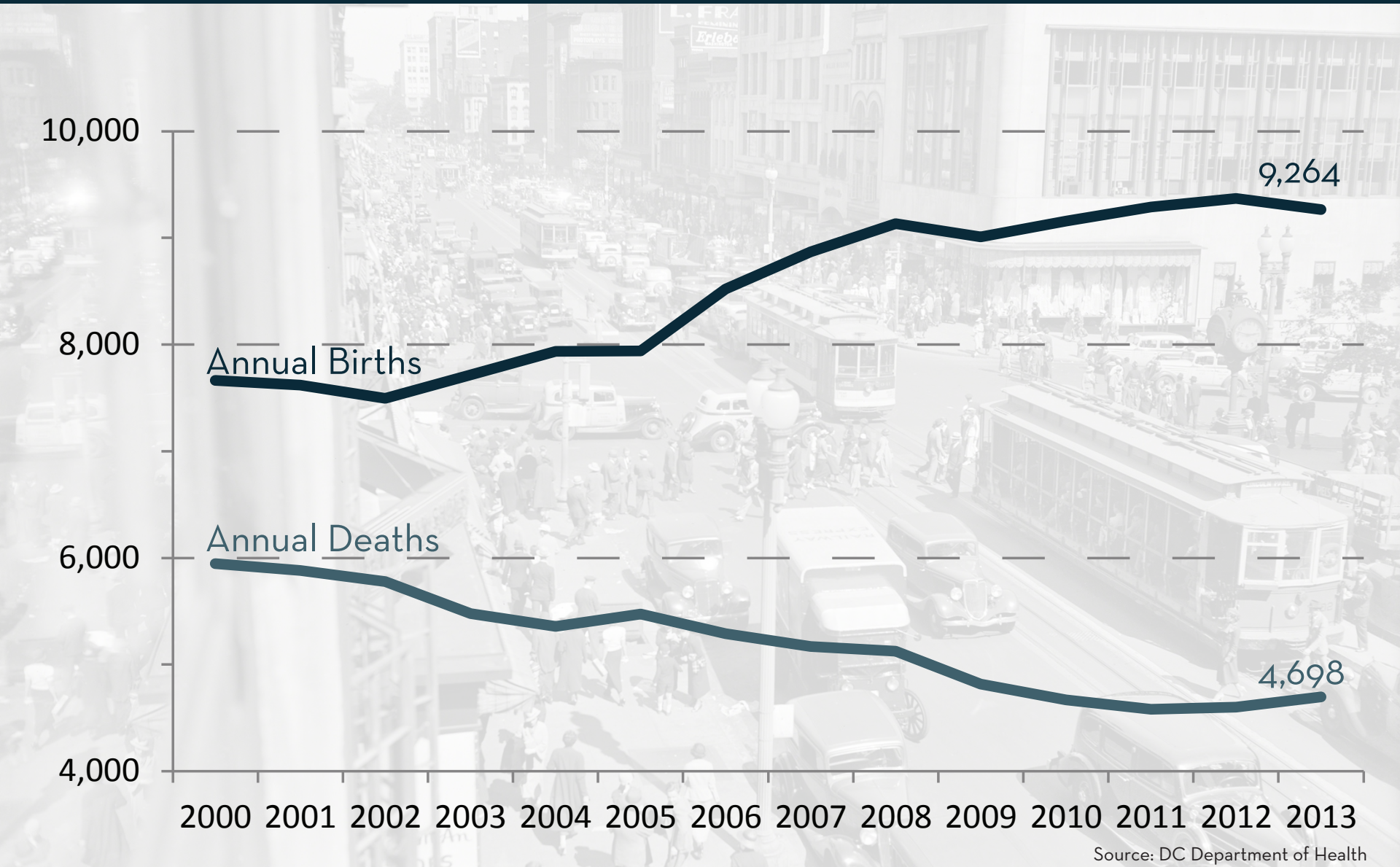
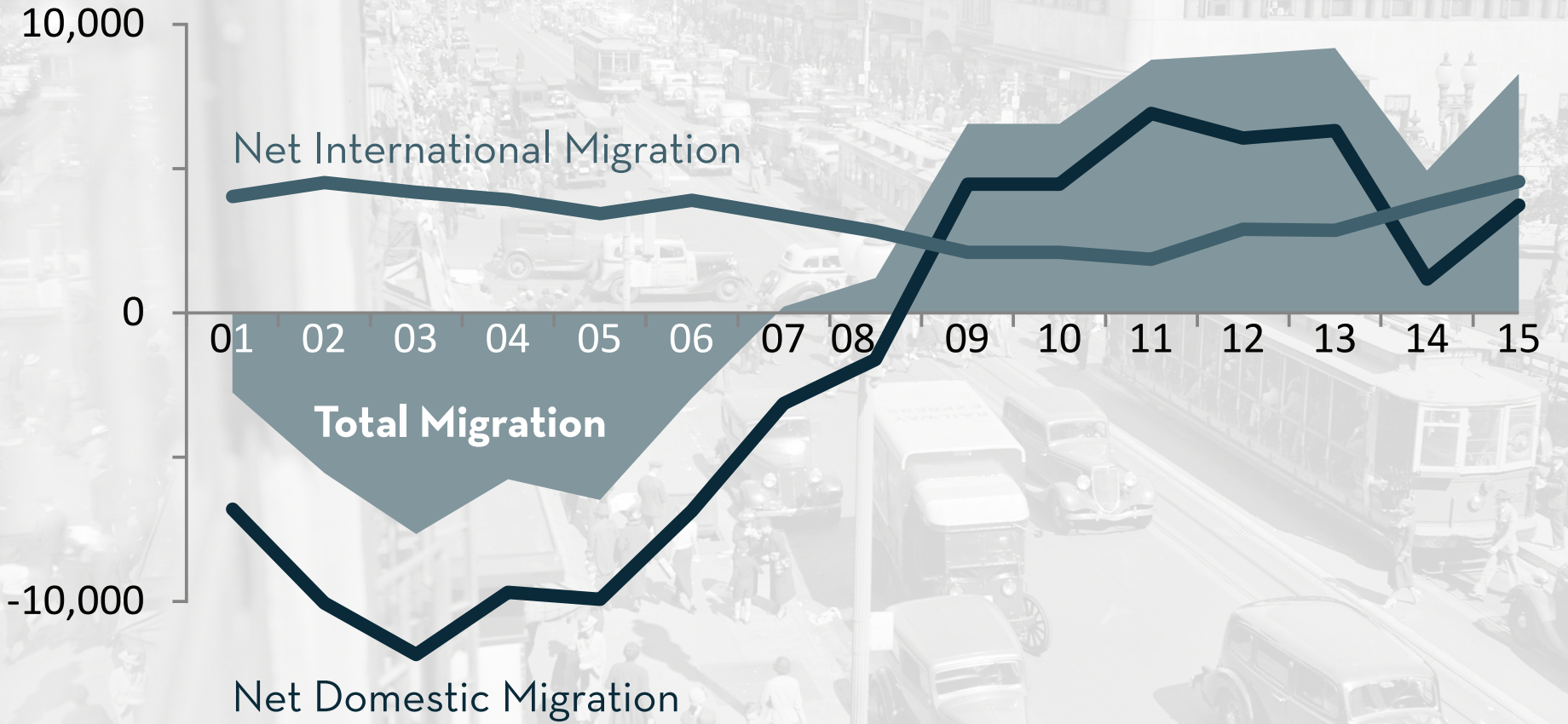
Births and Deaths in the District



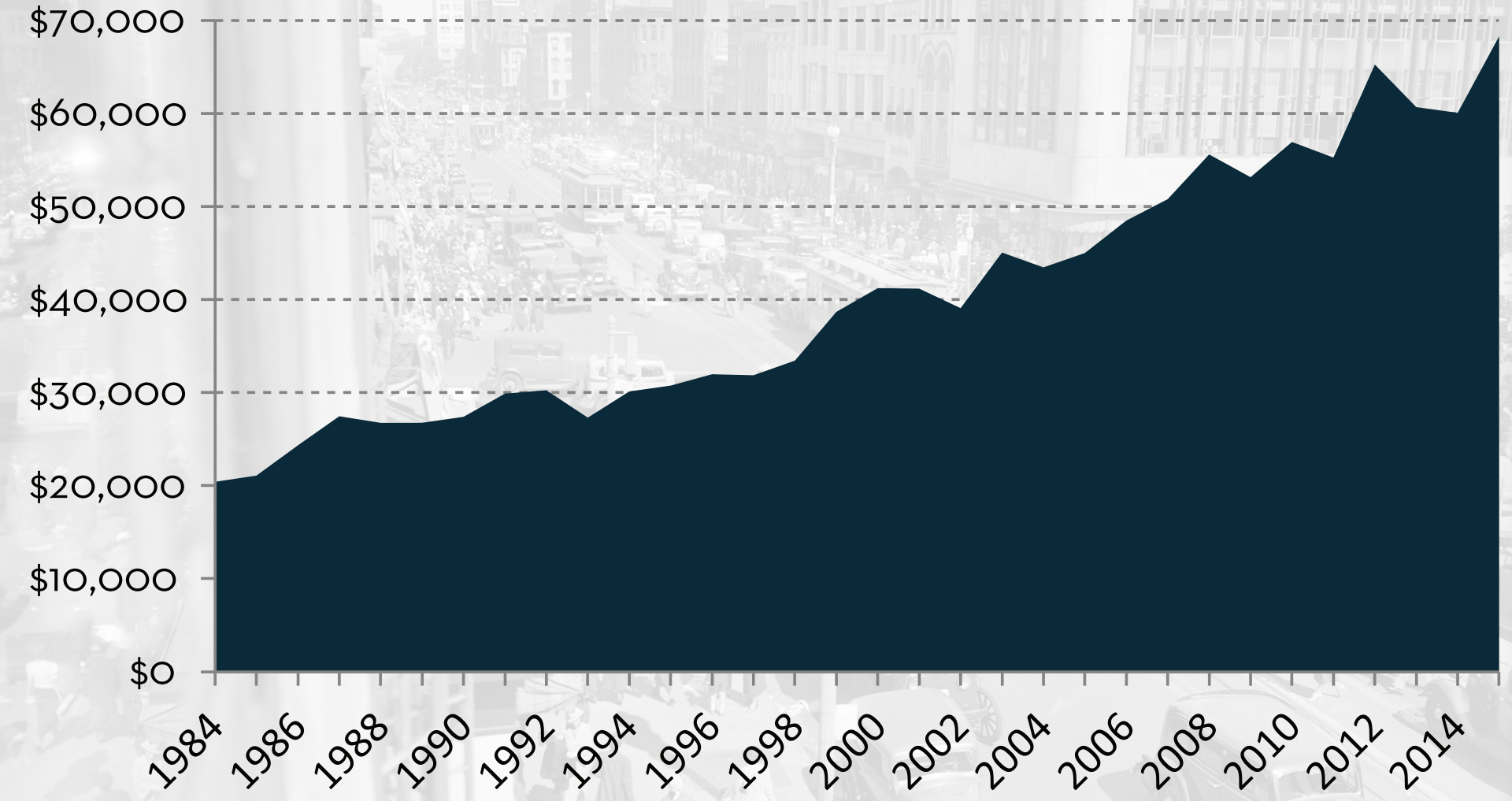
Source: DC Department of Health

Migration to the District



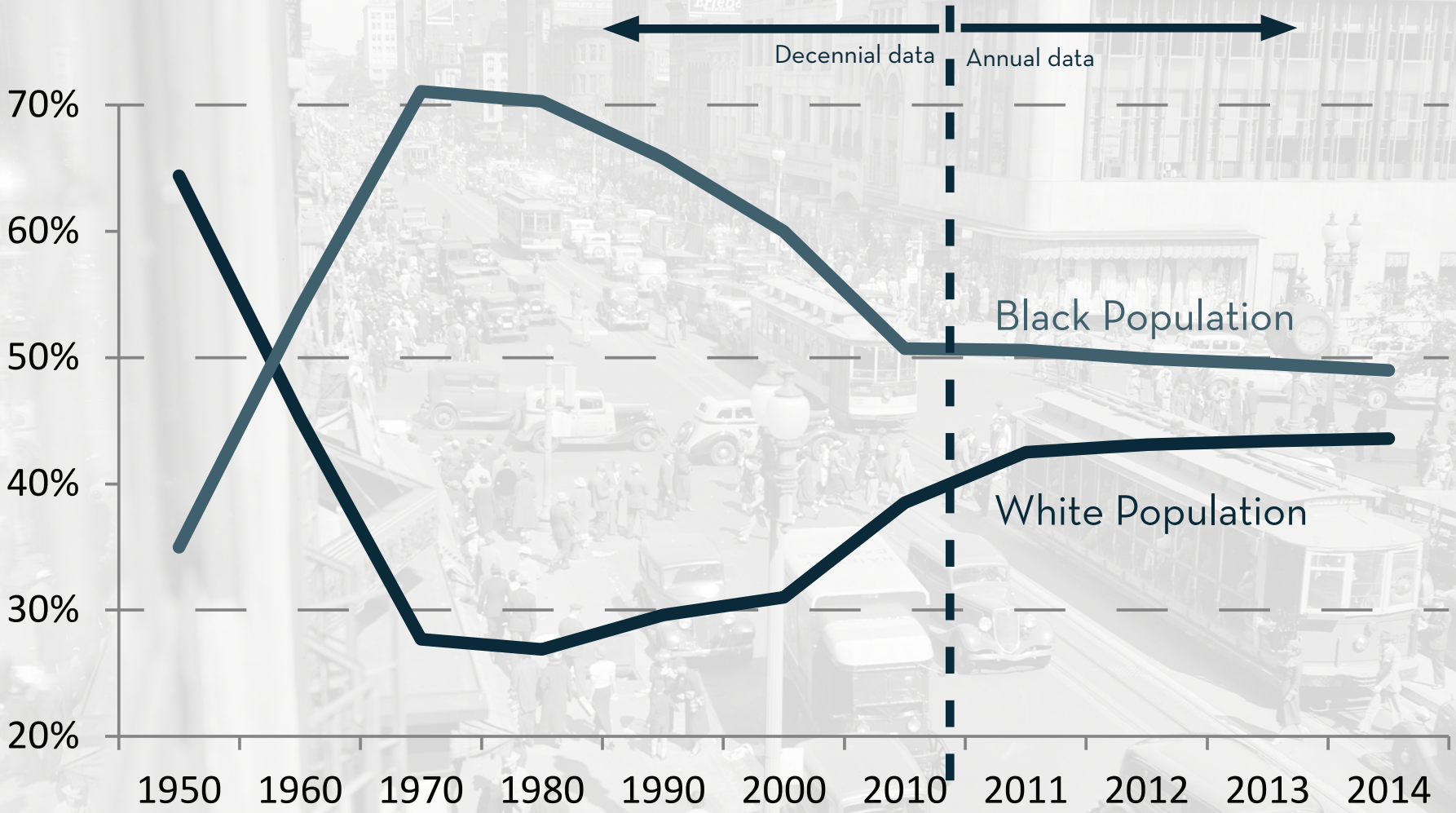
Source: US Census Bureau

Median Income in the District



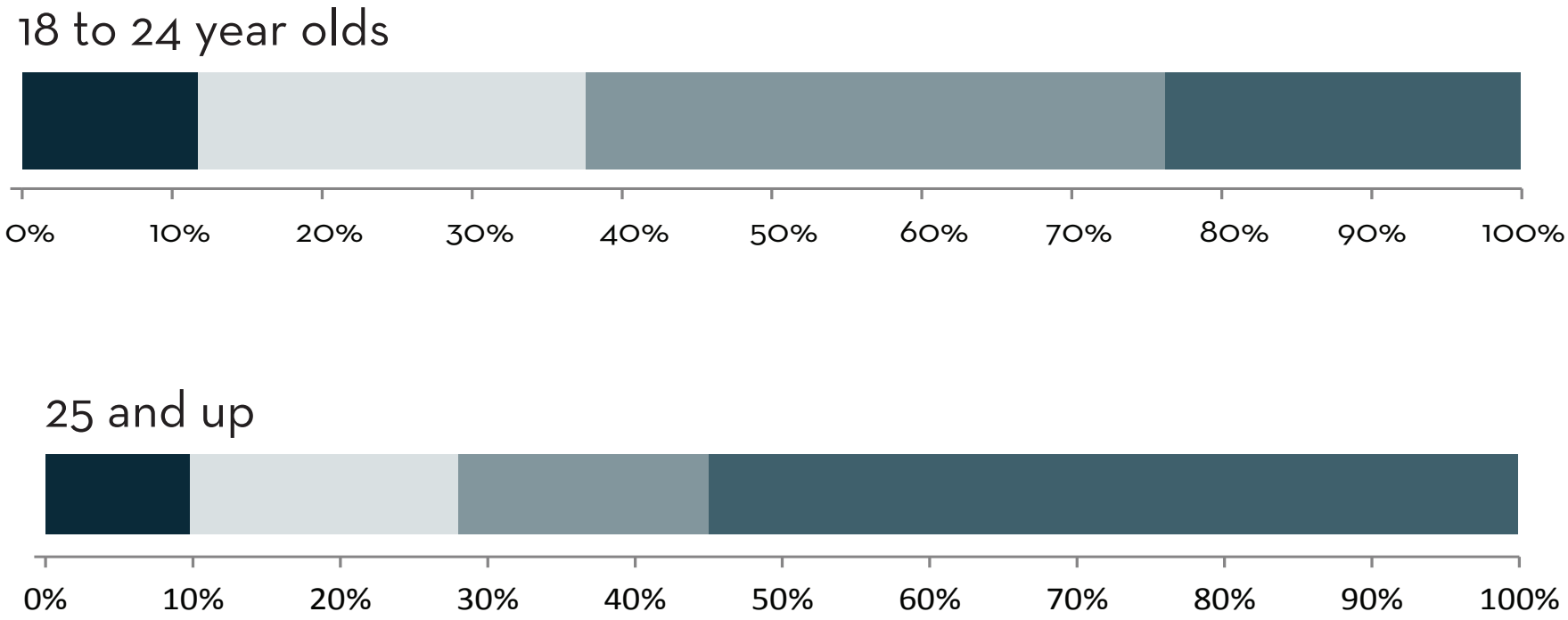
Source: US Census Bureau 2015 Dollars

Racial Composition of the District



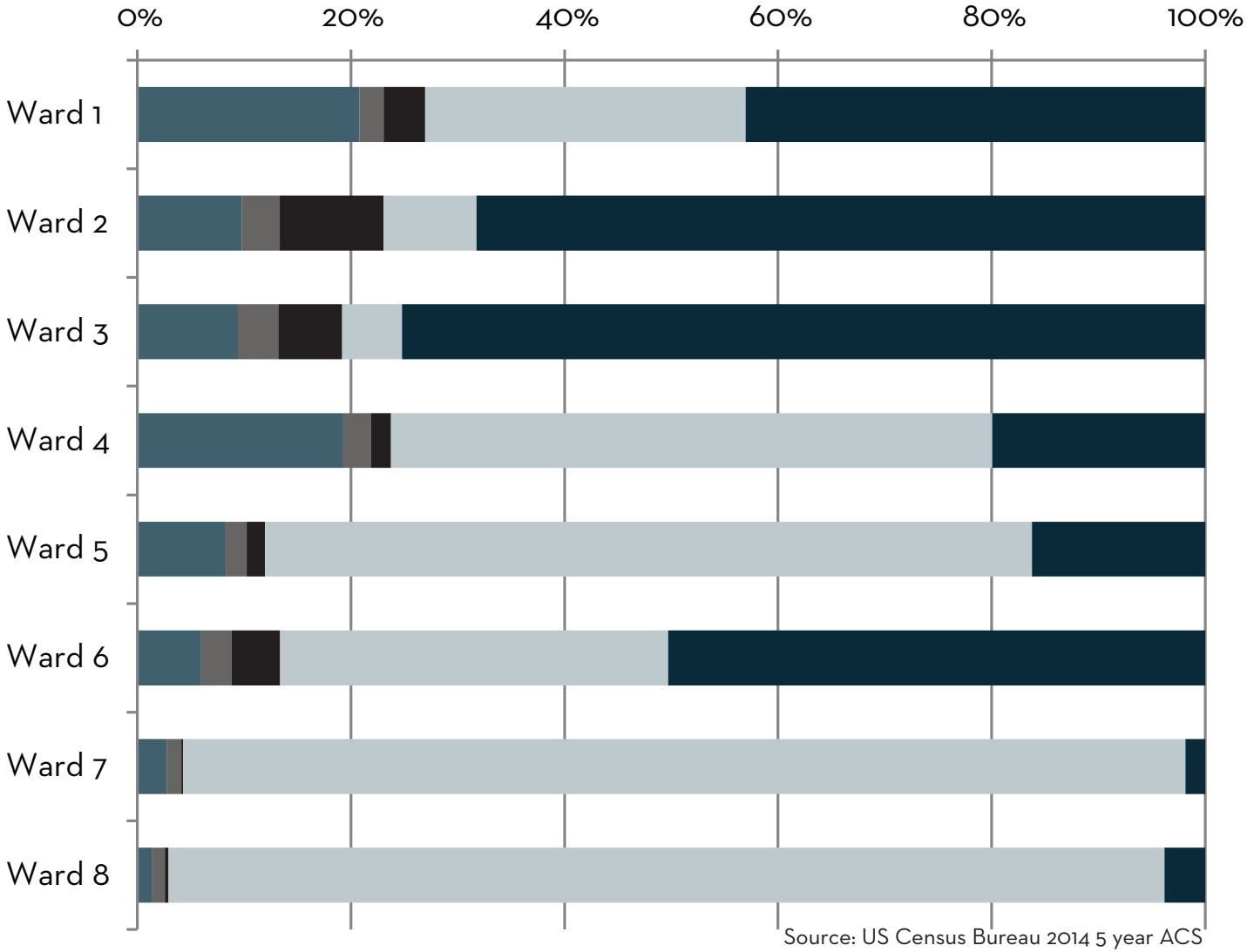
Source: DC State Data Center

Educational Attainment

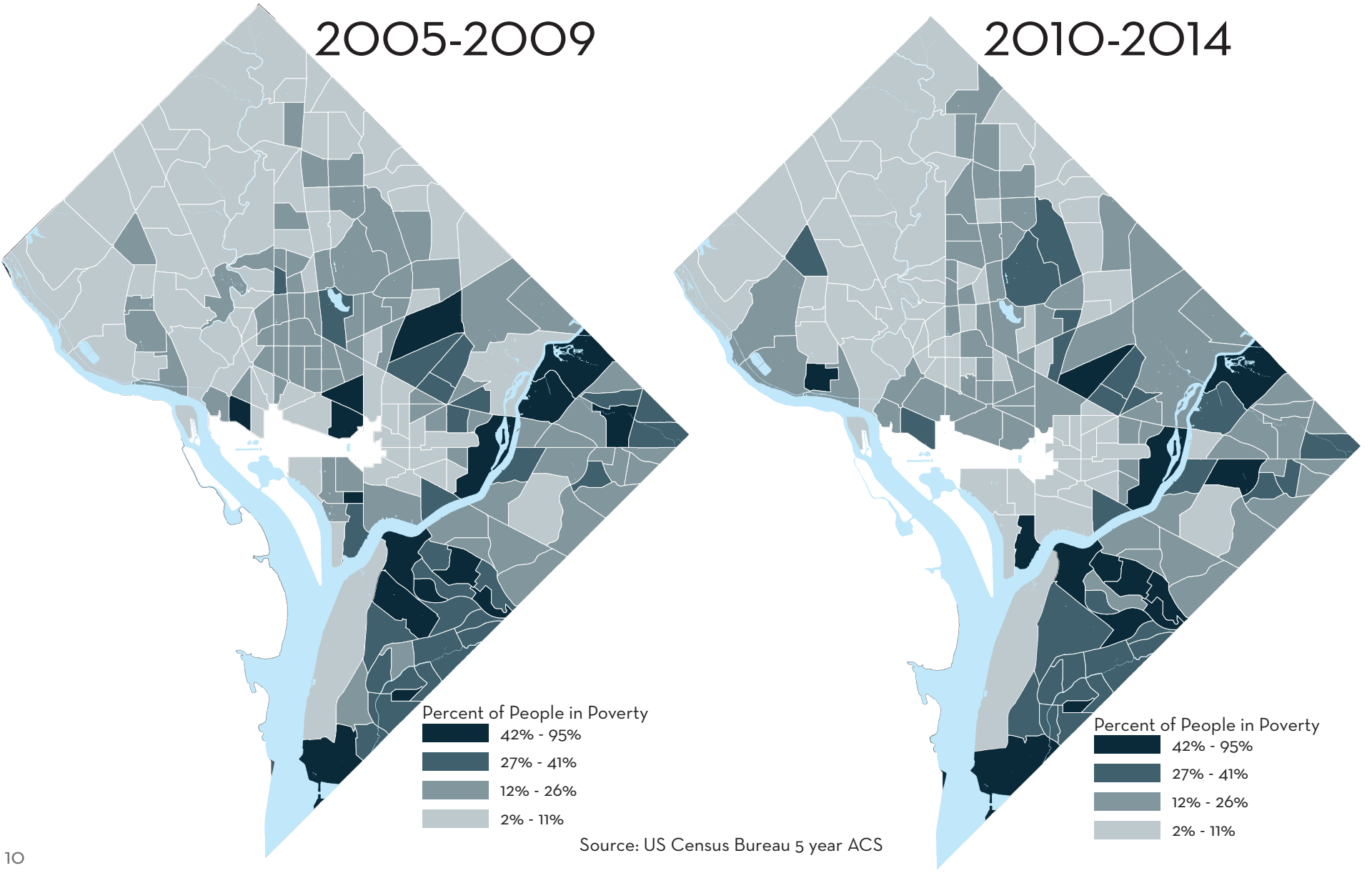


Source: US Census Bureau 2014 1 year ACS

Race and Ethnicity in the District



Poverty in the District



Source: US Census Bureau 5 year ACS

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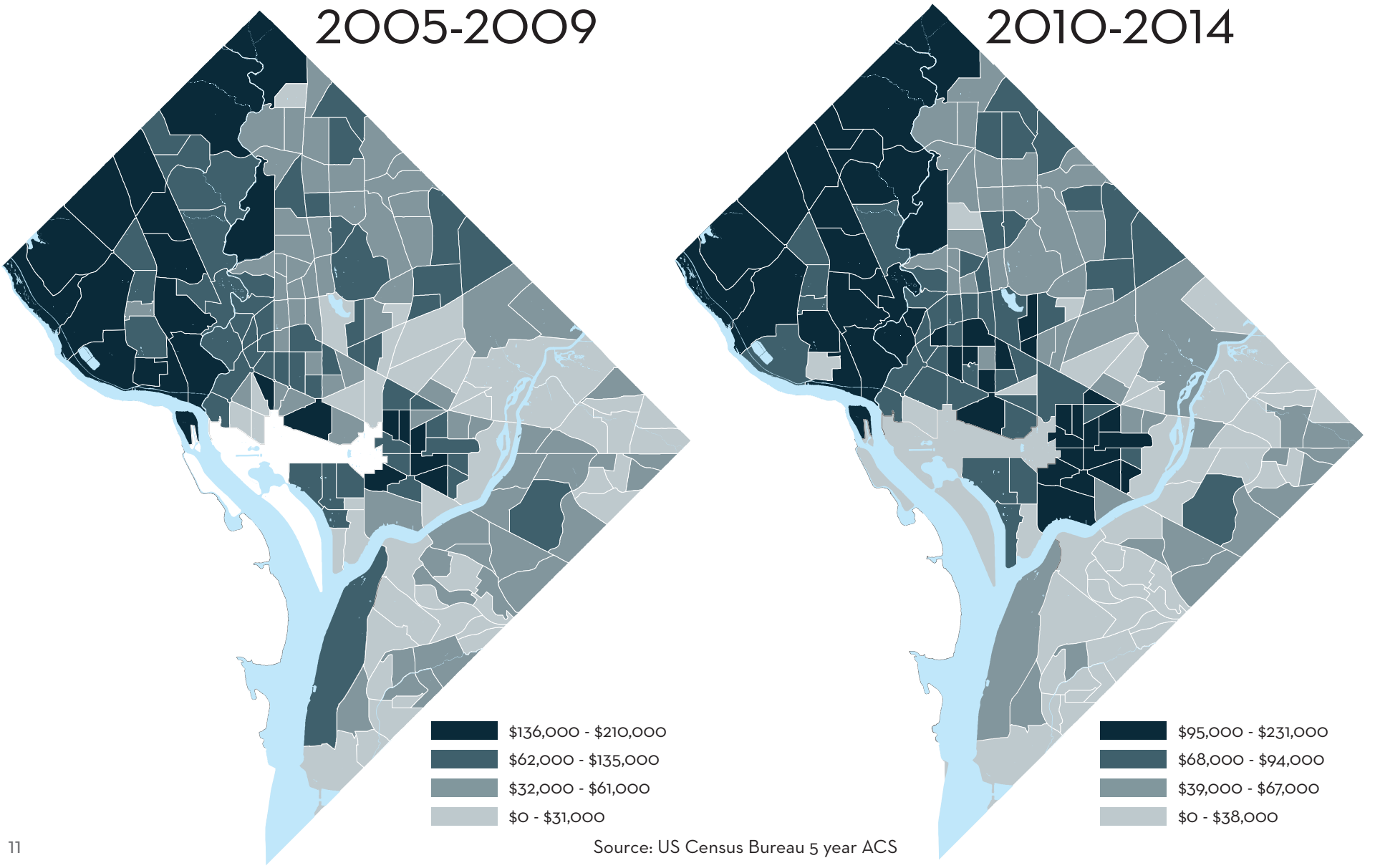

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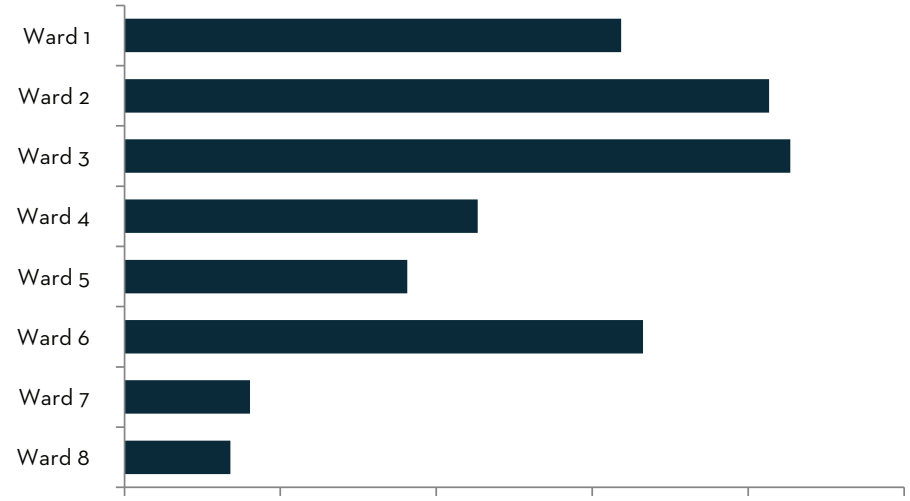
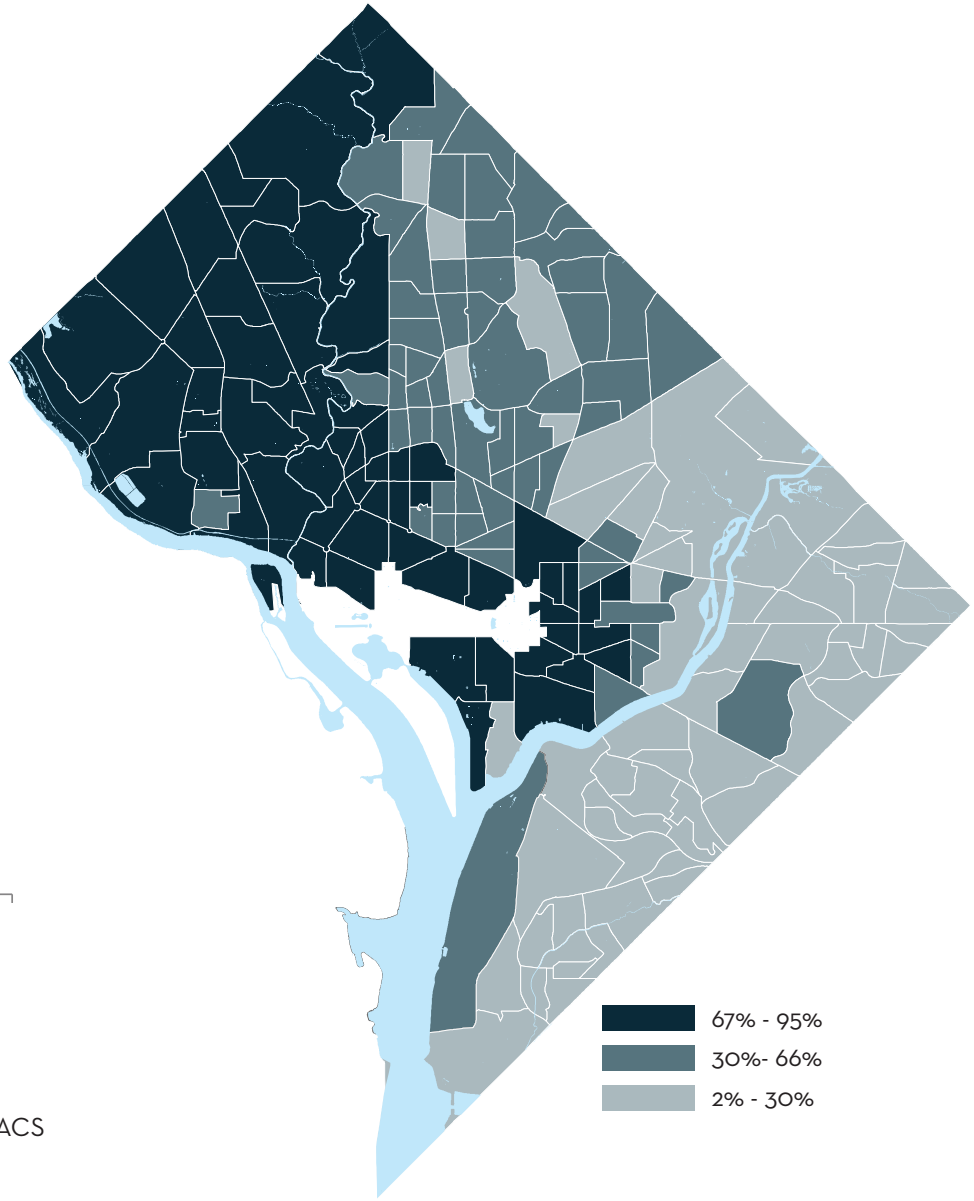
Educational Attainment

Percent of Population over 25 with a Bachelors Degree or Higher





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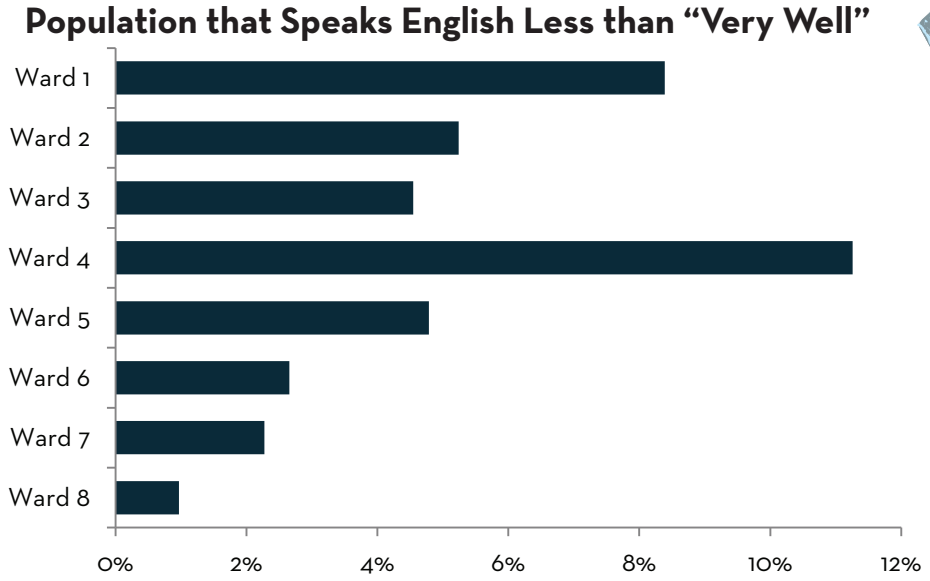
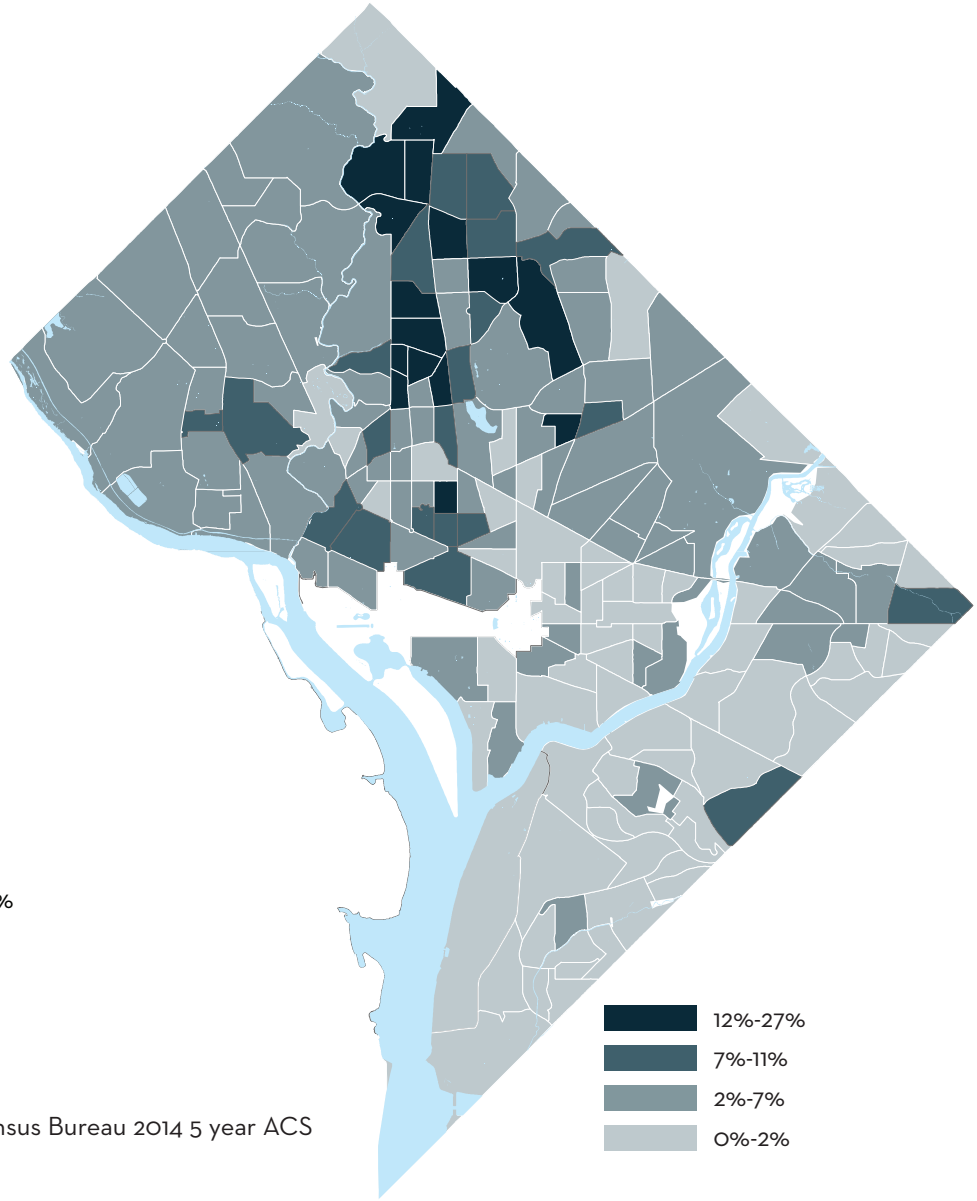
Population that Speaks English Less than "Very Well"





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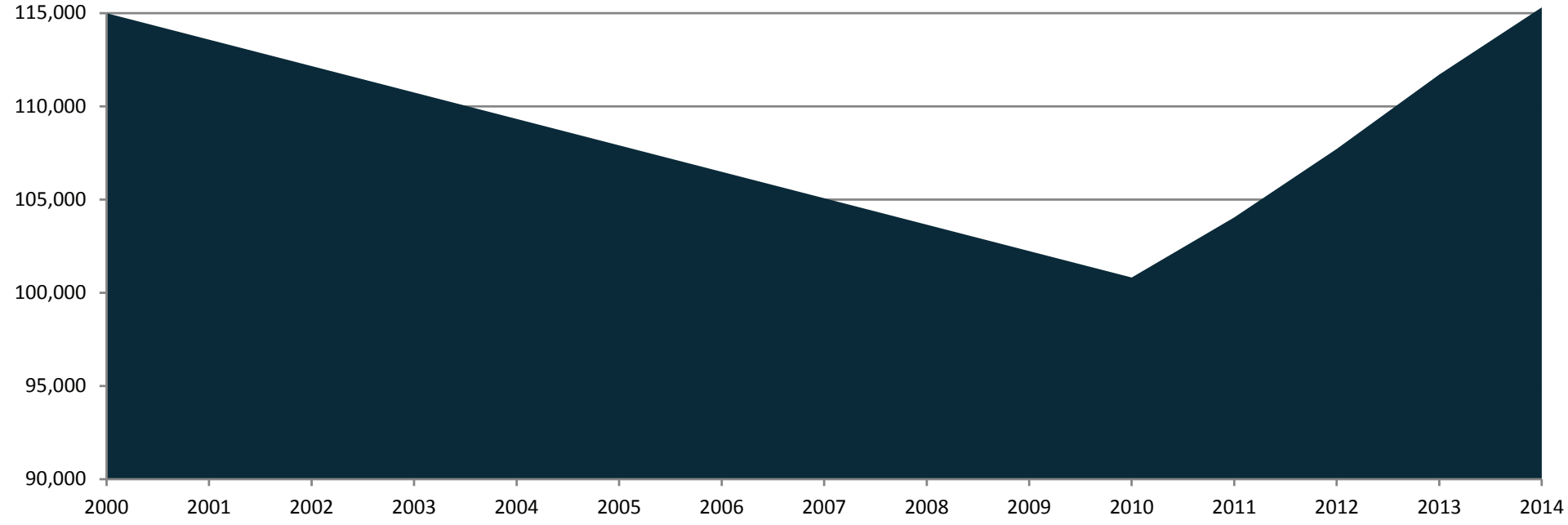
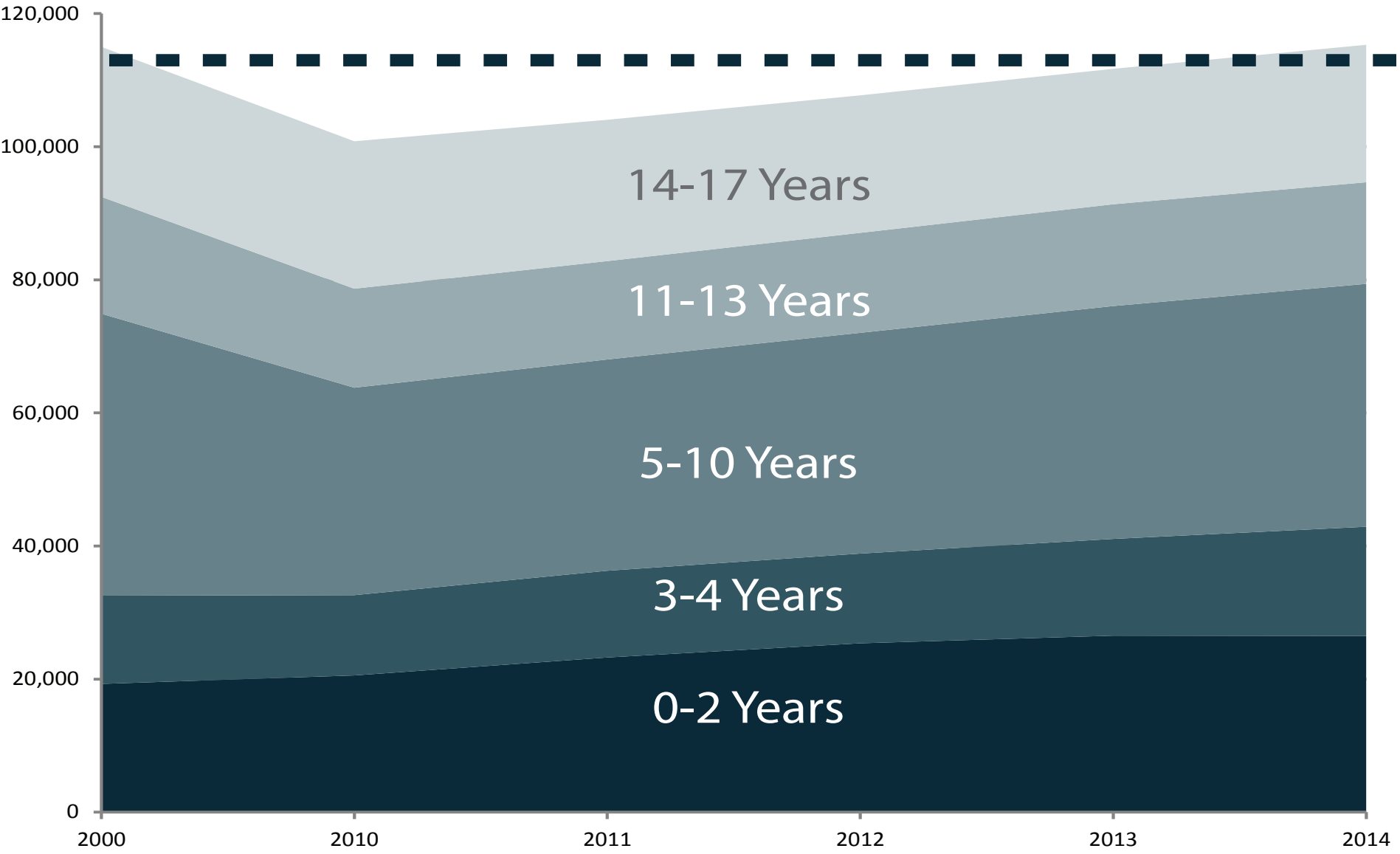
Youth Population (Ages 0-17)

Declines in the District's youth population between 2000 and 2010 have been reversed.



Source: US Census Bureau Census and Estimates

Youth Population Composition



Source: DC State Data Center

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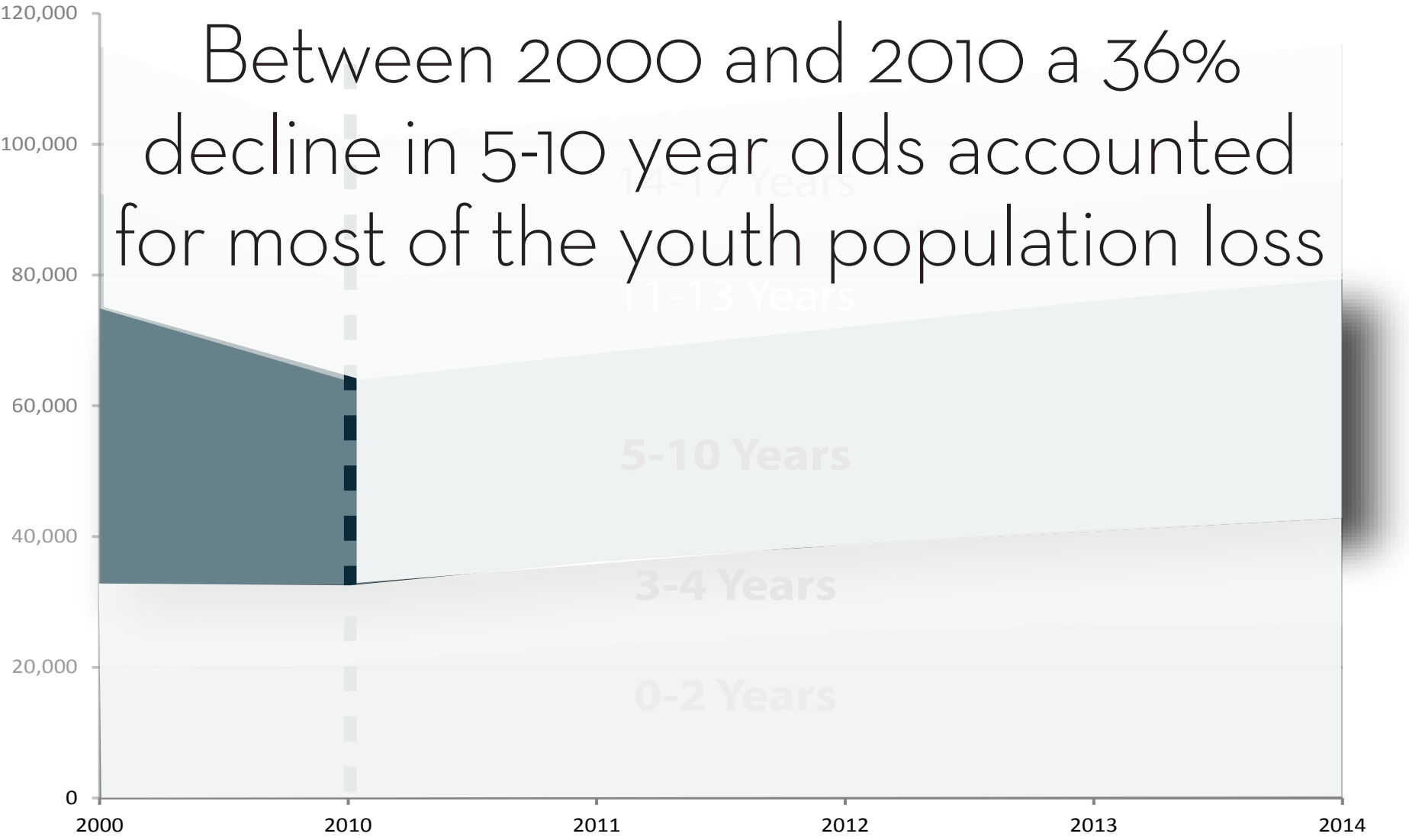

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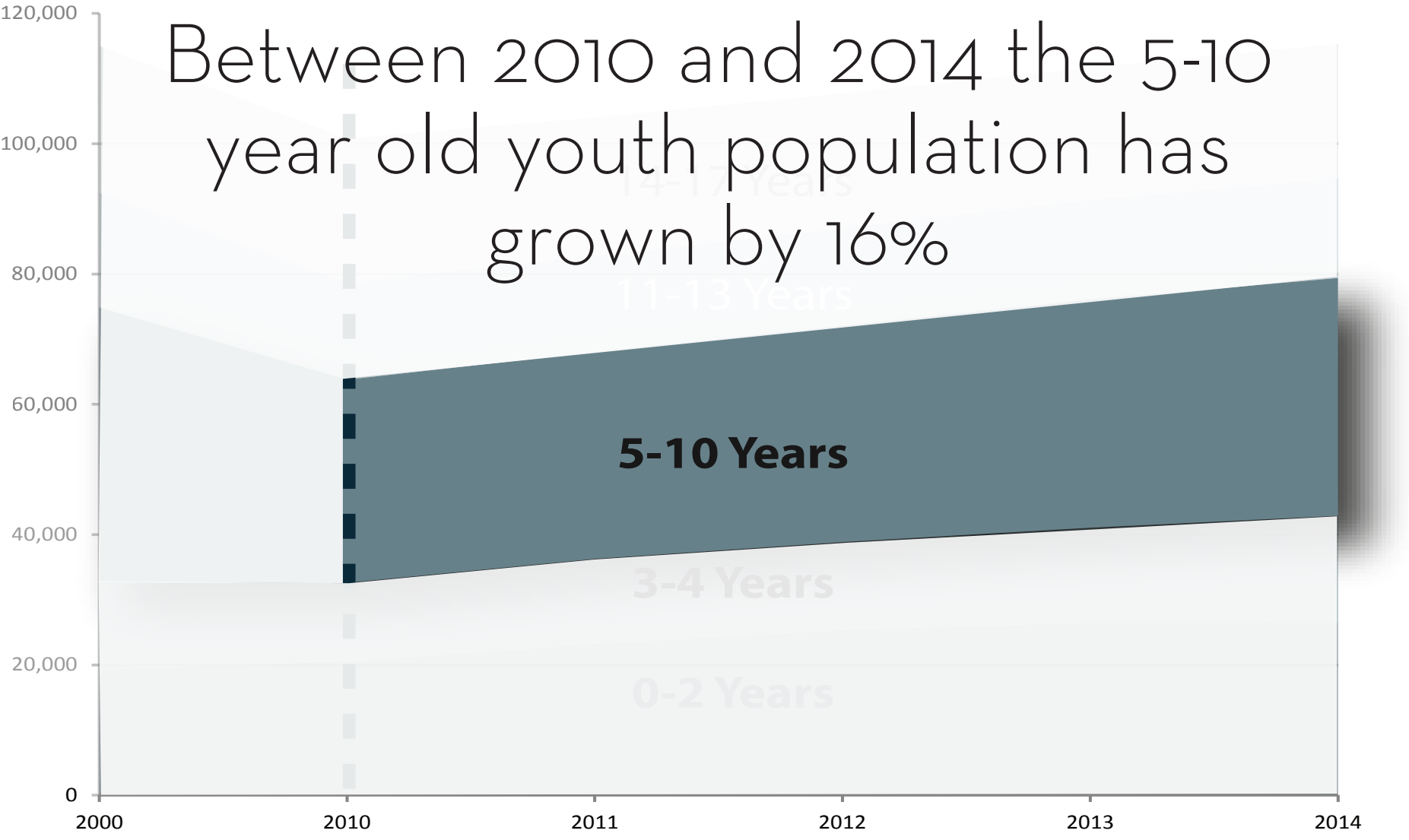

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Youth Population Trends

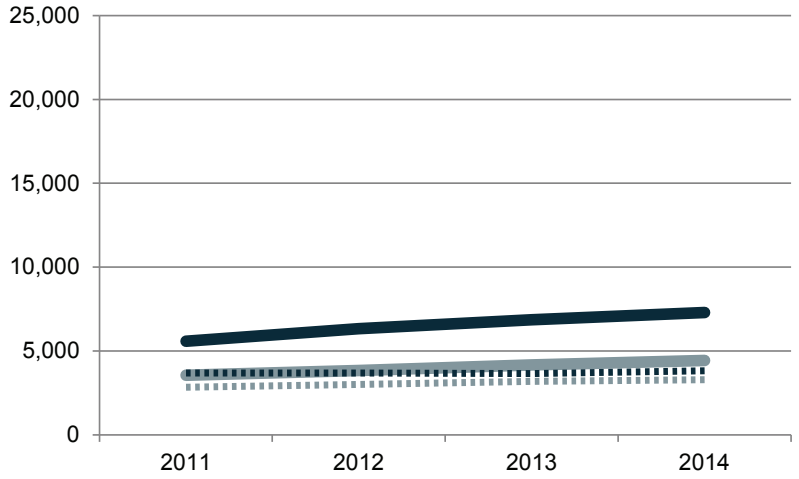
Under 5

10 to 14 years

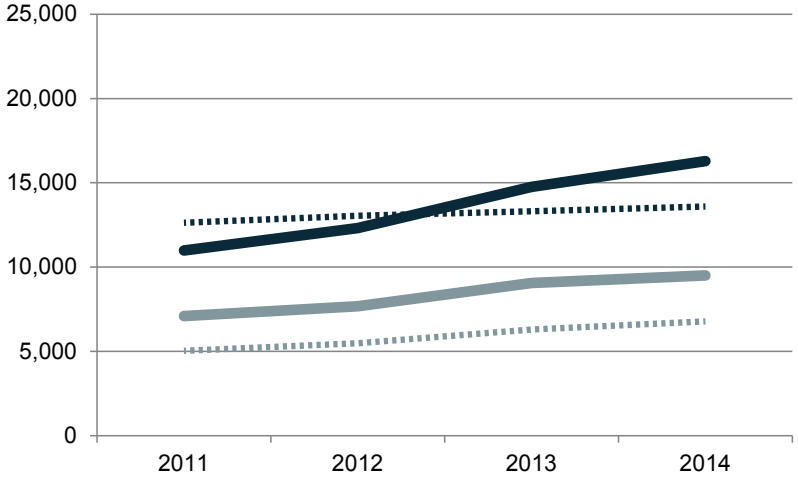
5 to 9 years

15 to 19 years

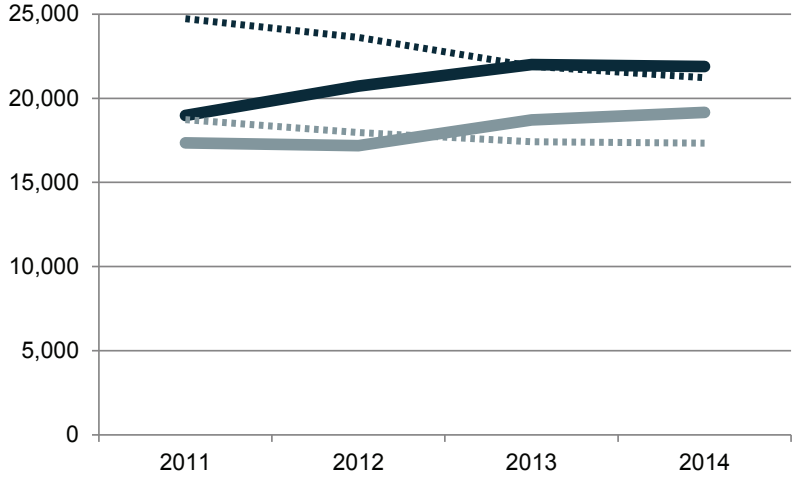
Latino Youth



White Youth



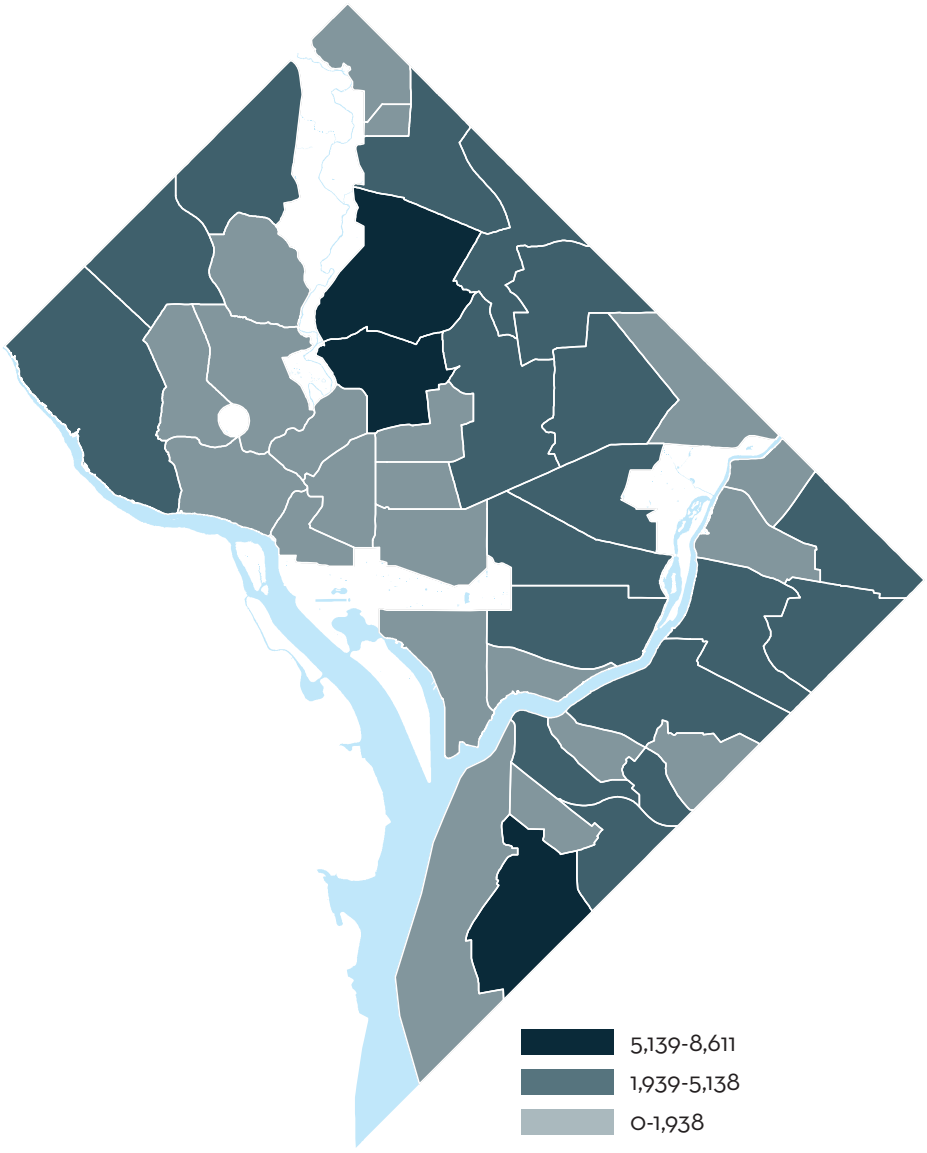
Black Youth



Source: US Census Bureau

Youth Population 2010-2014

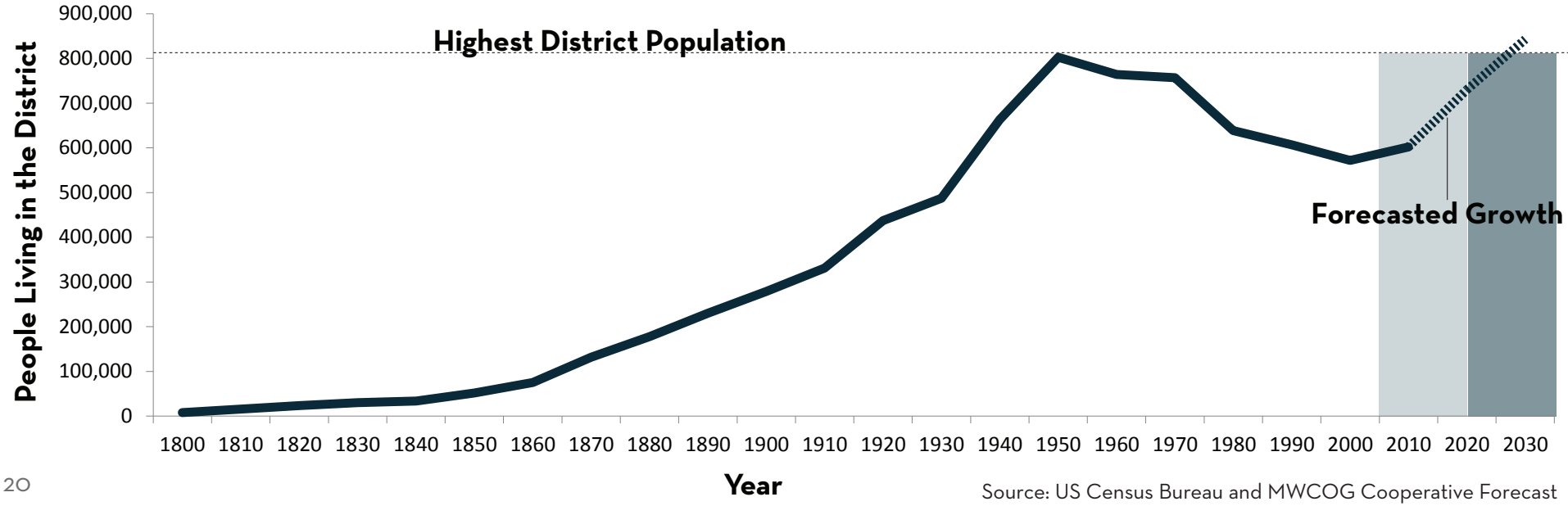
Currently the youth population is largest in mid-city neighborhoods and far south east.



Source: 2010-2014 ACS

Continued Growth is Likely

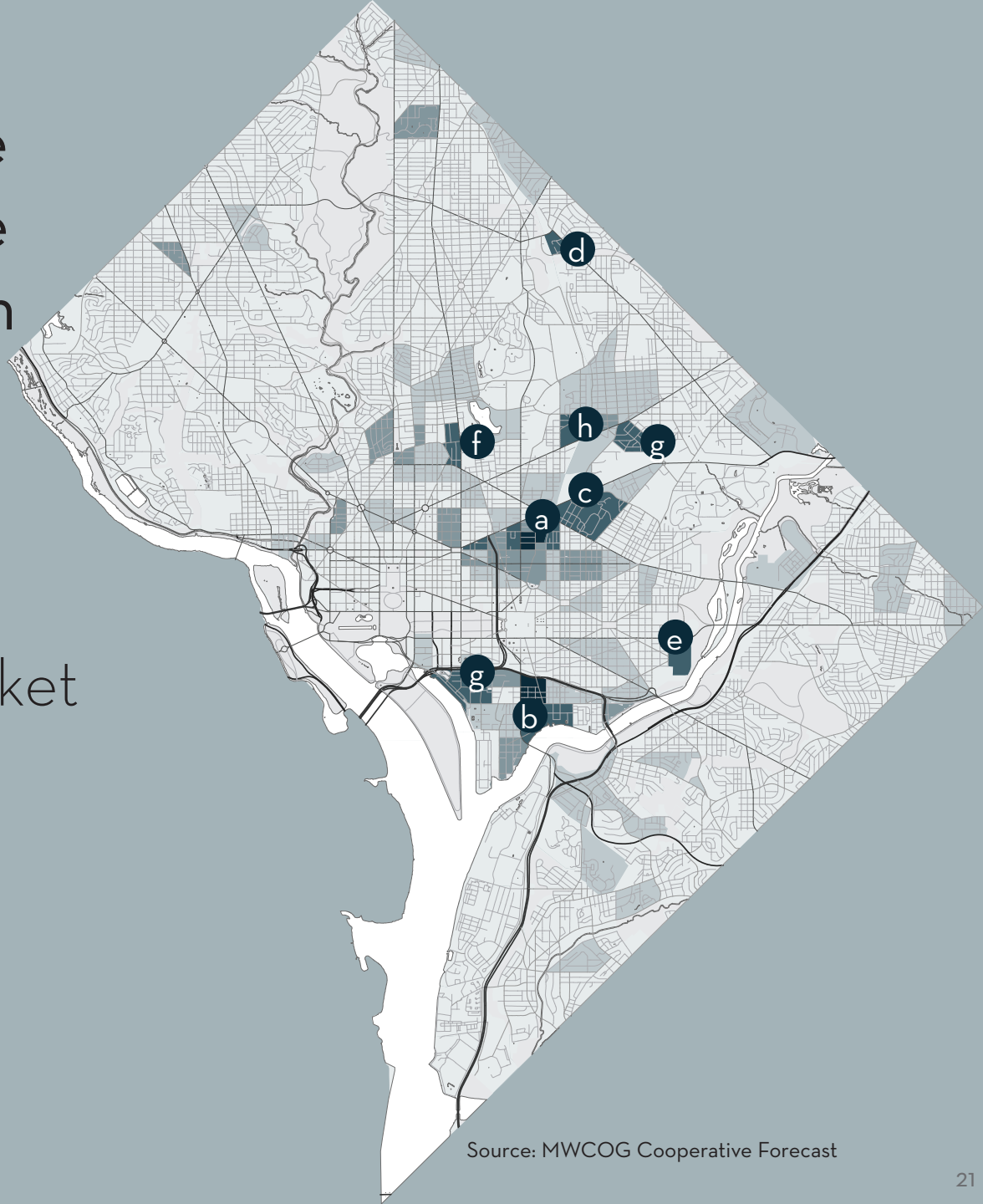
Over the next 15 years the District is likely to reach a new peak population **above 800,000** residents.



Source: US Census Bureau and MWCOG Cooperative Forecast

Between 2015 and 2030 **households** are expected to continue to grow city wide with the highest levels in:

- a NoMa
- b Capitol Riverfront
- c Florida Avenue Market
- d Fort Totten
- e Hill East
- f Lower Georgia Ave
- g Waterfront
- h Edgewood
- g Brentwood



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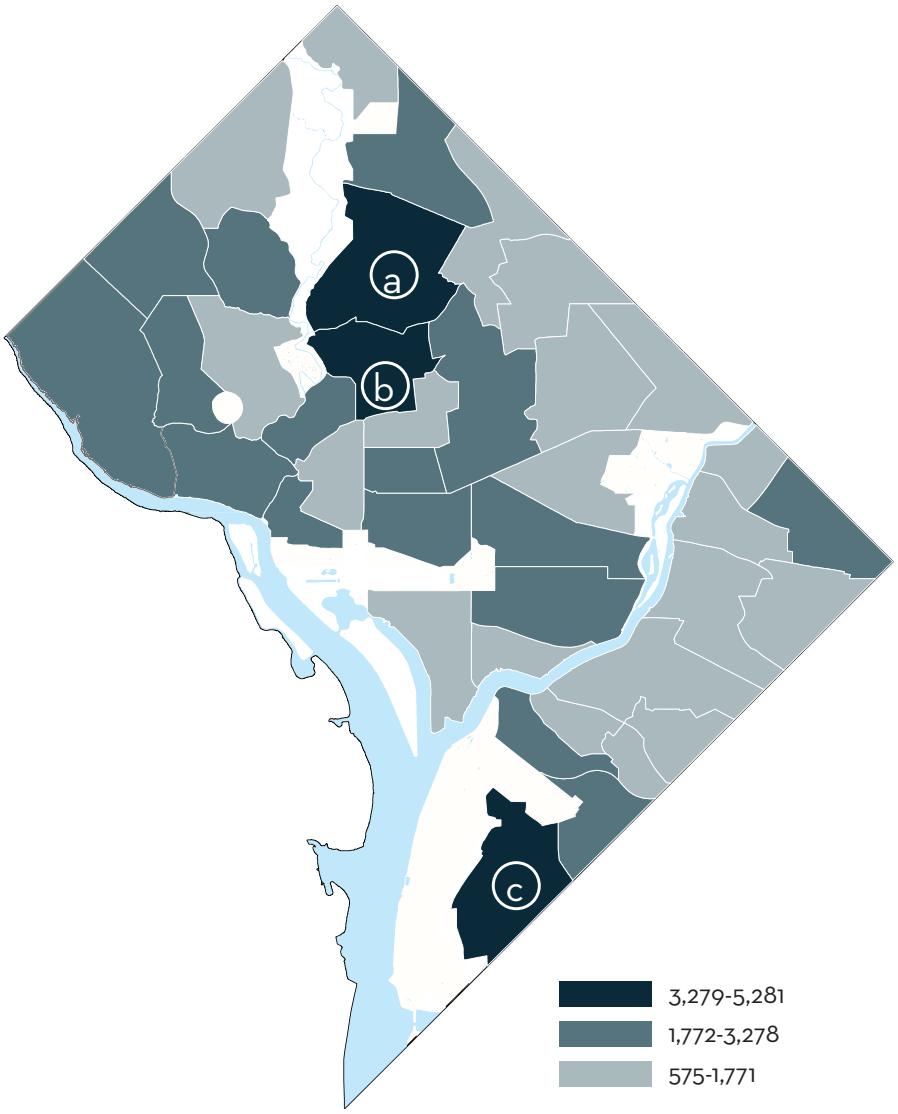
Youth Population 2015-2022

Areas of Significant Forecasted Growth

- a Brightwood, Crestwood Petworth
- b Columbia Heights, Mt. Pleasant, Pleasant Plains, Park View
- c Congress Heights, Bellvue, Washington Heights



FORECAST ASSUMPTIONS

- **By Age 5**
  - 1/3 of children are anticipated to move out of the District.
  - 1/2 of Children in Central Washington are anticipated to move to single family neighborhoods.
  - 1/5 are anticipated to stay in Central Washington, in single family neighborhoods with house prices between $500,000 and $800,000.

- **The positive trends regarding the attraction and retention of households with children will continue.**

FORECAST LIMITATIONS

- **OP's Youth Population Model Limitations**
  - Over sensitive to higher income households
  - Uses a previous long range forecast of population that underestimated growth.
  - Young professionals are likely under estimated for the next 10 years.

KEY TAKEAWAYS

- The District as a whole is growing, and our latest forecast suggests we will continue to do so for the foreseeable future.
- The citywide median income is increasing, but these income gains remain unevenly distributed among the Wards.
- Our youth population has been on a growth trend since 2010.
- Since 2010, the population of 0-10 year olds has grown significantly while the 11-17 age cohort has remained static.
- There maybe opportunity to maximize the aging-up of elementary age children to try to capture them at middle and high school.

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