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Local & Regional Data

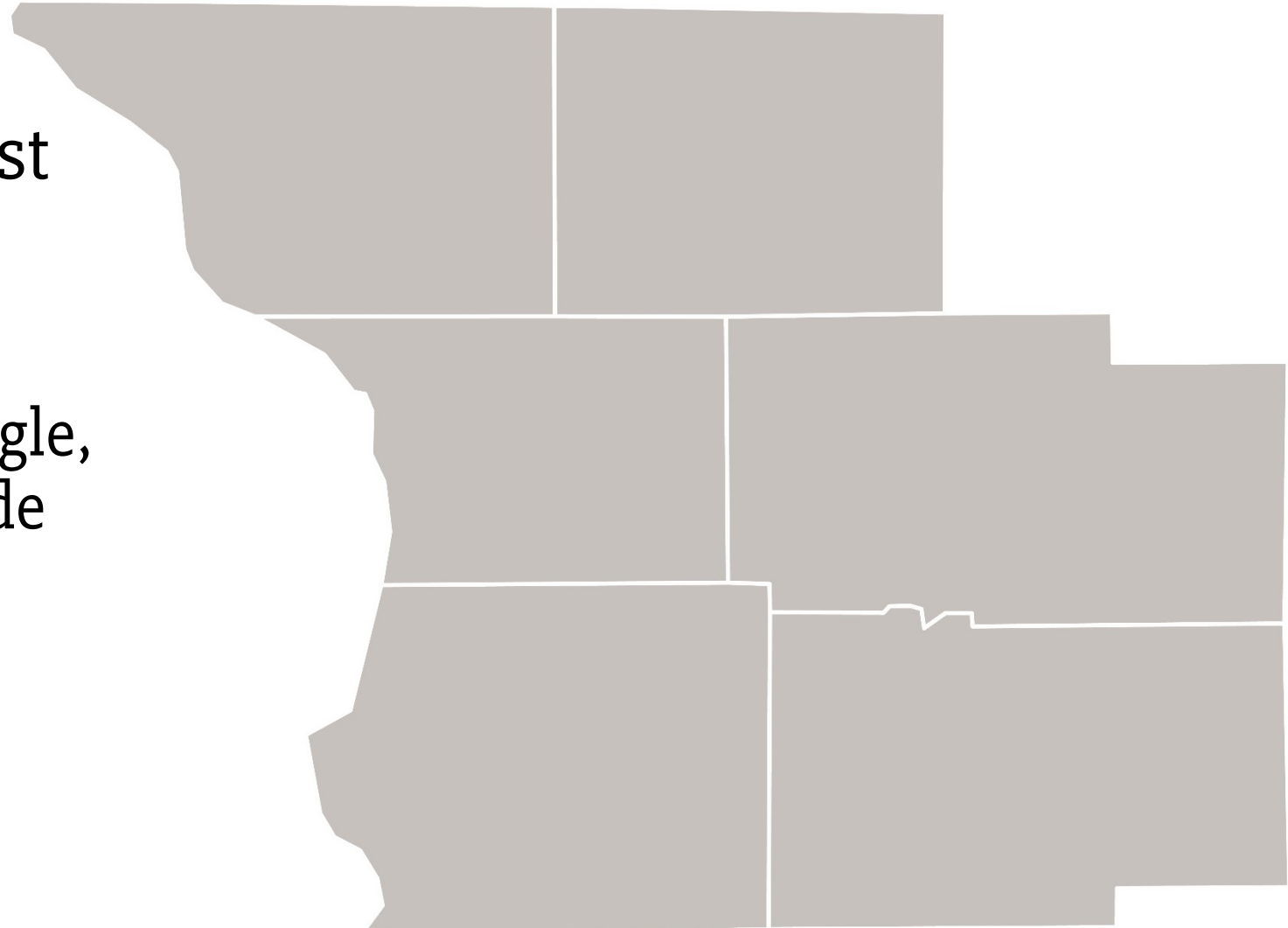
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CEDS

BHRC Overview

Organization

- Regional planning organization for Northwest Illinois (est. 1974)
- 6 counties
 - Carroll, Jo Daviess, Lee, Ogle, Stephenson, and Whiteside
- 18-member board
 - 3 reps from each county



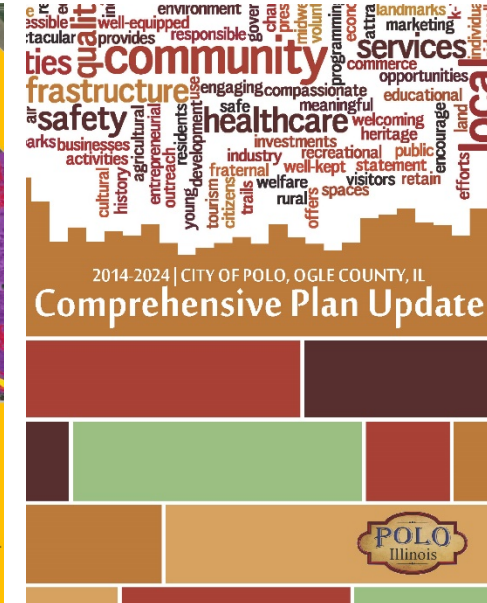
Focus

- Community & Economic Development
- Natural Resources Conservation
- Planning & Technical Assistance
 - Local and Regional



Highlighted Work

- Bi-Annual Summits on Community & Economic Development
 - Next Summit: October 25, 2019
- Comprehensive Planning
- Freight Study
- Hazard Mitigation Planning
- Trails Study
- Water Study
- CEDS (more later)



Resources

- www.blackhawkhills.com/grants
- www.ifiber.org/interactive-map



The screenshot shows the homepage of the Blackhawk Hills Regional Council website. The header features the council's logo, which includes the letters 'bhrc' in a stylized font with a map of the region to the right. Below the logo is the text 'Blackhawk Hills Regional Council'. A navigation bar contains links for Home, Data & Documents, Resources (highlighted), About Us, Proposal Form, News Feed, and Contact.

On the left side, there is a 'CONNECT WITH US!' section with Facebook and YouTube icons, and a 'NEWSLETTER' section with a 'Sign-up here!' link.

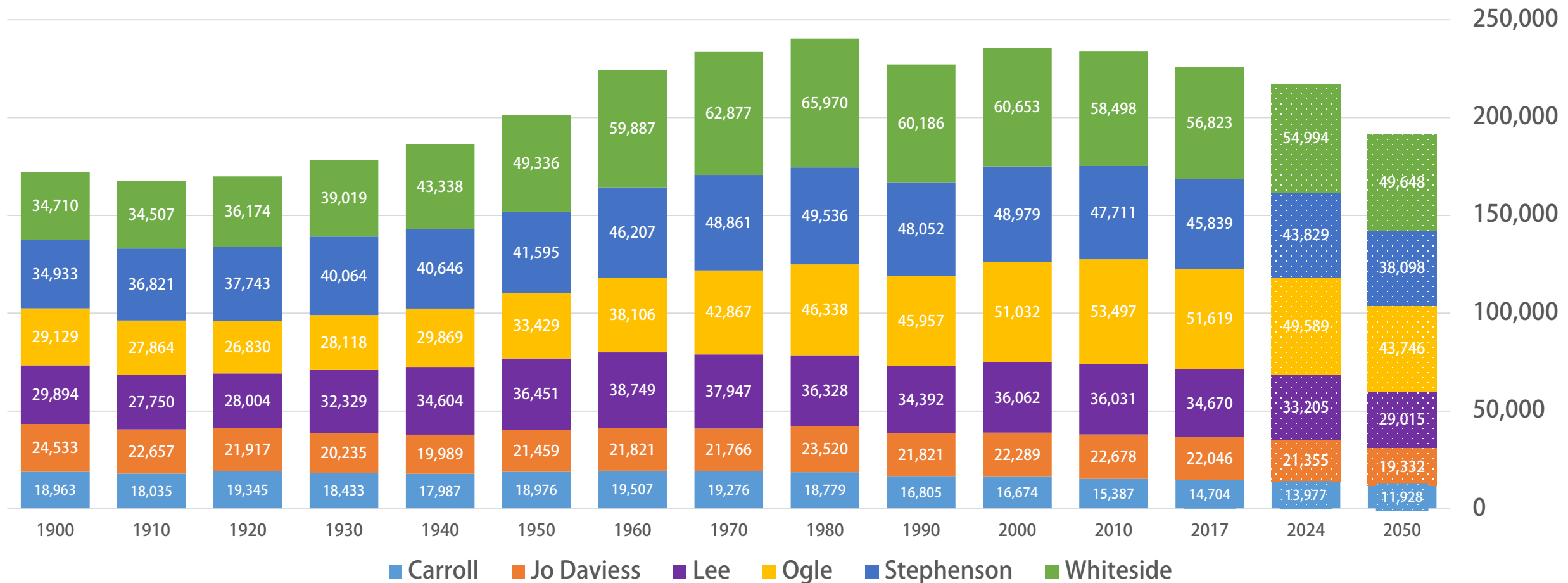
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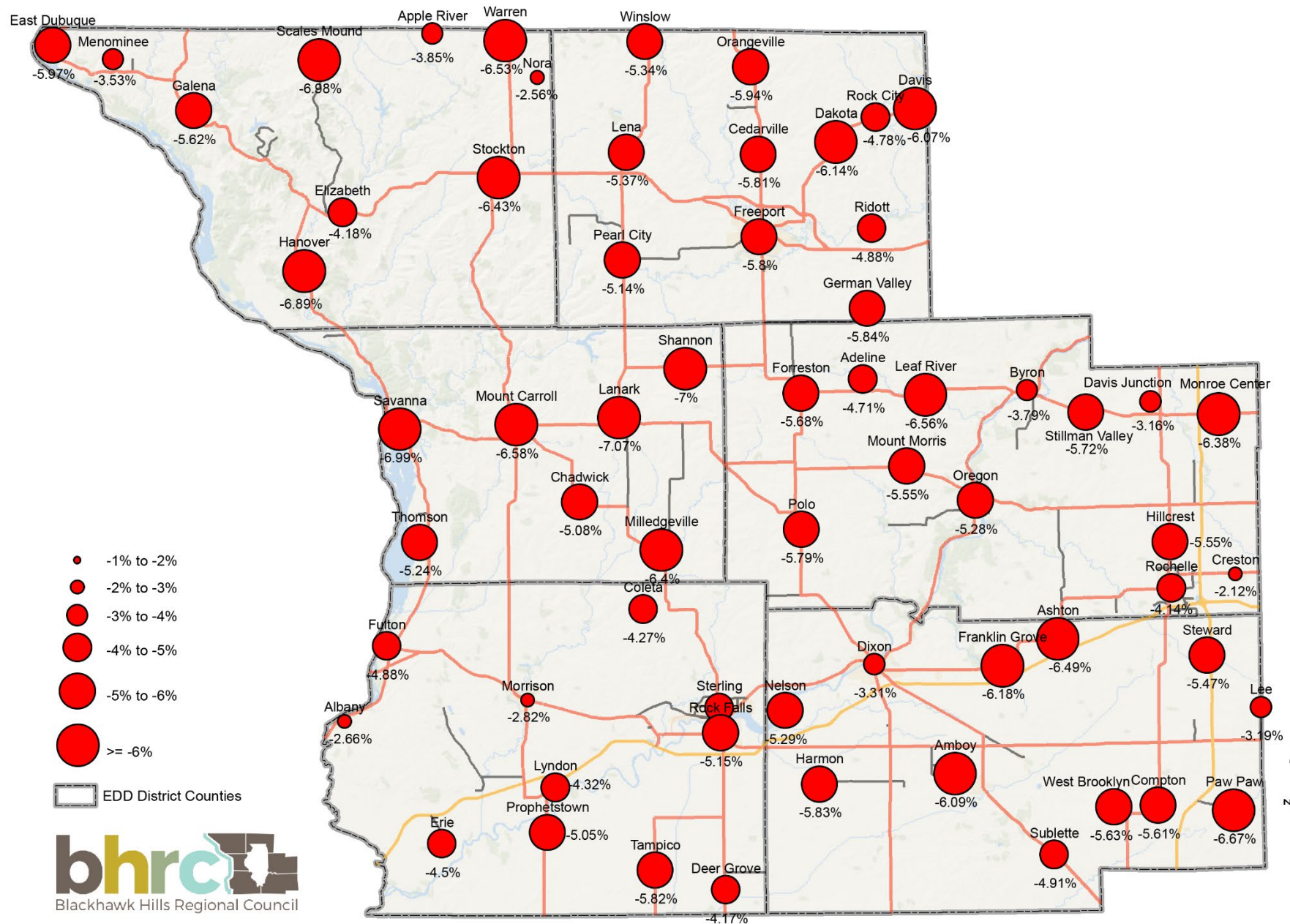
Program	Source	Keywords
Community Grants Program	CFNIL	community
Neighborhood Grants Program	CFNIL	community, neighborhood
Economic Development for a Growing Economy (EDGE)	DCEO	business, incentive, private
Enterprise Zone (EZ)	DCEO	business, incentive, private
Participation Loan Program (PLP)	DCEO	business, private

Local & Regional Data

Population

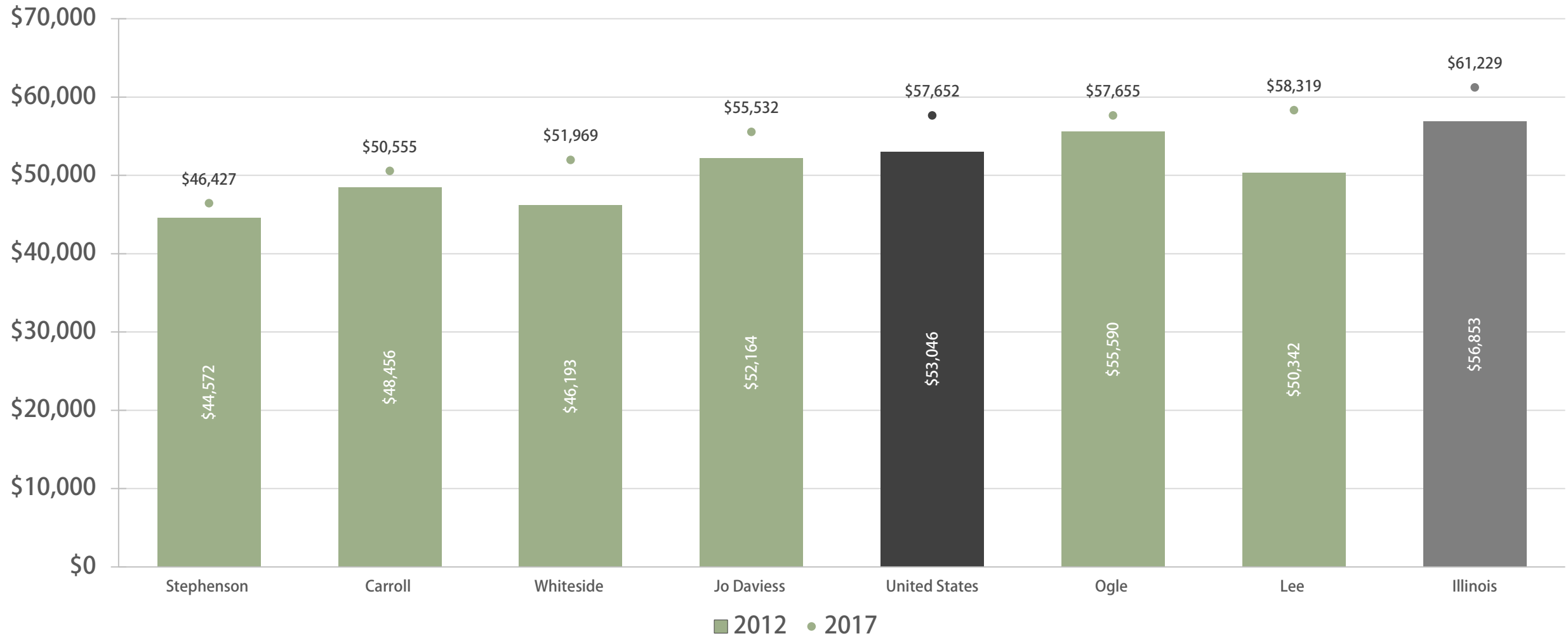
Northwest Illinois - Population: 1900-2017
Projections: 2024, 2050





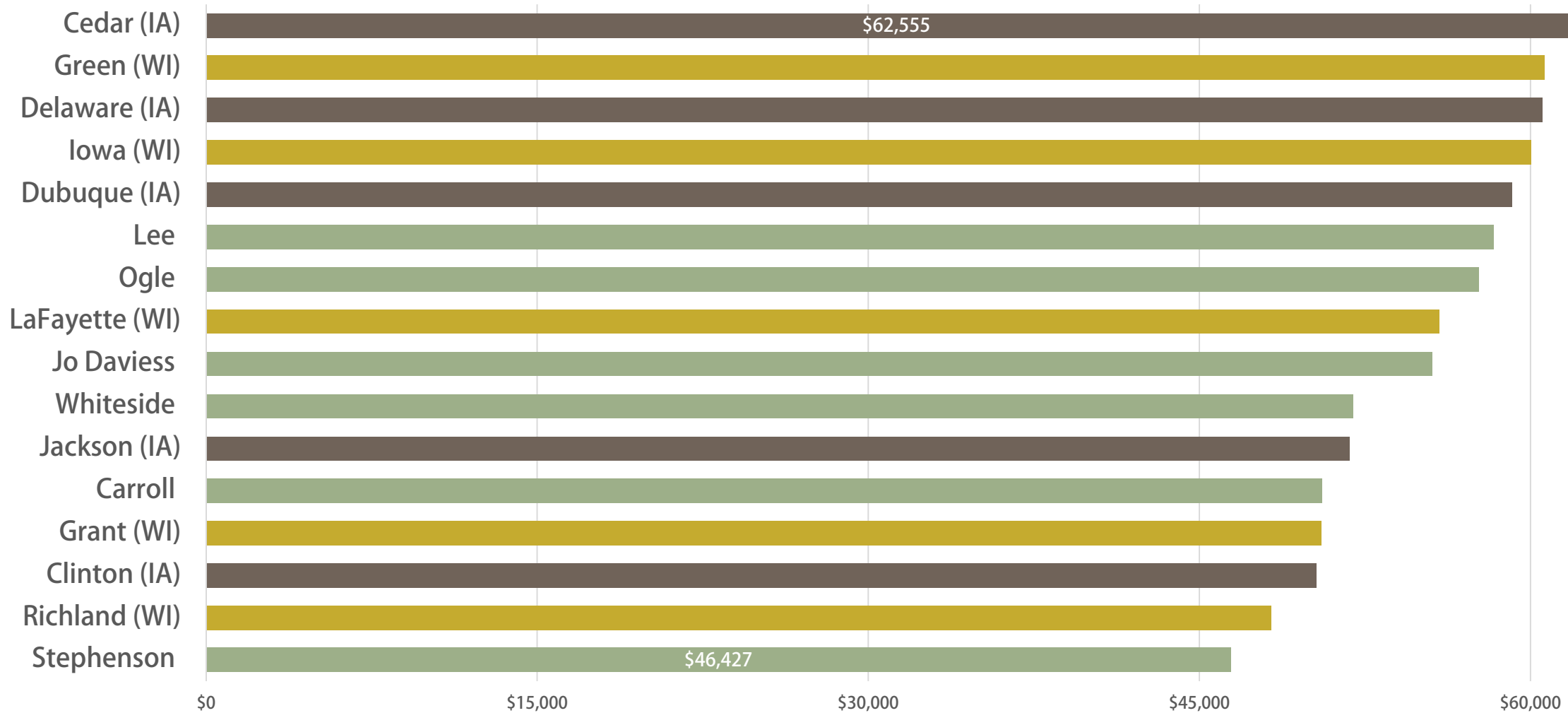
Income

Median Household Income



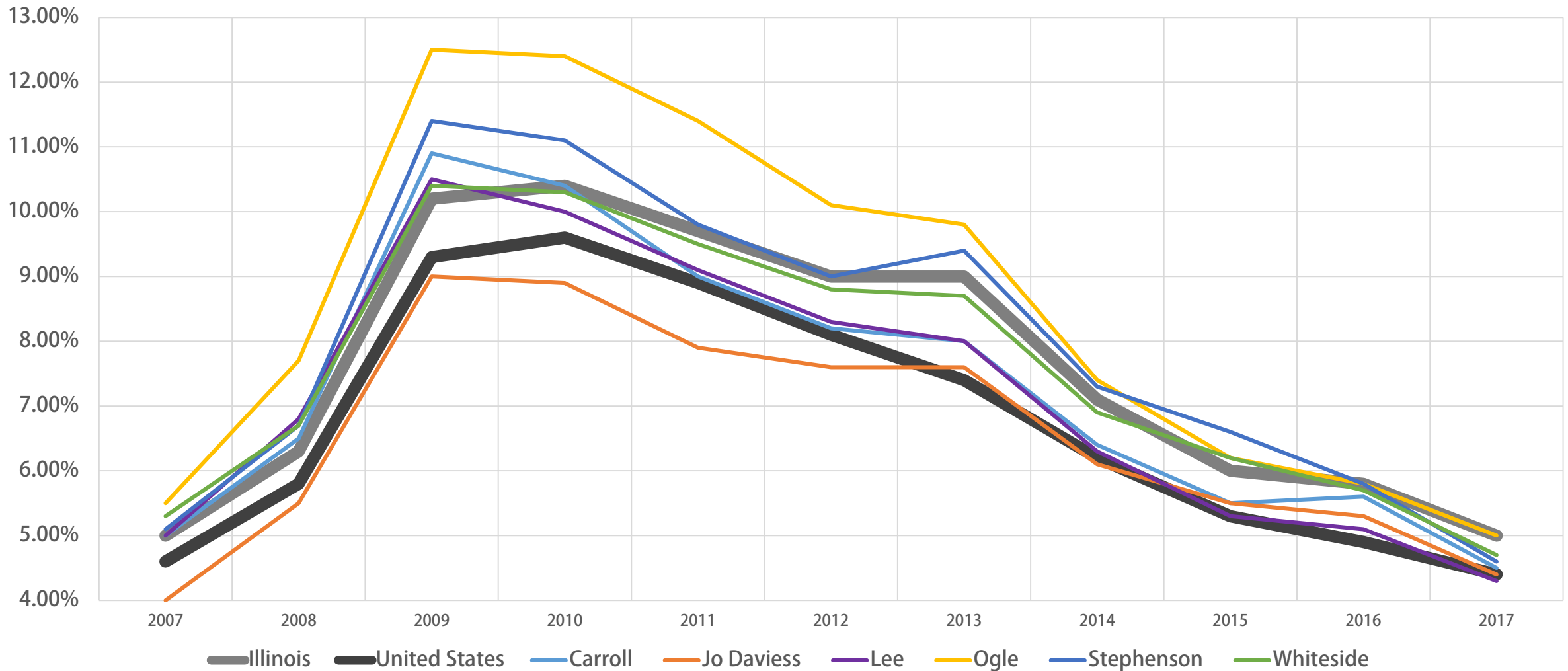
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Median Household Income - Tri-State Comparison (EDD Counties)



Unemployment

Northwest Illinois - Annual Average Unemployment Rate: 2007-2017



Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS)

What is the CEDS?

- The CEDS sets community and economic development goals and objectives for the region
- The CEDS enables access to Economic Development Administration (EDA) funding



Who is involved in the CEDS process?

- As Northwest Illinois' Economic Development District, BHRC is responsible for maintaining & updating our region's CEDS
- We work with the Regional CEDS (RCEDS) Committee, BHRC Board of Directors, and stakeholders across Northwest Illinois to maintain and update the CEDS

2019-2024 Principles & Goals

Principles

Investment
Prioritization...

based on
Planning...

leading to
local and regional
Resiliency...

and Opportunity
for all persons...

Goals

1. Position & promote Northwest Illinois as an interconnected region
2. Preserve, expand, & invest in the workforce
3. Preserve, expand, & diversify the local economy
4. Support & develop initiatives that enrich quality of life for all persons

