

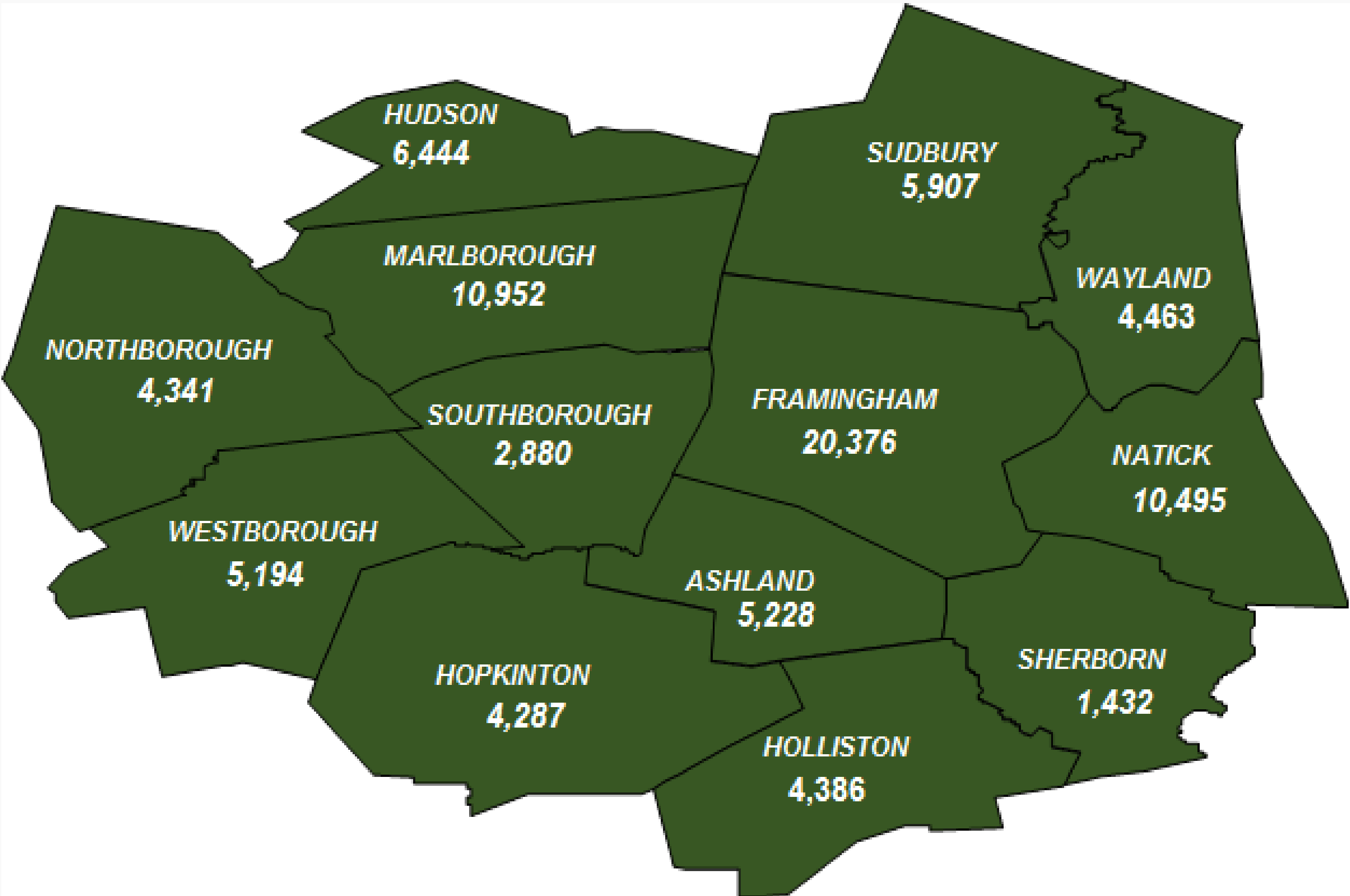
Aging Population in Greater MetroWest: 55 and Older

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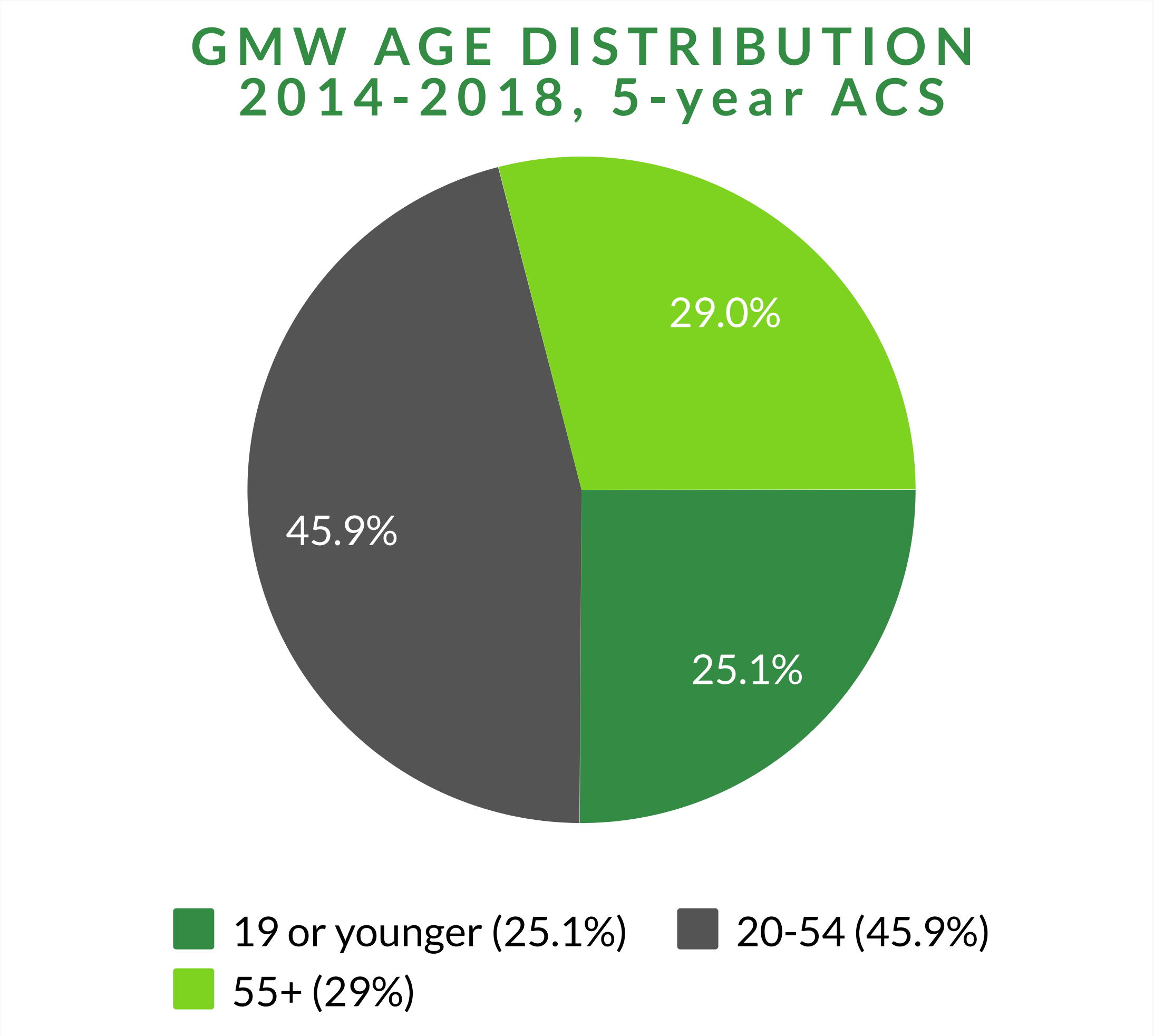
GREATER METROWEST (GMW) REGION:
55+Population by Community

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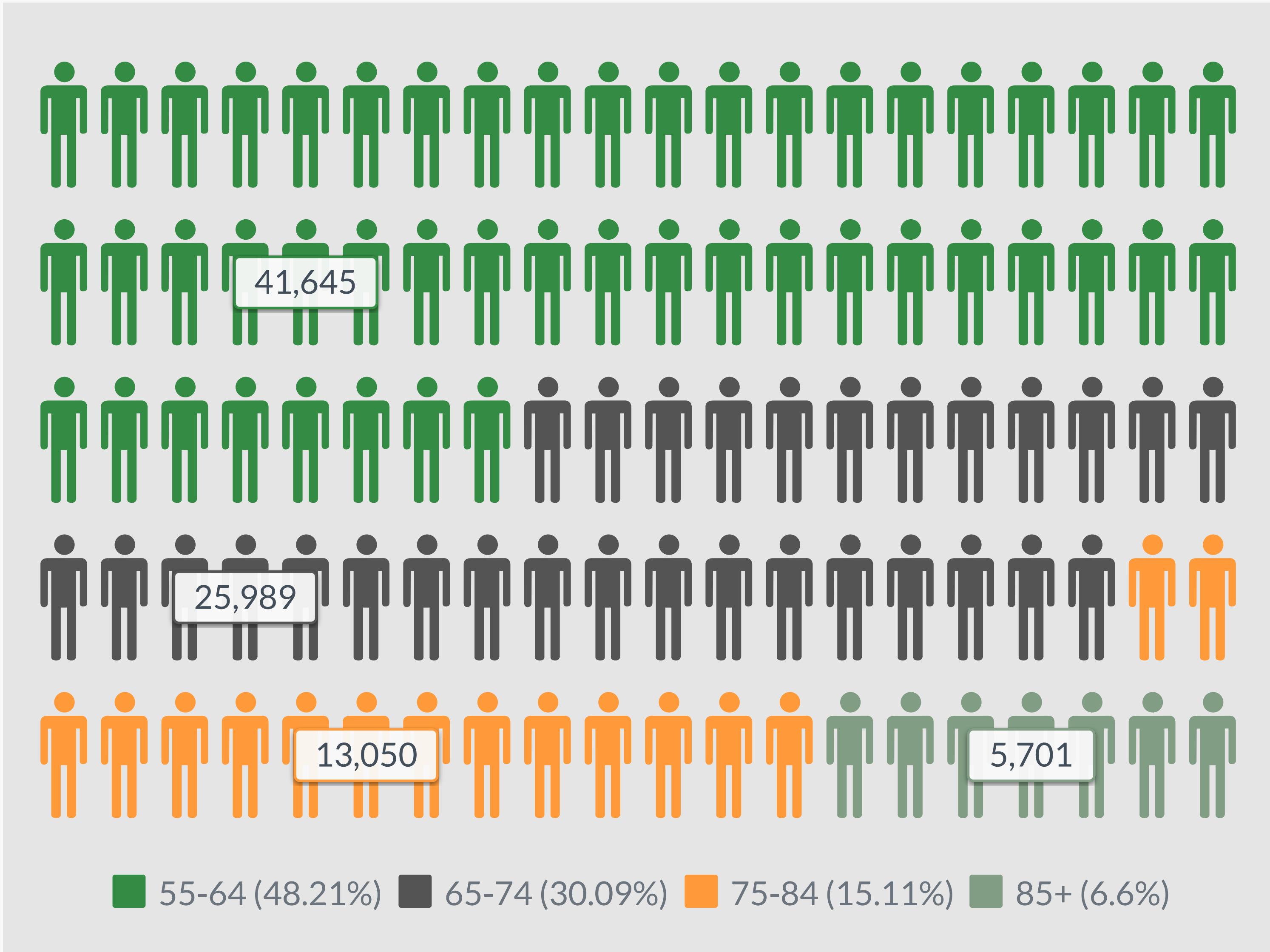


297,766
GMW total population

29.0%
GMW population 55 and older



BREAKDOWN of 55+ Population



Within the 55+ population, almost **50%** are 55-64 years old.

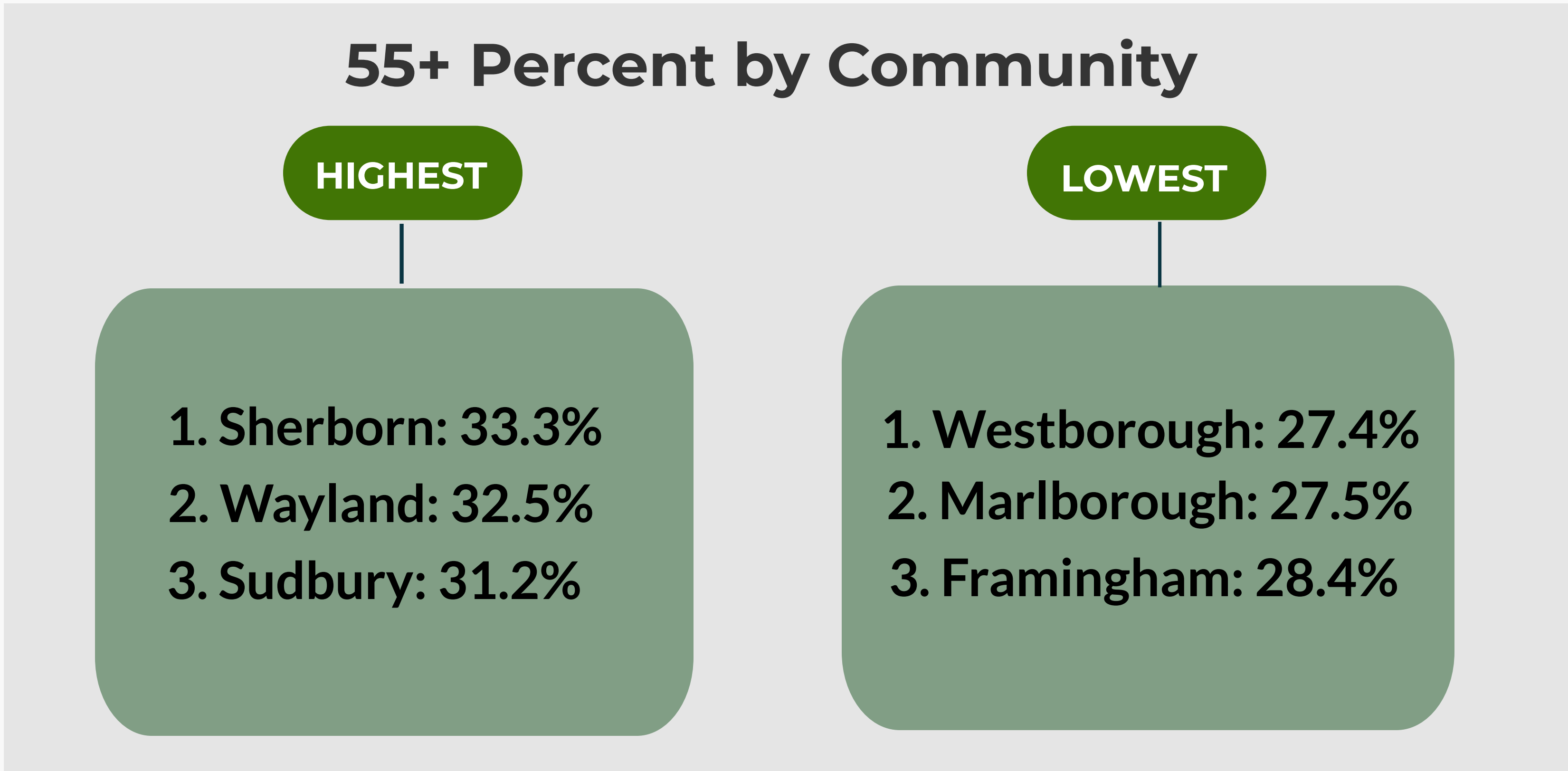
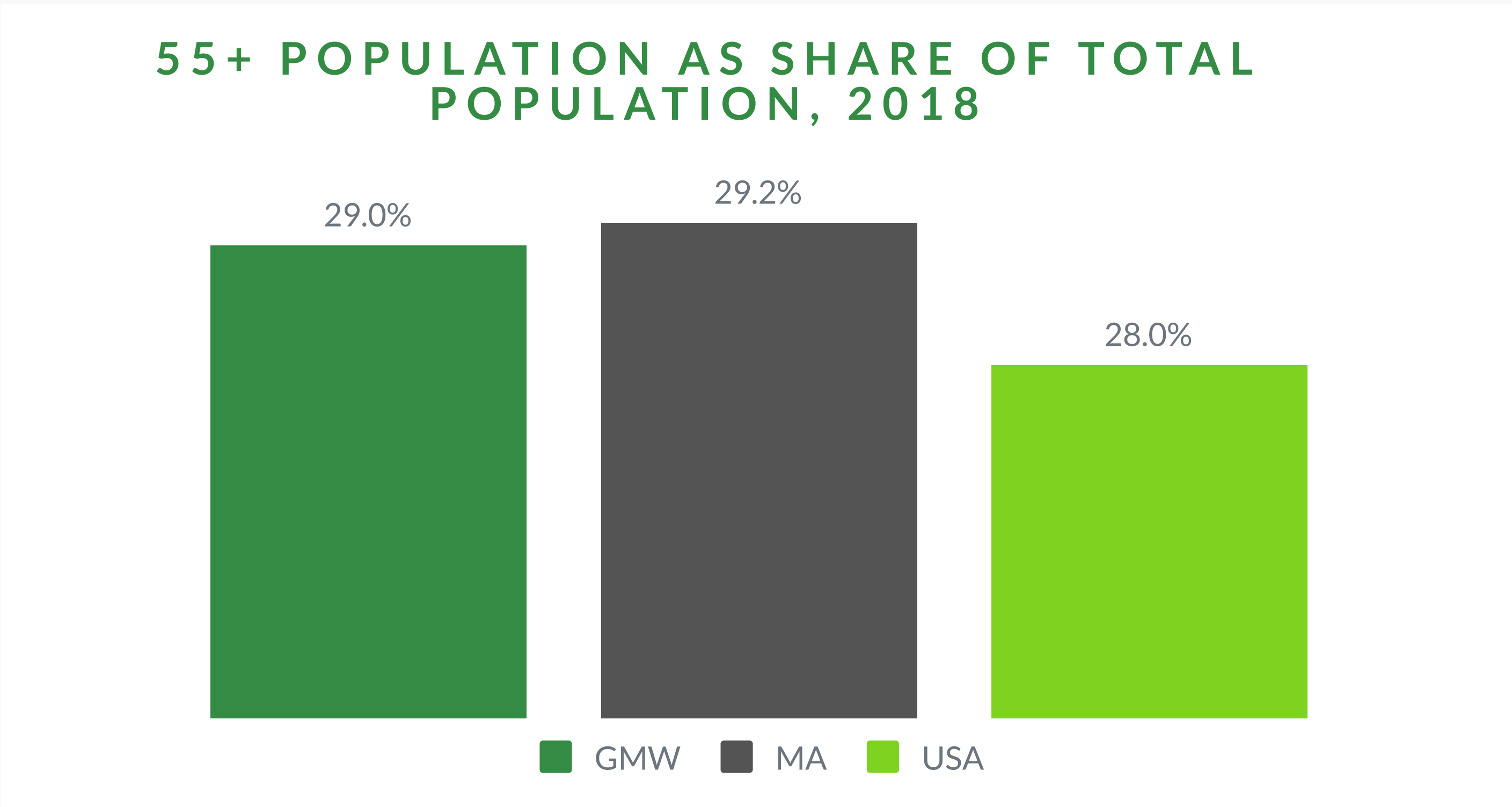
This suggests the majority of people 55+ are nearing typical retirement age

USA has the lowest percent of 55+ at 28.0%

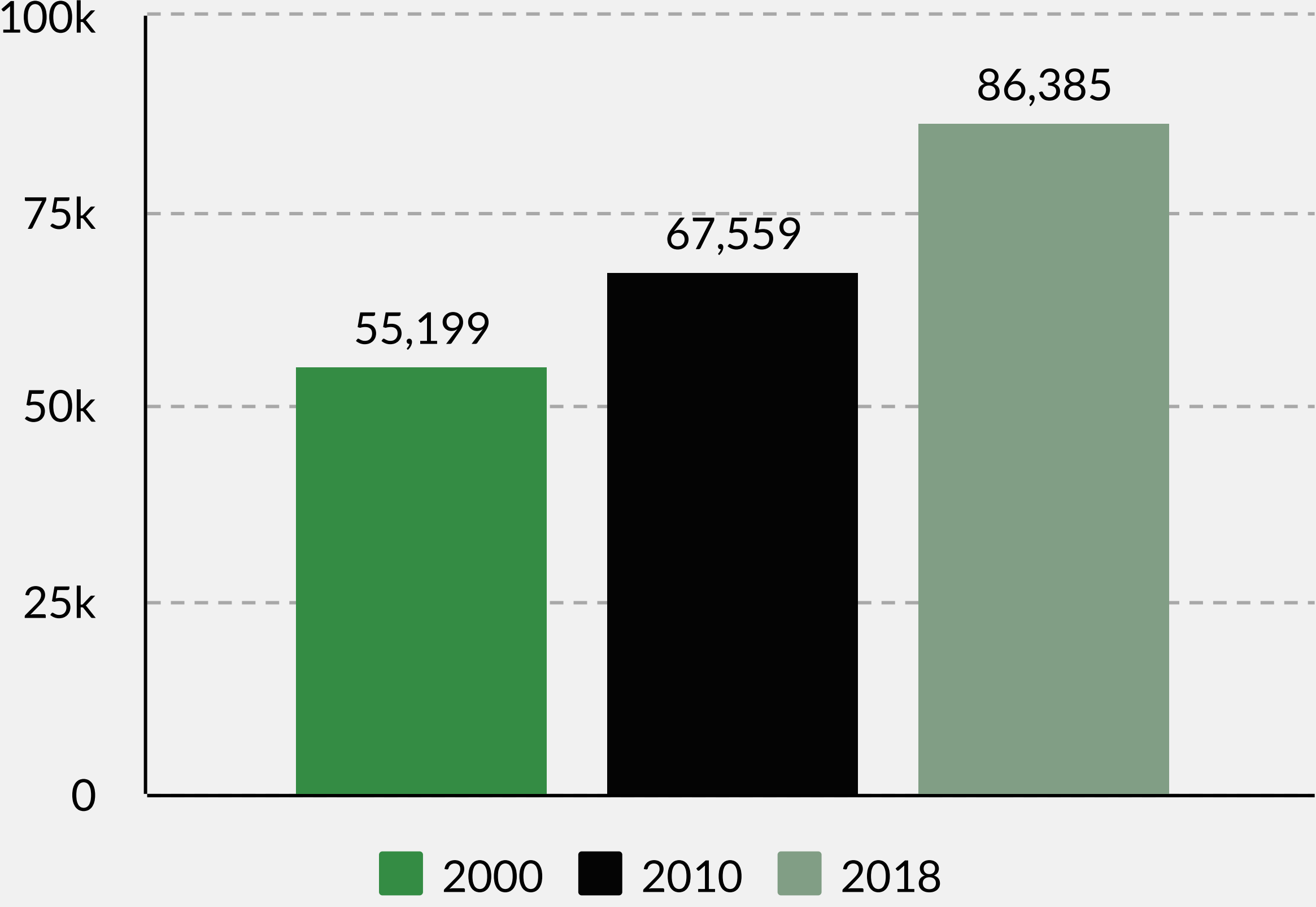
1 percentage point lower than GMW

MA has the highest rate of 55+ at 29.2%

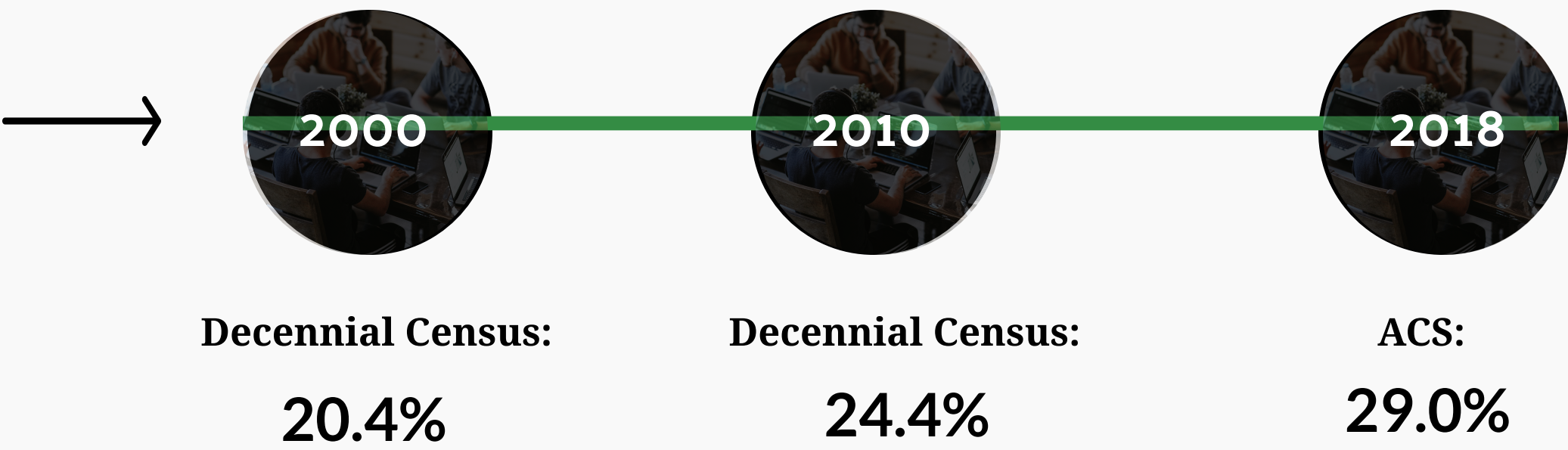
only 0.2 percentage points higher than GMW



GMW 55+ POPULATION
2000-2018



GMW 55+ Shares of Total Population

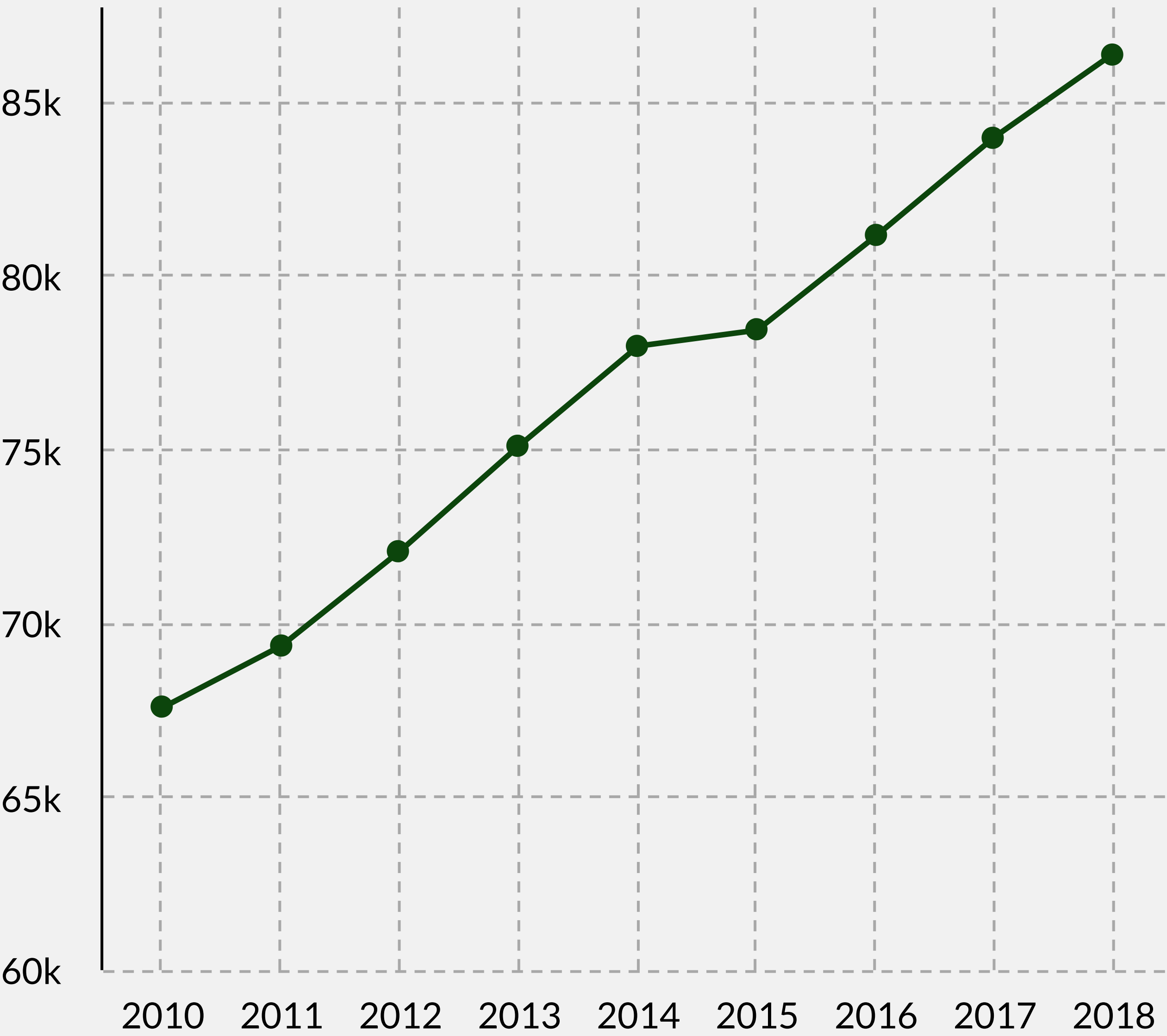


GMW Population 55+ increased by 4.0 percentage points from 2000-2010.

When comparing Census data to 5-year ACS data; GMW Population 55+ increased 4.6 percentage points from 2010-2018.



GMW TOTAL POPULATION 55+
2010-2018



Since 2000, GMW has **consistently** experienced an increasing 55+ population

55+ population increased by **18,826** individuals (**28%**) from 2010 to 2018