



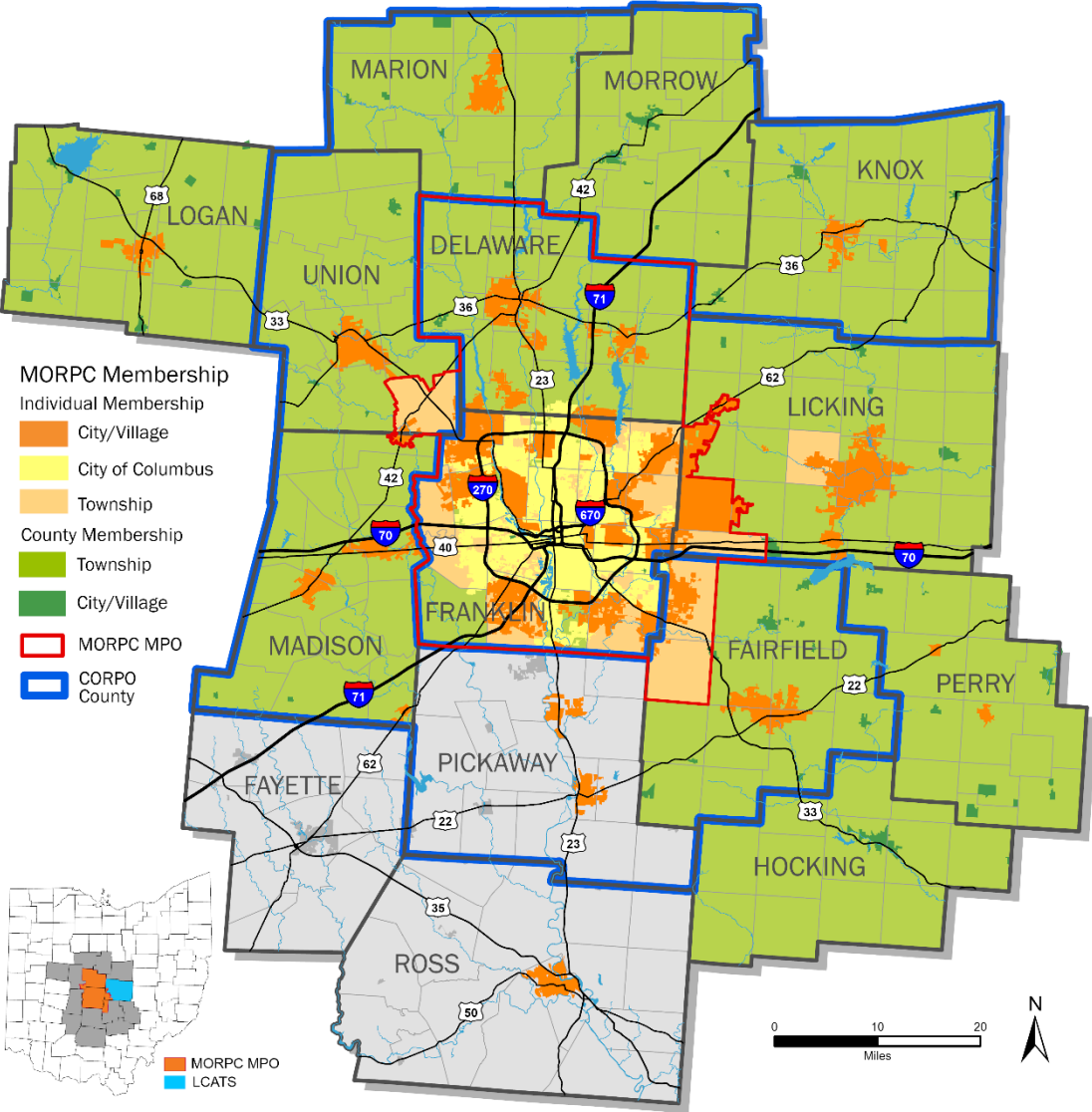
2025 POPULATION ESTIMATES (DRAFT)

Executive Committee
September 4, 2025



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LATEST POPULATION ESTIMATES SHOW STEADY MORPC MEMBER GROWTH



Estimated Population Growth
Since Decennial Census
(Apr 1, 2020 - Jan 1, 2025)

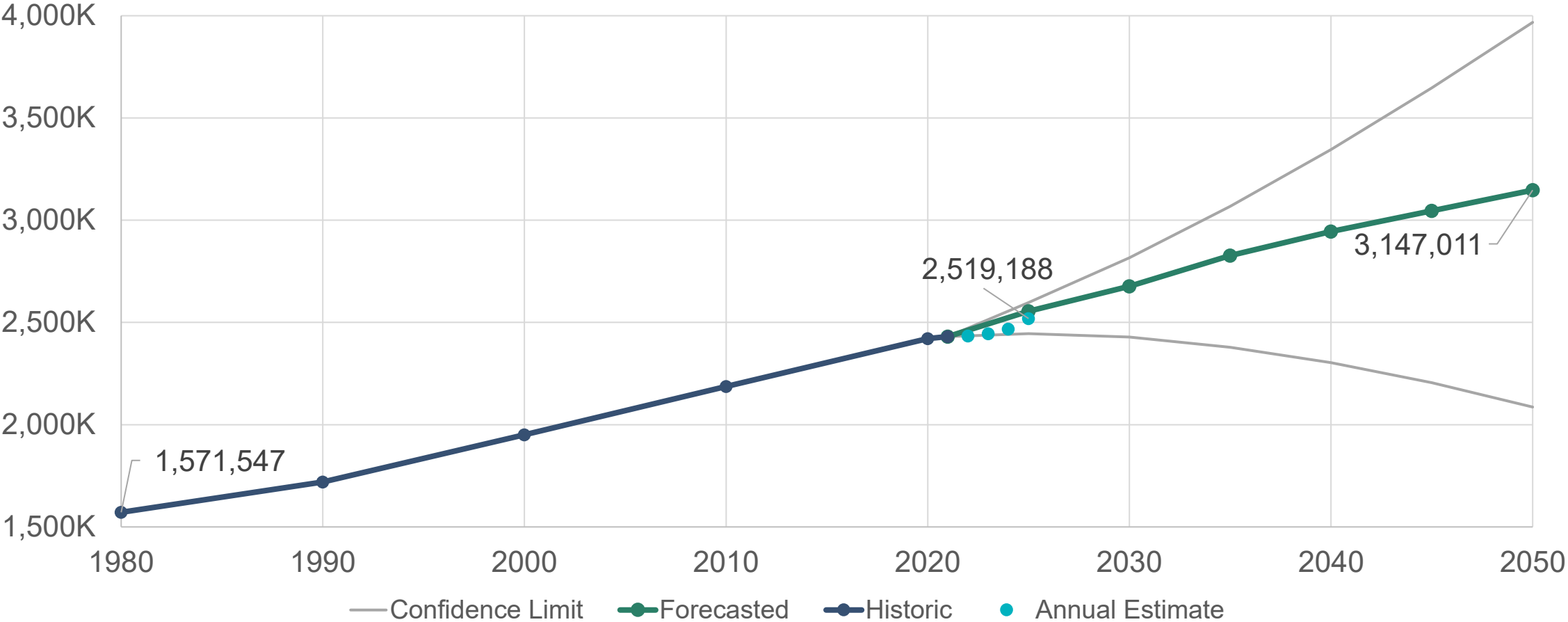
MORPC members
↑ 98.1K

All jurisdictions
↑ 100.0K

ON TRACK FOR 3.15 MILLION PEOPLE BY 2050



Historical and forecasted population, 15-County Region

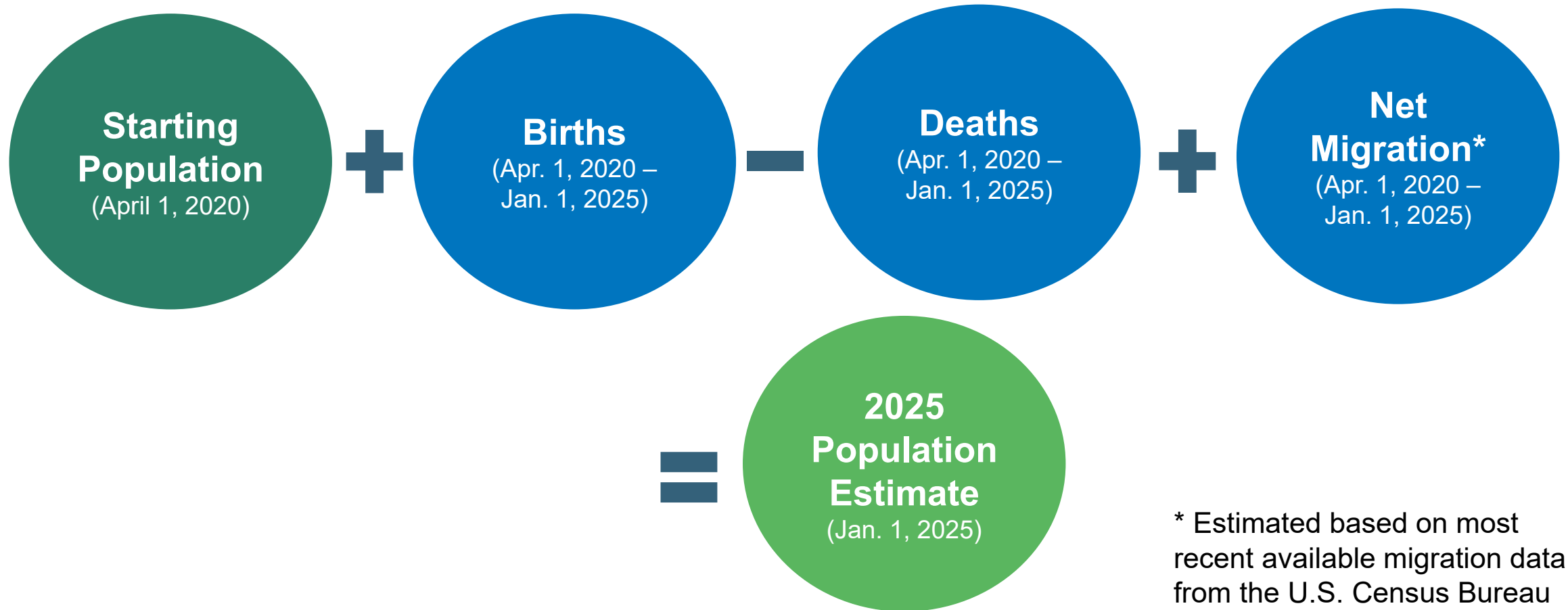


SOURCE: MORPC 2024-2050 County Forecasts, 2020 Census, MORPC 2024 Sub-county Population Estimates

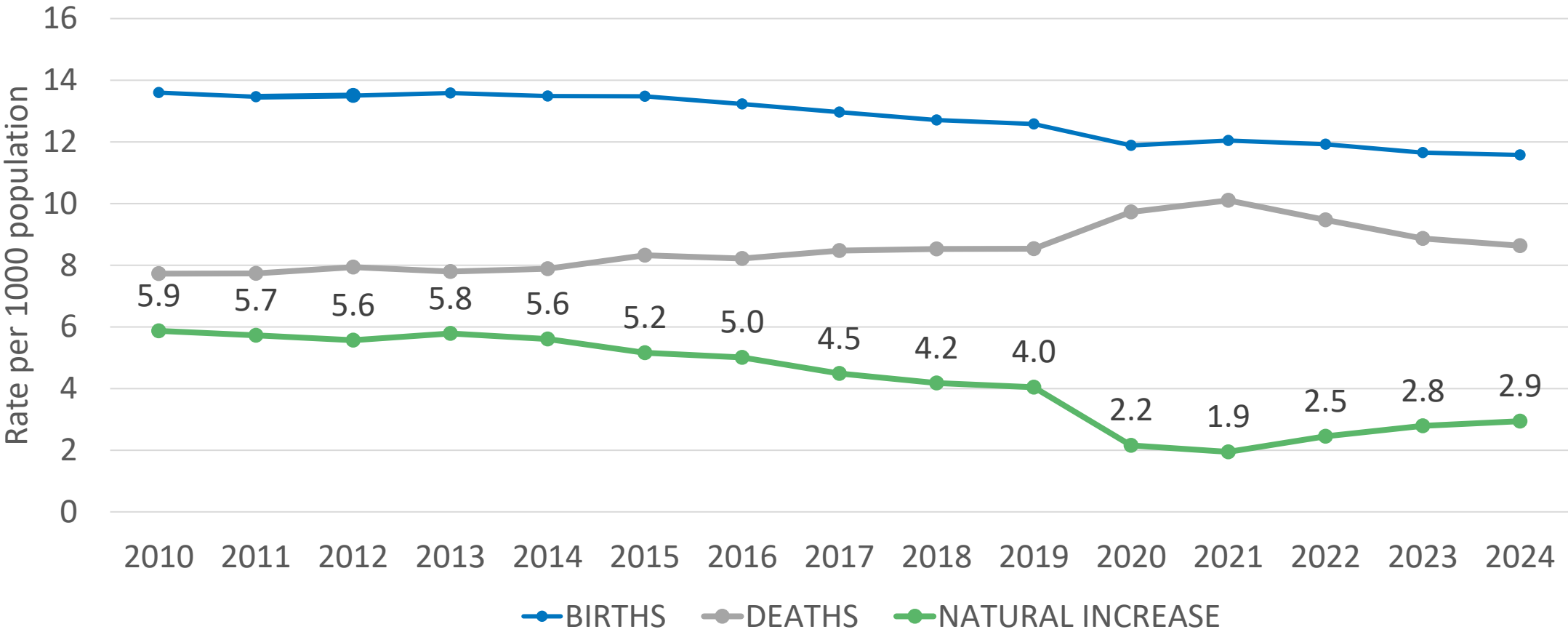
HOW WE ESTIMATE COUNTY POPULATIONS



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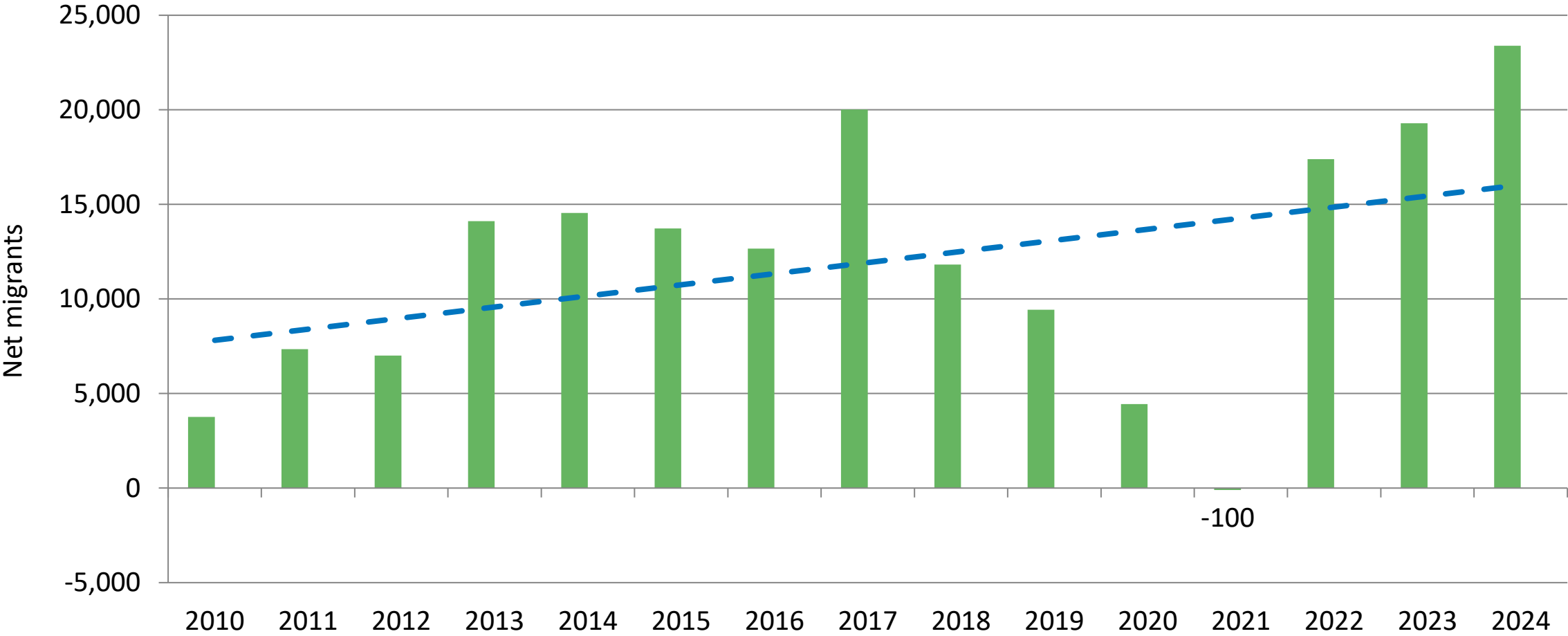


NATURAL INCREASE CONTRIBUTING LESS TO REGIONAL GROWTH THAN IN THE PAST



SOURCE: Ohio Department of Health

MIGRATION IS CONTRIBUTING MORE TO REGIONAL GROWTH THAN IN THE PAST



SOURCE: Census Population Estimate Program, Components of Change

NEW METHOD IN 2025 IMPROVES EFFICIENCY AND REDUCES BIAS



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How?

Leverage accessible & reliable inputs:

- Decennial census population count
- Decennial census housing unit count
- Census address count listing
- County auditors' new address points
- Multiple Listing Service (MLS) new homes

Why?

- More comprehensive snapshot of where people live within each county
- Overcomes shortcomings of relying on single dataset
- Not dependent on data contributions from member communities
- Reduce data collection burden

COMPARED TO LAST YEAR, POPULATION OF MEMBER COMMUNITIES INCREASED 2.1%



- Two new members:
 - Alexandria (pop. 509 in 2025)
 - Marion City (pop. 35,724)
- One member gained a Commission representative:
 - Canal Winchester (pop. 10,288)
- Two members joined MPO:
 - Johnstown (pop. 5,595)
 - Plain City (pop. 4,944)
- One city crossed 50k pop threshold:
 - Dublin (pop. 50,983)
- Two villages are approaching 5k pop threshold to become cities:
 - Ashville (pop. 4,796)
 - Plain City (pop. 4,944)

Year-Over-Year Change

	Last year	This year	Change	% Change
Total regional population	2,468,181	2,519,188	51,007	2.1%
Total member population	2,345,302	2,395,325	50,023	2.1%
Total overall dues	\$1,646,951	\$1,768,950	121,999	7.4%

Dues Rate Change

	2025	2026	% Change
MPO	\$0.665	\$0.690	3.8%
CORPO	\$0.560	\$0.580	3.6%
RPC	\$0.450	\$0.470	4.4%

DRAFT POPULATION ESTIMATES AND DUES ARE AVAILABLE FOR MEMBER REVIEW



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- 2026 Member Dues
- Draft to be presented at September Commission
- Resolution to be introduced for adoption at October Commission
- Consultations to review estimates with MORPC staff available upon request through September 25th



<https://tinyurl.com/2025PopestExec>

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