

2020 CENSUS RESULTS

NEBRASKA STATE TOTALS AND CONGRESSIONAL APPORTIONMENT

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— 2020 DECENNIAL CENSUS IN NEBRASKA —

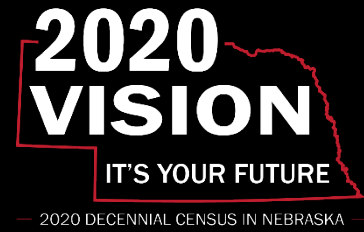
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Presentation Roadmap

1. What was and was not released today
2. Highlights for Nebraska
3. Comparisons over time and to the U.S. or other states
4. Information about future 2020 Census data releases



Today's Release of 2020 Census Data



- Includes:
 - Total population for U.S. and states (resident count)
 - Apportionment count (residents + overseas military/federal employees)
 - Number of seats in U.S. House of Representatives (apportionment)
- Does not include:
 - Any data for local areas (only states, nothing smaller like cities or counties)
 - No data for the redistricting process (coming in August/September)
 - Any demographic data (age, sex, race, etc.)
 - Any socioeconomic data (now collected on American Community Survey)



Highlights from Today's Release

- Nebraska population count for April 1, 2020 is **1,961,504**
 - Now 37th largest state (38th in 2010; we passed West Virginia)
- Nebraska maintains our current 3 seats in U.S. House of Representatives
 - Average district size is 653,835; up from 608,780 in 2010
 - Current boundaries will change per redistricting process this fall
- Nebraska population rose 135,163 or 7.4 percent from 2010
 - Growth rate ranked **21st** among the states
 - Improvement from ranking 30th in the 2000s and 37th in the 1990s



Highlights from Today's Release Continued

- Nebraska's 2010s growth rate of 7.4% is in between recent decades
 - 8.4% in 1990s; 6.7% in 2000s
 - Besides the 1990s, current growth is the highest since the 1910s (100 years)
- Majority of population growth stems from natural change
 - 98,126 more births than deaths in the decade (73% of growth)
- The state experienced a net immigration of 37,037
 - Net immigration for third consecutive decade
 - Change from seven consecutive decades of net outmigration from 1920s to 1980s



About Nebraska's response to the 2020 Census

- Nebraska households returned 2020 Census forms at a very high rate
 - Self response ranked 4th highest at 71.9%
 - With follow-up operations, the Census Bureau states that 99.9% of Nebraska households were enumerated
- Exceeded 2010 self response rate of 71.1%
 - Nebraska ranked 5th highest in 2010
 - Did have a longer time to self-respond in 2020 per COVID delays
 - Had additional mailings prompting self response
 - Leave-behind postcard by door-to-door enumerators prompted households to complete online

Total Self-Responded		
1	Minnesota	75.1%
2	Washington	72.4%
3	Wisconsin	72.2%
4	Nebraska	71.9%
5	Virginia	71.5%
5	Iowa	71.5%
7	Illinois	71.4%
8	Michigan	71.3%
9	Maryland	71.2%
10	Utah	71.0%
United States		67.0%

Comparison of Total Populations and Changes: Nebraska vs. the U.S. | 1950 to 2020

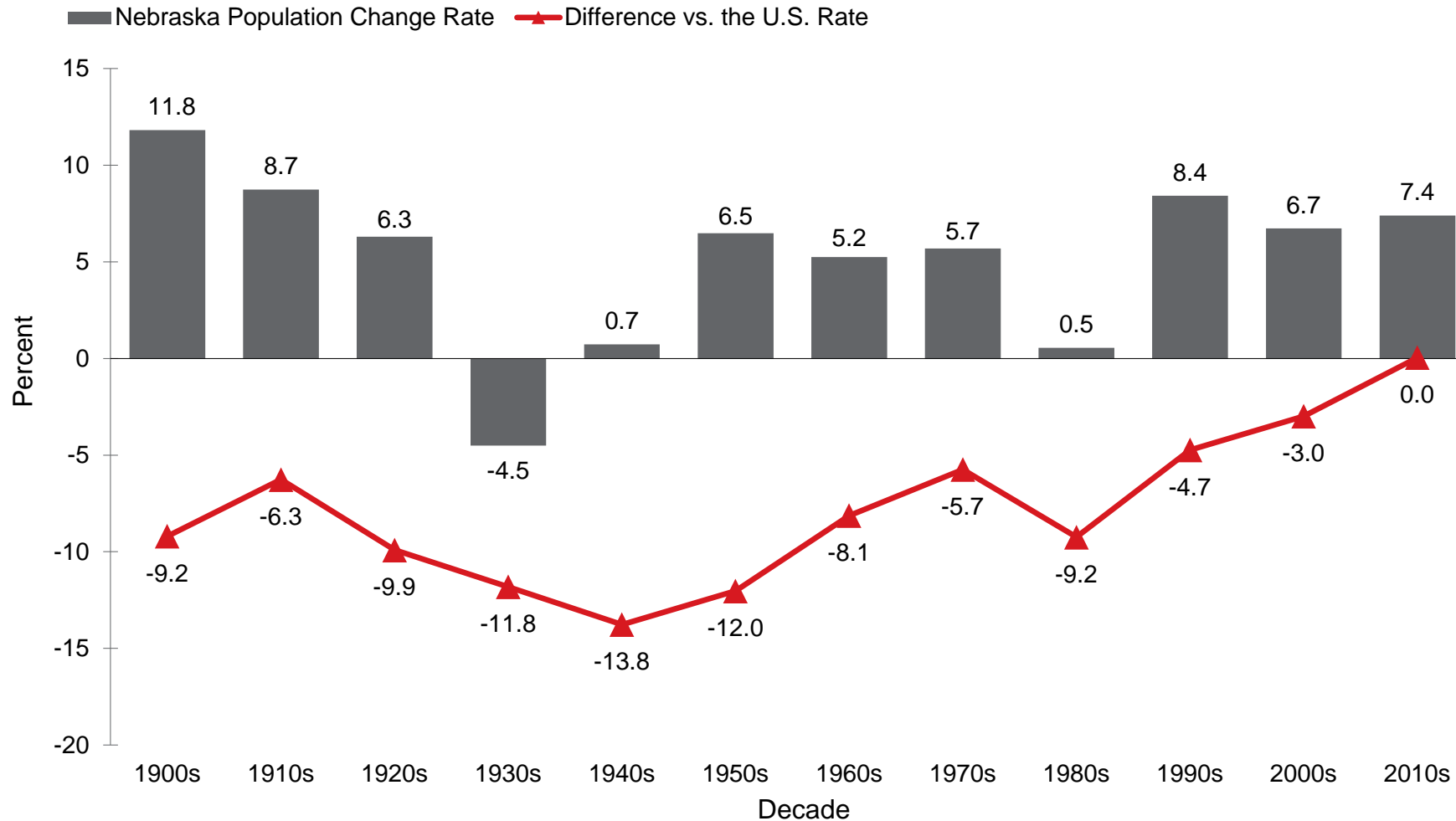


Year	Total Population	
	U.S.	Nebraska
1950	151,325,798	1,325,510
1960	179,323,175	1,411,330
1970	203,302,031	1,485,333
1980	226,542,199	1,569,825
1990	248,718,302	1,578,417
2000	281,424,603	1,711,265
2010	308,746,065	1,826,341
2020	331,449,281	1,961,504

Decade	Decade Change		Decade Percent Change		
	U.S.	Nebraska	U.S.	Nebraska	Difference
1950s	27,997,377	85,820	18.5%	6.5%	-12.0%
1960s	23,978,856	74,003	13.4%	5.2%	-8.1%
1970s	23,240,168	84,492	11.4%	5.7%	-5.7%
1980s	22,176,103	8,592	9.8%	0.5%	-9.2%
1990s	32,706,301	132,848	13.1%	8.4%	-4.7%
2000s	27,321,462	115,076	9.7%	6.7%	-3.0%
2010s	22,703,216	135,163	7.4%	7.4%	0.0%

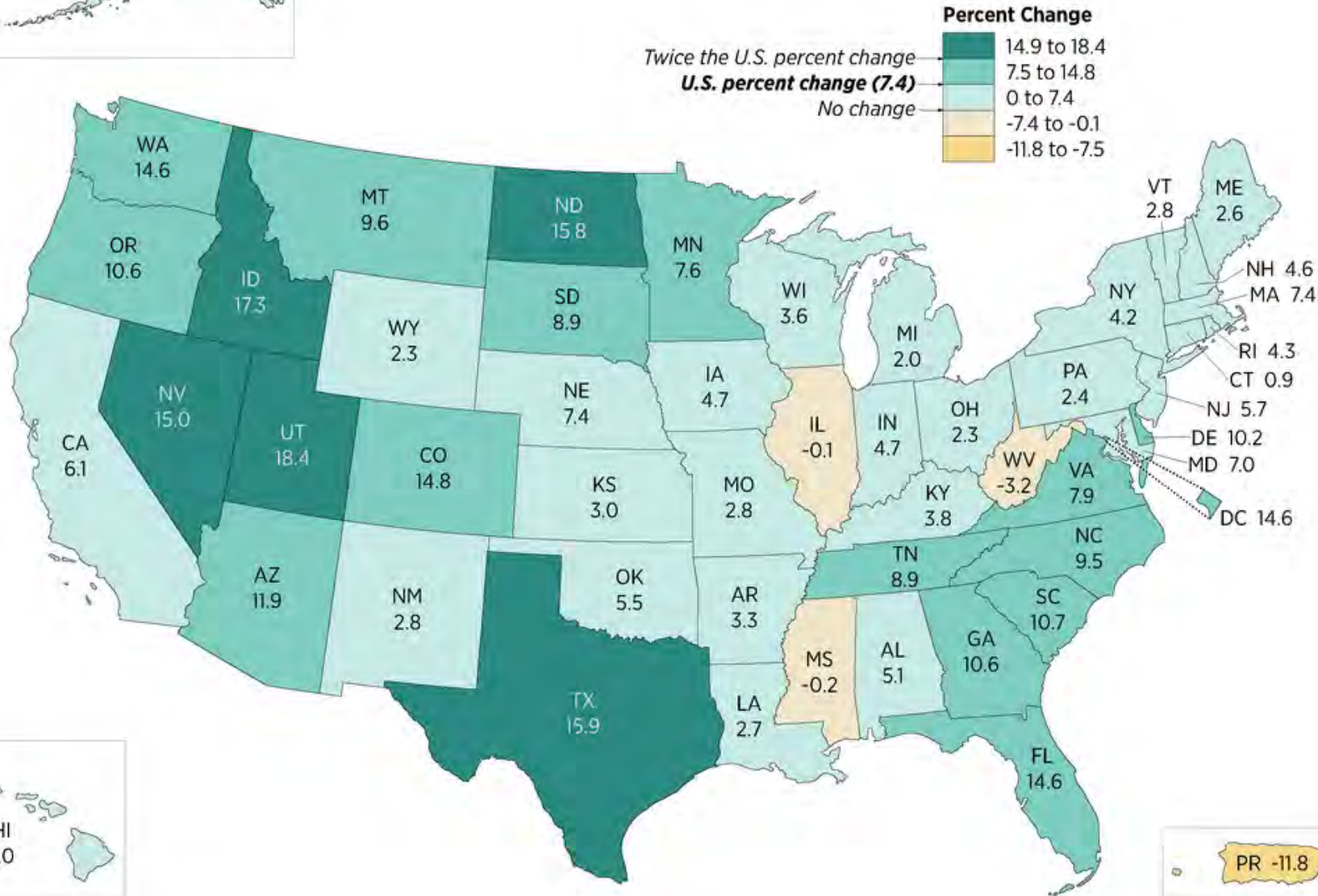
Nebraska population growth has been steady and now equals the U.S. average

Nebraska decade population change rates with comparison to the U.S. | 1900s to 2010s



Nebraska has consistently trailed the U.S. growth rate, but was able to equal it for the best performance since 1900.

Percent Change in Resident Population for the 50 States, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico: 2010 to 2020



State	Resident Population Change		Rank
	Number	Percent	
Utah	507,731	18.4%	1
Idaho	271,524	17.3%	2
Texas	3,999,944	15.9%	3
North Dakota	106,503	15.8%	4
Nevada	404,063	15.0%	5
Colorado	744,518	14.8%	6
District of Columbia	87,822	14.6%	7
Washington	980,741	14.6%	8
Florida	2,736,877	14.6%	9
Arizona	759,485	11.9%	10
South Carolina	493,061	10.7%	11
Oregon	406,182	10.6%	12
Georgia	1,024,255	10.6%	13
Delaware	92,014	10.2%	14
Montana	94,810	9.6%	15
North Carolina	903,905	9.5%	16
South Dakota	72,487	8.9%	17
Tennessee	564,735	8.9%	18
Virginia	630,369	7.9%	19
Minnesota	402,569	7.6%	20
Nebraska	135,163	7.4%	21
Massachusetts	482,288	7.4%	22
Maryland	403,672	7.0%	23
Hawaii	94,970	7.0%	24
California	2,284,267	6.1%	25

Source:

<https://www.census.gov/library/visualizations/2021/dec/2020-percent-change-map.html> accessed 4-26-2021

Nebraska's "priority ranking" in the apportionment calculation is nearing the 435 cutoff
Comparison of apportionment ranking position and changes for Nebraska's last seat | 1960 to 2020



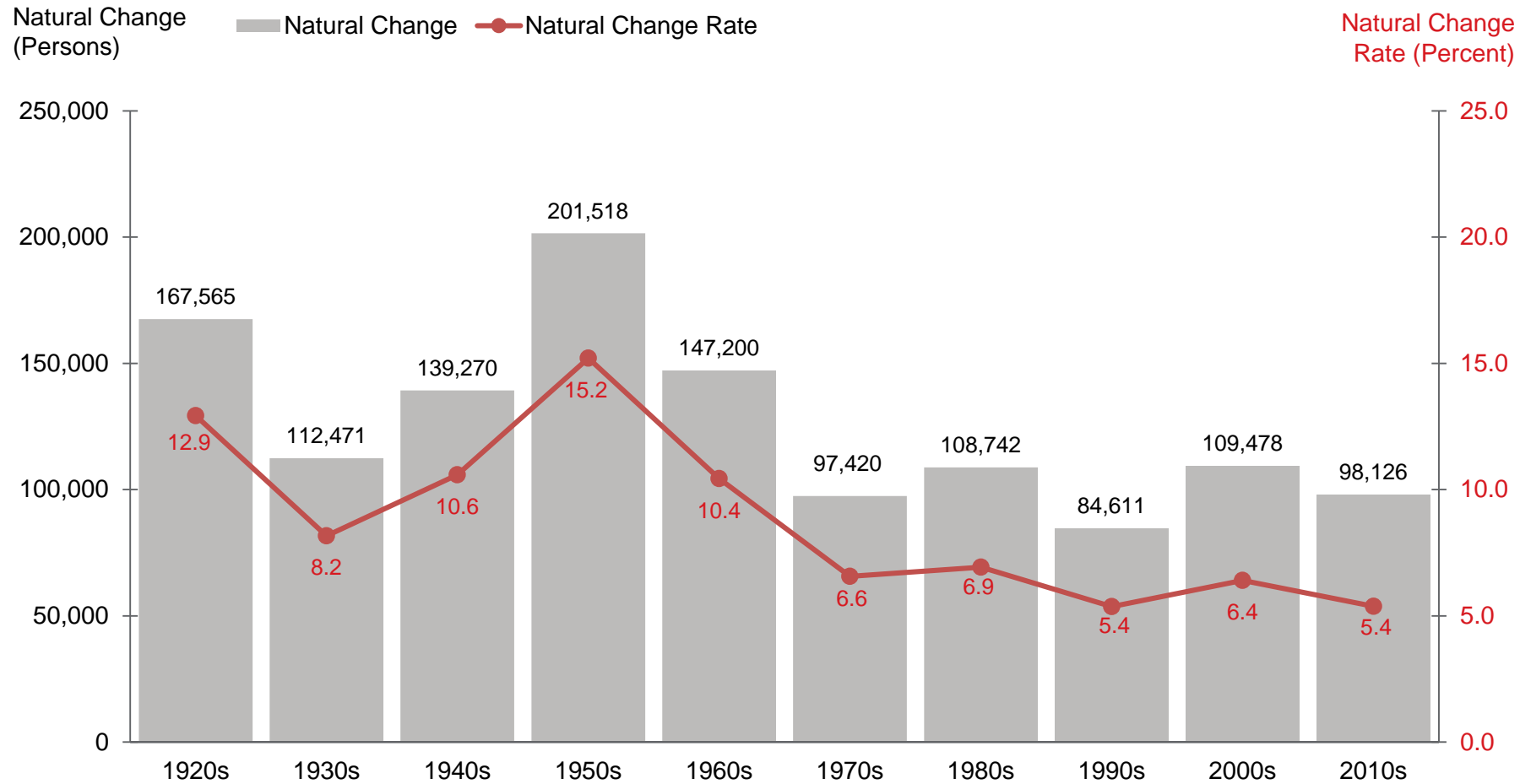
Year	Nebraska 3rd Seat Priority Ranking	Distance from #435	Change during Decade
1960	316	119	n/a
1970	337	98	-21
1980	358	77	-21
1990	388	47	-30
2000	405	30	-17
2010	417	18	-12
2020	415	20	2

A lot can change, but Nebraska is in good position to keep all three seats in the next census in 2030.

2030 ?? Losing a seat possible but not likely

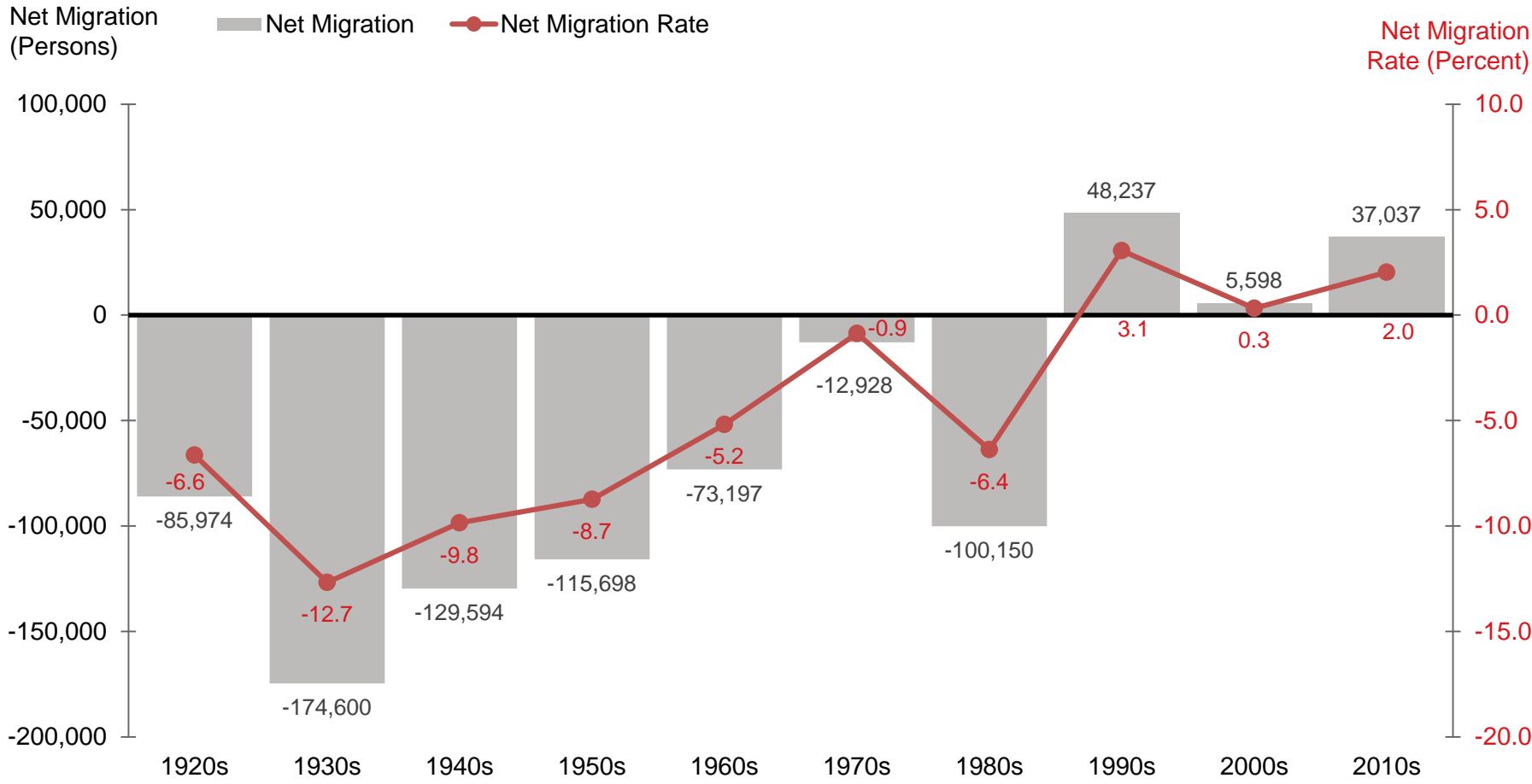
Natural change is the main drive of Nebraska's population growth, but the rate has slowed

Natural change (births minus deaths) and natural change rate for Nebraska | 1920s to 2010s



Nebraska's net migration has improved over time with net gains the last three decades

Net migration and net migration rate for Nebraska | 1920s to 2010s



The outmigration trend has changed to net immigration in recent decades.

Timeline for Future Census Data Releases



- Redistricting dataset
 - Local counts for cities and counties, including for individual blocks
 - Six main tables including race/ethnicity and over/under age 18
 - Expected to be released in raw form in **mid August 2021 (possibly Aug. 16)**
 - More useable software/DVD format by end of September 2021
 - Local population trends and redistricting discussed on Aug. 26: cpar.unomaha.edu/conference
 - Application of **additional disclosure avoidance measures** expected
- American Community Survey socioeconomic data
 - 2020 calendar year estimates released Sep. 23, 2021: areas with 65,000+ people
 - 2016-2020 five-year aggregate released Dec. 9, 2021: all geographies

Timeline for Future Census Data Releases Continued

- 2020 Census Demographic Profile: expected by Dec. 31, 2021
 - Most commonly used statistics: age groups by sex, household type, home ownership
- Detailed data (Summary File 1): expected early 2022
 - Cross tabulations such as age by sex for specific race groups
 - Specific race/ancestry (e.g. Burmese; first decennial data for Sudanese, Somali, etc.)
- July 1, 2021 state population estimates: by Dec. 31, 2021
 - First look at figures beyond the April 1, 2020 Census counts
 - Will be basis for showing pandemic-related changes (e.g. migration)



2020 Census State Population Counts and Apportionment Data Release

Q&A

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