

THE MANY FACES OF SOUTH DAKOTA: COMMUNITY DEMOGRAPHICS IN THE PAST AND PRESENT

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OUTLINE

South Dakota Demographic Overview

Population Growth by Time and Space

Many Faces – Foreign-Born Populations in the state

- Historical and Contemporary Trends
- Changing Demographics
- Geographic Distribution

DEMOGRAPHIC OVERVIEW*

State population: 919,318, about half residing in Sioux Falls and Rapid City metropolitan areas.

Age and sex structure: 49.1% female, 23.8% under 18, and 18.4% aged 65 and over, median age of 38.5

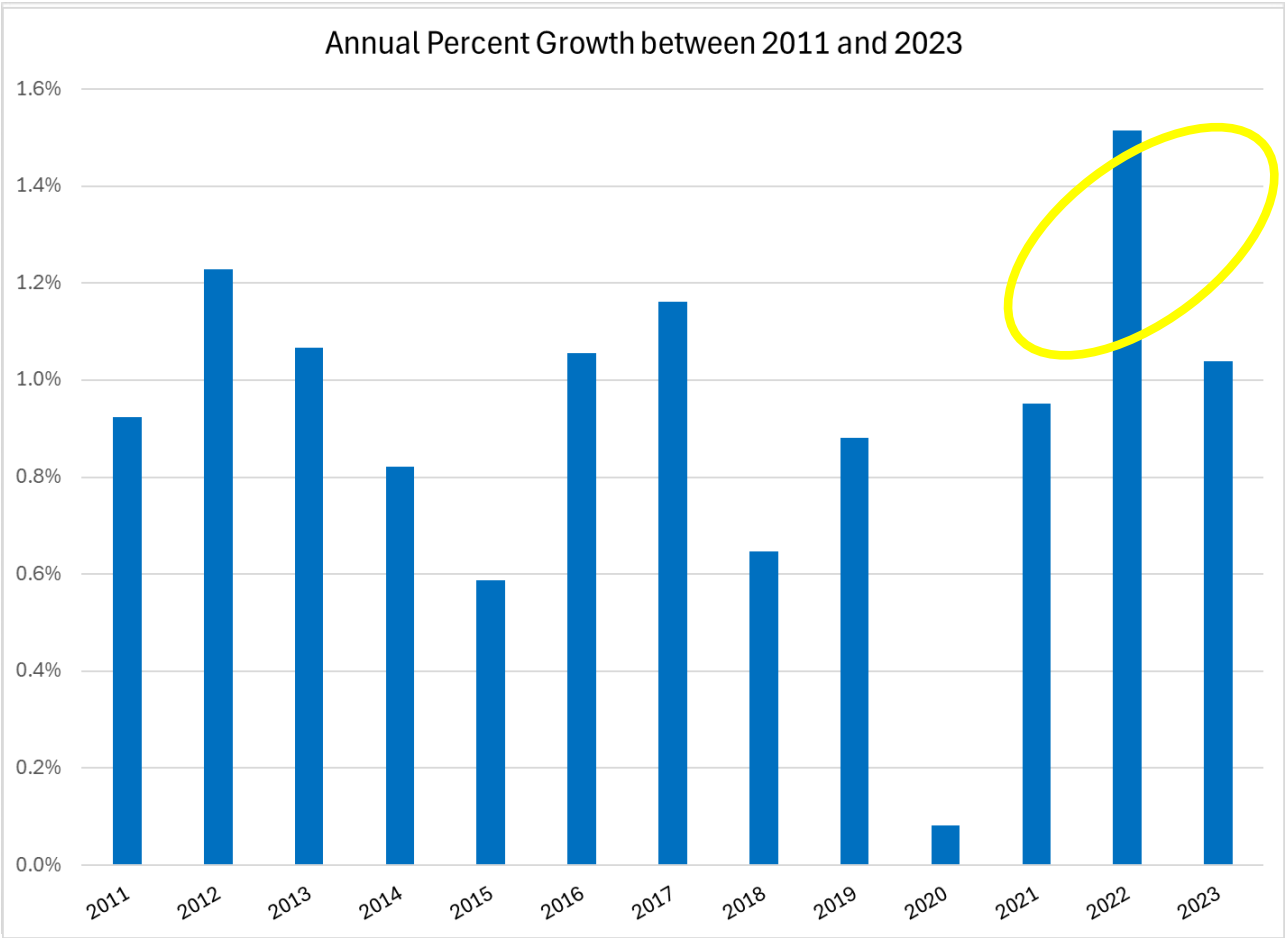
Racial and ethnic composition: 79.4% non-Hispanic Whites, 7.3% non-Hispanic AIANs**, 2.3% non-Hispanic Blacks, 1.5% non-Hispanic Asians, and 5.1% Hispanics/Latinos.

Nativity status: 4.3% foreign-born; approximately, half of the foreign-born population were not U.S. citizen.

*Data are pulled from the 2023 American Community Survey 1-year estimates published by the U.S. Census Bureau in September 2024.

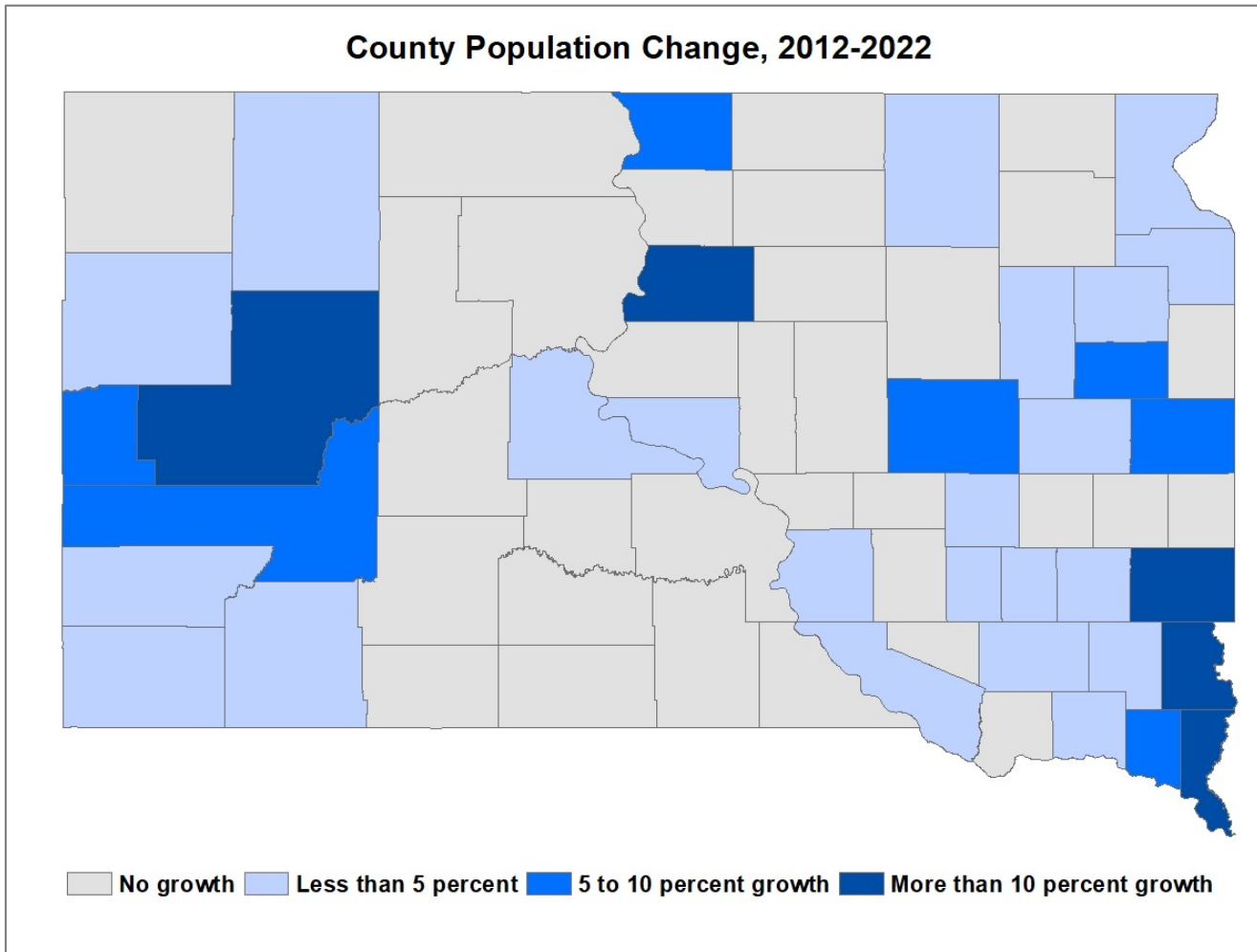
** AIAN: American Indian and Alaska Native

POPULATION GROWTH IN THE CONTEXT



Data source: U.S. Census Bureau, *Annual Economic Census Survey* (years from 1966 to 1980 are for the Dakota Territory and include North Dakota).

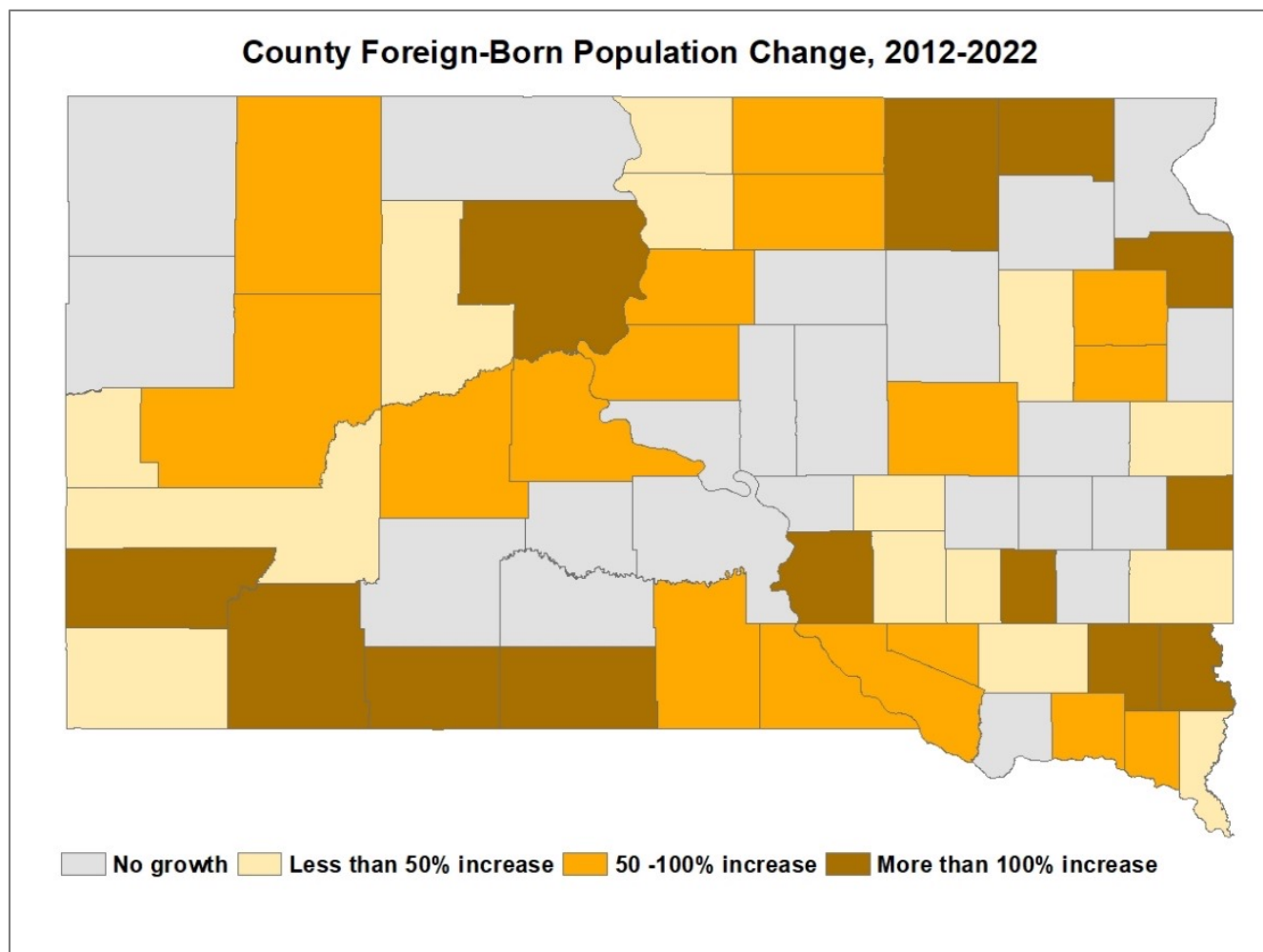
POPULATION GROWTH BY COUNTY



Uneven Growth:
between 2012 and
2022, **34** counties
had population
growth, and **5**
counties had
population growth
greater than 10%.

Data source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2012 and 2022 American Community Survey 5-year estimates.

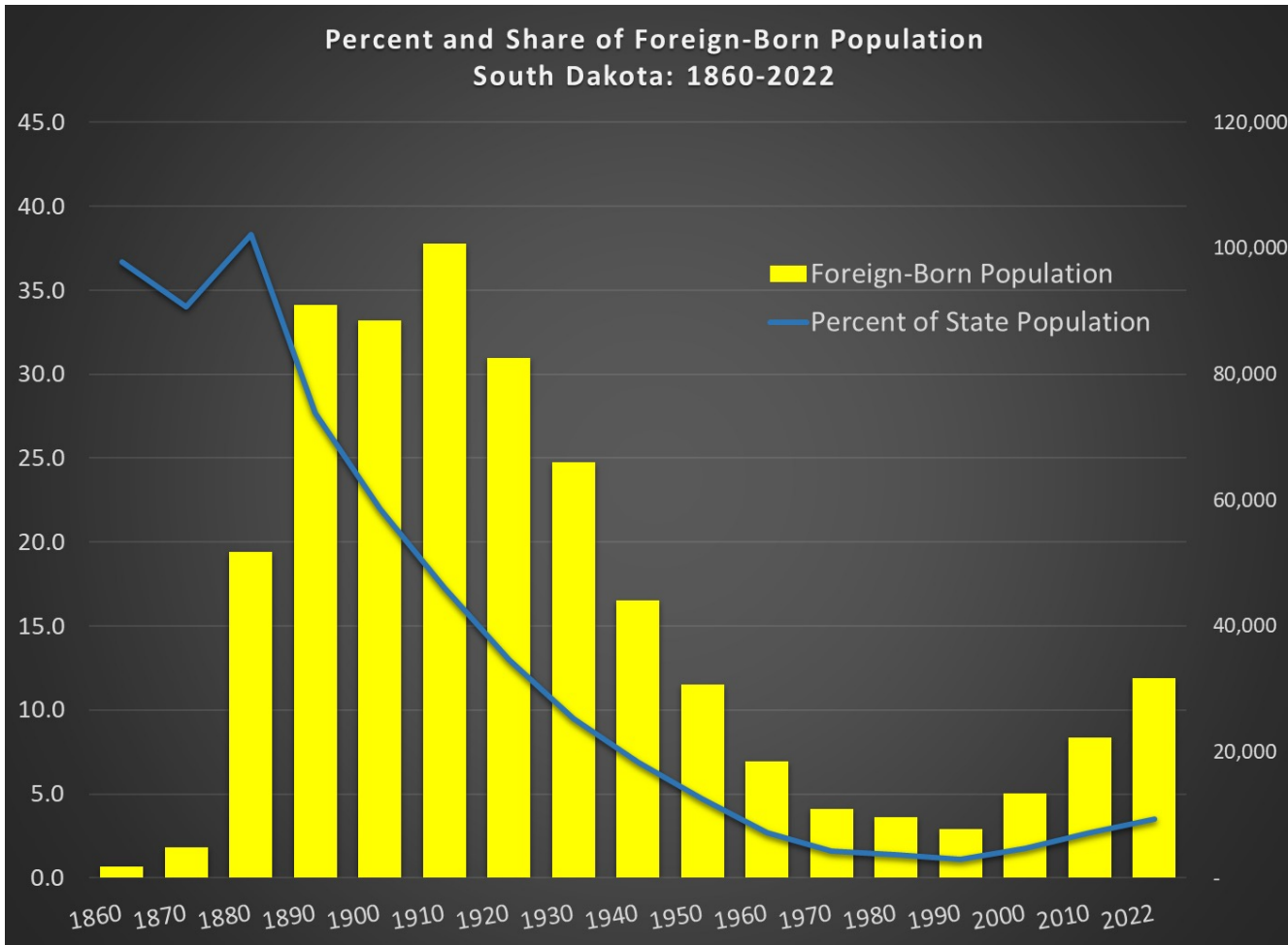
FOREIGN-BORN POPULATION GROWTH BY COUNTY



Growth by Foreign-Born Population: between 2012 and 2022, **44** counties had growth in foreign-born populations, and **17** counties had their foreign-born population doubled.

Data source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2012 and 2022 American Community Survey 5-year estimates.

FOREIGN-BORN POPULATIONS IN SOUTH DAKOTA HISTORICAL AND CONTEMPORARY TRENDS



Data source: the U.S. Census Bureau, the Decennial Censuses, the Population Estimate Program, The American Community Survey 1-year estimates. Data shown for 1860 to 1880 are for the Dakota Territory and include North Dakota.

- The map on the left shows the **size** and **share** of foreign-born population residing in South Dakota by decade, 1860-2022.
- The foreign-born population as the share of the state population was historically in a declining trend till 1990 followed by a gradual increase in the past three decades.
- The 2023 ACS estimates reported **39,943** foreign-born people in South Dakota, approximately **4.3%** of the state population. More than one-third (36.2%) were from Latin America followed by 28.8% from Asian, 23.2% from Africa, and 9.4% from Europe.

FOREIGN-BORN POPULATIONS IN SOUTH DAKOTA

CHANGING DEMOGRAPHICS

| | Native | | Foreign born | |
|--------------------|--------|------|--------------|------|
| | 2022 | 2012 | 2022 | 2012 |
| Sex | | | | |
| Male | 50.8 | 50.1 | 50.2 | 52.8 |
| Female | 49.2 | 49.9 | 49.8 | 47.2 |
| Age | | | | |
| Under 5 years | 6.7 | 7.3 | 1.2 | 1.4 |
| 5 to 17 years | 18.1 | 17.8 | 9.8 | 10.9 |
| 18 to 24 years | 9.4 | 10.0 | 12.1 | 13.4 |
| 25 to 44 years | 24.3 | 23.9 | 46.2 | 41.0 |
| 45 to 54 years | 10.5 | 14.2 | 15.0 | 16.0 |
| 55 to 64 years | 13.2 | 12.2 | 8.9 | 9.9 |
| 65 to 74 years | 10.6 | 7.2 | 3.9 | 3.6 |
| 75 to 84 years | 4.8 | 5.0 | 2.2 | 3.0 |
| 85 years and over | 2.3 | 2.4 | 0.8 | 0.9 |
| Median age (years) | 37.7 | 37.1 | 35.0 | 35.9 |

- The foreign-born population in South Dakota was younger in 2022 than ten years ago with about **1** year drop in the median age.
- The foreign-born population has **a larger share of working-age population (25-64)** compared to the native-born population (66.9 vs 50.3 in 2012; 70.1 vs. 48.0% in 2022).

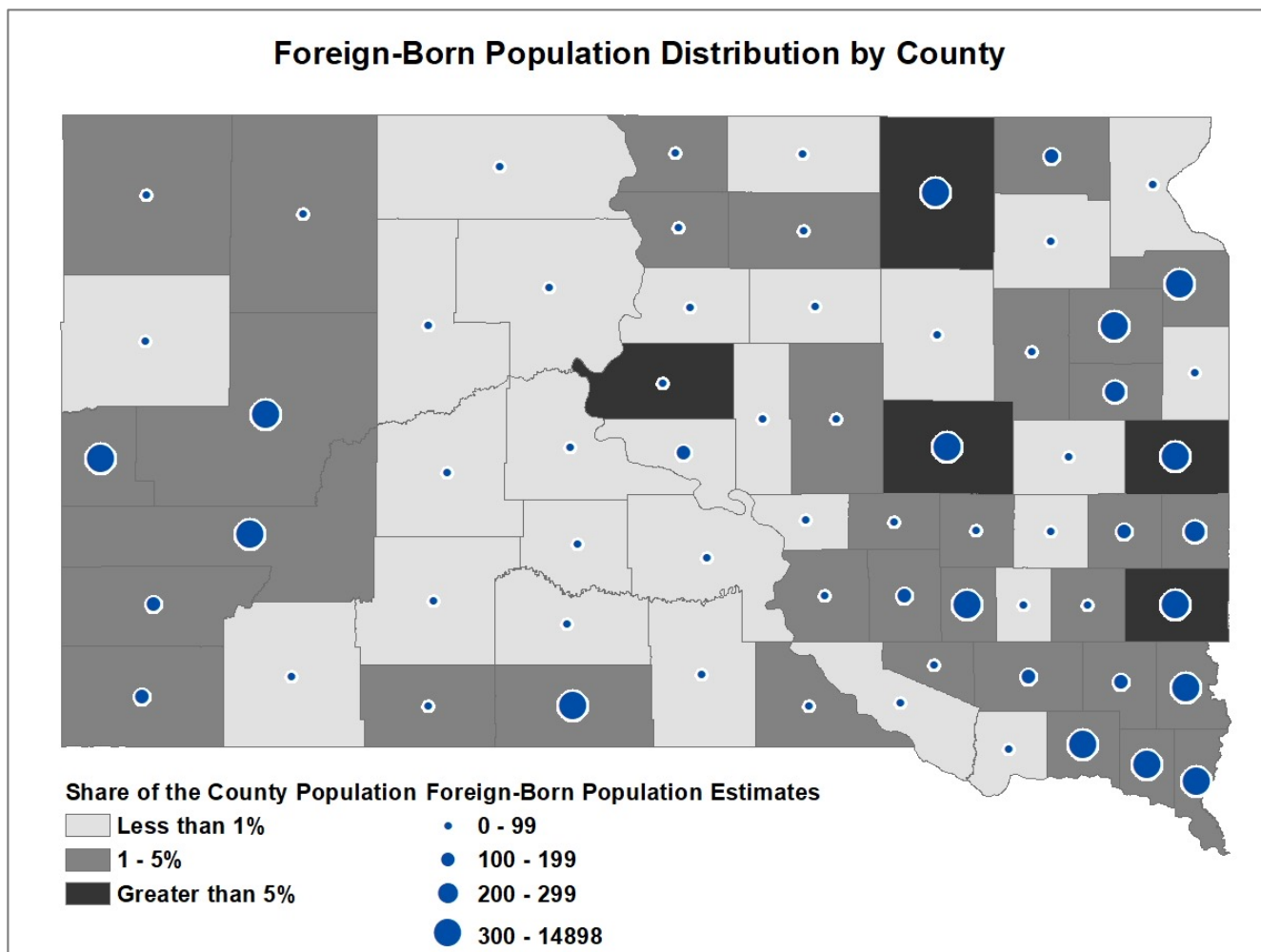
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CHANGING DEMOGRAPHICS

| | Native | | Foreign born | |
|---------------------------------|----------|----------|--------------|----------|
| | 2022 | 2012 | 2022 | 2012 |
| Educational Attainment | | | | |
| Less than high school graduate | 6.5 | 9.2 | 25.4 | 32.5 |
| High school graduate | 30 | 32.2 | 26.6 | 22.9 |
| Some college/associate's degree | 33.1 | 32.6 | 17.3 | 17.4 |
| Bachelor's degree | 21 | 18.5 | 19.6 | 12.3 |
| Graduate/professional degree | 9.4 | 7.6 | 11.1 | 14.9 |
| Median Earnings | | | | |
| Male | \$56,792 | \$40,617 | \$49,729 | \$31,908 |
| Female | \$45,085 | \$31,343 | \$37,511 | \$27,838 |

- Compared to the foreign-born people residing in South Dakota ten years ago, there were **more with high school degree or bachelor's degree** while less with graduate or professional degrees or incomplete with high school.
- The foreign-born population had **lower median earnings**; the native-born/foreign-born median earning ratio drop from 1.27 to 1.14 for males but increased from 1.13 to 1.20 for females.

FOREIGN-BORN POPULATION DISTRIBUTION BY COUNTY



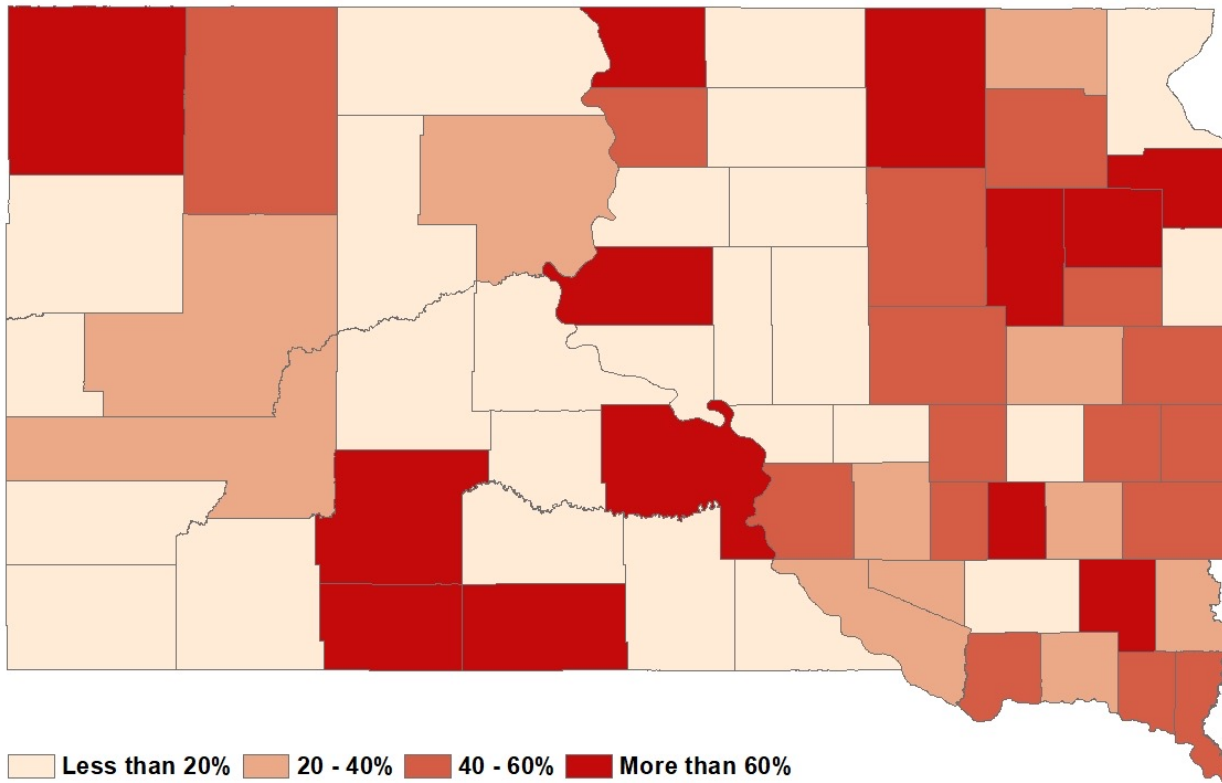
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Beadle, Minnehaha, Sully, Brown, and Brookings counties had the share of foreign-born population greater than 5% of the county population.

Foreign-born populations in 15 counties were larger than 300 people.

RECENT FOREIGN-BORN POPULATION BY COUNTY

Percent Foreign-Born Population Who Entered the U.S. After 2010



Recall that 44 counties experienced growth in the foreign-born population between 2012 and 2022.

22 counties with half of their foreign-born populations being relatively new (entered the U.S. after 2010)

Data source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2023 American Community Survey 1-year estimates.

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THANK YOU!

QUESTIONS?

