

Economic and Revenue Outlook

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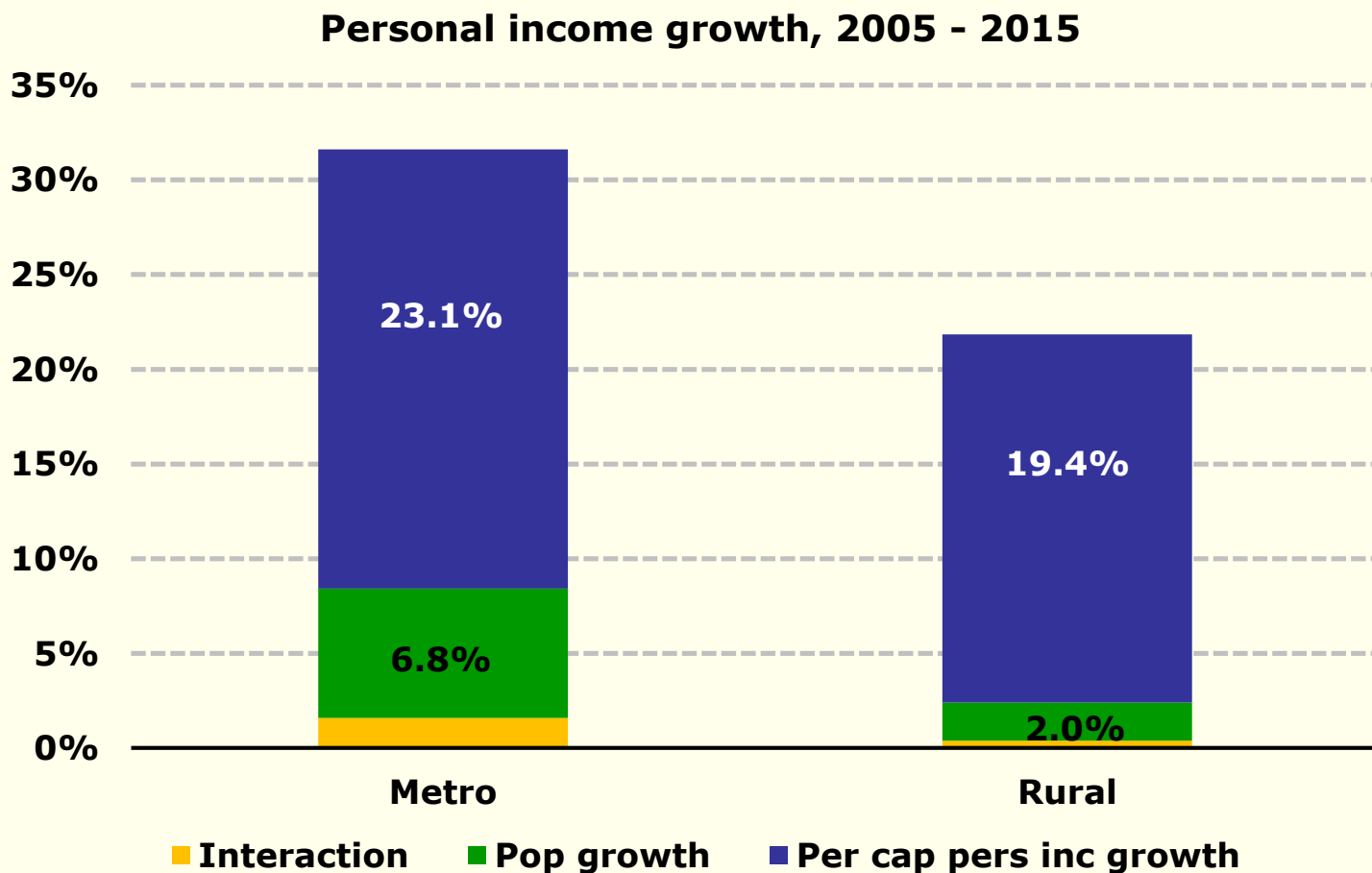


Definitions and data sources

- Rural: 24 counties not included in metropolitan areas as defined by the U.S. Census Bureau
- Metro: 15 counties in the metropolitan areas of Bellingham, Bremerton, Longview, Mt. Vernon, Olympia, Portland, Seattle, Spokane, Tacoma, Tri-cities, Wenatchee and Yakima
- Employment data come from the Quarterly Census of Employment and Wages collected by the Employment Security Department and from the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis
- Personal income data come from the U.S. Bureau of Economic Analysis



Population and per capita personal income have grown faster in metro counties



Source: U.S Bureau of Economic Analysis; data through 2015

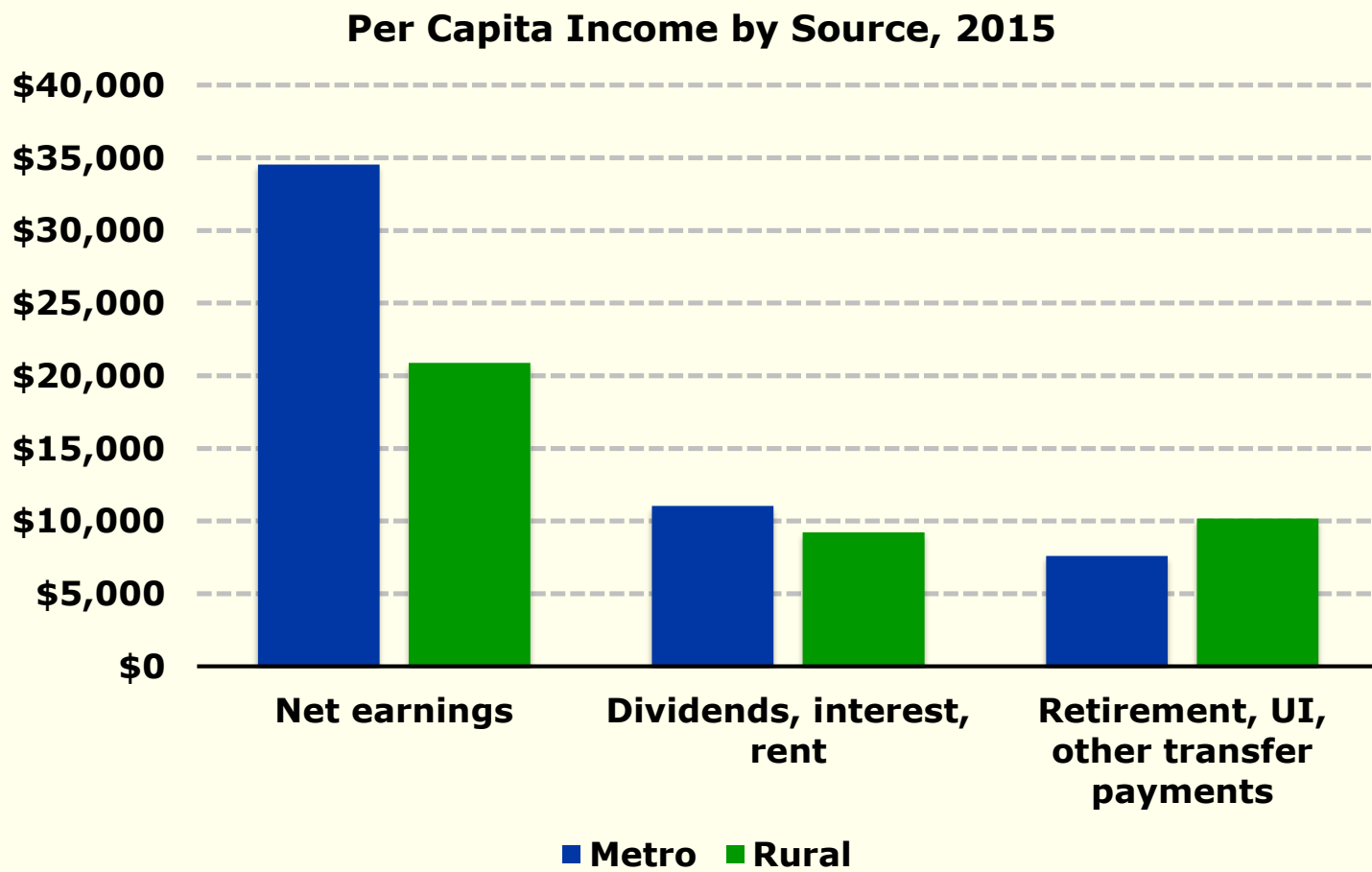
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Per capita earnings are much higher in metro areas

Net earnings = wages, salaries, proprietor earnings minus payroll taxes

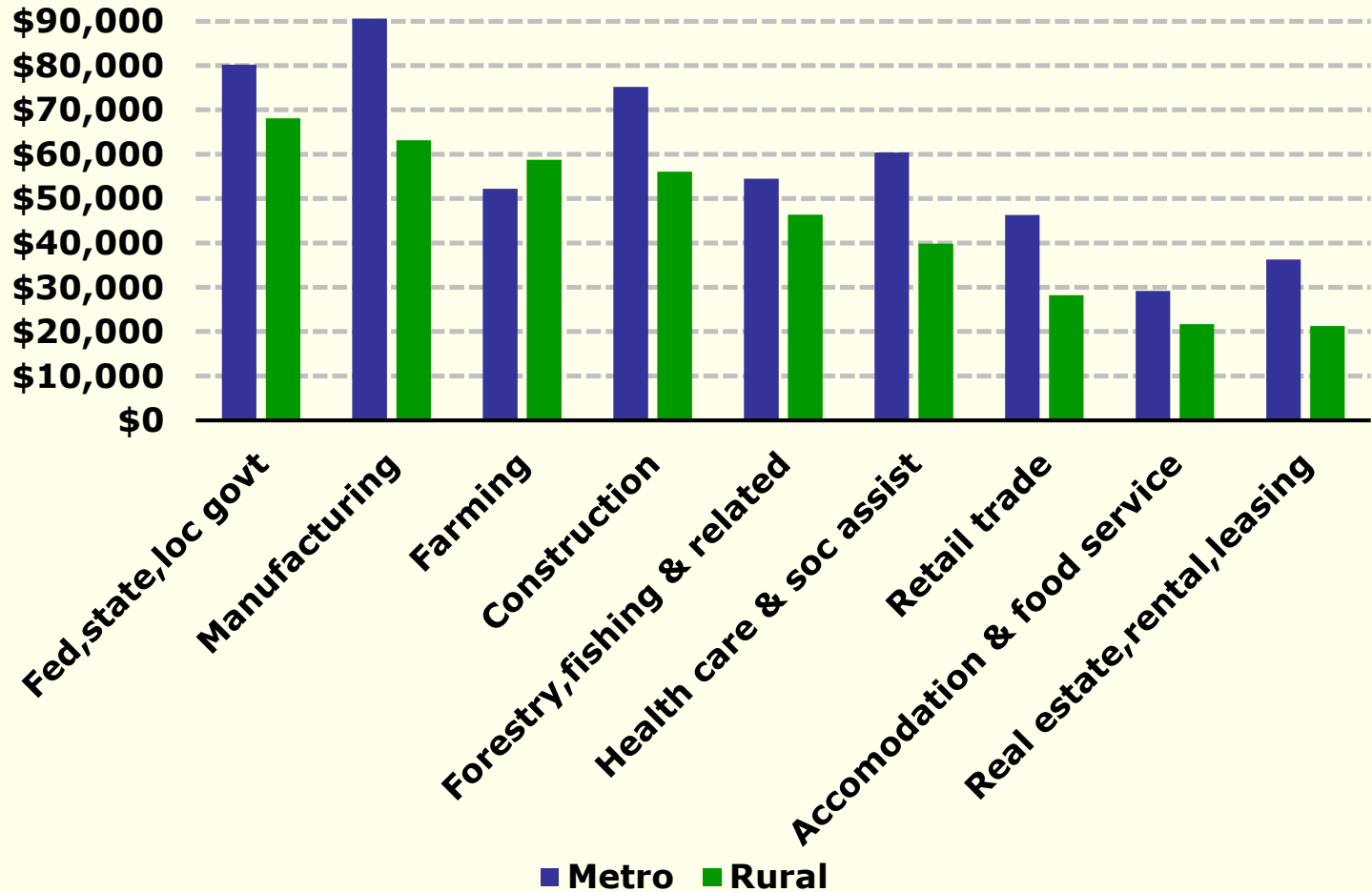
Other transfer payments include veterans benefits, disability benefits, medical benefits, etc.



Source: U.S Bureau of Economic Analysis; data through 2015



Average 2015 earnings per job, by industry

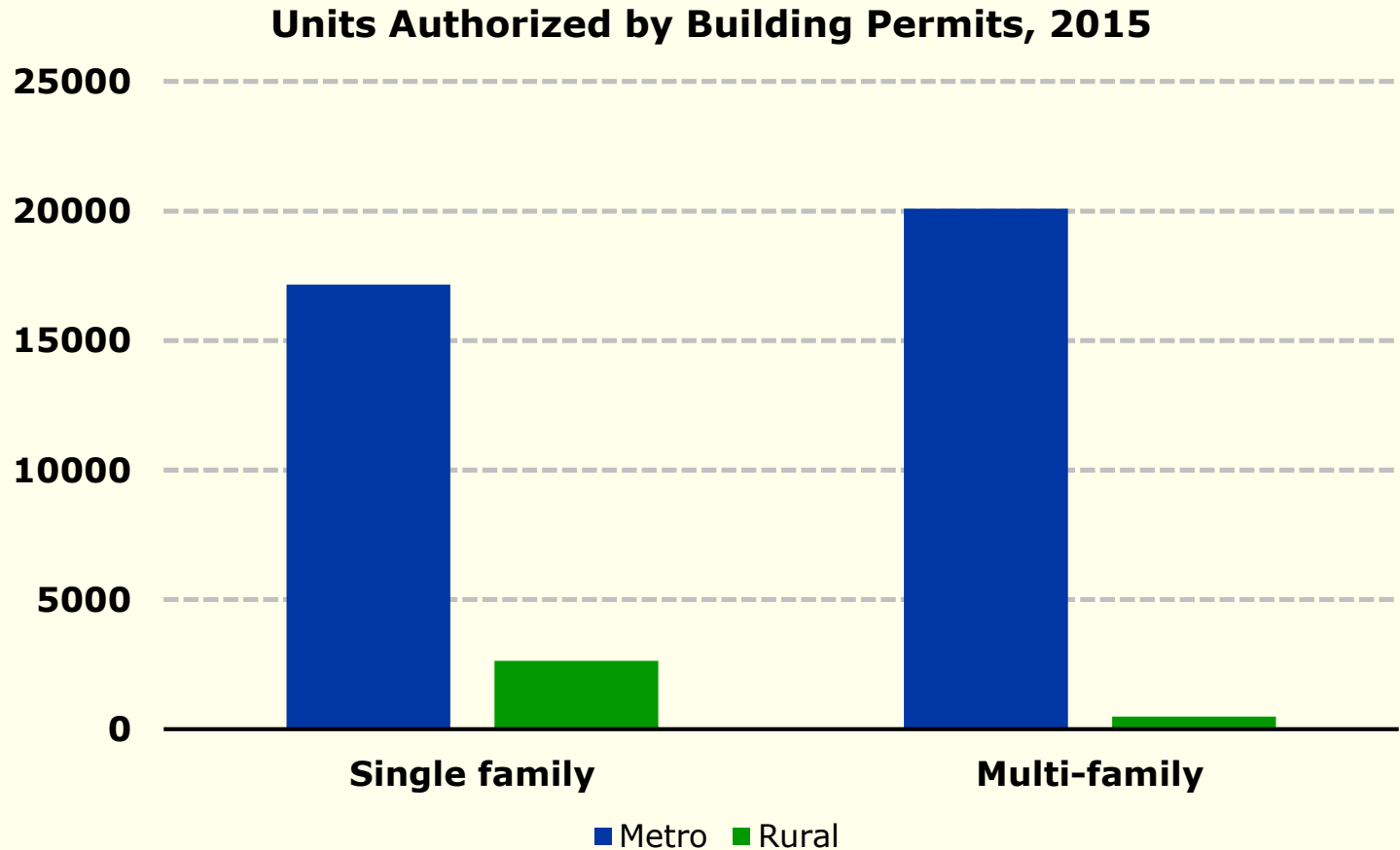


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Most residential construction activity was focused in metro counties in 2015

7.7% of building permits in 2015 were in rural counties





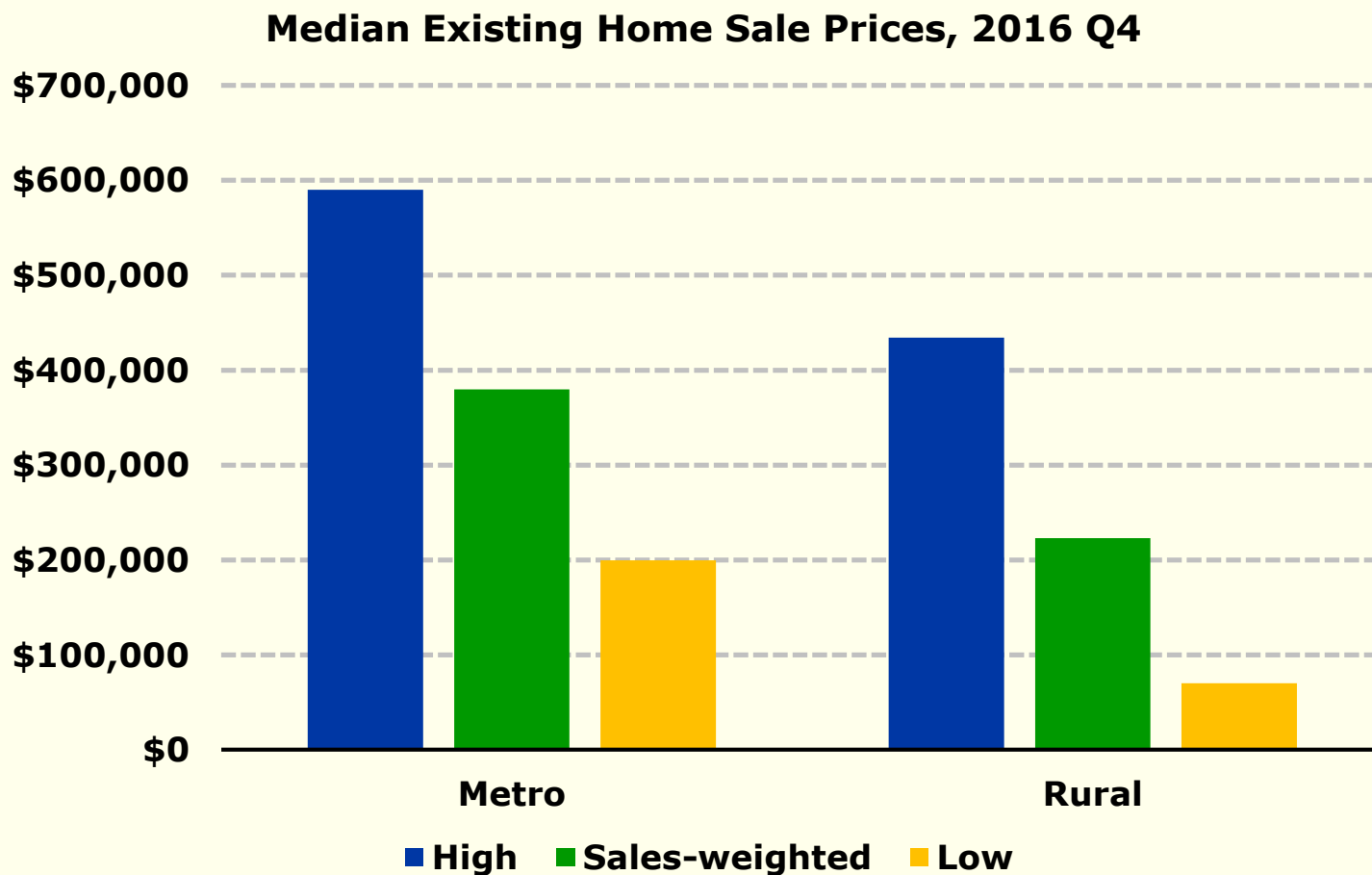
Existing home sale prices tend to be higher in metro counties

Metro High
= King

Metro Low
= Yakima

Rural High
= San Juan

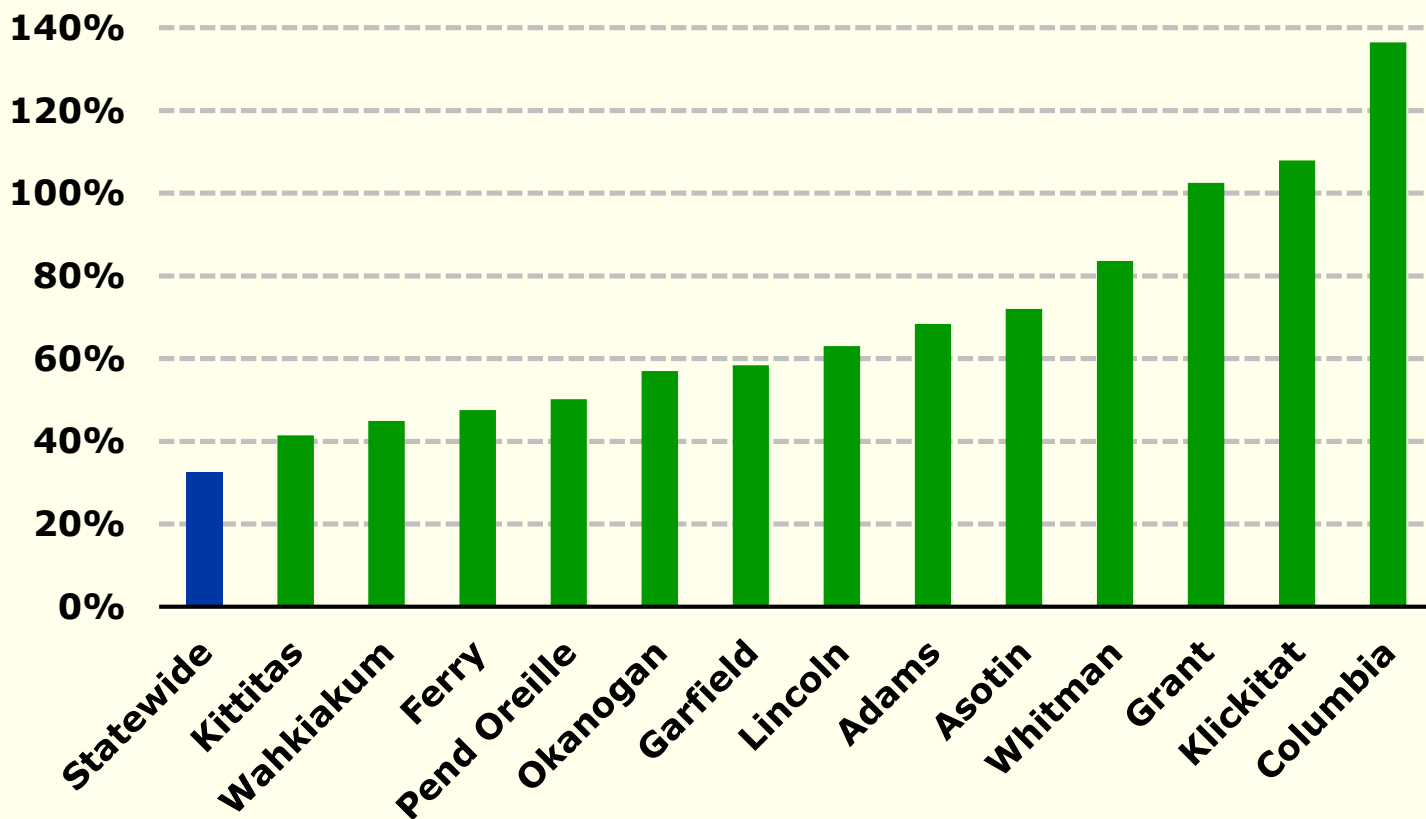
Rural Low
= Ferry,
Lincoln





Thirteen rural counties had stronger taxable retail sales growth than the state as a whole

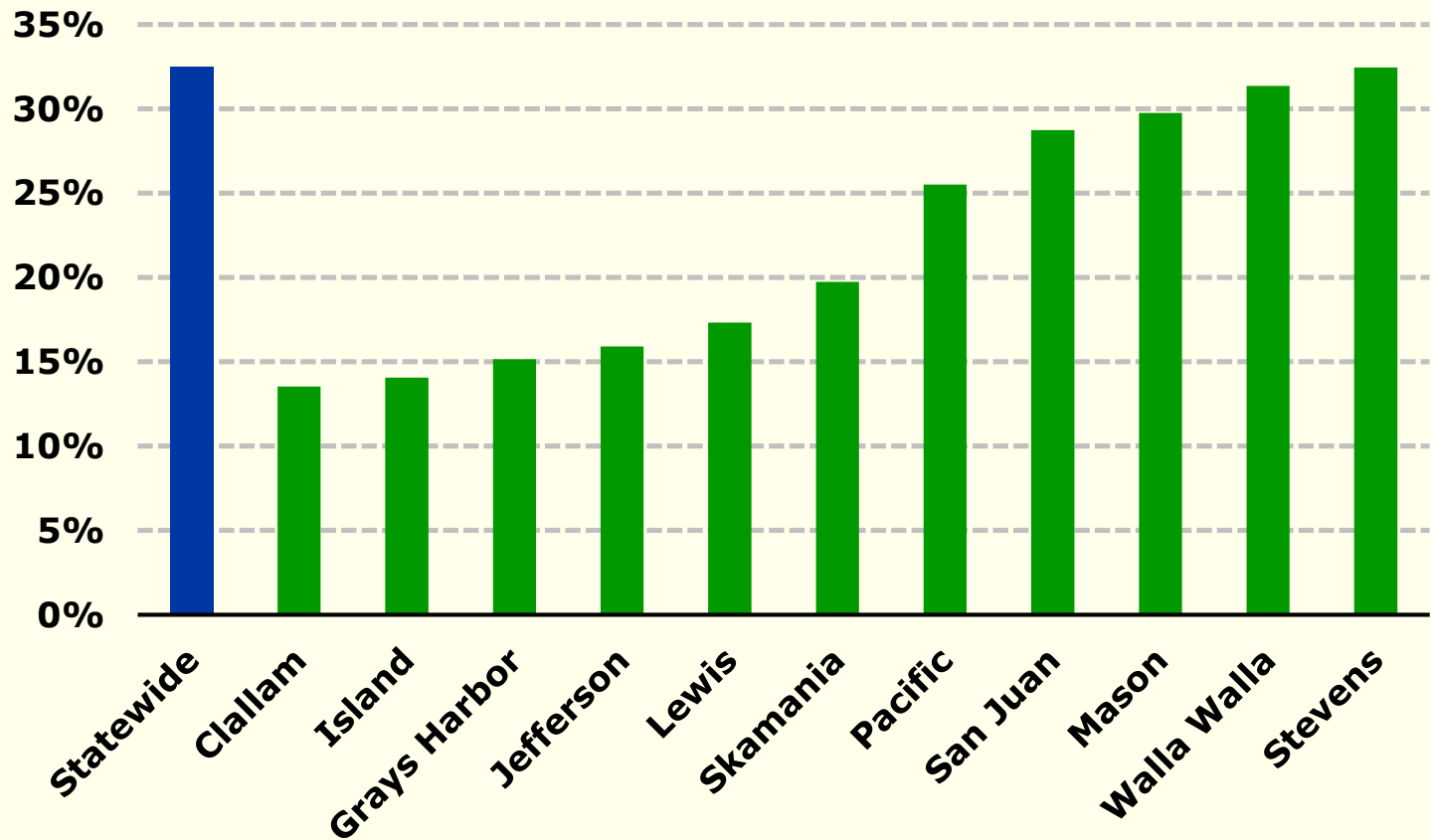
Growth in annual taxable retail sales, 2005 - 2015





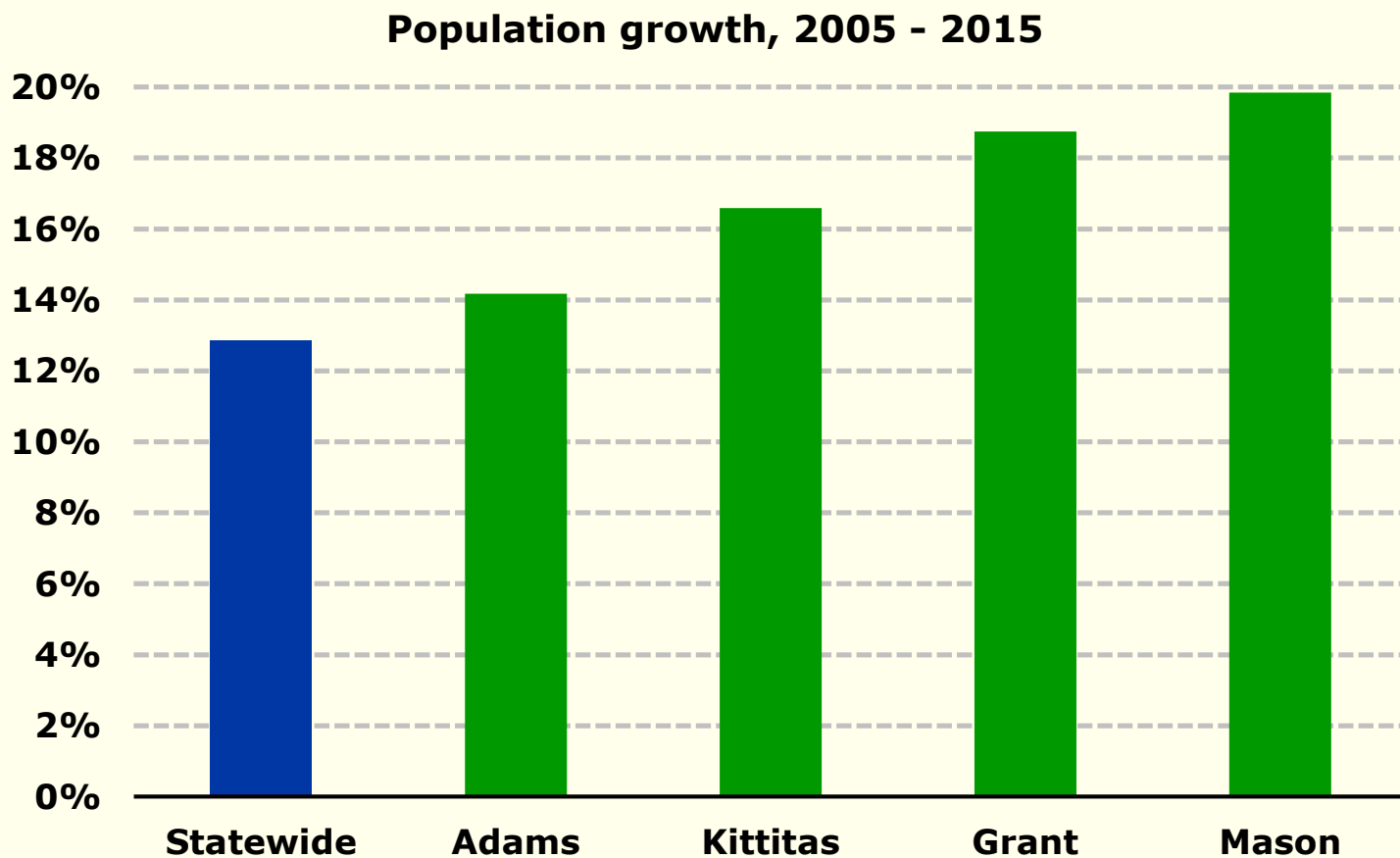
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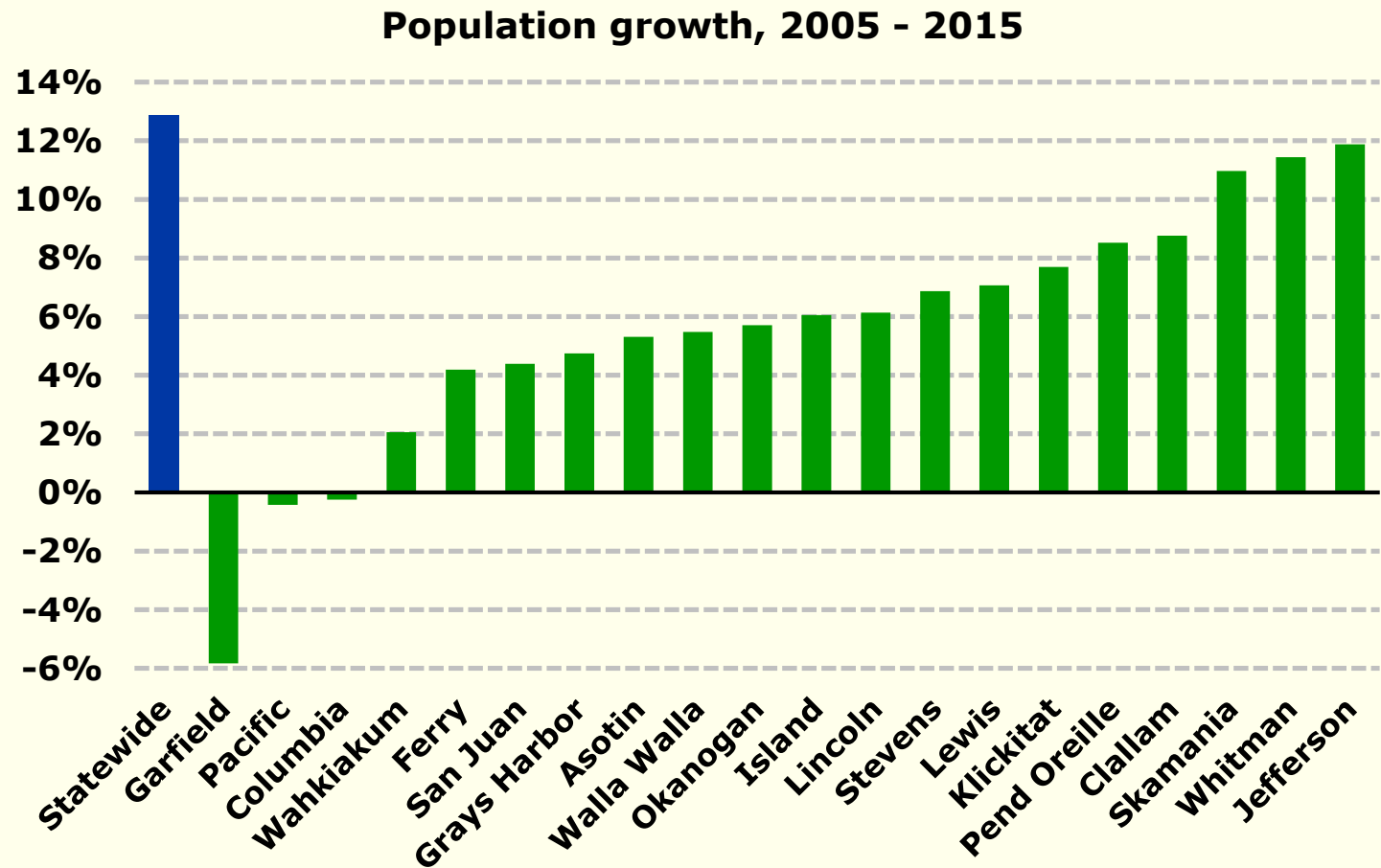


Four rural counties had faster population growth than the state as a whole





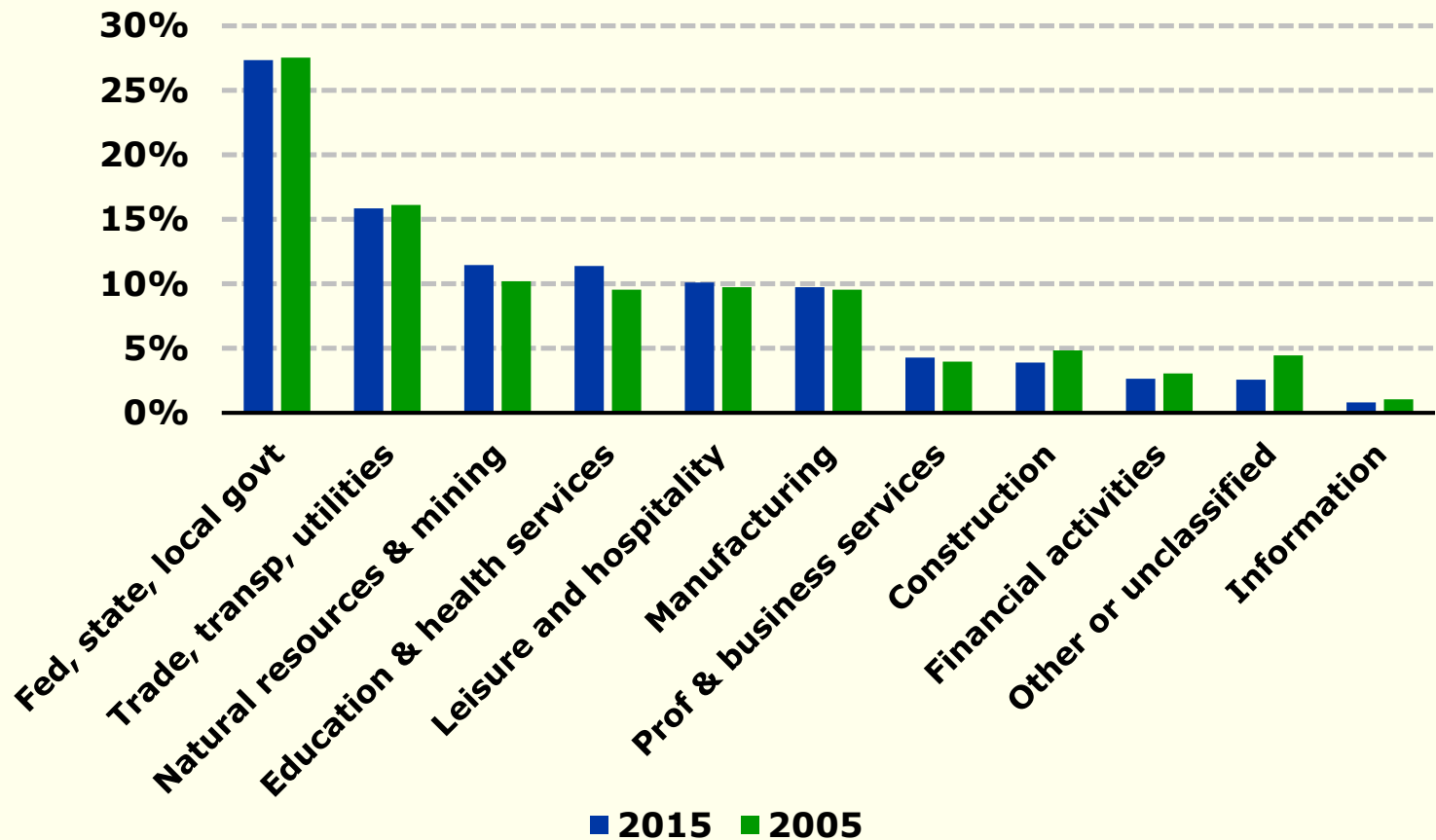
Twenty rural counties had slower population growth than the state as a whole





Rural county employment share by industry: 2005 and 2015

Rural counties:
 Adams, Asotin,
 Clallam,
 Columbia,
 Ferry, Garfield,
 Grant, Grays
 Harbor, Island,
 Jefferson,
 Kittitas,
 Klickitat, Lewis,
 Lincoln, Mason,
 Okanogan,
 Pacific, Pend
 Oreille, San
 Juan,
 Skamania,
 Stevens,
 Wahkiakum,
 Walla Walla,
 Whitman

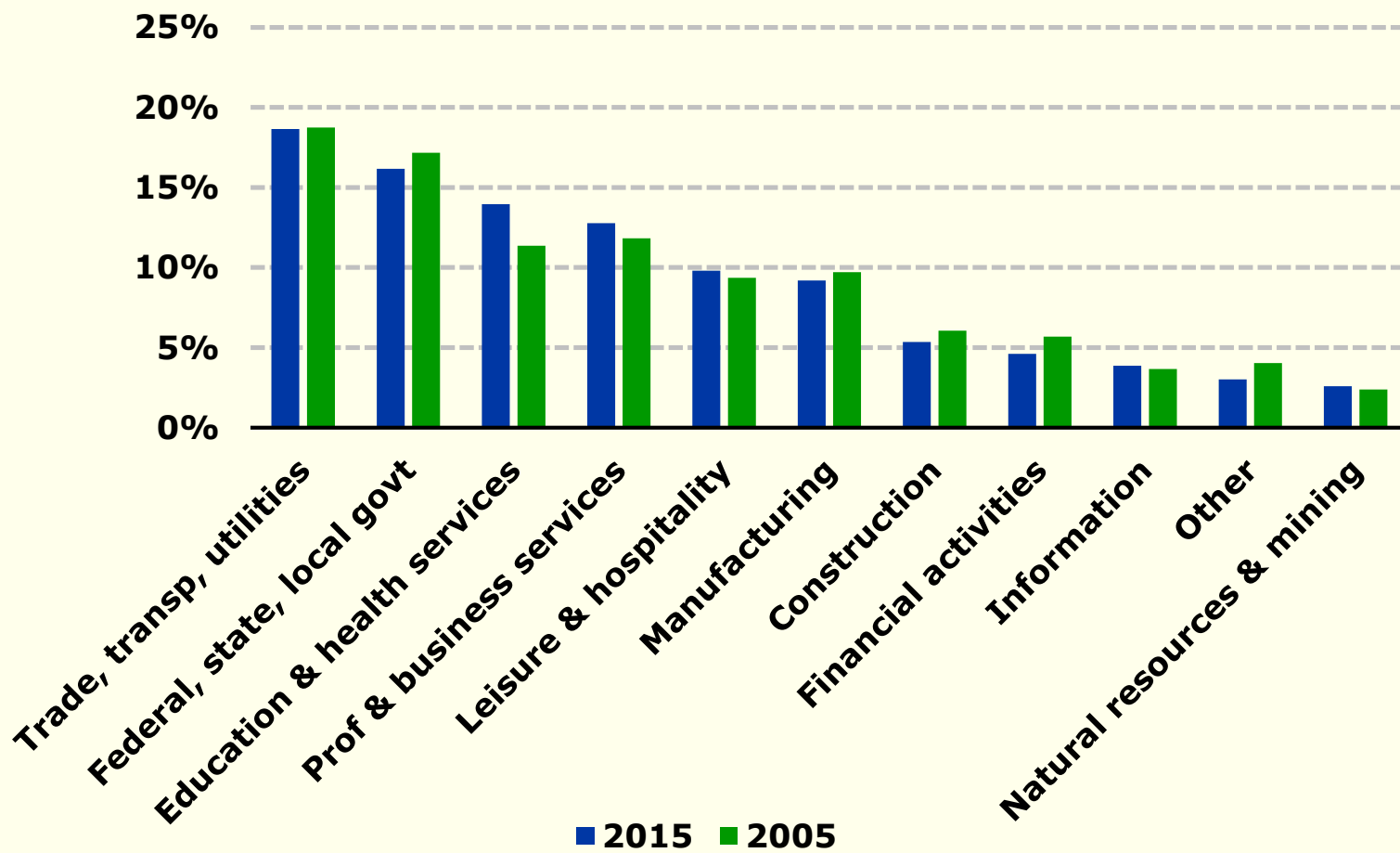


Sources: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Employment Security Department



Metro county employment share by industry: 2005 and 2015

Metro counties:
Benton,
Chelan, Clark,
Cowlitz,
Douglas,
Franklin, King,
Kitsap, Pierce,
Skagit,
Snohomish,
Spokane,
Thurston,
Whatcom,
Yakima

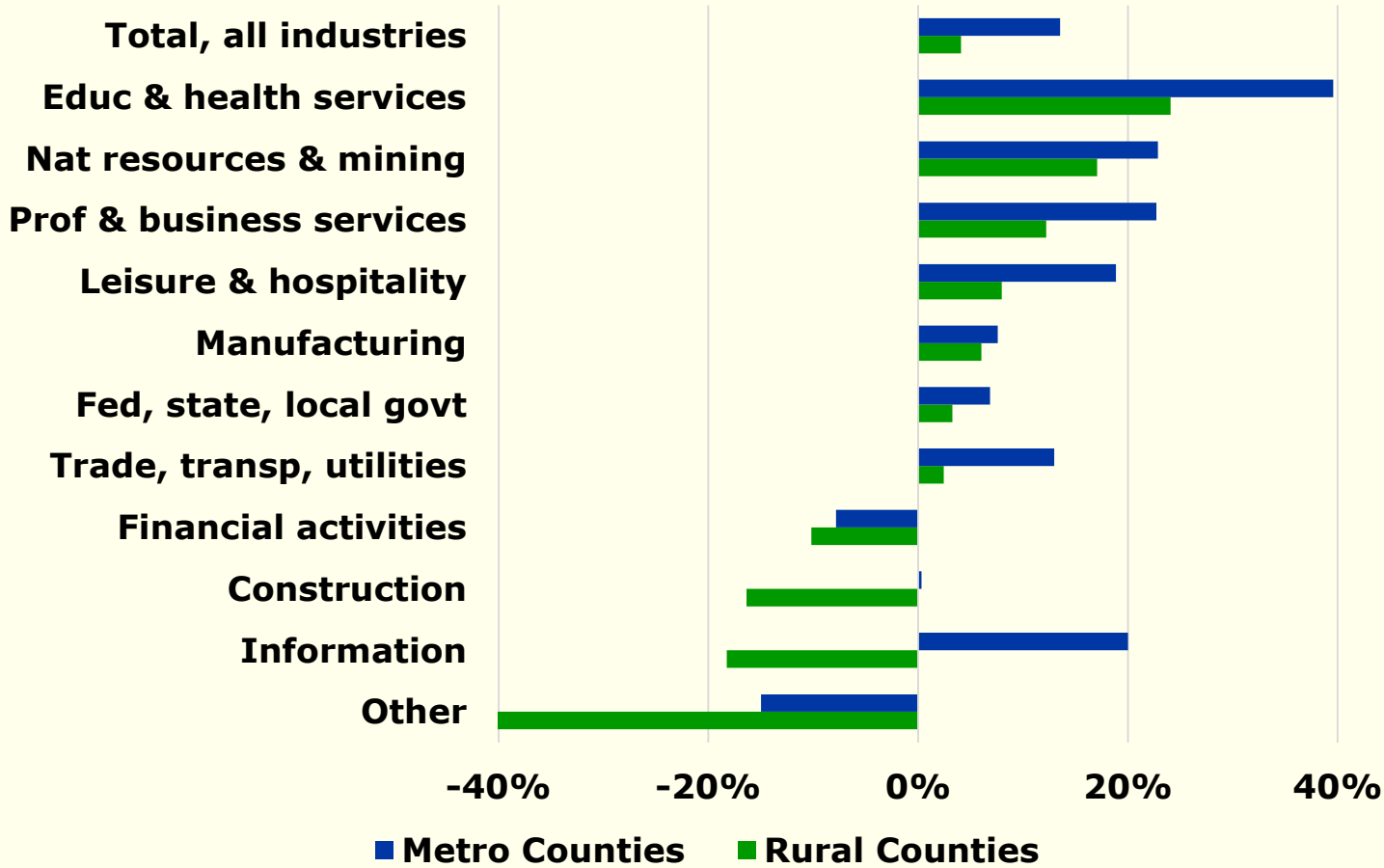


Sources: U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, Employment Security Department



Percentage change in metro and rural employment by industry, 2005 - 15

Between 2005 and 2015, rural county employment grew by 4.1% and metro county employment by 13.6%



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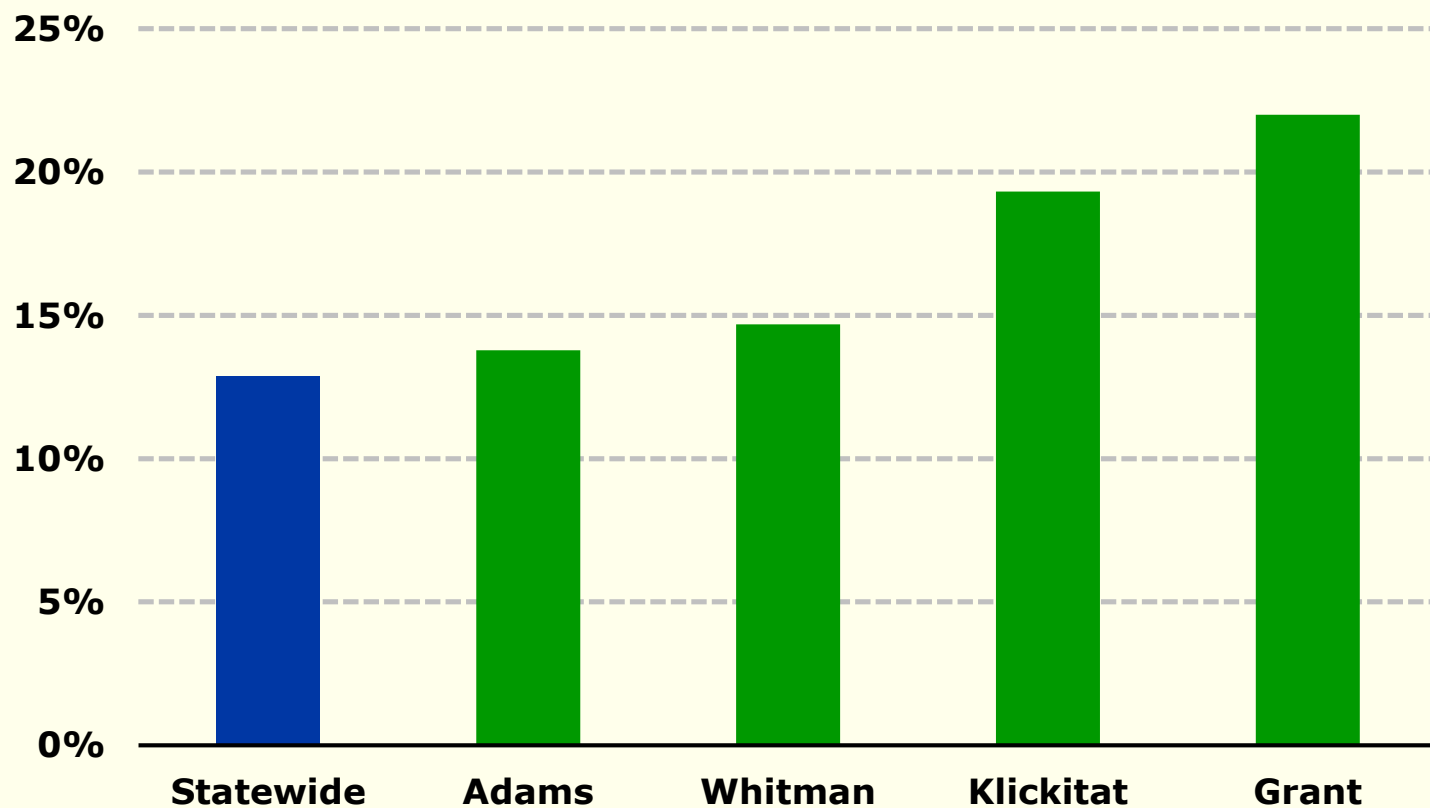
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Four rural counties had faster employment growth than the state as a whole

This chart includes all workers covered by unemployment insurance (UI); statewide, 85% of workers are covered by UI

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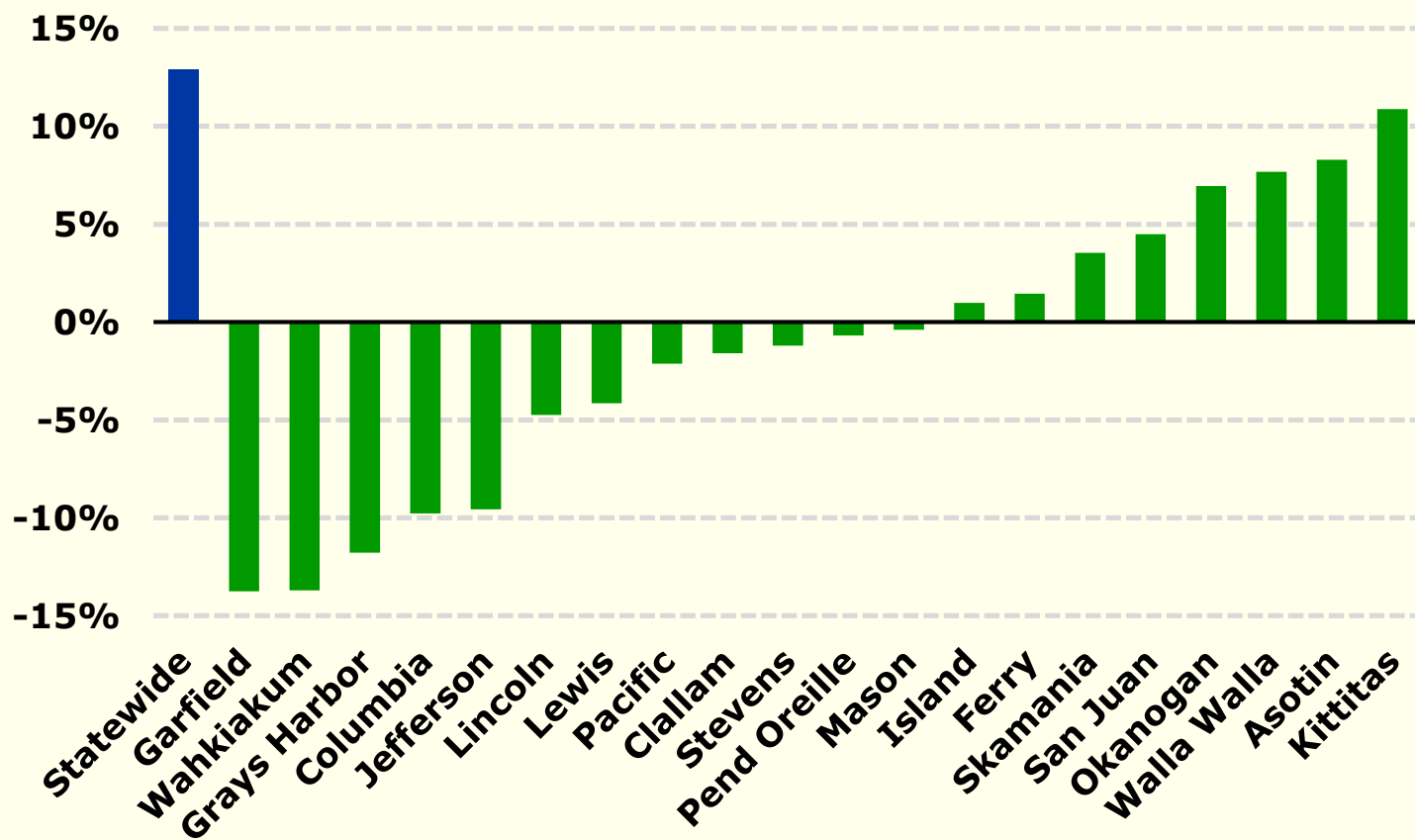




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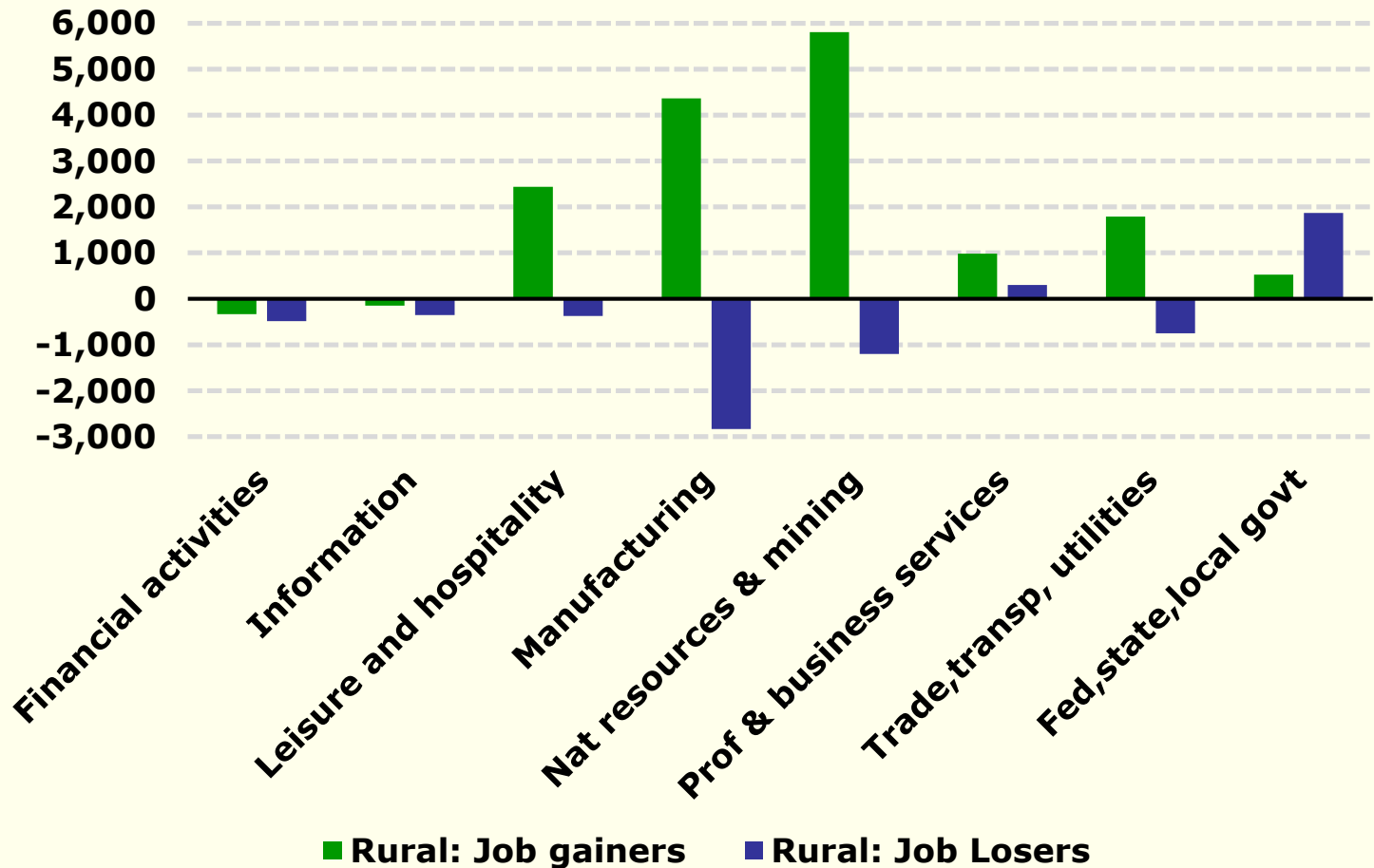


Change in employment by industry, 2005-15, rural job gainers vs. job losers

Total employment change, 2005-15:
 Job gainers = +16,828
 Job losers = -5,994

Rural counties gaining job, 2005-15:
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Rural counties losing jobs, 2005-15:
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Questions



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