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Presentation

“Looking Forward”

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Shaping Our Future:

Reform in California

SANBAG 26th Annual City/County Conference
Lake Arrowhead Resort

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A New Age Requires New Governance

Political
Changes



Economic
Changes



Social and
Demographic
Changes



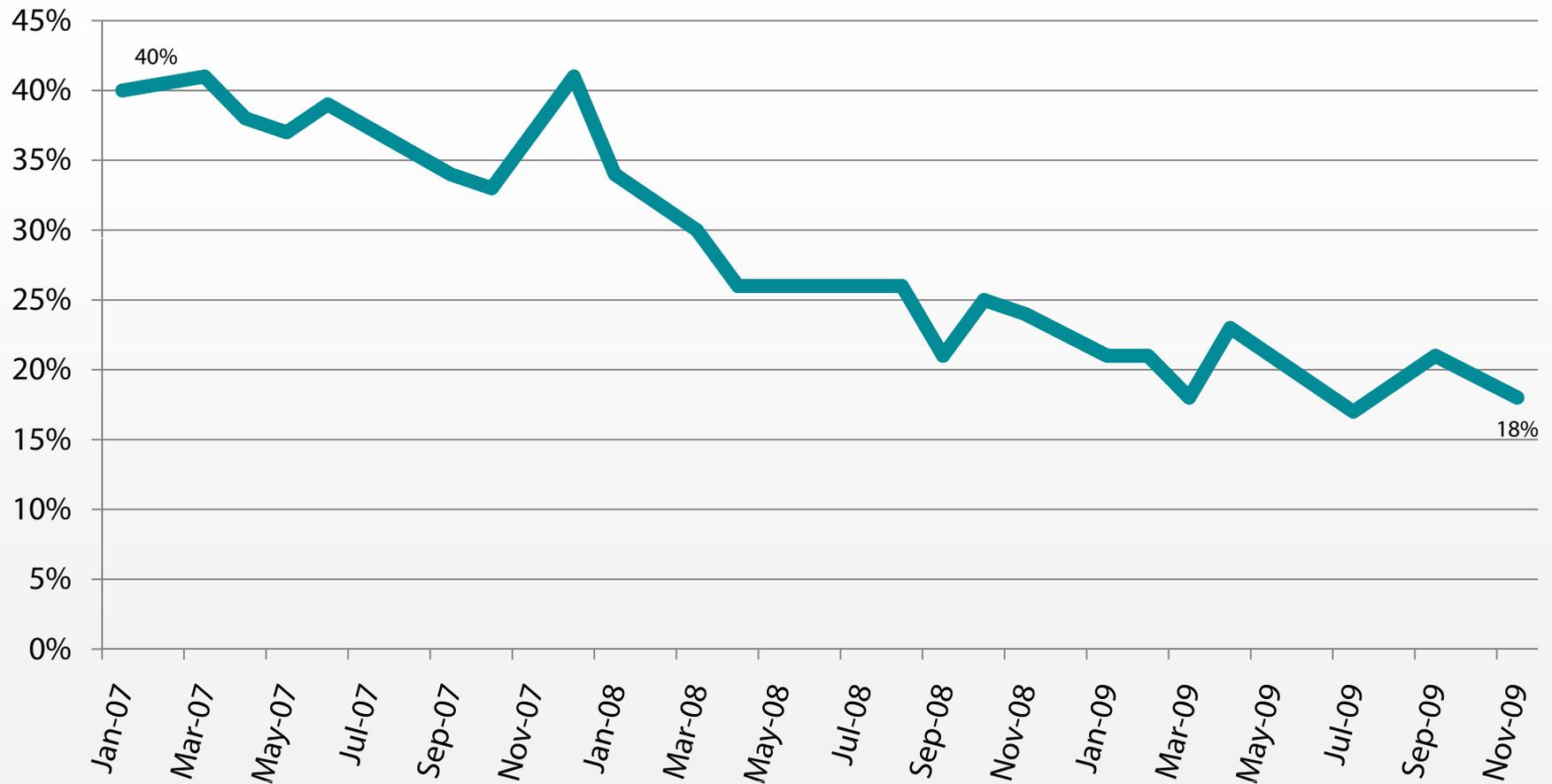
Massive
Population
Growth



The Challenge:
The Political System
Isn't Working

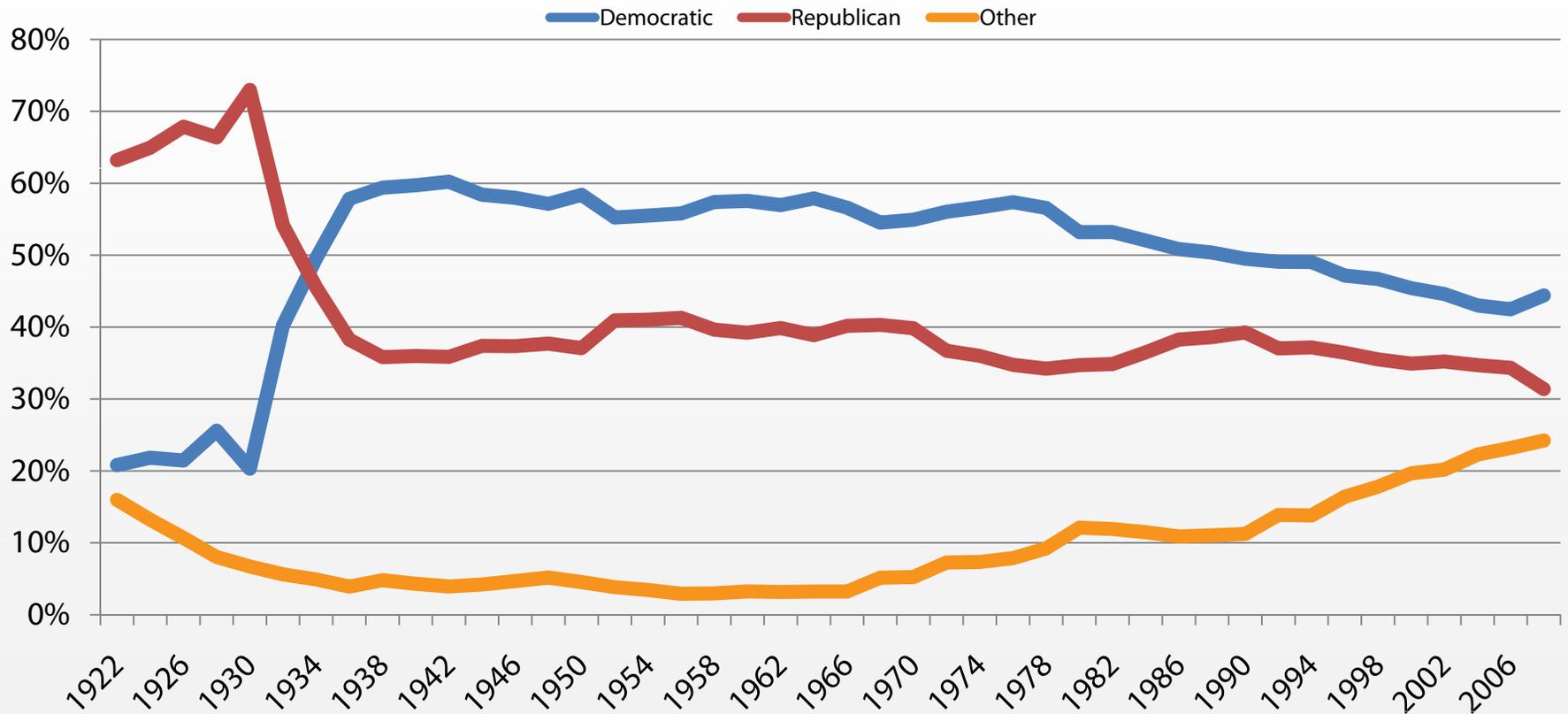
Public Approval of the Legislature is at Record Lows

California Legislature Approval Ratings



Got a Party?

California Historical Voter Registration 1922-2008

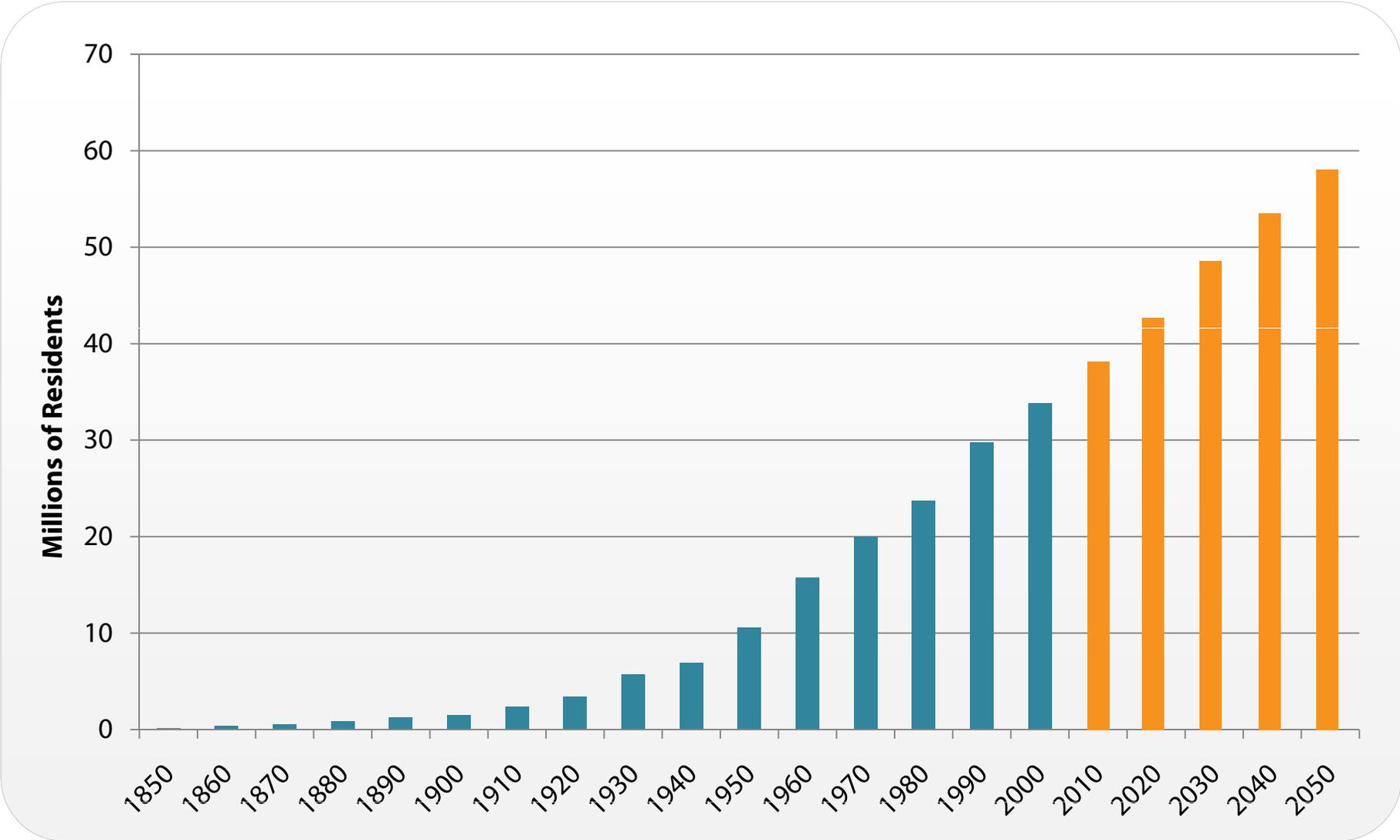


The Trust Factor

- 3 out of 4 voters believe the state is run by a few big interests looking out for themselves.
- 62% of people think state government wastes “a lot” of the money they pay in taxes.
- More than 1 in 10 voters say they “never” trust state government to do what is right.

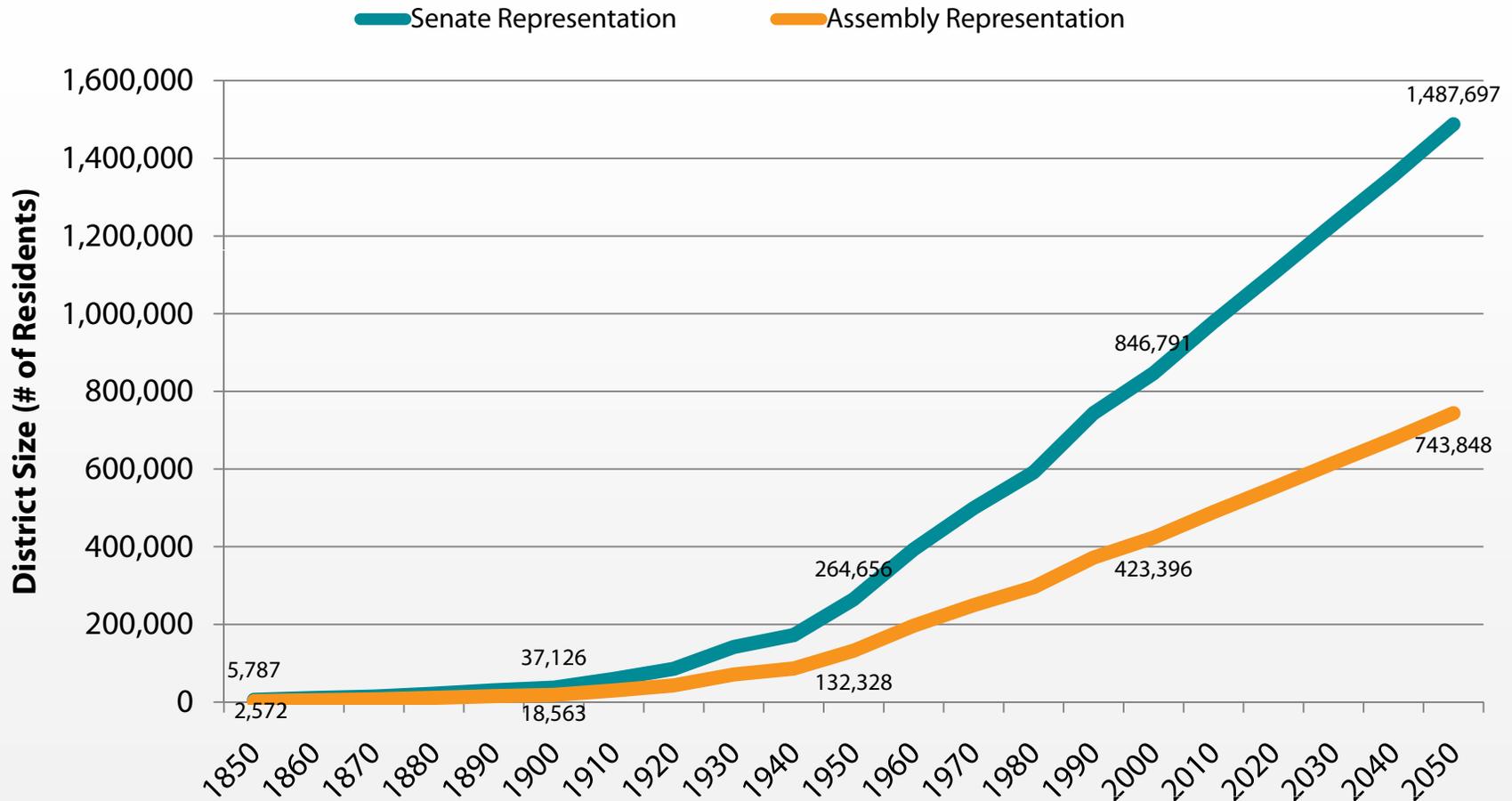
The Challenge:
The Population is
Only Growing

CA Will Have Nearly 60 Million Residents by 2050



Real or perceived...the “disconnect” grows

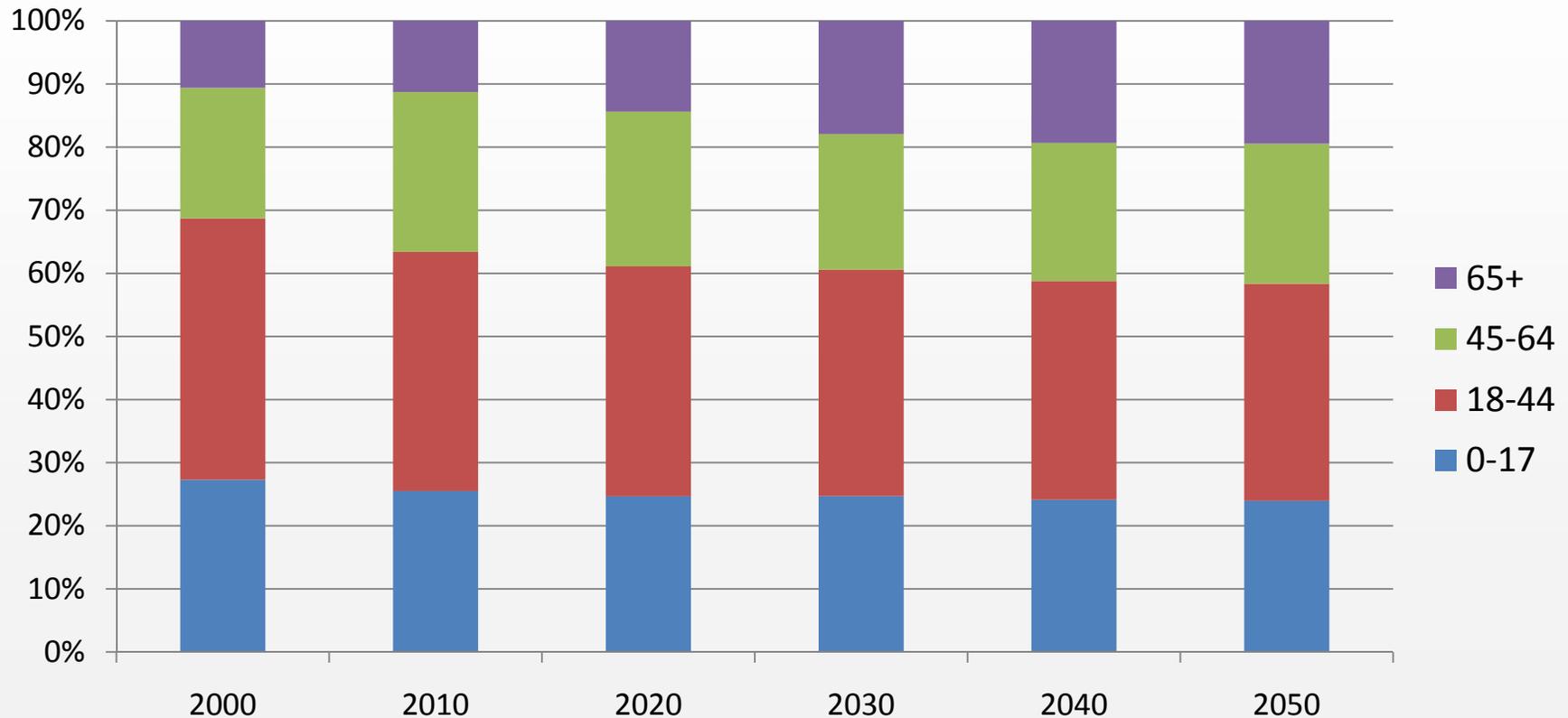
California Legislative Representation



The Challenge: Demographics are Changing

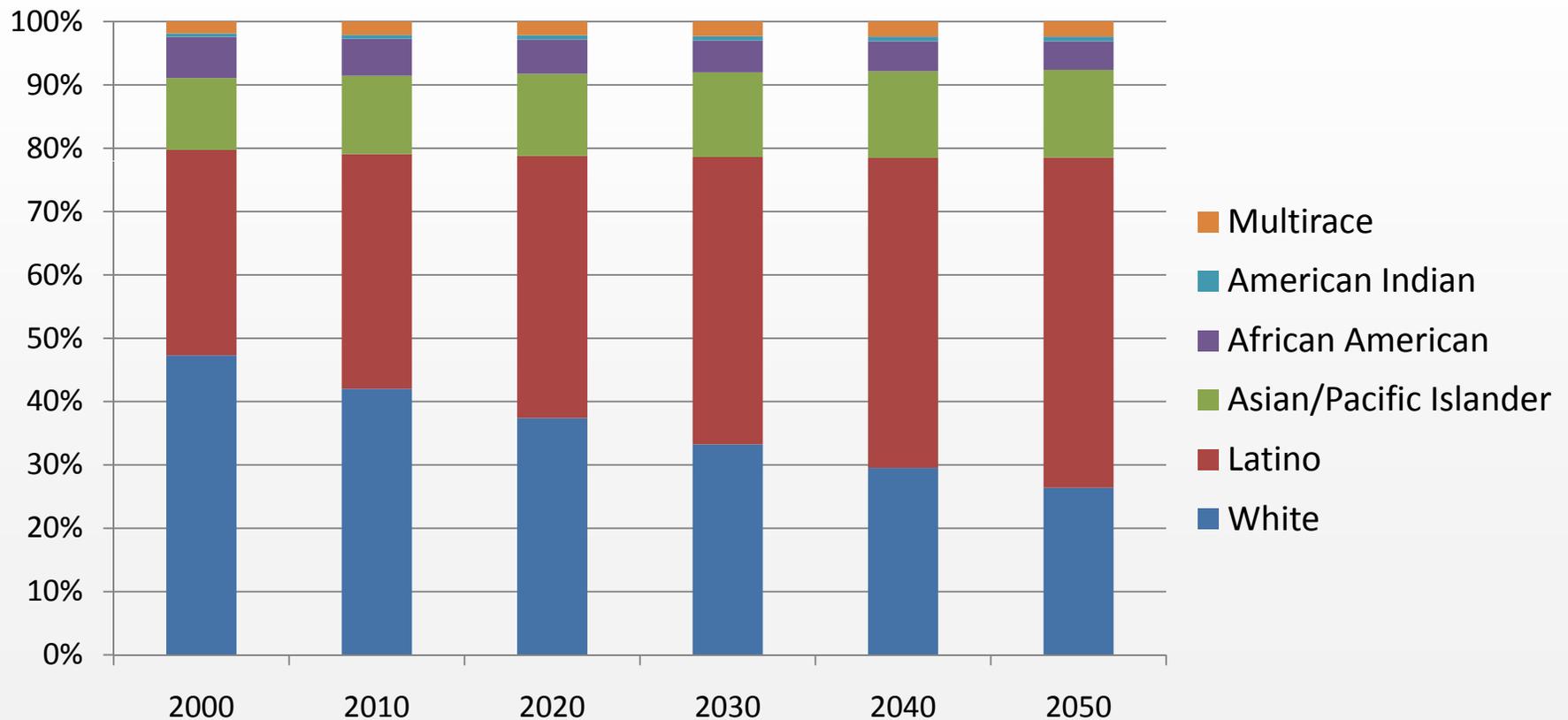
The Average Californian is Getting Older...

- As baby boomers retire, the number of seniors living in the state will double over the next 20 years.



And the State's Social Fabric is Changing

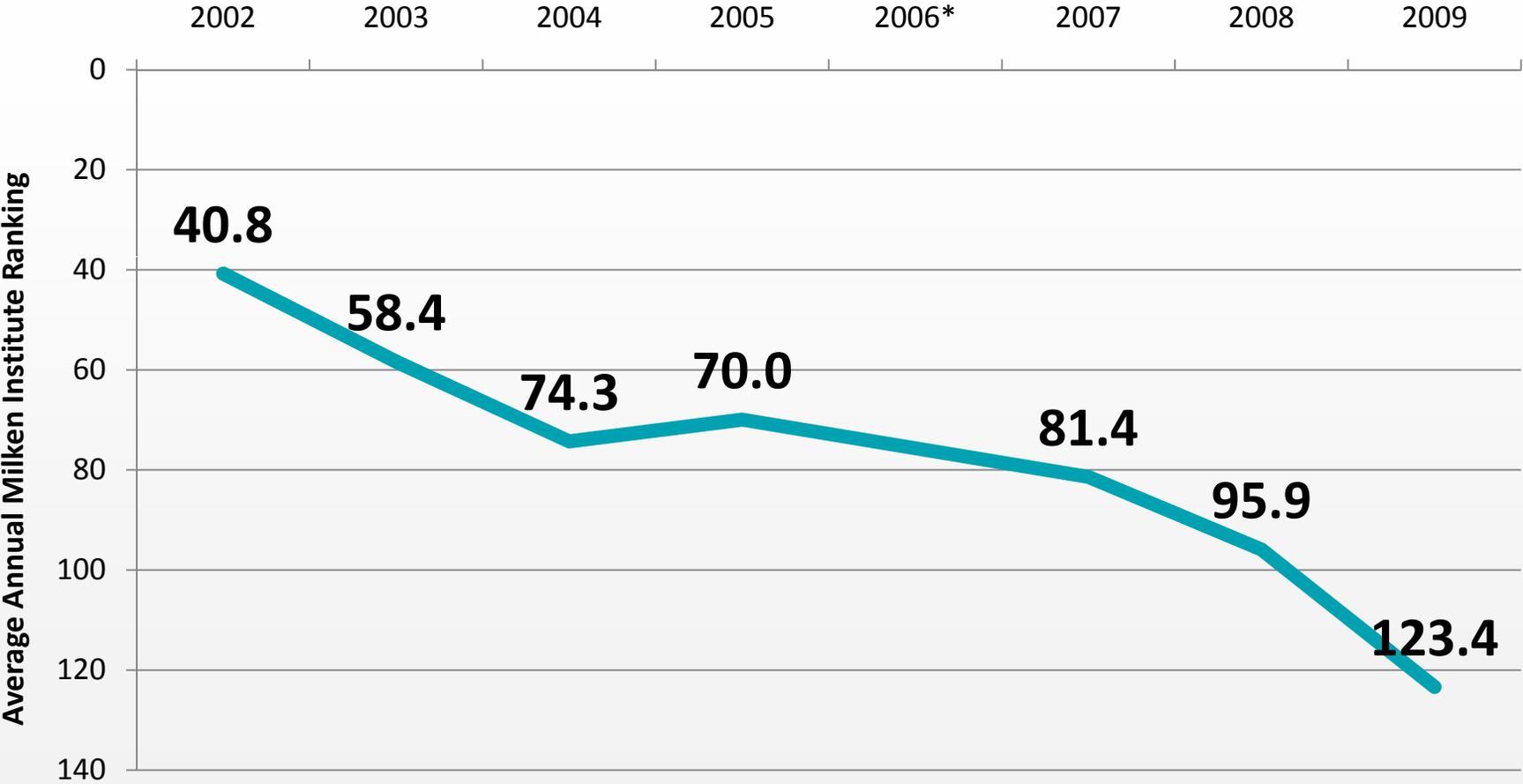
- Latinos will become California's largest ethnic group in ten years and will comprise a majority in 2050.



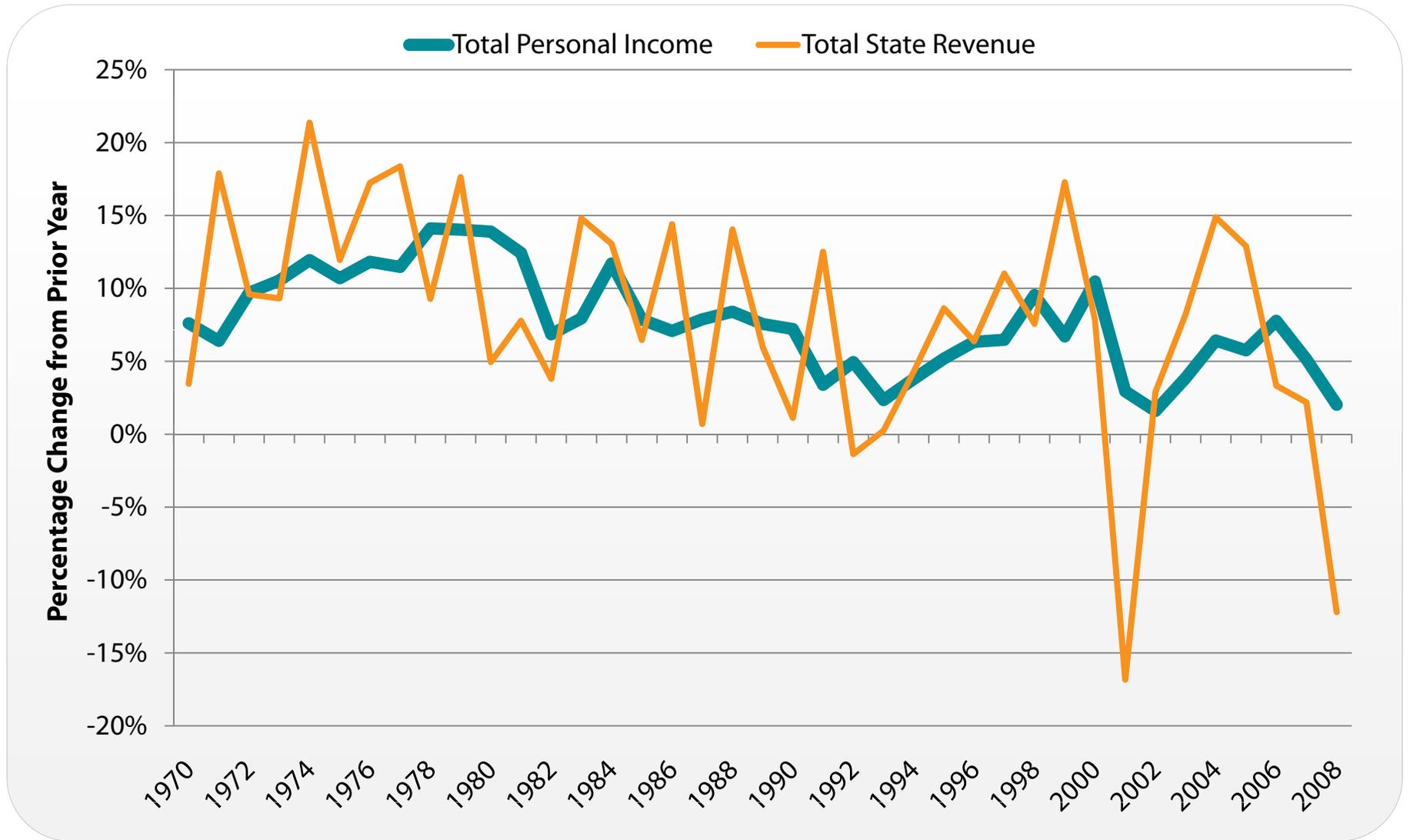
The Challenge:
The Economy is
Evolving

CA Must Compete in a Global Economy

Economic Performance of California Cities

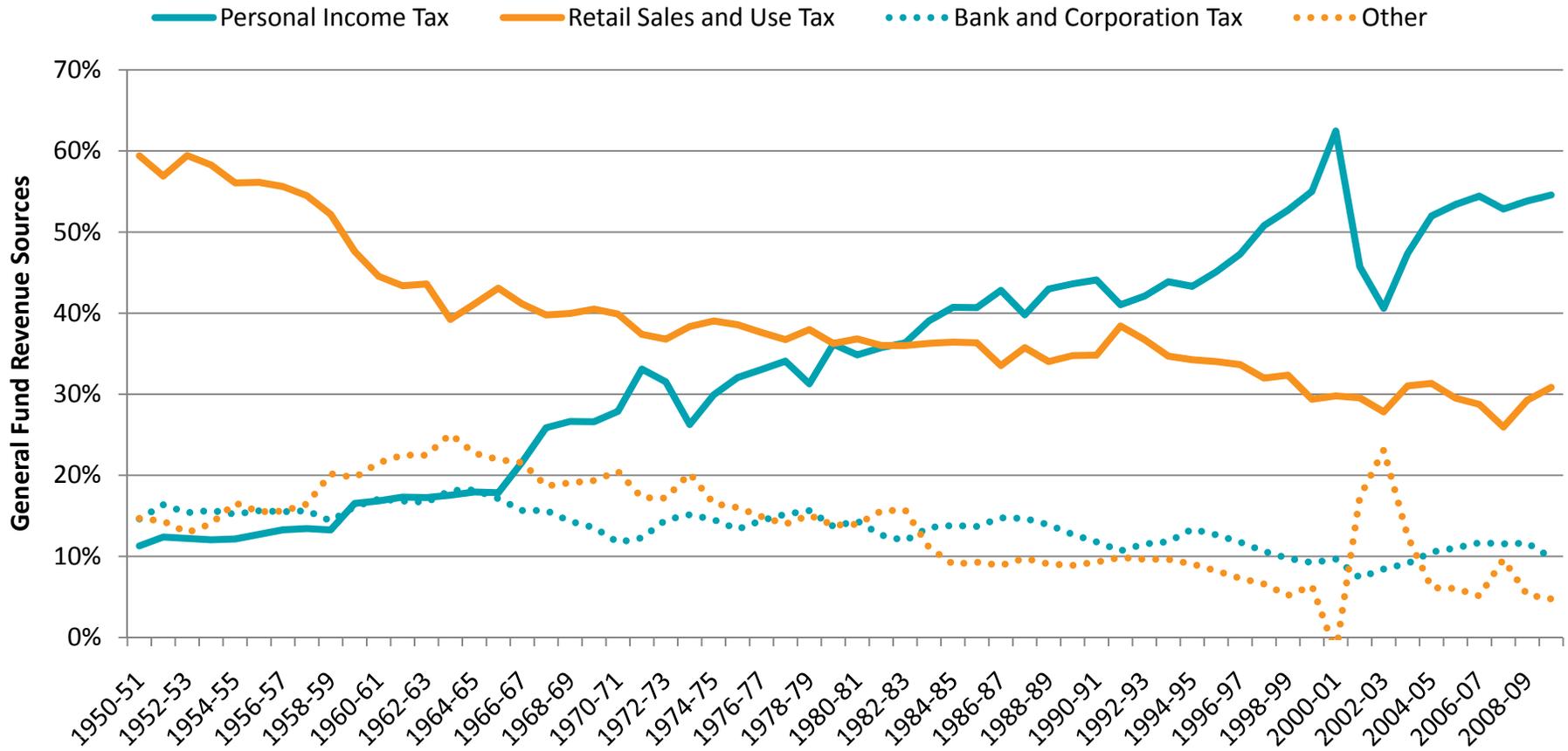


Right Now, Government Isn't Keeping Up



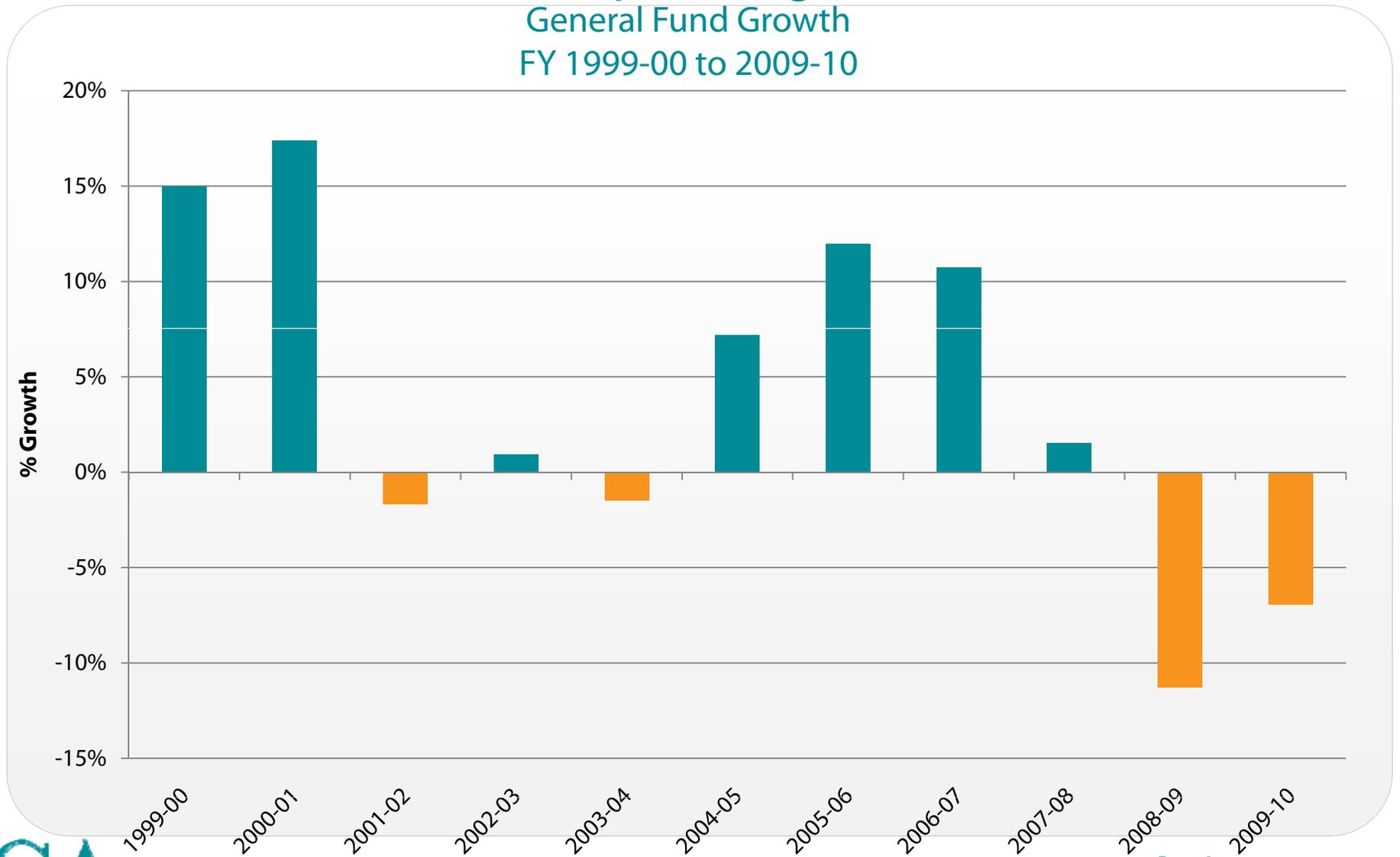
Revenue Trends Over Time

1950-2010



Revenue volatility means erratic patterns in spending

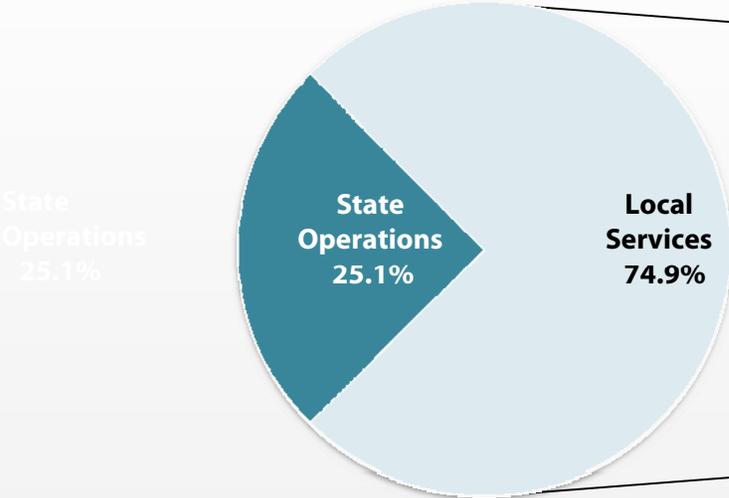
General Fund Growth
FY 1999-00 to 2009-10



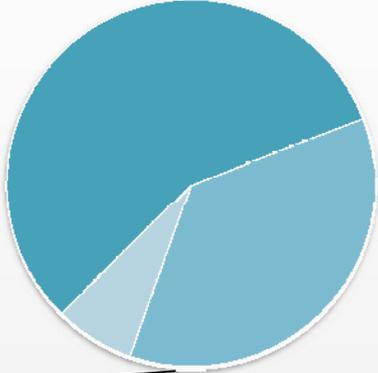
How Dysfunction Travels

CA Local Services Expenditures FY 2007-08

General Fund Expenditures



Local Services



- K-14 Education - 56.7%
- Health and Human Services - 36.2%
- Other - 7.1%

We must change.

Improve Government Performance

- Government must be innovative and responsive.
 - Accelerate Decisions
 - Cost Efficiencies
 - Boost Results

Move Government Closer to the People

We live in communities, work in regional economies.

- Community governments must be empowered to:
 - Collaborate locally
 - Coordinate regionally
 - Ensure excellence statewide

Invest in the Future

- To be globally competitive and grow middle class jobs, state government must:
 - Be responsive to community and regional needs
 - Create the conditions for capital investment
 - Make smart public investments

Promote a Viable, Inclusive and Responsive Democracy

- The Information Age increases opportunities to strengthen the civic relationship:
 - Reinvent representative democracy
 - Reinvent direct democracy
 - Create new modes of democracy

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