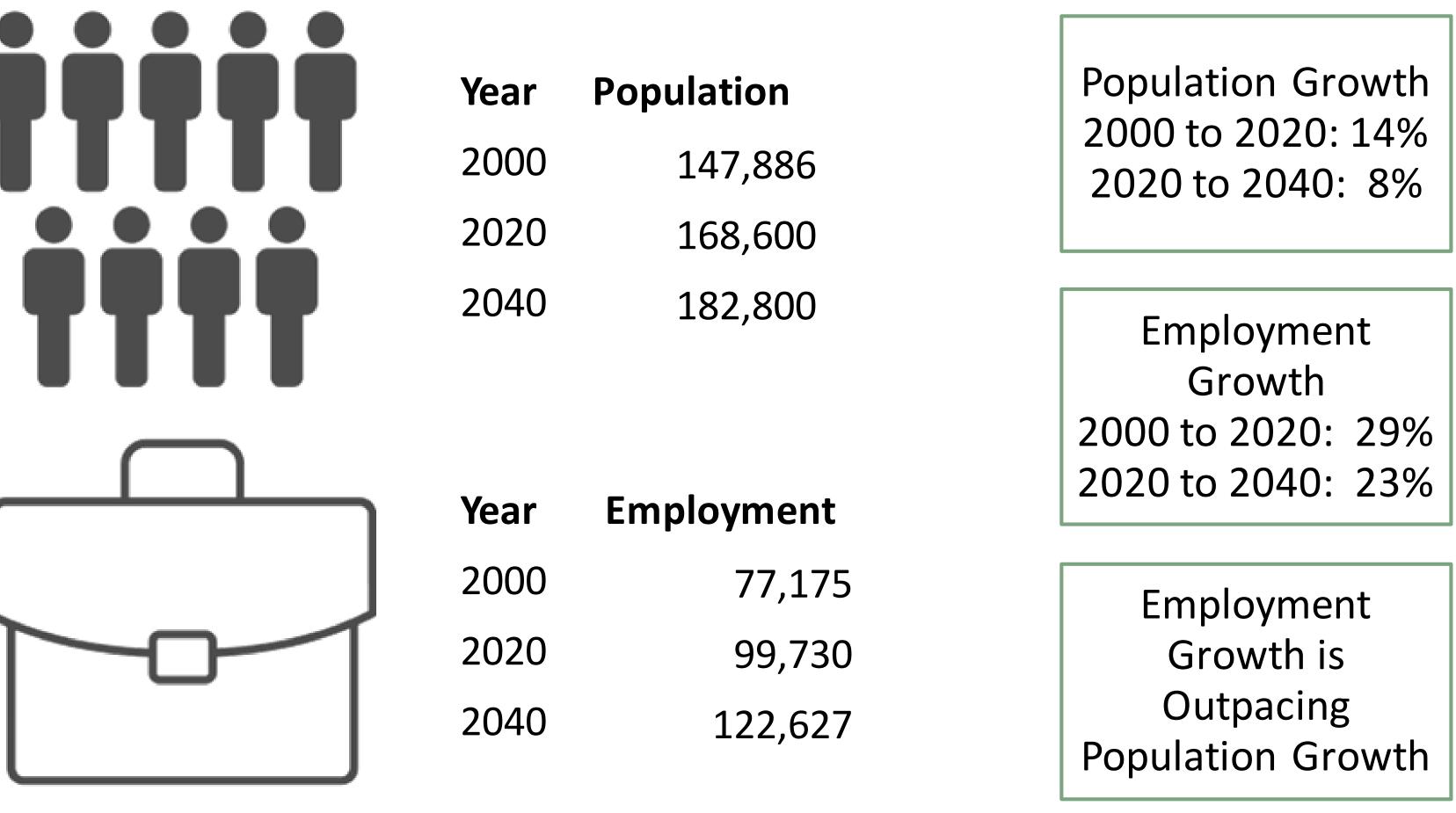
Perspectives 2040 - Greene County Future Land Use Plan Update Existing Conditions: Population and Employment

People and jobs are the two most significant drivers of land use change. It is important to understand what trends there have been in Greene County so we can plan for their needs.

People and Jobs

Since 2000, there has been modest growth in population and employment in Greene County. This growth is expected to continue for the next 20 years.

The Largest Drivers of Land Use Change are People and Jobs.



Sources: Population 2000 – 2010: US Decennial Censuses; 2020 – 2040: MVRPC Demographic Forecast; Employment: MVRPC LRTP and Forecasts

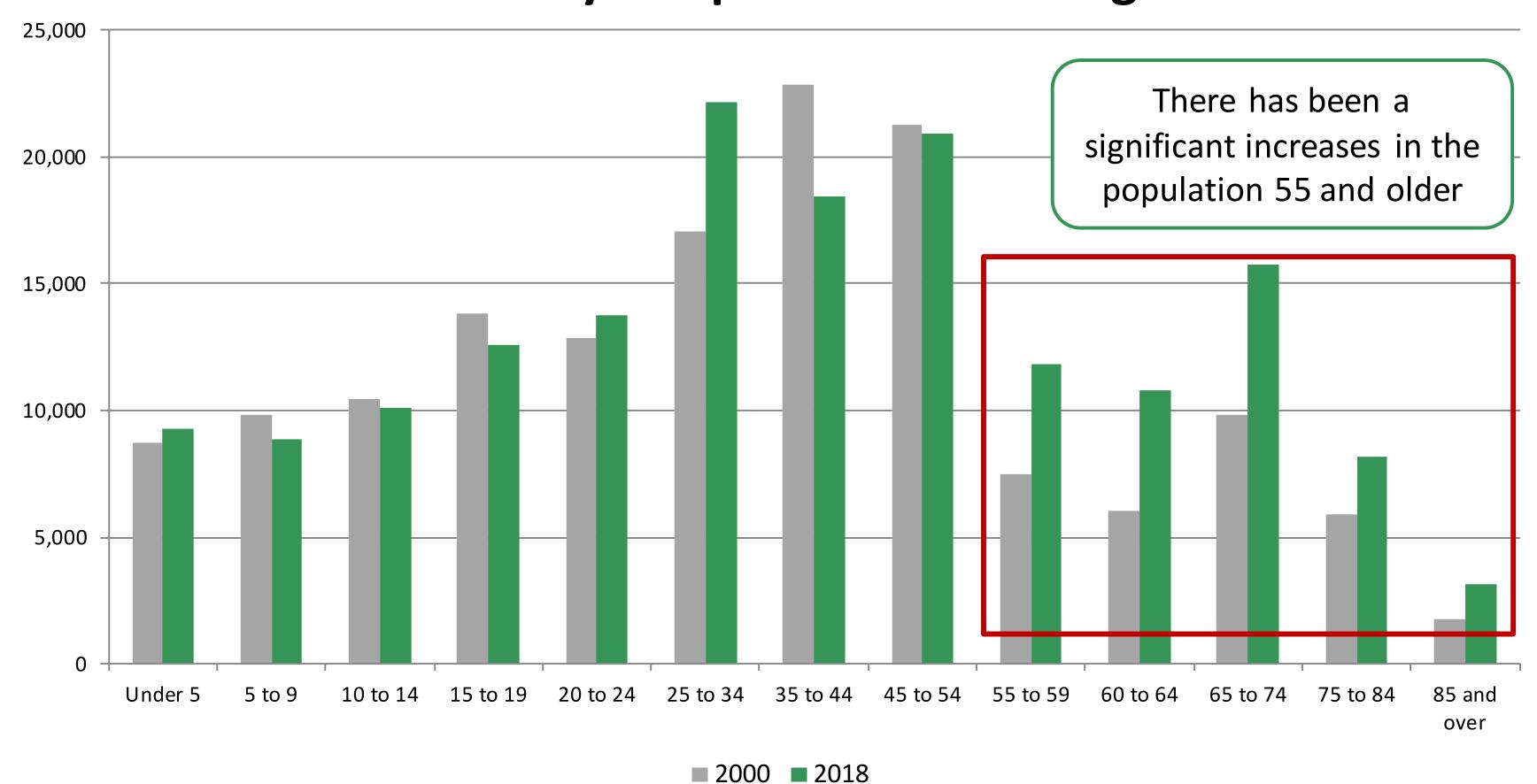
Employment is growing at a faster rate than population which means Greene County is growing as an employment center. Greene County is home to Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, the largest single site employer in Ohio. Continued mission growth at WPAFB has contributed to employment growth. Likewise, Greene County is home to several major retail hubs that serve as regional shopping destinations.



Key Demographic Indicators

Age is an important demographic measure to consider as we develop the future land use plan. It helps us understand what a community may need over time. If the population is young we may need more schools or if the population is older, then we need to develop communities that allow for aging in place.

Greene County's Population is Getting Older.



Sources: 2000 Decennial Census; 2014 – 2018 American Community Survey 5-year Estimates

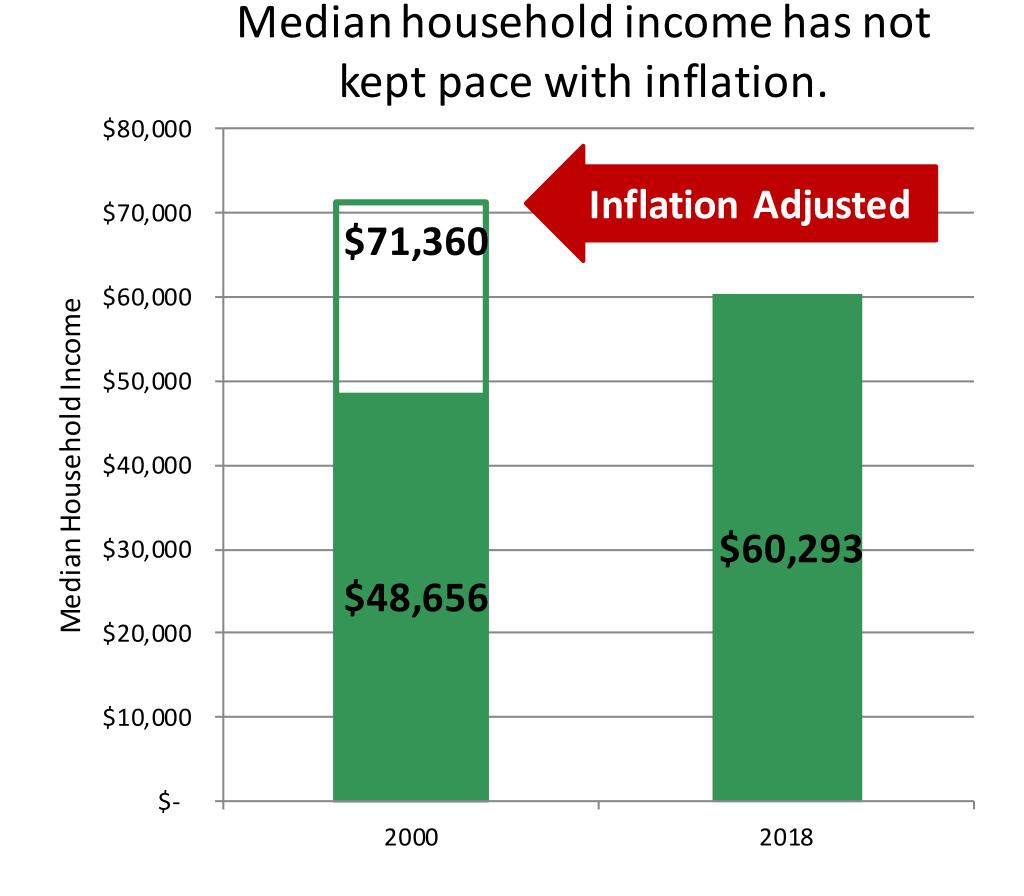
Poverty status is also an important indicator because we want to develop communities that allow everyone to prosper.

The Number of Individuals Under the Poverty Level has Increased.

In 2000, **11,800** individuals were under the poverty level. This was 8.5% of the total population.



In 2018, **19,100** individuals were under the poverty level. This was 12.2% of the total population.



Sources: 2000 Decennial Census; 2014 – 2018 American Community Survey 5-year Estimates

