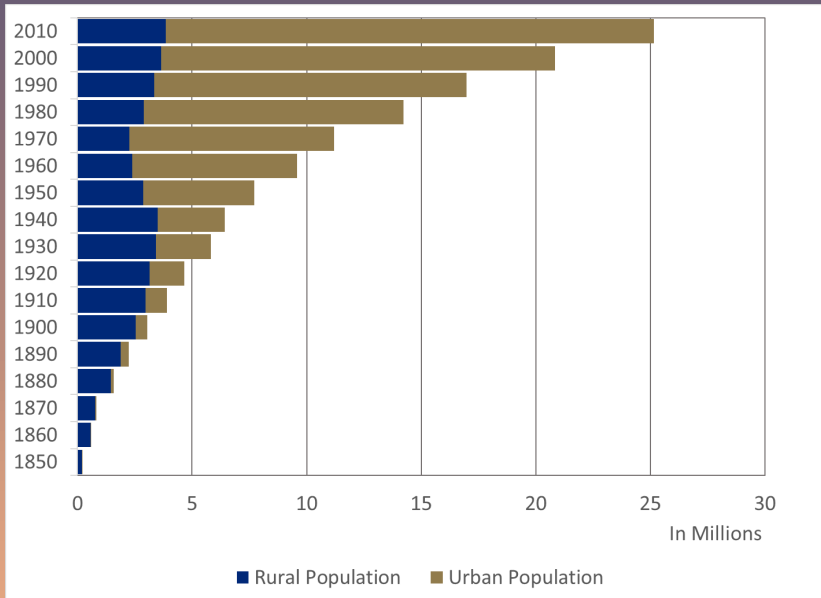


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Texas Urban-Rural Population Shares, 1850 to 2010



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Table 13, 1980 PC80-1-1, Table 16, 1990 CPH-2-1, Table 25, 1990 CPH-2-1, and Table 1, 2010 CPH-2-45

In contemporary Texas, the vast majority of population growth occurs in metropolitan areas. With every decennial census since 1850, the state's population share in what are today's metropolitan counties has increased, while the population share of the non-metropolitan counties has declined. If current trends continue, 95 percent of the state's future growth will occur in metropolitan counties.