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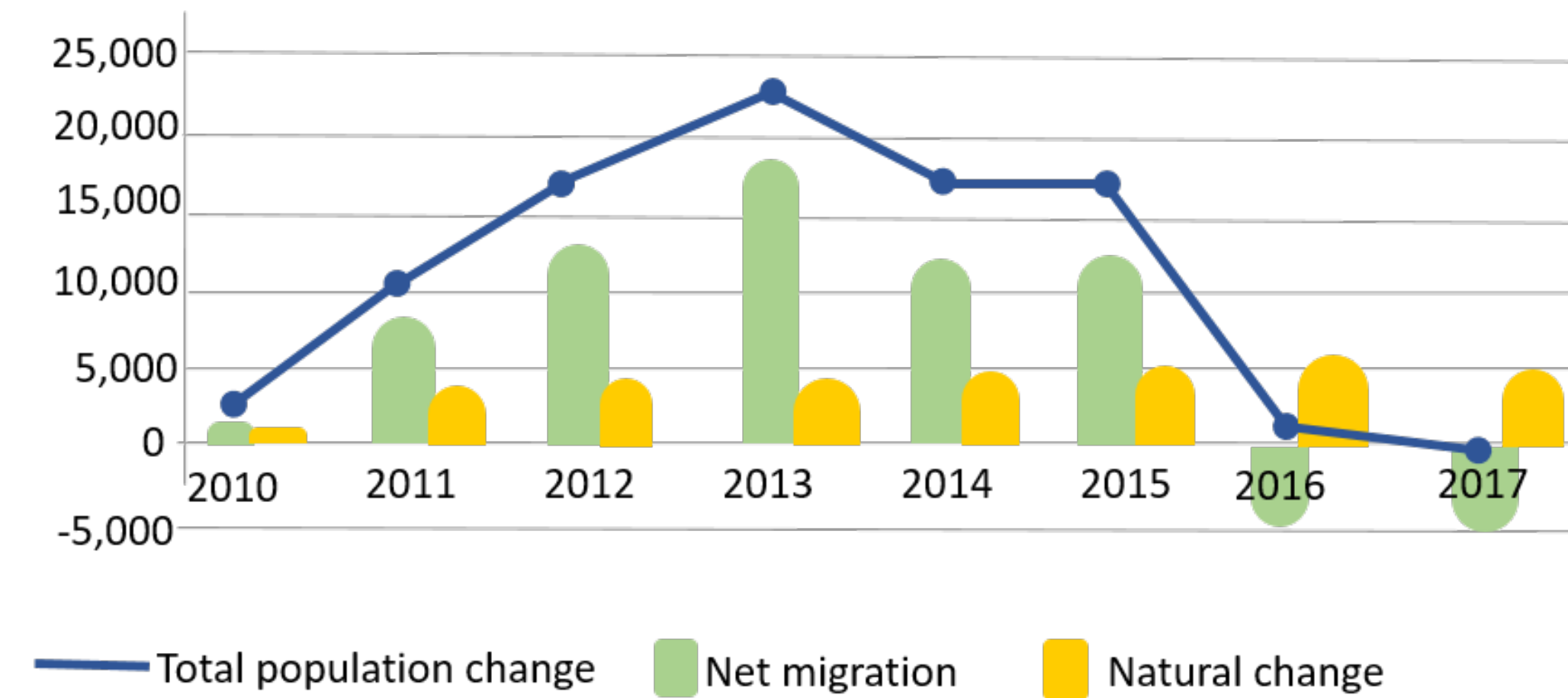
KEY TRENDS in NORTH DAKOTA

North Dakota's population holds steady.

After years of continuous growth, North Dakota's population remained relatively unchanged from 2016 to 2017 totaling 755,393 residents in 2017.

The modest population change can be attributed to the stabilization of the birth rate and out-migration. Over the past two years North Dakota experienced a larger number of people leaving than entering the state, a negative net migration of 4,684 residents in 2016 and 5,164 residents in 2017 which is in contrast to the previous six years when North Dakota had more people entering than leaving the state.

Population change by components of change

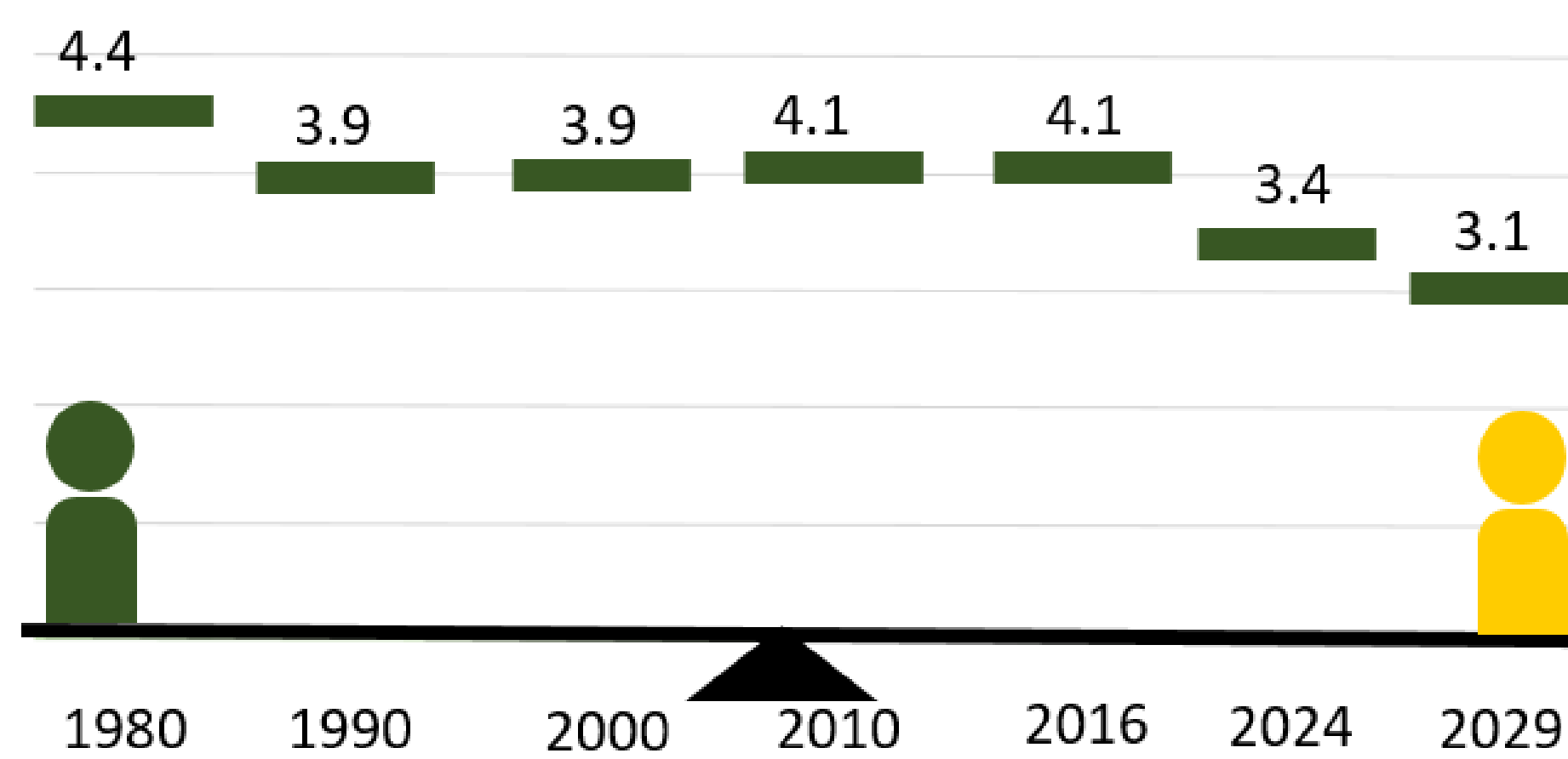


The aging of North Dakota's population may pose workforce challenges in the future.

With the aging of the baby boom generation, the share of older adults in the state's population is expected to increase from 14.5 percent in 2016 to 18.0 percent by 2029. In contrast, the share of the working-age population (age 20-64) is projected to decrease from 59.3 percent of the total population in 2016 to 55.4 percent in 2029.

These demographic changes will potentially reduce the number of workers in relation to the population needing support. Even with the influx of more working-age people into the state, the ratio is projected to decrease from 4.1 working-age adults to every one older adult in 2016 to 3.1 working-age adults per every older adult by 2029.

Number of working-age adults (20-64) for every older adult (65+)



NORTH DAKOTA State of the State

Topic	National Rank	Key Measures	Current	Previous
AGING	20	Adults (age 65+) with at least one disability	34.2%	35.9%
	7	Adults (age 65+) who volunteer	32.9%	39.0%
	22	Median income, head of household (age 65+)	\$41,084	\$37,439
CHILDREN & YOUTH	-	High schoolers who trust at least one adult	84.3%	85.6%
	29	High schoolers who binge drink	17.6%	21.9%
	16	High schoolers who have ever had sex	38.9%	44.9%
CIVIC ENGAGEMENT	26	Voted in the last presidential election	60.9%	59.8%
	7	Residents (age 16+) who volunteer	32.0%	32.7%
EARLY CHILDHOOD	6	Babies born at low birth weight	6.6%	6.2%
	50	Children enrolled in preschool	28.6%	36.0%
	8	Children (under age 6) with working parents	73.5%	66.1%
ECONOMY	50	Annual change in real Gross Domestic Product	-6.5%	-3.1%
	-	Total nonfarm jobs	434,800	453,500
	17	Median household income	\$60,656	\$61,324
	10	Poverty rate	10.7%	11.0%
EDUCATION	-	3 rd graders who are proficient in reading	50.4%	46.9%
	-	8 th graders who are proficient in math	35.6%	34.7%
	14	Students who graduate high school on time	87.3%	86.3%
ENVIRONMENT	47	Population with low access to a grocery store	30.7%	-
	-	Days air quality was rated "good" (Williams County)	94.5%	82.2%
HEALTH	36	Adults (age 18+) who are obese	31.9%	31.0%
	9	Adults (age 18+) with diabetes	8.6%	8.7%
	21	Residents (under age 65) who are uninsured	8.1%	8.9%
HOUSING	40	Homeownership rate	63.2%	61.7%
	1	Households that are cost burdened	22.5%	22.4%
WORKFORCE	1	Proportion of adults (age 16-64) working	79.3%	78.5%
	27	Adults (age 25+) with a bachelor's degree or higher	29.6%	29.1%
	37	Graduation rate at 4-year institutions (within 6 years)	51.1%	50.0%

Population at a Glance

	2000		2016	
	Number	Percentage	Number	Percentage
Overall population	642,200	-	755,393**	-
Children & youth (age 0-17)	160,849	25.0%	176,311	23.3%
Working age residents (age 20-64)	364,258	56.7%	449,098	59.3%
Older adults (age 65+)	94,478	14.7%	109,999	14.5%
People of color (non-white)	53,051	8.3%	113,825	15.0%
American Indian population	31,329	4.9%	41,596	5.5%
Individuals with at least one disability	-	-	85,328	11.5%
Individuals (age 25+) with a bachelor's degree or higher	89,843	22.0%	146,323	29.6%
People in poverty	73,457*	11.9%	78,464	10.7%

*Numbers from 1999; ** Numbers from 2017

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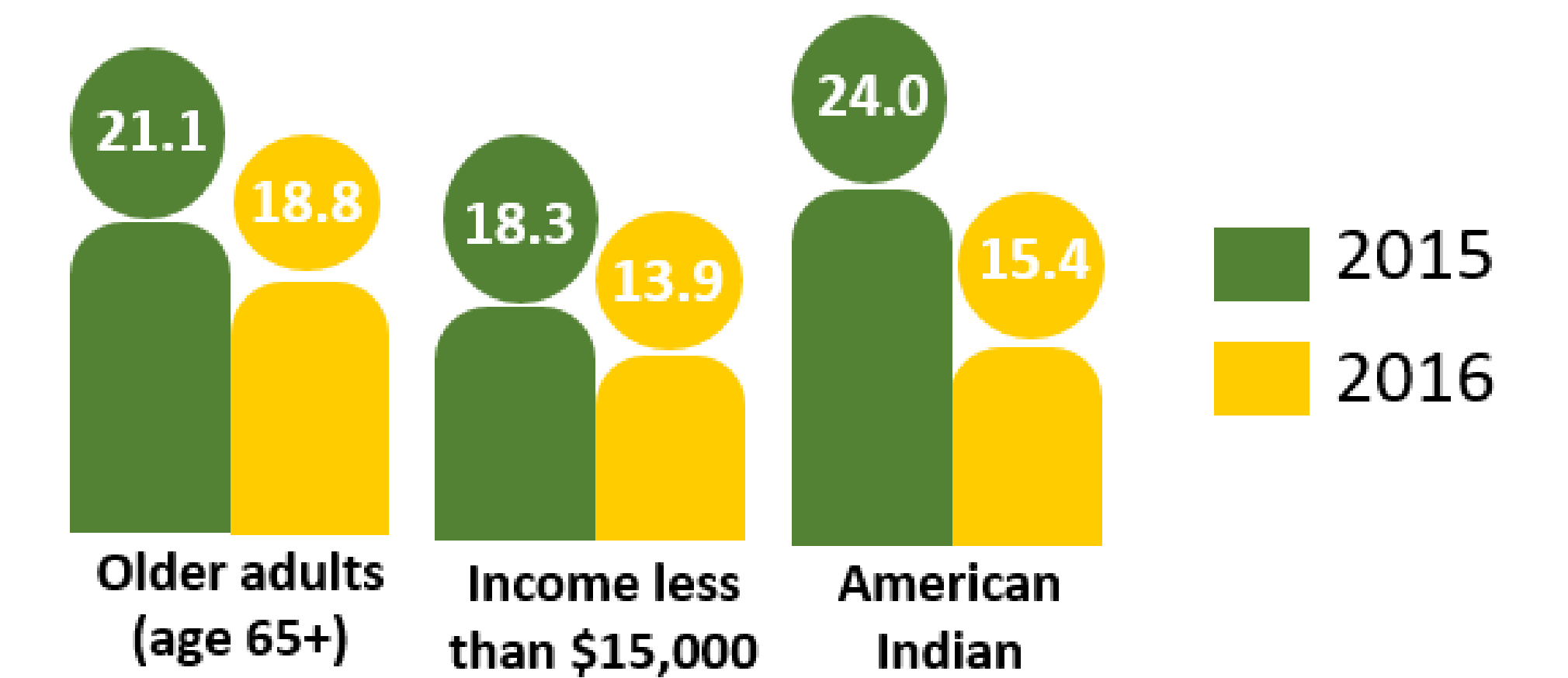
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Diabetes rates for those at most risk decreased in North Dakota in 2016.

In North Dakota 1 in 11 adults (age 18 and older) had diagnosed diabetes in 2016 (8.6%). The diabetes rate for adults in North Dakota remained fairly constant since 2012 and lower than the national average.

In addition, population groups at highest risk for diabetes (i.e., older adults, people living in very low income households, and the American Indian population) saw a decrease in the diabetes rates from 2015 to 2016.

Percentage of adults diagnosed with diabetes



North Dakota adults are becoming more educated compared to 2000.

In 2016, approximately 9 in 10 adults (age 25 and older) had at least a high school diploma or GED (92.4%), and nearly 1 in 3 adults (29.6%) had a bachelor's degree or higher. About 8 percent of adults had less than a high school education.

When compared to 2000, educational attainment increased in North Dakota. The percentage of adults with less than high school education decreased from 2000 to 2016, while the percentage of adults with an associate's degree or higher increased during the same time period.

Educational attainment of adults

