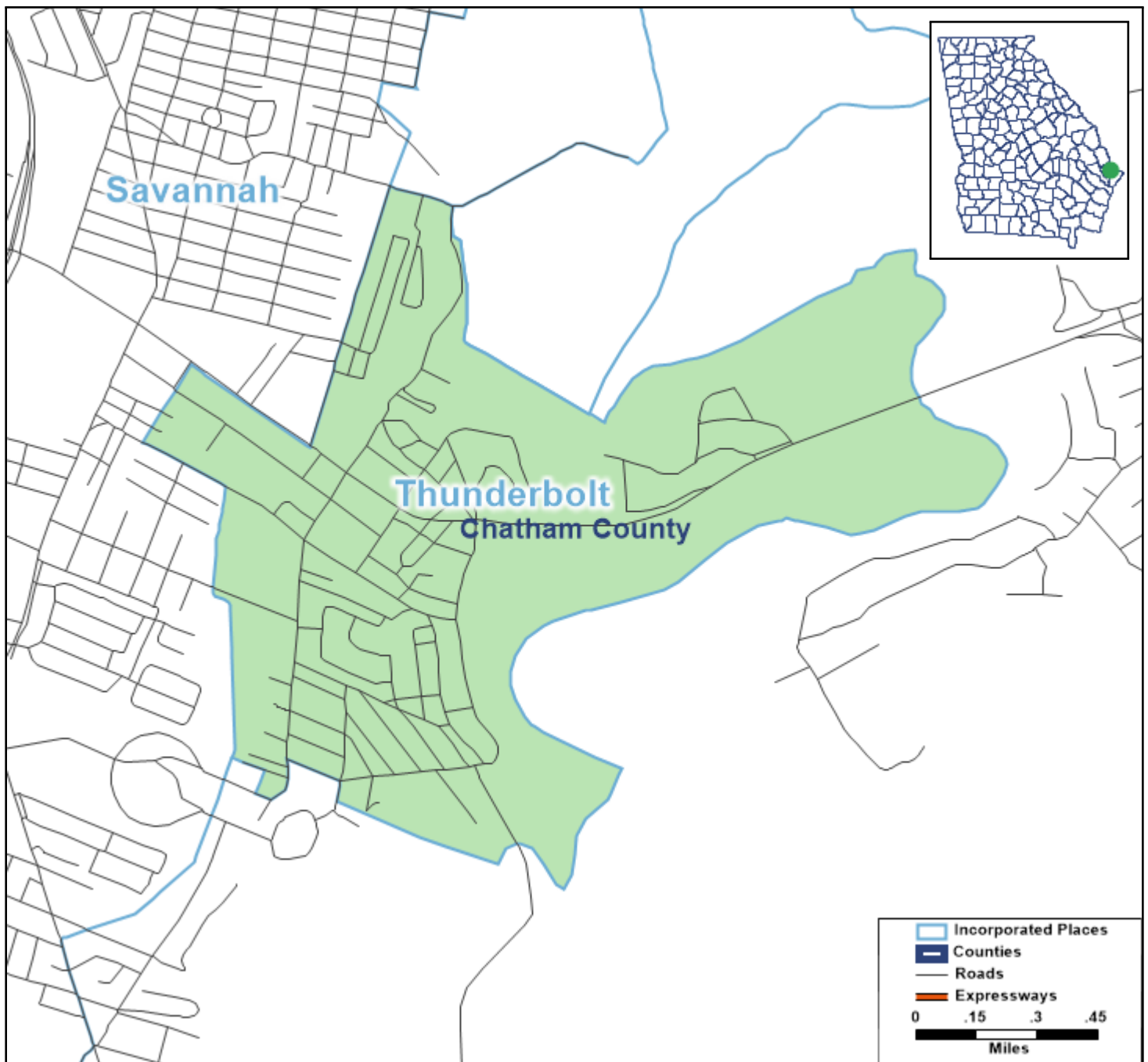# Thunderbolt: 2024 GMA Member City Data Profile

This document presents a concise profile of Thunderbolt based on the following three topic areas:

Demographic and Social Data

- Population
- Race and Ethnicity
- Age
- Household Type
- Citizenship
- Educational Attainment

Economic Data

- Labor Force Participation and Employment
- Industry
- Household Income
- Poverty
- Broadband Internet
- Health Insurance

Housing Data

- Occupancy
- Tenure and Mortgage Status
- Median Housing Costs
- Housing Cost-Burdened Households
- Vehicles Available
- Year Structure Built

All data in this profile reflect municipal boundaries as of January 1, 2022. Population totals are from the Census Bureau's City Population Estimates program, 2023 vintage; all other data come the from the Census Bureau's 2022 American Community Survey 5-year estimates. Please note that percents may not sum to 100% due to rounding.

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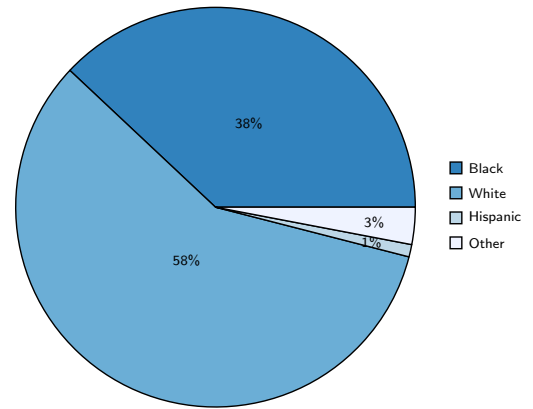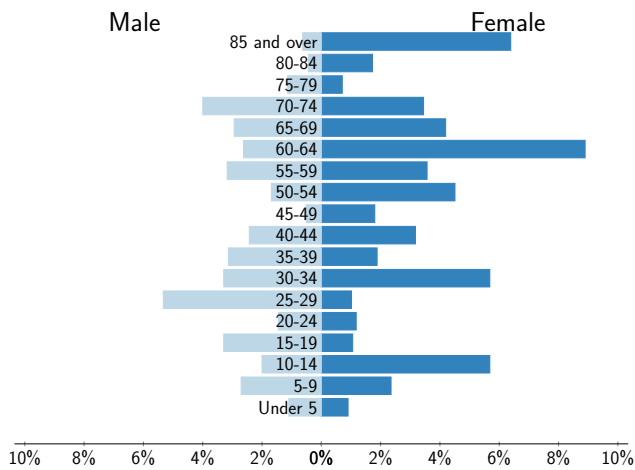
Thunderbolt: Demographic and Social

Population

2023 Population: 2,539
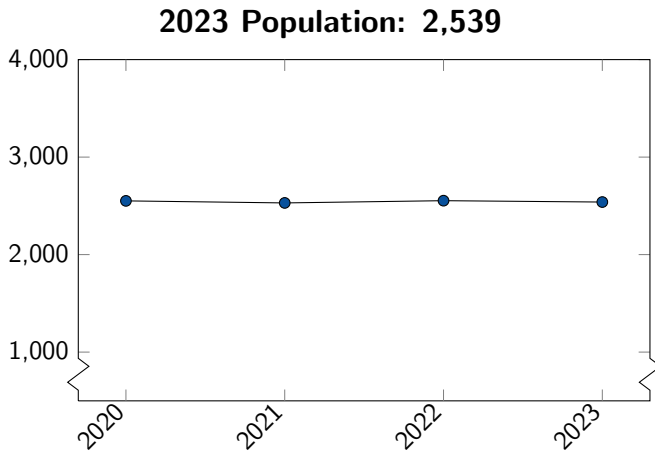
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, City Population Estimates, 2023 vintage

Race and Ethnicity

- Black — 38%
- White — 58%
- Hispanic — 3%
- Other — 1%

Source: American Community Survey, 2022 5-year estimates, table B03002

Age

Male | Female

Age	
85 and over	
80-84	
75-79	
70-74	
65-69	
60-64	
55-59	
50-54	
45-49	
40-44	
35-39	
30-34	
25-29	
20-24	
15-19	
10-14	
5-9	
Under 5	

Source: American Community Survey, 2022 5-year estimates, table B01001

Household Type

- Single-headed Family 14%
- Married Couple Family 24%
- Non-family 62%
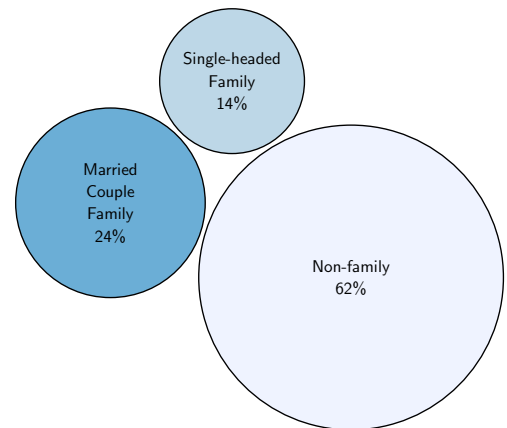
Source: American Community Survey, 2022 5-year estimates, table B11001

Citizenship

- Native Born 98%
- Not Citizen 1%
- Naturalized 1%
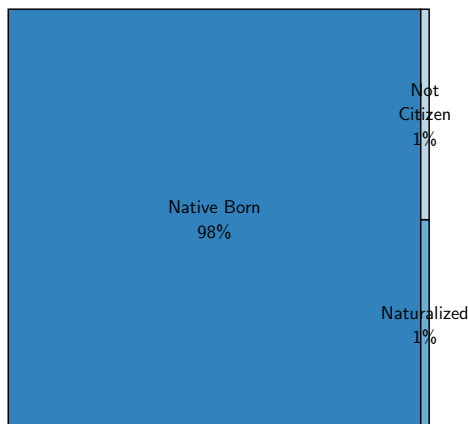
Source: American Community Survey, 2022 5-year estimates, table B05002

Educational Attainment

	BA or higher	Less than HS
Thunderbolt	37%	10%
Chatham County	36%	9%
Coastal RC	30%	10%
Georgia	34%	11%

Source: American Community Survey, 2022 5-year estimates, table B15002

Georgia Municipal Association
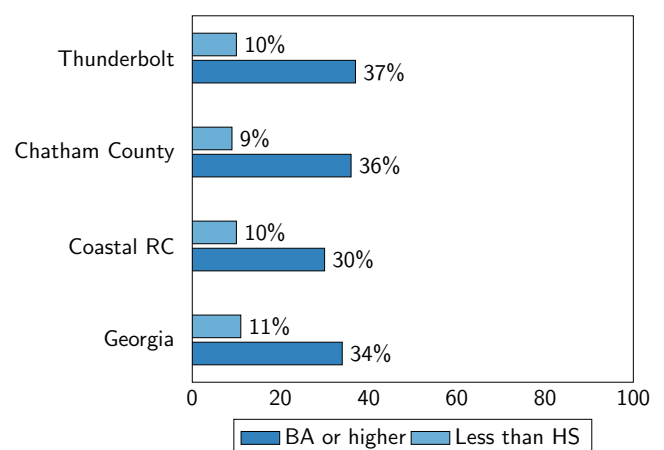
Thunderbolt: Economic

Labor Force Participation and Employment

Unemployment Rate: 3.6%†

- 61% — Civilian Employed
- 36% — Not in Labor force
- 2% — Unemployed
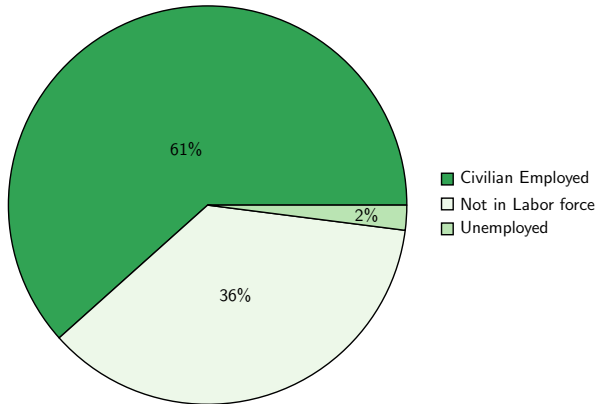
Source: American Community Survey, 2022 5-year estimates, table B23001
†**Note:** Unemployment rate is based upon the civilian labor force.

Industry

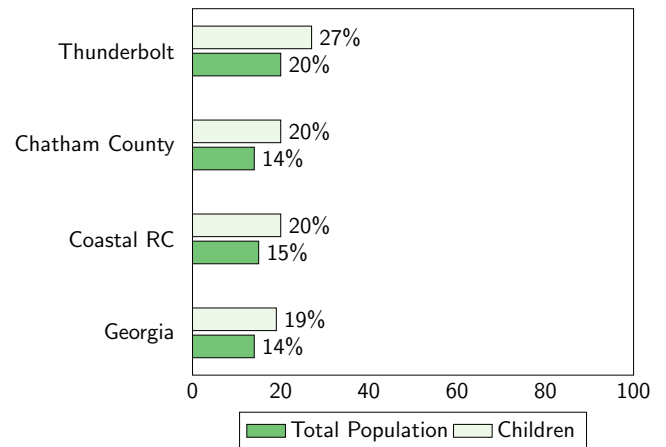|	
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting, and mining	0%
Construction	11%
Manufacturing	4%
Wholesale Trade	1%
Retail Trade	13%
Transportation and warehousing, and utilities	8%
Information	5%
Finance and insurance, real estate, rental, leasing	6%
Professional, scientific, mgt, administrative, waste mgt	9%
Educational services, and health care and social assistance	23%
Arts, entertainment, recreation, accommodation, food service	13%
Other services, except public administration	4%
Public administration	4%

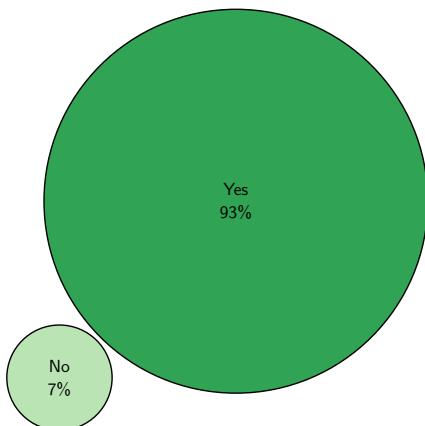Source: American Community Survey, 2022 5-year estimates, table C24030

Household Income

- Thunderbolt: Median $63,148; Mean $76,499
- Chatham County: Median $66,171; Mean $92,238
- Coastal RC: Median $65,545; Mean $88,666
- Georgia: Median $71,355; Mean $99,345
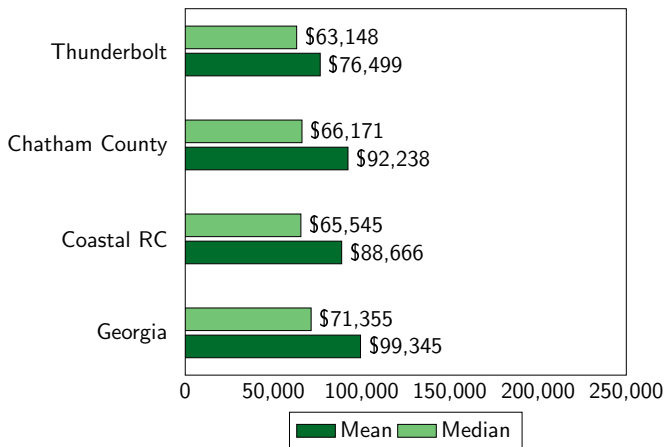
Source: American Community Survey, 2022 5-year estimates, tables B19013 and B19025

Poverty

- Thunderbolt: Children 27%; Total Population 20%
- Chatham County: Children 20%; Total Population 14%
- Coastal RC: Children 20%; Total Population 15%
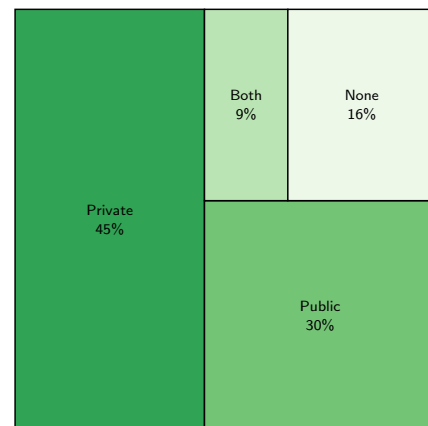- Georgia: Children 19%; Total Population 14%

Source: American Community Survey, 2022 5-year estimates, table B17010

Broadband Internet

- Yes 93%
- No 7%

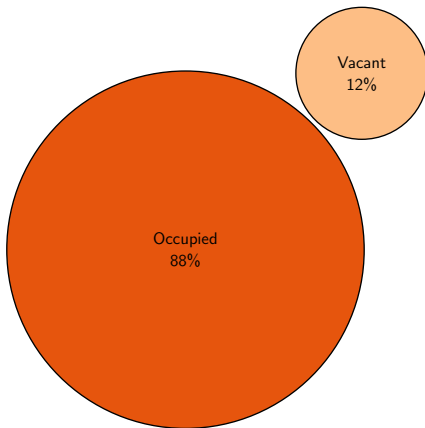Source: American Community Survey, 2022 5-year estimates, table B28002

Health Insurance

- Private 45%
- Both 9%
- None 16%
- Public 30%

Source: American Community Survey, 2022 5-year estimates, table B18135

Thunderbolt: Housing

Occupancy

Vacant
12%

Occupied
88%

Source: American Community Survey, 2022 5-year estimates, table B25002

Tenure and Mortgage Status

Renter
36%

Owner
without
Mortgage
20%

Owner
with
Mortgage
43%
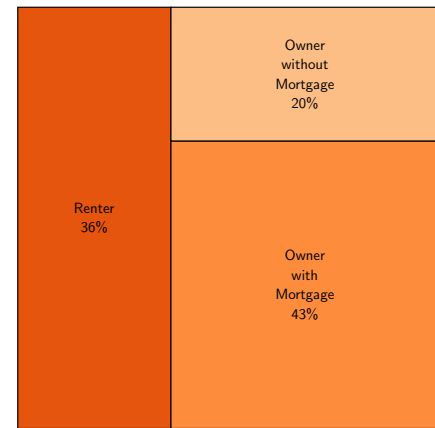
Source: American Community Survey, 2022 5-year estimates, tables B25009 and B25081

Median Housing Costs

Thunderbolt	$1,500 (Renters) / $1,562 (Owners)
Chatham County	$1,284 (Renters) / $1,301 (Owners)
Coastal RC	$1,169 (Renters) / $1,168 (Owners)
Georgia	$1,221 (Renters) / $1,207 (Owners)

Owners   Renters
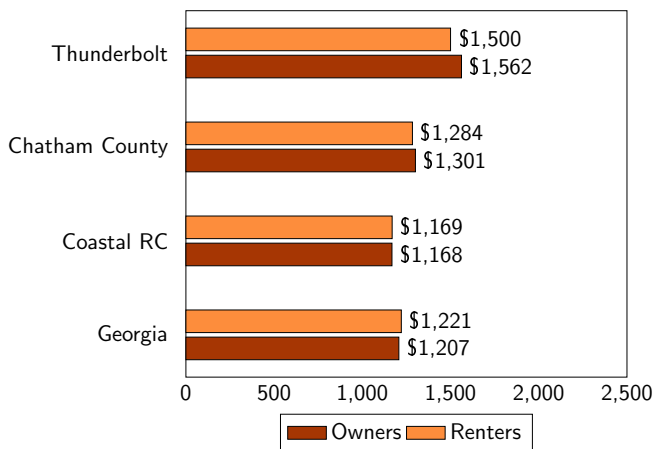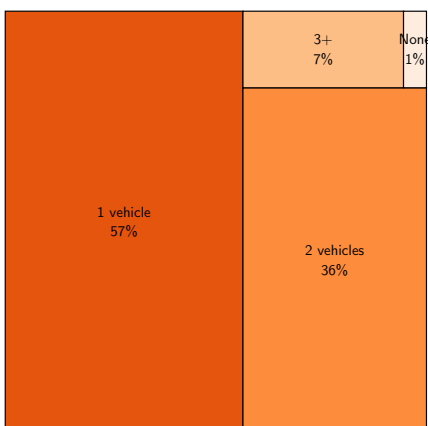
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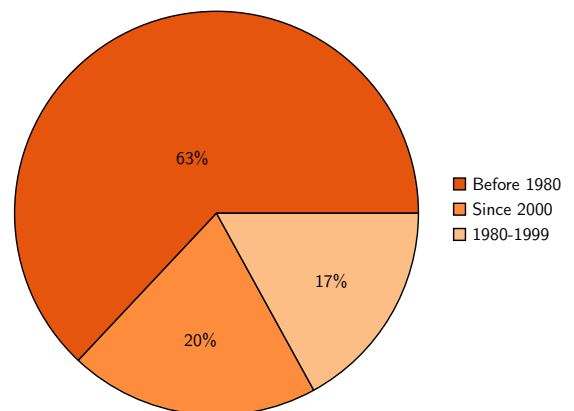
Housing Cost-Burdened Households

Thunderbolt	56% (Renters) / 35% (Owners)
Chatham County	52% (Renters) / 24% (Owners)
Coastal RC	49% (Renters) / 21% (Owners)
Georgia	50% (Renters) / 20% (Owners)

Owners   Renters
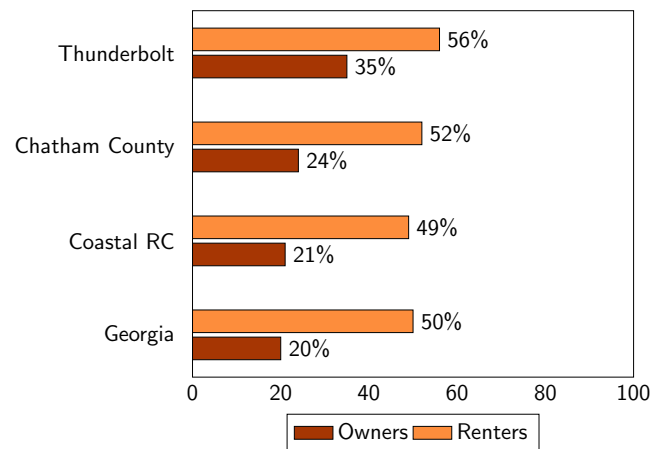
Source: American Community Survey, 2022 5-year estimates, tables B25091 and B25070

Vehicles Available

3+
7%

None
1%

1 vehicle
57%

2 vehicles
36%

Source: American Community Survey, 2022 5-year estimates, table B25044

Year Structure Built

63%

20%

17%

Before 1980
Since 2000
1980-1999

Source: American Community Survey, 2022 5-year estimates, table B25034

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