

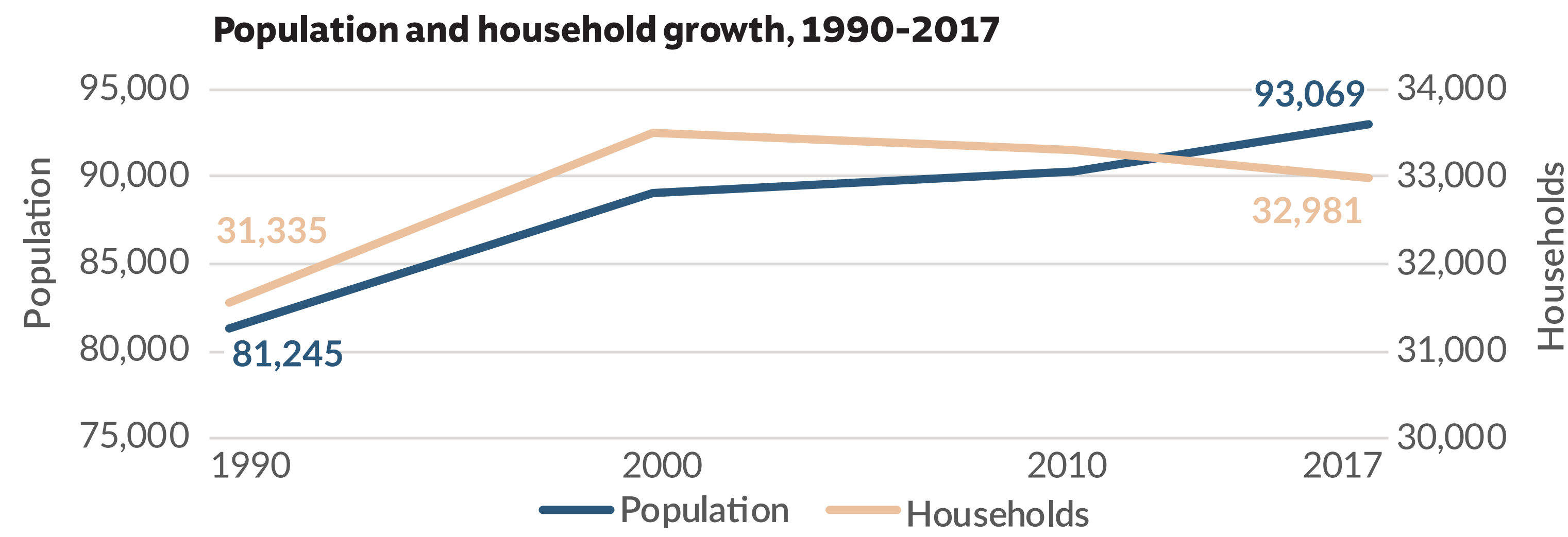
Lynn at a Glance Demographics

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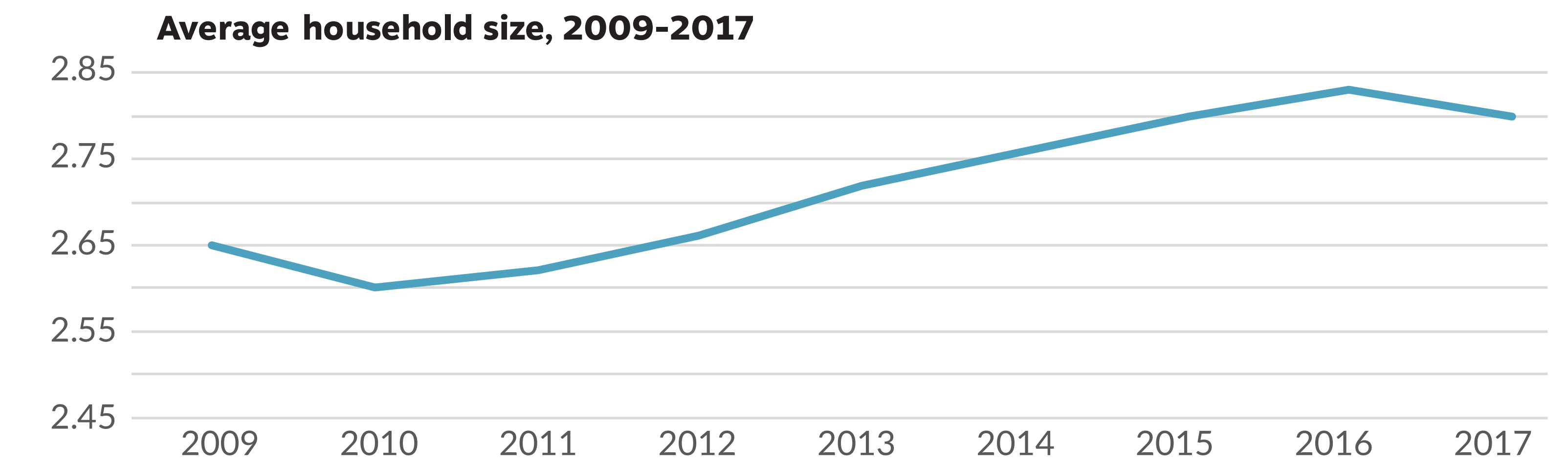
Lynn's population is increasing, but the number of households is decreasing...



Lynn's population has steadily grown over the last few decades to 93,069 people, though the city still has 9,000 people fewer than its peak population in 1930. The number of households grew from 1990 to 2000, but since then, the number of households has gone down.

Source: US Census, 2000-2010; American Community Survey, 2013-2017 5-year estimates

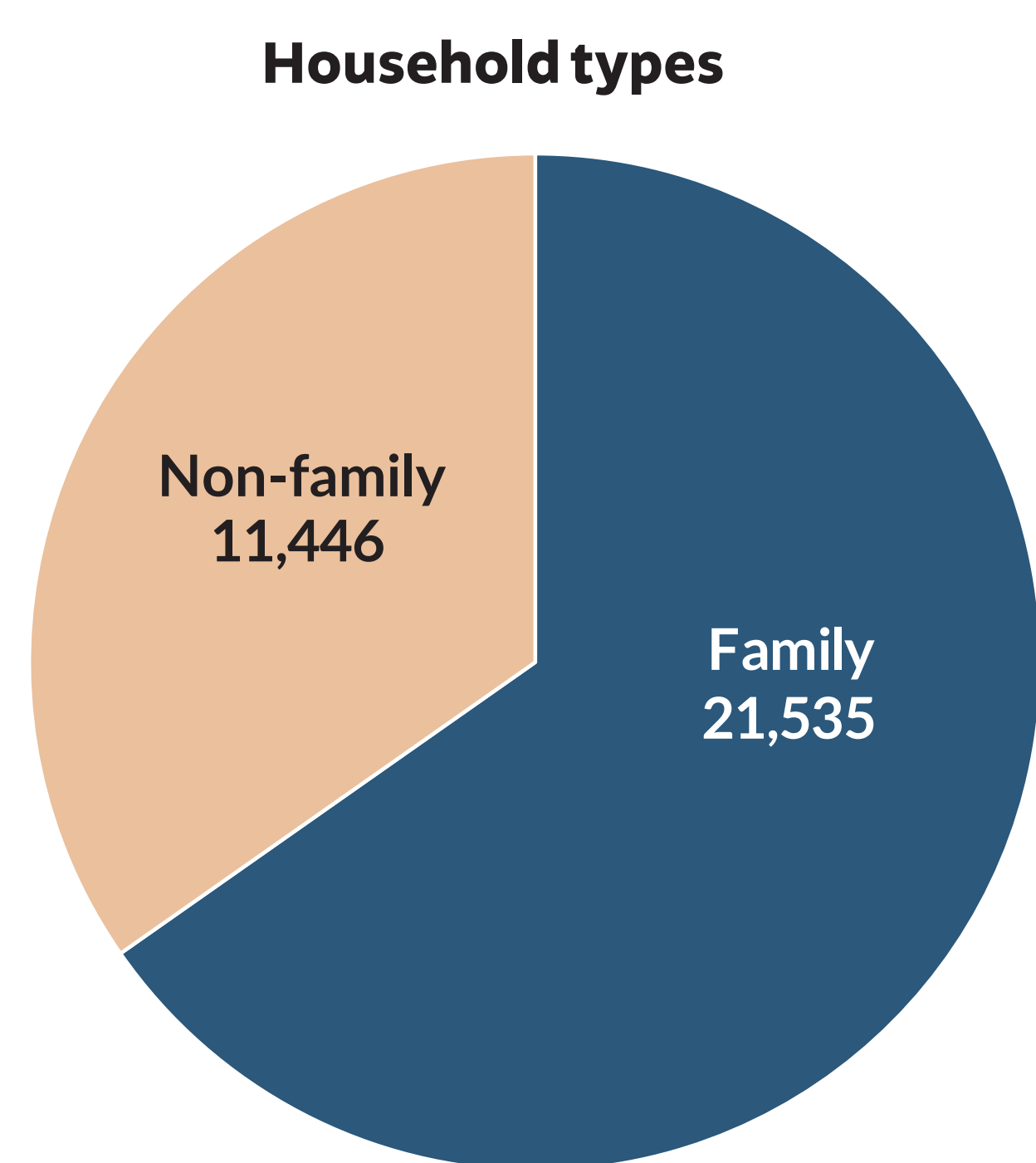
...Because average household size is going up.



Average household sizes in Lynn has been trending up since the late 2000s, with the average household size now at 2.80 people per household, due in part to growing family sizes. As housing gets more expensive, people are more likely to live with family or to live as roommates, increasing average household sizes.

Source: American Community Survey, 2005-2017 5-year estimates

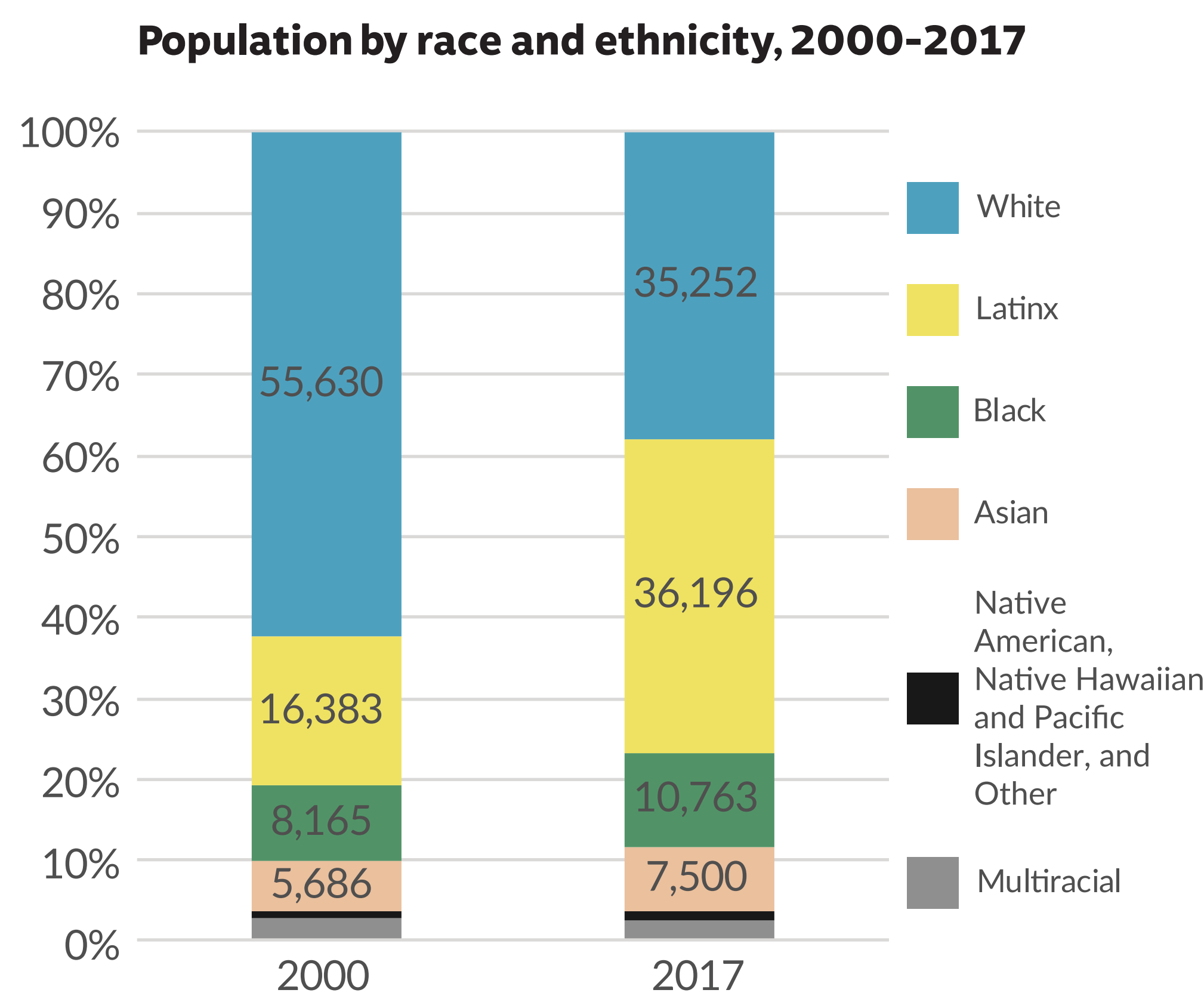
Most Lynn households are families



Families include any household with two or more related people. Non-family households can be individuals living alone or people living together as housemates.

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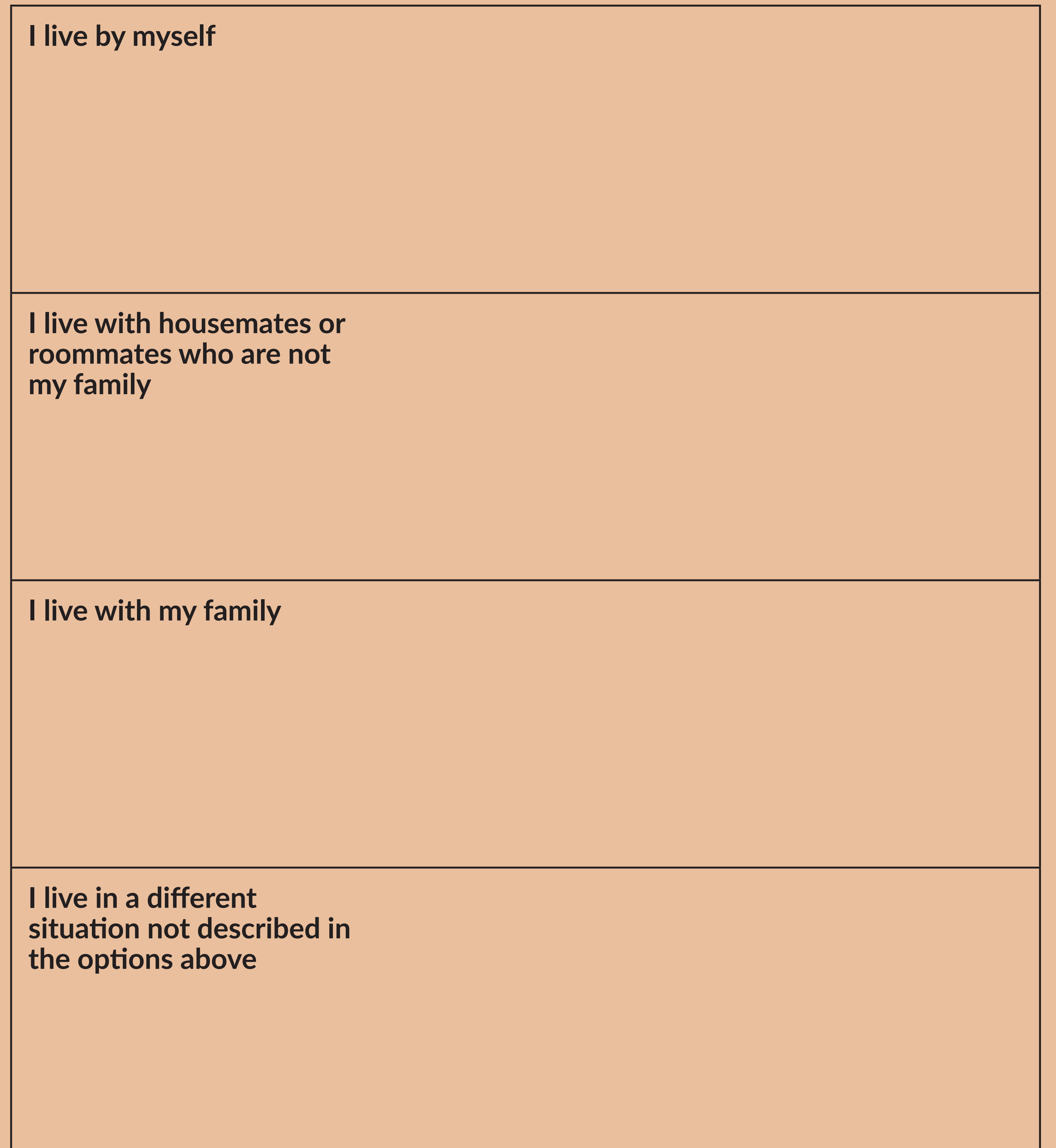
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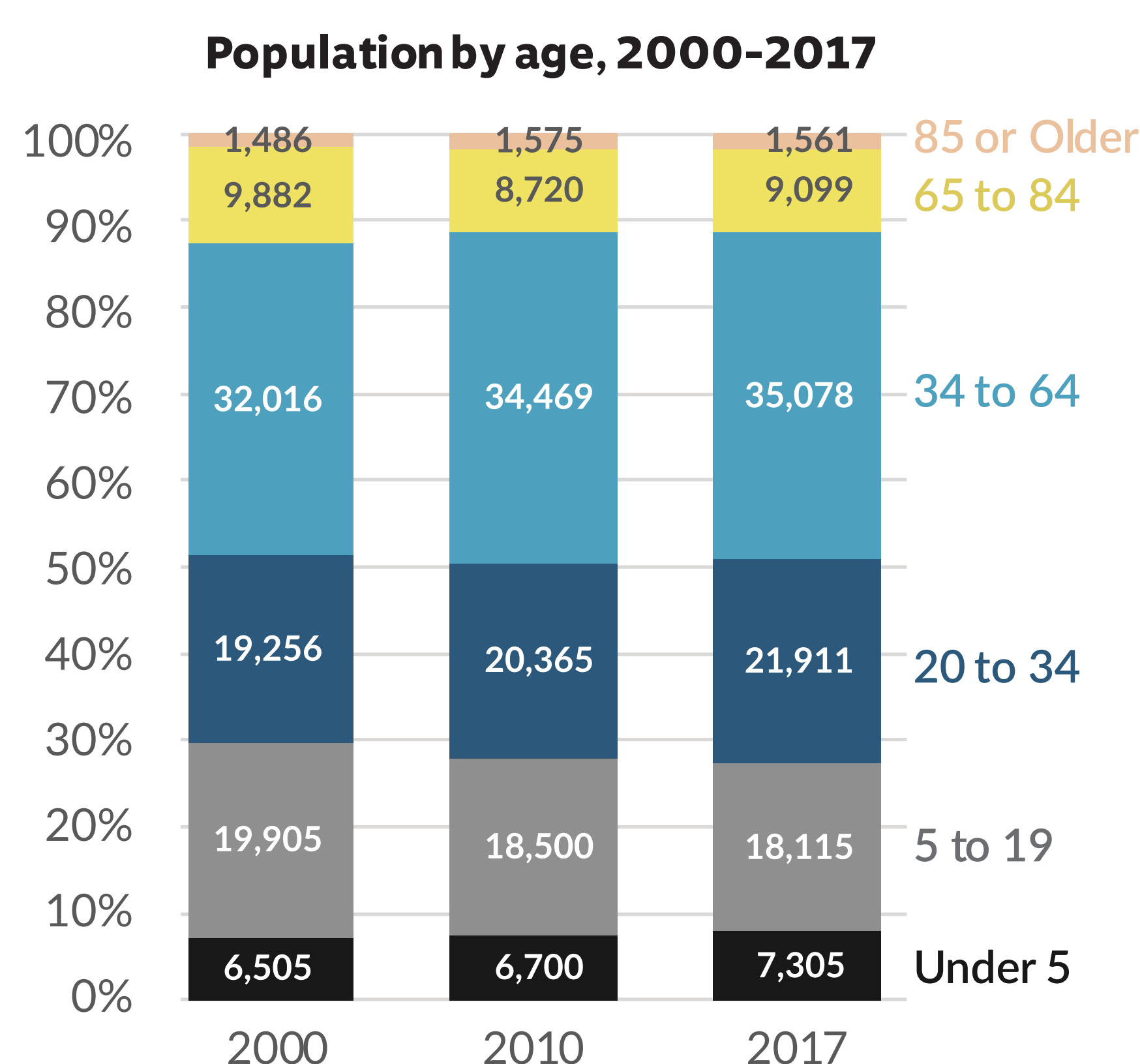
Most Lynn residents are people of color, but no single racial or ethnic group holds a majority. Latinx people of any race and non-Latinx white people are the two largest racial/ethnic groups in the city (39% and 38% of the population, respectively), followed by non-Latinx black and Asian people (12% and 8%, respectively). All other racial or ethnic groups compose the remaining 4% of residents.

Source: US Decennial Census, 2000; American Community Survey, 2013-2017 5-year estimates. The US Census Bureau treats Latinx identity as an ethnicity, while it treats other categories shown here as races. In this chart, Latinx corresponds to a person of any race who identifies as Hispanic or Latino on their census responses. All other categories only include people who do not identify as Hispanic or Latino.

What kind of household do you live in?



Lynn's population of small children and adults age 20-64 has been growing.

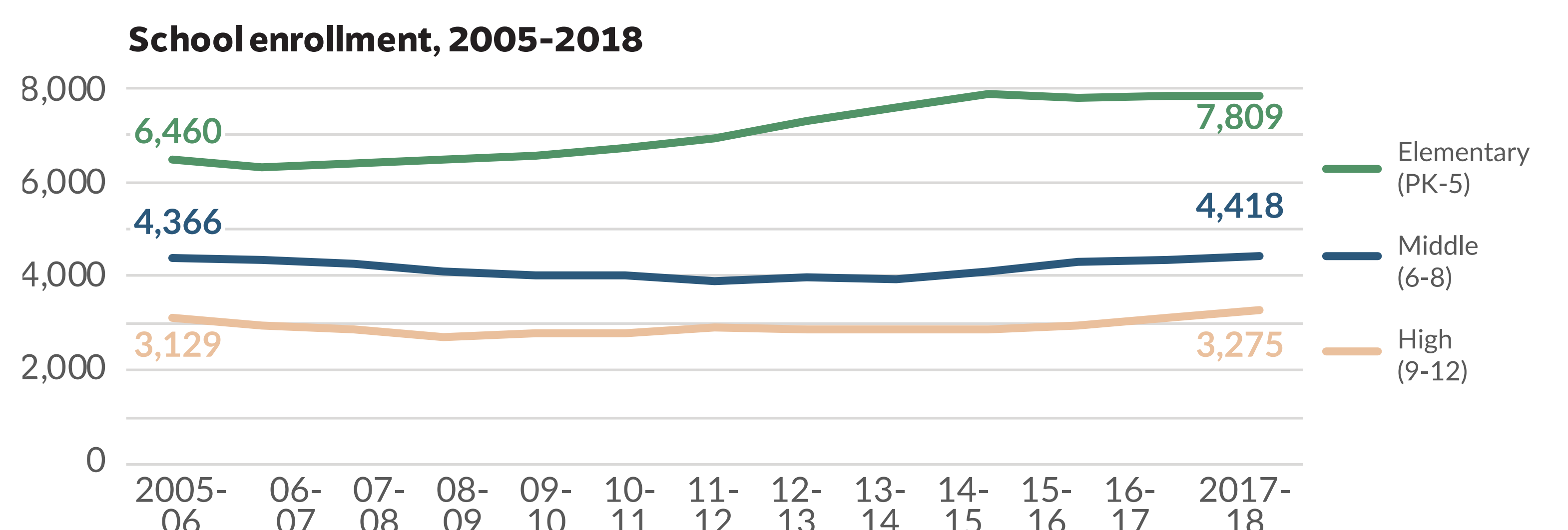


Since 2000, Lynn's population has seen steady increases in the number of children younger than five, younger adults ages 20-34, and adults age 35-64, as well as growth in the proportional size of each of those age groups.

Census Bureau estimates show a decreasing number of 5- to 19-year-olds in Lynn, but state data on Lynn's schools shows higher rates of enrollment, suggesting that age cohort is actually increasing. This discrepancy is likely partly due to under-reporting of Latinx people in the US Census and American Community Survey. Normal statistical error is another potential factor affecting the 2017 data point from the American Community Survey, since that estimate is based on a random sample of the population.

Source: US Decennial Census, 2000-2010; American Community Survey, 2013-2017 5-year estimates

School enrollment is growing, too, with most growth at the elementary school level.



School enrollment in Lynn grew 11% between academic years 2005-2006 and 2017-2018, from approximately 14,000 students to more than 15,500. Elementary schools experienced the most growth, adding about 1,500 new students in that period, representing a 21% increase in enrollment. Overall school enrollment had been dropping from academic year 2005-2006 to 2008-2009, but rebounded thereafter. Enrollment growth peaked in academic year 2014-2015 at nearly 500 new students in one year, more than 3% enrollment growth.

Source: MA DESE