Rensselaer County Community Health Needs Assessment

Sociodemographic Indicators
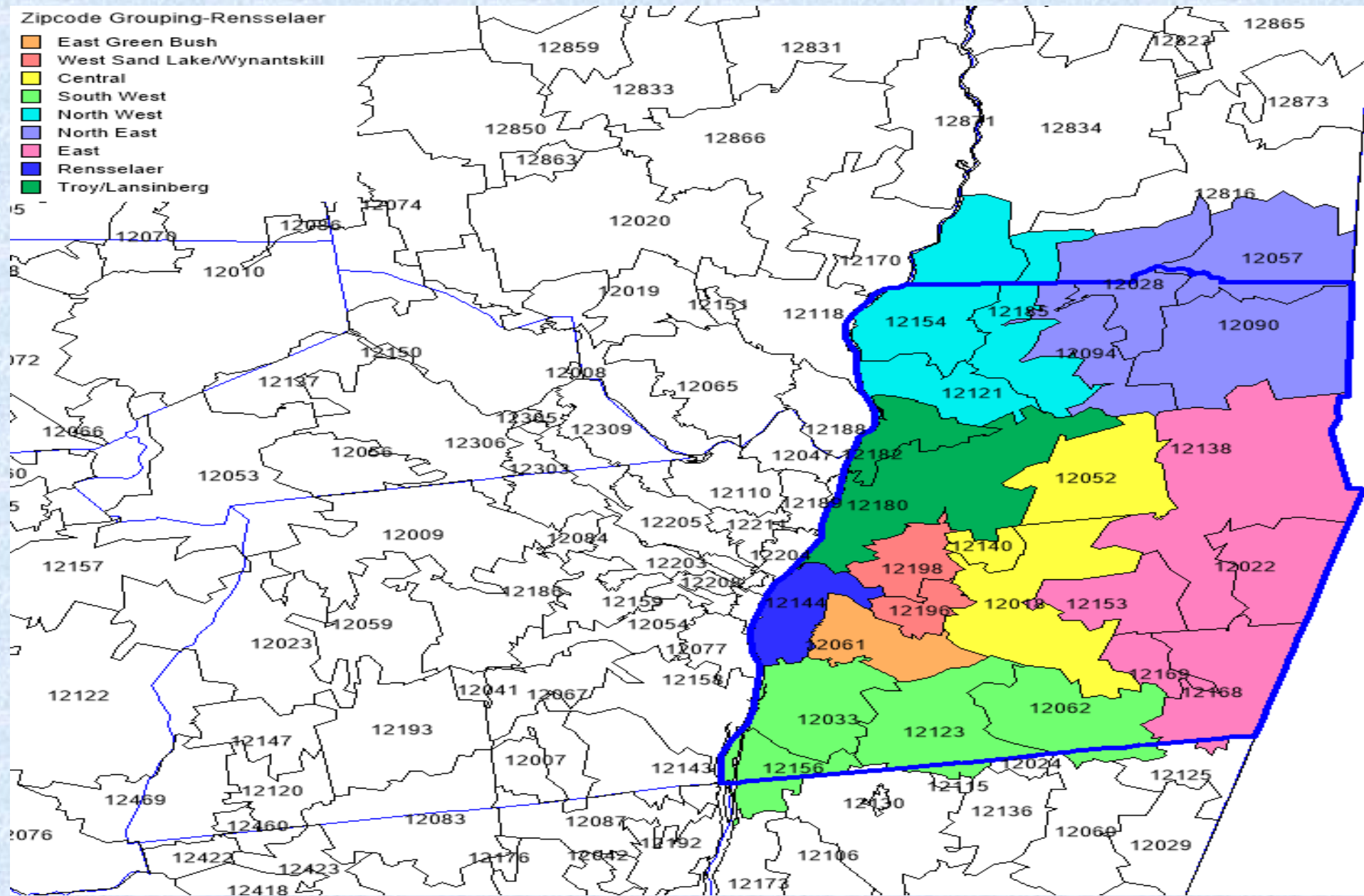
Executive Summary-Rensselaer County

- Rensselaer was 3rd most rural of the Capital Region(CR)counties (R-245.0 pop./square mile; CR-274.7).

- Rensselaer had the 2nd lowest median age of all CR counties (R-39.9; CR-40.2).

- North East neighborhood had the highest pop. 0-14 yrs. of age at 20.1% (R-17.0%); South West had the highest pop. 65+ yrs. of age at 16.9% (R-14.0%).

- Rensselaer had the 3d highest % Nonwhite pop. of all CR counties (R-12.3%; CR-14.9%), but the 2nd lowest % Hispanic pop. (R-4.0%; CR-4.4%).

- Troy/Lansingburgh (21.3%) had the largest Nonwhite pop., as well as the largest Hispanic pop. (6.6%).

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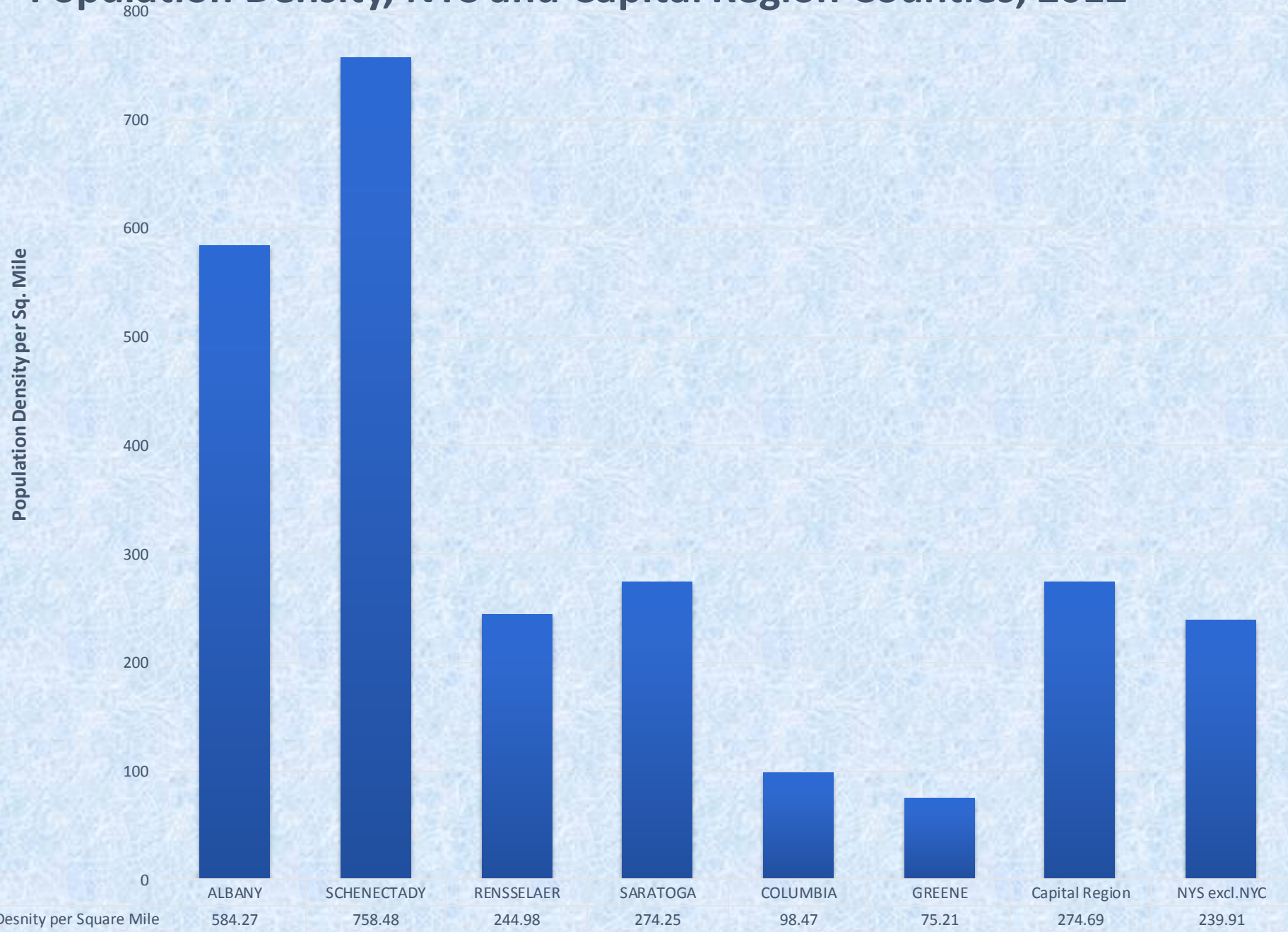INITIATIVE

Executive Summary-Rensselaer County

- Rensselaer had the 2nd highest % of the pop. < 100% FPL of all CR counties (R-13.2%; CR-11.3%).

- Troy/Lansingburgh (21.6%) had the highest neighborhood poverty rate.

- Rensselaer had the 3d highest % pop. with < HS education (R-9.7%; CR-8.8%) as well as the 3d highest % pop. with college of greater education (R-28.6%; CR-33.3%) of the CR counties.

- Troy/Lansingburgh had the highest % of pop. with < HS education (13.5%).

- Rensselaer had a lower % of pop. who spoke English "less than very well" than the CR (R-2.5%; CR-2.9%). Troy/Lansingburgh had the highest rate (4.2%).

- Rensselaer had a similar % of pop. with a disability compared to CR (R-12.0%; CR-11.8%); North West (16.5%) had the highest rate of disabilities.

Selected Sociodemographic Indicators, Rensselaer County, Capital Region, and New York State, ACS 2009-2013

	Rensselaer County		Capital Region	NYS
	#	%	%	%
Population	159,565			
% <5 years of age	8,795	5.5	5.3	6.0
% 5-14 years of age	18,402	11.5	11.7	12.1
% 15-19 years of age	12,066	7.6	7.2	6.8
% 65-74 years of age	11,744	7.4	7.8	7.3
% 75+ years of age	10,531	6.6	7.0	6.5
Median Age		39.9	40.2	38.1
% Non-white	19,634	12.3	14.9	34.4
% Hispanic	6,364	4.0	4.4	17.9
% <100% FPL	20,300	13.2	11.3	15.3
% < 18 yrs. < 100% FPL	6,535	20.0	15.5	21.7
Median Household Income		$59,432	$60,722	$58,003
% speak English "< very well"	3,770	2.5	2.9	13.4
% 25+ yrs. < HS education	10,469	9.7	8.8	14.8
% with Disability	18,889	12.0	11.8	10.9

Source: Bureau of Census, American Community Survey (ACS), 2009-2013

Population Density, NYS and Capital Region Counties, 2012

Population Density per Sq. Mile

	ALBANY	SCHENECTADY	RENSSELAER	SARATOGA	COLUMBIA	GREENE	Capital Region	NYS excl.NYC
■ Population Desnity per Square Mile	584.27	758.48	244.98	274.25	98.47	75.21	274.69	239.91

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Population by Age, Rensselaer County, Capital Region, and NYS, ACS 2009-2013

Age	Rensselaer County #	Rensselaer County %	Capital Region %	NYS %
< 5 years	8,759	5.5	5.3	6.0
5-14 years	18,402	11.5	11.7	12.1
15-19 years	12,066	7.6	7.2	6.8
20-44 years	52,168	32.7	32.1	34.5
45-64 years	45,895	28.8	28.9	25.8
65-74 years	11,744	7.4	7.8	7.3
75+ years	10,531	6.6	7.0	6.5
Total	159,565	100.0	100.0	100.0

Median Age, NYS and Capital Region Counties, ACS 2009-2013
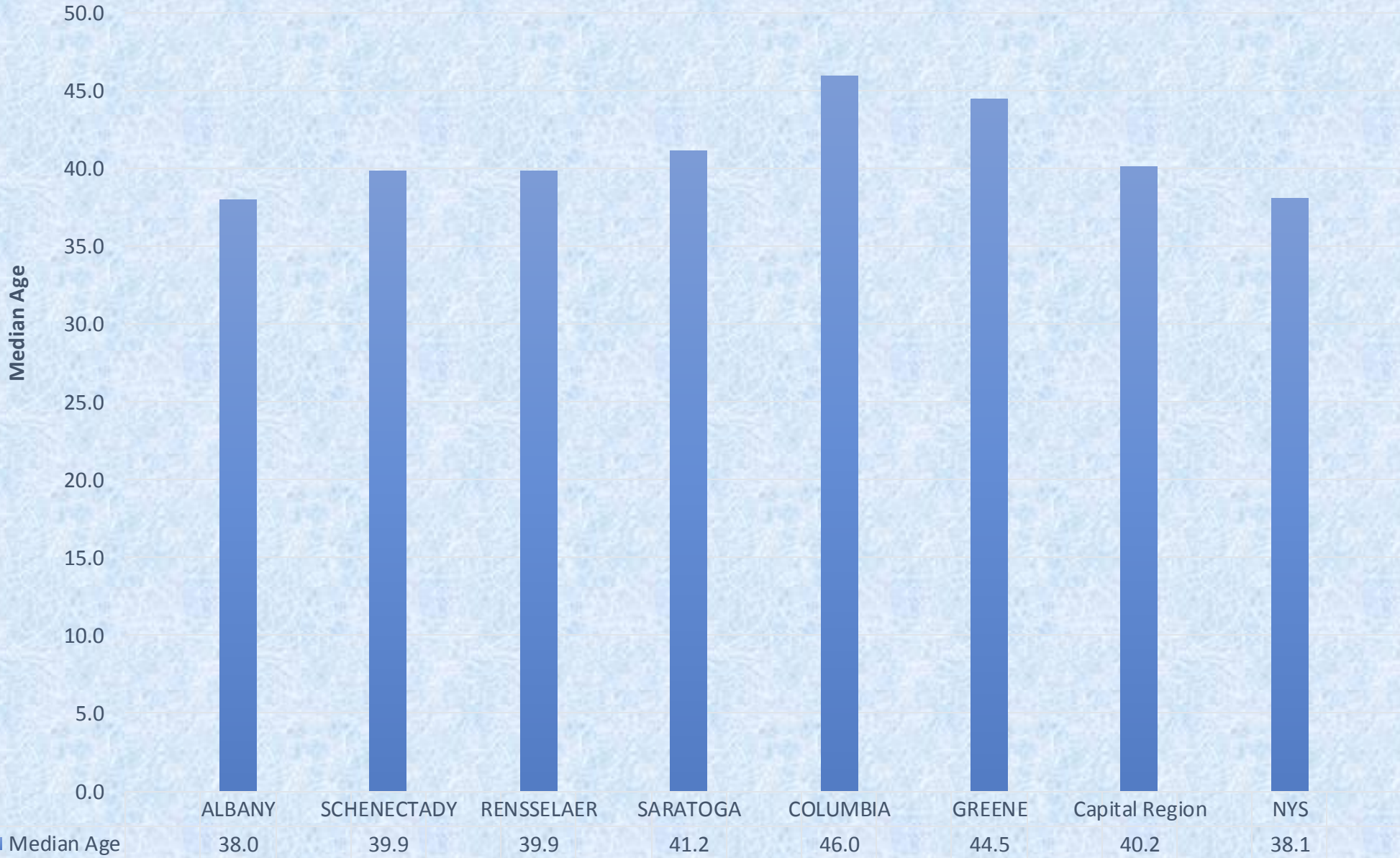
Rensselaer County High Need Neighborhoods

% of Population 0-14 Years (17.0%)

- North East-20.1%
- W. Sand Lake/Wynantskill-19.5%
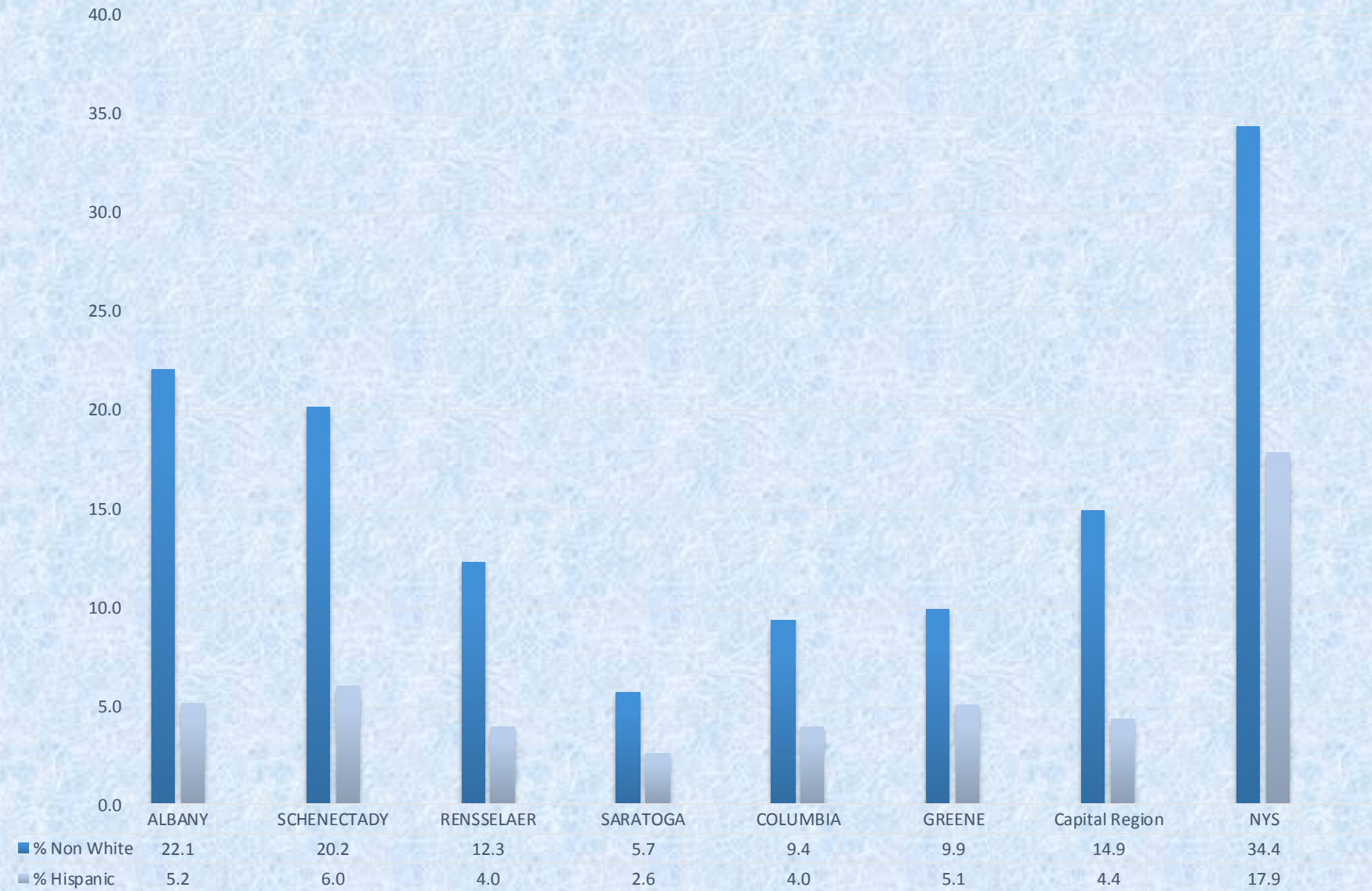- East Greenbush-19.0%

% of Population 65+ Years (14.0%)

- South West-16.9%
- East-16.8%
- North East-14.6%

Population by Race and Ethnicity, Rensselaer County, Capital Region, and New York State, ACS 2009-2013

	Rensselaer County		Capital Region	NYS
Race	#	%	%	%
White	139,931	87.7	85.1	65.6
Black	9,794	6.1	7.7	15.6
Asian	3,611	2.3	3.2	7.6
Other	6,229	3.9	4.0	11.2
Total	159,565	100.0	100.0	100.0
Ethnicity				
Hispanic/Latino (any race)	6,364	4.0	4.4	17.9

Population by Race/Ethnicity, NYS and Capital Region Counties, ACS 2009-2013

	ALBANY	SCHENECTADY	RENSSELAER	SARATOGA	COLUMBIA	GREENE	Capital Region	NYS
■ % Non White	22.1	20.2	12.3	5.7	9.4	9.9	14.9	34.4
■ % Hispanic	5.2	6.0	4.0	2.6	4.0	5.1	4.4	17.9

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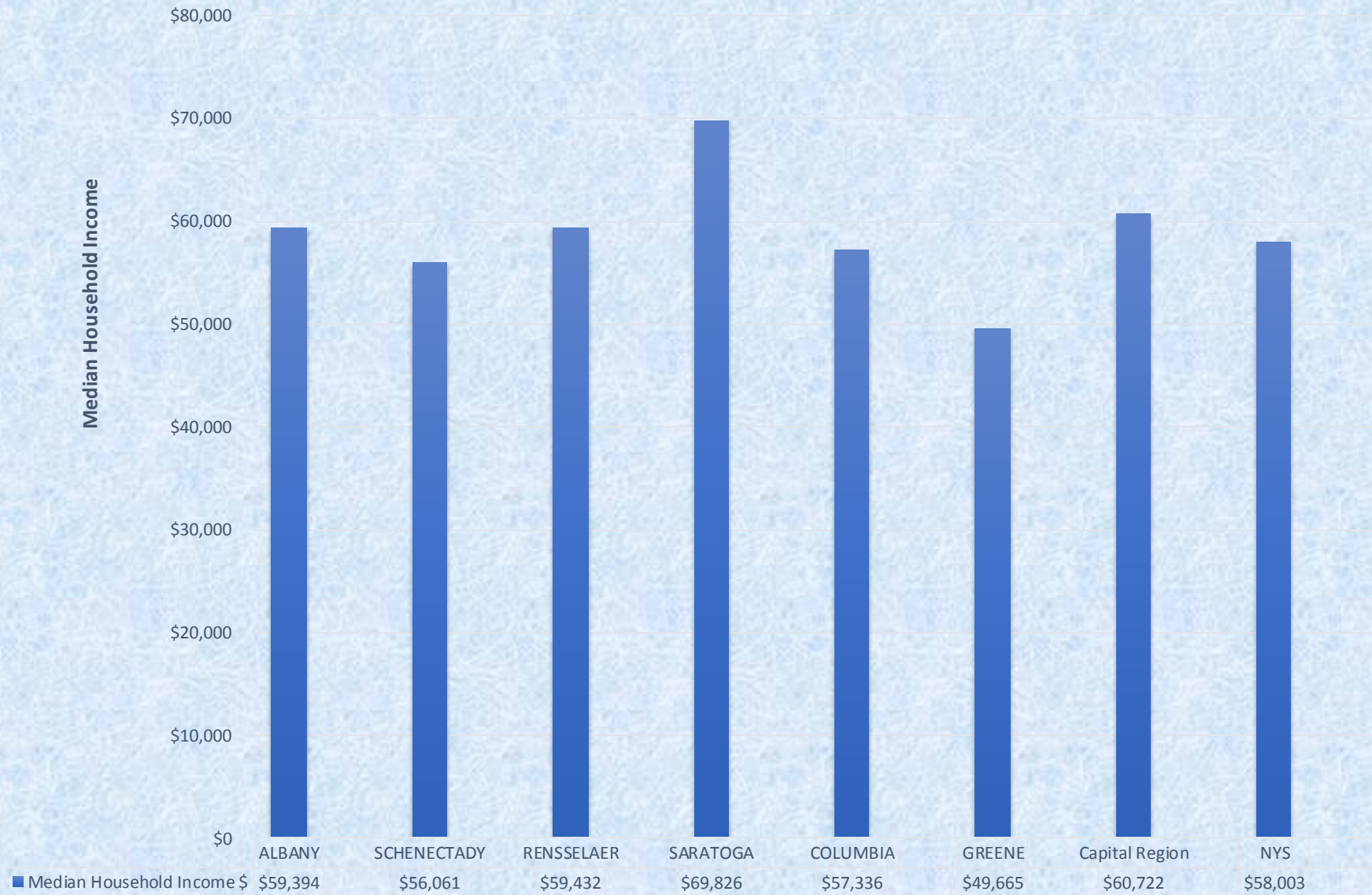
Rensselaer County High Need Neighborhoods

% of Population Non-White (12.3%)

- Troy/Lansingburgh-21.3%
- East Greenbush-12.5%
- Rensselaer-8.1%

% of Population Hispanic/Latino (4.0%)

- Troy/Lansingburgh-6.6%
- East Greenbush-6.3%
- Rensselaer-3.1%

Median Household Income NYS and Capital Region Counties, ACS 2009-2013

	ALBANY	SCHENECTADY	RENSSELAER	SARATOGA	COLUMBIA	GREENE	Capital Region	NYS
Median Household Income $	$59,394	$56,061	$59,432	$69,826	$57,336	$49,665	$60,722	$58,003

Population by Federal Poverty Level, Rensselaer County, Capital Region, and New York State, ACS 2009-2013

Federal Poverty Level	Rensselaer County #	%	Capital Region %	NYS %
<50%	9,109	5.9	5.0	6.8
<100%	20,300	13.2	11.3	15.3
<150%	30,360	19.8	18.1	24.0
<200%	41,591	27.1	25.2	32.1
Total pop. with known Pov. Level	153,704			
Pop. <18 years				
<100% Federal PovertyLevel	6,535	20.0	15.5	21.7
Total pop. <18 years	32,733			

Percent Below Poverty, Total Population and < 18 Year Population, NYS and Capital Region Counties, ACS 2009-2013

% POPULATION BELOW 100% FPL
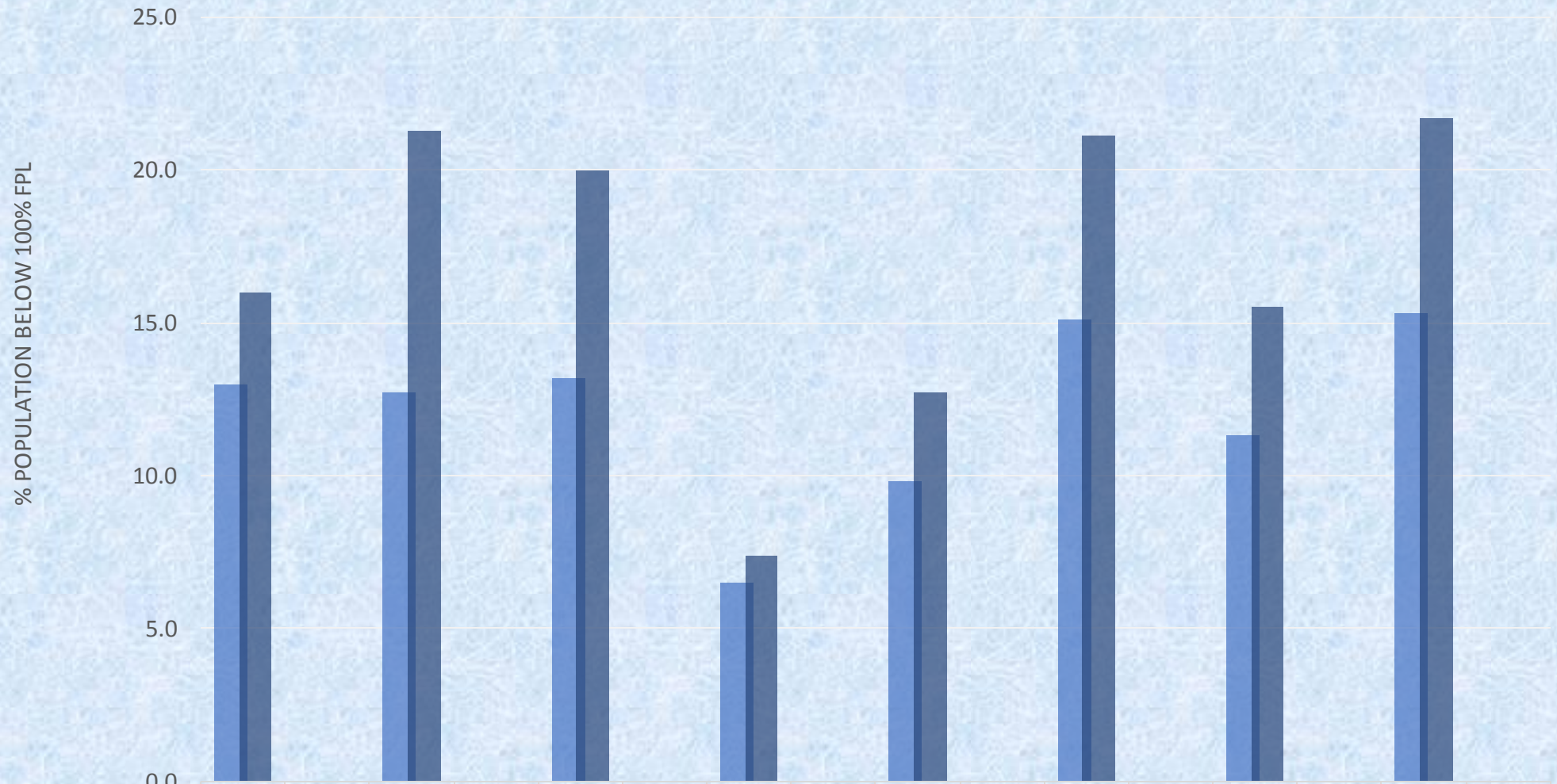
	ALBANY	SCHENECTADY	RENSSELAER	SARATOGA	COLUMBIA	GREENE	Capital Region	NYS
■ % below 100% Poverty	13.0	12.7	13.2	6.5	9.8	15.1	11.3	15.3
■ % < 18 years pop. below 100% Poverty	16.0	21.3	20.0	7.4	12.7	21.1	15.5	21.7

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% of Population <100% FPL (13.2%)

- Troy/Lansingburgh-21.6%
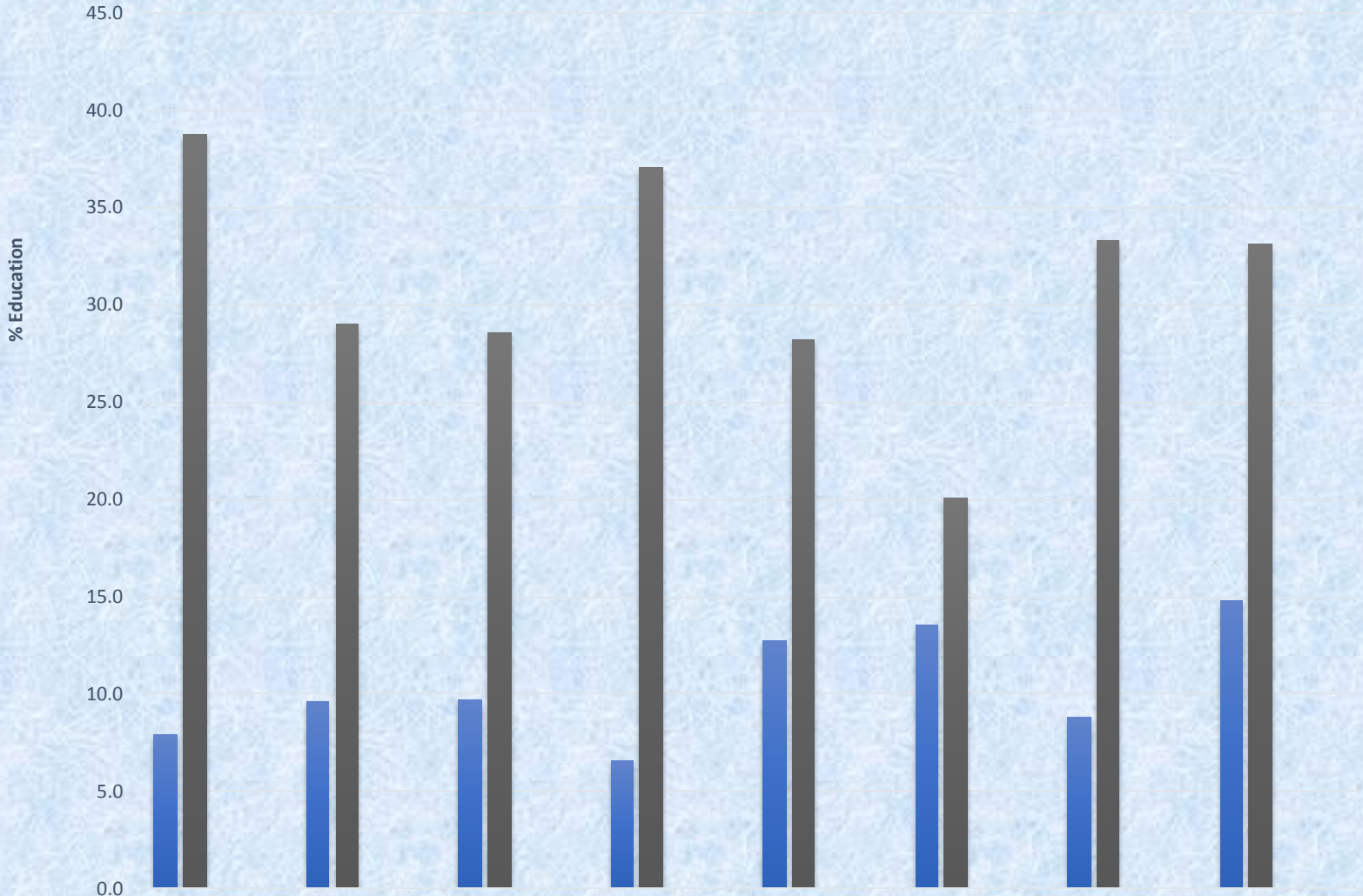- Rensselaer-11.3%
- North West-9.6%

% of Population <200% FPL (27.1%)

- Troy/Lansingburgh-37.0%
- North East-31.8%
- Rensselaer-26.0%

Educational Attainment in Population 25+ Years of Age, Rensselaer County, Capital Region, and New York State, ACS 2009-2013

Education	Rensselaer County		Capital Region	NYS
	#	%	%	%
< High School	10,469	9.7	8.8	14.8
Bachelor Degree or Higher	30,869	28.6	33.3	33.2
Total 25+ Years	107,932			

Education Attainment in Population25+ Years of Age, NYS and Capital Region Counties, ACS 2009-2013

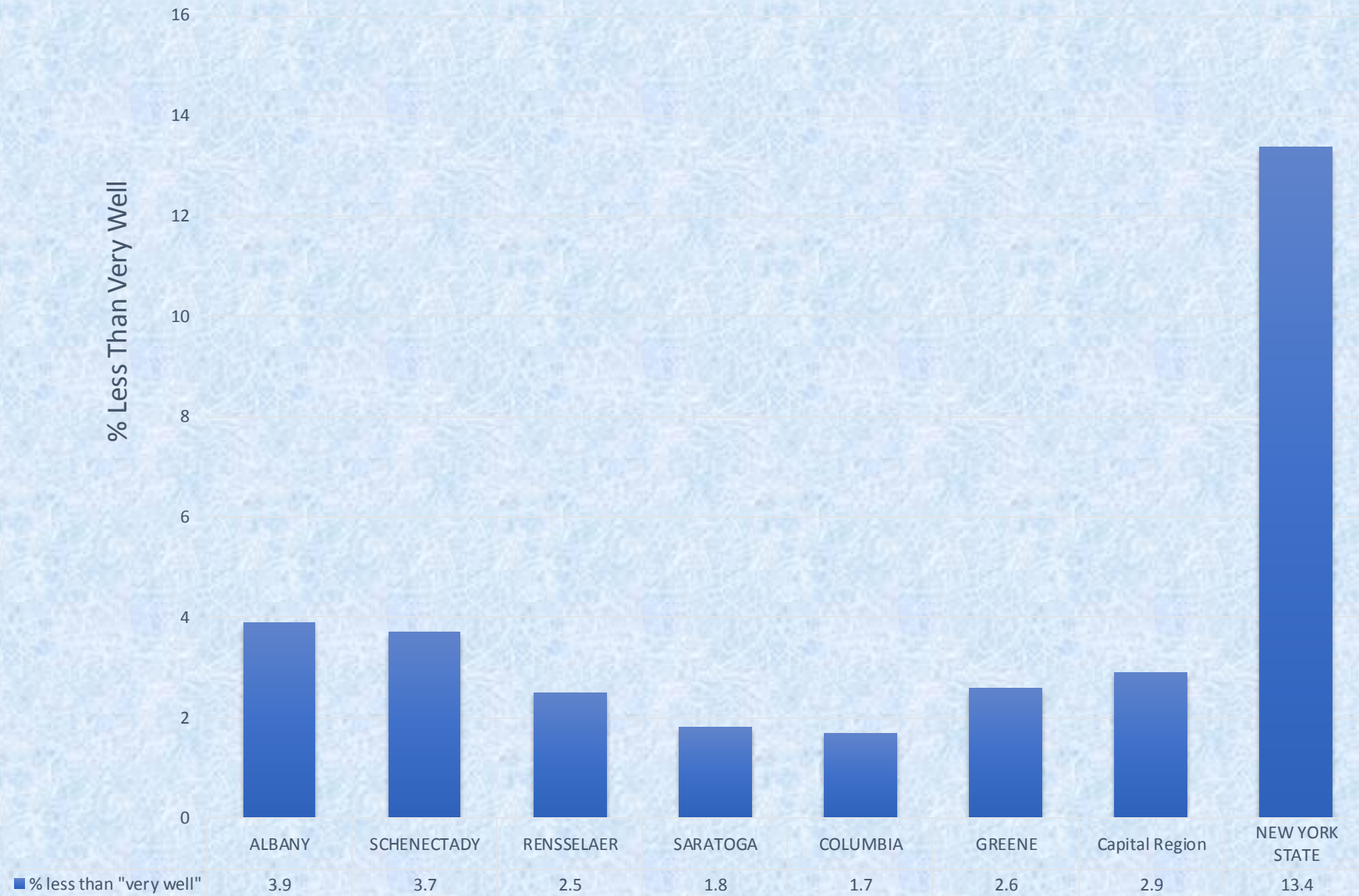|	ALBANY	SCHENECTADY	RENSSELAER	SARATOGA	COLUMBIA	GREENE	Capital Region	NYS
% less than High School	7.9	9.6	9.7	6.6	12.8	13.6	8.8	14.8
% Batchelors Degree and higher	38.8	29.0	28.6	37.1	28.2	20.1	33.3	33.2

Rensselaer County High Need Neighborhoods

% < High School Education (9.7%)
- **Troy/Lansingburgh-13.5%**
- **North East-9.6%**
- **East-9.0%**

Language spoken at Home and Speak English Less Than Very Well in Population 5+ Years and Older, Rensselaer County, Capital Region, and New York State, ACS 2009-2013

Language	Rensselaer County #	Rensselaer County %	Capital Region %	NYS %
Language other than English at Home	10,104	6.7	8.9	29.9
Speak English Less Than Very Well	3,770	2.5	2.9	13.4
Total 5+ Years	150,806			

Percent of Population that Speaks English "Less Than Very Well", NYS and Capital Region Counties, ACS 2009-2013

% Less Than Very Well

	ALBANY	SCHENECTADY	RENSSELAER	SARATOGA	COLUMBIA	GREENE	Capital Region	NEW YORK STATE
% less than "very well"	3.9	3.7	2.5	1.8	1.7	2.6	2.9	13.4

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% Language at Home Other than English (6.7%)

- **Troy/Lansingburgh-10.8%**
- **East Greenbush-9.1%**
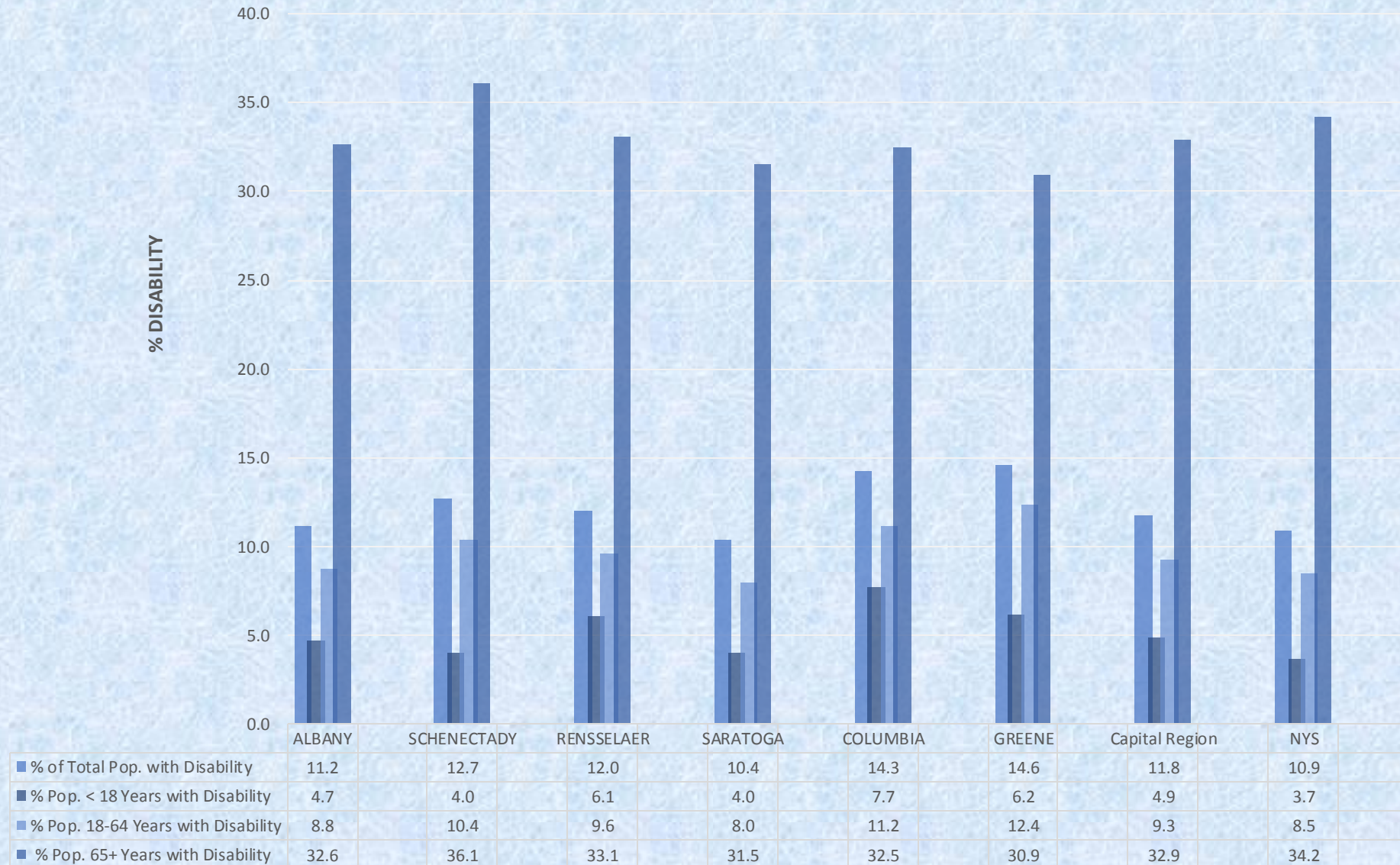- **W. Sand Lake/Wynanskill-4.5%**

% Speaks English Less than Very Well (2.5%)

- **Troy/Lansingburgh-4.2%**
- **East Greenbush-2.3%**
- **Rensselaer-1.9%**

Population with Disabilities, Rensselaer County, Capital Region, and New York State, ACS 2009-2013

Disability by Age	Rensselaer County #	%	Capital Region %	NYS %
<18 years	2,023	6.1	4.9	3.7
18-64 years	9,901	9.6	9.3	8.5
65+ years	6,965	33.1	32.9	34.2
Total-All ages	18,889	12.0	11.8	10.9
Total Pop.	157,608			

Percent of Population with Disability by Age, NYS and Capital Region Counties, ACS 2009-2013

	ALBANY	SCHENECTADY	RENSSELAER	SARATOGA	COLUMBIA	GREENE	Capital Region	NYS
■ % of Total Pop. with Disability	11.2	12.7	12.0	10.4	14.3	14.6	11.8	10.9
■ % Pop. < 18 Years with Disability	4.7	4.0	6.1	4.0	7.7	6.2	4.9	3.7
■ % Pop. 18-64 Years with Disability	8.8	10.4	9.6	8.0	11.2	12.4	9.3	8.5
■ % Pop. 65+ Years with Disability	32.6	36.1	33.1	31.5	32.5	30.9	32.9	34.2

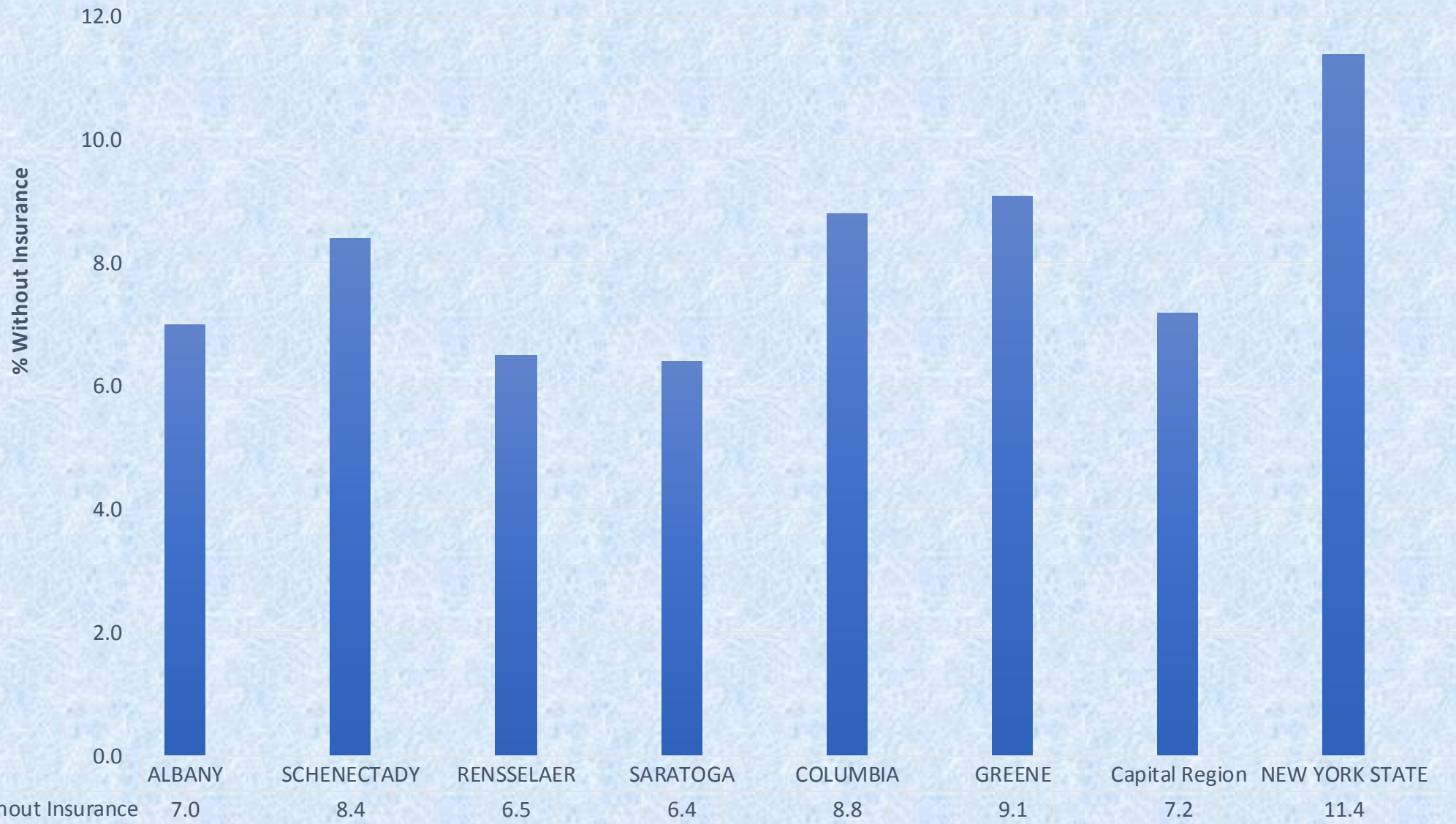# Rensselaer County High Need Neighborhoods

% Population with a Disability (12.0%)

- **North West-16.5%**

- **East-13.9%**

- **Rensselaer-12.9%**

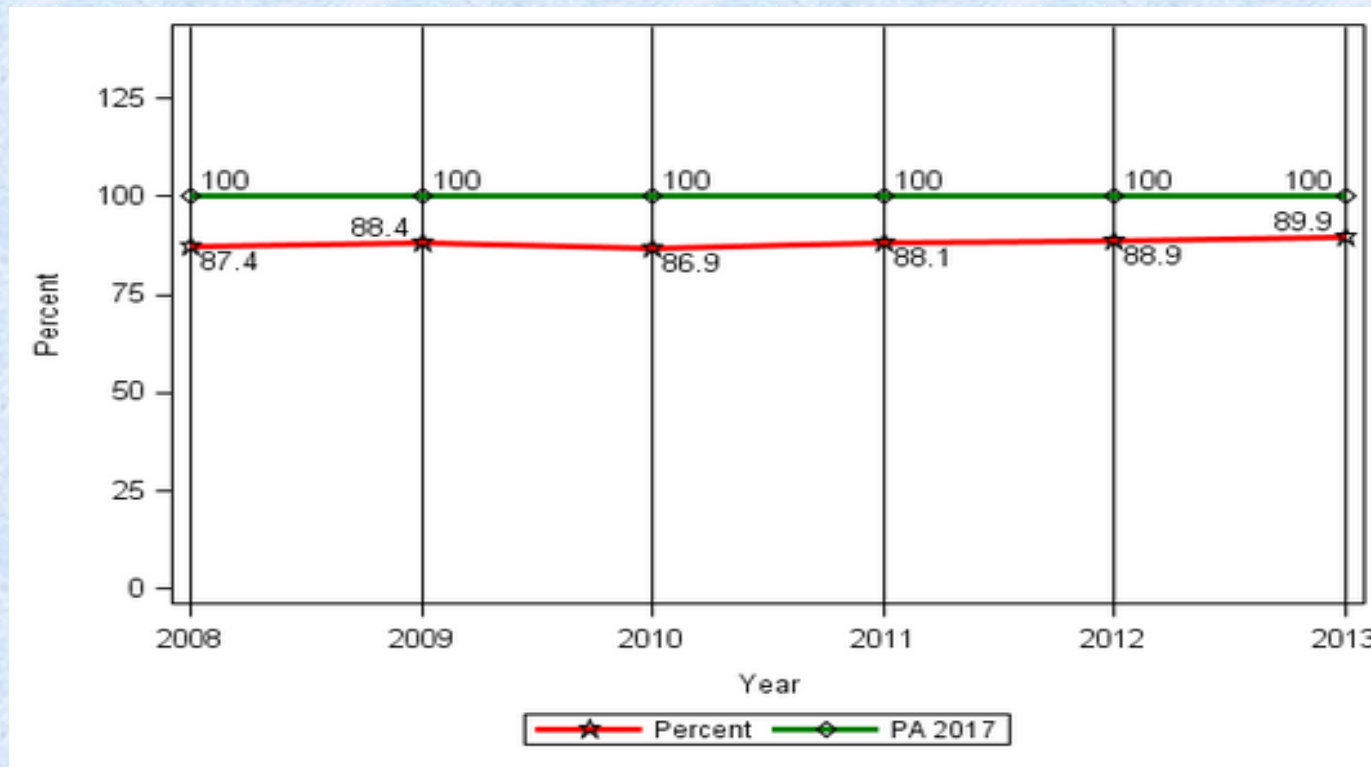| Percent Population without Health Insurance, Rensselaer County, Capital Region, and New York State, ACS 2009-2013				
	Rensselaer County		Capital Region	NYS
Health Insurance	#	%	%	%
Pop. without Health Insurance	10,290	6.5	7.2	11.1
Total population	157,608			

Percent of Population Without Health Insurance, NYS and Capital Region Counties, ACS 2009-2013

Rensselaer County, % of Adults (Aged 18-64) with Health Insurance, 2008-2013 and Prevention Agenda 2017 Objective
US Census Bureau-Small Area Health Insurance Estimates as of March 2015

Rensselaer County High Need Neighborhoods

% Population Without Health Insurance (6.5%)

- **Troy/Lansingburgh-7.7%**
- **East-7.4%**
- **North East-6.9%**

Sociodemographic Summary

- Rensselaer was the 3d most rural Capital Region county. It's population density of 245.0 pop./square mile was lower than that of the Capital Region (274.7).

- The County's median age of 39.9 yrs. was comparable to the Capital Region (40.2 yrs.).

- Of the County neighborhoods, North East (20.1%) had the highest percent of the population 0-14 years of age and South West (16.9%) had the highest percent of the population 65+ years of age.

- Rensselaer had higher Non-White (22.3%) and lower Hispanic (6.0%) populations compared to the Capital Region (14.9% and 4.4% respectively). The Troy/Lansingburgh neighborhood had the largest Non-White (21.3%) and Hispanic (6.6%) populations of the Rensselaer County neighborhoods.

Sociodemographic Summary

- Rensselaer's population below 100% FPL of 13.2% was higher than the Capital Region (11.3%); the poverty rate for the population <18 years of 20.0% was also higher than the Capital Region (15.5%). Schenectady's Median Household Income of $56,061 was lower than the Capital Region of $60,722.

- Troy/Lansingburgh had the highest neighborhood rates for population < 100% FPL (21.6%) and <200% FPL (37.0%).

- Rensselaer had a higher percent of the population with < high school education of 9.7% compared to the Capital Region (8.8%). The Troy/Lansingburgh neighborhood had the highest rate of 13.5%.

Sociodemographic Summary

- About 2.5% of Rensselaer County residents spoke English "Less than Very Well", lower than then Capital Region rate of 2.9%. The Troy/Lansingburgh(4.2%) neighborhood had the highest county rate.

- The percent of the population living with a disability in Rensselaer of 12.0% was slightly higher than the Capital Region's population (11.8%). North West (16.5%) had the highest rate of neighborhoods in Rensselaer County.

Sociodemographic Summary

- Rensselaer's percent of population without Health Insurance of 6.5% was lower than the Capital Region (7.2%). Troy/Lansingburgh (7.7%) and East (7.4%) neighborhoods had the highest county rates.

- Health Insurance coverage for the Rensselaer County adult population (18-64 years)has increased from 2010 to 2013.

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