



Speak Up, Kentucky

**Regional Public Meetings
In Preparation for the State's
Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice
Consolidated Plan for 2020-2024
Annual Action Plan for 2020**

**Pikeville, KY
August 21, 2019**

Welcome

Our goal today is to listen to your experiences, opinions, comments and ideas on how to address affordable housing, fair housing and community development issues across Kentucky.

Our presentation is brief.

We want to provide most of our time to hear what you have to say.



Background Information

Kentucky receives approximately \$48 million from HUD annually

These funds are spent on:

- Rehabilitating housing and building new housing
- Providing new water and sewer lines
- Creating new jobs and assisting businesses
- Providing drug rehabilitation treatment
- Assisting persons and families who are homeless
- Many other activities

Kentucky must plan for how it will invest funds for the next five years

- What is the best way to invest the funds and help the most people?
- Are conditions better or worse than five years ago?
- Are there projects that are working well and should be continued?
- Are there new projects or ideas that the State should consider?



Recent Trends 2010-2017

Population Change, 2010-2017

Statewide Median: +1.3%

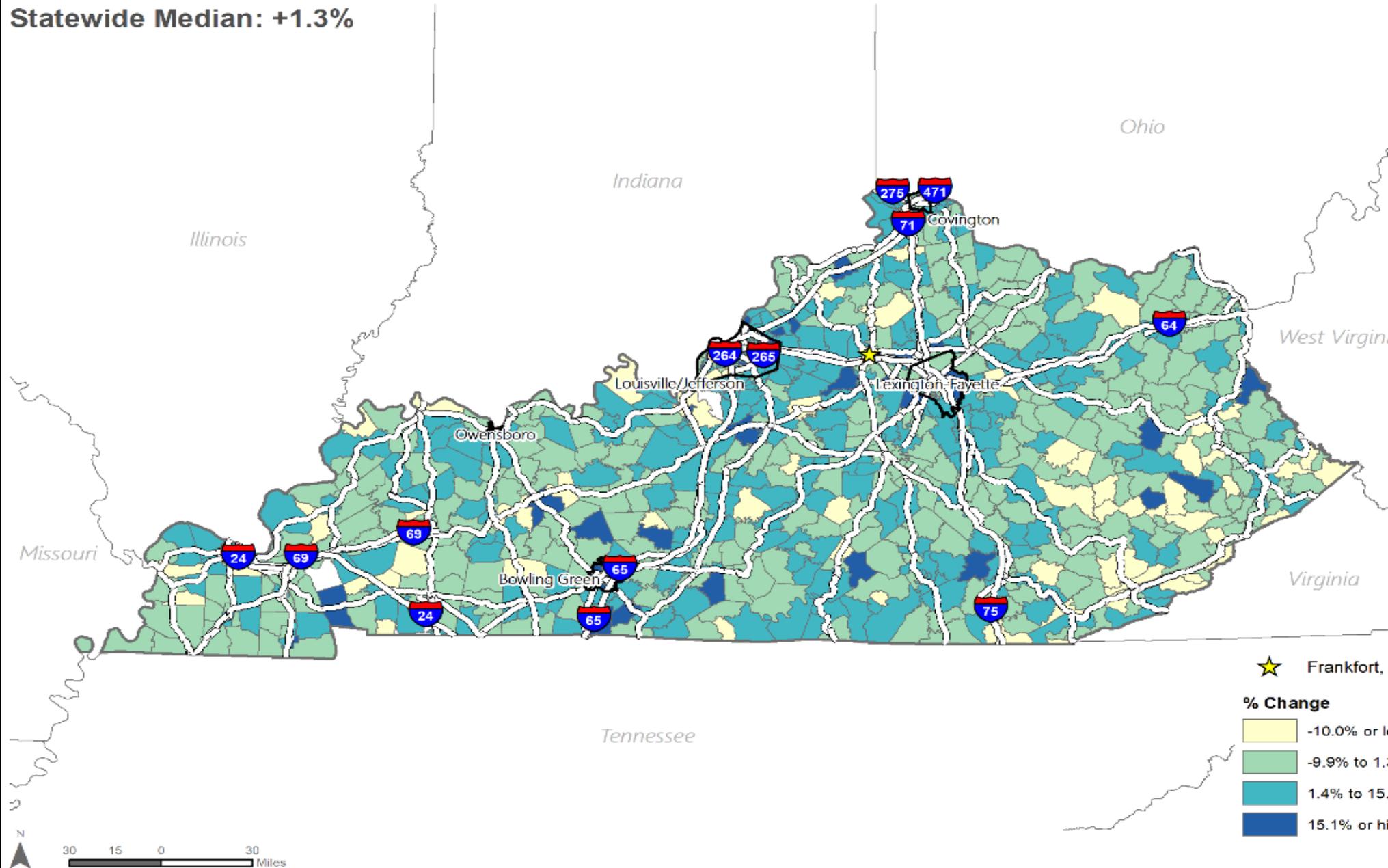


Between 2010-2017:

US population increased 4%

KY population increased 9.5%

Jefferson and Fayette Counties accounted for 50% of KY's growth



Minority Population, 2017

Statewide Median: 8.4%

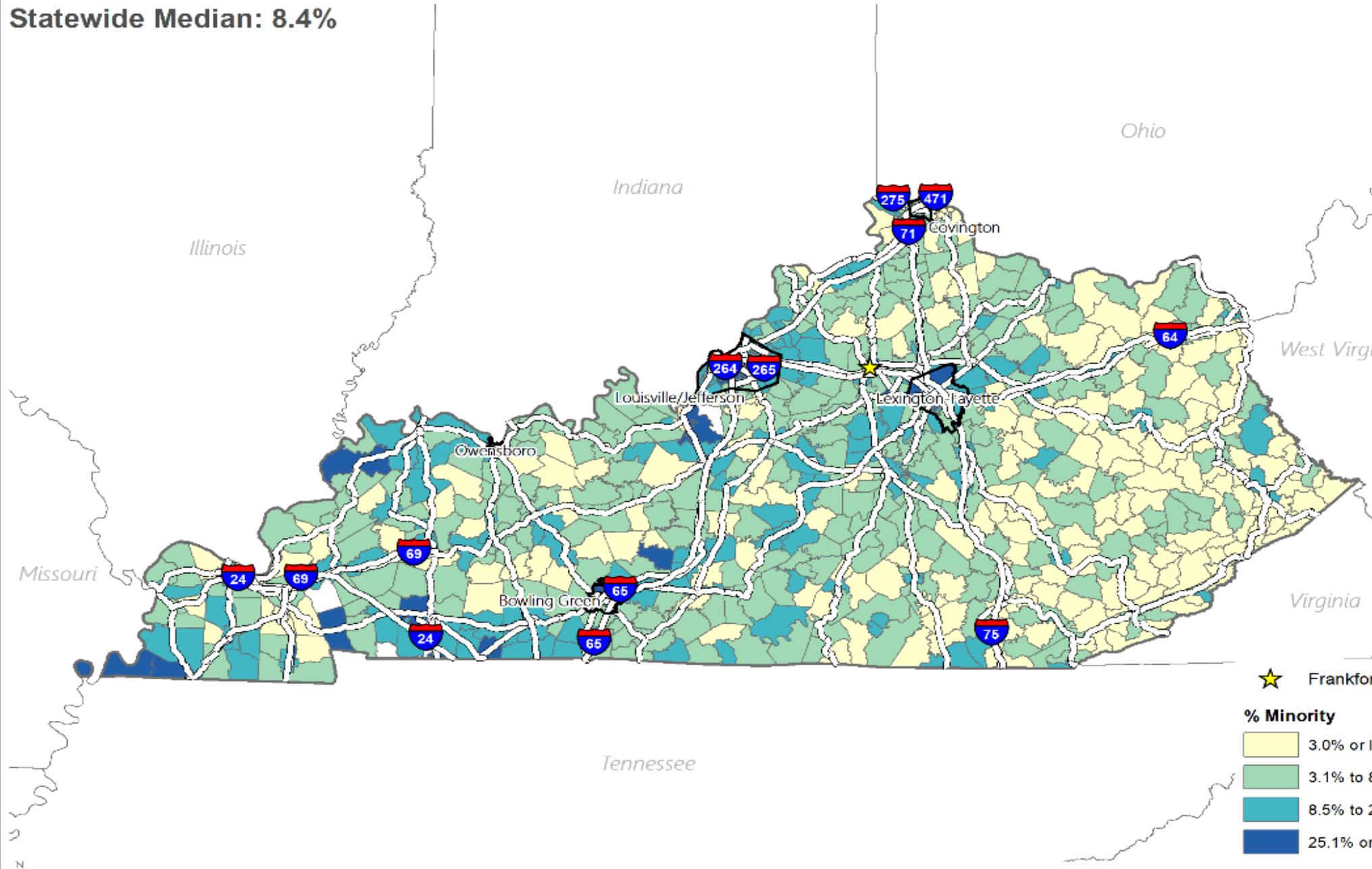


Between 2010-2017:

US minority population increased 1.7%

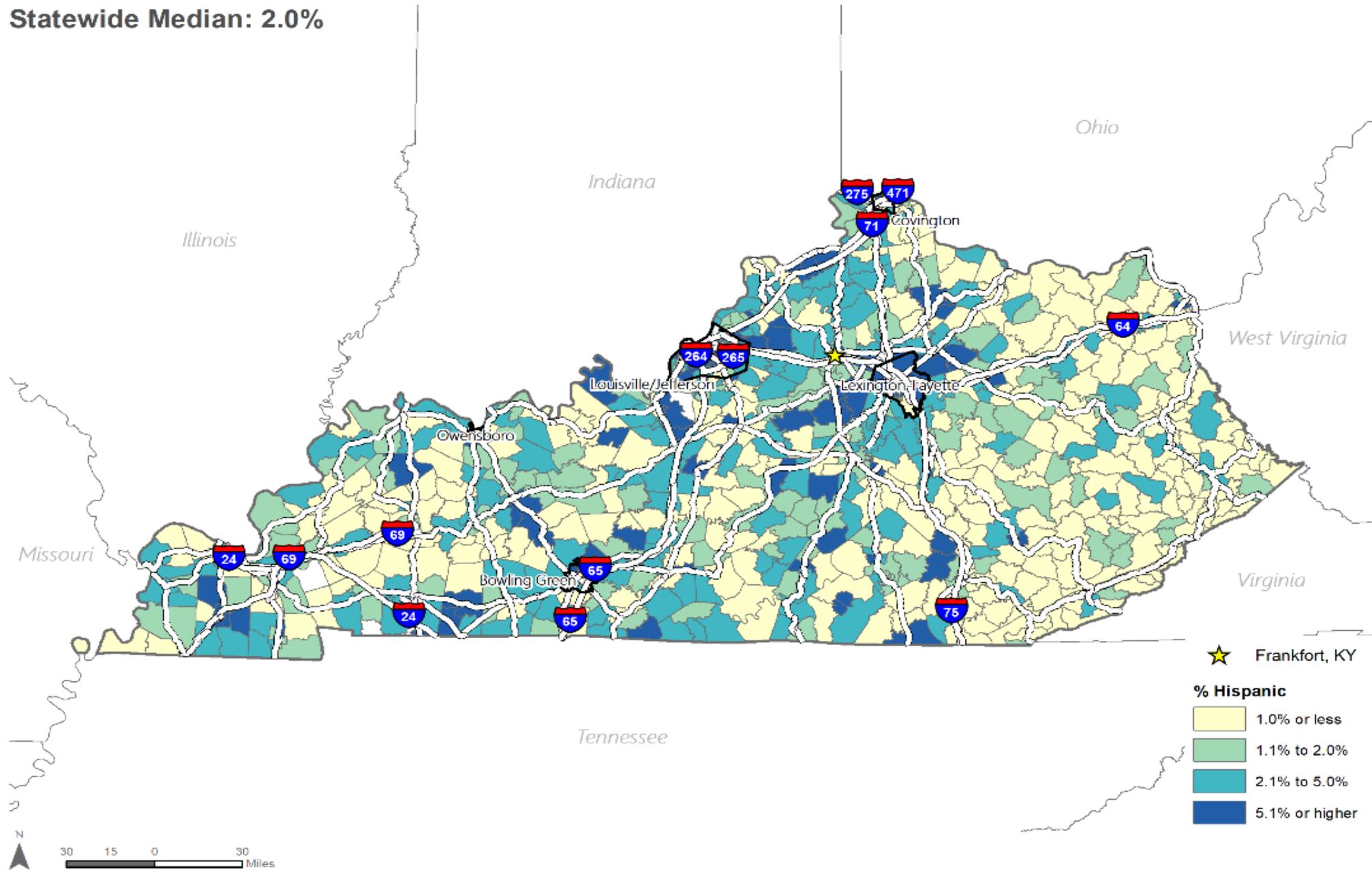
KY minority population increased 6%

Jefferson and Fayette Counties accounted for 45% of KY's minority population growth



Hispanic Population, 2017

Statewide Median: 2.0%



Between 2010-2017:

US Hispanic population increased 12%

KY Hispanic population increased 14.4%

Jefferson and Fayette Counties accounted for 37% of KY's Hispanic population growth

Poverty Rate, 2017

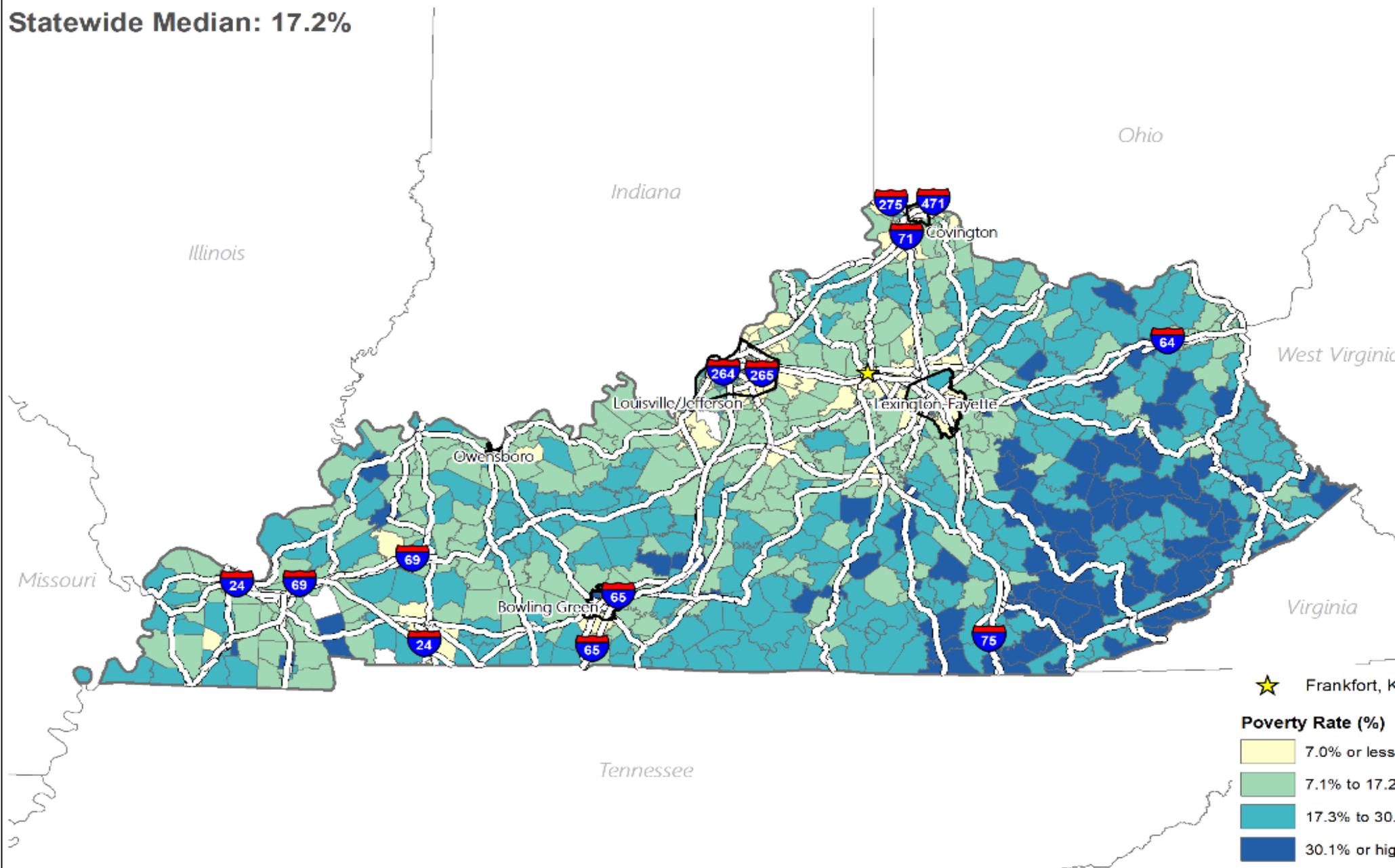
Statewide Median: 17.2%



US poverty rate was 14.6%

KY poverty rate was 18.3%

Darkest counties on map have poverty rates of 30% and higher



★ Frankfort, KY

Poverty Rate (%)

- 7.0% or less
- 7.1% to 17.2%
- 17.3% to 30.0%
- 30.1% or higher

Homeownership Rate, 2017

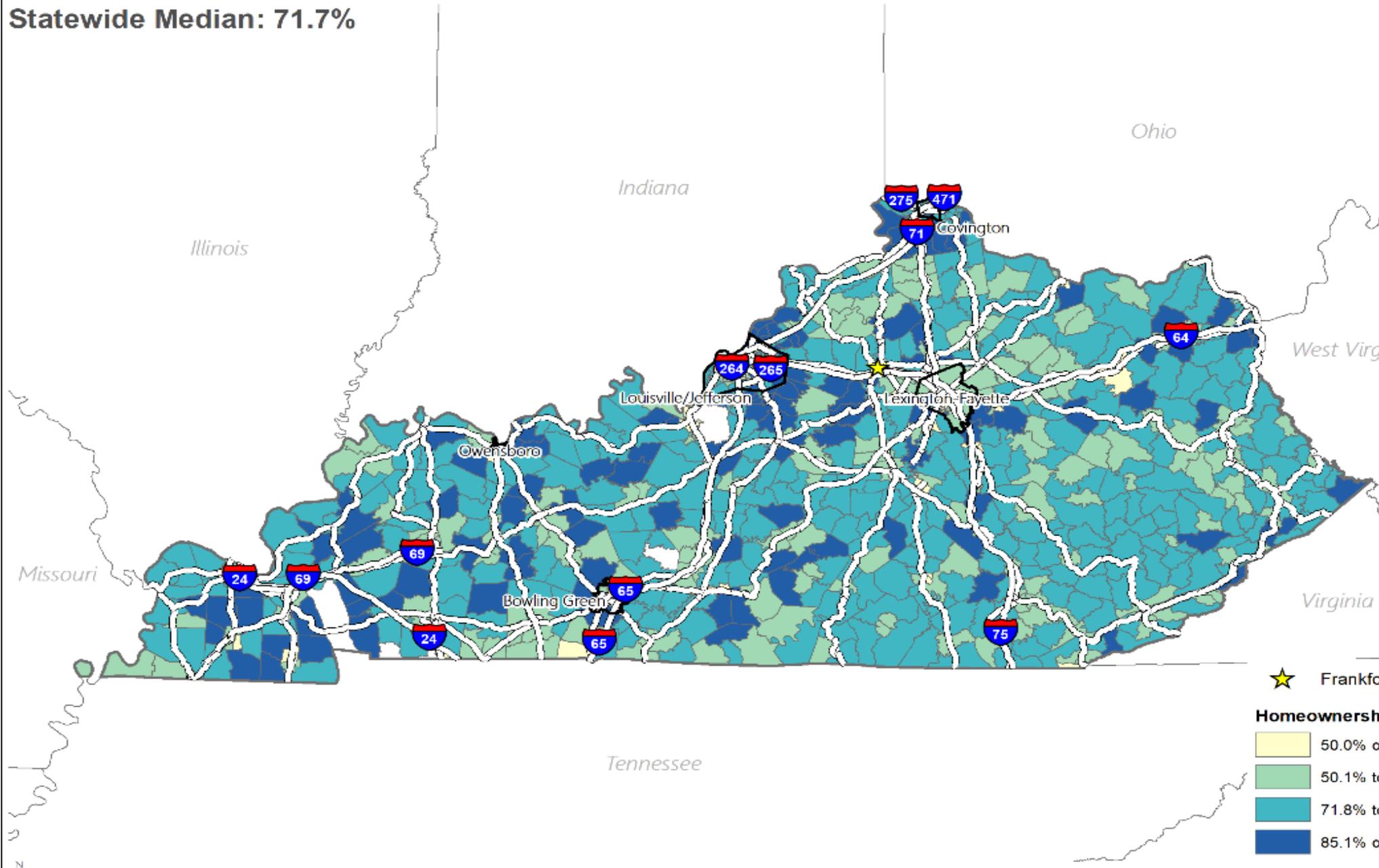
Statewide Median: 71.7%



US homeownership rate was 63.8%

KY homeownership rate was 67%

Darkest counties on map have homeownership rates of 85% and higher



Kentucky is committed to providing fair housing choice

- Federal and State law protect residents to choose and keep their housing free from discrimination based on:
 - Race
 - Skin color
 - Religion
 - Sex
 - National origin
 - Familial status
 - Disability status



Small Group Activity

Break out into Small Groups

- Select a Group Leader and a Scribe
- Instructions and pens are being passed around now
- There are five questions we want you to answer in your groups
- Then identify the five most important answers to each question
- When all groups are finished, we'll get back together and hear what each group has to say
- We'll be walking around to each group to answer questions

Speak up, Kentucky



Five Questions

1. What is the greatest challenge to finding and keeping safe, decent and affordable housing in Kentucky?
2. What is the greatest challenge to creating **more** affordable housing for Kentuckians?
3. What other needs are required in your community to improve the quality of life for residents? (examples: better paying jobs, water service, sewer service, substance abuse treatment, etc.)
4. Have you been discriminated against in your search for housing or in your efforts to keep your housing? What was the outcome?
5. In your opinion, what is the single most important thing the state should be doing to create more affordable housing across Kentucky?

1. What is the greatest challenge to finding and keeping safe, decent and affordable housing in Kentucky?

- Lack of funding for affordable housing, additional homeless shelters, permanent supportive housing
- Some households in publicly assisted housing are unaware of general housekeeping habits and as a result get evicted
 - Pikeville Housing Authority now conducts quarterly inspections and housekeeping training for tenants
- Substance abuse can lead to evictions directly or indirectly
- A lack of affordable housing in all geographic areas (some people are hesitant to move to another county to find housing they can afford)
- Lack of capital financing to maintain housing (both public housing and privately owned housing)

2. What is the greatest challenge to creating *more* affordable housing for Kentuckians?

- Lack of buildable land due largely to topography
- Lack of funding

3. What other needs are required in your community to improve the quality of life for residents? (examples: better paying jobs, water service, sewer service, substance abuse treatment, etc.)

- Substance abuse treatment programs
- Reliable transportation that operates on the weekends and during second- and third-shift hours
- Childcare that is both affordable and available to second-shift workers
- Transportation for persons with disabilities and for veterans
- Mental health support programs

4. Have you been discriminated against in your search for housing or in your efforts to keep your housing? What was the outcome?

- Not seeing discrimination but it still exists

5. In your opinion, what is the single most important thing the state should be doing to create more affordable housing across Kentucky?

- Make available additional funding to construct new units and to rehabilitate older ones
- Ensure cell phone service across the state to allow service agencies to be able to reach clients when housing has become available for them, for example
- Use social media to reach clients as this has been a good way to communicate in areas without reliable cell service

Thank you, Kentucky

Today's results will be posted online next week:

<http://www.kyhousing.org/speak-up/Pages/default.aspx>

For more information:

Erica Abrams Yan, Policy and Reporting Analyst
Corporate Planning and Accountability
Kentucky Housing Corporation
(502) 564-7630, ext. 577
eyan@kyhousing.org