

VOLUME 1-7

**STATEWIDE REGIONAL
EVACUATIONSTUDY PROGRAM**

CENTRAL FLORIDA REGION

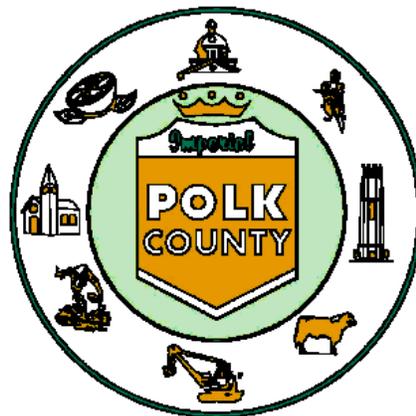
TECHNICAL DATA REPORT

CHAPTER I

**REGIONAL DEMOGRAPHIC
AND
LAND USE ANALYSIS**

APPENDIX IE

POLK COUNTY PROFILE



THIS PAGE INTENTIONALLY LEFT BLANK

APPENDIX IE POLK COUNTY PROFILE

TABLE OF CONTENTS

- I. POLK COUNTY DEMOGRAPHIC AND LAND USE ANALYSIS
 - A. Population Characteristics and Their Implications for Evacuation Dynamics..... IE-7
 - 1. Overall Population IE-7
 - 2. Group Quarters Population..... IE-8
 - 3. Housing Units by Type IE-8
 - 4. Occupied Housing Units (Households) IE-8
 - 5. Household Size..... IE-8
 - 6. Seasonal Dwelling Units IE-9
 - 7. Vehicles per Household IE-9
 - 8. Age Composition IE-9
 - 9. Race/Ethnicity IE-10
 - 10. Place of Birth and Citizenship IE-10
 - 11. Linguistic Isolation IE-10
 - 12. Labor Force IE-11
 - 13. Poverty Status..... IE-11
 - 14. Small Area Dwelling Unit and Population Data IE-11
 - B. Future Land Use Analysis..... IE-11
 - C. Update: 2010 IE-12

LIST OF TABLES

<u>Table</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Page</u>
IE-1a	Resident Population by Age, April 1, 2006, 2010 and 2015	IE-13
IE-1b	Change in Resident Population by Age, 2006-10, 2010-15 and 2006-15	IE-13
IE-2a	Resident Population by Race/Ethnicity, April 1, 2006, 2010 and 2015	IE-14
IE-2b	Change in Resident Population by Race/Ethnicity, 2006-10, 2010-15 and 2006-15	IE-14
IE-3	Licensed Public Lodging Facilities, 2007	IE-15
IE-4a	Housing Units by Vacancy Status and Tenure by Units in Structure, 2000	IE-16
IE-4b	Housing Units by Vacancy Status and Tenure by Units in Structure, 2006	IE-17
IE-5a	Residents by Tenure by Units in Structure, 2000	IE-18
IE-5b	Residents by Tenure by Units in Structure, 2006	IE-18
IE-6a	Number of Vacant Units by Vacancy Status, 2000	IE-19
IE-6b	Number of Vacant Units by Vacancy Status, 2006	IE-19
IE-7a	Occupied Housing Units by Tenure by Vehicles Available, 2000	IE-20
IE-7b	Occupied Housing Units by Tenure by Vehicles Available, 2006	IE-20
IE-8a	Number of Vehicles by Tenure and Vehicles per Occupied Unit, 2000	IE-21
IE-8b	Number of Vehicles by Tenure and Vehicles per Occupied Unit, 2006	IE-21
IE-9a	Resident Population by Gender and Age, 2000	IE-22
IE-9b	Resident Population by Gender and Age, 2006	IE-22
IE-10a	Resident Population by Race and Ethnicity, 2000	IE-23
IE-10b	Resident Population by Race and Ethnicity, 2006	IE-23
IE-11a	Resident Population by Age, Household Type and Relationship, 2000	IE-24
IE-11b	Resident Population by Age, Household Type and Relationship, 2006	IE-25
IE-12a	Resident Population by Place of Birth and Citizenship Status, 2000	IE-26
IE-12b	Resident Population by Place of Birth and Citizenship Status, 2006	IE-26
IE-13a	Households by Language and Linguistic Isolation, 2000	IE-27
IE-13b	Households by Language and Linguistic Isolation, 2006	IE-27
IE-14a	Civilian Non-Institutionalized Population 5 Years and Over by Disability Status, 2000	IE-28
IE-14b	Civilian Non-Institutionalized Population 5 Years and Over by Disability Status, 2006	IE-29
IE-15a	Resident Population 16 Years and Over by Gender and Employment Status, 2000	IE-30
IE-15b	Resident Population 16 Years and Over by Gender and Employment Status, 2006	IE-30
IE-16a	Resident Population by Poverty Status and by Age, 2000	IE-31
IE-16b	Resident Population by Poverty Status and by Age, 2006	IE-31
IE-17	Generalized Future Land Uses, 2006	IE-32

LIST OF MAPS

<u>Map</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Page</u>
H1	Number of Vacant Seasonal Housing Units, 2000.....	IE-33
H2	Percent of Housing Units that are Vacant, 2000.....	IE-34
H3	Percent of Housing Units that are Vacant Seasonal, 2000.....	IE-35
H4	Average Household Size, 2000.....	IE-36
H5	Number of Mobile Homes, 2000.....	IE-37
H6	Number of Boats, Recreational Vehicles and Vans, 2000.....	IE-38
H7	Percent of Mobile Homes that are Vacant, 2000.....	IE-39
H8	Number of Households with No Vehicle, 2000.....	IE-40
H9	Average Number of Vehicles per Household, 2000.....	IE-41
P1	Residents per square mile, 2000.....	IE-42
P2	Percent of Population Under Age 5, 2000.....	IE-43
P3	Percent of Population 65 Years or Over, 2000.....	IE-44
P4	Population Living Alone, 2000.....	IE-45
P5	Percent of Population Living in Group Quarters, 2000.....	IE-46
P6	Population Over Age 65 Living Alone, 2000.....	IE-47
P7	Percent of Population Over Age 65 Living Alone, 2000.....	IE-48
P8	Number of Linguistically Isolated Households – Other Languages, 2000.....	IE-49
P9	Percent of Households that are Linguistically Isolated, 2000.....	IE-50
P10	Population Foreign Born – Not Citizens, 2000.....	IE-51
P11	Percent of Population that is Foreign Born, 2000.....	IE-52
P12	Percent of Population Over Age 65 With Disability, 2000.....	IE-53
P13	Percent of Population that is Unemployed, 2000.....	IE-54
P14	Percent of Population in the Labor Force, 2000.....	IE-55
P15	Per Capita Income (\$), 2000.....	IE-56
P16	Percent of Population 65 Years or Over Below Poverty, 2000.....	IE-57
FLUM	Polk County Future Land Use.....	IE-58

THIS PAGE INTENTIONALLY LEFT BLANK

I. POLK COUNTY DEMOGRAPHIC AND LAND USE ANALYSIS

A. Population Characteristics and Their Implications for Evacuation Dynamics

1. Overall Population¹

In February 2007, the University of Florida's Bureau of Economic and Business Research (BEBR) estimated that the permanent resident population of Polk County on April 1, 2006, was 565,049, an increase of 81,125 (16.8%) from the 2000 Census. Polk County is the fourth largest county in population in Florida, placed twentieth in growth rate, and ninth in absolute growth in the State during that period. BEBR projects the population will reach 617,492 in 2010 and 676,957 in 2015, which represents increases of 27.6% and 39.9%, respectively, above the 2000 Census figures. The projection for 2015 also represents an increase of more than 111,908 (19.8%) above the 2006 population baseline, which will place Polk County tenth in the State in absolute growth for the period (**Tables IE-1a+b**).

¹ Population estimates and projections customarily distinguish between the *permanent resident population* in a jurisdiction (people who reside in the location year-round or at least half of the time) and the *seasonal population* (people who reside in the location only a portion of the year or who are visitors, such as tourists). The permanent resident population is further broken into those who reside in *households* (occupied housing units) and those who are in *group quarters*, such as correctional facilities, nursing homes, military quarters, group homes, etc. The decennial census and the Census Bureau's new **American Community Survey (ACS) present results** for the permanent resident population, but not for the seasonal population. However, both the census and the ACS present data on vacant housing units, including those that are for seasonal use. Typically, local jurisdictions use these seasonal housing unit estimates, along with hotel and motel inventories, to prepare estimates and projections of the seasonal population for planning purposes. The estimates and projections prepared by the University of Florida's Bureau of Economic and Business Research (BEBR) also refer to the permanent resident population. Most of the data presented in this section is drawn from the sample portion of the 2000 Census of Population and Housing (Summary File 3) and from the 2006 ACS. The latter was tabulated only for the 40 counties that had a 2006 population of at least 65,000 permanent residents, so there is no 2006 ACS data for the 27 smallest counties in the State of Florida – **in those counties, the 2006 tables will show "N.A." in all cells. Note that the annual ACS is collected for a much smaller sample than the 2000 Census, resulting in much larger margins of error. In addition, there are differences in the methodology that can affect the meaning of the data collected. As a result, comparisons should be made with caution. In some cases, although 2006 ACS data was tabulated for a county, the small sample size resulted in insufficient data to fill all of the cells in a given table – in those cases the 2006 tables will show "N.A." in selected cells.**

2. Group Quarters Population

In 2000, there were 12,546 Polk County residents living in group quarters (2.6% of the population); 8,388 of these were institutionalized in correctional facilities, nursing homes, and juvenile institutions, while the other 4,158 were in other group quarters, such as college dormitories, group homes and military quarters (**Map P5**). The remaining 471,378 residents lived in households. In 2006, the group quarters population had declined slightly to 13,019, about 2.3% of the total (**Tables IE-11a+b**).

3. Housing Units by Type

Of the 226,376 housing units in Polk County at the time of the 2000 Census, 53.42% were single-family, 16.42% were multi-family, and the remaining 30.16% were mobile homes, boats, recreational vehicles (RVs) or others used as dwelling units. Of the total housing units, 39,143 (17.3%) were vacant (**Map H2**), with the highest vacancy rates found among mobile homes. Mobile homes, boats and RVs are a much larger component of the housing stock in Polk County than in the State of Florida as a whole, where 12.0% of all units were classified in this category. **Maps H5 and H6** illustrate that most mobile homes, boats and RVs in Polk County were found throughout the county, and fewer were located within the cities in 2000.

According to the 2006 ACS, the total number of housing units in the County increased by 19% (42,983 new units and a total of 269,359 units), while the number of vacant units rose by 13.8% to 44,541 (16.5% of the total). The number of single-family units rose to 57.34% while multi-family units rose slightly to 16.58%, which is still much lower than the average share of multi-family units in the State of Florida in 2006 (32.5%). In the same period, the number of mobile homes, boats, recreational vehicles and other units increased, from 68,269 to 70,242 (**Tables IE-4a+b**).

4. Occupied Housing Units (Households)

There were 471,425 residents in housing units in Polk County in 2000, 73.7% of which were occupied in owners and 26.3% were renters. According to the 2006 ACS, the number of residents had rose by 16.4% to more than 548,587 while the proportion of owner-occupied units declined to 70.3% (**Tables IE-4a+b**).

5. Household Size

In 2000, the average household size (number of persons per occupied unit) in Polk County was 2.52, which was close to the State of Florida average of 2.46. Renters, who are mostly concentrated in multi-family units, had a smaller household size (2.49) than owners (2.53), who were more heavily concentrated in single-family units. The largest household sizes were more concentrated in the northern and southern portions of the county where mobile home units predominate (**Map H4**). Contrasting with trends over the previous two decades,

the average household size declined in Polk County between 2000 and 2006 (ACS), to 2.44 (the State average rose to 2.49). In addition, the average size of renter households started to exceed the owner households, rising to 2.47 in 2006 (ACS). This likely reflects the changing age composition of the population in recent years (**Tables IE-5a+b**).

6. Seasonal Dwelling Units

In 2000, 19,689 seasonal, recreational or occasional use dwelling units were vacant in Polk County (**Map H1**), representing 50.3% of all vacant units. By 2006 (ACS) this number had increased by 21% to 23,831 units (**Tables IE-6a+b**).

According to licensing records of the Florida Department of Business and Professional Regulation (DBPR), in 2007 Polk County had 19 hotels with 1,513 rooms, 91 motels with 4,968 rooms, and 5 bed and breakfast inns with 33 rooms. Together, these units house a seasonal population which is in addition to the permanent resident population estimated above. The proportion of seasonal units and hotel/motel units that are occupied at any point in time will have an important impact on the total population that may participate in an evacuation (**Table IE-3**).

7. Vehicles per Household

In 2000, 13,413 Polk County households (7.16%) had no vehicle. This number is tilted heavily towards renters. This was lower than the average for the State of Florida as a whole (8.1%), and represents a significant number of households that may need transportation assistance in the event of a major evacuation. **Map H8** identifies the general location of households. Unfortunately, between 2000 and 2006 (ACS), the number of households with no vehicle increased by 757 to 14,170. Households with a large number of vehicles were more concentrated in the western part of the county in 2000 (**Map H9**). The number of households with 2 or more vehicles rose from 96,128 in 2000 to 119,072 in 2006 (ACS), and the total number of vehicles in households increased to 373,185, up almost 70,000 in 6 years. In other words, the number of vehicles per household in Polk County rose from 1.62 to 1.66 between 2000 and 2006 (ACS), which could contribute to additional congestion on the evacuation routes (**Tables IE-7a+b and IE-8a+b**).

8. Age Composition

In 2000, the population of Polk County included 88,576 people who were at least 65 years old, which represented 18.3% of the total population; this compared to 17.6% for the State of Florida as a whole. Almost a fourth of these elderly residents (21,216) lived alone (**Maps P6 and P7**). By 2006 (ACS), the elderly population had increased by more than 8,000, to 17.2% of the total population, and the number living alone had increased by more than 2,000. During the same period, the number of children under 18 increased by almost 17,000, from

117,557 (24.3%) to 134,200 (23.9%). In 2006 (ACS), 96,282 Polk County children were of school age (5 to 17 years old), up from 86,813 in 2000 (**Tables IE-9a+b and IE-11a+b**).

9. Race/Ethnicity

The Hispanic or Latino population, which includes those born outside the United States as well as those born into Hispanic families in the United States, included 45,650 residents (9.4% of the total population) in 2000, and increased by almost 36,000, to 14.5% of the total, in 2006. The Black or African American population, which in Central Florida includes many people from the Caribbean and Central and South America, also grew, from 63,709 (13.2% of the total) in 2000 to 76,978 (13.7%) in 2006 (ACS). The Black or African American population is projected to grow about 24.24% and the Hispanic or Latino population is projected to grow 75.55% by 2015, while the White, non-Hispanic population increases to 7.27% (**Table IE-10a+b and IE-2b**).

10. Place of Birth and Citizenship

In 2000, 8.8% of Polk County residents (42,494) were born outside the United States (**Map P11**). By 2006, there were an additional 31,305 foreign-born residents living in Polk County. The majority of these residents in 2000 came from the Caribbean and Central and South America. More than half of the foreign-born residents in 2000 (21,611) were not U.S. citizens (**Map P10**), a number which increased by 19,000 in the first six years of this decade. In addition, almost half of the residents of Polk County in 2000 (48%) were born in other parts of the United States. The other residents (43%) were born somewhere in the State of Florida (**Tables IE-12a+b**) and the remaining 9% were foreign-born.

11. Linguistic Isolation

As a result of the growth in the diversity of the population in Polk County, the level of linguistic isolation (households where no one 14 years or older speaks English "very well") also is growing. In 2000, 4,948 households (2.64%) were classified as linguistically isolated (**Map P9**) with Spanish spoken in over half of these households, but the availability of radio and television broadcasts in Spanish, as well as many service providers who speak Spanish, makes this less problematic in Polk County. Still, there were 1,240 linguistically isolated households in 2000 where a language other than Spanish was spoken (**Map P8**), and this number increased to 2,712 households in the first six years of this decade (**Table IE-13a+b**).

12. Labor Force

In 2000, 42.2% of the Polk County population 16 years old and over was not in the labor force (**Map P14**); this was greater than the share of the non-labor force population in the State of Florida as a whole (41.3%). By 2006, the non-labor force population in Polk County had fallen to 41.3%, compared to 39.0% for the State of Florida (**Table IE-15a+b**).

13. Poverty Status

There were 60,953 residents in 2000 that lived in households with incomes below the poverty level (12.94% of the total population). Poverty rates were highest among children (19.64%), but 8.12% of elderly residents also lived below the poverty level (**Map P16**). The overall poverty rate increased between 2000 and 2006 (ACS), to 13.29%, the rate for the elderly population rose to 8.71%. The poor elderly, especially those living alone, may represent a significant portion of those households without vehicles, which constitutes a substantial challenge for evacuation planning (**Table IE-16a+b**).

14. Small Area Dwelling Unit and Population Data

Polk County produces its own dwelling unit, household and population estimates and projections for traffic analysis zones (TAZs) and municipalities at 5-year intervals projected to 2030 in cooperation with the Polk County Transportation Planning Organization (TPO). The TPO is currently modifying the TAZ base map for the County, increasing the number of TAZs, as a result of growth in new areas. **The County's resident population estimates and projections will be updated for the new TAZs.** The county totals generally mirror BEBR's mid-range population projections, starting from 565,049 in 2006, and reaching 617,500 in 2010 and 677,000 in 2015. This small-area data, supplemented by TAZ estimates and projections of mobile home units and hotel/motel units, will be used in traffic modeling.

B. Future Land Use Analysis

According to the United States Census Bureau, Polk County, with 2,010 square miles, is the fourth largest county by total land area in the State of Florida. Approximately 1,874 square miles is comprised of land area, and 136 square miles (6.8%) is comprised of water. Polk County is bounded on the north by Lake and Sumter Counties, on the east by Osceola County, on the south by Hardee and Highlands Counties, and on the west by Hillsborough and Pasco Counties. With 17 municipalities in 2006, the unincorporated portion of the county was home to 354,143 residents, or about 63% of the total County population.

101,444 acres (7.9%) of the County have been assigned a recreation and open space future land use classification. An additional 493,897 acres (38.2%) are currently classified as agriculture, the largest future land use classification in the County.

The County has also assigned 185,631 acres (14.4%) to industrial uses, 133,848 acres (10.4%) to residential medium density uses, 61,817 acres (4.8%) to residential low density uses, and 4,463 acres (0.3%) to residential high density land uses (**Table IE-17**).

C. Update: 2010

For consistency, the data and information used in the study is from 2006, ensuring that all available data inputs used the same common year. Certain types of data tend to lag. For instance, population estimates are annually updated by the Bureau of Economic and Business Research, whereas traffic analysis zones are often updated every five years. To produce a comprehensive study with all the data from the same year requires a base year in which all the data is available.

The purpose of this section is to provide the reader with an independent, up-to-date data. The data was not used in the study, and is for informational purposes only.

Population:

Florida's 2009 population increased to 18,748,925 persons from the 2000 Census tabulation of 15,982,824 persons, an increase of 2,766,001 persons and a growth of 17.31% with an average annual growth rate of 1.92%.

Polk's 2009 population increased to 584,343 persons from the 2000 Census tabulation of 483,924 persons, an increase of 100,419 persons and a growth of 20.75% with an average annual growth rate of 2.31%.

Polk's growth ranks twenty-first out of the sixty-seven counties. Of particular note, Flagler County grew by 90.44% between 2000 and 2009, which made it the fastest growing county and Monroe County decreased by 2.09%, which made it the lowest and only county with negative growth.

Table IE-1a
Resident Population² by Age, April 1, 2006, 2010 and 2015

Polk County Age Categories	Absolute Number			% of Total Population		
	2006	2010	2015	2006	2010	2015
Age under 5 years	37,302	40,664	43,436	6.60%	6.59%	6.42%
Age 5 to 17 years	98,593	106,539	114,322	17.45%	17.25%	16.89%
Age 18 to 24 years	48,902	52,774	55,742	8.65%	8.55%	8.23%
Age 25 to 34 years	65,706	73,083	80,264	11.63%	11.84%	11.86%
Age 35 to 44 years	73,857	75,254	78,391	13.07%	12.19%	11.58%
Age 45 to 54 years	73,852	82,130	85,026	13.07%	13.30%	12.56%
Age 55 to 64 years	65,032	75,996	88,700	11.51%	12.31%	13.10%
Age 65 to 74 years	50,972	55,844	70,079	9.02%	9.04%	10.35%
Age 75 to 84 years	38,231	39,545	41,684	6.77%	6.40%	6.16%
Age 85 years and over	12,602	15,663	19,313	2.23%	2.54%	2.85%
TOTAL	565,049	617,492	676,957	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
Age under 18 years	135,895	147,203	157,758	24.05%	23.84%	23.30%
Age 65 years and over	101,805	111,052	131,076	18.02%	17.98%	19.36%

Source: Florida Legislature, Office of Economic and Demographic Research (August 2007)

Table IE-1b
Change in Resident Population by Age, 2006-10, 2010-15 and 2006-15

Polk County Age Categories	Absolute Change			% Change in the Period		
	2006-10	2010-15	2006-15	2006-10	2010-15	2006-15
Age under 5 years	3,362	2,772	6,134	9.01%	6.82%	16.44%
Age 5 to 17 years	7,946	7,783	15,729	8.06%	7.31%	15.95%
Age 18 to 24 years	3,872	2,968	6,840	7.92%	5.62%	13.99%
Age 25 to 34 years	7,377	7,181	14,558	11.23%	9.83%	22.16%
Age 35 to 44 years	1,397	3,137	4,534	1.89%	4.17%	6.14%
Age 45 to 54 years	8,278	2,896	11,174	11.21%	3.53%	15.13%
Age 55 to 64 years	10,964	12,704	23,668	16.86%	16.72%	36.39%
Age 65 to 74 years	4,872	14,235	19,107	9.56%	25.49%	37.49%
Age 75 to 84 years	1,314	2,139	3,453	3.44%	5.41%	9.03%
Age 85 years and over	3,061	3,650	6,711	24.29%	23.30%	53.25%
TOTAL	52,443	59,465	111,908	9.28%	9.63%	19.81%
Age under 18 years	11,308	10,555	21,863	8.32%	7.17%	16.09%
Age 65 years and over	9,247	20,024	29,271	9.08%	18.03%	28.75%

Source: Florida Legislature, Office of Economic and Demographic Research (August 2007)

² Official state and county estimates and projections published by the University of Florida's Bureau of Economic and Business Research (BEBR) were released in database format by the Florida Legislature's Office of Economic and Demographic Research (EDR) in August 2007, with age, gender and race/ethnicity detail, and interpolations for every quarter of every single year from 1960 (Q2) to 2030 (Q2).

Table IE-2a
Resident Population by Race/Ethnicity, April 1, 2006, 2010 and 2015

Polk County Race/Ethnic Categories	Absolute Number			% of Total Population		
	2006	2010	2015	2006	2010	2015
White Non-Hispanic	395,650	405,661	424,427	70.02%	65.69%	62.70%
Black or African American (NH)	80,877	90,220	100,488	14.31%	14.61%	14.84%
Other race and 2 or more races	8,735	10,186	11,974	1.55%	1.65%	1.77%
Hispanic or Latino (all races)	79,787	111,425	140,068	14.12%	18.04%	20.69%
TOTAL	565,049	617,492	676,957	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%

Source: Florida Legislature, Office of Economic and Demographic Research (August 2007)

Table IE-2b
Change in Resident Population by Race/Ethnicity, 2006-10, 2010-15 and 2006-15

Polk County Race/Ethnic Categories	Absolute Change			% Change in the Period		
	2006-10	2010-15	2006-15	2006-10	2010-15	2006-15
White Non-Hispanic	10,011	18,766	28,777	2.53%	4.63%	7.27%
Black or African American (NH)	9,343	10,268	19,611	11.55%	11.38%	24.25%
Other race and 2 or more races	1,451	1,788	3,239	16.61%	17.55%	37.08%
Hispanic or Latino (all races)	31,638	28,643	60,281	39.65%	25.71%	75.55%
TOTAL	52,443	59,465	111,908	9.28%	9.63%	19.81%

Source: Florida Legislature, Office of Economic and Demographic Research (August 2007)

**Table IE-3
Licensed Public Lodging Facilities, 2007**

Type of Lodging Facility	Absolute Number		%	
	Facilities	Rooms/Units	Facilities	Rooms/Units
Hotels	19	1,513	0.59%	4.87%
Motels	91	4,968	2.84%	15.99%
Non-Transient Apartments	374	18,289	11.66%	58.86%
Transient Apartments	27	288	0.84%	0.93%
Non-Transient Rooming Houses	3	23	0.09%	0.07%
Transient Rooming Houses	17	396	0.53%	1.27%
Bed and Breakfast Inns	5	33	0.16%	0.11%
Resort Condominiums - Single	28	28	0.87%	0.09%
Resort Condominiums - Group	4	269	0.12%	0.87%
Resort Condominiums - Collective	53	1,520	1.65%	4.89%
Resort Dwellings - Single	2,558	2,559	79.74%	8.24%
Resort Dwellings - Group	3	529	0.09%	1.70%
Resort Dwellings - Collective	26	657	0.81%	2.11%
TOTAL	3,208	31,072	100.00%	100.00%

Source: Florida Department of Business and Professional Regulation, Division of Hotels and Restaurants (March 13, 2007)

Table IE-4a
Housing Units³ by Vacancy Status and Tenure by Units in Structure, 2000

Polk County Units in Structure	Occupied Units			Vacant Units	Total Units	Vacant %
	Owner	Renter	Total			
1, detached	93,438	15,578	109,016	11,912	120,928	9.85%
1, attached	2,742	2,164	4,906	826	5,732	14.41%
2	583	6,061	6,644	1,070	7,714	13.87%
3 or 4	719	5,319	6,038	1,240	7,278	17.04%
5 to 9	474	4,354	4,828	1,006	5,834	17.24%
10 to 19	299	2,361	2,660	540	3,200	16.88%
20 to 49	357	1,229	1,586	367	1,953	18.79%
50 or more	381	4,577	4,958	510	5,468	9.33%
Mobile home	37,570	8,164	45,734	19,501	65,235	29.89%
Boat, RV, van, etc.	810	53	863	2,171	3,034	71.56%
TOTAL	137,373	49,860	187,233	39,143	226,376	17.29%
% Single Family	68.02%	31.24%	58.22%	30.43%	53.42%	
% Multi-Family	4.04%	52.28%	16.89%	14.20%	16.42%	
% Mobile Home	27.35%	16.37%	24.43%	49.82%	28.82%	
% Boat, RV, Van, etc.	0.59%	0.11%	0.46%	5.55%	1.34%	

Source: US Bureau of the Census, 2000 Census of Population and Housing (Summary File 3)

³ A housing unit is a house, an apartment, a mobile home, a group of rooms, or a single room occupied (or if vacant, intended for occupancy) as separate living quarters. Separate living quarters are those in which the occupants live separately from any other people in the building and that have direct access from the outside of the building or through a common hall. Both occupied and vacant housing units are included in the housing unit inventory. Boats, recreational vehicles (RVs), vans, **tents, and the like are housing units only if they are occupied as someone's usual place of residence.** Vacant mobile homes are included provided they are intended for occupancy on the site where they stand. **Vacant mobile homes on dealers' lots, at the factory, or in storage yards are excluded from the housing inventory.** Also excluded from the housing inventory are quarters being used entirely for nonresidential purposes, such as a store or an office, or quarters used for the storage of business supplies or inventory.

Table IE-4b
Housing Units by Vacancy Status and Tenure by Units in Structure, 2006

Polk County Units in Structure	Occupied Units			Vacant Units	Total Units	Vacant %
	Owner	Renter	Total			
1, detached	110,592	22,189	132,781	21,676	154,457	14.03%
1, attached	3,327	1,130	4,457	907	5,364	16.91%
2	386	8,433	8,819	1,345	10,164	13.23%
3 or 4	432	6,683	7,115	941	8,056	11.68%
5 to 9	535	6,109	6,644	1,680	8,324	20.18%
10 to 19	428	5,257	5,685	542	6,227	8.70%
20 to 49	389	1,323	1,712	870	2,582	33.69%
50 or more	489	2,861	3,350	593	3,943	15.04%
Mobile home	40,895	11,939	52,834	15,987	68,821	23.23%
Boat, RV, van, etc.	1,294	127	1,421	0	1,421	0.00%
TOTAL	158,767	66,051	224,818	44,541	269,359	16.54%
% Single Family	69.66%	33.59%	59.06%	48.67%	57.34%	
% Multi-Family	3.77%	48.14%	16.81%	15.44%	16.58%	
% Mobile Home	25.76%	18.08%	23.50%	35.89%	25.55%	
% Boat, RV, Van, etc.	0.82%	0.19%	0.63%	0.00%	0.53%	

Source: US Bureau of the Census, 2006 American Community Survey

Table IE-5a
Residents by Tenure by Units in Structure⁴, 2000

Polk County Units in Structure	Persons in Occupied Units			Persons per Occupied Unit		
	Owner	Renter	Total	Owner	Renter	Total
1, detached	250,324	45,715	296,039	2.68	2.93	2.72
1, attached	6,152	5,697	11,849	2.24	2.63	2.42
2	1,345	15,387	16,732	2.31	2.54	2.52
3 or 4	1,467	12,127	13,594	2.04	2.28	2.25
5 to 9	875	8,738	9,613	1.85	2.01	1.99
10 to 19	585	4,186	4,771	1.96	1.77	1.79
20 to 49	571	2,145	2,716	1.60	1.75	1.71
50 or more	611	7,181	7,792	1.60	1.57	1.57
Mobile home	84,139	22,719	106,858	2.24	2.78	2.34
Boat, RV, van, etc.	1,391	70	1,461	1.72	1.32	1.69
TOTAL	347,460	123,965	471,425	2.53	2.49	2.52

Source: US Bureau of the Census, 2000 Census of Population and Housing (Summary File 3)

Table IE-5b
Residents by Tenure by Units in Structure, 2006

Polk County Units in Structure	Persons in Occupied Units			Persons per Occupied Unit		
	Owner	Renter	Total	Owner	Renter	Total
1, detached or attached	292,425	64,962	357,387	2.57	2.79	2.60
2 to 4	1,531	35,949	37,480	1.87	2.38	2.35
5 or more	3,328	30,515	33,843	1.81	1.96	1.95
Mobile home	85,908	31,394	117,302	2.10	2.63	2.22
Boat, RV, van, etc.	2,448	127	2,575	1.89	1.00	1.81
TOTAL	385,640	162,947	548,587	2.43	2.47	2.44

Source: US Bureau of the Census, 2006 American Community Survey

⁴ **Tables IA-5a and IA-5b** present the number of residents in the occupied housing units shown in **Tables IA-4a and IA-4b** for 2000 and 2006, respectively, by type of housing unit. They also show the average number of residents by type of housing unit, which can be used in transportation models to estimate the number of evacuating people.

Table IE-6a
Number of Vacant Units by Vacancy Status⁵, 2000

Polk County Vacancy Status	Vacant Units	%
For rent	7,720	19.72%
For sale only	4,501	11.50%
Rented or sold, not occupied	2,334	5.96%
For seasonal, recreational, or occasional use	19,689	50.30%
For migrant workers	186	0.48%
Other vacant	4,713	12.04%
TOTAL	39,143	100.00%

Source: US Bureau of the Census, 2000 Census of Population and Housing (Summary File 3)

Table IE-6b
Number of Vacant Units by Vacancy Status, 2006

Polk County Vacancy Status	Vacant Units	%
For rent	4,814	10.81%
Rented, not occupied	807	1.81%
For sale only	4,176	9.38%
Sold, not occupied	916	2.06%
For seasonal, recreational, or occasional use	23,831	53.50%
For migrant workers	273	0.61%
Other vacant	9,724	21.83%
TOTAL	44,541	100.00%

Source: US Bureau of the Census, 2006 American Community Survey

⁵ Vacancy status and other characteristics of vacant units were determined by census enumerators obtaining information from landlords, owners, neighbors, rental agents, and others. Vacant units for seasonal, recreational, or occasional use are vacant units used or intended for use only in certain seasons, for weekends, or other occasional use throughout the year. Seasonal units include those used for summer or winter sports or recreation, such as beach cottages and hunting cabins. Seasonal units also may include quarters for such workers as herders and loggers. Interval ownership units, sometimes called shared-ownership or time-sharing condominiums, also are included in this category. Vacant migrant worker units include those intended for occupancy by migrant workers employed in farm work during the crop season. (Work in a cannery, a freezer plant, or a food-processing plant is not farm work.)

Table IE-7a
Occupied Housing Units by Tenure by Vehicles Available⁶, 2000

Polk County Vehicles Available	Number of Occupied Units			% of Occupied Units		
	Owner	Renter	Total	Owner	Renter	Total
No vehicle available	5,129	8,284	13,413	3.73%	16.61%	7.16%
1 vehicle available	52,475	25,217	77,692	38.20%	50.58%	41.49%
2 vehicles available	57,839	13,476	71,315	42.10%	27.03%	38.09%
3 vehicles available	16,600	2,259	18,859	12.08%	4.53%	10.07%
4 vehicles available	4,100	357	4,457	2.98%	0.72%	2.38%
5 or more vehicles available	1,230	267	1,497	0.90%	0.54%	0.80%
TOTAL	137,373	49,860	187,233	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%

Source: US Bureau of the Census, 2000 Census of Population and Housing (Summary File 3)

Table IE-7b
Occupied Housing Units by Tenure by Vehicles Available, 2006

Polk County Vehicles Available	Number of Occupied Units			% of Occupied Units		
	Owner	Renter	Total	Owner	Renter	Total
No vehicle available	4,673	9,497	14,170	2.94%	14.38%	6.30%
1 vehicle available	59,163	32,413	91,576	37.26%	49.07%	40.73%
2 vehicles available	66,946	18,956	85,902	42.17%	28.70%	38.21%
3 vehicles available	21,682	3,951	25,633	13.66%	5.98%	11.40%
4 vehicles available	4,586	659	5,245	2.89%	1.00%	2.33%
5 or more vehicles available	1,717	575	2,292	1.08%	0.87%	1.02%
TOTAL	158,767	66,051	224,818	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%

Source: US Bureau of the Census, 2006 American Community Survey

⁶ These data show the number of passenger cars, vans, and pickup or panel trucks of 1-ton capacity or less kept at home and available for the use of household members. Vehicles rented or leased for 1 month or more, company vehicles, and police and government vehicles are included if kept at home and used for non-business purposes. Dismantled or immobile vehicles are excluded. Vehicles kept at home but used only for business purposes also are excluded.

Table IE-8a
Number of Vehicles by Tenure and Vehicles per Occupied Unit, 2000

Polk County Vehicles Available	Number of Vehicles by Tenure			% of Vehicles in Occupied Units		
	Owner	Renter	Total	Owner	Renter	Total
Aggregate Number of Vehicles	241,181	62,023	303,204	79.54%	20.46%	100.00%
Vehicles per Occupied Unit	1.76	1.24	1.62			

Source: US Bureau of the Census, 2000 Census of Population and Housing (Summary File 3)

Table IE-8b
Number of Vehicles by Tenure and Vehicles per Occupied Unit, 2006

Polk County Vehicles Available	Number of Vehicles by Tenure			% of Vehicles in Occupied Units		
	Owner	Renter	Total	Owner	Renter	Total
Aggregate Number of Vehicles	285,455	87,730	373,185	76.49%	23.51%	100.00%
Vehicles per Occupied Unit	1.80	1.33	1.66			

Source: US Bureau of the Census, 2006 American Community Survey

Table IE-9a
Resident Population by Gender and Age, 2000

Polk County Age Categories	Absolute Number			% of Total Population		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Age under 5 years	15,963	14,781	30,744	6.72%	6.00%	6.35%
Age 5 to 17 years	44,898	41,915	86,813	18.91%	17.00%	17.94%
Age 18 to 24 years	20,733	19,426	40,159	8.73%	7.88%	8.30%
Age 25 to 34 years	28,736	29,242	57,978	12.10%	11.86%	11.98%
Age 35 to 44 years	35,139	35,229	70,368	14.80%	14.29%	14.54%
Age 45 to 54 years	29,253	30,559	59,812	12.32%	12.40%	12.36%
Age 55 to 64 years	23,405	26,069	49,474	9.86%	10.58%	10.22%
Age 65 to 74 years	22,607	25,431	48,038	9.52%	10.32%	9.93%
Age 75 to 84 years	13,904	17,683	31,587	5.86%	7.17%	6.53%
Age 85 years and over	2,776	6,175	8,951	1.17%	2.50%	1.85%
TOTAL	237,414	246,510	483,924	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
% Age under 18 years	25.63%	23.00%	24.29%			
% Age 65 years and over	16.55%	19.99%	18.30%			

Source: US Bureau of the Census, 2000 Census of Population and Housing (Summary File 3)

Table IE-9b
Resident Population by Gender and Age, 2006

Polk County Age Categories	Absolute Number			% of Total Population		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
Age under 5 years	19,419	18,499	37,918	7.02%	6.49%	6.75%
Age 5 to 17 years	49,472	46,810	96,282	17.88%	16.43%	17.14%
Age 18 to 24 years	24,642	24,169	48,811	8.91%	8.48%	8.69%
Age 25 to 34 years	39,021	36,658	75,679	14.10%	12.87%	13.48%
Age 35 to 44 years	37,504	36,582	74,086	13.55%	12.84%	13.19%
Age 45 to 54 years	35,357	36,236	71,593	12.78%	12.72%	12.75%
Age 55 to 64 years	28,812	31,819	60,631	10.41%	11.17%	10.80%
Age 65 to 74 years	21,624	25,200	46,824	7.81%	8.85%	8.34%
Age 75 to 84 years	16,902	21,447	38,349	6.11%	7.53%	6.83%
Age 85 years and over	3,967	7,466	11,433	1.43%	2.62%	2.04%
TOTAL	276,720	284,886	561,606	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
% Age under 18 years	24.90%	22.92%	23.90%			
% Age 65 years and over	15.36%	18.99%	17.20%			

Source: US Bureau of the Census, 2006 American Community Survey

Table IE-10a
Resident Population by Race and Ethnicity⁷, 2000

Polk County Race Categories	Ethnicity – Hispanic or Latino			% of Total Population		
	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Total	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Total
White alone	361,079	23,399	384,478	82.39%	51.26%	79.45%
Black or African American alone	62,743	966	63,709	14.32%	2.12%	13.17%
Other race alone and 2+ races	14,452	21,285	35,737	3.30%	46.63%	7.38%
TOTAL	438,274	45,650	483,924	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%

Source: US Bureau of the Census, 2000 Census of Population and Housing (Summary File 3)

Table IE-10b
Resident Population by Race and Ethnicity, 2006

Polk County Race Categories	Ethnicity – Hispanic or Latino			% of Total Population		
	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Total	Non-Hispanic	Hispanic	Total
White alone	385,807	41,628	427,435	80.38%	50.99%	76.11%
Black or African American alone	76,102	876	76,978	15.86%	1.07%	13.71%
Other race alone and 2+ races	18,051	39,142	57,193	3.76%	47.94%	10.18%
TOTAL	479,960	81,646	561,606	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%

Source: US Bureau of the Census, 2006 American Community Survey

⁷ Race and ethnicity are separate categories in both the 2000 Census and the 2006 American Community Survey (ACS). For each person the surveys included two separate questions. The first asks whether each person in the household considers himself/herself to be of Hispanic or Latino origin (ethnicity). The second asks each person in the household to identify one or more racial categories that should be used to classify his/her racial makeup. Both questions request the respondent to classify himself/herself, rather than having a Census Bureau employee assign a classification. The tables presented here are cross-tabulations of the two characteristics. Race is tabulated into three categories: (1) White persons who identified only one race (White alone); (2) Black or African American persons who identified only one race (Black or African American alone); and (3) persons of other races who identified only one race (Other race alone) and those who identified two or more races, combined into a single category. For each race category, the totals were calculated for those who indicated that they were of Hispanic or Latino origin and those who indicated that they were not.

Table IE-11a
Resident Population by Age, Household⁸ Type and Relationship, 2000

Polk County Household Type, Relationship	Number of Persons, by Age			% of Total Population		
	Under 65	65+	Total	Under 65	65+	Total
In households	386,747	84,678	471,425	97.82%	95.60%	97.42%
In family households	344,636	60,878	405,514	87.17%	68.73%	83.80%
In nonfamily households	42,111	23,800	65,911	10.65%	26.87%	13.62%
Male householder	17,561	6,228	23,789	4.44%	7.03%	4.92%
Living alone	12,915	5,555	18,470	3.27%	6.27%	3.82%
Not living alone	4,646	673	5,319	1.18%	0.76%	1.10%
Female householder	14,083	16,342	30,425	3.56%	18.45%	6.29%
Living alone	10,911	15,661	26,572	2.76%	17.68%	5.49%
Not living alone	3,172	681	3,853	0.80%	0.77%	0.80%
Nonrelatives	10,467	1,230	11,697	2.65%	1.39%	2.42%
In group quarters	8,601	3,898	12,499	2.18%	4.40%	2.58%
Institutionalized population	5,623	3,147	8,770	1.42%	3.55%	1.81%
Non-institutionalized population	2,978	751	3,729	0.75%	0.85%	0.77%
TOTAL	395,348	88,576	483,924	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
Population Living Alone	23,826	21,216	45,042	6.03%	23.95%	9.31%

Source: US Bureau of the Census, 2000 Census of Population and Housing (Summary File 3)

⁸ A household includes all of the people who occupy a housing unit. (People not living in households are classified as living in group quarters.) A family includes a householder and one or more other people living in the same household who are related to the householder by birth, marriage or adoption. All people in a household who are related to the householder are regarded as members of his or her family. A family household may contain people not related to the householder, but those people are not included as part of the householder's family in census tabulations. Not all households contain families since a household may be comprised of a group of unrelated people or of one person living alone (nonfamily households).

Table IE-11b
Resident Population by Age, Household Type and Relationship, 2006

Polk County Household Type, Relationship	Number of Persons, by Age			% of Total Population		
	Under 65	65+	Total	Under 65	65+	Total
In households	455,619	92,968	548,587	97.98%	96.23%	97.68%
In family households	396,048	67,706	463,754	85.17%	70.08%	82.58%
In nonfamily households	59,571	25,262	84,833	12.81%	26.15%	15.11%
Male householder	24,933	6,877	31,810	5.36%	7.12%	5.66%
Living alone	16,609	6,414	23,023	3.57%	6.64%	4.10%
Not living alone	8,324	463	8,787	1.79%	0.48%	1.56%
Female householder	17,775	17,386	35,161	3.82%	18.00%	6.26%
Living alone	13,657	16,820	30,477	2.94%	17.41%	5.43%
Not living alone	4,118	566	4,684	0.89%	0.59%	0.83%
Nonrelatives	16,863	999	17,862	3.63%	1.03%	3.18%
In group quarters	9,381	3,638	13,019	2.02%	3.77%	2.32%
Institutionalized population	0			0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
Non-institutionalized population	0			0.00%	0.00%	0.00%
TOTAL	465,000	96,606	561,606	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
Population Living Alone	30,266	23,234	53,500	6.51%	24.05%	9.53%

Source: US Bureau of the Census, 2006 American Community Survey

Table IE-12a
Resident Population by Place of Birth and Citizenship Status, 2000

Polk County Place of Birth	Absolute Number	%
Native - Born in state of residence	209,544	43.30%
Native - Born in other state in the US	231,886	47.92%
Native - Born outside the United States	8,975	1.85%
Foreign-born - Naturalized citizen	11,908	2.46%
Foreign-born - Not a citizen	21,611	4.47%
TOTAL	483,924	100.00%

Source: US Bureau of the Census, 2000 Census of Population and Housing (Summary File 3)

Table IE-12b
Resident Population by Place of Birth and Citizenship Status, 2006

Polk County Place of Birth	Absolute Number	%
Native - Born in state of residence	234,954	41.84%
Native - Born in other state in the US	252,853	45.02%
Native - Born outside the United States	12,907	2.30%
Foreign-born - Naturalized citizen	20,248	3.61%
Foreign-born - Not a citizen	40,644	7.24%
TOTAL	561,606	100.00%

Source: US Bureau of the Census, 2006 American Community Survey

Table IE-13a
Households by Language and Linguistic Isolation⁹, 2000

Polk County Language Spoken in the Household	Households by Linguistic Isolation			Linguistic Isolation (%)		
	Isolated	Not Isolated	Total	Isolated	Not Isolated	Total
English	0	163,123	163,123	0.00%	100.00%	100.00%
Spanish	3,708	12,047	15,755	23.54%	76.46%	100.00%
Other Indo-European languages	780	5,378	6,158	12.67%	87.33%	100.00%
Asian & Pacific Island languages	384	1,318	1,702	22.56%	77.44%	100.00%
Other languages	76	348	424	17.92%	82.08%	100.00%
TOTAL	4,948	182,214	187,162	2.64%	97.36%	100.00%

Source: US Bureau of the Census, 2000 Census of Population and Housing (Summary File 3)

Table IE-13b
Households by Language and Linguistic Isolation, 2006

Polk County Language Spoken in the Household	Households by Linguistic Isolation			Linguistic Isolation (%)		
	Isolated	Not Isolated	Total	Isolated	Not Isolated	Total
English	0	187,873	187,873	0.00%	100.00%	100.00%
Spanish	9,584	16,550	26,134	36.67%	63.33%	100.00%
Other Indo-European languages	1,872	5,624	7,496	24.97%	75.03%	100.00%
Asian & Pacific Island languages	641	1,661	2,302	27.85%	72.15%	100.00%
Other languages	199	814	1,013	19.64%	80.36%	100.00%
TOTAL	12,296	212,522	224,818	5.47%	94.53%	100.00%

Source: US Bureau of the Census, 2006 American Community Survey

⁹ A household in which no person 14 years old and over speaks only English and no person 14 years old and over who speaks a language other than English speaks English "very well" is classified as "linguistically isolated." In other words, a household in which all members 14 years old and over speak a non-English language and also speak English less than "very well" (have difficulty with English) is "linguistically isolated." All the members of a linguistically isolated household are tabulated as linguistically isolated, including members under 14 years old who may speak only English.

Table IE-14a
Civilian Non-Institutionalized Population 5 Years and Over by
Disability Status¹⁰, 2000

Polk County Age	Disability Status			Disability Status (%)		
	With	Without	Total	With	Without	Total
5 to 15 years	4,777	68,934	73,711	6.48%	93.52%	100.00%
16 to 20 years	5,432	25,520	30,952	17.55%	82.45%	100.00%
21 to 64 years	63,924	190,152	254,076	25.16%	74.84%	100.00%
65 to 74 years	15,440	32,078	47,518	32.49%	67.51%	100.00%
75 and over	19,906	18,005	37,911	52.51%	47.49%	100.00%
TOTAL	109,479	334,689	444,168	24.65%	75.35%	100.00%

Source: US Bureau of the Census, 2000 Census of Population and Housing (Summary File 3)

¹⁰ The data on disability status were derived from answers to two long-form questionnaire items. The first was a two-part question that asked about the existence of the following long-lasting conditions: (a) blindness, deafness, or a severe vision or hearing impairment (sensory disability) and (b) a condition that substantially limits one or more basic physical activities, such as walking, climbing stairs, reaching, lifting, or carrying (physical disability). This question was asked of a sample of the population 5 years old and over. The second was a four-part question that asked if the individual had a physical, mental, or emotional condition lasting 6 months or more that made it difficult to perform certain activities. The four activity categories were: (a) learning, remembering, or concentrating (mental disability); (b) dressing, bathing, or getting around inside the home (self-care disability); (c) going outside the home alone to shop or visit a doctor's office (going outside the home disability); and (d) working at a job or business (employment disability). Categories (a) and (b) were asked of a sample of the population 5 years old and over; (c) and (d) were asked of a sample of the population 16 years old and over. For data products that use a disability status indicator, individuals were classified as having a disability if any of the following three conditions were true: (1) they were 5 years old and over and had a response of "yes" to a sensory, physical, mental or self-care disability; (2) they were 16 years old and over and had a response of "yes" to going outside the home disability; or (3) they were 16 to 64 years old and had a response of "yes" to employment disability.

Table IE-14b
Civilian Non-Institutionalized Population 5 Years and Over by
Disability Status¹¹, 2006

Polk County Age	Disability Status			Disability Status (%)		
	With	Without	Total	With	Without	Total
5 to 15 years	5,085	74,852	79,937	6.36%	93.64%	100.00%
16 to 20 years	2,583	32,349	34,932	7.39%	92.61%	100.00%
21 to 64 years	43,192	262,921	306,113	14.11%	85.89%	100.00%
65 to 74 years	14,613	31,638	46,251	31.59%	68.41%	100.00%
75 and over	23,490	24,109	47,599	49.35%	50.65%	100.00%
TOTAL	88,963	425,869	514,832	17.28%	82.72%	100.00%

Source: US Bureau of the Census, 2006 American Community Survey

¹¹ In response to evidence suggesting that mail respondents reported certain disabilities in error in the 2000 Census and in the initial years of the ACS, the Census Bureau introduced changes to the ACS questionnaire starting in 2003. Initial review of the data shows that the question redesign had the expected effect on mail respondents, lowering the rates of disability overall by reducing over-reporting in go-outside-home disability and employment disability after the change. This change affected primarily the respondents in the age range from 16 to 64 years, and makes comparisons between results of the 2000 Census and the 2006 ACS inappropriate. The 2006 ACS is believed to have more reliable results.

Table IE-15a
Resident Population 16 Years and Over by Gender and Employment Status, 2000

Polk County Employment Status	Absolute Number			% of Total Population 16 and Over		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
In labor force	117,841	101,405	219,246	64.27%	51.77%	57.81%
In Armed Forces	174	68	242	0.09%	0.03%	0.06%
Civilian	117,667	101,337	219,004	64.17%	51.73%	57.75%
Employed	111,358	95,102	206,460	60.73%	48.55%	54.44%
Unemployed	6,309	6,235	12,544	3.44%	3.18%	3.31%
Not in labor force	65,516	94,474	159,990	35.73%	48.23%	42.19%
TOTAL	183,357	195,879	379,236	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.35%	6.15%	5.72%			

Source: US Bureau of the Census, 2000 Census of Population and Housing (Summary File 3)

Table IE-15b
Resident Population 16 Years and Over by Gender and Employment Status, 2006

Polk County Employment Status	Absolute Number			% of Total Population 16 and Over		
	Male	Female	Total	Male	Female	Total
In labor force	141,748	118,749	260,497	65.49%	52.32%	58.75%
In Armed Forces	333	49	382	0.15%	0.02%	0.09%
Civilian	141,415	118,700	260,115	65.34%	52.30%	58.66%
Employed	133,780	110,843	244,623	61.81%	48.84%	55.17%
Unemployed	7,635	7,857	15,492	3.53%	3.46%	3.49%
Not in labor force	74,693	108,205	182,898	34.51%	47.68%	41.25%
TOTAL	216,441	226,954	443,395	100.00%	100.00%	100.00%
Unemployment Rate (%)	5.39%	6.62%	5.95%			

Source: US Bureau of the Census, 2006 American Community Survey

Table IE-16a
Resident Population by Poverty Status and by Age, 2000

Polk County Age	Income in 1999 - Poverty Status			Poverty Status (%)		
	Below	Above	Total	Below	Above	Total
Under 5 years	6,425	23,705	30,130	21.32%	78.68%	100.00%
5 years	1,279	4,733	6,012	21.27%	78.73%	100.00%
6 to 11 years	7,819	31,445	39,264	19.91%	80.09%	100.00%
12 to 17 years	7,083	32,637	39,720	17.83%	82.17%	100.00%
18 to 64 years	31,413	239,224	270,637	11.61%	88.39%	100.00%
65 to 74 years	3,318	44,200	47,518	6.98%	93.02%	100.00%
75 years and over	3,616	34,295	37,911	9.54%	90.46%	100.00%
TOTAL	60,953	410,239	471,192	12.94%	87.06%	100.00%
Under 18	22,606	92,520	115,126	19.64%	80.36%	100.00%
65+	6,934	78,495	85,429	8.12%	91.88%	100.00%

Source: US Bureau of the Census, 2000 Census of Population and Housing (Summary File 3)

Table IE-16b
Resident Population by Poverty Status and by Age, 2006

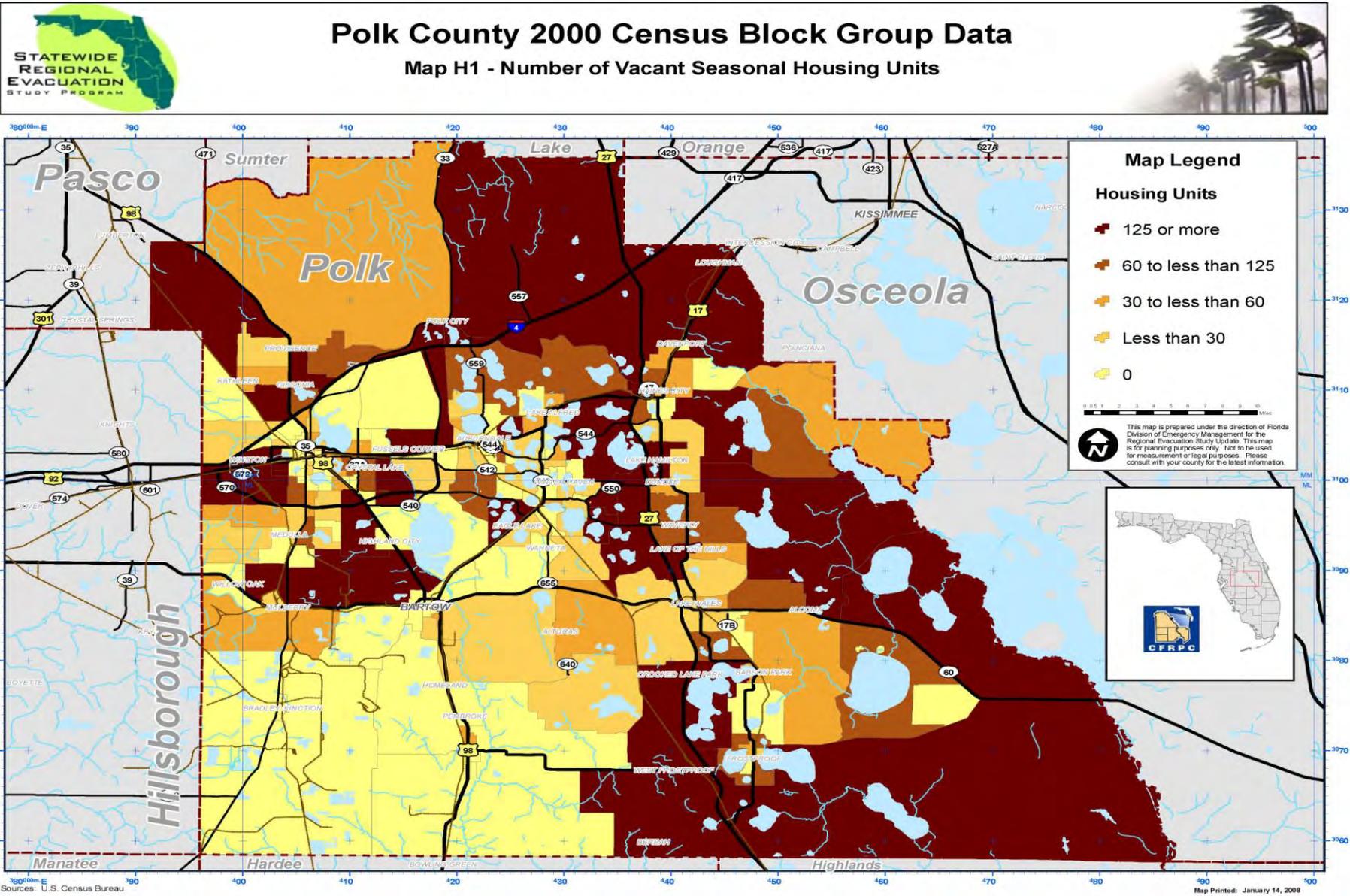
Polk County Age	Income in 2006 - Poverty Status			Poverty Status (%)		
	Below	Above	Total	Below	Above	Total
Under 5 years	8,173	29,190	37,363	21.87%	78.13%	100.00%
5 years	1,228	5,247	6,475	18.97%	81.03%	100.00%
6 to 11 years	7,287	34,066	41,353	17.62%	82.38%	100.00%
12 to 17 years	8,481	37,262	45,743	18.54%	81.46%	100.00%
18 to 64 years	39,375	282,864	322,239	12.22%	87.78%	100.00%
65 to 74 years	4,291	41,960	46,251	9.28%	90.72%	100.00%
75 years and over	3,886	43,713	47,599	8.16%	91.84%	100.00%
TOTAL	72,721	474,302	547,023	13.29%	86.71%	100.00%
Under 18	25,169	105,765	130,934	19.22%	80.78%	100.00%
65+	8,177	85,673	93,850	8.71%	91.29%	100.00%

Source: US Bureau of the Census, 2006 American Community Survey

Table IE-17
Generalized Future Land Uses, 2006

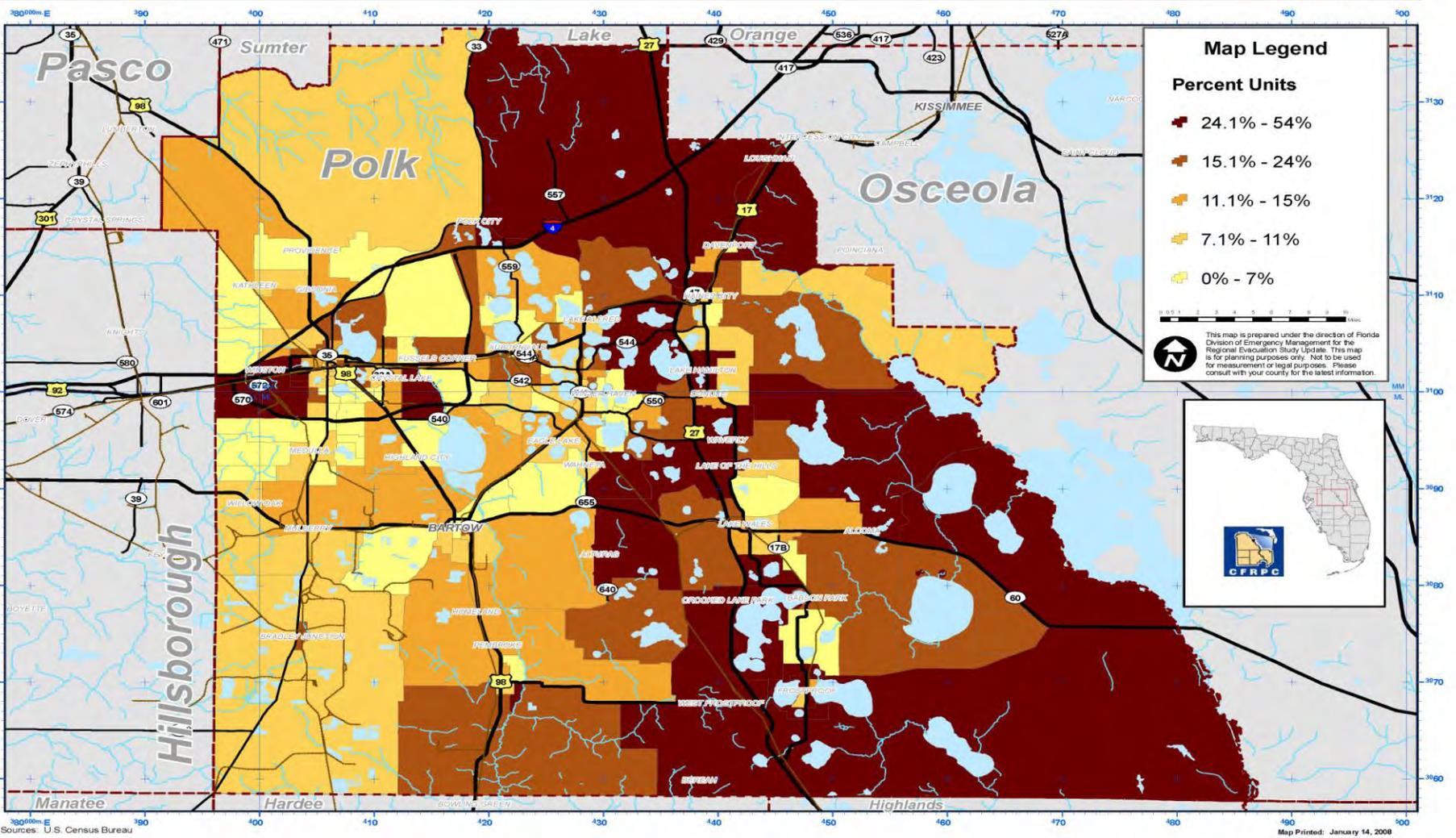
Code	Land Use Category	Acres	%
AG	Agriculture	25,162	3.0%
COM	Commercial/Office	27,119	3.2%
CONS	Conservation	492,542	58.3%
IND	Industrial	61,964	7.3%
MU	Mixed-Use	8,845	1.0%
PUB	Institutional, Government	5,820	0.7%
REC	Recreation/Open Space	10,366	1.2%
RH	Residential High Density	15,131	1.8%
RL	Residential Low Density	21,175	2.5%
RM	Residential Medium Density	103,362	12.2%
WAT	Water Bodies	73,224	8.7%
TOTAL		844,710	100.0%

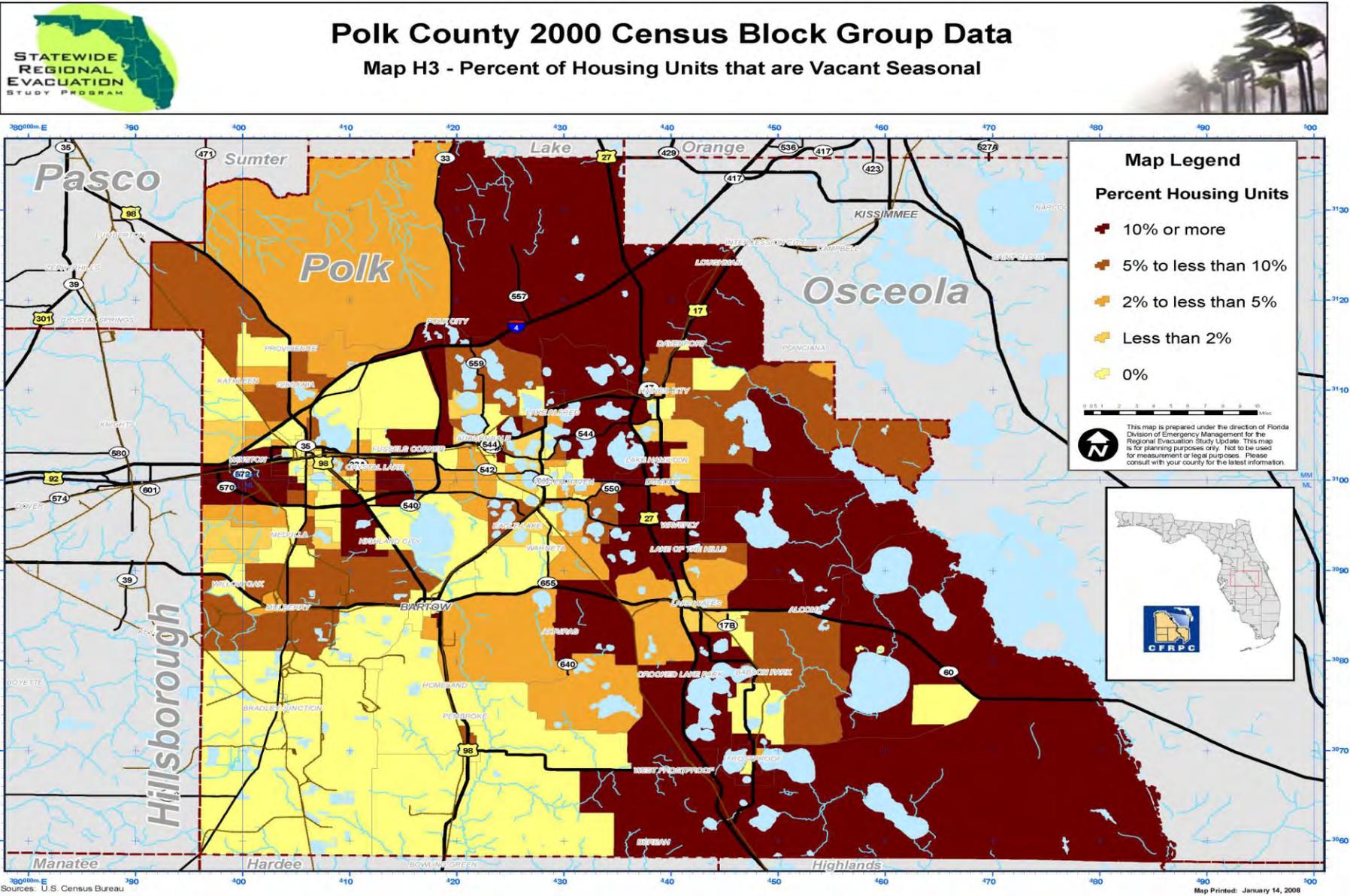
Source: Polk County, South Florida Water Management District, US Bureau of the Census

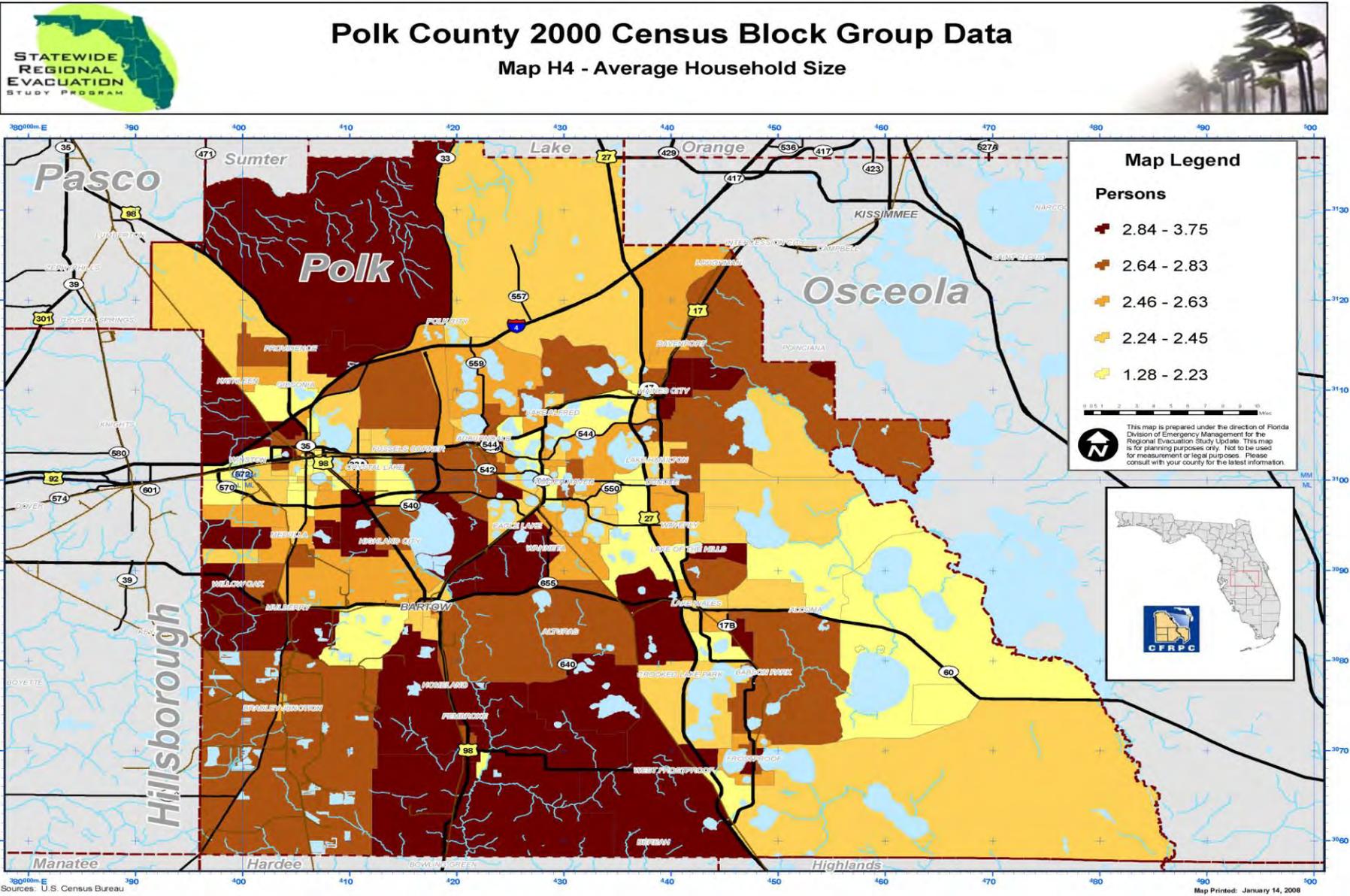


Polk County 2000 Census Block Group Data

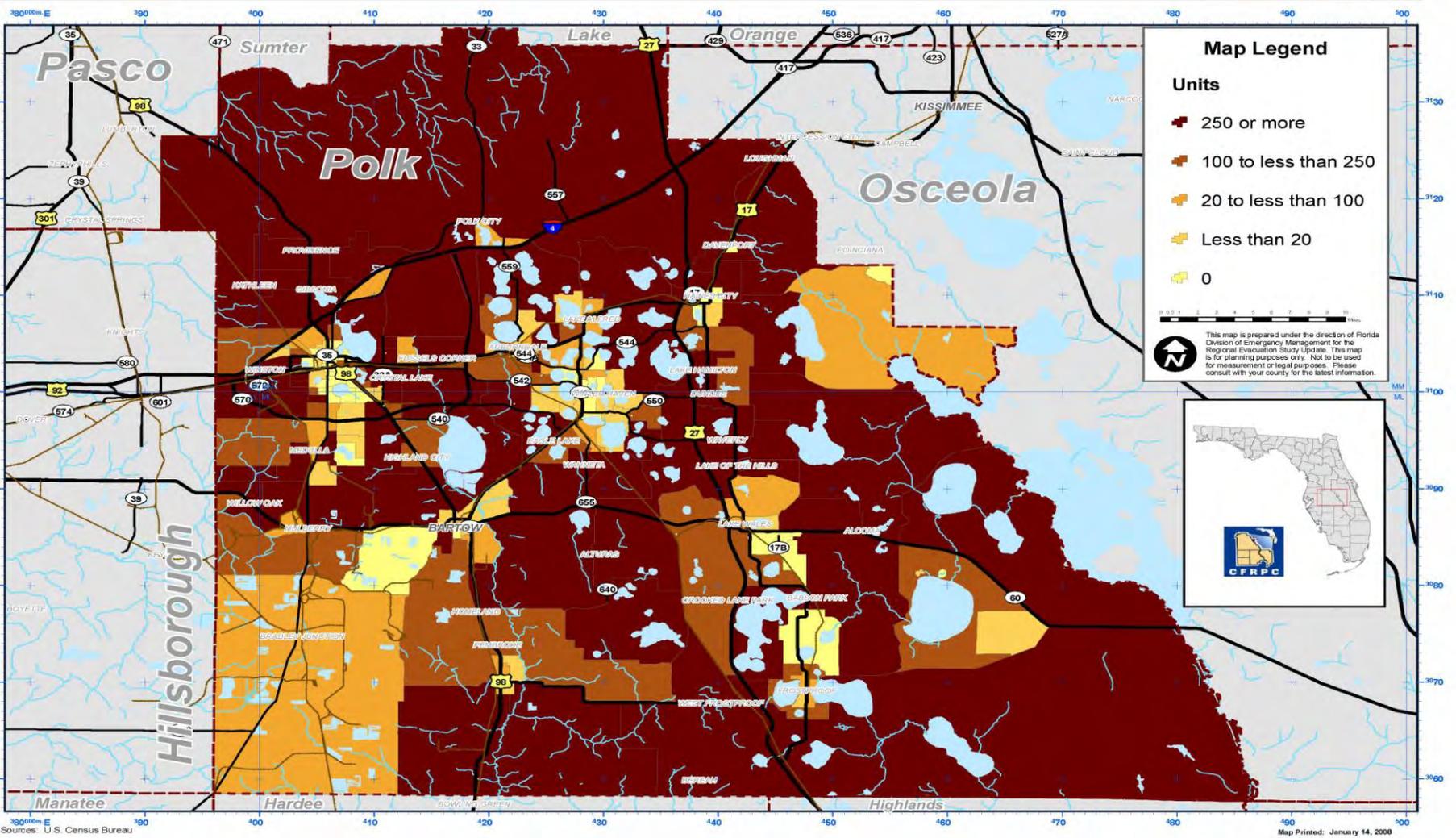
Map H2 - Percent of Housing Units that are Vacant





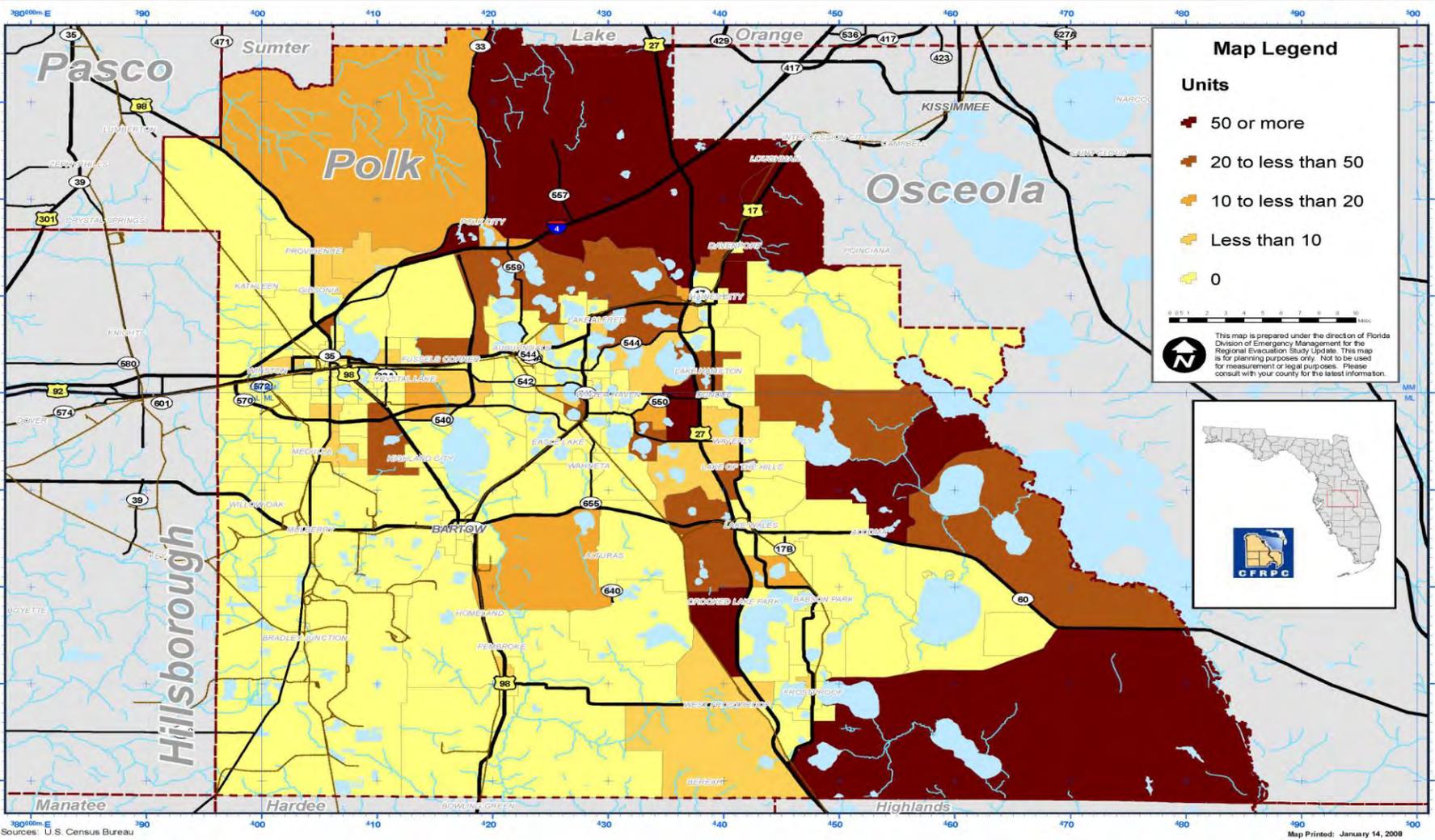


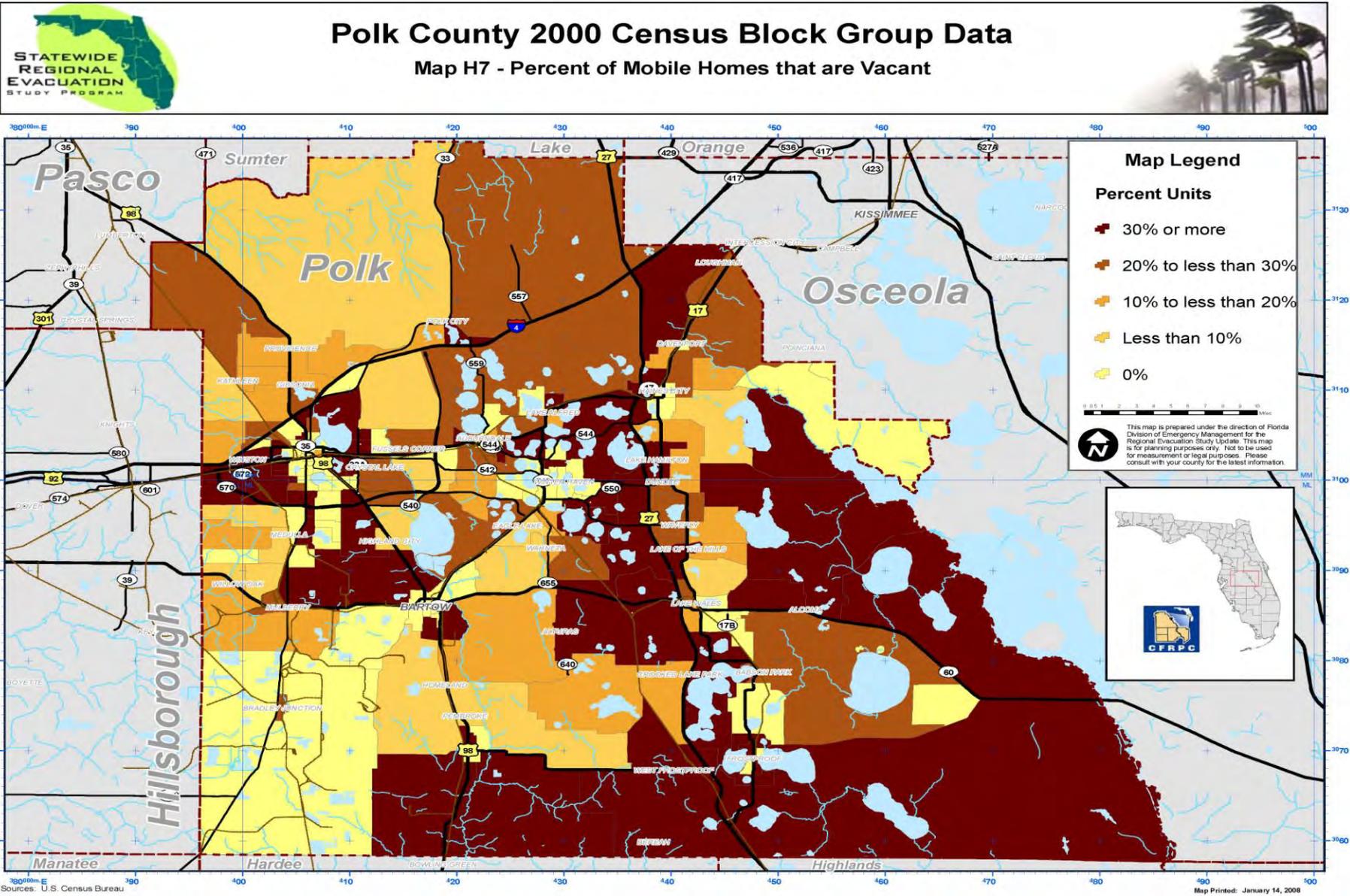
Polk County 2000 Census Block Group Data
Map H5 - Number of Mobile Homes

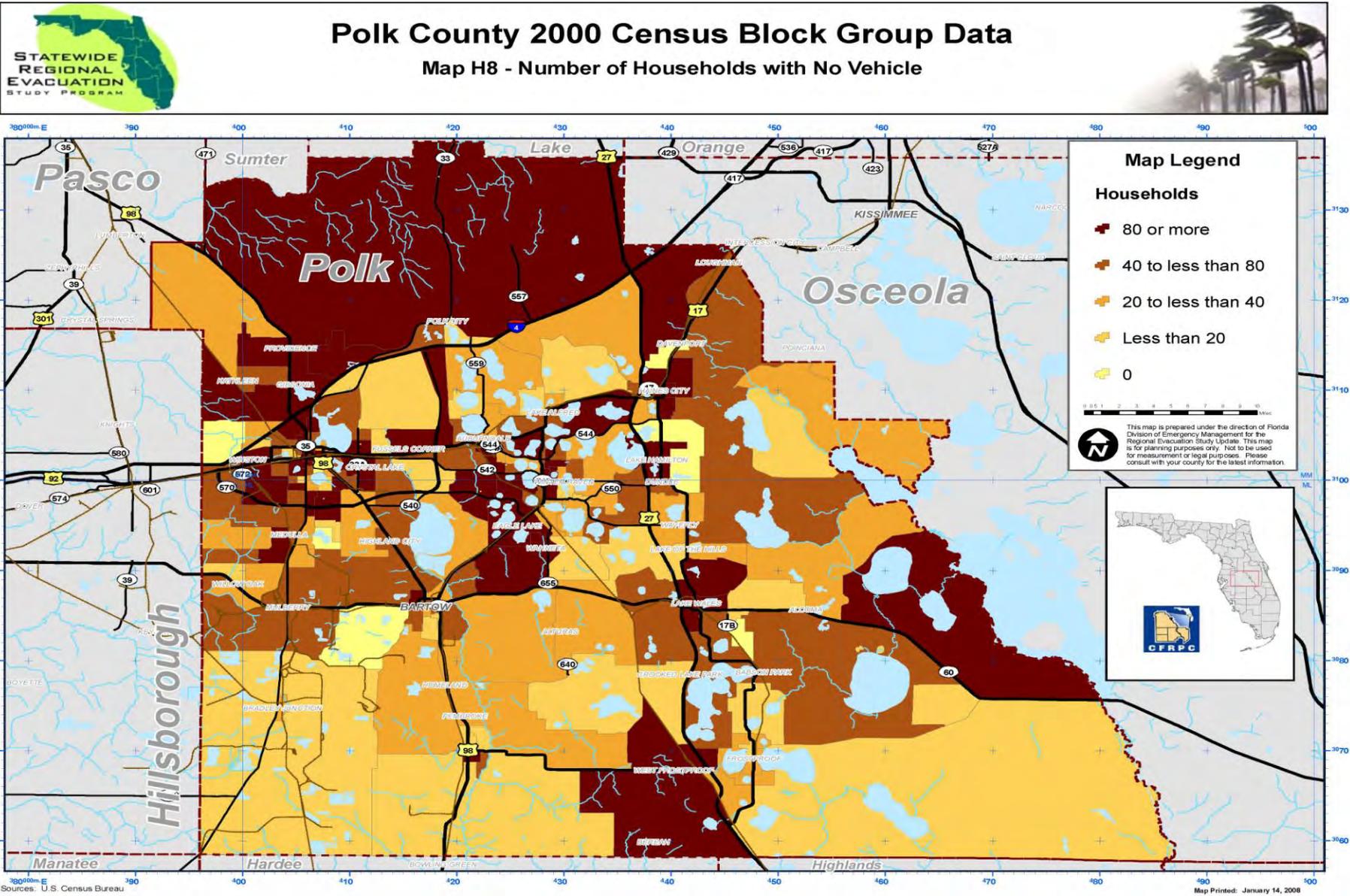


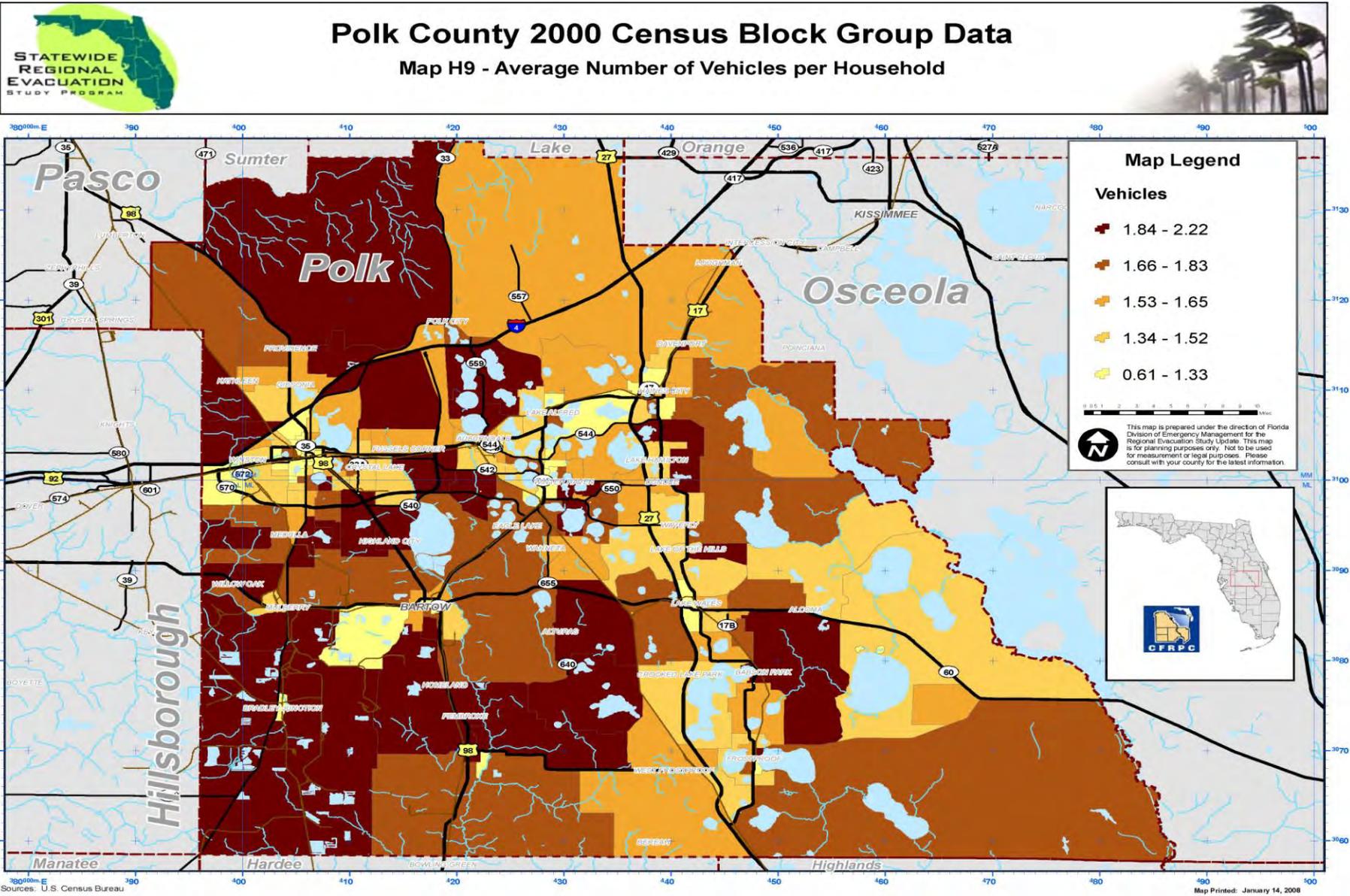
Polk County 2000 Census Block Group Data

Map H6 - Number of Boats, RVs and Vans



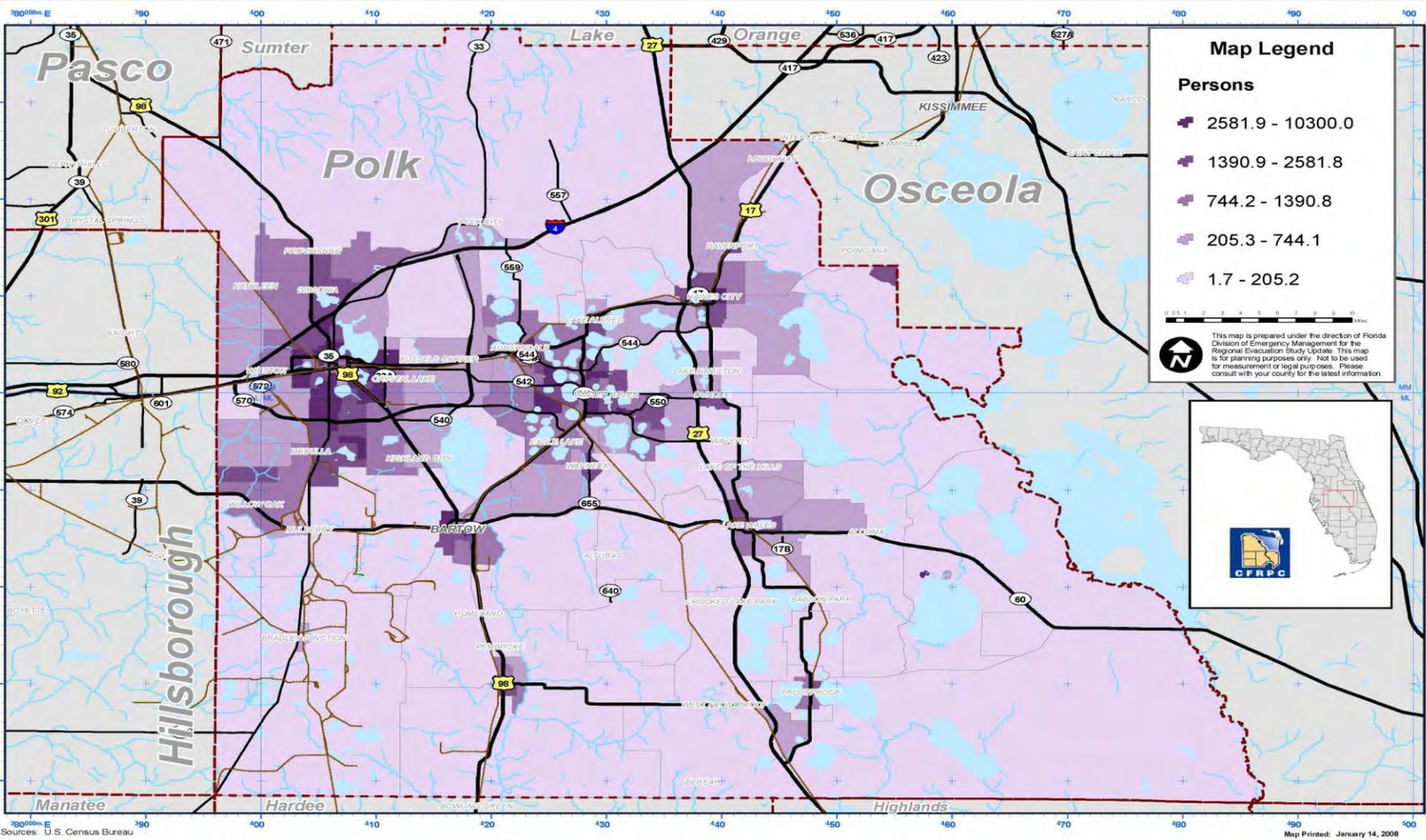


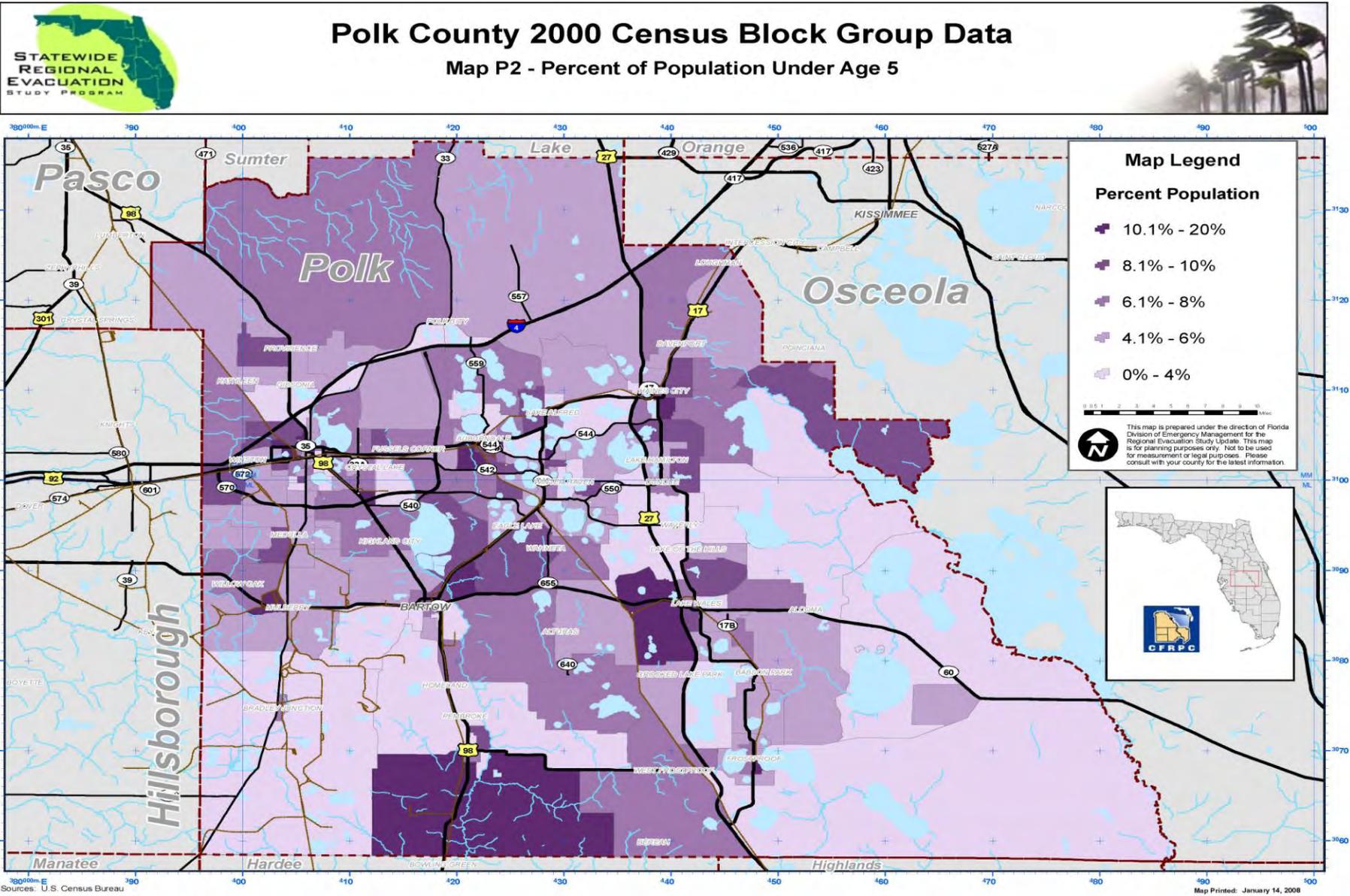


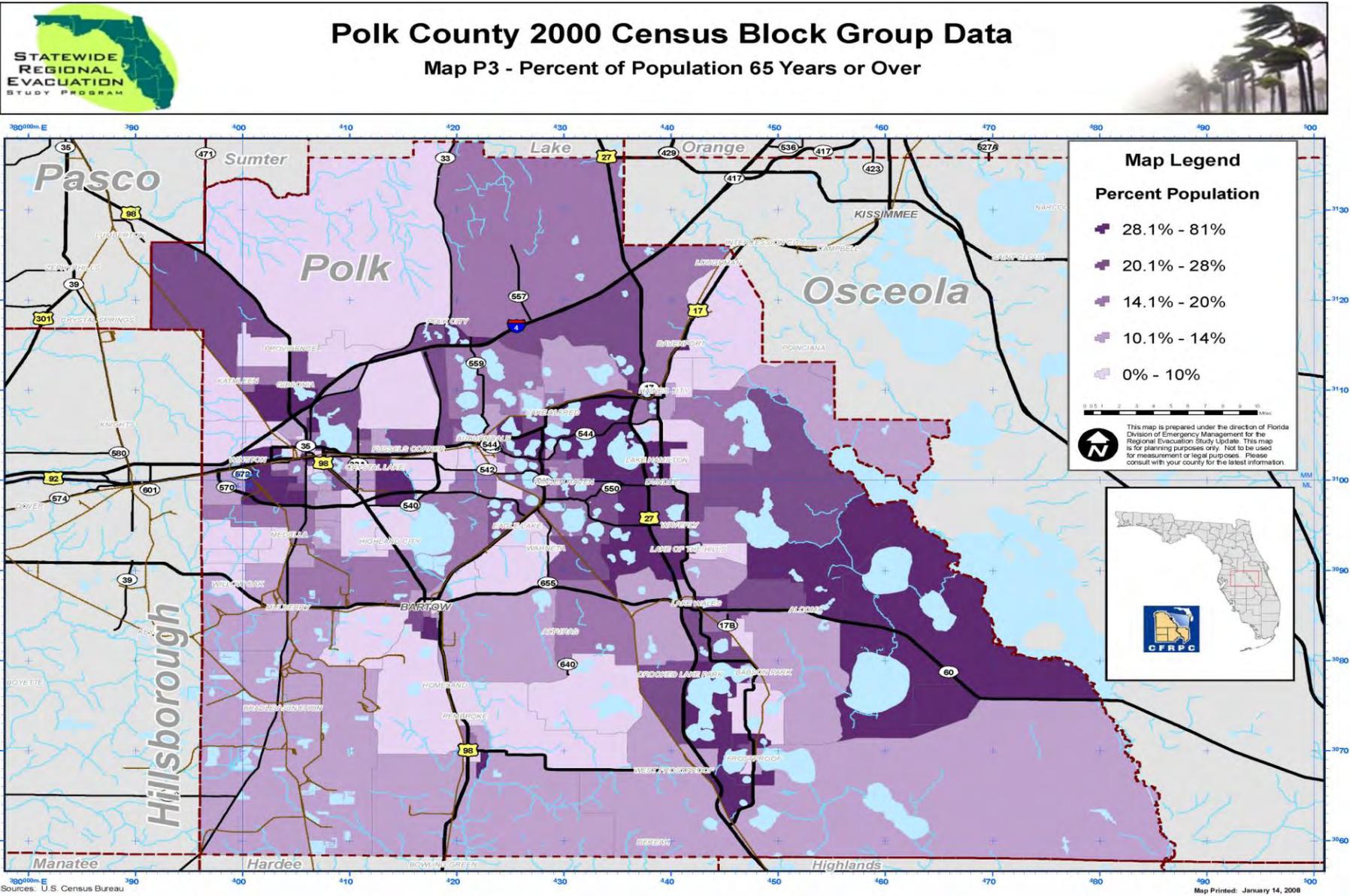


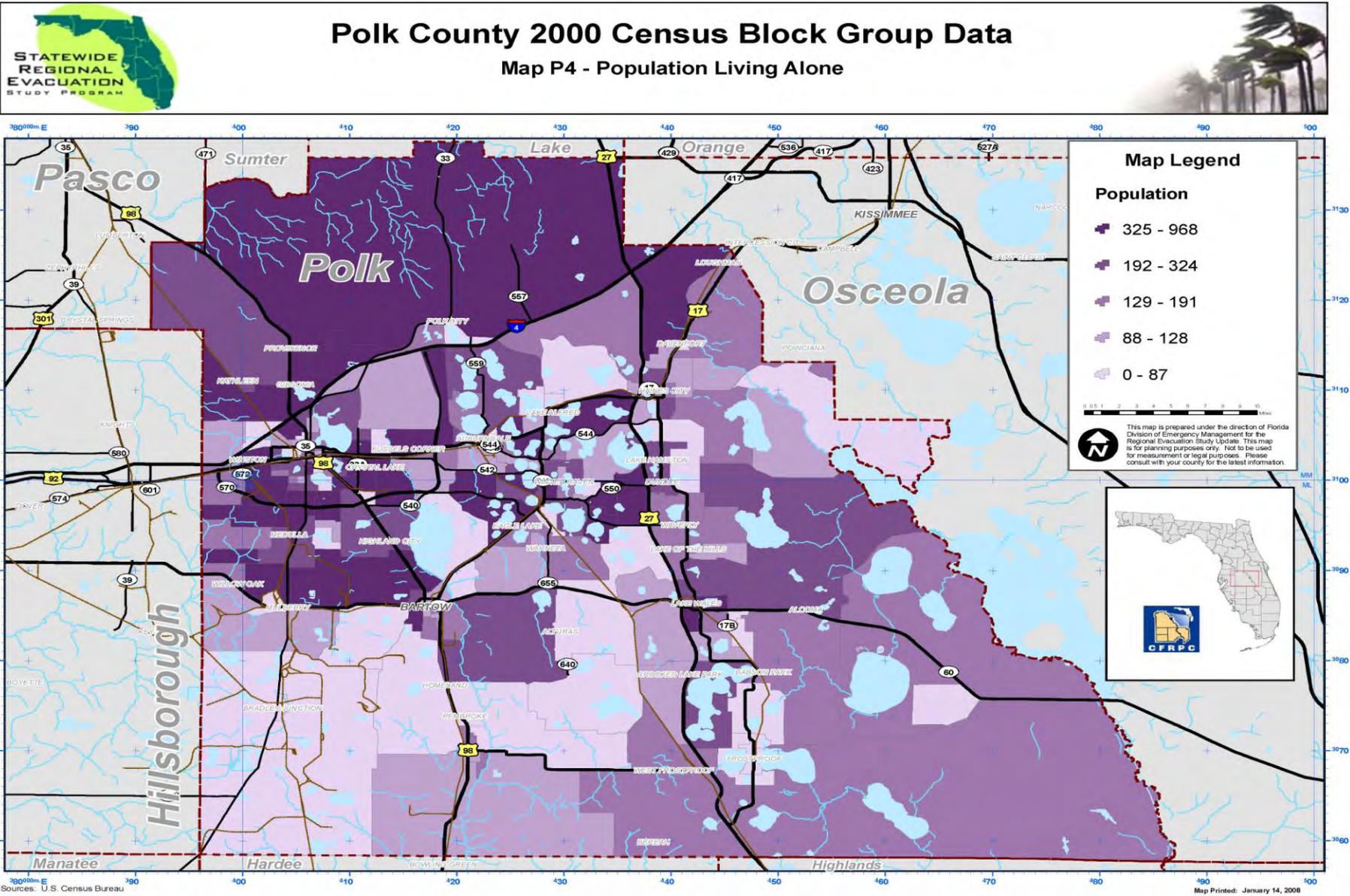
Polk County 2000 Census Block Group Data

Map P1 - Residents per Square Mile



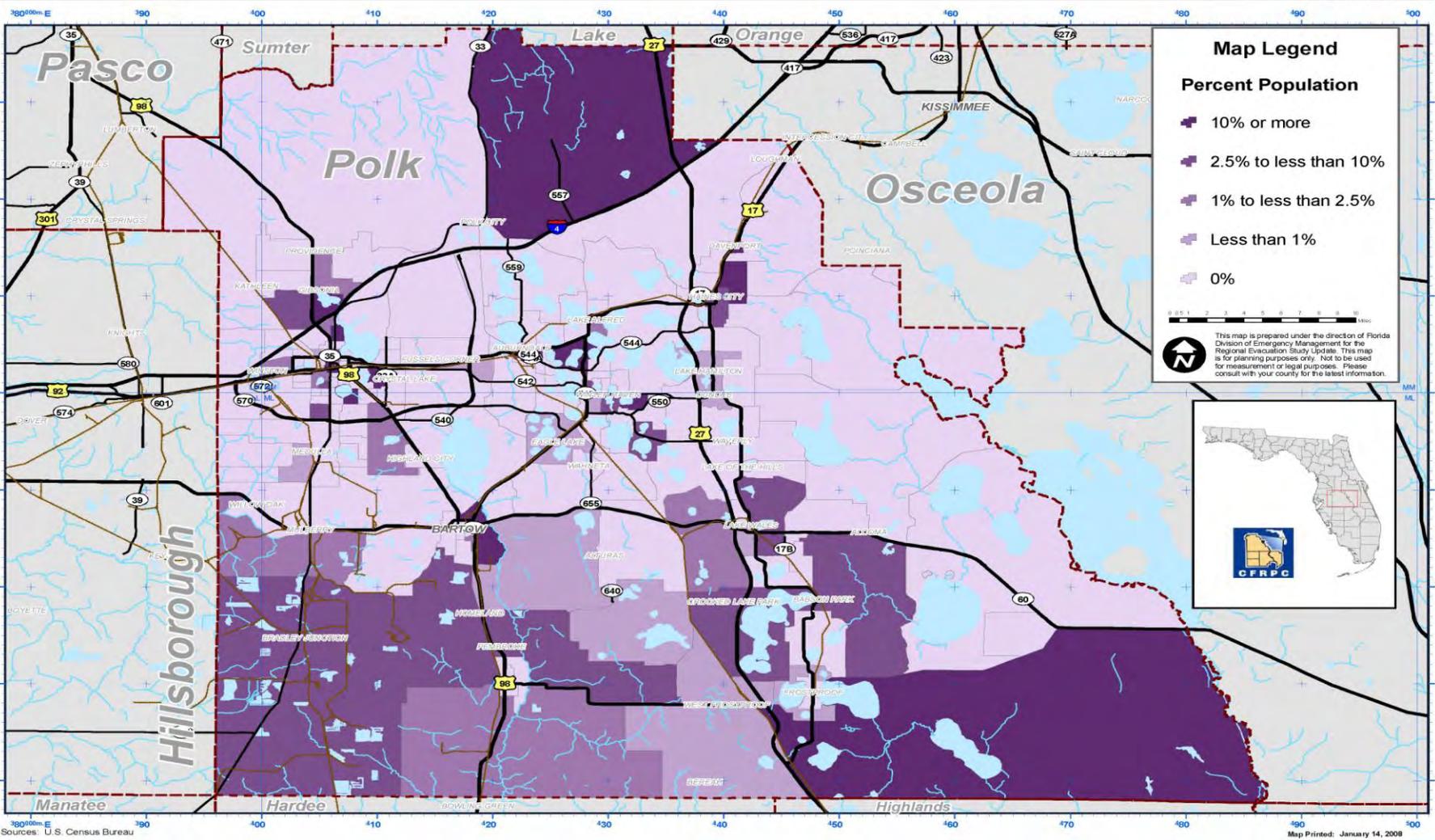


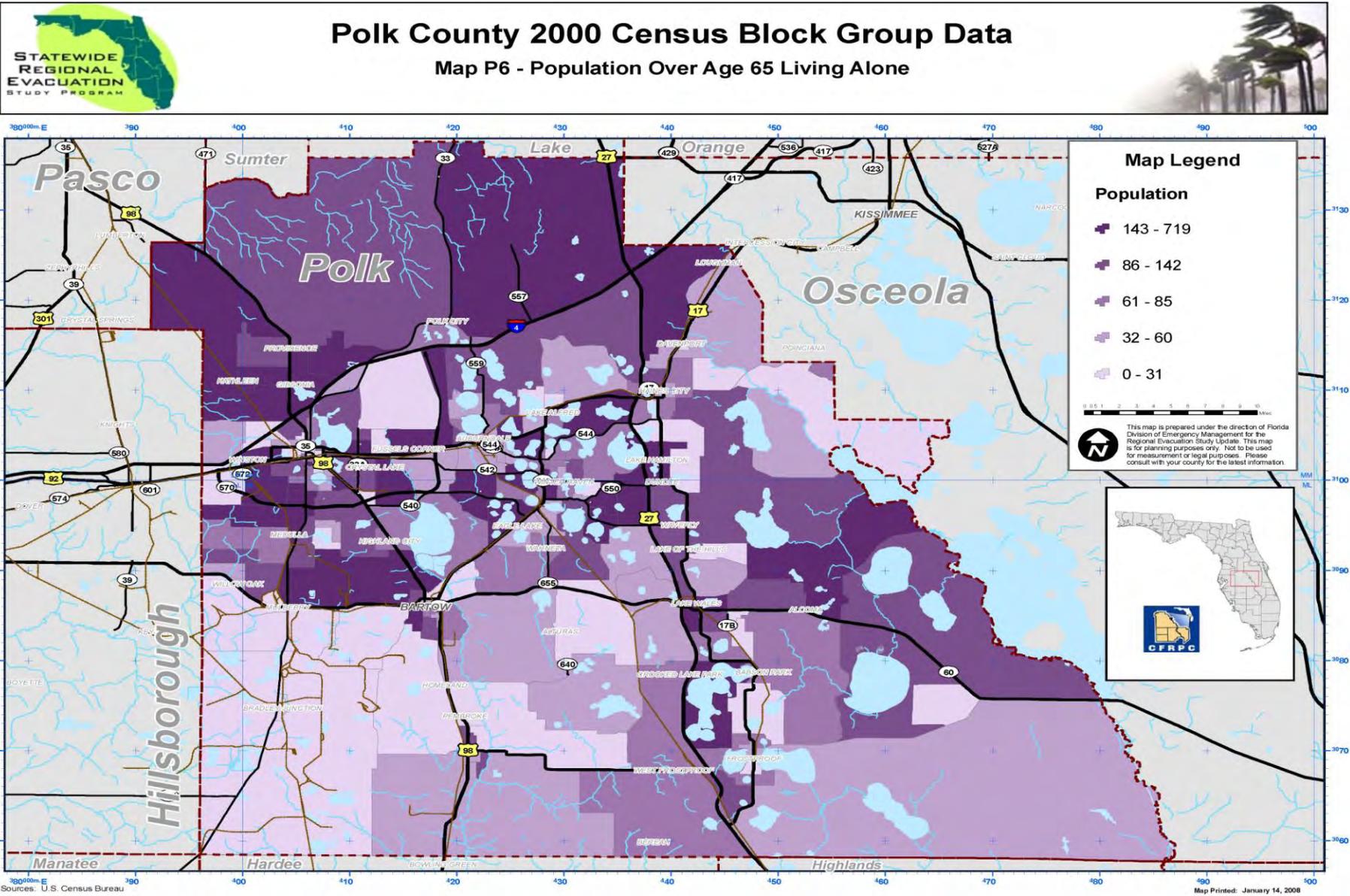


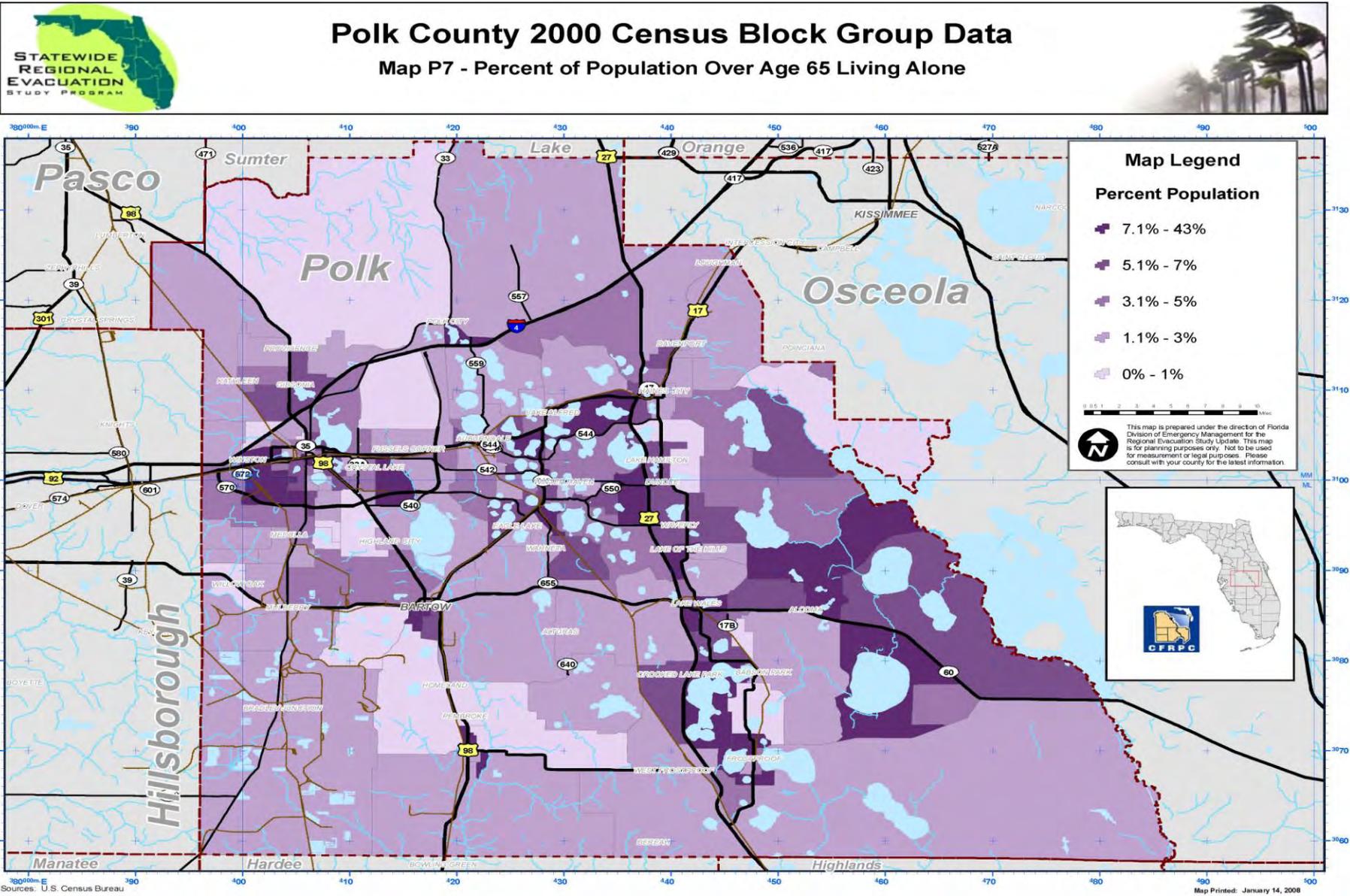


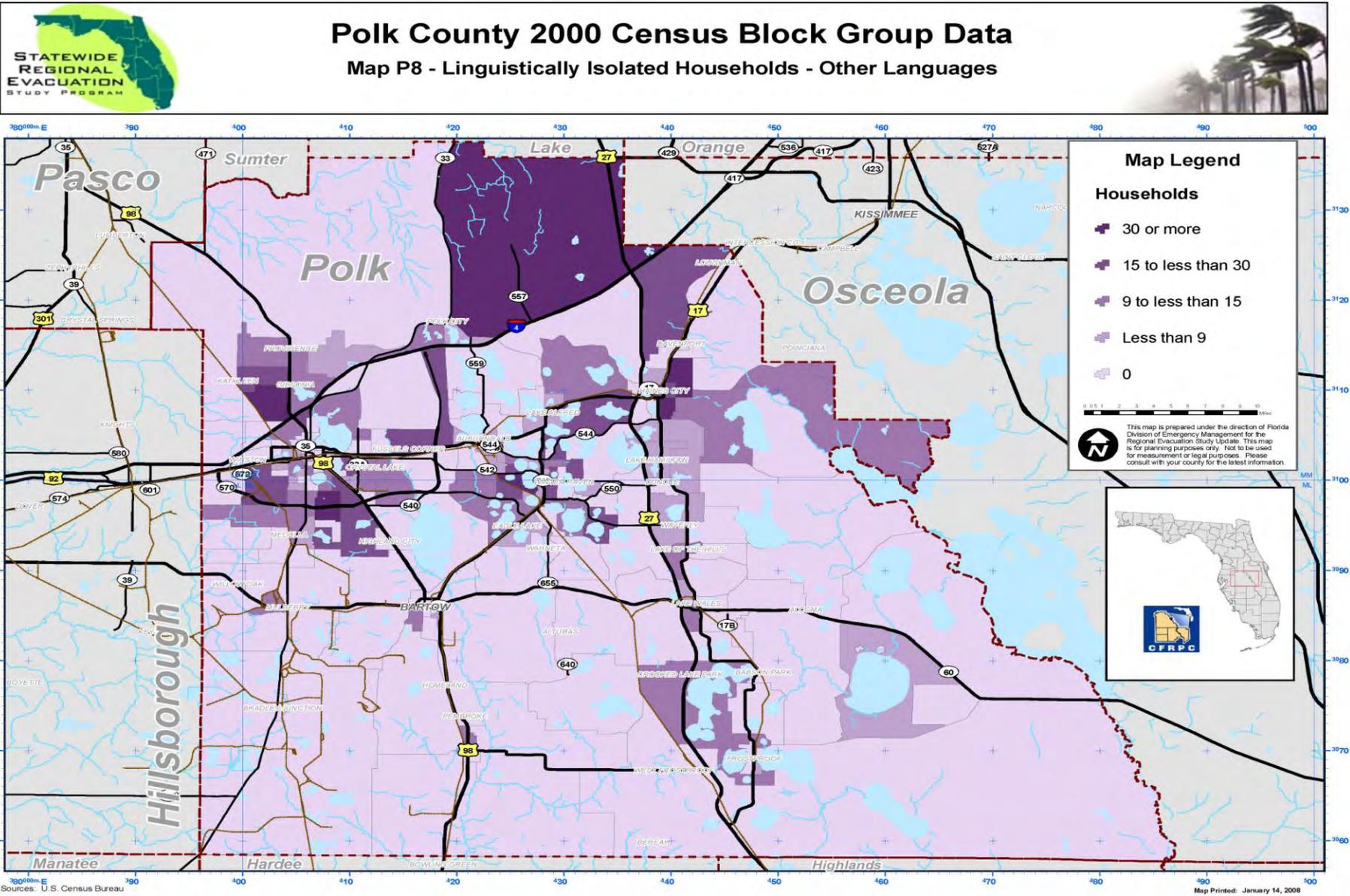
Polk County 2000 Census Block Group Data

Map P5 - Percent of Population Living in Group Quarters



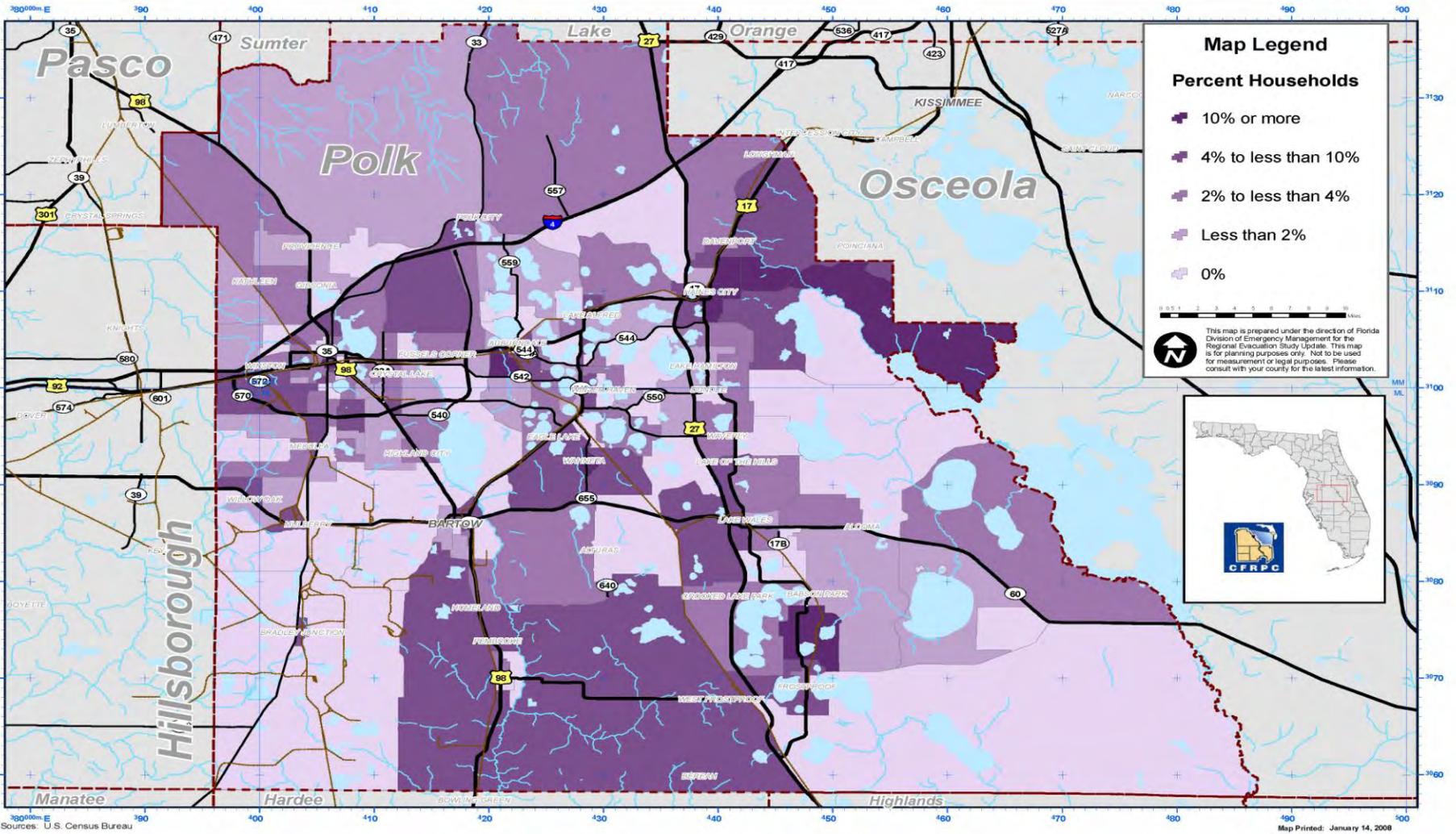


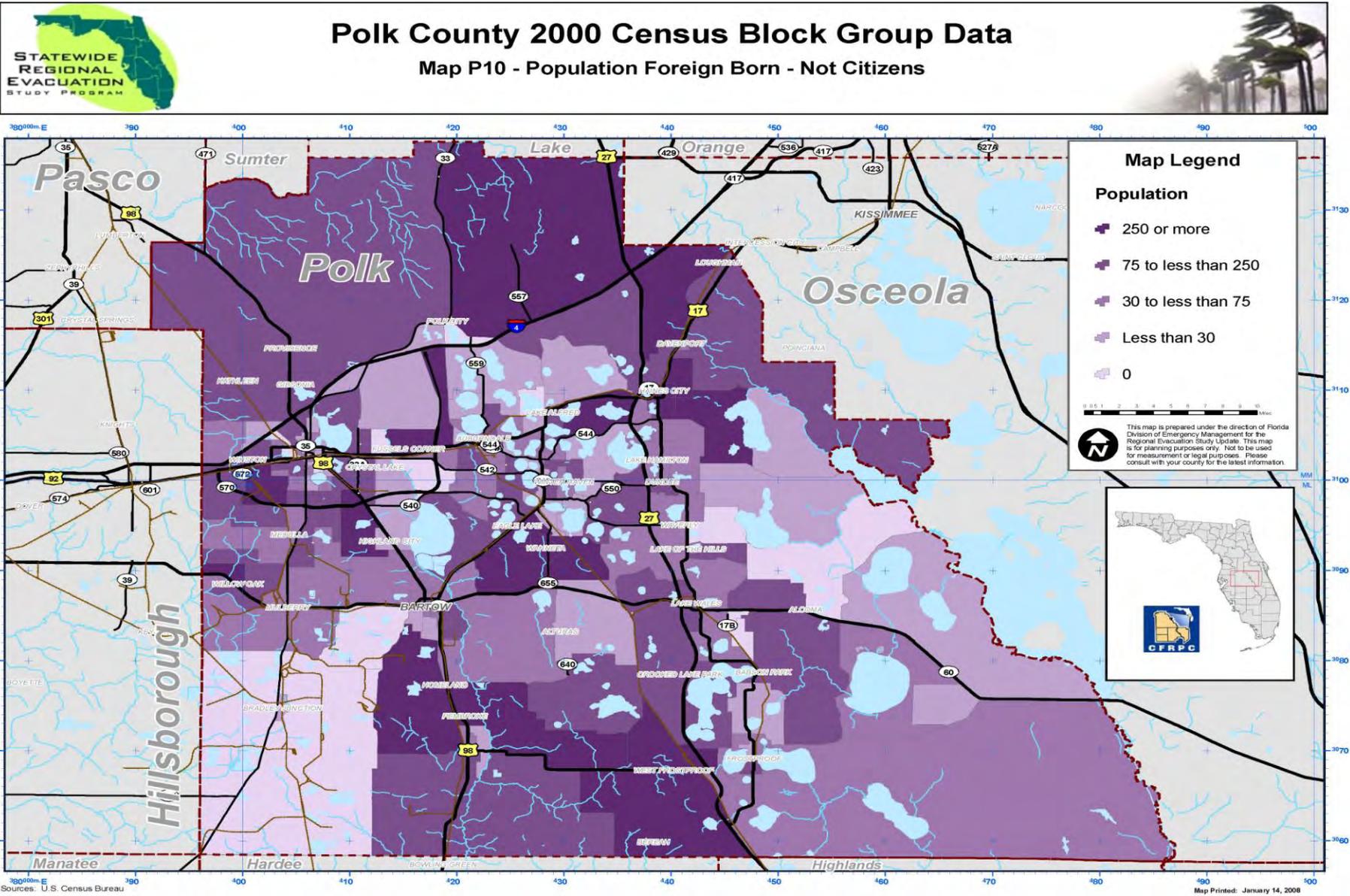




Polk County 2000 Census Block Group Data

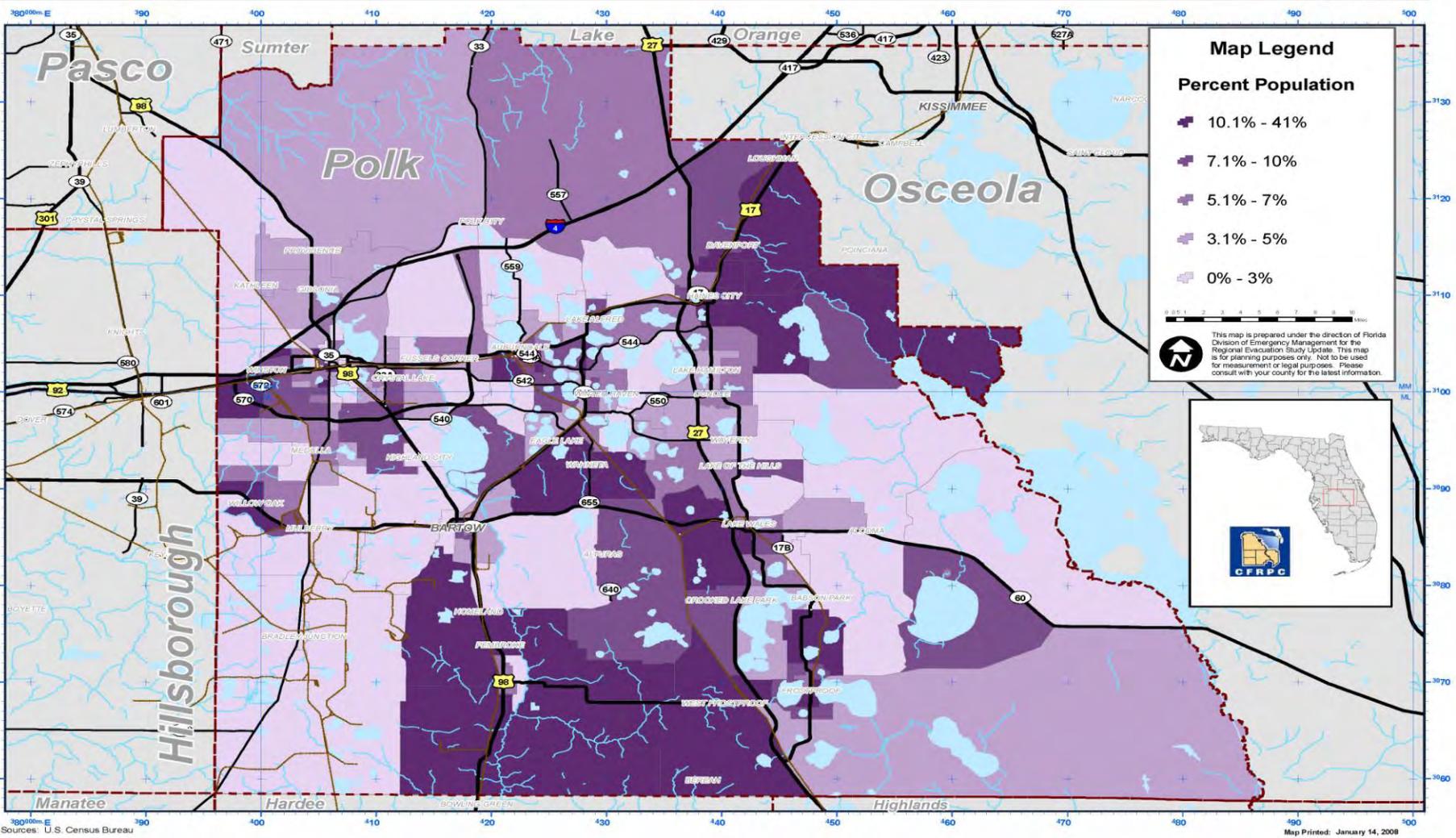
Map P9 - Percent of Households that are Linguistically Isolated

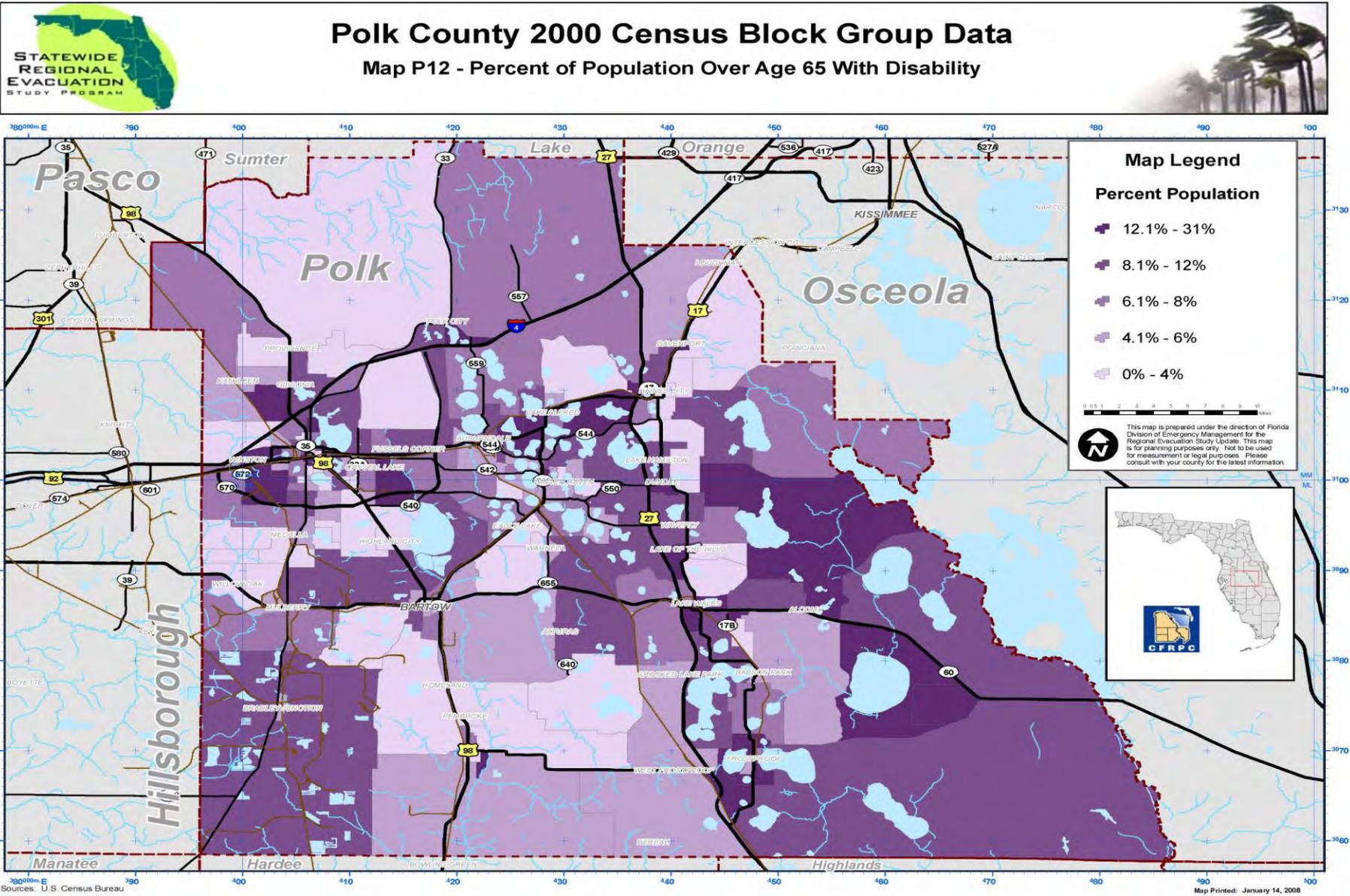


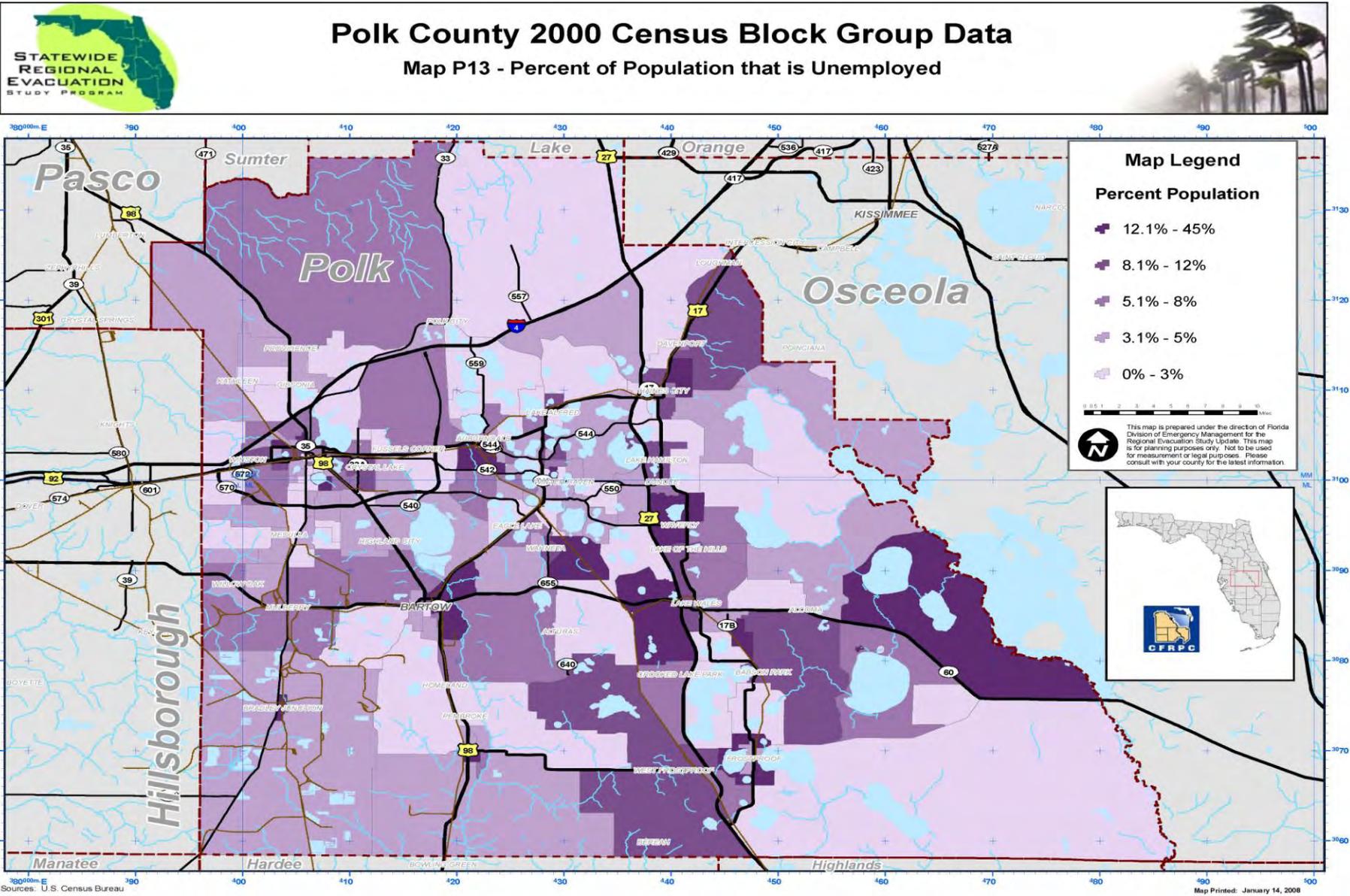


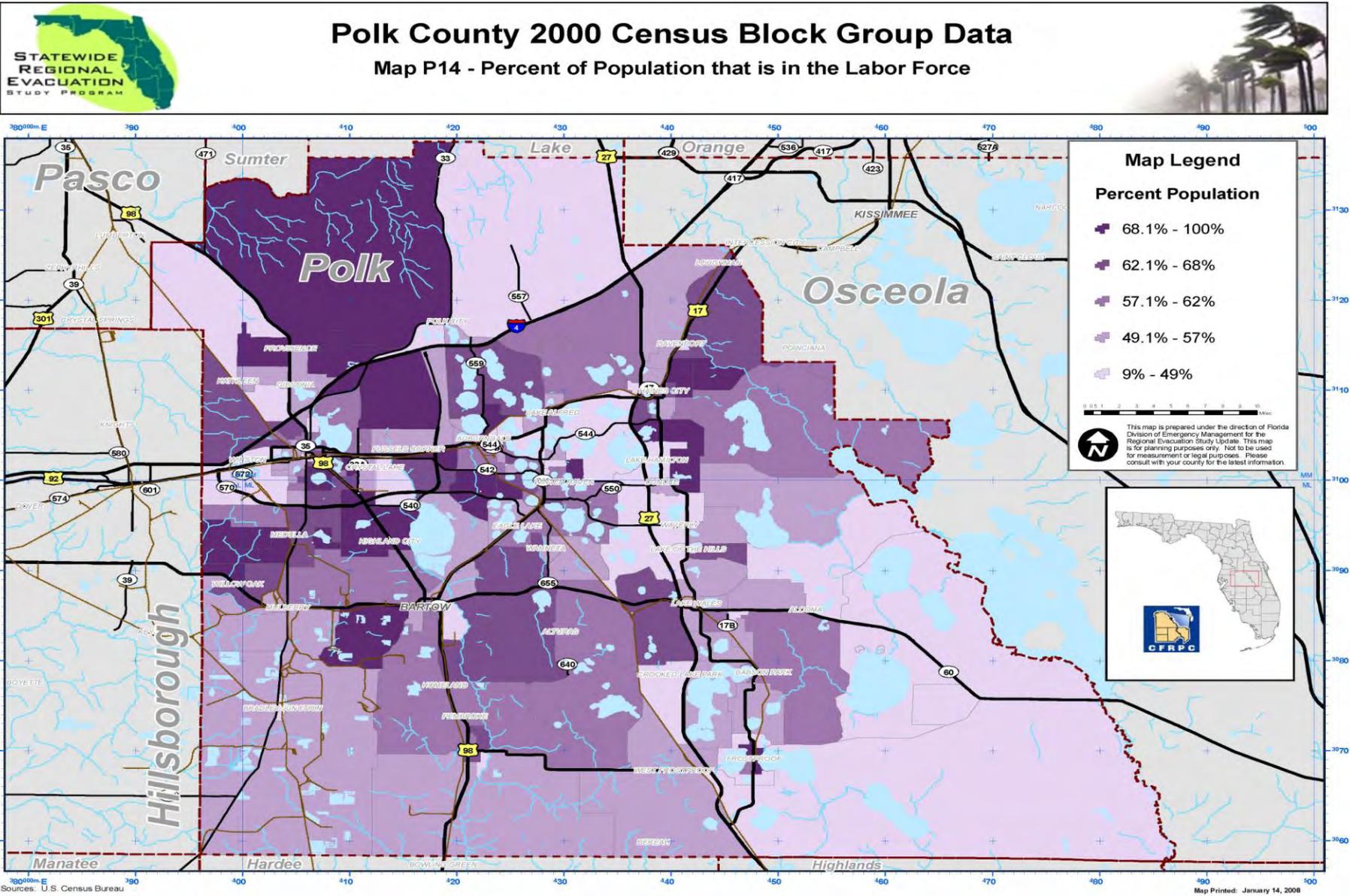
Polk County 2000 Census Block Group Data

Map P11 - Percent of Population that is Foreign Born









Polk County 2000 Census Block Group Data
Map P16 - Percent of Population 65 Years or Over Below Poverty

