

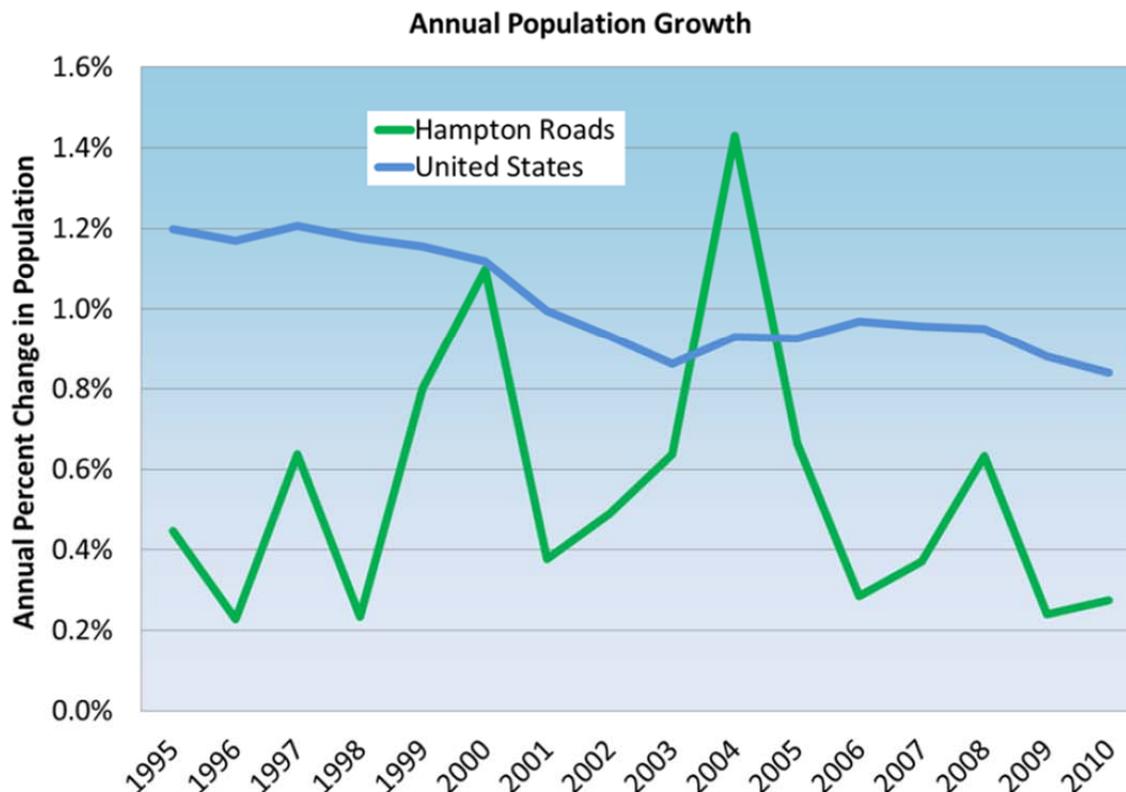
Figure 3.2 Population Growth Rates in Hampton Roads and the United States

Why is it important?

Population growth tracks closely with other expressions of economic growth. Changes in population can have very significant impacts on employment and income statistics.

How are we doing?

By its nature, regional population growth has a significantly higher level of volatility than the nation. Hampton Roads' population has grown at a slower rate than the nation for 14 out of the last 15 years.



Source: Weldon Cooper Center, U.S. Census Bureau, HRPDC