

Economic Characteristics

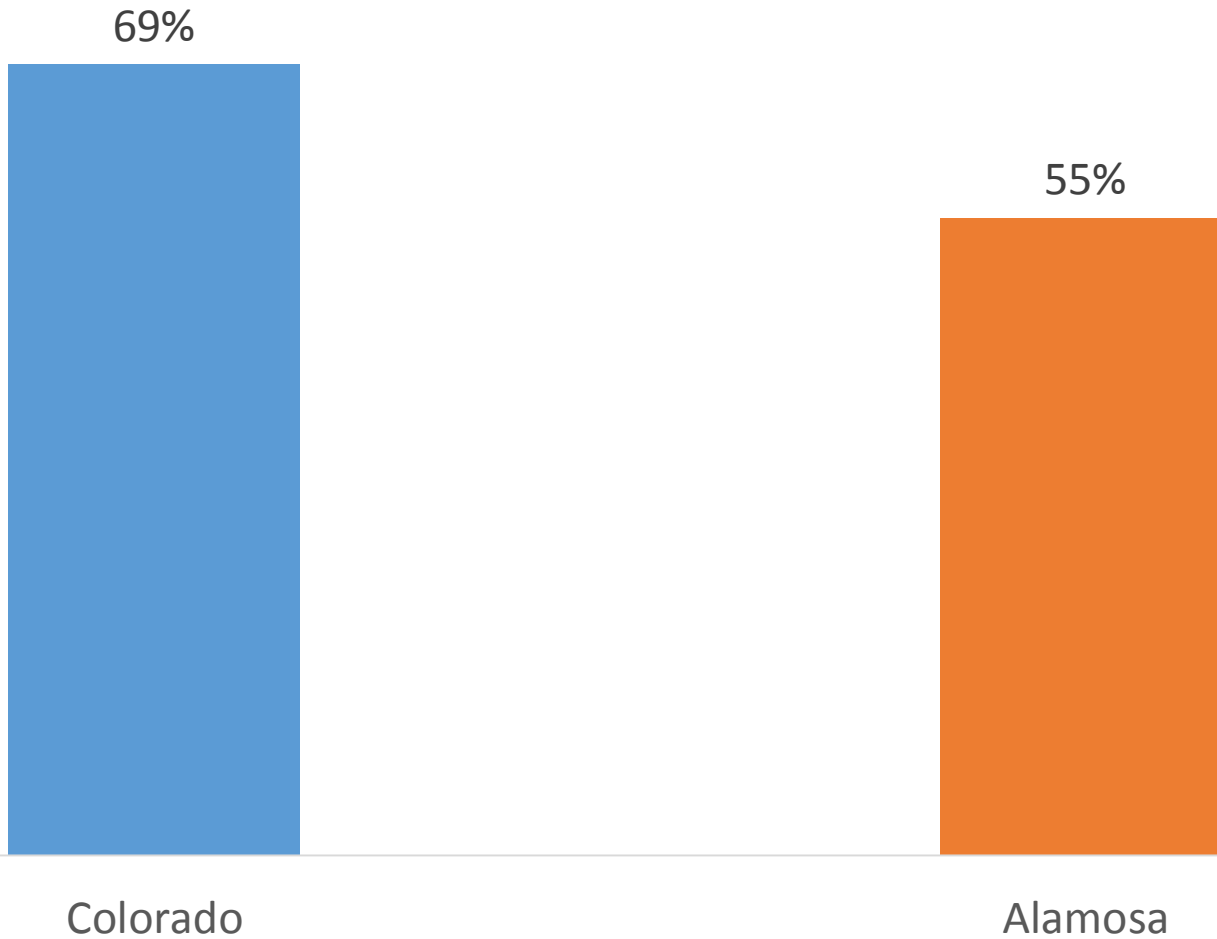
City of Alamosa Comprehensive Plan and Downtown
Needs Assessment, February 2016

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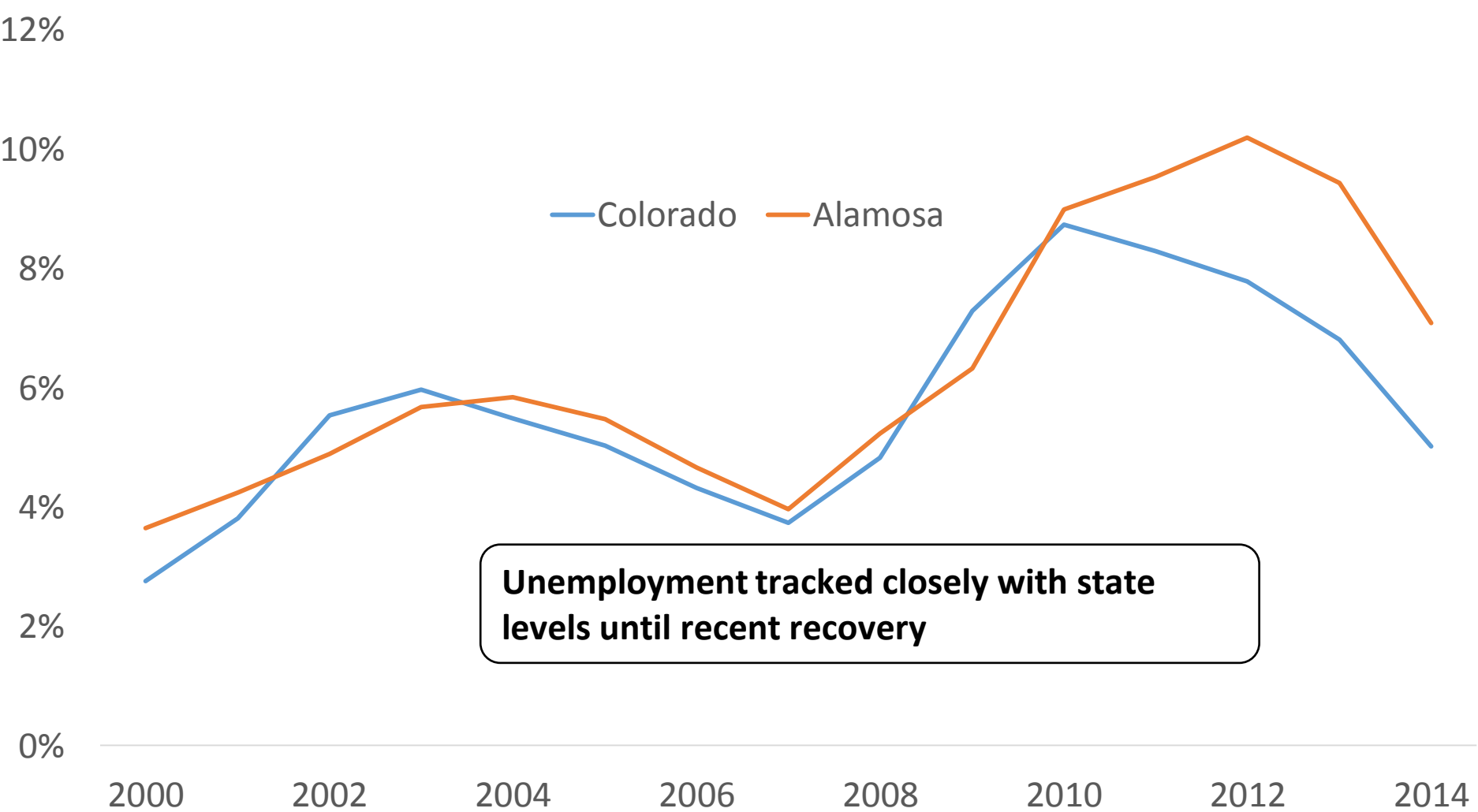
Percent of Population in Labor Force

Source 2014 ACS



Historic Unemployment Rates

Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics

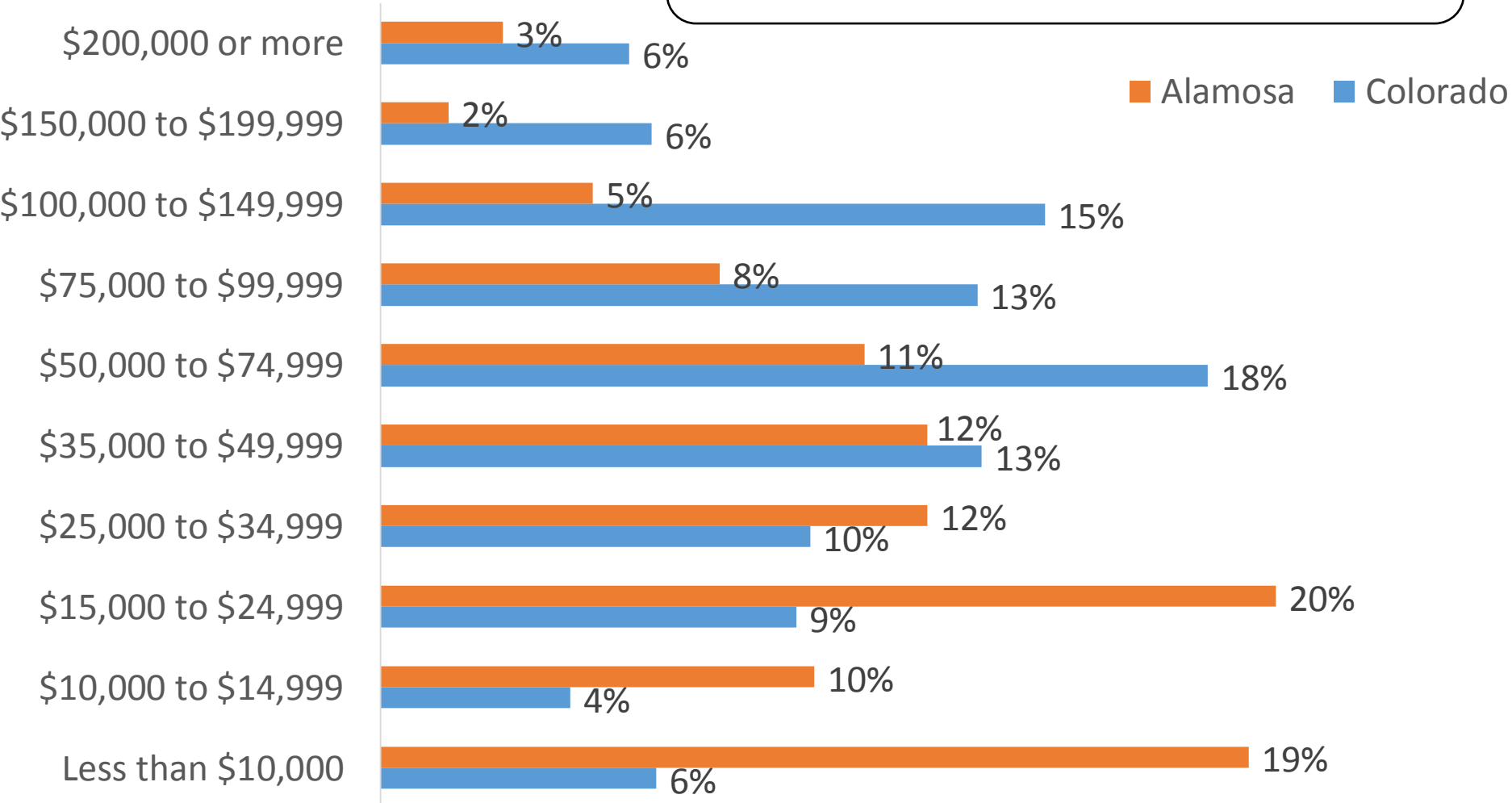


Unemployment tracked closely with state levels until recent recovery

Income

Source: 2014 ACS

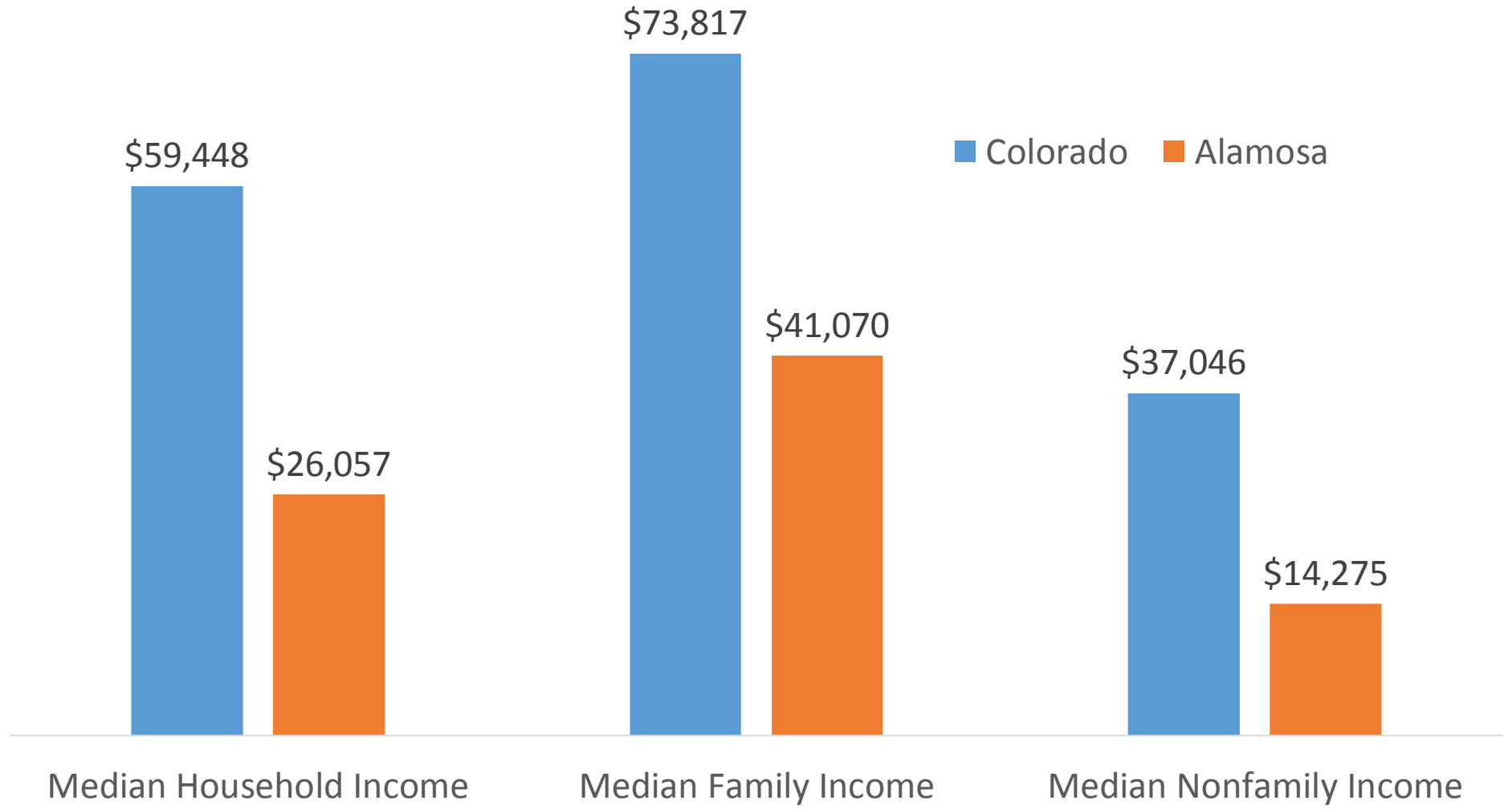
49% of households in Alamosa have income less than \$25,000 compared with 19% statewide.



Median Income

Source 2014 ACS

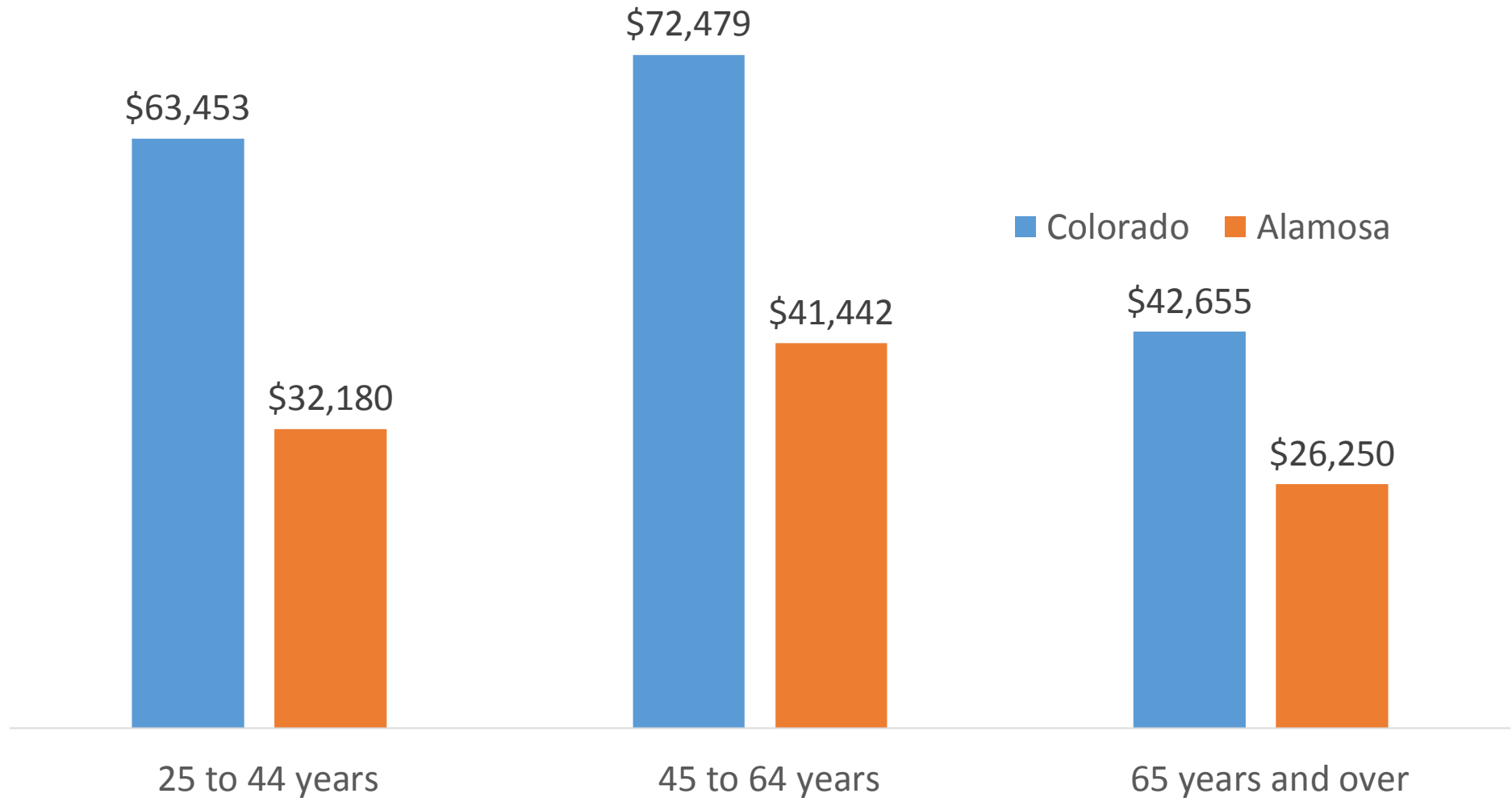
Median family and household income in Alamosa is approx. half of statewide figures



Median Income By Age of Householder

Source 2014 ACS

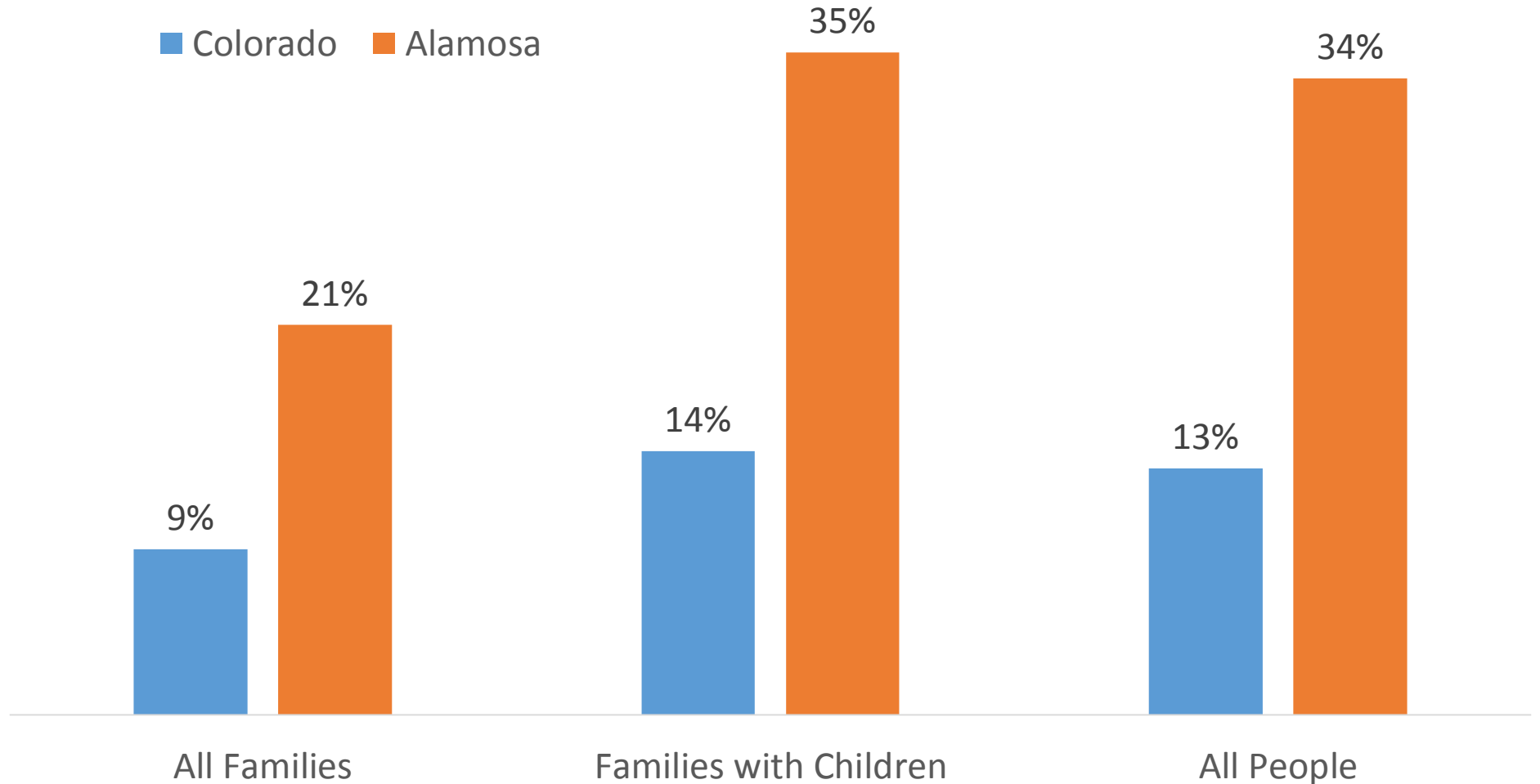
Correcting for large college population still shows relatively low household incomes



Poverty Rates

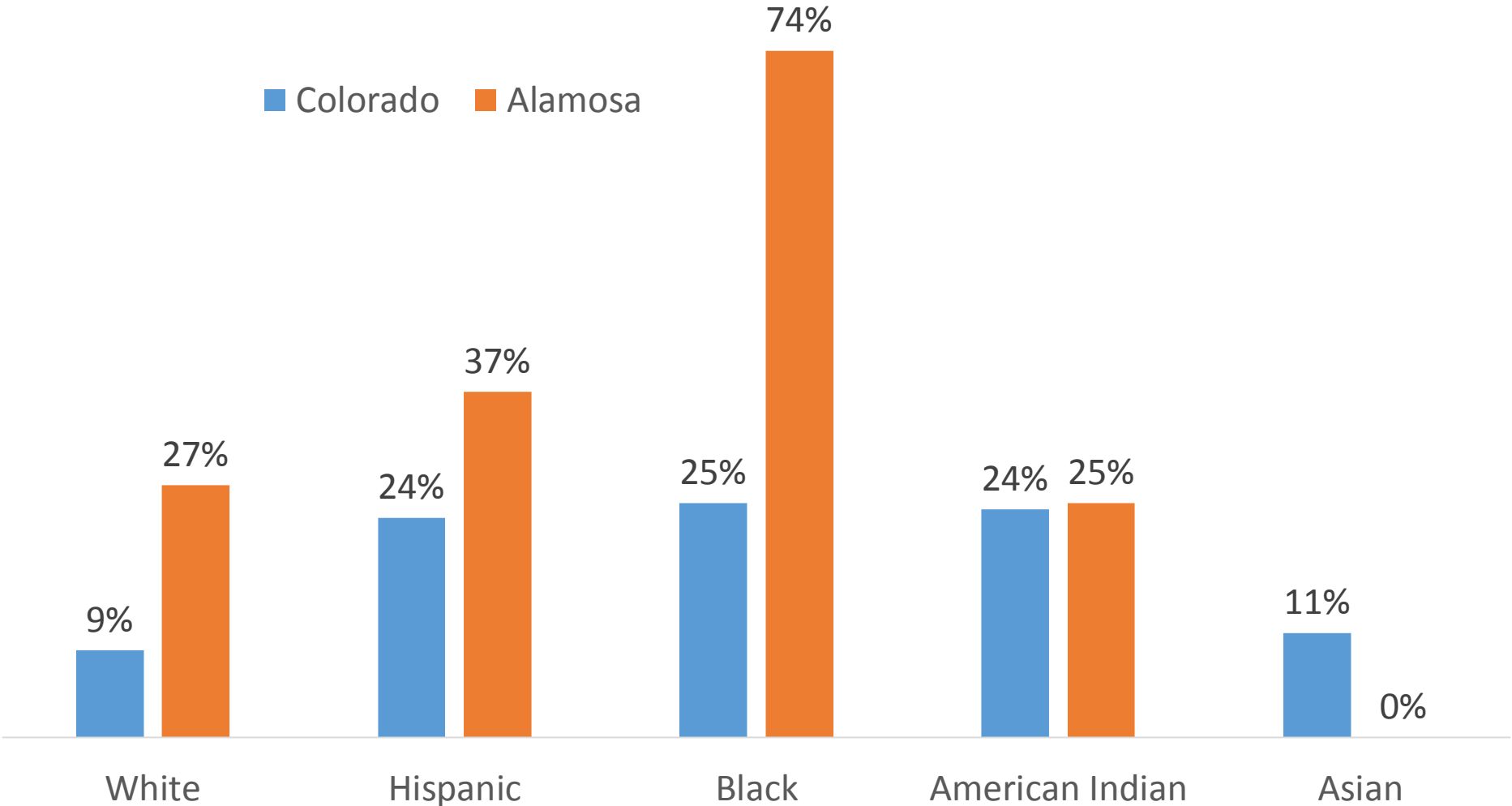
Source: 2014 ACS

Poverty rates in Alamosa are more than twice the statewide rate



Poverty Rates by Race

Source: 2014 ACS



Commuting to Work

Source: 2014 ACS

Commuting times in Alamosa are half the state wide average

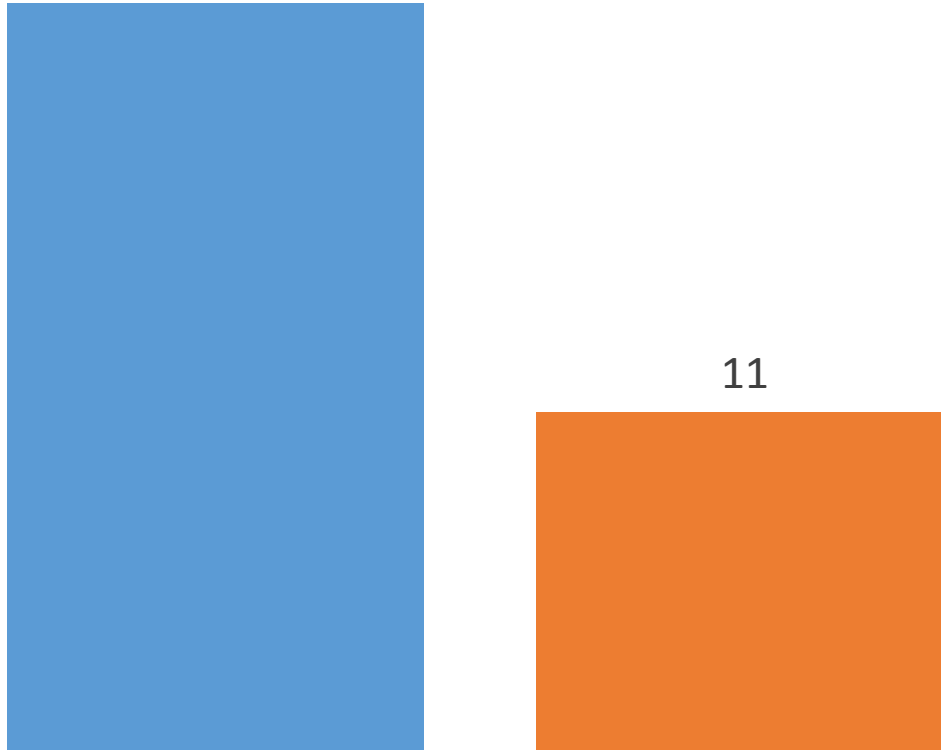
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Mean Travel Time to Work (Minutes)



Base Analysis Explained

Source: DOLA Demography Office

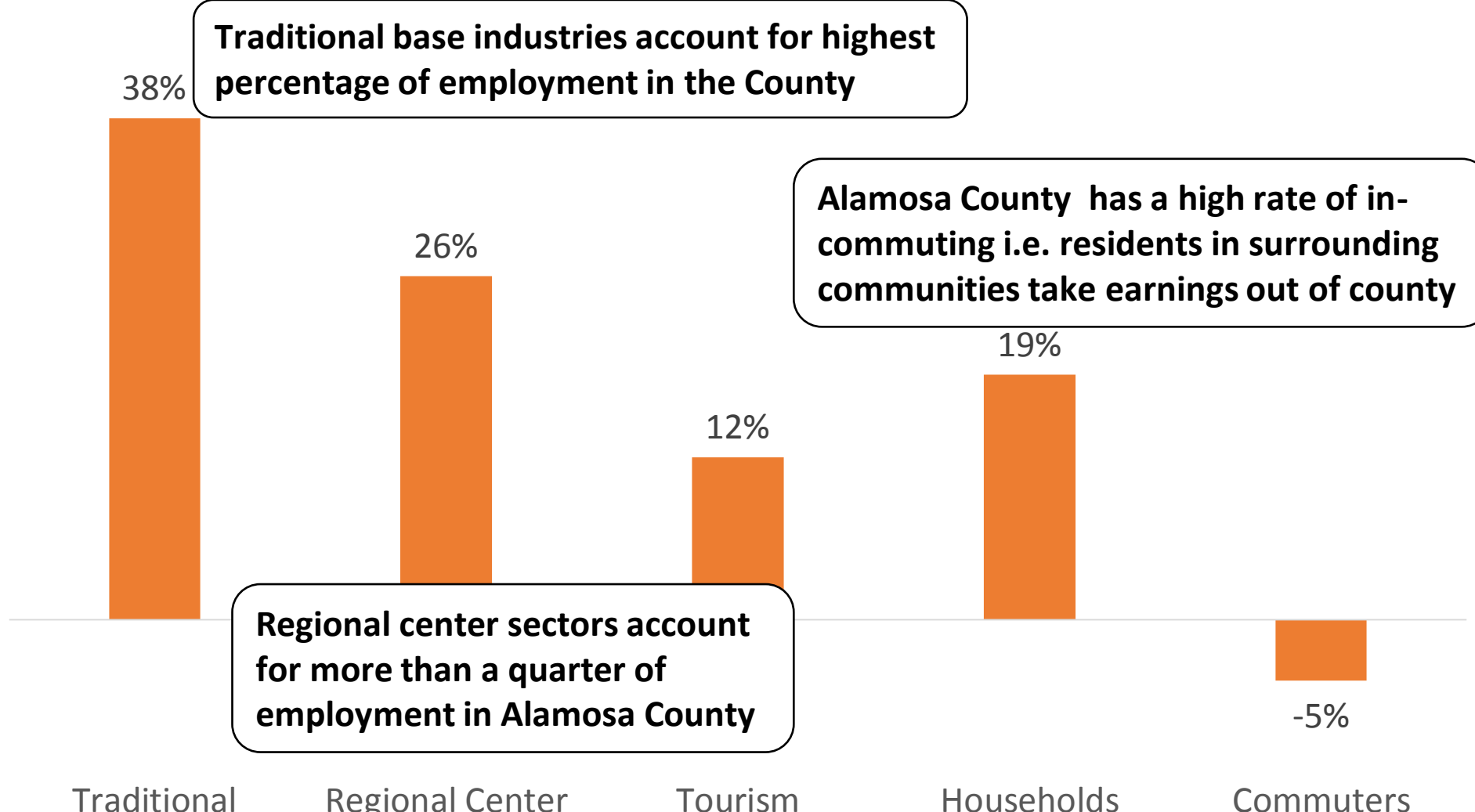
Base industries bring outside dollars into a community

County - not city geography

Category	Industries
Traditional	Agriculture, Mining, Manufacturing, Government
Regional Center	Construction, Communications, Trade and Transportation, Professional and Business, Finance and Insurance, Education and Health
Tourism	Resorts, Second Homes, Tourist Services and Transportation
Households	Retirees, Transfer Payments, Commuters, Other Household Income
Commuters (Households)	Negative if large amount of in-commuters

Base Analysis

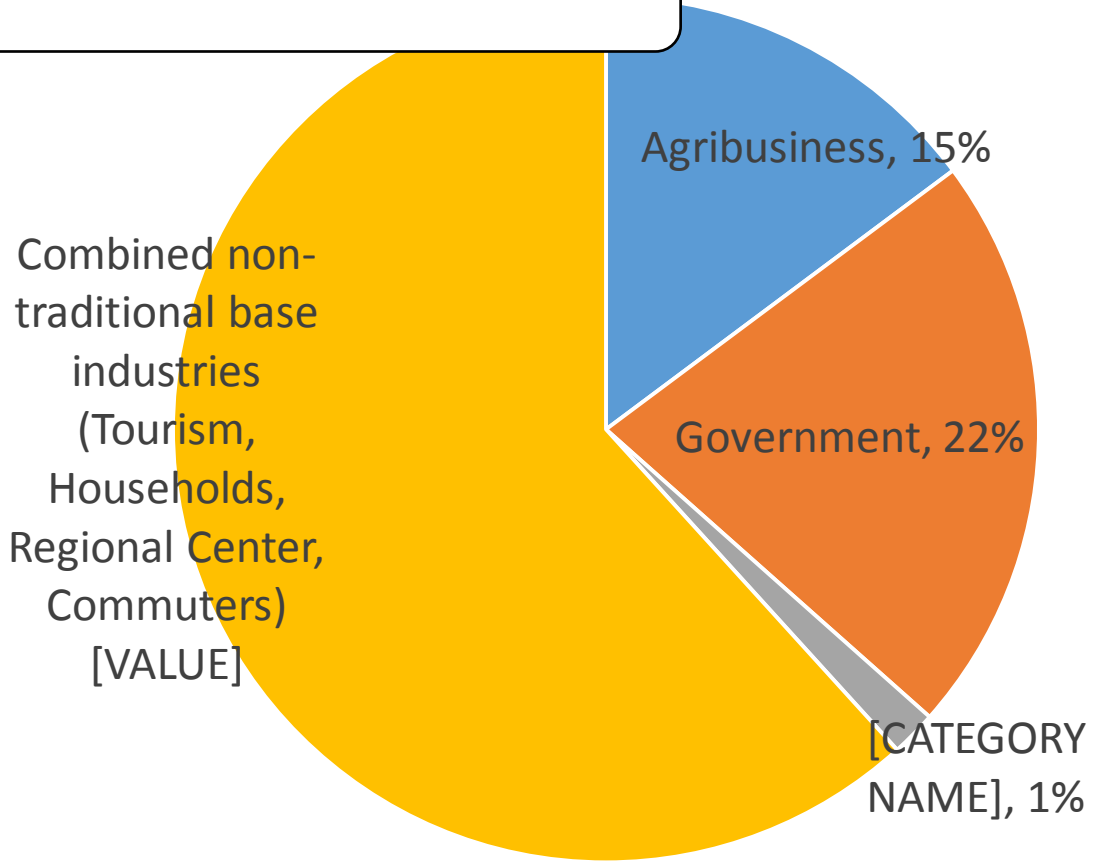
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Base Analysis – Traditional Sector

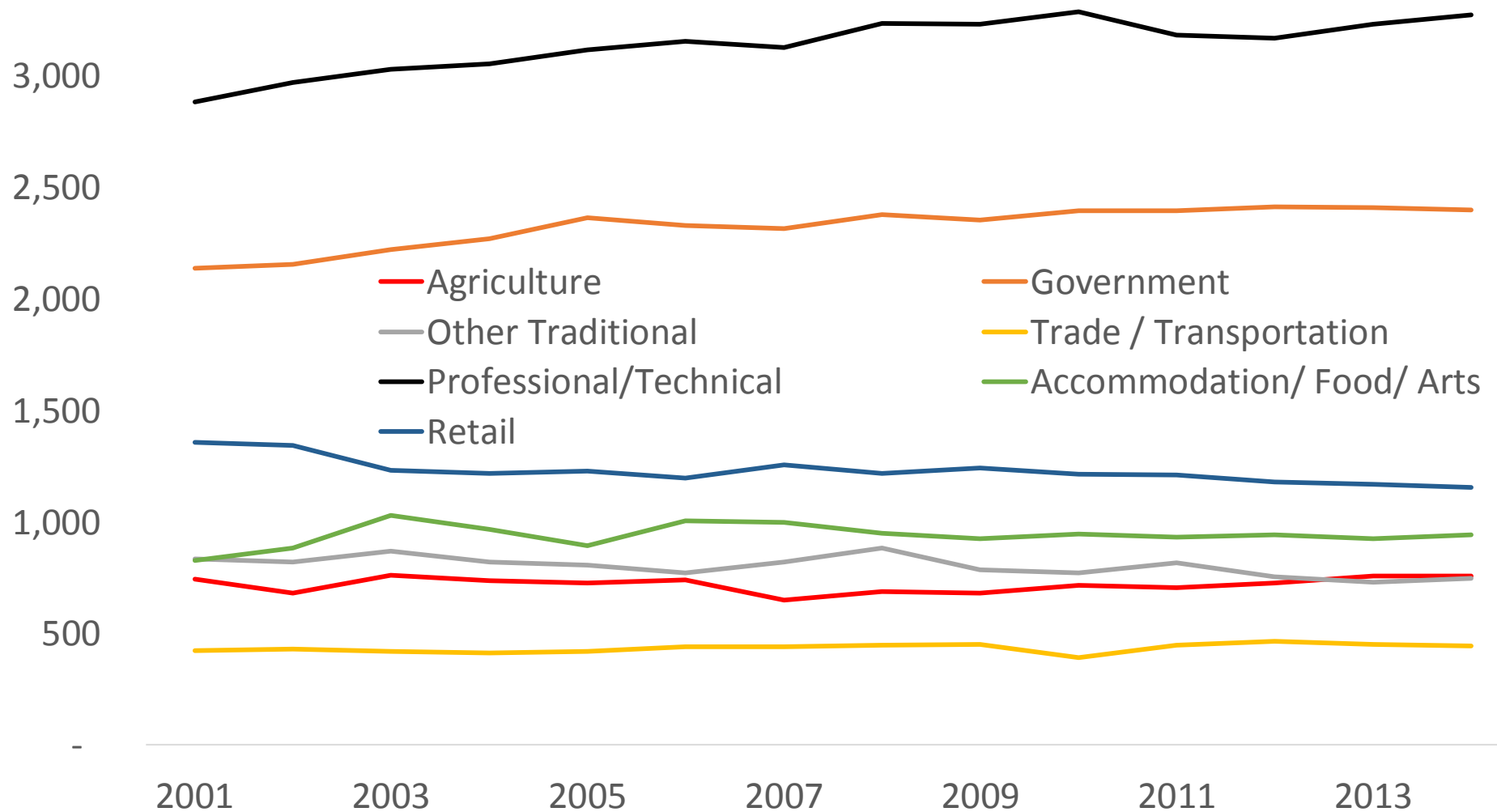
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Traditional sector is driven by agribusiness and government



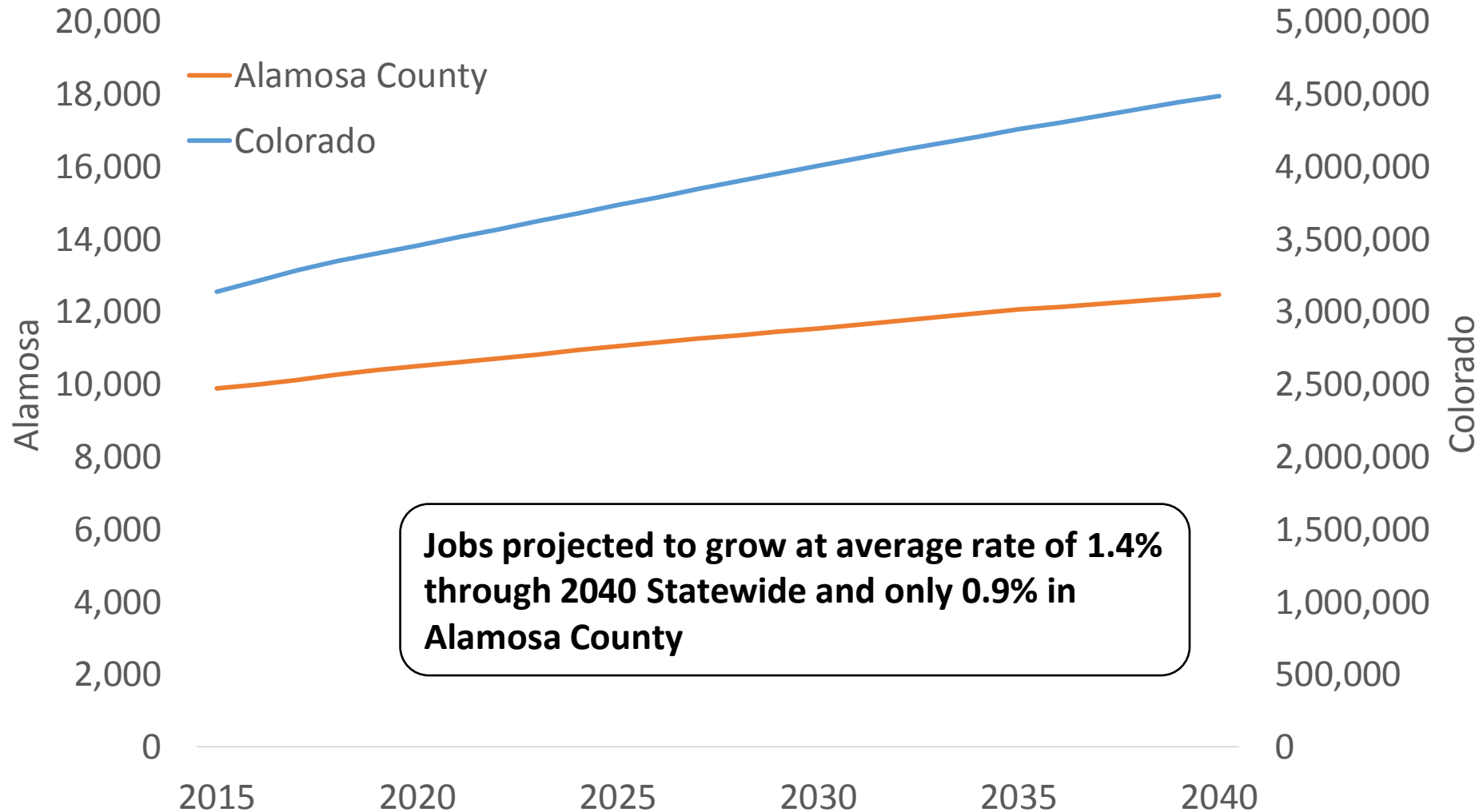
Jobs 2001-2014

Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis – (RPI estimates for suppressed data)



Projected Jobs Through 2040

Source: DOLA Demography Office

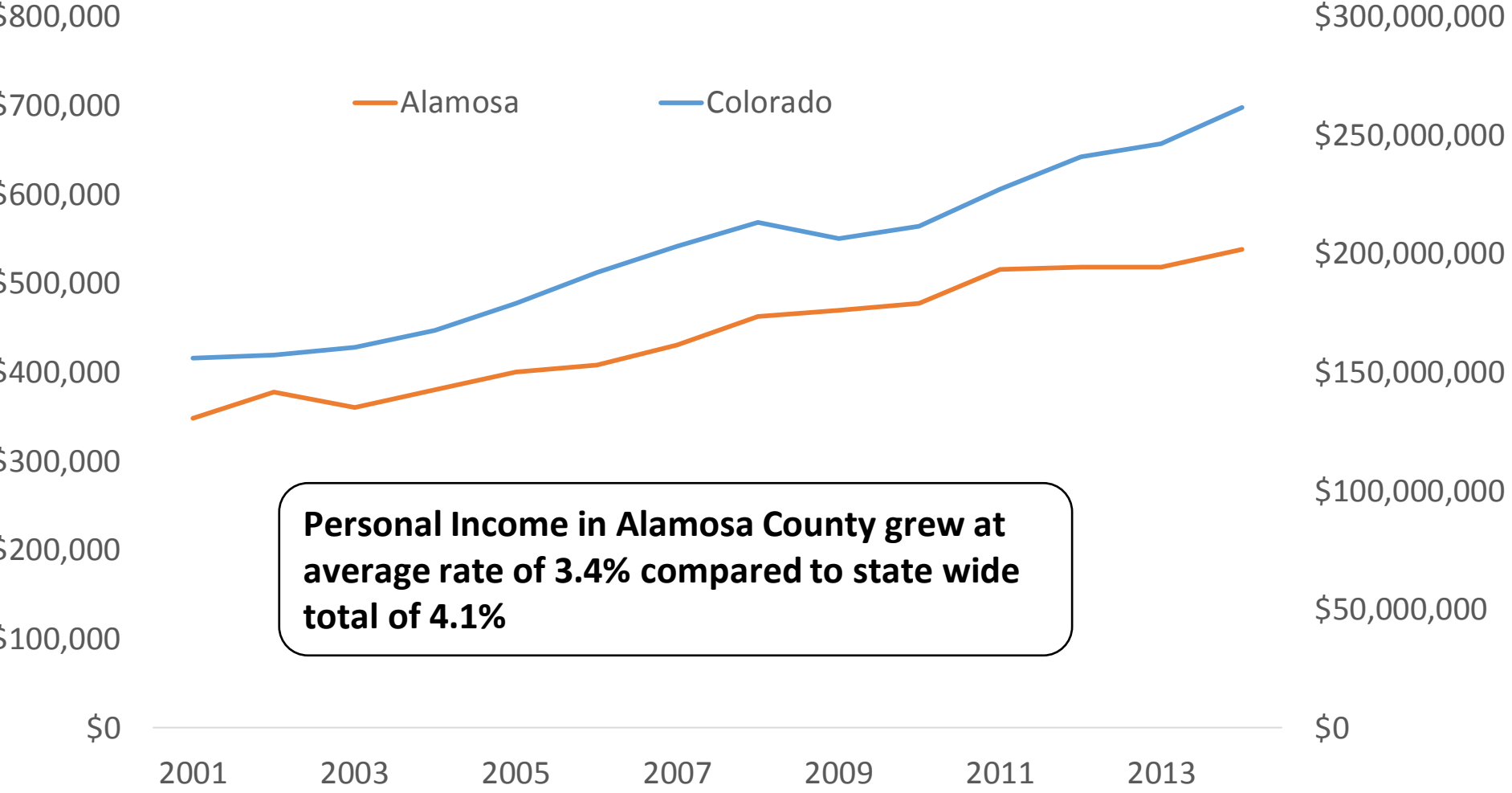


Personal Income 2001-2014

Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis

Alamosa (Thousands)

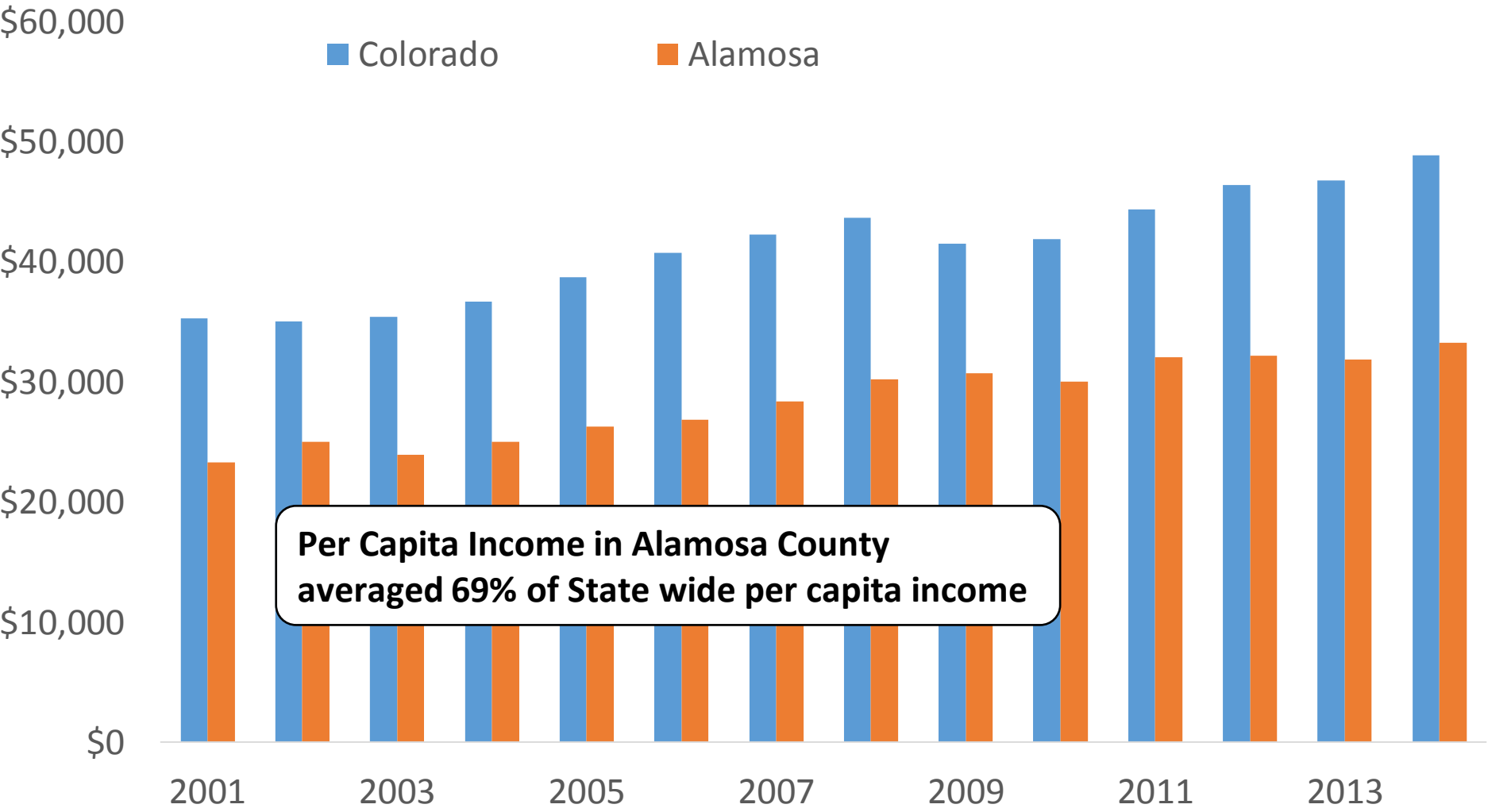
Colorado (Thousands)



Personal Income in Alamosa County grew at average rate of 3.4% compared to state wide total of 4.1%

Per Capita Income 2001-2014

Source: Bureau of Economic Analysis



Median Industry Earnings per Job

Source: 2014 ACS

On average industry earnings in Alamosa are 75% of state rates

