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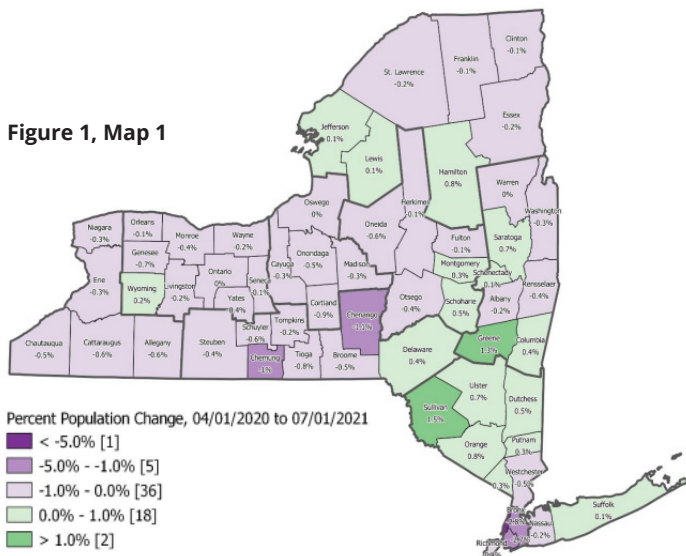
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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Greene County Sees Large Gain in Population Due to Migration

Figure 1, Map 1



According to the U.S. Census Bureau's Vintage 2021 estimates of population and components of change released in late March, 2022, there are 48,499 people residing in Greene County, an increase of 568 residents or about 1.19 % increase from April 2020 to July 2021. Greene County's increase in population from April 2020 to July 2021 was second in the state only to Sullivan County's population increase of 1.5%. (See Figure 1/ Map 1). Out of the 62 counties in New York, 46 lost population since the last Census.

The county's population increase is based on domestic migration; **more people moving in than moving out**. The largest relative increases in population due to net migration in the State were found in Greene County (1.84%). (See Figure 2/Map 4). Of the 30 counties that gained population due to domestic migration, Greene (1.84%) and Hamilton (1.70%) Counties experienced the

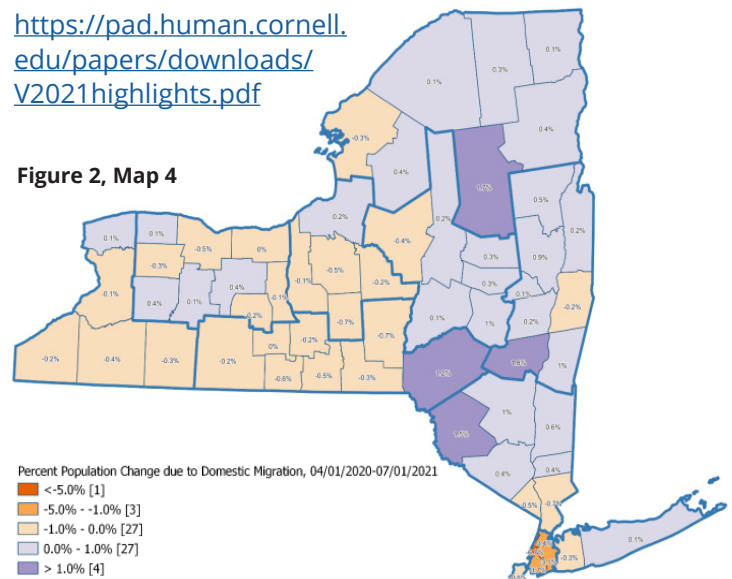
largest relative gains while the biggest increases in count were found in Suffolk (2,138) and Saratoga (2,101). **Over half (36) of the counties in New York lost population due to net migration during this period.**

Greene County experienced a natural decrease of 272 residents; that is there were 637 deaths and 365 births estimated during this same time period. Natural decrease occurs when there are more deaths than births in a population over a given time period. Greene County's natural decrease is consistent with counties across the country and the state. Only ten of New York's 62 counties recorded more births than deaths between 2020 and 2021, since April 1, 2020.

Sources of maps and data: *2021 County and Economic Development Regions Population Estimates*, Cornell Program for Applied Demographics (PAD)

<https://pad.human.cornell.edu/papers/downloads/V2021highlights.pdf>

Figure 2, Map 4



TOURISM



Welcome Hugo Li to Greene County!

Greene County Tourism met with Hugo Li, one of the new owners of Rainbow Golf. They are currently renovating the bar and clubhouse.

The lodging facility has already been updated and taking reservations. They will also build a day use mediation space on site, add a second floor to the club house, and tiny homes to the property for additional lodging options. It will remain a golf course with membership options and tournaments. It will be renamed New York Island Green Golf & Stay that includes a building named after the original owners, Birman Lodge. The property will include a gym, Wi-Fi, breakfast service, on-site restaurant, and much more! Keep an eye out for their new site updates: <https://www.rainbowgolfclub.com/>

Piaule Catskill Featured in Canadian Magazine



SHARP, a Canadian publication, featured a story on Piaule Catskill in December 2021. The publication is full of the latest in fashion, luxury travel, technology, automobiles, food, entertainment and celebrities, as well as feature-length investigative journalism on topics of international importance. SHARP's consistently premium environment speaks directly to the discerning tastes of Canada's largest audience of affluent, intelligent and influential men. Read the full article: <https://sharpmagazine.com/2021/12/21/piaule-catskill-new-york-review/>

PLANNING

DEC Funding Available for Tributary Restoration and Resiliency



Funding is available for Hudson River estuary watershed communities for projects that help restore free-flowing waters to benefit water quality, conserve and restore habitat, and

increase flood resiliency. Projects must conserve and restore aquatic habitat connectivity for American eel and/or river herring found in the tributary streams of the Hudson River estuary watershed. Examples of projects which improve aquatic connectivity are:

- Planning and engineering projects for removal of dams;
- Planning and engineering for culvert mitigation/right-sizing; and
- Initial reconnaissance for feasibility of dam removal

The application deadline is May 4, 2022 at 3:00 PM

For more information visit: <https://www.dec.ny.gov/lands/5091.html>

Office of Cannabis Management Updates Opt-out Portal



Now is the appropriate time for towns and villages to consider passage of local laws and regulations governing the time, place and manner of adult-use retail dispensaries and on-site consumption licenses. For example, towns and villages are permitted to pass laws and regulations pertaining to local zoning and the location of licensees, hours of operations and adherence to local building codes.

The New York State Office of Cannabis Management (OCM) announced this week the opening of a web-based portal (<https://cannabis.ny.gov/local-government>) with municipal opt-out and opt-out repeal information as well as a fact sheet.

The Office has also releasing an updated list (https://cannabis.ny.gov/system/files/documents/2022/03/local_opt-out_033022.pdf) of local laws seeking to opt-out of one or both types of adult-use cannabis sales, reflecting data received from localities through March 25, with little overall change. Currently, based on the information filed with OCM, about 11% of cities and 37% of all municipalities have opted out of all cannabis sales.

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