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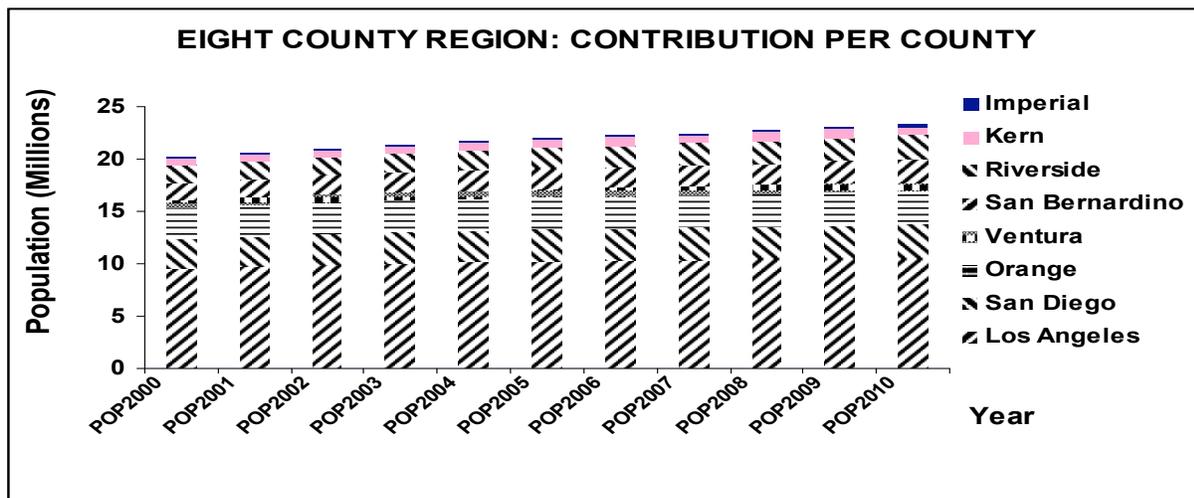
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# ShakeOut Scenario

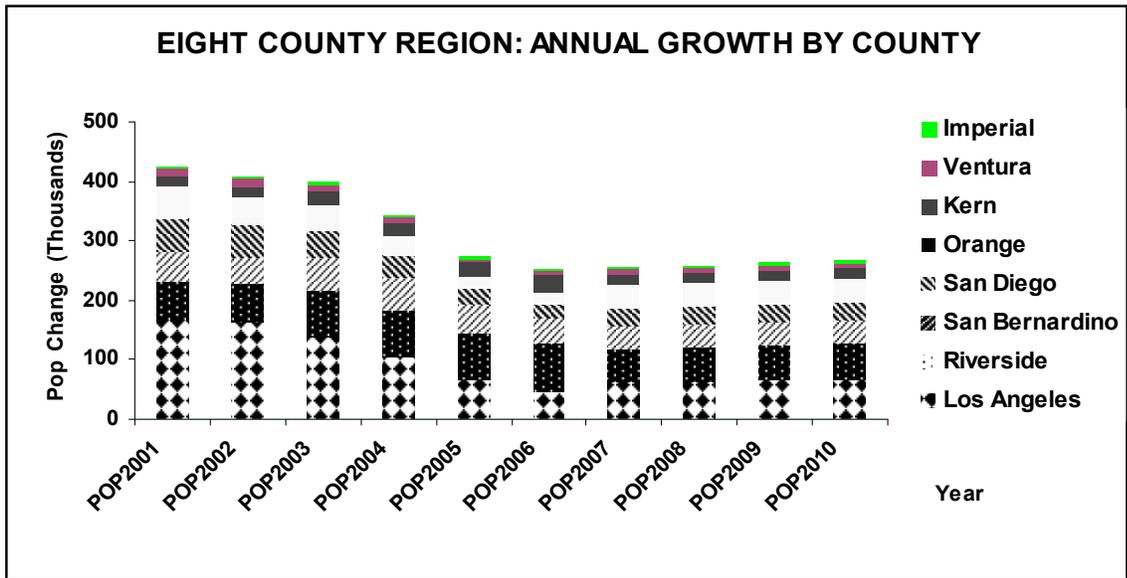
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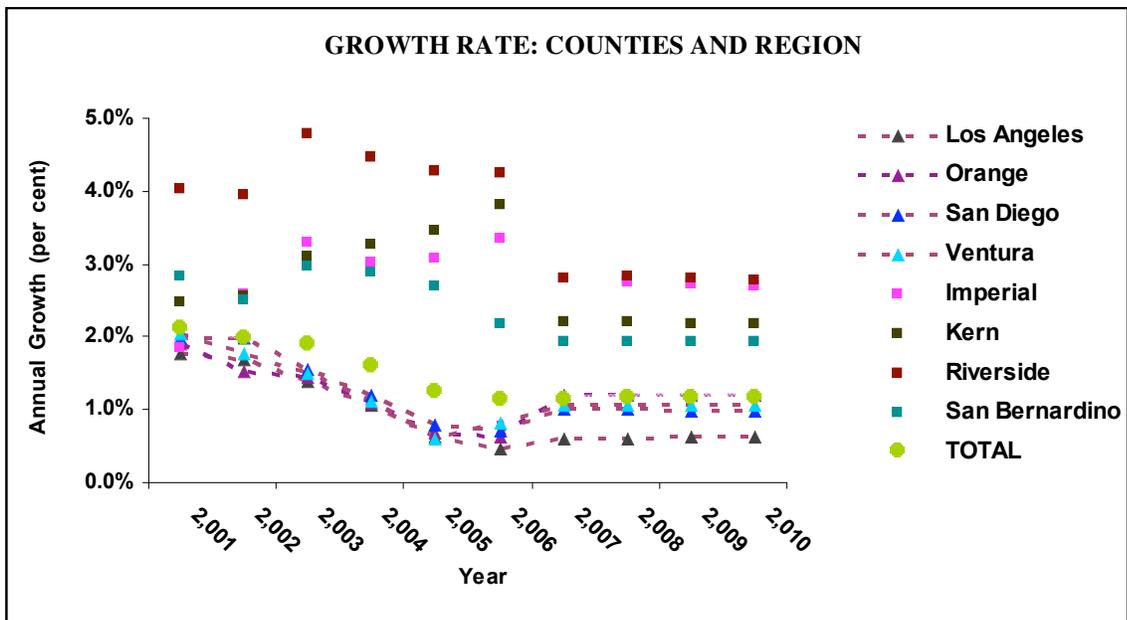
This appendix summarizes the demography of the eight county Southern California region. Data sources for this analysis are the U.S. Census Bureau and the State of California, Department of Finance. Within the eight county region the total population varies from about 20.1 million in the year 2000 to a projected total of about 23.3 million in 2010. The coastal counties (with the exception of Ventura County) contribute the largest proportions of the total population. Two inland counties, Riverside and San Bernardino Counties contribute significant proportions of the total population, with Kern and Imperial Counties making relatively small contributions (Figure J-1). Population growth began a decline in 2004 and is projected to remain flat through 2010 with most new growth occurring in the inland counties (Figure J-2). Growth rates by county show a trend of leveling off from 2003 to 2007 with growth rates becoming flat after that. The inland counties are projected to end the decade with growth rates from two to four per cent, while the coastal counties are projected to end the decade with growth rates from one to less than two per cent (Figure J-3).



**Figure J-1.** Contributions by county to the population total for the study area. The largest proportions of the population are from the coastal counties.



**Figure J-2.** Growth by county in the study area. Growth began to level off in about 2004. Most of the new growth is in the inland counties.



**Figure J-3.** Growth rates by county. By the end of the decade growth rates for all counties are projected to be flat, but the highest growth rates will be in the inland counties.