

## What is Redistricting & Why?

Every 10 years, the U.S. Census Bureau conducts population and demographics survey. After the data is released, local jurisdiction must re-establish and redraw its election district boundaries, also known as "redistricting". In Hinesville, this includes the City Council districts. This process is to ensure:

1. each district has a balanced population mandated by "one man, one vote";
2. the jurisdiction is in compliance with the Voting Rights Act and maintains appropriate majority-minority districts.

## "One man, one vote"

The optimal population (or even split) across districts was determined by dividing the total population of the jurisdiction by the number of districts. Deviation of population in each district is the difference between population in the proposed district and the optimal population count. The goal of redistricting is to get the deviation as close to 0 as possible.

Total Population: 34,891  
 Number of Districts: 5  
 Optimal Population: 6,978

## Voting Rights Act

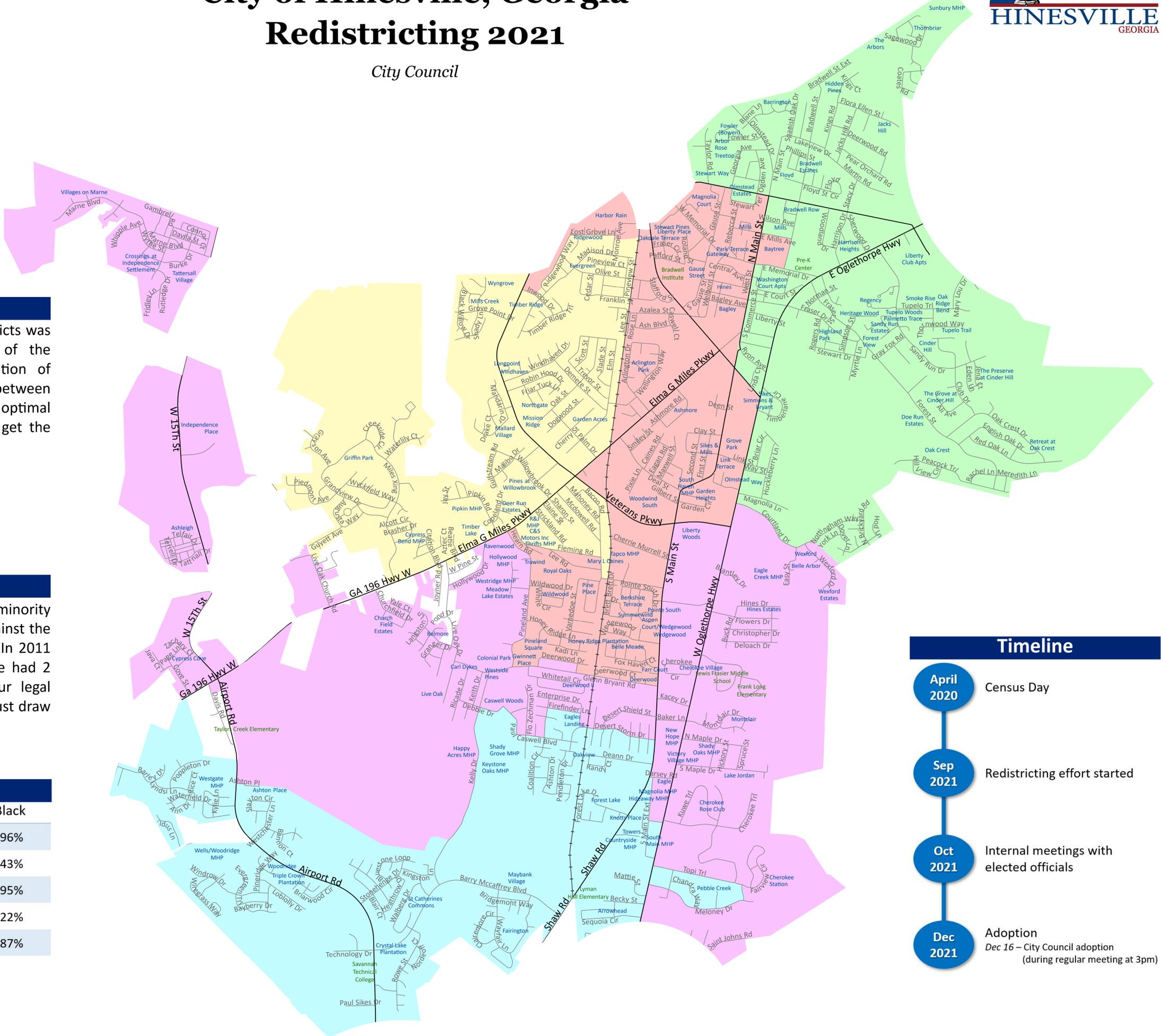
To determine whether a district is a majority-minority district, the percentage of minority population against the population of the specific district was calculated. In 2011 when the current districts were drawn, Hinesville had 2 majority-minority districts. In order to meet our legal obligation under the Voting Rights Act, the City must draw at least 2 majority-minority districts in 2021.

## Redistricting Plan Statistics

District	Population	% Deviation	% Black
1	6,975	-0.04%	57.96%
2	6,995	0.24%	42.43%
3	6,972	-0.09%	47.95%
4	6,953	-0.36%	51.22%
5	6,996	0.26%	49.87%

# City of Hinesville, Georgia Redistricting 2021

City Council



## Timeline

- April 2020** - Census Day
- Sep 2021** - Redistricting effort started
- Oct 2021** - Internal meetings with elected officials
- Dec 2021** - Adoption  
 Dec 16 – City Council adoption (during regular meeting at 3pm)



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- learn more about redistricting
- search for specific addresses & see changes
- look at maps of individual district

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