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Marion	82.7%	85.2%
Pinellas	79.1%	85.7%
Hillsborough	78.6%	87.3%
Orange	81.3%	84.3%
Polk	73.0%	86.4%
Collier	92.0%	91.0%
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Hispanic	80.7%	86.6%
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Other	88.8%	88.7%

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