

Cambridge Demographic Summary

Community Engagement Team

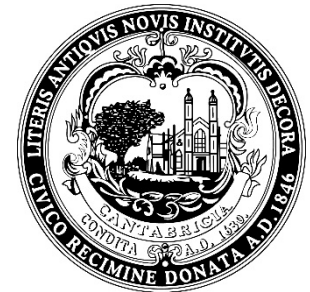
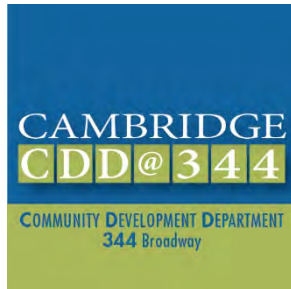
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Cambridge Community Development Department

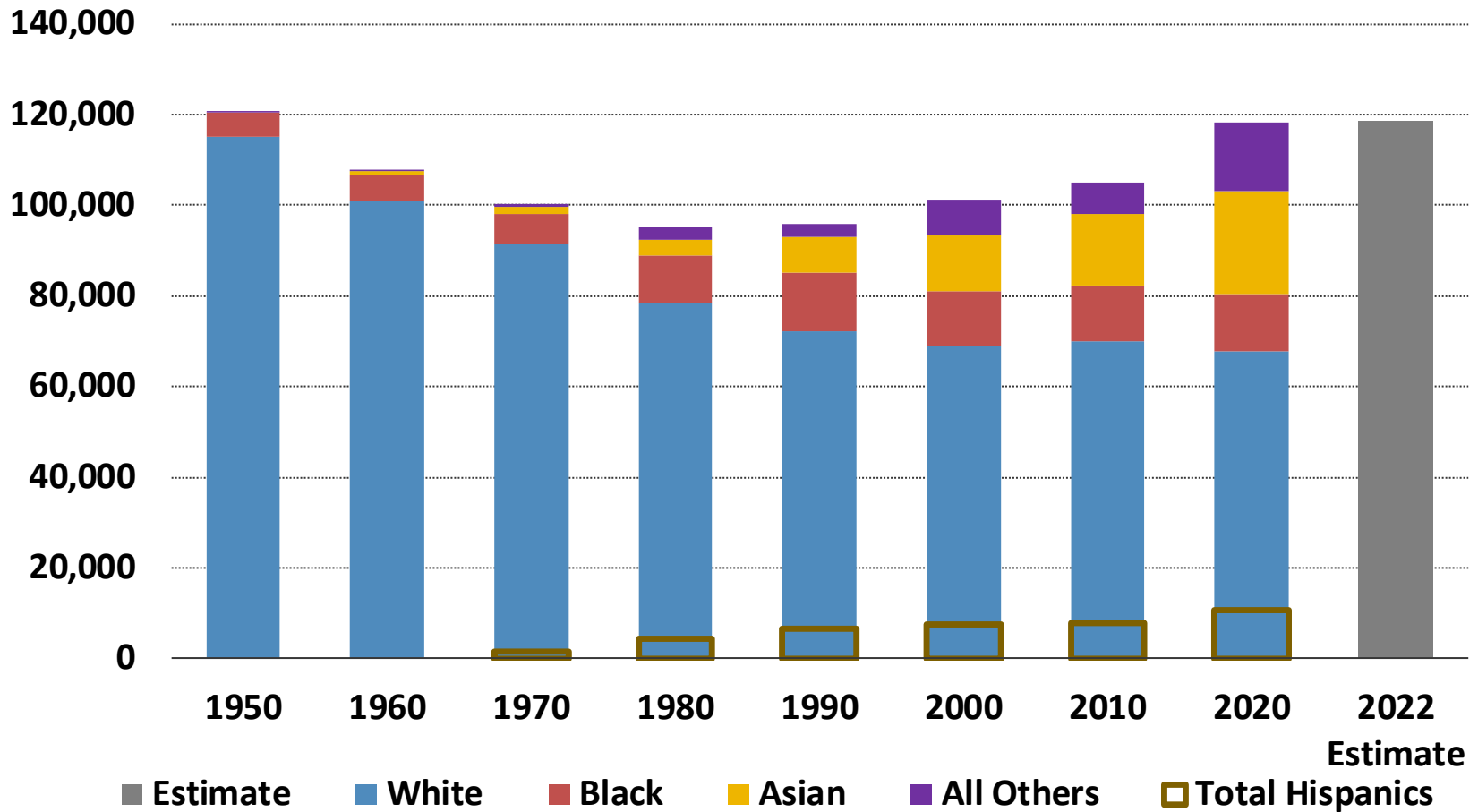
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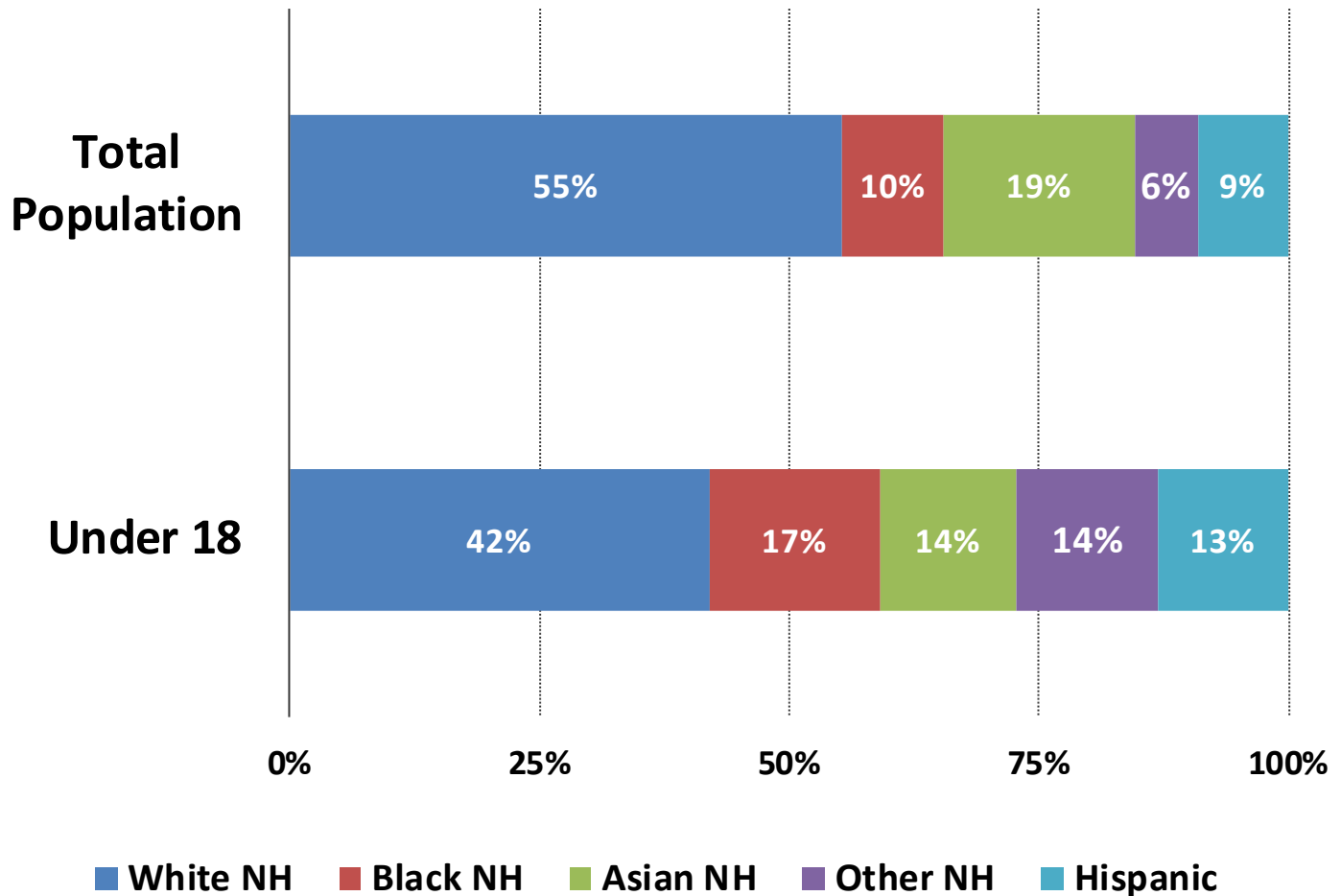


Population Trend



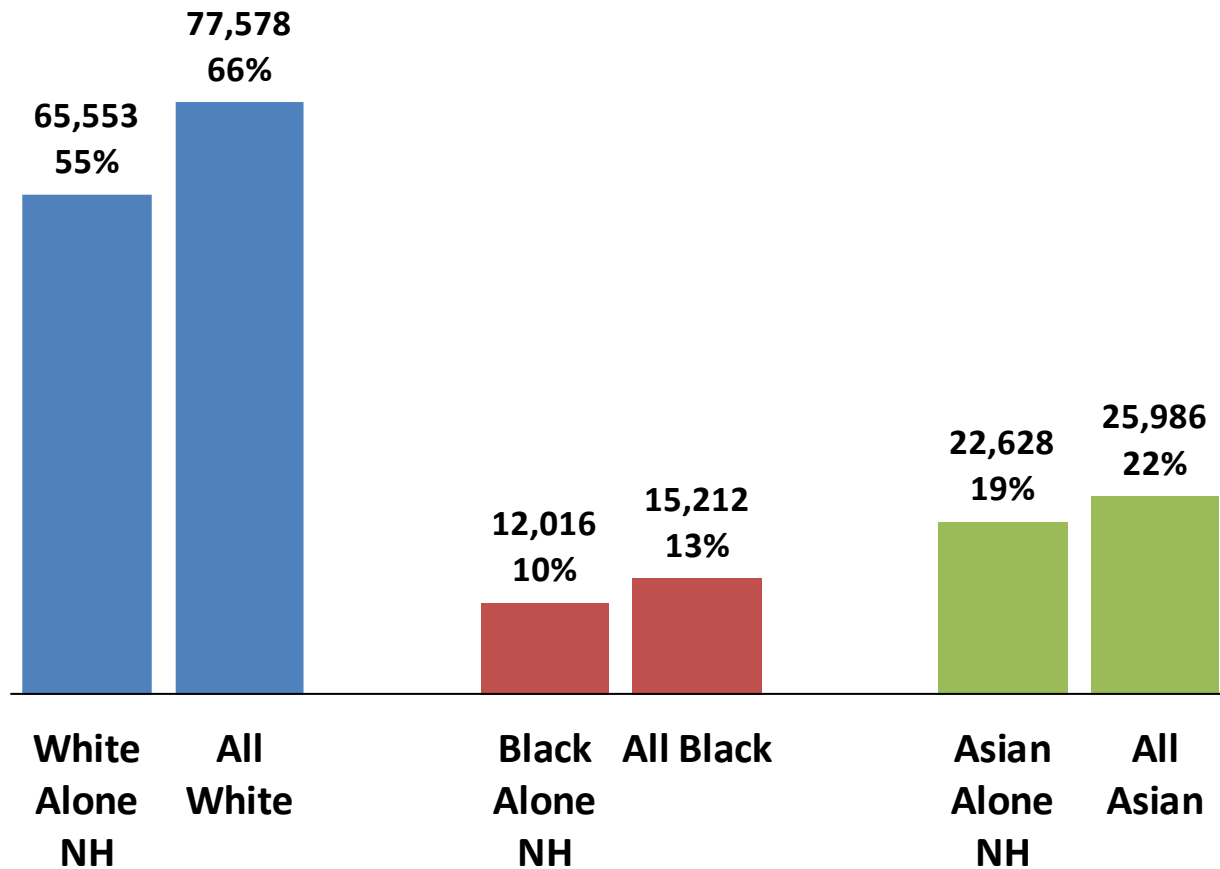
Single Race or Hispanic Origin

Total Population and Under 18

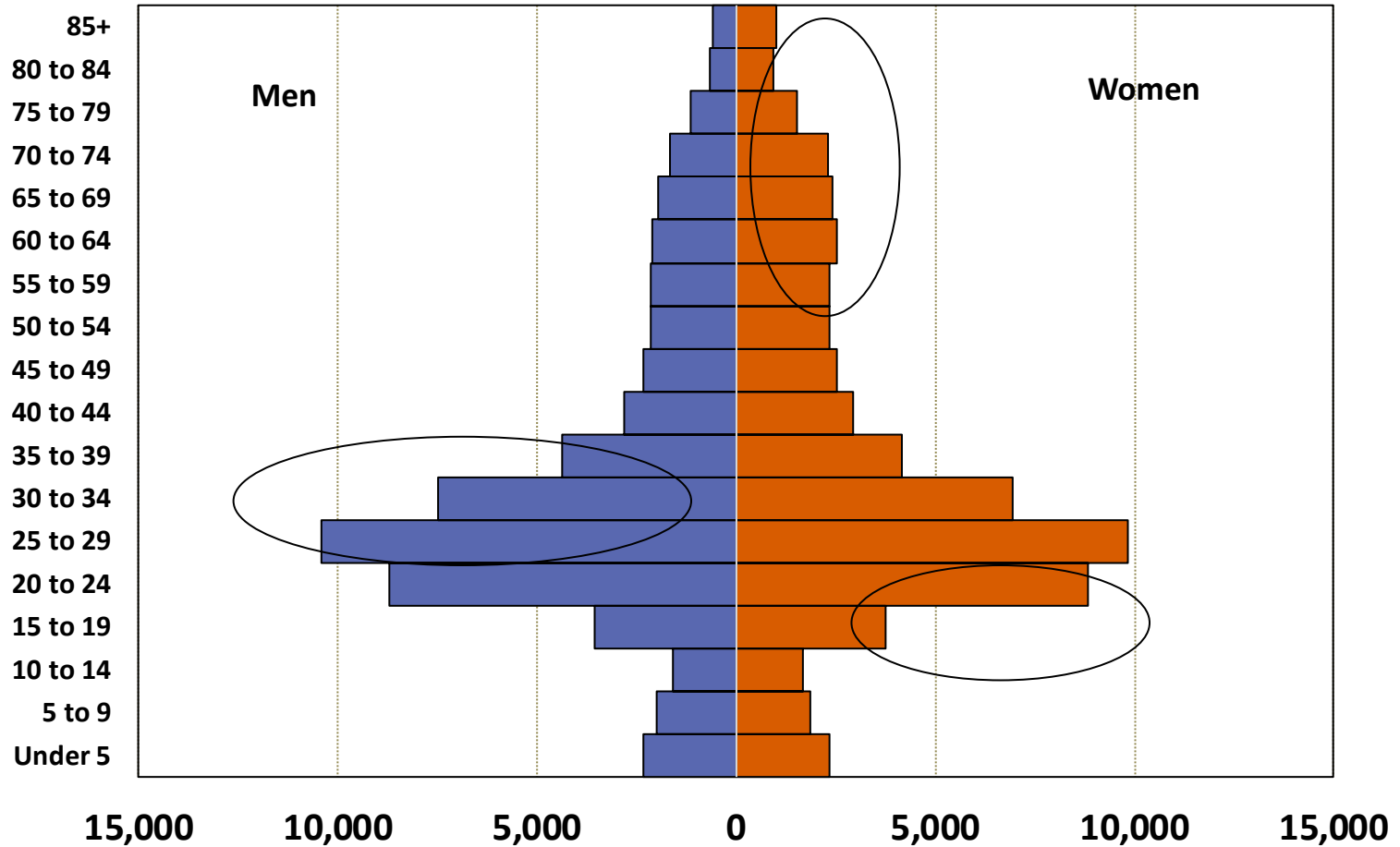


Race Alone or in Combination

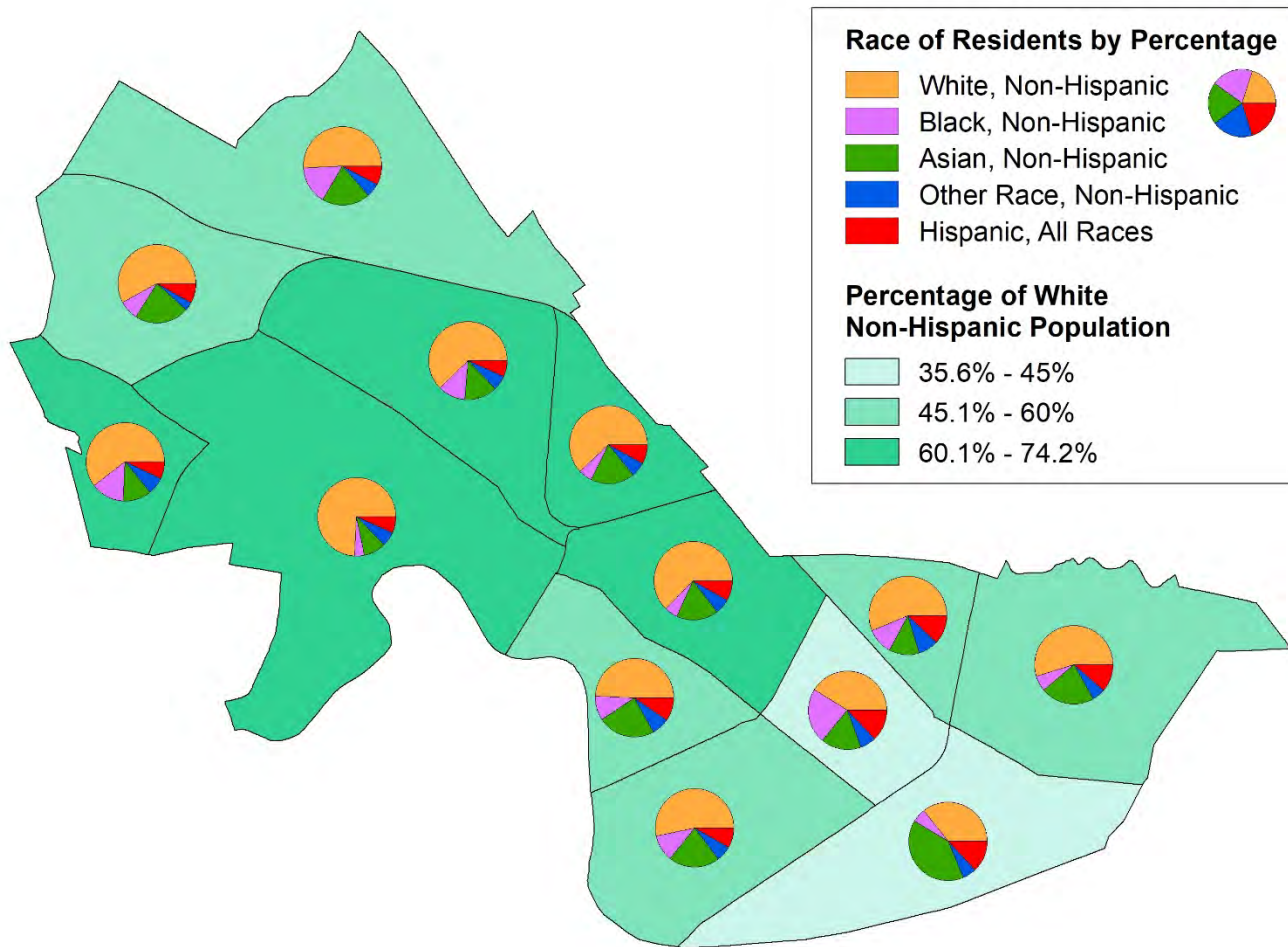
Total Population



Population by Age by Sex

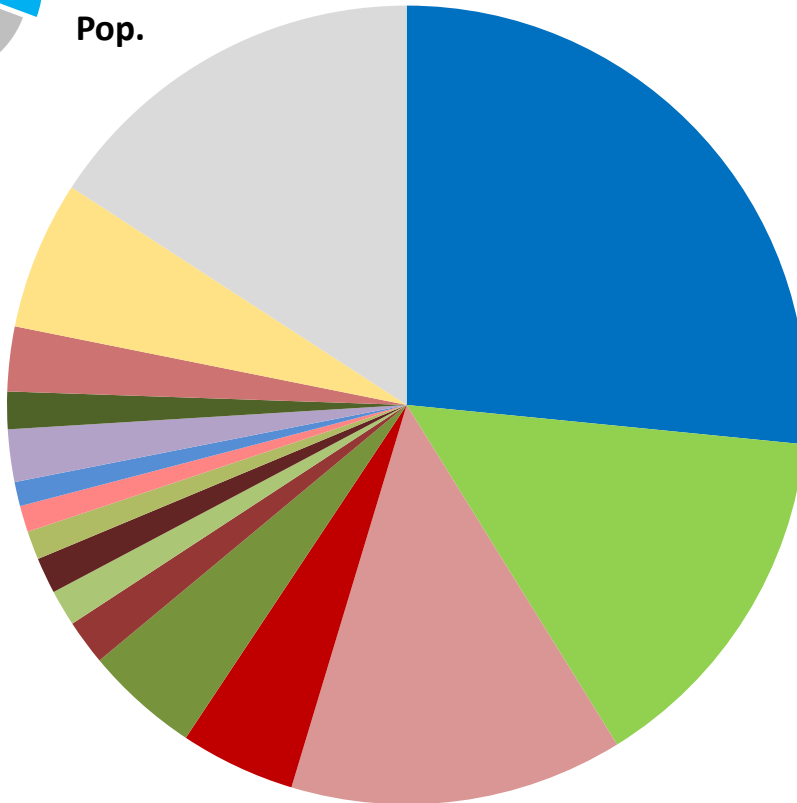
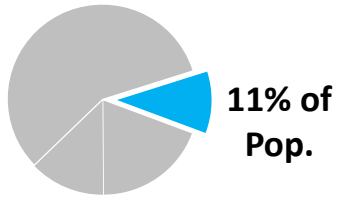


Neighborhood Diversity



Black Ancestry

Household Population



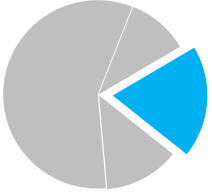
- African American - 26.6%
- Ethiopian - 14.6%
- Haitian - 13.5%
- Jamaican - 4.7%
- Nigerian - 4.6%
- Dominican - 1.8%
- Eritrean - 1.5%
- Barbadian - 1.5%
- Ugandan - 1.2%
- Trinidad & Tobago - 1.1%
- Cape Verdean - 1.0%
- Native American - 2.1%
- Other African Country - 1.5%
- Other West Indian - 2.6%
- Other Ancestries - 6.0%
- Not reported - 15.8%

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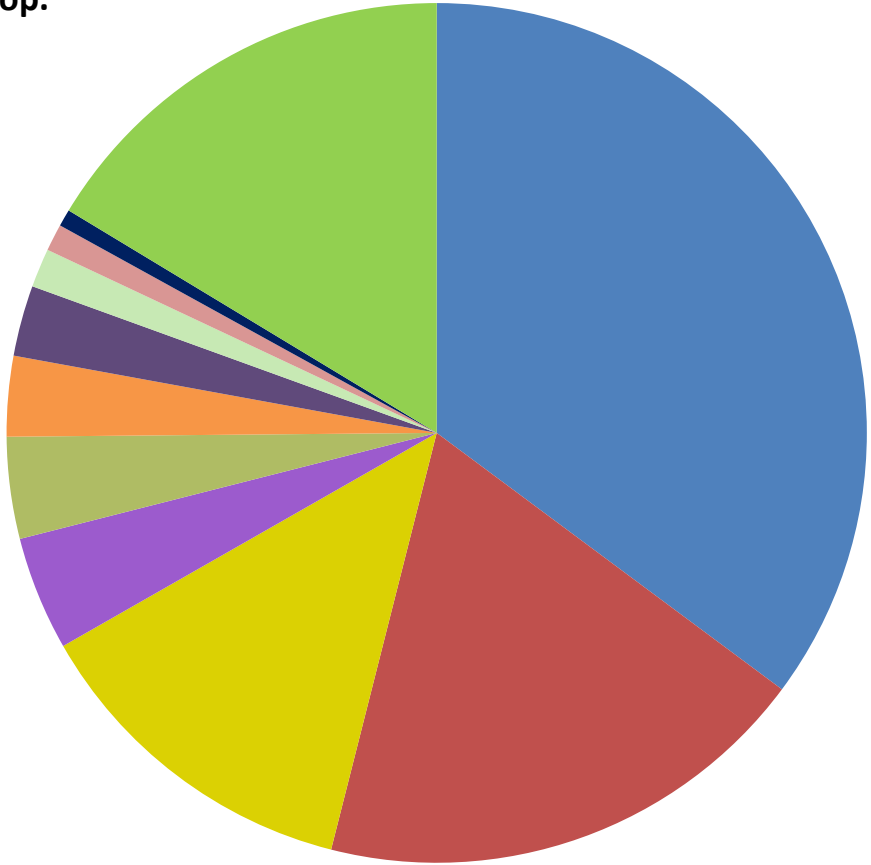
* Includes estimated 250 to 300 persons of Somali ancestry.

Asian Population by Ethnicity

Household Population



19% of Pop.



- Chinese - 42%
- Asian Indian - 23%
- Korean - 15%
- Bengali - 5%
- Japanese - 5%
- Taiwanese - 4%
- Vietnamese - 3%
- Asian - 2%
- Pakistani - 1%
- Filipino - 1%
- Other - 20%

Who is Hispanic?

According to the US Census

The current definition of “Hispanic or Latino” was developed by the US Office of Management and Budget in 1997, following public consultation:

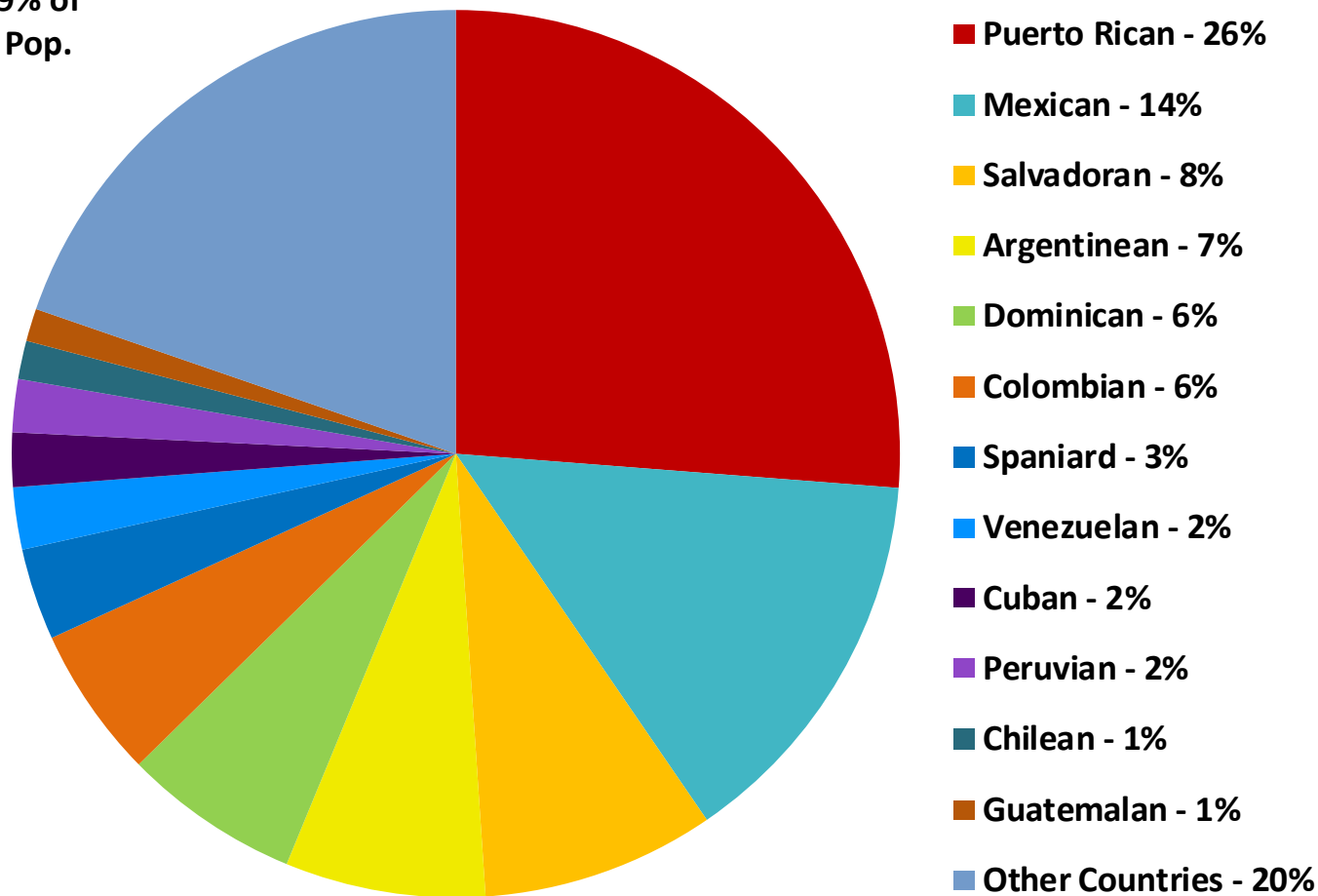
“A person of Cuban, Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, South or Central American, or other Spanish culture or origin, regardless of race.”

All federal agencies use this definition and it is generally accepted by other governments and private organizations.

Who is not defined as Hispanic or Latino? Brazilians and other people with an origin in the Americas from a culture speaking a language other than Spanish, such as people from Guyana, Belize, and non-Spanish speaking Caribbean nations.

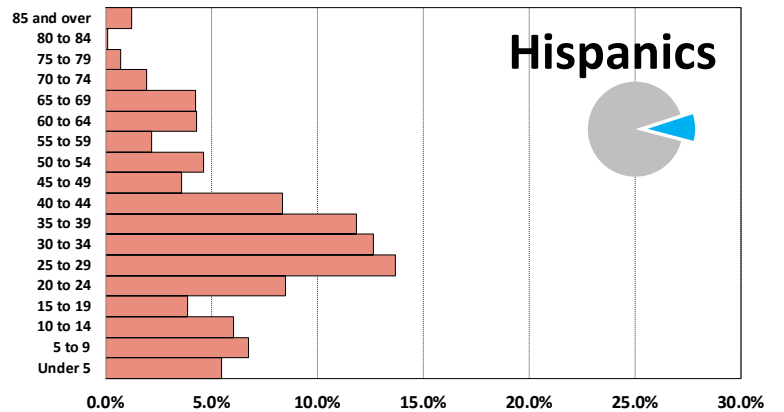
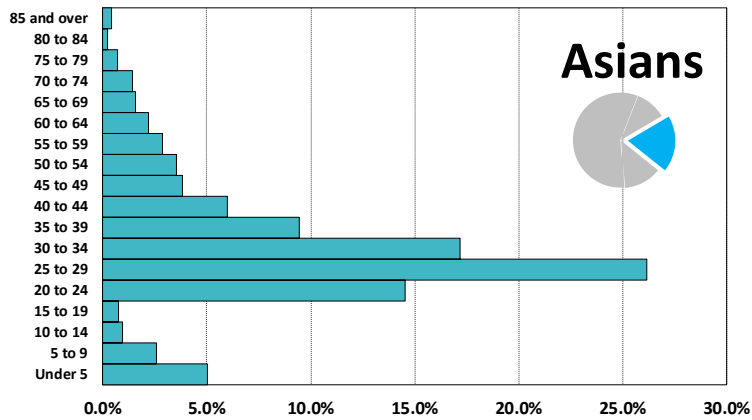
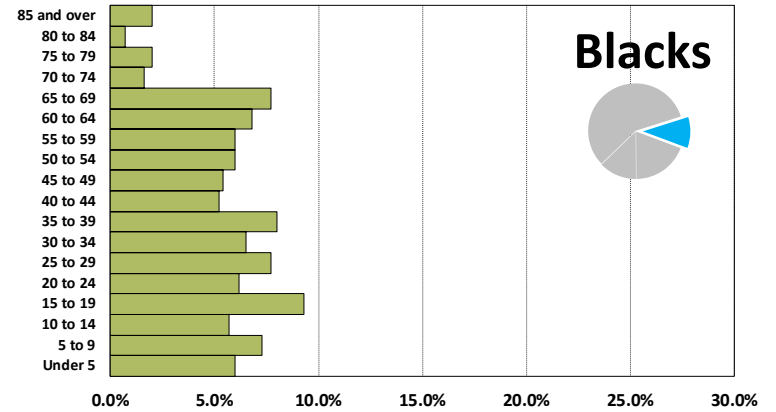
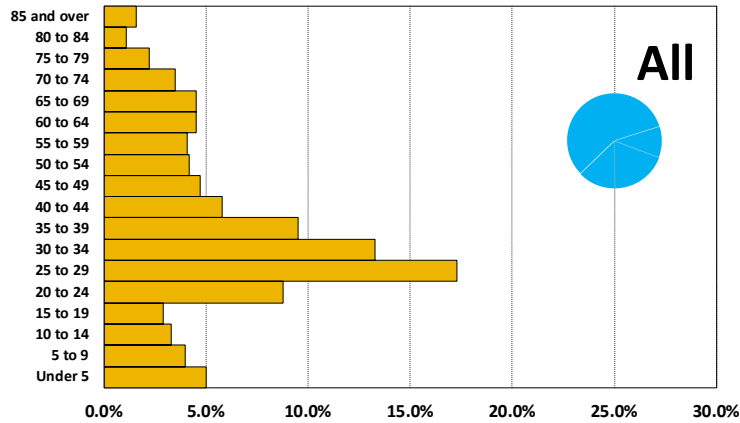
Hispanic Population by Detailed Ethnicity

Household Population



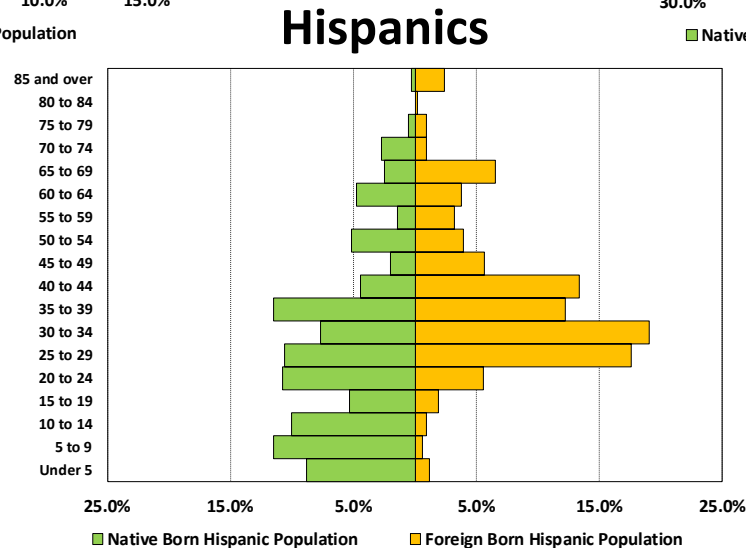
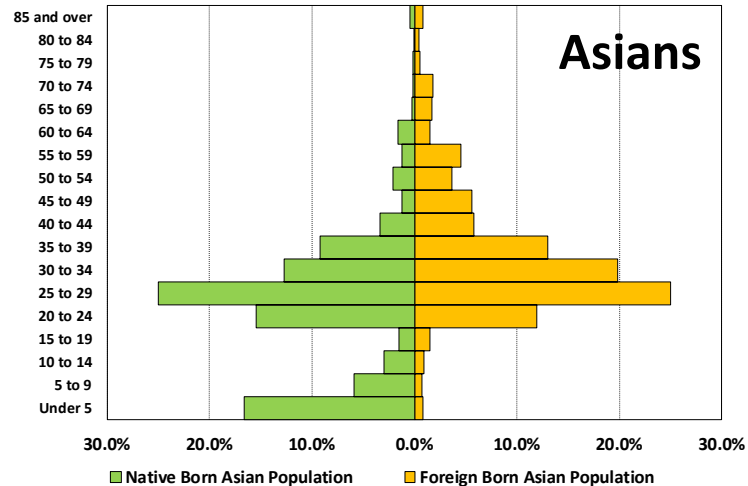
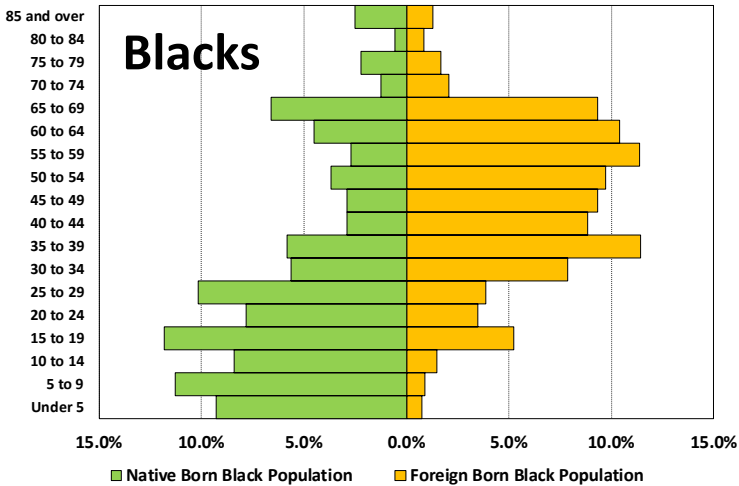
Age Structure

Household Population



Native Born vs. Foreign Born Persons

Household Population



Linguistic Isolation

While a third of Cambridge residents speak a language other than English at home, their ability to speak English varies widely

Persons who do not speak English “very well” are categorized as **Linguistically Isolated**.

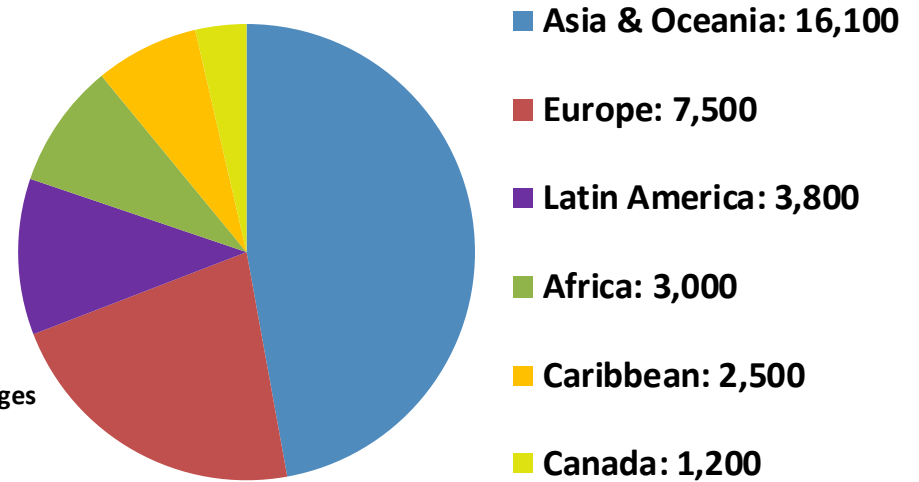
A Linguistically Isolated person is one who speaks English less than “very well”.

A **Linguistically Isolated Household** is one where no one 14 or older speaks English very well.

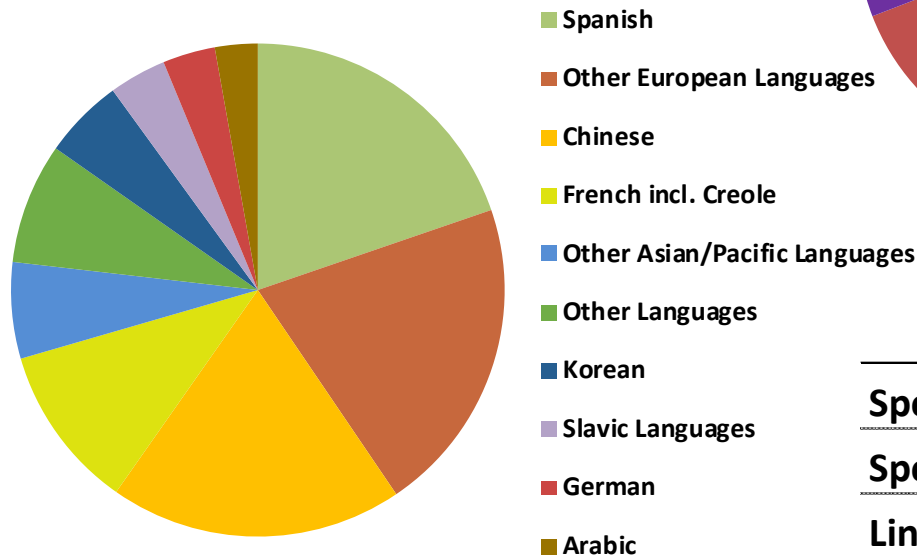
Foreign Language & Birth

Foreign Born	29.1%
Entered Since 2000	21.1%
Entered Since 2010	14.6%
Naturalized Citizen	11.6%

Place of Birth Outside United States



Languages Spoken other than English

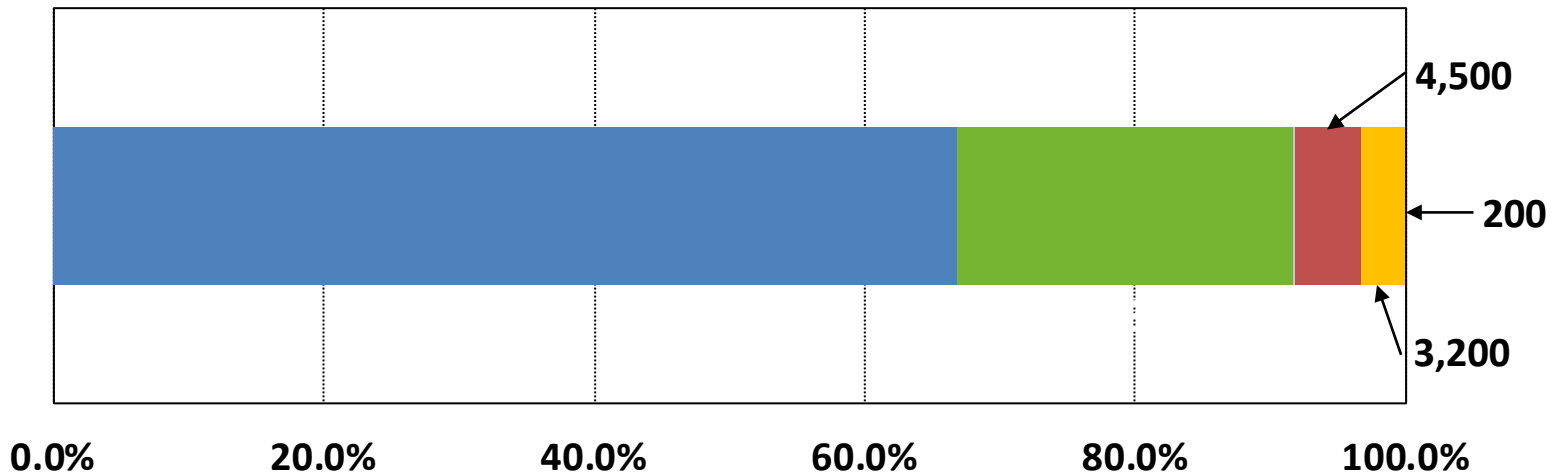


Speak Another Language at Home	34.6%
Speak English less than Very Well	7.9%
Linguistically Isolated Households	5.7%

* Figures in tables are proportion of total population

Language at Home/Ability to Speak English

Household Population 5 & Older



■ Speak Only English

■ Speak Another Language & Speak English Very Well

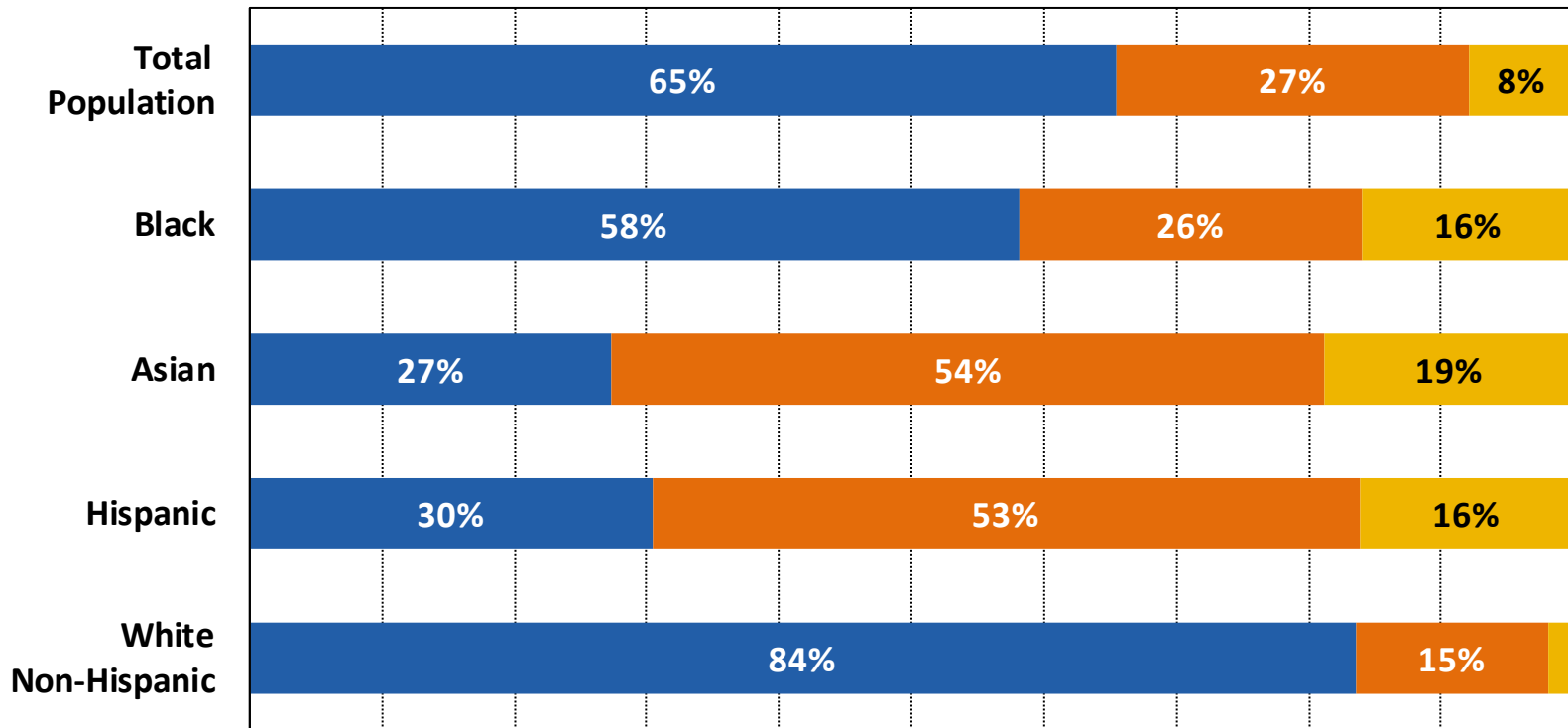
■ Speaks English Very Well - Under 14 & in Linguistically isolated Household

■ Do Not Speak English Well - In Linguistically isolated Household

■ Do Not Speak English Well - Not in Linguistically isolated Household

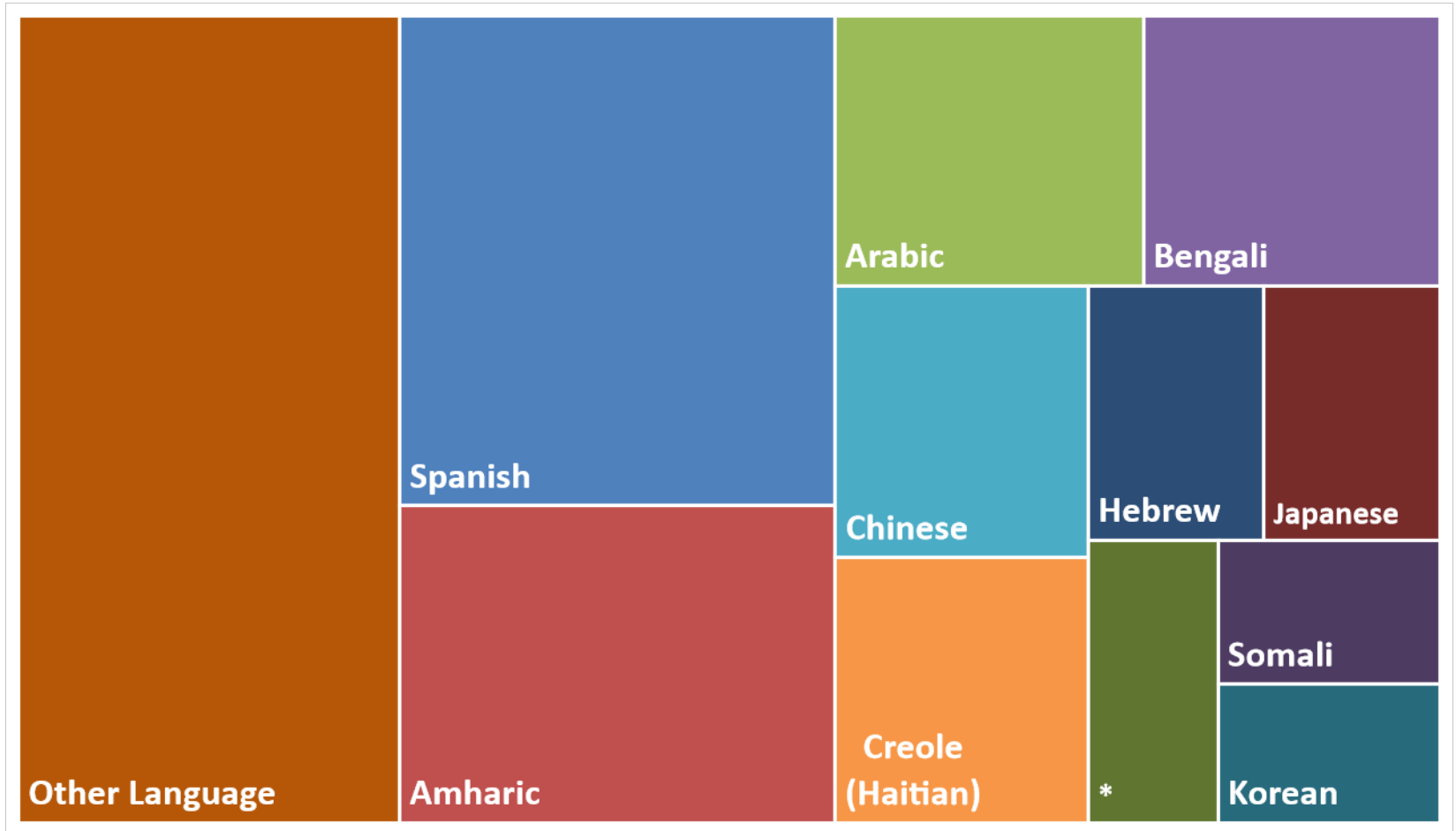
Language Spoken at Home

Population 5 and Older



- Speak Only English at Home
- Other Language, Speak English Very Well
- Other Language, Speak English less than Very Well

CPSD Student Languages other than English

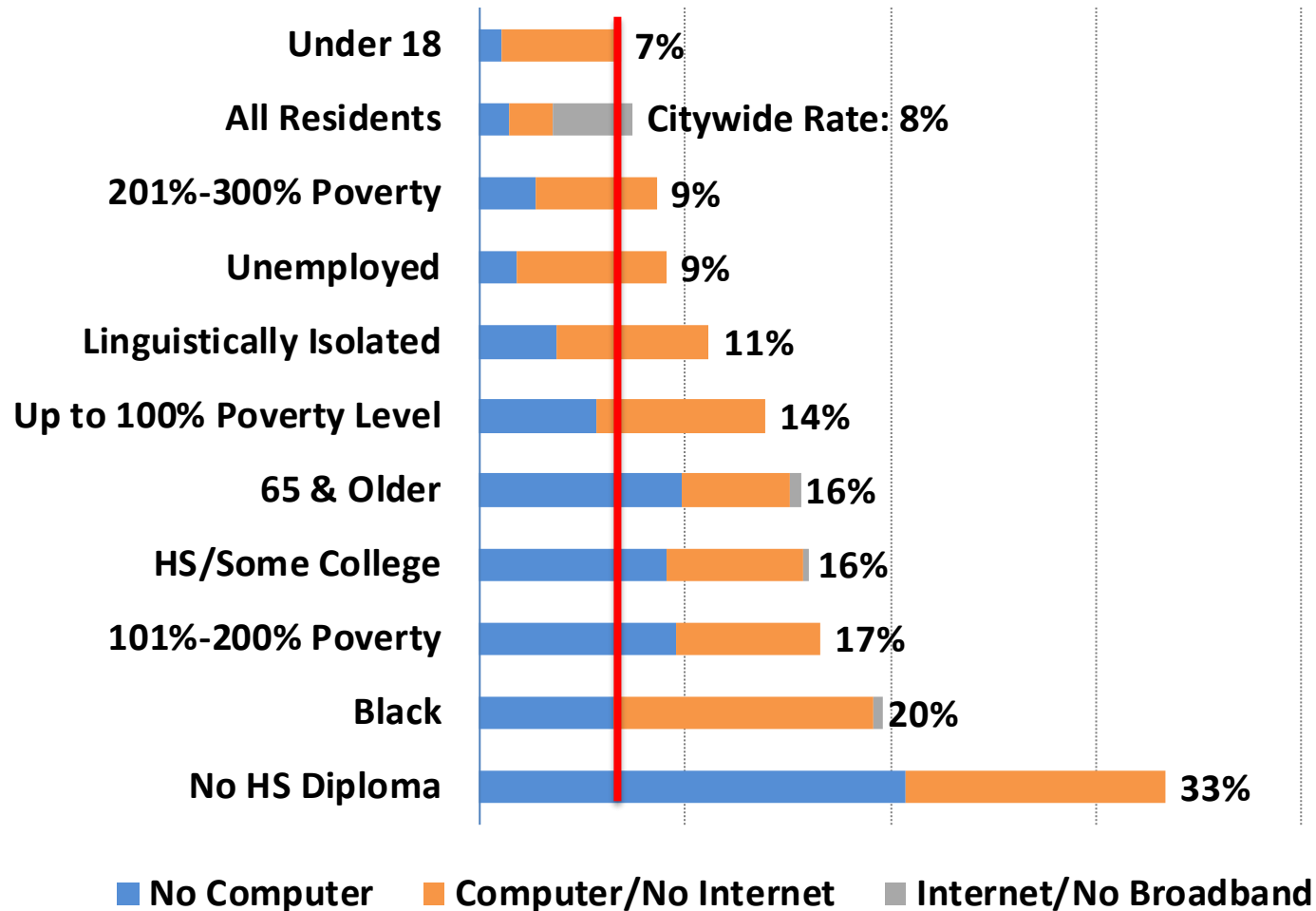


* Portuguese

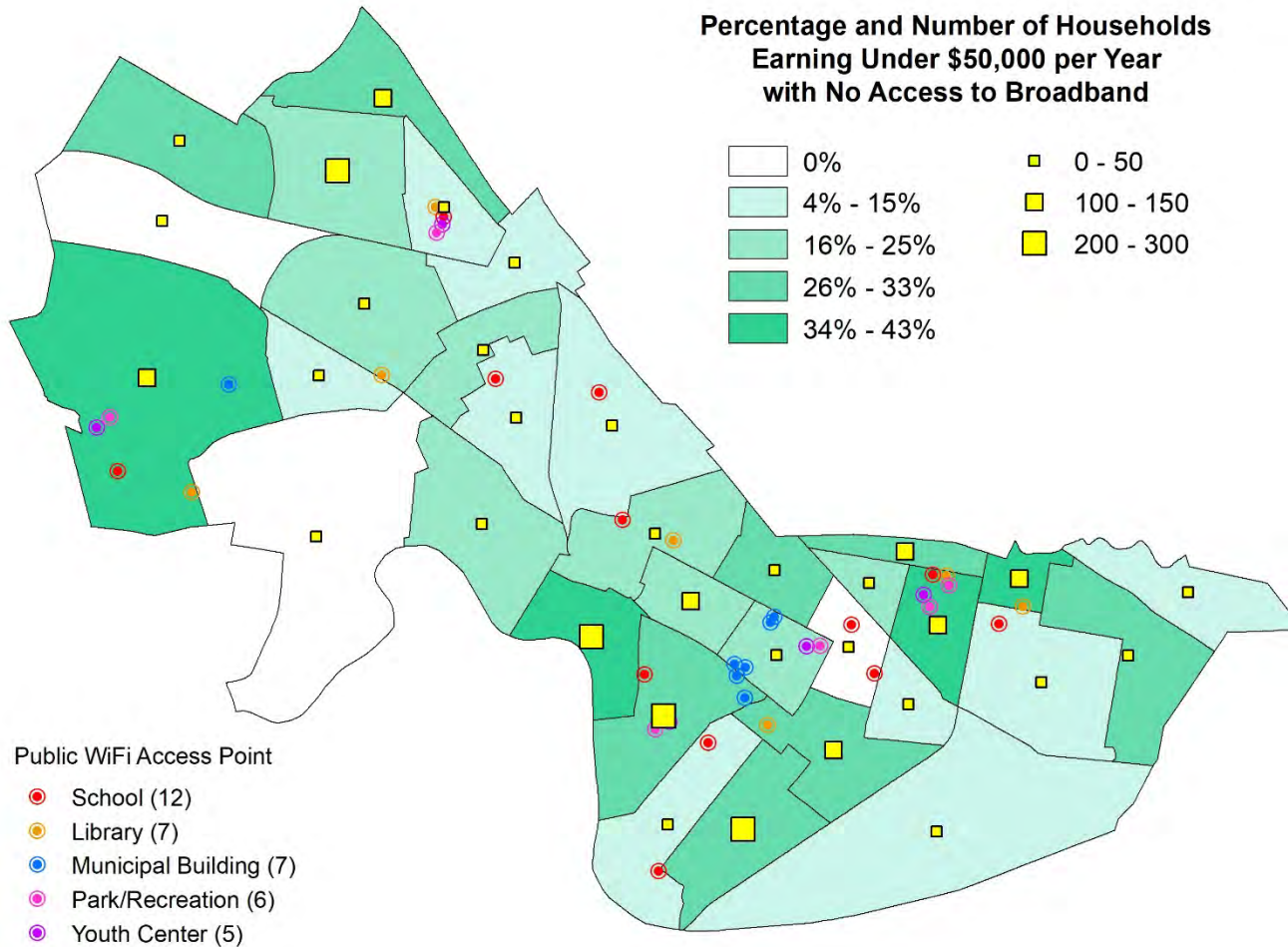
Shifting Top Emigrant Countries

	1990		2000		2017 - 2021	
1.	Portugal	1,854	Haiti	2,386	China (mainland)	4,856
2.	Canada	1,835	China (mainland)	1,754	India	3,199
3.	Italy	956	India	1,390	Korea	1,694
4.	India	842	Portugal	1,327	Haiti	1,429
5.	Germany	780	Korea	1,157	Ethiopia	1,386
6.	England/Scotland	741	Canada	1,046	Canada	1,232
7.	West Indies	644	Japan	905	England/Scotland	1,153
8.	China	545	El Salvador	719	France	1,030
9.	Russia/USSR	408	Taiwan	676	Brazil	892
10.	Japan	354	England/Scotland	654	Germany	733
11.	Africa	305	Brazil	651	Japan	654
12.	Greece	276	Jamaica	603	Italy	626

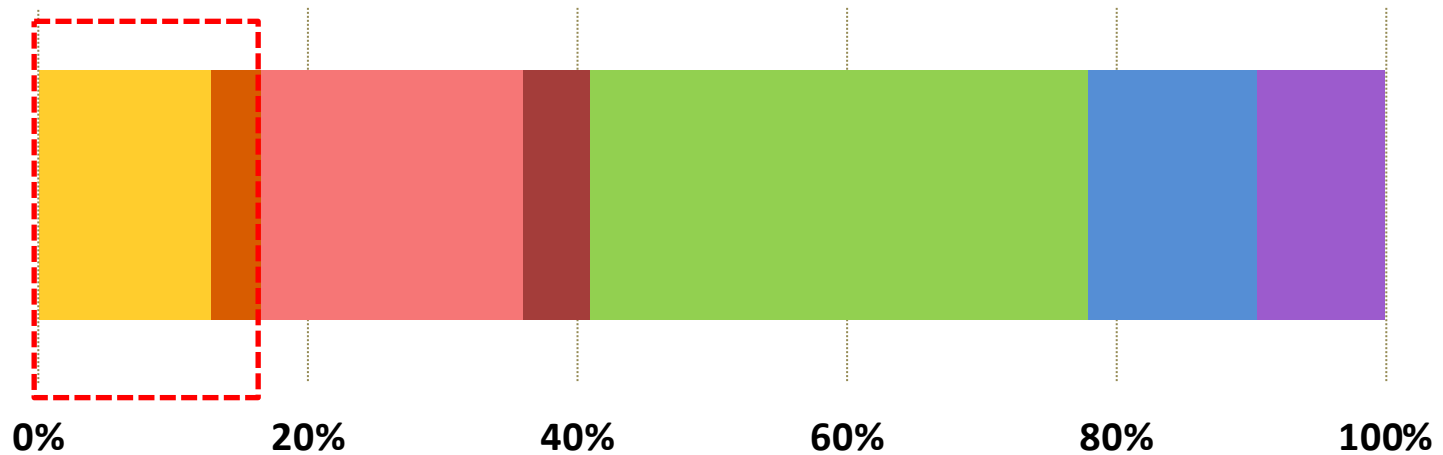
Computer and Internet Access: Race/Ethnicity, Education & Unemployed



Internet & Public Wifi Access



Household & Family Types



■ Married w/ Children <18

■ Single Parents w/ Children <18

■ Married w/o Children <18

■ All Other Families

■ Person Living Alone

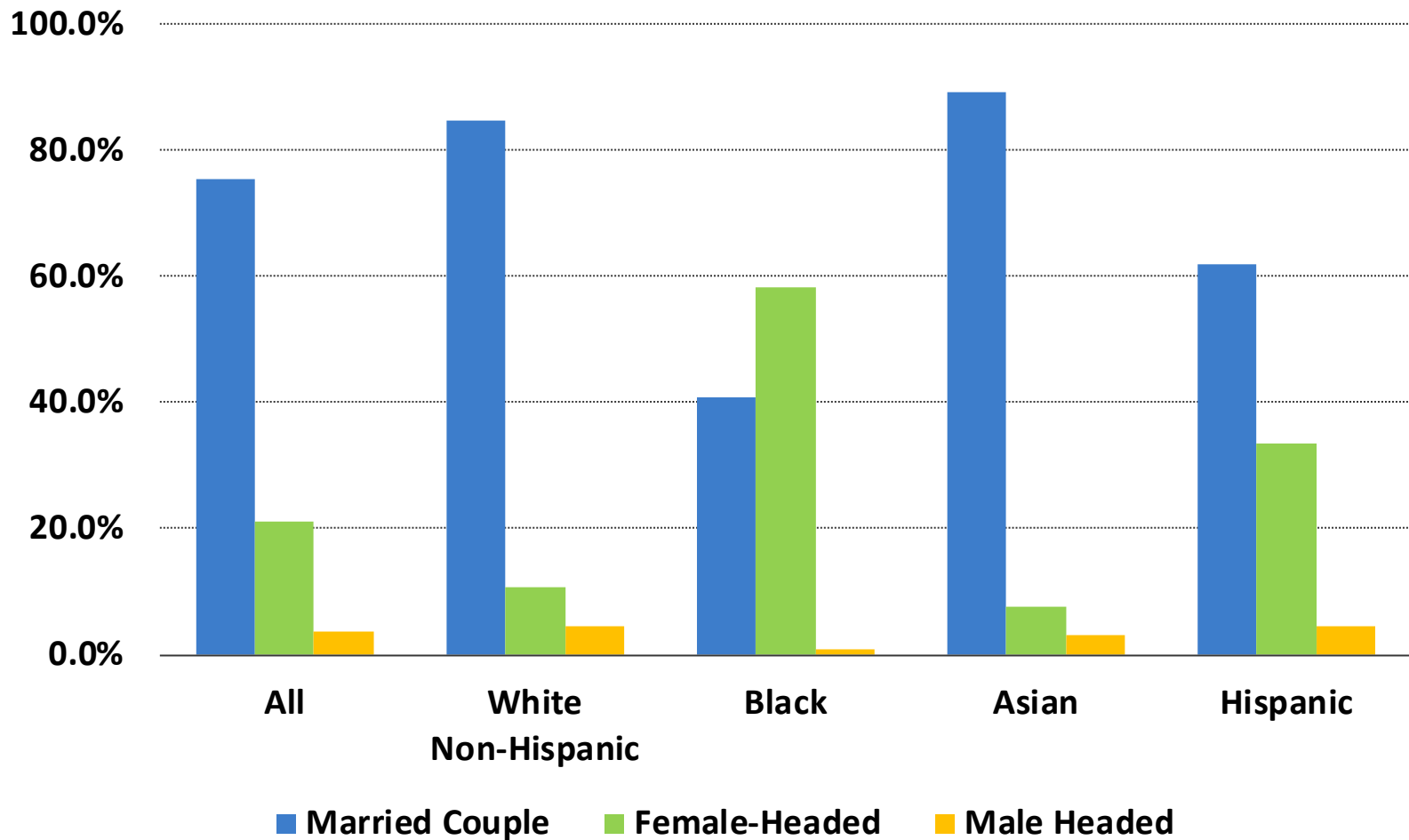
■ Roommates

■ Unmarried Partners*

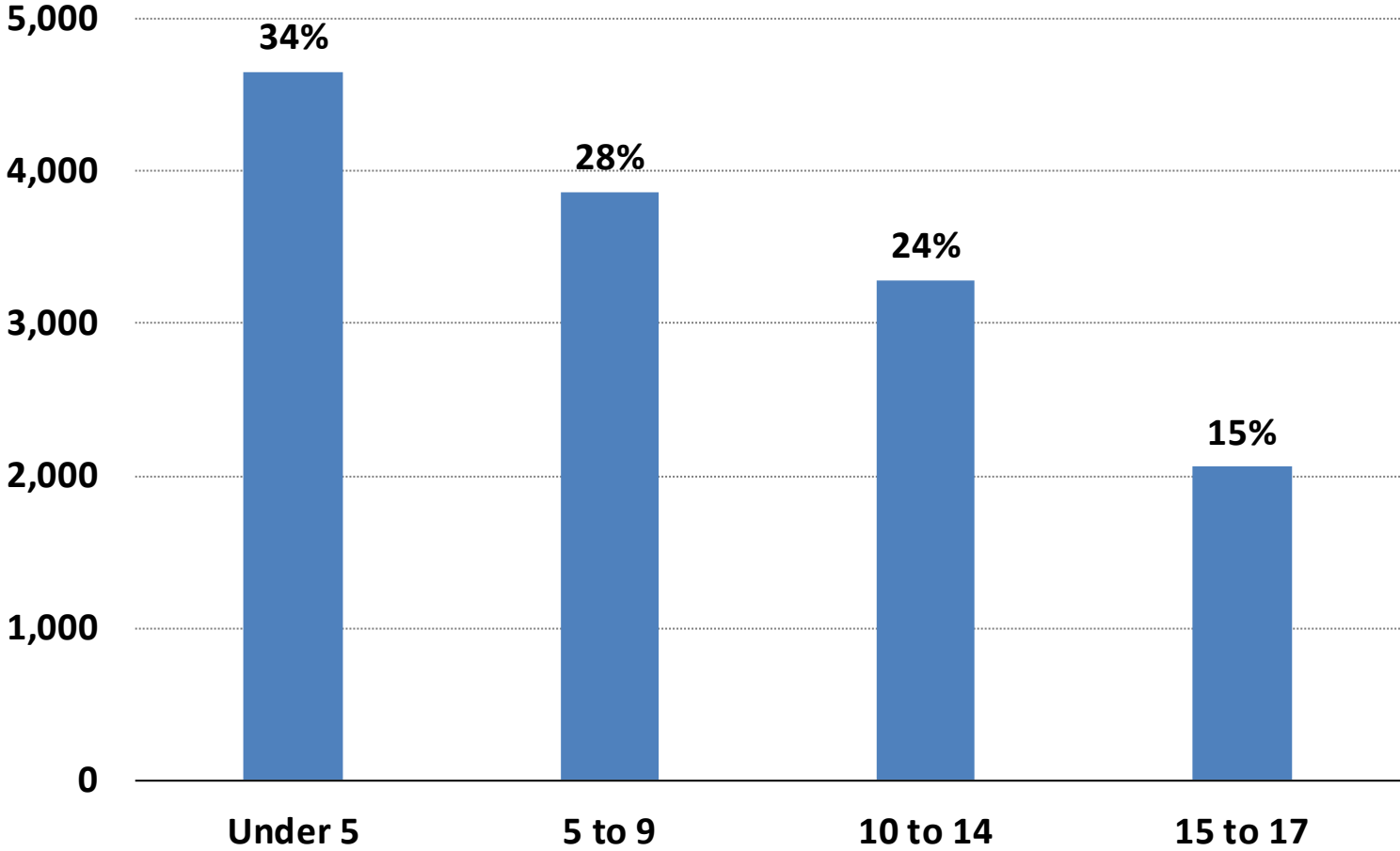
□ Families with Children

*Excludes 300 households with children included in Single Parent category

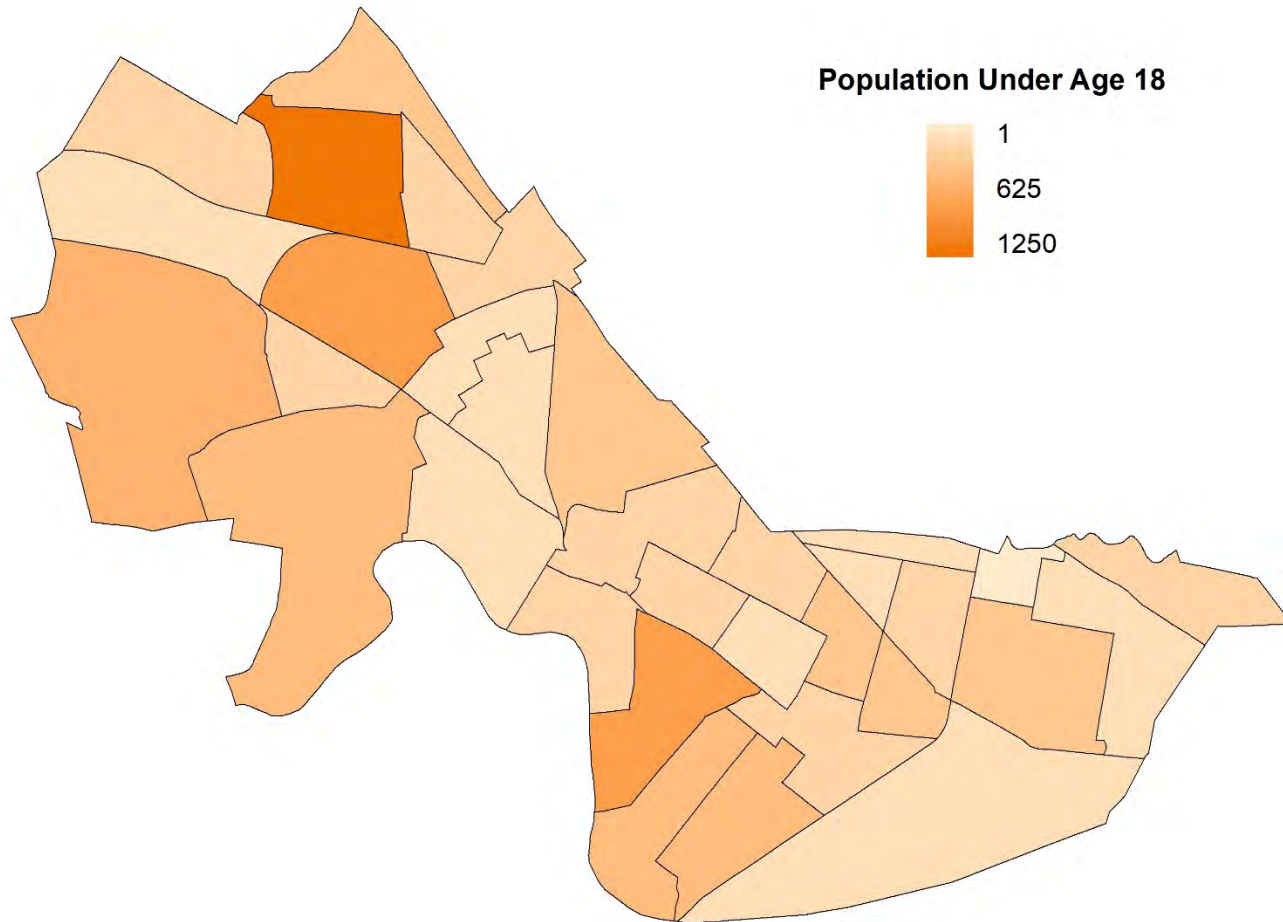
Families with Children



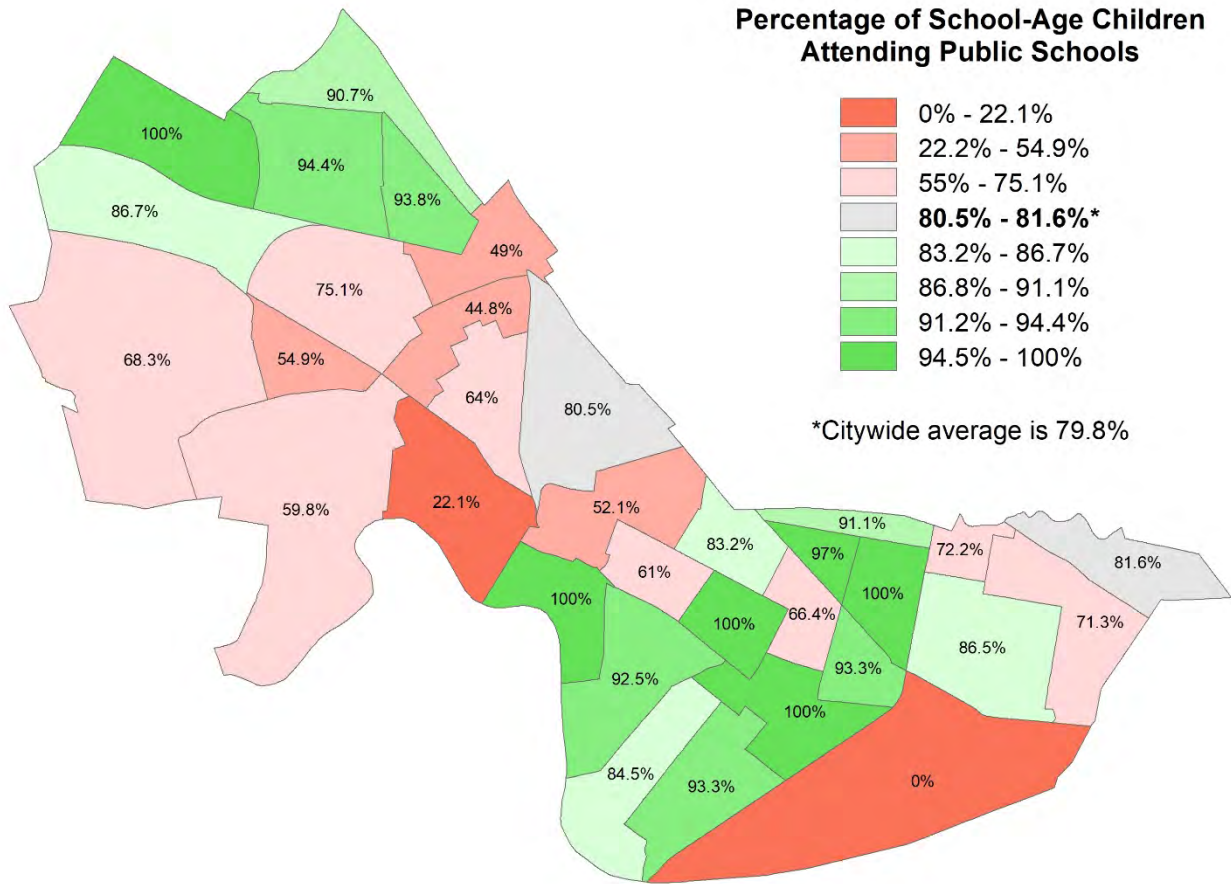
Children by Age



Youths by Census Tract

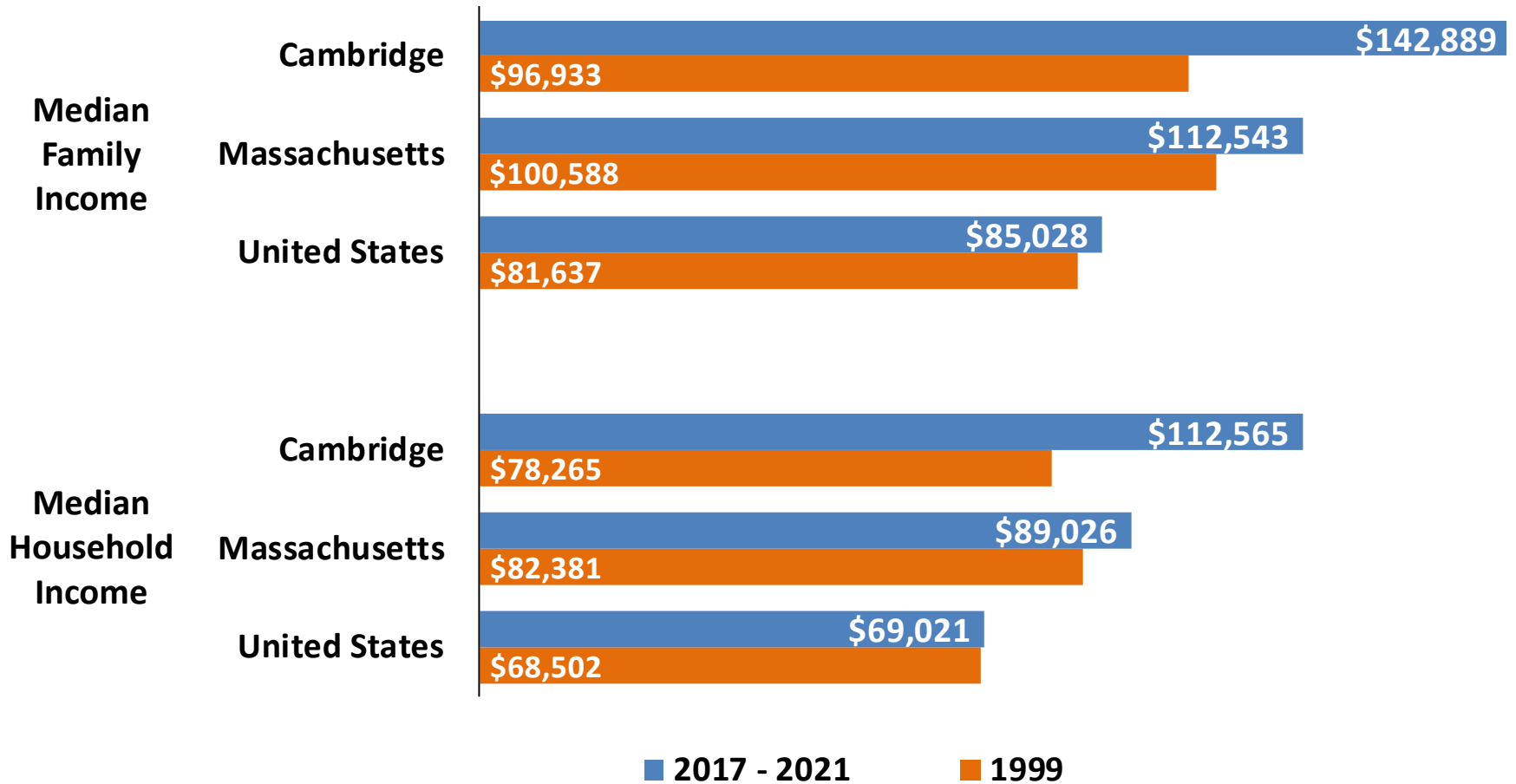


K – 12 Public School Enrollment



Source: U. S. Census Bureau, American Community Survey, 2017 – 2021.

Median Income

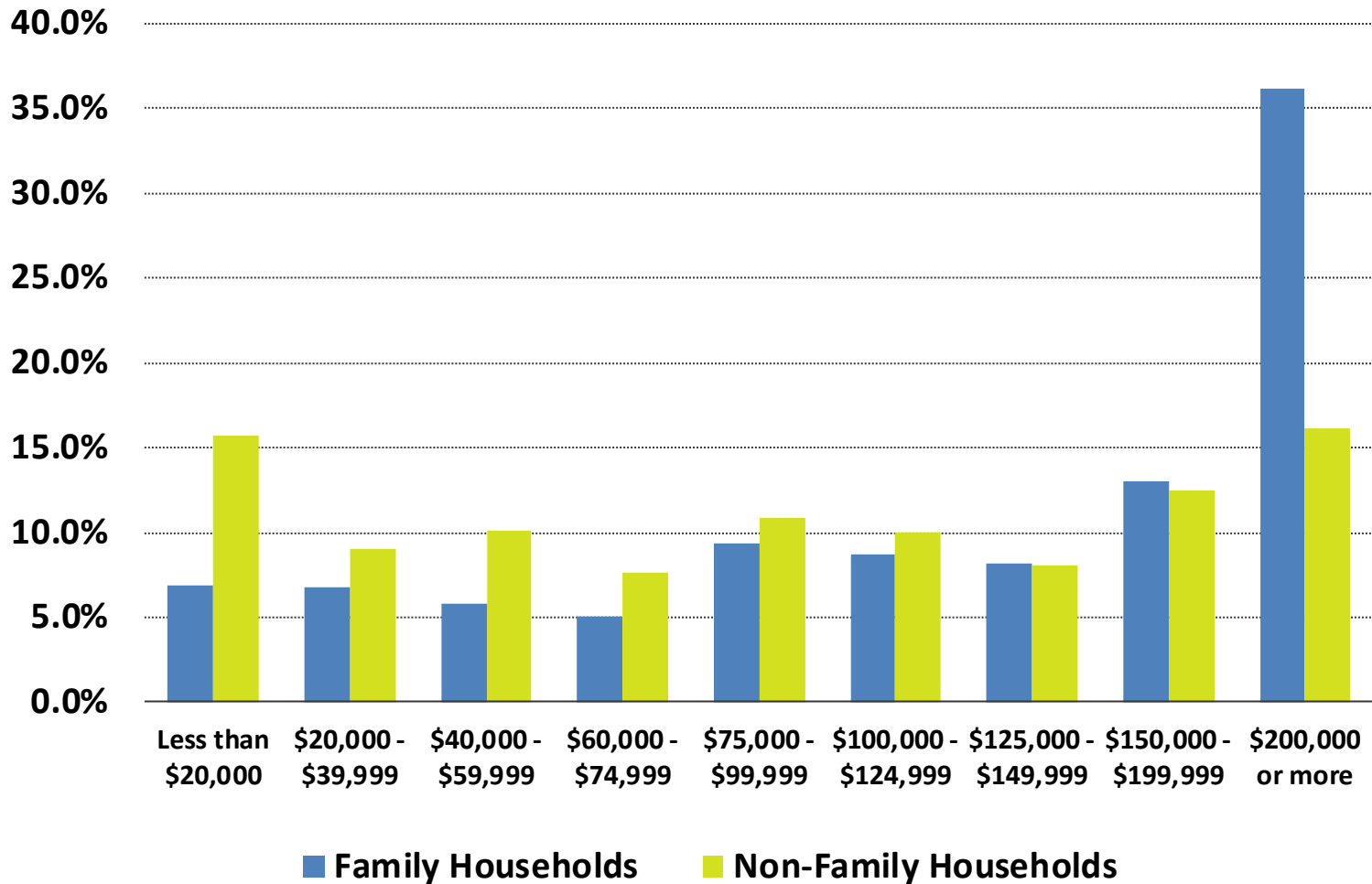


Household Income Quintiles

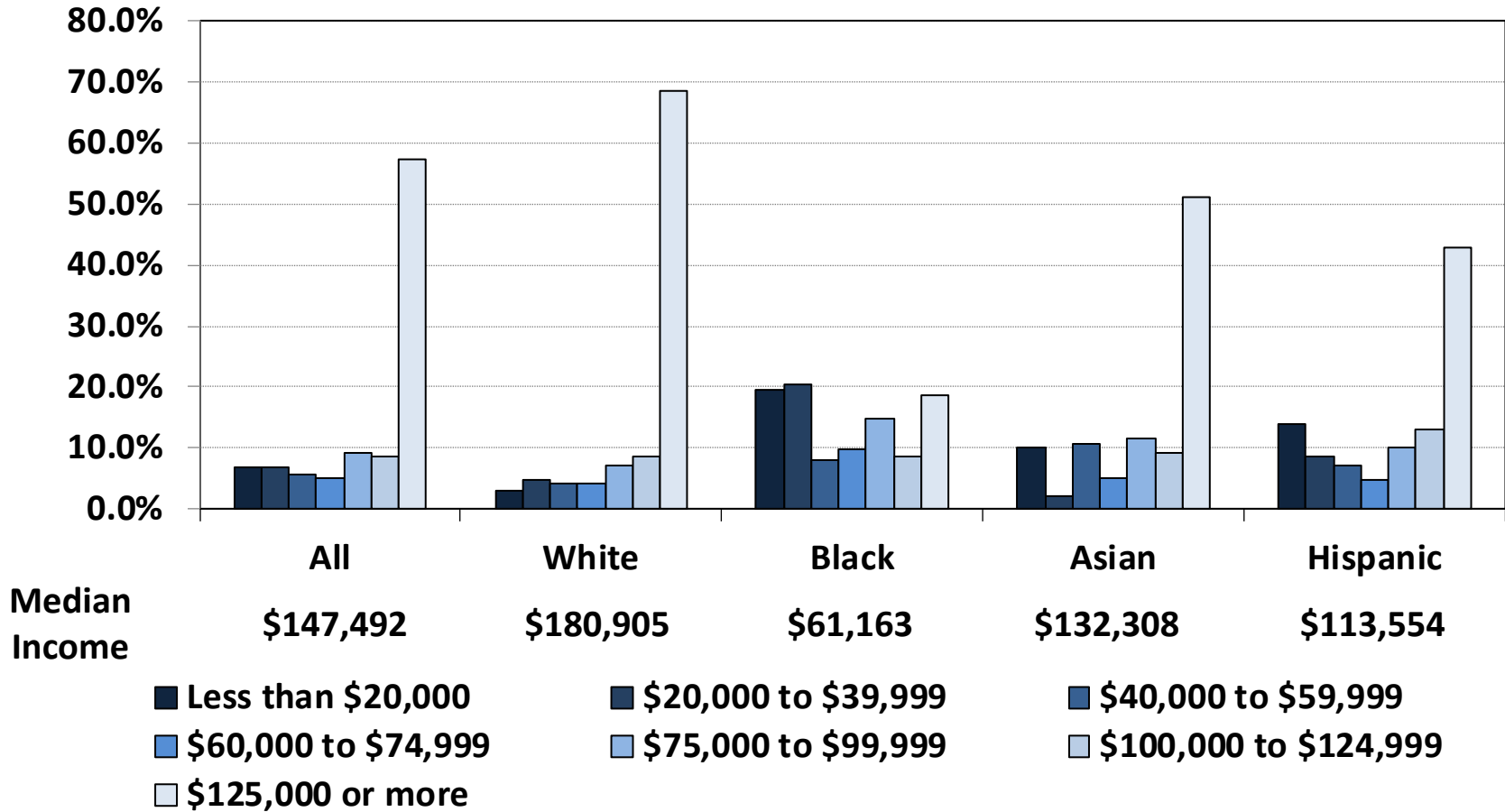
Quintile	Proportion of Households	Upper Income Limit	Mean Income	Share of Income	Children Ages 0 to 17	% Children 0 to 17
Lowest	20%	\$39,614	\$16,895	2%	2,000	14%
Second	20%	\$85,916	\$62,750	8%	2,700	19%
Middle	20%	\$141,038	\$112,431	15%	2,100	15%
Fourth	20%	\$227,991	\$177,951	23%	2,300	16%
Upper	20%	--	\$402,213	52%	5,300	37%
		Lower Limit				
Top 5%	5%	250000+	\$689,232	22%	--	--



Income Distribution

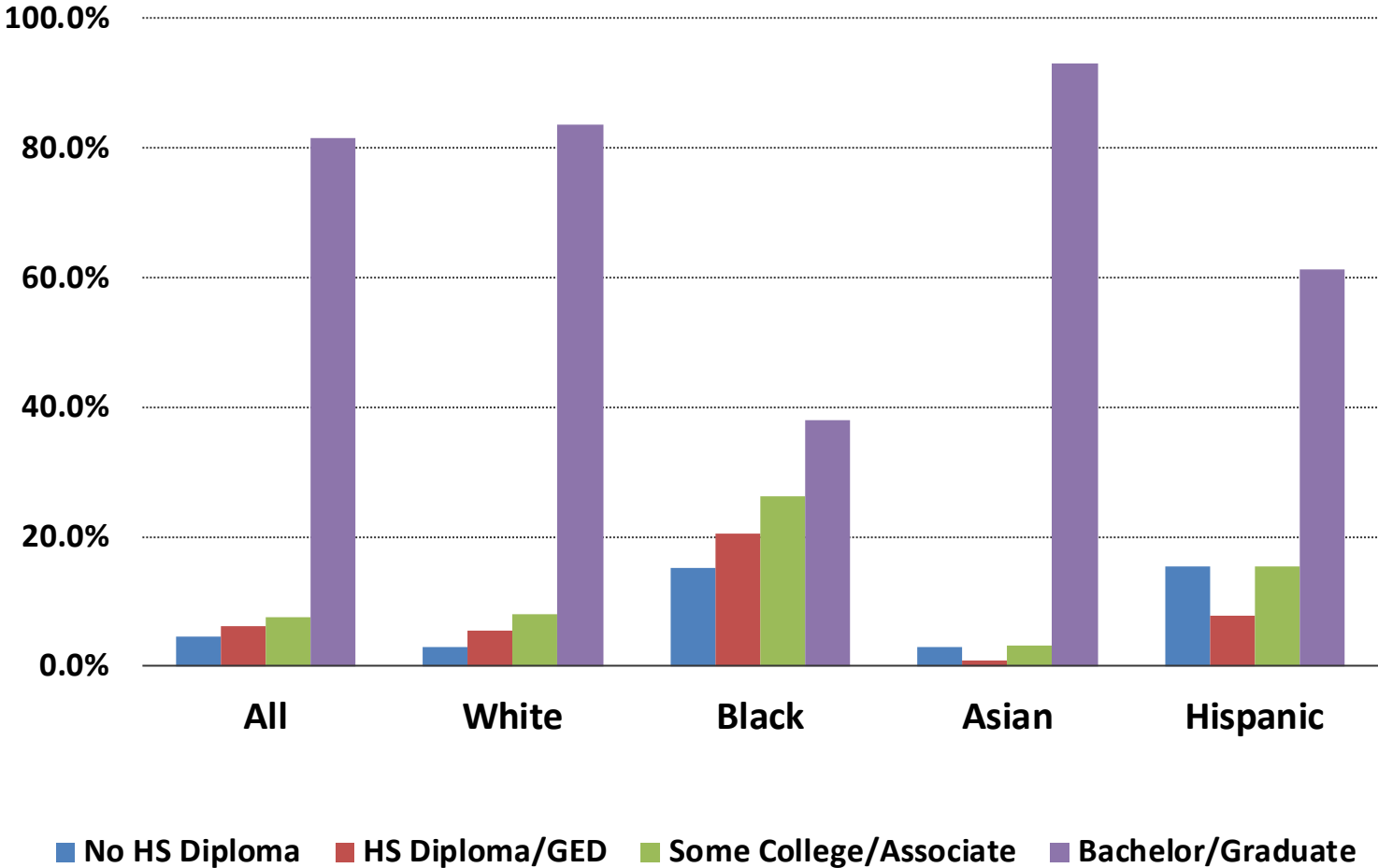


Family Income by Race



Educational Attainment

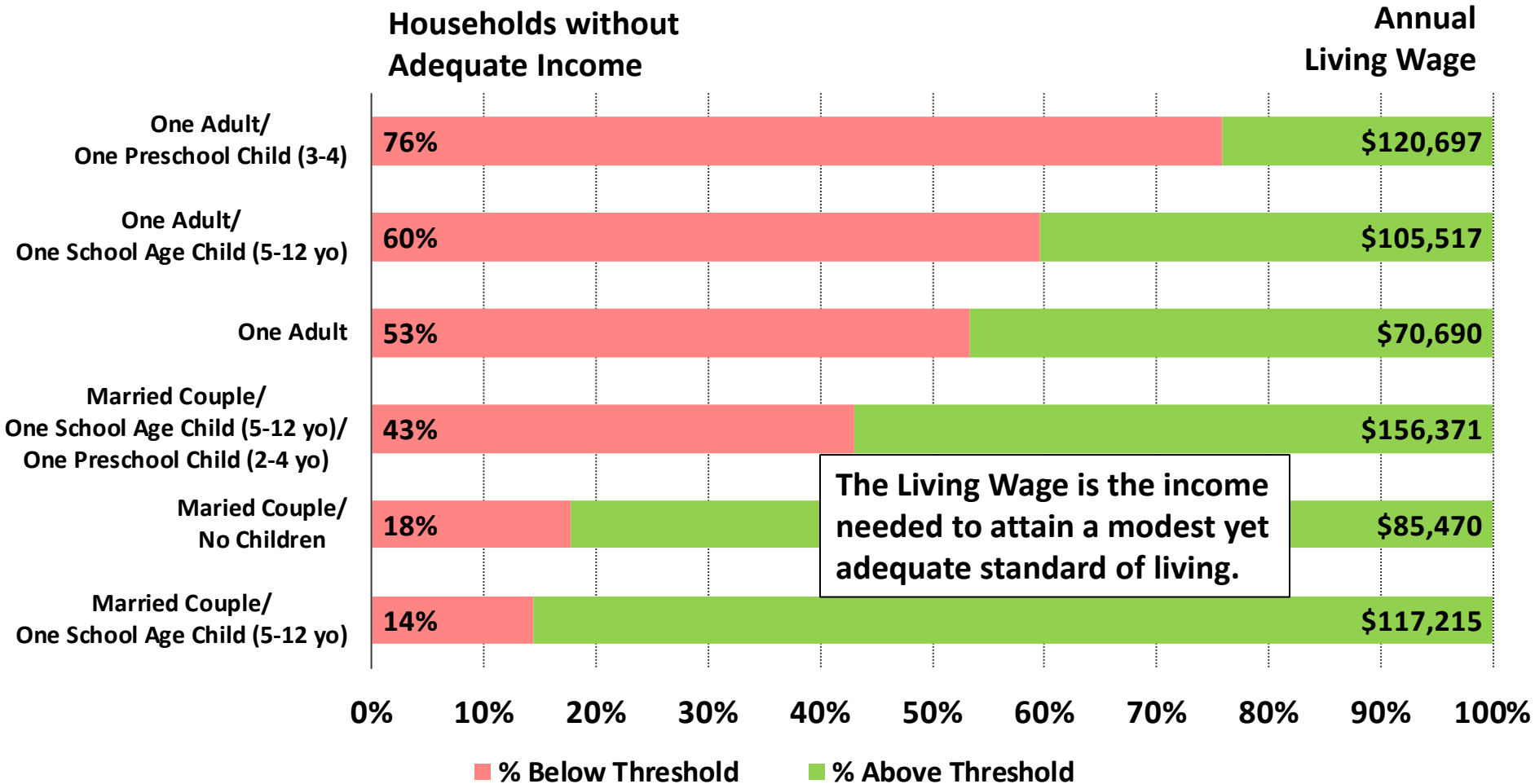
Persons 25 and Older



What is the Living Wage?

The Living Wage is the income needed to attain a modest yet adequate standard of living.

Households and Living Wage



Note: Proportions for two parent families are for married couple households; unmarried couples are excluded.

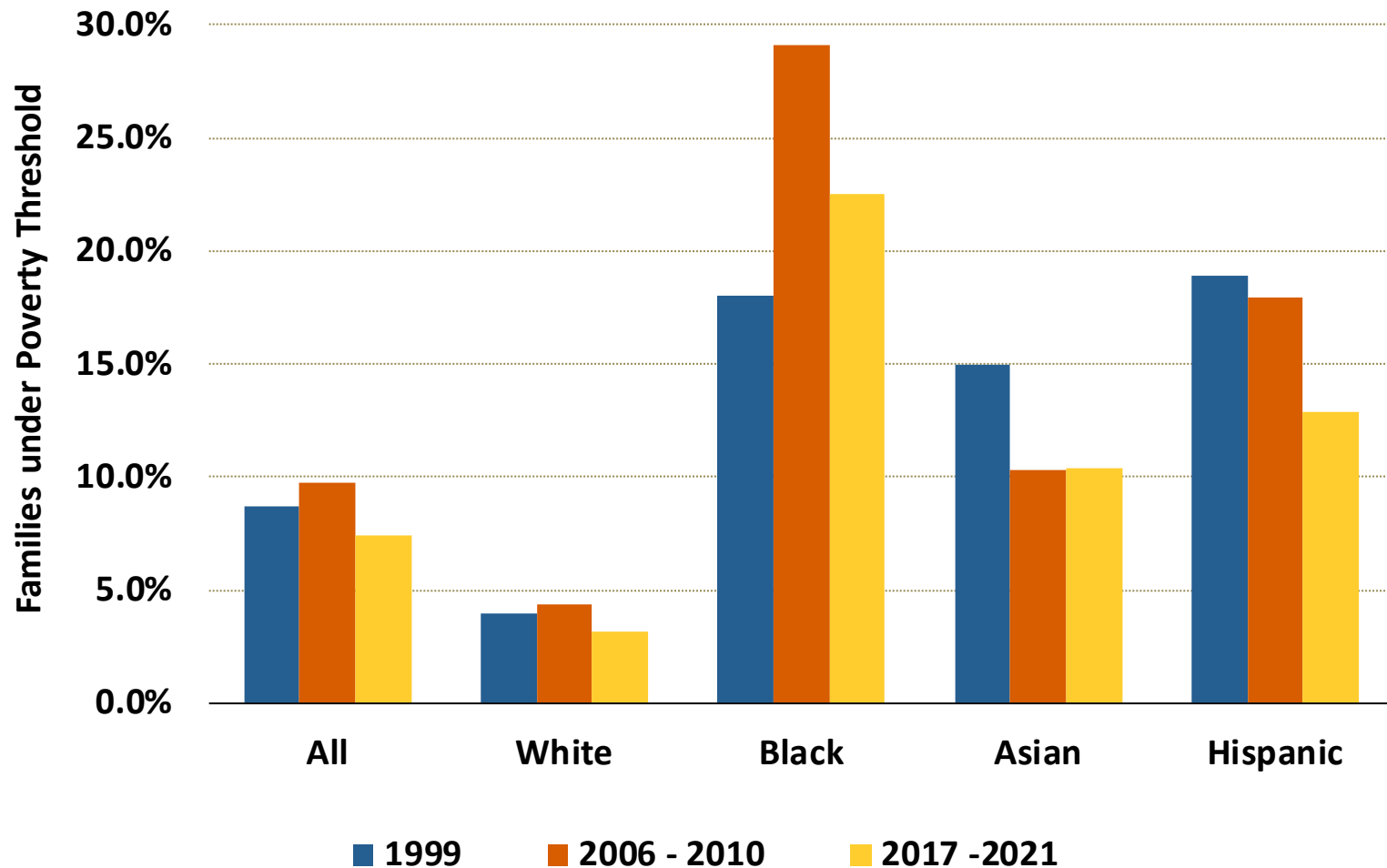
What do we mean by “Poverty”?

Persons in poverty live in a household earning less than the following amount during the year:

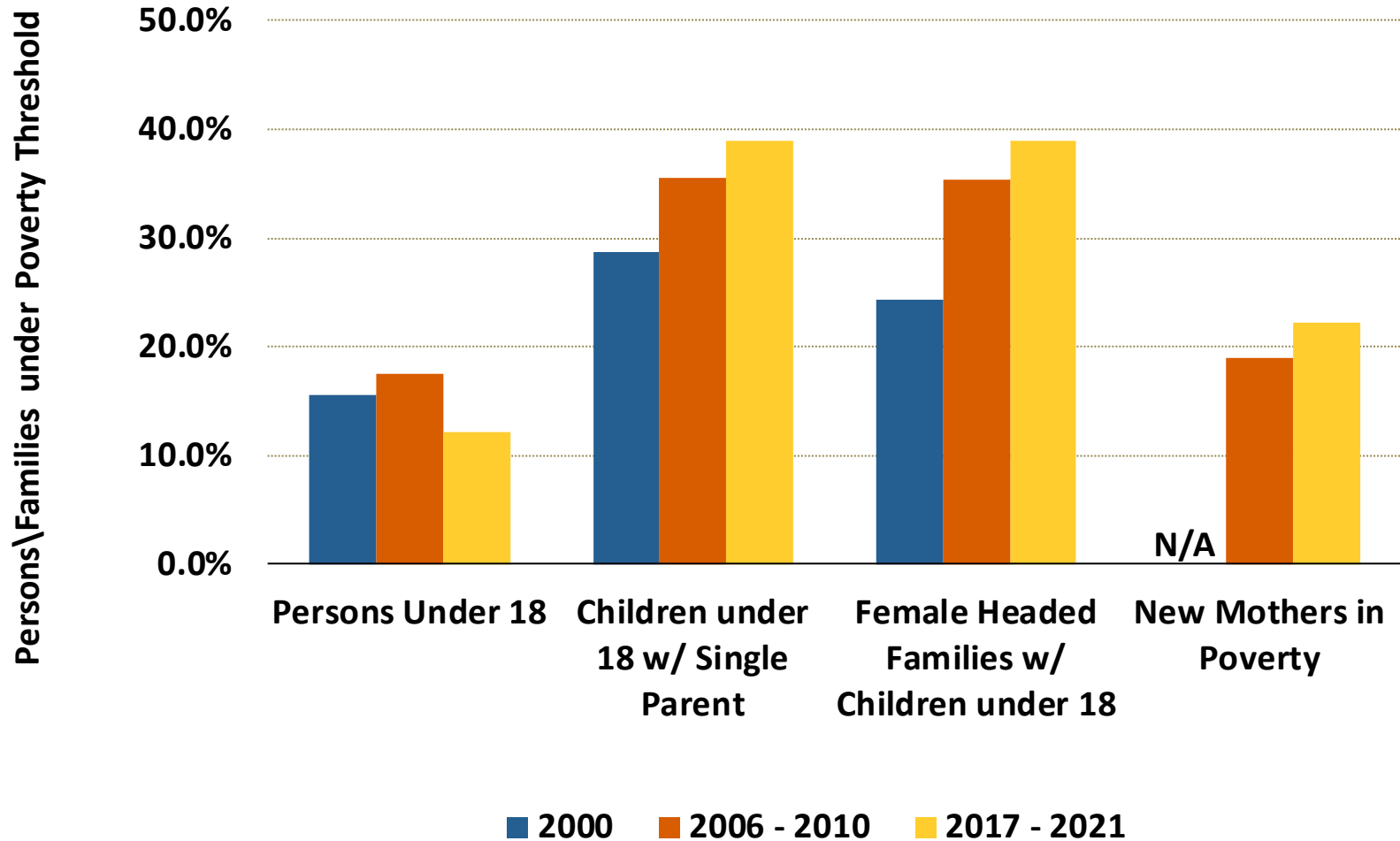
Household Size	2023 Poverty Guidelines
1 person	\$14,580
2 persons	\$19,720
3 persons	\$24,860
4 persons	\$30,000
5 persons	\$35,140

By definition, dormitory and other group quarters residents do not fall under poverty thresholds.

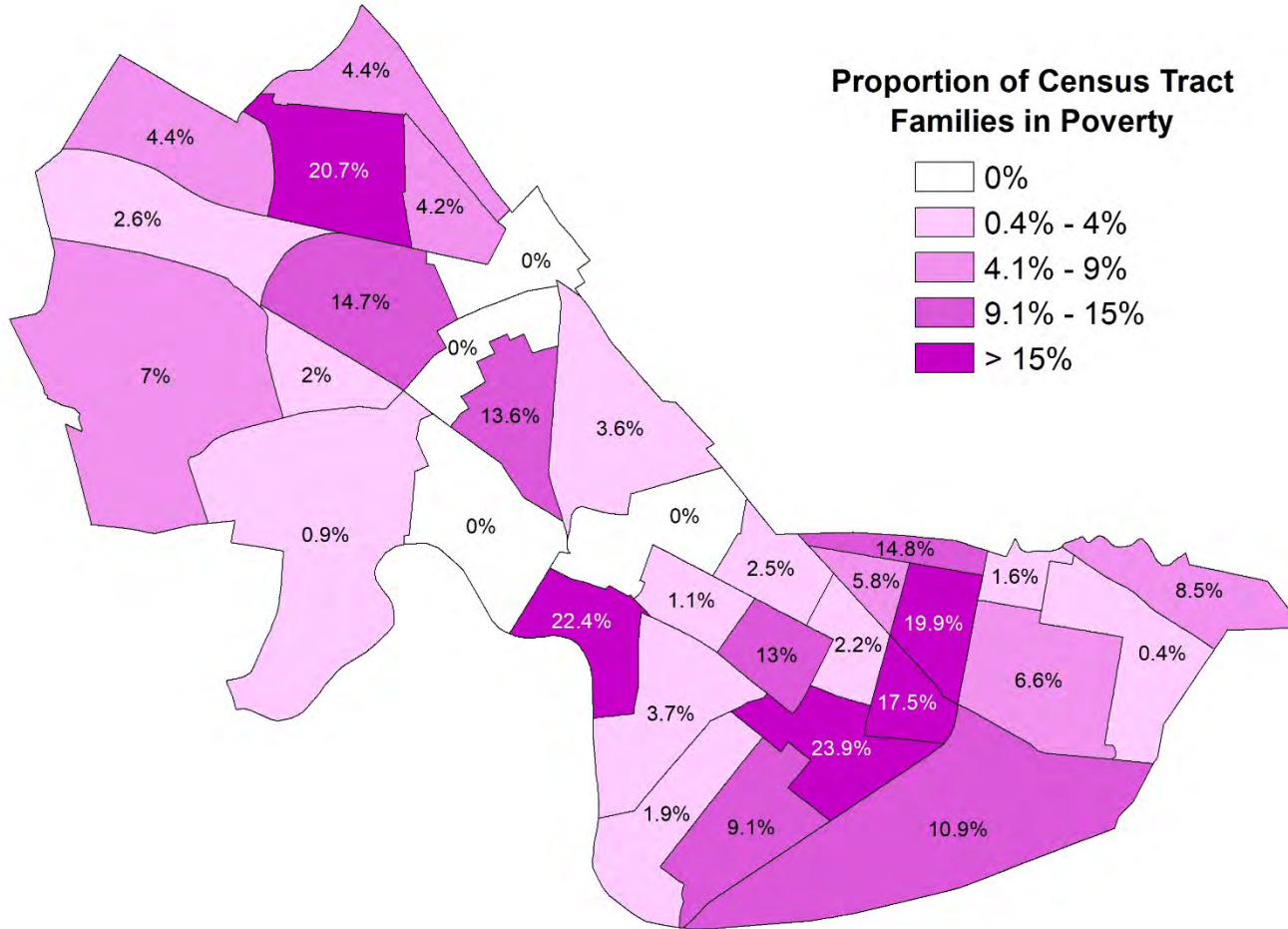
Race and Ethnicity Family Poverty Rates



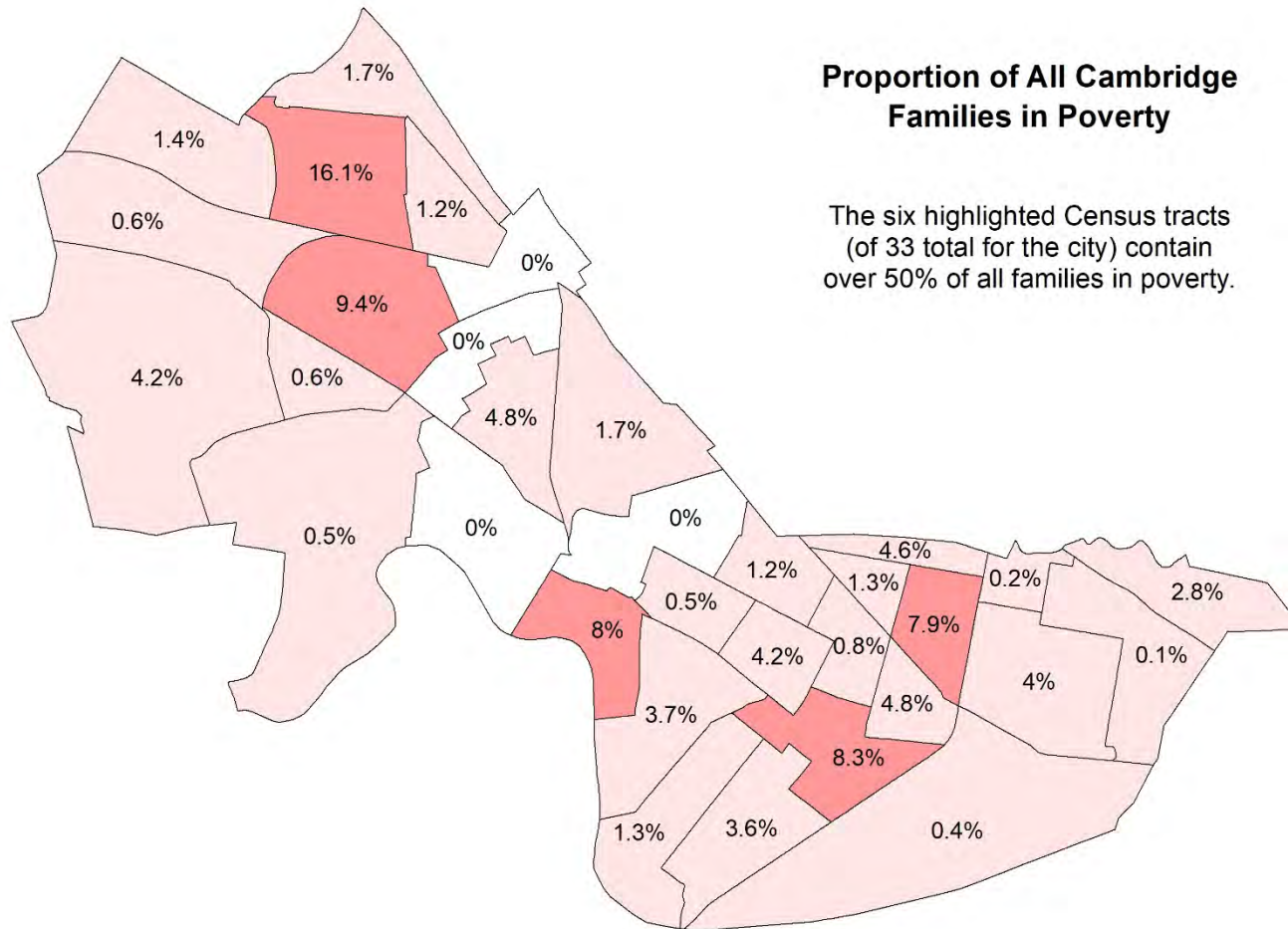
Childhood Poverty



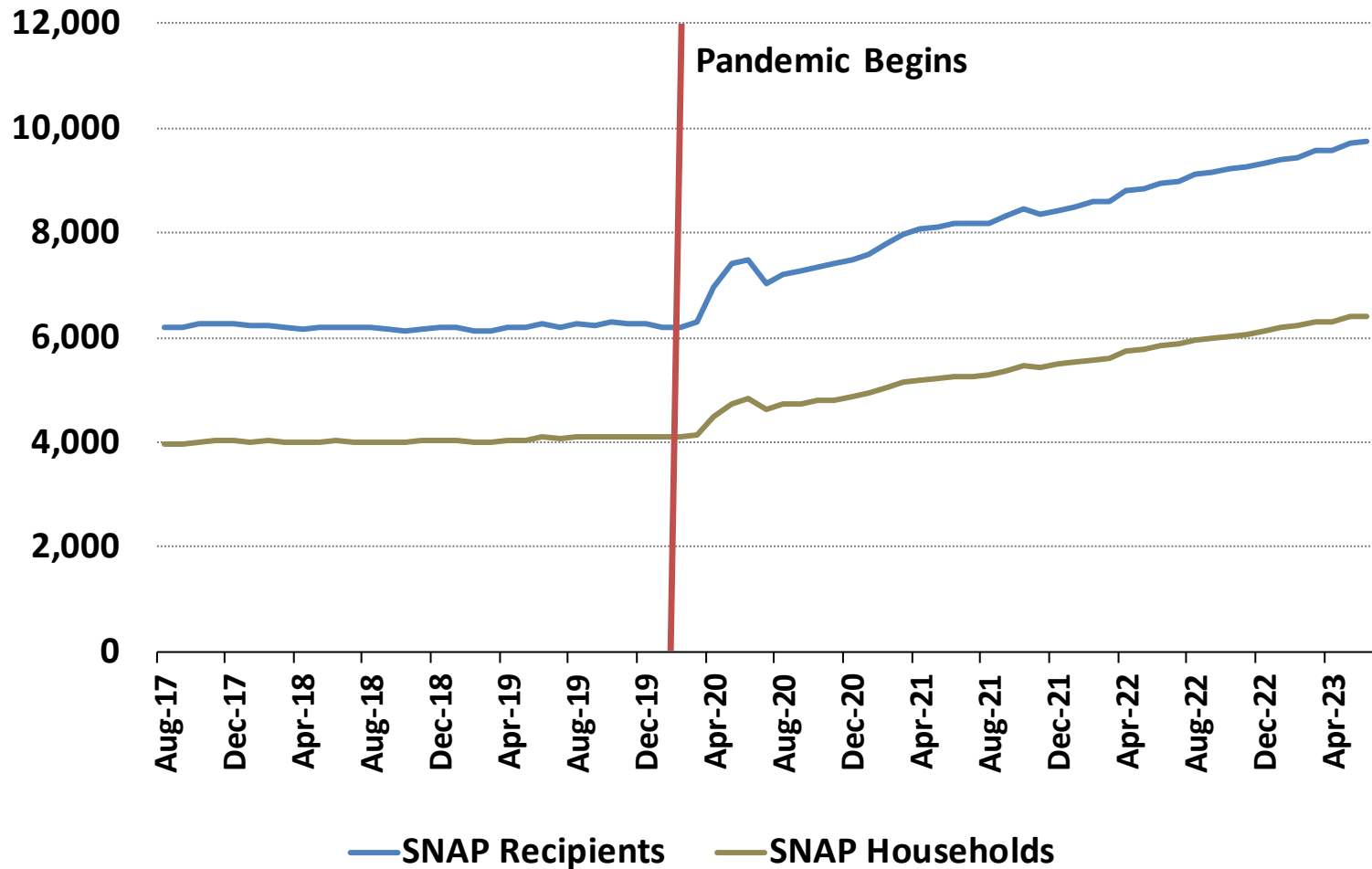
Families under Poverty Level



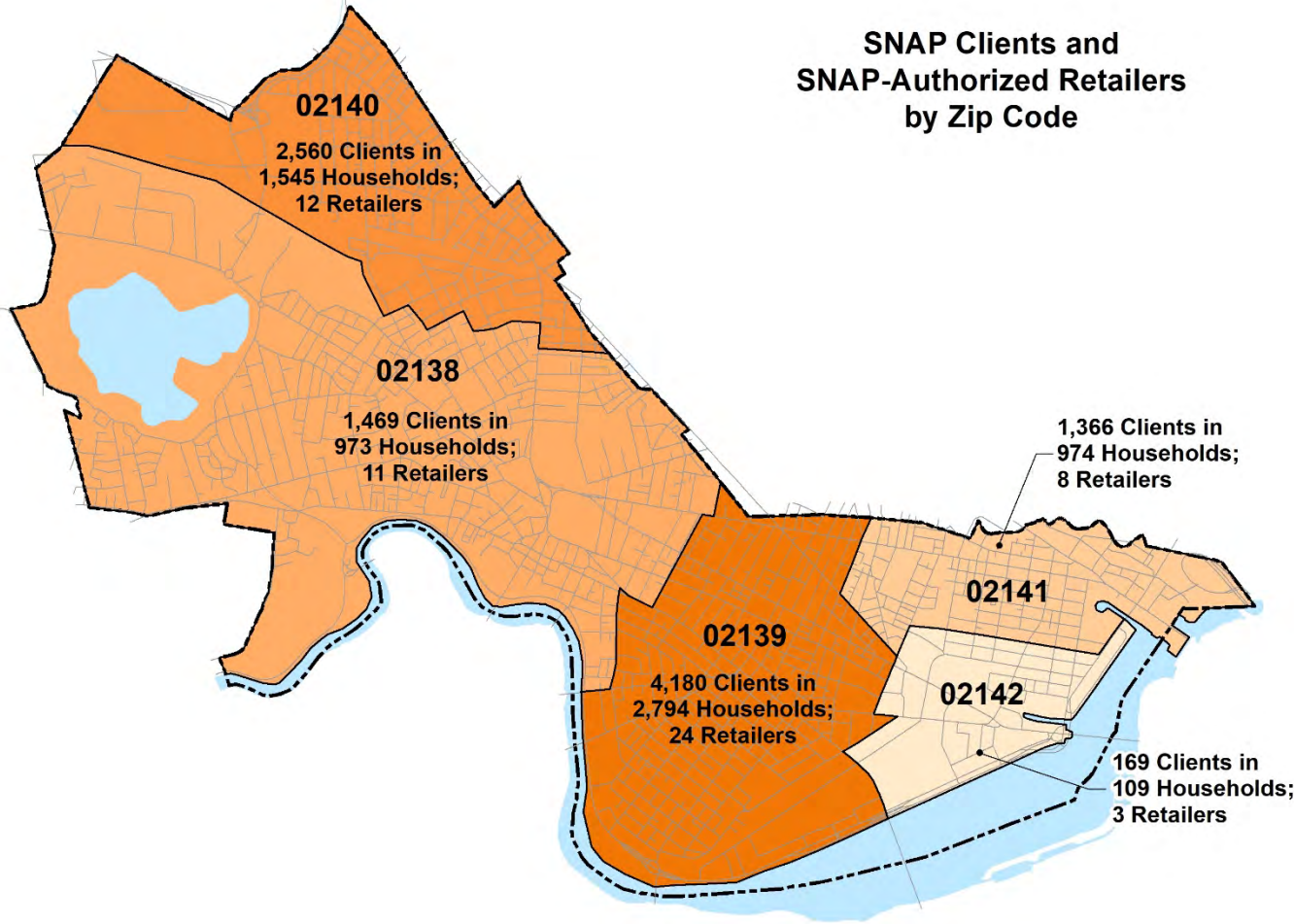
Citywide Share of Families in Poverty



SNAP Recipients and Households

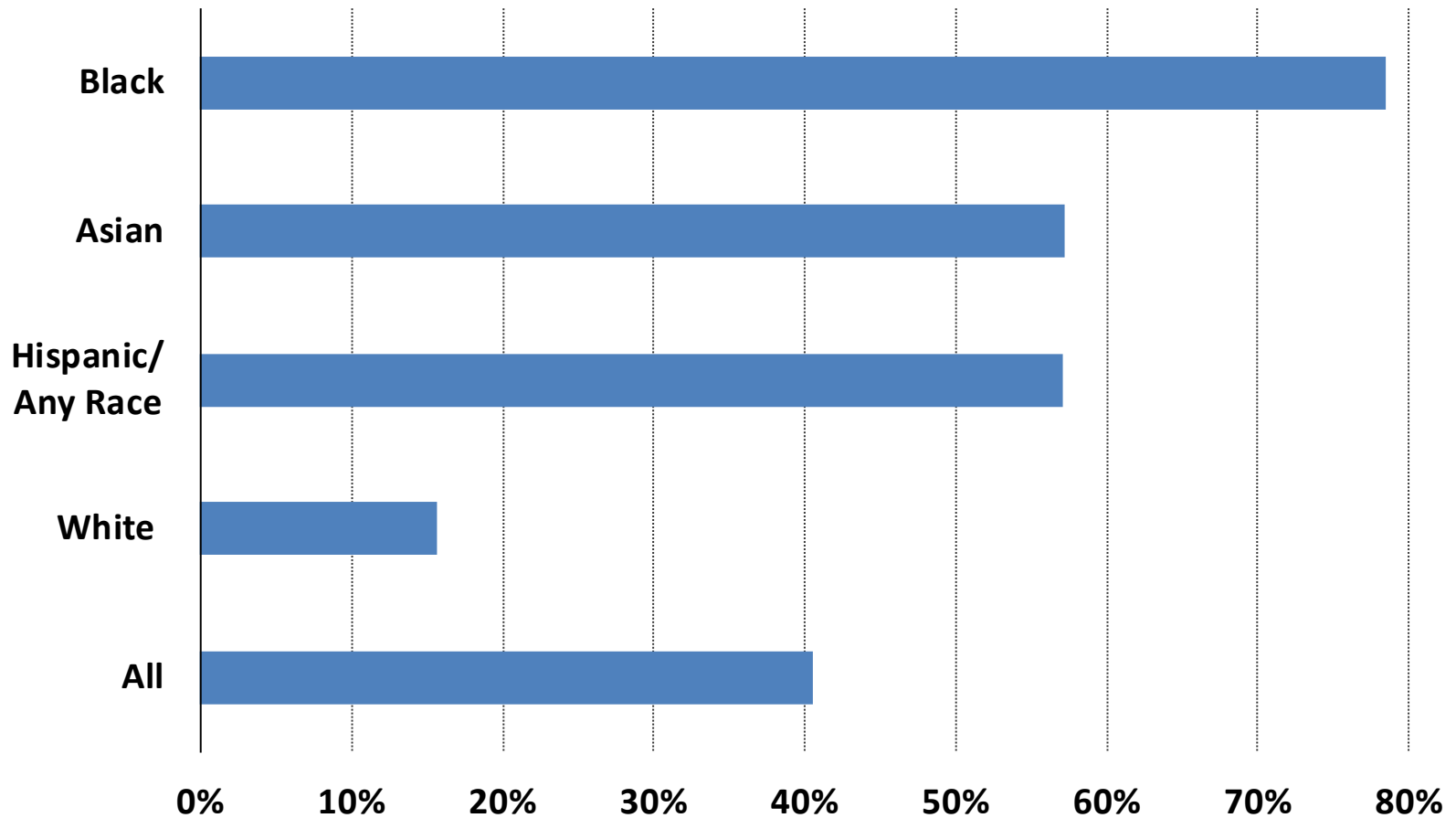


SNAP Usage

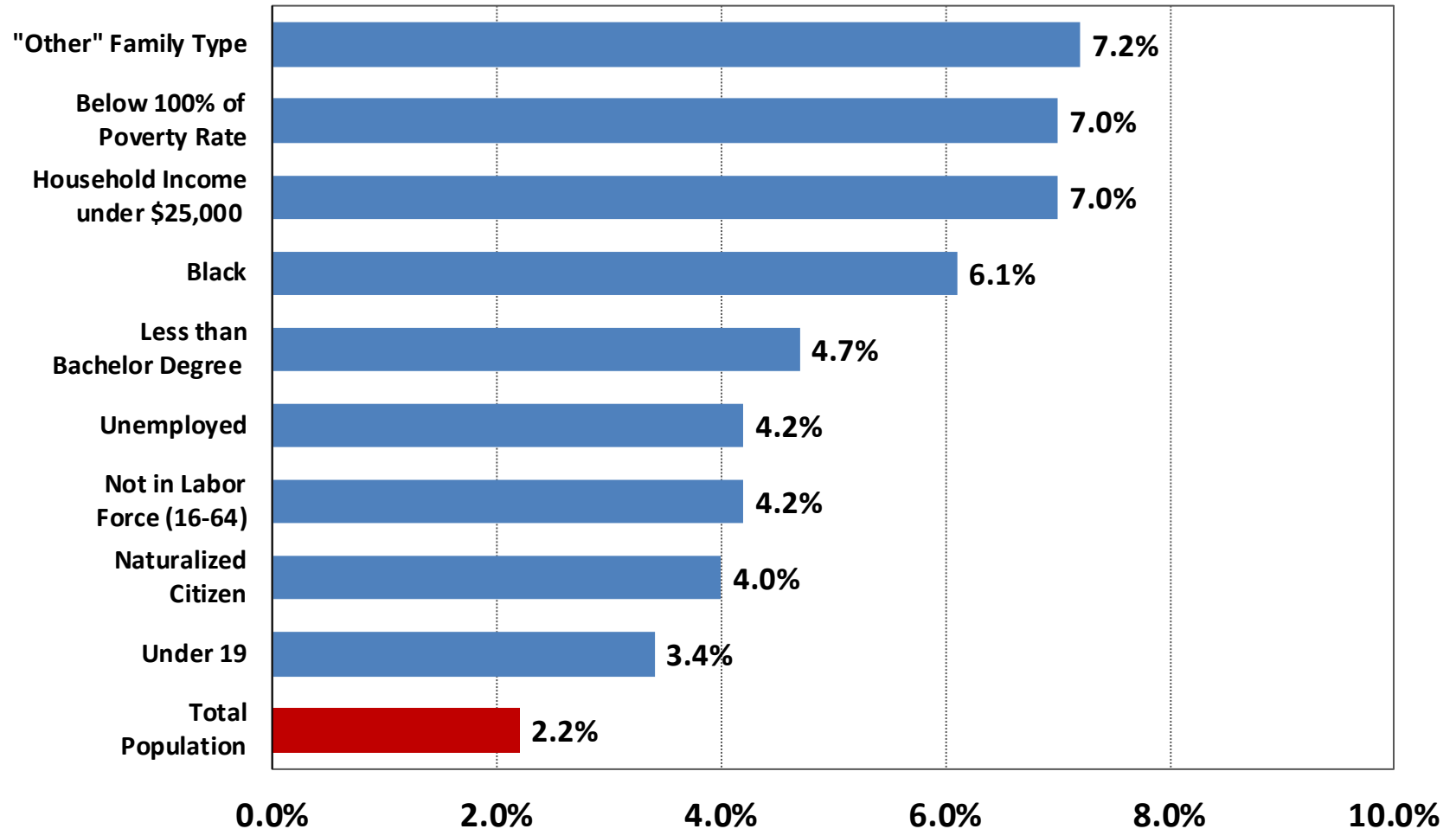


Source: Massachusetts Department of Transitional Assistance, Caseloads July 2023; USDA Food & Nutrition Service, Store Locations, July 2023.

CPS Students Receiving Free or Reduced Cost Lunch



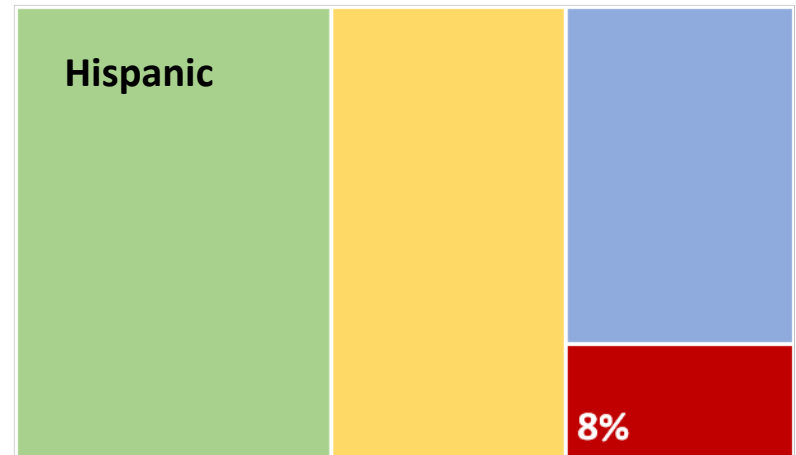
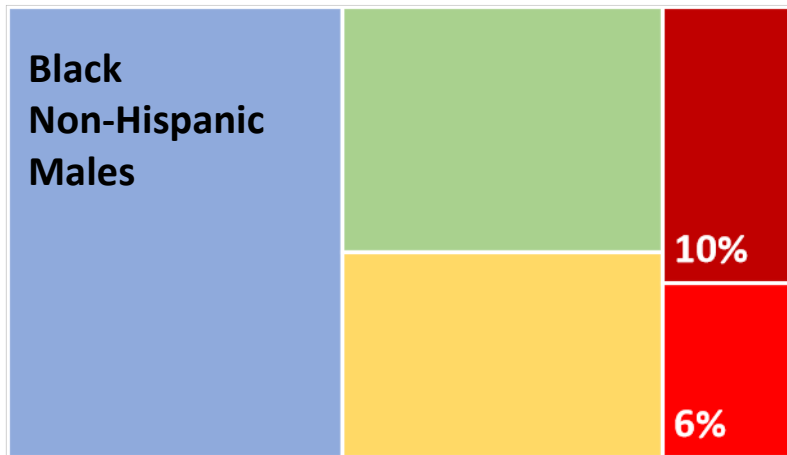
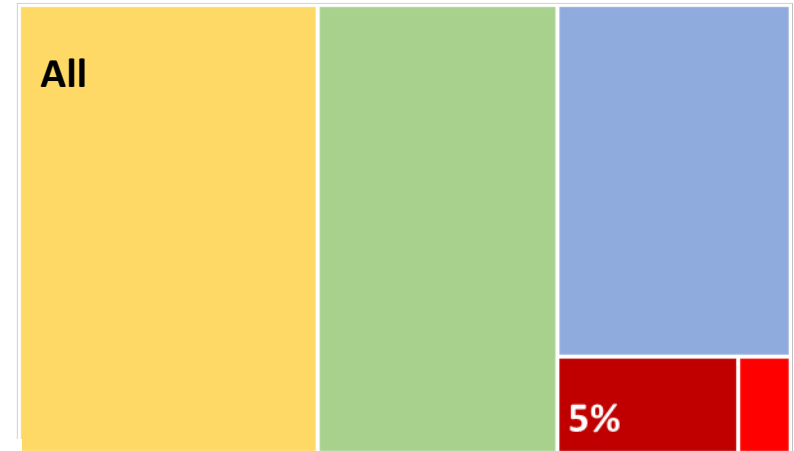
Persons Lacking Health Insurance



Disconnected Youth

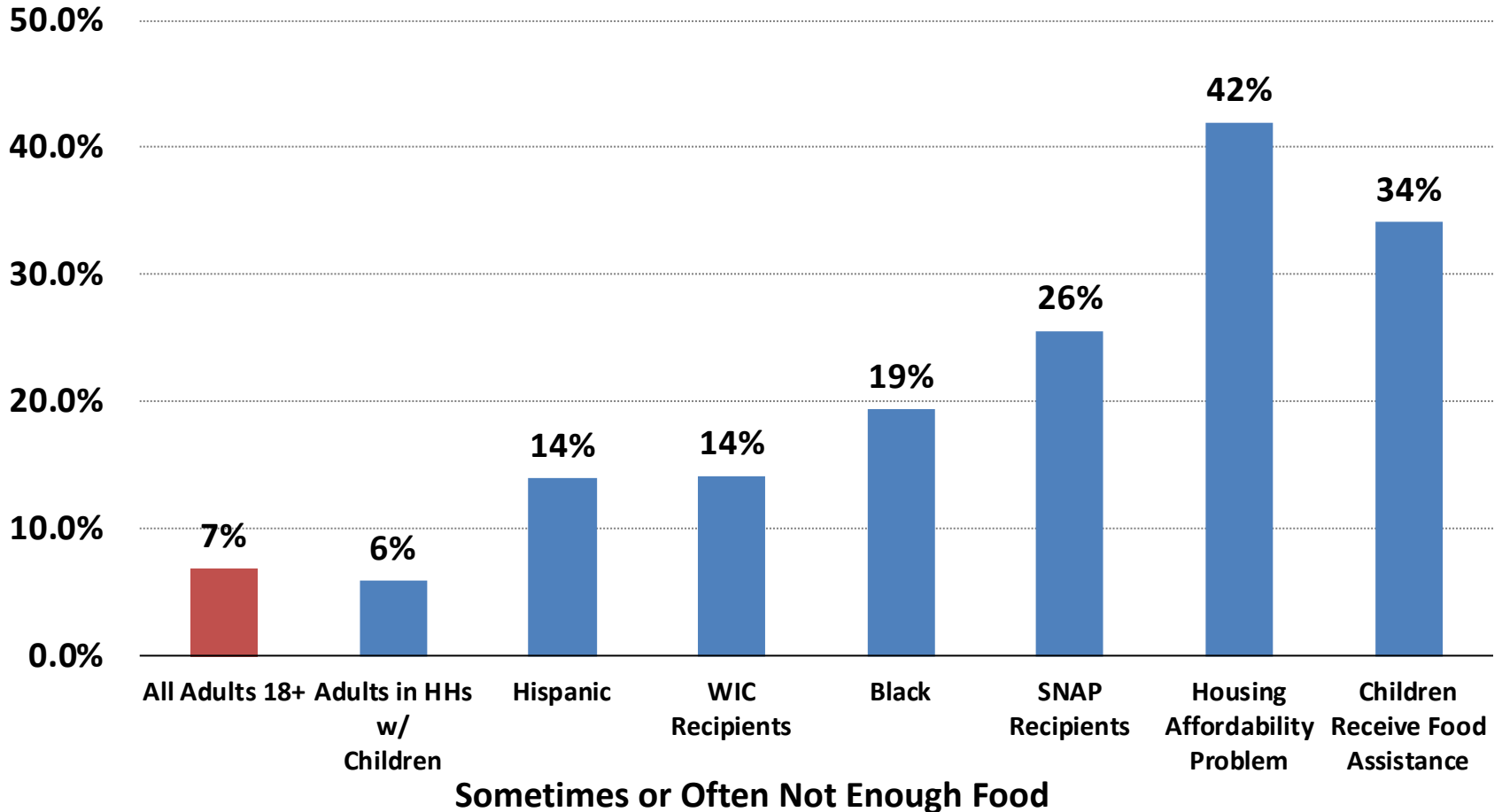
Youth Age 16 - 24
Household Population Only

- In School/Employed
- In School/Unemployed or Not in Labor Force
- Not in School/Employed
- Not in School/Unemployed
- Not in School/Not in Labor Force



Census Pulse Survey: Hunger

All Adults in Households/Boston Metro Area



Census Pulse Survey: Housing

All Adults in Households/Boston Metro Area

