

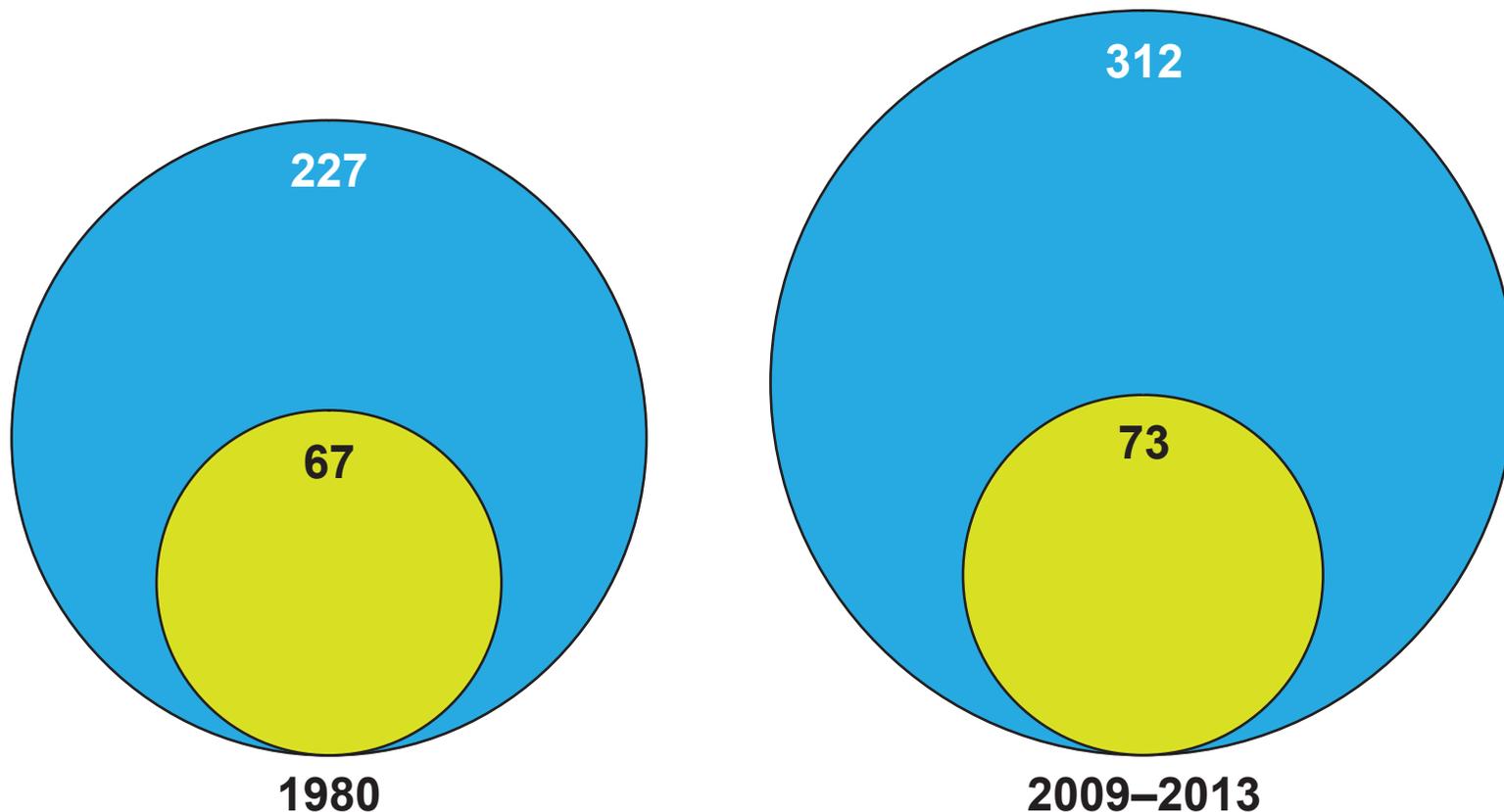
Young Adults, Then and Now

- More Millennials are living in poverty and fewer are employed, compared with Baby Boomers in 1980
- The share of young adults that are racial or ethnic minorities has doubled over the last 30 years
- 1 in 4 young adults speaks a language other than English at home
- Unlike prior generations of young adults, the majority of Millennials have never been married

While the U.S. Population Is Growing, the Share of Young Adults Is Shrinking

In Millions

- U.S. Population
- Young Adults, 18–34



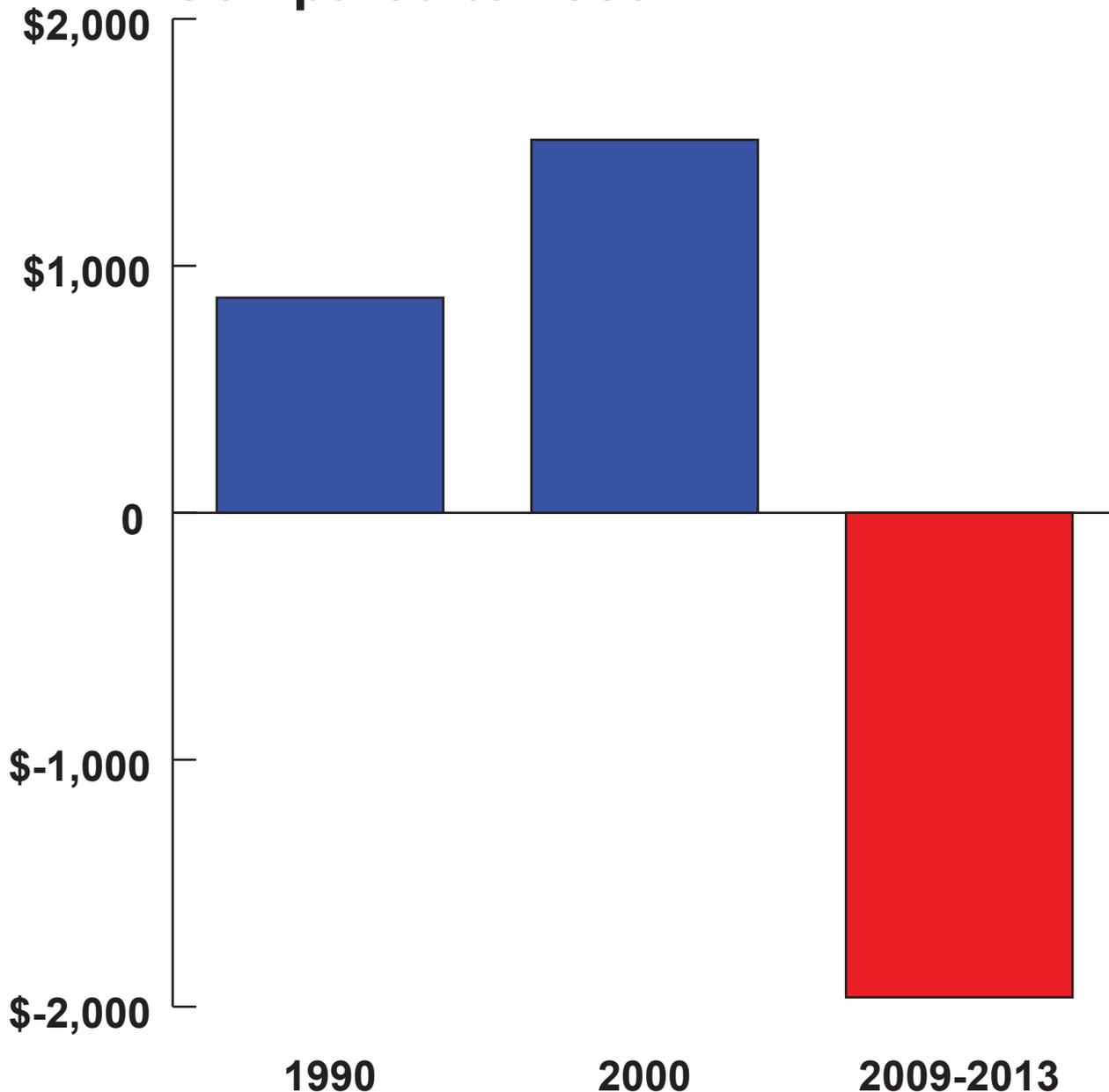
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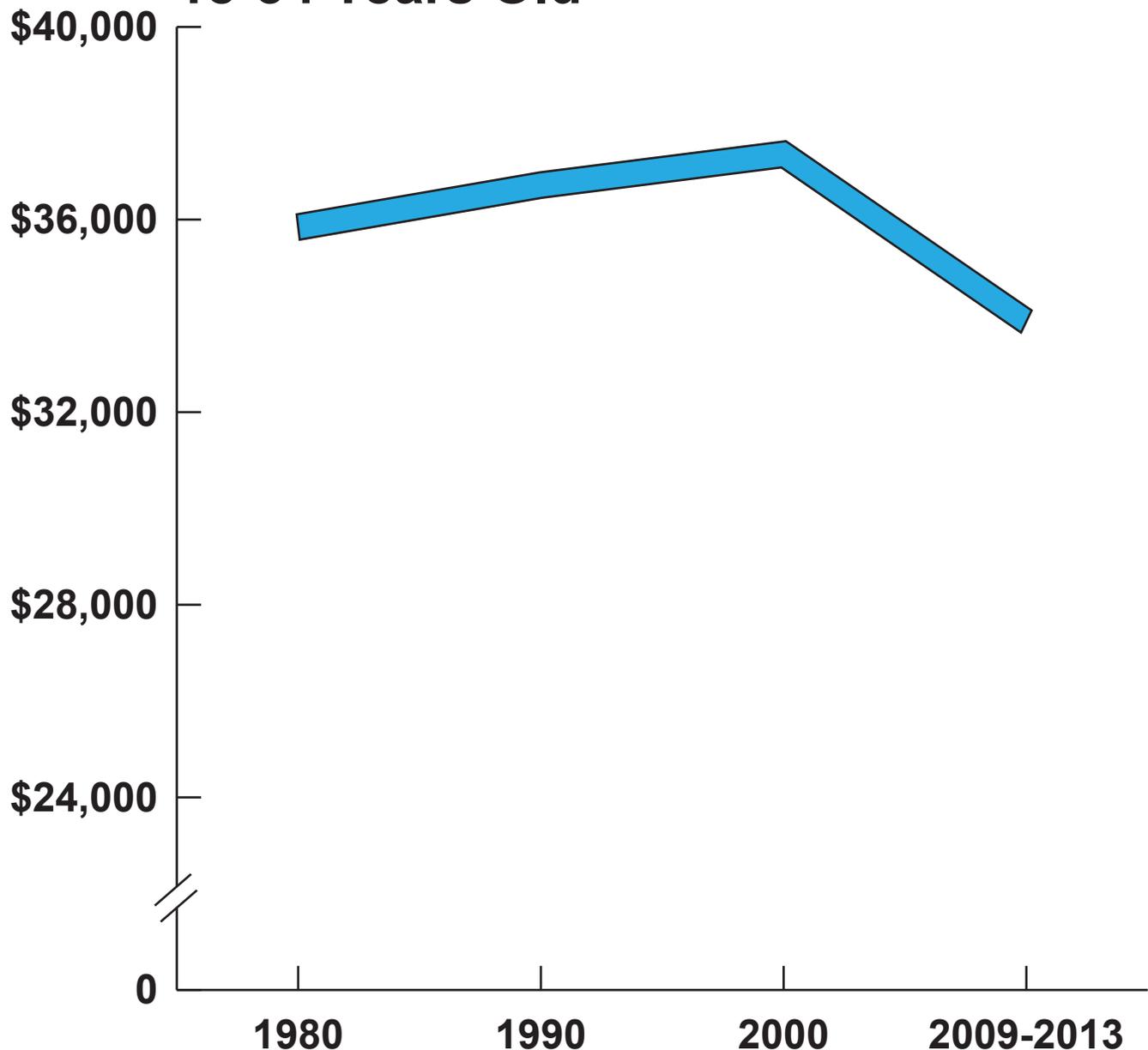
Young Adults Earn \$2,000 Less Today Than Young Adults Did in 1980

Change in Earnings for Full-Time Workers, Compared to 1980



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Median Earnings for Full-Time Workers, 18-34 Years Old

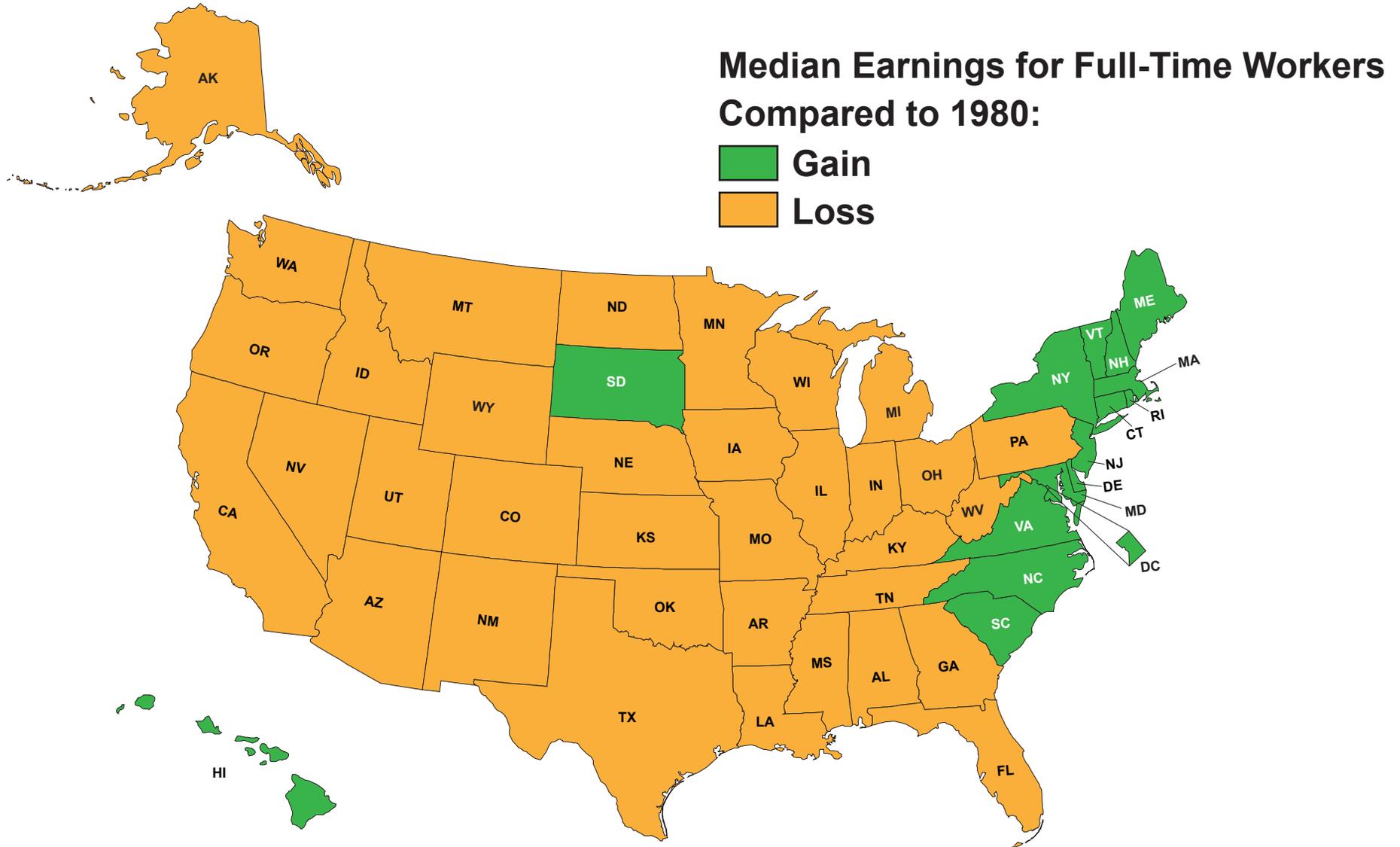


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How Young Adult Earnings Compared to 1980



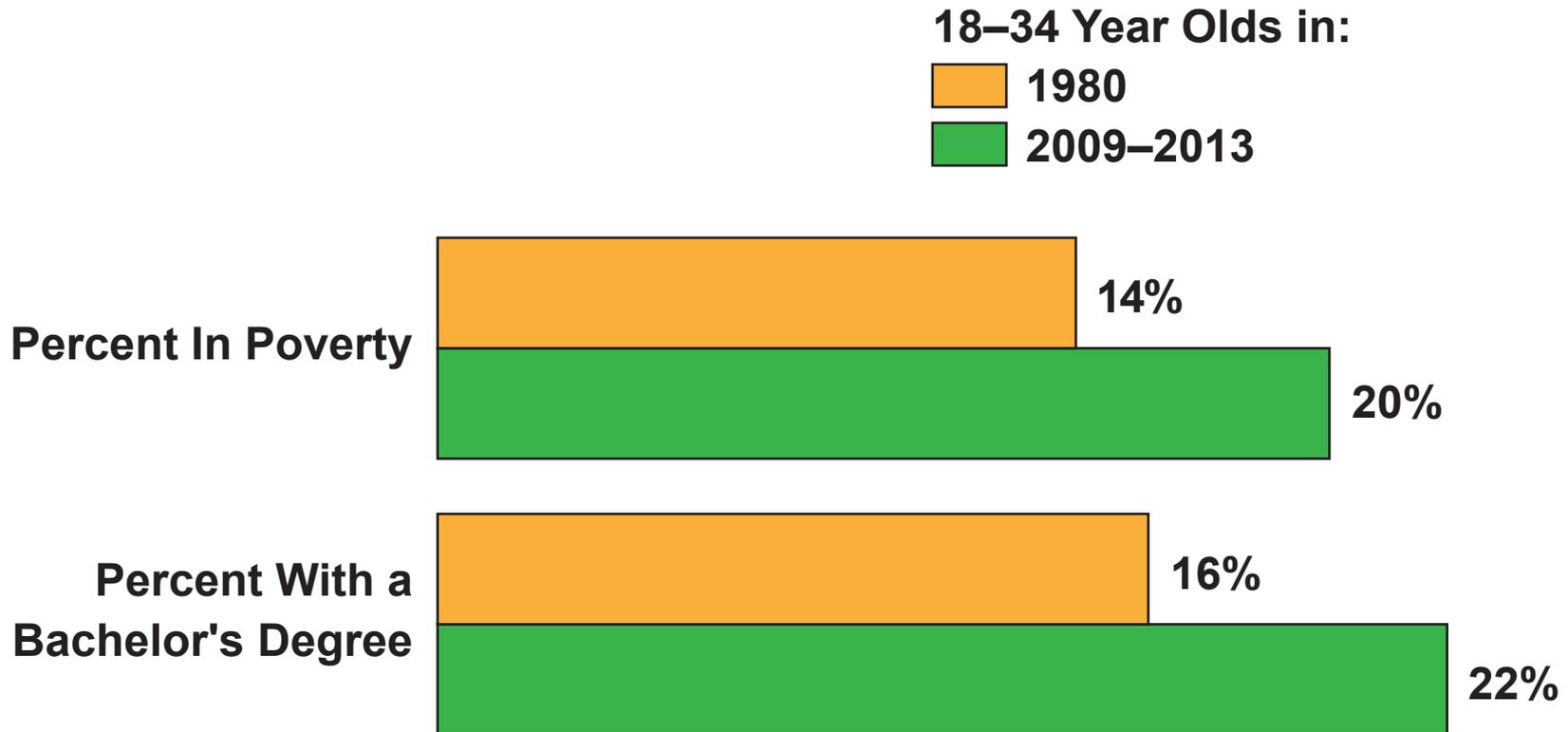
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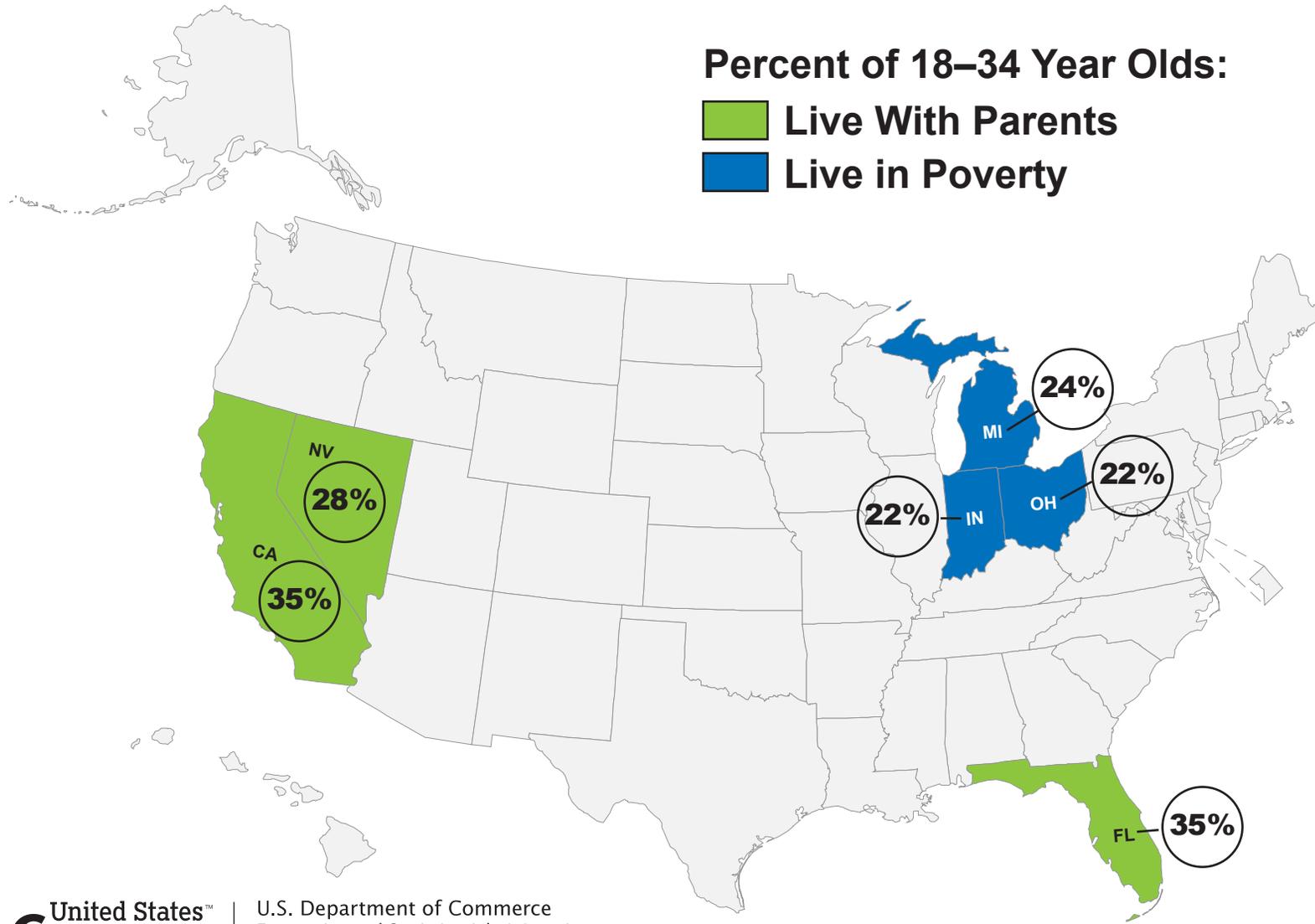
Note: Some states do not significantly differ from others.

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Young Adults Today Are More Likely to Have a College Degree, But More Also Live in Poverty



Living in Poverty or With Parents (States That Experienced Some of the Largest Growth in Poverty or Living With Parents Since 2000)

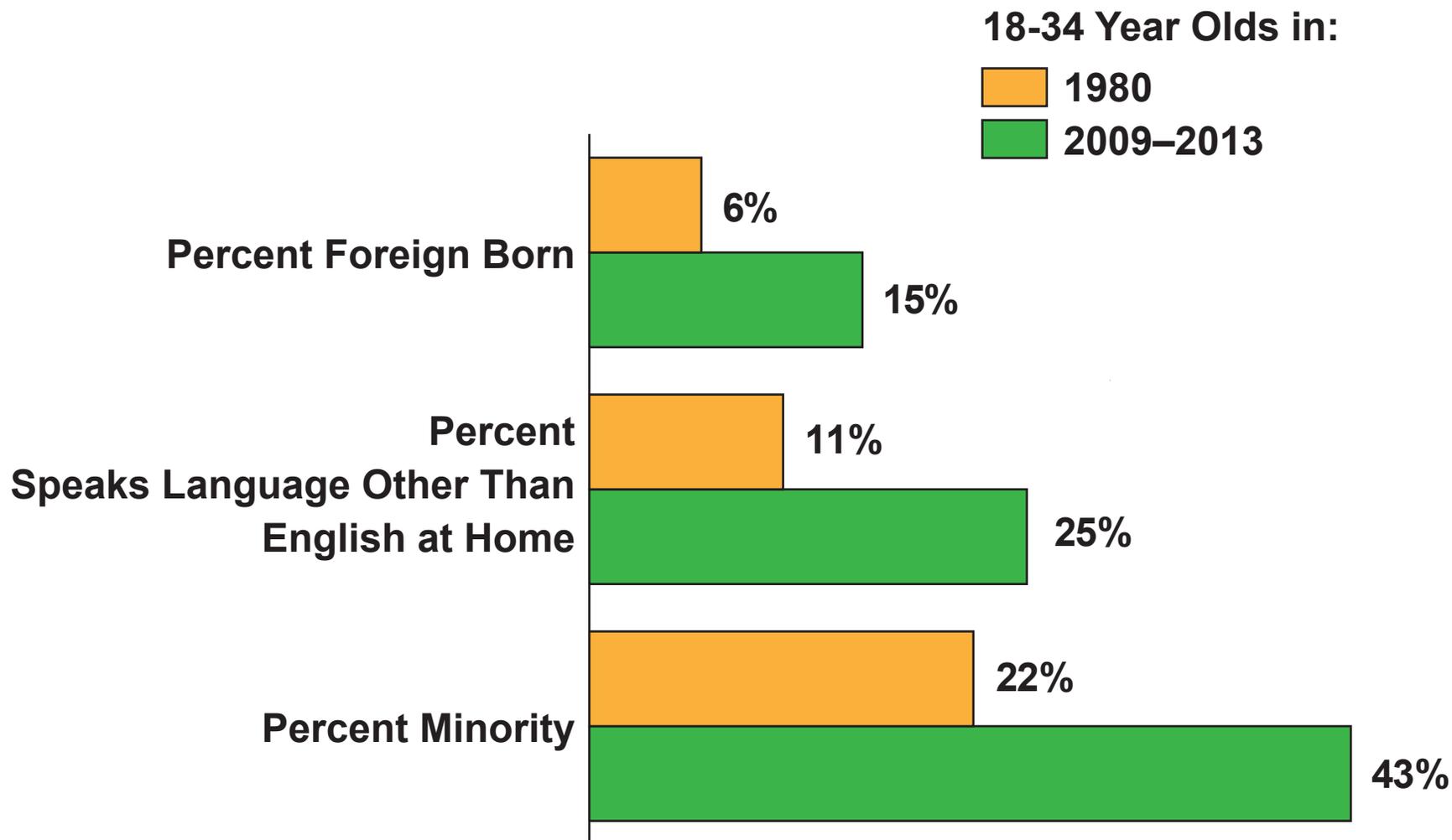


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Fewer Young Adults Today Are White, Speak Only English at Home, or Were Born in the US



Today, More Young Adults Live With Parents and Are Never Married

Percent of 18–34 Year Olds in:

