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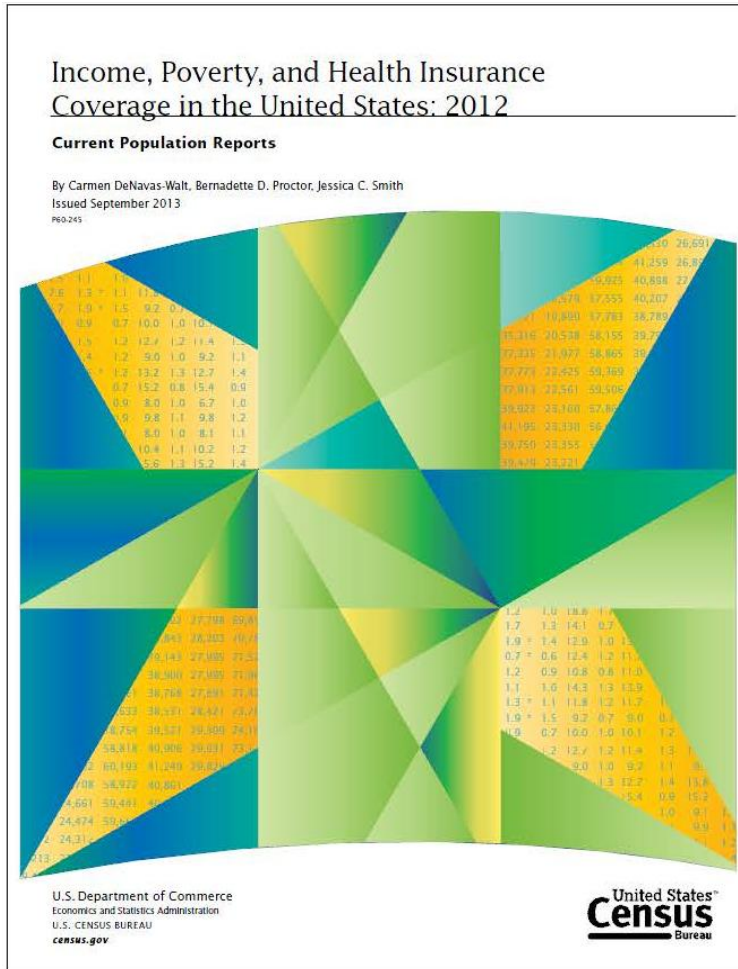
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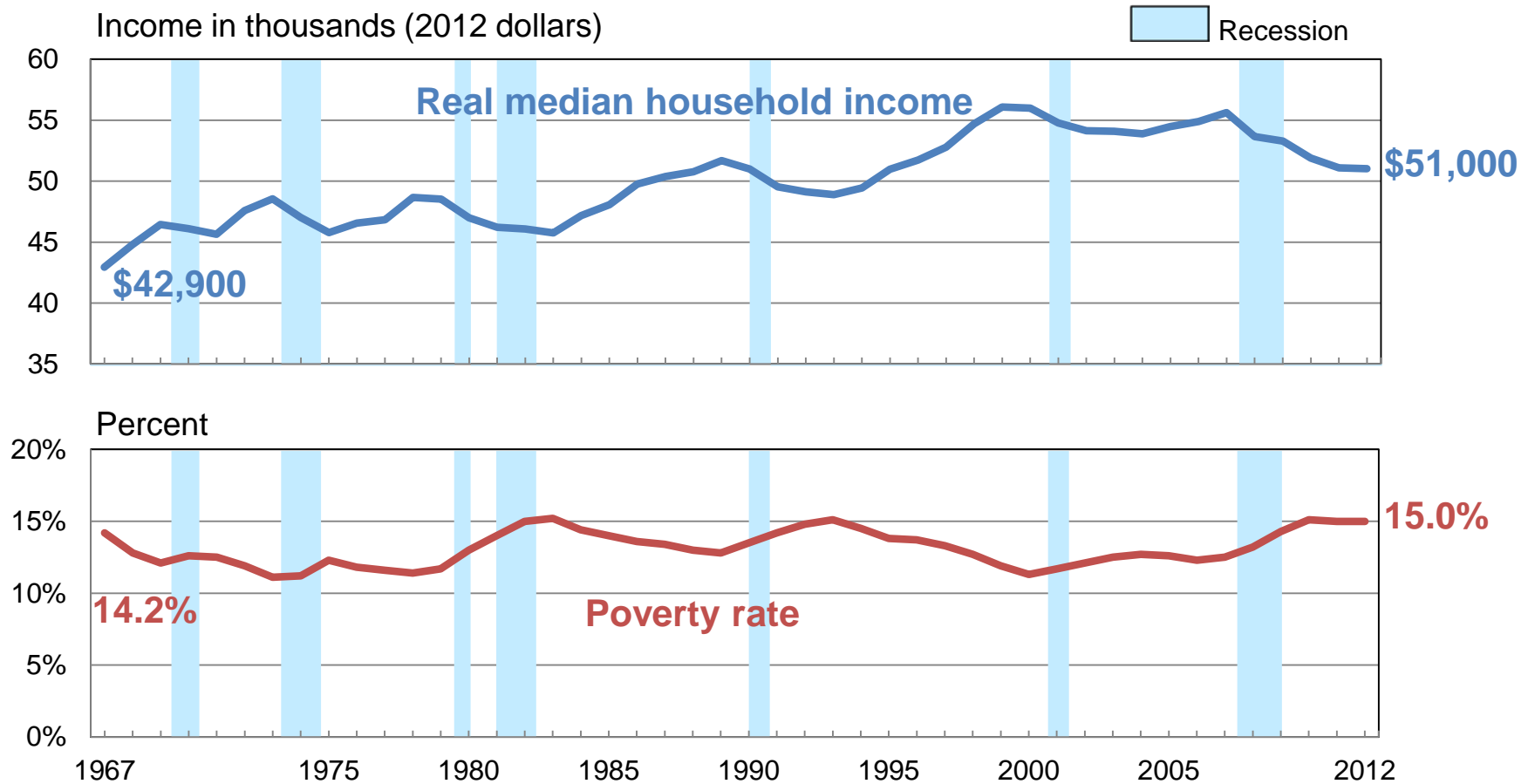
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Highlights

- Median household money income for the nation was \$51,000 in 2012, not statistically different from 2011, in real terms.
- The 2012 official poverty rate for the nation was 15.0 percent and there were 46.5 million people in poverty, not statistically different from last year.
- The percentage of people without health insurance coverage decreased in 2012 to 15.4 percent from 15.7 percent in 2011. The number of uninsured was not statistically different from 2011, at 48.0 million.

Real Median Household Income and Poverty Rate: 1967 to 2012



Real Median Household Income and Poverty Rate: 1967 to 2012

(Income in 2012 CPI-U-RS adjusted dollars, Rates in percent)

Year	Median household income	Poverty rate	Year	Median household income	Poverty rate
1967	42,934	14.2	1990	50,994	13.5
1968	44,785	12.8	1991	49,529	14.2
1969	46,449	12.1	1992 ¹	49,122	14.8
1970	46,089	12.6	1993	48,884	15.1
1971	45,641	12.5	1994	49,429	14.5
1972	47,596	11.9	1995	50,978	13.8
1973	48,557	11.1	1996	51,720	13.7
1974	47,019	11.2	1997	52,784	13.3
1975	45,788	12.3	1998	54,702	12.7
1976	46,548	11.8	1999 ²	56,080	11.9
1977	46,842	11.6	2000 ²	55,987	11.3
1978	48,655	11.4	2001	54,766	11.7
1979	48,520	11.7	2002	54,127	12.1
1980	46,985	13.0	2003	54,079	12.5
1981	46,205	14.0	2004 ³	53,891	12.7
1982	46,082	15.0	2005	54,486	12.6
1983	45,760	15.2	2006	54,892	12.3
1984	47,181	14.4	2007	55,627	12.5
1985	48,063	14.0	2008	53,644	13.2
1986	49,764	13.6	2009	53,285	14.3
1987	50,389	13.4	2010 ⁴	51,892	15.1
1988	50,776	13.0	2011	51,100	15.0
1989	51,681	12.8	2012	51,017	15.0

¹Data for 1992 reflect 1990 Census population controls.

²Data for 1999 and 2000 consistent with 2001 data through implementation of Census 2000-based population controls and a 28,000 household sample expansion.

³CPS 2005 ASEC file (2004 data) was corrected after the release of the 2004 Income, Poverty and Health Insurance report due to adjustments to the weights.

⁴Consistent with 2011 data through implementation of Census 2010-based population controls.

Note: For changes in survey and income data processing methodology, see footnotes in Appendix Table A-1 of the report *Income, Poverty, and Health Insurance Coverage in the United States: 2012*, U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Reports, P60-245.

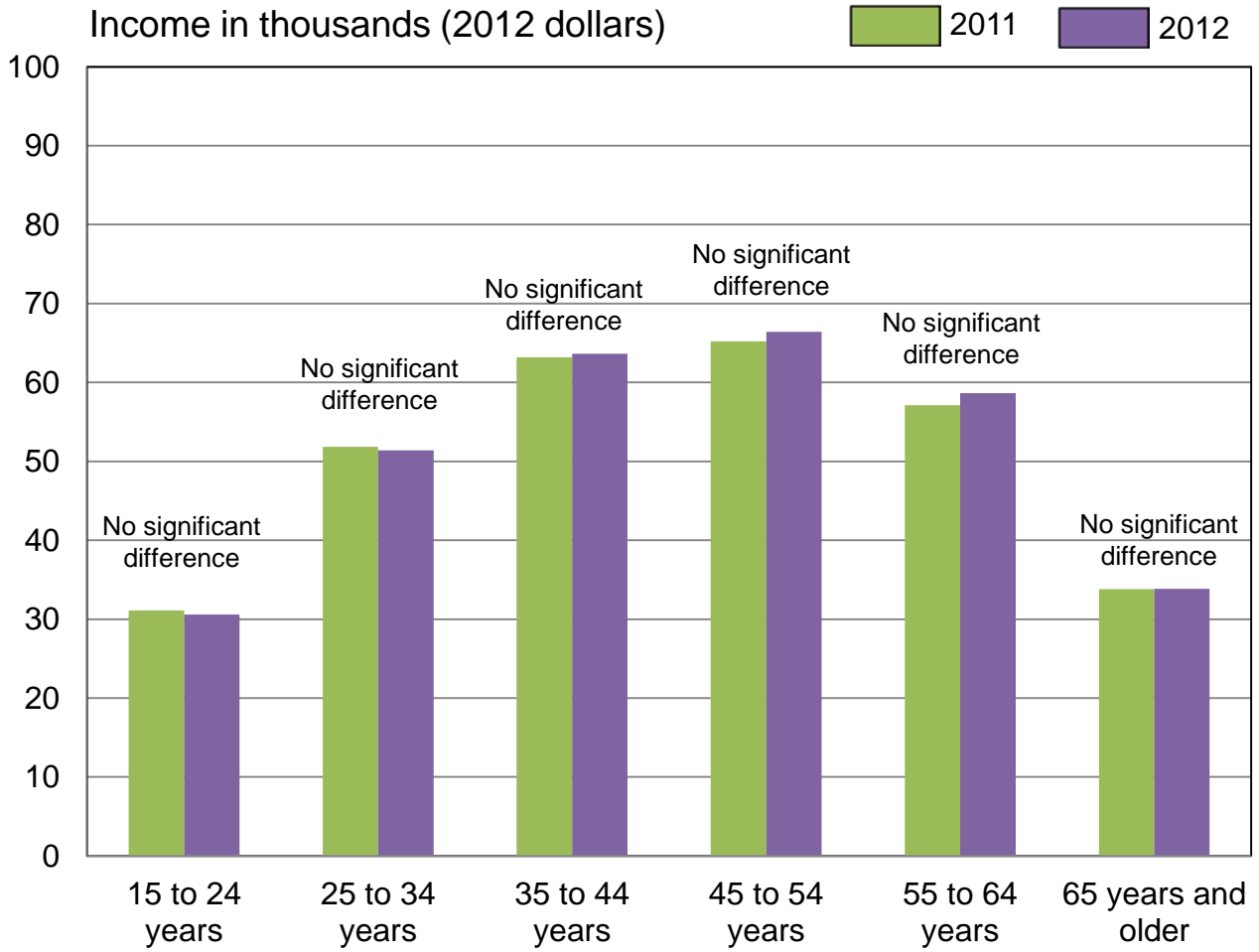
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Recessions

Peak month	Year	Trough month	Year
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December	1969	November	1970
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January	1980	July	1980
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Real Median Household Income by Age of Householder: 2011 and 2012



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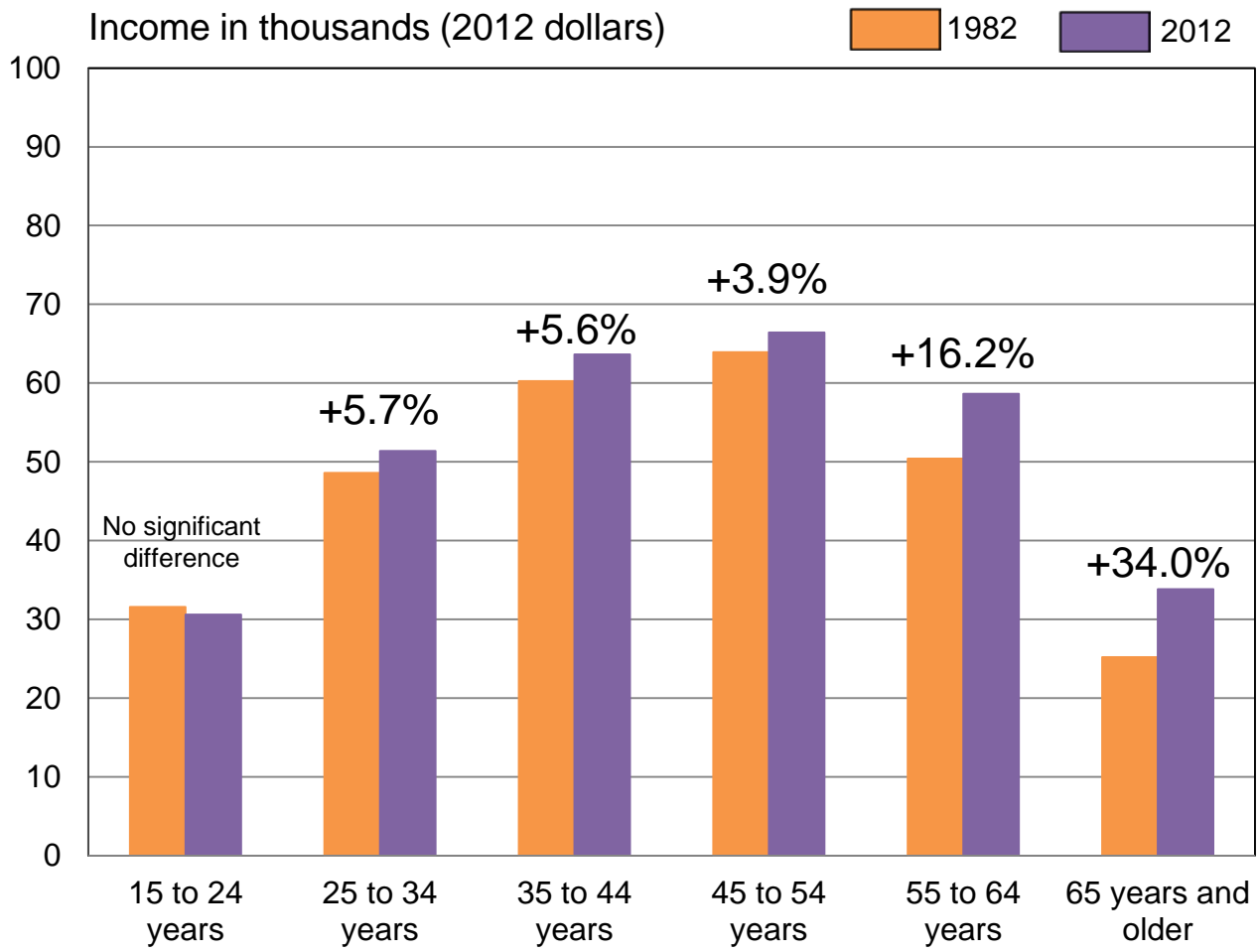
(Income in 2012 CPI-U-RS adjusted dollars)

Characteristic	2011	2012	Percentage change* (2012 less 2011)
15 to 24 years	31,096	30,604	-1.6%
25 to 34 years	51,835	51,381	-0.9%
35 to 44 years	63,209	63,629	0.7%
45 to 54 years	65,195	66,411	1.9%
55 to 64 years	57,105	58,626	2.7%
65 years and older	33,810	33,848	0.1%

*An asterisk preceding an estimate indicates change is statistically different from zero at the 90 percent confidence level.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Survey, 2012 and 2013 Annual Social and Economic Supplements. For information on confidentiality protection, sampling error, nonsampling error, and definitions, see <www.census.gov/prod/techdoc/cps/cpsmar13.pdf>.

Real Median Household Income by Age of Householder: 1982 and 2012



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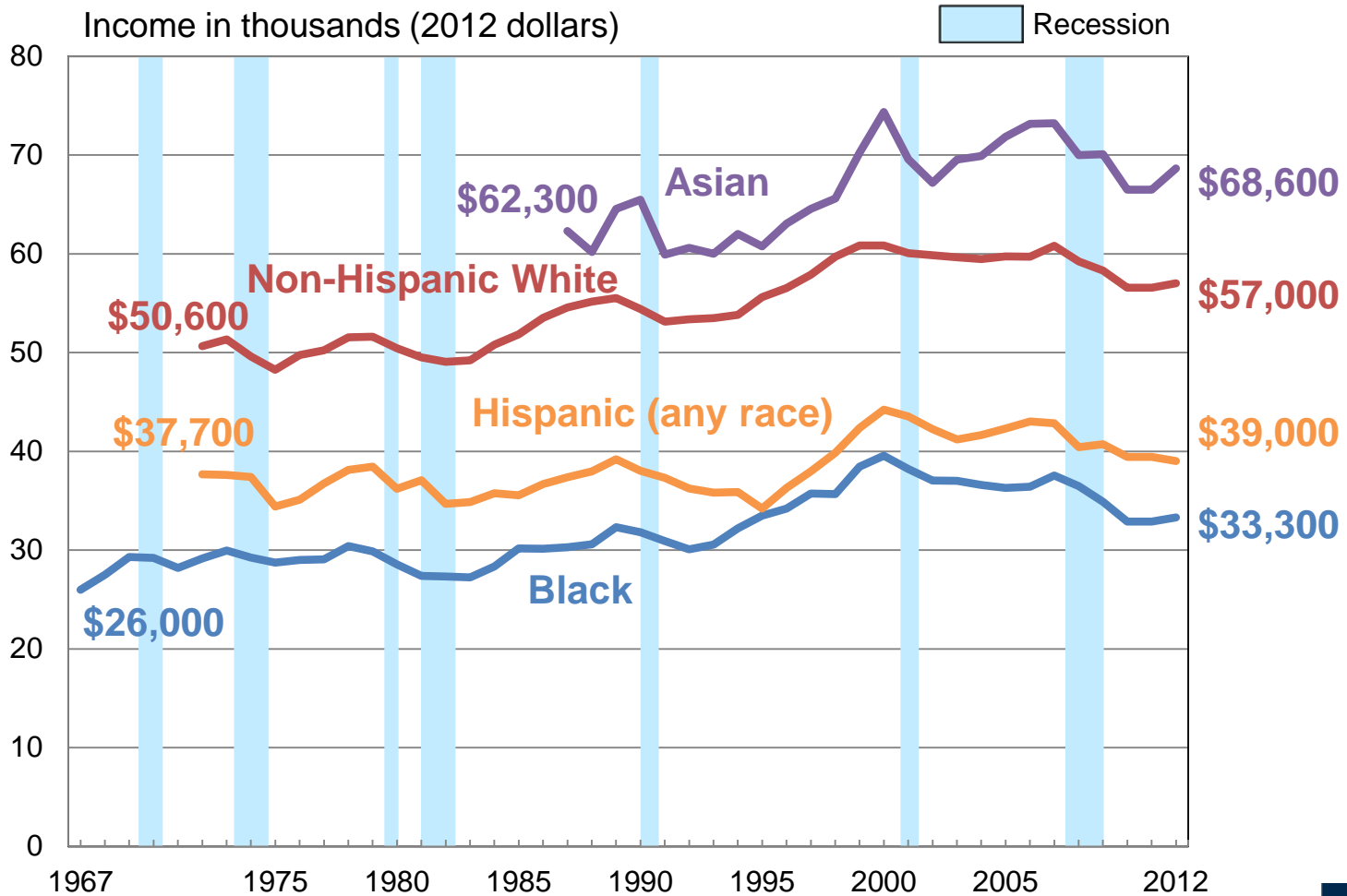
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Characteristic	1982	2012	Percent change * (2012 less 1982)
15 to 24 years	31,563	30,604	-3.0%
25 to 34 years	48,618	51,381	*5.7%
35 to 44 years	60,244	63,629	*5.6%
45 to 54 years	63,933	66,411	*3.9%
55 to 64 years	50,432	58,626	*16.2%
65 years and older	25,224	33,848	*34%

*An asterisk preceding an estimate indicates change is statistically different from zero at the 90 percent confidence level.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Survey, 1983 and 2013 Annual Social and Economic Supplements. For information on confidentiality protection, sampling error, nonsampling error, and definitions, see <www.census.gov/prod/techdoc/cps/cpsmar13.pdf>.

Real Median Household Income by Race and Hispanic Origin of Householder: 1967 to 2012



Real Median Household Income by Race¹ and Hispanic Origin of Householder: 1967 to 2012

(Income in 2012 CPI-U-RS adjusted dollars)

Years	All races	White	White, not Hispanic	Black	Asian	Hispanic (any race)
1967	42,934	44,774	(NA)	25,996	(NA)	(NA)
1968	44,785	46,630	(NA)	27,497	(NA)	(NA)
1969	46,449	48,476	(NA)	29,302	(NA)	(NA)
1970	46,089	48,005	(NA)	29,219	(NA)	(NA)
1971	45,641	47,739	(NA)	28,199	(NA)	(NA)
1972	47,596	49,932	50,644	29,145	(NA)	37,681
1973	48,557	50,889	51,338	29,955	(NA)	37,619
1974	47,019	49,173	49,593	29,244	(NA)	37,399
1975	45,788	47,883	48,244	28,745	(NA)	34,399
1976	46,548	48,760	49,754	28,994	(NA)	35,111
1977	46,842	49,258	50,235	29,068	(NA)	36,747
1978	48,655	50,580	51,533	30,396	(NA)	38,122
1979	48,520	50,872	51,588	29,868	(NA)	38,442
1980	46,985	49,569	50,447	28,557	(NA)	36,217
1981	46,205	48,819	49,524	27,395	(NA)	37,063
1982	46,082	48,243	49,052	27,342	(NA)	34,675
1983	45,760	47,988	49,222	27,232	(NA)	34,851
1984	47,181	49,774	50,807	28,355	(NA)	35,766
1985	48,063	50,688	51,827	30,157	(NA)	35,541
1986	49,764	52,319	53,508	30,142	(NA)	36,682
1987	50,389	53,090	54,549	30,302	62,309	37,386
1988	50,776	53,678	55,157	30,600	60,179	37,970
1989	51,681	54,363	55,533	32,331	64,547	39,193
1990	50,994	53,187	54,403	31,806	65,482	38,029
1991	49,529	51,902	53,141	30,920	59,925	37,306
1992	49,122	51,645	53,378	30,072	60,611	36,233
1993	48,884	51,574	53,472	30,564	60,003	35,810
1994	49,429	52,132	53,814	32,214	62,020	35,882
1995	50,978	53,506	55,619	33,500	60,759	34,199
1996	51,720	54,152	56,521	34,218	63,063	36,293
1997	52,784	55,590	57,879	35,731	64,543	37,982
1998	54,702	57,553	59,701	35,663	65,607	39,853
1999	56,080	58,324	60,849	38,460	70,224	42,368
2000	55,987	58,555	60,831	39,556	74,343	44,224
2001	54,766	57,735	60,054	38,220	69,560	43,531
2002	54,127	57,544	59,859	37,046	67,167	42,250
2003	54,079	56,967	59,646	37,010	69,536	41,194
2004 ²	53,891	56,716	59,454	36,583	69,900	41,659
2005	54,486	57,106	59,729	36,293	71,855	42,302
2006	54,892	57,707	59,700	36,406	73,155	43,025
2007	55,627	57,712	60,818	37,558	73,202	42,833
2008	53,644	55,786	59,218	36,491	69,996	40,431
2009	53,285	55,516	58,299	34,880	70,083	40,720
2010	51,892	54,454	57,351	33,830	67,671	39,629
2011	51,100	53,304	56,570	32,902	66,489	39,430
2012	51,017	53,706	57,009	33,321	68,636	39,005

(NA) Not available.

¹Starting with the 2003 CPS, respondents were allowed to choose more than one race.

This table presents the single-race population for 2002 to 2012. For example White alone refers to people who reported White and did not report any other race category. For 2001 and earlier years, the CPS allowed respondents to report only one race group.

²The 2004 data have been revised to reflect a correction to the weights in the 2005 ASEC.

Note: For changes in survey and data processing methodology, see footnotes in Appendix Table A-1 of the report, *Income, Poverty, and Health Insurance Coverage in the United States: 2012*, U.S. Census Bureau, [Current Population Reports](#), P60-245.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Survey, 1968 through 2013 Annual Social and Economic Supplements.

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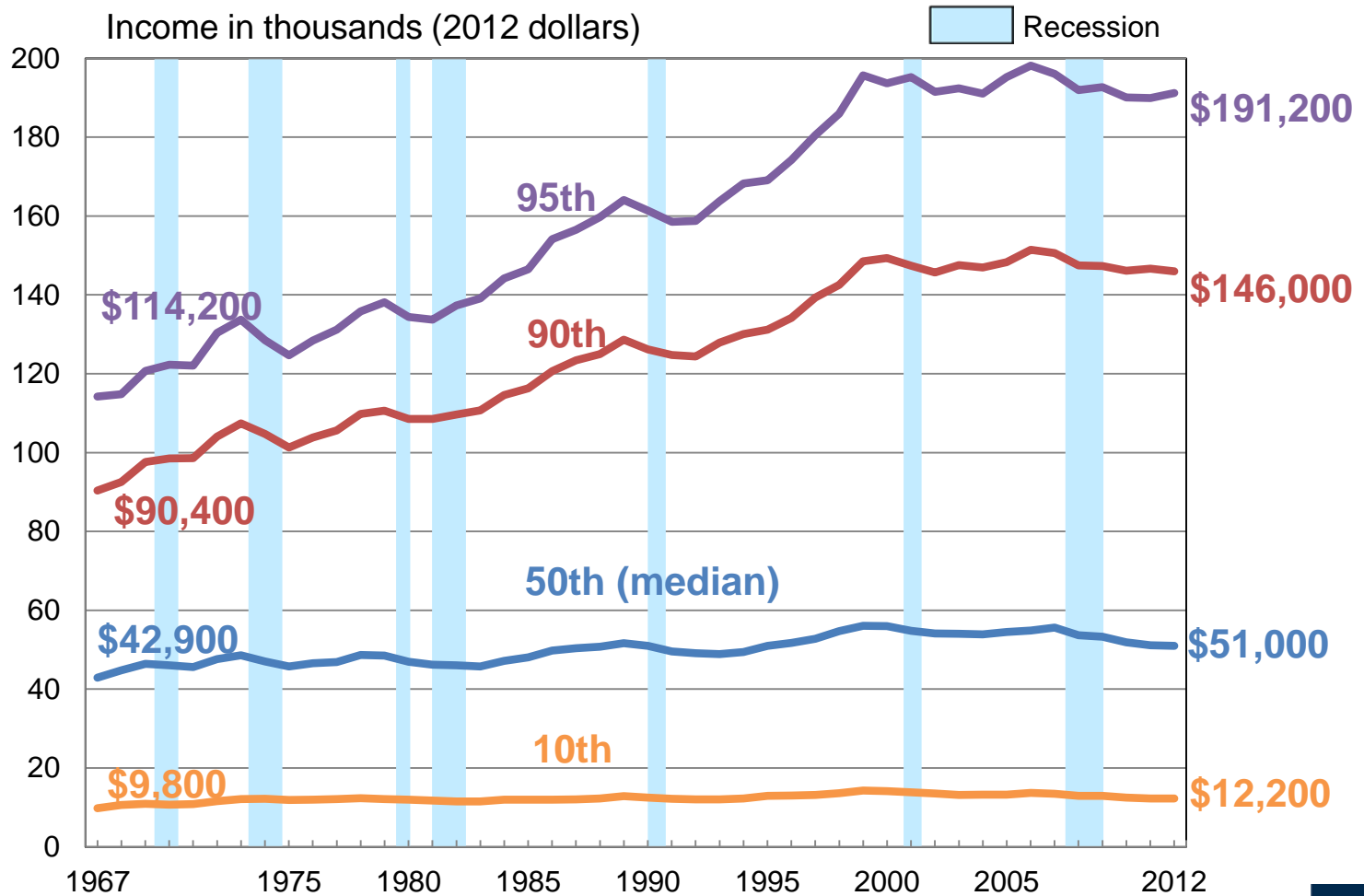
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Real Household Income at Selected Percentiles: 1967 to 2012



Real Household Income at Selected Percentiles: 1967 to 2012

(Income in 2012 CPI-U-RS adjusted dollars)

Year	10th percentile limit	50th (median)	90th percentile limit	95th percentile limit
1967	9,797	42,934	90,401	114,203
1968	10,665	44,785	92,542	114,810
1969	10,941	46,449	97,655	120,705
1970	10,691	46,089	98,548	122,294
1971	10,859	45,641	98,582	122,029
1972	11,579	47,596	104,056	130,340
1973	12,125	48,557	107,396	133,725
1974	12,207	47,019	104,683	128,497
1975	11,874	45,788	101,276	124,671
1976	11,940	46,548	103,839	128,422
1977	12,087	46,842	105,647	131,153
1978	12,335	48,655	109,816	135,833
1979	12,100	48,520	110,648	138,122
1980	11,939	46,985	108,517	134,405
1981	11,773	46,205	108,536	133,717
1982	11,562	46,082	109,665	137,270
1983	11,518	45,760	110,680	139,131
1984	11,991	47,181	114,568	144,184
1985	12,000	48,063	116,317	146,528
1986	11,957	49,764	120,628	154,121
1987	12,059	50,389	123,364	156,473
1988	12,242	50,776	124,958	159,722
1989	12,873	51,681	128,647	164,041
1990	12,466	50,994	126,195	161,359
1991	12,202	49,529	124,757	158,489
1992 ¹	12,026	49,122	124,346	158,771
1993	12,027	48,884	127,903	163,732
1994	12,299	49,429	130,043	168,249
1995	12,979	50,978	131,198	169,049
1996	12,984	51,720	134,137	174,196
1997	13,144	52,784	139,305	180,510
1998	13,646	54,702	142,505	185,972
1999	14,257	56,080	148,520	195,678
2000	14,109	55,987	149,333	193,627
2001	13,859	54,766	147,367	195,186
2002	13,554	54,127	145,642	191,448
2003	13,153	54,079	147,564	192,407
2004 ²	13,257	53,891	146,921	191,030
2005	13,276	54,486	148,300	195,240
2006	13,666	54,892	151,461	198,166
2007	13,468	55,627	150,605	196,008
2008	12,969	53,644	147,485	191,954
2009	12,974	53,285	147,332	192,687
2010	12,491	51,892	146,145	190,067
2011	12,251	51,100	146,611	189,886
2012	12,236	51,017	146,000	191,156

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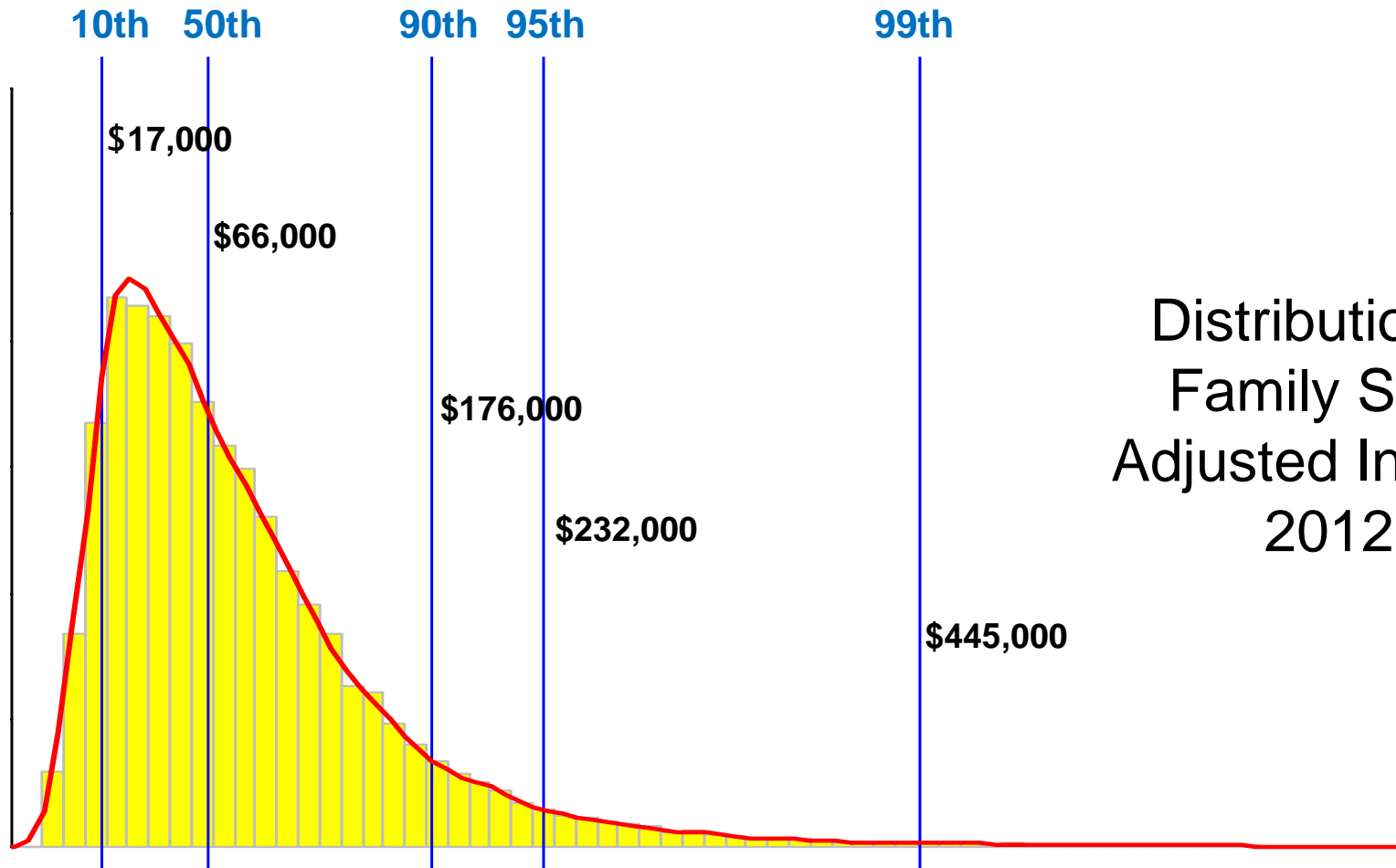
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¹Change in data collection methodology suggests pre-1993 and post-1992 estimates are not comparable. (See Current Population Reports, "The Changing Shape of the Nation's Income Distribution: 1947-1998," P60-204, for more details.)

²The 2004 data have been revised to reflect a correction to the weights in the 2005 ASEC.

Note: For changes in survey and data processing methodology, see footnotes in Appendix Table A-2 of the report, *Income, Poverty, and Health Insurance Coverage in the United States: 2012*, U. S. Census Bureau, [Current Population Reports](#), P60-243.

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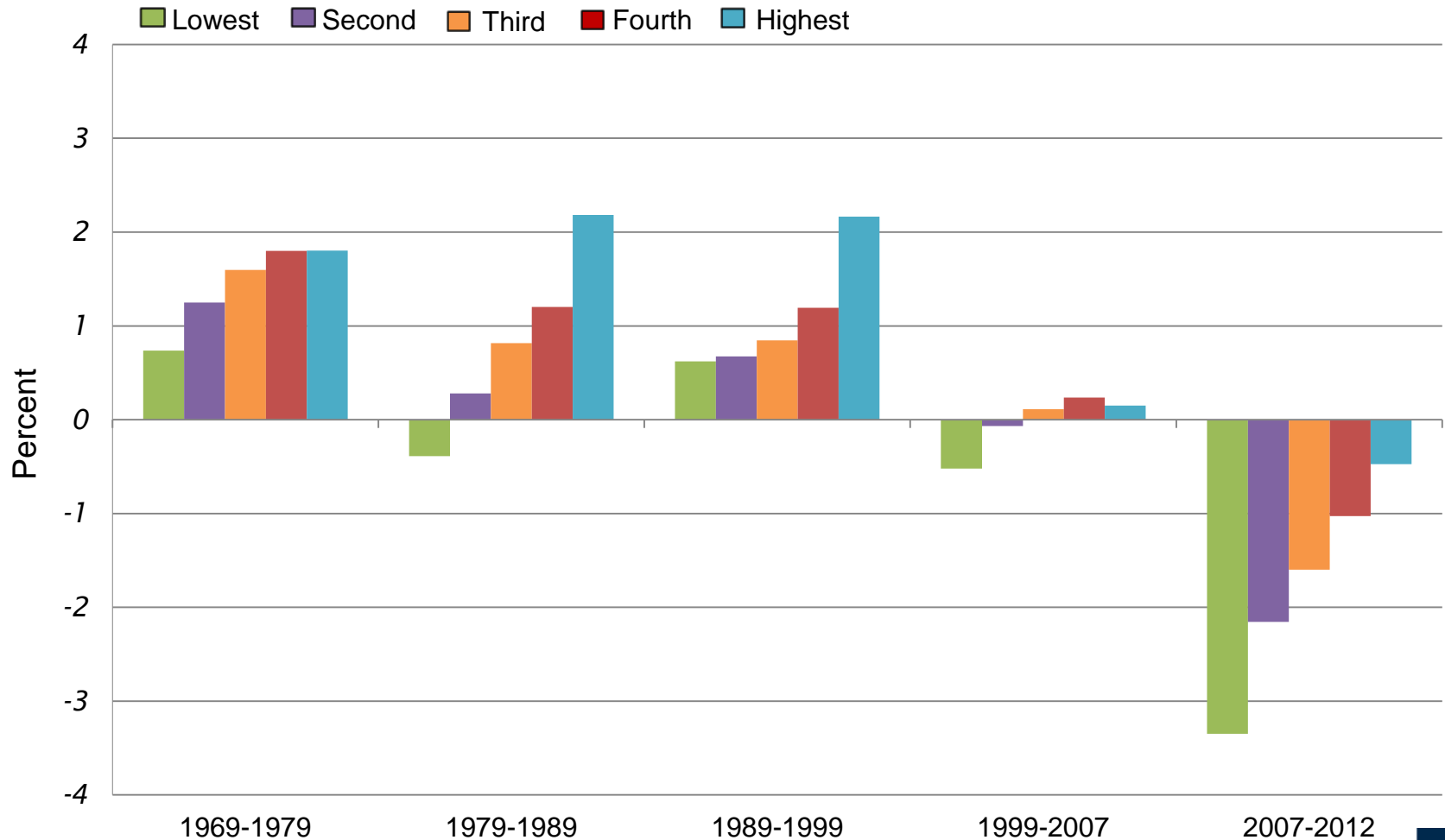


Distribution of Family Size-Adjusted Income 2012

Note: To adjust your income by family size relative to a 4-person family, use the following factors:

- Single person, multiply income by 2.2
- Married-couple, multiply income by 1.5
- Married-couple with one child, multiply income by 1.4

Average Annual Change in Family Size-Adjusted Mean Income by Quintile



Note: Change in data collection methodology in 1993.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Survey, 1970 to 2013 Annual Social and Economic Supplements.

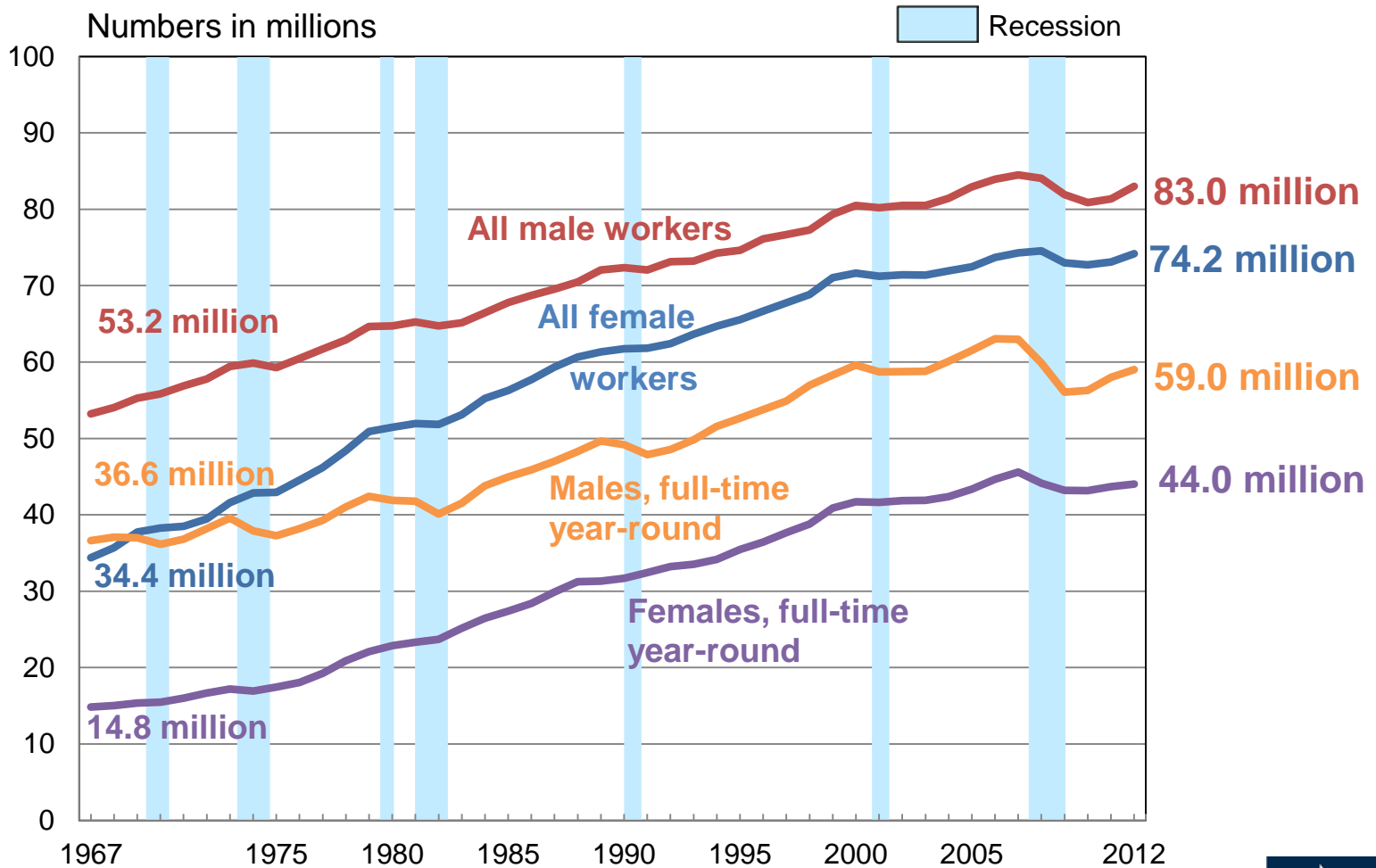
Average Annual Change in Family Size-Adjusted Mean Income by Quintile: 1969 to 2012

Average Annual Percent Change	Lowest quintile	Second quintile	Third quintile	Fourth quintile	Highest quintile
1969-1979	0.7	1.3	1.6	1.8	1.8
1979-1989	-0.4	0.3	0.8	1.2	2.2
1989-1999	0.6	0.7	0.8	1.2	2.2
1999-2007	-0.5	-0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2
2007-2012	-3.3	-2.2	-1.6	-1.0	-0.5

*Statistically different from zero at the 90 percent confidence level.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Survey, 2012 and 2013 Annual Social and Economic Supplements. For information on confidentiality protection, sampling error, nonsampling error, and definitions, see <www.census.gov/prod/techdoc/cps/cpsmar13.pdf>.

Total and Full-Time, Year-Round Workers With Earnings by Sex: 1967 to 2012



Number of Total and Full-Time, Year-Round Workers With Earnings by Sex: 1967 to 2012

(Numbers in thousands. People 15 years and older beginning in 1980, and people 14 years and older as of the following year for previous years. Before 1989 civilian workers only.)

Years	Total Workers		Full-Time, Year-Round Workers	
	Males	Females	Males	Females
1967	53,222	34,391	36,645	14,846
1968	54,026	35,695	37,068	15,013
1969	55,273	37,737	37,008	15,374
1970	55,821	38,273	36,132	15,476
1971	56,886	38,485	36,819	16,002
1972	57,774	39,470	38,184	16,675
1973	59,438	41,583	39,581	17,195
1974	59,866	42,854	37,916	16,945
1975	59,268	42,926	37,267	17,452
1976	60,450	44,565	38,184	18,073
1977	61,704	46,194	39,263	19,238
1978	62,903	48,398	41,036	20,914
1979	64,648	50,897	42,437	22,082
1980	64,730	51,448	41,881	22,859
1981	65,233	51,940	41,773	23,329
1982	64,730	51,820	40,105	23,702
1983	65,138	53,108	41,528	25,166
1984	66,454	55,226	43,808	26,466
1985	67,809	56,296	44,943	27,383
1986	68,728	57,686	45,912	28,420
1987	69,545	59,359	47,013	29,912
1988	70,467	60,658	48,285	31,237
1989	72,045	61,338	49,678	31,340
1990	72,348	61,732	49,171	31,682
1991	72,040	61,796	47,888	32,436
1992	73,120	62,408	48,551	33,241
1993	73,198	63,660	49,818	33,524
1994	74,264	64,706	51,580	34,155
1995	74,619	65,557	52,667	35,482
1996	76,121	66,661	53,787	36,430
1997	76,694	67,736	54,909	37,683
1998	77,295	68,846	56,951	38,785
1999	79,322	71,053	58,299	40,871
2000	80,494	71,657	59,602	41,719
2001	80,209	71,232	58,712	41,639
2002	80,500	71,411	58,761	41,876
2003	80,508	71,372	58,772	41,908
2004 ¹	81,448	71,930	60,088	42,380
2005	82,934	72,476	61,500	43,351
2006	83,928	73,683	63,055	44,663
2007	84,482	74,295	62,984	45,613
2008	84,039	74,538	59,861	44,156
2009	81,934	72,972	56,053	43,217
2010	80,856	72,716	56,283	43,179
2011	81,366	73,094	57,993	43,683
2012	83,003	74,188	59,009	44,042

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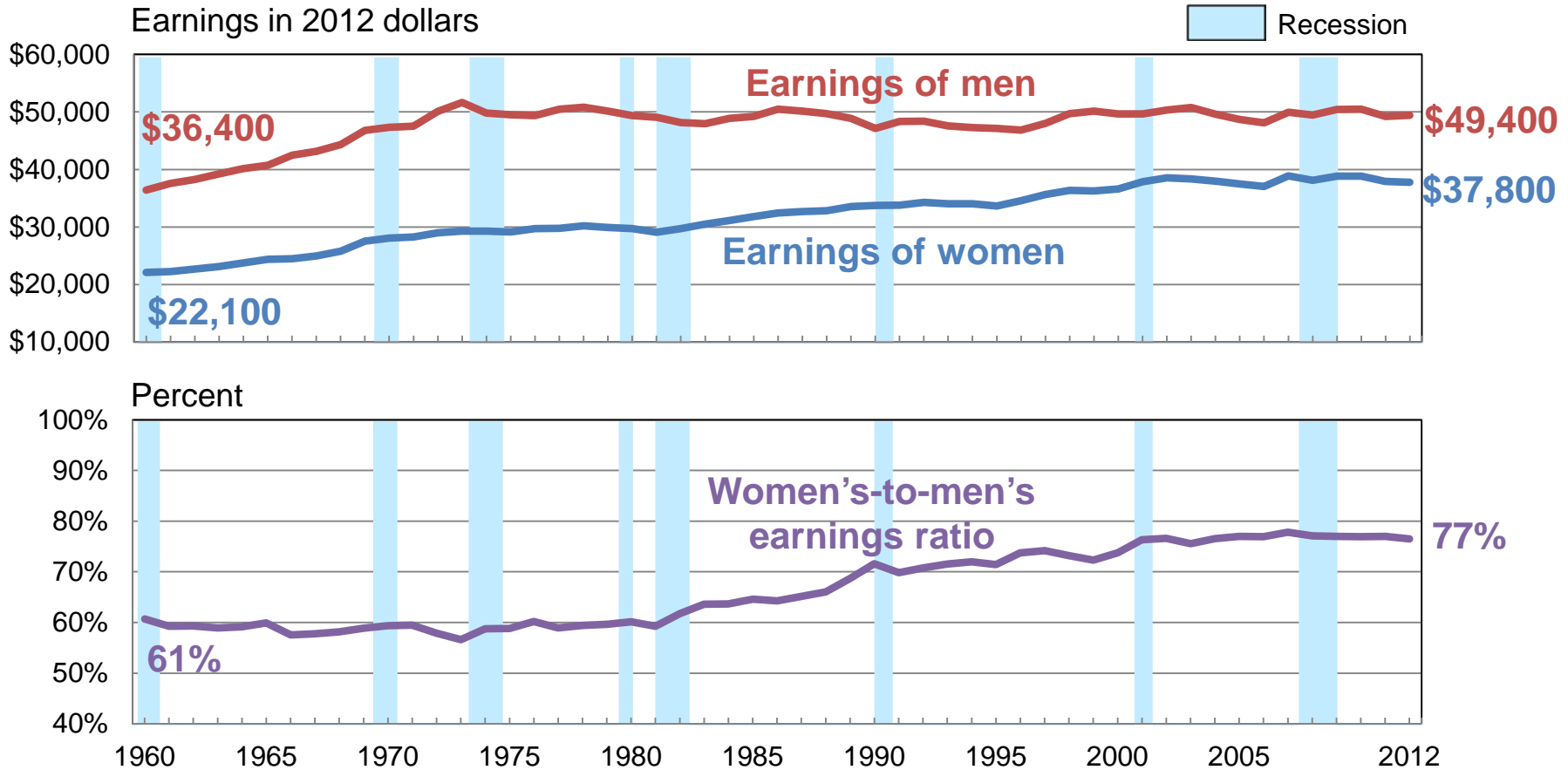
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Real Median Earnings and Women's-to-Men's Earnings Ratio: 1960 to 2012

(Full-time, year-round workers)



Real Median Earnings and Women's-to-Men's Earnings Ratio: 1960 to 2012 (Full-time, year-round workers)

(Earnings in 2012 CPI-U-RS adjusted dollars)

Year	Men		Women		Women's-to-Men's earnings ratio
	Number with earnings (thousands)	Median earnings (dollars)	Number with earnings (thousands)	Median earnings (dollars)	
1960	(NA)	36,420	(NA)	22,098	0.607
1961	(NA)	37,582	(NA)	22,267	0.592
1962	(NA)	38,269	(NA)	22,693	0.593
1963	(NA)	39,231	(NA)	23,125	0.589
1964	(NA)	40,147	(NA)	23,746	0.591
1965	(NA)	40,719	(NA)	24,401	0.599
1966	(NA)	42,497	(NA)	24,459	0.576
1967	36,645	43,169	14,846	24,944	0.578
1968	37,068	44,328	15,013	25,779	0.582
1969	37,008	46,815	15,374	27,557	0.589
1970	36,132	47,314	15,476	28,089	0.594
1971	36,819	47,516	16,002	28,275	0.595
1972	38,184	50,074	16,675	28,974	0.579
1973	39,581	51,670	17,195	29,262	0.566
1974	37,916	49,816	16,945	29,269	0.588
1975	37,267	49,505	17,452	29,118	0.588
1976	38,184	49,369	18,073	29,717	0.602
1977	39,263	50,480	19,238	29,744	0.589
1978	41,036	50,806	20,914	30,199	0.594
1979	42,437	50,150	22,082	29,921	0.597
1980	41,881	49,378	22,859	29,706	0.602
1981	41,773	49,078	23,329	29,071	0.592
1982	40,105	48,152	23,702	29,731	0.617
1983	41,528	47,942	25,166	30,488	0.636
1984	43,808	48,871	26,466	31,110	0.637
1985	44,943	49,237	27,383	31,795	0.646
1986	45,912	50,482	28,420	32,445	0.643
1987	47,013	50,166	29,912	32,697	0.652
1988	48,285	49,715	31,237	32,836	0.660
1989	49,678	48,865	31,340	33,557	0.687
1990	49,171	47,136	31,682	33,757	0.716
1991	47,888	48,370	32,436	33,791	0.699
1992	48,551	48,419	33,241	34,273	0.708
1993	49,818	47,579	33,524	34,028	0.715
1994	51,580	47,269	34,155	34,019	0.720
1995	52,667	47,118	35,482	33,656	0.714
1996	53,787	46,841	36,430	34,551	0.738
1997	54,909	48,032	37,683	35,621	0.742
1998	56,951	49,722	38,785	36,382	0.732
1999	58,299	50,147	40,871	36,264	0.723
2000	59,602	49,669	41,719	36,616	0.737
2001	58,712	49,640	41,639	37,890	0.763
2002	58,761	50,323	41,876	38,548	0.766
2003	58,772	50,771	41,908	38,357	0.755
2004 ¹	60,088	49,591	42,380	37,975	0.766
2005	61,500	48,676	43,351	37,470	0.770
2006	63,055	48,127	44,663	37,028	0.769
2007	62,984	49,958	45,613	38,872	0.778
2008	59,861	49,446	44,156	38,119	0.771
2009	56,053	50,448	43,217	38,835	0.770
2010	56,283	50,497	43,179	38,846	0.769
2011	57,993	49,209	43,683	37,894	0.770
2012	59,009	49,398	44,042	37,791	0.765

(NA) Not available.

¹The 2004 data have been revised to reflect a correction to the weights in the 2005 ASEC.

Note: For changes in survey and data processing methodology, see footnotes in Appendix Table A-4 of the report, *Income, Poverty, and Health Insurance Coverage in the United States: 2012*. U.S. Census Bureau, *Current Population Reports*, P60-245.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Survey, 1961 through 2013 Annual Social and Economic Supplements.

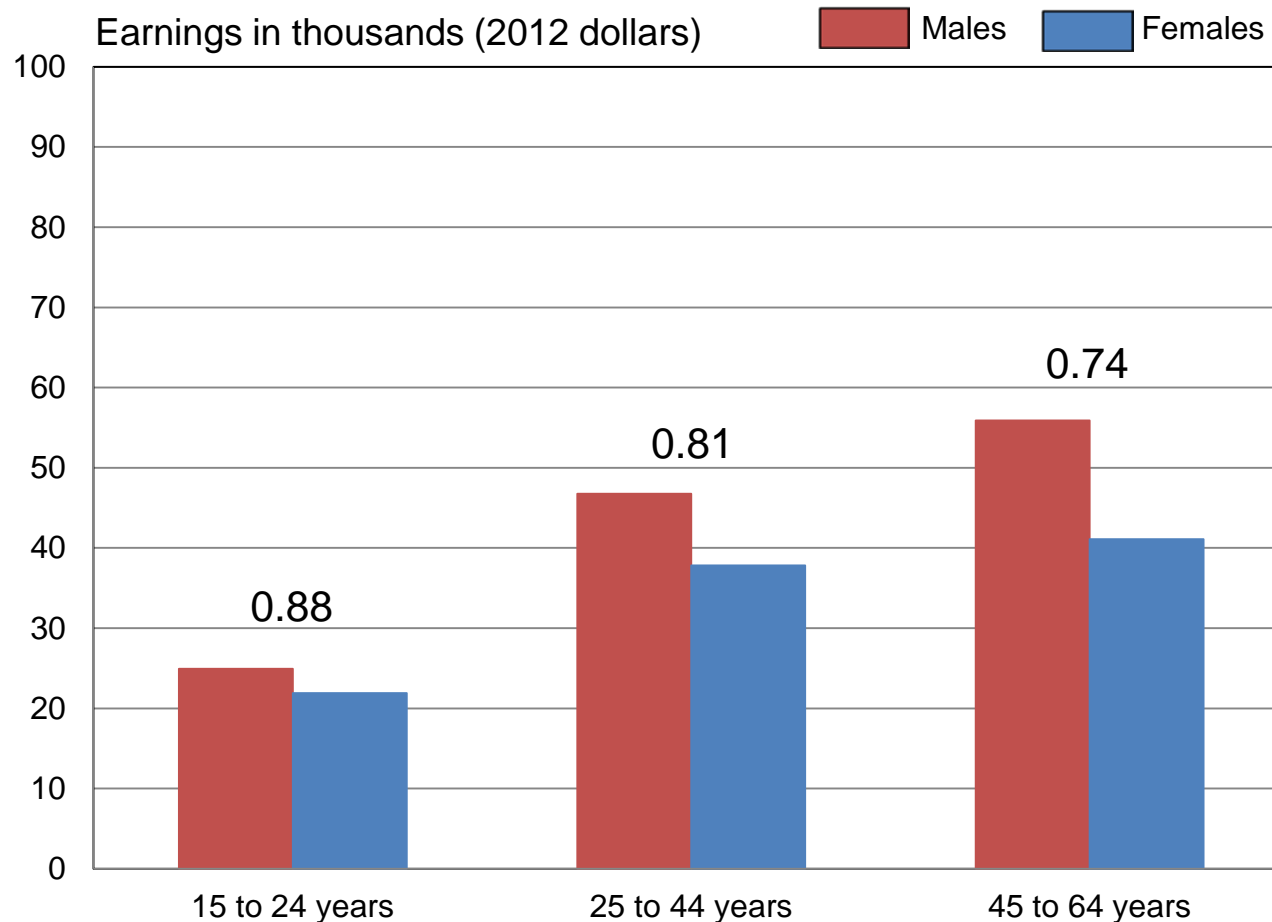
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Real Median Earnings of Full-Time, Year-Round Workers by Age: 2012



Note: F/M (female-to-male earnings ratio) displayed above bars.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Survey, 2013 Annual Social and Economic Supplement.

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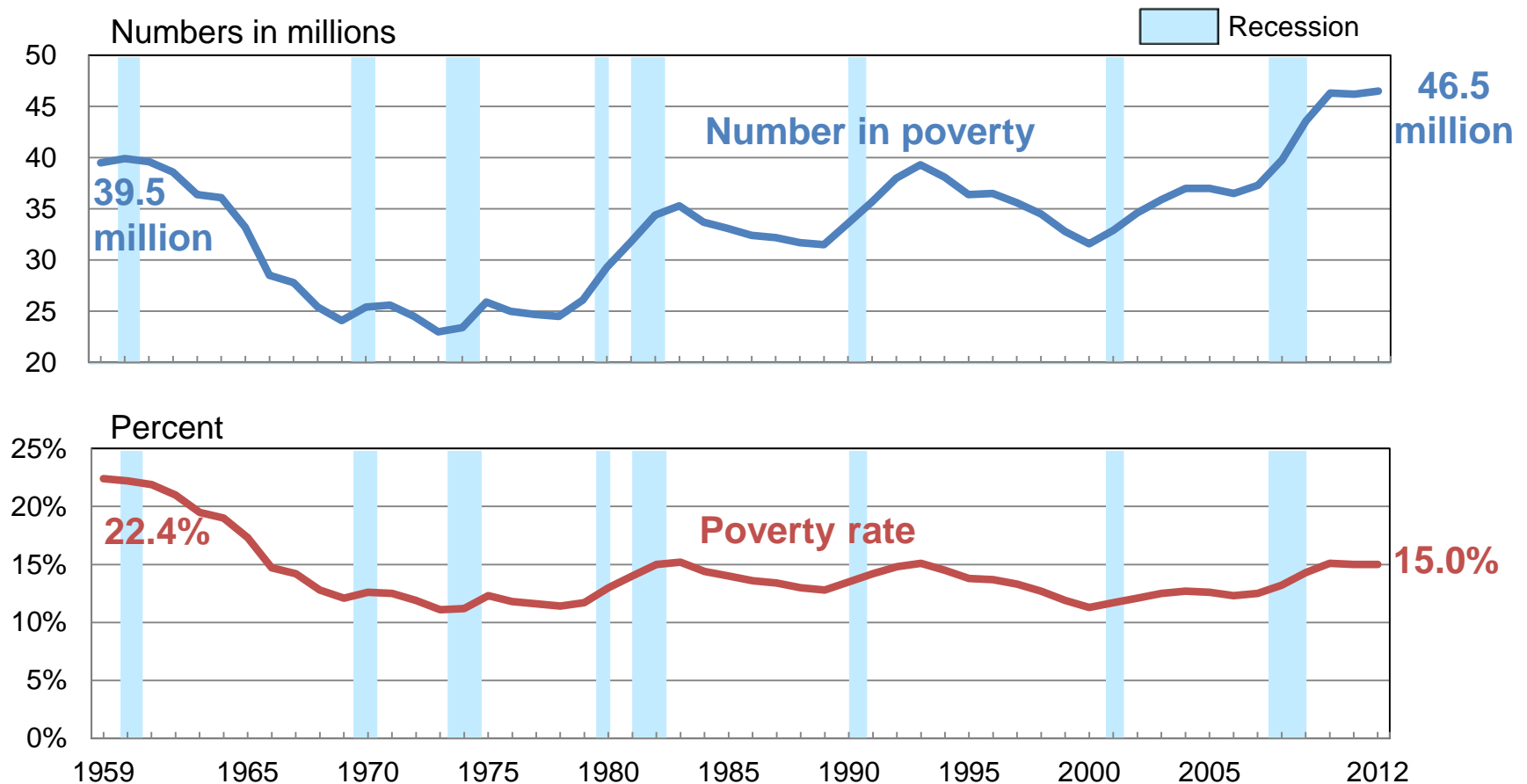
(Earnings in 2012 CPI-U-RS adjusted dollars)

Characteristic	Males	Females	Female-To-Male Earnings Ratio
15 to 24 years	24,948	21,883	0.88
25 to 44 year	46,751	37,823	0.81
45 to 64 years	55,893	41,100	0.74

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Survey, 2013 Annual Social and Economic Supplement.

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Poverty Rate and Number in Poverty: 1959 to 2012



Poverty: 1959 to 2012

(Millions/Percent)

Year	Number in Poverty	Poverty Rate	Year	Number in Poverty	Poverty Rate
1959	39.5	22.4	1986	32.4	13.6
1960	39.9	22.2	1987	32.2	13.4
1961	39.6	21.9	1988	31.7	13.0
1962	38.6	21.0	1989	31.5	12.8
1963	36.4	19.5	1990	33.6	13.5
1964	36.1	19.0	1991	35.7	14.2
1965	33.2	17.3	1992 ¹	38.0	14.8
1966	28.5	14.7	1993	39.3	15.1
1967	27.8	14.2	1994	38.1	14.5
1968	25.4	12.8	1995	36.4	13.8
1969	24.1	12.1	1996	36.5	13.7
1970	25.4	12.6	1997	35.6	13.3
1971	25.6	12.5	1998	34.5	12.7
1972	24.5	11.9	1999 ²	32.8	11.9
1973	23.0	11.1	2000 ²	31.6	11.3
1974	23.4	11.2	2001	32.9	11.7
1975	25.9	12.3	2002	34.6	12.1
1976	25.0	11.8	2003	35.9	12.5
1977	24.7	11.6	2004 ³	37.0	12.7
1978	24.5	11.4	2005	37.0	12.6
1979	26.1	11.7	2006	36.5	12.3
1980	29.3	13.0	2007	37.3	12.5
1981	31.8	14.0	2008	39.8	13.2
1982	34.4	15.0	2009	43.6	14.3
1983	35.3	15.2	2010 ⁴	46.2	15.1
1984	33.7	14.4	2011	46.2	15.0
1985	33.1	14.0	2012	46.5	15.0

¹Poverty data for 1992 reflect 1990 Census population controls.

²Poverty data for 1999 and 2000 consistent with 2001 data through implementation of Census 2000-based population controls and a 28,000 household sample expansion.

³CPS 2005 ASEC file (2004 data) was corrected after the release of the 2004 Income, Poverty and Health Insurance report due to adjustments to the weights.

⁴Consistent with 2011 data through implementation of Census 2010-based population controls.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Survey, 1960 to 2013 Annual Social and Economic Supplements. For information on confidentiality protection, sampling error, nonsampling error, and definitions, see <www.census.gov/prod/techdoc/cps/cpsmar13.pdf>.

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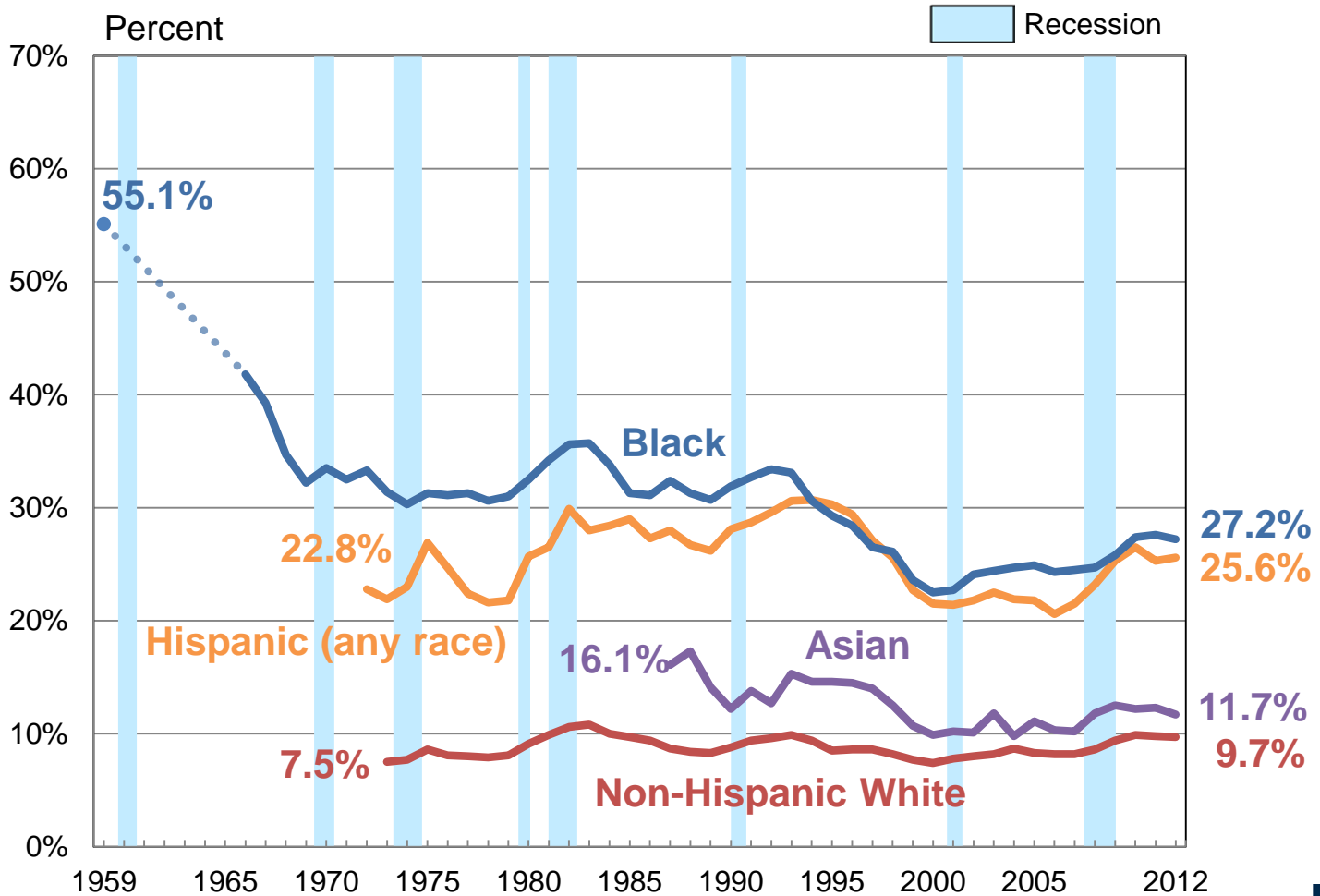
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Weighted Average Poverty Thresholds in 2012

Size of family unit	Threshold
One person (unrelated individual)	11,720
Under 65 years	11,945
65 years and older	11,011
Two people	14,937
Householder under 65 years	15,450
Householder 65 years and older	13,892
Three people	18,284
Four people	23,492
Five people	27,827
Six people	31,471
Seven people	35,743
Eight people	39,688
Nine people or more	47,297

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Survey, 2013 Annual Economic Supplement.

Poverty Rates by Race and Hispanic Origin: 1959 to 2012



Poverty Rates by Race¹ and Hispanic Origin: 1959 to 2012

(Percent)

Year	All races	White alone, not Hispanic	White, not Hispanic	Black alone	Black	Asian alone	Asian and Pacific Islander	Hispanic (of any race)
1959	22.4	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	55.1	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
1960	22.2	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
1961	21.9	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
1962	21.0	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
1963	19.5	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
1964	19.0	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
1965	17.3	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
1966	14.7	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	41.8	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
1967	14.2	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	39.3	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
1968	12.8	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	34.7	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
1969	12.1	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	32.2	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
1970	12.6	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	33.5	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
1971	12.5	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	32.5	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)
1972	11.9	(NA)	(NA)	(NA)	33.3	(NA)	(NA)	22.8
1973	11.1	(NA)	7.5	(NA)	31.4	(NA)	(NA)	21.9
1974	11.2	(NA)	7.7	(NA)	30.3	(NA)	(NA)	23.0
1975	12.3	(NA)	8.6	(NA)	31.3	(NA)	(NA)	26.9
1976	11.8	(NA)	8.1	(NA)	31.1	(NA)	(NA)	24.7
1977	11.6	(NA)	8.0	(NA)	31.3	(NA)	(NA)	22.4
1978	11.4	(NA)	7.9	(NA)	30.6	(NA)	(NA)	21.6
1979	11.7	(NA)	8.1	(NA)	31.0	(NA)	(NA)	21.8
1980	13.0	(NA)	9.1	(NA)	32.5	(NA)	(NA)	25.7
1981	14.0	(NA)	9.9	(NA)	34.2	(NA)	(NA)	26.5
1982	15.0	(NA)	10.6	(NA)	35.6	(NA)	(NA)	29.9
1983	15.2	(NA)	10.8	(NA)	35.7	(NA)	(NA)	28.0
1984	14.4	(NA)	10.0	(NA)	33.8	(NA)	(NA)	28.4
1985	14.0	(NA)	9.7	(NA)	31.3	(NA)	(NA)	29.0
1986	13.6	(NA)	9.4	(NA)	31.1	(NA)	(NA)	27.3
1987	13.4	(NA)	8.7	(NA)	32.4	(NA)	16.1	28.0
1988	13.0	(NA)	8.4	(NA)	31.3	(NA)	17.3	26.7
1989	12.8	(NA)	8.3	(NA)	30.7	(NA)	14.1	26.2
1990	13.5	(NA)	8.8	(NA)	31.9	(NA)	12.2	28.1
1991	14.2	(NA)	9.4	(NA)	32.7	(NA)	13.8	28.7
1992	14.8	(NA)	9.6	(NA)	33.4	(NA)	12.7	29.6
1993	15.1	(NA)	9.9	(NA)	33.1	(NA)	15.3	30.6
1994	14.5	(NA)	9.4	(NA)	30.6	(NA)	14.6	30.7
1995	13.8	(NA)	8.5	(NA)	29.3	(NA)	14.6	30.3
1996	13.7	(NA)	8.6	(NA)	28.4	(NA)	14.5	29.4
1997	13.3	(NA)	8.6	(NA)	26.5	(NA)	14.0	27.1
1998	12.7	(NA)	8.2	(NA)	26.1	(NA)	12.5	25.6
1999 ²	11.9	(NA)	7.7	(NA)	23.6	(NA)	10.7	22.7
2000 ³	11.3	(NA)	7.4	(NA)	22.5	(NA)	9.9	21.5
2001	11.7	(NA)	7.8	(NA)	22.7	(NA)	10.2	21.4
2002	12.1	8.0	(NA)	24.1	(NA)	10.1	(NA)	21.8
2003	12.5	8.2	(NA)	24.4	(NA)	11.8	(NA)	22.5
2004 ⁴	12.7	8.7	(NA)	24.7	(NA)	9.8	(NA)	21.9
2005	12.6	8.3	(NA)	24.9	(NA)	11.1	(NA)	21.8
2006	12.3	8.2	(NA)	24.3	(NA)	10.3	(NA)	20.6
2007	12.5	8.2	(NA)	24.5	(NA)	10.2	(NA)	21.5
2008	13.2	8.6	(NA)	24.7	(NA)	11.8	(NA)	23.2
2009	14.3	9.4	(NA)	25.8	(NA)	12.5	(NA)	25.3
2010 ⁵	15.1	9.9	(NA)	27.4	(NA)	12.2	(NA)	26.5
2011	15.0	9.8	(NA)	27.6	(NA)	12.3	(NA)	25.3
2012	15.0	9.7	(NA)	27.2	(NA)	11.7	(NA)	25.6

(NA) Not available.

¹Starting with the 2003 CPS, respondents were allowed to choose more than one race. This table presents the single-race population for 2002 to 2006. For example White alone refers to people who reported White and did not report any other race category. For 2001 and earlier years, the CPS allowed respondents to report only one race group.

²Consistent with 2001 data through implementation of Census 2000-based population controls.

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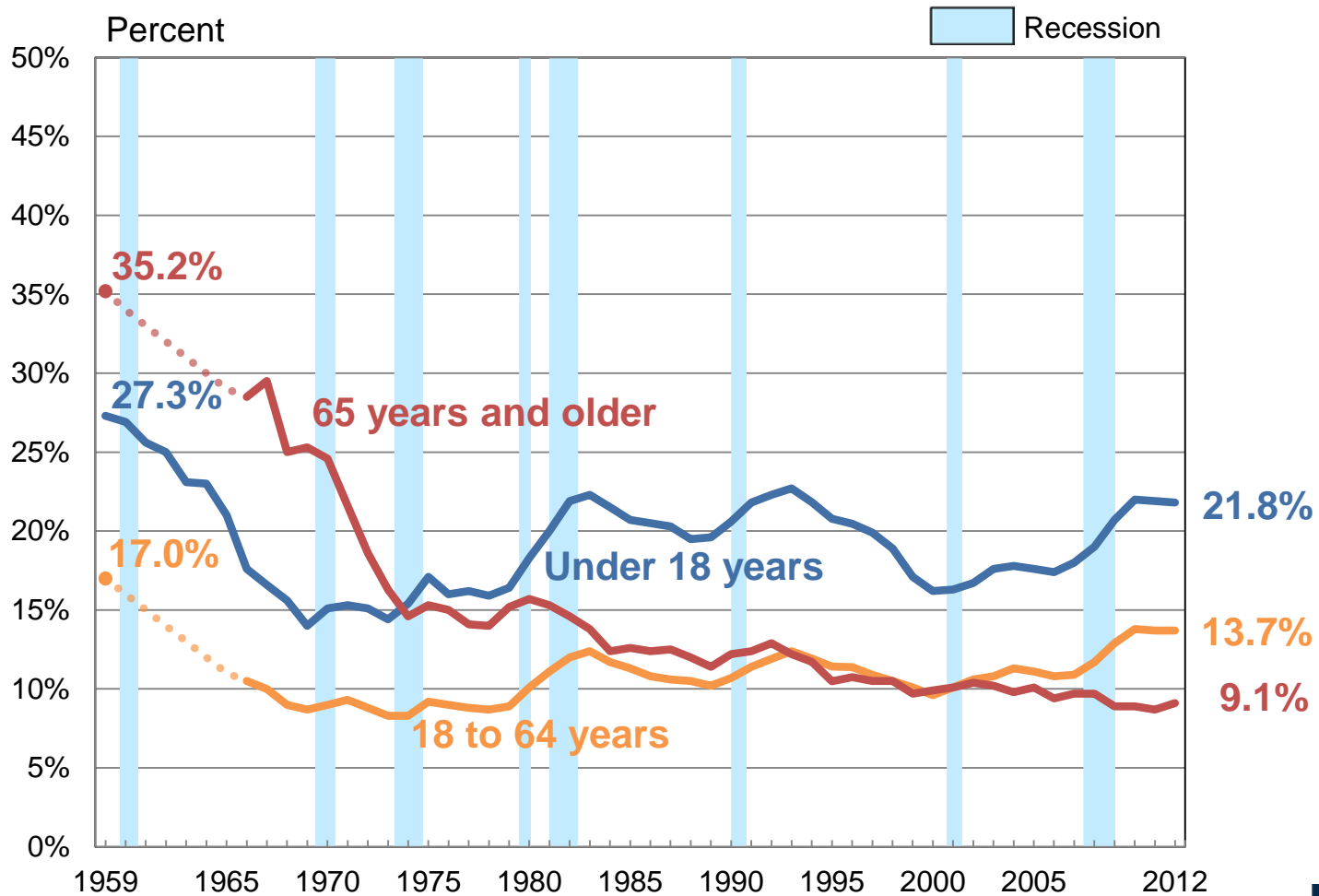
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Poverty Rates by Age: 1959 to 2012



Poverty Rates by Age: 1959 to 2012

(Percent)

Year	Under 18 years of age	18 to 64 years	65 years and over	Year	Under 18 years of age	18 to 64 years	65 years and over
1959	27.3	17.0	35.2	1986	20.5	10.8	12.4
1960	26.9	(NA)	(NA)	1987	20.3	10.6	12.5
1961	25.6	(NA)	(NA)	1988	19.5	10.5	12.0
1962	25.0	(NA)	(NA)	1989	19.6	10.2	11.4
1963	23.1	(NA)	(NA)	1990	20.6	10.7	12.2
1964	23.0	(NA)	(NA)	1991	21.8	11.4	12.4
1965	21.0	(NA)	(NA)	1992	22.3	11.9	12.9
1966	17.6	10.5	28.5	1993	22.7	12.4	12.2
1967	16.6	10.0	29.5	1994	21.8	11.9	11.7
1968	15.6	9.0	25.0	1995	20.8	11.4	10.5
1969	14.0	8.7	25.3	1996	20.5	11.4	10.8
1970	15.1	9.0	24.6	1997	19.9	10.9	10.5
1971	15.3	9.3	21.6	1998	18.9	10.5	10.5
1972	15.1	8.8	18.6	1999 ¹	17.1	10.1	9.7
1973	14.4	8.3	16.3	2000 ²	16.2	9.6	9.9
1974	15.4	8.3	14.6	2001	16.3	10.1	10.1
1975	17.1	9.2	15.3	2002	16.7	10.6	10.4
1976	16.0	9.0	15.0	2003	17.6	10.8	10.2
1977	16.2	8.8	14.1	2004 ³	17.8	11.3	9.8
1978	15.9	8.7	14.0	2005	17.6	11.1	10.1
1979	16.4	8.9	15.2	2006	17.4	10.8	9.4
1980	18.3	10.1	15.7	2007	18.0	10.9	9.7
1981	20.0	11.1	15.3	2008	19.0	11.7	9.7
1982	21.9	12.0	14.6	2009	20.7	12.9	8.9
1983	22.3	12.4	13.8	2010 ⁴	22.0	13.8	8.9
1984	21.5	11.7	12.4	2011	21.9	13.7	8.7
1985	20.7	11.3	12.6	2012	21.8	13.7	9.1

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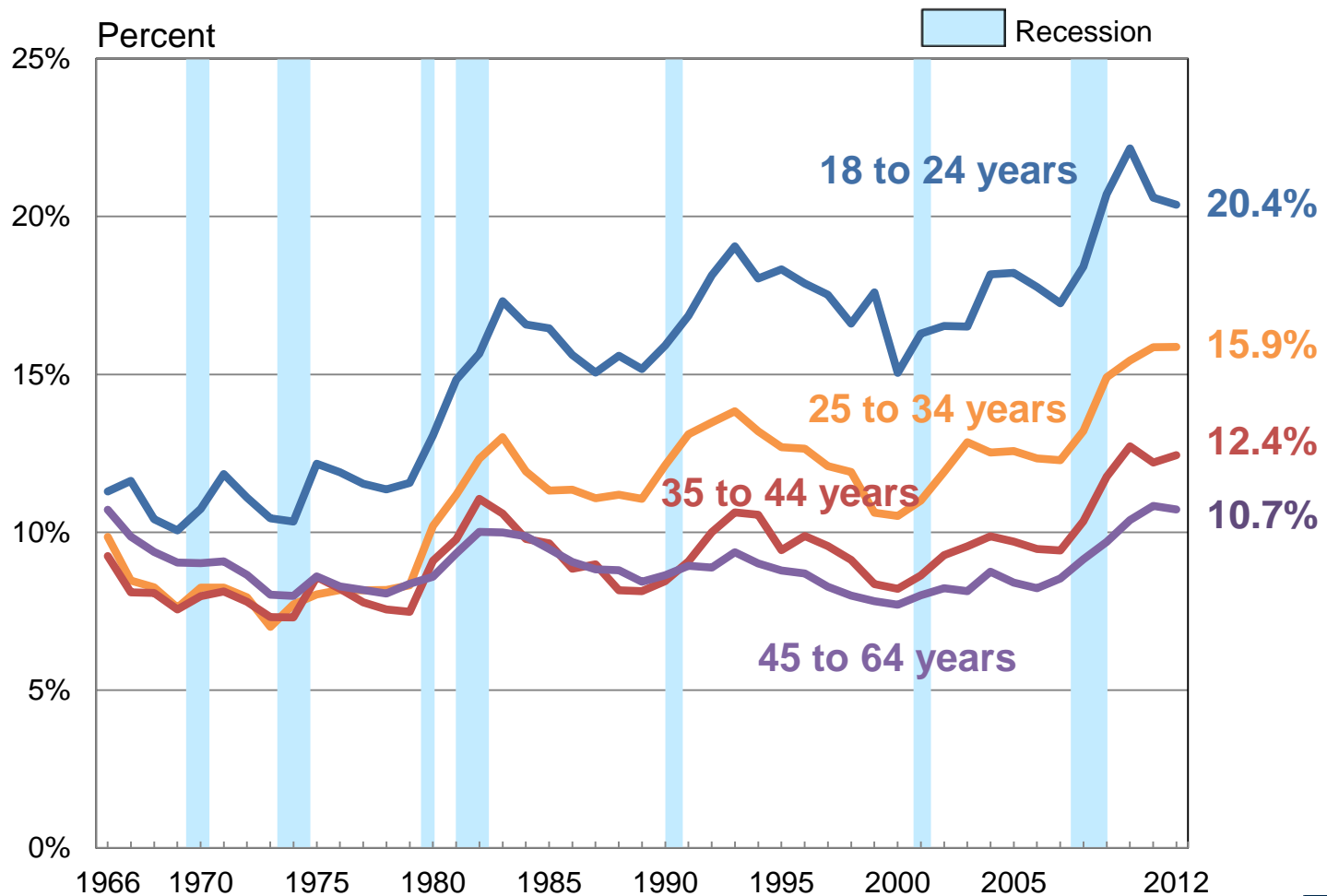
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Poverty Rates for Working Age Adults: 1966 to 2012



Poverty Rates for Working Age Adults: 1966 to 2012

(Percent)

Year	18 to 24 years	25 to 34 years	35 to 44 years	45 to 64 years	Year	18 to 24 years	25 to 34 years	35 to 44 years	45 to 64 years
1966	11.3	9.9	9.2	10.7	1990	15.9	12.1	8.5	8.6
1967	11.6	8.5	8.1	9.9	1991	16.9	13.1	9.1	8.9
1968	10.4	8.3	8.1	9.4	1992	18.1	13.5	10.0	8.9
1969	10.1	7.6	7.6	9.0	1993	19.1	13.8	10.6	9.4
1970	10.7	8.2	8.0	9.0	1994	18.0	13.2	10.6	9.0
1971	11.8	8.2	8.1	9.1	1995	18.3	12.7	9.4	8.8
1972	11.1	7.9	7.8	8.6	1996	17.9	12.7	9.9	8.7
1973	10.4	7.0	7.3	8.0	1997	17.5	12.1	9.6	8.3
1974	10.3	7.7	7.3	8.0	1998	16.6	11.9	9.1	8.0
1975	12.2	8.0	8.6	8.6	1999 ¹	17.6	10.6	8.4	7.8
1976	11.9	8.2	8.2	8.3	2000 ²	15.1	10.5	8.2	7.7
1977	11.5	8.2	7.8	8.2	2001	16.3	11.0	8.6	8.0
1978	11.4	8.2	7.6	8.1	2002	16.5	11.9	9.3	8.2
1979	11.6	8.3	7.5	8.4	2003	16.5	12.8	9.6	8.1
1980	13.1	10.2	9.1	8.6	2004 ³	18.2	12.5	9.9	8.7
1981	14.8	11.2	9.8	9.3	2005	18.2	12.6	9.7	8.4
1982	15.7	12.3	11.1	10.0	2006	17.8	12.3	9.5	8.2
1983	17.3	13.0	10.6	10.0	2007	17.3	12.3	9.4	8.5
1984	16.6	11.9	9.8	9.9	2008	18.4	13.2	10.4	9.1
1985	16.5	11.3	9.7	9.5	2009	20.7	14.9	11.8	9.7
1986	15.6	11.4	8.8	9.1	2010 ⁴	22.2	15.4	12.7	10.4
1987	15.1	11.1	9.0	8.8	2011	20.6	15.9	12.2	10.8
1988	15.6	11.2	8.2	8.8	2012	20.4	15.9	12.4	10.7
1989	15.2	11.1	8.1	8.4					

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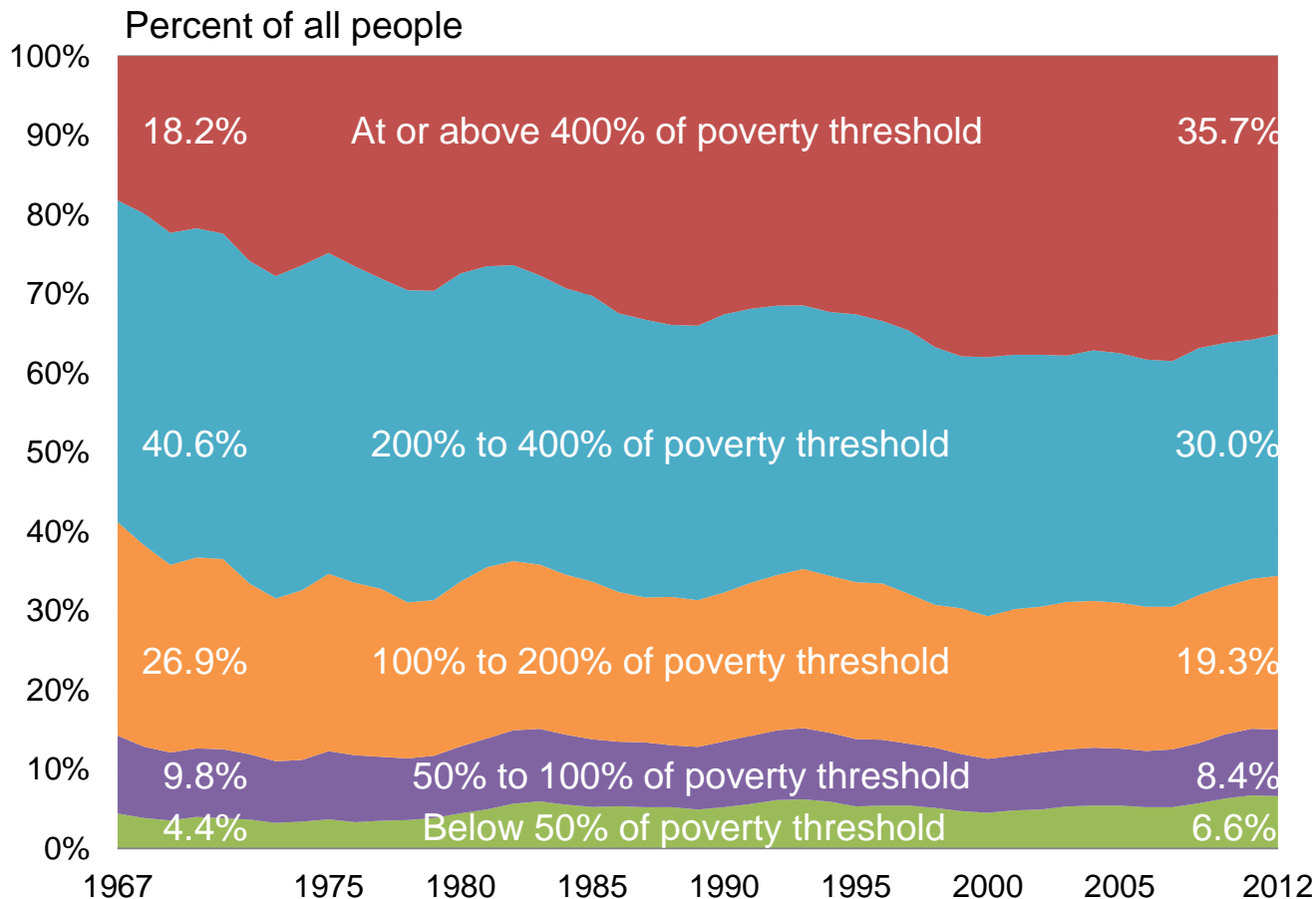
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People With Income Below Specified Ratio of Their Poverty Thresholds: 1967 to 2012



People with Income Below Specified Ratio of Their Poverty Thresholds: 1967 to 2012

(Percent of all people)

Year	Below 50%	Between 50% to 100%	Between 100% to 200%	Between 200% to 400%	400% and above
1967	4.4	9.8	26.9	40.6	18.2
1968	3.8	9.0	25.4	41.9	19.9
1969	3.5	8.6	23.7	41.9	22.3
1970	4.0	8.6	24.1	41.6	21.7
1971	3.8	8.7	24.0	41.1	22.4
1972	3.6	8.3	21.5	40.7	25.9
1973	3.2	7.8	20.5	40.7	27.8
1974	3.4	7.8	21.4	41.0	26.4
1975	3.7	8.6	22.4	40.5	24.9
1976	3.3	8.5	21.8	39.9	26.5
1977	3.5	8.1	21.2	39.2	28.1
1978	3.6	7.8	19.7	39.4	29.6
1979	3.8	7.9	19.6	39.0	29.6
1980	4.4	8.4	20.7	38.7	27.3
1981	4.9	8.9	21.5	37.8	26.4
1982	5.6	9.2	21.2	37.1	26.2
1983	5.9	9.1	20.6	36.3	27.5
1984	5.5	8.8	20.1	36.0	29.2
1985	5.2	8.5	19.8	35.9	30.1
1986	5.3	8.1	18.8	35.0	32.3
1987	5.2	8.2	18.3	35.1	33.3
1988	5.2	7.8	18.7	34.3	33.9
1989	4.9	7.9	18.5	34.6	34.0
1990	5.2	8.3	18.8	35.1	32.6
1991	5.6	8.6	19.3	34.6	31.9
1992	6.1	8.8	19.6	34.0	31.5
1993	6.2	9.0	20.1	33.3	31.5
1994	5.9	8.7	19.8	33.3	32.3
1995	5.3	8.5	19.8	33.8	32.6
1996	5.4	8.3	19.7	33.1	33.4
1997	5.4	7.8	18.9	33.2	34.6
1998	5.1	7.6	18.0	32.5	36.7
1999 ¹	4.7	7.2	18.4	31.8	37.9
2000 ²	4.5	6.8	18.0	32.7	38.0
2001	4.8	6.9	18.5	32.1	37.7
2002	4.9	7.2	18.4	31.8	37.7
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2004 ³	5.4	7.3	18.5	31.6	37.1
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2006	5.2	7.1	18.2	31.2	38.3
2007	5.2	7.3	18.0	31.0	38.5
2008	5.7	7.6	18.7	31.2	36.9
2009	6.3	8.1	18.7	30.7	36.2
2010 ⁴	6.7	8.4	18.9	30.2	35.8
2011	6.6	8.4	19.4	30.5	35.1
2012	6.6	8.4	19.3	30.0	35.7

¹Consistent with 2001 data through implementation of Census 2000-based population controls.

²Consistent with 2001 data through implementation of Census 2000-based population controls and a 28,000 household sample expansion.

³CPS 2005 ASEC file (2004 data) was corrected after the release of the 2004 Income, Poverty and Health Insurance report due to adjustments to the weights.

⁴Consistent with 2011 data through implementation of Census 2010-based population controls.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Survey, 1968 to 2013 Annual Social and Economic Supplements. For information on confidentiality protection, sampling error, nonsampling error, and definitions, see <www.census.gov/prod/techdoc/cps/cpsmar13.pdf>.

Supplemental Poverty Measure (SPM)

Observations from the Interagency Technical Working Group - March 2, 2010

- Will not replace the official poverty measure
- Will not be used for resource allocation or program eligibility
- Census Bureau and BLS responsible for improving and updating the measure
- Continued research and improvement
- Based on NAS panel 1995 recommendations

The Research SUPPLEMENTAL POVERTY MEASURE: 2011

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INTRODUCTION

Last year the U.S. Census Bureau, with support from the Bureau of Labor Statistics (BLS), released the first report describing research on the Supplemental Poverty Measure (SPM).¹ The SPM extends the information provided by the official poverty measure by including many of the government programs designed to assist low-income families and individuals that are not included in the current official poverty measure. The current official poverty measure was developed in the early 1960s, and only a few minor changes have been implemented since it was first adopted in 1969 (Orshansky, 1963, 1965a, 1965b; Fisher, 1992). The official measure consists of a set of thresholds for families of different sizes and compositions that are compared to before-tax cash income to determine a family's poverty status. At the time they were developed, the official poverty thresholds represented the cost of a minimum diet multiplied by three to allow for expenditures on other goods and services.²

¹ Short (2011), www.census.gov/hhes/povmeas/Short_ResearchSPM2011.pdf or also see Short (2012), www.census.gov/hhes/povmeas/Short_ResearchSPM2011.pdf, accessed September 2012.

Concerns about the adequacy of the official measure have increased during the past decades (Ruggles, 1990), culminating in a Congressional appropriation in 1990 for an independent scientific study of the concepts, measurement methods, and information needed for a poverty measure. In response, the National Academy of Sciences (NAS) established the Panel on Poverty and Family Assistance, which released its report, titled *Measuring Poverty: A New Approach*, in the spring of 1995 (Claro and Michael, 1995). Based on its assessment of the weaknesses of the current poverty measure, this NAS panel of experts recommended having a measure that better reflects contemporary social and economic realities and government policy. In their report, the NAS panel identified several major weaknesses of the current poverty measure.

- The current income measure does not reflect the effects of any government policies that alter the resources available to families and, hence, their poverty status. Examples include payroll taxes, which reduce disposable income, and in-kind public benefit programs, such as the Supplemental

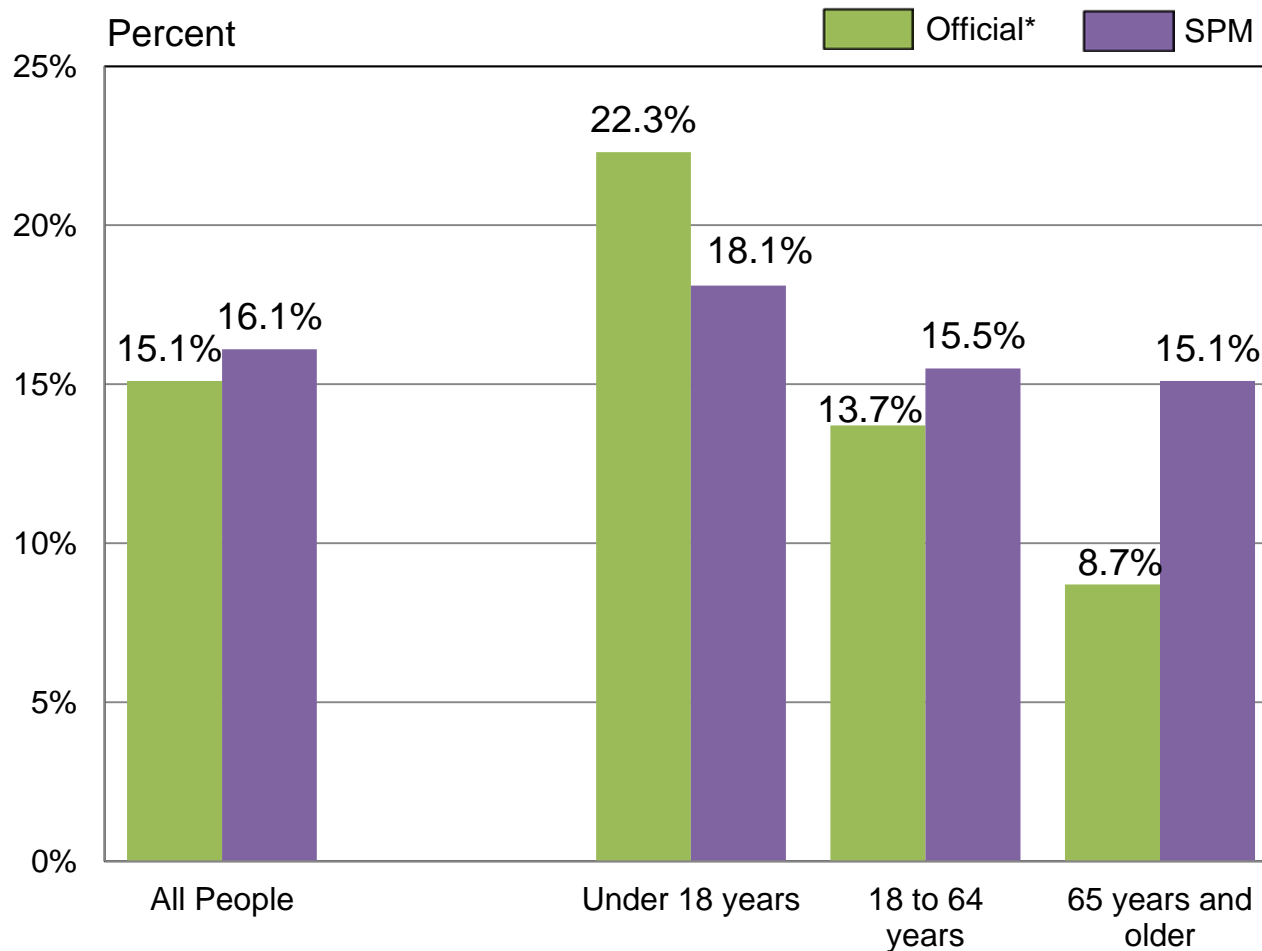
Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), that free up resources to spend on nonfood items.

- The current measure does not take into account expenses that are necessary to hold a job and to earn income—expenses that reduce disposable income. These expenses include transportation costs for getting to work and the costs of child care for working families which have increased as the labor force participation of mothers has increased.
- The current measure does not take into account variation in medical costs. These expenses vary across population groups that reflect differences in health status and insurance coverage and does not account for rising health care costs as a share of family budgets.
- The current poverty thresholds use family size adjustments that are anomalous and do not take into account important changes in family situations. Some changes include payments made for child support and increasing cohabitation among unmarried couples.

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Comparison of SPM and Official Poverty Estimates: 2011



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Percent

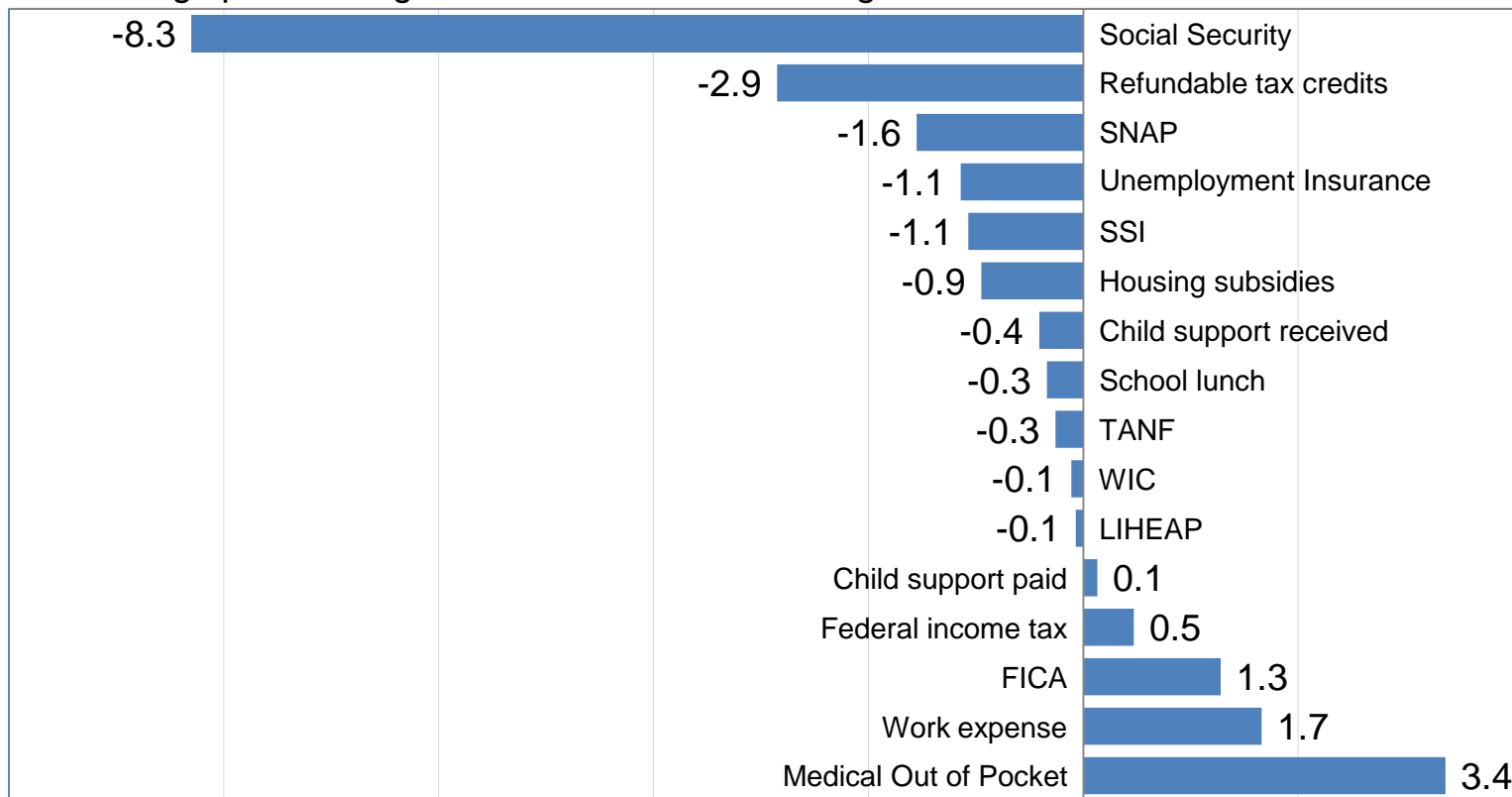
Characteristic	Official*	SPM
All People	15.1%	16.1%
Under 18 years	22.3%	18.1%
18 to 64 years	13.7%	15.5%
65 years and older	8.7%	15.1%

*Includes unrelated individuals under age 15.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Survey, 2012 Annual Social and Economic Supplement. For information on confidentiality protection, sampling error, nonsampling error, and definitions, see <www.census.gov/prod/techdoc/cps/cpsmar13.pdf>.

Difference in SPM Rate After Including Each Element: 2011

Percentage point change in SPM rate after including each element

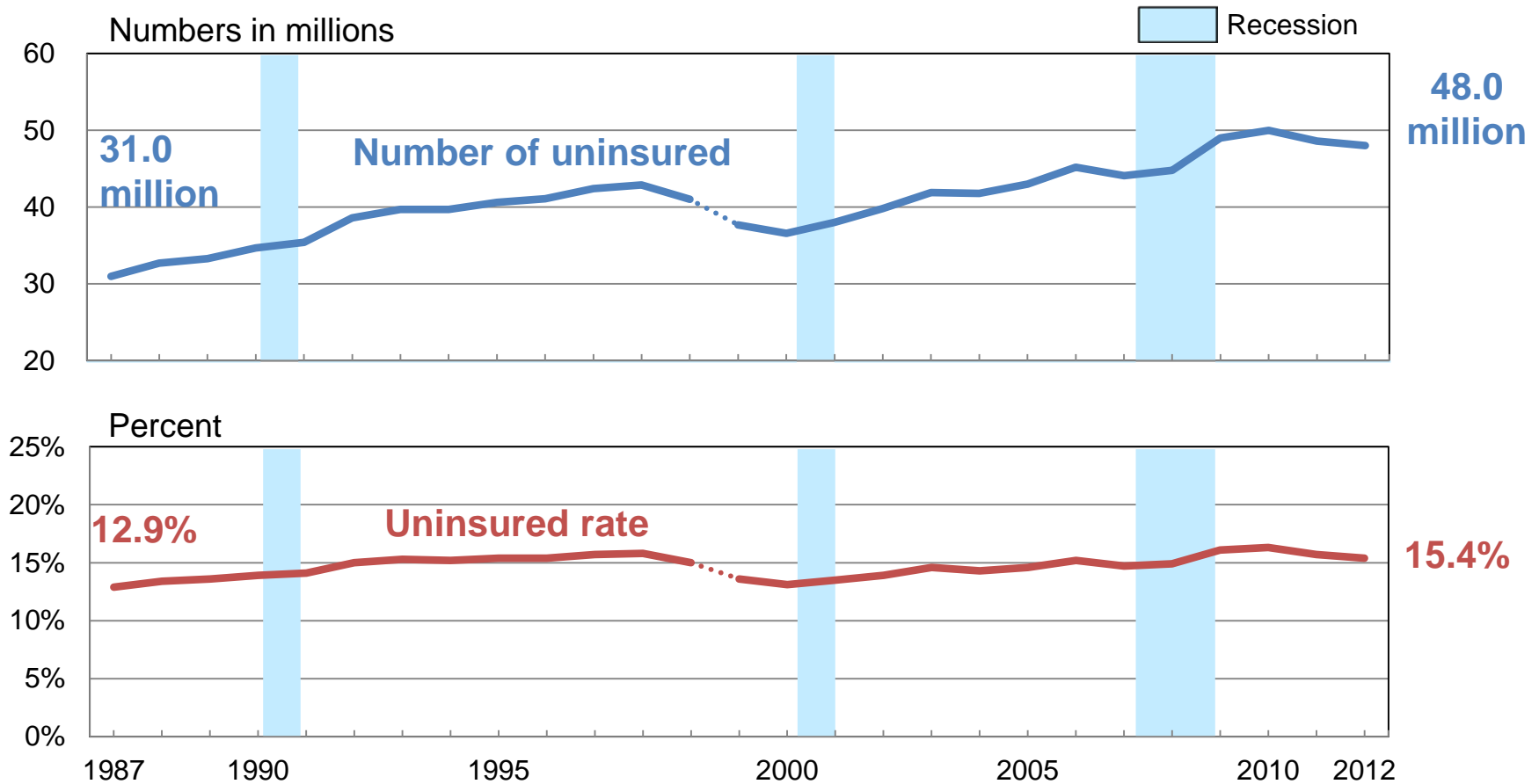


Difference in SPM Rate After Including Each Element: 2011

Program	Percentage Point Change
Social Security	-8.3
Refundable tax credits	-2.9
SNAP	-1.6
Unemployment insurance	-1.1
SSI	-1.1
Housing subsidies	-0.9
Child support received	-0.4
School lunch	-0.3
TANF	-0.3
WIC	-0.1
LIHEAP	-0.1
Child support paid	0.1
Federal income tax	0.5
FICA	1.3
Work expense	1.7
Medical Out of Pocket	3.4

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Survey, 2012 Annual Social and Economic Supplement. For information on confidentiality protection, sampling error, nonsampling error, and definitions, see <www.census.gov/prod/techdoc/cps/cpsmar13.pdf>.

Uninsured Rate and Number of Uninsured: 1987 to 2012



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(Numbers in millions, Rates in percent)

Year	Number of Uninsured (All People)	Uninsured Rate (All People)
1987	31.0	12.9
1988	32.7	13.4
1989	33.4	13.6
1990	34.7	13.9
1991	35.4	14.1
1992	38.6	15.0
1993	39.7	15.3
1994	39.7	15.2
1995	40.6	15.4
1996 ¹	41.1	15.4
1997	42.4	15.7
1998	42.9	15.8
1999	41.0	15.0
1999 ^{2,3}	37.7	13.6
2000	36.6	13.1
2001	38.0	13.5
2002	39.8	13.9
2003	41.9	14.6
2004	41.8	14.3
2005	43.0	14.6
2006	45.2	15.2
2007	44.1	14.7
2008	44.8	14.9
2009	49.0	16.1
2010 ⁴	50.0	16.3
2011	48.6	15.7
2012	48.0	15.4

Recessions

Peak month	Year	Trough month	Year
November	1948	October	1949
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December	1969	November	1970
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July	1990	March	1991
March	2001	November	2001
December	2007	June	2009

Source: National Bureau of Economic Research, 1050 Massachusetts Avenue, Cambridge, MA 02138
<www.nber.org>.

¹The series starting in 1996 reflects an approximation of the impact of an editing error that was corrected in the 2005 ASEC (estimates of 2004 coverage).

²Implementation of Census 2000-based population controls occurred for the 2000 ASEC, which collected data for 1999. These estimates also reflect the results of follow-up verification questions which were asked of people who responded "no" to all questions about specific types of health insurance coverage in order to verify whether they were actually uninsured. This change increased the number and percentage of people covered by health insurance, bringing the CPS more in line with estimates from other national surveys. The data points are placed at the midpoints of the respective years.

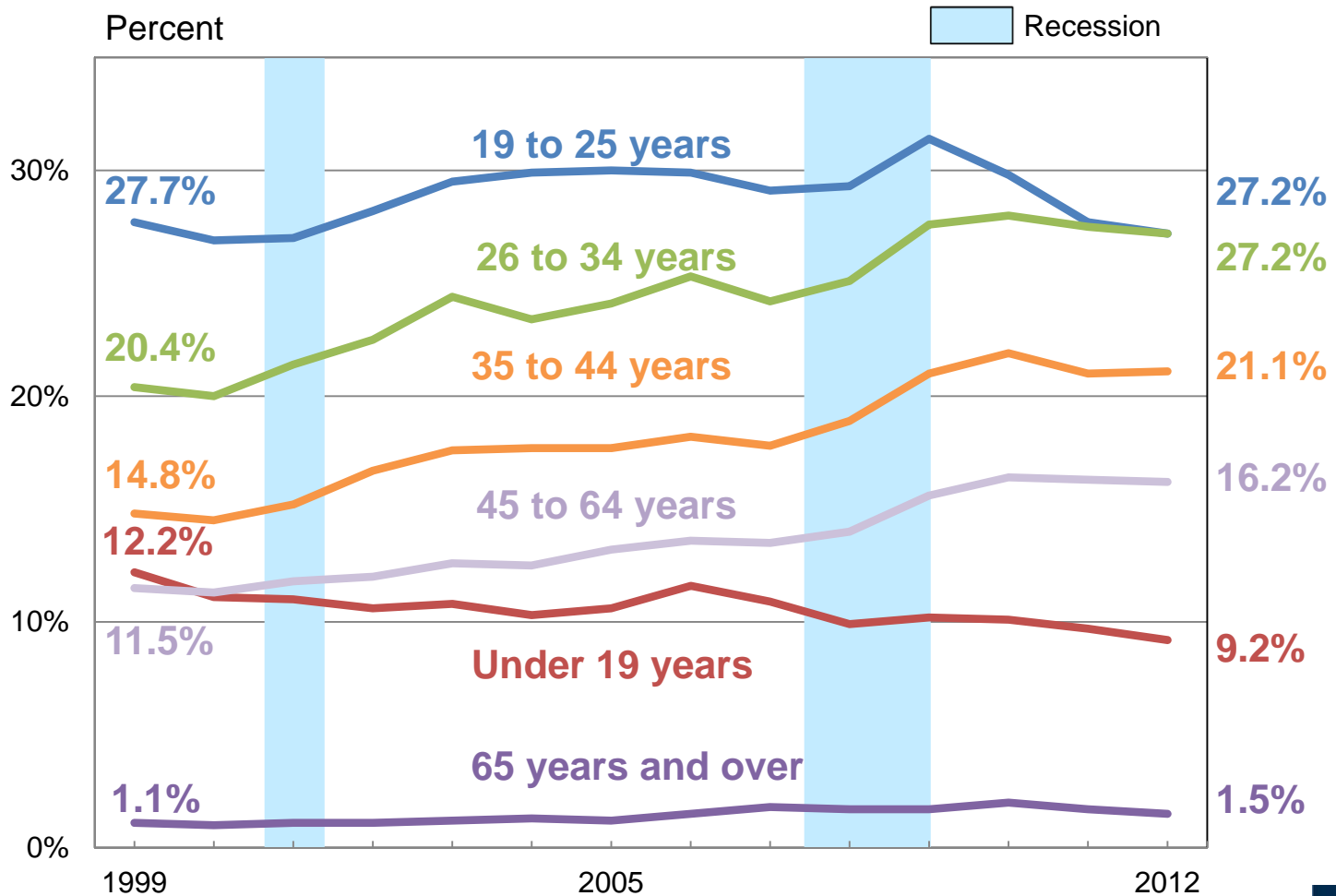
³The data for 1999 through 2009 were revised to reflect the results of enhancements to the editing process.

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Note: Respondents were not asked detailed health insurance questions before the 1988 Current Population Survey.

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Uninsured Rates by Age: 1999 to 2012



Uninsured Rates by Age: 1999 to 2012

(Percent)

Year	Under 19 years	Aged 19 to 25	Aged 26 to 34	Aged 35 to 44	Aged 45 to 64	65 years and over
1999 ^{1,2}	12.2	27.7	20.4	14.8	11.5	1.1
2000	11.1	26.9	20.0	14.5	11.3	1.0
2001	11.0	27.0	21.4	15.2	11.8	1.1
2002	10.6	28.2	22.5	16.7	12.0	1.1
2003	10.8	29.5	24.4	17.6	12.6	1.2
2004	10.3	29.9	23.4	17.7	12.5	1.3
2005	10.6	30.0	24.1	17.7	13.2	1.2
2006	11.6	29.9	25.3	18.2	13.6	1.5
2007	10.9	29.1	24.2	17.8	13.5	1.8
2008	9.9	29.3	25.1	18.9	14.0	1.7
2009	10.2	31.4	27.6	21.0	15.6	1.7
2010 ³	10.1	29.8	28.0	21.9	16.4	2.0
2011	9.7	27.7	27.5	21.0	16.3	1.7
2012	9.2	27.2	27.2	21.1	16.2	1.5

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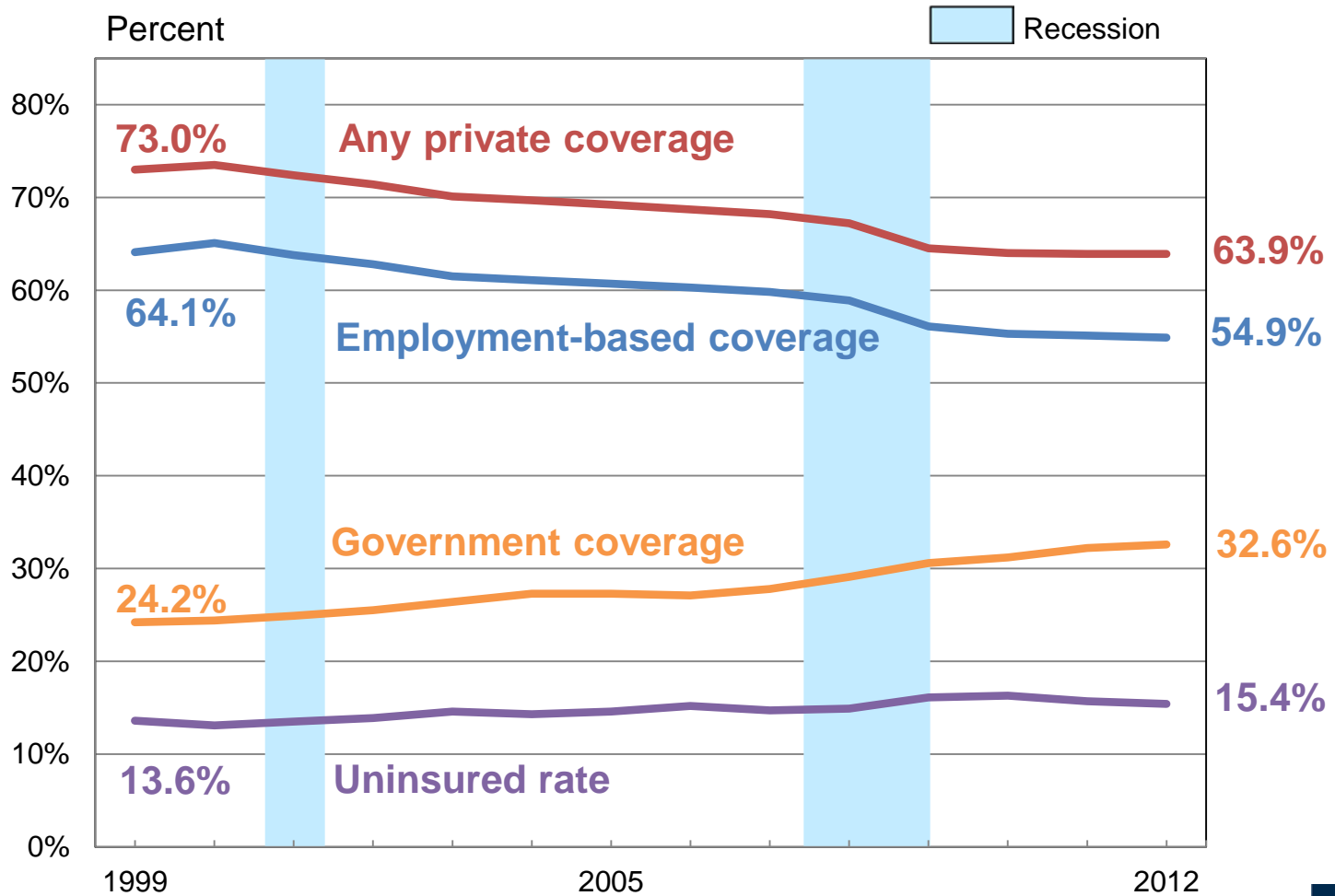
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People by Type of Health Insurance Coverage: 1999 to 2012



People by Type of Health Insurance Coverage: 1999 to 2012

(Percent)

Year	Private	Employment-Based	Government	Uninsured
1999 ^{1,2}	73.0	64.1	24.2	13.6
2000	73.5	65.1	24.4	13.1
2001	72.4	63.8	24.9	13.5
2002	71.4	62.8	25.5	13.9
2003	70.1	61.5	26.4	14.6
2004	69.7	61.1	27.3	14.3
2005	69.2	60.7	27.3	14.6
2006	68.7	60.3	27.1	15.2
2007	68.2	59.8	27.8	14.7
2008	67.2	58.9	29.1	14.9
2009	64.5	56.1	30.6	16.1
2010 ³	64.0	55.3	31.2	16.3
2011	63.9	55.1	32.2	15.7
2012	63.9	54.9	32.6	15.4

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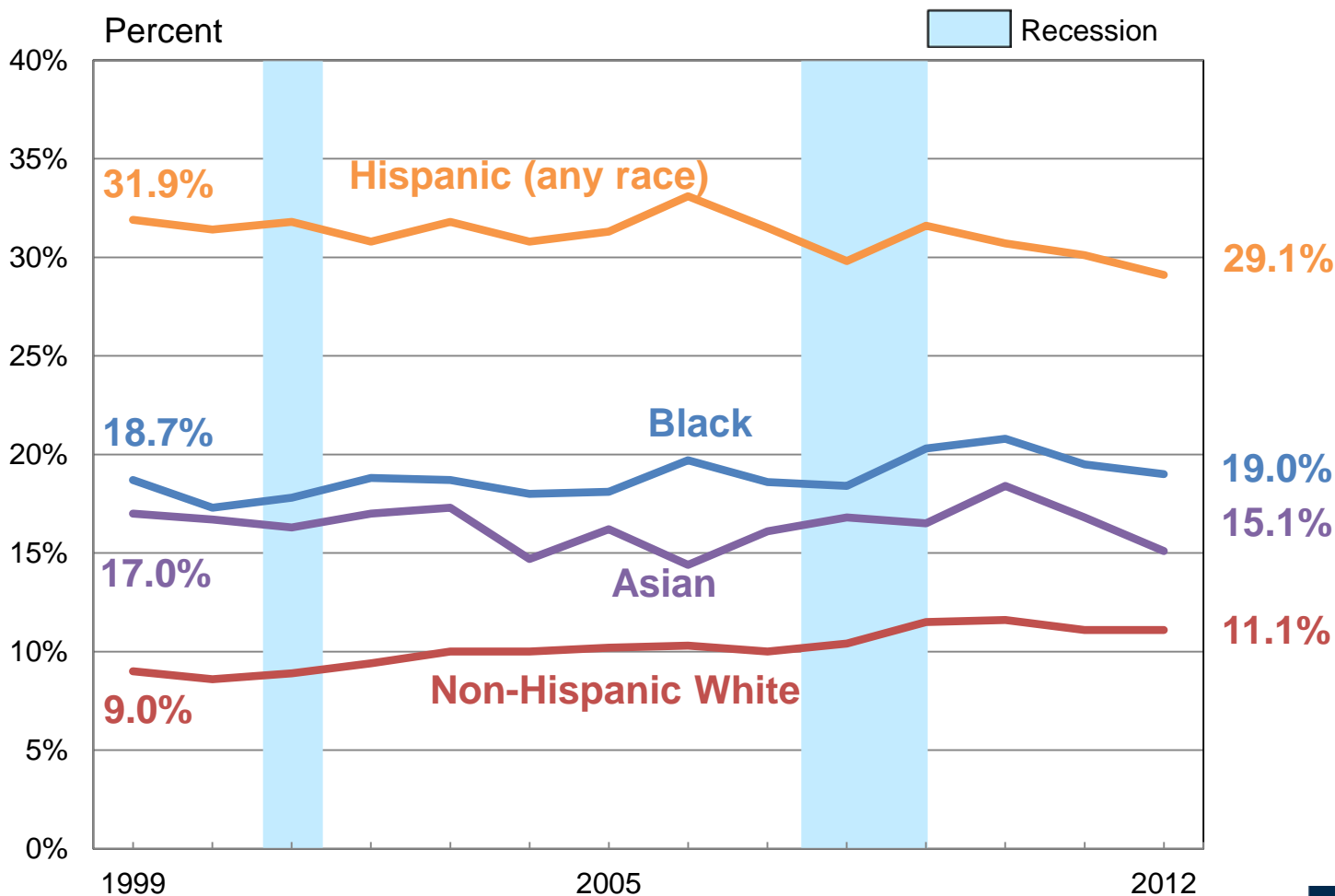
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Uninsured Rates by Race and Hispanic Origin: 1999 to 2012



Uninsured Rates by Race and Hispanic Origin: 1999 to 2012

(Percent)

Year	Non-Hispanic White	Black	Asian	Hispanic (any race)
1999 ^{1,2}	9.0	18.7	17.0	31.9
2000	8.6	17.3	16.7	31.4
2001	8.9	17.8	16.3	31.8
2002	9.4	18.8	17.0	30.8
2003	10.0	18.7	17.3	31.8
2004	10.0	18.0	14.7	30.8
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2010 ³	11.6	20.8	18.4	30.7
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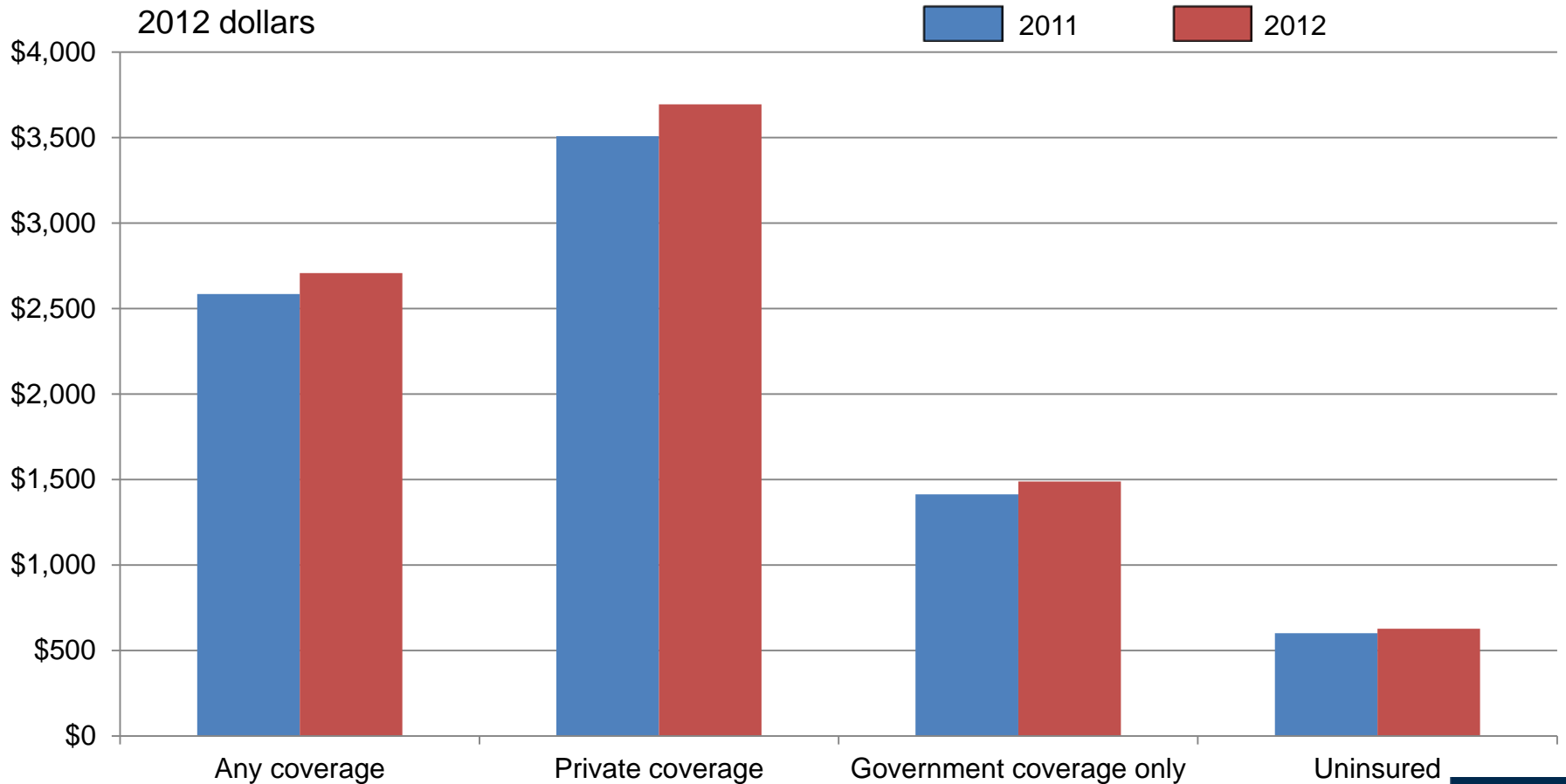
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Total Family Median Medical Out-of-Pocket Spending: 2011 and 2012



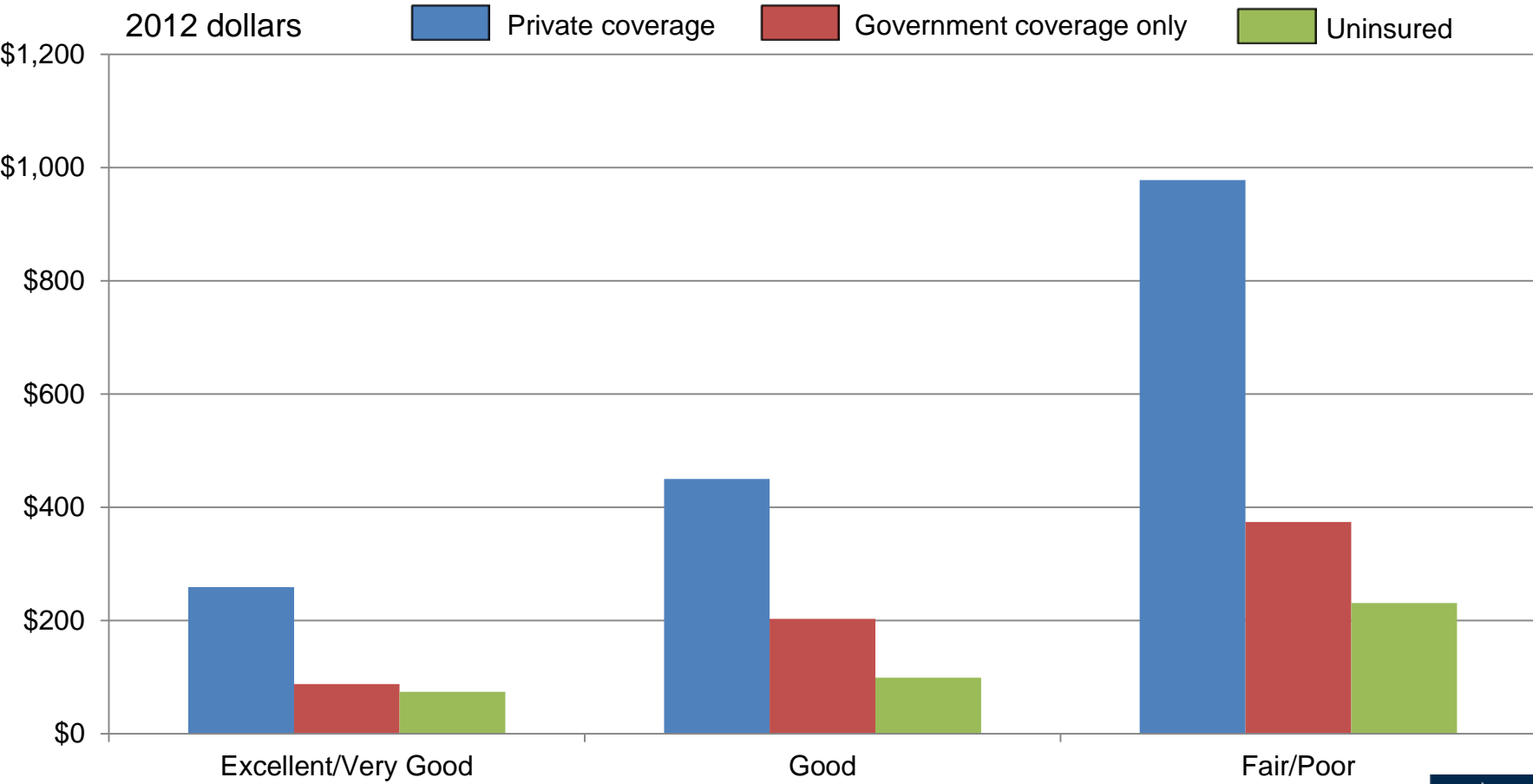
Total Family Median Medical Out-of-Pocket Spending for Individuals: 2011 and 2012

(2012 dollars)

	Any coverage	Private coverage	Government coverage only	Uninsured
2011	\$2,584	\$3,507	\$1,383	\$601
2012	\$2,707	\$3,693	\$1,443	\$627

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Survey, 2012 and 2013 Annual Social and Economic Supplements.
For information on confidentiality protection, sampling error, nonsampling error, and definitions, see <www.census.gov/prod/techdoc/cps/cpsmar13.pdf>.

Median Medical Out-of-Pocket Non-Premium Spending by Health Status: 2012



Median Medical Out-of-Pocket Non-Premium Spending by Health Status: 2012

(2012 dollars)

	Private coverage	Government coverage only	Uninsured
Excellent/Very Good	\$259	\$88	\$74
Good	\$450	\$203	\$99
Fair/Poor	\$978	\$374	\$231

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Survey, 2013 Annual Social and Economic Supplement.

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