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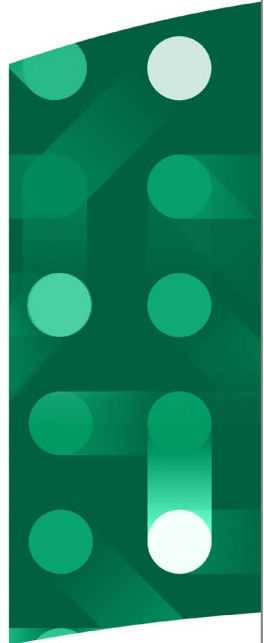
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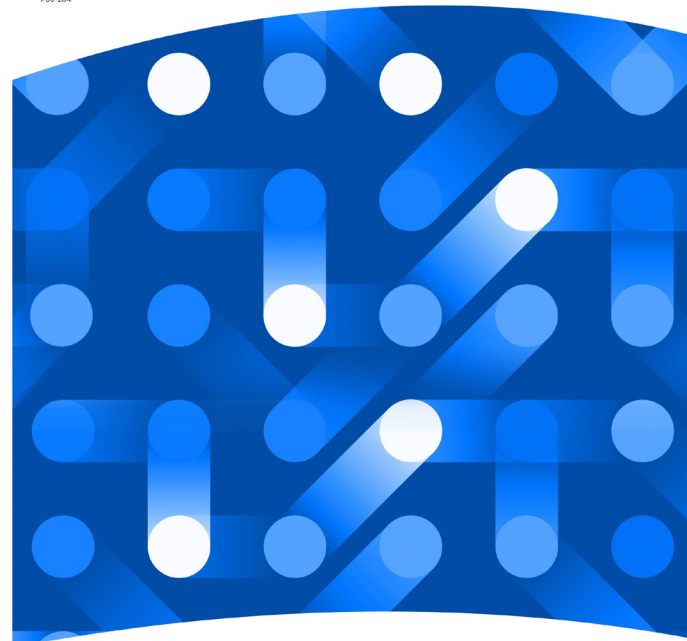


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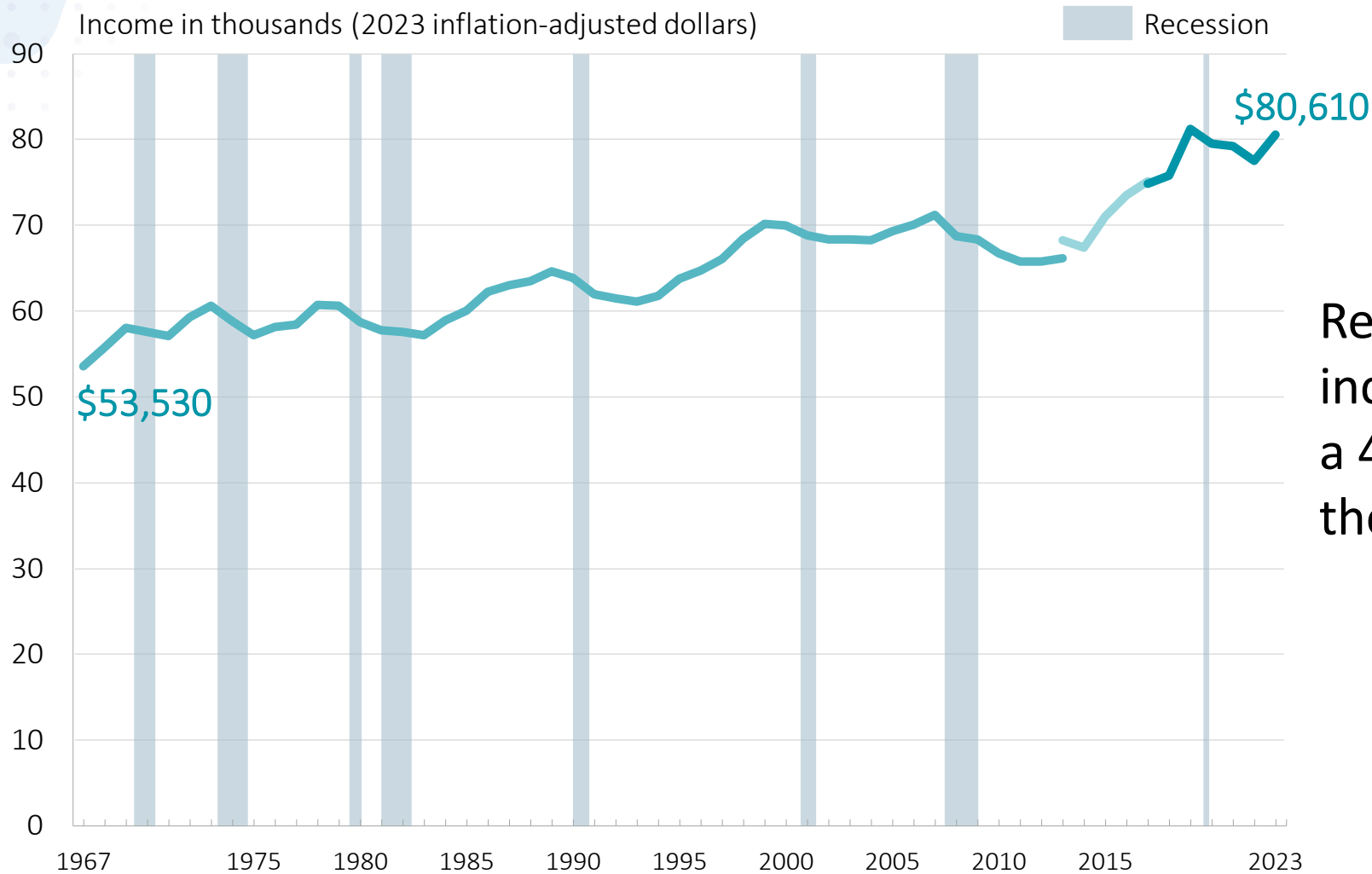
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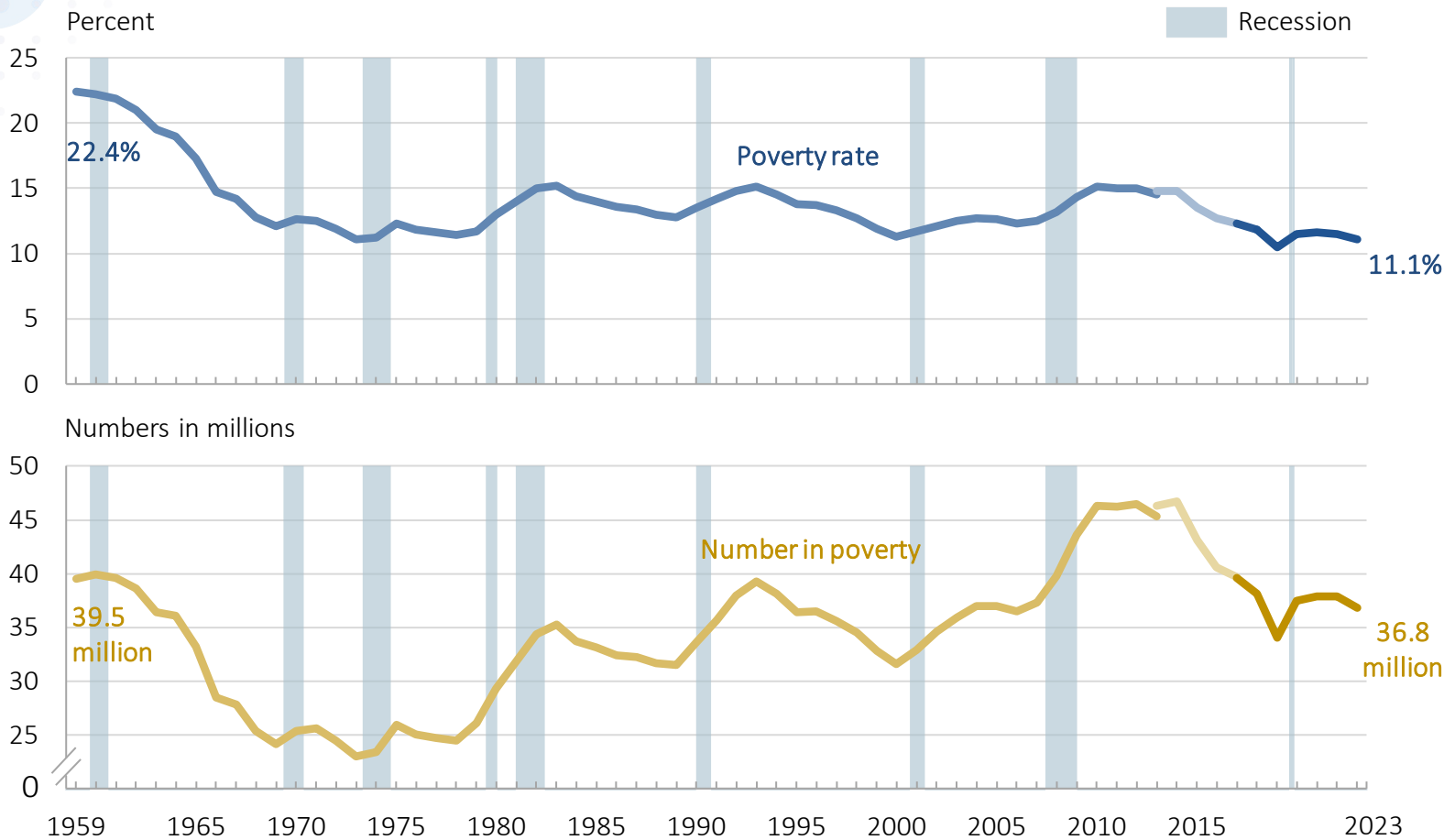
Data are based on the Current Population Survey Annual Social and Economic Supplement (CPS ASEC) from February, March, and April 2024.

Real Median Household Income: 1967 to 2023



Real median household income was \$80,610 in 2023, a 4.0 percent increase from the 2022 estimate of \$77,540.

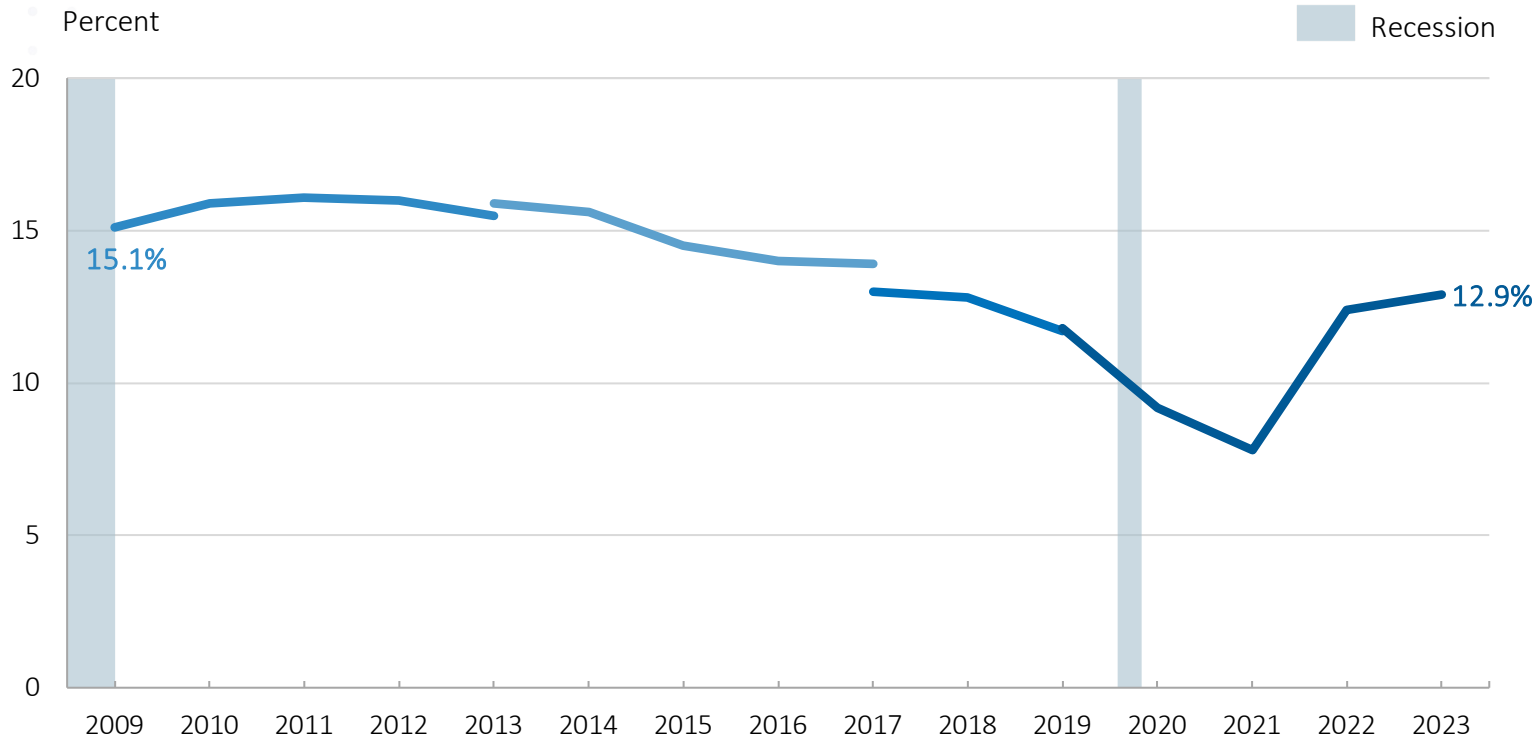
Poverty Rate and Number of People in Poverty: 1959 to 2023



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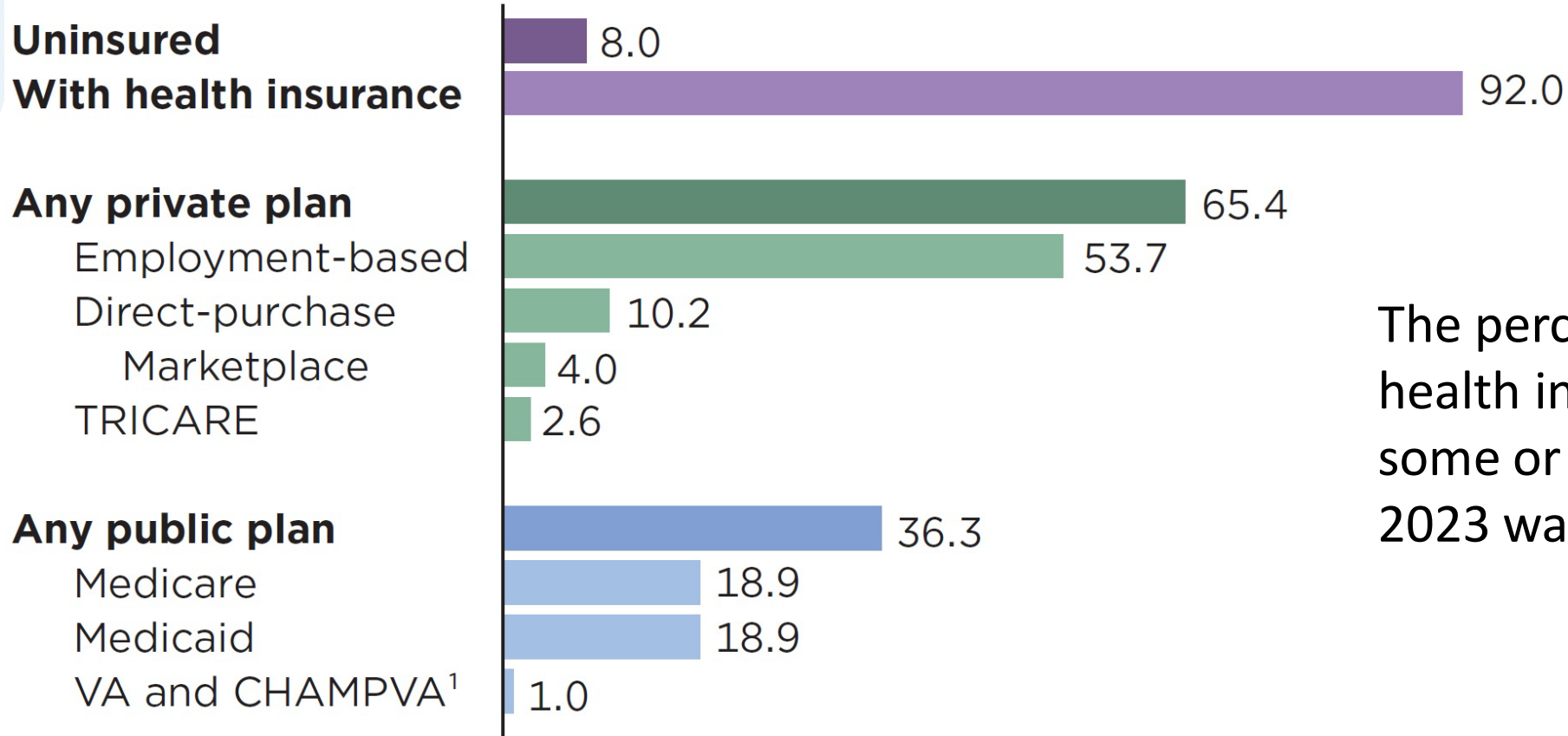
There were 36.8 million people in poverty, not statistically different from 2022.

SPM Rate: 2009 to 2023



The Supplemental Poverty Measure (SPM) rate in 2023 was 12.9 percent, an increase of 0.5 percentage points from 2022.

Health Insurance Coverage: 2023



The percentage of people with health insurance coverage for some or all of the calendar year 2023 was 92.0 percent.

¹Includes CHAMPVA (Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Department of Veterans Affairs), as well as care provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs and the military.

Note: The estimates by type of coverage are not mutually exclusive; people can be covered by more than one type of health insurance.

Population as of March of the following year.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Survey, 2024 Annual Social and Economic Supplement (CPS ASEC), Table H-01.



INCOME AND POVERTY ESTIMATES

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What is Money Income?

INCLUDES:

- Wages and earnings
- Social Security
- Unemployment
- Retirement
- Interest & dividends
- Public assistance



DOES NOT INCLUDE:

- Taxes paid
- Tax credits
- Noncash assistance (SNAP, Medicaid, etc.)

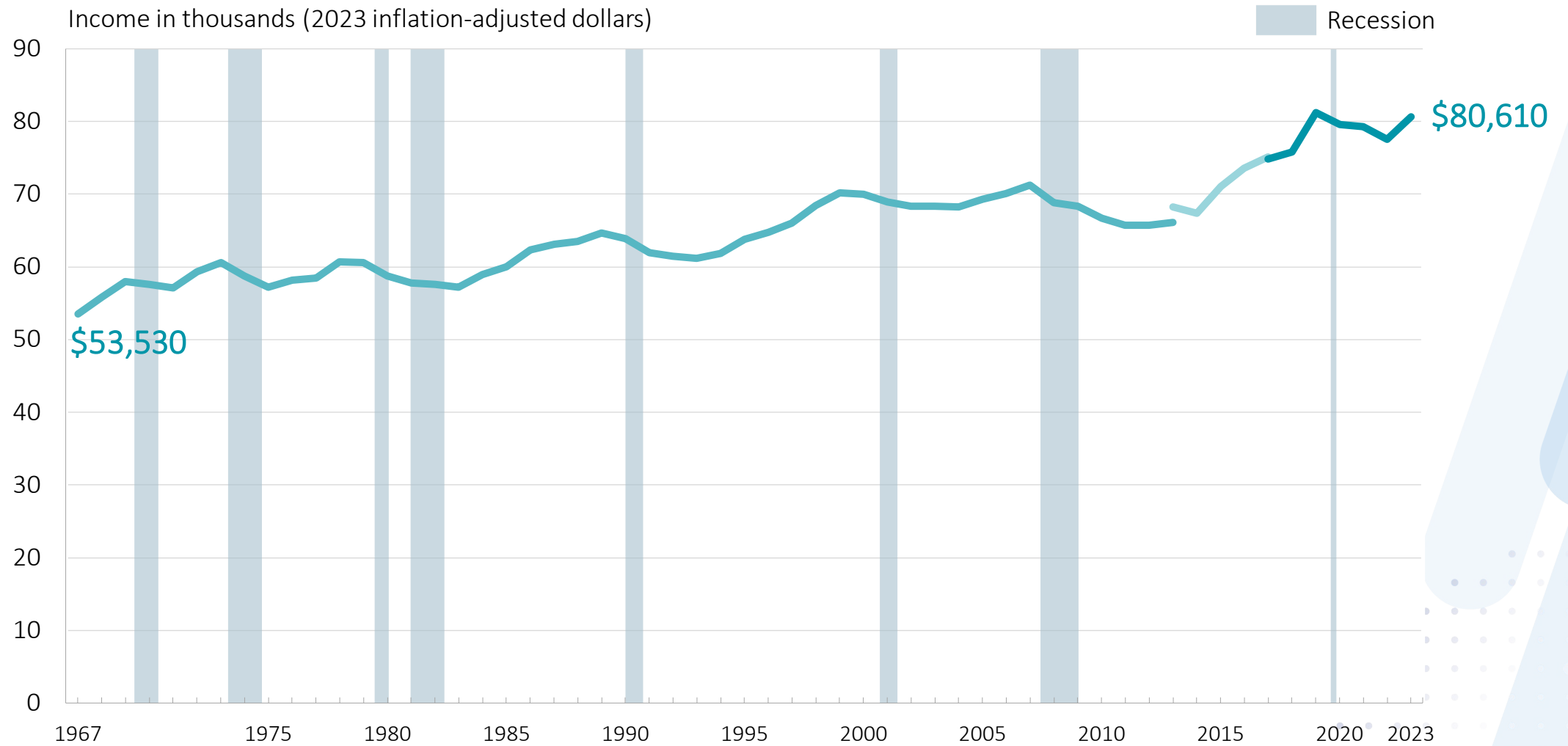
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Between 2022 and 2023:

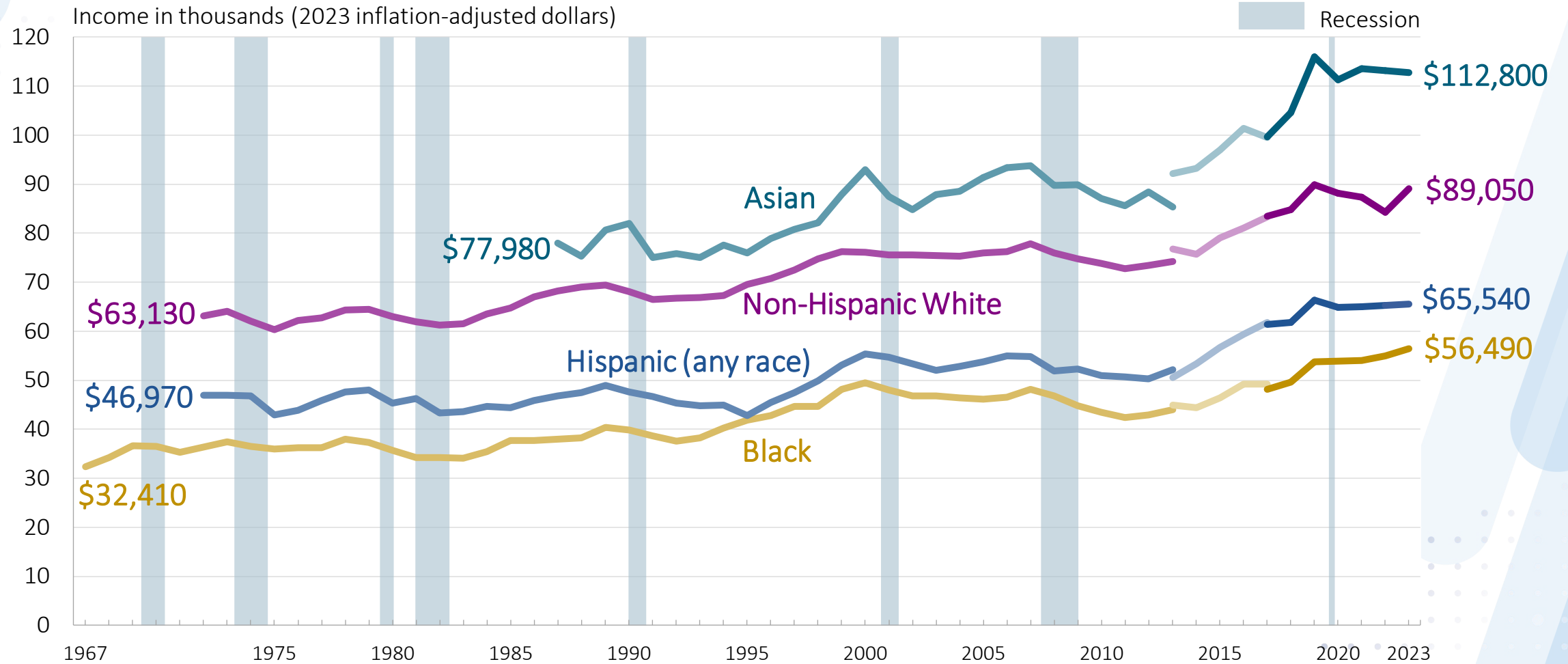
- Real median household income increased by 4.0 percent.
- Household income rose throughout the income distribution.
- Real median earnings increased for men and women who worked full-time, year-round.
- For full-time, year-round workers, the female-to-male earnings ratio in 2023 fell to 82.7 percent.



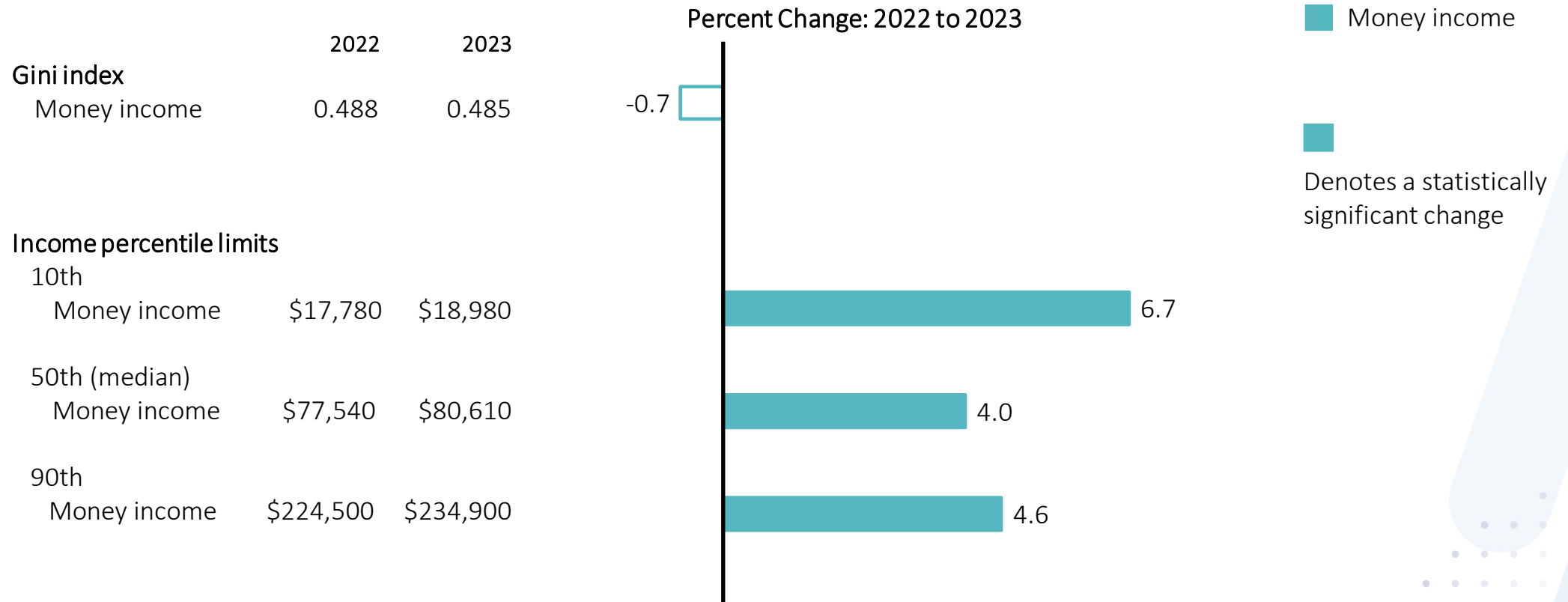
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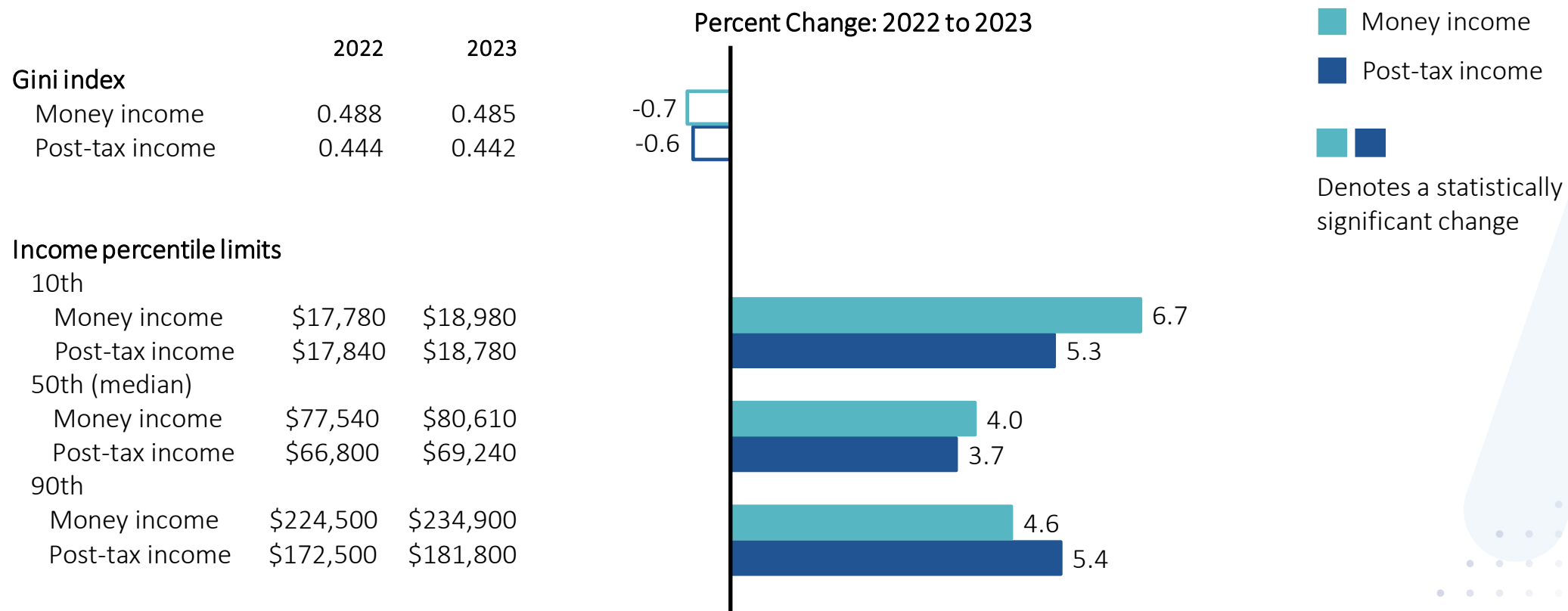
Real Median Household Income by Race and Hispanic Origin of Householder: 1967 to 2023



Percent Change in Income Distribution Measures Using Money Income: 2022 to 2023

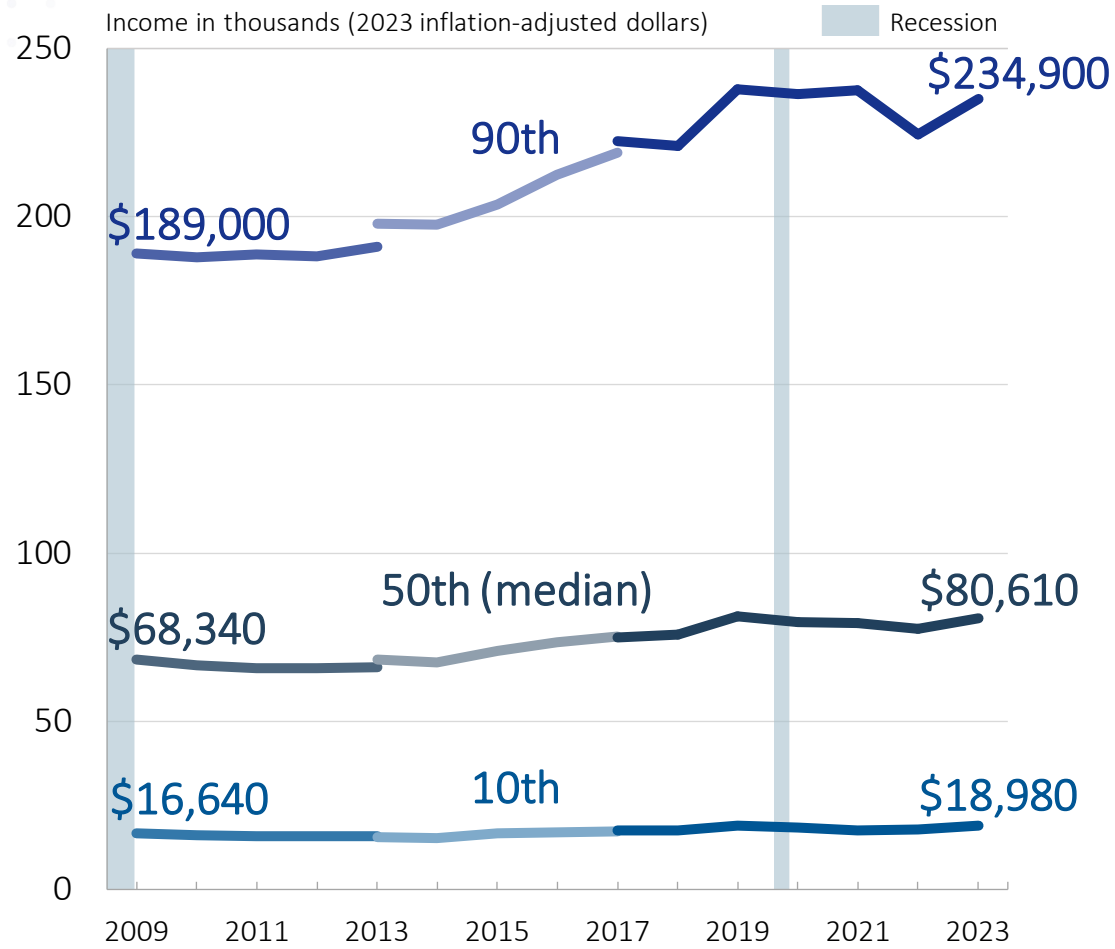


Percent Change in Income Distribution Measures Using Money Income and Post-Tax Income: 2022 to 2023

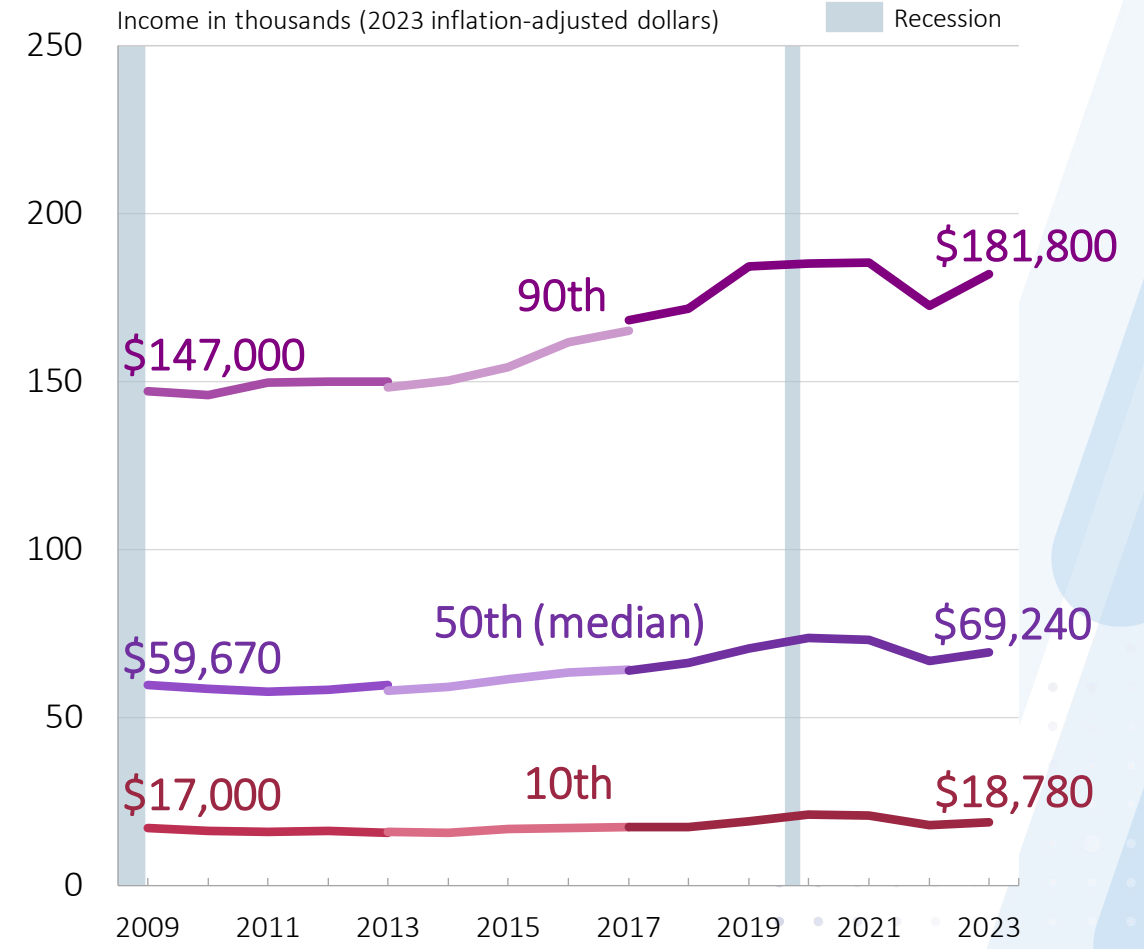


Household Income at Selected Percentiles: 2009 to 2023

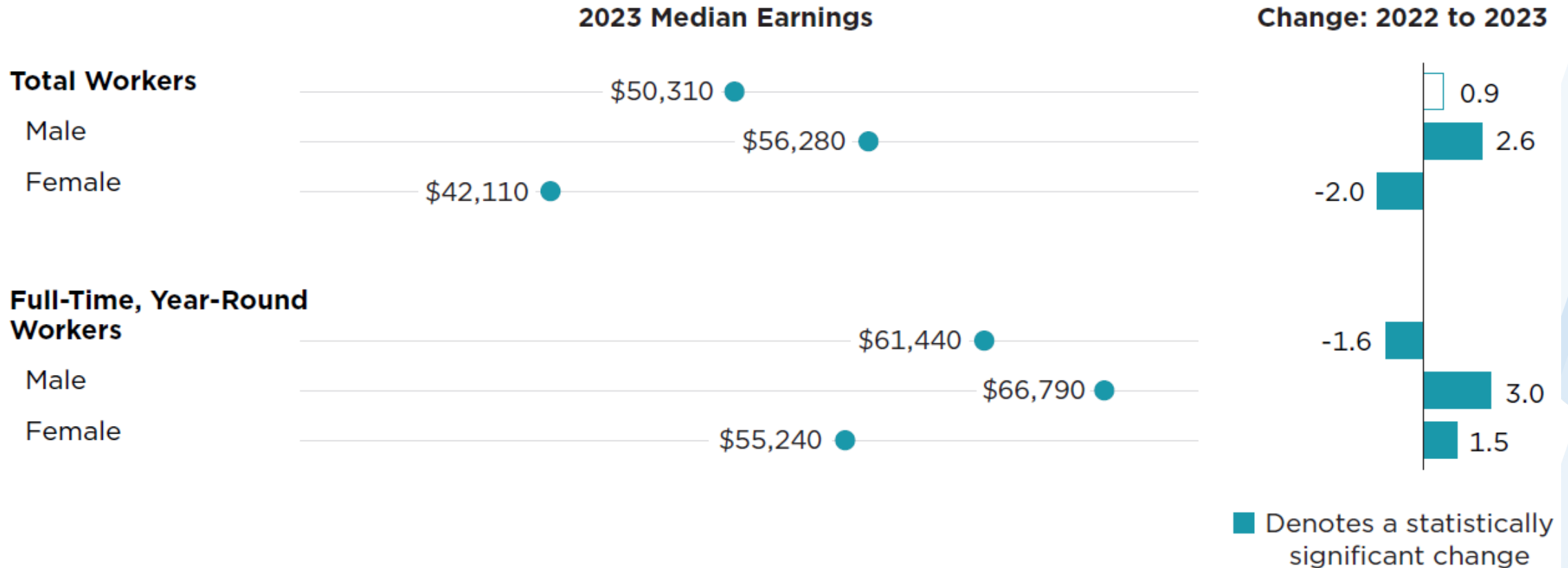
Pretax Money Income



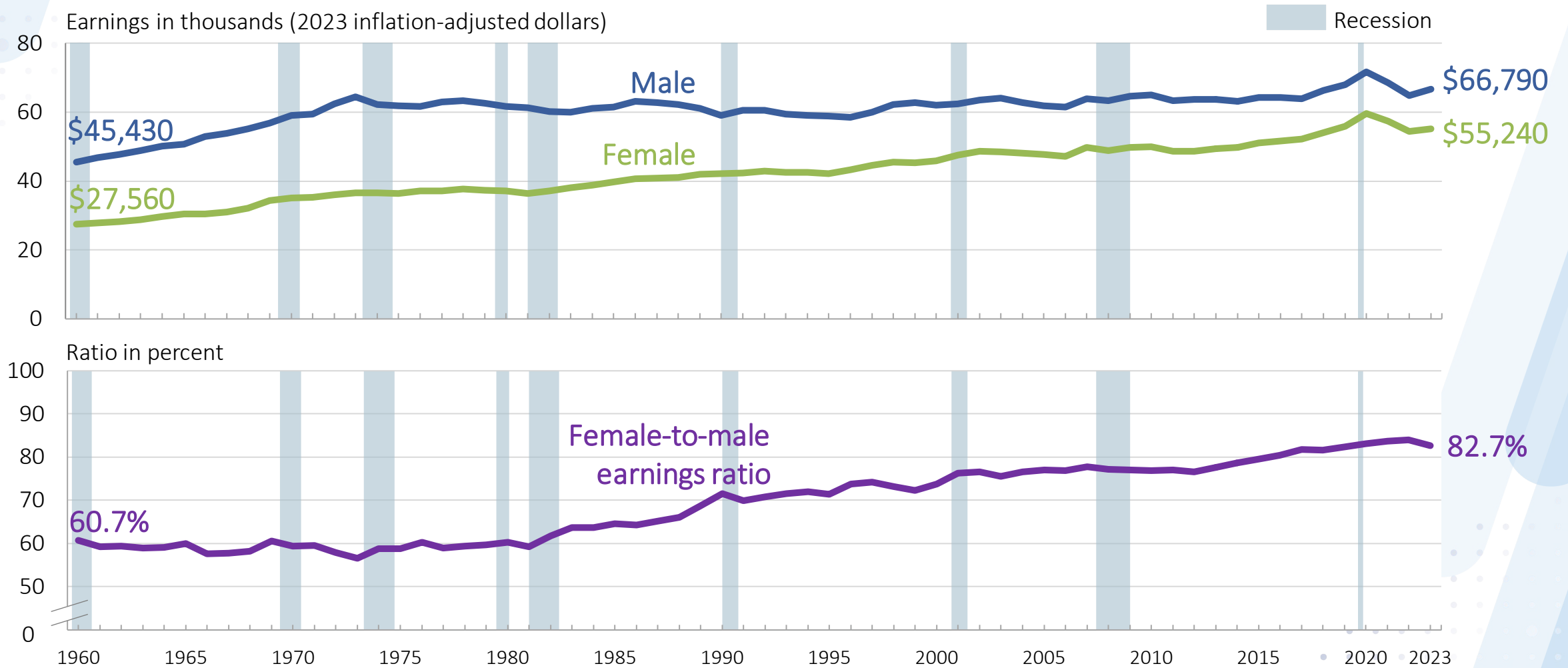
Post-Tax Income



Median Earnings and Percent Change by Work Status and Sex: 2022 to 2023



Median Earnings by Sex and Female-to-Male Earnings Ratio: 1960 to 2023



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- The Census Bureau releases two distinct indicators of economic well-being in the United States: the official poverty measure and the Supplemental Poverty Measure (SPM).
- The official poverty rate fell 0.4 percentage points to 11.1 percent in 2023.
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How the Census Bureau Measures Poverty: Official Poverty

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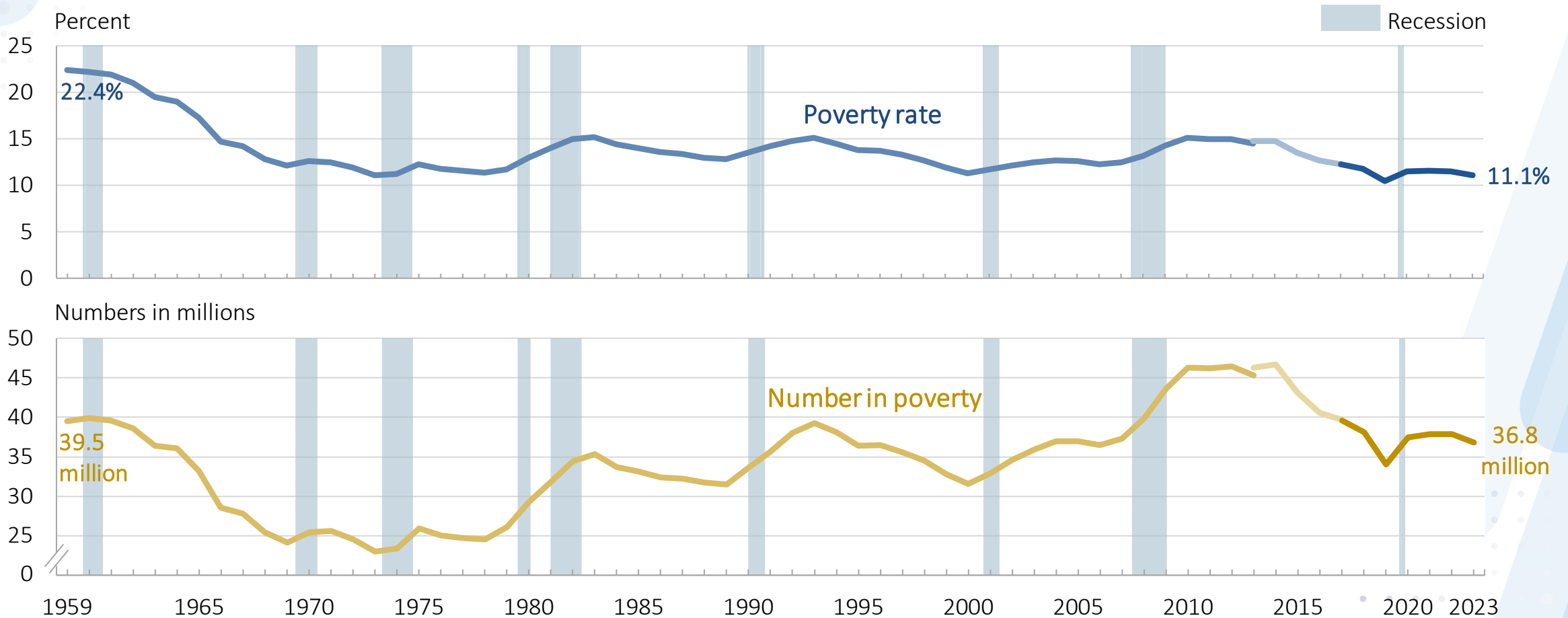


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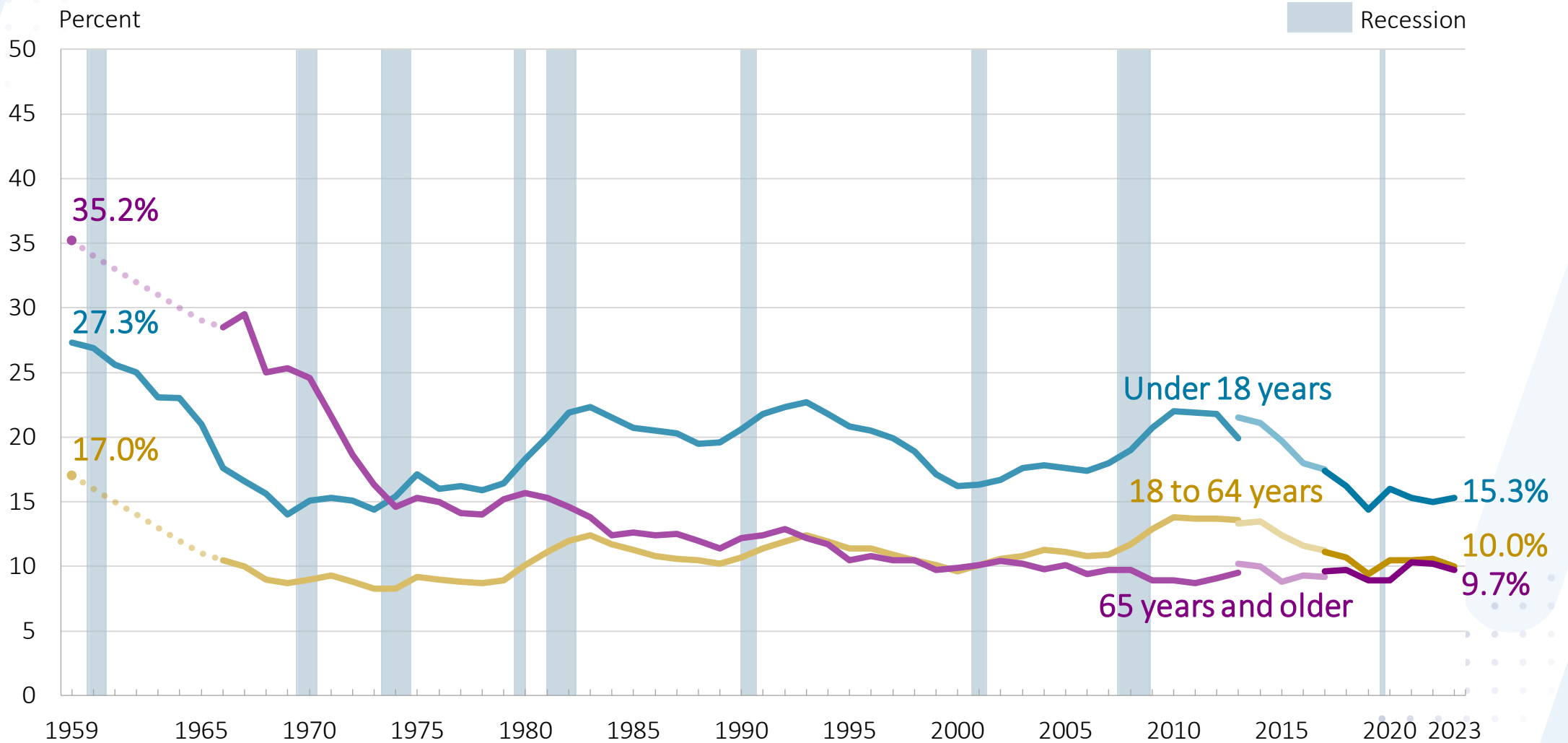
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- Noncash assistance
(SNAP, Medicaid, etc.)

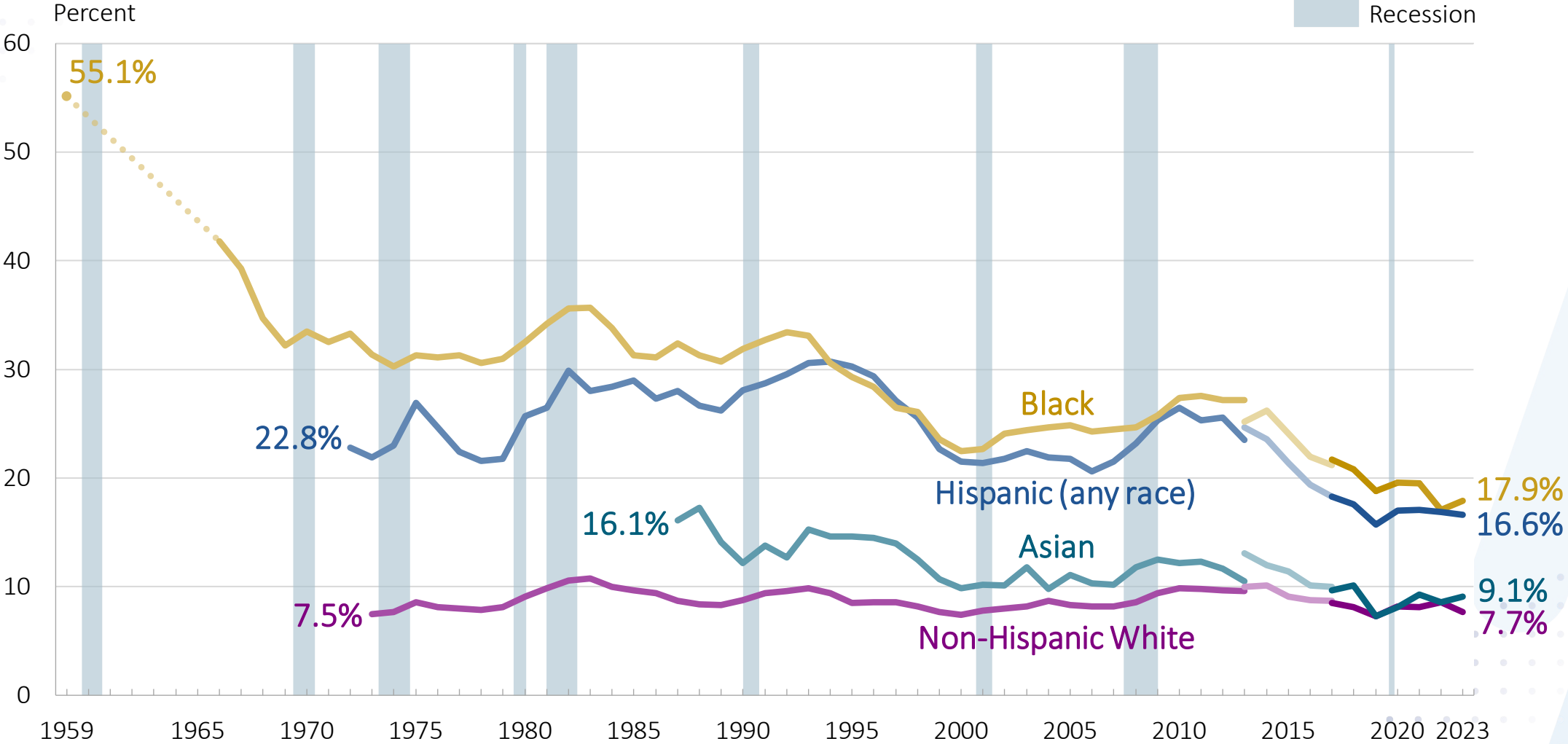
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Poverty Rates by Age: 1959 to 2023



Poverty Rates by Race and Hispanic Origin: 1959 to 2023

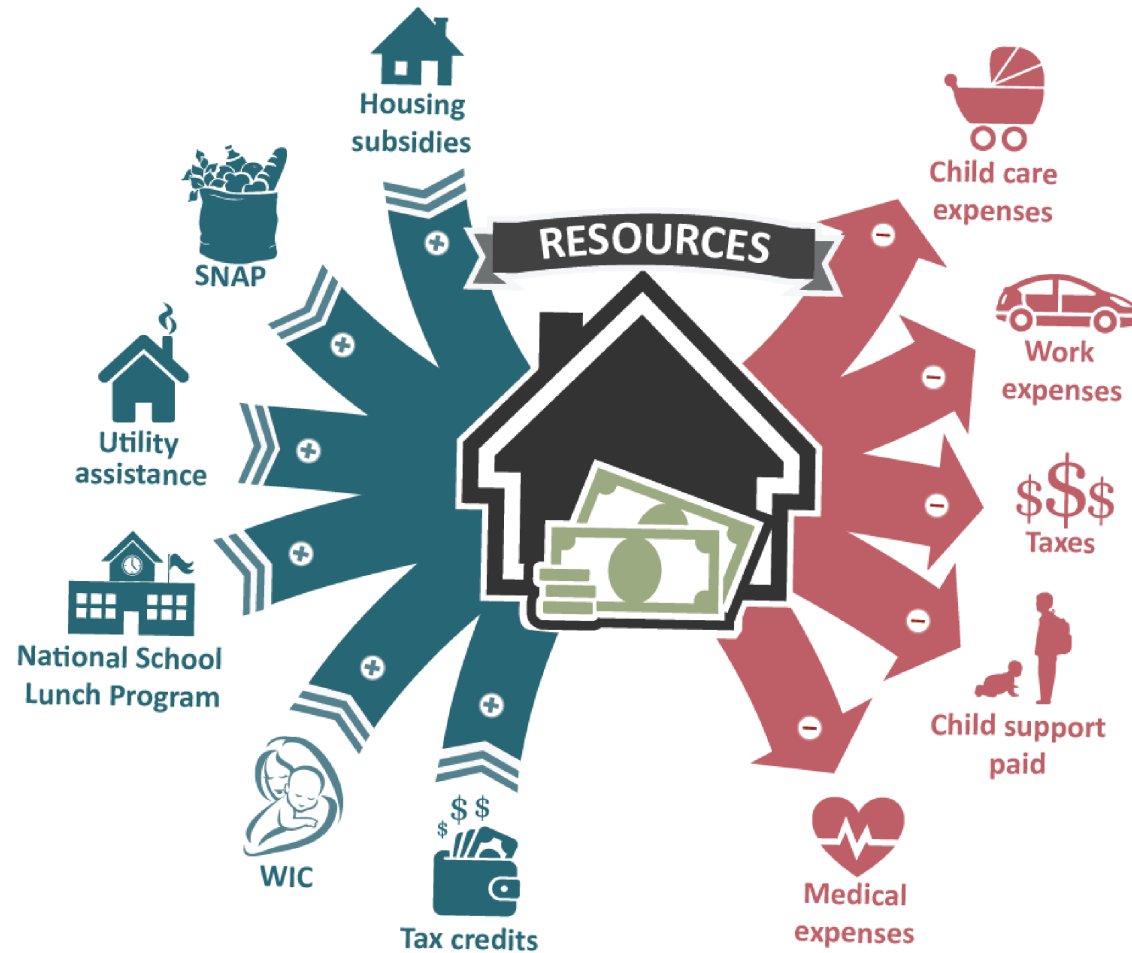


Note: Population as of March of the following year. The data for 2017 and beyond reflect the implementation of the updated processing system. The data for 2013 and beyond reflect the implementation of the redesigned income questions. Data for Black individuals are not available from 1960 to 1965. Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Survey, 1960 to 2024 Annual Social and Economic Supplements (CPS ASEC), Table A-3.

Supplemental Poverty Measure (SPM)



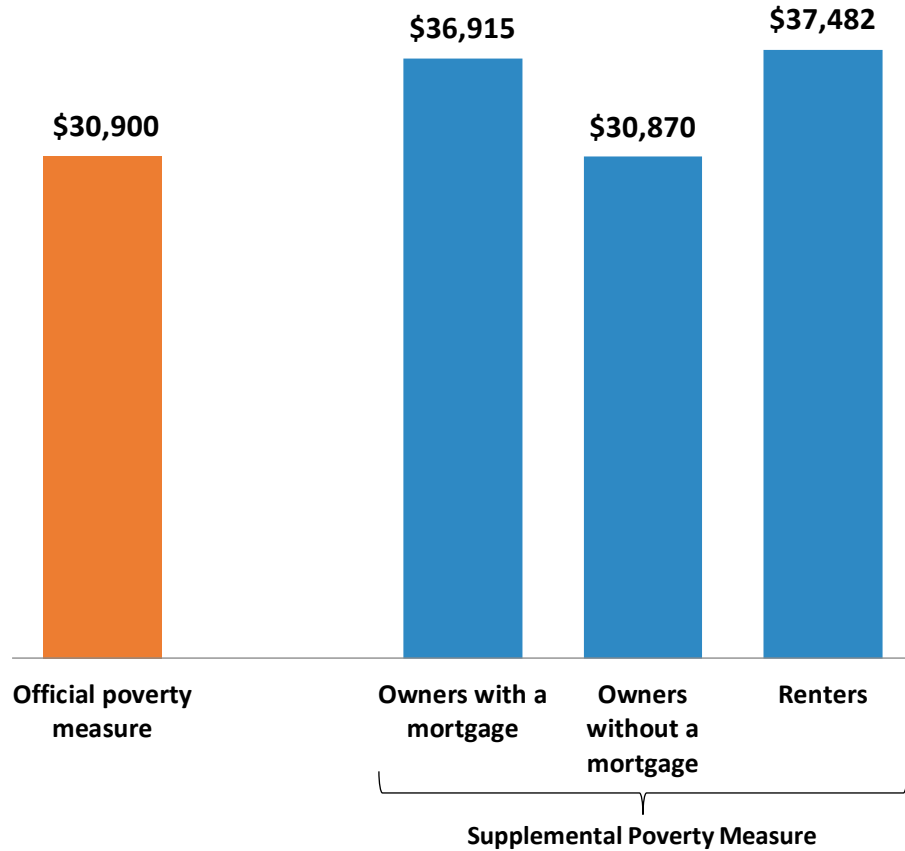
How the Census Bureau Measures Poverty: Supplemental Poverty Measure



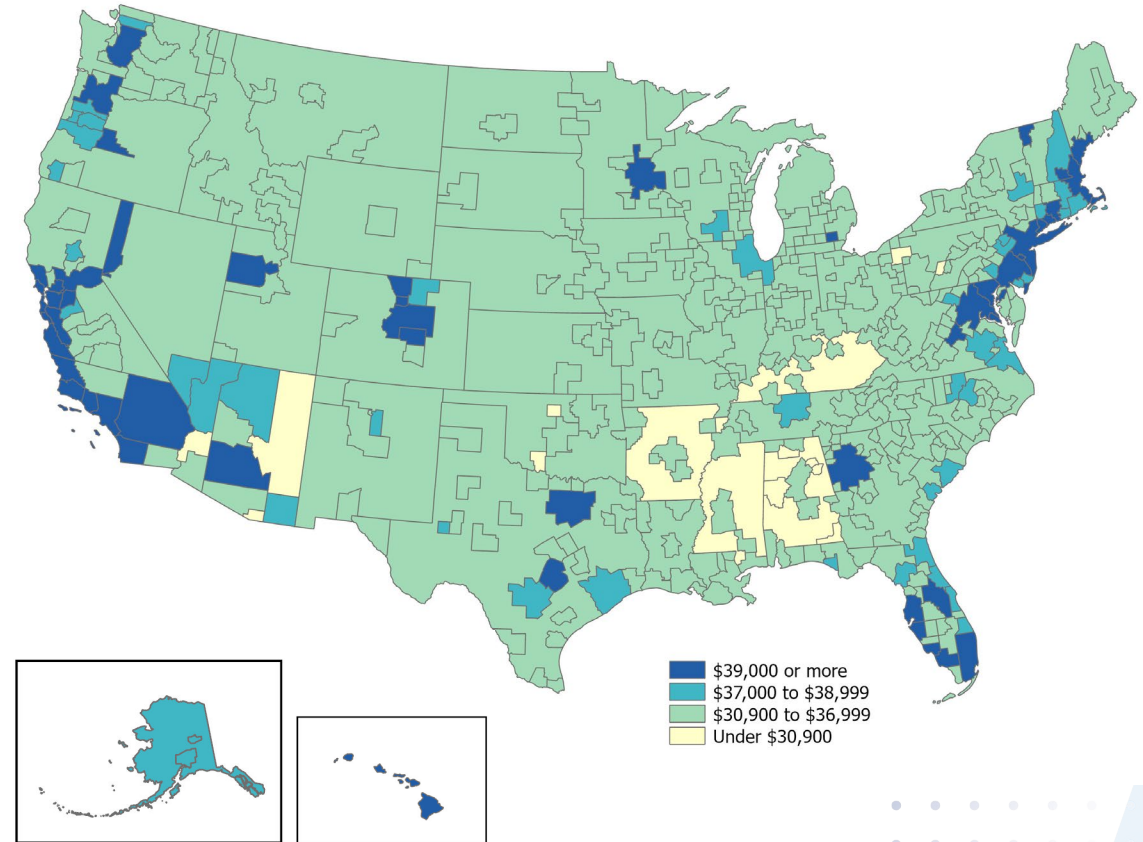
Threshold adjusted for family composition,
housing tenure, and geographic variation

Official and SPM Thresholds for Units with Two Adults and Two Children

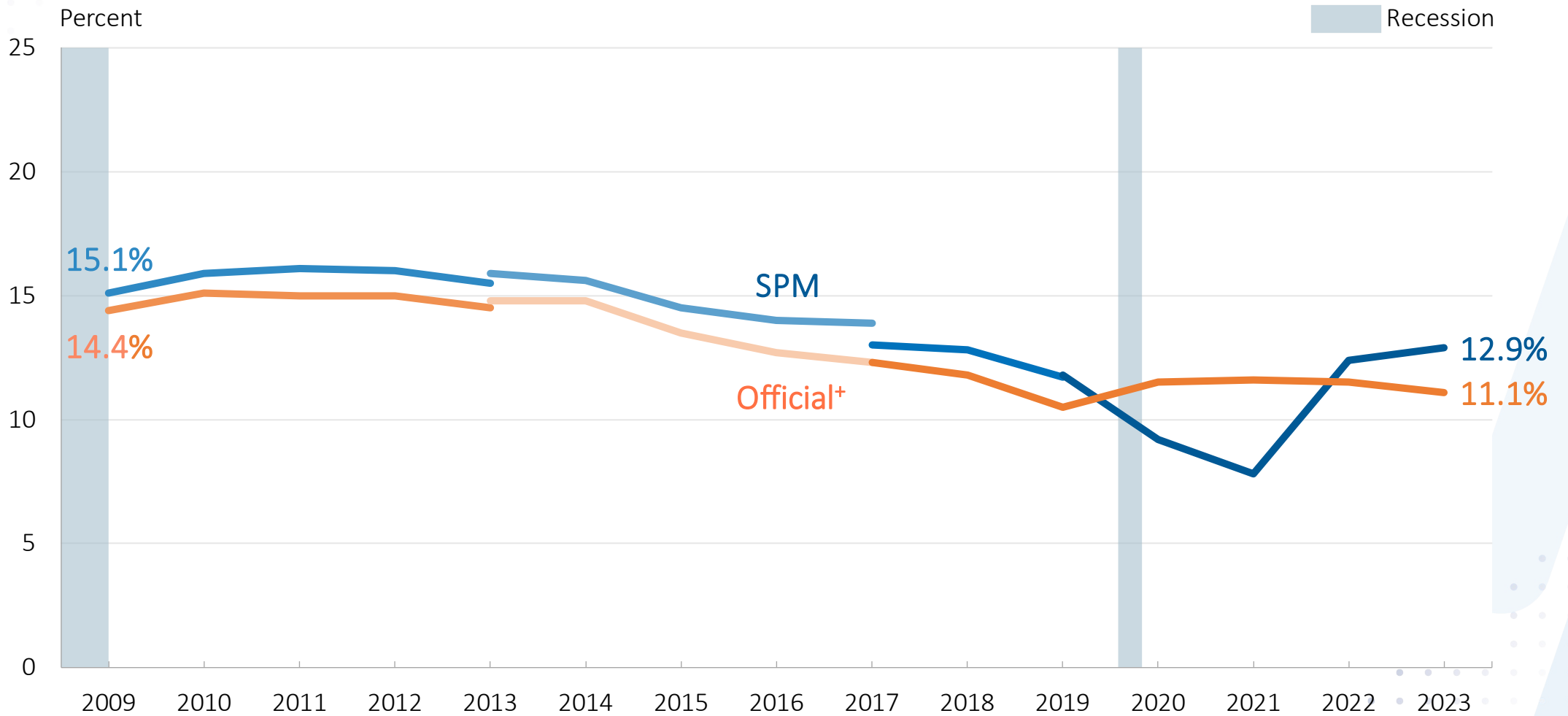
Poverty Measure Thresholds: 2023



Supplemental Poverty Measure Thresholds for Renters: 2023



Poverty Rates Using Official+ and the SPM: 2009 to 2023

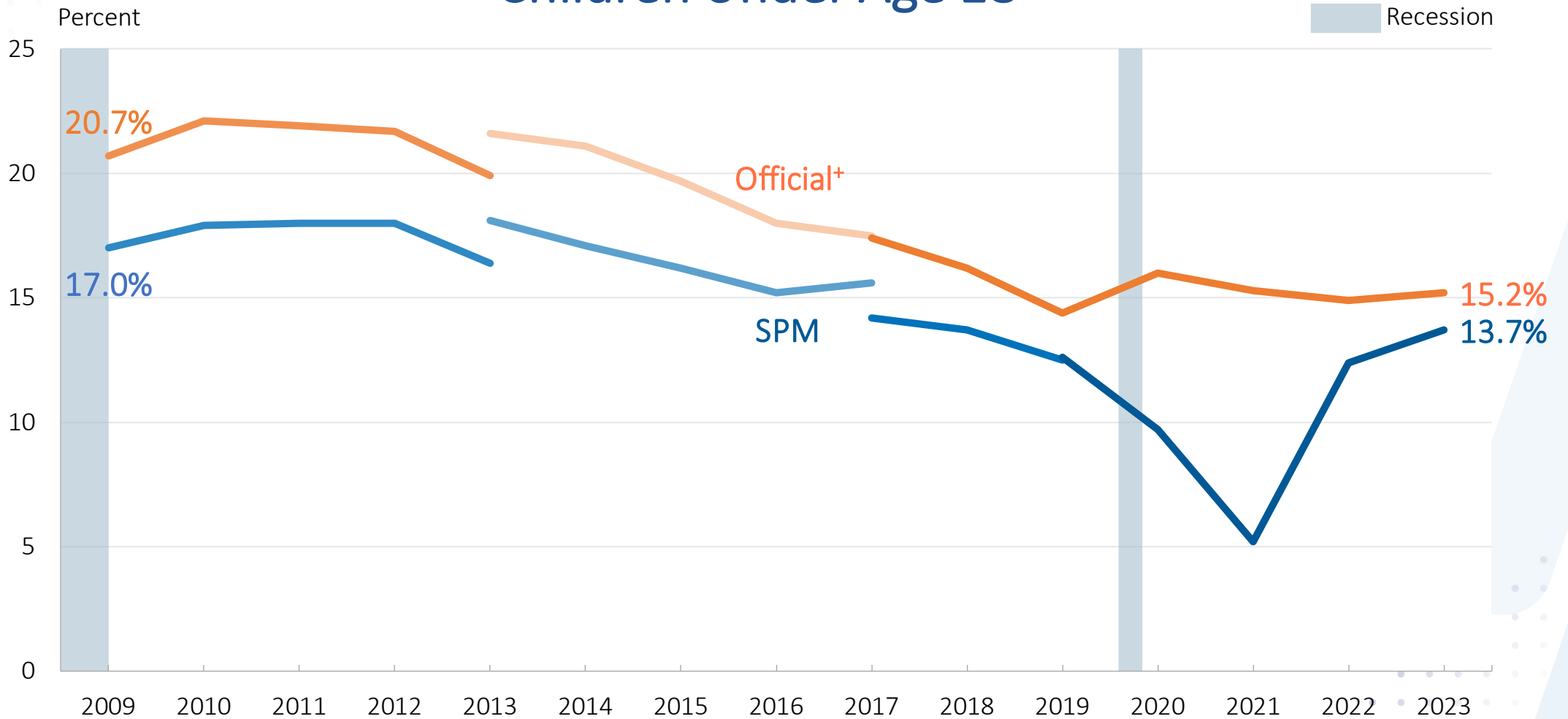


Note: SPM - Supplemental Poverty Measure. Population as of March of the following year. Official+ includes unrelated individuals under the age of 15. The SPM estimates for 2019 and beyond reflect the implementation of revised SPM methodology. The data for 2017 and beyond reflect the implementation of an updated processing system. The data for 2013 and beyond reflect the implementation of the redesigned income questions.

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Children Under Age 18

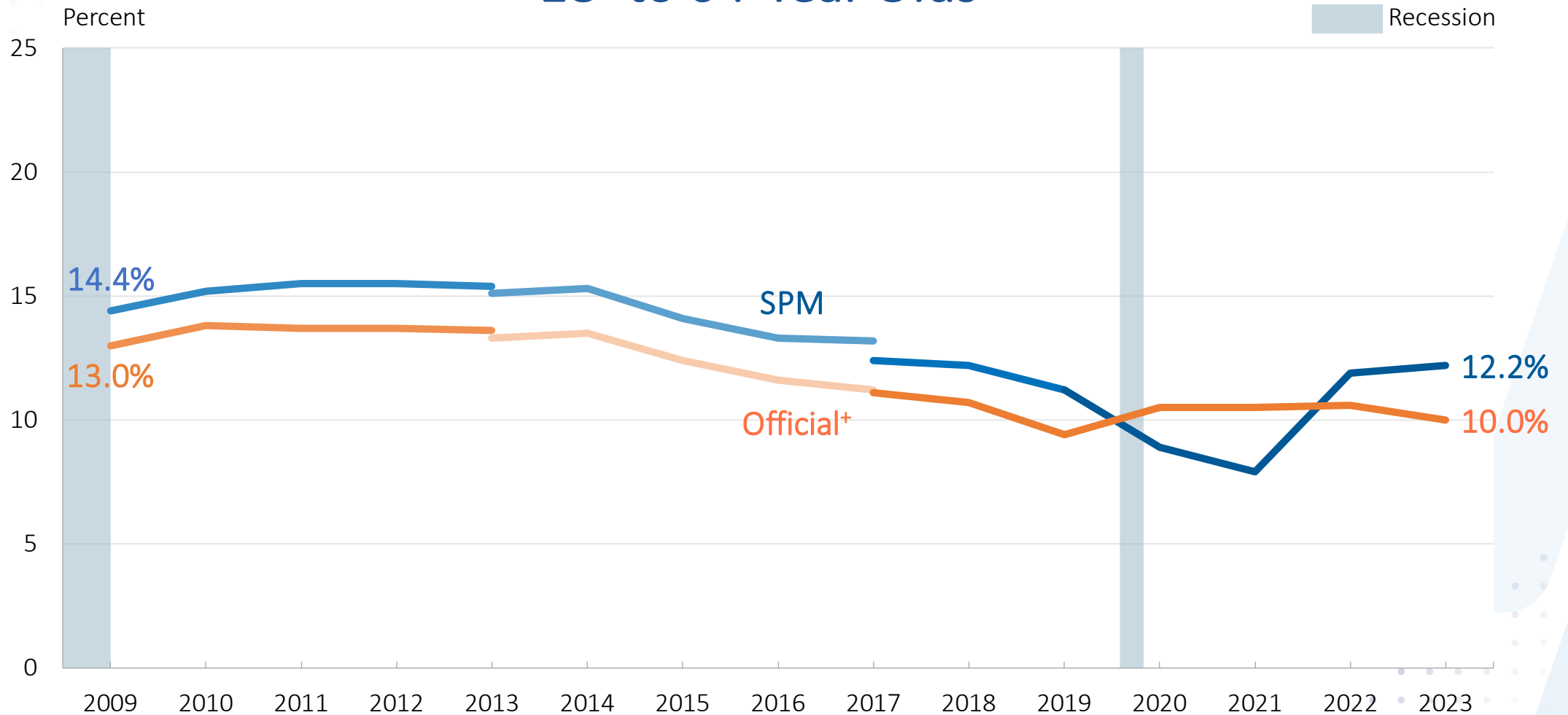


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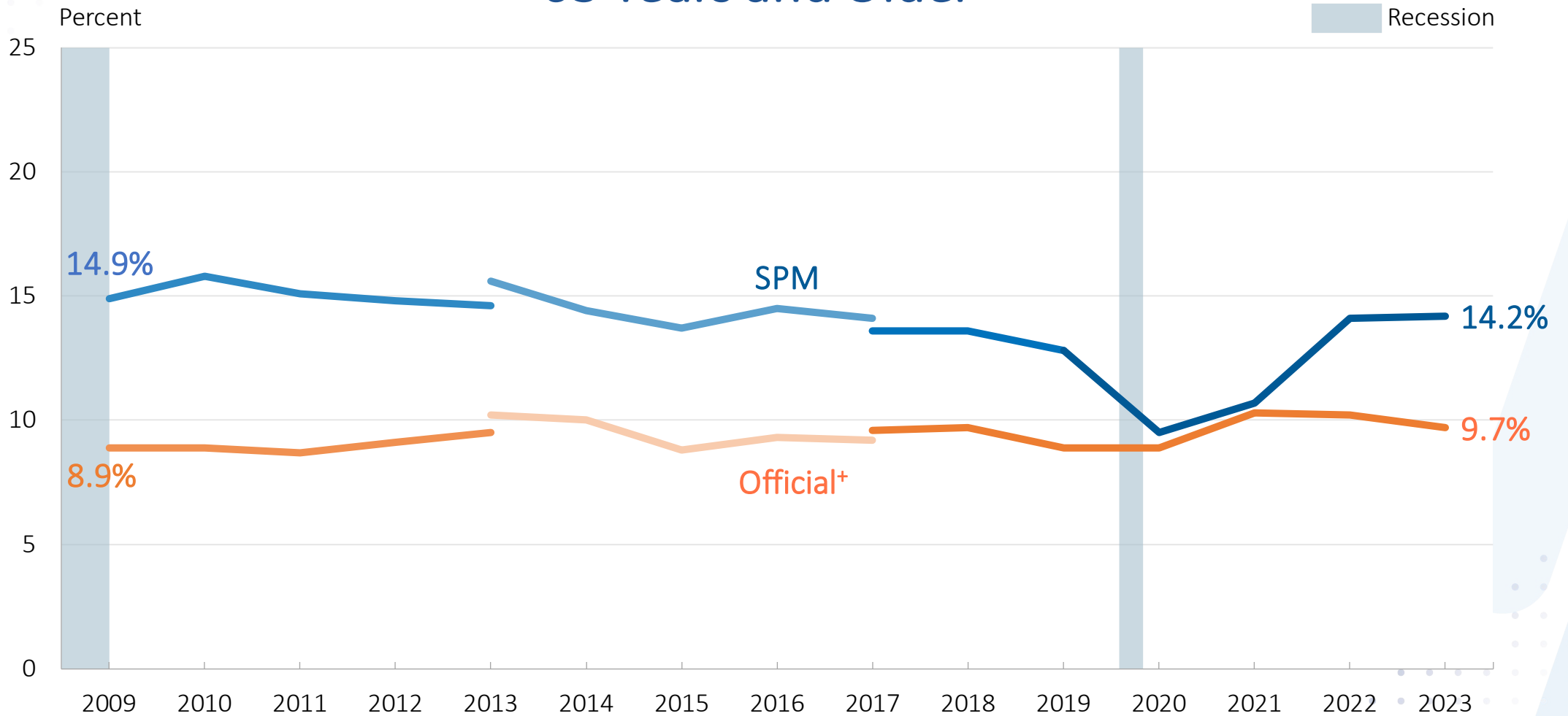
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18- to 64-Year Olds

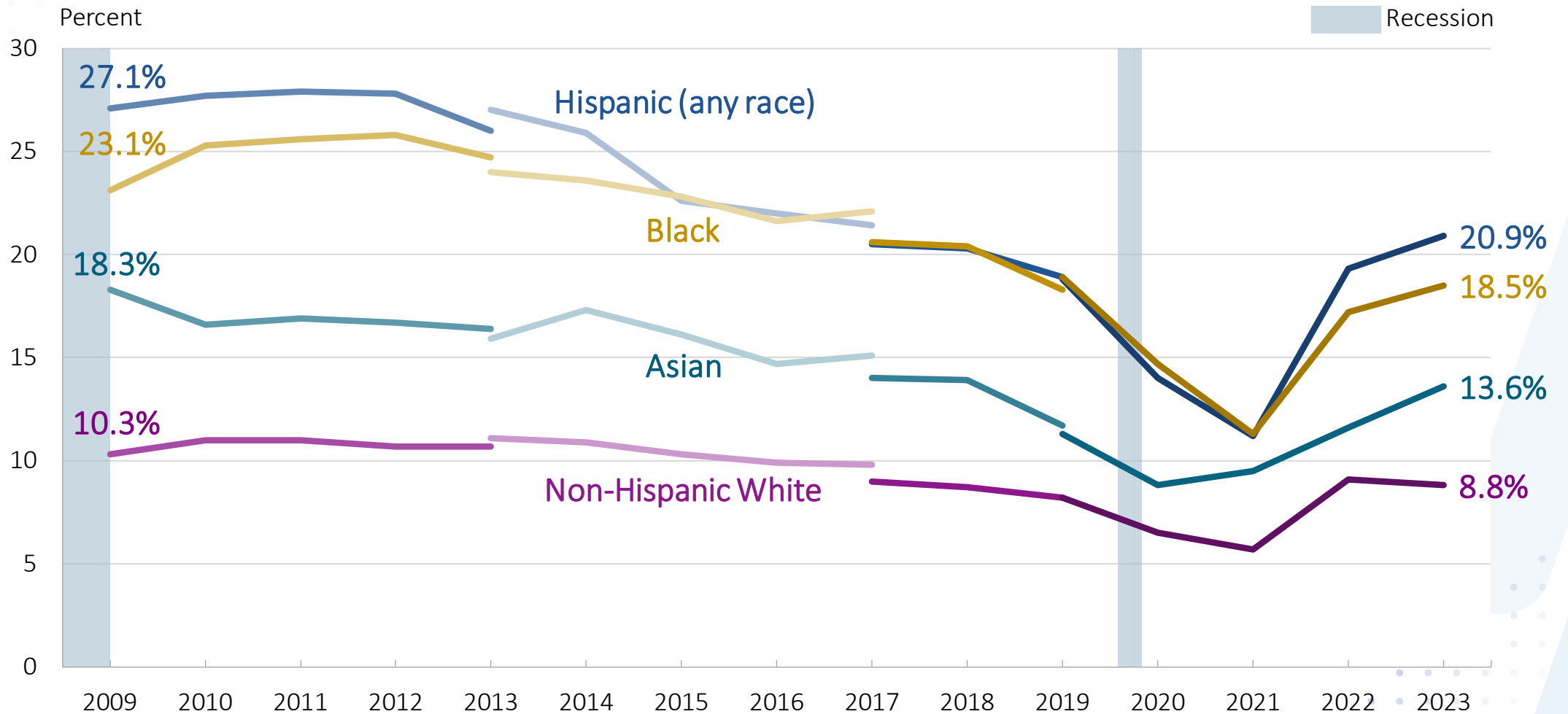


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65 Years and Older

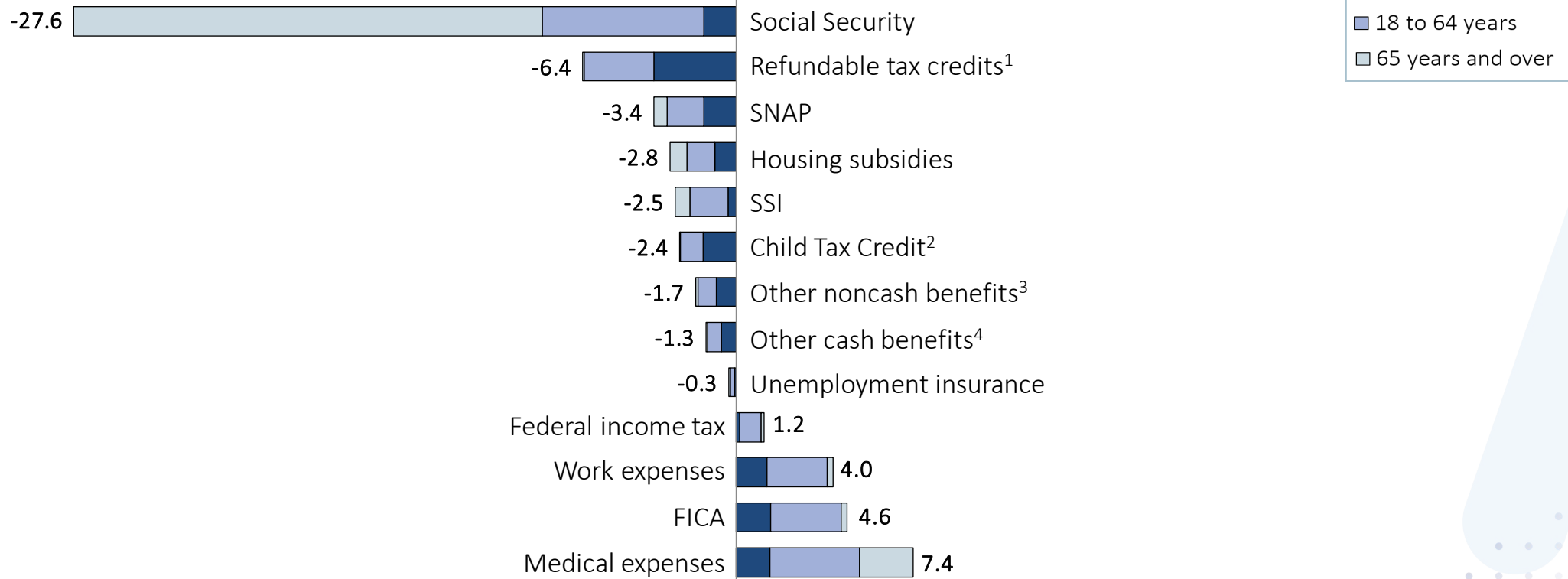


SPM Rates by Race and Hispanic Origin: 2009 to 2023



Change in Number of People in Poverty After Including Each Element: 2023

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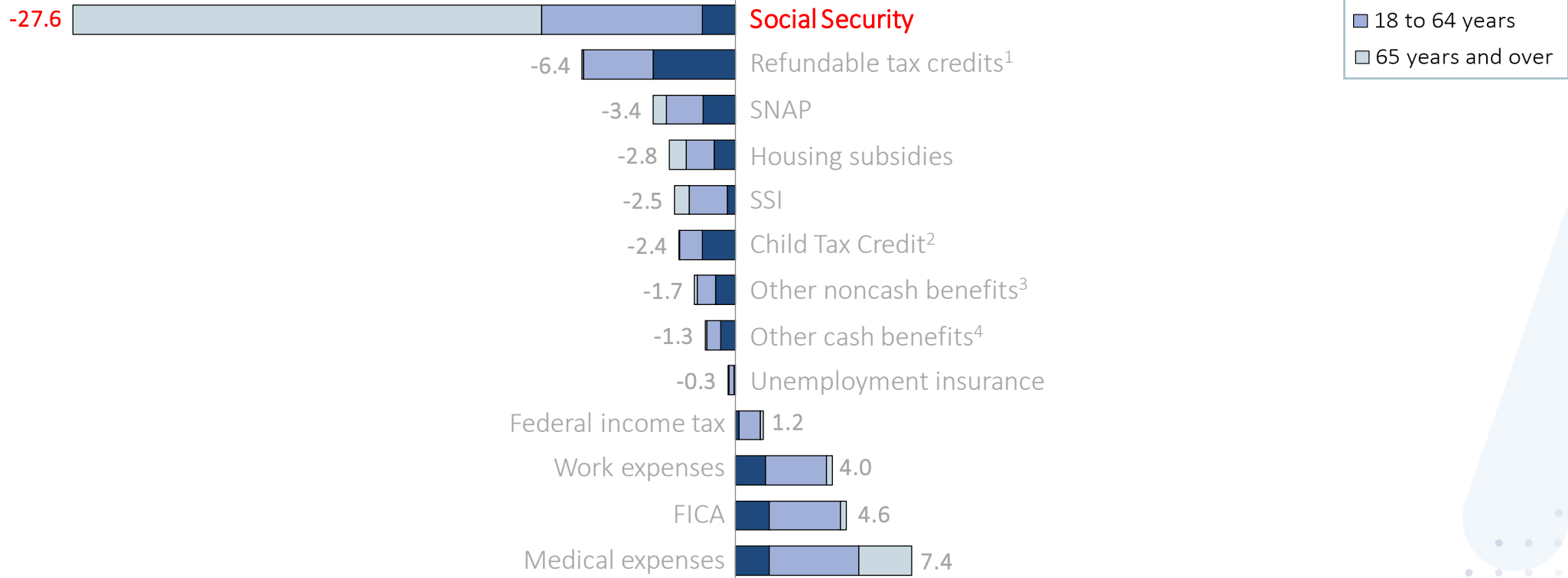
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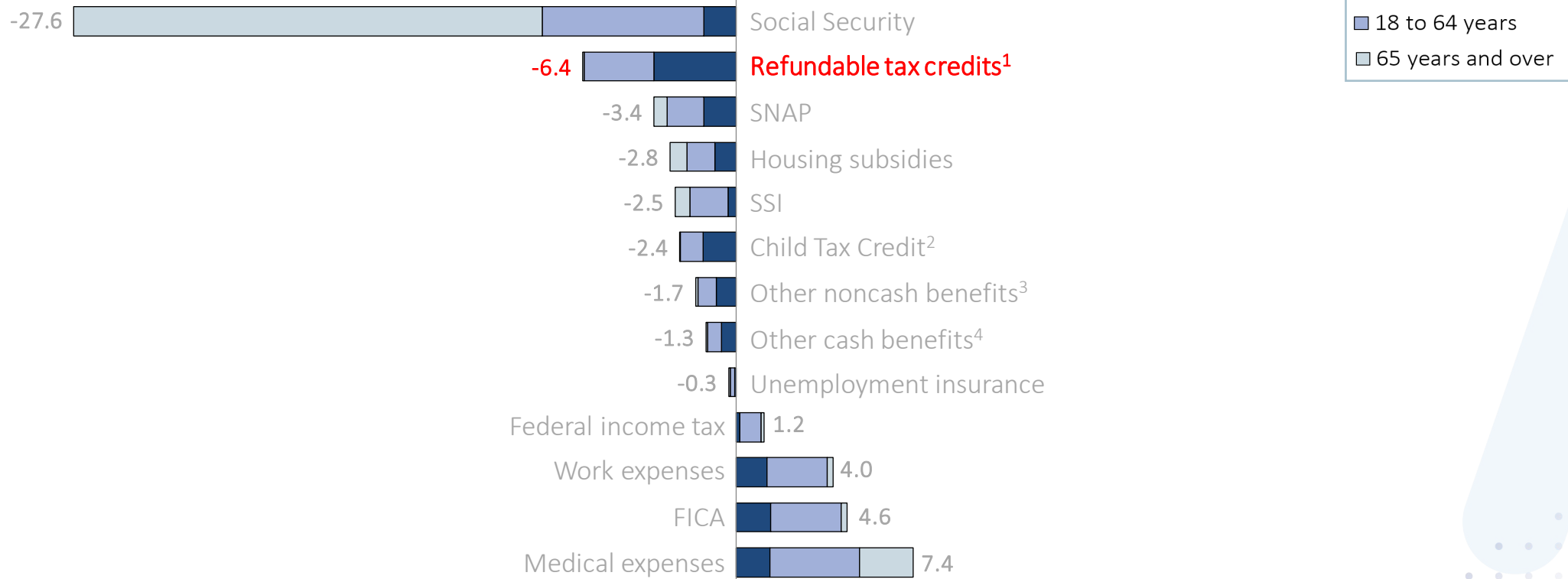
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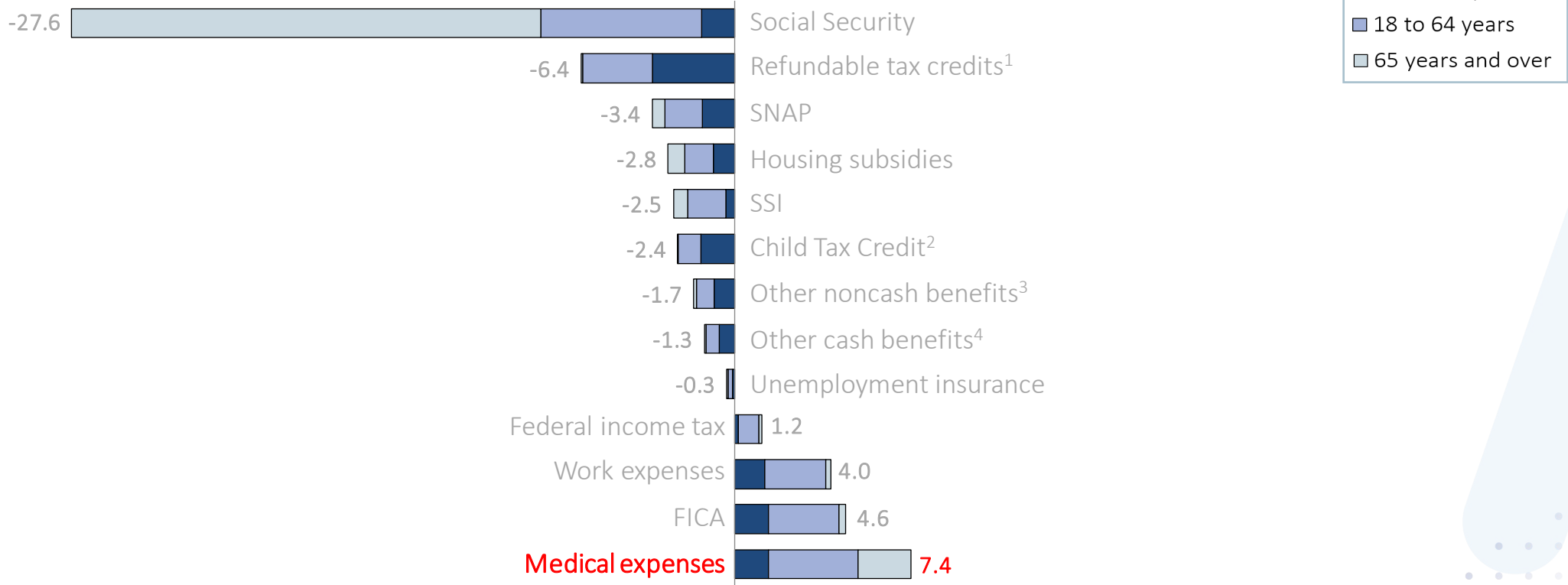
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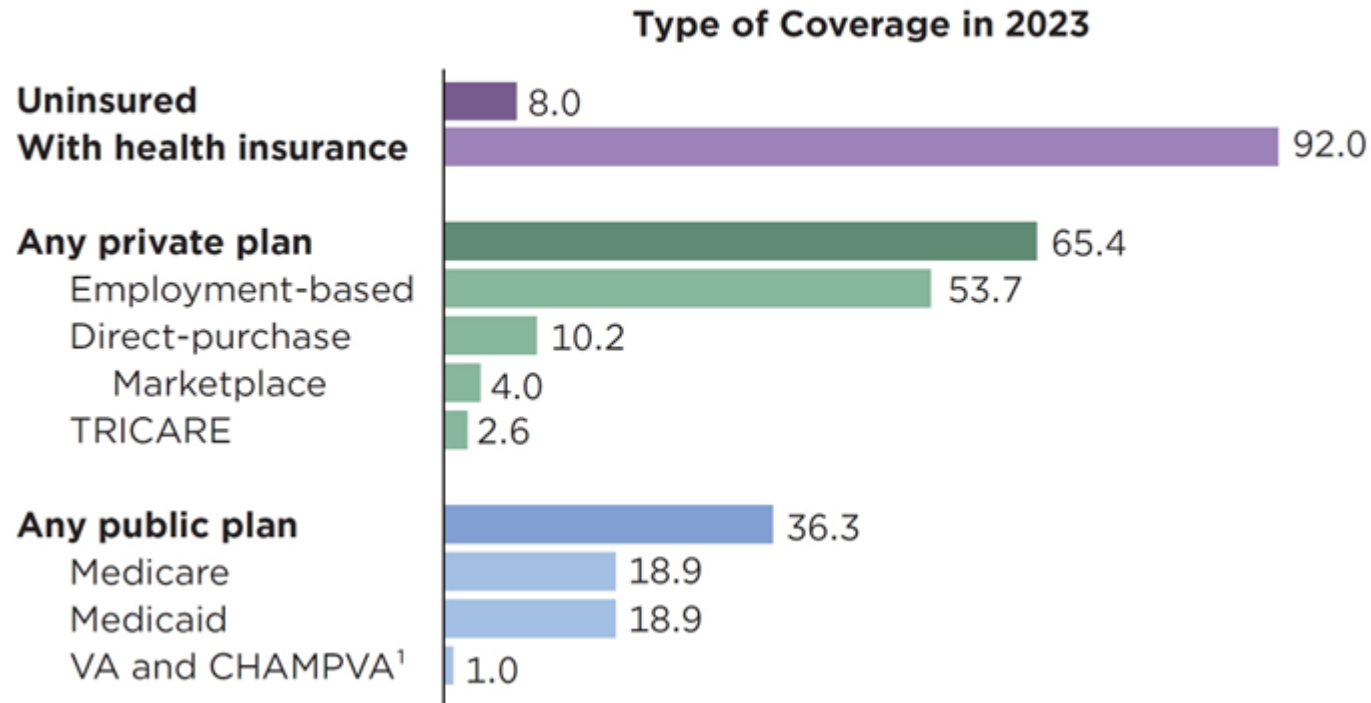


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- In 2023, the uninsured rate was 8.0 percent.
- No change in percentage uninsured between 2022 and 2023.

Percentage of People by Type of Health Insurance Coverage: 2023

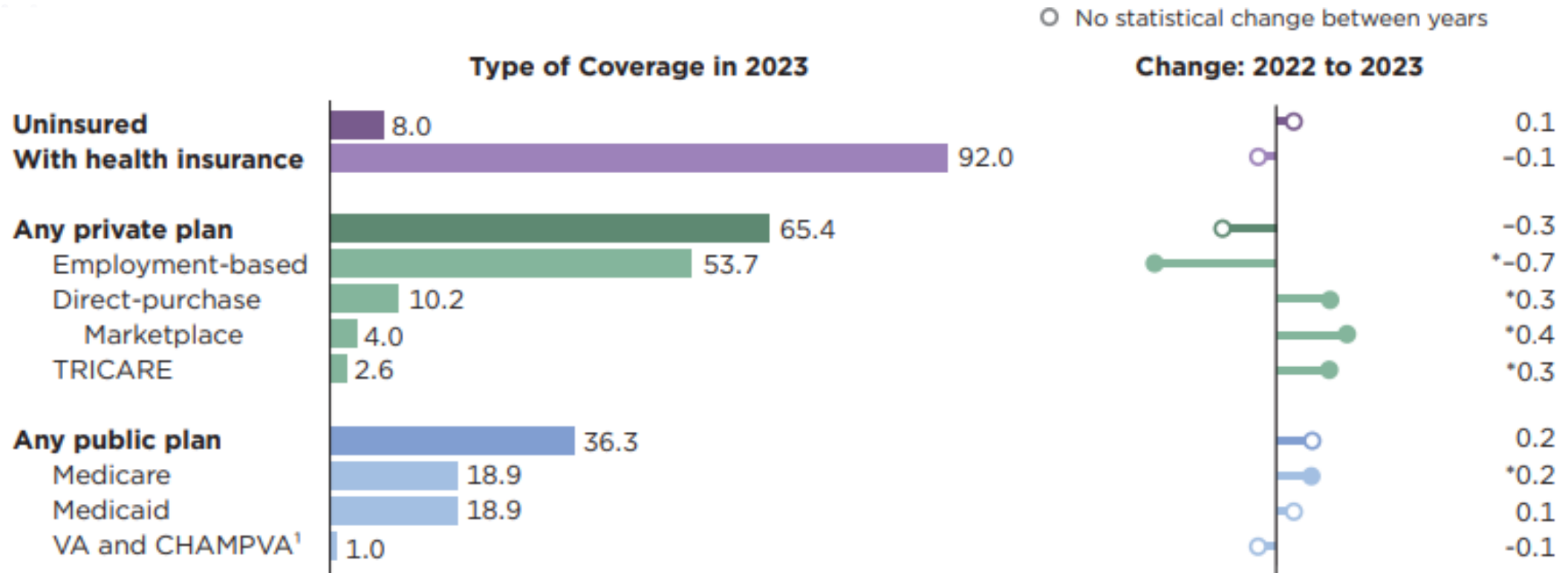


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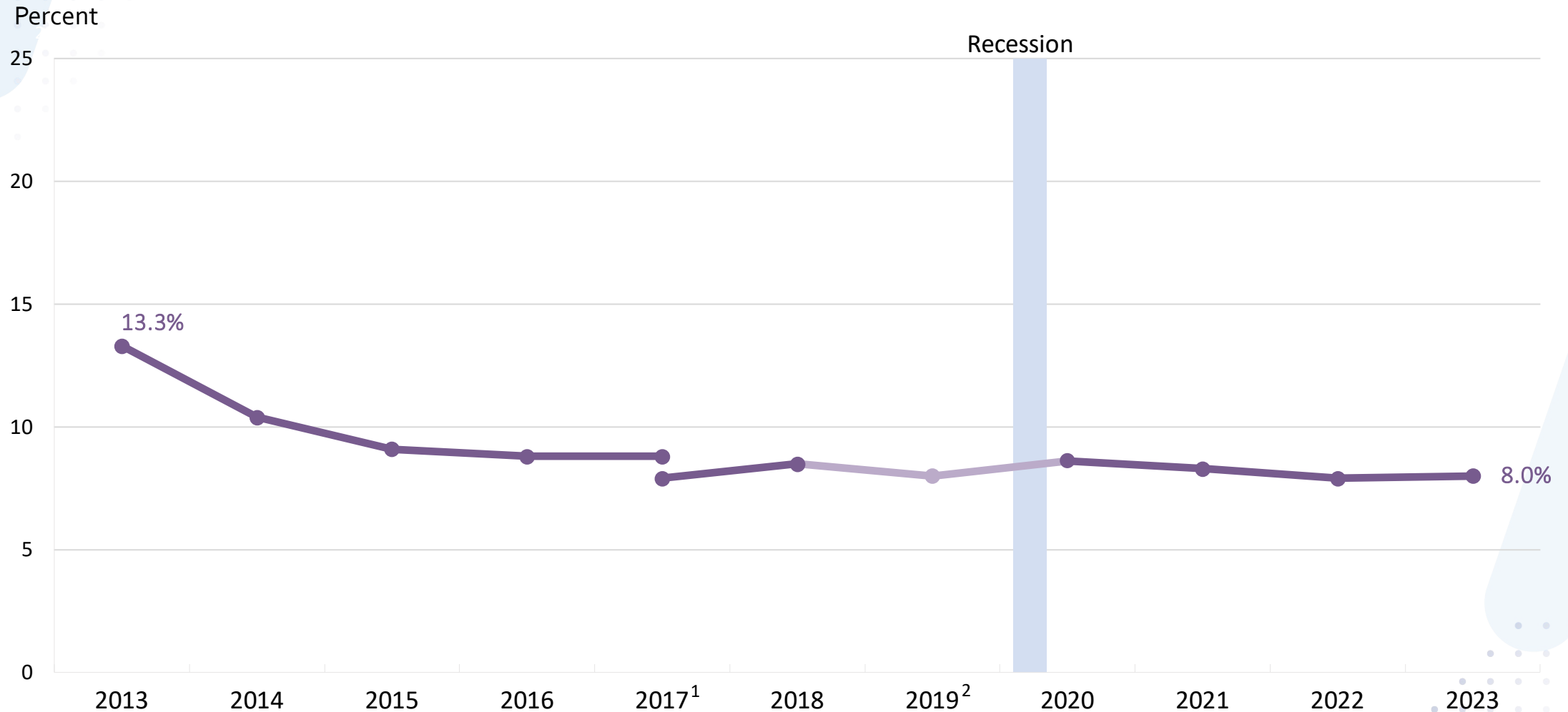
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Uninsured Rate: 2013 to 2023



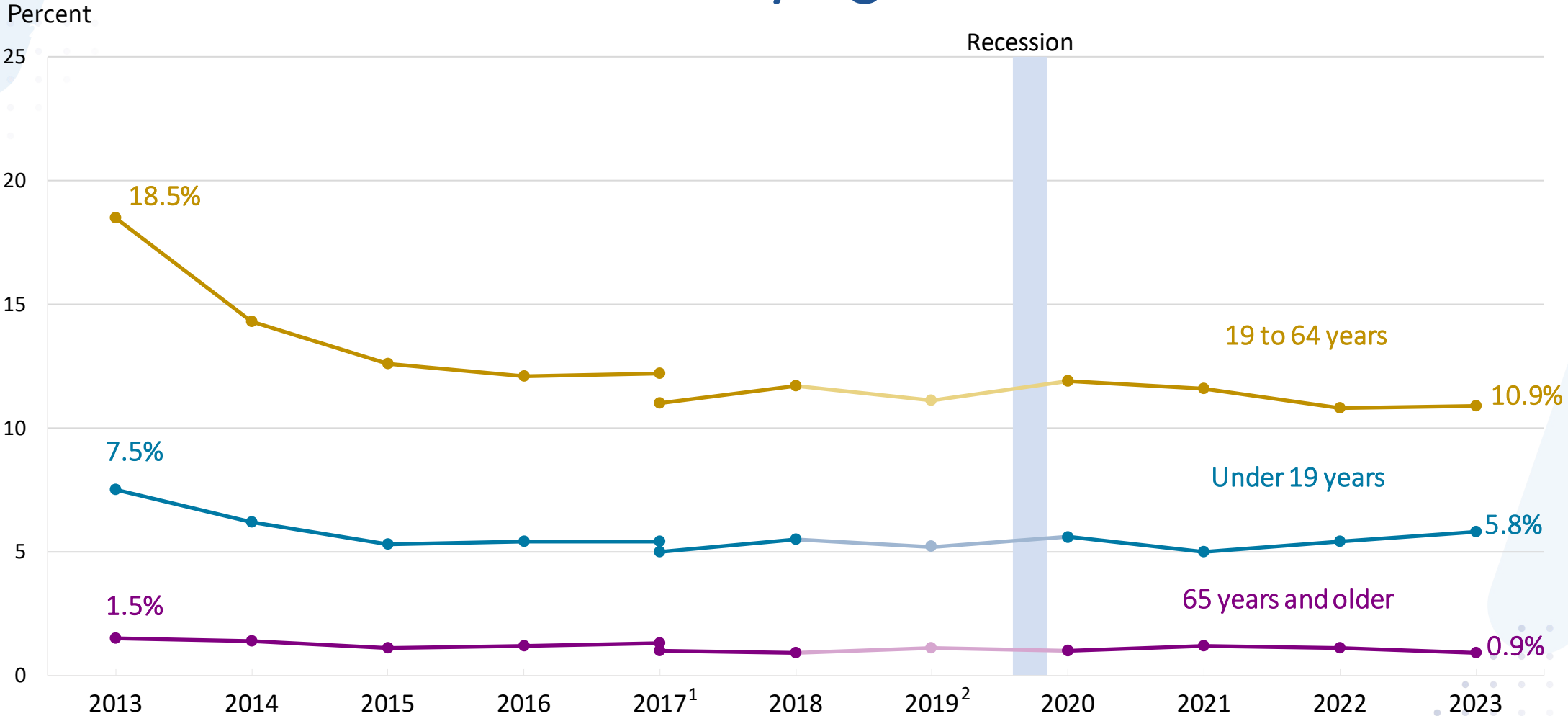
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Uninsured Rate by Age: 2013 to 2023

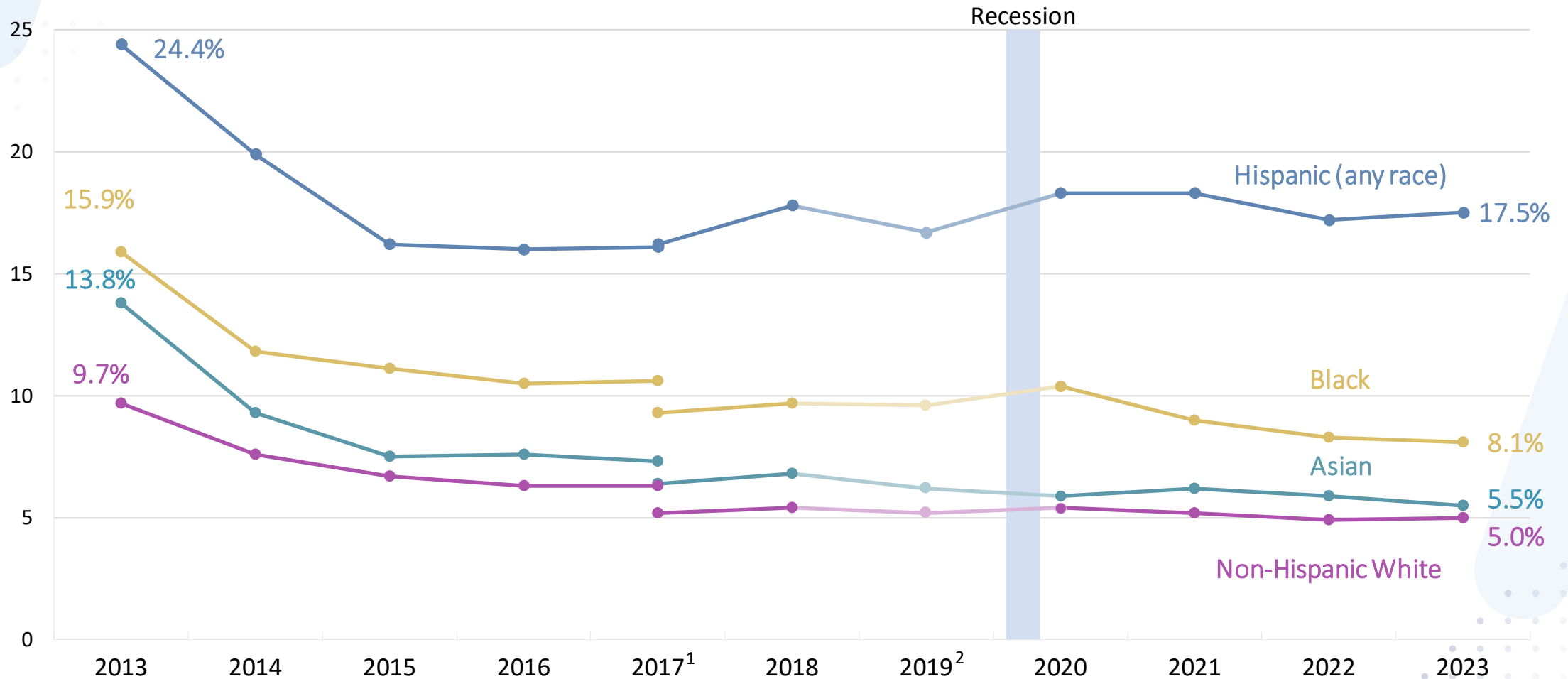


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Uninsured Rate by Race and Hispanic Origin: 2013 to 2023

Percent



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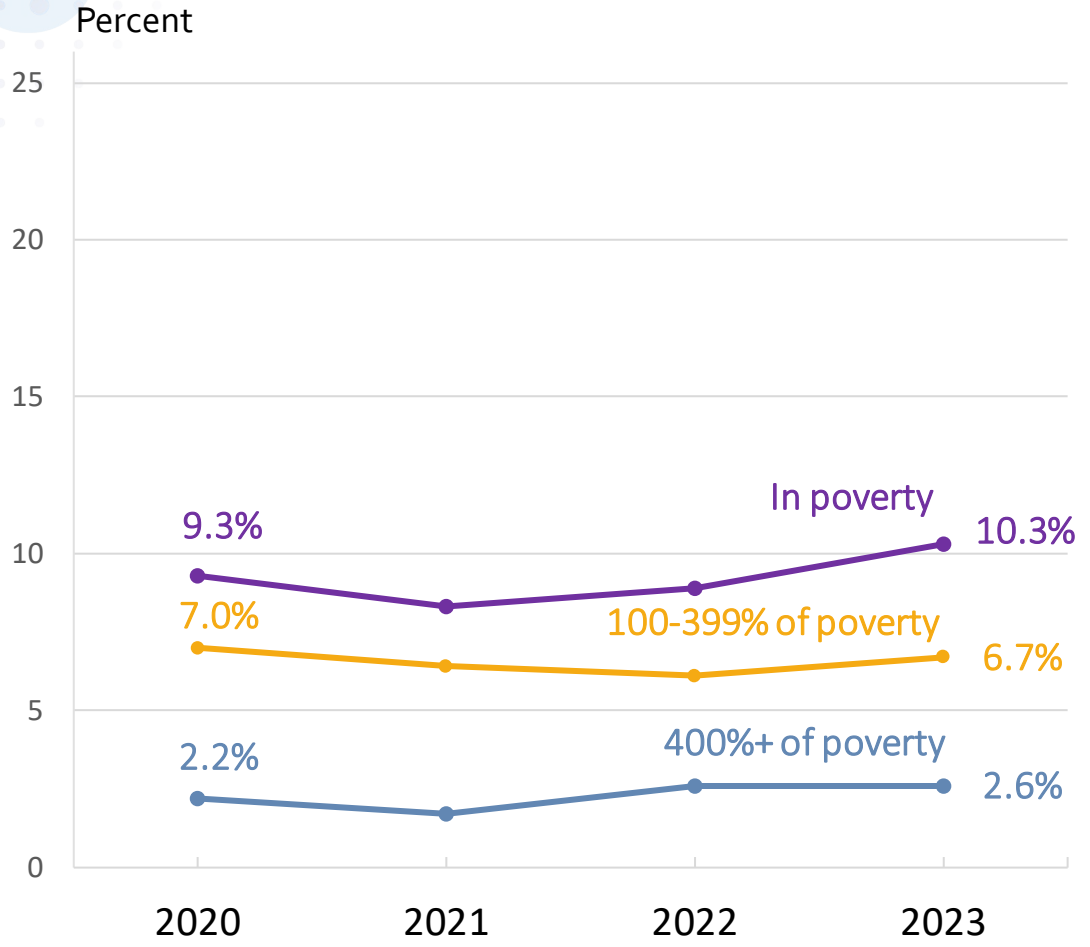
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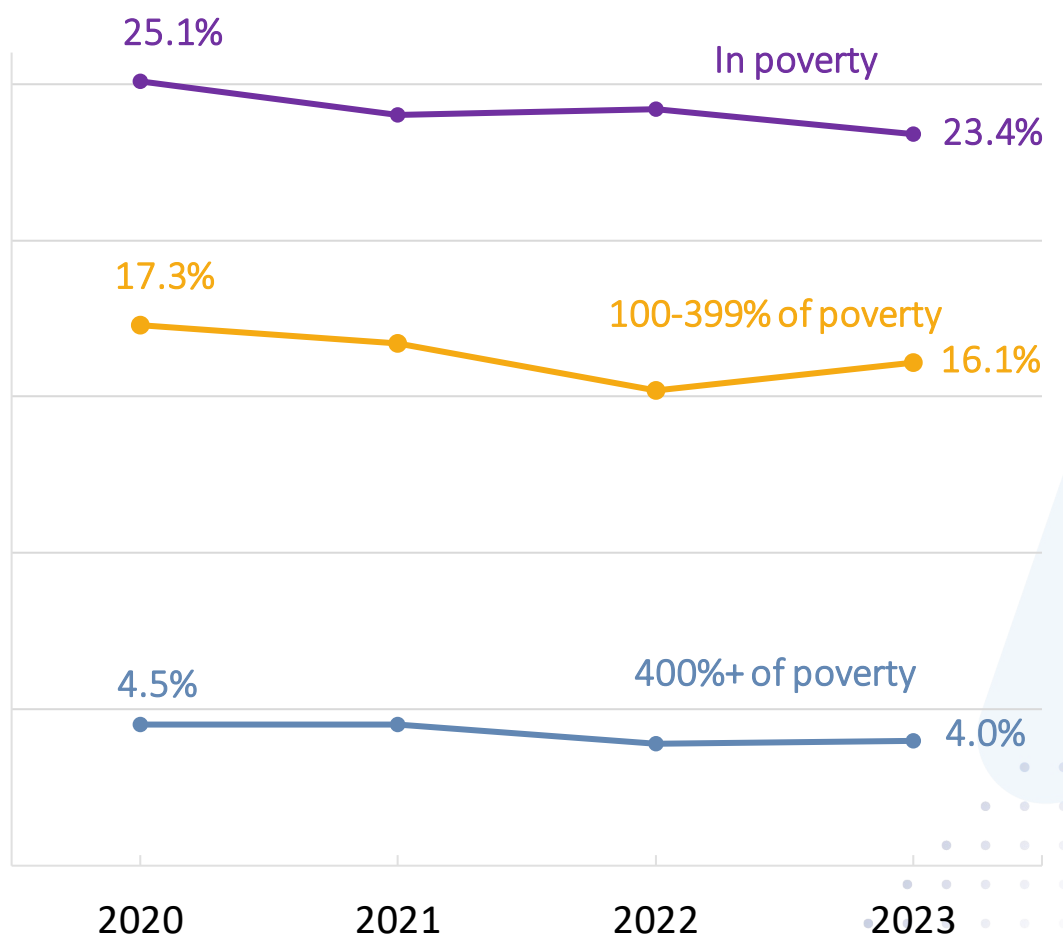
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Uninsured Rate by Income-to-Poverty Ratio and Age: 2020 to 2023

Under 19 Years



19 to 64 Years



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 Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Survey, 2021 to 2024 Annual Social and Economic Supplements (CPS ASEC), Uninsured Rate: 2013-2023.



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