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OVERVIEW: Income, Poverty and Health Insurance

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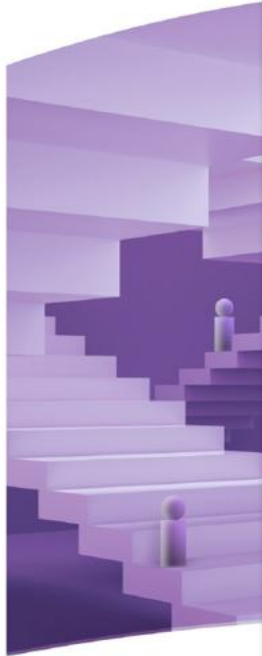


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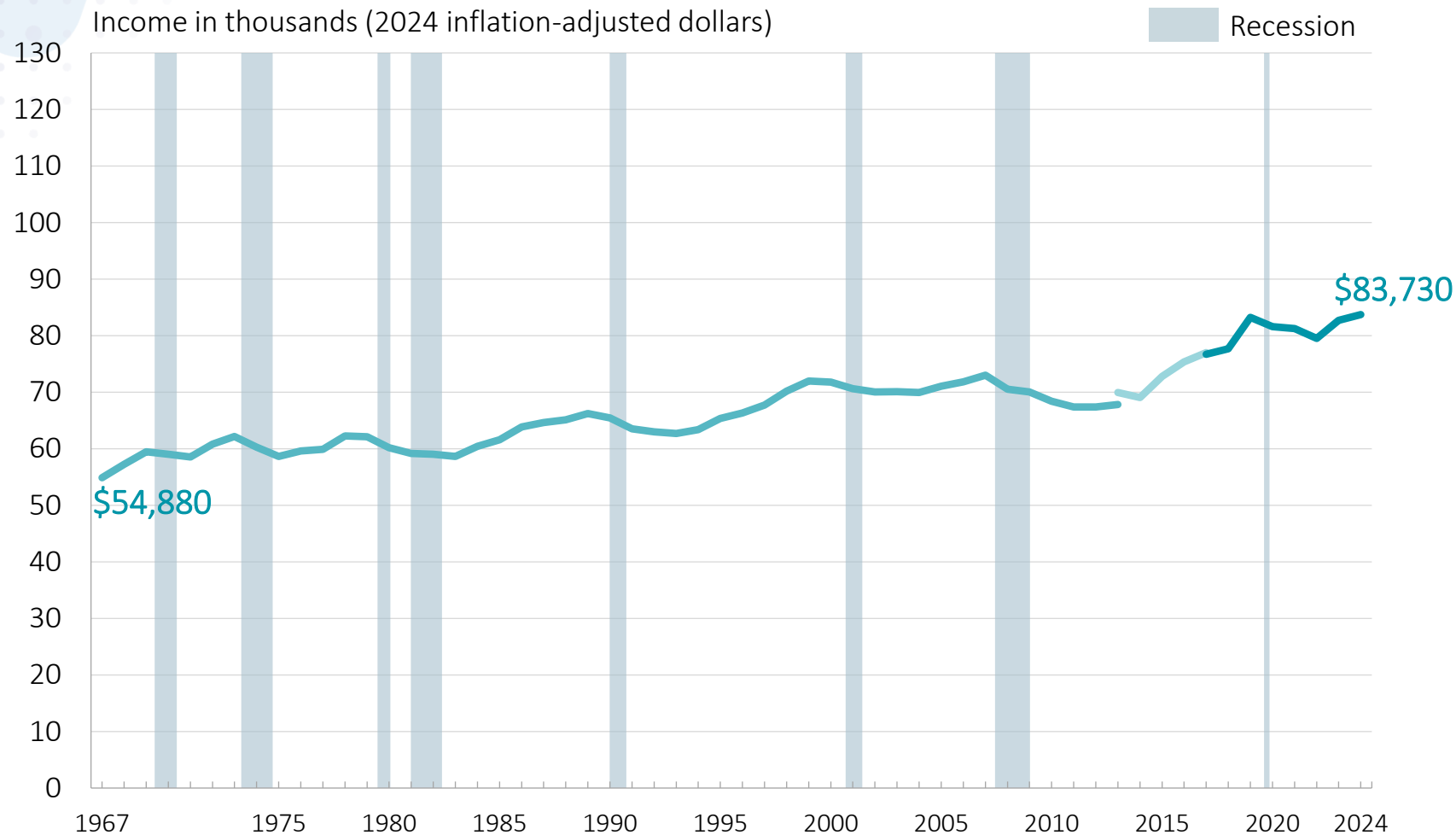
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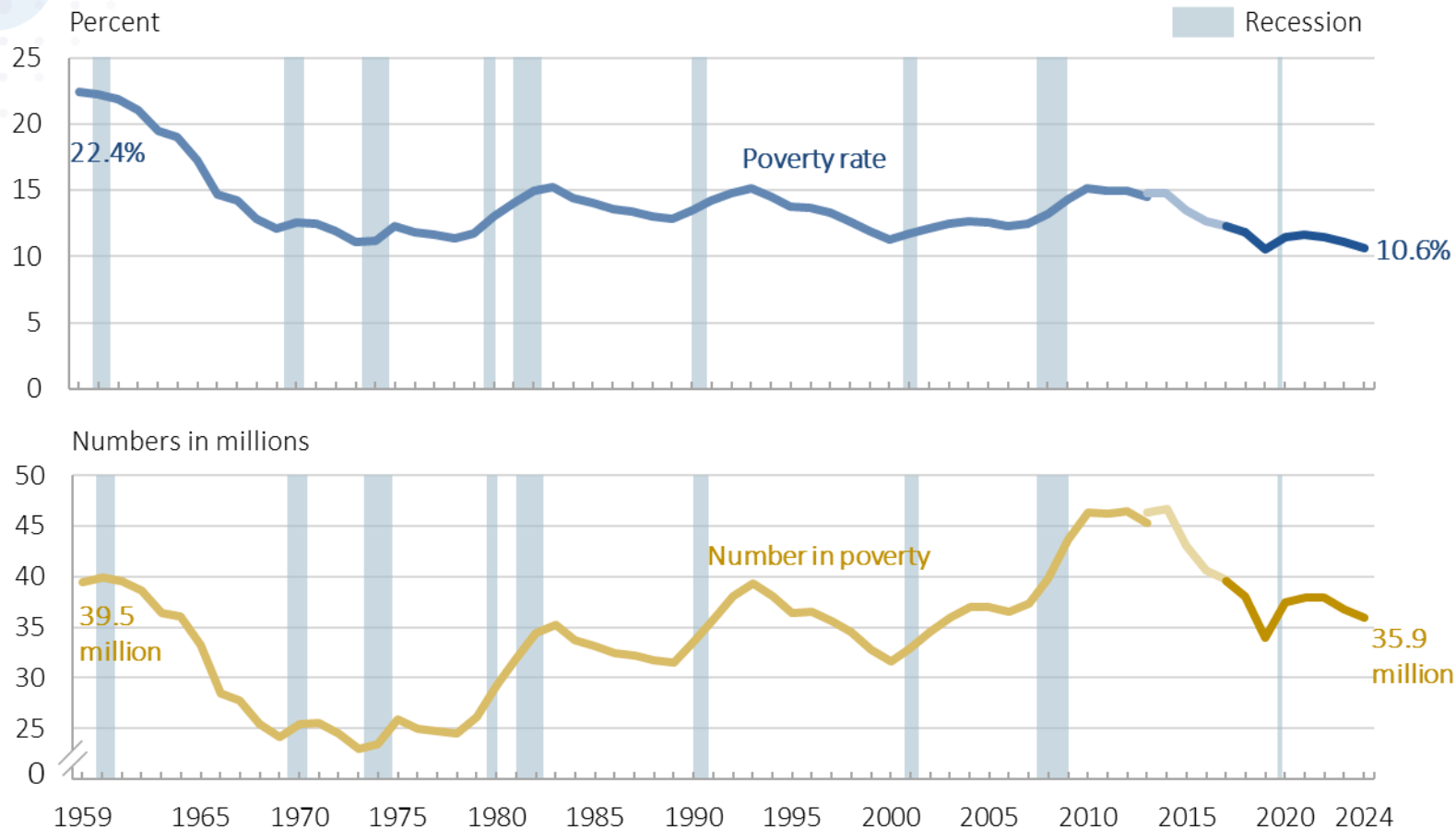
Data are based on the Current Population Survey Annual Social and Economic Supplement (CPS ASEC) from February, March, and April 2025.

Median Household Income: 1967 to 2024



Median household income was \$83,730 in 2024, not statistically different from 2023.

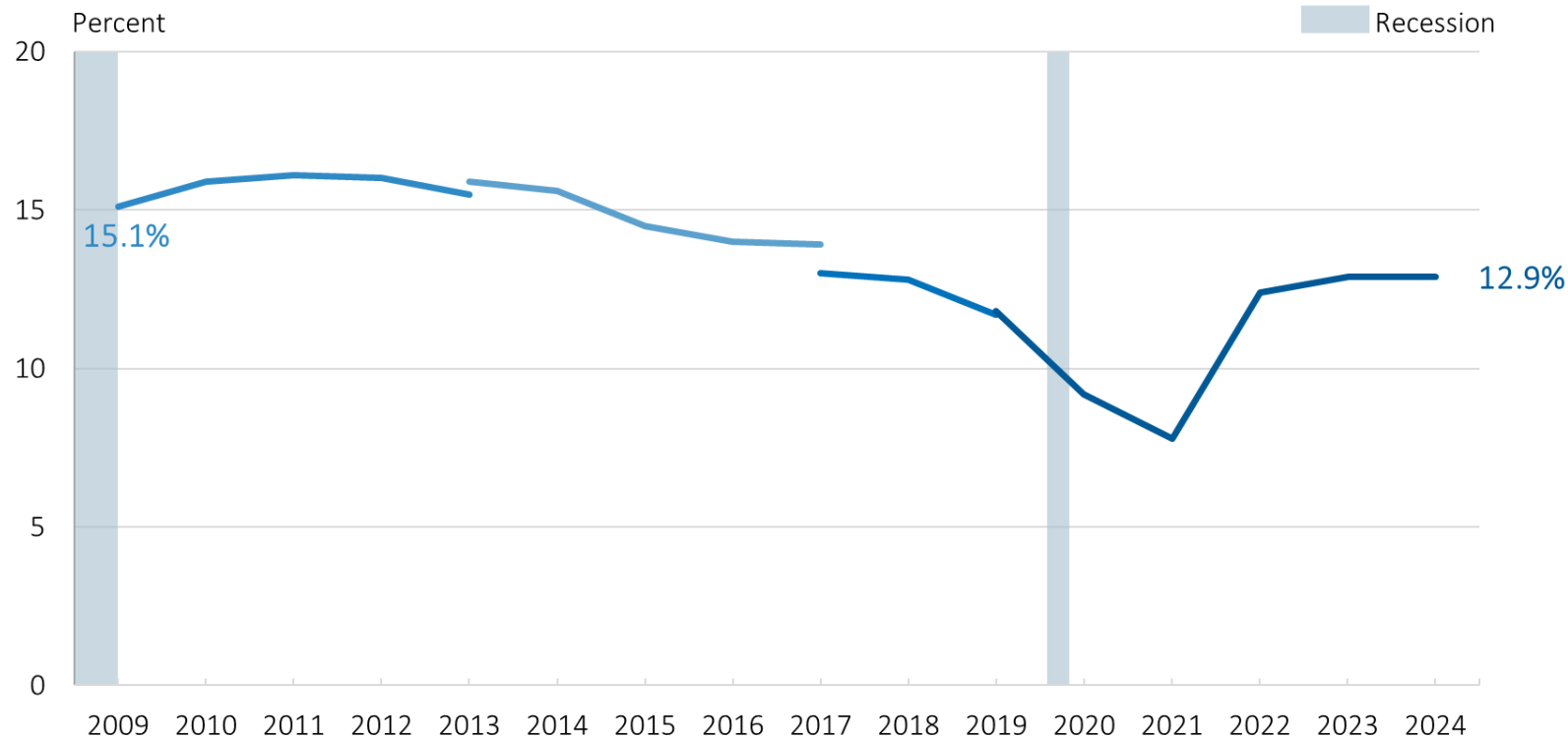
Poverty Rate and Number of People in Poverty: 1959 to 2024



The official poverty rate fell 0.4 percentage points to 10.6 percent in 2024.

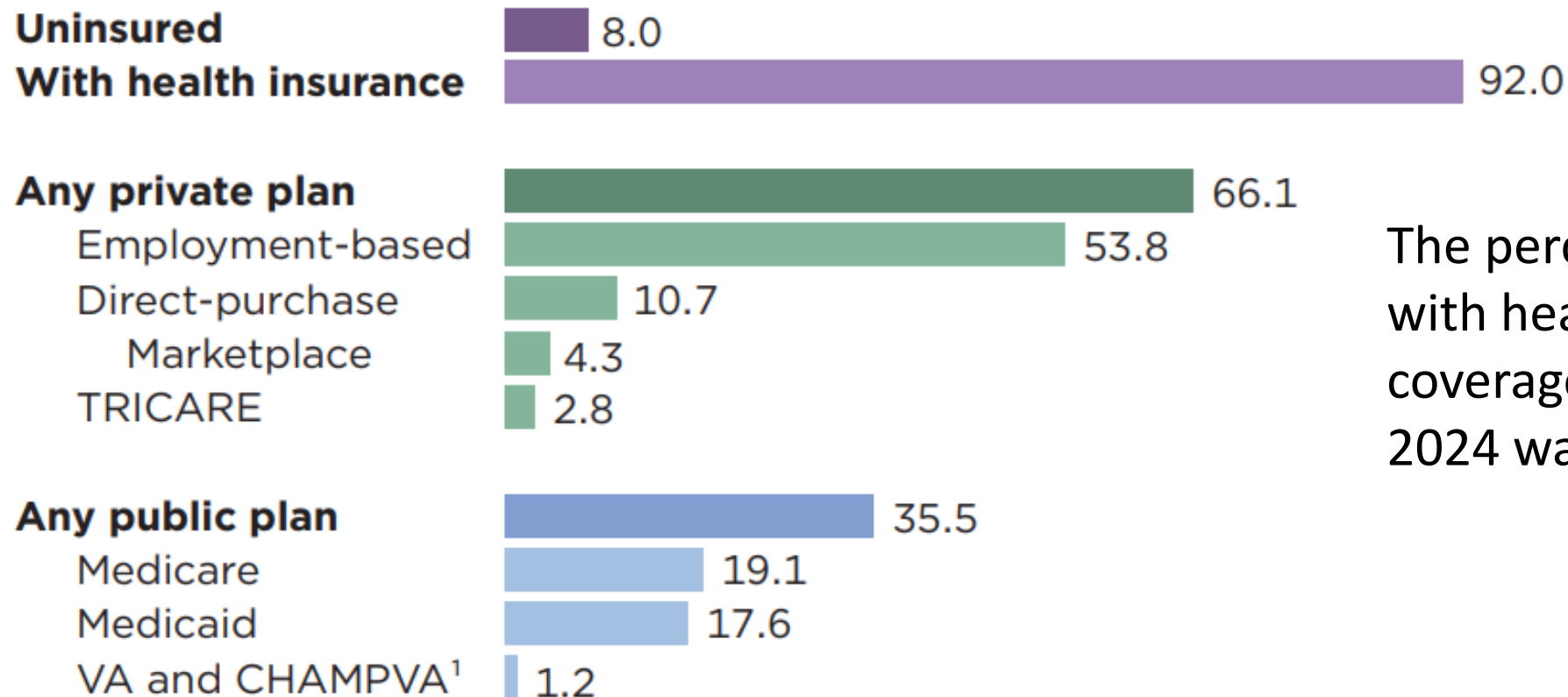
There were 35.9 million people in poverty.

SPM Rate: 2009 to 2024



The Supplemental Poverty Measure (SPM) rate in 2024 was 12.9 percent, not statistically different from 2023.

Health Insurance Coverage: 2024



The percentage of people with health insurance coverage for some or all of 2024 was 92.0 percent.



INCOME AND POVERTY ESTIMATES

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What is Money Income?

INCLUDES:

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



DOES NOT INCLUDE:

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

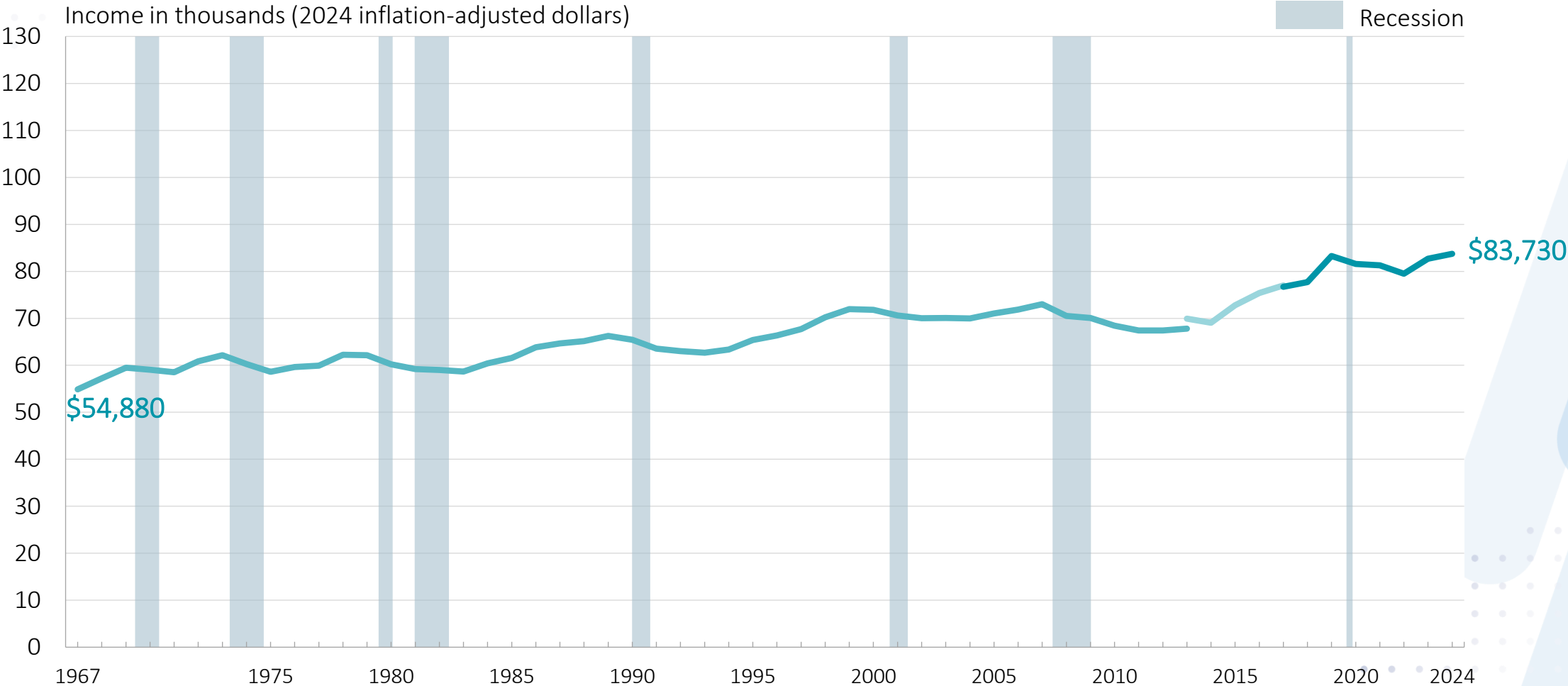
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Between 2023 and 2024:

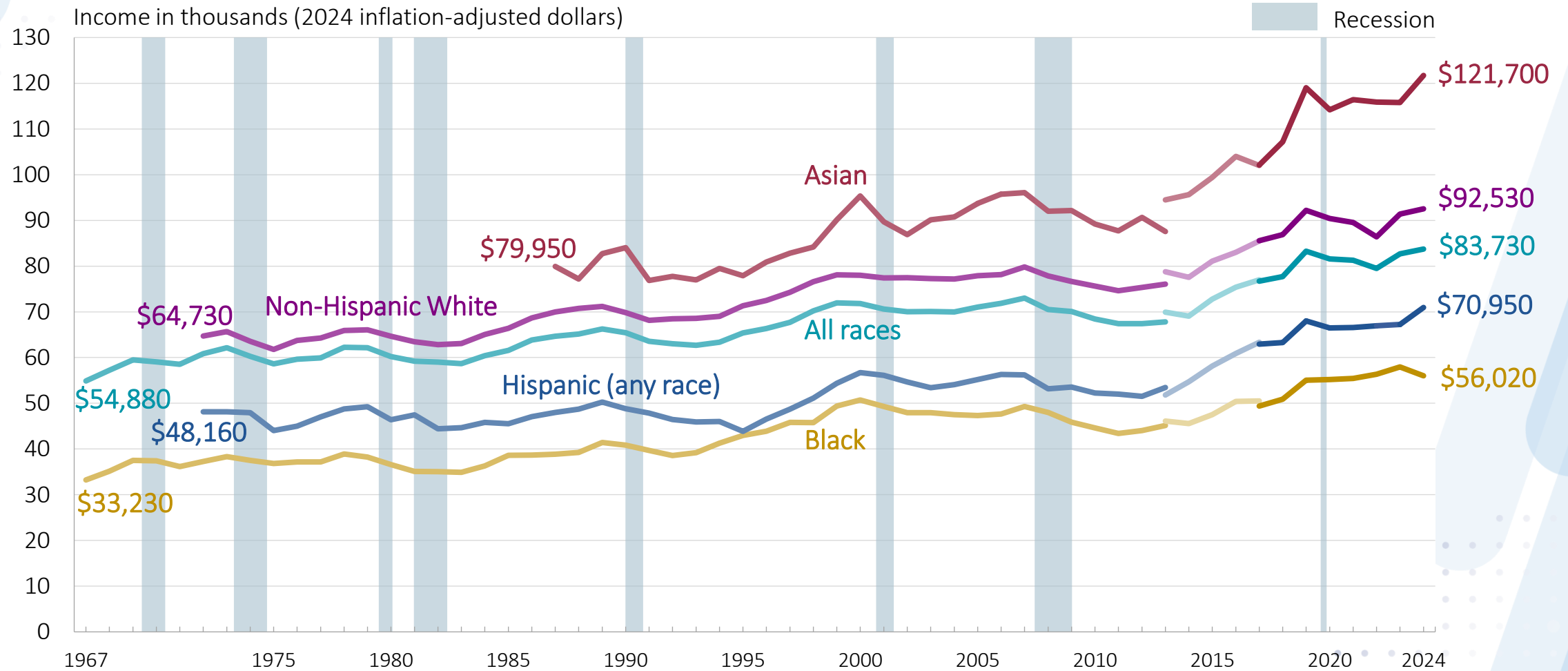
- Median household income did not change significantly.
- Household income at the 90th percentile increased 4.2 percent. It did not change significantly at the 10th percentile.
- Among full-time, year-round workers, median earnings increased 3.7 percent for men but did not change significantly for women.
- The female-to-male earnings ratio fell from 82.7 to 80.9 percent.



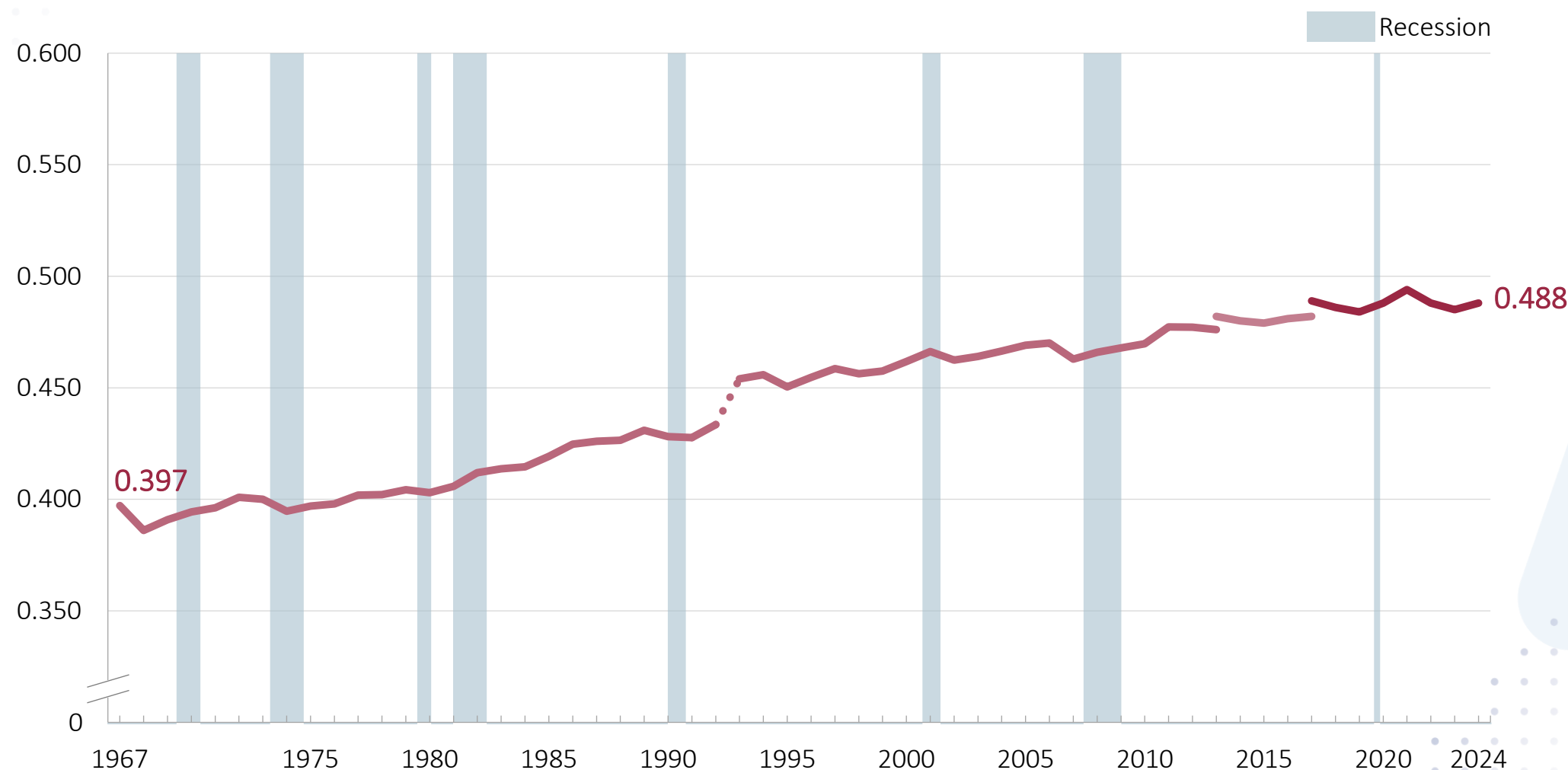
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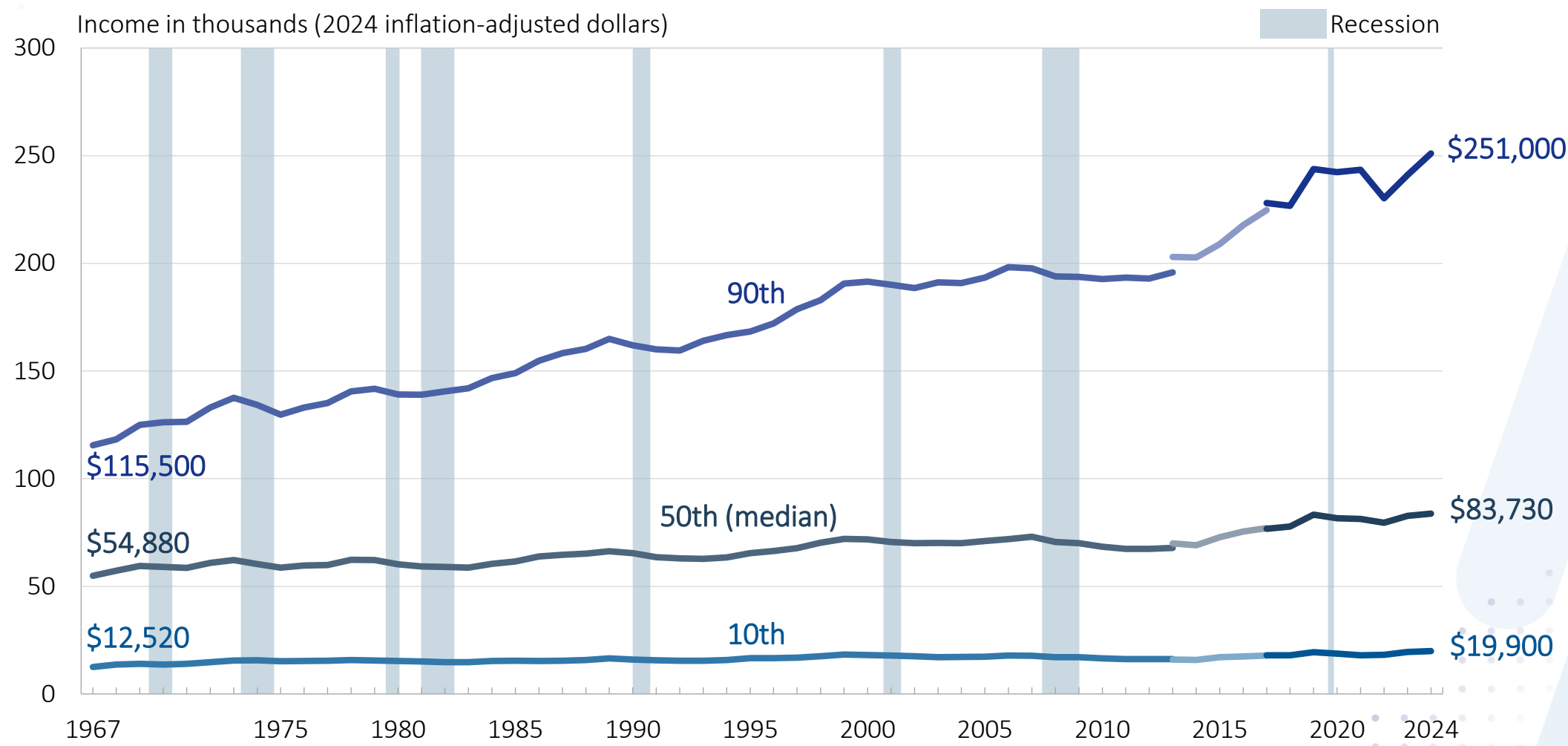
Median Household Income by Race and Hispanic Origin of Householder: 1967 to 2024



Gini Index of Money Income: 1967 to 2024

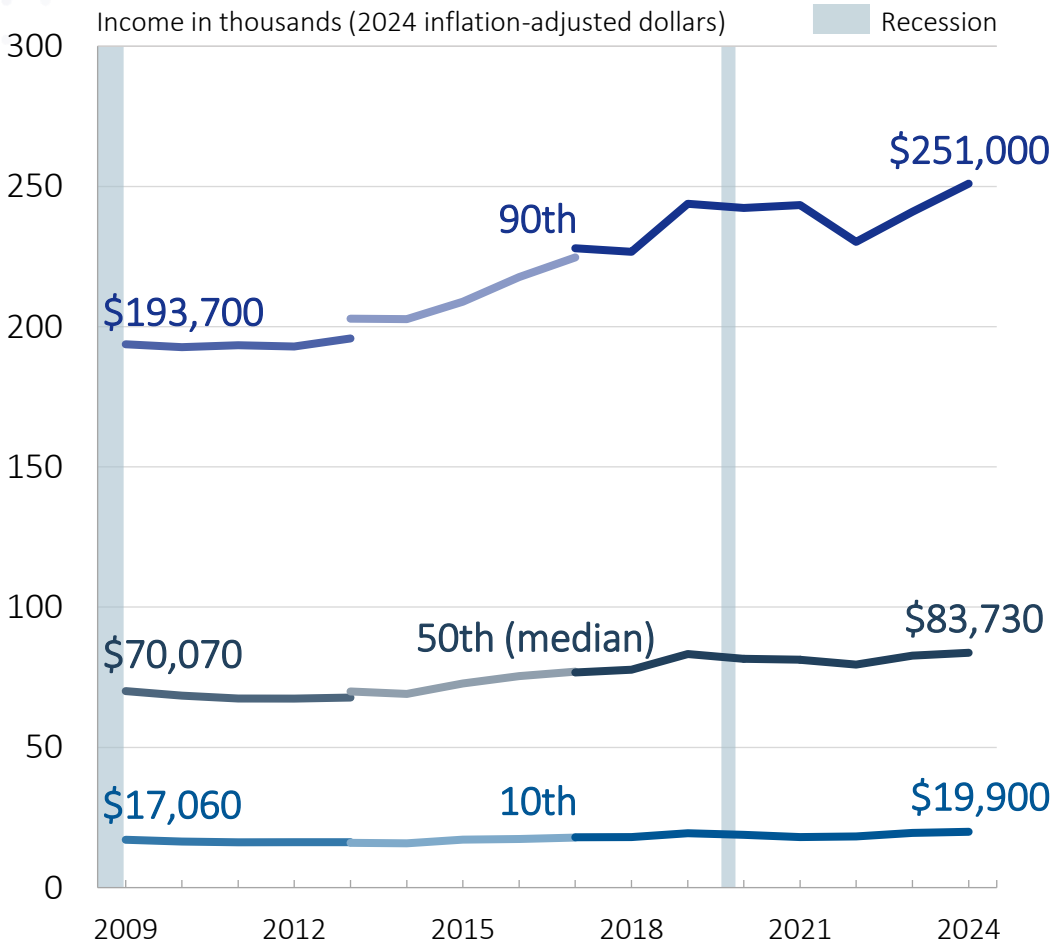


Household Income at Selected Percentiles: 1967 to 2024

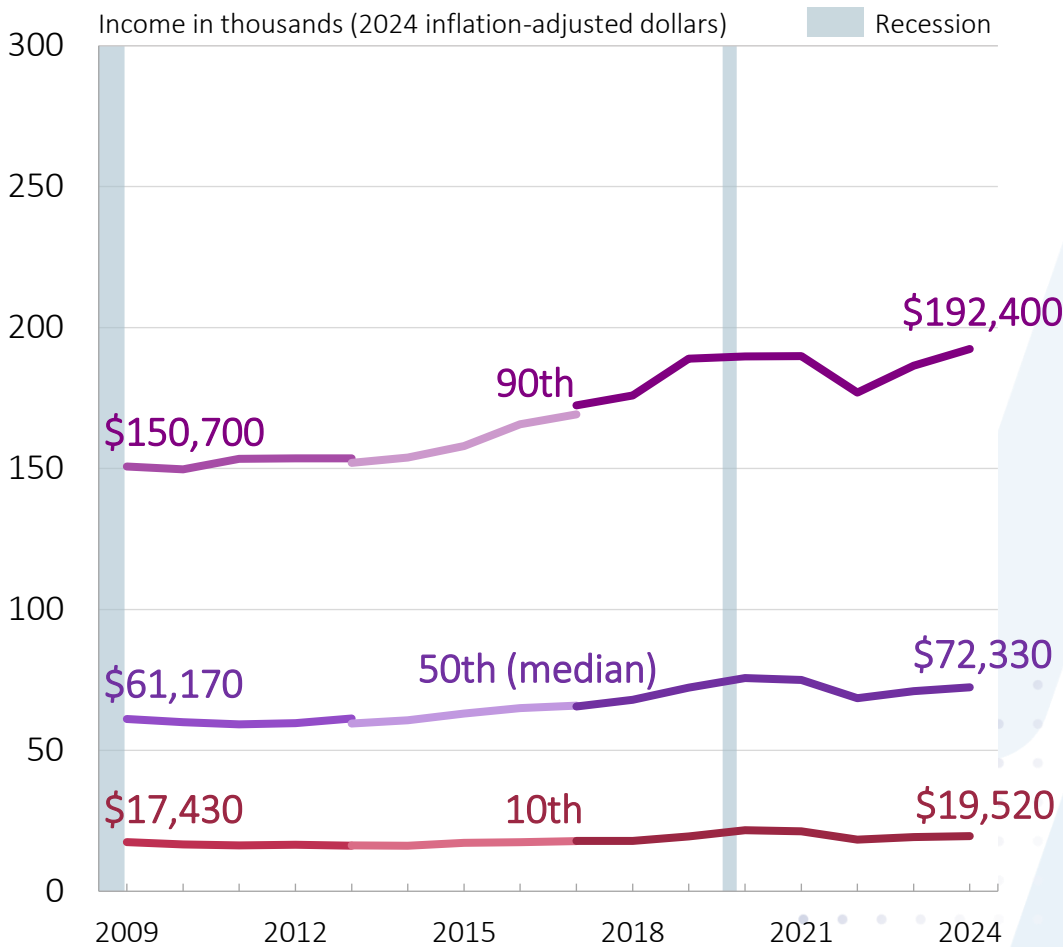


Household Income at Selected Percentiles: 2009 to 2024

Pretax Money Income



Post-Tax Income



Note: Households as of March of the following year. Refer to Tables A-4a and B-5 for historical footnotes. Income rounded to four significant digits.
Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Survey, 2010 to 2025 Annual Social and Economic Supplements (CPS ASEC), Tables A-4a and B-5.

Median Earnings and Percent Change by Selected Characteristics: 2023 to 2024

FULL-TIME, YEAR-ROUND
WORKERS WITH EARNINGS
Total

2024 Median Earnings

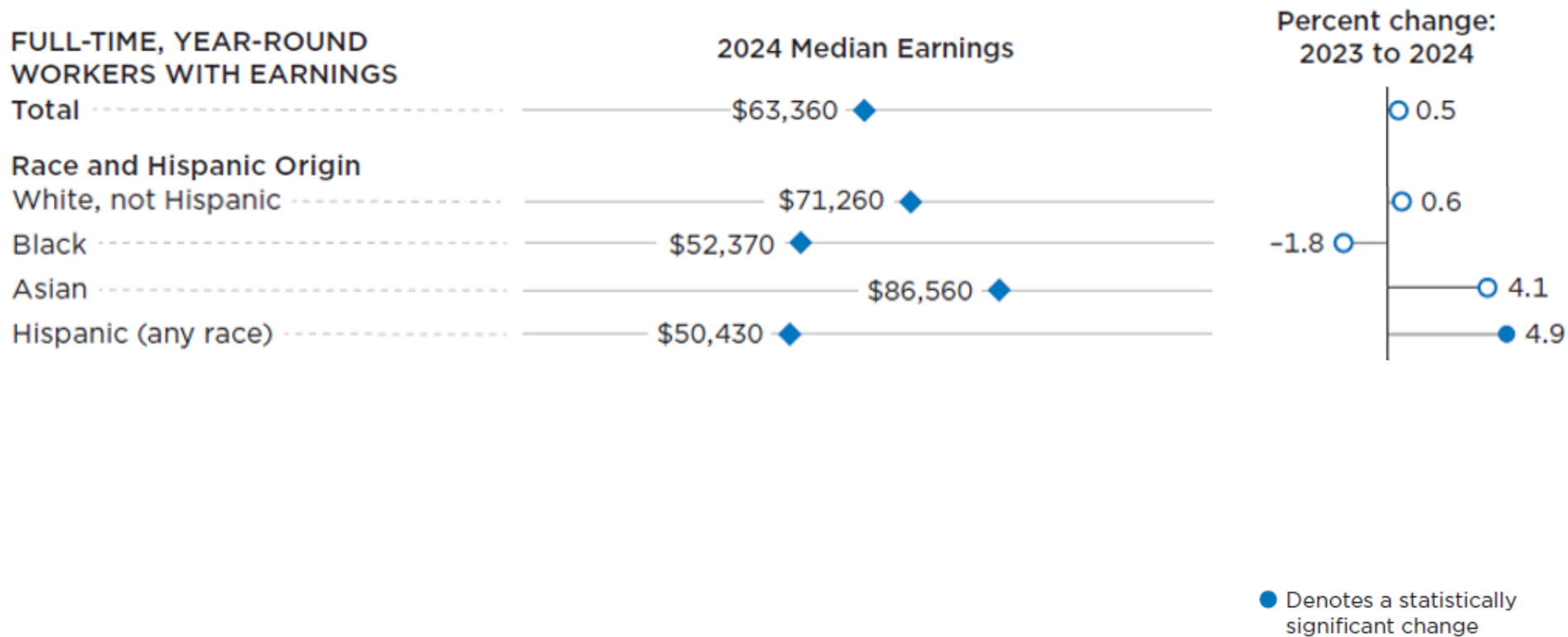
\$63,360 ◆

Percent change:
2023 to 2024

0.5

◆ Denotes a statistically significant change

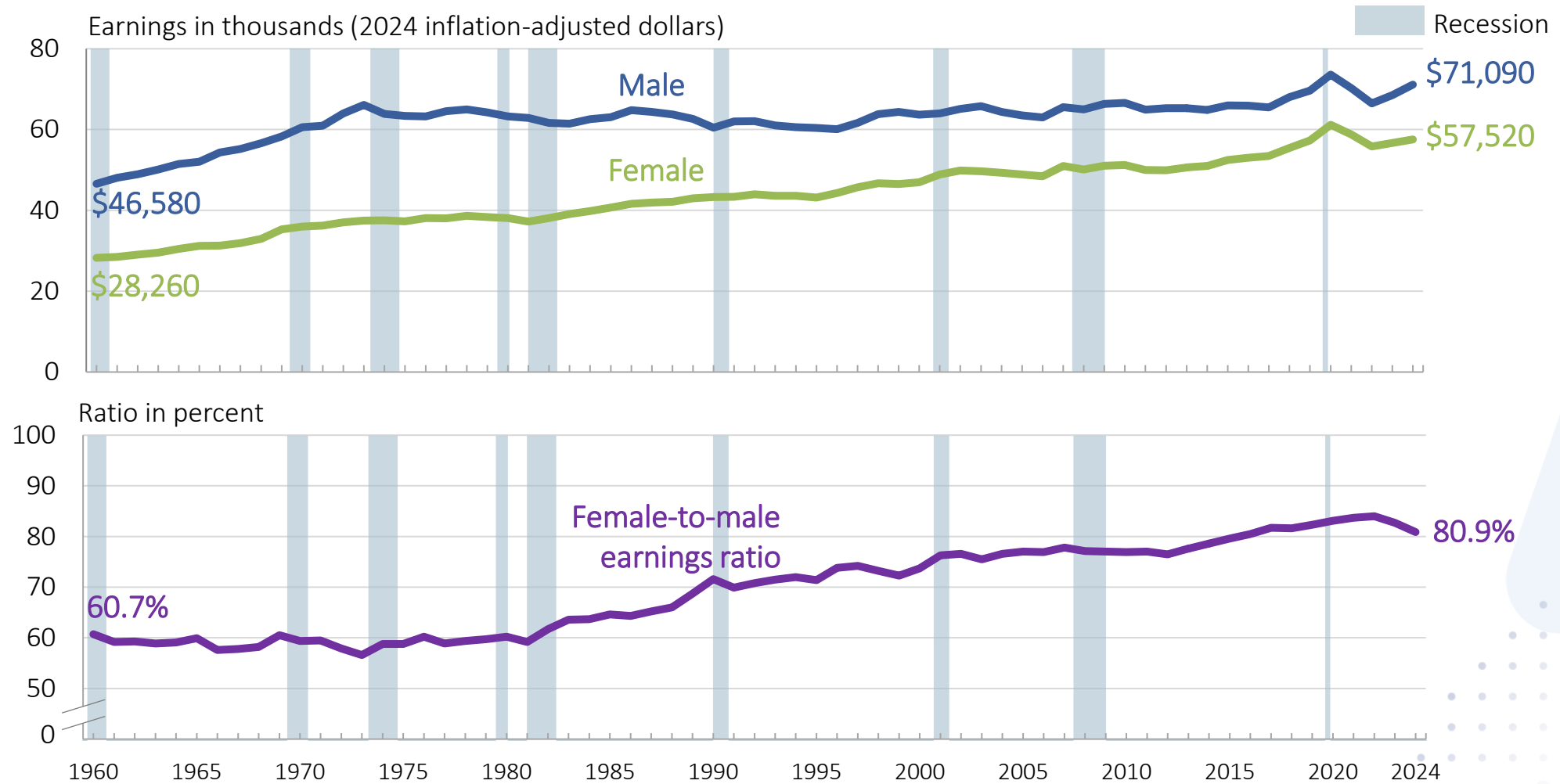
Median Earnings and Percent Change by Selected Characteristics: 2023 to 2024



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Median Earnings by Sex and Female-to-Male Earnings Ratio: 1960 to 2024



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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 10.6 percent in 2024.
- The Supplemental Poverty Measure (SPM) rate in 2024 was 12.9 percent, not statistically different from 2023.

How the Census Bureau Measures Poverty: Official Poverty

INCLUDES:

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- Interest and dividends
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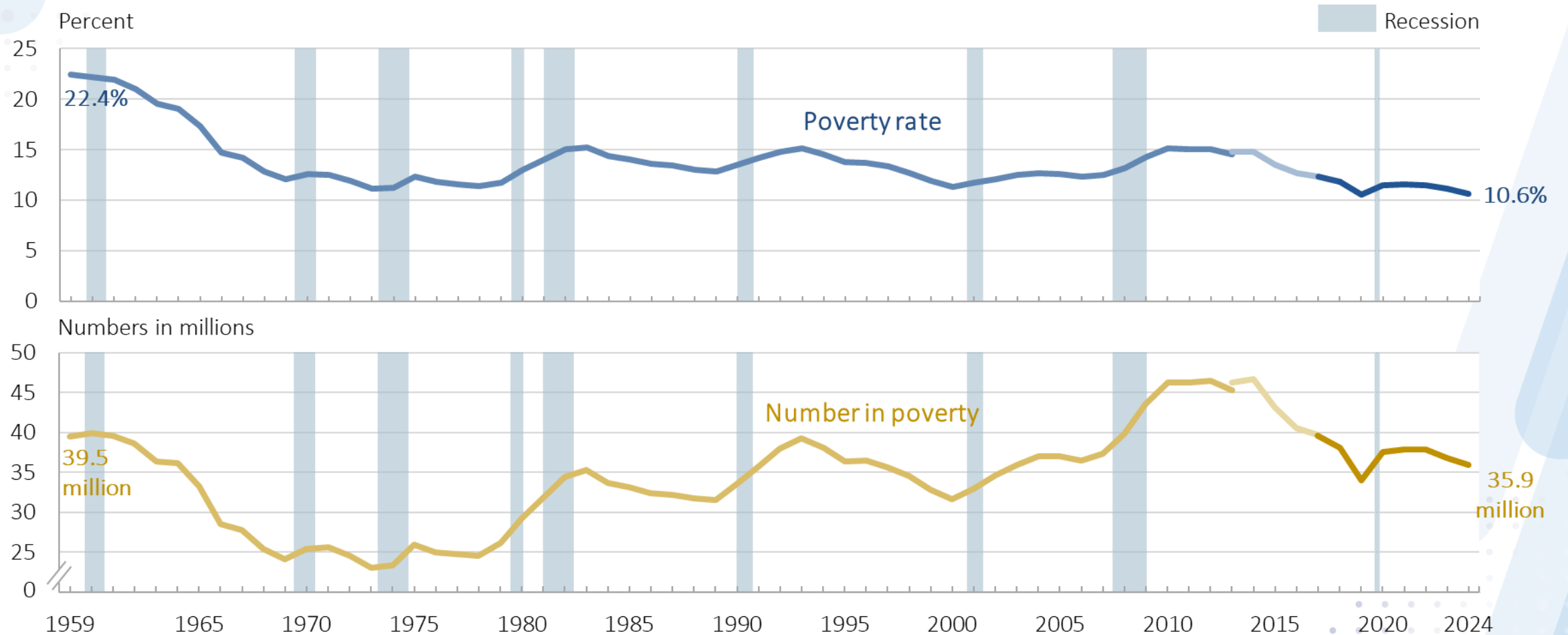


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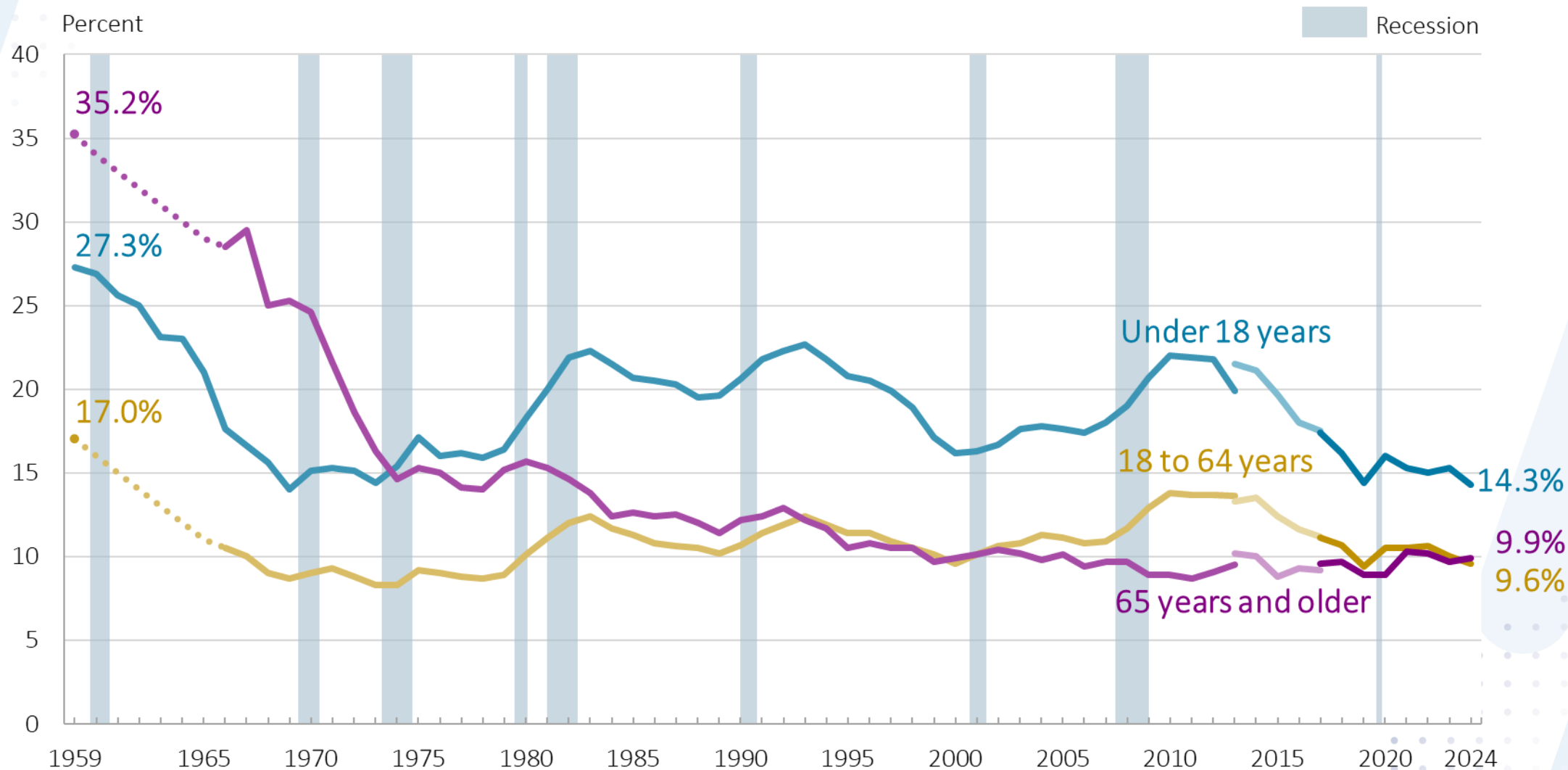
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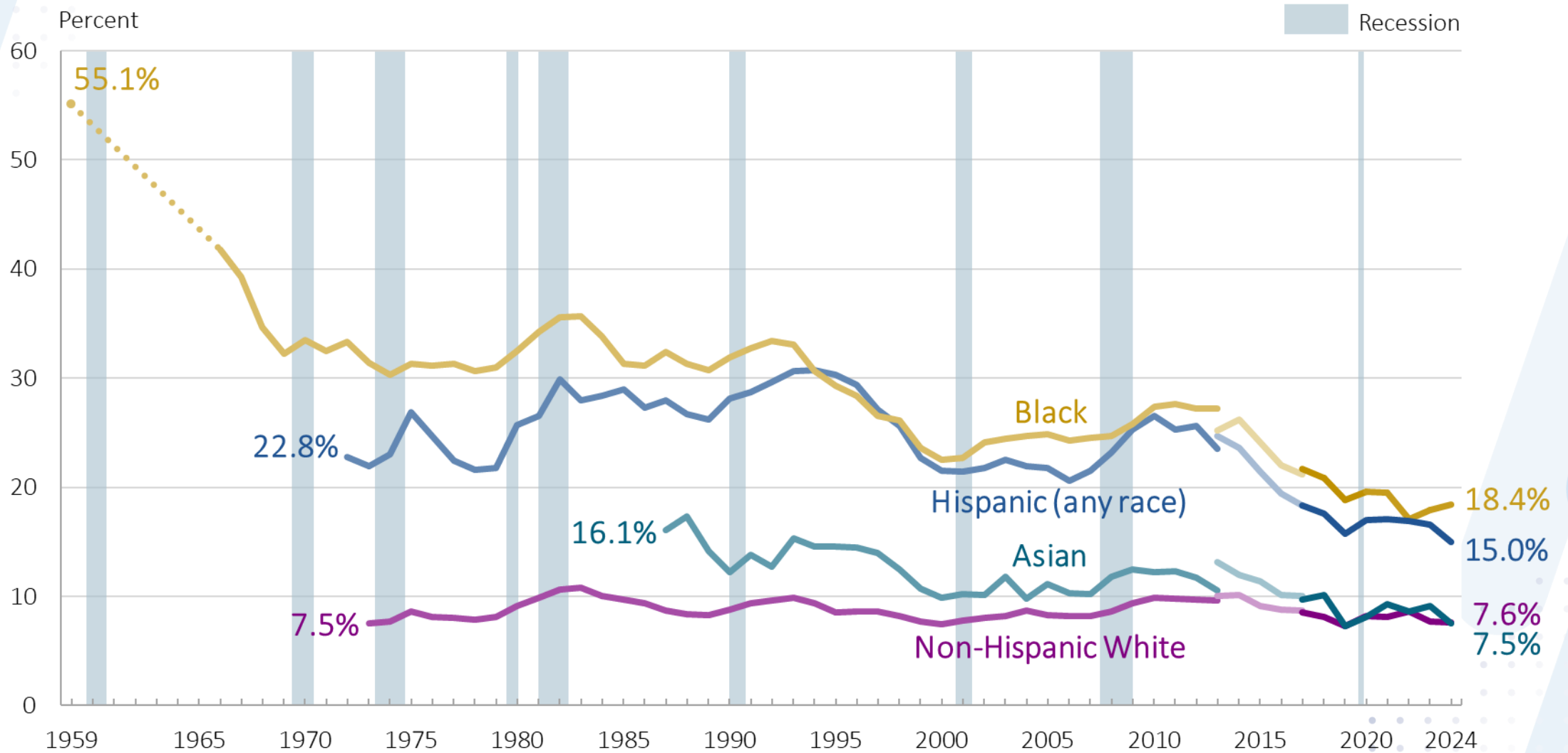
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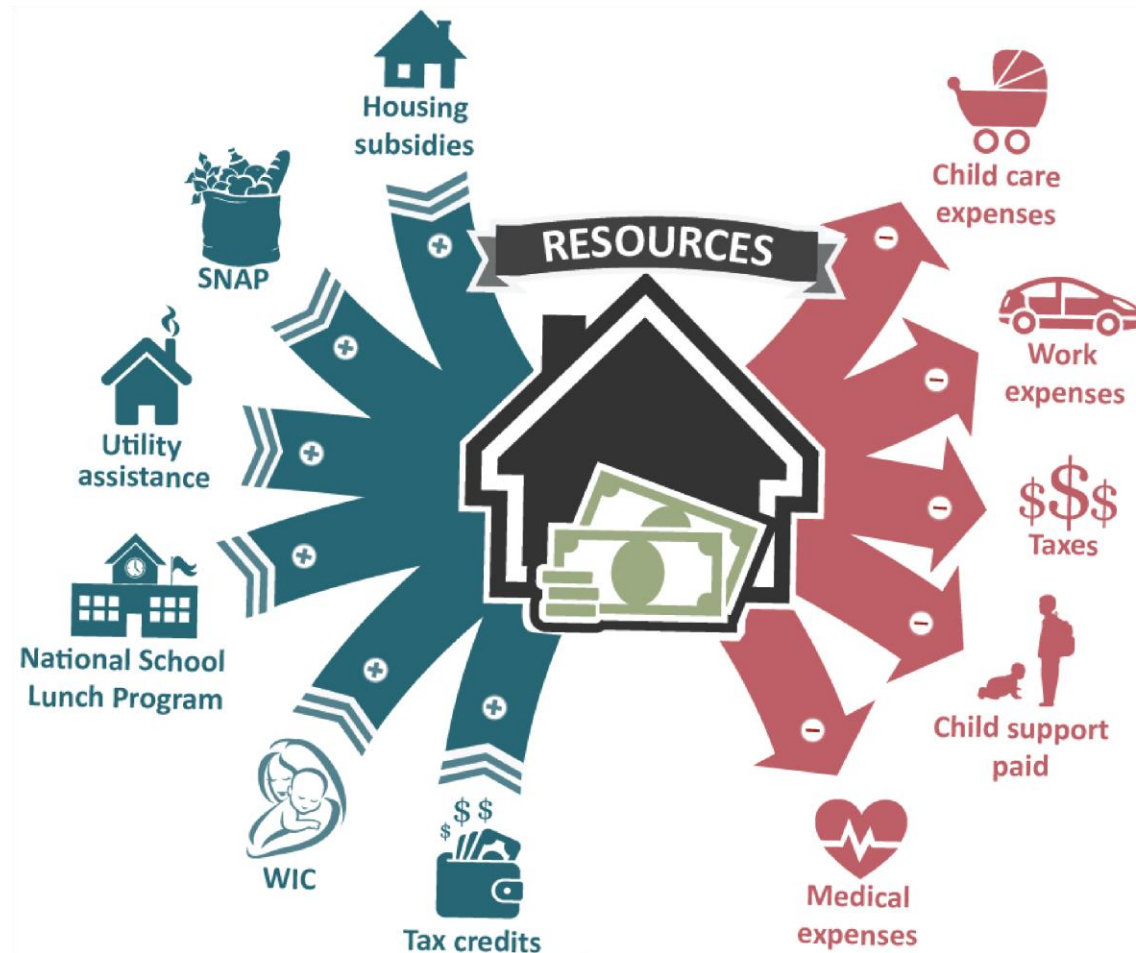
Poverty Rates by Age: 1959 to 2024



Poverty Rates by Race and Hispanic Origin: 1959 to 2024

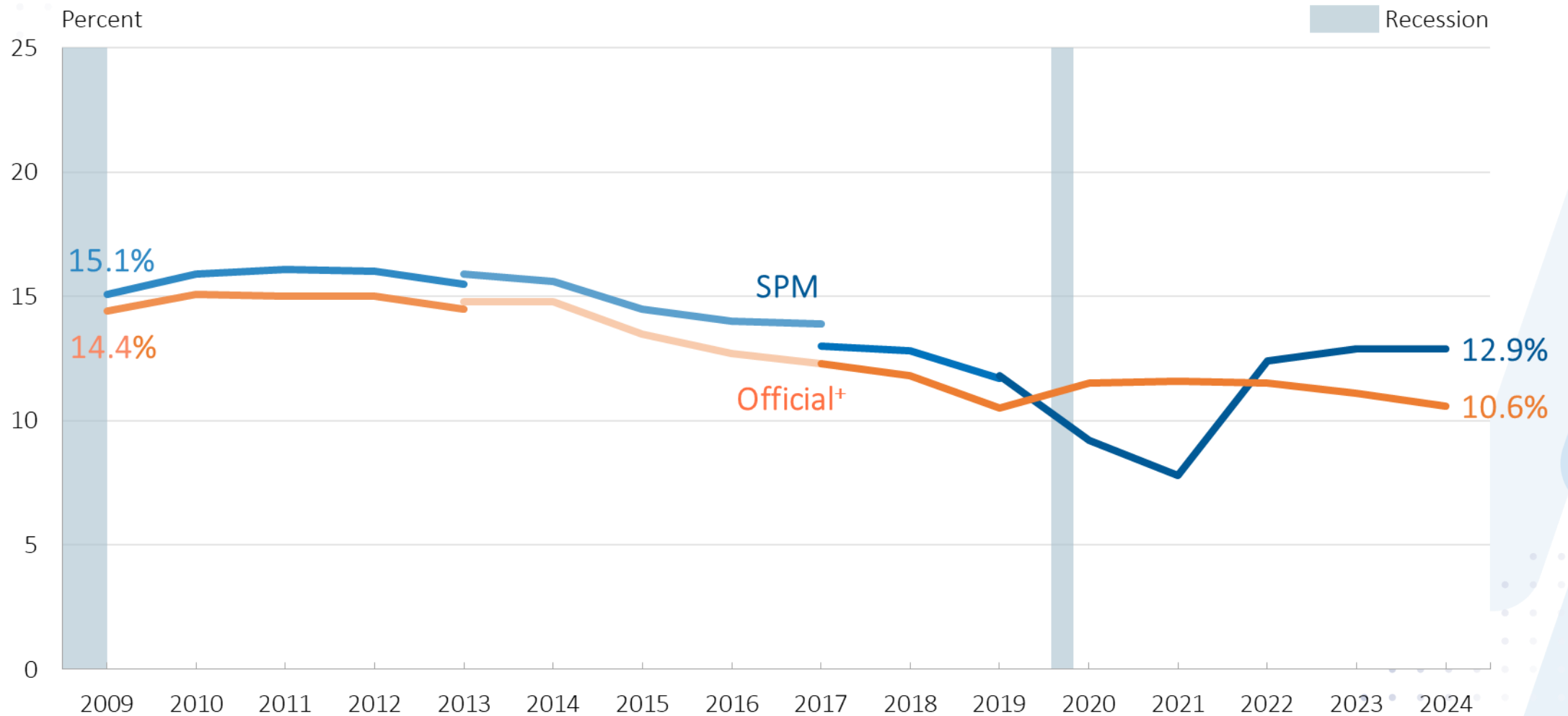


How the Census Bureau Measures Poverty: Supplemental Poverty Measure



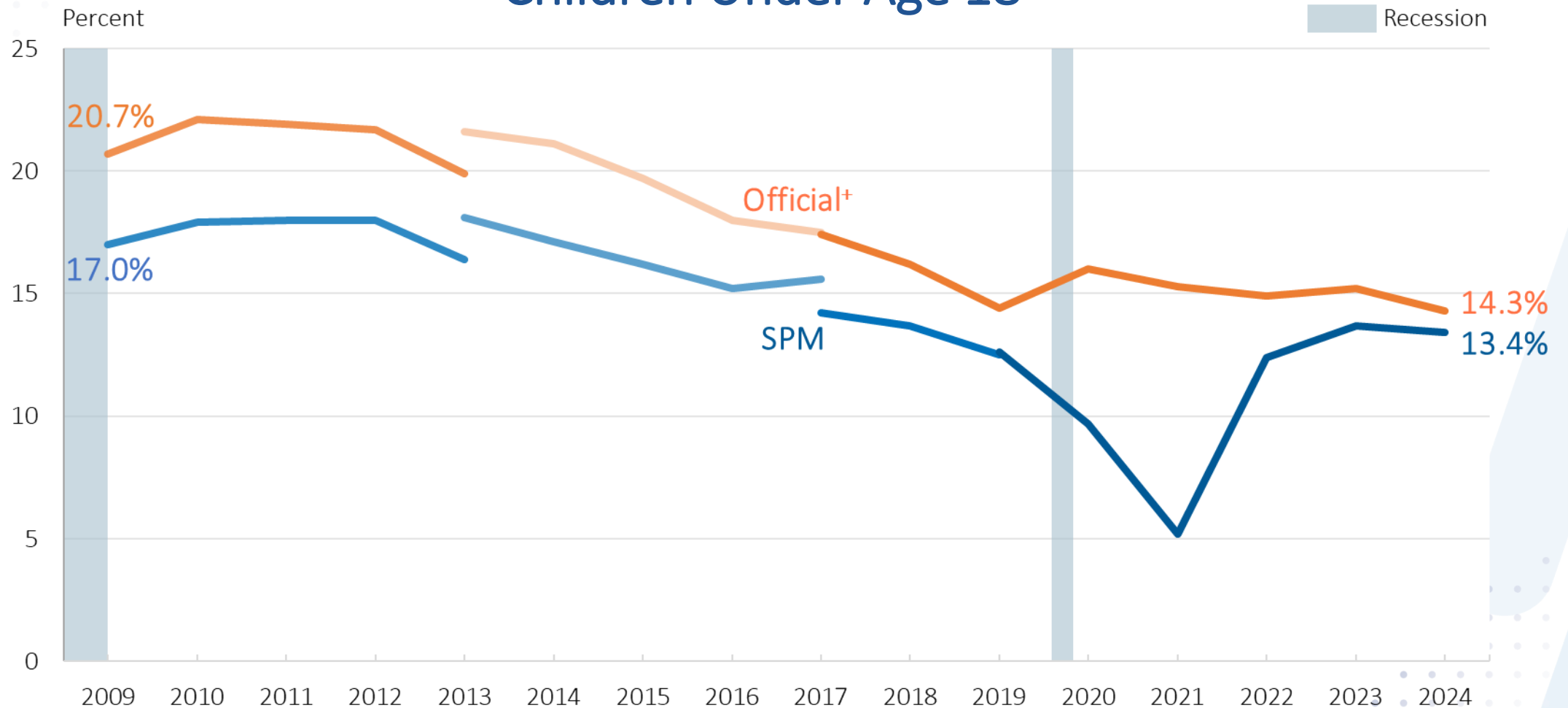
Threshold adjusted for family composition,
housing tenure, and geographic variation

Poverty Rates Using Official+ and the SPM: 2009 to 2024



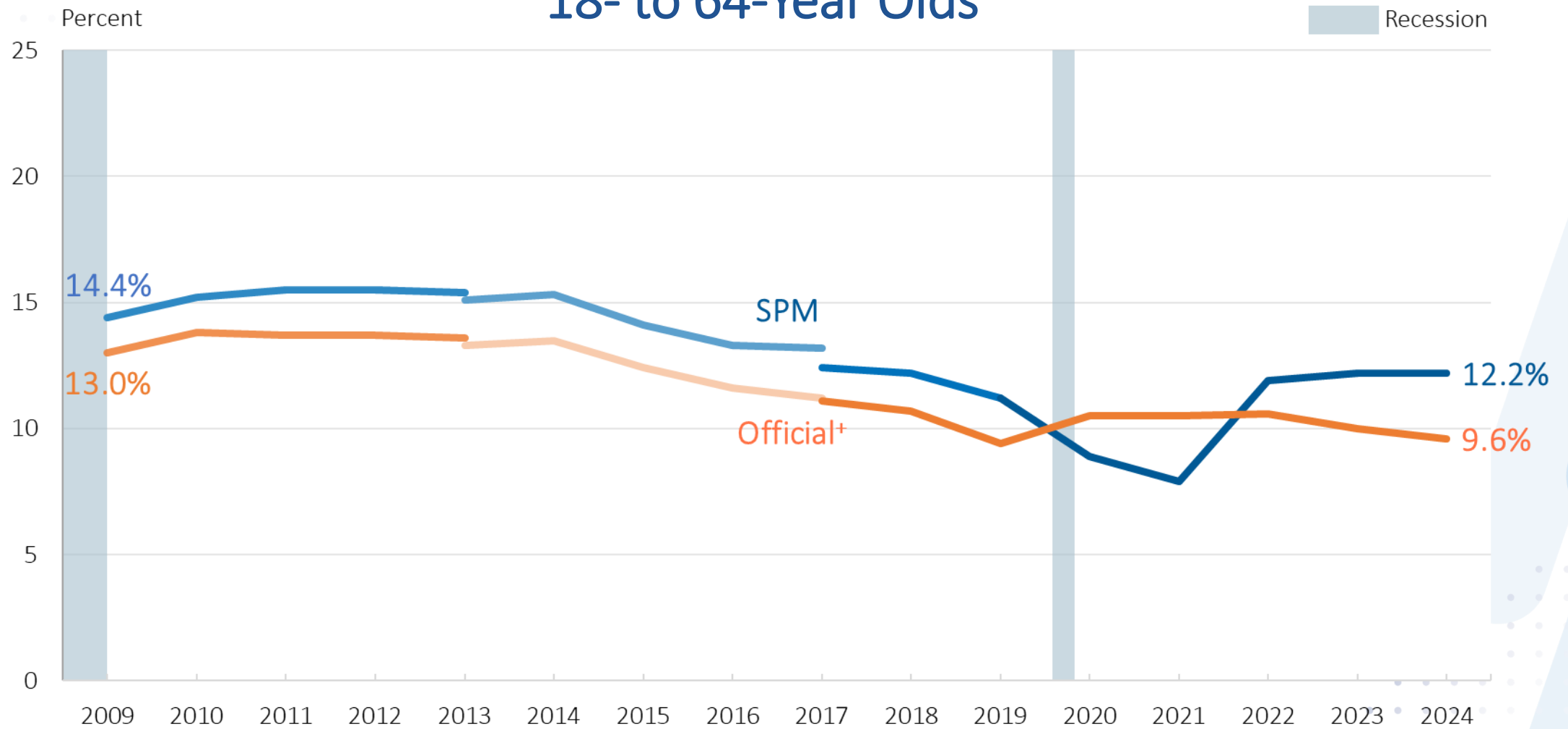
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Children Under Age 18



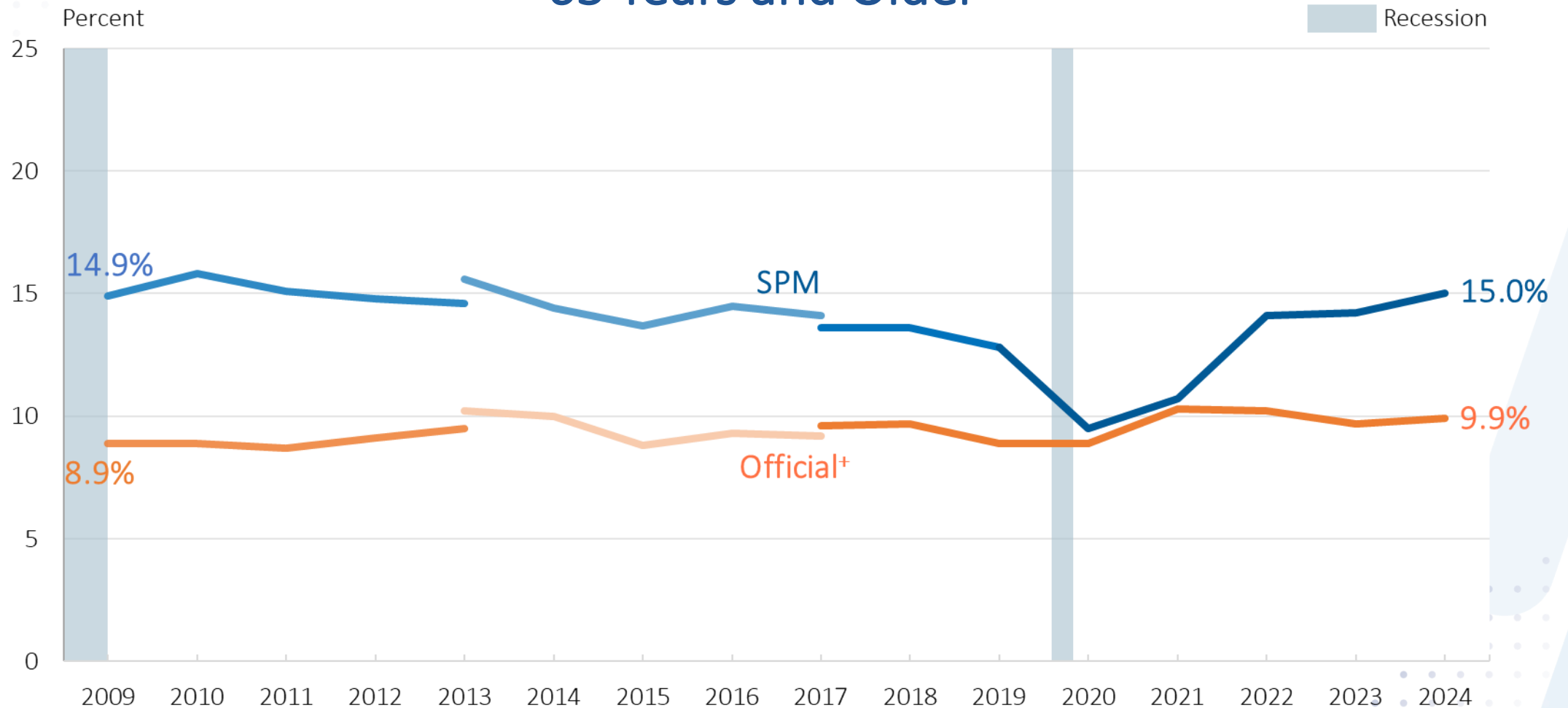
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18- to 64-Year Olds

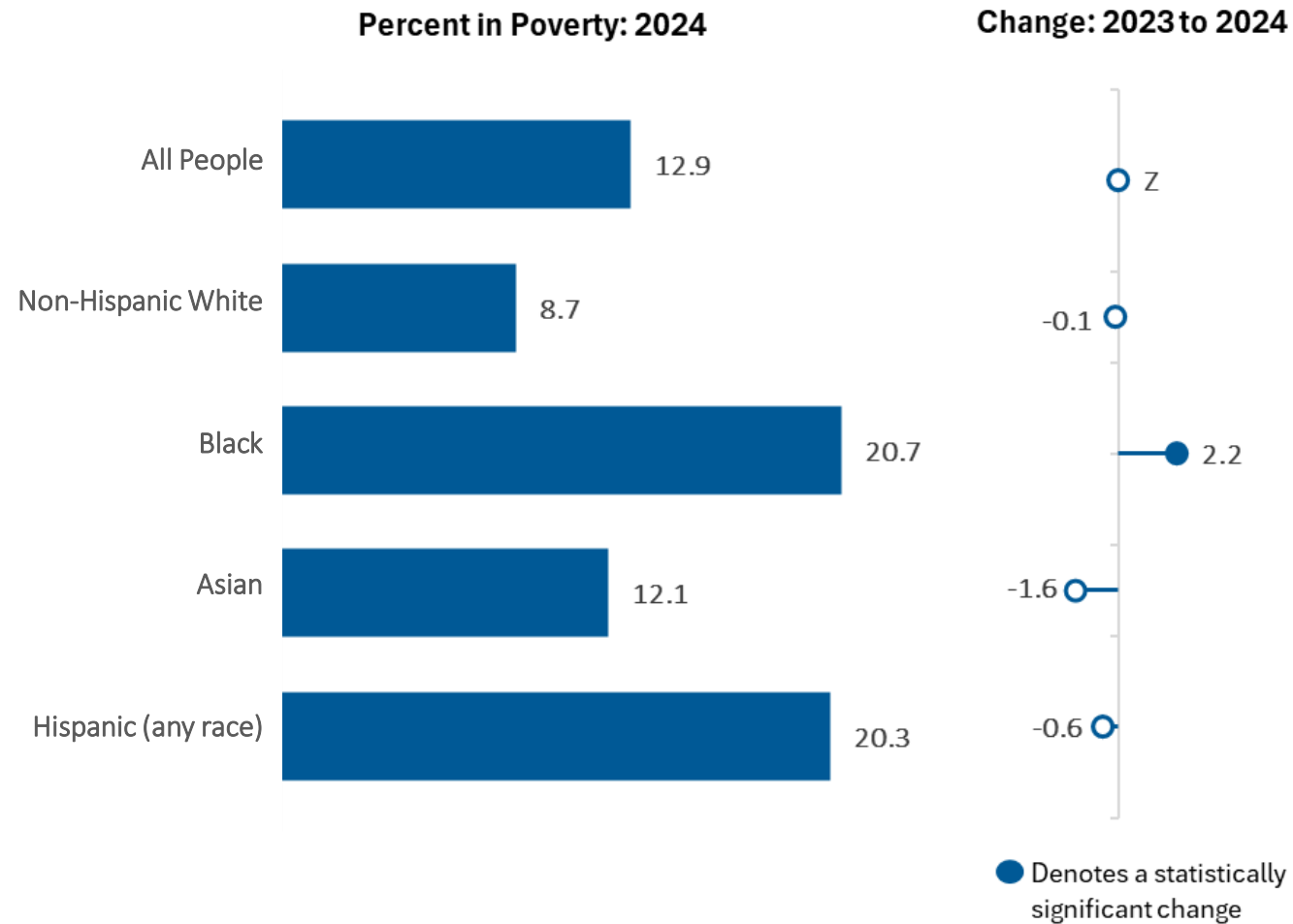


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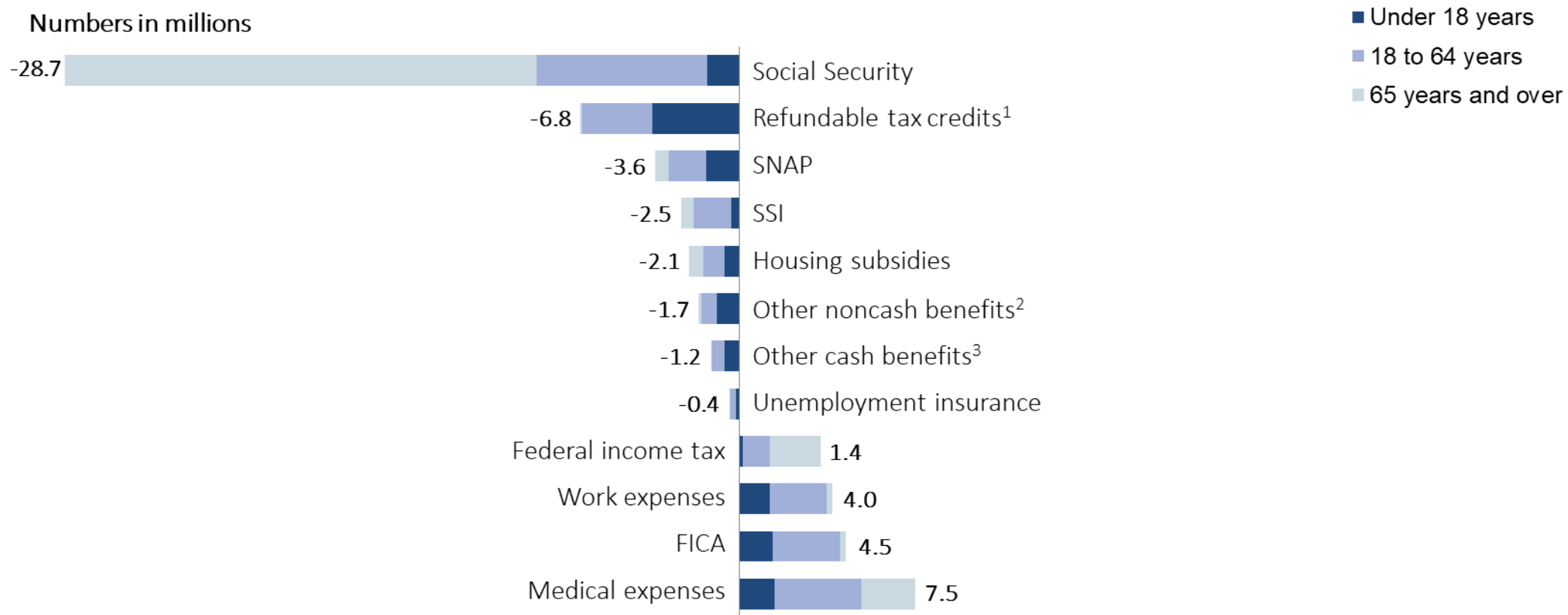
65 Years and Older



SPM Rates by Race and Hispanic Origin: 2023 to 2024



Change in Number of People in Supplemental Poverty After Including Each Element: 2024



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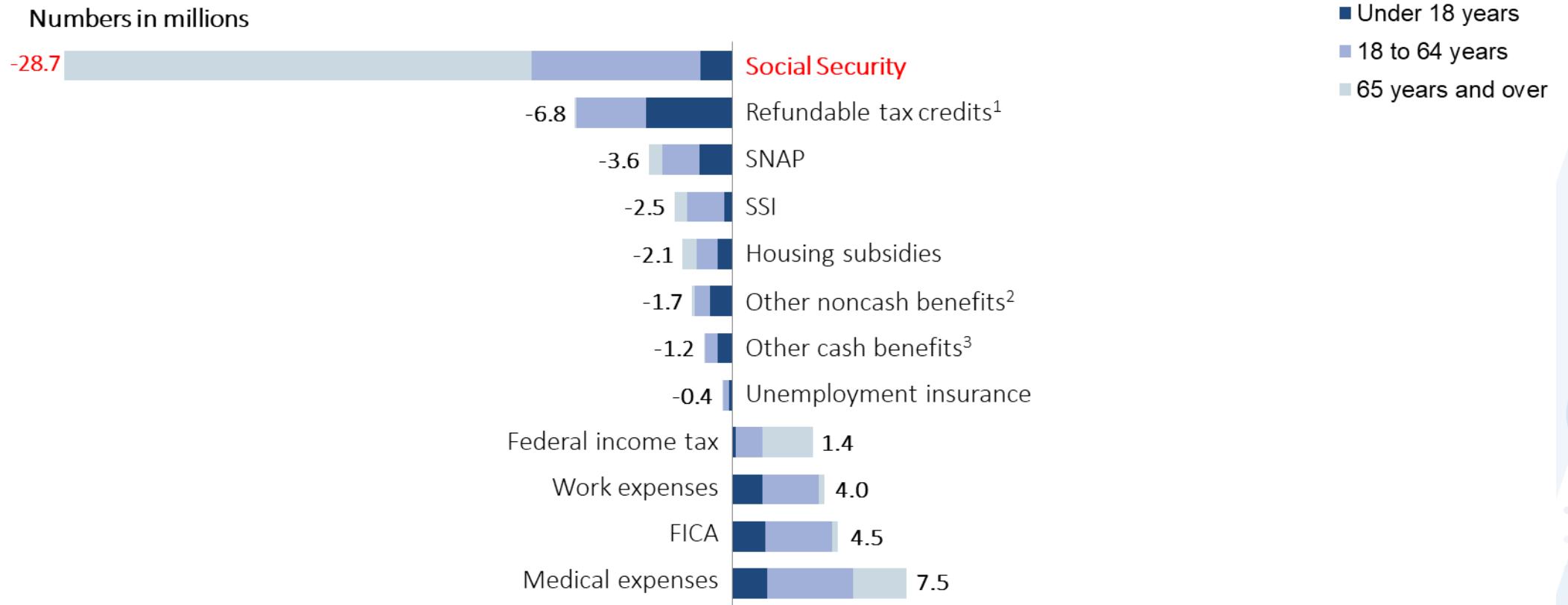
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Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Survey, 2025 Annual Social and Economic Supplement (CPS ASEC), Table B-7.

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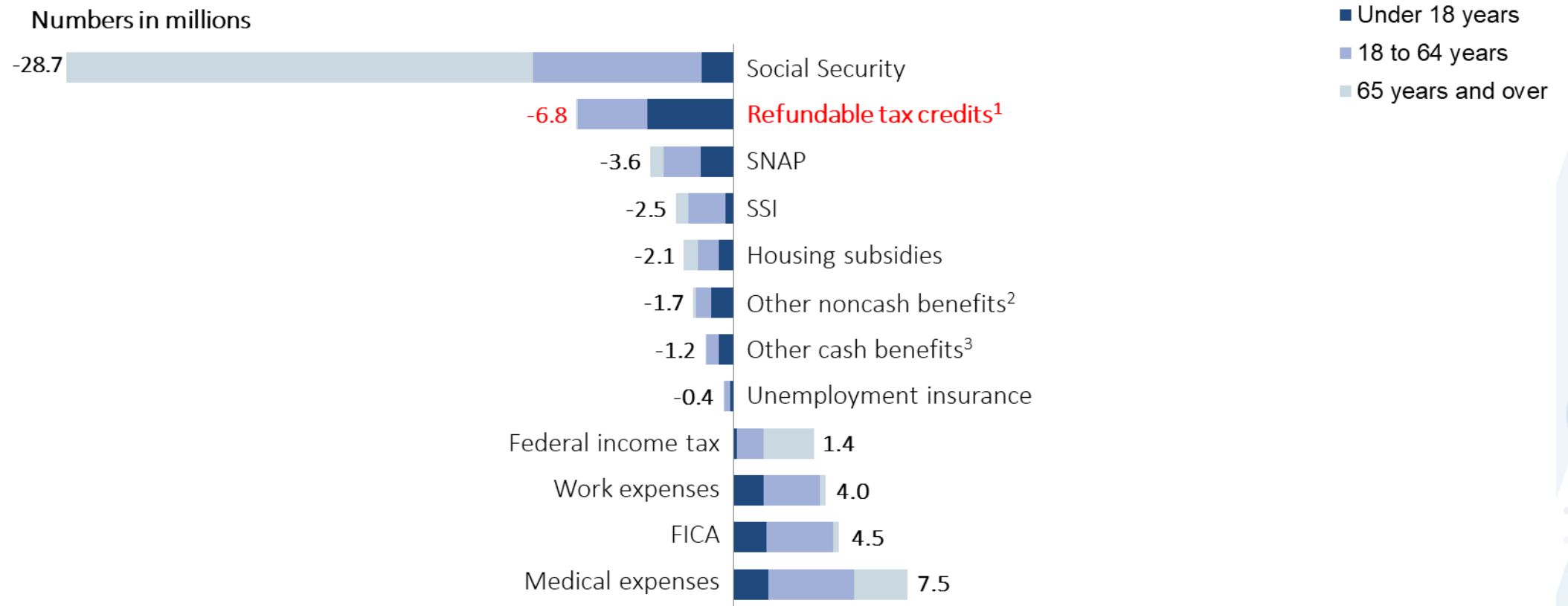
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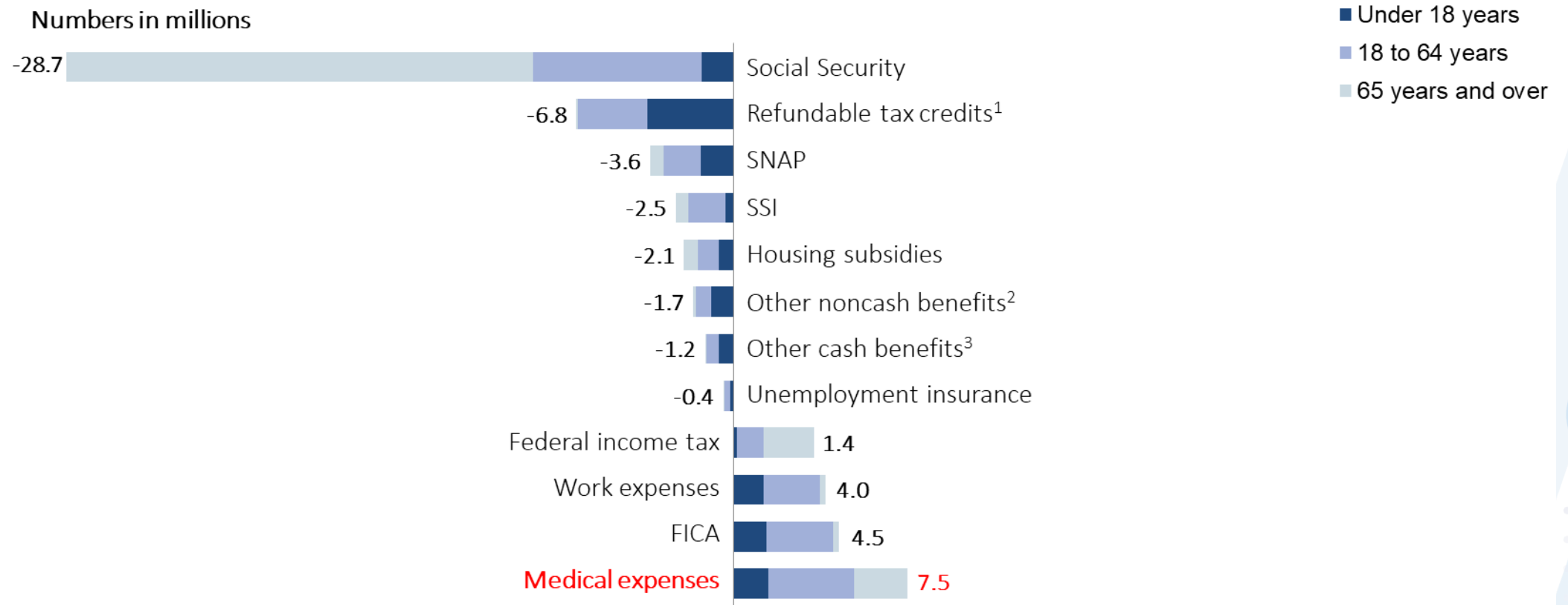
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HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE

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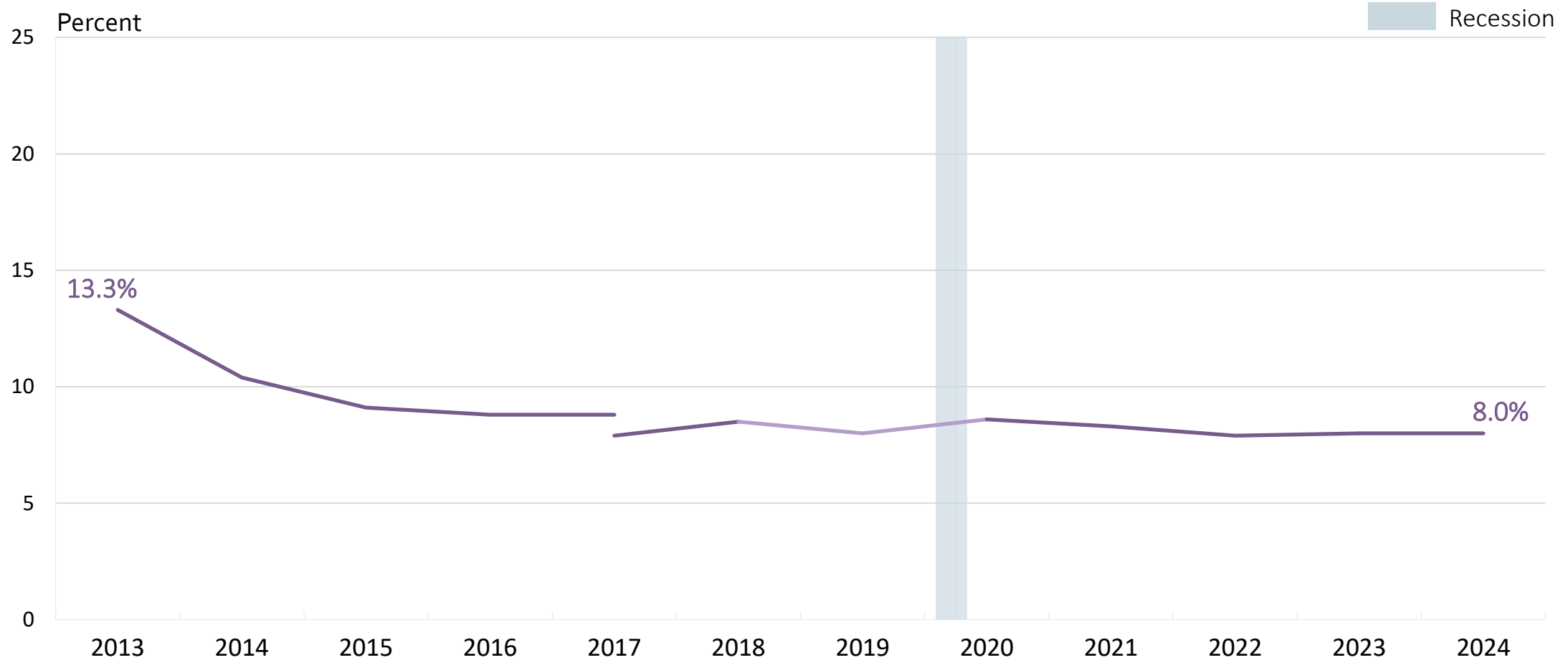


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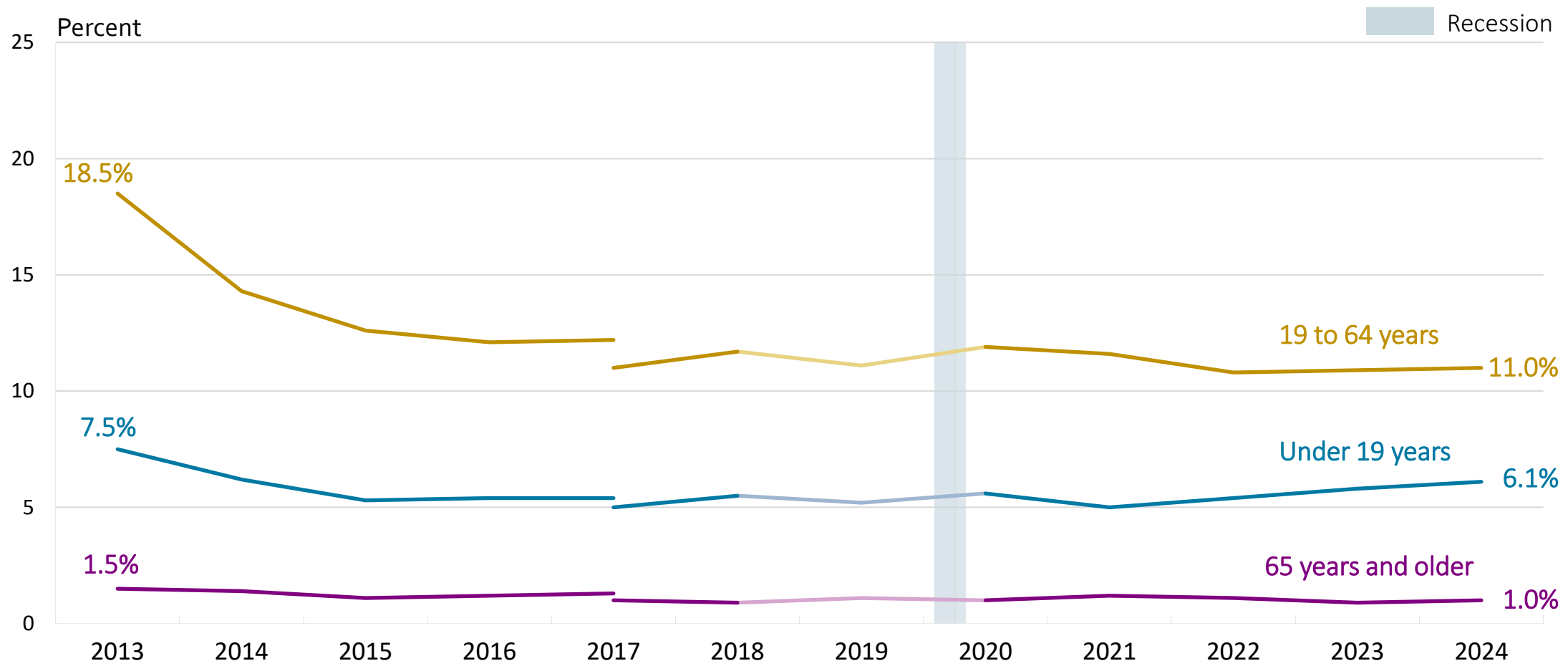


- In 2024, the uninsured rate was 8.0 percent.
- There was no statistically significant change in the uninsured rate between 2023 and 2024.

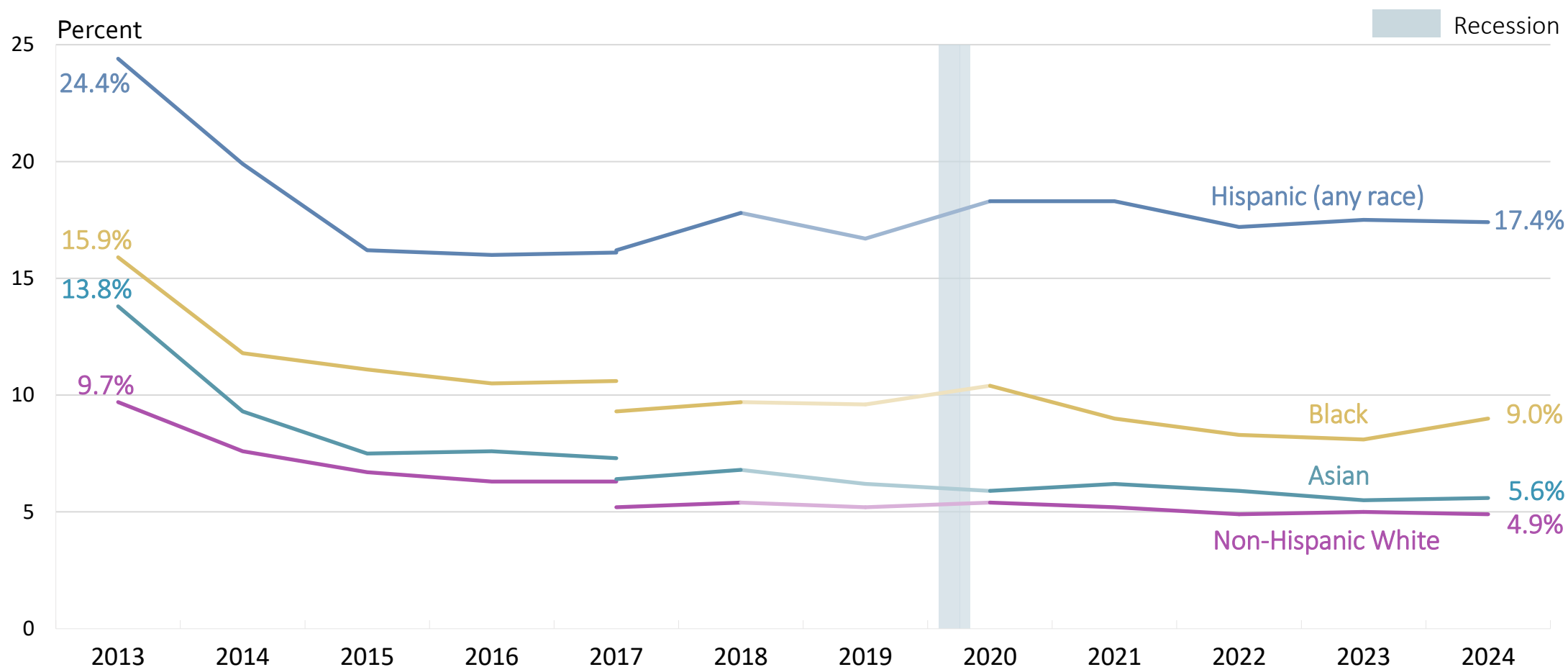
Uninsured Rate: 2013 to 2024



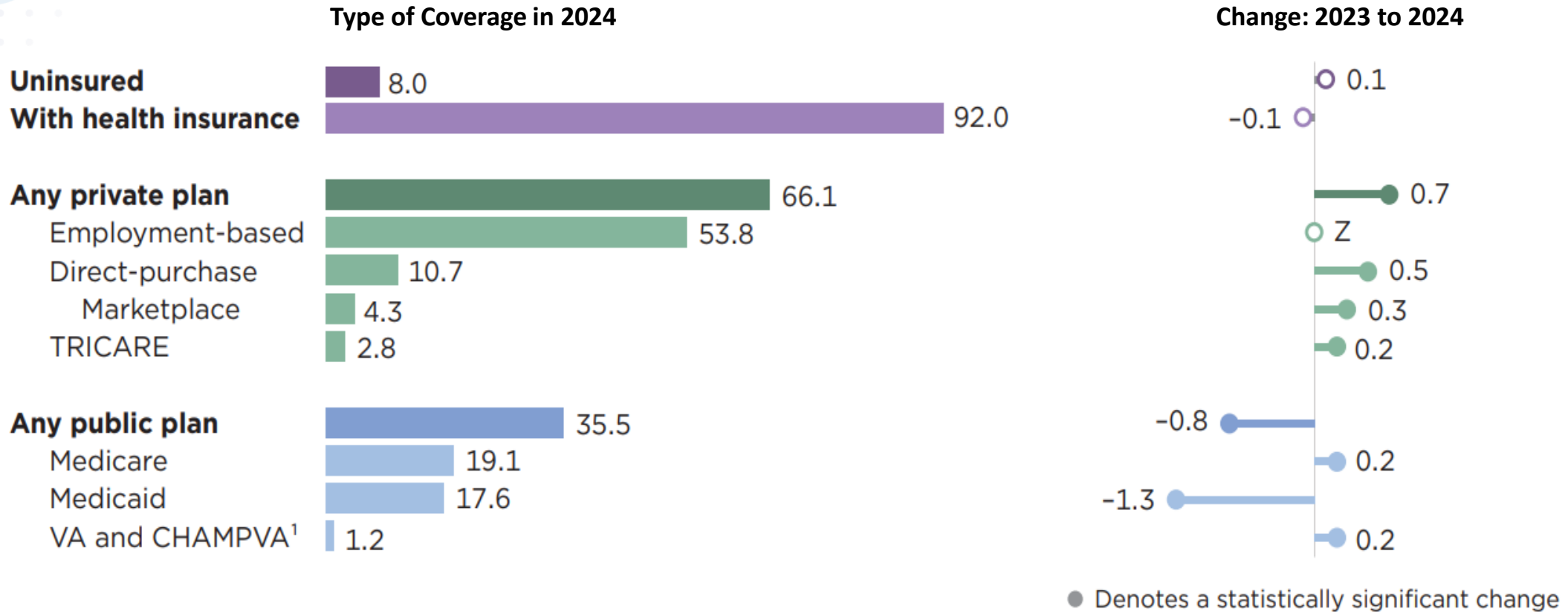
Uninsured Rate by Age: 2013 to 2024



Uninsured Rate by Race and Hispanic Origin: 2013 to 2024



Percentage of People by Type of Health Insurance Coverage: 2024



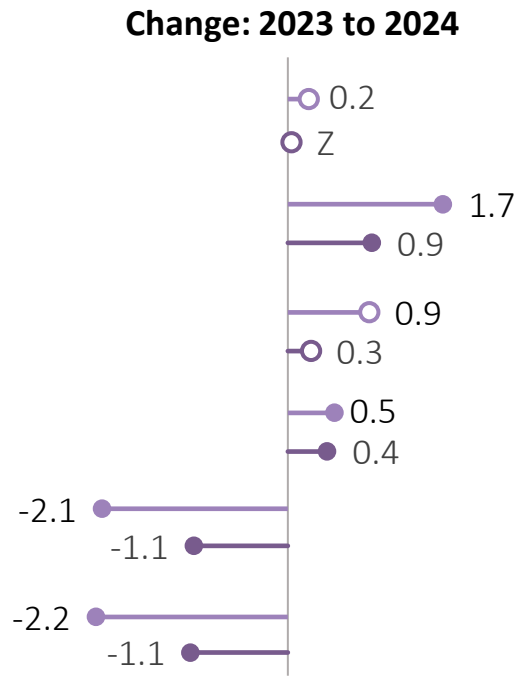
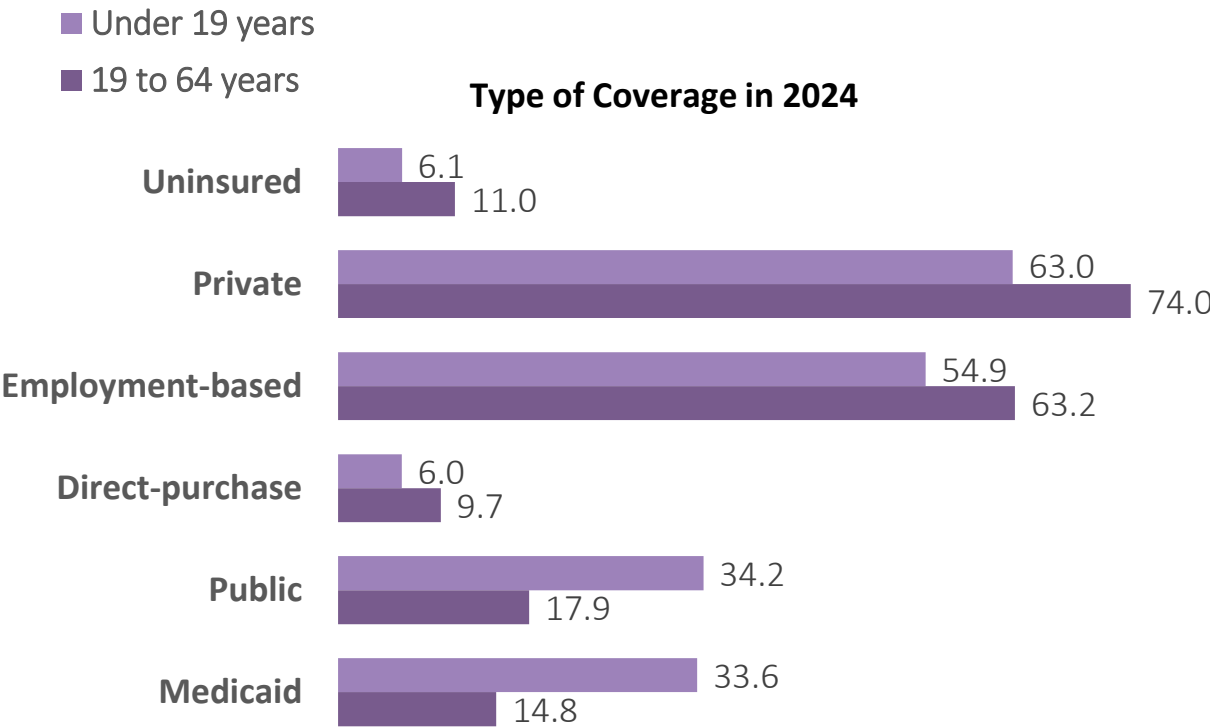
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¹Includes CHAMPVA (Civilian Health and Medical Program of the Department of Veterans Affairs), as well as care provided by the Department of Veterans Affairs and the military.

Note: Population as of March of the following year. The estimates by type of coverage are not mutually exclusive; people can be covered by more than one type of health insurance during the year. People are considered uninsured if they did not hold insurance for the entire calendar year.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Survey, 2024 and 2025 Annual Social and Economic Supplements (CPS ASEC), Table H-01.

Percentage of People by Selected Type of Health Insurance Coverage and Age: 2024



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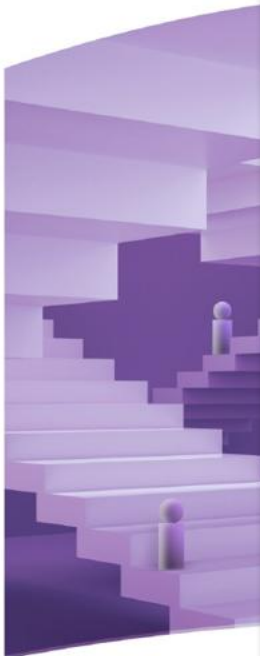
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 - Real median household income was \$83,730.
 - The official poverty rate was 10.6 percent.
 - The SPM rate was 12.9 percent.
 - The uninsured rate was 8.0 percent.

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No Significant Change in Estimated U.S. Median Household Income

September 09, 2025

Compared to pre-pandemic estimates from 2019, only Hispanic households experienced a significant increase in median household income in 2024.



Income and Poverty

Supplemental Poverty Rate Below Official Poverty Rate in 10 States

September 09, 2025

Annual national SPM rates ranged from 12.4% to 12.9% and official poverty rates ranged from 10.6% to 11.5% between 2022 and 2024.



Health Insurance

Health Insurance Coverage Varied Significantly by Occupation

September 09, 2025

In 2024, farming, fishing and forestry occupations had among the highest uninsured rates among workers ages 19 to 64.



Income and Poverty

How Education Impacted Income and Earnings From 2004 to 2024

September 09, 2025

U.S. median inflation-adjusted income for householders age 25 and over rose 18% from 2004 to 2024 but income gains varied widely by education levels.



Income and Poverty

U.S. Tax System Reduces Income Inequality But Gaps Remain

September 09, 2025

Household incomes were more equal after accounting for taxes and credits but both pretax and post-tax income inequality rose between 2009 and 2024.



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