

A person is standing in a dark, circular maze, holding a flashlight that illuminates the path ahead. The maze is made of stone walls and has a circular opening in the center. The person is silhouetted against the light from the flashlight.

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NOW**

DALLAS 2018

**HOMELESS YOUTH ADDRESS
2018**

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FOR TODAY'S EVENT**

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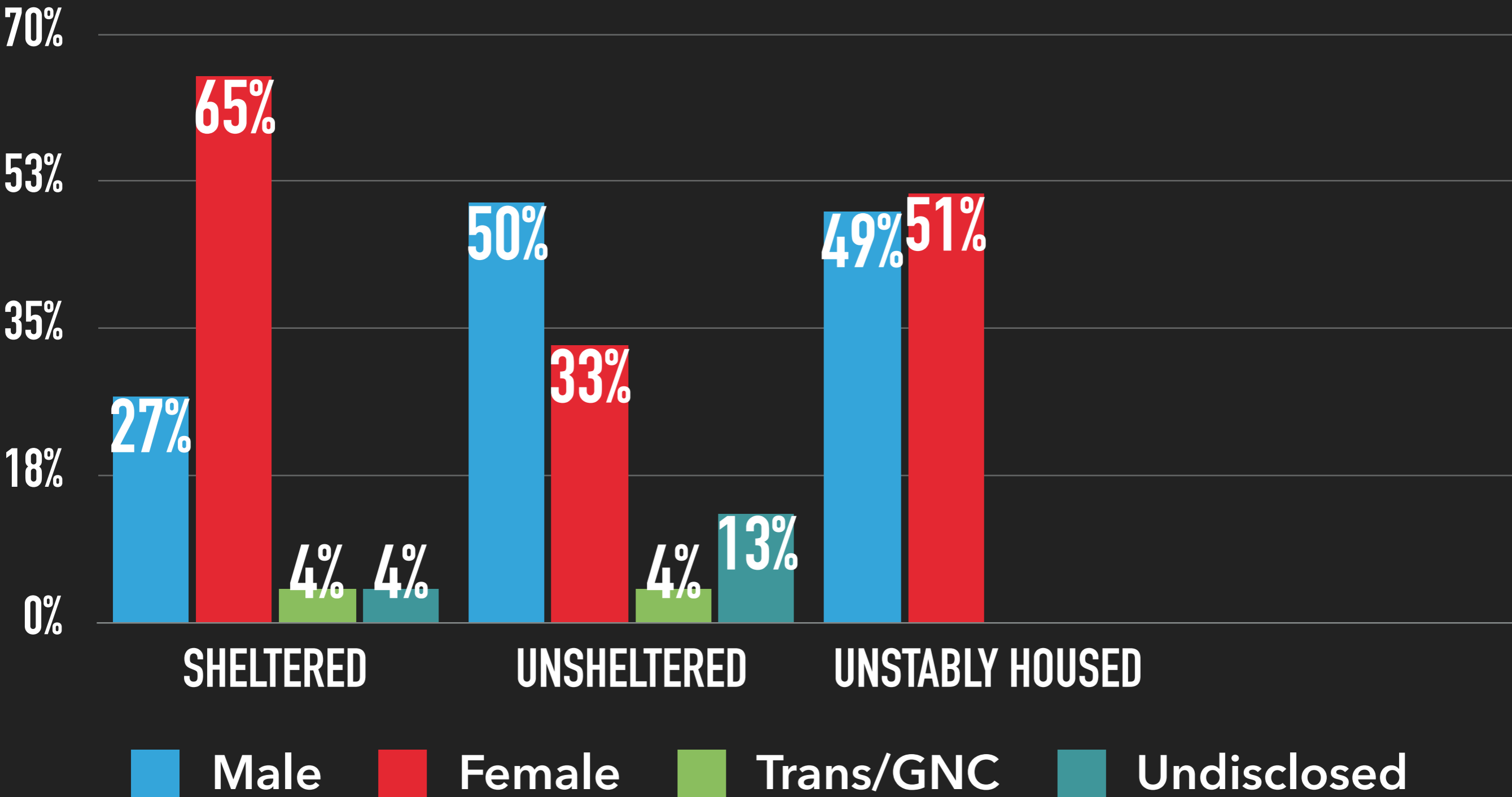
**CHIEF PARTNER RELATIONS
OFFICER, PROMISE HOUSE**

**INTERACTIVE ELEMENT:
HOMELESS SIMULATION
CITY SQUARE TRAC**

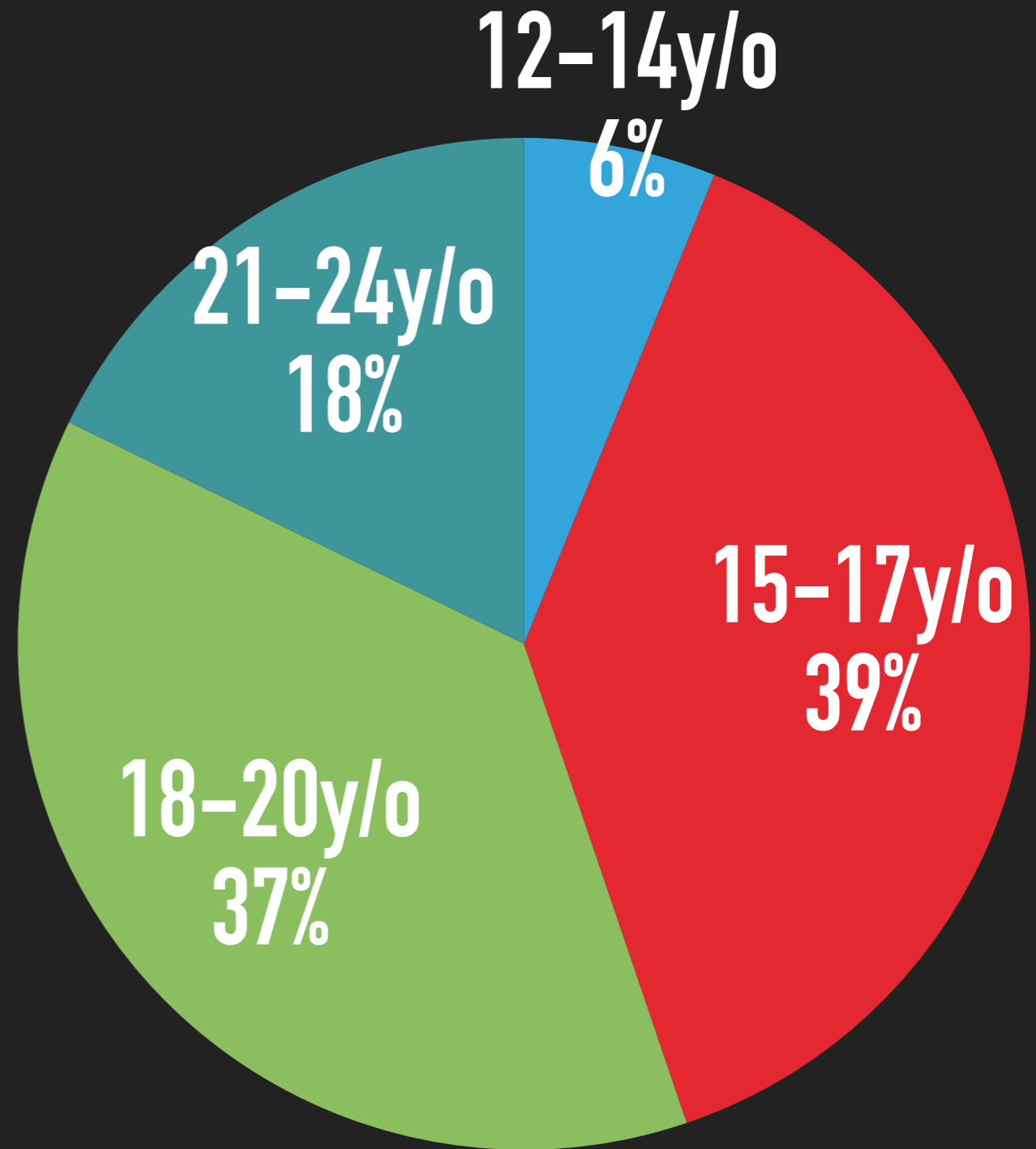
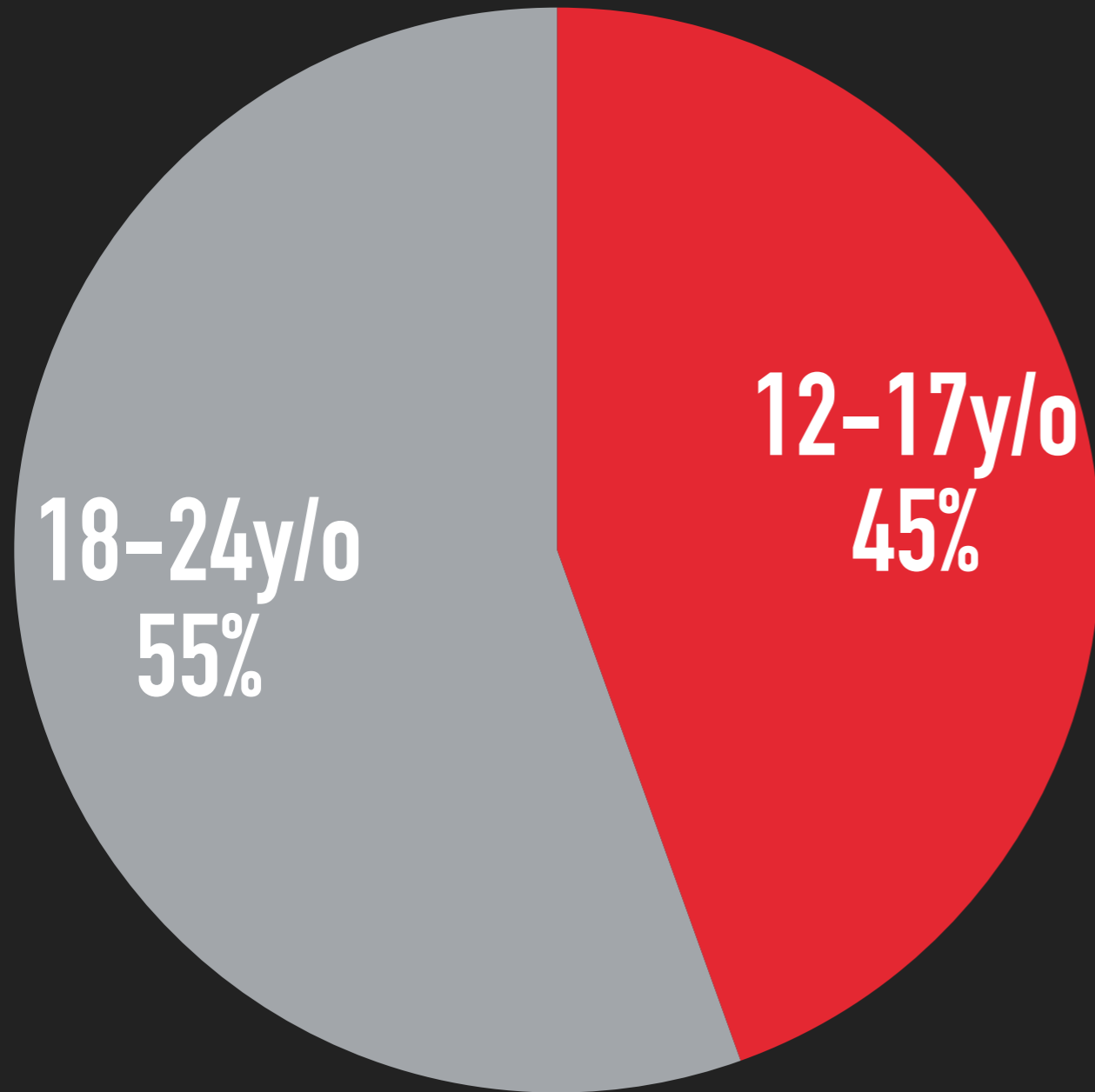
BACKGROUND & METHODS

- ▶ Origins
- ▶ Study methodology:
 - Outreach
 - Service providers
 - Local school districts
- ▶ Criteria
- ▶ Total surveyed

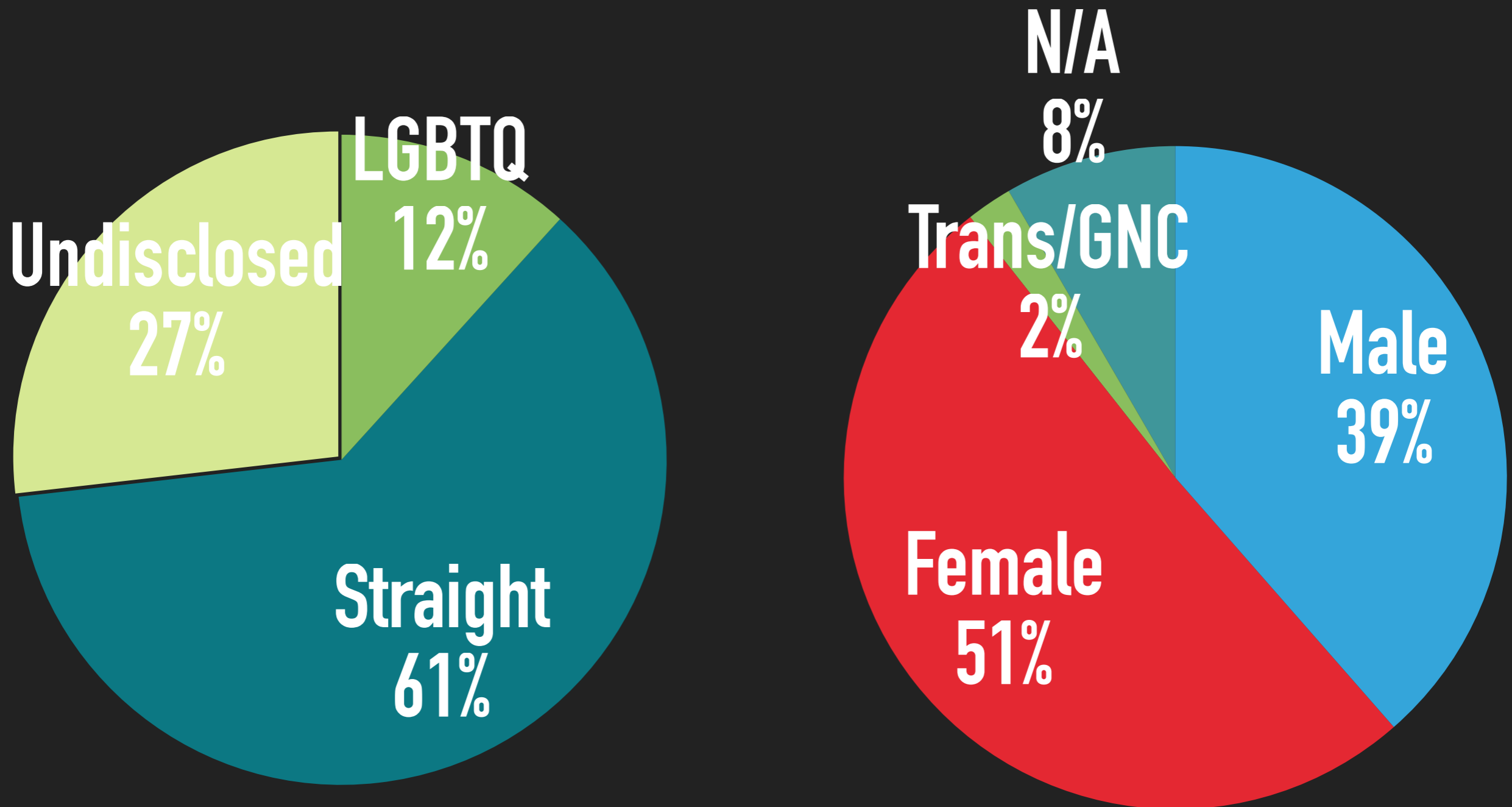
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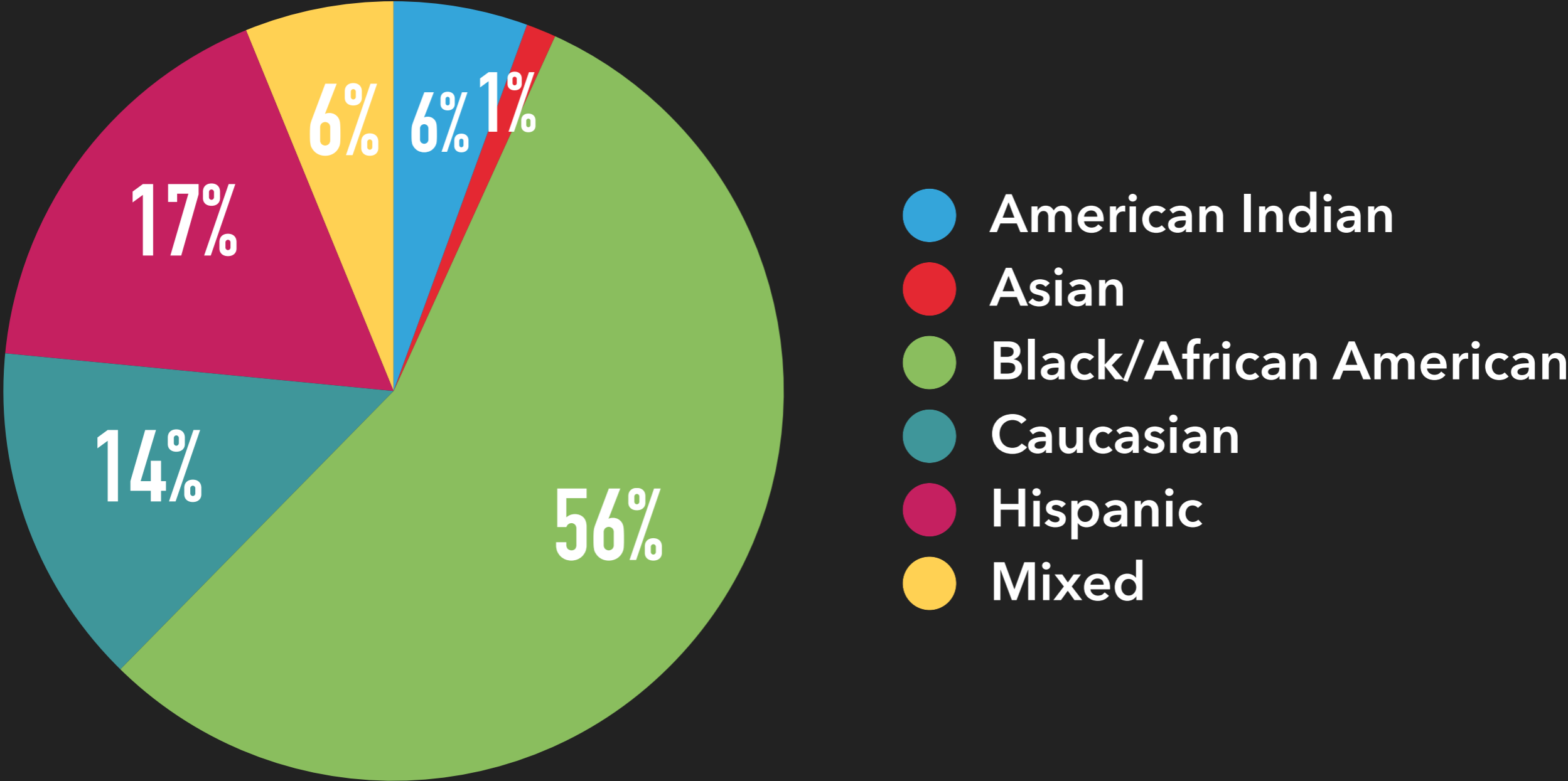
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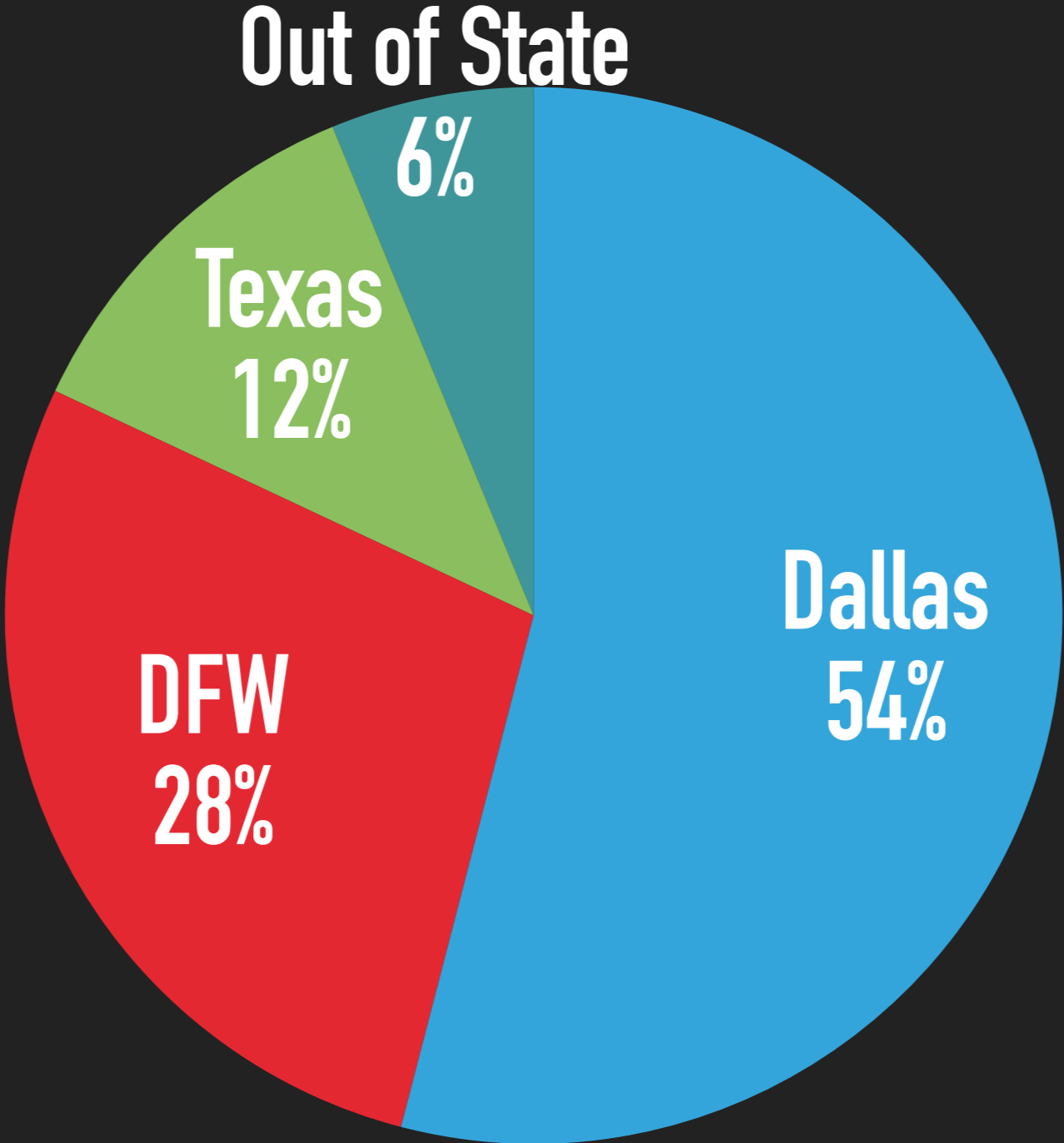
SEXUAL ORIENTATION & GENDER IDENTITY (SOGIE)



RACE



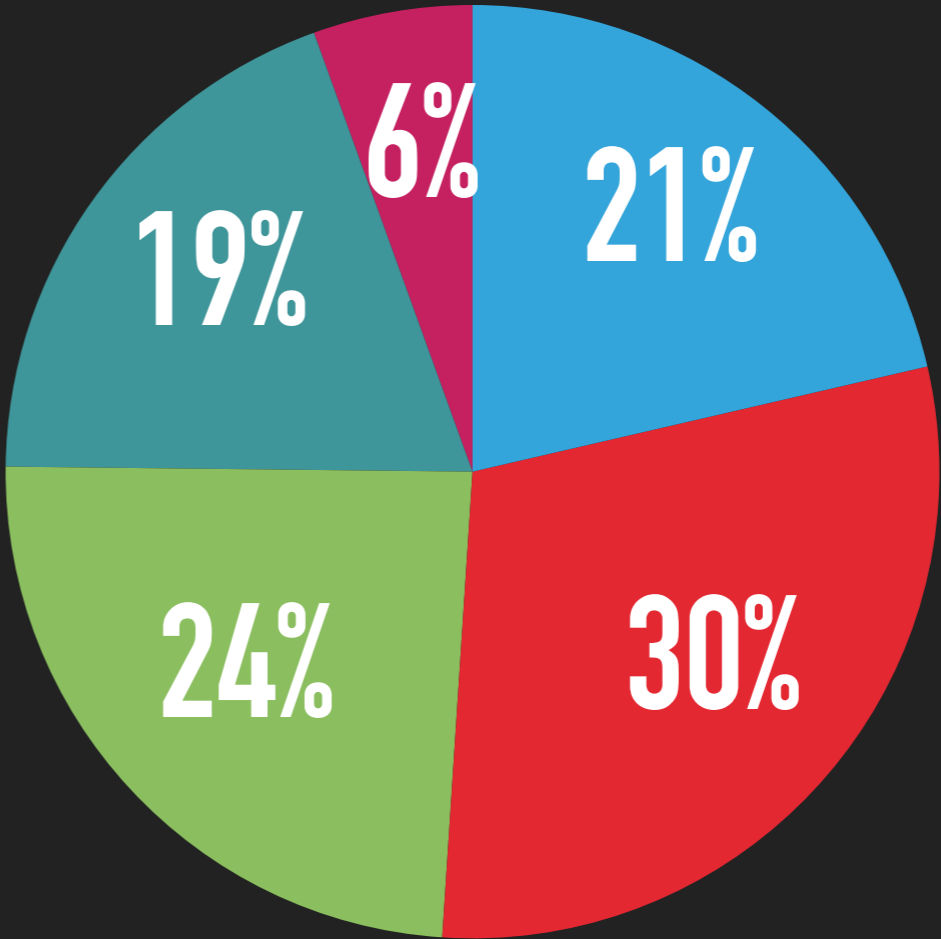
LAST LOCATION



HOMELESS EXPERIENCES

PREVIOUS EPISODES OF HOMELESSNESS

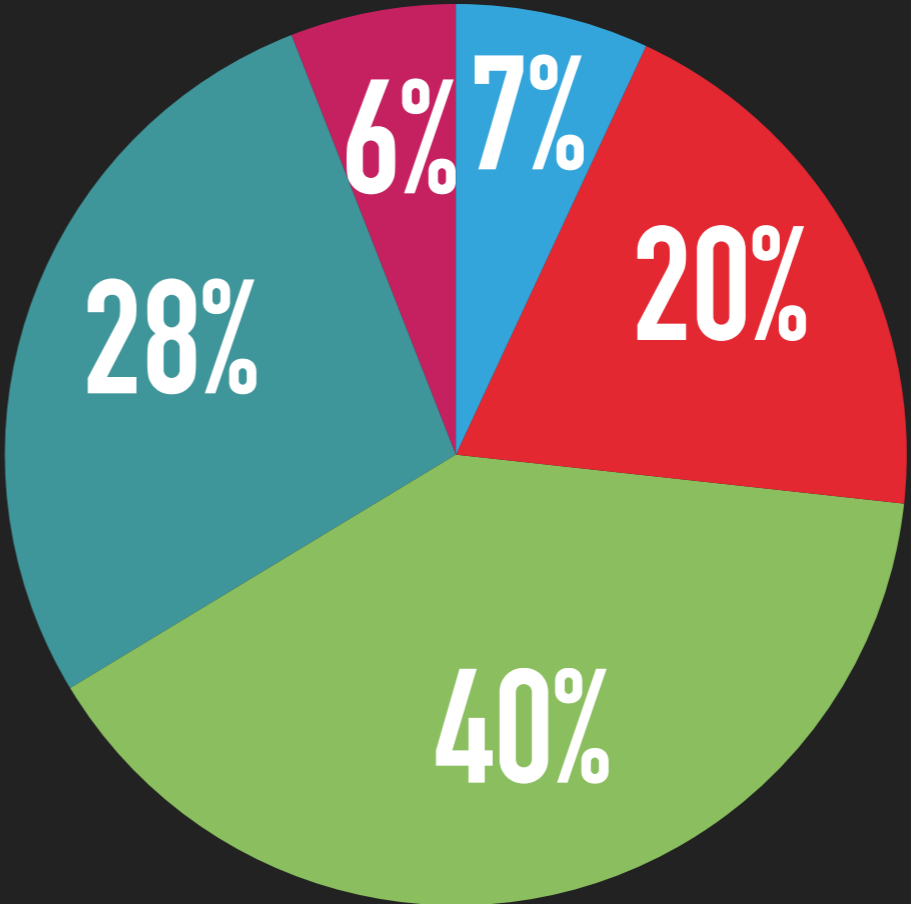
- Never
- 1x
- 2-3x's
- 4+x's
- Unsure



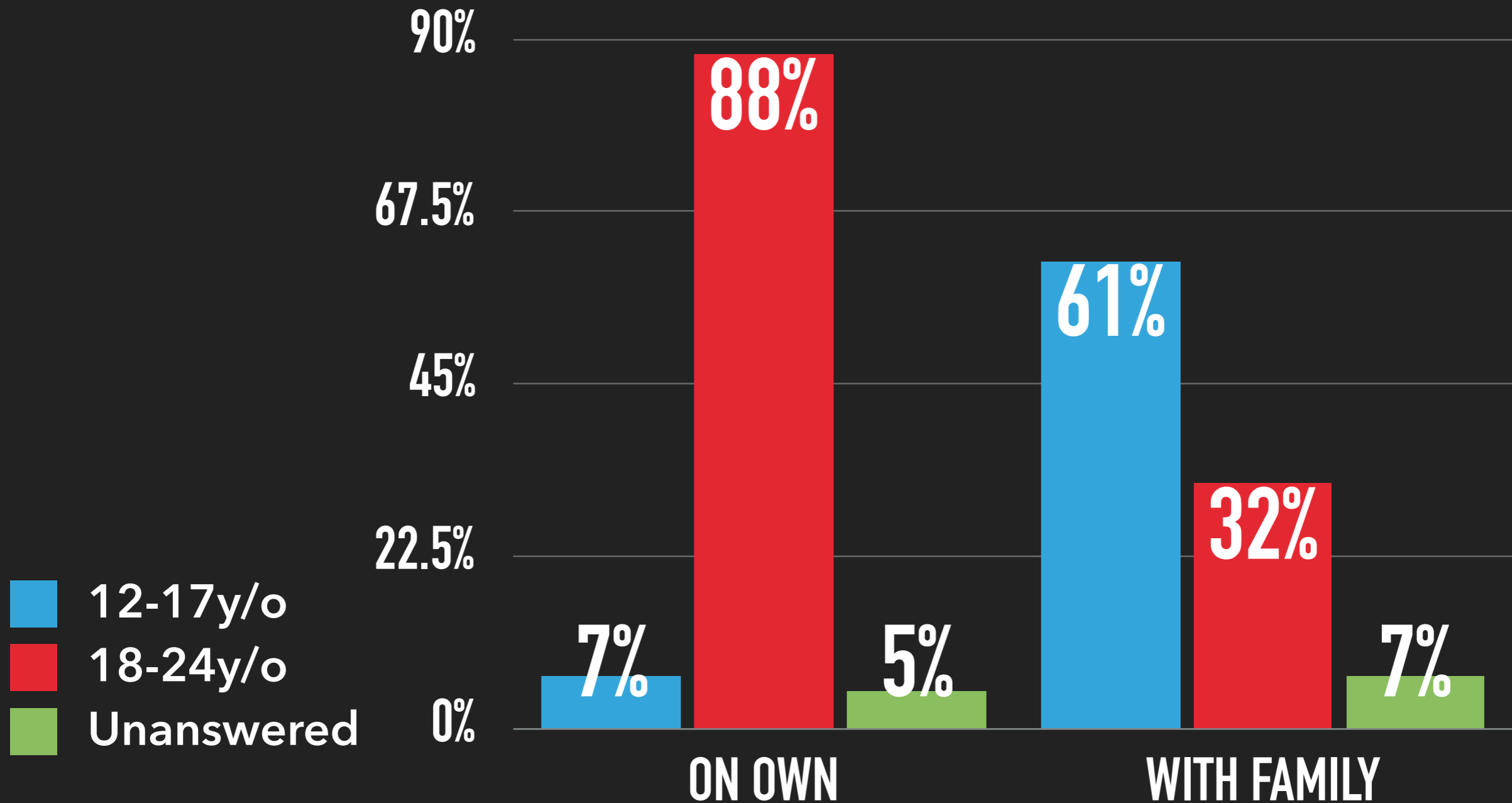
HOMELESS EXPERIENCES

AGE FIRST EXPERIENCED HOMELESSNESS

- 0-11
- 12-14
- 15-17
- 18-21
- 22-24



FIRST EXPERIENCE OF HOMELESSNESS

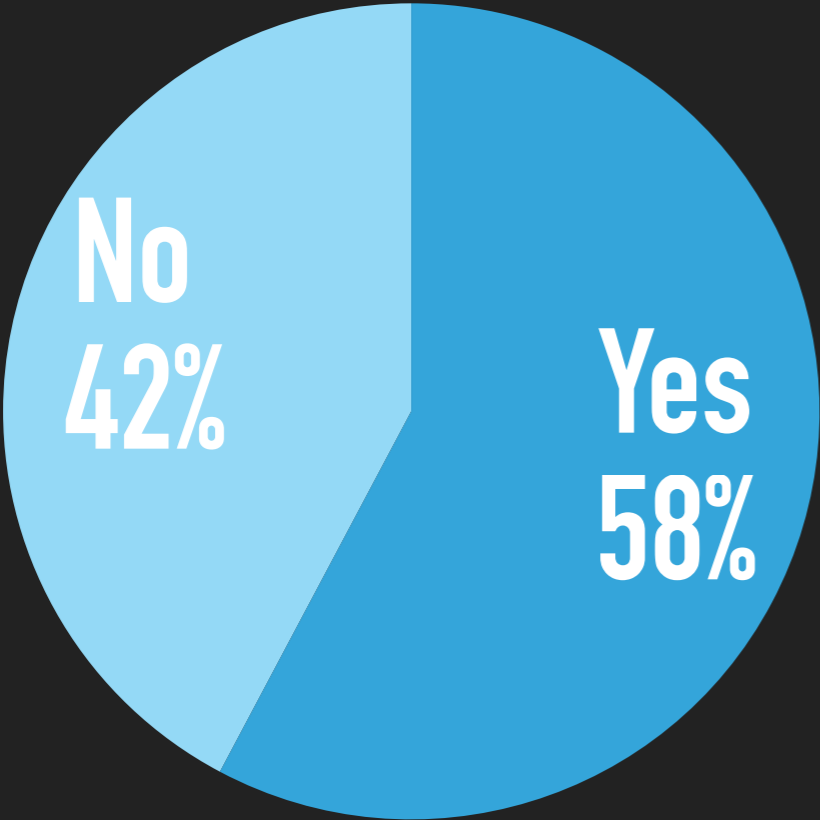


TOP REASONS FOR HOMELESSNESS

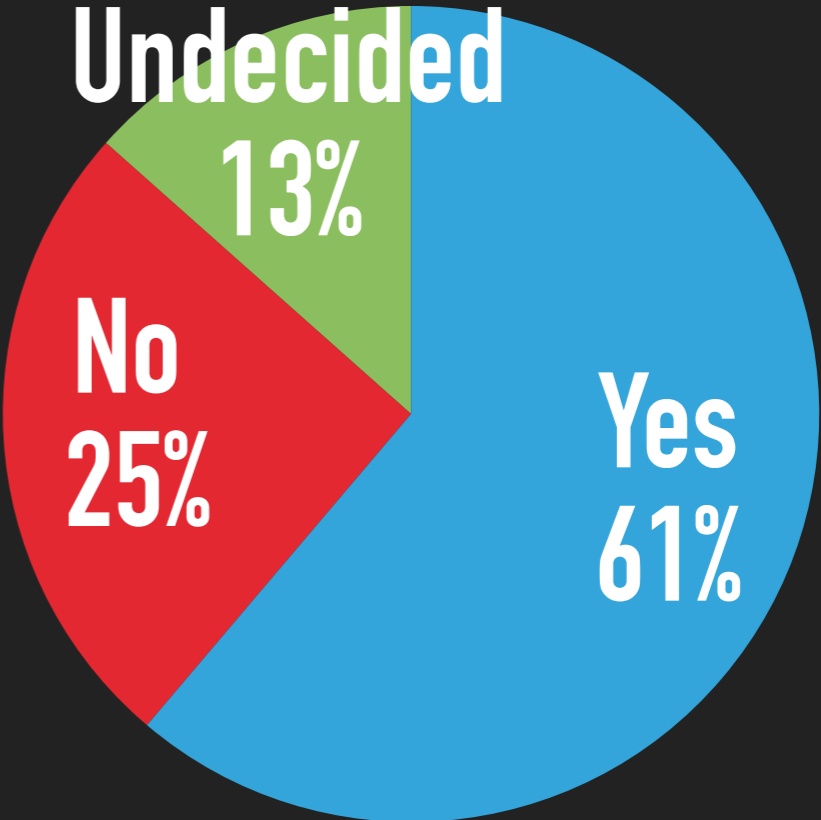
- ▶ 1) Financial reasons and/or unable to pay rent/mortgage
- ▶ 2) Forced out/kicked out of home
- ▶ 3) Unemployment
- ▶ 4) Domestic violence
- ▶ 5) Ran away from home
- ▶ Other reasons include: abandonment by parent/guardian; too crowded (doubled-up); substance abuse; criminal record/left jail/prison/detention center; etc.

EDUCATION

CURRENTLY ENROLLED IN SCHOOL

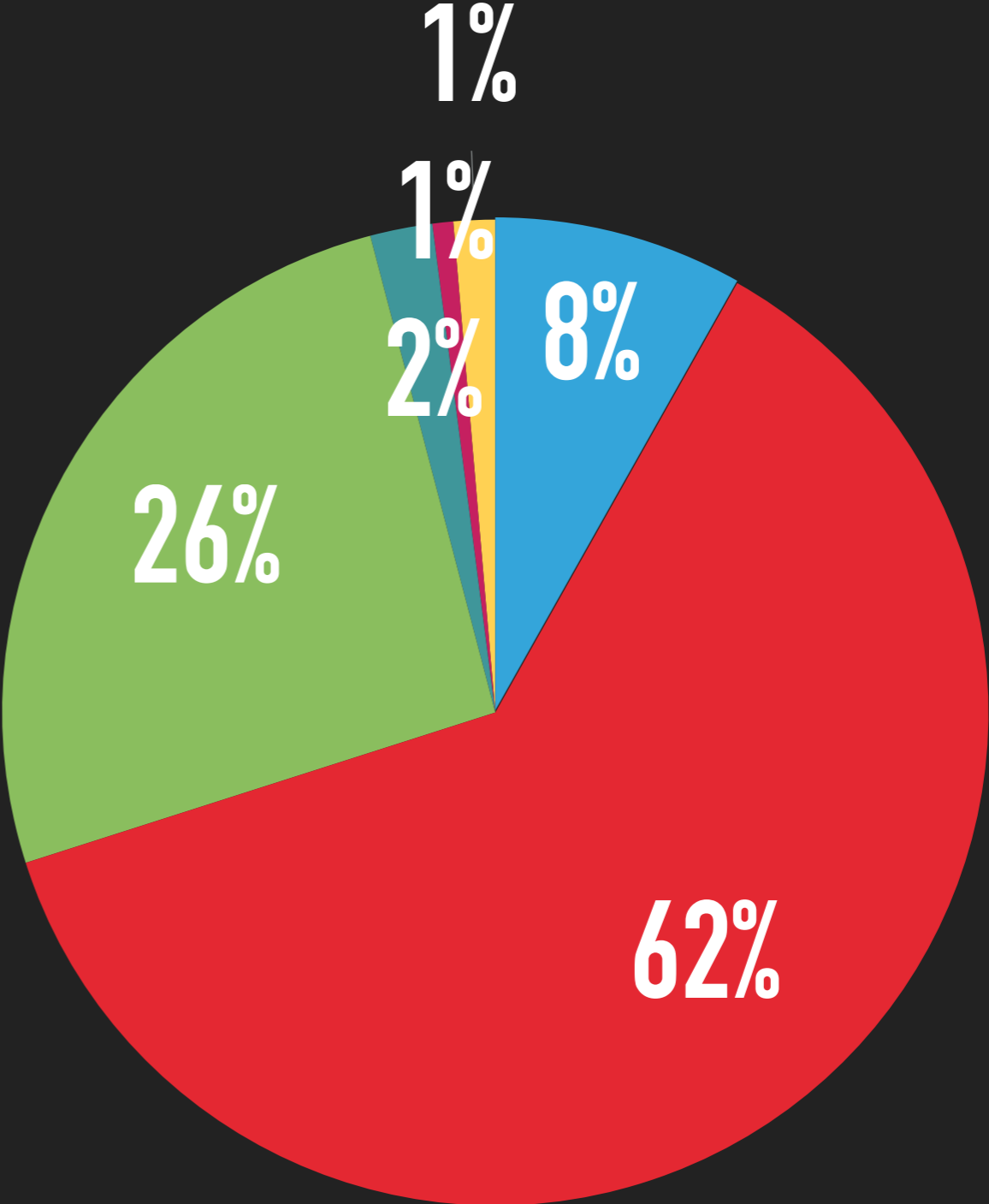


IF "NO," PLANS TO RETURN



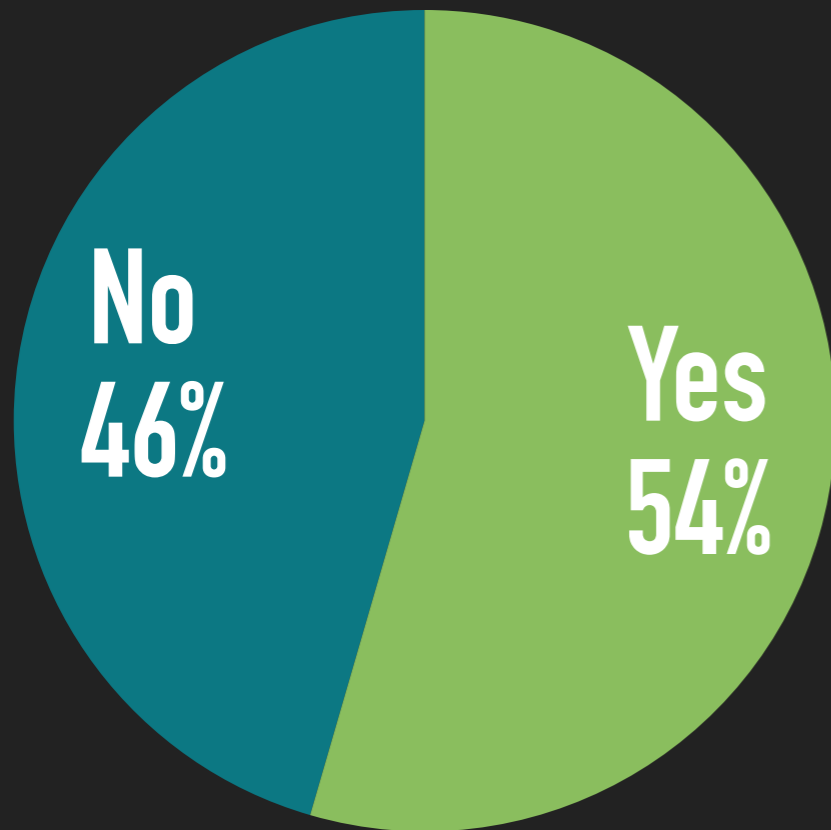
HIGHEST LEVEL OF EDUCATION

- > 9th gr
- Some HS
- HS Diploma
- GED
- College Grad
- Tech School

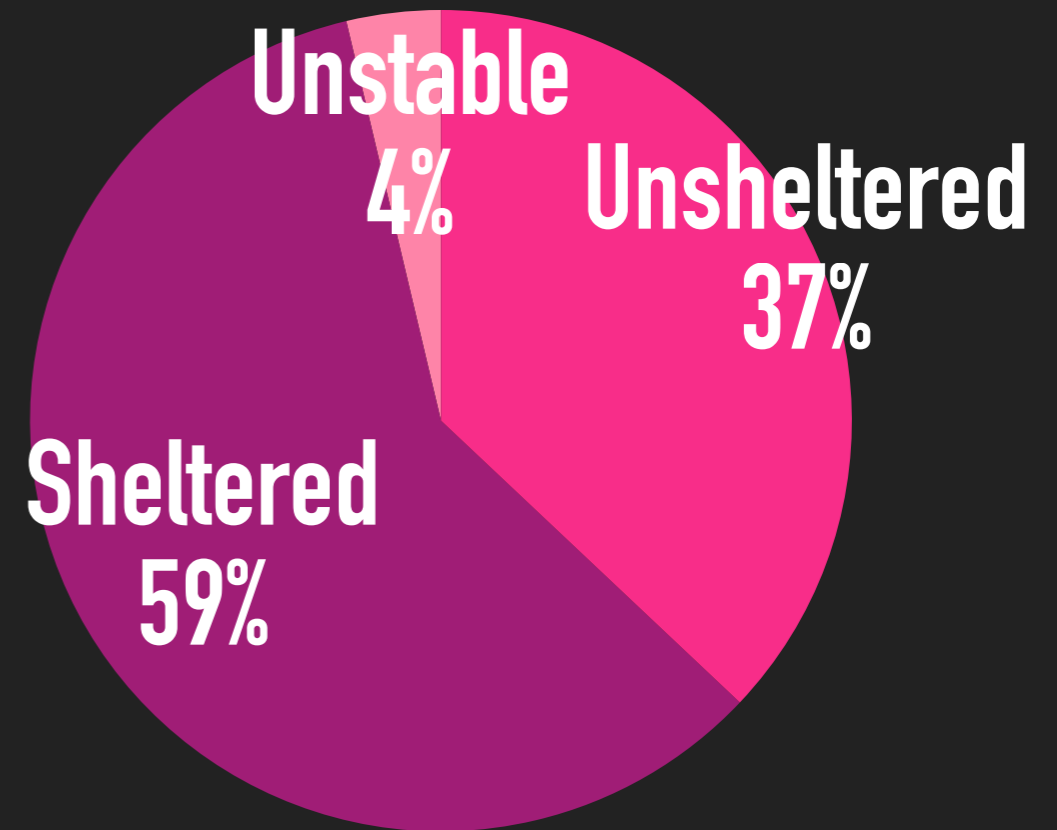


EDUCATION

COMPLETED SOME HS
& NOT CURRENTLY
ENROLLED

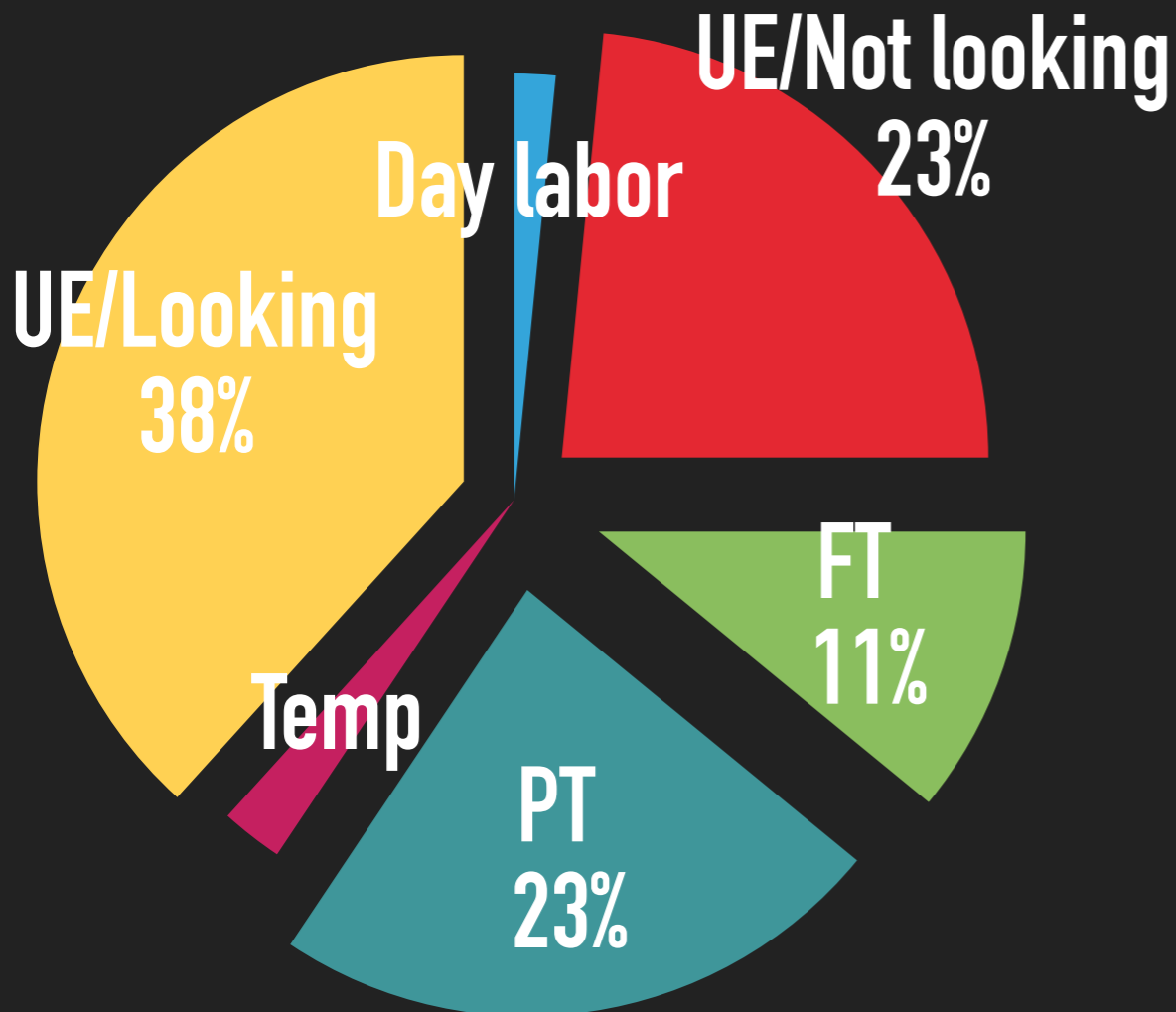


IF NOT ENROLLED



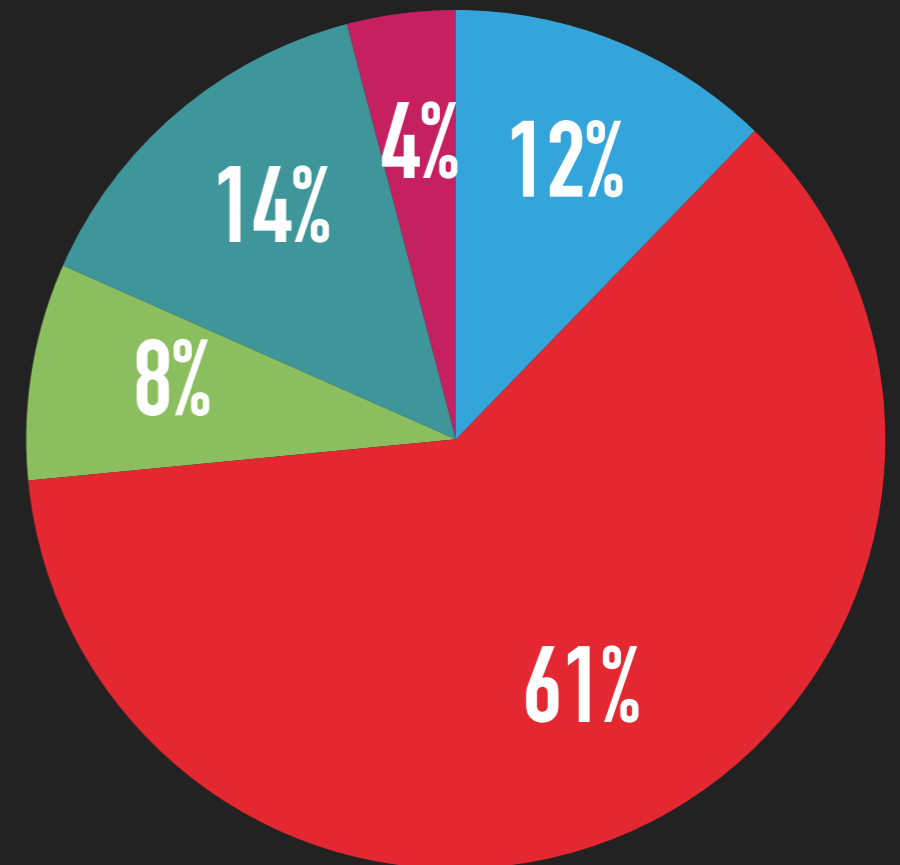
VOCATION

JOB STATUS



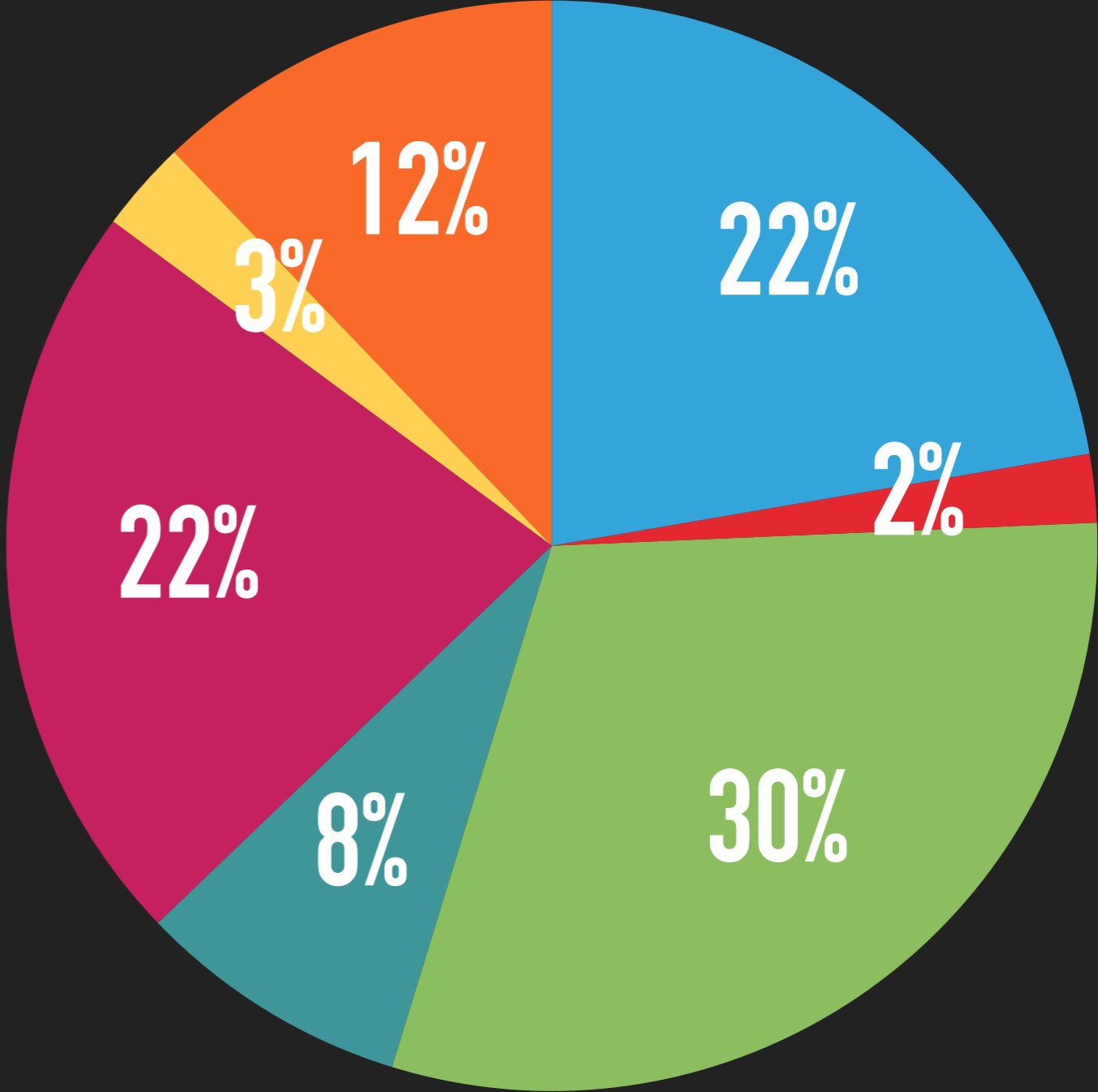
UNEMPLOYMENT LENGTH

- > 1mo.
- 1-6mo.
- 7-11mo.
- 1yr
- 2+yrs



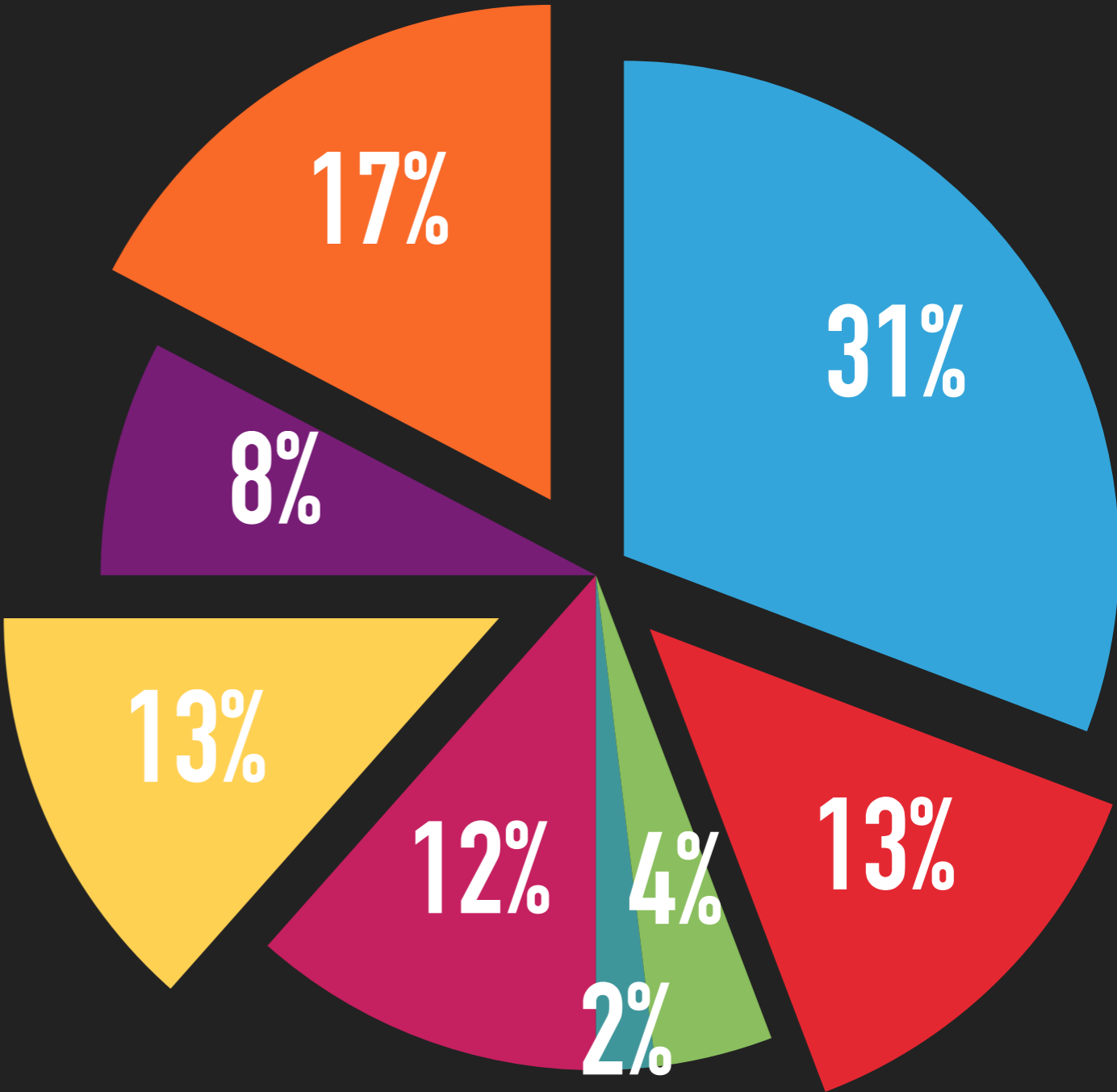
FAMILY TYPE

- Minor w/ parent/guardian
- Couple w/ children
- Single adult
- Single parent
- Unacc. minor
- Couple-NC
- Other

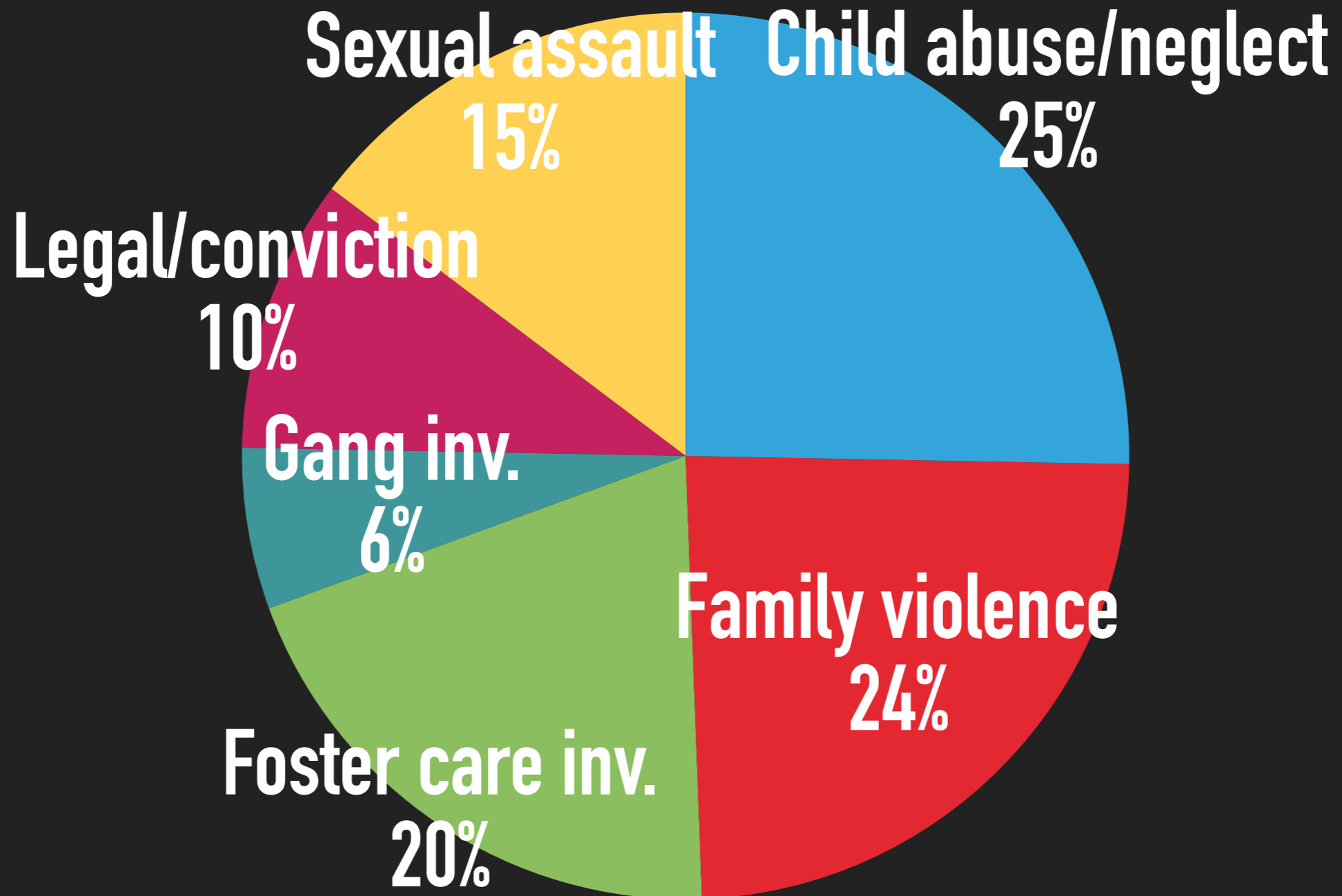


HEALTH CONDITIONS

- Mental health
- Alcohol abuse
- IDD
- HIV/Aids
- Other chronic phys ill
- Substance abuse
- Phys disability
- PTSD



EXPERIENCES



SOURCES OF INCOME

- ▶ 1) Medicaid - 28%
- ▶ 2) None - 25%
- ▶ 3) SNAP - 22%
- ▶ Other reasons include: Earned Income Tax Credit (EITC); Women, Infants and Children (WIC); Foster care benefits; etc.

TOP NEEDS

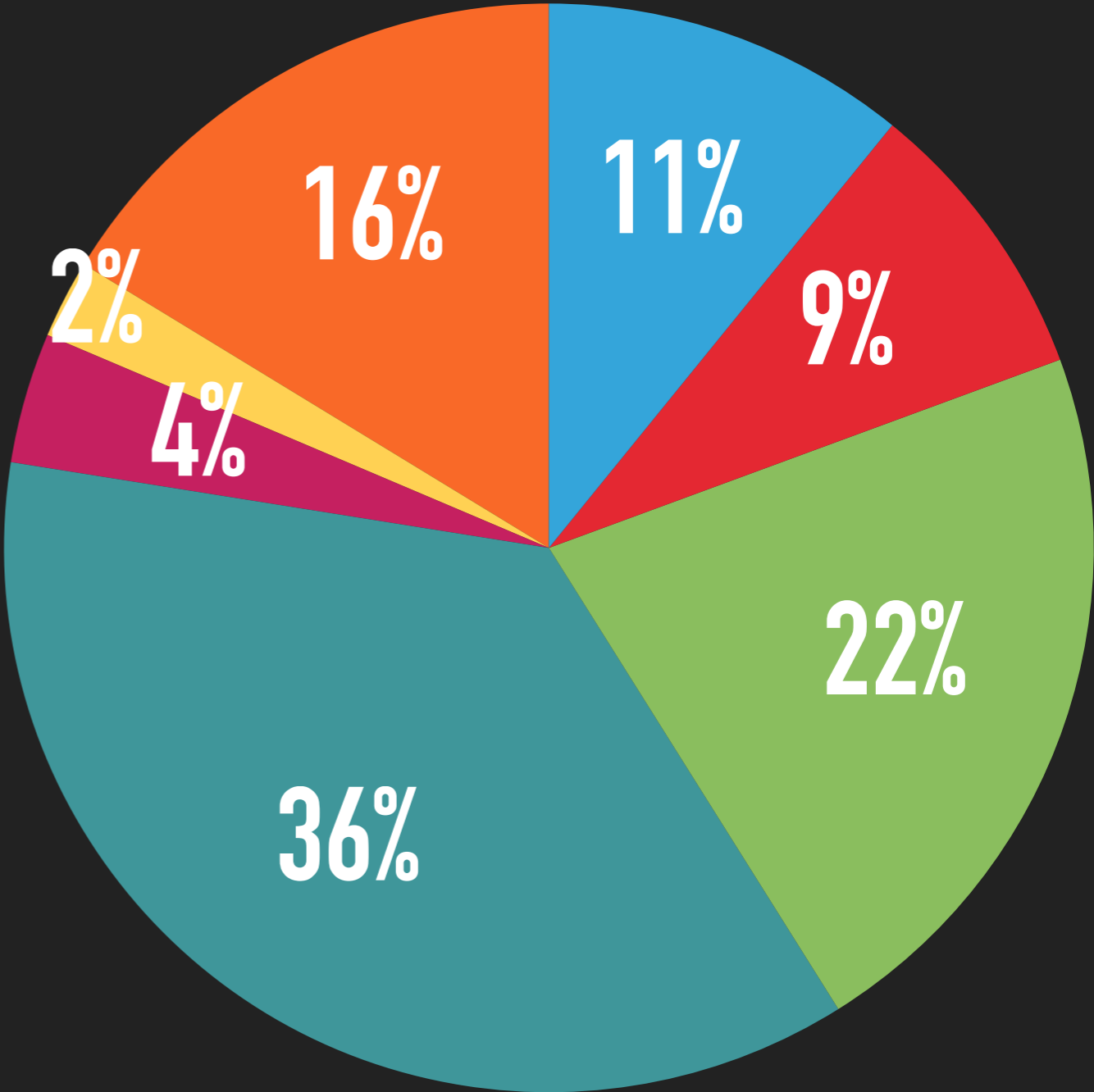
- ▶ 1-t) State ID
- ▶ 1-t) Clothing
- ▶ 2) Bus pass
- ▶ 3) Hygiene supplies
- ▶ Other needs include: phone #; birth certificate; emergency food; social security card; etc.

SERVICES NEEDED

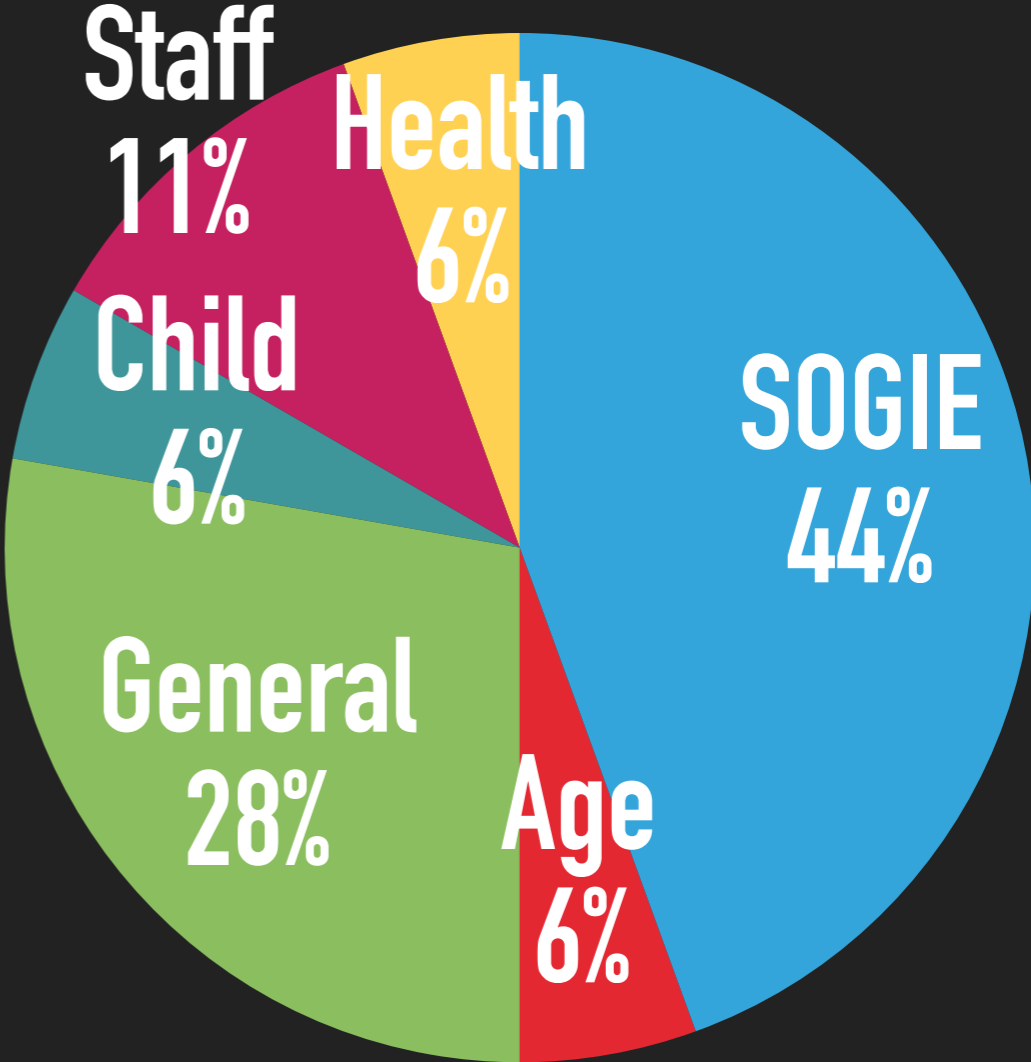
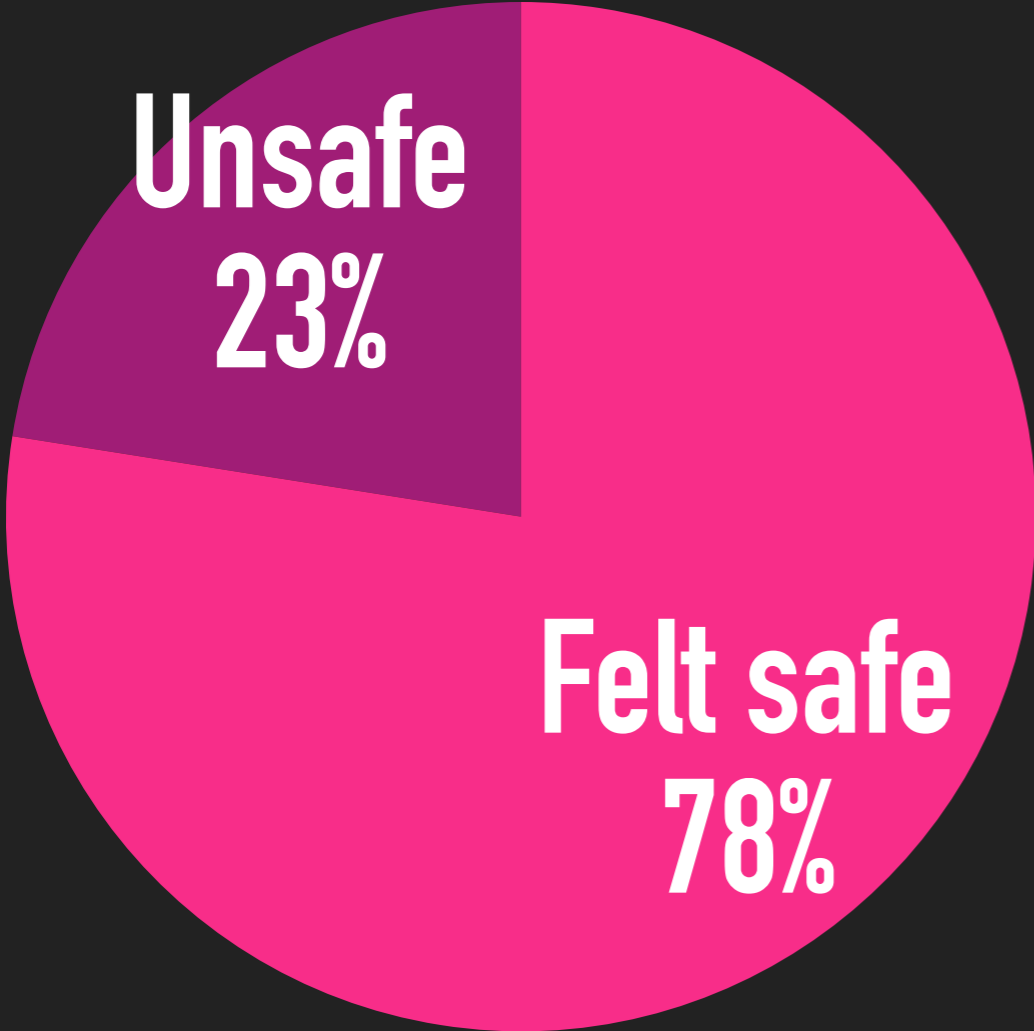
- ▶ 1) Dental care
- ▶ 2) Mental health care
- ▶ 3-t) Case management
- ▶ 3-t) Child care
- ▶ Other needs include: child support; emergency shelter; employment services; etc.

SERVICES ACCESSED

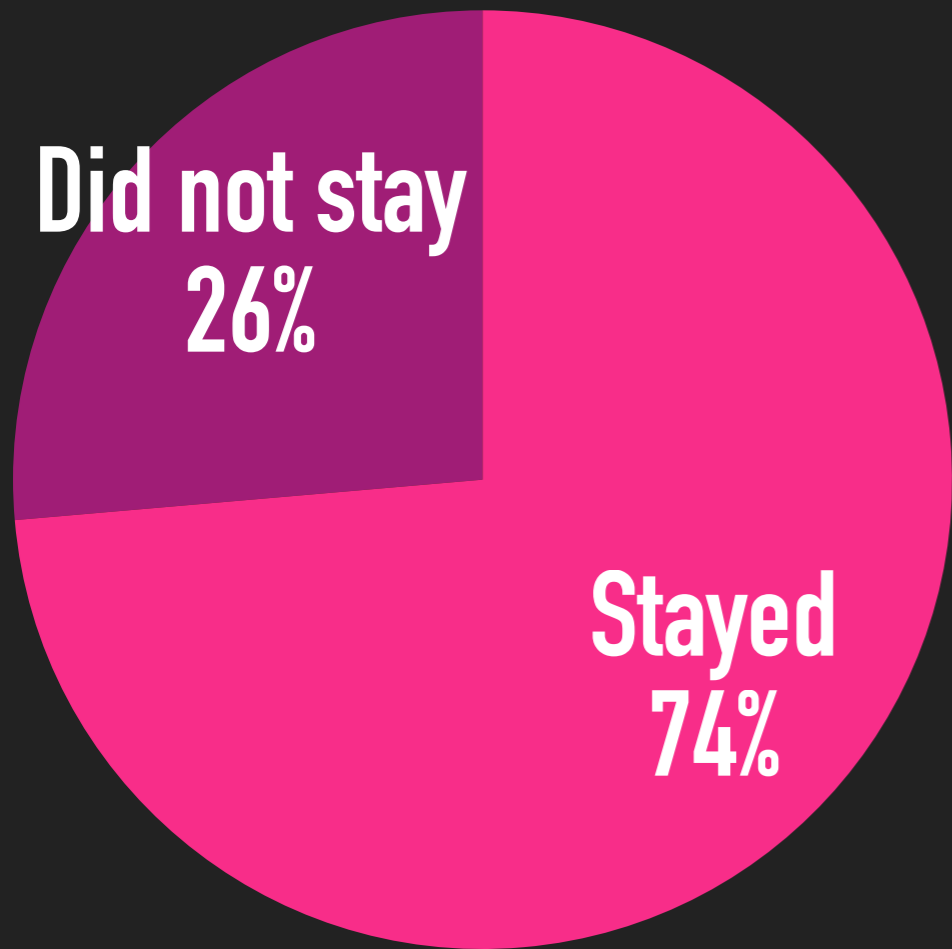
- Drop-in center
- Emerg. health care
- Emerg. shelter
- None
- Perm. Supp. House
- Transition center
- TLP



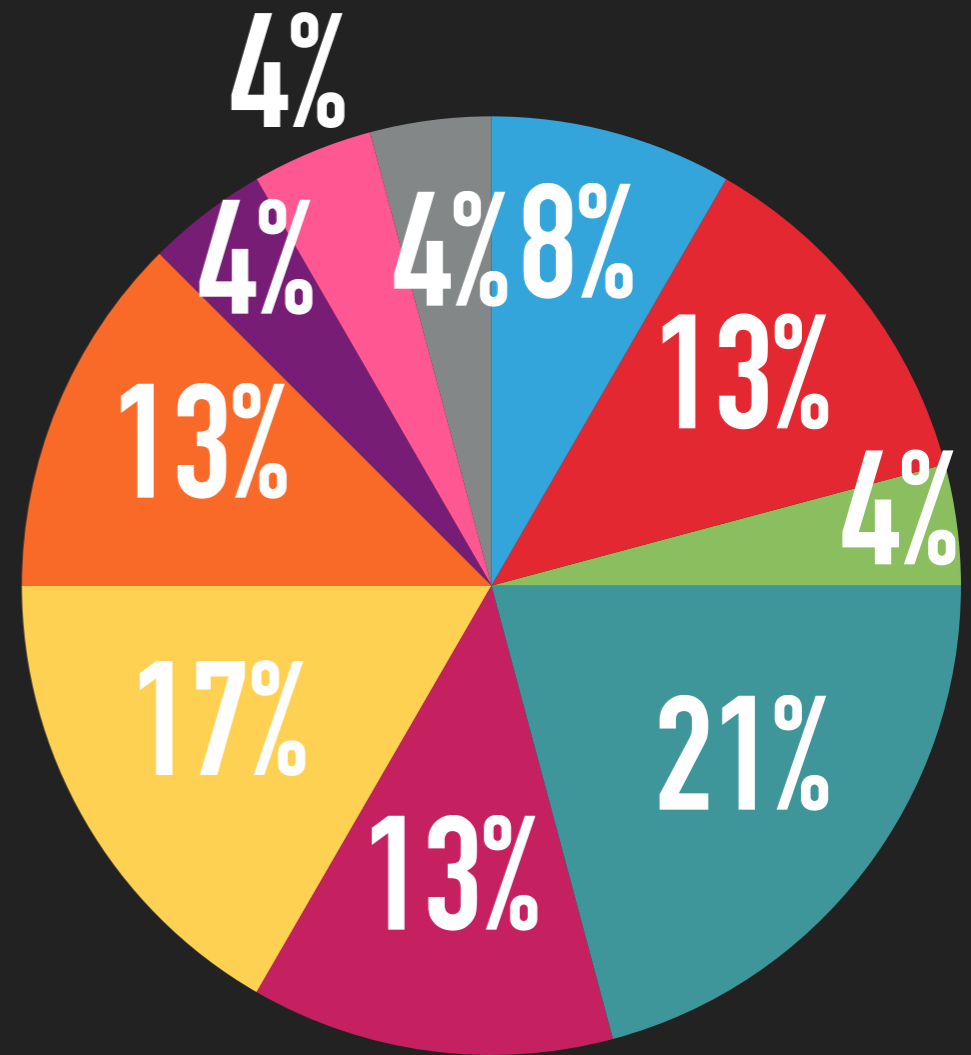
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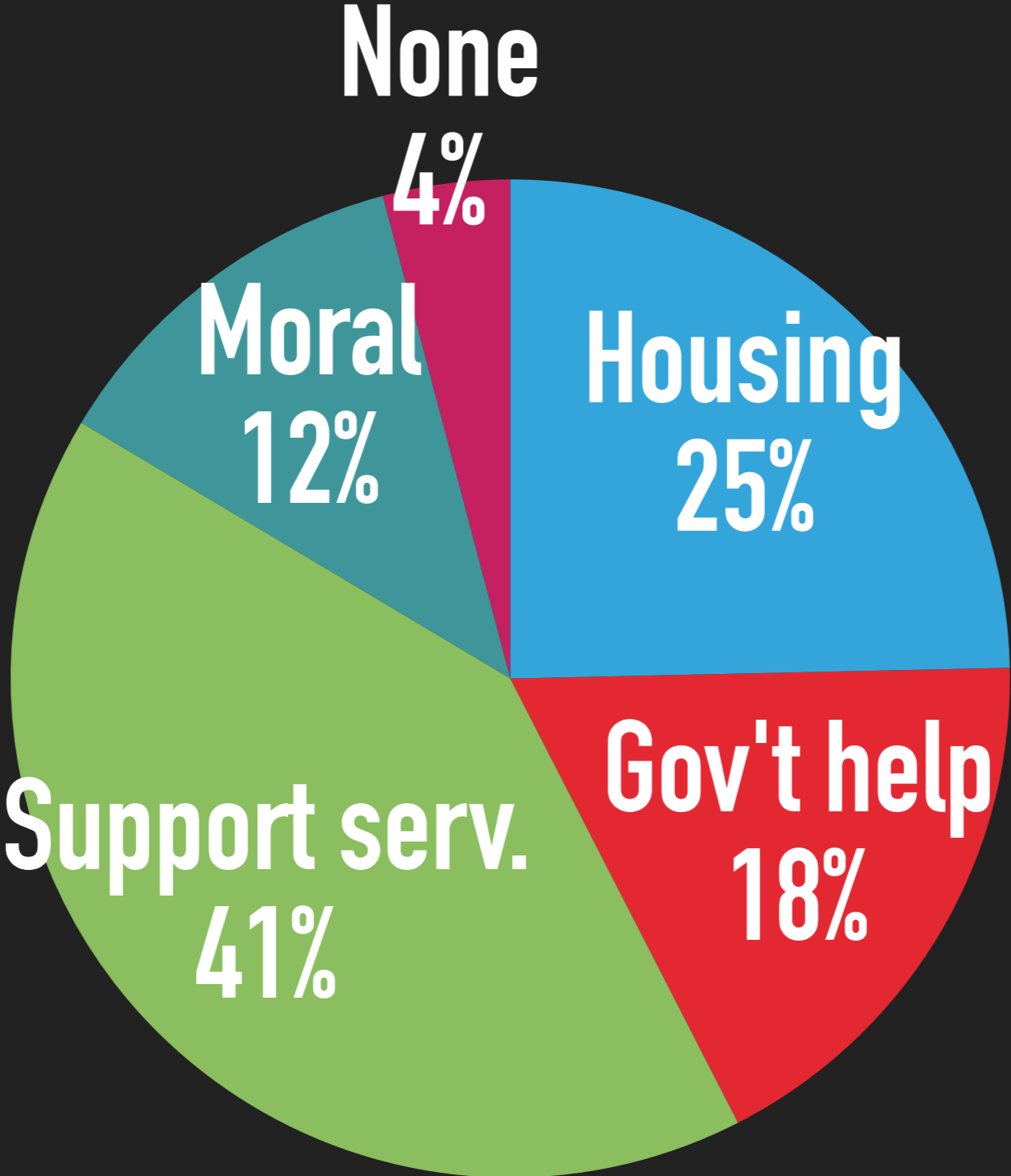
WENT AND DID NOT STAY



- Too old
- Too young
- Bedbugs
- Unsafe
- Partner
- Rules
- Full
- ID
- Children
- Pay to stay



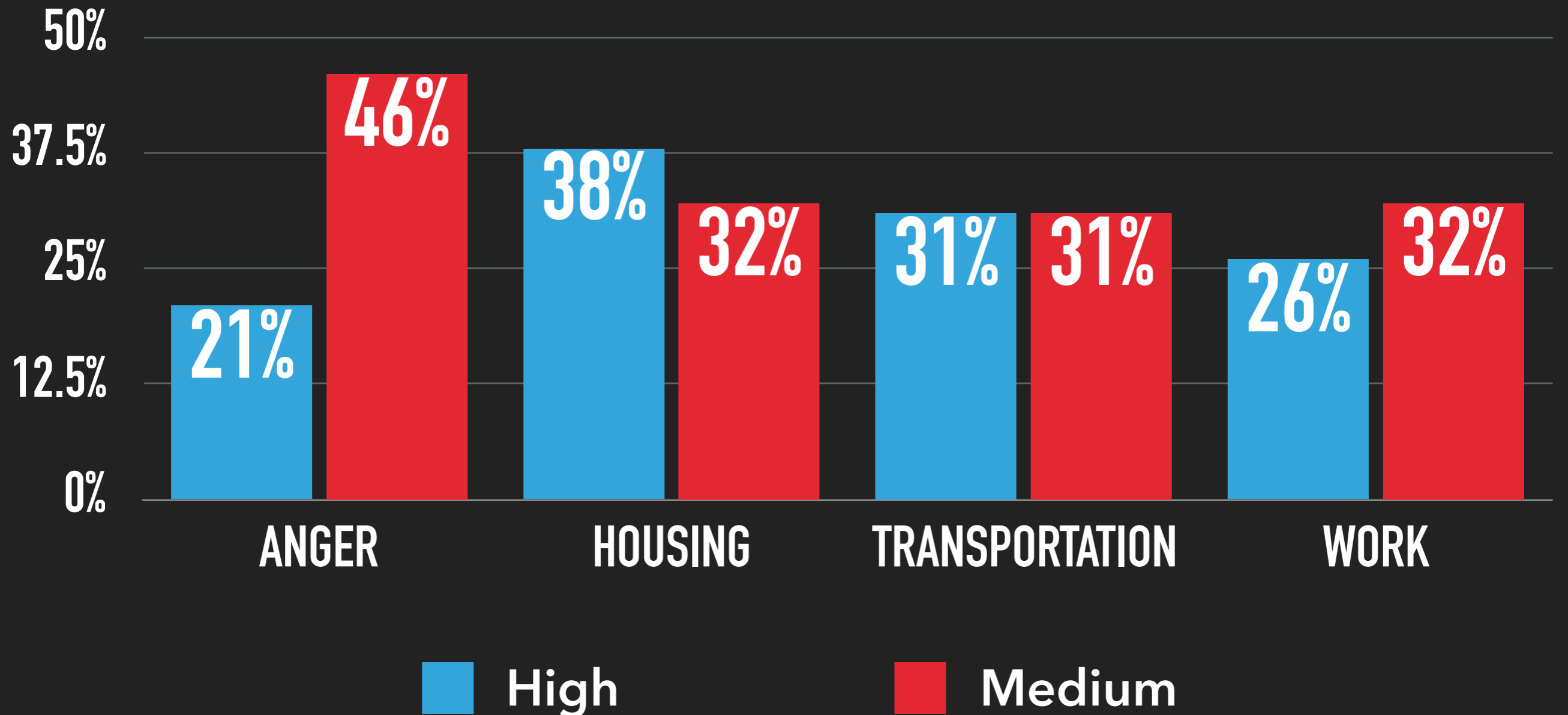
MOST HELPFUL RESOURCE RECEIVED IN LAST YEAR



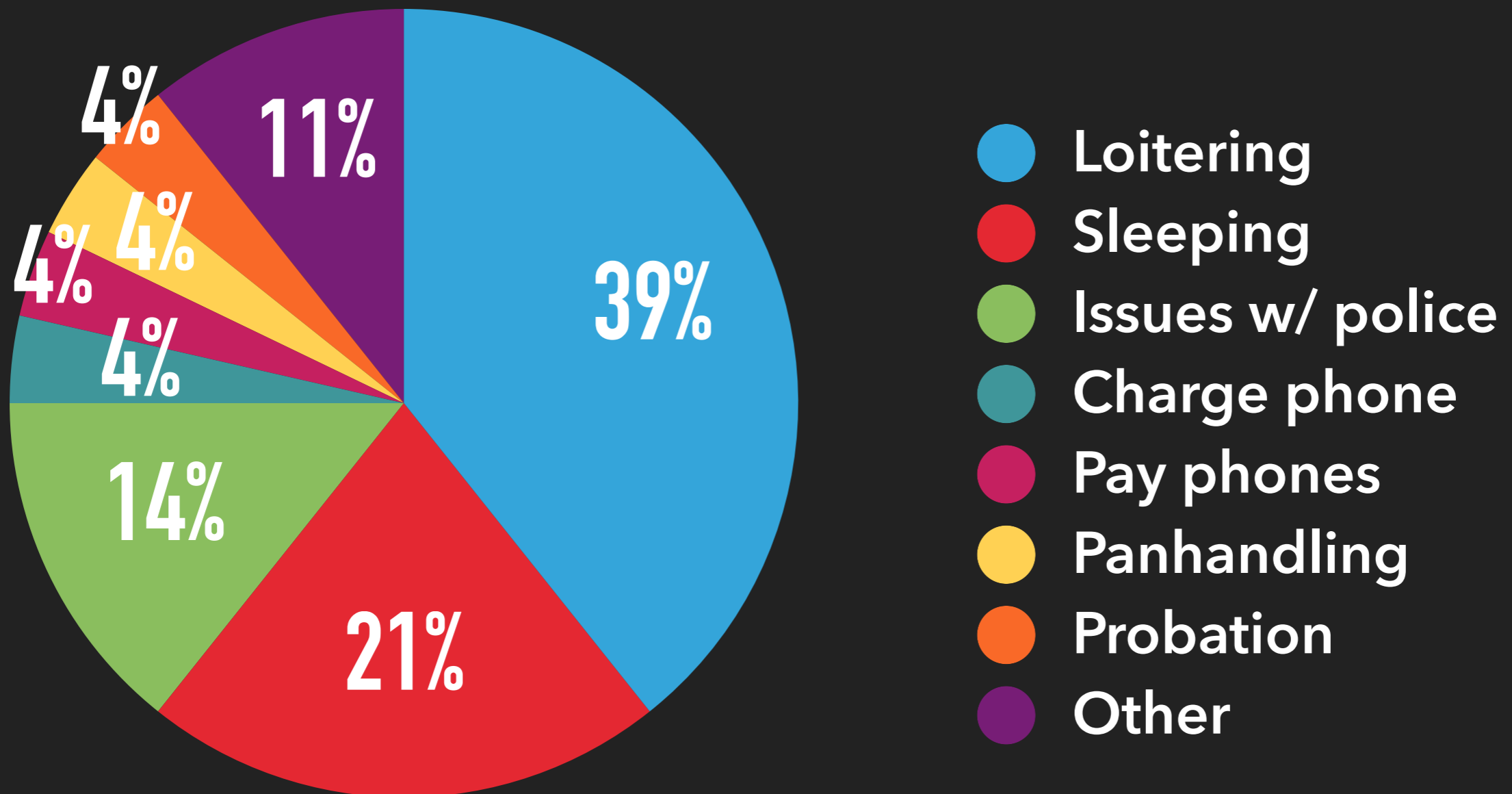
METHODS TO GET ITEMS NEEDED

- ▶ 1) Work - 38%
- ▶ 2) Financial support from family/friends/etc. - 19%
- ▶ 3) Borrow from others - 12%
- ▶ Other methods include: panhandling; food pantry; trade services/clothes/food; etc.

TOP ISSUES OUR YOUTH ARE FACING



RULES / PRACTICES THAT MAKE LIFE HARDER (DALLAS COUNTY)

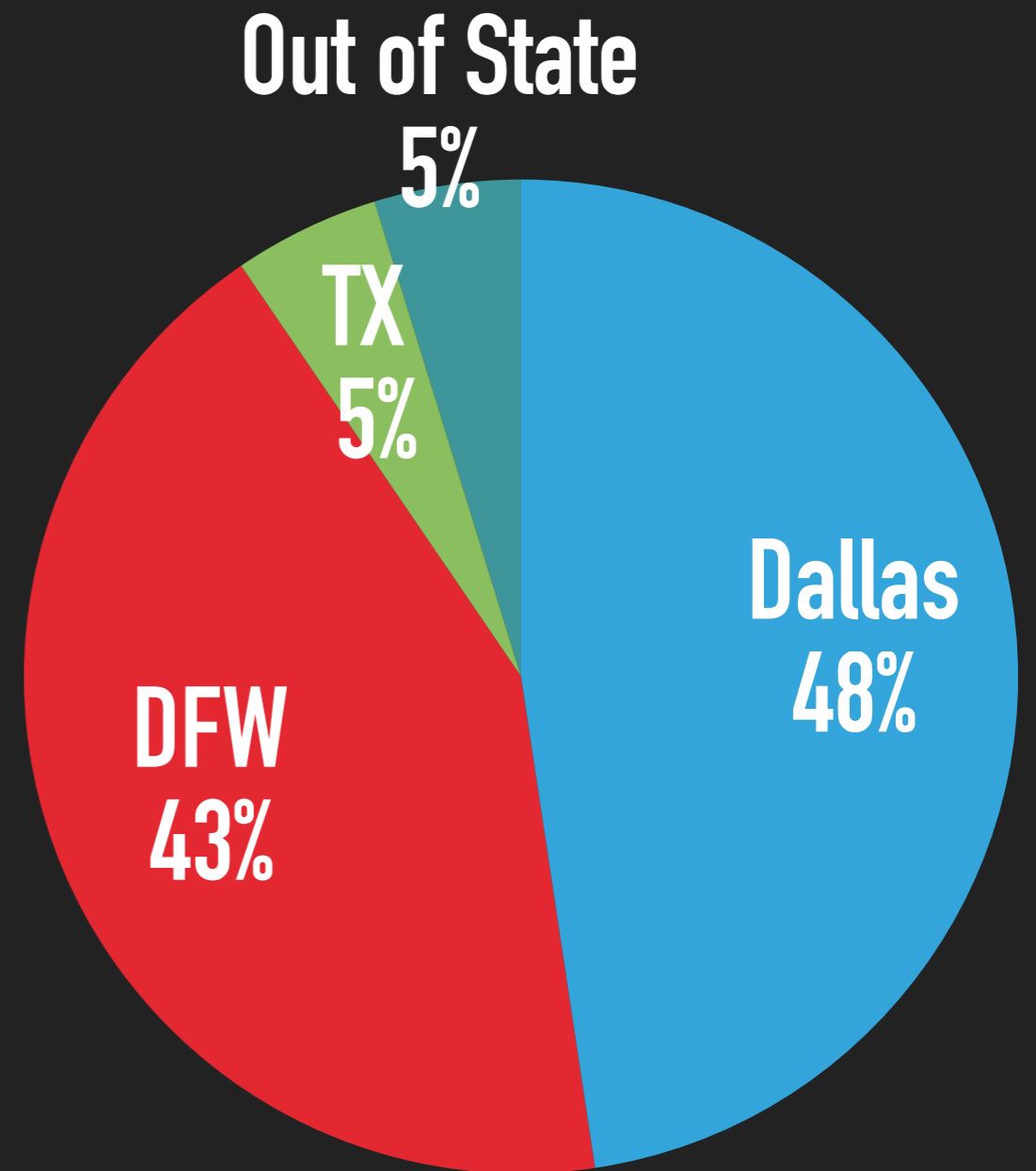
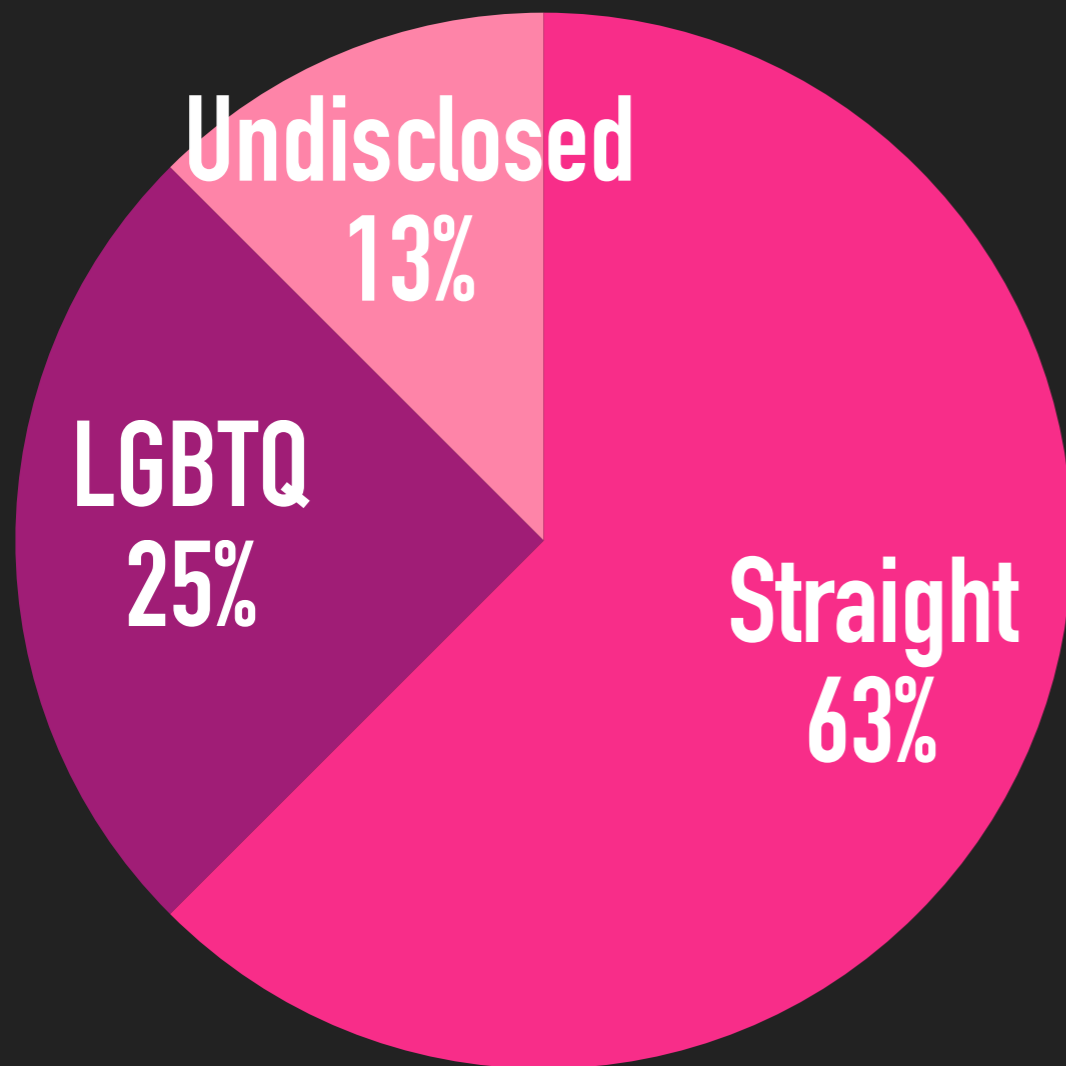


STRENGTHS / TALENTS / SKILLS TO HELP YOUTH MOVE FORWARD

- ▶ 1) Arts (Drama, Music, Dance, Visual, etc.)
- ▶ 2) Determination
- ▶ 3) Resilience
- ▶ Others include: Ambition; Athletics; Kindness; Belief in self; Persistence; etc.

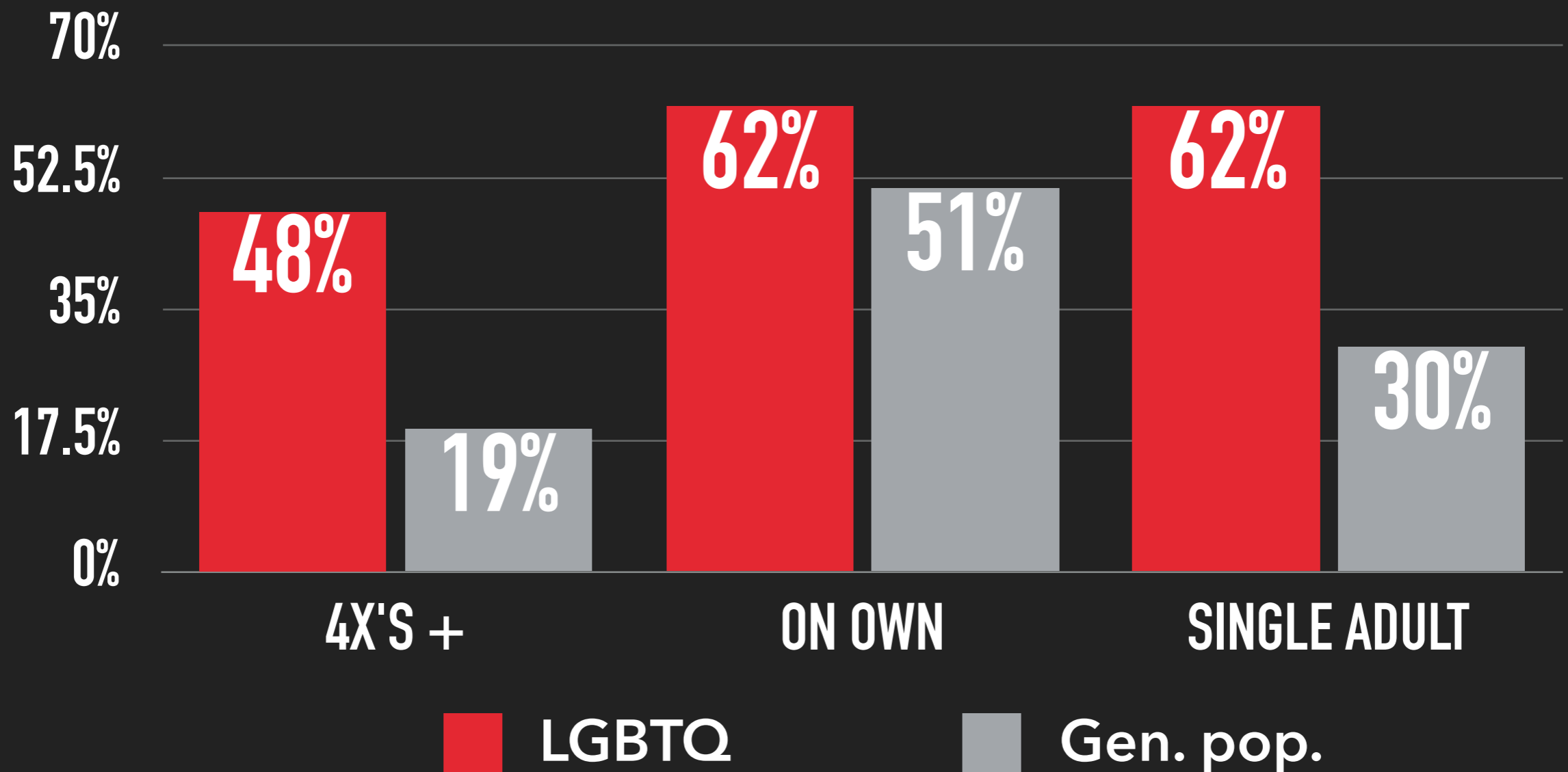
LGBTQ YOUTH

UNSHELTERED YOUTH



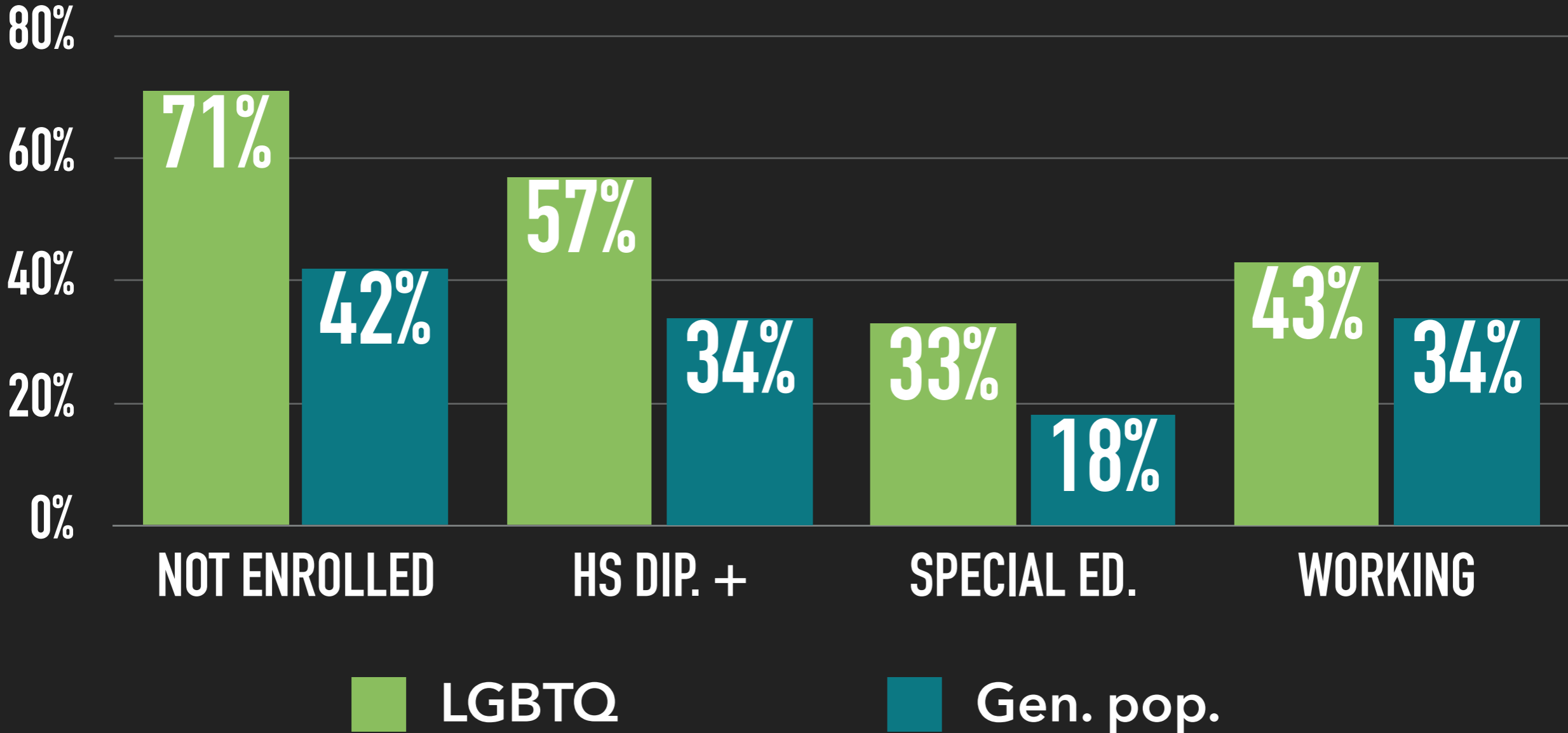
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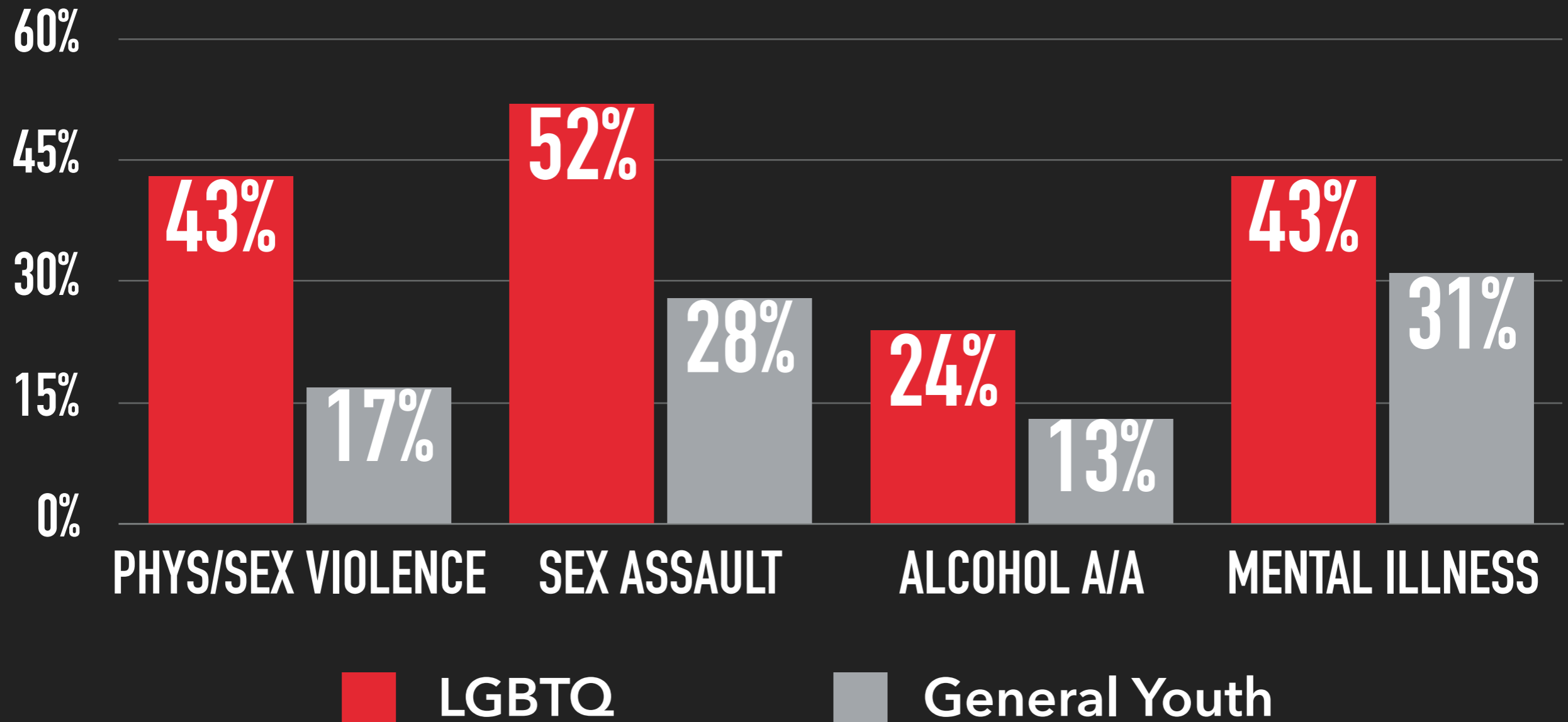
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EDUCATION / VOCATION



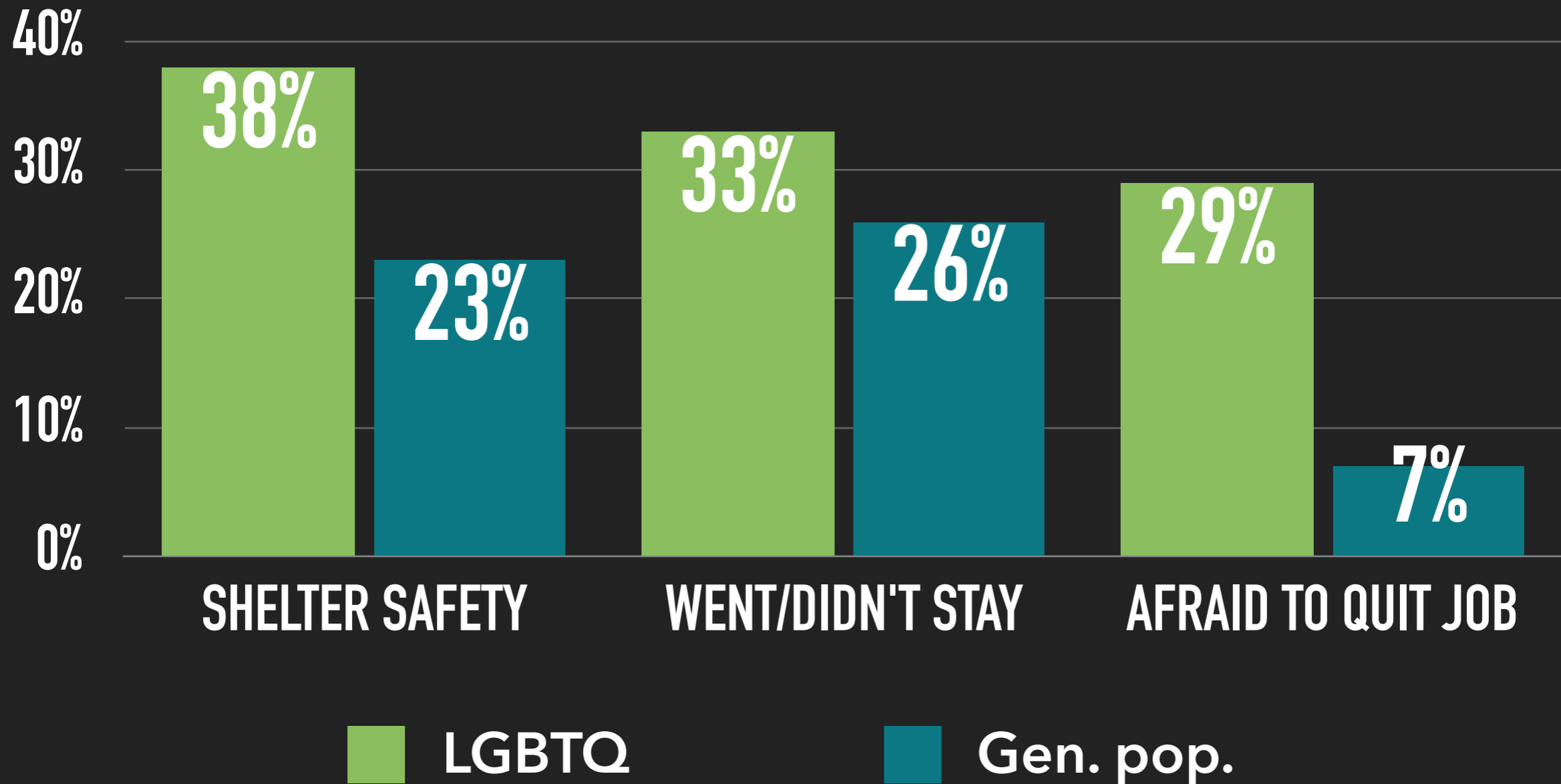
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EXPERIENCES

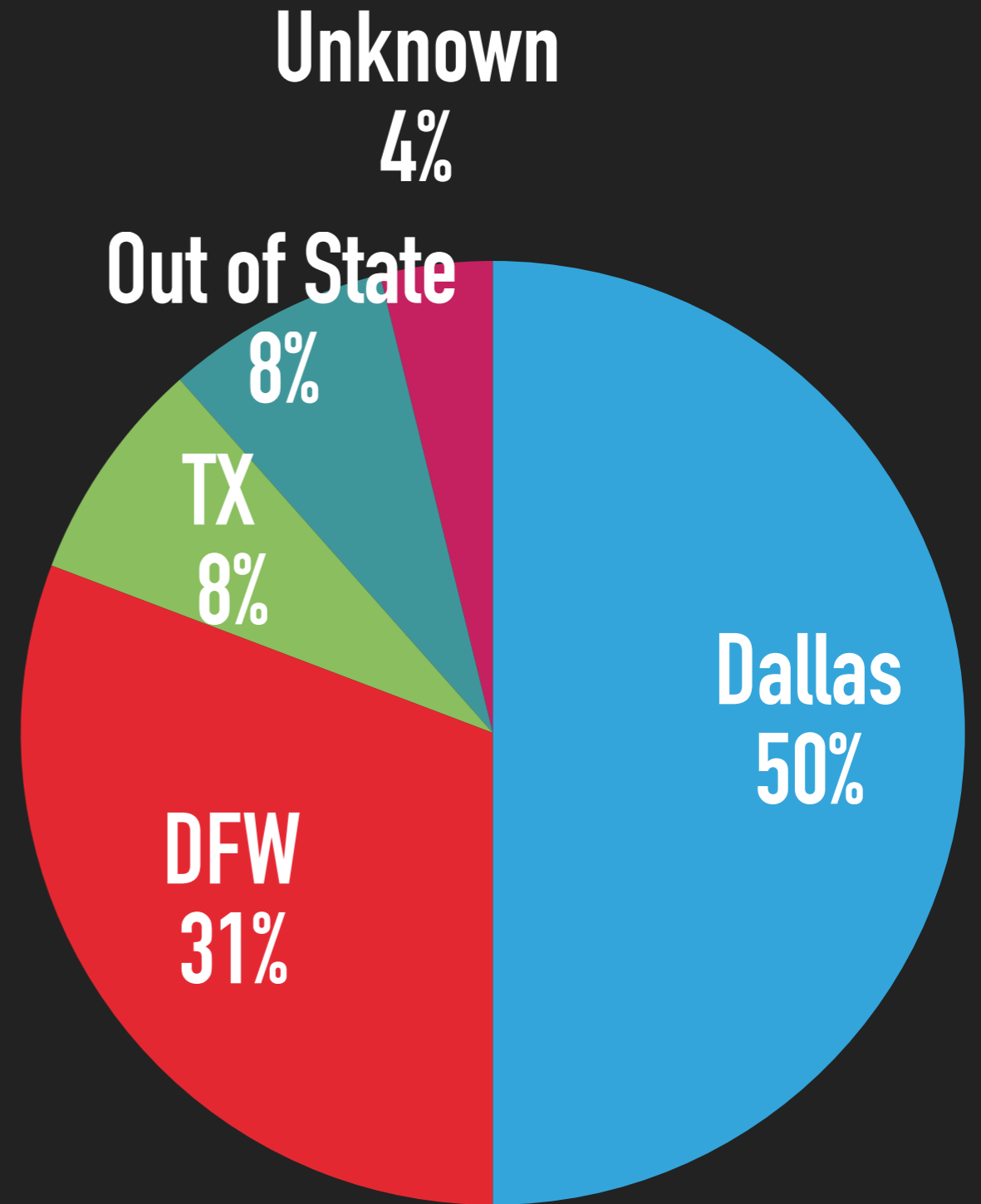
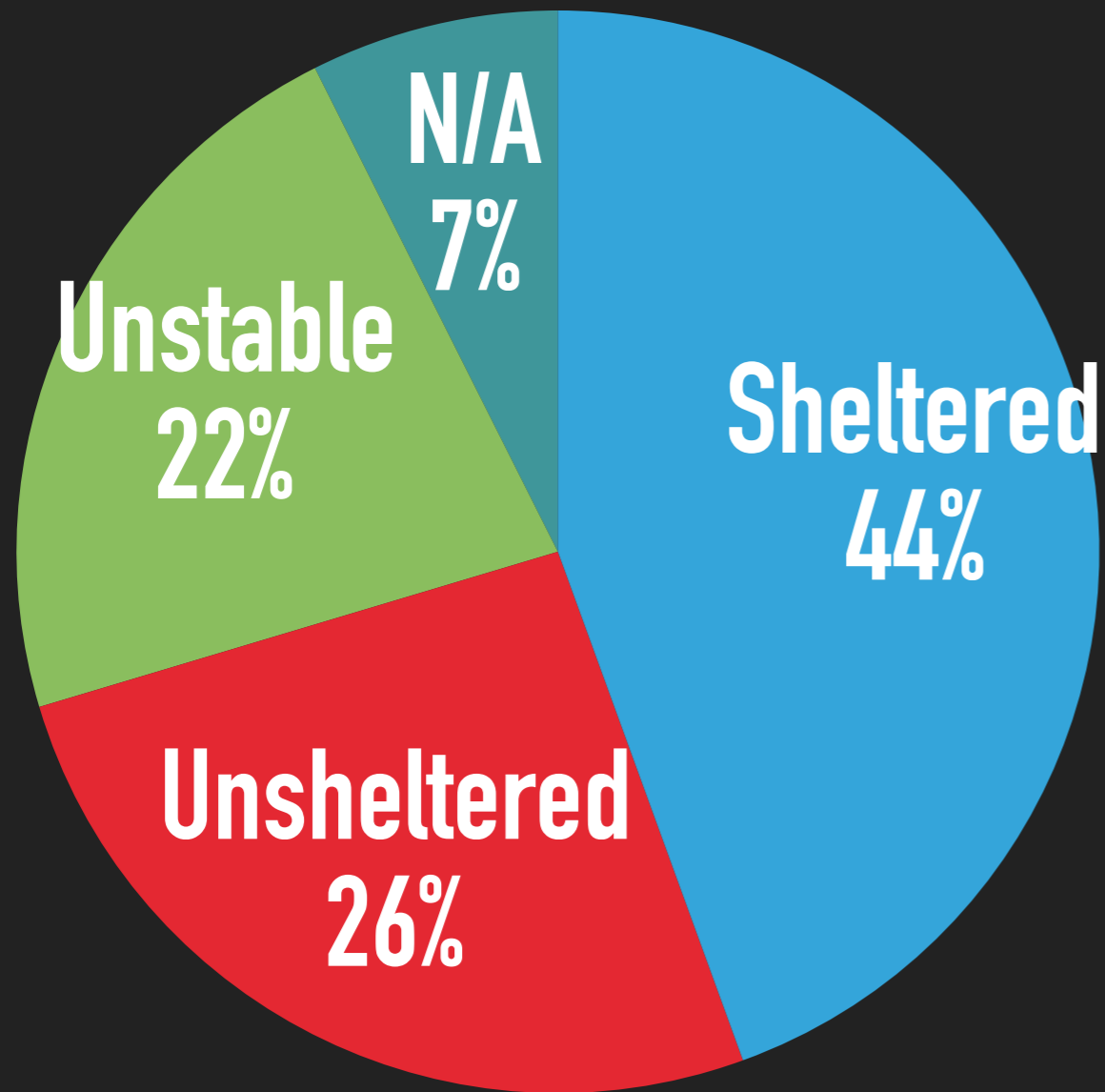


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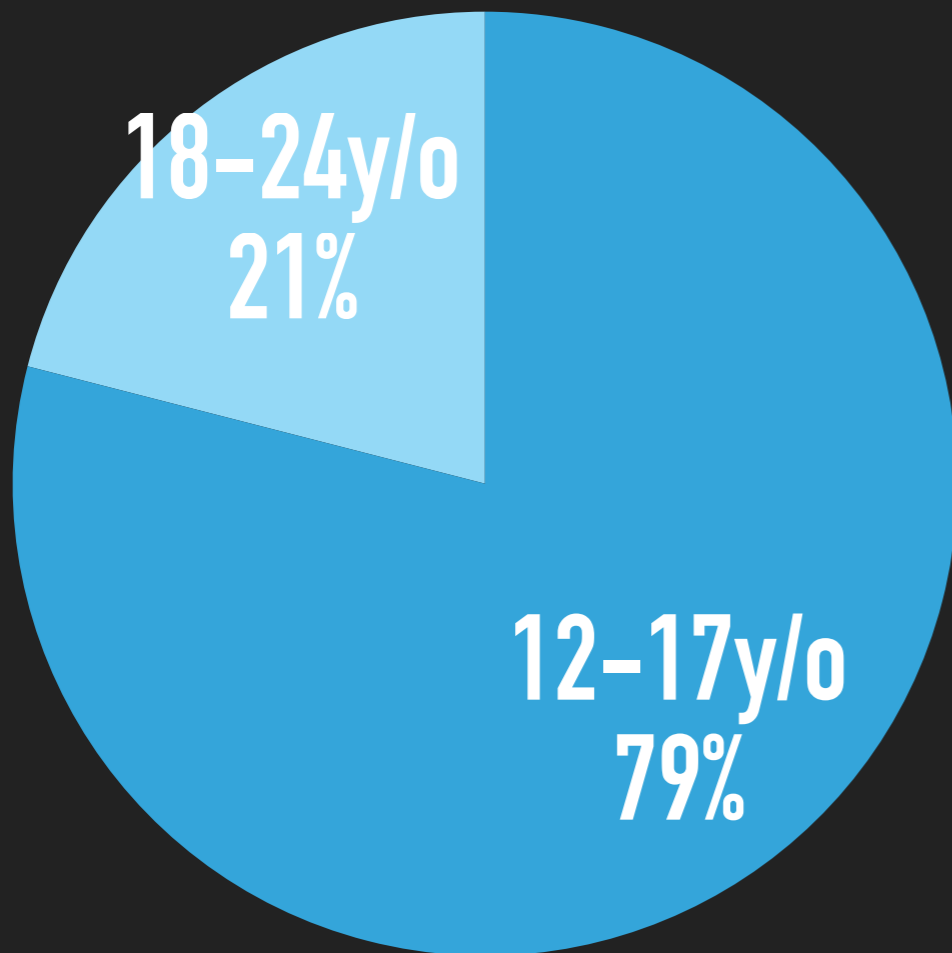


JUVENILE JUSTICE YOUTH (JJD)

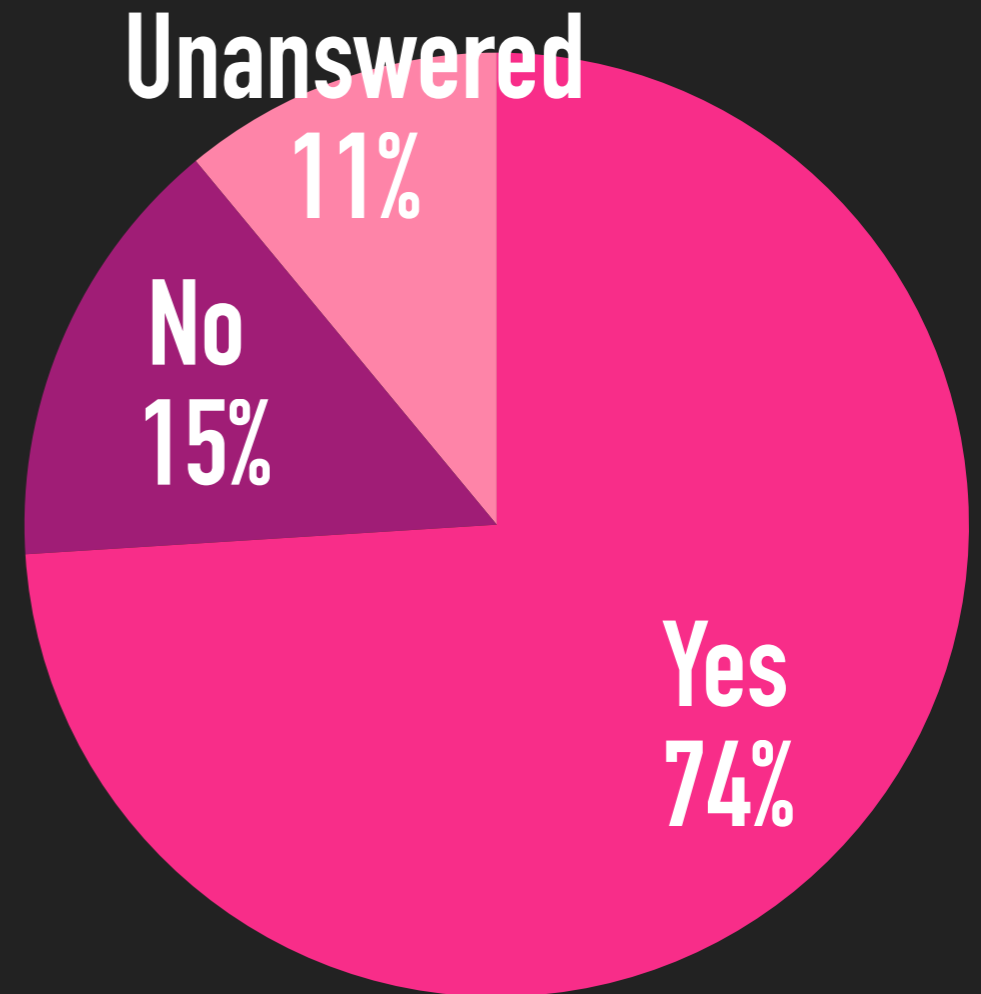


JJD YOUTH (CONT.)

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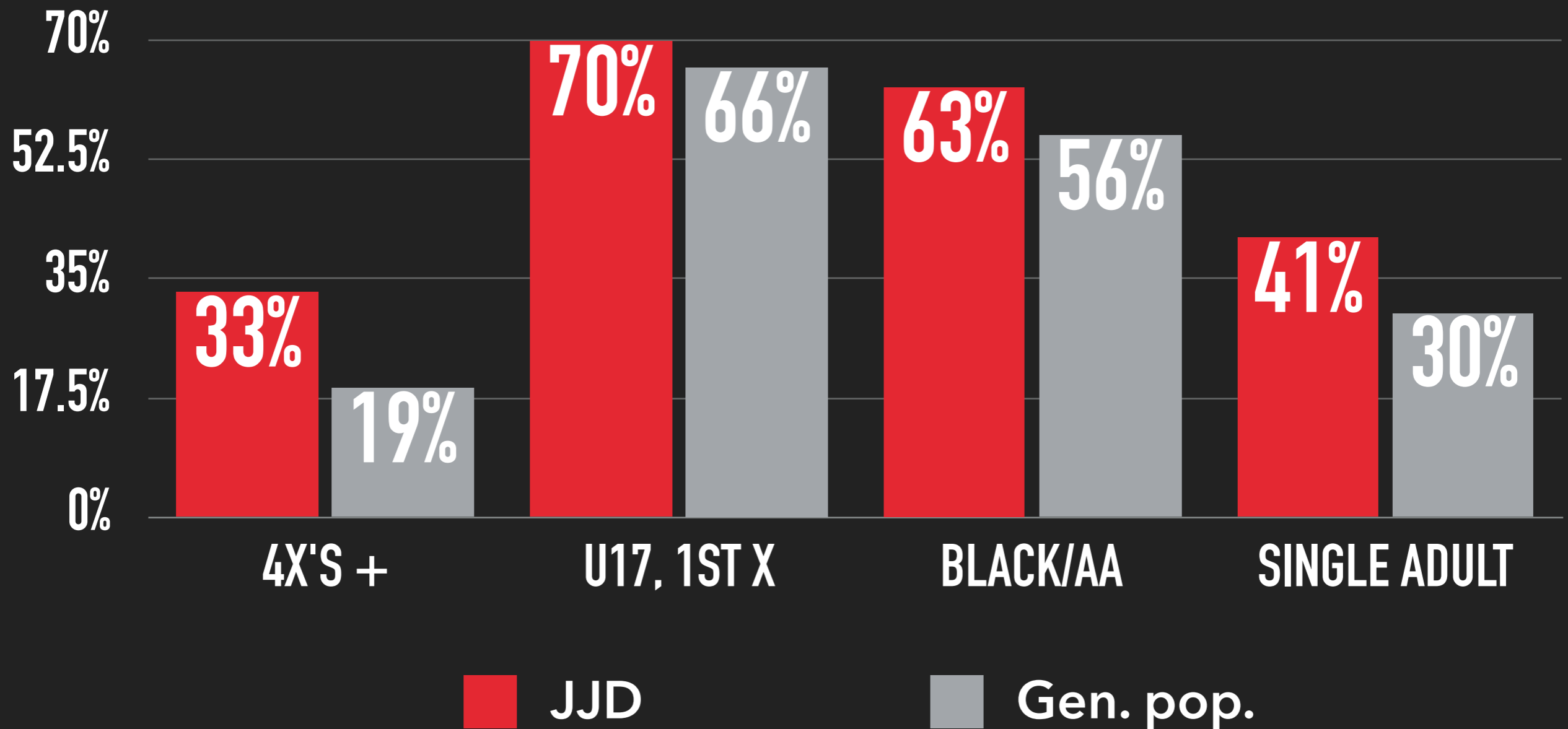


JJD INVOLVED IN TX



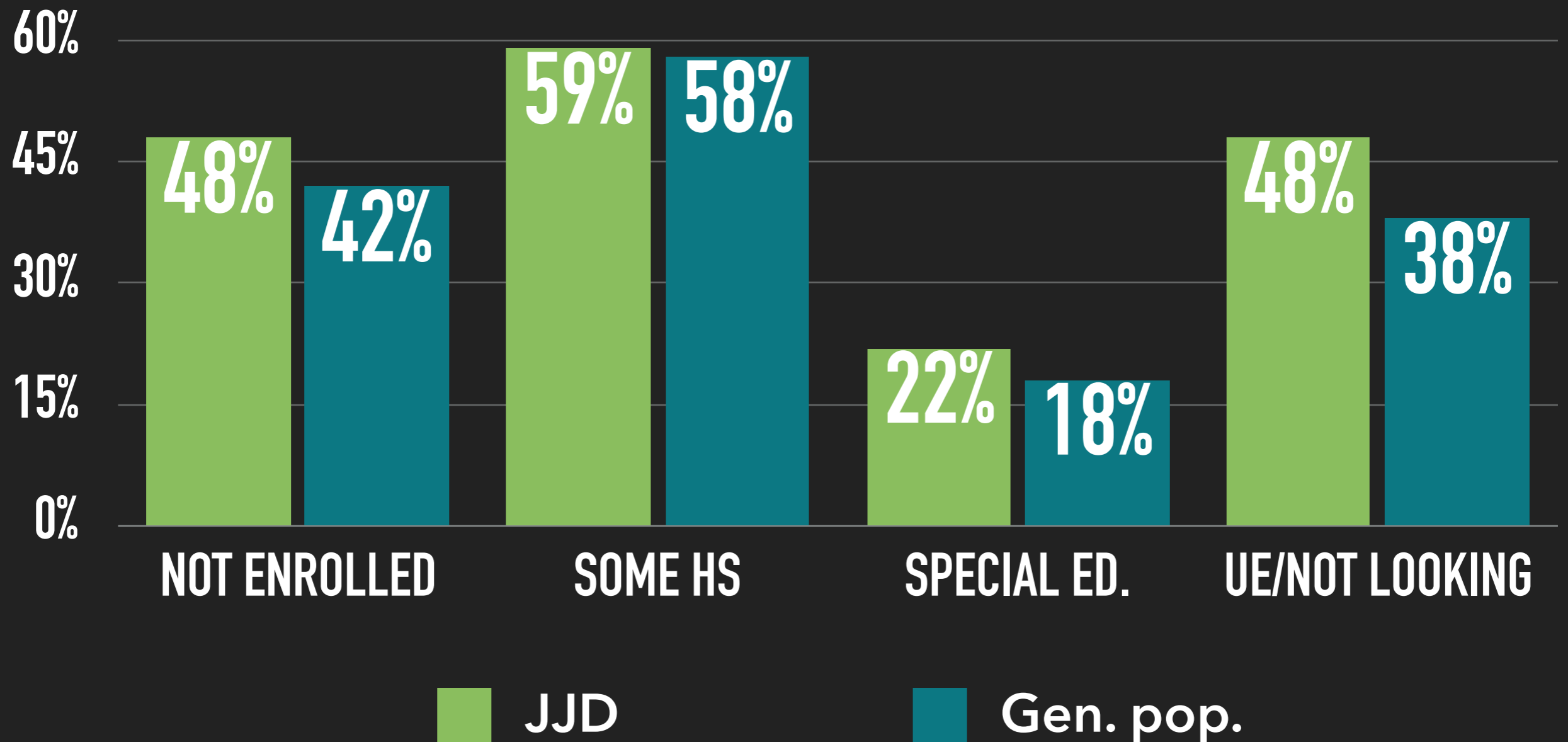
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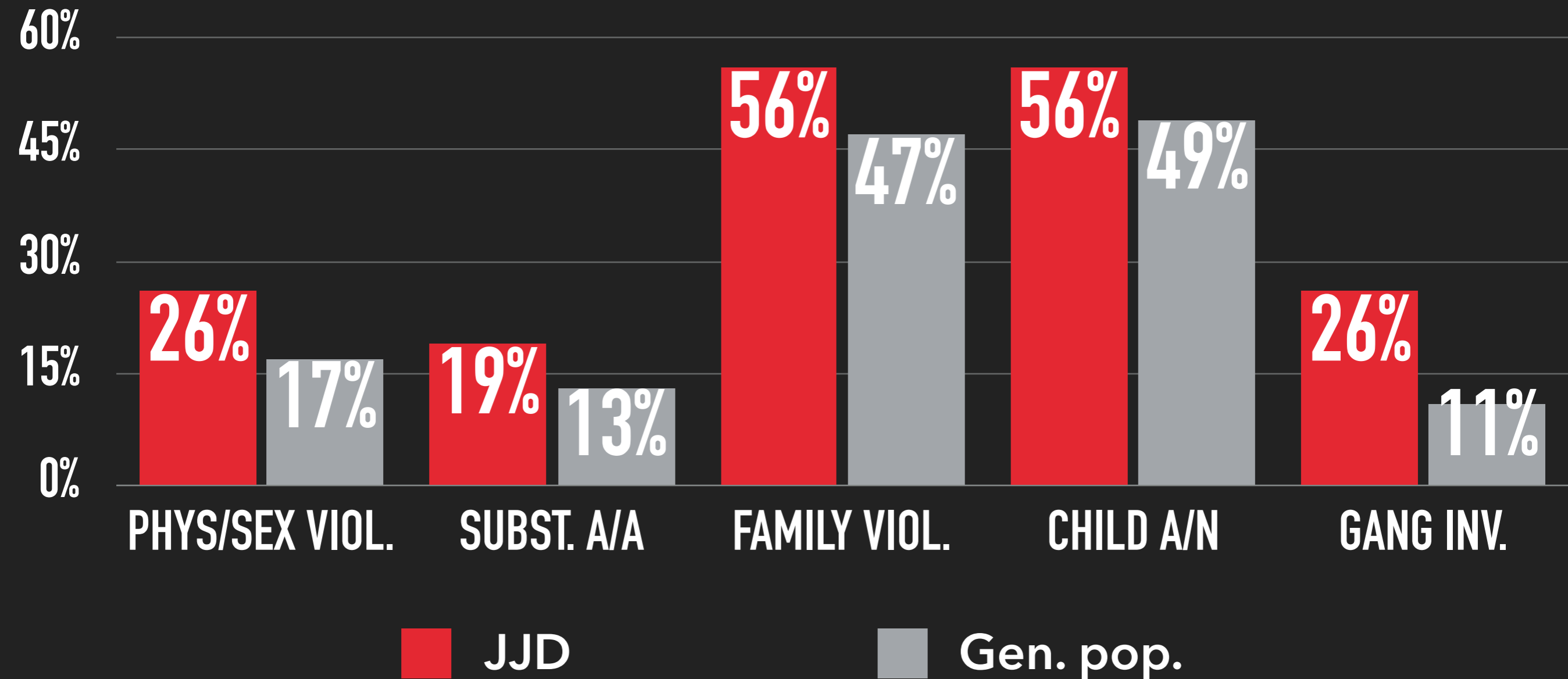
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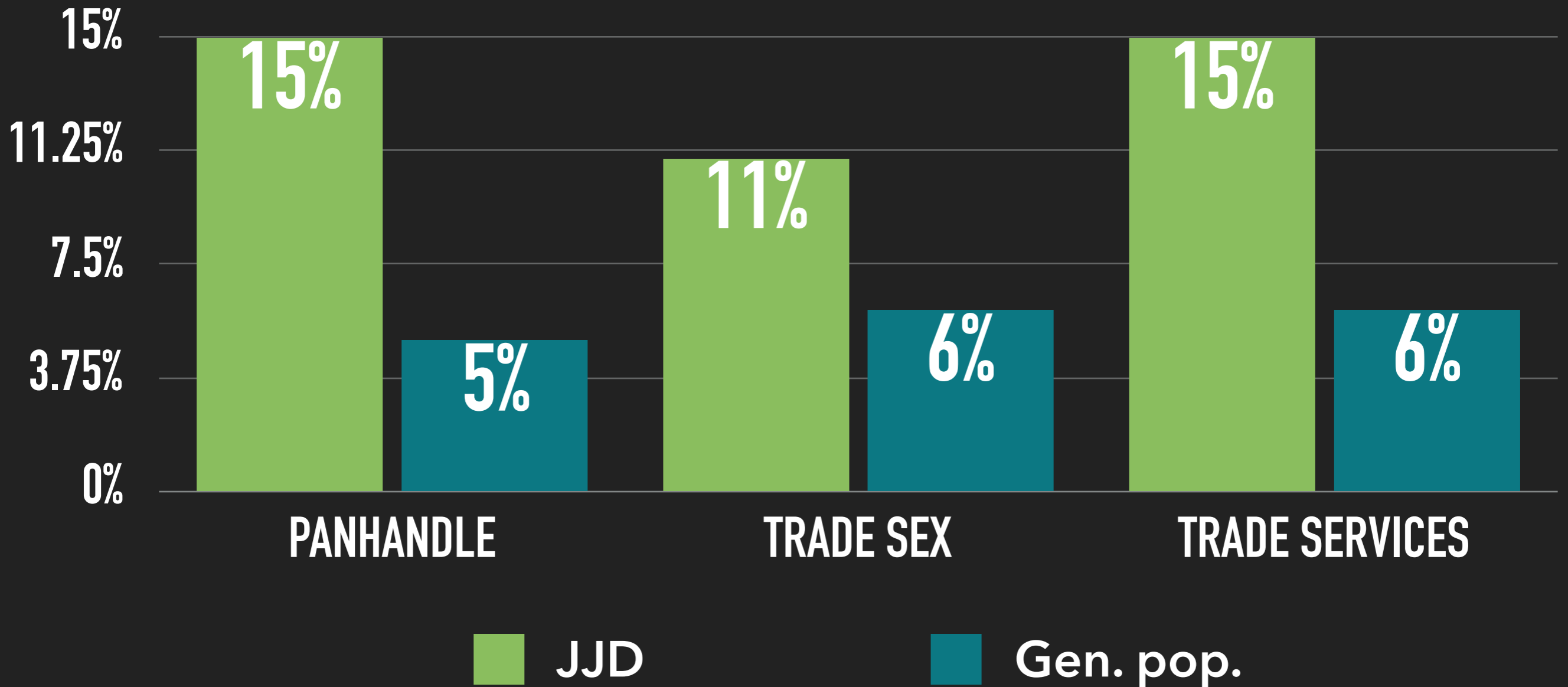
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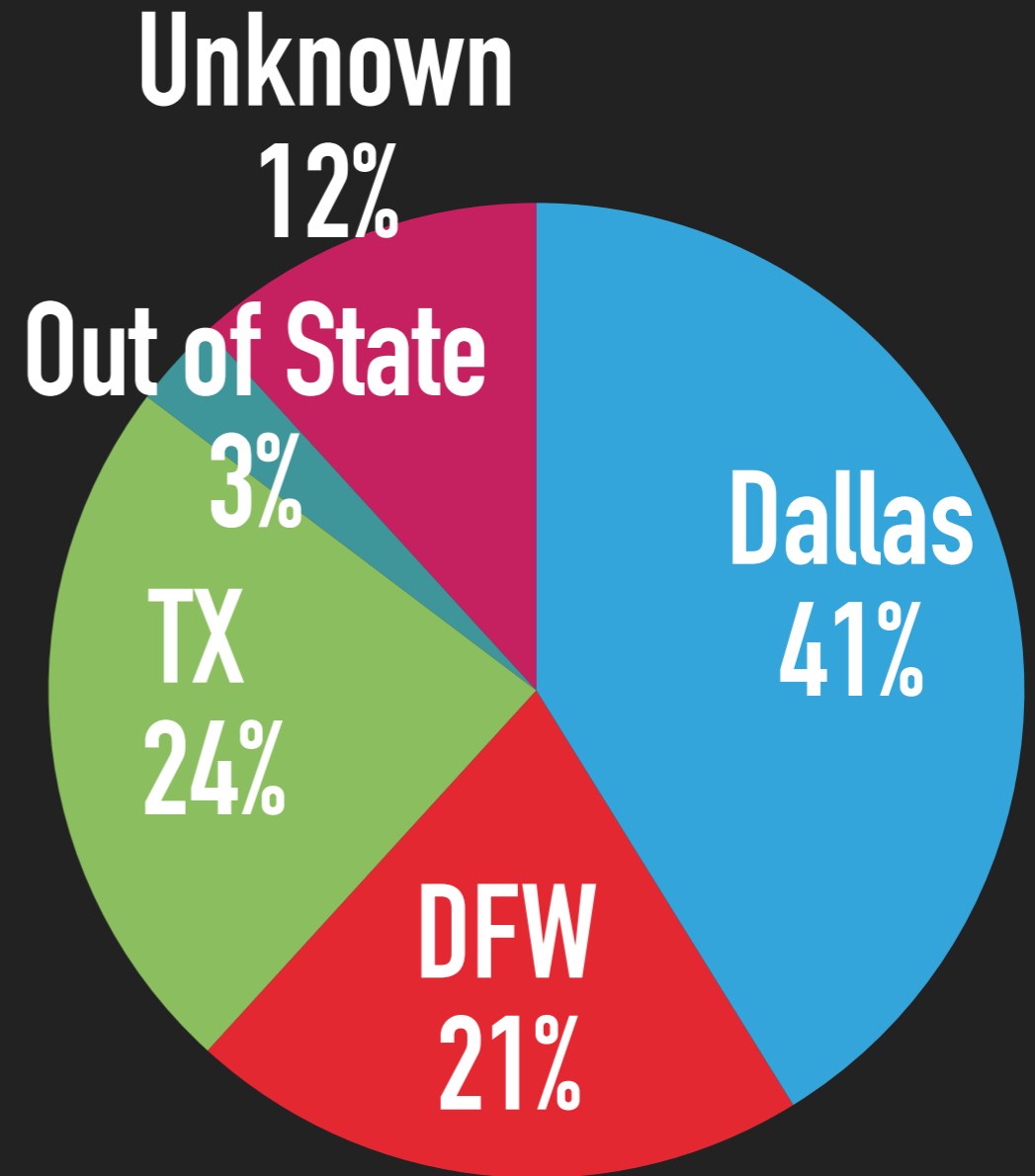
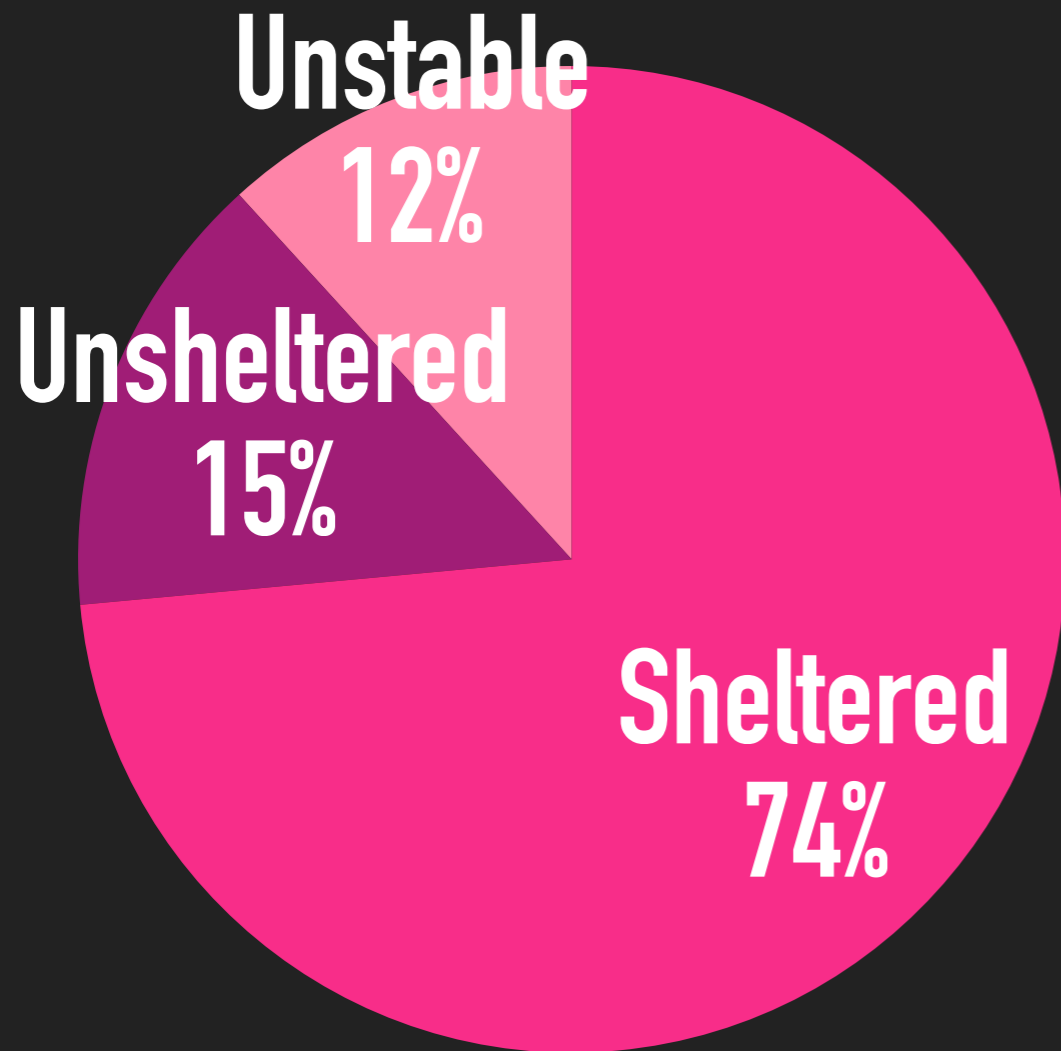


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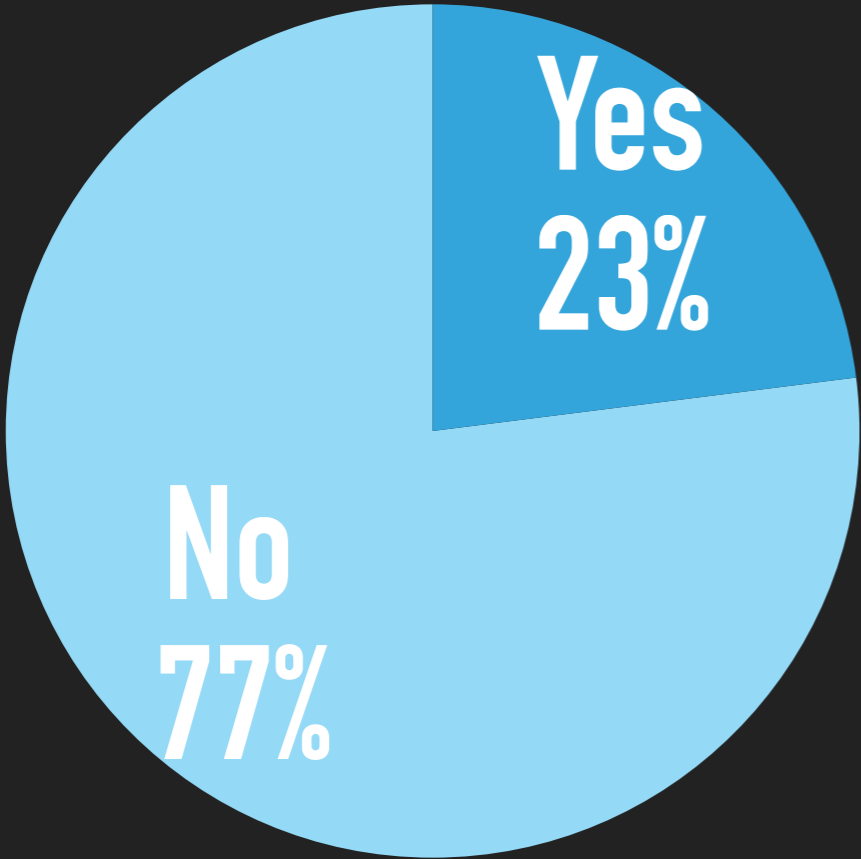


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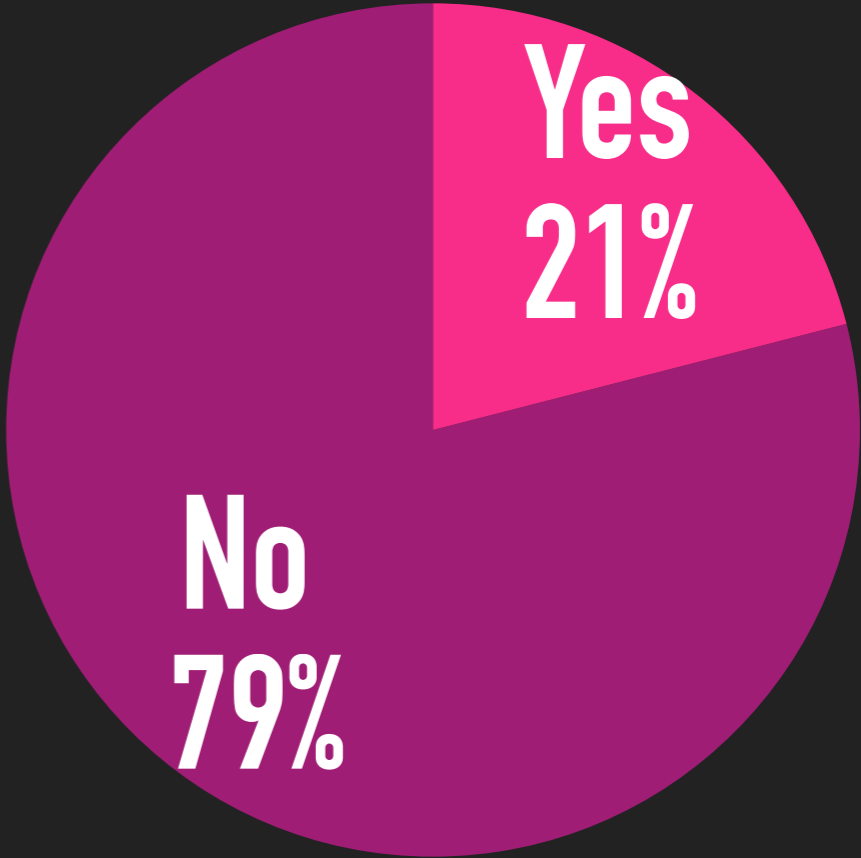


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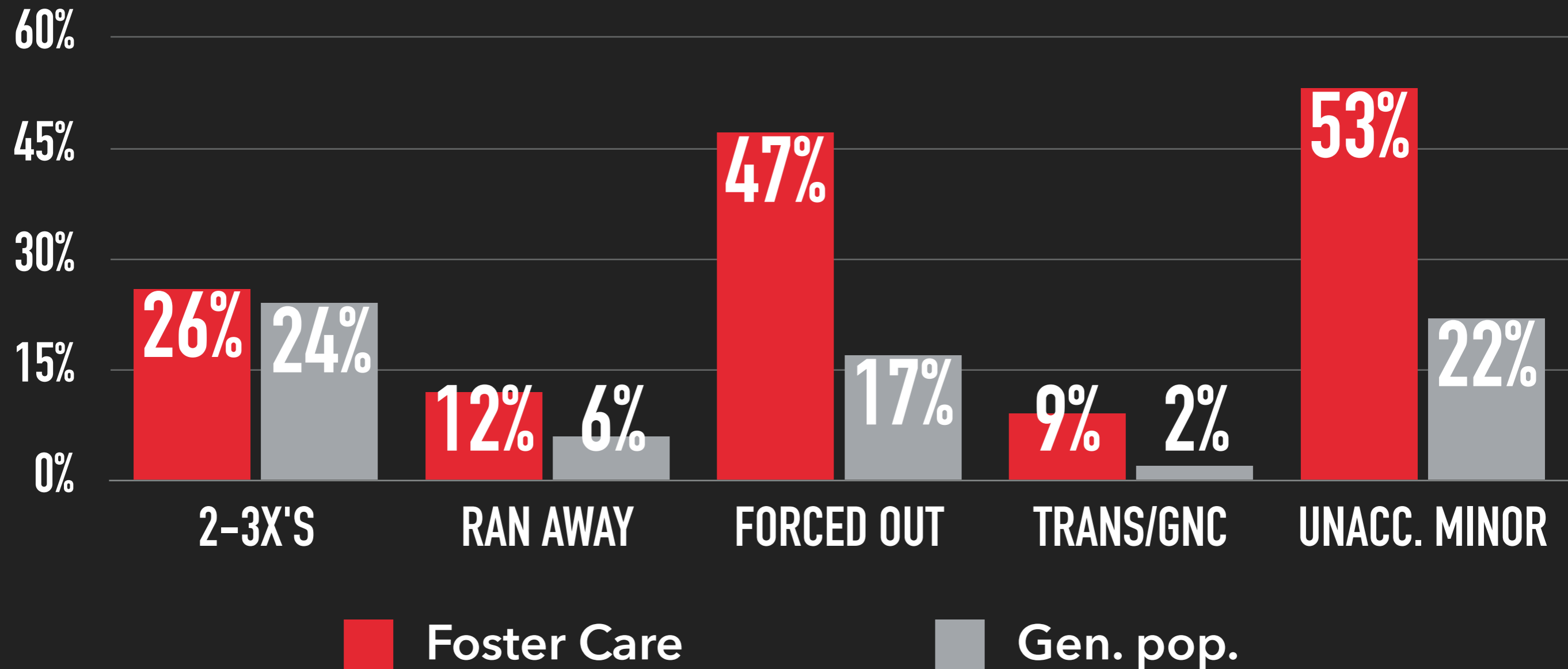


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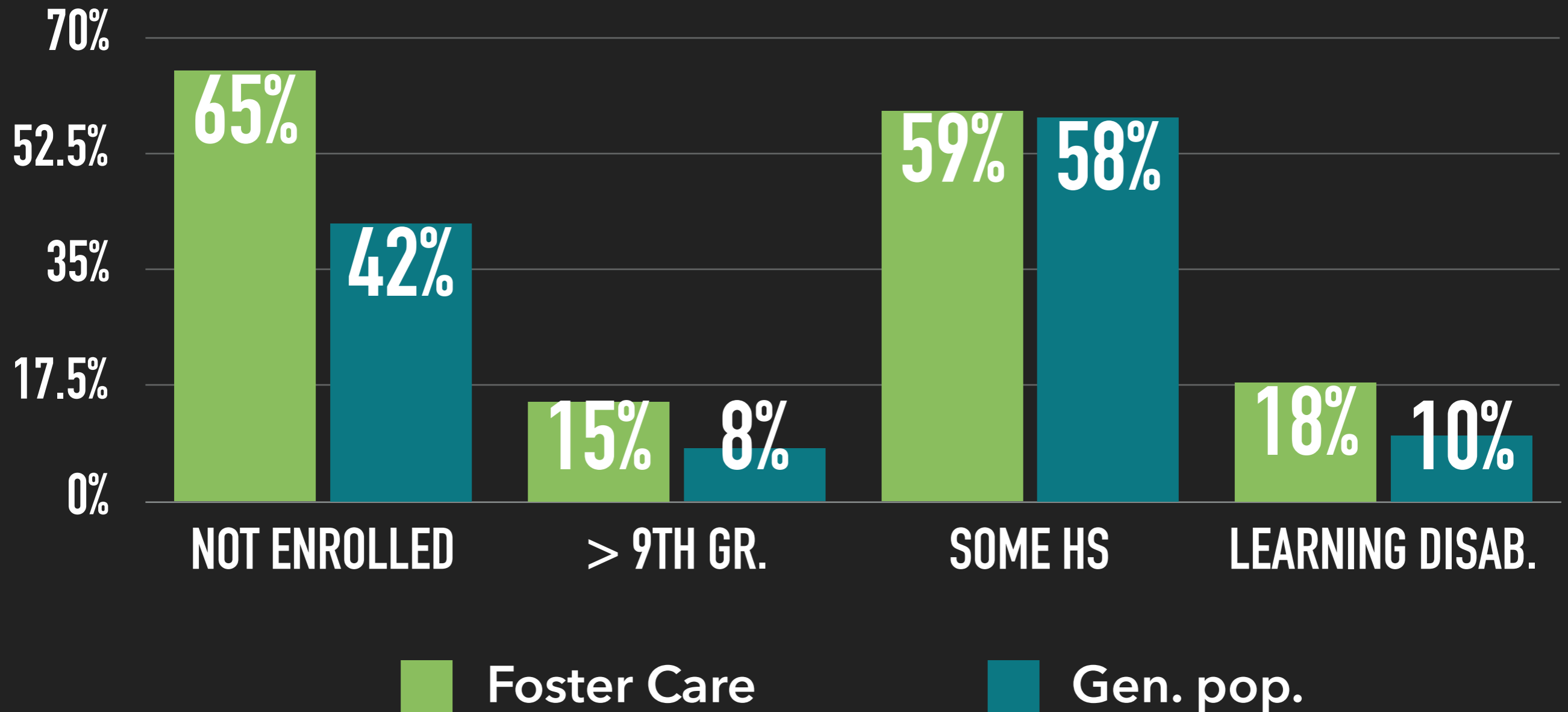
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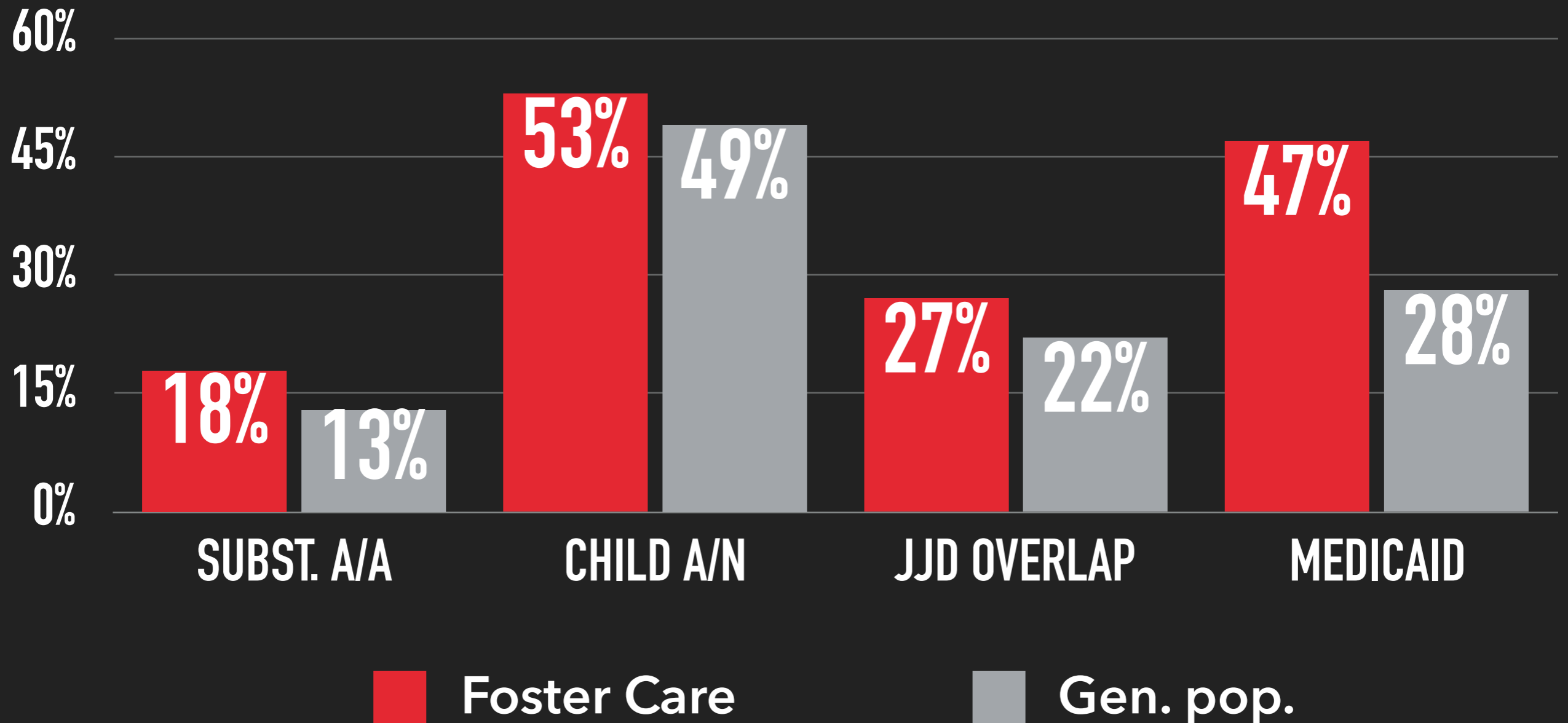
FOSTER CARE (CONT.)

EDUCATION / VOCATION



FOSTER CARE (CONT.)

EXPERIENCES



POLICY RECOMMENDATIONS FROM YOUTH POINT OF VIEW

- ▶ 1) Affordable housing
- ▶ 2) More youth shelters for teens
- ▶ 3-t) Parental accountability for abandonment/neglect
- ▶ 3-t) Raise minimum wage
- ▶ Others include: increased child care availability in workplace; flip abandoned buildings to shelters; no criminal charges for sexually exploited youth; etc.

**DEPUTY MAYOR PRO TEM
ADAM MEDRANO
DISTRICT 2**

**COMMISSIONER
THERESA DANIEL
DISTRICT 1**

**CONTINUUM OF CARE
STRATEGIC PLAN –
DR. ASHLEY LIND,
PROMISE HOUSE**

**TEXAS NETWORK
OF YOUTH SERVICES &
TEXAS APPLESEED
PRESENTATION**