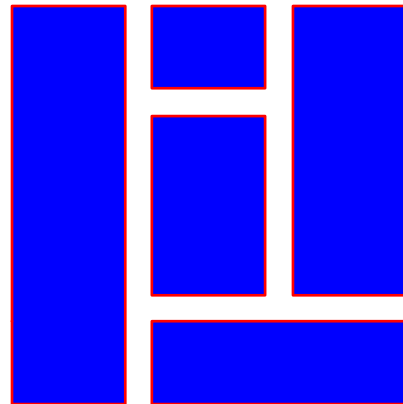


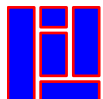
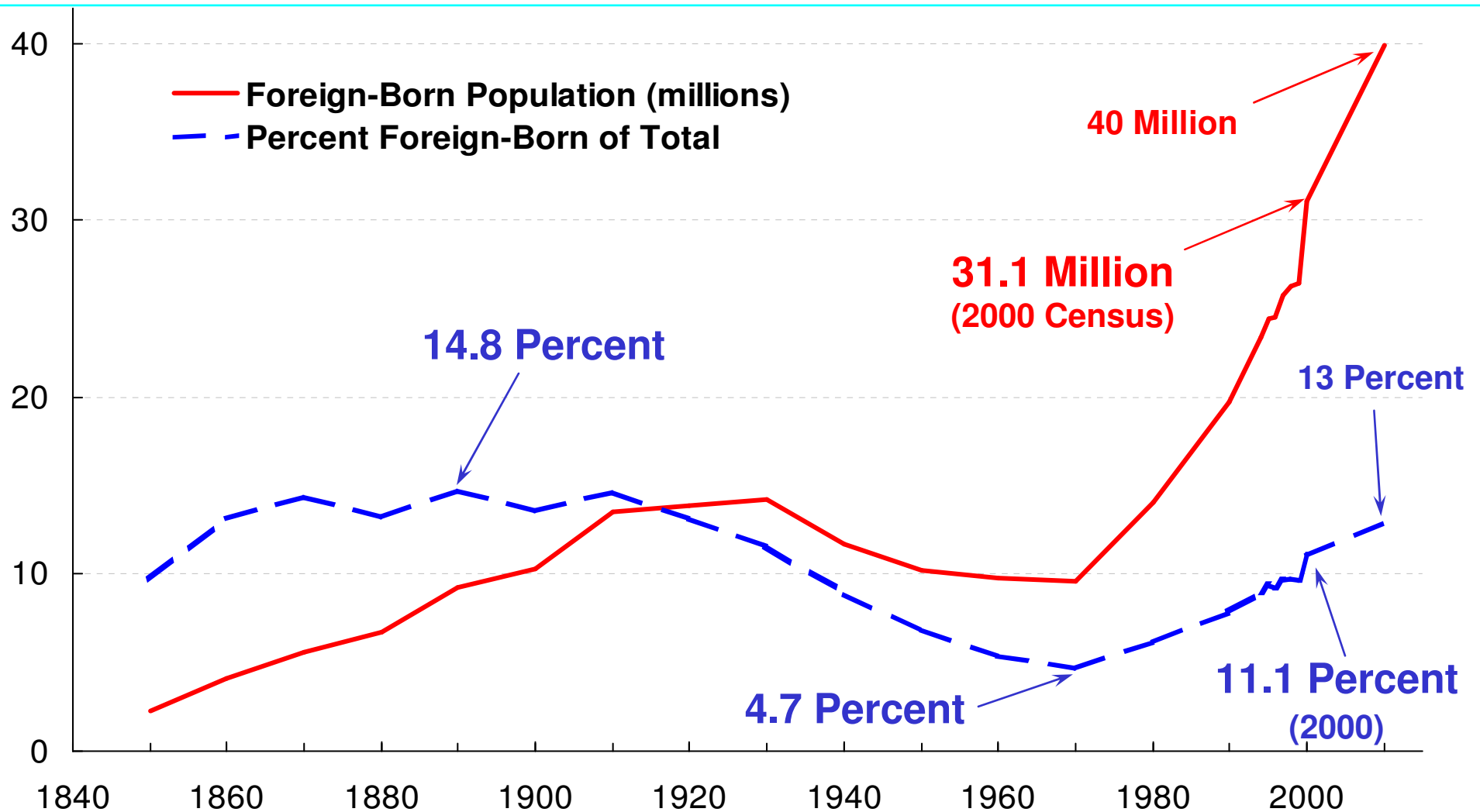
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Immigrant Numbers at Peak -- Percentage is Not



Demographic Context

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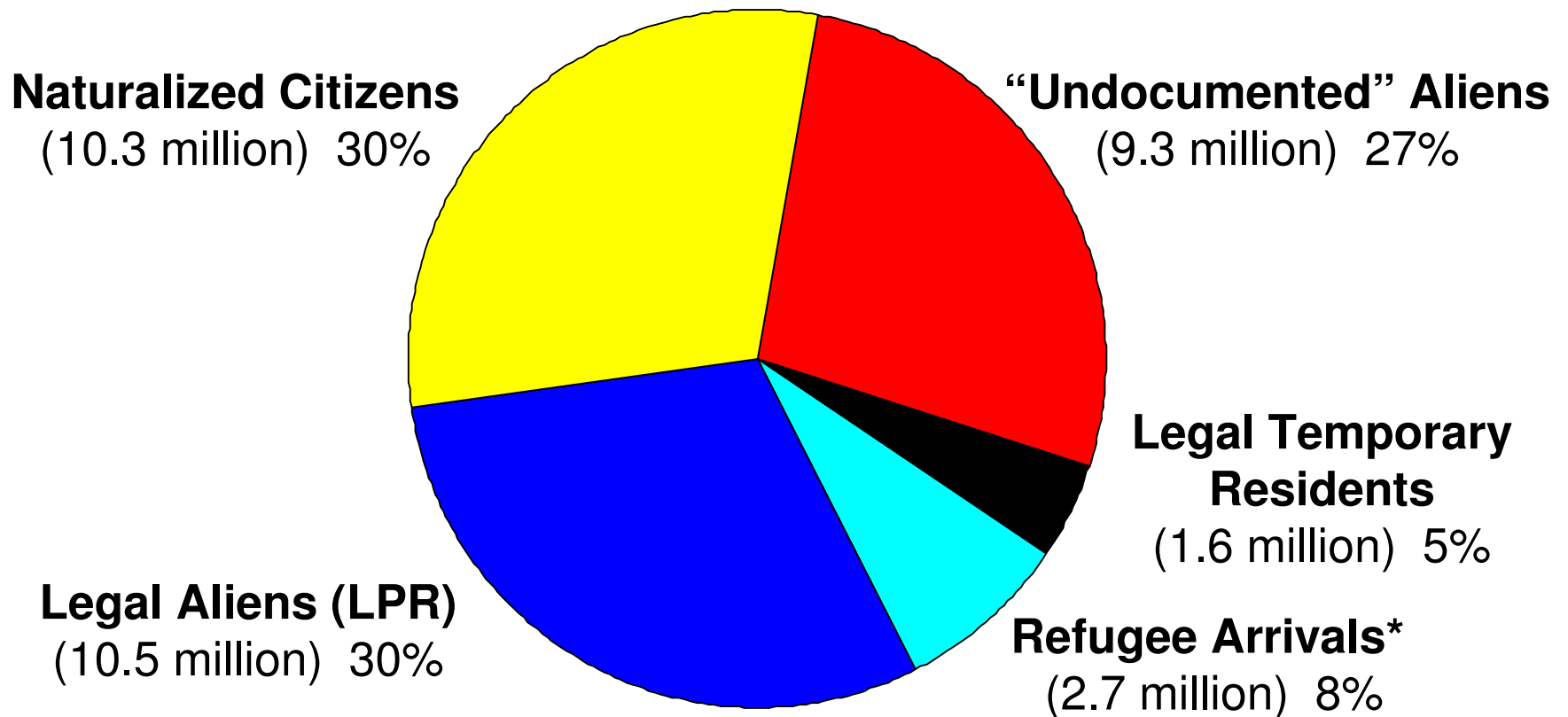
- **1 in 9 U.S. Residents**
- **1 in 4 Low-Wage Workers**

Children of Immigrants are ...

- **1 in 5 Children**
- **1 in 5 Children < 6**
- **1 in 4 Low-Income Children**



Legal Status of Immigrants



Foreign-Born Population in 2002

(34.5 Million -- based on March 2002 CPS & Author's Estimates)



4 Phases of Immigrant Policy

- ***Laissez Faire: early 90s***
- ***Express Exclusion: mid 90s***
- ***The Progressive Moment: late 90s***
- ***Post 9/11: Economic Downturn***



Key Federal Policy Choices

- ***Health benefits: ICHIA***
- ***Low-income workers: WIA***
- ***Undocumented students: DREAM***
- ***Schooling: NCLB \$***
- ***Pre-school: reauthorization of Head Start***



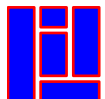
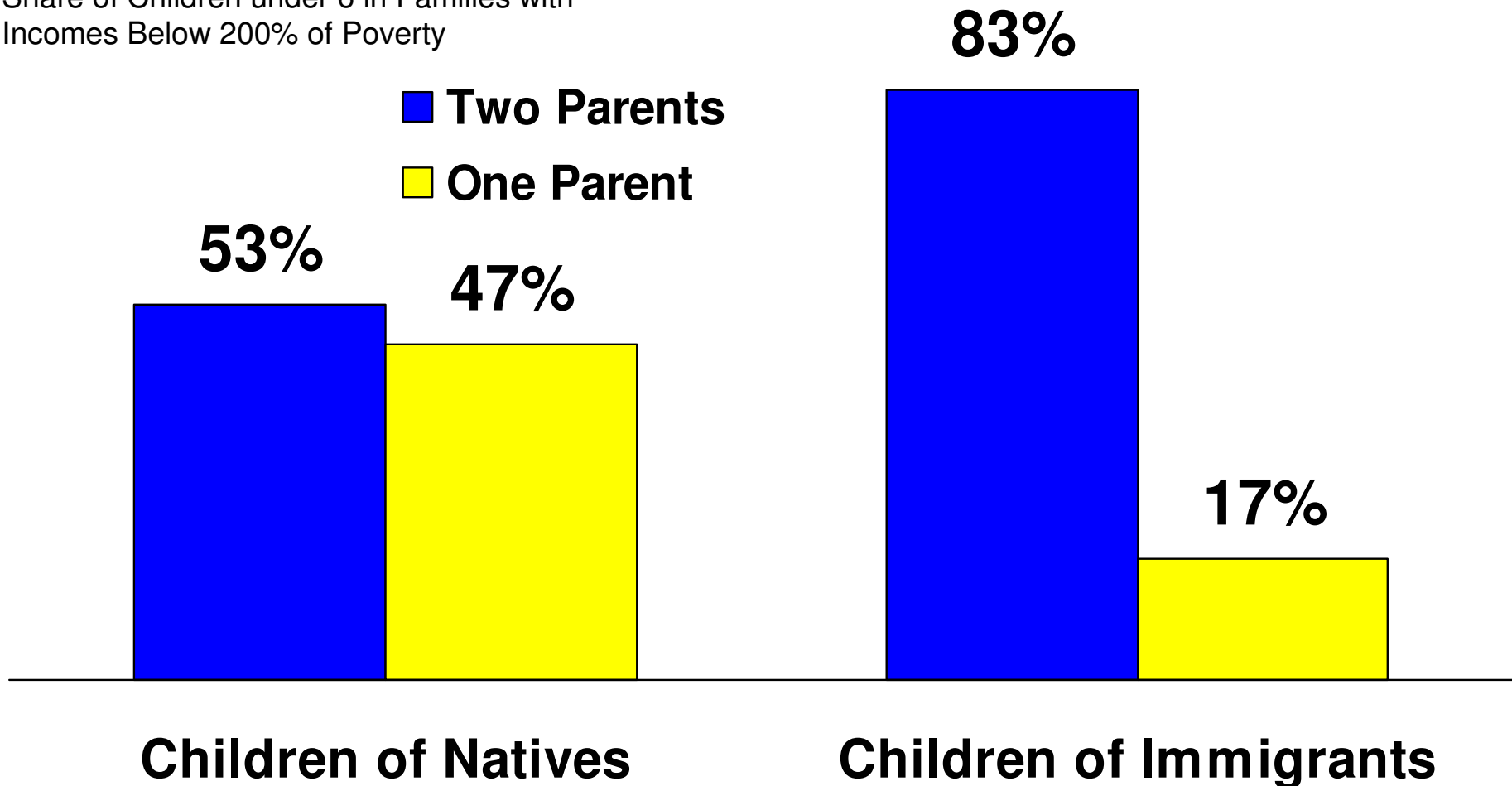
Poverty Widespread Children of Immigrants under 6

- ***56% live in families with income under 200% of poverty***
- ***Children of immigrants are 29% of all low-income young children***
- ***63% of young foreign-born children live in families with income under 200% of poverty***



Poverty Persists Despite Two-Parent Families

Share of Children under 6 in Families with Incomes Below 200% of Poverty



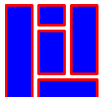
Almost All Kids < 6 Are Citizens in Mixed Families

- ***90% under age 6 are citizens (versus 70% ages 6 to 17)***
- ***79% under age 6 have a noncitizen parent***
- ***28% under age 6 have an undocumented immigrant parent***



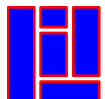
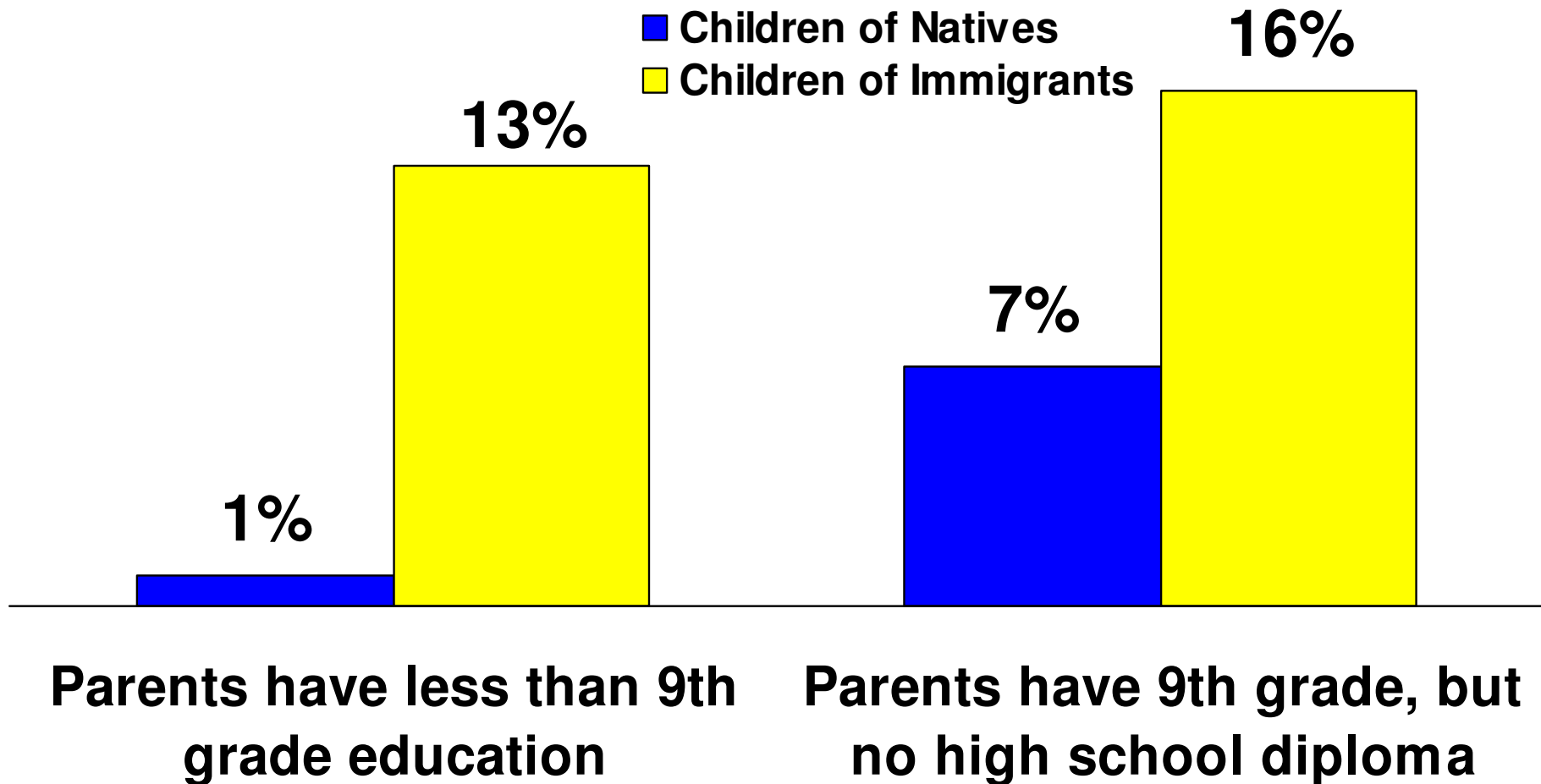
Many Parents Arrived Recently

- ***50% of parents arrived within the last ten years***
- ***20% arrived within the last 5 years***
- ***Many parents are ineligible for public benefits***



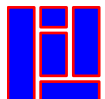
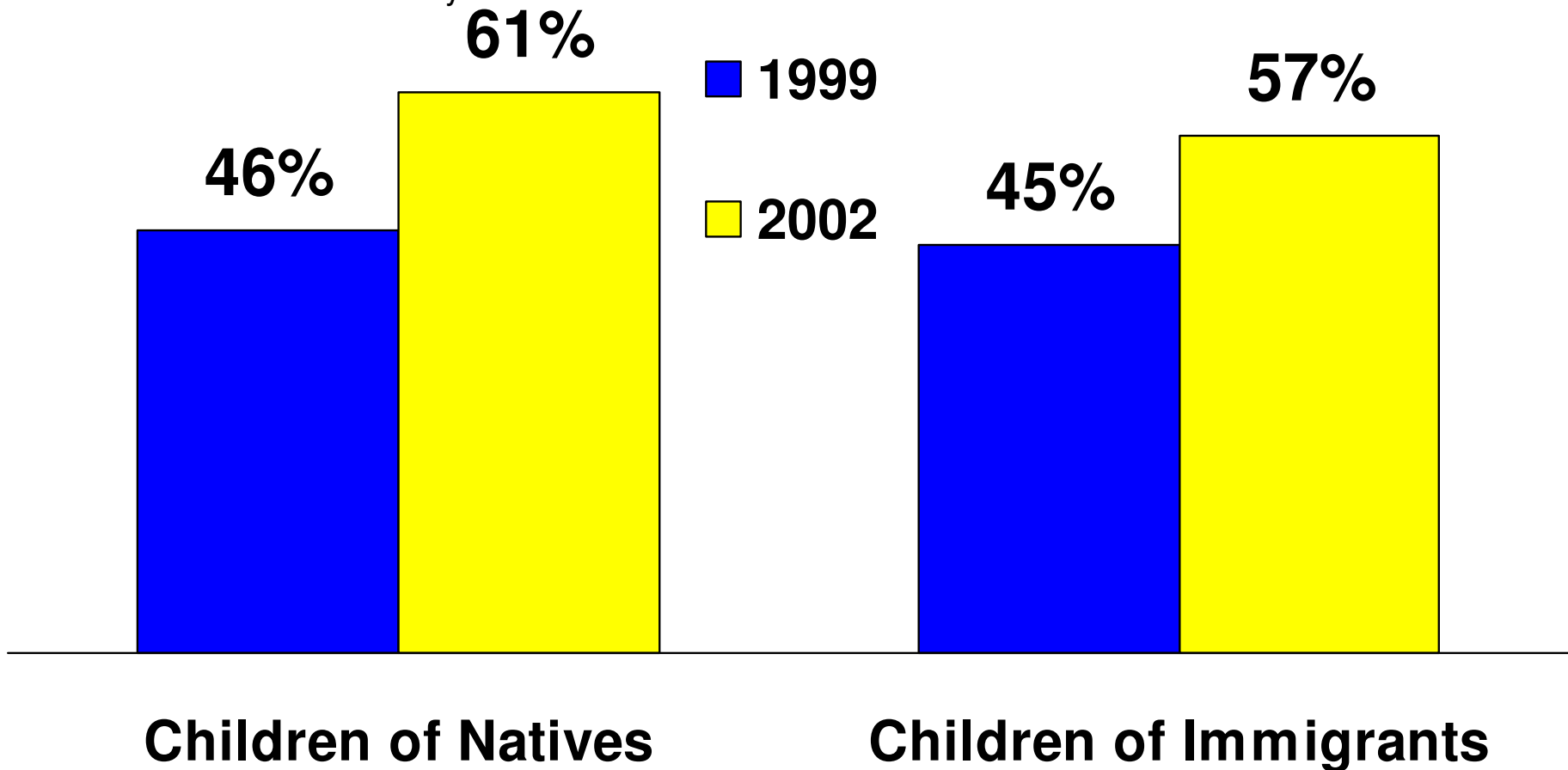
Many Parents Have Little Formal Schooling

Share of All Children under 6



Public Health Insurance Coverage Rises for Low-Income Children

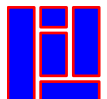
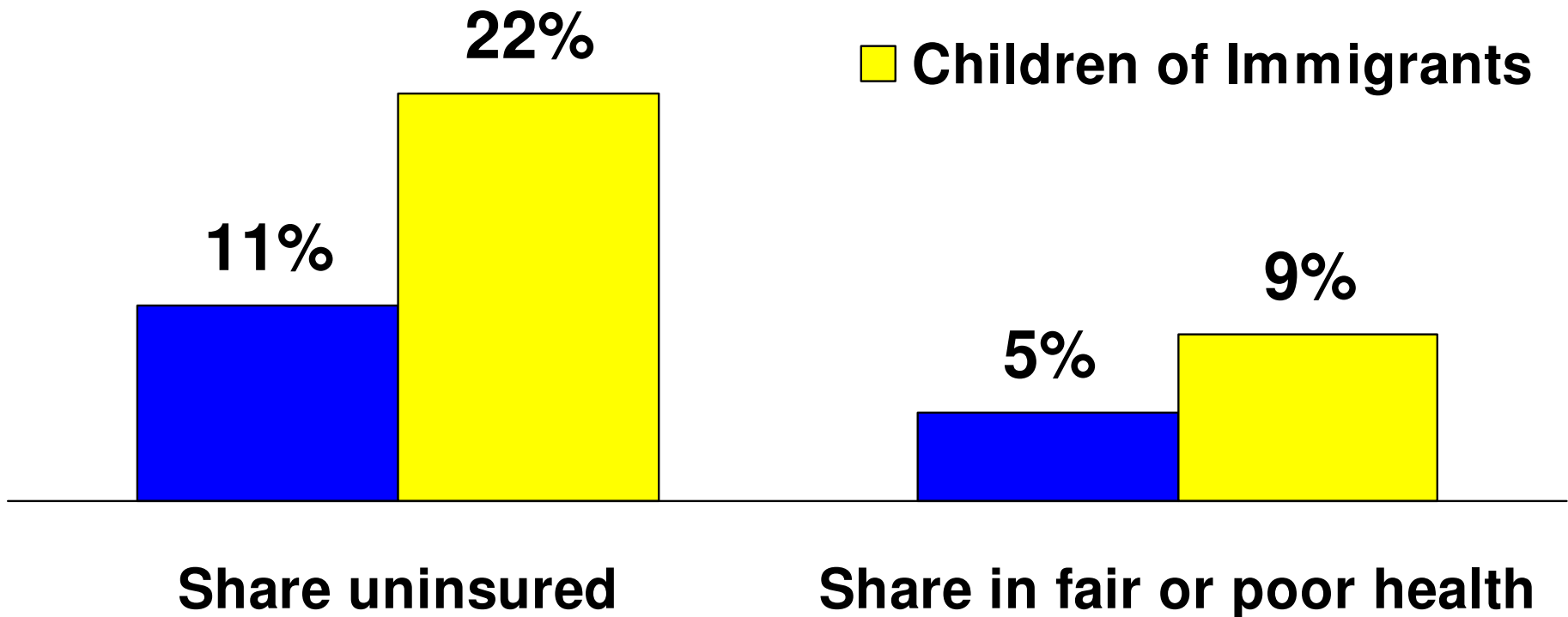
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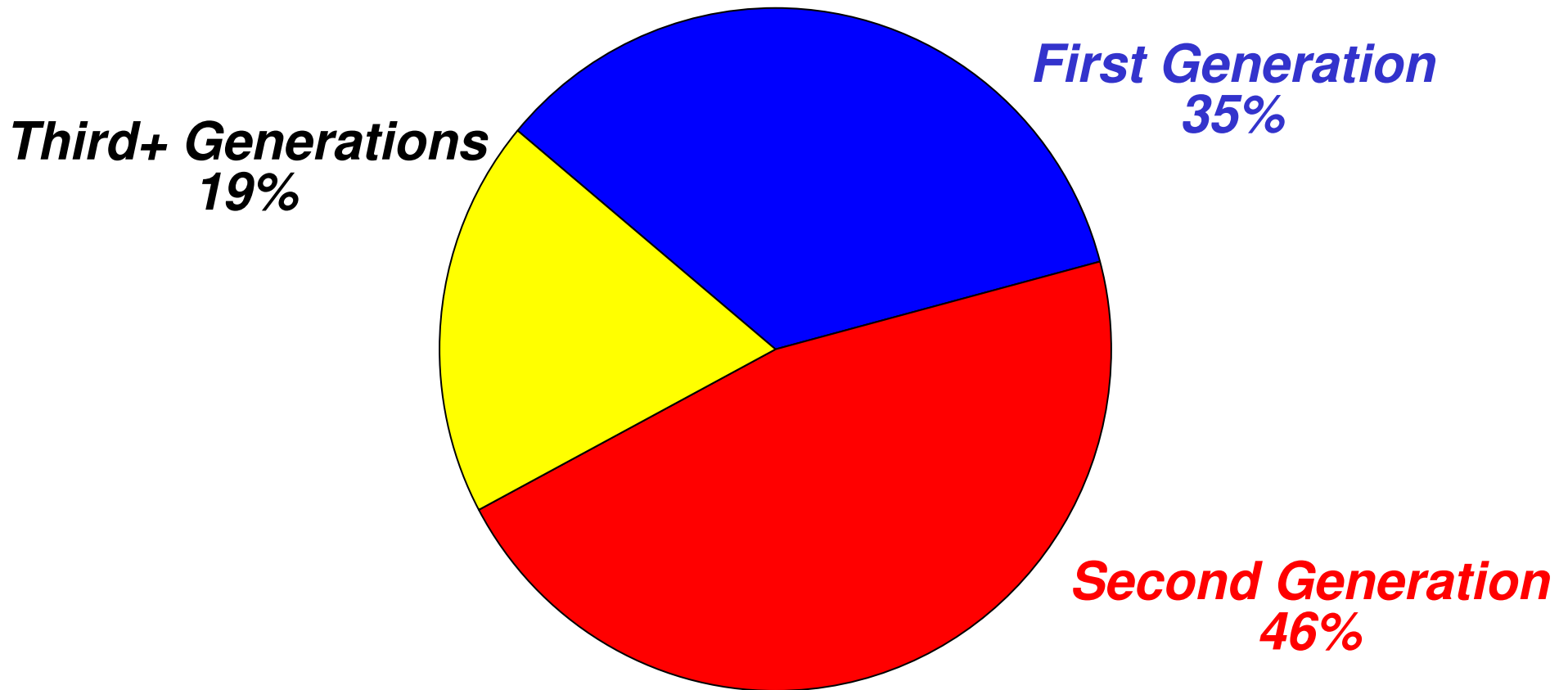
Low-Income Children of Immigrants More Often Uninsured, in Fair/Poor Health

Share of Children under 6 in Families with Incomes Below 200% of Poverty

■ Children of Natives
■ Children of Immigrants



More LEP Children are Native than Foreign-Born

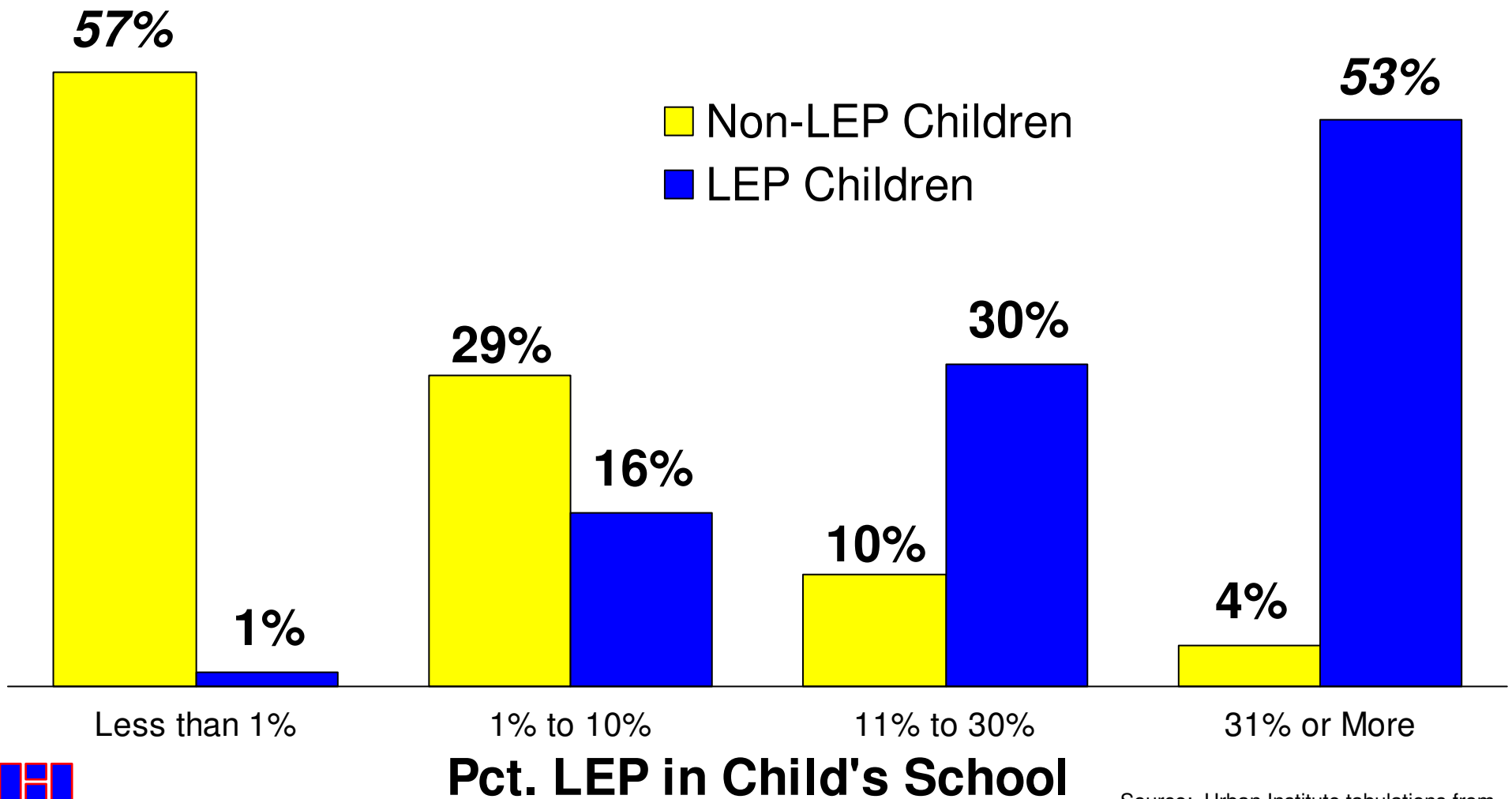


Distribution of Limited English Proficient Students in Grades K-12



LEP Students Attend Linguistically Segregated Schools

Percentage of LEP or Non-LEP Children



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