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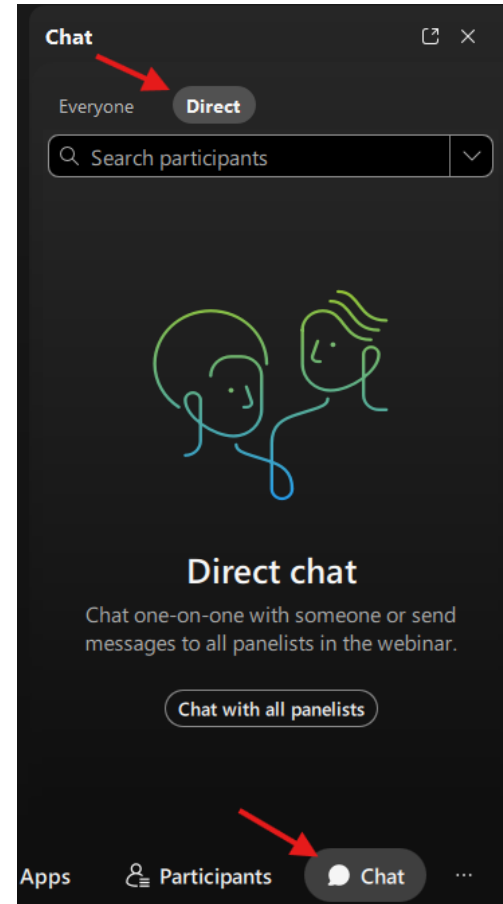
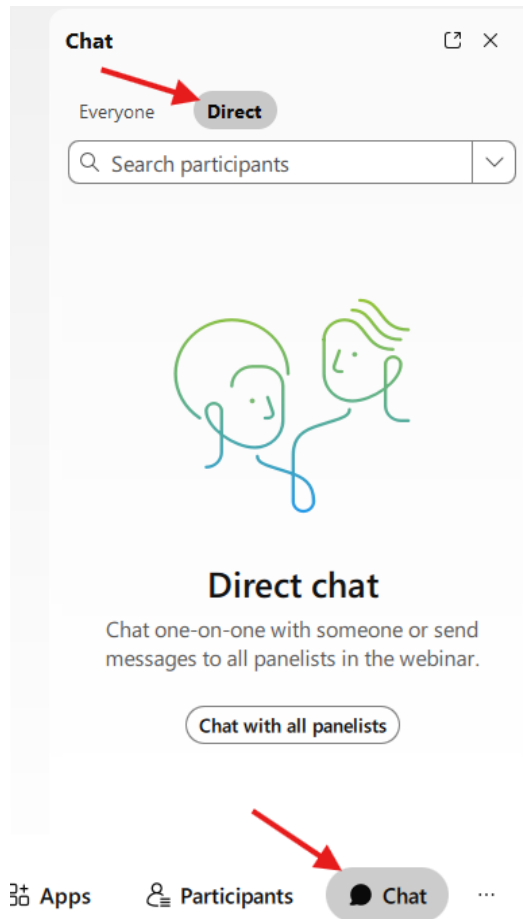


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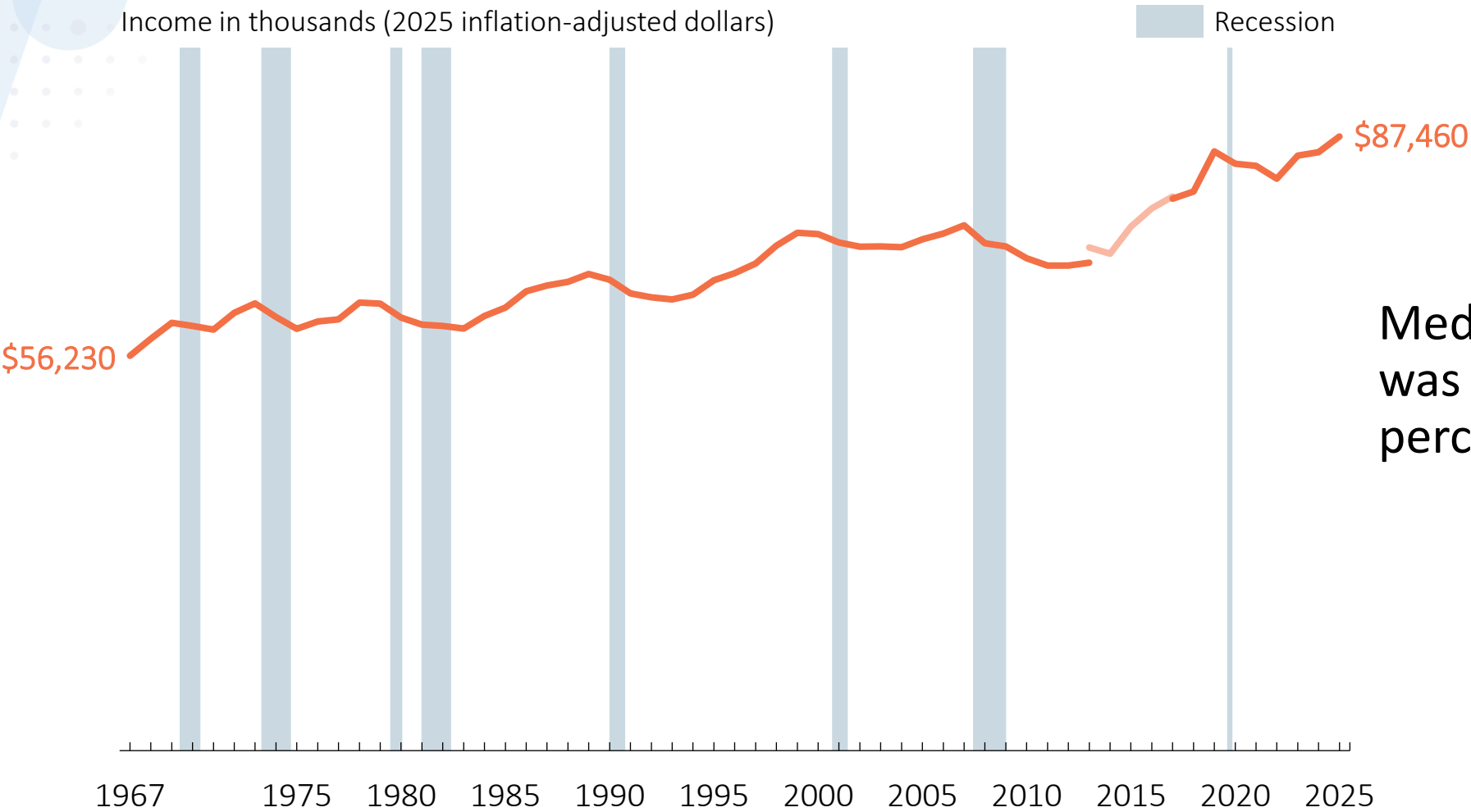
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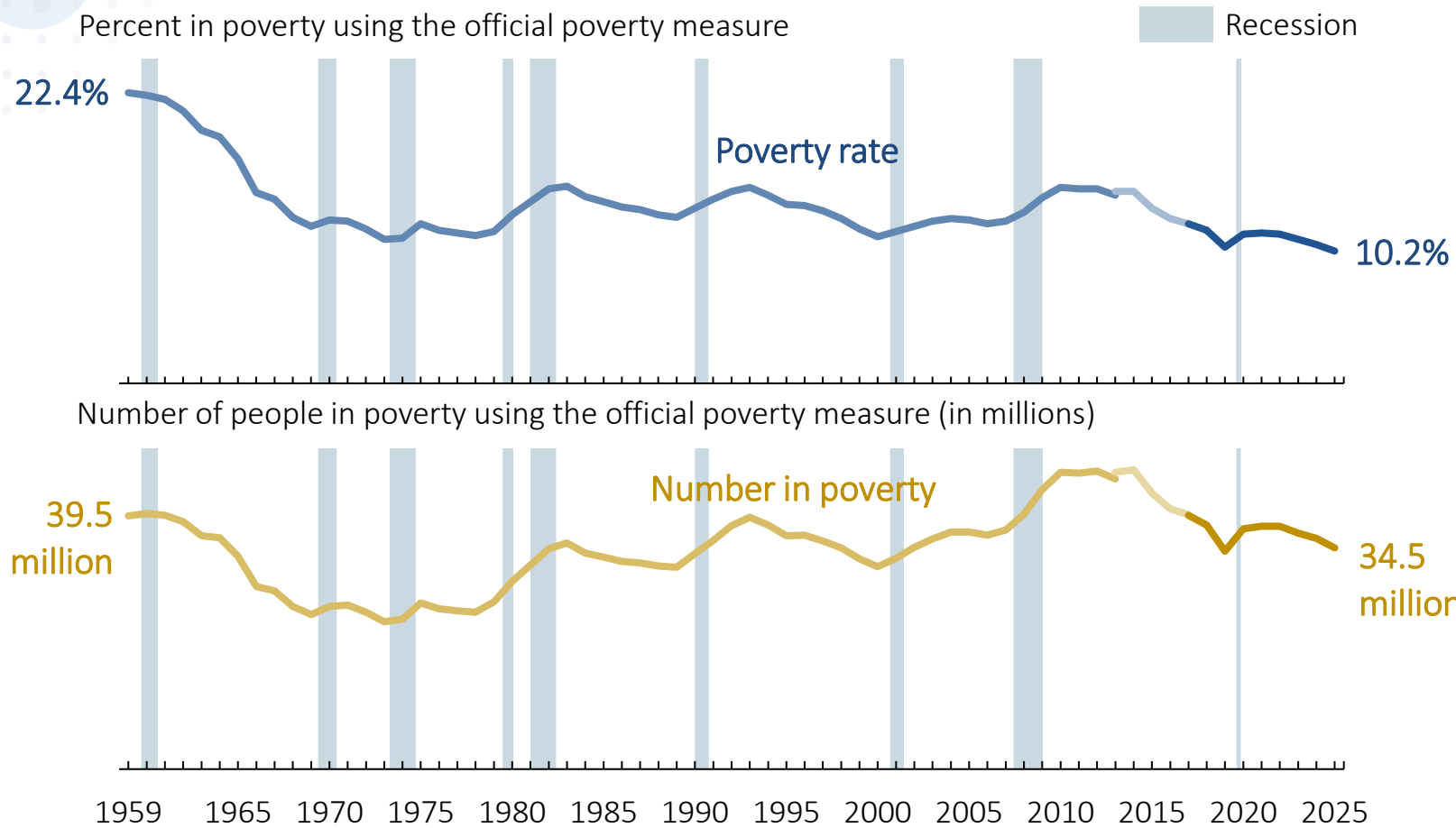
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Real Median Household Income: 1967 to 2025



Median household income was \$87,460 in 2025, a 2.6 percent increase from 2024.

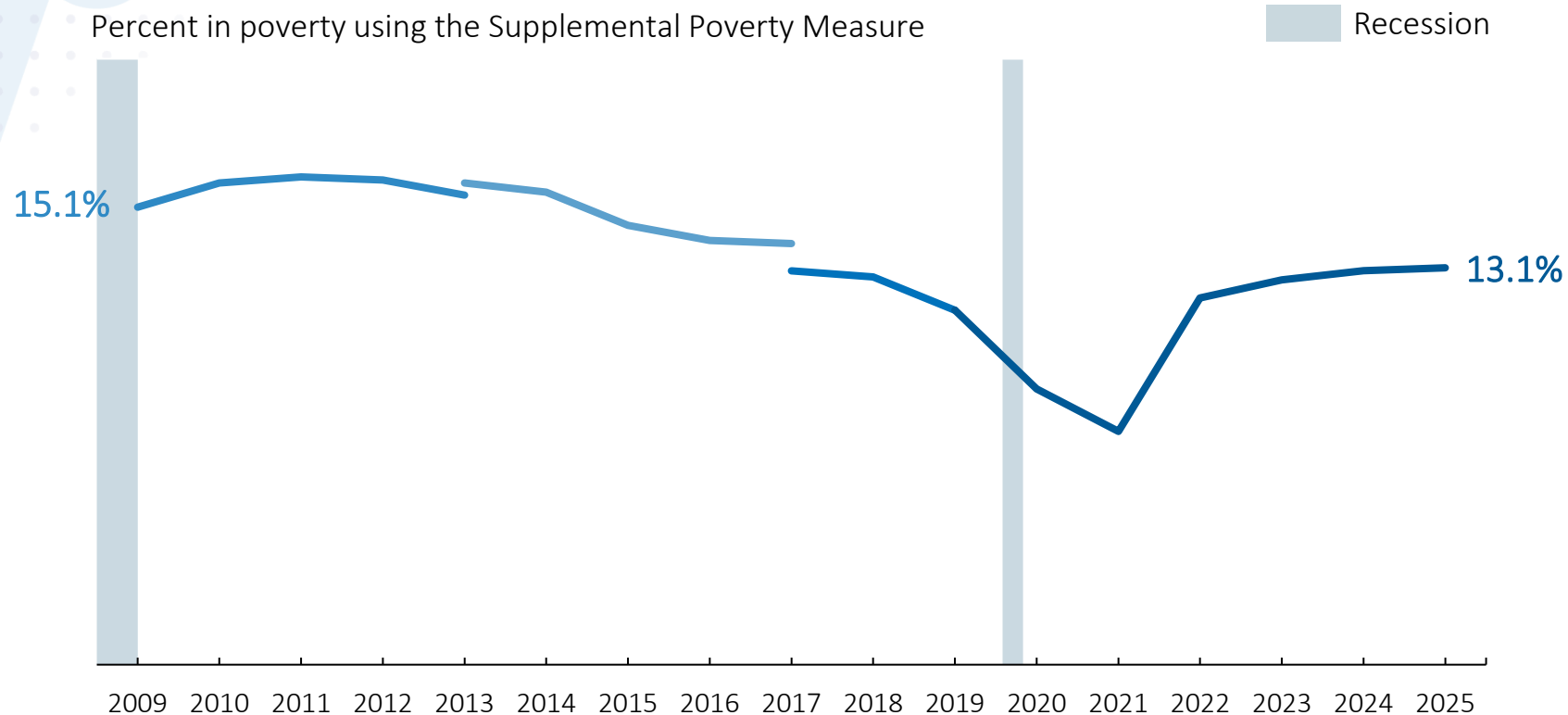
Poverty Rate and Number of People in Poverty: 1959 to 2025



The official poverty rate fell 0.5 percentage points to 10.2 percent in 2025.

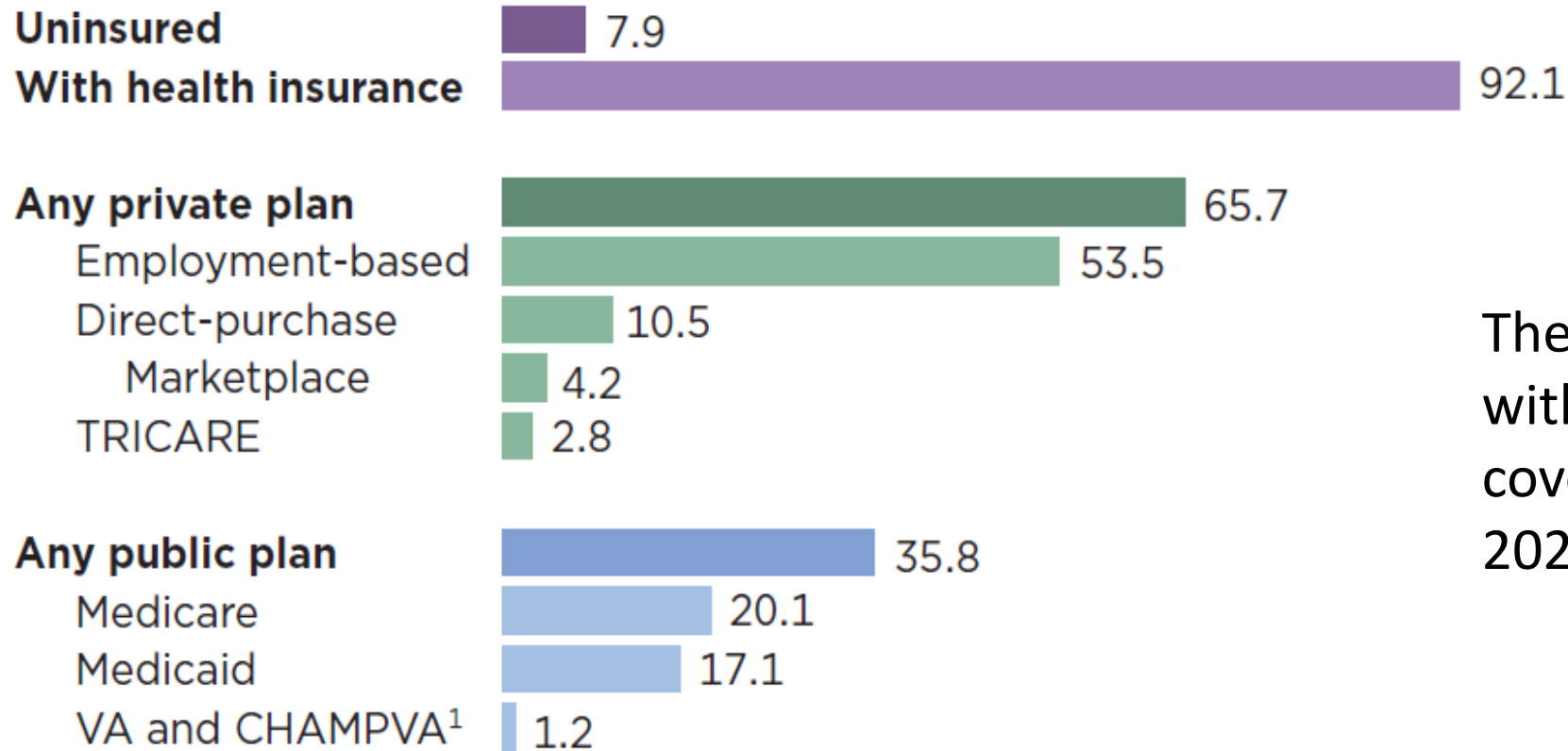
There were 34.5 million people in poverty.

SPM Rate: 2009 to 2025



The Supplemental Poverty Measure (SPM) rate in 2025 was 13.1 percent, not statistically different from 2024.

Health Insurance Coverage in 2025



The percentage of people with health insurance coverage for some or all of 2025 was 92.1 percent.



INCOME 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:

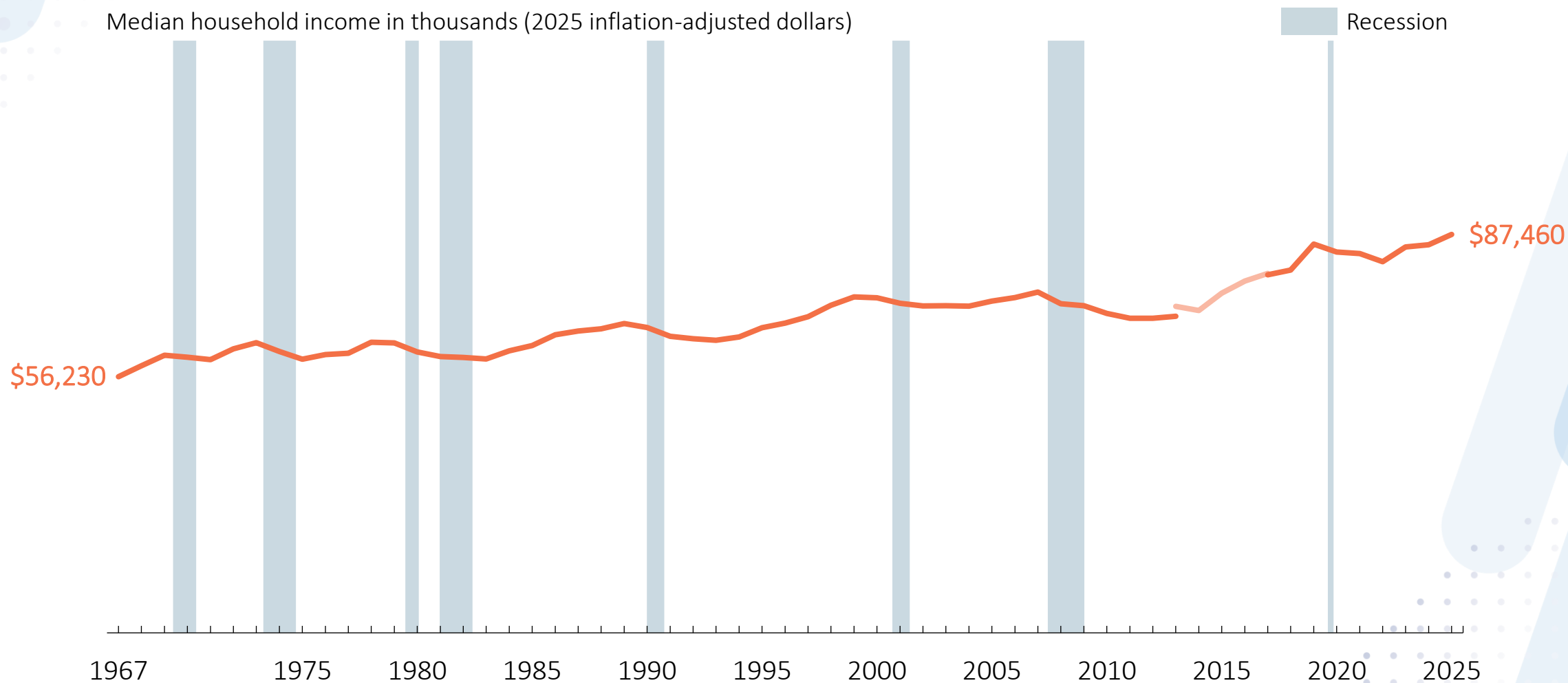
- Taxes paid
- Tax credits
- Noncash assistance (SNAP, Medicaid, etc.)

2025 Highlights

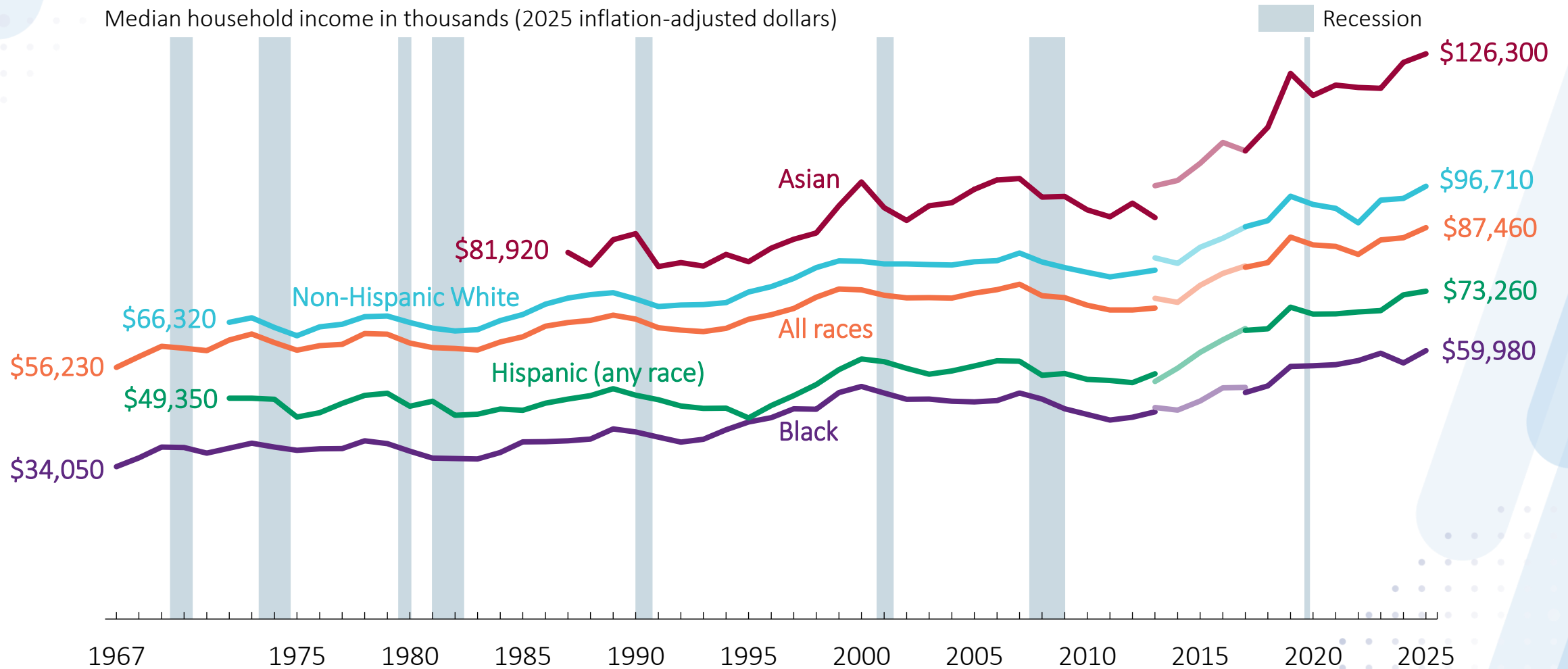
- Median household income increased 2.6 percent.
- Household income at the 90th percentile increased 1.7 percent. It did not change significantly at the 10th percentile.
- Among full-time, year-round workers, median earnings increased 3.2 percent for women but did not change significantly for men.
- The female-to-male earnings ratio increased from 80.6 to 83.9 percent.



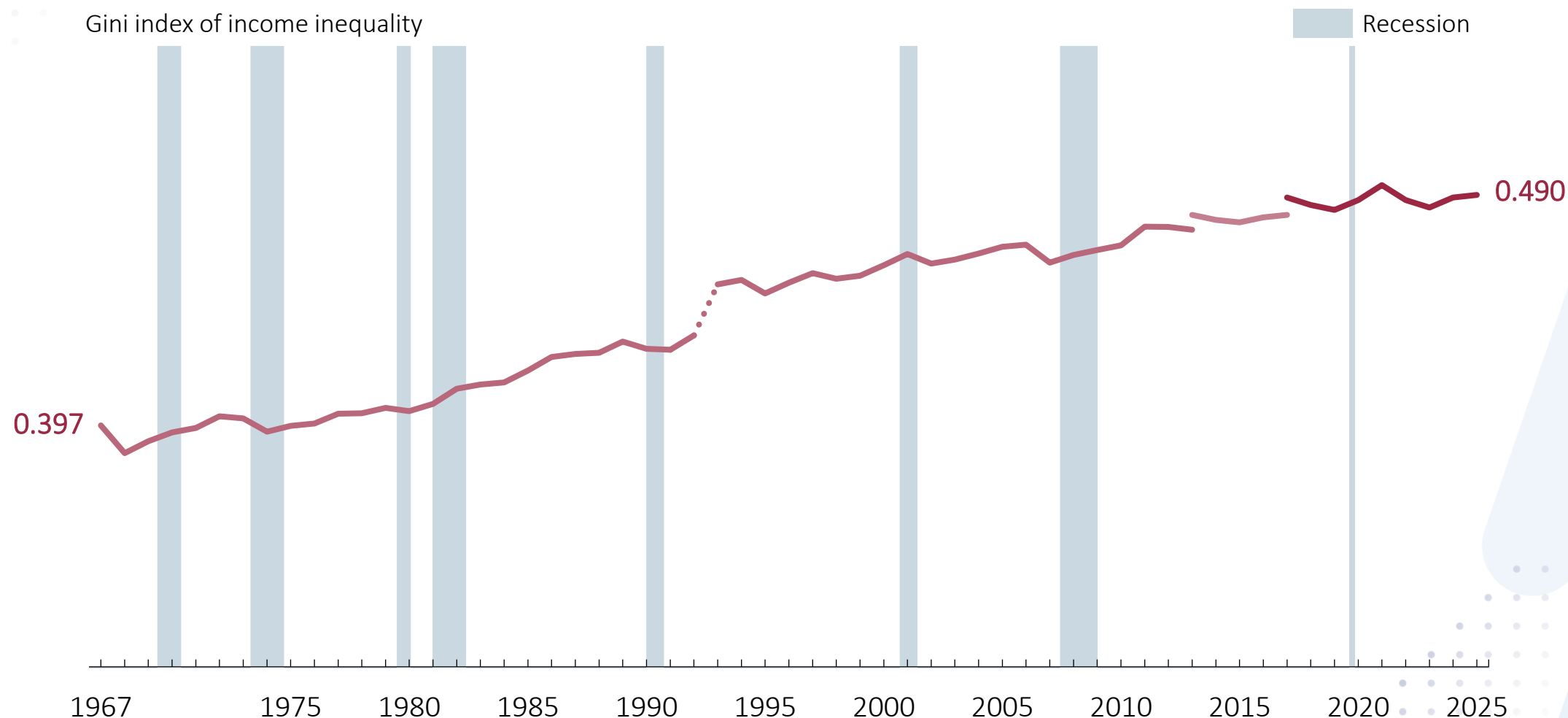
Median Household Income Increased in 2025



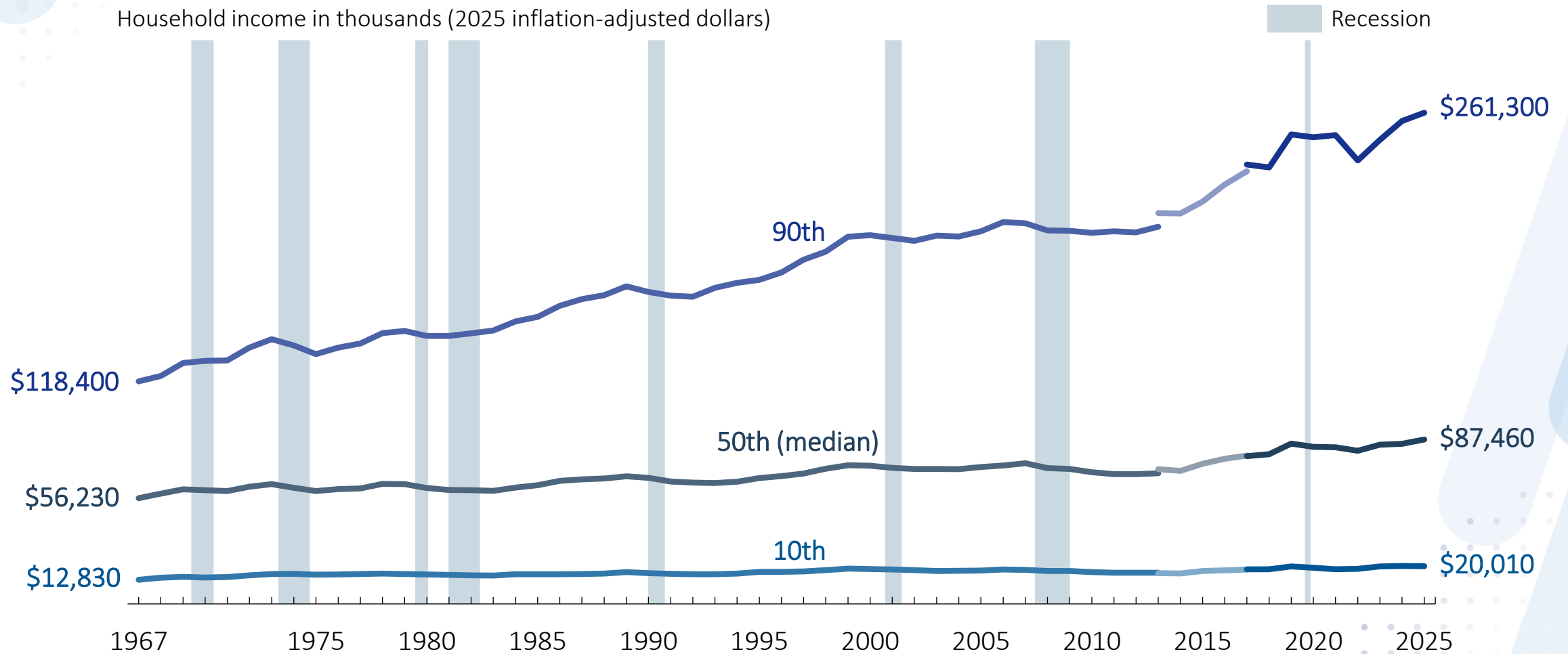
Income in 2025 Varied by Race and Hispanic Origin



Inequality as Measured by the Gini Index Was Statistically Stable From 2024 to 2025



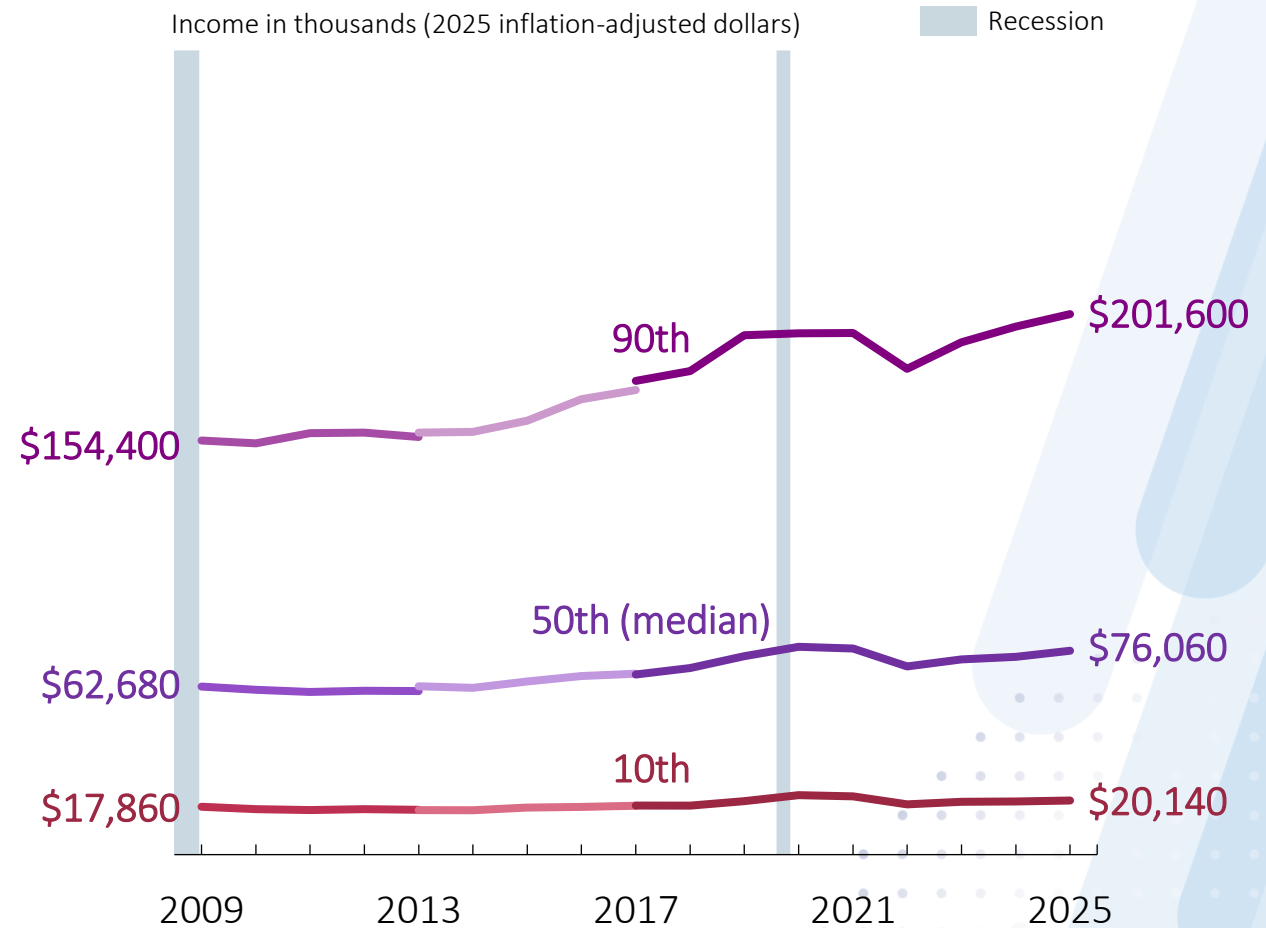
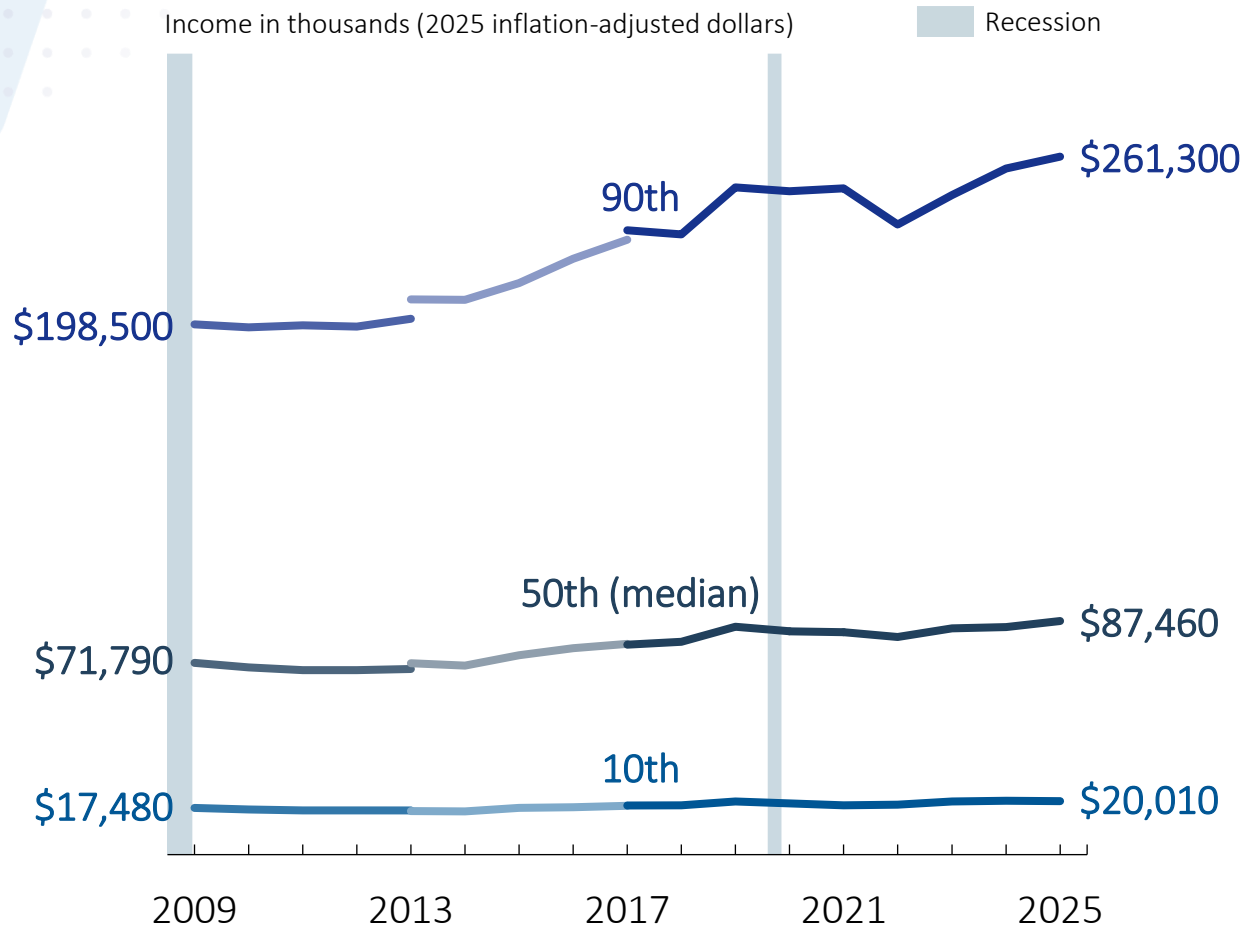
Household Income Increased Last Year at the Top of the Income Distribution



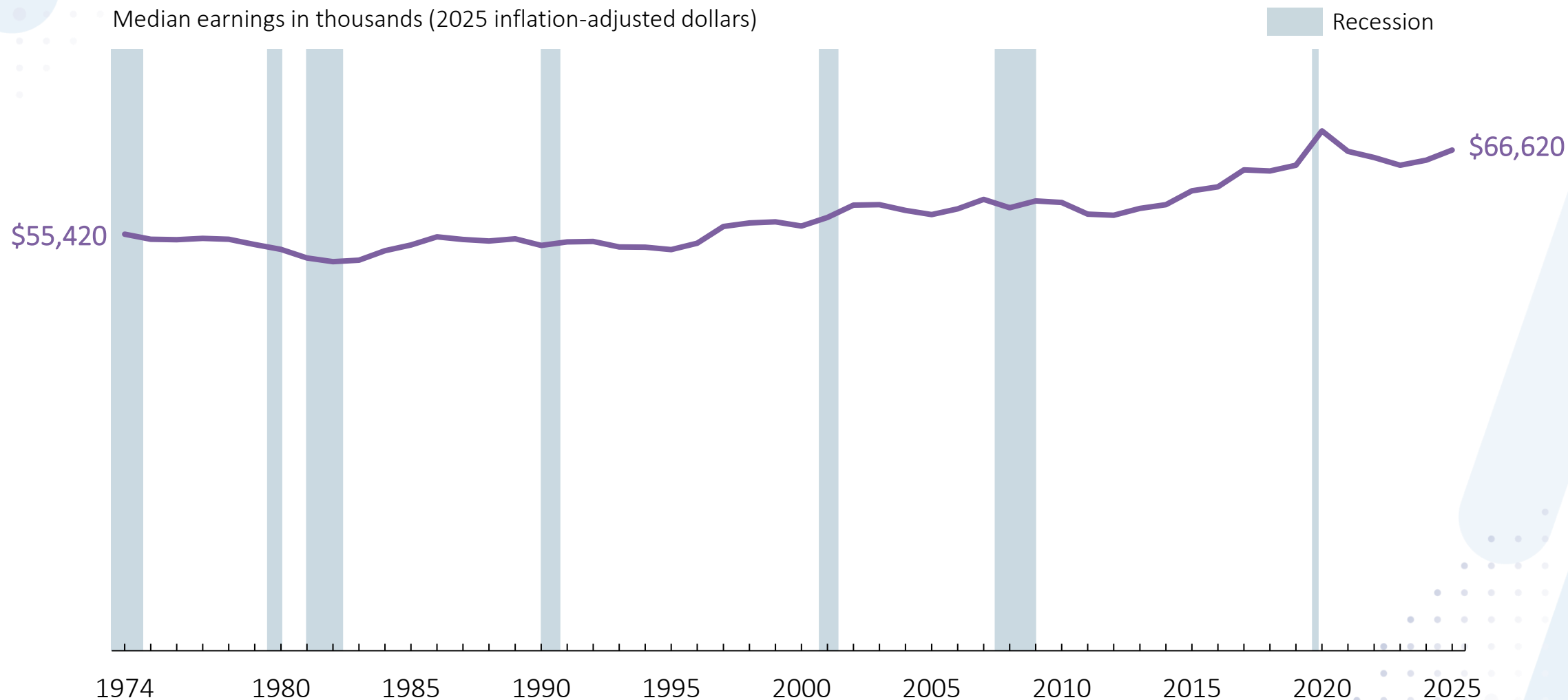
Post-tax Income Also Increased at the Median and Top of the Income Distribution from 2024 to 2025

Pretax Money Income

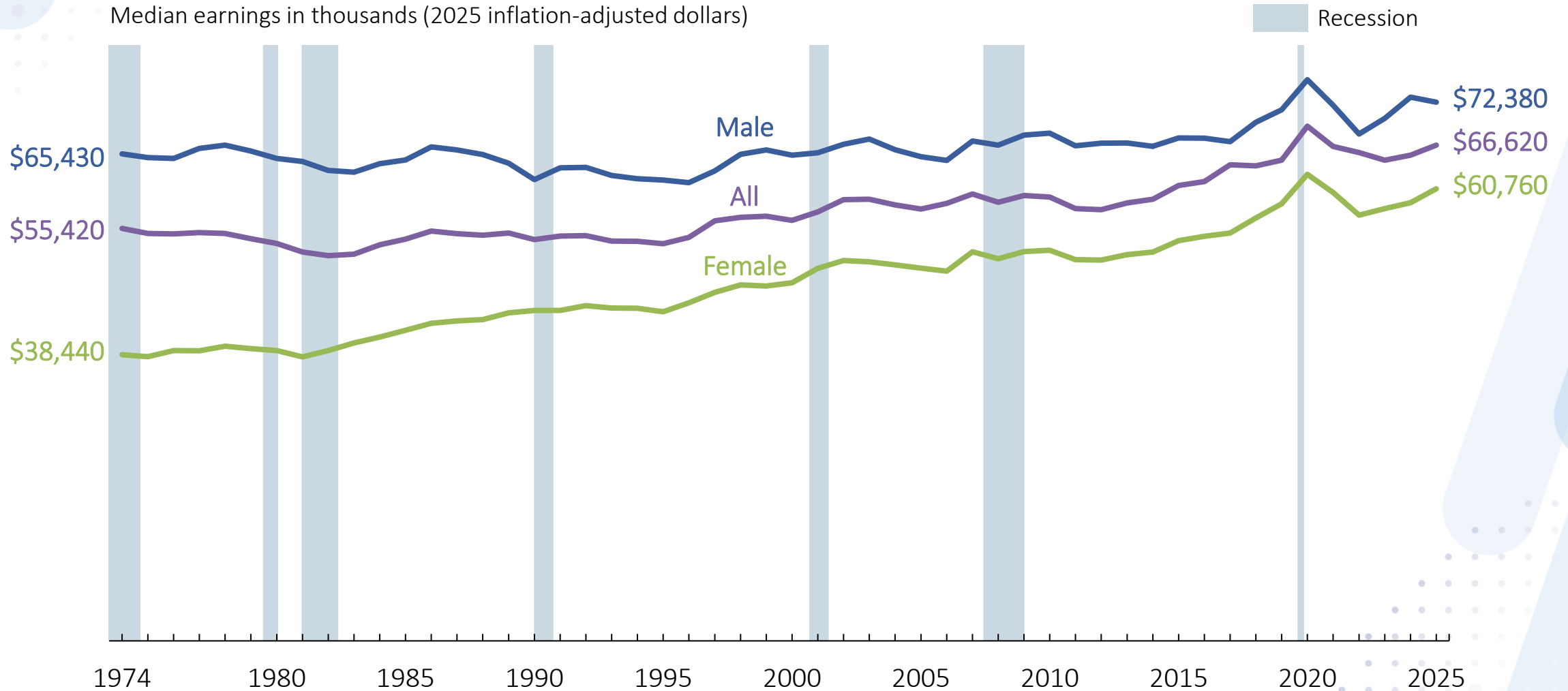
Post-Tax Income



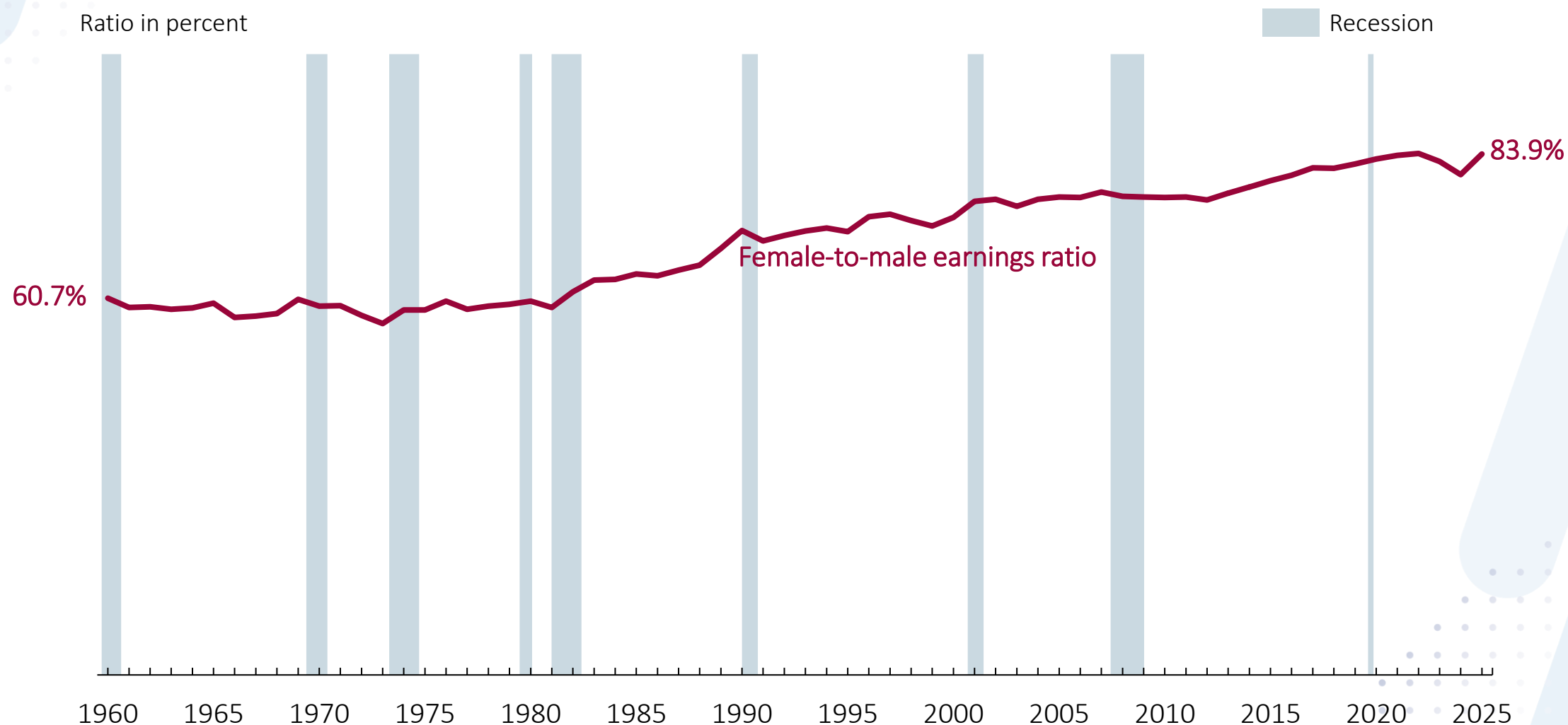
Earnings for Full-time, Year-round Workers Did Not Change Significantly Last Year



Women's Earnings Increased from 2024 to 2025



The Female-to-male Earnings Ratio Increased Last Year



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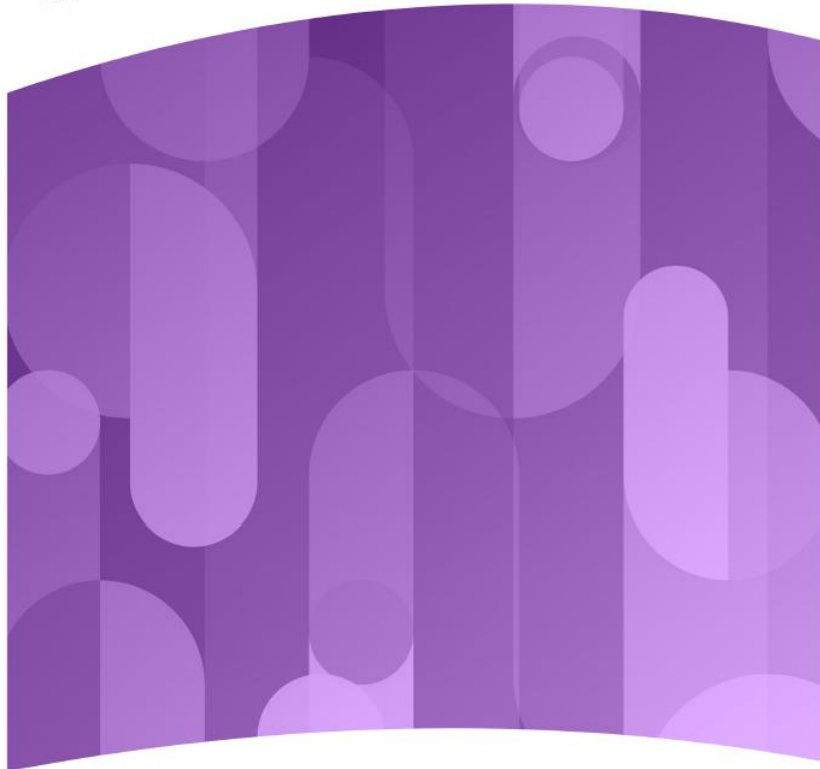
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2025 Highlights

- The official poverty rate fell 0.5 percentage points to 10.2 percent in 2025.
- The official poverty rate for children fell to 13.4 percent, the lowest on record.
- The official poverty rate for Hispanic individuals fell to 13.9 percent, the lowest on record.
- The Supplemental Poverty Measure (SPM) rate was stable at 13.1 percent.

How is the Official Poverty Measure Defined?

INCLUDES:

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

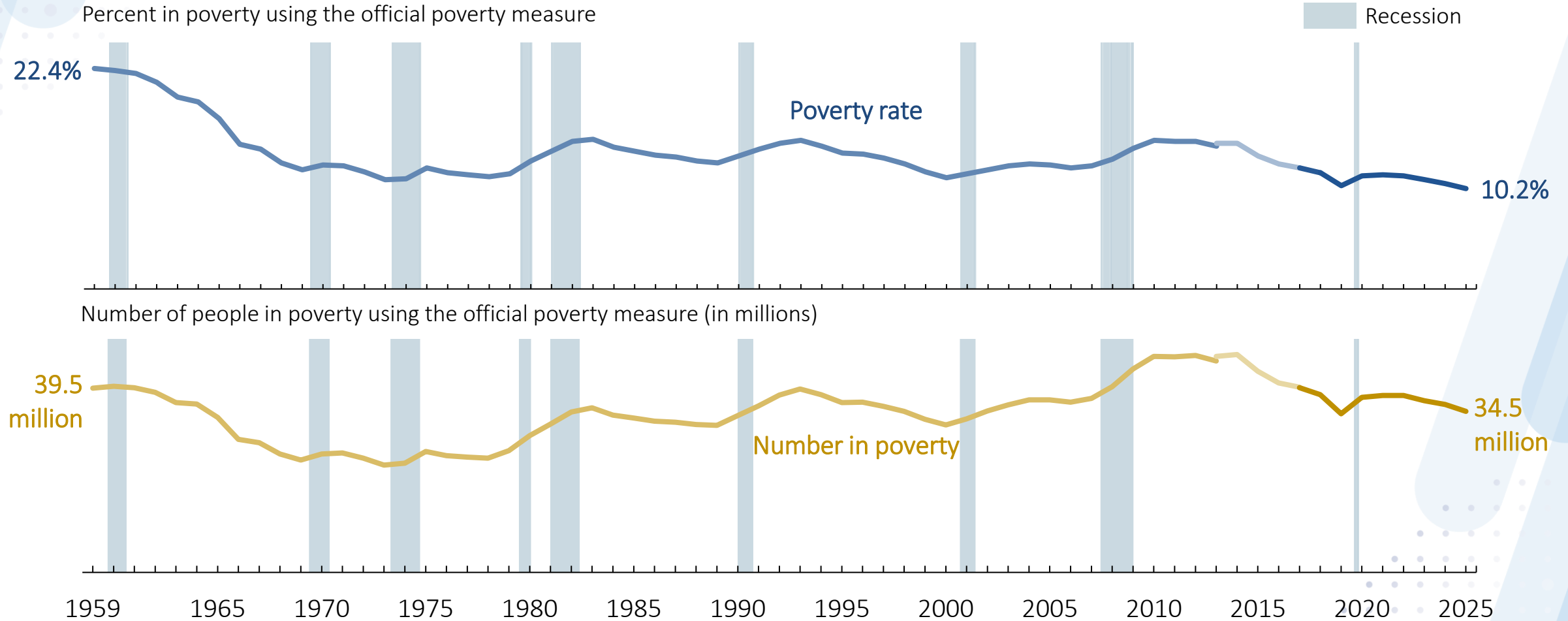


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family composition

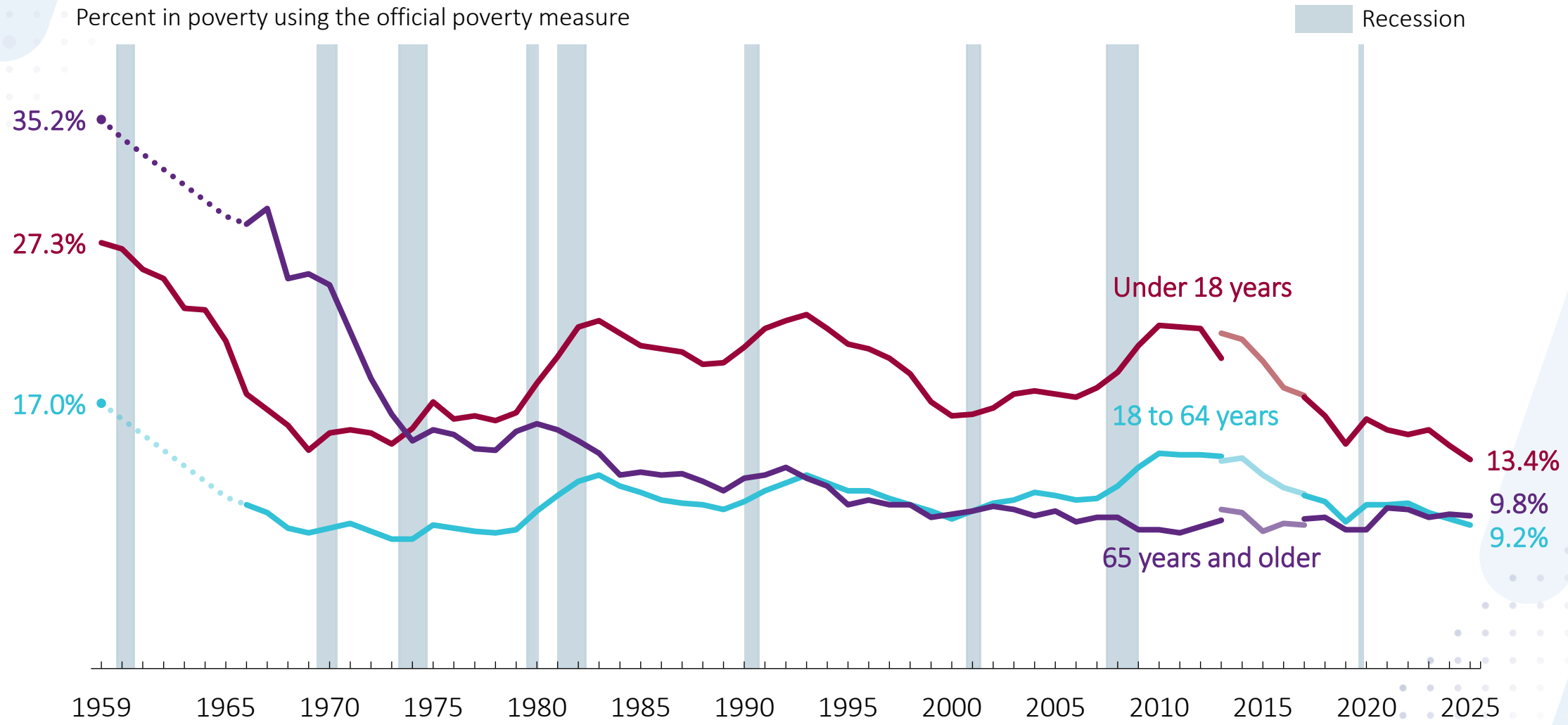
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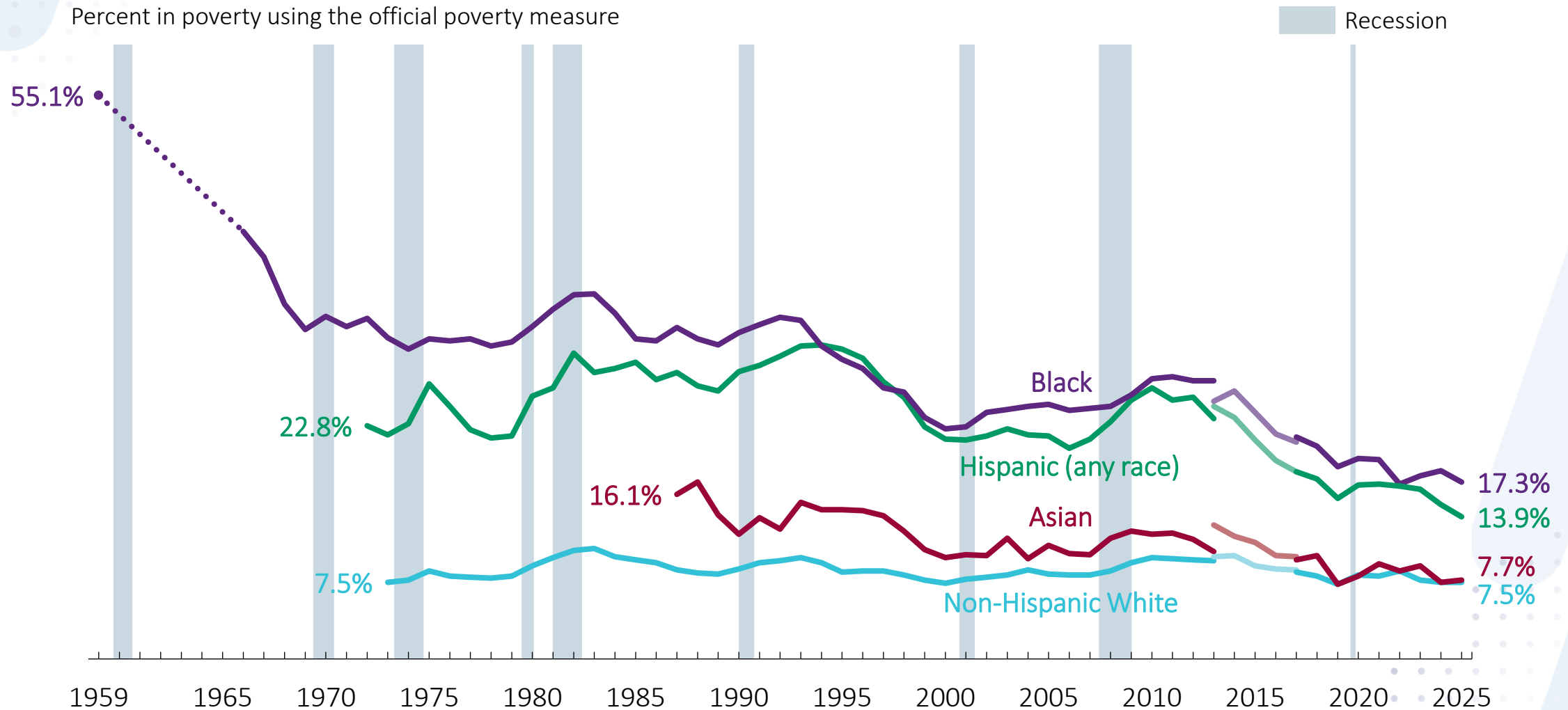
Official Poverty Fell in 2025



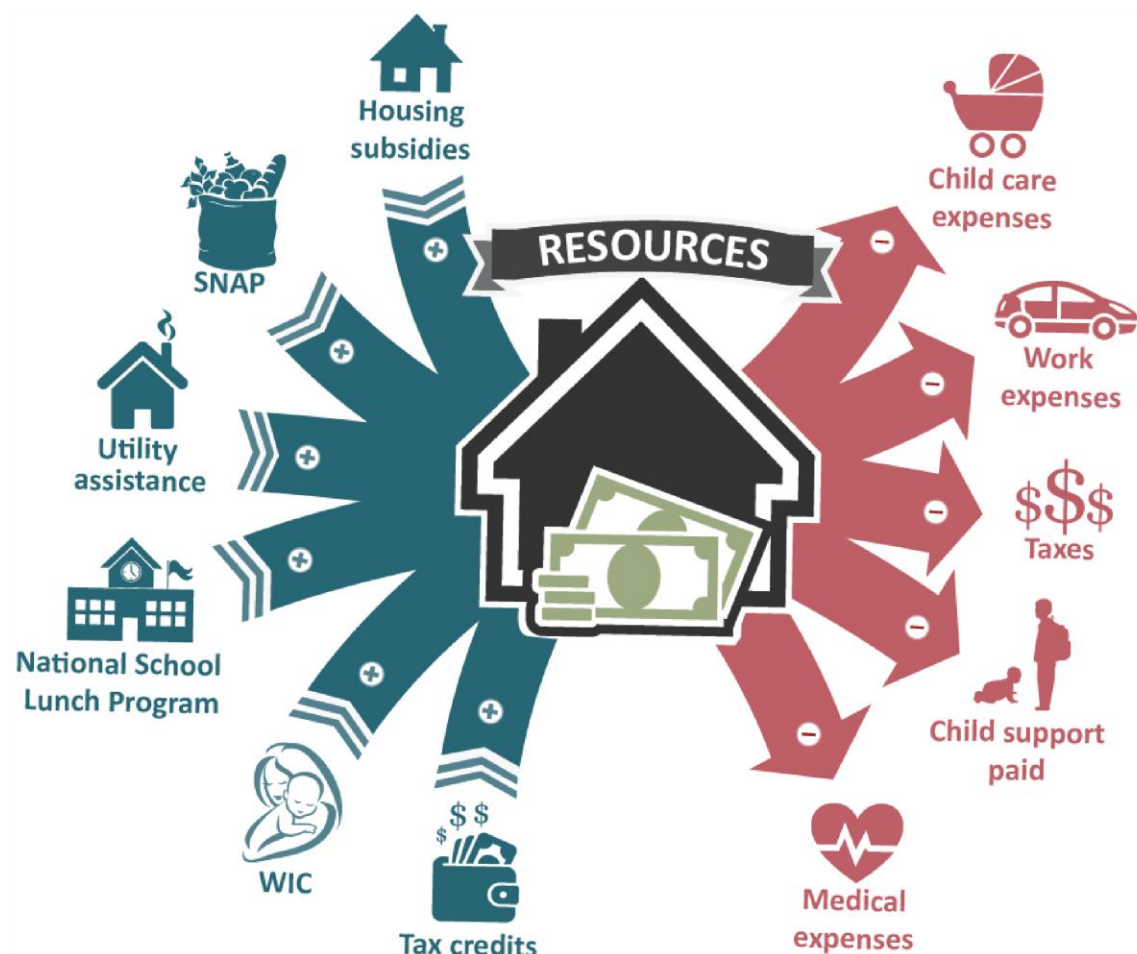
Child Poverty Reached a Historic Low in 2025



Poverty for Hispanic Individuals Fell to its Lowest Point in 2025

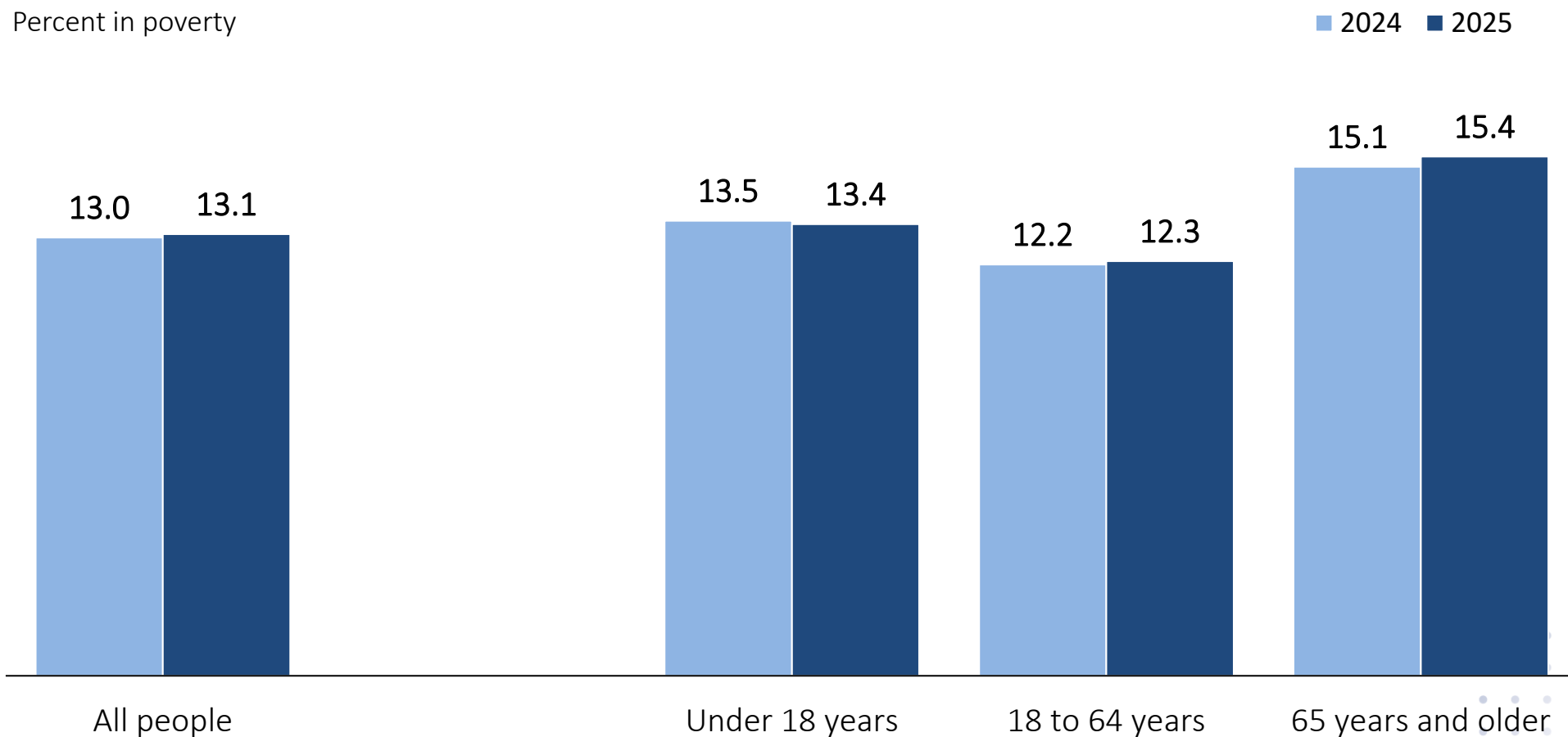


How Is the SPM Defined?

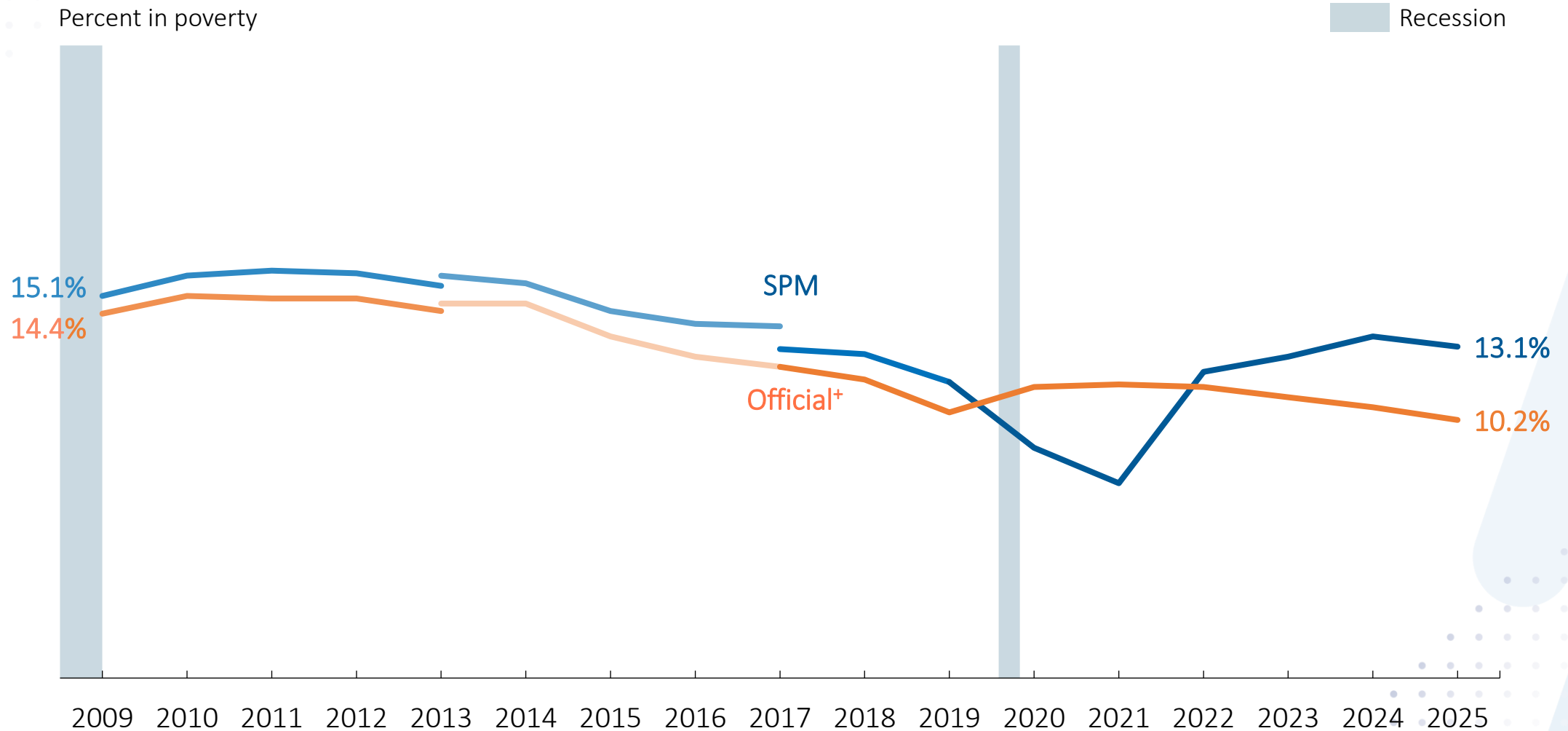


Threshold adjusted for family composition,
housing tenure, and geographic variation

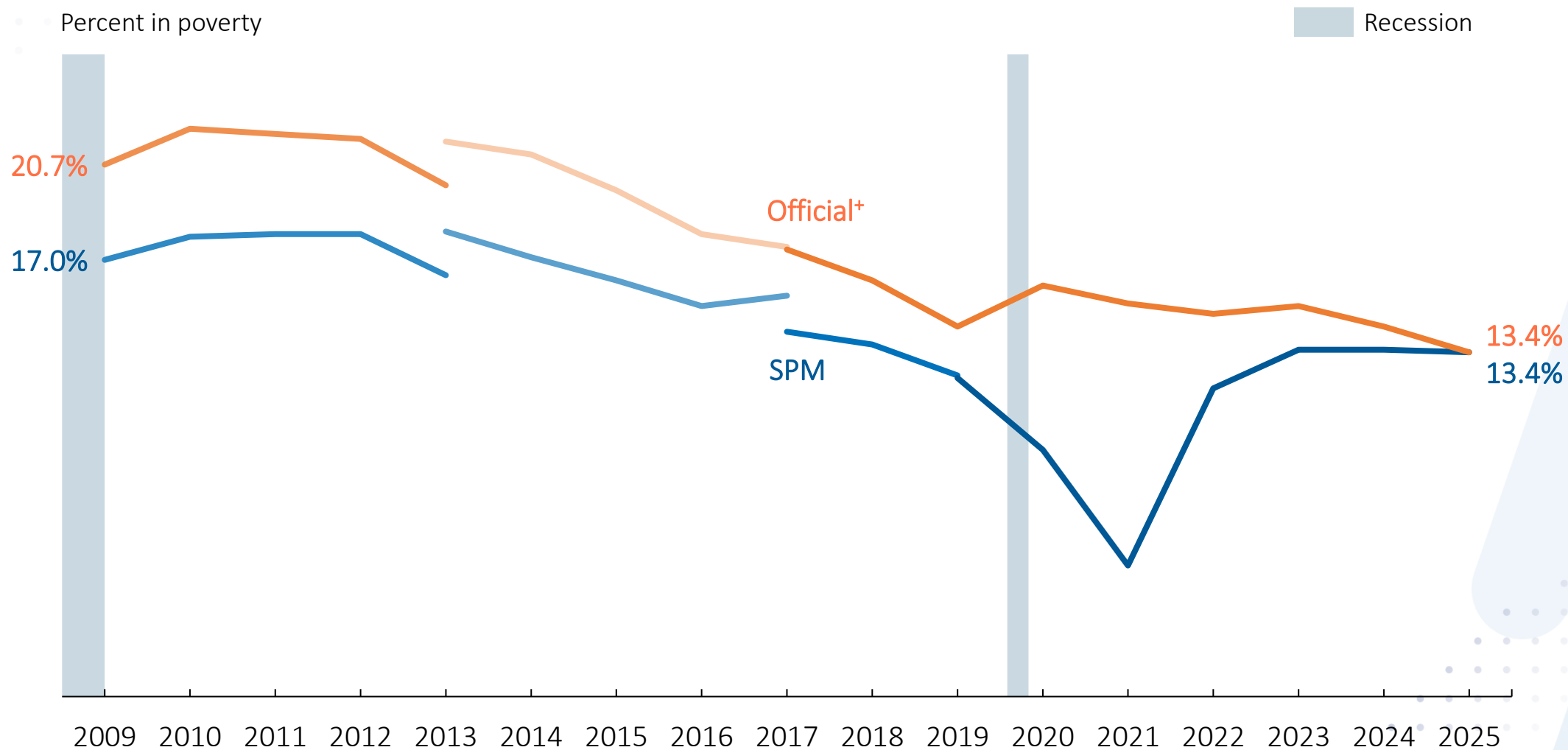
The SPM Rate Was Stable between 2024 and 2025



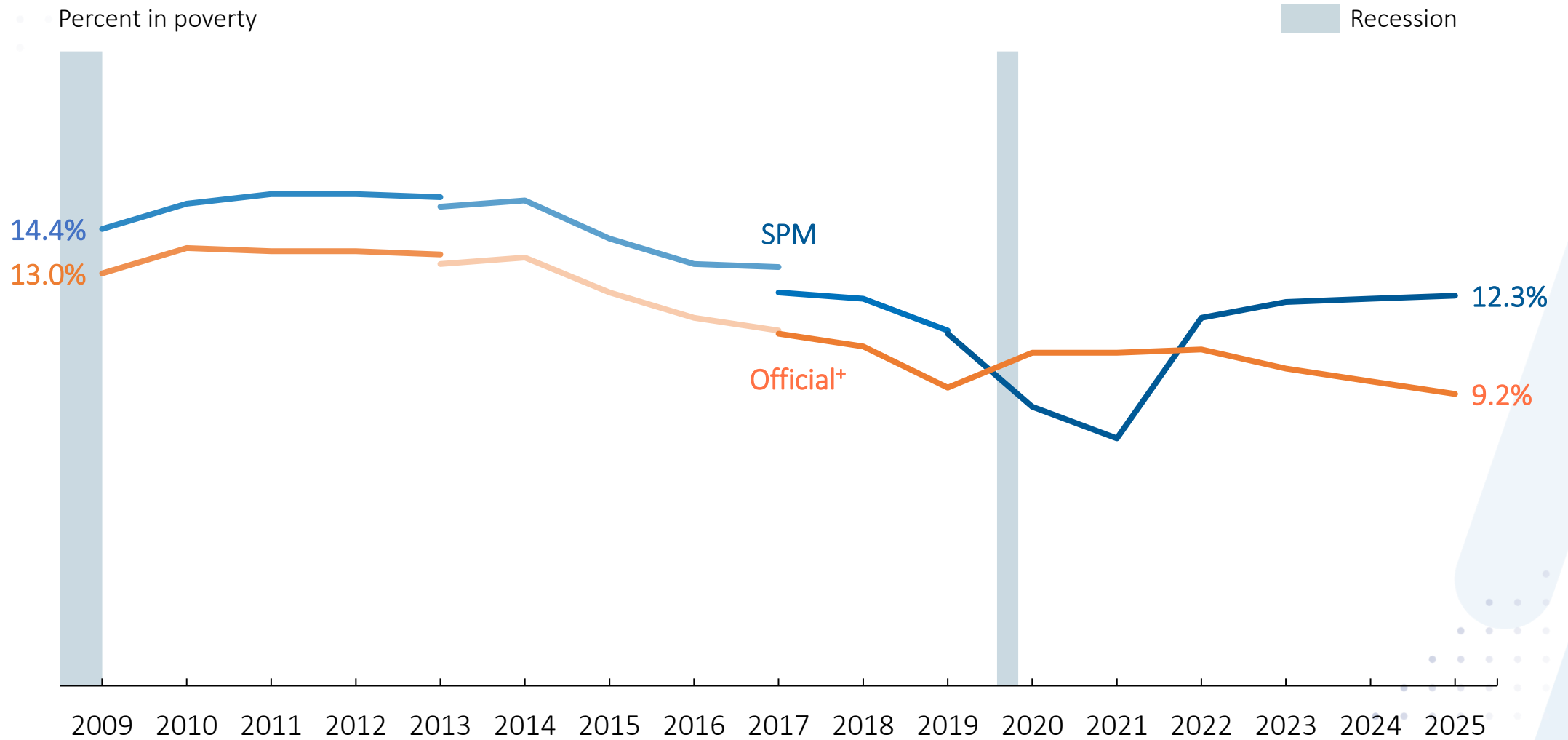
SPM Exceeds Official+ by Widest Margin Since 2022



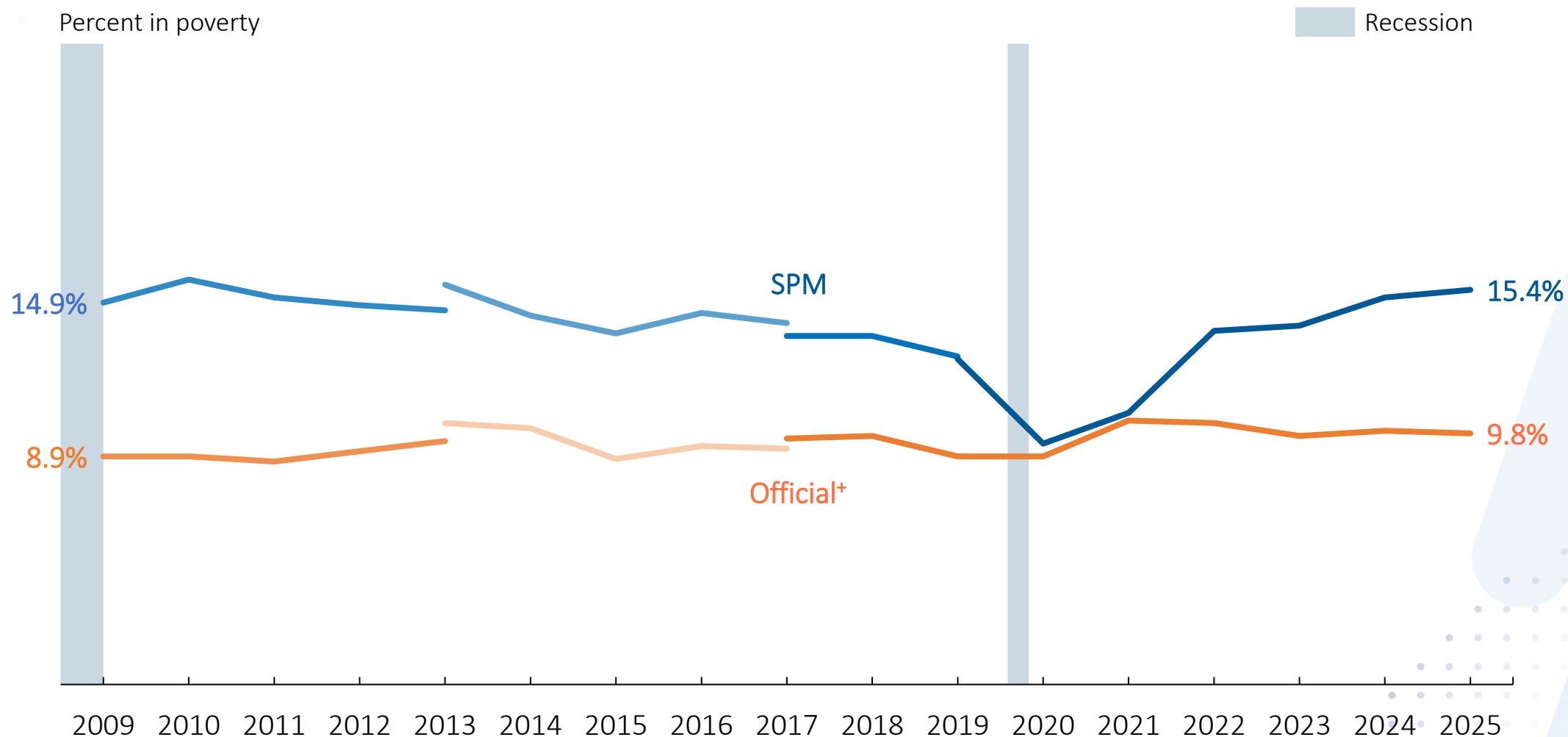
The SPM and Official+ Child Poverty Rates Converged in 2025



Adults Age 18-64: Growing Divergence Since 2022

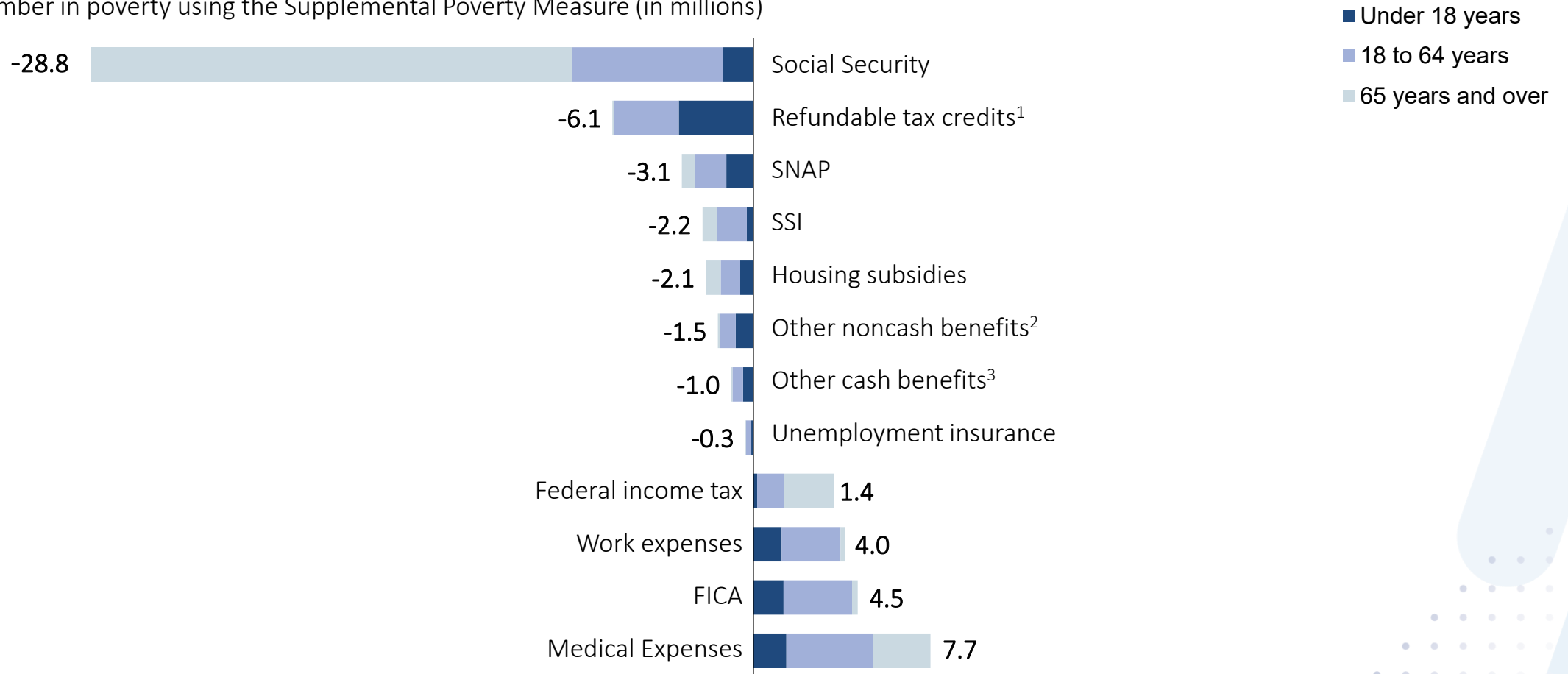


Largest Difference between SPM and Official⁺ in 2025 Is for Individuals 65 Years and Older



Social Security and Refundable Tax Credits are Key Programs

Number in poverty using the Supplemental Poverty Measure (in millions)



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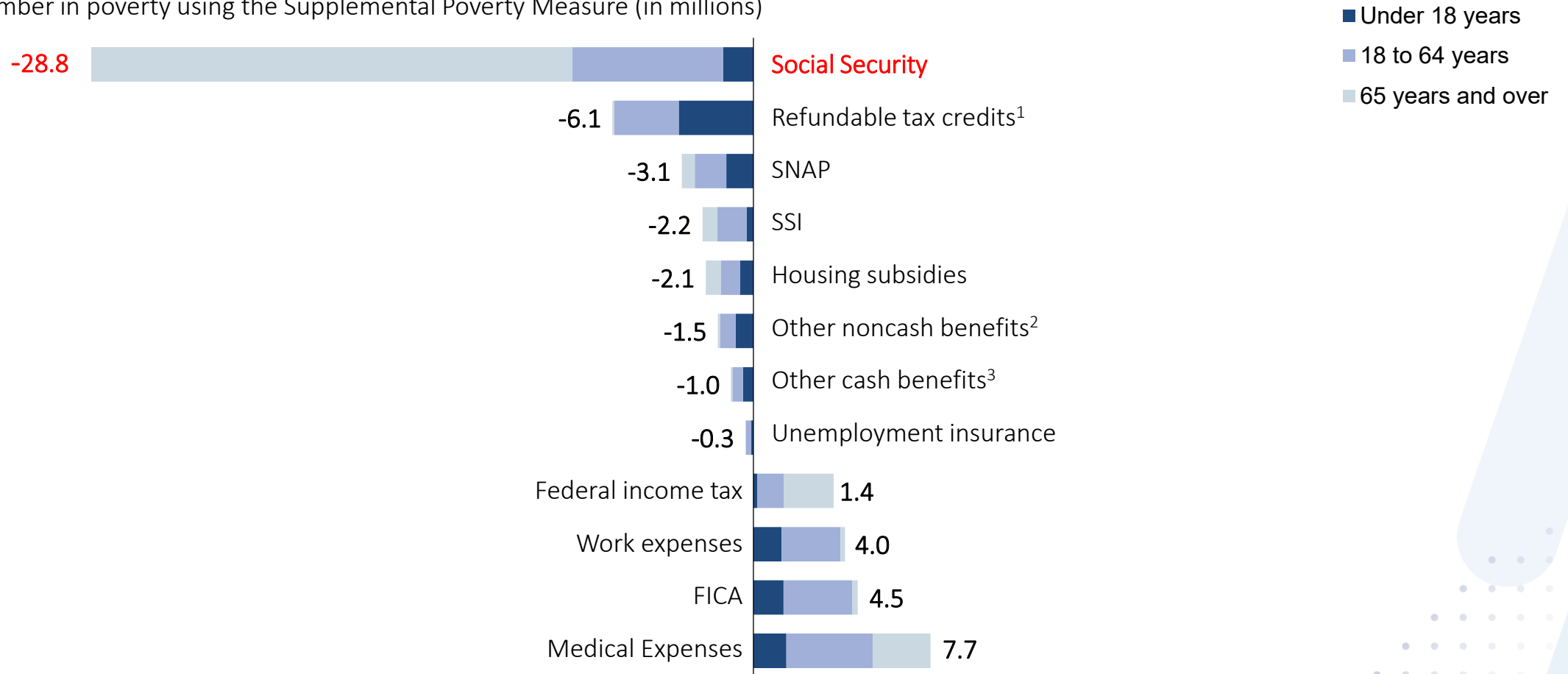
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Note: Population as of March of the following year. SNAP - Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program; SSI - Supplemental Security Income; FICA - Federal Insurance Contributions Act.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Current Population Survey, 2026 Annual Social and Economic Supplement (CPS ASEC), Table 6.

Social Security Removed the Most People from Poverty

Number in poverty using the Supplemental Poverty Measure (in millions)



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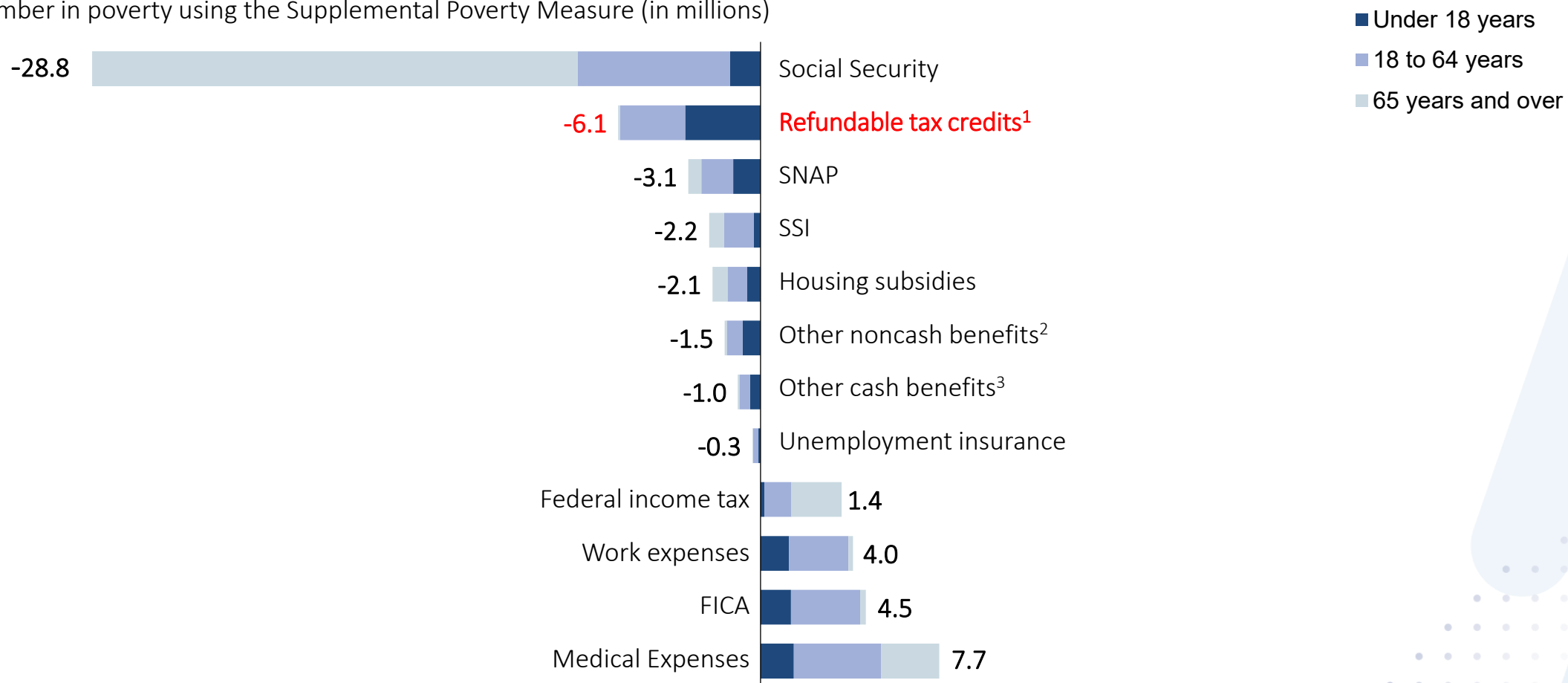
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Refundable Tax Credits Removed 6.1 Million from Poverty

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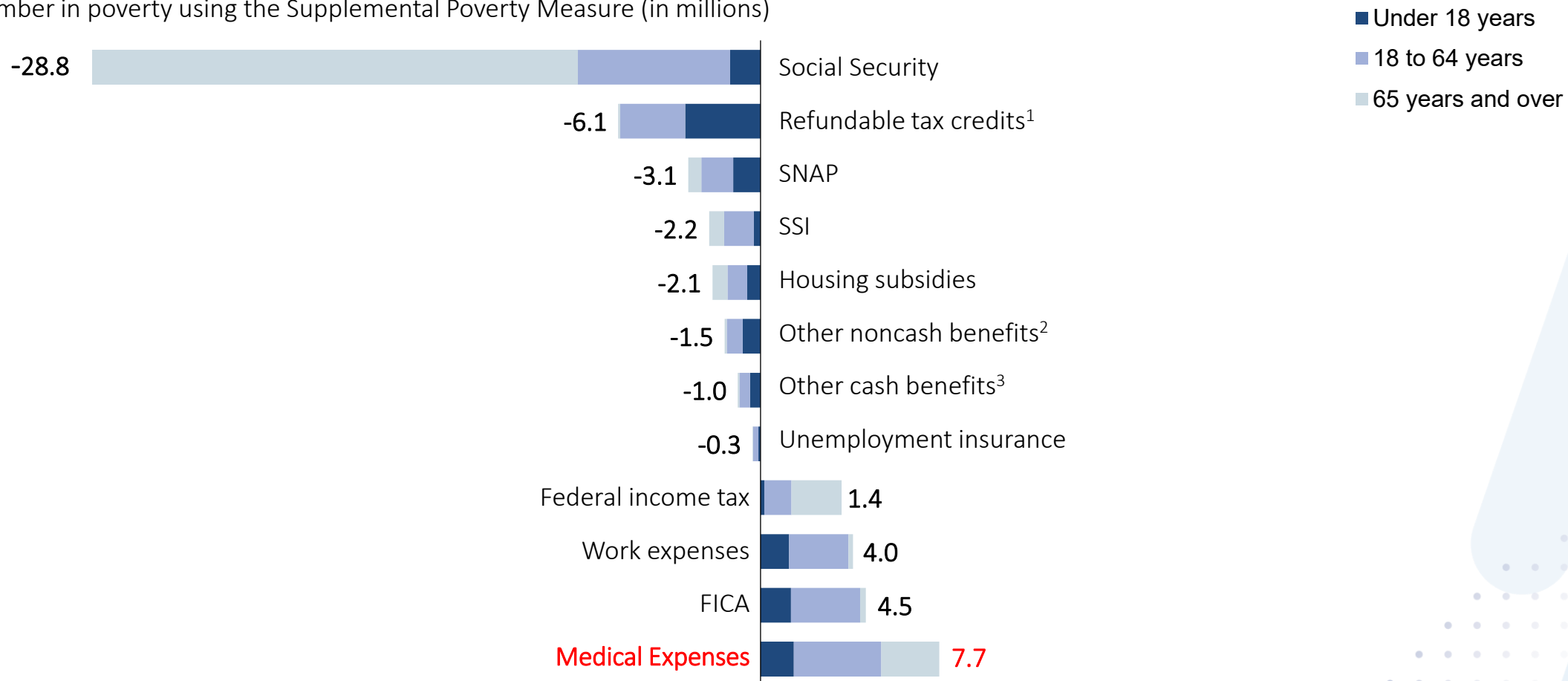
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Medical Expenses Moved 7.7 Million into Poverty

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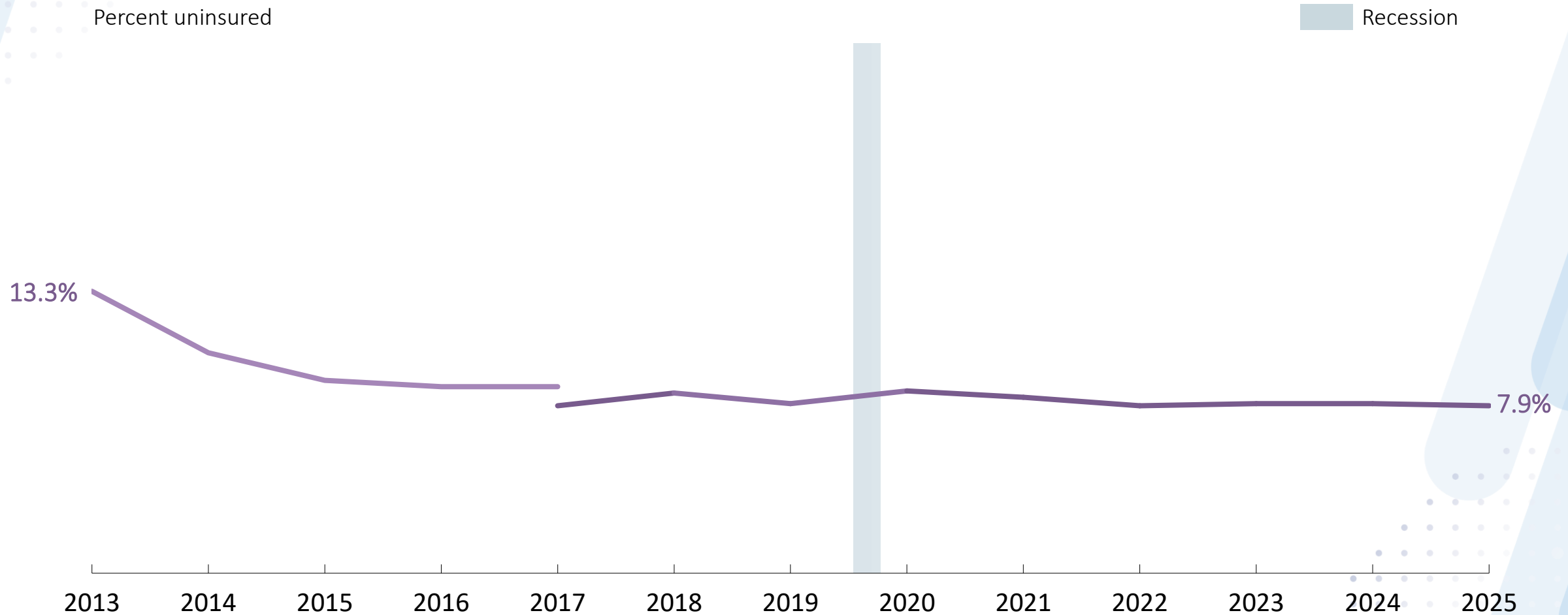
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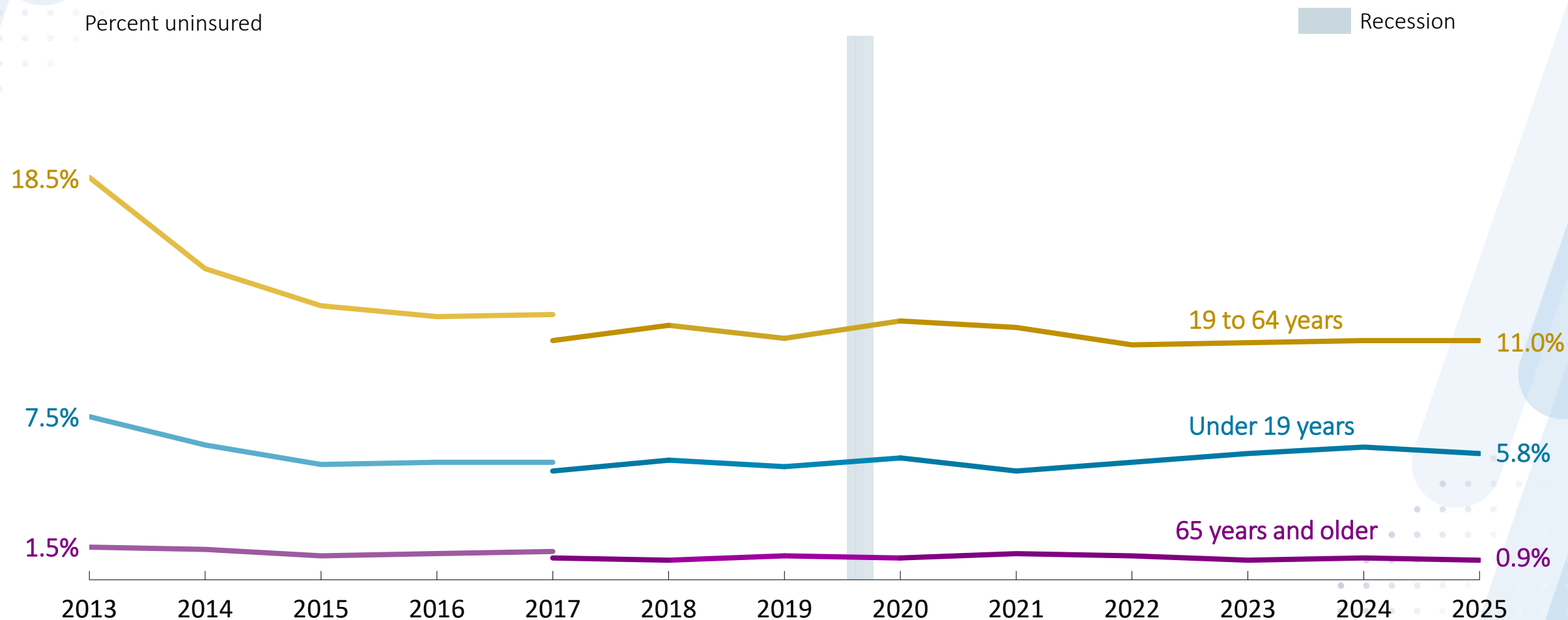
2025 Highlights

- In 2025, the uninsured rate was 7.9 percent.
- Medicare coverage increased 0.6 percentage points while Medicaid coverage decreased 0.5 percentage points.

Uninsured Rate Was Stable Between 2024 and 2025



Adults Ages 19 to 64 Had the Highest Uninsured Rate in 2025

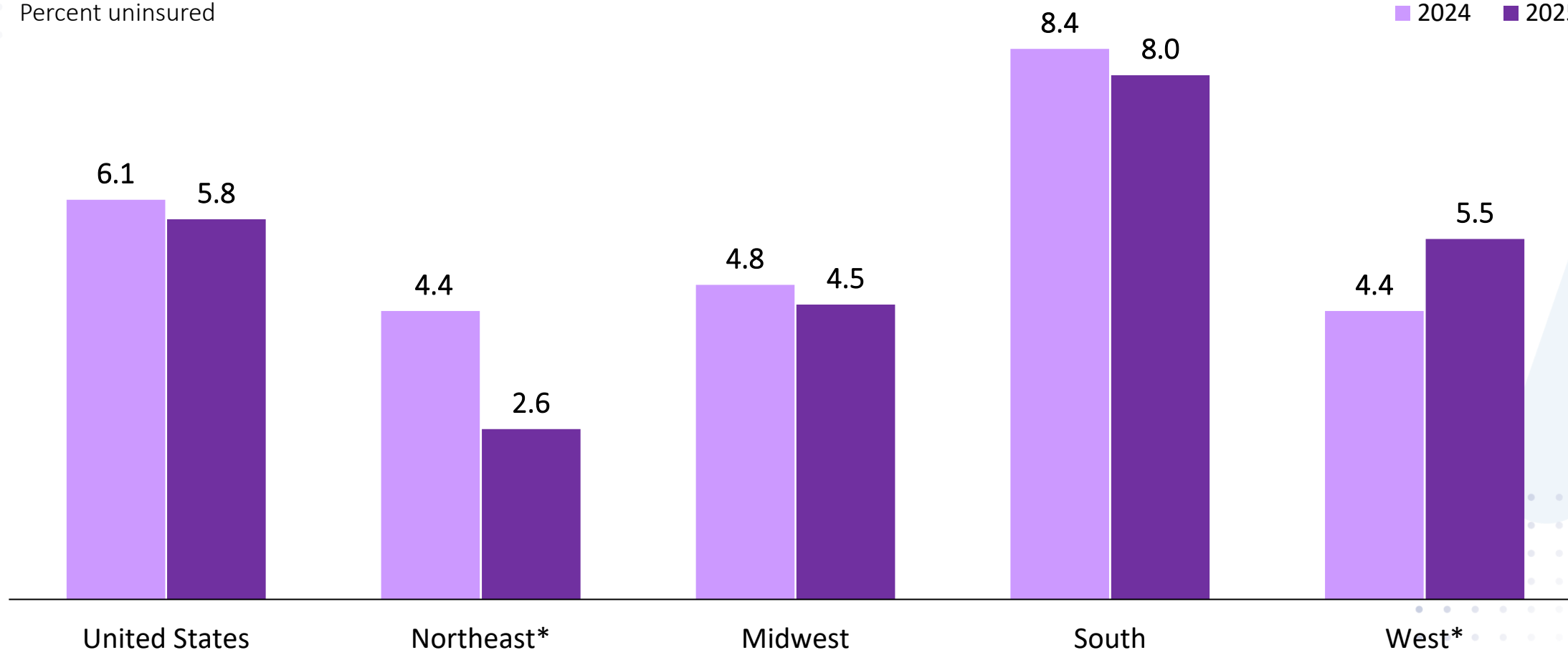


Note: Population as of March of the following year. People are considered uninsured if they did not hold any insurance for the entire calendar year. Refer to Figure 7 in the report for historical footnotes.
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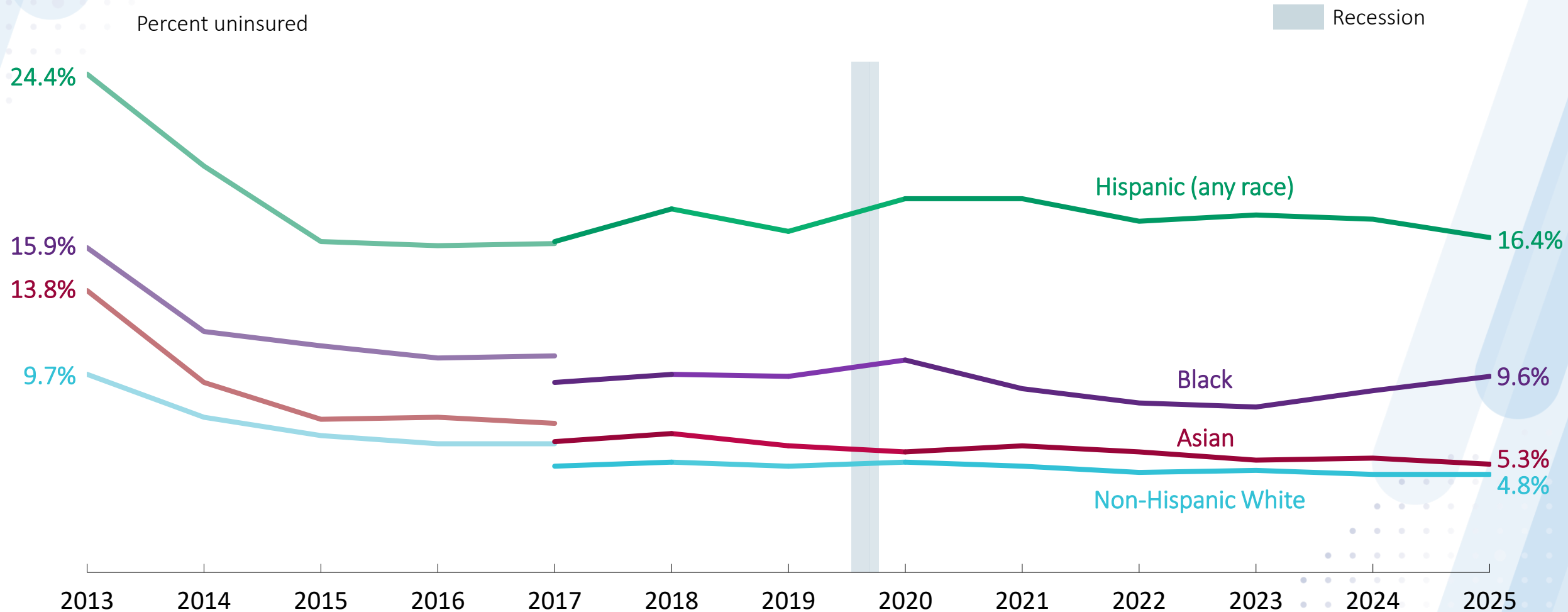
Uninsured Rates for Children Under Age 19 Increased in the West and Decreased in the Northeast in 2025

Percent uninsured

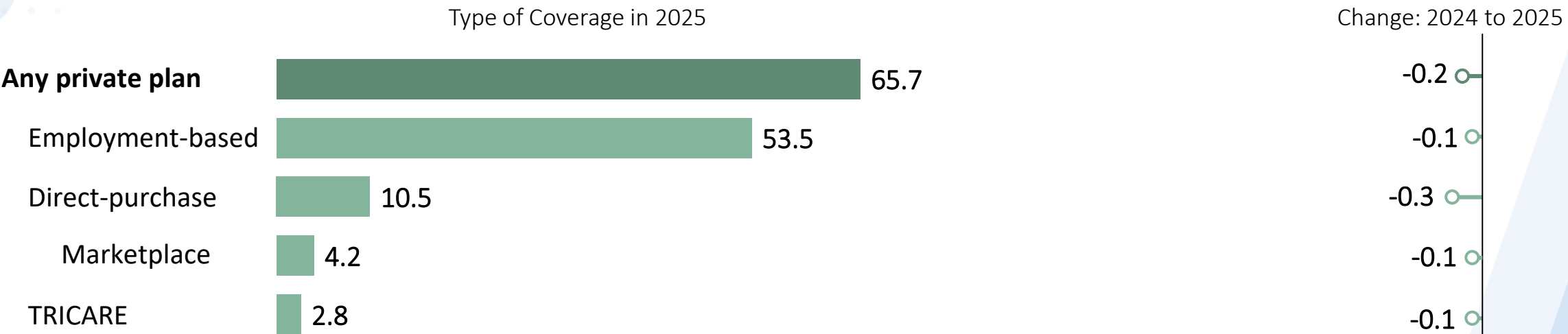
2024 2025



Hispanic Individuals Had the Highest Uninsured Rate in 2025



Employment-based Coverage Was the Most Common Subtype of Health Insurance in 2025

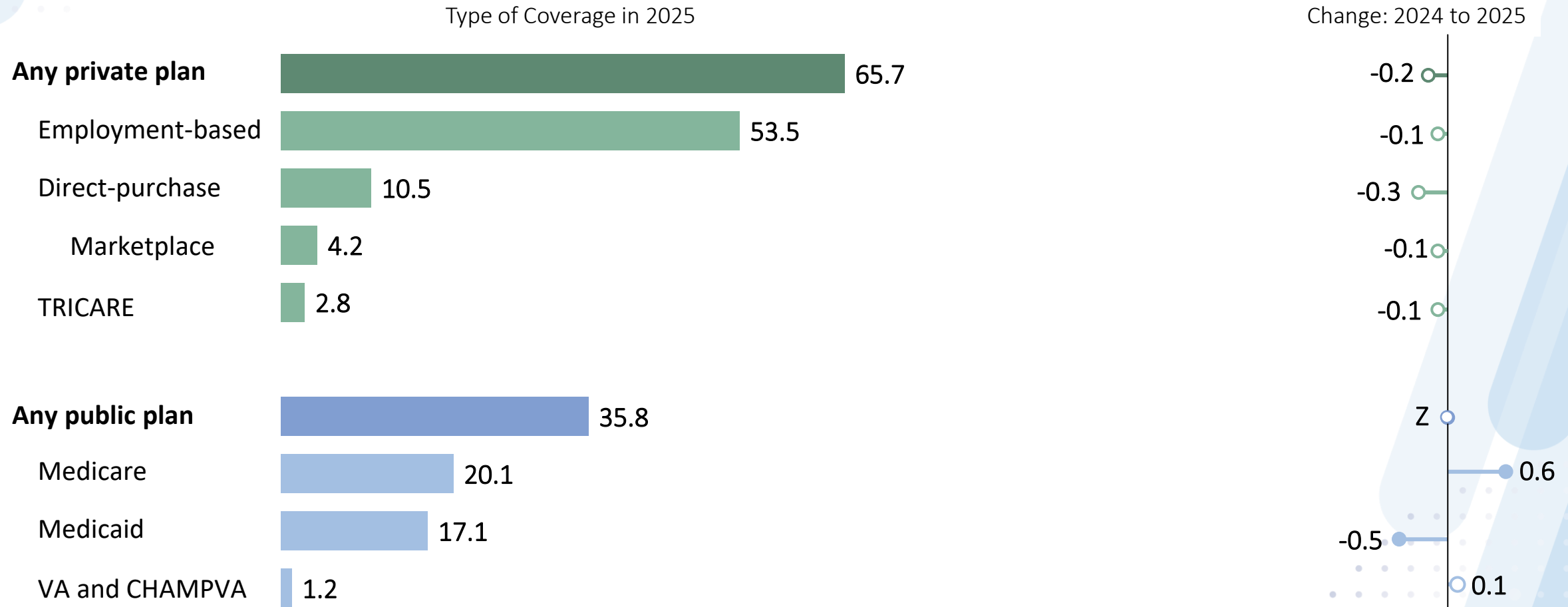


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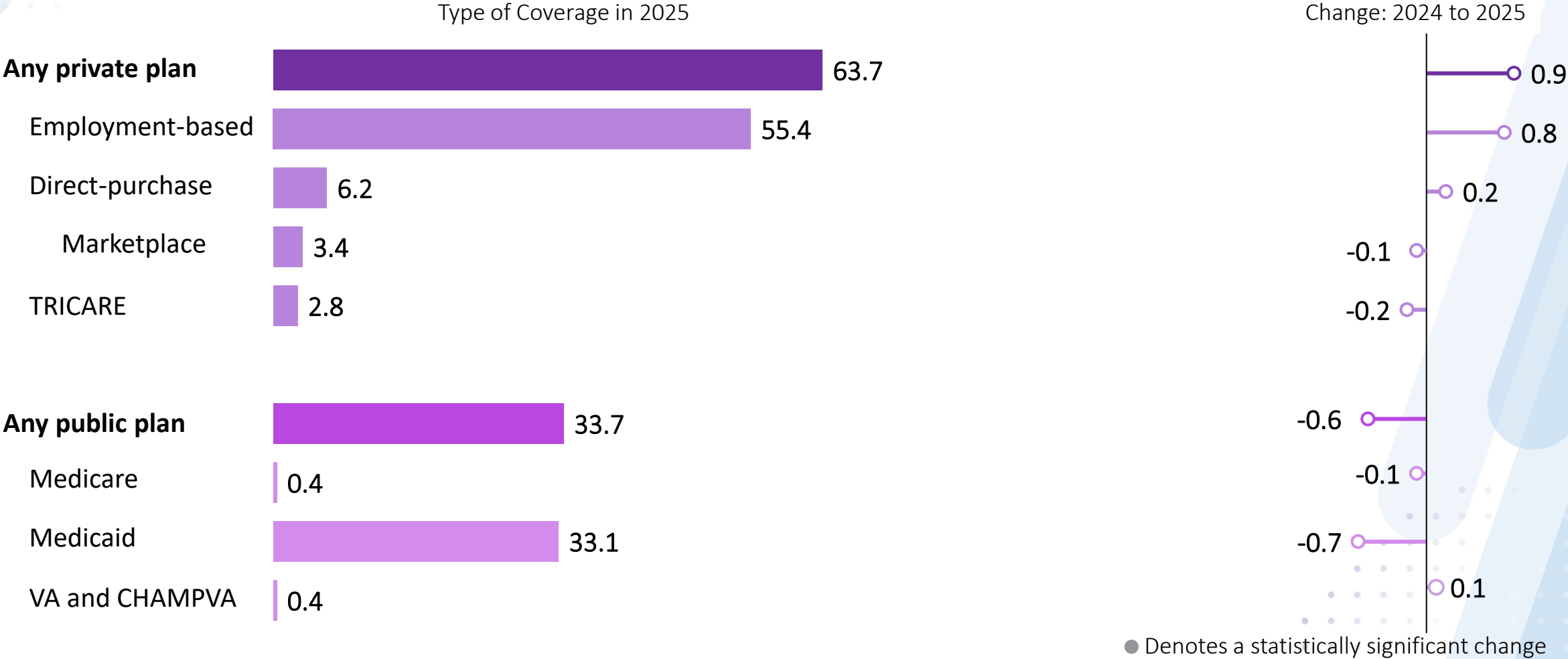
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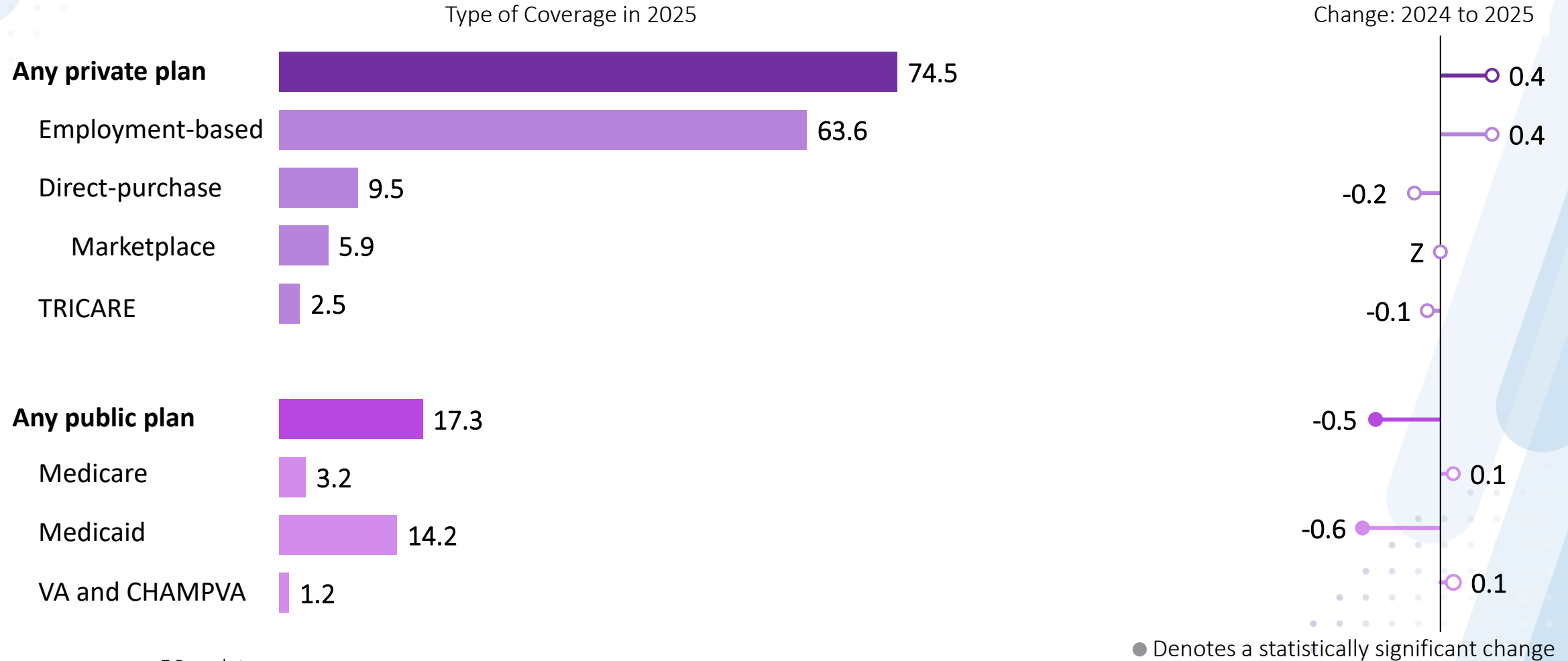
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No Significant Changes in Health Insurance Coverage for Children Under Age 19



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Medicaid Coverage Decreased for Adults Ages 19 to 64

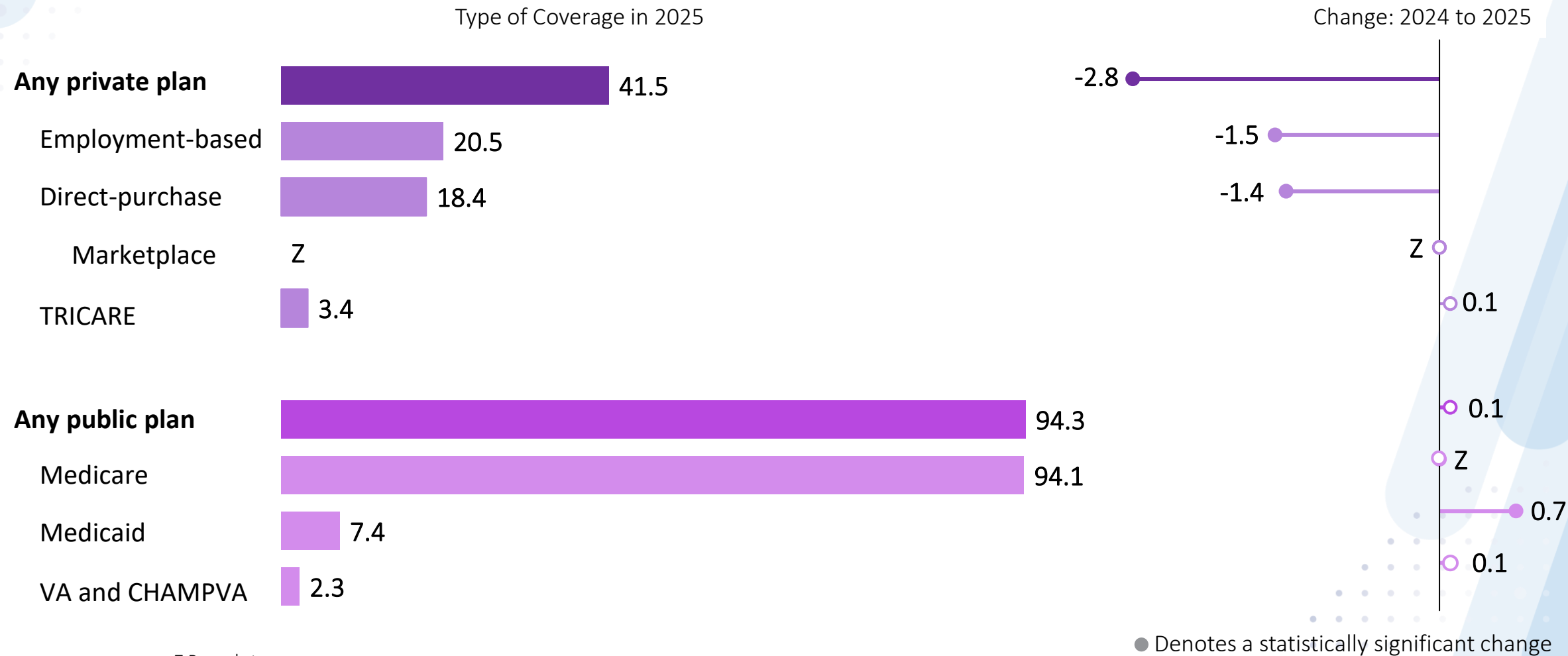


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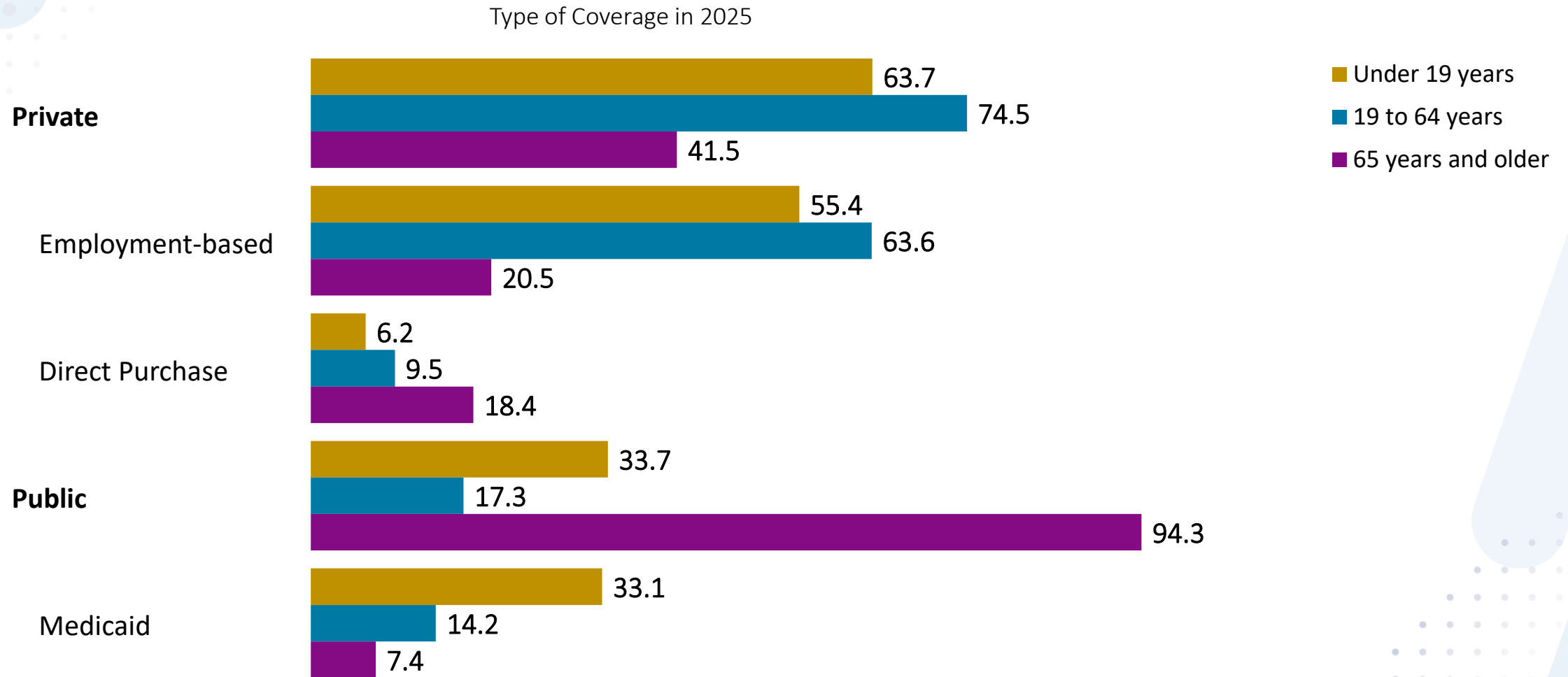
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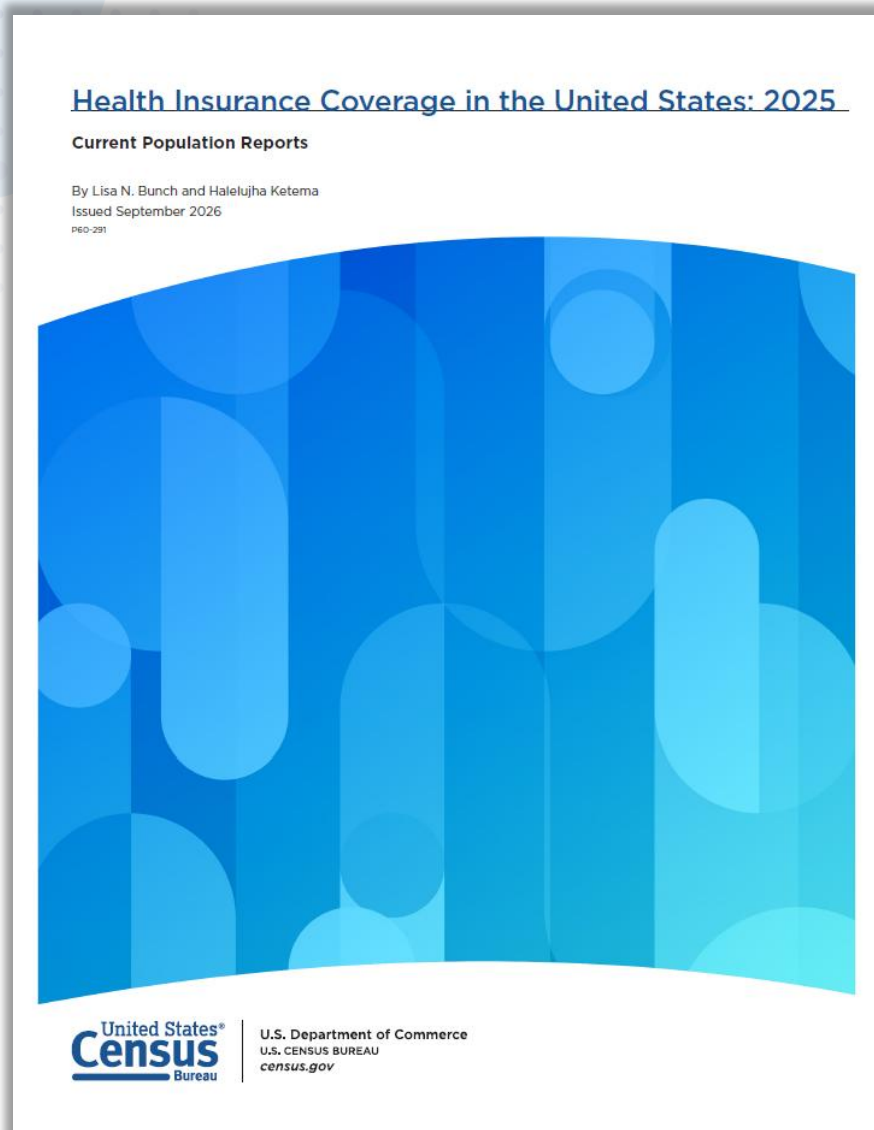
Decrease in Private Coverage and Increase in Medicaid Coverage for Adults Age 65 and Older



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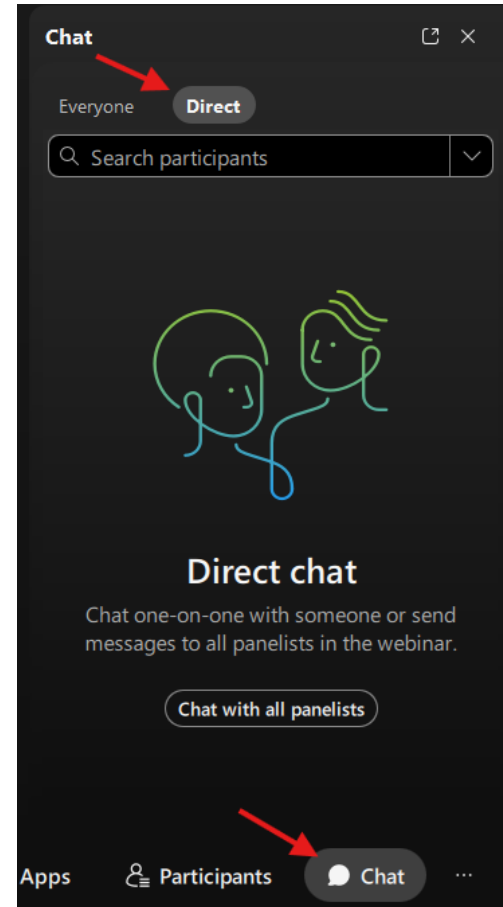
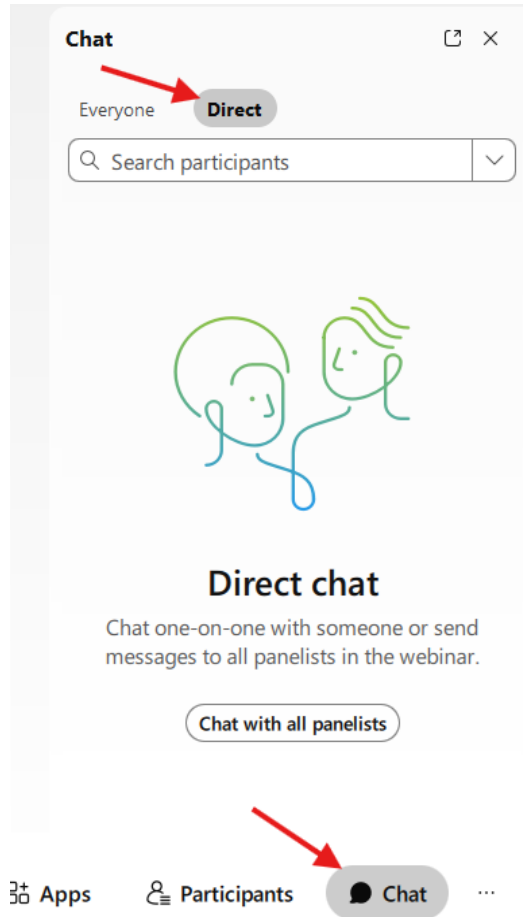
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Hispanic Poverty Rate Reached Historic Low in 2025

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The Hispanic population's poverty rate fell to 13.9%, down 1.2 percentage points from 2024 — still disproportionately high despite being the lowest on record.



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