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The Community Research Institute (CRI) provides innovative applied research to West Michigan communities. It empowers communities with quality research and data, it generates information that will improve their decision-making process, it forecasts trends for effective problem solving, it measures results and reports outcomes of investments in community change.

CRI gathers, analyzes, interprets and shares national and local data through partnerships with nonprofit and neighborhood groups, and assists local and regional nonprofit leaders with decision making, grant writing, and program evaluation. This is research that makes a difference through a distinctly valuable blend of university rigor and community relevance.

## **About this Project**

The annual Greater Grand Rapids Community Survey is a powerful tool for understanding the needs of Kent County residents. The driving philosophy behind the questionnaire is that citizen well-being can be measured by the extent to which their basic needs are met. The core questions of the survey relate to areas such as education, employment, housing and health. All core questions are asked on an annual basis. This design yields measurements for many different time periods and records patterns of change for longitudinal analysis.

It is our hope that when the survey results are provided to the community, local human service providers will use the results to make informed decisions that will strengthen community. Specific ways survey results can be used by local agencies include:

- Monitor trends and identify emerging community problems
- Characterize disparities across sub populations/communities
- Establish priorities and plan programs
- Evaluate progress in meeting community goals
- Disseminate information to engage community and and policymakers
- Support grant applications and other funding opportunities

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## **Methodology:**

The 2006 Greater Grand Rapids Community Survey is a collaborative effort between the Community Research Institute at the Johnson Center for Philanthropy, The Delta Strategy, Heart of West Michigan United Way, and the Doug and Maria DeVos Foundation. The purpose of this year's survey is to assess citizen opinions, perceptions and behaviors relating to civic engagement, basic needs, health, education, and religion in the Greater Grand Rapids Area (Kent County).

### **Sampling/Population:**

Respondents were telephoned in May and June 2006 by Precision Research (Phoenix, AZ) and asked to participate in the survey. Time to complete the survey was estimated at 16 minutes. No identifying information was recorded other than demographic information.

This project includes surveys of 1351 adults, aged 18 and up. The calls were staggered to provide week day and week end sample representation. In addition, calls were made during different times of the day so that a proper representation was collected for when respondents are at home. Each sample record was dialed 6 times before moving on to the next sample record. If a qualified respondent was reached on the 5th attempt but did not complete the survey, a 6th and 7th attempt were made. If a qualified respondent was reached on the 6th attempt but did not complete, a 7th and 8th attempt were made.

In order to increase our ability to generalize survey results to Kent County's population, this project involved oversampling of minorities. This approach necessitated the use of multiple sampling strategies. Calls were made using standard RDD procedures until the projects Caucasian quota was met (500 households). During these calls, interviews were be randomized within each household using the birthday rule.

To meet the project's African American quota, an RDD sample was drawn for census tracts with more than a 20% African American population. To meet the Hispanic quota, census tracts with more than a 20% Hispanic population were RDD sampled. In addition, a list was purchased from a list house based on Hispanic surnames. Respondents had the option of taking the survey in Spanish.

Data in this report has been weighted by race so that results can be more accurately generalized to Kent County's population.

**Margin of Error:** The margin of error for the overall sample is +/- 2.7%. Subgroup responses will have a larger margin of error, depending on the size of the group.

## Respondent Profile: 1351 Individuals

Age	
18 to 24	9.8%
25 to 44	35.8%
45 to 59	27.8%
60 to 69	11.5%
70 to 79	7.9%
80 or older	3.6%
Don't know/Refused	3.6%

Gender	
Male	33.8%
Female	66.2%

Race	
White or Caucasian	37.0%
Black or African American	25.7%
Asian or Pacific Islander	1.6%
American Indian or Native American	2.0%
Multi-racial	7.9%
Hispanic	25.8%

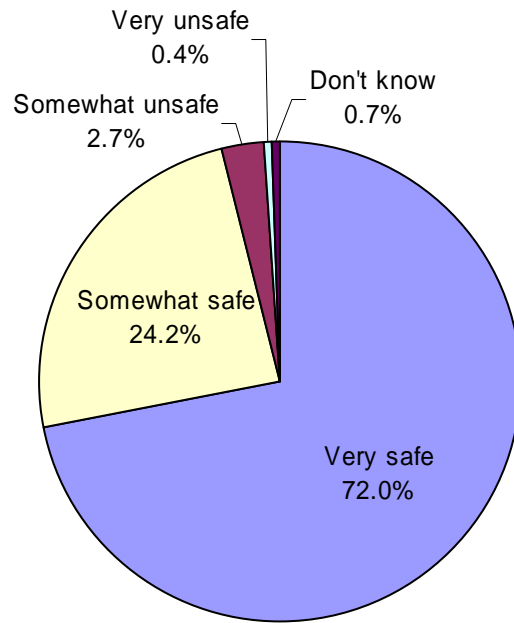
Household Income	
Less than \$10,000	9.3%
\$10,000 to less than \$15,000	8.1%
\$15,000 to less than \$25,000	11.3%
\$25,000 to less than \$35,000	9.4%
\$35,000 to less than \$50,000	9.5%
\$50,000 to less than \$75,000	9.3%
\$75,000 to less than \$100,000	5.7%
\$100,000 or more	4.6%
Don't Know/Refused	32.8%

Housing Tenure: Own or Rents Home	
Own	64.5%
Rent	28.6%
Neither	2.9%
Don't know/Refused	4.0%

Location: Resides in Urban, Suburban or Rural Kent County	
Urban	55.6%
Suburban	30.4%
Rural	11.0%

Parental Status: Has children age 18 or younger	
Has Children Age 18 or Younger	36.9%
Has Children Age 5 or Younger	16.2%

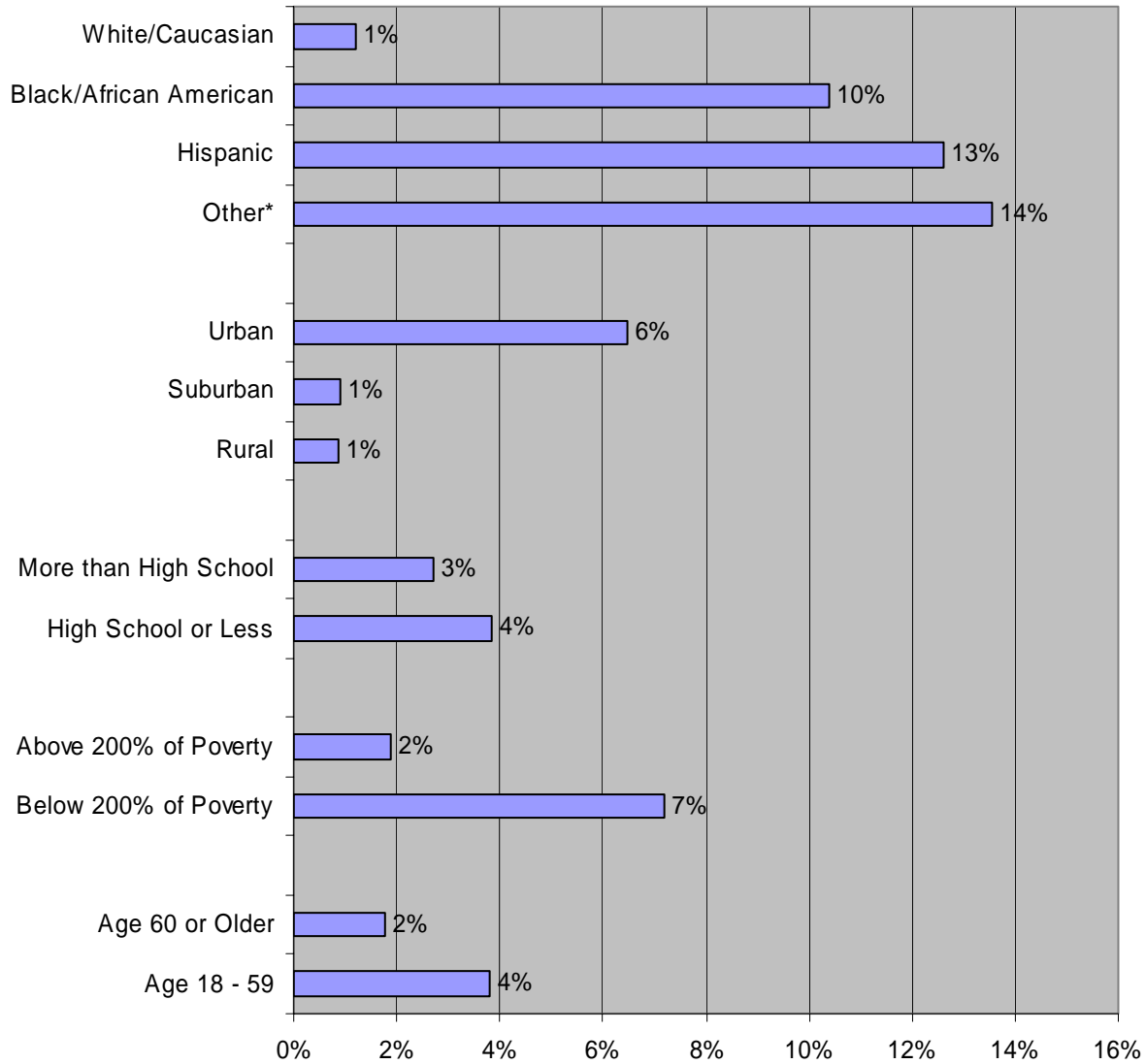
**Question: How safe do you feel in your neighborhood?  
Kent County 2006**



**Supporting Data**

	Unweighted Count	Weighted Count	Weighted %
Very Safe	787	972.5	72.0
Somewhat Safe	444	326.8	24.2
Somewhat Unsafe	87	36.0	2.7
Very Unsafe	20	5.6	0.4
Don't Know/Refused	13	9.2	0.7
Total	1351	1350.1	100.0

**By Selected Demographics: Percent who feel  
'Unsafe' or 'Very Unsafe' in their neighborhood  
Kent Count 2005/2006**

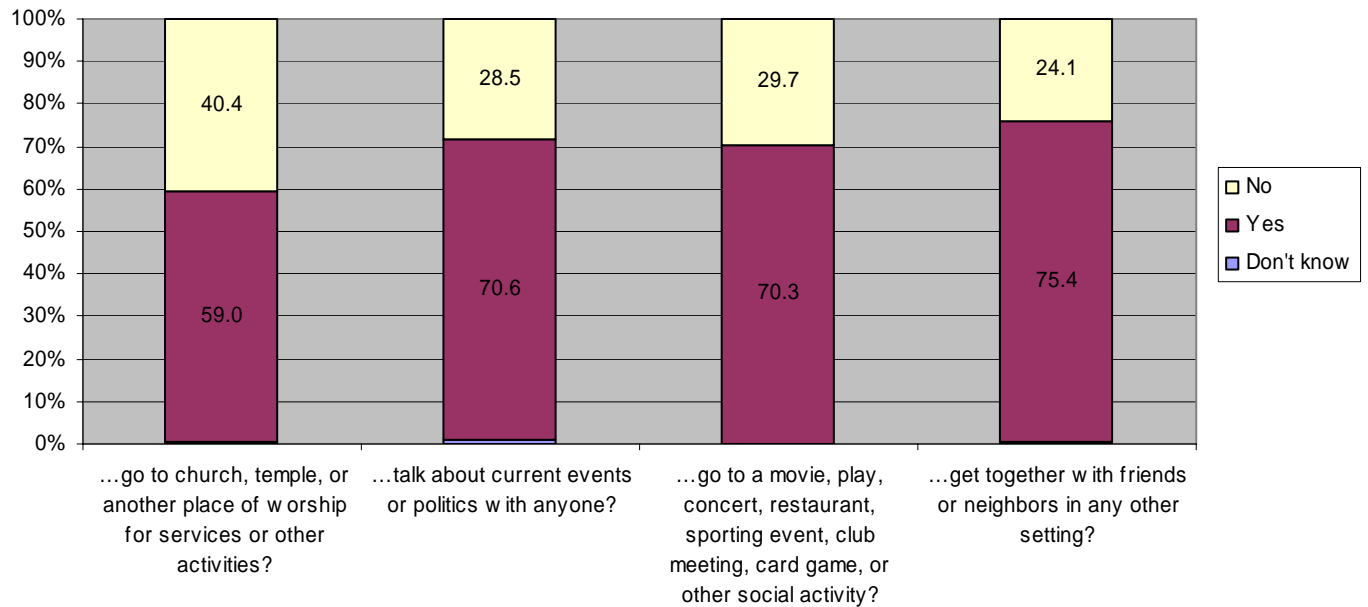


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## ENGAGEMENT INDEX

### Question: During the past week did you...? Kent County 2006



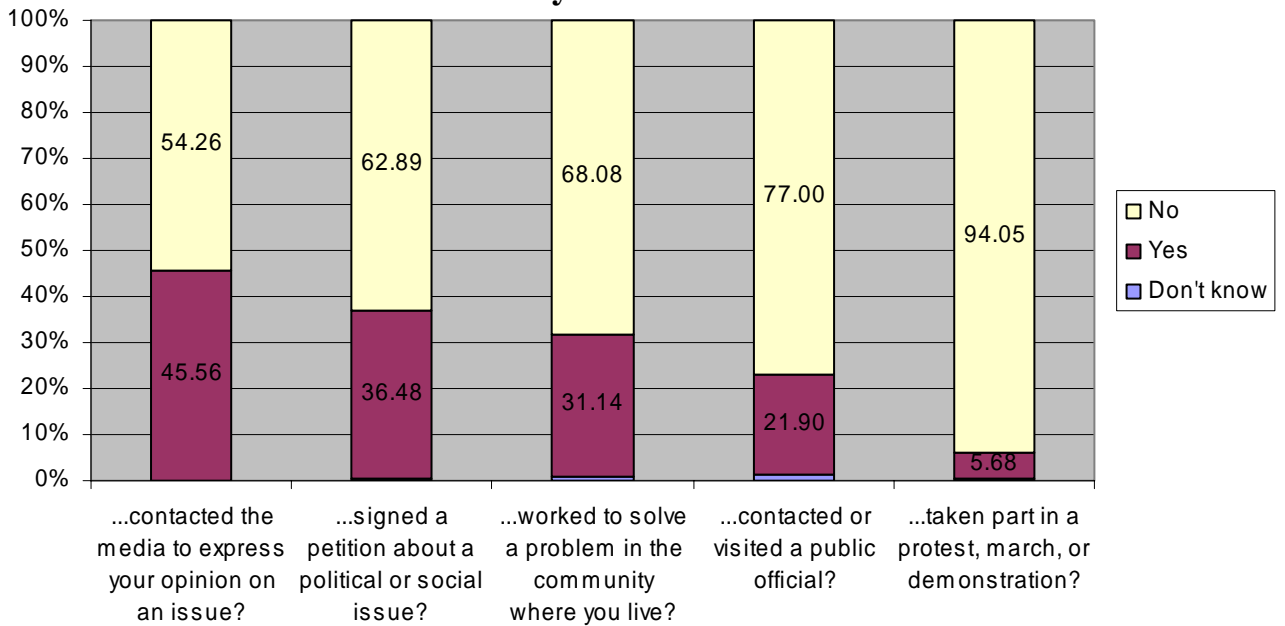
### Supporting Data

...church temple, or another place of worship			
	Unweighted Count	Weighted Count	Weighted %
Yes	764	796.8	59.0
No	581	545.0	40.4
Don't Know/Refused	6	8.2	0.6
<b>Total</b>	<b>1351</b>	<b>1350.1</b>	<b>100.0</b>
...talk about current events or politics with anyone			
	Unweighted Count	Weighted Count	Weighted %
Yes	815	953.3	70.6
No	528	385.0	28.5
Don't Know/Refused	8	11.8	0.9
<b>Total</b>	<b>1351</b>	<b>1350.1</b>	<b>100.0</b>
...go to a movie, play, concert, restaurant, sporting event, etc...			
	Unweighted Count	Weighted Count	Weighted %
Yes	847	949.3	70.3
No	502	400.4	29.7
Don't Know/Refused	2	0.3	0.0
<b>Total</b>	<b>1351</b>	<b>1350.1</b>	<b>100.0</b>
...get together with friends or neighbors			
	Unweighted Count	Weighted Count	Weighted %
Yes	986	1018.5	75.4
No	358	325.9	24.1
Don't Know/Refused	7	5.6	0.4
<b>Total</b>	<b>1351</b>	<b>1350.1</b>	<b>100.0</b>

## POLITICAL VOICE INDEX

**Question: In the past 12 months have you...?**

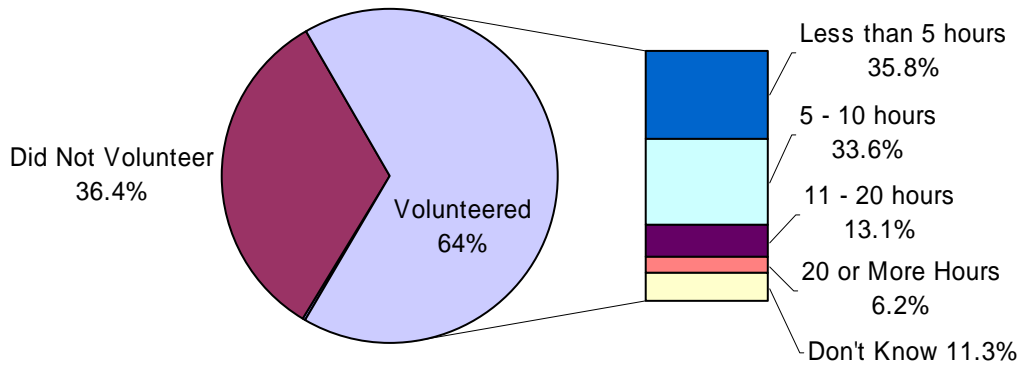
**Kent County 2005/2006**



### Supporting Data

...Contacted media				...signed petition			
	Unweighted Count	Weighted Count	Weighted %		Unweighted Count	Weighted Count	Weighted %
Yes	700	615.1	45.6	Yes	415	492.5	36.5
No	649	732.5	54.3	No	926	849.1	62.9
DK/Refused	2	2.5	0.2	DK/Refused	10	8.5	0.6
Total	1351	1350.1	100.0	Total	1351	1350.1	100.0
...worked to solve problem				...contacted public official			
	Unweighted Count	Weighted Count	Weighted %		Unweighted Count	Weighted Count	Weighted %
Yes	390	420.5	31.1	Yes	242	295.6	21.9
No	951	919.1	68.1	No	1098	1039.6	77.0
DK/Refused	10	10.5	0.8	DK/Refused	11	14.8	1.1
Total	1351	1350.1	100.0	Total	1351	1350.1	100.0
...taken part in a protest, march, or demonstration							
	Unweighted Count	Weighted Count	Weighted %				
Yes	154	76.7	5.7				
No	1194	1269.7	94.0				
DK/Refused	3	3.6	0.3				
Total	1351	1350.1	100.0				

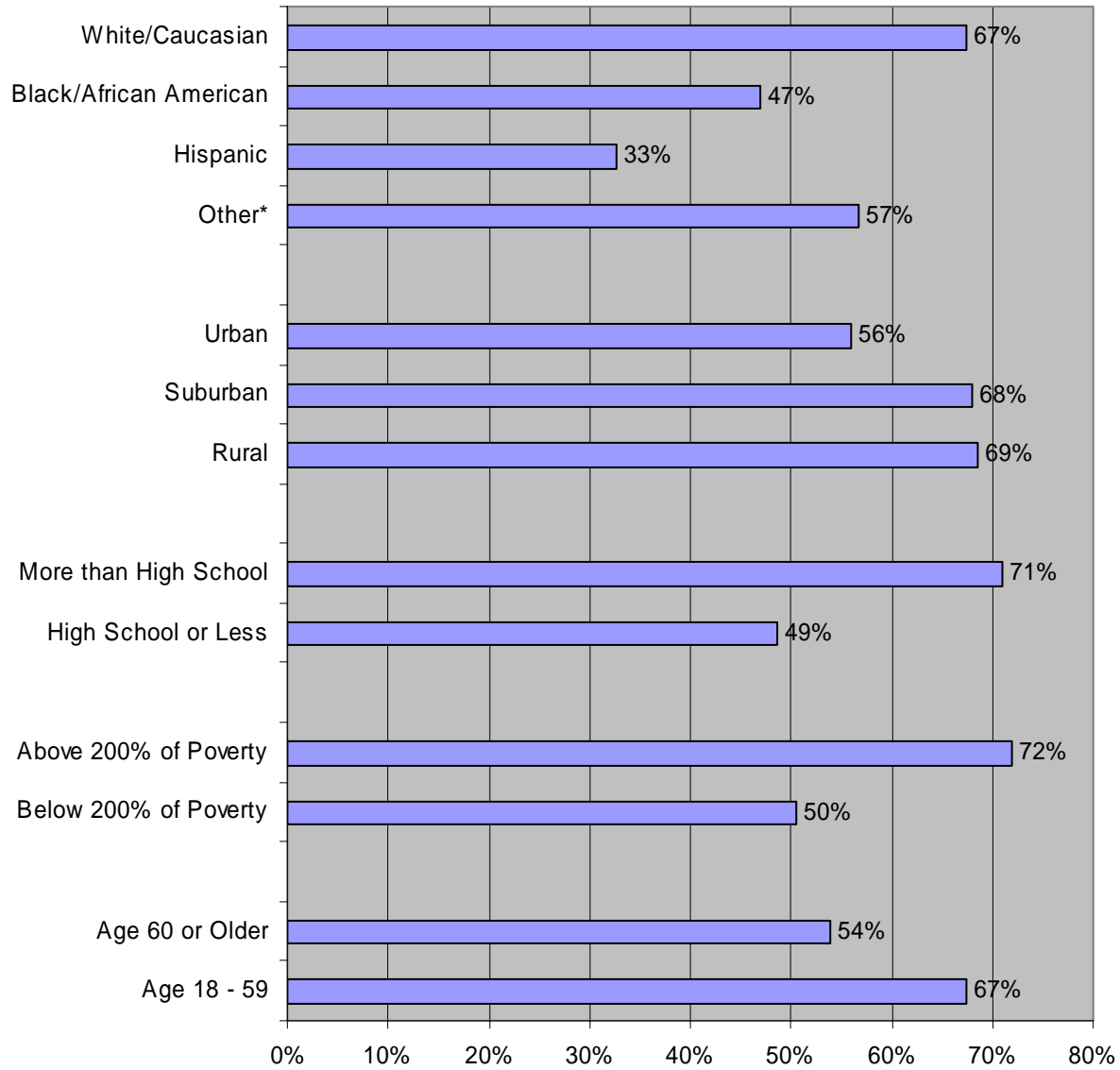
**Question: In the past 12 months have you done any volunteer work for a charitable organization for which you did not receive pay?  
IF YES...About how many hours in a typical month do your volunteering activities take up?  
Kent County 2005/2006**



**Supporting Data**

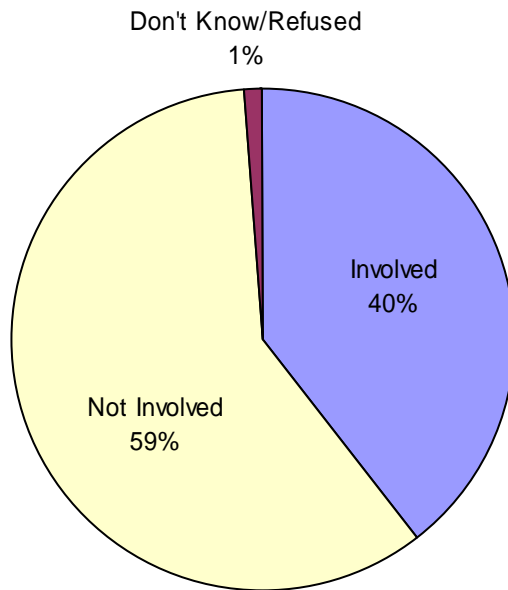
...have you done any volunteer work...			
	Unweighted Count	Weighted Count	Weighted %
Yes	702	855.1	63.3
No	643	491.4	36.4
Don't Know/Refused	6	3.5	0.3
Total	1351	1350.1	100.0
IF YES...about how many hours in a typical month...			
	Unweighted Count	Weighted Count	Weighted %
Less than 5 hours	228	306.2	35.8
5 - 10 hours	222	287.5	33.6
11 - 20 hours	102	112.3	13.1
21 - 40 hours	46	37.4	4.4
More than 40 hours	21	15.2	1.8
Don't Know	83	96.5	11.3
Total	702	855.1	100.0

**By Selected Demographics: Percent who have done volunteer work in the past year  
Kent County 2005/2006**



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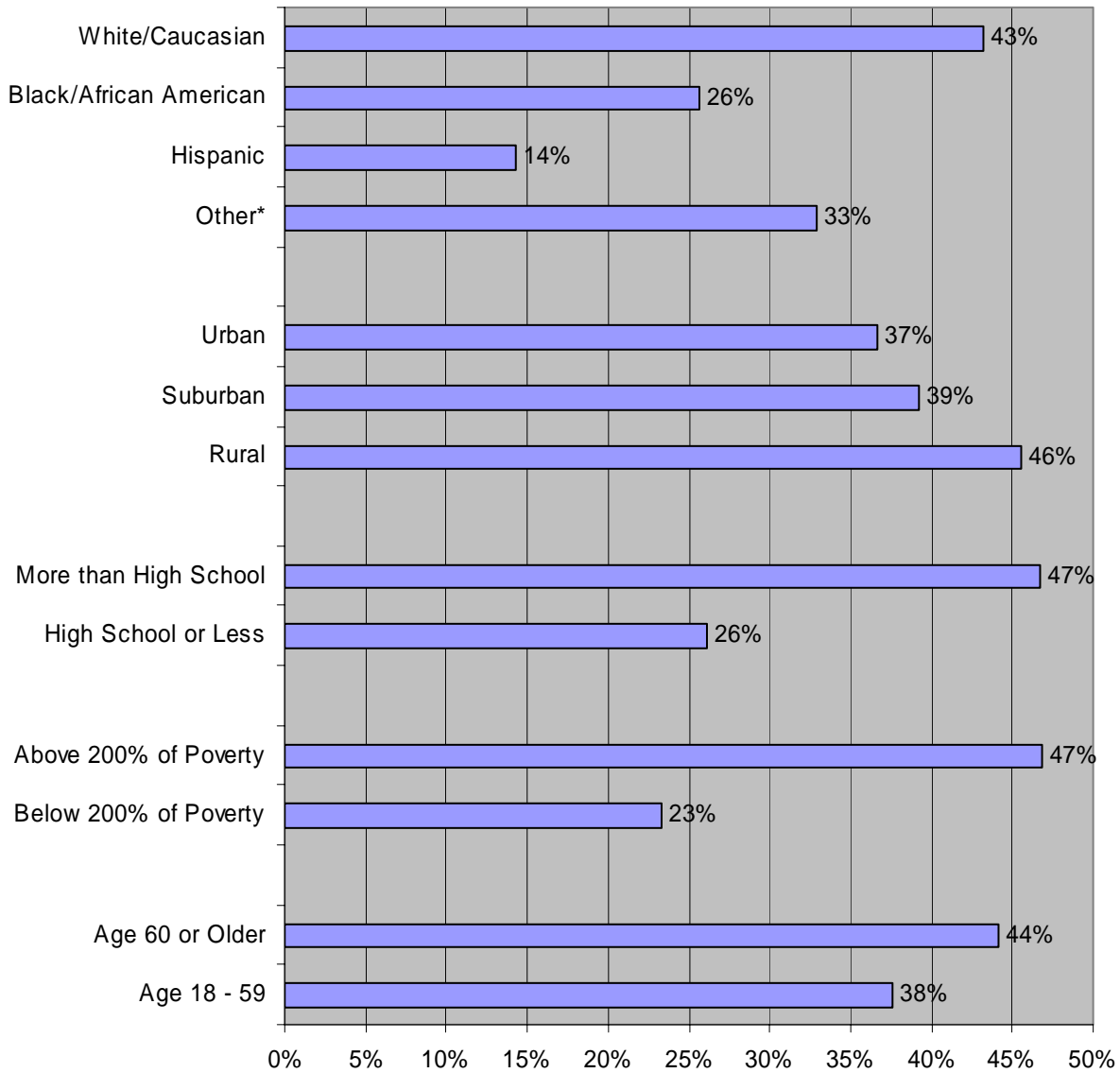
**Do you belong to or are you involved in any local groups, clubs or associations?  
Kent County 2006**



**Supporting Data**

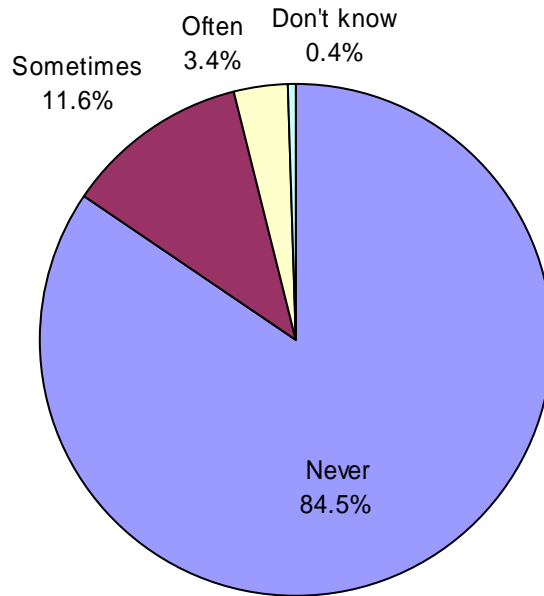
	Unweighted Count	Weighted Count	Weighted %
Yes	406	533.4	39.5
No	938	803.0	59.5
Don't Know/Refused	7	13.7	1.0
Total	1351	1350.1	100.0

**By Selected Demographics: Percent who belong to a local group, club or association  
Kent County 2005/2006**



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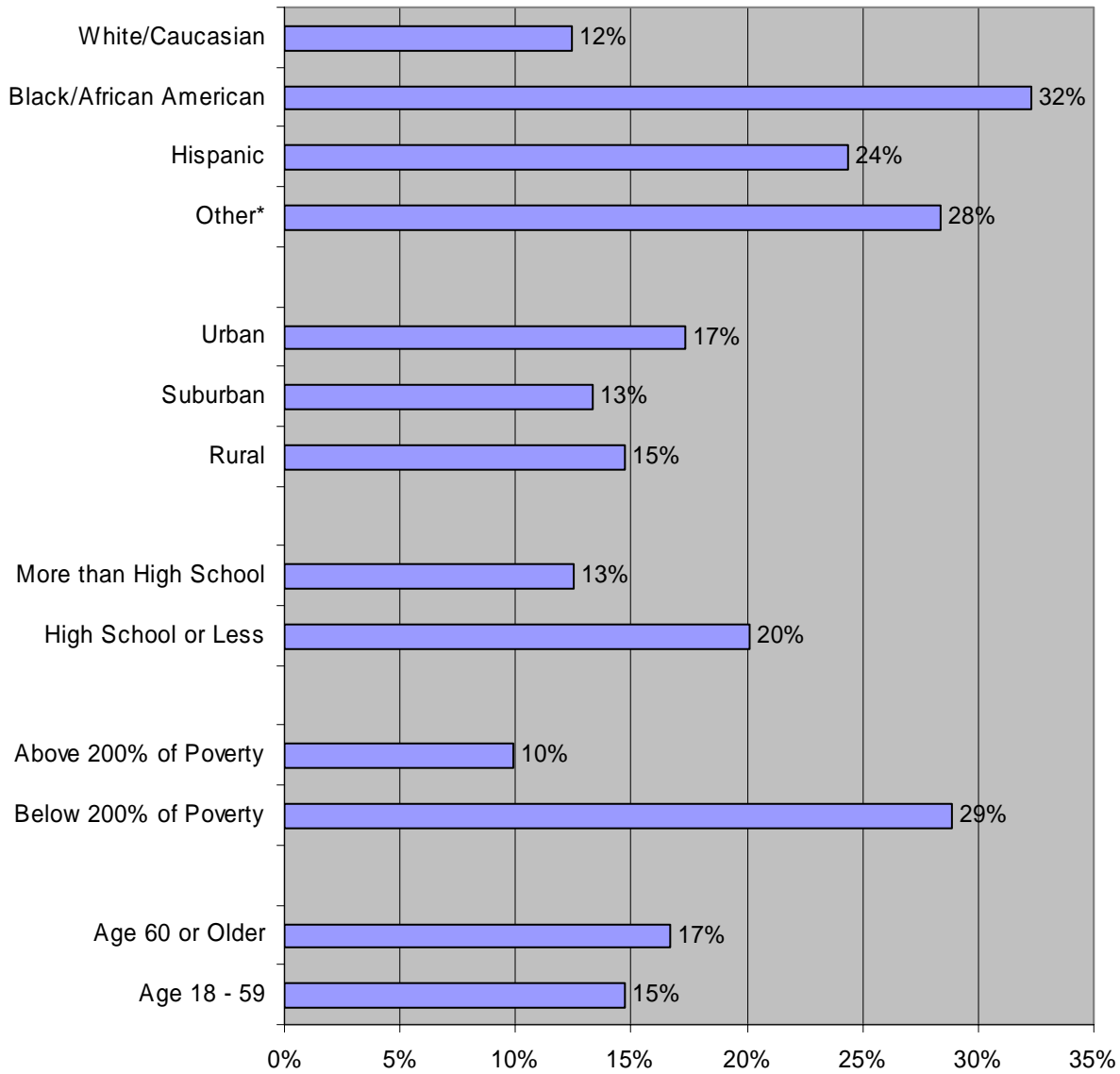
**How often is lack of transportation a problem for you in getting to work or other places you need to go?  
Kent County 2006**



**Supporting Data**

	Unweighted Count	Weighted Count	Weighted %
Never	1040	1141.4	84.5
Sometimes	219	156.2	11.6
Often	84	46.6	3.4
Don't Know/Refused	8	5.8	0.4
Total	1351	1350.1	100.0

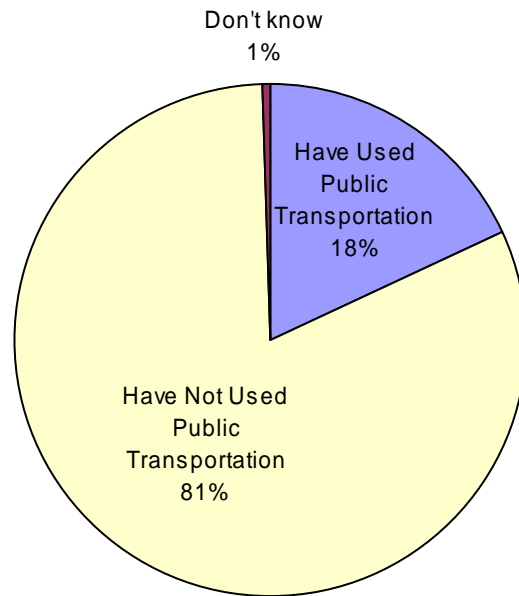
**By Selected Demographics: Percent who feel transportation is ‘Sometimes’ or ‘Often’ a problem for them when it comes to getting to work or other places they need to go  
Kent County 2006**



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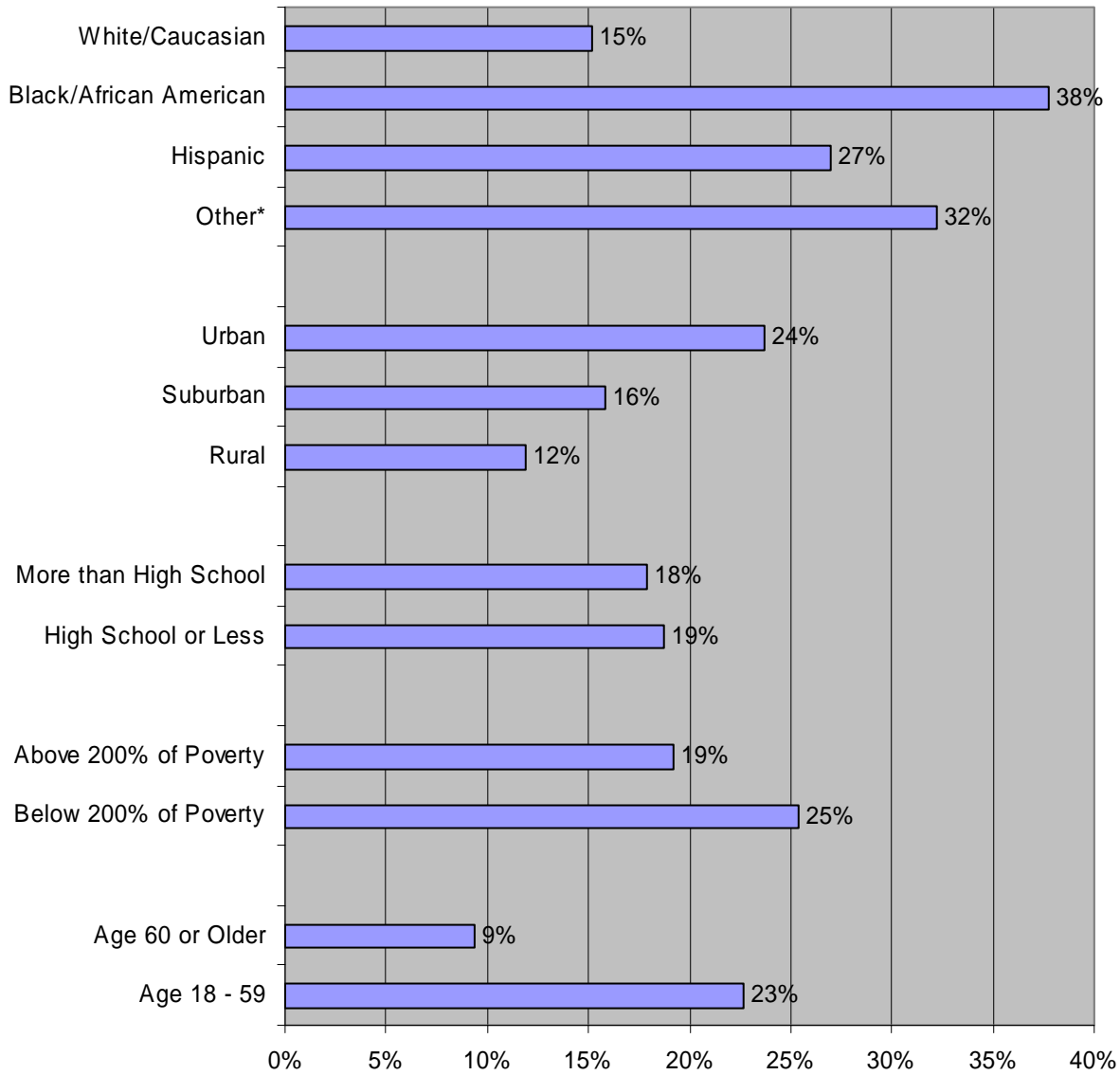
**Have you used public transportation in the past year?  
Kent County 2006**



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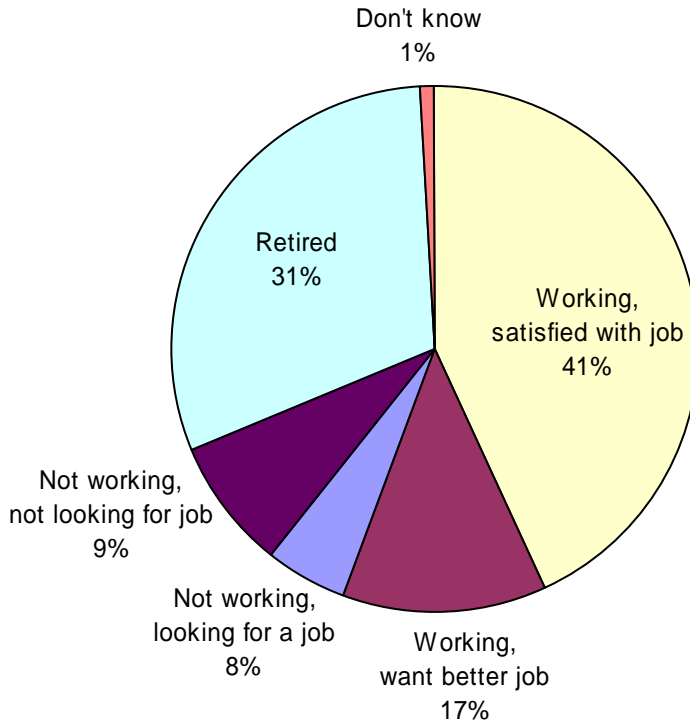
	Unweighted Count	Weighted Count	Weighted %
Yes	351	244.7	18.1
No	996	1098.3	81.4
Don't Know/Refused	4	7.0	0.5
Total	1351	1350.1	100.0

**By Selected Demographics: Percent who have  
used public transportation in the past year  
Kent County 2005/2006**

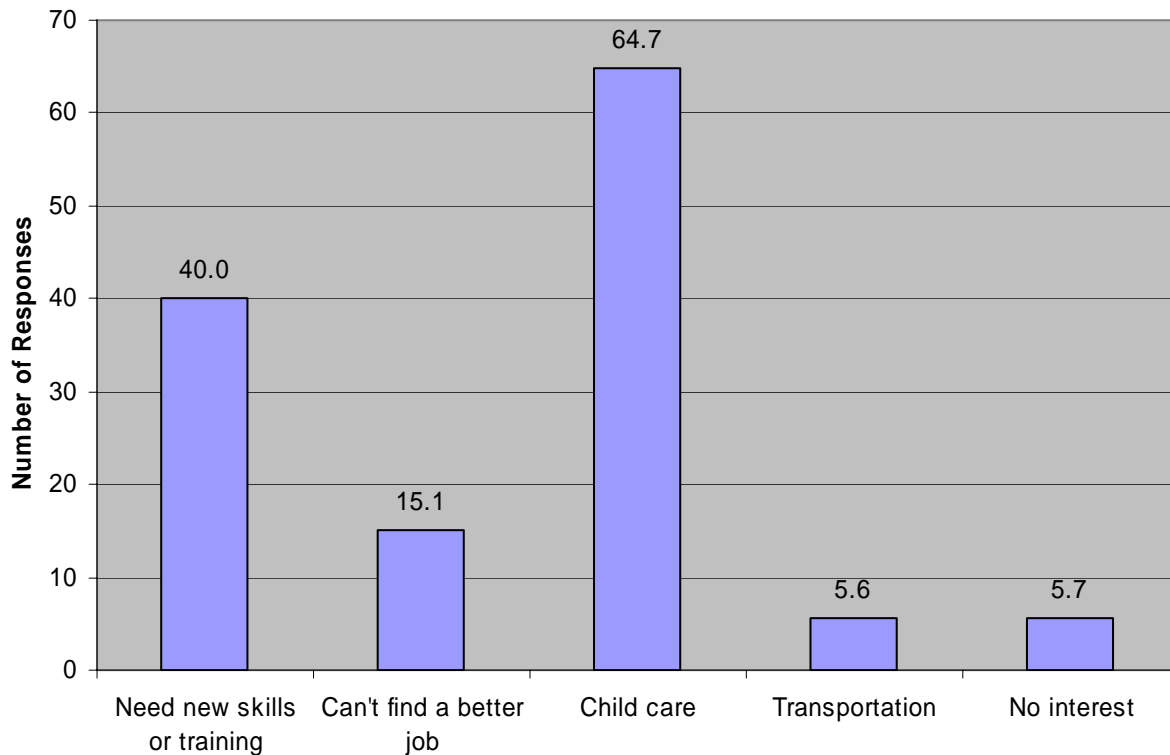


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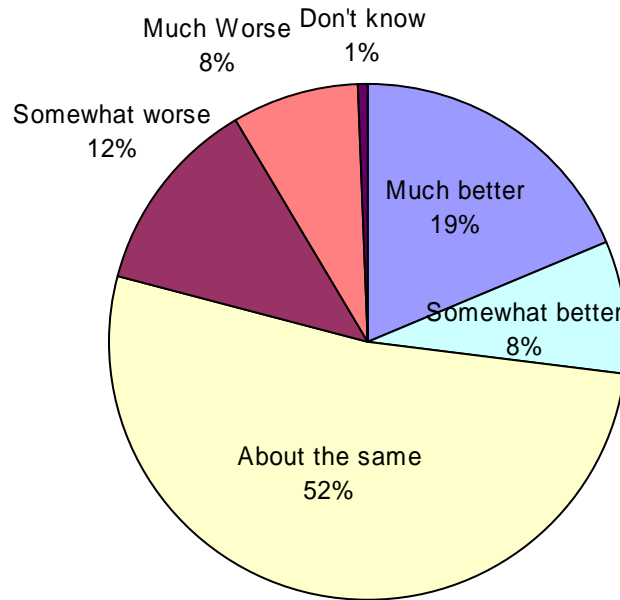
**How would you describe your current employment status?  
Kent County 2006**



**What is the main thing keeping you from getting the type of job you want?  
(UNIVERSE = Respondents that are working but want a better job and respondents not working)**



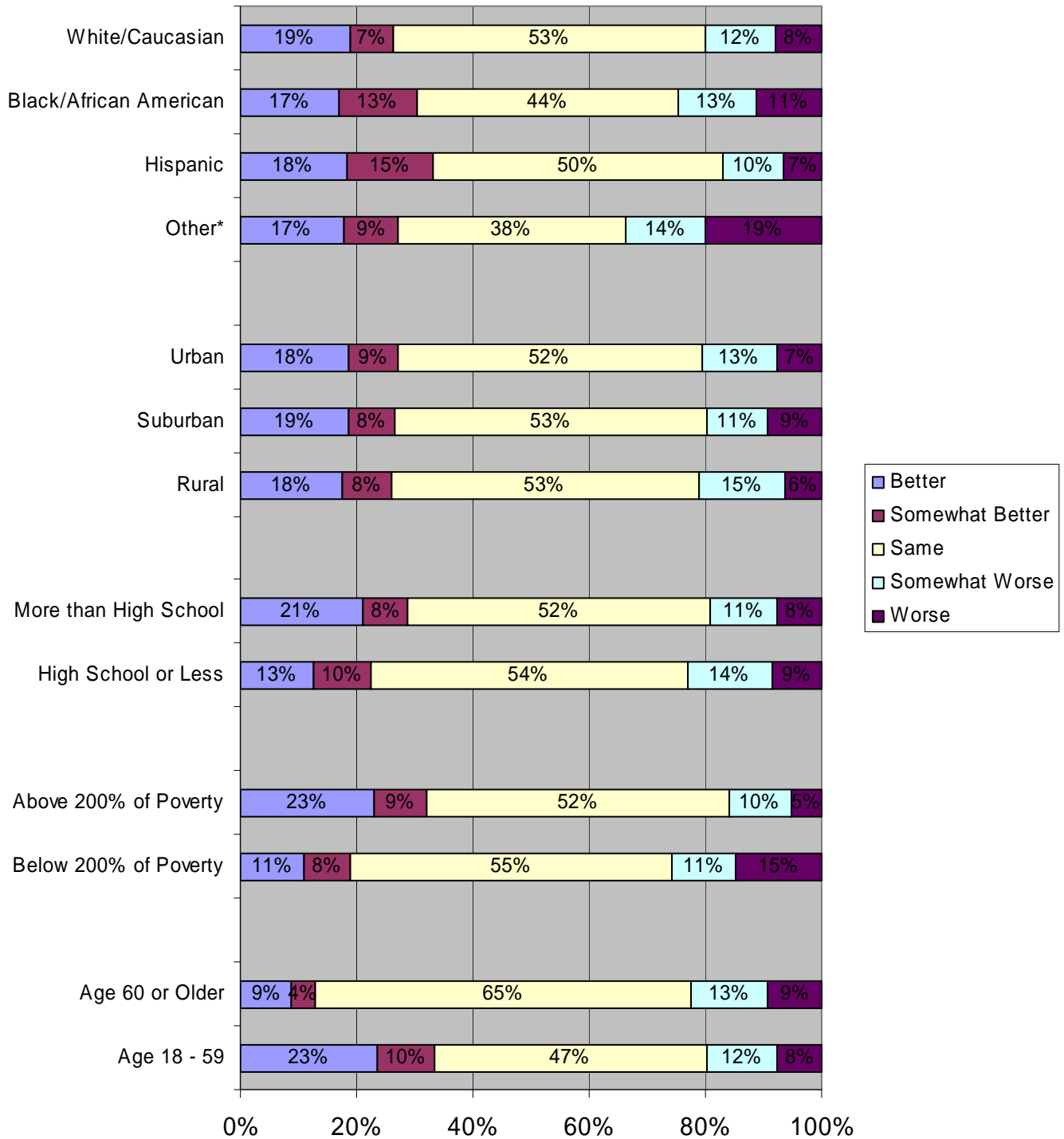
**How well are you and your family doing financially today compared to a year ago?  
Kent County 2006**



**Supporting Data**

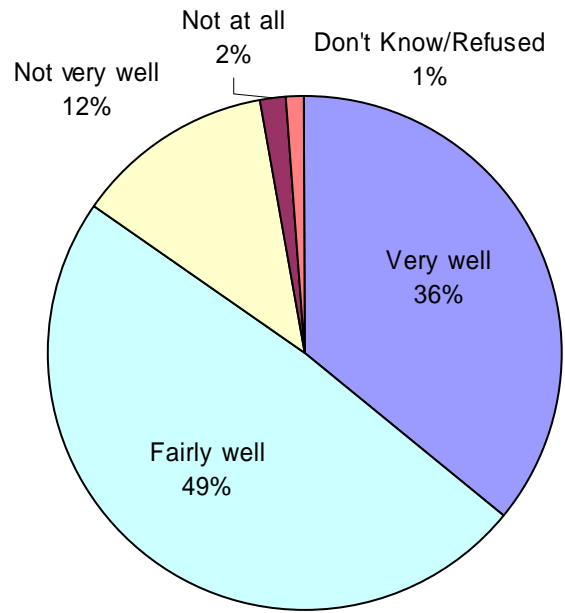
	Unweighted Count	Weighted Count	Weighted %
Better	243	250.0	18.5
Somewhat Better	149	112.7	8.4
About the Same	654	706.1	52.3
Somewhat Worse	164	164.1	12.2
Worse	130	109.5	8.1
Don't Know/Refused	11	7.6	0.6
Total	1351	1350.1	100.0

**By Selected Demographics: How well is your family doing financially today compared to a year ago?  
Kent County 2005/2006**



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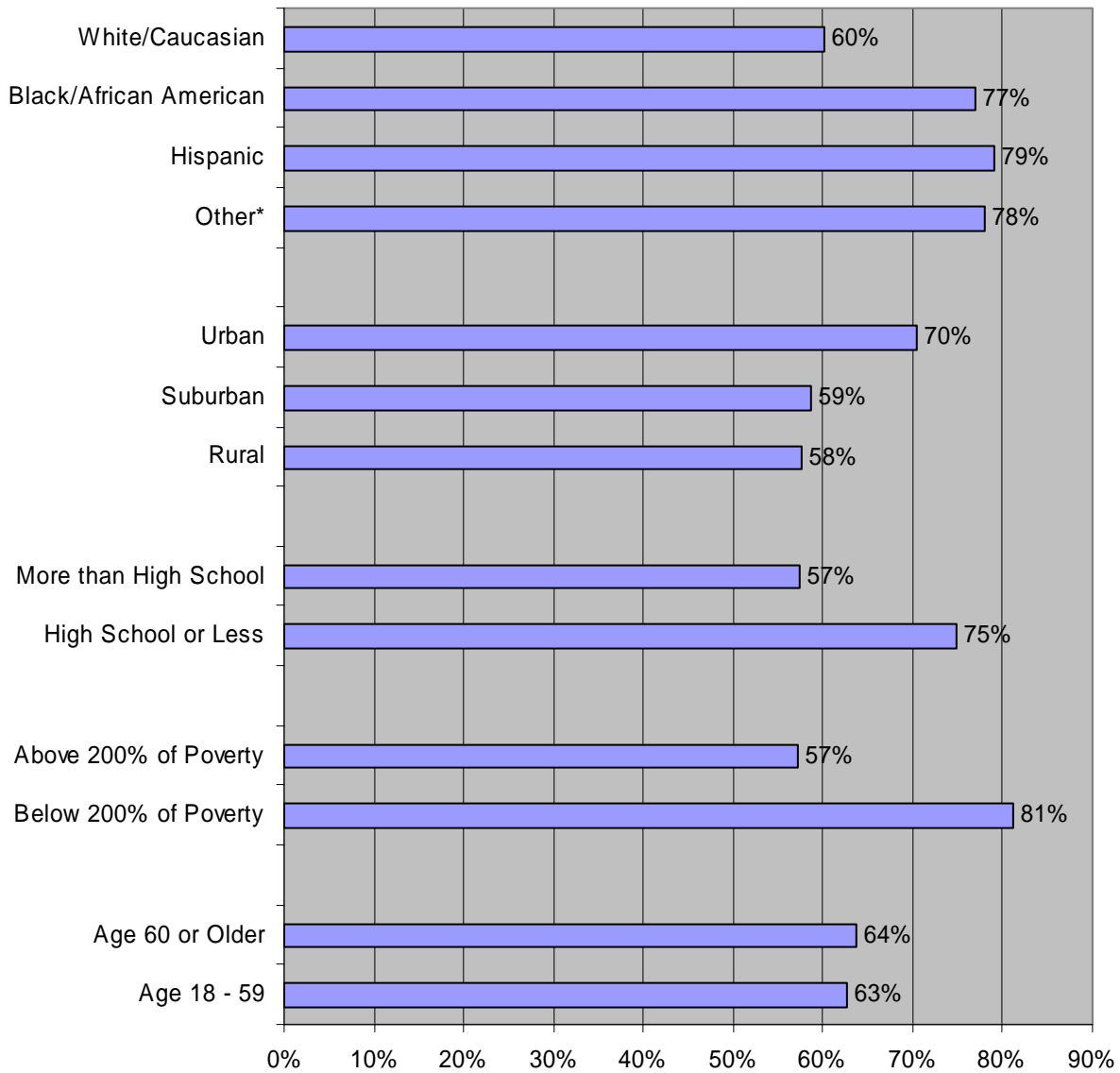
**Question: How well does the amount of money you have take care of your necessities?  
Kent County 2006**



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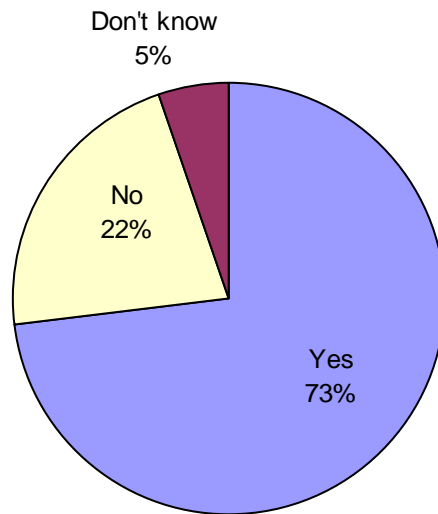
	Unweighted Count	Weighted Count	Weighted %
Very well	368	485.0	35.9
Fairly well	649	660.6	48.9
Not very well	271	166.1	12.3
Not at all	45	23.1	1.7
Don't Know/Refused	18	15.2	1.1
Total	1351	1350.1	100.0

**By Selected Demographics: In the past year, percentage of people who DID NOT say “very well” when asked how well the amount of money they have takes care of their basic necessities.  
Kent County 2005/2006**

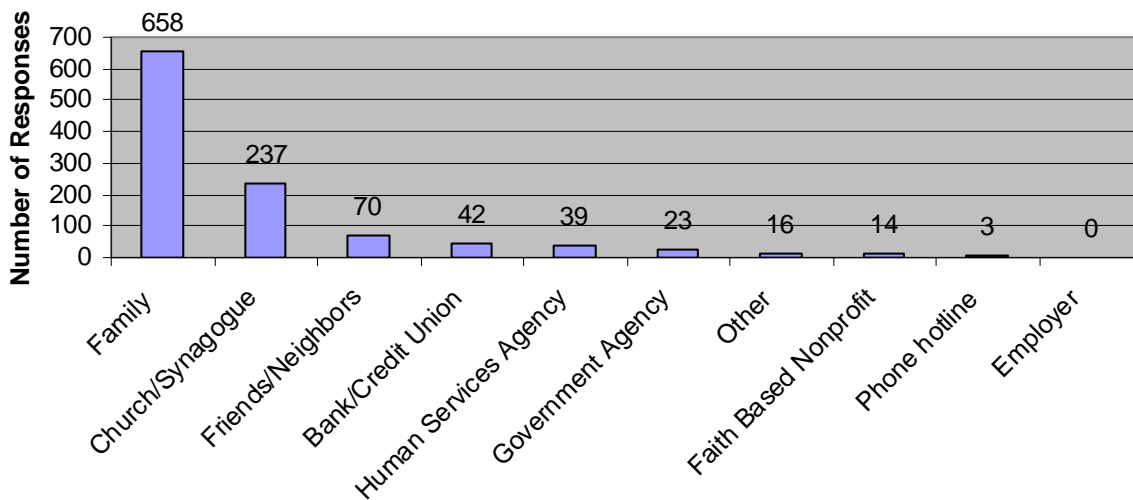


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**Question: If you needed some extra help meeting your basic needs, is there a person or a place you could turn to for help?  
Kent County 2006**



**IF YES...Who or where would you turn?**

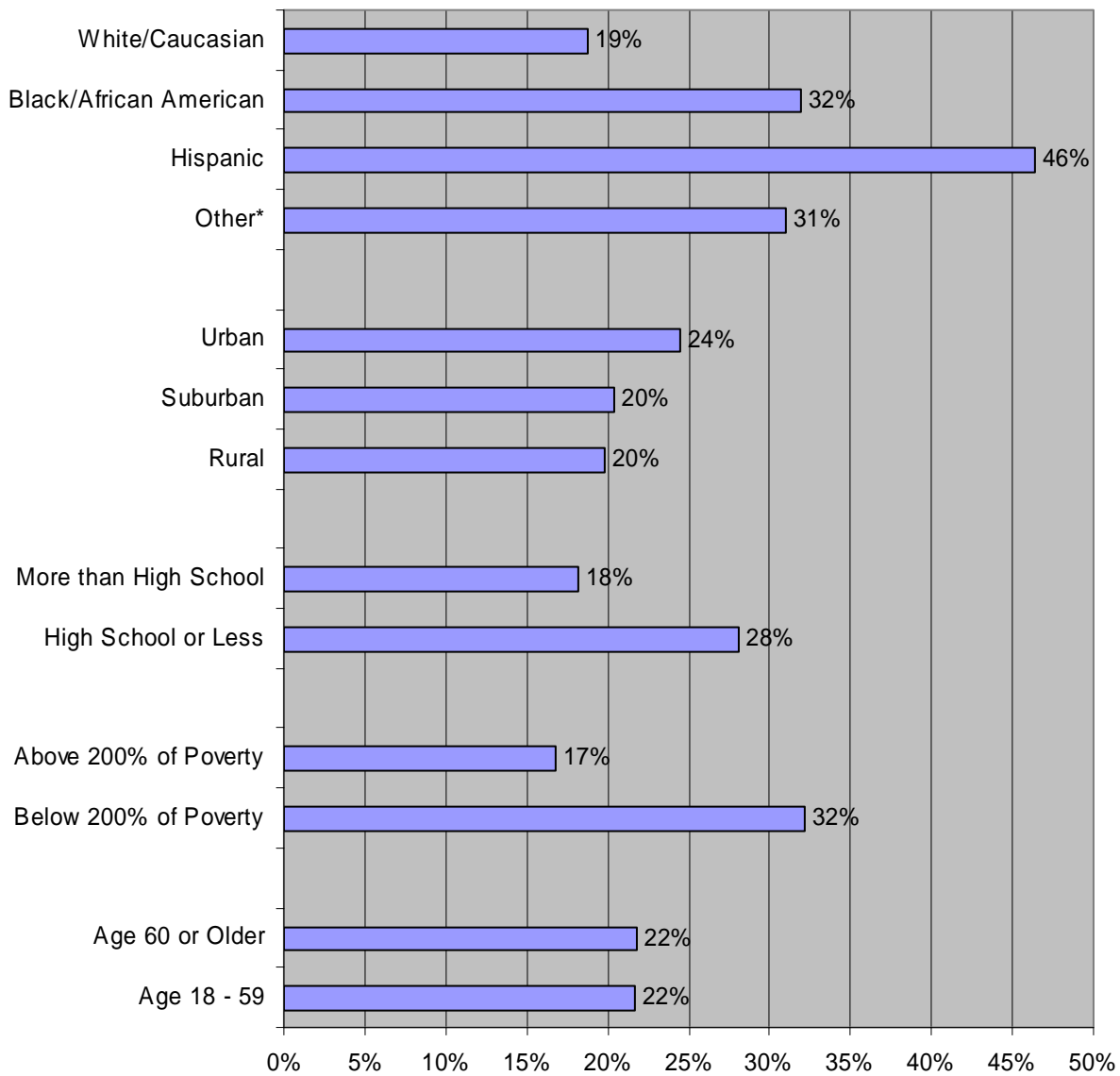


**Supporting Data**

	Unweighted Count	Weighted Count	Weighted %
Yes	863	985.1	73.0
No	415	294.6	21.8
Don't Know/Refused	73	70.3	5.2
Total	1351	1350.1	100



**By Selected Demographics: Percentage of people who DO NOT think they have a place to turn if they need help meeting their basic needs.  
Kent County 2005/2006**



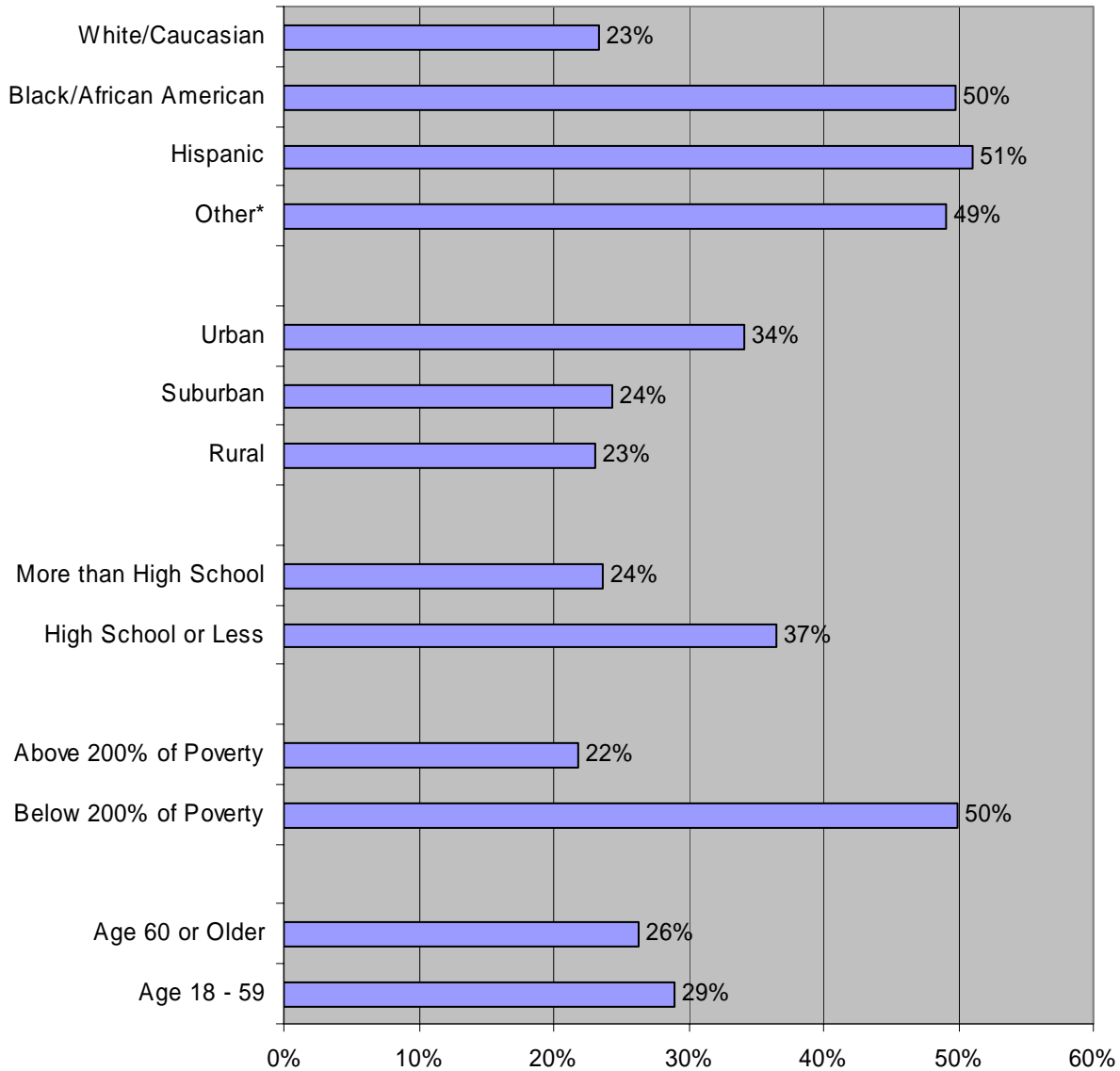
**How often do you worry about running out of money for food or clothing?  
Kent County 2006**



**Supporting Data**

	Unweighted Count	Weighted Count	Weighted %
All the time	113	59.4	4.4
At least once a month	128	75.5	5.6
Occasionally	303	240.7	17.8
Never	796	965.9	71.5
Don't Know/Refused	11	8.6	0.6
Total	1351	1350.1	100.0

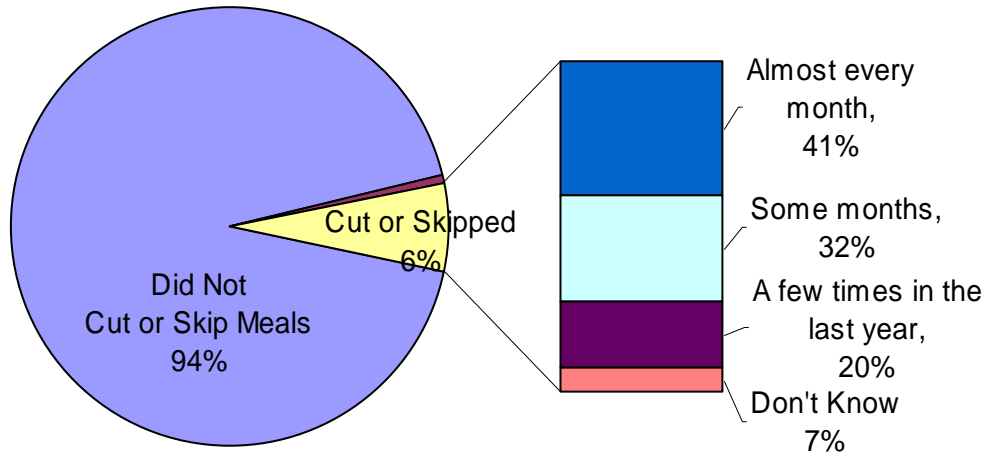
**By Selected Demographics: Percent who worry\*\*  
about running out of money for food or clothing.  
Kent County 2006**



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\*\* includes those who said they worry 'all the time, 'occasionally, and 'at least once a month'.

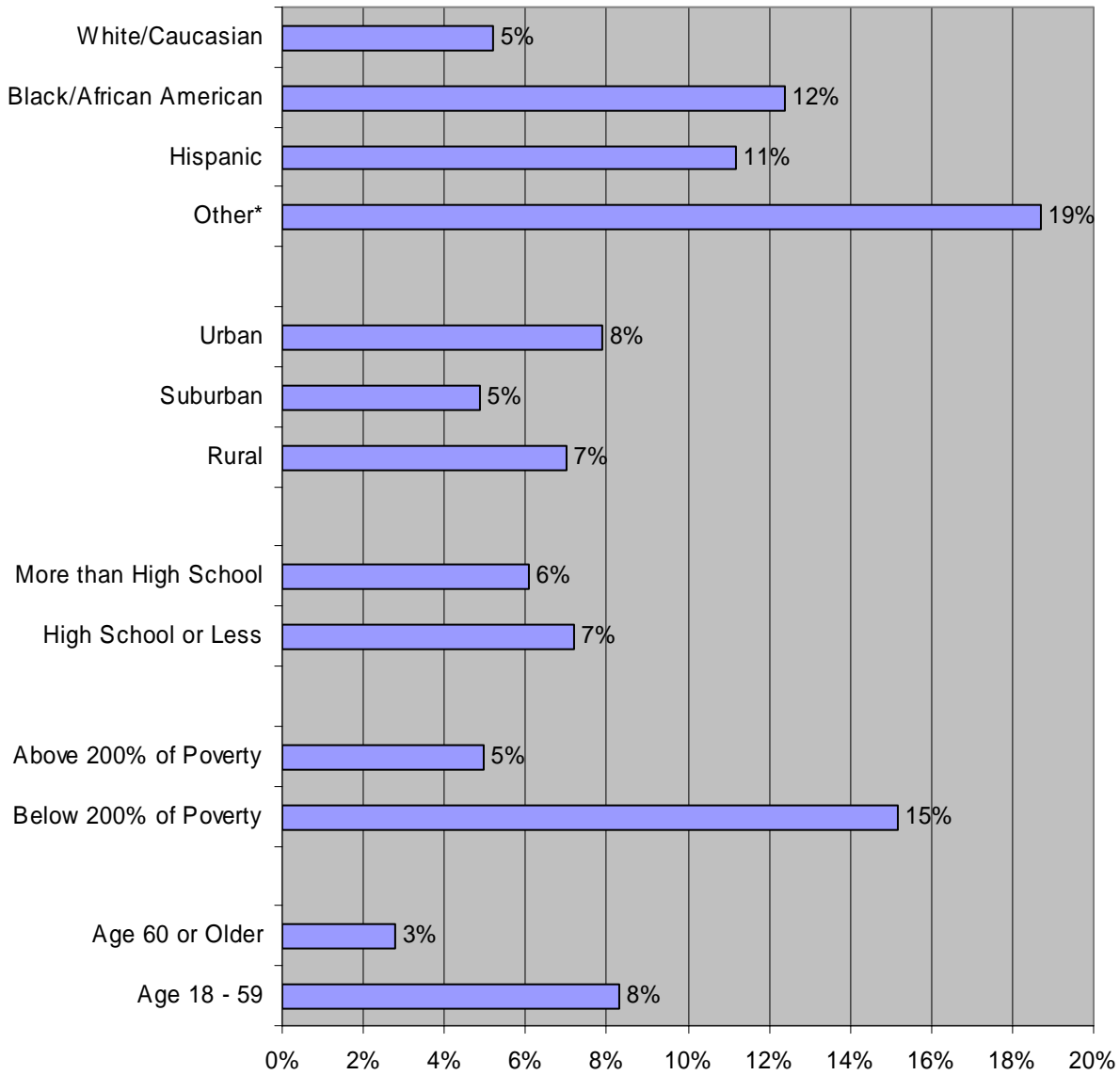
**Question: In the last 12 months, did you or others in your household ever cut the size of your meals or skip meals because there wasn't enough money for food?  
 IF YES...How often would you say this happened?  
 Kent County 2005/2006**



**Supporting Data**

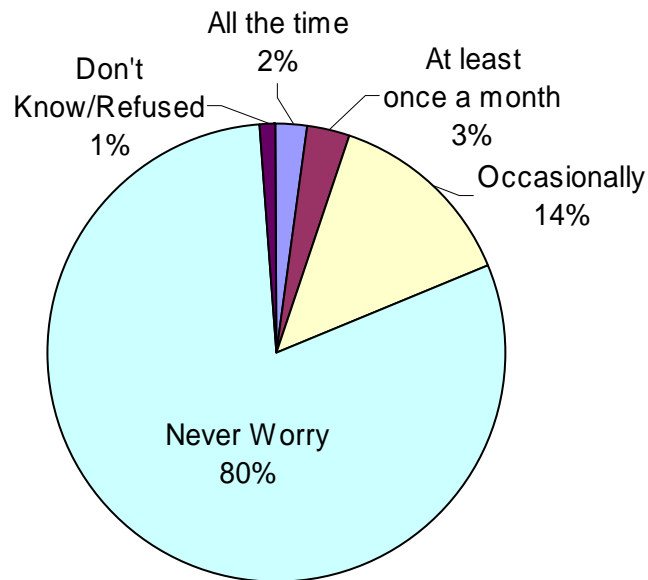
	Unweighted Count	Weighted Count	Weighted %
Yes	137	86.5	6.4
No	1207	1257.9	93.2
Don't Know/Refused	7	5.6	0.4
Total	1351	1350.1	100

**By Selected Demographics: In the past year, percentage of people who cut or skipped meals because there wasn't enough money for food.  
Kent County 2005/2006**



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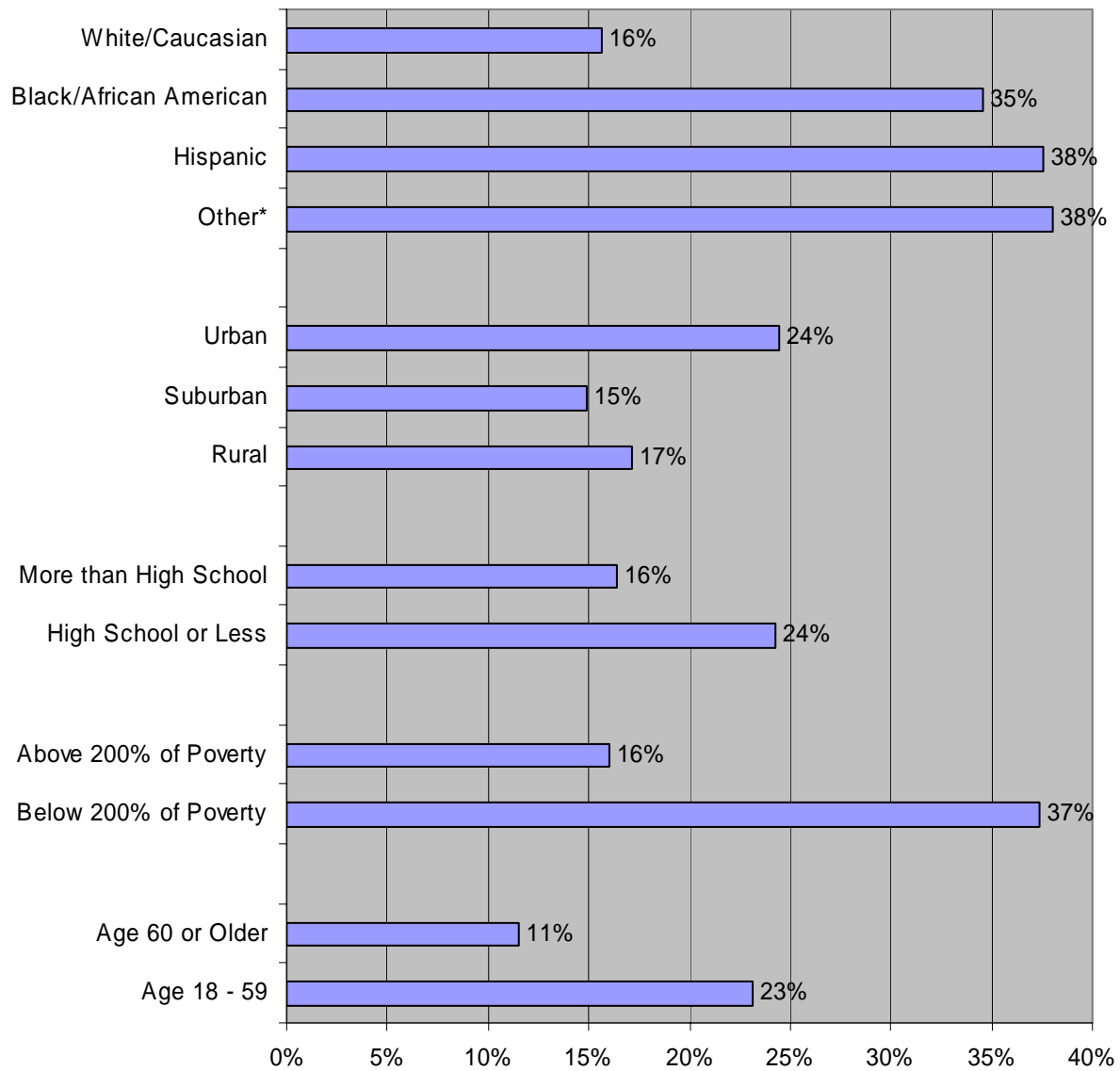
**How often do you worry about running out of money for shelter  
for you and your family?  
Kent County 2006**



**Supporting Data**

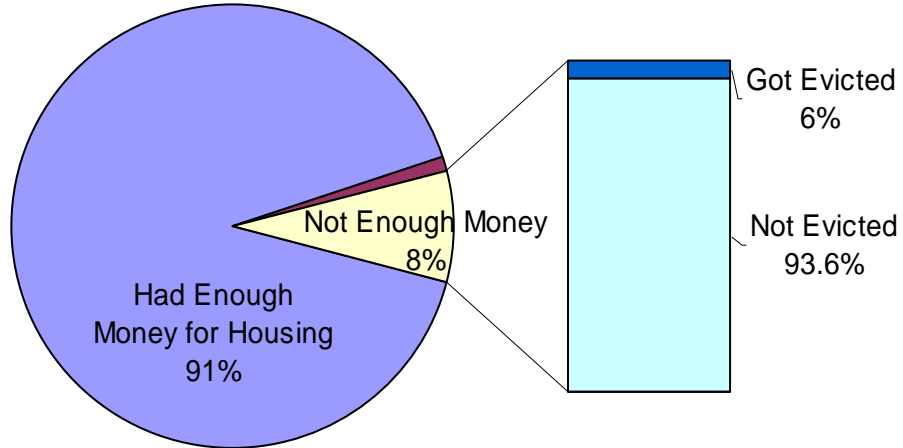
	Unweighted Count	Weighted Count	Weighted %
All the time	73	30.6	2.3
At least once a month	71	41.7	3.1
Occasionally	244	183.5	13.6
Never	946	1078.4	79.9
Don't Know/Refused	17	15.9	1.2
Total	1351	1350.1	100.0

## By Selected Demographics: Percent who worry about running out of money for shelter Kent County 2006



\* includes Asian, Pacific Islander, American Indian, Alaskan Native and Multi-racial

**Question: Were there any times in the past 12 months when you or other adults in your household did not have enough money to pay your rent, mortgage, or real estate taxes?  
IF YES... Did you get evicted for nonpayment?  
Kent County 2005/2006**

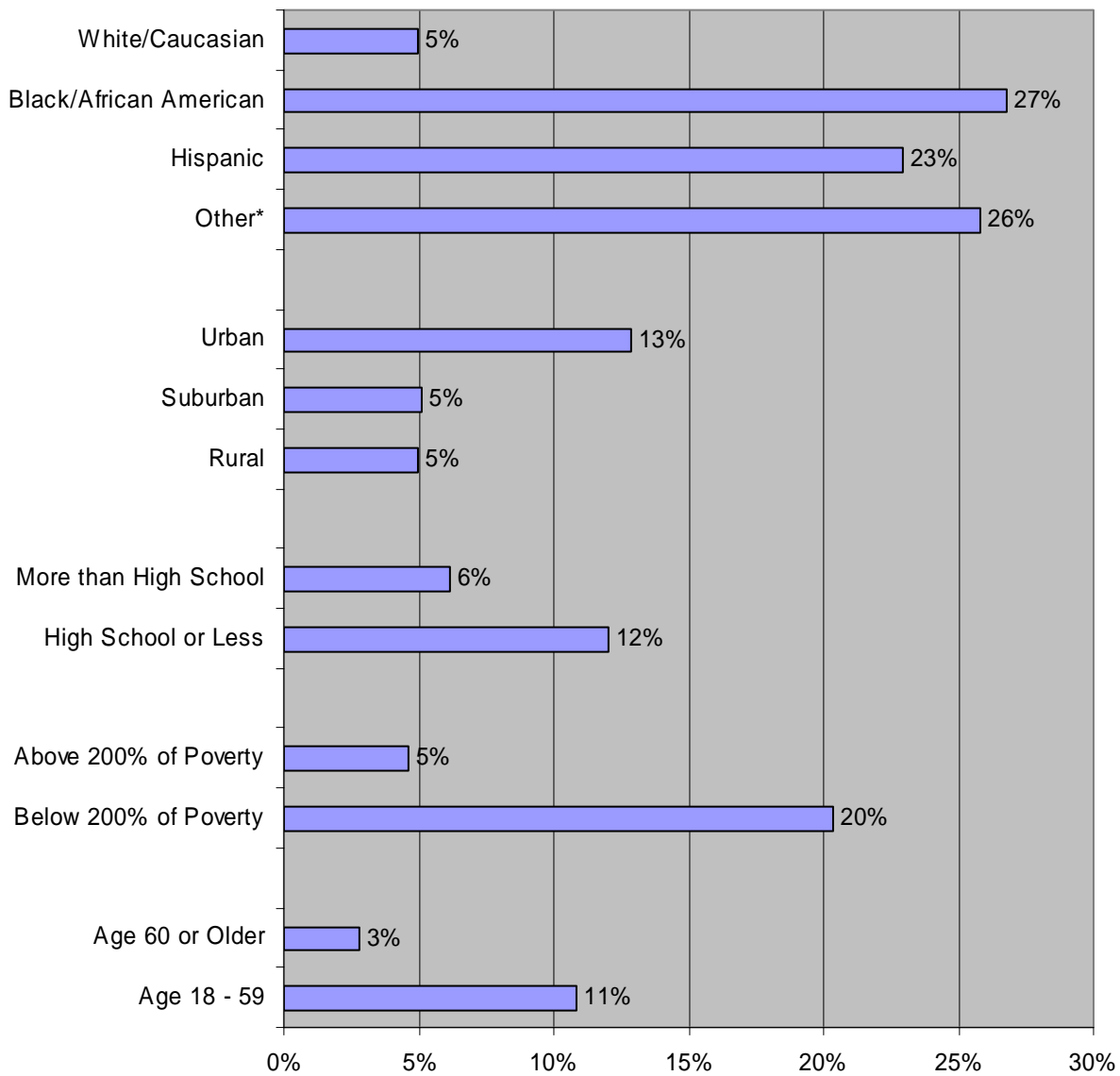


**Supporting Data**

...Pay your rent, mortgage, or real estate taxes?			
	Unweighted Count	Weighted Count	Weighted %
Yes	238	109.0	8.1
No	1100	1227.9	90.9
Don't Know/Refused	13	13.2	1.0
Total	1351	1350.1	100.0
IF YES...Did you get evicted for nonpayment?			
	Unweighted Count	Weighted Count	Weighted %
Yes	20	6.4	5.9
No	216	102.1	93.6
Don't Know/Refused	2	0.4	0.5
Total	238	108.8784	100.0132

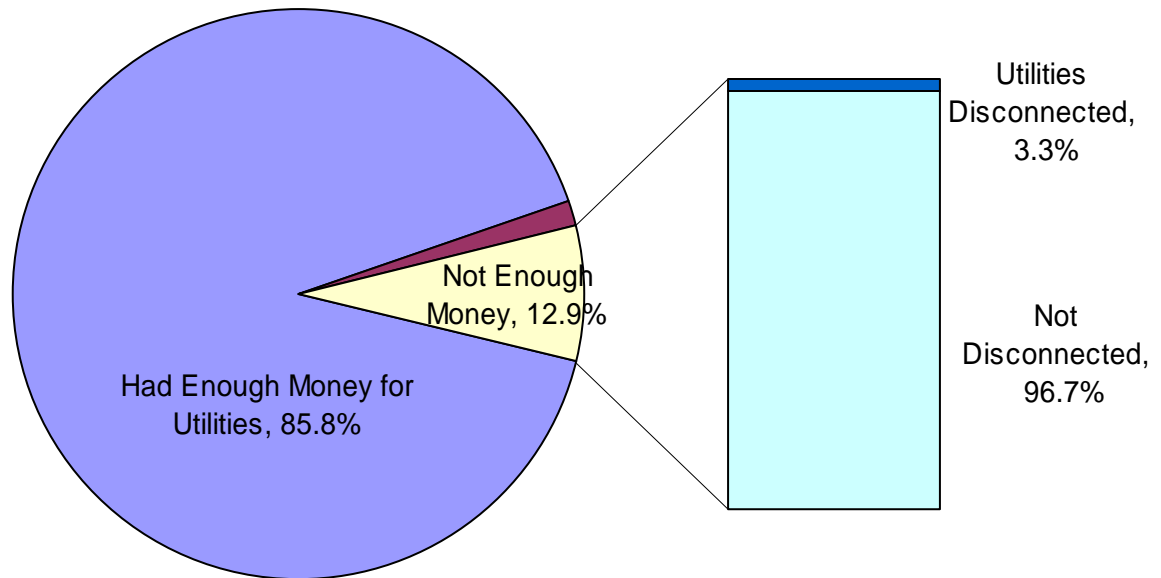


**By Selected Demographics: Percentage of people who DID NOT have enough money to pay their rent, mortgage, or real estate taxes  
Kent County 2005/2006**



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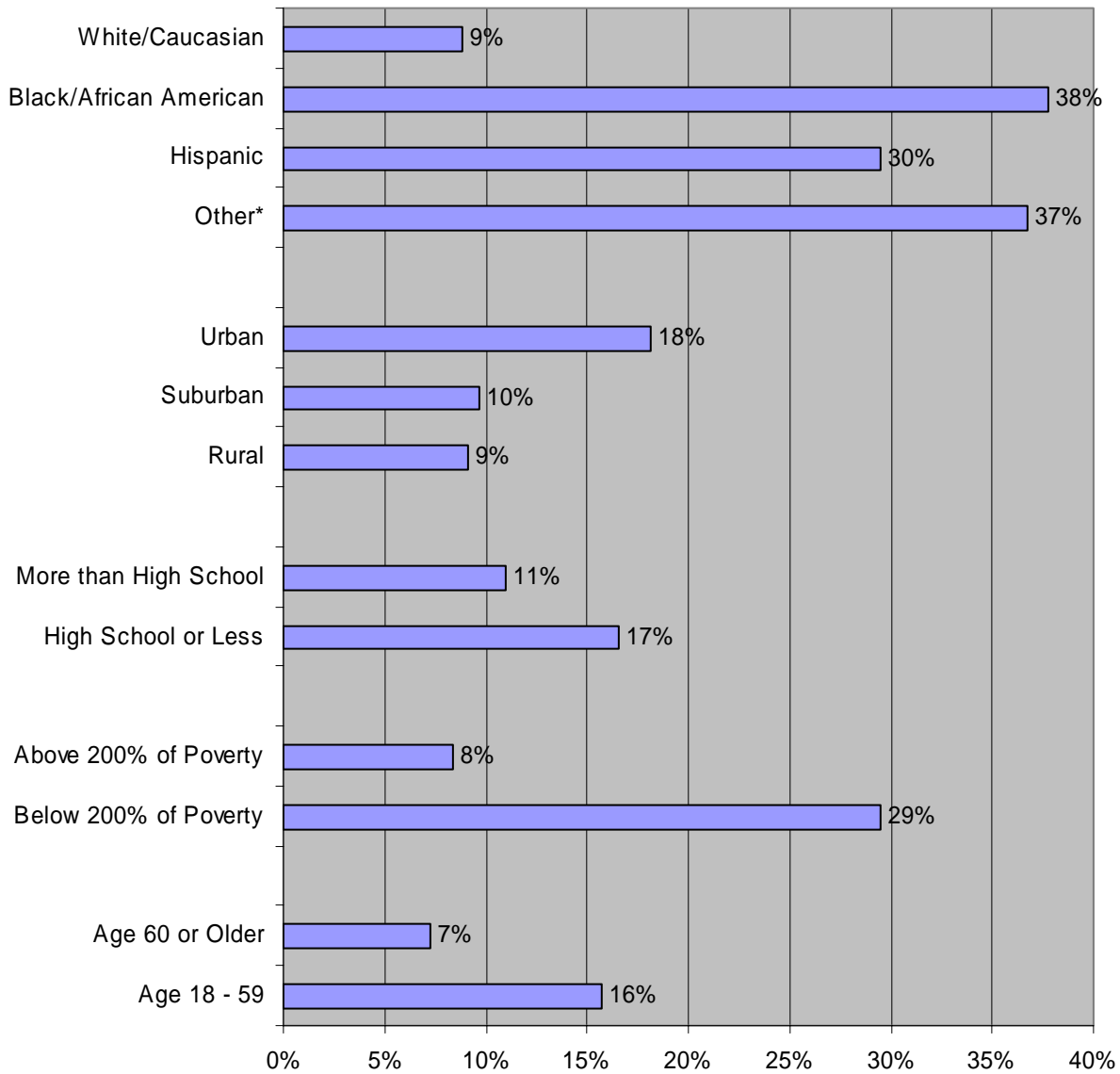
**Question: Were there any times in the past 12 months when you or other adults in your household did not have enough money to... Pay your utility bills?  
 IF YES...Was your (INSERT ITEM) disconnected?  
 Kent County 2005/2006**



**Supporting Data**

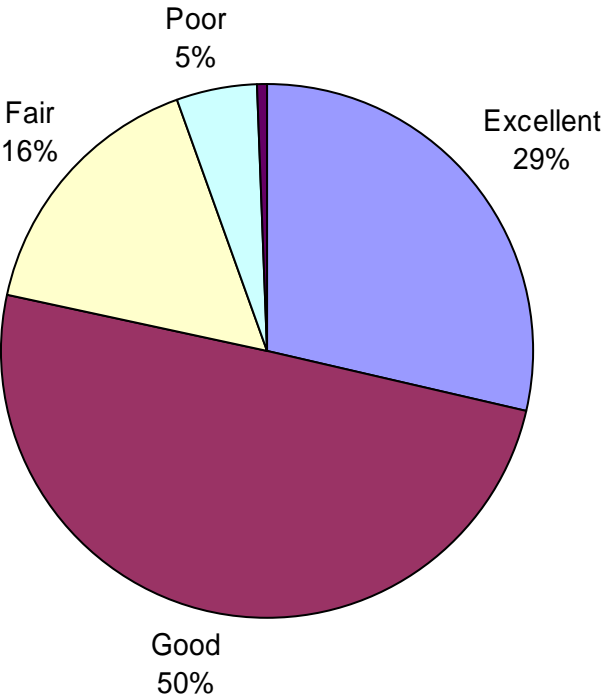
<b>...Pay your utility bills?</b>			
	Unweighted Count	Weighted Count	Weighted %
Yes	335	173.9	12.9
No	1001	1158.4	85.8
Don't Know/Refused	15	17.7	1.3
Total	1351	1350.1	100.0
<b>Was your gas, electric or oil disconnected?</b>			
	Unweighted Count	Weighted Count	Weighted %
Yes	66	27.7	15.9
No	268	146.0	83.9
Don't Know/Refused	1	0.2	0.1
Total	335	173.9	100.0
<b>Was your telephone disconnected?</b>			
	Unweighted Count	Weighted Count	Weighted %
Yes	55	25.5	14.7
No	279	147.3	84.7
Don't Know/Refused	1	1.2	0.7
Total	335	173.9	100.0

**By Selected Demographics: In the past year, percentage of people who DID NOT have enough money to pay their utility bills  
Kent County 2005/2006**



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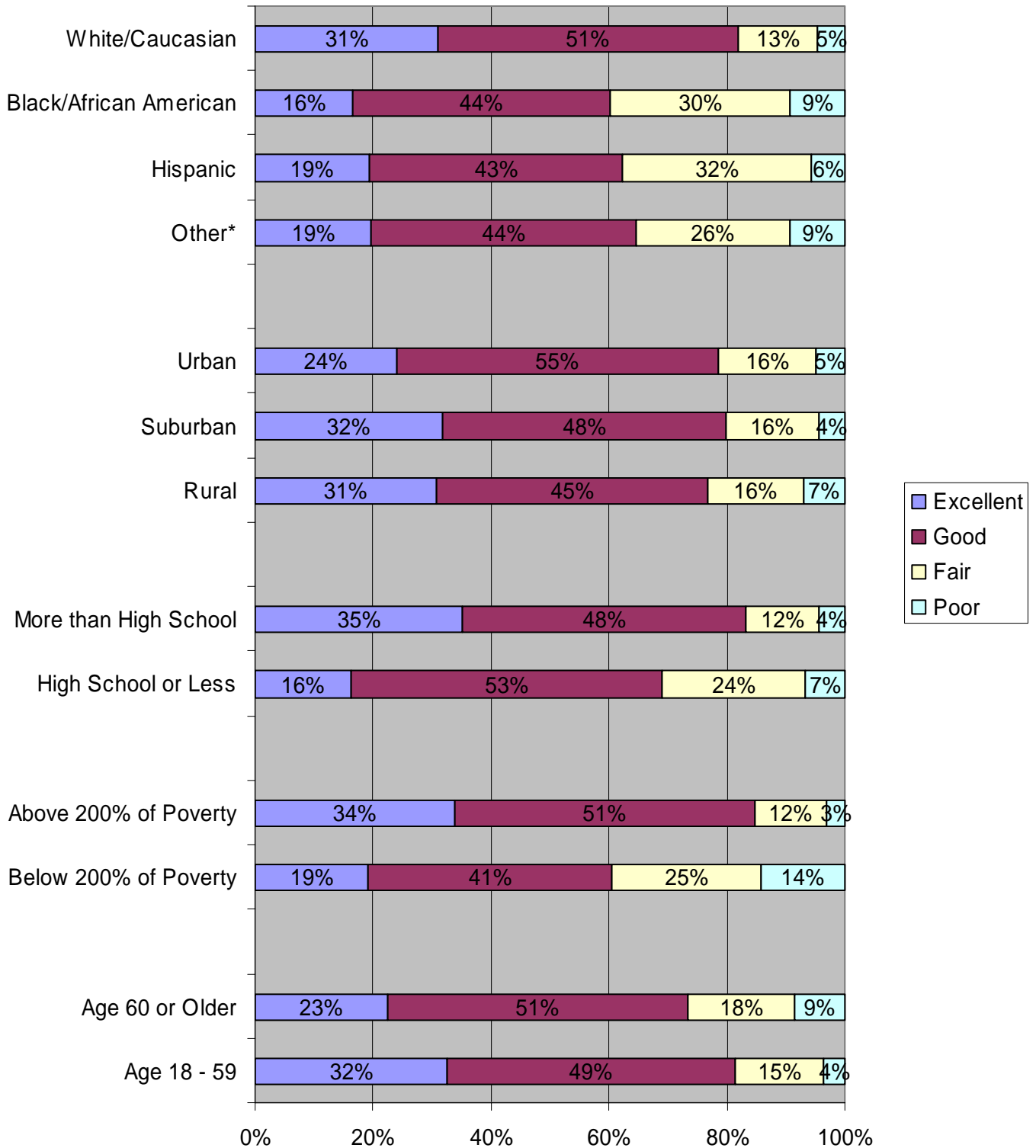
**How would you rate your health?  
Kent County 2006**



**Supporting Data**

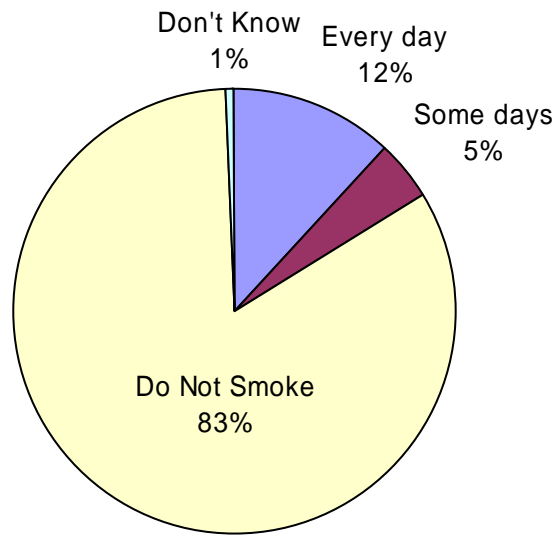
	Unweighted Count	Weighted Count	Weighted %
Excellent	308	385.5	28.6
Good	623	671.7	49.8
Fair	323	218.4	16.2
Poor	89	68.7	5.1
Don't Know/Refused	8	5.8	0.4
Total	1351	1350.1	100.0

## By Selected Demographics: How would you rate your health? Kent County 2005/2006



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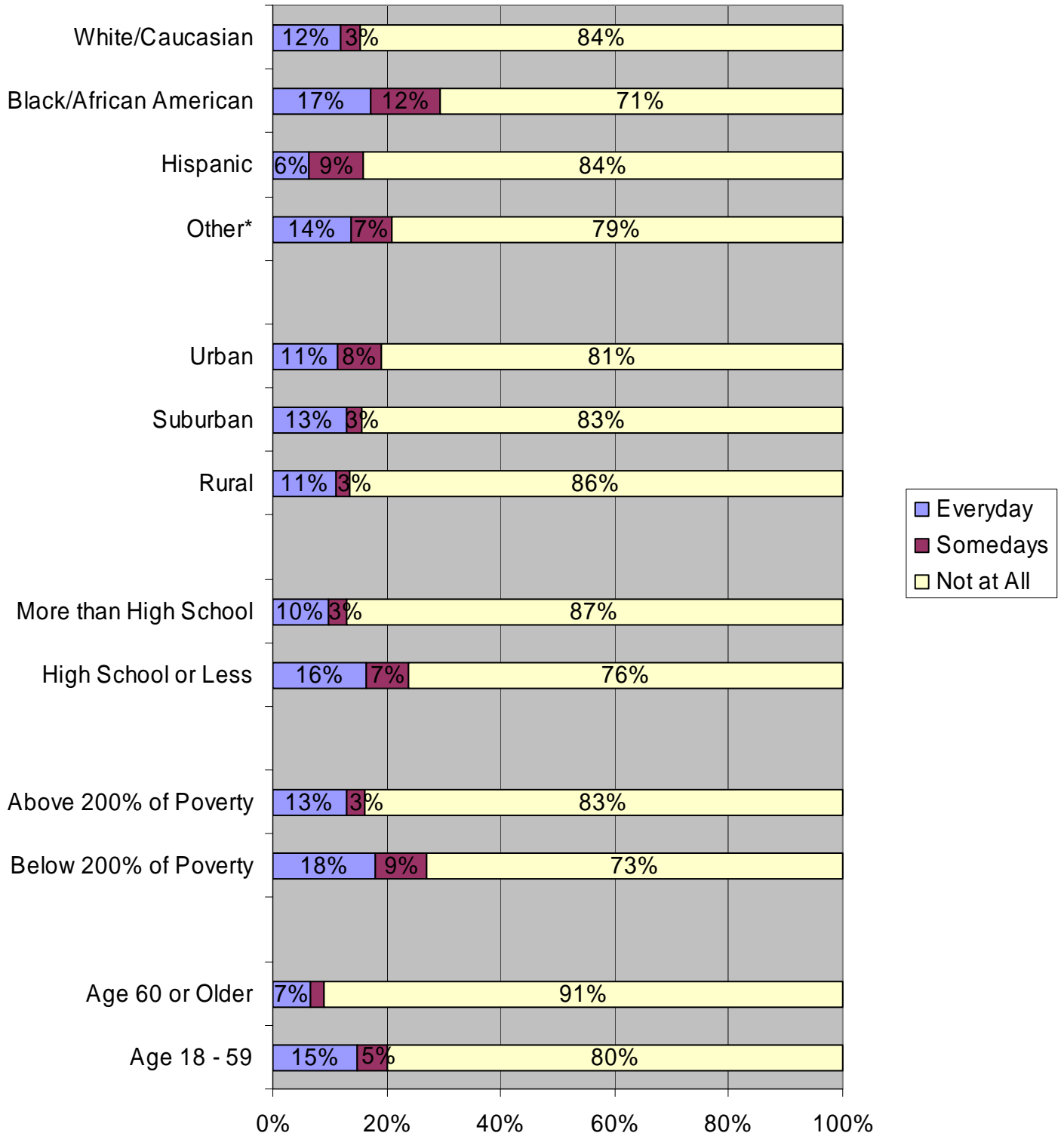
**Do you smoke cigarettes every day, some days, or not at all?  
Kent County 2006**



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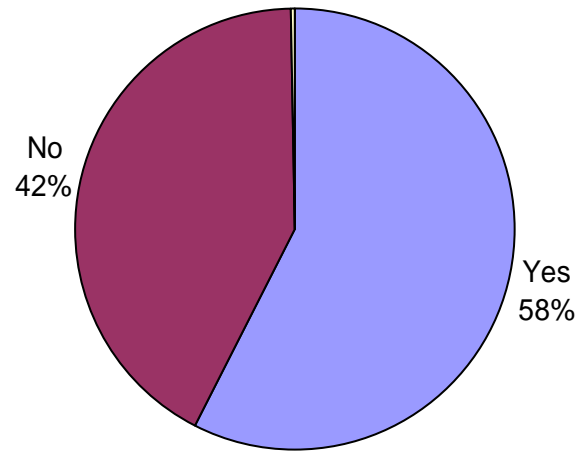
	Unweighted Count	Weighted Count	Weighted %
Every Day	162	159.5	11.8
Some Days	103	62.0	4.6
Not at All	1081	1121.4	83.1
Don't Know/Refused	5	7.2	0.5
Total	1351	1350.1	100.0

## By Selected Demographics: Do you smoke cigarettes? Kent County 2006



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**Do you exercise at least 3 times a week for 30 minutes?  
Kent County 2006**

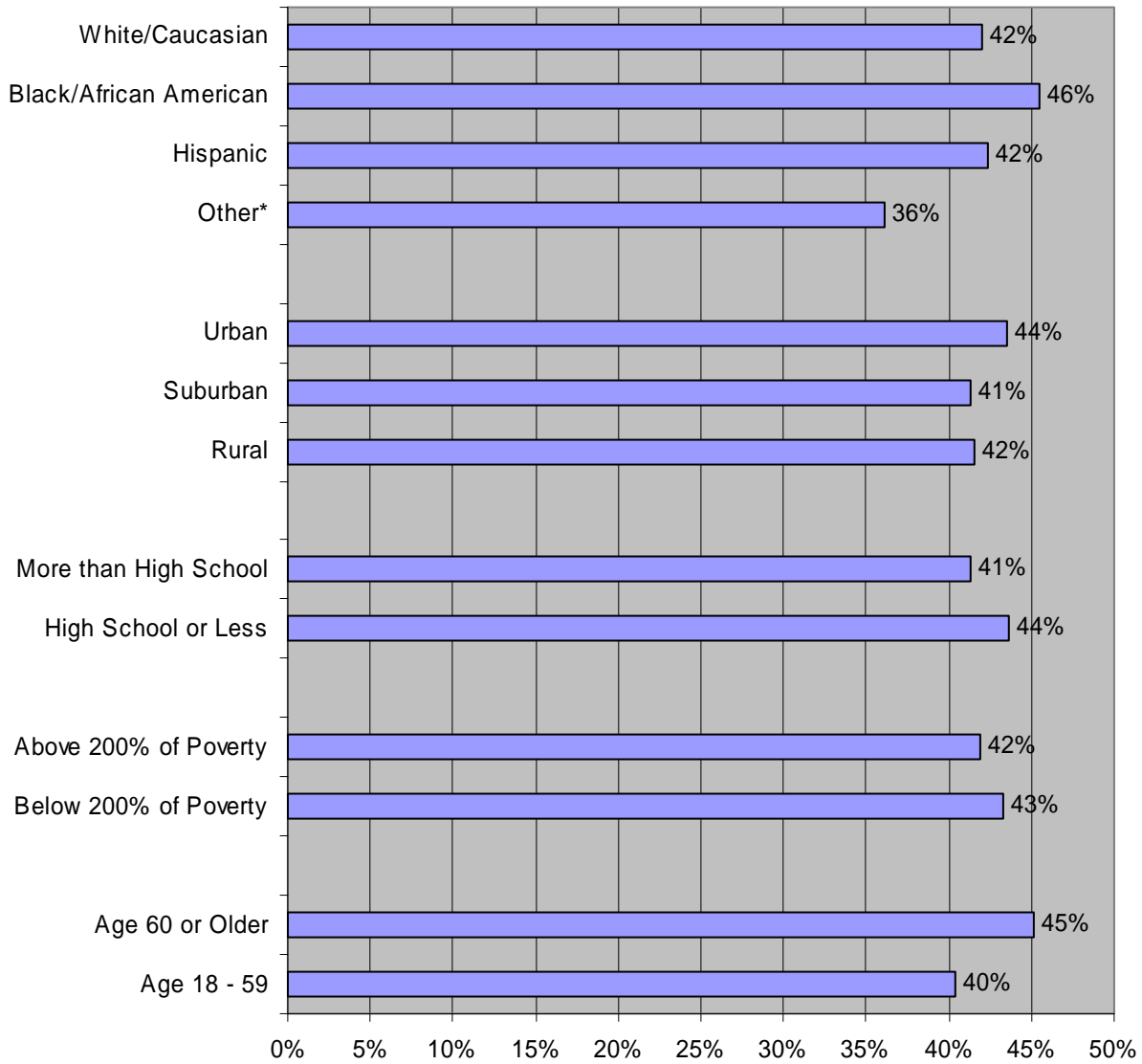


**Supporting Data**

	Unweighted Count	Weighted Count	Weighted %
Yes	772	776.7	57.5
No	572	570.0	42.2
Don't Know/Refused	7	3.4	0.3
Total	1351	1350.1	100.0

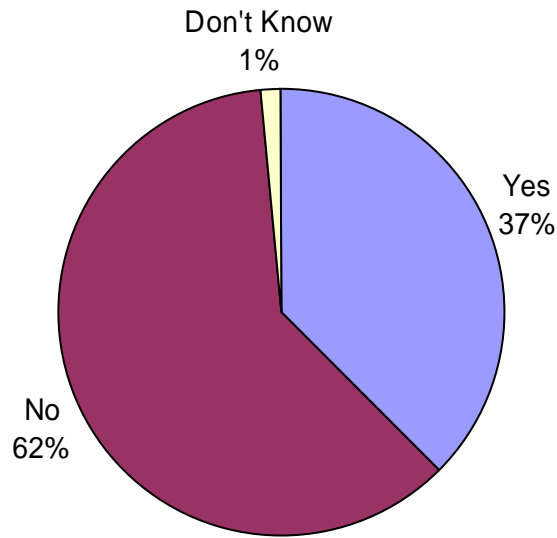


**By Selected Demographics: Percent who DO NOT exercise  
at least three times week for 30 minutes.  
Kent County 2006**



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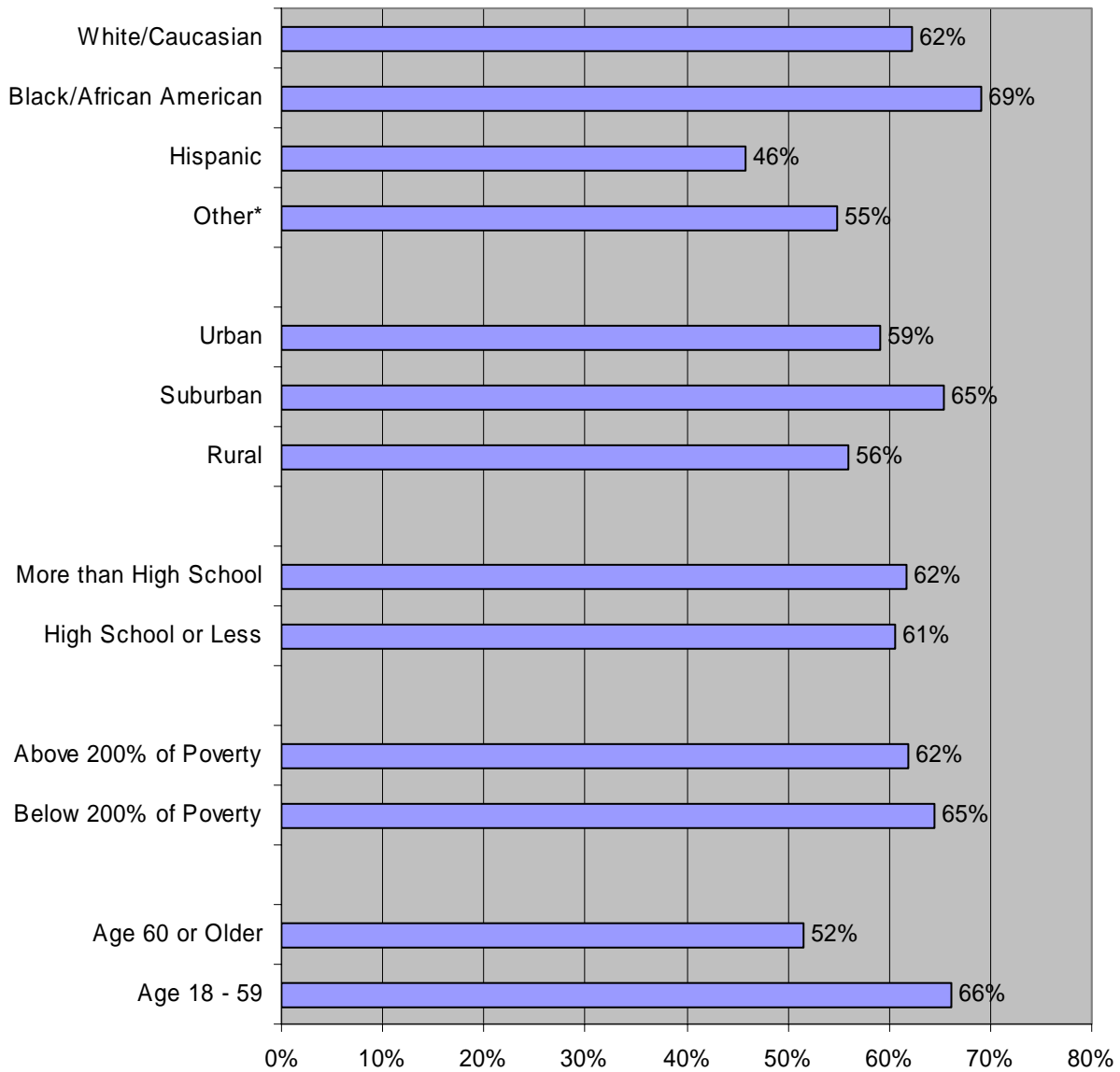
**Do you eat 5 servings of fruits and vegetables every day?  
Kent County 2006**



**Supporting Data**

	Unweighted Count	Weighted Count	Weighted %
Yes	540	504.8	37.4
No	796	826.0	61.2
Don't Know/Refused	15	19.3	1.4
Total	1351	1350.1	100.0

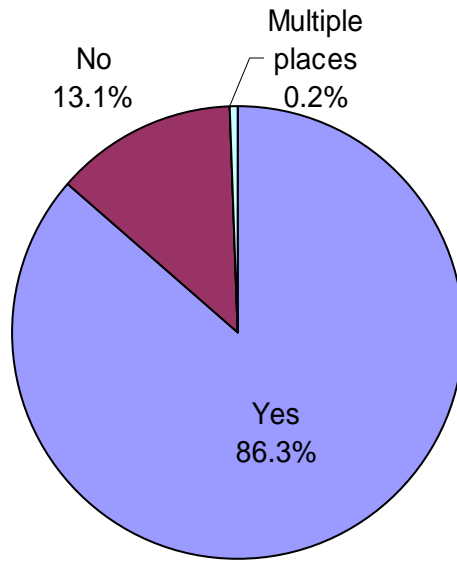
**By Selected Demographics: Percent who DO NOT eat 5 servings of fruits and vegetables every day.**



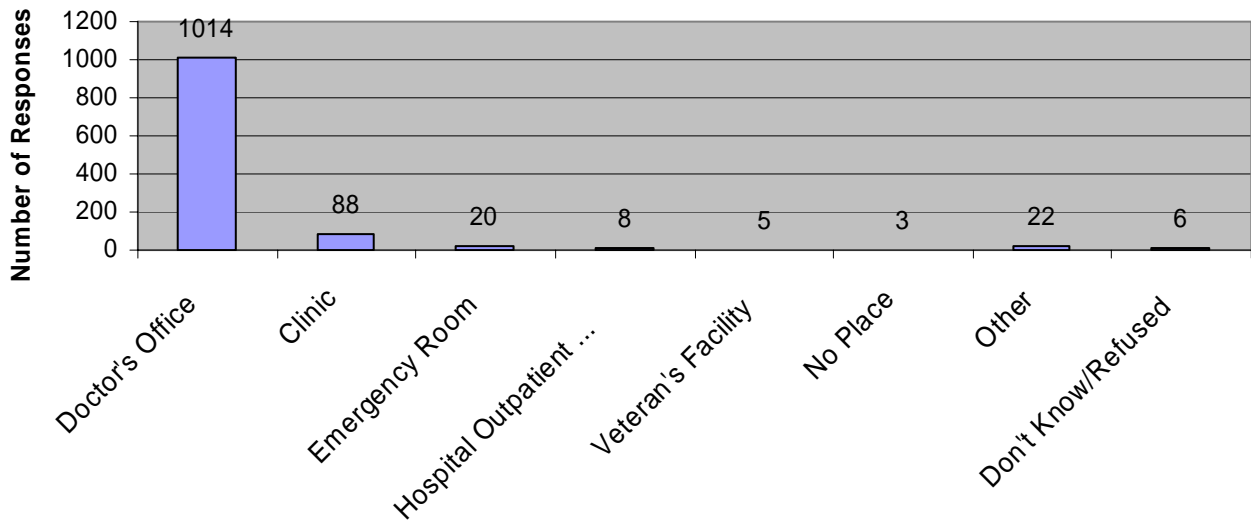
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**Is there a place that you usually go when you are sick or need advice about your health?**

**Kent County 2006**



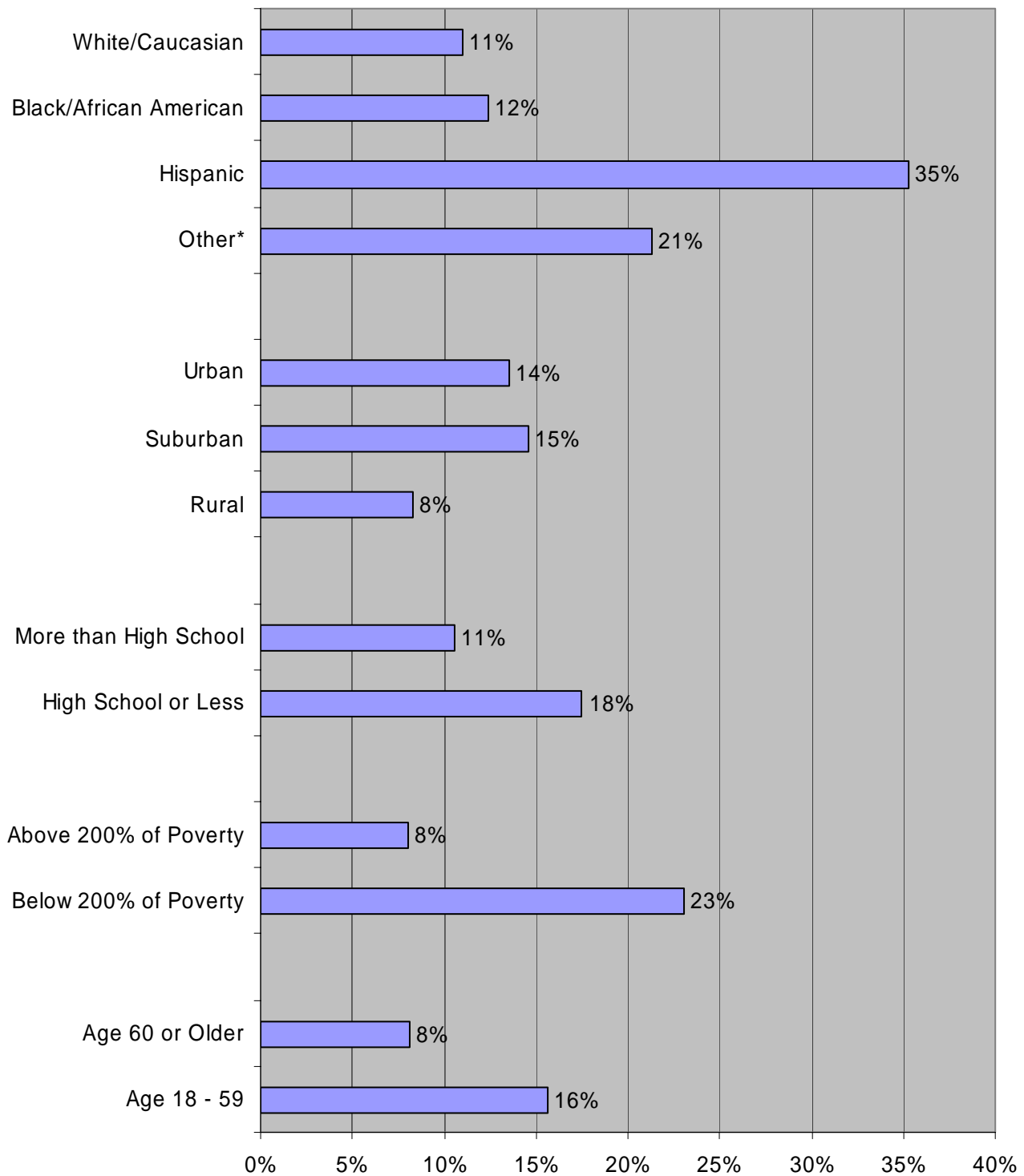
**IF YES: What kind of place do you go most often?**



**Supporting Data**

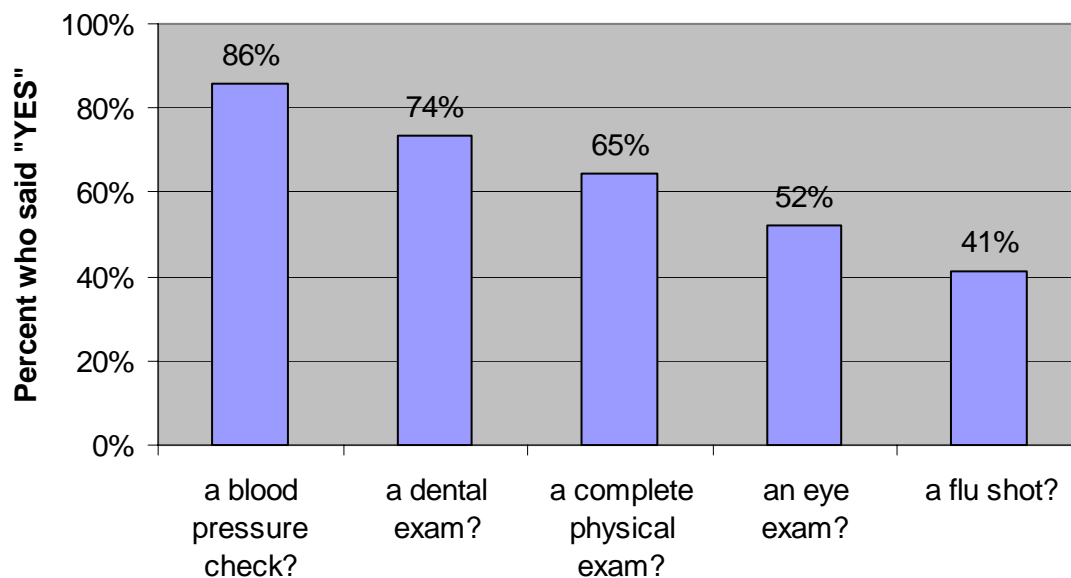
	Unweighted Count	Weighted Count	Weighted %
Yes	1086	1164.8	86.3
No	254	176.6	13.1
Multiple Places	3	2.8	0.2
Don't Know/Refused	8	5.9	0.4
Total	1351	1350.1	100.0

**By Selected Demographics: Percent who DO NOT have a usual source of care  
Kent County 2006**



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**In the past 12 months, have you had any of the following preventive measures or tests?  
Kent County 2005/2006**

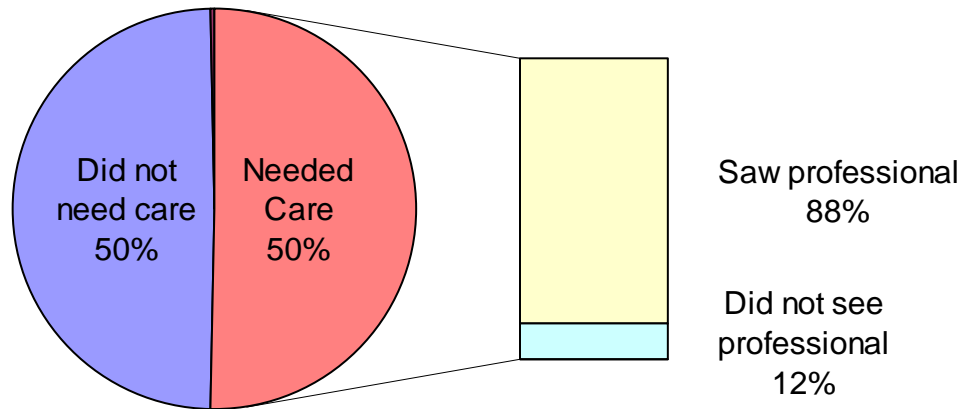


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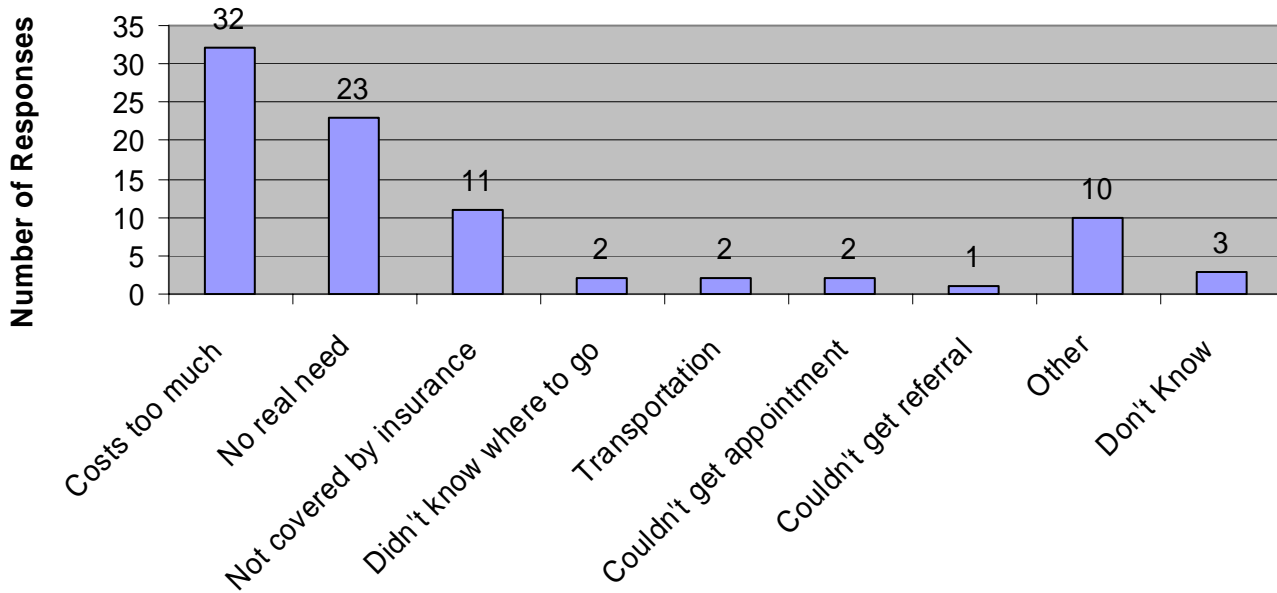
A complete physical exam				A dental exam			
	Unweighted Count	Weighted Count	Weighted %		Unweighted Count	Weighted Count	Weighted %
Yes	878	872.1	64.6	Yes	841	994.6	73.7
No	470	473.2	35.1	No	506	348.5	25.8
DK/Refused	3	4.7	0.3	DK/Refused	4	7.0	0.5
Total	1351	1350.1	100.0	Total	1351	1350.1	100.0
An eye exam				A blood pressure check by a doctor, nurse, etc.			
	Unweighted Count	Weighted Count	Weighted %		Unweighted Count	Weighted Count	Weighted %
Yes	643	704.9	52.2	Yes	1102	1156.2	85.6
No	706	640.7	47.5	No	247	189.4	14.0
DK/Refused	2	4.5	0.3	DK/Refused	2	4.5	0.3
Total	1351	1350.1	100.0	Total	1351	1350.1	100.0
A flu shot							
	Unweighted Count	Weighted Count	Weighted %				
Yes	491	556.5	41.2				
No	857	788.8	58.4				
DK/Refused	3	4.7	0.3				
Total	1351	1350.1	100.0				

**Question: In the past year, was there a time when you thought you needed medical care because you felt sick?**

**IF YES... Did you see a medical professional when you felt sick?  
Kent County 2005/2006**



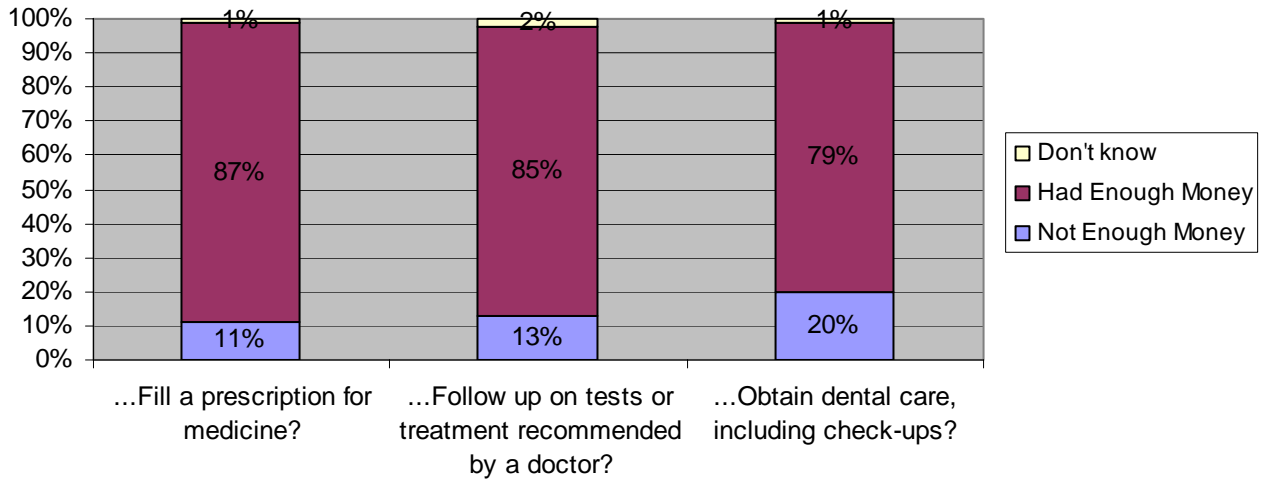
**What was the main reason that you did not see a medical professional when needed?**



**Supporting Data**

Was there a time when you thought you needed medical care?			
	Unweighted Count	Weighted Count	Weighted %
Yes, needed medical care	643	673.6	49.9
No, did not need care	702	670.1	49.6
Don't know/Refused	6	6.4	0.5
Did you see a medical professional when you felt sick?			
	Unweighted Count	Weighted Count	Weighted %
Needed medical care, have seen a medical professional for this reason	544	592.5	88.0
Needed medical care, have not seen a medical professional	98	80.8	12.0
Don't know/Refused	1	0.3	0.0

**Question: Were there any times in the past 12 months when you or other adults in your household did not have enough money to...?  
Kent County 2005/2006**



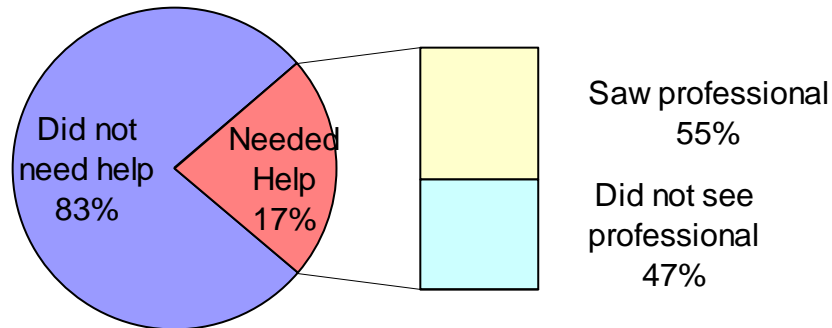
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...Fill a prescription for medicine			
	Unweighted Count	Weighted Count	Weighted %
Yes	239	153.0	11.3
No	1095	1178.9	87.3
Don't Know/Refused	17	18.2	1.3
Total	1351	1350.1	100.0
Follow up on tests or treatments recommended by a doctor			
	Unweighted Count	Weighted Count	Weighted %
Yes	255	177.2	13.1
No	1070	1143.7	84.7
Don't Know/Refused	26	29.1	2.2
Total	1351	1350.1	100.0
Obtain dental care including check-ups			
	Unweighted Count	Weighted Count	Weighted %
Yes	339	265.9	19.7
No	999	1071.1	79.3
Don't Know/Refused	13	13.1	1.0
Total	1351	1350.1	100.0

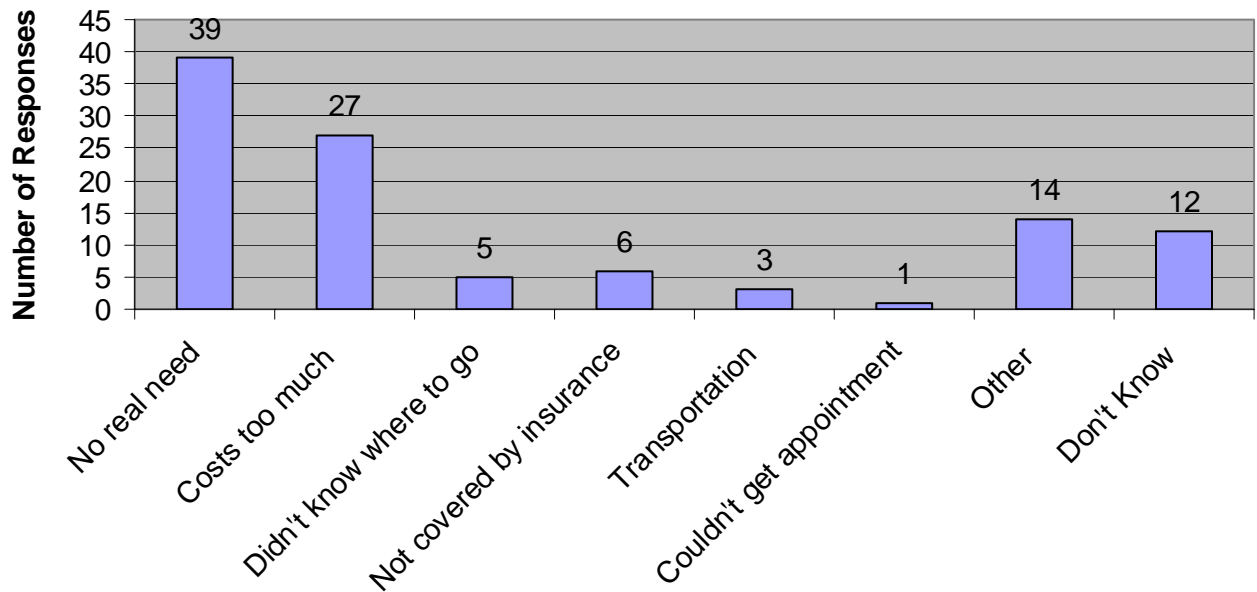


**Question: In the past year, was there a time when you thought you needed help because you felt depressed or anxious?**

**IF YES... Did you see a professional counselor when you thought you needed help?  
Kent County 2005/2006**



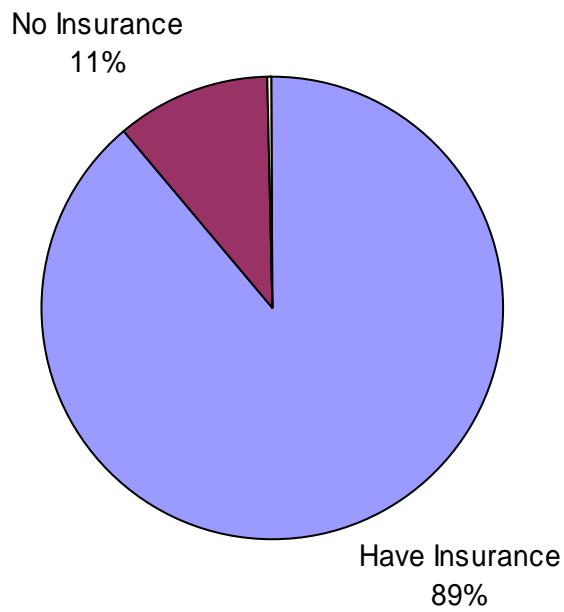
**What was the main reason that you did not obtain the professional help or counseling?**



**Supporting Data**

<b>Was there a time when you thought you needed help because you felt depressed or anxious?</b>			
	Unweighted Count	Weighted Count	Weighted %
Yes, needed medical care	270	217.9	16.1
No, did not need care	1073	1120.4	83.0
Don't know/Refused	8	11.8	0.9
<b>Did you see a professional counselor when you thought you needed help?</b>			
	Unweighted Count	Weighted Count	Weighted %
Needed medical care, have seen a medical professional for this reason	134	120.2	55.2
Needed medical care, have not seen a medical professional	135	97.5	44.7
Don't know/Refused	1	0.2	0.1

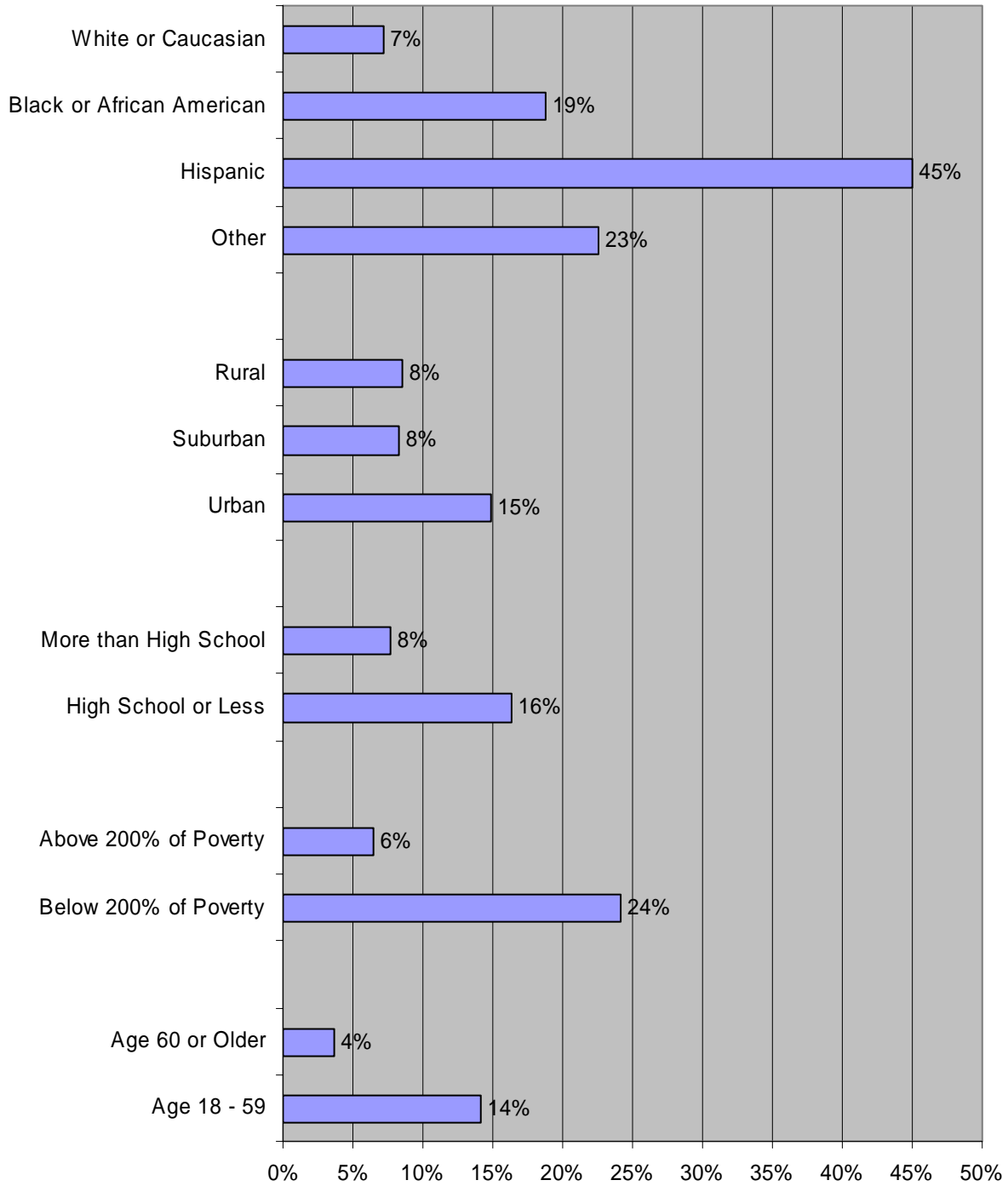
**Do you have any kind of health care coverage, including health insurance, prepaid plans such as HMO's, or government plans such as Medicare?  
Kent County 2006**



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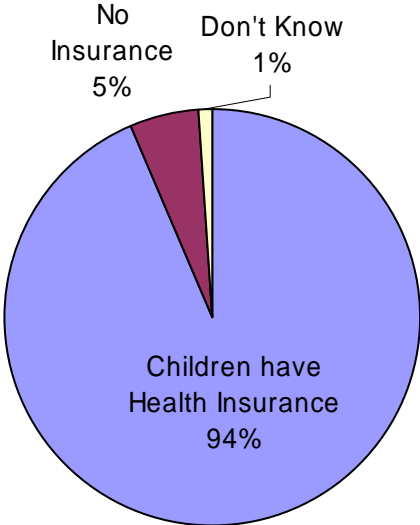
	Unweighted Count	Weighted Count	Weighted %
Yes	1051	1199.7	88.9
No	293	146.6	10.9
Don't Know/Refused	7	3.8	0.3
Total	1351	1350.1	100.0

**By Selected Demographics: Percent who DO NOT have  
any kind of health care coverage  
Kent County 2006**



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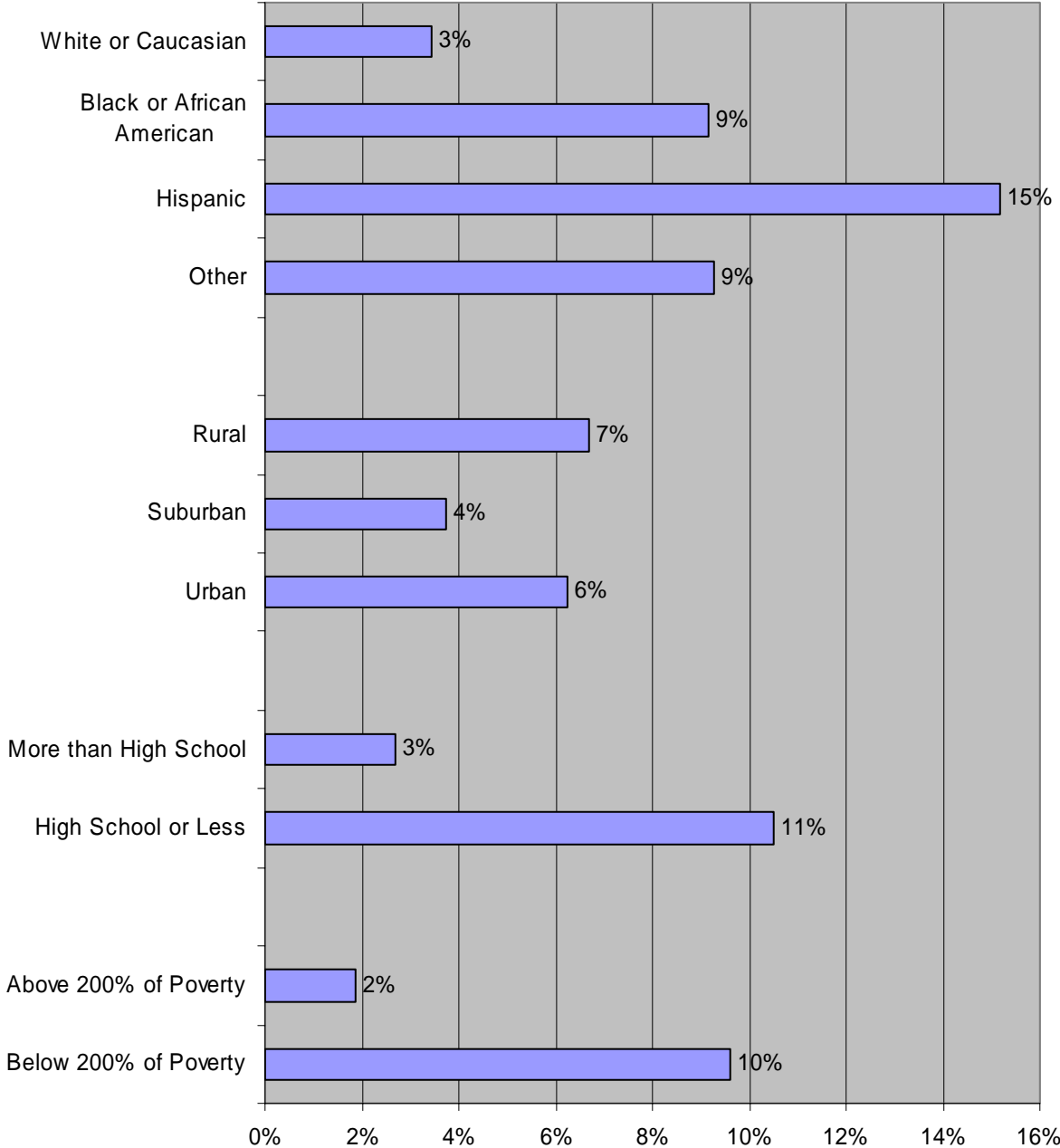
**Do your children (Ages 0 – 18) have health insurance?  
Kent County 2006**



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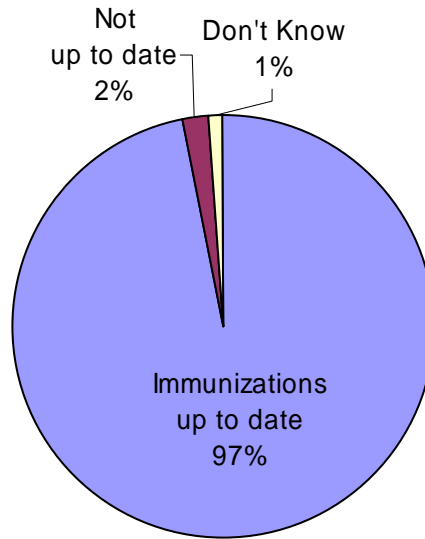
	Unweighted Count	Weighted Count	Weighted %
Yes	446	392.9	93.7
No	48	21.4	5.1
Don't Know/Refused	4	5.0	1.2
Total	498	419.3	100

**By Selected Demographics: Parents with children who  
DO NOT have health insurance for their children (ages 0 – 18)  
Kent County 2006**



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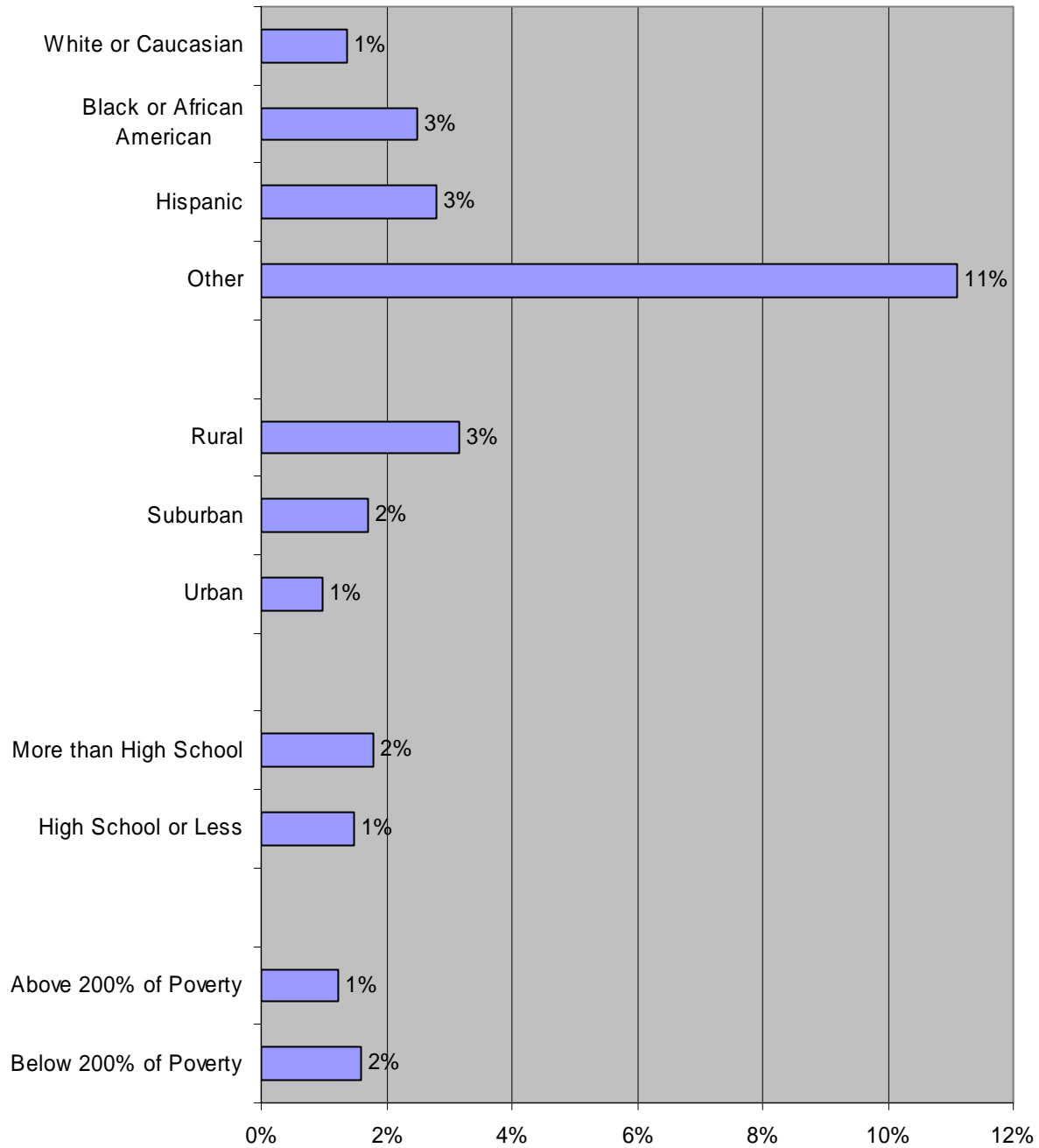
**Are your children's (Ages 0 – 18) immunizations up to date?  
Kent County 2006**



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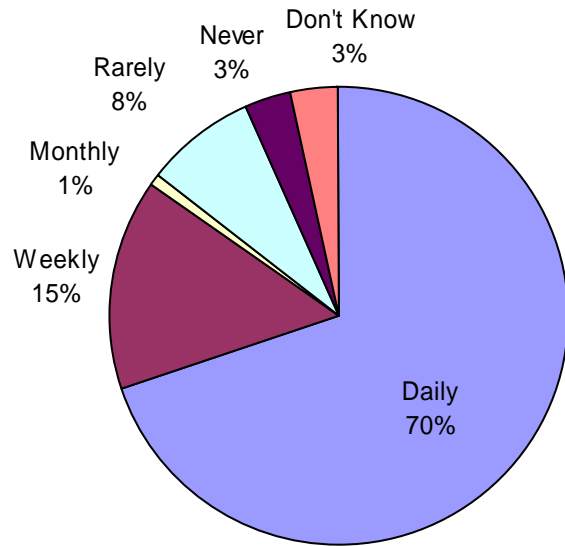
	Unweighted Count	Weighted Count	Weighted %
Yes	478	407.0	97.1
No	16	7.3	1.7
Don't Know/Refused	4	4.9	1.2
Total	498	419.3	100.0

**By Selected Demographics: Parents with children (Ages 0 – 18) who  
DO NOT have up-to-date immunizations  
Kent County 2006**



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**How often do you read to your children (Ages 0 – 5)?  
Kent County 2006**

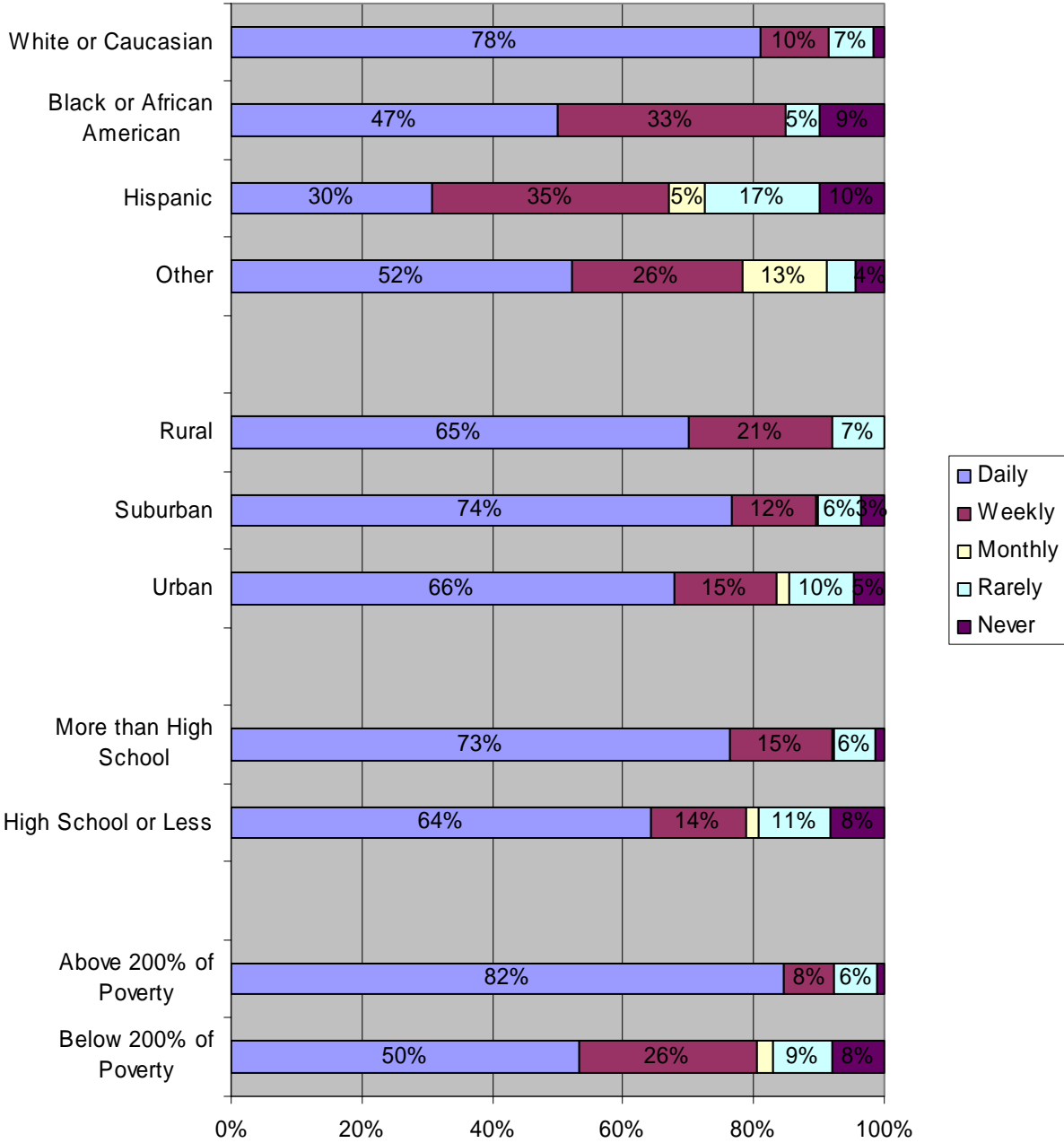


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	Unweighted Count	Weighted Count	Weighted %
Daily	107	121.6	69.8
Weekly	59	26.1	15.0
Monthly	8	1.5	0.9
Rarely	23	13.4	7.7
Never	15	5.7	3.3
Don't Know/Refused	7	5.8	3.4
Total	219	174.2	100.0

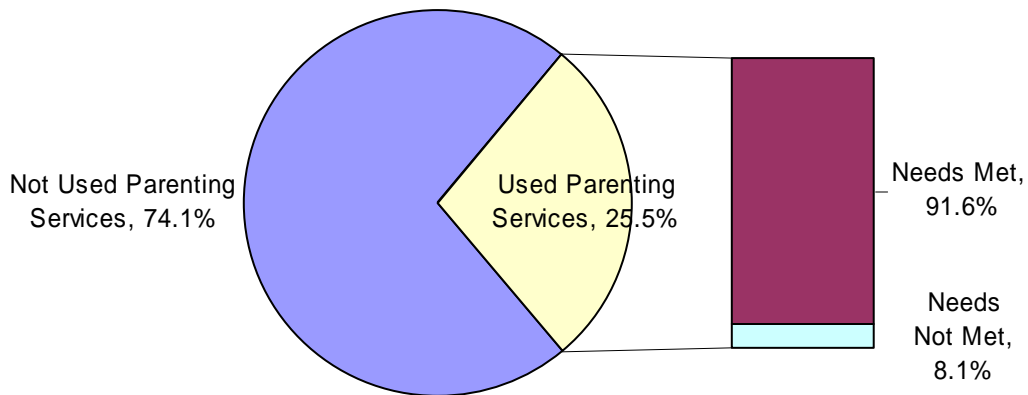


**By Selected Demographics: How often do you read to your children (Age 0 – 5)  
Kent County 2006**



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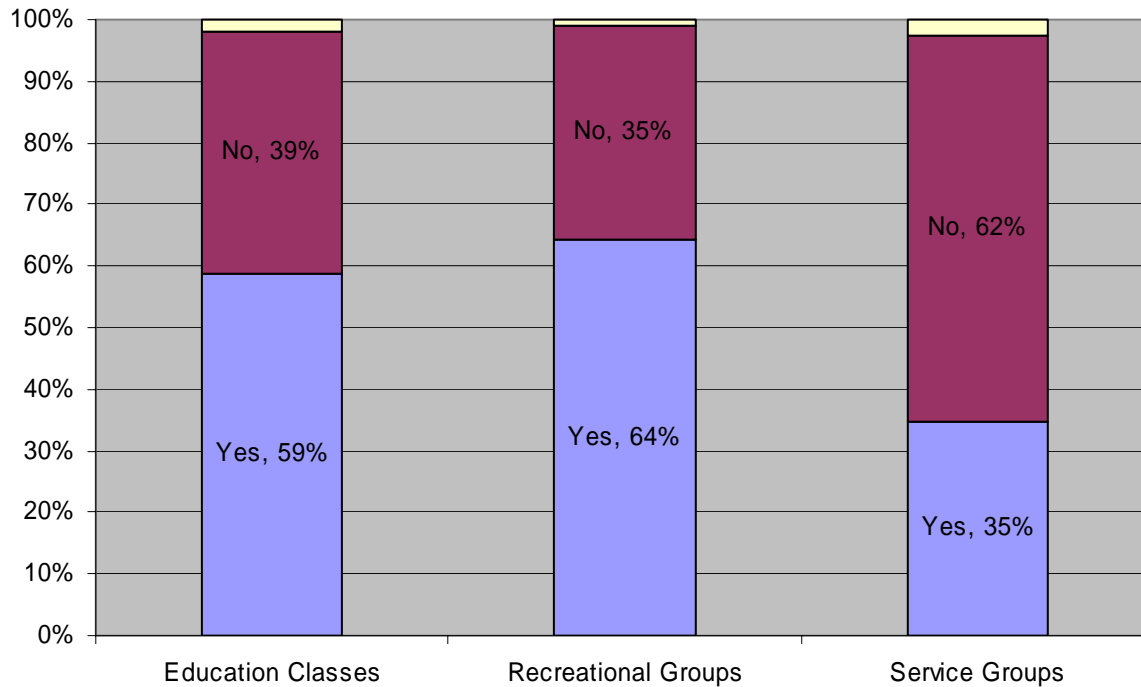
**Have you ever used services such as parenting classes, drop-in centers,  
or parent support groups?  
IF YES: Did the services meet your needs?  
Kent County 2006**



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<b>Used parenting resources</b>			
	Unweighted Count	Weighted Count	Weighted %
Yes	117	106.8	25.5
No	378	310.9	74.1
Don't Know/Refused	3	1.6	0.4
<b>Total</b>	<b>498</b>	<b>419.3</b>	<b>100.0</b>
<b>IF YES...Did the services meet your needs?</b>			
	Unweighted Count	Weighted Count	Weighted %
Yes	104	97.9	91.7
No	12	8.7	8.1
Don't Know/Refused	1	0.2	0.2
<b>Total</b>	<b>117</b>	<b>106.8</b>	<b>100.0</b>

## Do your children take part in any...? Kent County 2006

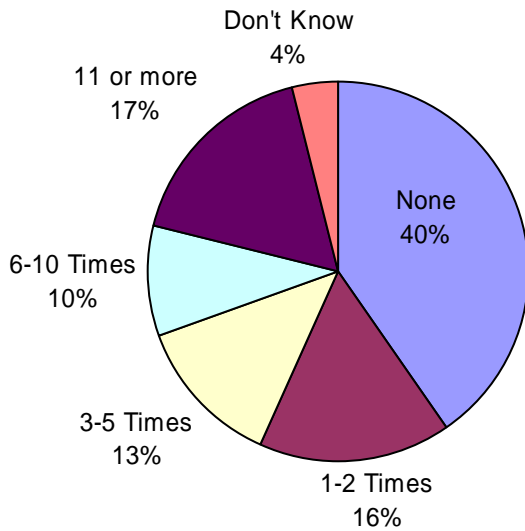


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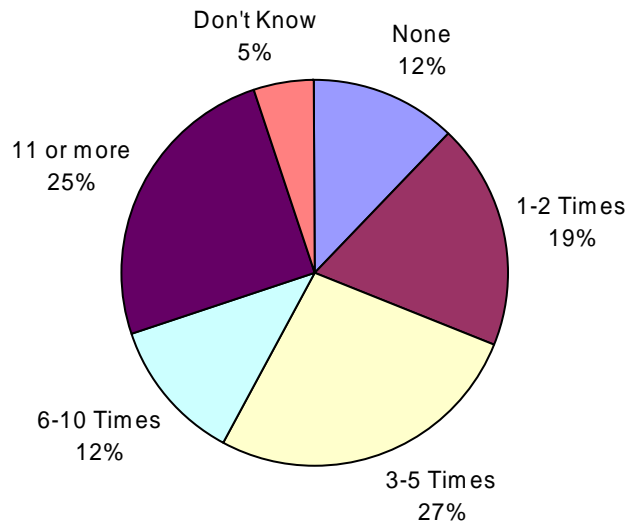
...Educational classes or activities outside of school?			
	Unweighted Count	Weighted Count	Weighted %
Yes	244	211.1	58.7
No	184	141.3	39.3
Don't Know/Refused	6	7.3	2.0
Total	434	359.7	100.0
...Recreational classes, groups, clubs, or leagues?			
	Unweighted Count	Weighted Count	Weighted %
Yes	231	231.5	64.4
No	198	125.0	34.8
Don't Know/Refused	5	3.2	0.9
Total	434	359.7	100.0
...Service groups, clubs or associations?			
	Unweighted Count	Weighted Count	Weighted %
Yes	131	125.3	34.8
No	296	224.7	62.5
Don't Know/Refused	7	9.7	2.7
Total	434	359.7	100.0

**In the past year, how many times have you done the following...?  
Kent County 2005/2006**

**...Volunteered at a school**



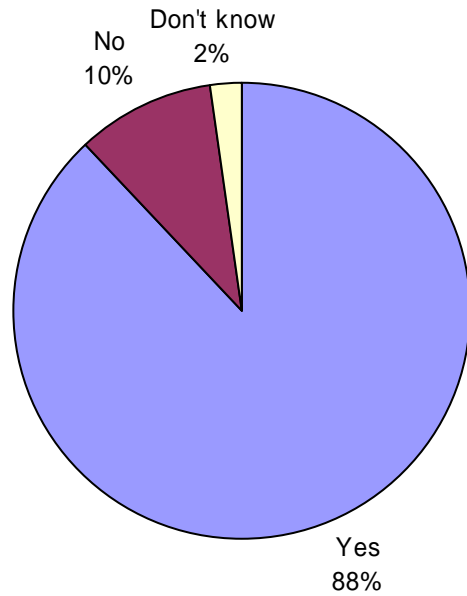
**...Communicated with a teacher about your child's academic progress**



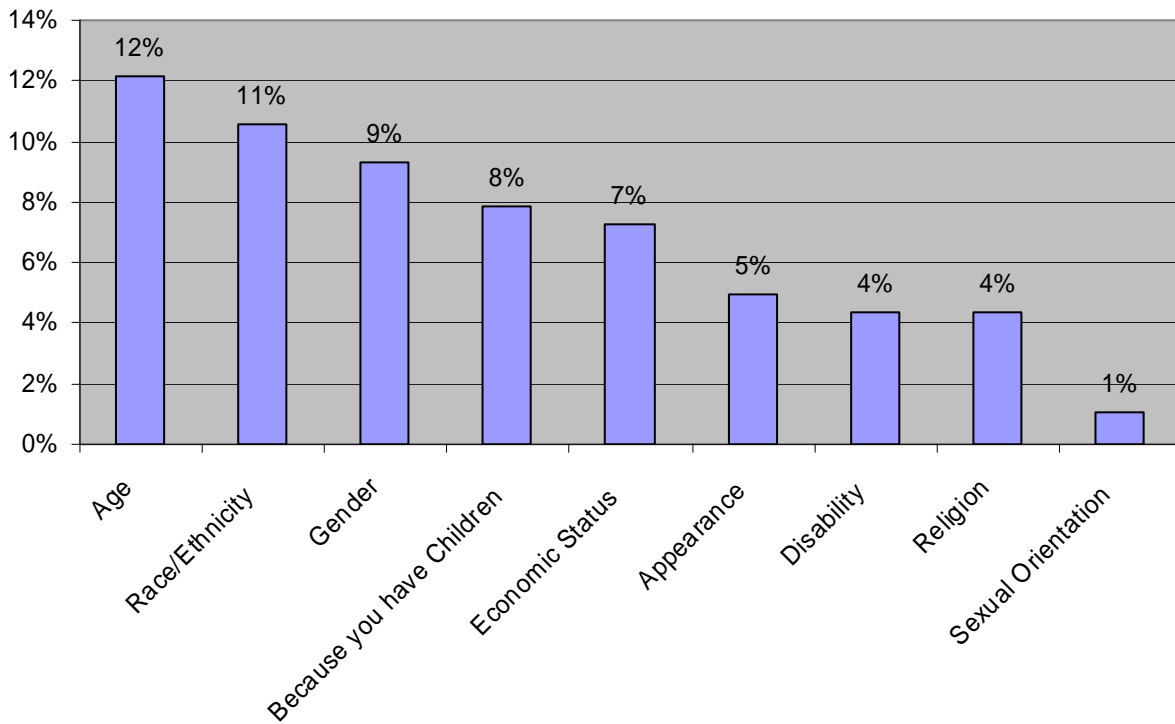
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<b>...volunteered at a school (such as serving on a committee, helping a teacher, or reading to children?)</b>			
	Unweighted Count	Weighted Count	Weighted %
None	182	127.7	34.1
1-2 Times	74	71.3	19.1
3-5 Times	57	48.3	12.9
6-10 Times	43	42.6	11.4
11 or more	78	76.2	20.4
Don't Know	17	7.7	2.1
Total	451	373.9	100
<b>...communicated with a teacher about your child's academic performance?</b>			
	Unweighted Count	Weighted Count	Weighted %
None	55	49.4	13.25
1-2 Times	85	77.4	20.75
3-5 Times	121	94.7	25.35
6-10 Times	54	39.2	10.5
11 or more	113	102.6	27.5
Don't Know	23	10.4	2.8
Total	451	373.9	100

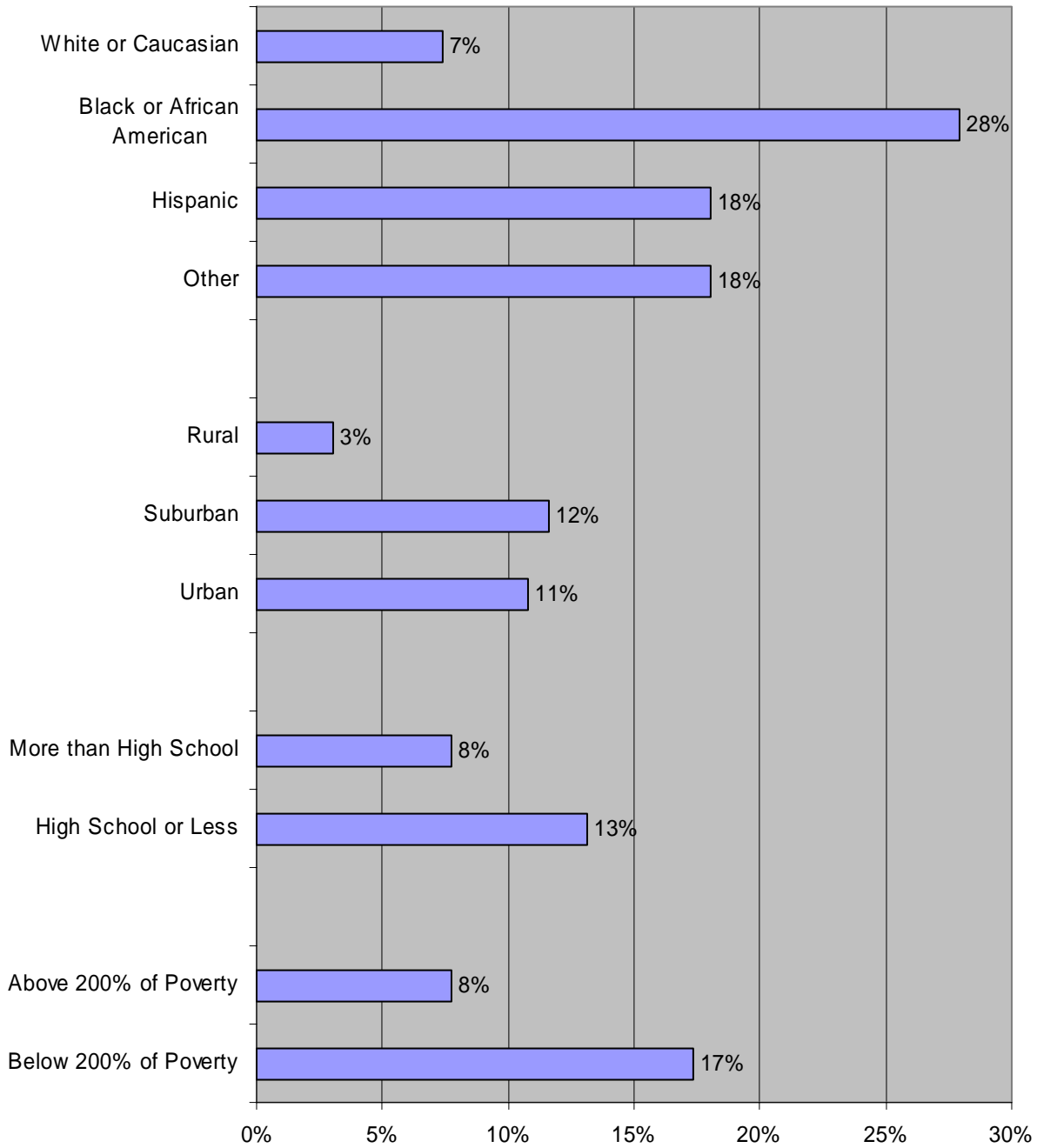
**Do you believe you and your family experience equal opportunity and treatment compared to others?  
Kent County 2006**



**In the past year, have you been discriminated against for any of the following reasons?**



**By Selected Demographics: Respondents who DO NOT feel that they and their family receives equal opportunities and treatment compared to others  
Kent County 2006**



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