

Arkansas Health & Opportunity for Me (ARHOME)

Health and Economic Outcomes Accountability
Oversight Advisory Panel



**ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF
HUMAN SERVICES**

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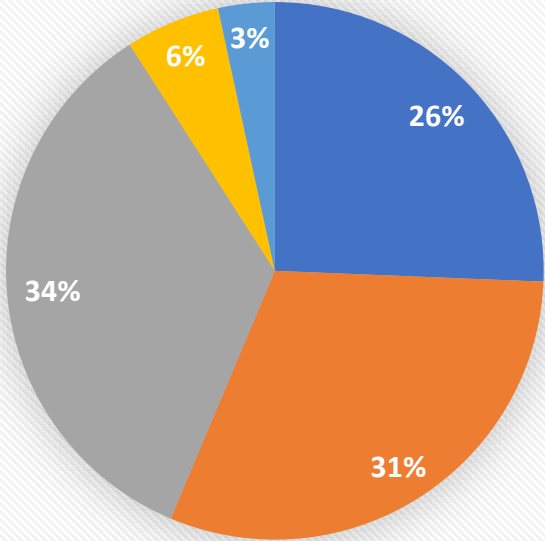
Birth Outcomes



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Medicaid Births

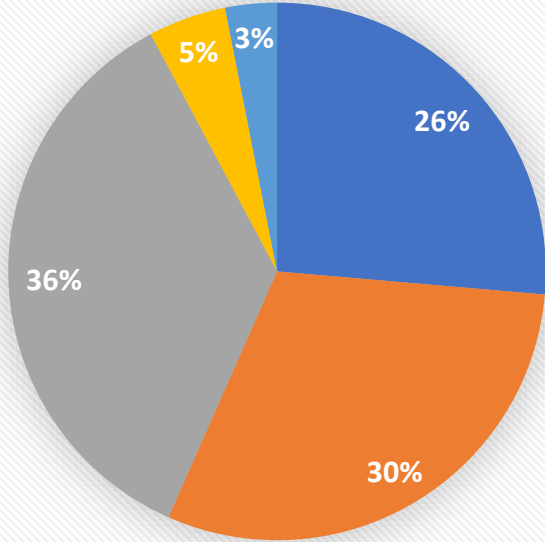
2019 Medicaid Births



- ARWorks
- Parent Caretaker Relative
- Pregnant Woman Full Benefits
- Pregnant Woman Limited Benefits
- Other

Total Arkansas Births: 36,564
Total AR Medicaid Births: 20,802

2020 Medicaid Births



- ARWorks
- Parent Caretaker Relative
- Pregnant Woman Full Benefits
- Pregnant Woman Limited Benefits
- Other

Total Arkansas Births: 35,251
Total AR Medicaid Births: 20,908

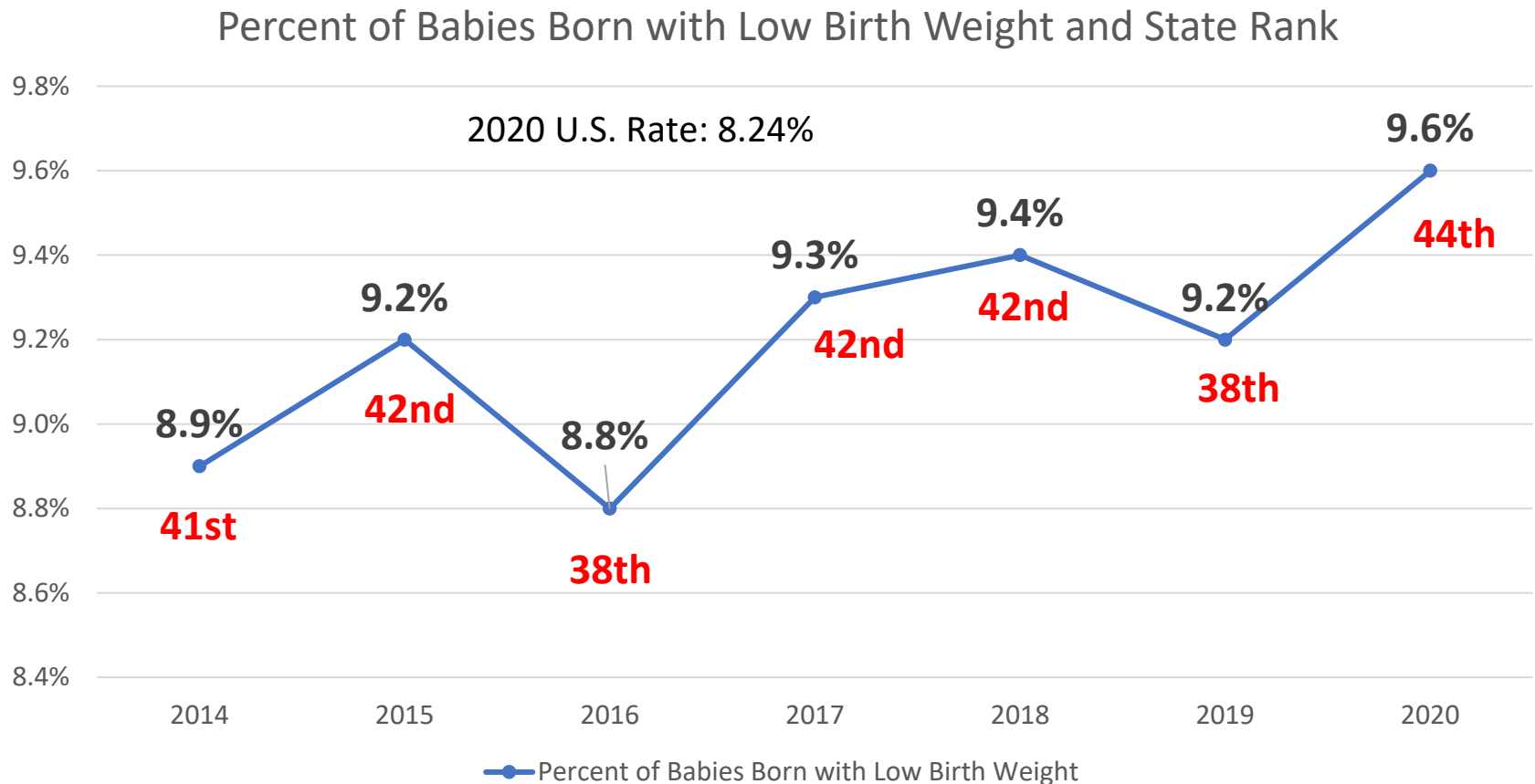
ARHOME Birth Outcomes

- Matched pregnant women in ARHOME with Arkansas Department of Health birth certificates
- Match provided the baby's birth weight and term/preterm delivery
- Match counted if mother was in ARHOME on the date of delivery

CY	ARHOME Overall	Segments within ARHOME									
		By Qualified Health Plan (QHP)				By Urban/Rural		By Race/Ethnicity			
		Blue Cross Blue Shield	Ambetter	QCA	Qual Choice	Urban	Rural	White	Black	Other	Unknown
2019	4,952	2,573	1,214	508	508	2,824	2,107	2,604	1,219	479	650
2020	5,136	2,266	1,093	841	545	2,918	2,181	2,696	1,186	482	772

Low Birth Weight: Arkansas

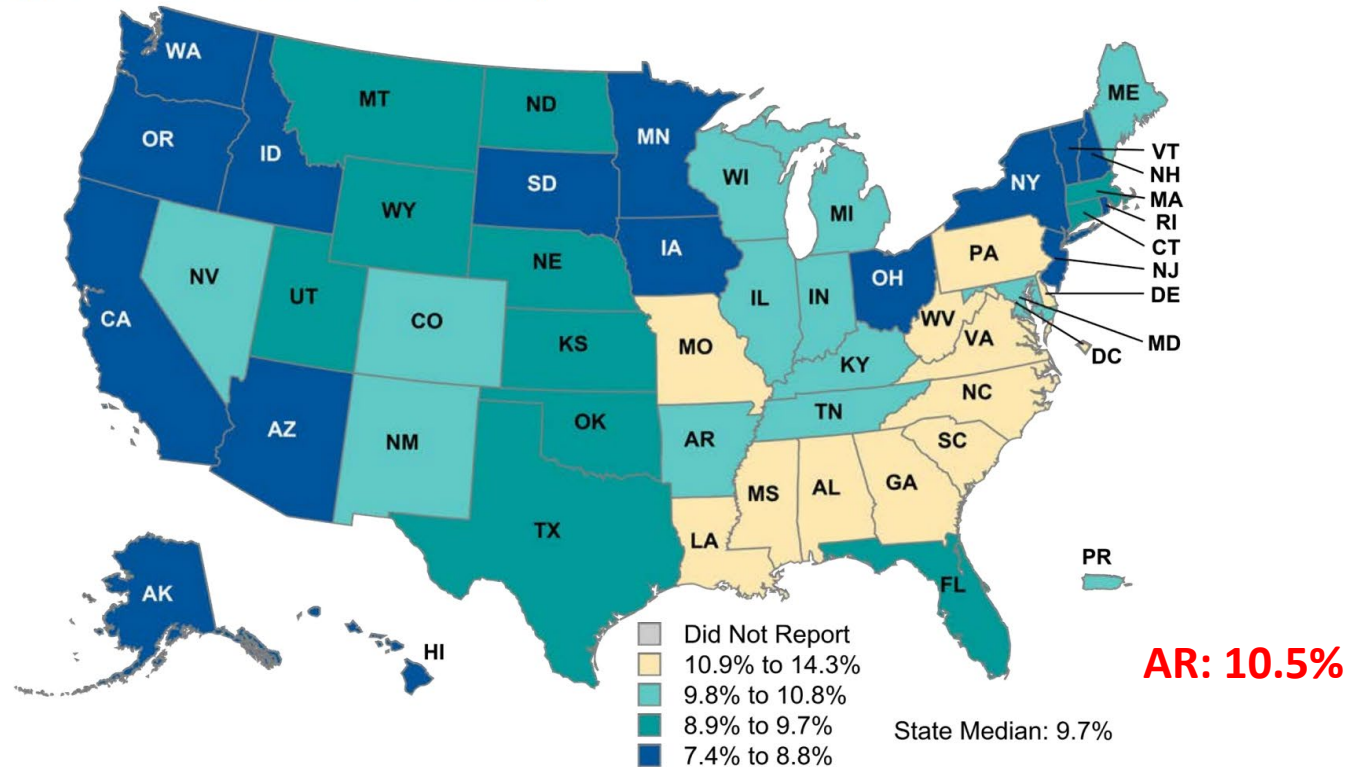
Definition: % of babies born weighing less than 2,500 grams or 5 lbs. 8oz.



Medicaid Low Birth Weight, CY2019

Live Births Weighing Less Than 2,500 Grams (continued)

Geographic Variation in the Percentage of Live Births Weighing Less Than 2,500 Grams (LBW-CH), FFY 2020 (n = 52 states) [Lower rates are better for this measure]



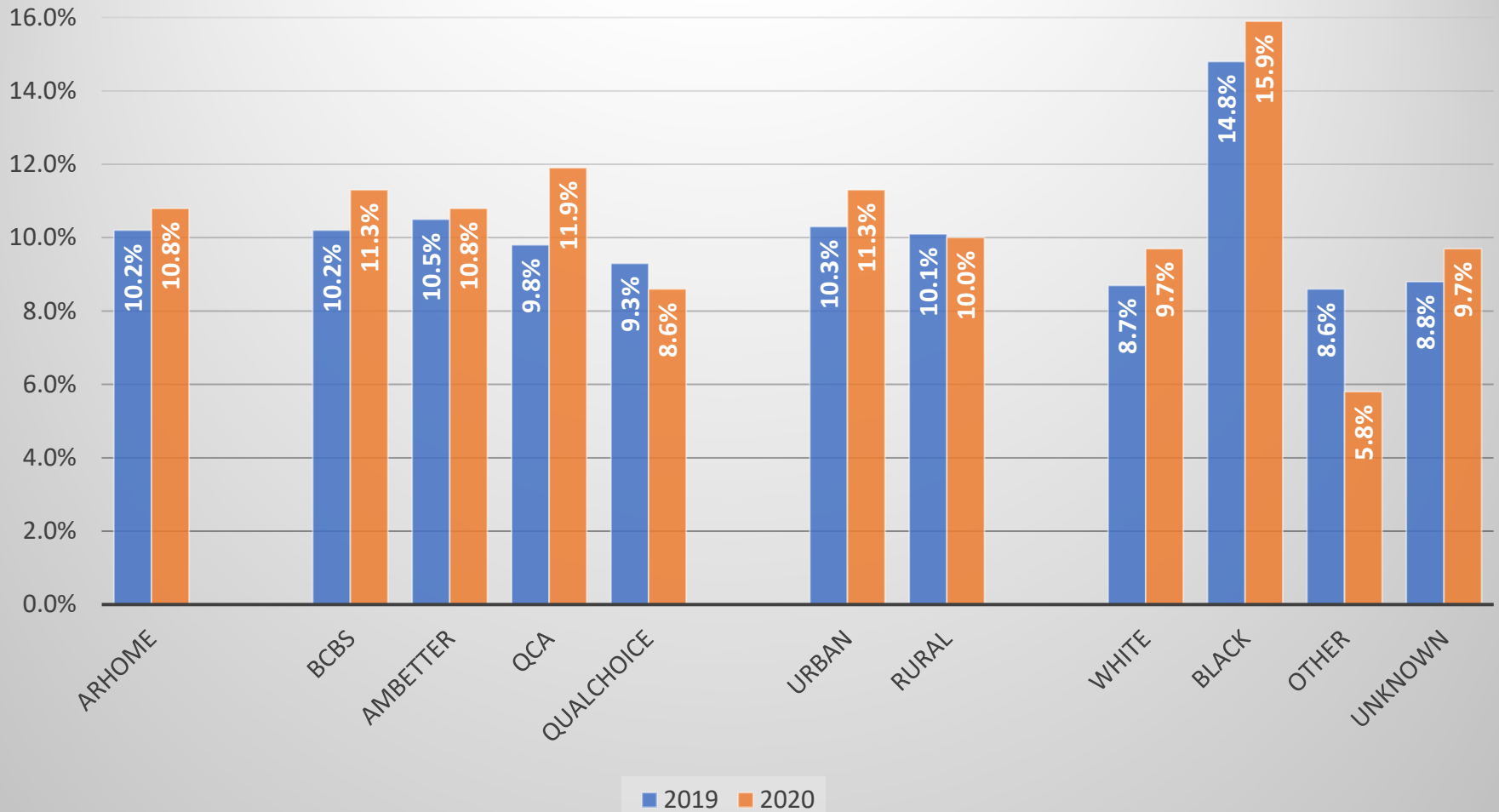
Sources: Mathematica analysis of MACPro reports for the FFY 2020 reporting cycle as of June 18, 2021 and National Vital Statistics System Natality data obtained through Centers for Disease Control and Prevention Wide-ranging Online Data for Epidemiologic Research (CDC WONDER) for calendar year 2019.

Notes: The term "states" includes the 50 states, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico. When a state reported separate rates for its Medicaid and CHIP populations, the rate for the larger measure-eligible population was used.



ARHOME Low Birthweight

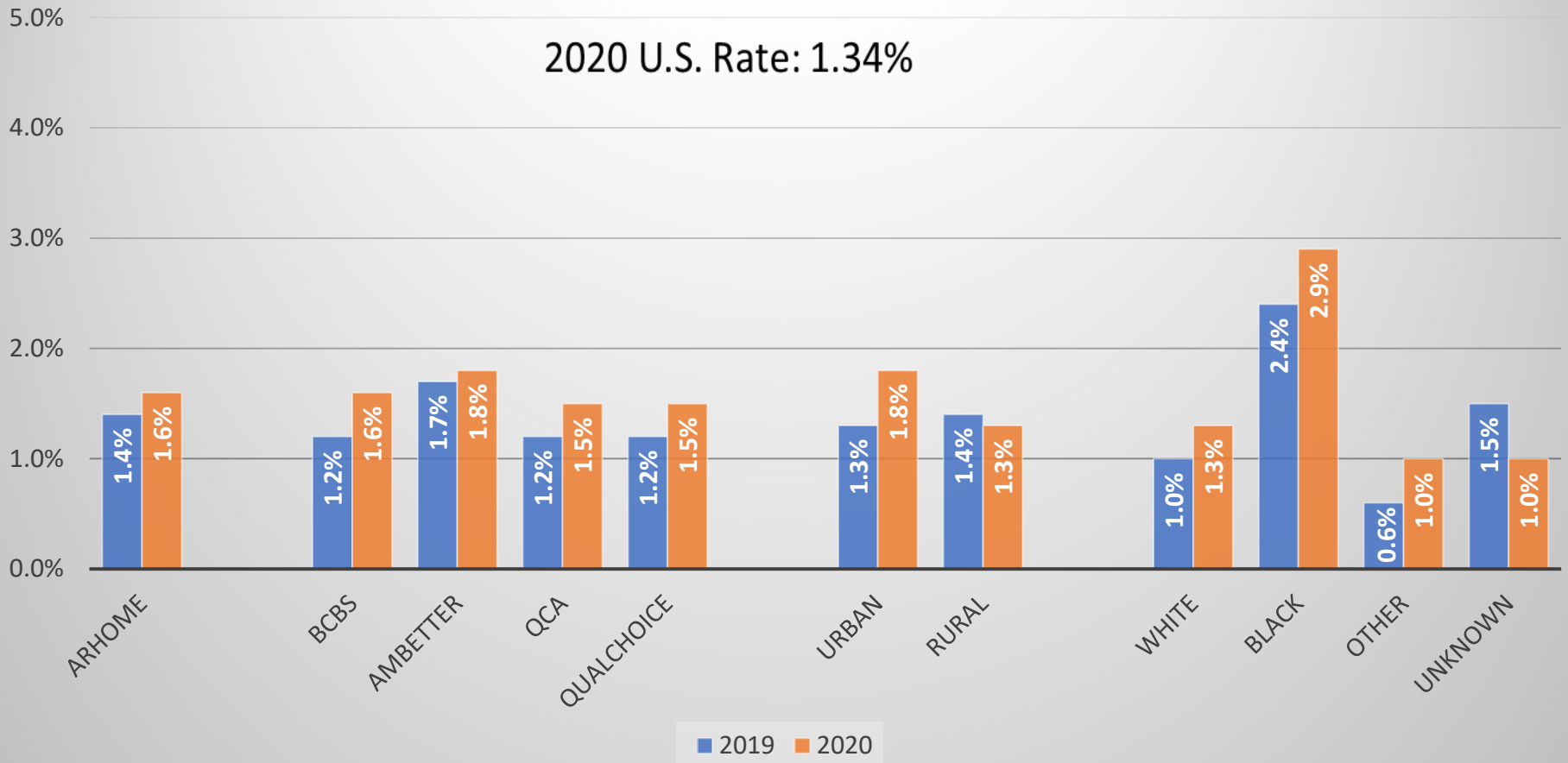
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ARHOME Very Low Birth Weight

Definition: Percent of babies born weighing less than 1,500 grams (3 lb 4 oz)

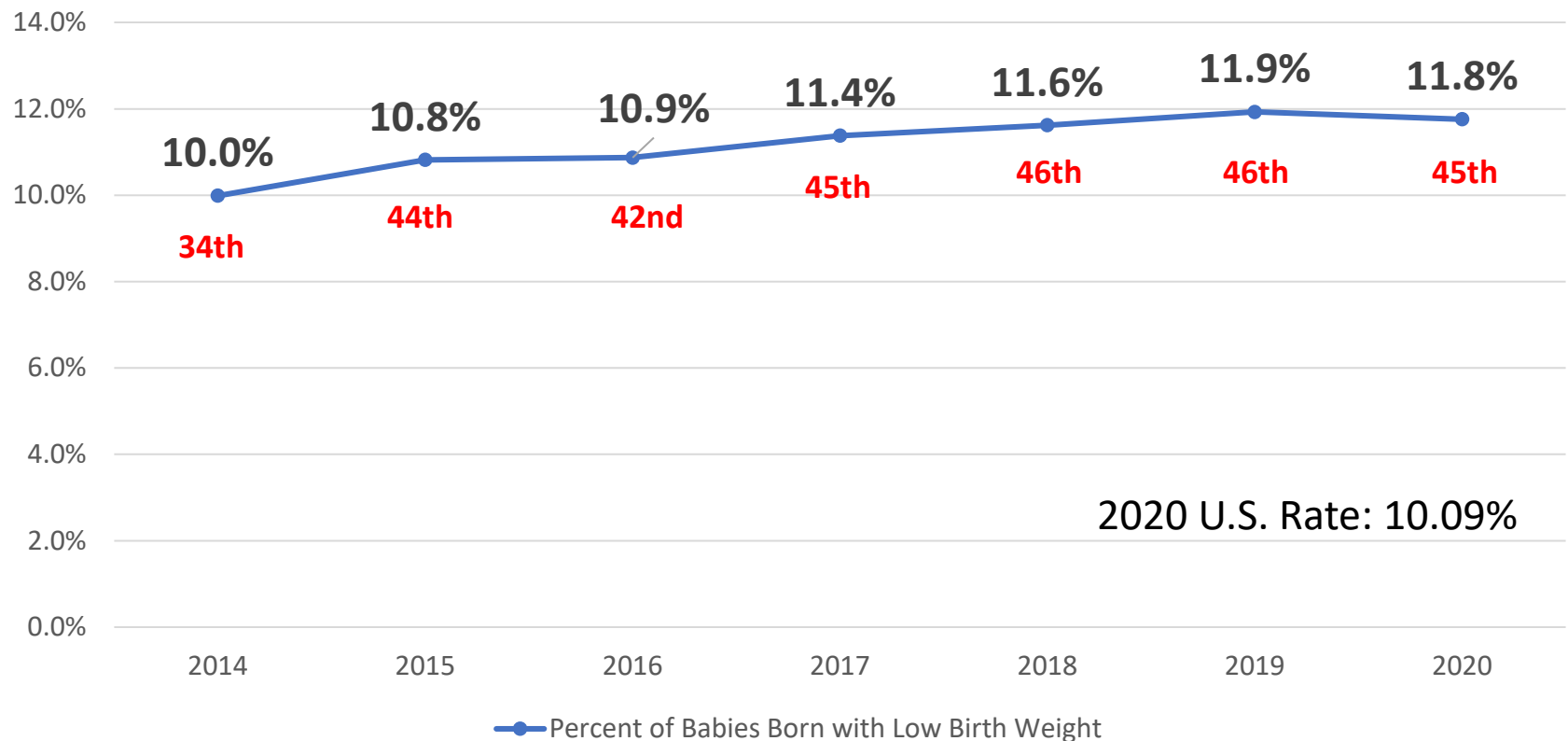
2020 U.S. Rate: 1.34%



Preterm Births: Arkansas

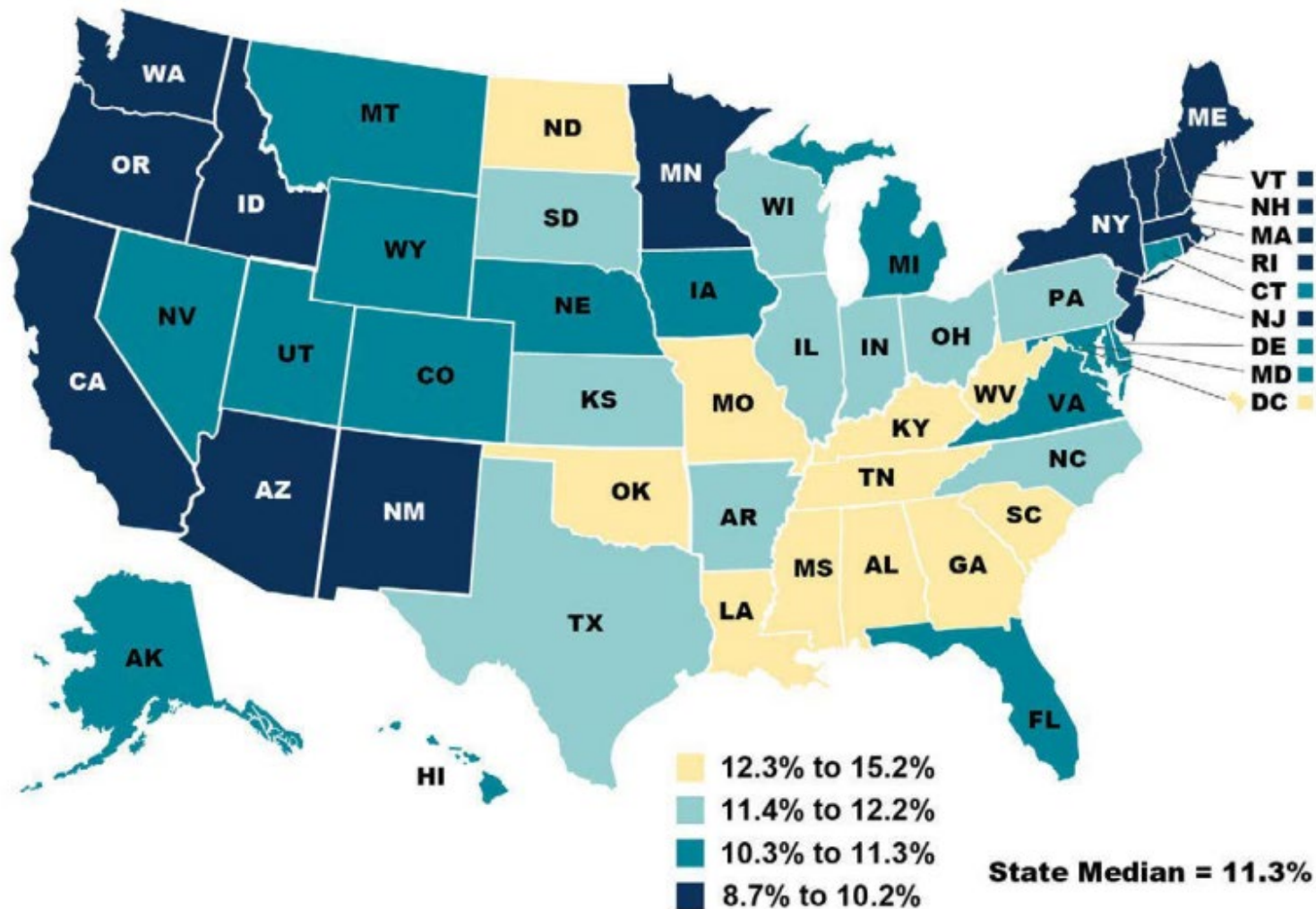
Definition: Babies born prior to 37 weeks of pregnancy (gestation)

Percent of Babies Born Preterm and State Rank



Percentage of Preterm (<37 Weeks) Births, by State: Births Paid by Medicaid, 2018

[Lower rates are better for this measure]

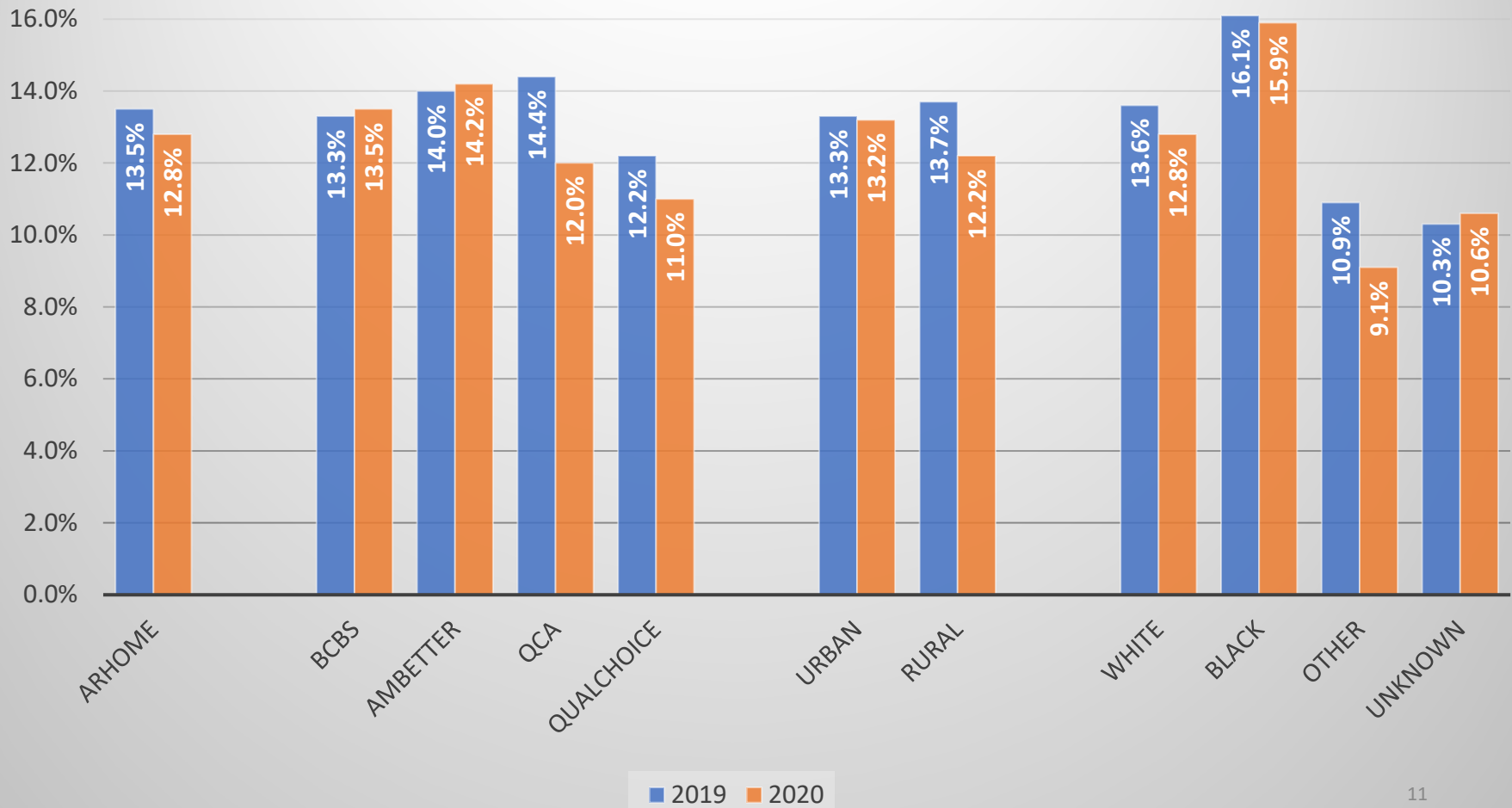


Source: [Medicaid and CHIP Beneficiary Profile: Maternal and Infant Health December 2020](#)

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ARHOME Preterm Births

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Proposed Birth Outcome Targets for 2023

Measure	Reporting Category	CY	AR Works Overall	By Qualified Health Plan			
				Blue Cross Blue	Ambetter	QCA	Qual Choice
<i>Maternal and Perinatal Care</i>							
Low Birth Weight	Percentage of live births weighing < 2,500 grams	2019	10.2%	10.2%	10.5%	9.8%	9.3%
		2020	10.8%	11.3%	10.8%	11.9%	8.6%
Very Low Birth Weight	Percentage of live births weighing < 1,500 grams	2019	1.4%	1.2%	1.7%	1.2%	1.2%
		2020	1.6%	1.6%	1.8%	1.5%	1.5%
Pre-Term Birth	Percentage of live births 17 - 36 weeks gestation	2019	13.5%	13.1%	14.0%	14.4%	12.2%
		2020	12.8%	13.5%	14.2%	12.0%	11.0%

Social Determinants of Health Background Data



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Connection Between Health and Poverty

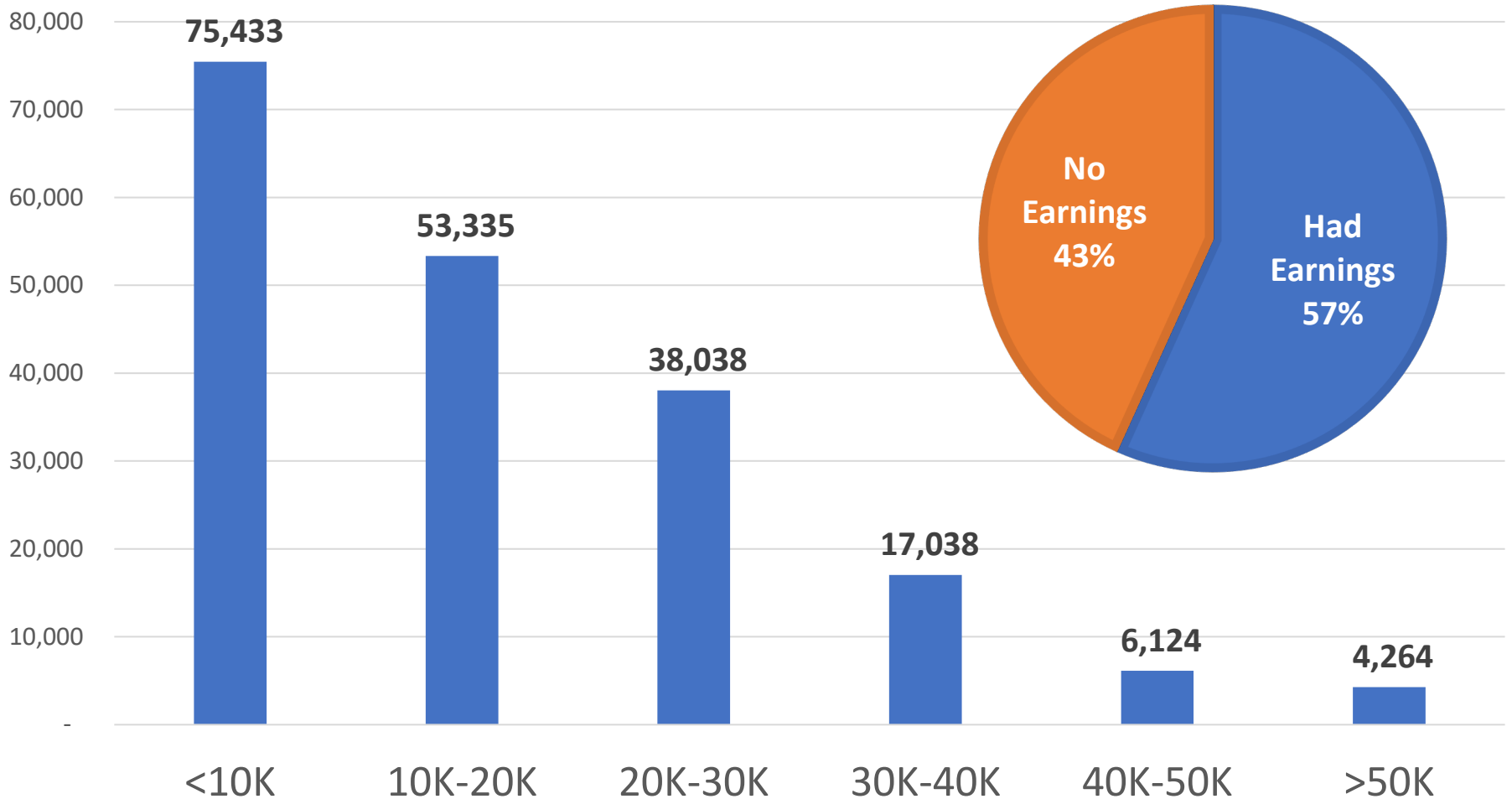
“The prevalence of poverty in the United States is an important public health issue. In 2015, approximately 43 million Americans lived in poverty.

...[R]esearchers agree that there is a **clear and established relationship between poverty, socioeconomic status, and health outcomes**—including increased risk for disease and premature death.”

—Healthy People 2020 report



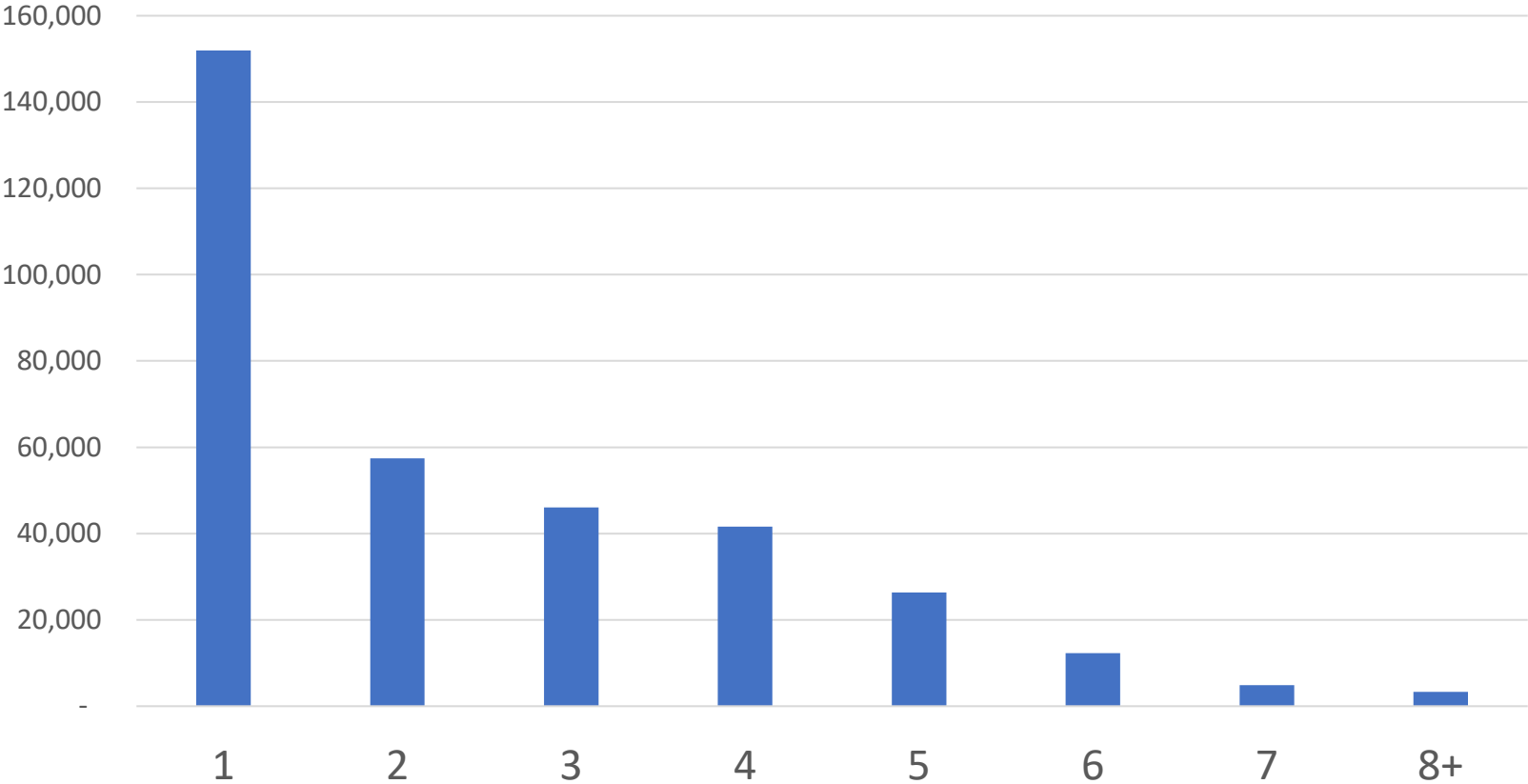
ARHOME Enrollee Earnings



Total Enrollees with Earnings CY2021: 194,232

ARHOME Clients by Household Size

Household Size

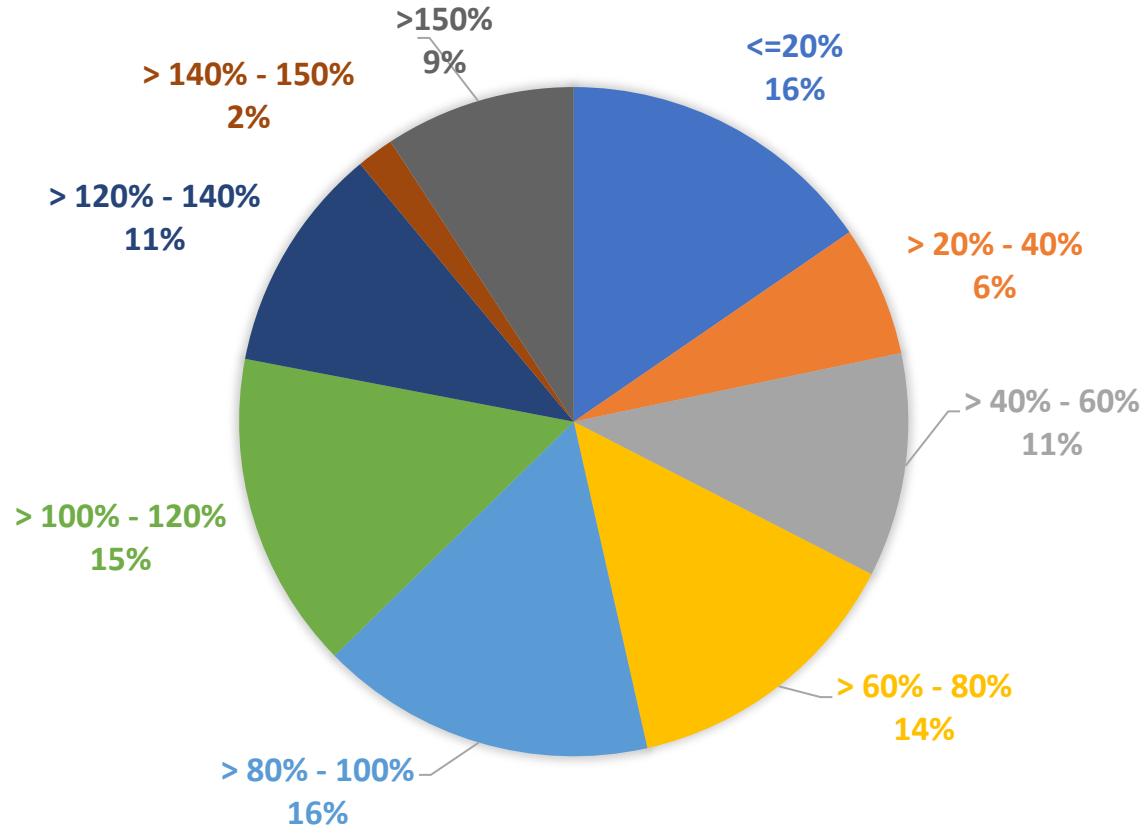


Source: ARIES, ARHOMES revised 04.08.2022

ARHOME Clients with Dependent Children

- 39% of ARHOME clients (about 136,000) have dependent children

ARHOME ENROLLEES WITH DEPENDENT CHILDREN, BY
FEDERAL POVERTY LEVEL

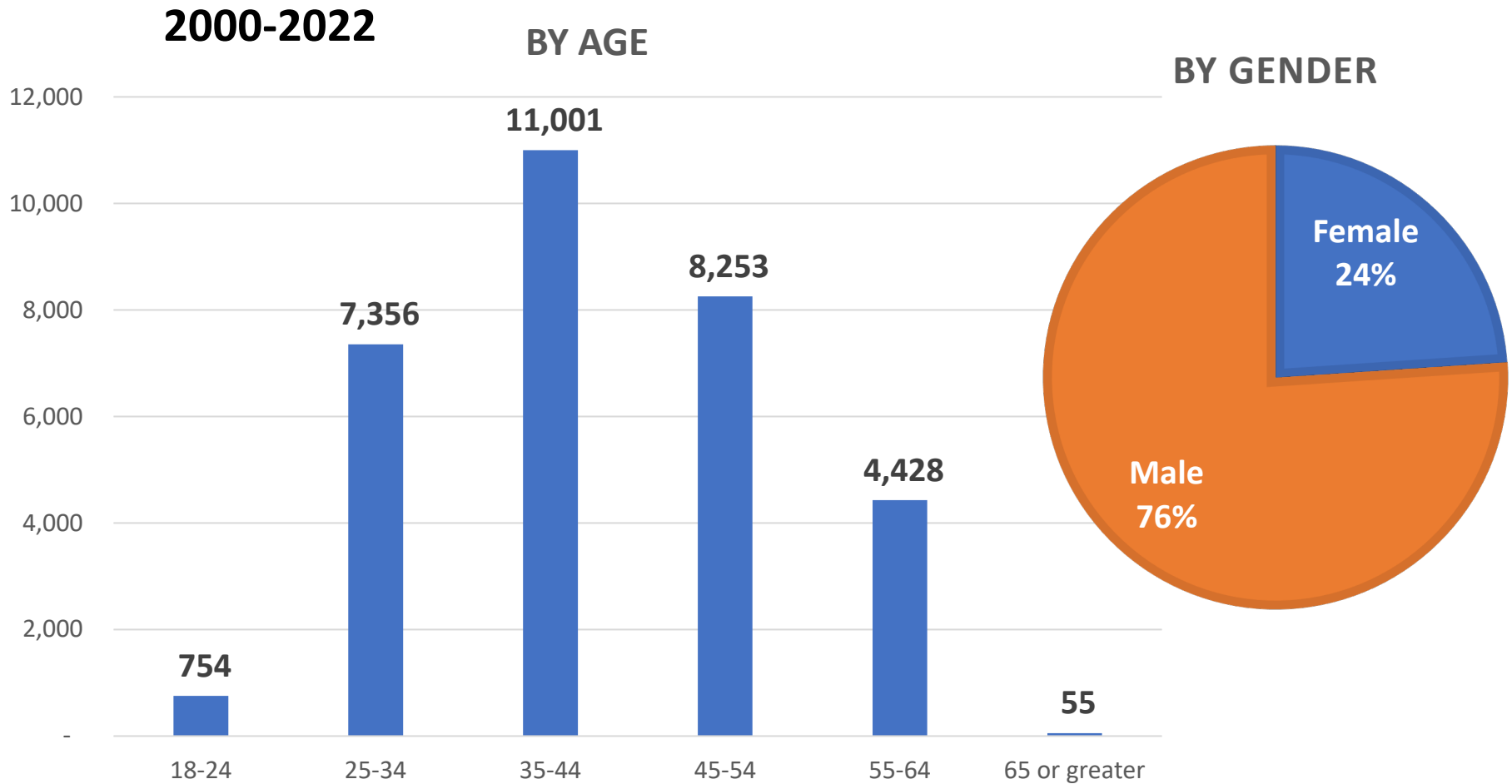


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ARHOME Clients with Low-Income Childcare Assistance

- Low-income childcare assistance without a copay is available for households under about 100% FPL
- Low-income childcare assistance with a copay is available for households between about 100% FPL and 225% FPL
- About **12,800** Arkansas households receive childcare assistance
- About **4,300** head of households receiving childcare assistance are ARHOME enrollees

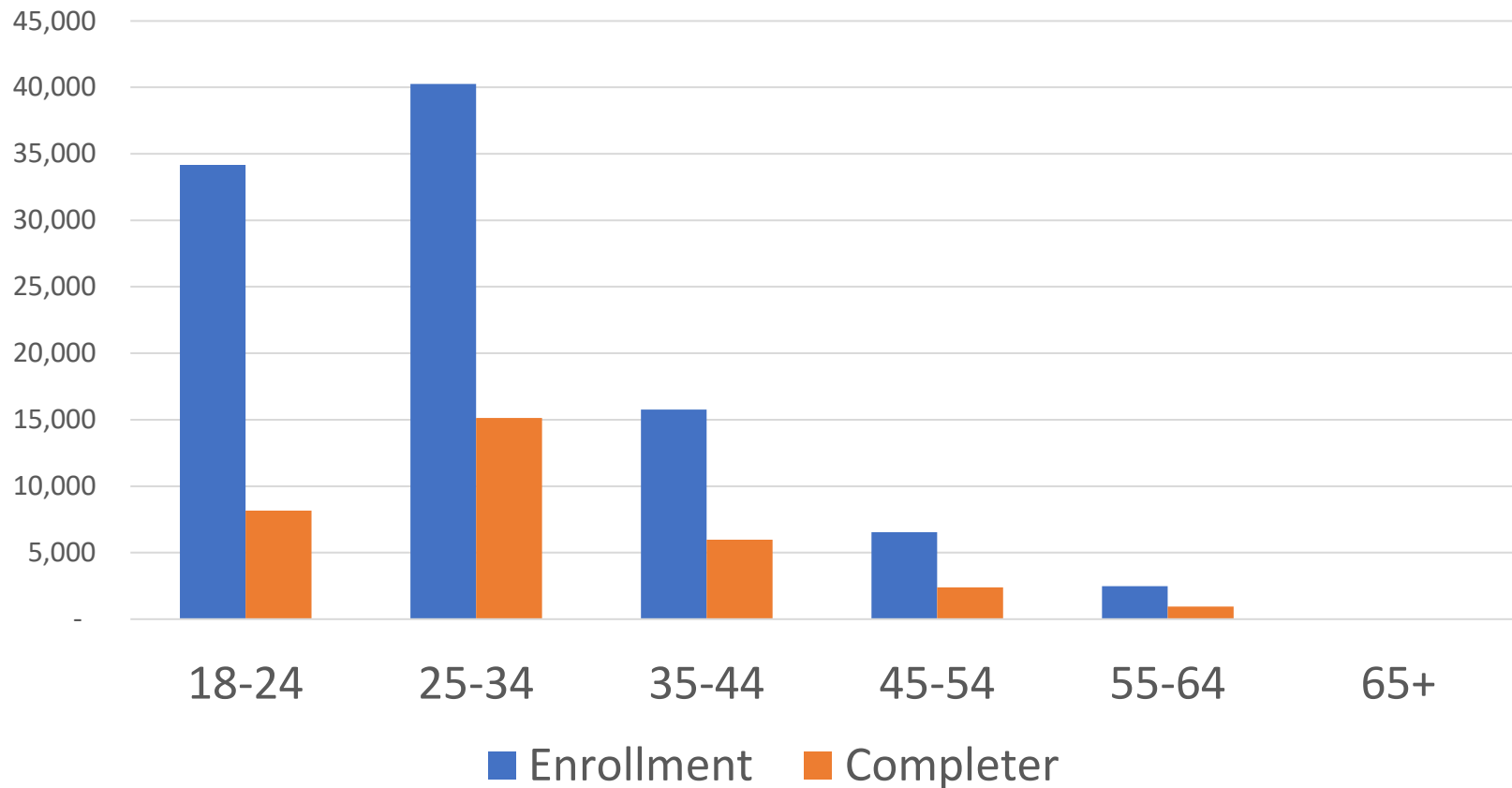
Formerly Incarcerated ARHOME Enrollees



Total Formerly Incarcerated: 31,847

ARHOME Postsecondary Education

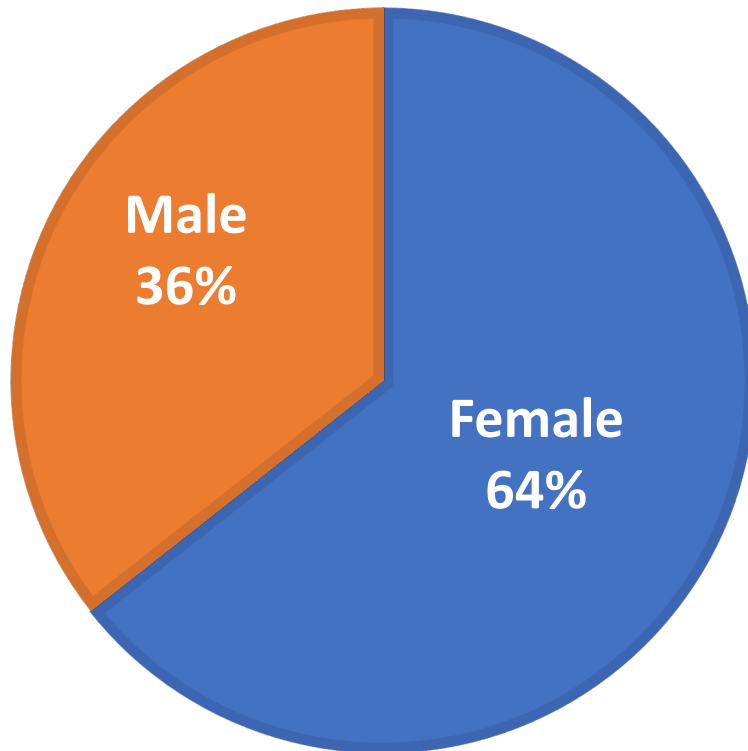
2011-2022



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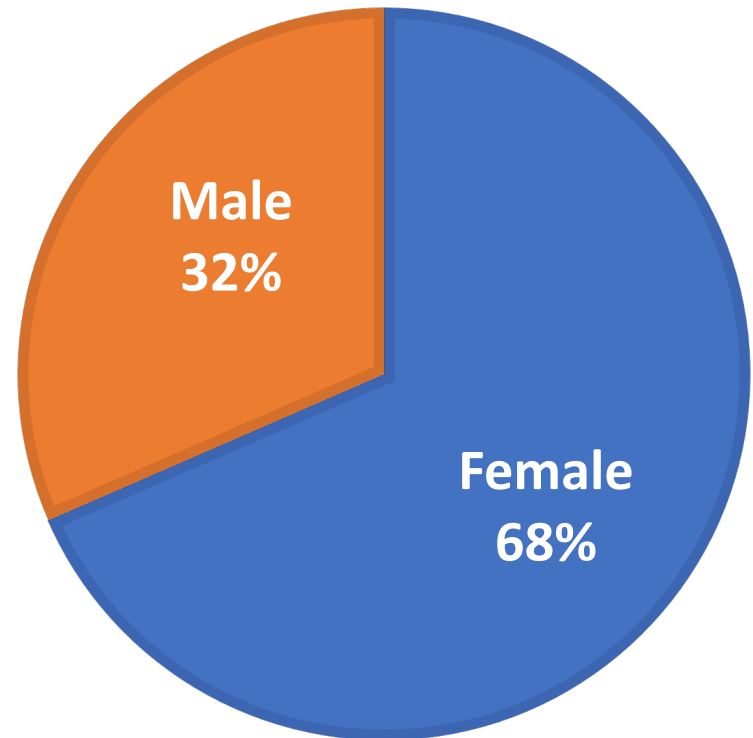
2011-2022

ENROLLMENT



Total Enrolled: 99,248

COMPLETERS



Total Completers: 32,626 ²¹

ARHOME Program Updates



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Life360 HOME Update

- The concept: DHS contracts with hospitals to provide or contract to provide intensive care coordination ARHOME enrollees most at risk
- Three types of Life360 HOMES:
 - ✓ **Maternal** Life360 HOMES: home visiting services to women with high-risk pregnancies
 - ✓ **Rural** Life360 HOMES: care coordination services to individuals with serious mental illness or substance abuse disorders living in rural areas
 - ✓ **Success** Life360 HOMES: help with life skills and social-related health needs for young adults most at risk
- CMS supports the concept, but has not yet formally approved as they are updating budget neutrality policies to advance projects like Life360 HOMES

Update on Cost Sharing

- For 2022, CMS approved cost sharing as established in 2021: Clients above 100% FPL in a QHP are subject to **\$13/mo. premium** and **\$4/\$8 copays up to \$60 per quarter**.
- CMS will not allow clients to be charged a **premium** after 2022.
- For 2023, we will submit a state plan amendment to charge **\$4.70/\$9.40 copays** with quarterly caps based on the client's FPL:
 - 0-20% FPL: \$0
 - > 20%-40% FPL: \$27
 - >40%-60% FPL: \$54
 - >60%-80% FPL: \$81
 - >80%-100% FPL: \$108
 - >100%-120% FPL: \$135
 - >120%-138% FPL: \$163
- Some populations (e.g., pregnant women) and services (e.g., emergency treatment) will be **exempt from copays**.

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