

# Youth Employment in Washington State

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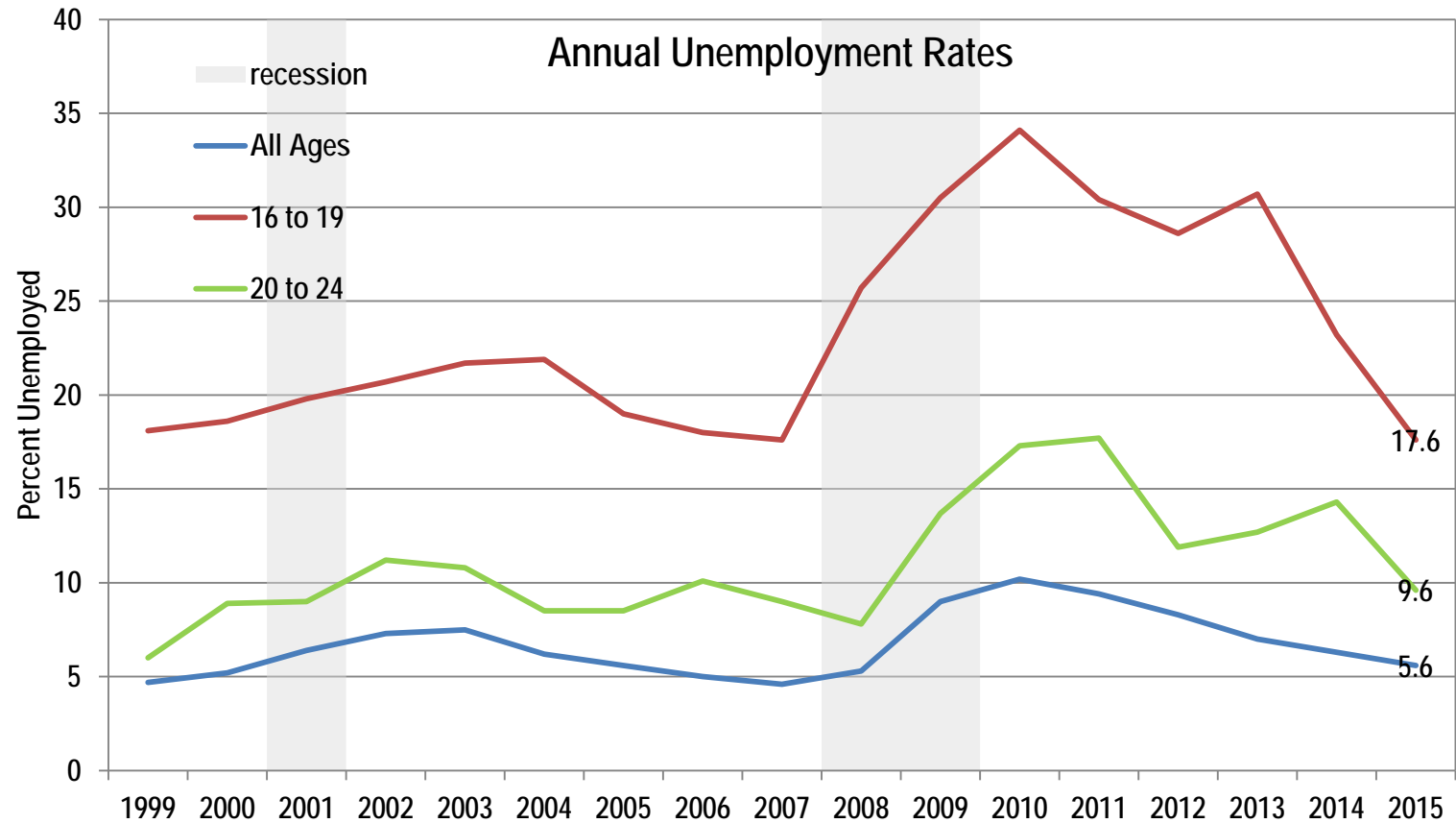
WTECB and SBE Joint Board Meeting

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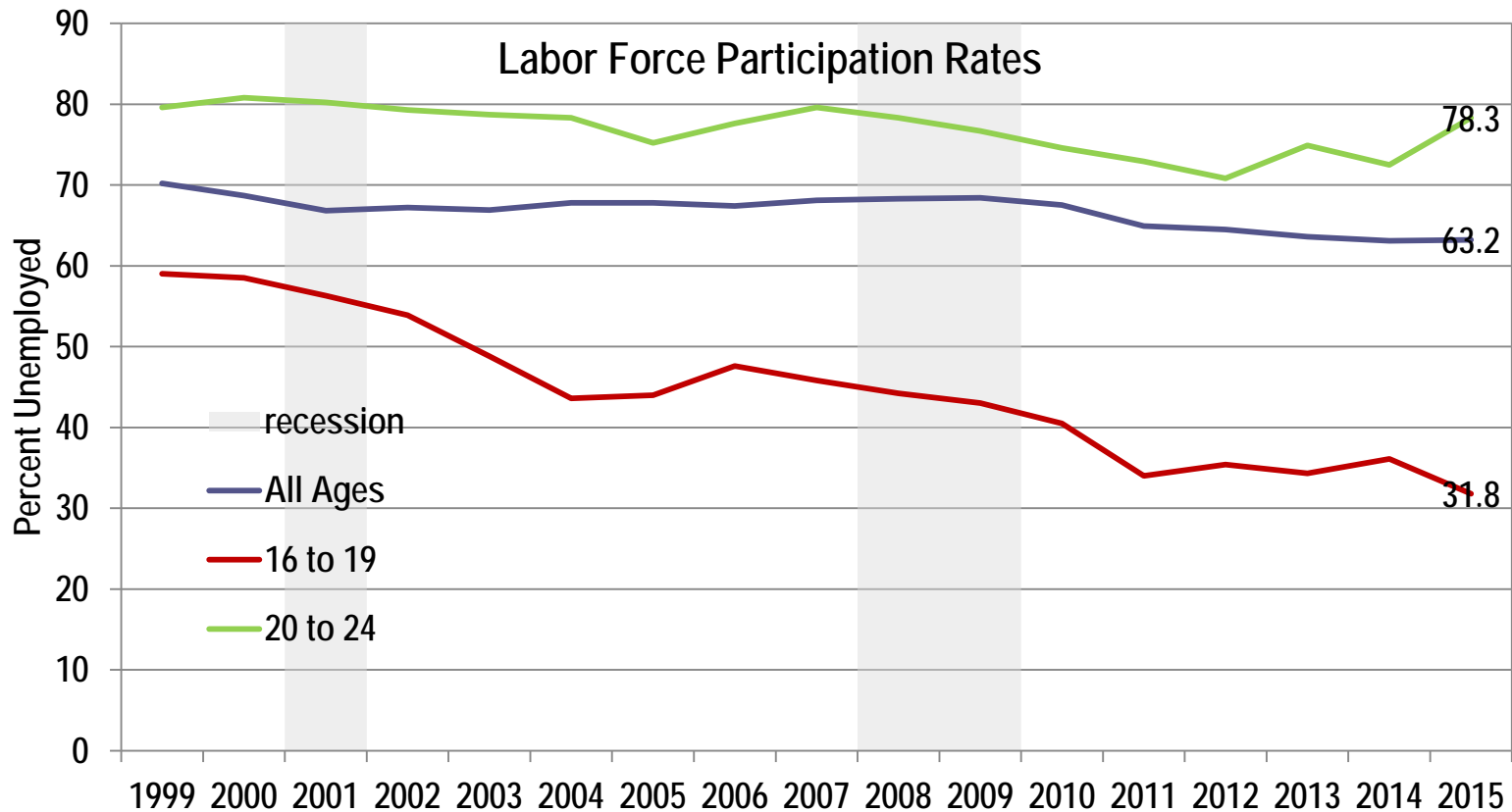


# Youth are particularly susceptible to recessions



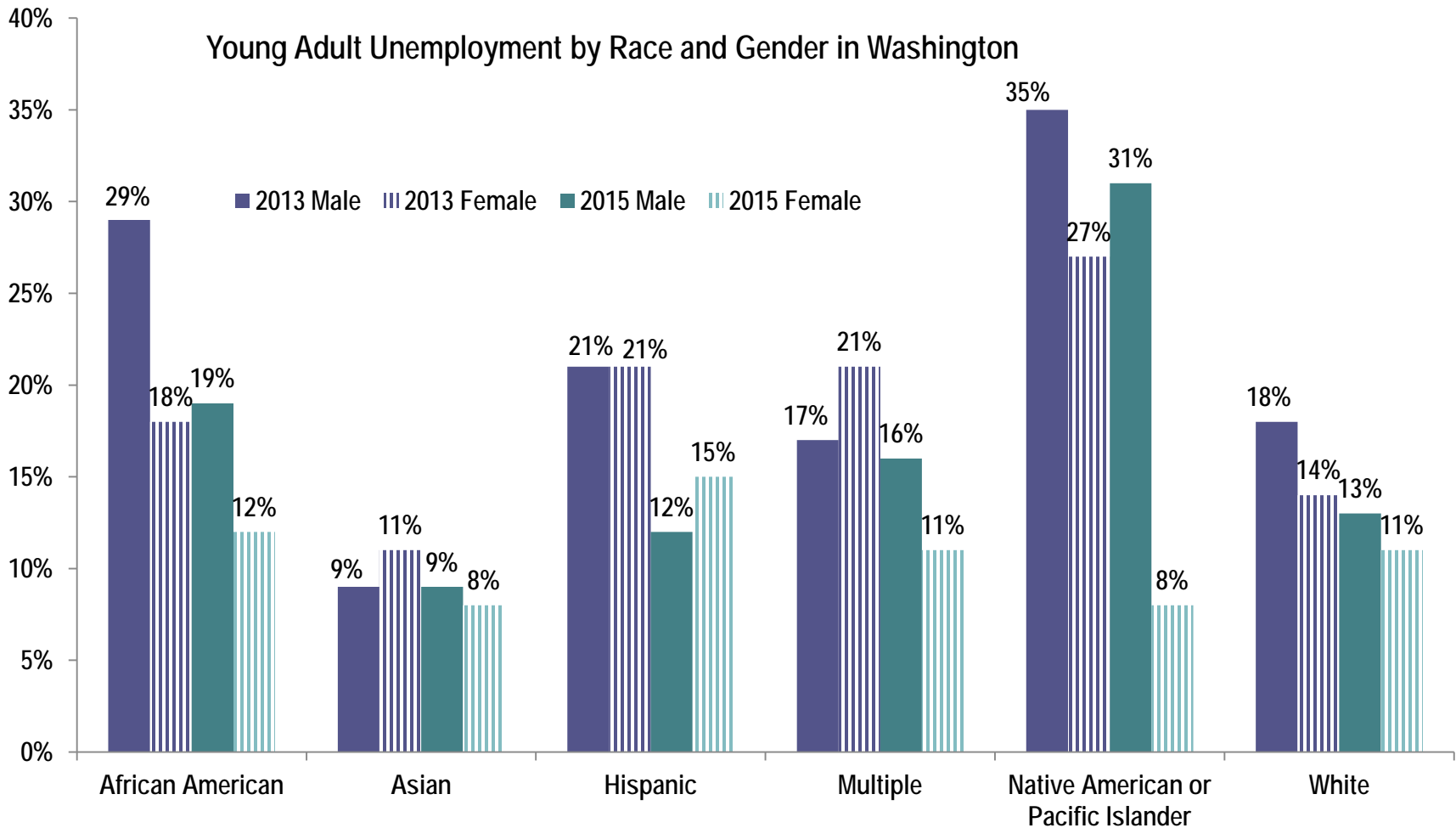
Source: Bureau of Labor Statistics, Geographic Profiles of Unemployment

# Youngest workers show low and declining labor force participation



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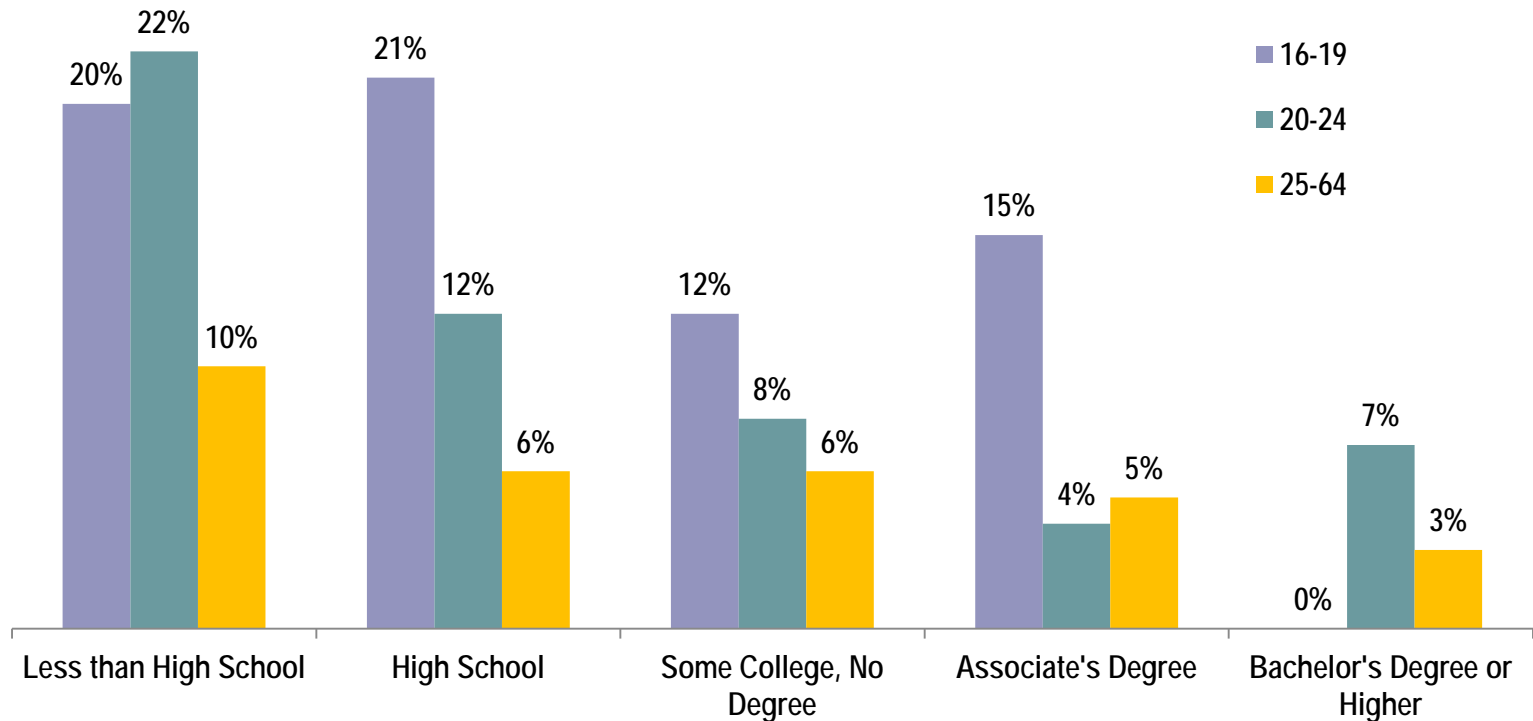
# Unemployment by race/ethnicity



Source: American Community Survey, U.S. Census

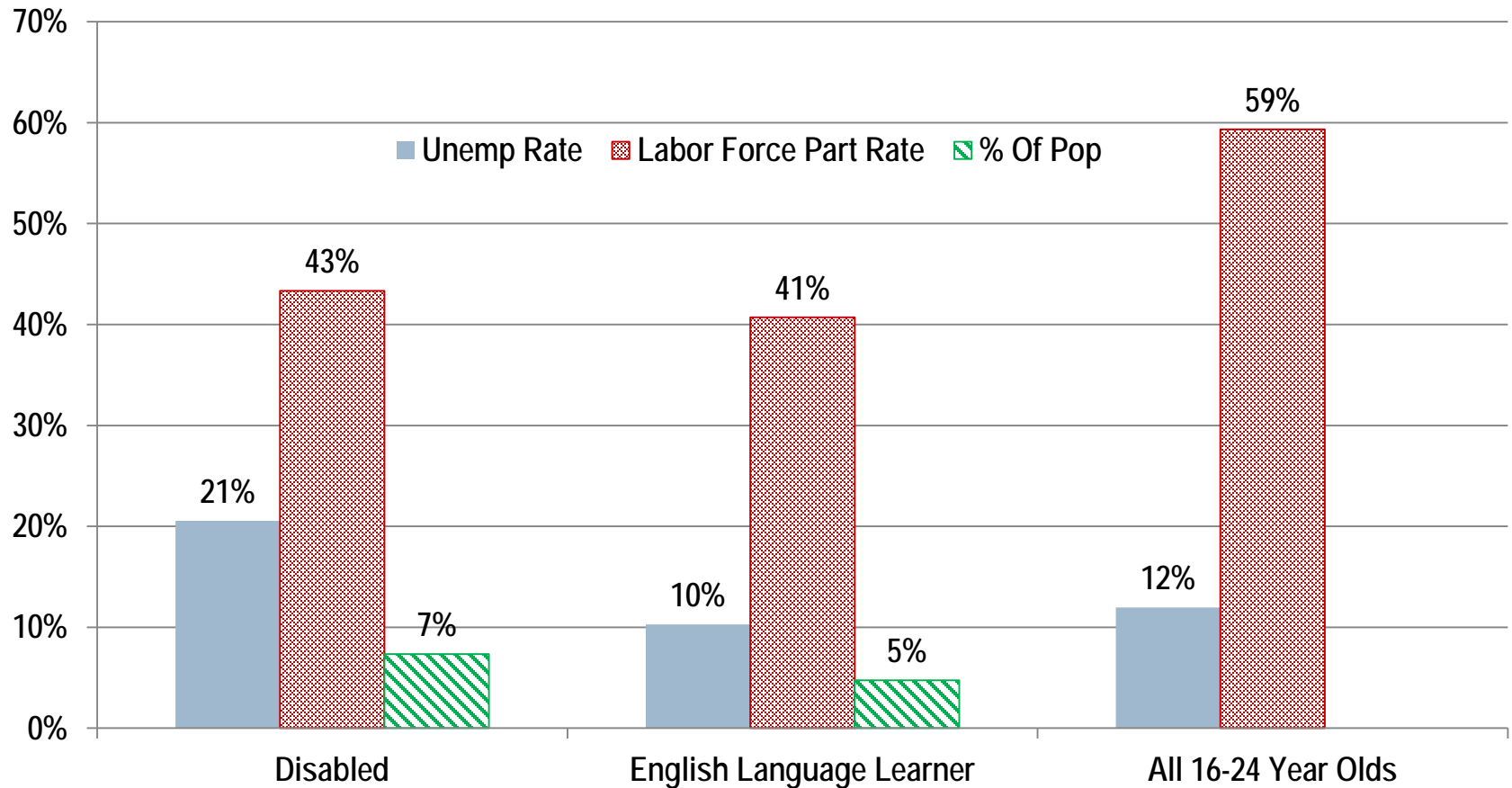
# As with all groups education plays a role in employment outcomes

Young Adult Unemployment by Education, Age Range



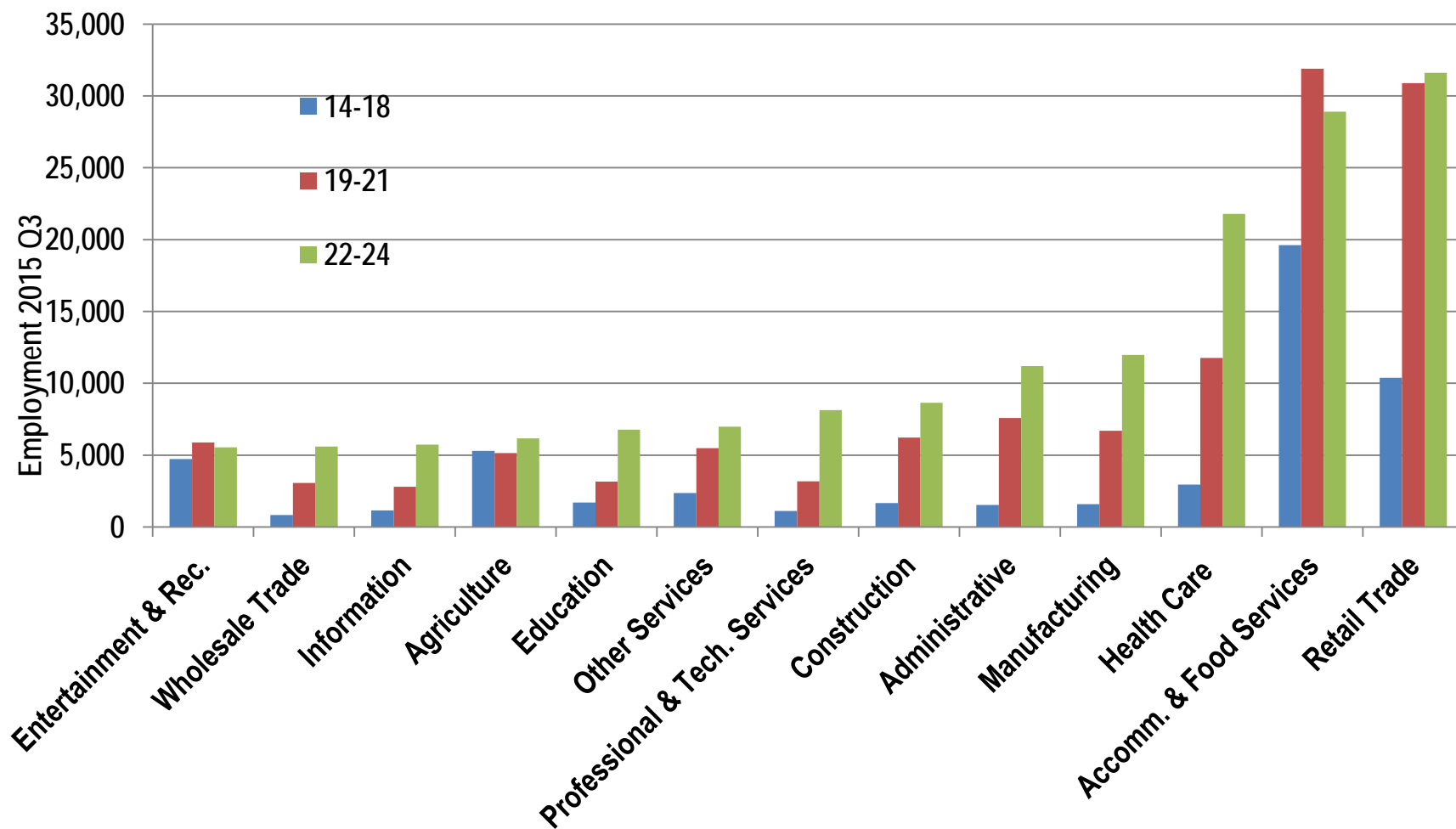
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# Young people facing barriers to employment still behind



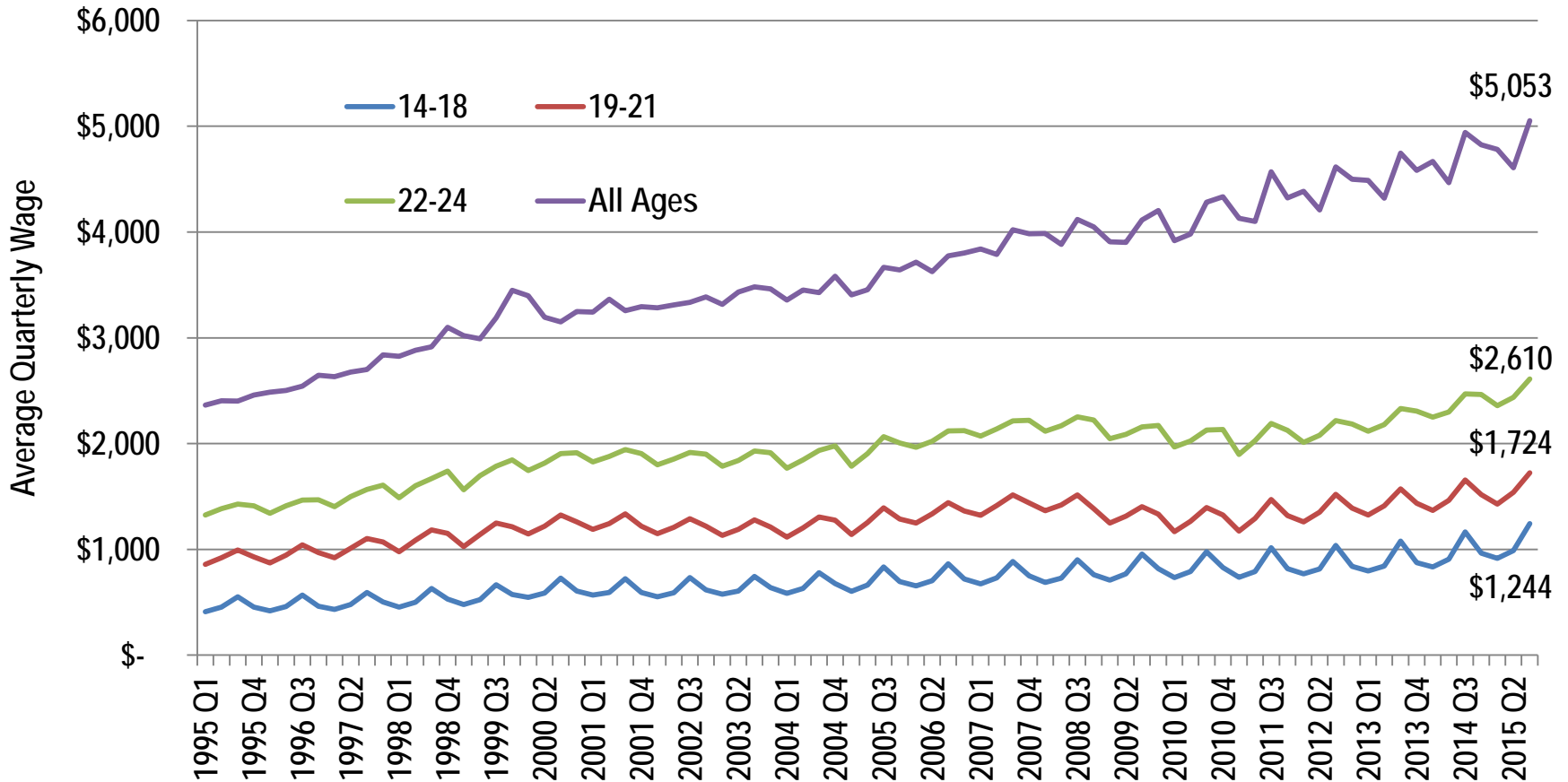
Source: American Community Survey, U.S. Census, 2015, Washington

# Where are Youth finding work



Source: Local Employment Dynamics, U.S. Census

# How well are Youth getting paid?

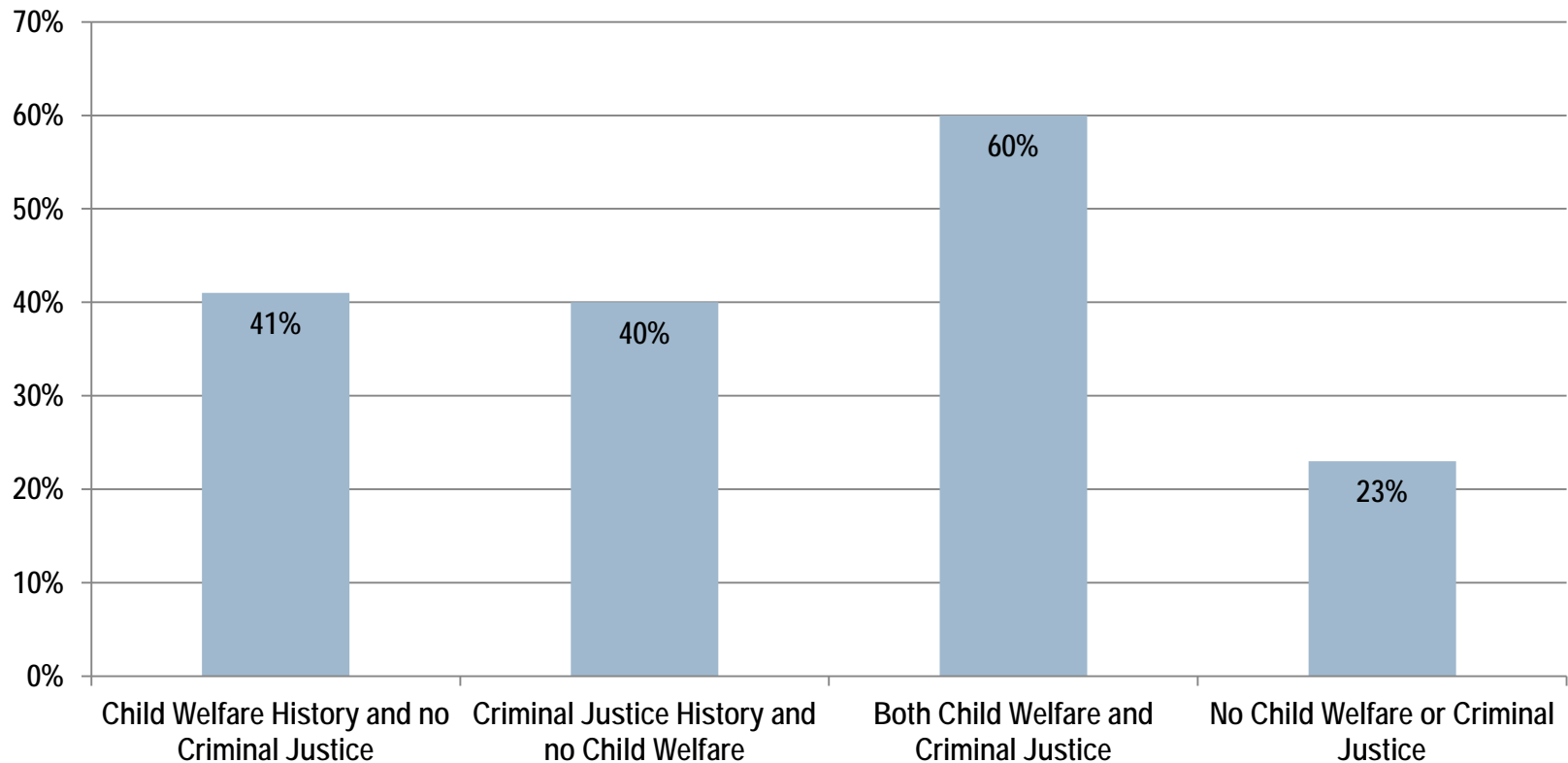


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# Projected Likelihood of Disengagement

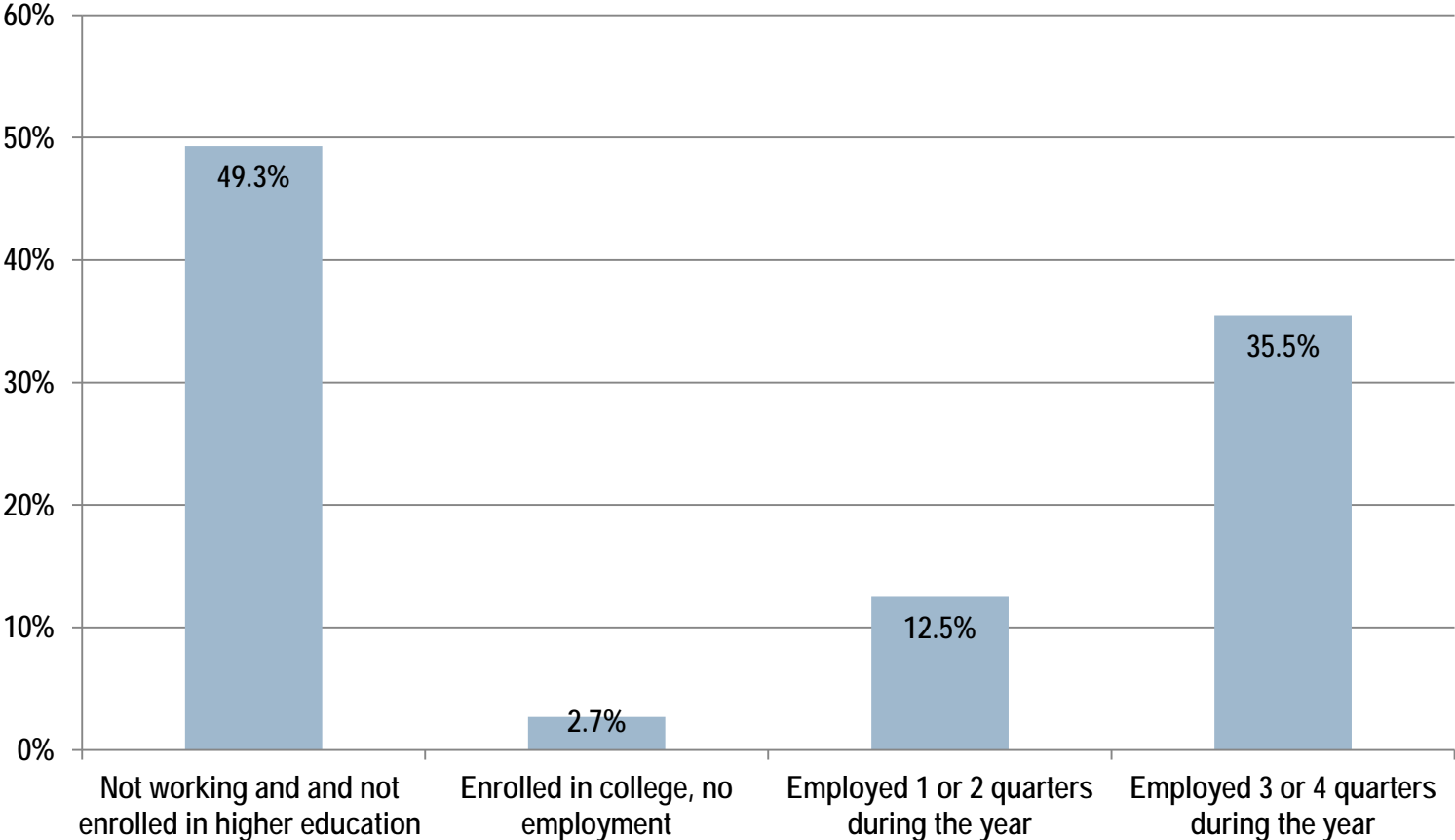
For youth Age 15 in AY 2006 to AY 2011



Source: DSHS, Opportunity Youth: Factors that Predict Disengagement from School and Work Among Youth in Washington State

# Special education student outcomes

12th graders in AY 2005/06 and served by DSHS between 2006 and 2008, 6 years later



Source: DSHS\ERDC, Connections to Employment and Education

# The End/Questions?

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