

HAITIAN CONTRIBUTIONS TO BOSTON

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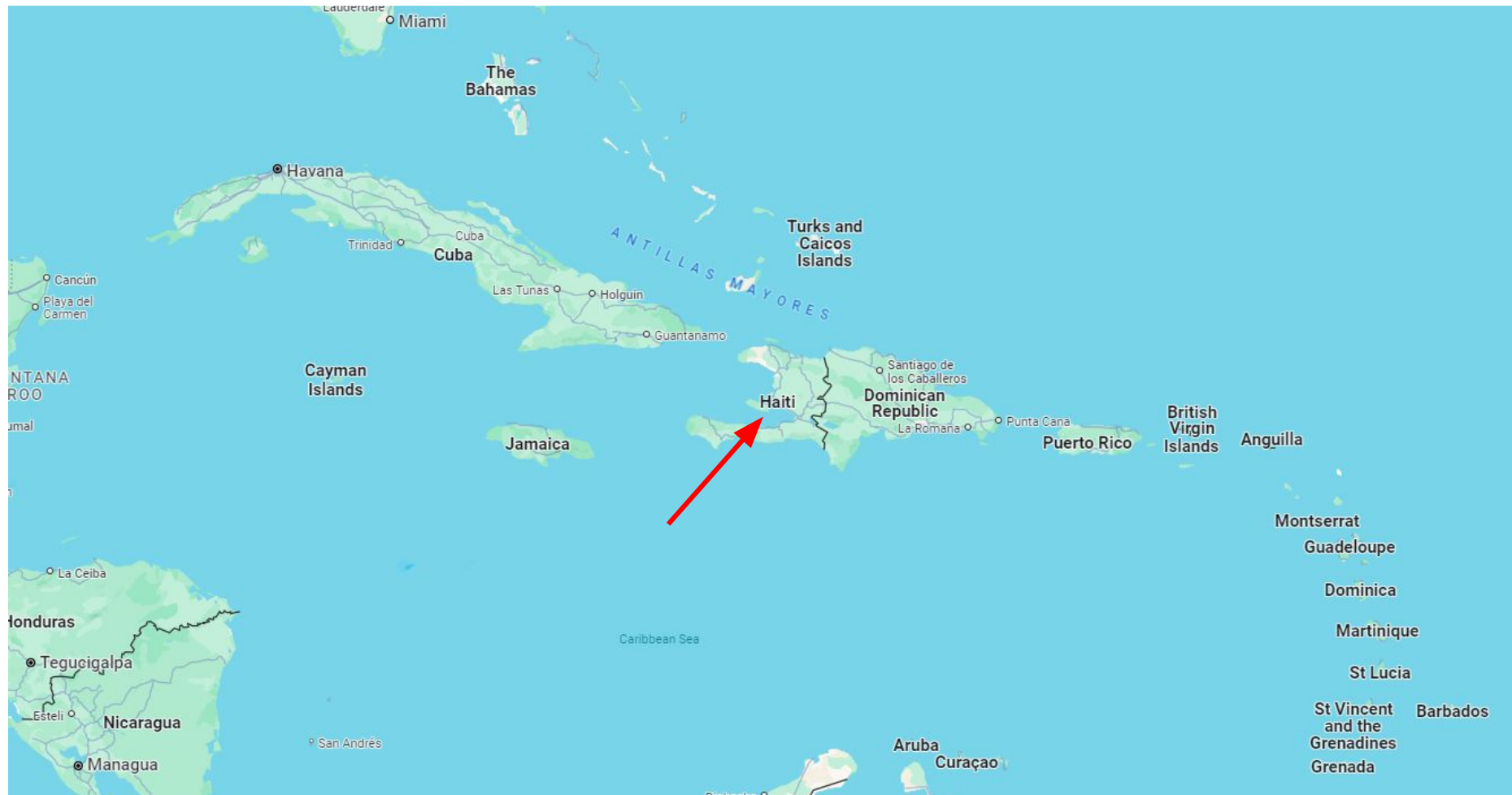
“When Our Brushes Shook”
2016 Haitian Art Exhibit
Boston City Hall



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U.S. CITIZENSHIP AND IMMIGRATION SERVICES (USCIS) POLICIES

Temporary Protected Status (TPS) is a temporary immigration status that allows foreign nationals from eligible countries to live and work in the United States. Haitians first received TPS in 2010 after an earthquake hit the country. A country's eligibility is reviewed every two years, and Haiti's current designation expires on 02/03/2026.

Humanitarian Parole for Cubans, Haitians, Nicaraguans, and Venezuelans is a program under which citizens of these four countries, and their immediate family members, can be paroled into the United States for a period of up to two years if *a person in the United States agrees to financially support them.*

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Haitian Family Reunification Parole (HFRP) Program is a program that allows certain *eligible* U.S. citizens and lawful permanent residents to apply for parole for their family members in Haiti. If granted parole, these family members could come to the United States before their immigrant visa priority dates become current.

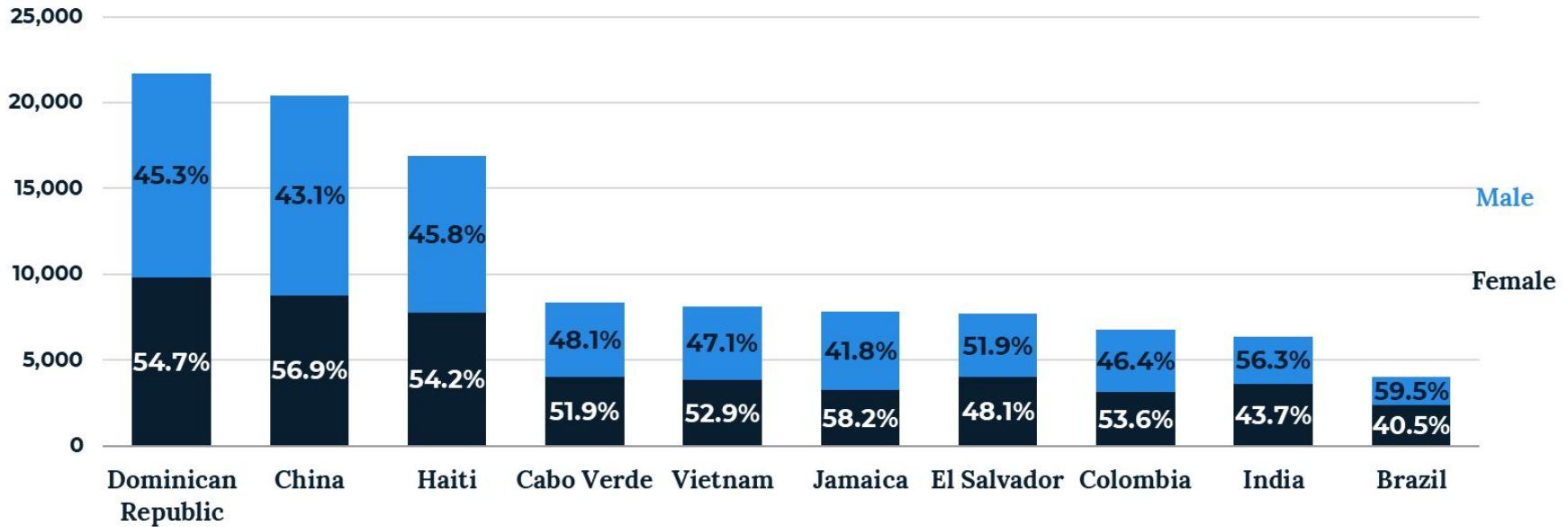
***Cuban-Haitian Entrant (CHE)** is a term that relates to benefit eligibility rather than an immigration status. Individuals who meet the definition of a CHE may be eligible for certain public benefits. CHE's include nationals of Cuba or Haiti who are not subject to a final removal order and 1) were paroled in the the US & not acquired any other status under the Immigration and Nationality Act (INA), or 2) Are in removal proceedings under the INA, or 3) Have an application for asylum pending.

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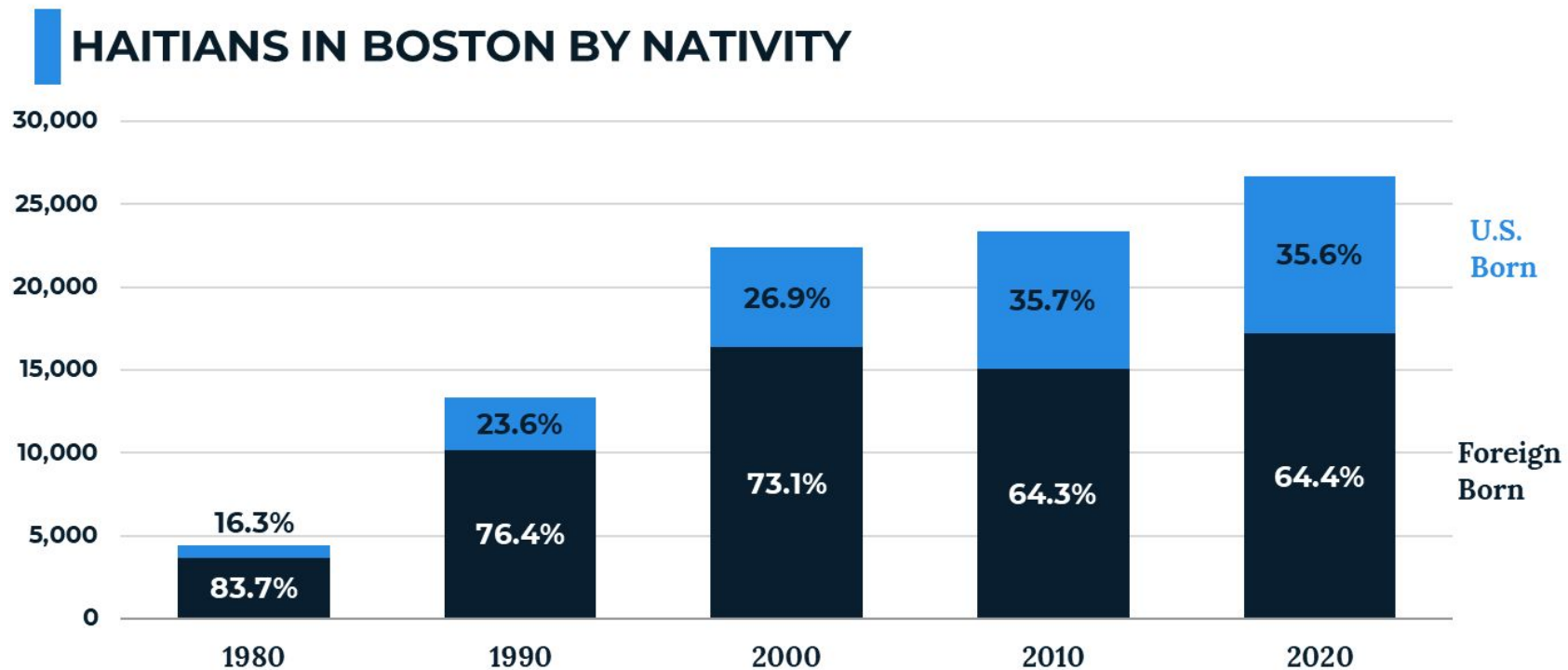
HAITIANS ARE THE 3RD LARGEST FOREIGN-BORN POPULATION IN BOSTON

TOP 10 FOREIGN-BORN COUNTRIES OF ORIGIN BY SEX



Source: 2018-2022 American Community Survey, City of Boston Planning Department Research Division Analysis

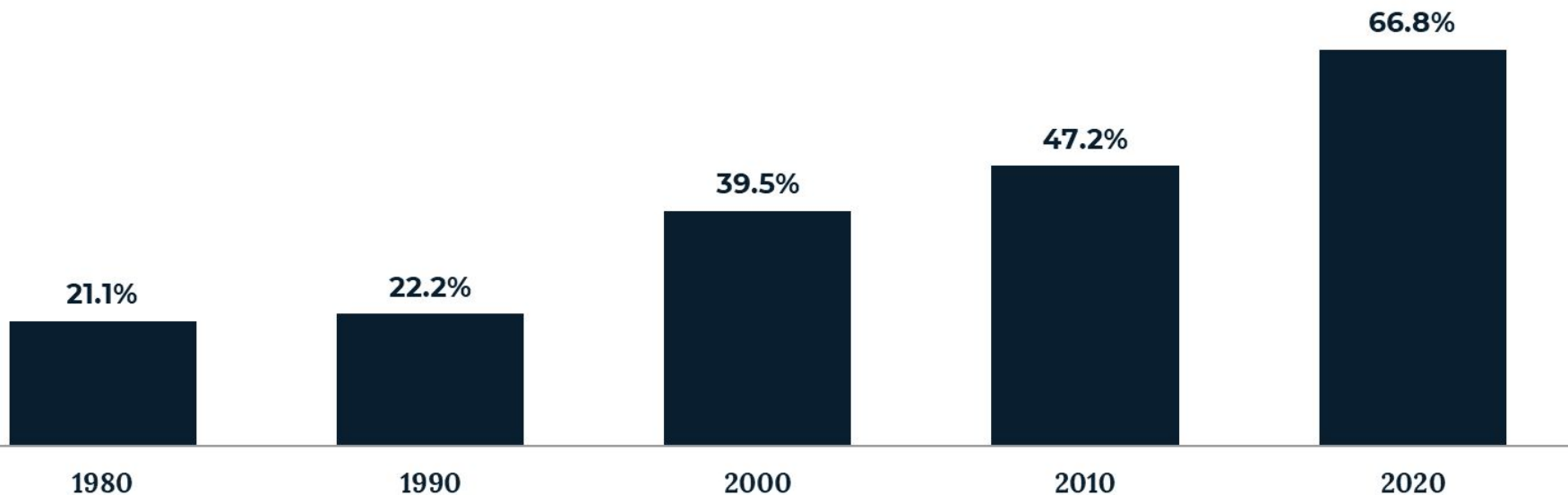
THE HAITIAN POPULATION IN BOSTON INCREASED RAPIDLY BEFORE 2000, BUT SLOWED AFTER 2000



Source: 1980-2000 Censuses, 2008-2012 & 2018-2022 American Community Survey (PUMS), City of Boston Planning Department Research Division Analysis

WITH MORE TIME IN THE U.S., FOREIGN-BORN HAITIANS ARE BECOMING NATURALIZED CITIZENS

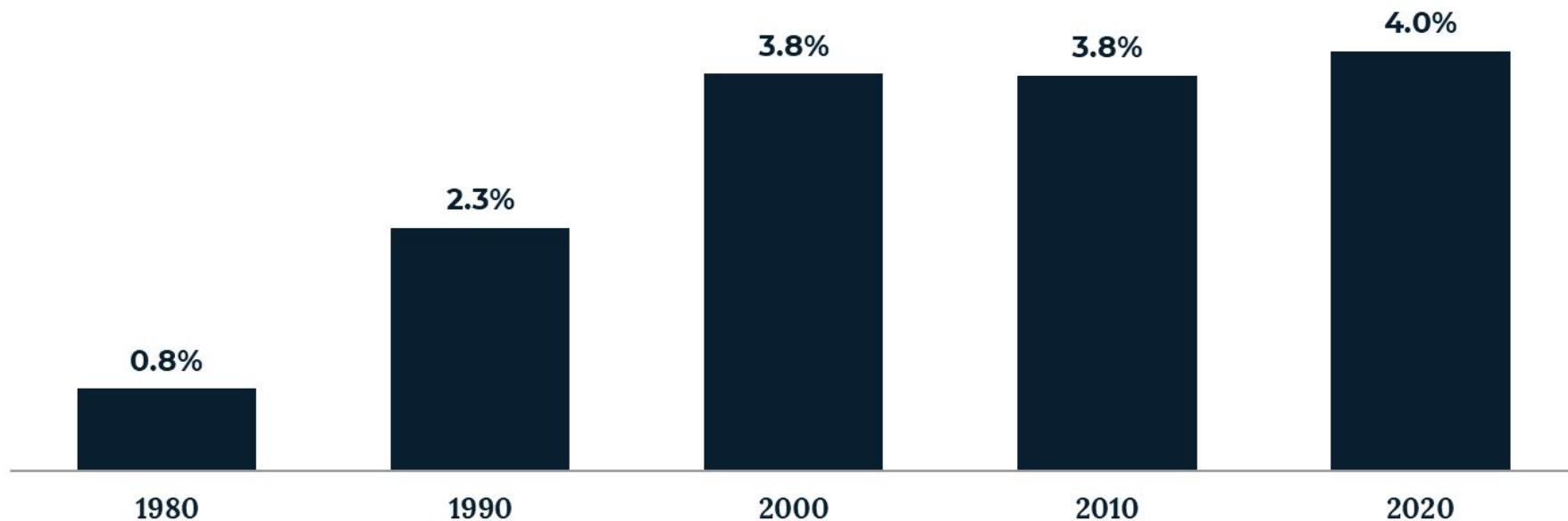
SHARE OF NATURALIZED CITIZENS



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HAITIANS ARE AN INCREASING SHARE OF BOSTON'S POPULATION

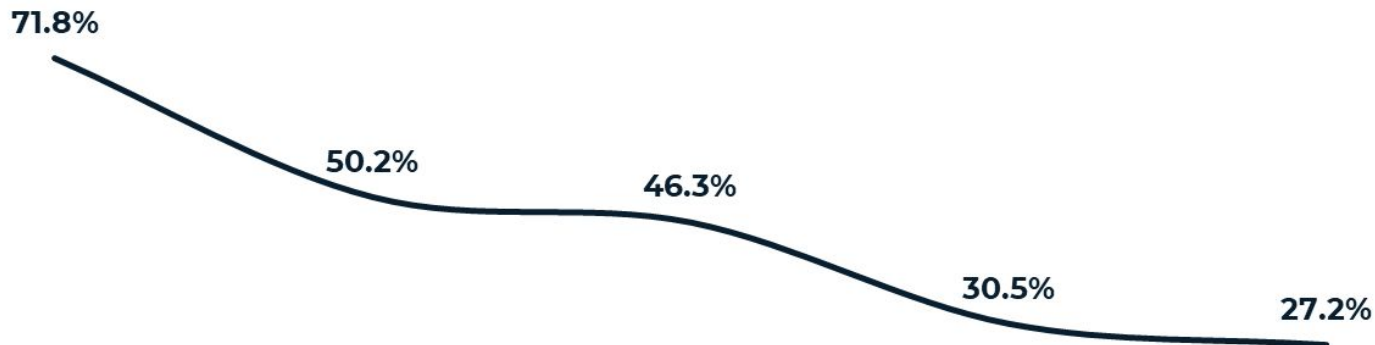
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AS THE HAITIAN POPULATION INCREASED IN MASSACHUSETTS, THEY WERE MORE LIKELY TO LIVE OUTSIDE OF BOSTON

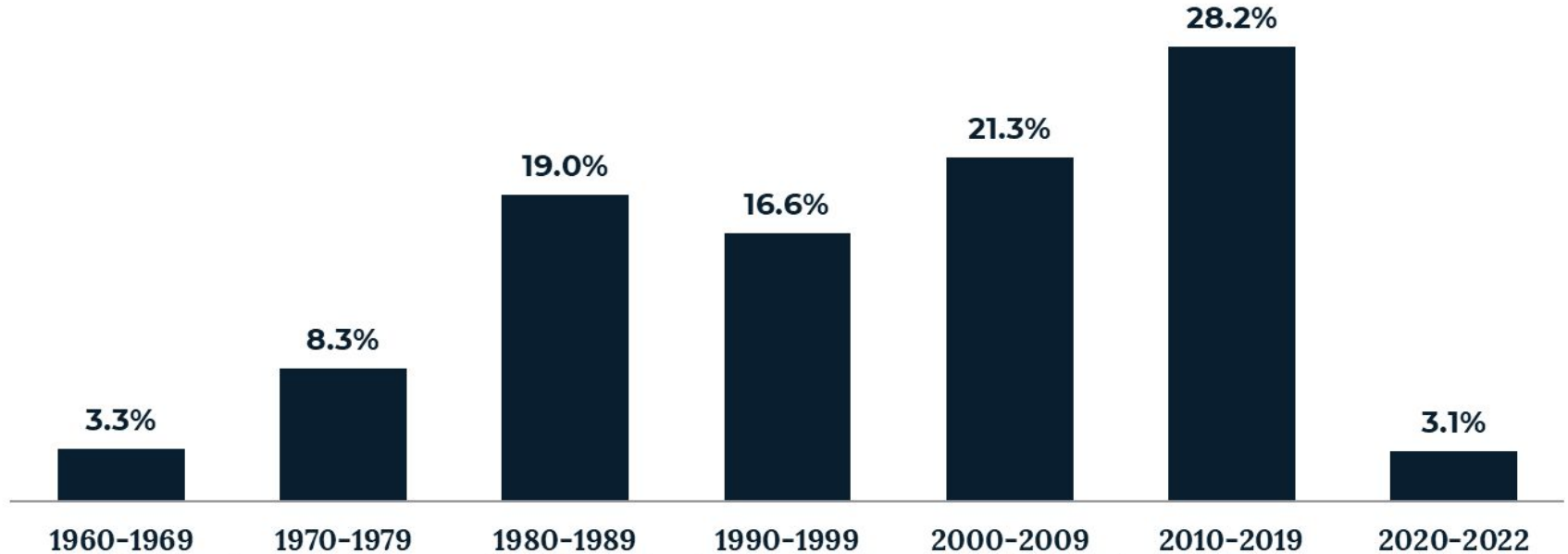
BOSTON'S SHARE OF HAITIANS IN MASSACHUSETTS



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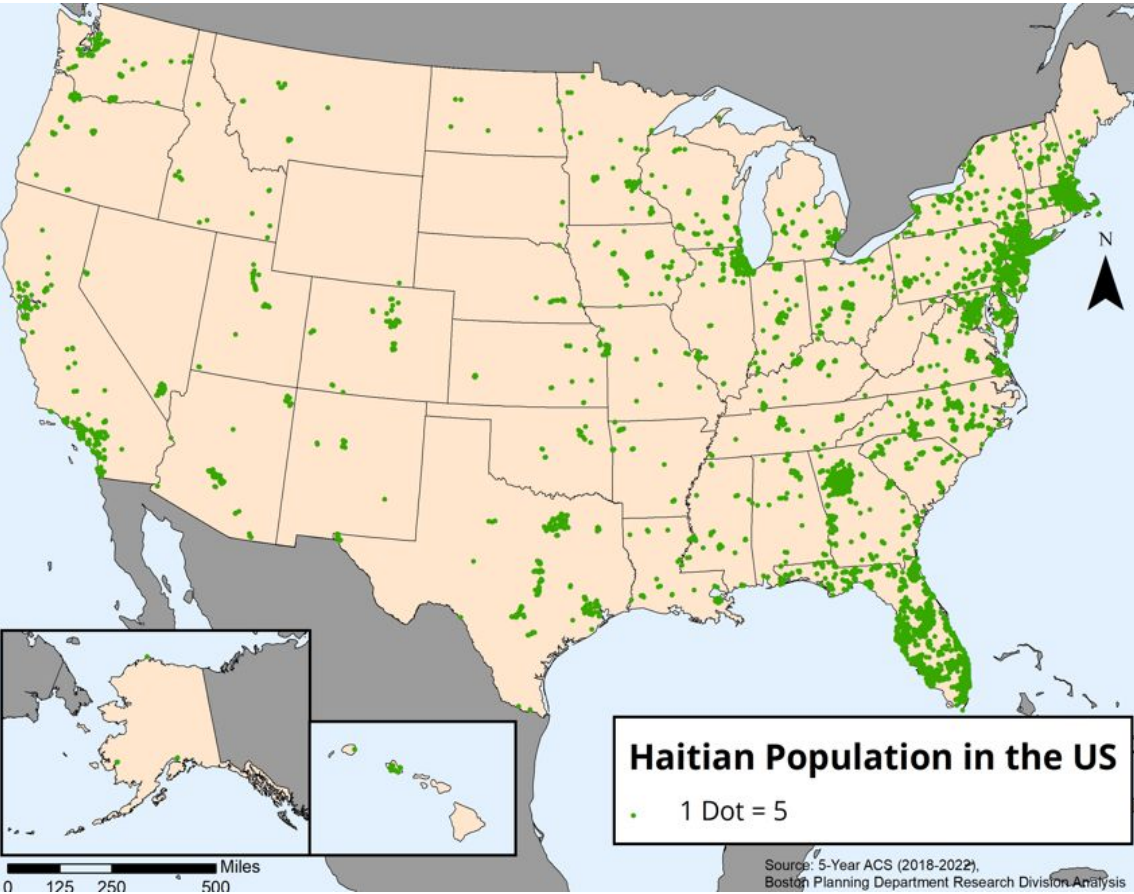
FOREIGN-BORN HAITIANS START ARRIVING IN BOSTON IN THE 1960S

YEAR OF ARRIVAL OF FOREIGN-BORN HAITIANS LIVING IN BOSTON

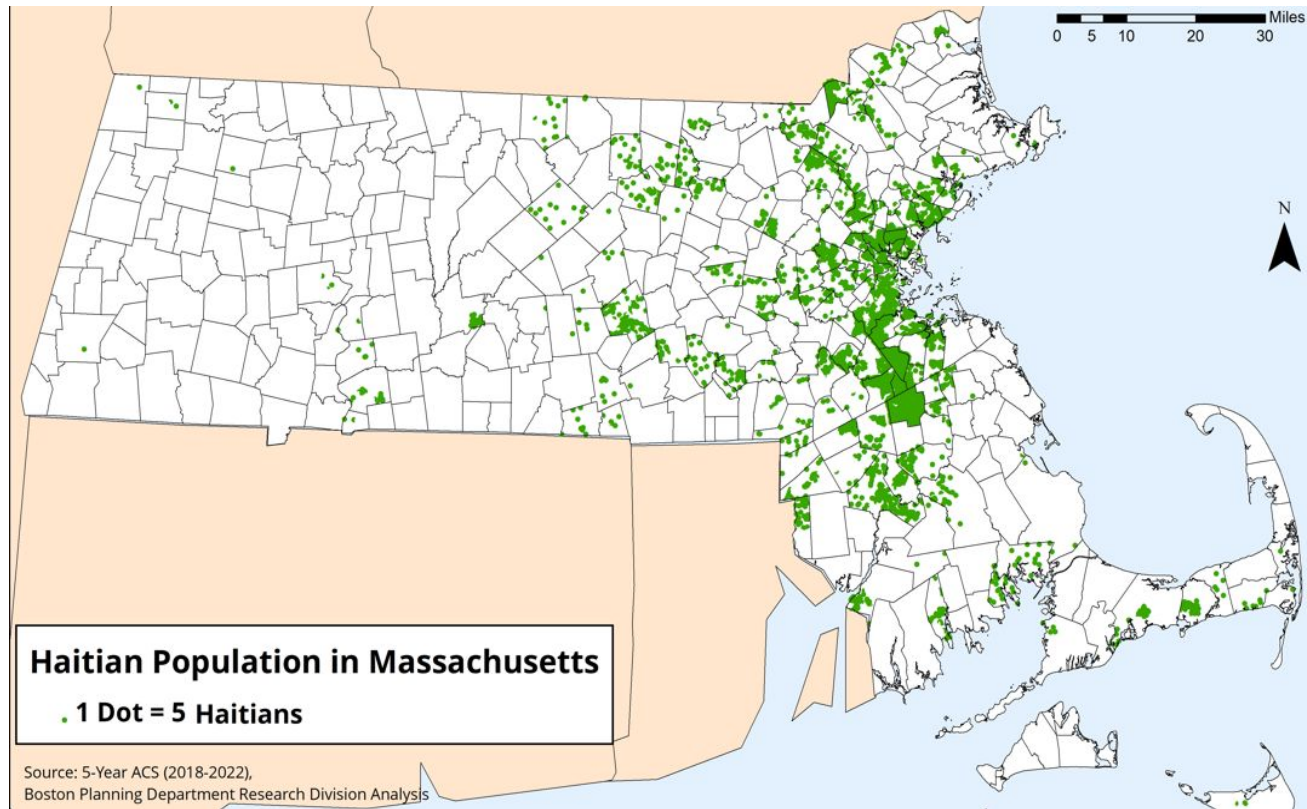


Source: 2018-2019 American Community Survey, City of Boston Planning Department Research Division Analysis.

Florida, New York, Massachusetts, New Jersey, and Georgia are the top 5 states where Haitians live

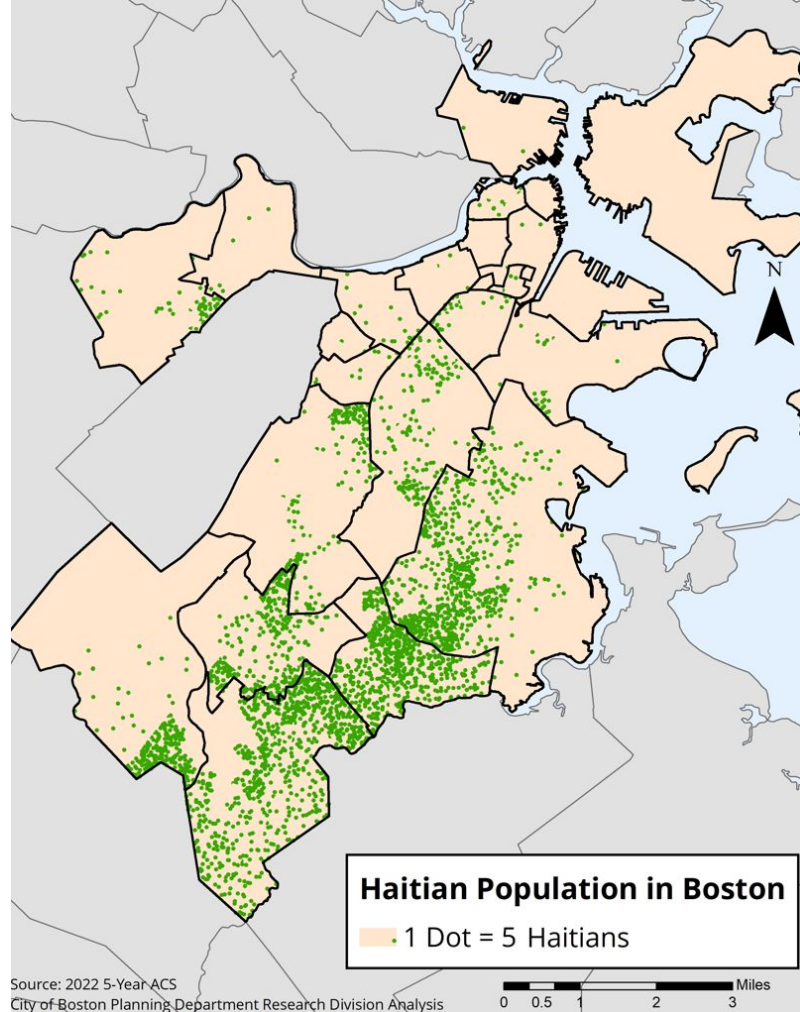


Boston, Brockton, Randolph, Malden, & Everett are the top 5 cities or towns where Foreign-born Haitians live



BOSTON NEIGHBORHOODS

	Share of Haitians in 2022
Hyde Park	28.5%
Dorchester	21.3%
Mattapan	18.2%
Roslindale	9.0%
West Roxbury	7.5%
Roxbury	4.6%

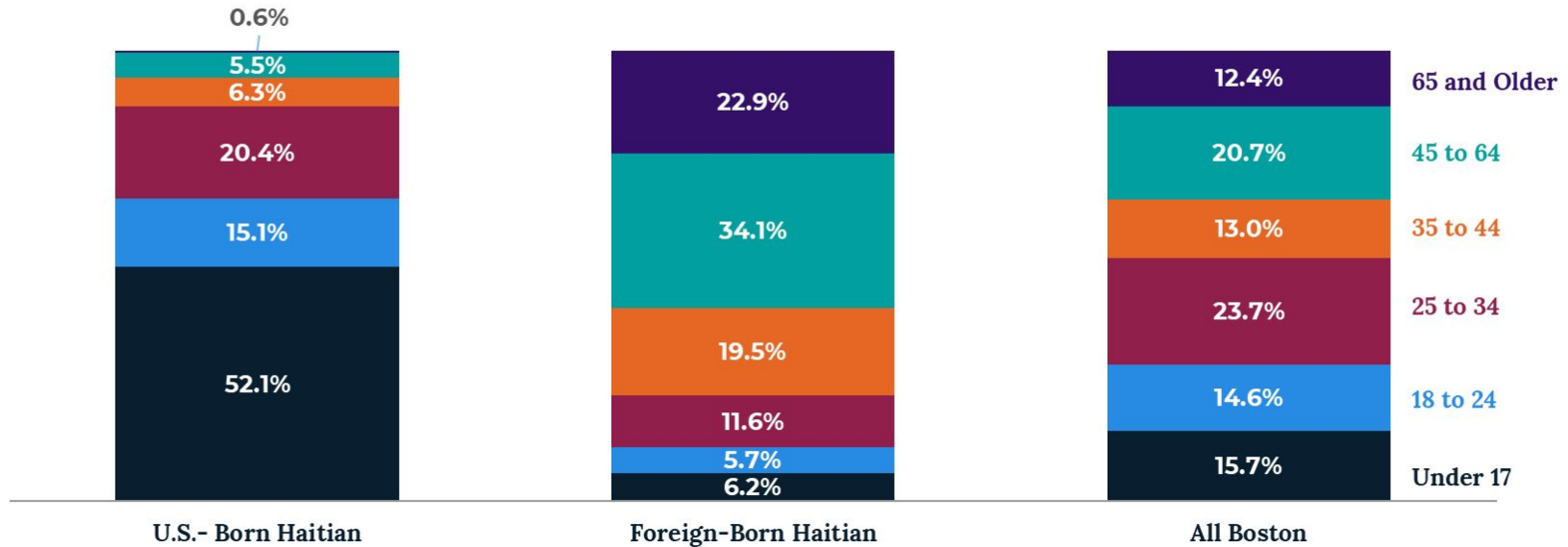


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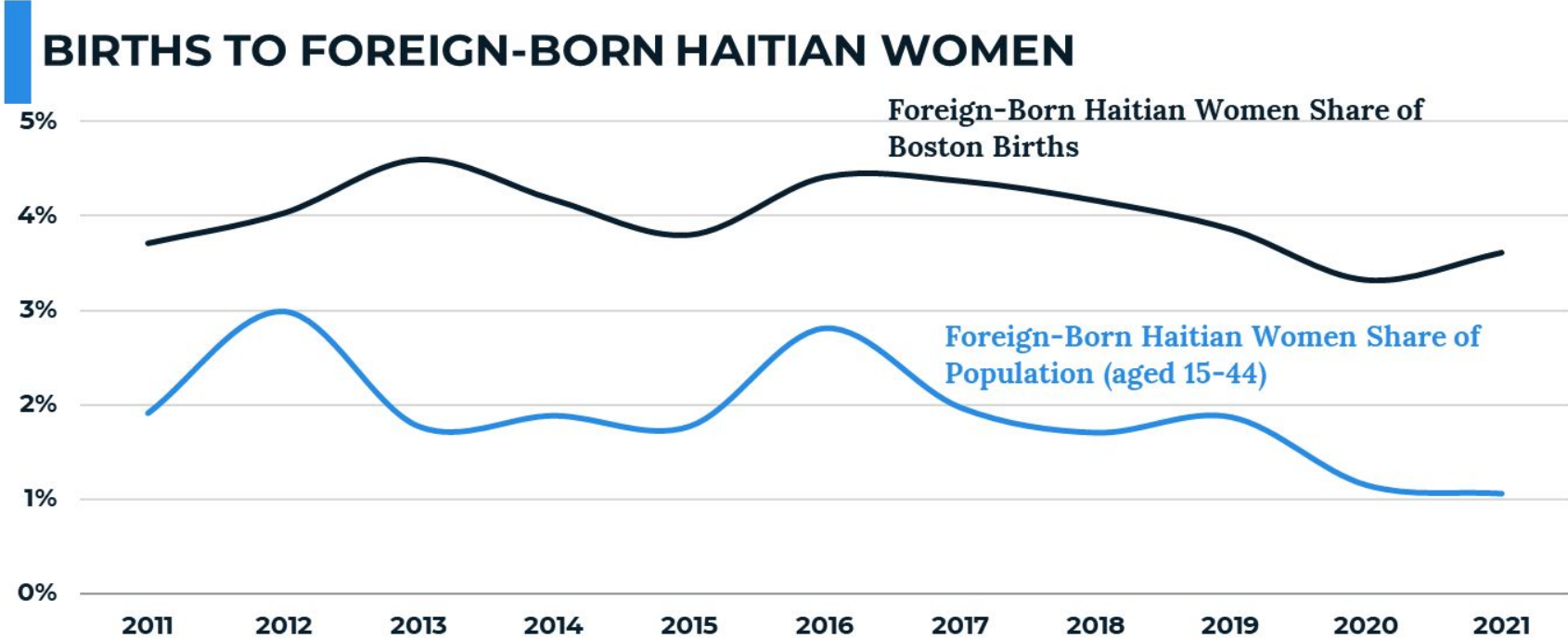
OVER HALF OF U.S.-BORN HAITIANS ARE CHILDREN, WHILE A THIRD OF FOREIGN-BORN ARE 45 TO 64 YEARS

HAITIAN AGE CATEGORIES BY NATIVITY



Source: 2018-2022 American Community Survey (PUMS), City of Boston Planning Department Research Division Analysis.

FOREIGN-BORN HAITIAN WOMEN DISPROPORTIONATELY CONTRIBUTE TO BOSTON'S BIRTHS

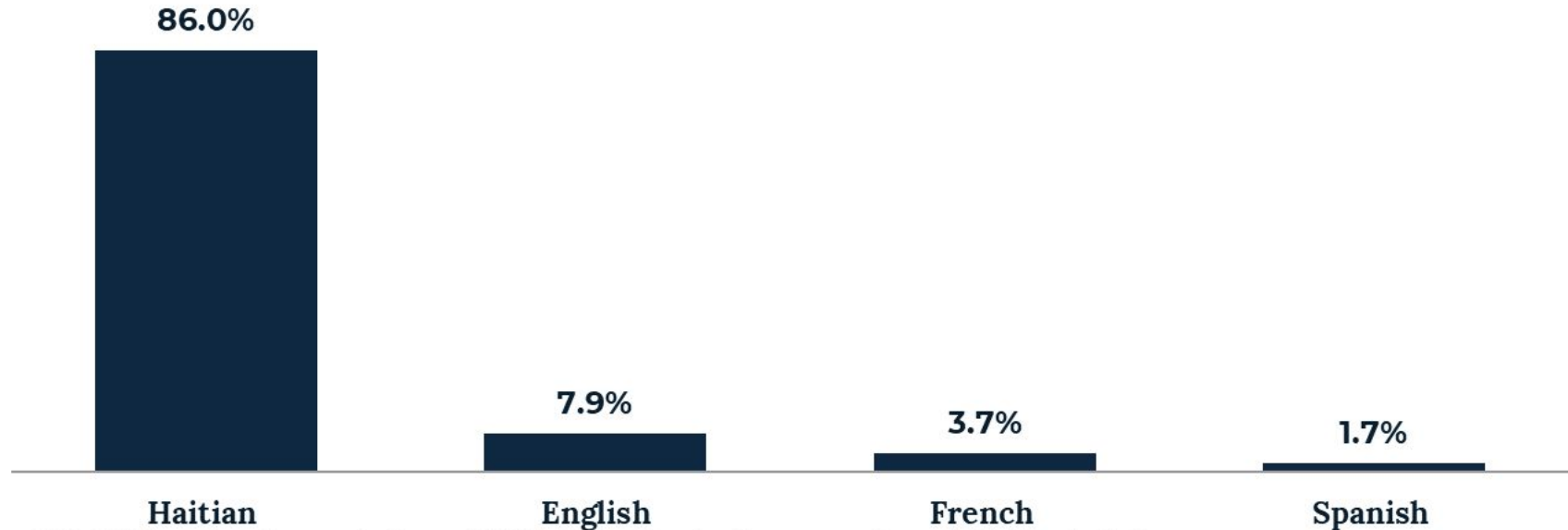


Source: 2011-2021 Boston Public Health Commission and American Community Survey (PUMS), City of Boston Planning Department Research Division Analysis

FOREIGN-BORN HAITIANS PRIMARILY SPEAK HAITIAN AT HOME

LANGUAGE SPOKEN BY FOREIGN-BORN HAITIANS IN BOSTON

AGES 5 AND OLDER

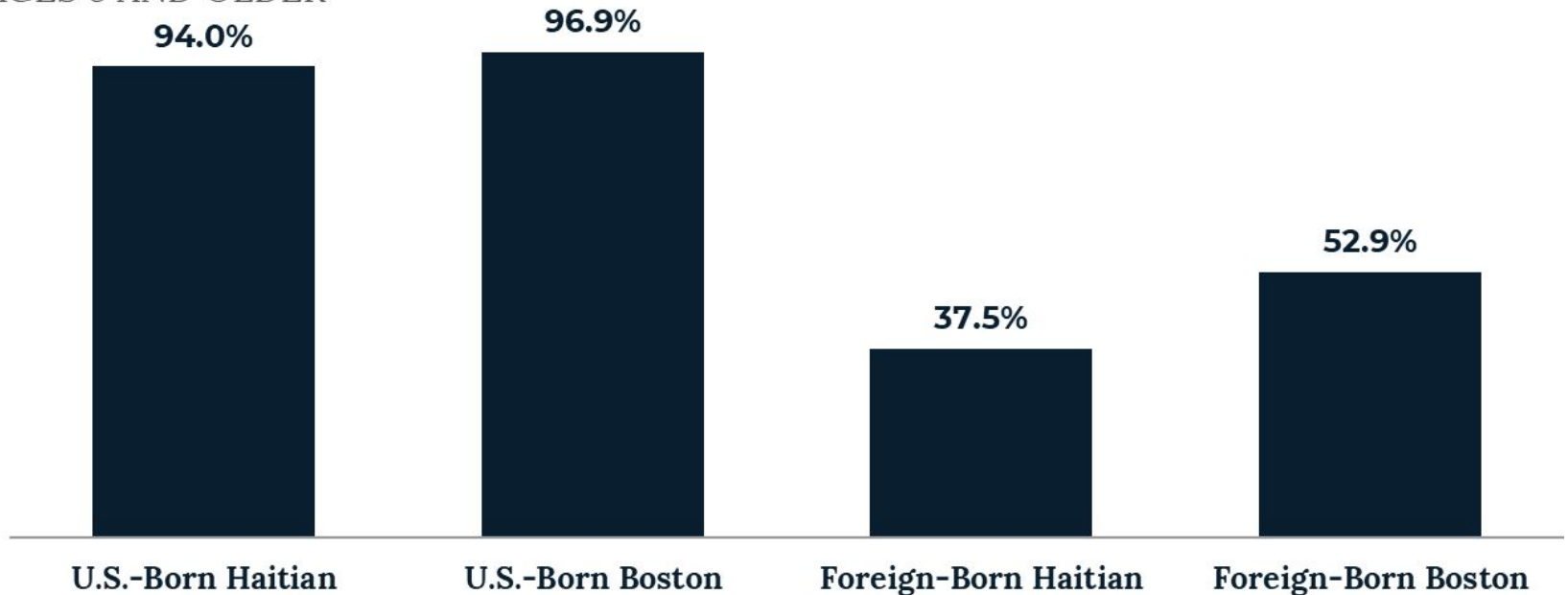


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FOREIGN-BORN HAITIANS ARE LESS LIKELY THAN OTHER FOREIGN BORN TO BE ENGLISH PROFICIENT

ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY

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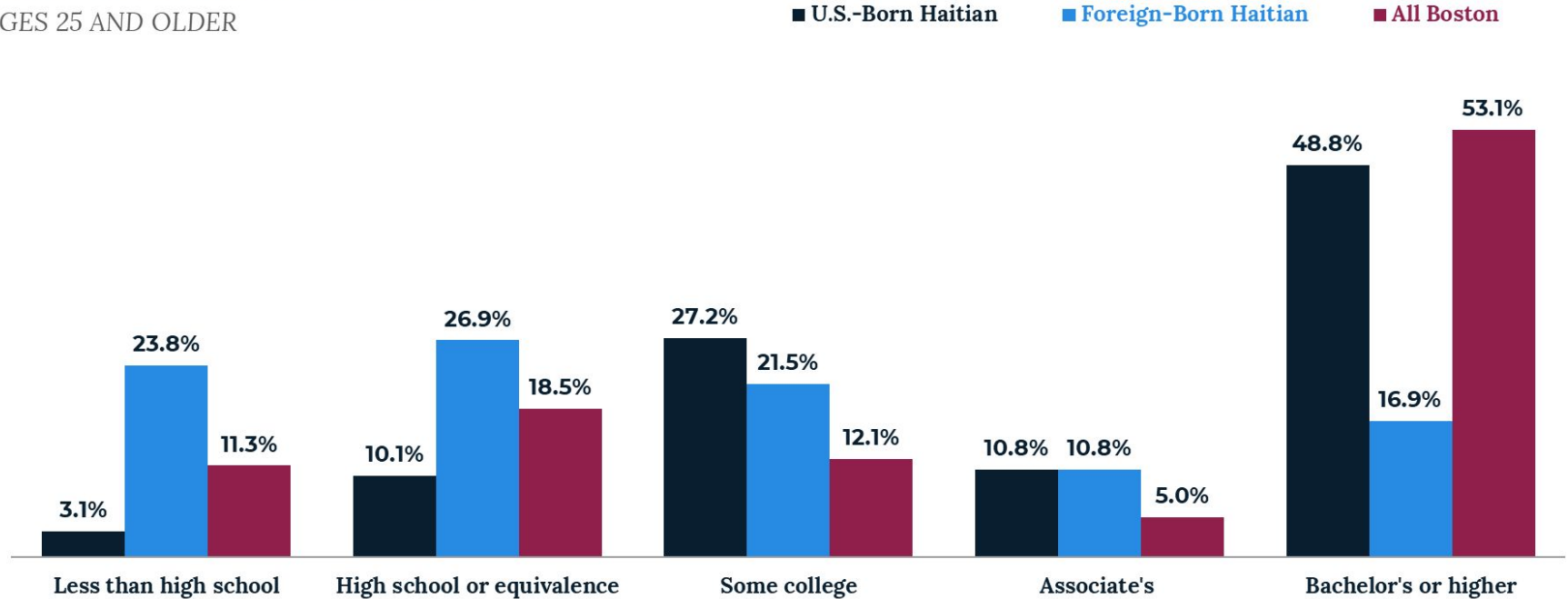
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FOREIGN-BORN HAITIANS HAVE LOWER LEVELS OF EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT, BUT US-BORN ARE SIMILAR TO ALL BOSTON ADULTS

EDUCATIONAL ATTAINMENT

AGES 25 AND OLDER

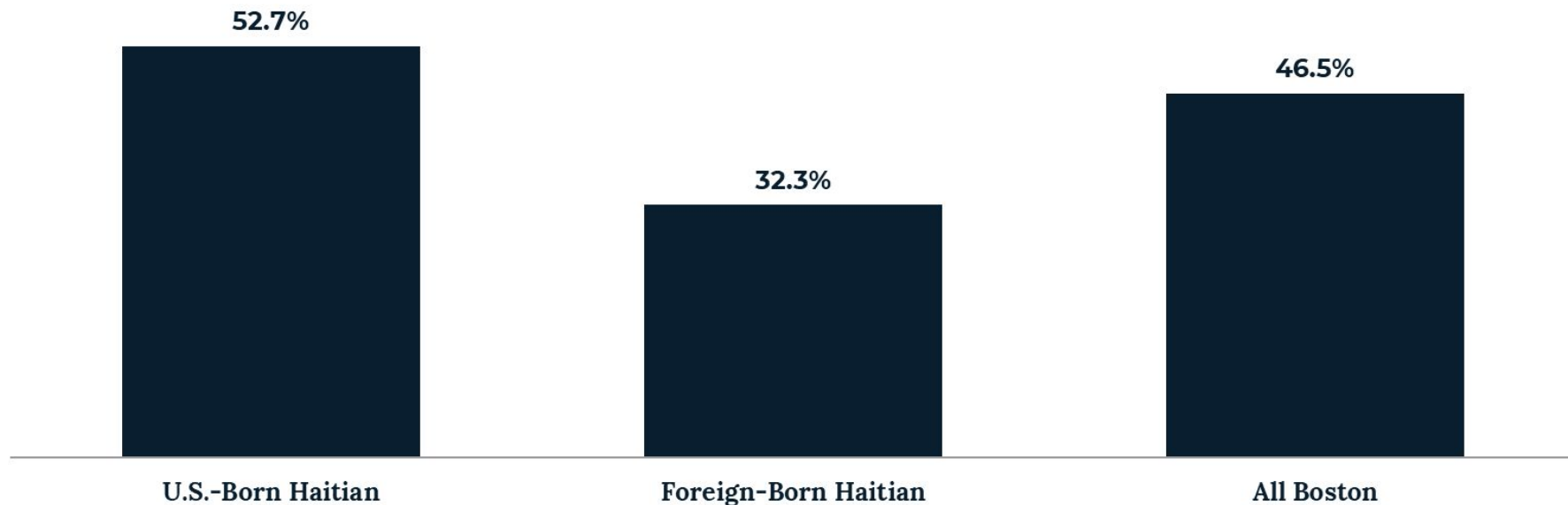


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OVER HALF OF HAITIAN YOUNG ADULTS ARE ENROLLED IN COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY

SHARE ENROLLED IN COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY

AGES 18 TO 29

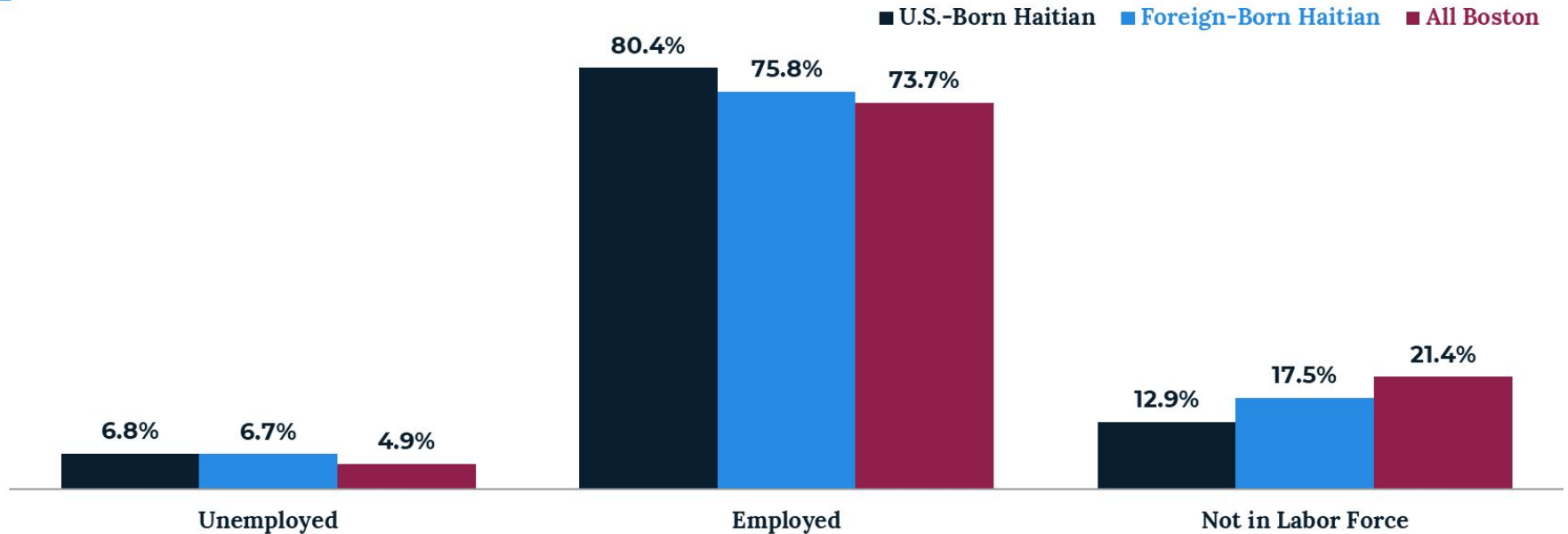


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HAITIAN ADULTS ARE MORE LIKELY TO BE EMPLOYED

LABOR FORCE PARTICIPATION

AGES 18 TO 65



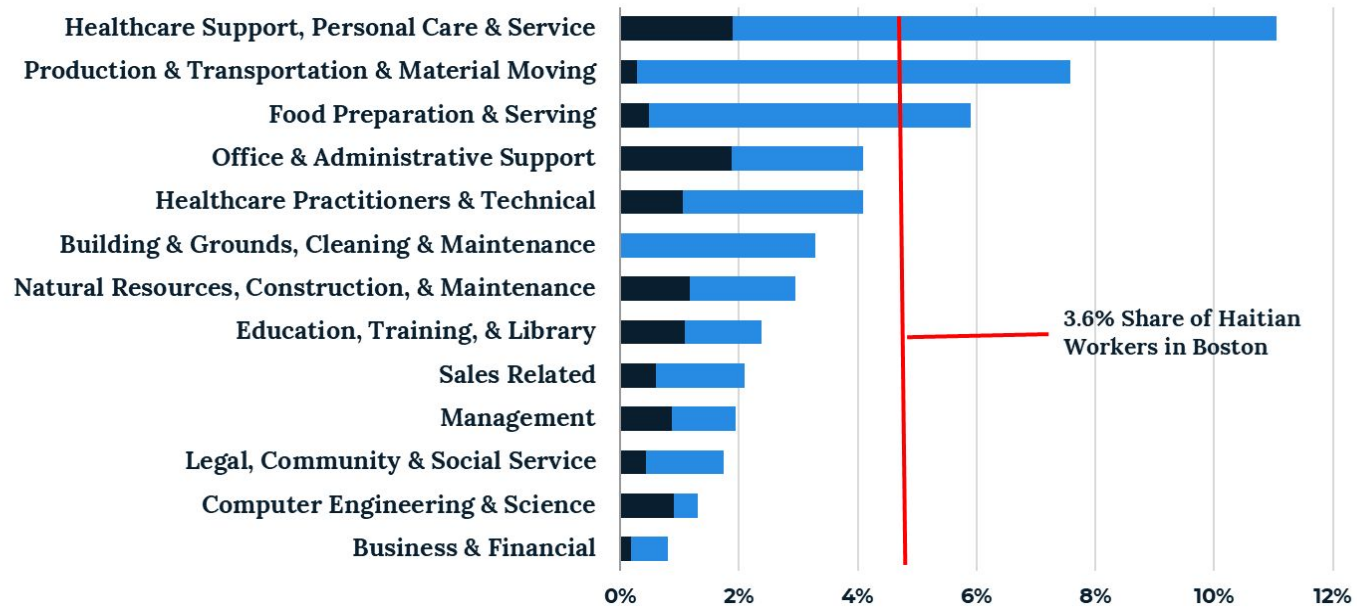
Source: 2018 American Community Survey, City of Boston Planning Department Research Division Analysis.

HAITIANS MAKE UP ~11% OF HEALTHCARE SUPPORT, PERSONAL CARE AND SERVICE WORKERS LIVING IN BOSTON

OCCUPATIONAL SHARES OF HAITIAN WORKERS

U.S.-Born

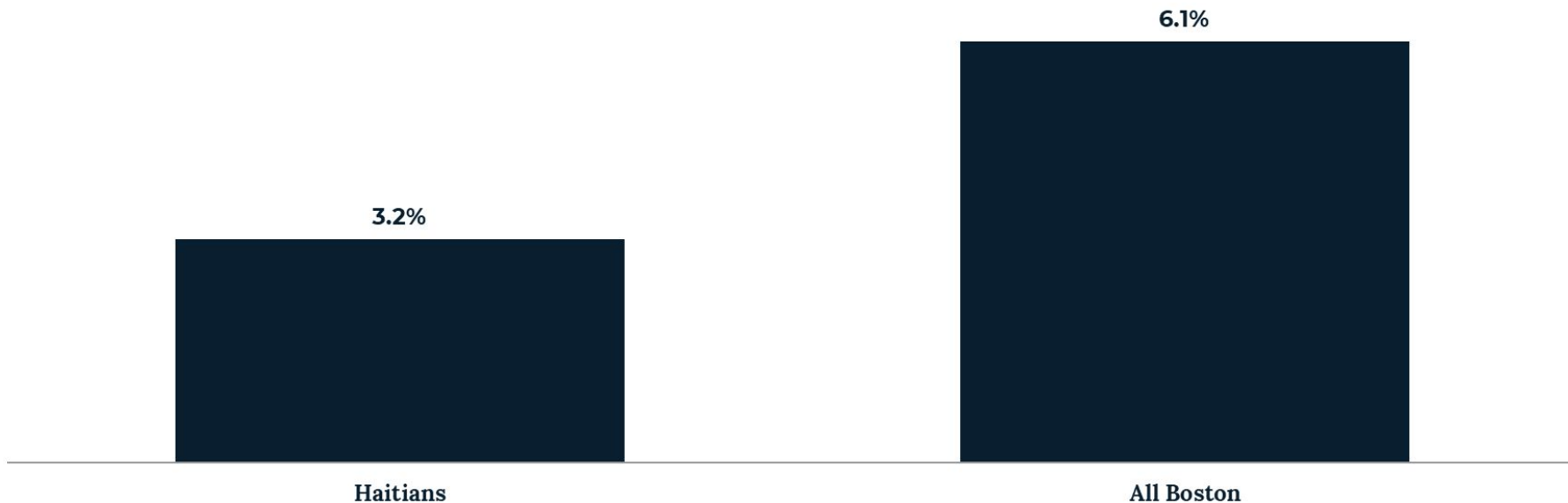
Foreign-Born



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HAITIANS ARE LESS LIKELY TO BE BUSINESS OWNERS

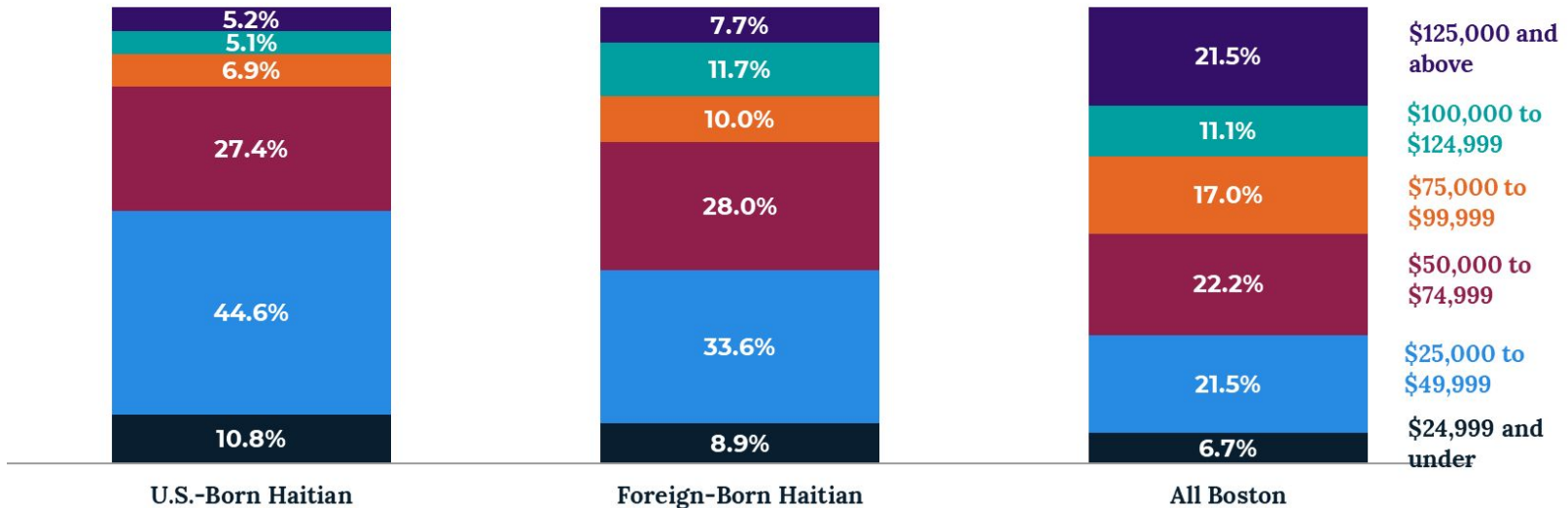
BUSINESS OWNER SHARES OF ALL WORKERS



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HAITIAN FULL TIME WORKERS EARN LOWER INCOMES OTHER BOSTON WORKERS

PERSONAL INCOME - FULLTIME WORKERS



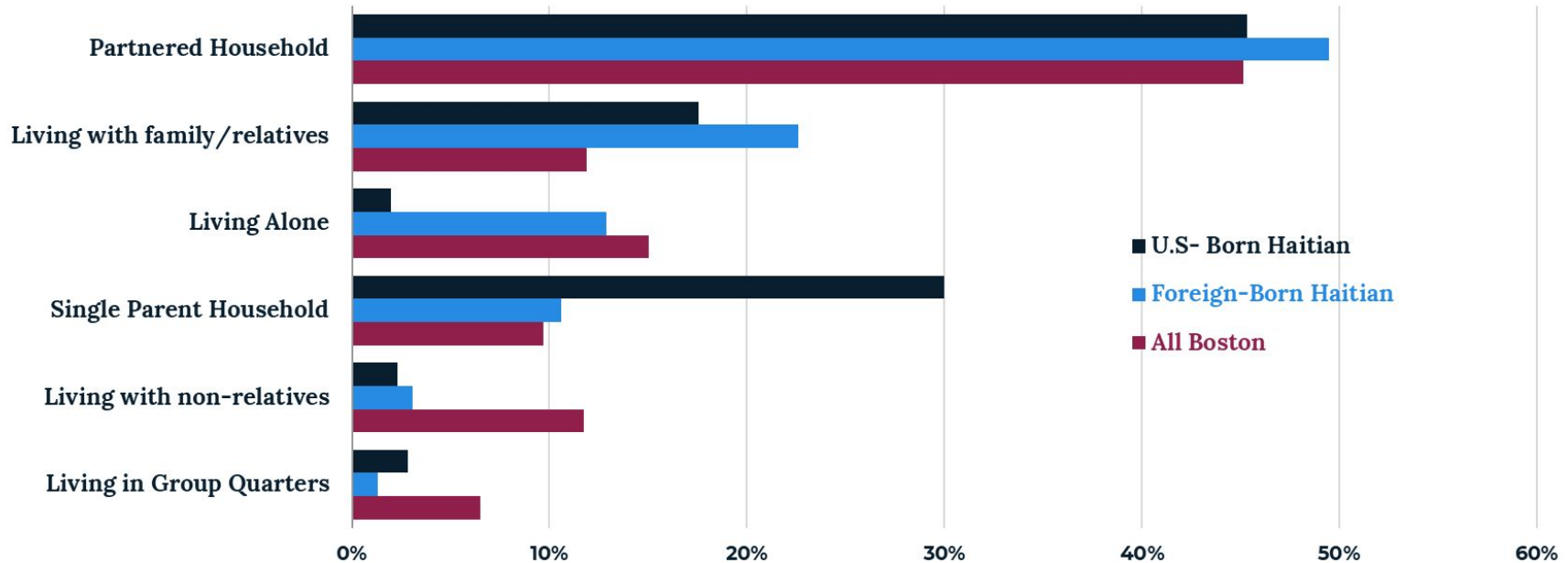
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U.S.-BORN HAITIAN HOUSEHOLDS ARE DISPROPORTIONATELY SINGLE PARENT

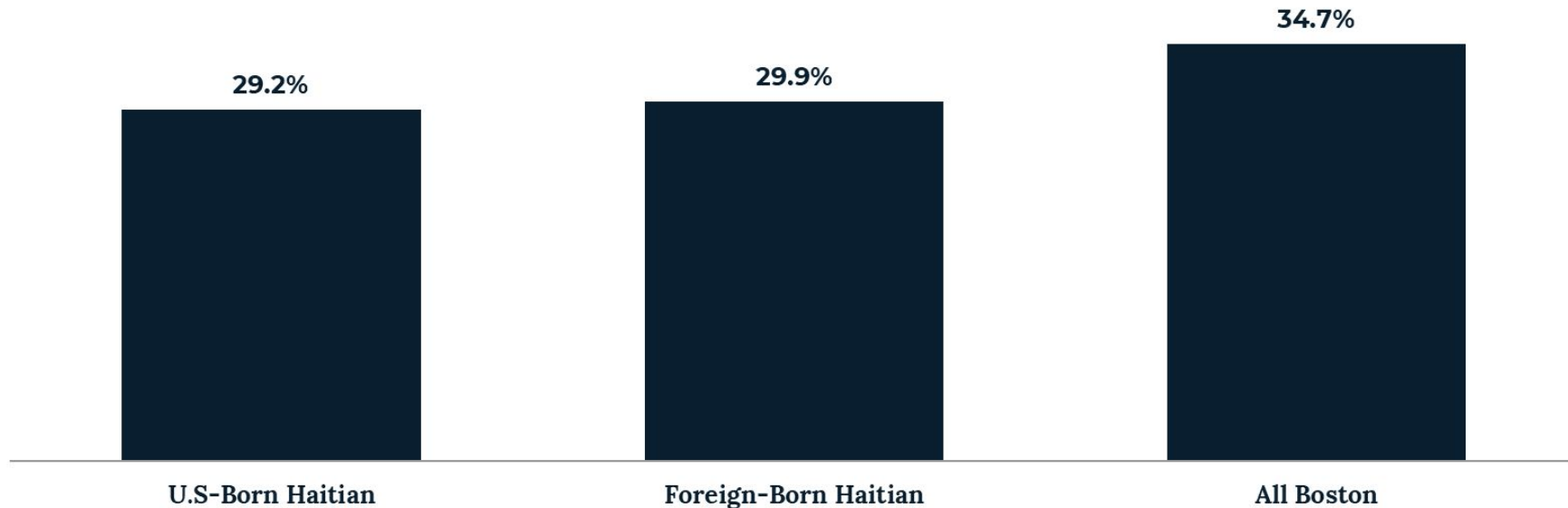
HOUSEHOLD STRUCTURE



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HAITIANS ARE LESS LIKELY TO LIVE IN OWNER OCCUPIED HOUSING

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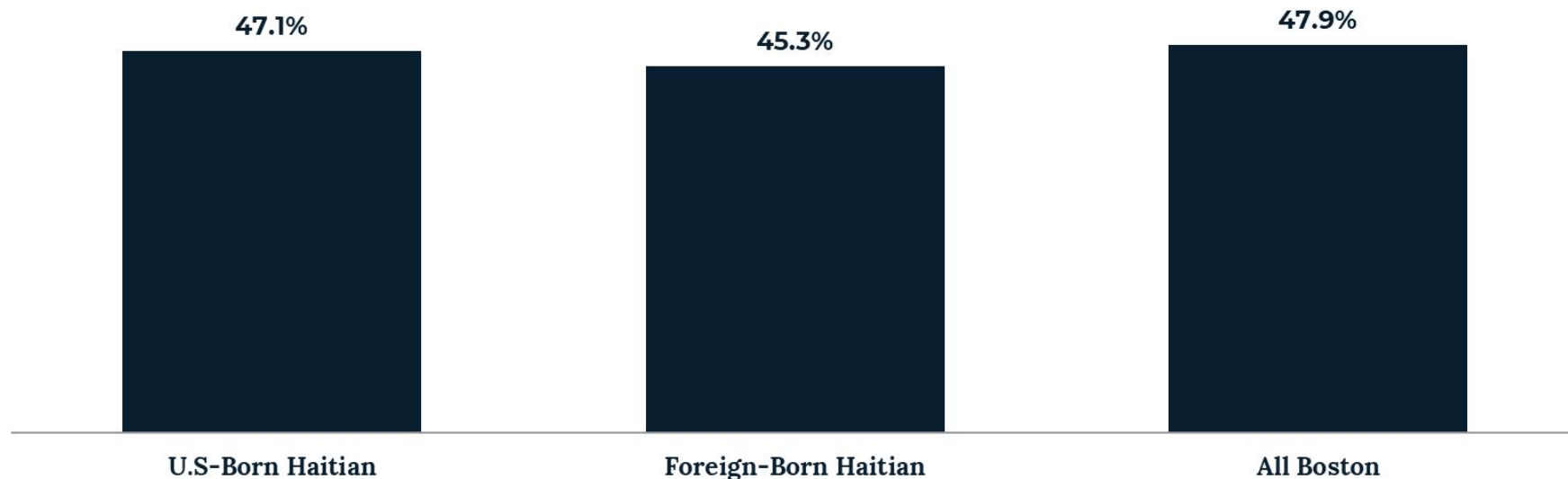


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HAITIANS HAVE SIMILAR SHARES OF RENT-COST BURDENED HOUSEHOLDS

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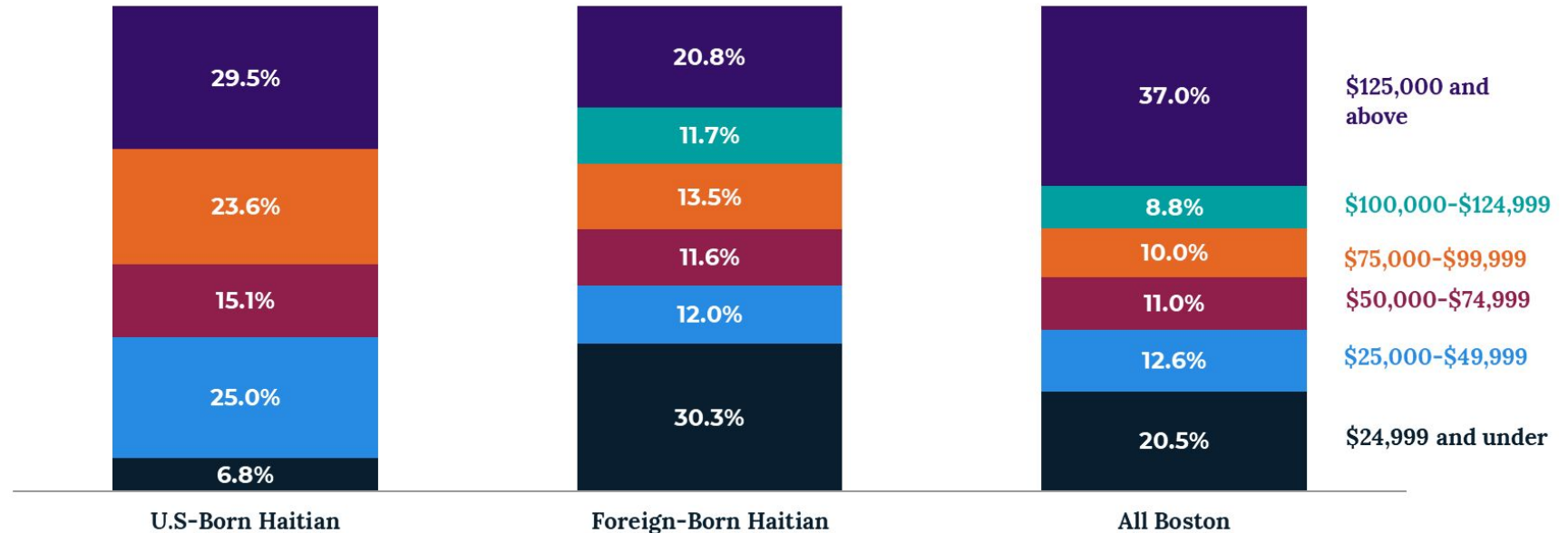
HOUSEHOLDS SPEND MORE THAN 30% OF INCOME ON RENT



Source: 2028-2022 American Community Survey, City of Boston Planning Department Research Division Analysis.

HOUSEHOLDS HEADED BY US-BORN HAITIANS HAVE HIGHER HOUSEHOLD INCOMES

HOUSEHOLD INCOME CATEGORIES



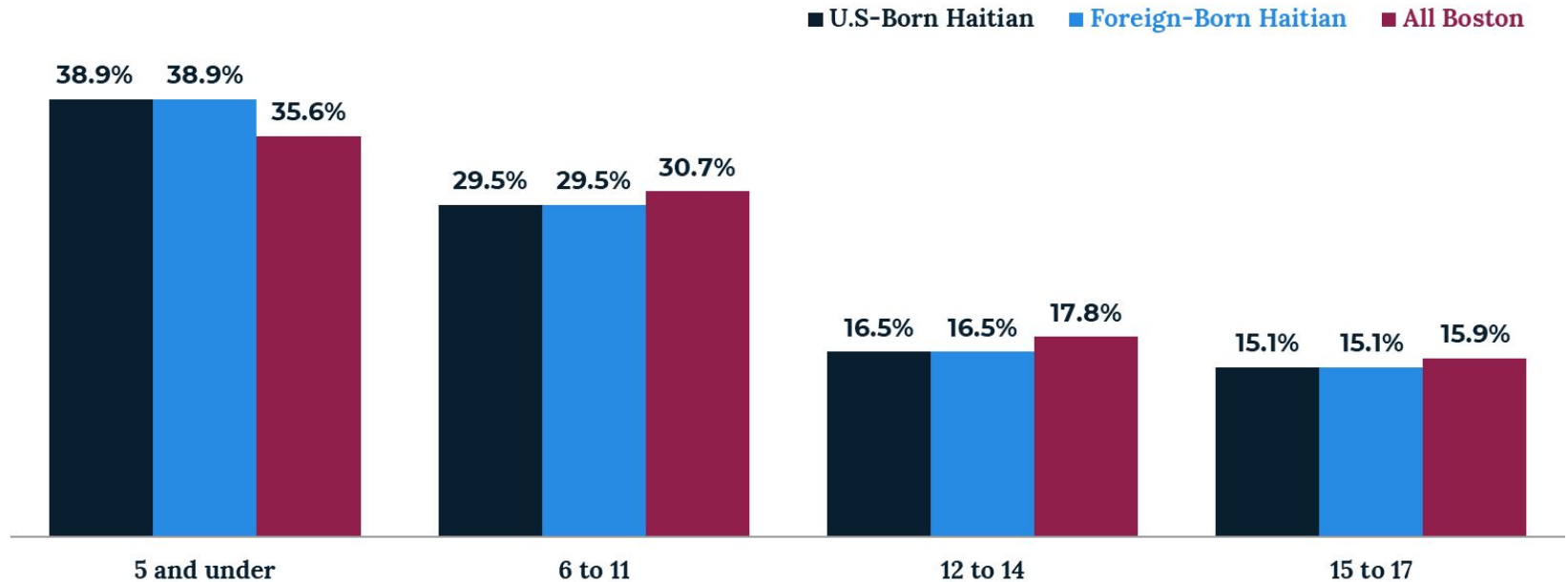
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HAITIAN CHILDREN'S AGE PROFILE IS SIMILAR TO OTHER POPULATIONS IN BOSTON

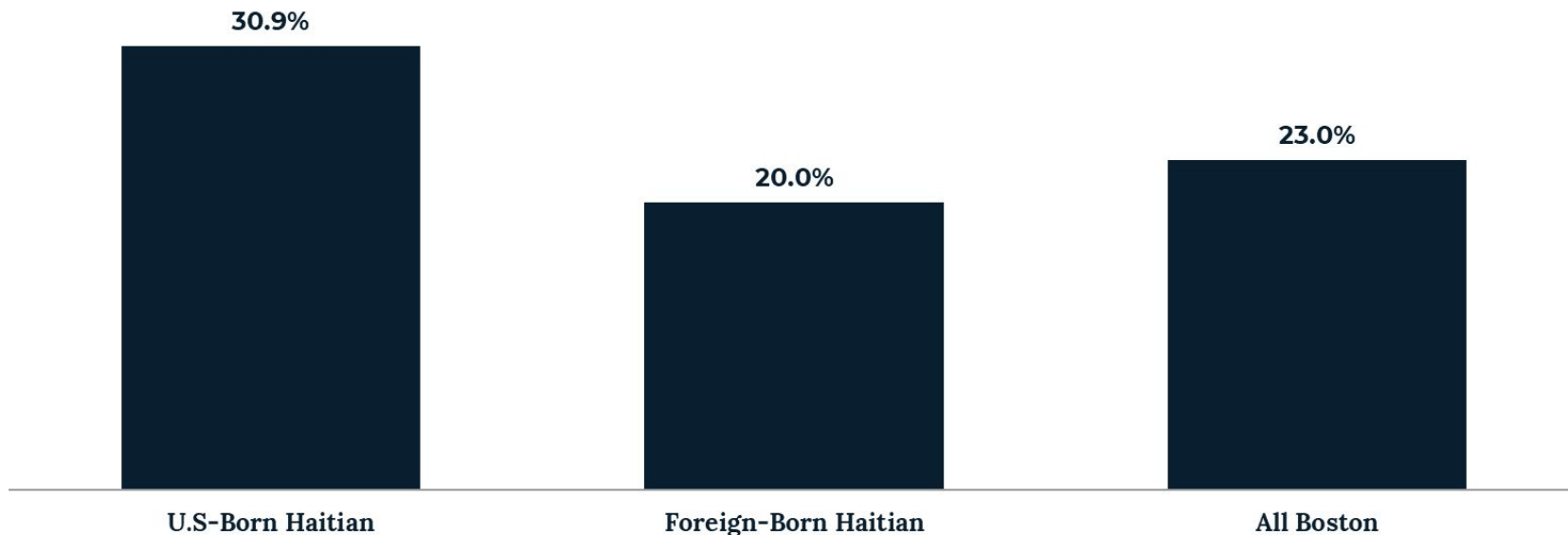
CHILDREN'S AGE GROUPS



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FOREIGN-BORN HAITIAN CHILDREN ARE LESS LIKELY TO LIVE IN POVERTY BUT U.S.-BORN ARE NOT

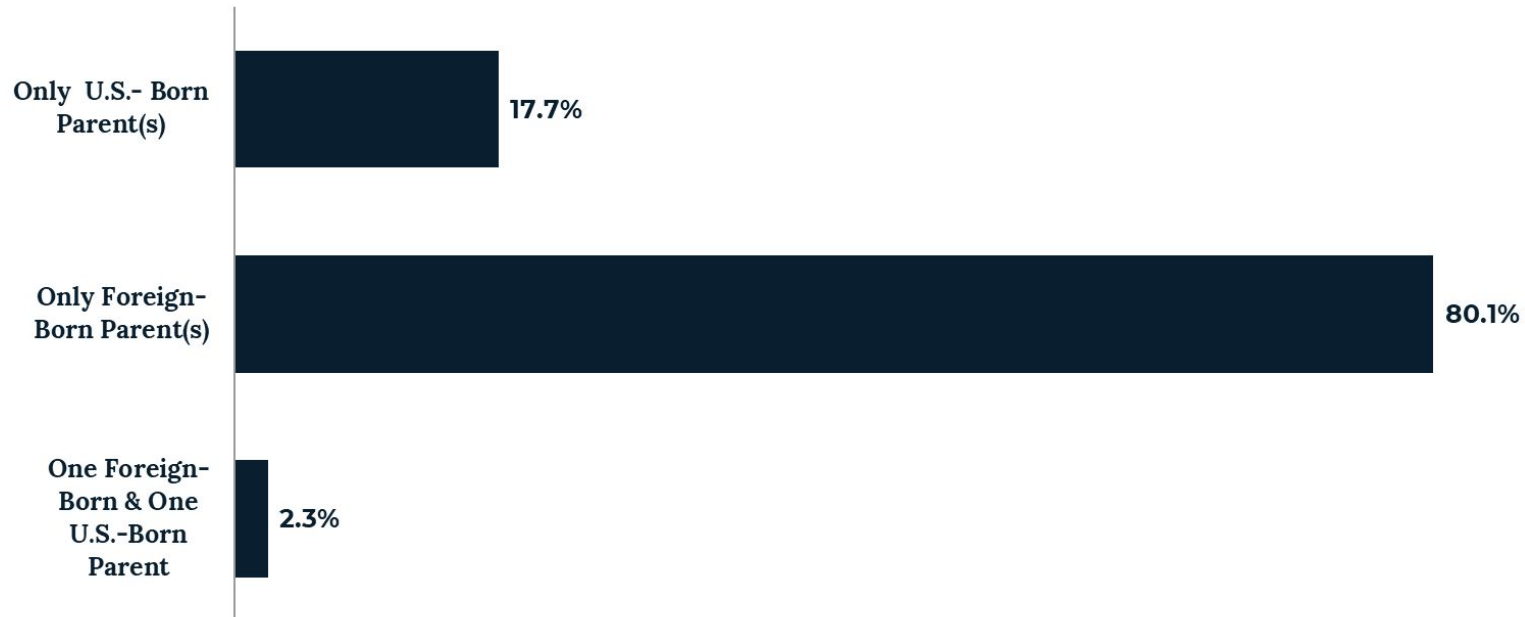
CHILDREN LIVING IN POVERTY



Source: 2018-2022 American Community Survey, City of Boston Planning Department Research Division Analysis.

HAITIAN CHILDREN PREDOMINANTLY LIVE WITH FOREIGN-BORN PARENTS

PARENTS' NATIVITY OF HAITIAN CHILDREN



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CONCLUSION

1 GEOGRAPHIC DISPERSION

Haitians arrive in Boston but move to the suburbs over time

2 EDUCATION & EMPLOYMENT

Haitians have high labor force participation, and U.S.-Born Haitians have high educational attainment

3 CHILDREN

Higher shares of U.S.-Born Haitian children live in poverty