



# A Prosperous Boston for All

*Dominicans*



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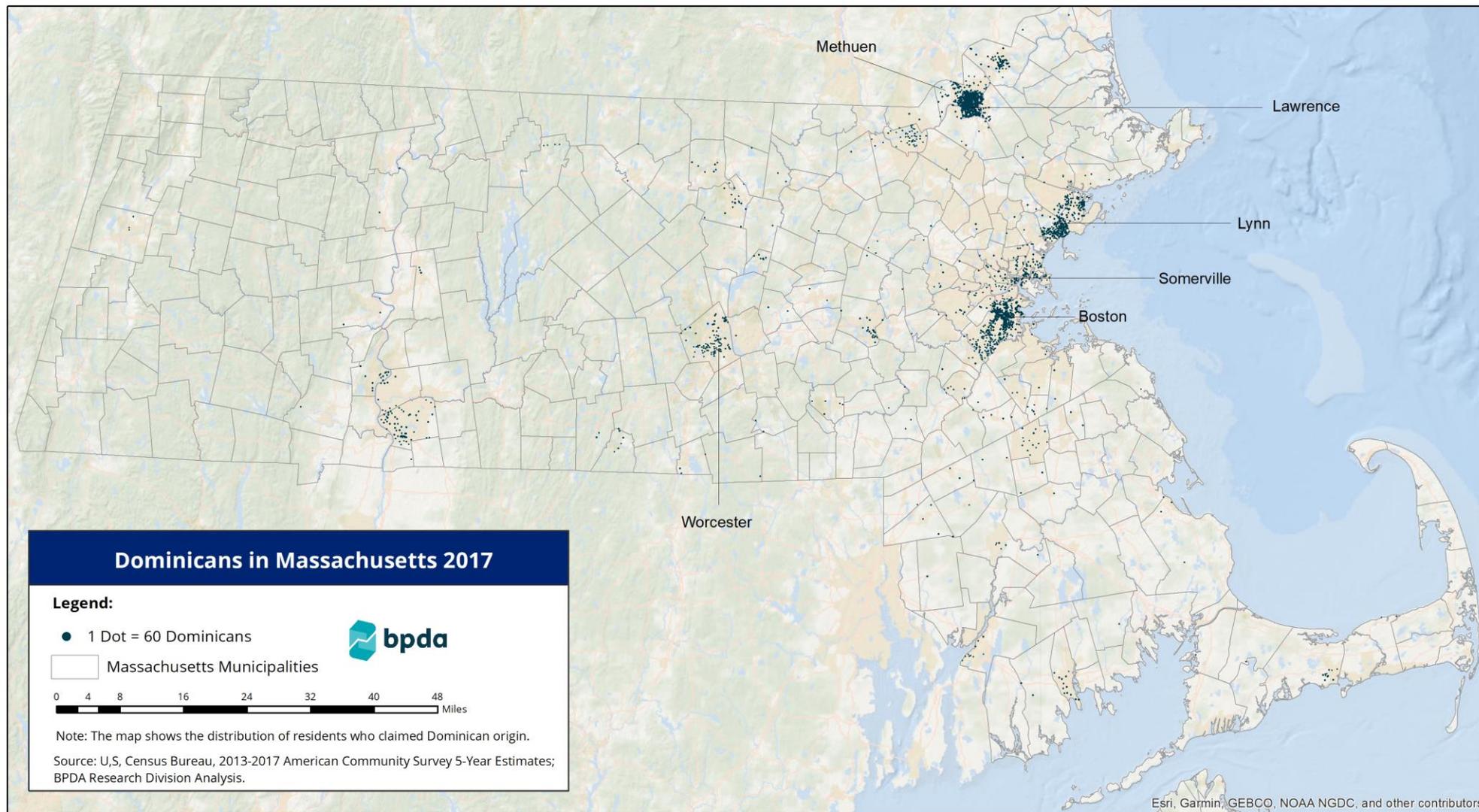
Mayor Martin J. Walsh

# Dominicans' contribution to the economy as workers and entrepreneurs is significant.



- **Dominicans (people who were born in the Dominican Republic or who identify as having Dominican ancestry) make up 6% of Boston's population (37,576 people).**
- **Dominicans living in Boston hold 16,360 jobs and own approximately 551 businesses.**
- **Dominicans in Boston earned \$403 million in income in 2016.**
- **Dominicans' consumer demand supported an additional 1,320 jobs and contributed \$202.2 million to Boston's gross city product in 2016.**
- **Dominicans contributed \$20.5 million in state income taxes and \$6.7 million in state sales taxes in 2016.**

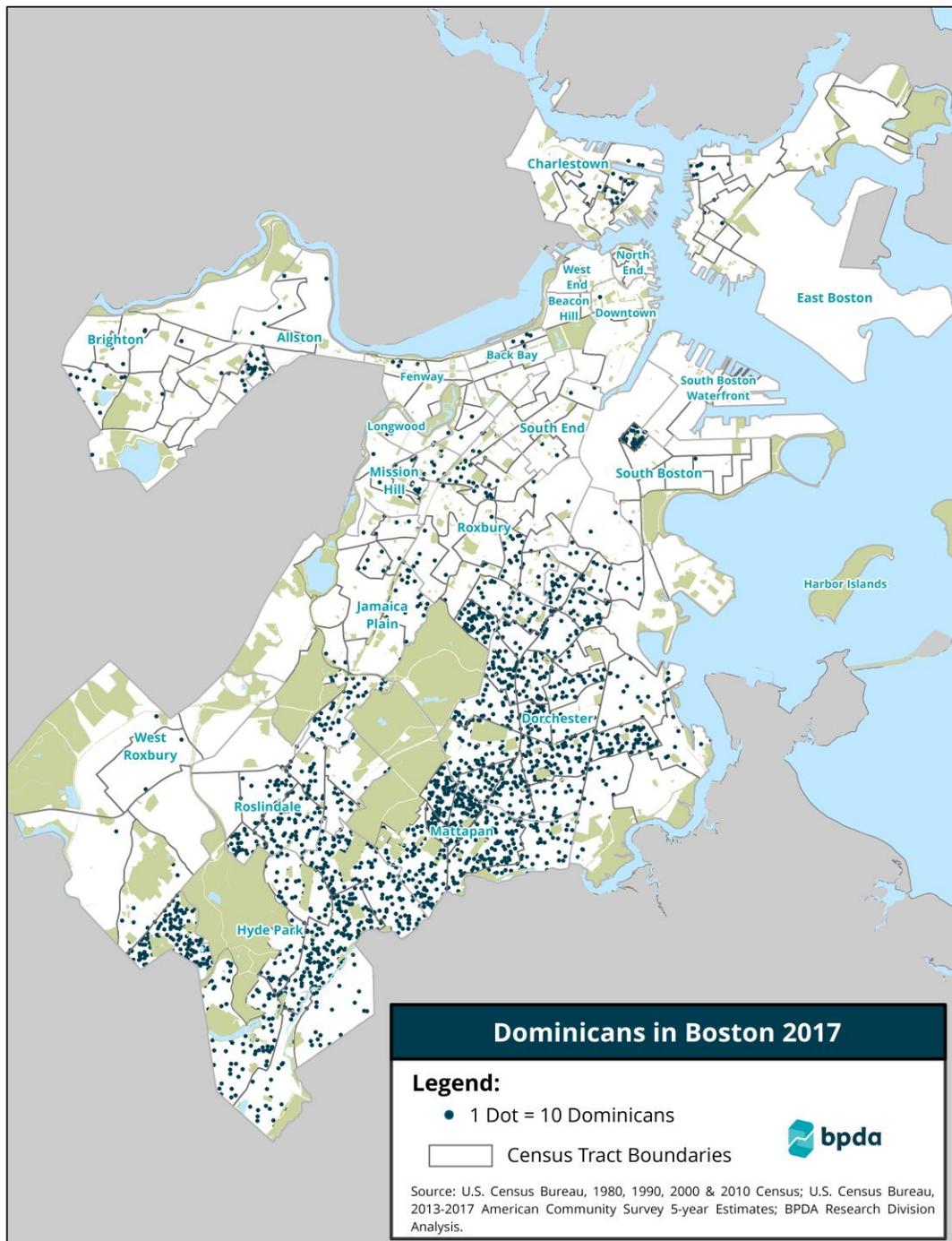
# The 103,000 Dominicans in Massachusetts live primarily in Boston, Somerville, Methuen, Lynn, Lawrence, and Worcester.



# Dominicans in Boston



**Dominicans in Boston live predominantly in parts of Mattapan and Dorchester.**

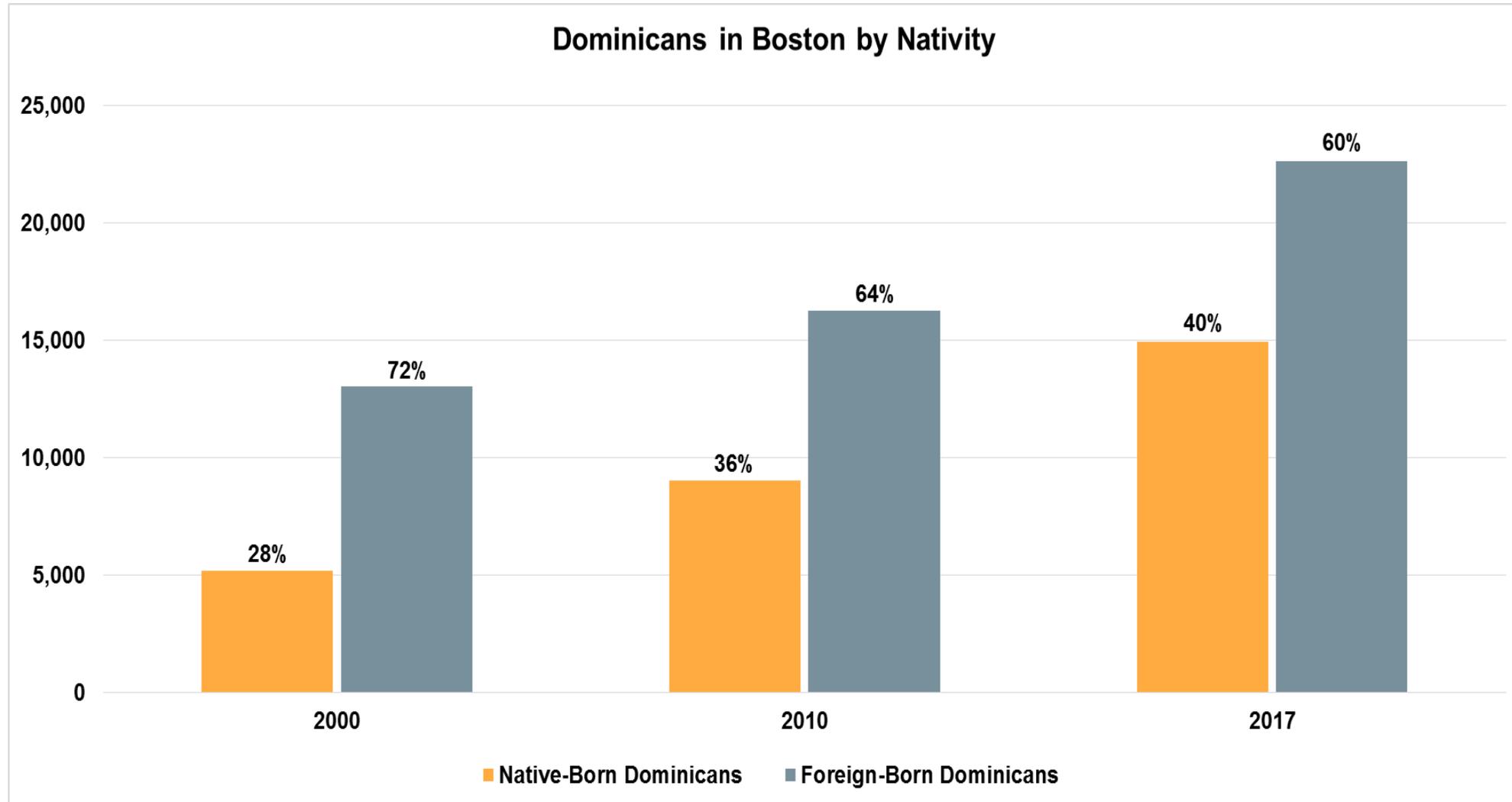


# The Dominican community of Boston has more than doubled since 2000 and the native-born share has increased to 40%.

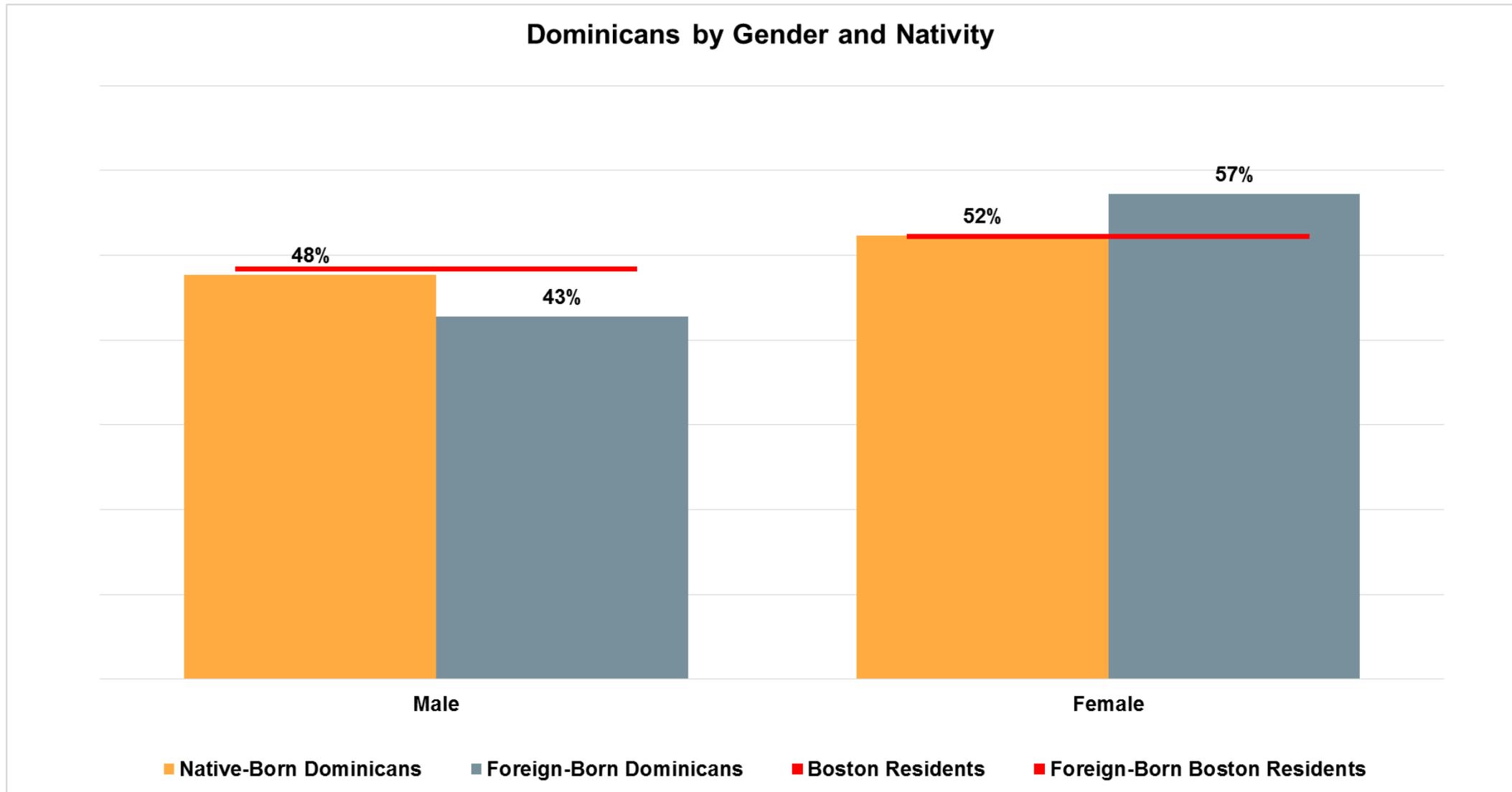


“Native-born” Dominicans were typically born in the United States and have U.S. citizenship from birth.

“Foreign-born” Dominicans were typically born in the Dominican Republic but may be naturalized U.S. citizens.



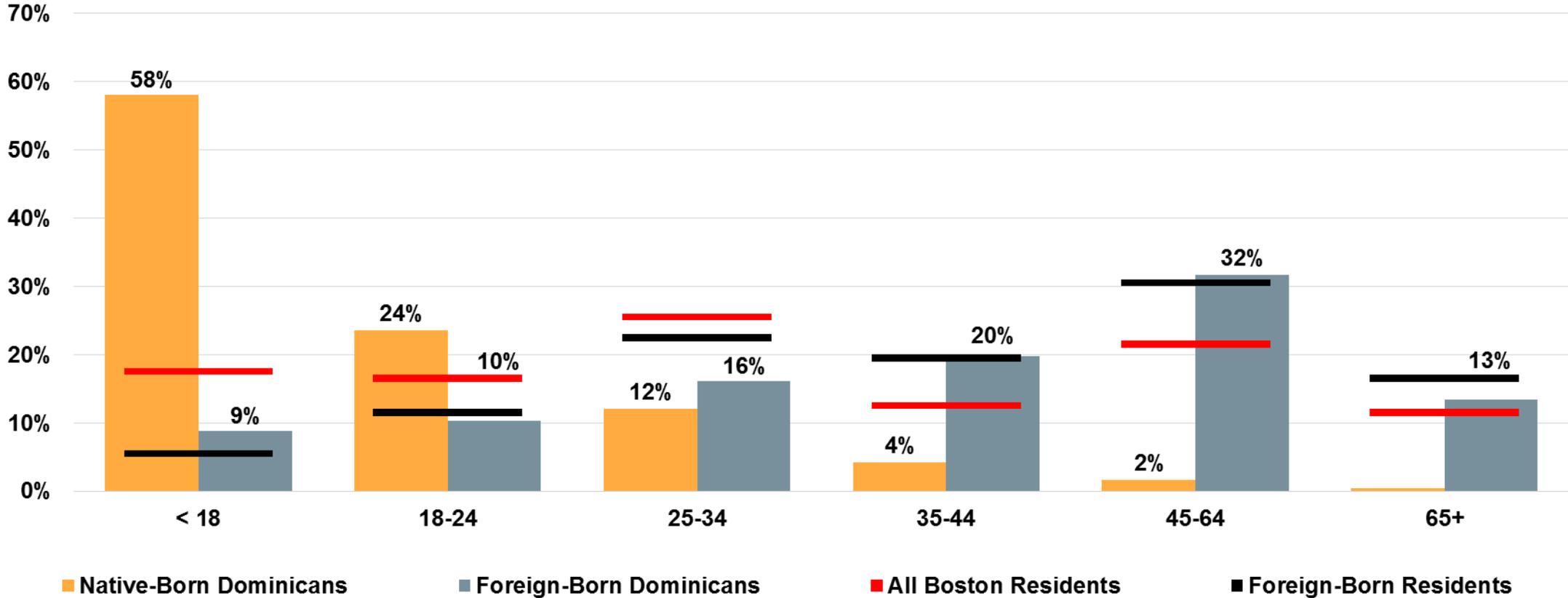
# 57% of the foreign-born Dominican population is female.



# 45% of foreign-born Dominicans are older than 45, while 58% of native-born Dominicans are children.



Age Distribution of Dominicans

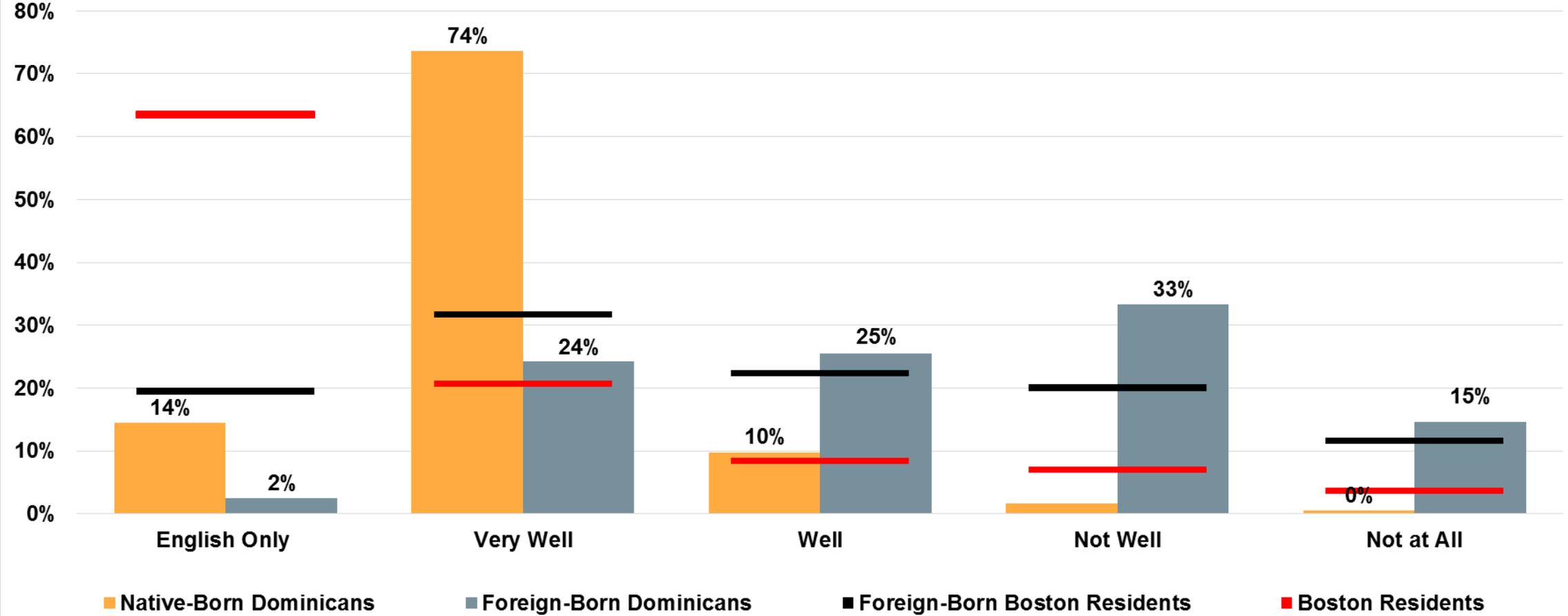


Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2013-2017 ACS Community Survey, PUMS, BPDA Research Division.

# Native-born Dominicans speak English very well, while many foreign-born Dominicans are not proficient in English.



English Proficiency of Dominicans by Nativity

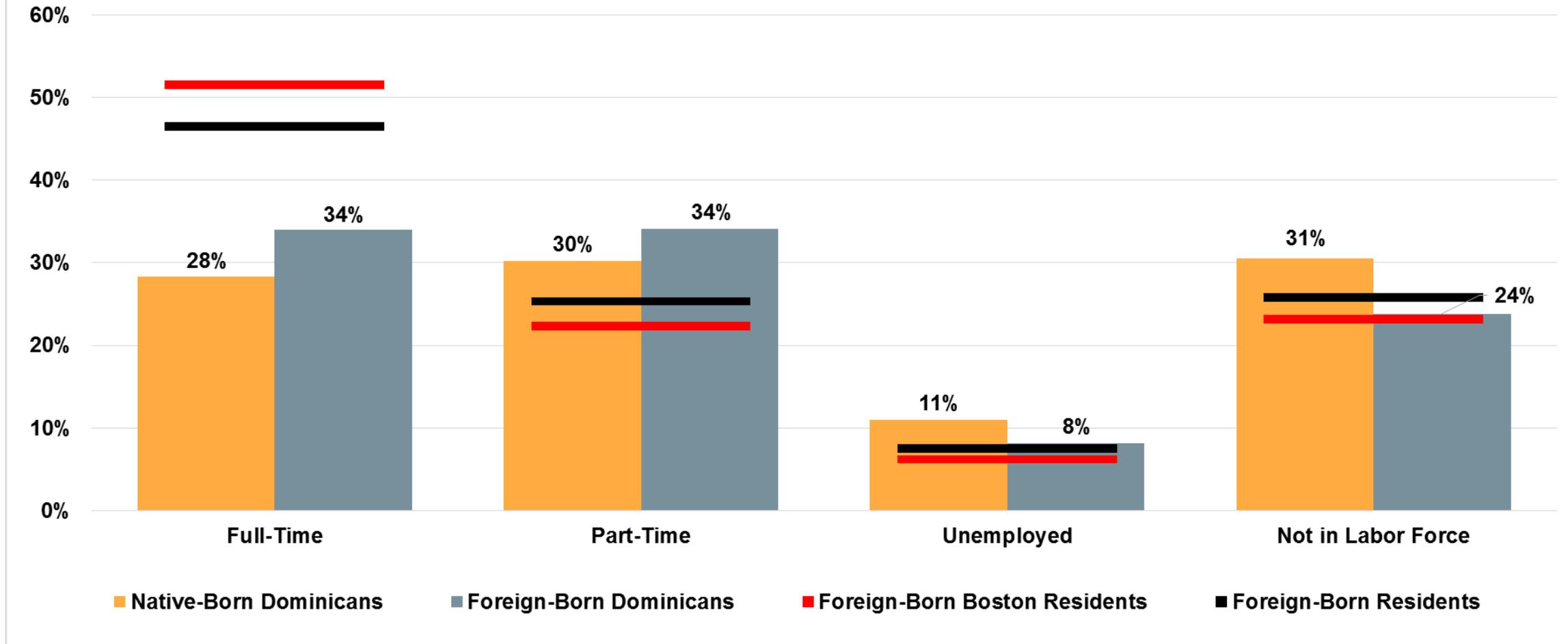


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# About 1/3 of adult Dominicans work full-time.



### Employment Type (18-64 Years)



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Note: Unemployment in the 5-year ACS is not comparable to the monthly citywide unemployment rate given by the Bureau of Labor Statistics.

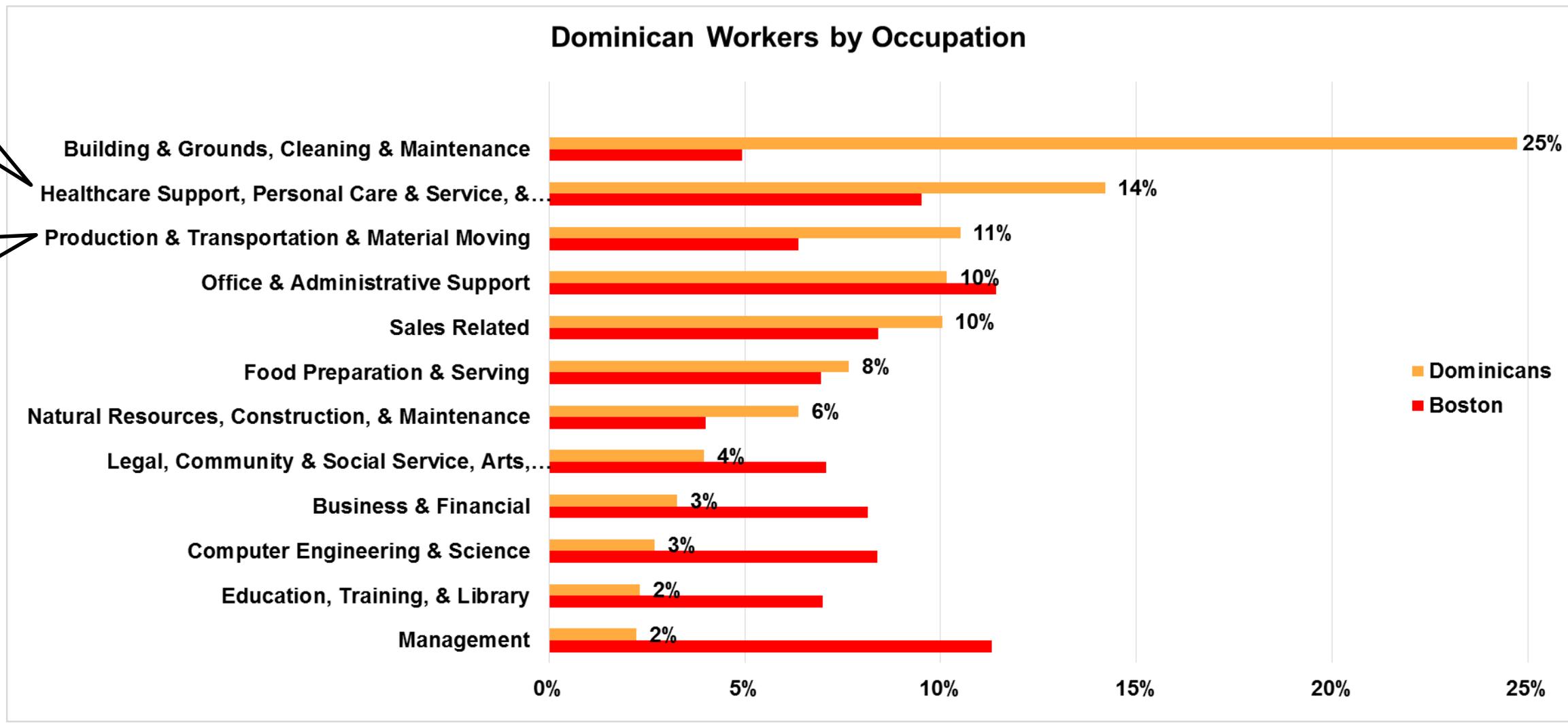
# 25% of Dominican workers (men and women) work in cleaning and maintenance occupations.



Dominican Workers by Occupation

19% of Dominican women

18% of Dominican men

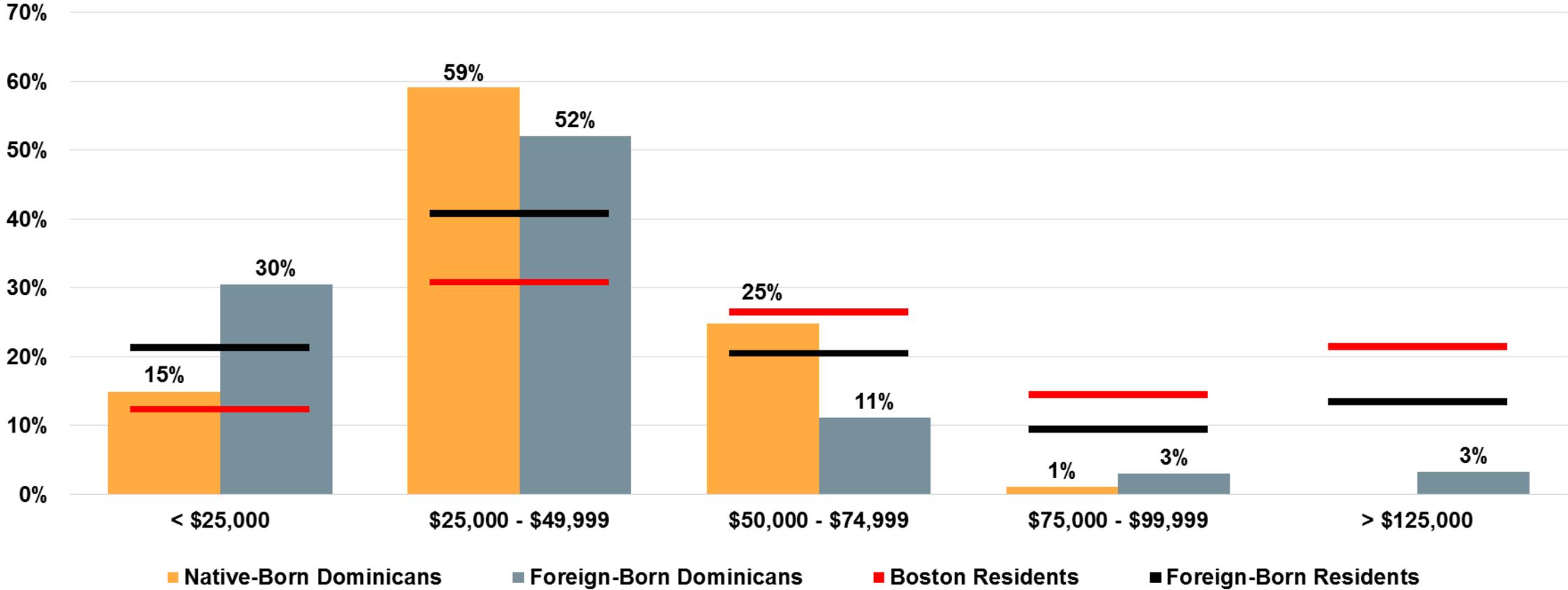


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# Native-born Dominicans workers earn more than foreign-born workers, 30% of whom earn less than \$25,000/year.



Earnings of Full-Time, Full-Year Workers



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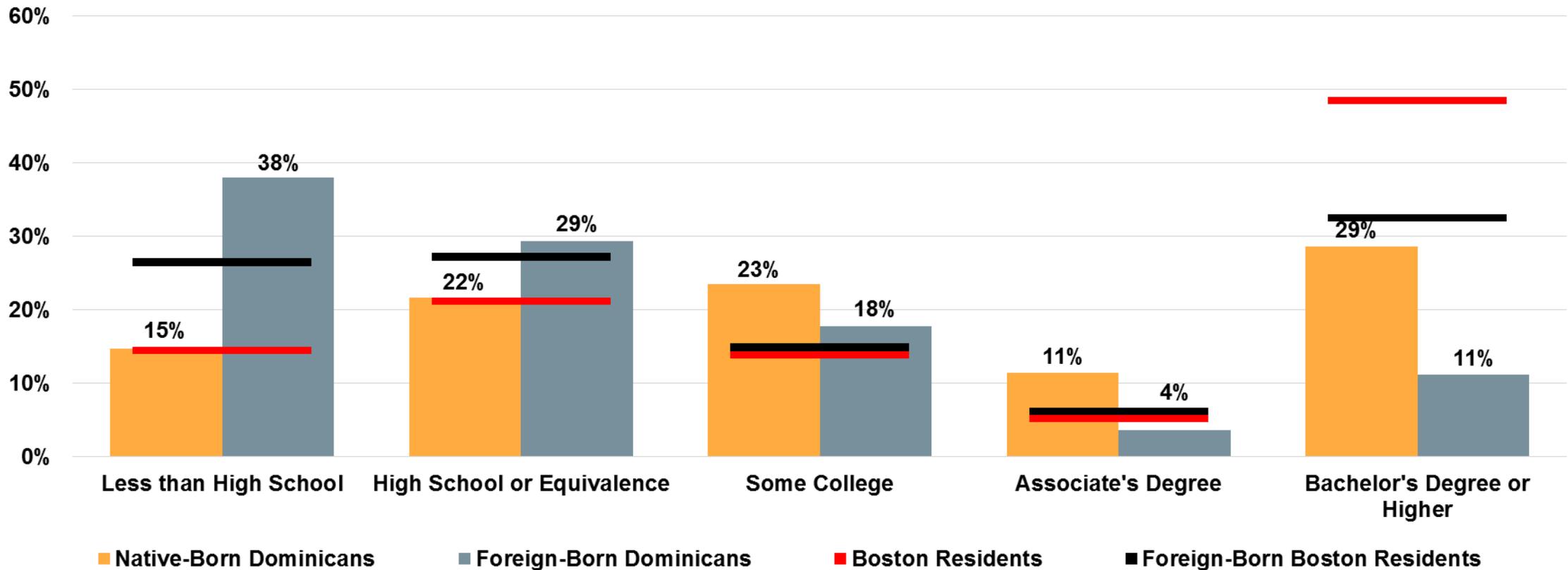
# Improving Dominicans' educational attainment will allow greater contribution to Boston's economy.



38% of foreign-born Dominicans have less than a high school education.

23% of native-born Dominicans aged 25 or older started college, but have not finished a degree.

### Educational Attainment of Dominicans by Nativity (Age 25+)

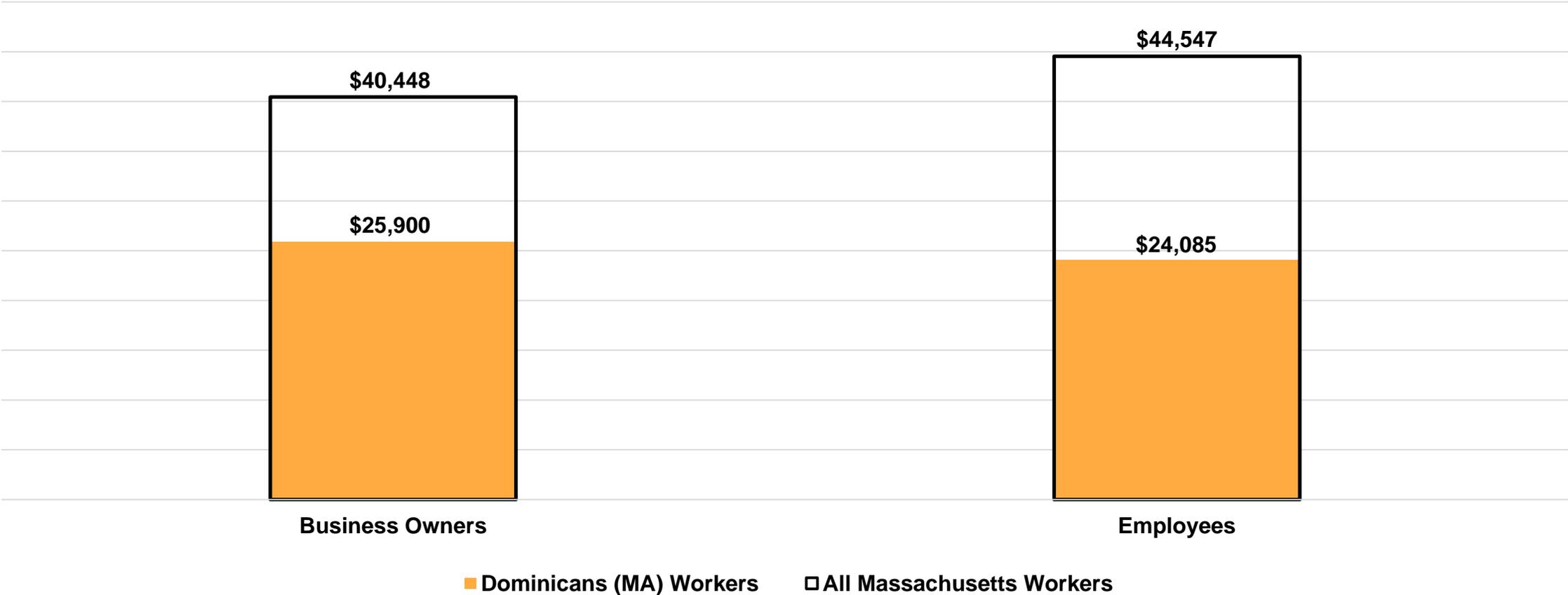


# Dominican business owners earn about the same as their counterparts who are employees.



3% of employed Dominicans in Boston are business owners, compared to 6% of all employed Boston residents.

### Median Earnings by Type of Work

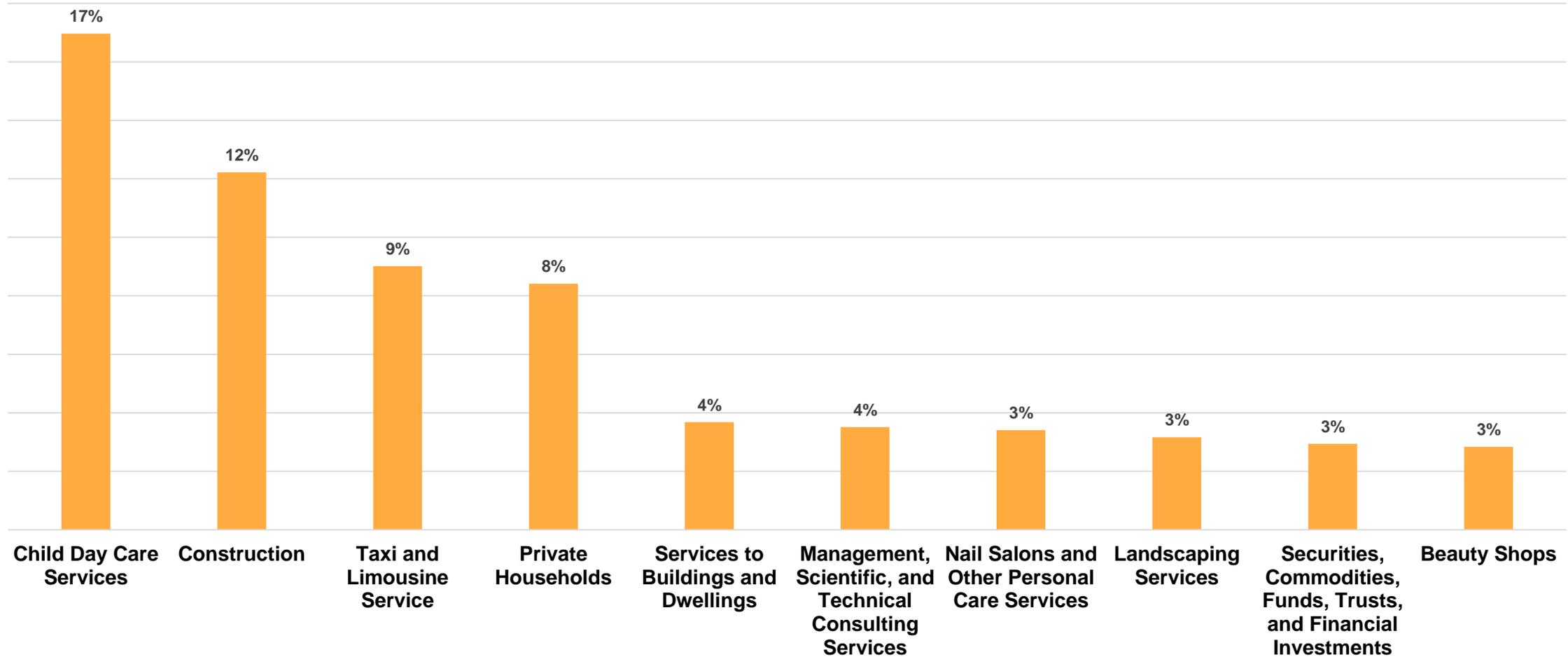


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Note: Massachusetts data are used due to small sample size in Boston.

# A third of self-employed Dominicans in Massachusetts drive taxis or limousines.

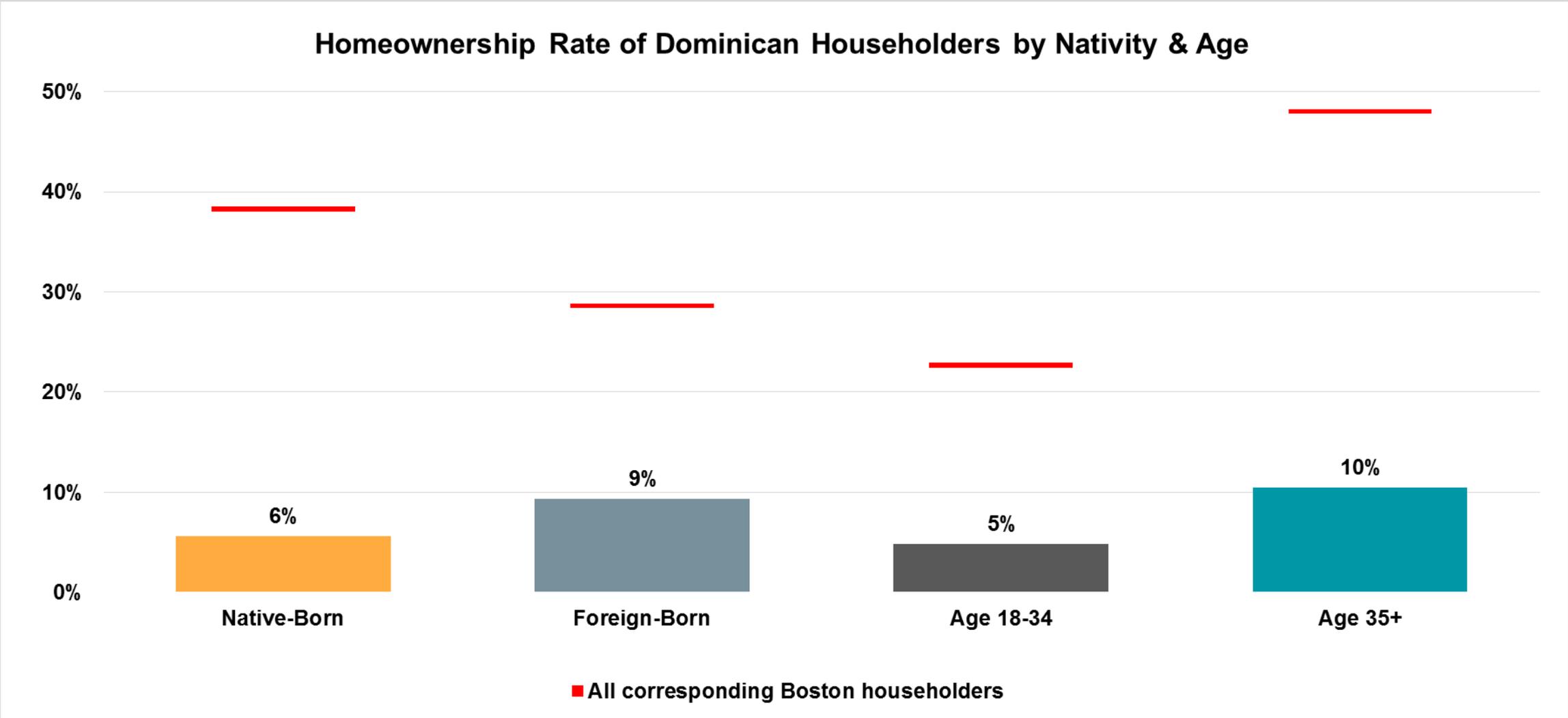


Self-Employed Dominicans in Massachusetts by Industry



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, 2013-2017 ACS Community Survey, PUMS, BPDA Research Division.

# Only 6% of native-born and 9% of foreign-born Dominican householders own their homes.



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