



Celebrating Asian – Americans and Pacific Islanders in Boston

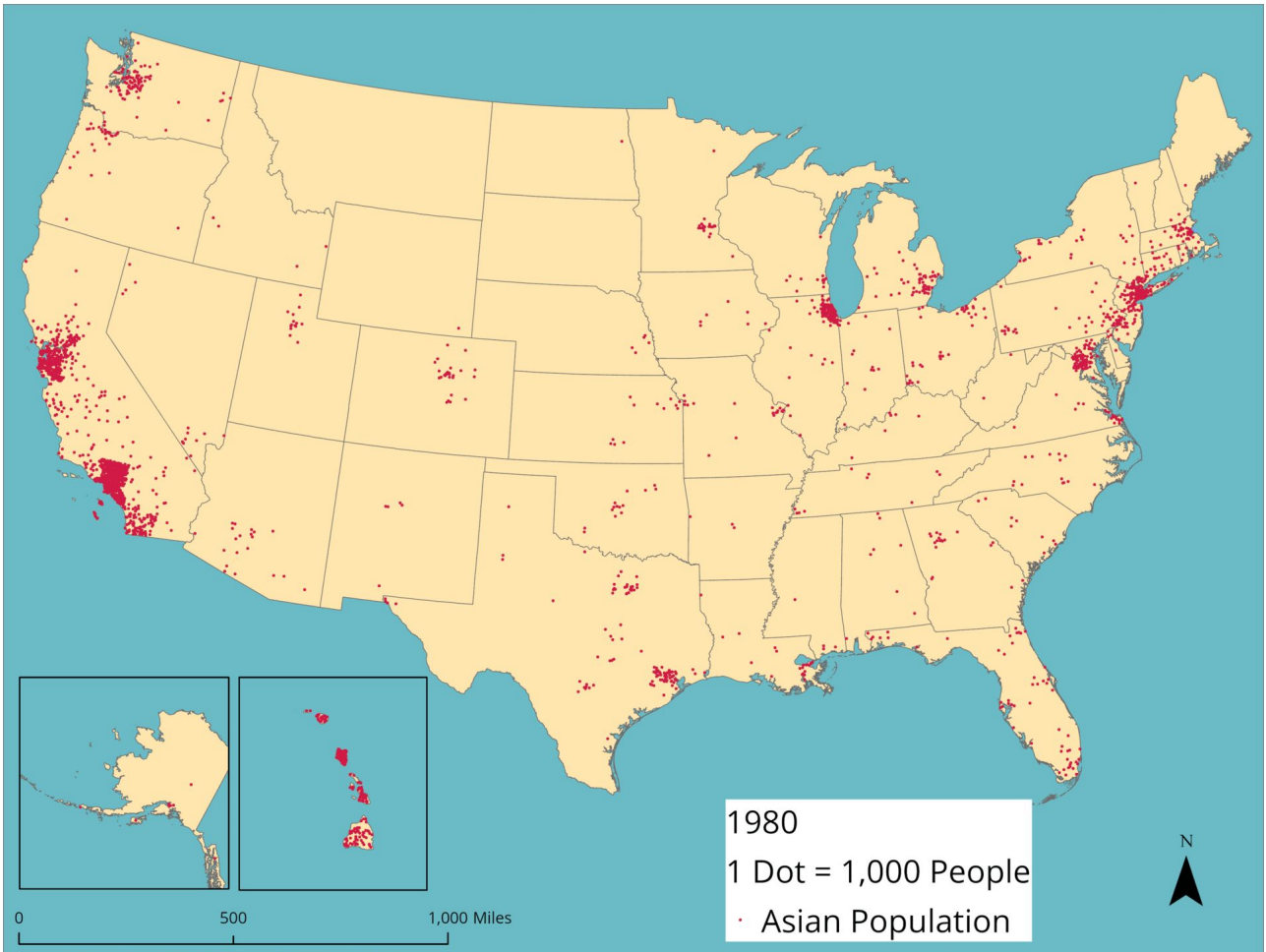
BPDA Research Division
May 10, 2024

Celebrating AAPI Heritage Month

- 1 Boston's AAPI population compared to Massachusetts and the country
- 2 AAPI residents in Boston
- 3 AAPI workers in Boston

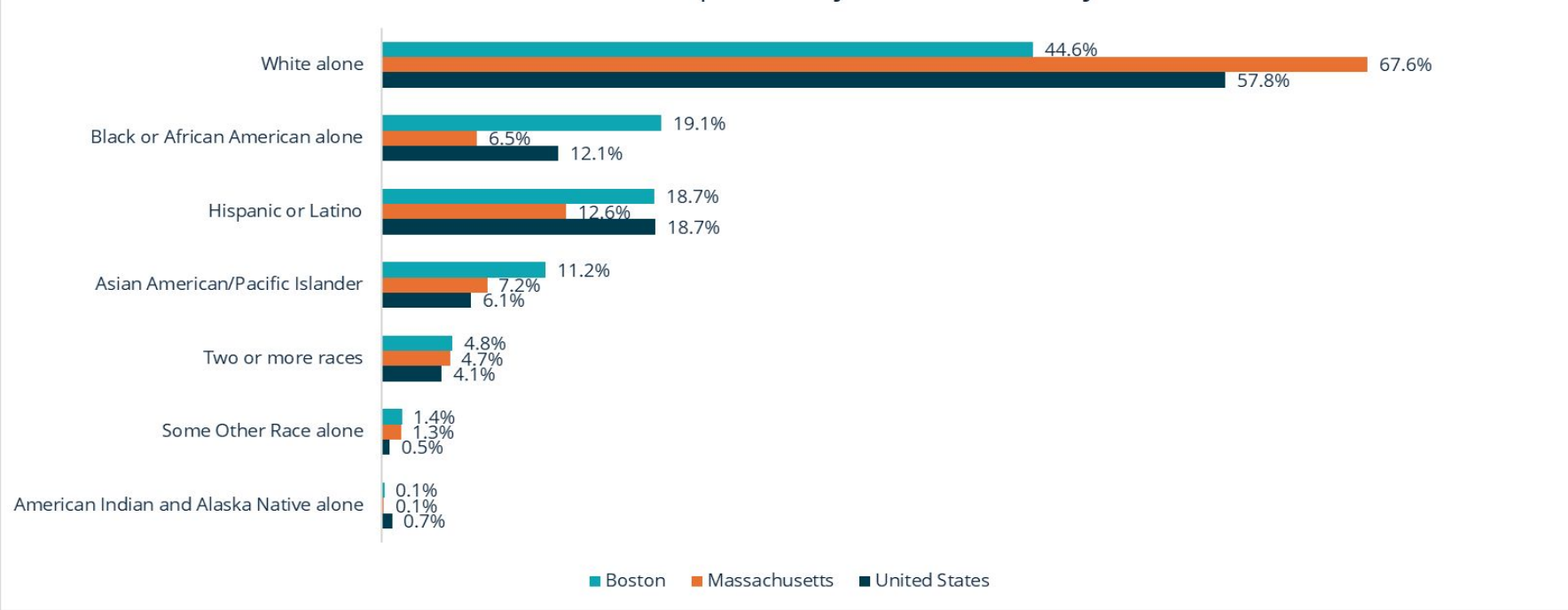
Celebrating AAPI Heritage Month

- 1 **Boston's AAPI population compared Massachusetts and the country**
⋮
- 2 **AAPI residents in Boston**
⋮
- 3 **AAPI workers in Boston**



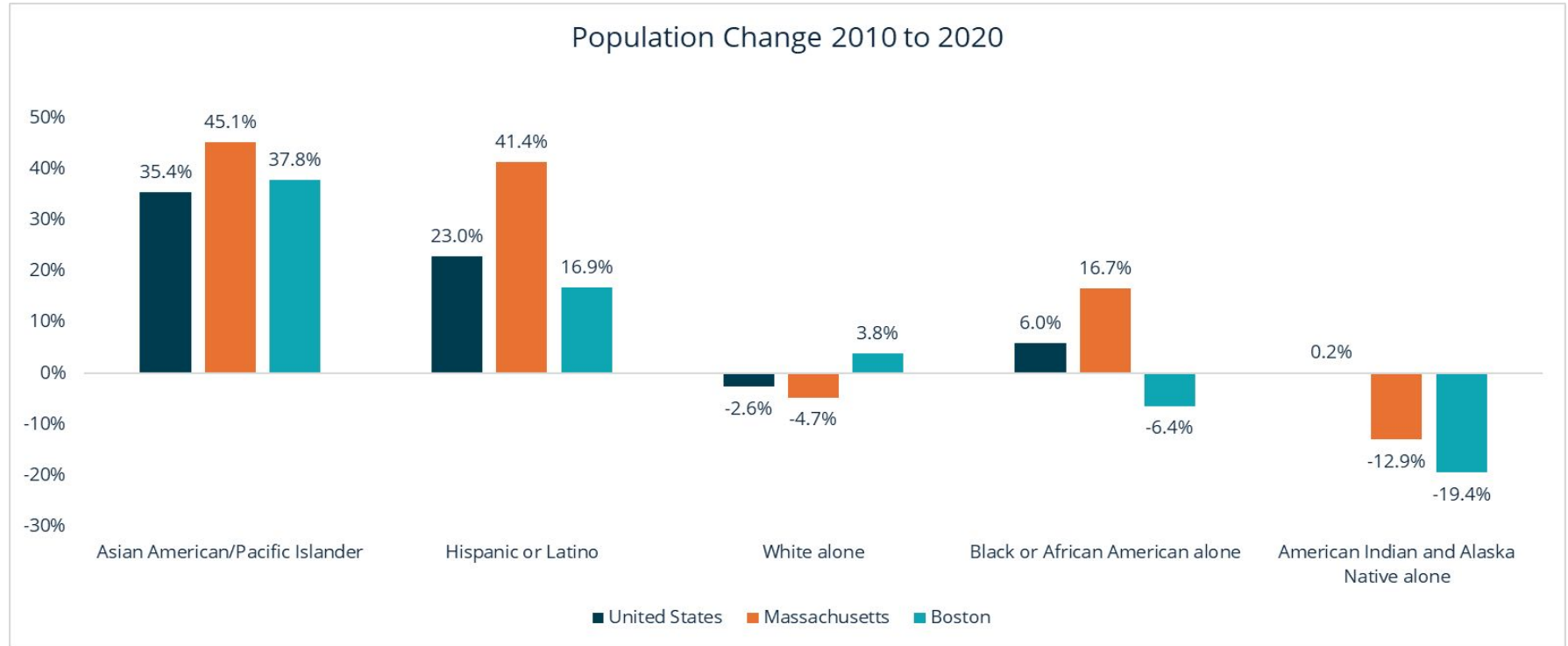
With a population of 75,839, Boston's AAPI is the 4th largest group and it is a larger share than for Massachusetts or the US

2020 Share of Population by Race and Ethnicity



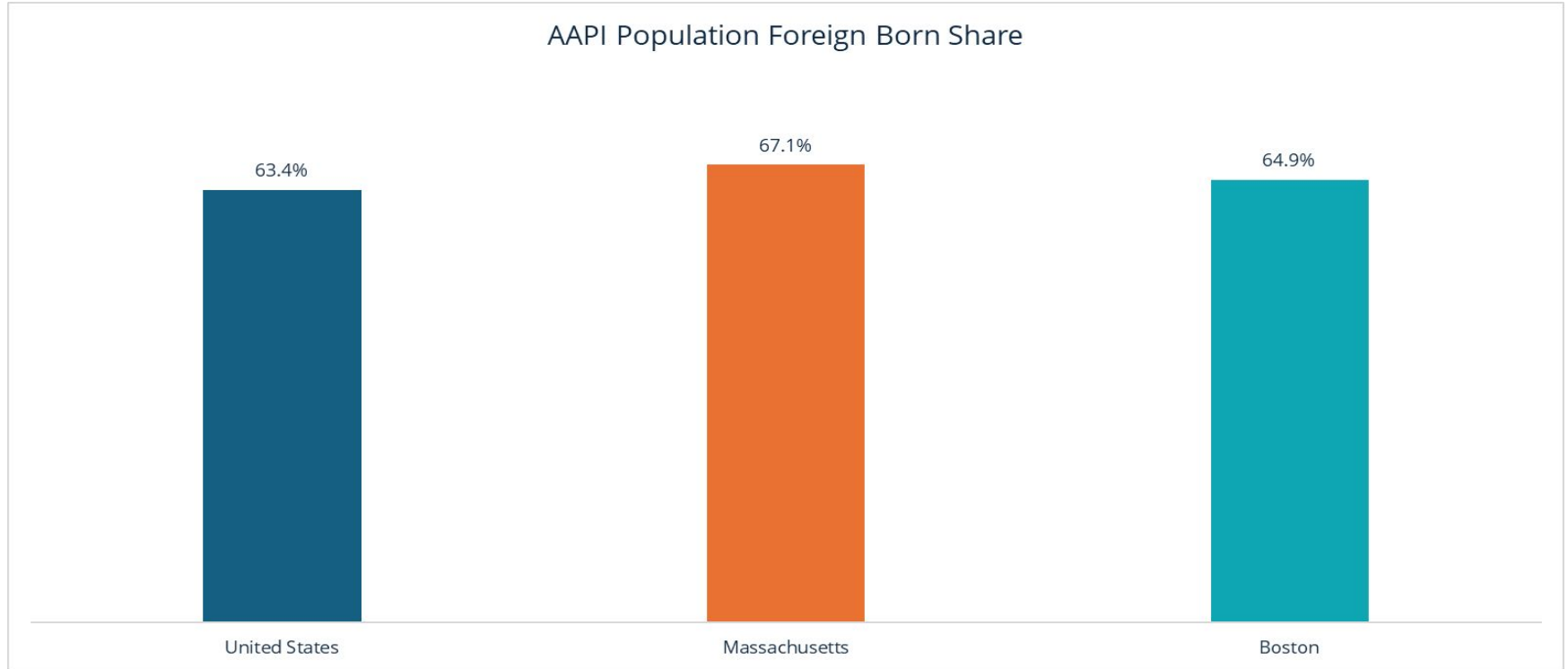
Source: 2020 Census, BPDA Research Division Analysis

The AAPI population is the fastest growing racial/ethnic group in Boston, Massachusetts, and the US



Source: 2010 & 2020 Censuses, BPDA Research Division Analysis

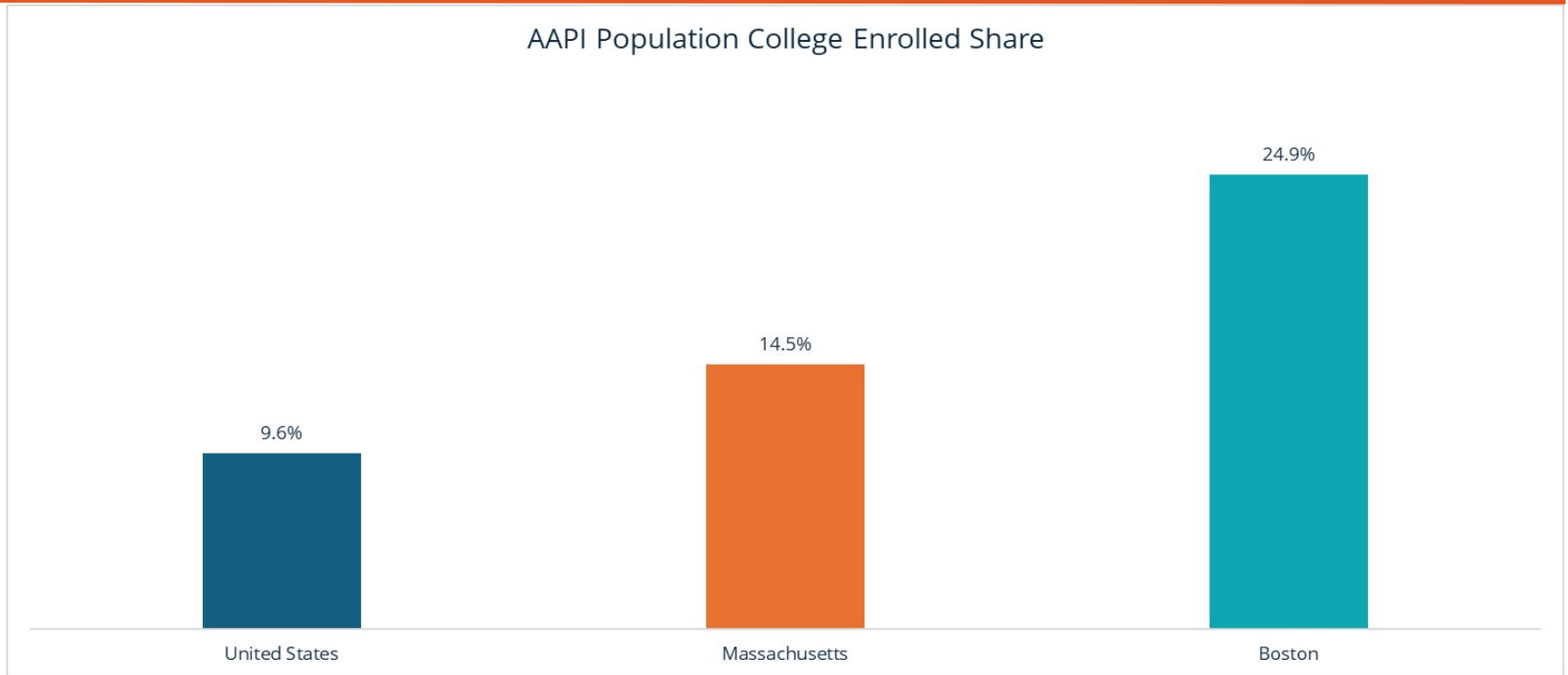
The AAPI population is predominantly foreign born and its growth has depended on US immigration policy



Source: 2022 American Community Survey (PUMS), BPDA Research Division Analysis

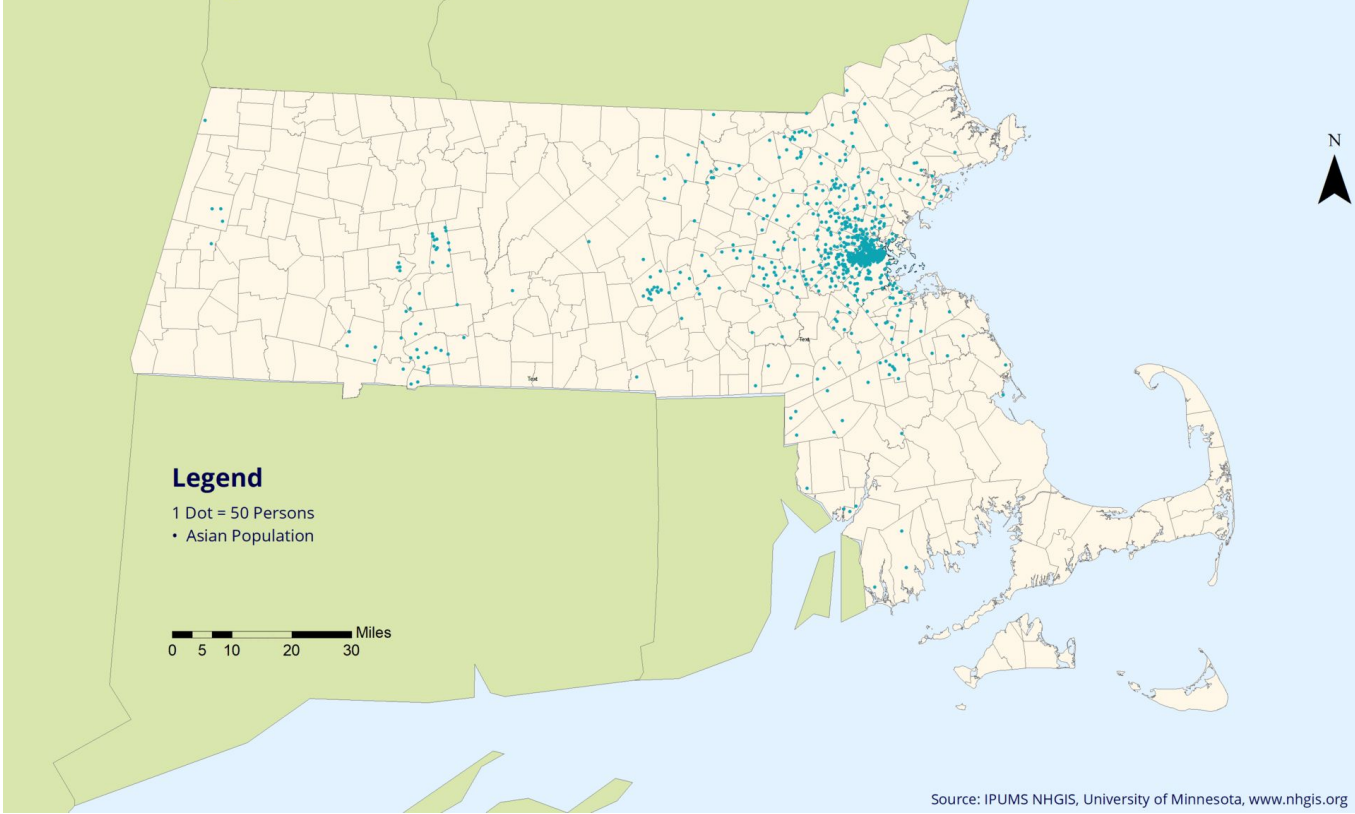
College students make up a larger share of Boston's AAPI population compared to Massachusetts and the country

AAPI Population College Enrolled Share



Source: 2022 American Community Survey (PUMS), BPDA Research Division Analysis

Asian Population in Massachusetts , 1980



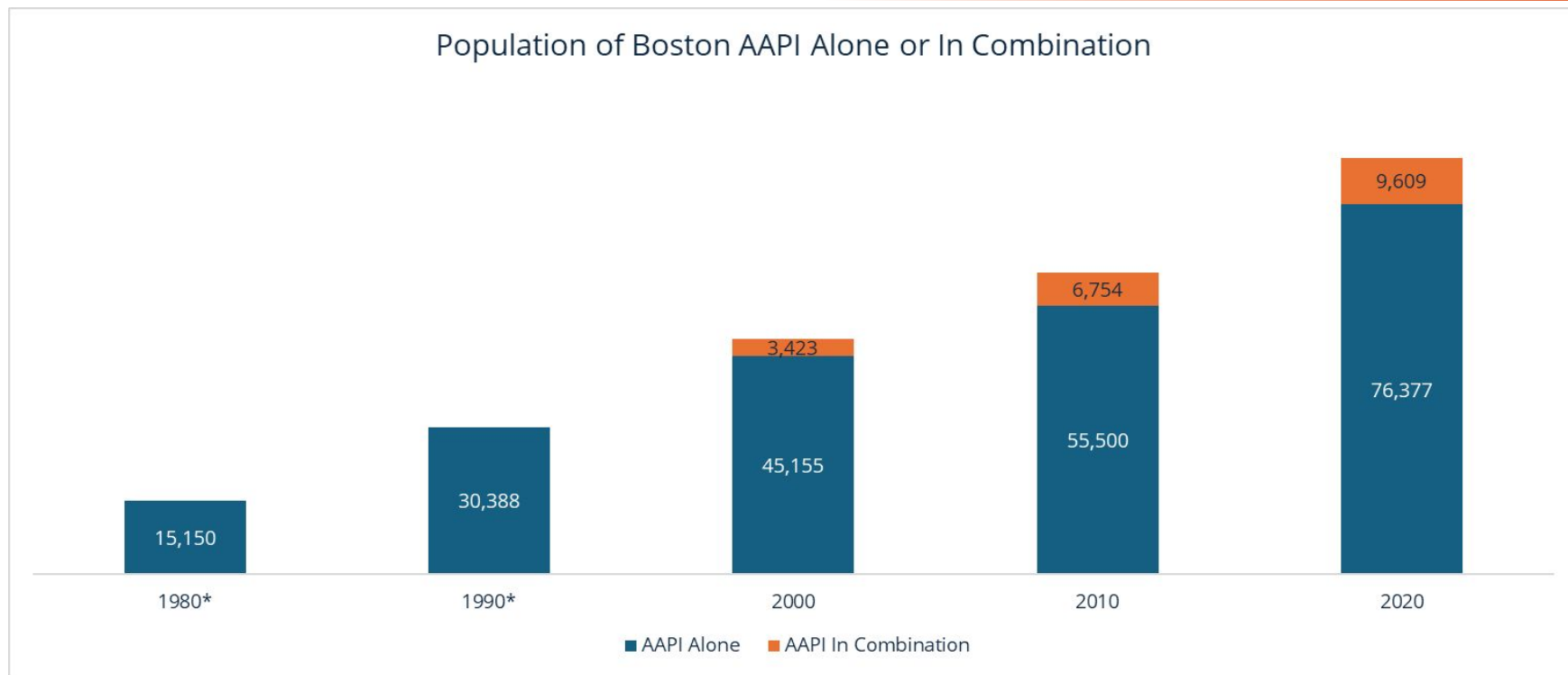
N

Boston, Quincy, Cambridge, Malden, and Lowell are the cities with the largest AAPI populations in 2020

Celebrating AAPI Heritage Month

- 1 Boston's AAPI population compared to Massachusetts and the country
- 2 AAPI residents in Boston
- 3 AAPI workers in Boston

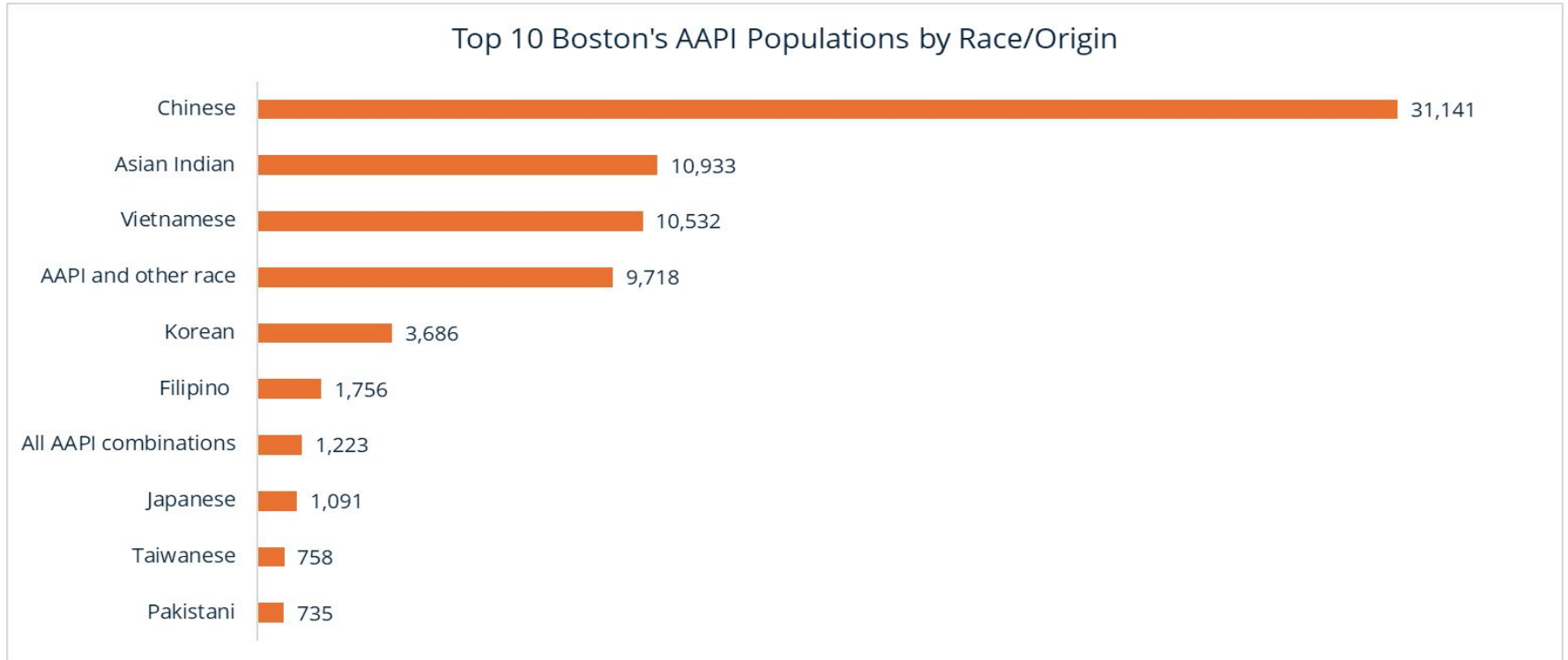
The AAPI population of Boston is more than 5 times larger than it was in 1980, reaching 85,986 - 9.6% of Boston's population in 2020



* Multiracial data was not collected prior to the 2000 Decennial Census

Source: 1980, 1990, 2000 Decennial Census, BPDA Research Division Analysis

Chinese, Asian Indians, and Vietnamese are the three largest AAPI populations in Boston

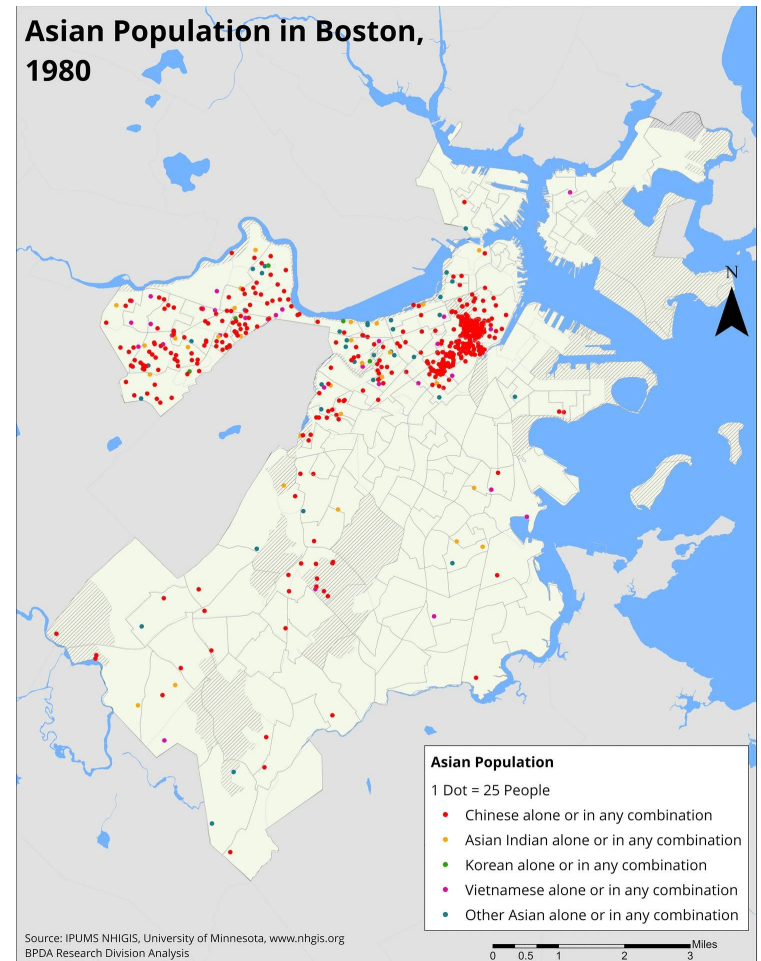


Source: 2018-2022 American Community Survey (PUMS), BPDA Research Division Analysis

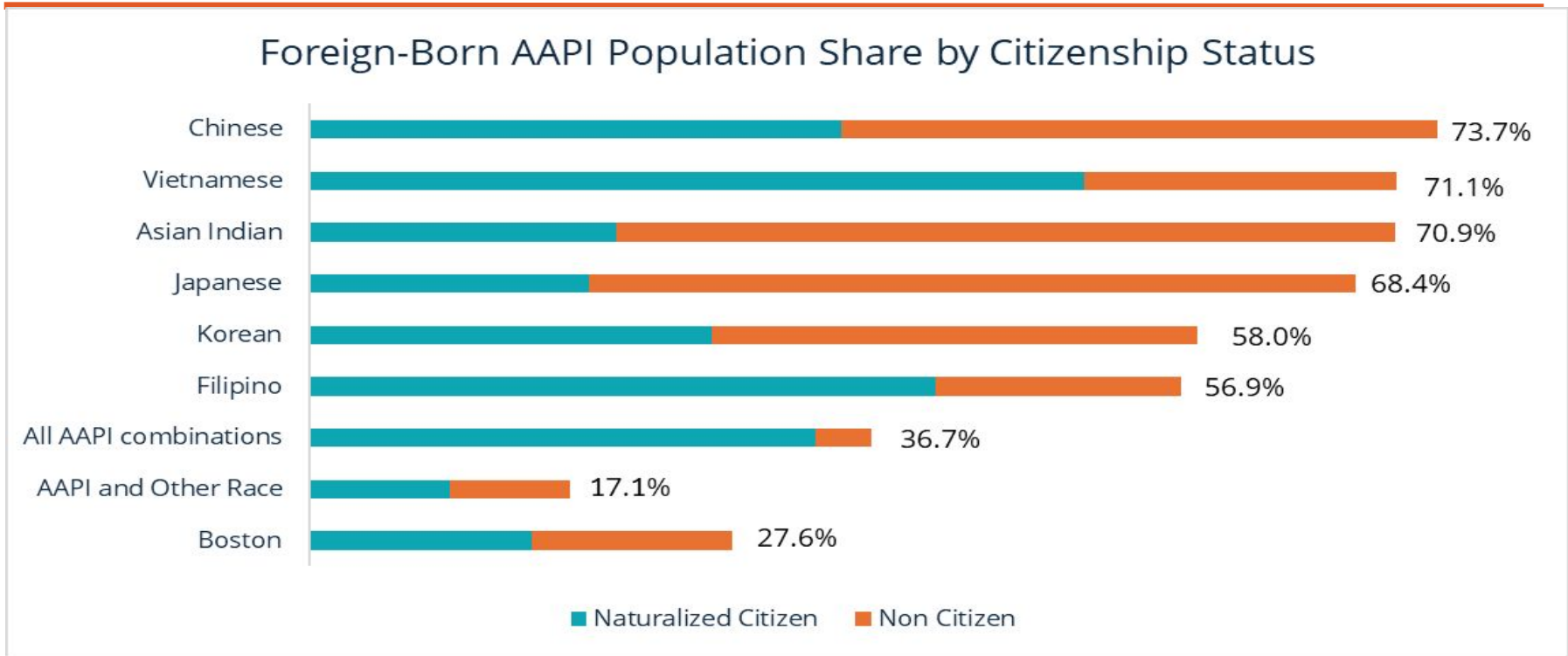
2020 Share of AAPI Population in Neighborhood

	Chinese	Asian Indian	Vietnamese	Korean
Allston	9.3%	9.8%	1.6%	10.3%
Brighton	13.9%	11.5%	2.5%	15.9%
Chinatown	8.1%	1.8%	0.7%	2.2%
Dorchester	4.2%	7.0%	79.1%	3.0%
Fenway	12.0%	15.7%	1.9%	21.6%
Mission Hill	5.6%	11.1%	1.3%	8.3%

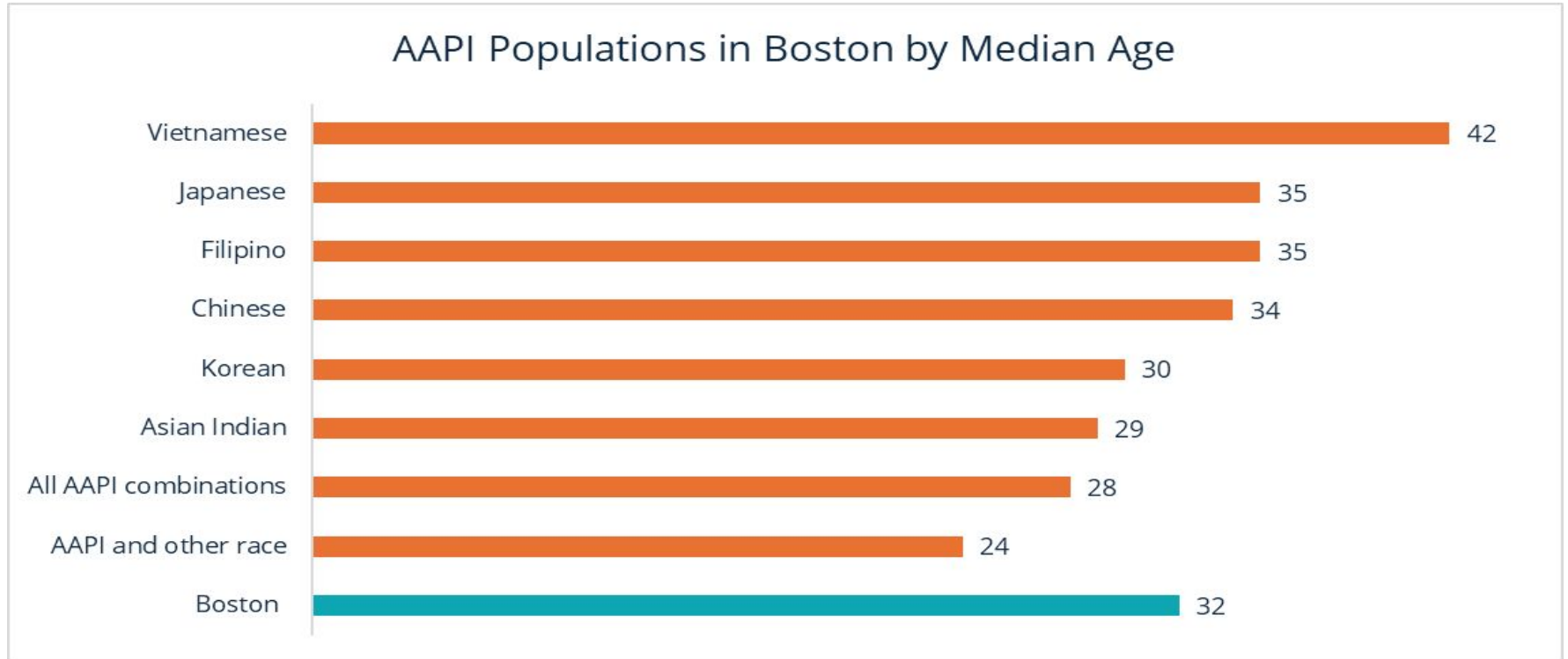
Asian Population in Boston, 1980



AAPI populations in Boston are more likely to be foreign born

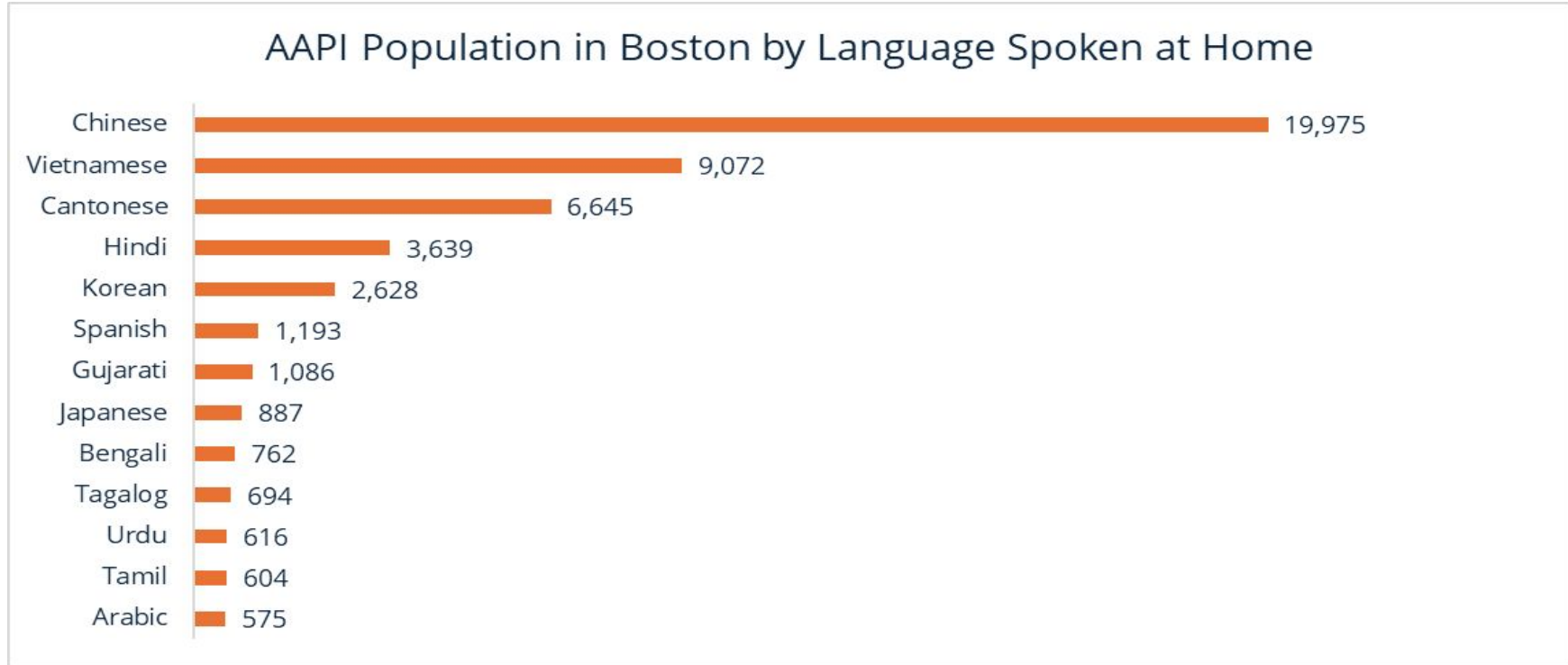


Vietnamese in Boston have the highest median age of the AAPI populations in Boston



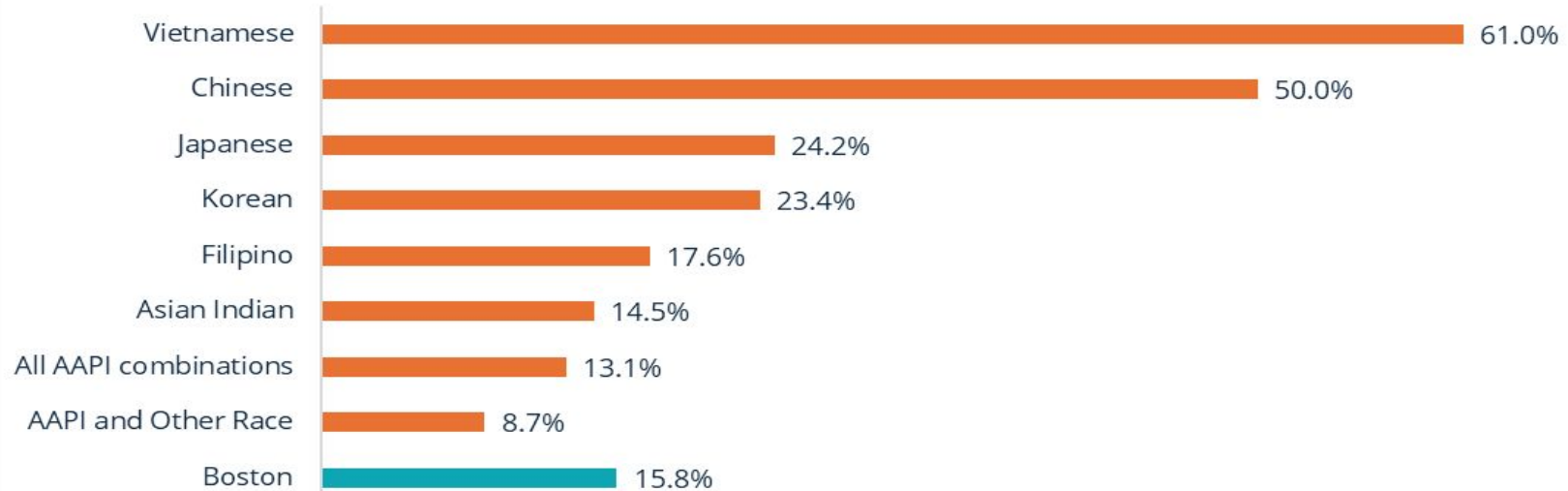
Source: 2018-2022 American Community Survey (PUMS), BPDA Research Division Analysis

Over 12,500 AAPI residents speak only English in the home, and Chinese and Vietnamese are the most common Asian languages spoken at home

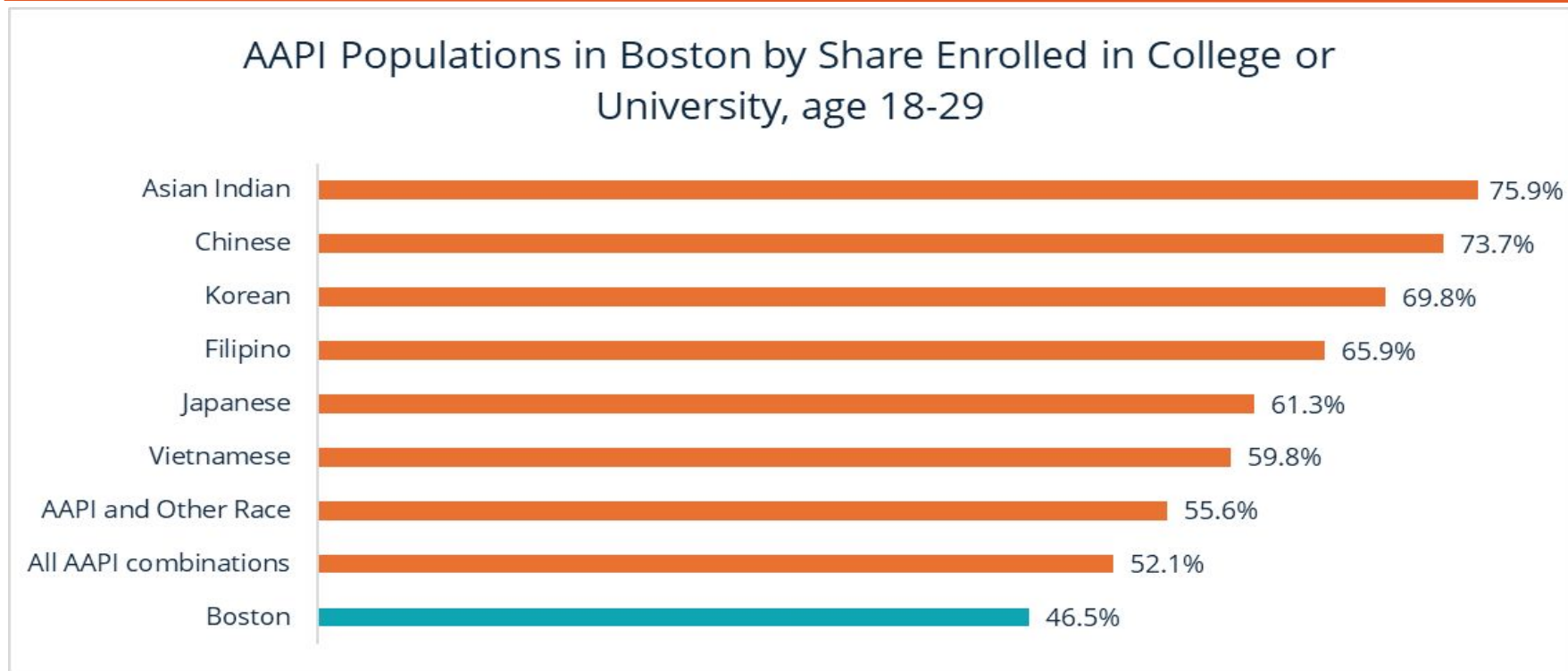


Vietnamese and Chinese residents are more likely to speak English less than very well

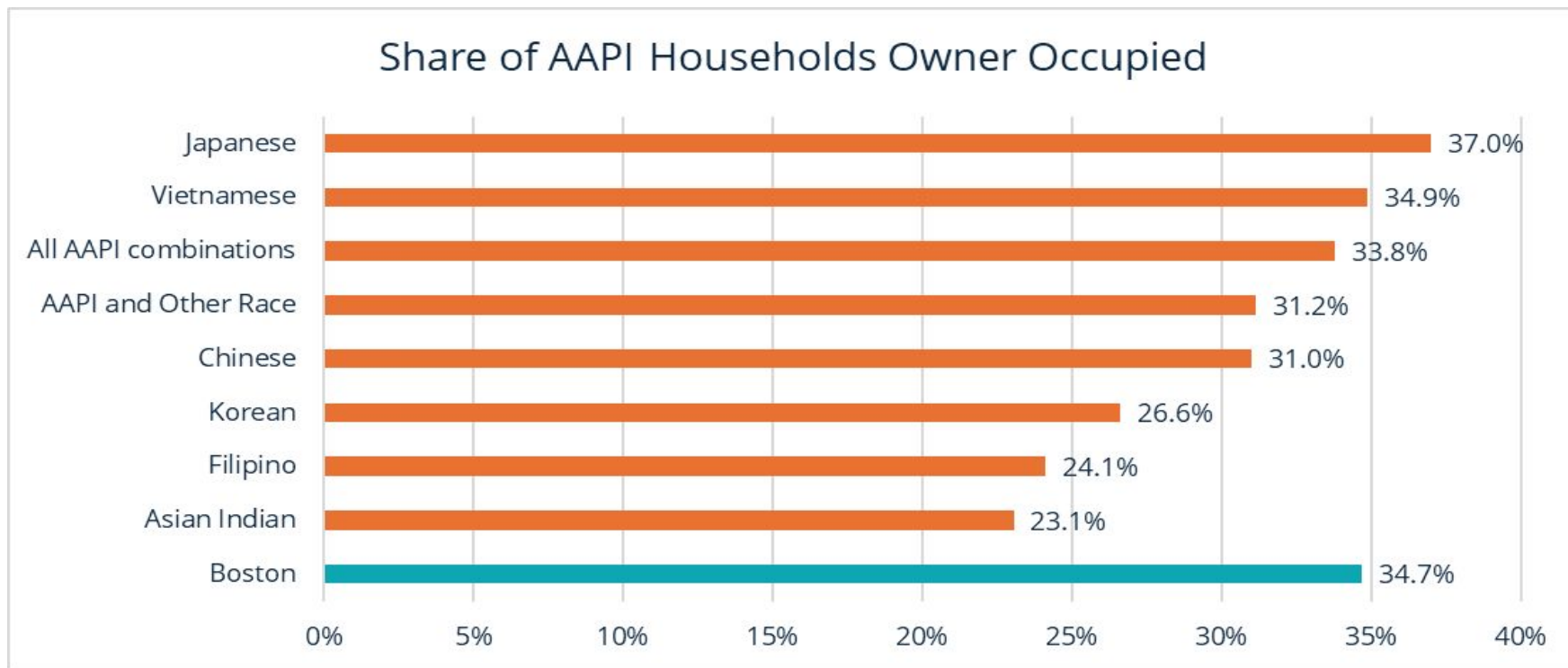
AAPI Population in Boston by Share with Limited English Proficiency, age 5+



Over 70% of Asian Indian and Chinese young adults are enrolled in college

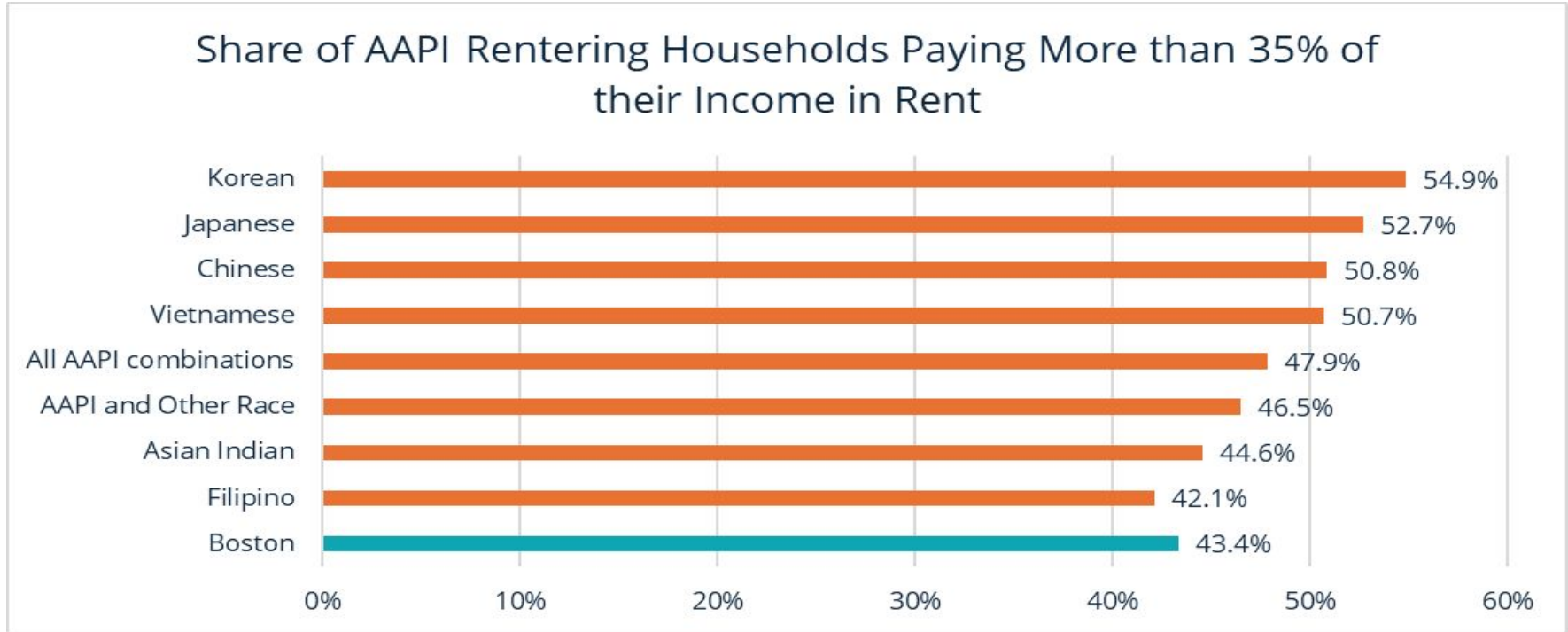


~30% of AAPI households in Boston are owner occupied



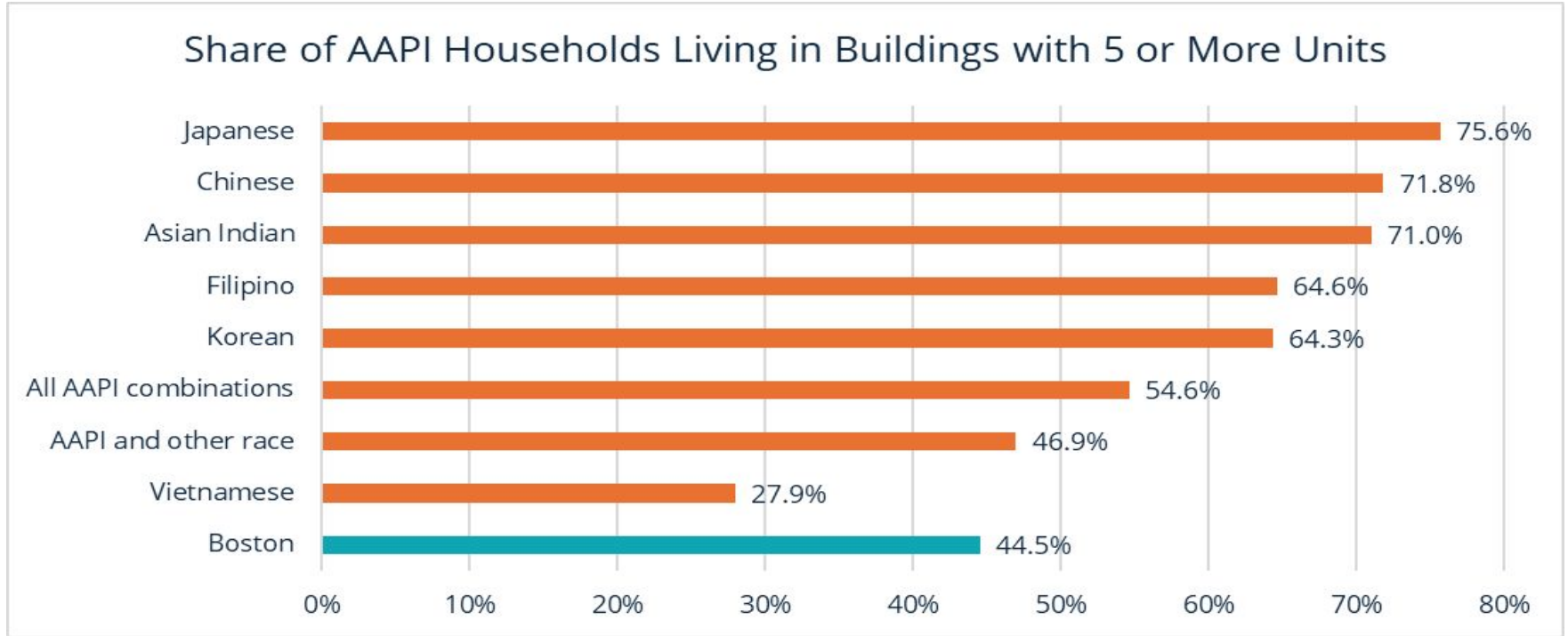
Source: 2018-2022 American Community Survey (PUMS), BPDA Research Division Analysis. Based on race of householder.

AAPI renting households are rent cost burdened



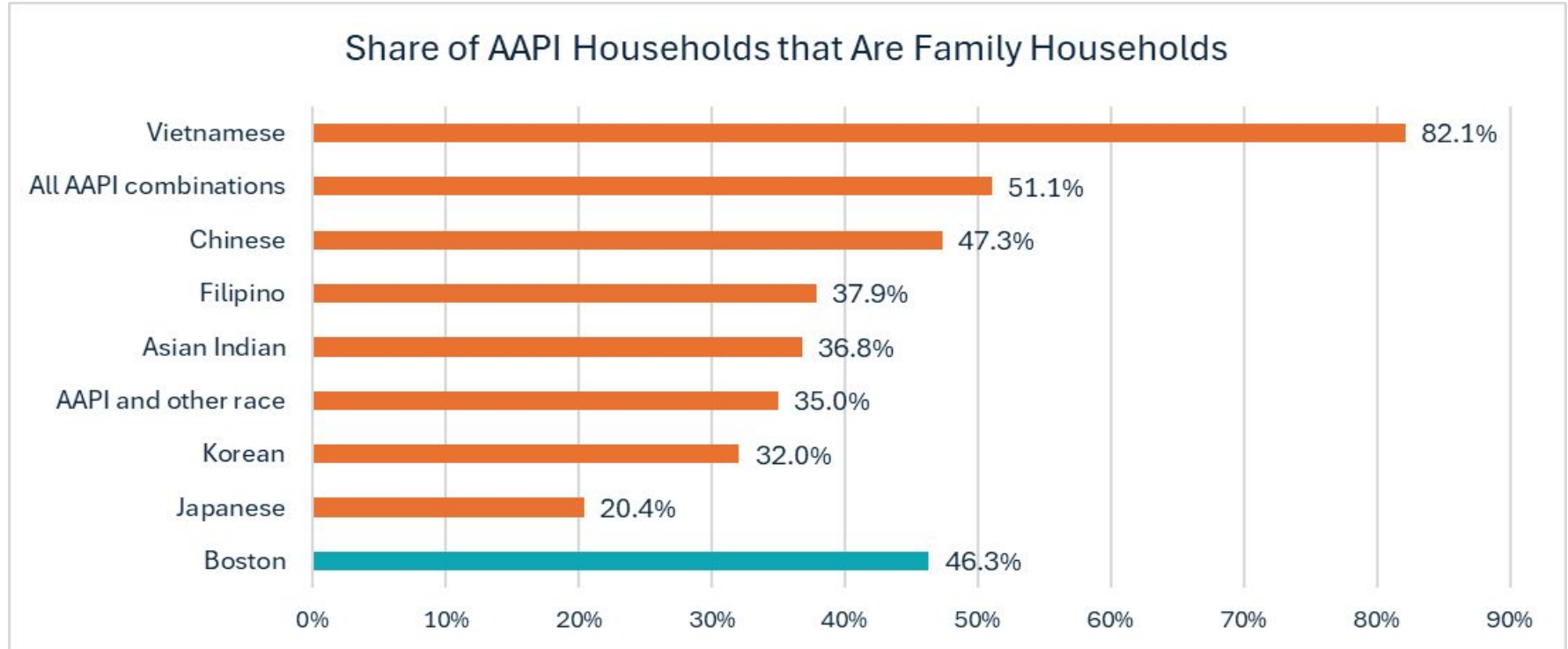
Source: 2018-2022 American Community Survey (PUMS), BPDA Research Division Analysis. Based on race of householder.

AAPI live in more densely populated parts of Boston



Source: 2018-2022 American Community Survey (PUMS), BPDA Research Division Analysis. Based on race of householder.

Vietnamese households are much more likely to be family households than other AAPI groups



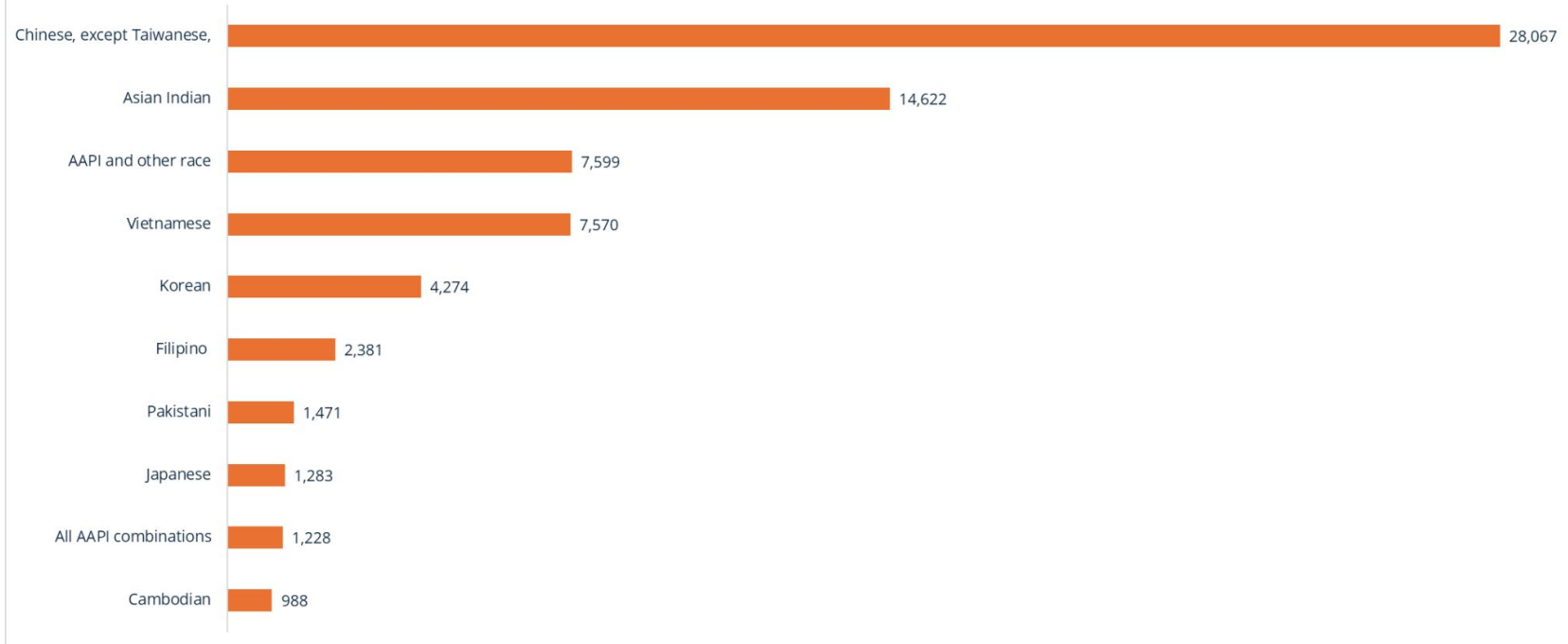
Source: 2018-2022 American Community Survey (PUMS), BPDA Research Division Analysis. Based on race of householder.

Celebrating AAPI Heritage Month

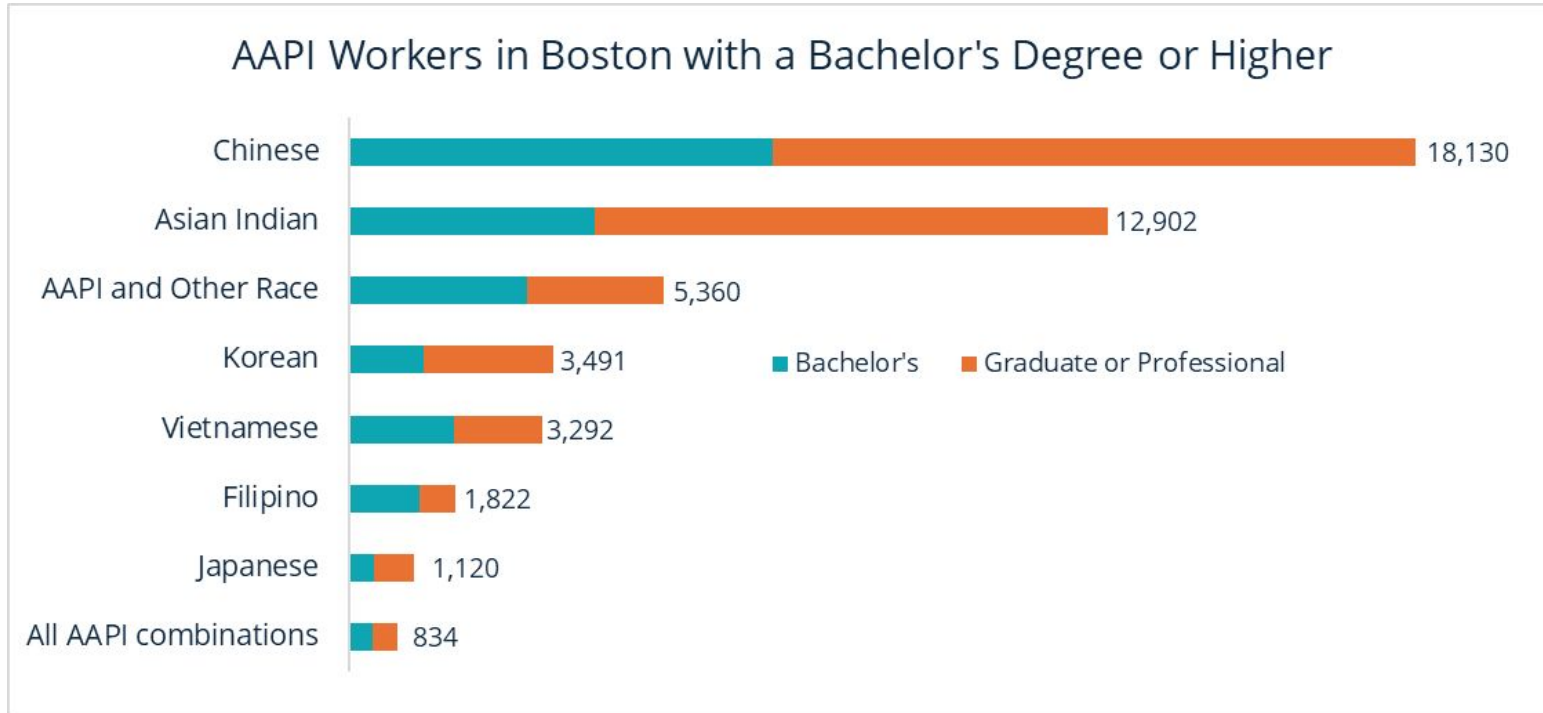
- 1 Boston's AAPI population compared to Massachusetts and the country
- 2 AAPI residents in Boston
- 3 AAPI workers in Boston

Chinese, Asian Indians, and Vietnamese are the three largest AAPI populations in Boston's labor force

Top 10 AAPI Populations in Boston's Labor Force



~70% of AAPI workers in Boston have Bachelor's, graduate, or professional degrees

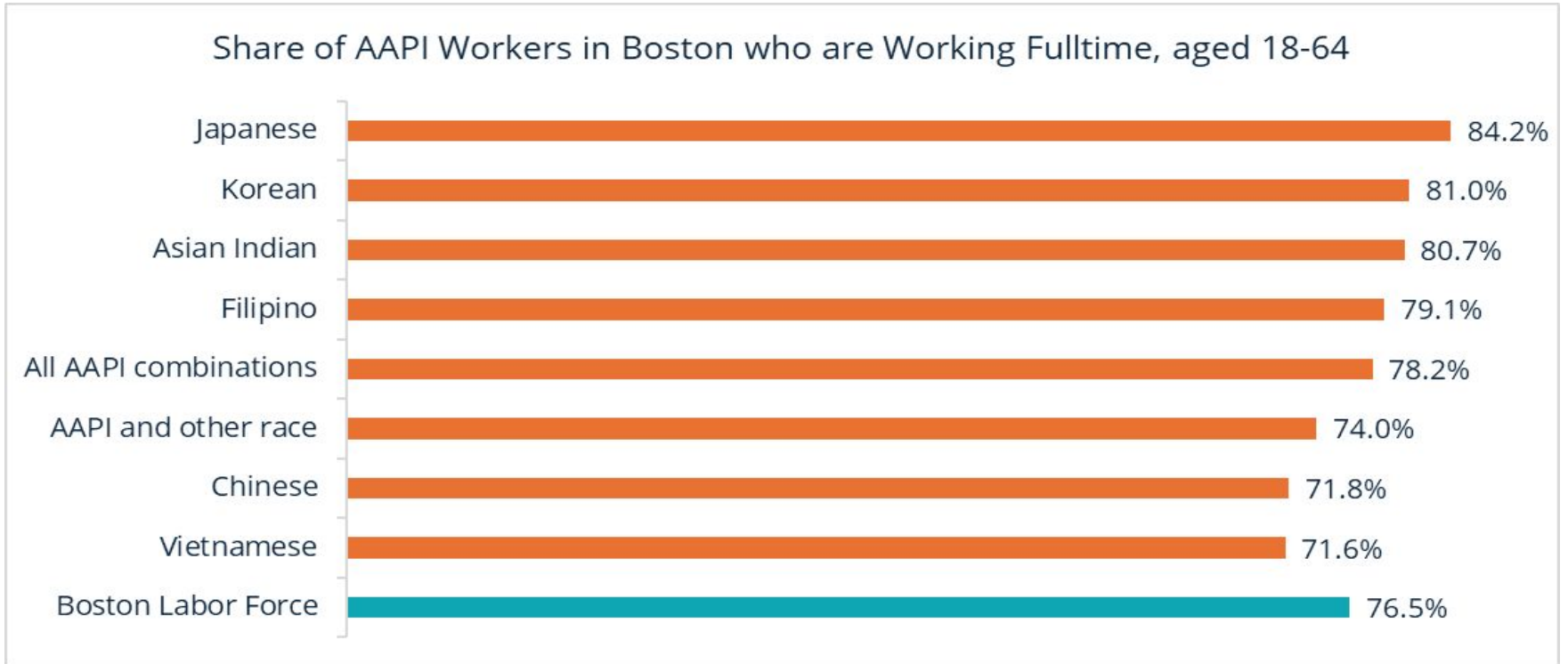


~75,000 AAPI workers work in Boston, overrepresented in computer engineering, healthcare, education and food service

AAPI Share of Workers by Occupations in Boston



Most AAPI workers working in Boston work full time



Asian Indian, Korean, and Japanese full time workers in Boston earn more than Boston's median personal earnings



Source: 2018-2022 American Community Survey (PUMS), BPDA Research Division Analysis

Over 20% of AAPI businesses are restaurants or in construction

AAPI Business Owners in Boston by Business Industry

