Co-Reporting of Intimate Partner Violence & Child Maltreatment: The Likelihood of Investigation Outcomes

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Background

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- 25% of U.S. women and 10% of U.S. men report IPV-related impact
- Estimated 8-15 million children exposed to IPV annually
- CPS is a frequent intervention
- In California, IPV/domestic violence is captured in “emotional abuse”

Research Questions

1. Are there differences in hotline screening decisions?
2. Are there differences in screened-in reports by presence of an IPV allegation?
3. What is the frequency IPV is co-reported with physical abuse and neglect allegations?
4. What is the likelihood of investigation outcomes with and without IPV allegations?

Data Source

- All CA CPS reports 2010-2014,
- with a child < 5,
- no previous placements

- Binary field “domestic violence” within SDM Hotline assessment tool

- 369,766 unique report-child dyads
- 305,867 screened in for investigation

Results

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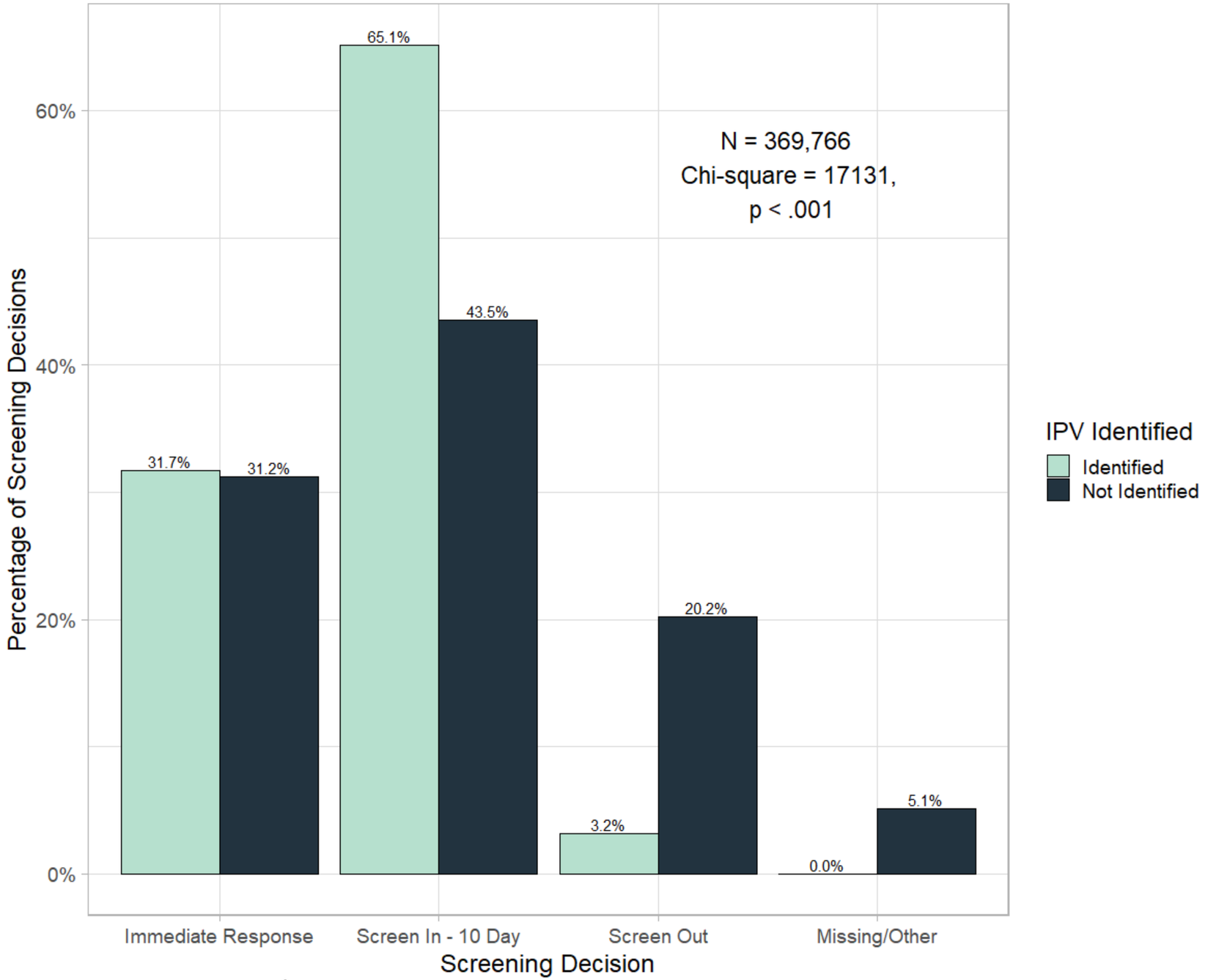

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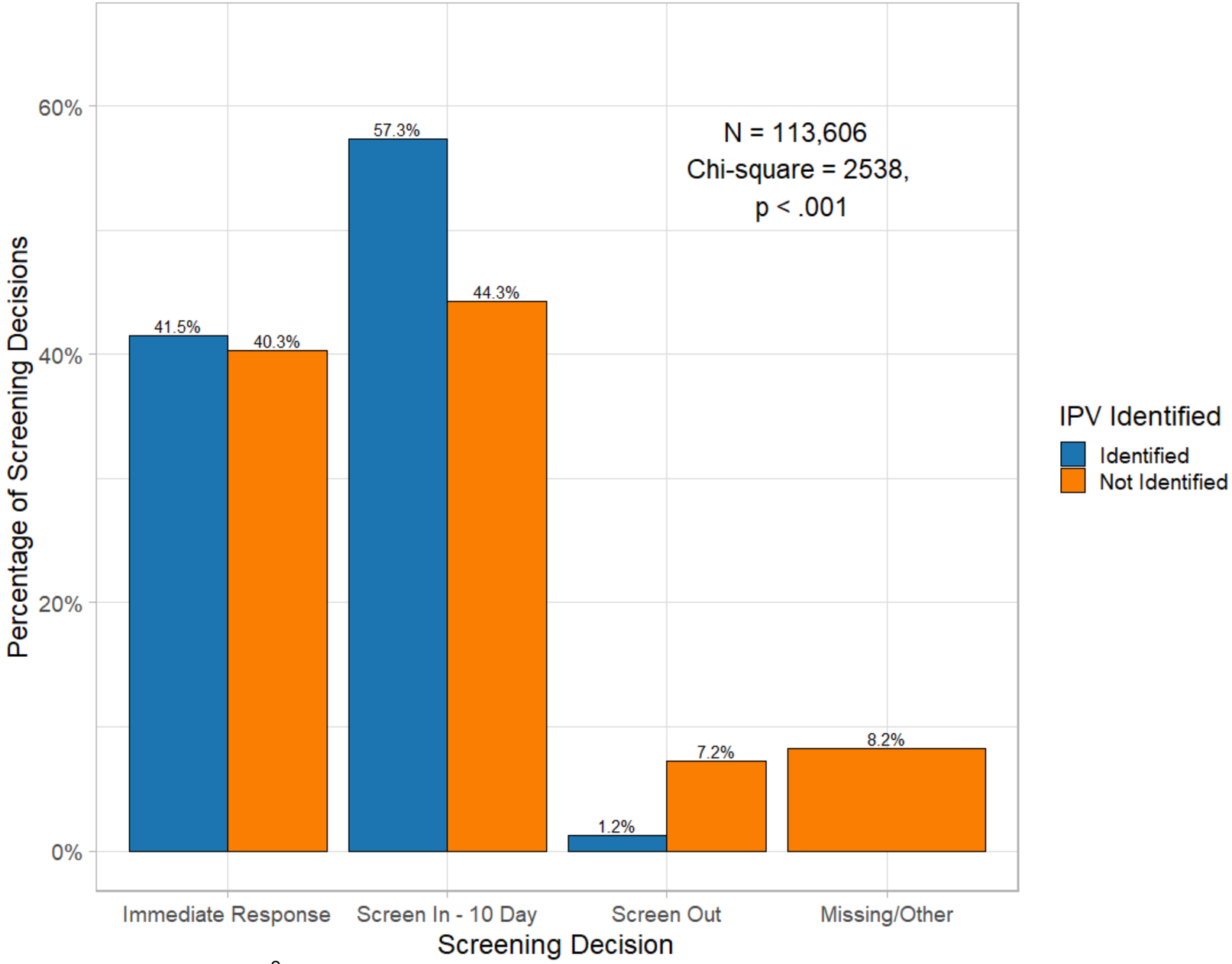

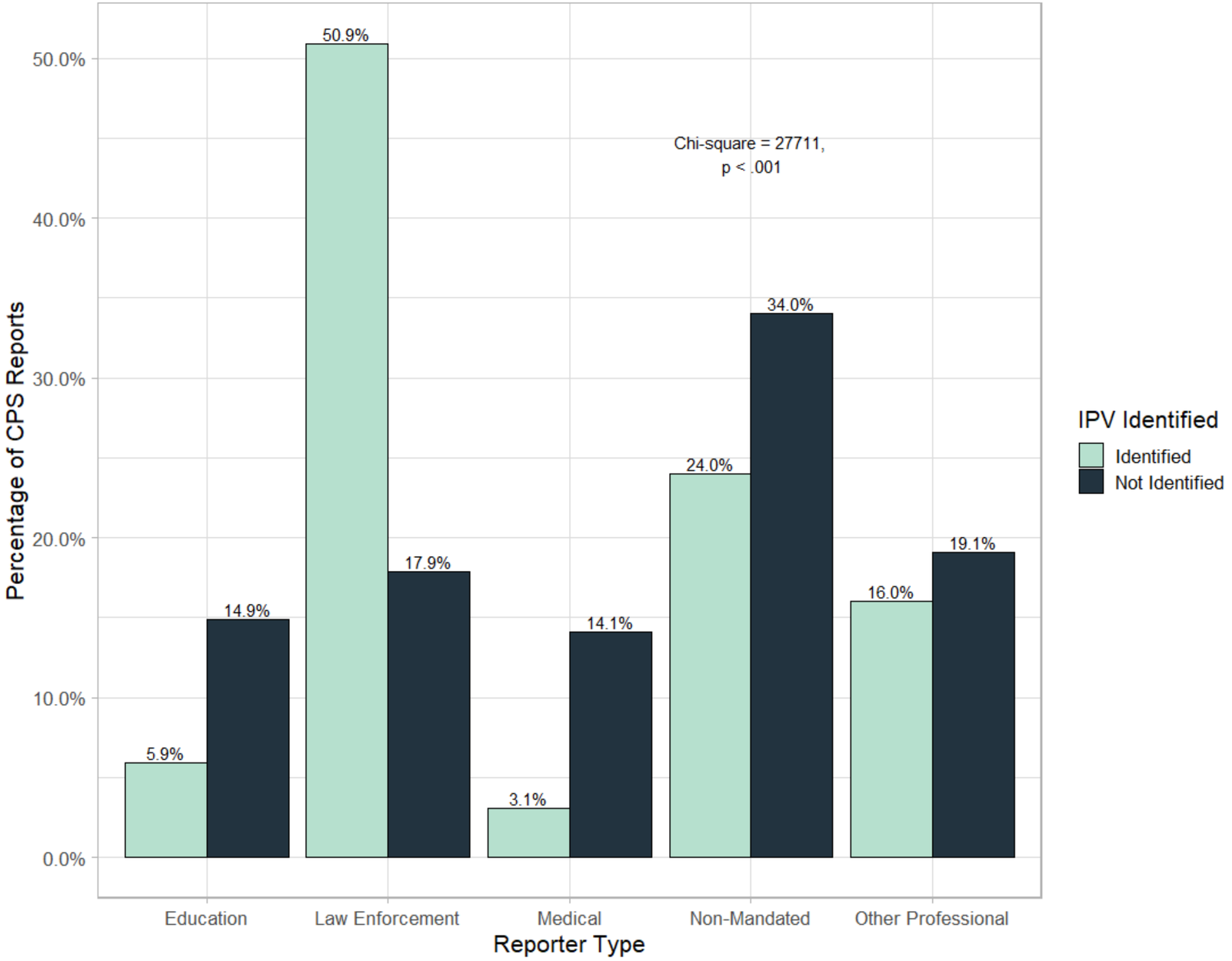

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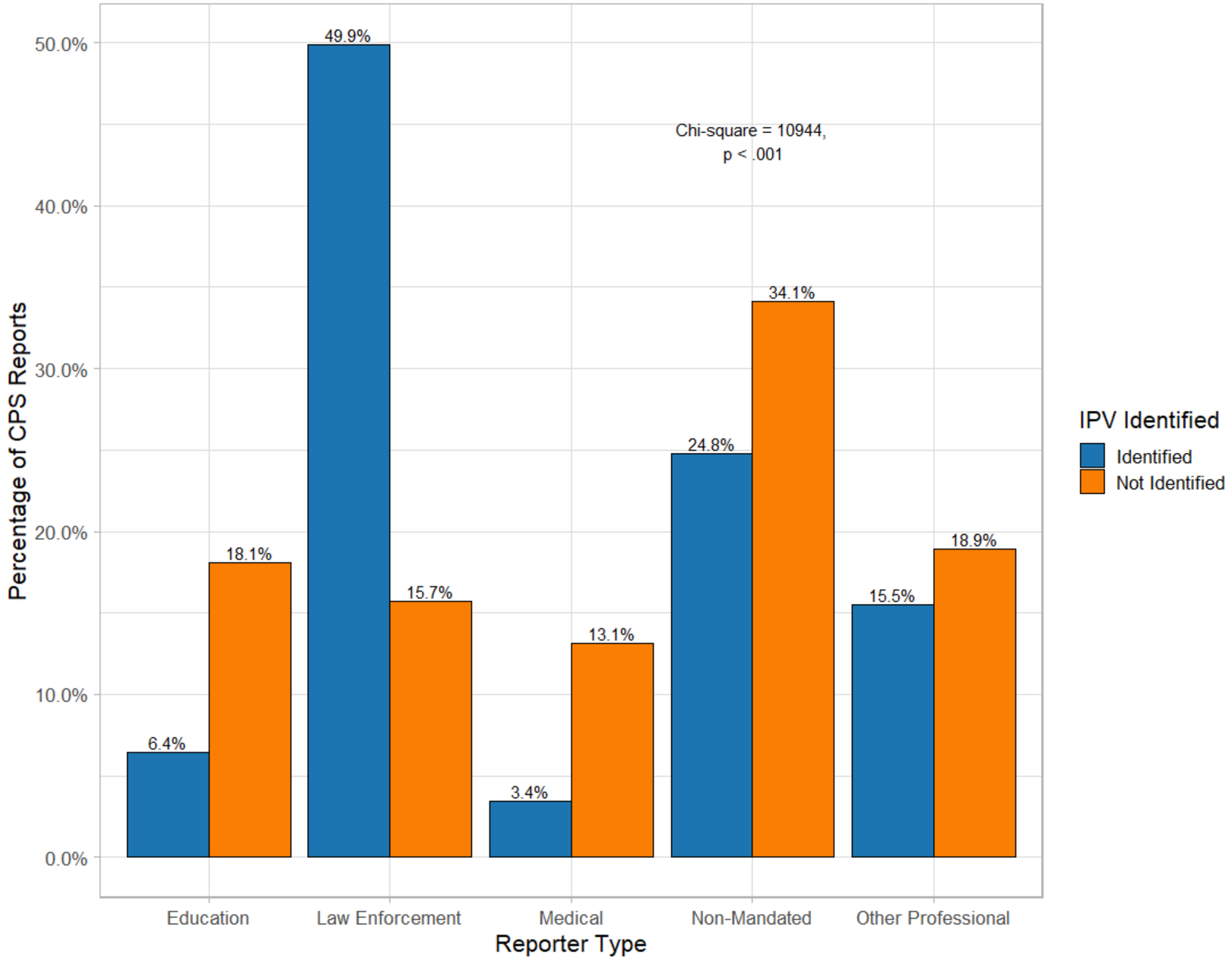

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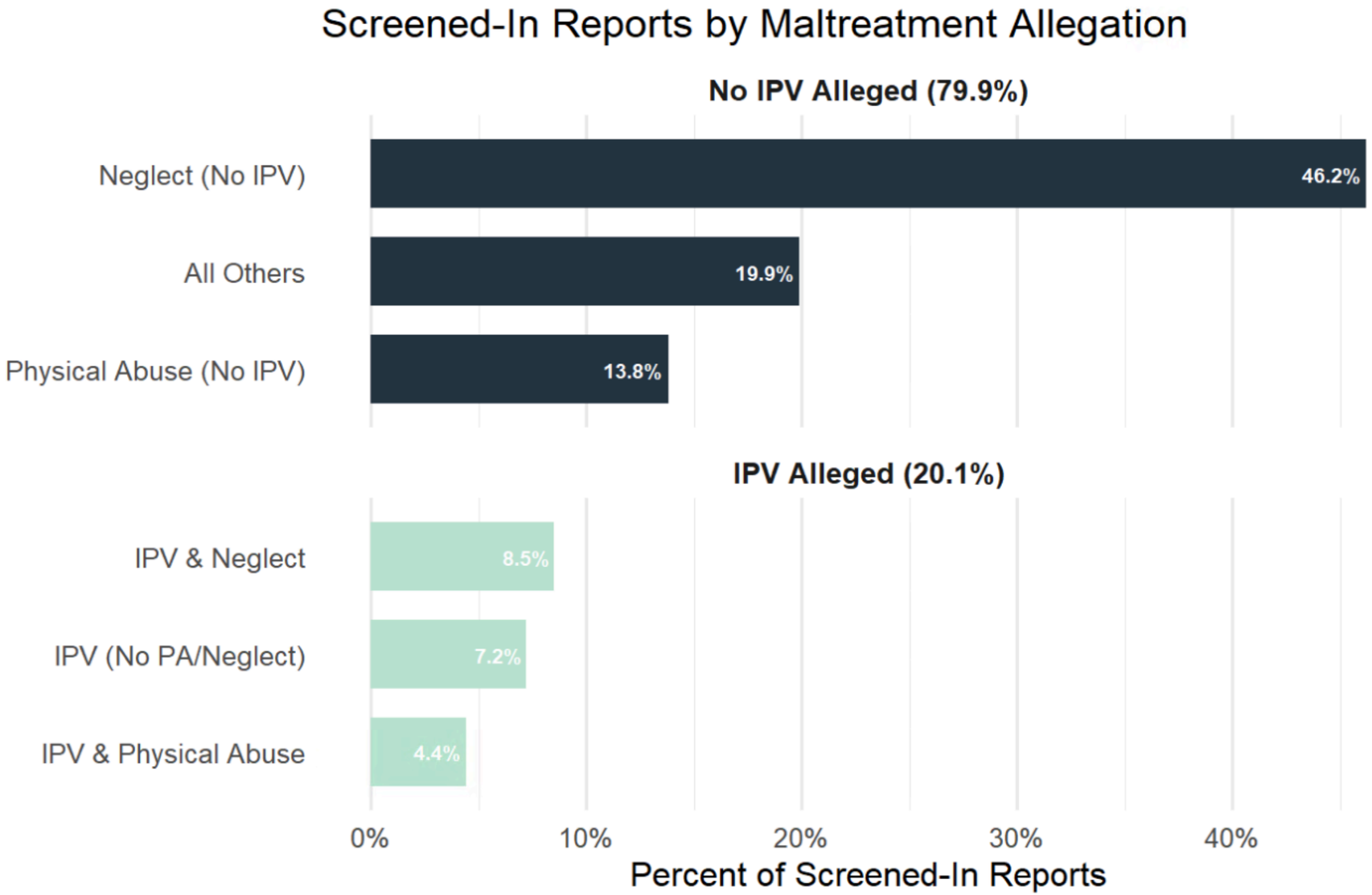

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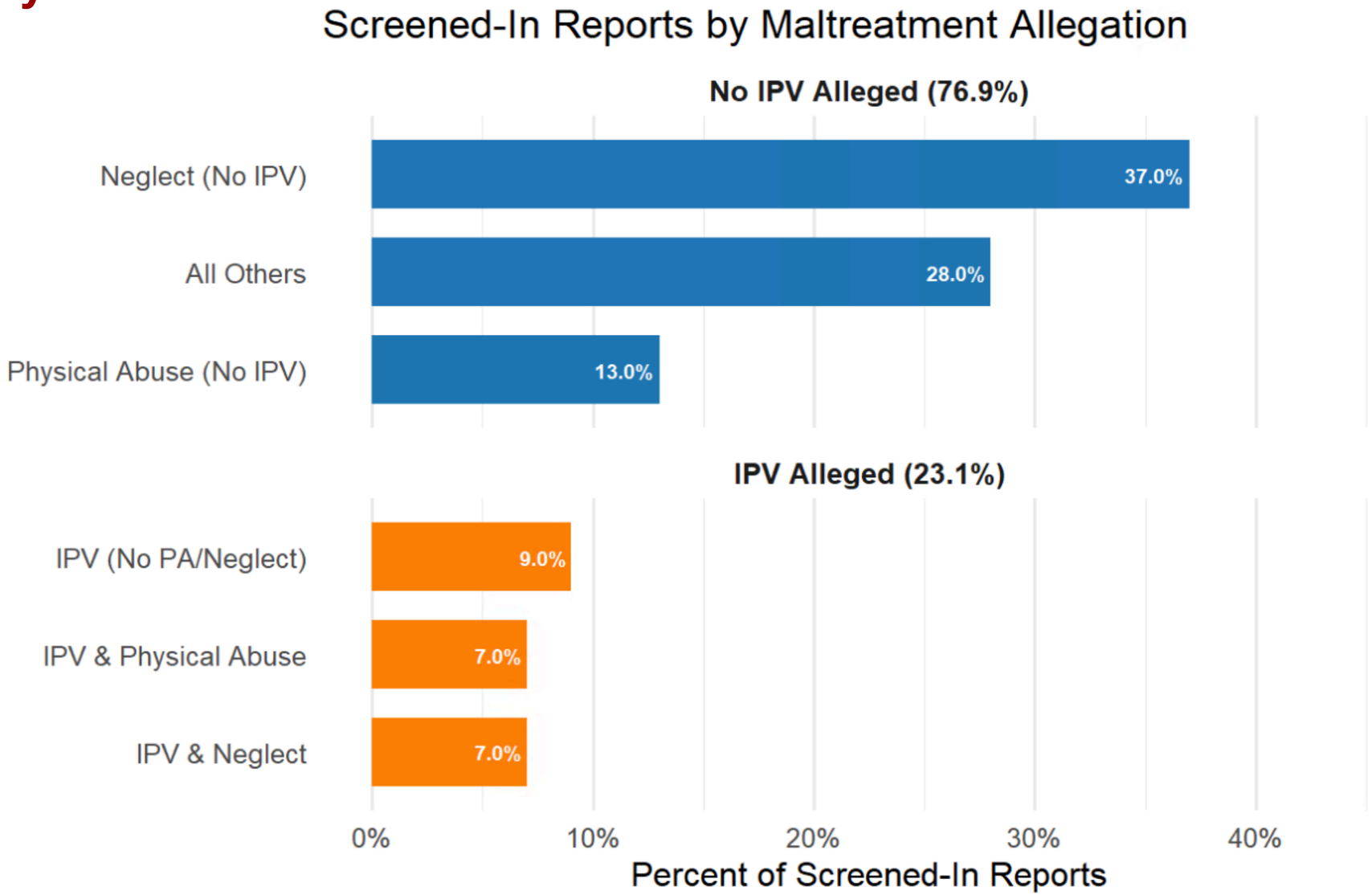
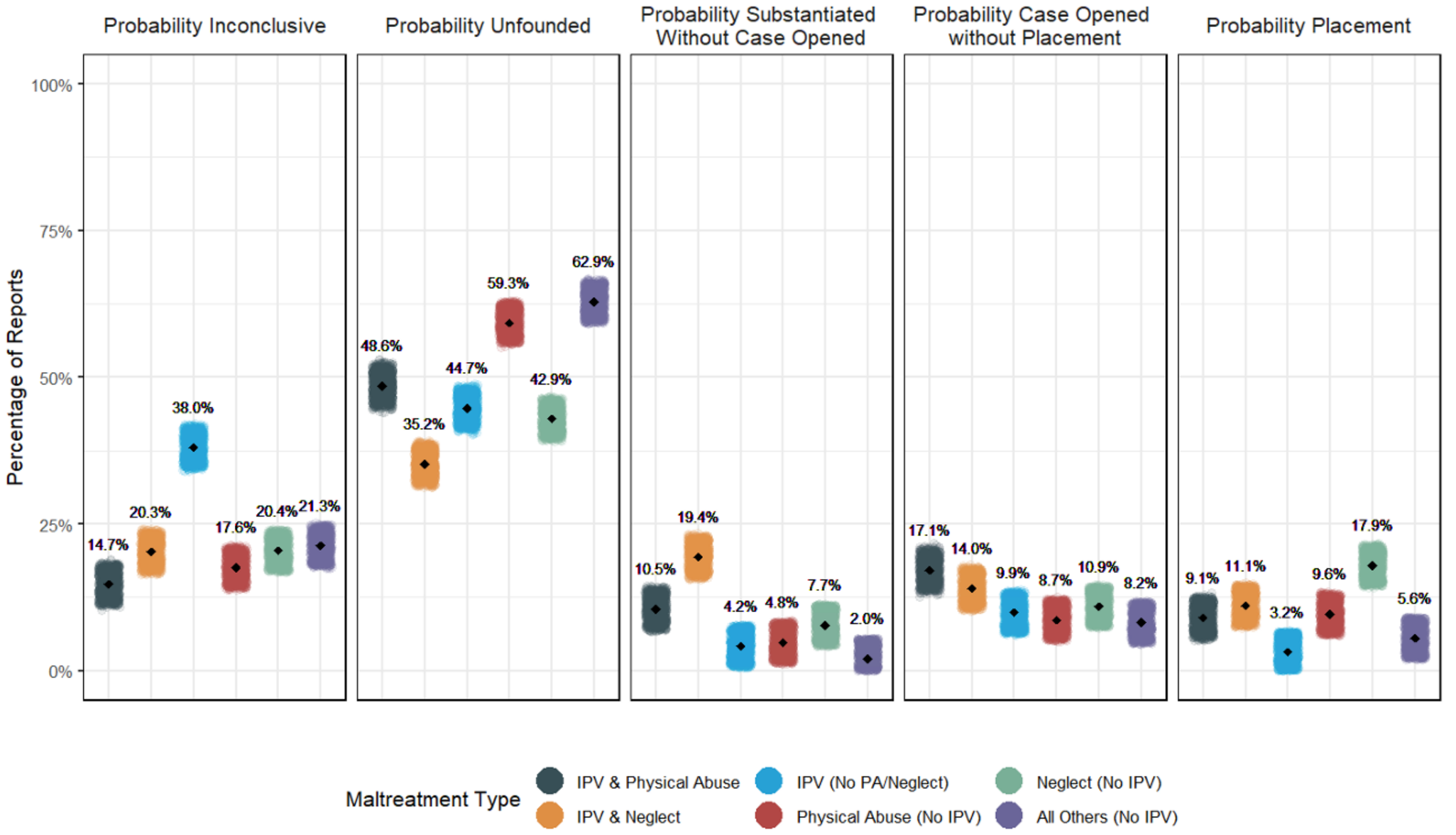


Q4:

What is the likelihood of investigation outcomes with and without IPV allegations of screened in CPS reports?

Simulated Results of Multinomial Logistic Regression Models


Probability Inconclusive
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Percentage of Reports
100%
75%
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14.7%
20.3%
38.0%
17.6%
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8.7%
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Maltreatment Type
IPV & Physical Abuse
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IPV (No PA/Neglect)
Physical Abuse (No IPV)
Neglect (No IPV)
All Others (No IPV)

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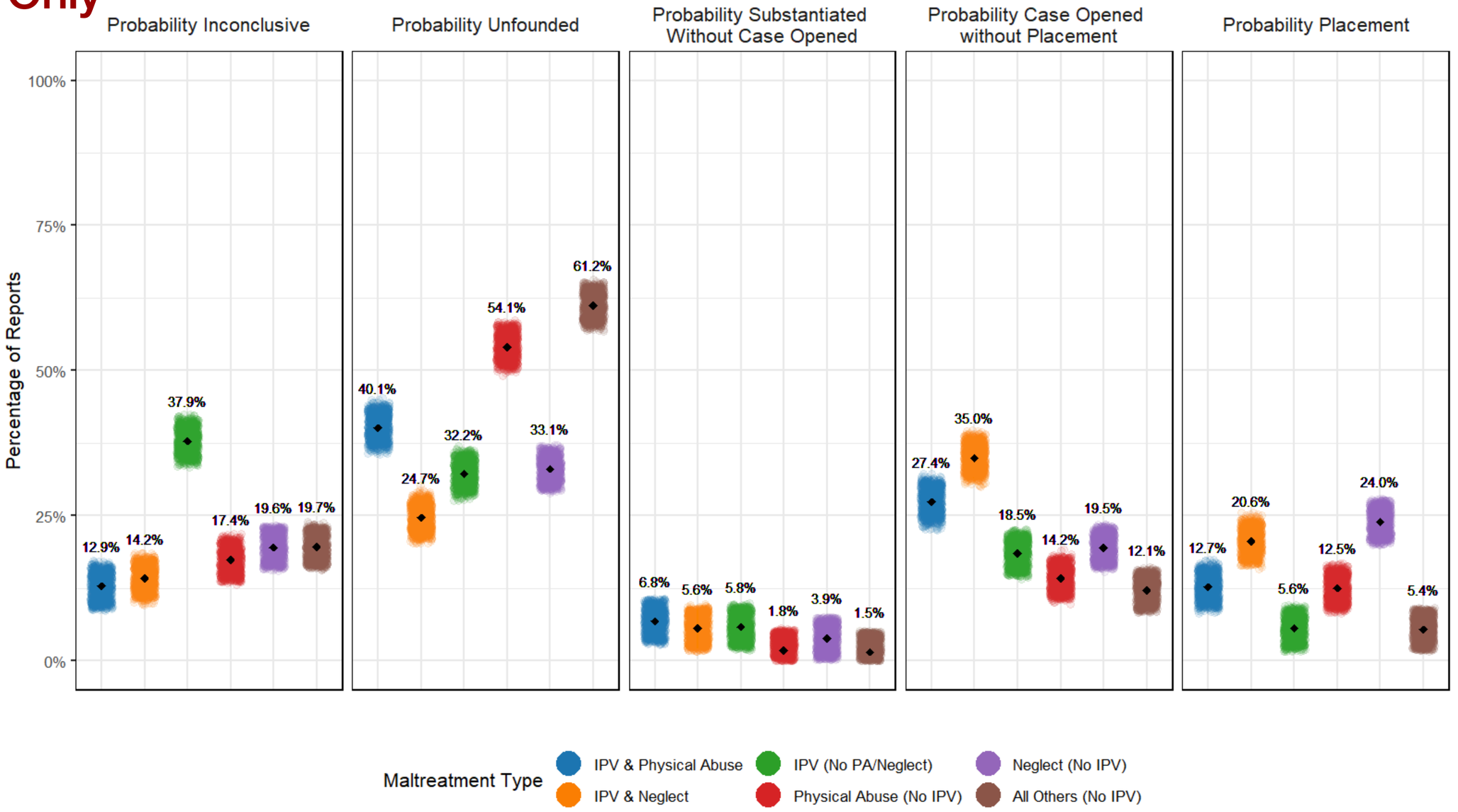

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- 20.7% of reports with a child under 5 included IPV allegation
  - Higher, likely due to hierarchical allegation coding approaches
- Half of reports (50.3%) came from LE, highlighting inter-agency collaborations
- Out-of-home placement not a frequent outcome
  - Services likely being offered outside of CPS

Thank you!
Questions?

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