



# Highlighting Factors Contributing to Women's Health Inequities

## *Findings from the Health Indicators for Women in Los Angeles County Report*

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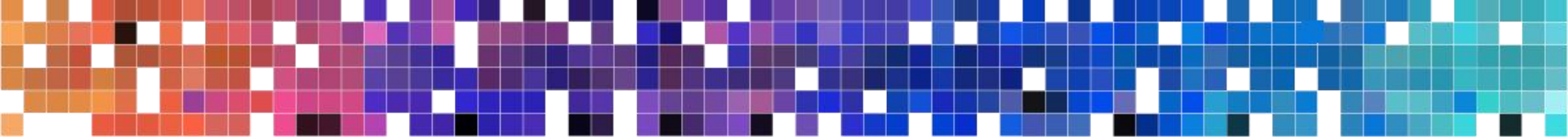
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# Health Care Coverage & Access

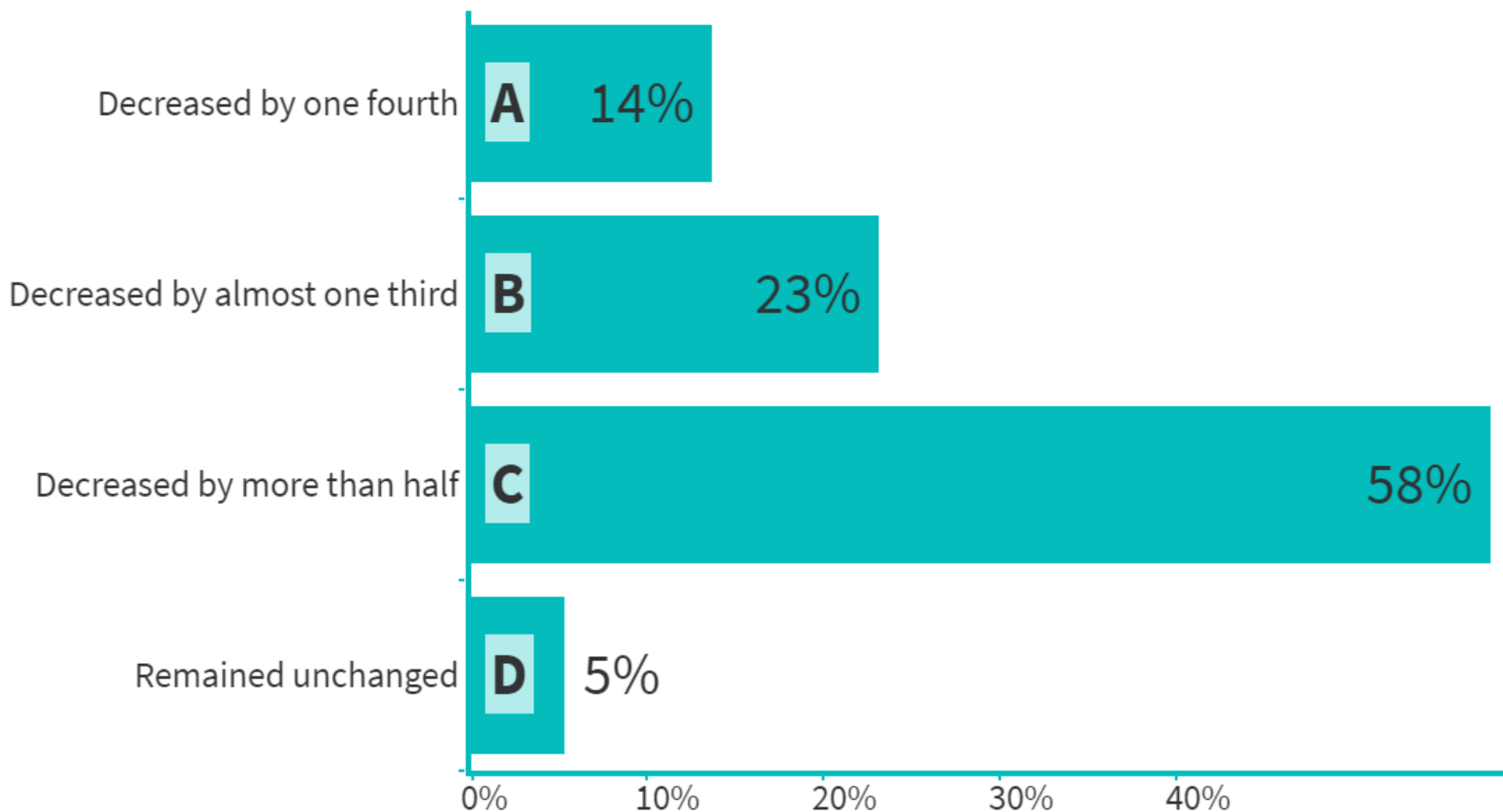
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## From 2011 to 2015, the percent of uninsured women in LA County has:

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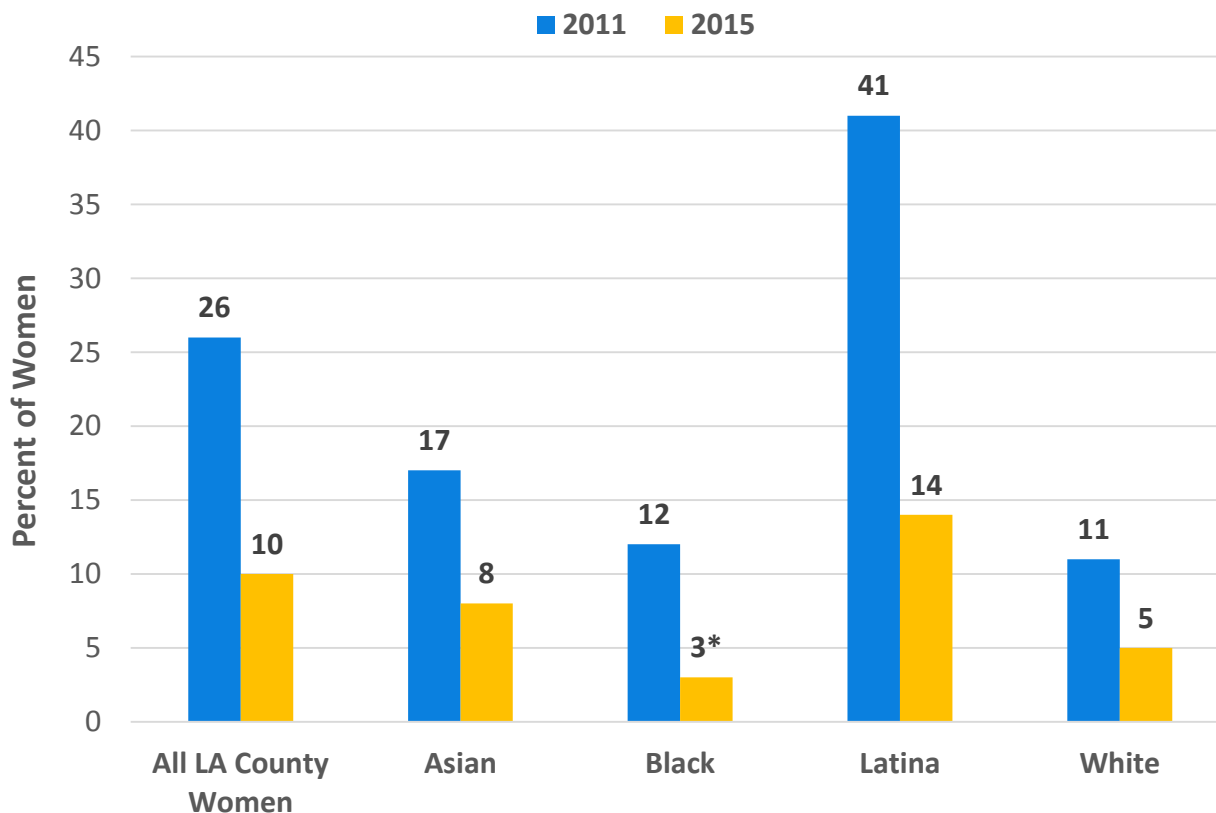
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Answer: (C)

The rate of uninsured LA County women **decreased by more than half**, from 26% in 2011 to 10% in 2015.

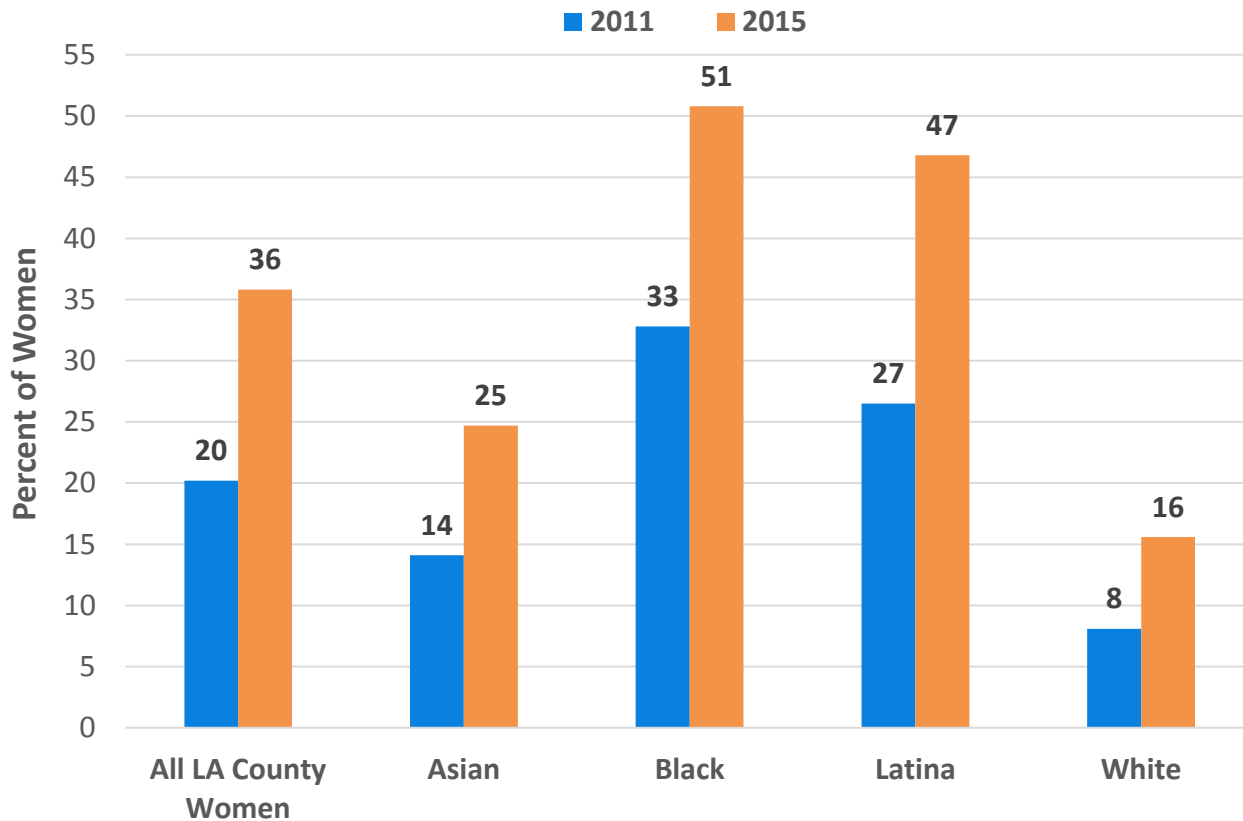
# Change in Percent of Uninsured Women (18-64 years) in Los Angeles County by Race/Ethnicity from 2011 to 2015



- Percent of uninsured women **decreased by more than half** from 26% in 2011 to 10% in 2015.
- Largest decrease was among **Latinas**. (41% to 14%)

\* Estimate is statistically unstable

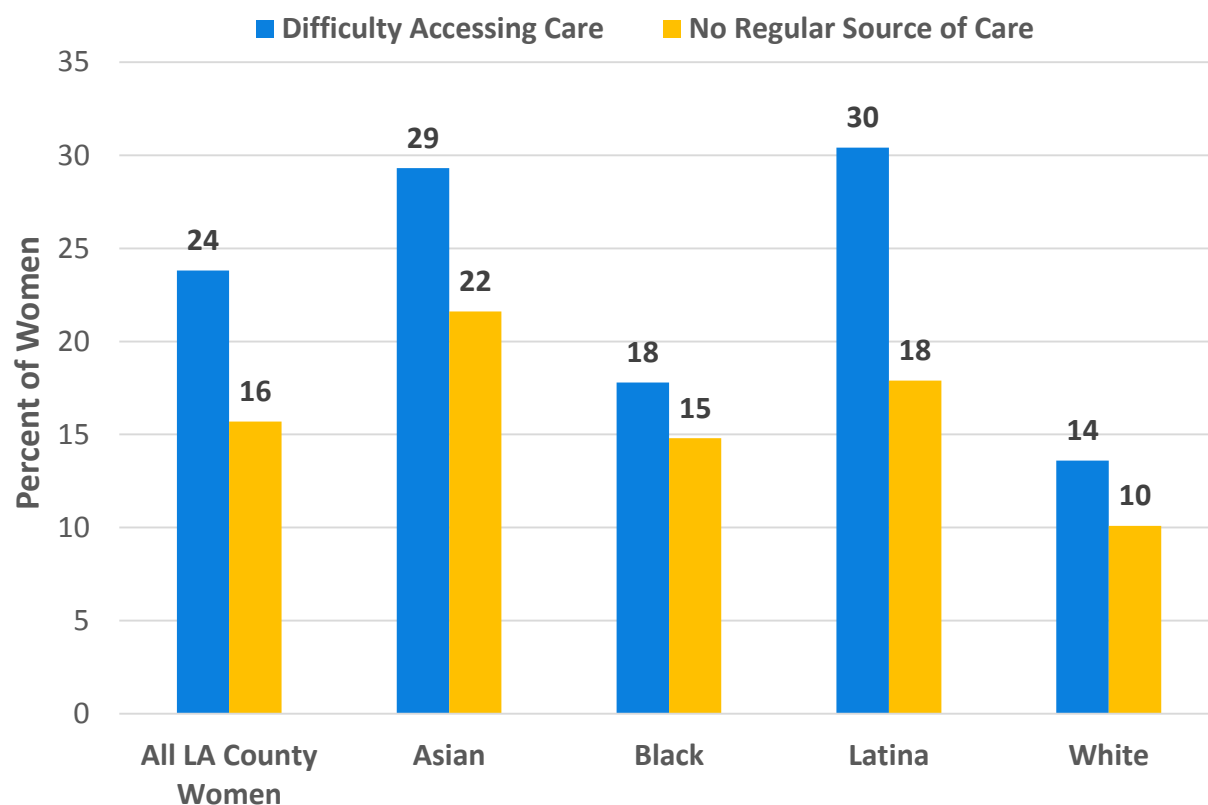
# Change in Percent of Women (18-64 years) Covered by Medi-Cal in Los Angeles County by Race/Ethnicity from 2011 to 2015

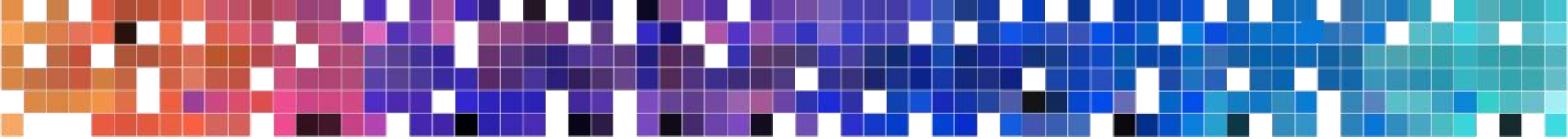


- Percent of women covered by Medi-Cal **increased** from 20% in 2011 to 36% in 2015.
- Largest increase was among **Latinas** (27% to 47%) and **black women** (33% to 51%).

## Percent of Women who report Difficulty Accessing Care and No Regular Source of Care in Los Angeles County by Race/Ethnicity, 2015

- Percent of women with difficulty accessing care **decreased** from 31% in 2011 to 24% in 2015.
- Percent of women with no regular source of care **only decreased** from 17% in 2011 to 16% in 2015.





# Economic Security & Well-Being

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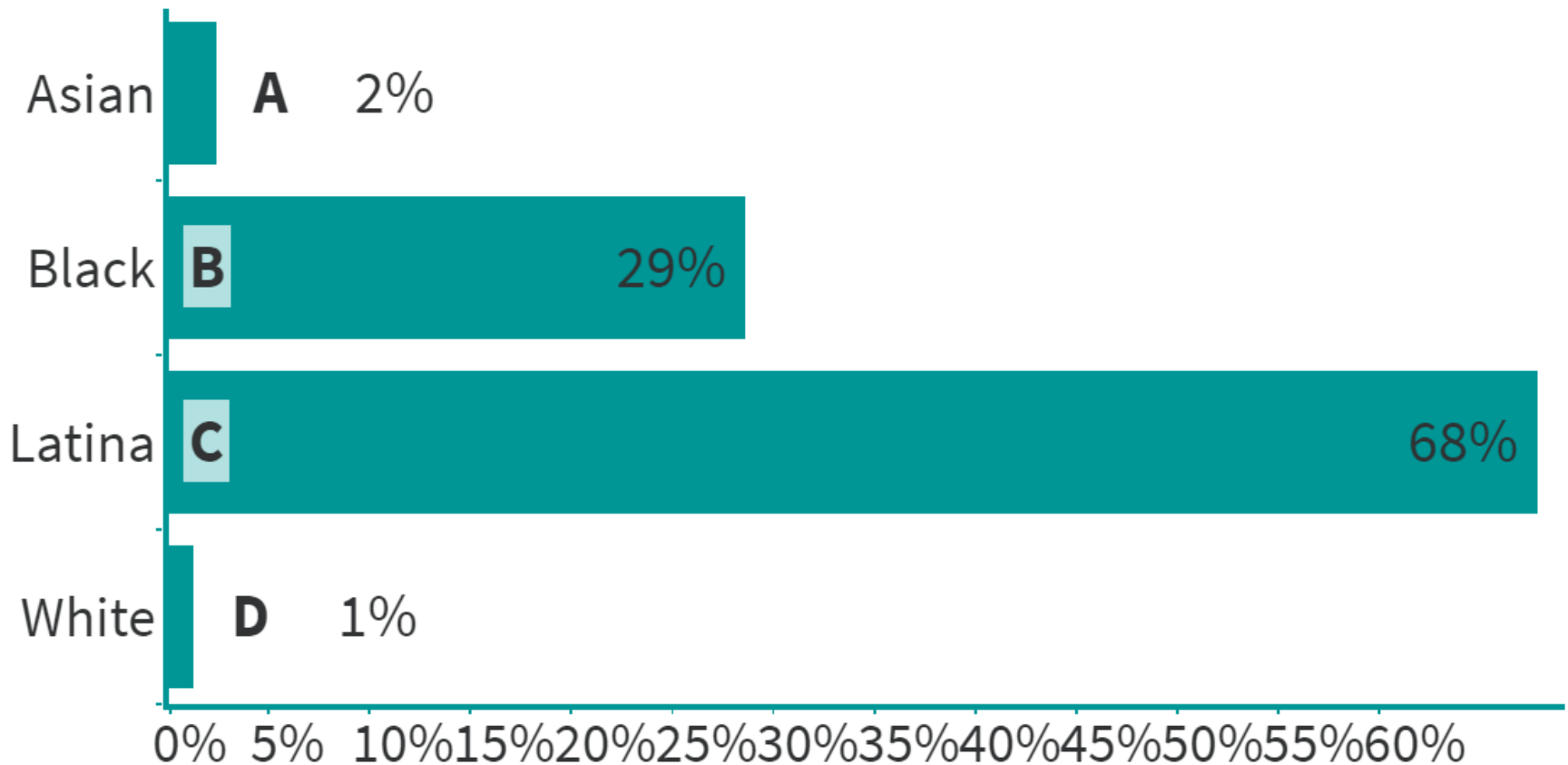




## Which race/ethnicity has the highest percent of women who live below 200% of the Federal Poverty Level (FPL)?

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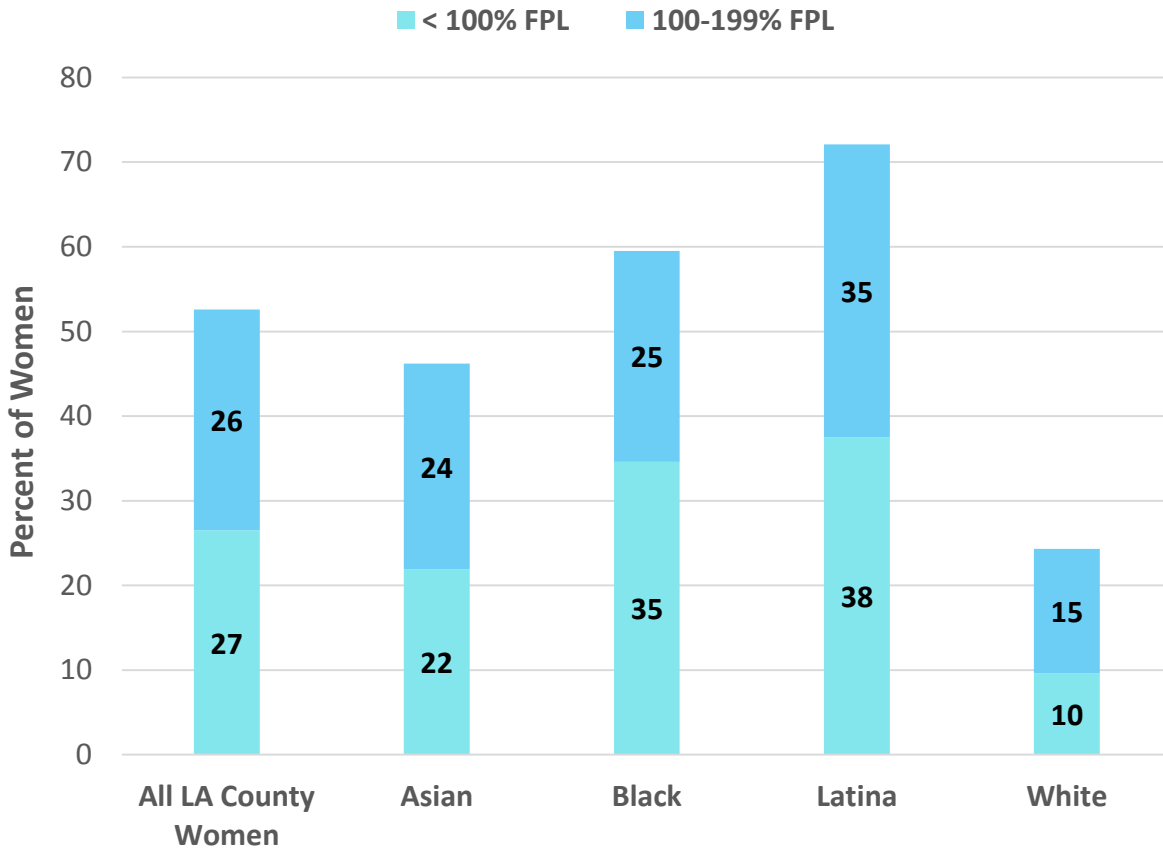
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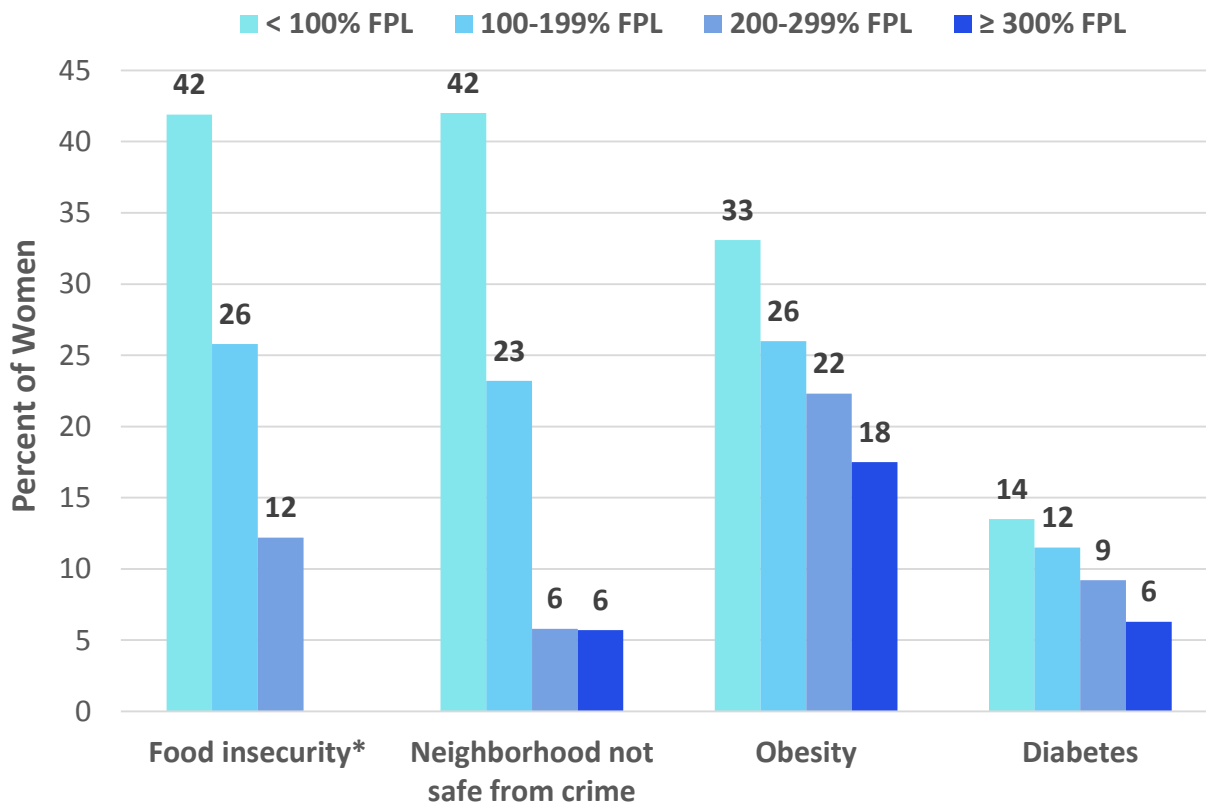
72% of **Latinas** live below 200% of the Federal Poverty Level.

# Percent of Women Who Live Below 200% of the Federal Poverty Level in Los Angeles County by Race/Ethnicity, 2015



- **1 in 4 women** live in poverty (< 100% FPL) and **over half of women** live at < 200% FPL.
- Over 70% of **Latinas** and 60% of **black women** live at < 200% FPL.

# Determinants of Health and Health Outcomes for Women in Los Angeles County by Federal Poverty Level (FPL), 2015



- Poverty is linked to **higher food insecurity** and women reporting **living in unsafe neighborhoods**.
- Low-income women have **higher prevalence of obesity and diabetes** than women living at higher incomes.

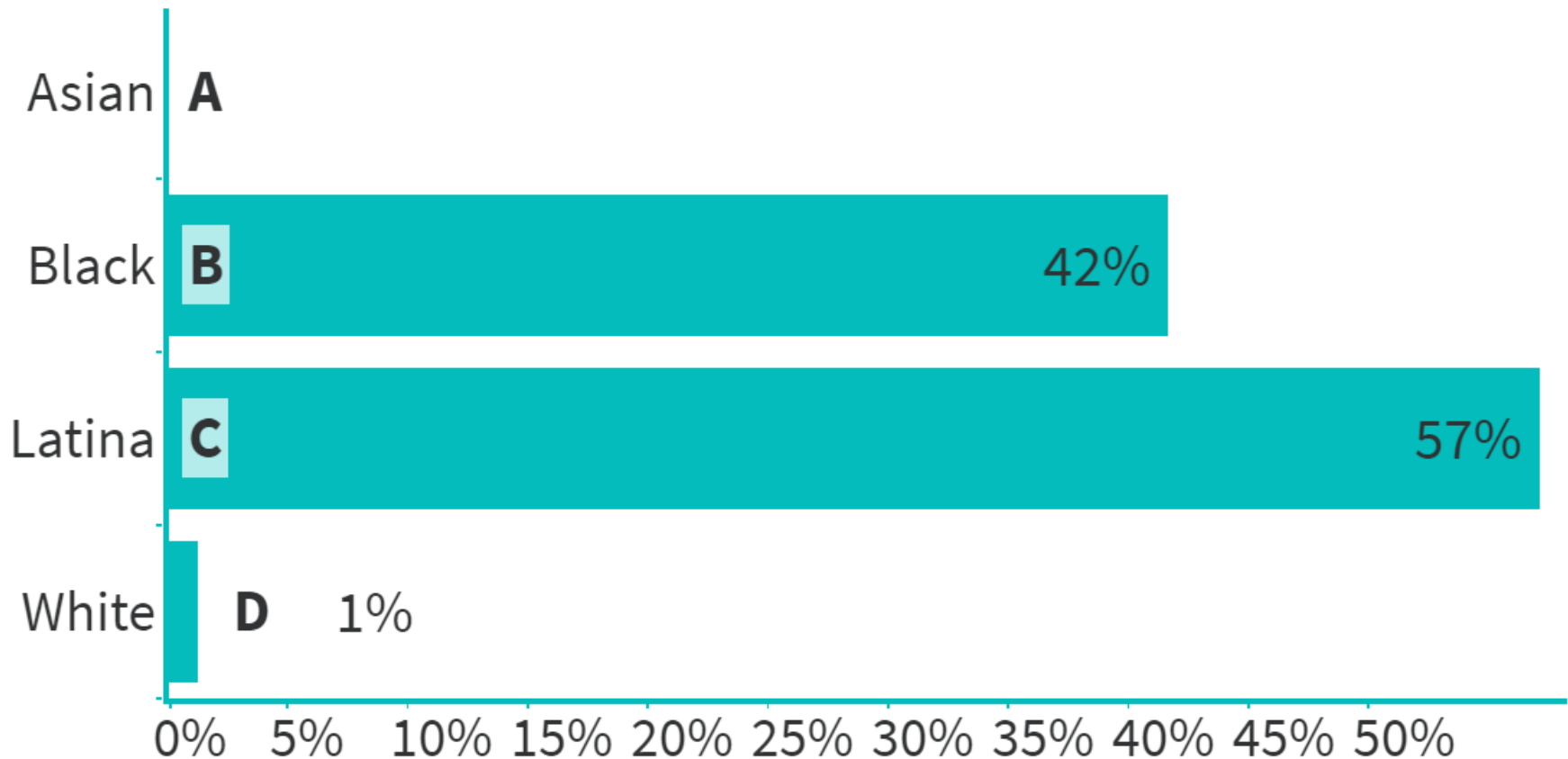
\* Food insecurity reported for adults with household incomes < 300% FPL only



## Women from which race/ethnicity have the lowest median annual earnings in Los Angeles County?

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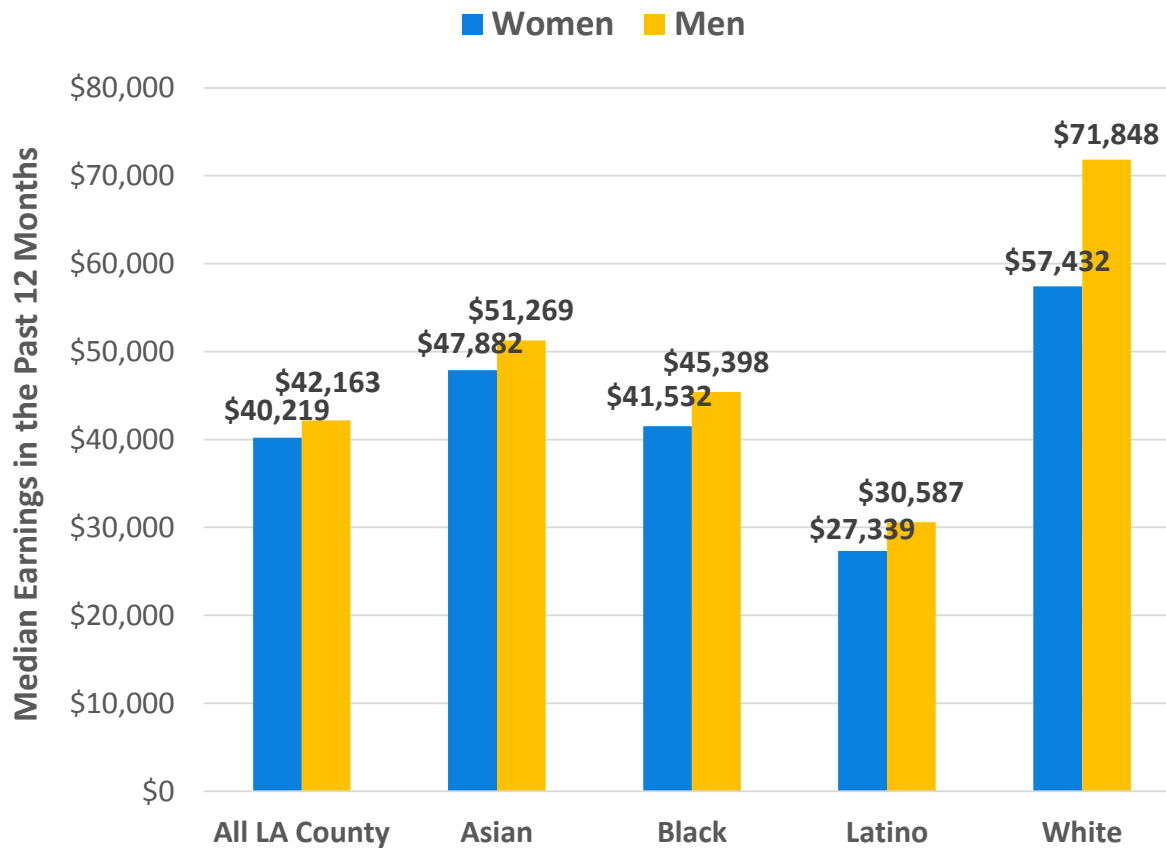
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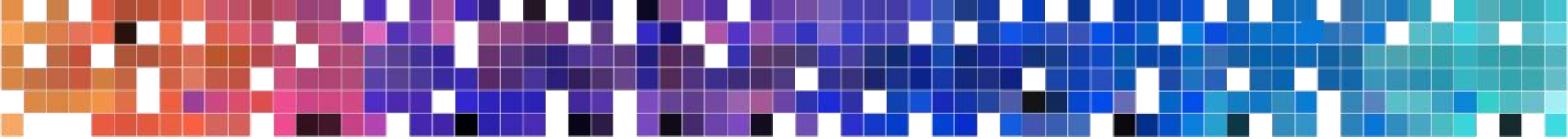
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**Latinas** report the lowest median annual earnings in Los Angeles County at \$27,339.

# Median Annual Earnings of Women and Men in Los Angeles County by Race/Ethnicity, 2014



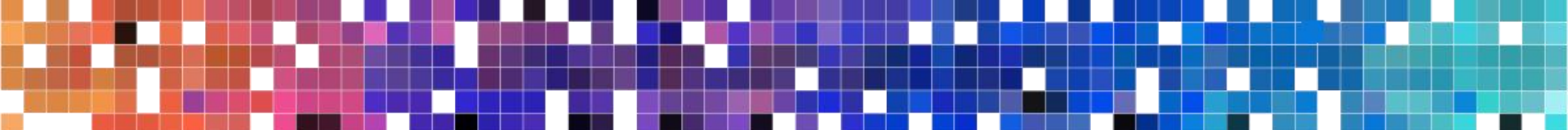
- **Latinas have the largest wage gap, making only 38% of the median earnings of white men, followed by black women at 58%, Asian women at 67% and white women at 80%.**



# Impact of Trauma, Violence & Stress on Health

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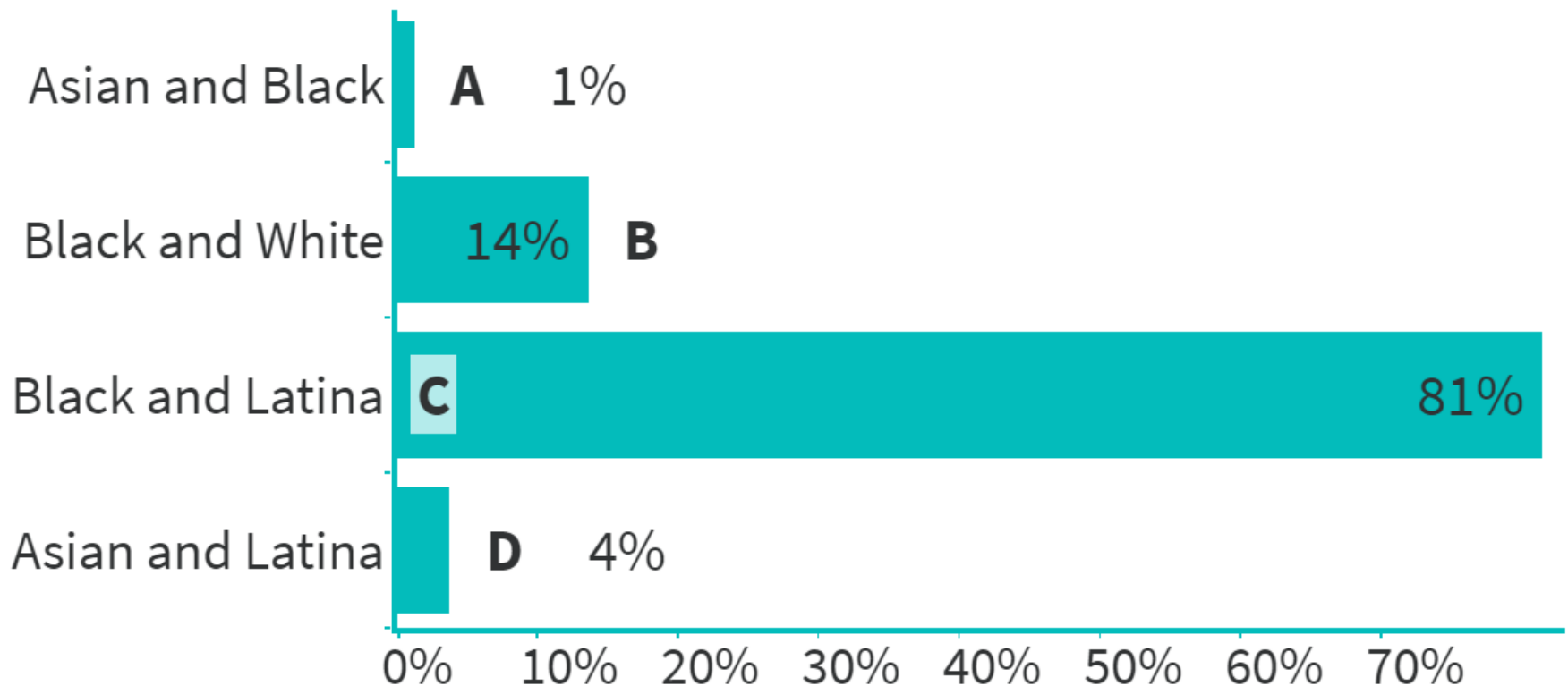




## Women from which two race/ethnicities report the highest percent of ever experiencing physical and/or sexual violence by an intimate partner (IPV)?

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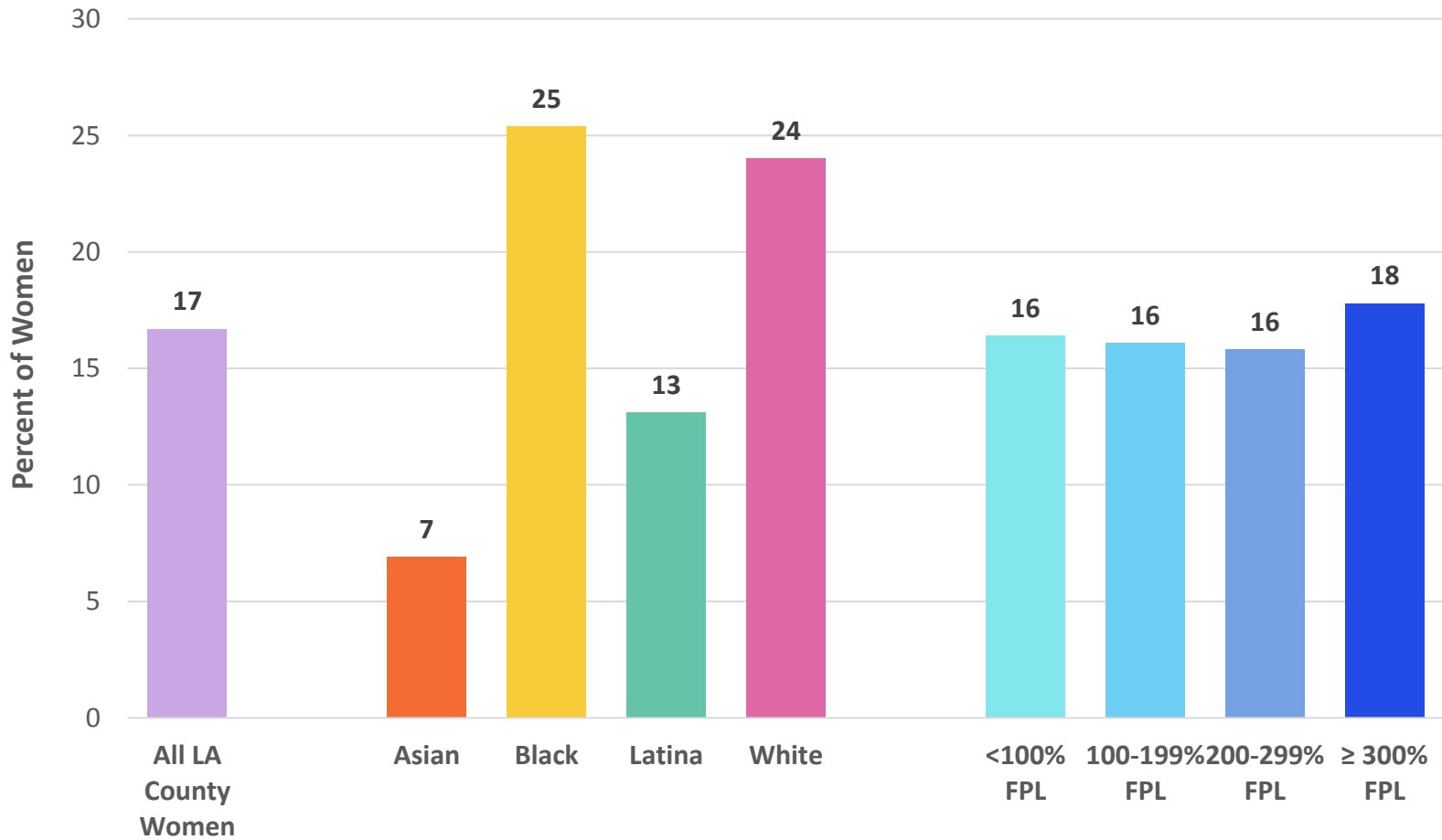
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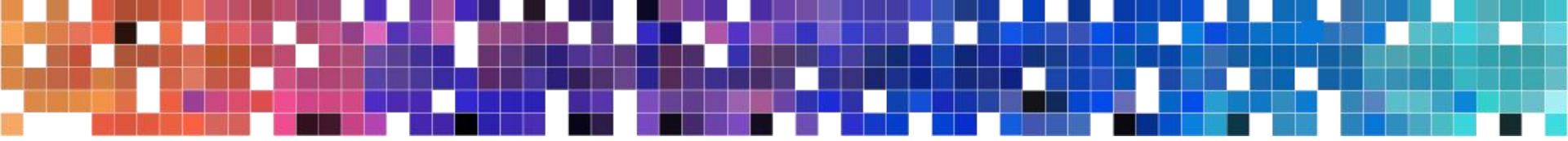
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Answer: (B)

**Black and white women** in Los Angeles County report the highest percent of ever experiencing IPV.

# Percent of Women who Report Ever Experiencing Physical and/or Sexual Violence by an Intimate Partner in Los Angeles County, 2015

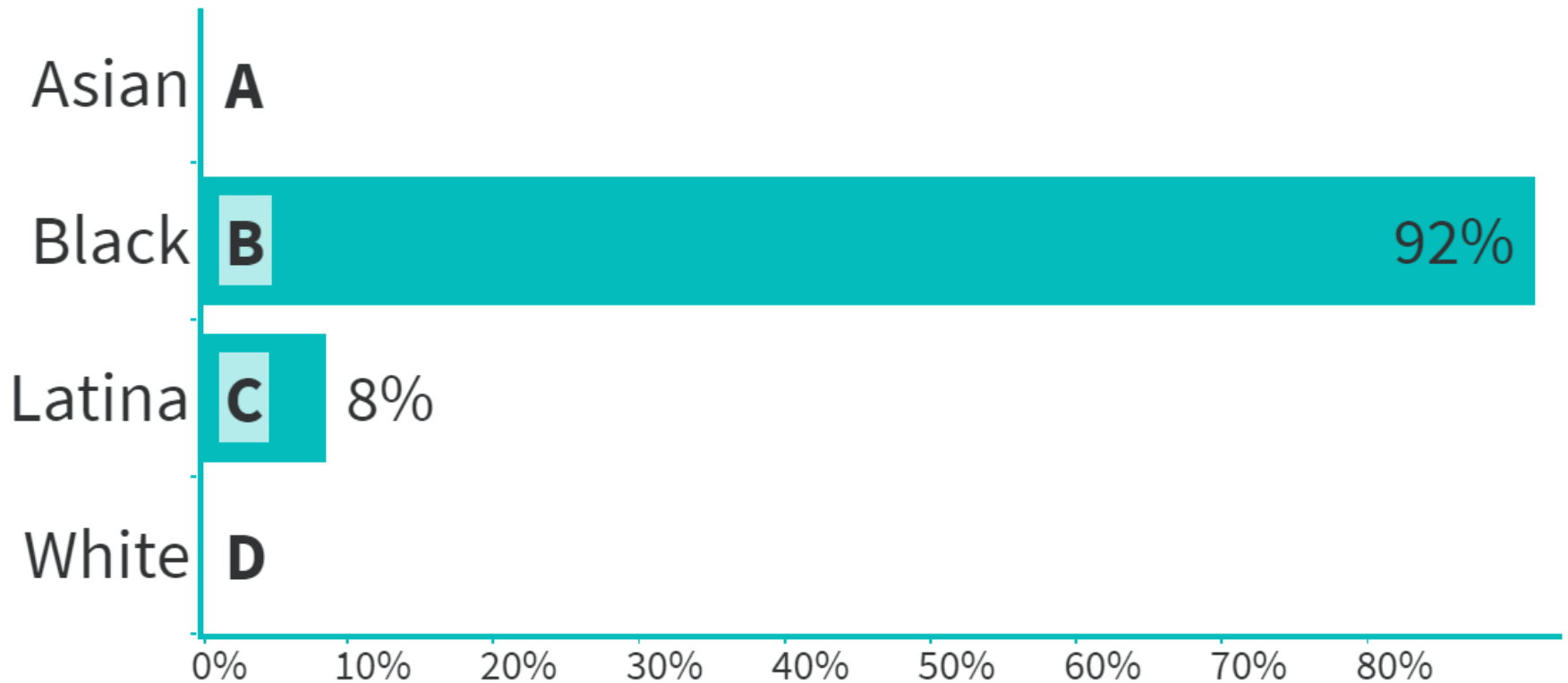




## LA County mothers from which race/ethnicity report the highest percent of experiencing at least one incident of discrimination over their lifetime?

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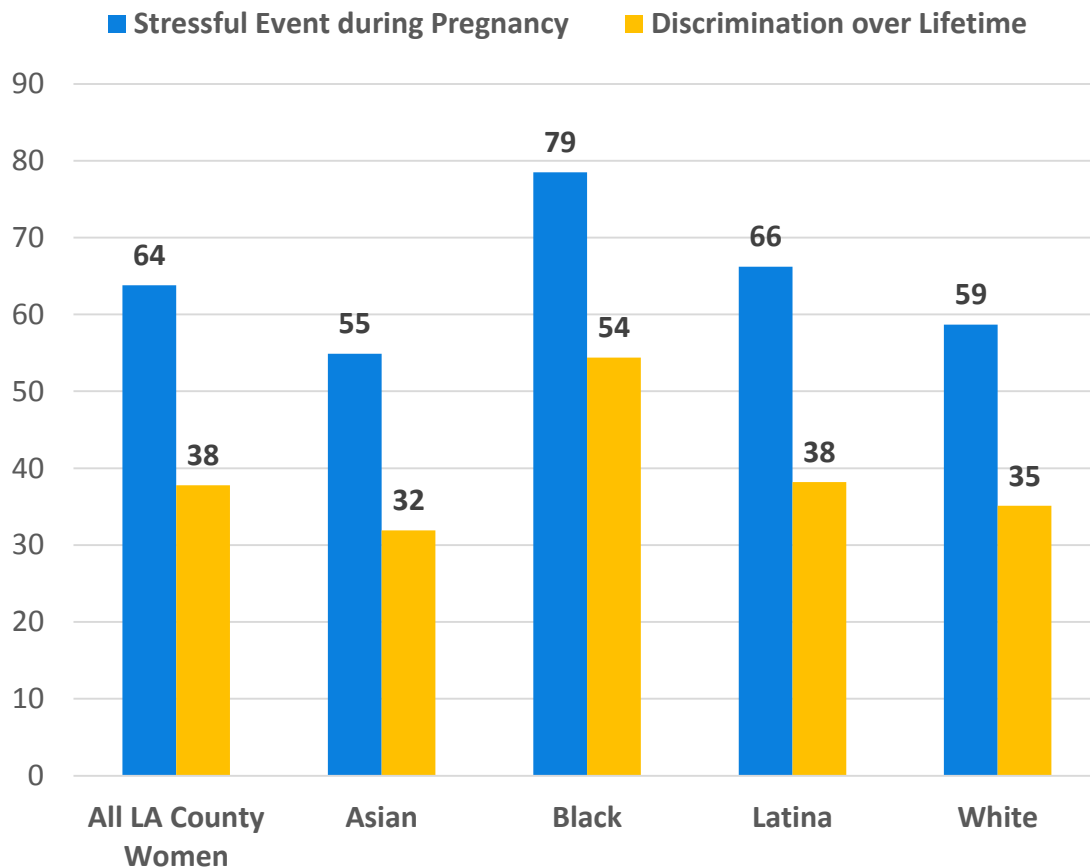
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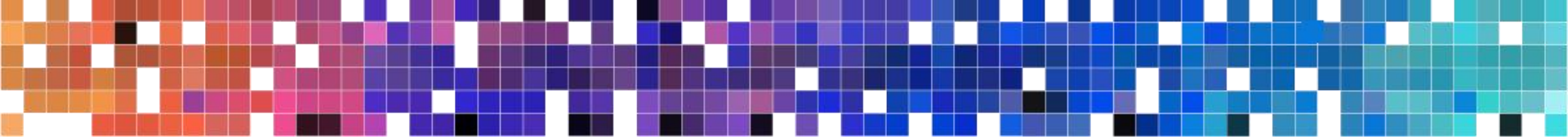
Answer: (B)

**Black mothers** in LA County report the highest percent (54%) of experiencing at least one incident of discrimination over their lifetime.

## Percent of Women with a Recent Live Birth who Report a Stressful Event During Pregnancy and Experiencing Discrimination, 2014

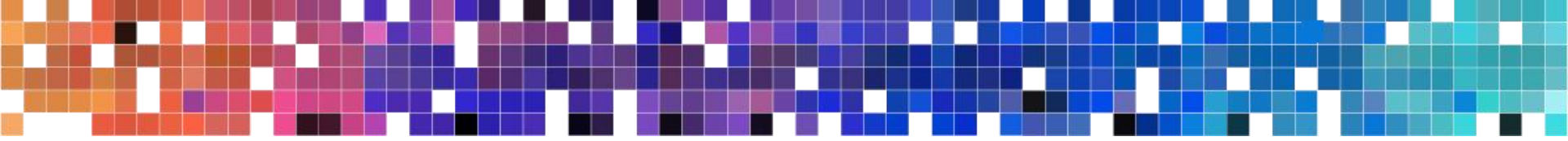


- Almost 80% of black women with a recent live birth report **experiencing a stressful event** during their last pregnancy
- Over 50% of black women with a recent live birth report **experiencing at least one incident of discrimination** over their lifetime.



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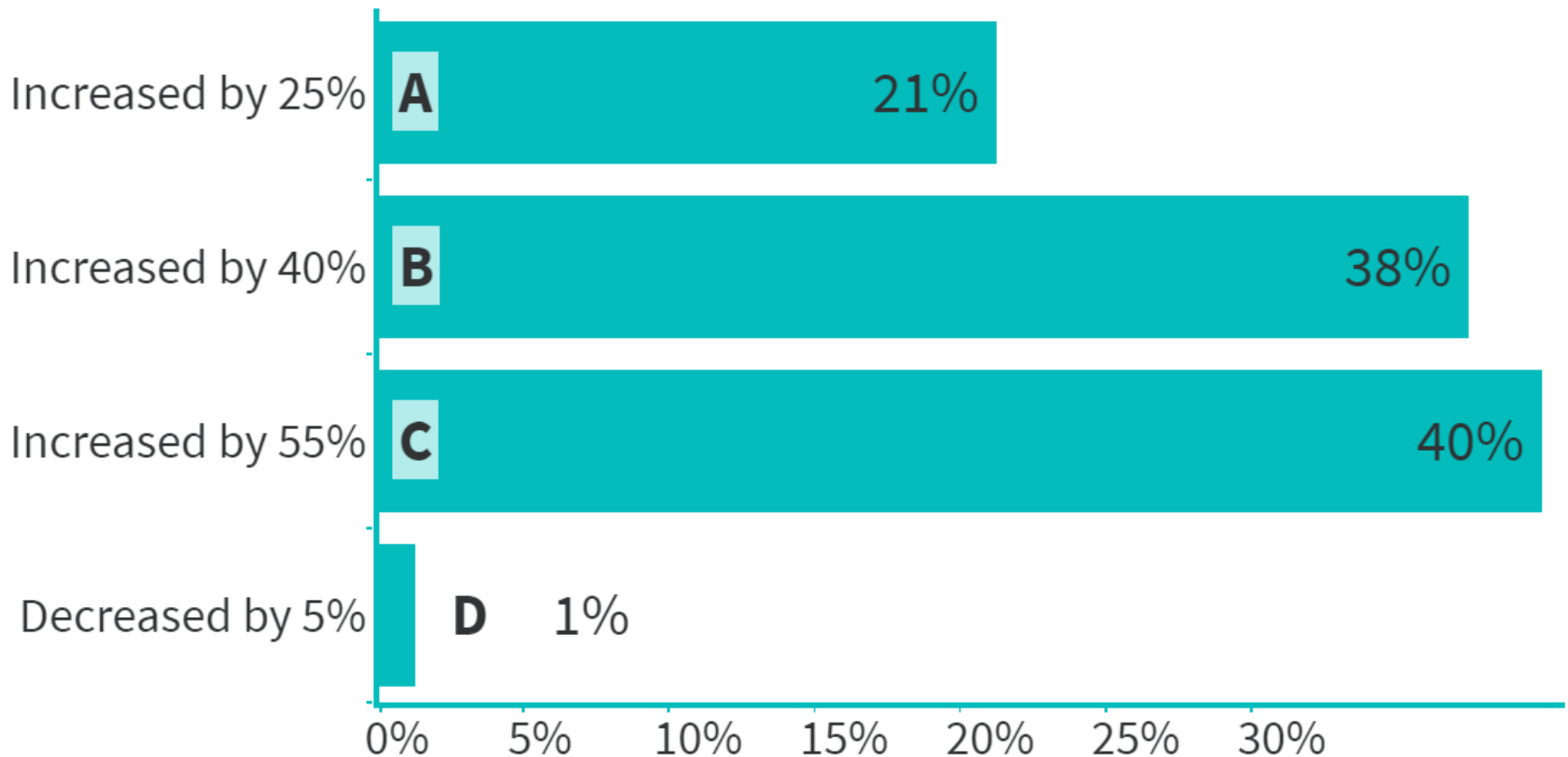
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## From 2013 to 2016, the number of homeless women in Los Angeles County has:

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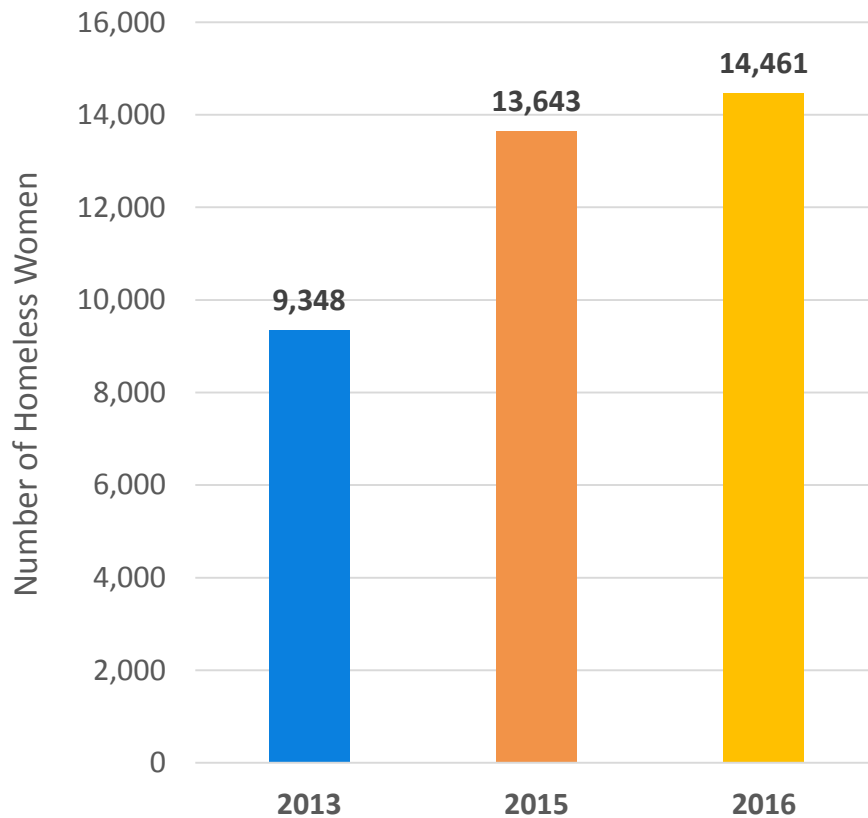
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Answer: (C)

The number of homeless women in Los Angeles County has **increased by 55%**, from 9,348 in 2013 to 14,461 in 2016.

# Number of Homeless Women in Los Angeles County from 2013 to 2016

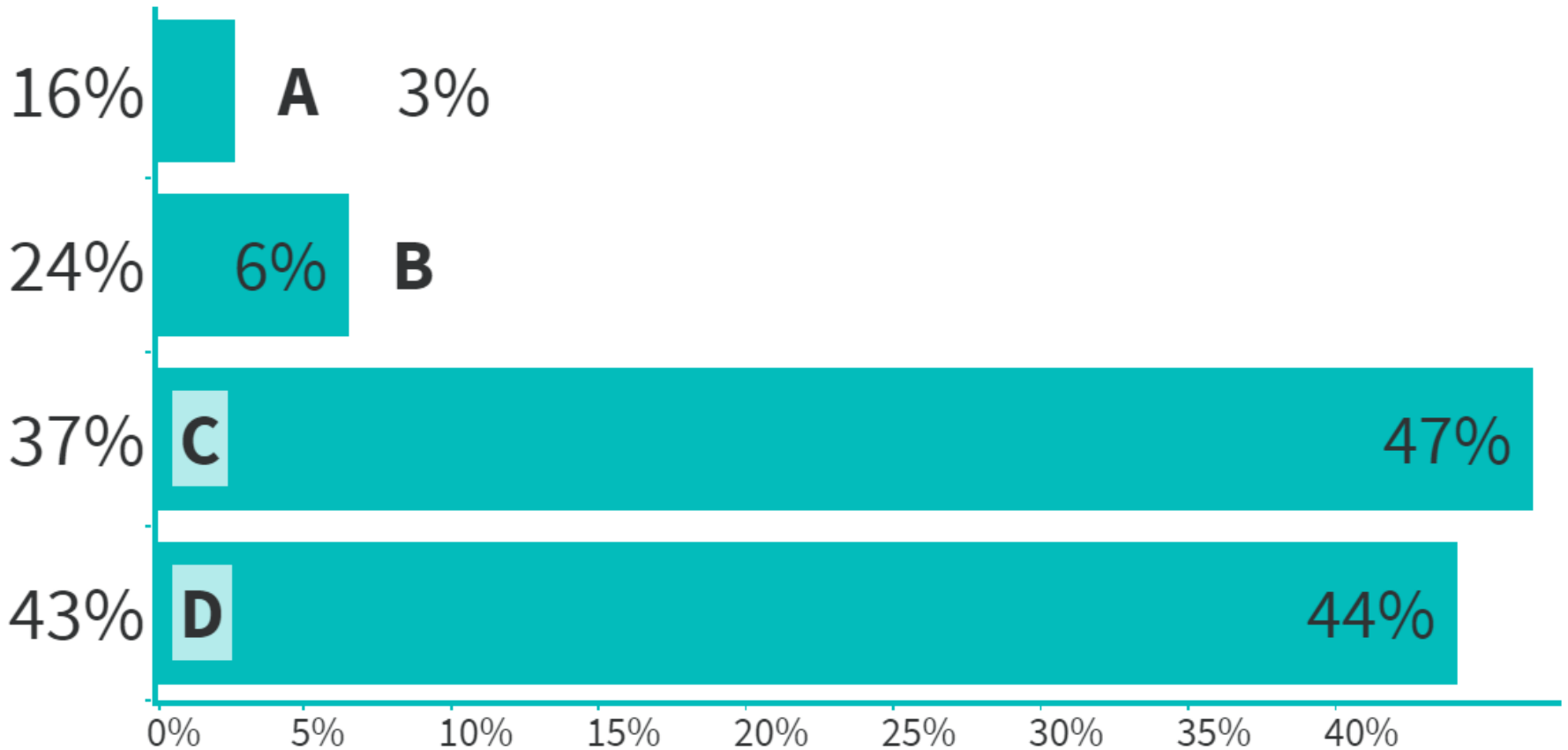


- The number of women experiencing homelessness **increased by 55%** from 2013 to 2016.
- Approximately **70% of homeless women** in LA County (9,923 women) are **unsheltered**.
- Black women (40%), Latinas (29%) and white women (23%) make up the majority of homeless women.
- More homeless women are **living in families** than homeless men.

# What percent of unsheltered homeless women in LA County report having a mental illness?

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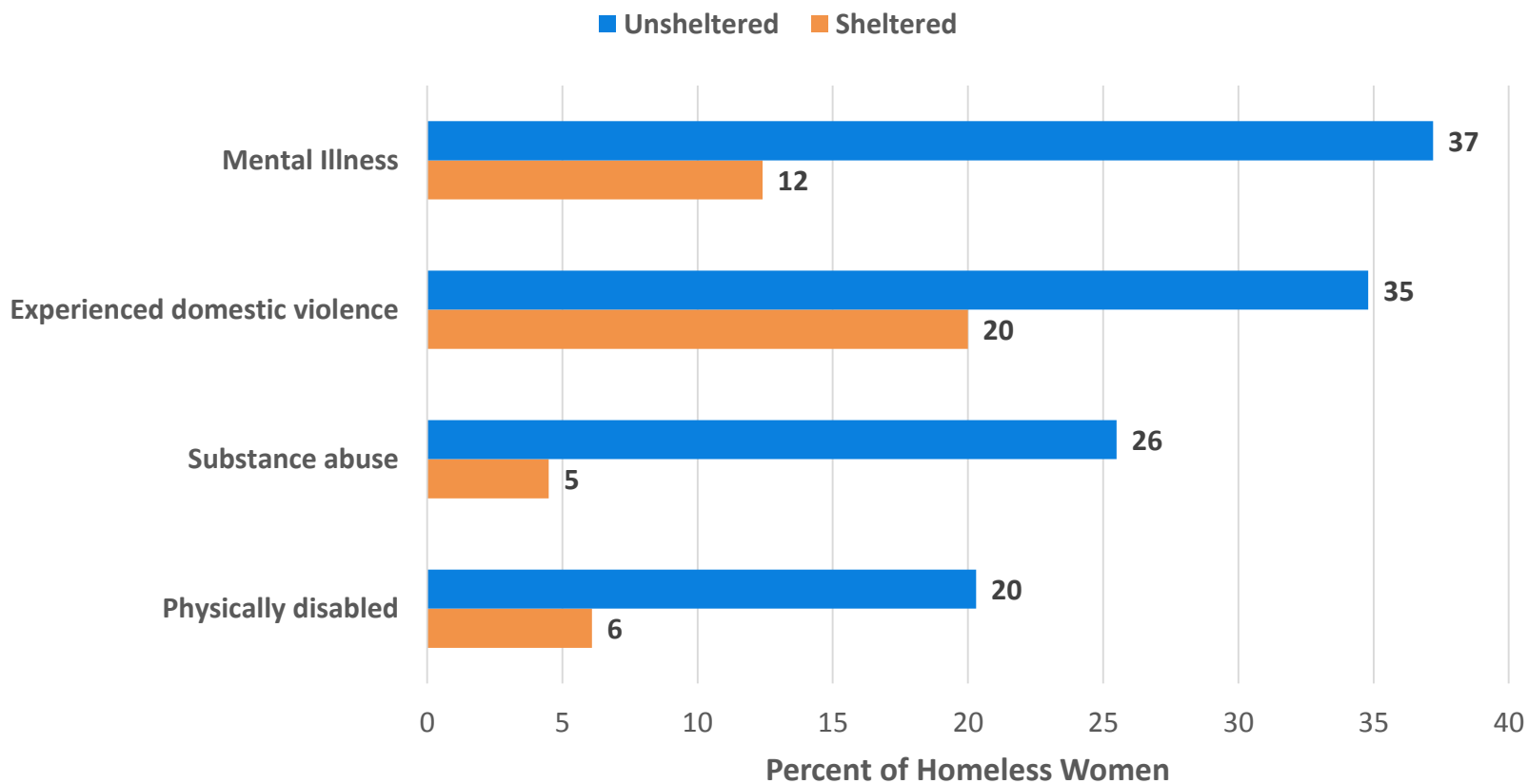
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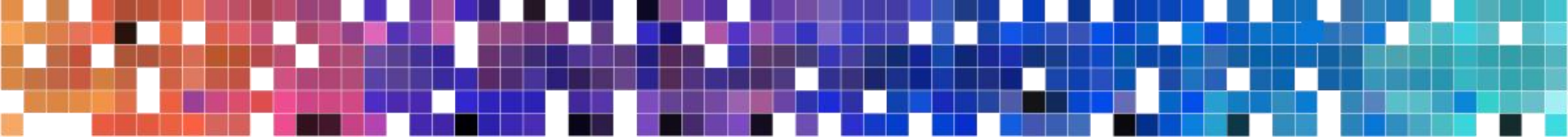


Answer: (C)

**37%** of unsheltered homeless women in LA County report having a mental illness.

# Selected Health and Social Characteristics of Homeless Women in Los Angeles County by Sheltered Status, 2016





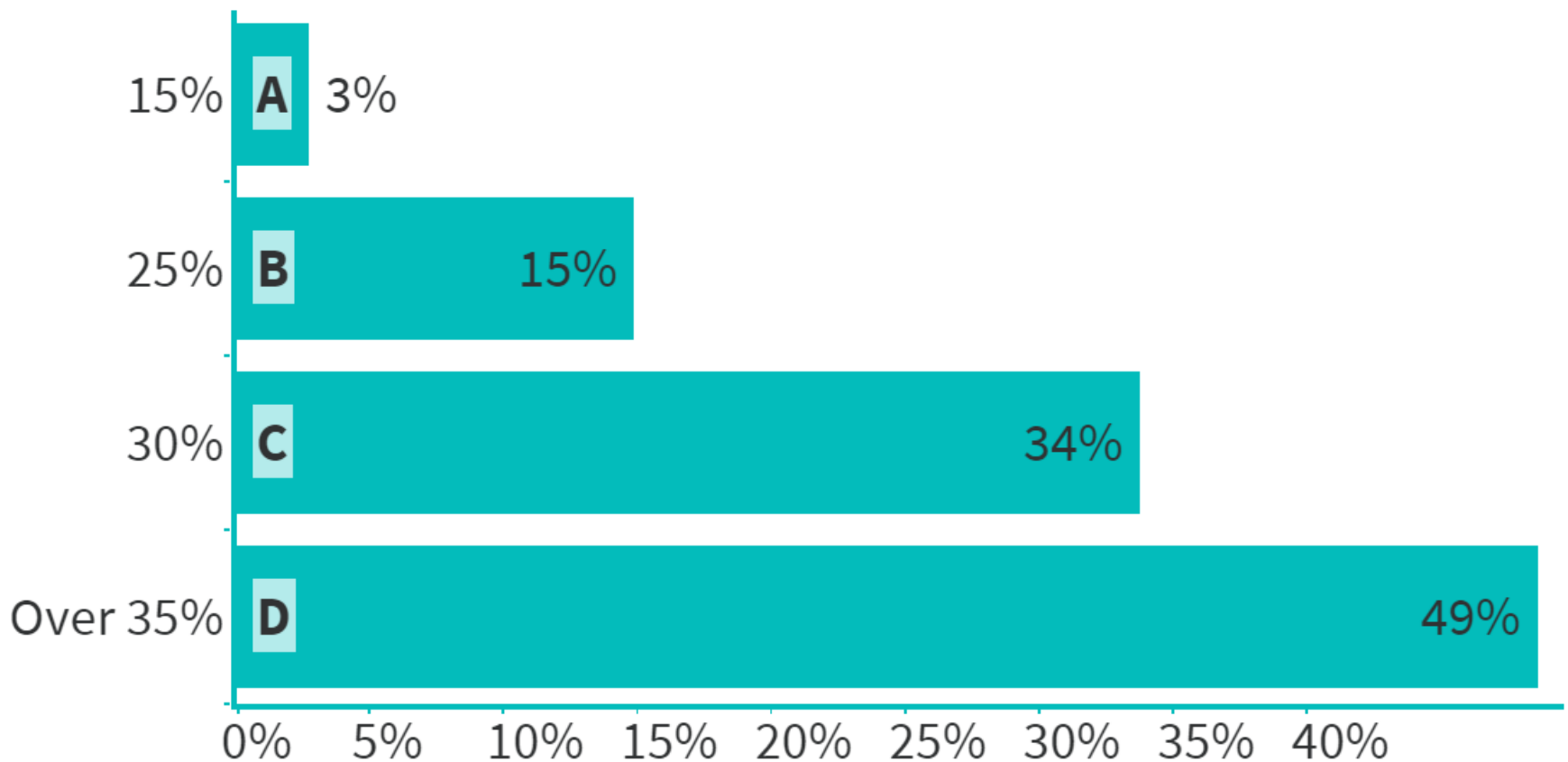
# **Racial Justice: Focus on American Indian/Alaskan Native Women**

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# What percent of American Indian/Alaskan Native women in LA County report their health to be fair or poor?

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## Focus on American Indian/Alaska Native Women

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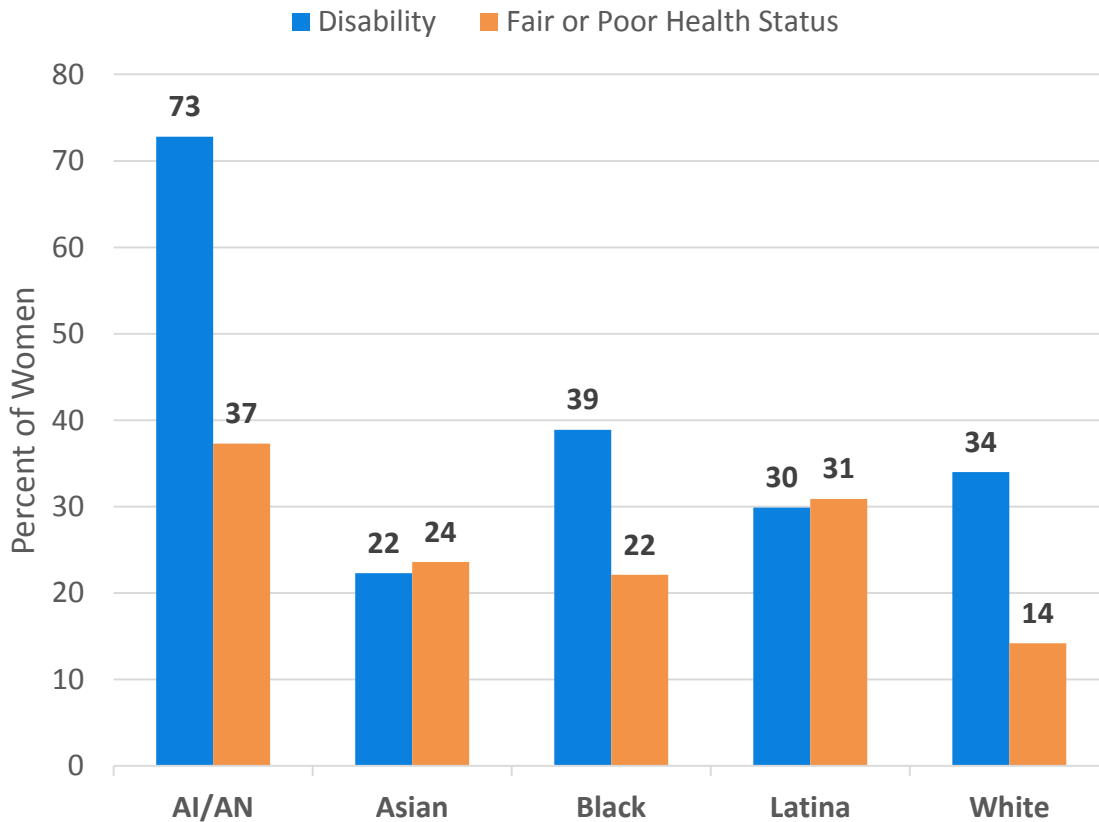


Answer: (D)

**37%** of American Indian/Alaskan Native women in LA County report their health to be fair or poor.



## Percent of Women Reporting a Disability and Fair or Poor Health Status in Los Angeles County by Race/Ethnicity, 2011-2014

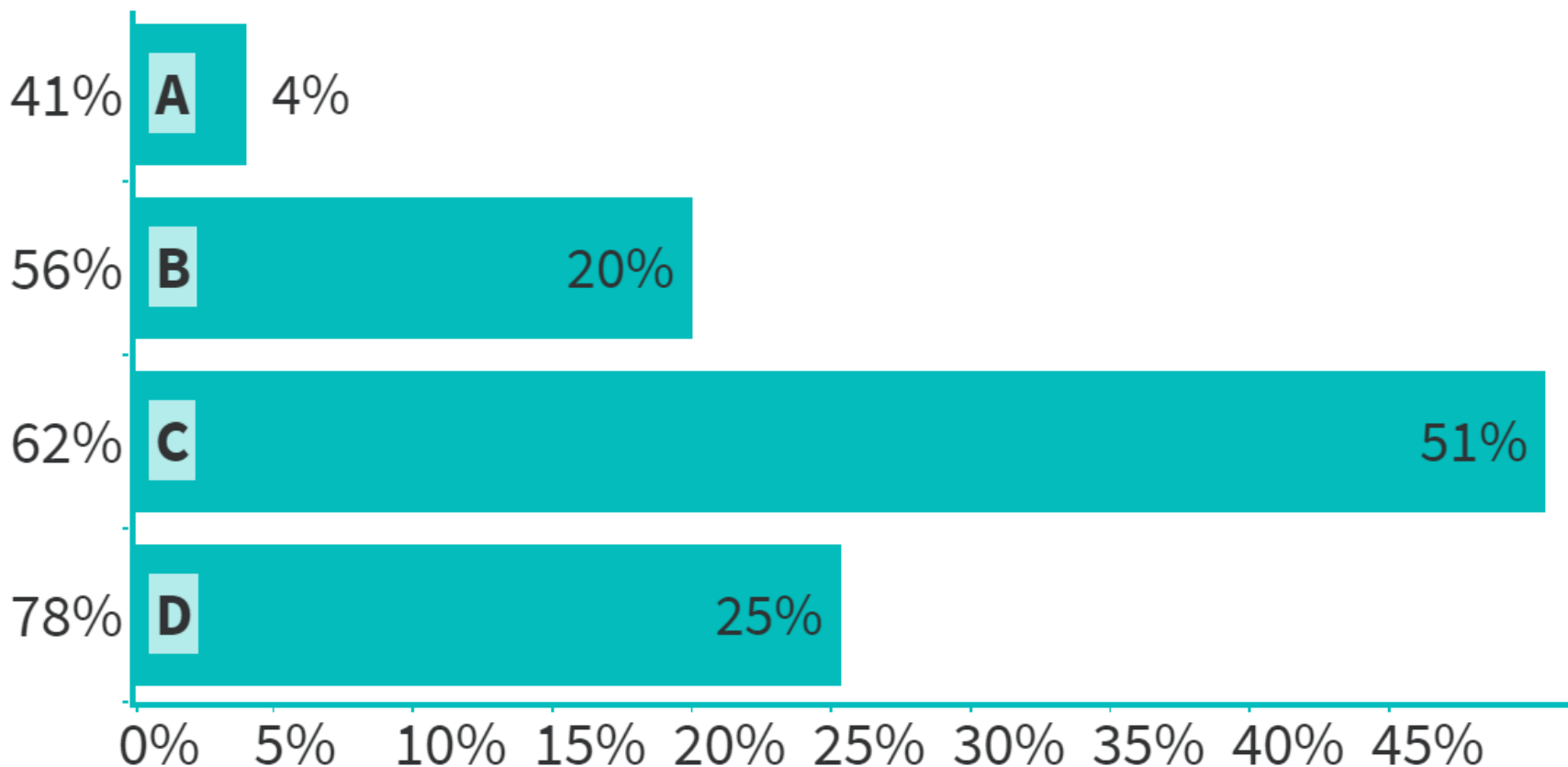


- 73% of AI/AN women report a disability, far higher than women from other race/ethnic groups.
- 37% of AI/AN women report a fair or poor health status.

# What percent of American Indian/Alaskan Native women in LA County are overweight or obese?

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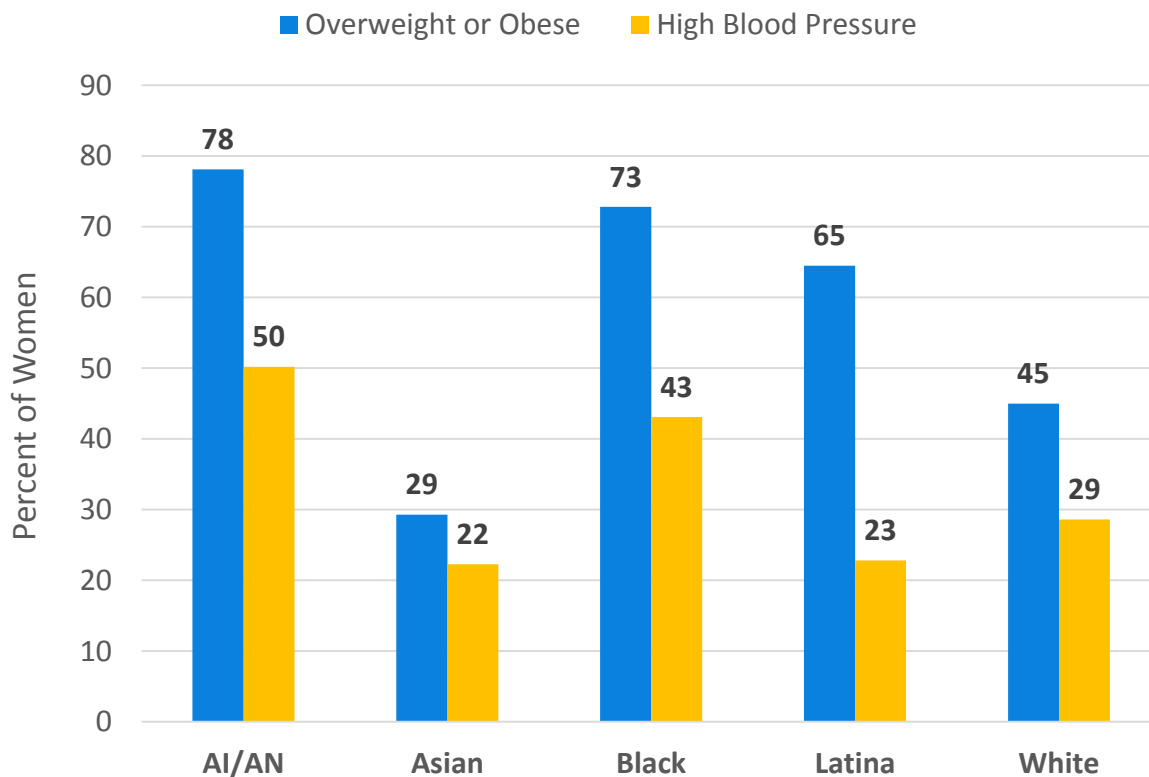
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Answer: **(D)**

**78%** of American Indian/Alaskan Native women in LA County are overweight or obese.

## Percent of Women with Overweight or Obesity and High Blood Pressure in Los Angeles County by Race/Ethnicity, 2011-2014



- AI/AN women have the highest rates of poor health outcomes such as overweight or obesity and high blood pressure.
- Mortality rates from coronary heart disease and diabetes are higher among AI/AN women than women of other race/ethnic groups.

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