

PERMANENCY AND WELL-BEING IN THE CONTEXT OF COMMUNITY

Vermilion County
Central Region

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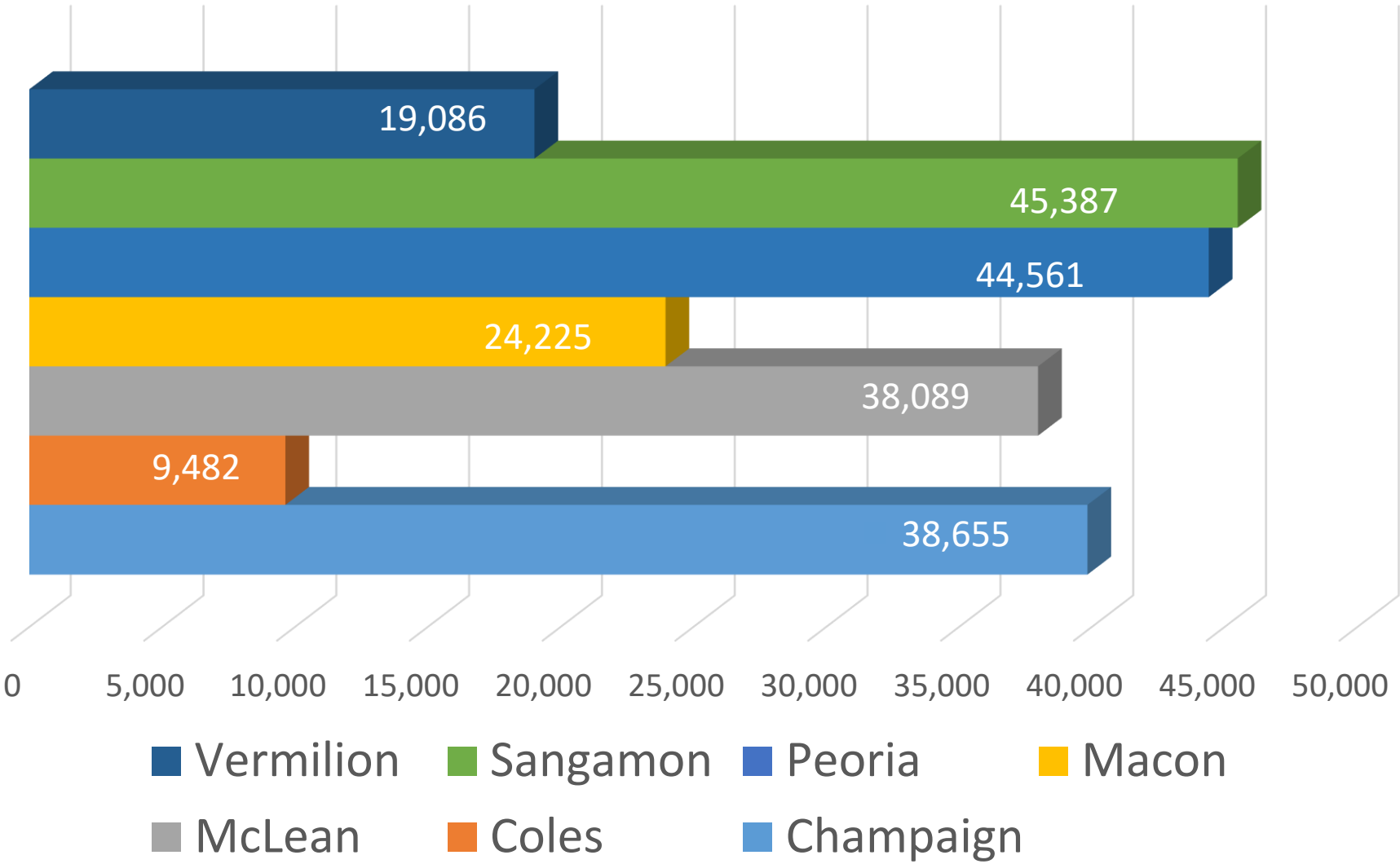
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CHILD AND COMMUNITY CHARACTERISTICS



Total Child Population by County

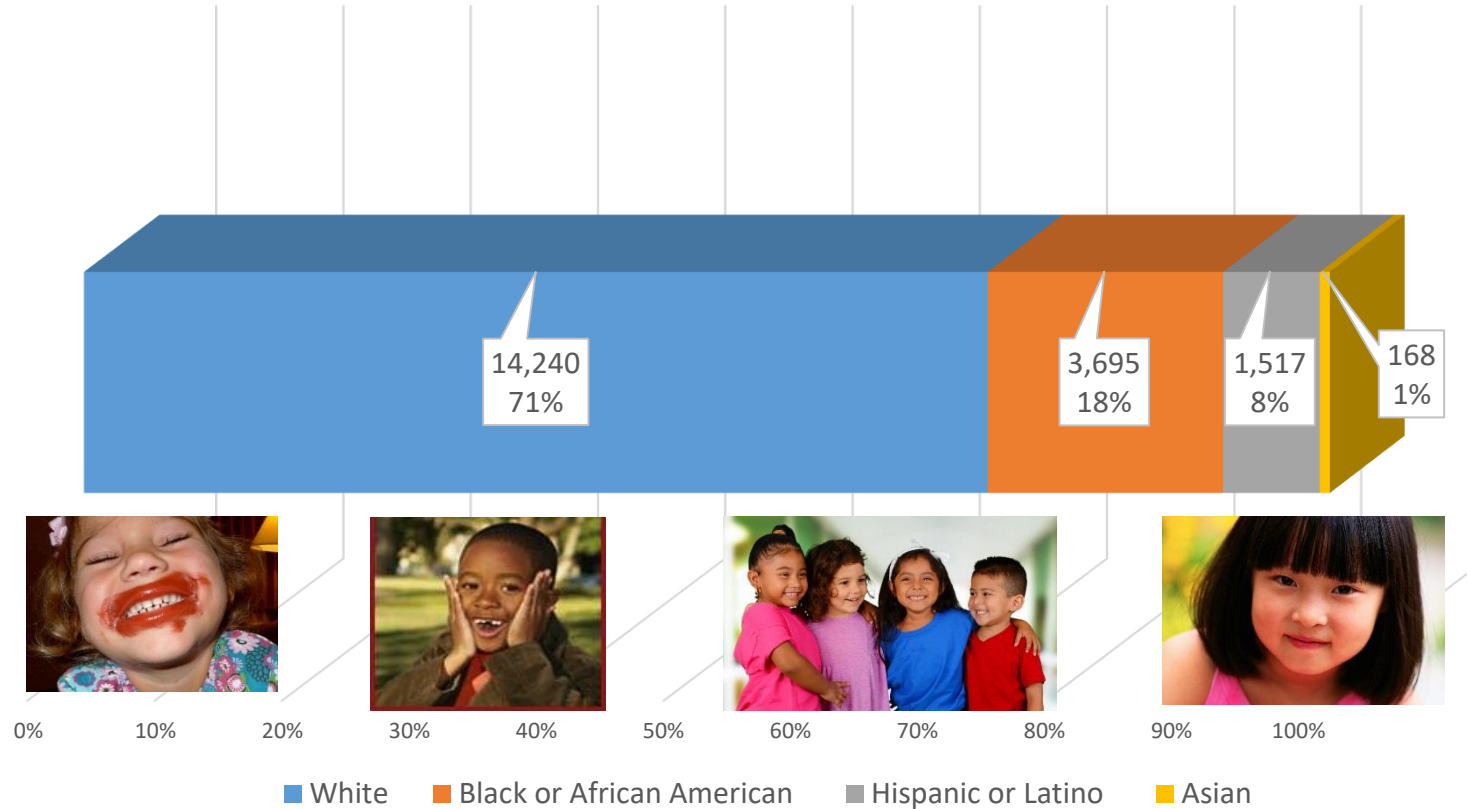
Vermilion:
Among
counties with
smallest child
populations.



Source: U.S. Census Bureau, *Child Characteristics*, 2012-2016 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates. Retrieved from: https://factfinder.census.gov/bkmk/table/1.0/en/ACS/16_5YR/S0901/0500000US17019|0500000US17029|0500000US17113|0500000US17115|0500000US17143|0500000US17167|0500000US17183

Vermilion County Child Population by Race/Ethnicity

Vermilion:
20%+
children of
color

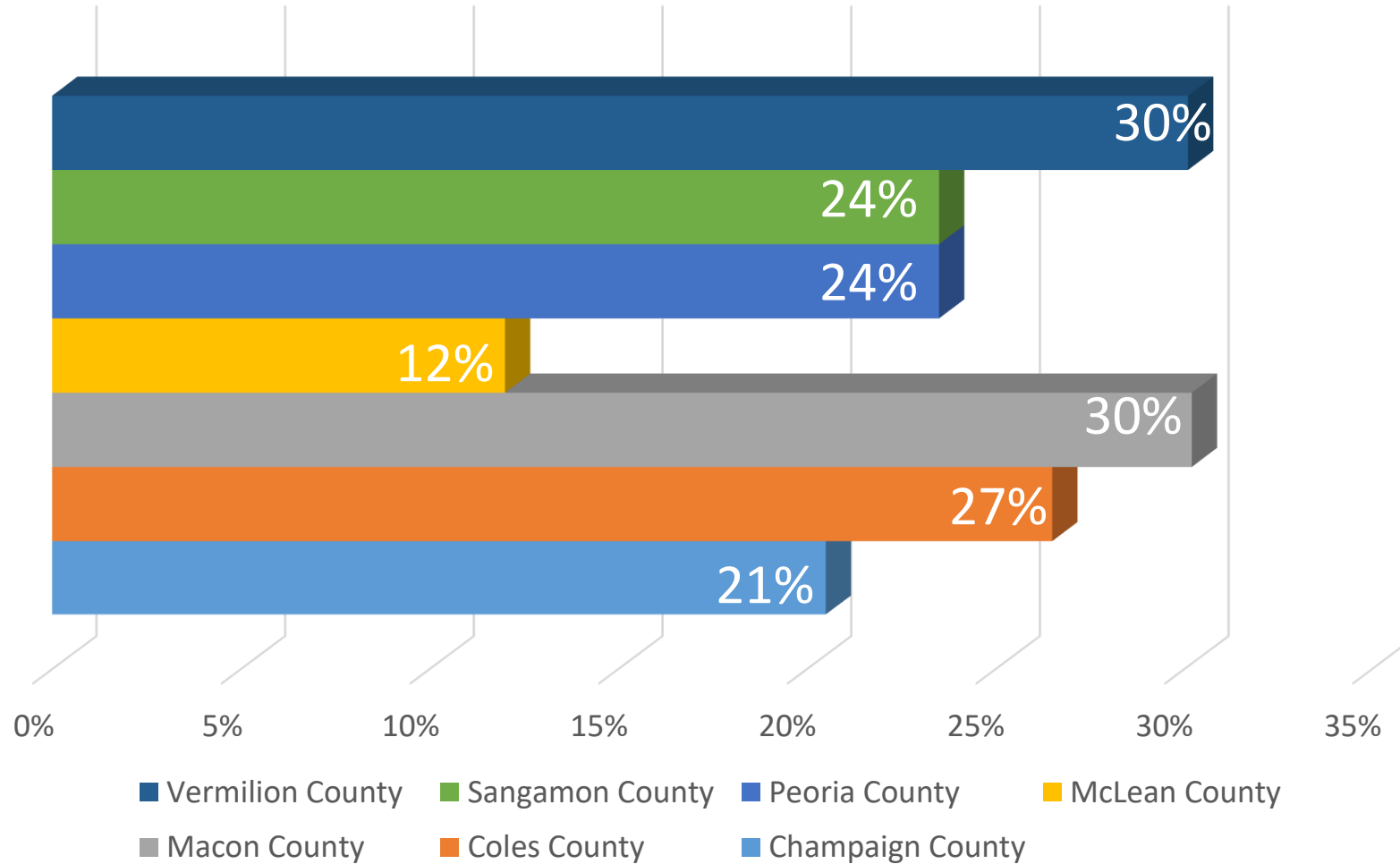


Note: Total reflects margins of error ranging from +/-7 to +/-341; does not include race "other" race/ethnicity categories.

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, Sex by Age, 2012-2016 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates. Retrieved from:

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% of Children at or Below Poverty

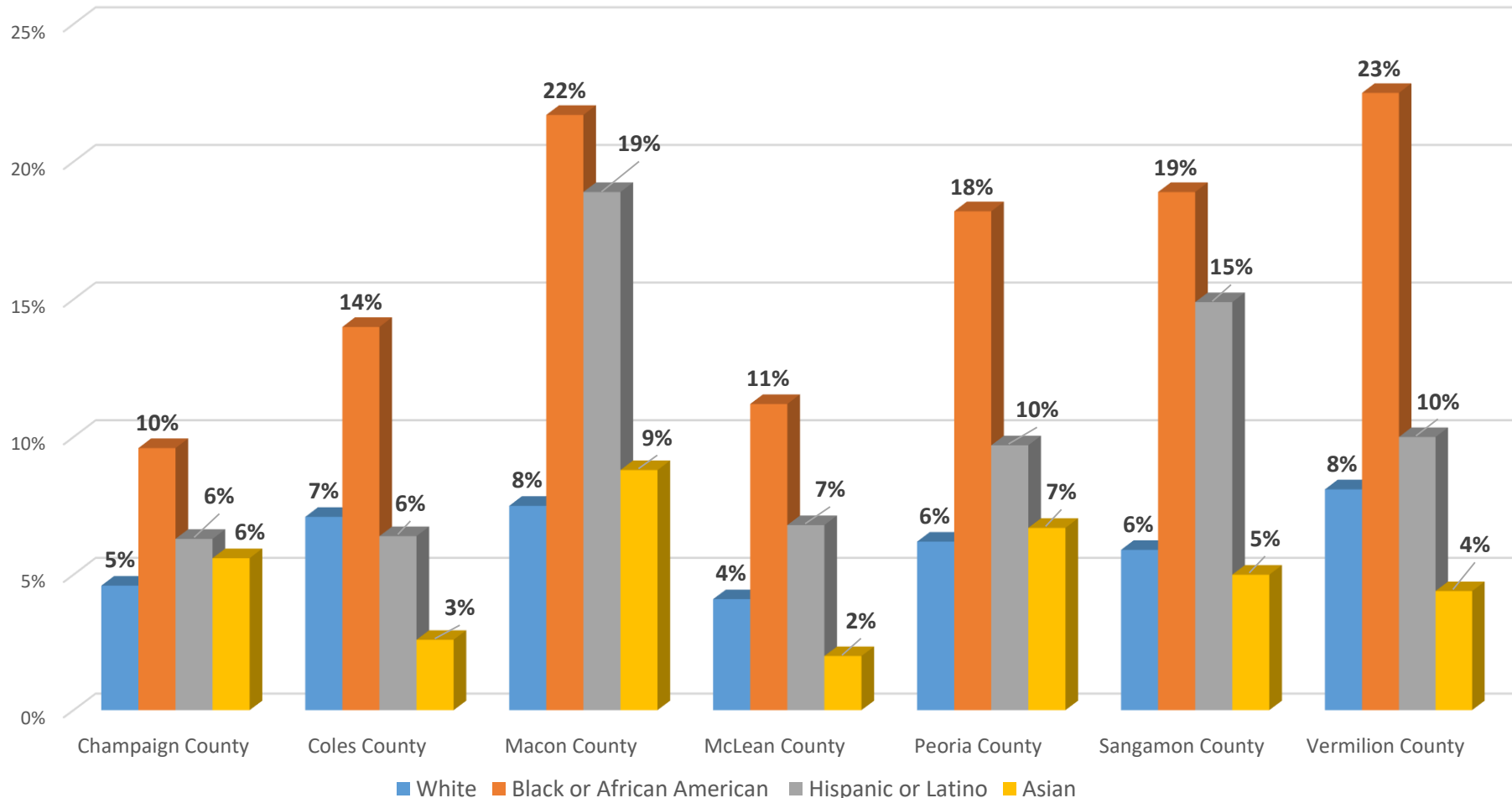


Note: Percent represents the number of children living below poverty by the total child population of that county

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, *Poverty Status in past 12 months*, 2012-2016 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates. Retrieved from:

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% Unemployed by Race



Vermilion:
 Whites > double national
 Latinos > 2.5 nation
 Asian = nation
 AA > 5.5x nation

**National
 Unemployment
 Rate (2018): 4%**

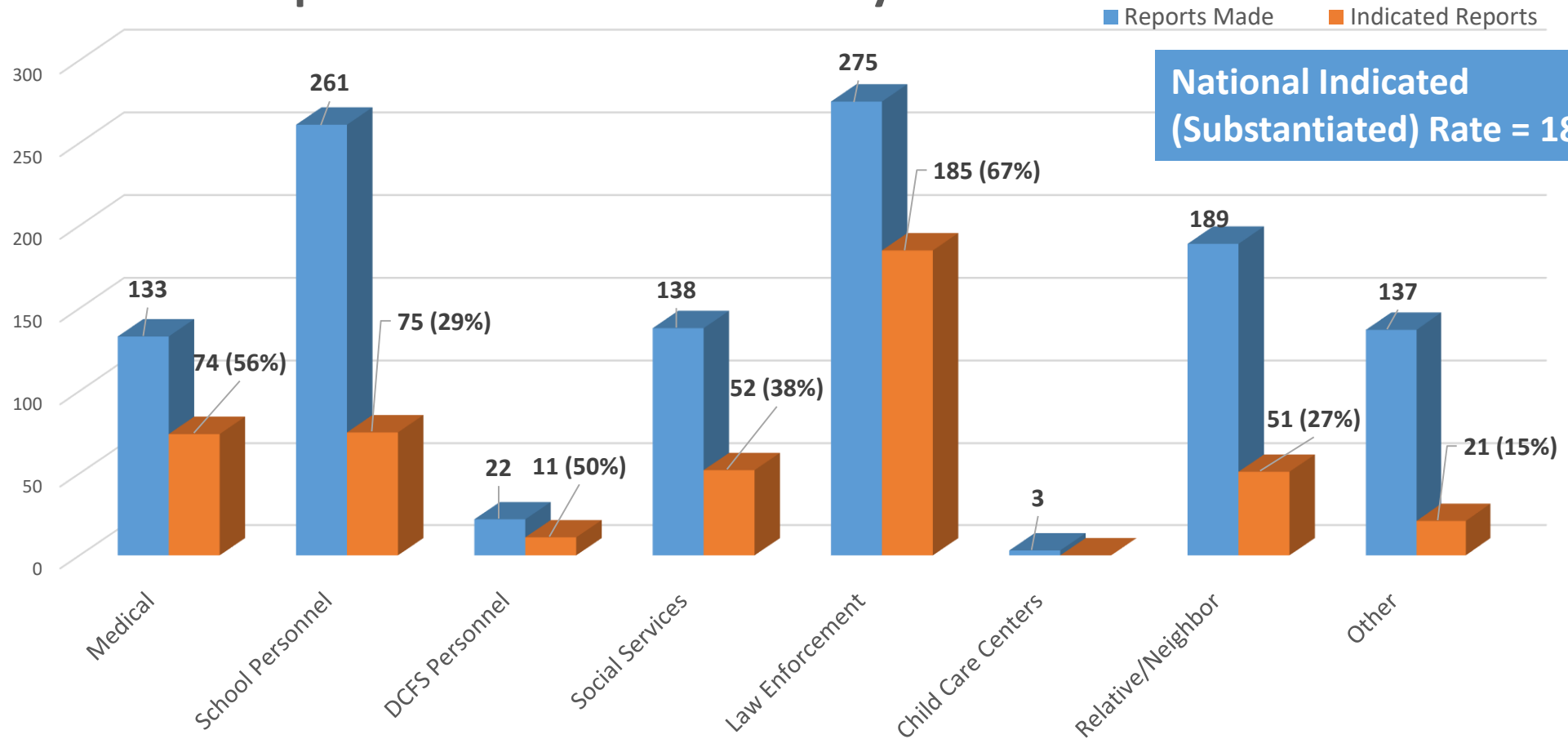
Source: U.S. Bureau of
 Labor Statistics, (2018).
<https://data.bls.gov/time-series/LNS1400000>

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, *Employment Status*, 2012-2016 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates. Retrieved from:
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Vermilion County: CHILD PROTECTION AND PERMANENCY



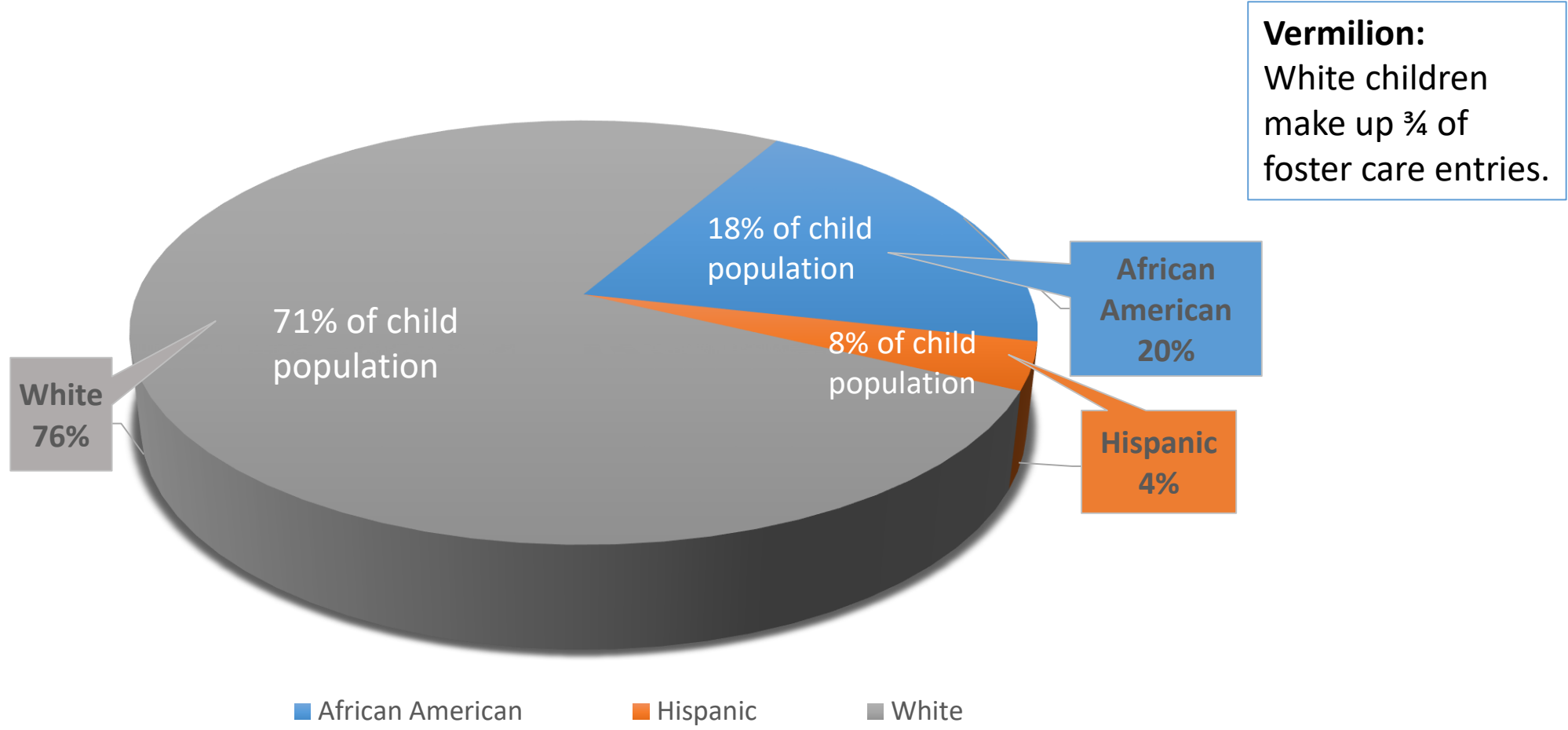
Vermilion County Reports Made vs. Indicated by Source FY 2017



Note: *Percent = Total indicated / Total reports made*

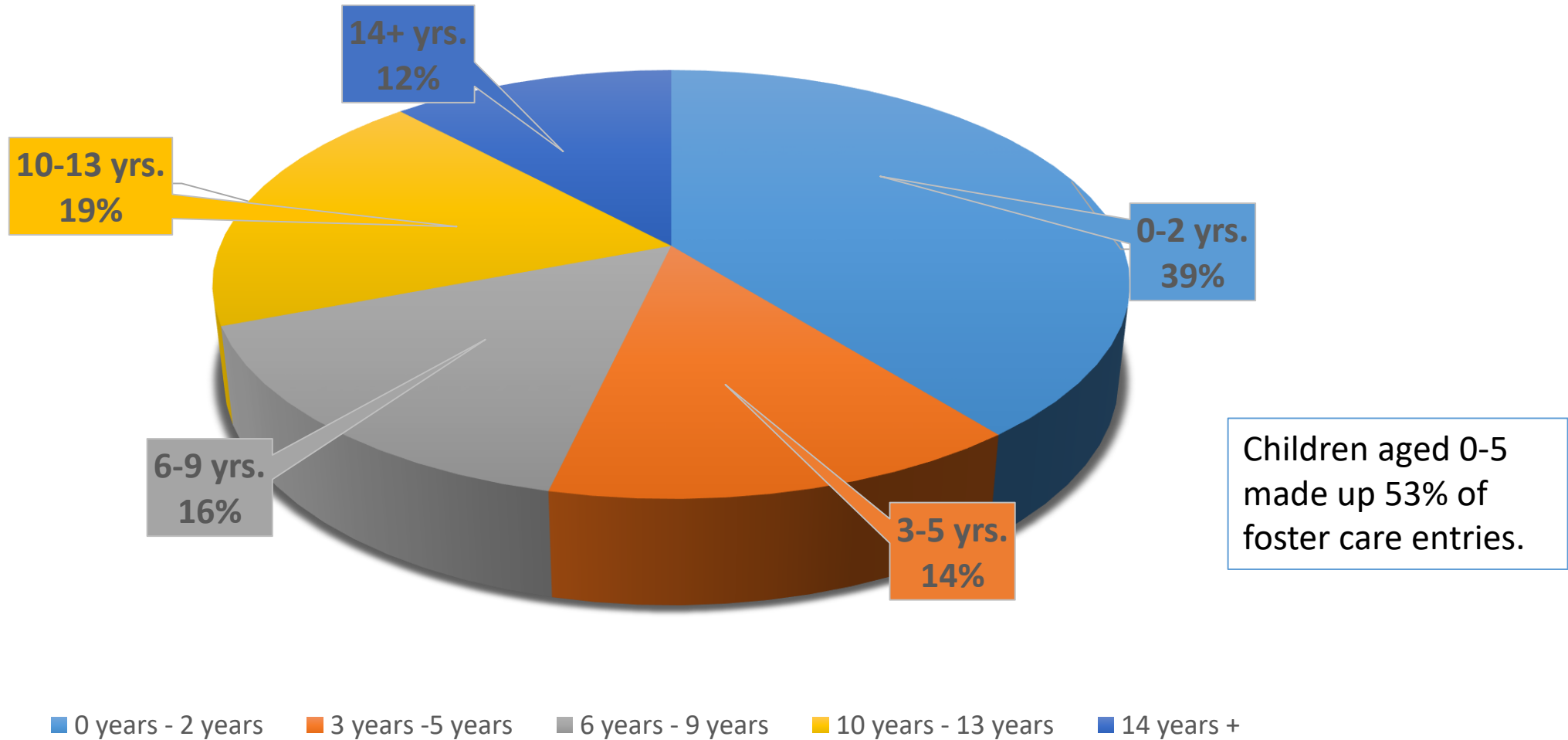
1. Source: Central Region DCFS Mindshare Data FY17, "Source of Indicated Reports"
2. Source: Child Welfare Information Gateway (2015). Retrieved 5-3-2018 at <https://www.childwelfare.gov/pubs/factsheets/canstats/>

Vermilion County Foster Care Entries by Race FY 2017



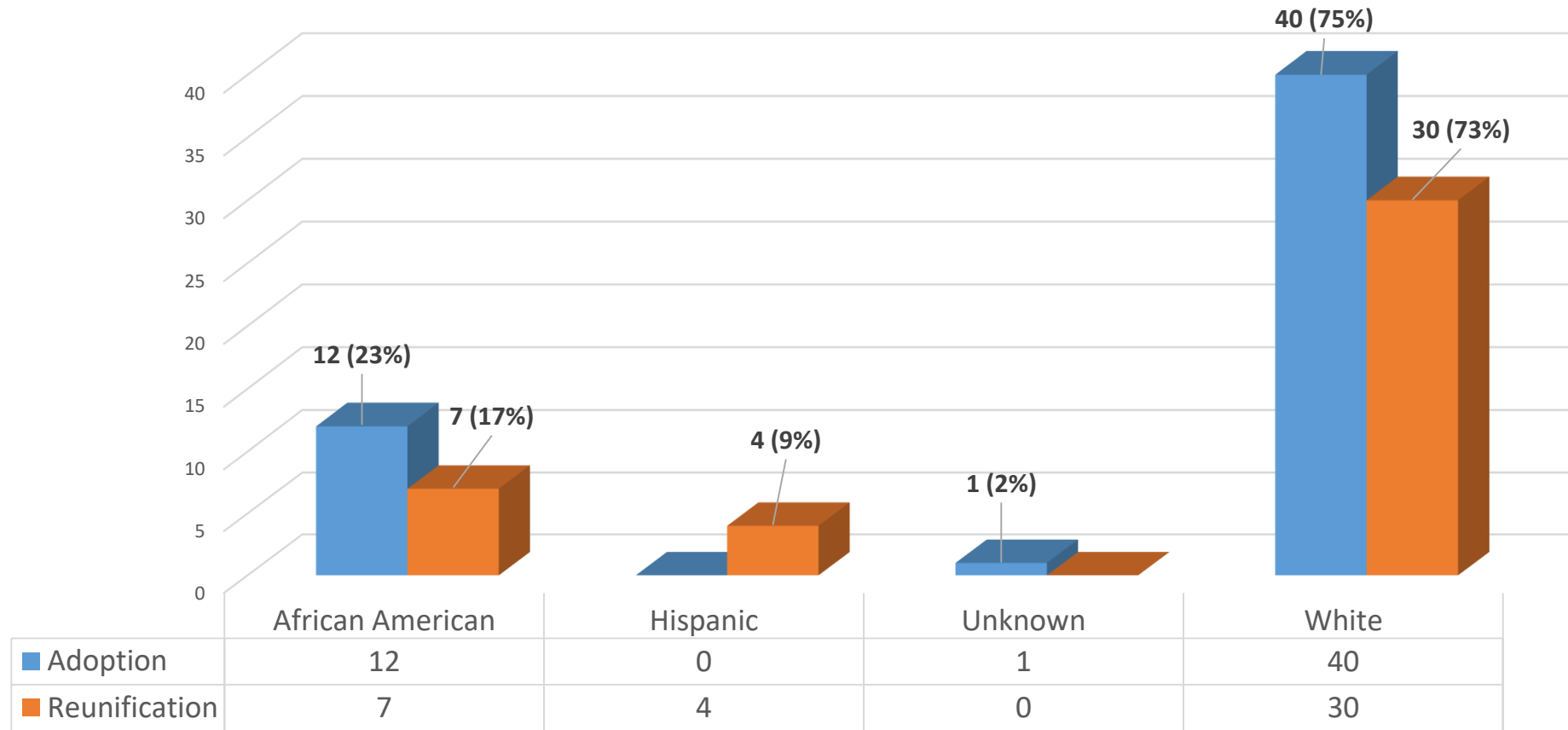
Source: Central Region DCFS Mindshare Data FY 17, "Entries into Care from the Sub-Region"

Vermilion County Foster Care Entries by Age FY 2017



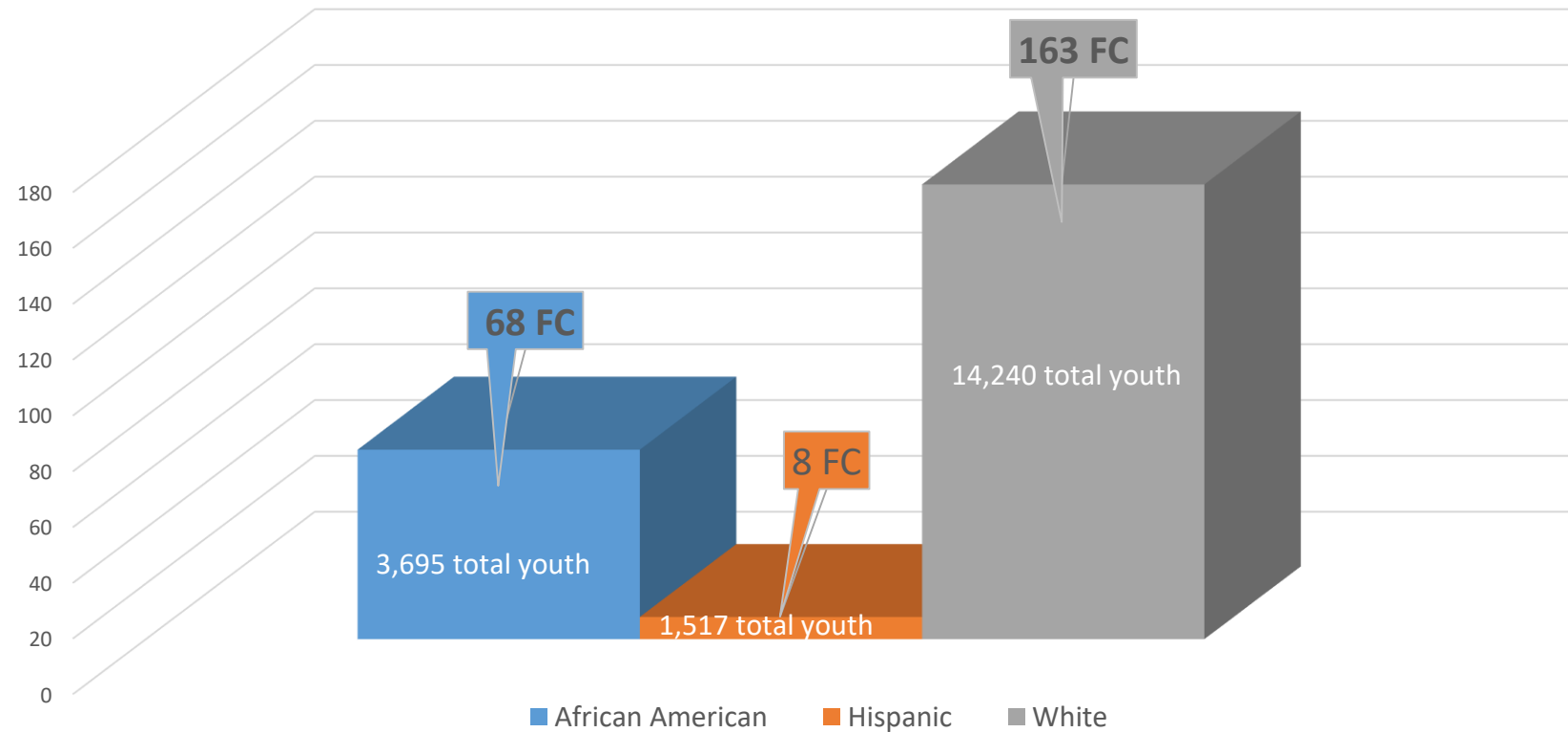
Source: Central Region DCFS Mindshare Data FY17, "Entries into Care from the Sub-Region"

Vermilion County Permanency Type by Race/Ethnicity FY 2017



Among the three permanencies, guardianship is the least likely outcome. In FY 17, White children made up the largest proportions of adoptions and reunifications, followed by African American children. Hispanic and youth identified in the “unknown” race category represented a minimal number of adoption and reunification cases.

Vermilion County Total Youth in Care FY 2017



FC = "foster care"

Source: Central Region DCFS Mindshare FY 17, "Wards from the Sub-Region"

Source: U.S. Census Bureau, *Sex by Age*, 2012-2016 American Community Survey 5-Year Estimates. Retrieved from:

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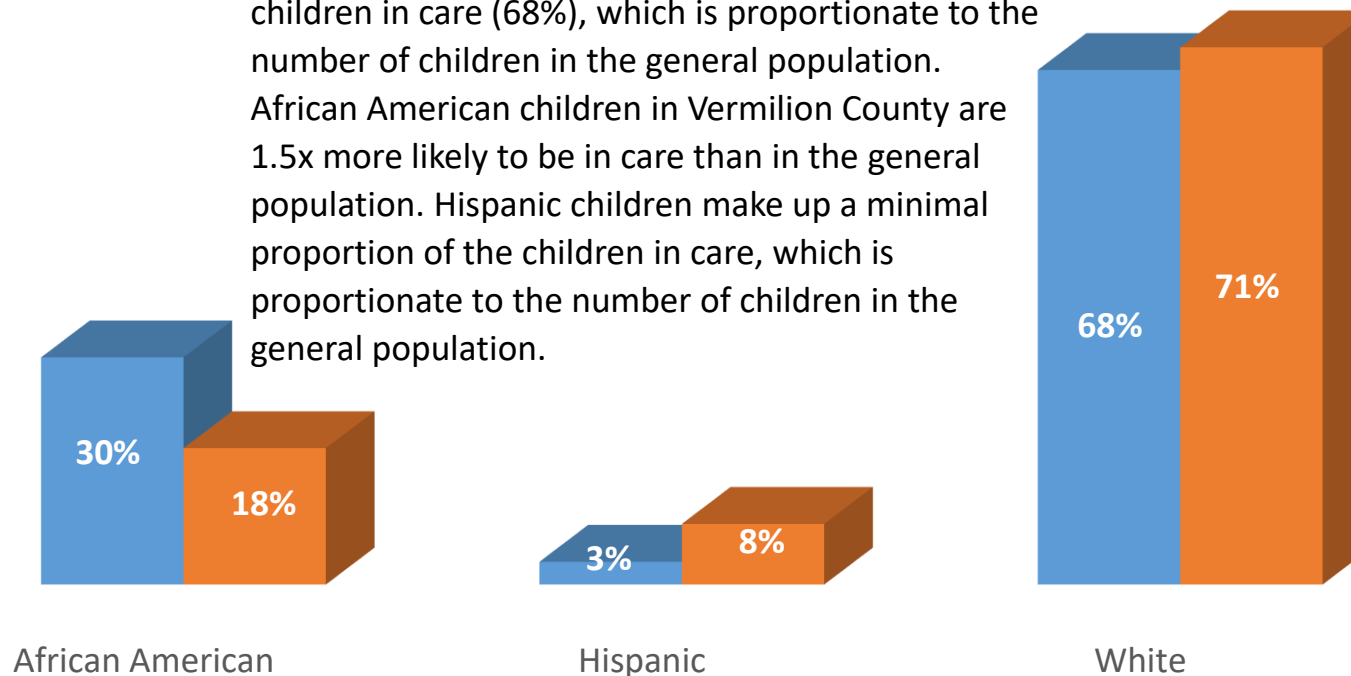
Vermilion County

% of Youth in Care Compared to Population

■ % in Care ■ % in Population



White children make up the largest number of children in care (68%), which is proportionate to the number of children in the general population. African American children in Vermilion County are 1.5x more likely to be in care than in the general population. Hispanic children make up a minimal proportion of the children in care, which is proportionate to the number of children in the general population.



Summary

- ❖ In Vermilion, the percent of foster care entries among African American children (20%) is comparable to the number of African American children in the population (18%). However, African American children are still overrepresented among the total youth in care.
- ❖ White children make up the largest proportion of youth in care in Vermilion (68%).
- ❖ In FY 17, White children represented the largest proportion of adoption and reunification cases.

Summary

- ❖ Children age 0-5 made up 53% of foster care entries in Vermillion.
- ❖ Vermilion (and Macon) Counties have the highest child poverty rates.
- ❖ Among the seven counties, Vermilion has the highest unemployment rate among African Americans (23%).

Service and Resource Implications

- ❖ Need for **ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT** to address high unemployment, particularly double digit unemployment among African Americans and Latinos.
- ❖ Need for **LIVING WAGES** to address the working poor.
- ❖ Need for **CULTURALLY RESPONSIVE child welfare services and ACCESSIBLE community based RESOURCES** including:
 - Human Services
 - Education/Child Development
 - Labor/Economic Opportunities
 - Mental and Behavioral Health
 - Medical Care
 - Faith Based Partnerships