

Talbot County Community Repair and Reinvestment Fund (CRRF) Distribution Plan

Community Conditions Data Presentation

For Stakeholder Meeting

8/18/26



**TALBOT
COUNTY**

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PURPOSE **of this packet**

This packet provides selected Talbot County data for optional advance review before the August 18, 2026, CRRF stakeholder meeting for developing the county's Distribution Plan.

The indicators are intended to support discussion and do not represent predetermined priorities. Additional data may be added as CRRF planning continues.

Indicators come from multiple sources and years; some are countywide, some are disaggregated by race/ethnicity, and some reflect system utilization rather than population-level conditions



PURPOSE

Community Reinvestment and Repair Fund

CRRF was established by the Maryland General Assembly to reinvest cannabis tax revenue in communities disproportionately impacted by past cannabis enforcement and related disparities. State law allows CRRF investments to support community-based initiatives that benefit low-income communities or serve disproportionately impacted areas.

Talbot County established its CRRF through Bill 1620, effective December 13, 2025, with the Commission administering the process. The county's Local Management Board serves as the commission.

Low-Income Regulatory Definition

Under the CRRF emergency regulations, a low-income community is:

- a HUD-designated Qualified Census Tract; or
- in jurisdictions with two or fewer QCTs, a geographic area where at least 51% of households earn at or below 80% of Area Median Income, using the most recent HUD data.

Talbot County has one Qualified Census Tract:
Census Tract 9603 Easton.

State guidance is still needed regarding the permissible geographic unit for applying the 51% / 80% AMI standard.

Cannabis Use and Enforcement

Maryland and Talbot County Data

Marijuana Usage by Race

Exhibit 2
Marijuana Use Nationally by Race and Ethnicity
2019

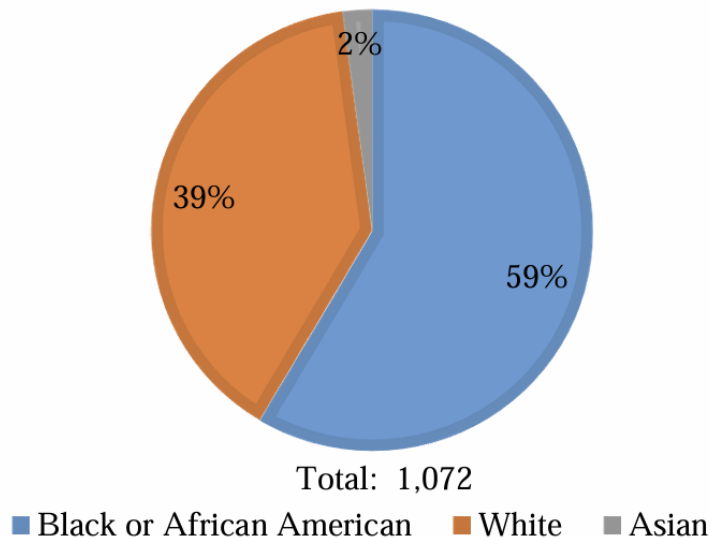
<u>Race/Ethnicity</u>	Age 18 and Over		Age 26 and Over	
	<u>Use in</u> <u>Last Year</u>	<u>Lifetime</u> <u>Use</u>	<u>Use in</u> <u>Last Year</u>	<u>Lifetime</u> <u>Use</u>
Hispanic or Latino	15%	37%	12%	35%
White	19%	55%	16%	55%
Black or African American	20%	46%	17%	46%
American Indian or Alaska Native	20%	52%	18%	51%
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	15%	43%	12%	44%
Asian	8%	22%	6%	20%
Two or More Races	31%	67%	27%	69%
Total	18%	49%	15%	49%

Source: University of Baltimore Schaefer Center; Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration

Source: Dept of Legislative Service, Racial Equity Impact Note, HB0001, 2022 Session,
[2022 Maryland Cannabis Use and Arrests by Race.pdf](#)

Maryland Marijuana Arrests by Race

Exhibit 3
Arrests for Marijuana Possession in Maryland by Race
2020

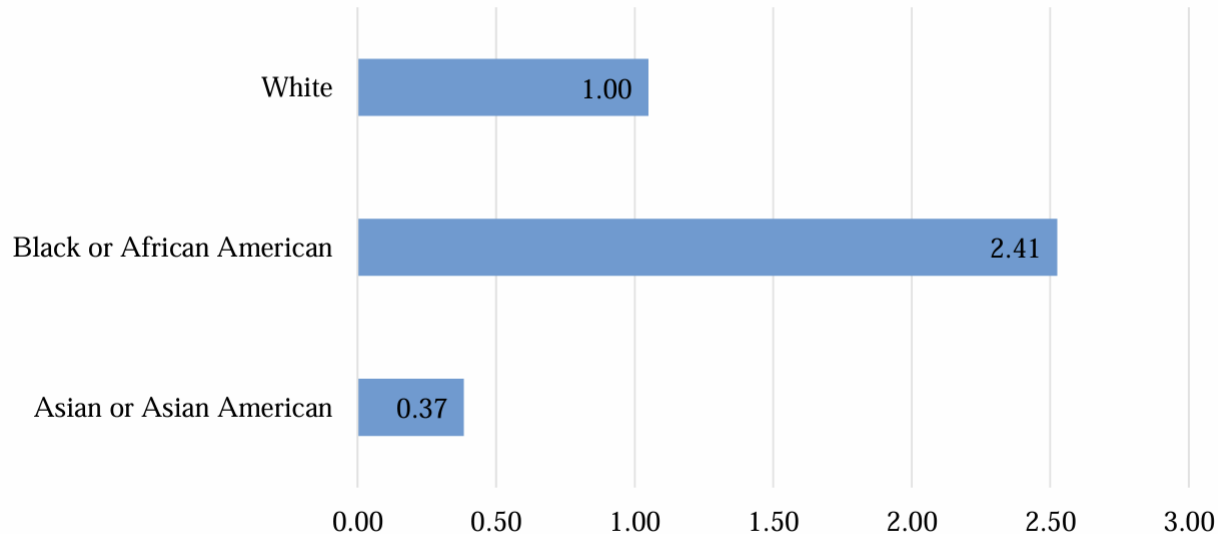


Source: FBI Uniform Crime Report (2021)

Source: Depart of Legislative Service, Racial Equity Impact Note, HB0001, 2022 Session, [2022 Maryland Cannabis Use and Arrests by Race.pdf](#)

Disparity in Maryland's Marijuana Arrests, 2020

Exhibit 6
Disparity Ratios
Arrests for Marijuana Possession in Maryland
2020

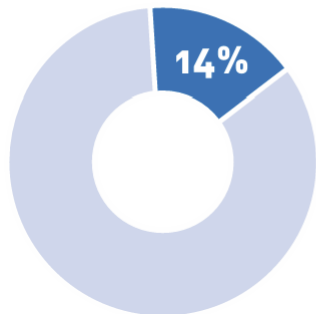


Source: Department of Legislative Services

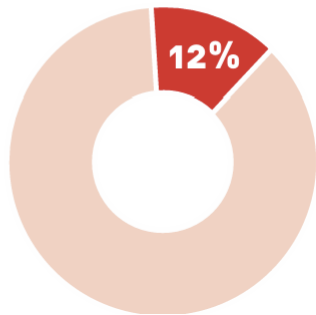
Source: Dept of Legislative Service, Racial Equity Impact Note, HB0001, 2022 Session, [2022 Maryland Cannabis Use and Arrests by Race.pdf](#)

ACLU Report on Disproportionate Marijuana Arrest in Maryland, 2001-2010

% of Blacks Who Used Marijuana in Prior Year



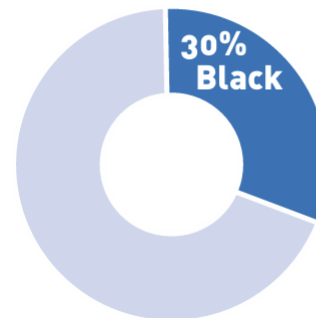
% of Whites Who Used Marijuana in Prior Year



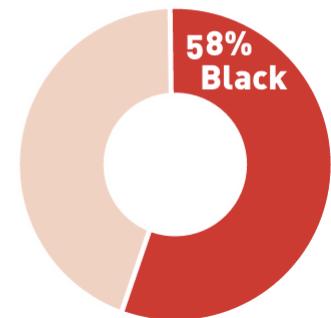
Research indicates that Blacks and Whites use Marijuana at about the same rate.

But in Maryland and Talbot County, between 2001-2010 Black people were arrested in disproportionate numbers.

Maryland's Population

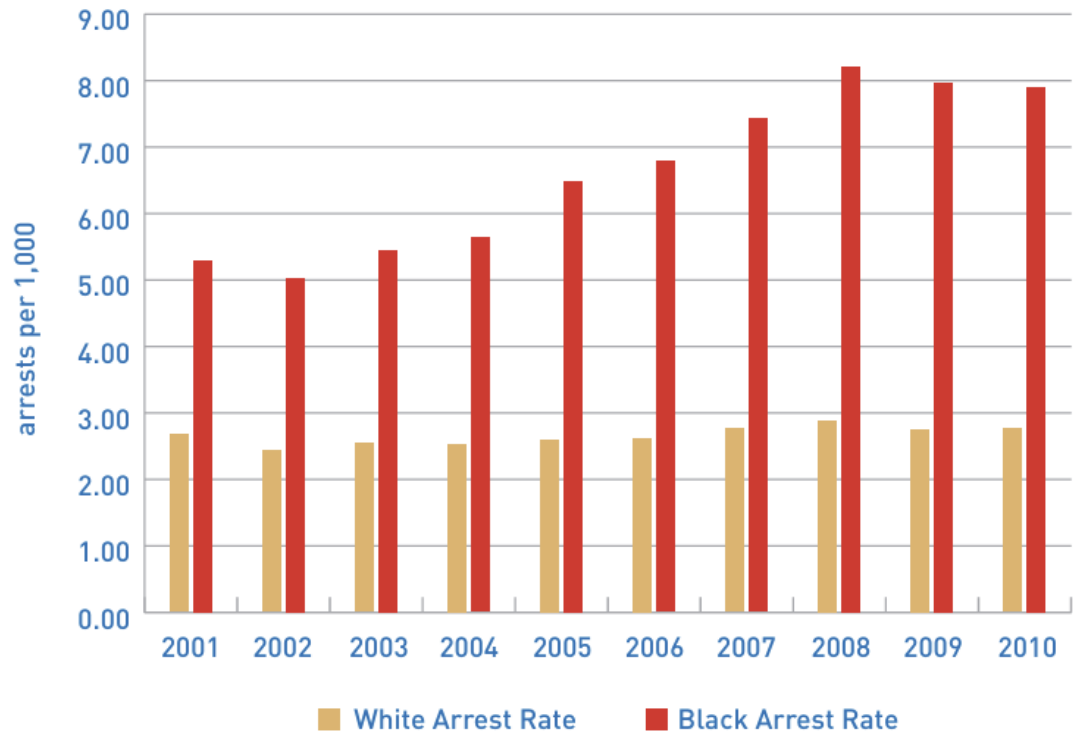


Marijuana Possession Arrests



In Talbot County, Black people were 3.35x more likely to be arrested for marijuana than White people

Maryland Marijuana Possession
Arrest Rates by Race 2001–2010



Source: The Maryland War on Marijuana in Black and White, October 2013, ACLU of Maryland

Talbot County

- Talbot had one of the highest Black arrest rates for marijuana possession on the Eastern Shore. In 2010, Blacks were 13% of Talbot's population, but 34% of arrests for marijuana possession.
- Between 2001–2010, Talbot's White arrest rate decreased, while the Black arrest rate increased.
- Talbot also experienced one of the state's largest percentage increases in Latino population—a 213% increase. It is thus likely that the race disparities in Talbot are actually worse than the numbers already suggest.



Data Collection

Organized by:

- **Economic Security and Housing**
 - **Children, Youth and Opportunity**
 - **Health and Well-Being**
 - **Justice and Systems Involvement**
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Some of the information in this presentation describes populations and places specifically defined in CRRF law and regulation. Other information helps us understand economic, educational, health and social conditions in Talbot County.

We'll use both, but for different purposes.



Starting with Conditions

Not Programs

Condition

Something happening in the community that we want to change or improve.

Program / Strategy

Different ways of addressing a condition

First understand the condition.

Then consider which strategies are most likely to improve.

General Population Overview

AGE	NUMBER	PERCENT
Under 5	1,656	4.4%
0-17 years	7,045	18.6%
18 and older	30,872	81.4%
65 and older	11,210	29.6%
Total Pop	37,917	

HOUSEHOLDS (total 16,810)	
Average Family Size	2.87
Total Families	10,221
Male Householder, no spouse present	2,240
Female Householder, no spouse present	5,366
Household with children under 18	3,406
Grandparent, responsible for grandchildren	112

Source: US Census, American Community Survey (ACS), 2024 – 5-Year Estimate

General Population continued

RACE	NUMBER	PERCENT
Black	4,628	12.2%
Hispanic/Latino	3,650	9.6%
White	28,647	75.6%
American Indian	187	.5%
Asian	528	1.4%
Native Hawaiian or PI	19	.1
Two or more	2,895	7.6%
Some Other Race	3,145	8.3%

Source: US Census, ACS, 2024 – 5-year estimate

Economic Security And Housing

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Individuals Below Poverty

Race and Ethnicity	2020		2021		2022		2023		2024	
All ages	Tal	MD	Tal	MD	Tal	MD	Tal	MD	Tal	MD
Black	14.1%	13%	13.5%	13%	16.8%	13.2%	22.5%	13%	16.5%	12.6%
Two or More Races	18%	10.5%	18.8%	10.8%	17.2%	9.7%	14.4%	9.9%	11.2%	9%
Hispanic	18.1%	12%	12.9%	12.5%	13.9%	12.6%	8.9%	12.3%	6.8%	11.9%
White	6.6%	6.5%	6.2%	6.4%	7.4%	6.8%	8%	6.5%	8.2%	6.1%

Source: US Census, ACS, 5-year Estimates 2024 – Most recent

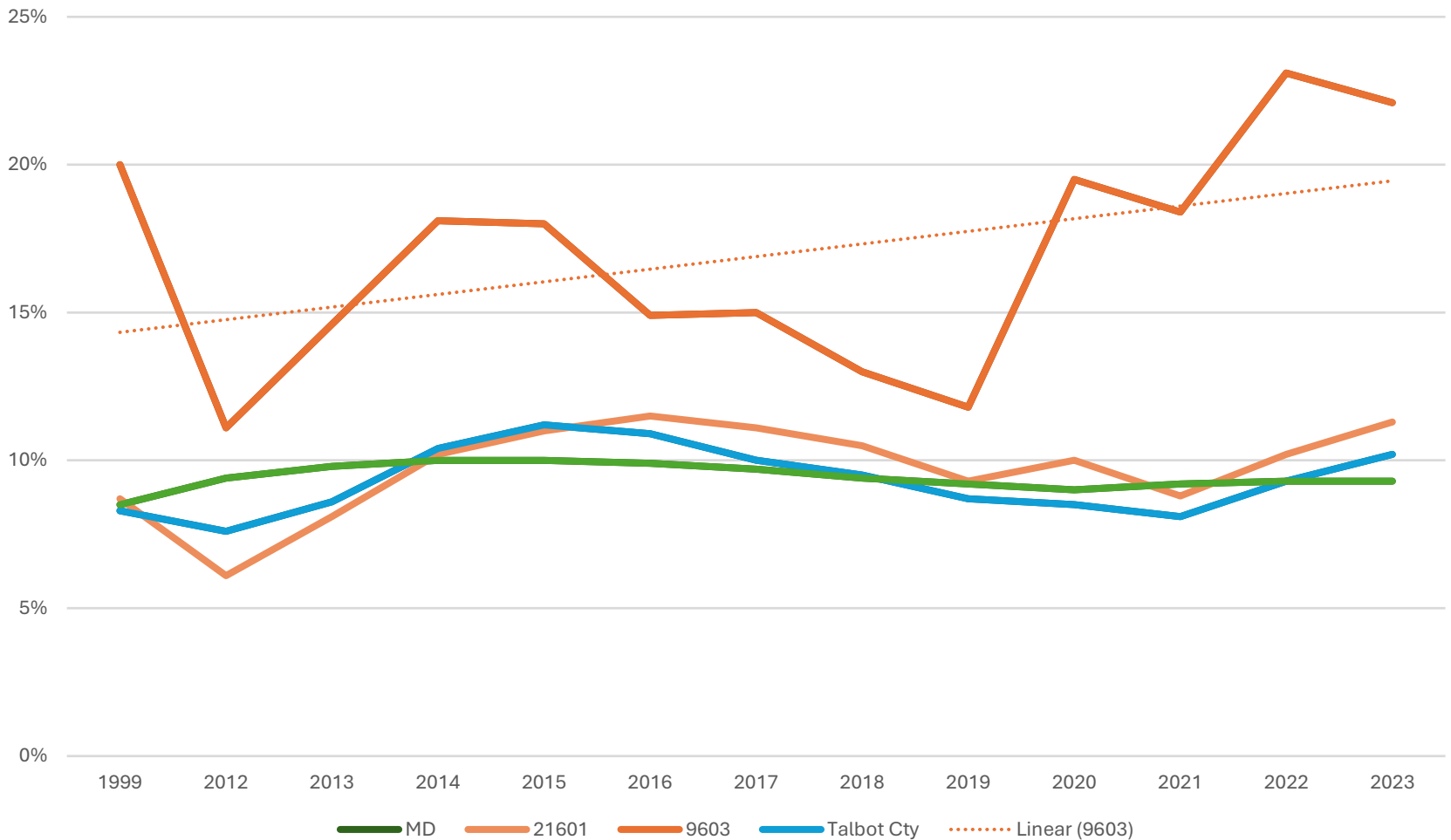
- 1,603 Households below poverty/16,433 Total Households
- 9.8% of Talbot County Households are below the poverty level.

Source: US Census, ACS, 5-year Estimates, 2023, Most recent

B17017, Family & Non-family HH < Poverty Level

Talbot County Maryland Census Tract 9603 - Poverty Status in Past 12 months

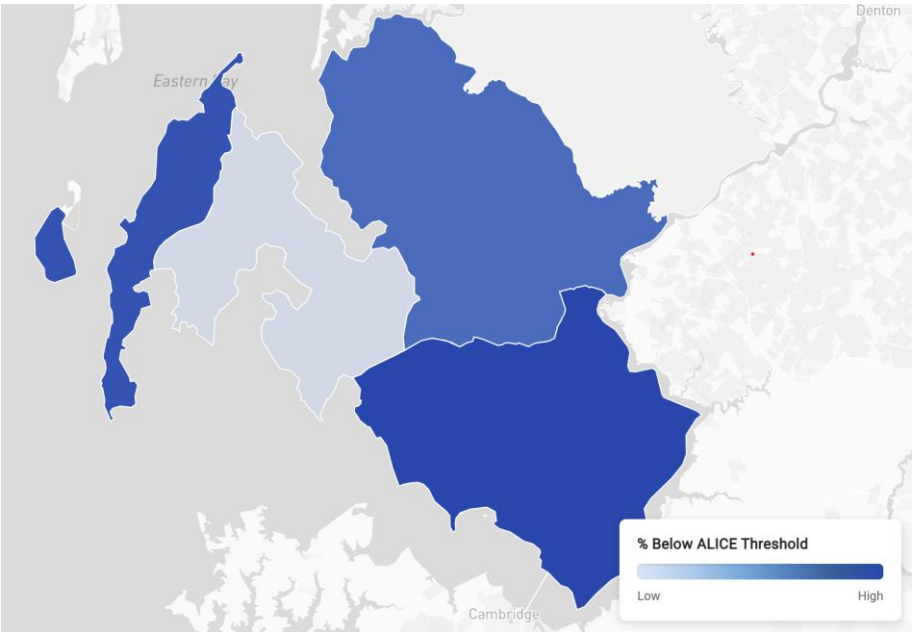
American Community Survey 5 year estimates



Talbot Median Household Income



Source: US Census, ACS, 2024, 5-year Estimate, Most recent



ALICE Households

(Asset Limited, Income
Constrained, Employed)

Includes both ALICE
Households and Poverty-
level Households

Note: ALICE is NOT the CRRF low-income eligibility standard. It is included here as an indicator of economic challenges and financial stability in Talbot County.

Talbot County, Maryland, 2024		
Census County Subdivisions	Total Households	% Below ALICE Threshold
District 1, Easton, Talbot County, Maryland	9,744	42%
District 2, St. Michaels, Talbot County, Maryland	2,564	33%
District 3, Trappe, Talbot County, Maryland	1,809	45%
District 4, Chapel, Talbot County, Maryland	1,351	31%
District 5, Bay Hundred, Talbot County, Maryland	965	44%

Source: Census Bureau, ACS, 2024 and ALICE Threshold, 2024

Household Survival Budget, Talbot County, Maryland, 2023

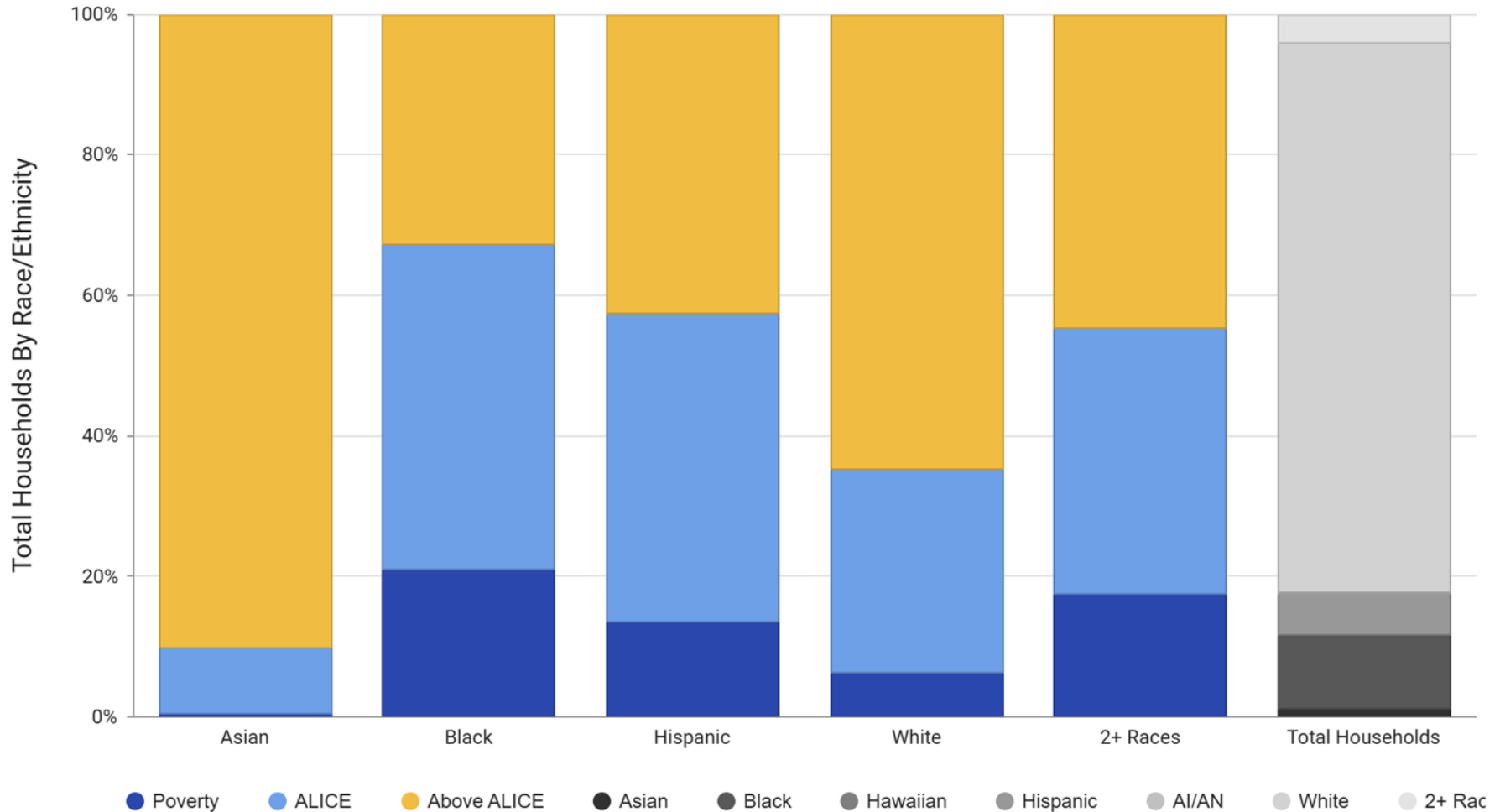
Monthly Costs	Single Adult	One Adult, One Child	One Adult, One In Child Care	Two Adults	Two Adults Two Children	Two Adults, Two In Child Care	Single Adult 65+	Two Adults 65+
Housing	\$1,114	\$1,169	\$1,169	\$1,169	\$1,321	\$1,321	\$1,114	\$1,169
Child Care	\$0	\$215	\$573	\$0	\$430	\$1,286	\$0	\$0
Food	\$544	\$920	\$826	\$997	\$1,673	\$1,477	\$500	\$918
Transportation	\$436	\$570	\$570	\$676	\$963	\$963	\$366	\$535
Health Care	\$218	\$513	\$513	\$513	\$850	\$850	\$609	\$1,218
Technology	\$86	\$86	\$86	\$116	\$116	\$116	\$86	\$116
Miscellaneous	\$240	\$347	\$374	\$347	\$535	\$601	\$268	\$396
Taxes	\$523	\$539	\$610	\$666	\$767	\$947	\$605	\$982
Monthly Total	\$3,161	\$4,359	\$4,721	\$4,484	\$6,655	\$7,561	\$3,548	\$5,334
ANNUAL TOTAL	\$37,932	\$52,308	\$56,652	\$53,808	\$79,860	\$90,732	\$42,576	\$64,008
Hourly Wage	\$18.97	\$26.15	\$28.33	\$26.90	\$39.93	\$45.37	\$21.29	\$32.00

Data Source: Maryland | UnitedForALICE Most recent - 2023

The Household Survival Budget for one adult and one child in child care is \$52,308 and is equal to 256% of the Federal Poverty Level for a family of 2.

Household Income Status by Race

Households by Race/Ethnicity, Talbot County, Maryland, 2023



Data Source: [Maryland | UnitedForALICE](#), most recent - 2023

Unemployment

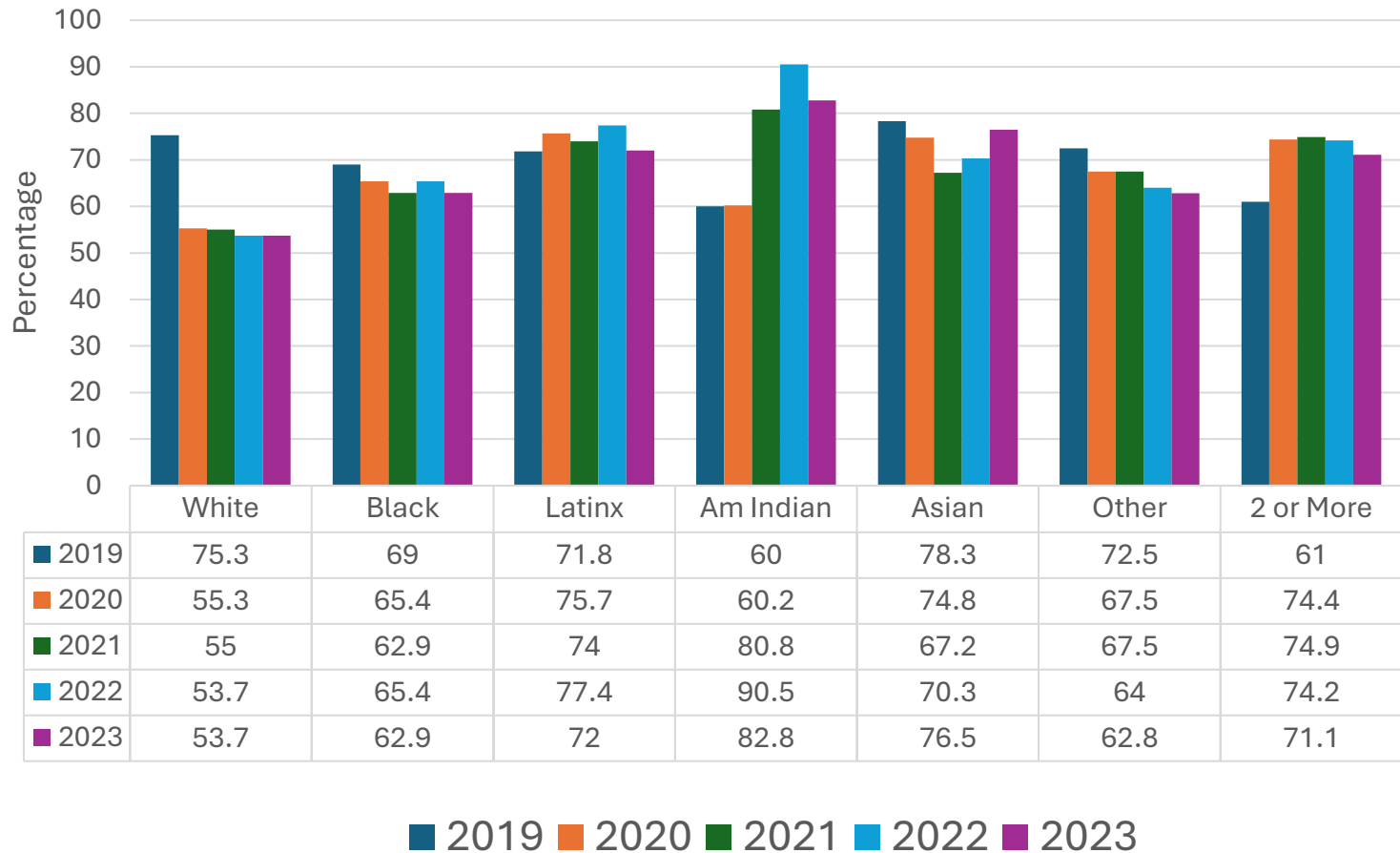
Race Talbot	Unemployment Rate						
(All Ages)	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
White	3.8%	2.8%	2.5%	2.4	3.2%	3.1%	3.6%
Black	7.1%	4.6%	7.9%	4.3	5.1%	4.7%	6.6%
Two or More	18%	12.1%	10.7%	9.5	7.9%	1.4%	.8%
Latino	.9%	1.1%	1.2%	1.3	2.5%	4.1%	2%
Other	4.3%	3.8%	0%	0%	0%	2.6%	4.5

Most recent Data: August 2025 – Talbot 4%, Maryland 4.3% - MD Depart of Labor, 10/2025

Talbot County Census data from **2023** shows **17.7%** of individuals employed part-time lived below the poverty level, while only **1%** of individuals employed full-time were considered below poverty level. This trend is reflected across the country.

Source: US Census Bureau, ACS, 2023, 5 yr Estimates, Employment – most recent

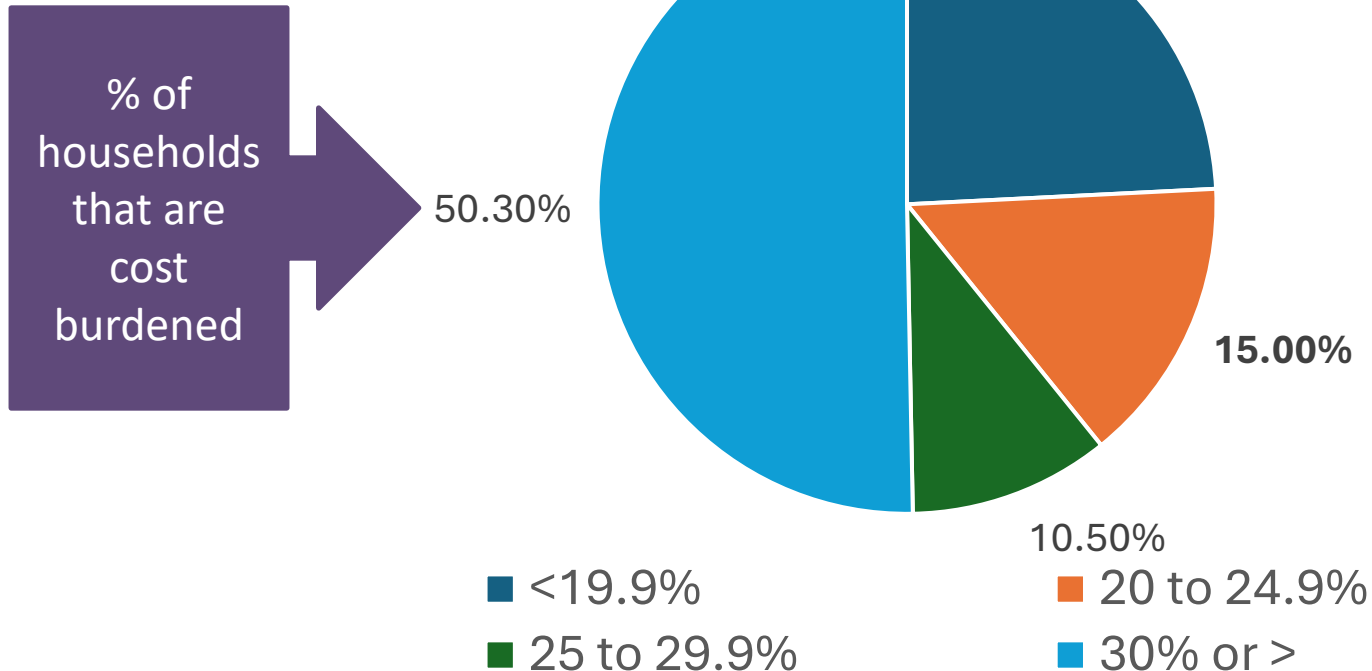
Labor Force Participation Age 16 and Over, by Race



Source: US Census, ACS, 2023, 5-year estimates

Talbot County Housing

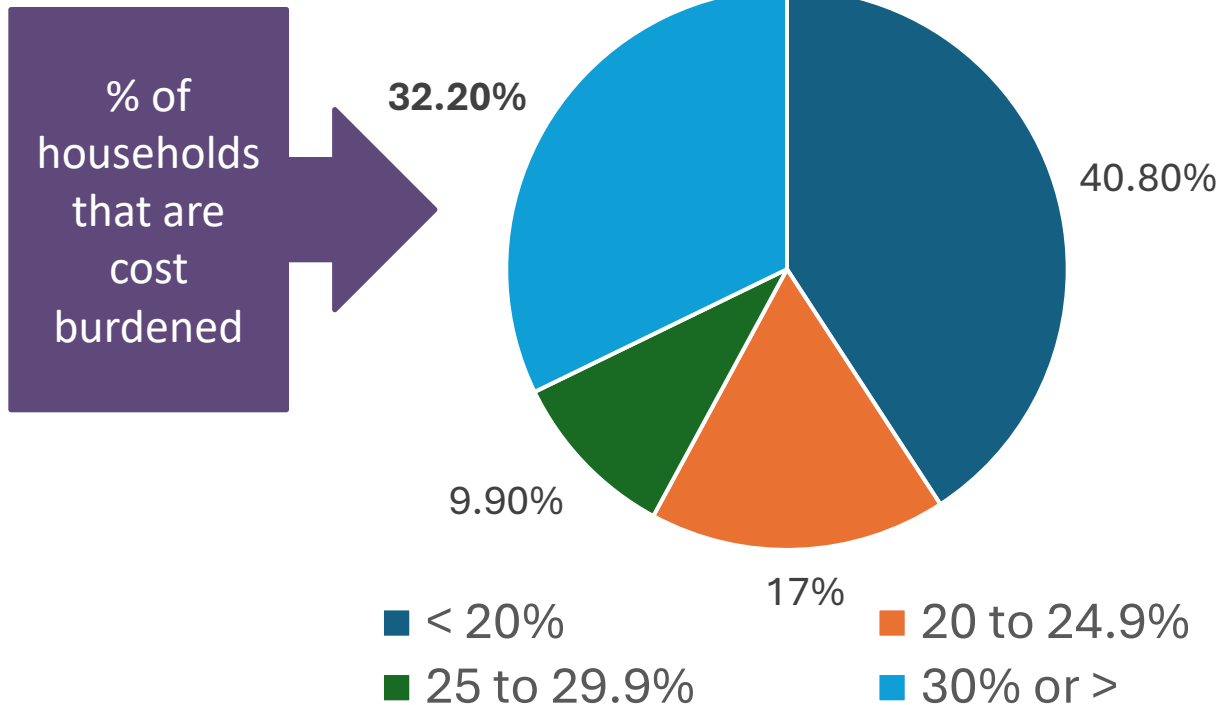
% of Income Spent on Rental Housing



Source: US Census, 2023 ACS, DP04 Selected Housing Characteristics, 5-year Estimate, most recent

Talbot County Housing

% of income spent on selected monthly owner costs



NOTE:
This includes all costs associated with owning a home – mortgage, second mortgage, insurance, utilities, etc.

Owner Occupied Homes by Race

Race	Number	% of Home Owners	% of Talbot Population
American Indian	26	.2%	.6%
Asian	159	1.3%	1.3%
Black	823	7%	12%
Two or More Races	348	3%	7.4%
Other	89	.7%	3%
White	10,339	87.7%	75.7%
Hispanic	399	3.4%	9.1%

Total Owner-Occupied Homes = 11,784

Source: US Census, American Community Survey (B25003), 2023, 5-year Estimate

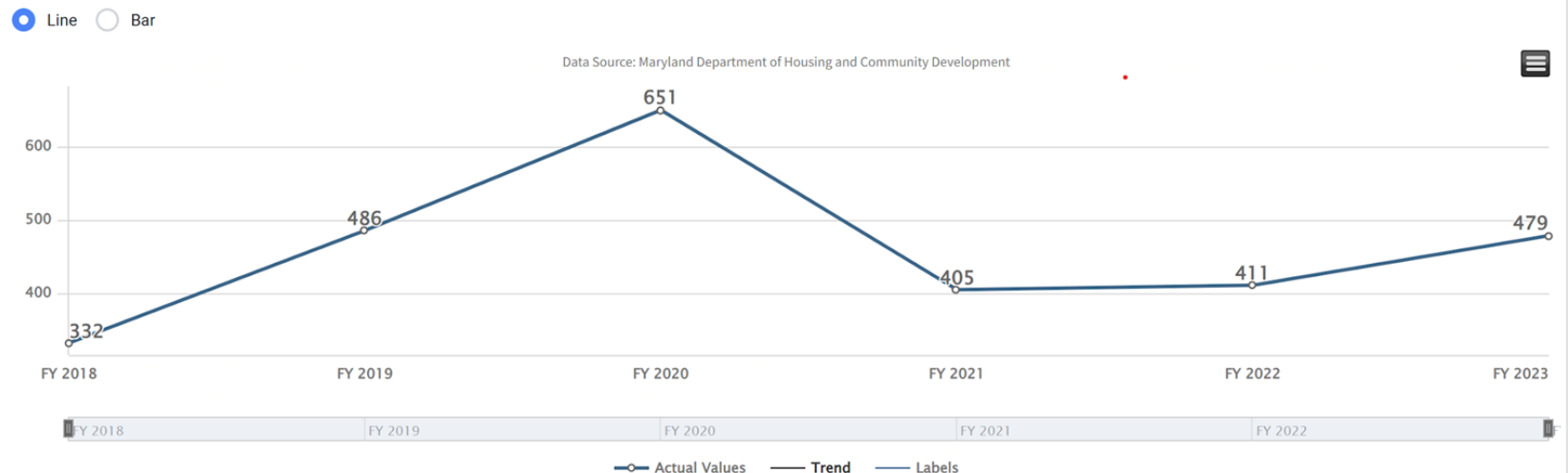
Homeless Services by Region

In FY 25, 108 individuals in Talbot County used homelessness services.

Source: MSBH, October 2025

individuals provided with homelessness services (all types of services) by Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development (DHCD) - Mid Shore

Current Value
479
FY 2023

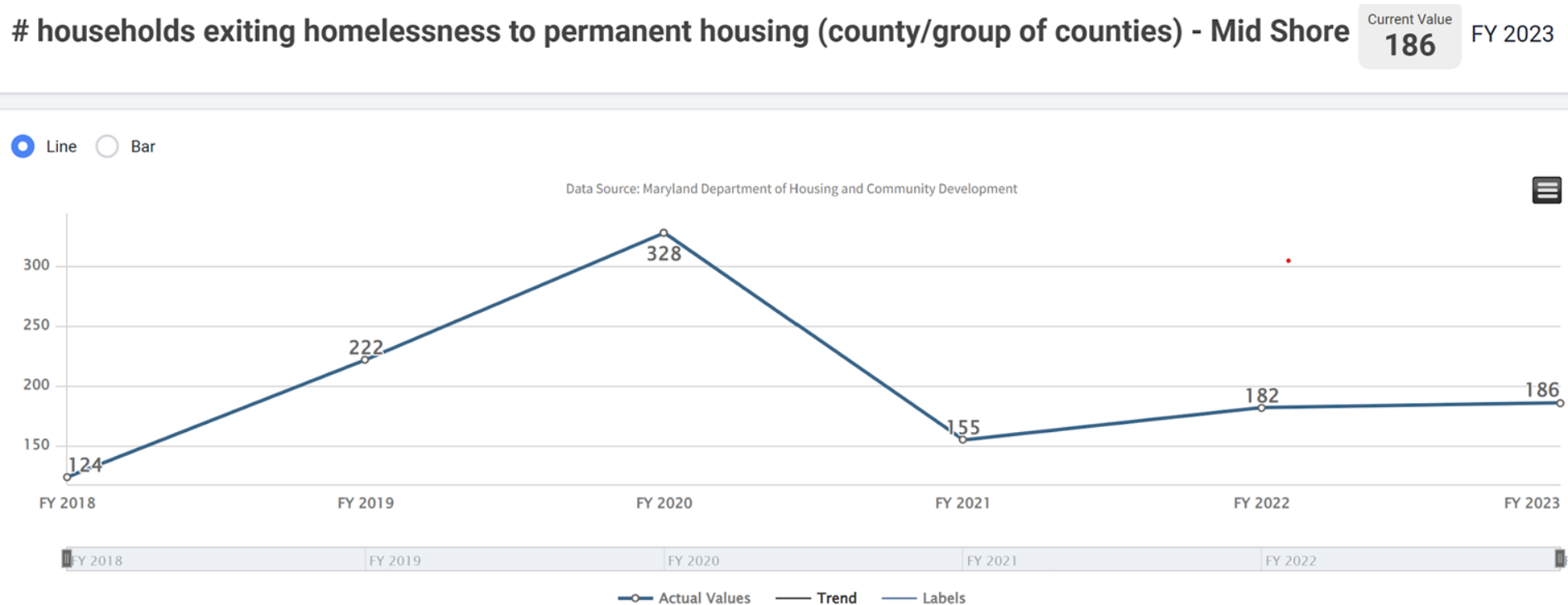


Source: ENOUGH Data Dashboard, GOC, Most recent

Homeless Services by Region

In FY 25, 11 households (22 individuals) exited homelessness in Talbot County.

Source: MSBH, October 2025



Source: ENOUGH Data Dashboard, GOC, Most recent

Children, Youth and Opportunity

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Licensed Child Care Slots

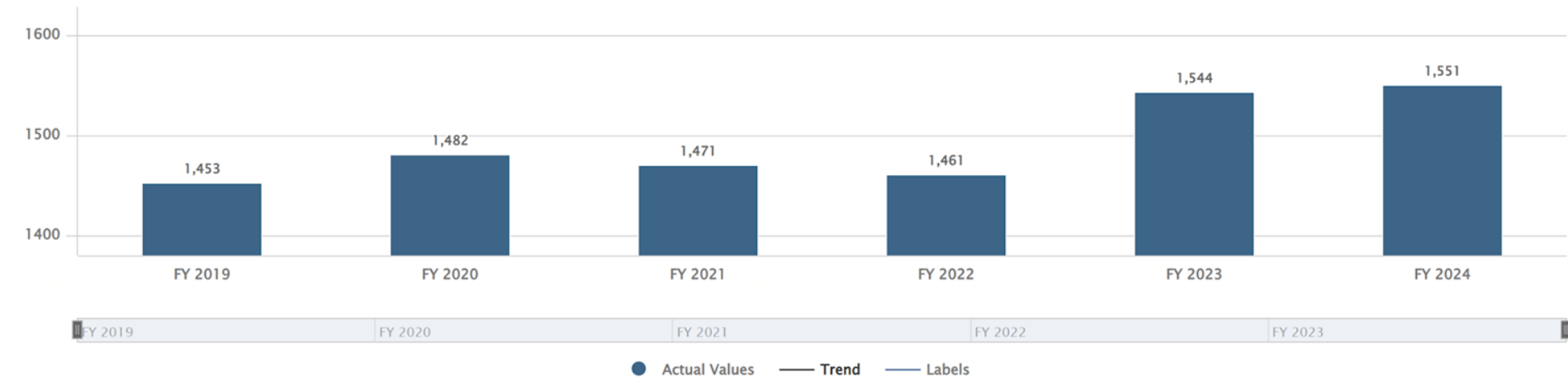
maximum available slots with child care providers (county)

Current Value
1,551 FY 2024

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maximum available slots with child care providers (county)

Data Source: Maryland State Department of Education



Source: MD State Department of Education/GOC

MD Childcare Scholarship

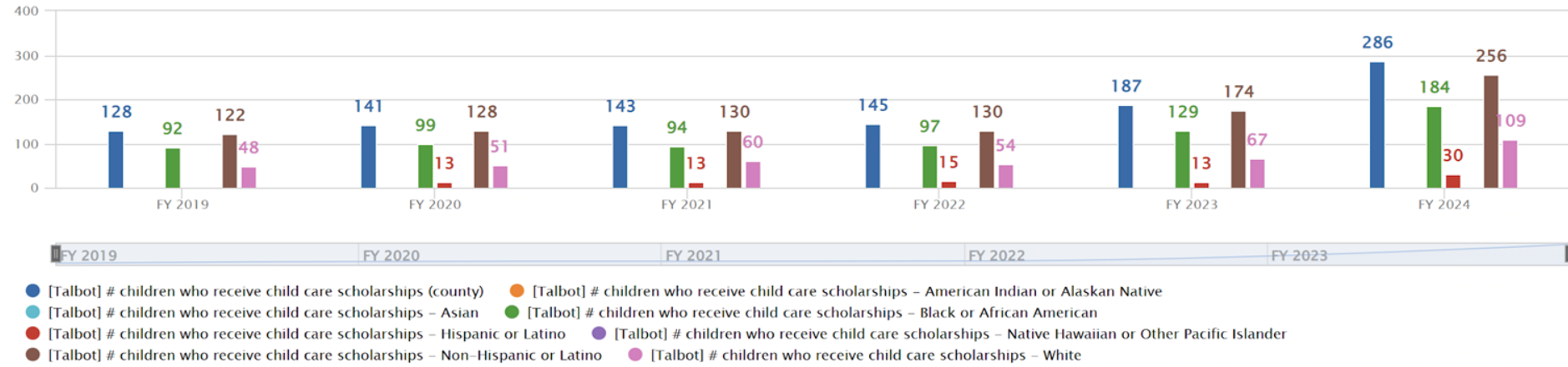
children who receive child care scholarships (county)

Current Value
286 FY 2024

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children who receive child care scholarships (county) - Comparison

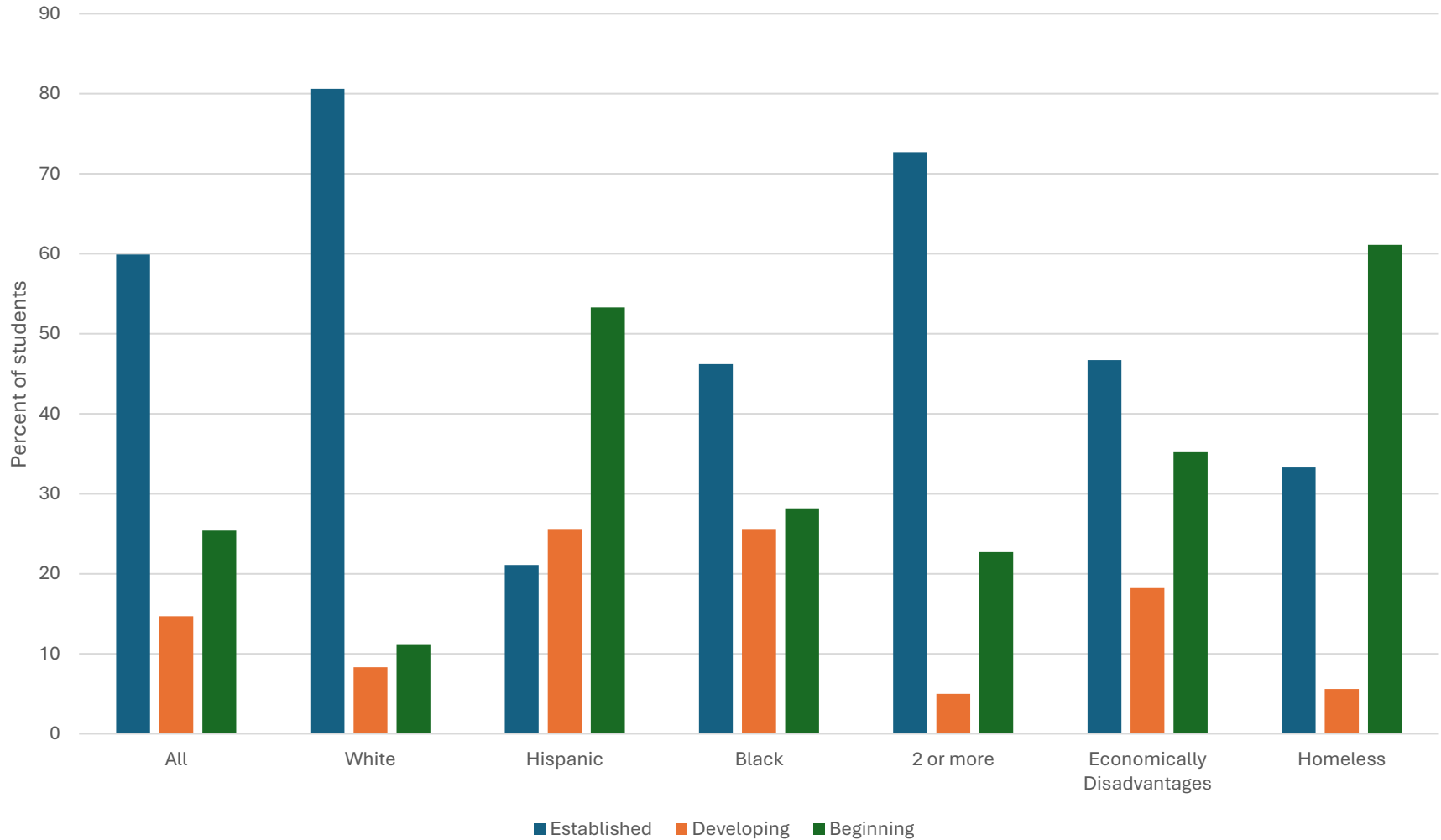
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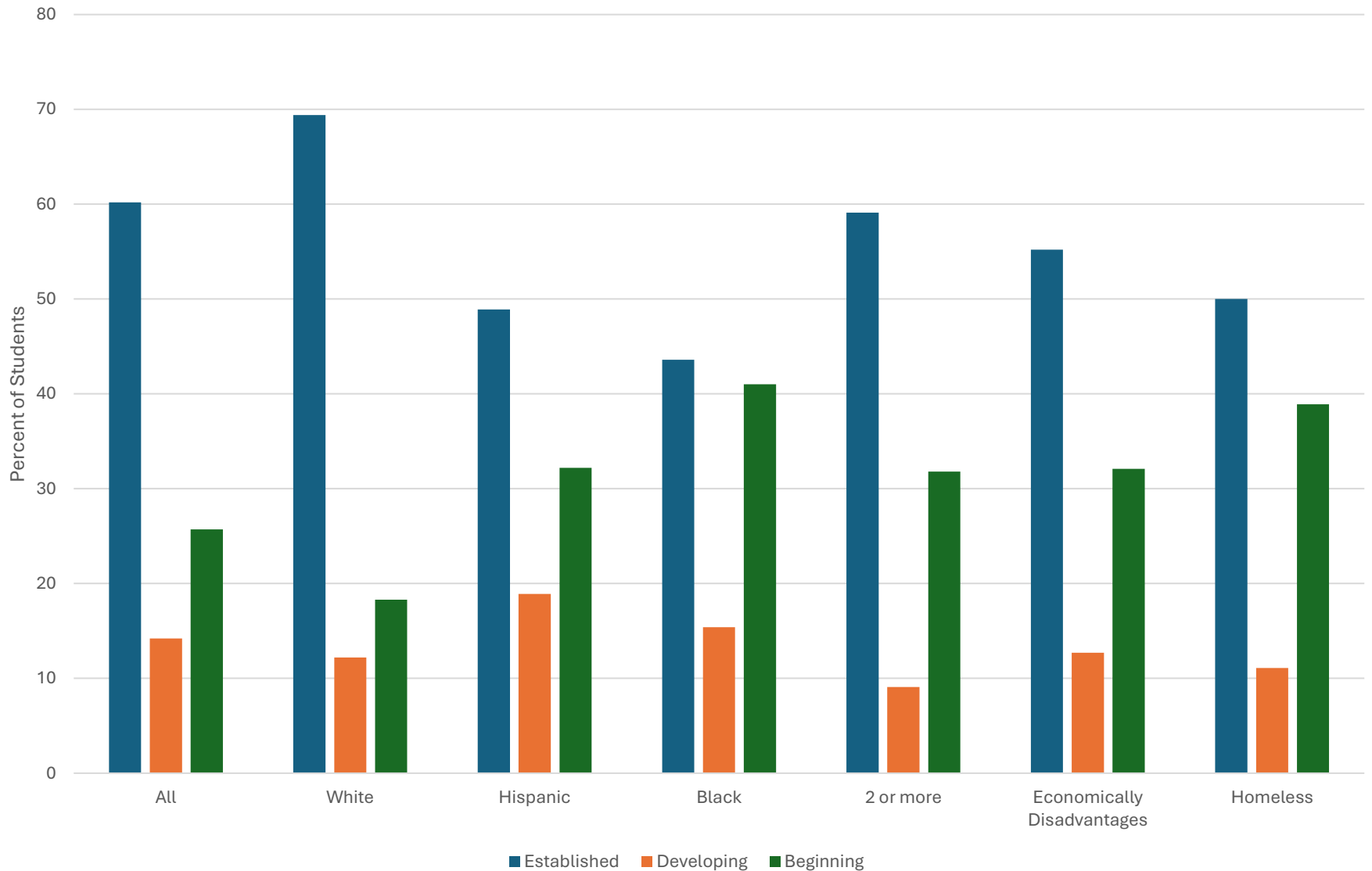
Source: MD State Department of Education/GOC

SY26 New Kindergarten Readiness Assessment

Early Literacy English



SY 26 New Kindergarten Readiness Assessment Math



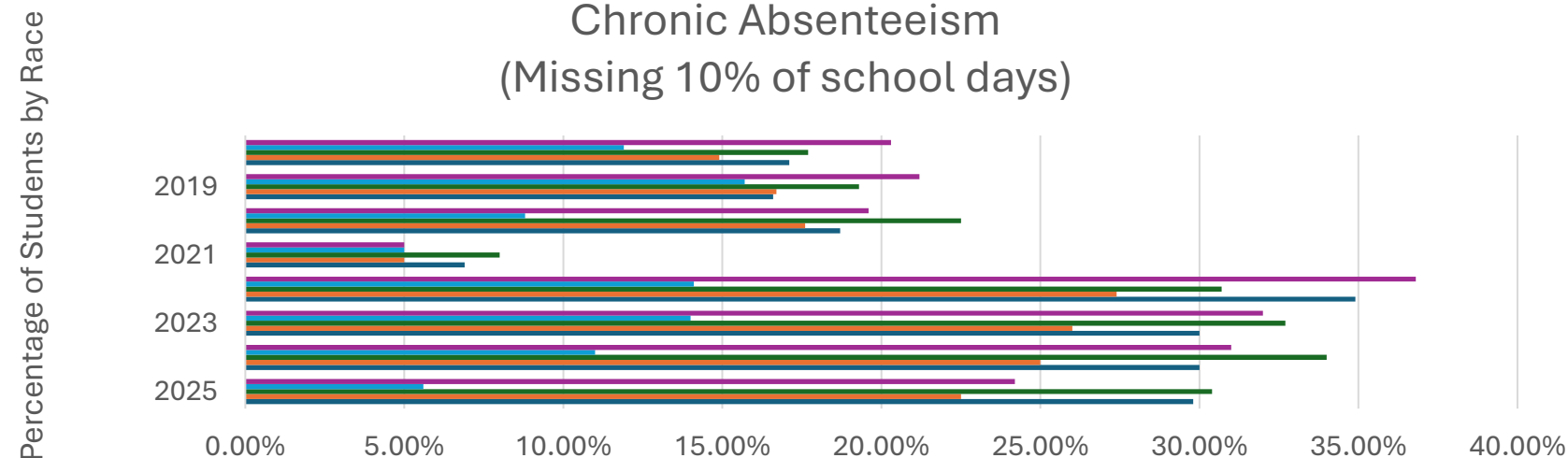
% of Children, by Race, Enrolled in Publicly Funded Pre-K the Year Prior to Kindergarten

Kindergarten Students	SY 2023	SY 2024	SY 2025
All	77.6%	81.97%	80.7%
Black	59.1%	78.1%	72.7%
Hispanic	79.79%	78.8%	86.1%
Other	77.8%	78.95%	83.9%
White	80.11%	84.47%	78.9%

Source: TCPS, October 2025

School Attendance

Chronic Absenteeism
(Missing 10% of school days)



	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
2 or more races	24.20%	31.00%	32.00%	36.80%	5.00%	19.60%	21.20%	20.30%
Asian	5.60%	11.00%	14.00%	14.10%	5.00%	8.80%	15.70%	11.90%
Hispanic	30.40%	34.00%	32.70%	30.70%	8.00%	22.50%	19.30%	17.70%
White	22.50%	25.00%	26.00%	27.40%	5.00%	17.60%	16.70%	14.90%
Black	29.80%	30.00%	30.00%	34.90%	6.90%	18.70%	16.60%	17.10%

■ 2 or more races
 ■ Asian
 ■ Hispanic
 ■ White
 ■ Black

5% in 2021 indicates at or below 5%

Source: MSDE Report Card and TCPS, most recent 2025

School Attendance

Chronic Absenteeism (Missing 10% or > of school days)

Student Population	% Chronically Absent by race	% of Race in total TCPS Population
Black	17% (210/1,200)	15% (705/4,693)
Hispanic / Latino	33% (398/1,200)	28% (1,311/4,693)
White	43% (515/1,200)	49% (2,288/4,693)
Asian	.4% (5/1,200)	2% (90/4,693)
2 or more races	6% (72/1,200)	6% (298/4,693)

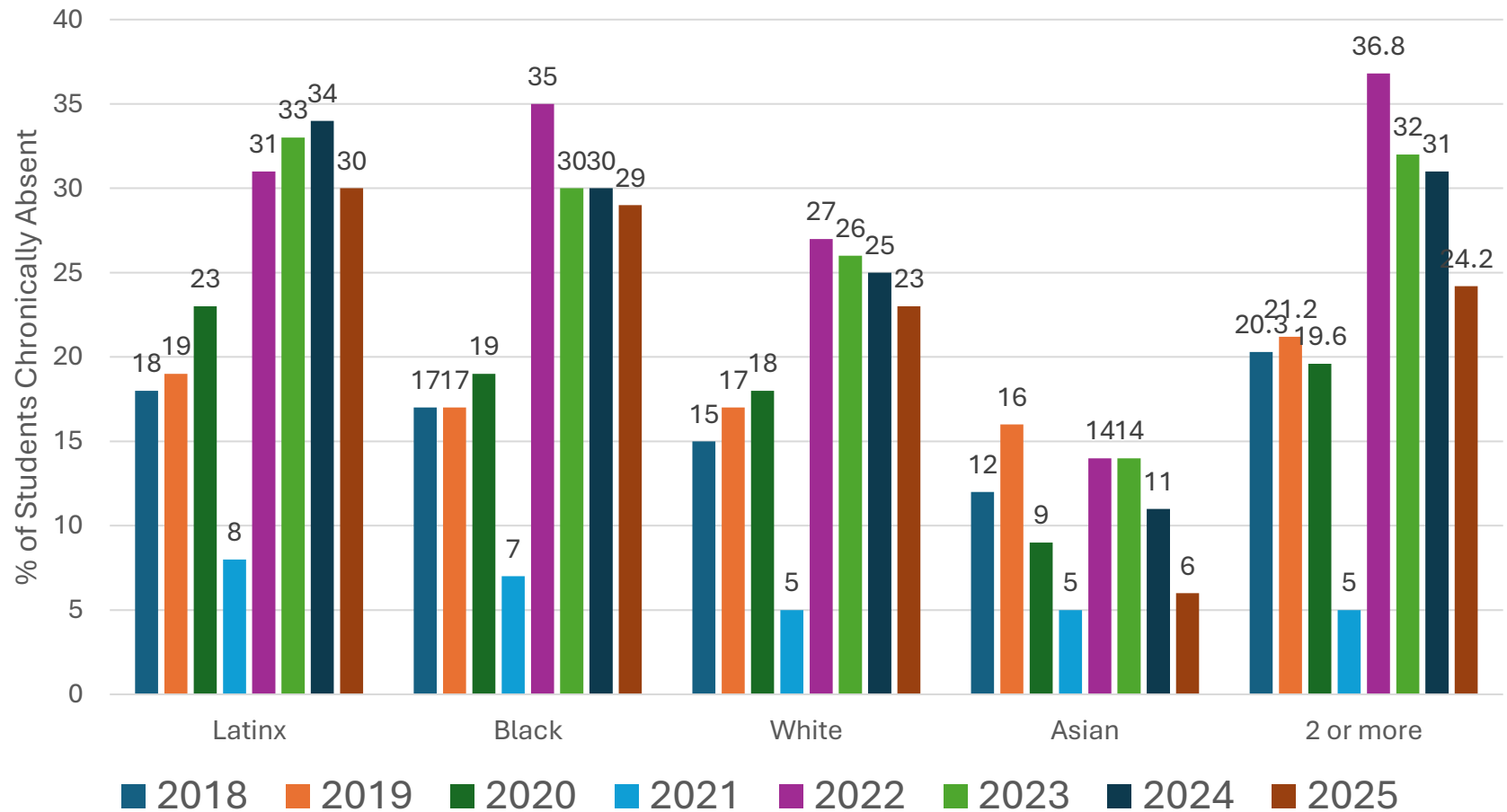
Total Chronically Absent by School Year (SY)

Source: TCPS, unofficial, 2025

SY 22 =1,305 SY 23 =1,250 SY 24 =1,263 **SY 25=1,200=26% of all students**

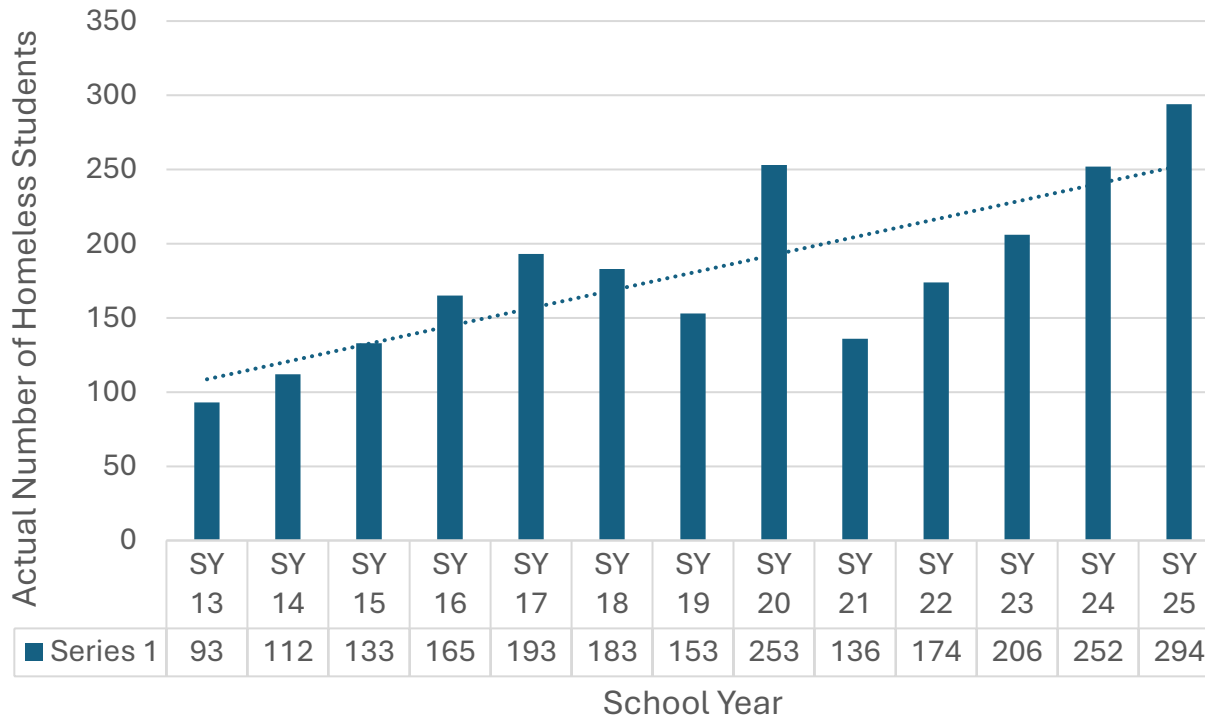
SY 25 Elementary = 460 (20%) Middle =230 (25%) High =511 (34%)

Chronically Absent Students by Race



Source: MSDE Report Card and TCPS, most recent 2025

Number of Homeless Student TCPS



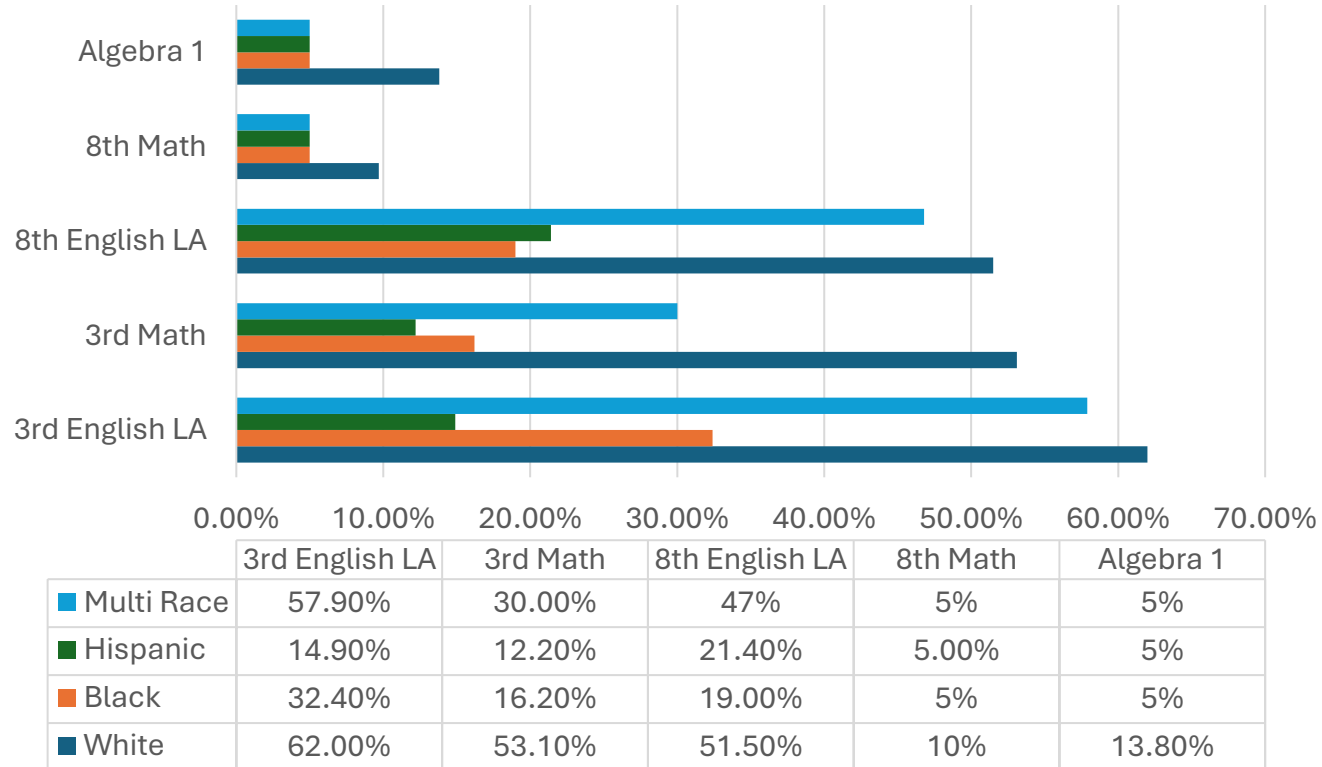
2020/21 – 3% of total TCPS population. Percent by race of total homeless Hispanic- 59%, AA – 18%, White 19%, Multi-race – 4%

2021/22 – 3.8% of total TCPS population. Percent by race of total homeless Hispanic- 67.8%, AA-10.9%, White- 14.9%, Multi-race -6.3%

2023/24 – 5.6% of total TCPS population. Percent by race of total homeless Hispanic- 66%, AA- 17%, White – 12.7%, Multi-race – 4%

2024/25 – 6.26% of total TCPS population. Percent by race of total homeless Hispanic – 64%, Asian - .3%, Black -17%, White -12%, Multi-race – 6%

2025 MCAP 3rd and 8th Grade and Algebra 1, by Race



Multi Race Hispanic Black White

NOTE: 5% = Equal or less than 5%

Source: MSDE Report Card, 2025

MSDE Report Card on Graduation

Graduation rate (H)	ADJUSTED COHORT GRADUATION RATE					
	FOUR-YEAR			FIVE-YEAR		
	PERCENT	ANNUAL TARGET	IMPROVEMENT	PERCENT	ANNUAL TARGET	IMPROVEMENT
All Students	97.35%	✓	✗	97.94%	✓	✗
Black/African Amer.	97.44%	✓	✓	97.44%	✓	✓
Hispanic/Latino	98.41%	✓	✓	98.41%	✓	✗
White	97.13%	✓	✗	98.10%	✓	✗
Econ. Disadvantaged	96.48%	✓	✓	96.53%	✓	✗

Footnote: Only student groups with 30 or more students are reported. Student groups include the following: American Indian/Alaskan Native, Asian, Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander, Black/African American, Hispanic/Latino of any Race, White, Two or More Races, Economically Disadvantaged, Students with Disabilities, and Multilingual Learners. ✓ =Met ✗ =Not Met

Both the 4-year and 5-year cohort graduation rates for a given year's school report card use lagged rates (i.e., cohort graduation rates from the prior year) to measure performance.

Source: MSDE Report Card, Most recent SY 2024-25

4-Year Cohort Graduation Rates

	2025	2024	2023	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018	2017
Talbot County	99.33%	98%	97.7%	97.3%	96.3%	95.5%	93.9%	93.9%	87.1%
Black	98.05%	100%	95.9%	95.4%	93.6%	95.5%	94.7%	84.9%	87.2%
Latinx	99.4%	98.8%	95.9%	97.3%	91.2%	86%	75.9%	84.8%	61.4%
White	99.65%	97.6%	98%	99%	98.6%	97.5%	97.6%	>95%	92.9%
FARMS	98.75%	97.4%	96.7%	94.3%	94.7%	92.1%	87%	88.4%	77.5%



Source: Talbot County Public Schools, preliminary 9/25

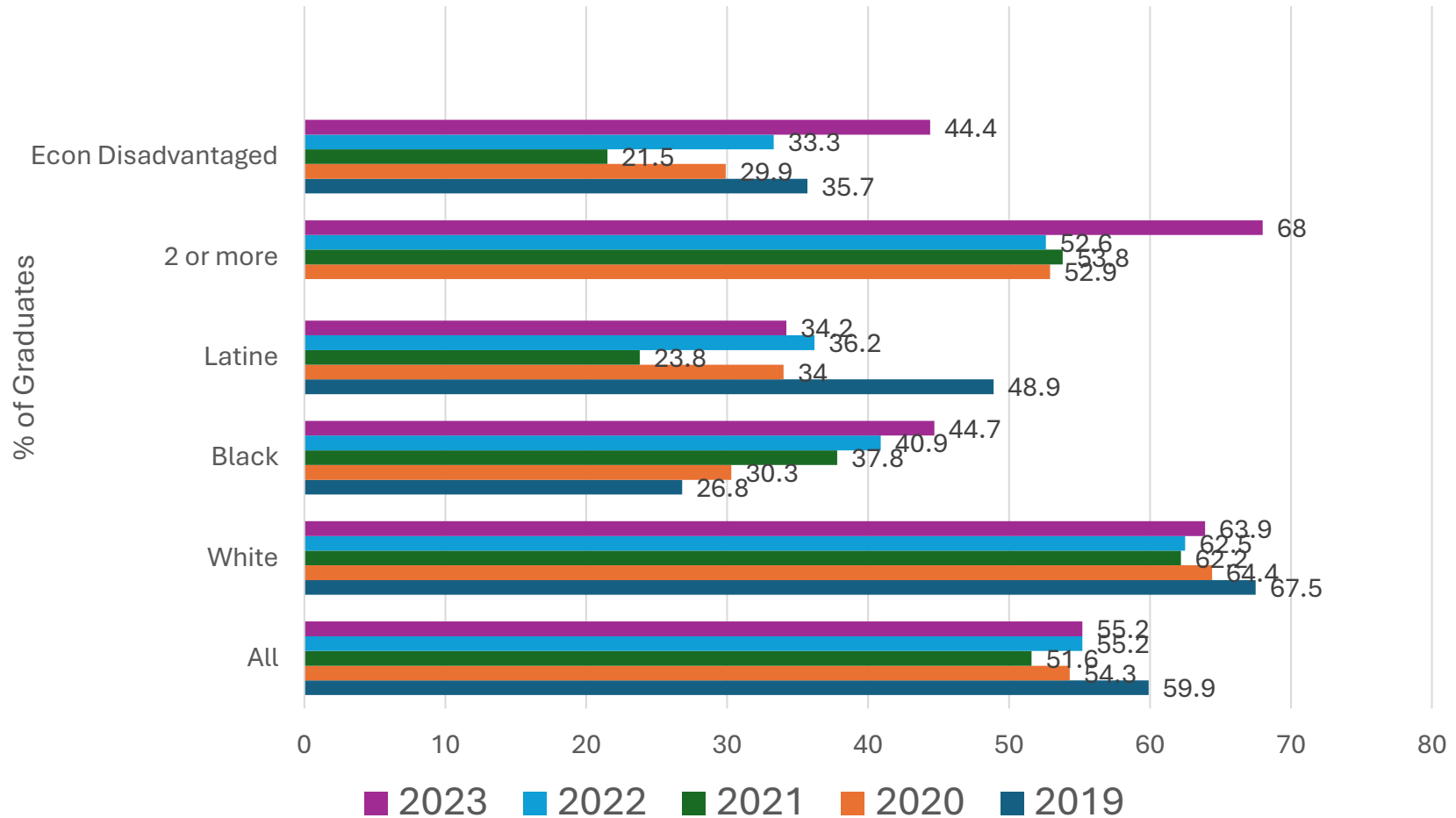
High School Dropout Rate

Talbot Dropout Data by Subgroup

Subgroup	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025
Hispanic/ Latino	35.1% (20)	10.9% (5)	20.7% (12)	1.4% (1)	7.4% (5)	3.2% (2)	0%	0%	0%
White			1% (2)	0%	0%	0%	.51% (1)	.98% (2)	0%
Two or +			0%	6.7% (1)	6.7% (1)	0%	0%	6.25% (1)	0%
Black			1.8% (1)	1.5% (1)	2.1% (1)	0%	2% (1)	0%	0%
Limited English Proficient	63.3% (19)	45.5% (5)	35.3% (12)	3.8% (1)	18.5% (5)	6.5% (2)	0%	0%	0%
FARMS	19.4% (25)	8.9% (10)	9.2% (12)	1.1% (3)	3% (4)	.7% (1)	1.1% (2)	.57% (1)	0%

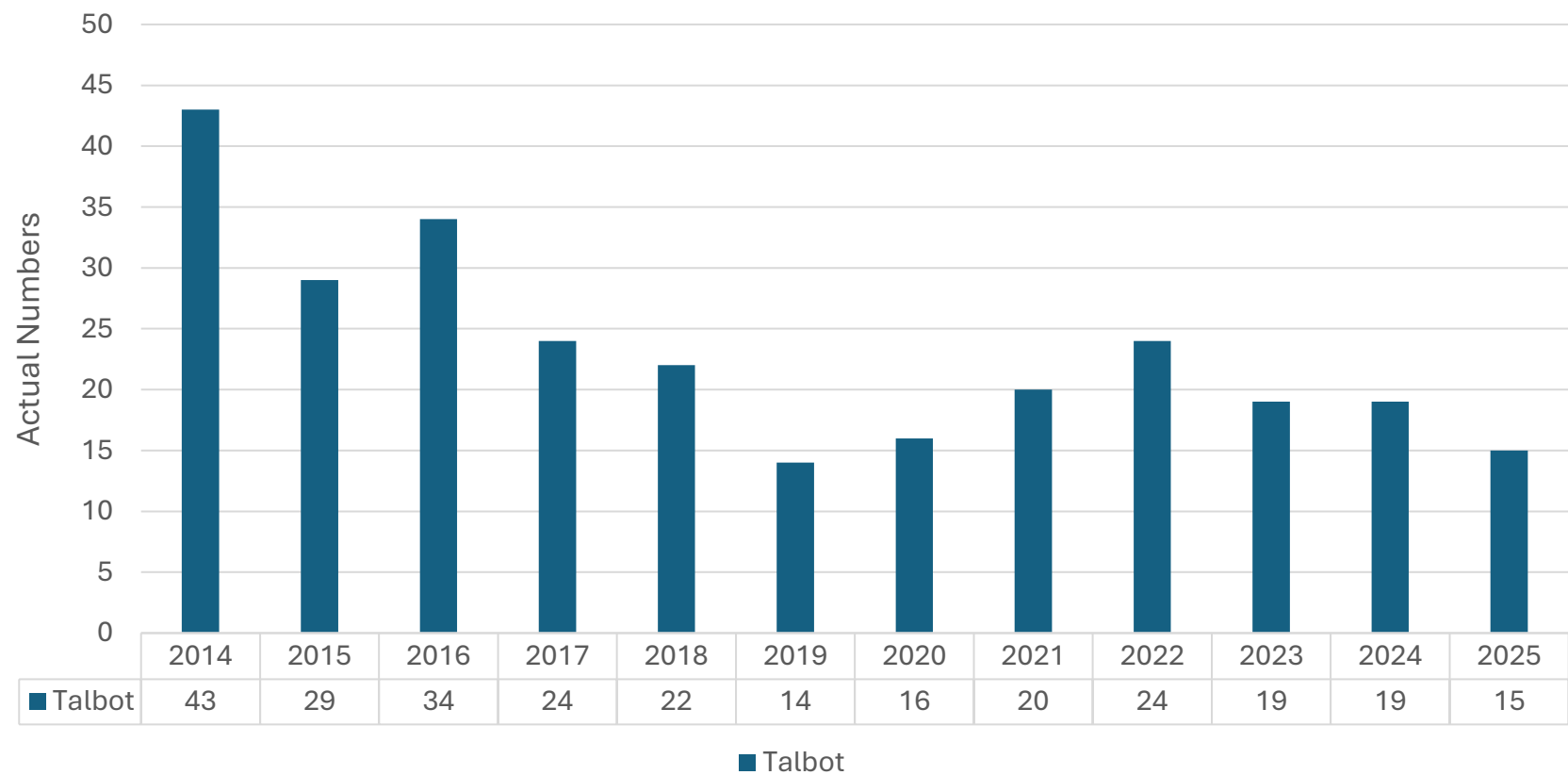
Source: TCPS. Unofficial data provided by TCPS, 9/25

% High School Graduates Enrolling in Post Secondary within 12 Months of Graduating



Source: MSDE Report Card, Post Secondary Outcomes, 2023, Most recent

Indicator: Out-of-Home Placement



YEAR	White	Black	Multi-Race	Latine	Asian
2021	10	10			
2022	10	5	8		1
2023	5	3	8	2	1
2024	6	6	6	1	
2025	5	3	4	2	

Source: Talbot County
Department of Social Services

Health and Basic Well-Being

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Food Insecurity by Race

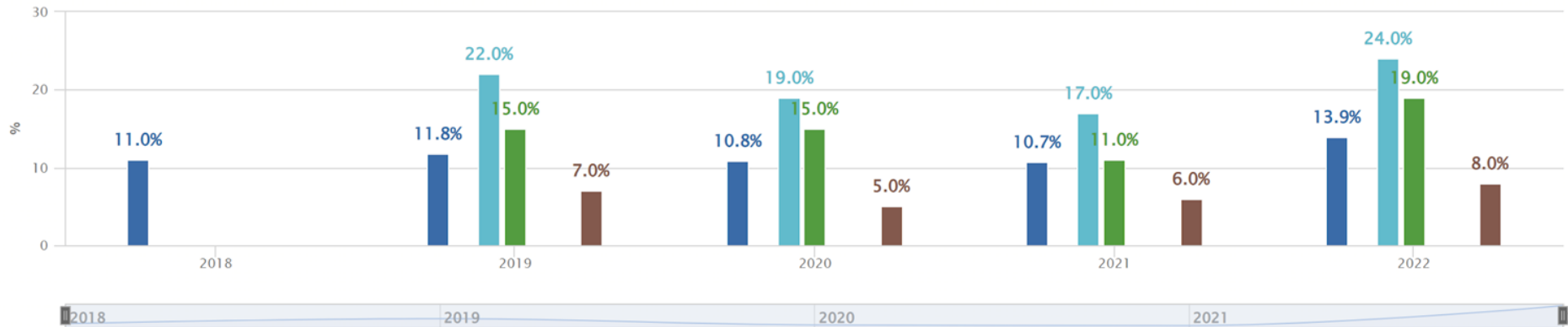
Food insecurity rate (county)

Current Value
13.9% 2022

☐ Line ☒ Bar ☒ Comparison

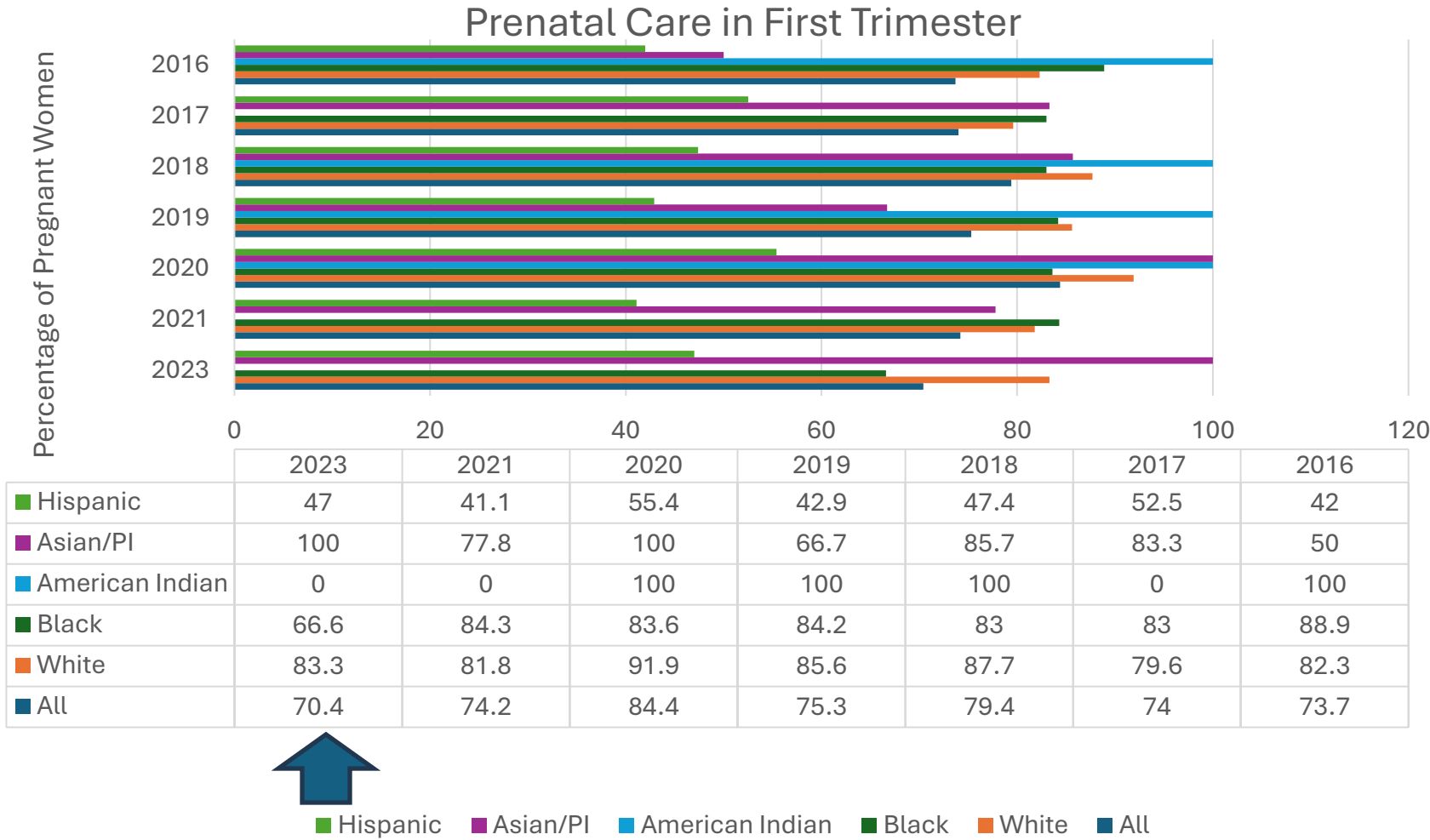
Food insecurity rate (county) - Comparison

Data Source: Feeding America



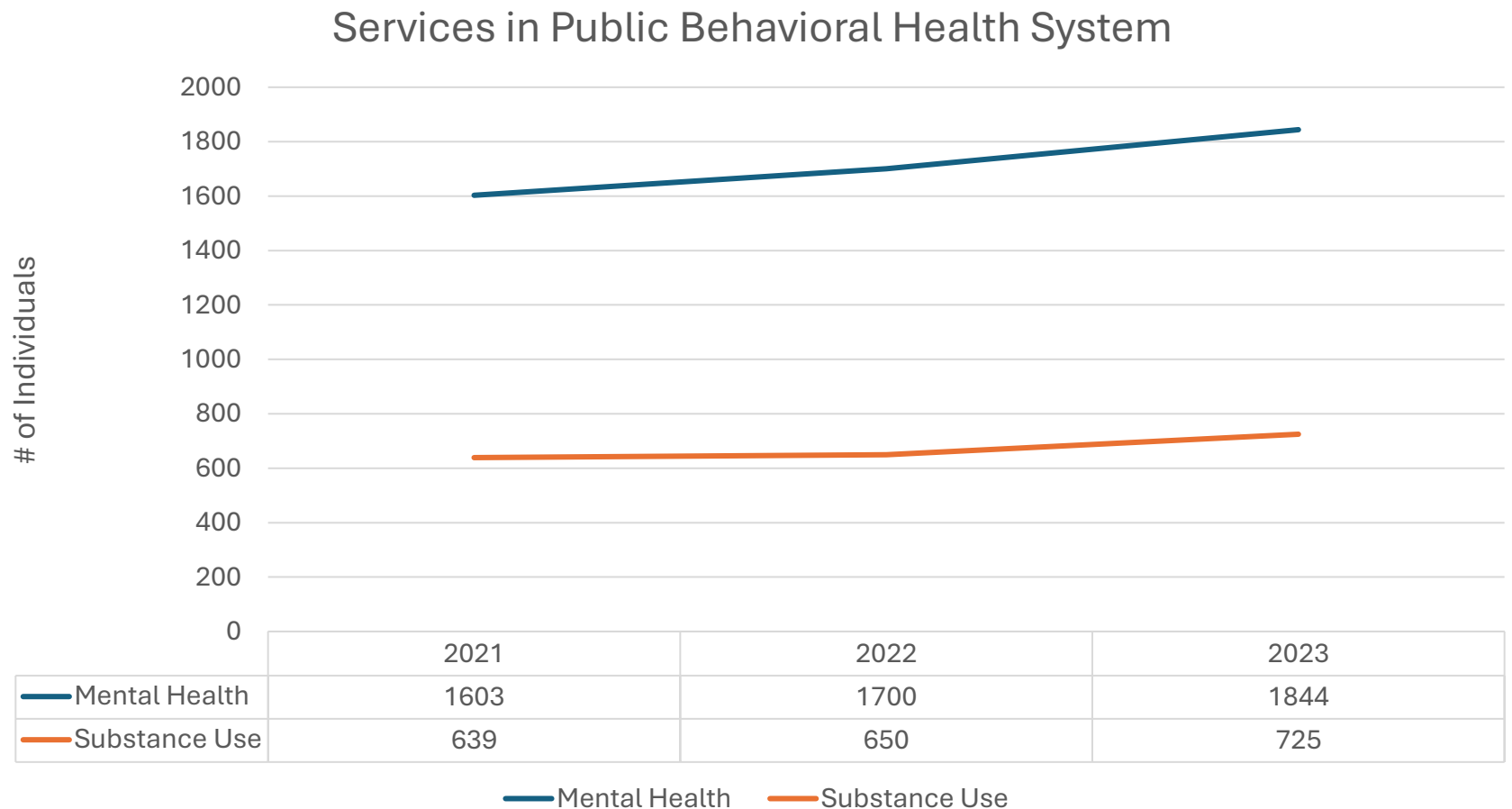
● [Talbot] Food insecurity rate (county) ● [Talbot] Food insecurity rate - Asian ● [Talbot] Food insecurity rate - Black ● [Talbot] Food insecurity rate - Latino
● [Talbot] Food insecurity rate - Native American ● [Talbot] Food insecurity rate - Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander ● [Talbot] Food insecurity rate - White, non Hispanic

Prenatal Care



Source: Maryland Department of Health – Vital Statistics – Annual Reports, most recent 2023

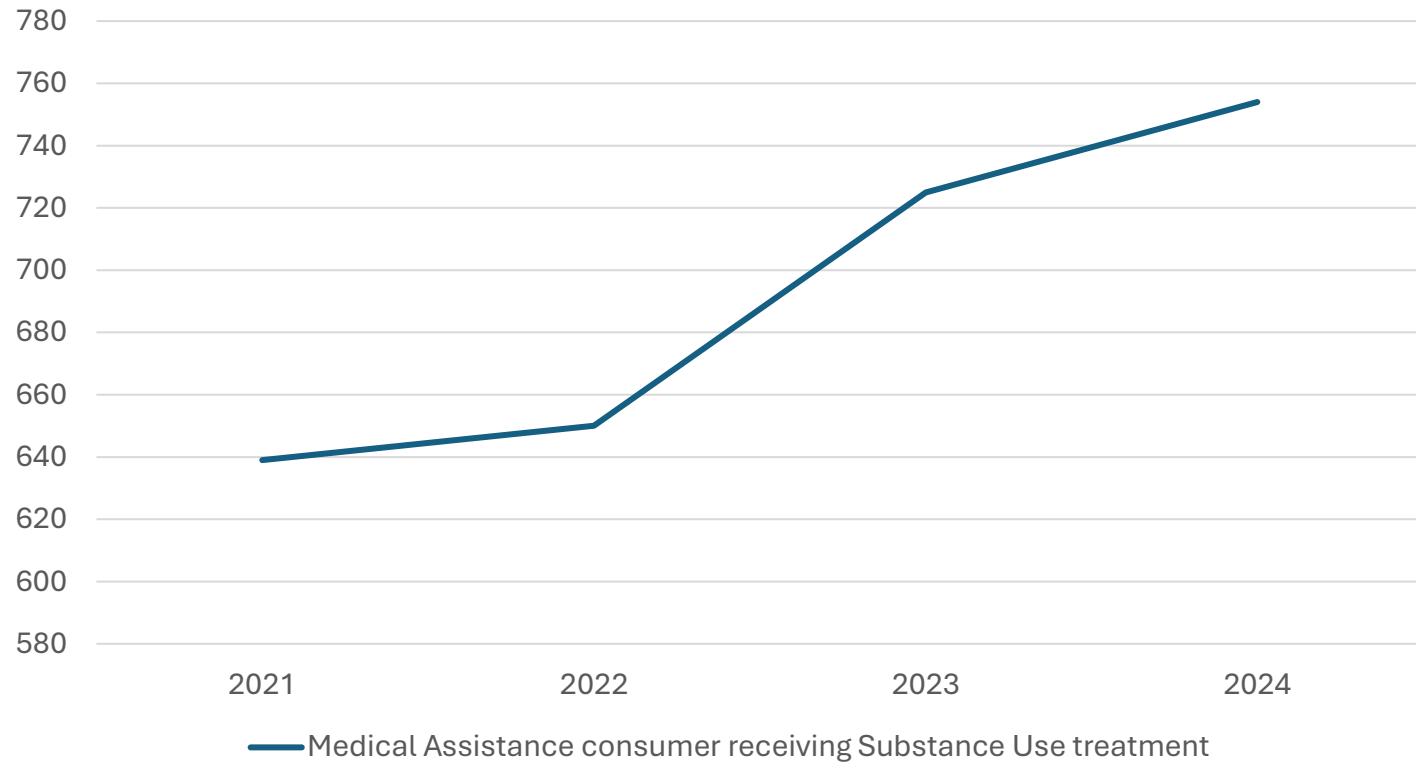
Individuals Utilizing Behavioral Public Health System - All Ages



Source: Maryland Department of Health, GOC

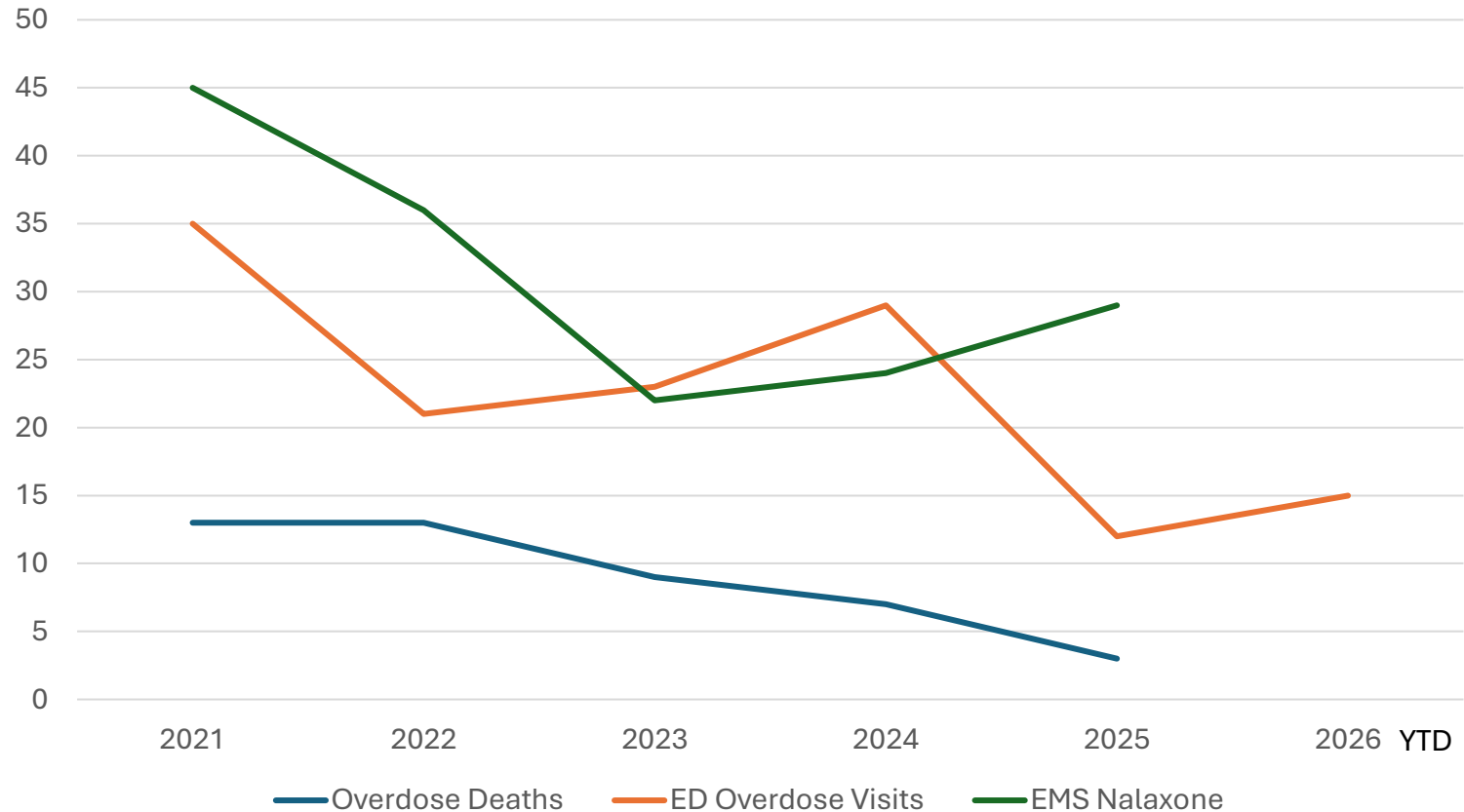
Medical Assistance Consumer Receiving Substance Use Treatment

Talbot County residents, adult and youth



Source: Maryland Department of Health, GOC, TCHD

Opioid Trends Talbot County



Source: Overdose Data Portal, [Pages - MDH Interactive Dashboards](#)

Talbot County Certified Recovery Residence

- 10 houses – Approximately 120 beds
- 2 female, 7 male, 1 Pregnant Women and Women with Children
- Approximately 260 people served yearly

“The beds are generally full, especially at peak times of the year but there are vacancies throughout. For Talbot County residents, those with Medicaid and who are eligible for recovery house funding (MDRN funding) can go to any of the MDRN-approved houses in the state as well. The houses here are generally a mix of true Talbot residents and out-of-county and out-of-state transfers.”

Talbot County Addictions Director, TCHD

Source: LAA (Local Addiction Authority, Talbot County Health Department

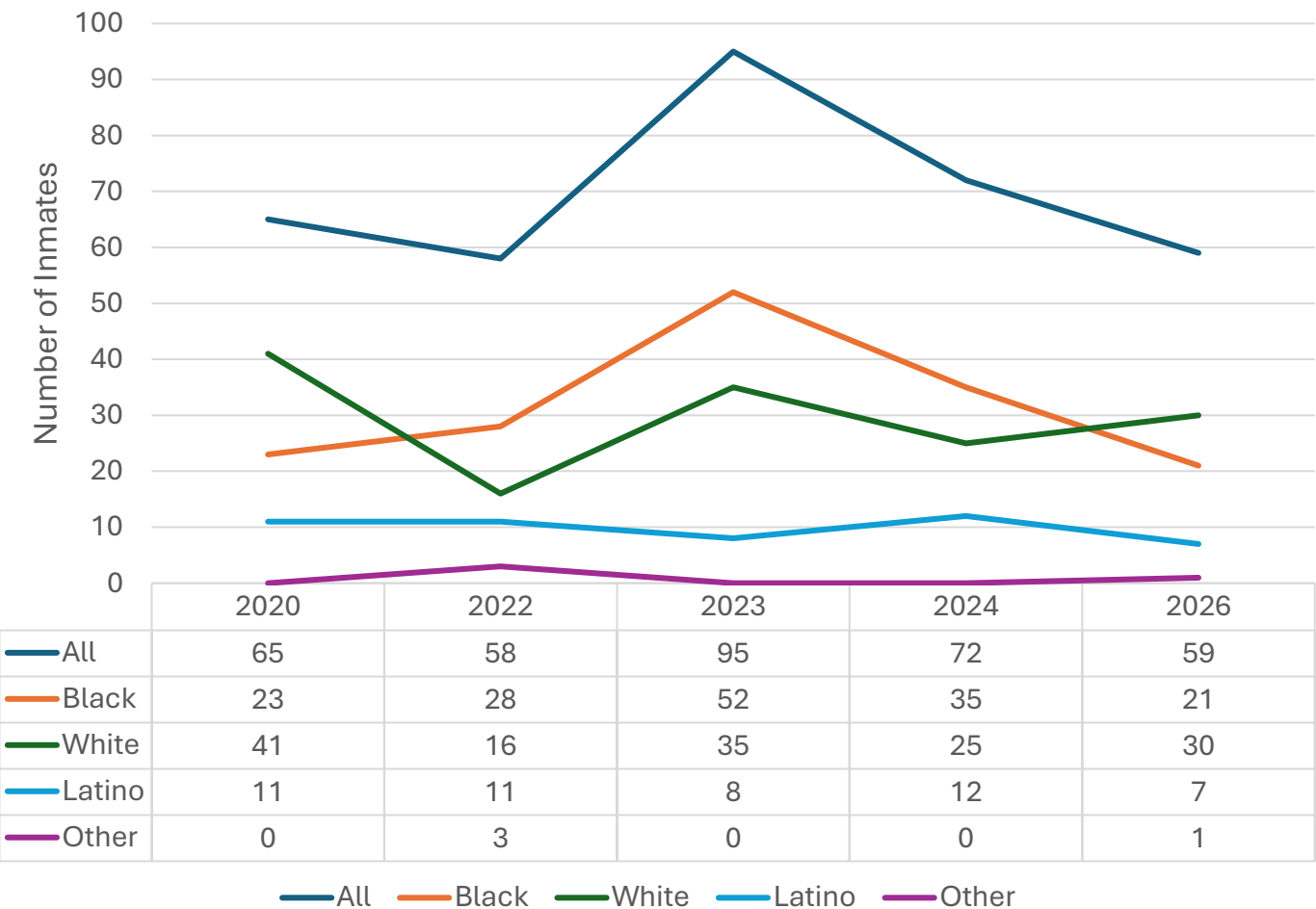
Justice and Systems Involvement

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Impact of Incarceration

- The total census at Talbot County Department of Corrections was 59 as of **June 2026. 49% inmates of color.** (Talbot DOC, August 2026)
- 65 Inmates with a Home Plan for Talbot County (4 female, 61 male) are incarcerated in MD State Prisons. **86% are inmates of color.** (MD Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services, August 2026)
- 234 Talbot Citizens on Parole or Probation. 22% Female. 59% white, **41% People of Color.** (MD Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services, August 2026)
Talbot County general population is 30.1% people of color. (US Census, ACS, 2024)
- According to BJS nationally (state and federal) 71% of male and 53% of female inmates are of color. (BJS – Prisoners in 2019)
- Nationally 47.4% of male and 57.7% of female inmates are parents. (BJS, 2021 report based on 2016 data – most recent)

Talbot County Detention Center Population



Talbot County
Population:

- Black 12.2%
- Latine 9.6%
- White 75.6%

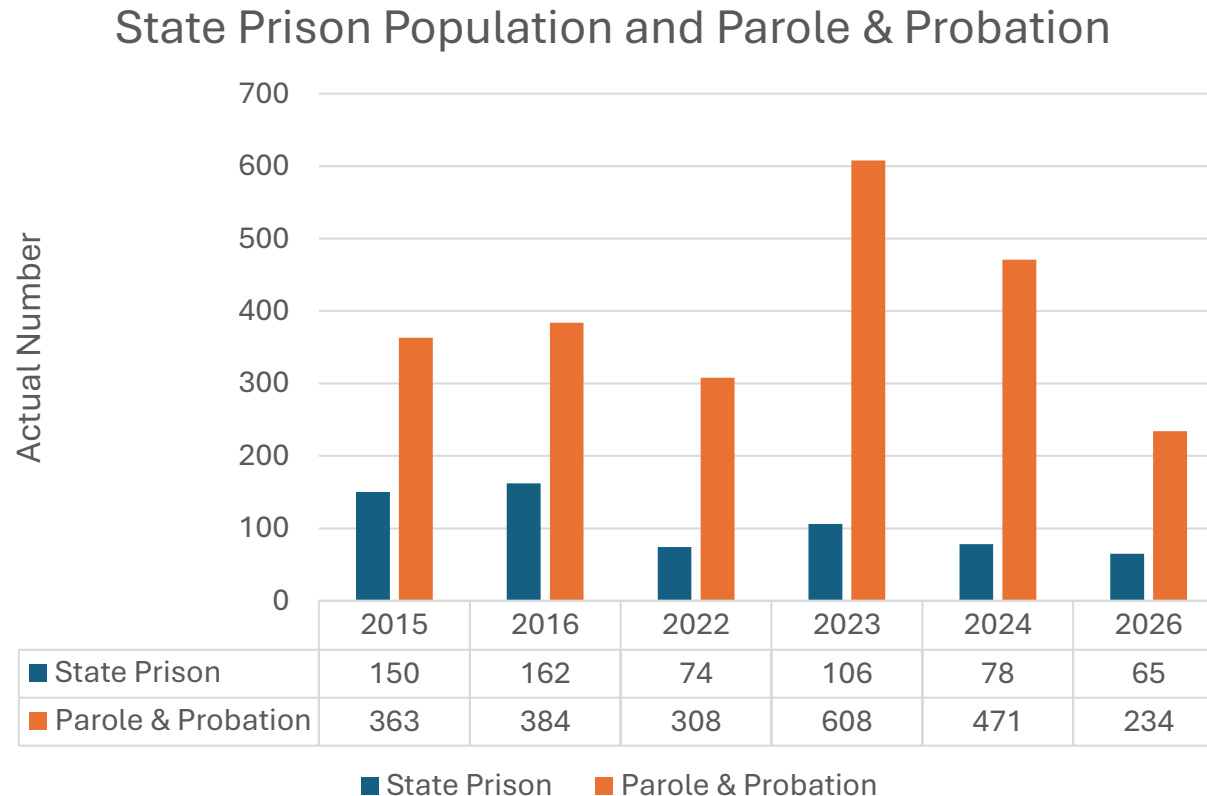
2026
TCDC Census:

Black 35.6%

Latine 11.9%

White 50.8%

State Correction Data: Talbot County

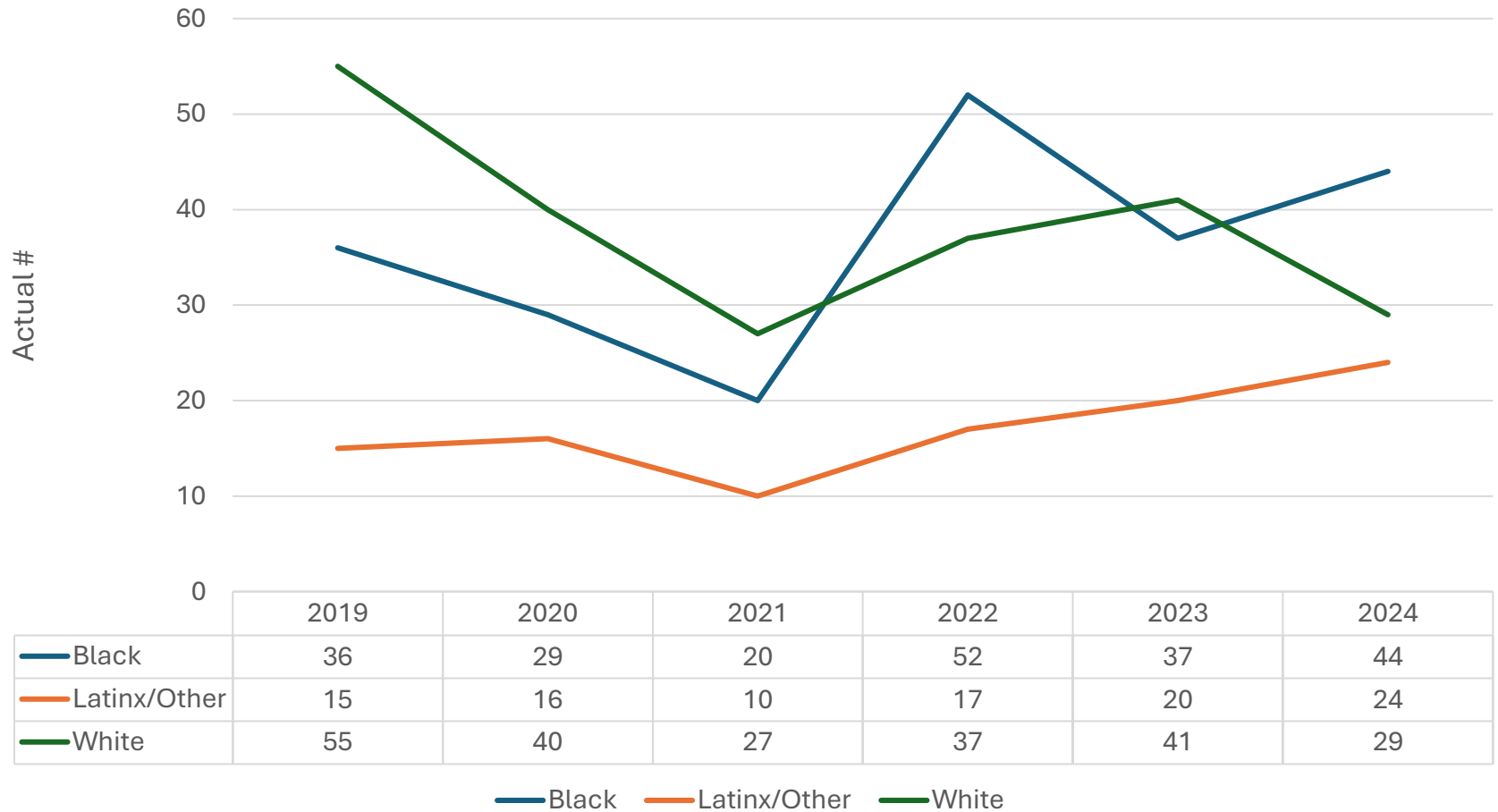


Racial Demographics of Talbot State Corrections population, 2026

State Prison – 72% Black, 14% White, 12% Latinx, 2% Other

Parole & Probation – 32% Black, 59% White, 5% Asian, 1% Native American, 6% Unknown

Department of Juvenile Services Referred and Supervised Youth



Talbot Population – 75.7% White, 12% Black, 12% Other
DJS Referred Youth – 30% White, 45% Black, 25% Latinx

Source: GOC, Most recent



For Discussion at the August 18th Meeting

These data are a starting point. Participants will be invited to identify what stands out, what questions the data raise, and what may be missing.

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