

Social Security Is Vital to All Americans

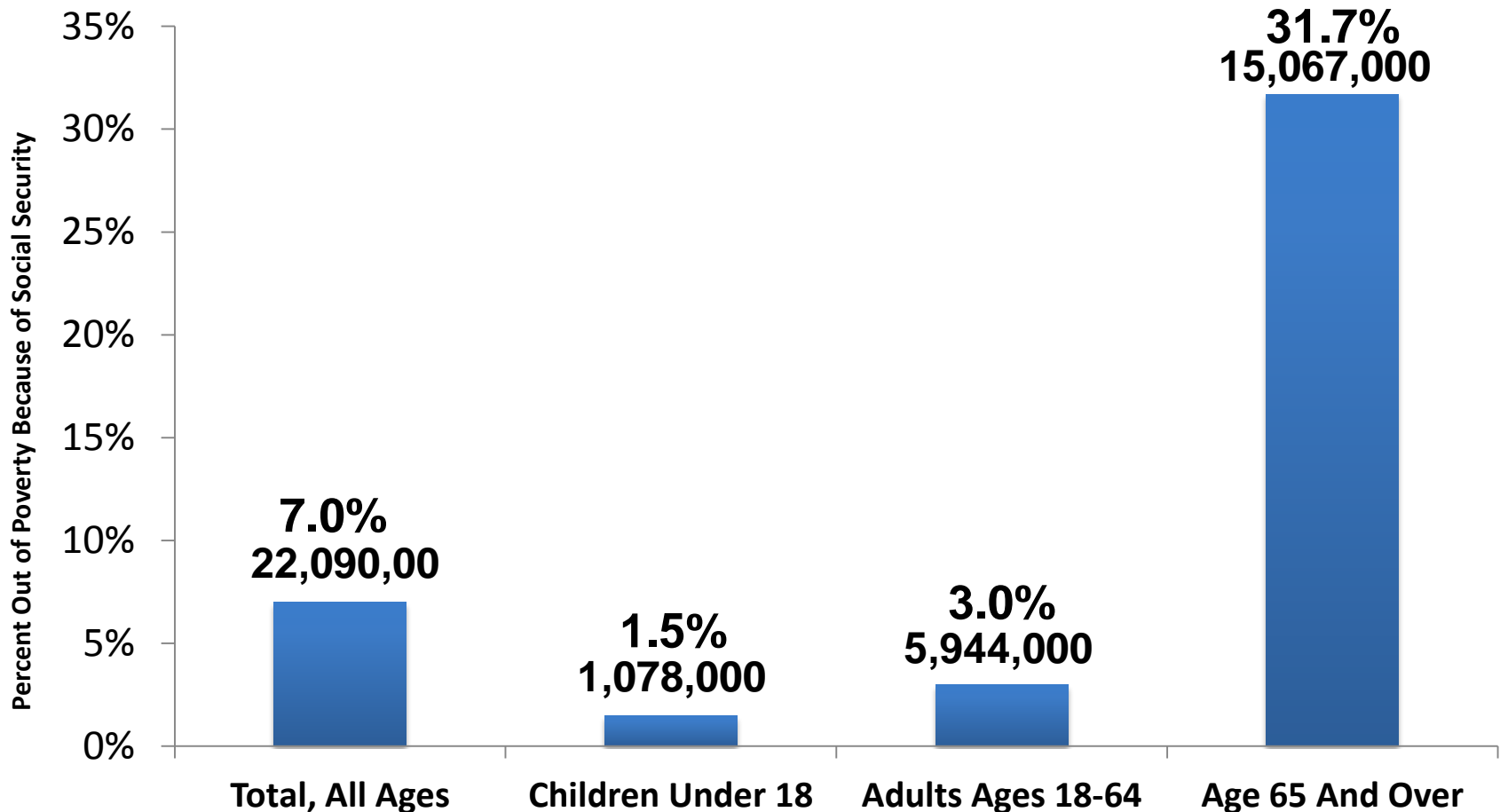
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**Social Security is responsible
for keeping many people out of
poverty**

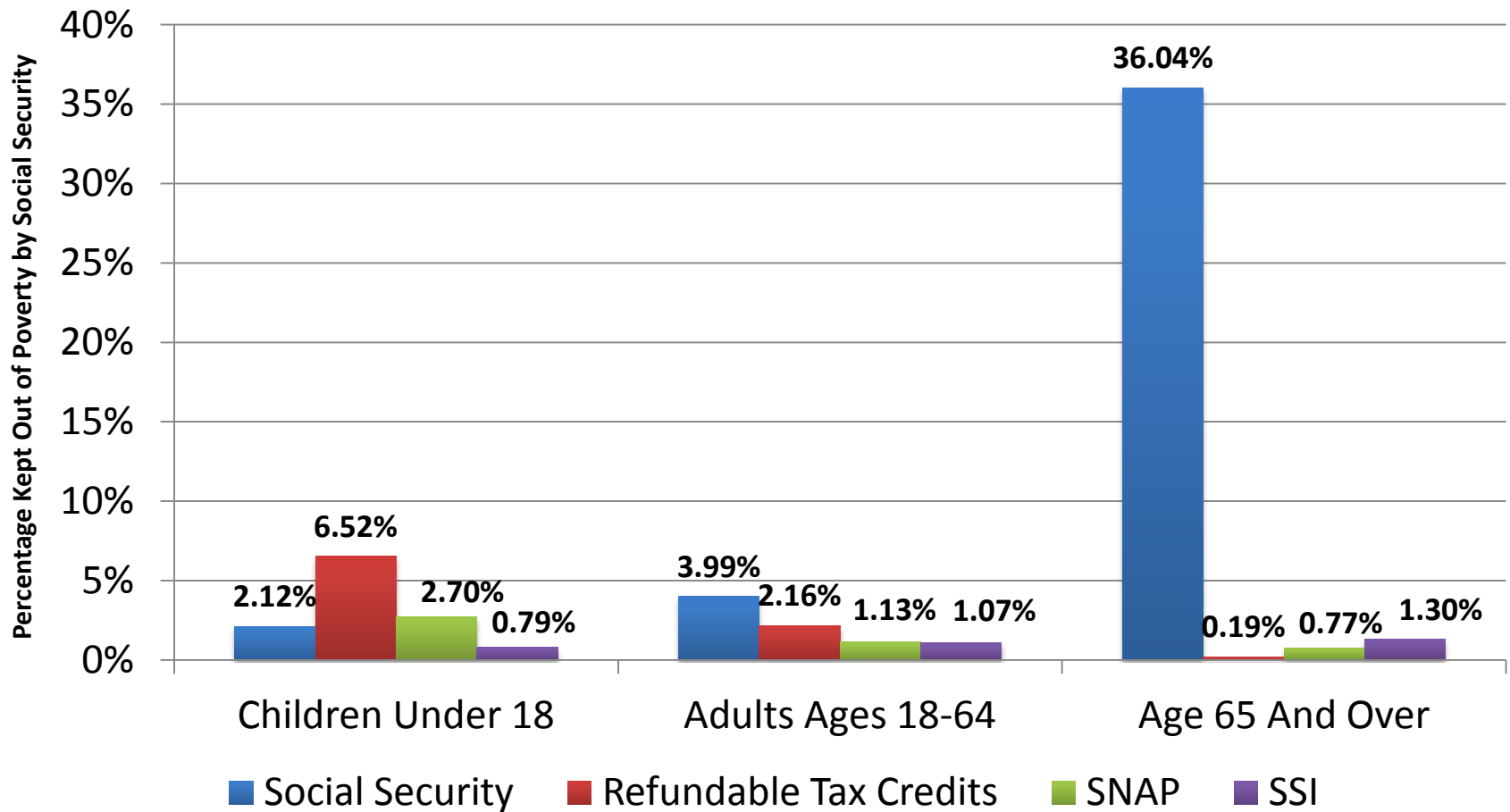
Social Security Keeps Americans of All Ages Out of Poverty



[Source: Kathleen Romig and Arloc Sherman, "Social Security Keeps 22 Million Americans Out of Poverty: A State-By-State Analysis"](#)

Social Security Is The Ultimate Poverty Tool

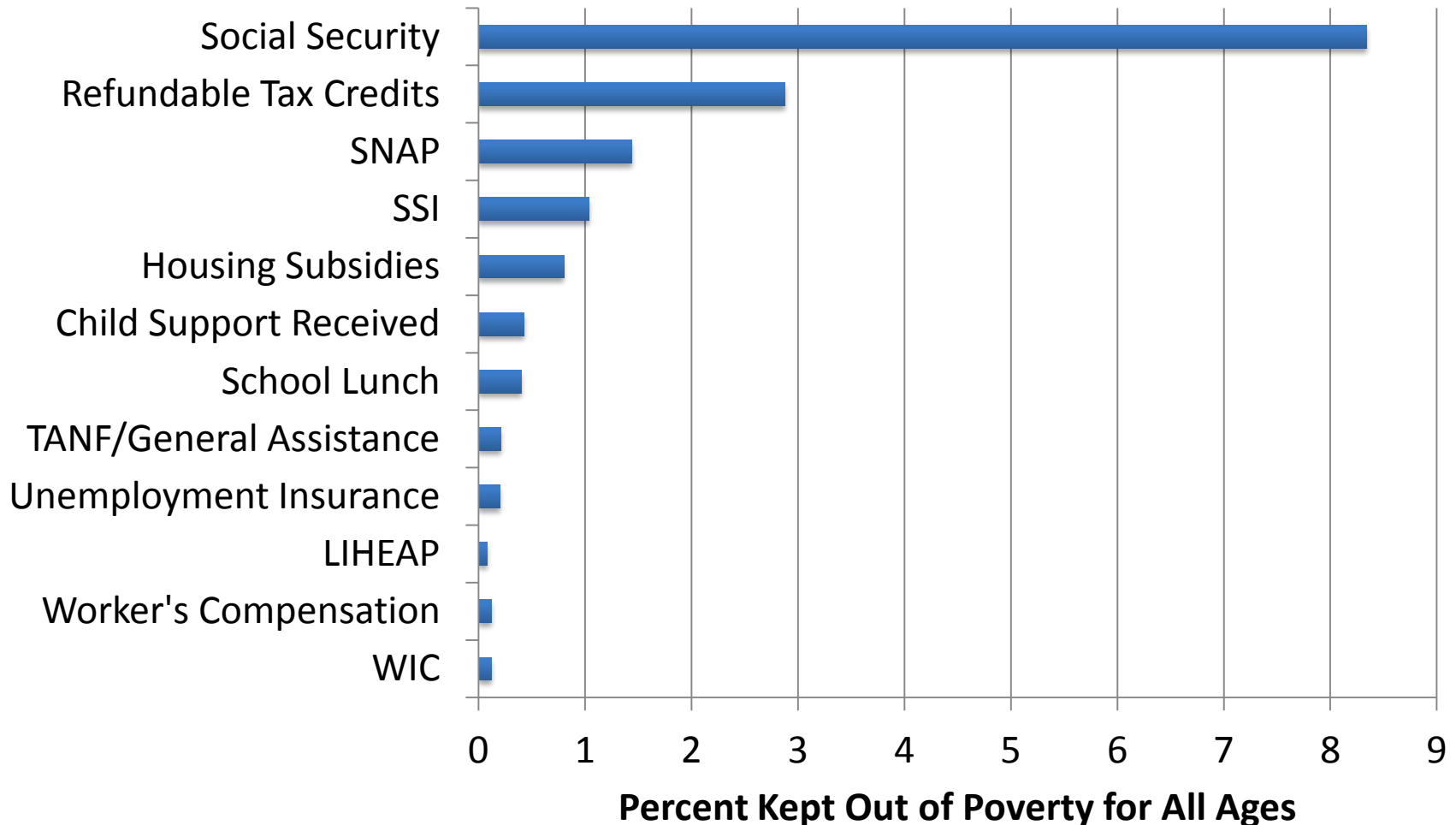
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Social Security Keeps More People Out of Poverty Than All Other Programs Combined

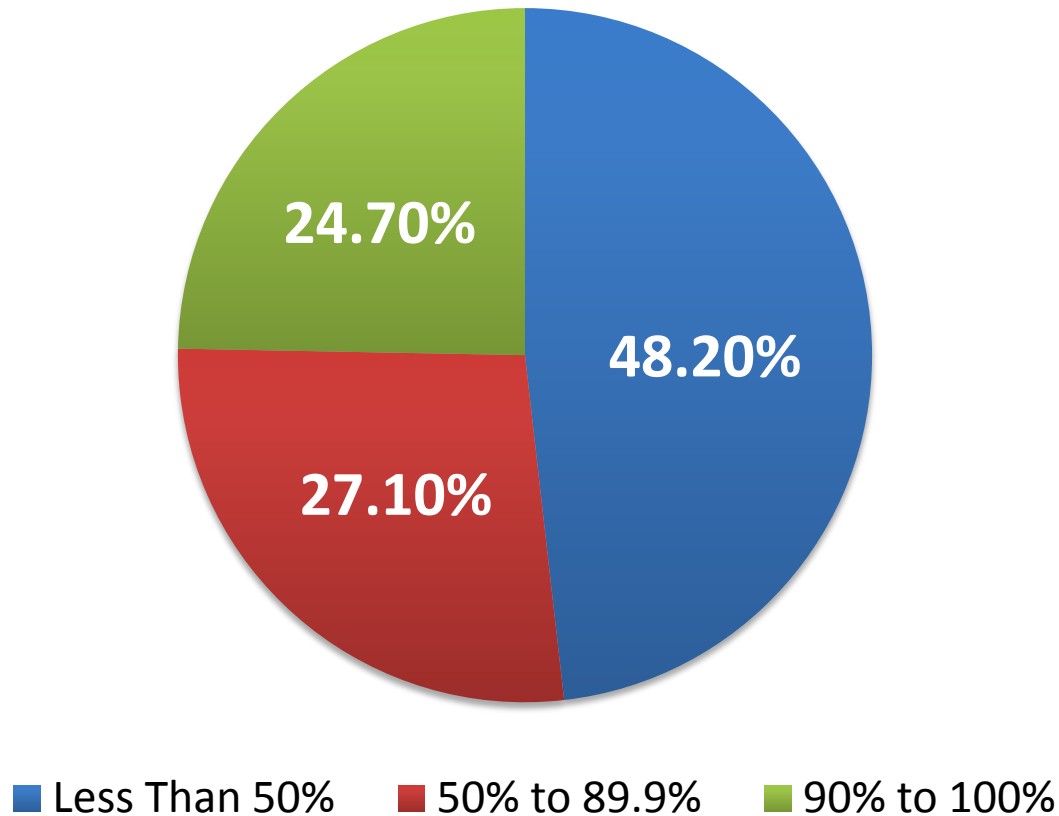
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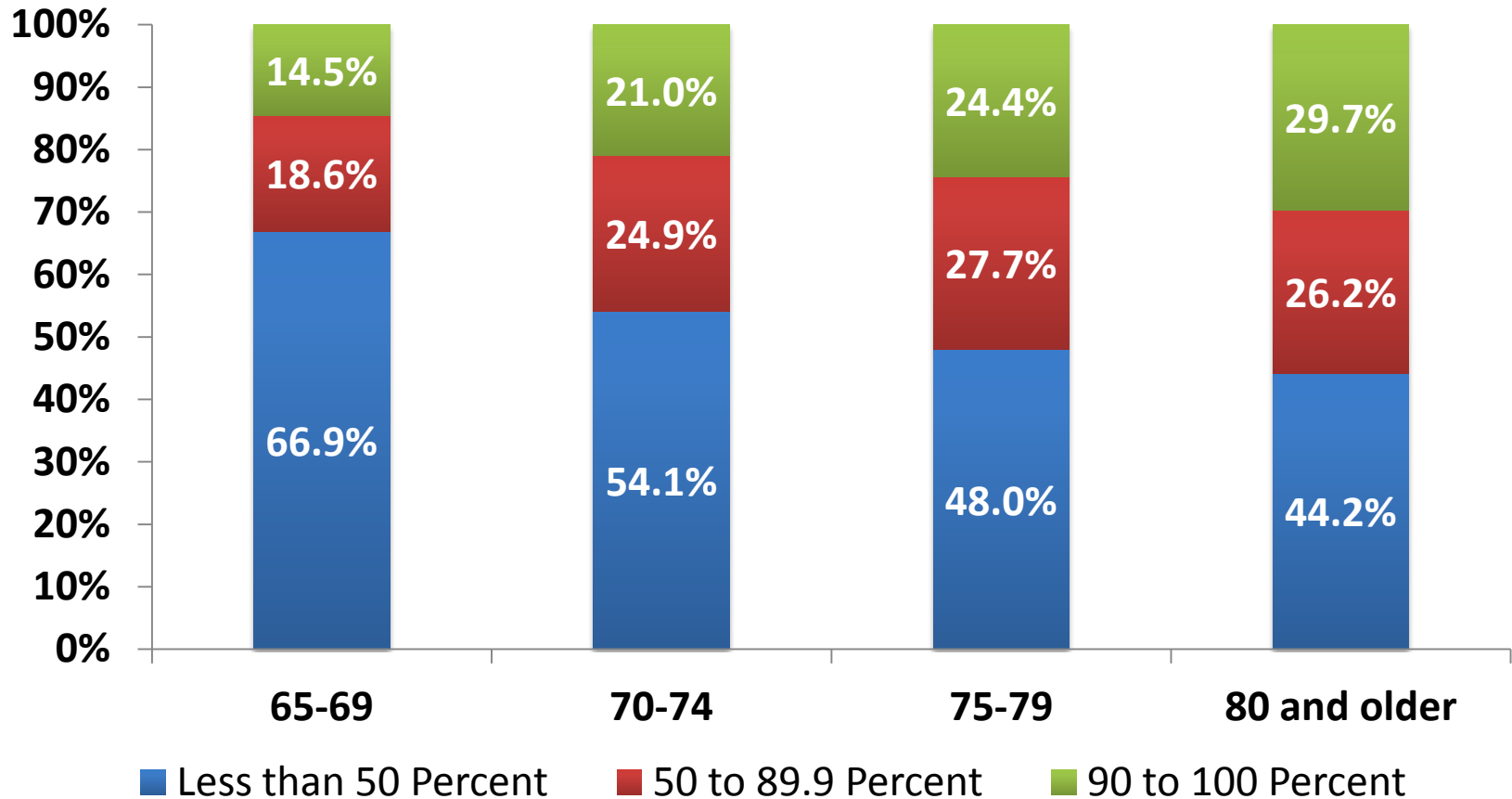
**Social Security is an important
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Nearly A Quarter of Older Americans Depend on Social Security for 90% or More of Their Family's Income



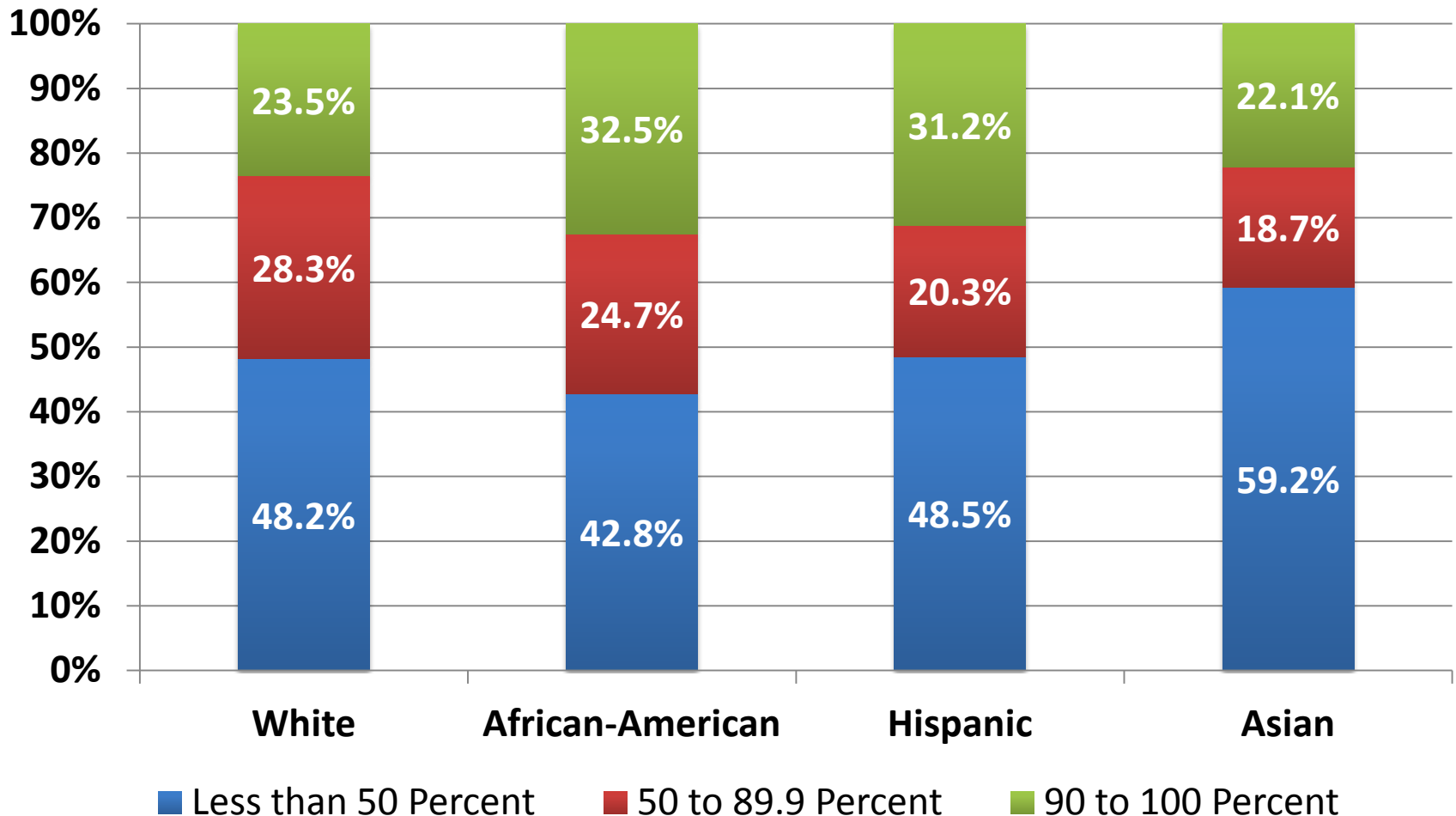
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Social Security Makes Up a Larger Share of Family Income for Older Americans



Source: Alison Shelton, "Social Security: A Key Retirement Income Source for Older Minorities", AARP Public Policy Institute, Insight on the Issues 112, March 2016. NOTE: Also includes non-beneficiaries.

Minorities Rely More on Social Security for A Larger Portion of Their Family's Income



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