

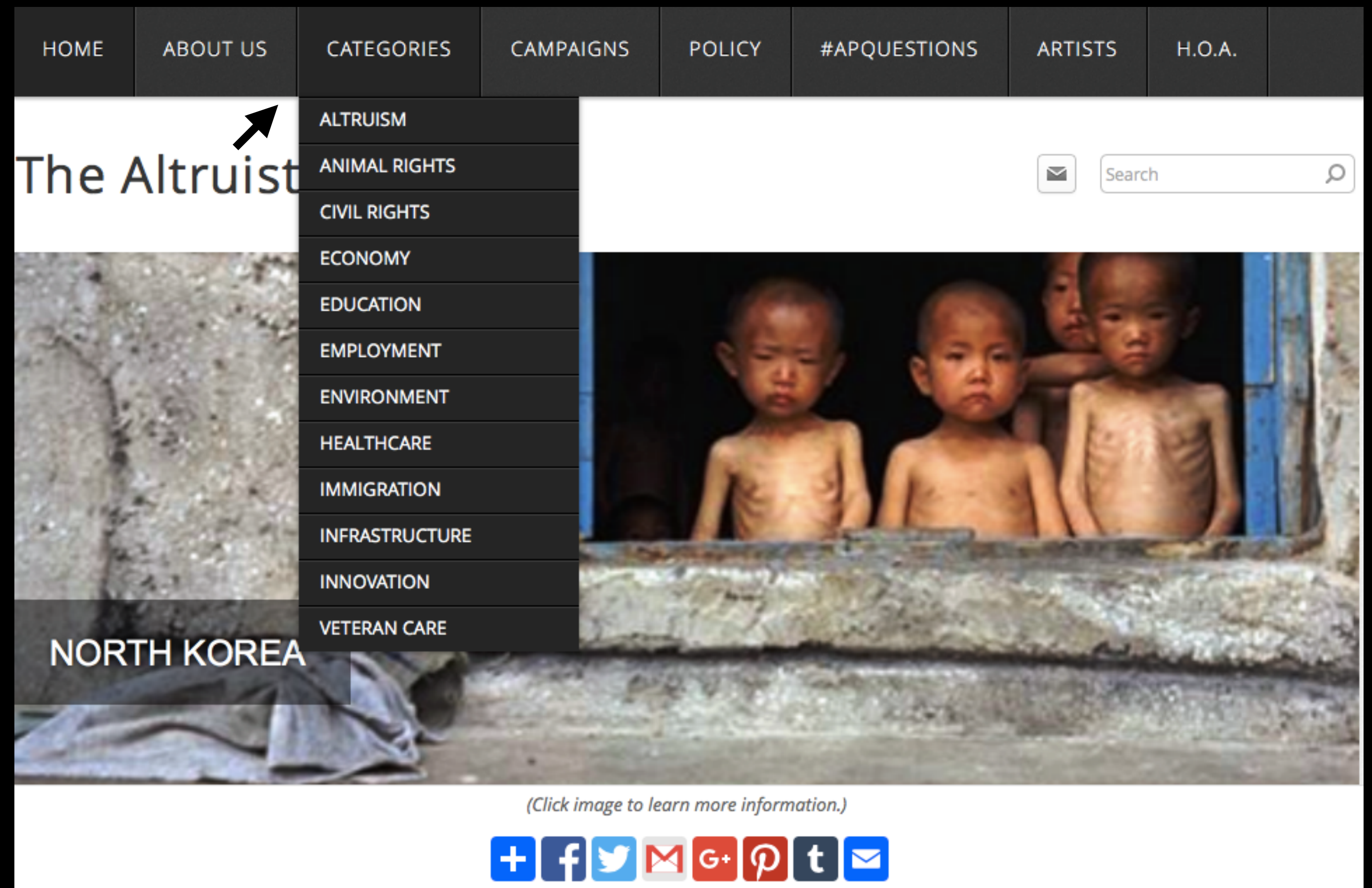
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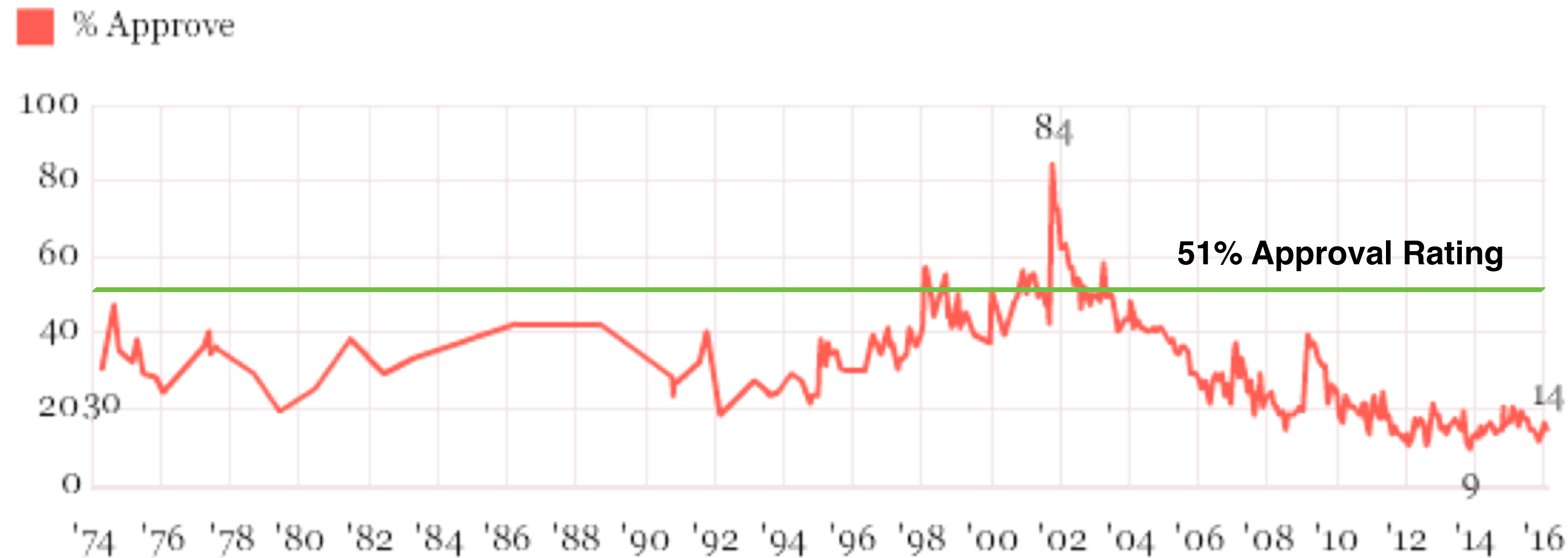


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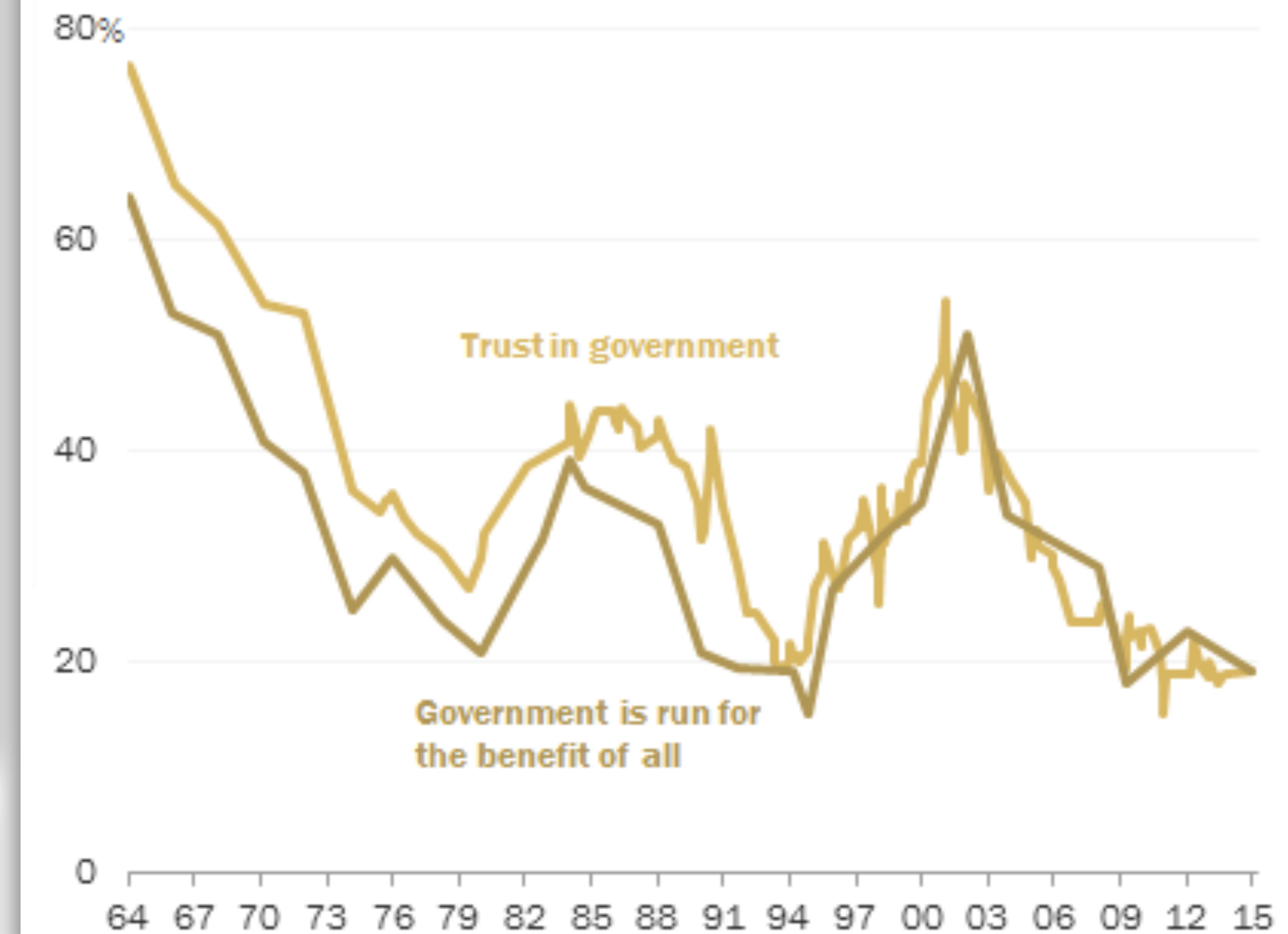
re•pub•lic (rĭ-pŭb'lik)

n. A political order in which the supreme power lies in a body of citizens who are entitled to vote for officers and representatives responsible to them.

Congressional Job Approval Ratings Trend (1974-Present)



Trust in government and perceptions of government fairness



While there are no specific grounds for an expulsion expressed in the Constitution, expulsion actions in both the House and the Senate have generally concerned cases of perceived disloyalty to the United States, or the conviction of a criminal statutory offense which involved abuse of one's official position.

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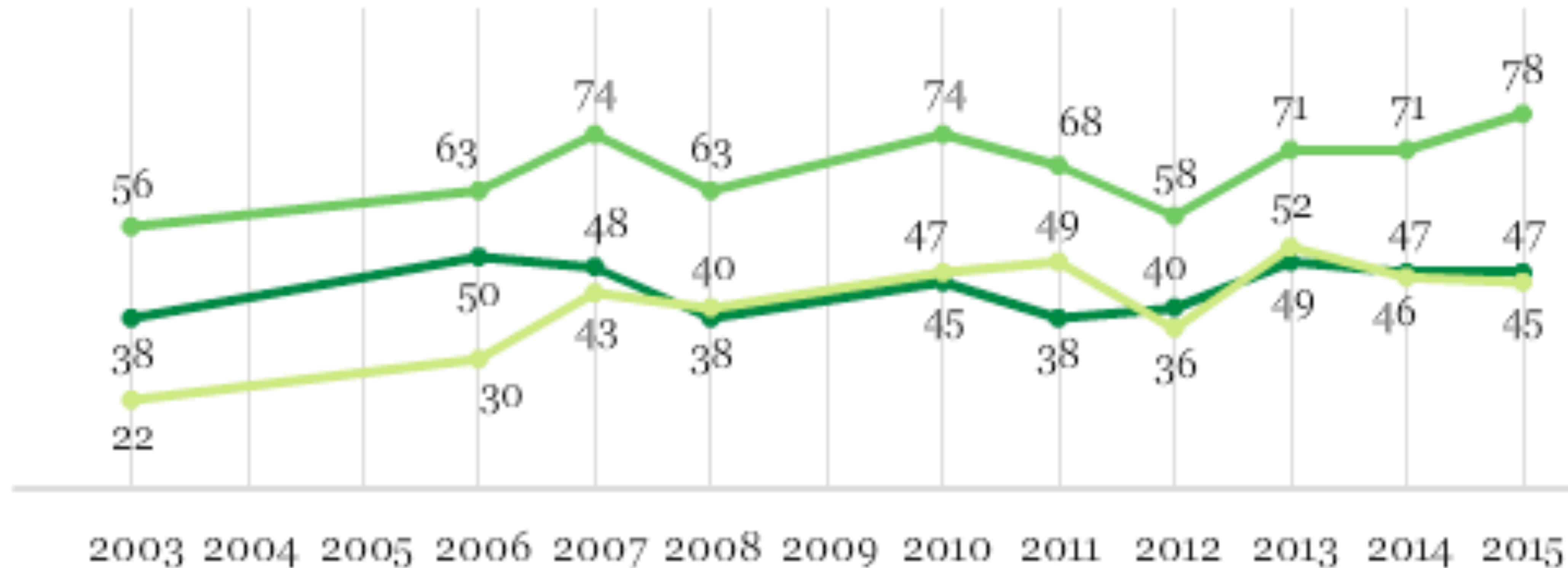
Support for a Third Major U.S. Political Party, by Political Party Affiliation

Numbers in percentages

■ Democrats

■ Independents

■ Republicans



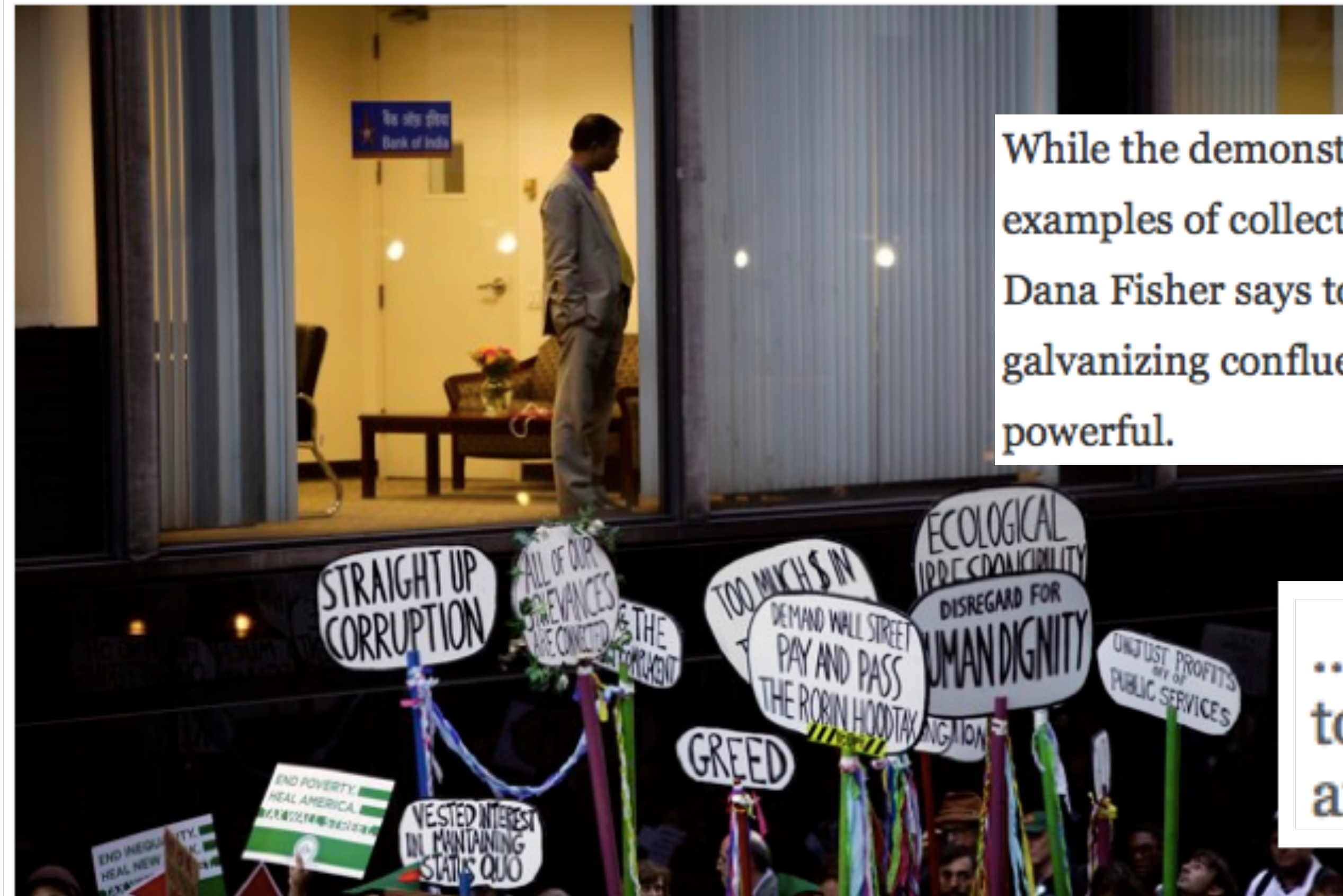
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Why Street Protests Don't Work

How can so many demonstrations accomplish so little?



A Bank of India worker watches from a window as Occupy Wall Street protesters march along 47th Street in New York in September 2013. (Joshua Lott/Reuters)

The protest movement is failing: it's fighting the same old battles with the same poor results...

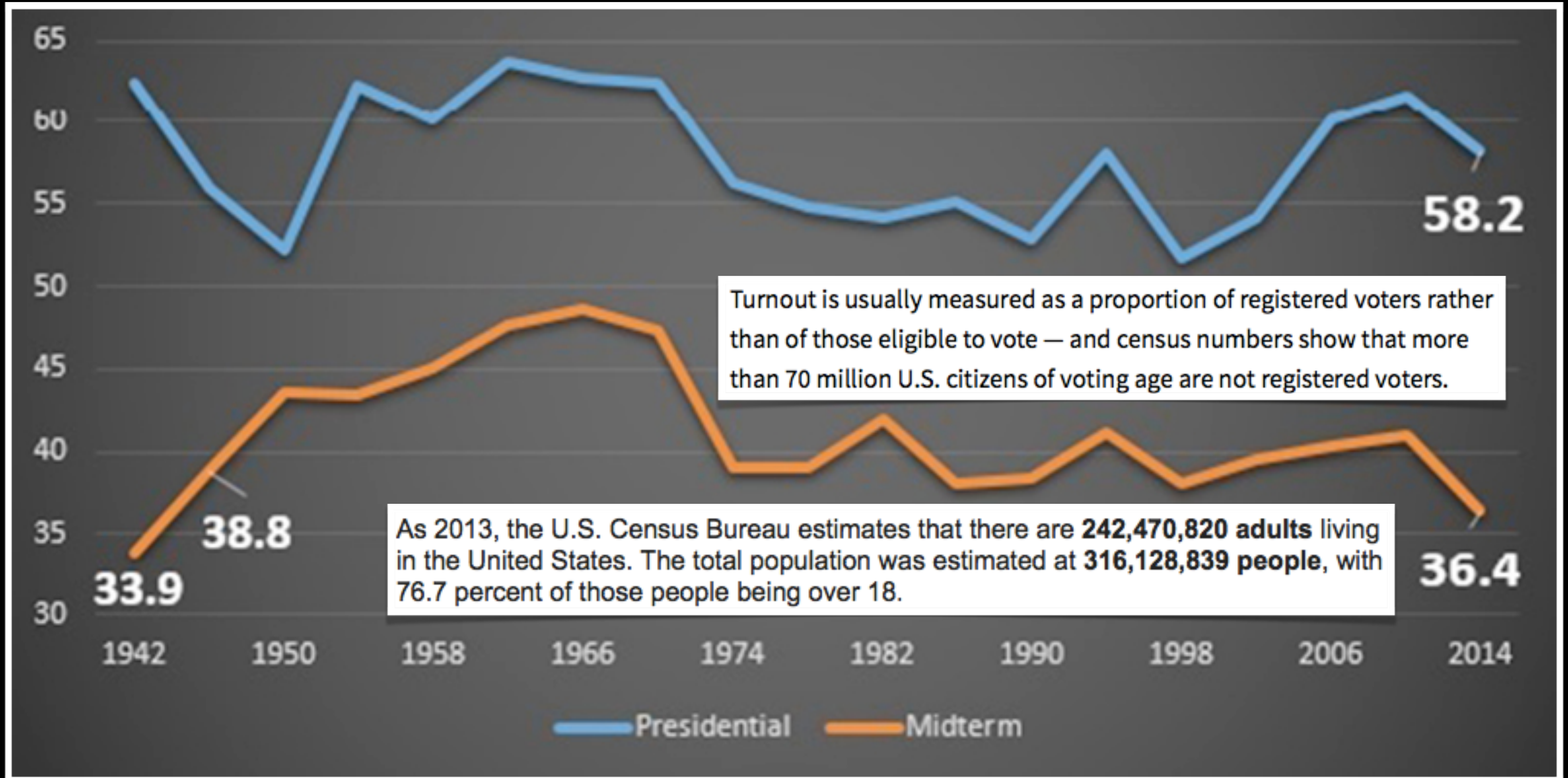
While the demonstrations of the 1960s brought about historic change, more recent examples of collective activism seem to have had a smaller impact. Columbia professor Dana Fisher says today's protests lack the numbers of attendees, duration and galvanizing confluence of social movements that made rallies decades earlier so powerful.

...government responses usually amount to little more than rhetorical appeasement, and certainly no major political reforms...

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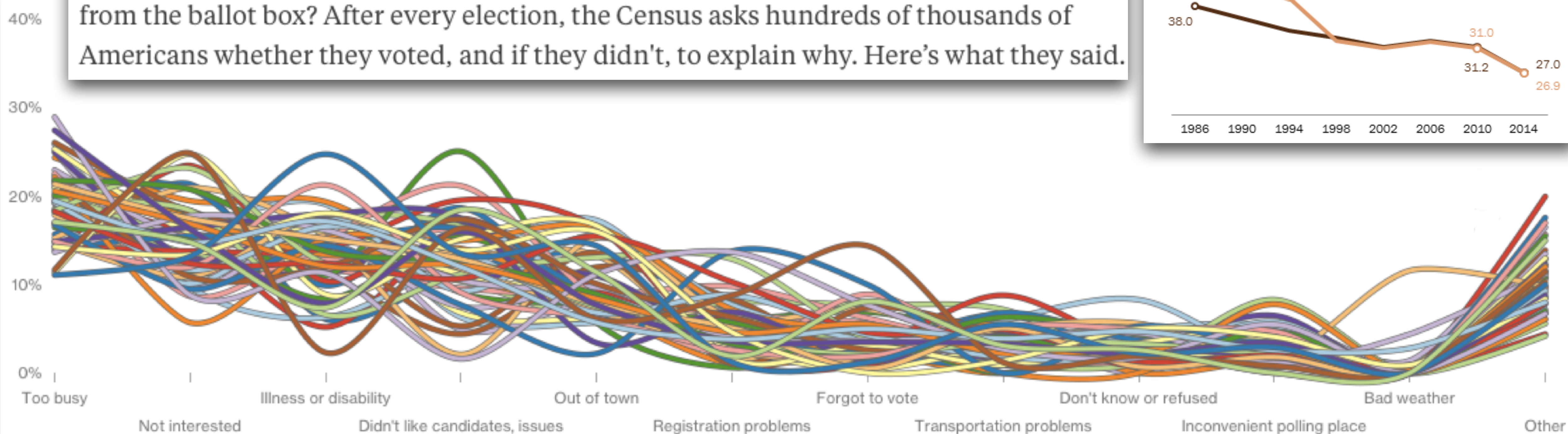


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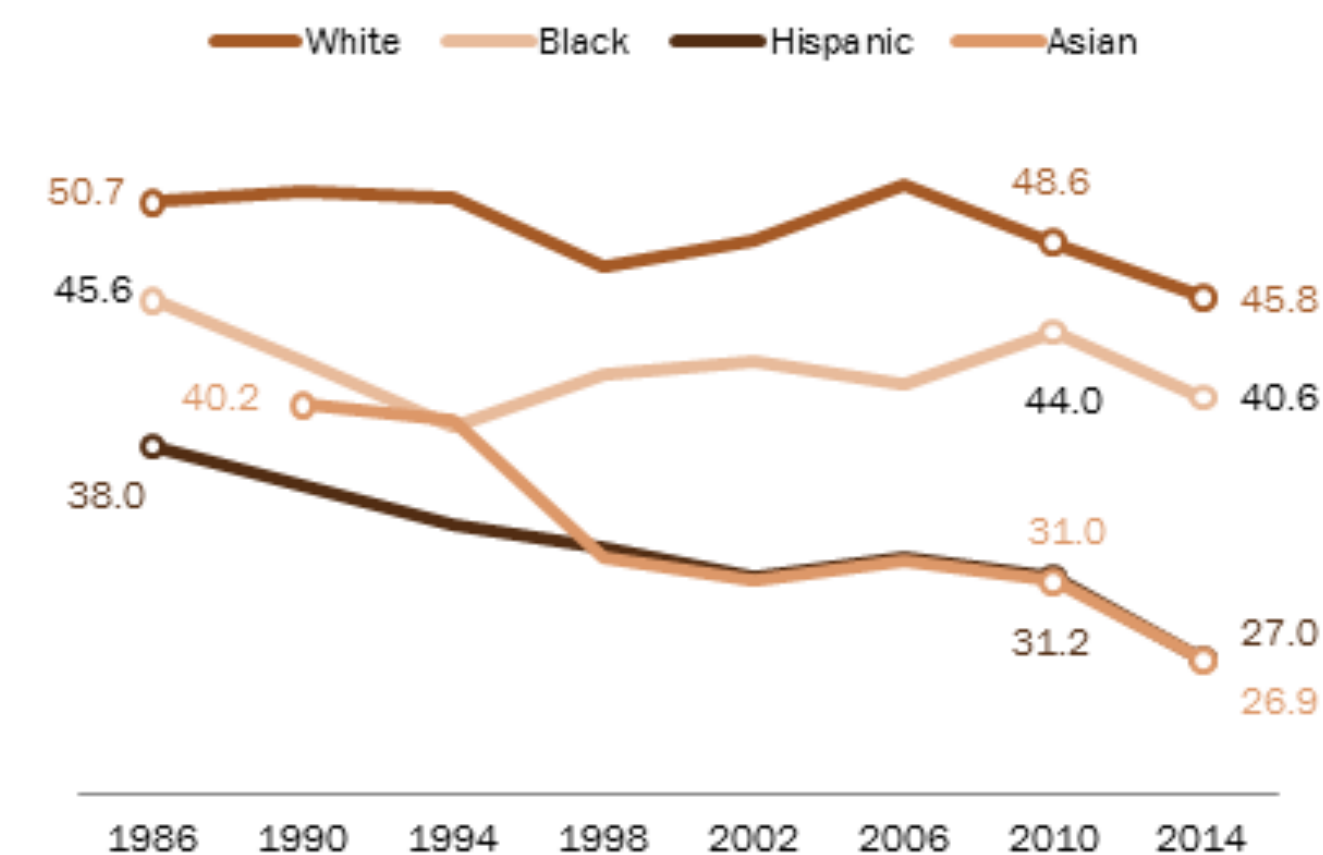
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Americans are less likely to exercise their right to vote than citizens of many other democracies. The result is millions of lost voters—people who are eligible and may even be registered, but don't show up. In 2012, 56.5 percent of voting-age Americans cast a ballot, according to the U.S. Census. It's not because people in the U.S. aren't paying attention to the presidential race—good luck trying to avoid it. So what's keeping them from the ballot box? After every election, the Census asks hundreds of thousands of Americans whether they voted, and if they didn't, to explain why. Here's what they said.



Voter Turnout Rates for Whites, Latinos and Asians in 2014 Reach Record Lows for a Midterm Election

% of eligible voters who say they voted



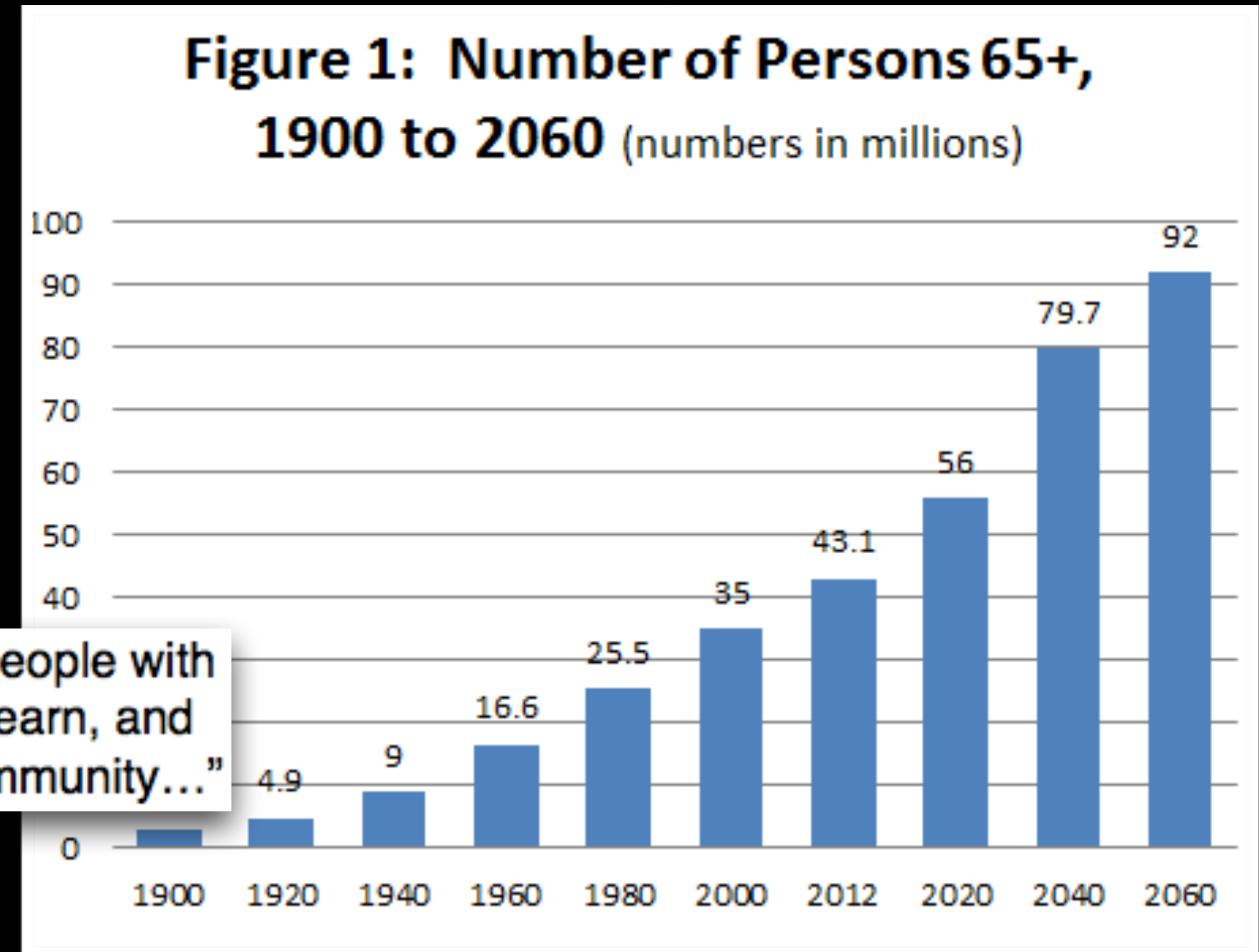
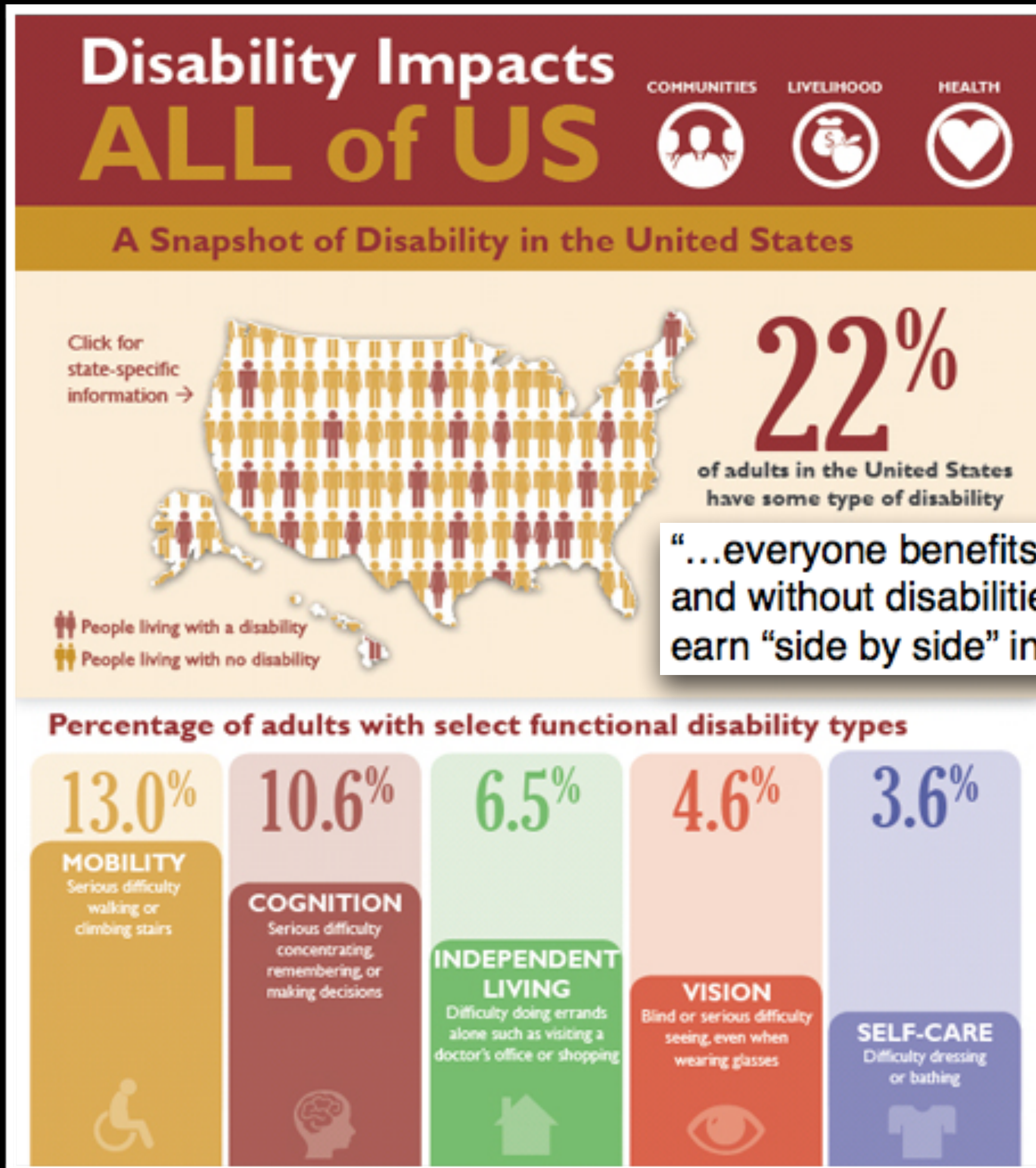
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Lines To Vote In Arizona Were So Long That People Started Ordering Pizza

Though polls closed at 7 p.m., the last vote didn't come in until after midnight.



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“...everyone benefits when people with and without disabilities live, learn, and earn “side by side” in the community...”

2015 is the year that the spotlight began to shine on what has been called the last unaddressed prejudice in America: Ageism. Watch for there to be continued pressure on companies -- especially the tech industry in Silicon Valley -- to explain why they aren't hiring anyone over 40. And enough with the demeaning condescension of "adorable grandparents" already. Microaggressions are just as ageist and just as problematic.

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Congressman Introduces Bill to Address Outdated Voting Technology

May 2, 2016

U.S. Rep. Hank Johnson (D-Ga.) **introduced** the Verifying Optimal Tools for Elections Act (VOTE Act) last Friday, which would create a \$125 million grant program to replace aging voting machines in precincts across the nation.

In addition to upgrading outdated machines, the VOTE Act would allocate funds specifically for educational resources for election officials and incentivize states to develop open-source technology, such as those used in Los Angeles, California and Travis County, Texas, through another grant program.

"We applaud Congressman Johnson, the first member of Congress to introduce a solution to the looming voting technology crisis," said **Lawrence Norden**, deputy director of the Brennan Center's Democracy Program. "The VOTE Act proposes common sense solutions that would have immediate impact for many precincts that are struggling to find funds to replace outdated and aging equipment."

"No one expects a laptop to last for 10 years. How can we expect these machines, many of which were designed and engineered in the 1990s, to keep running?"



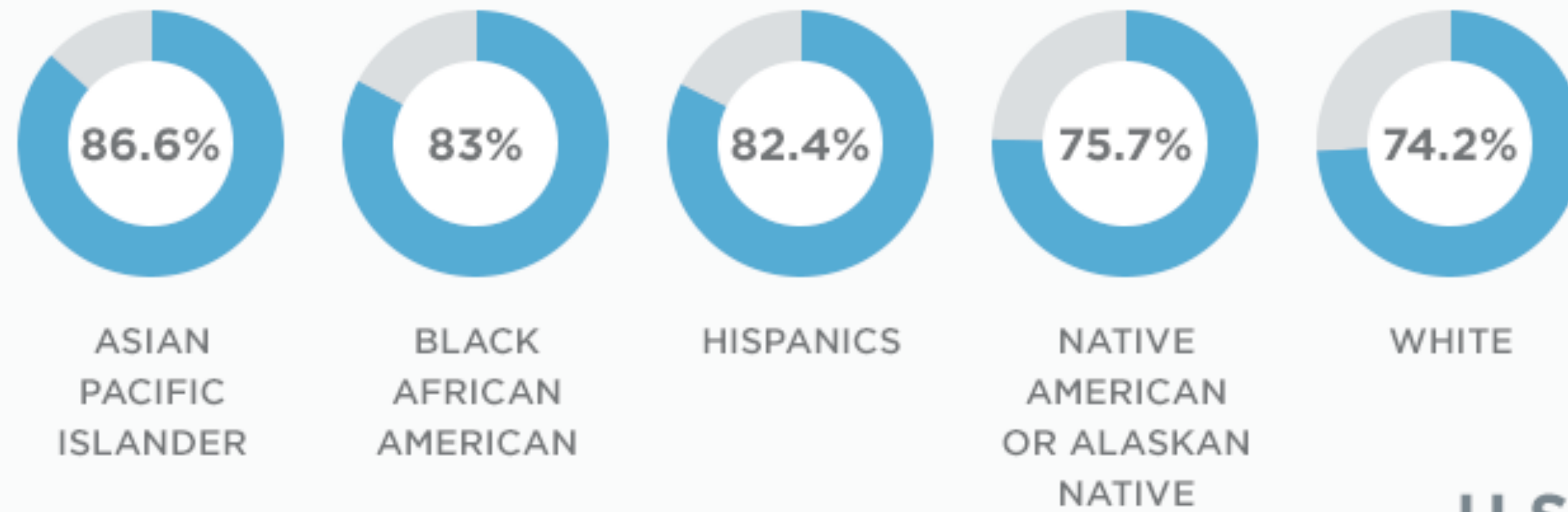
Evolution of the Smartphone



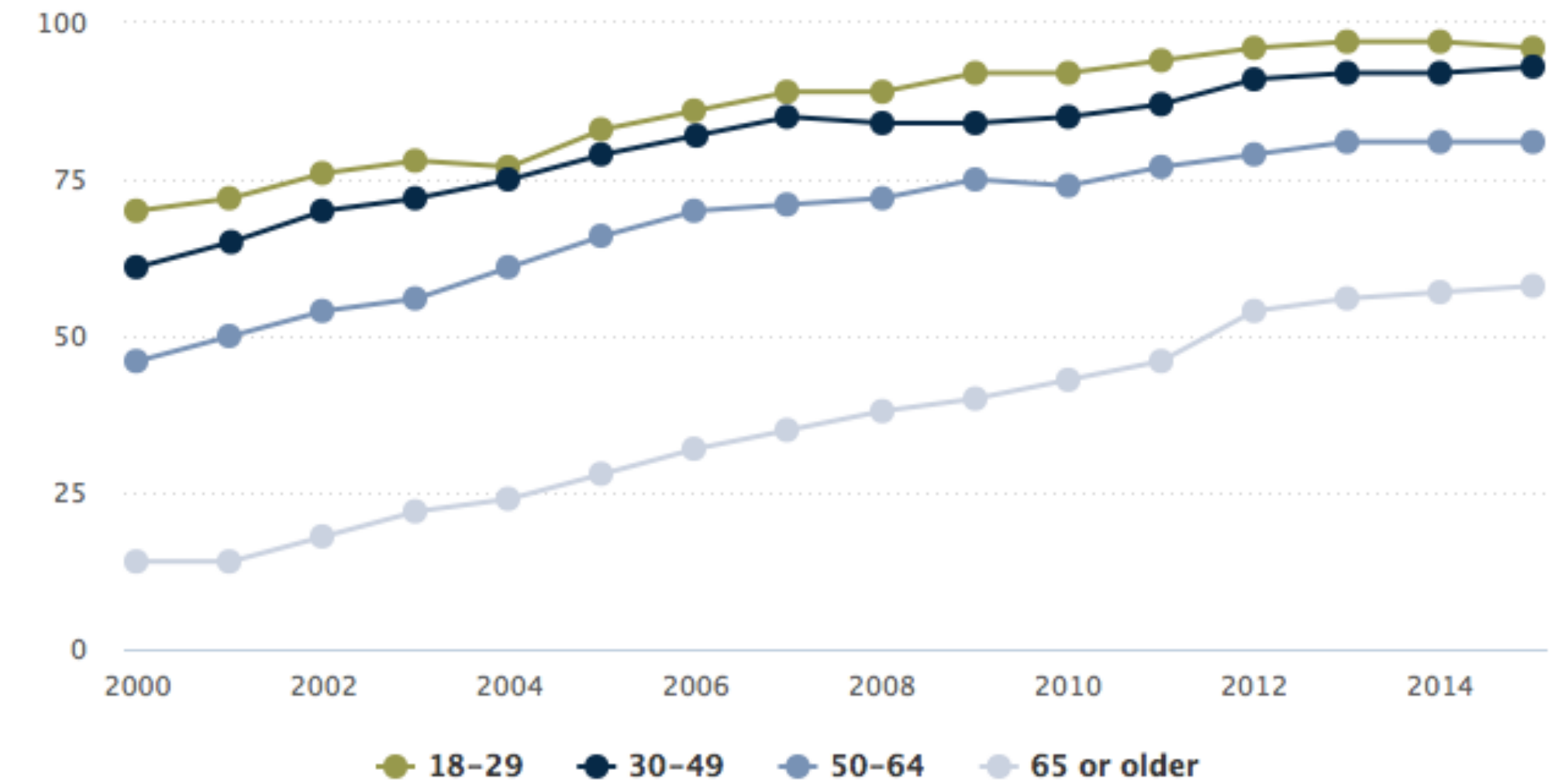
'World's Cheapest Smartphone' Goes On Sale For \$4 In India

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U.S. SMARTPHONE MARKET SHARE BY RACE

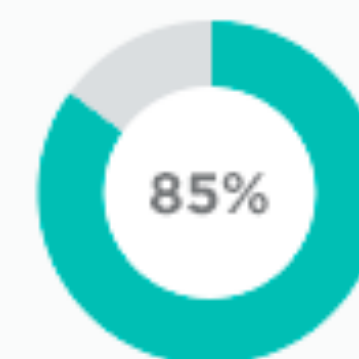


Among all American adults, the % who use the internet, by age

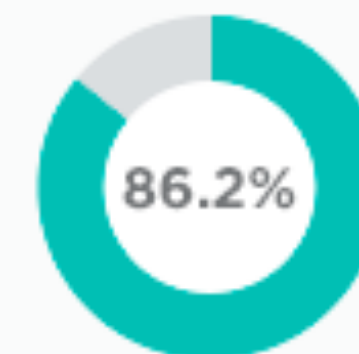


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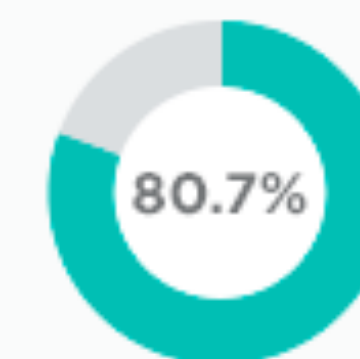


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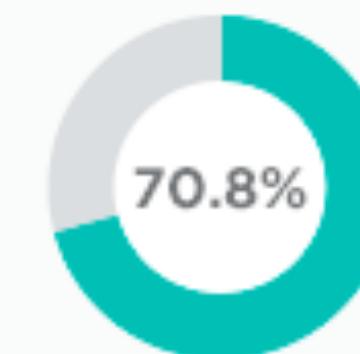


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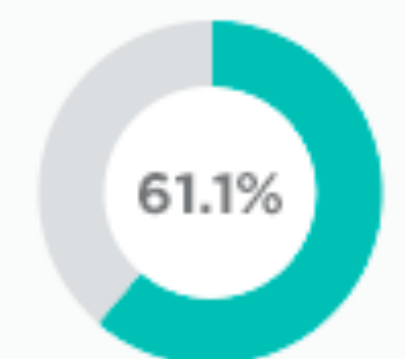


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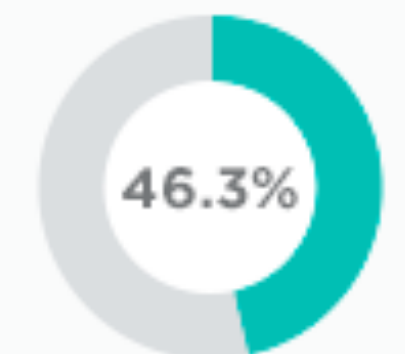


AGE 45-54

BABY BOOMERS



AGE 55-64



AGE 65+

Voters using smartphones made fewer errors in mock election

Date: March 4, 2014

Source: Rice University

Summary: Voters who cast their ballots via smartphones made fewer errors than they did when voting via traditional methods in a mock election, according to new research. Researchers found that while there are no consistent differences in efficiency and perceived usability between the smartphone-based system and other voting systems, smartphone owners made fewer errors on the mobile voting system than when they used traditional voting methods.

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FINGERPRINTS

- 5-9 Second Processing Time
- Commonly Used in Border Management
- Also Used in Law Enforcement



FACIAL RECOGNITION

- Non-invasive Collection
- Currently Used for Passports and National ID Documents



IRIS

- Low False Acceptance Rates
- Difficult to Replicate
- Two Second Processing Time



DNA

- Establishes Familial Relationship
- Commonly Used in Law Enforcement
- Highly Unique/Impossible to Replicate

What about other biometrics?

Voice and fingerprints are just two forms of biometric identification. Other technologies that are currently in use and in development include:

- Heart-rate recognition, which uses the unique beat pattern of each person's heart.
- Vein-pattern recognition, which detects the unique pattern of your veins under your skin, typically in your hand, wrist and arm.
- Iris recognition, which uses a camera to photograph the pattern of your iris.
- Retina recognition, which works in a similar way to vein-pattern recognition but within the eye.

Quantum cryptography for mobile phones

Date: April 3, 2014

Source: University of Bristol

Summary: An ultra-high security scheme that could one day get quantum cryptography using Quantum Key Distribution into mobile devices has been developed and demonstrated. Secure mobile communications underpin our society and through mobile phones, tablets and laptops we have become online consumers. The security of mobile transactions is obscure to most people but is absolutely essential if we are to stay protected from malicious online attacks, fraud and theft.

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Application of Biometrics in Mobile Voting

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POGO Joins Right/Left Coalition Proposing \$38.6 Billion in Pentagon Savings



Marijuana Taxes Could Reach \$28 Billion

By [Douglas A. McIntyre](#) May 12, 2016 1:35 pm EDT

What would a mature, legal marijuana market yield in federal, state and local taxes? About \$28 billion per annum, according to the Tax Foundation. The information is in its new study, [Marijuana Legalization and Taxes: Federal Revenue Impact](#).

Some of the major findings:

- Marijuana tax collections in Colorado and Washington have exceeded initial estimates.
- A mature marijuana industry could generate up to \$28 billion in tax revenues for federal, state and local governments, including \$7 billion in federal revenue: \$5.5 billion from business taxes and \$1.5 billion from income and payroll taxes.
- A federal tax of \$23 per pound of product, similar to the federal tax on tobacco, could generate \$500 million per year. Alternatively, a 10% sales surtax could generate \$5.3 billion per year, with higher tax rates collecting proportionately more.
- The reduction of societal risk in being engaged in the marijuana trade, as well as the inclusion of taxes, will combine to reduce profits (and tax collections) somewhat from an initial level after national legalization.
- Society pays all the costs regardless of legality, but tax revenues help offset those costs.

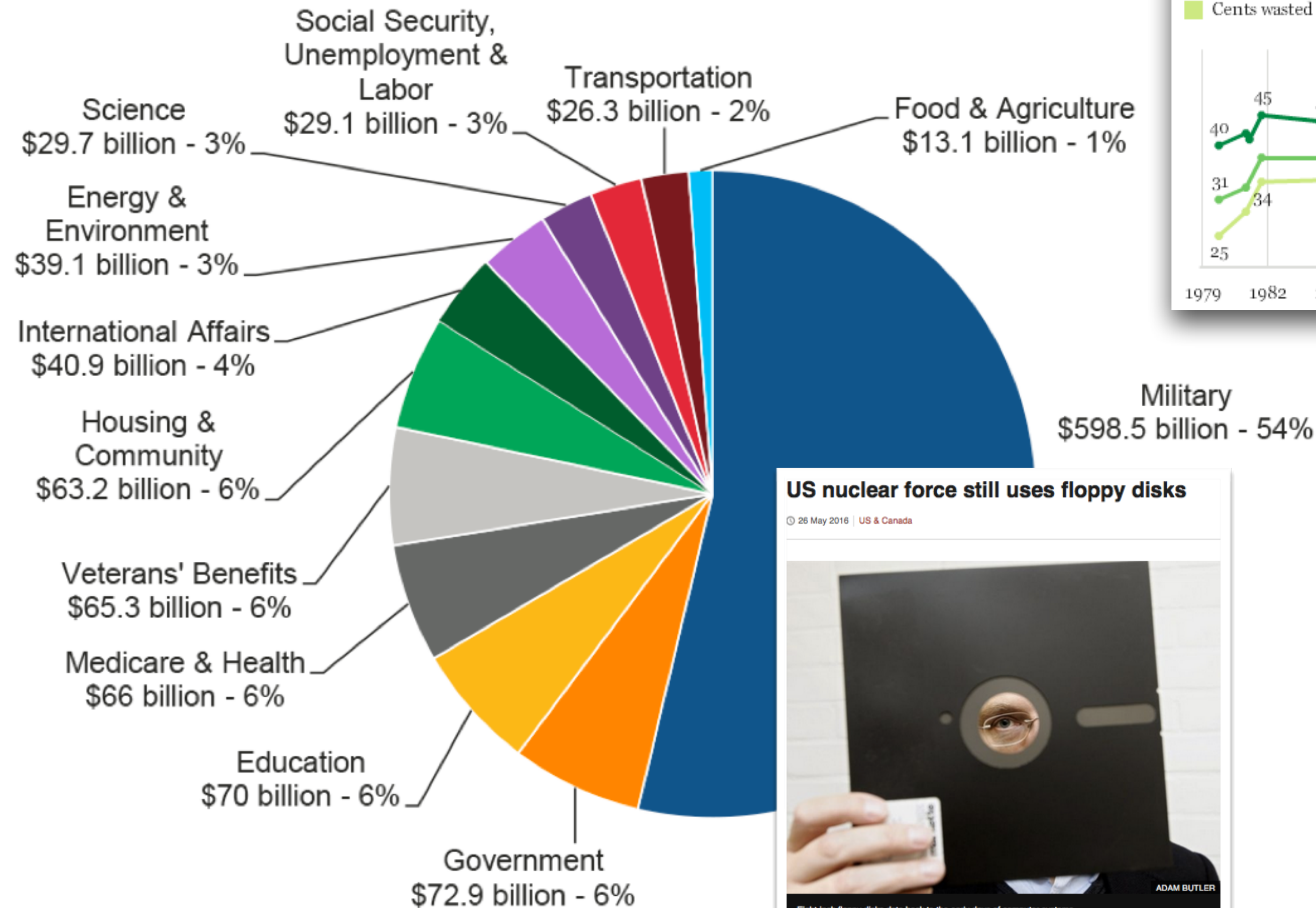
Are Taxpayers Being Shortchanged from Natural Resources Revenue?

Closing the loop of the 'Circular Economy' presents an opportunity for as much as \$4.5 TRILLION in economic growth...

The Department of Defense (DoD) office responsible for spending \$43 million on a gas station and \$150 million on luxury villas in Afghanistan might have wasted millions more on failed development projects, according to a new report by the Afghanistan reconstruction watchdog.

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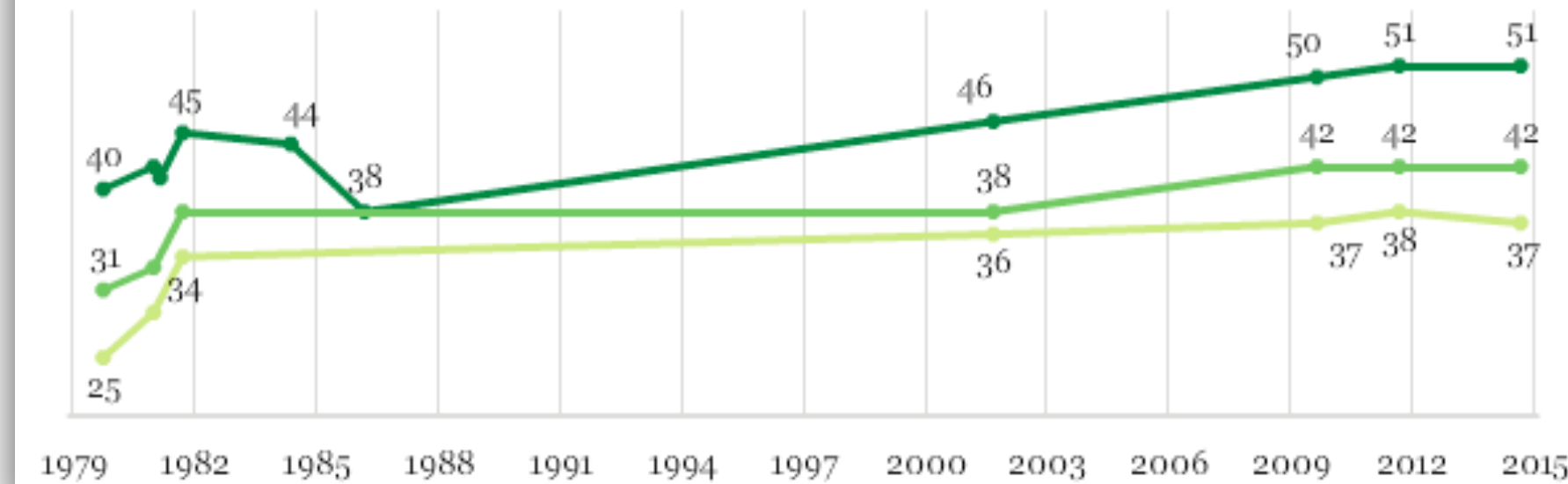
Discretionary Spending 2015: \$1.11 Trillion



Americans Say the Federal Government Wastes More of Each Tax Dollar Than They Say State and Local Governments Waste

How many cents of each tax dollar would you say are wasted?

■ Cents wasted by the federal government (mean) ■ Cents wasted by state government (mean)
■ Cents wasted by local government (mean)



... despite already being **\$308,800** in debt.



US nuclear force still uses floppy disks

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The US nuclear weapons force still uses a 1970s-era computer system and 8-inch floppy disks, a government report has revealed.

The median family income in the U.S. is **\$52,000.**

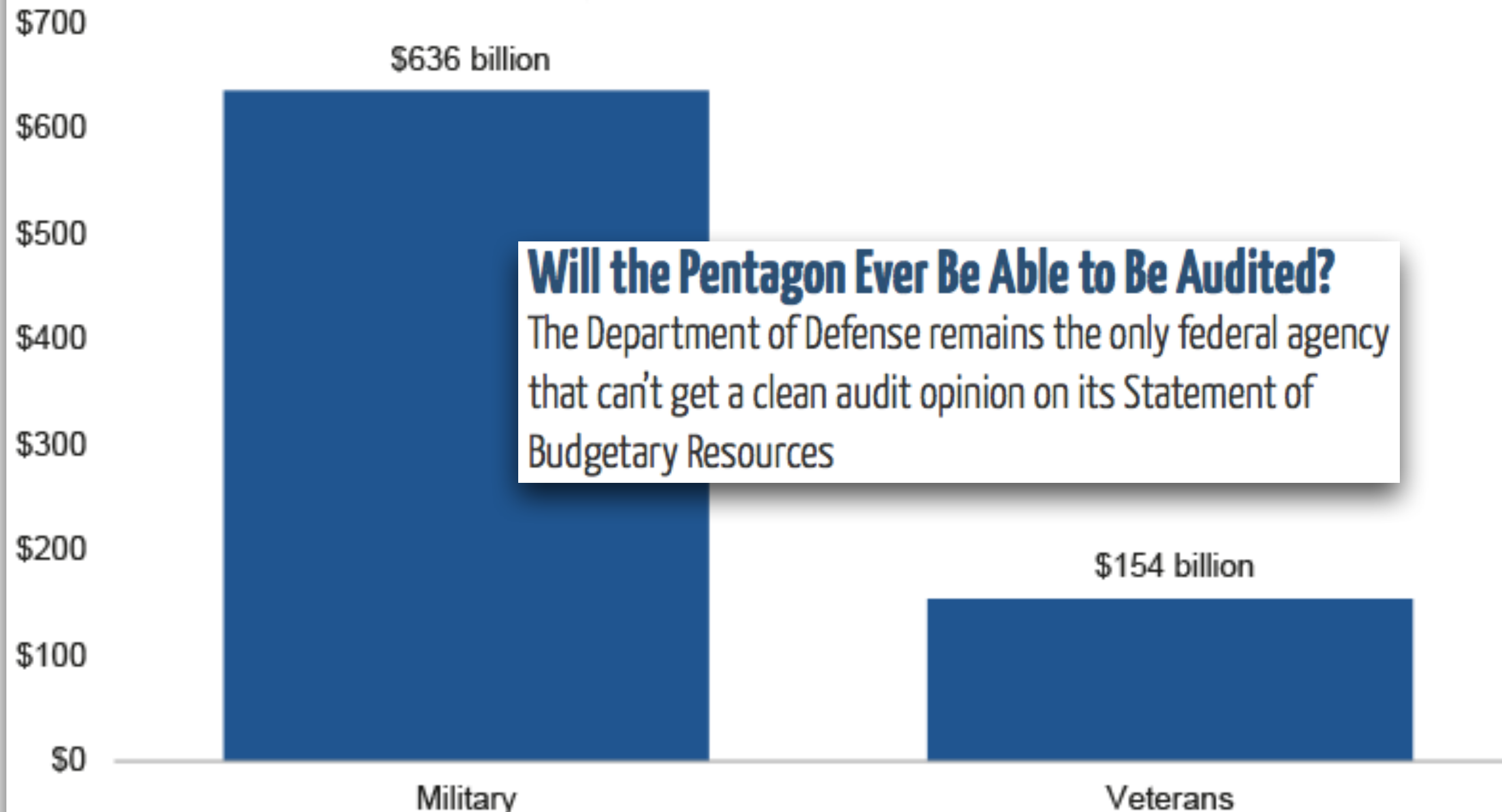
If they spent money like the federal government, they'd spend **\$60,400** a year ...

... which would mean they'd put **\$8,400** on the credit card every year ...



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Spending on the Military and on Veterans



Will the Pentagon Ever Be Able to Be Audited?

The Department of Defense remains the only federal agency that can't get a clean audit opinion on its Statement of Budgetary Resources

The problem is two-fold. First, there is the Pentagon acquisition system, which fails to deliver affordable and effective weapons on time. Then, this failed system is overseen by a Congress that rewards the waste with additional dollars for modernization at the cost of near- and medium-term readiness.

10 Companies Profiting the Most from War

1. **Lockheed Martin = \$36 billion**
 - [CEO compensation](#) = \$22 million (99:1 CEO-to-average worker pay ratio)
2. **Boeing = \$31 billion**
 - CEO compensation = \$29 million (198:1)
3. **BAE Systems = \$29 billion**
 - CEO compensation = \$4 million
4. **General Dynamics = \$23 billion**
 - CEO compensation = \$20 million (82:1)
5. **Raytheon = \$22 billion**
 - CEO compensation = \$11 million
6. **Northrop Grumman = \$21 billion**
 - CEO compensation = \$15 million (78:1)
7. **Airbus Group = \$16 billion**
 - CEO compensation = \$7 million
8. **Finmeccanica = \$14 billion**
 - CEO compensation = **\$\$\$ million**
9. **L-3 Communications = \$12 billion**
 - CEO compensation = \$10 million
10. **United Technologies = \$11 billion**
 - CEO compensation = \$10 million (81:1)

‘Top 10’ profit = **\$215 billion**

‘Top 100’ profit = **\$410 billion**

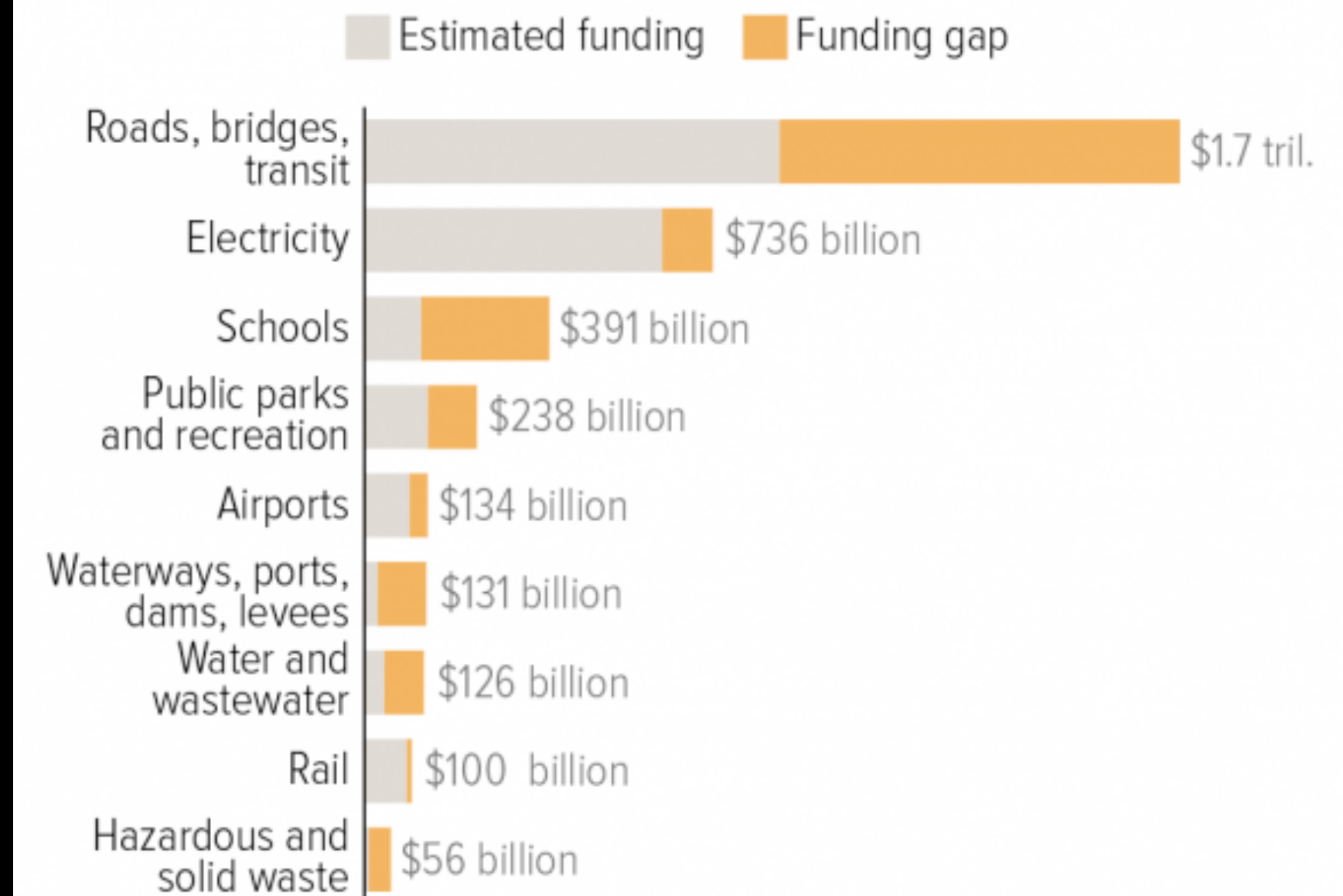
‘Top 10’ CEO’s compensation = **\$130 million**

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Public Infrastructure Has Been Neglected

Infrastructure needs, funded and unfunded, 2013-2020



Microsoft, Facebook Build Undersea Cable for Faster Internet

Facebook unveils solar-powered Aquila plane that will beam the internet to remote locations

Google submits patent application for real-time online voting system

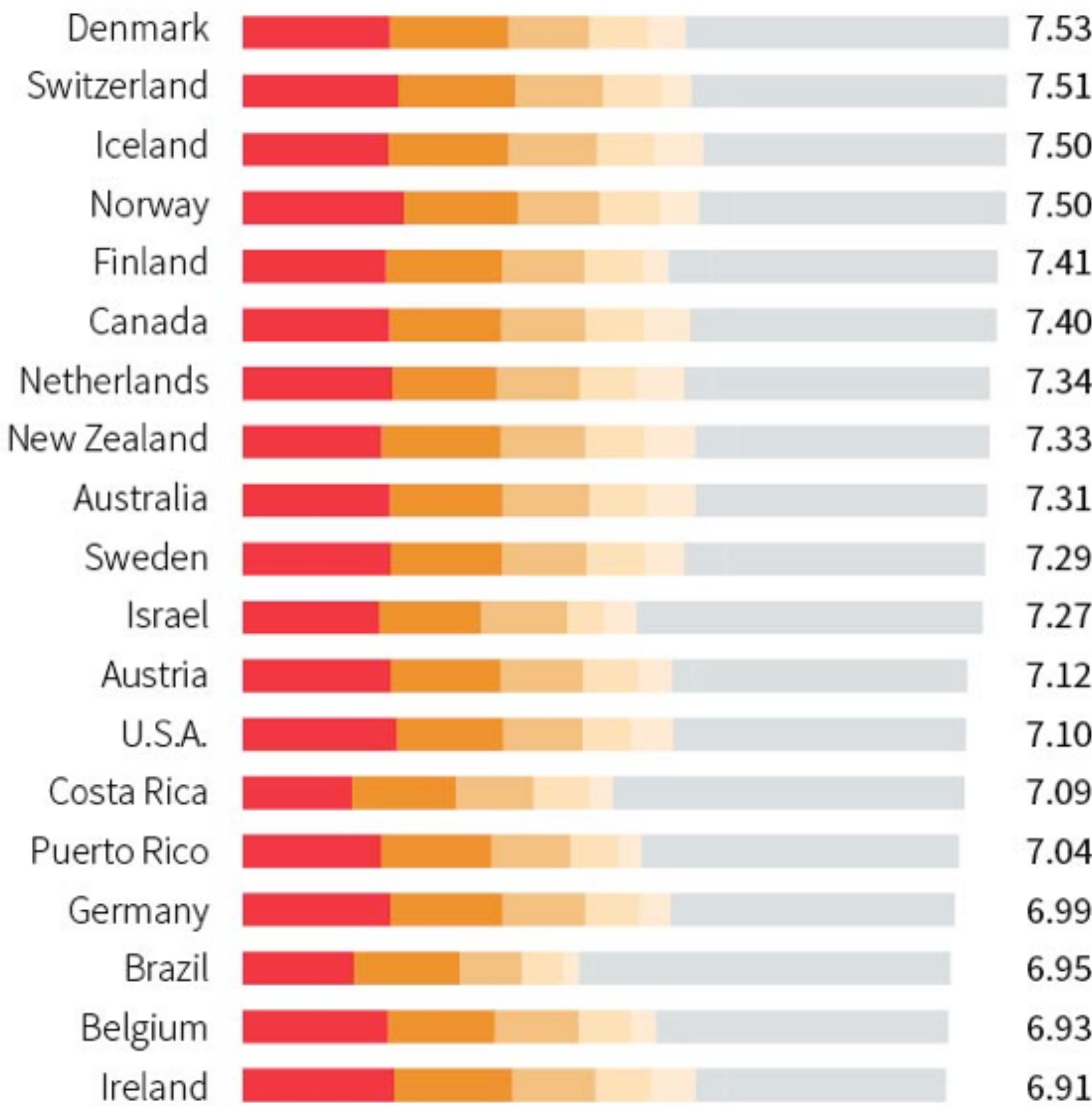
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World's happiness report

Residents of each country were asked to score their quality of life on a scale of 0 to 10.



TOP 20 RANKED COUNTRIES



WELLNESS			
(Click on hyperlinks below to see examples and more information.)			
EMOTIONAL	Daily Mental Health	Virtual Talk Therapy	Customized News & Alerts
ENVIRONMENTAL	Air Quality & Environmental Hazards	State of Emergency & Natural Disaster	Customized News & Alerts
FINANCIAL	Mobile Banking	Personal & Family Budgeting	Customized News & Alerts
INTELLECTUAL	Daily Brain Health	Mobile Education	Customized News & Alerts
OCCUPATIONAL	Career Planning & Skills Matchmaking	Professional Networking & Job Searching	Customized News & Alerts
PHYSICAL	Mobile Health (mHealth) & Telehealth	Personal Health Trackers	Customized News & Alerts
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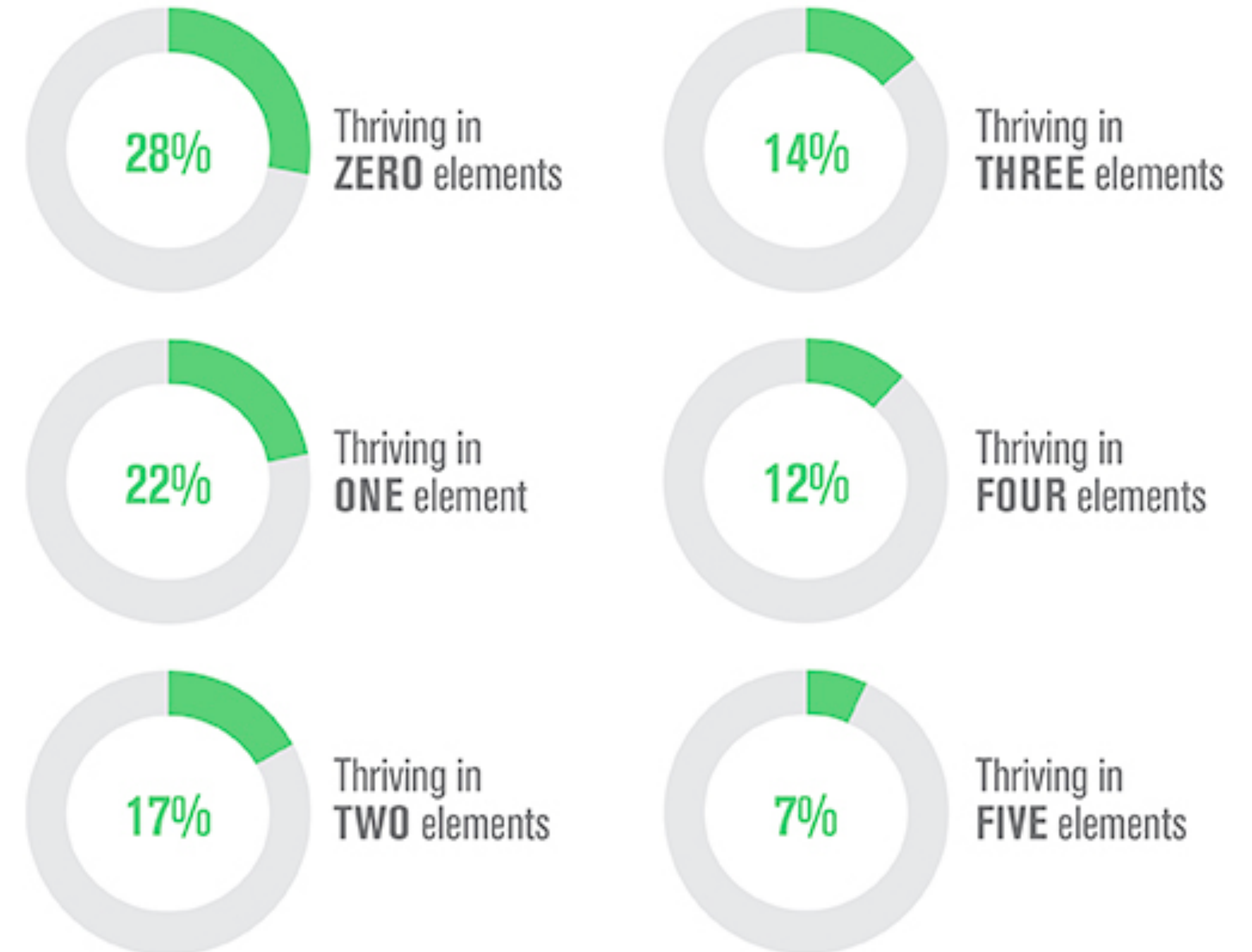
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These elements are the currency of a life that matters. They do not include every nuance of what's important in life, but they do represent five broad categories that are essential to most people.

- The first element is about how you occupy your time or simply liking what you do every day: your **Career Wellbeing**.
- The second element is about having strong relationships and love in your life: your **Social Wellbeing**.
- The third element is about effectively managing your economic life: your **Financial Wellbeing**.
- The fourth element is about having good health and enough energy to get things done on a daily basis: your **Physical Wellbeing**.
- The fifth element is about the sense of engagement you have with the area where you live: your **Community Wellbeing**.

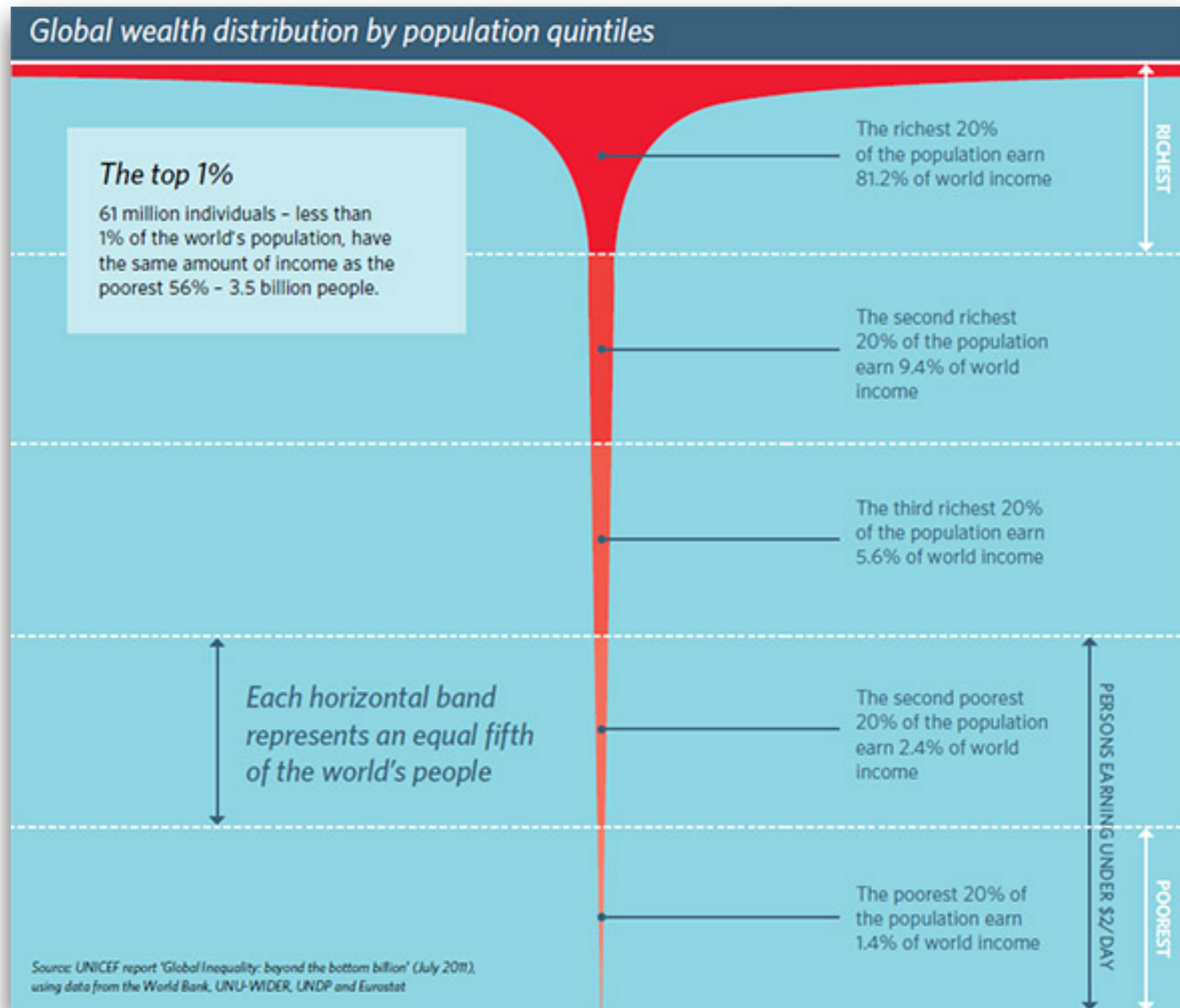
While 66% of people are doing well in at least one of these areas, just 7% are thriving in all five. If we're struggling in any one of these domains, as most of us are, it damages our wellbeing and wears on our daily life. When we strengthen our wellbeing in any of these areas, we will have better days, months, and decades. But we're not getting the most out of our lives unless we're living effectively in all five.

THE U.S. WELL-BEING GAP



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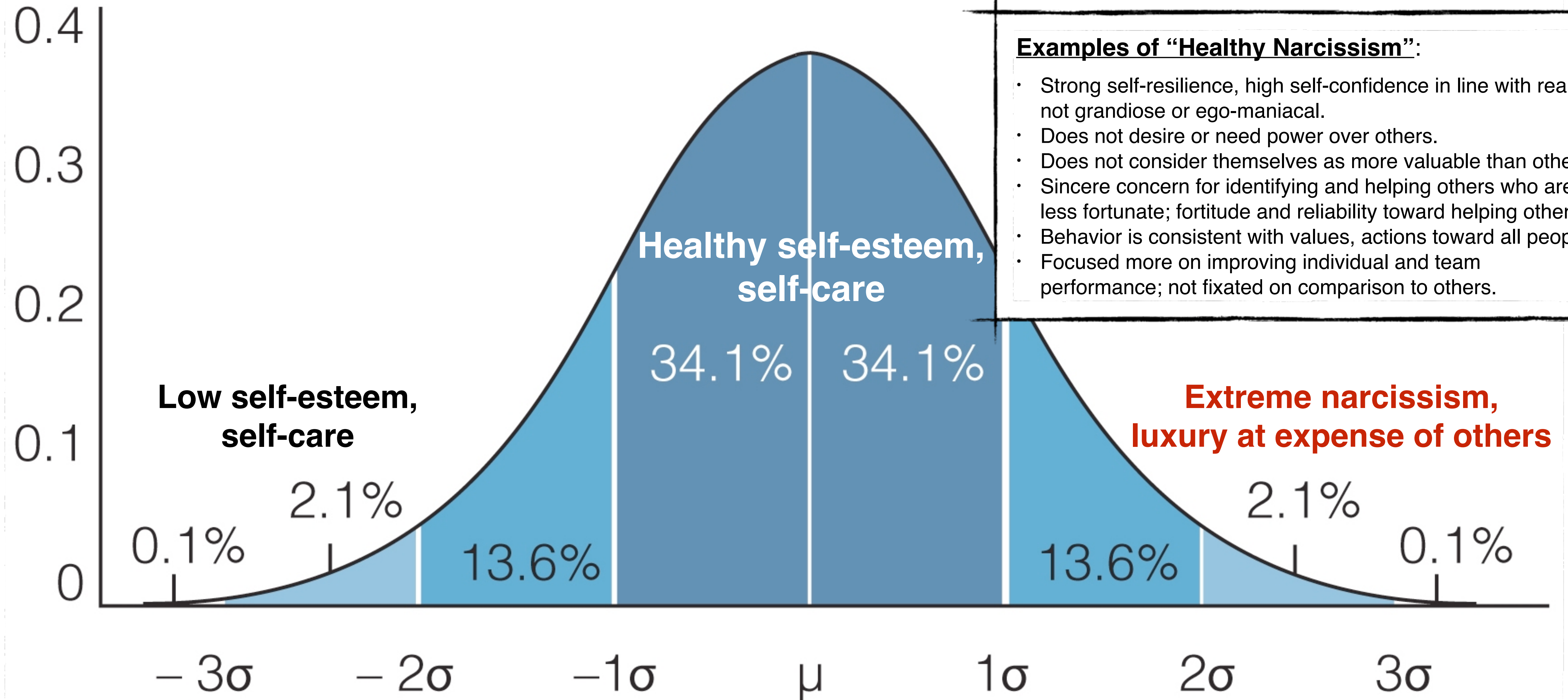
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Why Narcissism, Greed and Power Go Hand in Hand



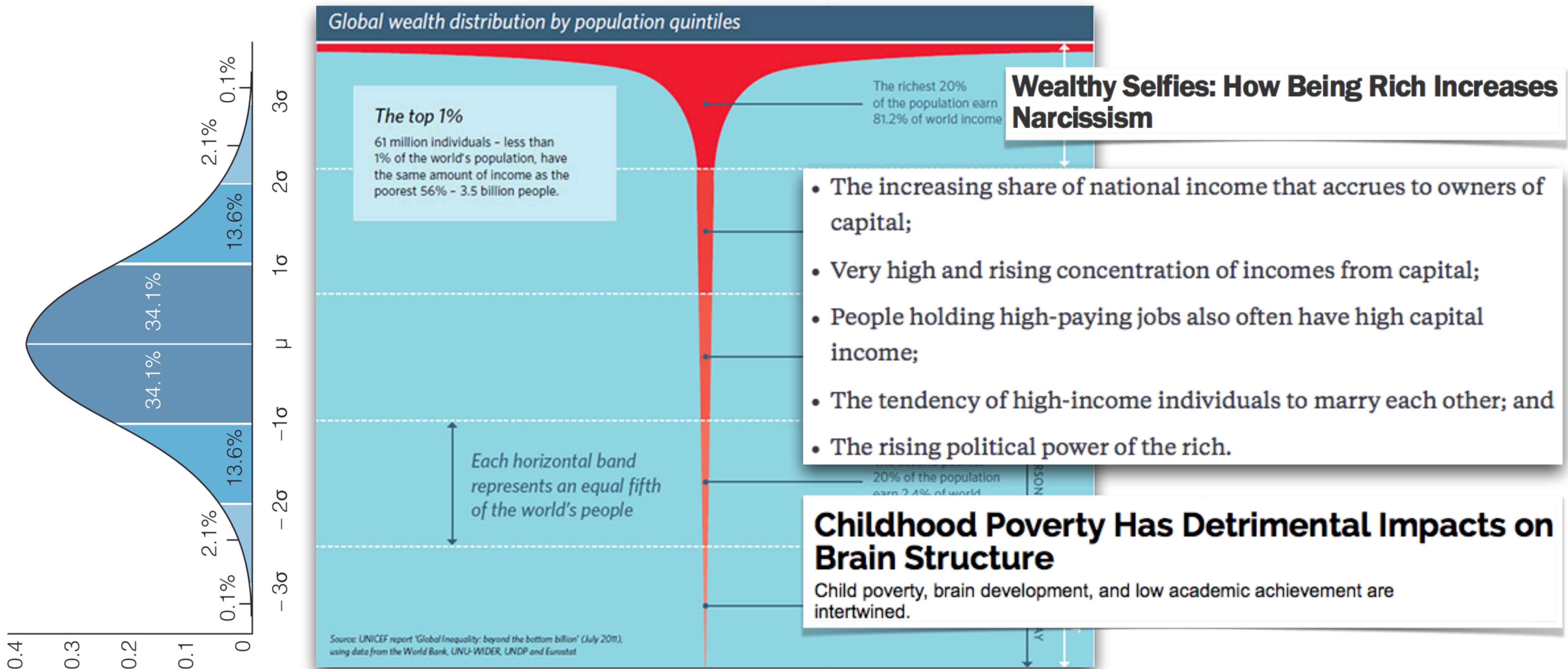
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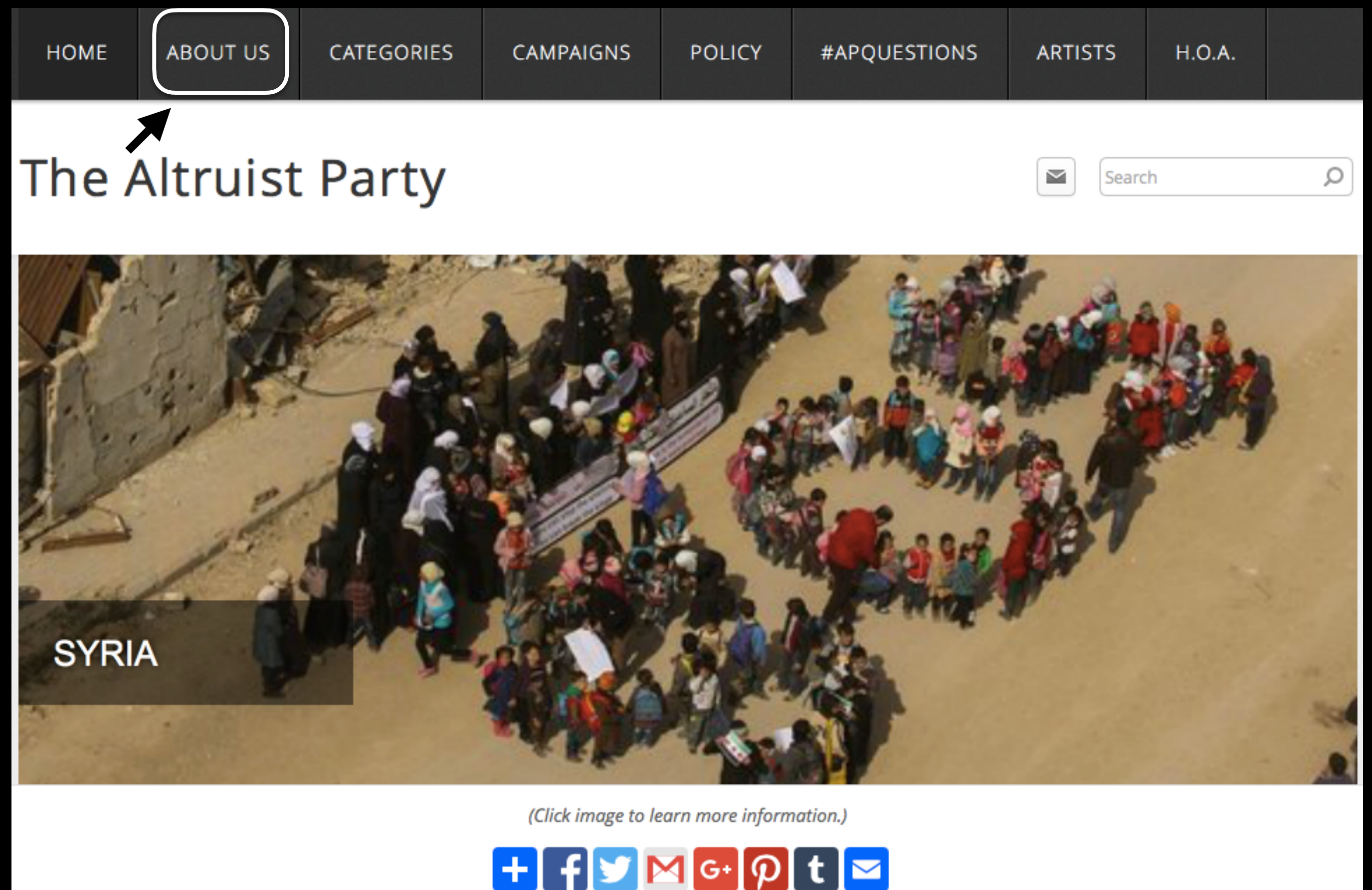
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