

The 2018 Jewish Federation of Metropolitan Detroit Population Study:

Twelve Major Findings

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Topics Covered in the Study

- 1.** Survey Methodology
- 2.** Jewish Population Size
- 3.** Geographic Profile
- 4.** Demographic Profile
- 5.** Religious Profile
- 6.** Types of Marriage
- 7.** Membership Profile
- 8.** Jewish Education: Adults
- 9.** Jewish Education: Children
- 10.** Jewish Agencies
- 11.** Social Service Needs
- 12.** Israel
- 13.** Anti-Semitism
- 14.** The Media
- 15.** Philanthropic Profile
- 16.** Political Profile

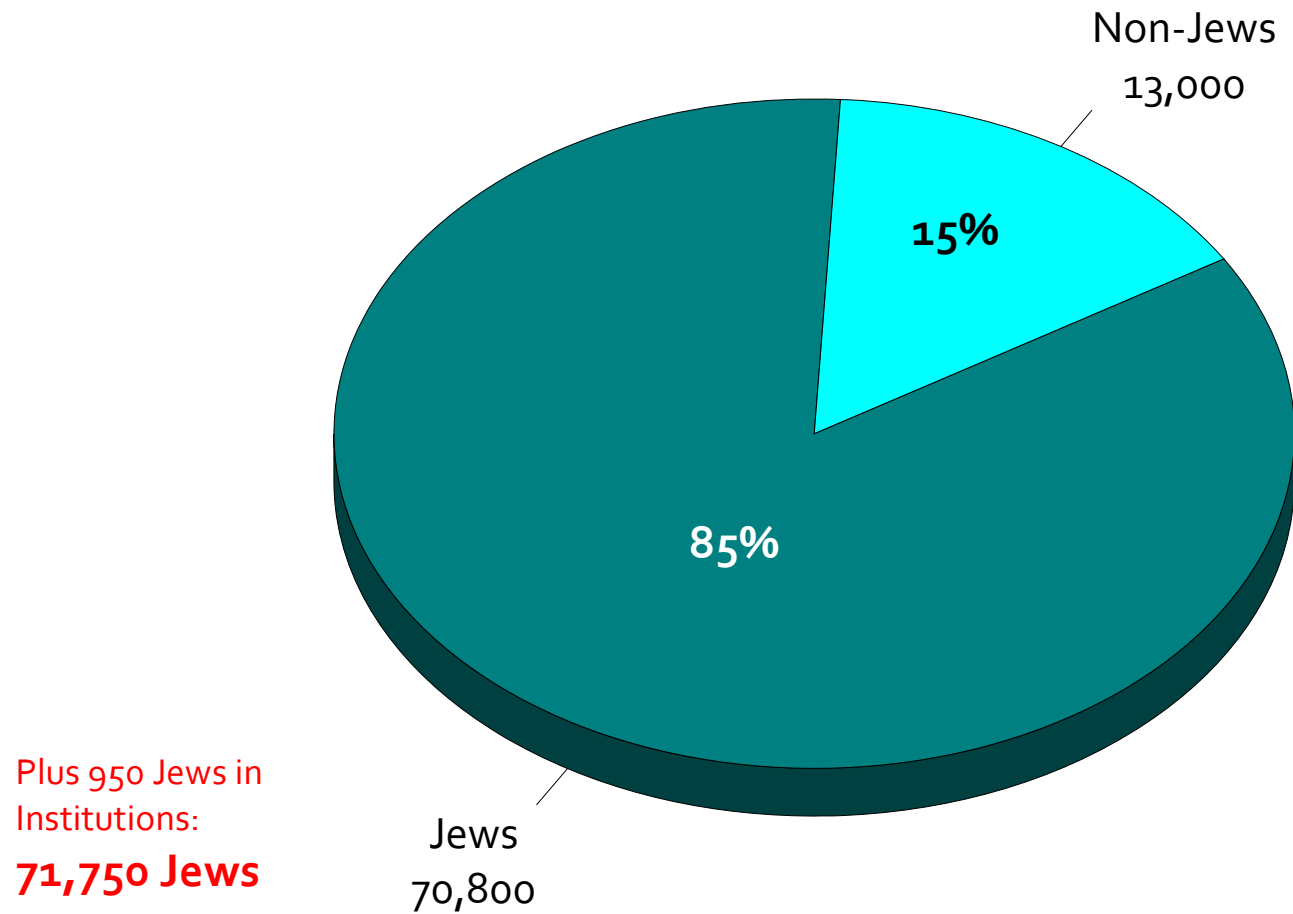
Resources Available to the Community

- 1.** Main Report (1,200+ pages)
- 2.** Summary Report (180 pages)
- 3.** Slides (1,000+)
- 4.** Posted at www.jewishdetroit.org and www.jewishdatabank.org

Finding 1: Planning should assume that the Jewish population will remain relatively constant in the next years.

The Jewish Community of Detroit

83,800 persons live in 31,500 Jewish households,
of whom 70,800 persons are Jewish



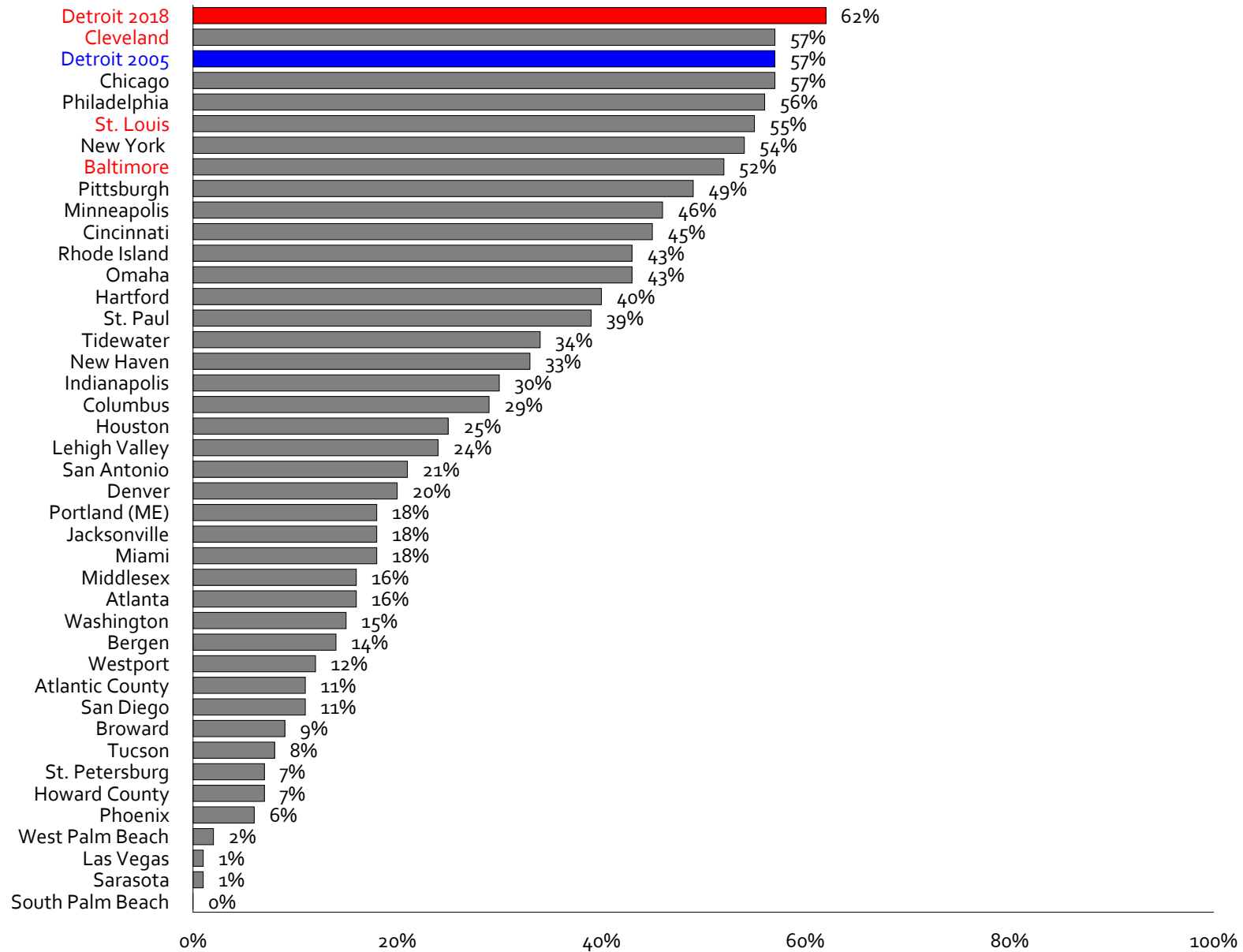
Plus 950 Jews in
Institutions:
71,750 Jews

Changes in the Size of the Jewish Community of Detroit - 1989-2018

Number of	1989 Estimate	2005 Estimate	2018 Estimate	Increase 2005-2018
Households	42,500	30,000	31,500	1,500
Persons in Jewish Households	105,000	78,000	83,800	5,800
Jews	96,000	71,500	70,800	-700
% of Persons in Jewish Households Who Are Jewish	91%	92%	84%	

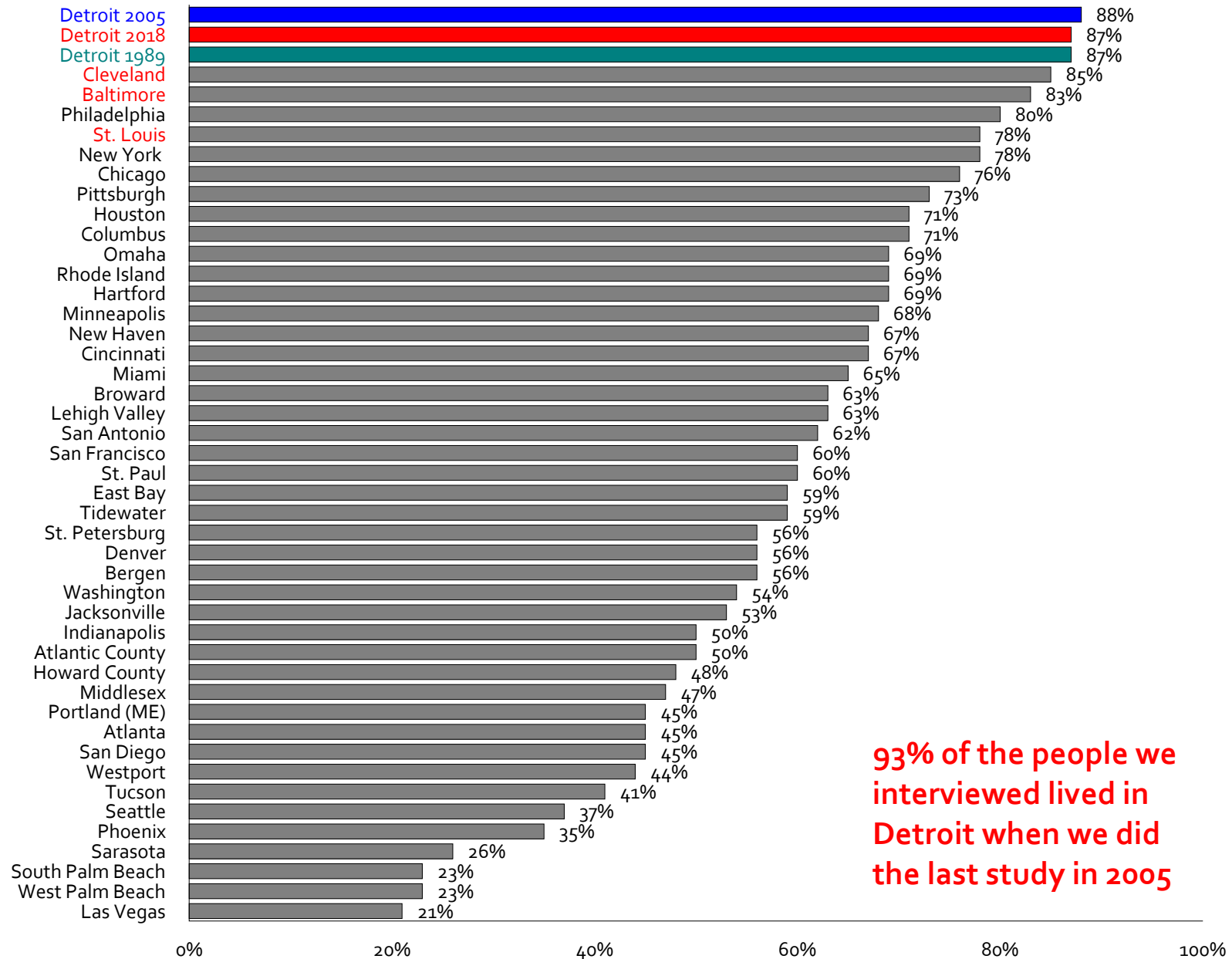
Locally Born

(Adults in Jewish Households)

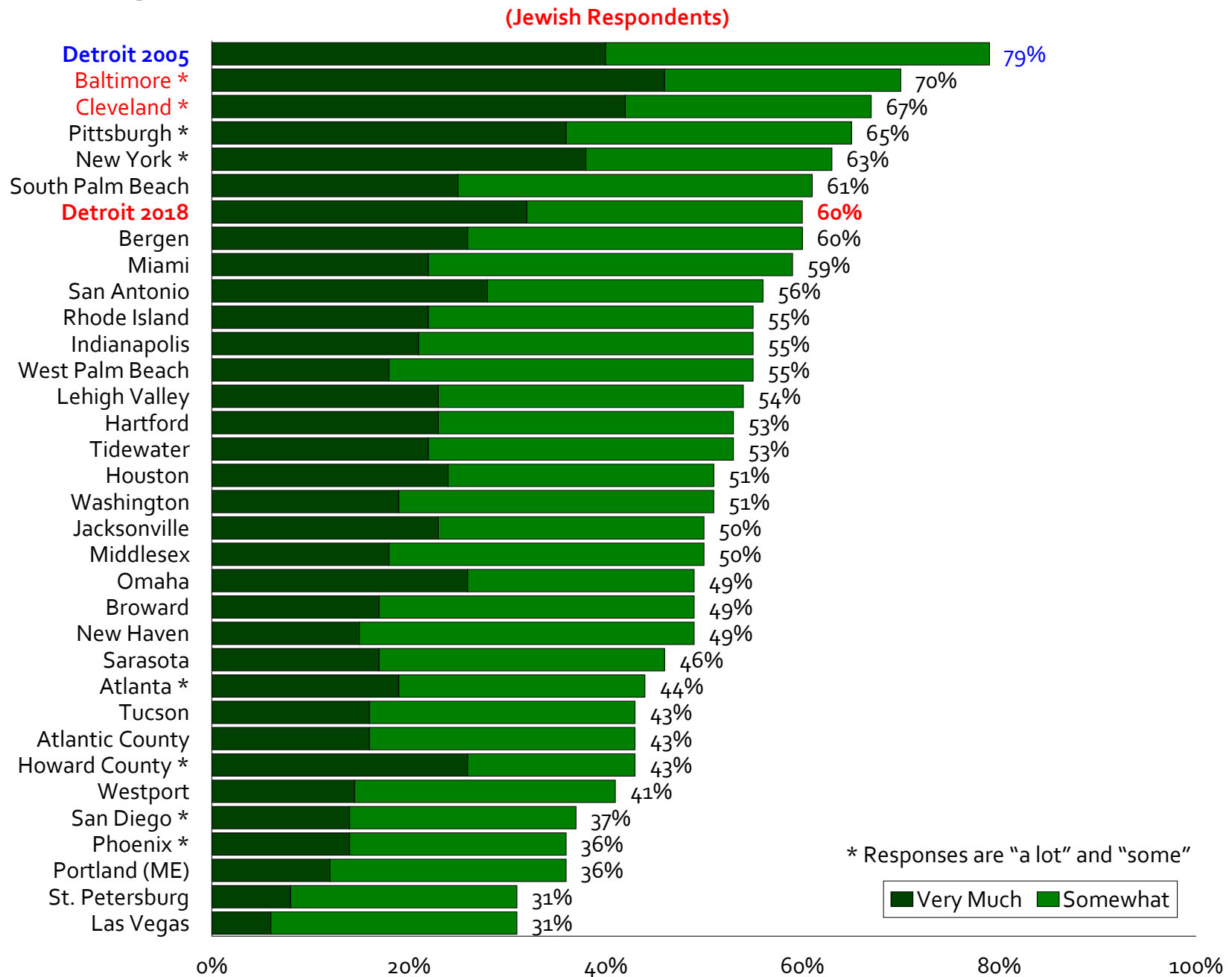


Long-Term Households (20 or More Years)

(Respondents)



9 Feel Very Much/Somewhat Part of the Local Jewish Community



Migration of Jewish Households

Average Annual In-Migration

****220 households moved in each year during the past five years**

Projected Average Annual Out-Migration

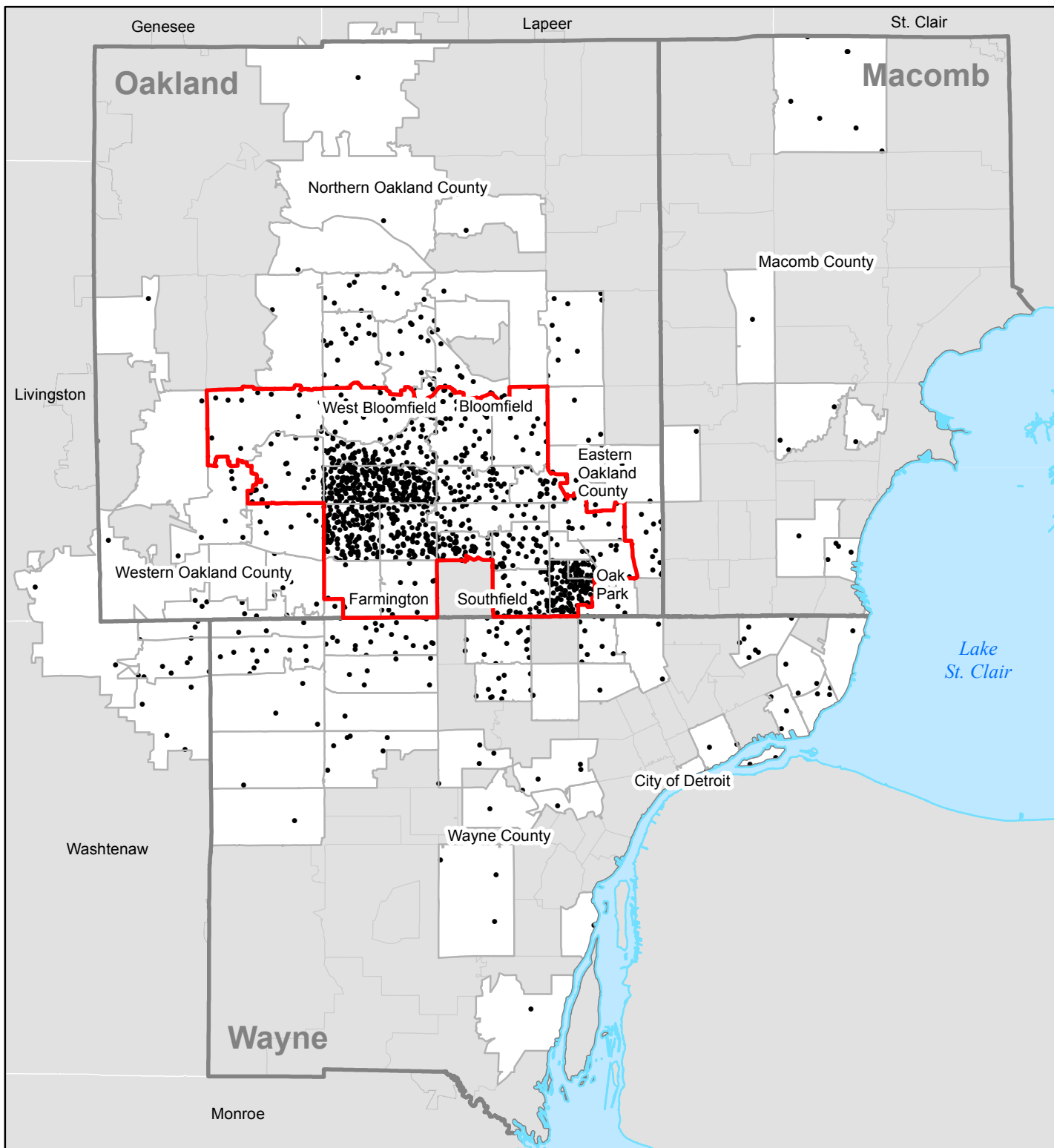
**** 100 households definitely moving out of Detroit each year during the next three years**

****535 households probably moving out of Detroit each year during the next three years**

Projected Change

****the Jewish population should not change *significantly* in the next few years as a result of migration**

Finding 2: While there remains a significant concentration of Jews in the Core Area, a geographic shift is occurring in the Jewish population.



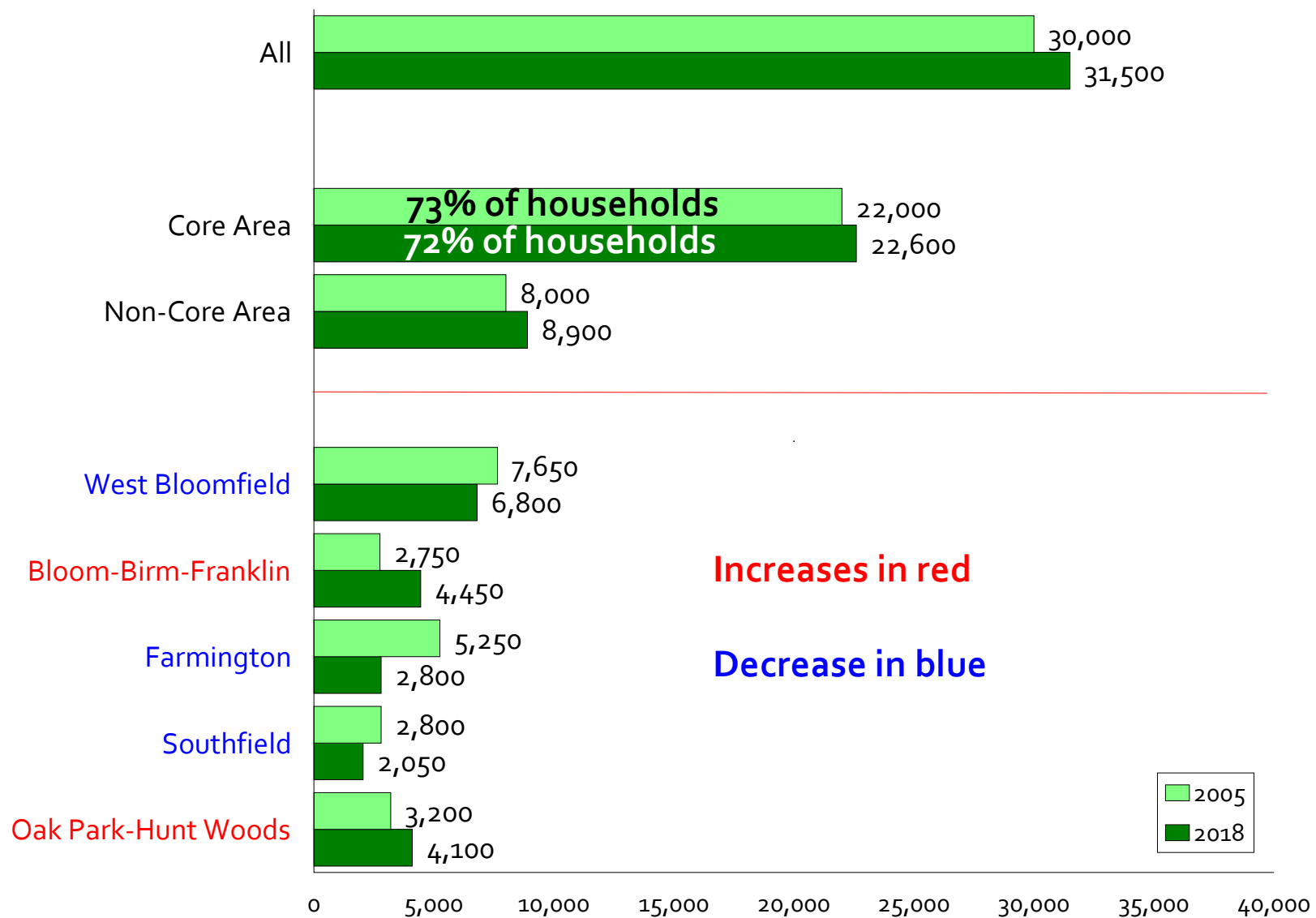
Distribution of Jewish Households Detroit 2018

1 Dot = 20 Households

Core 

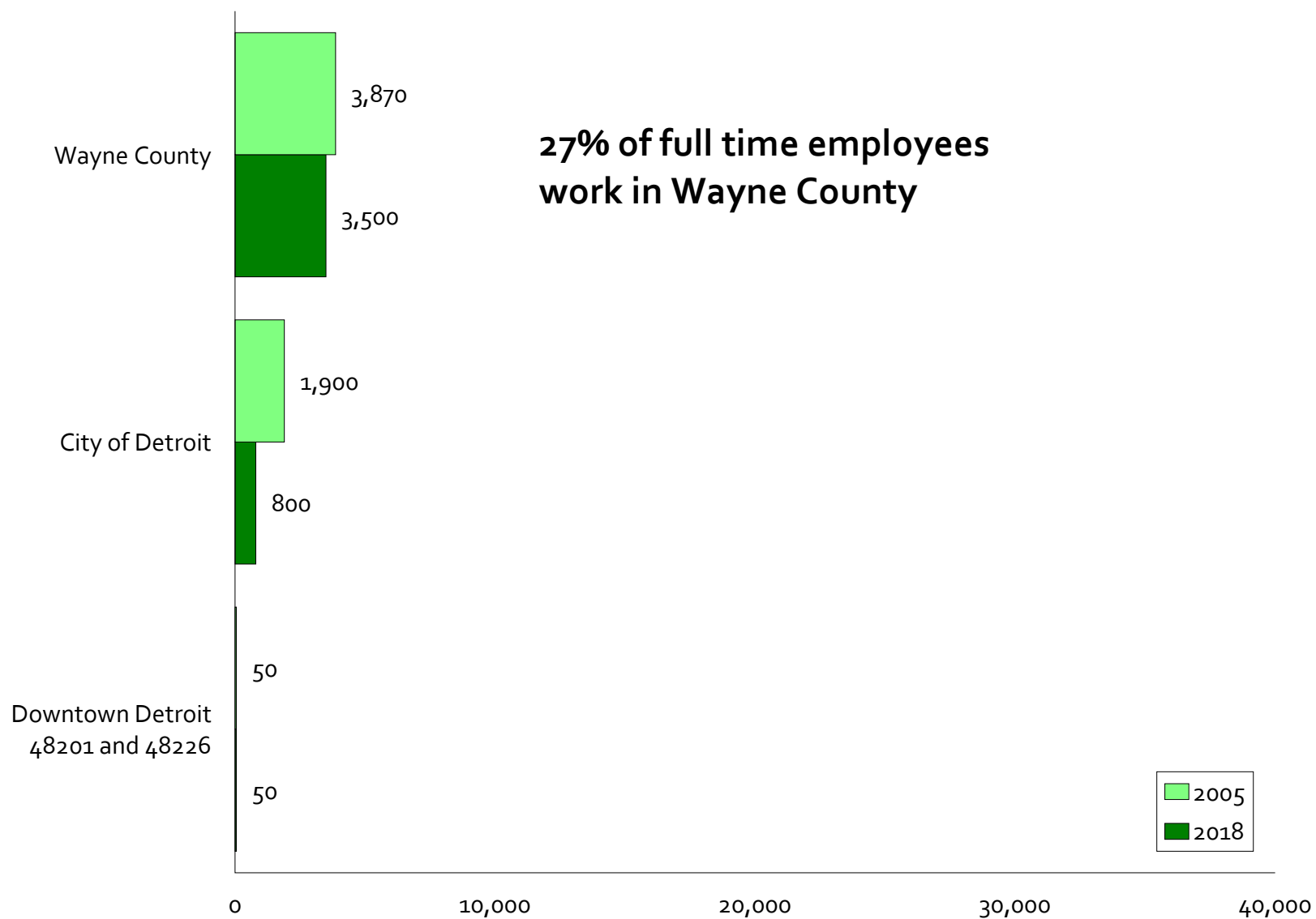
Jewish Households 2005-2018

(Respondents)



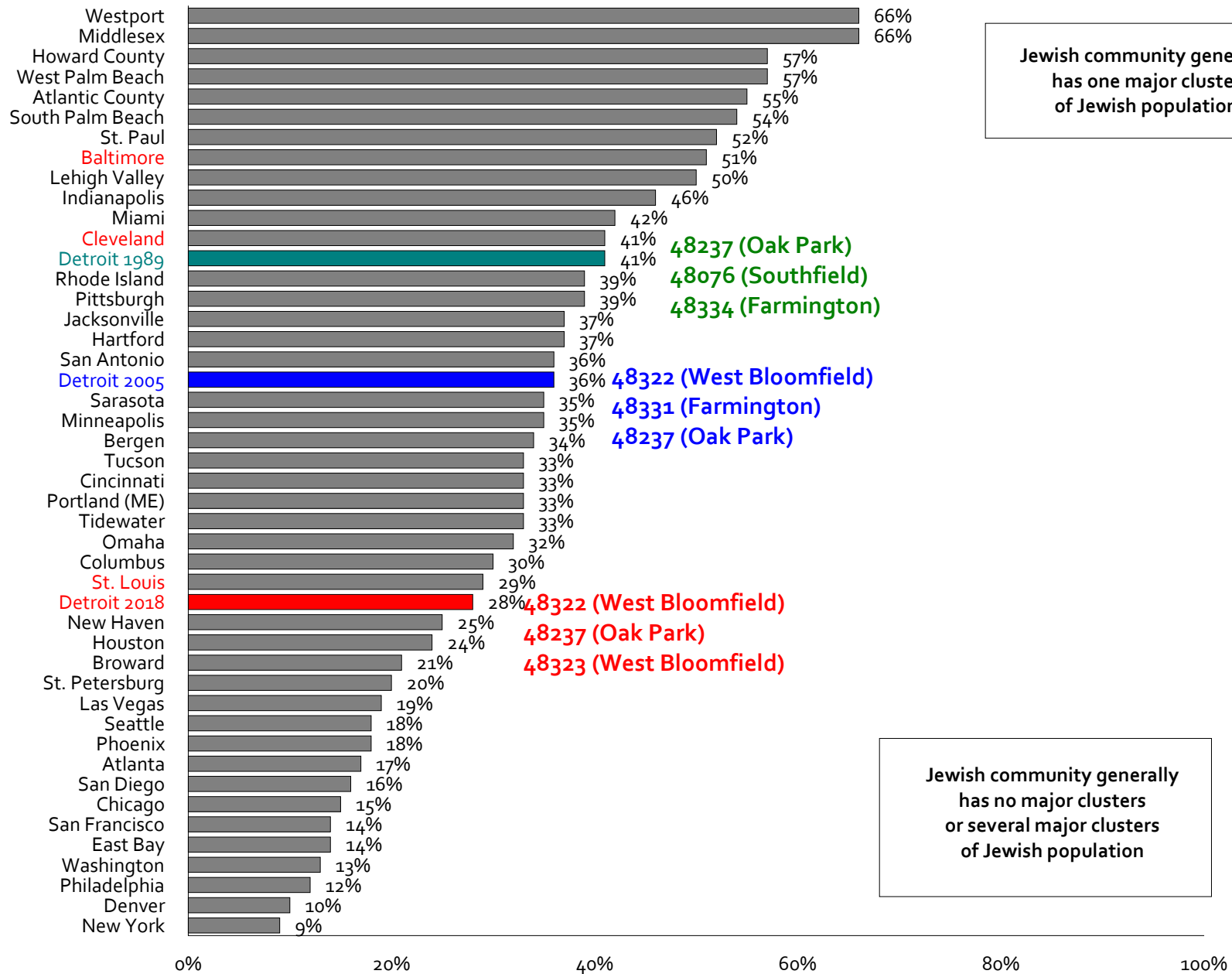
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(Respondents)



Households in Top Three Zip Code Areas

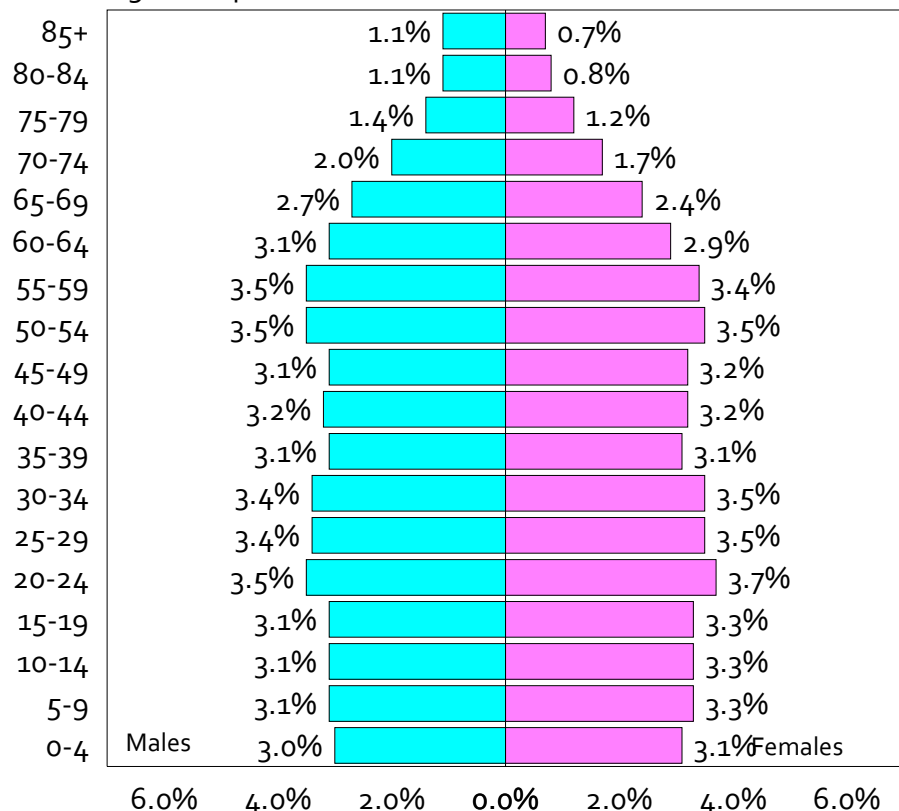
(Jewish Households)



Finding 3: A significant change has occurred in the age distribution since 2005 in part due to young Jews getting married later.

17 Age Distribution-All Americans - 2016

Age Group

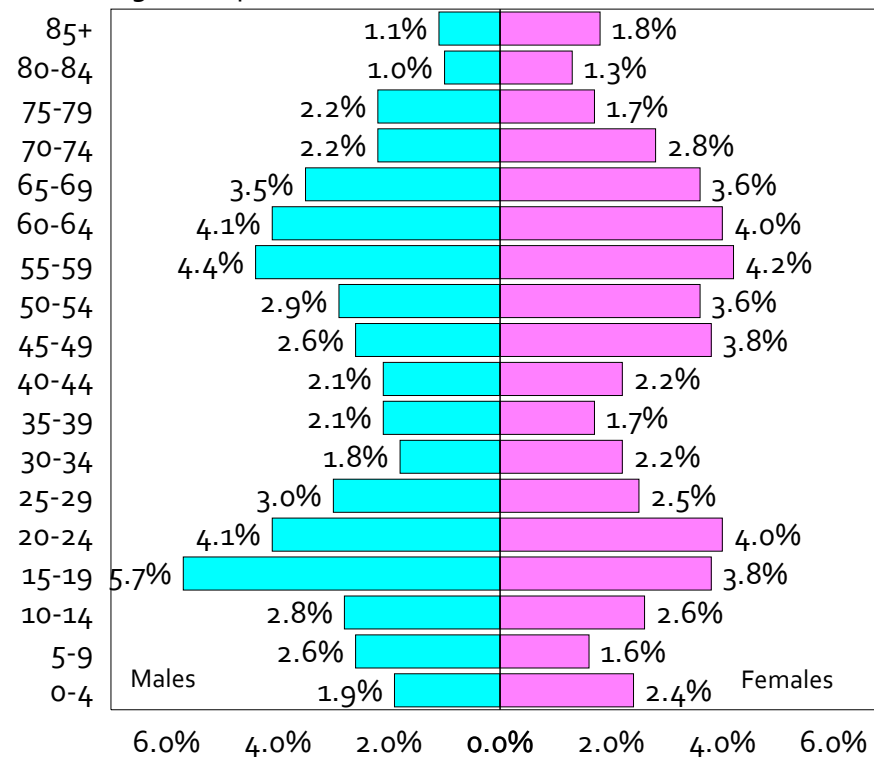


Median Age is 38 Years
14% are Age 65 and Over
6% are Age 75 and Over

Median Age is 46 Years
21% are Age 65 and Over
9% are Age 75 and Over

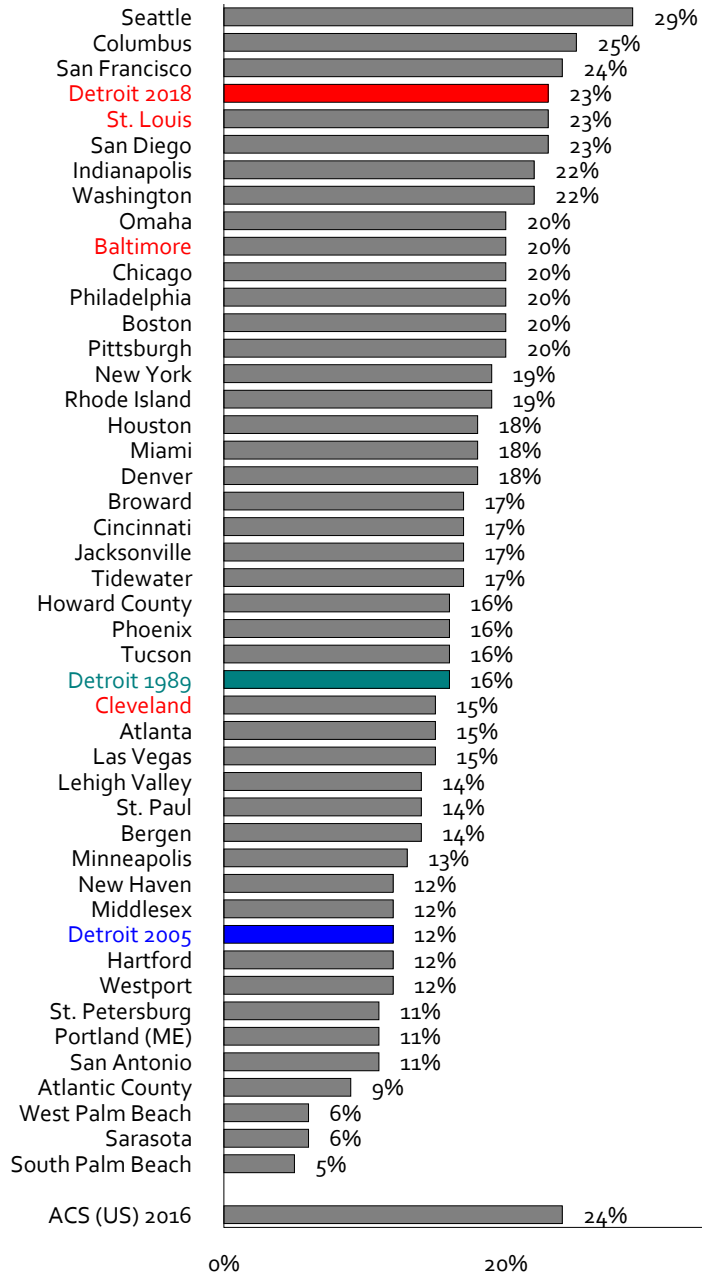
Age Distribution-Detroit Jewish Community

Age Group



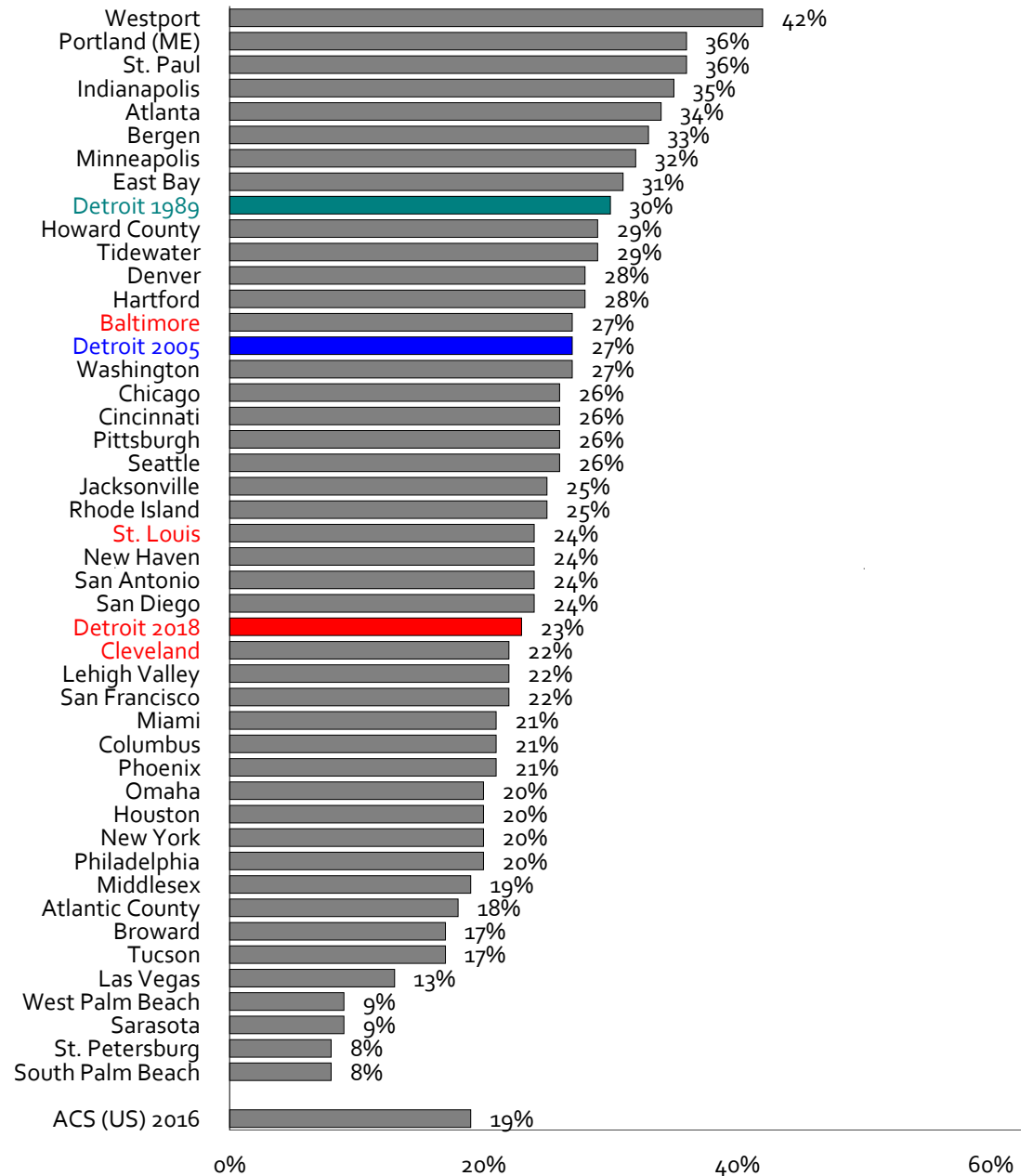
Age 18-34

(Persons in Jewish Households)



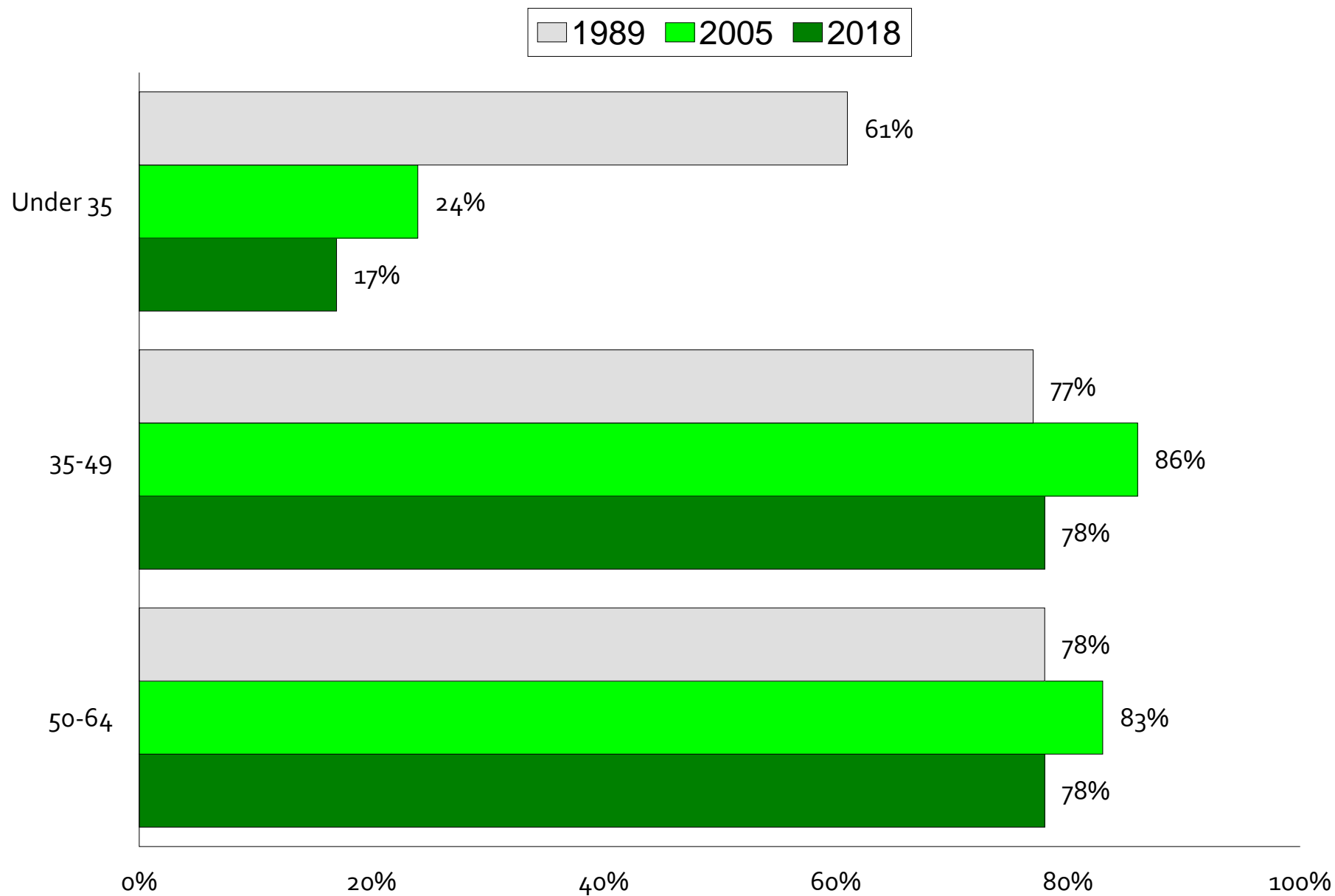
Married Households with Children Age 0-17 at Home

(Jewish Households)



Currently Married, 1989-2018

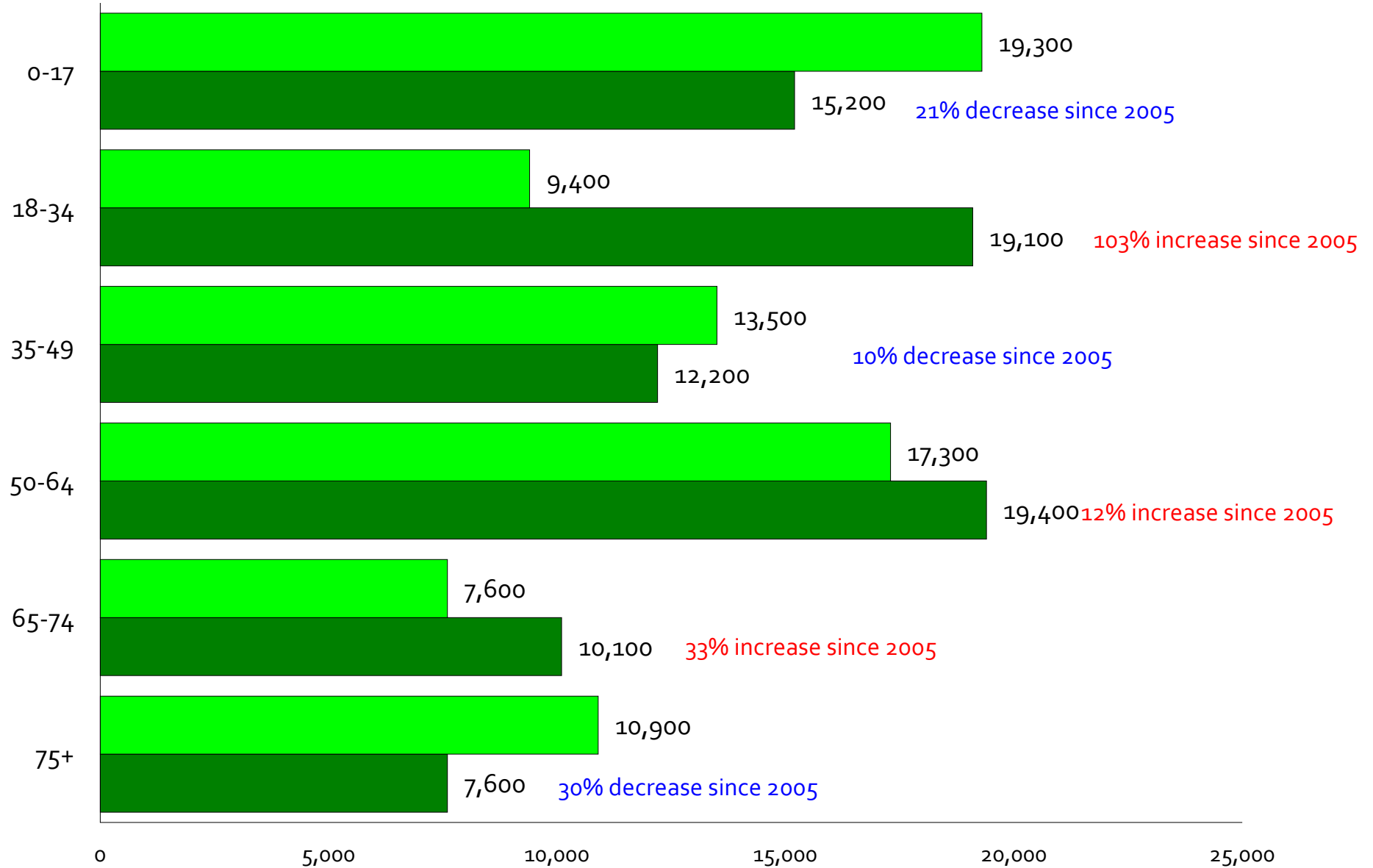
(Adults in Jewish Households)



Changes in Age Over Time

(Persons in Jewish Households)

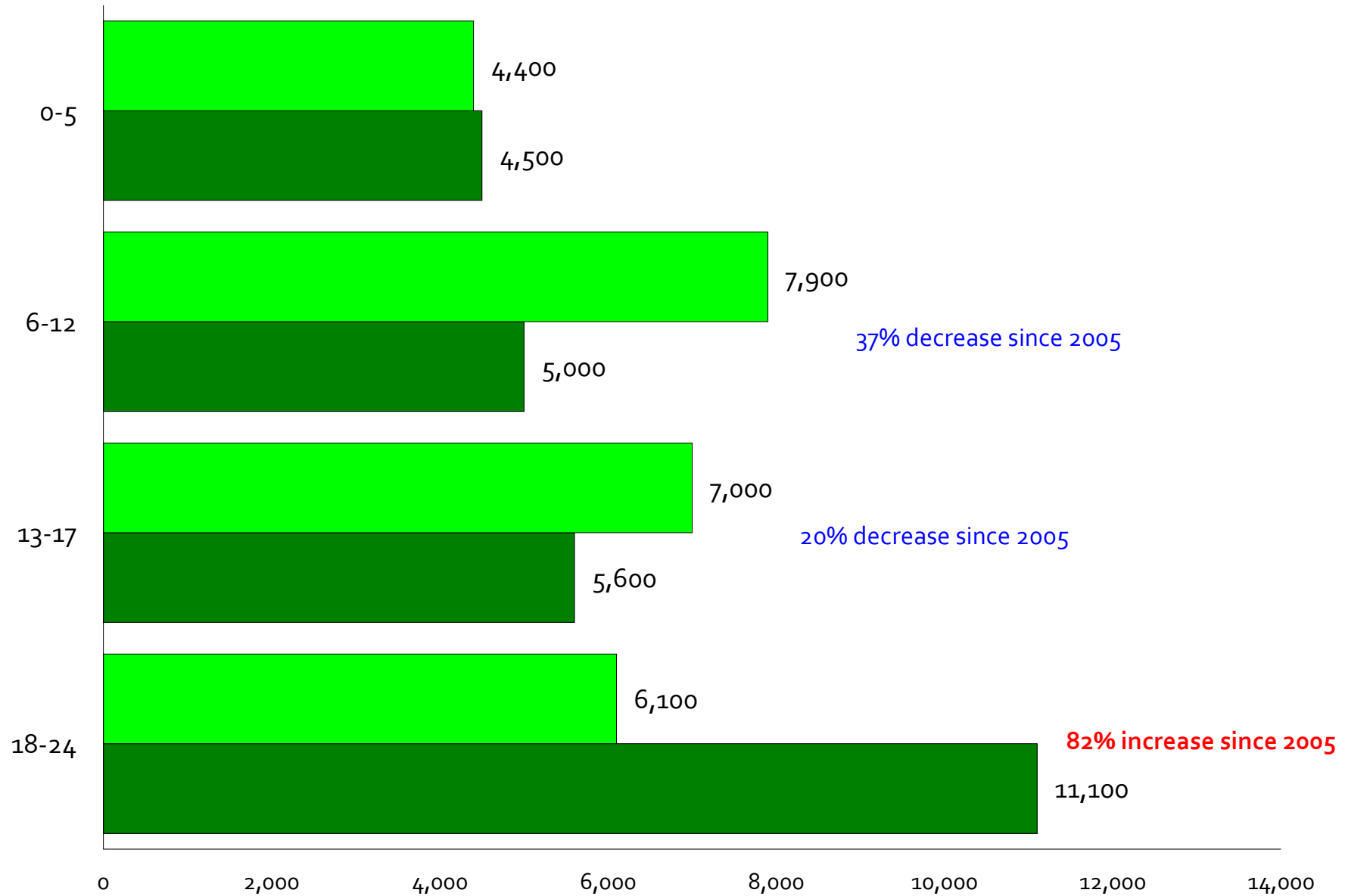
2005 2018



Changes in Age of Children and College-Age Over Time

(Persons in Jewish Households)

2005 2018



Finding 4: Many fewer persons age 75 and over live alone than in 2005.

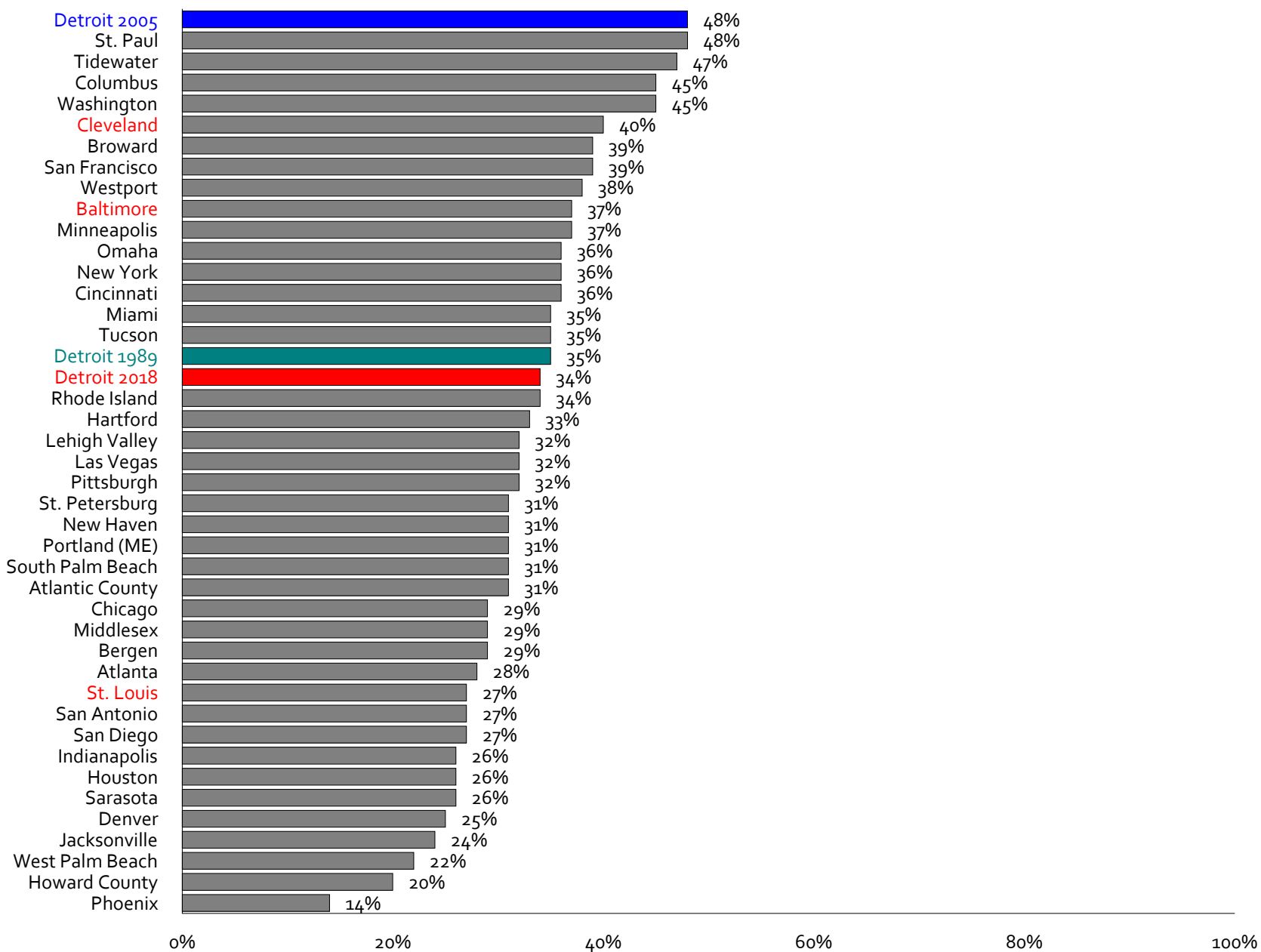
The number of persons age 75 and over is down by 30%.
A high percentage have a local adult child.

Data available from public sources suggest that baby boomers will be healthier than the generations before it.

This probably means a reduced need for social services for the population age 75 and over when the baby boomers start to enter this age group in 2020.

Persons Age 75 and Over Who Live Alone

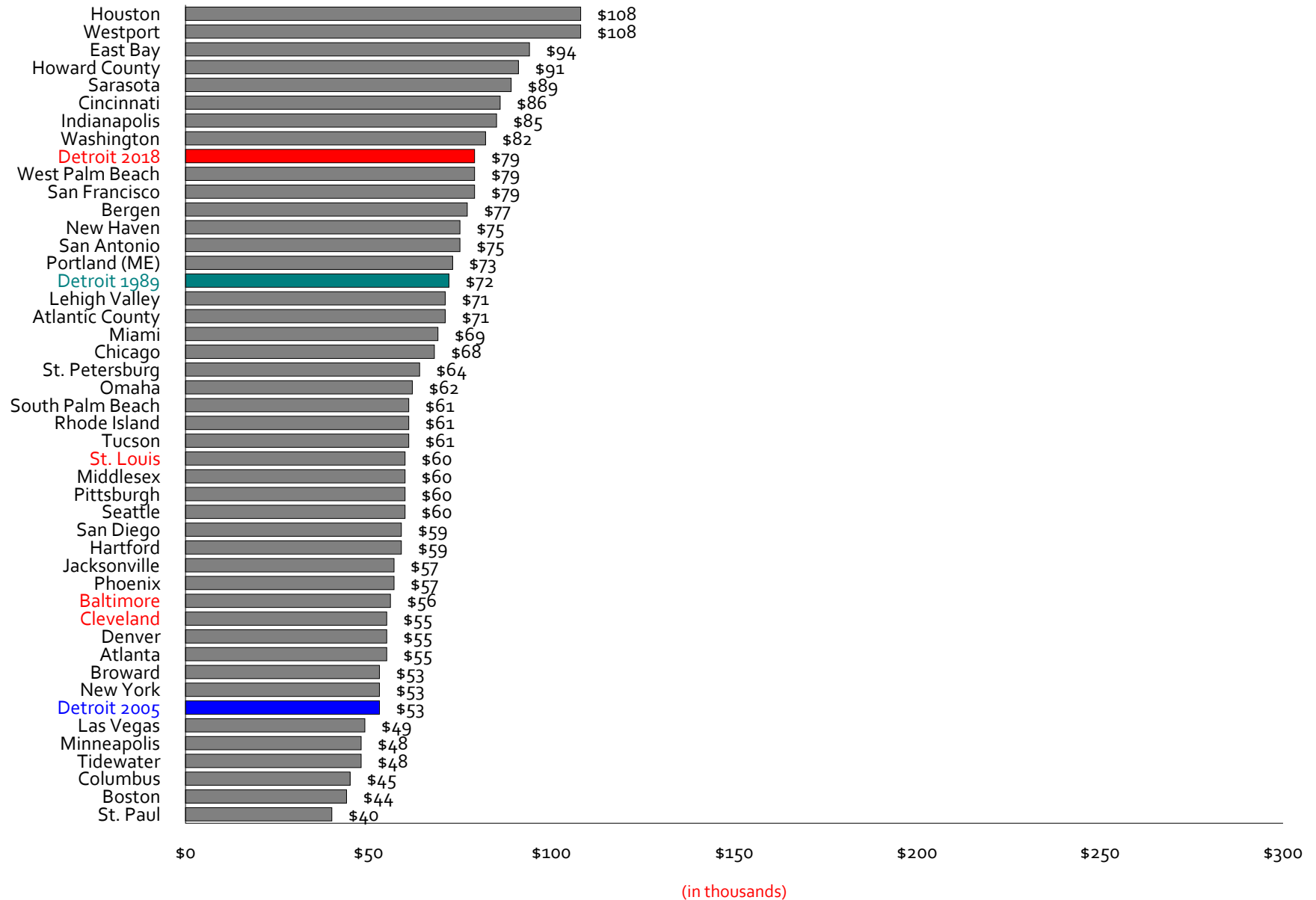
(Persons Age 75 and Over in Jewish Households)



Median Household Income of Households Age 65 and Over

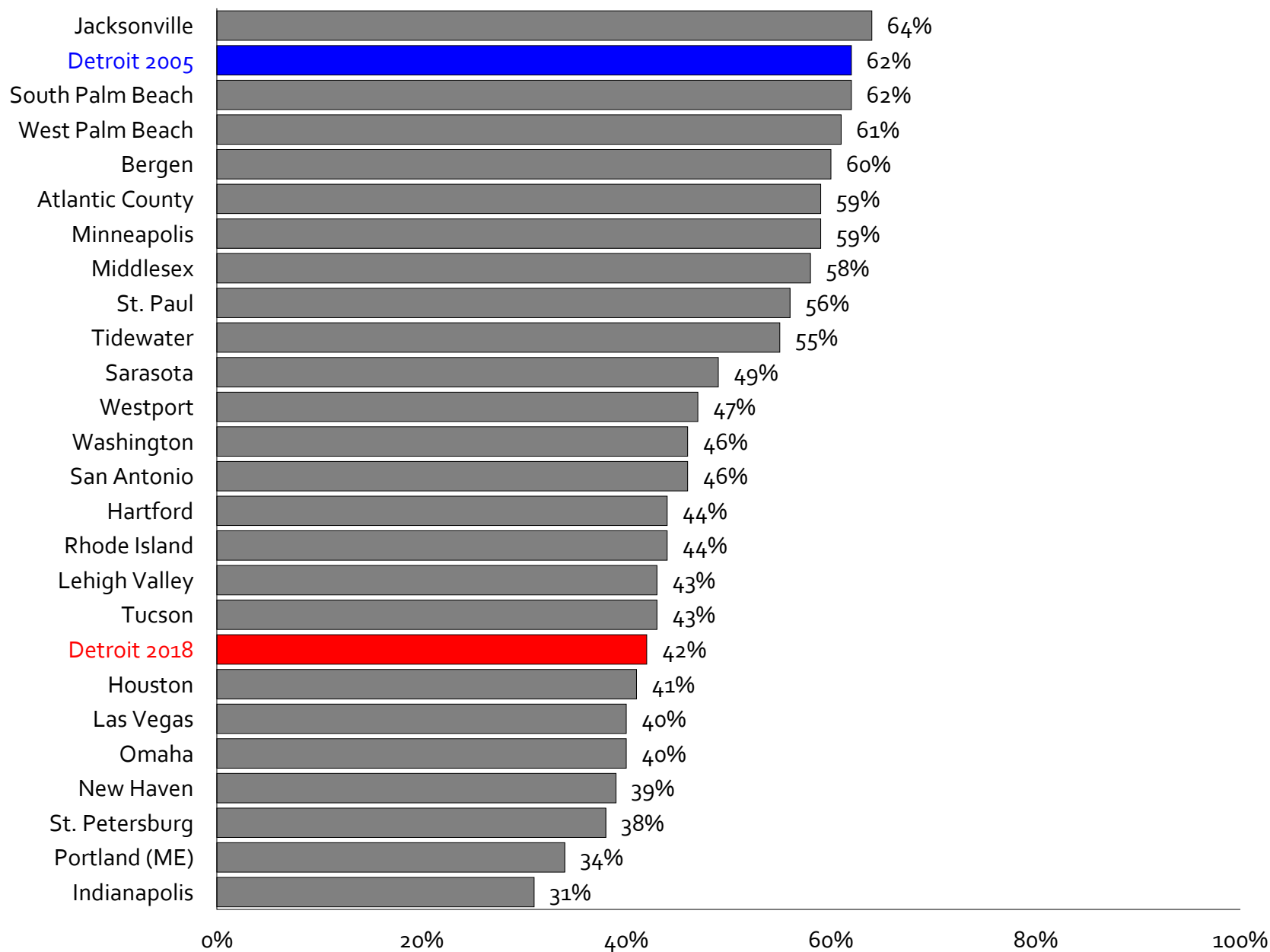
(Jewish Households with Persons Age 65 and Over)

(Adjusted for inflation to 2017 dollars)



25 Very Much Prefer Jewish-Sponsored Adult Care Facilities

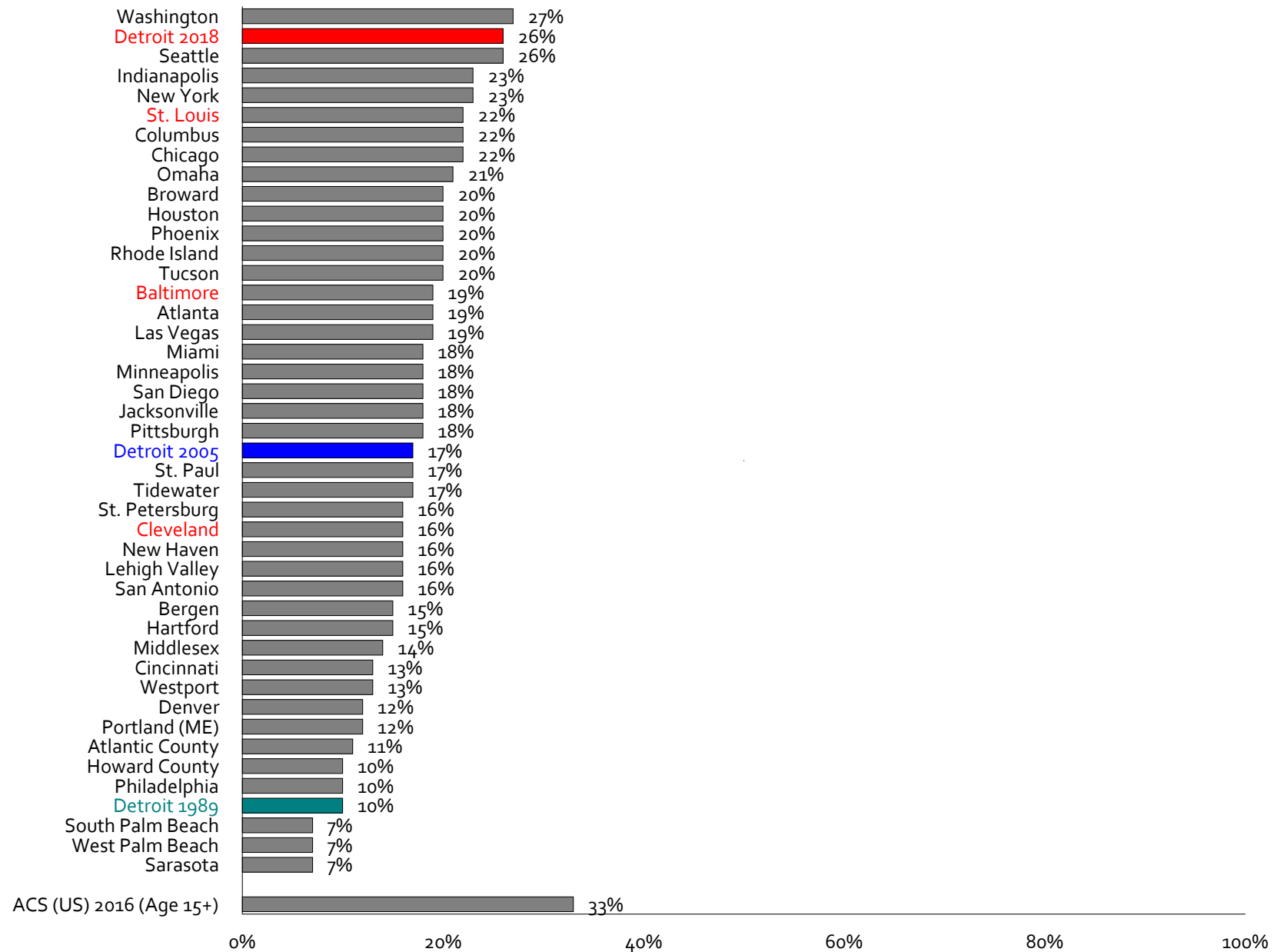
(Jewish Respondents Age 40 and Over)



Finding 5: This is a less married, more divorced, highly educated, moderate income community.

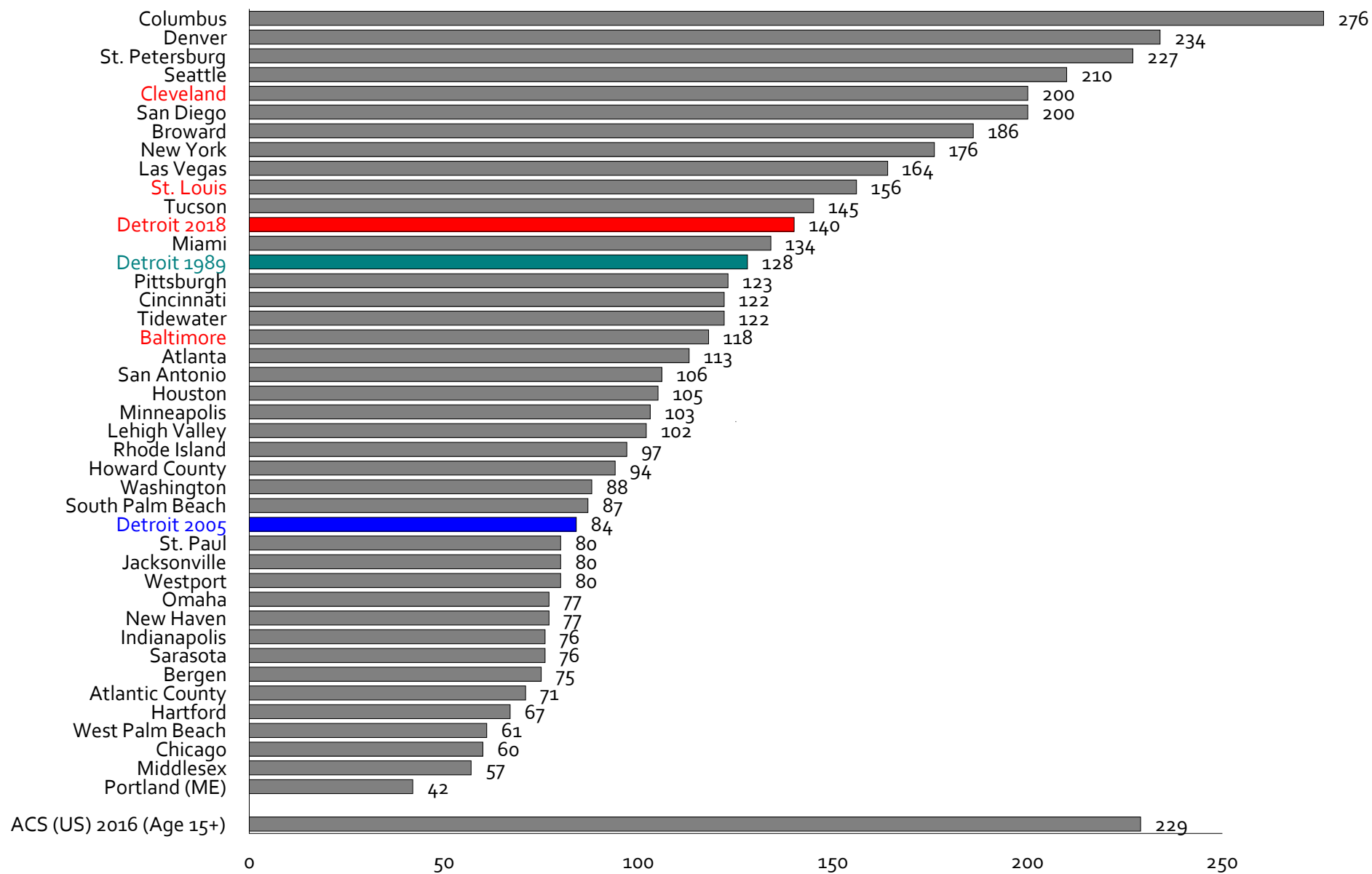
Single, Never Married

(Adults in Jewish Households)



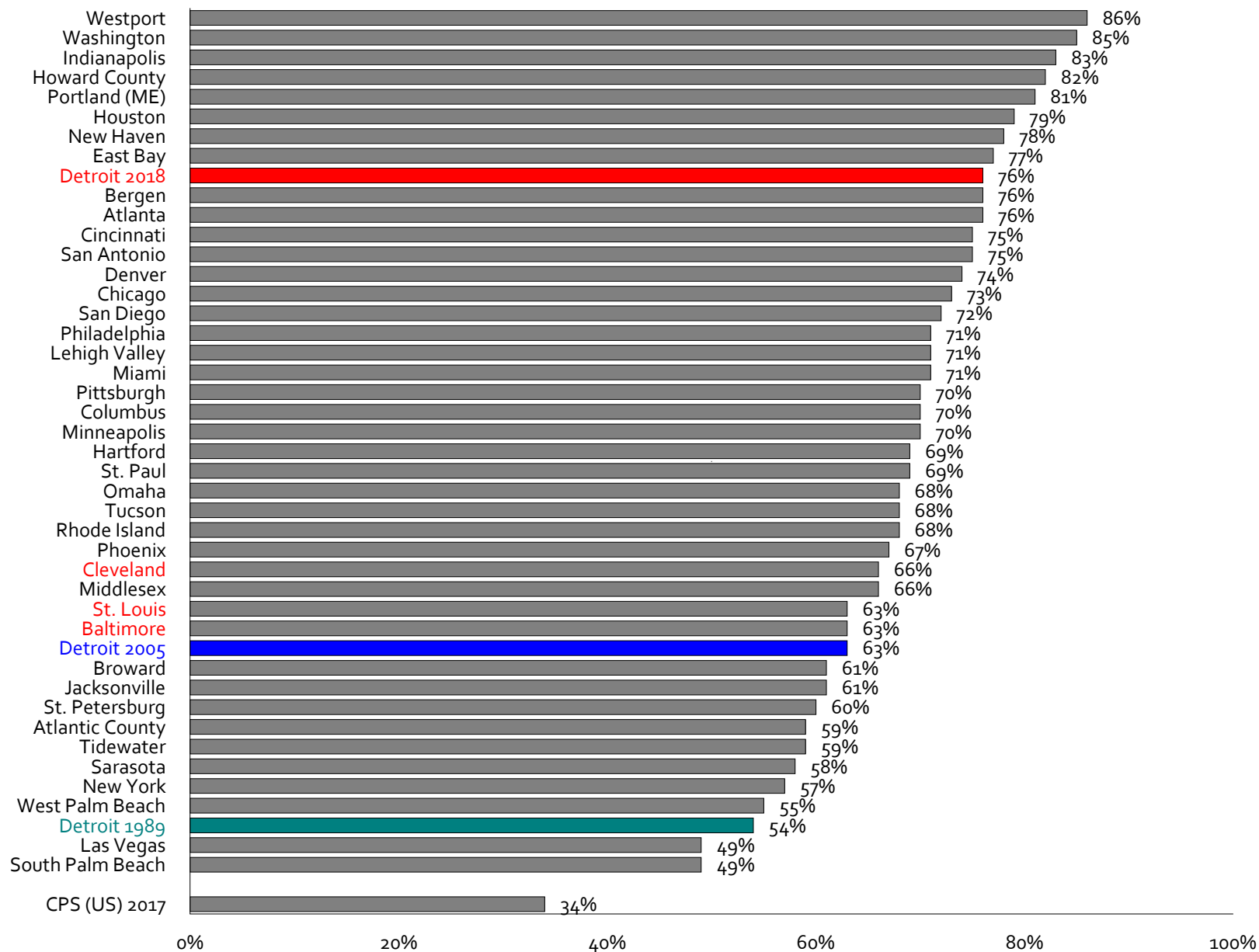
Divorce Rate

(Adults in Jewish Households)
(Divorced Adults per 1,000 Married Adults)



4-Year College Degree or Higher

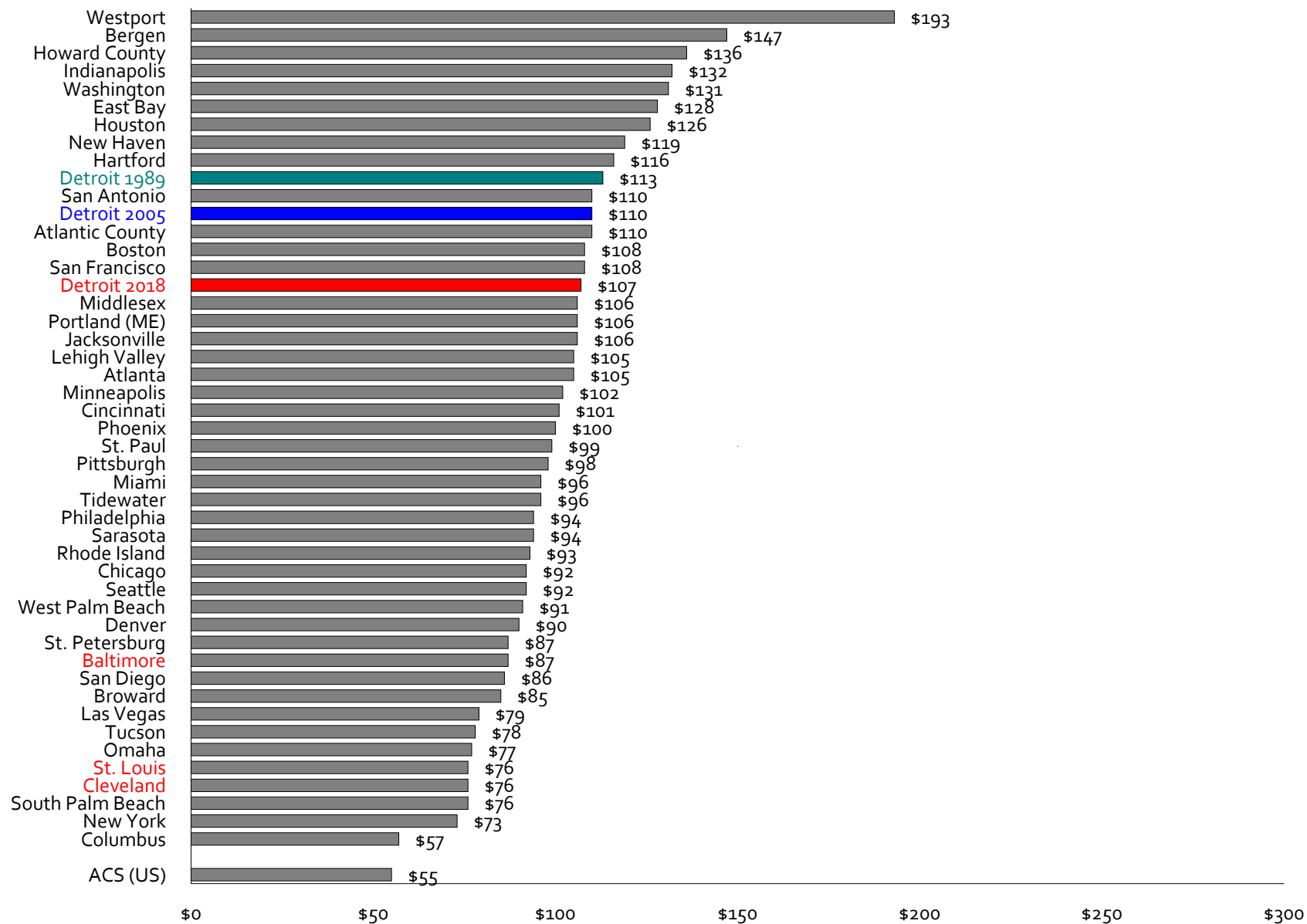
(Adults Age 25 and Over in Jewish Households)



Median Household Income

(Adjusted for inflation to 2017 dollars)

(Jewish Households)



Finding 6: Intermarriage has almost doubled since 2005.

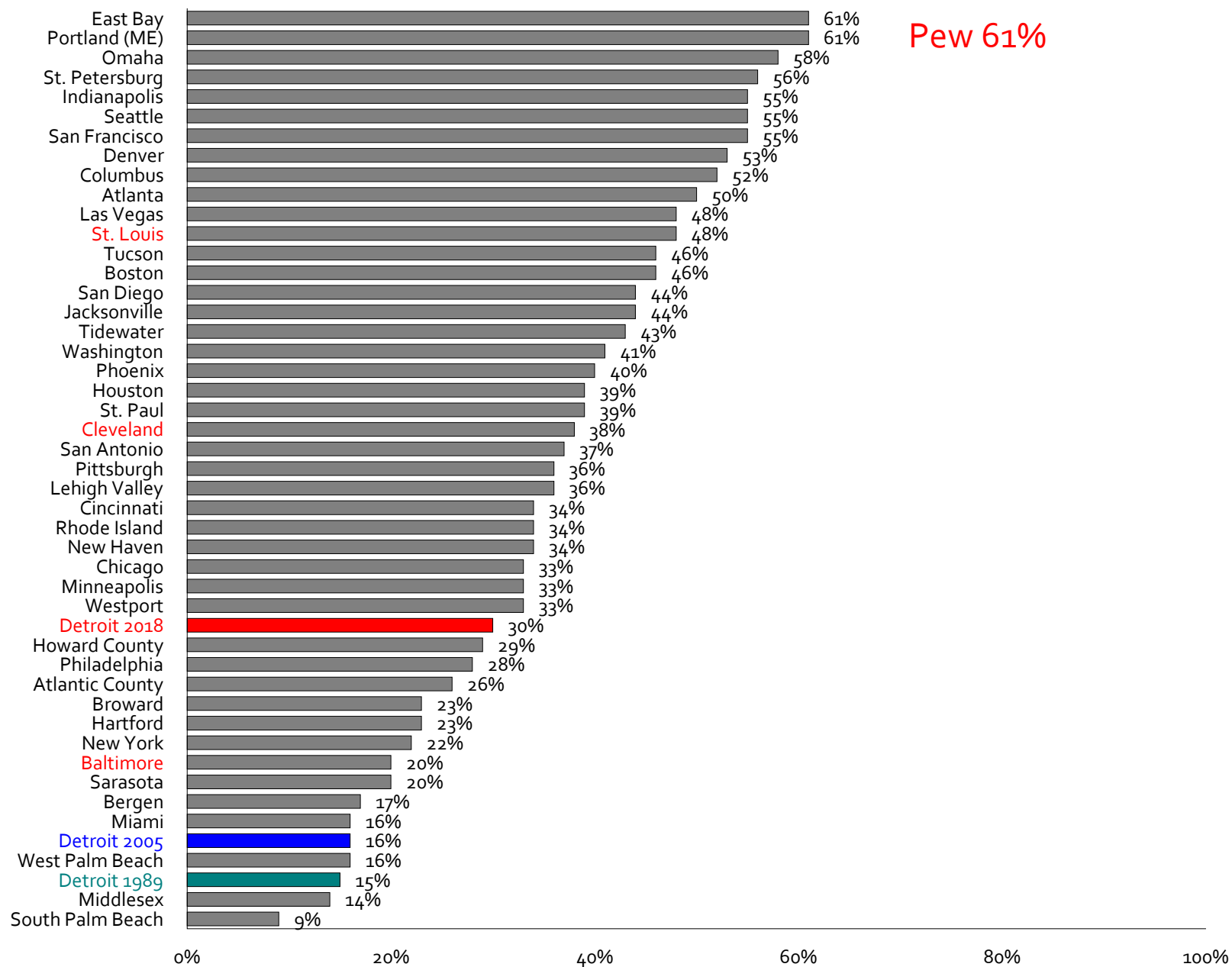
Synagogue membership and donations to Jewish charities for intermarried households are low.

The community should increase efforts to involve intermarried couples in the community.

Intermarriage

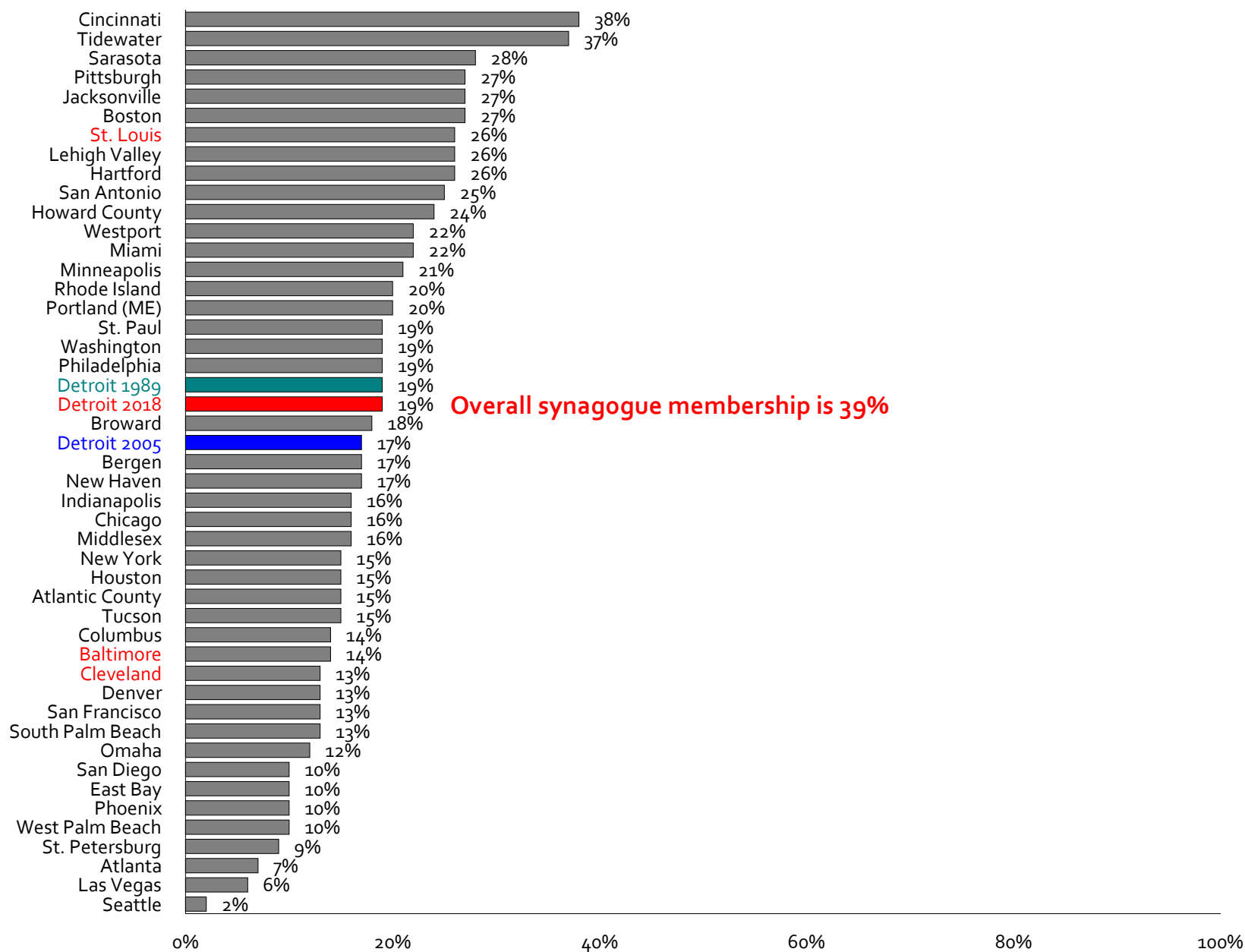
(Couples Intermarriage Rate)

Pew 61%



Synagogue Membership

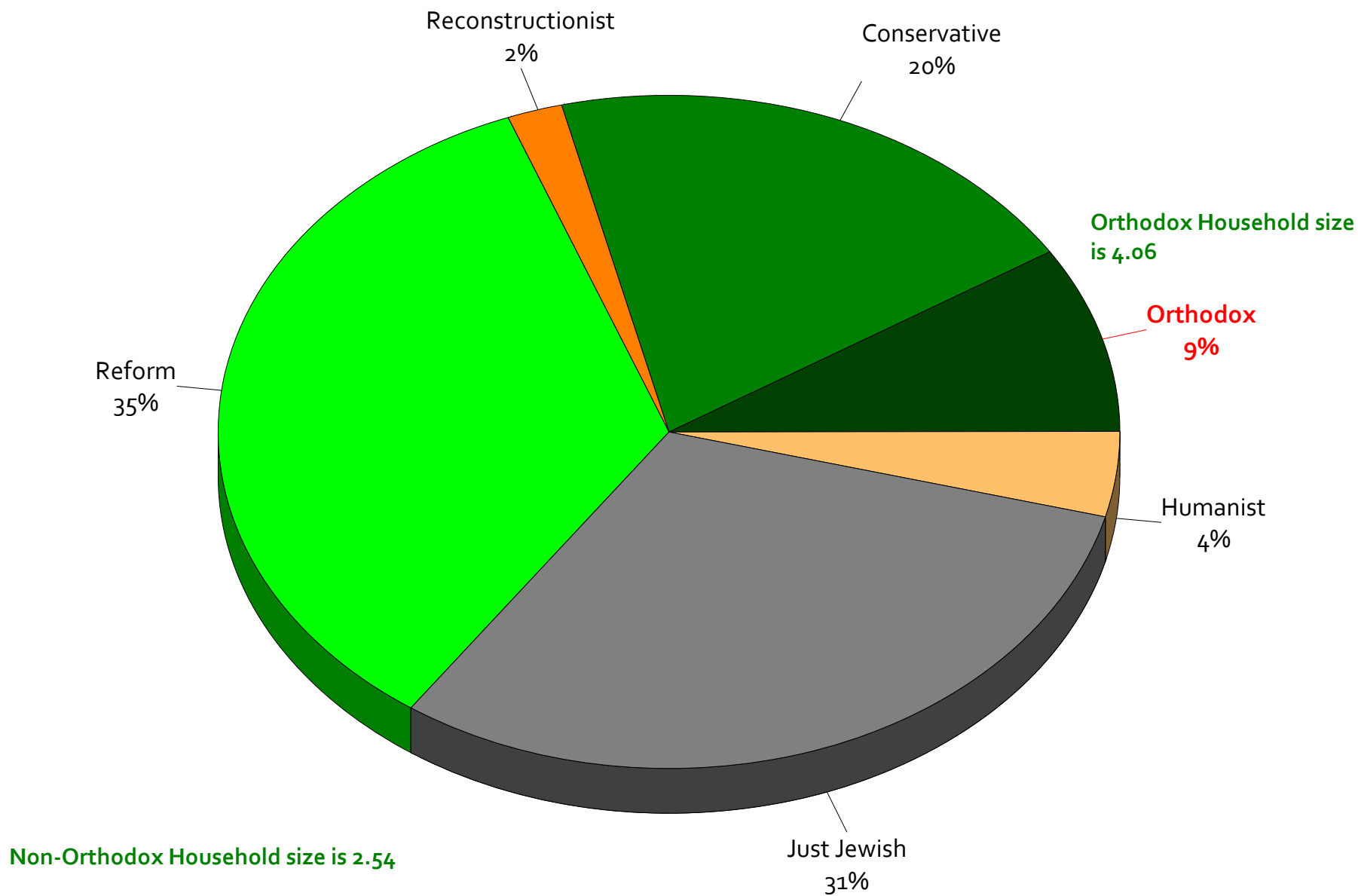
Intermarried Households



Finding 7: The Detroit Jewish community has a higher percentage of Orthodox Jews than most American Jewish communities.

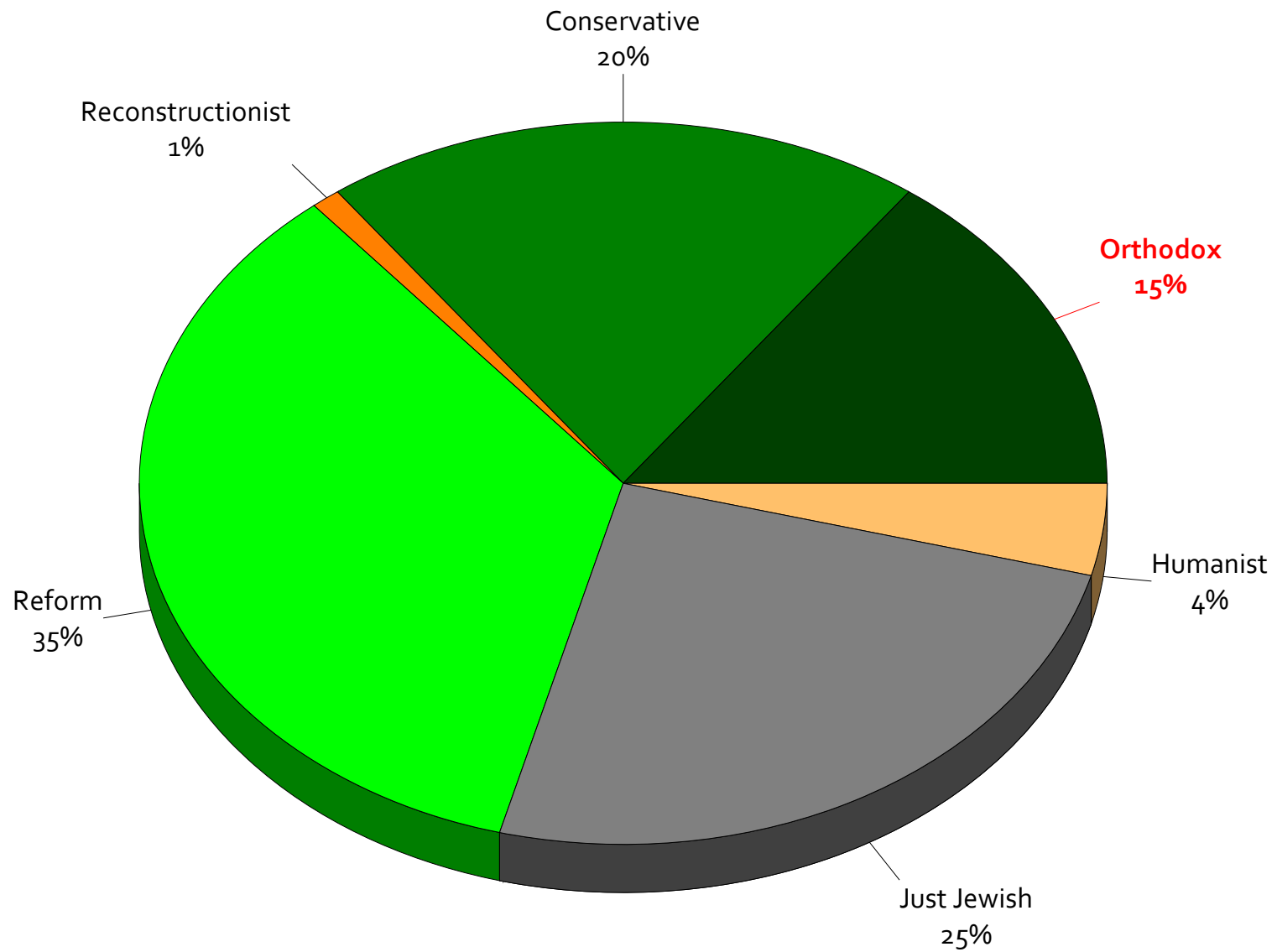
Jewish Identification

(Jewish Households)



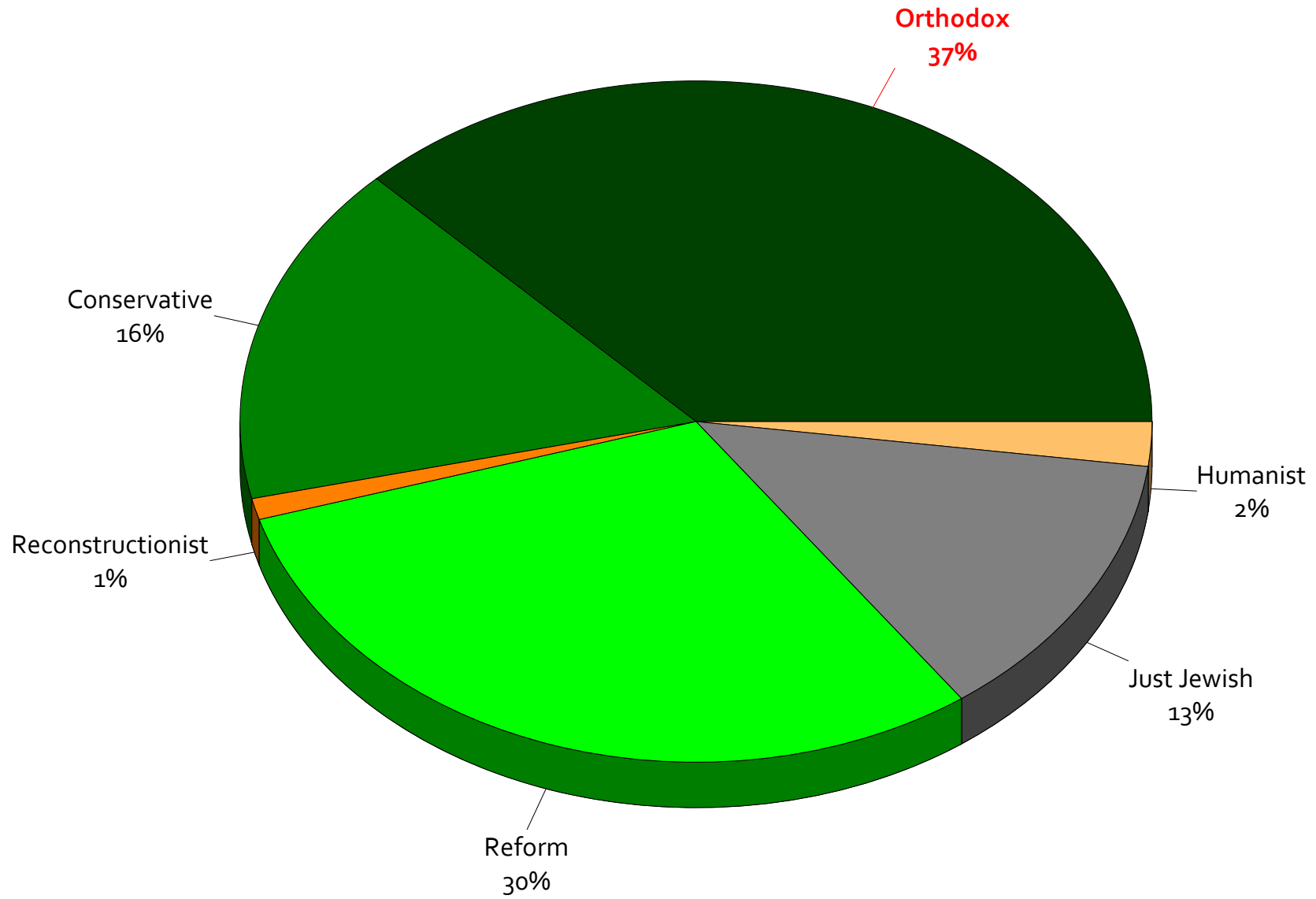
Jewish Identification

(Jewish Persons)



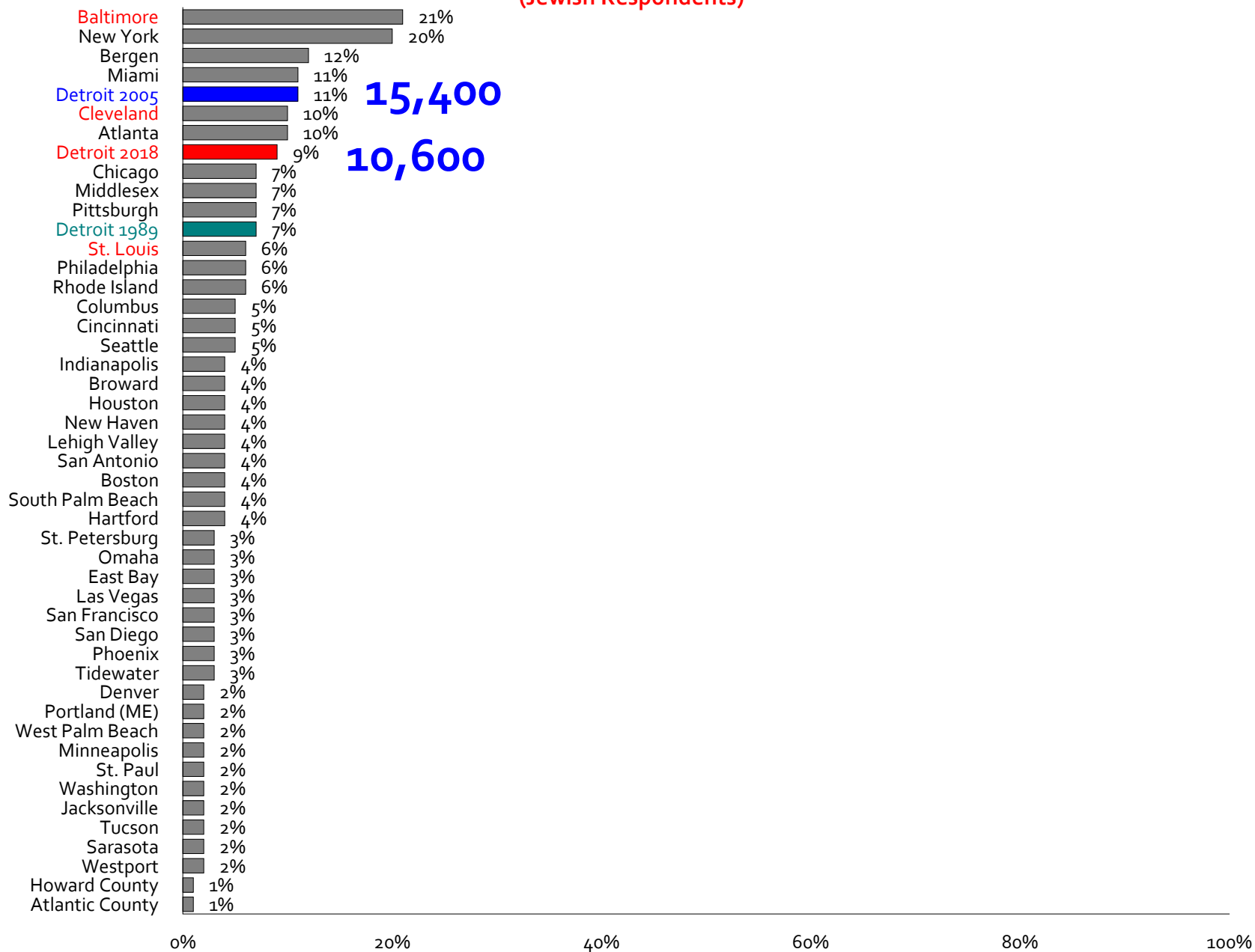
Jewish Identification

(12,000 Jewish Children)



Orthodox Identification

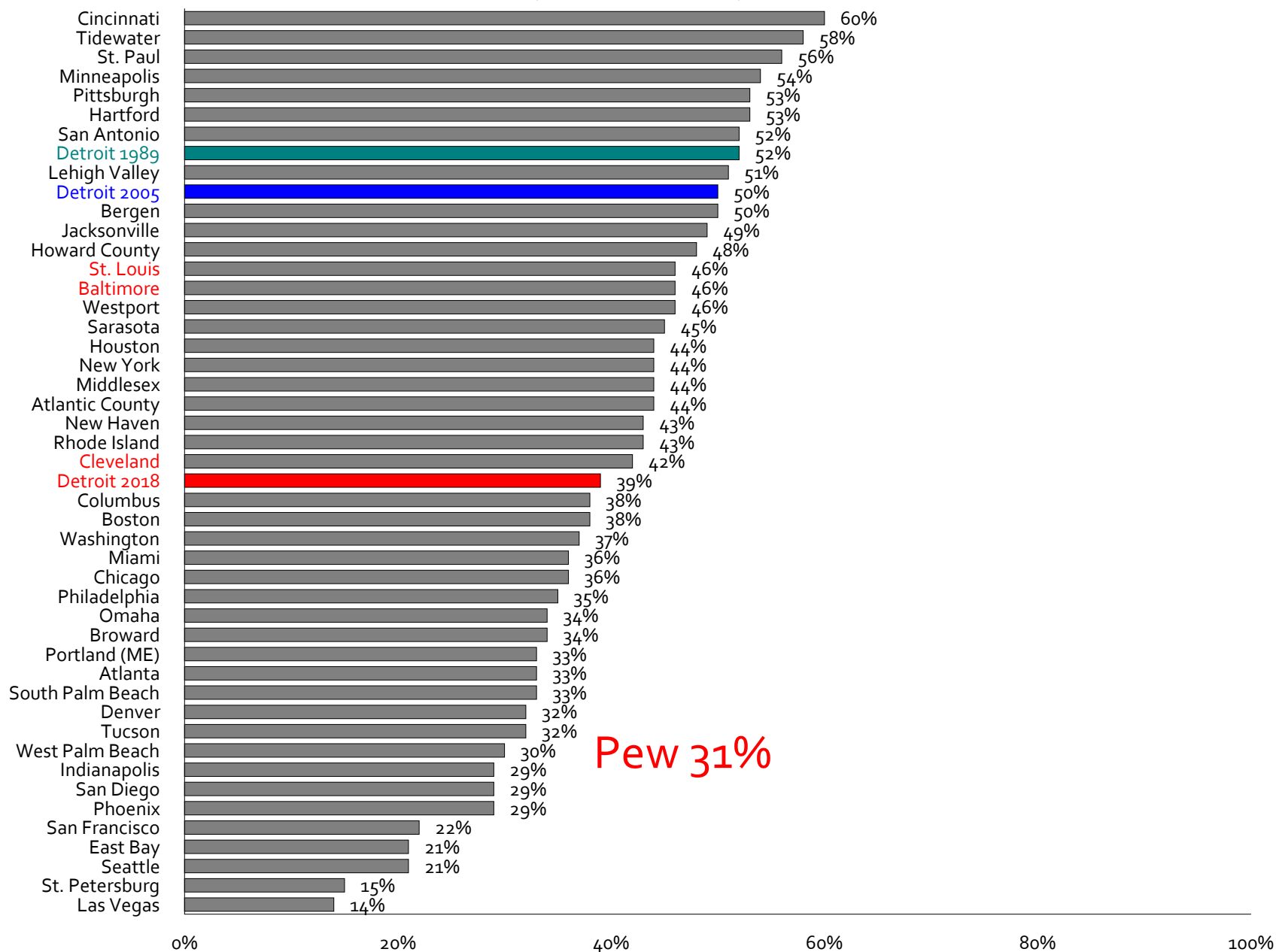
(Jewish Respondents)



Finding 8: Membership in the community has declined significantly.

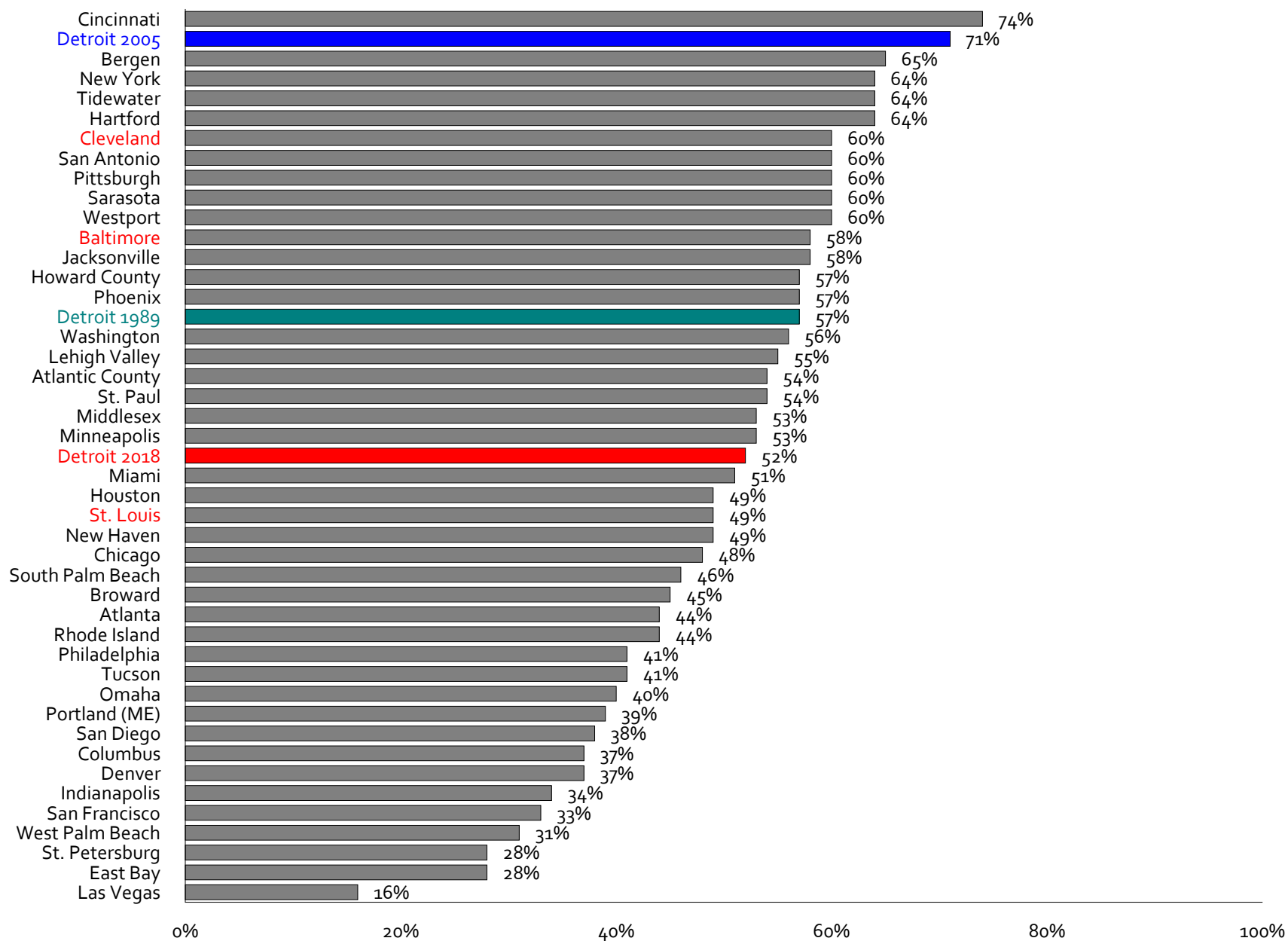
Synagogue Membership

(Jewish Households)



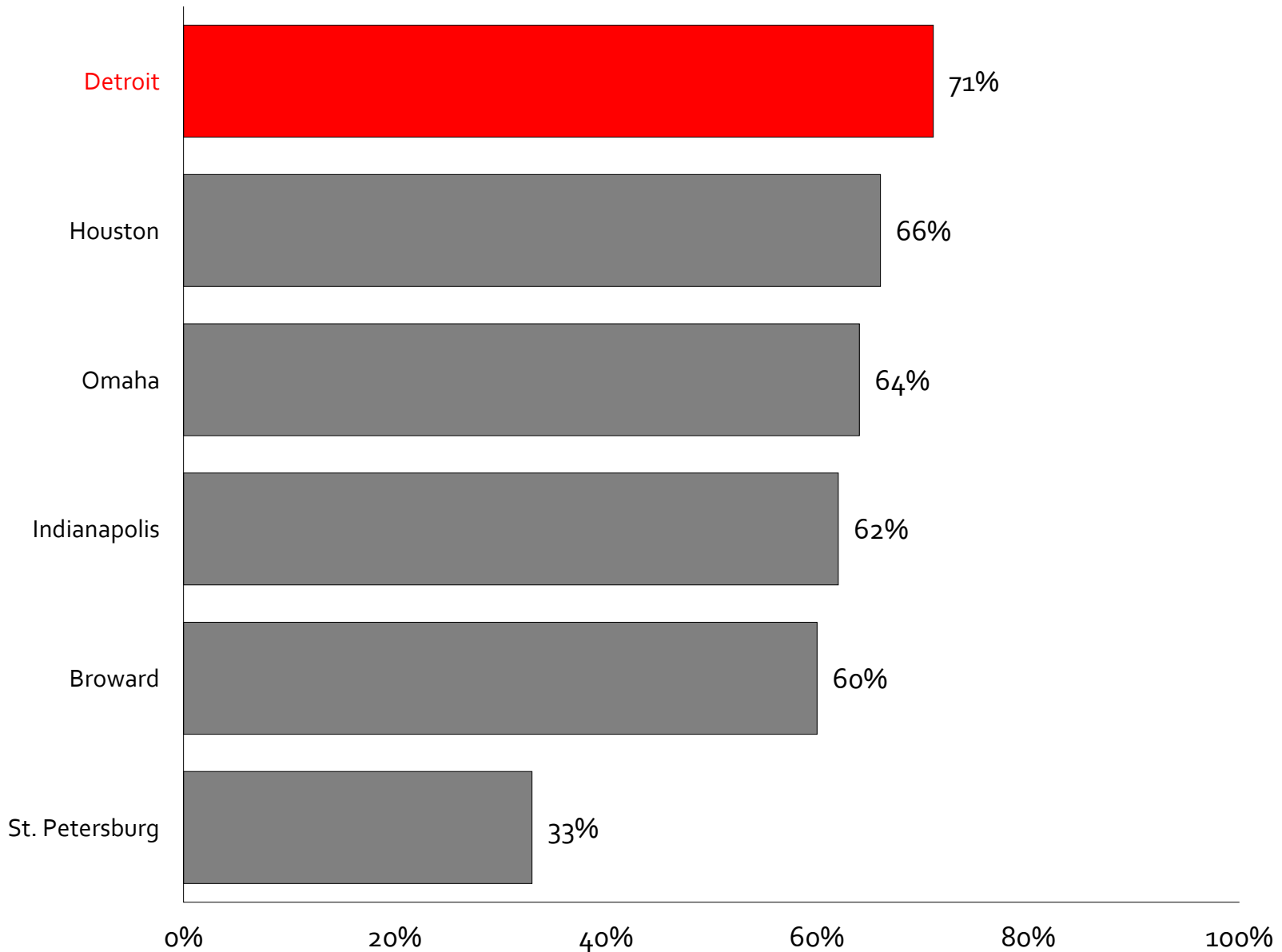
Synagogue Membership

Households with Children



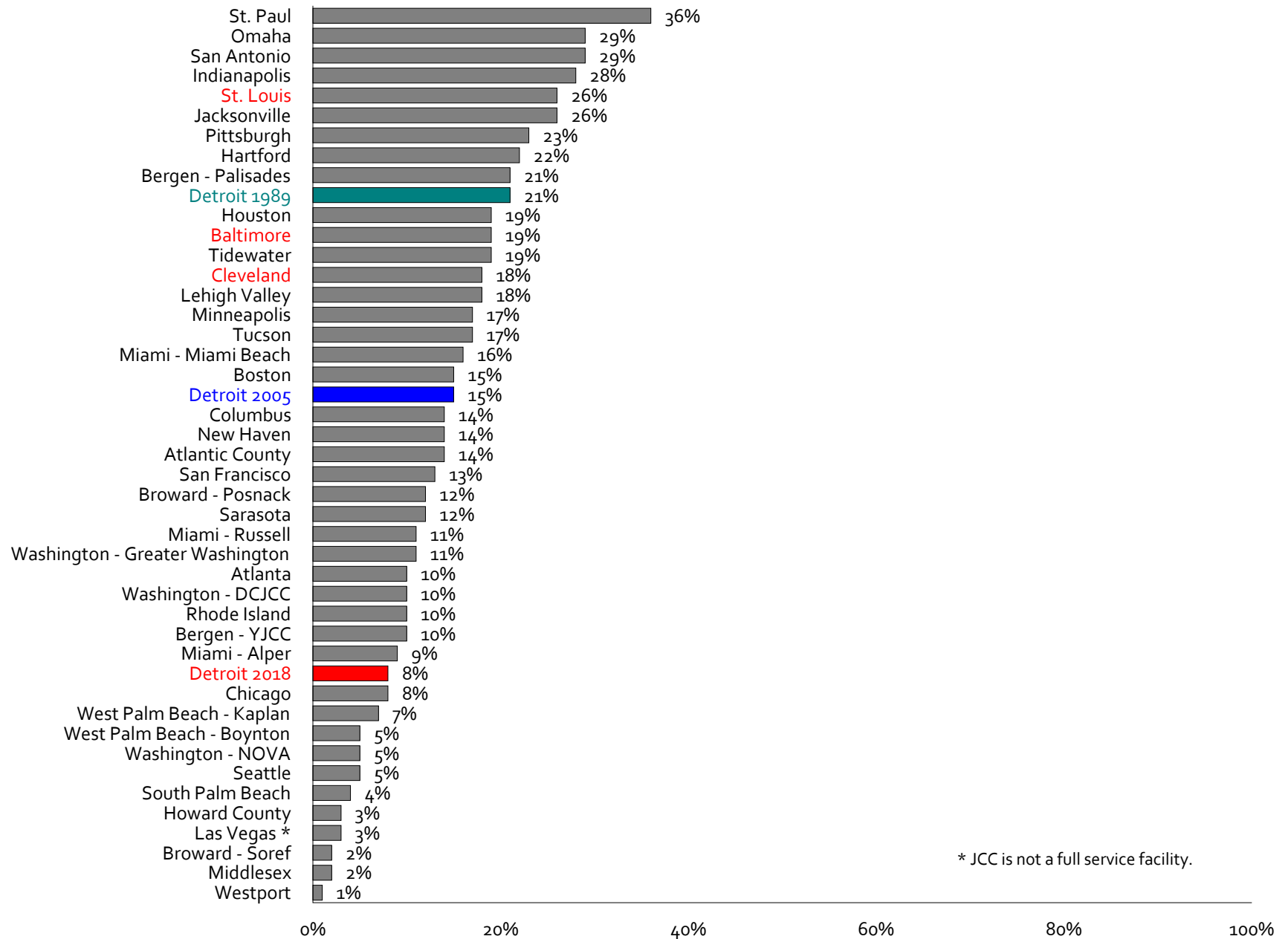
Participated in or Attended any Programs or Religious Services at, or Sponsored by, a Local Synagogue in the Past Year

(Jewish Households)



Local JCC Membership

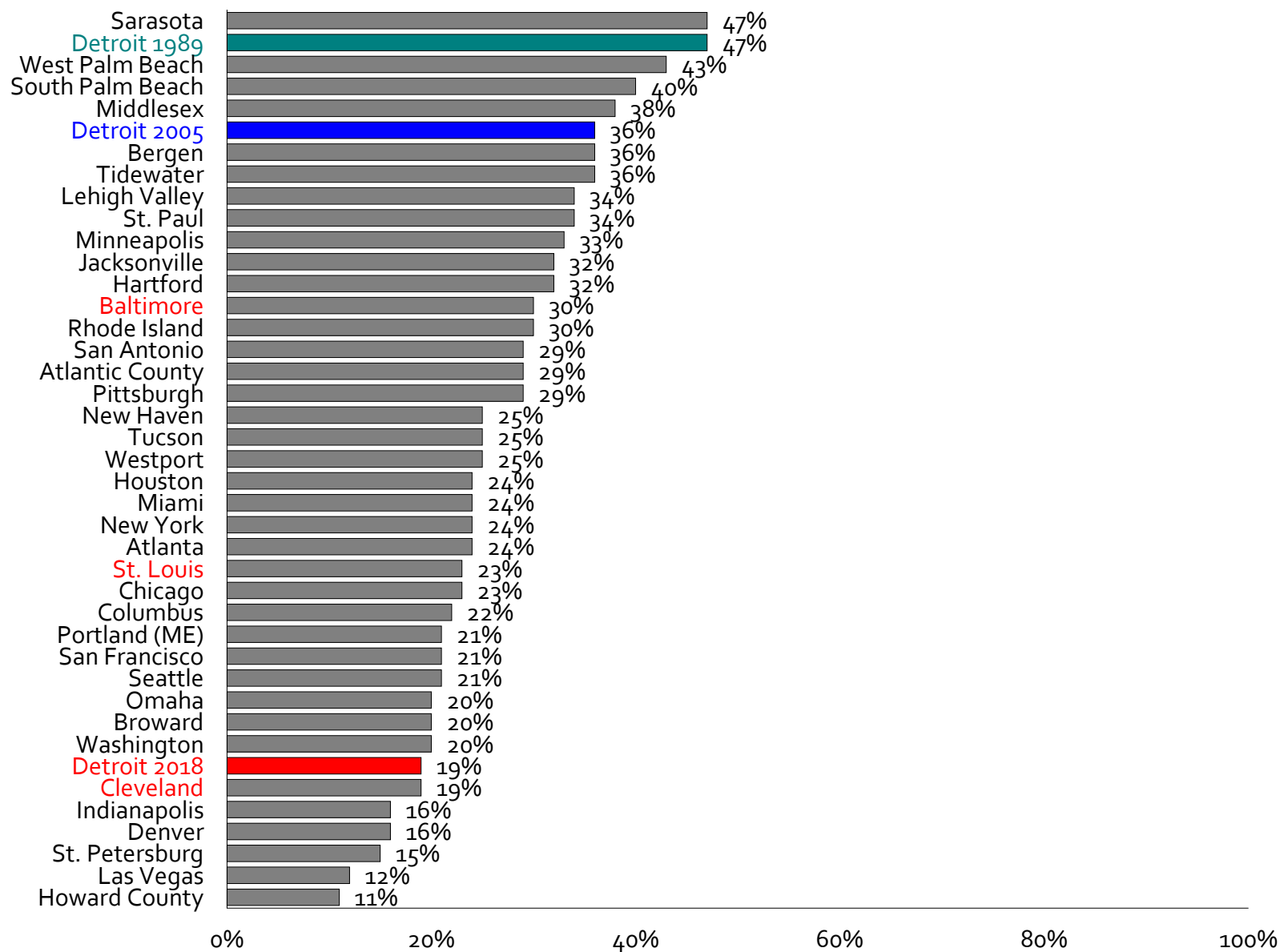
(Jewish Households)



Jewish Organization Membership

Other Than a Synagogue or JCC

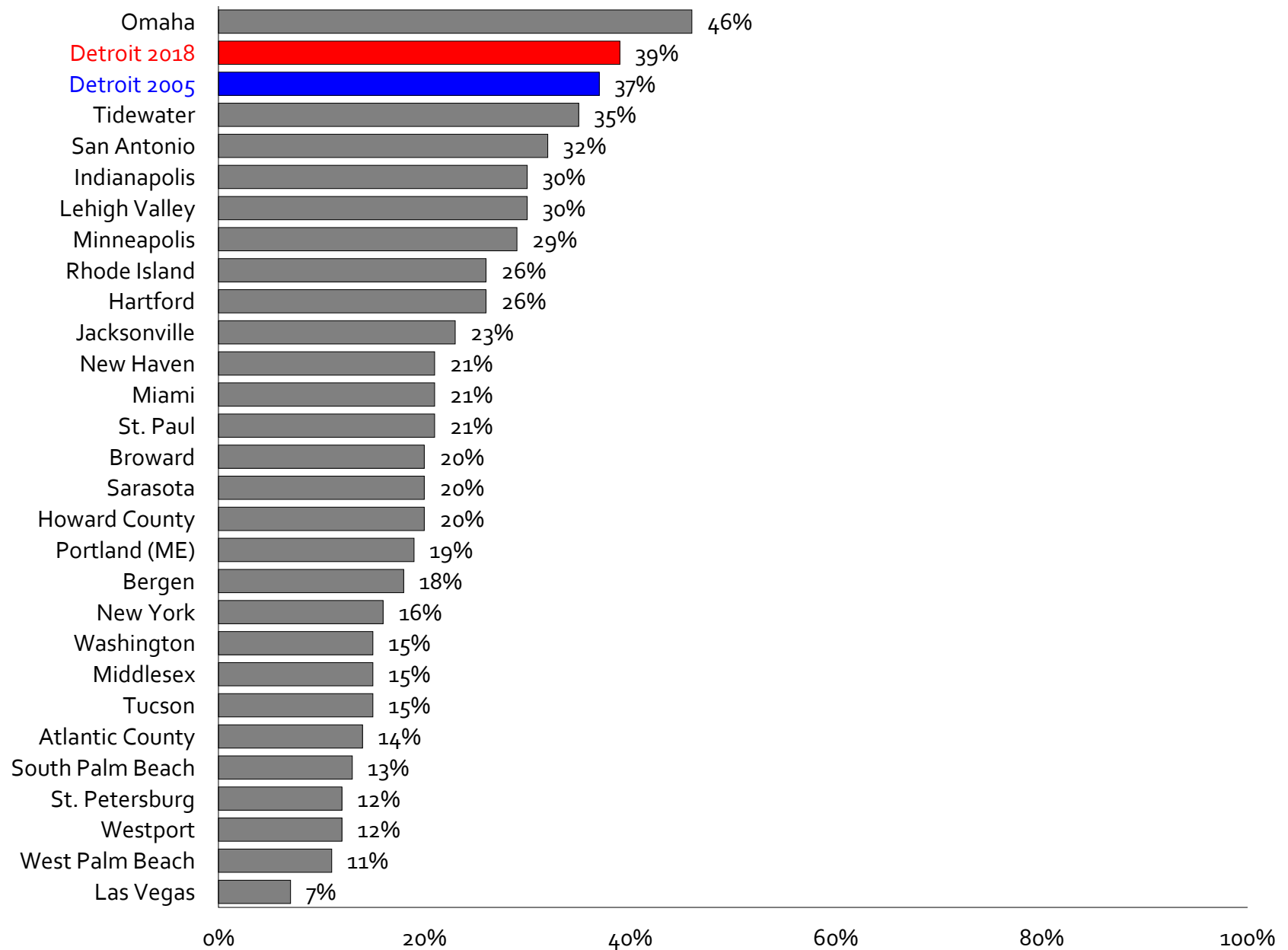
(Jewish Households)



Finding 9: Federation is well known in the Jewish community and has an excellent reputation.

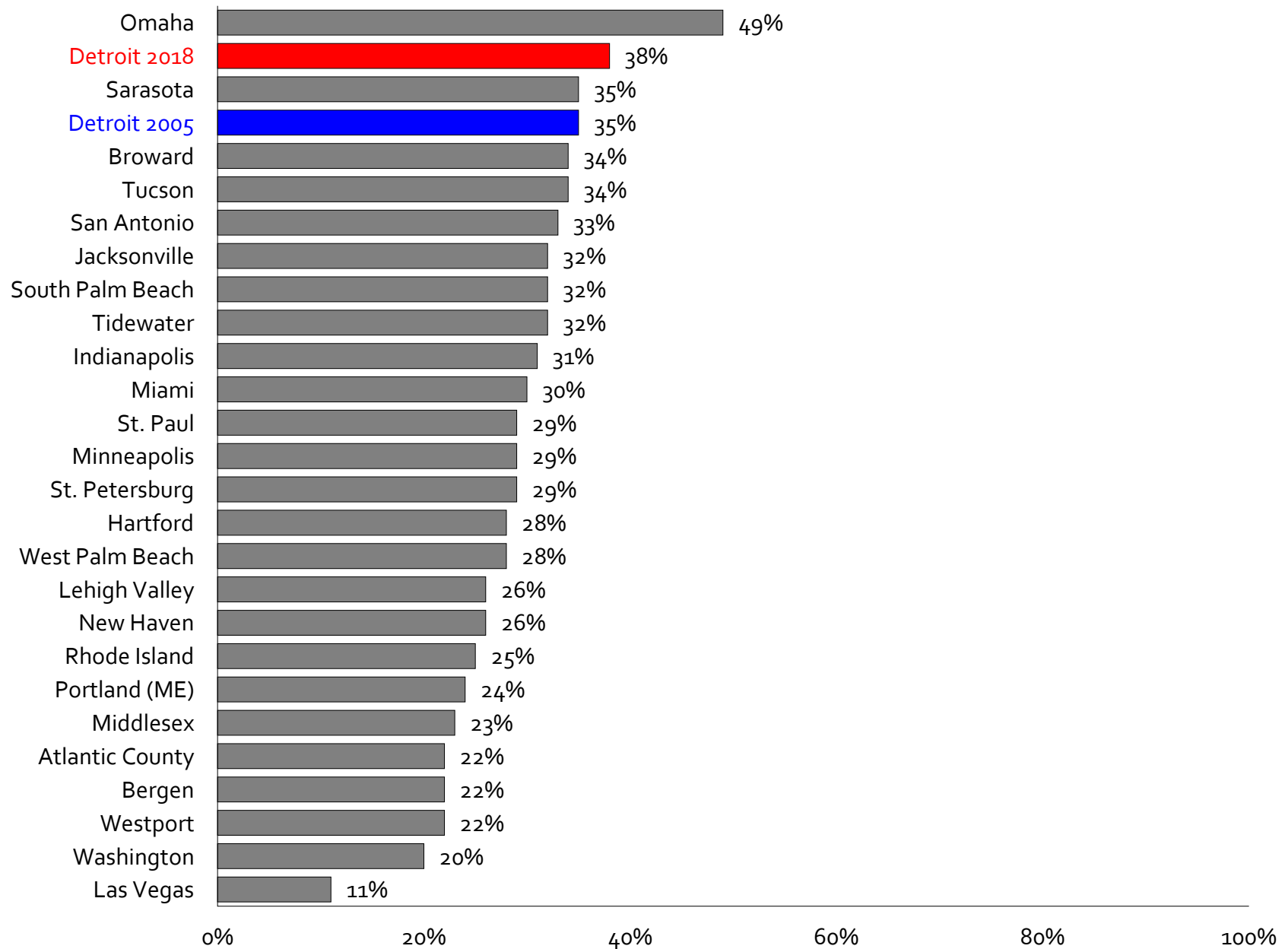
Very Familiar with the Local Jewish Federation

(Respondents)



Excellent Perceptions of the Local Jewish Federation

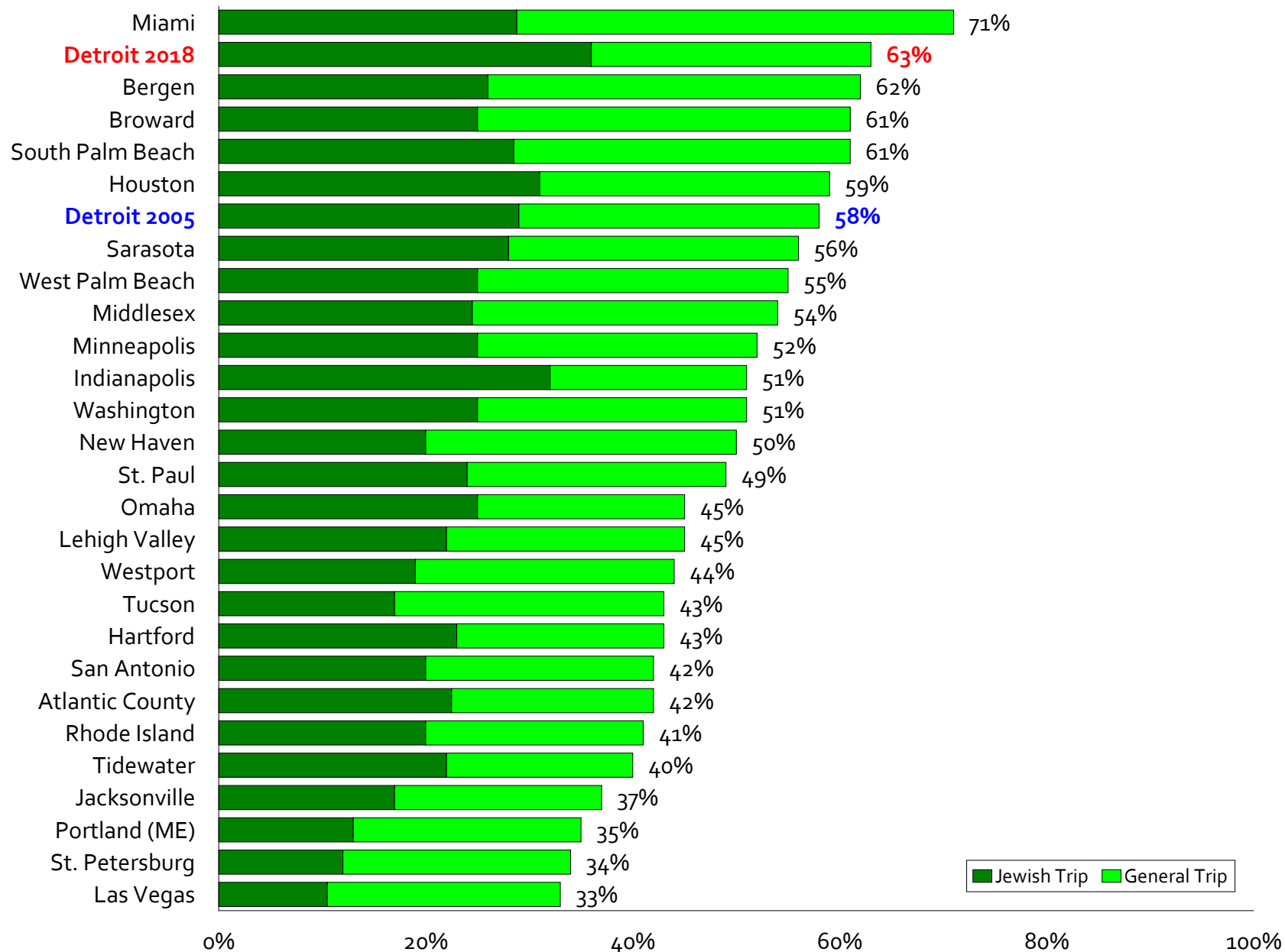
(Respondents Who Are Very/Somewhat Familiar)



Finding 10: The community has significant connections to Israel.

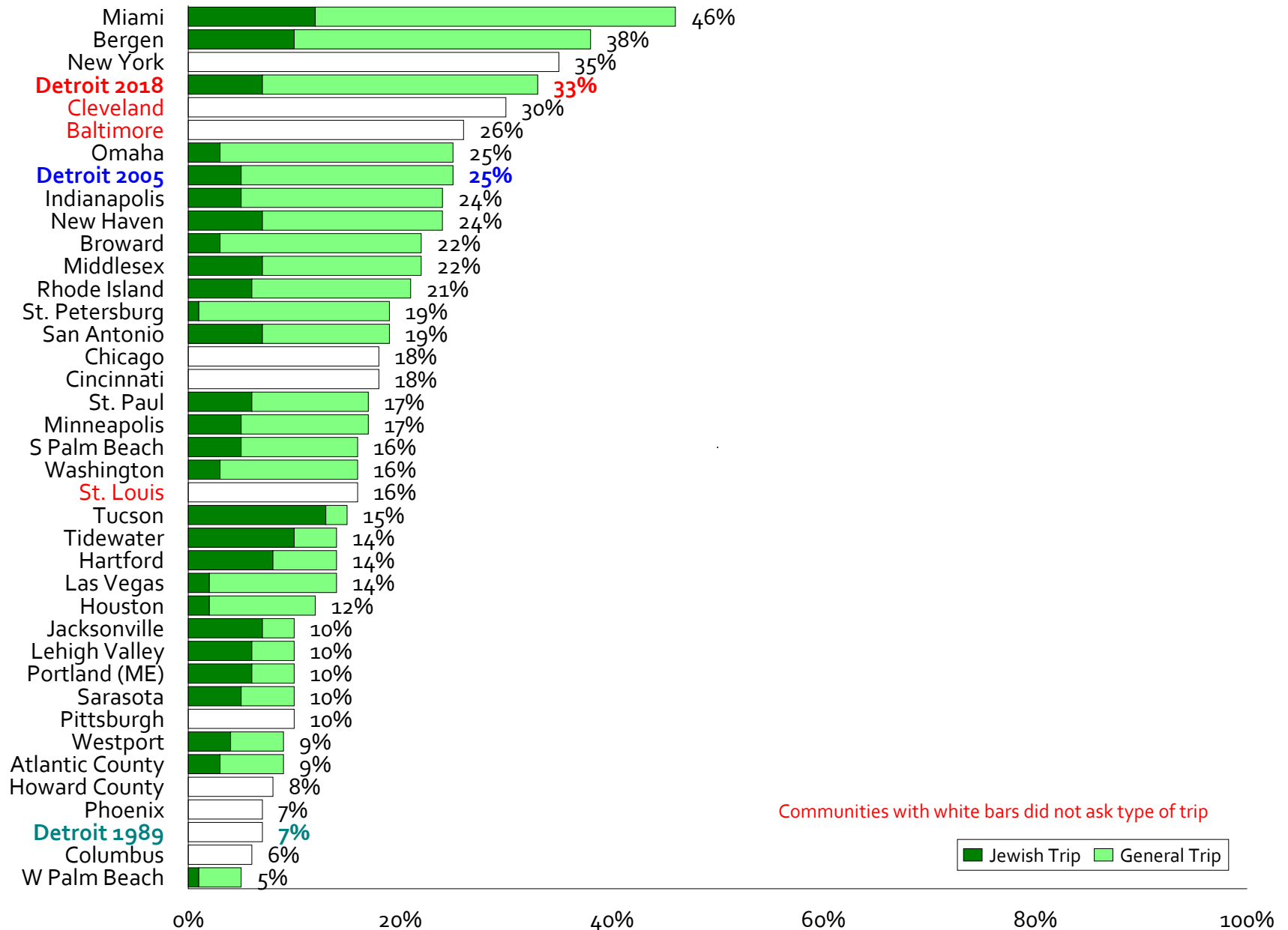
Households in Which a Member Visited Israel

(Jewish Households)



Households in Which a Jewish Child Visited Israel

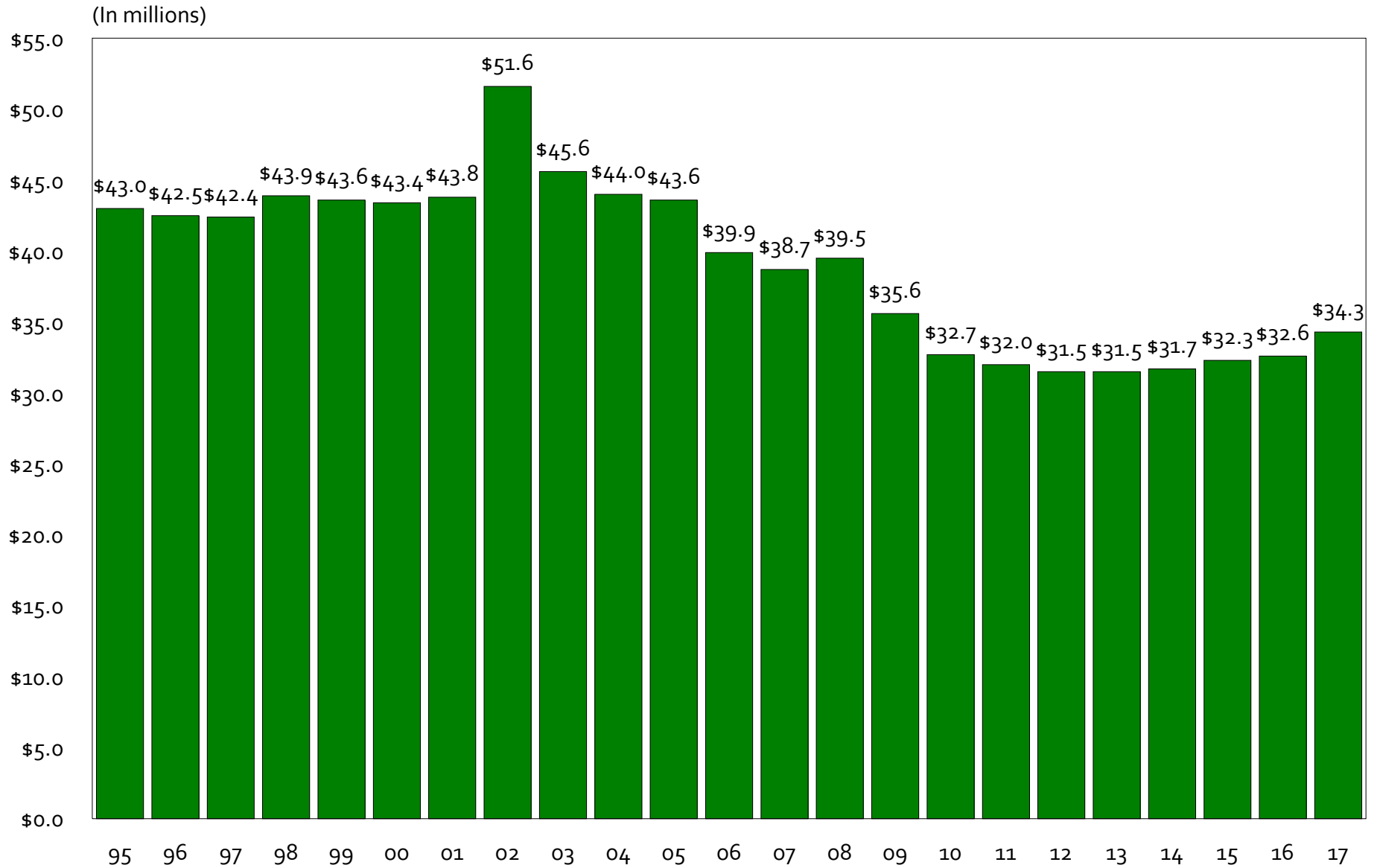
(Households with Jewish Children Age 6-17)



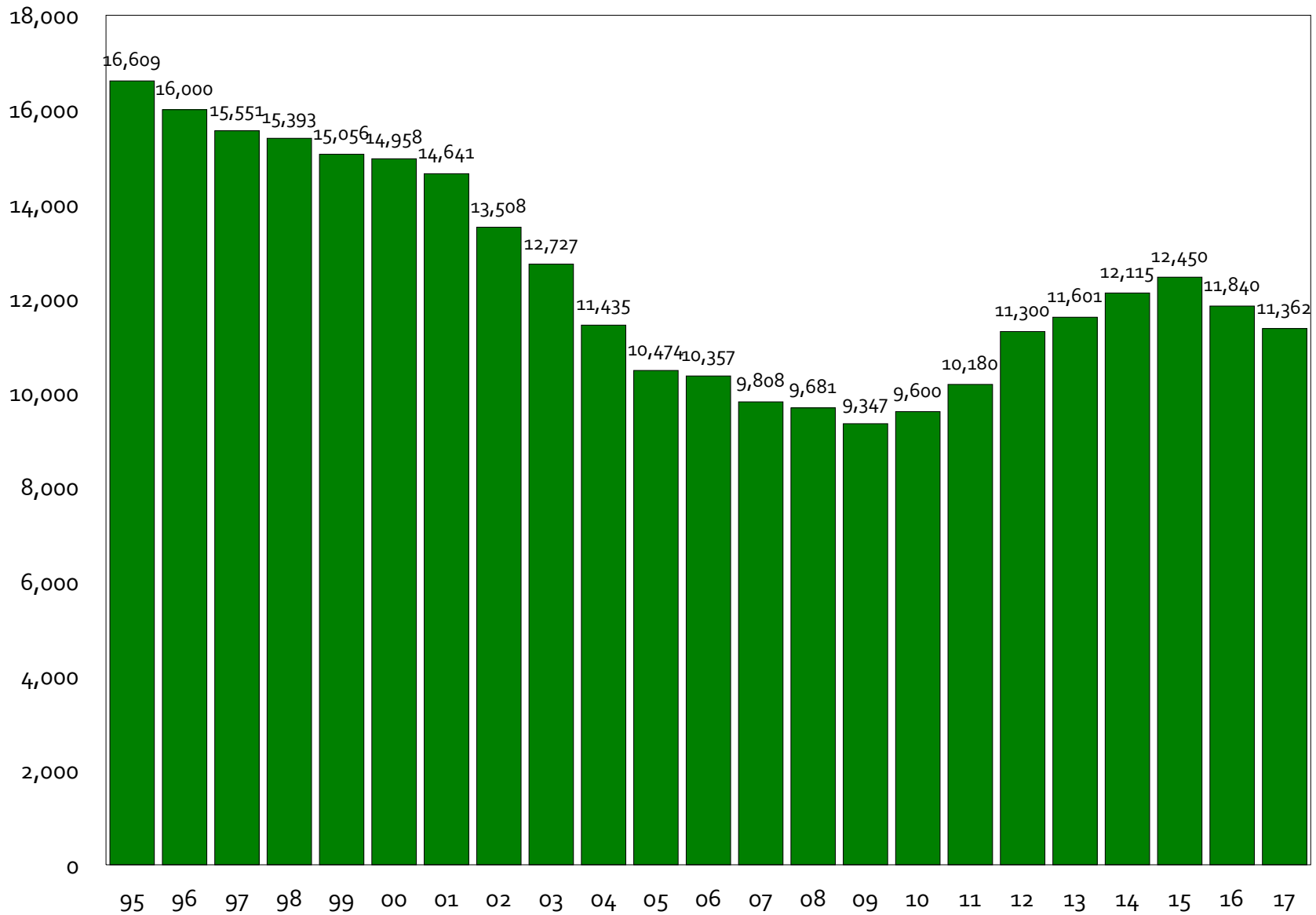
Finding 11: The Federation Annual Campaign shows both signs of strength and weakness.

Jewish Federation Annual Campaign

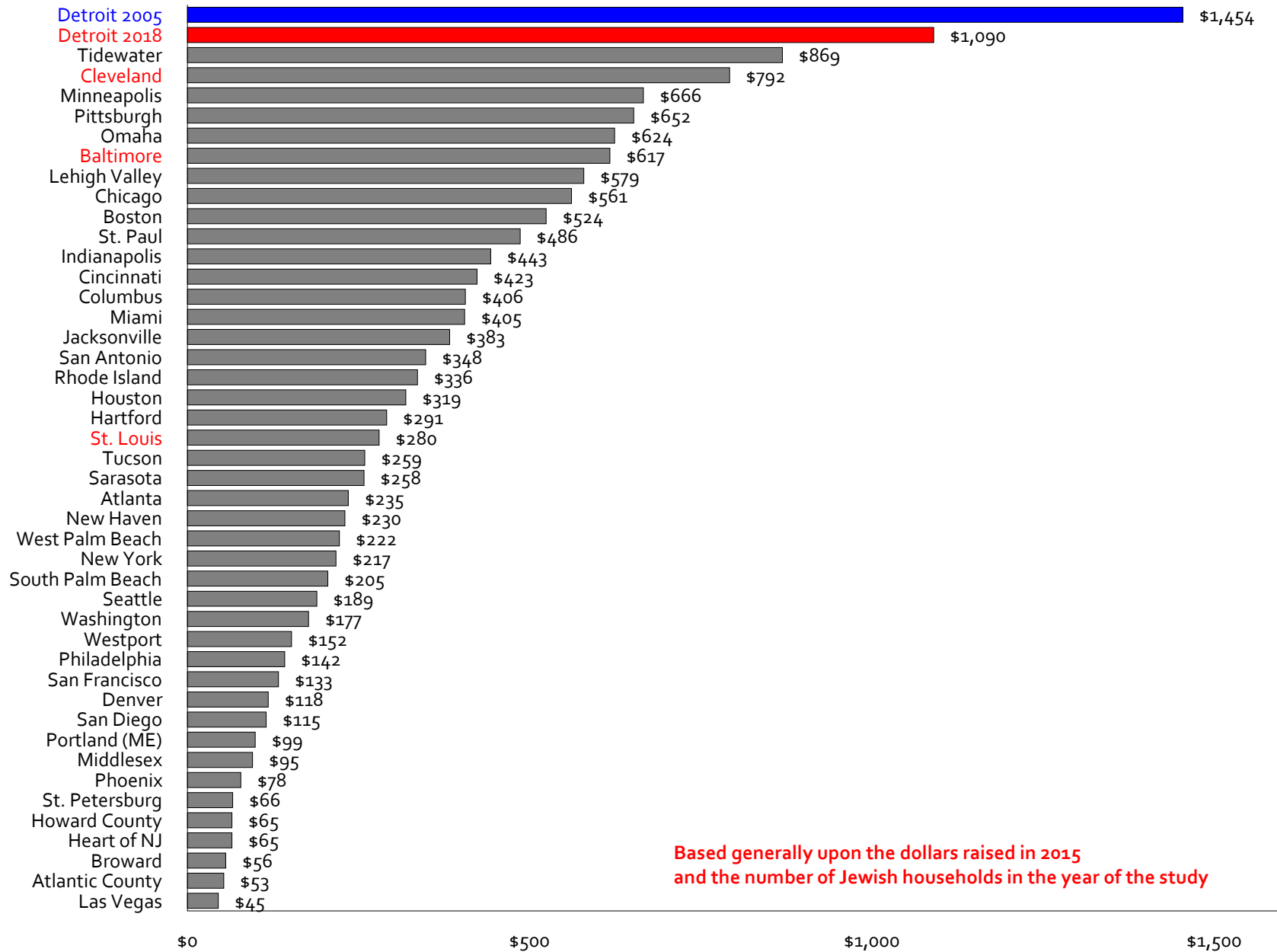
(Adjusted for Inflation to 2017 Dollars)



Number of Donors to Jewish Federation Annual Campaign



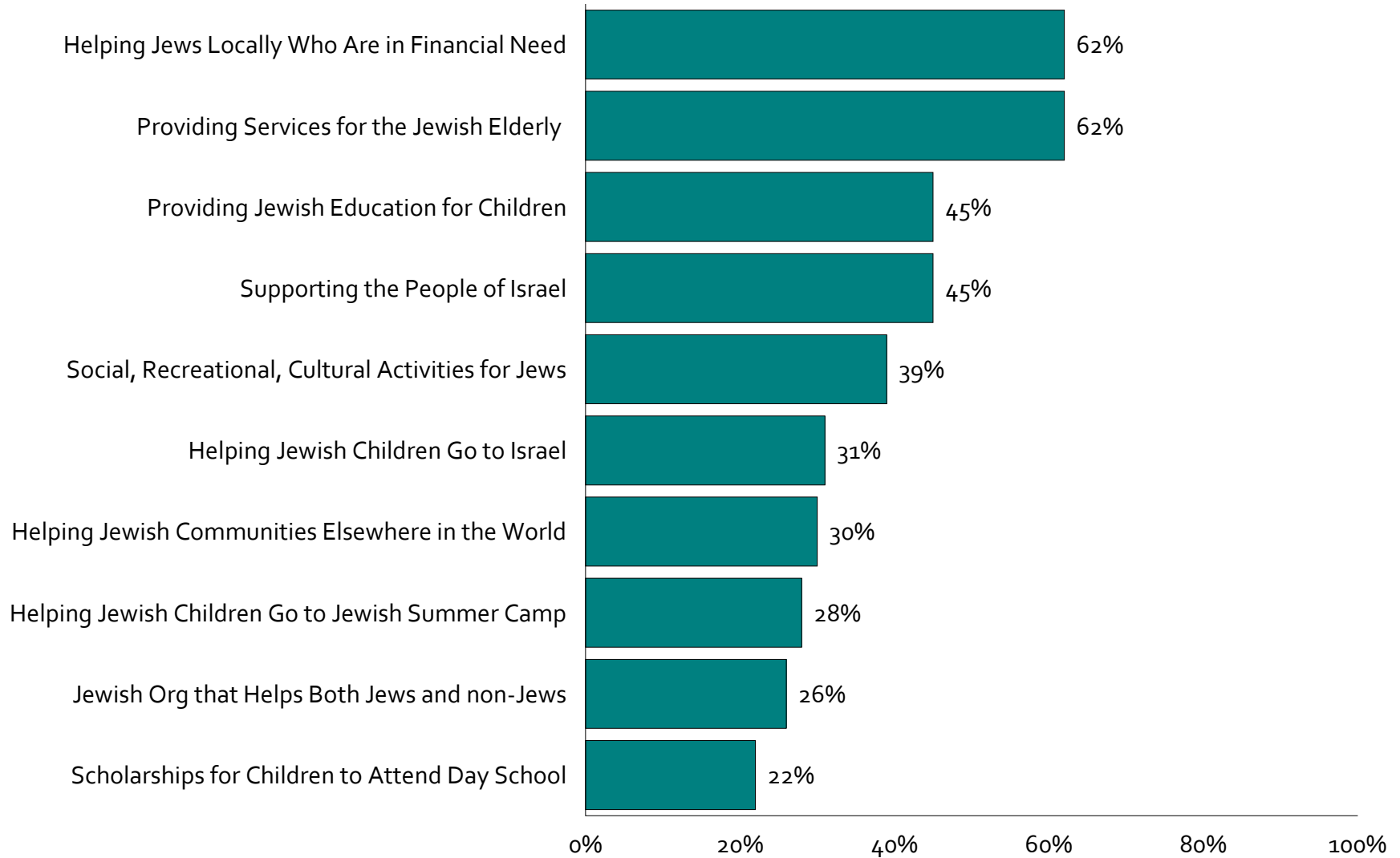
Average Donation to Local Jewish Federation Per Jewish Household



Importance of Motivations to Donate to a Jewish Organization

% Very Important

(Respondents in Households Who Donated \$100 and Over to the Jewish Federation in the Past Year)

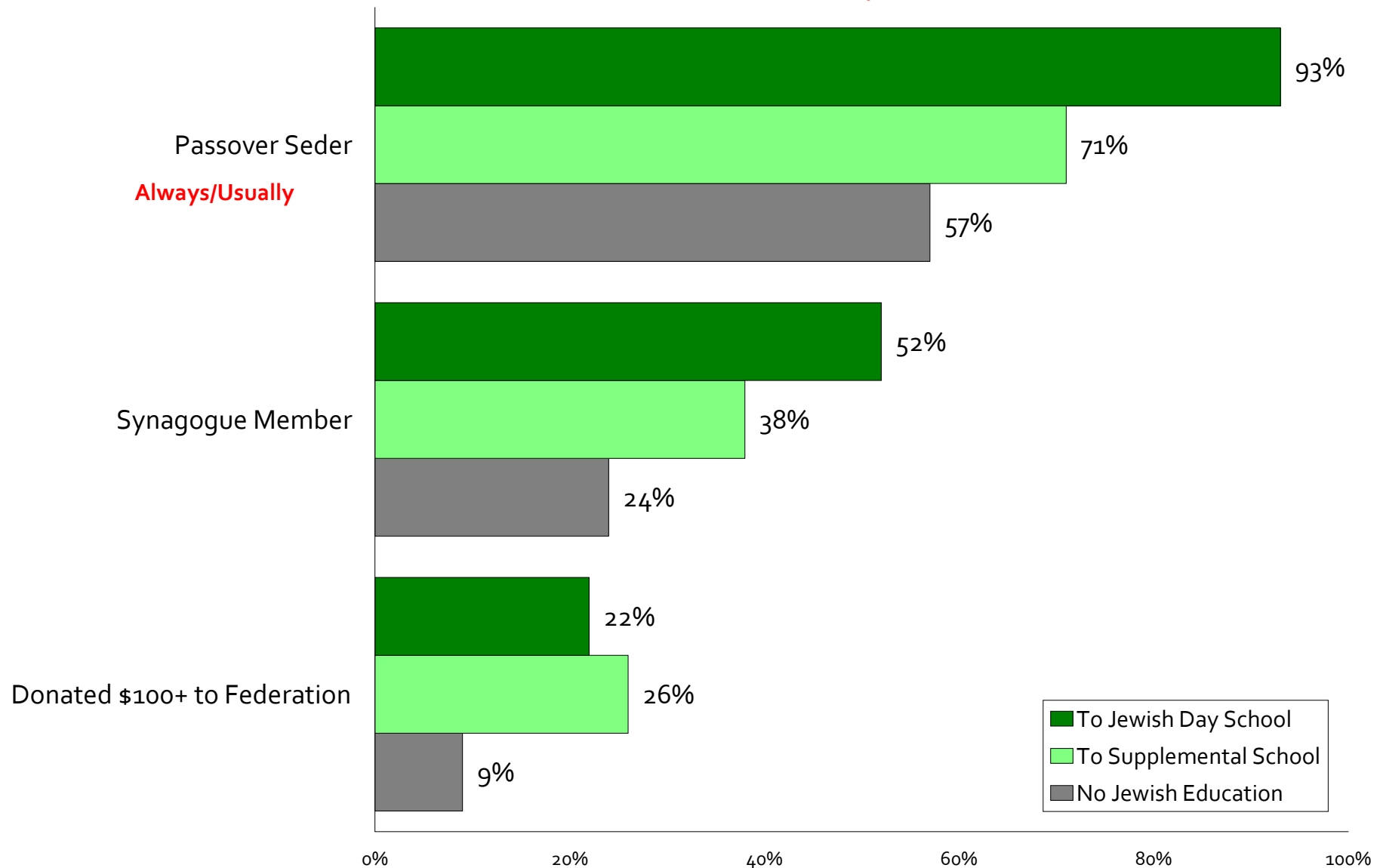


Finding 12: Jewish education as a child,
Jewish overnight camp as a child,
Jewish teenage youth group,
Hillel/Chabad in college, and
Israel trips

correlate positively with Jewish behaviors as adults.

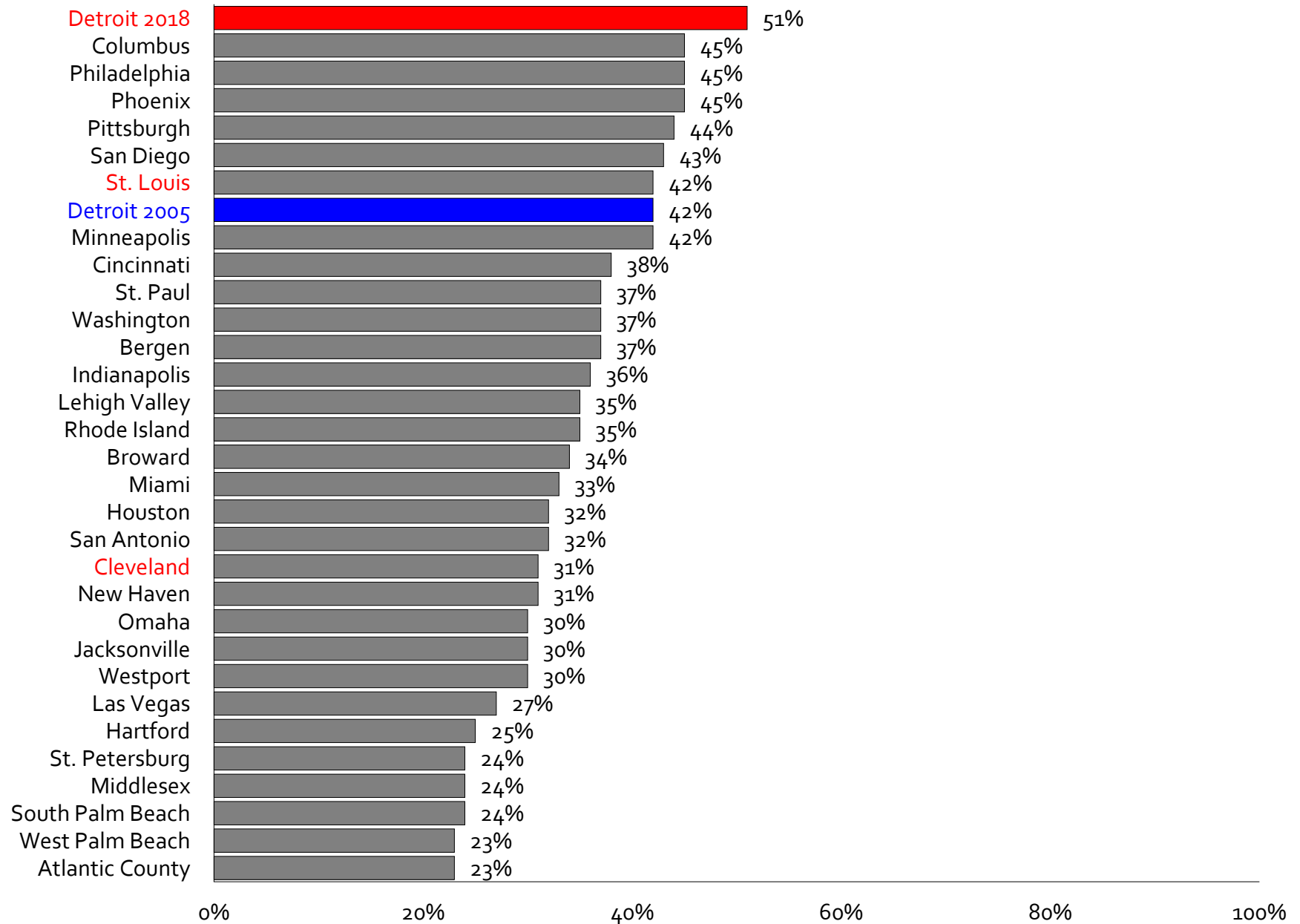
Households in Which The Respondent Received Some Formal Jewish Education as a Child

Correlation with Adult Jewish Behaviors
(Households with Born or Raised Jewish Respondents)



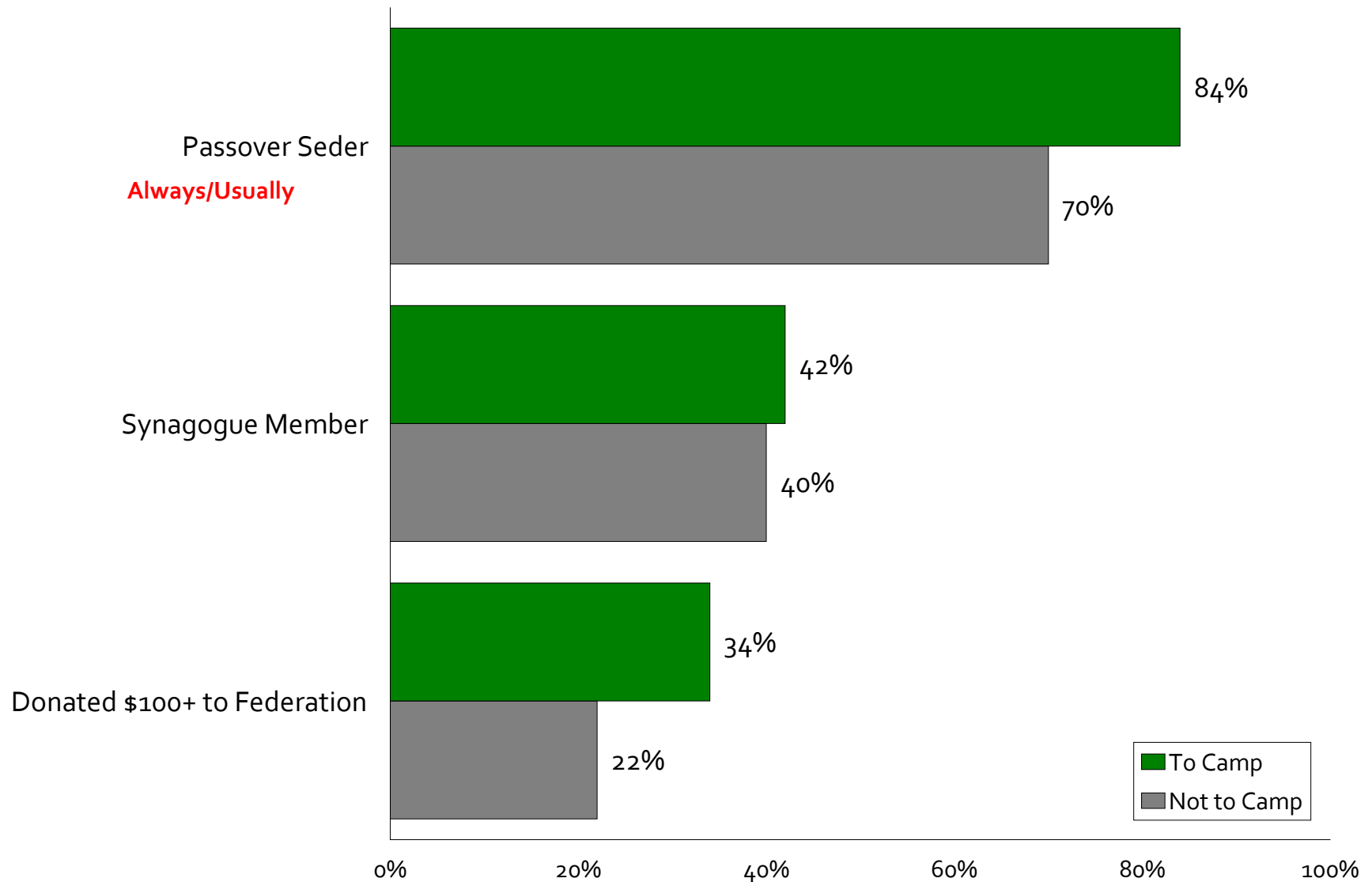
Attended or Worked at a Jewish Overnight Camp as Children

(Born or Raised Jewish Adults)



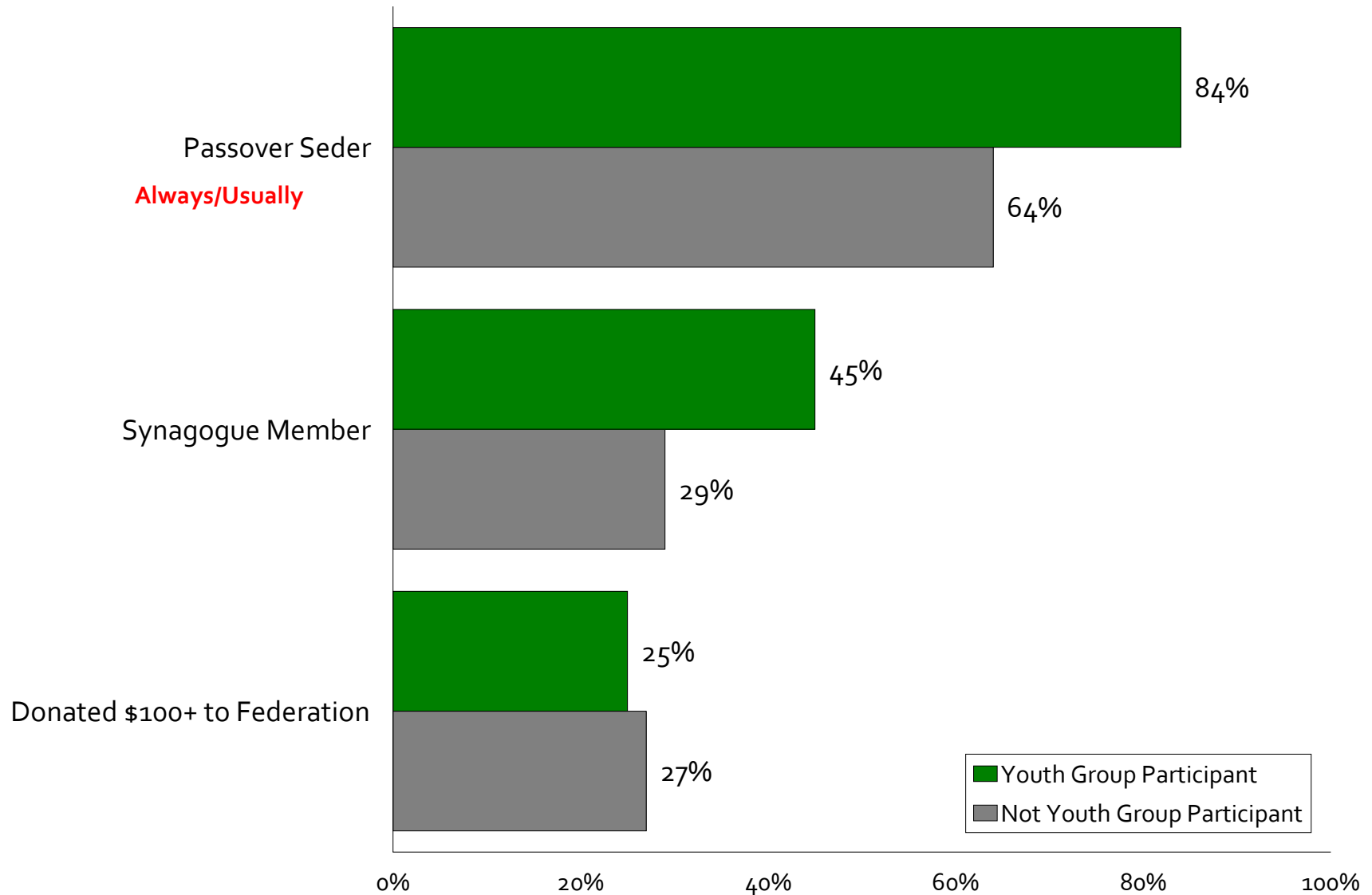
59 Households in Which The Respondent Attended or Worked at a Jewish Overnight Camp as a Child

Correlation with Adult Jewish Behaviors
(Households with Born or Raised Jewish Respondents)



Households in Which The Respondent Participated in a Jewish Youth Group as a Teenager

Correlation with Adult Jewish Behaviors
(Households with Born or Raised Jewish Respondents)

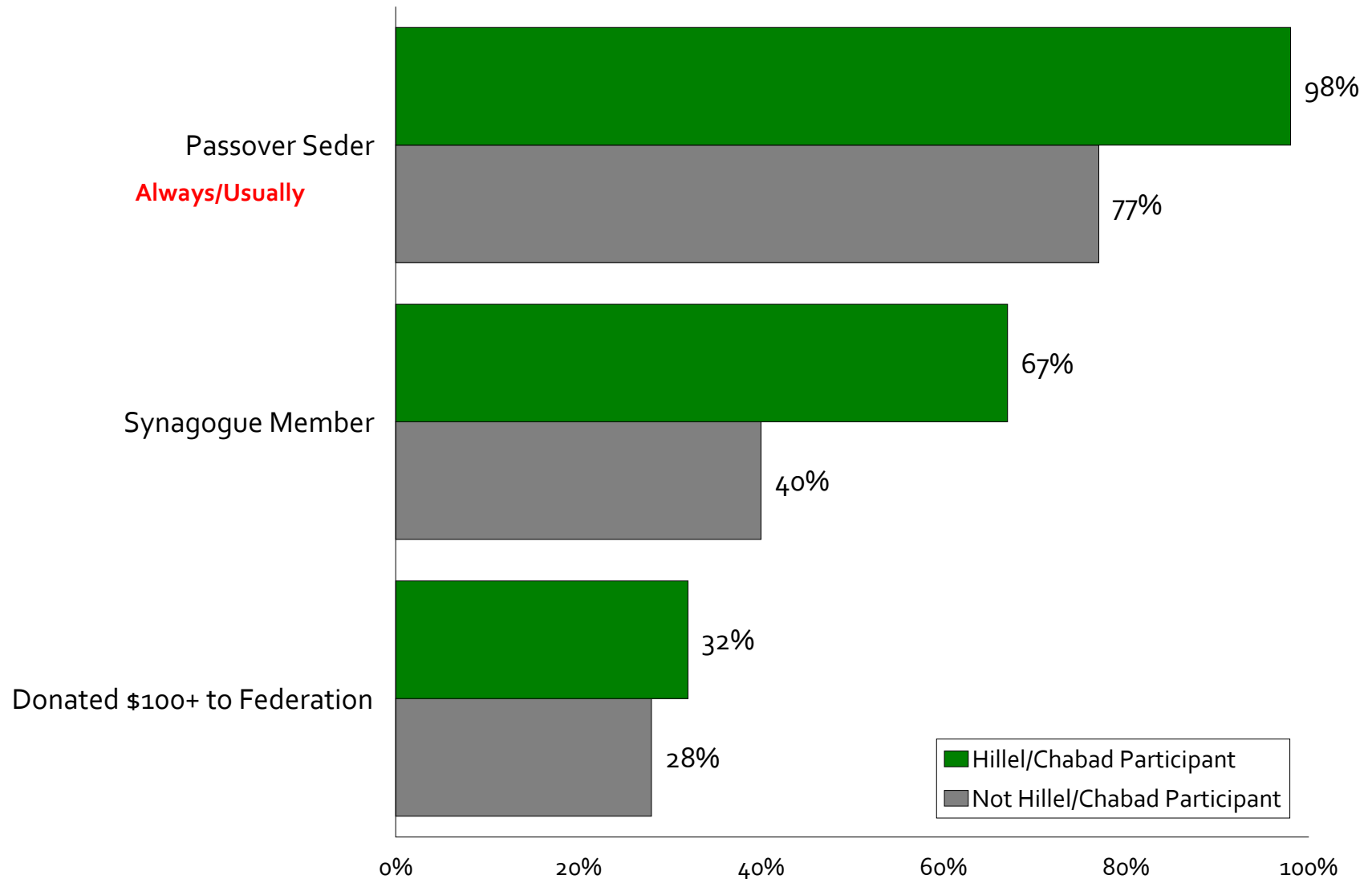


Households in Which the Respondent Participated in Hillel/Chabad While in College

(Excluding High Holidays)

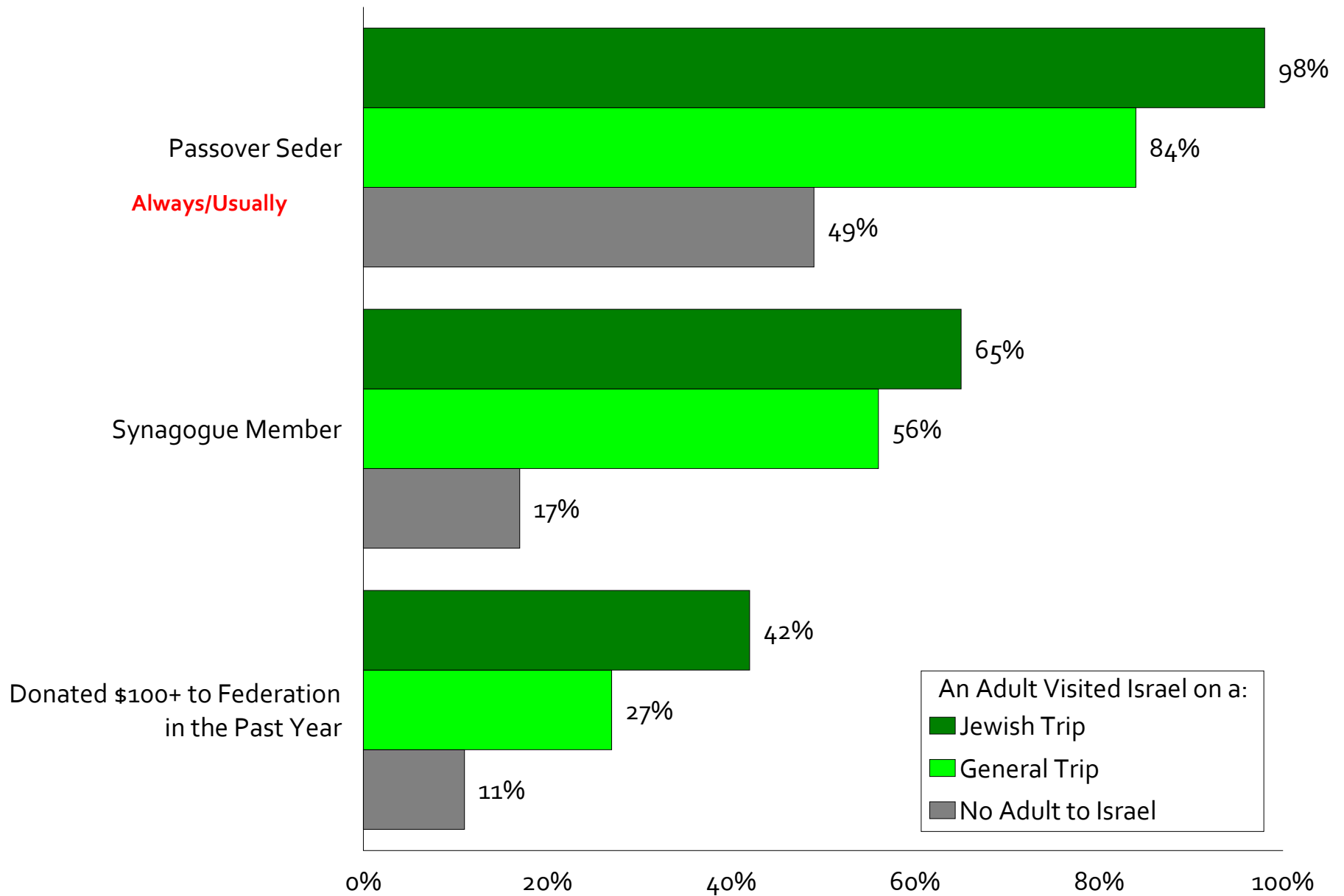
Correlation with Adult Jewish Behaviors

(Households with Born or Raised Jewish Respondents Who Attended College)



Households in Which an Adult Has Visited Israel

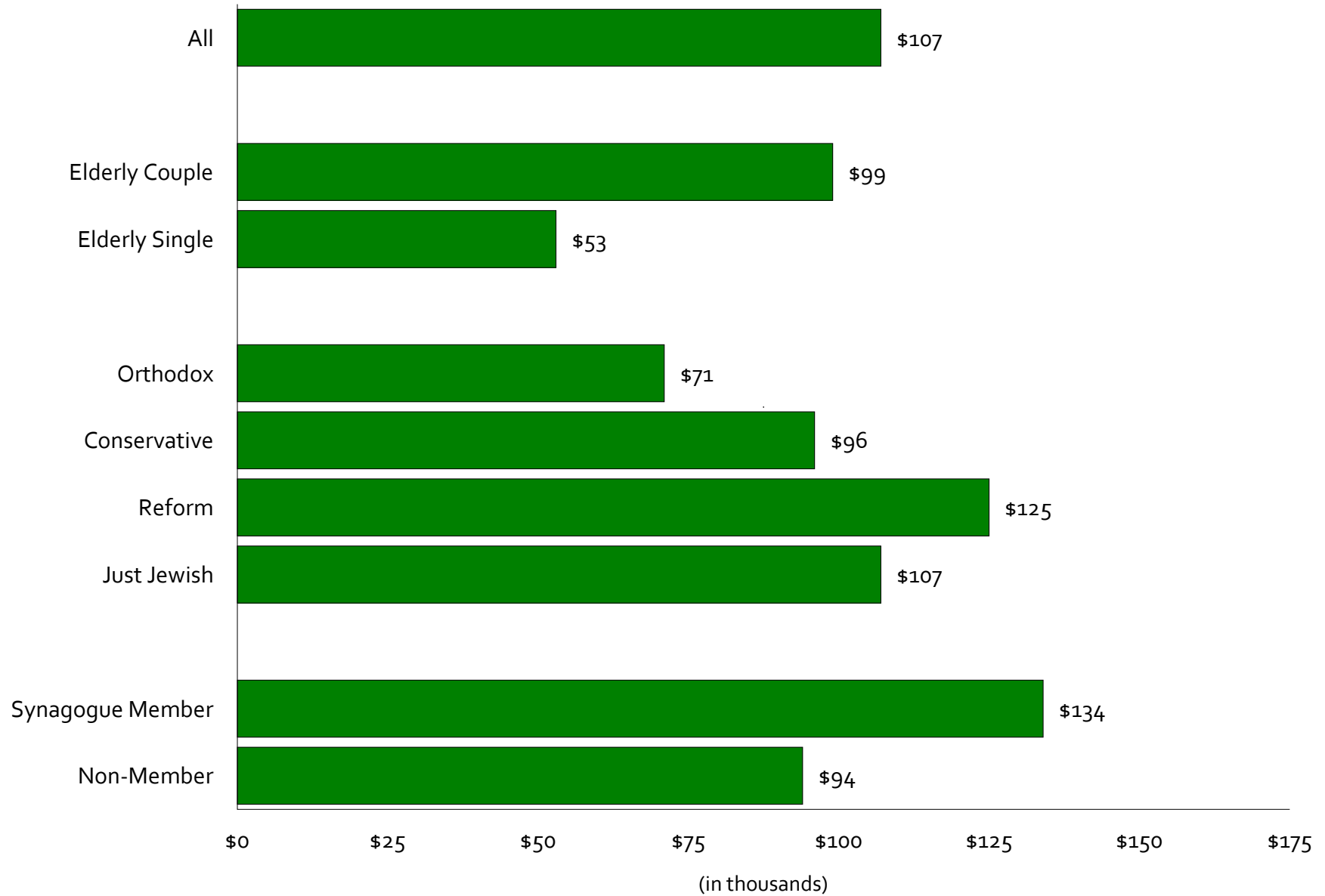
(Jewish Households)



A Few Other Interesting Findings

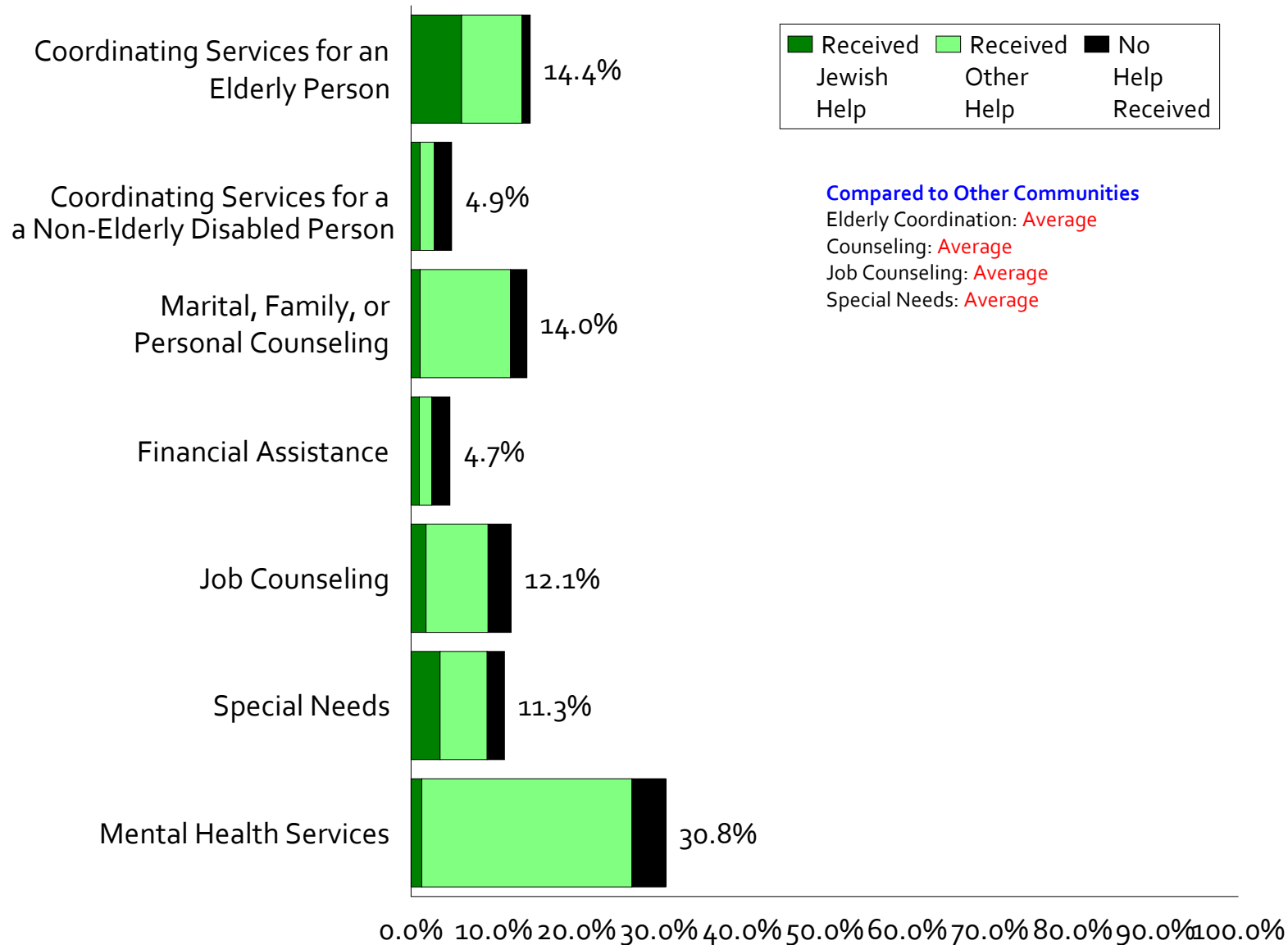
Median Household Income

(Jewish Households)



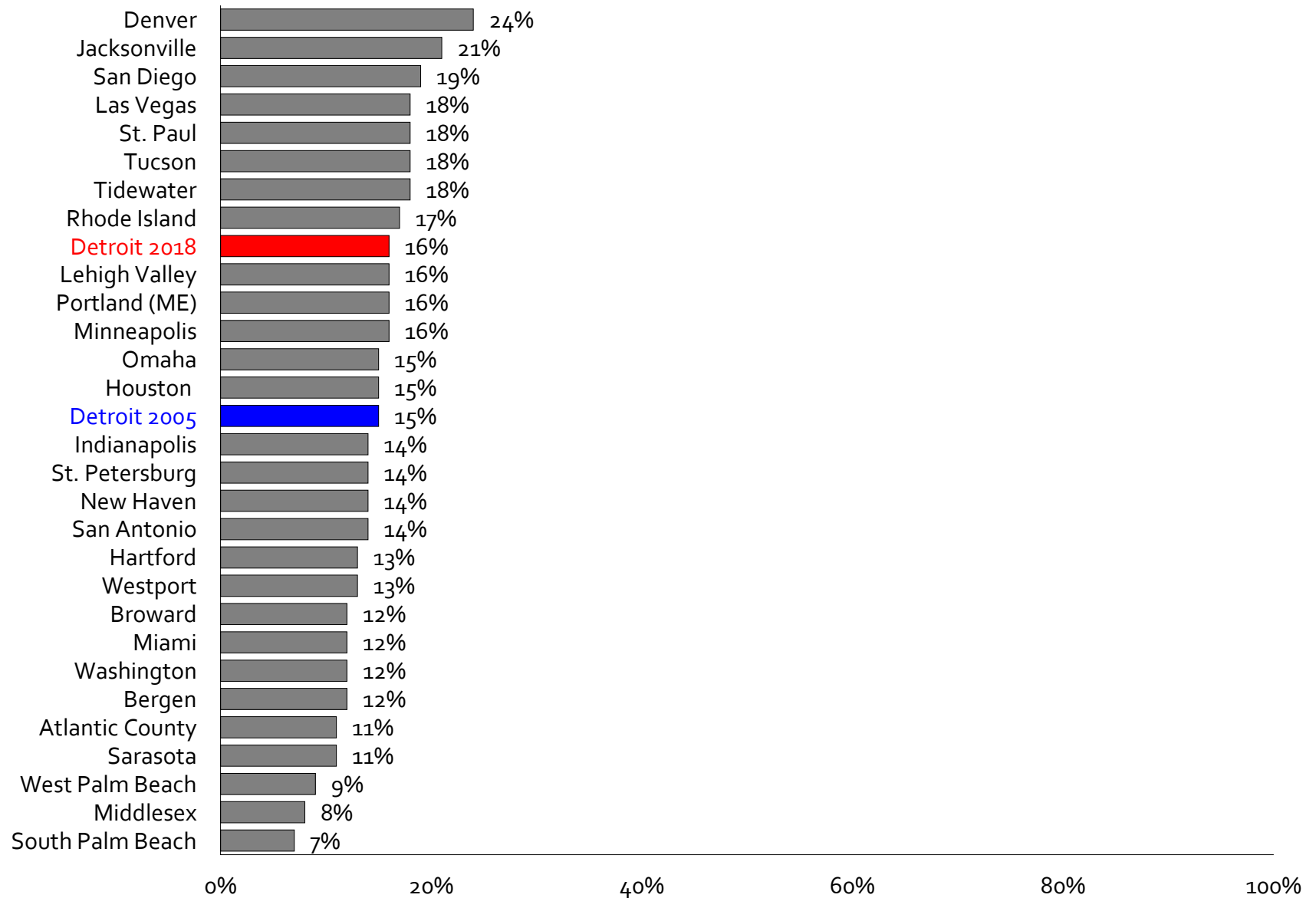
Need for Social Services in the Past Year

(Jewish Households, except Job Counseling-- Households Age 18-64 and
Special Needs, Mental Health Services--Households with Children)



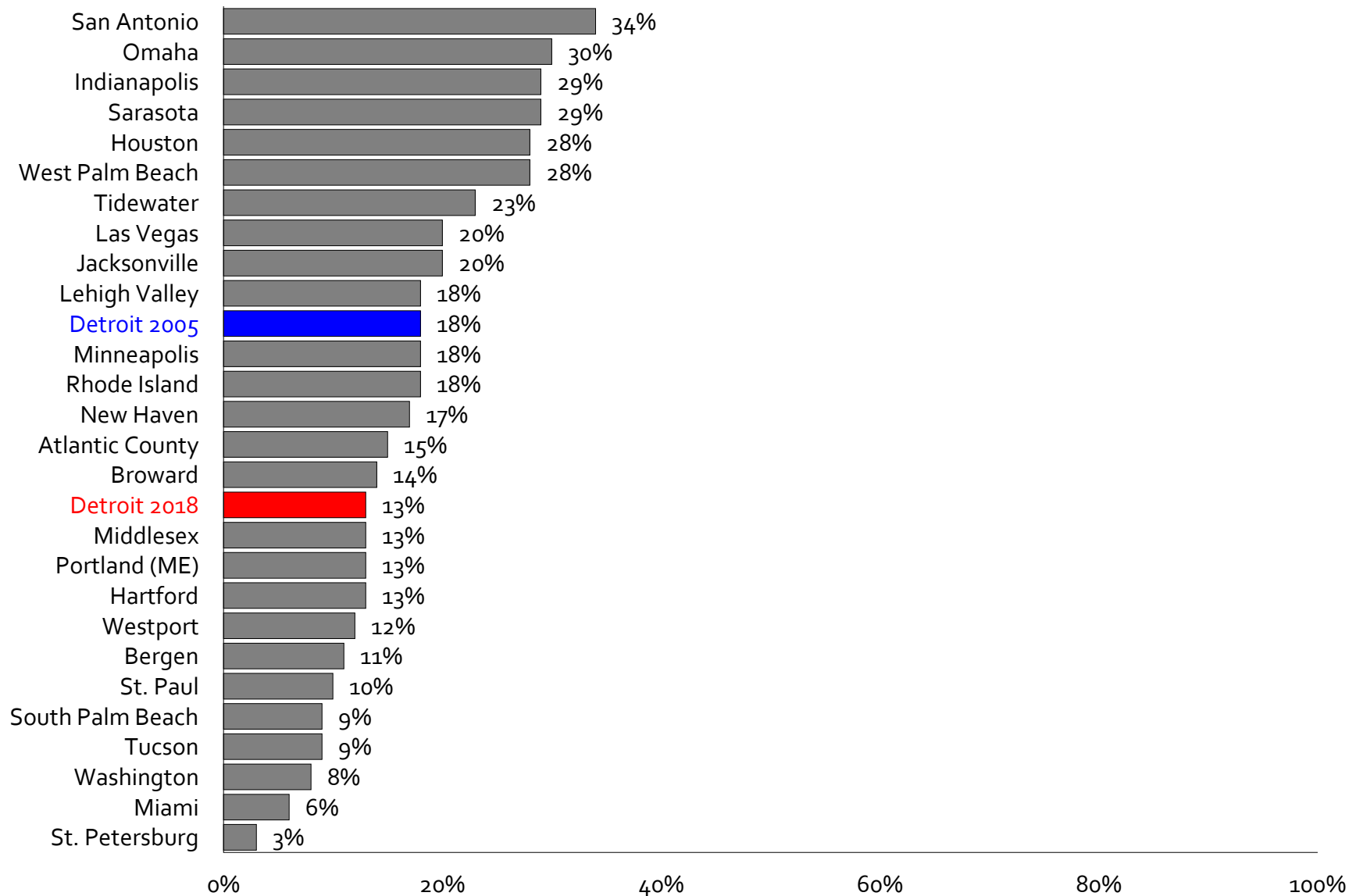
Personally Experienced Antisemitism in Local Community in the Past Year

(Jewish Respondents)



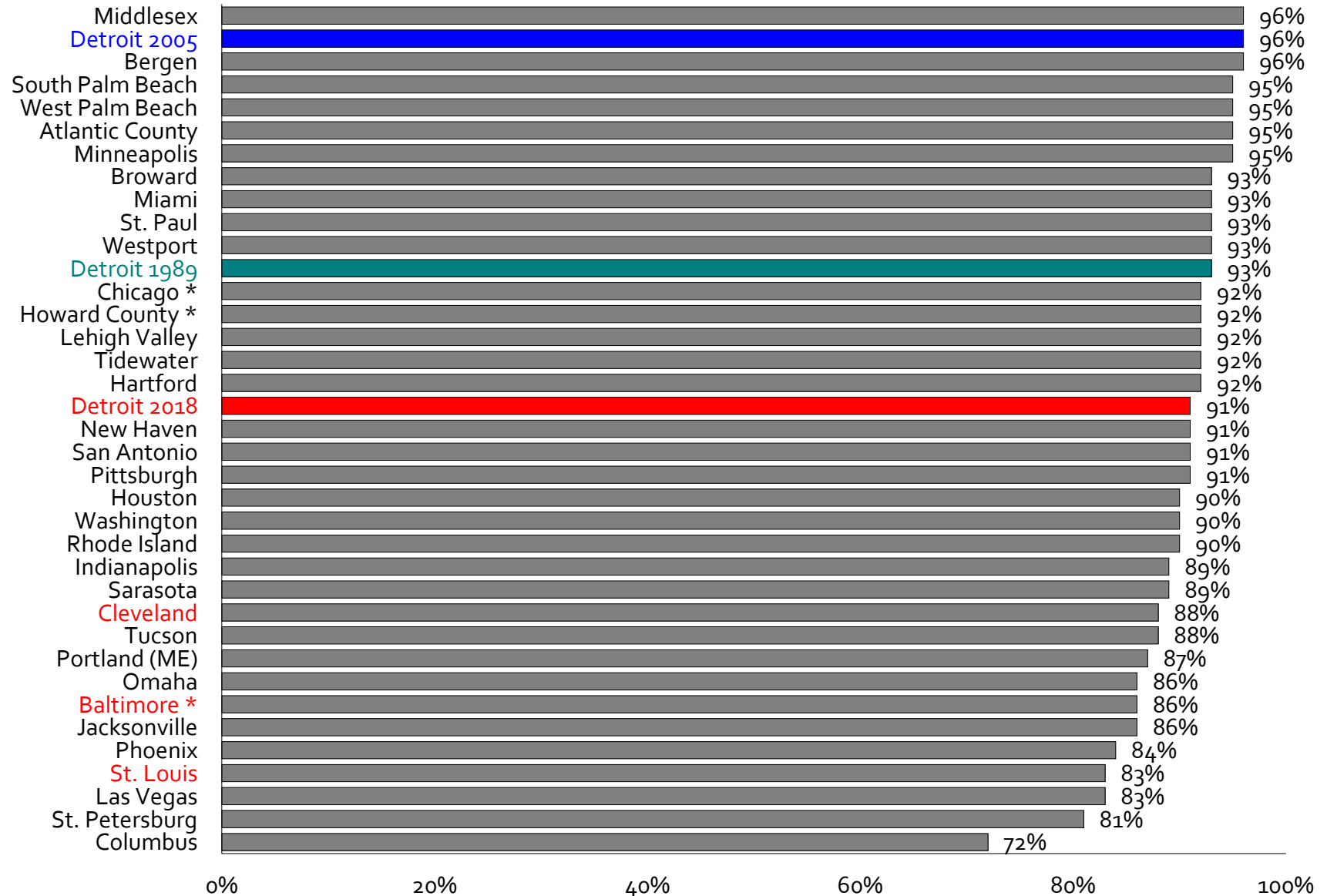
Households in Which a Jewish Child Age 6-17 Experienced Antisemitism in the Local Community in the Past Year

(Households with Jewish Children Age 6-17)



Overall Involvement in Jewish Activity

(Practice, Attend Synagogue Services at Least Once per Year, Associated,
or Donated to a Jewish Charity in the Past Year)
(Jewish Households)



* Excludes attendance at synagogue services at least once per year

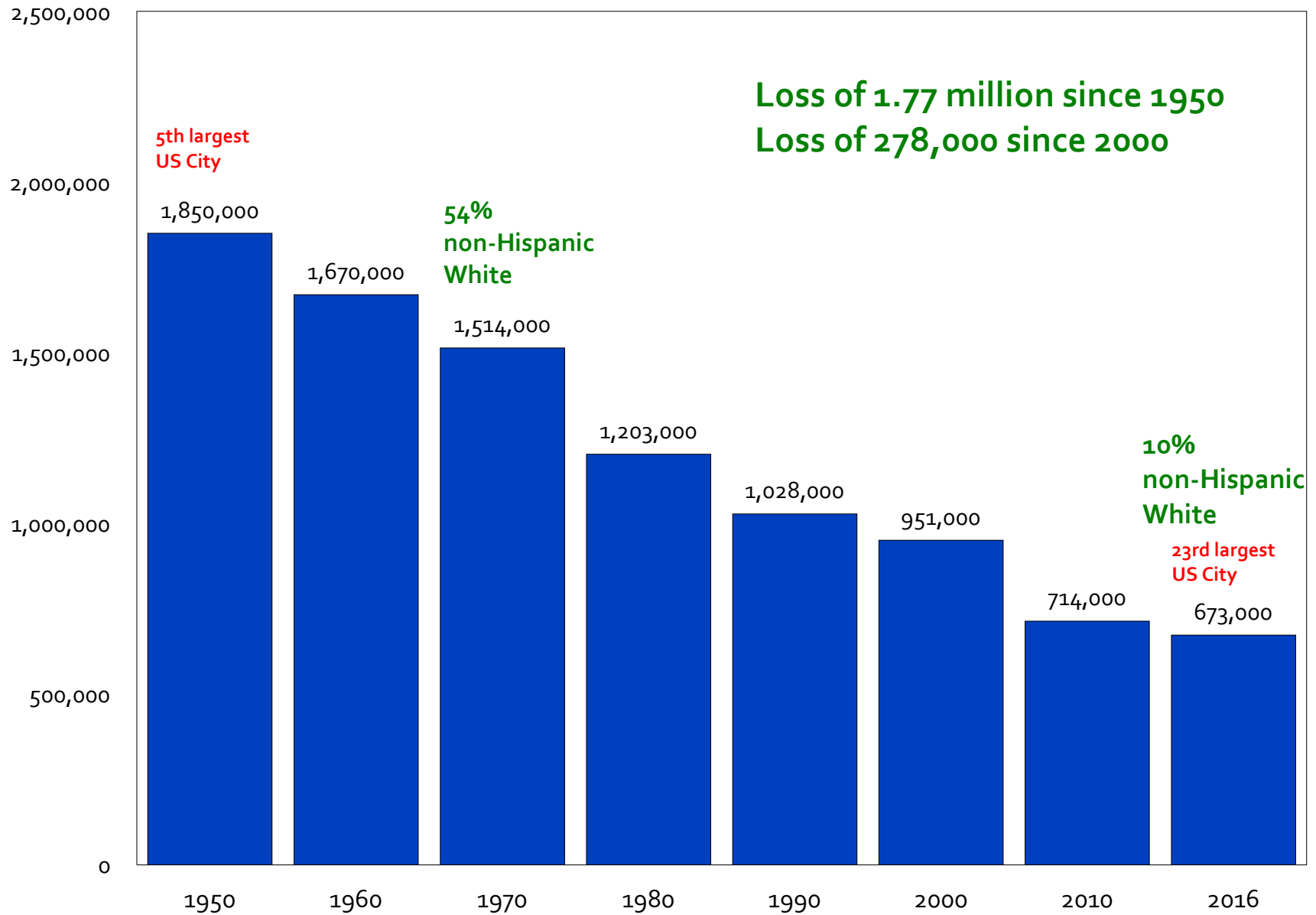
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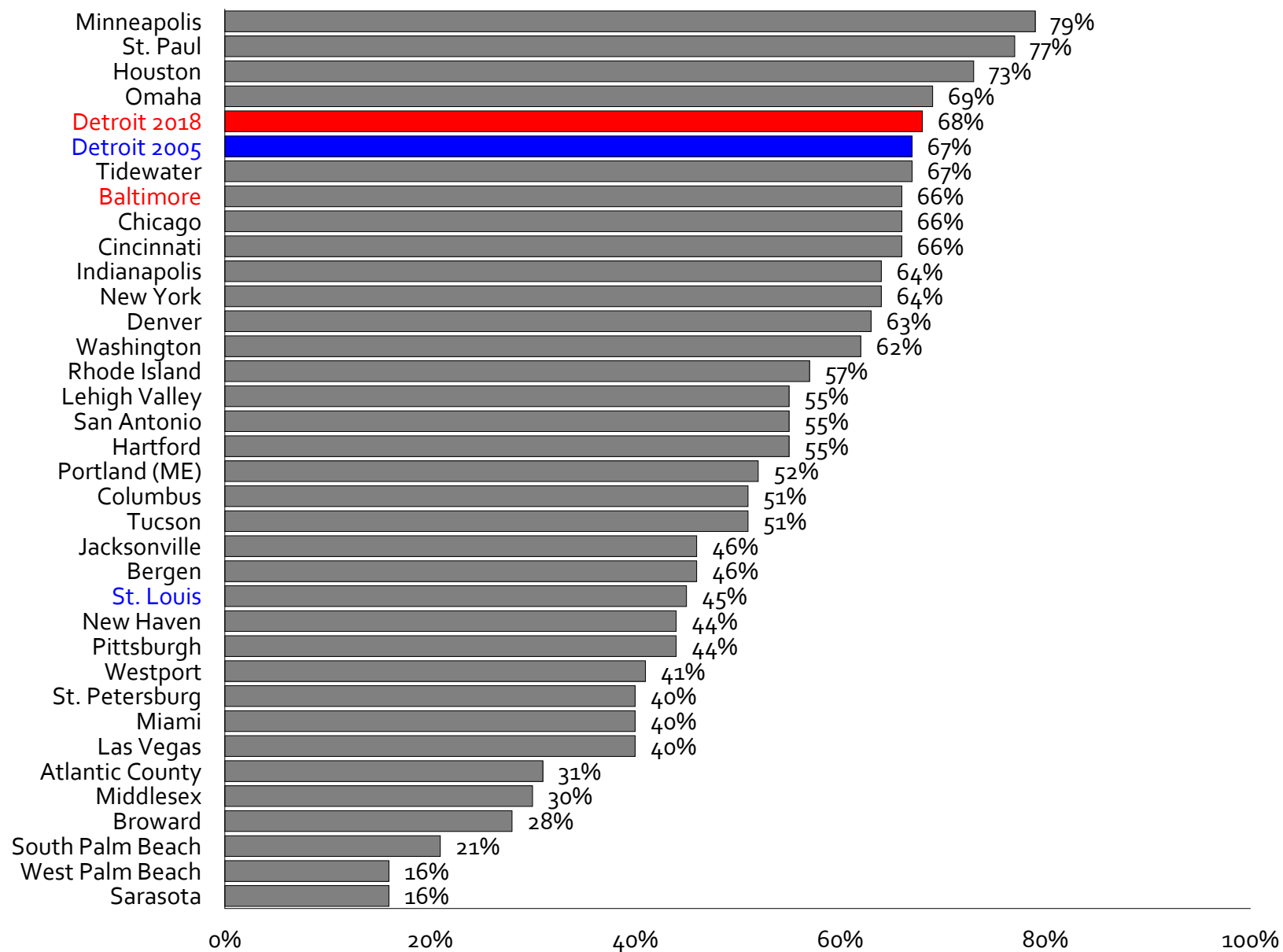
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General Population of City of Detroit



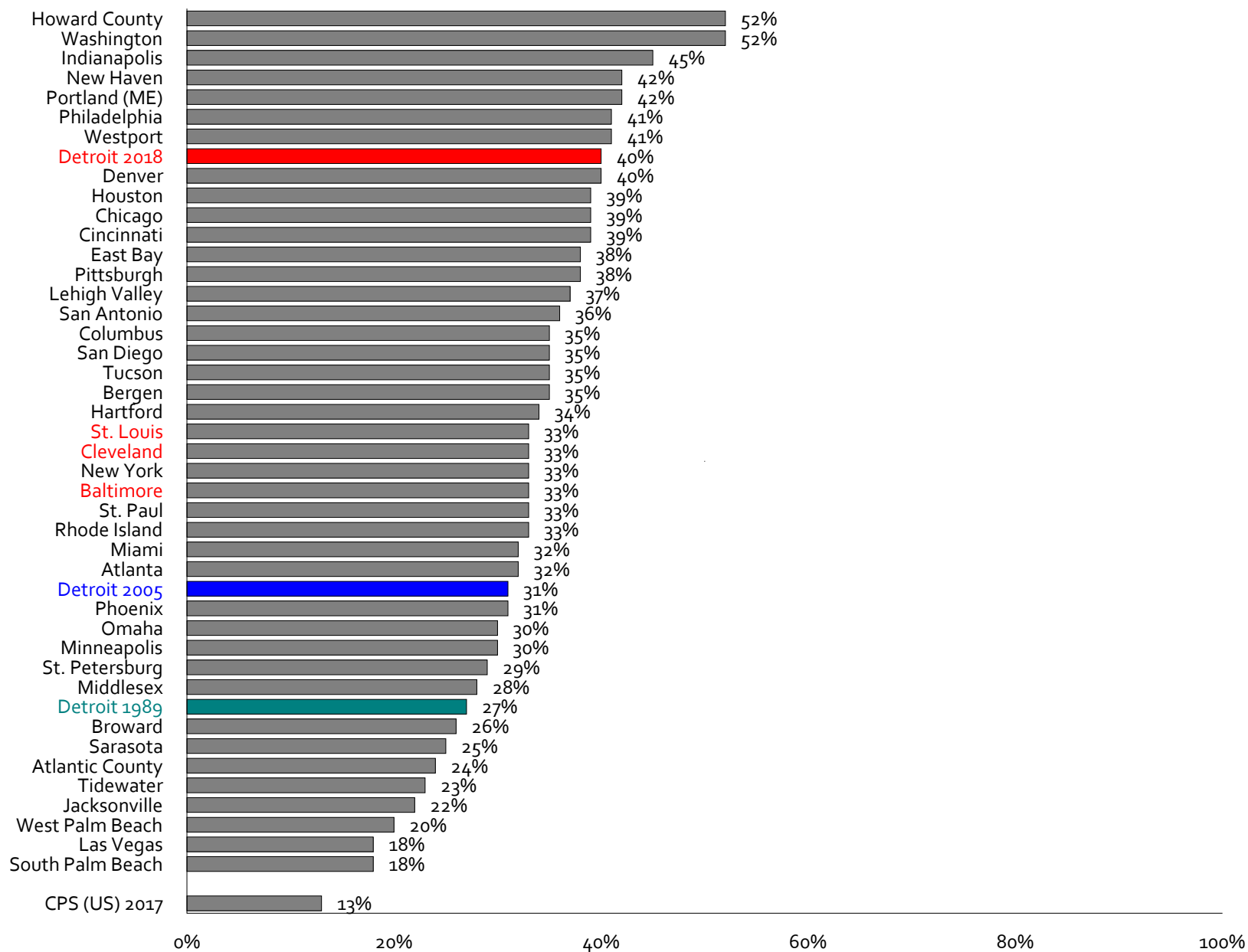
Have a Local Adult Child

Households Age 75 and Over



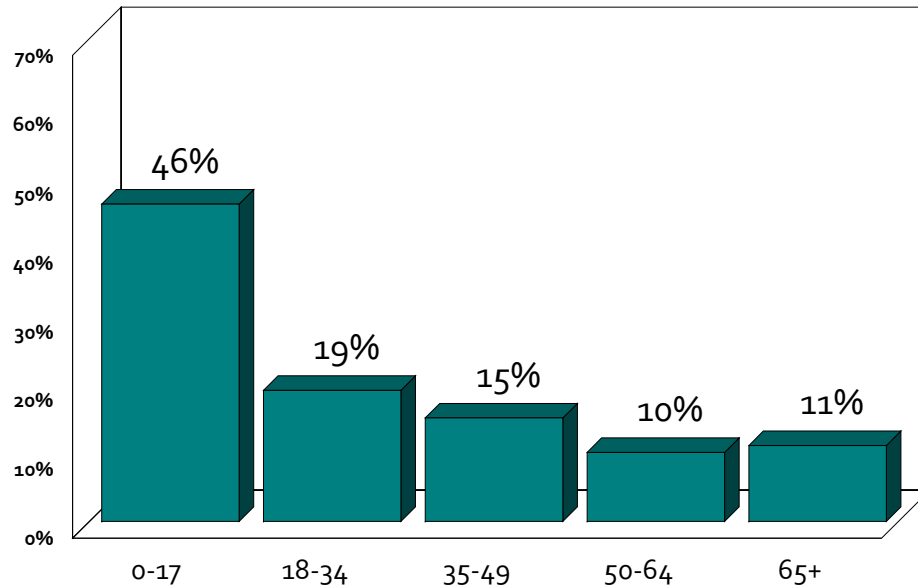
Graduate Degree

(Adults Age 25 and Over in Jewish Households)

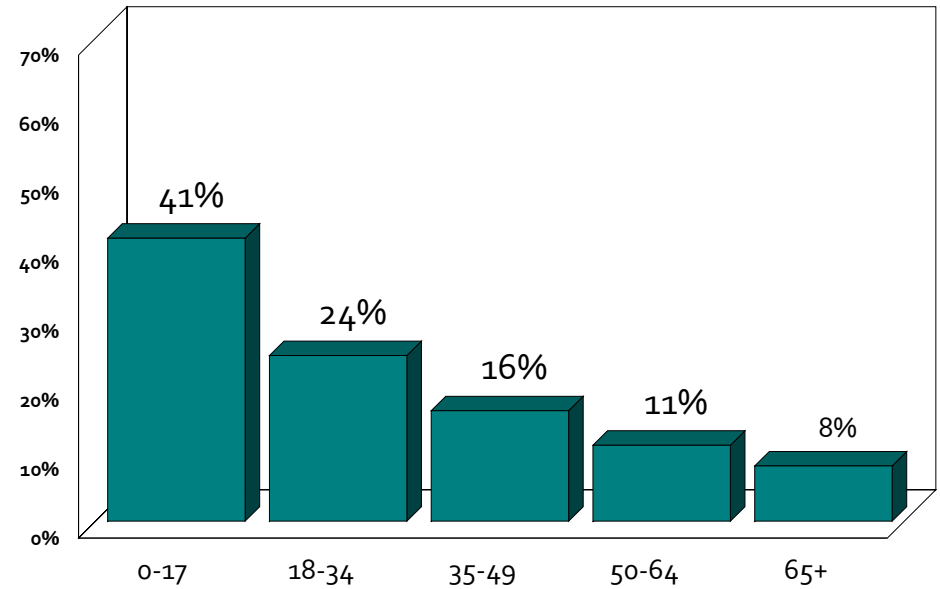


Age Distribution by Jewish Identification

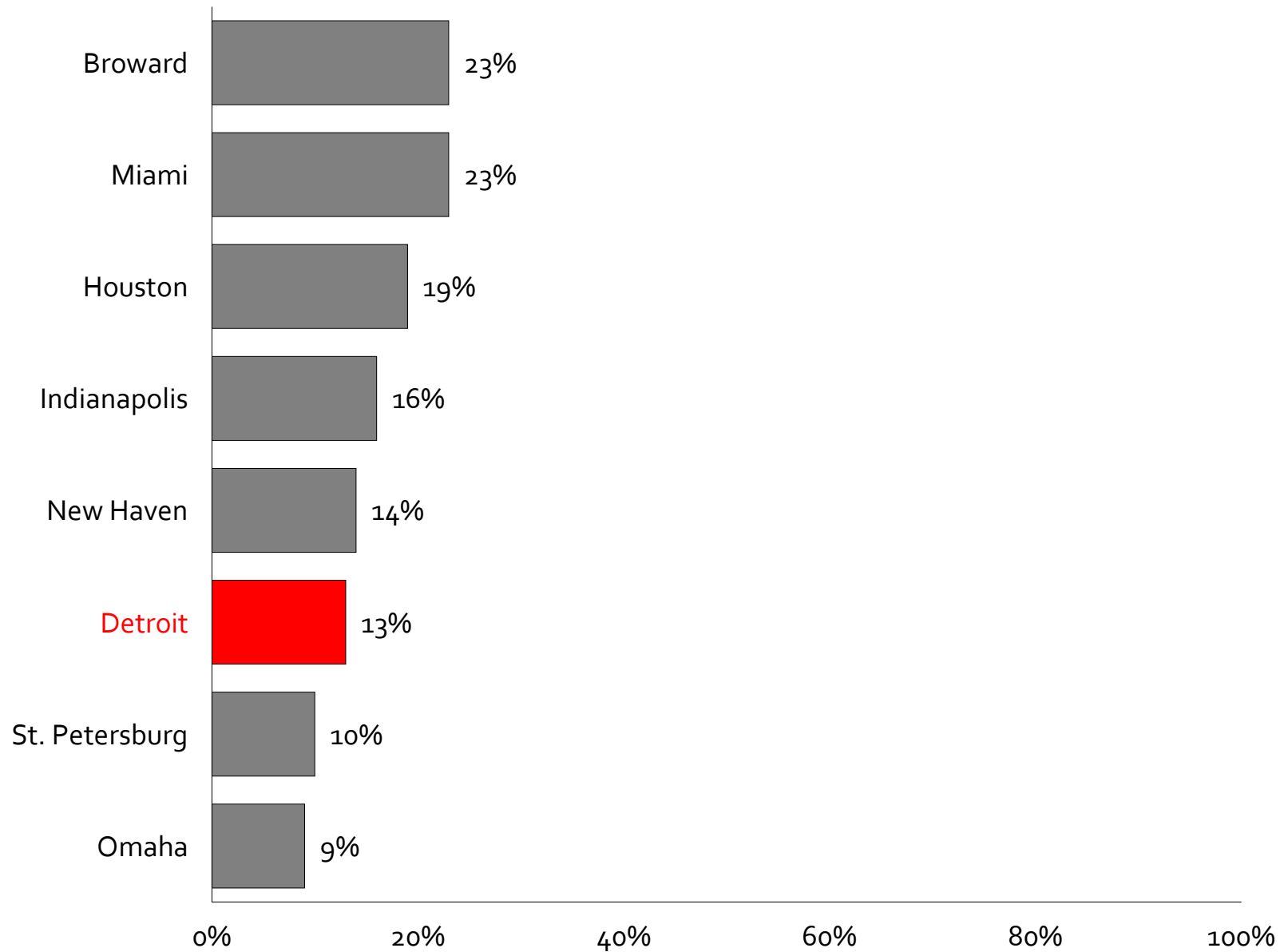
Orthodox 2005



Orthodox 2018

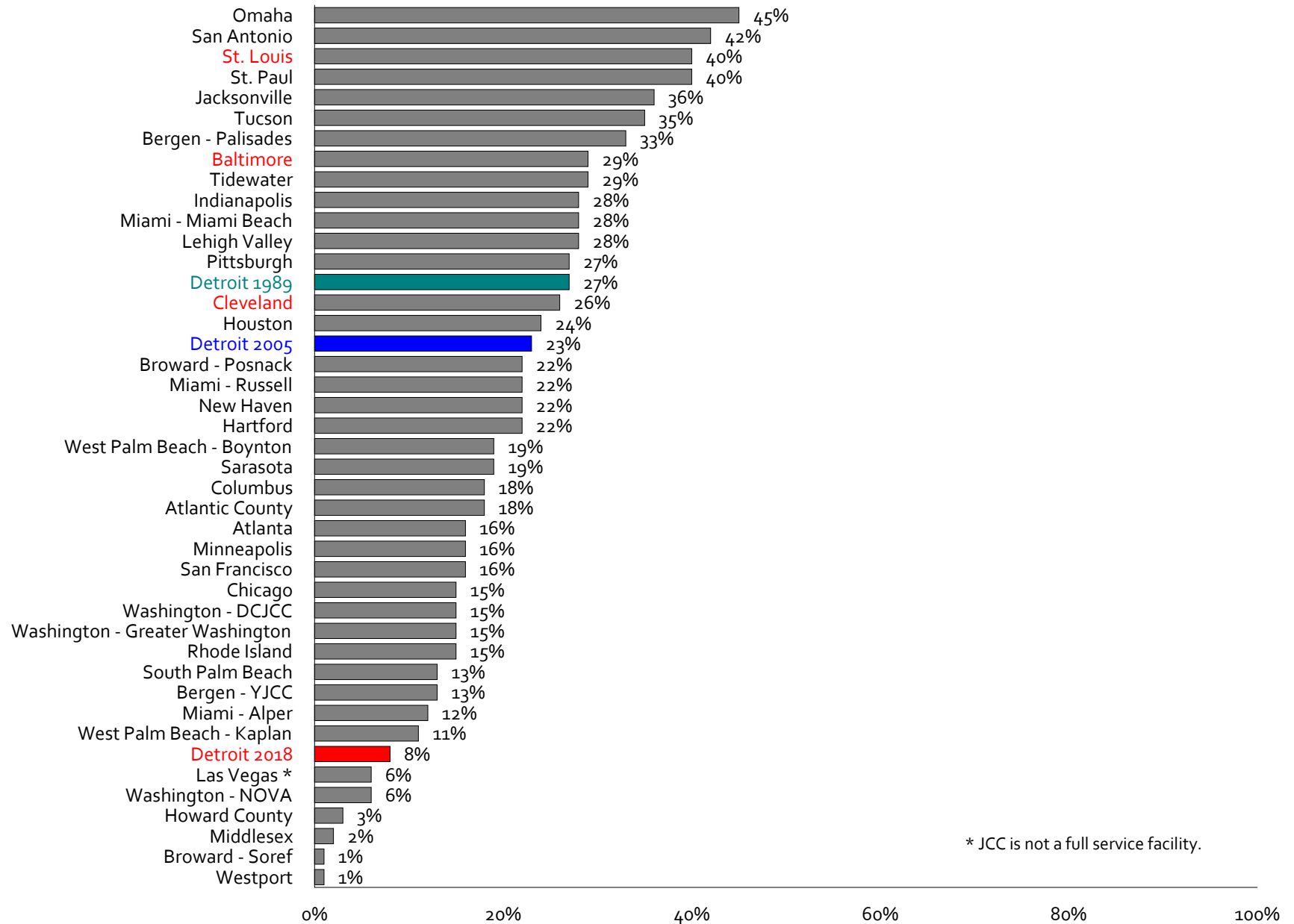


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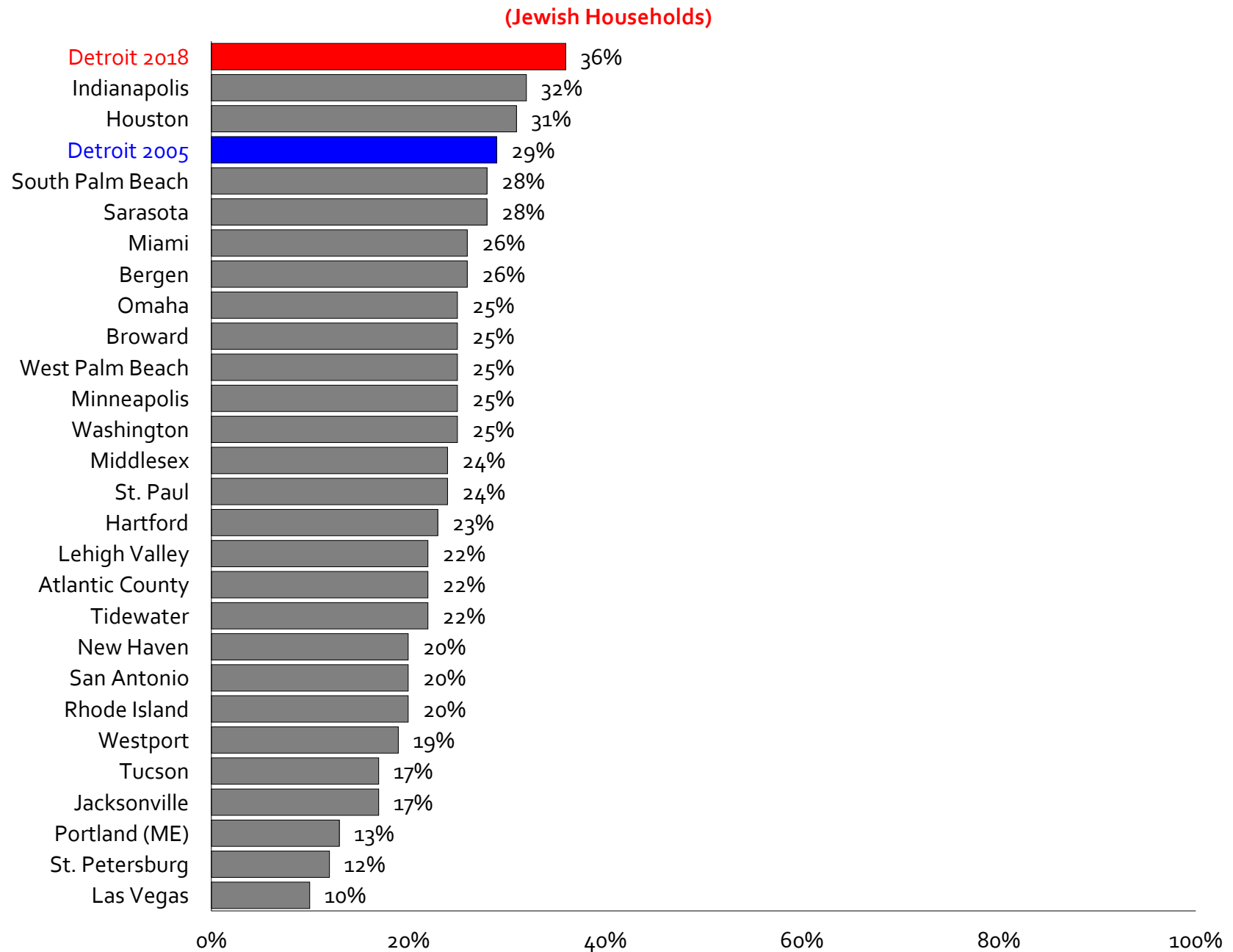


JCC Membership

Households with Children



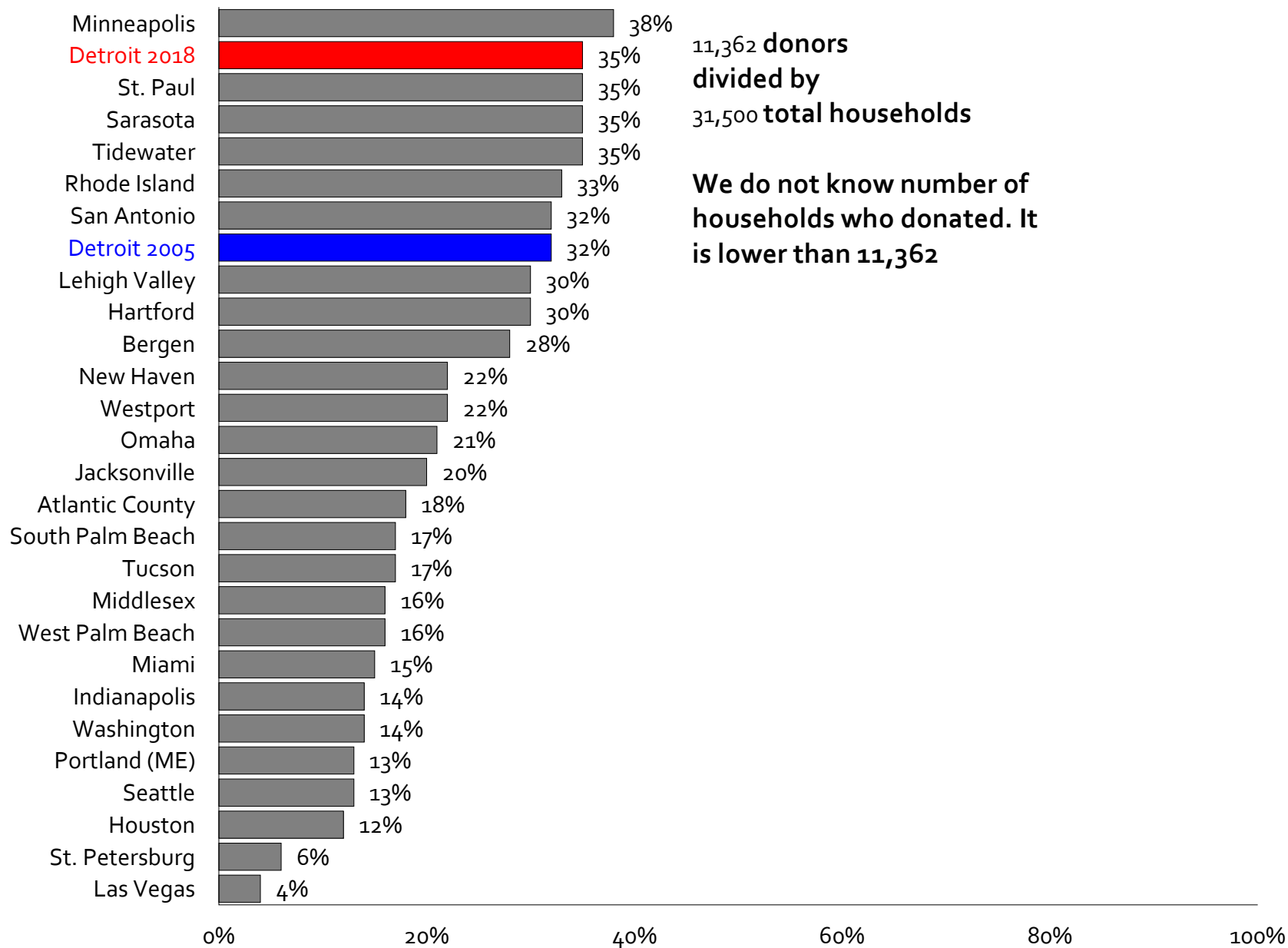
76 Households in Which a Member Visited Israel on a Jewish Trip



Donated to Local Jewish Federation in the Past Year

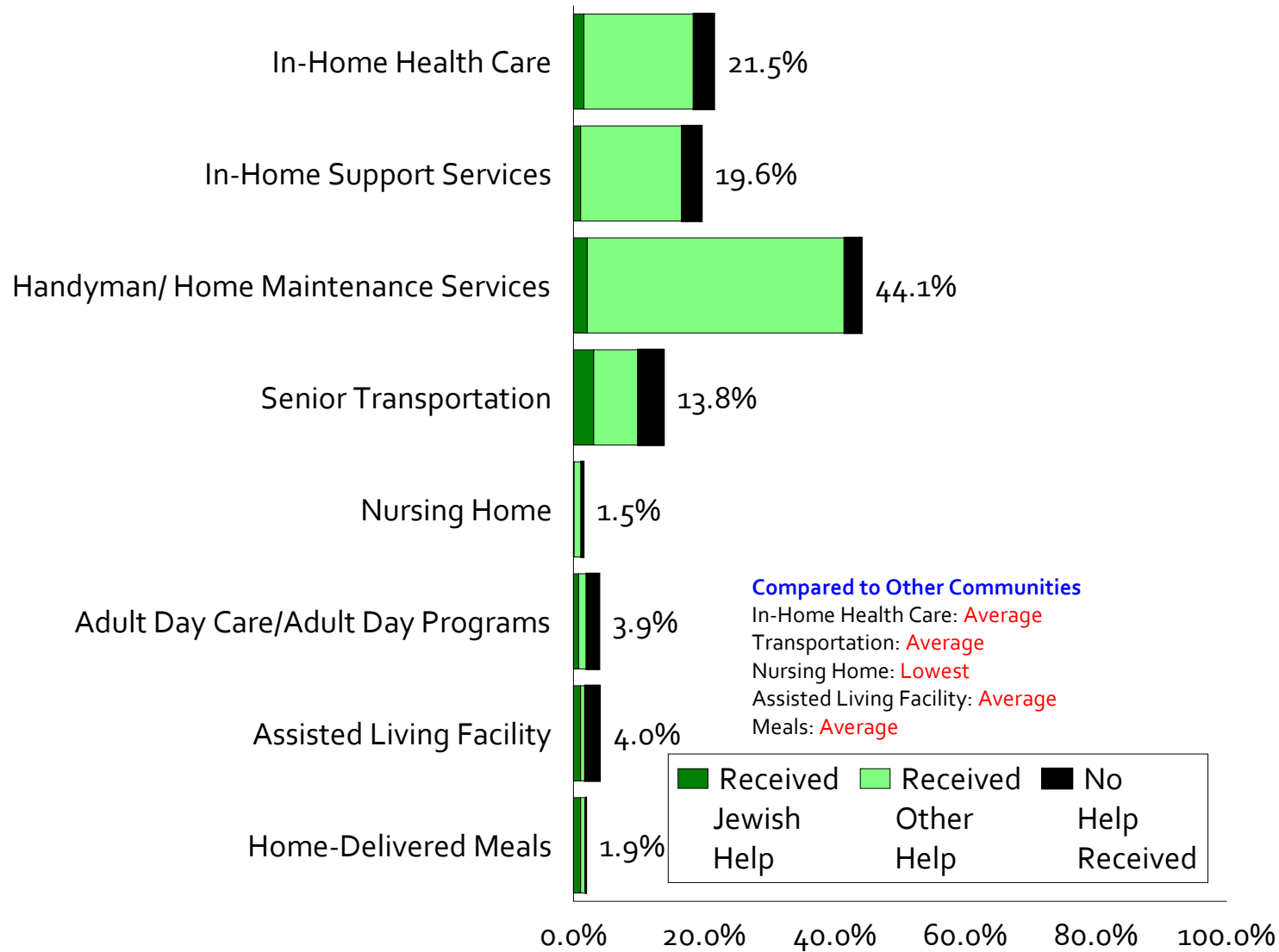
(Based upon the Jewish Federation Survey)

(Jewish Households)



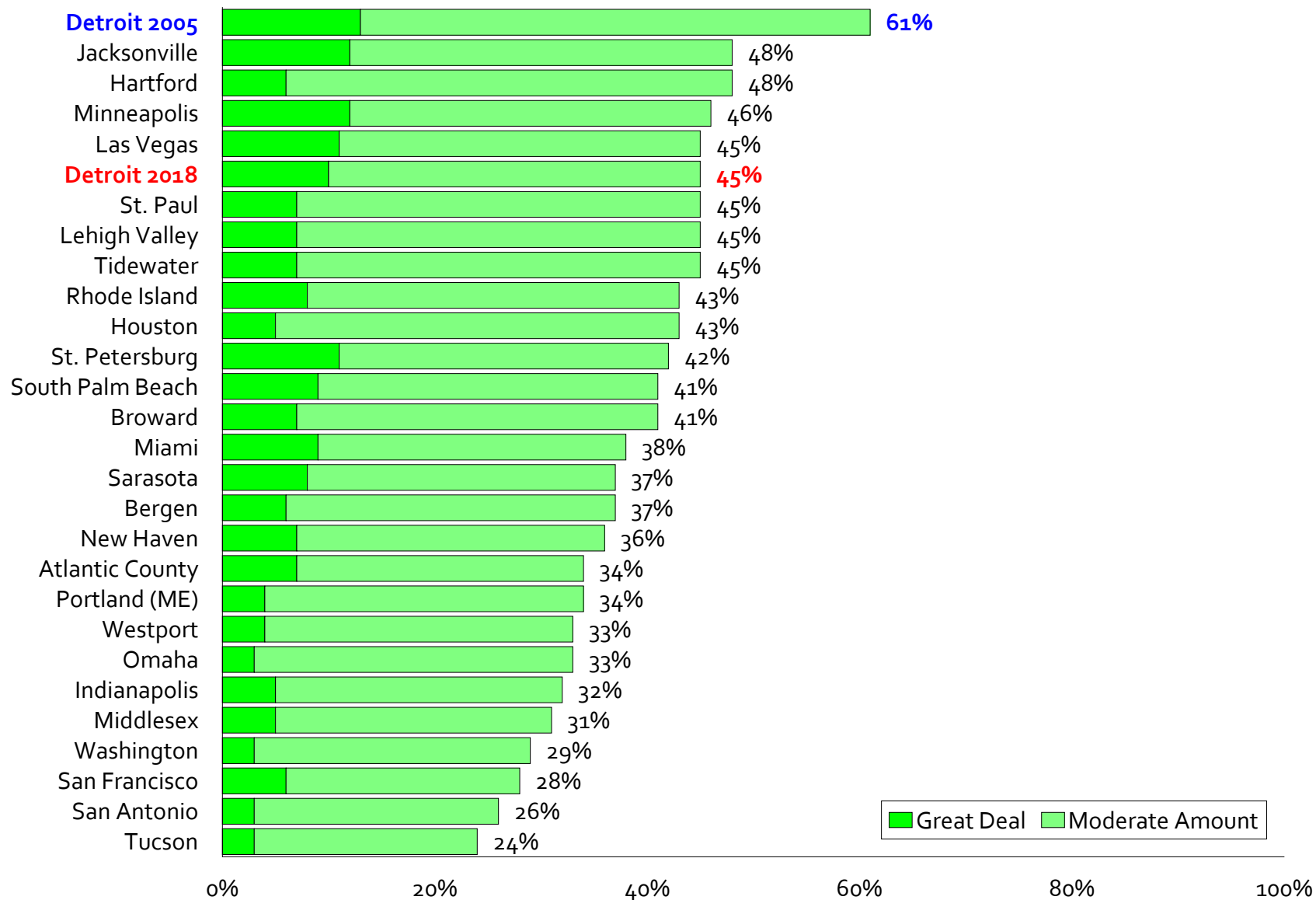
Need for Social Services in the Past Year

(Households with Persons Age 75 and Over)



Perceive a Great Deal/Moderate Amount of Antisemitism in Local Community

(Respondents)



Summary of Donations

(Jewish Households)

Compared to about 40 other Jewish communities:

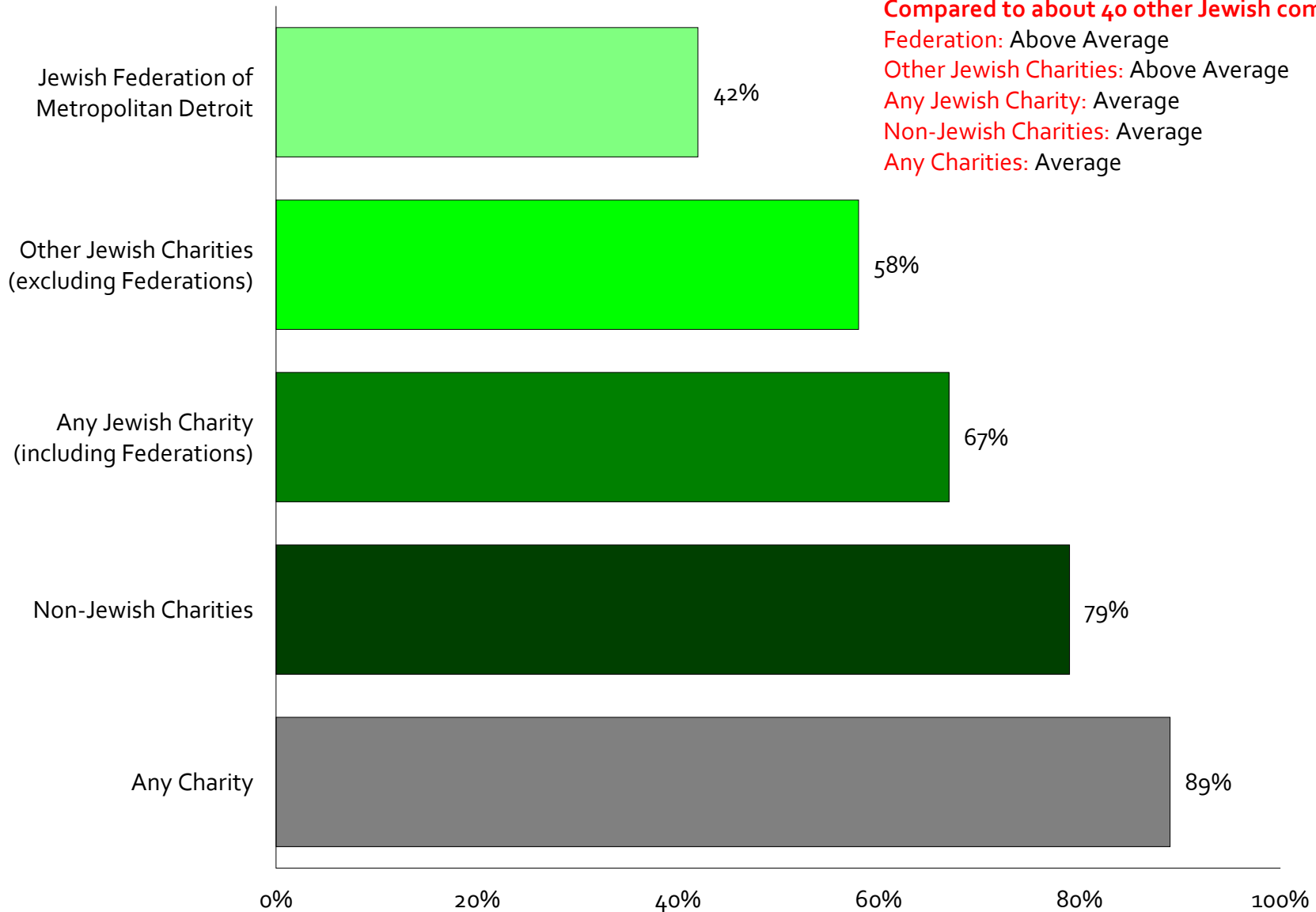
Federation: Above Average

Other Jewish Charities: Above Average

Any Jewish Charity: Average

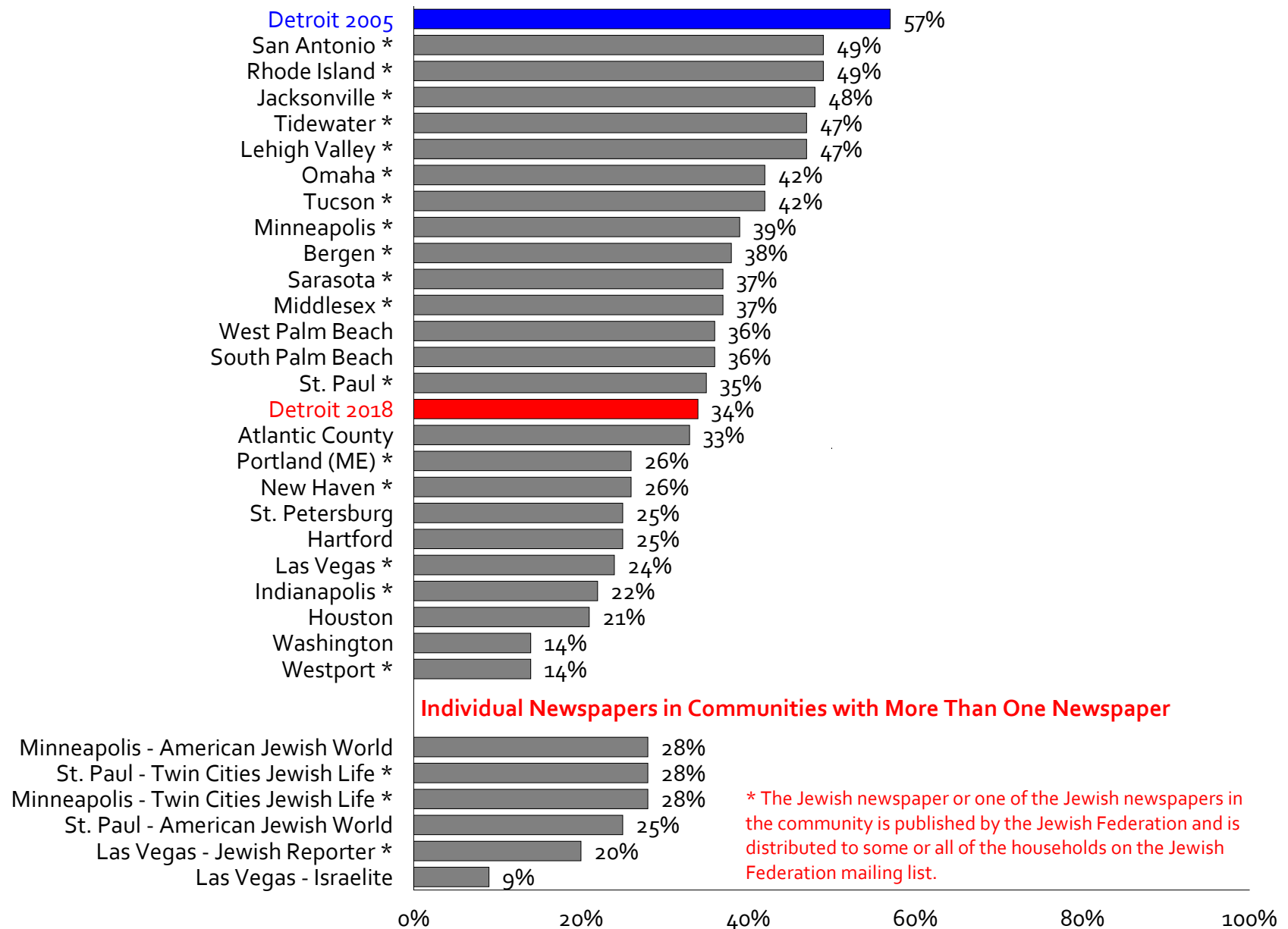
Non-Jewish Charities: Average

Any Charities: Average



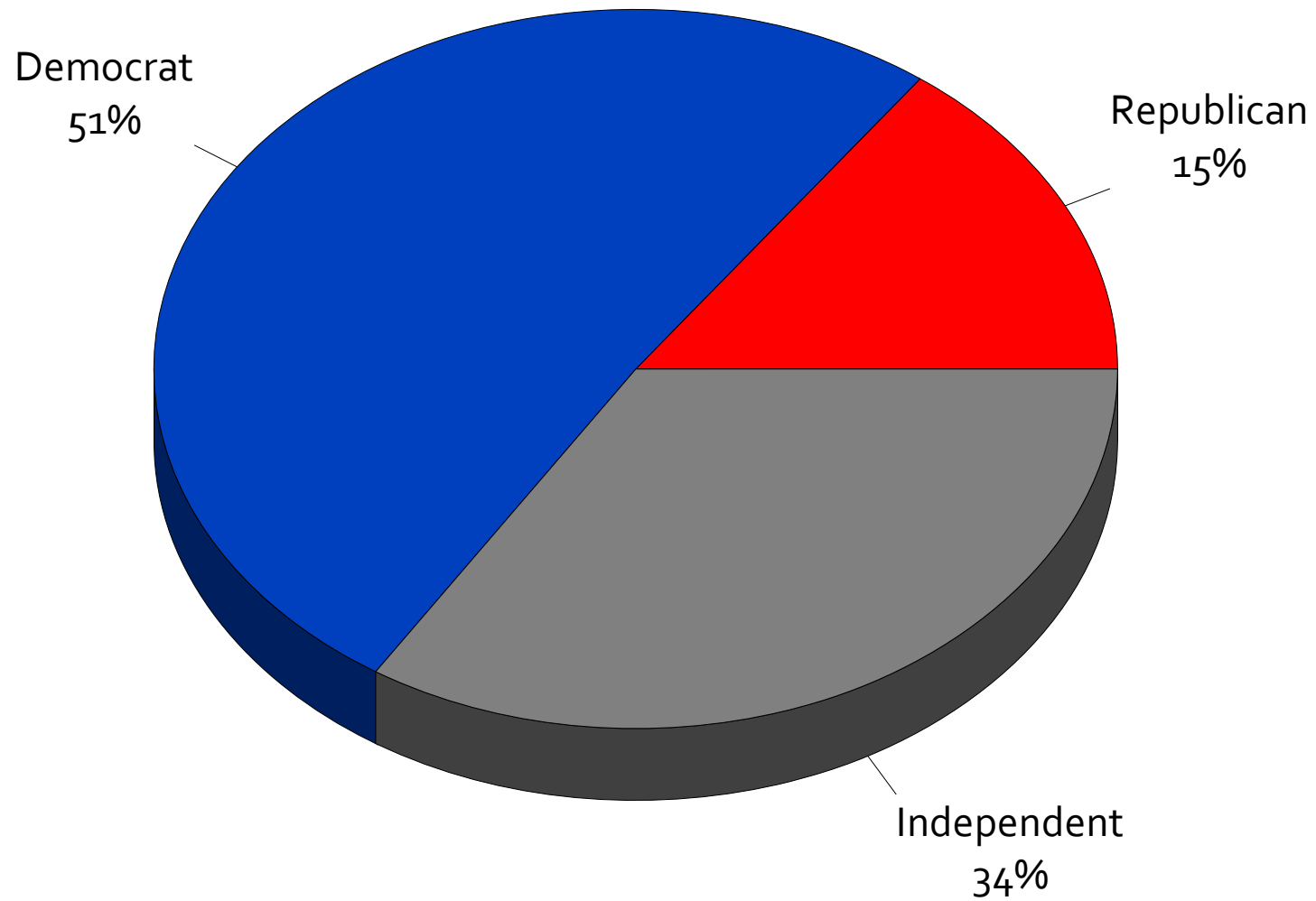
Always/Usually Read a Local Jewish Newspaper

(Jewish Respondents)



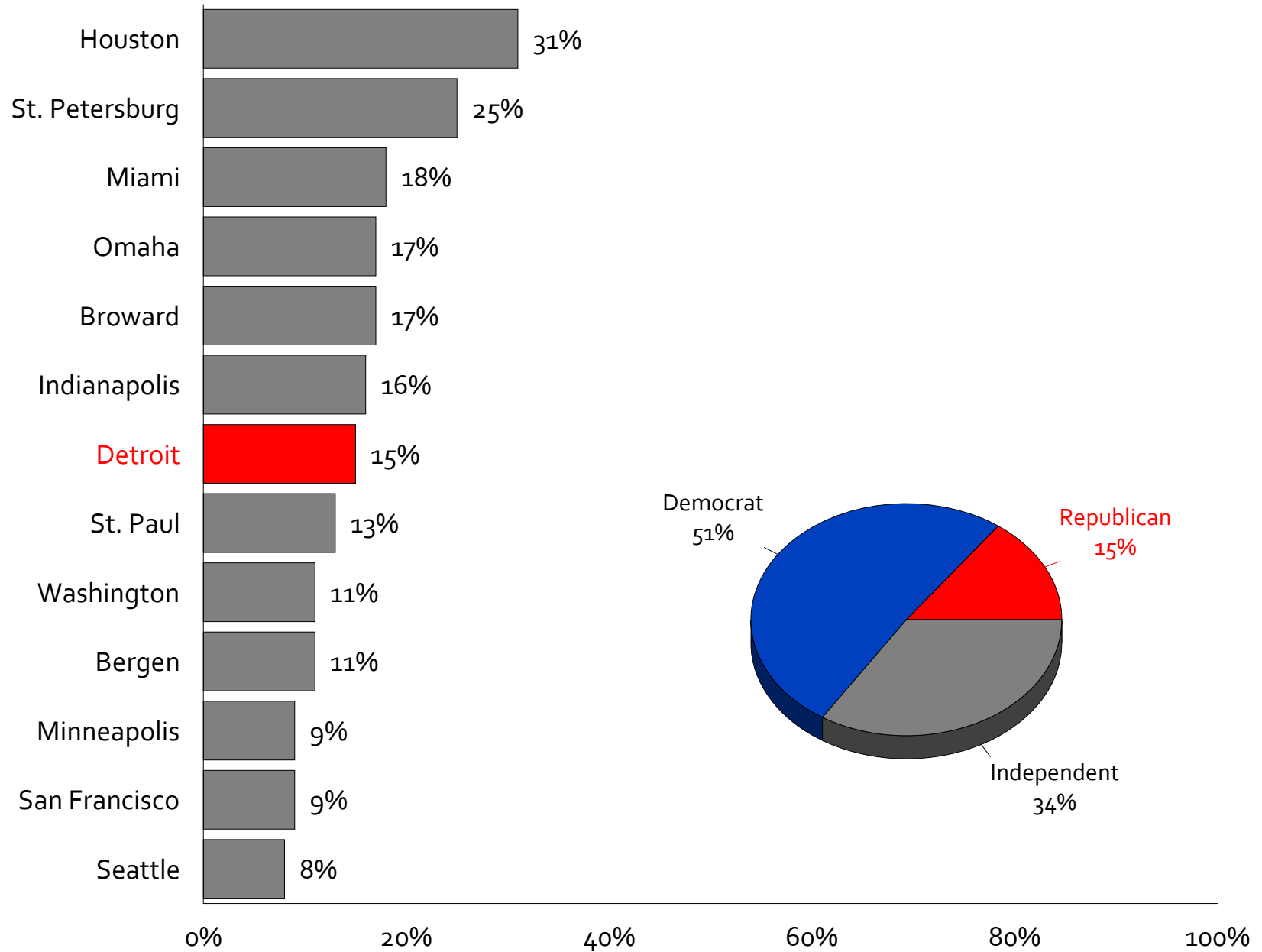
Political Party

(Jewish Respondents)



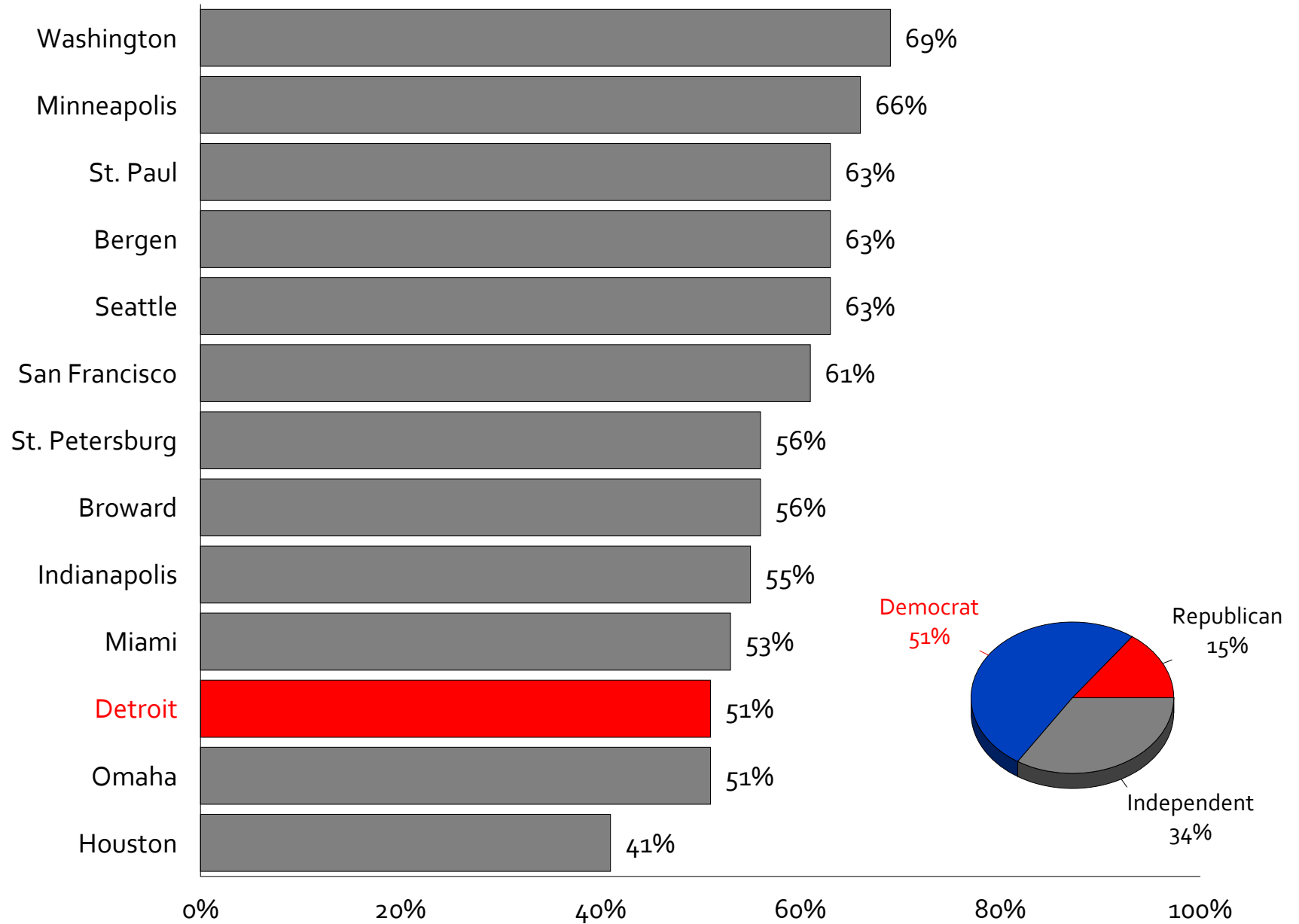
Percentage Republican

(Jewish Respondents)



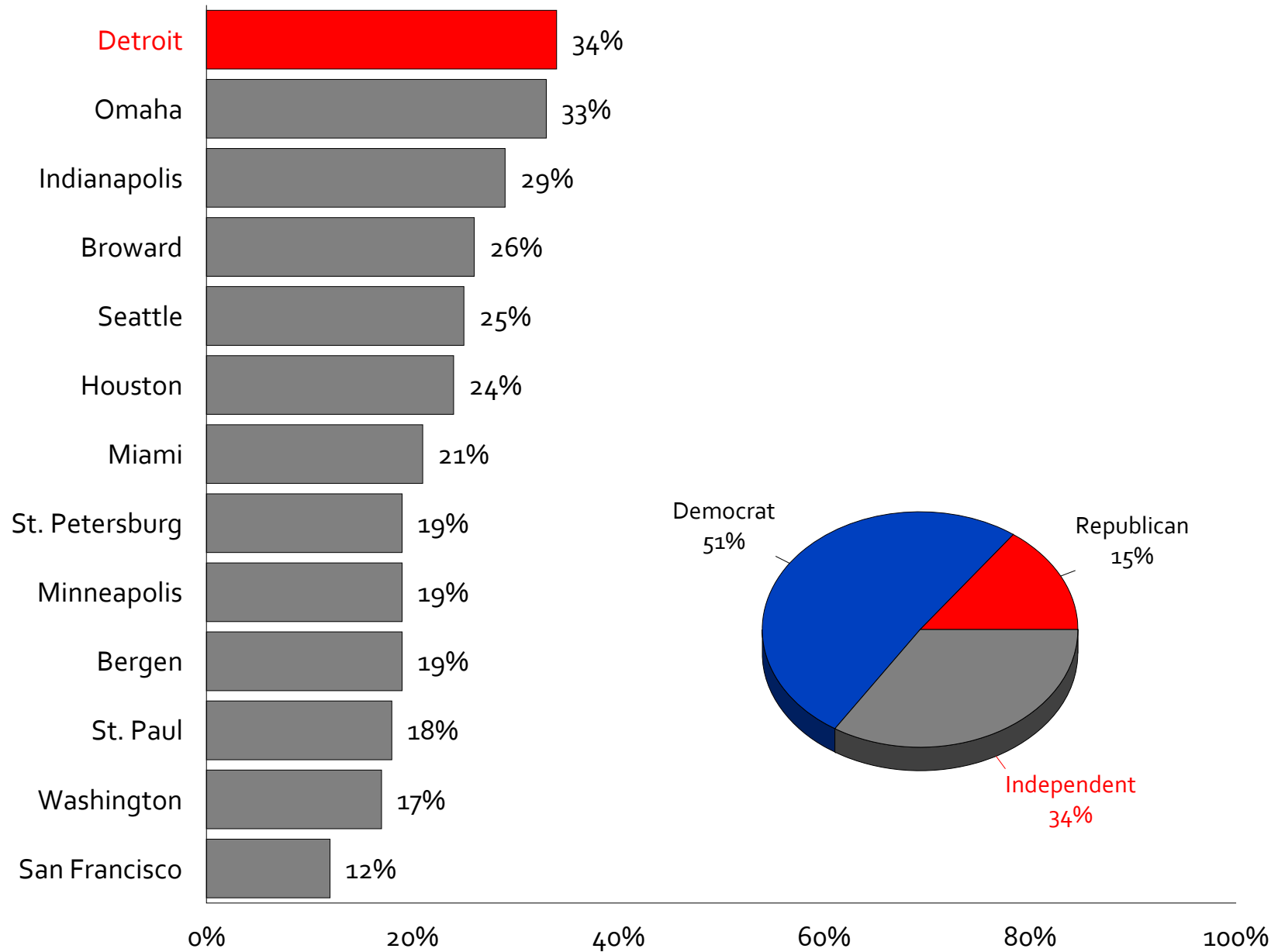
Percentage Democrat

(Jewish Respondents)



Percentage Independent

(Jewish Respondents)



Not at All Familiar with the Local Jewish Federation Y

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