Recently released MetroStats

Disparities Unmasked: The Twin Cities Metro in 2014

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Metropolitan Council



What's New

- American Community Survey data released (9/17)
 - A portrait of 2014, based on a sample of 2% of housing units
 - Available for geographic areas with at least 65,000 people
- MetroStats released (9/18): "Disparities Unmasked"
 - Overall, our metro area has some of the highest overall rates of employment and homeownership in the country
 - Our metro area also has some of the largest disparities by race and ethnicity in the country
 - Disparities are particularly striking for African Americans compared to whites

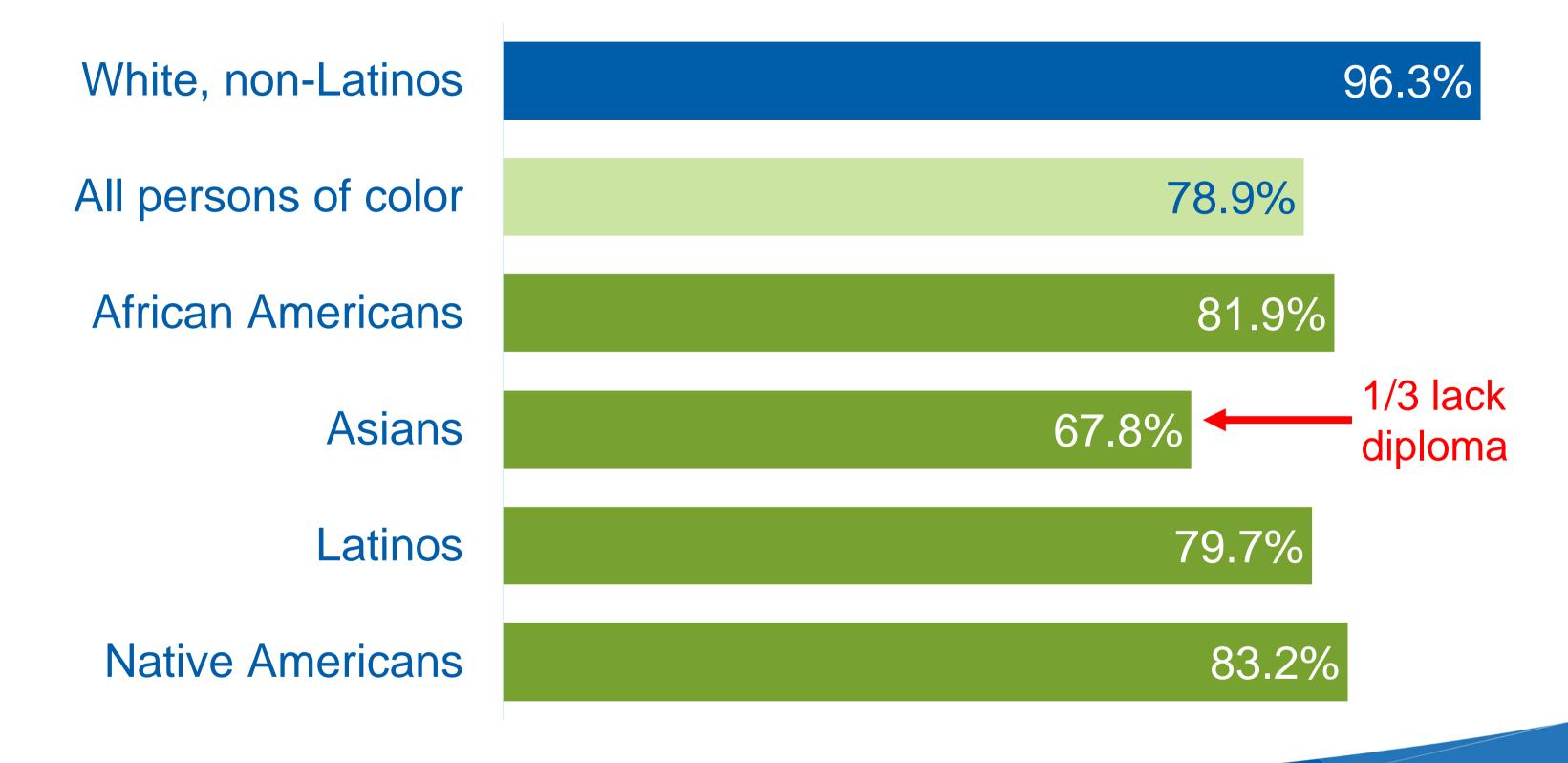


Overall, we are prosperous

	Twin Cities metro (16-county)	Rank among 25 largest metro areas (1 = highest)
% of adults with high school diploma or equivalent	93.2%	1
Employment rate	78.0%	1
% of people not in poverty	89.7%	2
Per capita income	\$35,652	6
Homeownership rate	69.9%	1

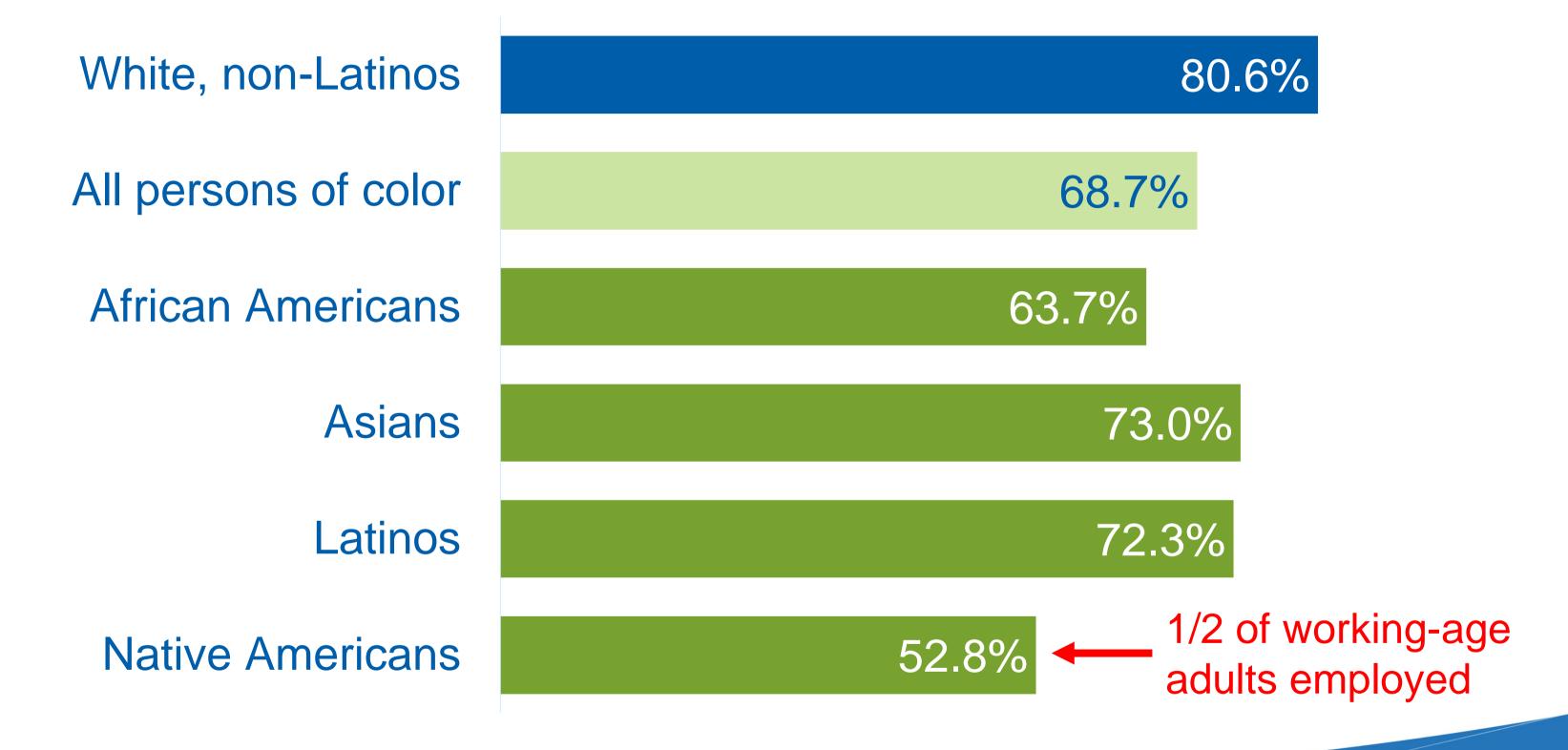


High school diploma or more



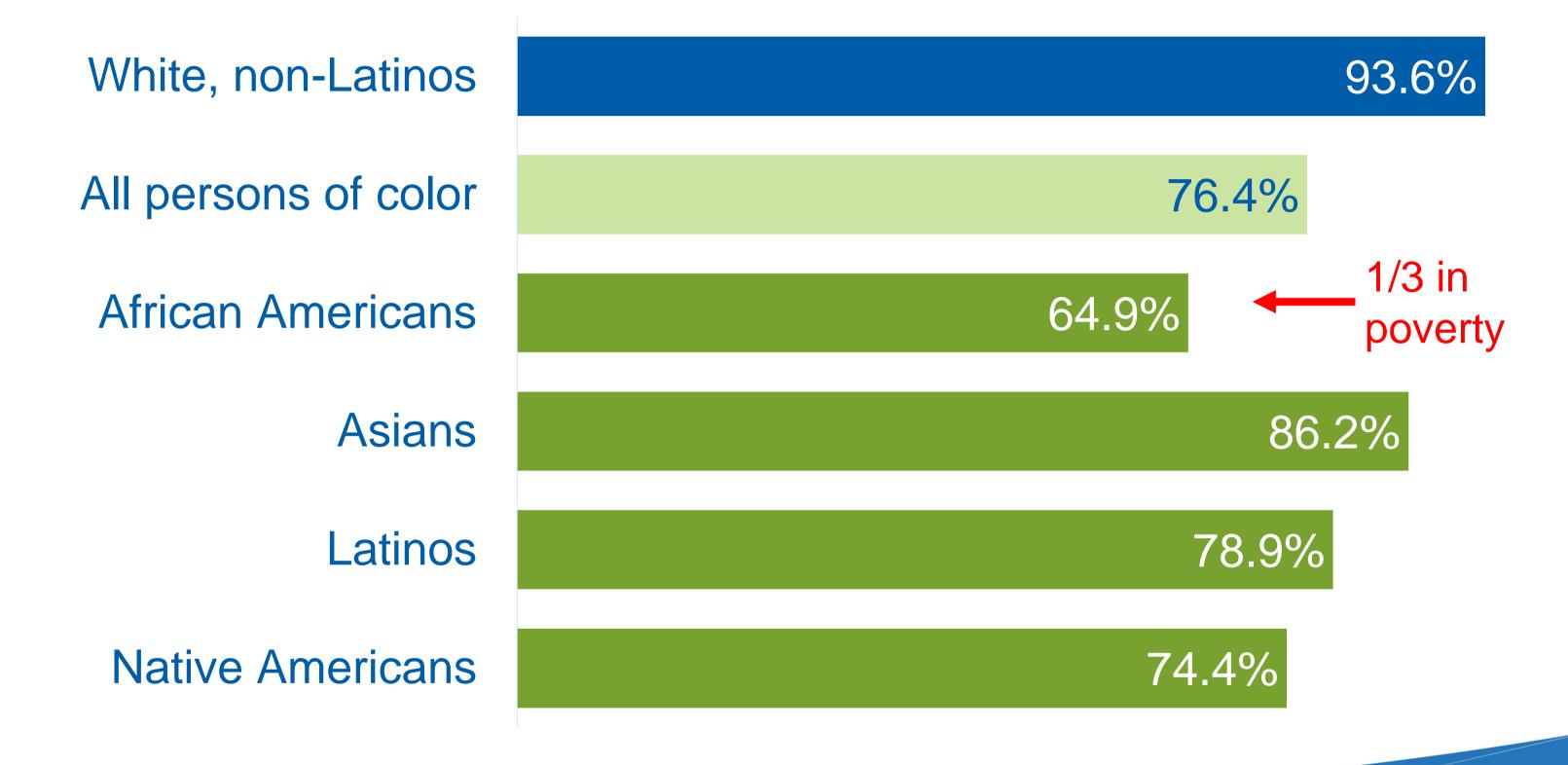


Percent employed



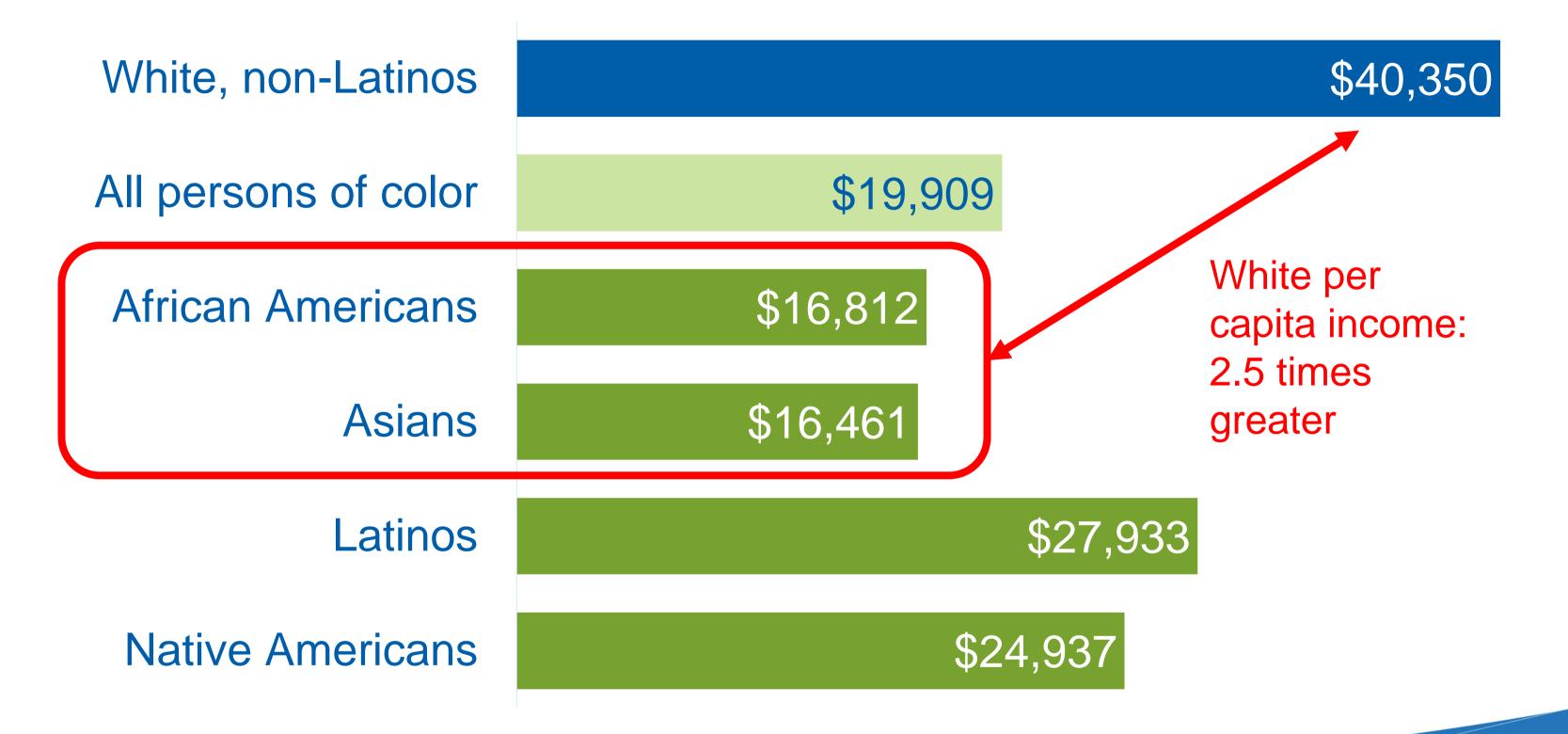


Percent not in poverty



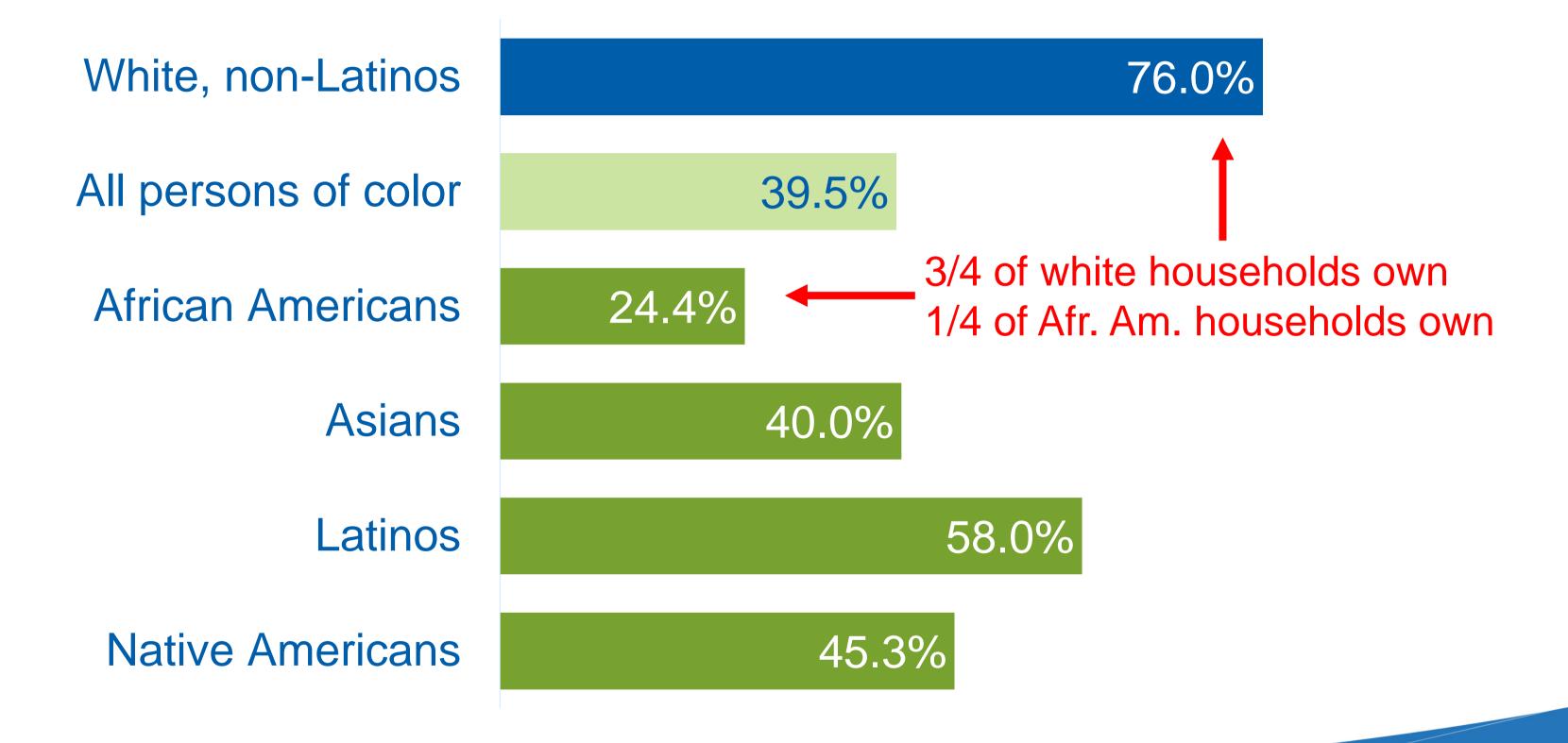


Per capita income





Homeownership rates





How big are our disparities?

	Disparity vs. whites: Rank among 25 largest metro areas (1 = highest)					
	All people of color	African Americans	Latinos	Asians	Native Americans	
% with high school diploma or equiv.	4 (tied)	1	5	1	9	
Employment rate	2	1	3	1	1	
% of people <u>not</u> in poverty	1	1	4	1	2	
Per capita income	8	2	5	4	22	
Homeownership rate	1	1	3	2	6	

Source: American Community Survey, 2014



How do our indicators compare?

	Indicators: Rank among 25 largest metro areas (1 = highest)					
	All people of color	African Americans	Latinos	Asians	Native Americans	
% with high school diploma or equiv.	14	24	11 (tied)	25	4	
Employment rate	4 (tied)	10	3	2 (tied)	16	
% of people <u>not</u> in poverty	19	23	9	22	13	
Per capita income	16	24	18	24	5	
Homeownership rate	22	25	18	16	16	

Source: American Community Survey, 2014



Next steps: Analysis

- Analysis of demographic diversity within each group and how it might influence disparities
 - Factors will vary across different groups
 - Not trying to "explain" disparities
- Update to Areas of Concentrated Poverty



Next steps: Collaboration

- Partnerships and support with other organizations examining these data and disparities:
 - Governor Dayton is establishing an Office of Career and Business Opportunity in DEED to address economic disparities, building on the work of Everybody In and MSPWin
 - Generation Next is focused on the achievement and opportunity gaps in educational outcomes
 - Minnesota Homeownership Center and Minnesota Housing are working with their partners to address the gap in homeownership
- Council will analyze how housing and transportation can mitigate gaps