



Growing Latino diversity: Implications for service delivery

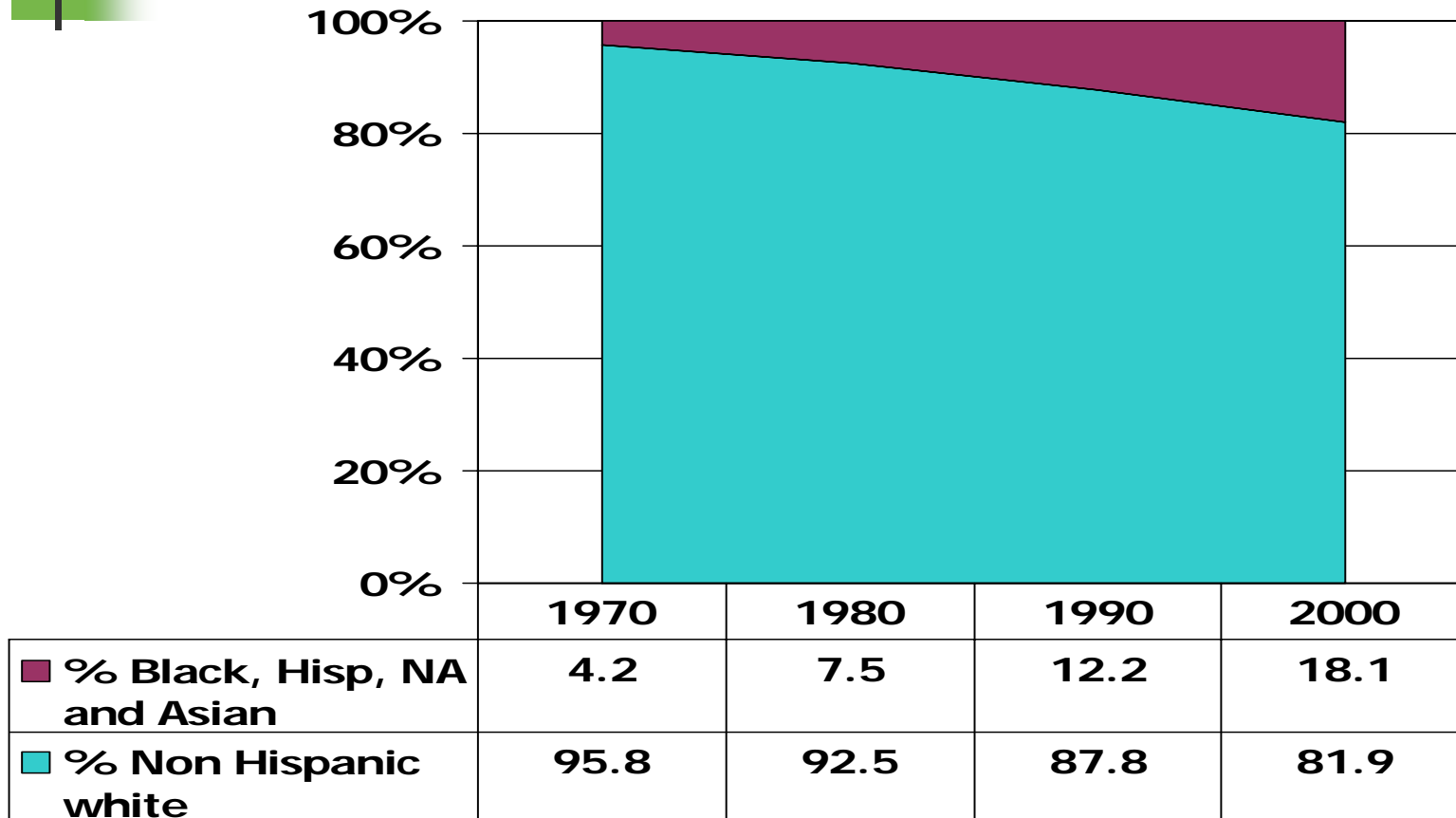
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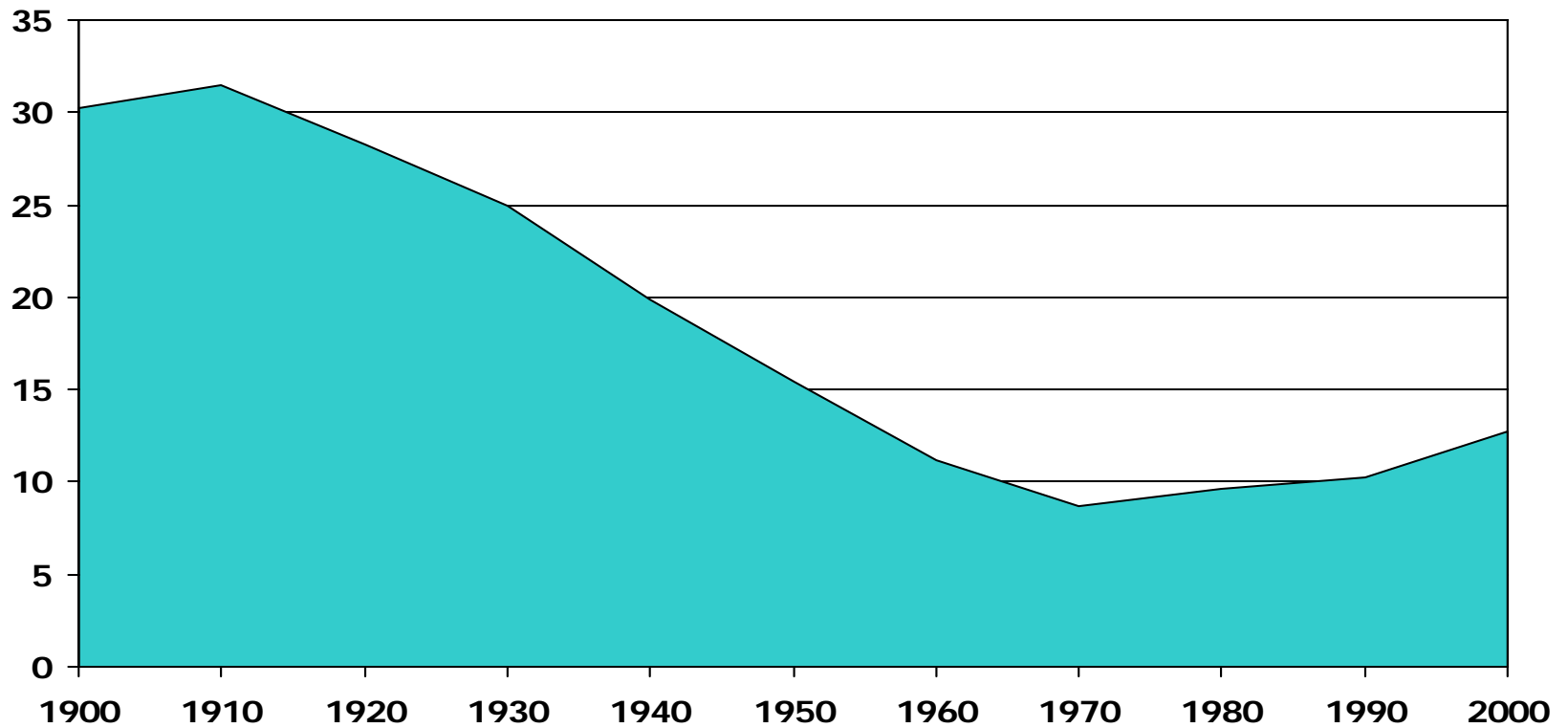
Demographic Trends in Mass

- Growing racial diversity
- Growing immigrant population
- Changing origins of immigrant population

Growing Racial Diversity (MA)



Growing Immigrant Population (MA)

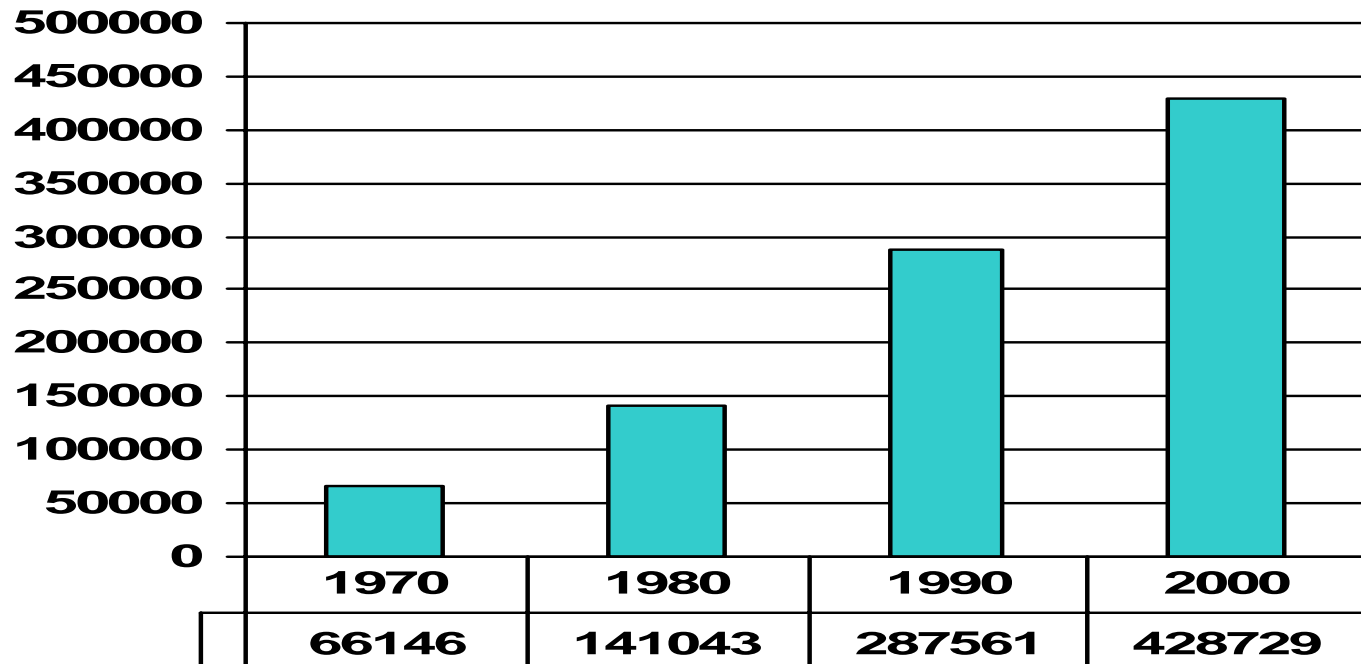




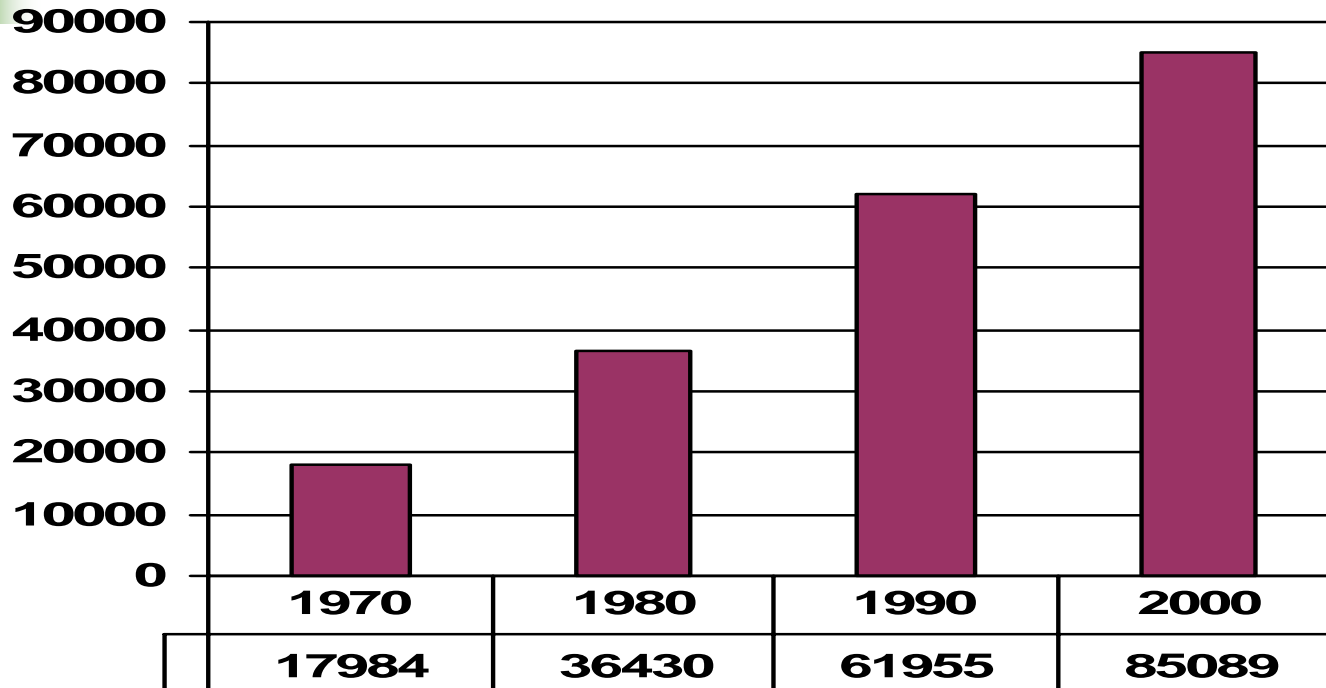
Change in origin of immigrant population (MA)

	1990	2000	% change
Europe	43.8	32.2	2.9
Asia	21.1	26.1	72.9
Africa	3.9	6.2	121.6
Oceania	0.3	0.3	58.0
Latin America	21.3	30.0	97.2
Northern America	9.6	5.3	-23.3

Latino population: Massachusetts



Latino Population: Boston



US Census 1970, 1980, 1990 and 2000. Uriarte



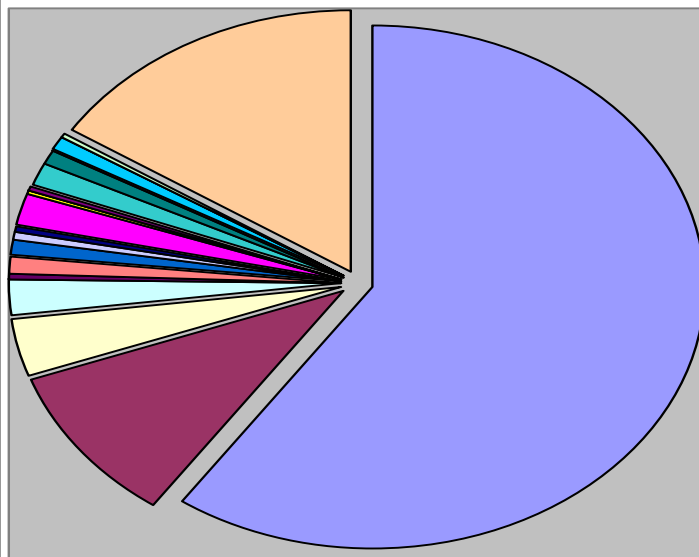
Growing Latino diversity

- National groups
 - Race
 - Culture
- Migration experiences
 - Immigrant status
- Outcomes
 - Economic
 - Social

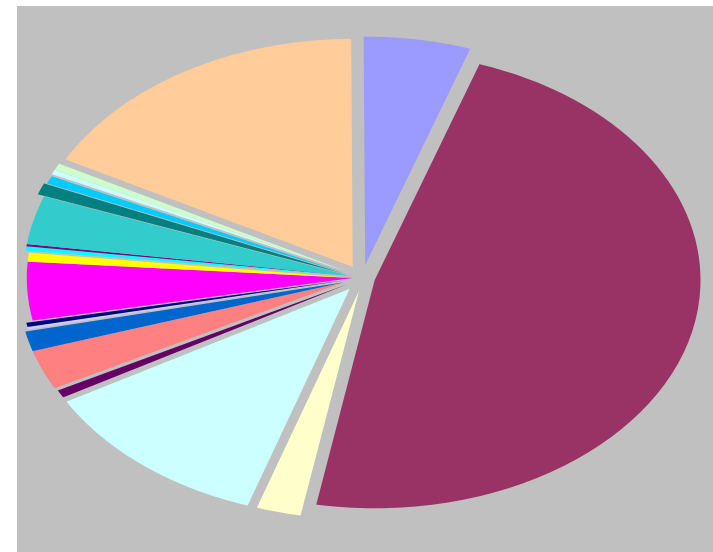
Diversity: Latino national groups

- Mexico
- Puerto Rico
- Cuba
- Rep Dominicana
- Costa Rica
- Guatemala
- Honduras
- Nicaragua
- Panama
- Salvador
- Argentina
- Bolivia
- Chile
- Colombia
- Ecuador
- Paraguay
- Peru
- Uruguay
- Venezuela
- All other Latinos

US



MA



Changing origins of the Latino population



Percent of the Latino population that is Puerto Rican

1980	1990	2000
54.2	52.9	46.5

Diversity:

Largest national groups, (MA)

	% of Latino Population 2000	% change 1990 to 2000
Puerto Ricans	46.46%	36.43%
Dominicans	11.64%	65.40%
Mexicans	5.20%	72.48%
Salvadorans	3.30%	59.71%
Guatemalans	2.07%	16.35%
Colombians	4.02%	137.40%

Diversity:

Largest national groups, Boston

	% of Latino Population 2000	% change 1990 to 2000
Puerto Ricans	32.25%	8.97%
Dominicans	15.26%	63.53%
Mexicans	4.85%	56.29%
Salvadorans	6.27%	67.81%
Guatemalans	3.00%	2.12%
Colombians	4.78%	71.23%



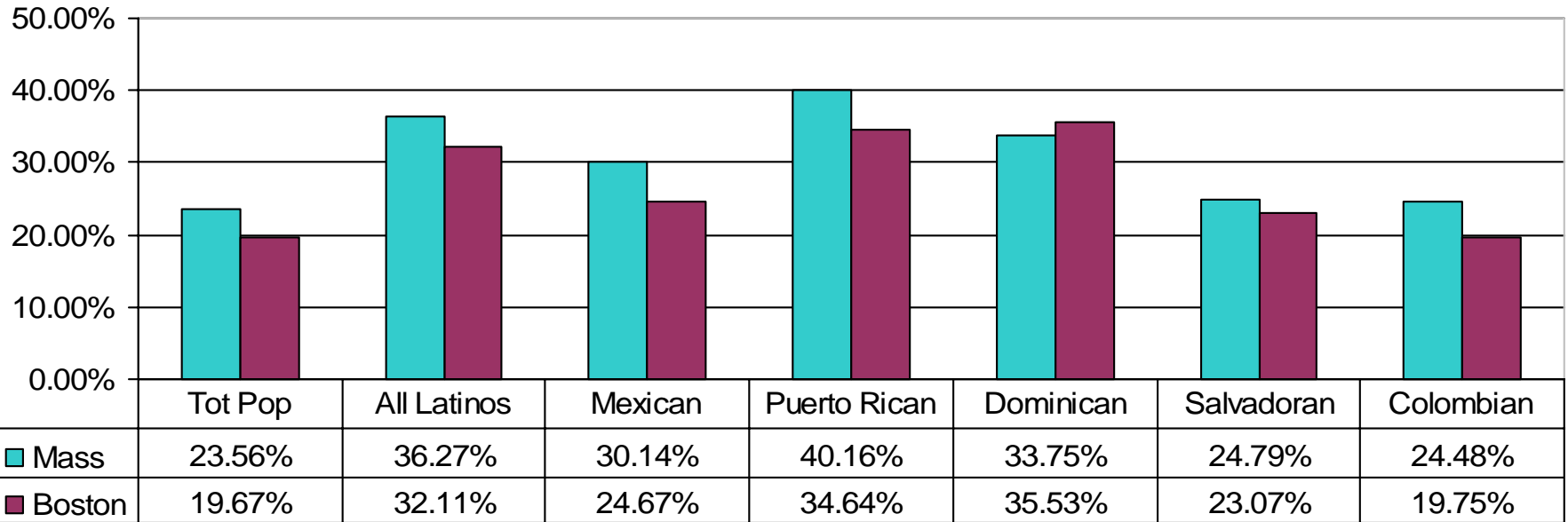
3 critical facts about Latinos

- Latinos are a young population
- A large share of the Latino population are immigrants, many recent immigrants
- Many Latinos work and are poor

Latinos are young: Median Age

	Massachusetts	Boston
Total Population	36.6	31.2
All Hispanic or Latino	24.7	26.1
Puerto Rican	22.9	25.4
Mexican	25.8	25.4
Dominican	26.1	25.6
Salvadoran	27.1	27.4
Colombian	29.6	29.4

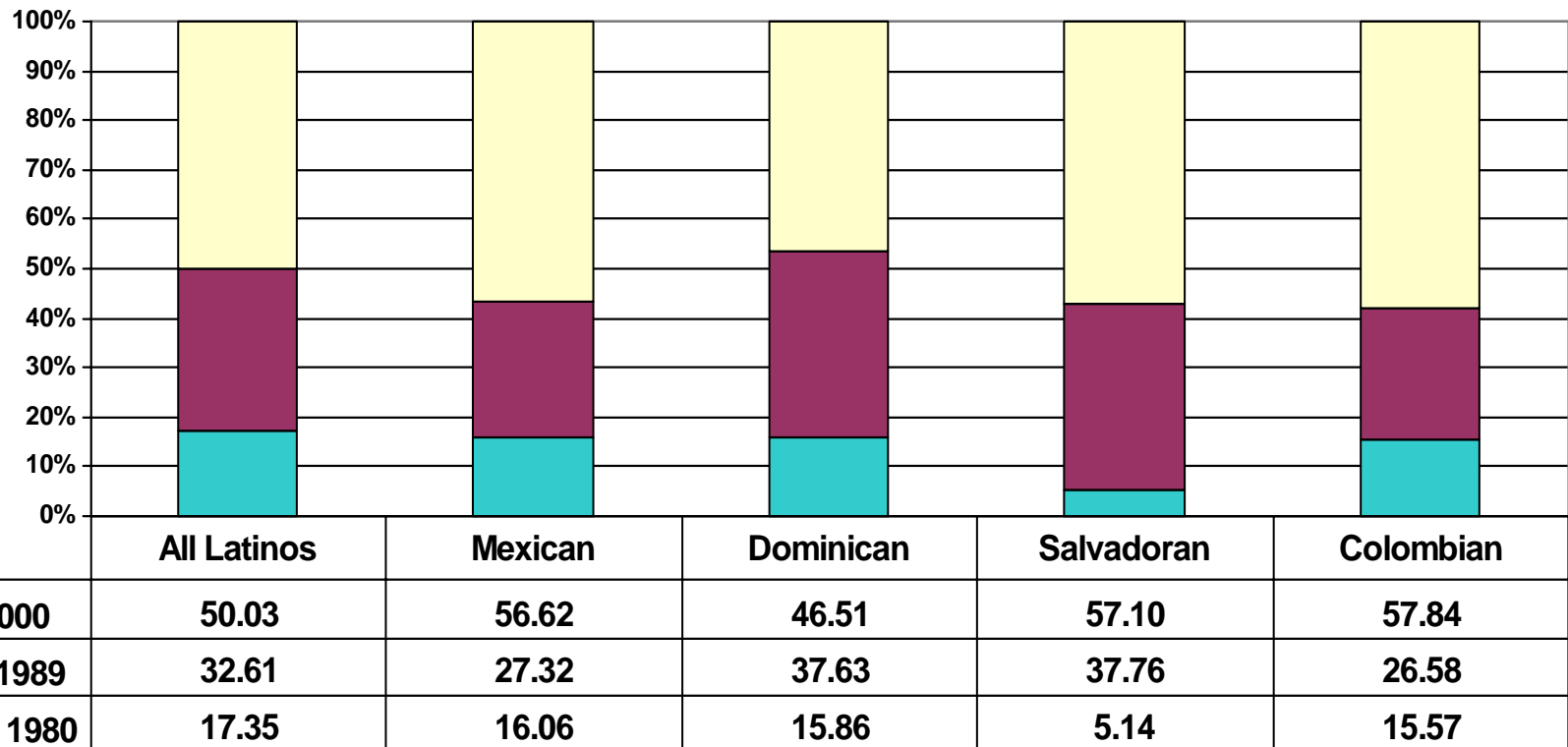
Latinos are young: % under 18 years



Many Latinos are immigrants: Immigrants in the population

	Massachusetts (%)	Boston (%)
Total Population	12.17	25.77
All Hispanic or Latino	31.16	42.91
Mexican	34.93	40.44
Dominican	67.57	66.57
Salvadoran	78.88	80.07
Colombian	78.12	81.0

Immigrants: Year of entry into the U.S. (MA)





Why do they come to Boston?

- To better economic situation
- To escape situations of violence, war and natural disasters
- As political refugees
- To re-unify with families
- As professionals to work in industries in the area



Many immigration/citizenship statuses

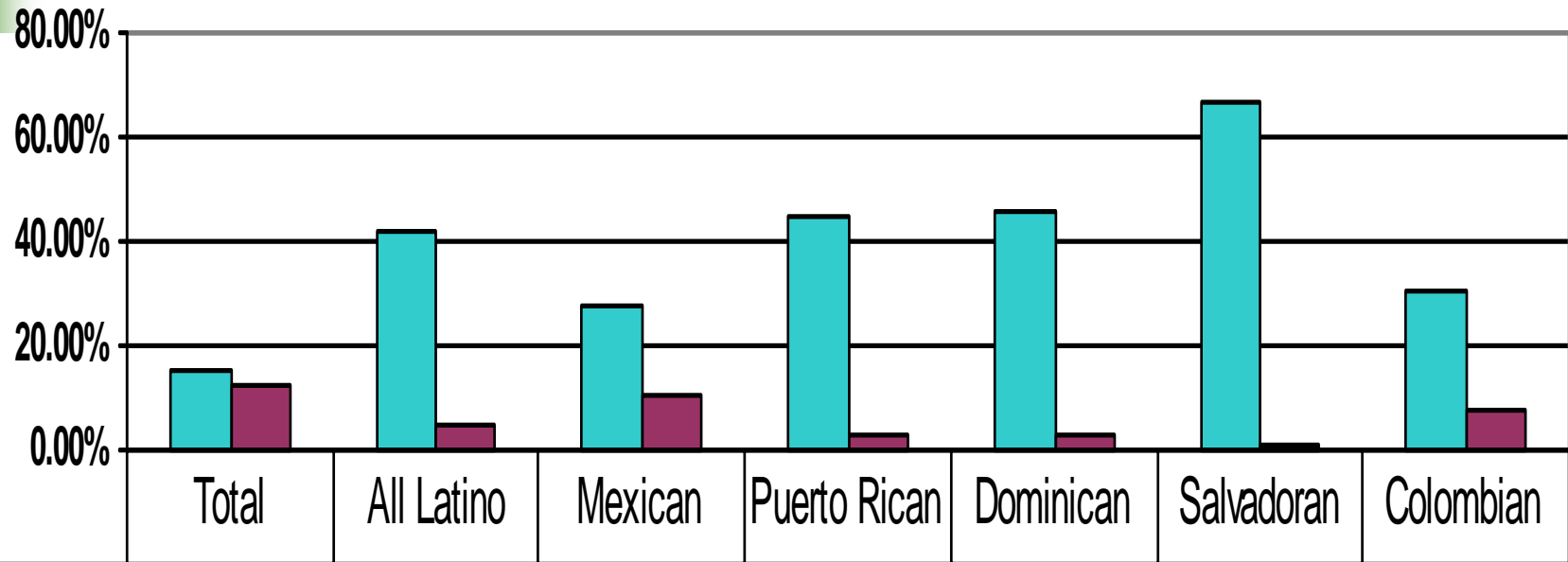
- Native born
- Naturalized Citizens
- Legal permanent residents
- Asylum seekers
- Temporary Protection
- Unauthorized (undocumented) immigrants



Limited English proficiency: Does not speak well or at all (MA)

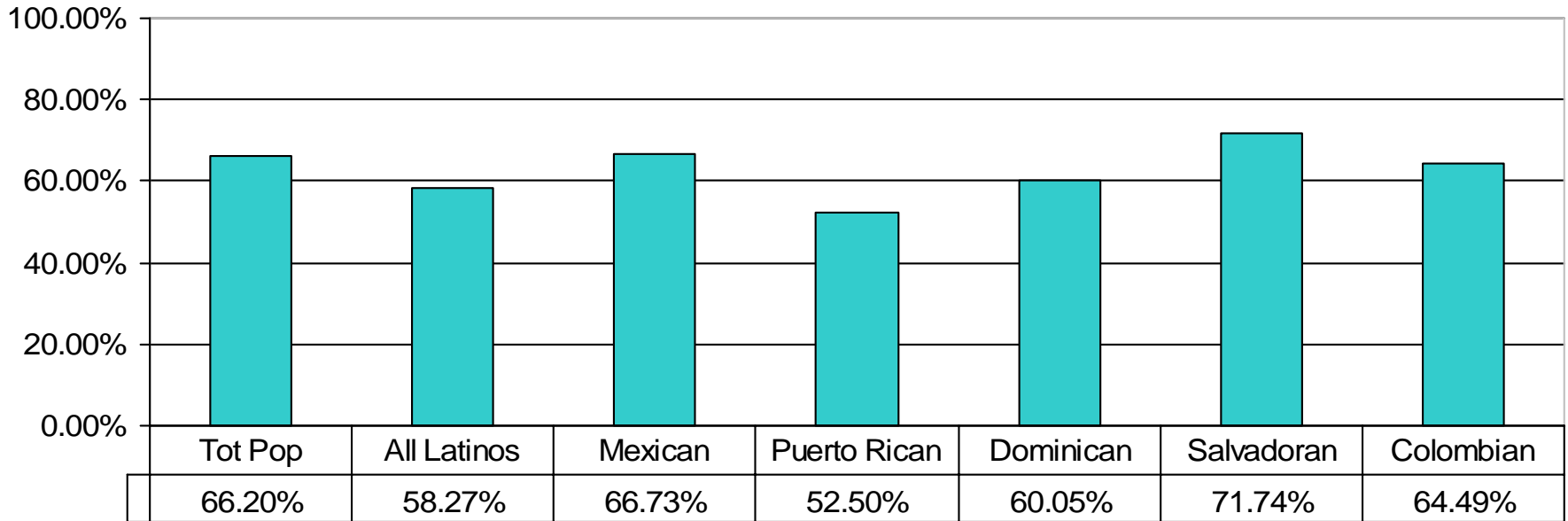
	5-17 years old	18-64 years old
All Hispanic or Latino	7.97%	23.24%
Mexican	4.17%	16.90%
Puerto Rican	7.84%	17.90%
Dominican	7.96%	36.66%
Salvadoran	19.71%	45.61%
Colombian	12.10%	33.69%

Educational Attainment: (MA)



■ No highschool	15.54%	41.72%	27.21%	44.96%	46.06%	66.46%	30.60%
■ Grad/prof degree	12.15%	4.87%	10.36%	2.53%	3.24%	0.68%	7.60%

Latinos work but are poor: Labor force participation (MA)





Where do Latinos work? (MA)

- Education, health and social services (22%)
- Manufacturing (18%)
- Entertainment, Recreation, Accommodations (11%)

What do Latinos do? (MA)



- Services (24.6%)
 - Building and grounds maintenance
 - Food preparation
- Industrial production (23.2%)
- Management and professional (23.2%)



Earnings are low (MA)

- Median earnings are 63% that of the general population
- Median family income is only 45% of the general population's

Poverty among families is high (MA)

	% families in poverty	% poor families w/ 1 or more FT workers
Total Population	6.65%	10.48%
All Latino	28.49%	8.80%
Mexican	11.82%	10.58%
Puerto Rican	36.19%	6.36%
Dominican	29.73%	13.24%
Salvadoran	15.81%	19.58%
Colombian	17.57%	13.21%



Poverty (continued)

Greater rates of poverty

- Among U.S. born Latinos
- Among most recently arrived immigrants



Implications

- Increased vulnerability
- Barriers to service delivery



Increased vulnerability

- Trauma of immigration
- Youth
- Poverty
- Status



Barriers to services

- Individual
 - Financial
 - Education and English proficiency
 - Status
- Institutional Barriers
 - Financial
 - Language Accessibility
 - Cultural competence