

Health in the New Brunswick Community: Focus on Mexican Migrants

La Salud en la Comunidad de New Brunswick: Enfoque sobre Migrantes de Mexico

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Information about/Información sobre Healthier New Brunswick Community Survey

- Representative sample of local families
- Muestra representativa de familias locales
- Phone interviews conducted July-December, 2004
- Entrevistas por teléfono administradas de julio a diciembre, 2004
- One interview per family/ una entrevista por familia
 - 595 families/ familias,
 - including/ incluyendo 1,572 individuals/individuos
- Comparison to NJ overall & urban areas from 2001 NJ Family Health Survey
- Comparación con el Estado de NJ en general y con áreas urbanas basada en el Estudio de Familias en NJ de 2001

Family and Community Data/ Datos de Familia y Comunidad

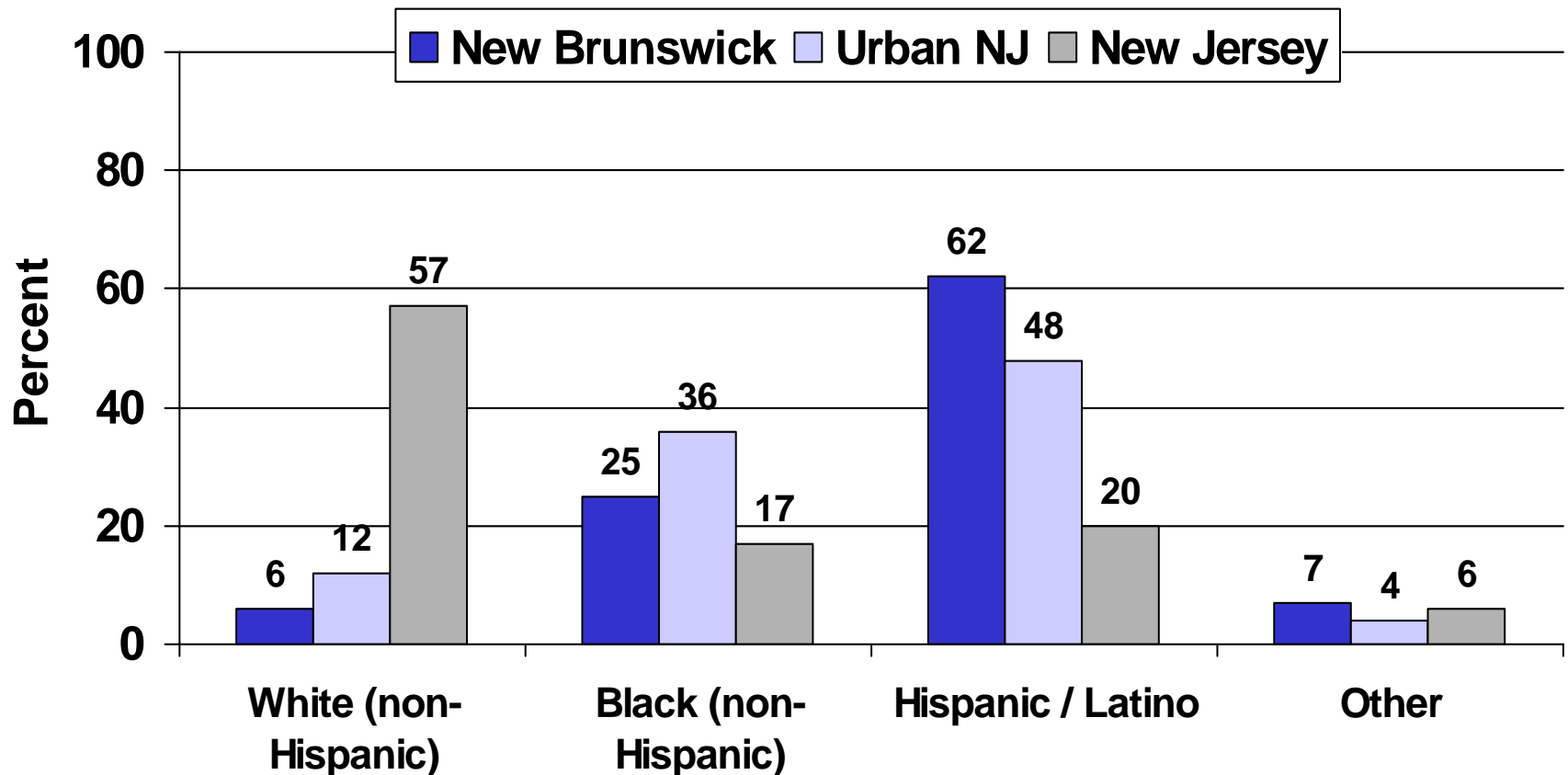
(n=595)

- Rich ethnic and racial diversity/ Una mezcla rica de diversos grupos
 - 31% Mexican
 - 25% African American
 - 10% Dominican
 - 7% Puerto Rican
 - 15% Other Hispanic/Latino
 - 7% European American
- 55% live with at least one immigrant/ vive con un inmigrante
- 56% in families that do not speak English at home/
vive con familias donde no hablan inglés en la casa
- Many low-income families/ Muchas familias de ingreso bajo
 - Over 60% of families below 200% of the federal poverty line
 - Mas de 60% de familias que ganan menos de 200% del ingreso que define pobreza usando reglas federales

“200% of poverty” = “working poor”

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and 25% are African American/

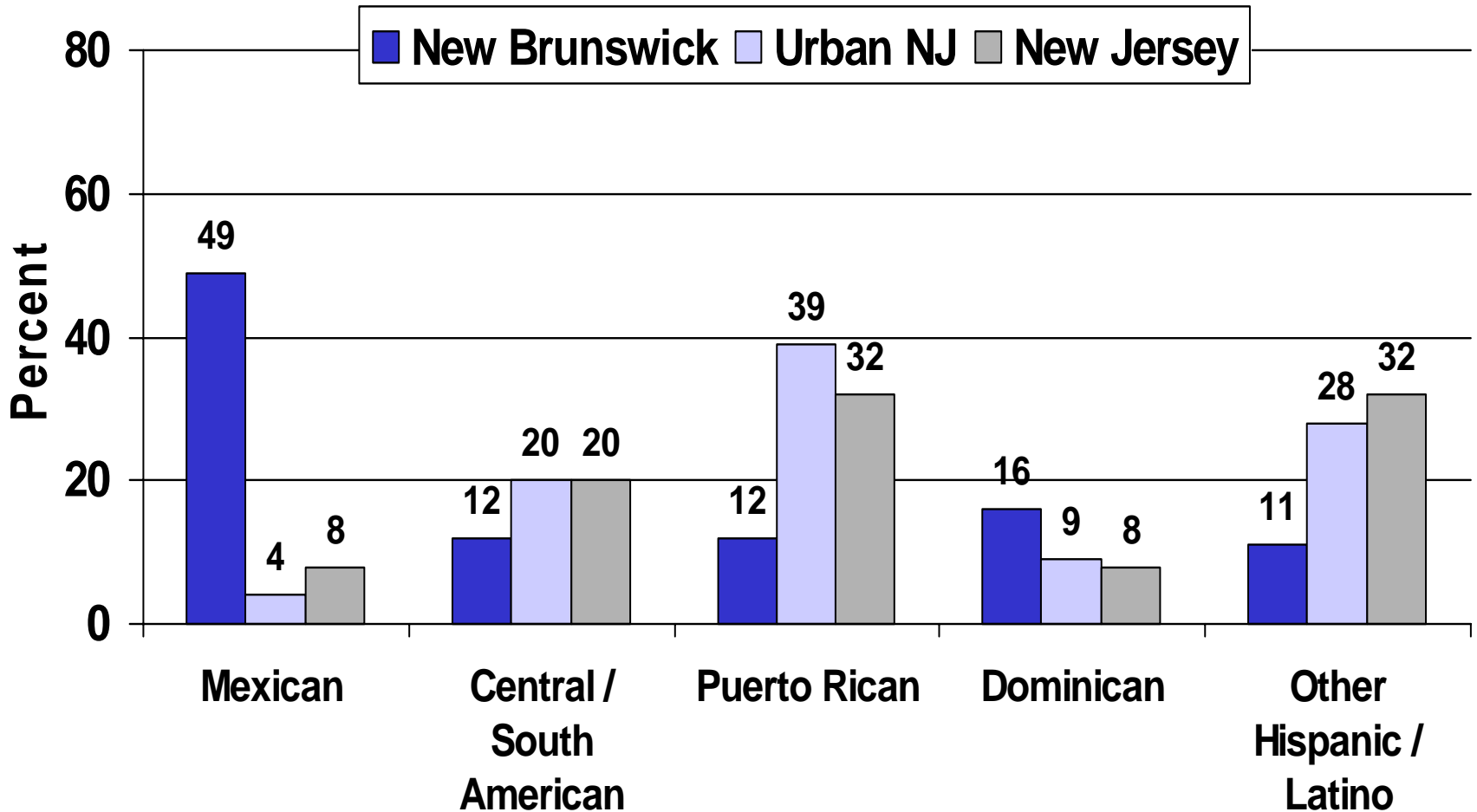
Sesenta y dos por ciento de los niños en New Brunswick son
Latinos; 25% son Africano Americanos



Sources: Healthier New Brunswick Community Survey, 2004; New Jersey Family Health Survey, 2001

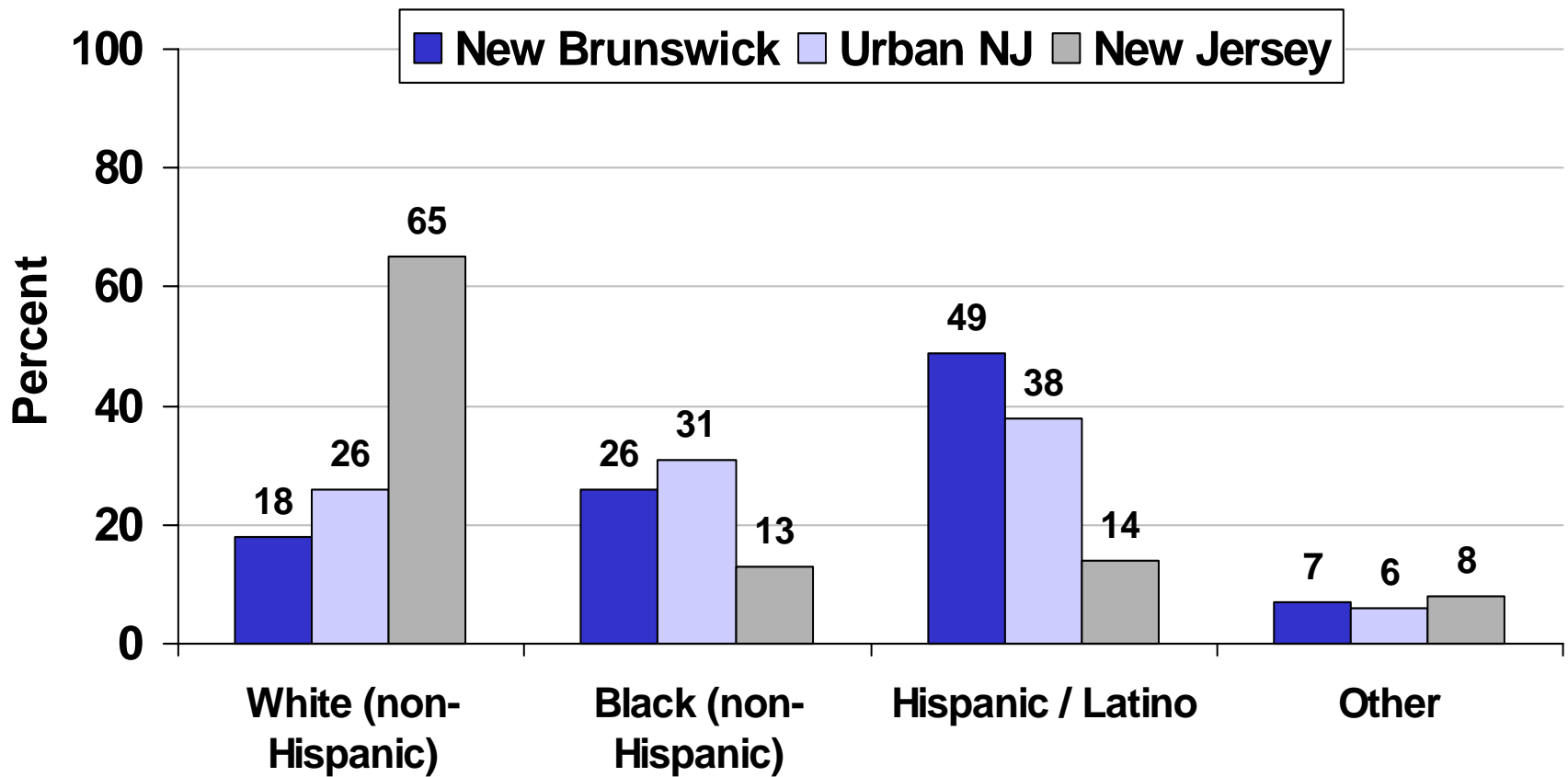
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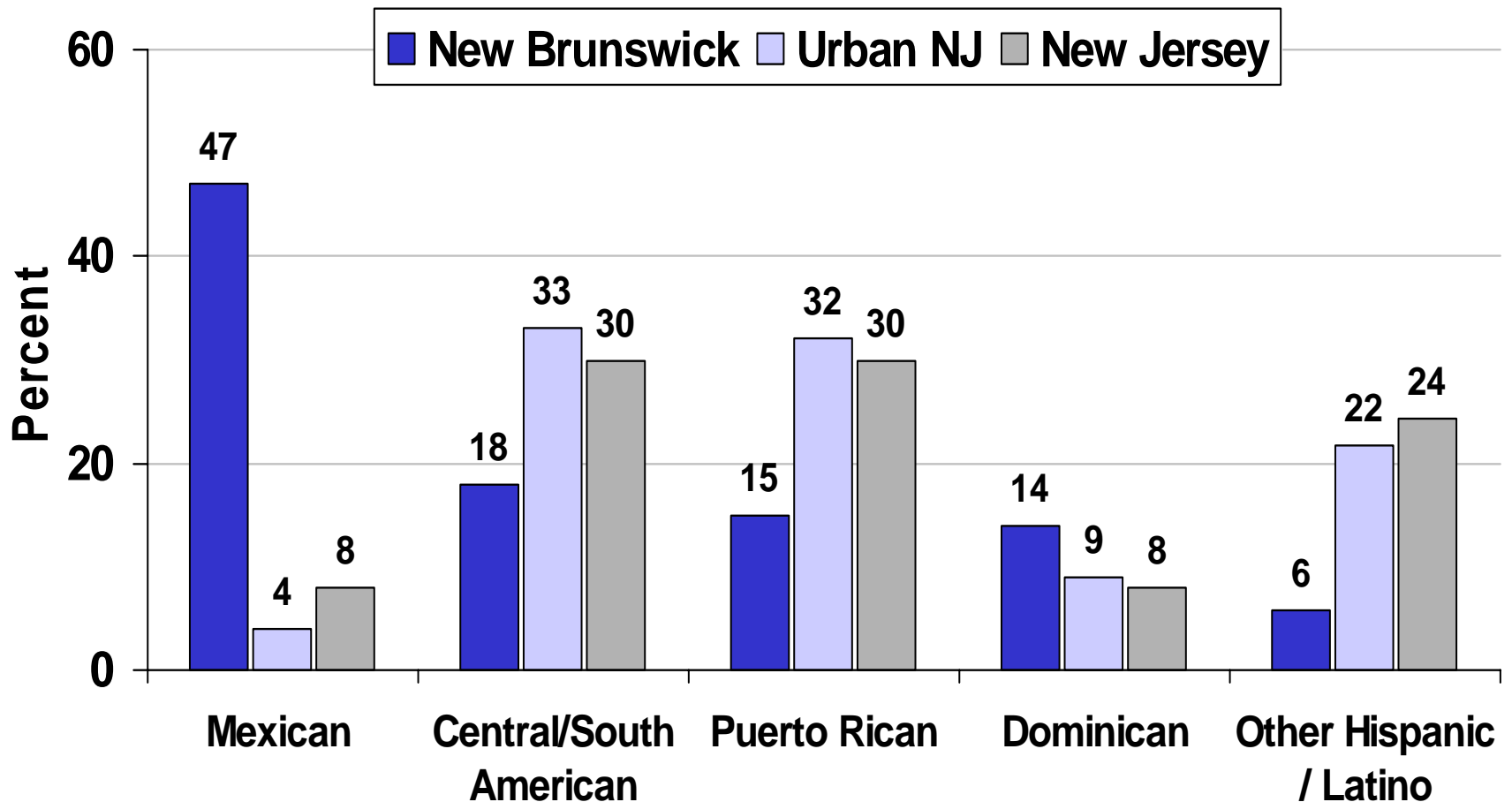
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Half of New Brunswick adults are Latino
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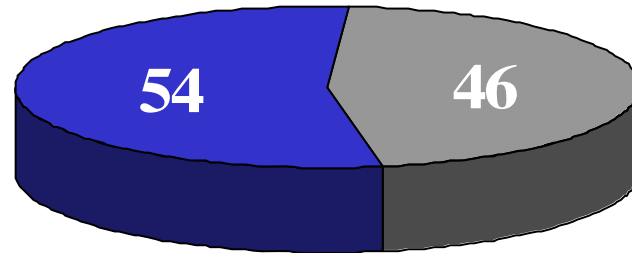
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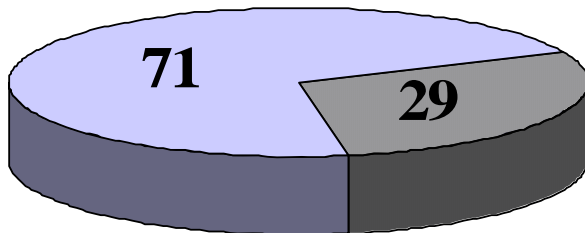
46% of households in New Brunswick use a language other than English at home
46% de la familias en N.B. no hablan inglés en la casa

New Brunswick



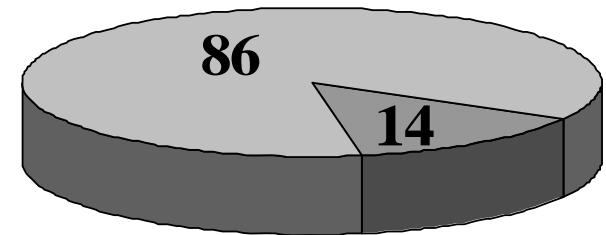
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Urban New Jersey



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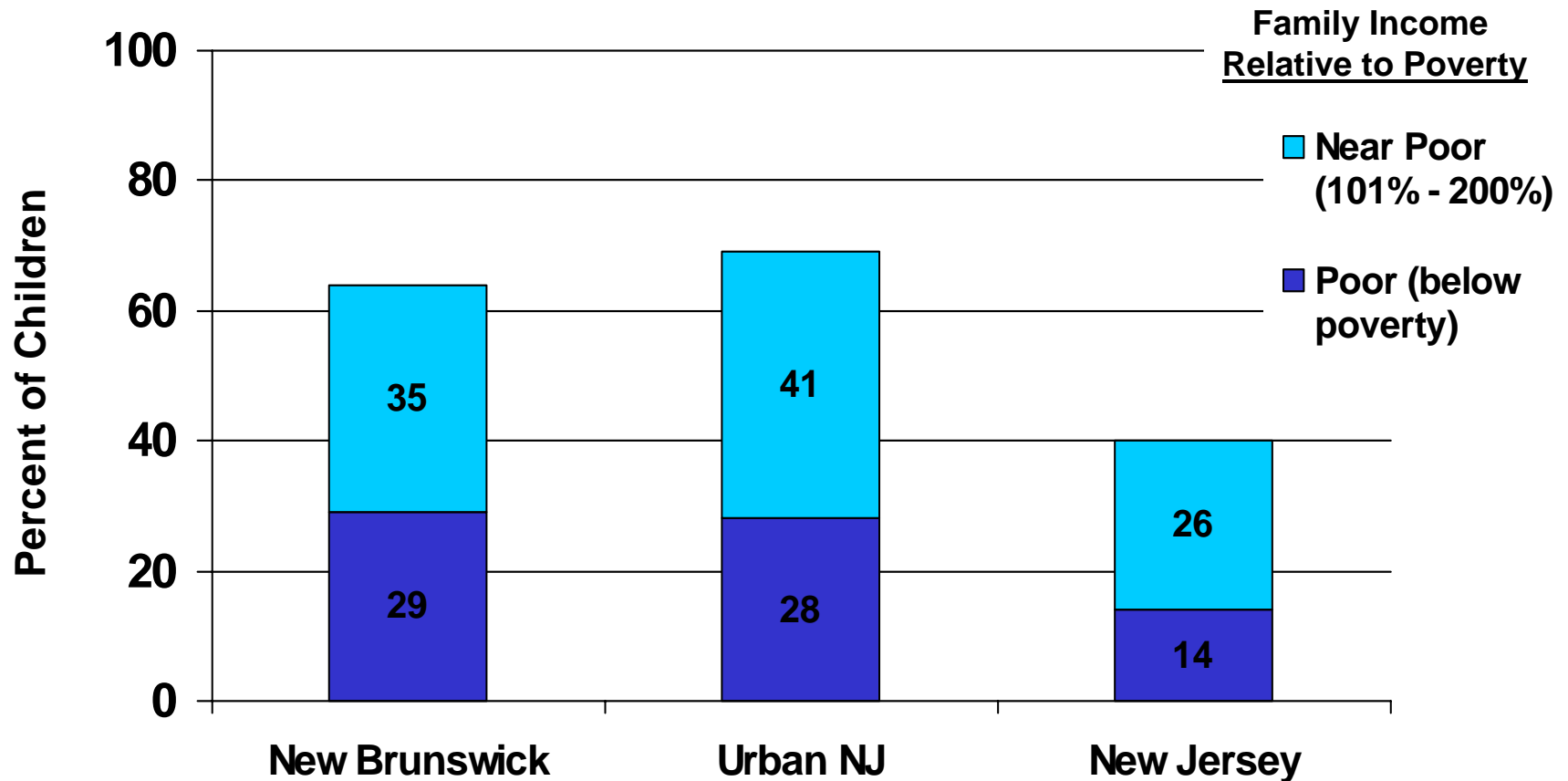
Total New Jersey



■ English ■ Other

Many children living in poverty in New Brunswick and Urban NJ

Hay muchos niños viviendo en la pobreza en New Brunswick y en otras zonas urbanas en NJ



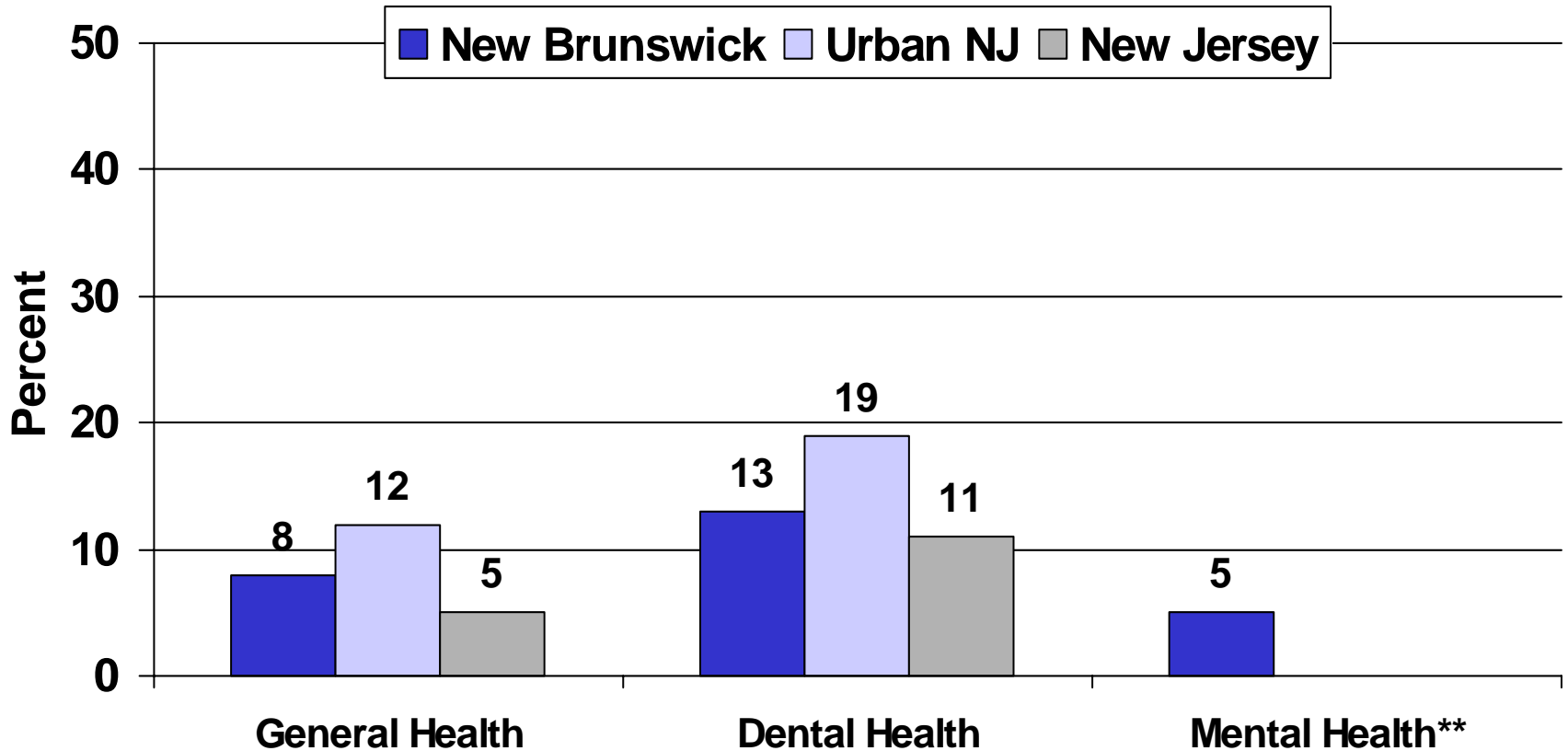
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Health Status/ Estado de Salud

- Perceived general, dental, and mental health
- Percepción sobre la salud general, dental y mental
 - “Would you say [*family member*’s] health is excellent, very good, good, fair, or poor?”
 - Mexican children and adults report worse health in all 3 areas than the overall sample
 - Niños y adultos mexicanos reportan salud peor en las 3 areas que la muestra en general
 - Those who are poor and uninsured also report worse health
 - Aquellos que son pobres y no tienen seguro médico tambien reportan peor salud

Percent of *children* with “Fair or Poor”* health lower in New Brunswick than Urban NJ

Porcentaje de *niños* con salud “No Muy Buena” es menor en New Brunswick que en otras zonas urbanas en NJ

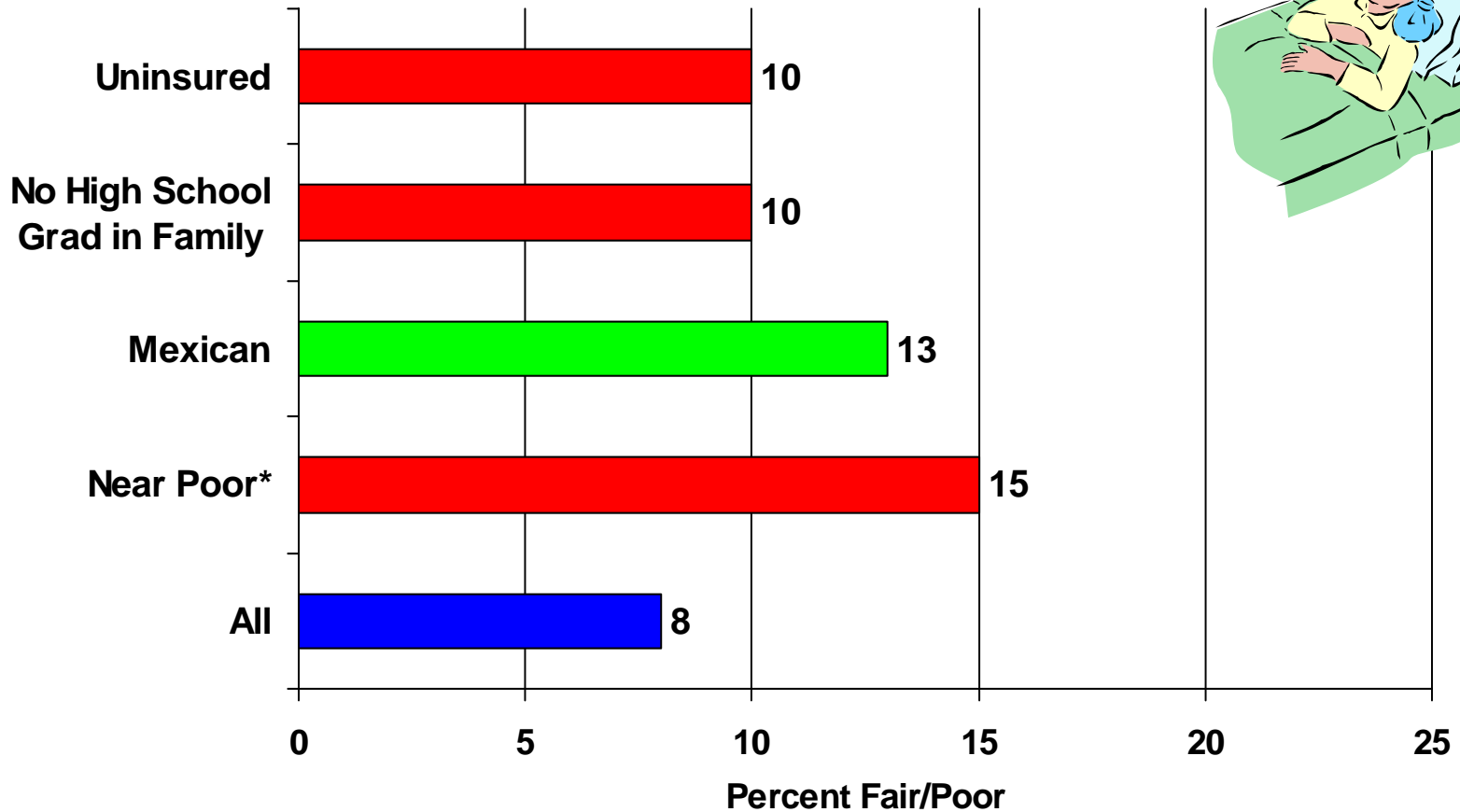


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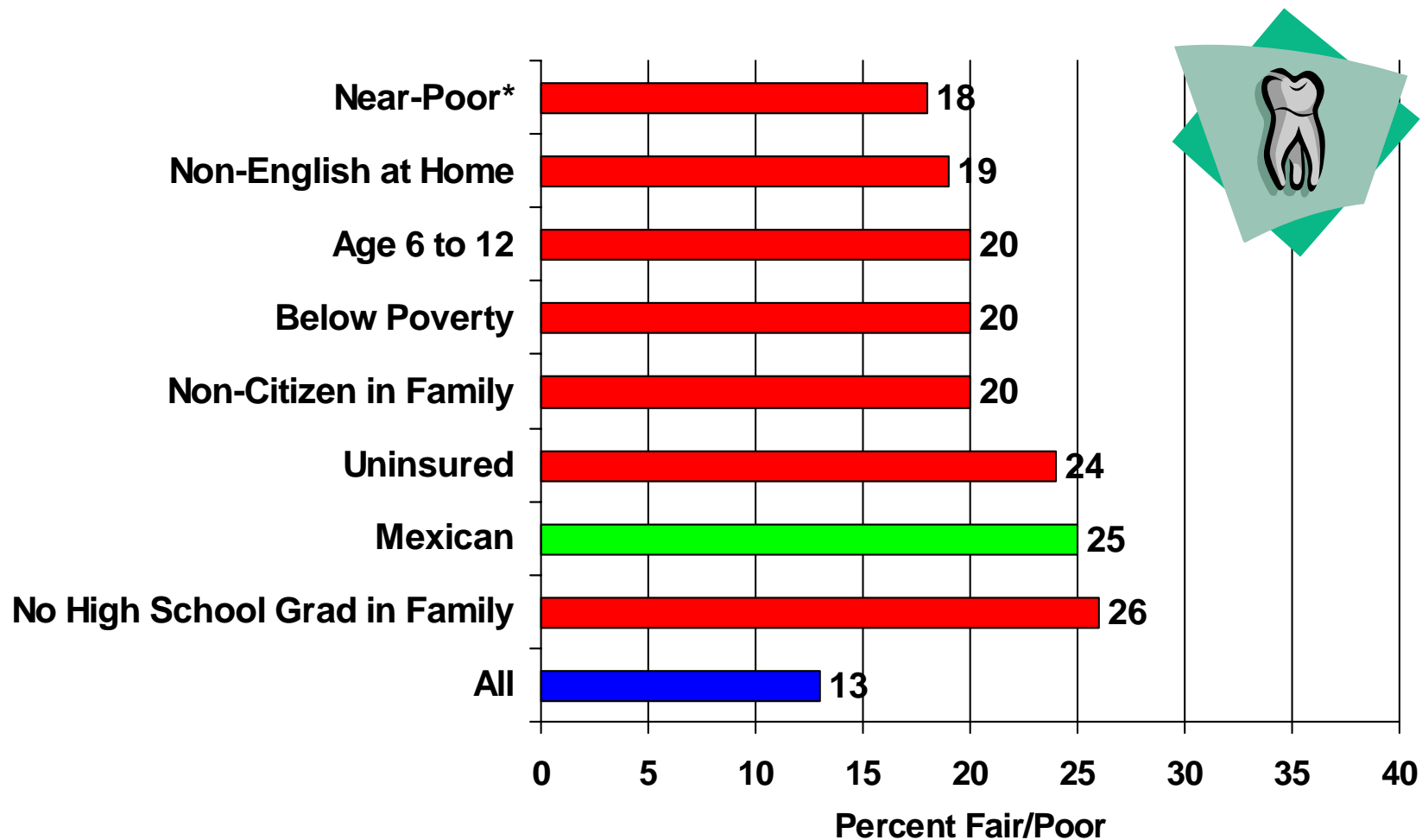
Children in fair or poor General Health Niños con Salud General no muy buena



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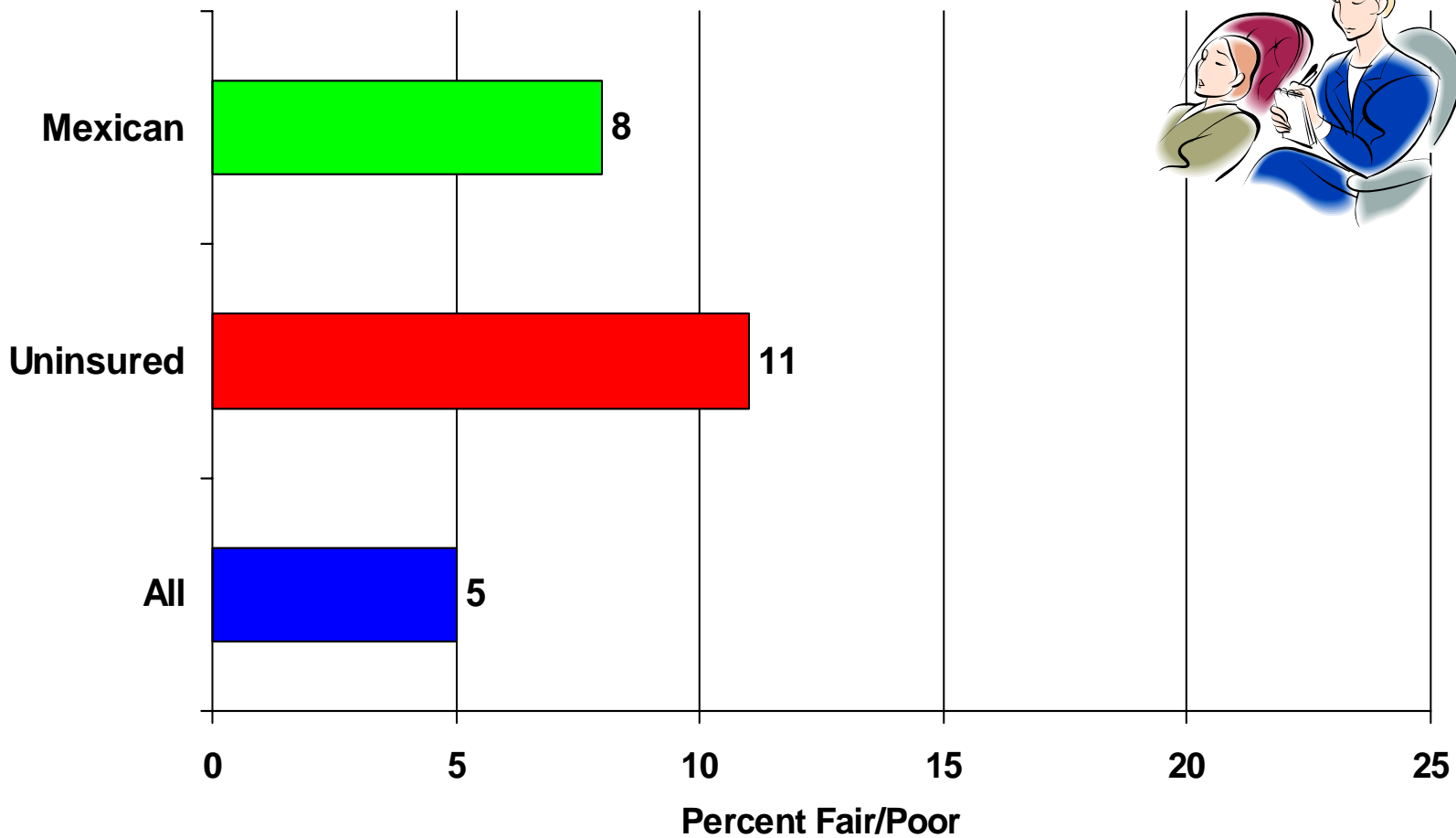
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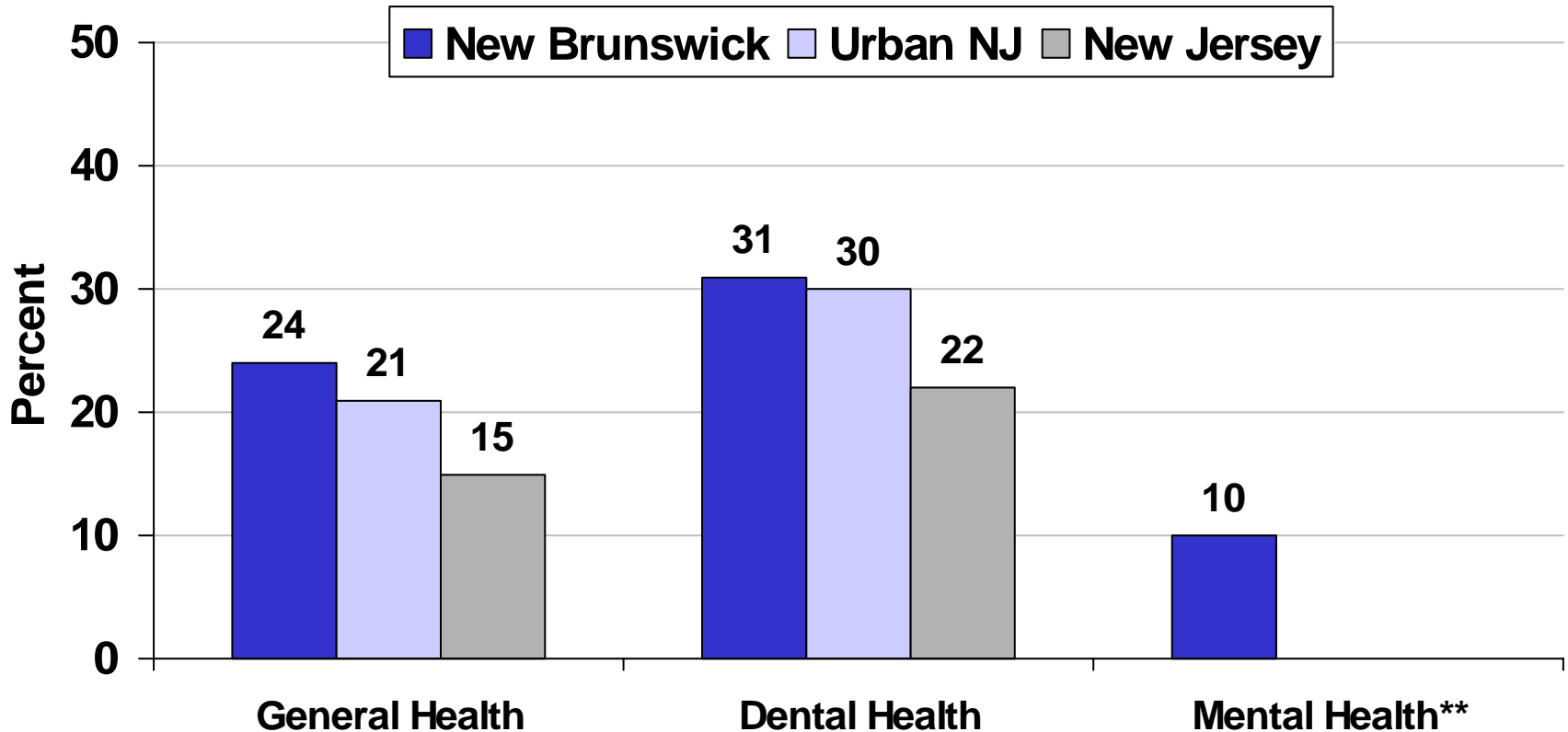
Children in fair or poor Mental Health Niños con Salud Mental no muy buena



Source: Healthier New Brunswick Community Survey, 2004

Percent of *adults* with “Fair or Poor”* health higher in
New Brunswick than in Urban NJ

Porcentaje de *adultos* con salud “No Muy Buena” es más alta en
New Brunswick que en otras zonas urbanas en NJ



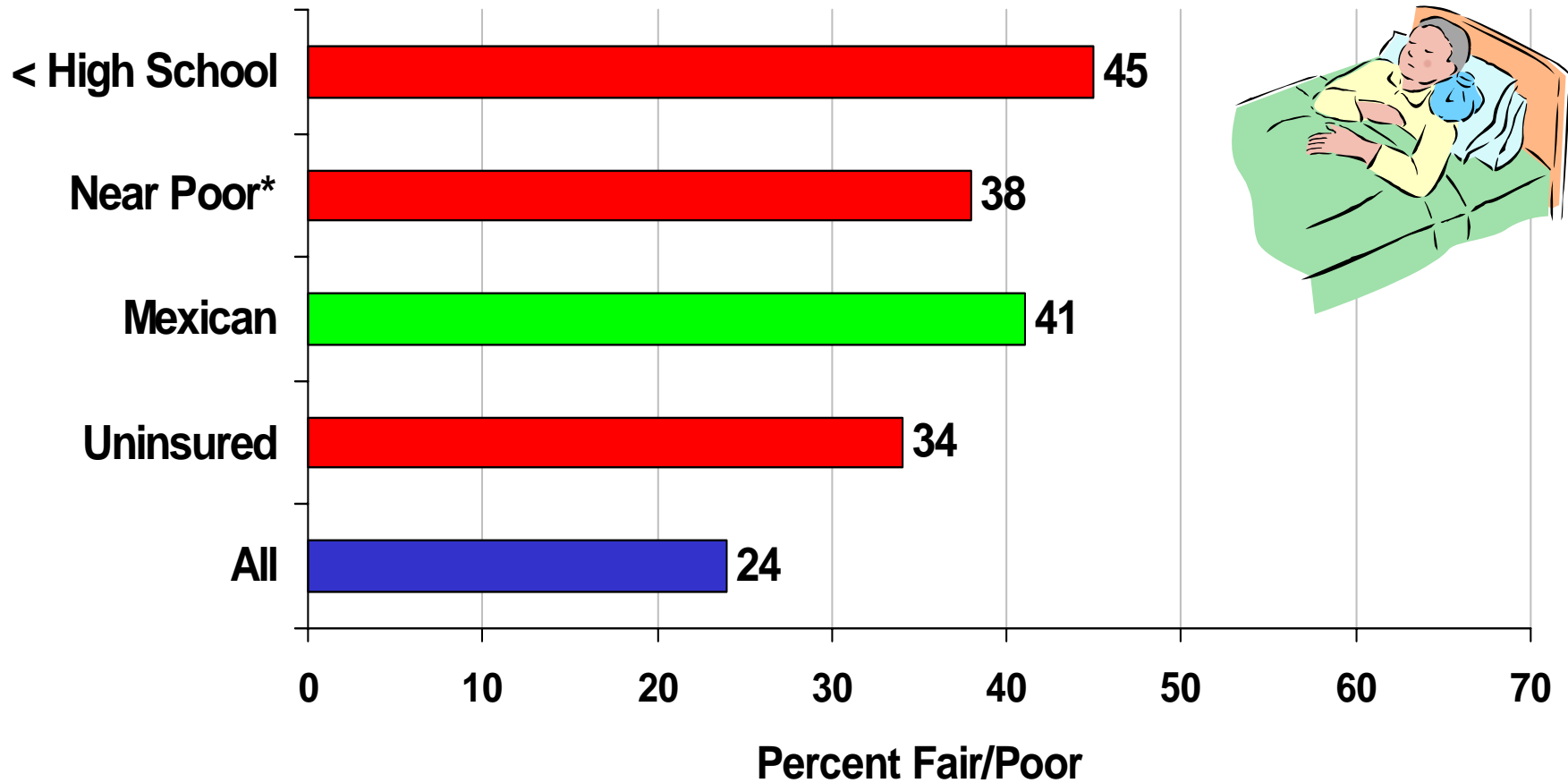
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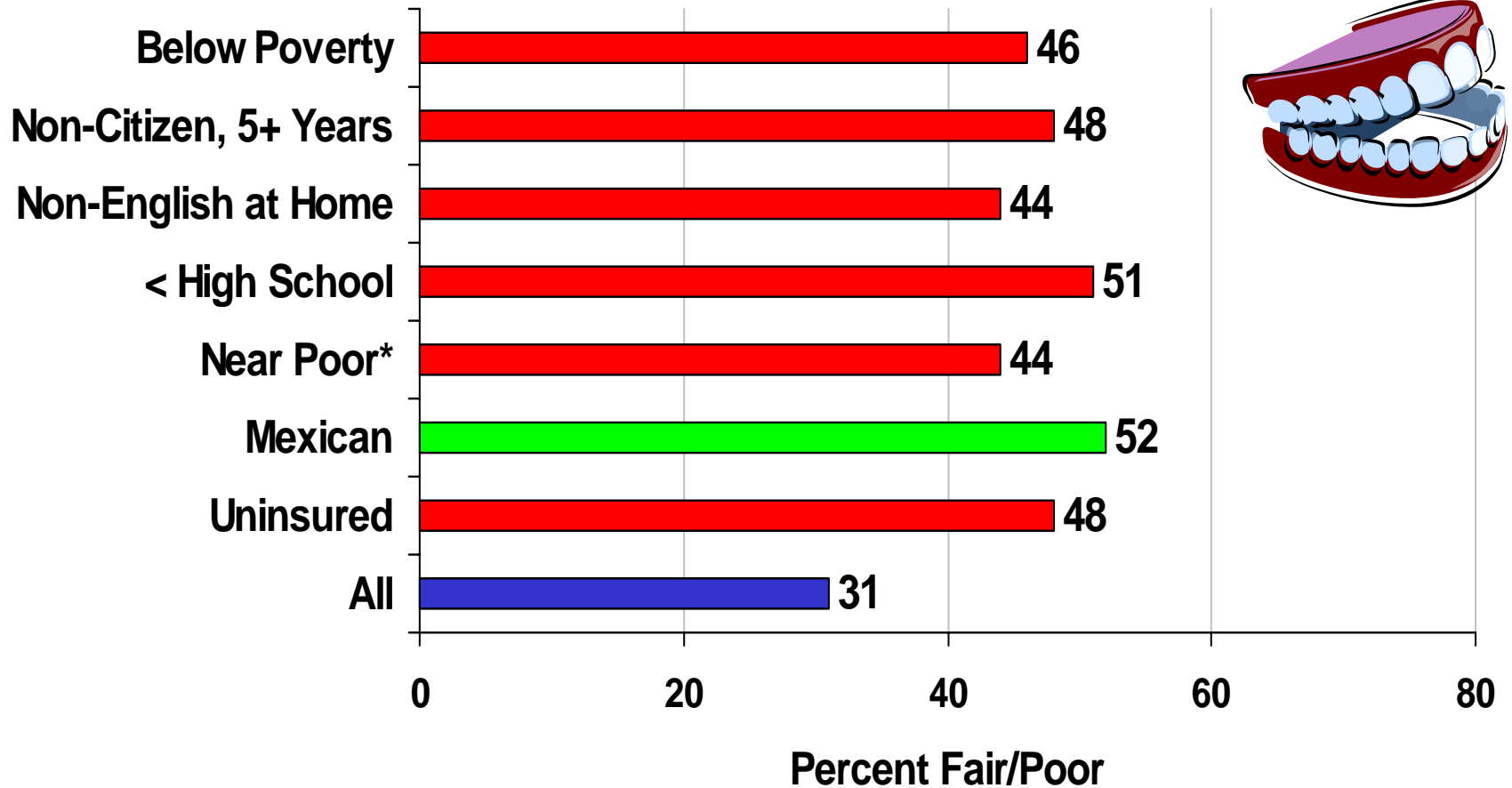
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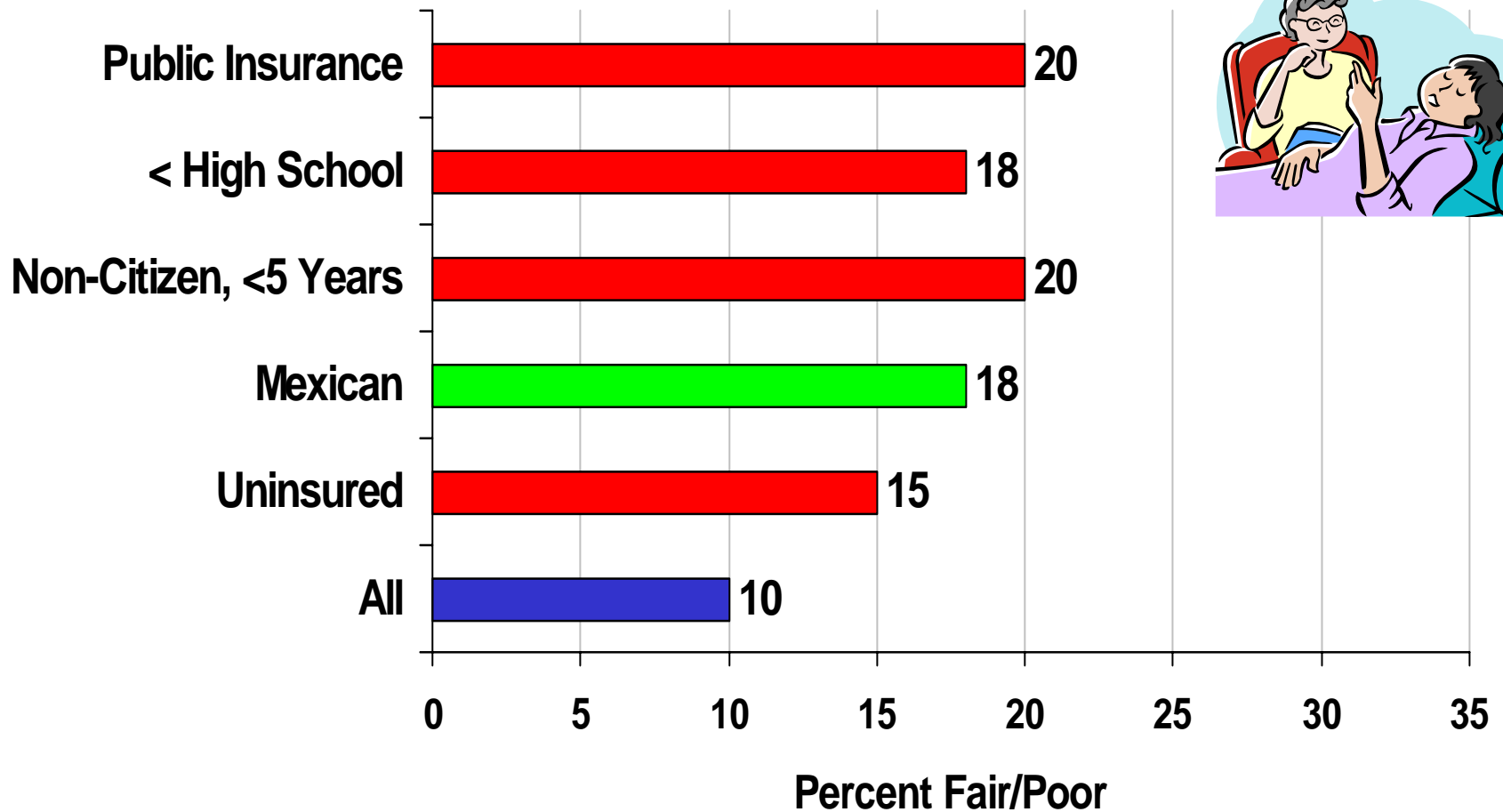
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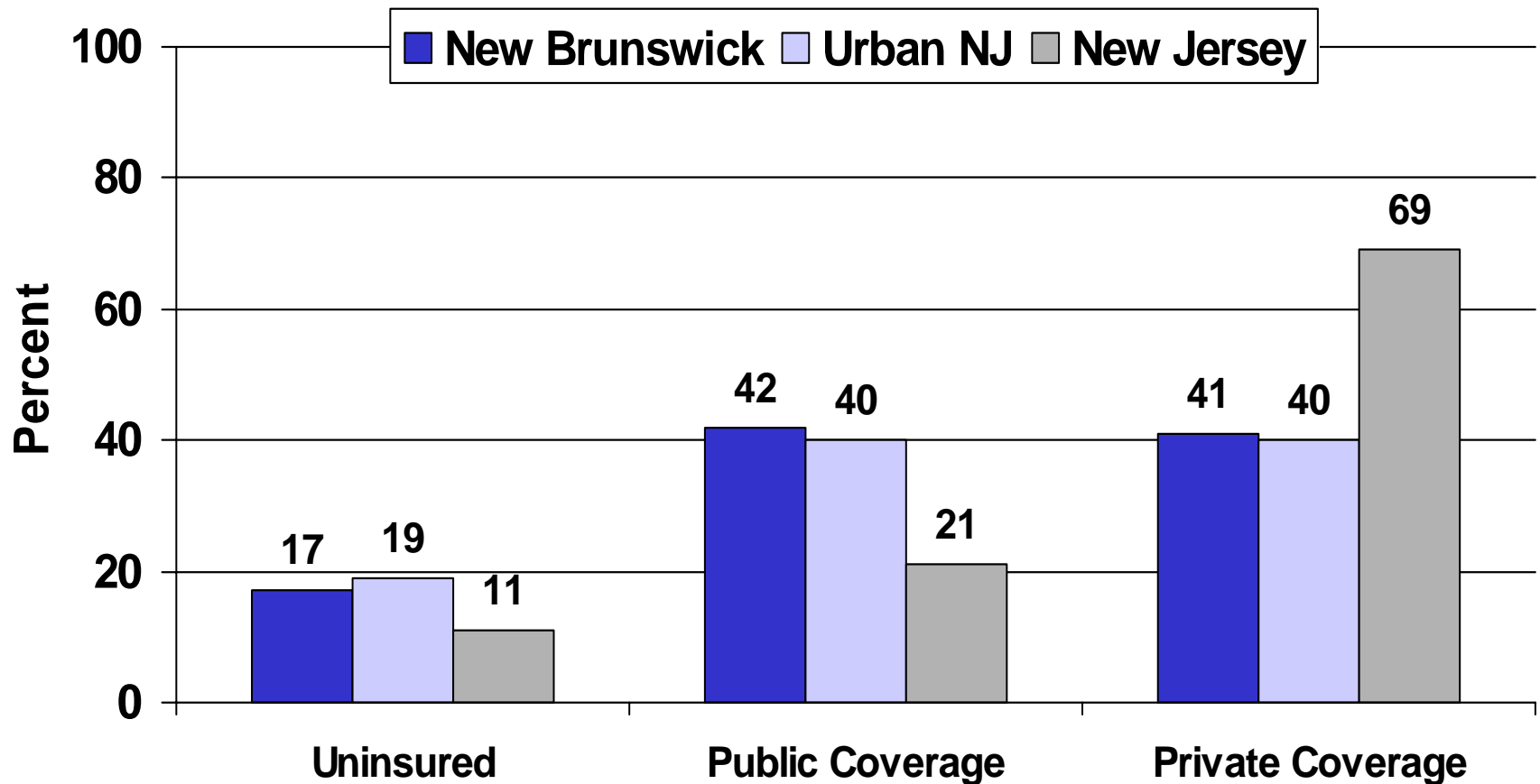


Health Insurance/ Seguro Médico

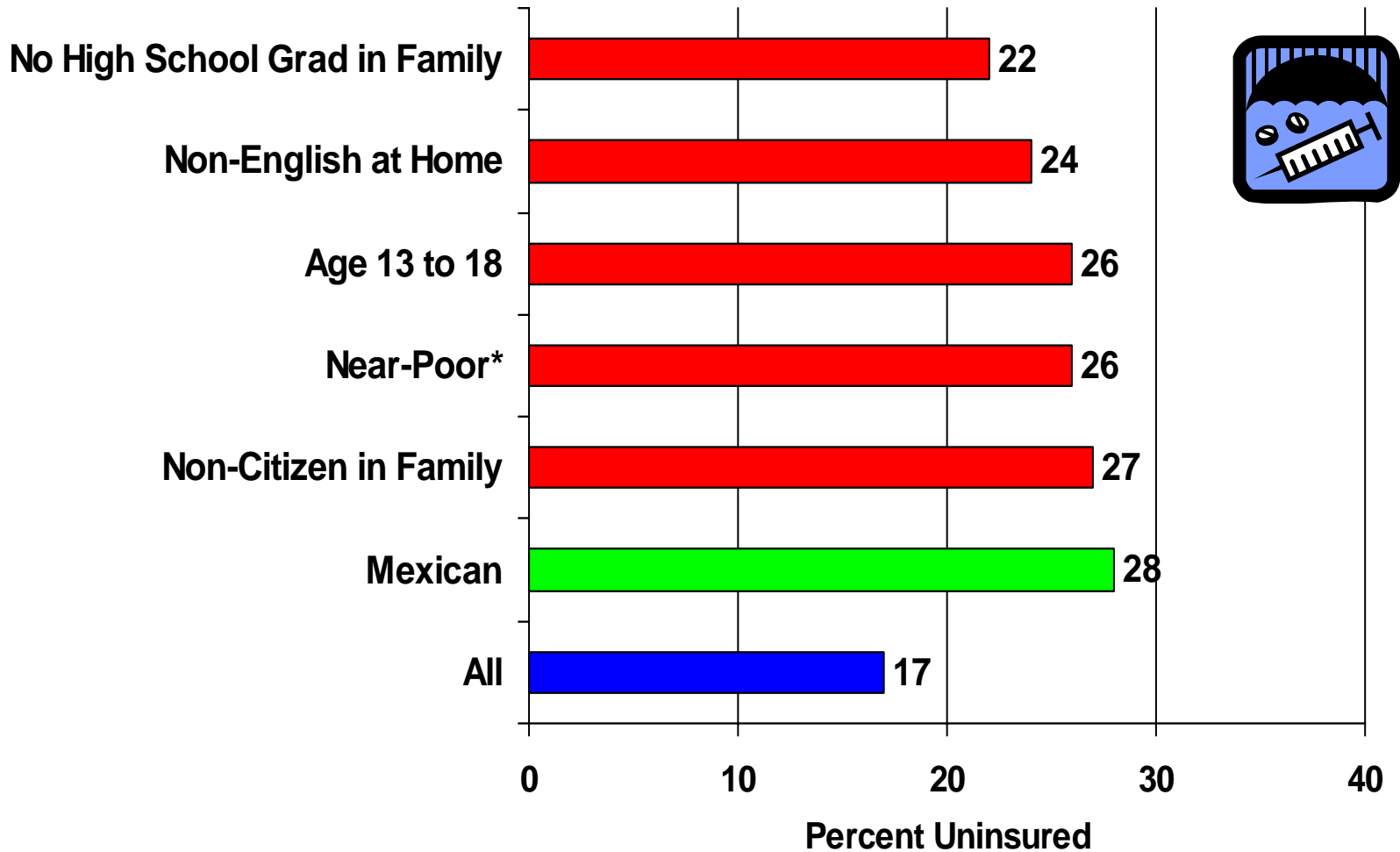
- New Brunswick residents are at high risk for uninsurance, as are those in Urban NJ
- Residentes de New Brunswick tienen alto riesgo de no tener seguro médico, tal como otros en centros urbanos en NJ
- Most at risk.../ Quienes están en más alto riesgo
 - Mexicans, immigrants, near-poor, low education
 - Those in fair or poor health

Health insurance for *children* in New Brunswick is similar to Urban NJ

Seguro medio para *niños* en New Brunswick
es parecido a otras zonas urbanas en NJ



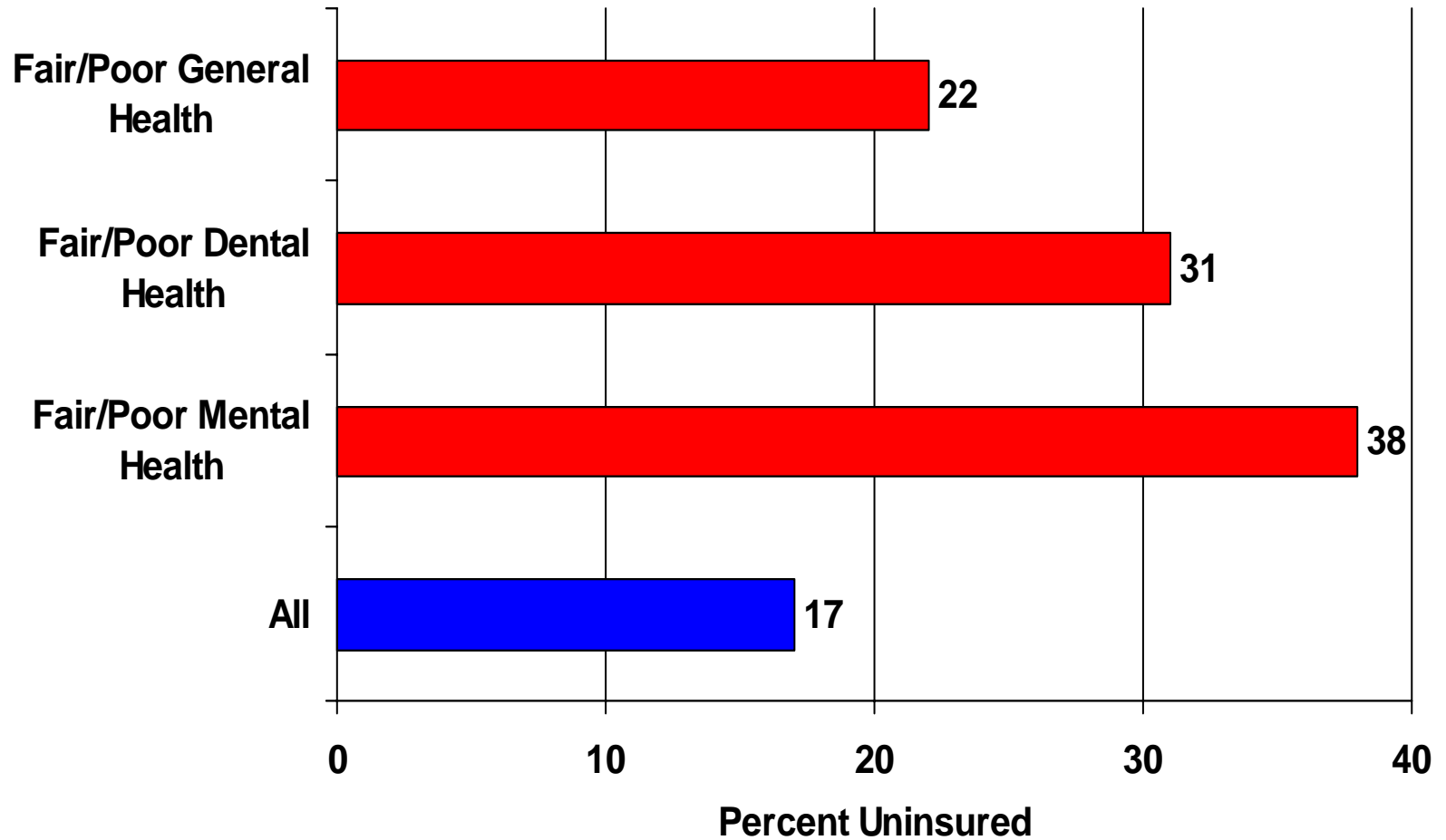
Uninsured Children/ Niños sin Seguro



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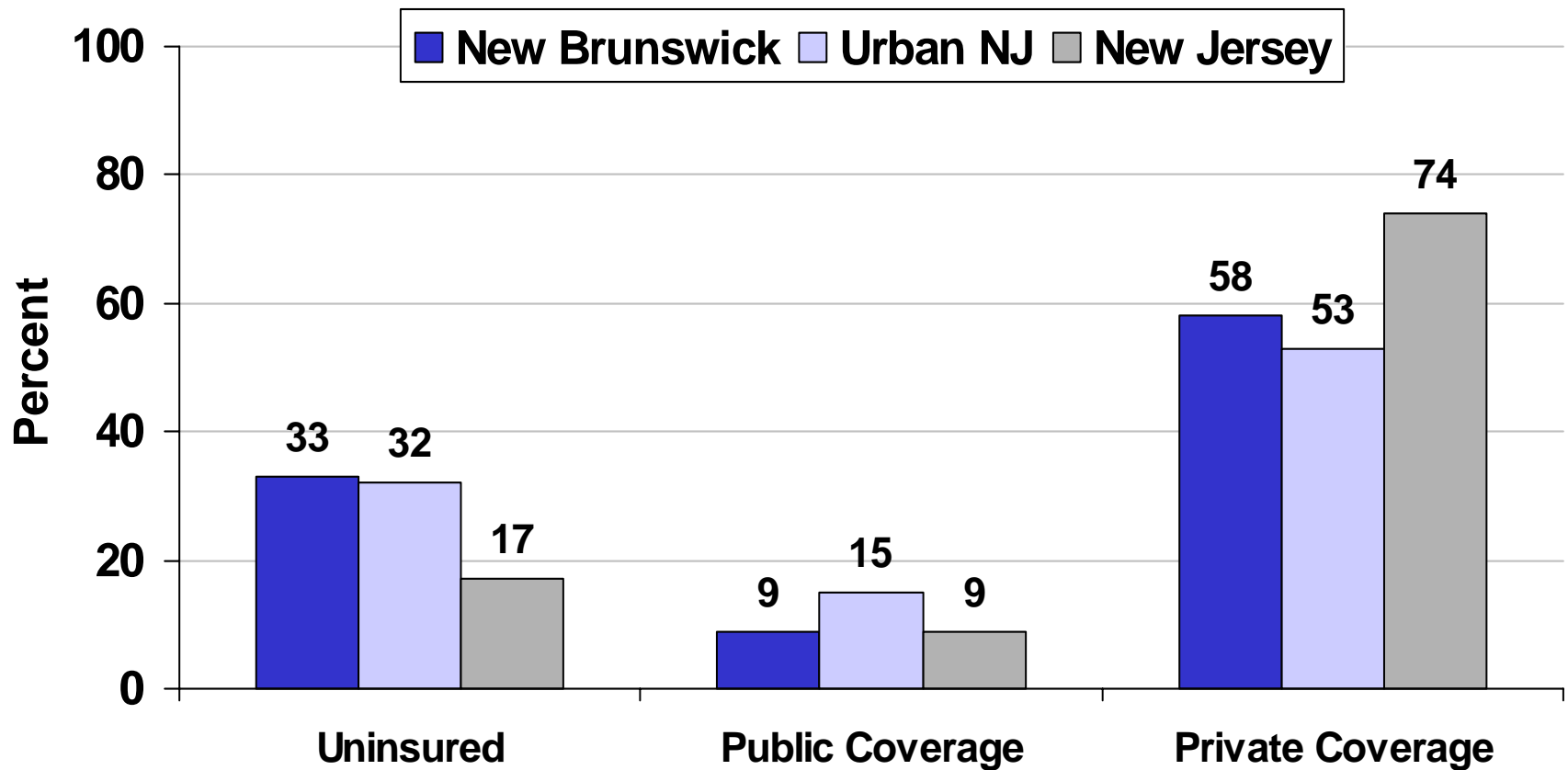
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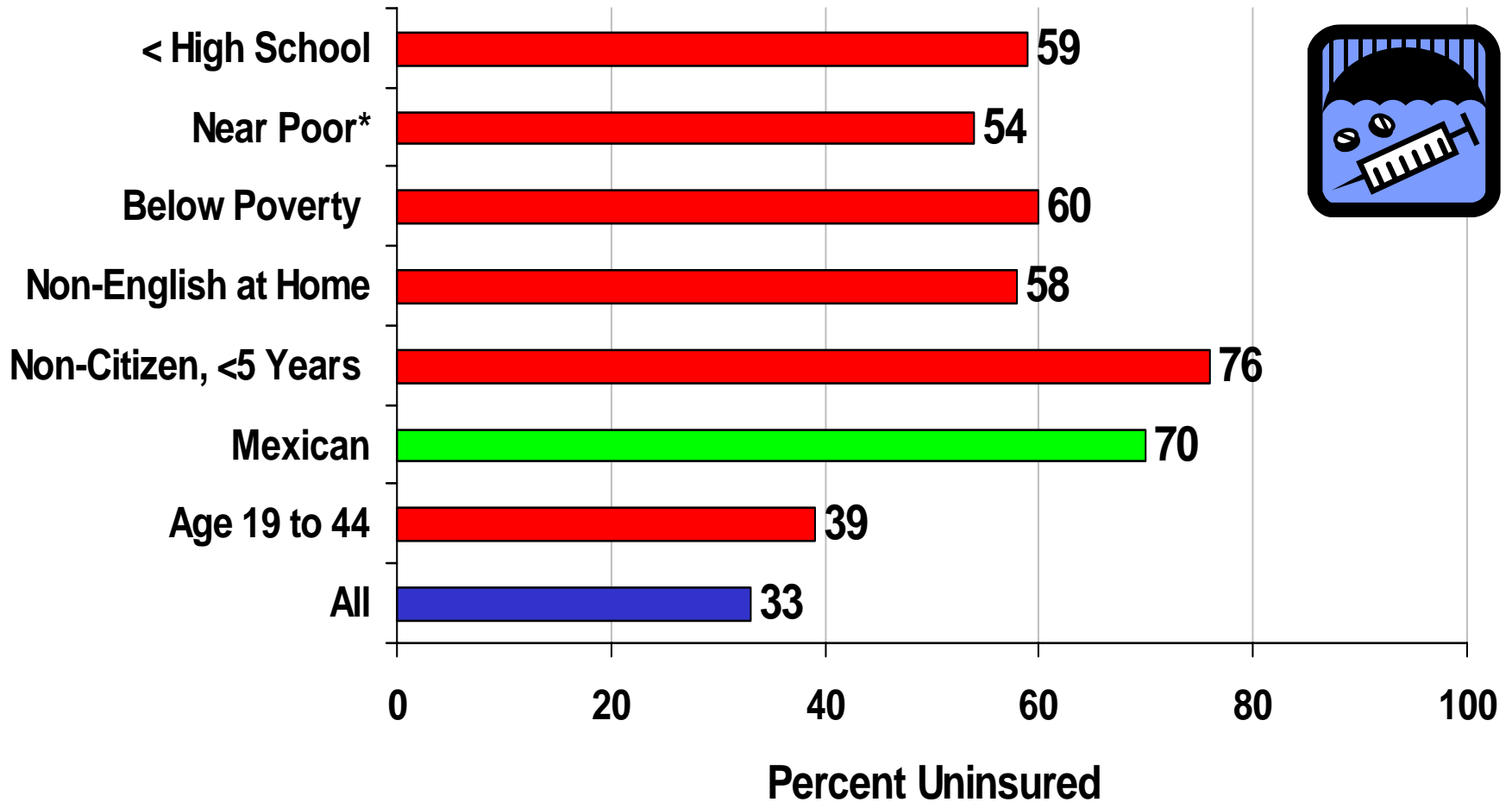
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Health insurance for *adults* in New Brunswick is worse than Urban NJ

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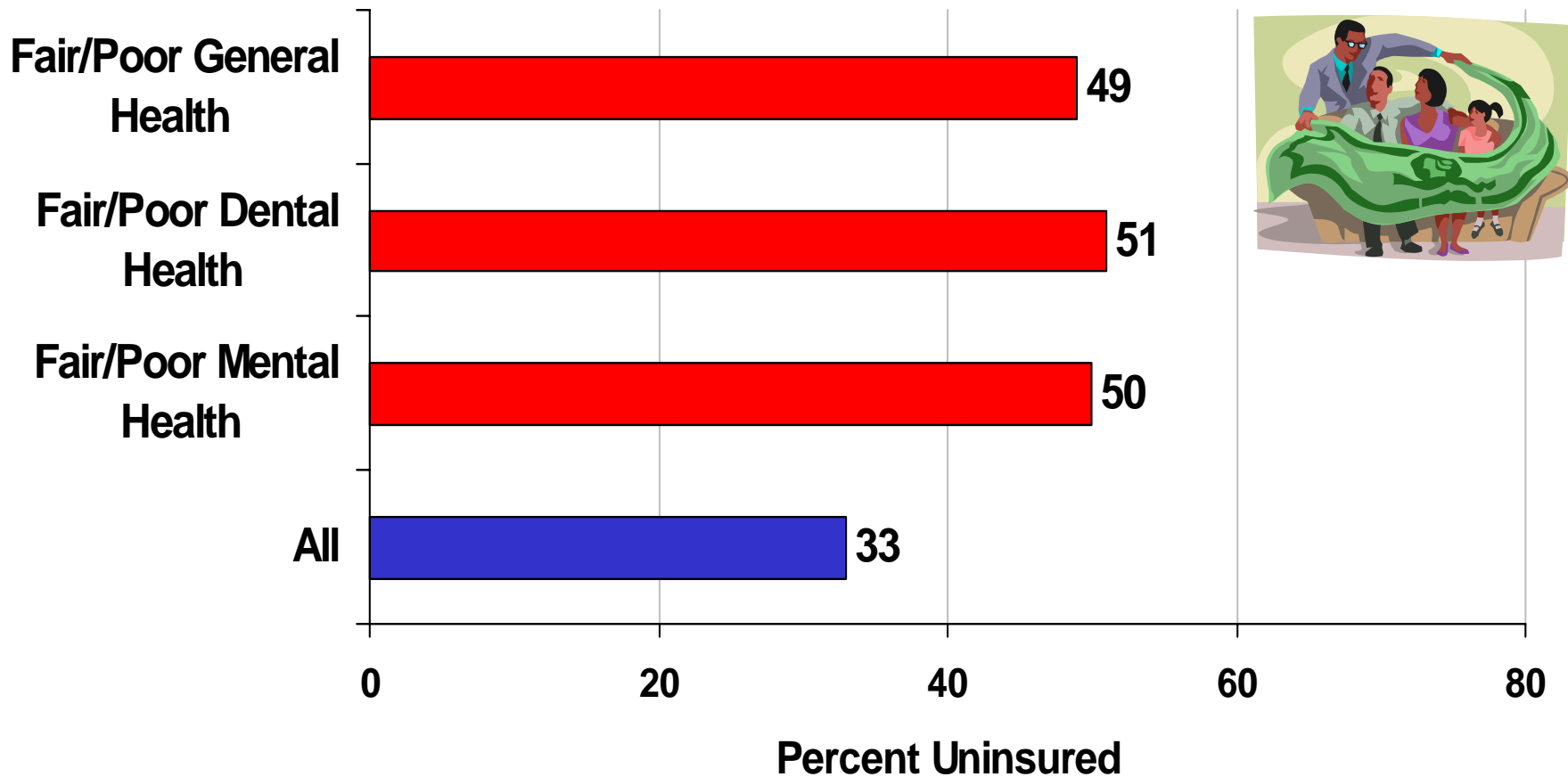
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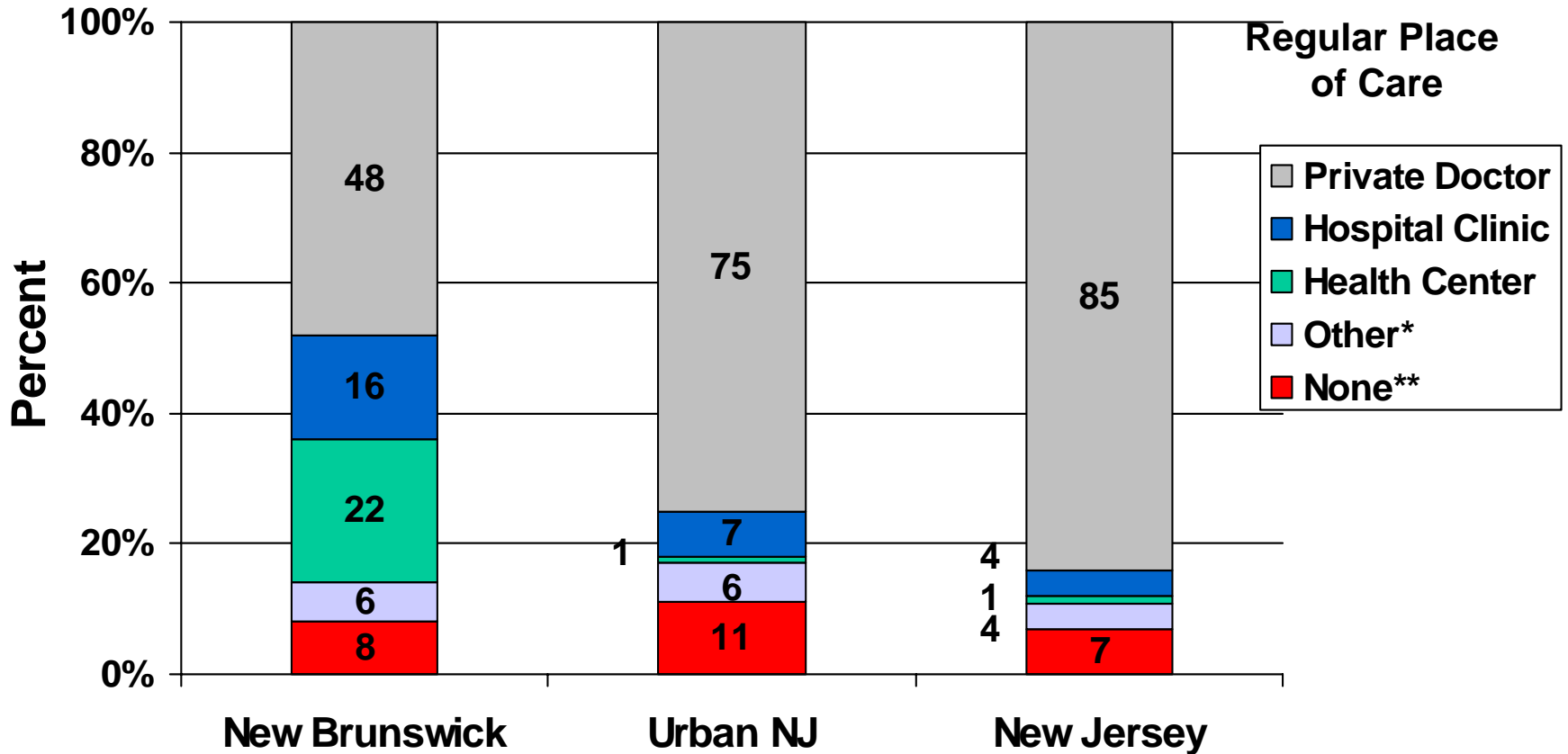


Regular Source of Care/ Recurso Regular a la Atención de Salud

- A regular source of care is important for access to and continuity of care
- New Brunswick health care institutions play a *very* large role in providing access
- Uninsured and near-poor children are two to three times more likely to *lack* a regular source of care
- Uninsured and non-citizen adults are two times more likely to *lack* a regular source of care

Few children lack a regular place of care

Pocos niños sufren de falta de un recurso regular para su atención de salud



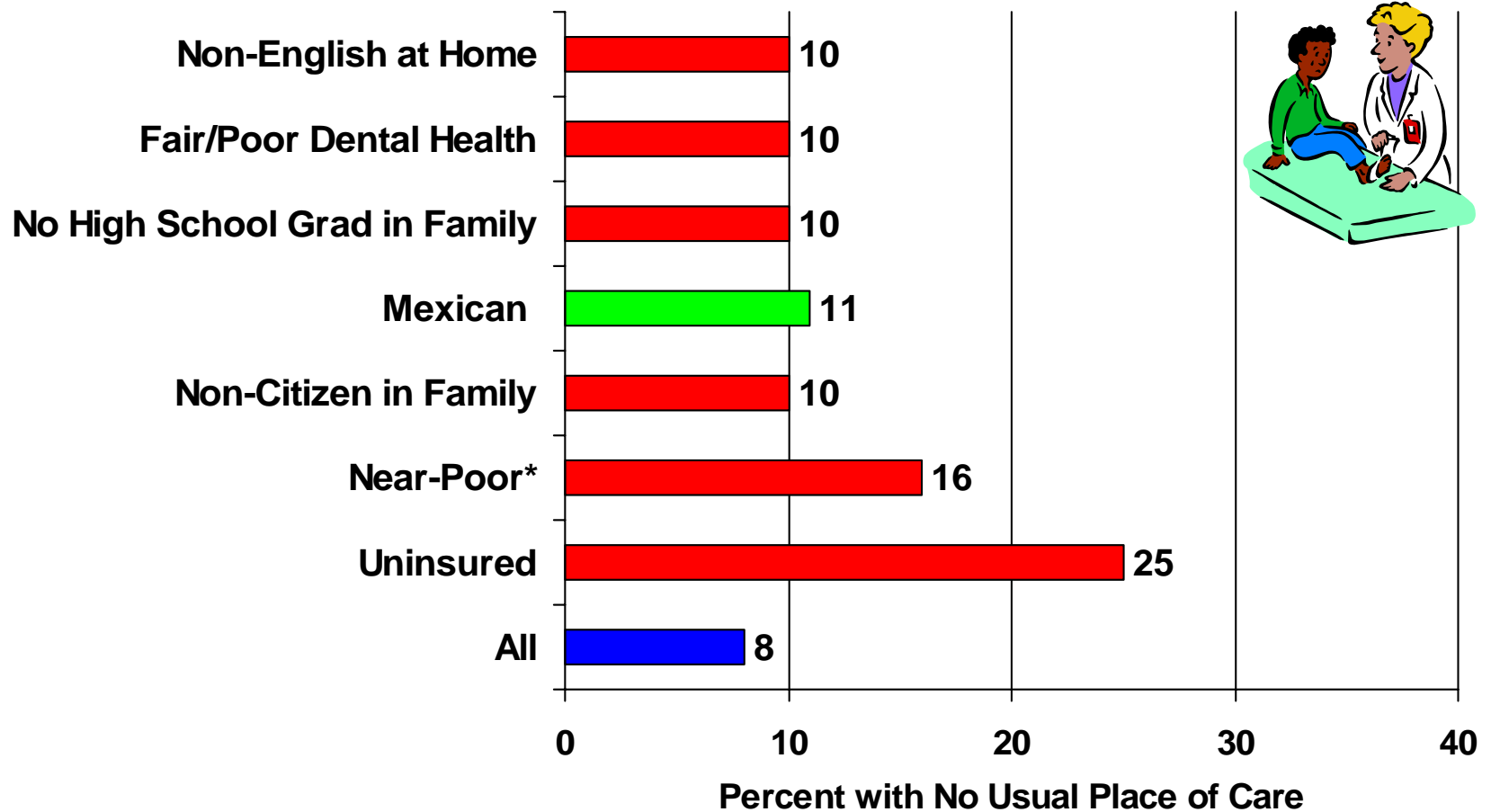
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Children without a regular place of care

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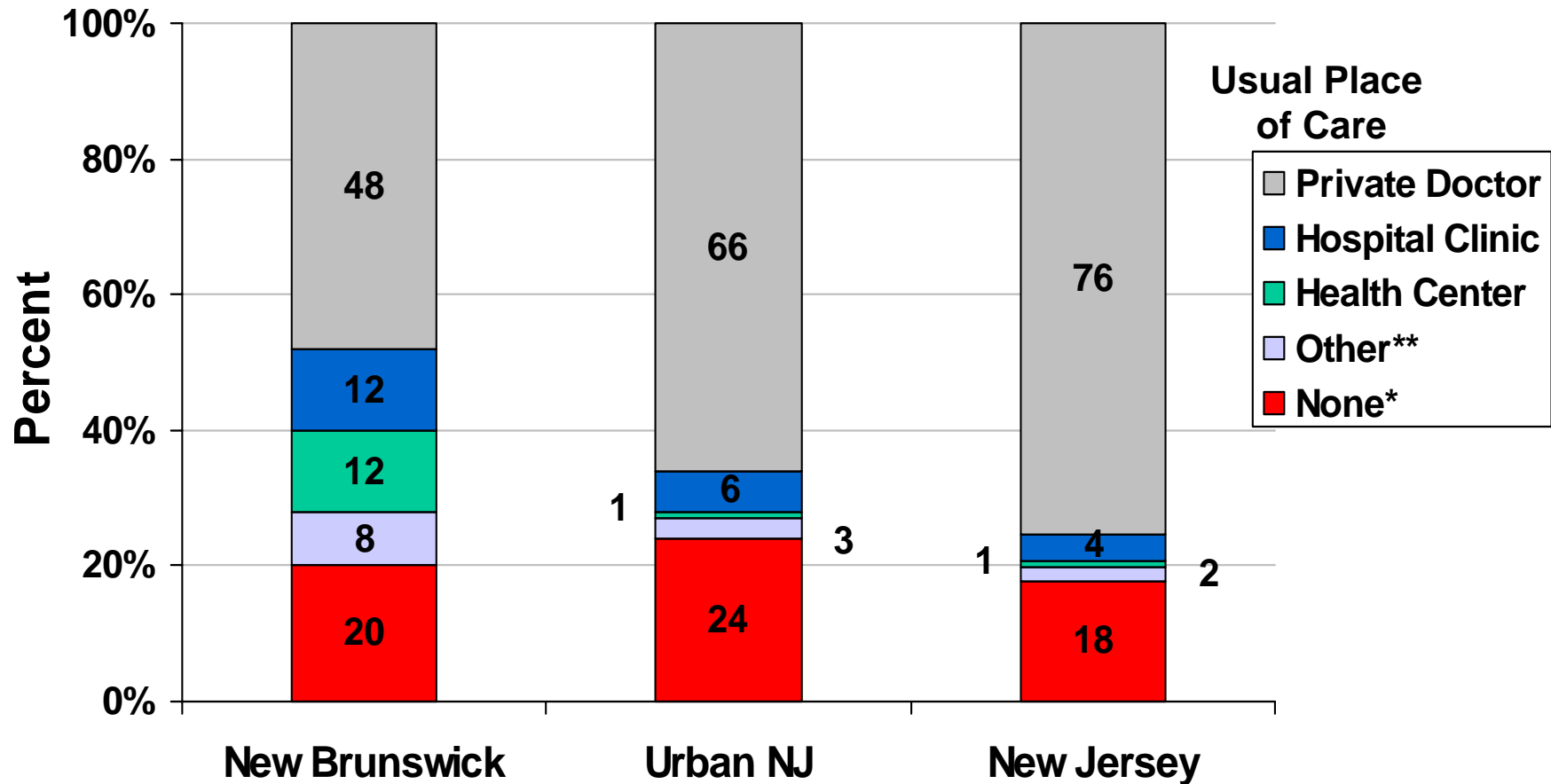


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More adults lack a regular place of care

Más adultos sufren de la falta un recurso regular para la atención de su salud



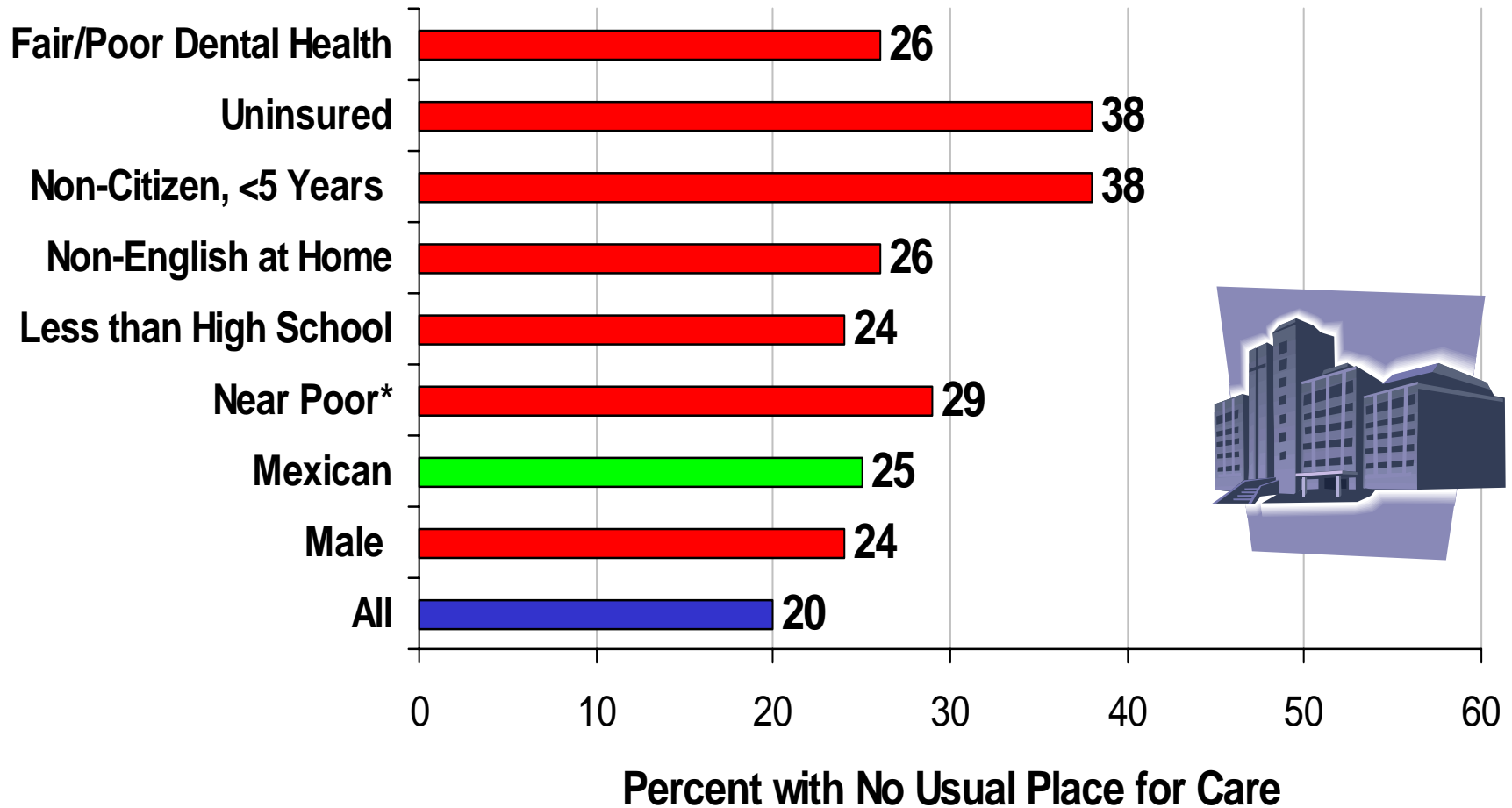
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Conclusions/ Resumen

- New Brunswick has a larger Mexican community who is more recently arrived and less likely to be documented than other NJ cities
- Dental problems are particularly serious for Mexican children and adults
- Access to health care is difficult for those without insurance and who are undocumented
 - Members of the Mexican community are more likely to be uninsured and undocumented



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