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The Latino Data Project was developed with the goal of making information available on the dynamically growing Latino population of the United States and especially New York City through the analysis of extant data available from a variety of sources such as the U.S. Census Bureau, the National Institute for Health, the Bureau of Labor Statistics, and state and local-level data sources.

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Introduction

One of the purposes of the Latino Data Project is to make statistical data on the Latino population of New York City available to scholars, researchers, journalists, students, and general information seekers. The analyzed data presented in most reports the Center has released have been derived from raw data released by the U.S. Census Bureau and organized by the University of Minnesota's, Minnesota Population Center's IPUMS USA project (Integrated Public Use Microdata Series) which processes the PUMS (Public Use Microdata Sample) information released by the Census Bureau's American Community Survey each fall, usually in October, for the preceding year.¹

The yearly American Community Survey PUMS data are based on samples of geographical units named Public Use Microdata Areas (PUMA) which consist of statistical geographical entities with a threshold of 65,000 persons. They do not cross state lines and may consist of extant counties or other defined areas. PUMAs are determined by each state, not the U.S. Census Bureau. The samples collected by the Census Bureau are projected to the general population using a sophisticated statistical methodology and the Census Bureau publishes estimates of margins of error for the data.

The Census Bureau has also begun releasing 3 year and most recently 5-year data sets (in 2009) which have larger samples and are based on geographical regions with populations of 20,000 people or more.

The advantage of using the PUMS sample data is that the raw data files contain detailed demographic, social, economic, and housing information on a multitude of variables for every race/ethnic group and national origin group in the U.S. While demographic researchers anxiously await the full release of the 2010 census data, the information that has been released as of April 2011 is exclusively related to general characteristics of the population such as sex, age, race, Hispanic origin, and some housing characteristics. As yet there are no data on the socioeconomic indicators which are the main focus of Latino Data Project reports.

CLACLS has published two reports on the Mexican-origin population of New York City: "Mexicans in New York City, 1990–2005" and "Mexicans in New York City, 2007: An Update." See our website for fully downloadable versions at <http://web.gc.cuny.edu/lastudies/pages/latinodataprojectreports.html>. All of our reports present a varied array of statistical data in tables and graphs along with an accompanying narrative which summarizes the major data in narrative and analytical form. In this report we are only presenting the data for an interested audience, without the accompanying text. In some ways this is an experiment and we await responses from our readers to determine whether we will incorporate this format into some of our reports.

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¹ Steven Ruggles, J. Trent Alexander, Katie Genadek, Ronald Goeken, Matthew B. Schroeder, and Matthew Sobek. Integrated Public Use Microdata Series: Version 5.0 [Machine-readable database]. Minneapolis: University of Minnesota, 2010., internet address: <http://usa.ipums.org/usa/>

Figure 1
Mexican Population of New York City, 1990- 2009

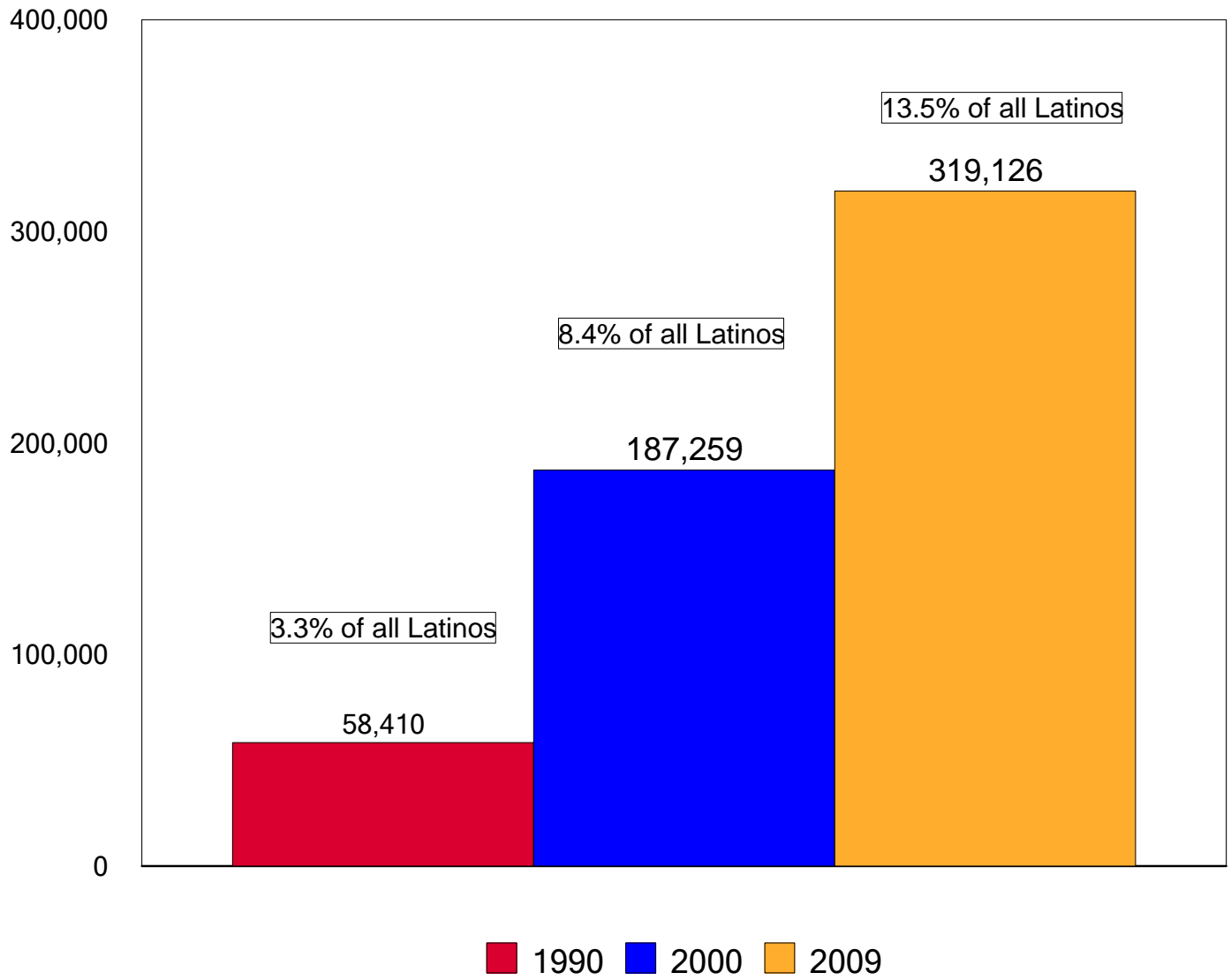


Figure 2
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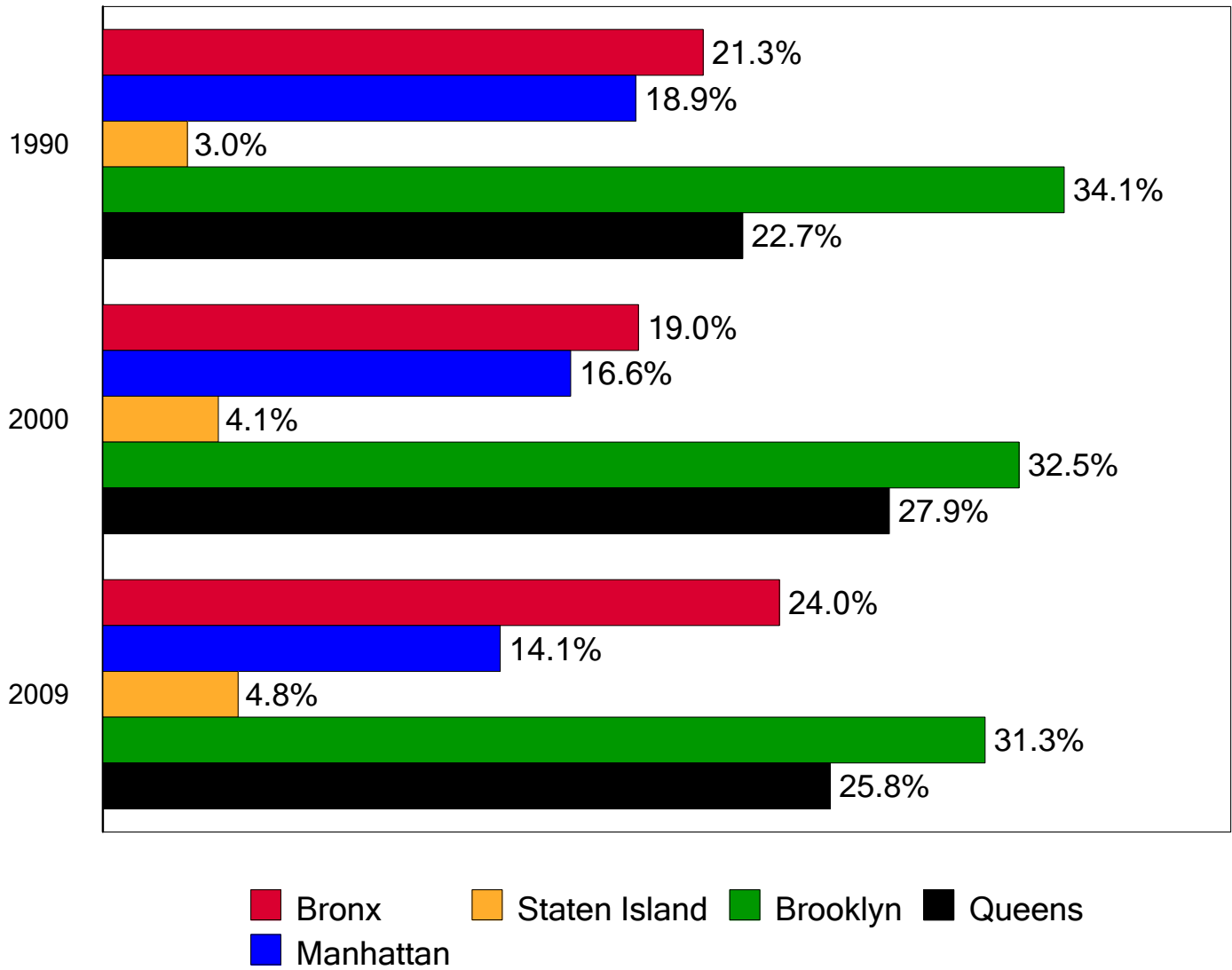


Figure 3
 Mexican Population as Percentage of Total Populations of New York City Boroughs, 1990- 2009

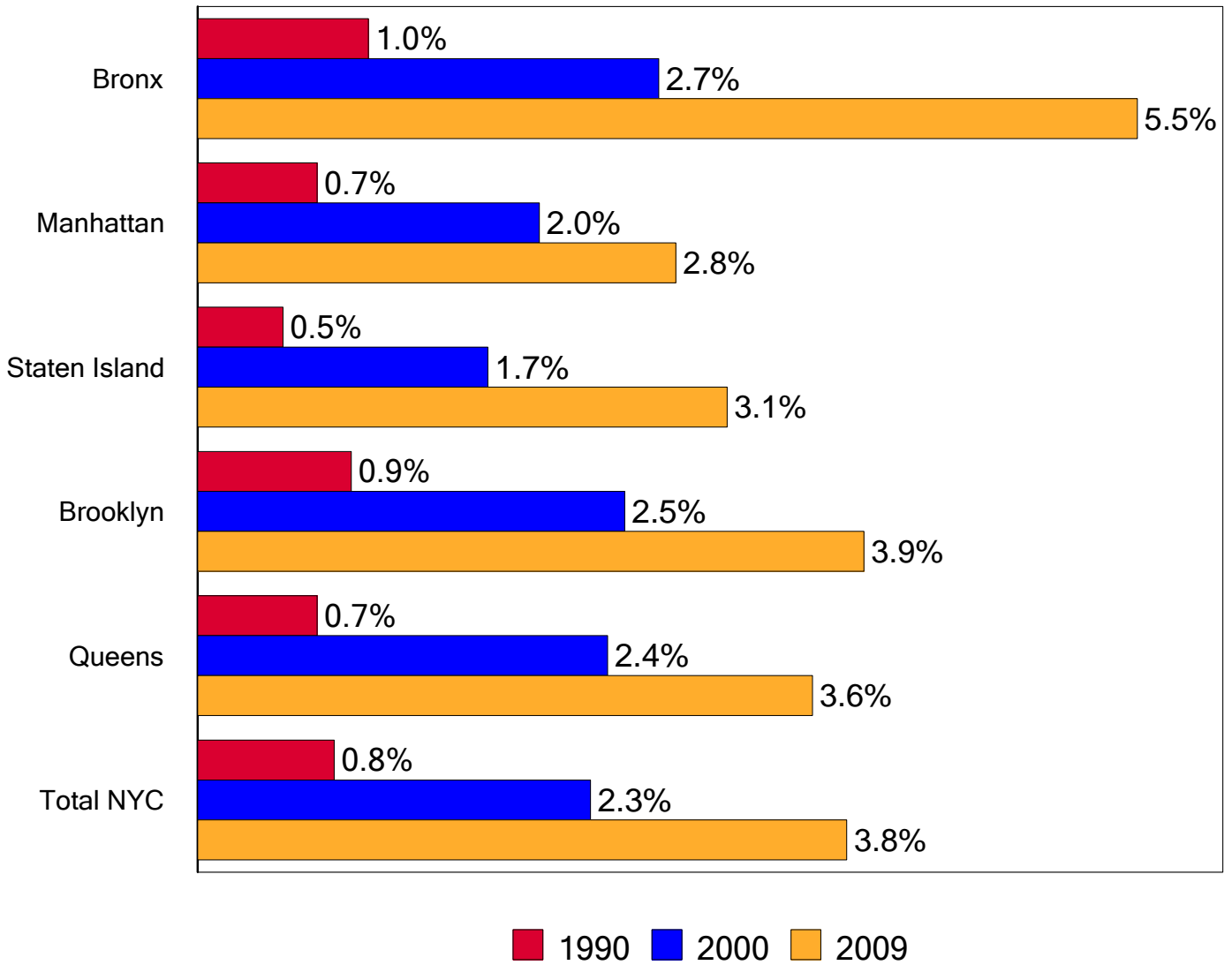


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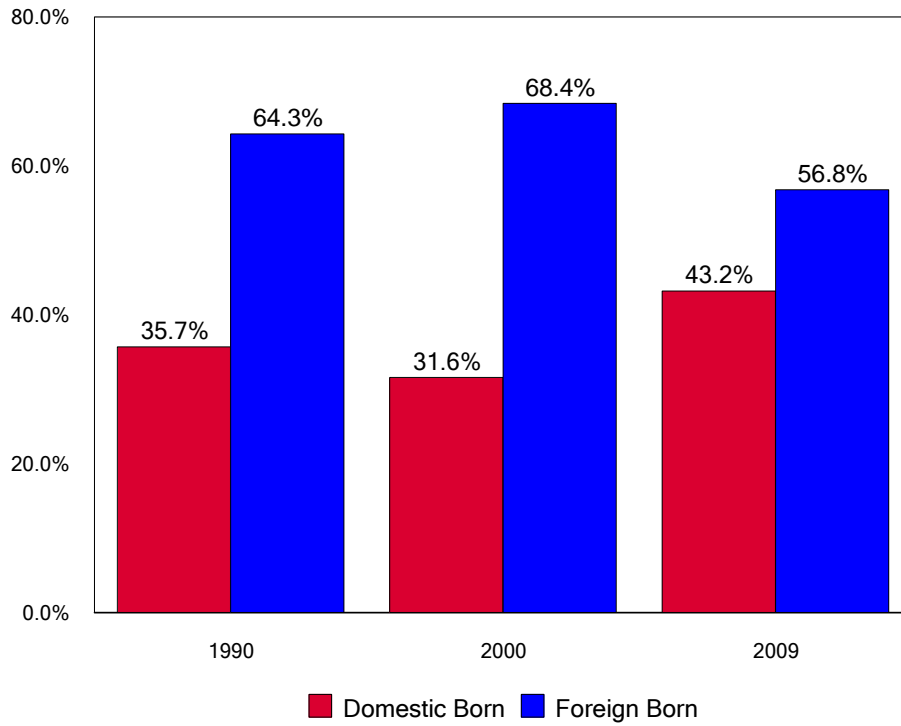


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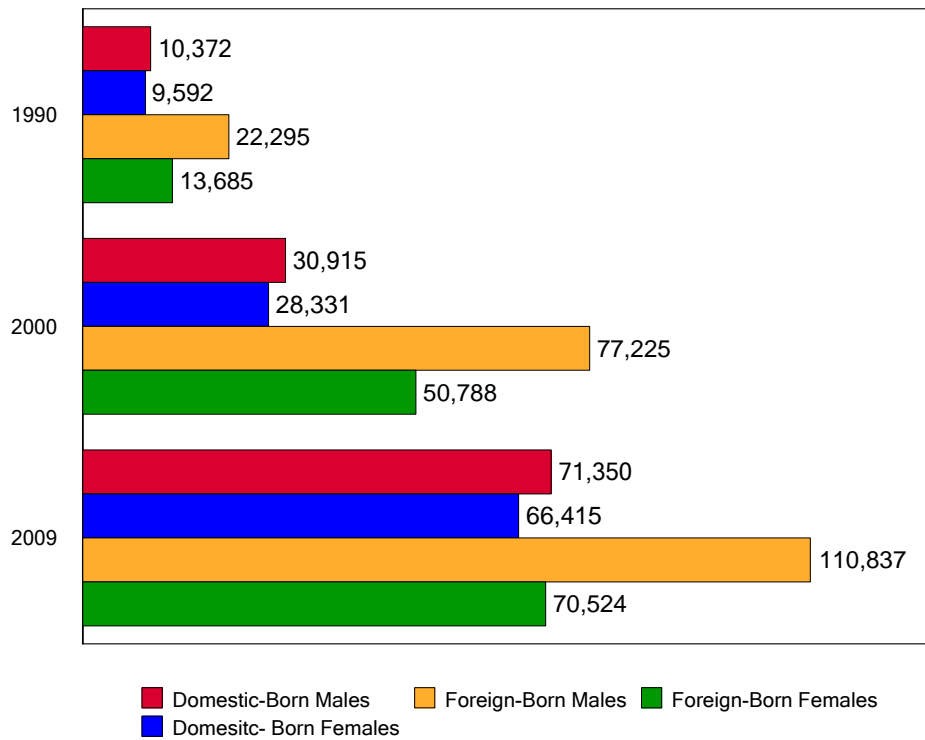


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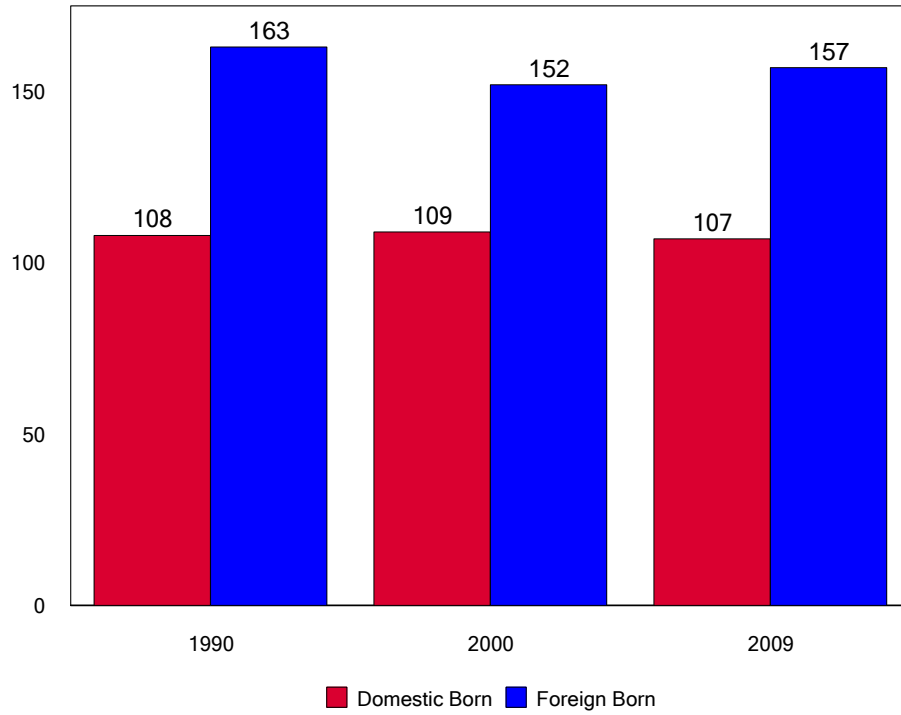


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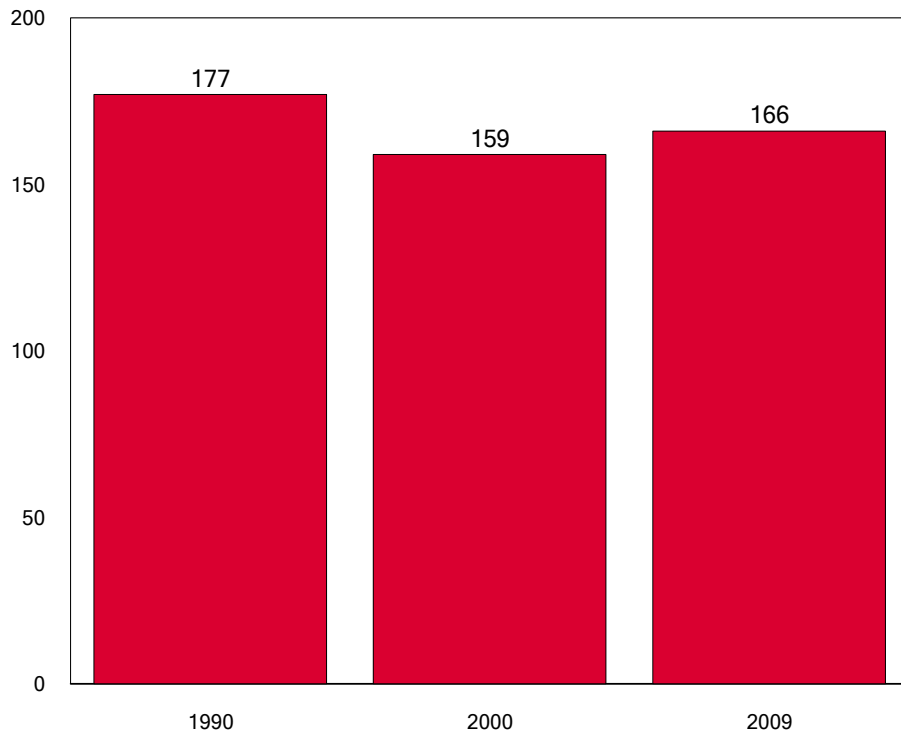


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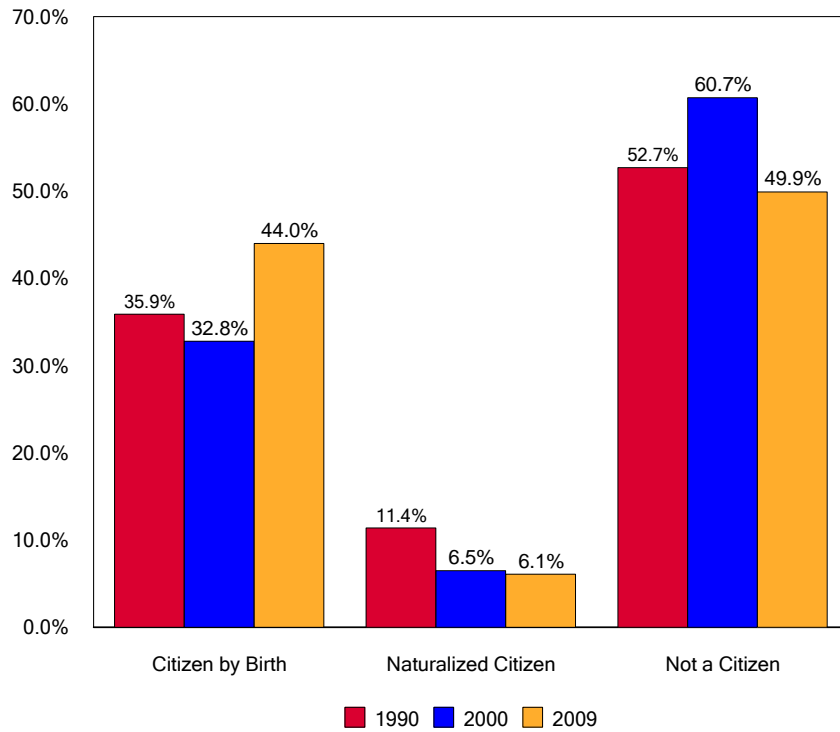
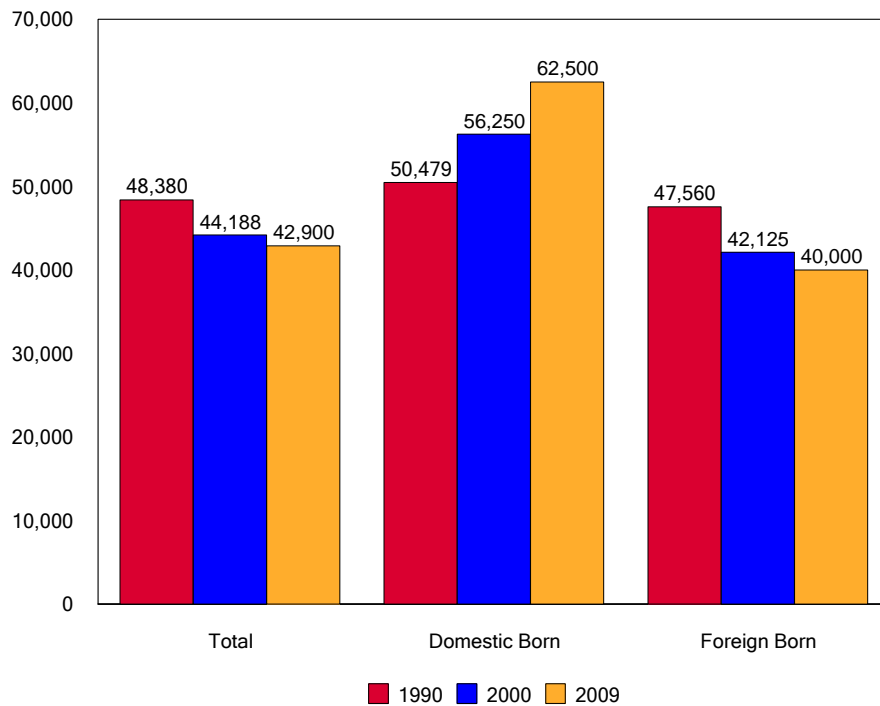
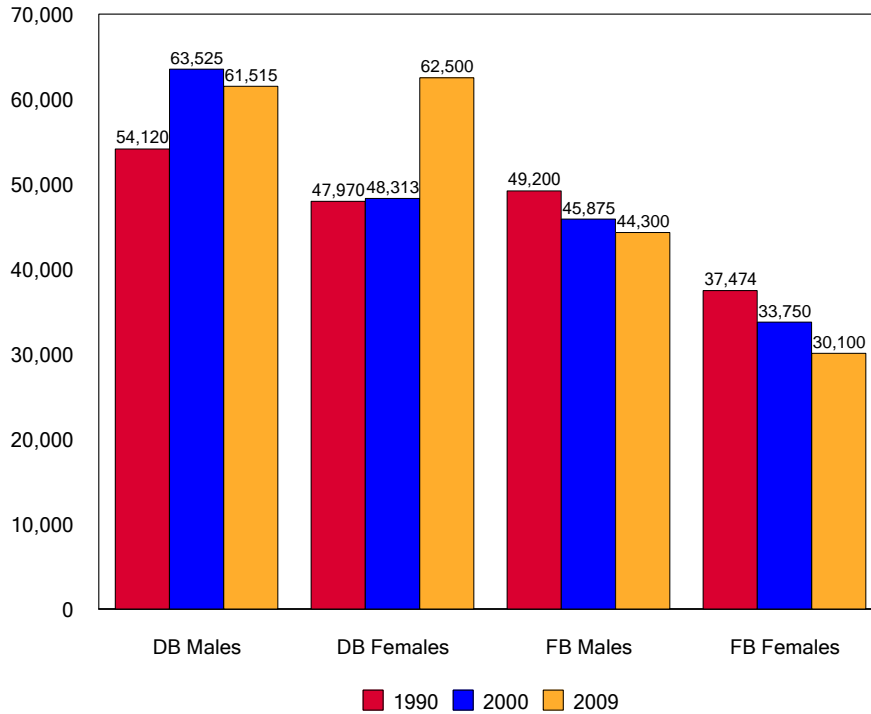


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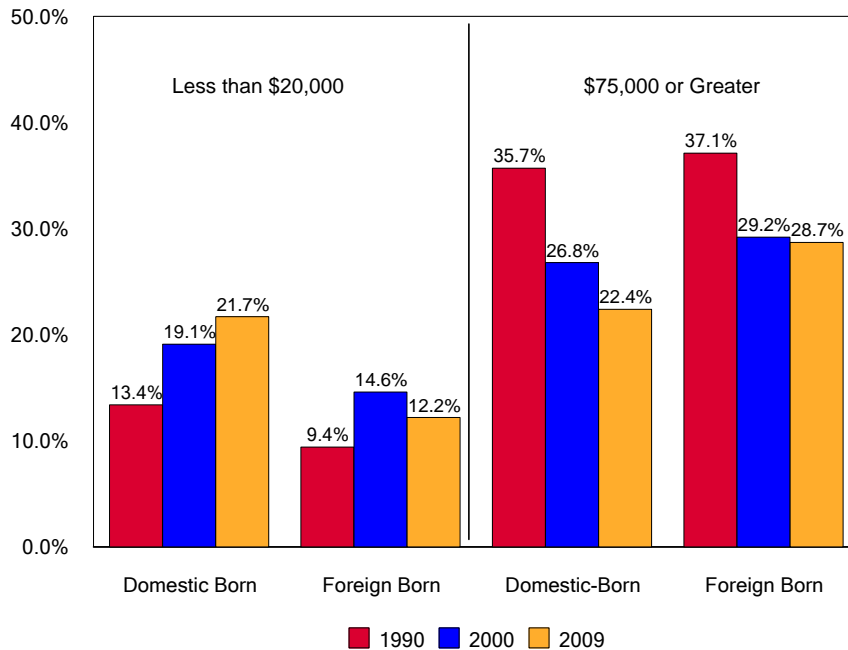
Note: These data are for household heads.

Figure 10
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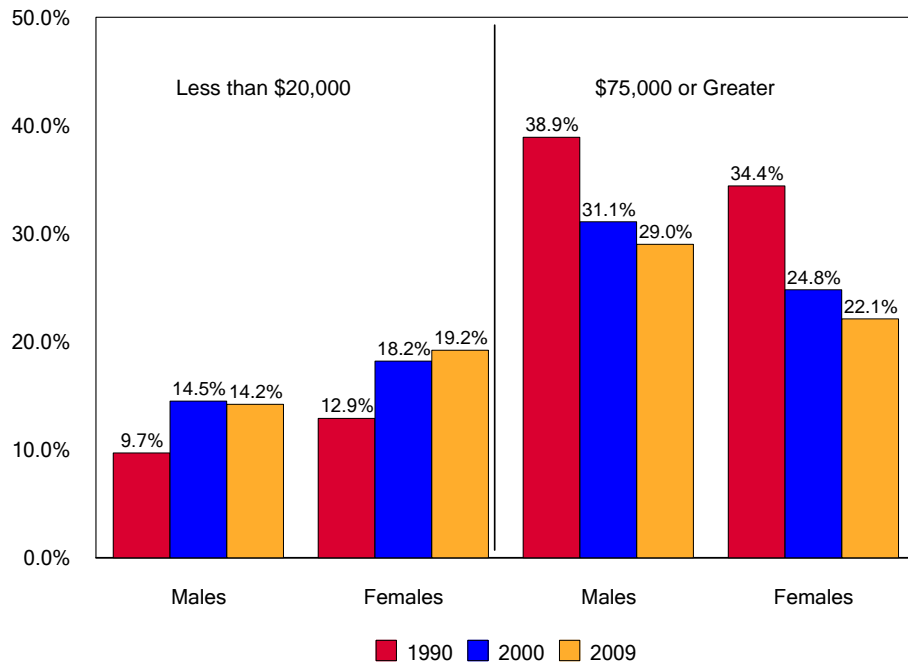
Note: DB = Domestic Born; FB = Foreign Born. These data are for household heads.

Figure 11
 Percentage of Mexican Households Earning Less than \$20,000 and More than \$75,000
 by Nativity in New York City, 1990 - 2009



Note: These data are in inflation-adjusted 2009 dollars.

Figure 12
 Percentage of Mexican Households Earning Less than \$20,000 and More than \$75,000
 by Sex in New York City, 1990 - 2009



Note: These data are in inflation-adjusted 2009 dollars.

Figure 13
 Percentage of Mexicans Living in Poverty by Sex and Nativity in New York City, 1990 - 2009

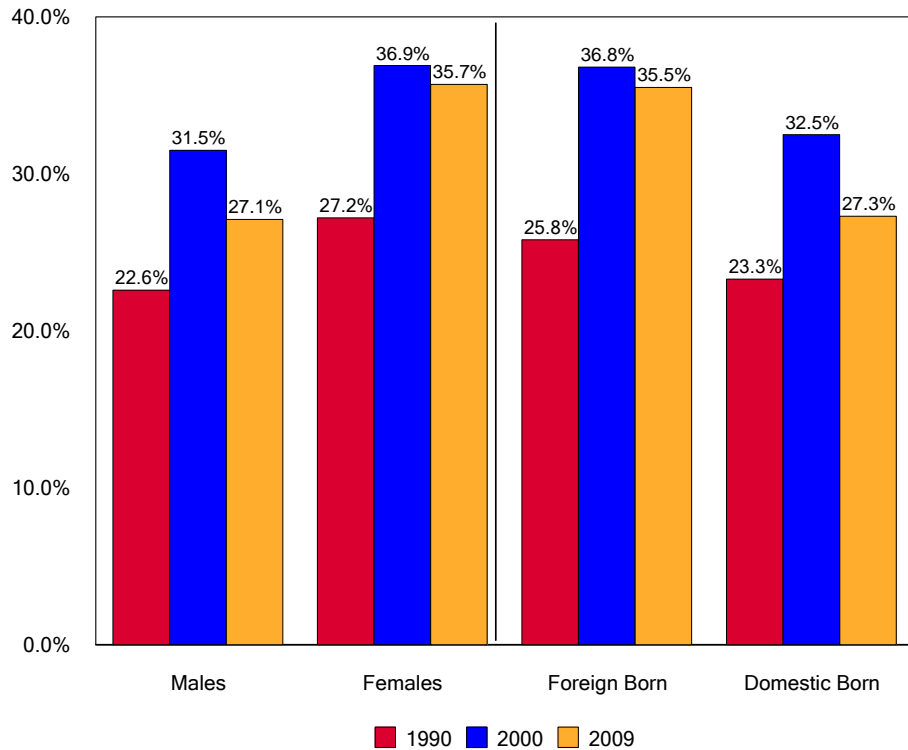


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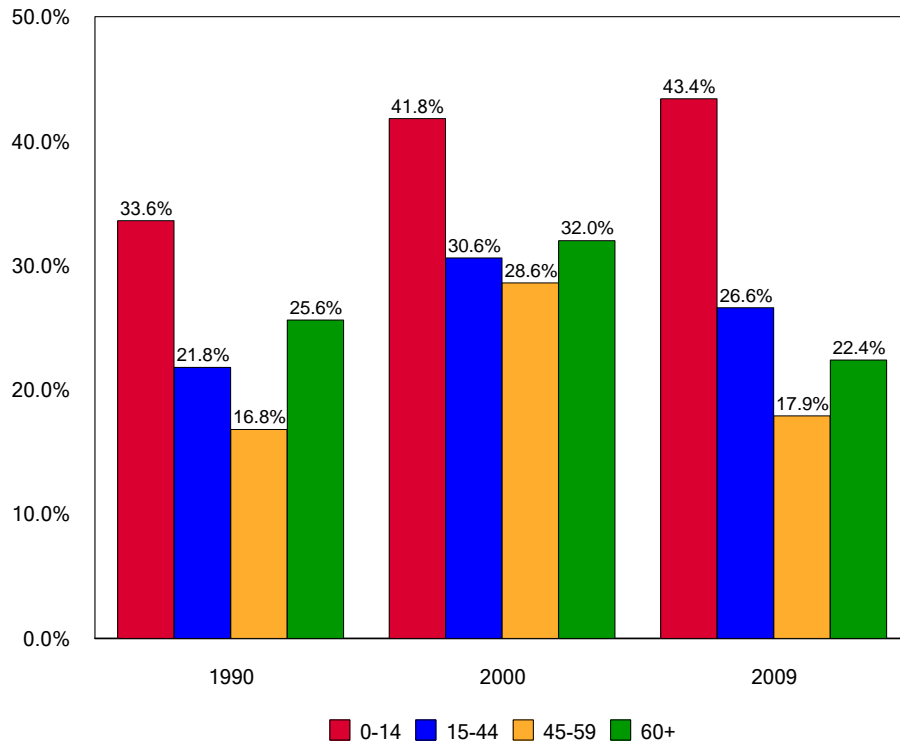


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Educational Attainment Rates among Mexicans in New York City, 1990 - 2009
(population ages 25 +)

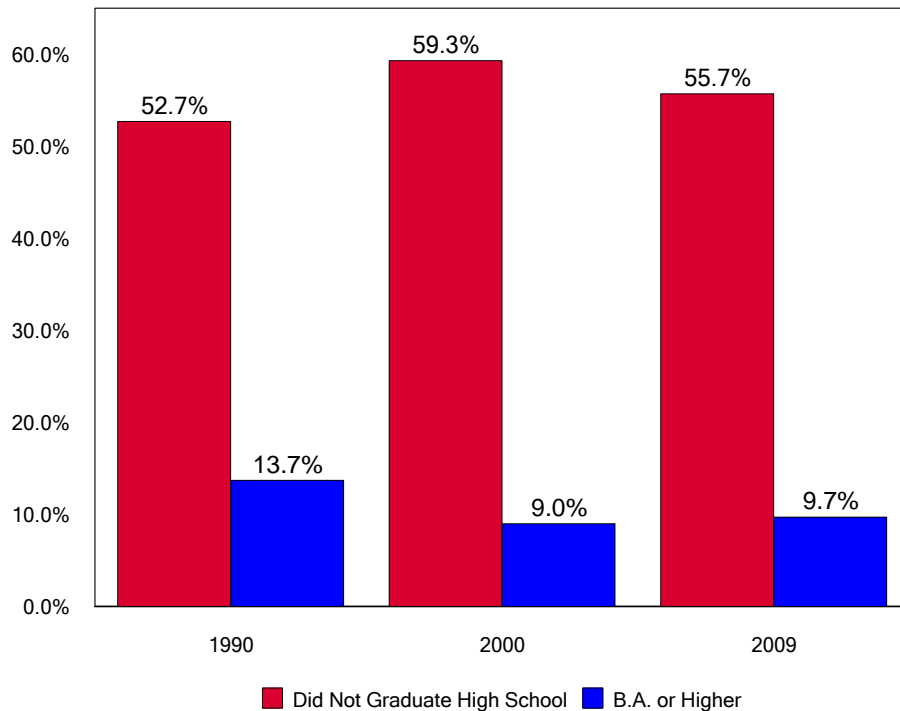


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Educational Attainment Rates among Mexicans in New York City by Nativity, 1990 - 2009
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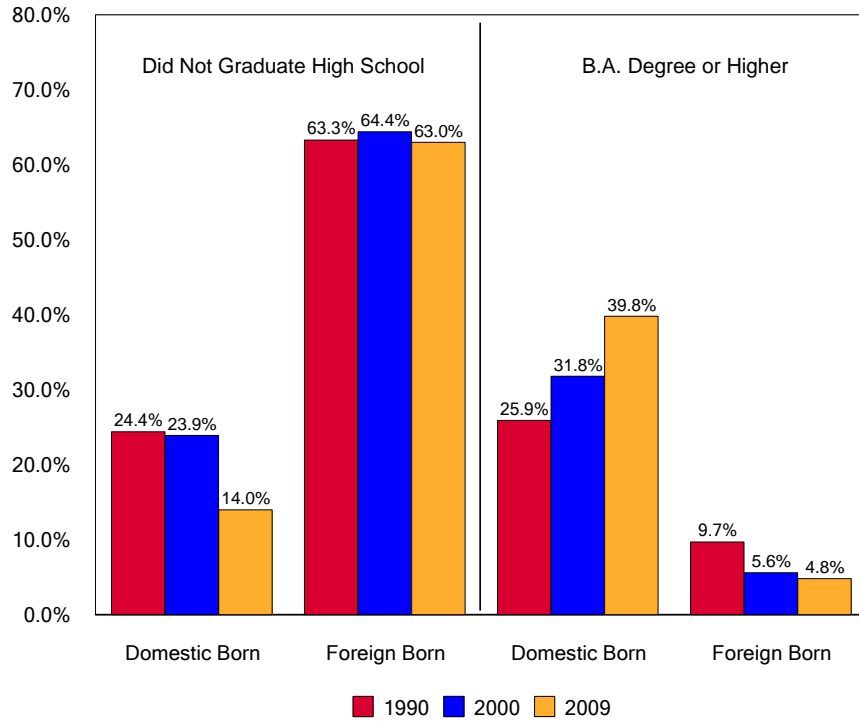


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(population ages 25 +)

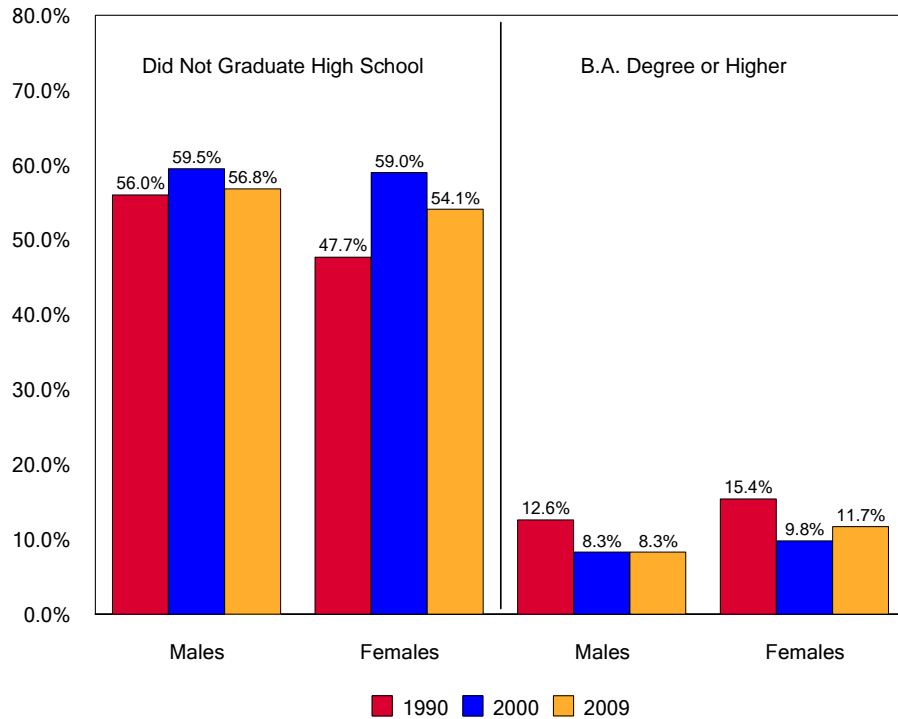
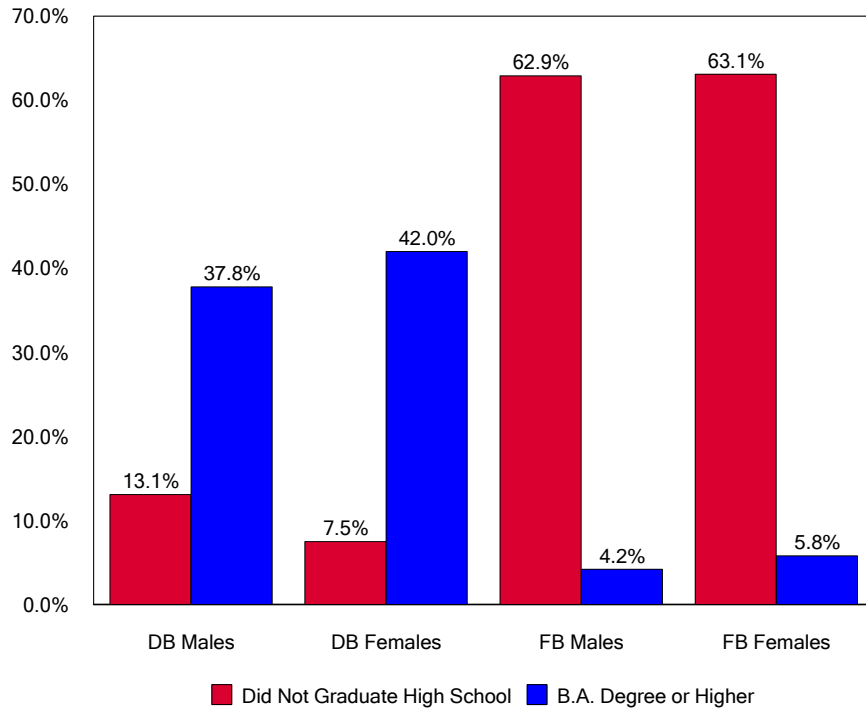


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Educational Attainment Rates among Mexicans in New York City by Sex and Nativity, 2009
(population ages 25 +)



Note: DB = Domestic Born; FB = Foreign Born.

Figure 19
Employment among Mexicans in New York City, 1990 - 2009
(population ages 16 - 60)

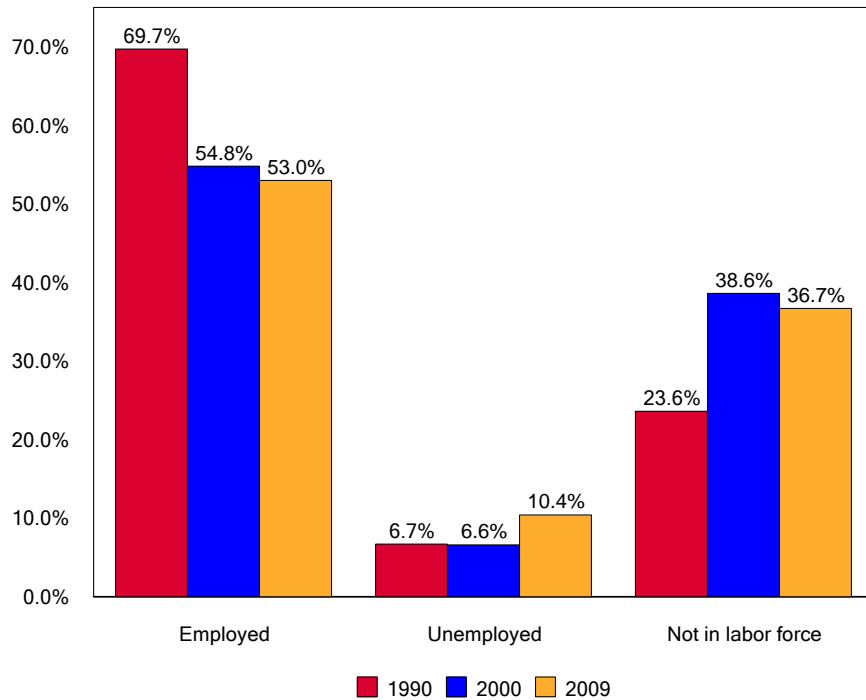


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 Employment among Mexicans in New York City by Sex, 1990 - 2009
 (population ages 16 - 60)

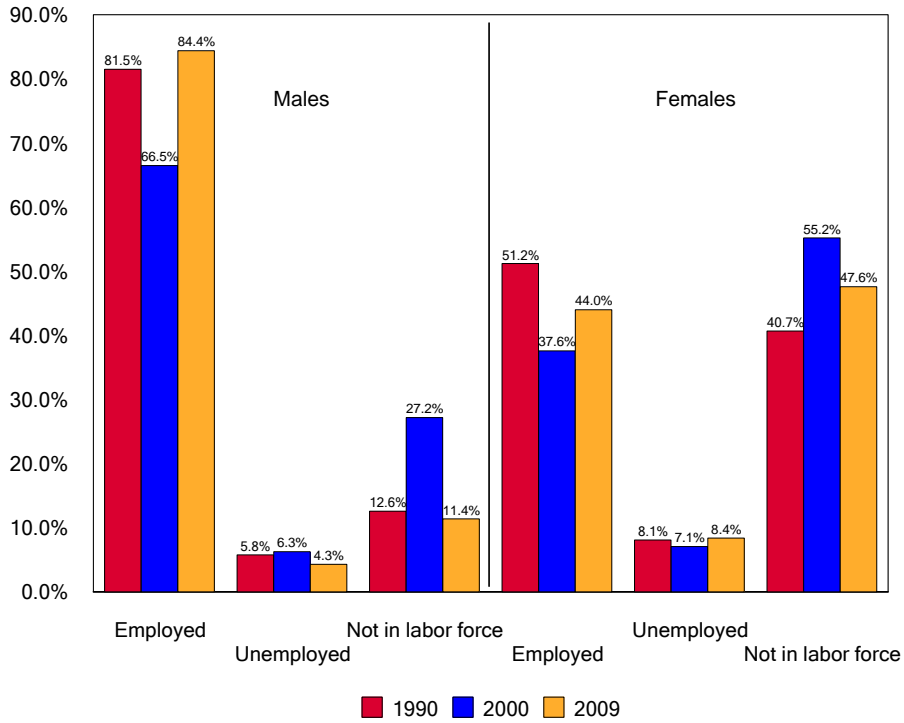


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 Employment among Mexicans in New York City by Nativity, 1990 - 2009
 (population ages 16 - 60)

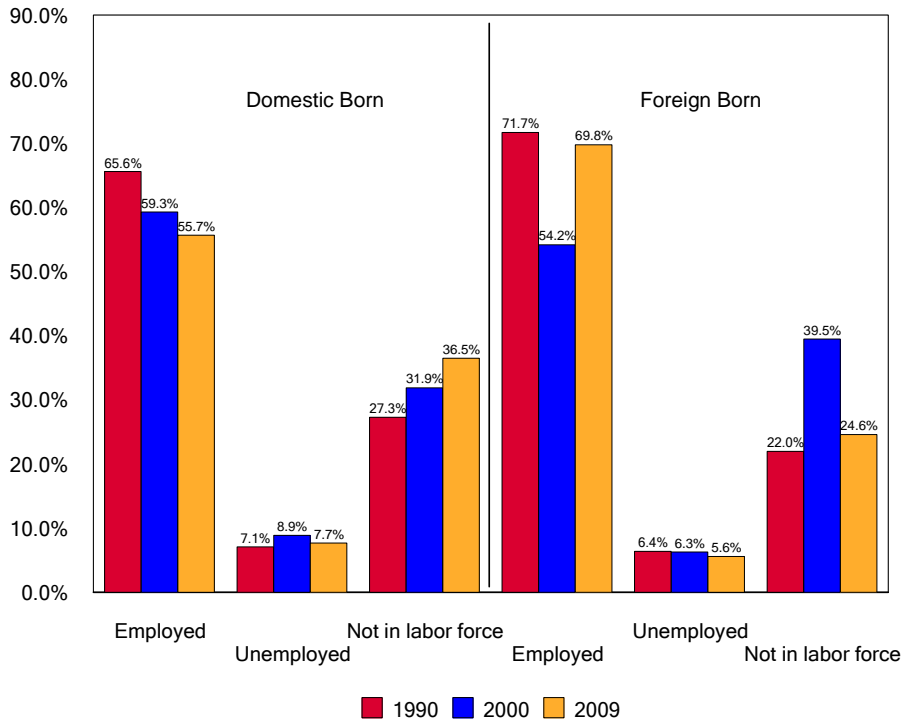
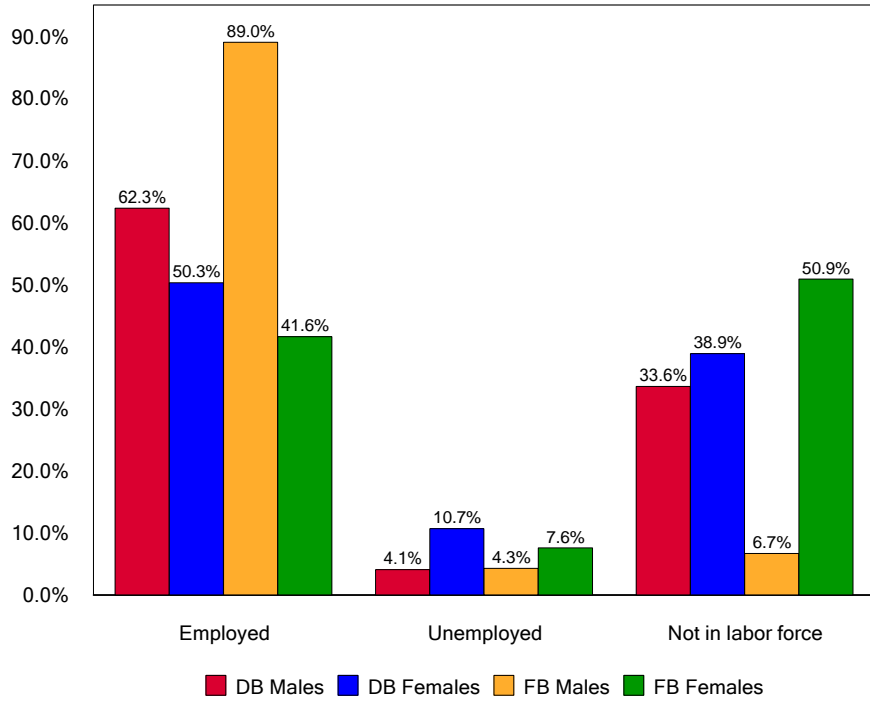


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Employment among Mexicans in New York City by Sex and Nativity, 2009
(population ages 16 - 60)



Note: DB = Domestic Born; FB = Foreign Born.

Figure 23
English Language Abilities among Mexicans in New York, 1990 - 2009

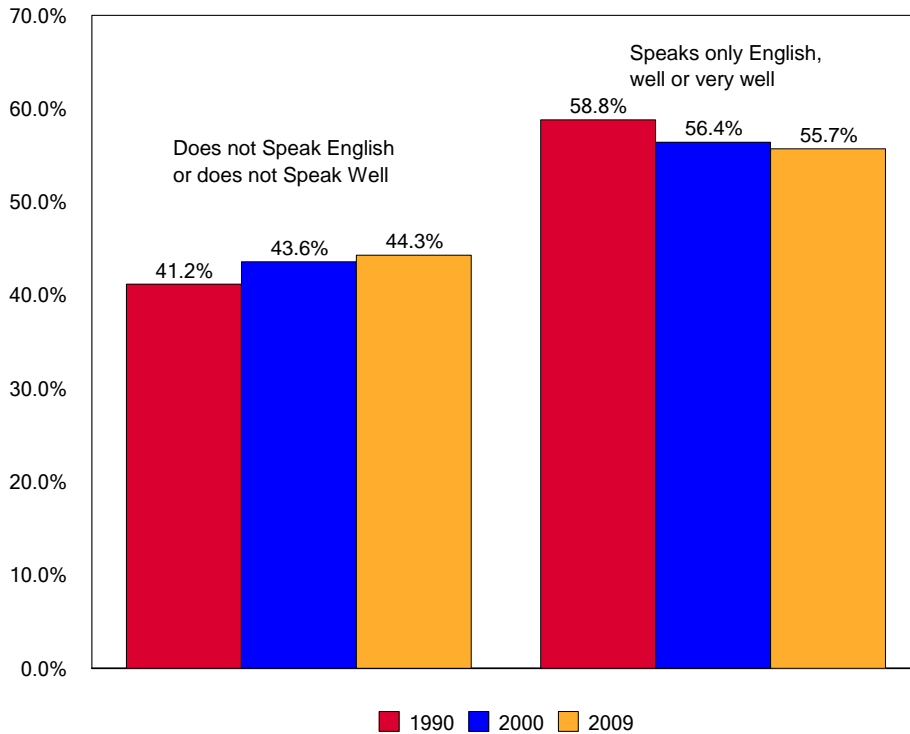


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Language Spoken at Home among Mexicans in New York, 1990 - 2009

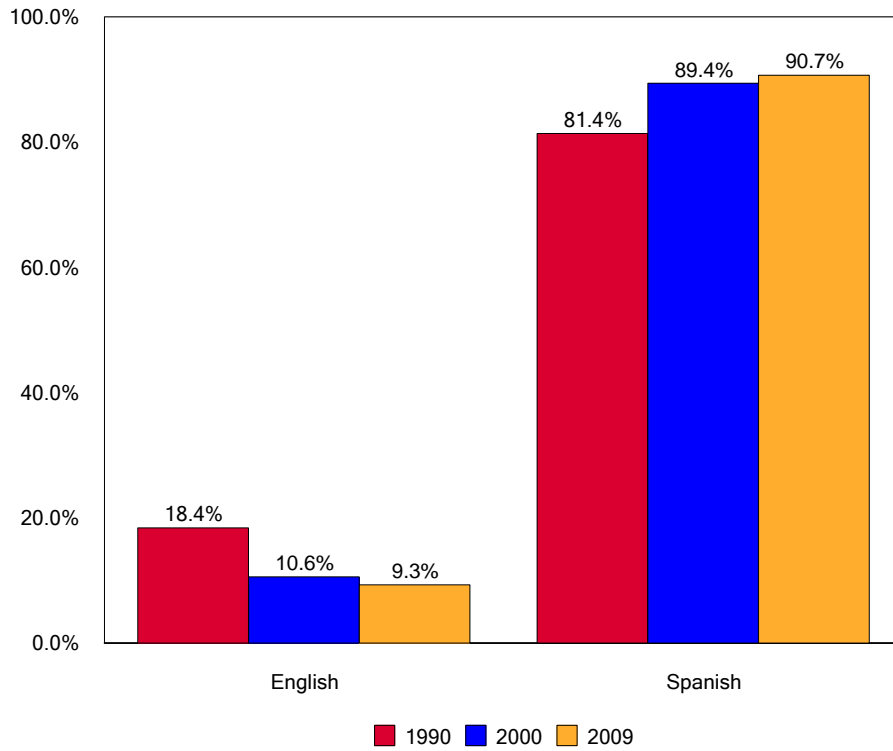


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Language Spoken at Home among Domestic-Born Mexicans in New York, 1990 - 2009

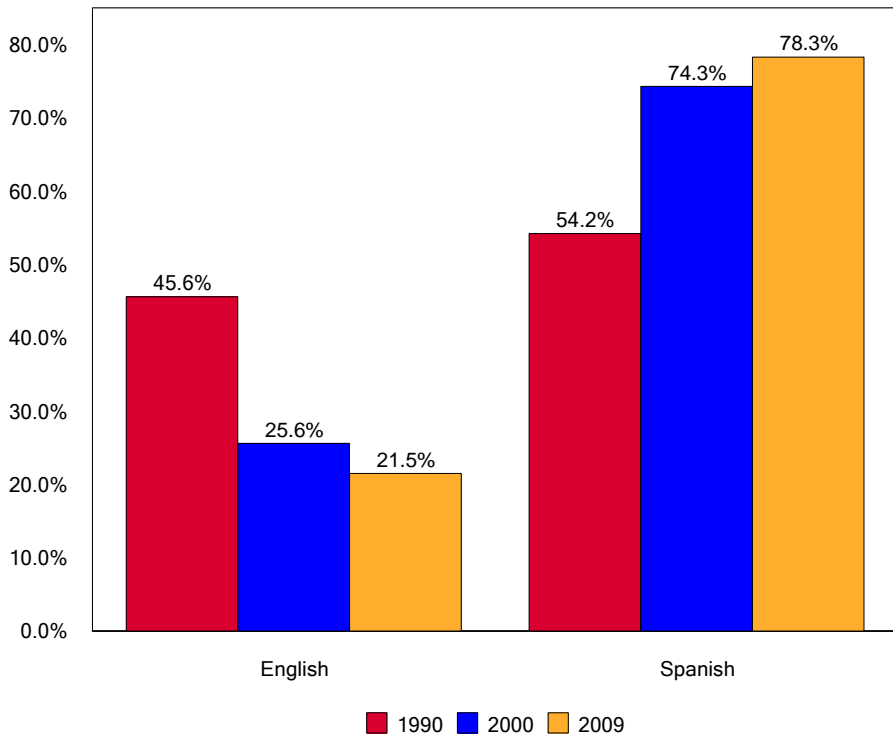


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Citizenship Status among Mexicans in New York, 1990 - 2009

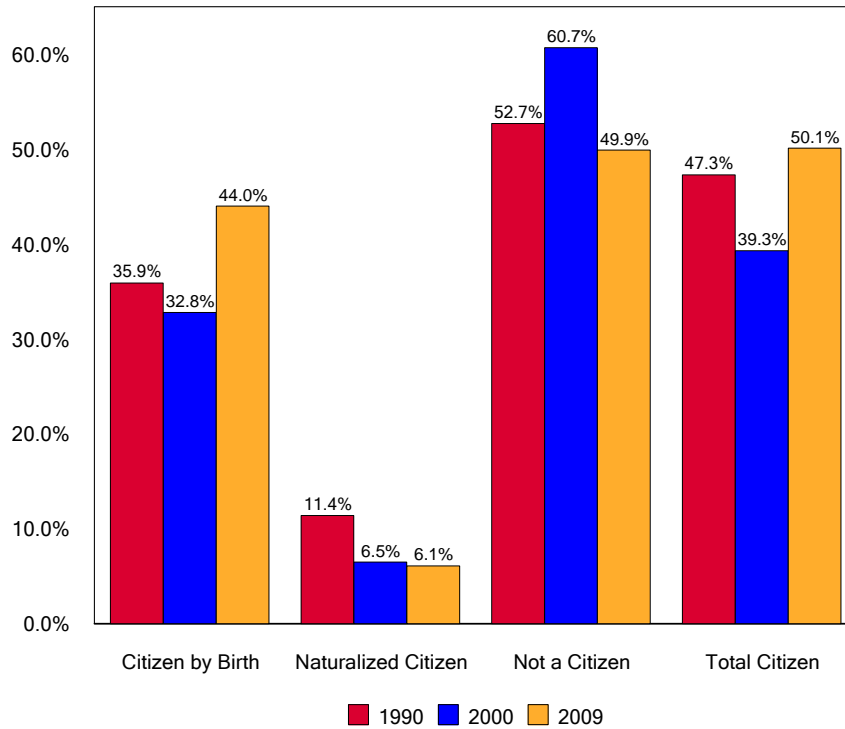


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Mexicans as Percentage of Latino and Total Electorate in New York, 1990 - 2009
(citizens 18 years of age and older)

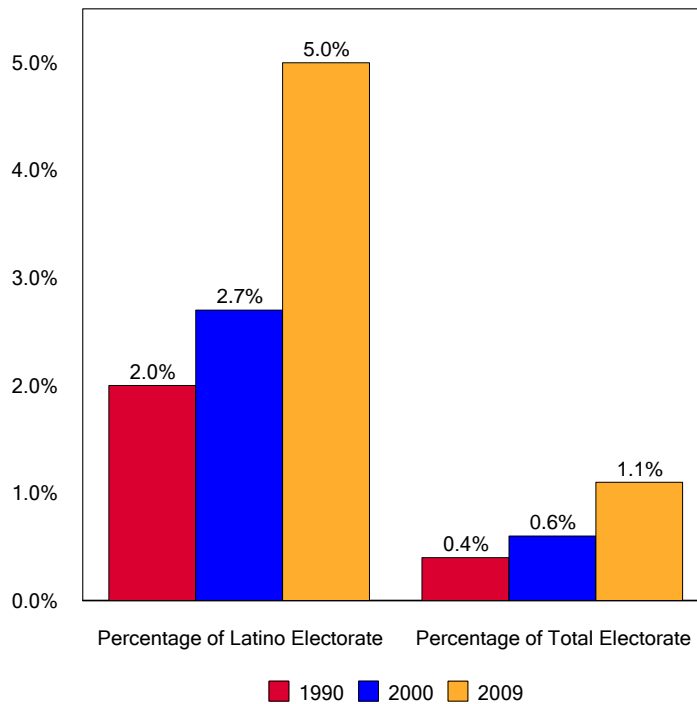


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Health Insurance Coverage Among Mexicans in New York, 2009

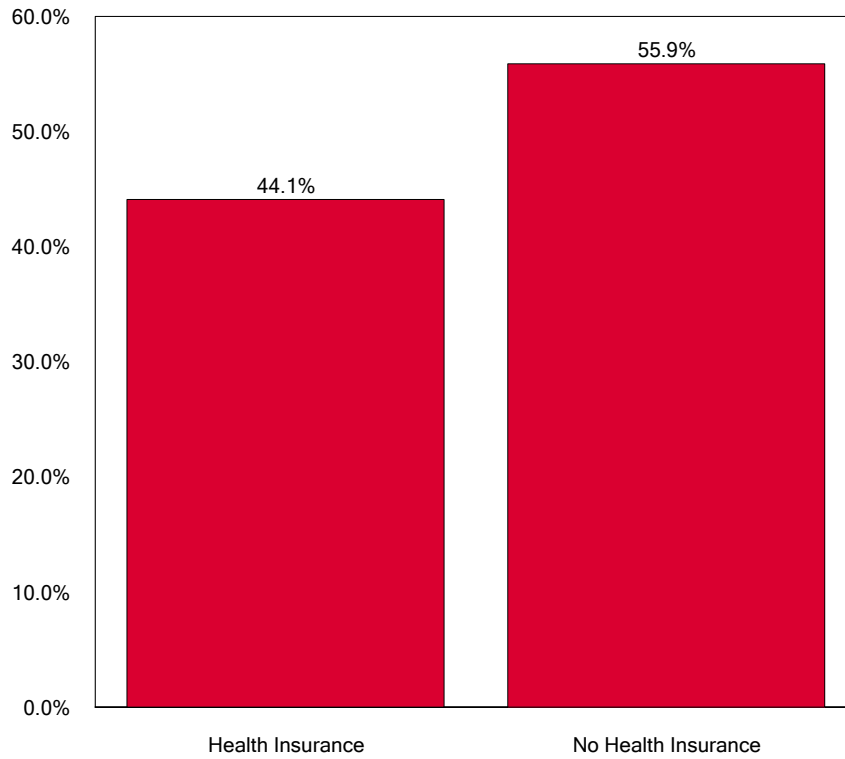


Figure 29
Health Insurance Coverage Among Mexicans by Nativity in New York, 2009

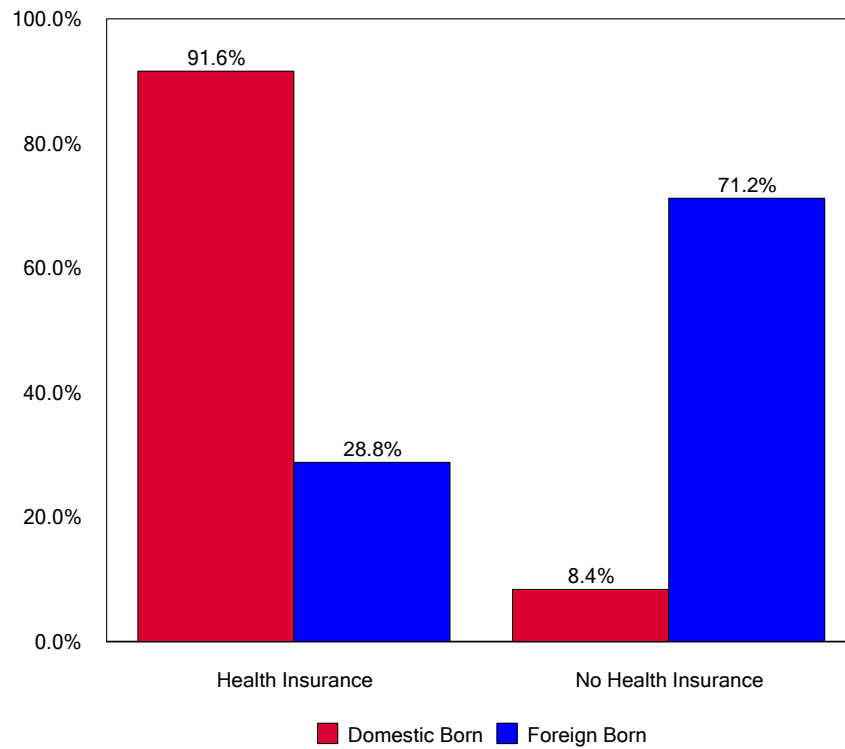


Figure 30
Health Insurance Coverage Among Mexicans by Sex in New York, 2009

