

Washington LGBTQ+ Survey: Safety, Hate Crimes, and Incarceration



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Overview

- LGBTQ+ identity and safety
- LGBTQ+ community connections
- Incarceration and related experiences

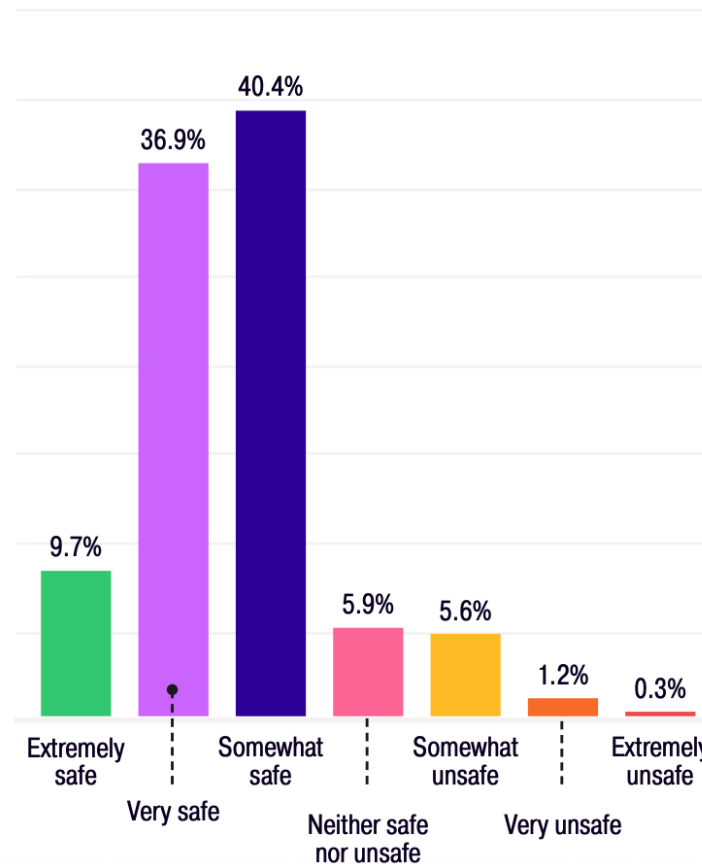
LGBTQ+ Identity and Safety



Perceived safety

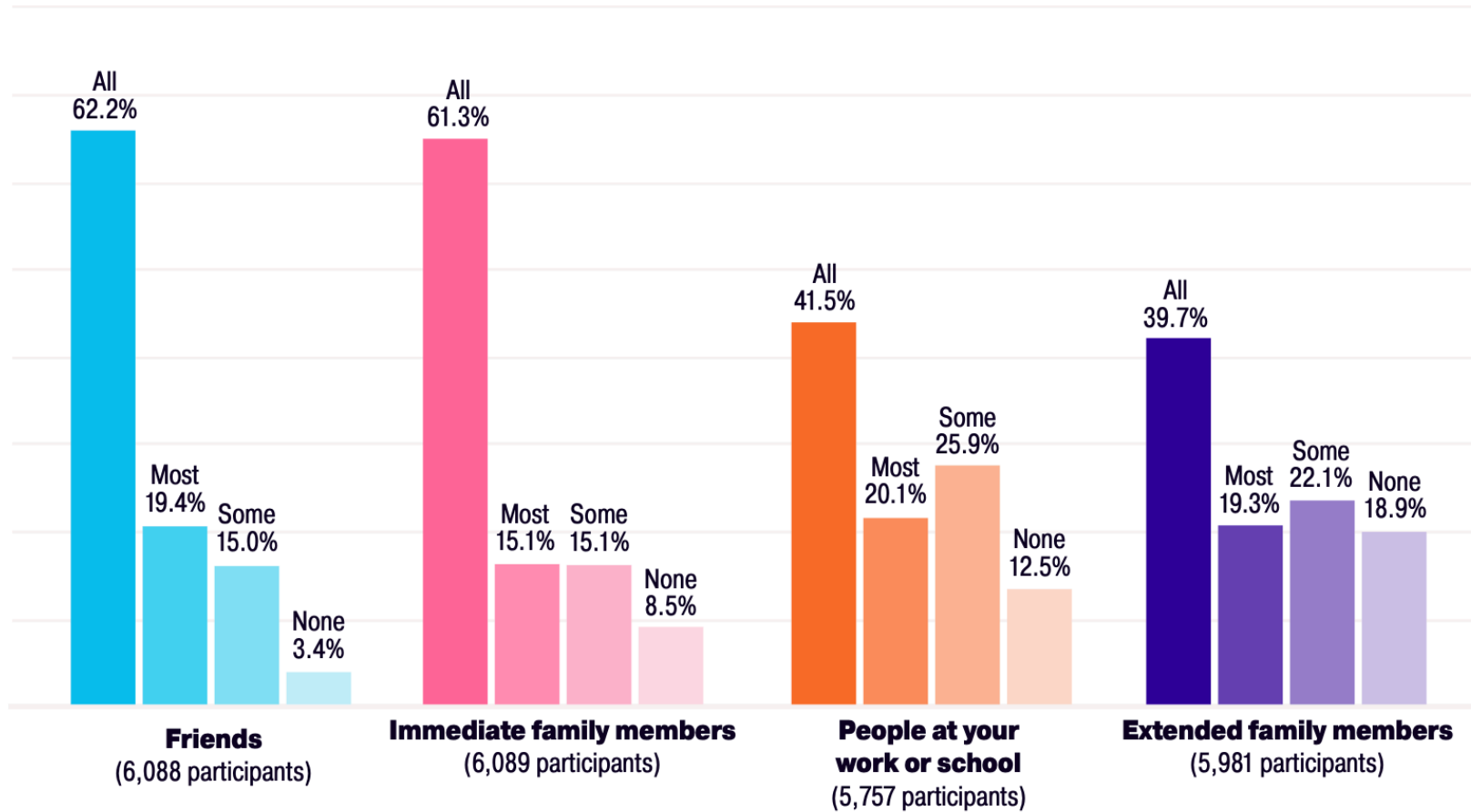
How safe do you feel as an LGBTQ+ person in the state of Washington?

(6,187 participants)



Outness

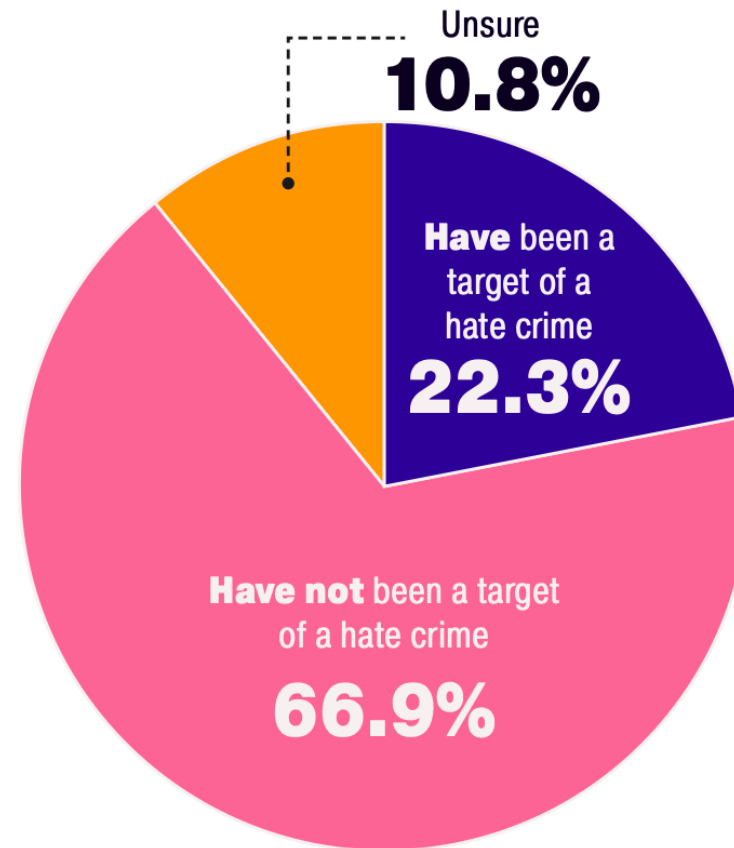
Are you out (or open about your LGBTQ+ identity) to:



Hate crime victimization

While living in Washington, have you ever been a target of a hate crime?

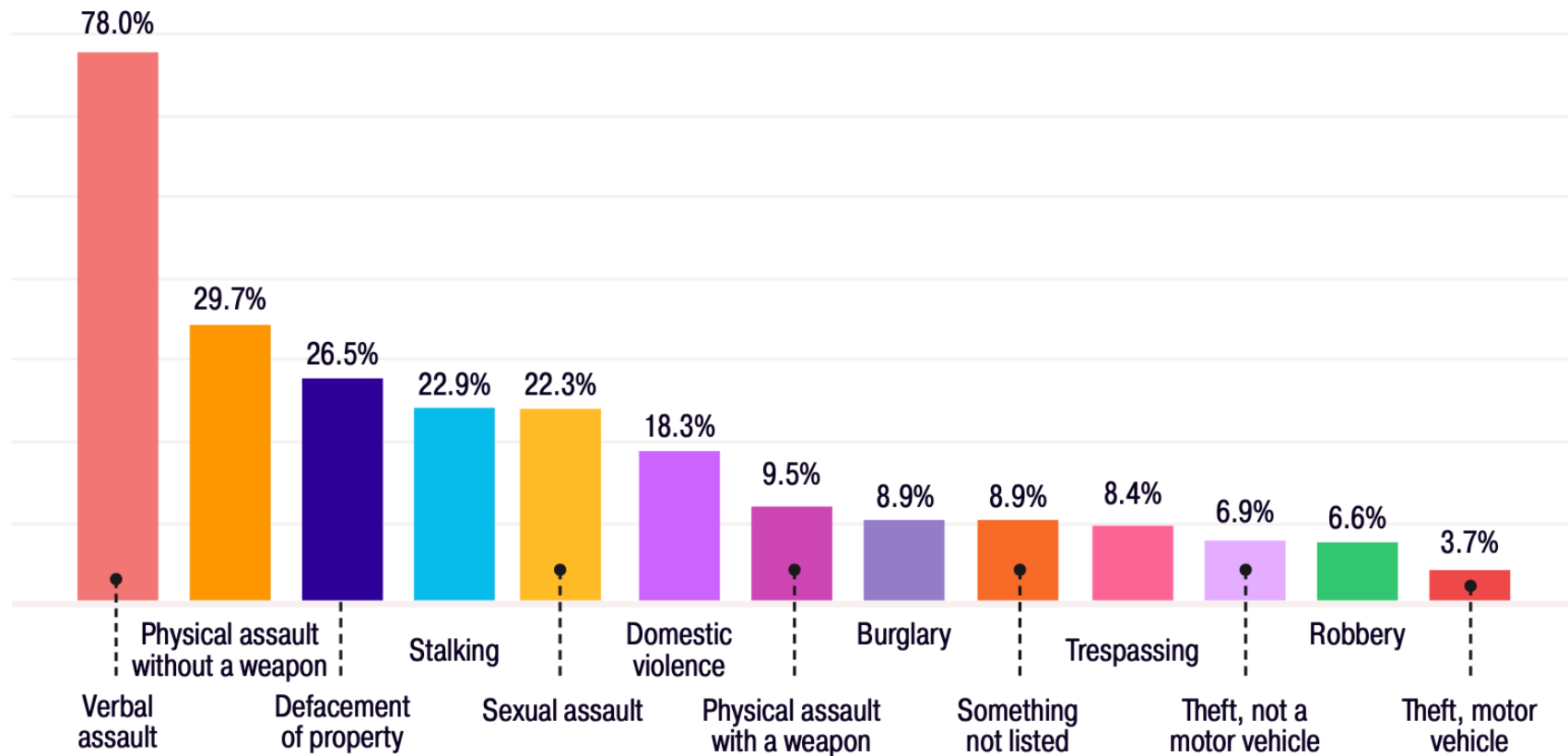
(1,880 participants)



Hate crimes experienced

Which hate crimes you have experienced while living in Washington?

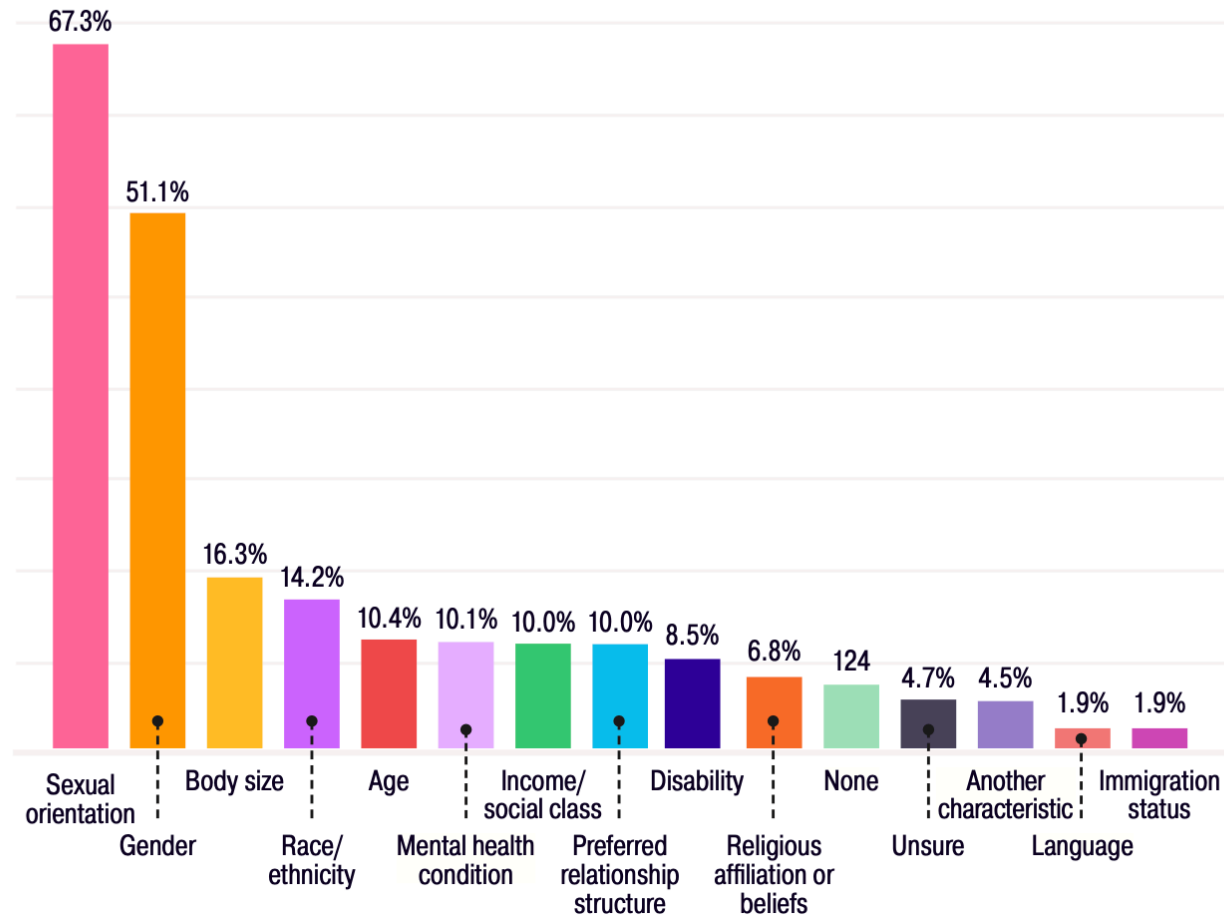
(2,045 participants)



Identities prompting hate crime

What do you think motivated the actions of the offender?

(2,040 participants)



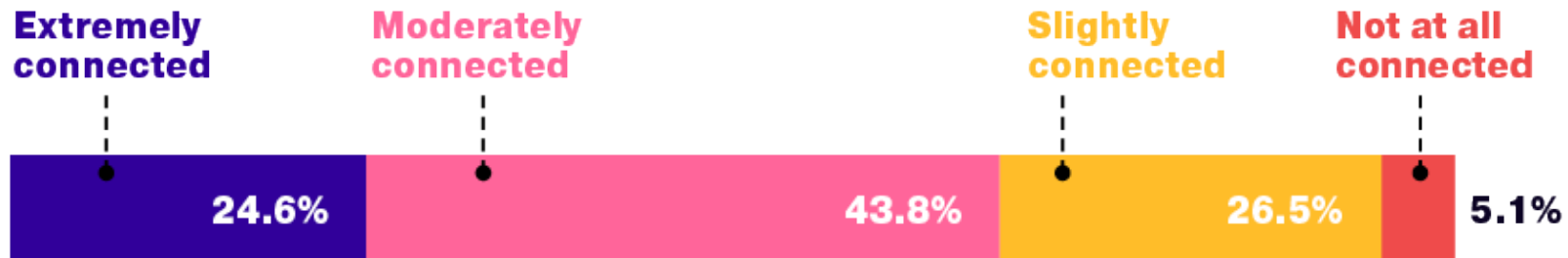
LGBTQ+ Community Connections



Connectedness to community

To what extent do you feel connected to an LGBTQ+ community in Washington?

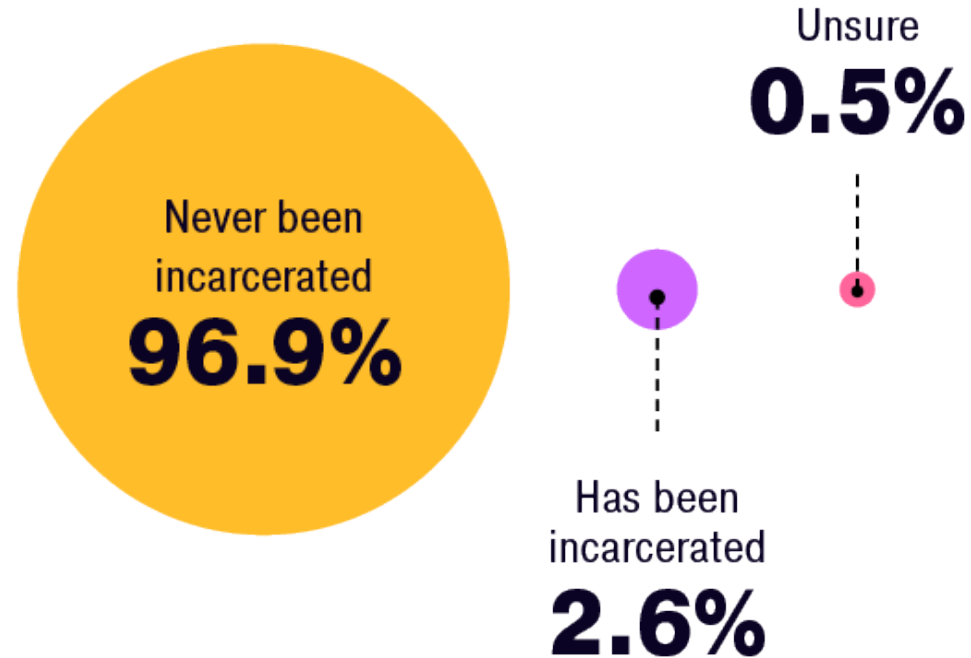
(6,659 participants)



Incarceration and Related Experiences

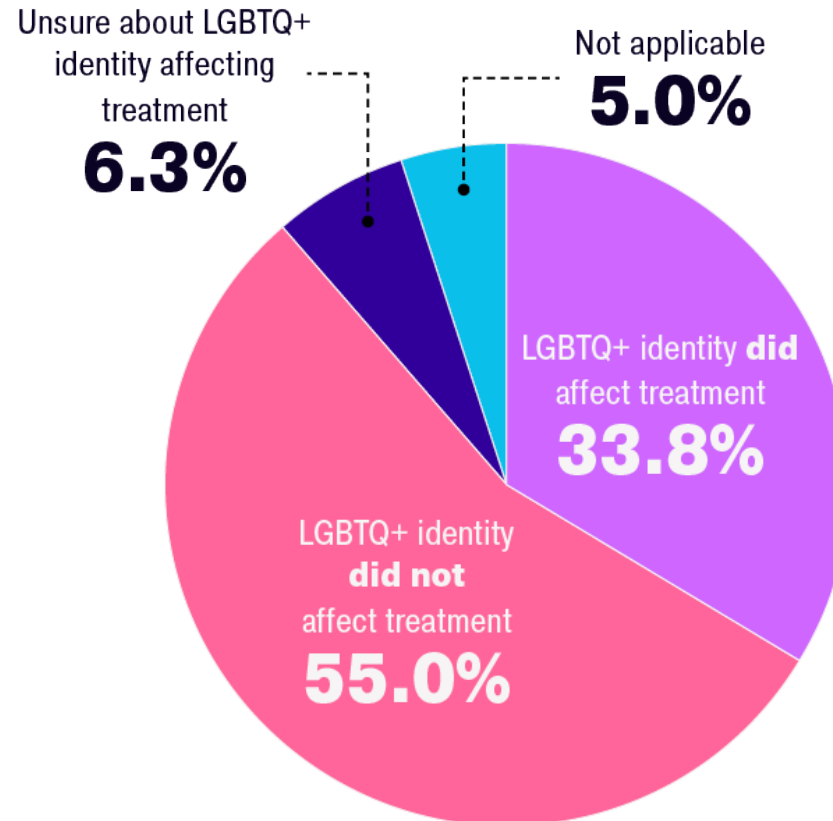
Prior incarceration

Have you ever been incarcerated in
Washington?
(6,056 participants)



Treatment by others

Did your LGBTQ+ identity negatively affect your treatment by other inmates or personnel while incarcerated?
(160 participants)



Treatment by others

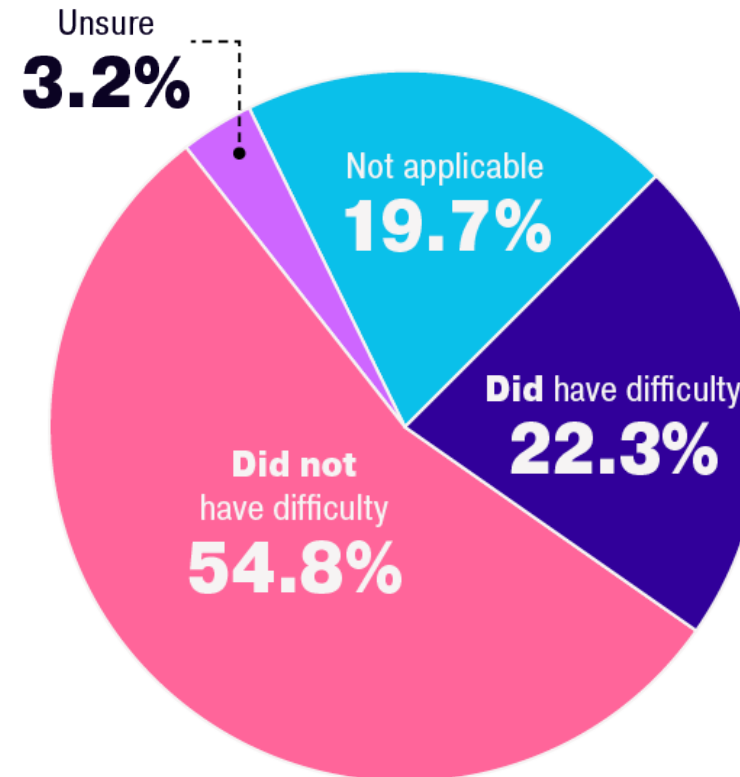
Did your LGBTQ+ identity negatively affect your treatment by other inmates or personnel while incarcerated?
(67 participants)

Negative experience	67.2%
Witnessed or experienced mistreatment by other incarcerated individuals	41.8%
Experienced mistreatment by staff	14.9%
Incarcerated in wrong-gender area	7.5%
Staff weren't educated/trained	3.0%
Neutral experience	32.8%
Wasn't 'out' as LGBTQ+	14.9%
Treated the same	9.0%
Wasn't in long enough to experience anything negative	9.0%



Healthcare experiences

Did you have difficulty receiving health care
that affirmed your LGBTQ+ identity while
incarcerated?
(157 participants)



Healthcare experiences

**Did you have difficulty receiving healthcare
that affirmed your LGBTQ+ identity while
incarcerated?**
(80 participants)

Didn't experience difficulties	68.7%
No issue with healthcare	33.7%
Didn't need healthcare while incarcerated	27.5%
Wasn't out at the time	7.5%
Experienced difficulties	31.2%
General healthcare concerns	7.5%
Limited access to gender-affirming care	6.2%
Mistreated by medical staff	6.2%
Staff was unknowledgeable	5.0%
Treatment was delayed	3.7%
Confidentiality concerns	2.5%



Intersectional Analyses

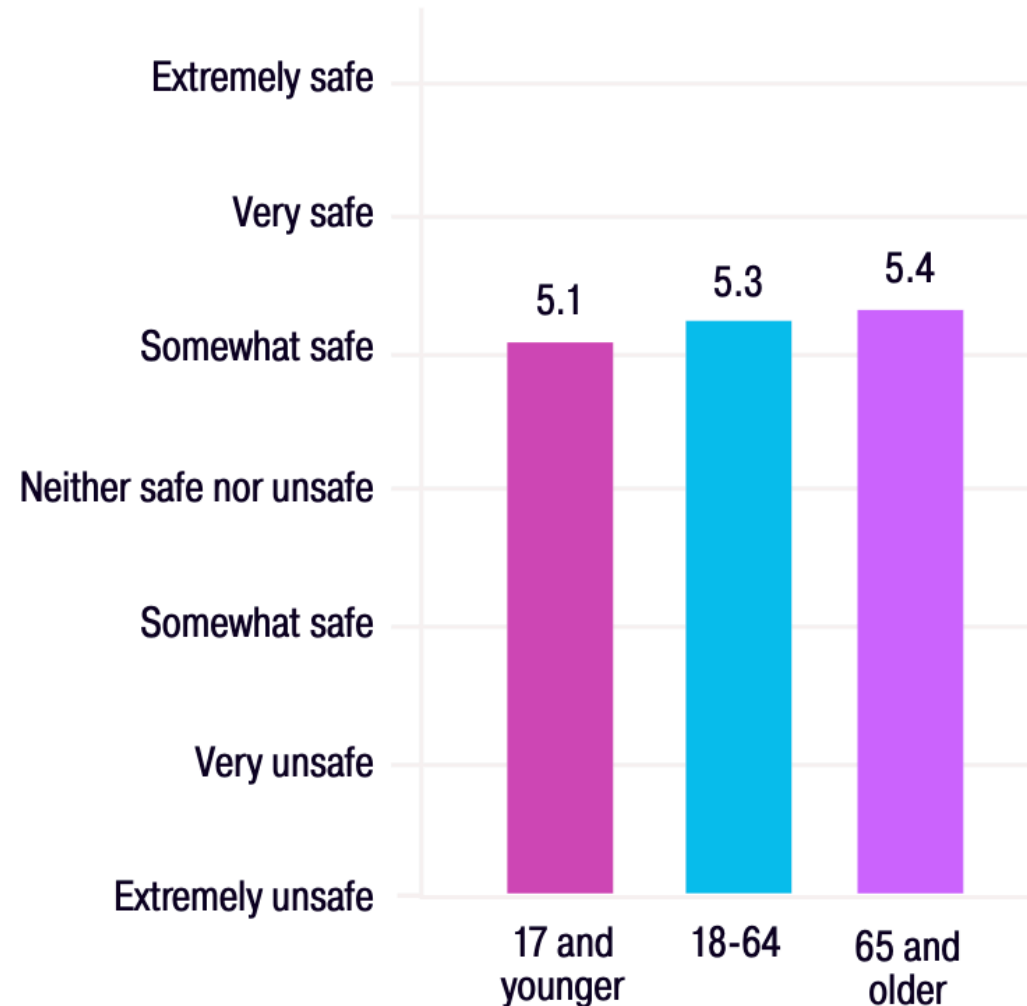


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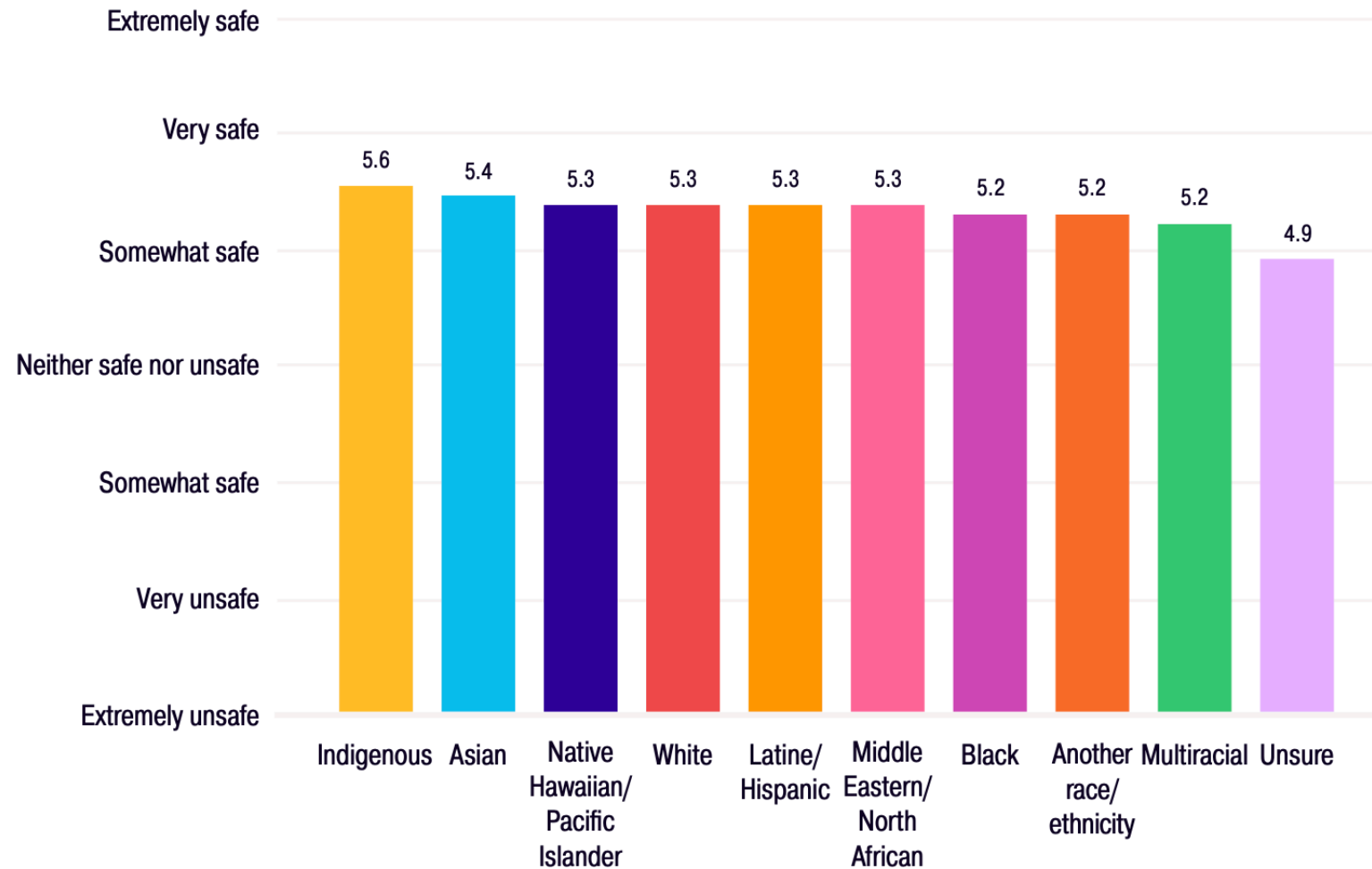
Perceived safety x age

**How safe do you feel as an LGBTQ+ person
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(6,104 participants)



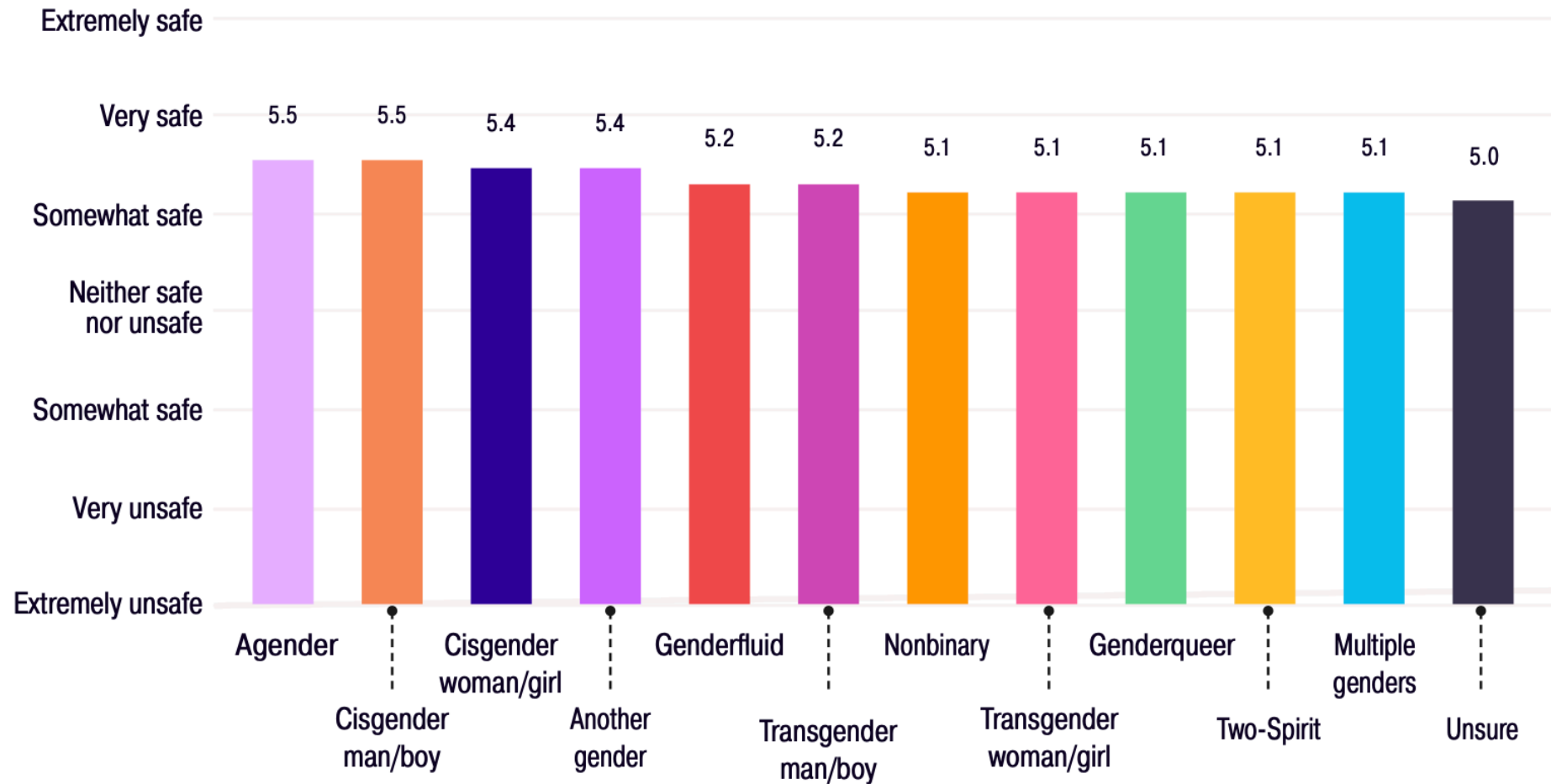
Perceived safety x race/ethnicity



(6,132 participants)



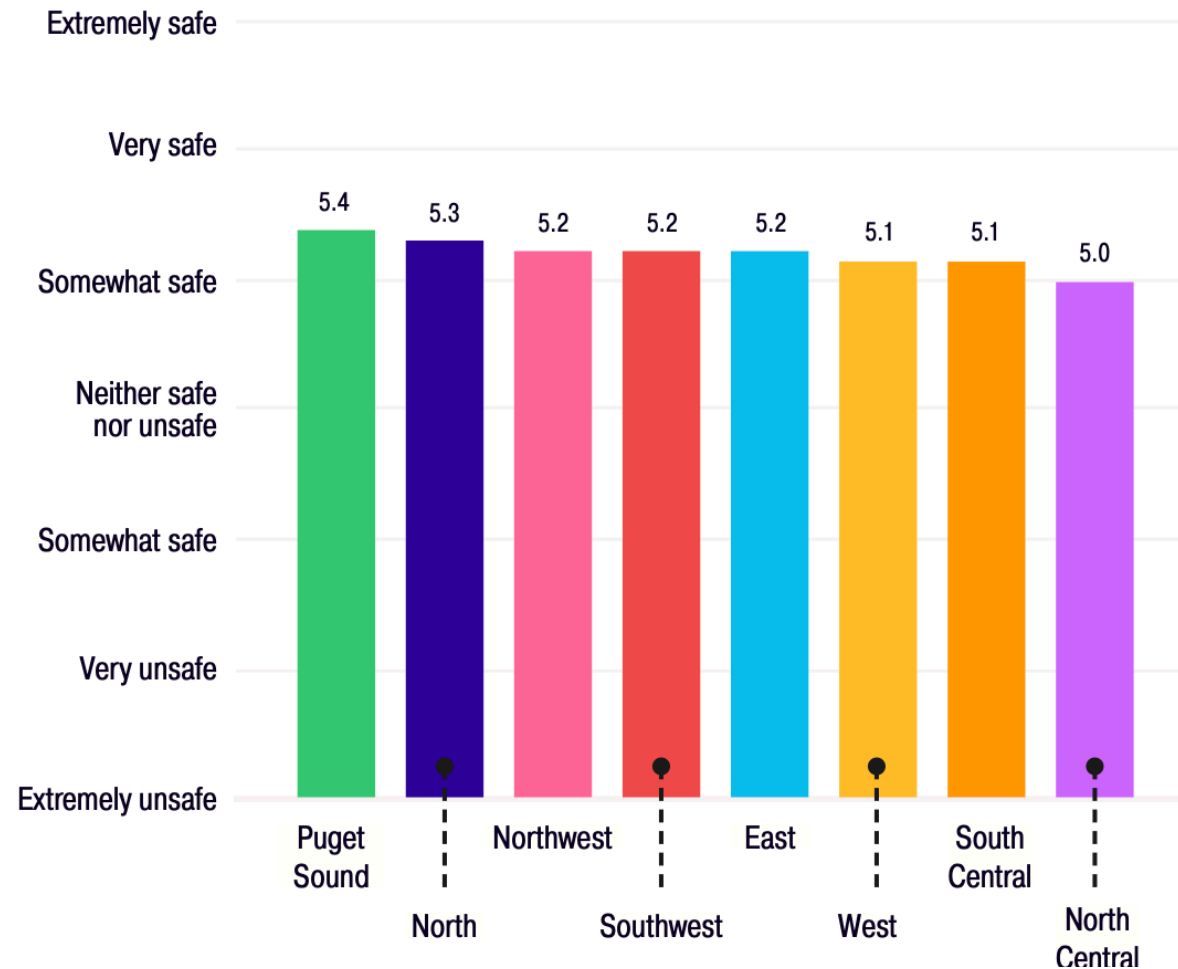
Perceived safety x gender



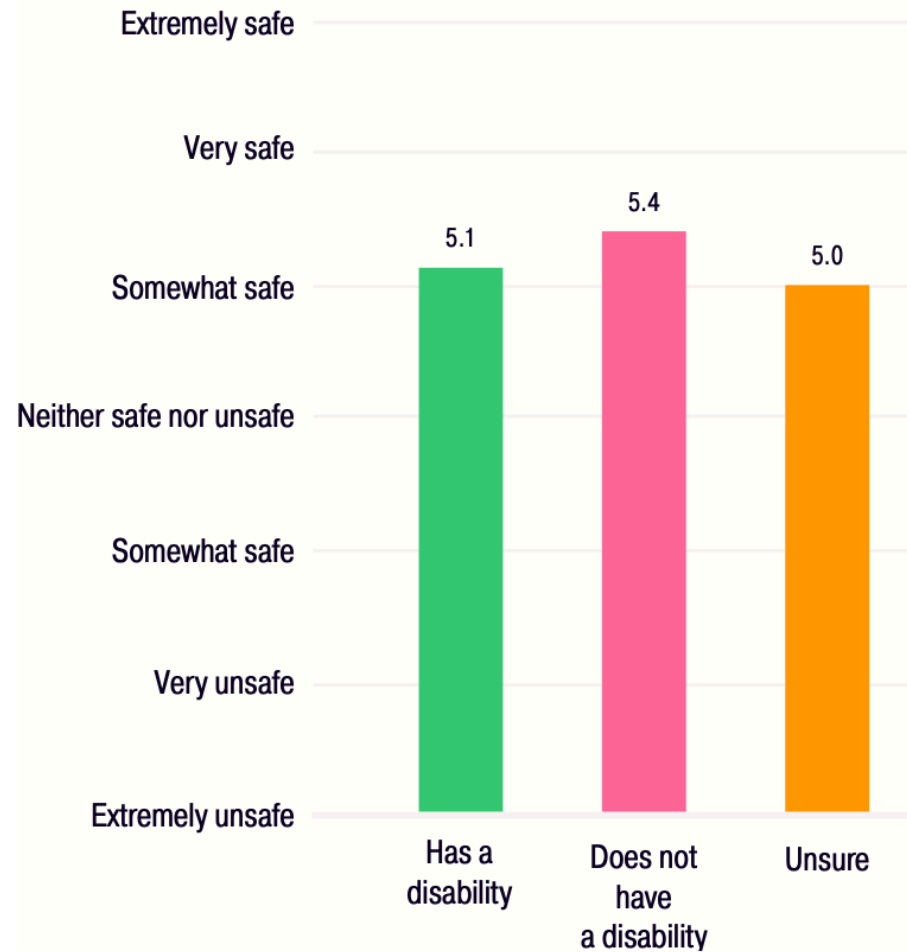
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Perceived safety x region



Perceived safety x disability



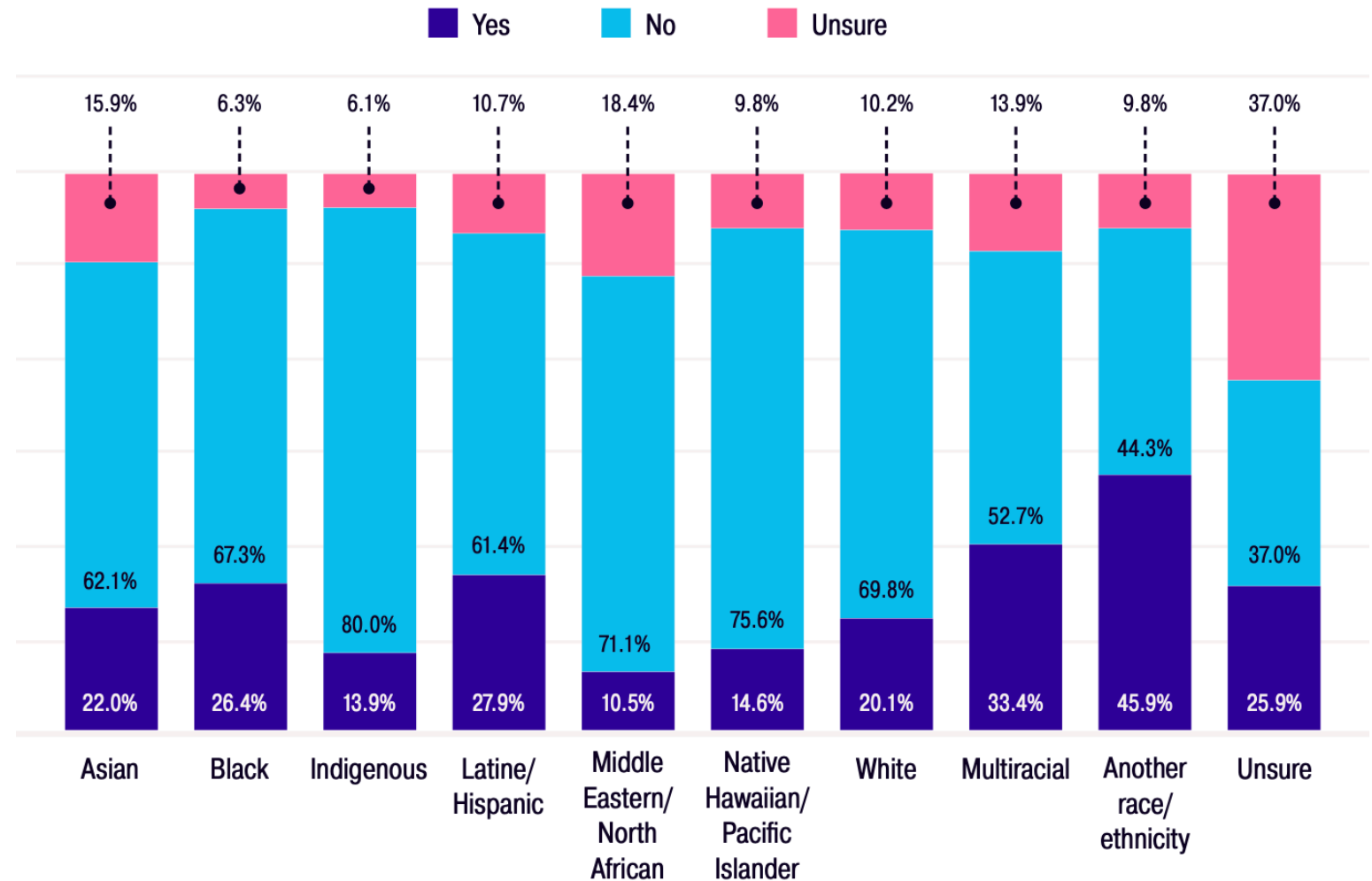
(6,142 participants)



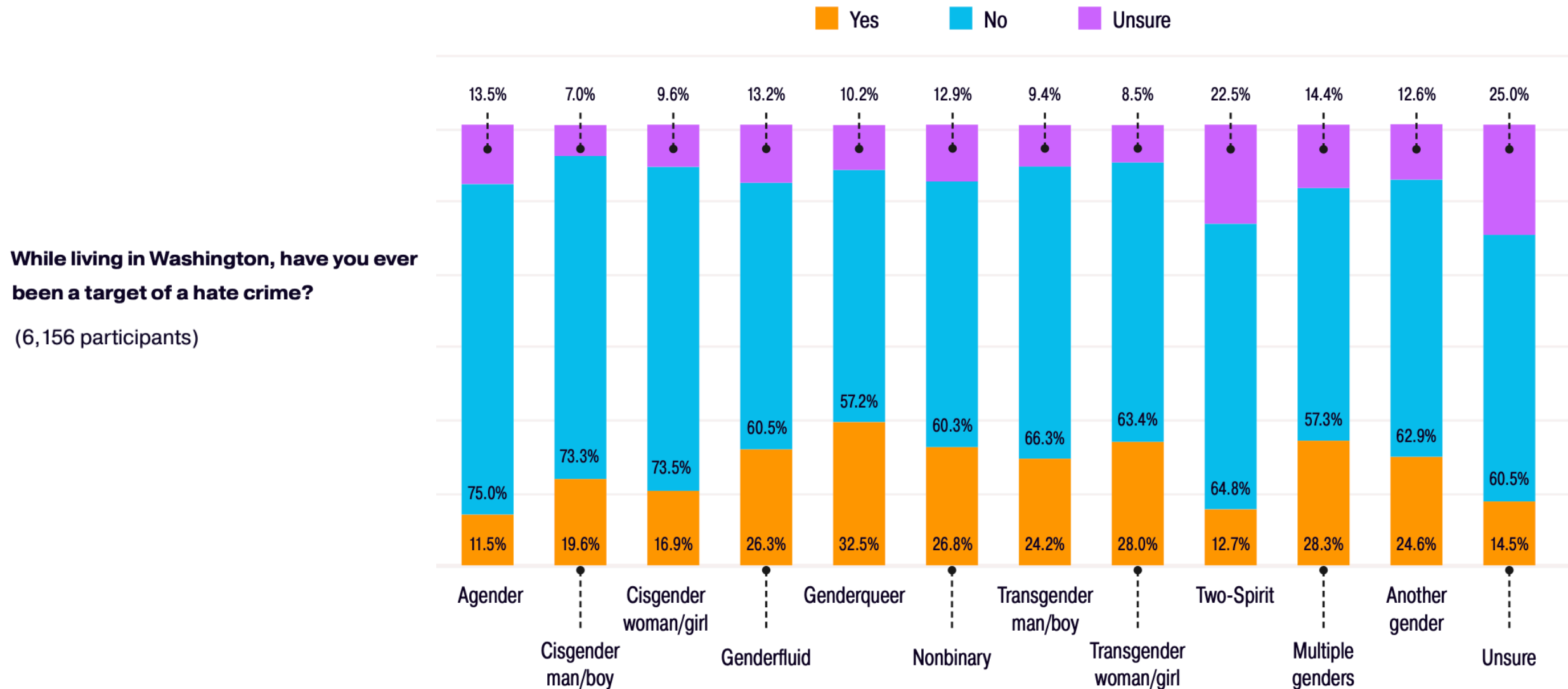
Hate crime victimization x race/ethnicity

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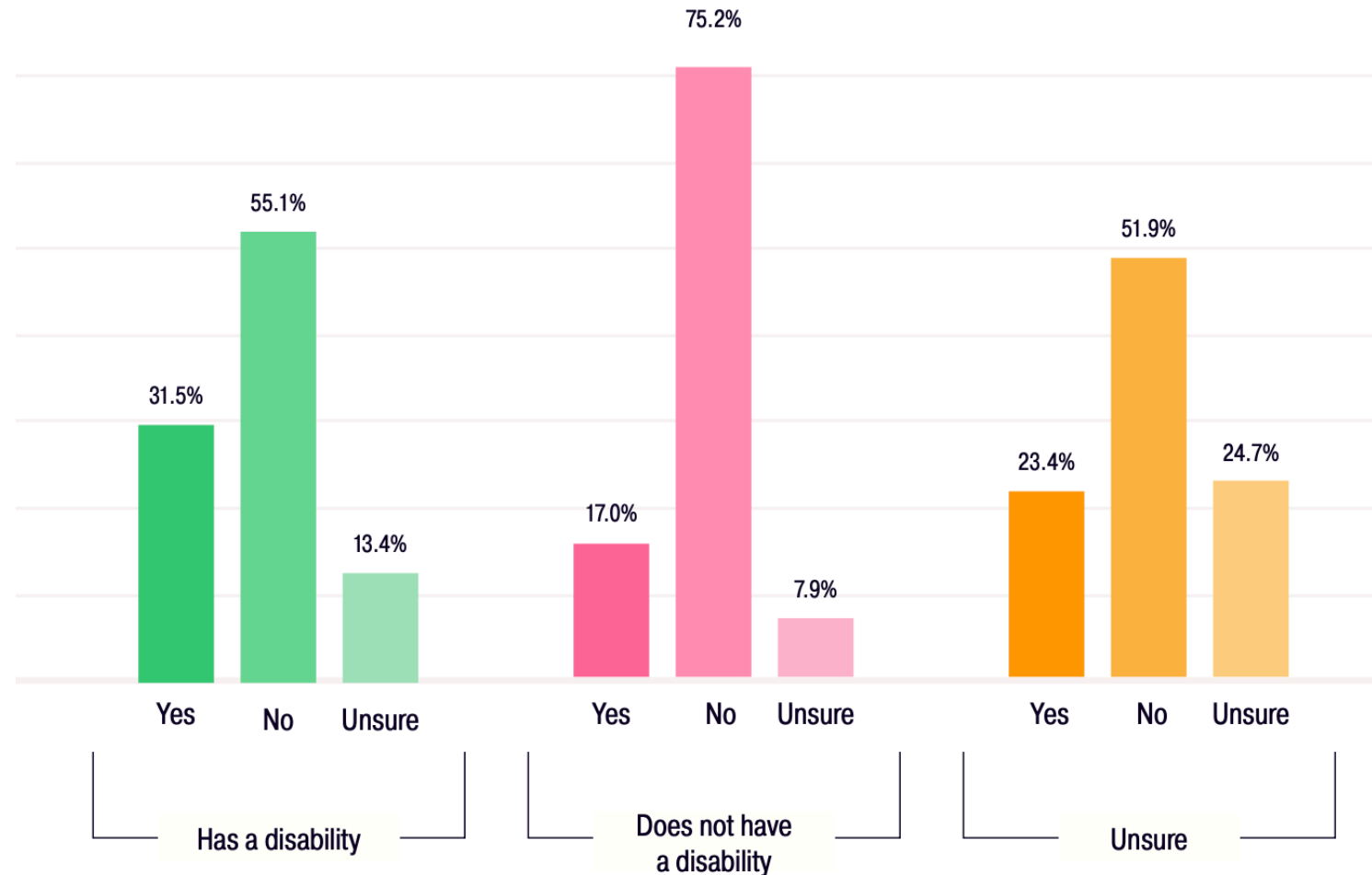
(6,130 participants)



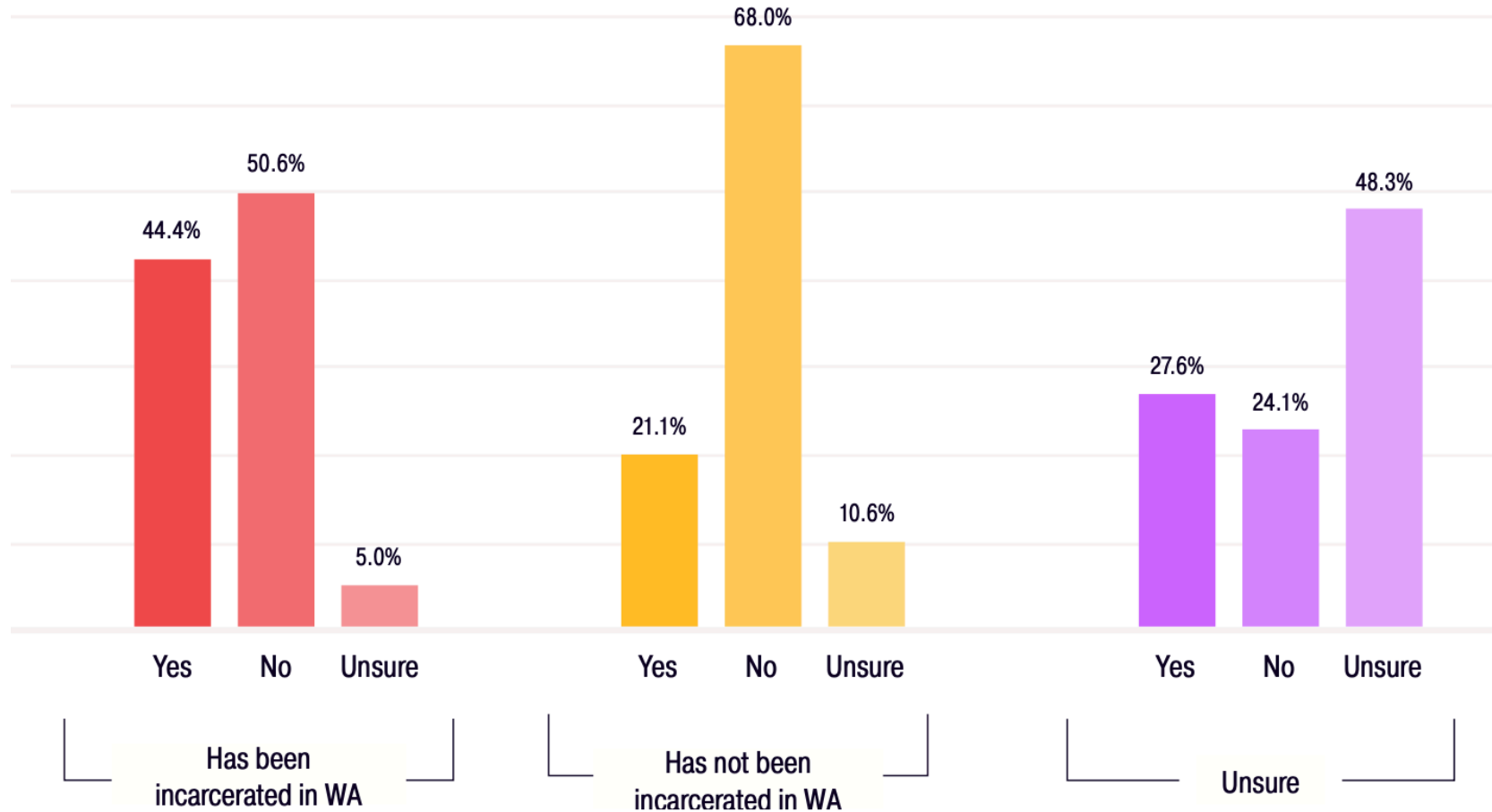
Hate crime victimization x gender



Hate crime victimization x disability



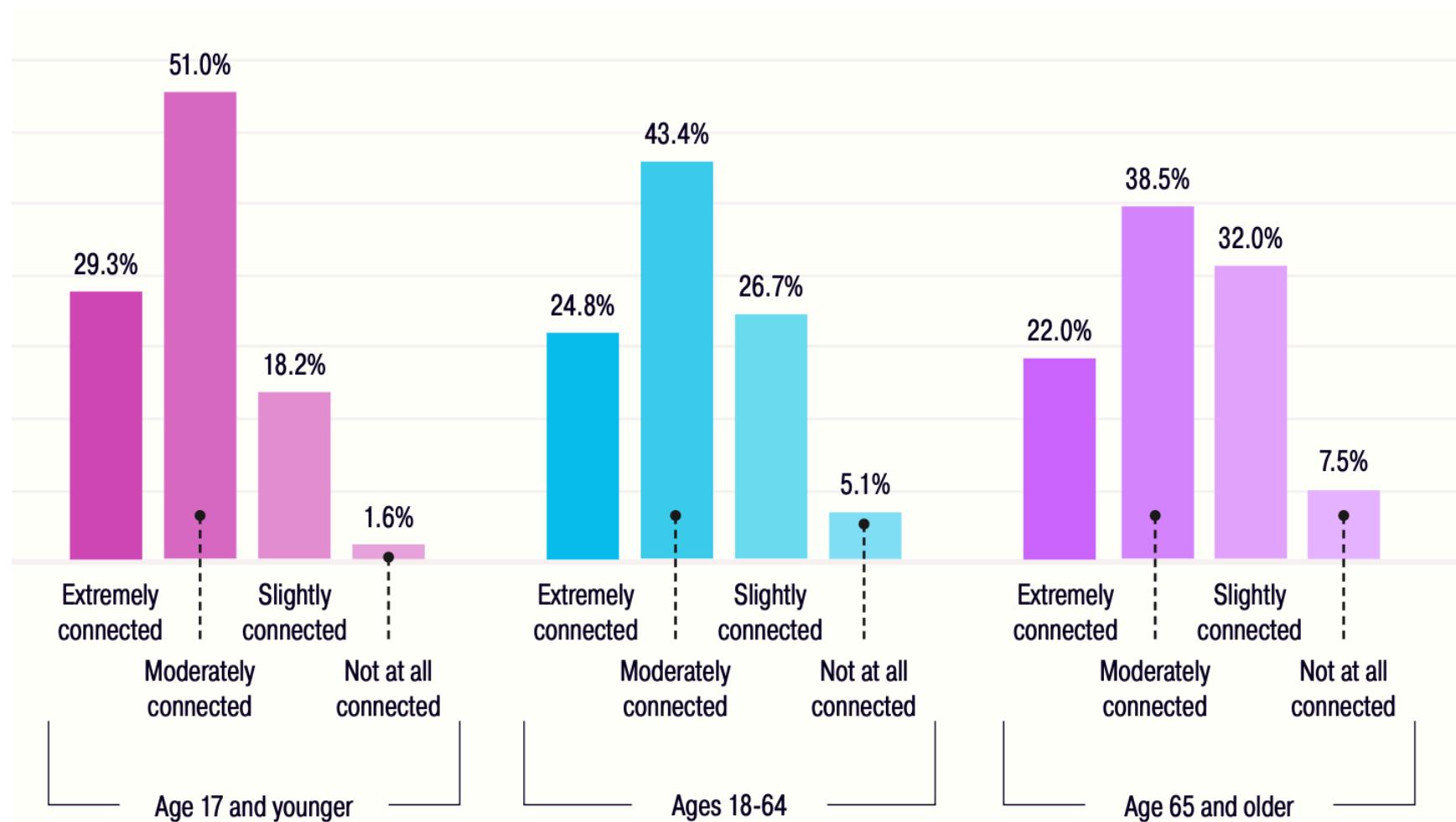
Hate crime victimization x prior incarceration



Community connectedness x age

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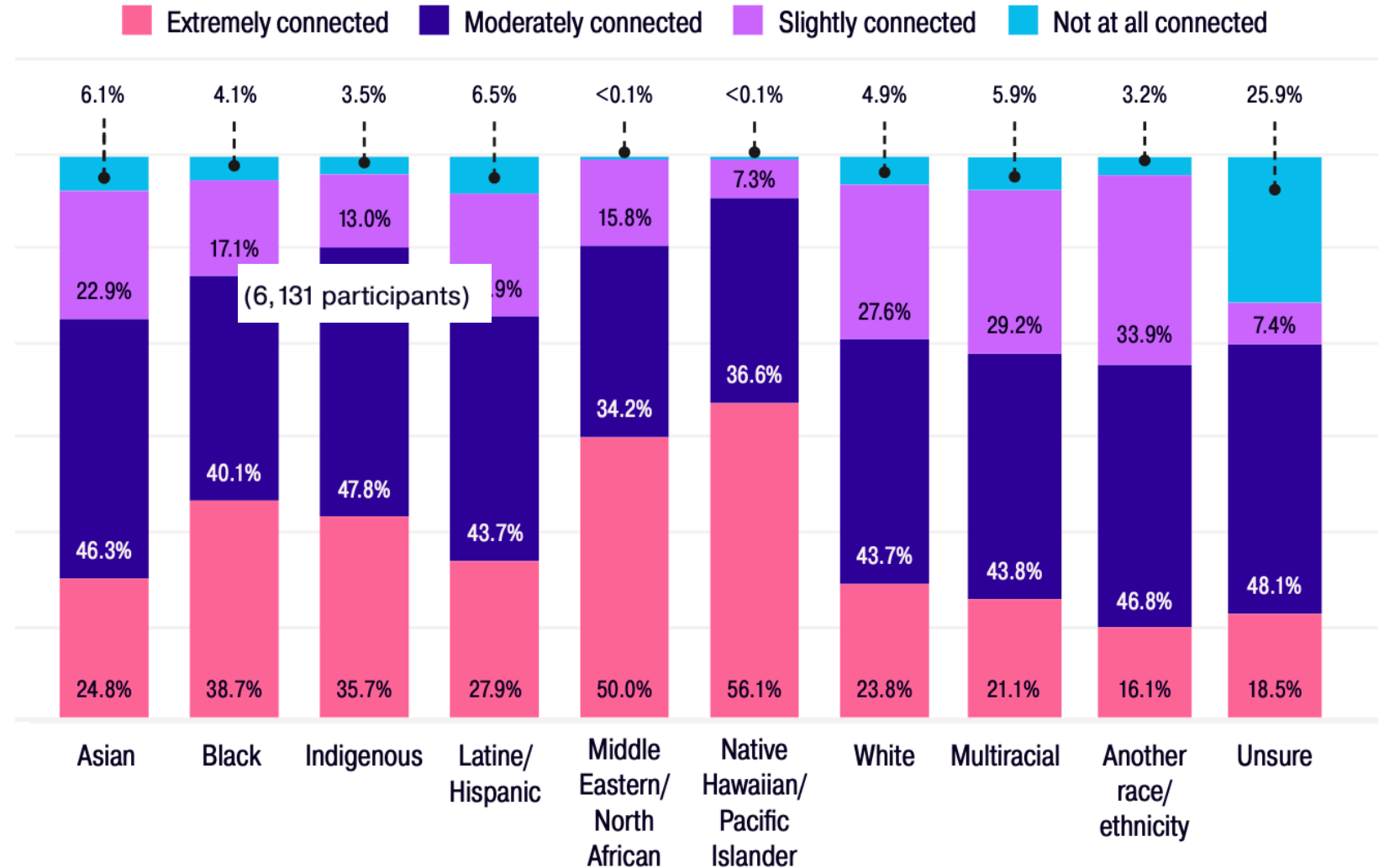
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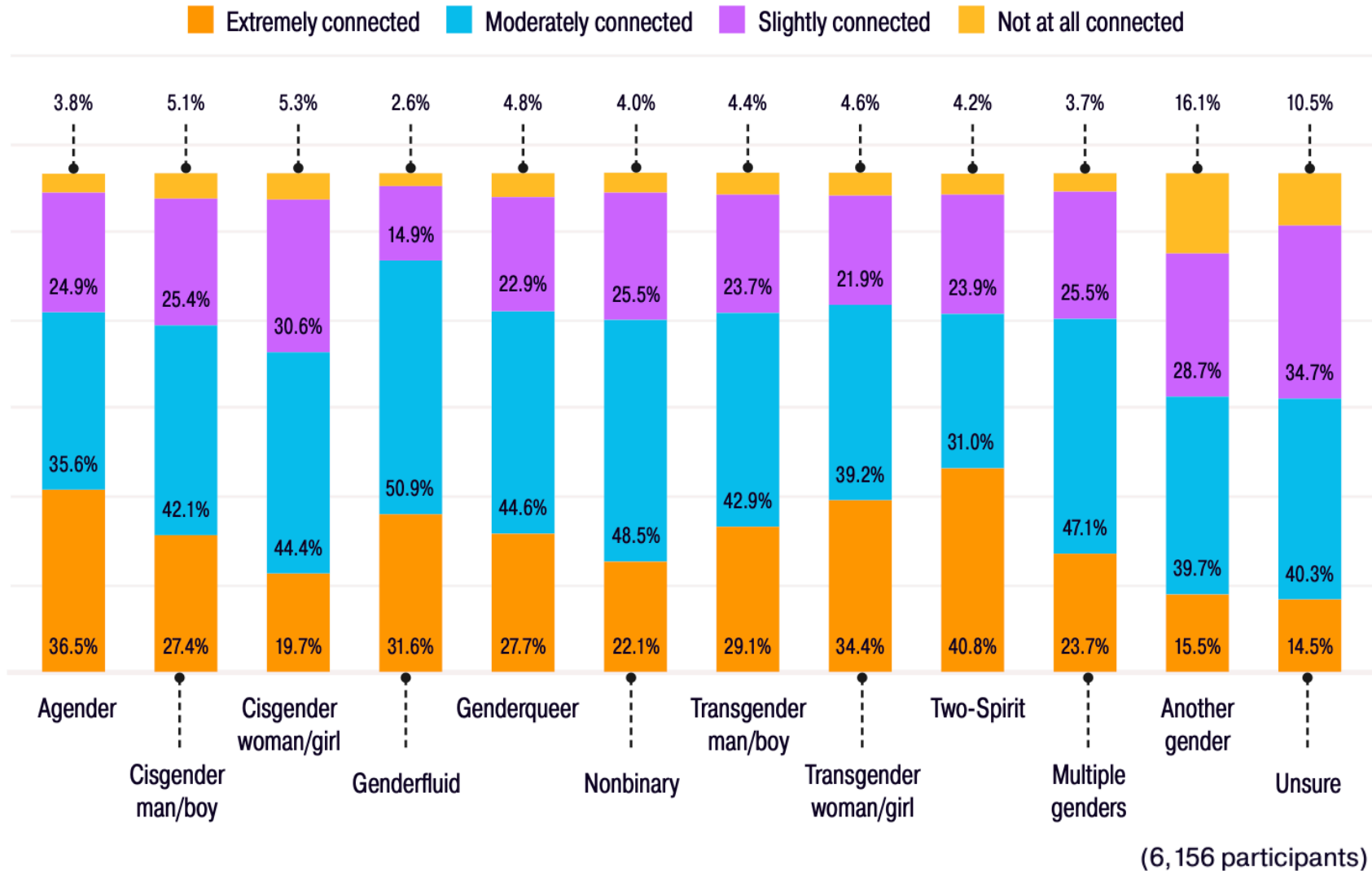
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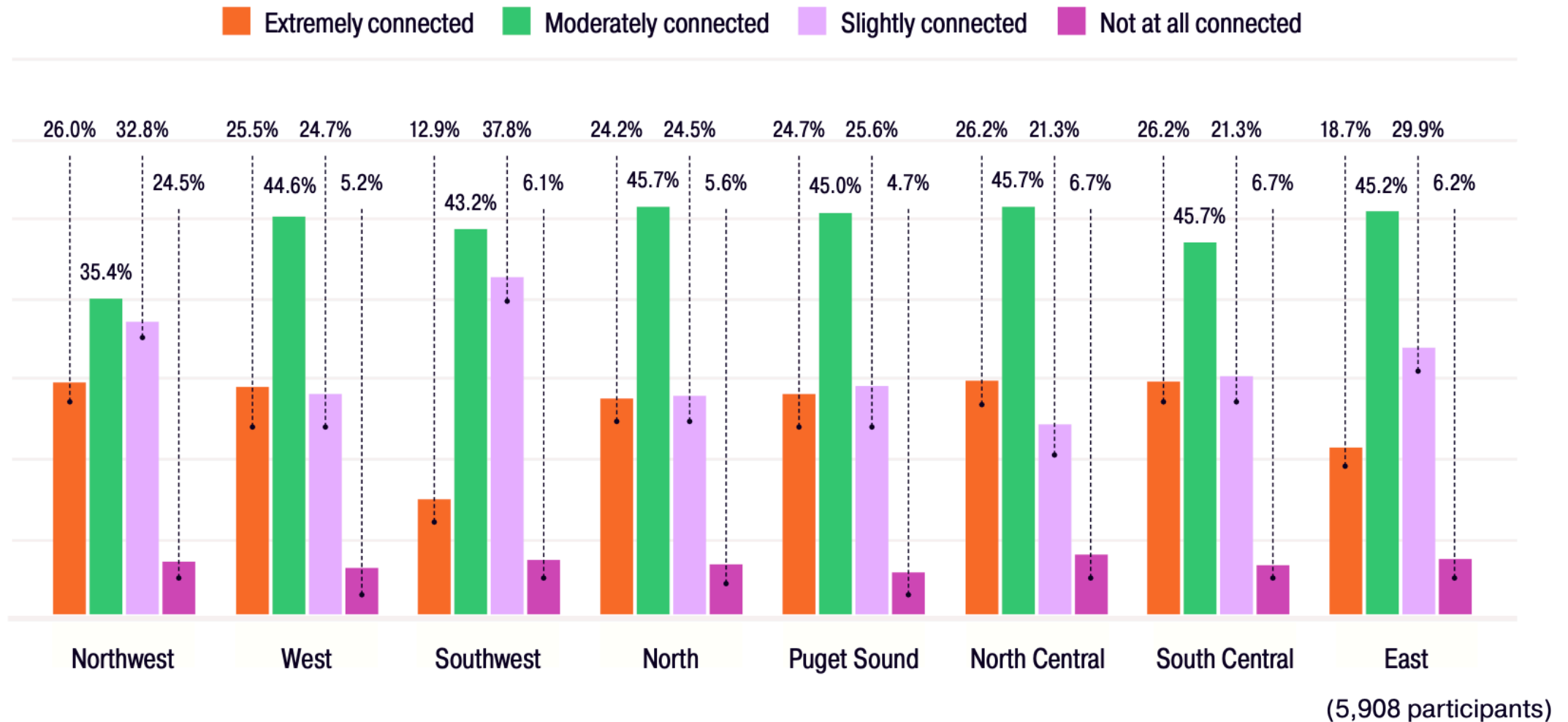
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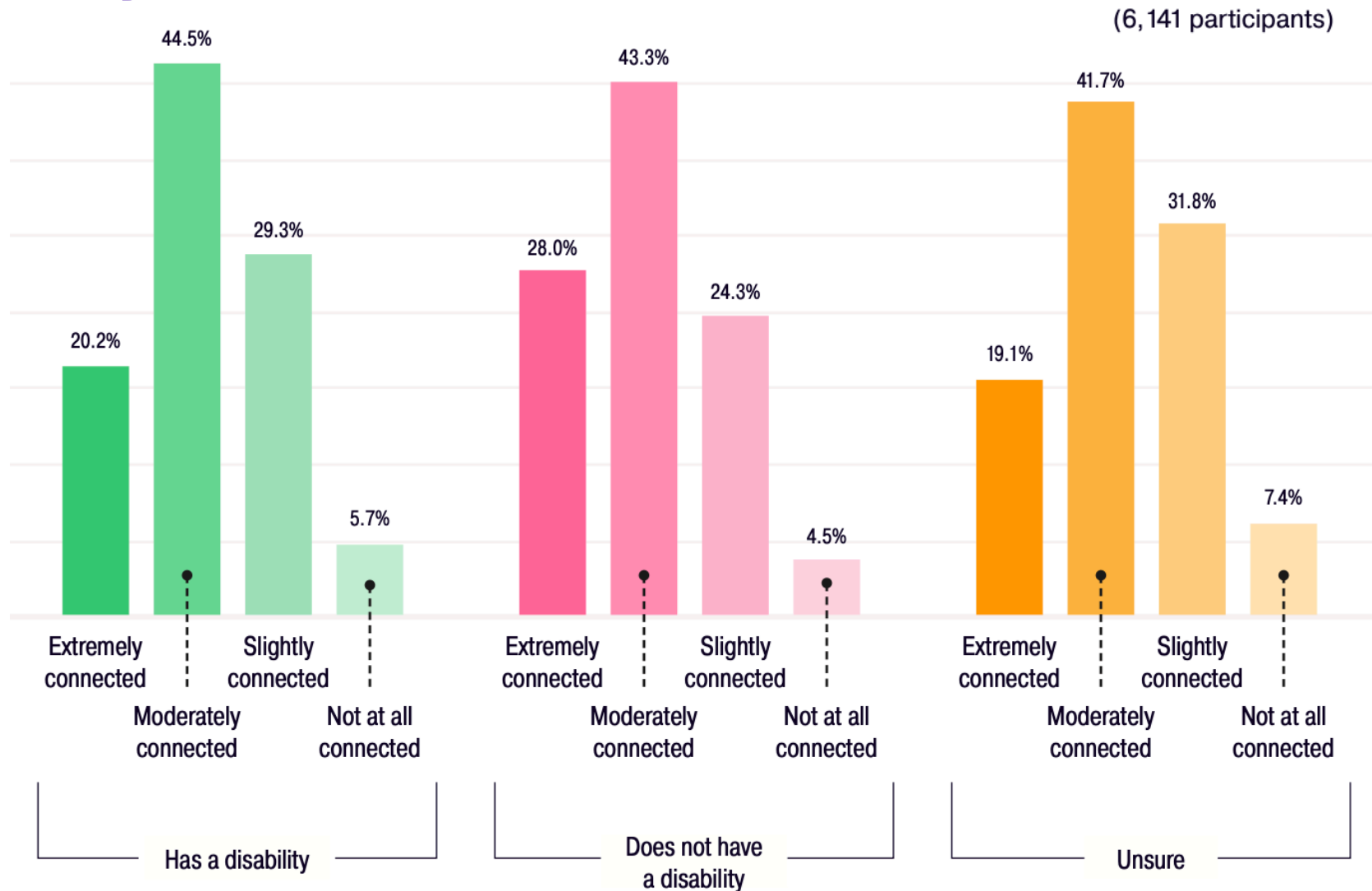
Community connectedness x gender



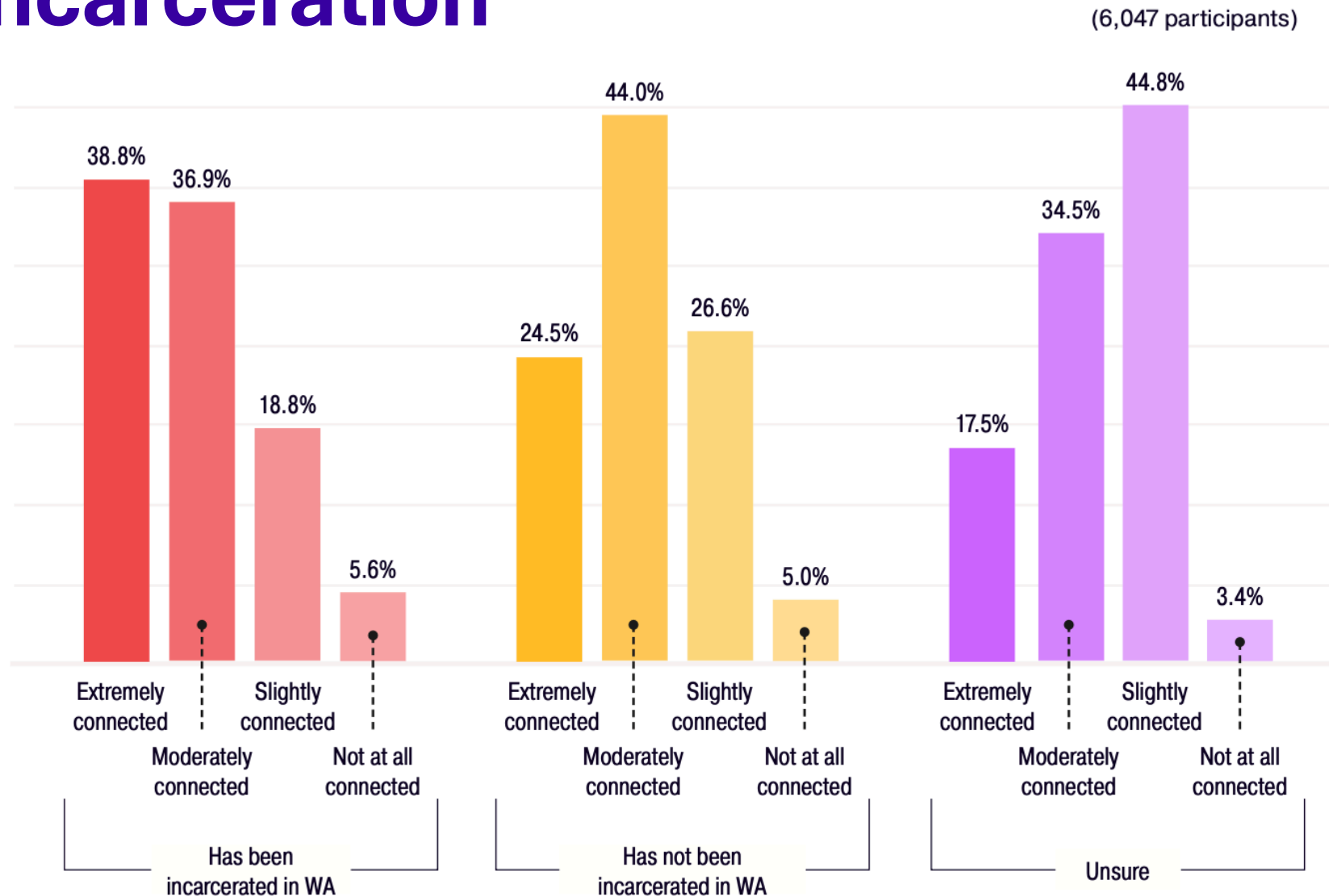
Community connectedness x region



Community connectedness x disability



Community connectedness x prior incarceration



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