

Foster Care in North Carolina

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- ❑ Based on 2010 CFSR Data Indicators, we are doing good on:
 - Reentries to care (lowest in country)
 - Placement stability (best in country on two indicators)
 - Recurrence of maltreatment



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- ❑ Based on 2010 CFSR Data Indicators, we are not doing good on:
 - Reunification in 12 months
 - Median length of stay
 - Percentage of children discharged within 12 months
 - Percentage of children leaving who have been in care for more than three years



How are we doing?

- Based on 2010 CFSR Data Indicators, we could improve on:
 - Time to adoption

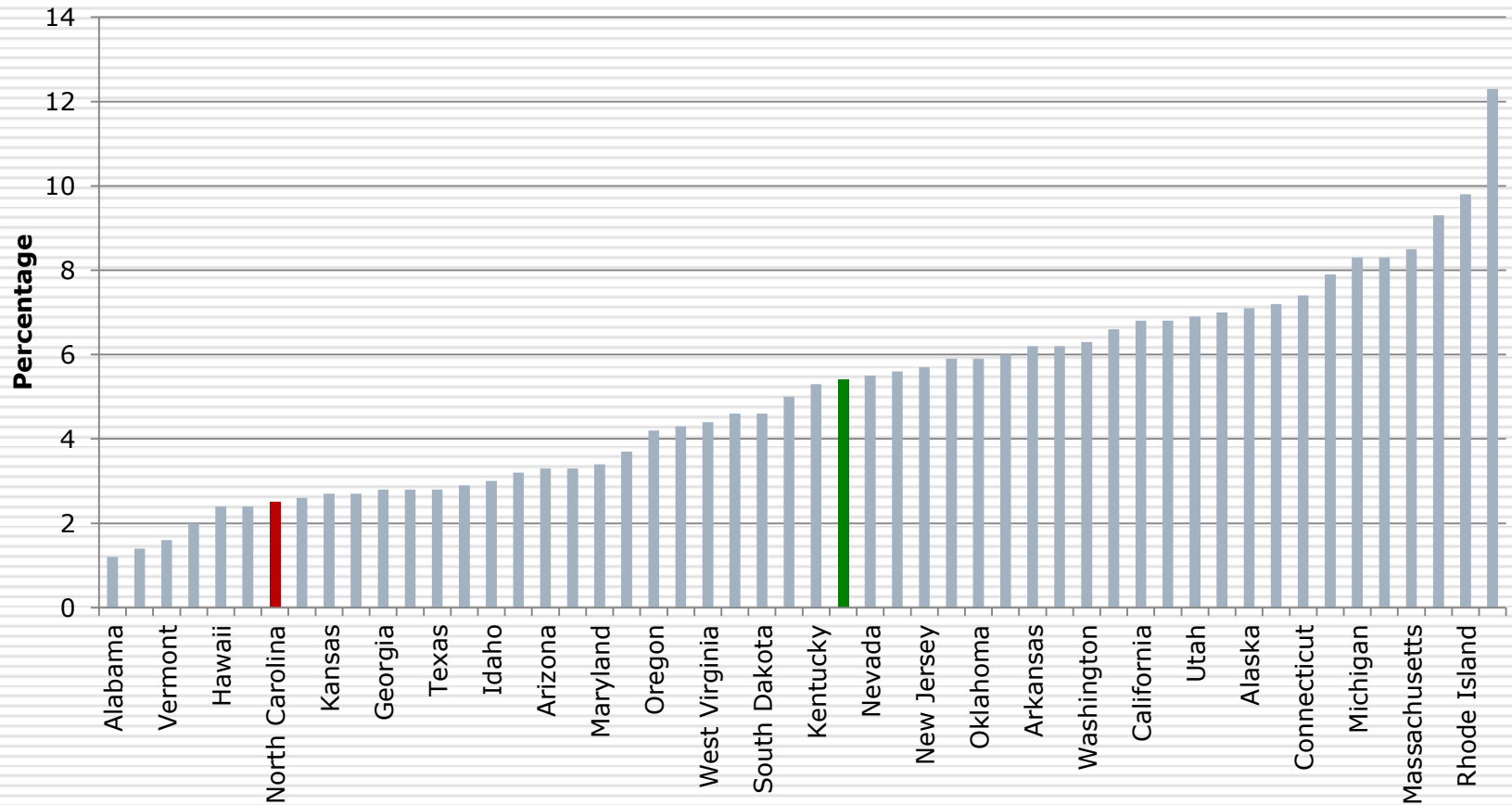


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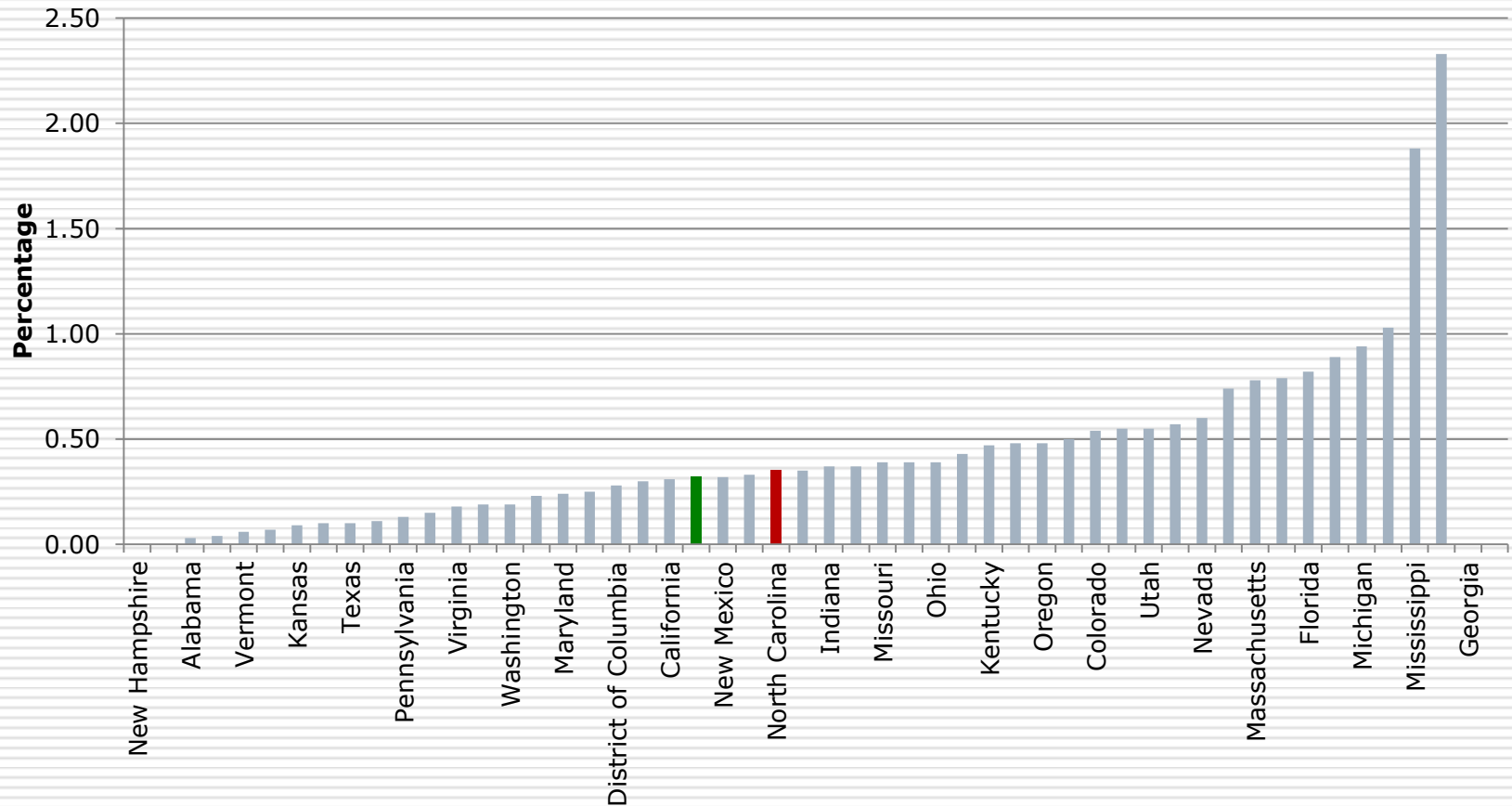
- ❑ On the following slide, North Carolina performance is shown with a red bar
- ❑ The federal standard is shown with a green bar



Absence of Recurrence of Maltreatment Within 6 Months of Leaving Foster Care



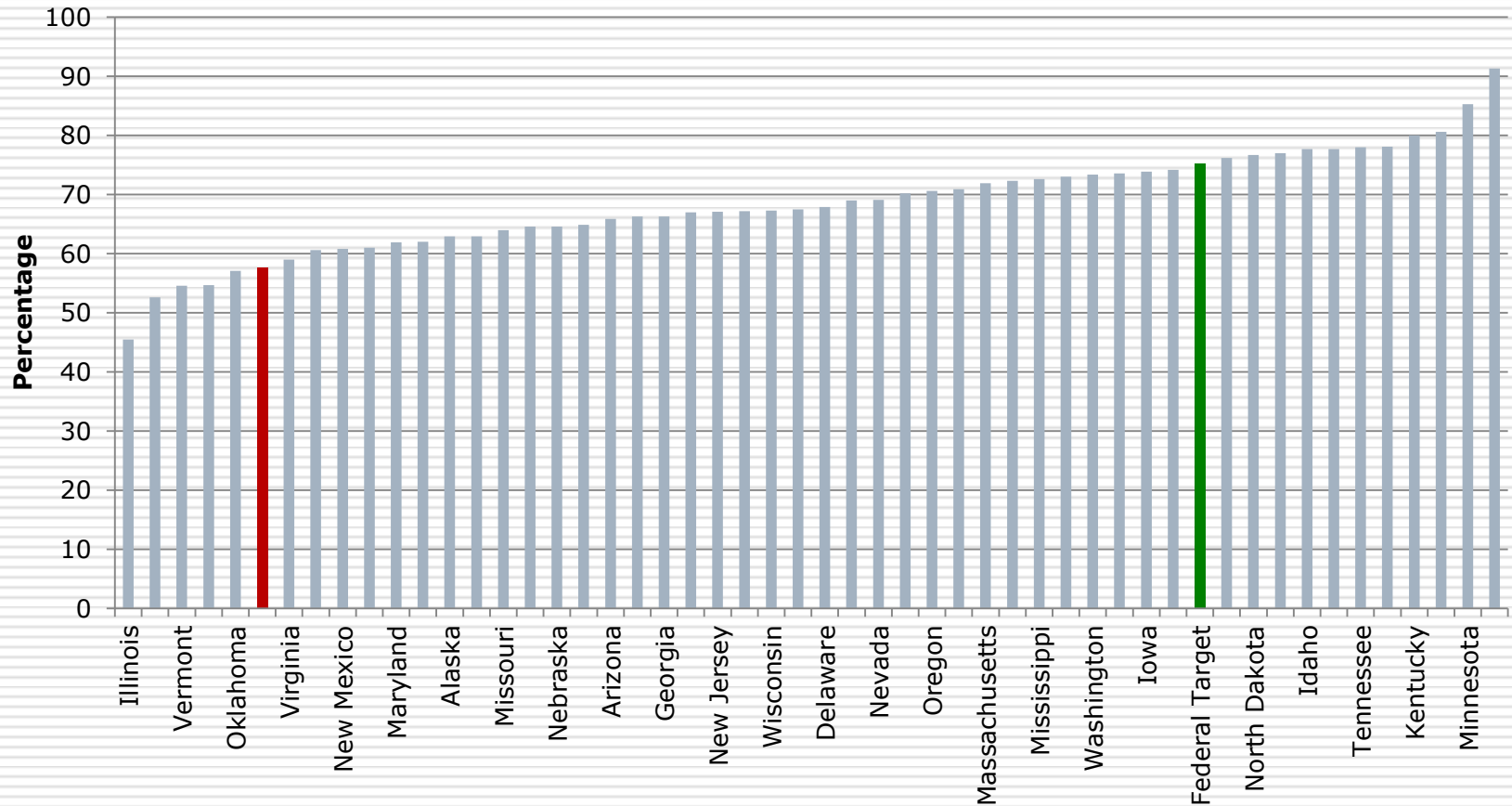
Percentage of Children Maltreated in Foster Care



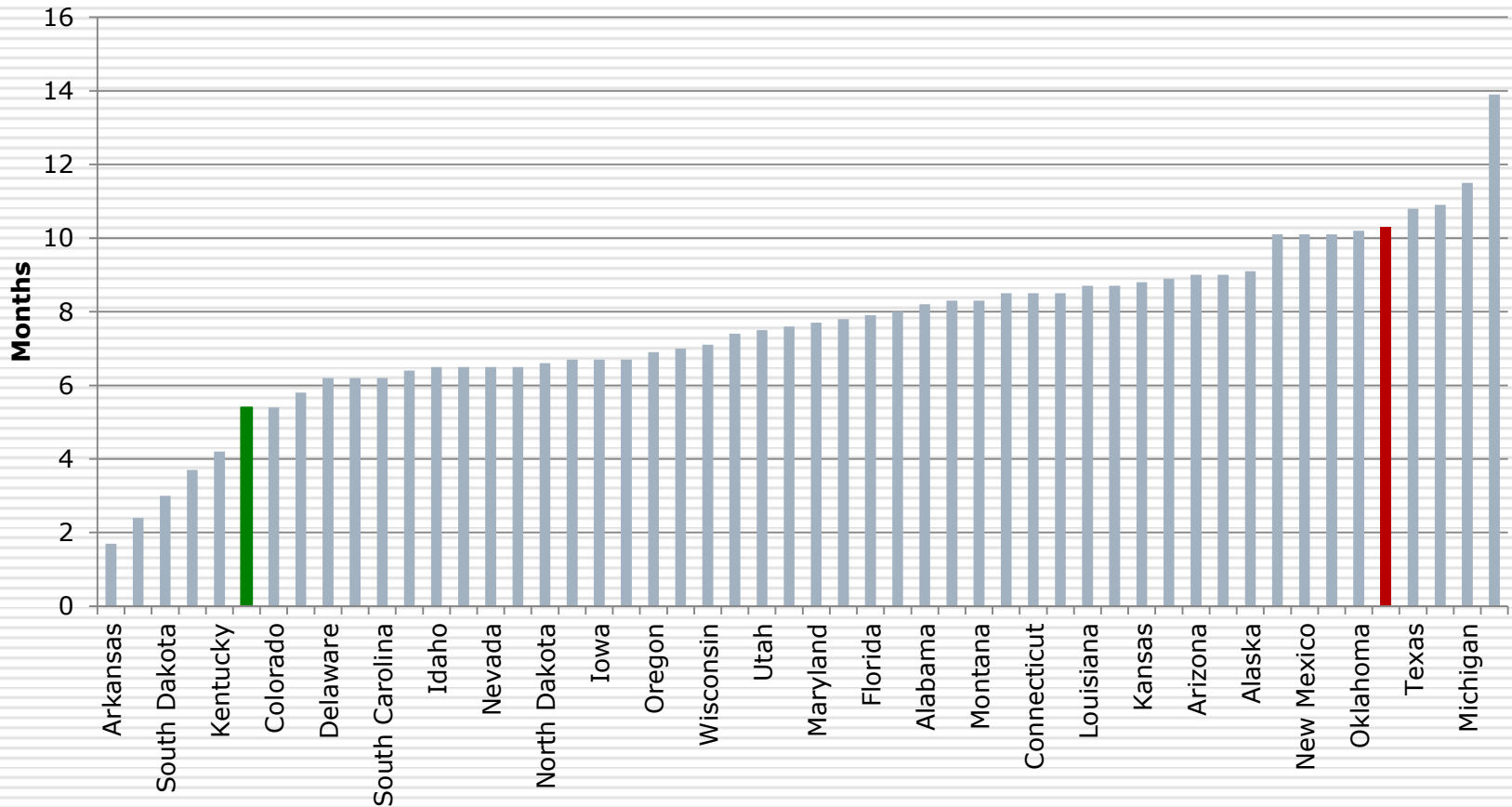
Composite 1: Timeliness and Permanency of Reunification



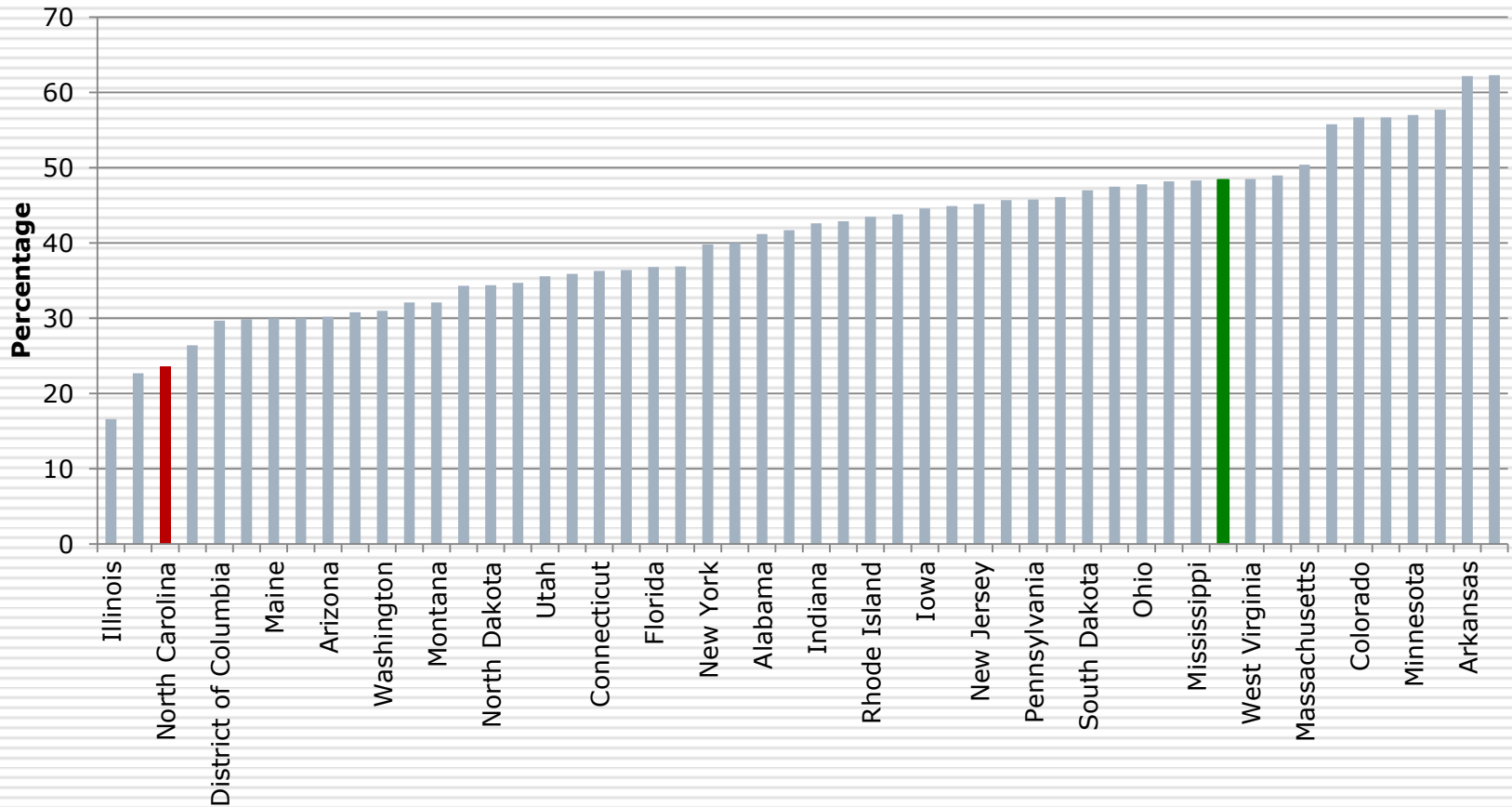
Composite 1.1: Reunification in Less than 12 Months



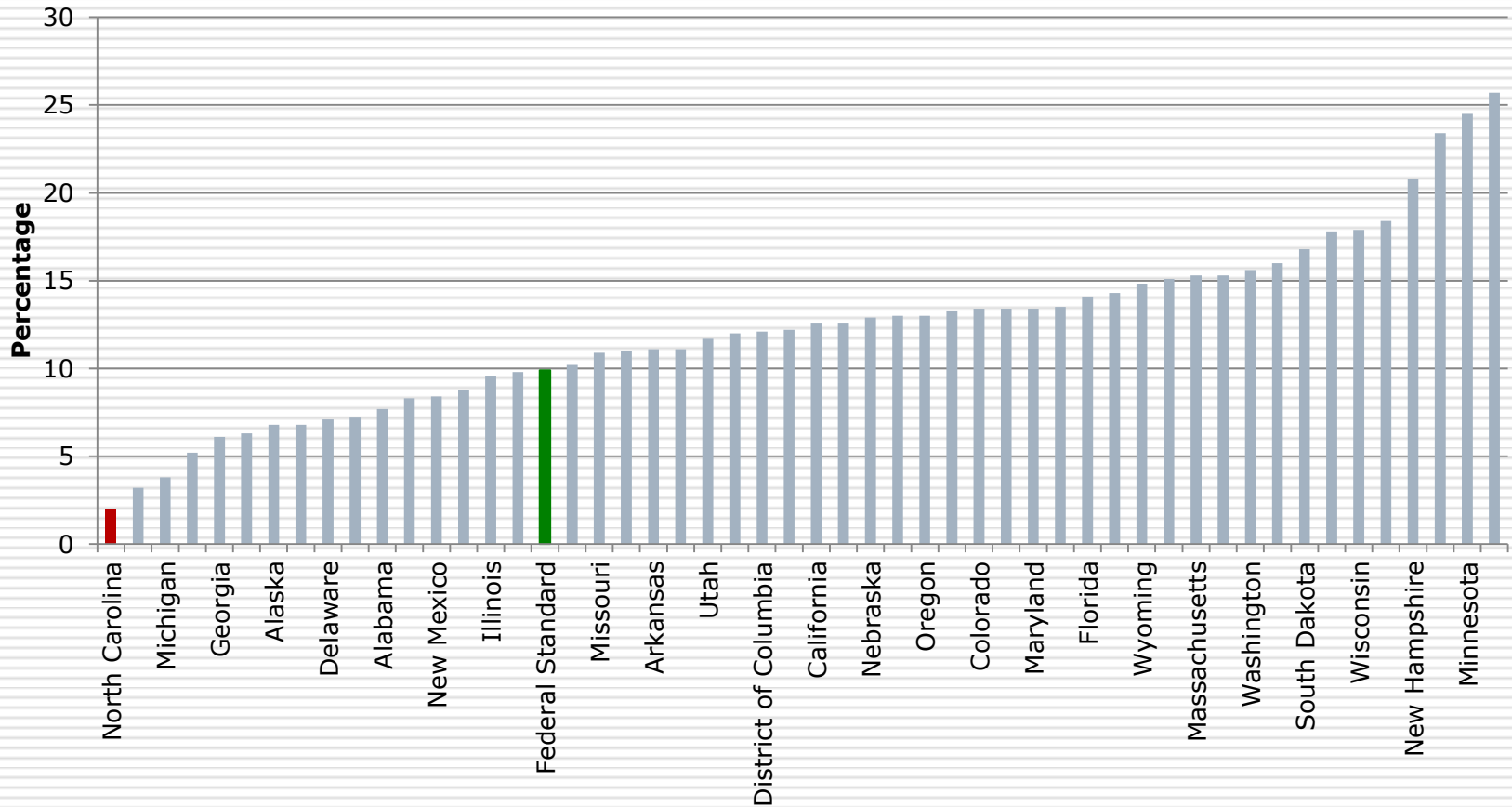
Composite 1.2: Median Length of Stay



Composite 1.3: Percentage Discharged in Less than 12 Months



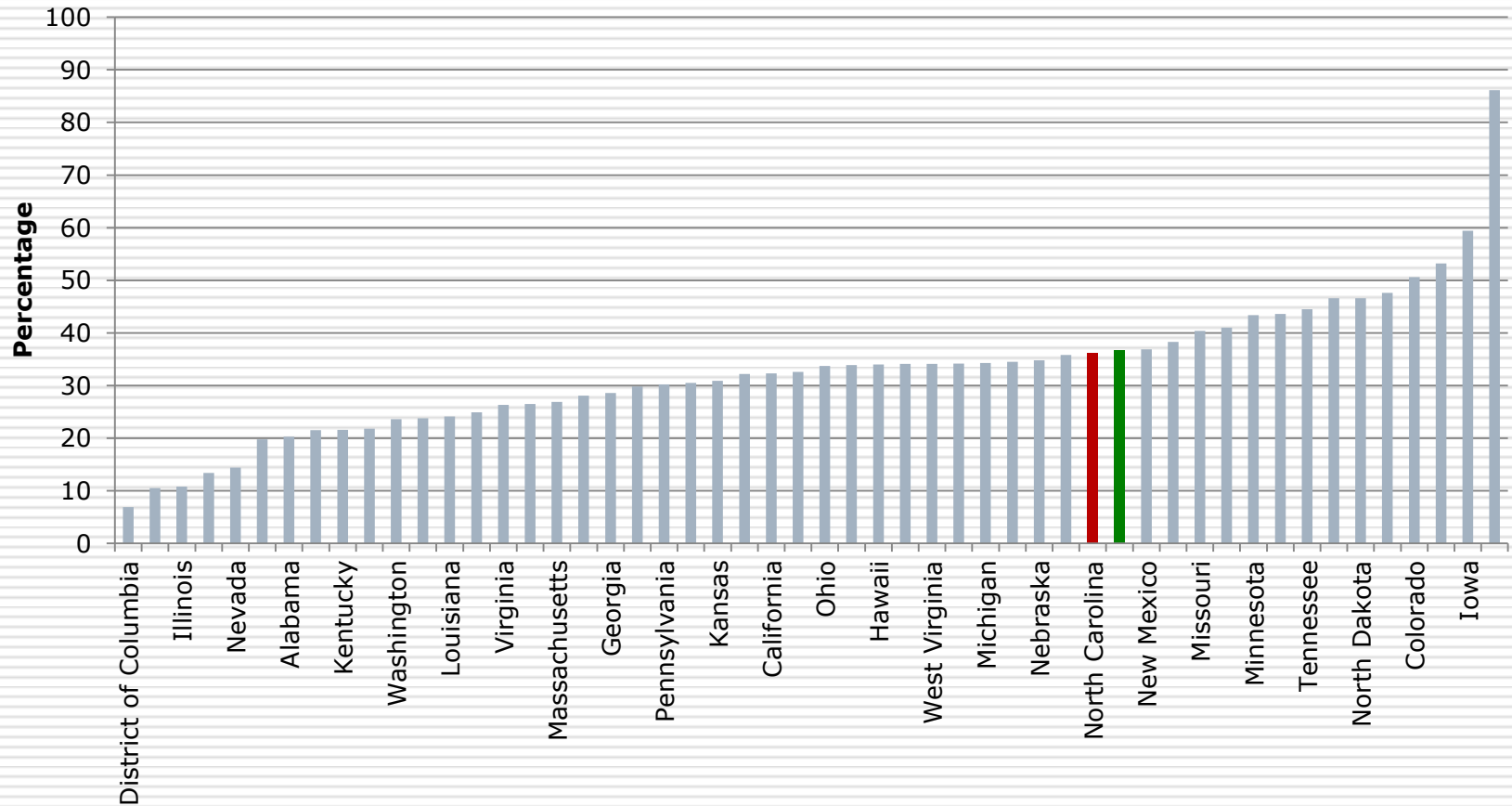
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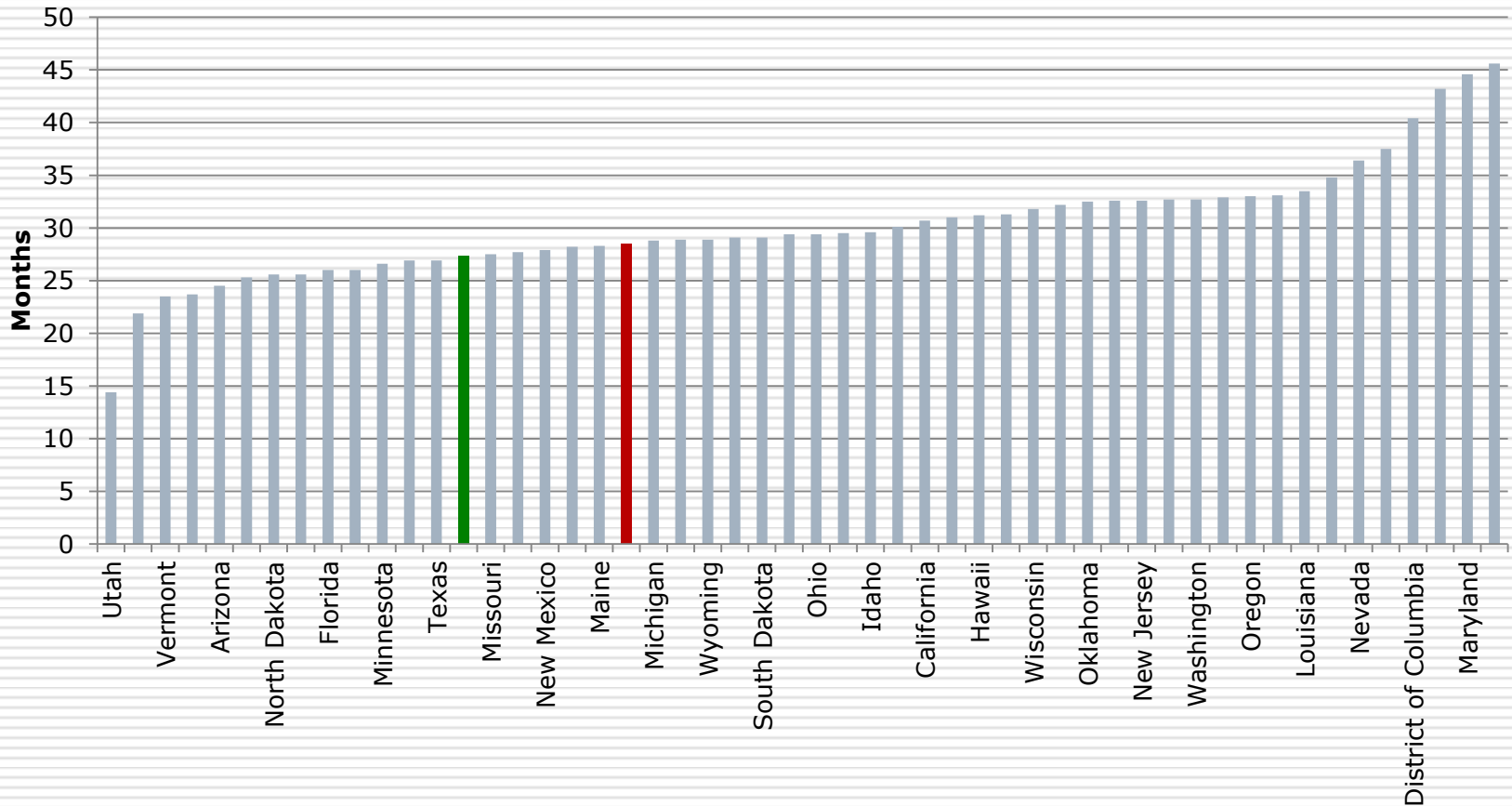
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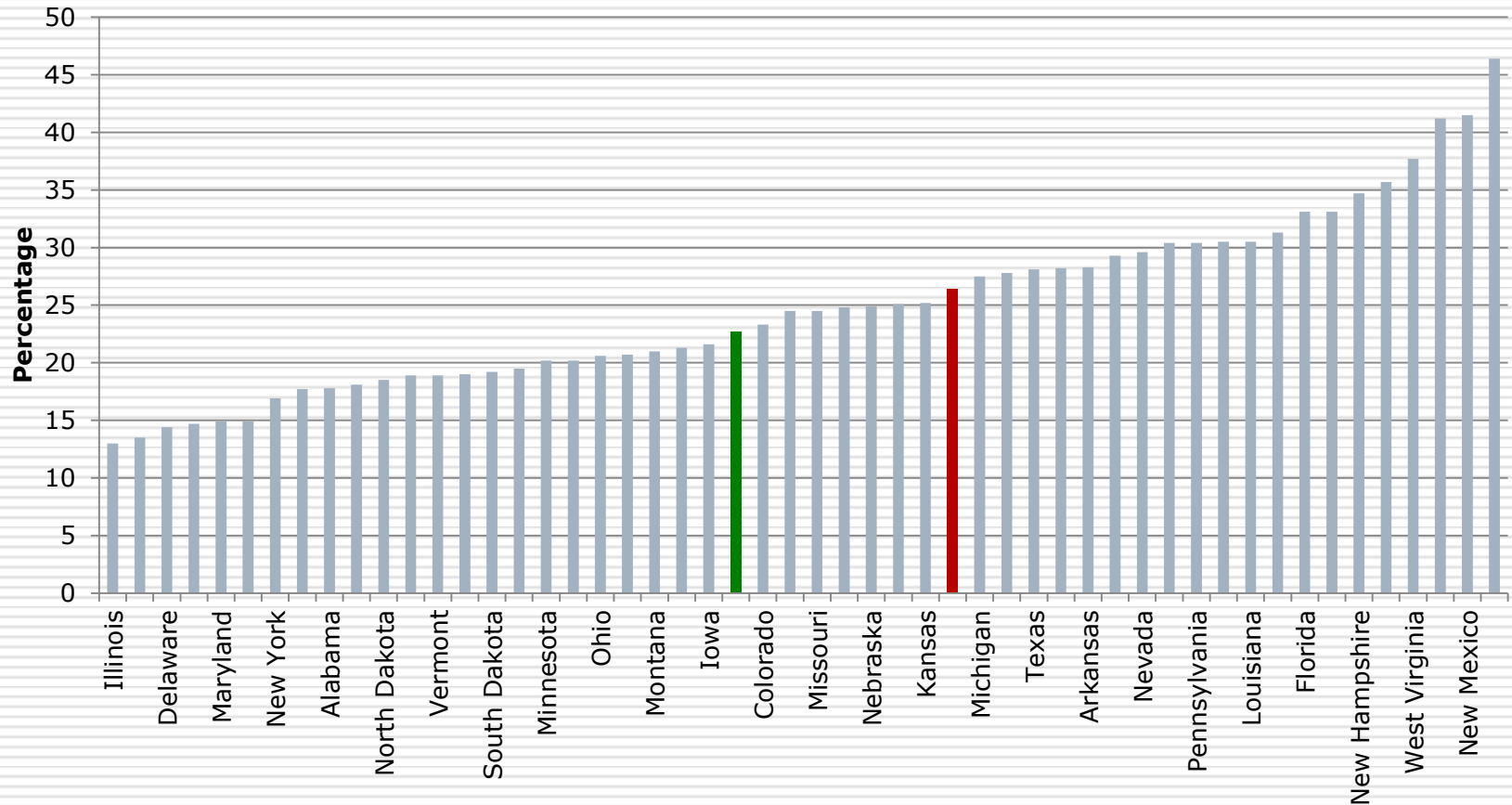
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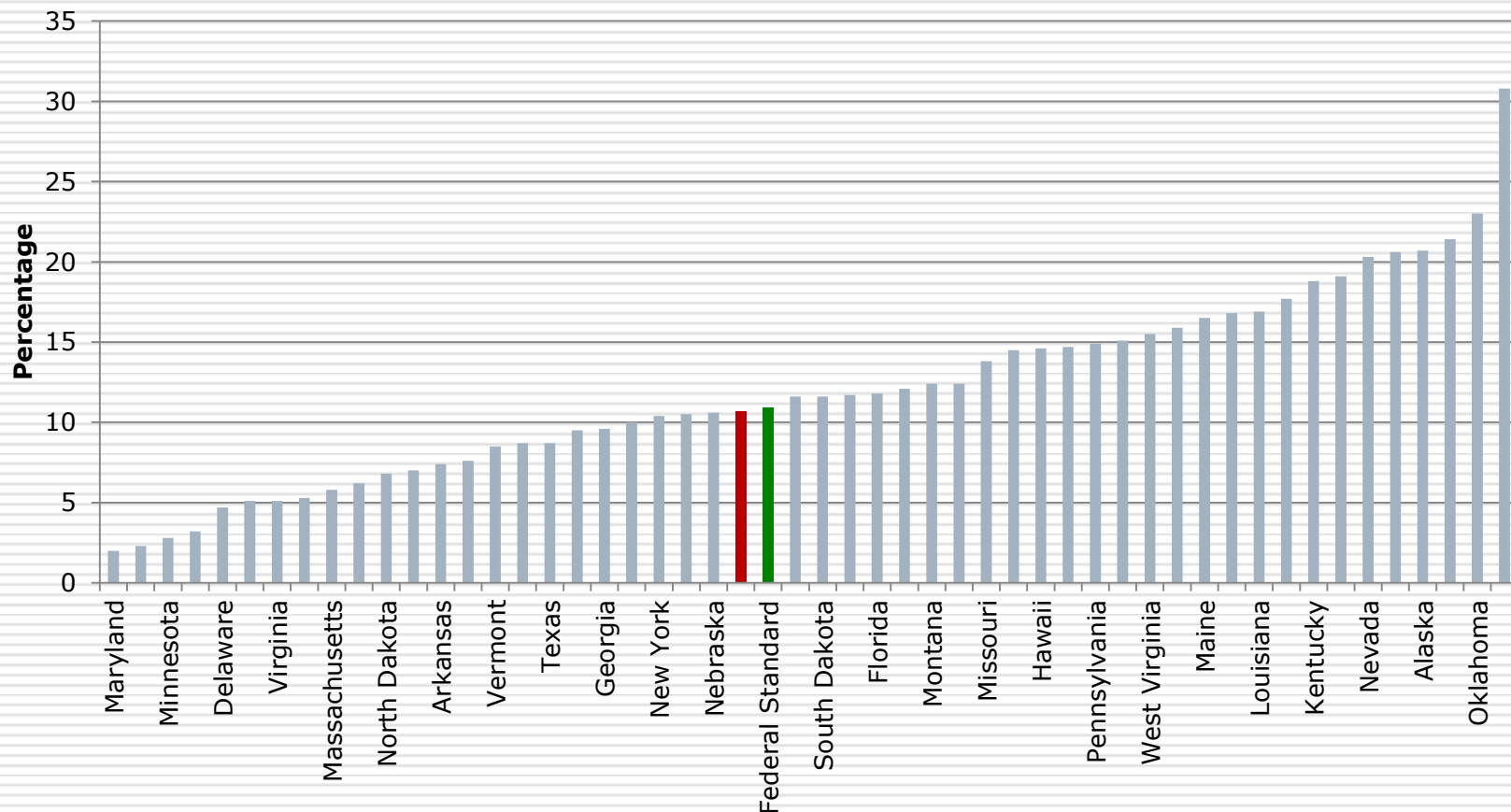
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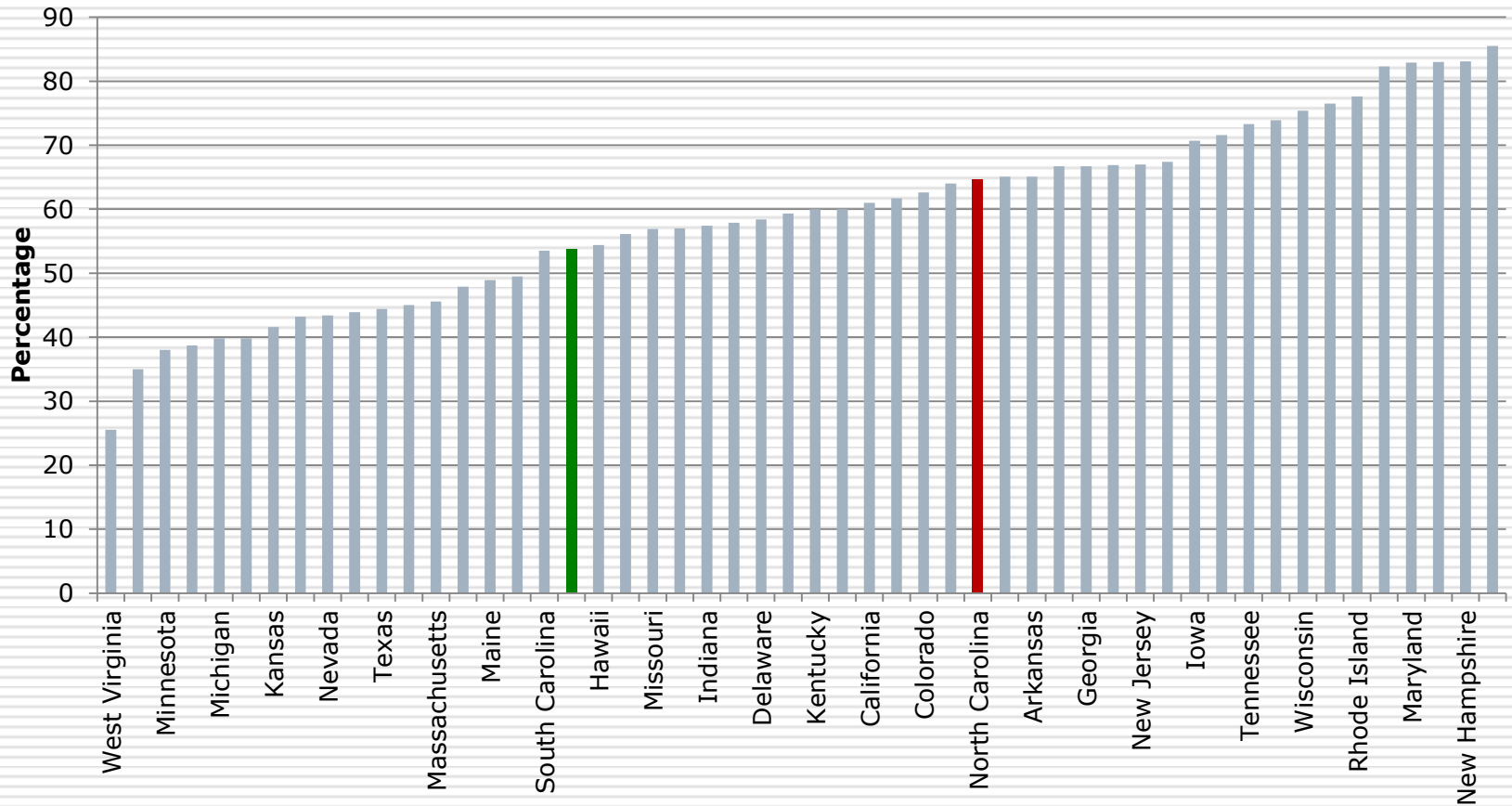
Composite 2.3: Children in Care for More Than 17 Months Discharged to Adoption



Composite 2.4: Percentage of Children in Care for More Than 17 Months Who Became Free for Adoption Within the Next Six Months



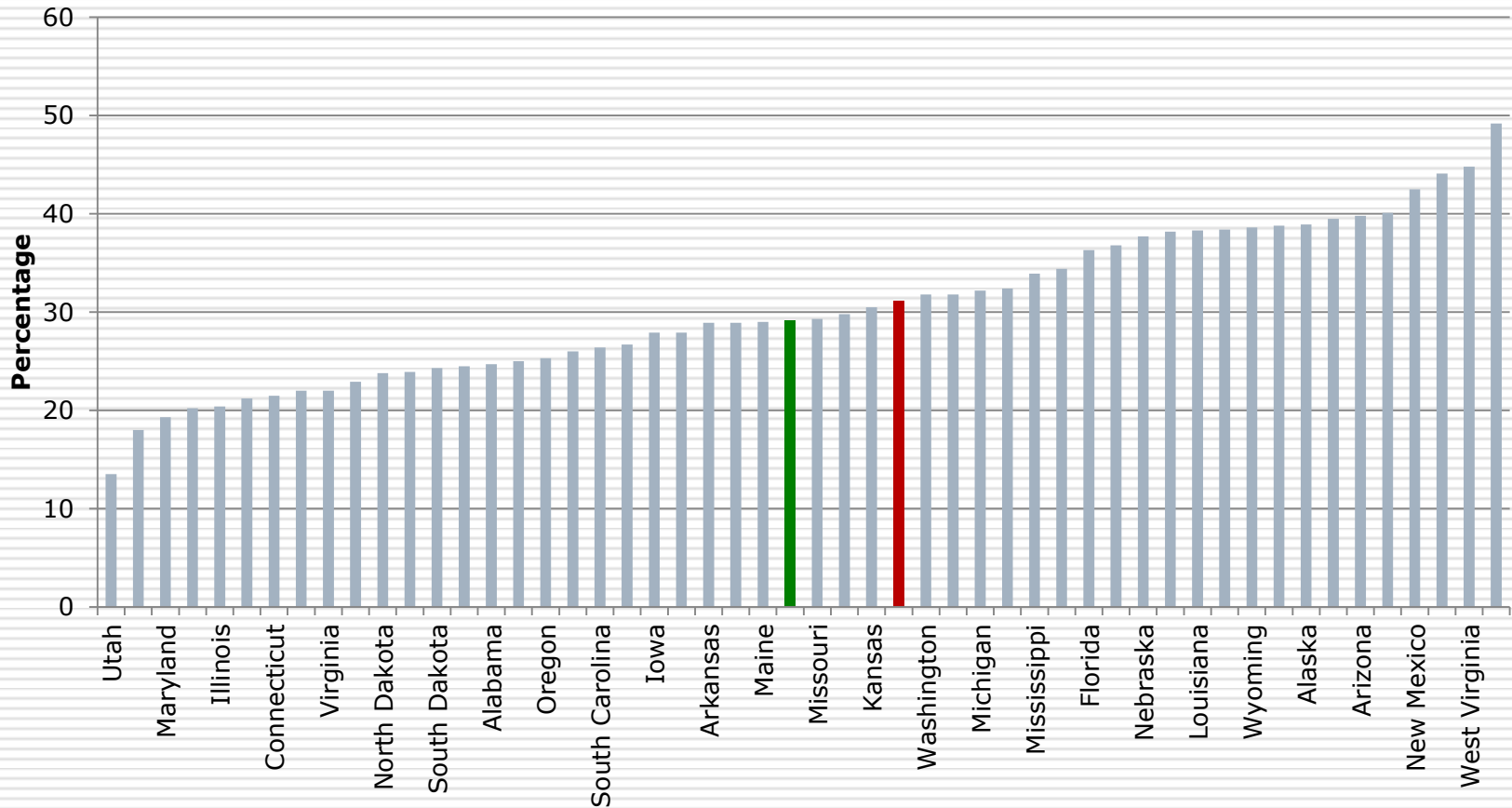
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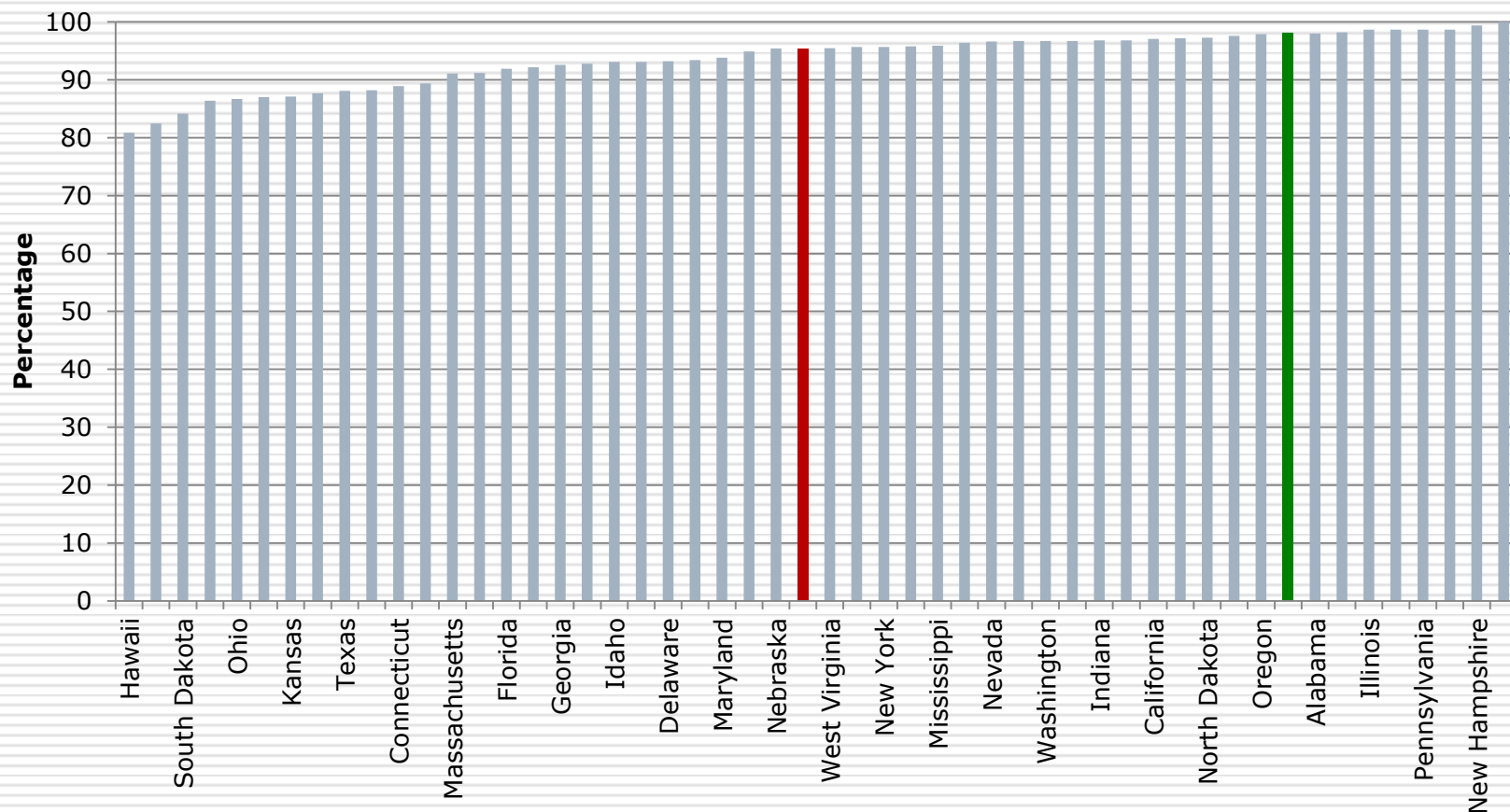
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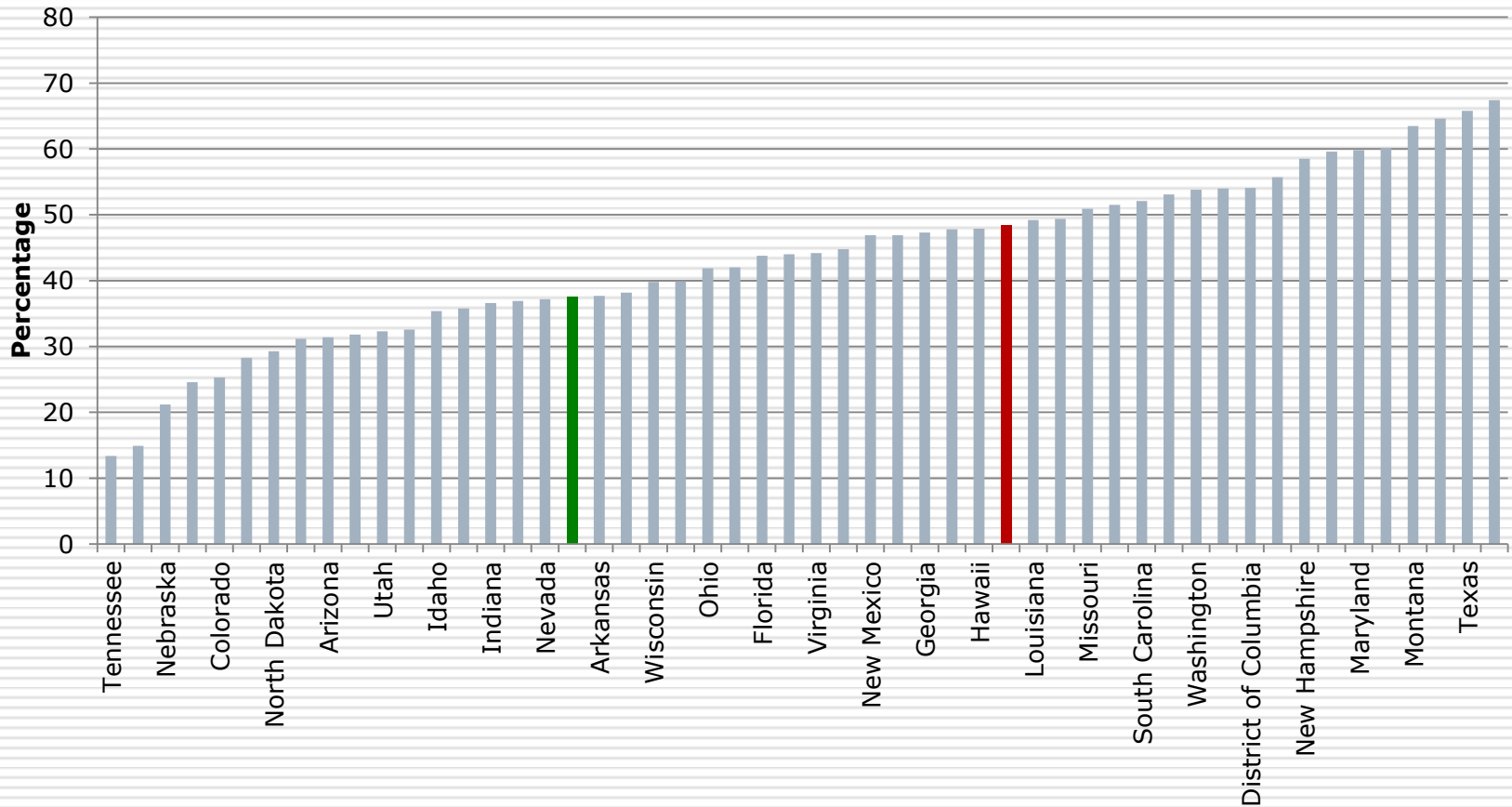
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Composite 3.2: Percentage of Children Free for Adoption Discharged to a Permanent Home Before Age 18



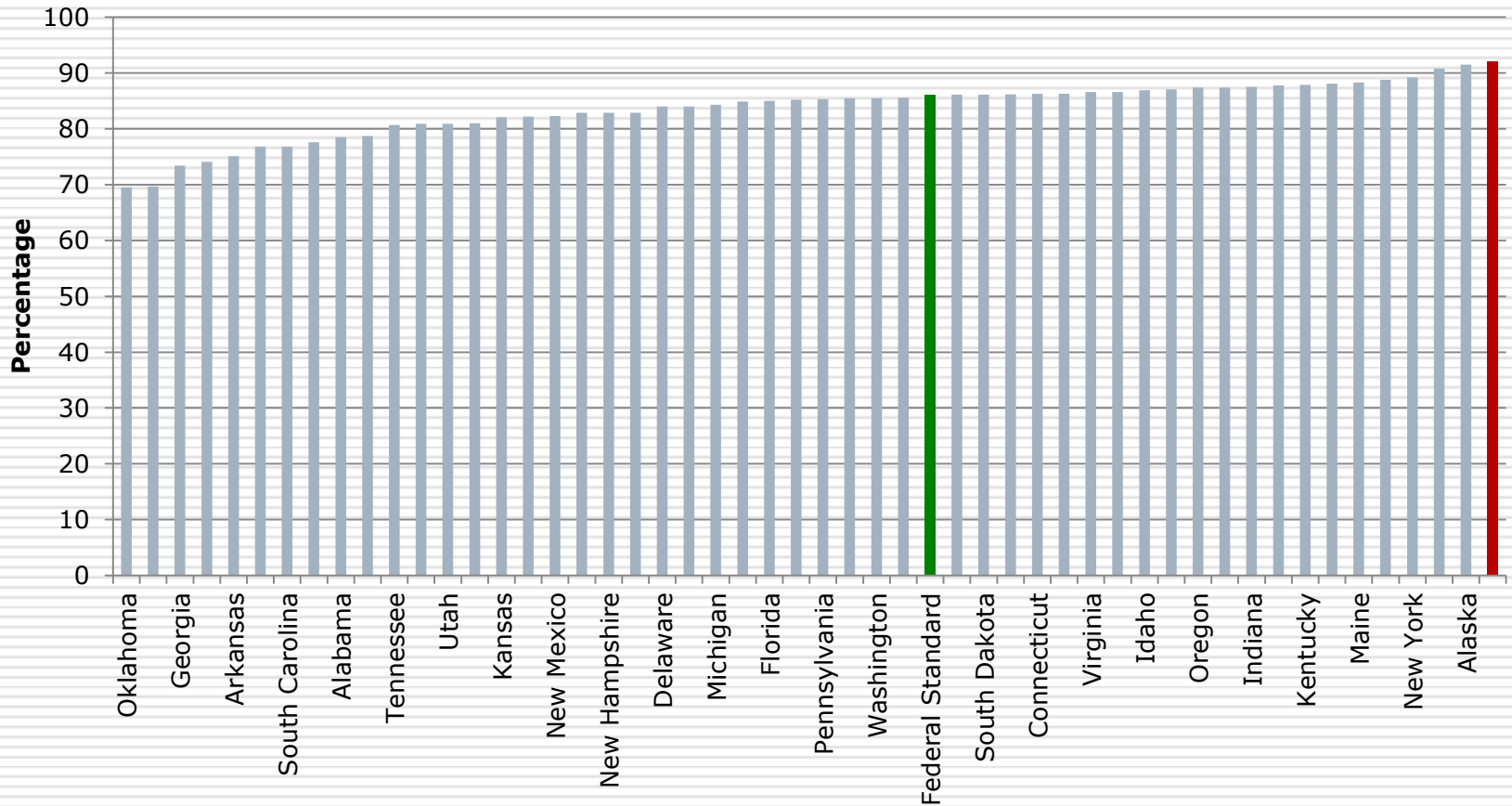
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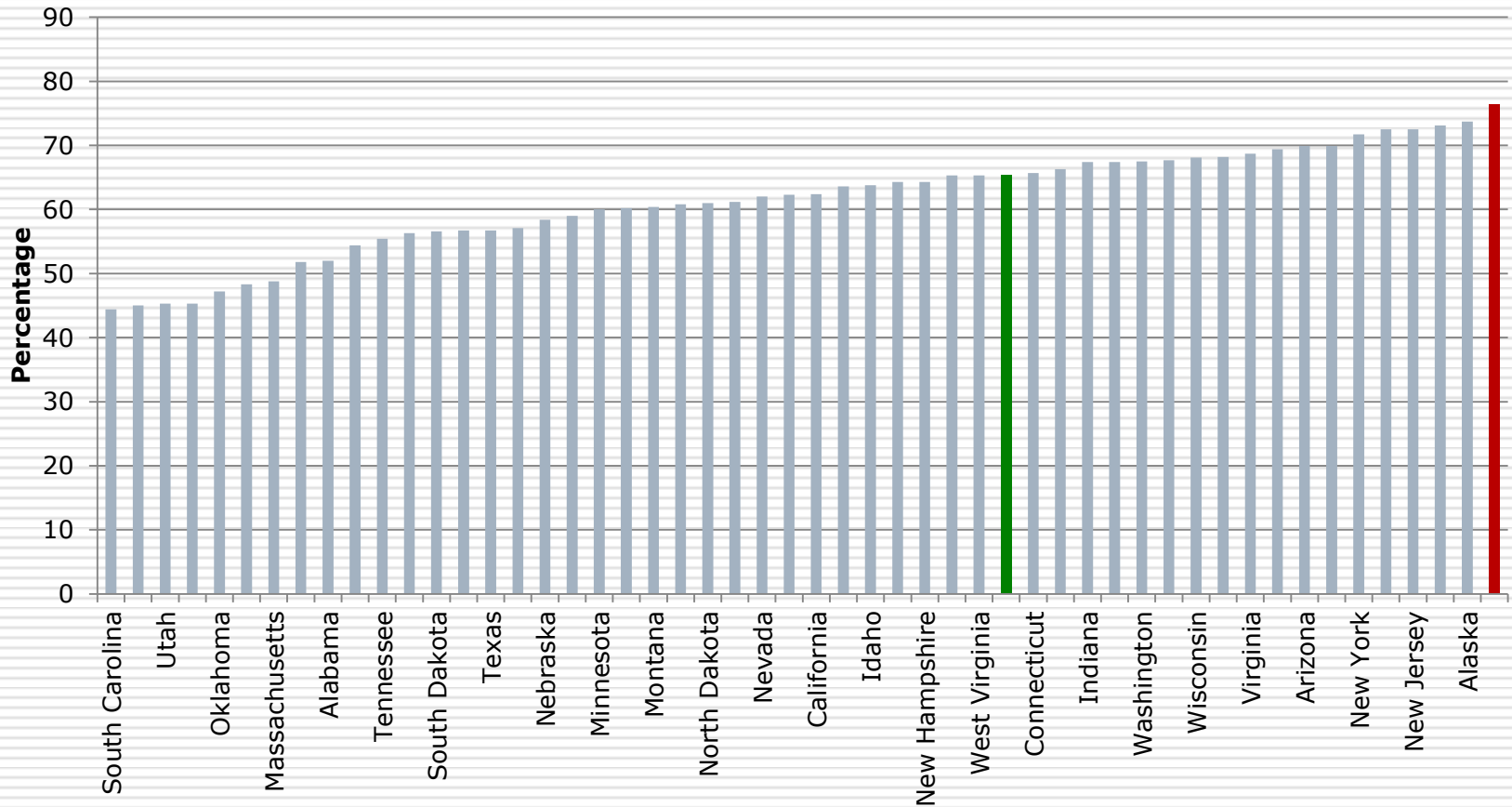
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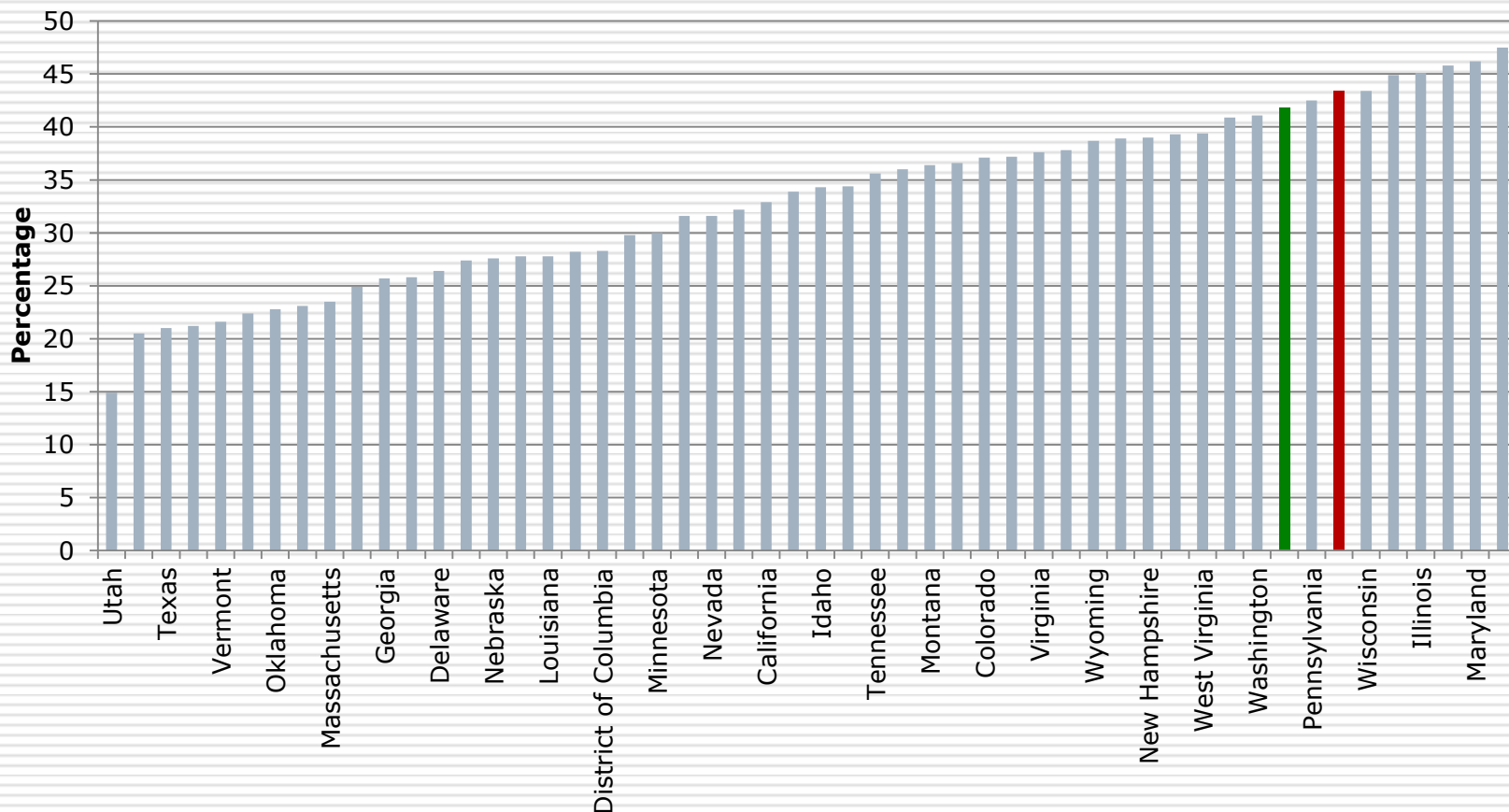
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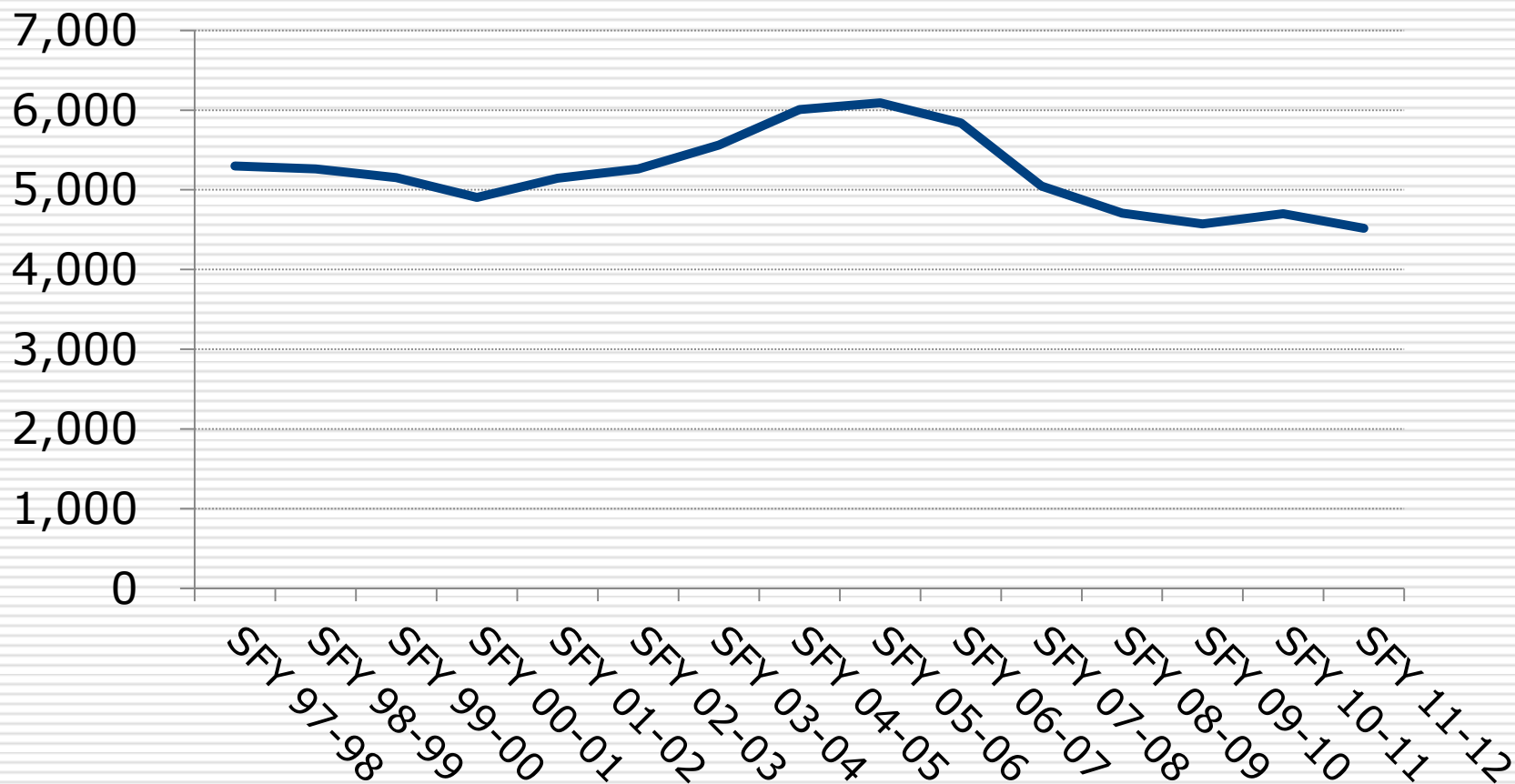
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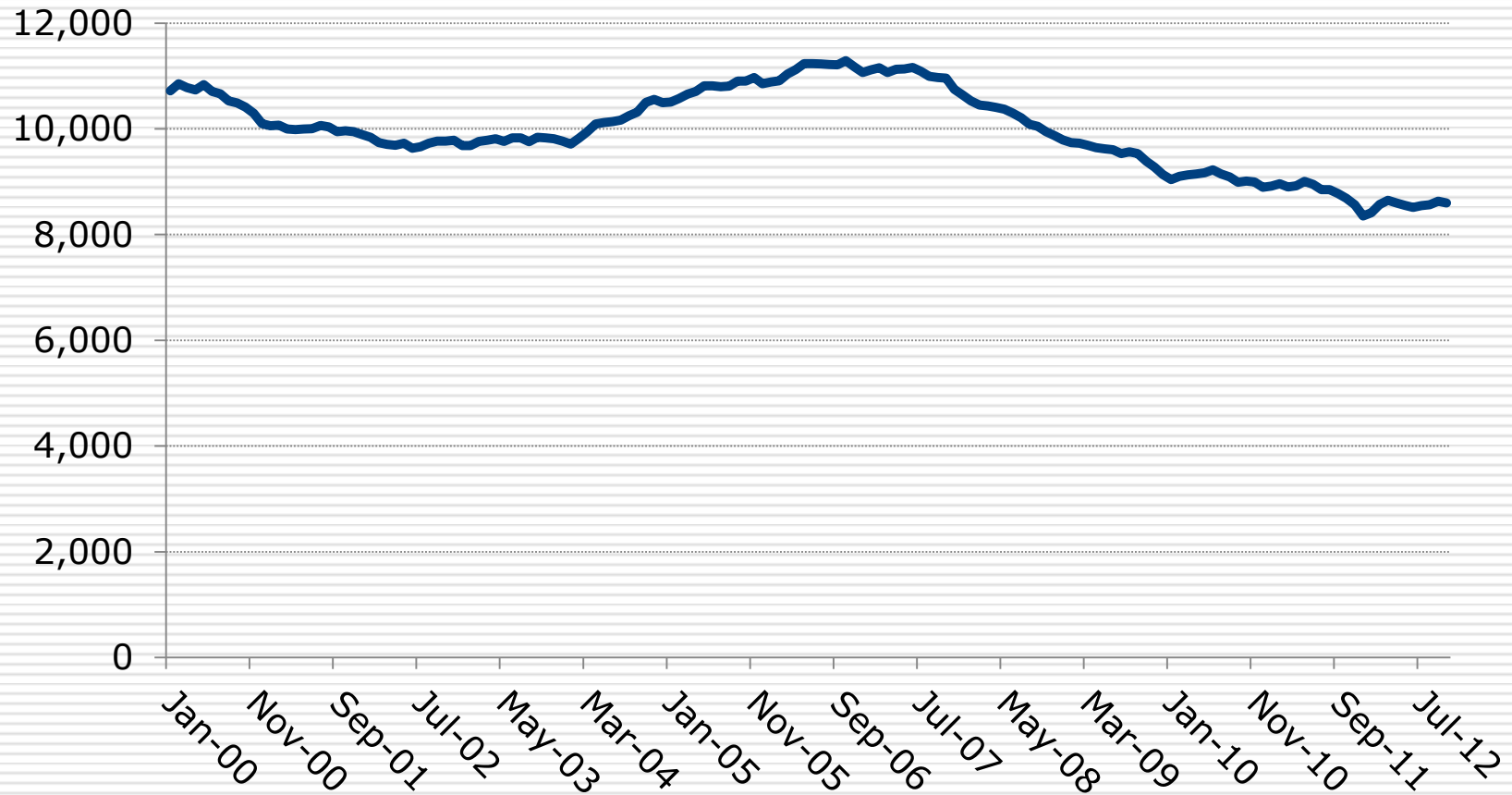
The Foster Care Caseload



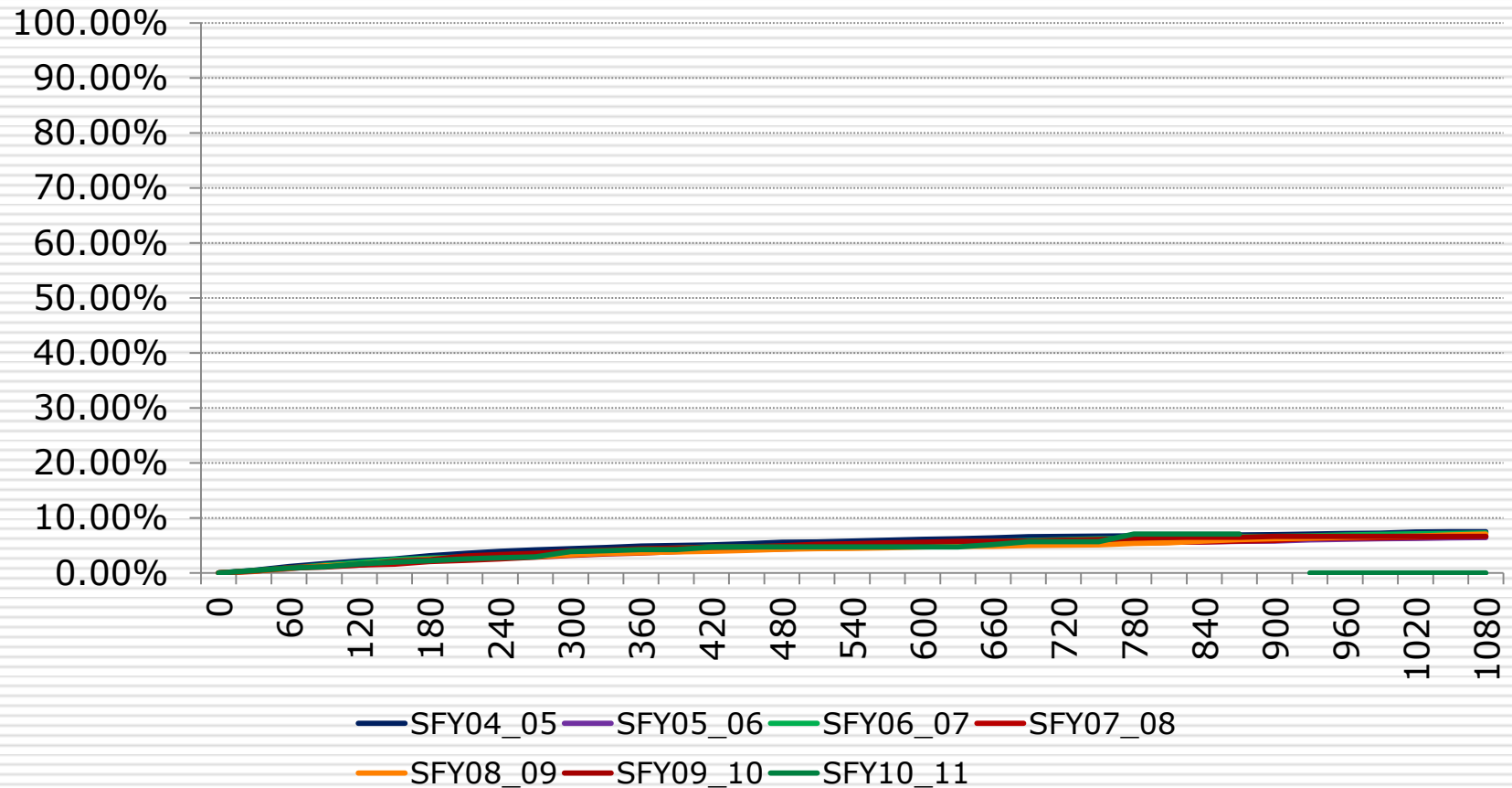
Number of Children Entering Care for First Time by State Fiscal Year



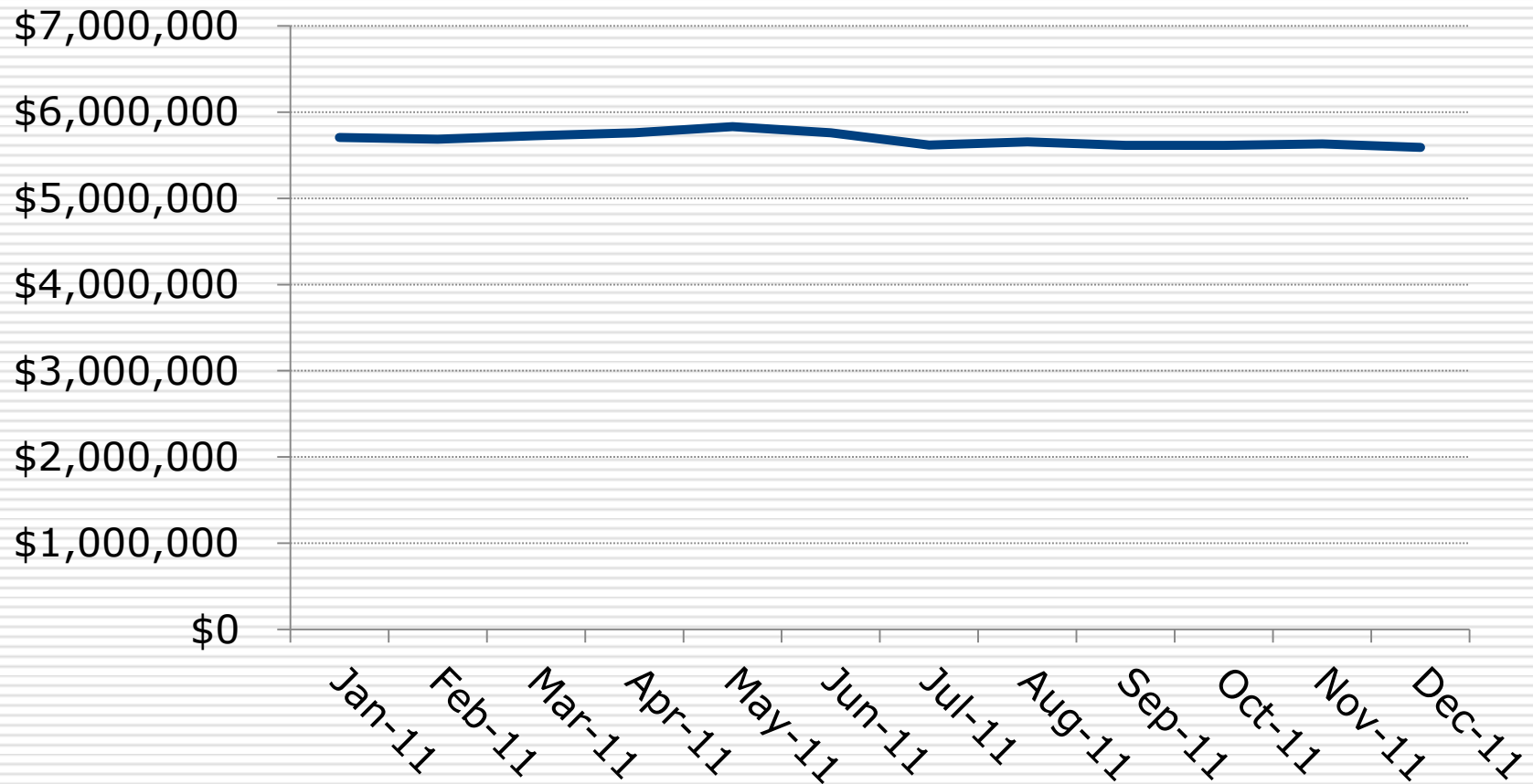
Number of Children in Foster Care in North Carolina



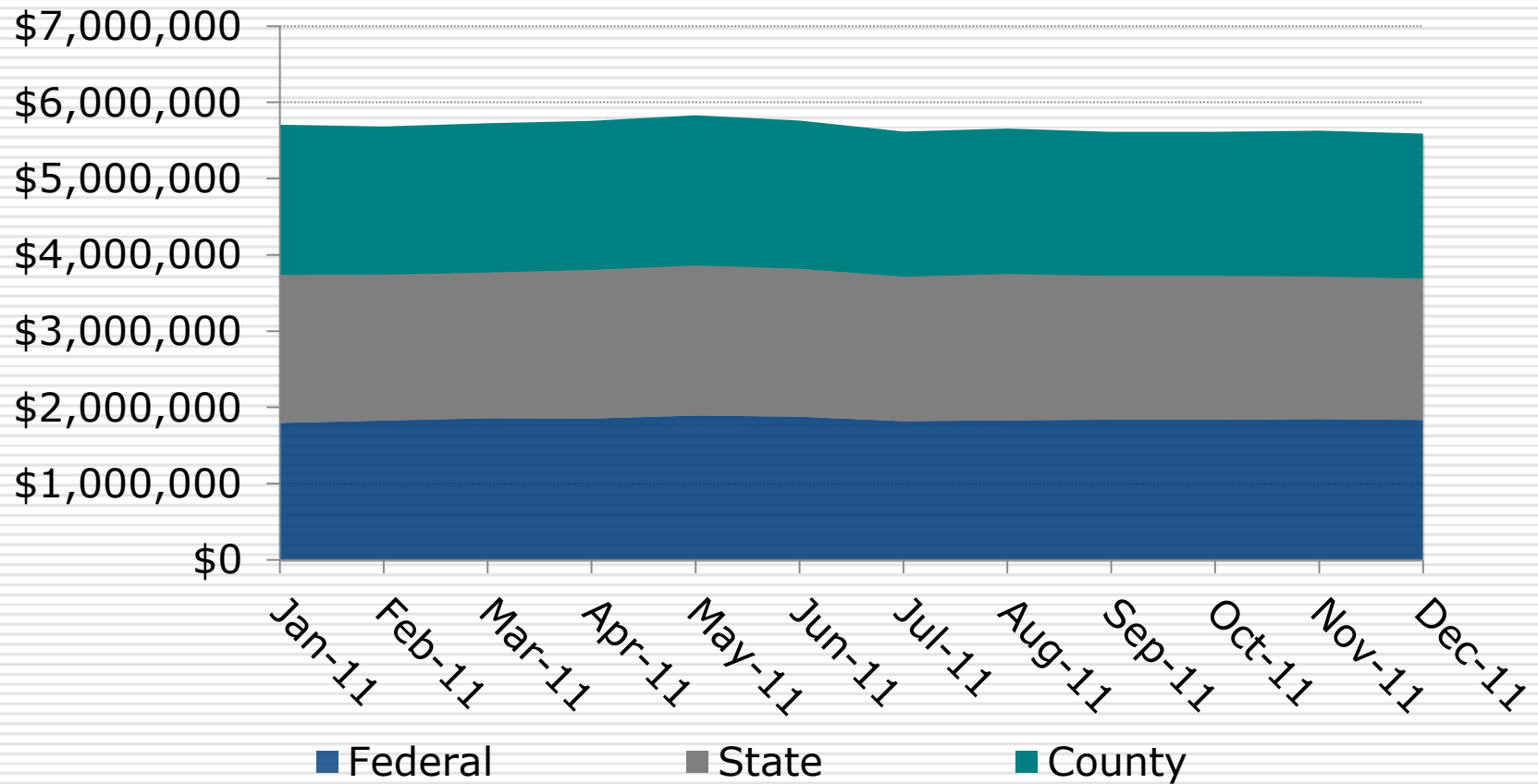
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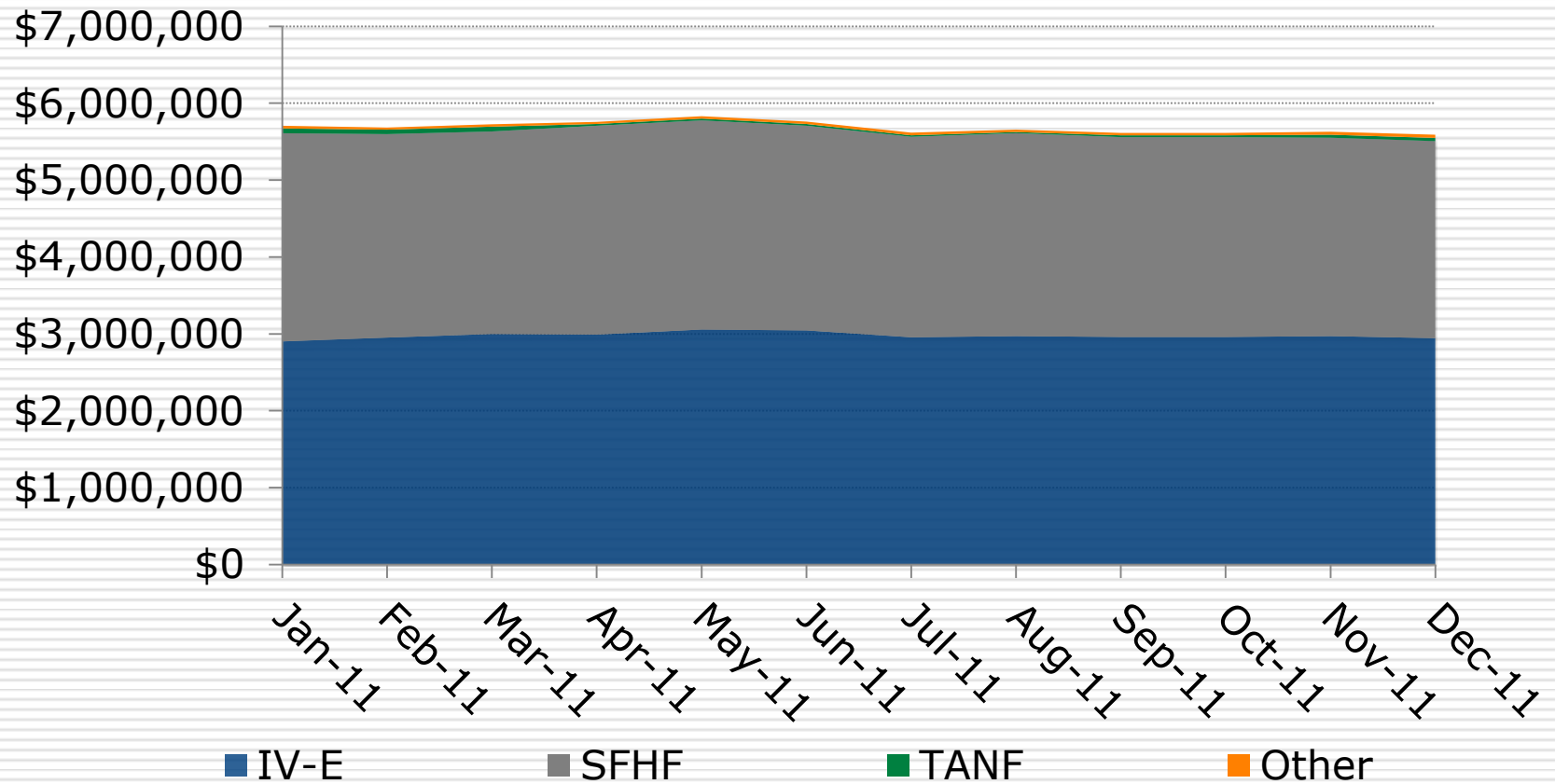
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Out of Home Care Costs by Source of Funds for Children in Foster Care in 2011



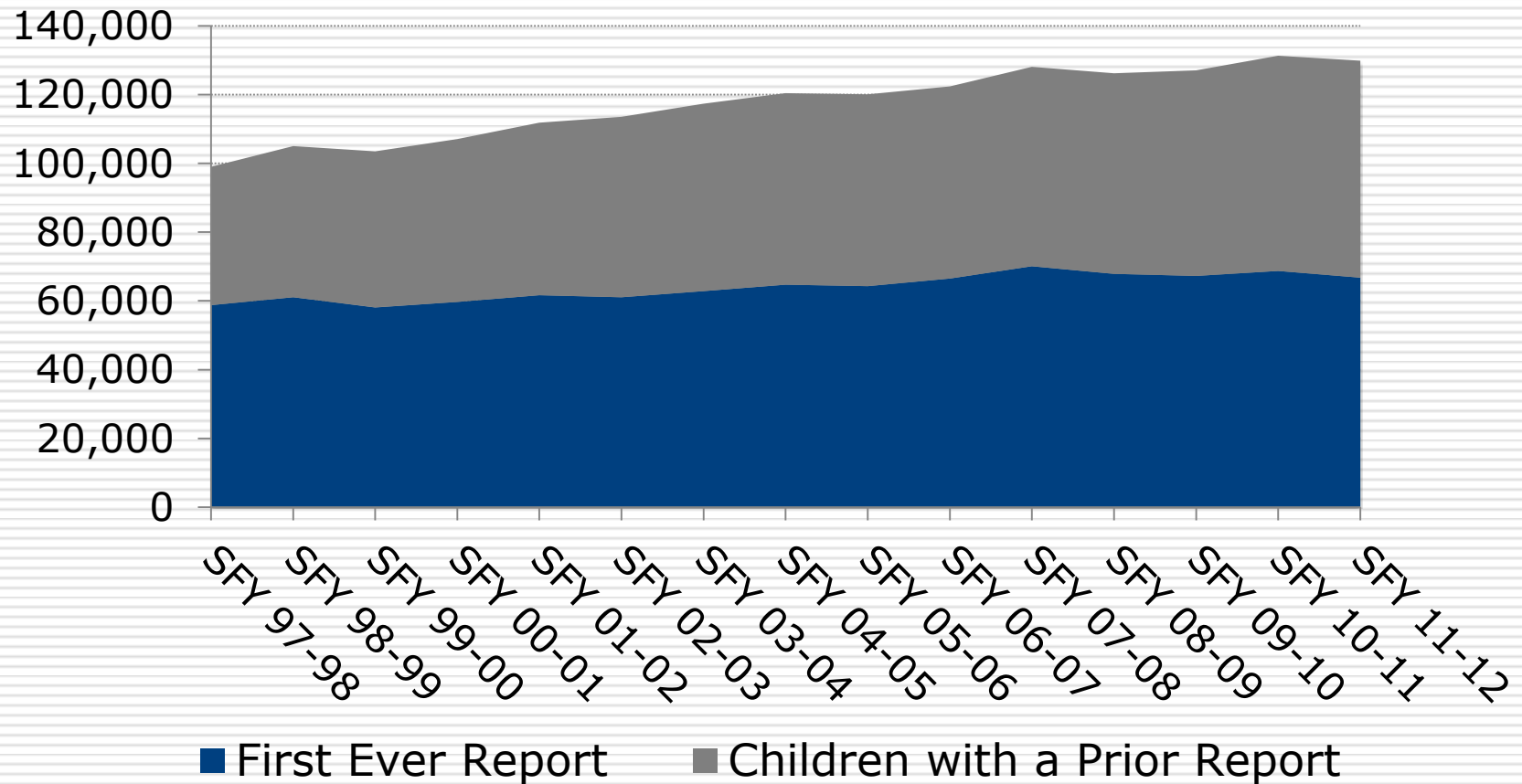
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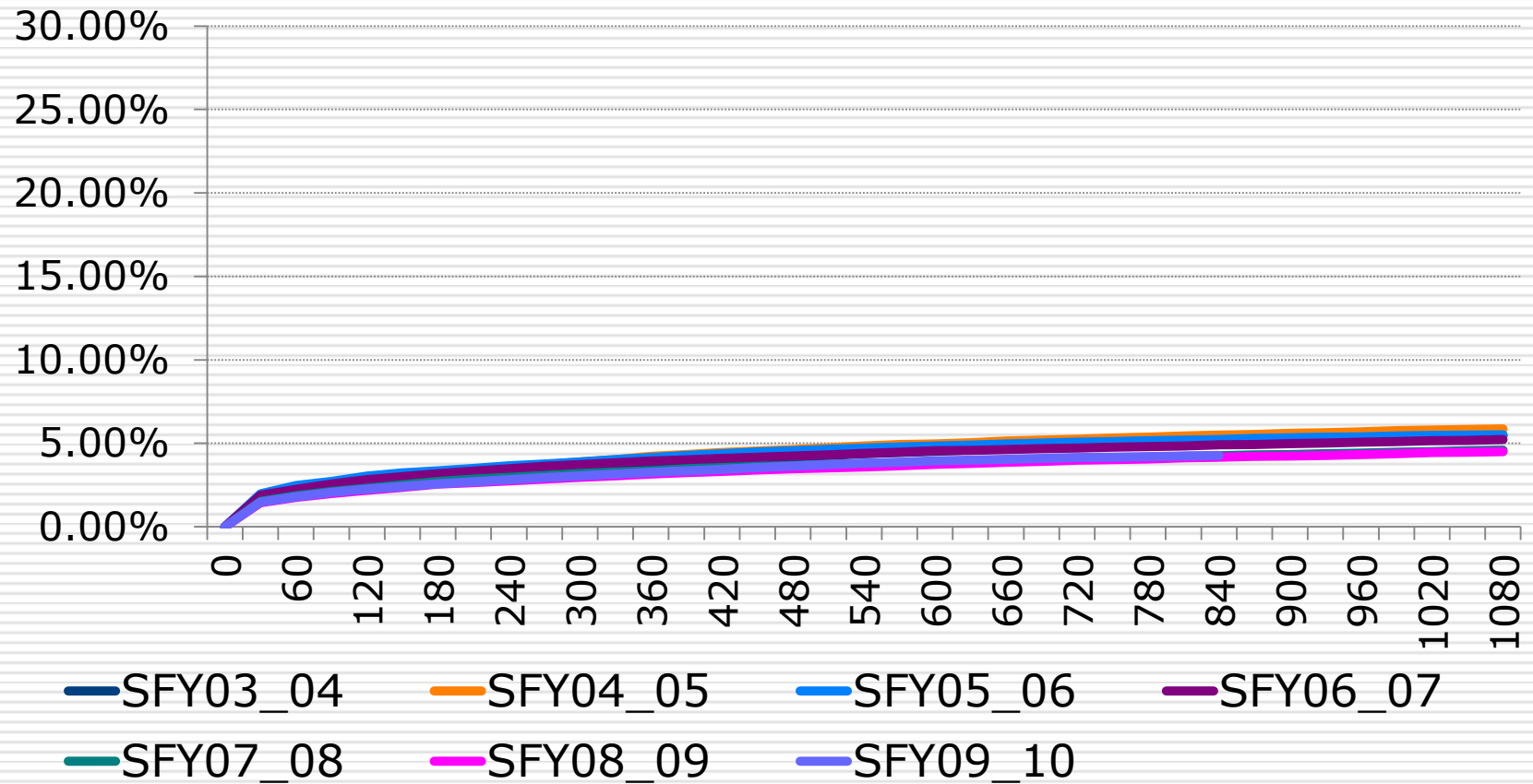
Maltreatment and Entries Into Foster Care



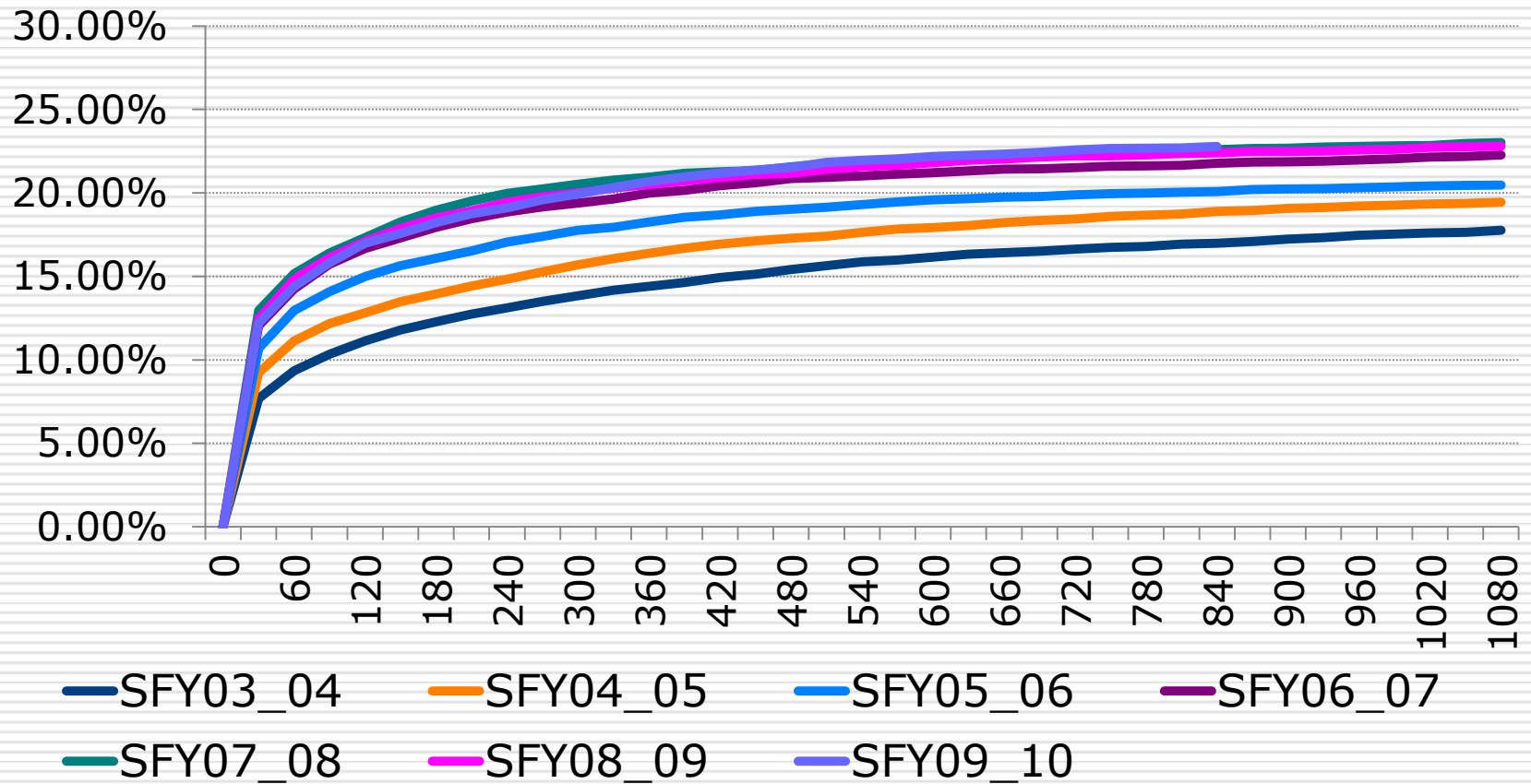
Number of Children with a Report of Maltreatment by State Fiscal Year



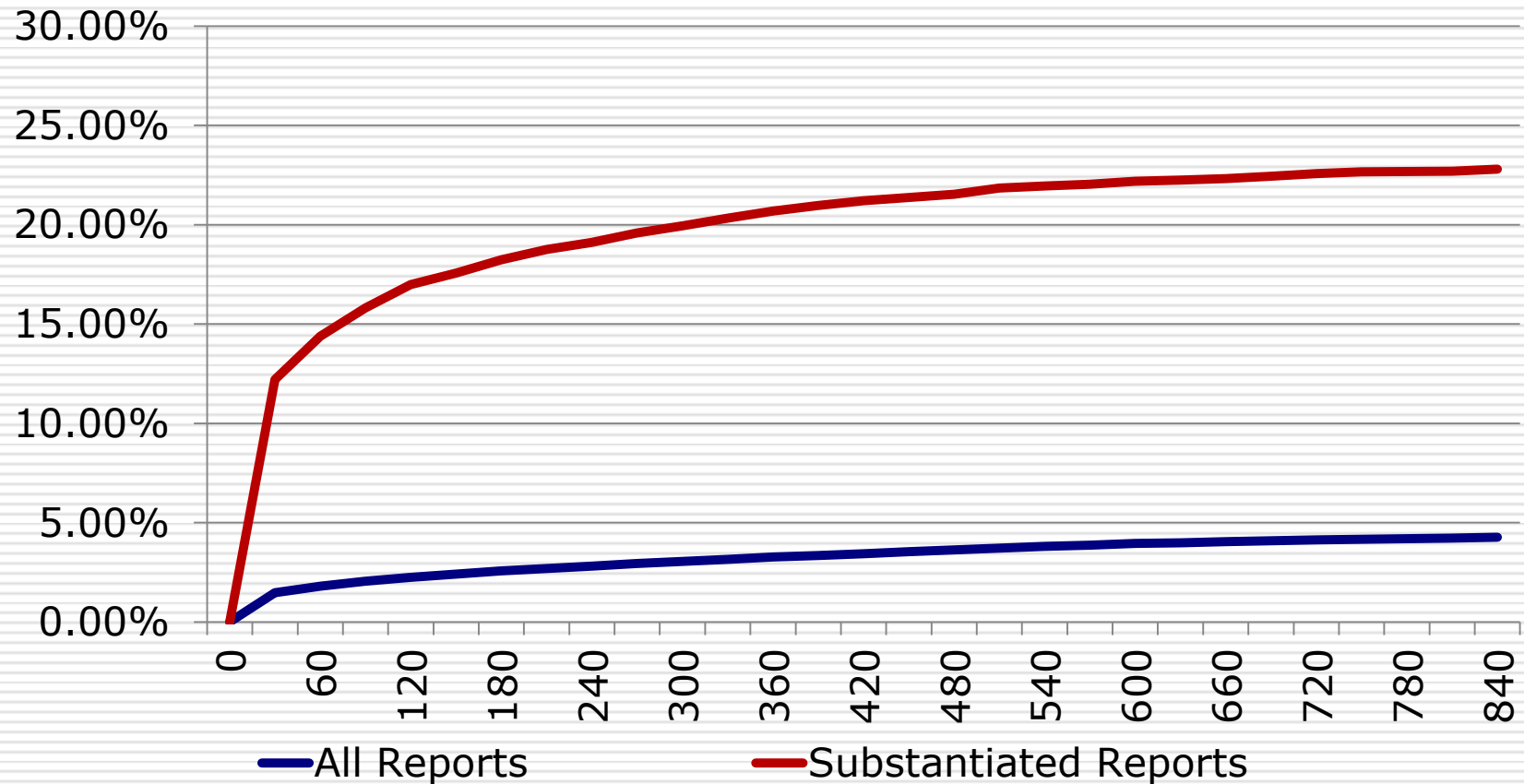
Probability of Entering Foster Care Following a Maltreatment Report by State Fiscal Year



Probability of Entering Foster Care Following a Maltreatment Report by State Fiscal Year for Children with a Substantiated Report



Probability of Entering Foster Care For SFY 2009-2010 Comparing All Reports With Substantiated Reports



Contributory Factors and Entries into Foster Care

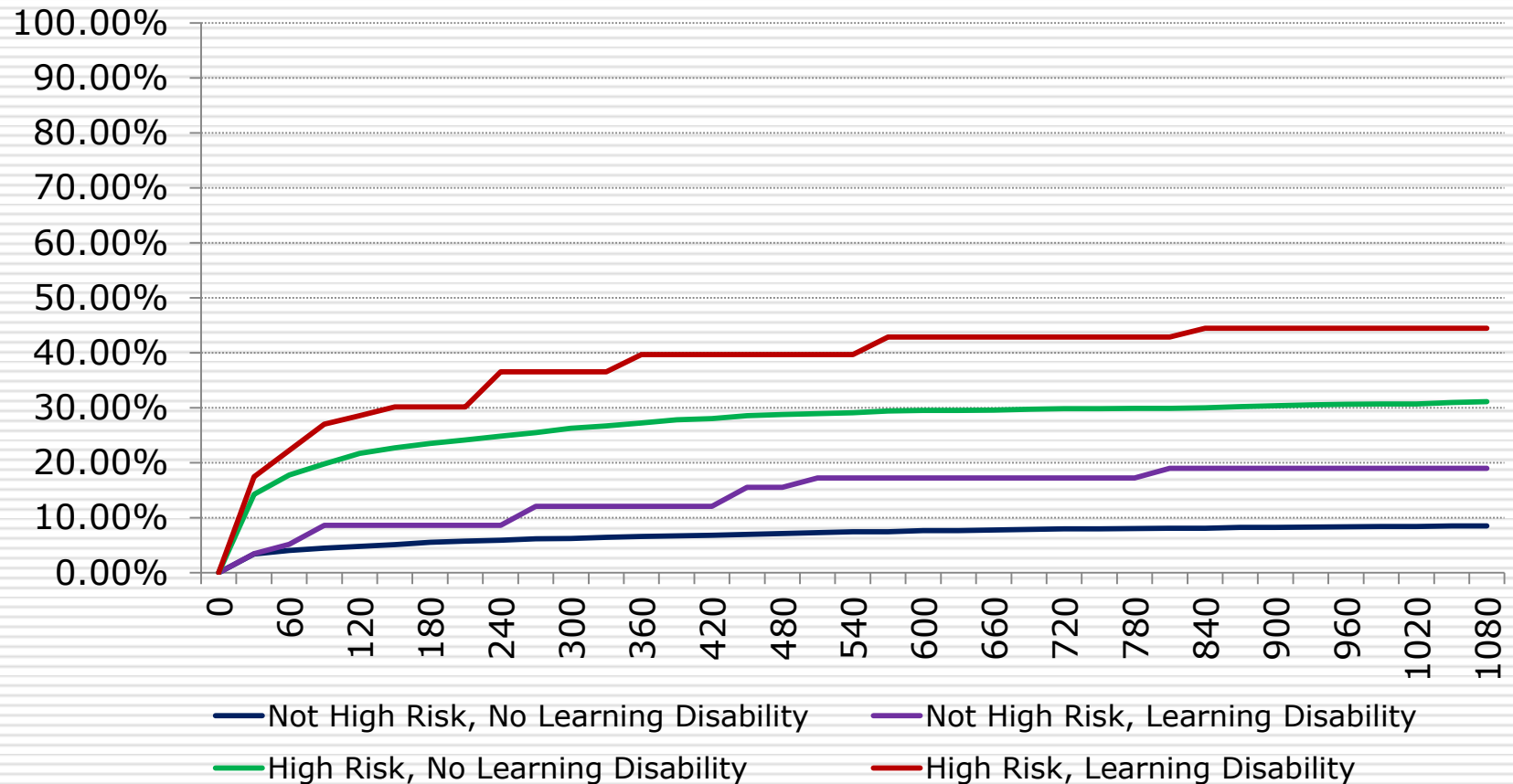


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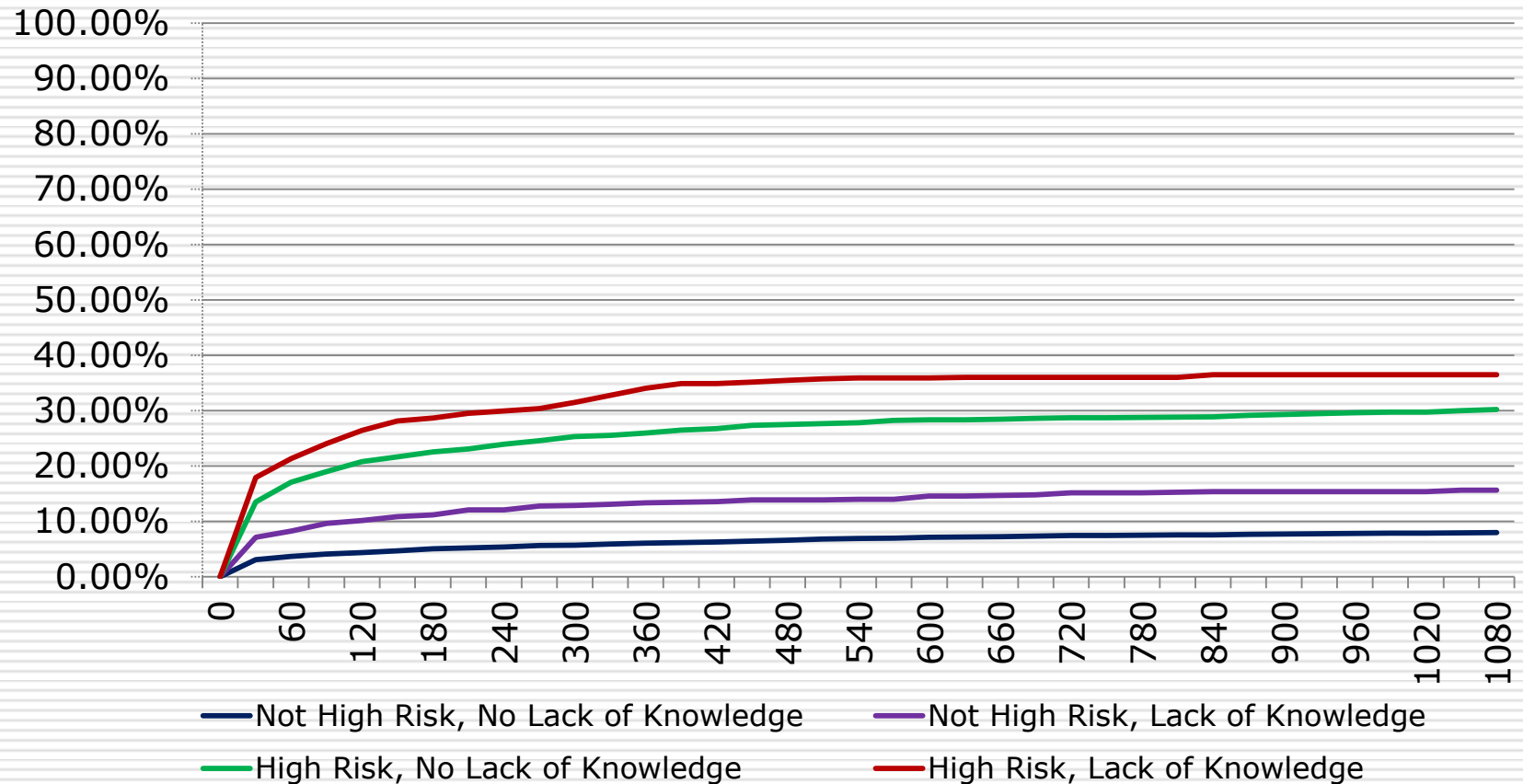
- This analysis is based on first ever reports of maltreatment for children in SFY 2009-2010 and 2010-2011
- The analysis is based on children who are found to be maltreated (findings of abuse, neglect, abuse and neglect, dependency, services needed, services provided CPS no longer needed)



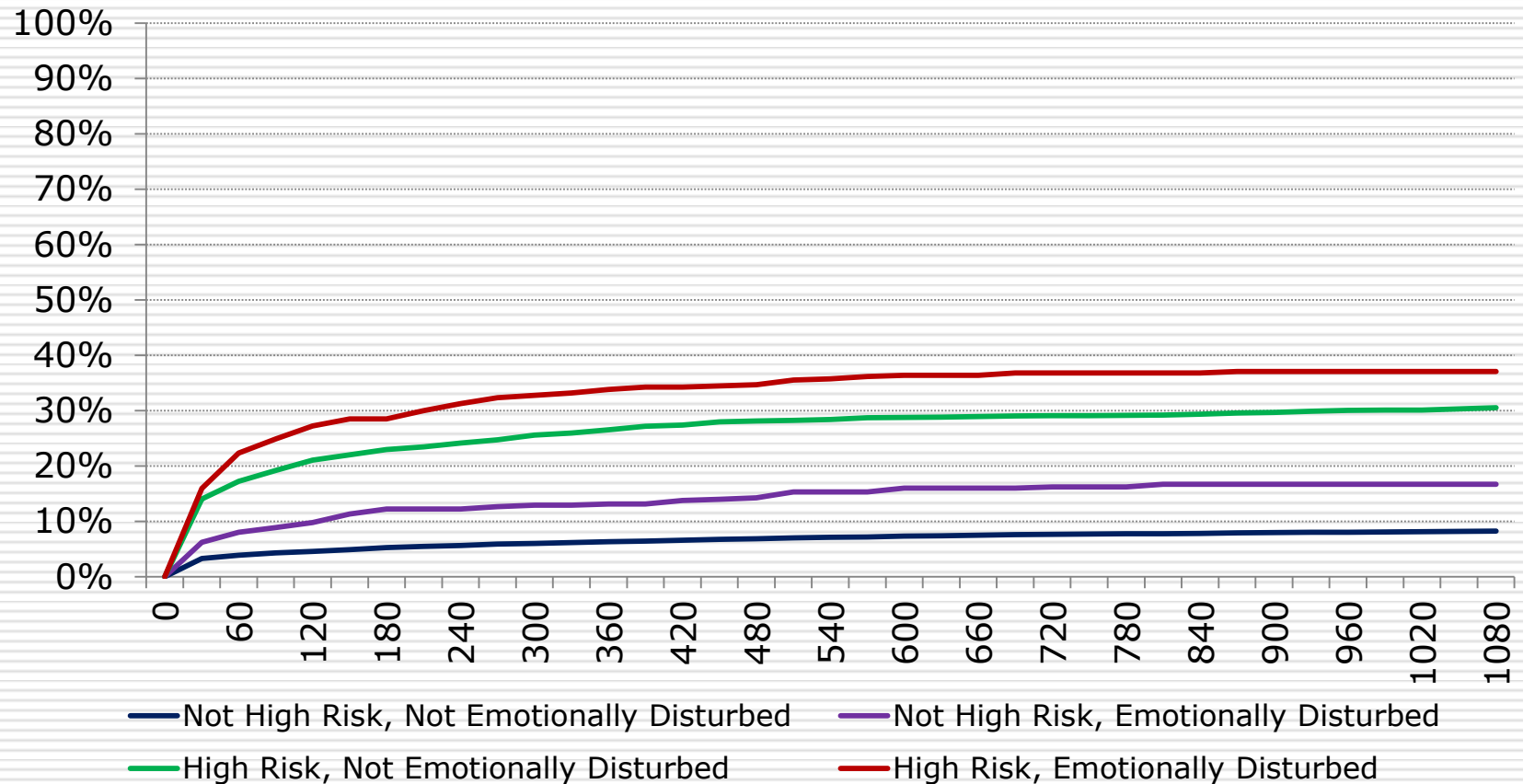
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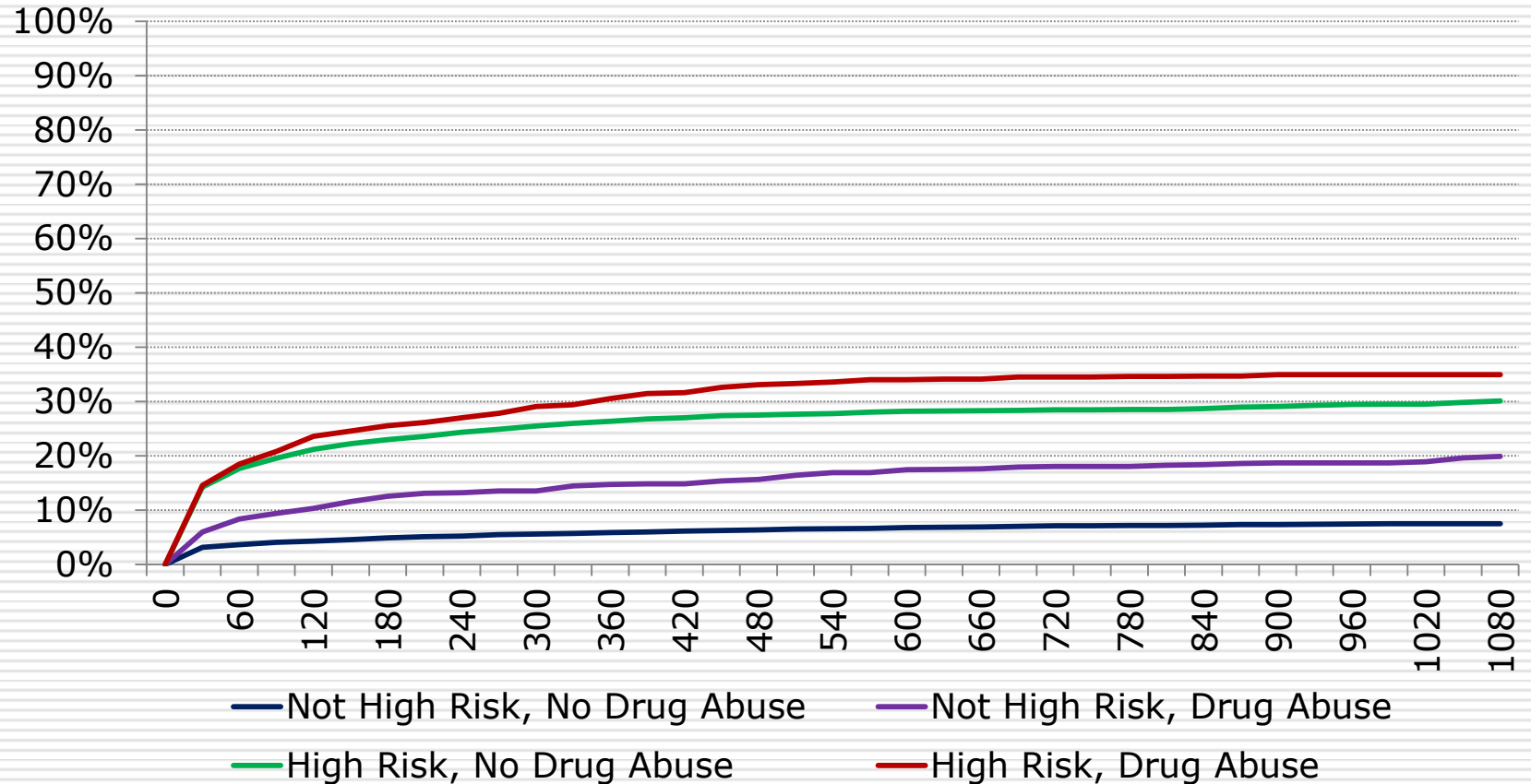
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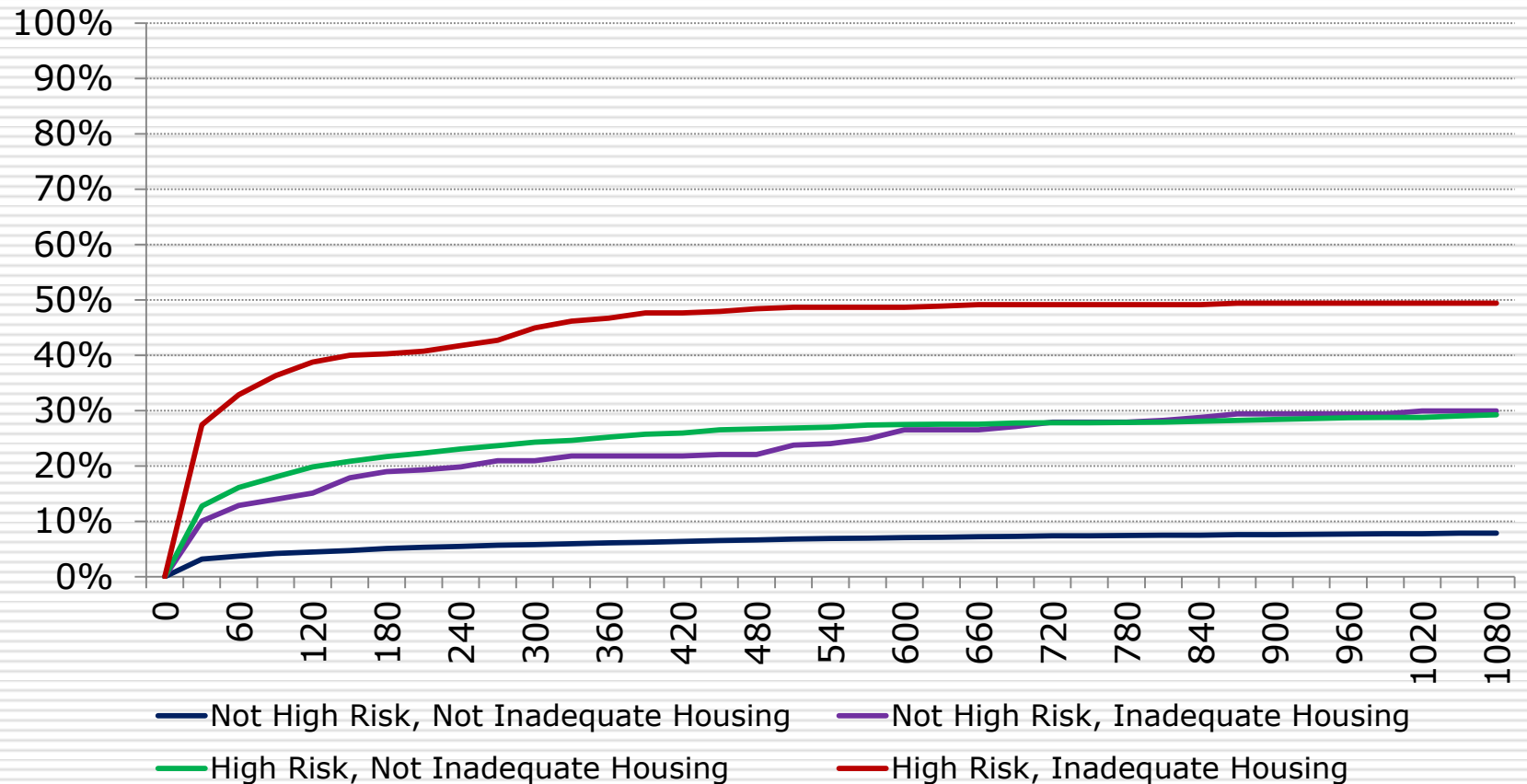
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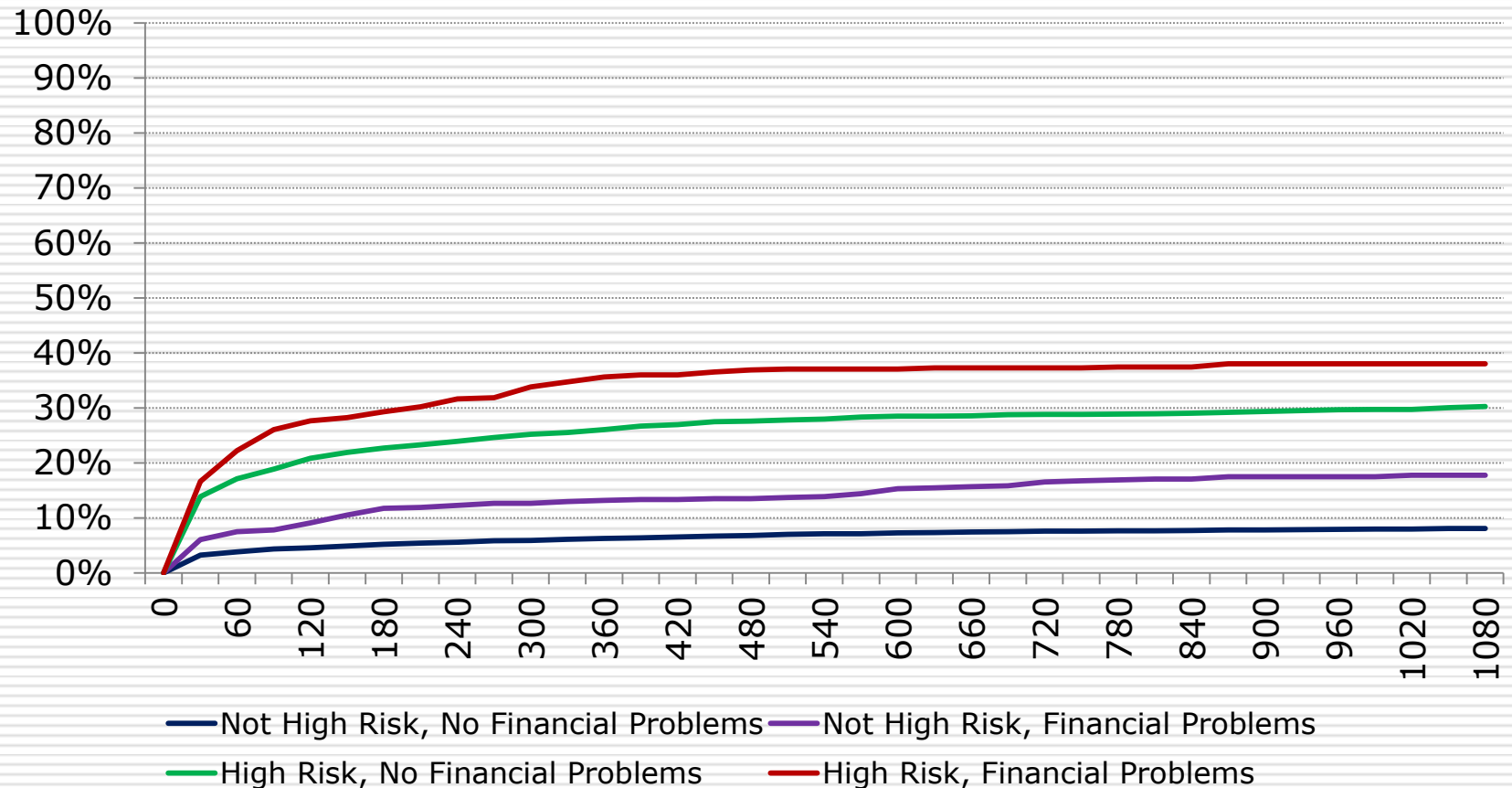
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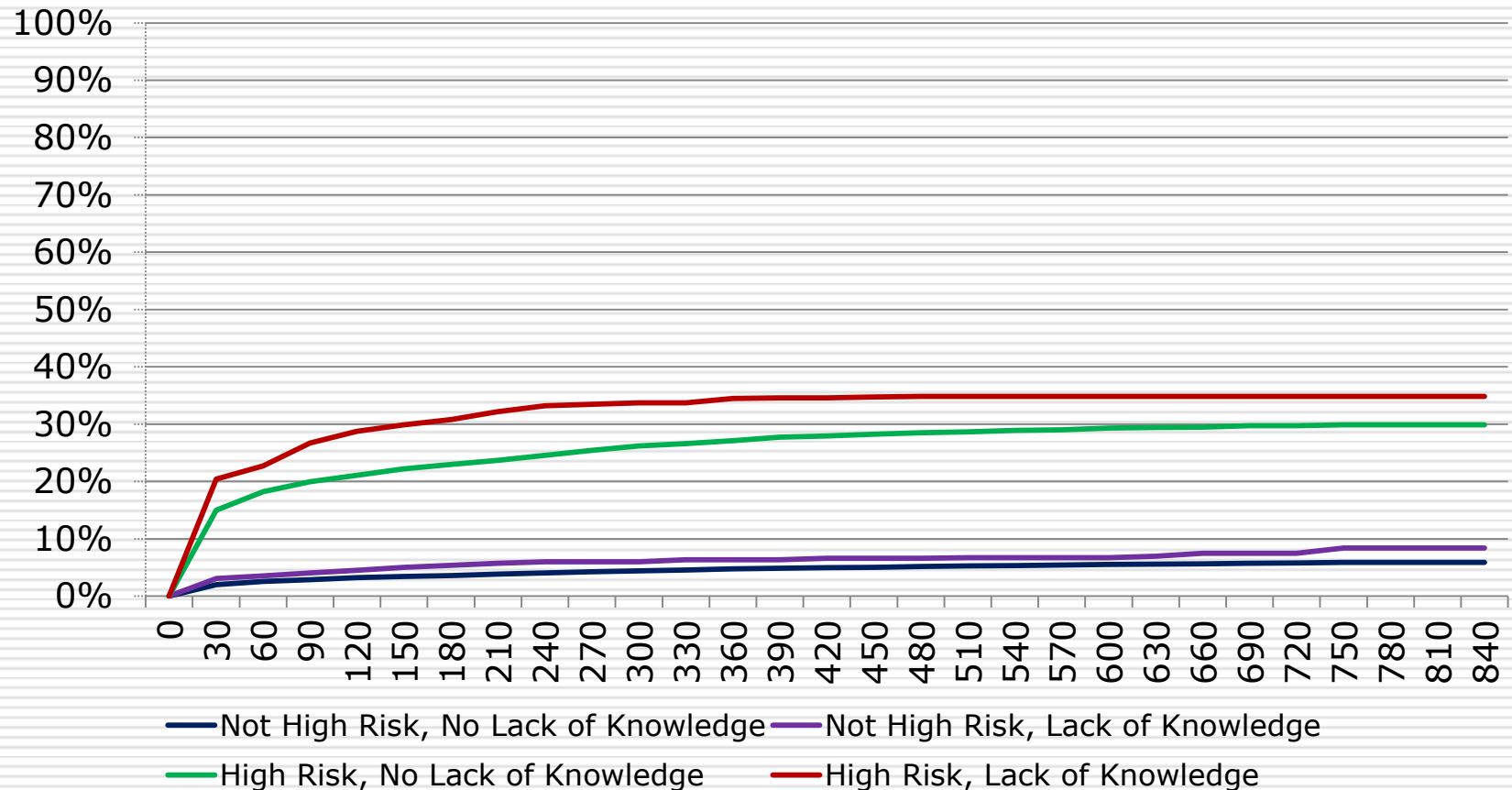
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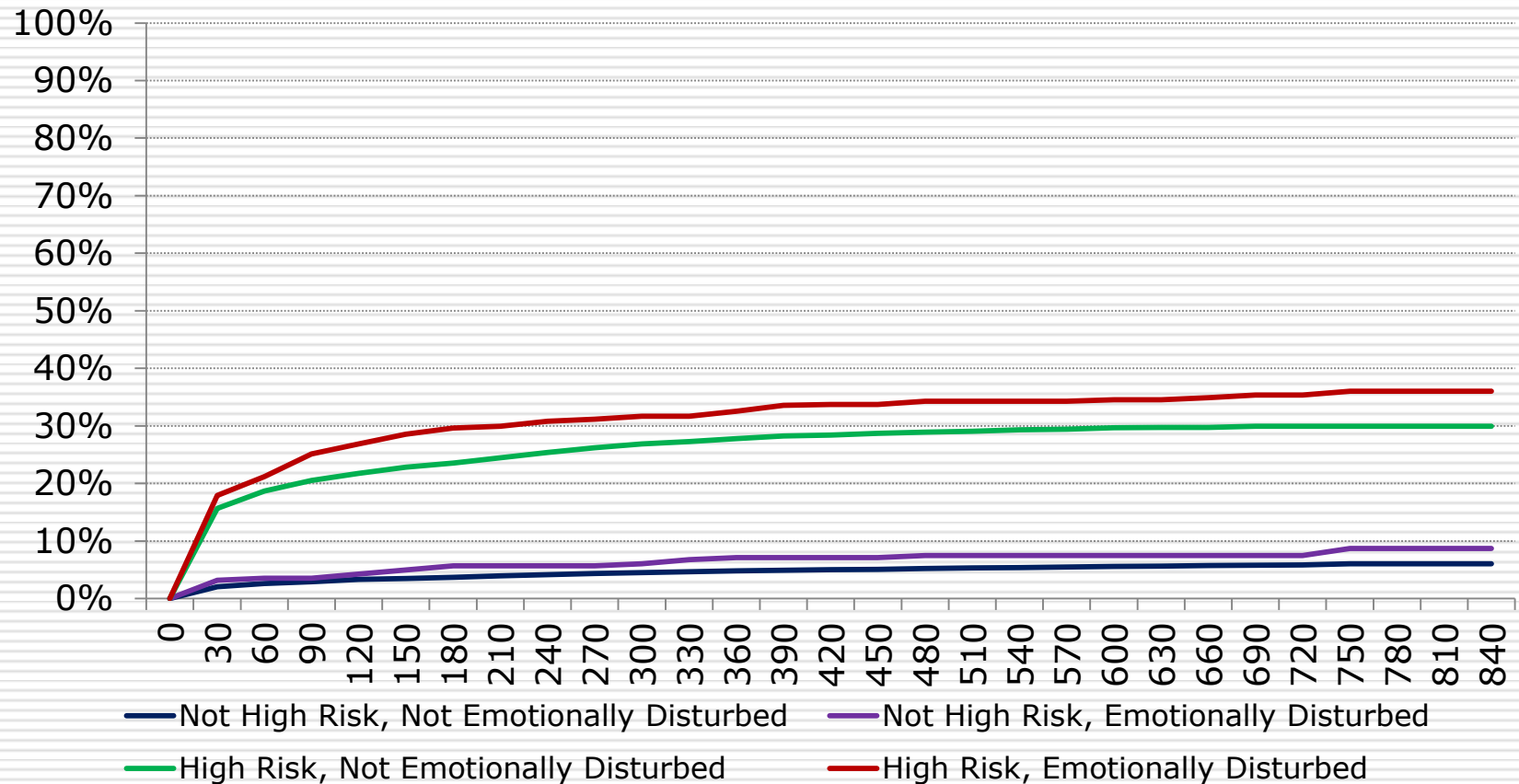
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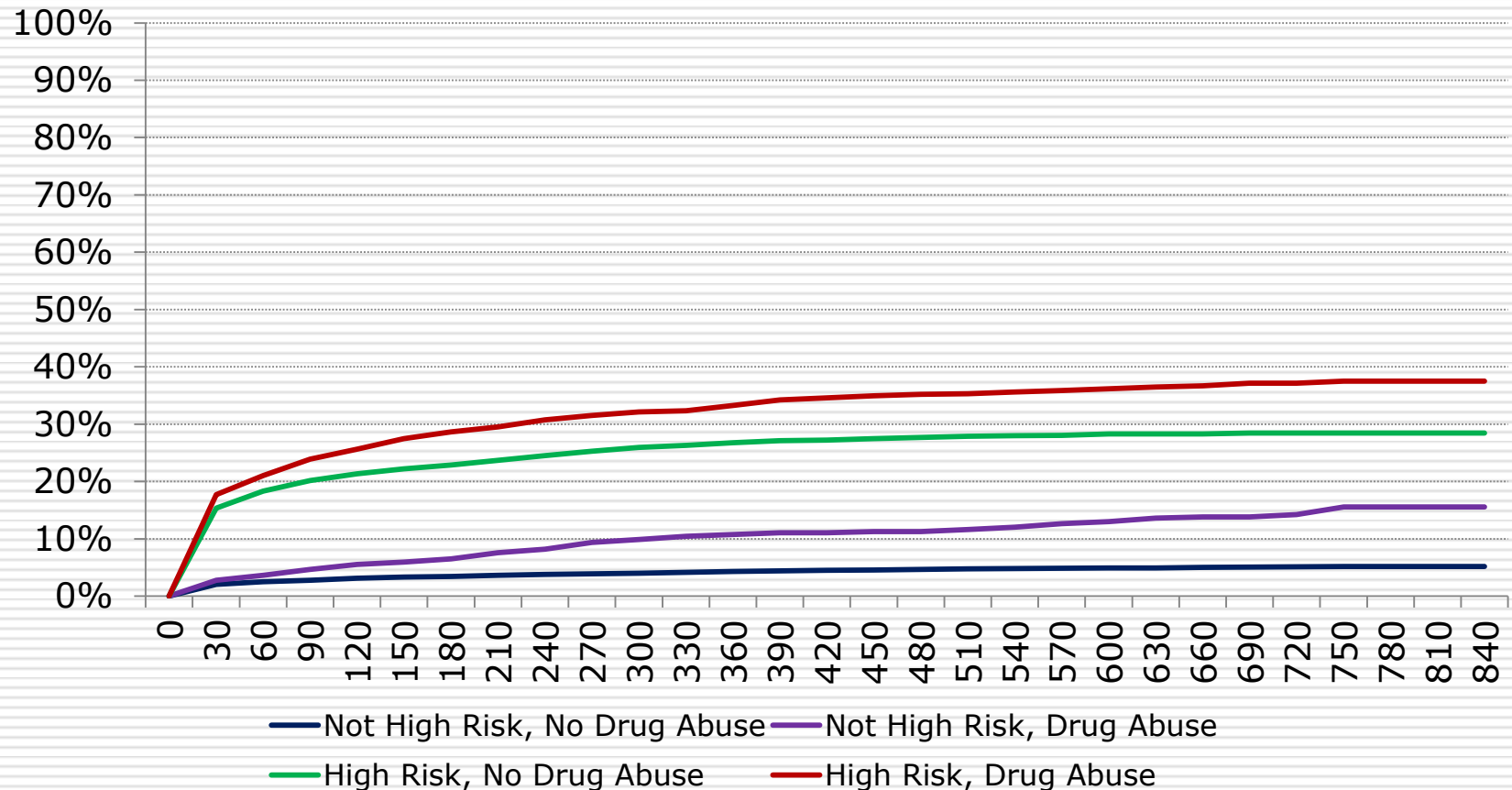
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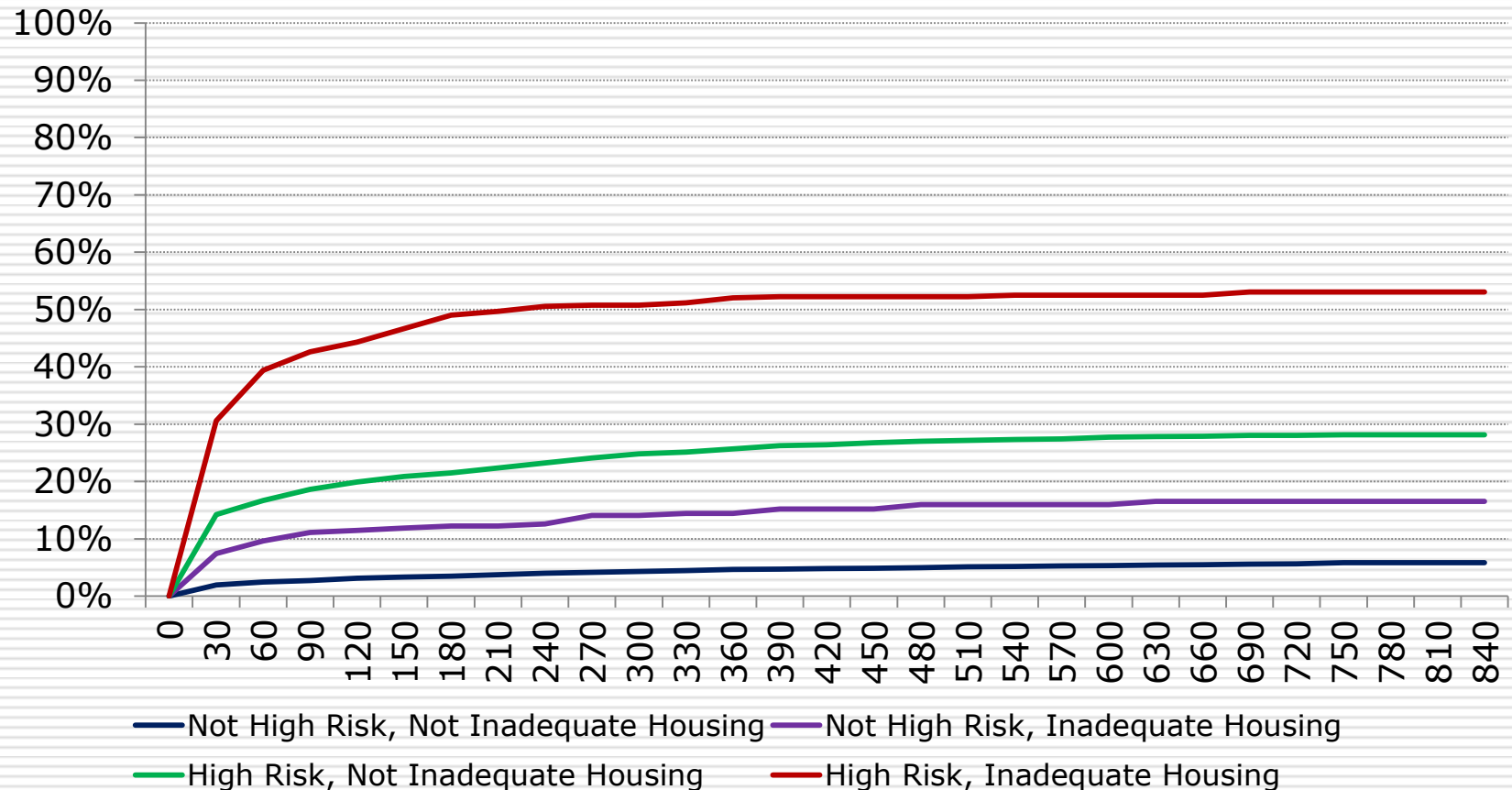
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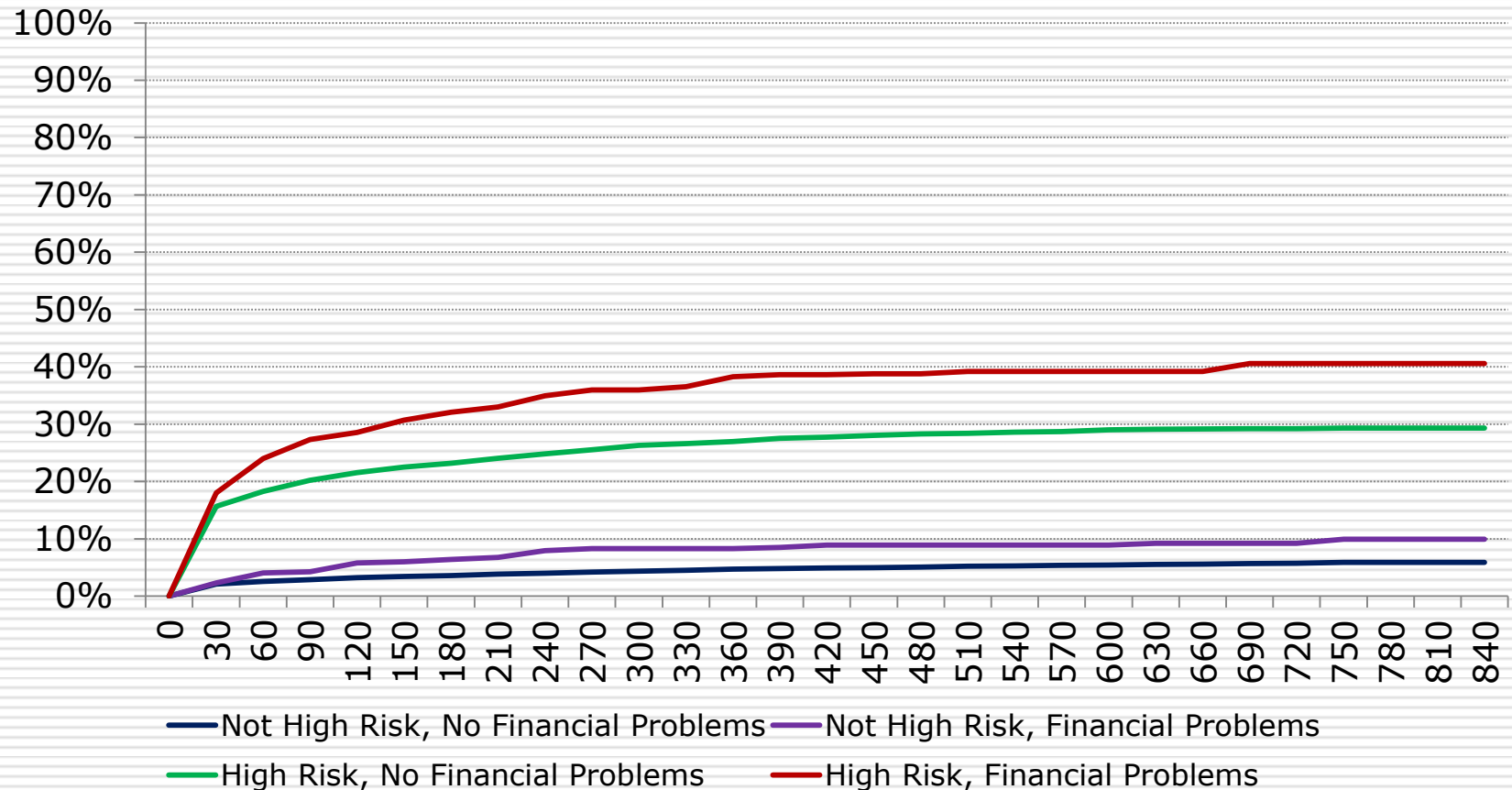
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Summary

- ❑ North Carolina performs well on a number of CFSR data indicators
- ❑ Some of the areas where the performance is weak could be due to bringing into care only those children that can't be otherwise served
- ❑ The number of initial entries to care is falling as is the number of children in care



Summary

- ❑ The state spends a little less than \$6 million per month on licensed care
- ❑ Slightly less than a third of that comes from federal funds
- ❑ The number of children with a report of maltreatment has been gradually increasing



Summary

- While about 1.5% of the children with a first ever report of maltreatment enter care within 30 days, that increases to about 12% for children who are found to be maltreated
- Contributory factors associated with entries into care include inadequate housing, caretaker drug abuse, and caretaker lack of child development knowledge



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