

WASHINGTON STATE

**LEGISLATIVE BRIEFING
RACIAL DISPROPORTIONALITY
IN JUVENILE JUSTICE**

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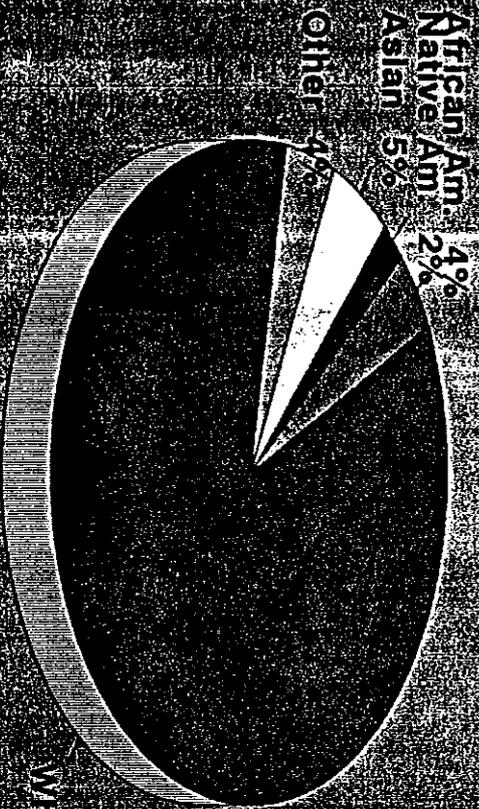
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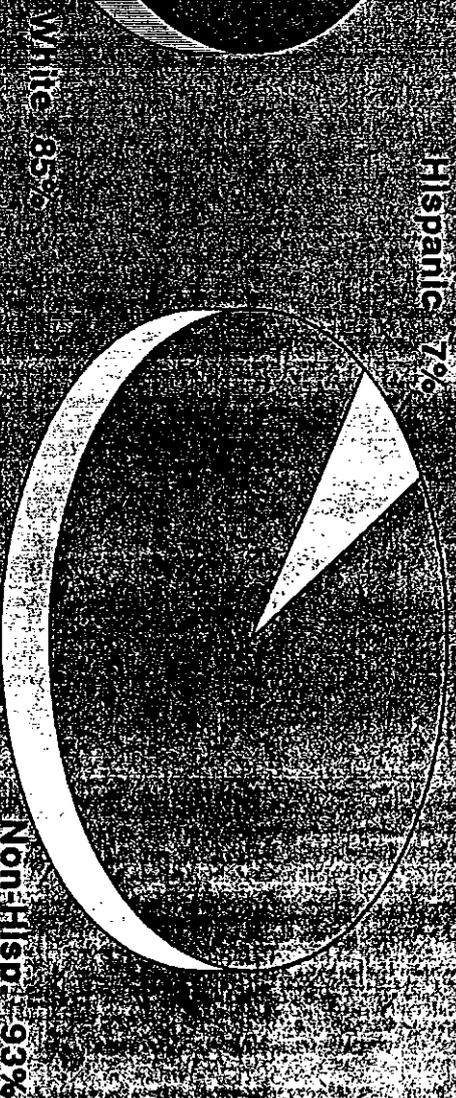
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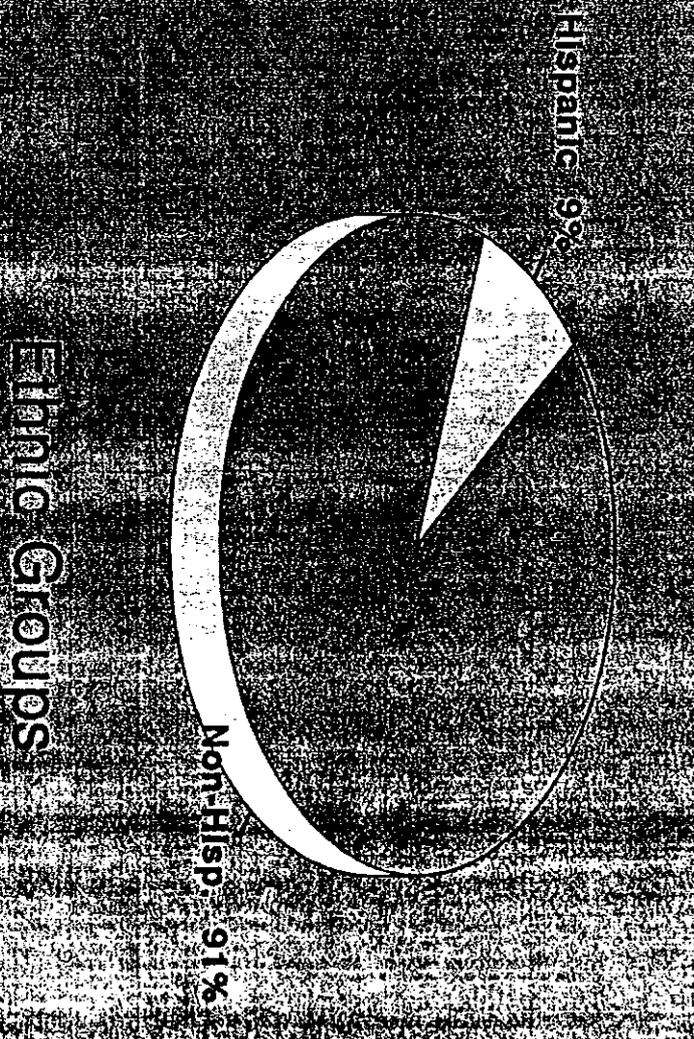
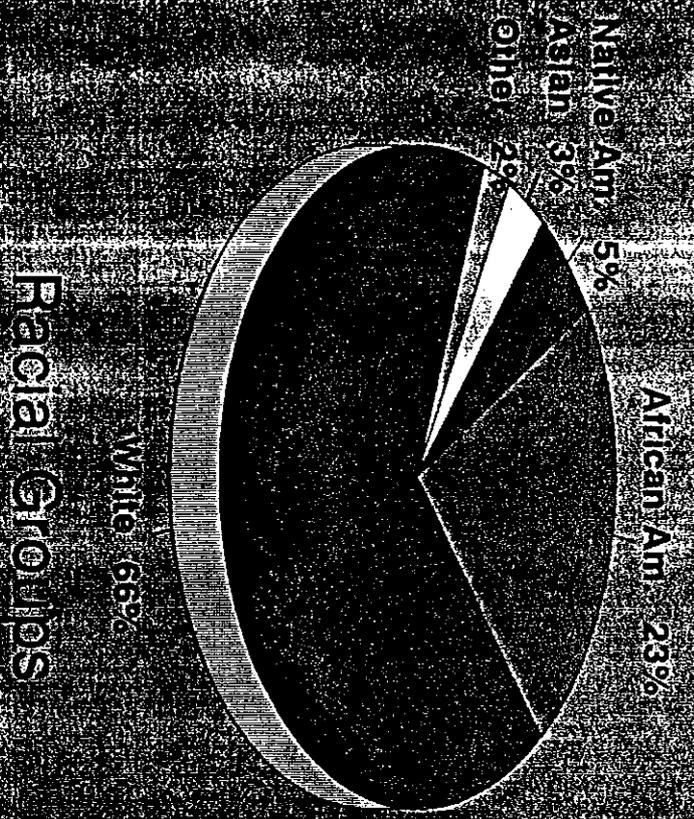


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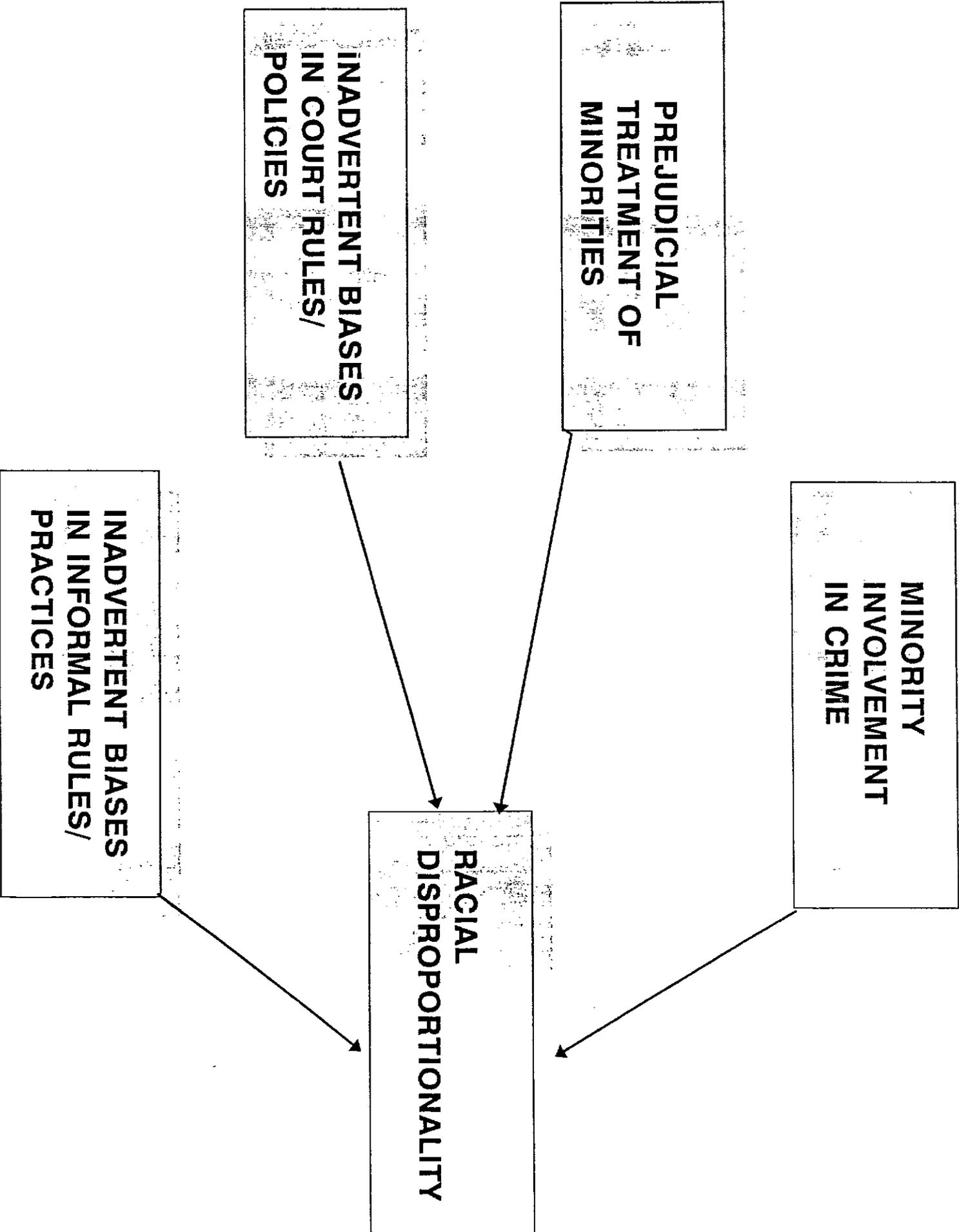
Ethnic Groups

CHARACTERISTICS OF YOUTH CONFINED WASHINGTON STATE



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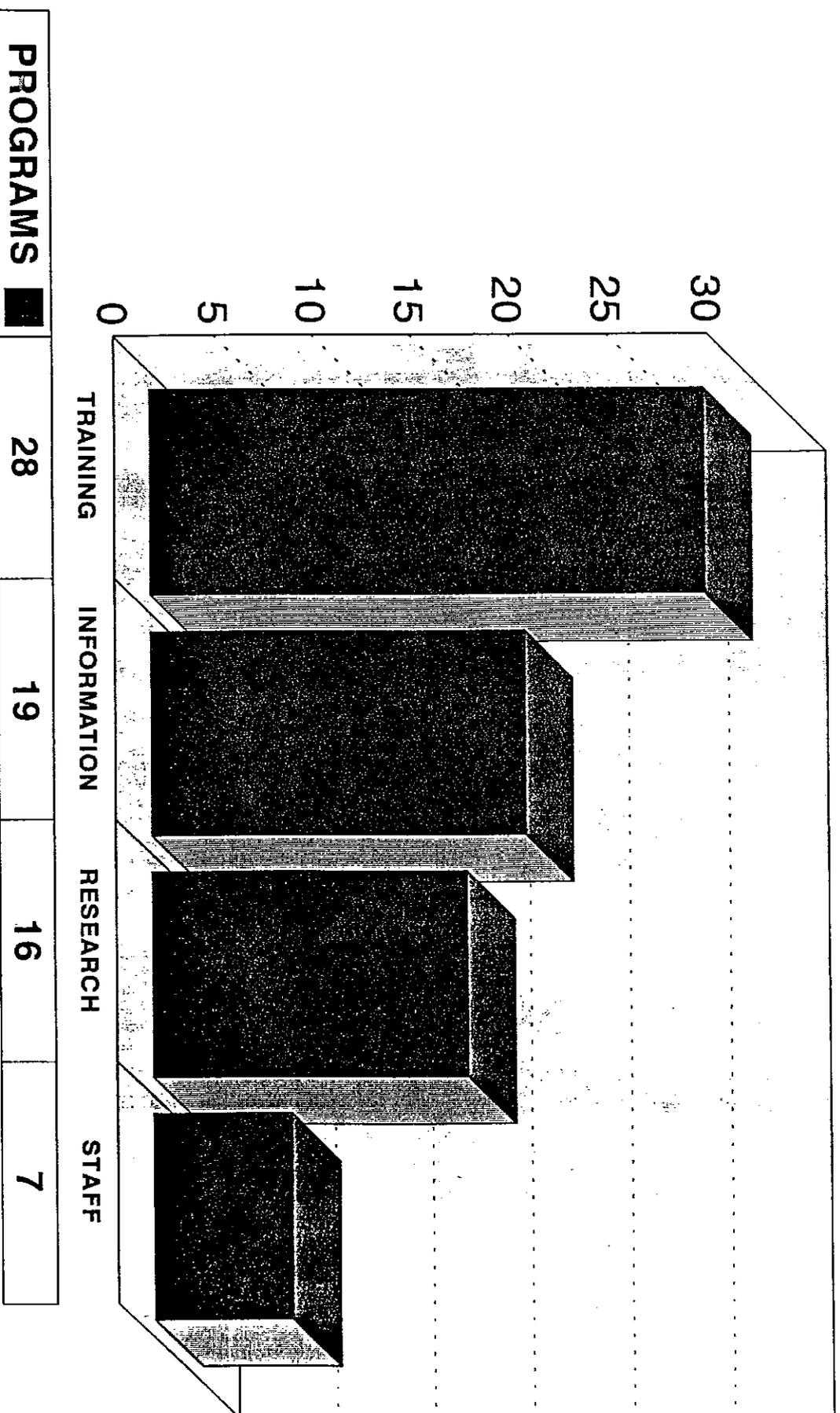
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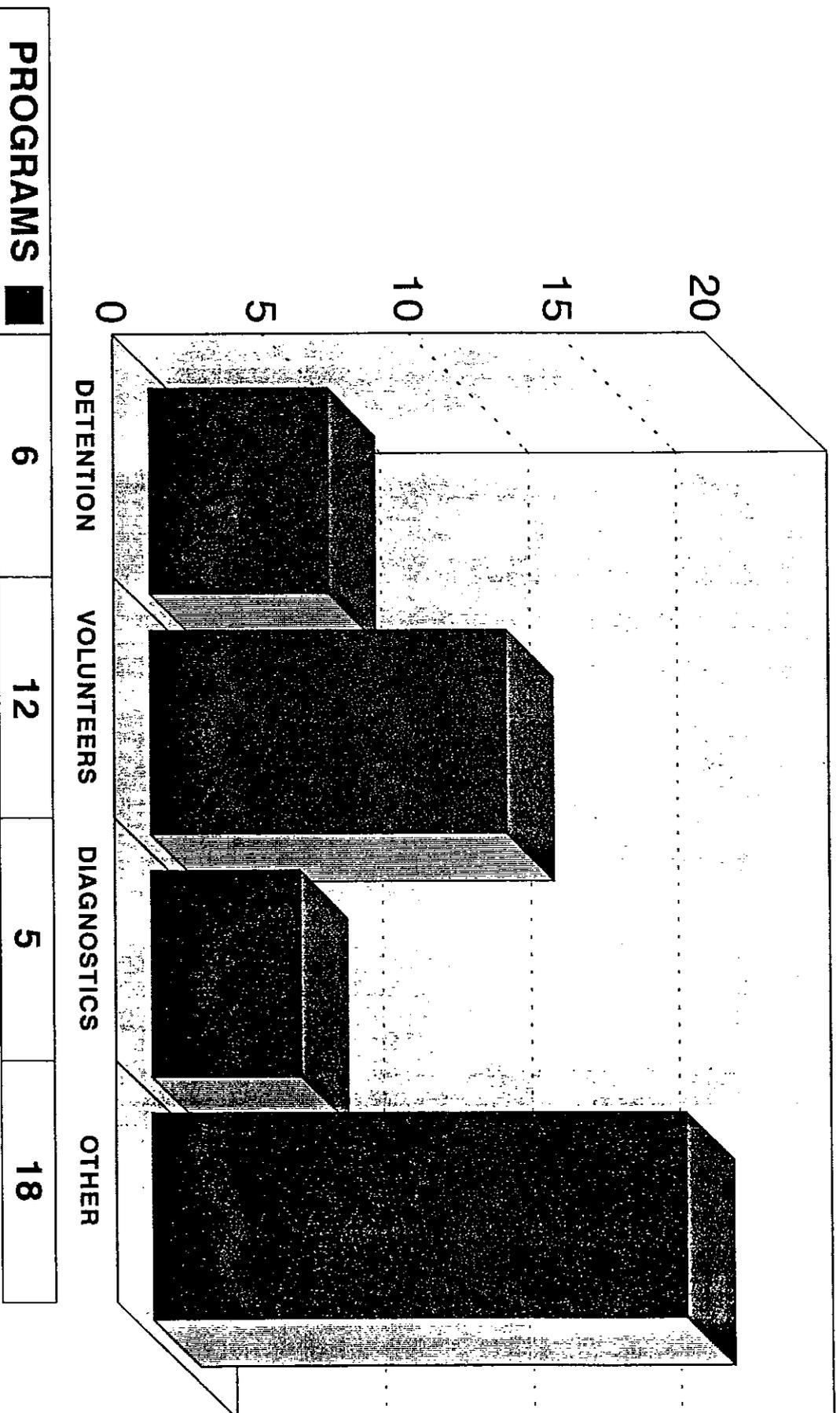
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**PREJUDICIAL
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**RACIAL
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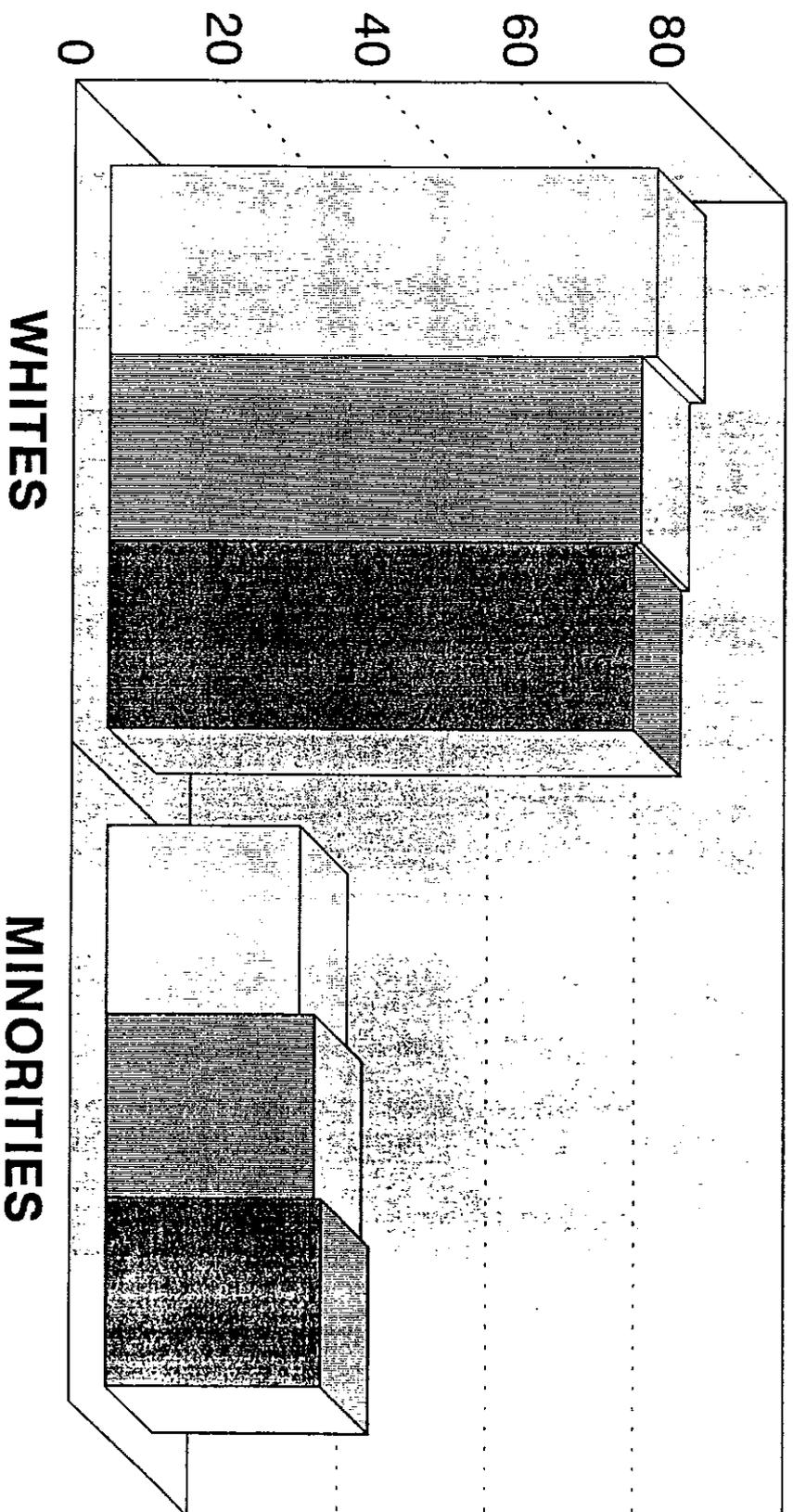


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RACIAL COMPOSITION OF JUVENILE ARRESTS

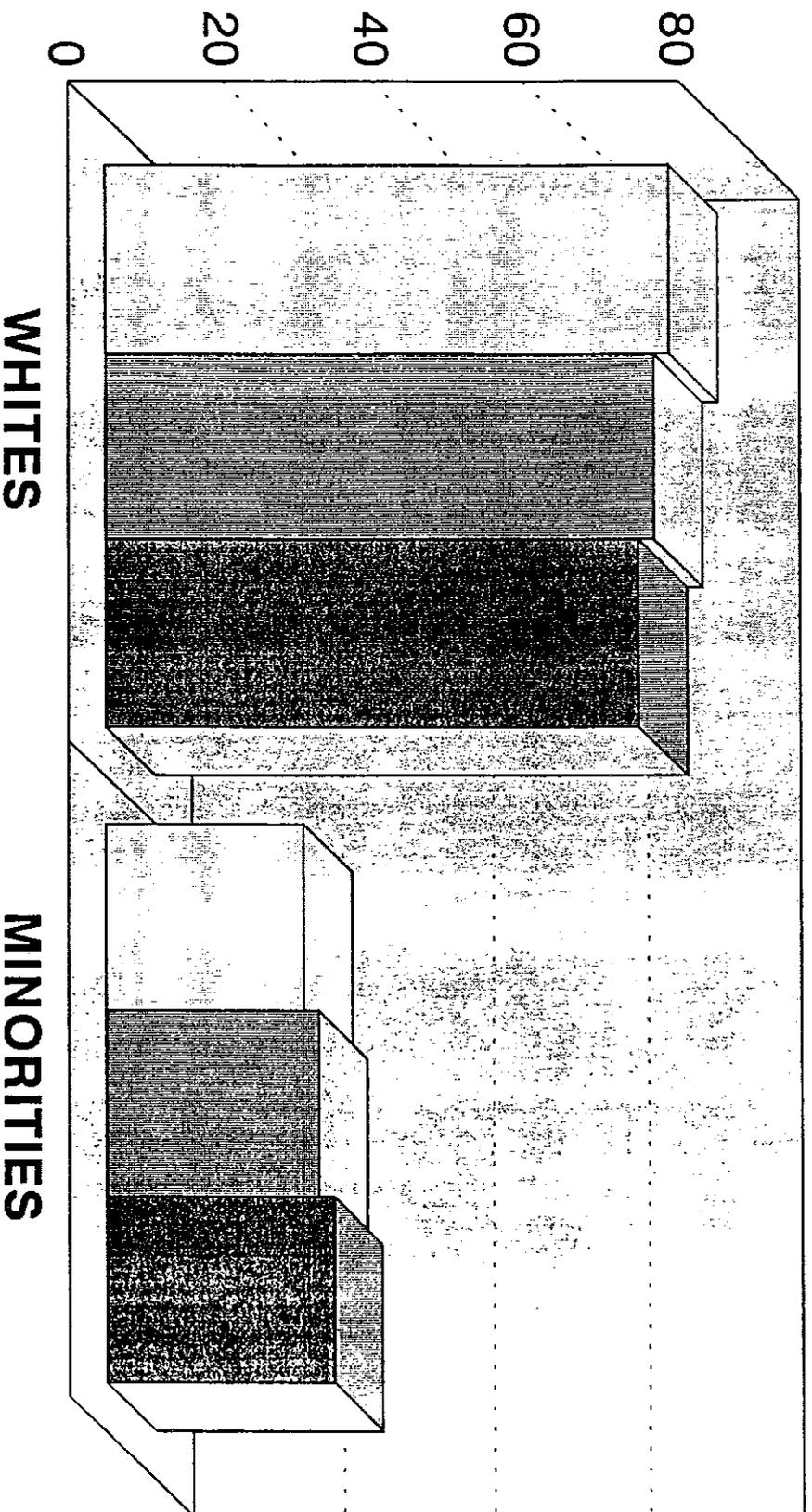
PERCENT MINORITY



Year	Whites (%)	Minorities (%)
1991	74	26
1992	72	28
1993	71	29

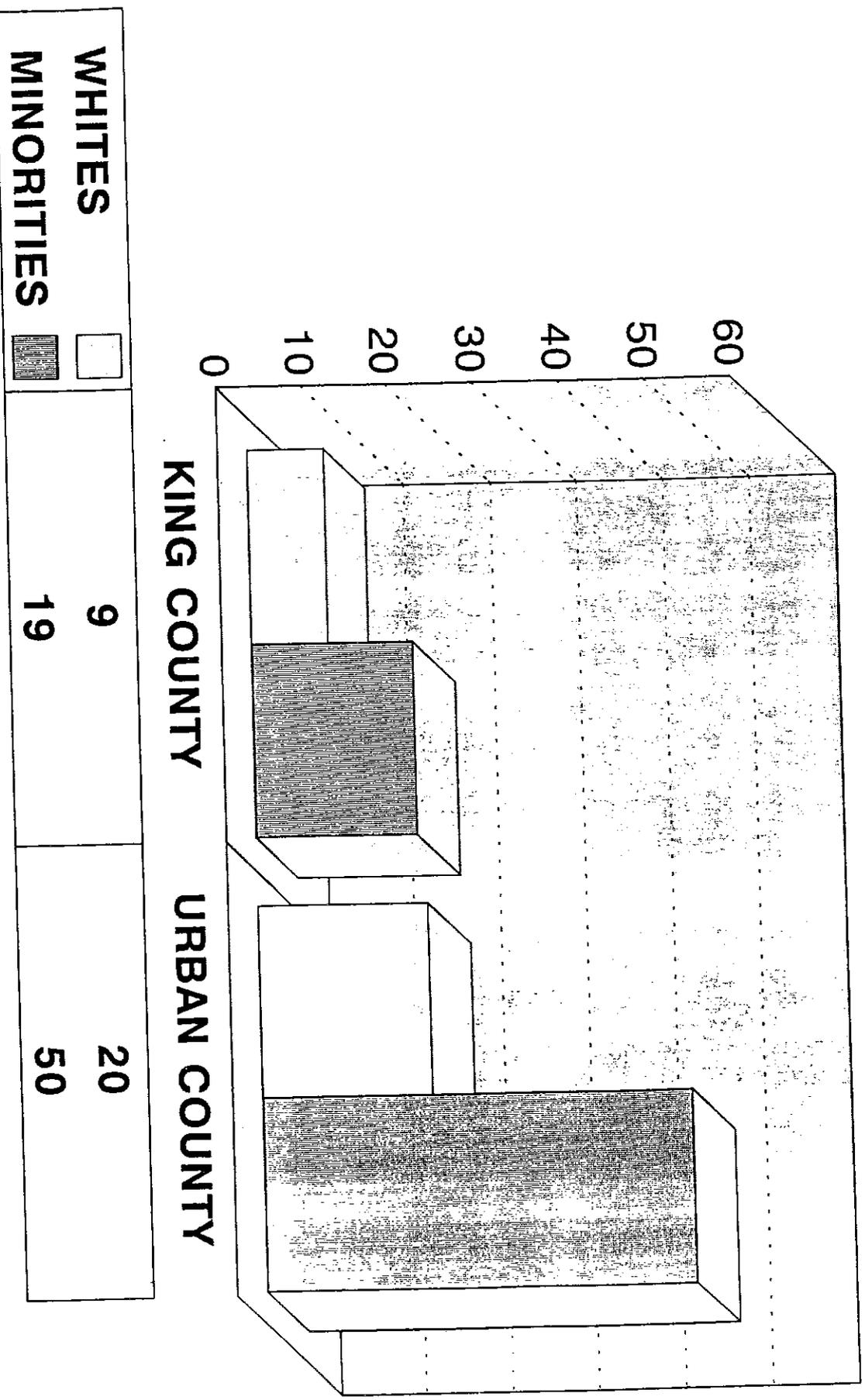
RACIAL COMPOSITION OF JUVENILE PROSECUTIONS

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LEVELS OF DISPROPORTIONALITY AT PROSECUTION PERCENT PROSECUTED FOR CRIMES



1991 ADJUSTED PERCENTAGES OF YOUTH PROSECUTED