



BUILDING ALASKA'S PREVENTION ECOSYSTEM

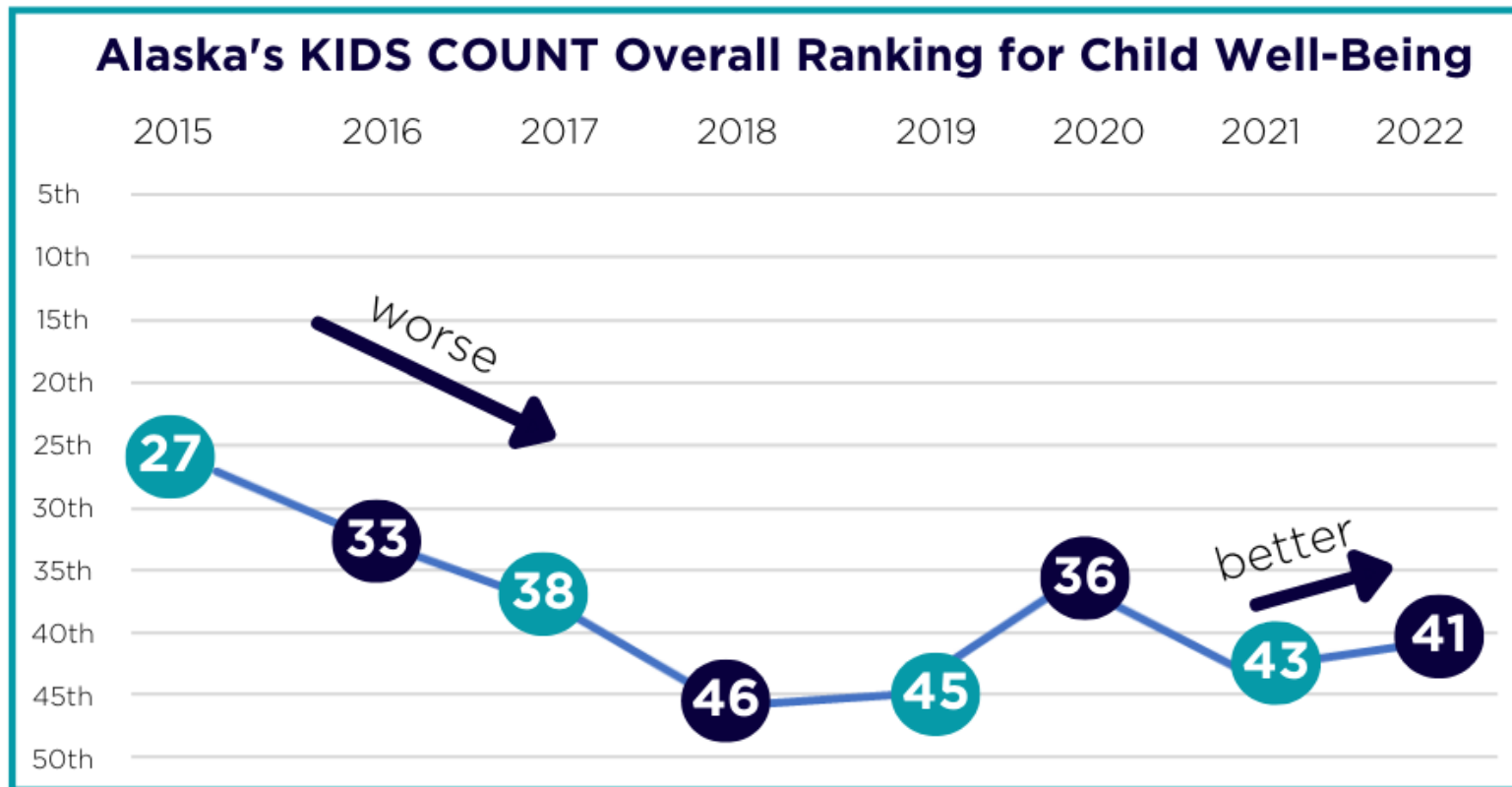
A comprehensive and collaborative system to ensure children, youth, and families thrive.



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Trevor Storrs, President & CEO

How Are Alaska's Children Doing?



2023
National
KIDS COUNT
Ranking
38

Source: KIDS COUNT Data Books, Annie E. Casey Foundation, 2015-2022

KIDS COUNT

EDUCATION



49th

HEALTH



44th

ECONOMIC WELL-BEING



44th

FAMILY & COMMUNITY



22nd



2022 KIDS COUNT – Education Core Indicators



62%
(2009-2011)

↓

59%
(2017-2019)

BETTER

Young Children (Ages 3 & 4) Not in School

73%
(2009)

↑

75%
(2019)

WORSE

4th Graders Not Proficient in Reading

67%
(2009)

↑

71%
(2019)

WORSE

8th Graders Not Proficient in Math

29%
(2013-2014)

↓

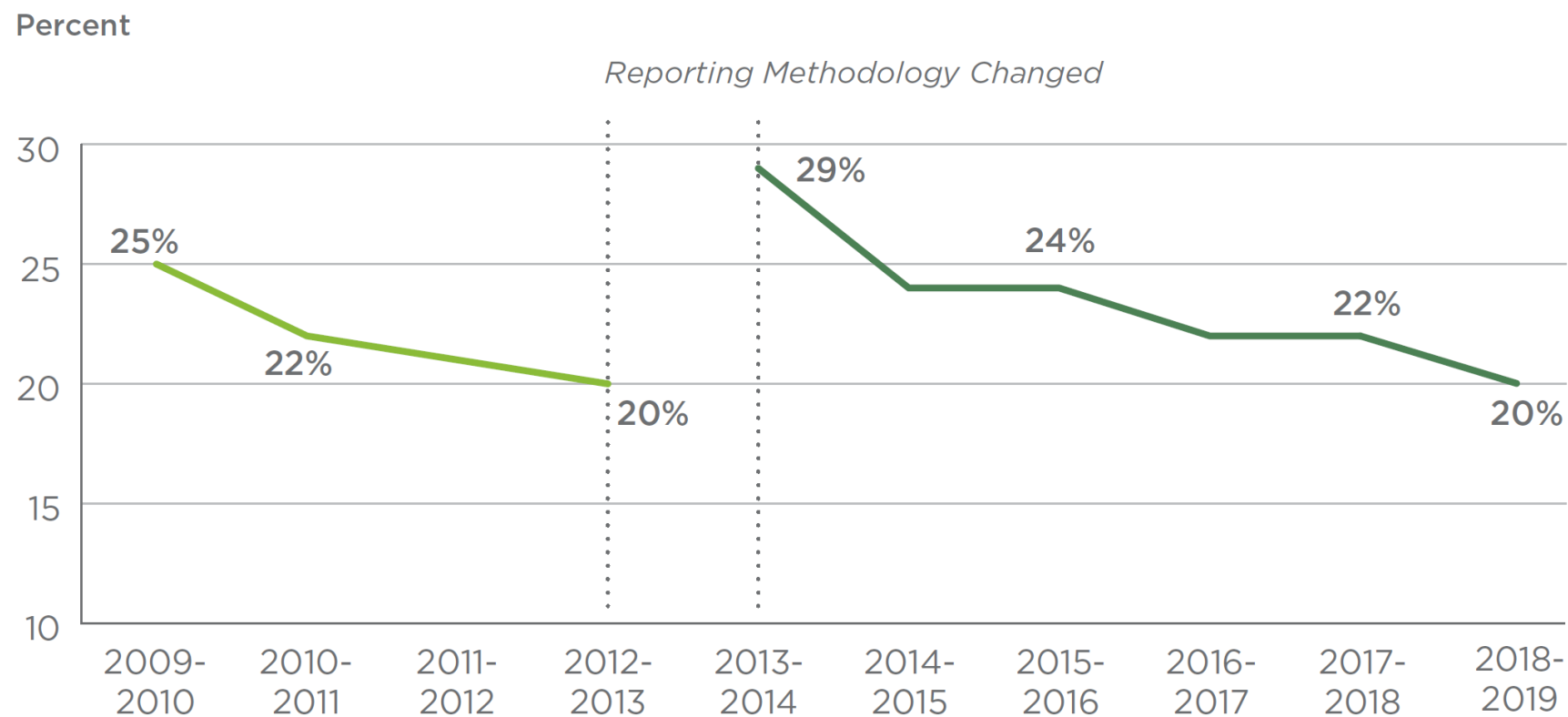
20%
(2018-2019)

BETTER

High School Students Not Graduating on Time



High School Students Not Graduating on Time



Over the past decade, Alaska significantly improved its on-time high school graduations, reducing the proportion of those not graduating on time by 31% (9 percentage points) since 2013-2014.

Figure 8. High School Students Not Graduating on Time, Alaska (Percent)

Source: Population Reference Bureau, analysis of data from the U.S. Dept. of Education. U.S. Dept. of Education, National Center for Education Statistics, Common Core of Data (CCD), State Dropout and Completion Data: 2005-2006 - 2012-2013. Analysis of data from U.S. Dept. of Education's Institute of Education Sciences (IES), National Center for Education Statistics (NCES), Digest of Education Statistics for 2013-2014 - 2018-2019. Retrieved from KIDS COUNT Data Center.



Kindergarten Readiness

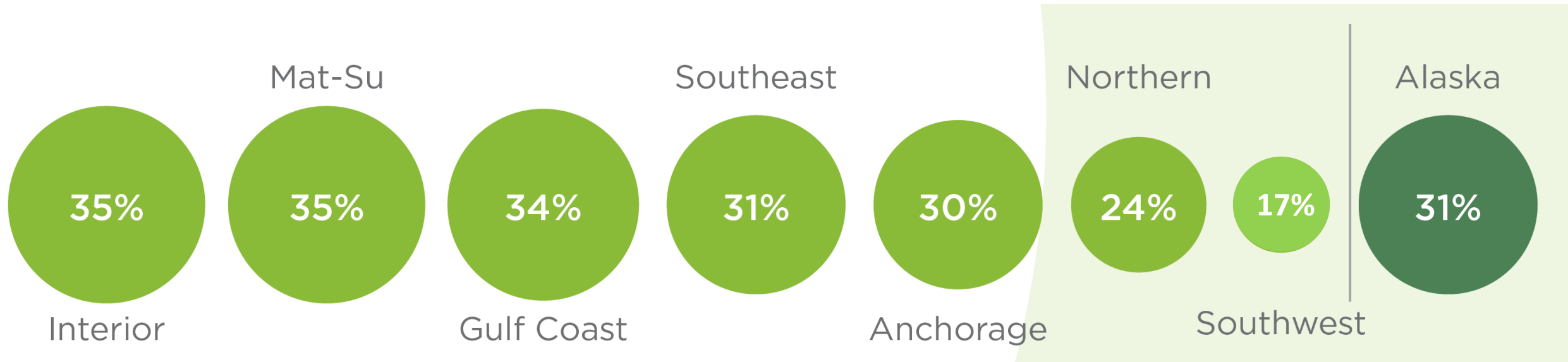


Figure 10. Kindergarten Readiness, by Region (at least 11 goals met out of 13), 2021-2022 (Percent)

Source: AK Dept. of Education and Early Development. Retrieved from: KIDS COUNT Data Center

Note: Smaller school districts may be excluded from regional reports due to suppression or unstable statistics.

Note: Percentages are Appendix Table 11 and Table 12 added together, representing portion of children meeting 11, 12, or 13 of 13 goals.



4th Grade Reading & 8th Grade Math Proficiency



73%
(2009)

↑

75%
(2019)

WORSE

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(2009)

↑

71%
(2019)

WORSE

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2022 KIDS COUNT – Health Core Indicators



5.7%
(2010) ↑ 6.6%
(2020)

WORSE

Low Birth Weight Babies

43%
(2010) ↑ 46%
(2020)

WORSE

Child and Teen Deaths per 100,000

13%
(2010) ↓ 8%
(2021)

BETTER

Children Without Health Insurance

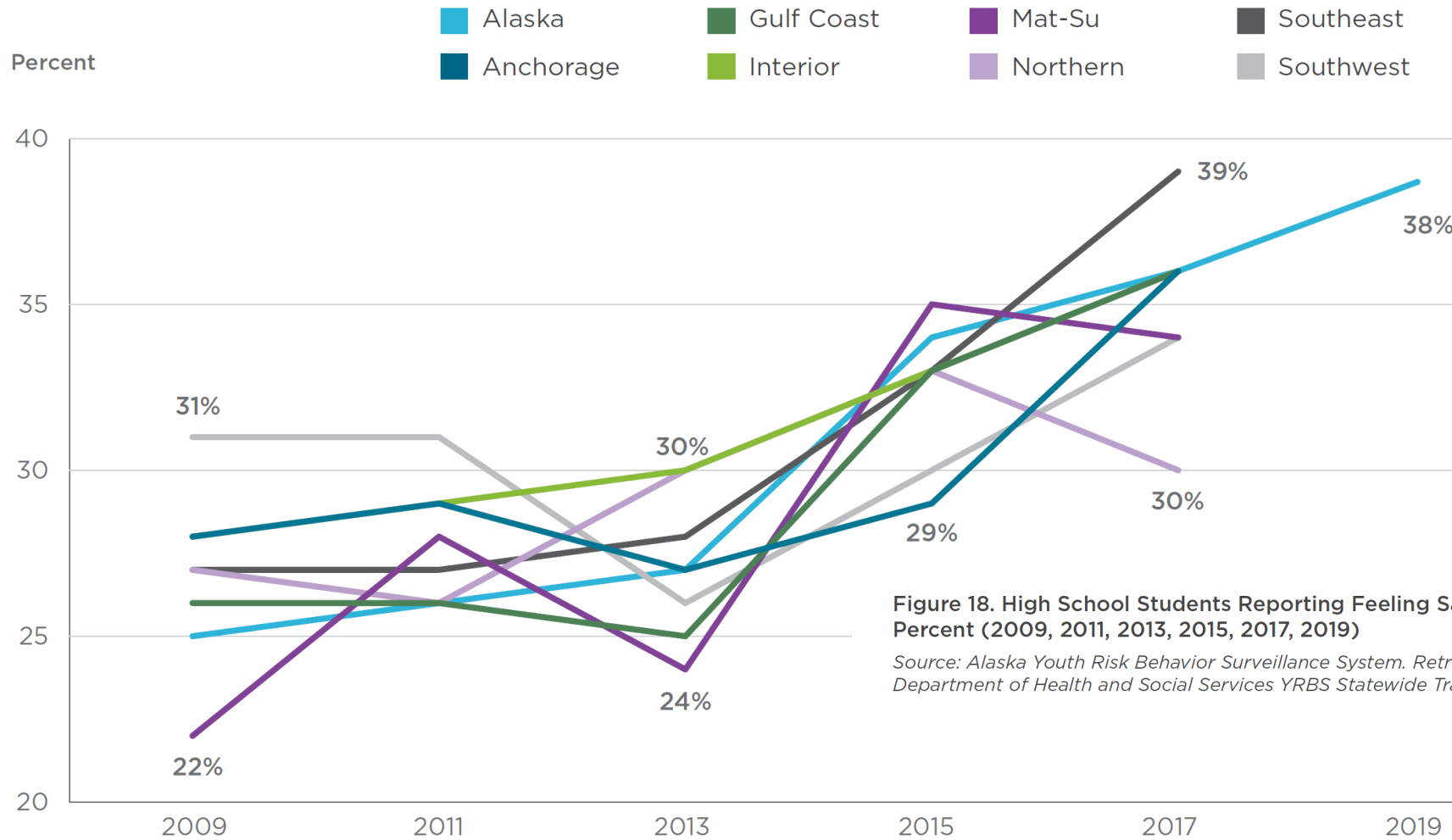
25%
(2016-2017) ↑ 32%
(2019-2020)

WORSE

Children Who Are Overweight or Obese



High School Students Feeling Sad or Hopeless



Teen Alcohol and Drug Misuse



Percent

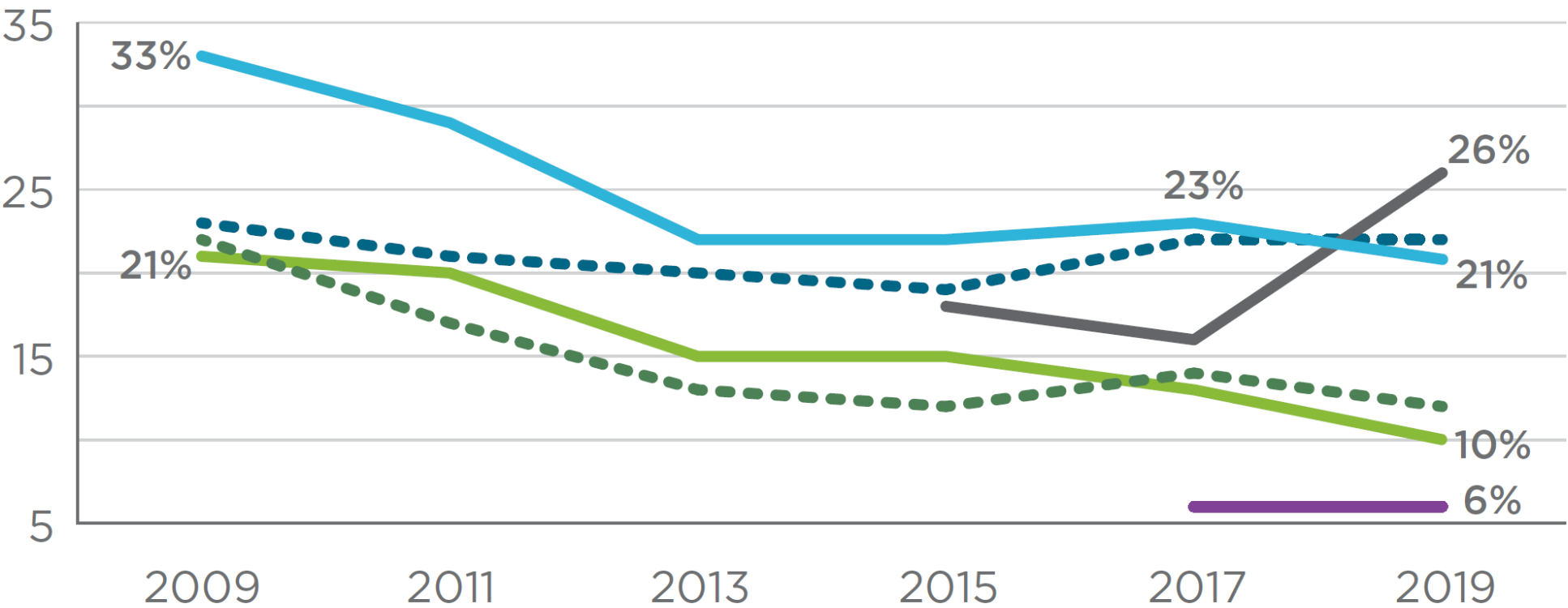


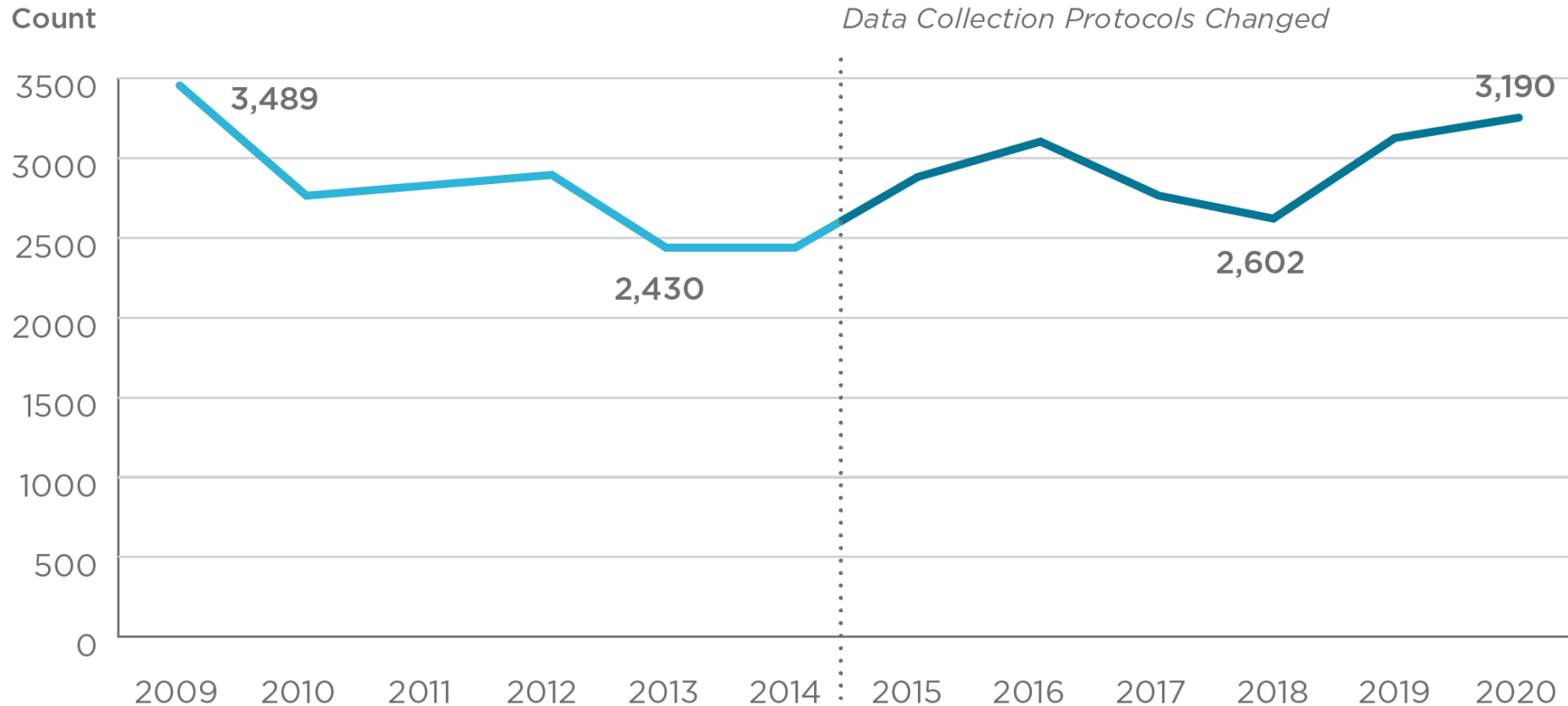
Figure 23. Substance Use in Past Month Among High School Students, Percent (2009, 2011, 2013, 2015, 2017, 2019)

Source: Alaska Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance System. Retrieved from: KIDS COUNT Data Center
 Note: Statewide data are for traditional high school students; data for regions are for traditional, alternative, and correctional high school students. The 2021 Alaska Youth Risk Survey was canceled due to the challenges Alaska school districts were facing during the COVID-19 pandemic. The next Alaska YRBS is scheduled for the 2022-2023 school year.

- Alcohol
- Marijuana
- Tobacco
- Binge Drinking
- Vaping
- RX Meds



Child Maltreatment



Source: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Administration for Children and Families, Administration on Children, Youth and Families, Children's Bureau; Population Division, U.S. Census Bureau. Retrieved from: KIDS COUNT Data Center

Figure 12. Count of Children Confirmed by Child Protective Services as Victims of Maltreatment (2009-2020)



2022 KIDS COUNT – Economic Well-Being Core Indicators



14%

(2012)



12%

(2021)

BETTER

Children in Poverty

34%

(2012)



30%

(2021)

BETTER

Children Living in Households with a High Housing Cost Burden

36%

(2012)



34%

(2021)

BETTER

Children Whose Parents Lack Secure Employment

10%

(2009)



14%

(2019)

WORSE

Teens Not in School and Not Working



Children In Poverty



Percent

Alaska
United States

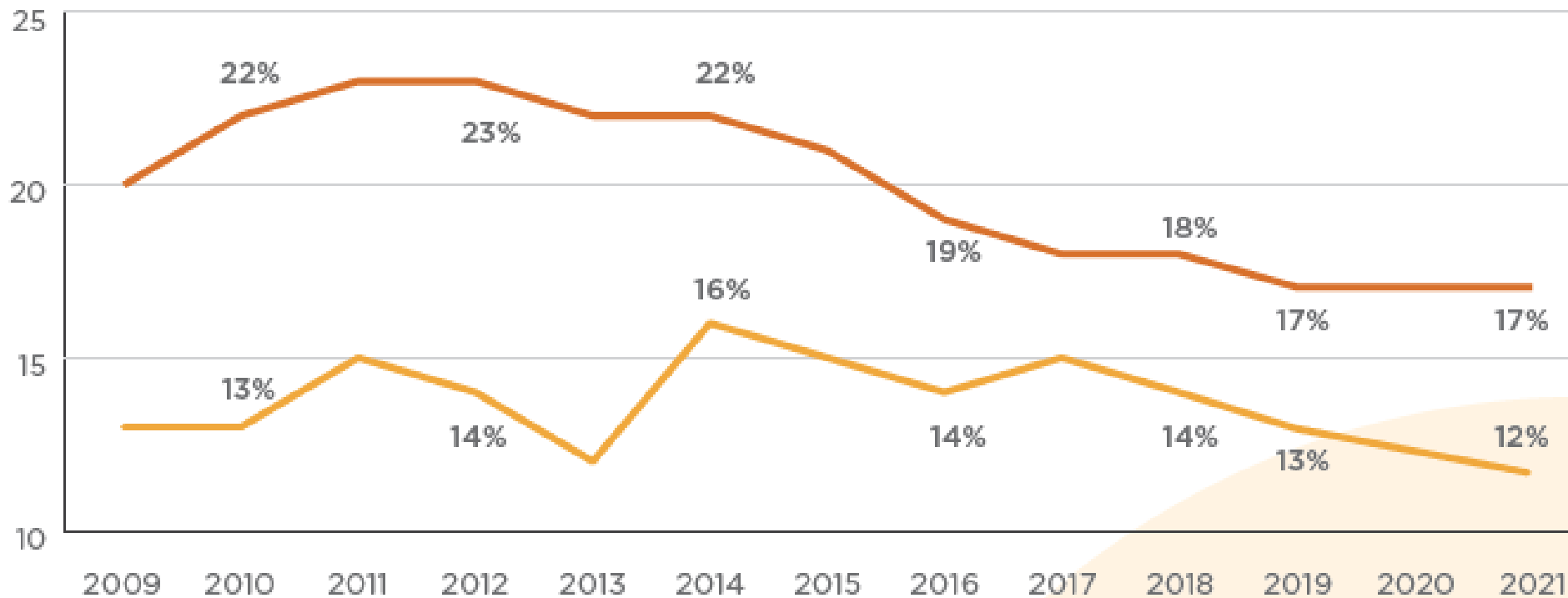


Figure 1. Percent of Children in Poverty (100 % of povertythe Federal Poverty Level), Alaska and U.S., 2009-2019 & 2021

Source: Population Reference Bureau, data analysis from the U.S. Census Bureau, Census 2000 Supplementary Survey, 2001 Supplementary Survey, 2002 through 2021 American Community Survey. Retrieved from: KIDS COUNT Data Center



High Housing Cost Burden

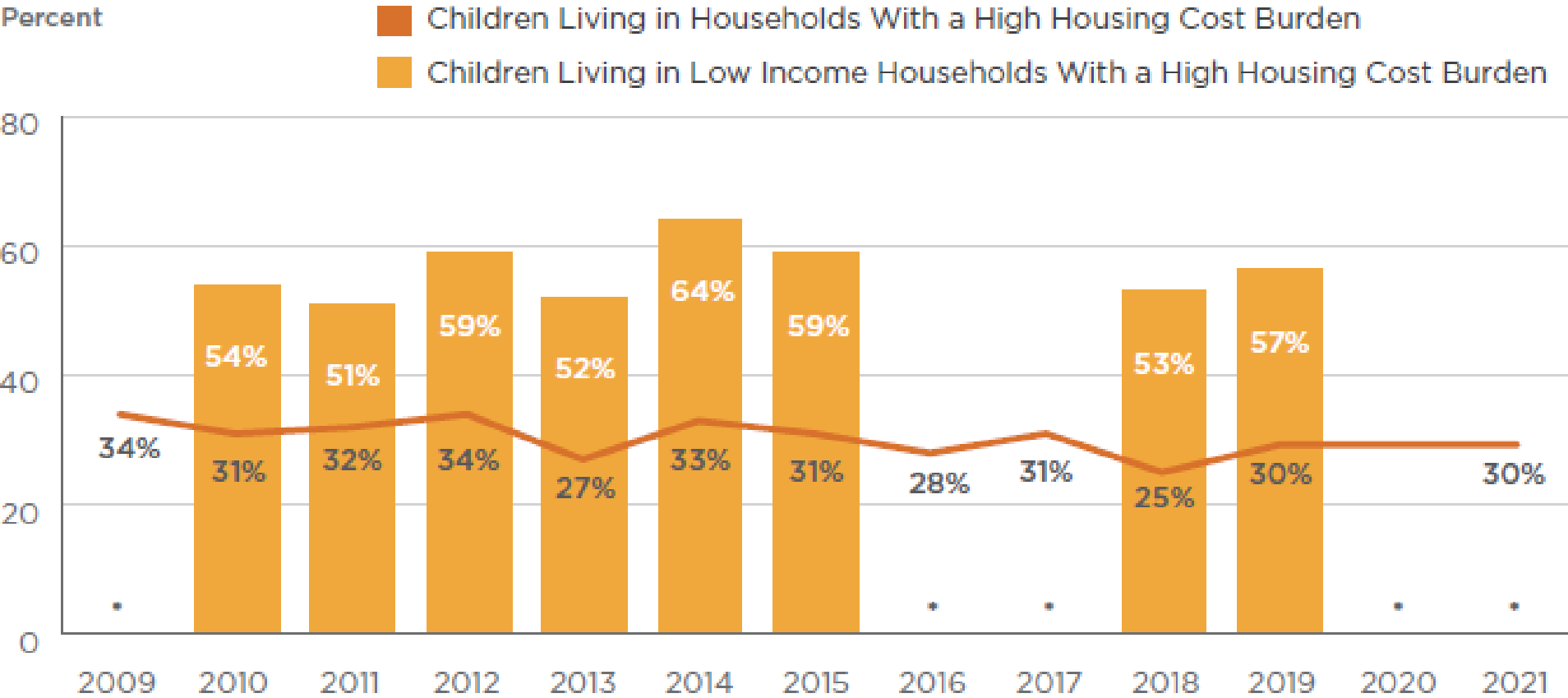


Figure 8. Alaska Children Living in Households and Low-Income Households with a High Housing Cost Burden, Percent, 2009-2019 & 2021

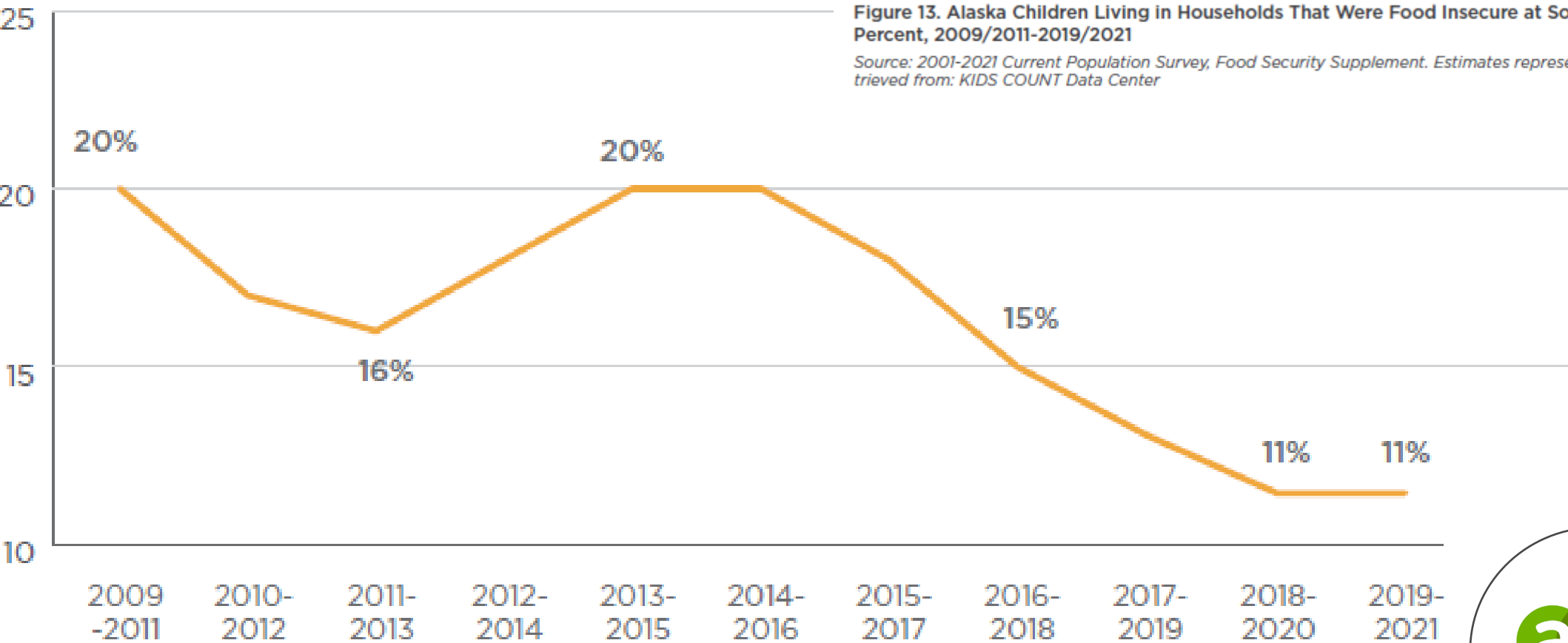
Source: Population Reference Bureau, data analysis from the U.S. Census Bureau, 2005 through 2021 American Community Survey. Retrieved from: KIDS COUNT Data Center. Note: Low-income households are households with incomes less than 200% of the federal poverty level.



Food Insecurity



Percent



2022 KIDS COUNT – Family & Community Core Indicators



32%

(2010)



30%

(2019)

BETTER

Children in Single-Parent Families

3%

(2009-2013)



7%

(2016-2020)

WORSE

Children Living in High-Poverty Areas

10%

(2010)



8%

(2019)

BETTER

Children in Families Where the Household Head Lacks a Highschool Diploma

38

(2010)



18

(2020)

BETTER

Teen Births Per 1,000



Teen Births



Rate per 1,000

Alaska
United States

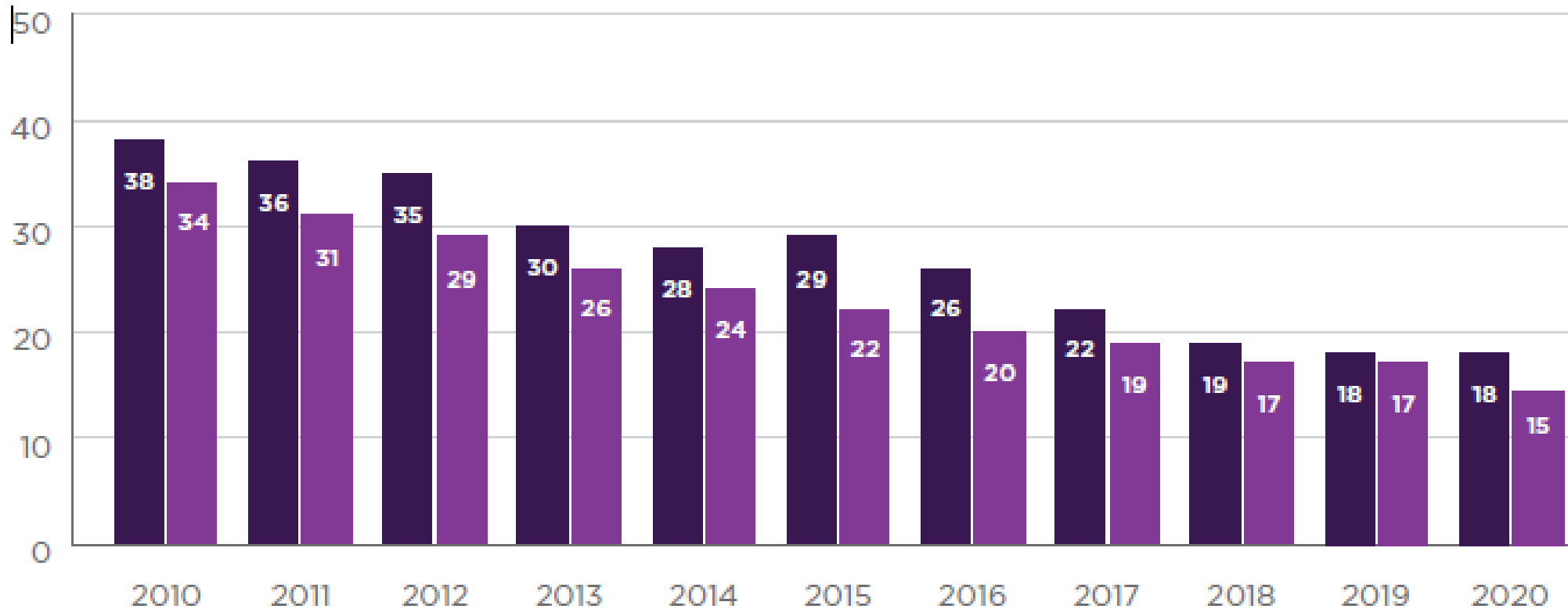


Figure 4. Teen Births, Alaska and U.S., 2010-2020

Source: Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS). Retrieved from: the KIDS COUNT Data Center



Children In Foster Care



Per 1,000

■ Alaska ■ United States

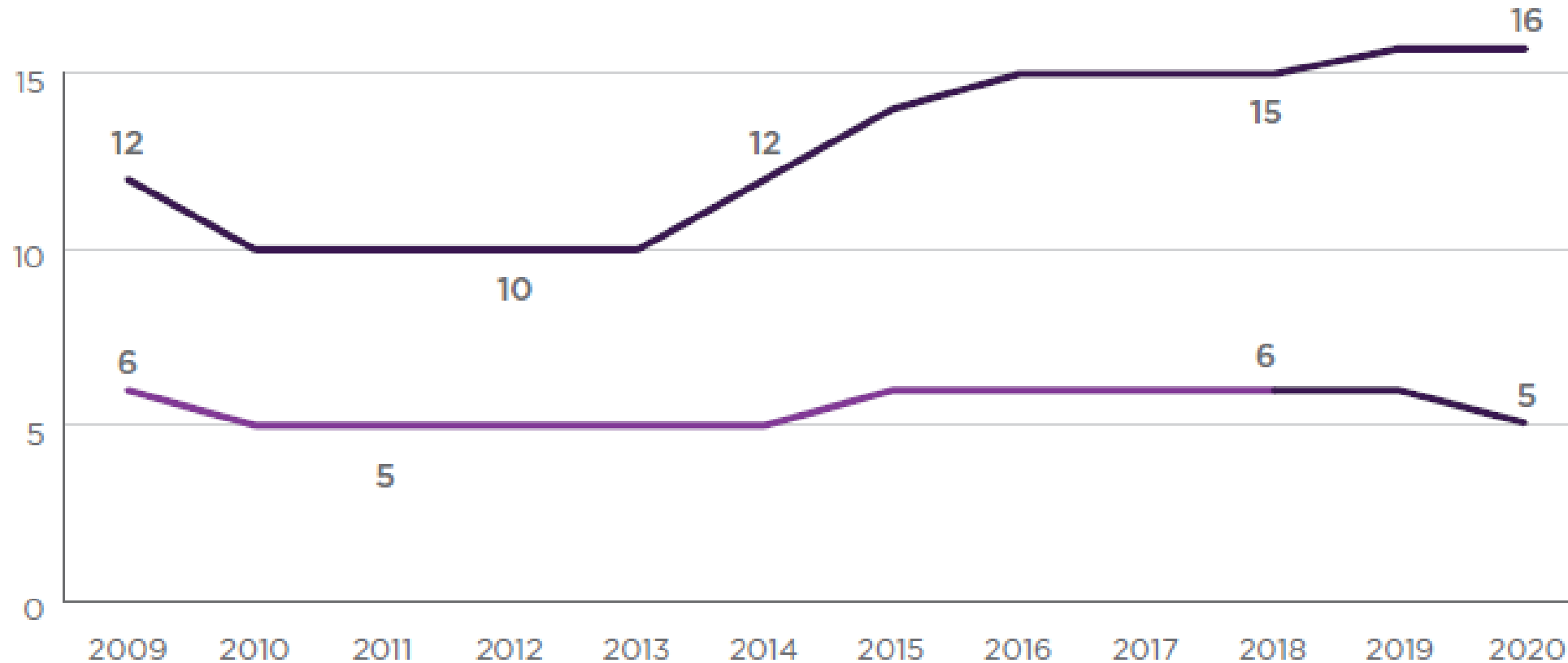


Figure 8. Children 0 to 17 in Foster Care, Alaska and U.S., Rate Per 1,000, 2009-2020

Source: U.S. Census Bureau. "Annual Estimates of the Resident Population by Single Year of Age and Sex for the United States, States, and Puerto Rico Commonwealth: April 1, 2010 to July 1, 2020," Vintage 2020. Retrieved from: the KIDS COUNT Data Center



Afterschool Activities



Percent

1 or More Days 2 or More Days 3 or More Days

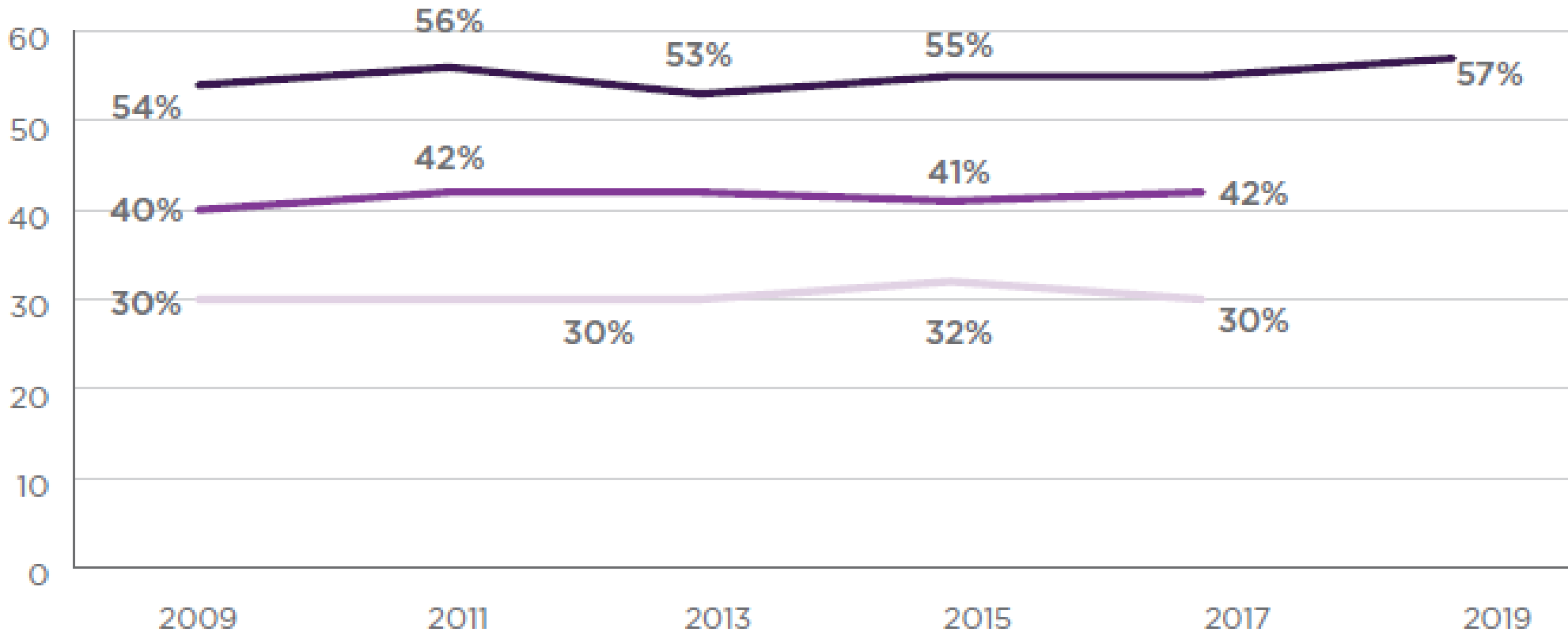


Figure 12. High School Students Who Participate in Afterschool Activities, Alaska, by Days Per Week, Percent, Odd Years 2009-2019

Source: Alaska Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance System. Traditional High School Results. Retrieved from: State of Alaska Department of Health and Social Services YRBS Statewide Traditional High School Results Dashboard.



Teen Suicides



Per 100,000

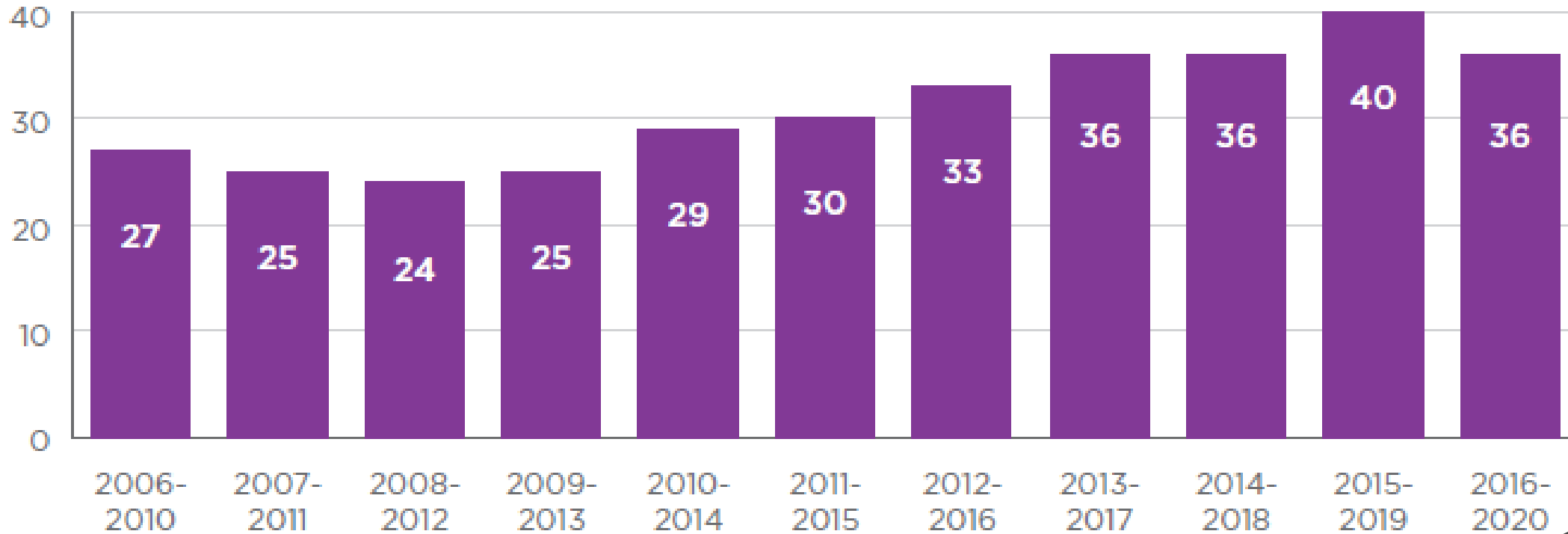


Figure 15. Teen Suicide, Alaska, Ages 15-19, Rate Per 100,000, 2006-2010 to 2016-2020

Source: Alaska Section of Health Analytics and Records; Alaska Department of Labor and Workforce Development, Research and Analysis Section. Retrieved from: Kids Count Data Center



Teen Suicides

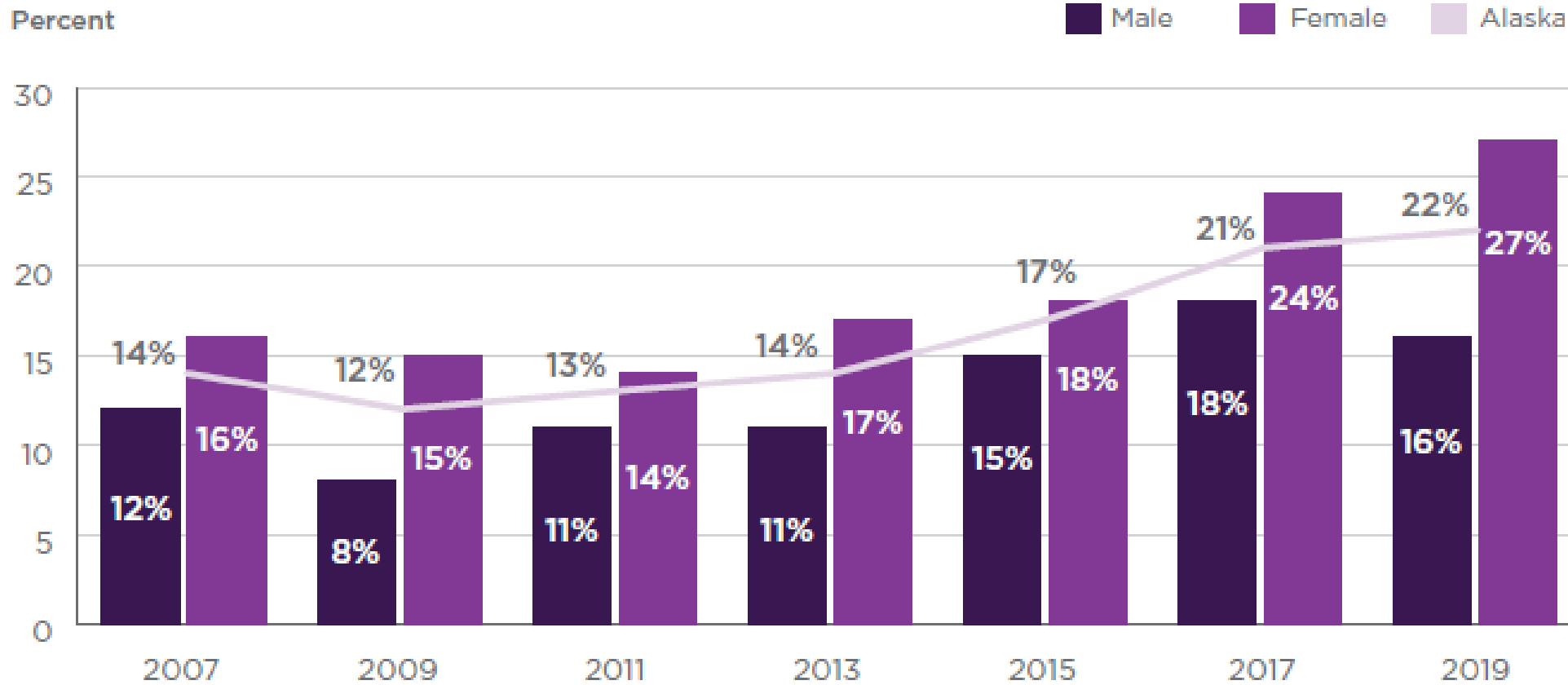


Figure 17. High School Students Who Planned a Suicide Attempt in the Past 12 Months, Alaska, by Gender, Percent, 2007-2019

Source: Alaska Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance System. Traditional High School Results. Retrieved from: State of Alaska Department of Health and Social Services YRBS Statewide Traditional High School Results Dashboard.



Teen Suicides

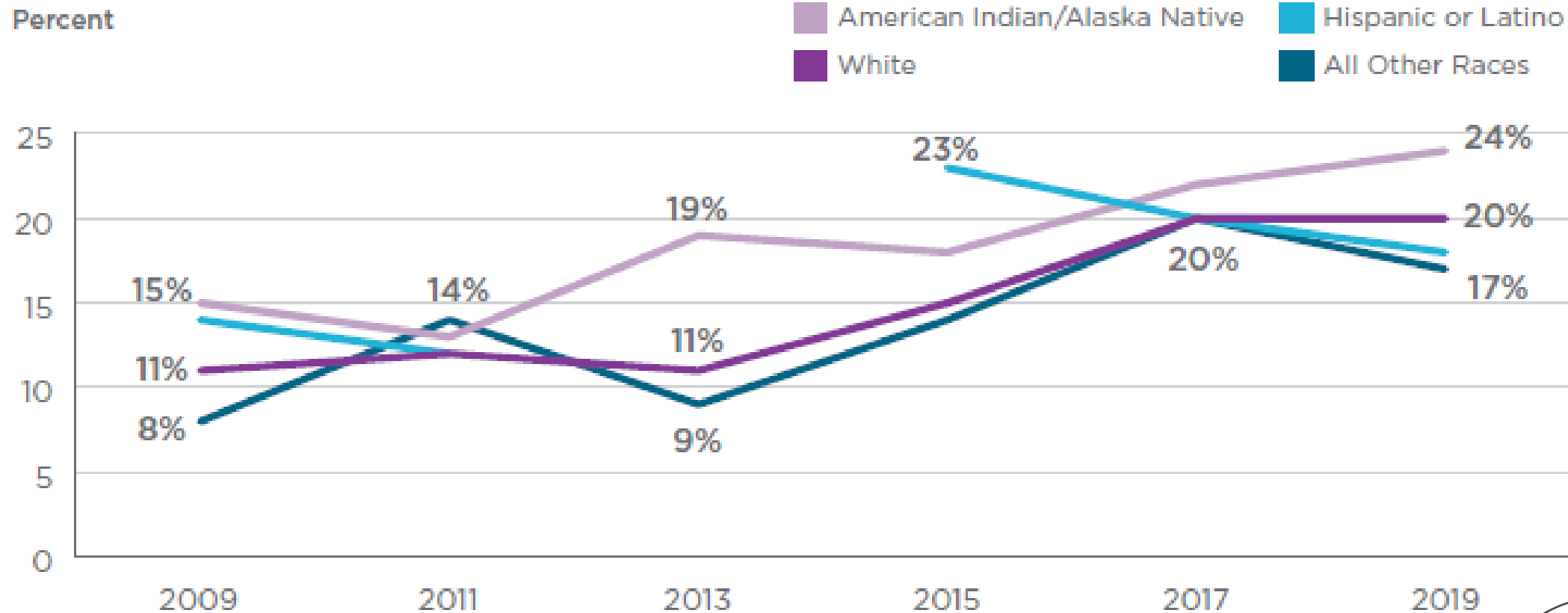
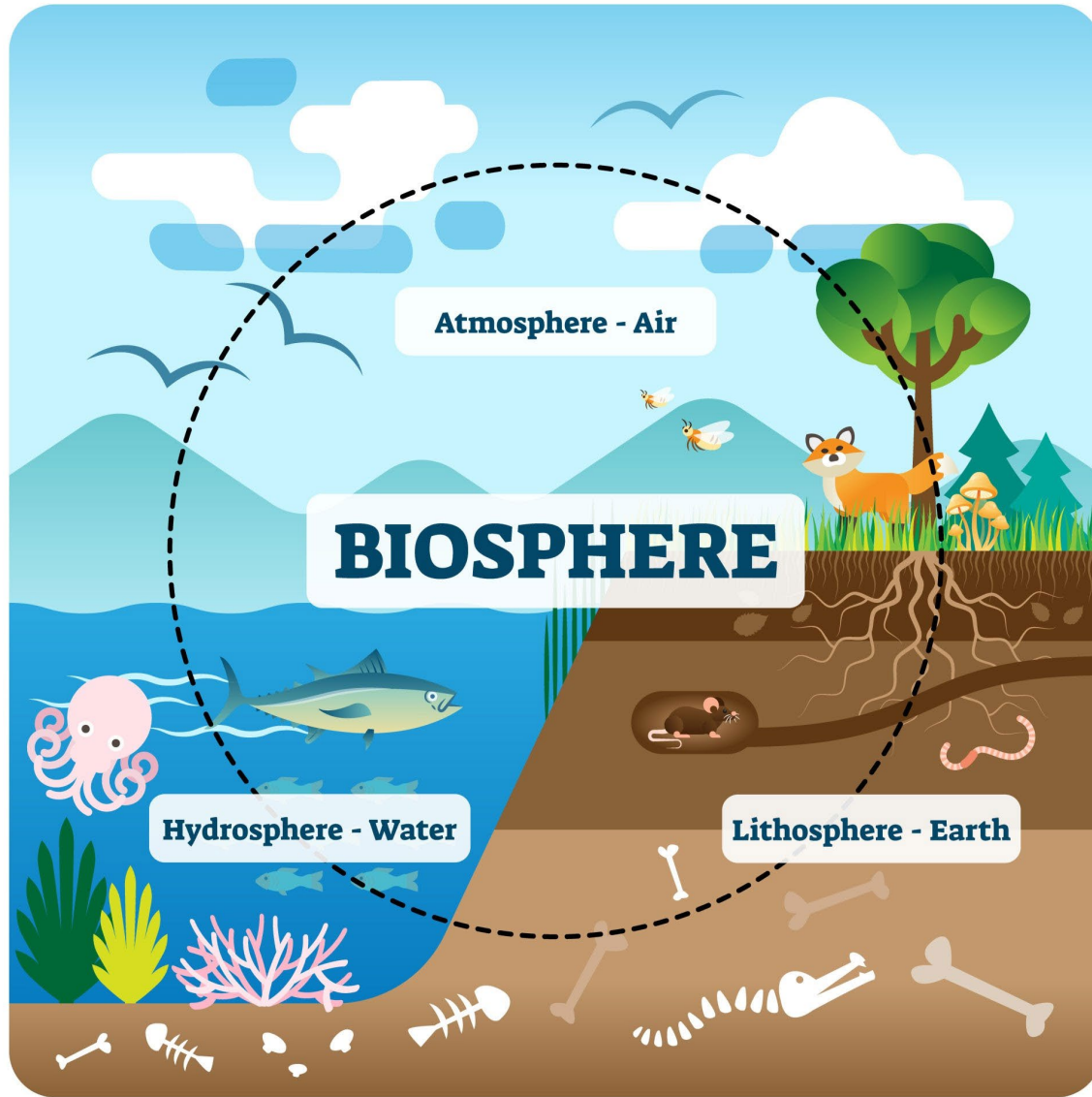


Figure 18. High School Students Who Planned a Suicide Attempt in the Past 12 Months, Alaska, by Race and Ethnicity, Percent, Odd Years 2009-2019

Source: Alaska Youth Risk Behavior Surveillance System. Traditional High School Results. *Data suppressed. Retrieved from: State of Alaska Department of Health and Social Services YRBS Statewide Traditional High School Results Dashboard.

What is an Ecosystem?



A complex network or interconnecting system.

What is Prevention?



CDC Prevention of ACEs

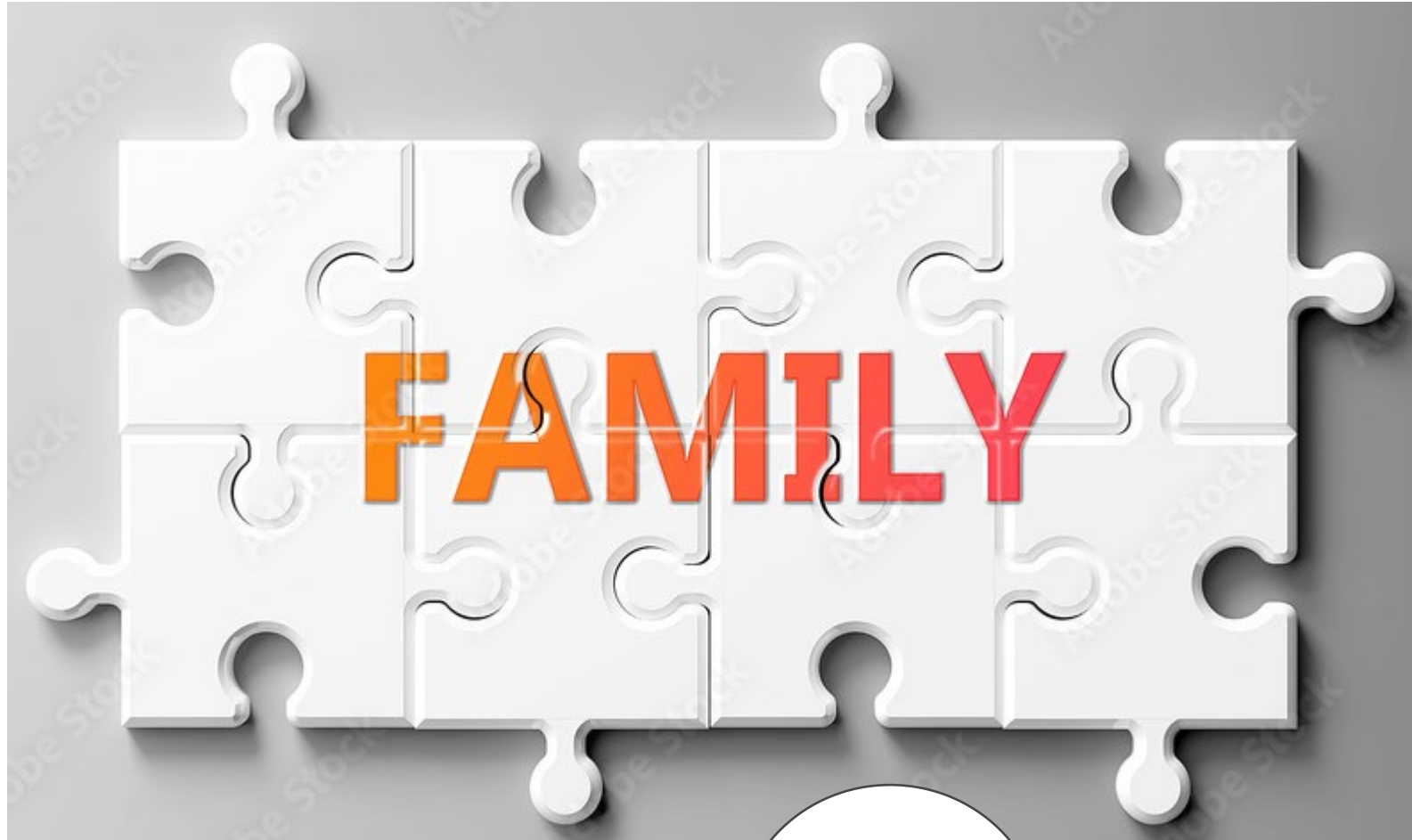
STRATEGY	APPROACH EXAMPLES
Strengthen economic supports to families	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Food security • Housing • Family paid leave
Promote social norms that protect against violence & adversity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Public education campaigns • Legislative approaches to reduce corporal punishment • Bystander approaches • Men and boys as allies in prevention
Ensure a strong start for children	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Home visiting • High-quality child care • Preschool enrichment with family engagement
Teach skills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Safe dating & healthy relationships • Parenting skills & family relationship approaches
Connect youth to caring adults and activities	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Mentoring programs • Afterschool programs
Intervene to lessen immediate and long-term harms	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Enhanced primary care • Victim-centered services • Treatment to lessen the harms of ACEs • Family-centered treatment for substance misuse

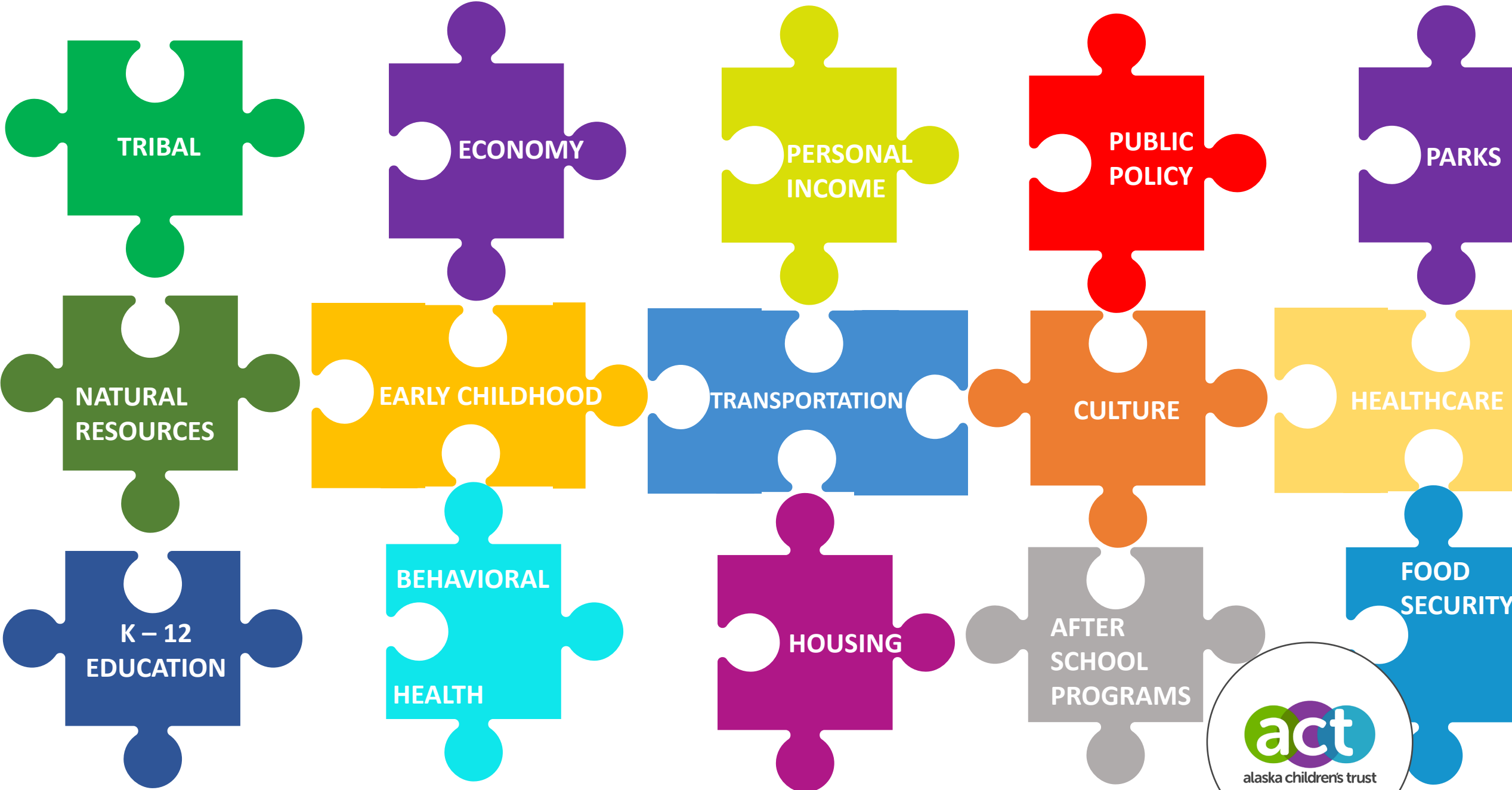
CDC (2019) – Adverse Childhood Experiences Prevention: Resource for Action



What is a Prevention Ecosystem?

A complex network or interconnecting system that ensures children, youth, families, and communities have the knowledge, skills, support and resources to thrive.





Socio-ecological Framework for Prevention (CDC)





Two Key Role of Legilsature

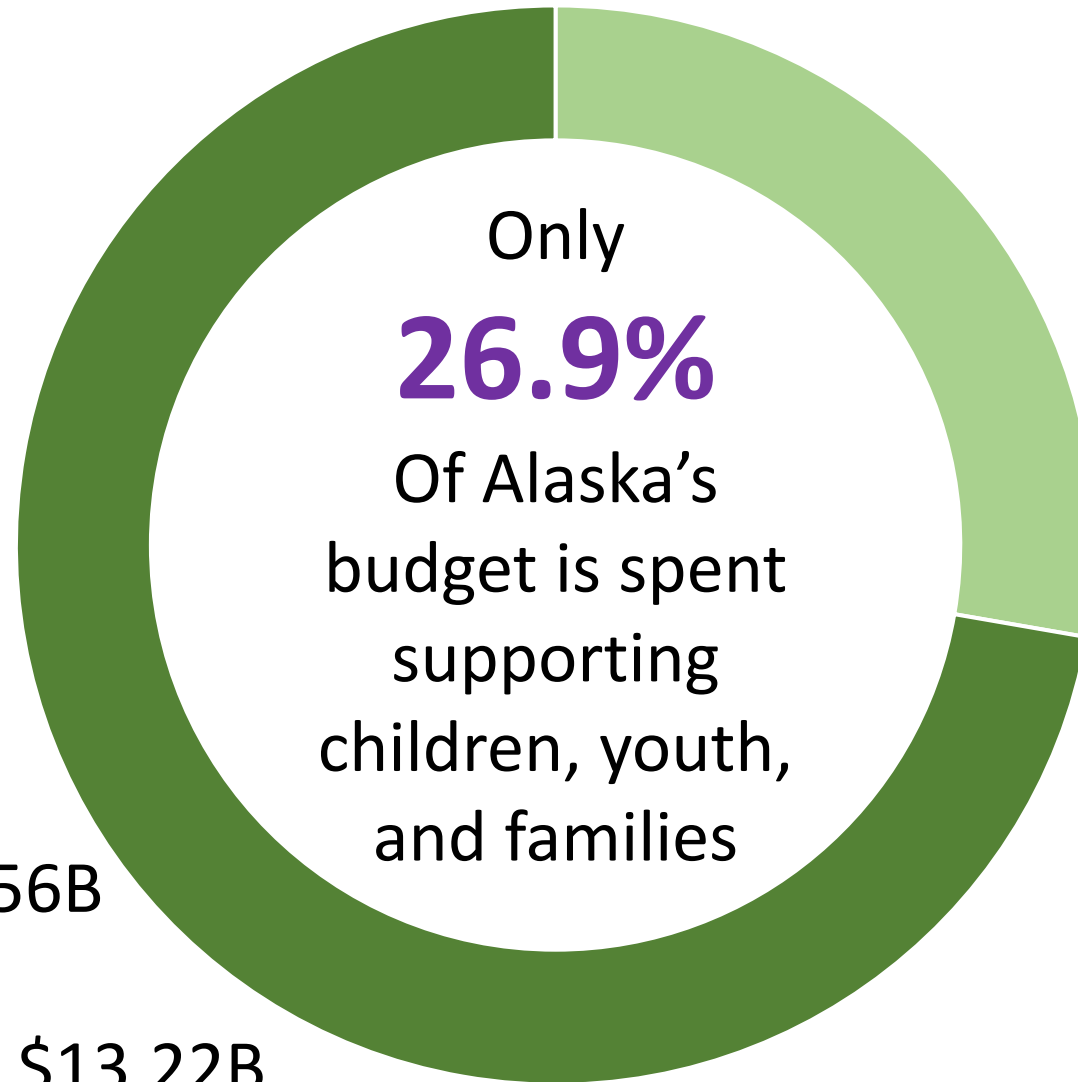
1.Budget

2.Legislation/Policy/Lawmaking



2024
ALASKA CHILDREN'S BUDGET

2024 AK Children's Budget



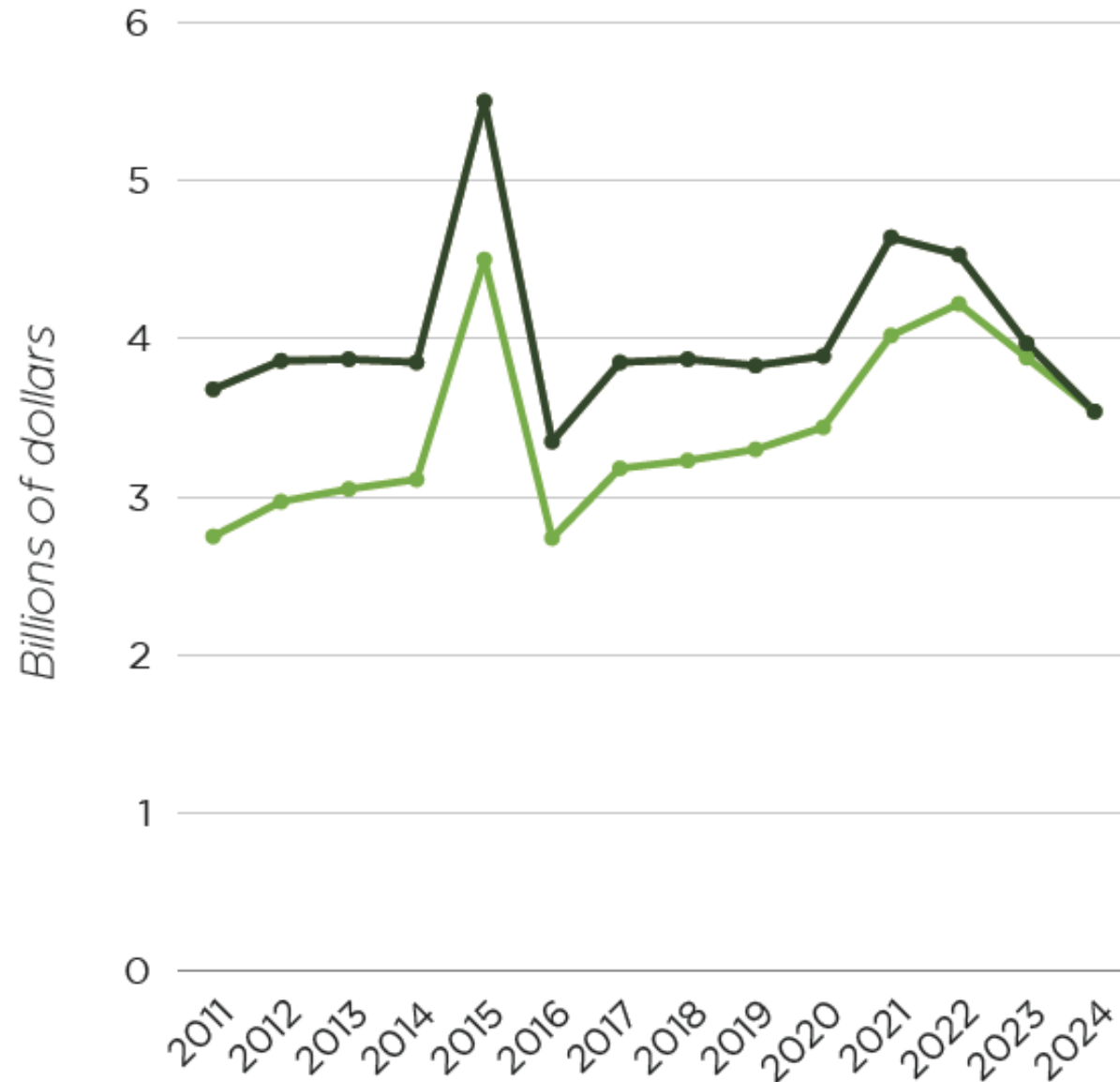
- CHILDREN's BUDGET
- NON-CHILDREN's BUDGET

ACB spending: \$3.56B

Total FY24 budget: \$13.22B



Total ACB Operating Budget Funds, FY 2011-2024



FY 2011-2014

FY 2024 appears 20% larger, but when adjusted for inflation is 7% smaller than the average for those years.

7%



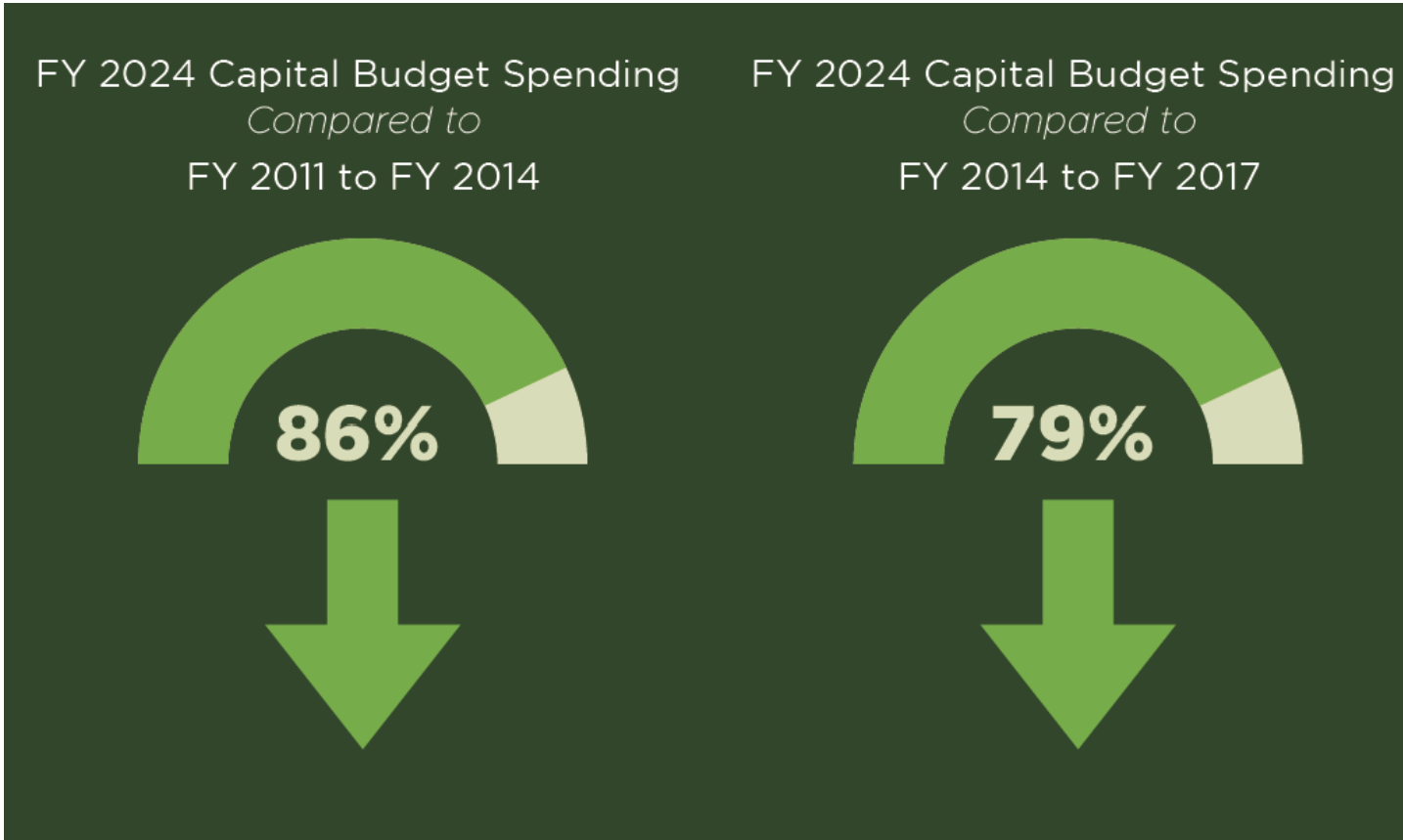
FY 2014-2017

FY 2024 appears 5% larger, but when adjusted for inflation is 7% smaller than the average for those years.

14%

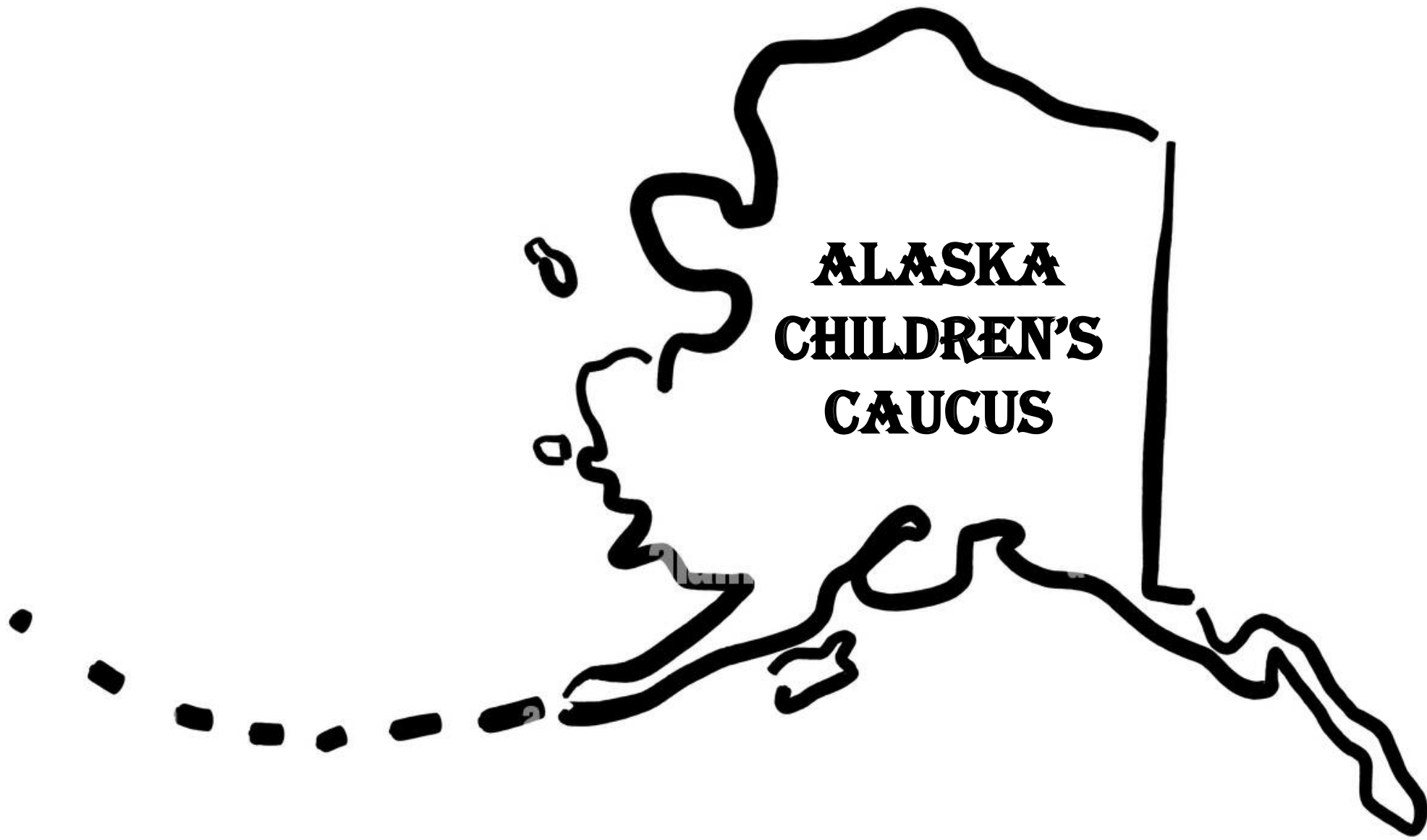


Total ACB Capital Budget Funds, FY2011 - 2024



LEGISLATION





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