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Tackling the Racial Hunger Gap and Advancing Equity

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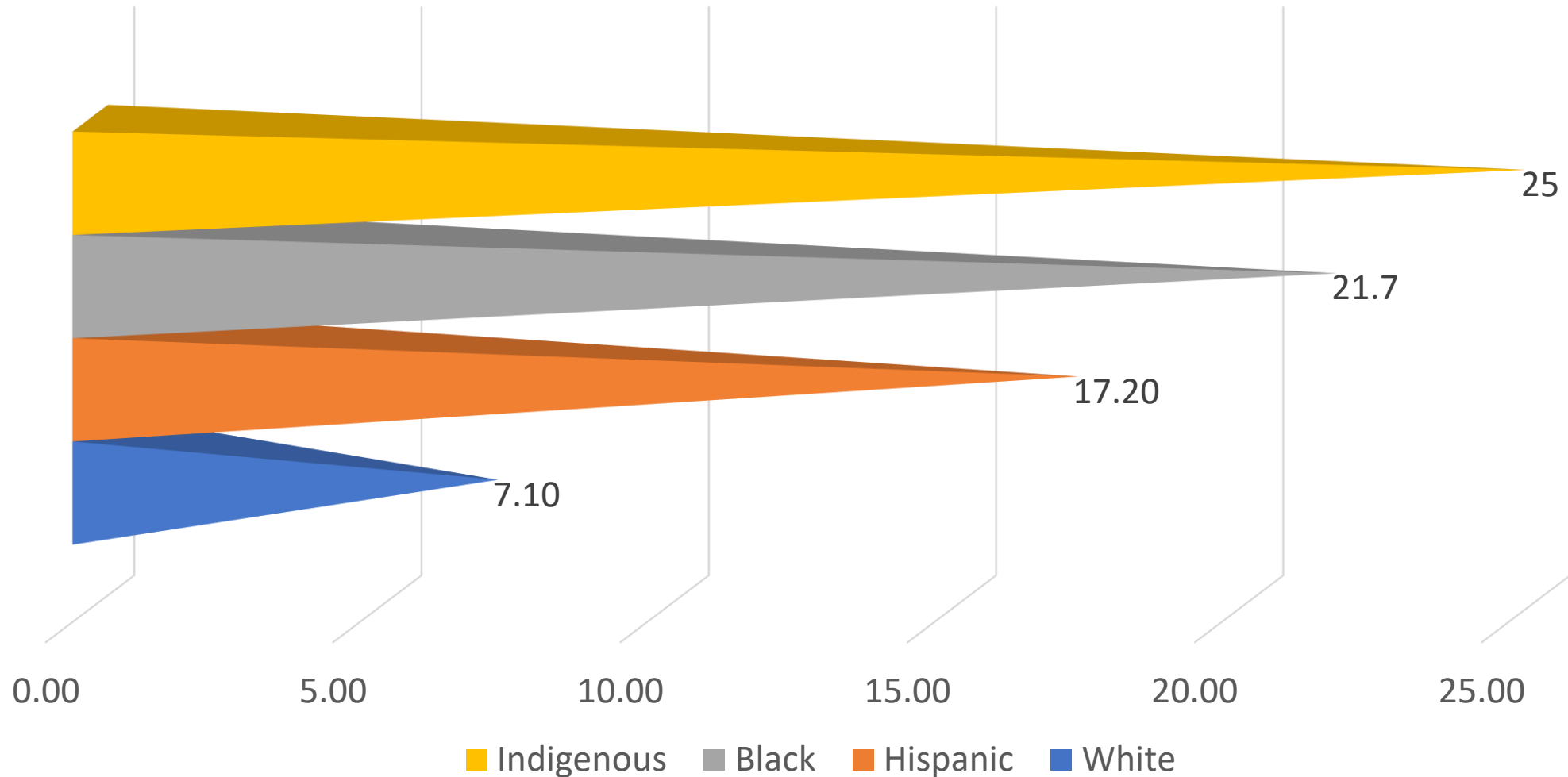
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- **Alejandra Gepp**, Health Programs Director, Training and Engagement, UnidosUS
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Definitions

- **Structural/Systemic Racism**- The normalization and legitimization of an array of dynamics – historical, cultural, institutional, and interpersonal – that routinely advantage Whites while producing cumulative and chronic adverse outcomes for people of color. (Racial Equity Tools)
- **Racial Equity**- Both an outcome and a process whereby race no longer determines one's socioeconomic outcomes. (Race Forward)
- **Food Insecurity**- A household-level economic and social condition of limited or uncertain access to adequate food. (USDA)
- **Racial Hunger Gap**- Higher rates of food insecurity among Black, Indigenous and people of color in the U.S. due to historic and systemic discrimination. (Alliance to End Hunger)

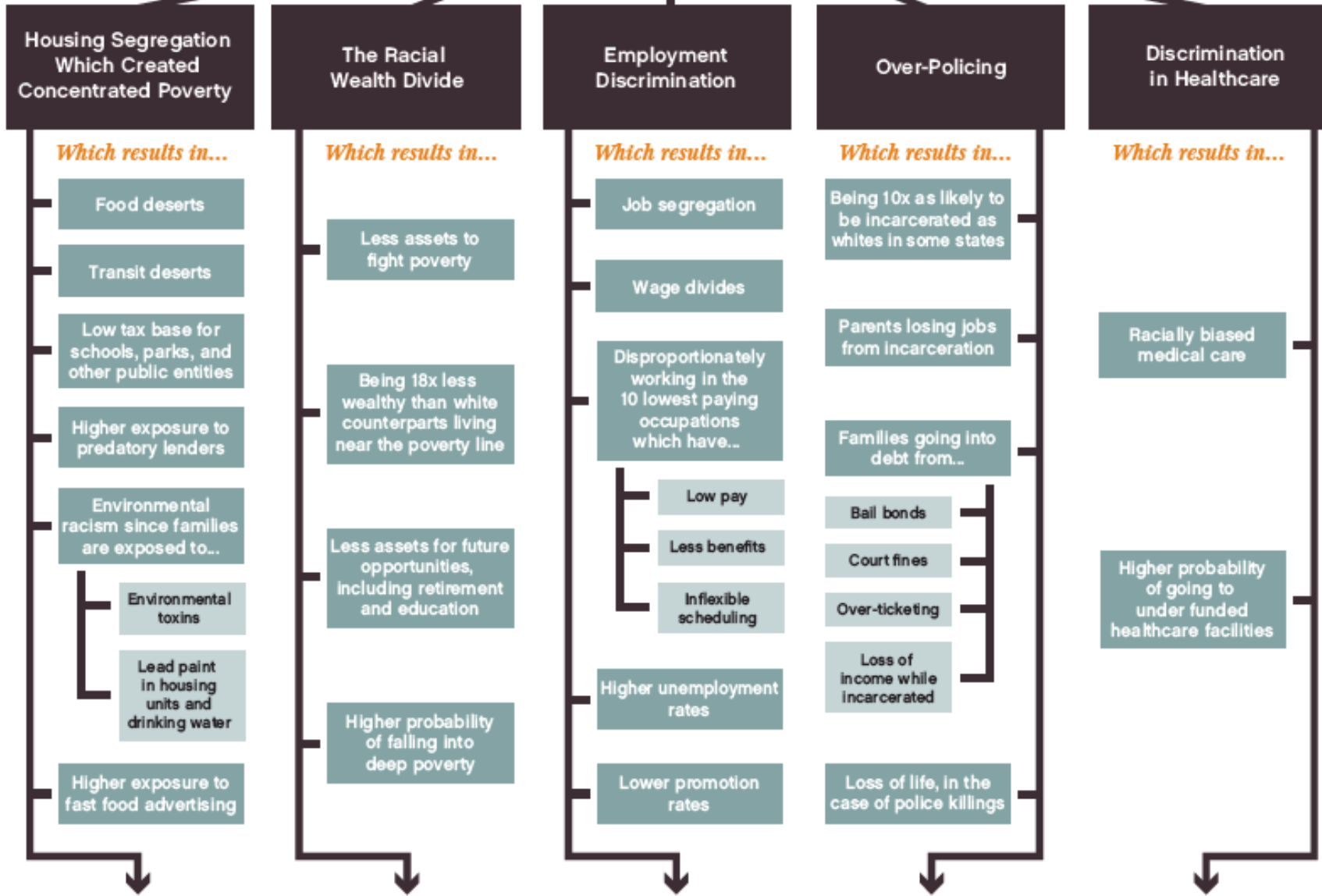
Percent of Food Insecure Households by Race/Ethnicity, 2020



Source: [Alisha Coleman-Jensen, Matthew P. Rabbitt, Christian A. Gregory, and Anita Singh. 2021. Household Food Security in the United States in 2020, ERR-298, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Economic Research Service.](#)

Indigenous data point added for comparison purposes. Source: [Food Insecurity among American Indians and Alaska Natives: A National Profile using the Current Population Survey–Food Security Supplement](#)

STRUCTURAL RACISM



THESE BARRIERS MAINTAIN HIGHER FOOD INSECURITY LEVELS AMONG COMMUNITIES OF COLOR

Source: Bread for the World Institute, [Applying Racial Equity to U.S. Federal Nutrition Assistance Programs](#), Page 11