

Characteristics of Children Age Birth to Three in Washington State



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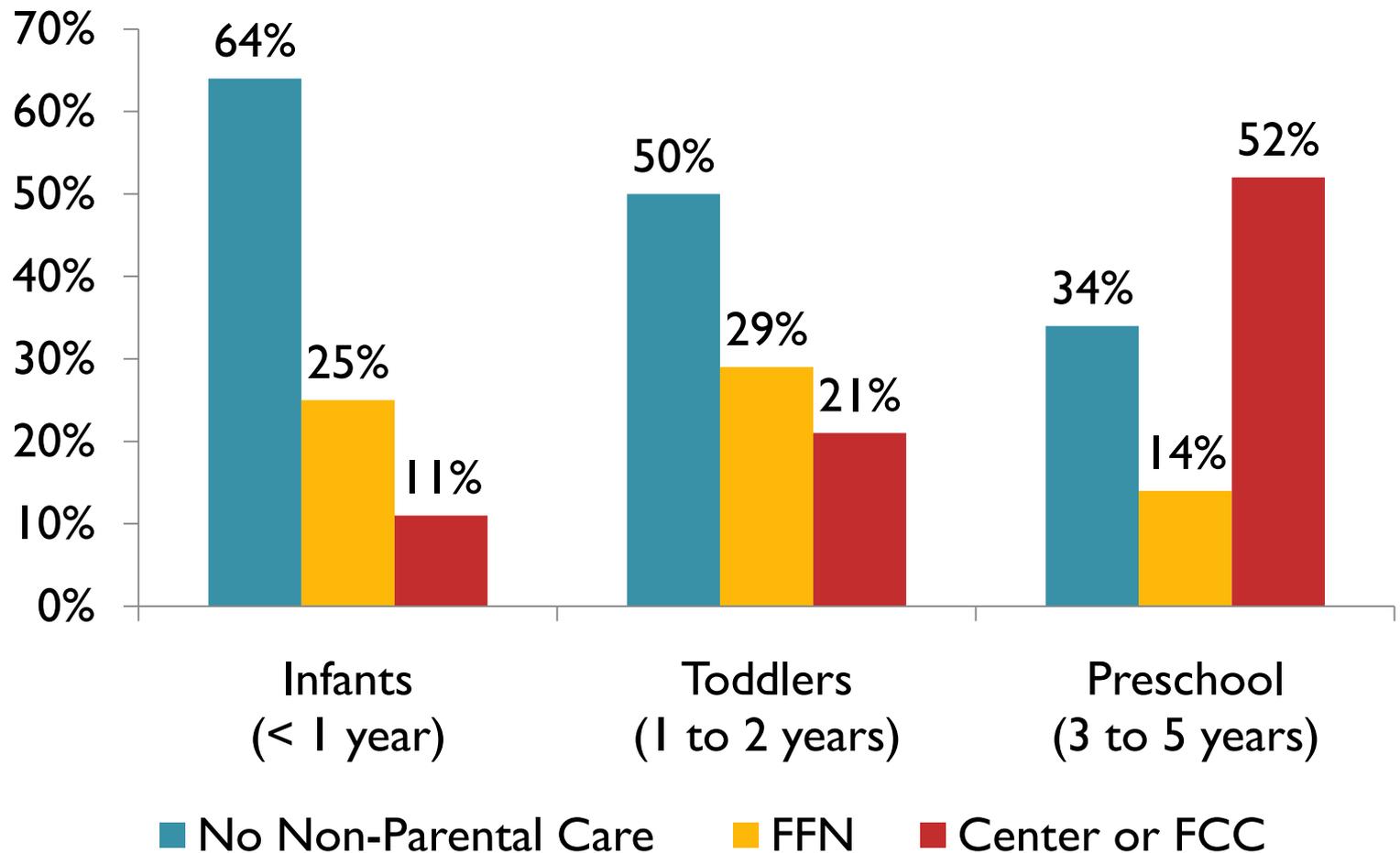
KIDS COUNT

- Major initiative of the Annie E. Casey Foundation
- A national and state-by-state effort to track the status of children
- Holistic approach to child well-being
- Core belief that data-driven decision making is a powerful, yet underutilized tool

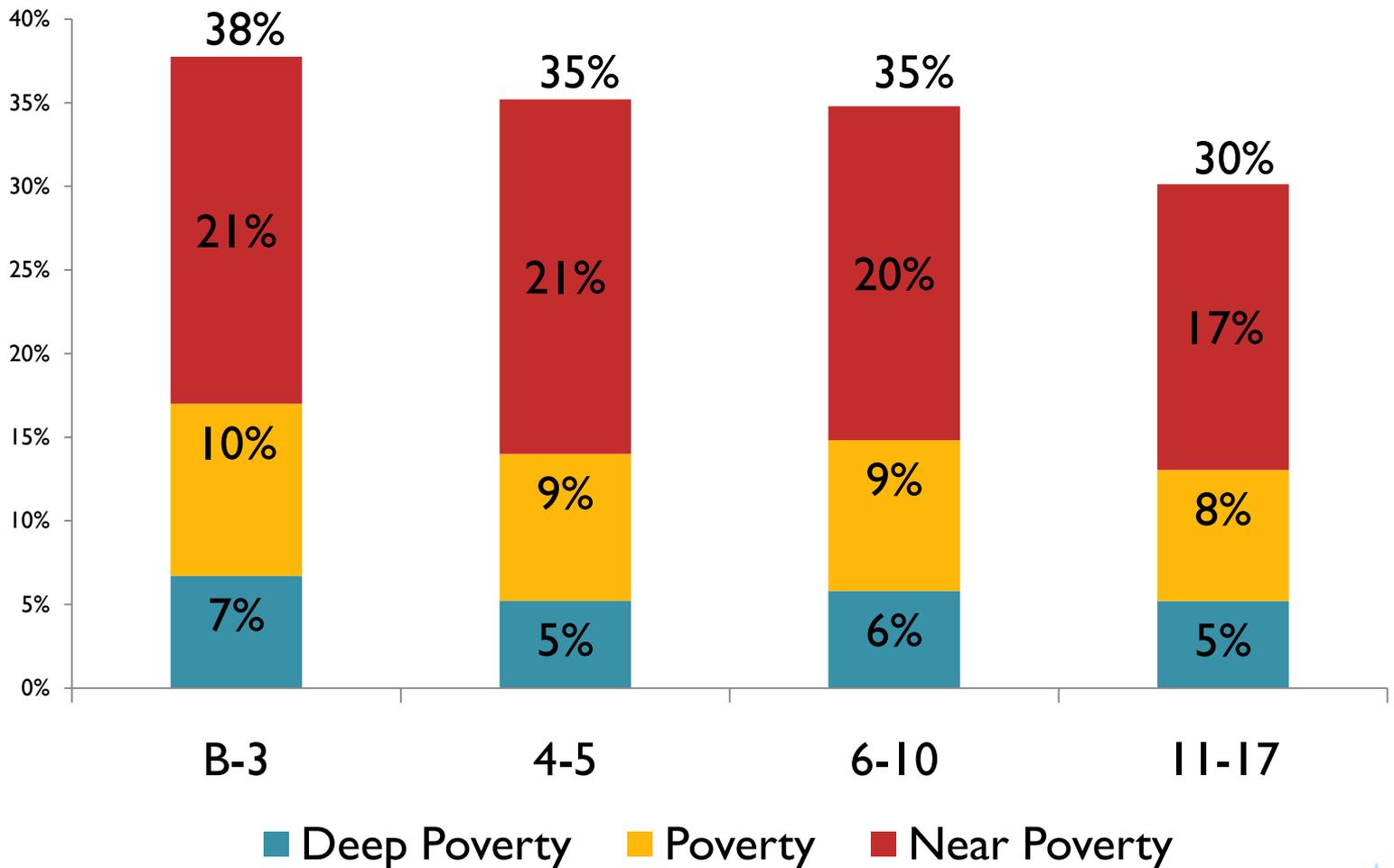
Basic Demographics (B-3) Washington 2008

- Over 348,000 children B-3, representing nearly one-quarter (23%) of the child population
- Two-thirds (66%) have at least one sibling
- One in three (35%) is a child of color
- One in four (24%) have at least one immigrant parent

% of All Children B-5 by Type of Care Washington 2002



% Low Income by Age Group Washington 2008



Source: WKC analysis of 2008 ACS IPUMS data

Of low income B-3 year olds ...

- Half (50%) are children of color
- One-third (33%) lives with a single mother
- Over half (54%) has a mother with HS or less

40,000 additional children are expected to enter poverty by 2010

Source: WKC analysis of 2008 ACS IPUMS data

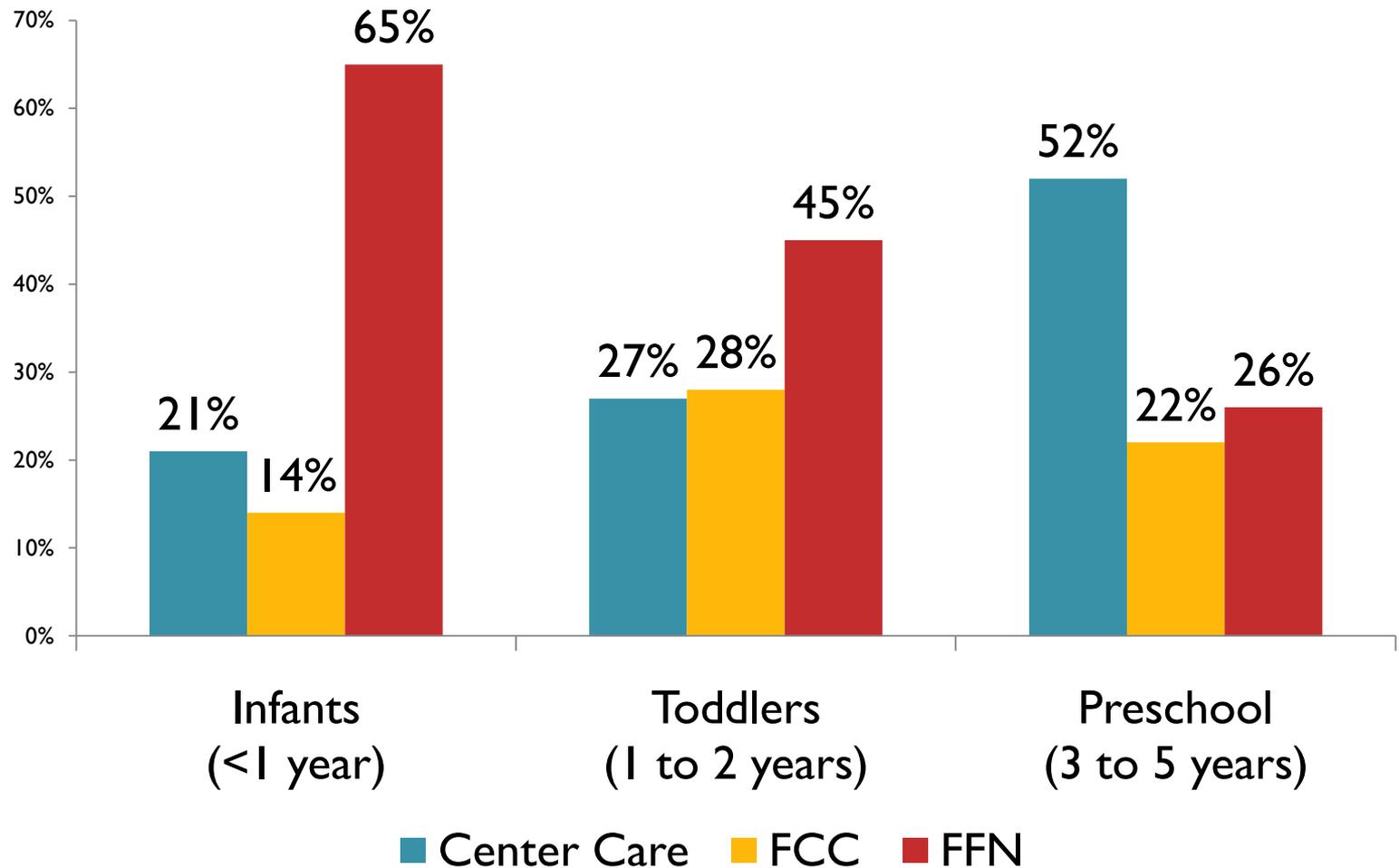
Source: Pfingst, L, Stutman, T.J, Magarati, M, Loeb, H "State of Washington's Children 2008-2009: Poverty and the Future of Children and Families in Washington State" Human Services Policy Center, University of WA: Seattle, WA



Parental Employment (B-3) Washington 2008

- Over half (53%) in families where all available parents are employed
- Over half (56%) of mothers working
- Thirty-nine percent (39%) of single mothers are **not** employed

% of Time Spent in Centers, FCC, & FFN Washington 2002



Source: Brandon, R., Maher, E., Joesch, J., Doyle, S. (2002) "Understanding Family, Friend, and Neighbor Care in Washington State: Developing Appropriate Training and Support." Human Services Policy Center, University of Washington: Seattle, WA

Care for Infants & Toddlers

- Half of the requests to WCCRRN are for infant/toddler care
- There are 3x as many slots for preschool age children compared to infants and toddlers
- Annual cost of care in WA for one infant or toddler is 16% and 14% of state median household income (\$58,500), respectively

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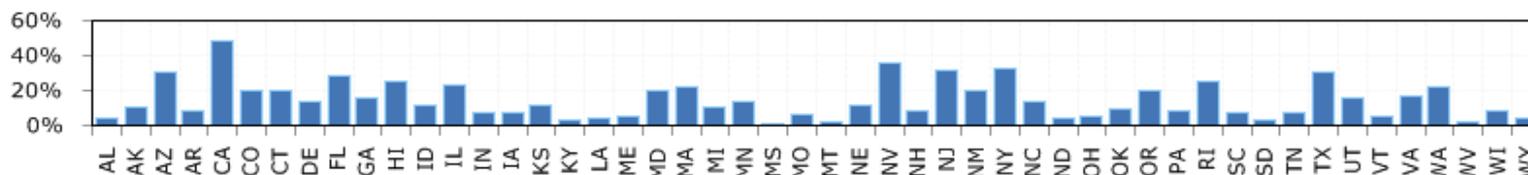
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