

Disproportionate Minority Contact Agency Data Presentation: Administrative Office of the Courts

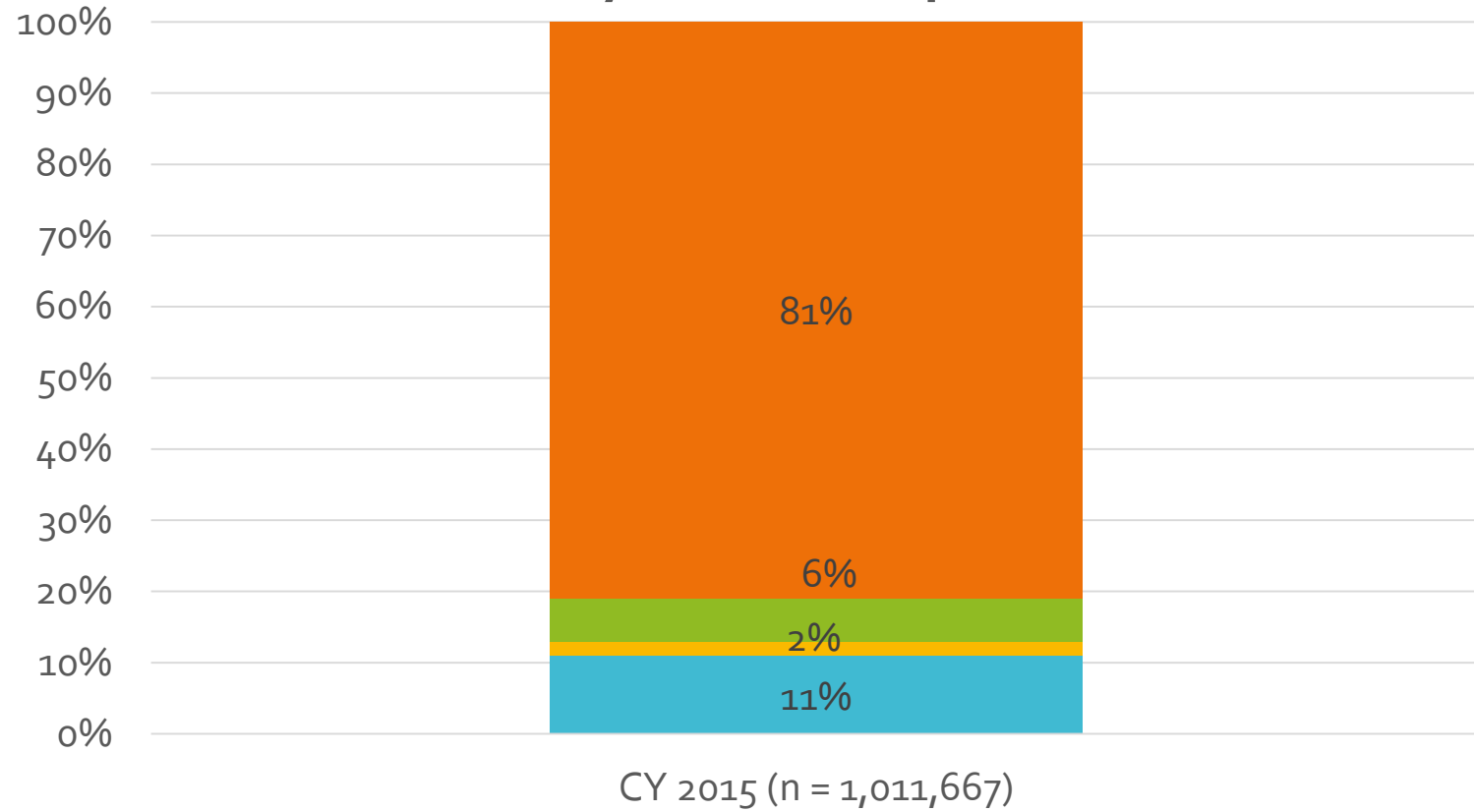
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Youth Population of Kentucky by Race/Ethnicity CY 2015



African Americans Make Up Only 11% of Kentucky's Youth Population

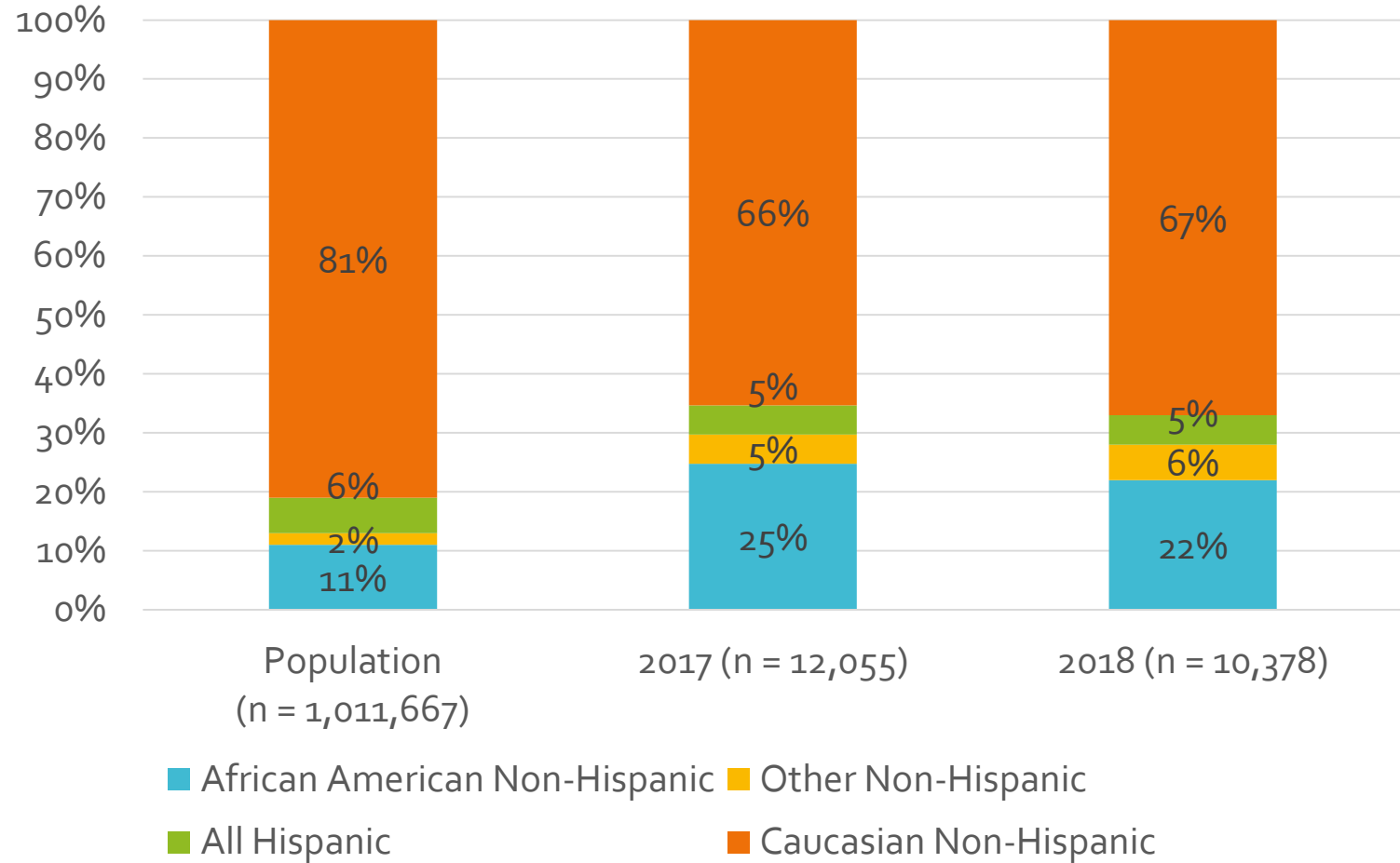


- African American Non-Hispanic
- All Hispanic
- Other Non-Hispanic
- Caucasian Non-Hispanic

Complaints Filed by Race/Ethnicity January – June 2017 vs. 2018



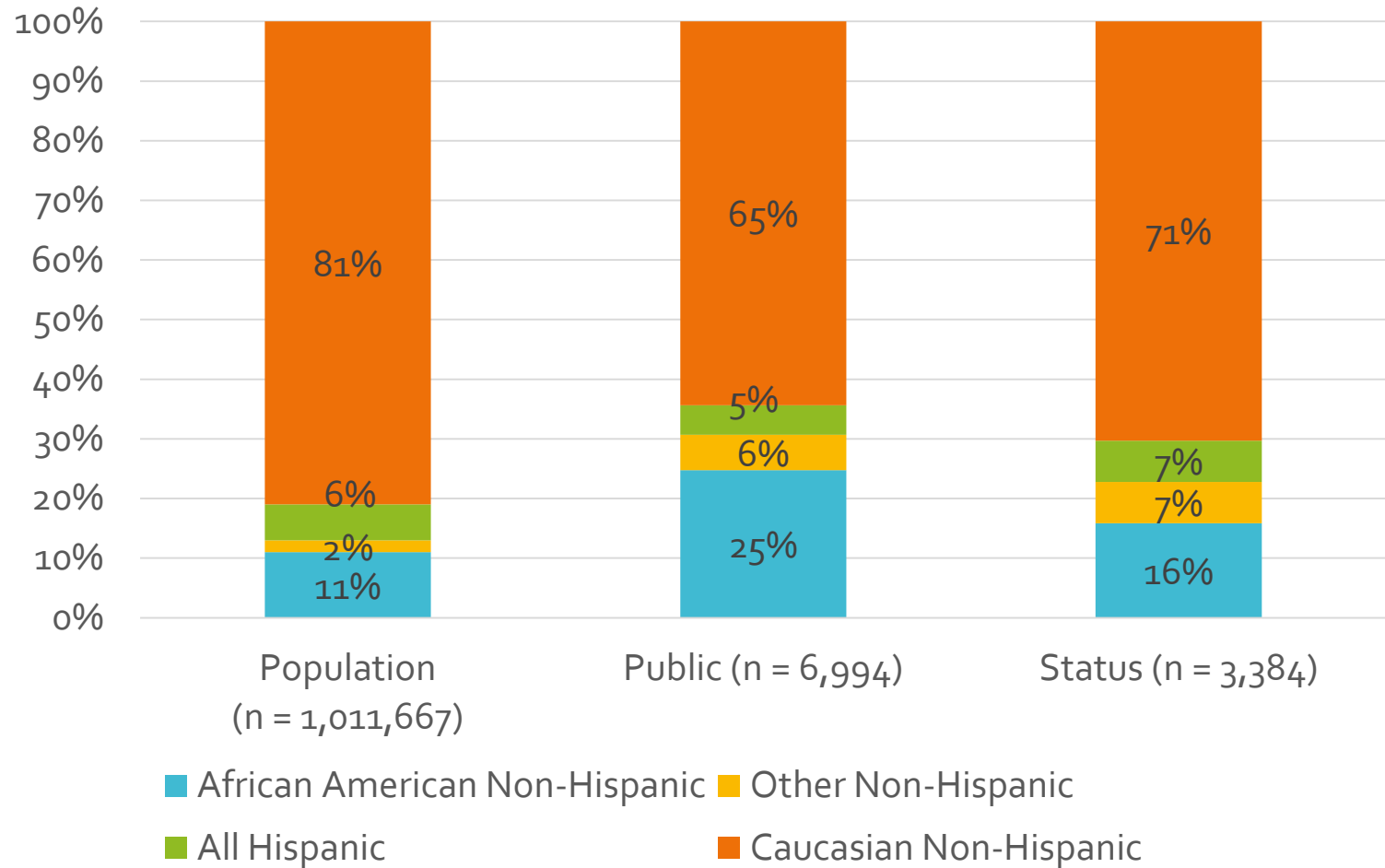
Complaints Against African American Youth were Filed at a Rate Twice Their Representation



Complaints Filed by Race/Ethnicity January – June 2018 Public vs Status



Disproportionality is Higher Among Public Complaints versus Status Complaints

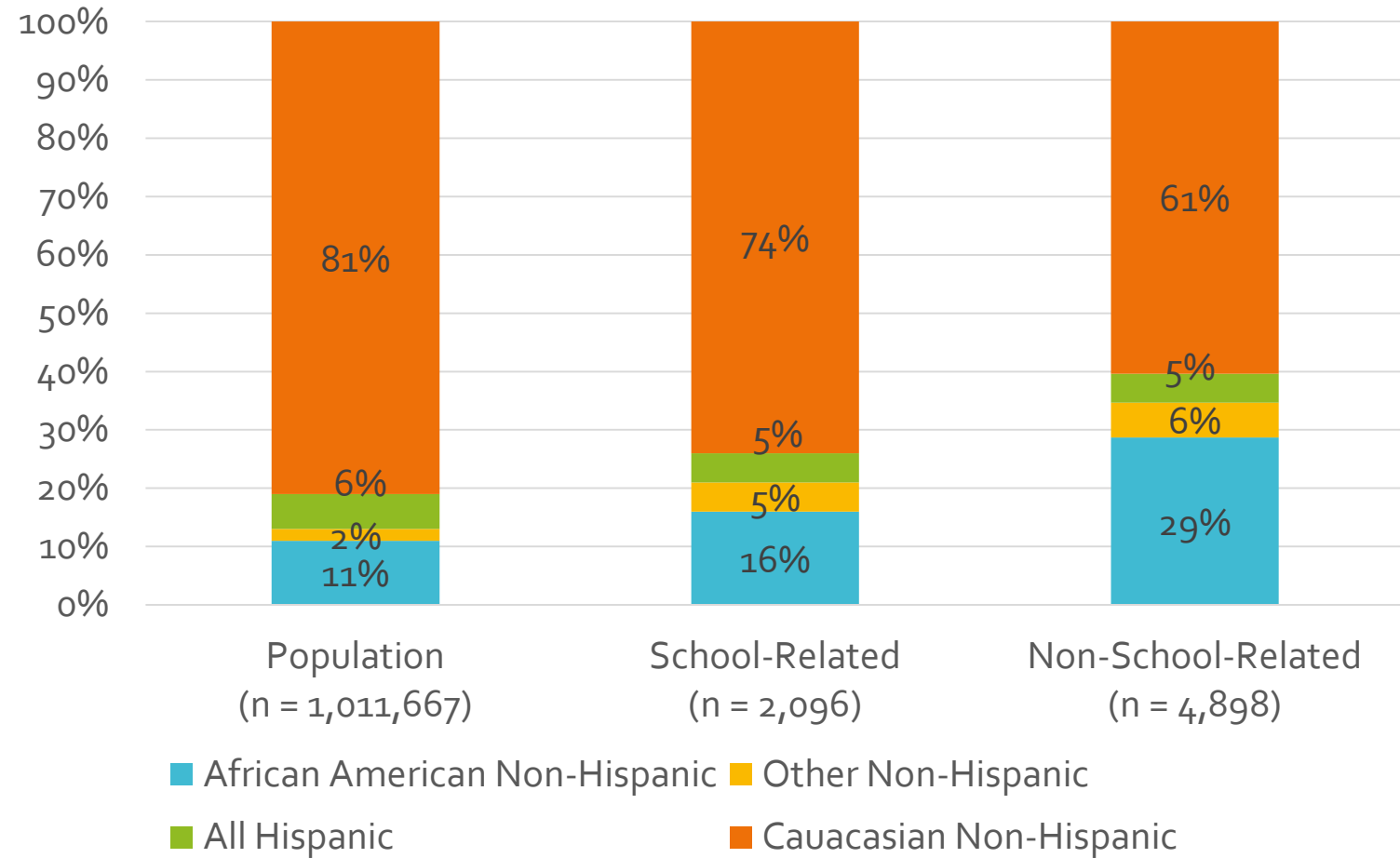


Truancy a possible explanation for reduced disproportionality for status offenses

Complaints Filed by
Race/Ethnicity
January – June 2018
Public Offenses
School vs. Community



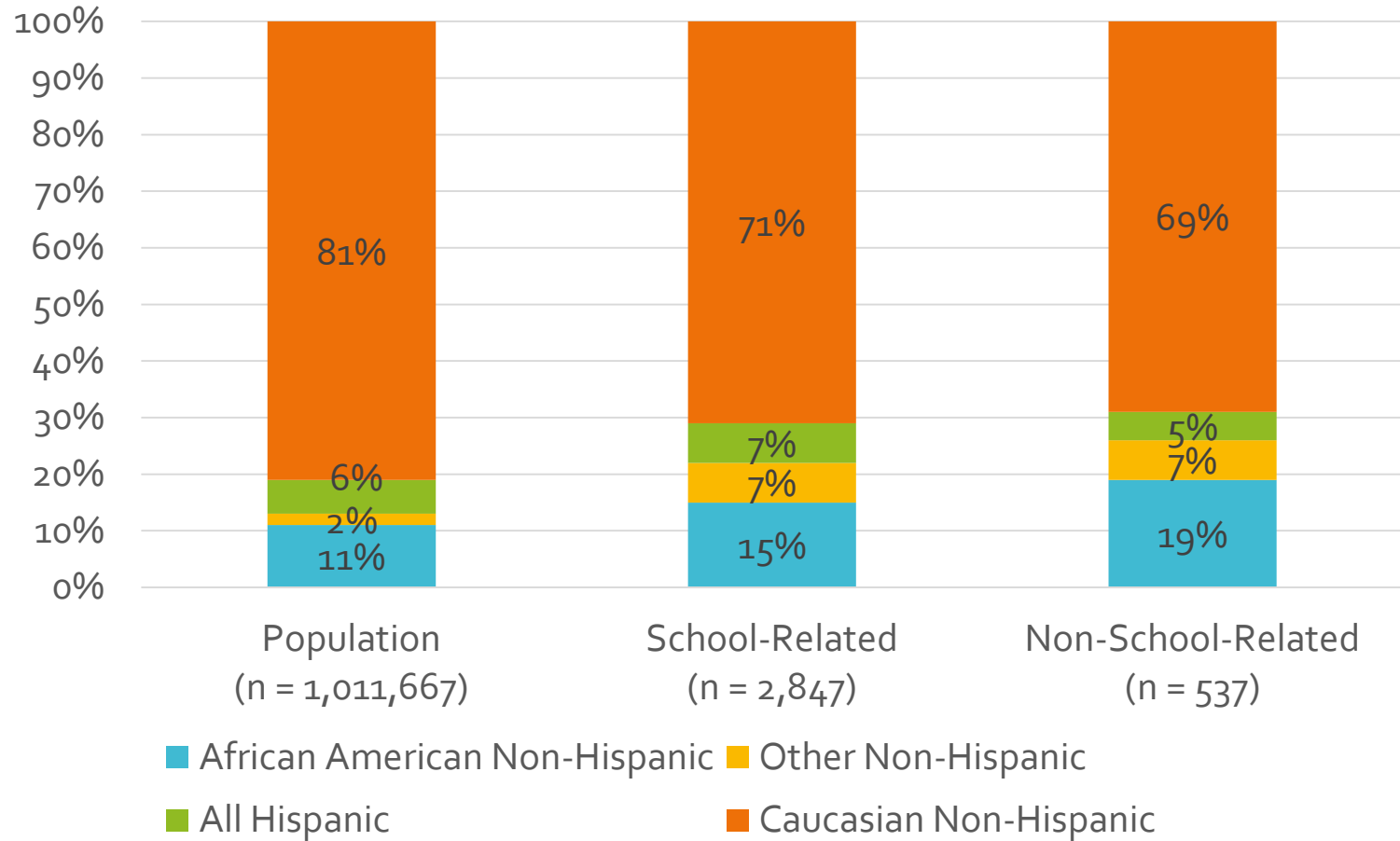
Disproportionality for African American Youth among Public Complaints is Higher in the Community than in Schools



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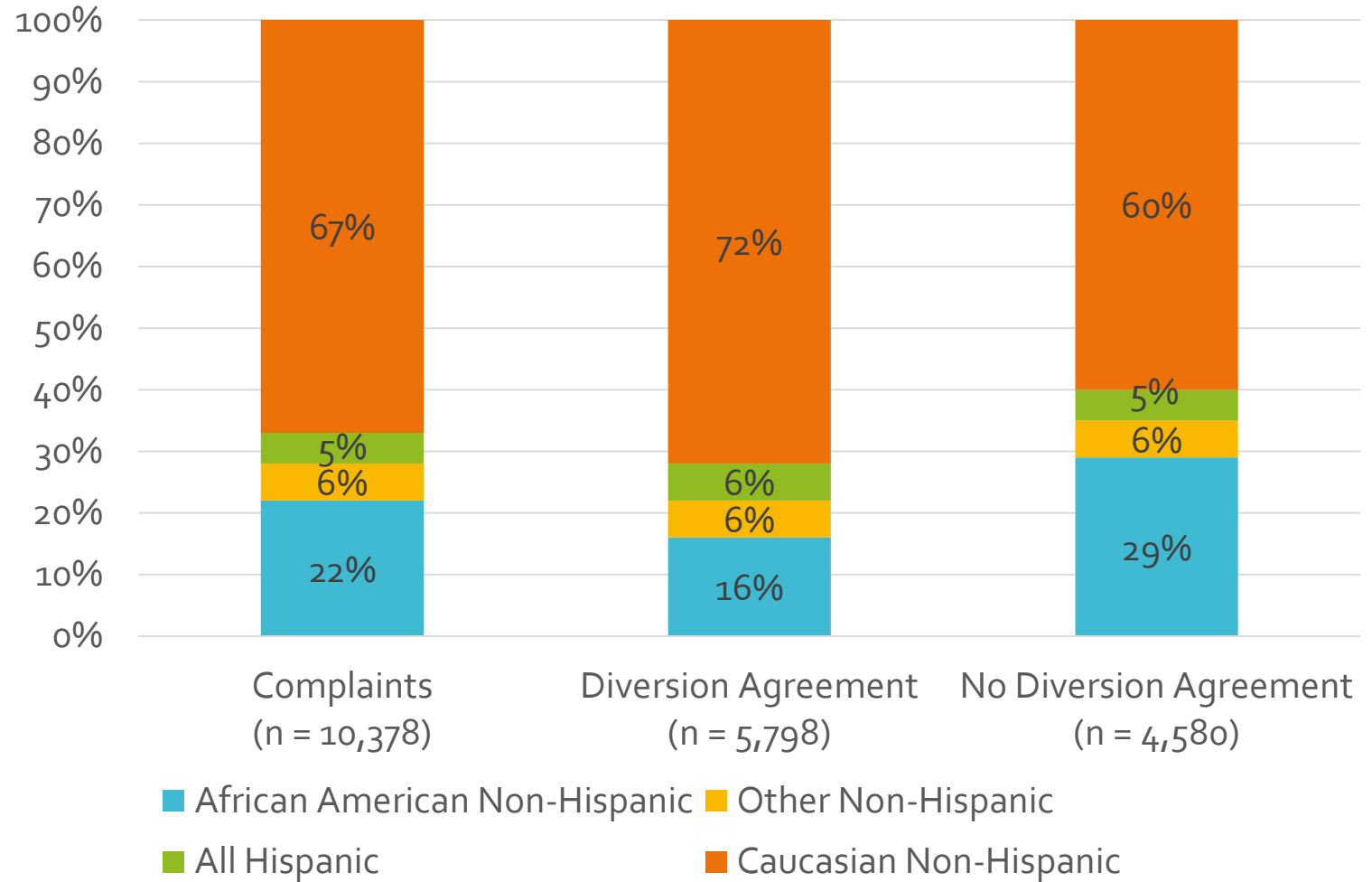
This Trend Continues for School-Related Status Offenses: Disproportionality is Higher in the Community



Complaints Filed by Race/Ethnicity January – June 2018 Diverted vs. Not



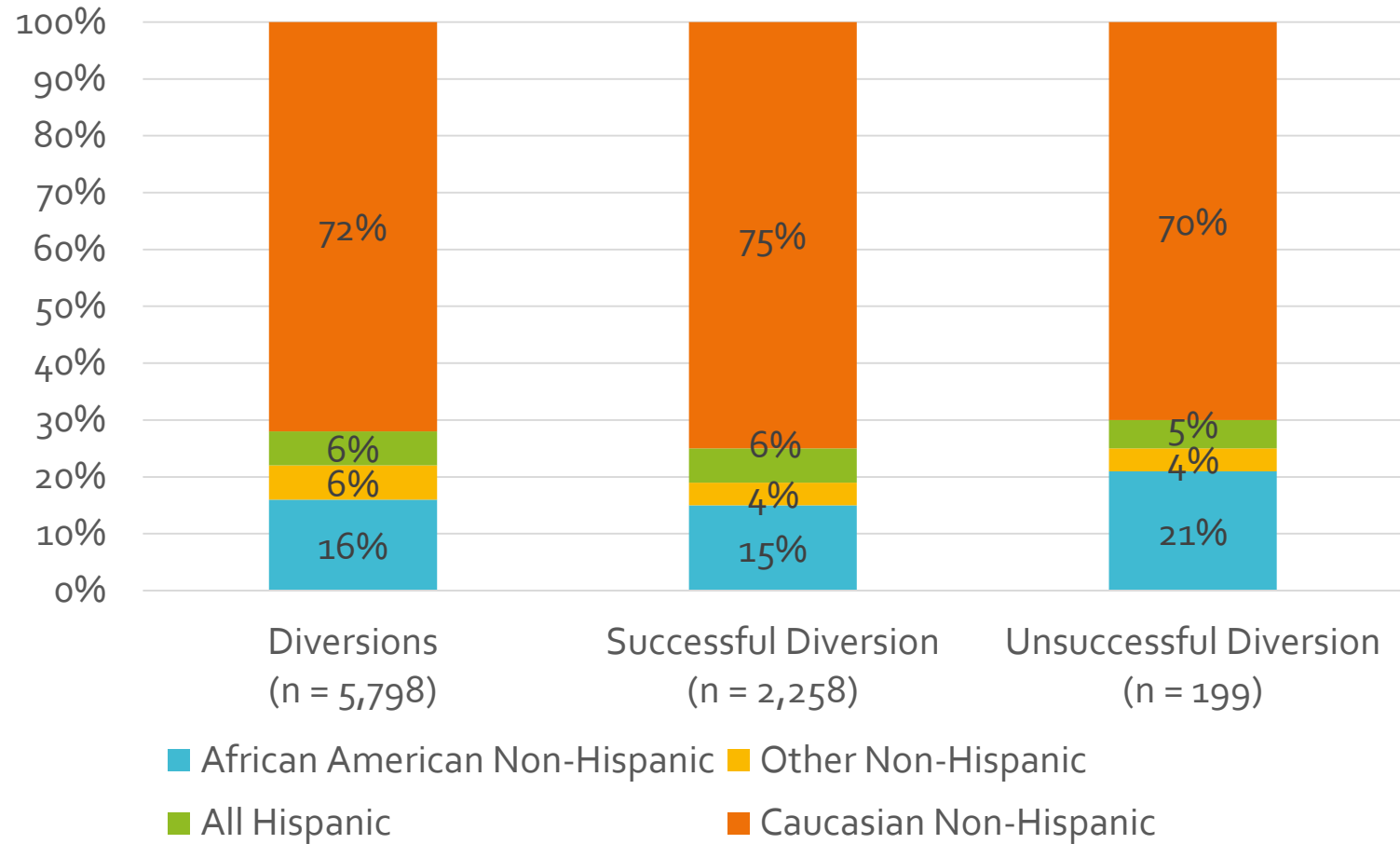
At Positive Contact Points, African American Youth are Underrepresented



Complaints Filed by
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January – June 2018
Diverted Youth
Successful vs. Unsuccessful



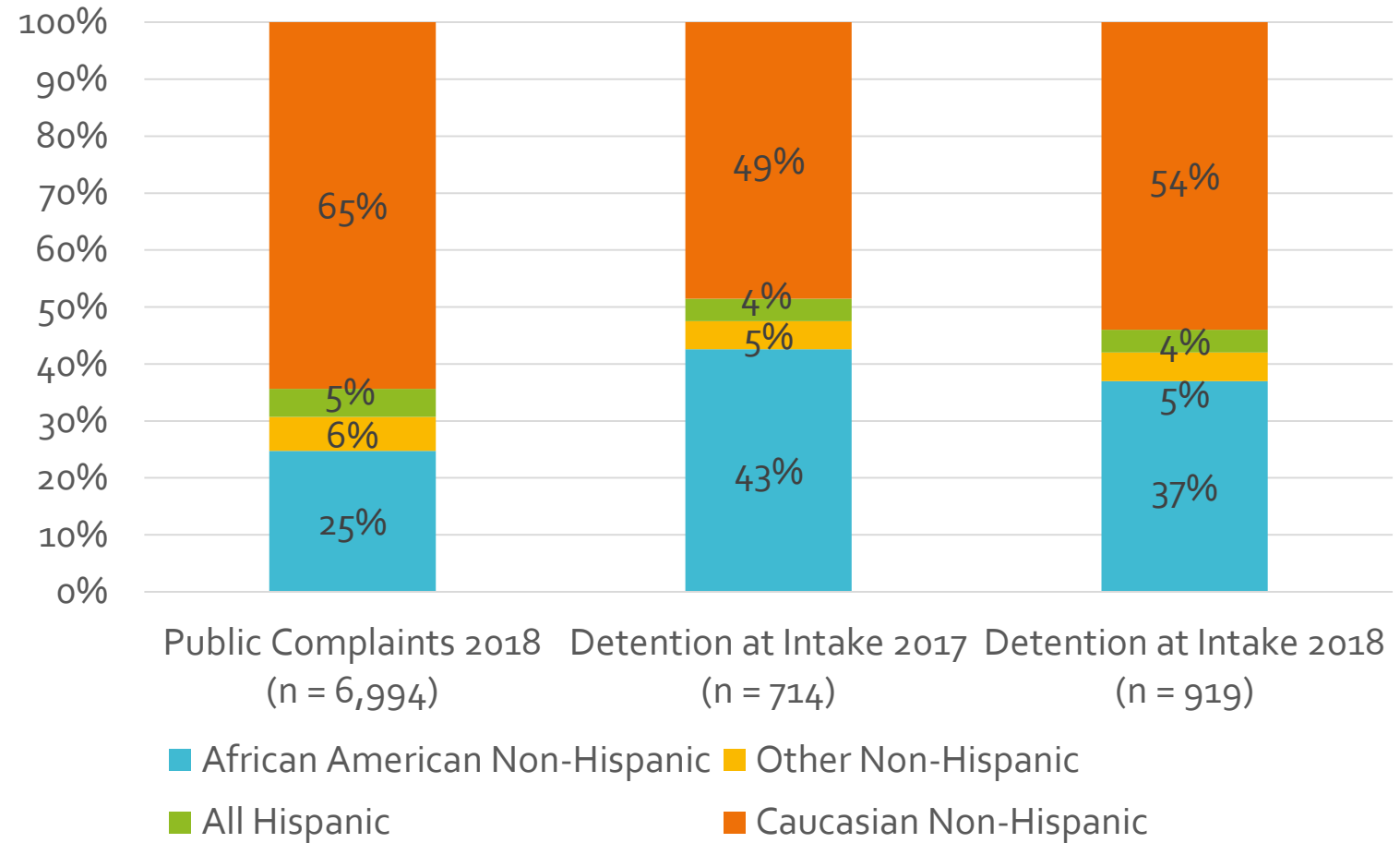
African American Youth Who Are Diverted are Overrepresented in Unsuccessful Diversions



Complaints Filed by
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January – June
Detained at Intake
2017 vs. 2018



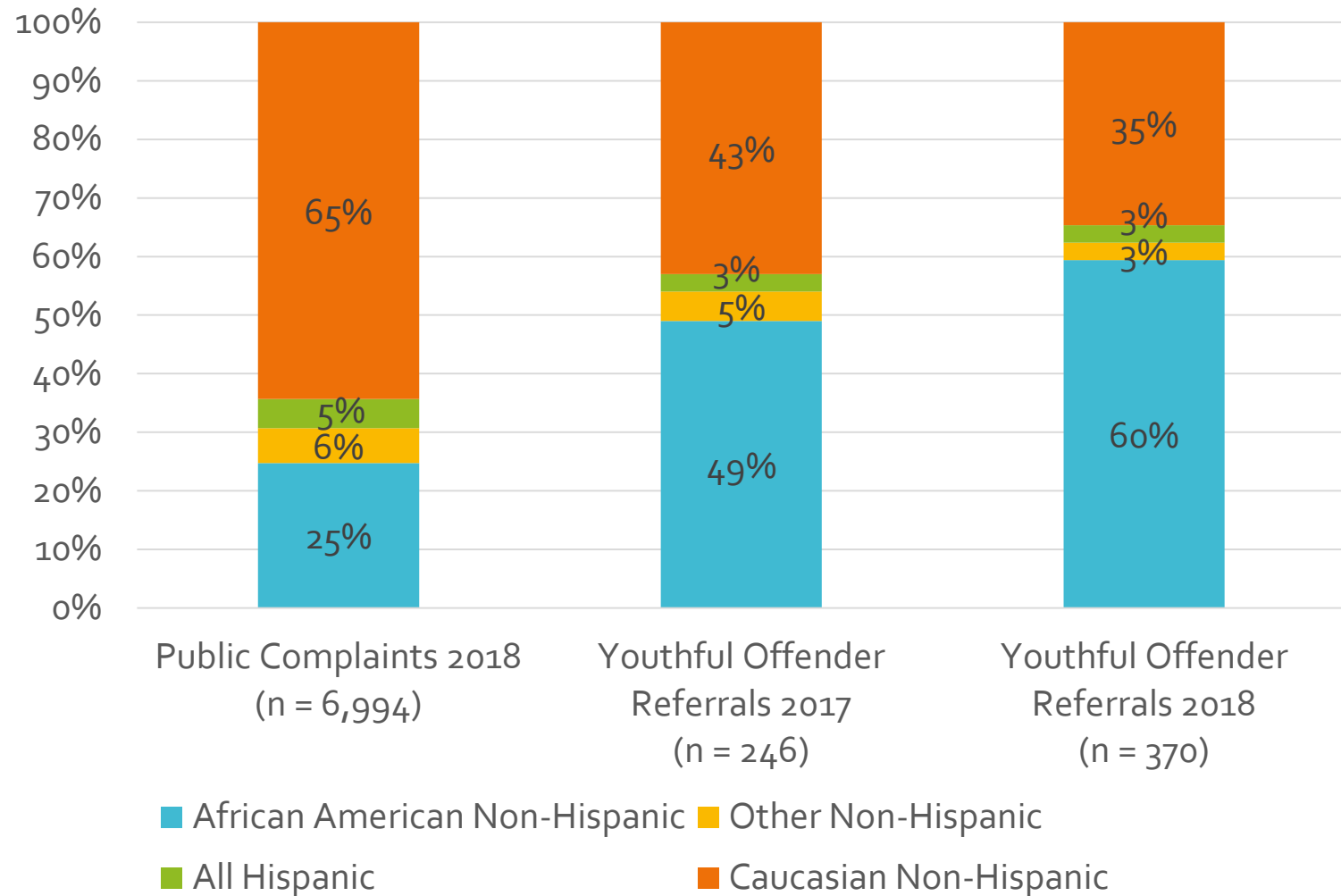
Second Largest Racial Disparity: African American Youth are Significantly Overrepresented in Detention at Intake



Complaints Filed by Race/Ethnicity January – June Youthful Offenders 2017 vs. 2018



Largest Racial Disparity: 11% of the Population Suffers 60% of the Harshest Consequences



Alarming Trends in the Top 4 DMC Counties



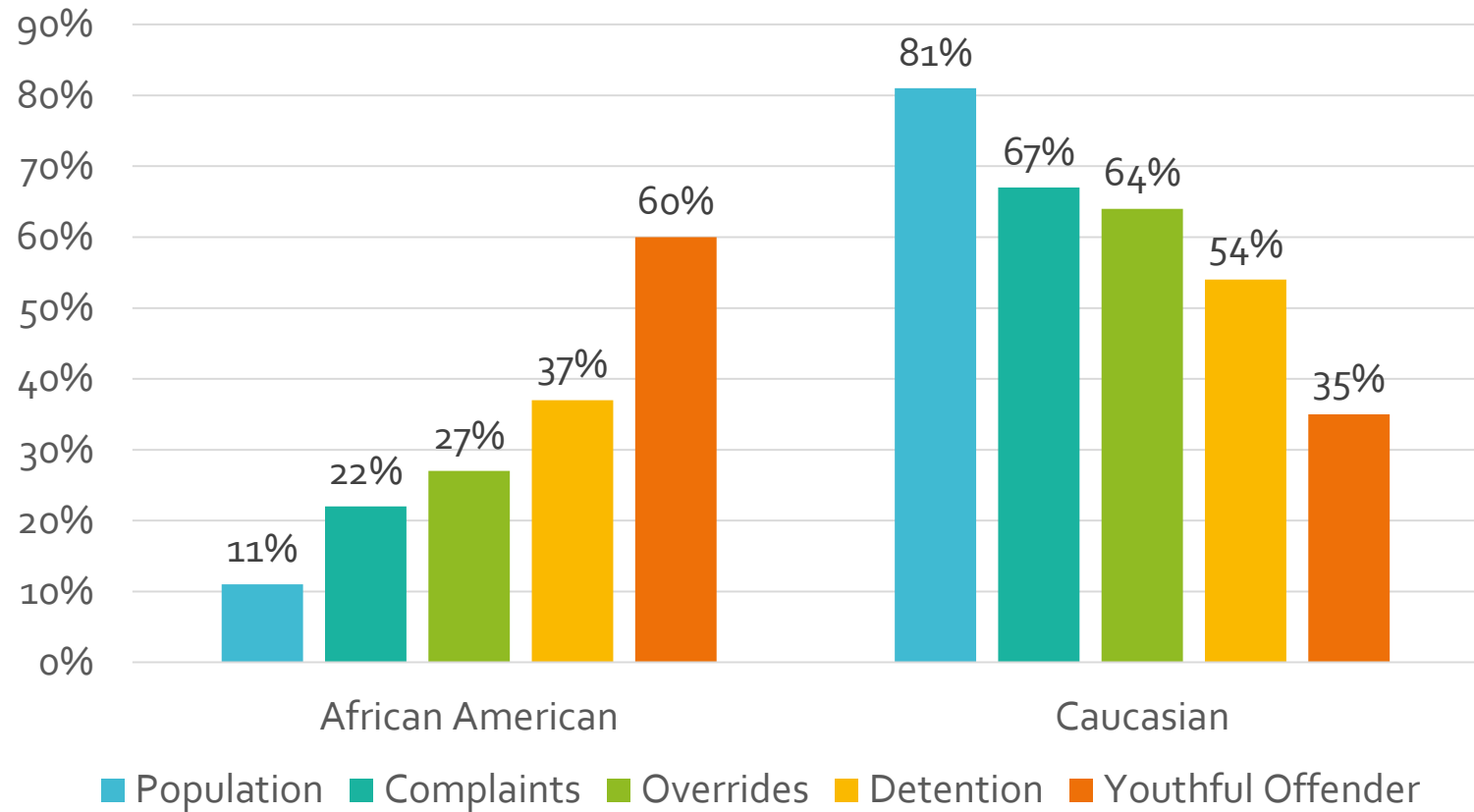
- Hardin – African American youth are 15% of the population
 - 27% of complaints
 - 63% of youthful offenders - 4x their representation in complaints
- Fayette – African American youth are 20% of the population
 - Only 39% of diversion agreements, but 67% of unsuccessful diversions
 - 64% of detained youth – 3x their representation in complaints
- Christian – African American youth are 25% of the population
 - 76% of detained youth – 3x their representation in complaints
 - 83% of youthful offenders
- Jefferson – African American youth are 29% of the population
 - 71% of overrides by the judiciary and the county attorney
 - 77% of youthful offenders

Top 4 counties identified by the Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP), U.S. Department of Justice

Percentage of Youth at Contact Points by Race January – June 2018



Senate Bill 200 Behaved Exactly as Intended – But Only For White Youth



Preliminary Outcomes

- Internal policy change on appointment scheduling
- Successfully reduced Failure To Appear
- New office space acquired at the Neighborhood Places located across Jefferson County
- New release options to youth that cater to both male and female
- Closer partnerships with African American community leaders to create programs and mentoring opportunities



JJOC Considerations



- Refer all kids 12 and under to the FAIR Team
- Mandatory diversion of certain cases when the child has no prior adjudications
- Closely examine the criteria that results in kids being referred as youthful offenders to circuit court



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