

Being Latino at The University of Oregon: Survey Results

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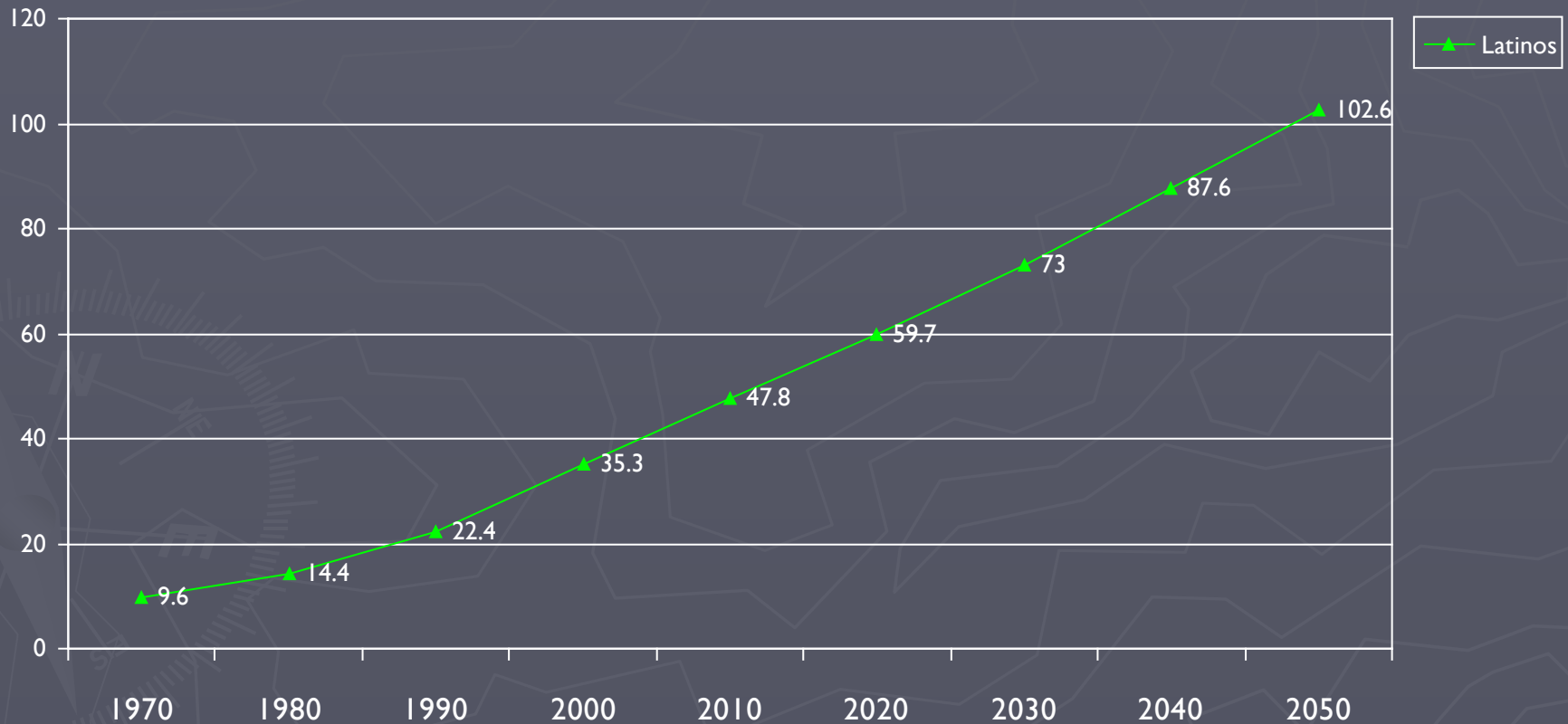
The U.S.--A Changing Demography

It is estimated that by 2050, Whites will make up 47% of the U.S. population and Latinos 29%.



Latinos in the United States: The inevitable!

There are over 45 million Latinos in the U.S., by 2050, it is estimated there will be over 100 million



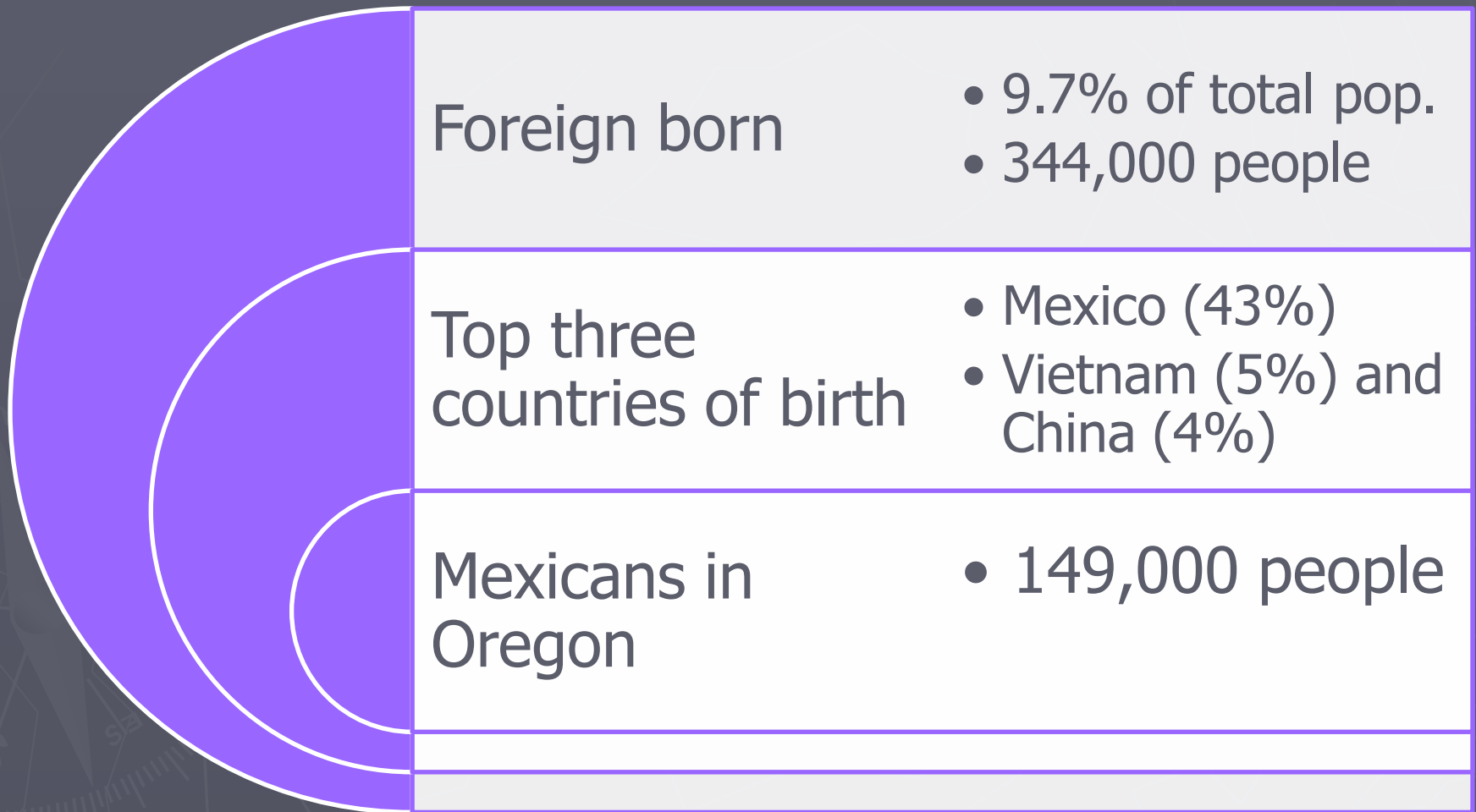
Source: US Census Bureau

Country of Origin of the Immigrants, U.S. 2000



The predominance of immigrants from Mexico and Asian countries today contrasts with the mostly European immigration before (up-to the 1960s)

The Foreign Born in Oregon



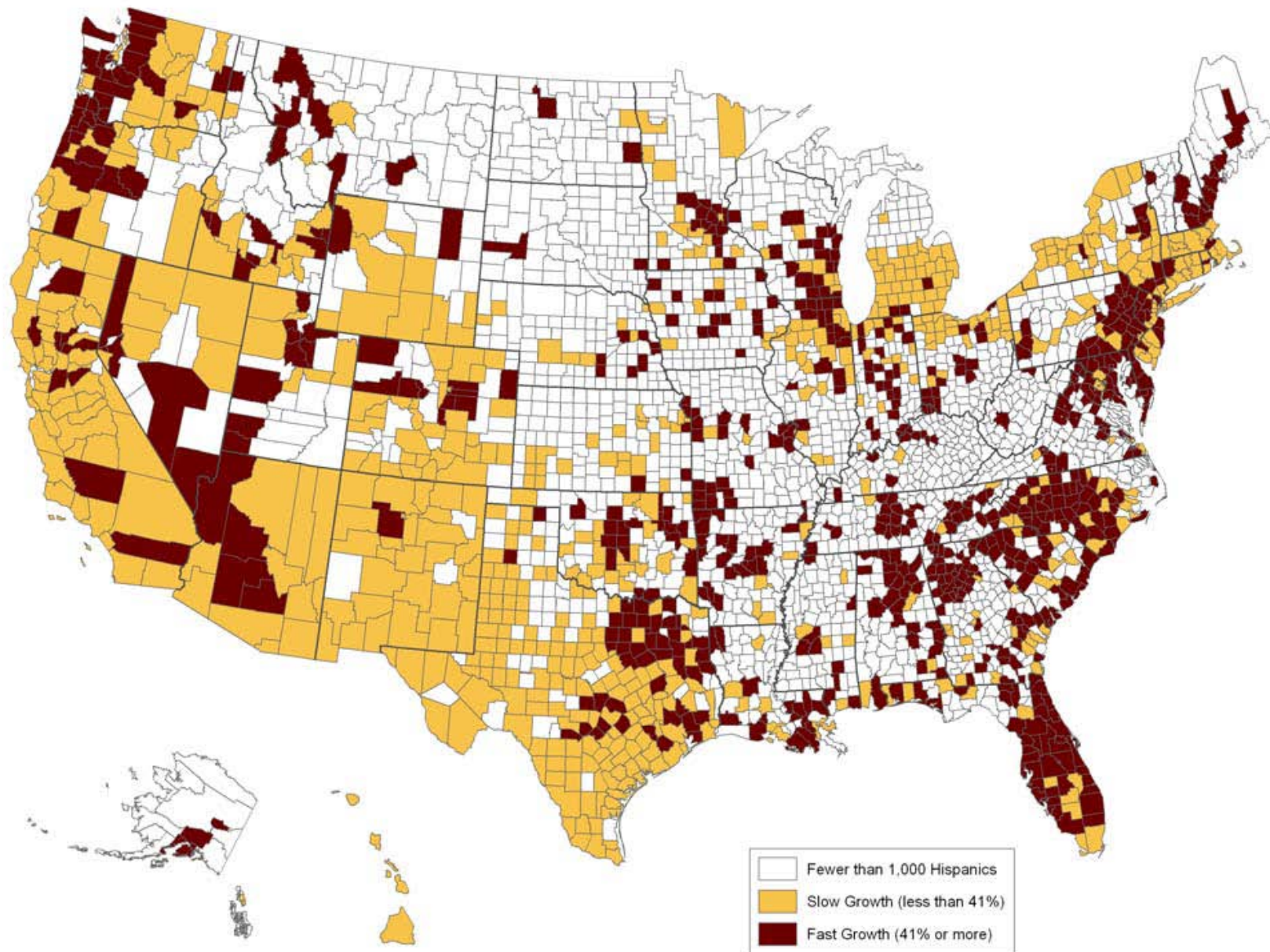
Latinos in the U.S.

- ▶ Latinos are the fastest growing ethnic minority group in the U.S.
- ▶ Latinos are the largest ethnic (racial) minority group in the U.S.
- ▶ Since 2000, Latinos have accounted for more than half (50.5%) of the overall population growth in the United States
- ▶ As of mid-2007, Latinos accounted for 15.1% of the total U.S. population.
- ▶ Latinos will comprise over 25% of the U.S. population by 2050
- ▶ Latino students are 1 in 5 of the school population
- ▶ Since 2000, many Latinos have settled in counties that once had few Latinos, continuing a pattern that began in the previous decade.

All Latinos are NOT the Same



Map 2. Fast-Growing Hispanic Counties, 2000-2007





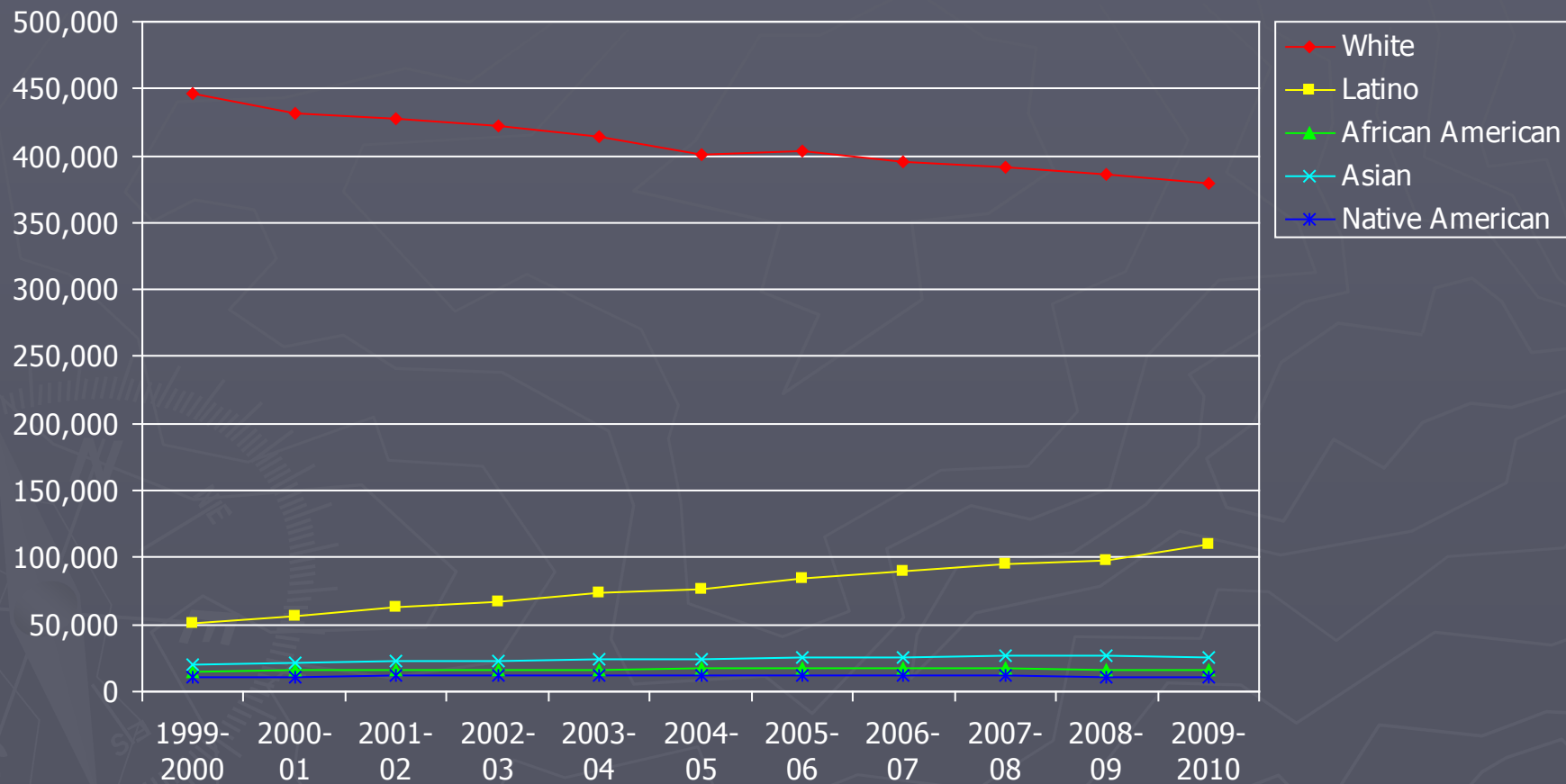
United States' Changing Student Population

	1993-1994	2006-2007	Change
Number of Students	43,014,466	49,676,964	15.4%
African American	7,160,142	8,395,407	17.2%
Asian	1,545,621	2,235,463	44.6%
Native American	463,943	596,124	28.4%
Latino	5,461,051	10,183,777	86.4%
White	27,525,331	27,769,422	.01%
English Learners	2,121,000	4,222,542	99.0%

Source: US Department of Education

Oregon School Demographics

From 1999 to 2009 there was a 113% increase in Latino students. There was a 15.1% decrease of White students.



Latino Students' Enrollment Oregon Public Schools

- ▶ At the current growth rate, 28% of student enrollment will be Hispanic students by the year 2020

Race/ethnicity student projections were made using actual data from 1980 through 2005

Latino Path to the University

- ▶ For every 100 Latino elementary school students, 48 drop out of high school and 52 graduate.
- ▶ Of the 52 that graduate high school, 31 enroll in college.
- ▶ Of the 31 who enroll in college, 20 go to community college and 11 go to a 4-year university.
- ▶ Of the 20 who go to community college, 2 transfer to a 4-year university.
- ▶ Of the 31 who enrolled in college, 10 graduate.
- ▶ Of the 10 who graduate college, 4 earn a graduate degree and less than 1 earns a PhD.

Latinos at the University of Oregon

Category	Fall 2009	
Undergraduates	18514	82.7%
Graduates	3872	17.3%
TOTAL	22386	
Ethnic Minorities	3566	15.9%
Hispanic	855	3.8%

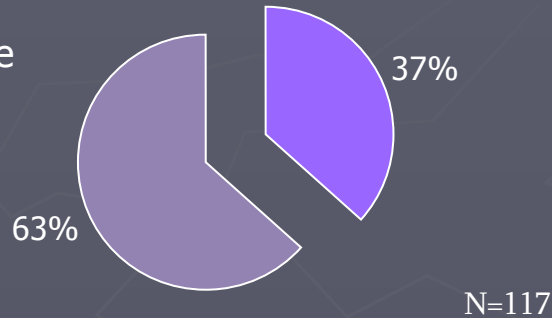
http://registrar.uoregon.edu/statistics/facts_at_a_glance/fall_2009#Ethnic_Identity

The Survey

- ▶ Developed by Pedro García-Caro, Robert L. Davis, and Edward M. Olivos from the University of Oregon
- ▶ Administered by Amy Costales
- ▶ Response period was from March 7 to April 9, 2010 using Survey Monkey
- ▶ Invitation was sent to majors and minors in Romance Languages, Ethnic Studies, Education Studies, Latin American Studies, and by invitation from specific professors to their students
- ▶ Survey is based on an instrument from the University of Illinois
- ▶ N=138 (16% of UO Latino student population)

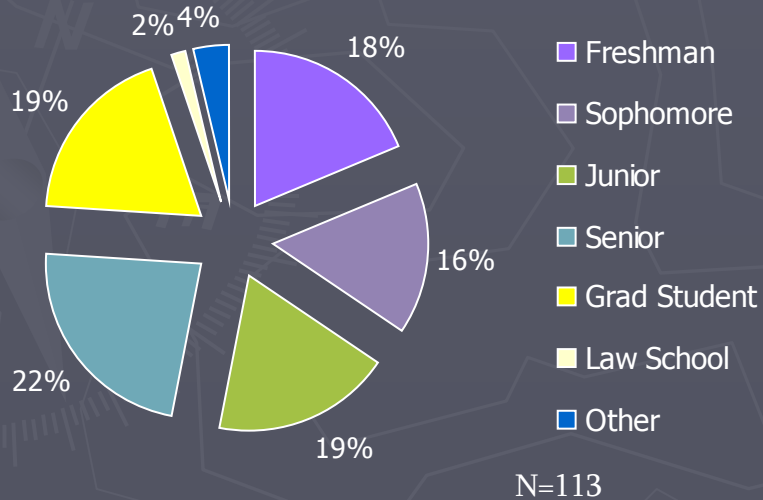
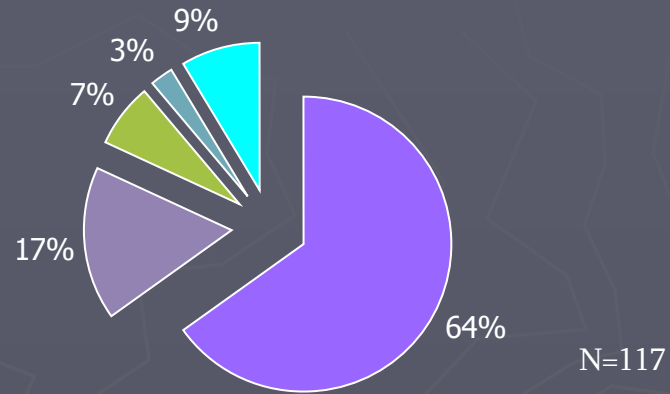
Respondents

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Female

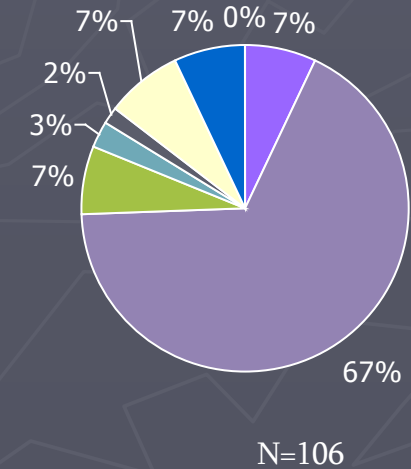


Age

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28-32
33-37
38+



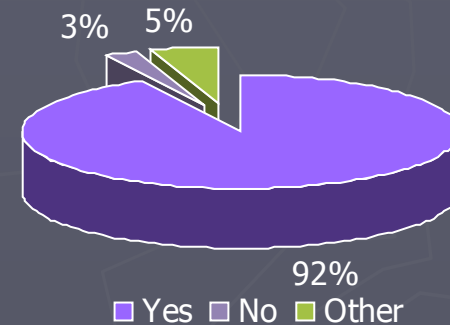
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Music/Dance



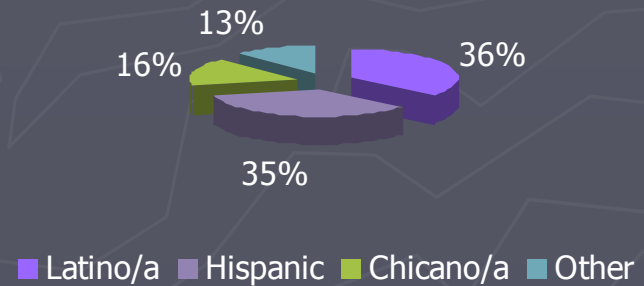
Self Identification & Preference

- ▶ The majority of the respondents identified themselves as Latino/a or Hispanic (92.4%)
- ▶ Latino and Hispanic were the top preferred self-identifiers (N=116)
- ▶ Some respondents preferred nationalities, etc.

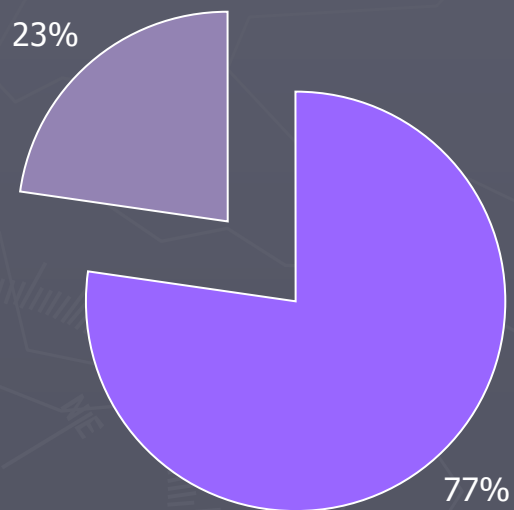
Do You Identify as Latino/a?



Which Identifier Do You Prefer?

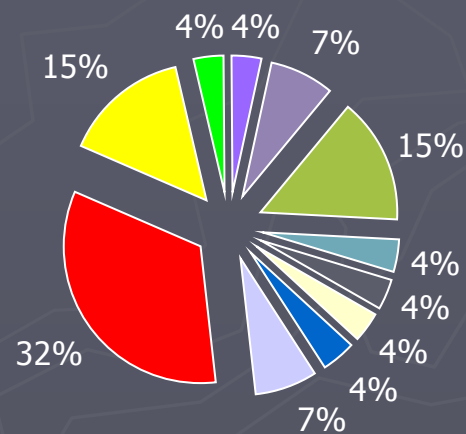


Where Were Students Born?



United States Foreign Born

N=118

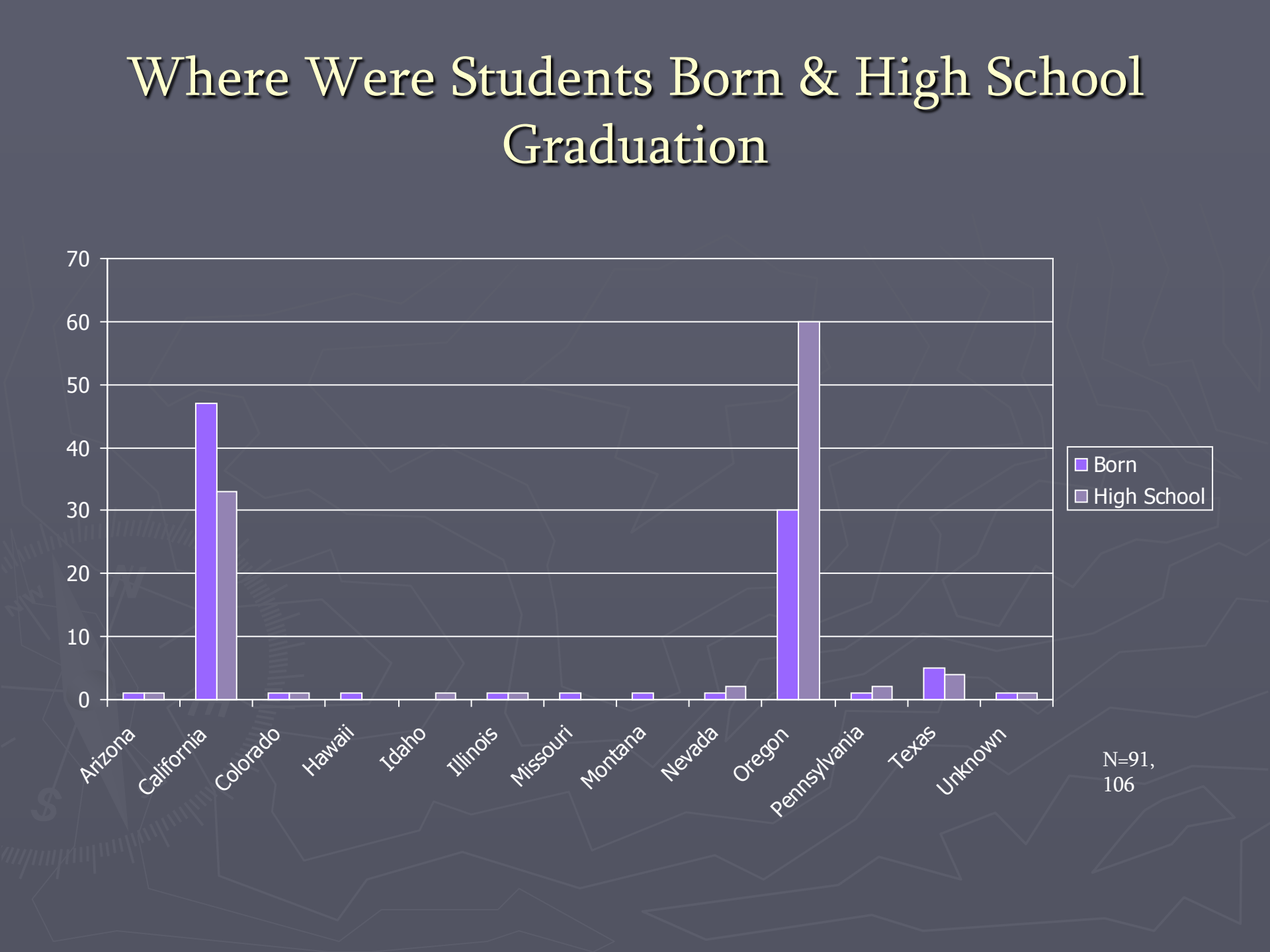


N=27

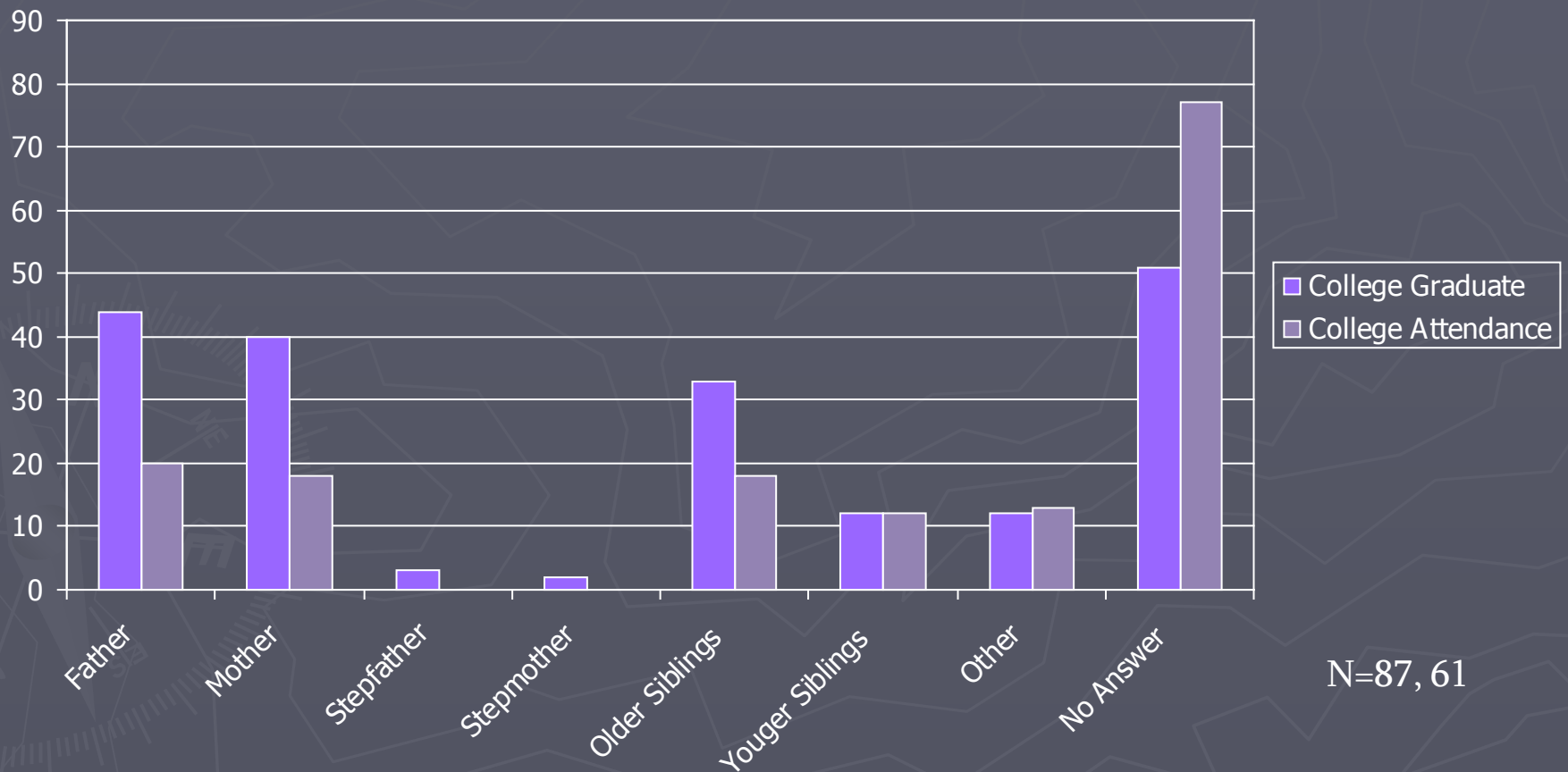
Where Were Students Born & High School Graduation

State	Born	High School
Arizona	1	1
California	47	33
Colorado	1	1
Hawaii	1	0
Idaho	0	1
Illinois	1	1
Missouri	1	0
Montana	1	0
Nevada	1	2
Oregon	30	60
Pennsylvania	1	2
Texas	5	4
Unknown	1	1

N=91, 106



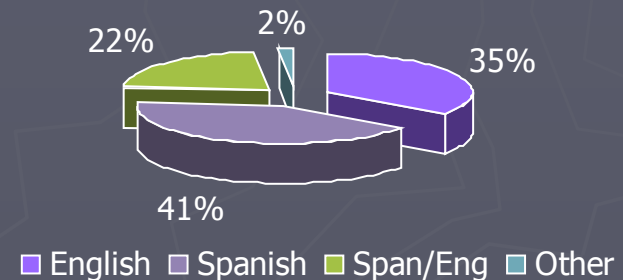
College Graduates and Family Background



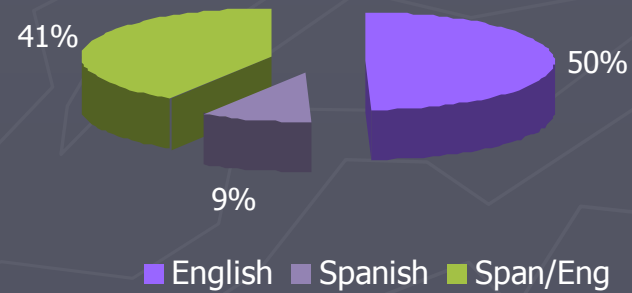
Language Use & Language Shift

- ▶ The majority of the respondents first spoke Spanish or Spanish with a combination of English (N=117)
- ▶ 9 respondents reported parents who speak indigenous languages
- ▶ Half of the respondents prefer to speak English (N=117)

Which Language Did You Speak First?

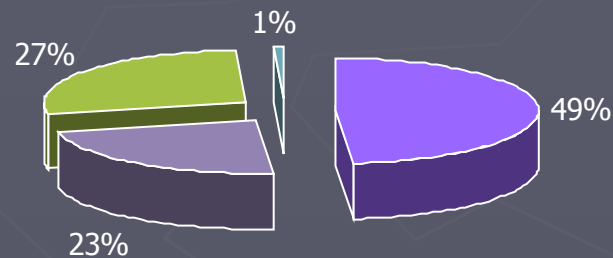


Which Language Do You Prefer to Speak Now?

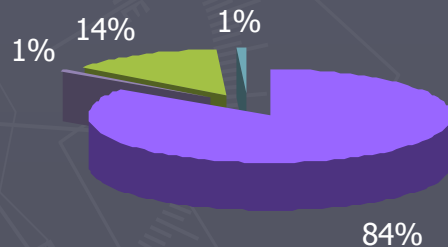


Language Use & Language Shift

Which Language Do You Mostly Speak at Home?



Which Language Do You Mostly Speak at UO?

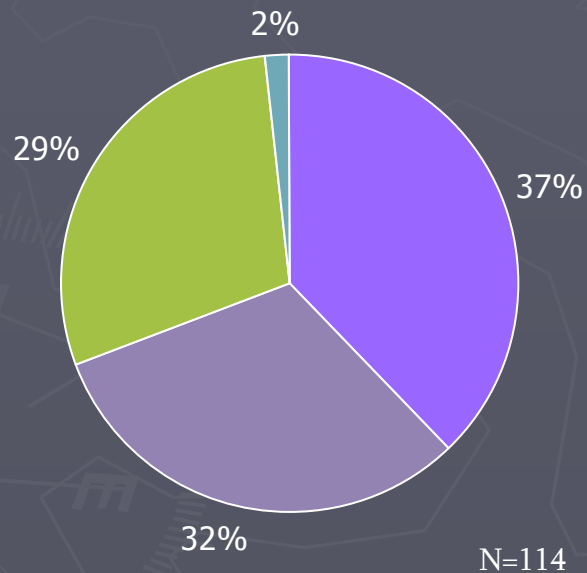


English Spanish Span/Eng Other

- ▶ The majority of the respondents (49%) speak English at home (N=117)
- ▶ At the University of Oregon, the majority of the respondents use English (84%) (N=117)

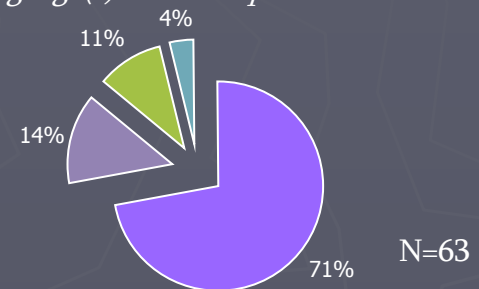
Language Use in the Family

Which Language(s) Do You Speak With Your Parents?

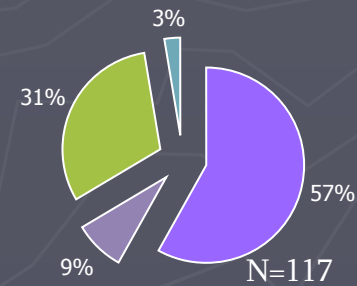


English Spanish Spanish/English Other

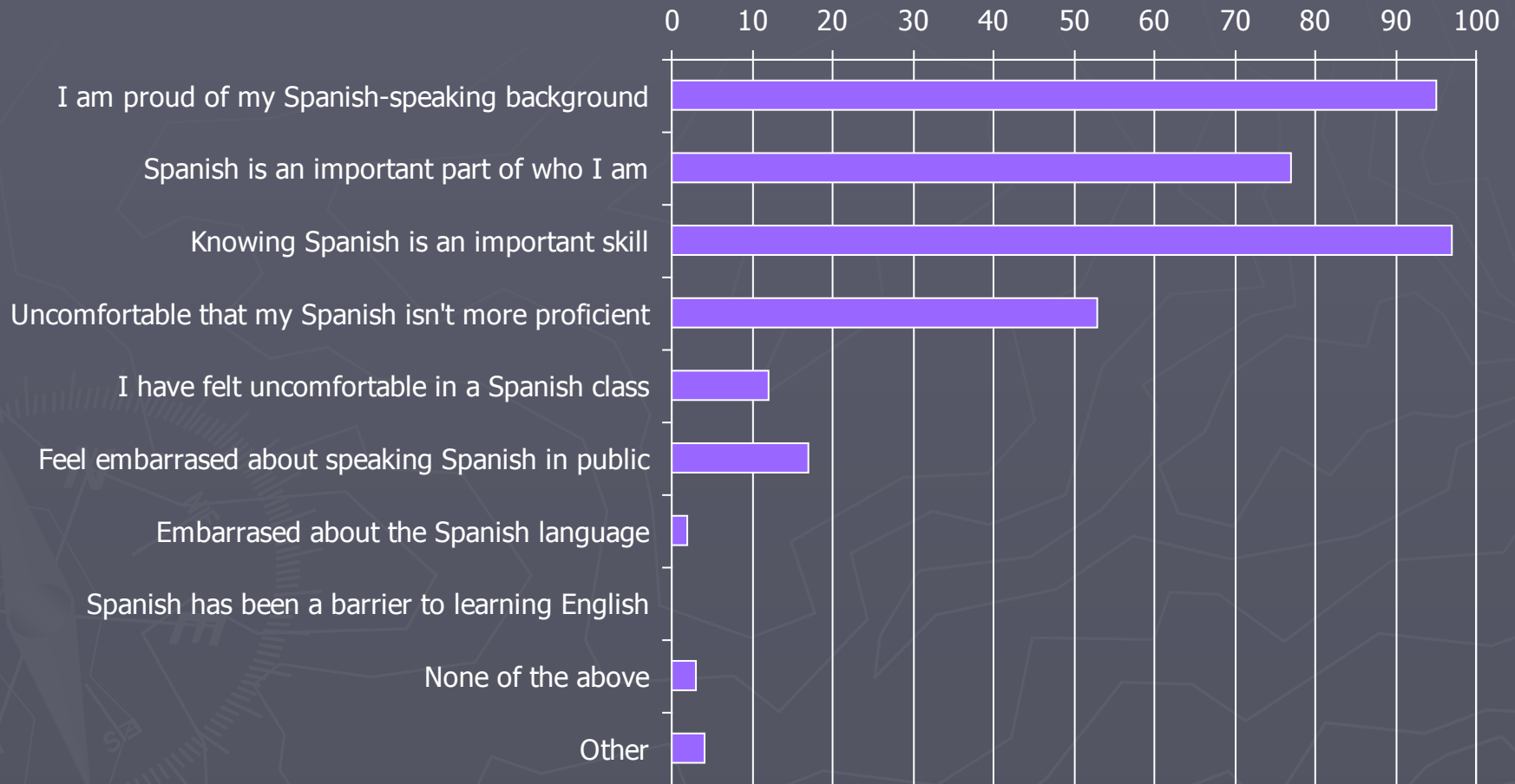
Which Language(s) Do You Speak with Partner?



Which Language Do You Feel Most Comfortable Speaking?



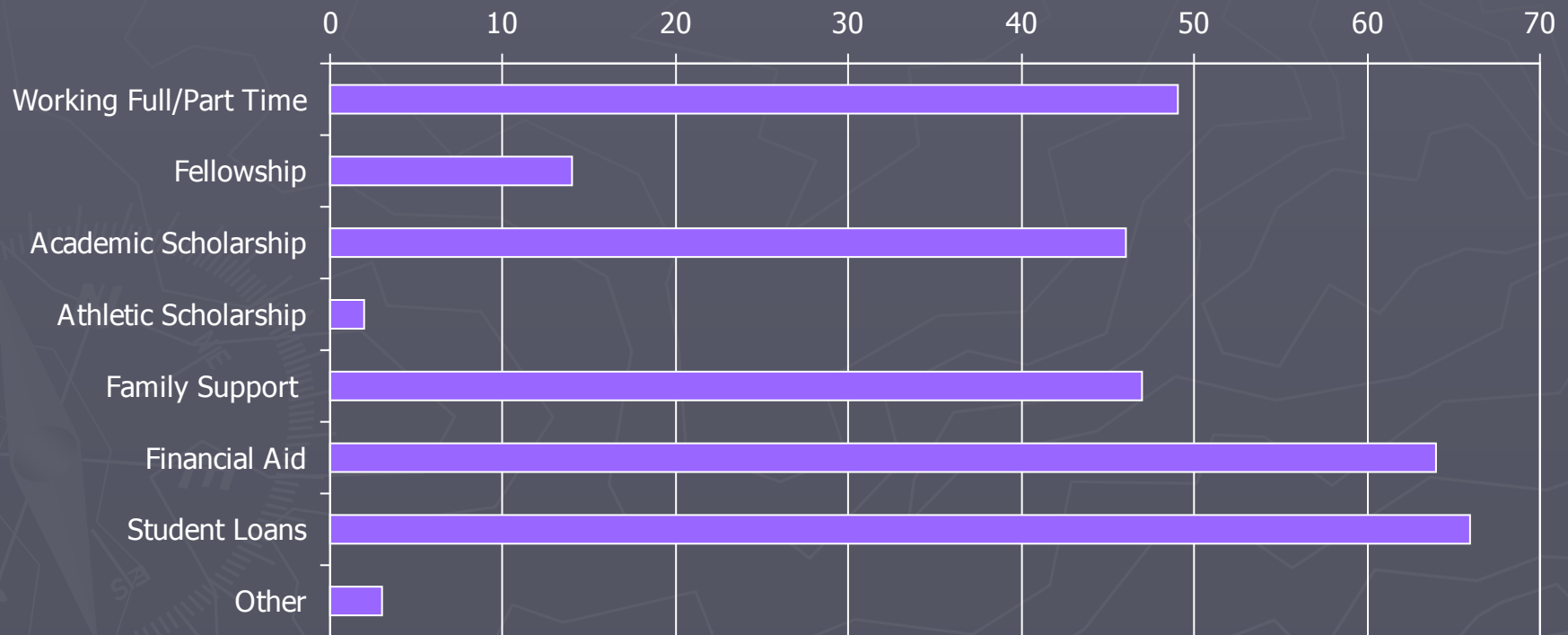
Attitudes About Spanish



N=113

Being Latino/a at the UO: Obligations

*How are you paying for college?
(check all that apply)*

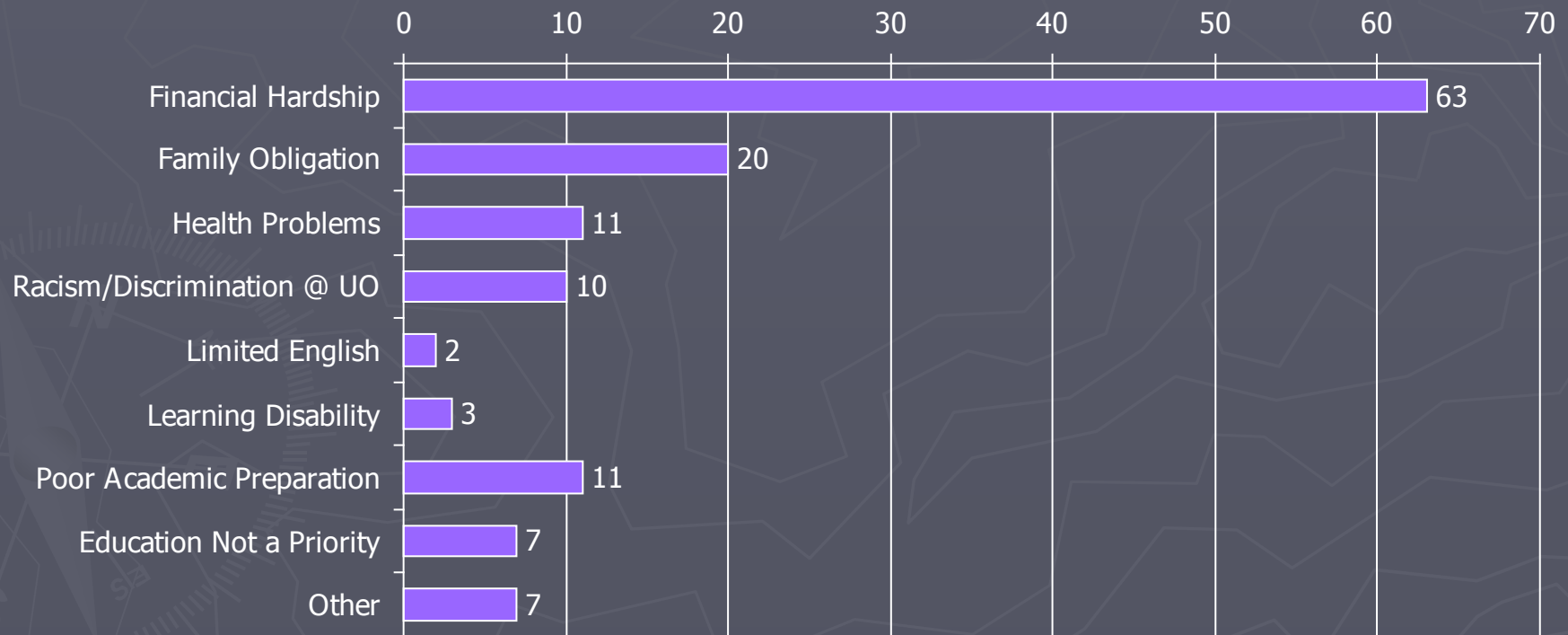


N=106

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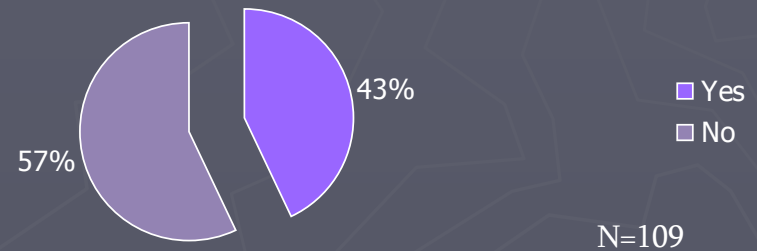
*Could any of the following factors prevent you from graduating?
(check all that apply)*

N=75

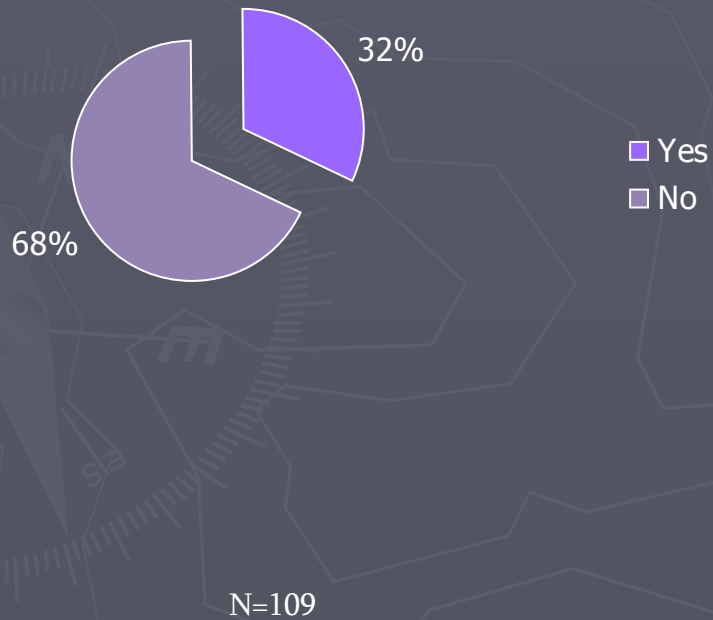


Being Latino/a at the UO: Discrimination

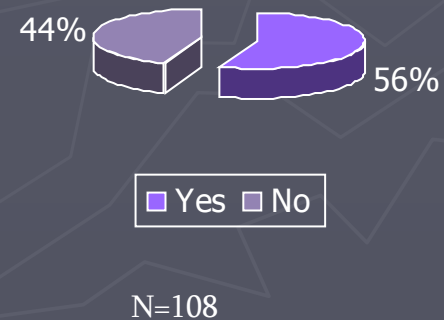
How you ever felt discriminated against in Eugene?



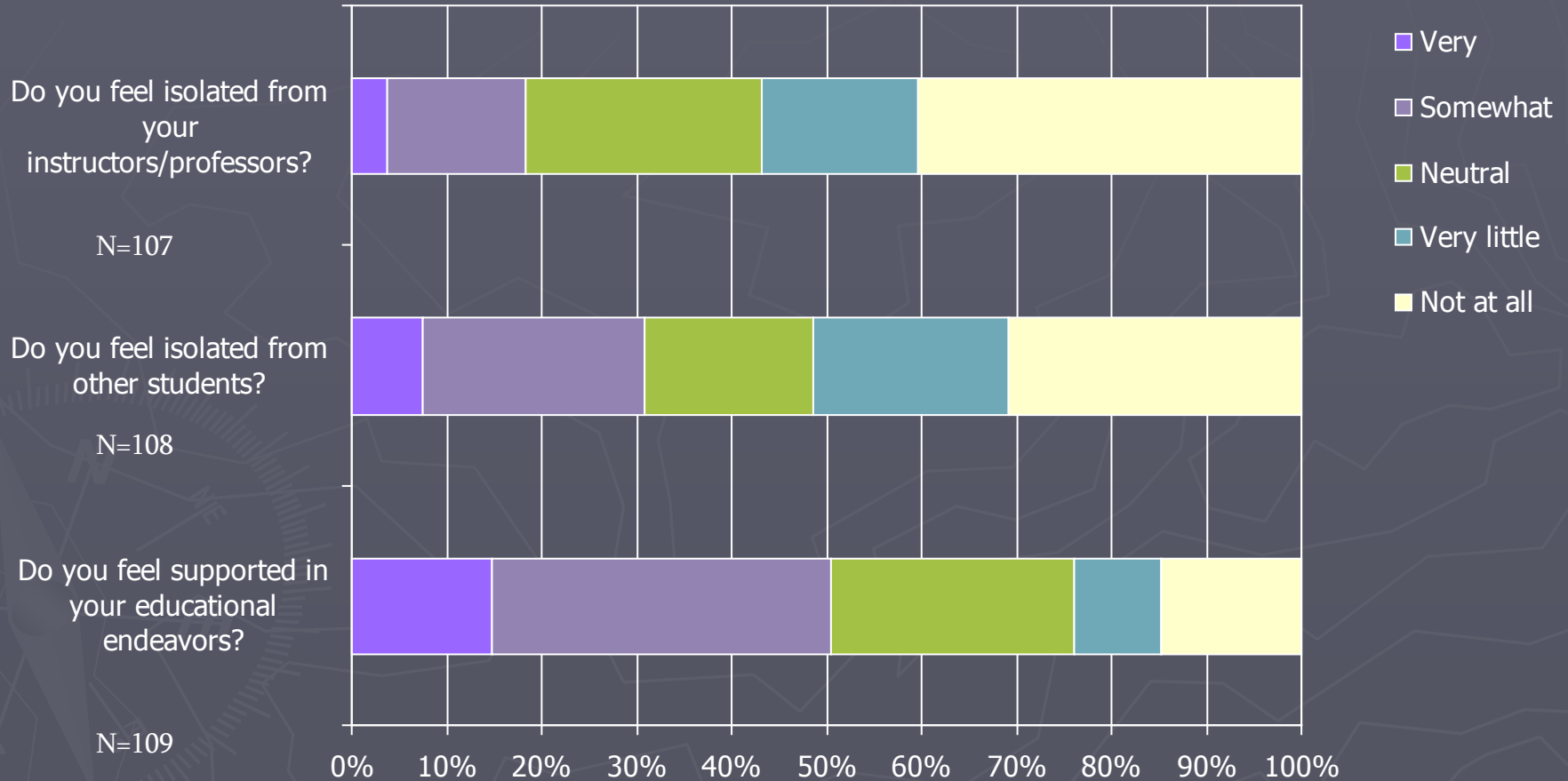
Have you ever felt discriminated against at the UO?



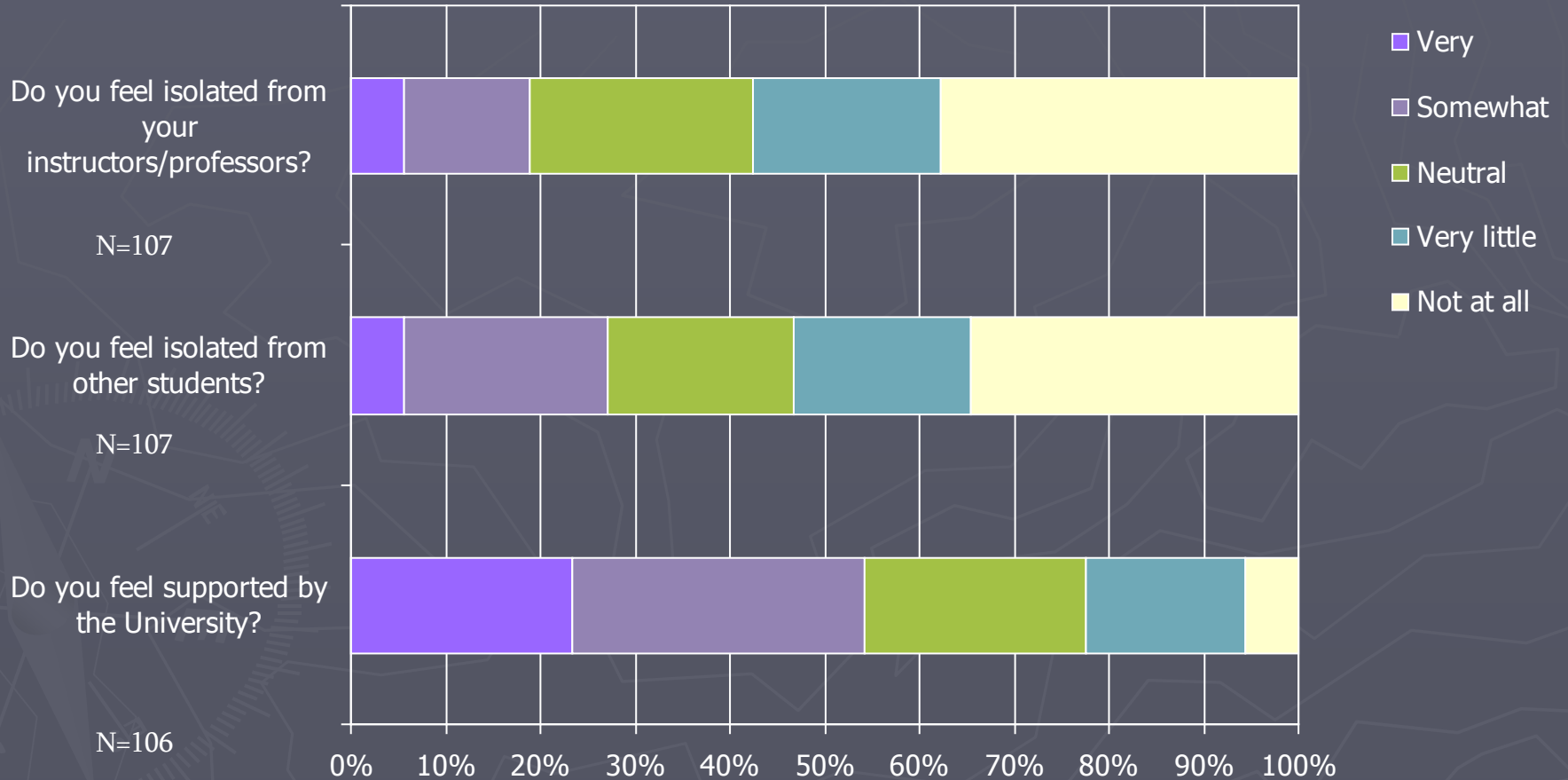
Have you ever felt discriminated against in Oregon?



As a Latino/a in your college/school . . .

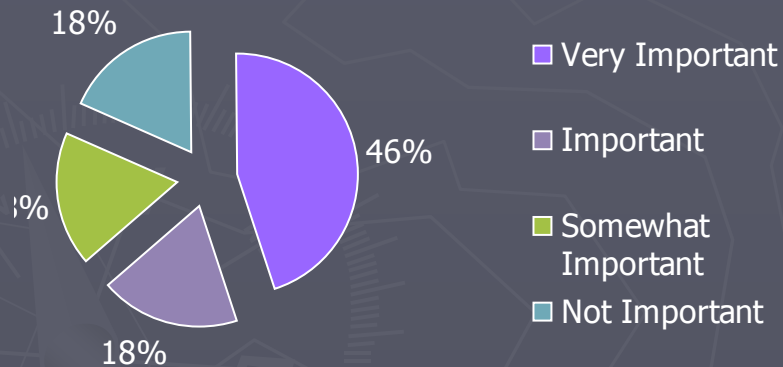


As a Latino/a at the UO . . .

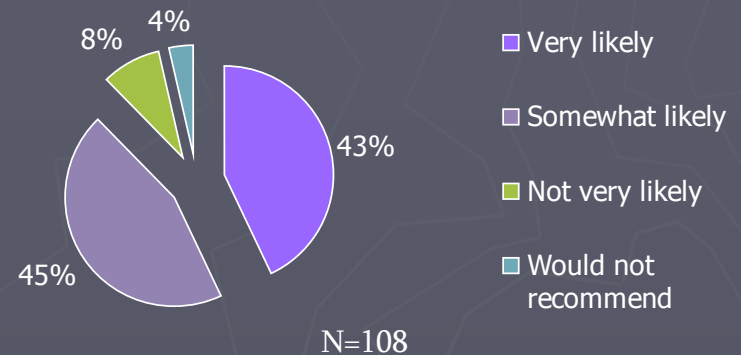


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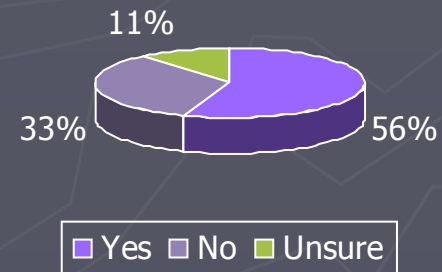
How Important is it to You to Have a Latino Instructor?



How Likely are You to Recommend UO to Your Latino Friends?



Have You Ever Had a Latino/a Instructor at the UO?



Initial results: Summary

- ▶ Self-identification (about half Latino, half Hispanic, others nationality—some chose more than one label)
- ▶ Internal movement (CA > OR)
- ▶ Language shift
- ▶ College experience in family: flaw in survey—we don't know if no one went to College or if respondent just skipped the Q
- ▶ Attitudes about Spanish: overall positive, no one said SP was barrier to learning EN, about 50 are uncomfortable that their SP isn't more proficient