

Georgia Special Education Disproportionality Task Force

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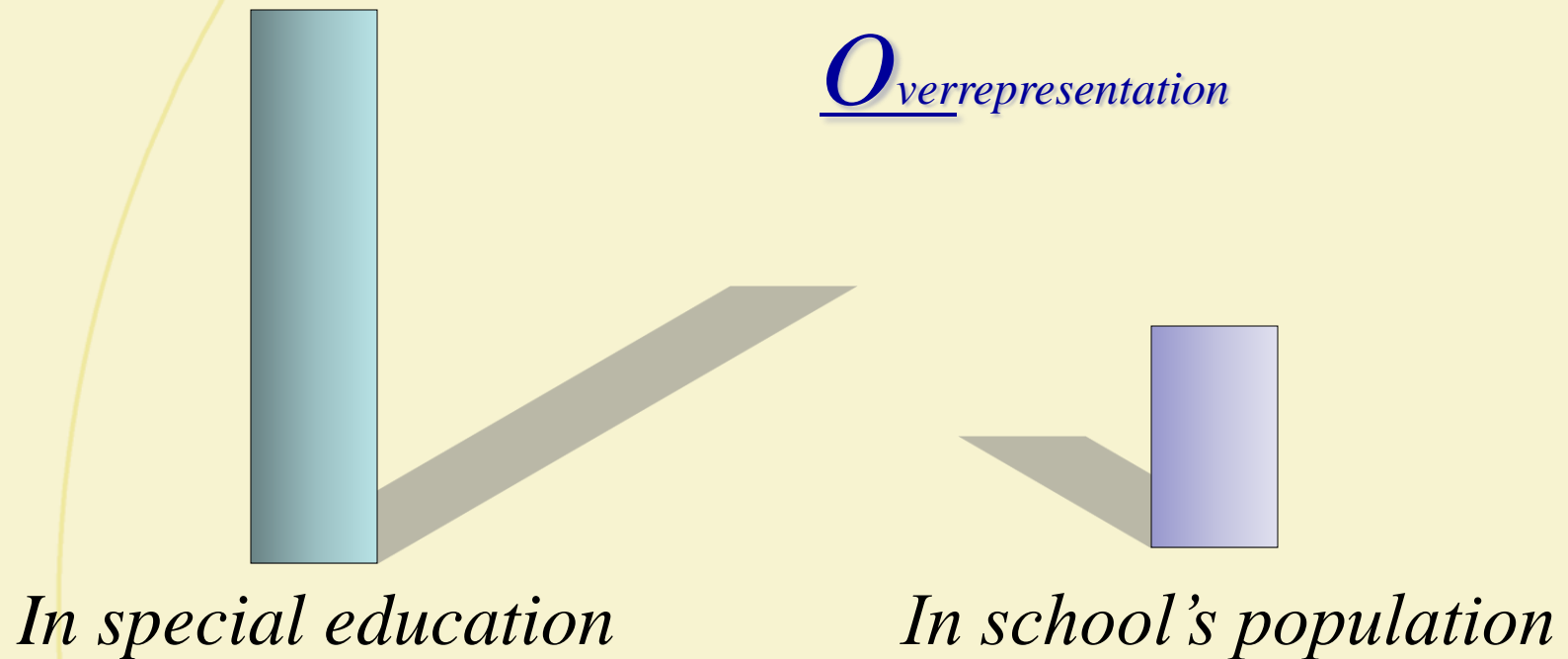
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We will lead the nation in improving student achievement.

What is Disproportionality?

Percent (%) of students of a specific ethnicity or race



What is *Disproportionality*?

Percent (%) of students of a specific ethnicity or race

Underrepresentation



In special education



In school's population

Determining what constitutes Significant Disproportionality

- **States may define SD as long as it is based on numerical information and not policies or procedures**
- **May be based on different numbers for the different aspects**
- **May change from year to year**



Data
Accountability
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Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) Data

IDEA Data

TA Materials

Data Collection Forms

Methods for Assessing Racial/Ethnic Disproportionality in Special Education: A Technical Assistance Guide, July 2007

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Federally Reported Categories

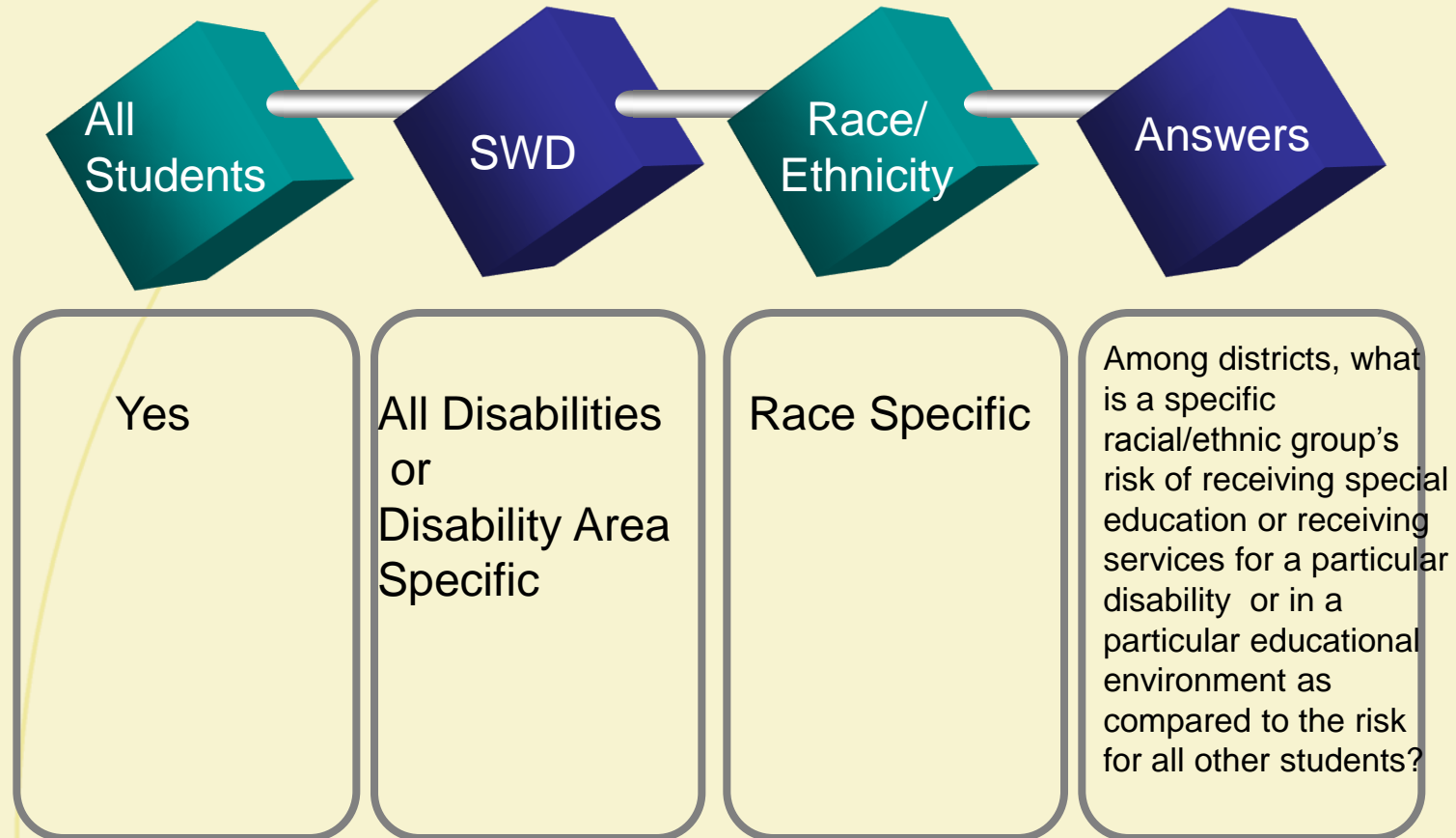
- ✓ **American Indian/Alaskan Native**
- ✓ **Asian**
- ✓ **Black**
- ✓ **Hispanic**
- ✓ **Pacific Islander**
- ✓ **Two or More Races**
- ✓ **White**

Disability Areas

- **All Disabilities**
- **Autism**
- **Emotional /Behavioral Disorder**
- **Mental Retardation (Intellectual Disability)**
- **Other Health Impairments**
- **Specific Learning Disabilities**
- **Speech/Language Impairment**

Weighted Risk Ratio

All Disabilities



Weighted Risk Ratio All Disabilities

Numerator

Risk for focus racial/ethnic group for special education

Denominator

Risk for comparison group for special education

Weighted Risk Ratio

Weighted risk ratio = $\frac{[(1 - \text{State White composition}) * \text{District White risk}]}{[(\text{State American Indian/Alaska Native composition} * \text{District American Indian/Alaska Native risk}) + (\text{State Asian composition} * \text{District Asian risk}) + (\text{State Pacific Islander composition} * \text{District Pacific Islander risk}) + (\text{State Black composition} * \text{District Black risk}) + (\text{State Hispanic composition} * \text{District Hispanic risk}) + (\text{State Multi composition} * \text{District Multi risk})]}$

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Weighted Risk Ratio Disability Specific

Numerator

Risk for racial/ethnic
group for disability
category

Denominator

Risk for
comparison group
for disability
category

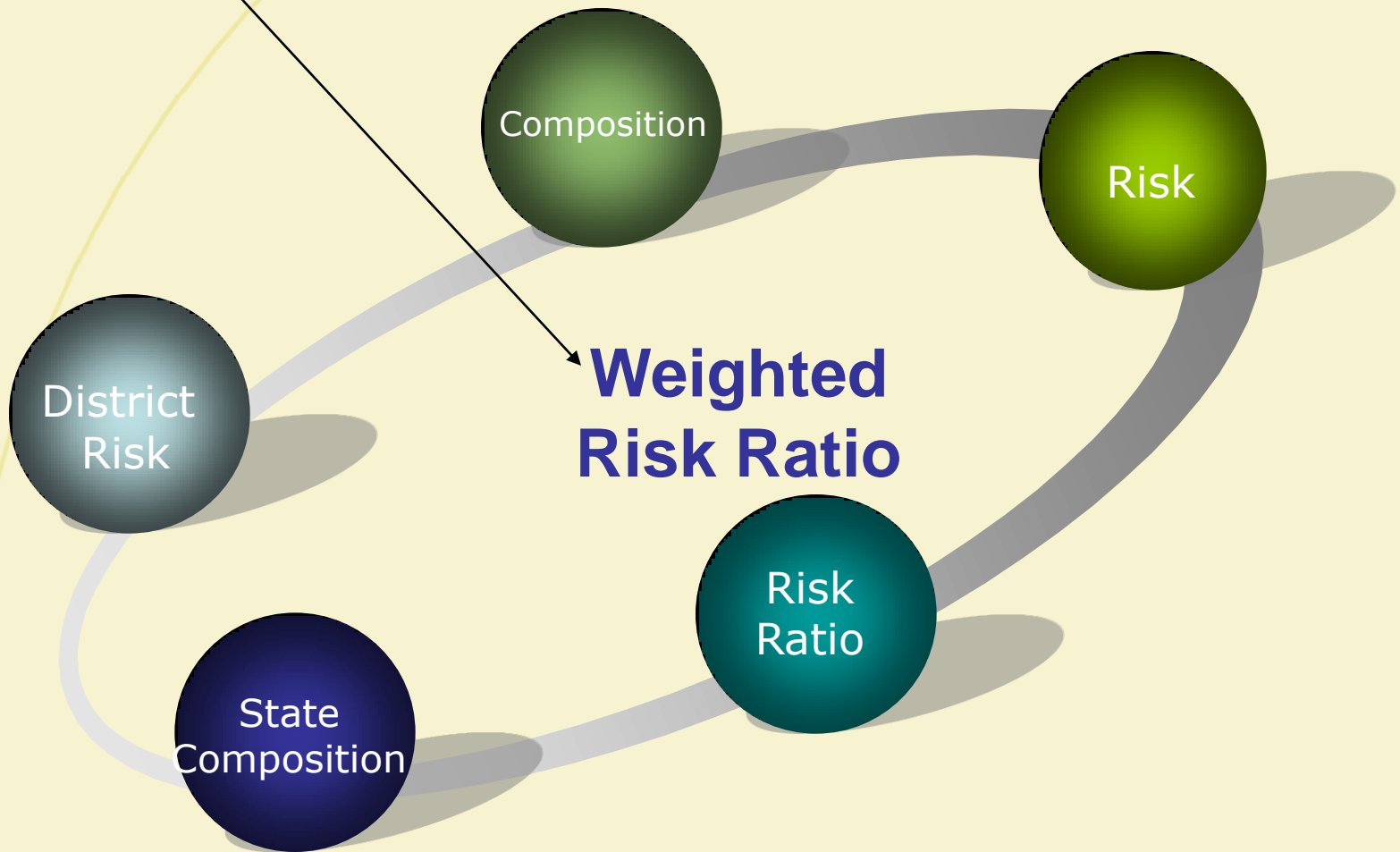
Weighted Risk Ratio

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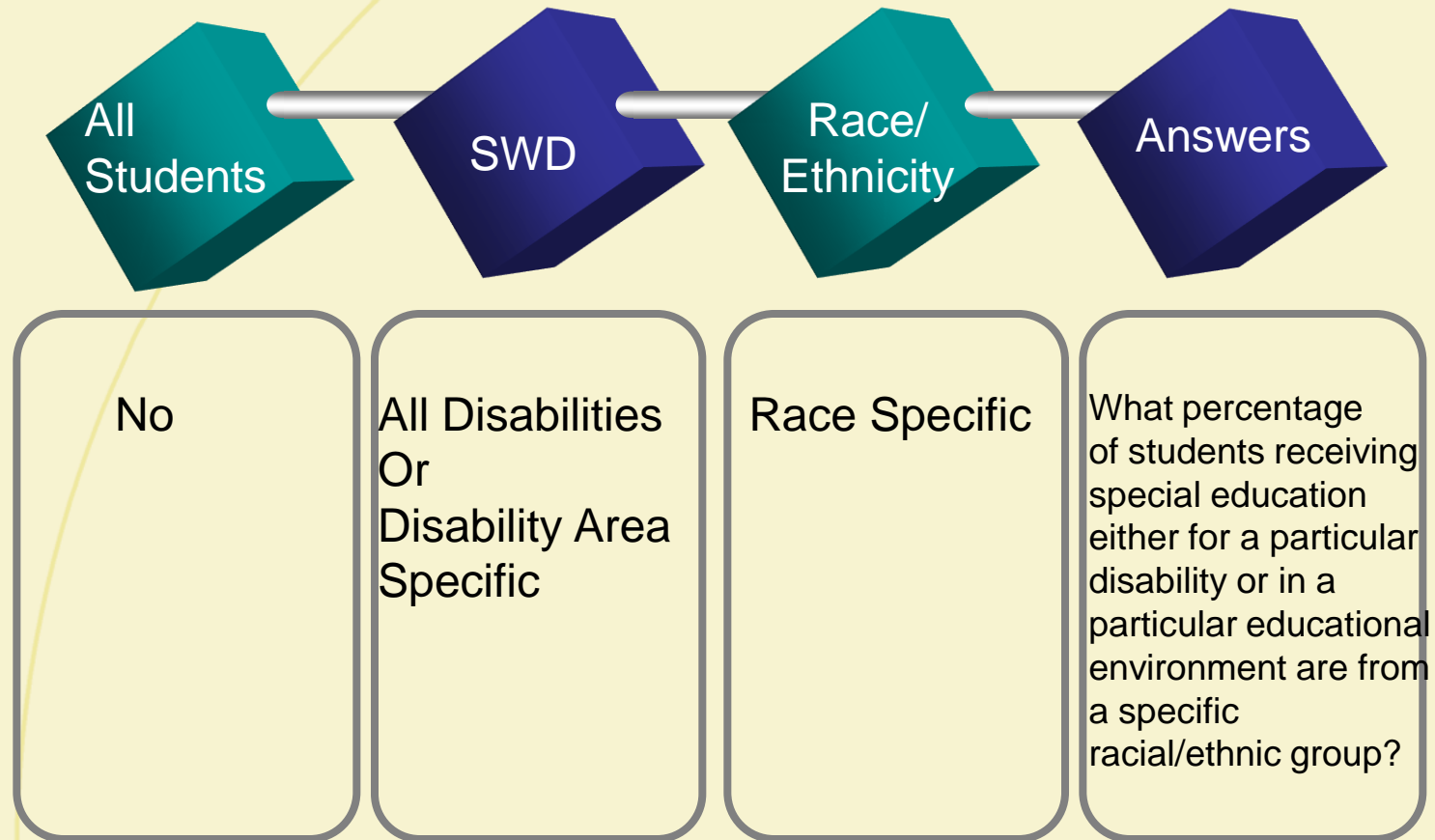
Weighted Risk Ratio Disability Specific

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Significant Disproportionality



Special Education Composition



Composition

Numerator

Number of students from focus racial/ethnic group in disability or educational environment category

Denominator

Total number of students in disability or educational environment category

Composition

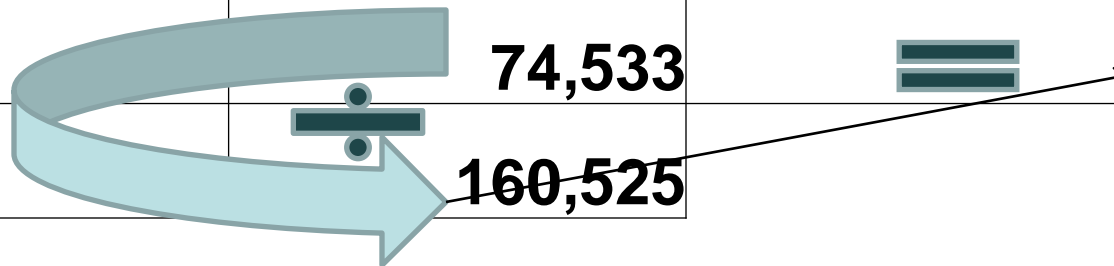
Composition =
(White students with disabilities/
All students with disabilities)
* 100

FY10 Enrollment Data – All Disabilities

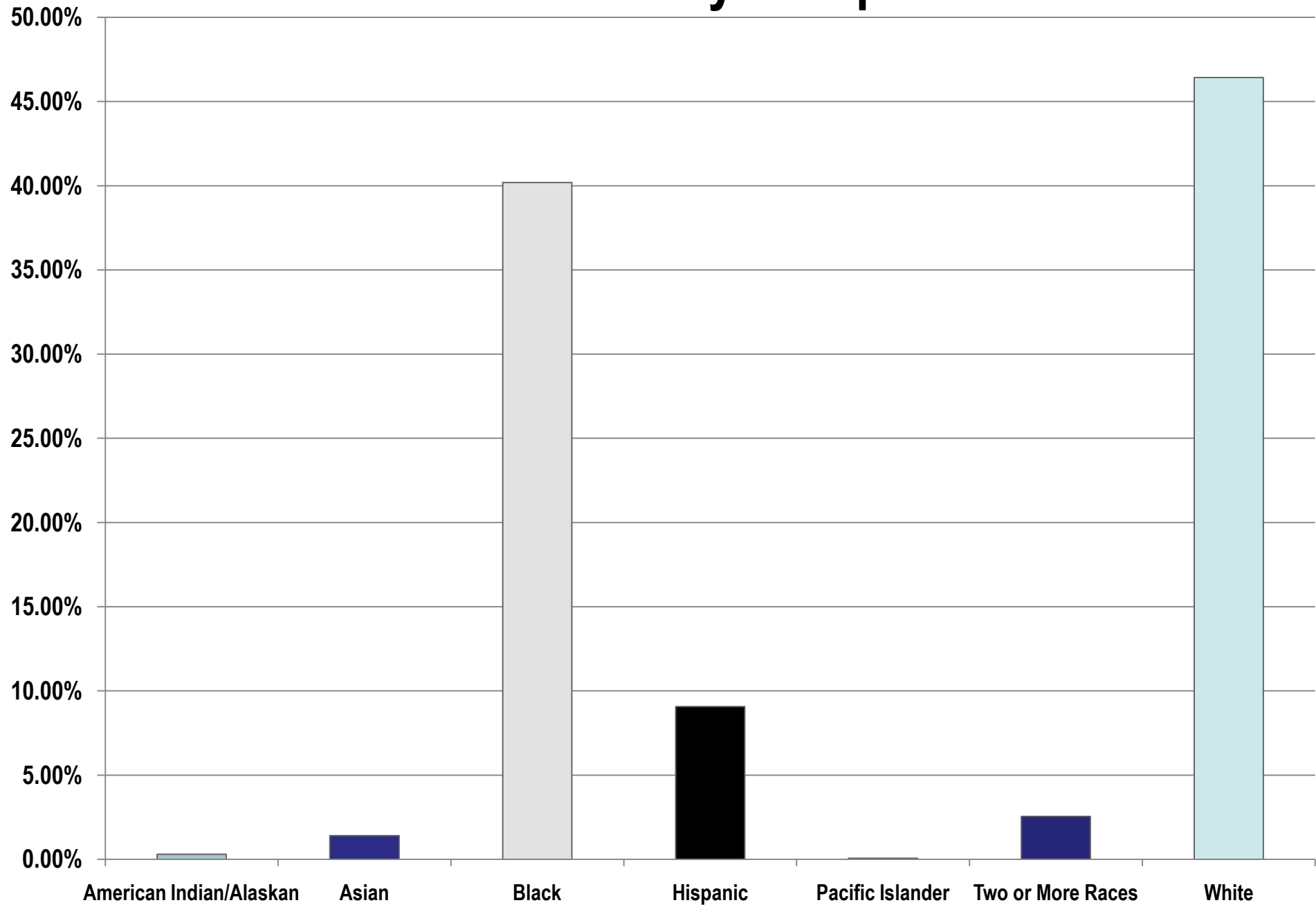
| Race/Ethnicity | Disability Count (Age 6-21) |
|--------------------------------|--|
| American Indian/Alaskan | 481 |
| Asian | 2,249 |
| Black | 64,527 |
| Hispanic | 14,552 |
| Pacific Islander | 99 |
| Two or More Races | 4,084 |
| White | 74,533 |
| Total | 160,525 |

FY10 Enrollment Data – All Disabilities

| Race/Ethnicity | Disability Count | Disability Composition |
|-------------------------|------------------|------------------------|
| American Indian/Alaskan | 481 | 0.30% |
| Asian | 2,249 | 1.40% |
| Black | 64,527 | 40.20% |
| Hispanic | 14,552 | 9.07% |
| Pacific Islander | 99 | 0.06% |
| Two or More Races | 4,084 | 2.54% |
| White | 74,533 | 46.43% |
| Total | 160,525 | |

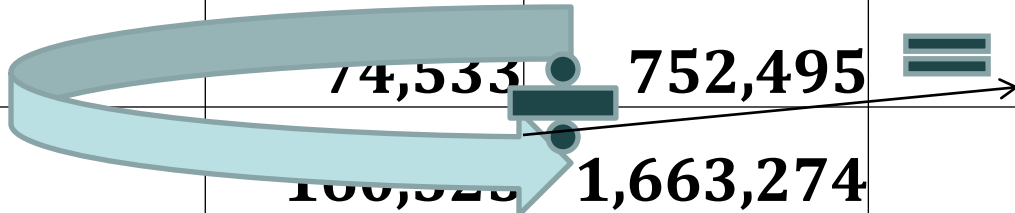


FY10 State Disability Composition

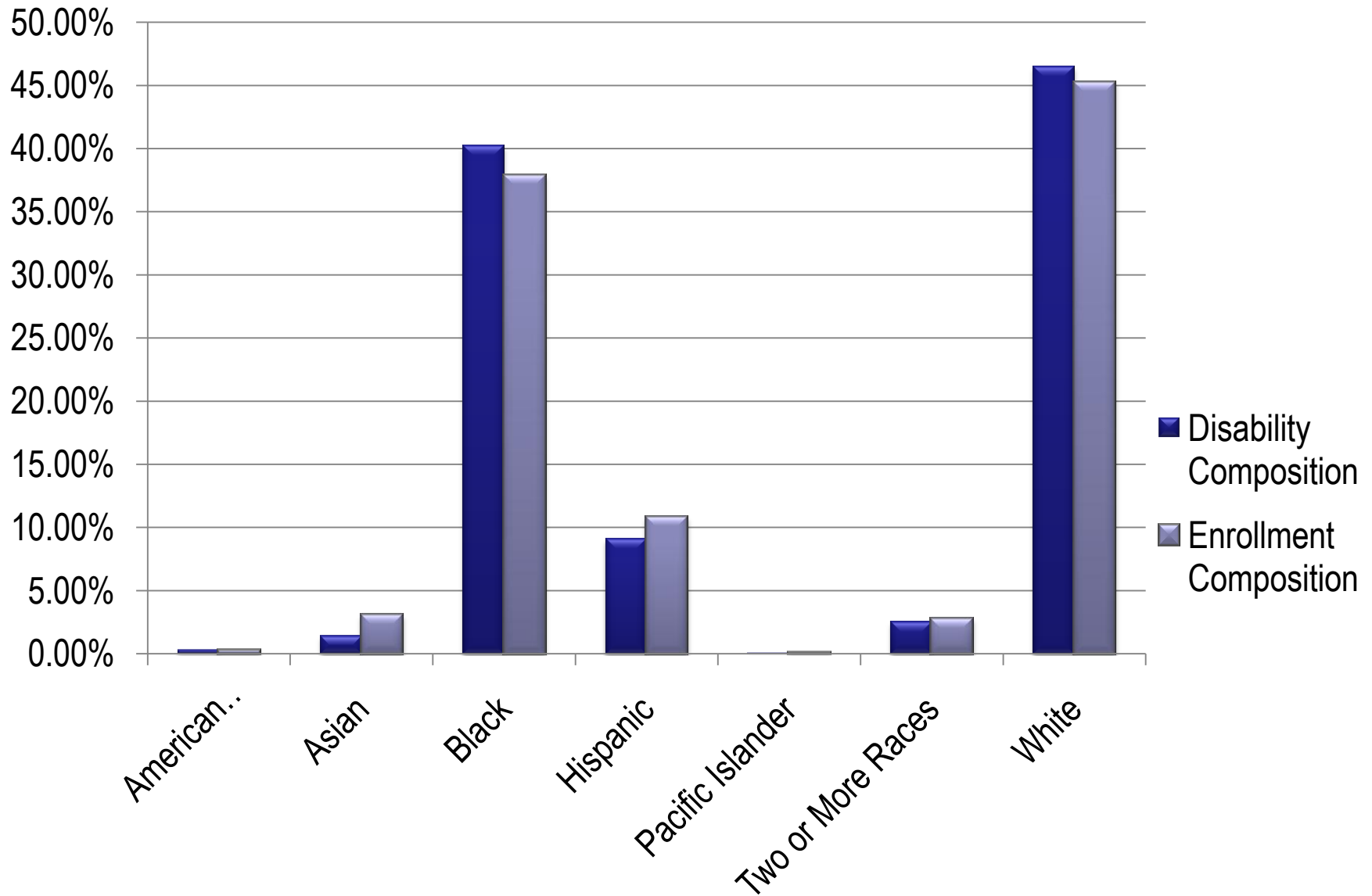


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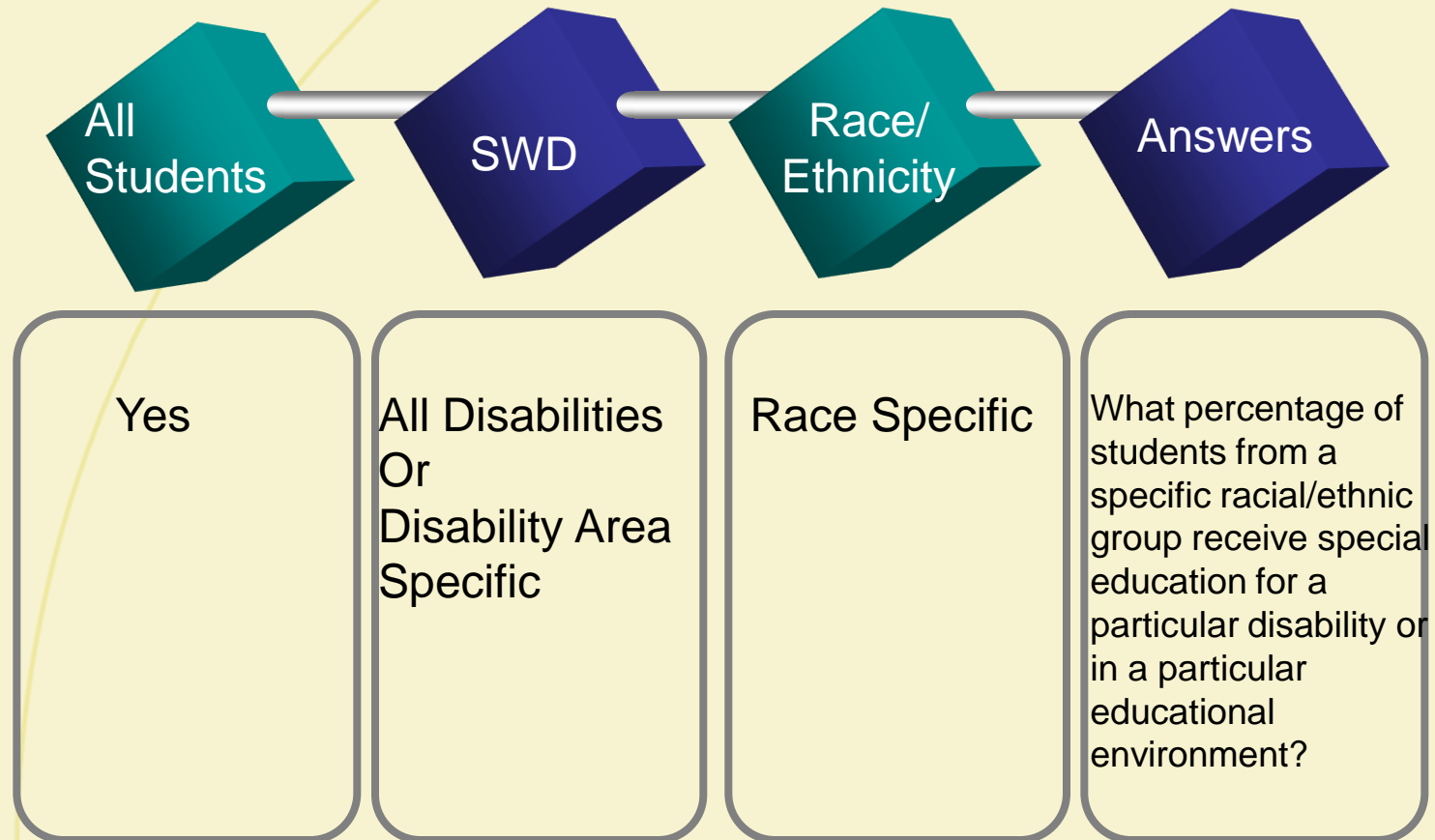
| Race/Ethnicity | Disability Count | Enrollment Count | Enrollment Composition | Disability Composition |
|-------------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| American Indian/Alaskan | 481 | 4,352 | 0.26% | 0.30% |
| Asian | 2,249 | 50,589 | 3.04% | 1.40% |
| Black | 64,527 | 629,584 | 37.85% | 40.20% |
| Hispanic | 14,552 | 179,468 | 10.79% | 9.07% |
| Pacific Islander | 99 | 1,331 | 0.08% | 0.06% |
| Two or More Races | 4,084 | 45,455 | 2.73% | 2.54% |
| White | 74,533 | 752,495 | 45.24% | 46.43% |
| Total | 166,528 | 1,663,274 | | |



FY10 State Disability Composition Compared To Enrollment Composition



Risk



Risk for Special Education

Numerator

Number of students from racial/ethnic group in disability or educational environment category

Denominator

Number of enrolled students from racial/ethnic group

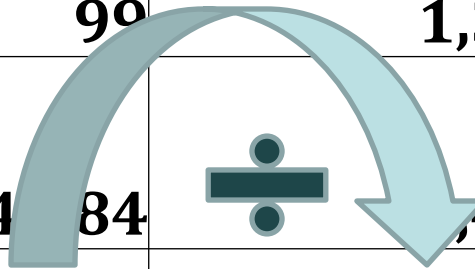
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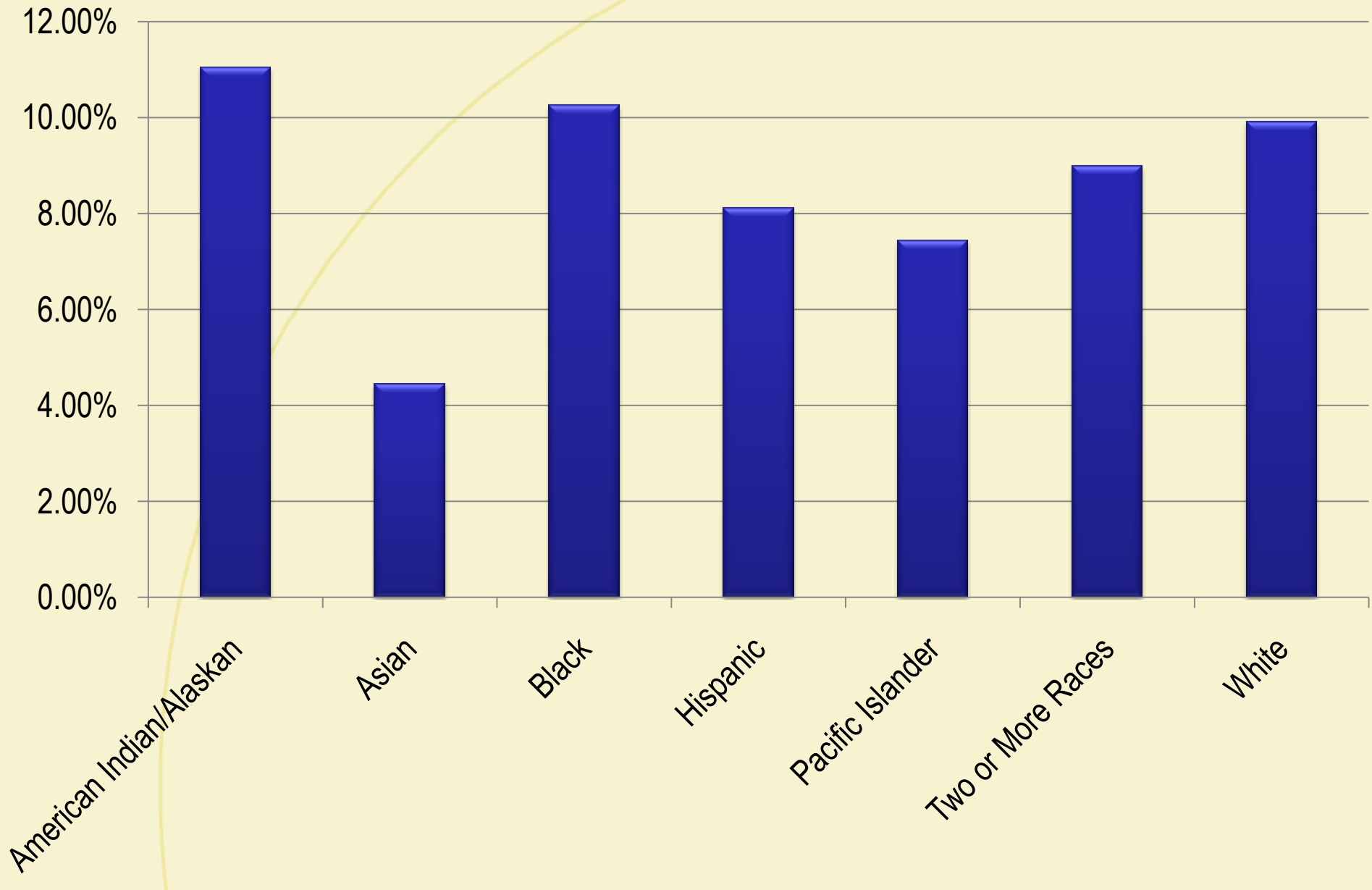
(White students with disabilities/
All White students)

FY10 All Disabilities Risk

| Race/Ethnicity | Disability Count | Enrollment Count | Disability Risk |
|-------------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| American Indian/Alaskan | 481 | 4,352 | 11.05% |
| Asian | 2,249 | 50,589 | 4.45% |
| Black | 64,527 | 629,584 | 10.25% |
| Hispanic | 14,552 | 179,468 | 8.11% |
| Pacific Islander | 99 | 1,331 | 7.44% |
| Two or More Races | 4,884 | 54,455 | 8.98% |
| White | 74,533 | 752,495 | 9.90% |
| Total | 160,525 | 1,663,274 | |



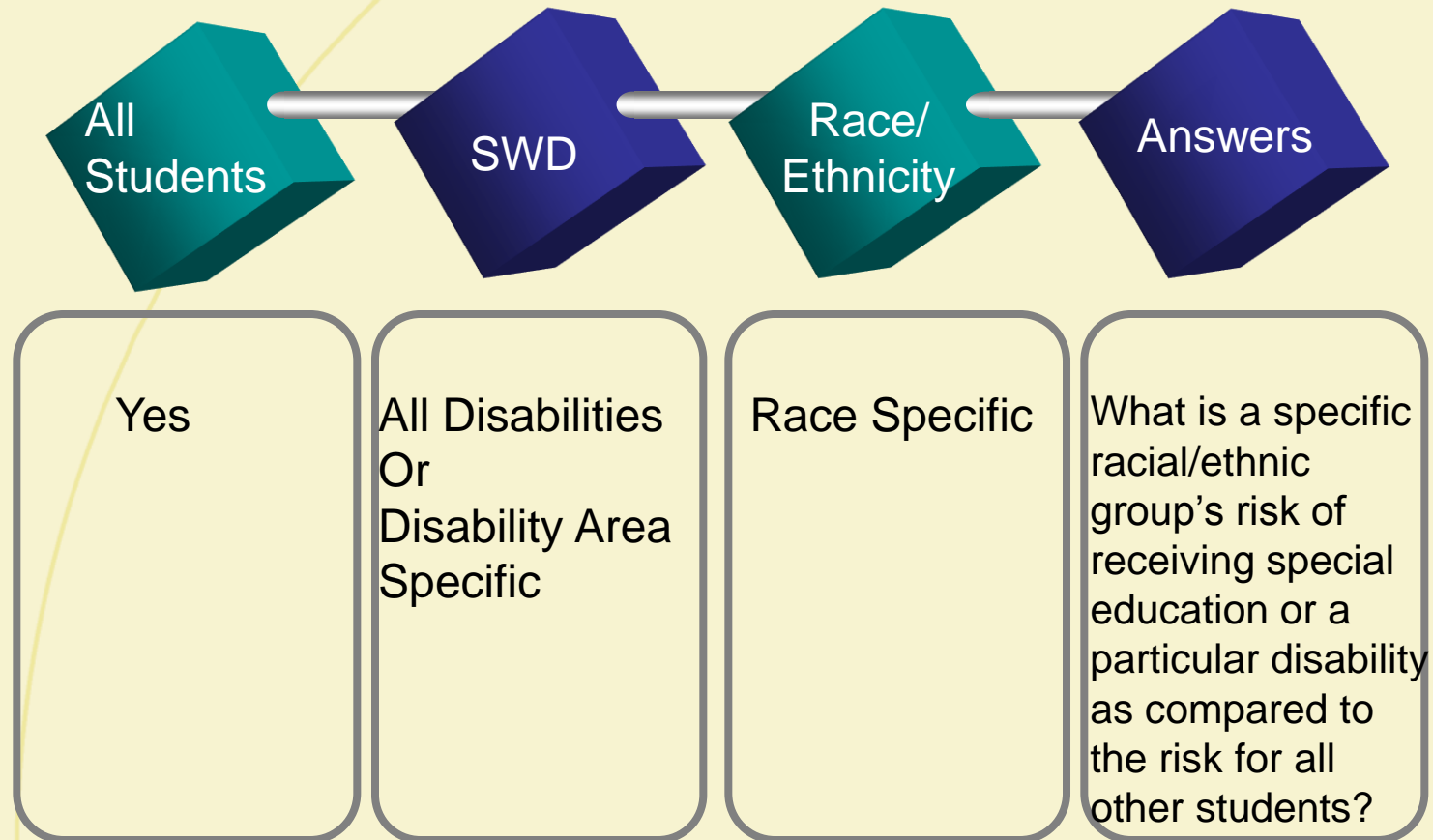
FY10 Disability Risk



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Risk Ratio

(Relative Risk)



Risk Ratio

(Relative Risk)

Denominator

Numerator

Risk Ratio

Risk for racial/ethnic
group for disability
category

Risk for
comparison group
for disability
category

Risk Ratio =

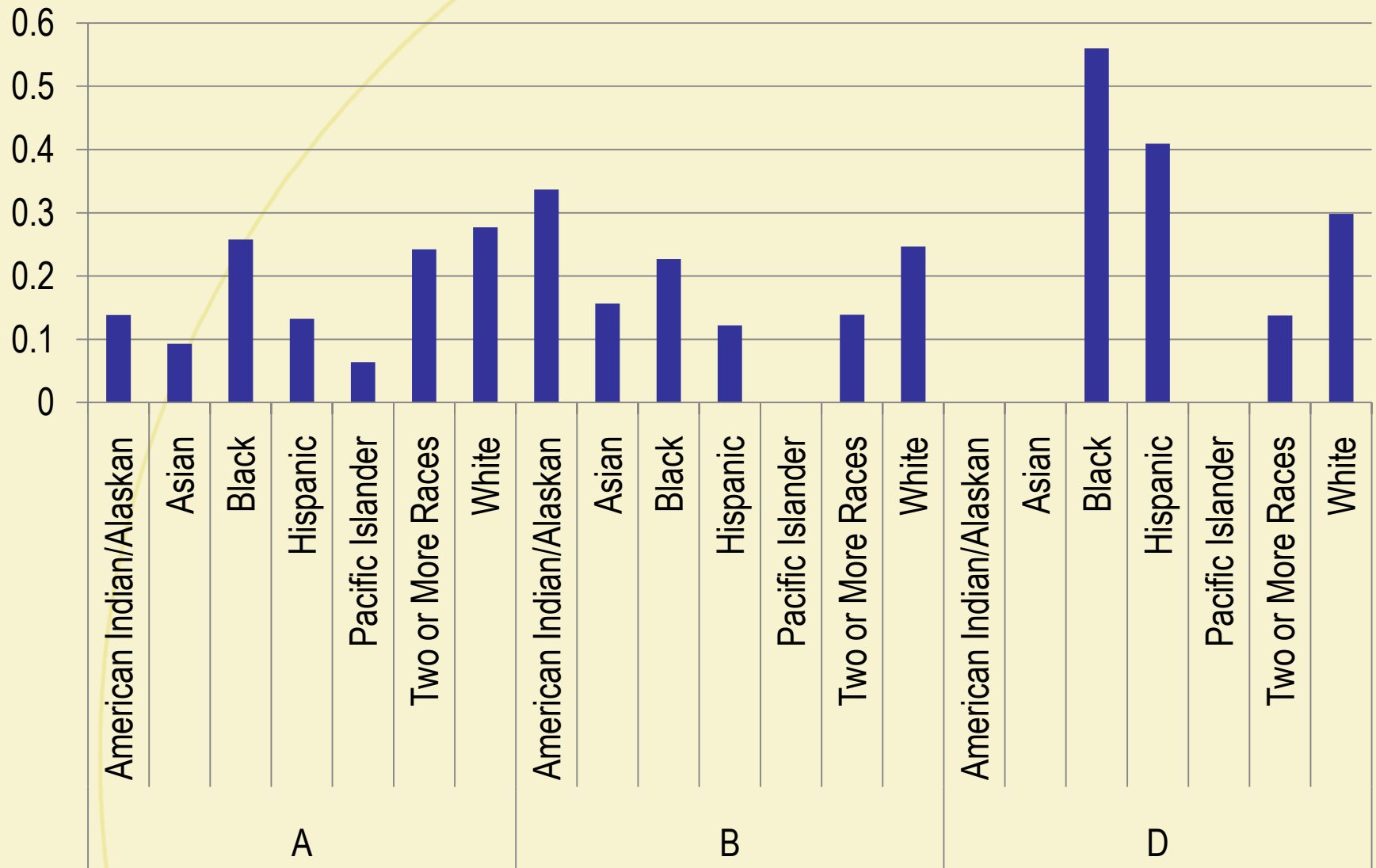
Disability risk
for White
students /
disability risk
for all other
students

| FY 2010 Size Group | District Count | Age 3-21 | Percentage State SWD | Percentage State Districts |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------|---------------------------------|---|
| A >3000 | 11 Districts | 76,487 | 43.20% | 5.91% |
| B 1000-2999 | 29 Districts | 50,278 | 28.39% | 15.59% |
| C 500-999 | 31 Districts | 21,022 | 11.87% | 16.67% |
| D 250-499 | 51 Districts | 19,130 | 10.80% | 27.42% |
| E <250 | 64 Districts | 10,153 | 5.73% | 32.80% |

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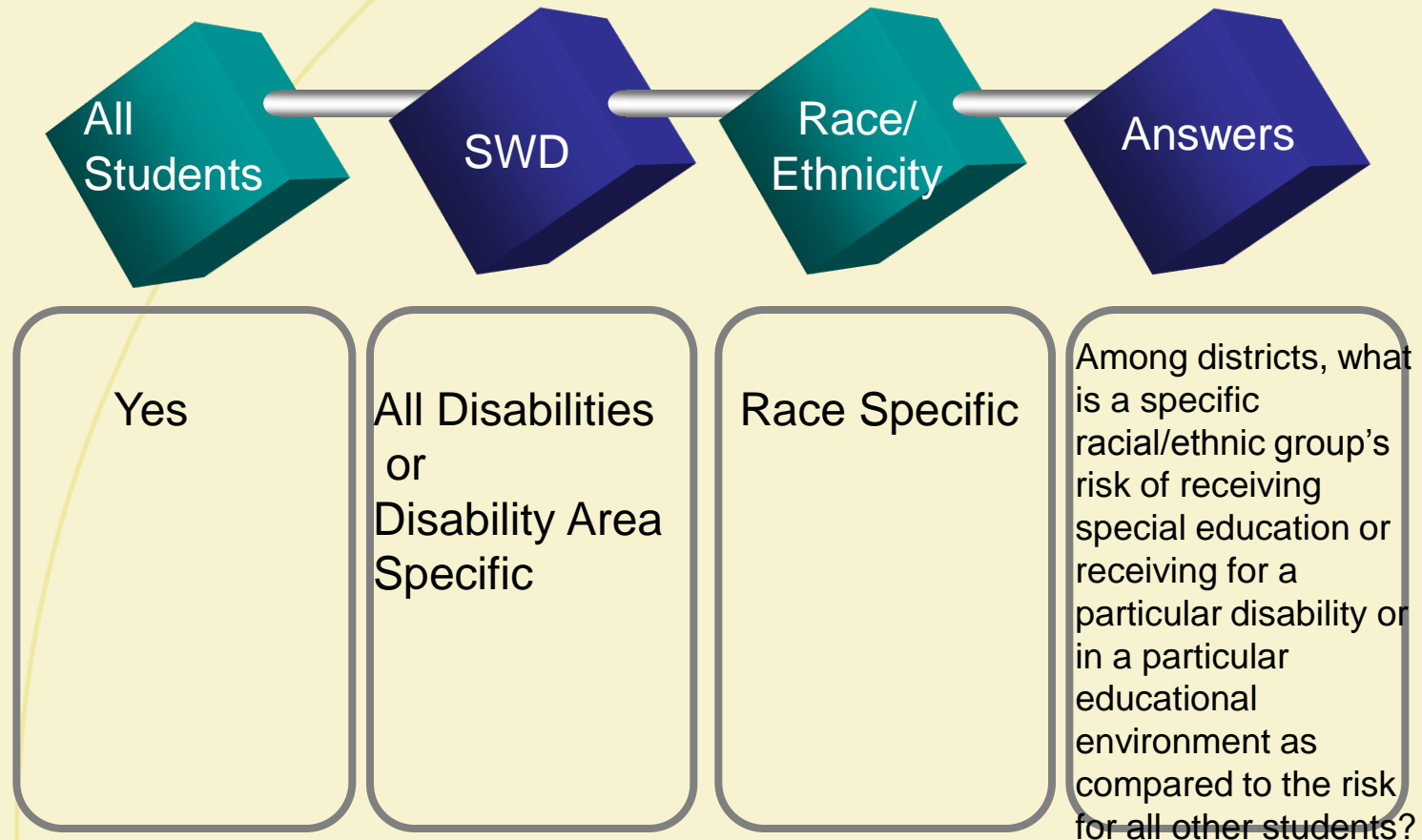
| Size Group | Race/Ethnicity | Disability Count | Enrollment Count | Disabiity Risk | Relative Risk |
|------------|-------------------------|------------------|------------------|----------------|---------------|
| A | American Indian/Alaskan | 4 | 69 | 0.057971 | 0.138177 |
| A | Asian | 28 | 689 | 0.040638 | 0.09302 |
| A | Black | 2143 | 21896 | 0.097871 | 0.257798 |
| A | Hispanic | 86 | 1540 | 0.055844 | 0.132436 |
| A | Pacific Islander | 1 | 35 | 0.028571 | 0.063641 |
| A | Two or More Races | 16 | 172 | 0.093023 | 0.241939 |
| A | White | 948 | 9151 | 0.103595 | 0.277053 |
| B | American Indian/Alaskan | 4 | 27 | 0.148148 | 0.33666 |
| B | Asian | 12 | 151 | 0.07947 | 0.156213 |
| B | Black | 1098 | 10100 | 0.108712 | 0.226725 |
| B | Hispanic | 59 | 924 | 0.063852 | 0.121774 |
| B | Pacific Islander | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| B | Two or More Races | 51 | 712 | 0.071629 | 0.138662 |
| B | White | 904 | 7767 | 0.116389 | 0.246686 |
| D | American Indian/Alaskan | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0 |
| D | Asian | 0 | 25 | 0 | 0 |
| D | Black | 210 | 1982 | 0.105953 | 0.560002 |
| D | Hispanic | 3 | 35 | 0.085714 | 0.409253 |
| D | Pacific Islander | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| D | Two or More Races | 1 | 28 | 0.035714 | 0.137658 |
| D | White | 49 | 723 | 0.067773 | 0.298059 |

Relative Risk Ratio All Disabilities



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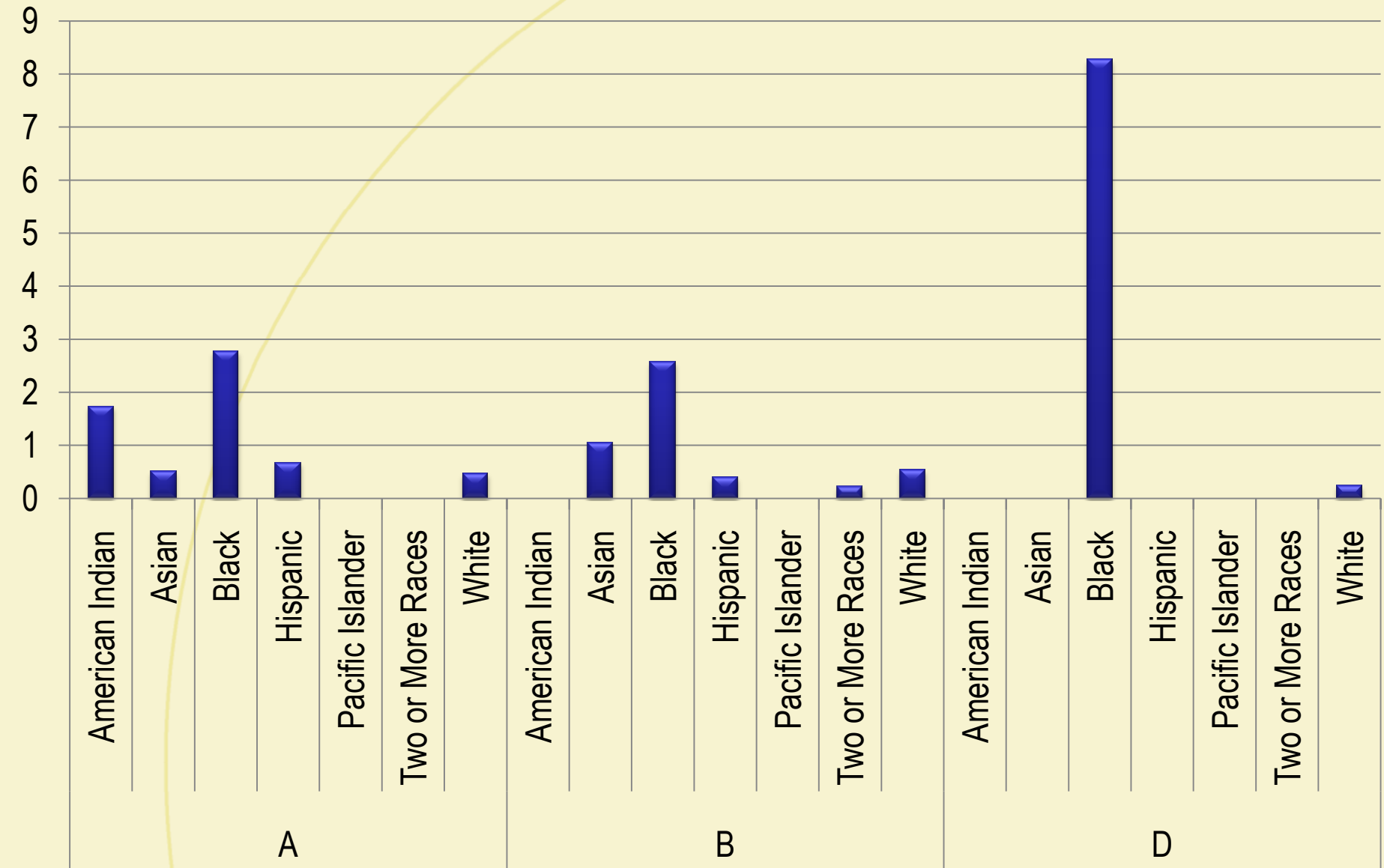
Weighted Risk Ratio



| Size Group | Race/Ethnicity | All Disability Count | Enrollment Count | Disabiity Risk | State Composition | Weighted Risk Ratio |
|------------|-------------------------|----------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| A | American Indian/Alaskan | 4 | 69 | 0.057971 | 0.002616 | 0.616795 |
| A | Asian | 28 | 689 | 0.040638 | 0.030415 | 0.425245 |
| A | Black | 2143 | 21896 | 0.097871 | 0.37852 | 1.069977 |
| A | Hispanic | 86 | 1540 | 0.055844 | 0.1079 | 0.56697 |
| A | Pacific Islander | 1 | 35 | 0.028571 | 0.0008 | 0.304122 |
| A | Two or More Races | 16 | 172 | 0.093023 | 0.027328 | 0.990476 |
| A | White | 948 | 9151 | 0.103595 | 0.452417 | 1.206315 |
| B | American Indian/Alaskan | 4 | 27 | 0.148148 | 0.002616 | 1.4063 |
| B | Asian | 12 | 151 | 0.07947 | 0.030415 | 0.747 |
| B | Black | 1098 | 10100 | 0.108712 | 0.37852 | 1.0506 |
| B | Hispanic | 59 | 924 | 0.063852 | 0.1079 | 0.575 |
| B | Pacific Islander | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0.0008 | 0 |
| B | Two or More Races | 51 | 712 | 0.071629 | 0.027328 | 0.673152 |
| B | White | 904 | 7767 | 0.116389 | 0.452417 | 1.207018 |
| D | American Indian/Alaskan | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0.002616 | 0 |
| D | Asian | 0 | 25 | 0 | 0.030415 | 0 |
| D | Black | 210 | 1982 | 0.105953 | 0.37852 | 1.610487 |
| D | Hispanic | 3 | 35 | 0.085714 | 0.1079 | 1.065818 |
| D | Pacific Islander | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0008 | 0 |
| D | Two or More Races | 1 | 28 | 0.035714 | 0.027328 | 0.434138 |
| D | White | 49 | 723 | 0.067773 | 0.452417 | 0.737353 |

| | | MR | Enrollment | MR | Homogeneous | State | Weighted Risk |
|--------|-------------------|-------|------------|----------|-------------|-------------|---------------|
| System | Race/Ethnicity | Count | Count | Risk | Rate | Composition | Ratio |
| A | Black | 305 | 21896 | 0.013929 | 0.652598 | 0.37852 | 2.77024 |
| A | Hispanic | 9 | 1540 | 0.005844 | 0.045898 | 0.1079 | 0.671259 |
| A | American Indian | 1 | 69 | 0.014492 | 0.002056 | 0.002616 | 1.729154 |
| A | Two or More Races | 0 | 172 | 0 | 0.005126 | 0.027328 | 0 |
| A | Pacific Islander | 0 | 35 | 0 | 0.001043 | 0.0008 | 0 |
| A | Asian | 3 | 689 | 0.004354 | 0.020535 | 0.030415 | 0.510828 |
| A | White | 47 | 9151 | 0.005136 | 0.27274 | 0.452417 | 0.463033 |
| B | Black | 207 | 10100 | 0.020495 | 0.513133 | 0.37852 | 2.564324 |
| B | Hispanic | 5 | 924 | 0.005411 | 0.046944 | 0.1079 | 0.397578 |
| B | American Indian | 0 | 27 | 0 | 0.001371 | 0.002616 | 0 |
| B | Two or More Races | 2 | 712 | 0.002808 | 0.036173 | 0.027328 | 0.215923 |
| B | Pacific Islander | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0.000101 | 0.0008 | 0 |
| B | Asian | 2 | 151 | 0.013245 | 0.007671 | 0.030415 | 1.0422 |
| B | White | 67 | 7767 | 0.008626 | 0.394604 | 0.452417 | 0.535366 |
| D | Black | 33 | 1982 | 0.016649 | 0.70811 | 0.37852 | 8.270983 |
| D | Hispanic | 0 | 35 | 0 | 0.012504 | 0.1079 | 0 |
| D | American Indian | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0.002143 | 0.002616 | 0 |
| D | Two or More Races | 0 | 28 | 0 | 0.010003 | 0.027328 | 0 |
| D | Pacific Islander | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0008 | 0 |
| D | Asian | 0 | 25 | 0 | 0.008931 | 0.030415 | 0 |
| D | White | 2 | 723 | 0.002766 | 0.258306 | 0.452417 | 0.240399 |

Weighted Risk Ratio for Mental Retardation



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| Identification | Second Look | Data Source |
|--|---|---------------------------------------|
| Filter Conditions: | | |
| District Subgroup ≥ 40 | Consistent with state level AYP minimum subgroup | Fall FTE Count |
| SWD Subgroup ≥ 10 | | 618 Child Count Data (Fall FTE Count) |
| District Subgroup Composition $< .75$ for Subgroup | Incidence rate for subgroup compared to state incidence rate for all students | |
| WRR ≥ 4.0 | WRR for prior year was ≥ 5.0 | Formula: Westat Weighted Risk Ratio |

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| fiscal_year | System | Race/Ethnicity | Disability Count | Enrollment Count | Disability Risk | Homogeneous Rate | State Composite | Weighted Risk Ratio |
|-------------|--------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|---------------------|
| 2010 | A | Black | 305 | 21896 | 0.013929 | 0.652598 | 0.37852 | 2.77024 |
| 2010 | A | Hispanic | 9 | 1540 | 0.005844 | 0.045898 | 0.1079 | 0.671259 |
| 2010 | A | American Indian | 1 | 69 | 0.014492 | 0.002056 | 0.002616 | 1.729154 |
| 2010 | A | Two or More Races | 0 | 172 | 0 | 0.005126 | 0.027328 | 0 |
| 2010 | A | Pacific Islander | 0 | 35 | 0 | 0.001043 | | |
| 2010 | A | Asian | 3 | 689 | 0.004354 | 0.020535 | | |
| 2010 | A | White | 47 | 9151 | 0.005136 | 0.27274 | | |
| 2010 | B | Black | 207 | 10100 | 0.020495 | 0.513133 | | |
| 2010 | B | Hispanic | 5 | 924 | 0.005411 | 0.046944 | | |
| 2010 | B | American Indian | 0 | 27 | 0 | 0.001371 | | |
| 2010 | B | Two or More Races | 2 | 712 | 0.002808 | 0.036173 | | |
| 2010 | B | Pacific Islander | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0.000101 | | |
| 2010 | B | Asian | 2 | 151 | 0.013245 | 0.007671 | | |
| 2010 | B | White | 67 | 7767 | 0.008626 | 0.394604 | | |
| 2010 | D | Black | 33 | 1982 | 0.016649 | 0.70811 | | |
| 2010 | D | Hispanic | 0 | 35 | 0 | 0.012504 | | |
| 2010 | D | American Indian | 0 | 6 | 0 | 0.002143 | 0.002616 | 0 |
| 2010 | D | Two or More Races | 0 | 28 | 0 | 0.010003 | 0.027328 | 0 |
| 2010 | D | Pacific Islander | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0008 | 0 |
| 2010 | D | Asian | 0 | 25 | 0 | 0.008931 | 0.030415 | 0 |
| 2010 | D | White | 2 | 723 | 0.002766 | 0.258306 | 0.452417 | 0.240399 |

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| System ID | Race/Ethnicity | Disability Count | Enrollment Count | Disability Risk | Homogeneous Rate | State Composition | Weighted Risk Ratio |
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| B | Two or More Races | 2 | 712 | 0.002808 | 0.036173 | 0.027328 | 0.215923 |
| B | Asian | 2 | 151 | 0.013245 | 0.007671 | 0.030415 | 1.0422 |
| B | White | 67 | 7767 | 0.008626 | 0.394604 | 0.452417 | 0.535366 |
| D | Black | 33 | 1982 | 0.016649 | 0.70811 | 0.37852 | 8.270983 |
| D | White | 2 | 723 | 0.002766 | 0.258306 | 0.452417 | 0.240399 |

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|-------------|--------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|---------------------|
| 2010 | A | Black | 305 | | | | | 2.77024 |
| 2010 | A | Hispanic | 9 | | | | | 0.671259 |
| 2010 | A | American Indian | 1 | | | | | 1.729154 |
| 2010 | A | Two or More Races | 0 | | | | | 0 |
| 2010 | A | Asian | 3 | | | | | 0.510828 |
| 2010 | A | White | 47 | | | | | 0.463033 |
| 2010 | B | Black | 207 | | | | | 2.564324 |
| 2010 | B | Hispanic | 5 | | | | | 0.397578 |
| 2010 | B | Two or More Races | 2 | | | | | 0.215923 |
| 2010 | B | Asian | 2 | | | | | 1.0422 |
| 2010 | B | White | 67 | | | | | 0.535366 |
| 2010 | D | Black | 33 | | | | | 8.270983 |
| 2010 | D | White | 2 | 723 | 0.002766 | 0.258306 | 0.452417 | 0.240399 |

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Disability Count

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| fiscal_year | System | Race/Ethnicity | Disability Count | Enrollment Count | Disability Risk | Homogeneous Rate | State Composite | Weighted Risk Ratio |
|-------------|--------|----------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------------|---------------------|
| 2010 | A | Black | 305 | 21896 | 0.013929 | 0.652598 | 0.37852 | 2.77024 |
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| 2010 | D | Black | 33 | 1982 | 0.016649 | 0.70811 | 0.37852 | 8.270983 |

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Alternate Risk Ratios: Calculating Risk Ratios with Small Numbers of Students

Risk ratios are difficult to interpret when they are based on small numbers of students (either in the racial/ethnic group or the comparison group). When risk ratios are based on small numbers, minor variations in the number of students in either the racial/ethnic group or the comparison group can produce dramatic changes in the size of the risk ratio. Furthermore, it is impossible to calculate risk ratios if there are no students in the comparison group or if none of the students in the comparison group receives special education and related services either for the disability or in the educational environment.

Alternate Risk Ratios: Calculating Risk Ratios with Small Numbers of Students

For these reasons, we suggest the following when calculating risk ratios at the district level:

- Do not calculate a risk ratio if there are fewer than 10 students in the racial/ethnic group of interest enrolled in the district (when examining child count data) or in the total district child count (when examining educational environment data).
- Calculate an *alternate risk ratio* (see equation below) if there are at least 10 students in the racial/ethnic group, but there are fewer than 10 students in the comparison group enrolled in the district (when examining child count data) or in the total district child count (when examining educational environment data), or if there are no students in the comparison group receiving special education and related services for the disability or in the educational environment (the risk for the comparison group is zero).

Alternate Risk Ratios: Calculating Risk Ratios with Small Numbers of Students

- When calculating the alternate risk ratio, use the *district-level* risk for the racial/ethnic group in the numerator and the *state-level* risk for the comparison group in the denominator.

The equation for the alternate risk ratio is:

Alternate risk ratio = District-level risk for racial/ethnic group for disability or educational environment category / State-level risk for comparison group for disability or educational environment category

SD for Educational Placement

- Among districts, what is a specific racial/ethnic student with disabilities group's risk of receiving special education in a particular educational environment as compared to the risk for all other students with disabilities?
 - Federal student with disabilities child count
 - Ages 6 – 21
 - Does not include 618 facilities

Federally Reported Categories

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- ✓ **White**

Educational Placements

Students Age 6 - 21

- Inside the regular class less than 79% to and no less 40% of the day
- Inside the regular class less than 40% of the day
- In separate schools or residential facilities

SD for Educational Placement

- Setting is based on “less than 40% in the general ed setting” and/or “other separate placements”
 - Other separate settings includes:
 - Environment 4 Public Separate Facilities - Special education and related services for greater than 50% of the school week in public separate day-school facilities (e.g., the Atlanta Area School for the Deaf).
 - Environment 5 Private Separate Facilities - Special education and related services in *private* separate day school facilities at public expense for greater than 50 % of the school week
 - Environment 6 Public Residential Facilities - - Special education and related services in public residential facilities for greater than 50% of the school week. This includes residential State Schools and Department of Human Resources (DHR) operated facilities.
 - Environment 7 Private Residential Facilities - Special education and related services in private residential facilities at public expense for greater than 50 % of the school week.
 - Environment 9 Hospital/Homebound – Give an *unduplicated* total of children who received special education and related services in a homebound/hospital environment. These data are intended to be a count of all children receiving special education in: Hospital programs; or Homebound programs.
 - Does not include Correctional (Environment 8) or Parentally Placed in Private School (Environment 0).

SD for Educational Placement

- Other variables
 - District SWD subgroup size is ≥ 20
 - Each environment subgroup is ≥ 10
 - The subgroup composition (district level) $\leq .75$

Environment Other Separate Placements

| Environment | Race/Ethnicity | Envir Race/ Ethni cy Count | SWD Race/Et hnicity Count | District Risk | Homog eneous _Rate | State Composition | Weighted Risk |
|-------------------|----------------|--|------------------------------------|------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|------------------|
| Other Settings | White | 11 | 49 | 0.224 | 0.26 | 0.464474 | 4.487662 |



Disproportionality: Underrepresentation

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What is *Disproportionality*?

Percent (%) of students of a specific ethnicity or race

Underrepresentation



In special education



In school's population

Underrepresentation

- Georgia uses the *inverse* of its weighted risk ratio (WRR) for overrepresentation to determine its threshold for underrepresentation.

| All Disabilities Identification | Second Look | Data Source | State Level Disability Risk by Subgroup | |
|--|--|--|---|----------|
| Filter Conditions: | | | American Indian | 12.06342 |
| Total District Subgroup Count >40 | Consistent with state level AYP minimum subgroup | Fall FTE Count | Asian | 1.622882 |
| WRR < .25 | WRR for prior year was \leq .20 | | Black | 11.11146 |
| Incidence Rate Calculated by Subgroup | | Incidence Rate = District SWD Subgroup Count/District Total Subgroup | Hispanic | 9.115274 |
| Projected Incidence Rate Calculated by Subgroup | | Projected Incidence Rate = District Total Subgroup Count*State Total Disability Risk | Pacific Islander | 8.564989 |
| N Size difference between projected and actual \leq -10 = Under Representation | | 618 Child Count Data | Two or More Races | 10.1177 |
| | | | White | 11.02041 |
| | | | Total | 10.64587 |

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| Categorical Identification | Second Look | Data Source | State Level Disability Risk by Disability Category | |
|--|--|--|--|----------|
| Filter Conditions: | | | Mental retardation | 1.148879 |
| Total District Subgroup Count >40 | Consistent with state level AYP minimum subgroup | Fall FTE Count | Hearing impairment | 0.111527 |
| WRR < .25 | WRR for prior year was ≤.20 | | Speech or language impairment | 1.903234 |
| Incidence Rate Calculated by Disability | | Incidence Rate = Disability Race Subgroup Count/District Total Race Subgroup | Visual impairment | 0.045994 |
| Projected Incidence Rate Calculated by Disability Subgroup | | Projected Incidence Rate = District Total Subgroup Count*State Categorical Disability Risk | Emotional disturbance | 1.03675 |
| N Size difference between projected and actual ≤-10 = Under Representation | | 618 Child Count Data | Orthopedic impairment | 0.059702 |
| | | | Other health impairment | 1.533782 |
| | | | Specific learning disorder | 3.125883 |
| | | | Deaf-blindness | 0.001804 |
| | | | Autism | 0.621485 |
| | | | Traumatic brain injury | 0.027235 |
| We will lead the nation in improving student achievement | | | Developmental delay | 1.029596 |
| | | | State Level Totals - 12/01/09 | 10.64587 |

| Disability | Race/ Ethnicity | SWD Count | Enrollment Count | State Composition | WRR | State Incidence Rate for OHI | Projected (District * Incidence) | Projected - Actual |
|------------|--------------------|--------------|---------------------|----------------------|----------|---------------------------------------|--|-----------------------|
| OHI | W | 4 | 1073 | 0.452417 | 0 | 1.533782 | 16 | -12 |
| OHI | H | 5 | 1540 | 0.1079 | 0.18771 | 1.533782 | 24 | -19 |
| OHI | H | 3 | 2352 | 0.1079 | 0.071115 | 1.533782 | 36 | -33 |
| OHI | H | 21 | 7742 | 0.1079 | 0.19697 | 1.533782 | 119 | -98 |
| OHI | H | 2 | 1009 | 0.1079 | 0.191424 | 1.533782 | 15 | -13 |
| OHI | H | 5 | 1366 | 0.1079 | 0.207104 | 1.533782 | 21 | -16 |
| OHI | H | 3 | 1090 | 0.1079 | 0.12049 | 1.533782 | 17 | -14 |
| OHI | H | 0 | 1615 | 0.1079 | 0 | 1.533782 | 25 | -25 |
| OHI | H | 0 | 1142 | 0.1079 | 0 | 1.533782 | 18 | -18 |
| OHI | H | 21 | 4761 | 0.1079 | 0.178445 | 1.533782 | 73 | -52 |
| OHI | H | 5 | 2224 | 0.1079 | 0.132317 | 1.533782 | 34 | -29 |

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Disproportionality: Discipline

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Purpose of Guidance

The Office of Special Education Programs issues this guidance to provide States with information regarding the use of funds provided under Part B of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act by local educational agencies (LEAs) to develop and implement coordinated early intervening services (CEIS) for students who are currently not identified as needing special education.

This CEIS guidance represents the Department's current thinking on this topic. It does not create or confer any rights for or on any person. This guidance does not impose any requirements beyond those included under applicable laws and regulations.

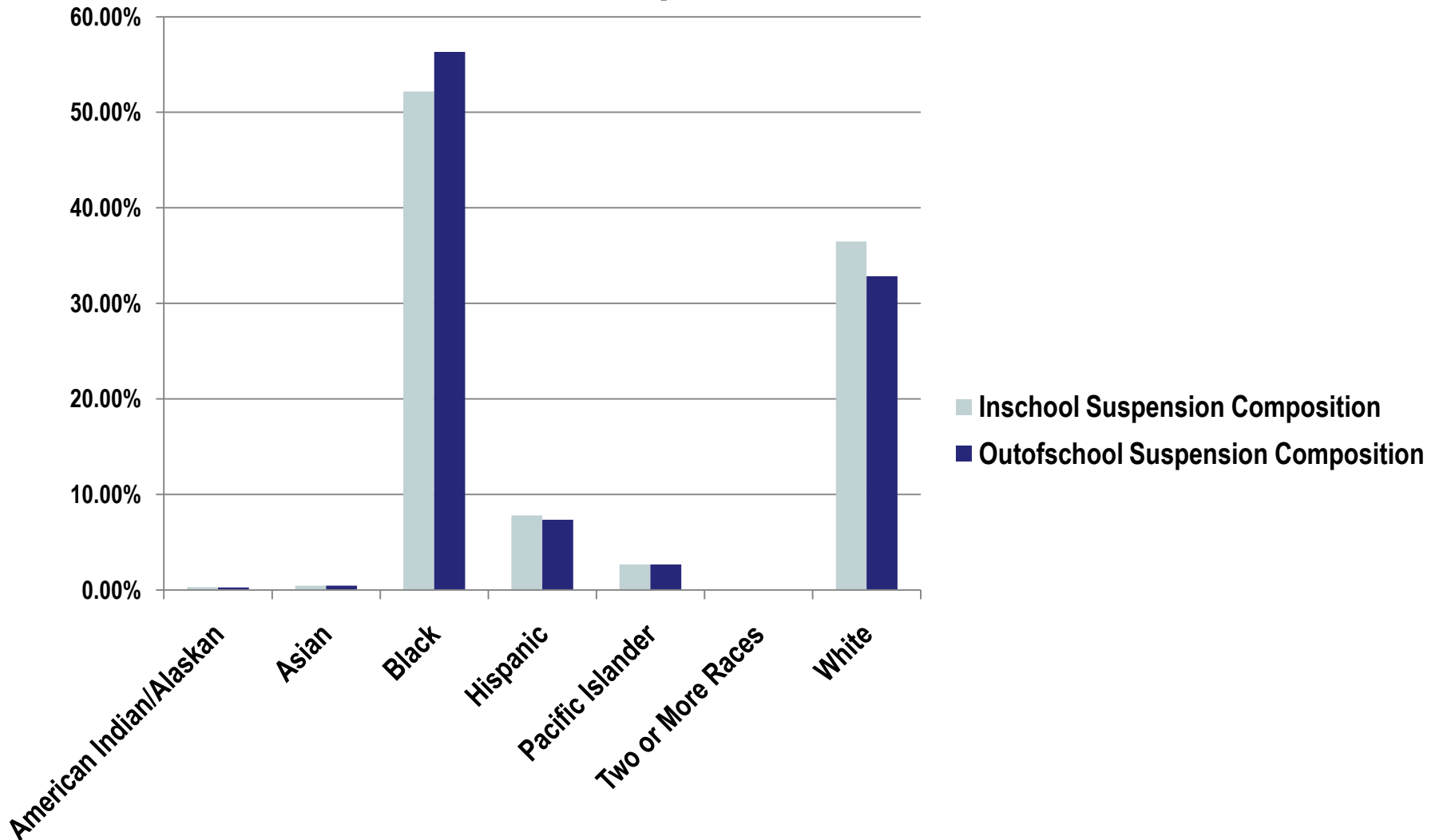
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15. *What must States consider in the collection and examination of disciplinary data in 34 CFR §300.646?*

The regulations in 34 CFR §300.646(a)(3) require States to annually collect and examine data to determine if significant disproportionality based on race or ethnicity is occurring with respect to the incidence, duration, and type of disciplinary action, including suspensions and expulsions. We interpret the term “incidence” to refer to the number of times children with disabilities ages 3 through 21 were subject to disciplinary actions. We interpret the term “duration” to refer to the length of suspensions or expulsions. The type of disciplinary action refers to, at a minimum, data on both in-school and out-of-school suspensions and expulsions, but could also include other disciplinary actions (e.g., exclusion from extracurricular activities). In order to determine if significant disproportionality exists for discipline, a State must consider all three areas (incidence, duration, and disciplinary actions) when examining its data.

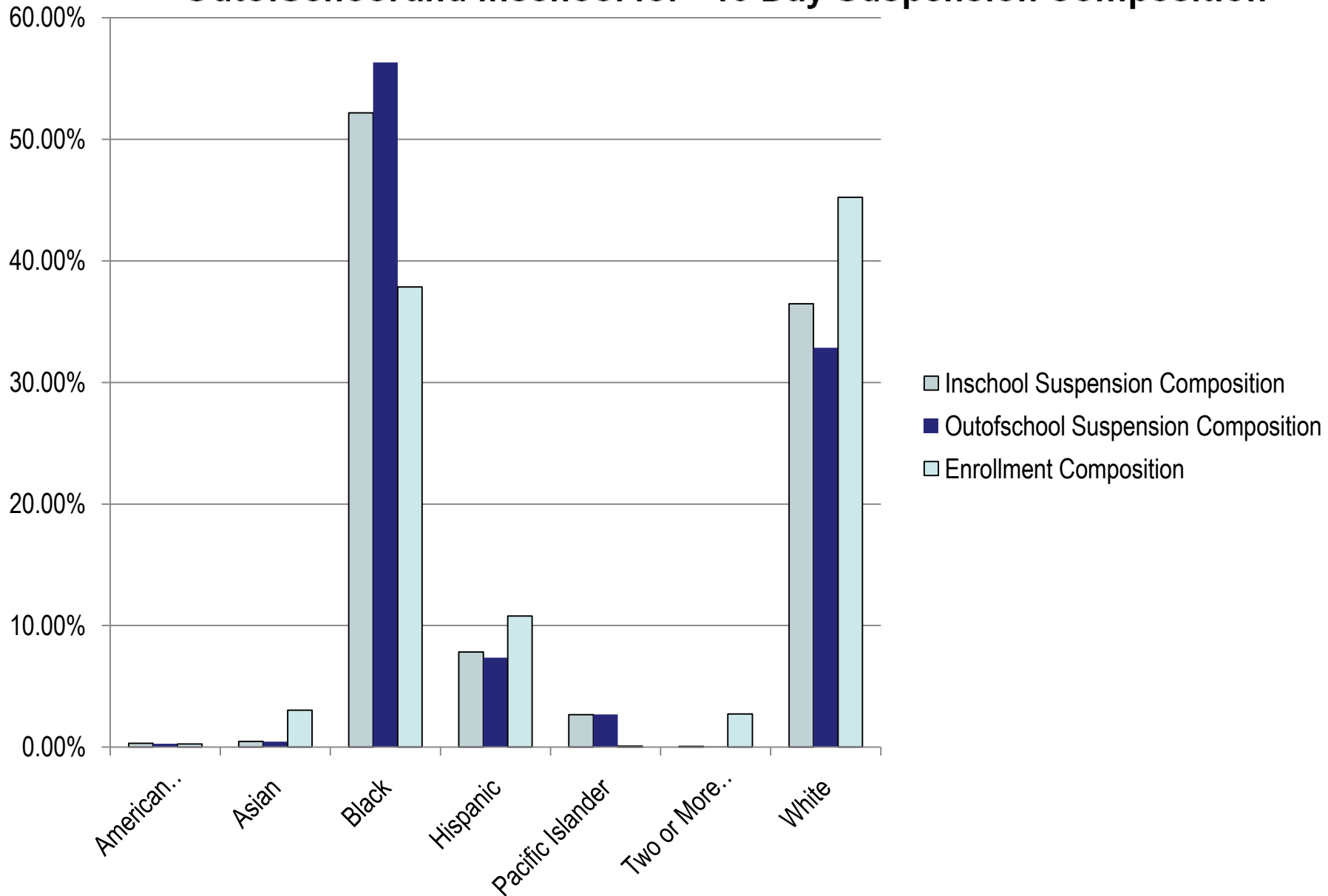
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Calculation for Discipline Risk (Disproportionality) for SWD Race/Ethnicity:

State Level Relative Discipline Risk for SWD Race/Ethnicity

$$\frac{((\text{State \# of SWD in focus subgroup with greater than 10 days ISS and/or OSS}) \text{ Divided by } (\text{State \# of SWD in focus subgroup age 3-21}))}{((\text{State \# of SWD in all other subgroup with greater than 10 days ISS and/or OSS}) \text{ Divided by } (\text{State \# of SWD in all other subgroups age 3-21}))}$$

Divided by

$$\frac{((\text{State \# of SWD in all other subgroup with greater than 10 days ISS and/or OSS}) \text{ Divided by } (\text{State \# of SWD in all other subgroups age 3-21}))}{((\text{State \# of SWD in focus subgroup with greater than 10 days ISS and/or OSS}) \text{ Divided by } (\text{State \# of SWD in focus subgroup age 3-21}))}$$

District Level Relative Discipline Risk for SWD Race/Ethnicity

$$\frac{((\text{District \# of SWD in focus subgroup with greater than 10 days ISS and/or OSS}) \text{ Divided by } (\text{District \# of SWD in focus subgroup}))}{((\text{District \# of SWD in all other subgroups with greater than 10 days ISS and/or OSS}) \text{ Divided by } (\text{District SWD in all other subgroups Age 3/21}))}$$

Divided by

$$\frac{((\text{District \# of SWD in all other subgroups with greater than 10 days ISS and/or OSS}) \text{ Divided by } (\text{District SWD in all other subgroups Age 3/21}))}{((\text{District \# of SWD in focus subgroup with greater than 10 days ISS and/or OSS}) \text{ Divided by } (\text{District \# of SWD in focus subgroup}))}$$

Relative Risk

(Risk Ratio)

Numerator

Exclusion Risk for
focus racial/ethnic SWD
subgroup

Denominator

Exclusion Risk for
comparison group
(All other
racial/ethnic SWD
subgroups)

Risk Ratio

Risk Ratio =
Exclusion risk
for focus group/
exclusion risk
for all other
SWD

Compares the rate of
exclusions for one subgroup
in your district to the rate of
exclusions for all other
subgroups in your district.

FY10 State Level Relative Risk for SWD Subgroups

| Student Count – Inschool and Outofschool Suspensions Totaling >10 Days | | | | | |
|--|------------------------|-------|----------|-------------------|-------|
| American Indian/Alaskan | Asian/Pacific Islander | Black | Hispanic | Two or More Races | White |
| 17 | 11 | 2986 | 257 | 137 | 1343 |

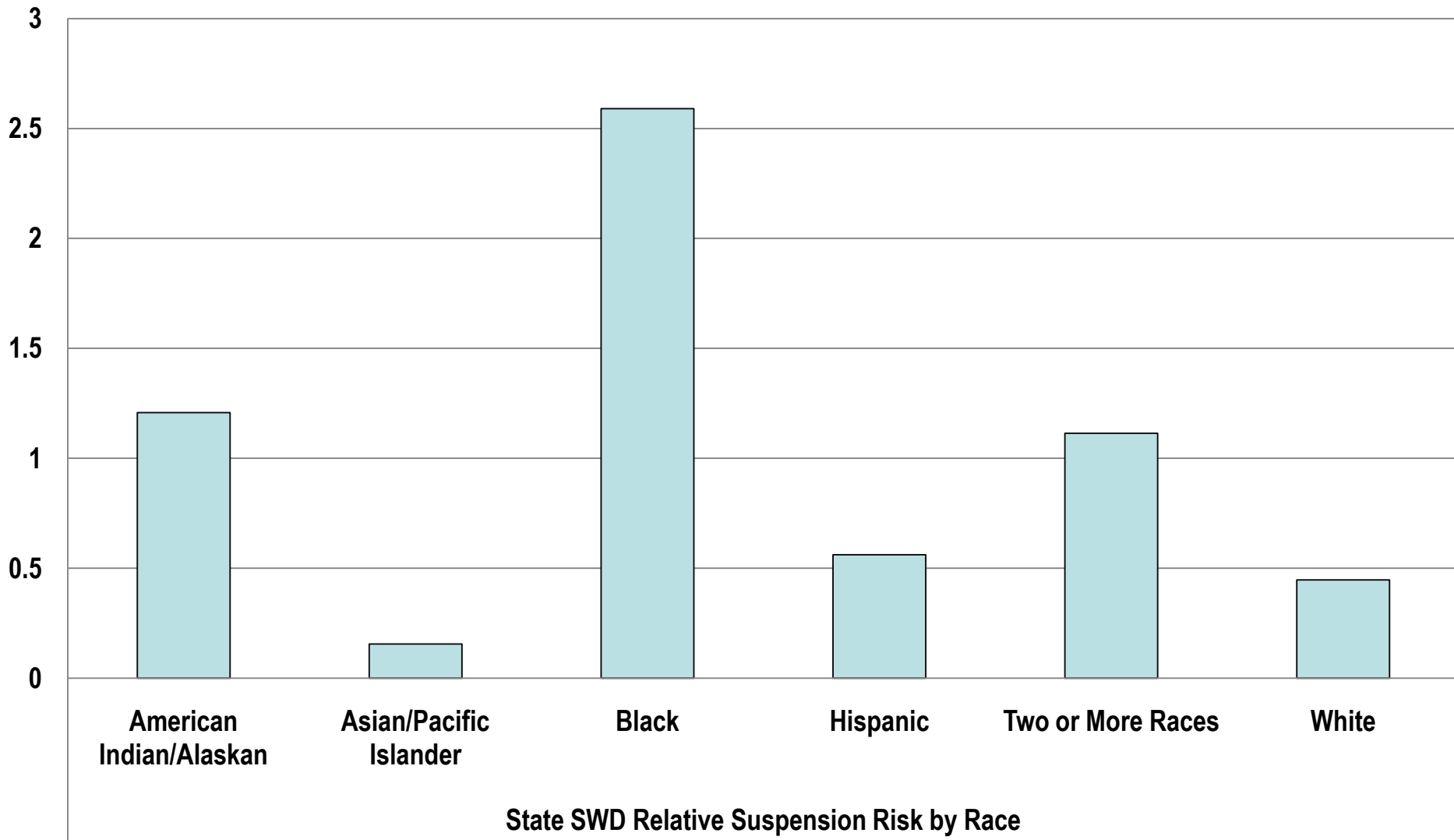
FY10 State Level Relative Risk for SWD Subgroups

| Students with Disabilities Age 3-21 | | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------|-------|----------|-------------------|-------|
| American Indian/Alaskan | Asian/Pacific Islander | Black | Hispanic | Two or More Races | White |
| 525 | 2604 | 69956 | 16359 | 4599 | 82928 |

FY10 State Level Relative Risk for SWD Subgroups

| State SWD Relative Suspension Risk by Race | | | | | |
|--|------------------------|----------|----------|-------------------|----------|
| American Indian/Alaskan | Asian/Pacific Islander | Black | Hispanic | Two or More Races | White |
| 1.207582433 | 0.15548345 | 2.590397 | 0.561809 | 1.113514 | 0.447362 |

FY10 State Level Suspension Risk



The numbers for SD: Exclusion

- Data comes from student record, discipline for both ISS and OSS
 - Regardless of whether services continued
- The timing of the data collection delays when the funds can be reserved
- Data collected in FY09 student record (June 2009) is actually available to the state for review in FY10 (November 09) and therefore, funds cannot be reserved until FY11.