Sheffield Communities

African Community

Introduction

This report explores the rich ethnic diversity of the city, highlighting not just the unique cultures and backgrounds that make up Sheffield but also the real challenges faced by its residents.

Through data on education, employment, health, household deprivation, and more, this report aims to presents aspects of the life of different communities in our city.

How to use

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More Information

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Overview - African Community

Where does the African Community live?

18,243

African residents in Sheffield

3.3%

Proportion of residents who are African

6,260

African households in Sheffield

2.96

Average African household size in Sheffield

Population Density

— High

— Medium

— Low
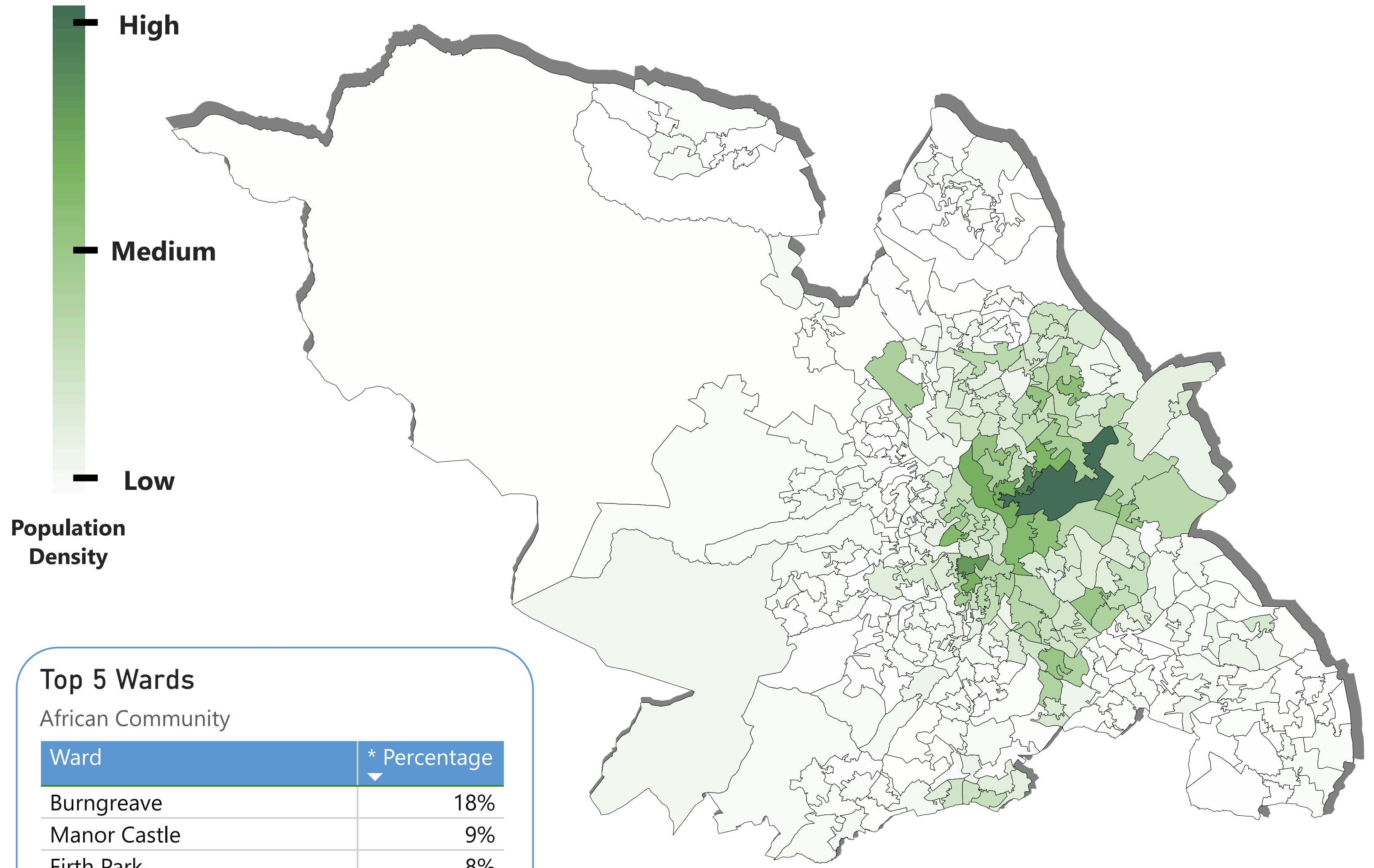
Top 5 Wards

African Community

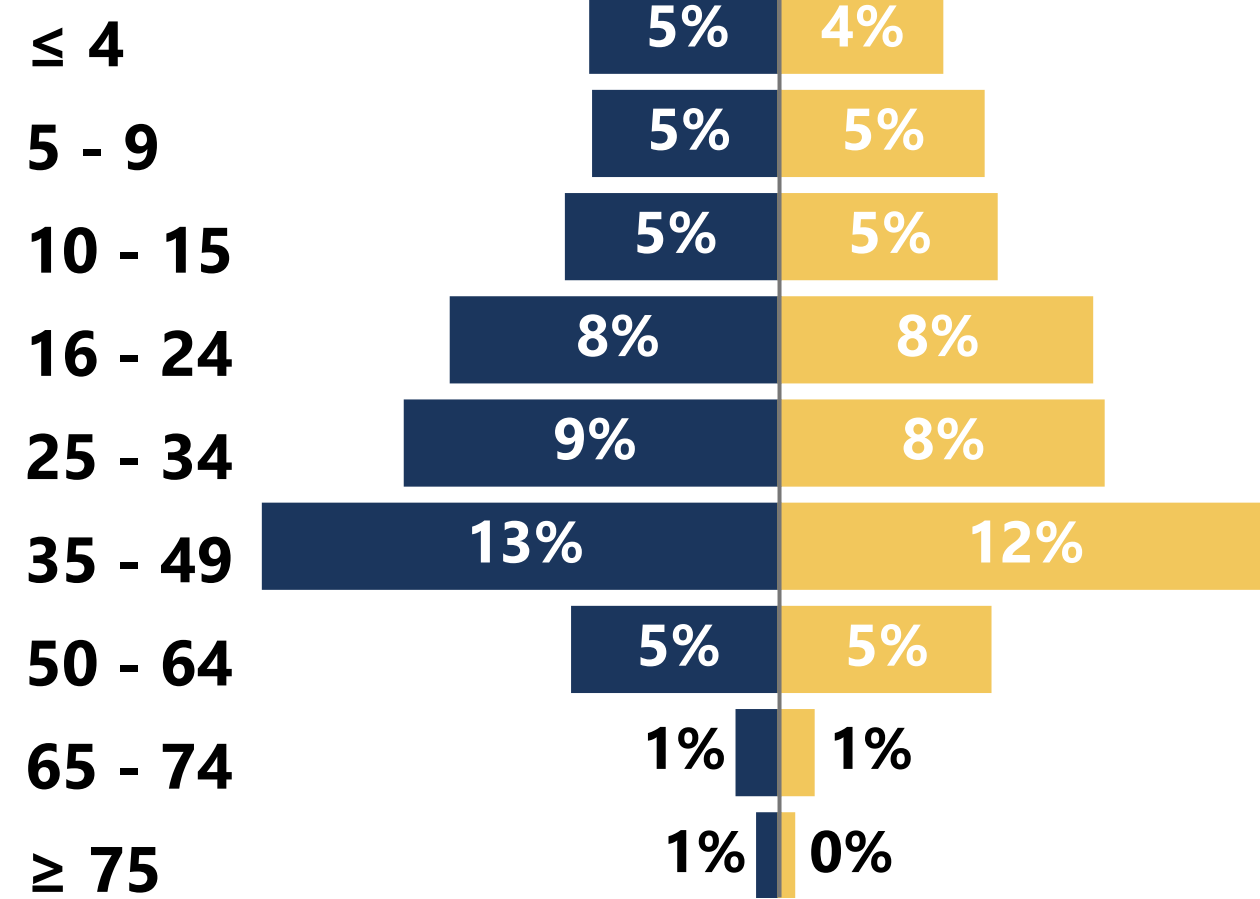| Ward	* Percentage
Burngreave	18%
Manor Castle	9%
Firth Park	8%
Darnall	7%
City	6%

*Percentage of Community Population

Demographics - African Community
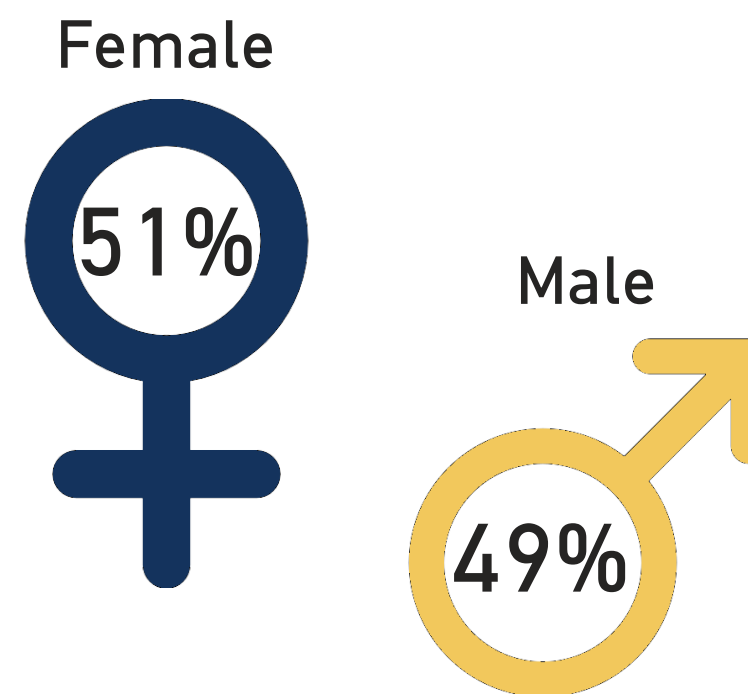
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Age

Age	Female	Male
≤ 4	5%	4%
5 - 9	5%	5%
10 - 15	5%	5%
16 - 24	8%	8%
25 - 34	9%	8%
35 - 49	13%	12%
50 - 64	5%	5%
65 - 74	1%	1%
≥ 75	1%	0%

- Female
- Male

Population Split

Female 51%

Male 49%

Dependent Children

- Household with dependent children
- No dependent children in household

49%

51%

Household Type

Cohabiting couple household	Lone parent household	Married or civil partnership couple household	Multi-person household	One-person household
5.9%	27.2%	33.8%	6.8%	26.2%

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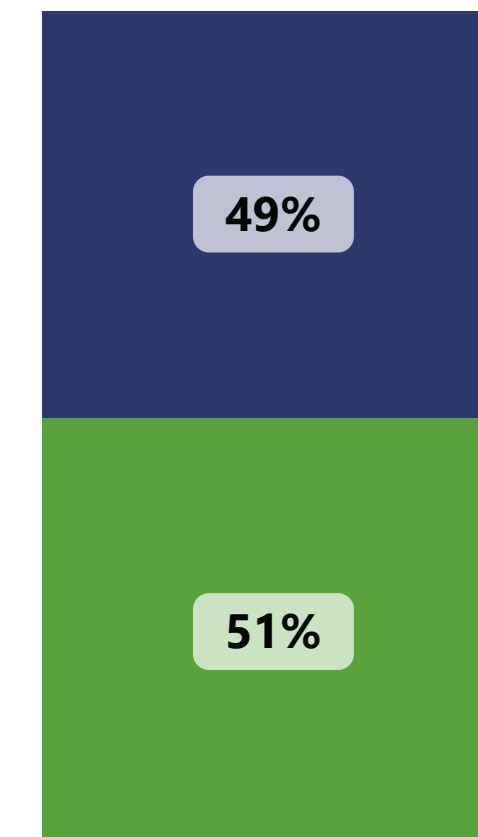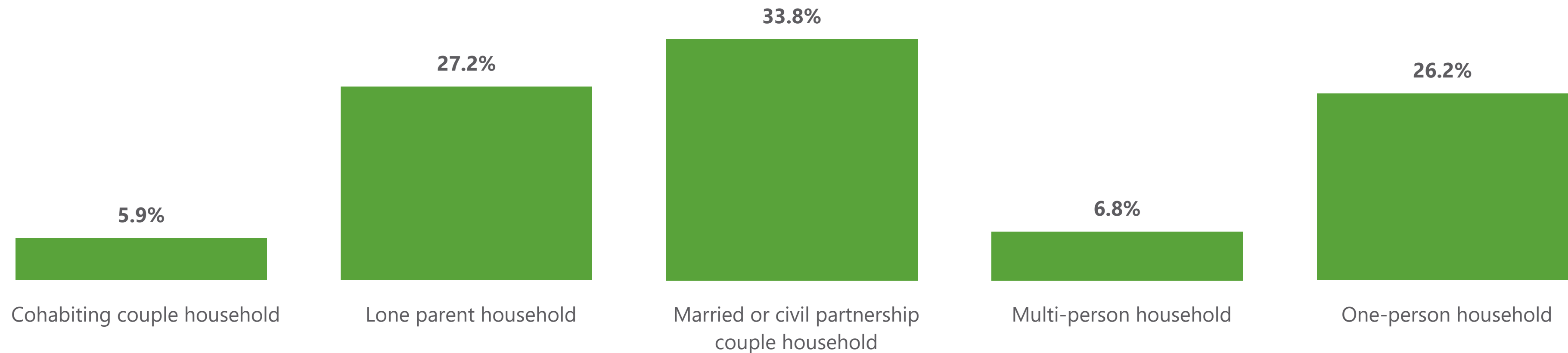
Labour Market - African Community

Economic Activity

African residents in Sheffield

8,281
Economically Active

64%
Rate - Economically Active

All Sheffield residents

260,074
Economically Active

57%
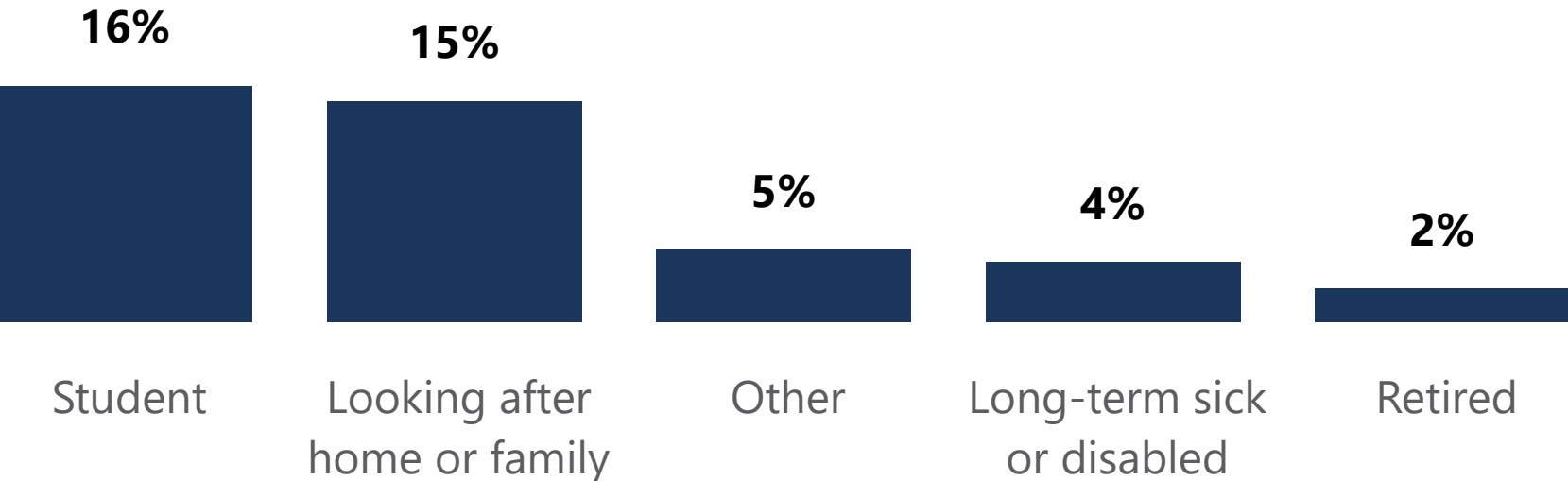Rate - Economically Active

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Female

Economically Active
59%

Economically Inactive
41%

Reason for Economic Inactivity

16%	15%	5%	4%	2%
Student	Looking after home or family	Other	Long-term sick or disabled	Retired

All Sheffield Females

124,105
Economically Active

53%
Rate - Economically Active

Male

Economically Active
70%
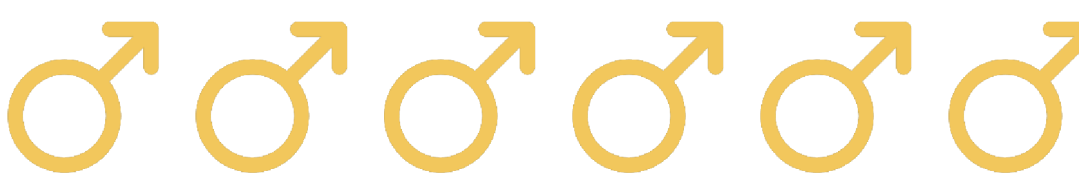
Economically Inactive
30%

Reason for Economic Inactivity

15%	7%	4%	2%	2%
Student	Other	Long-term sick or disabled	Looking after home or family	Retired

All Sheffield Males

135,969
Economically Active

61%
Rate - Economically Active

Labour Market – African Community

Female

Employment Status

African Community

Employed	78%
Self-employed	7%

All Sheffield Communities

86%
8%

Hours Worked

African Community
- Full-time
- Part-time

49% / 51%

All Sheffield Communities

46% / 54%

Employment Status by Age

African Community
- Employed
- Self-employed

16-24	25-34	35-49	50-64
29% / 0%	51% / 2%	56% / 6%	50% / 12%

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16-24	25-34	35-49	50-64
37% / 1%	66% / 5%	66% / 7%	58% / 6%

Unemployed

African Community

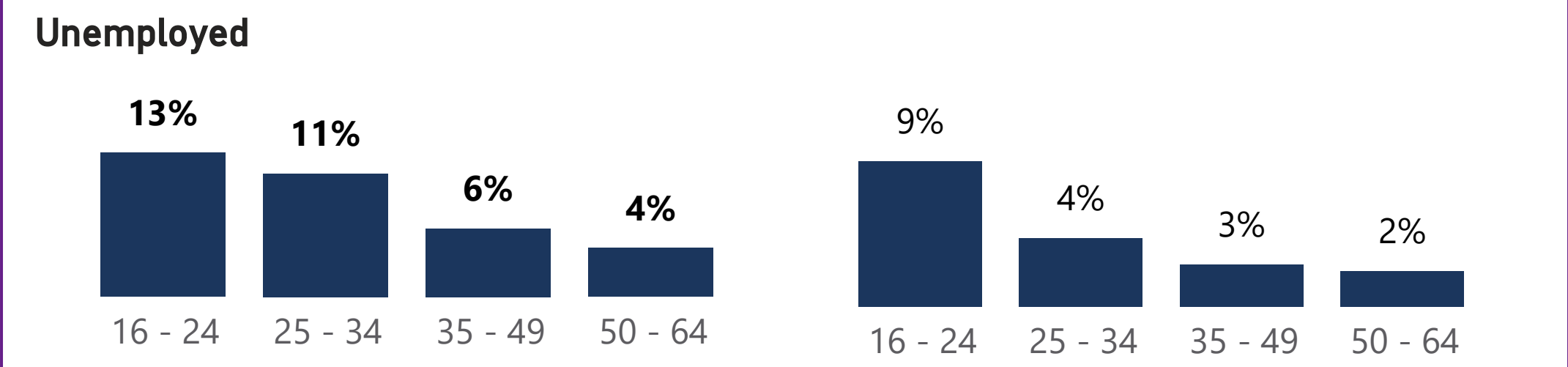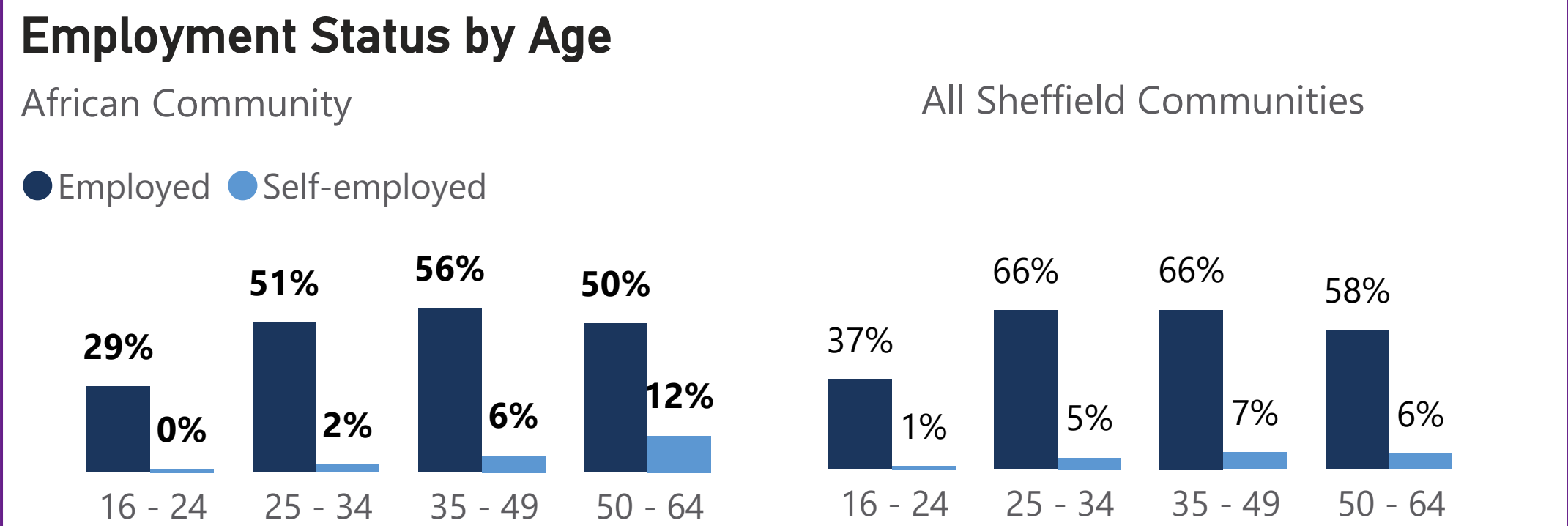| 16-24	25-34	35-49	50-64
13%	11%	6%	4%

All Sheffield

16-24	25-34	35-49	50-64
9%	4%	3%	2%

Male

Employment Status

African Community

Employed	71%
Self-employed	13%

All Sheffield Communities

75%
18%

Hours Worked

African Community
- Full-time
- Part-time

32% / 68%

All Sheffield Communities

21% / 79%

Employment Status by Age

African Community
- Employed
- Self-employed

16-24	25-34	35-49	50-64
26% / 2%	60% / 7%	58% / 14%	56% / 13%

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16-24	25-34	35-49	50-64
33% / 3%	67% / 11%	65% / 17%	54% / 17%

Unemployed

African Community

16-24	25-34	35-49	50-64
15%	14%	9%	6%

All Sheffield

16-24	25-34	35-49	50-64
10%	6%	4%	4%

Female

Employment in Industries in Sheffield

African Community

Industry Name ▲	Community	All Sheffield Communities	Difference
Accommodation and food service activities	3.4%	5.2%	-1.8%
Administrative and support service activities	8.8%	4.2%	4.6%
Agriculture, forestry and fishing	0.0%	0.1%	-0.1%
Construction	1.0%	1.7%	-0.7%
Education	7.5%	17.2%	-9.7%
Electricity, gas, steam and air conditioning supply	0.1%	0.1%	0.0%
Financial and insurance activities	1.3%	2.8%	-1.5%
Human health and social work activities	56.3%	29.6%	26.7%
Information and communication	1.3%	2.3%	-0.9%
Manufacturing	2.4%	3.4%	-1.0%
Mining and quarrying	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Other	2.1%	4.8%	-2.7%
Professional, scientific and technical activities	2.3%	5.4%	-3.1%
Public administration and defence	2.5%	6.1%	-3.6%
Real estate activities	0.6%	1.2%	-0.6%
Transport and storage	2.0%	1.8%	0.3%
Water supply	0.4%	0.2%	0.1%
Wholesale and retails trade	7.9%	13.9%	-6.0%

Male
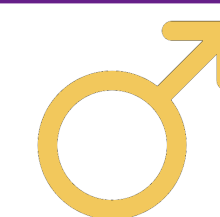
Industries in Sheffield

African Community

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Transport and storage	14.5%	7.4%	7.1%
Water supply	0.2%	0.9%	-0.7%
Wholesale and retails trade	15.5%	15.5%	-0.0%

To sort the tables in alphabetical or numerical order, simply (left) click on the column title (e.g. "Industry Name" or "Difference").

Language, Nationality, and Religion - African Community

Main Language
African Community

Language	Rate
English	70.90%
African languages	19.64%
Arabic	3.92%
French	1.74%
Portuguese	1.62%
Any other European languages	1.19%
Spanish	0.53%
West or Central Asian languages	0.21%
Any other East Asian languages	0.13%
Any other languages	0.12%

Religion
African Community

Religion	Rate
Christian	56.74%
Muslim	36.89%
Not answered	3.51%
No religion	2.65%
Other religion	0.15%
Jewish	0.03%
Buddhist	0.02%
Hindu	0.01%
Sikh	0.00%

National Identity
African Community

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National identity	Community	Sheffield
British only identity	53%	58%
Non-UK identity only	40%	9%
UK identity and non-UK identity	4%	2%
English and British only identity	2%	16%
English only identity	2%	14%
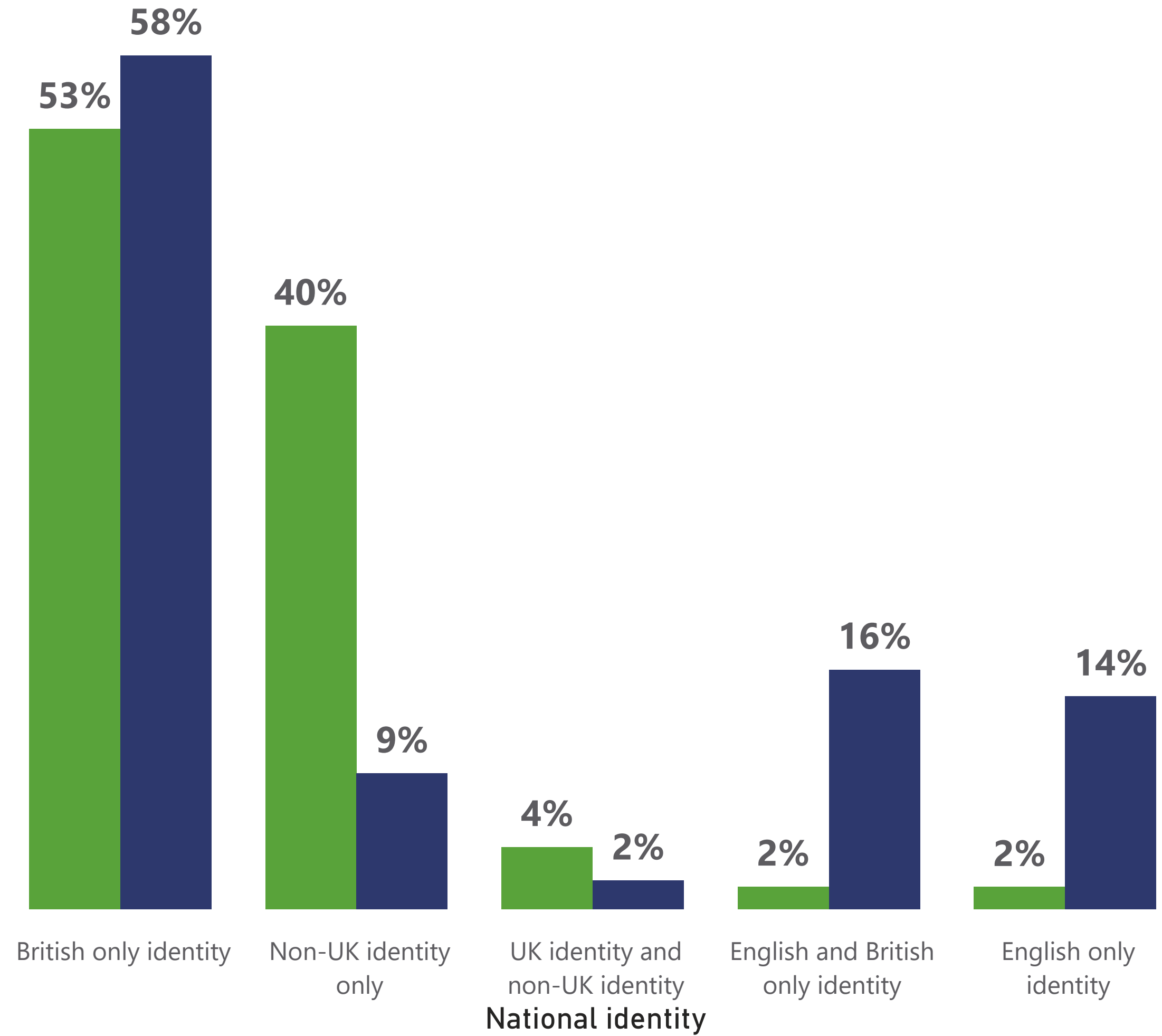
Health and Wellbeing - African Community

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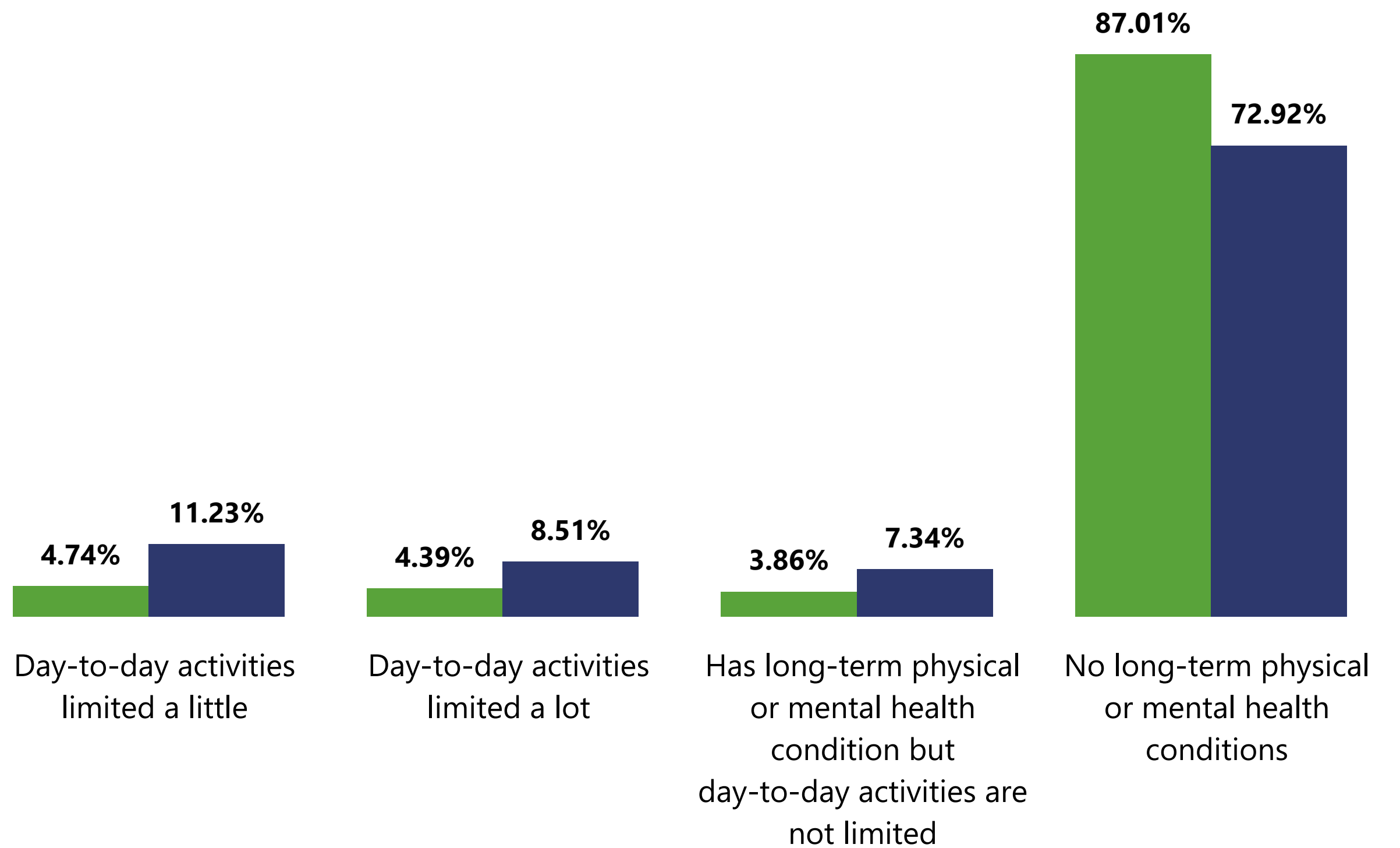
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7% 3%
90%

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6%
14%
80%
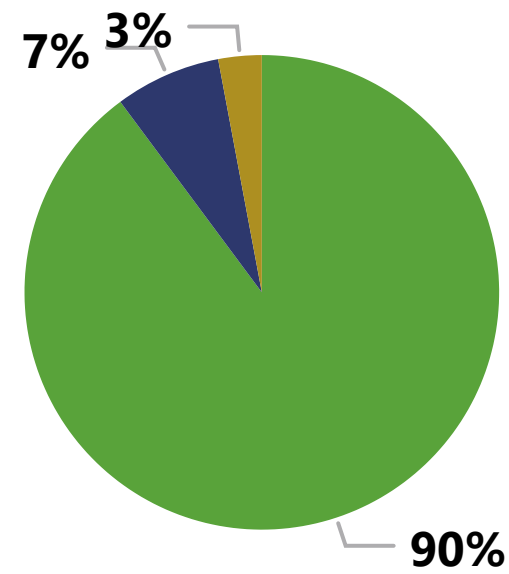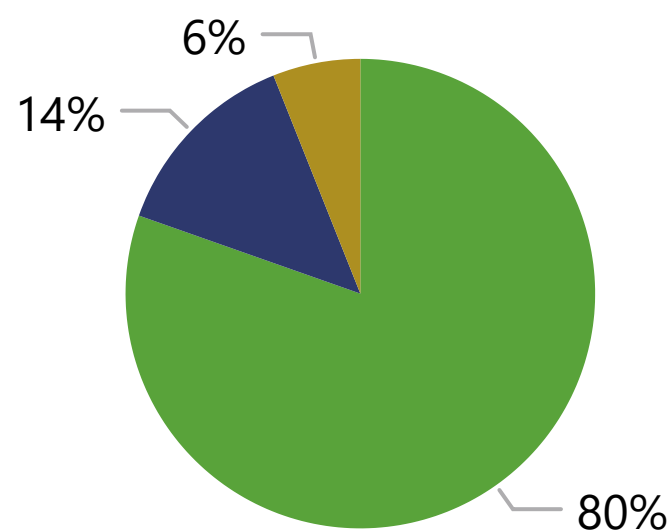
● Very good or good health ● Fair health ● Bad or very bad health

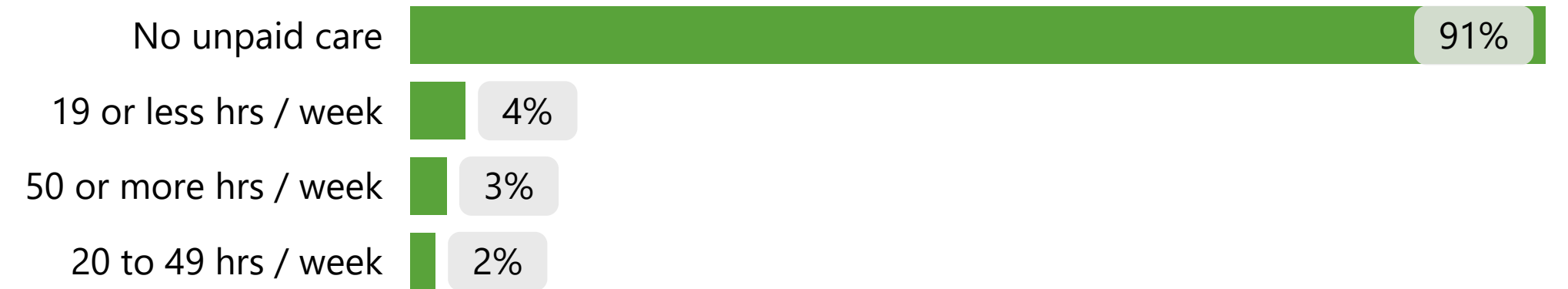## Disability

African Community

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	Community	Sheffield
Day-to-day activities limited a little	4.74%	11.23%
Day-to-day activities limited a lot	4.39%	8.51%
Has long-term physical or mental health condition but day-to-day activities are not limited	3.86%	7.34%
No long-term physical or mental health conditions	87.01%	72.92%

Provision of Unpaid Care

African Community

No unpaid care	94%
20 to 49 hrs / week	3%
19 or less hrs / week	2%
50 or more hrs / week	2%

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No unpaid care	91%
19 or less hrs / week	4%
50 or more hrs / week	3%
20 to 49 hrs / week	2%
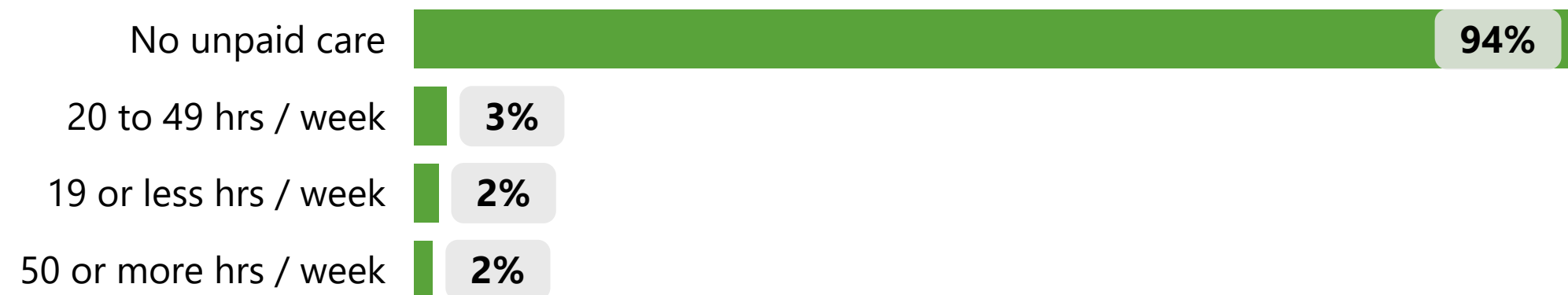
Education – African Community

School Students
African Community

76,605
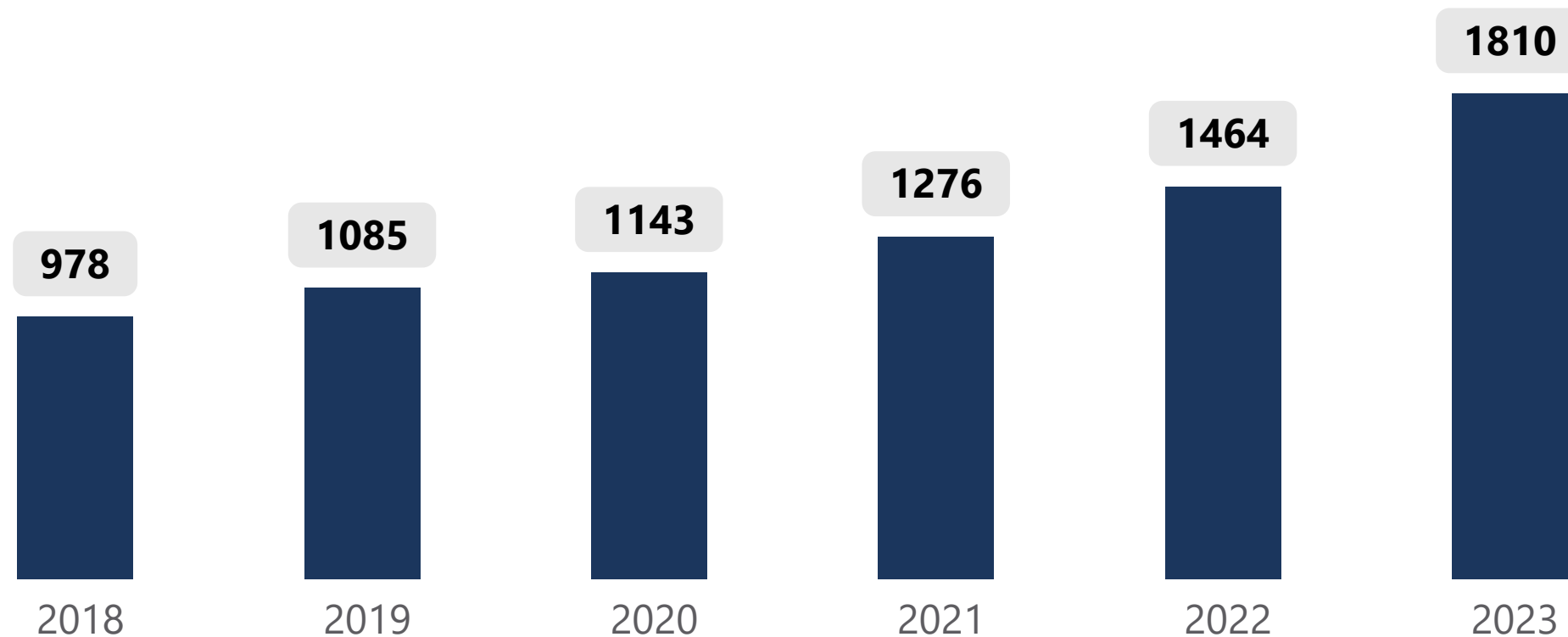All Students in Sheffield

3645
African Students in Sheffield

4.8%
Percentage of Students who are African

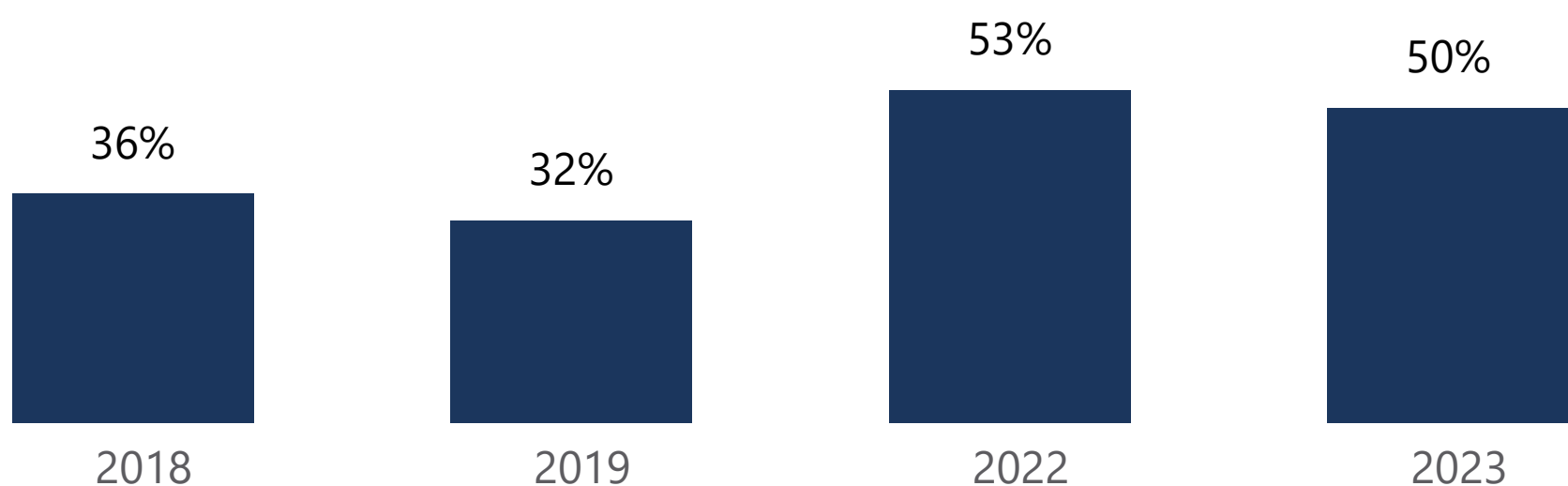## School Students
African Community
Female

Year	Students
2018	978
2019	1085
2020	1143
2021	1276
2022	1464
2023	1810

Attainment – English and Maths 9-5 (Key Stage 4)
African Community

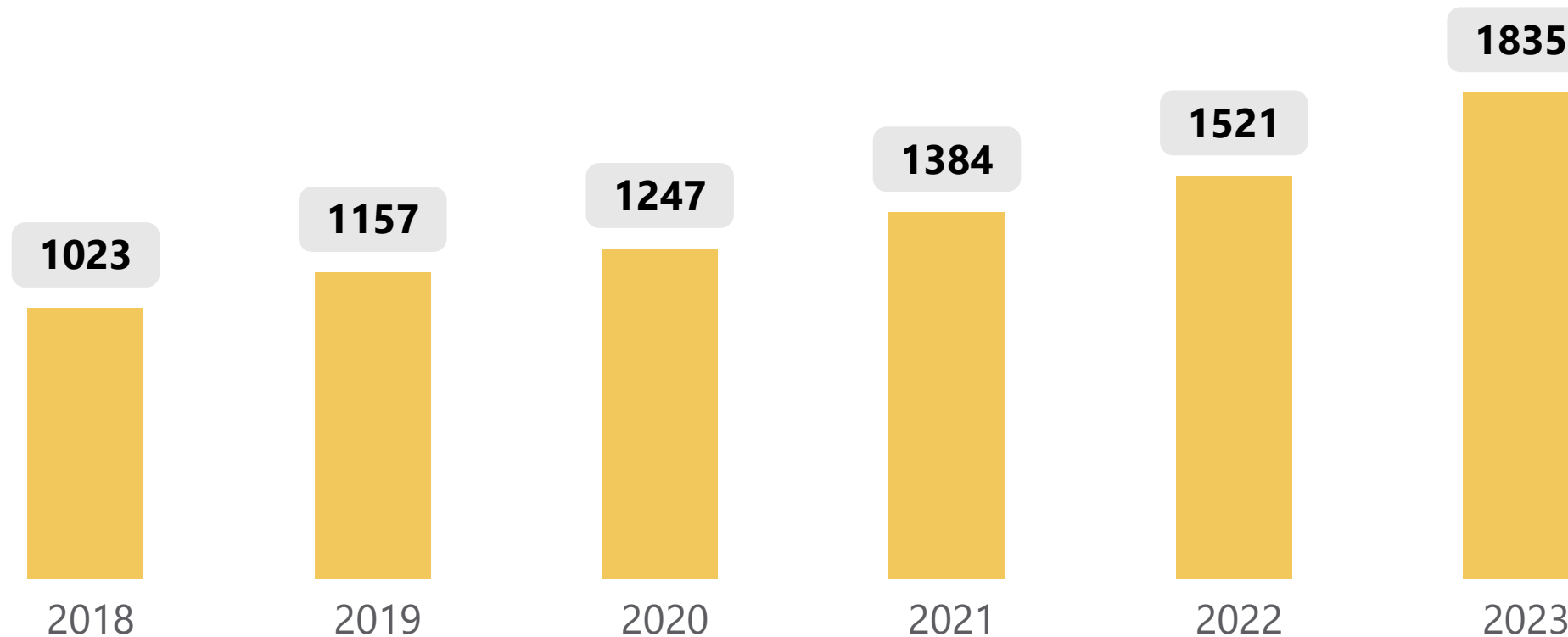| Year	Attainment
2018	36%
2019	32%
2022	53%
2023	50%

*Attainment Data is not available for **2020 and 2021** due to COVID-19's impact on assessments.

School Students
African Community
Male

Year	Students
2018	1023
2019	1157
2020	1247
2021	1384
2022	1521
2023	1835

Attainment – English and Maths 9-5 (Key Stage 4)
African Community

Year	Attainment
2018	28%
2019	17%
2022	41%
2023	39%
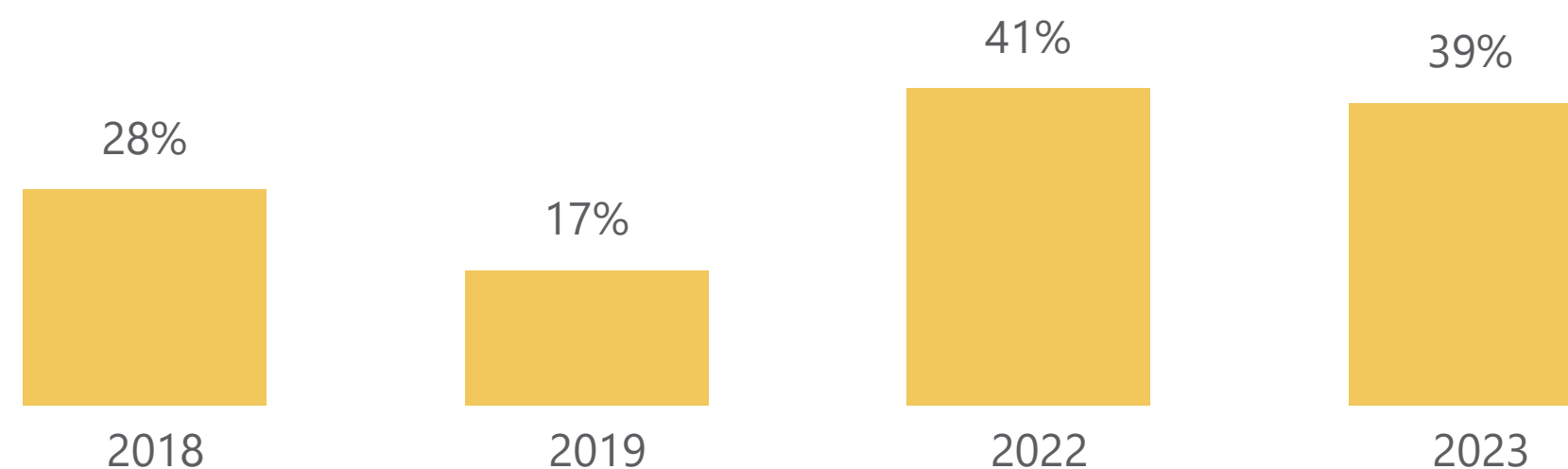
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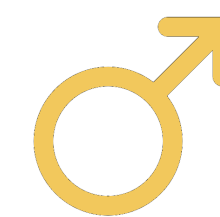
Female

Qualification Attainment
African Community

Qualification Level	Level Details	Community	Sheffield
⊞ Level 1 and entry level qualifications	1 to 4 GCSEs grade A* to C	10.09%	9.52%
⊞ Level 2 qualifications	5 or more GCSEs (A* to C or 9 to 4)	9.70%	12.61%
⊞ Level 3 qualifications	2 or more A levels or VCEs	13.55%	17.60%
⊞ Level 4 qualifications or above	degree (BA	42.67%	33.97%
⊞ No qualifications		19.33%	21.01%
⊞ Other	apprenticeships	4.66%	5.28%

Male
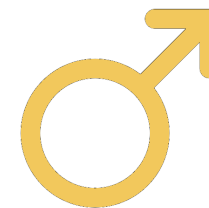
Qualification Attainment
African Community

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⊞ Level 2 qualifications	5 or more GCSEs (A* to C or 9 to 4)	10.88%	10.84%
⊞ Level 3 qualifications	2 or more A levels or VCEs	15.06%	19.58%
⊞ Level 4 qualifications or above	degree (BA	43.16%	32.71%
⊞ No qualifications		15.02%	17.67%
⊞ Other	apprenticeships	6.50%	10.57%

NEET 16-17 year olds (Not in Employment, Education, or Training)
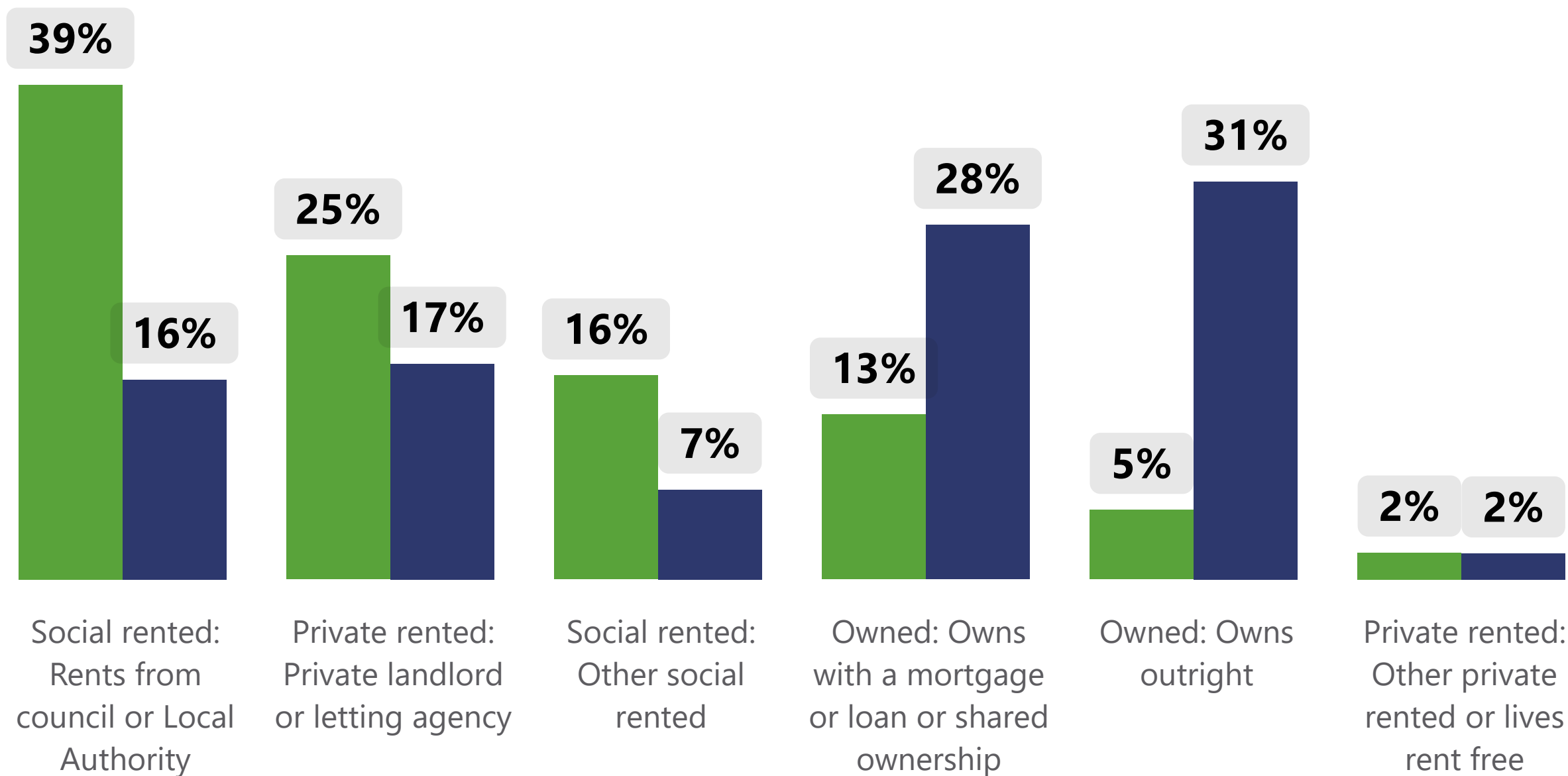African Community

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6.3%   6.9%
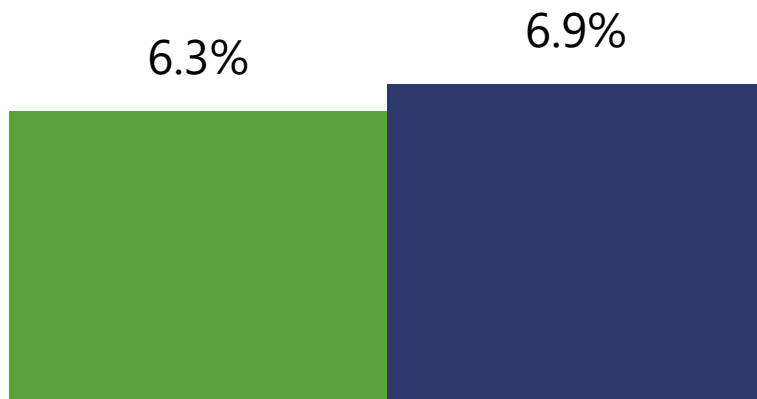
Housing - African Community
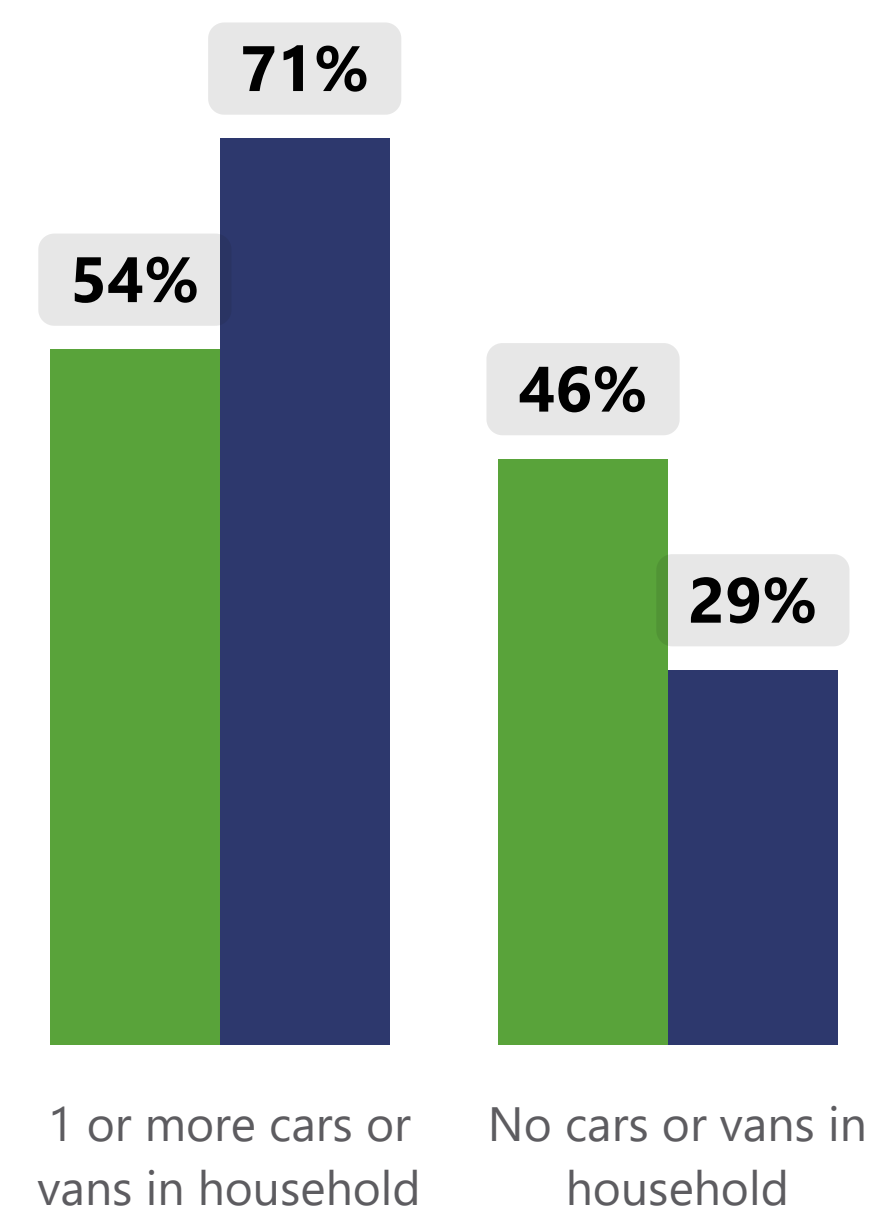
Household Tenure
African Community

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- Social rented: Rents from council or Local Authority: **39%** Community, **16%** Sheffield
- Private rented: Private landlord or letting agency: **25%** Community, **17%** Sheffield
- Social rented: Other social rented: **16%** Community, **7%** Sheffield
- Owned: Owns with a mortgage or loan or shared ownership: **13%** Community, **28%** Sheffield
- Owned: Owns outright: **5%** Community, **31%** Sheffield
- Private rented: Other private rented or lives rent free: **2%** Community, **2%** Sheffield

Car or Van Availability
African Community

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- 1 or more cars or vans in household: **54%** Community, **71%** Sheffield
- No cars or vans in household: **46%** Community, **29%** Sheffield

Household Occupancy Rating for Bedrooms

Rating	Community	Sheffield
-2 or less	3%	1%
-1	15%	3%
0	50%	28%
+1	22%	33%
+2 or more	10%	36%

Whether a household's accommodation is overcrowded, ideally occupied, or under-occupied. This is calculated by comparing the number of bedrooms the household requires to the number of available bedrooms.

* -1 or less implies that a household's accommodation has fewer bedrooms than required (overcrowded)
* +1 or more implies that a household's accommodation has more bedrooms than required (under-occupied)
* 0 suggests that a household that a household's accommodation has an ideal number of bedrooms.

To find out more details refer to the Info icon (bottom left of this page) and see the Occupancy Rating for Bedrooms variable.

Deprivation - African Community

African Community

All Households	Deprived Households
6,259	3,782

Deprived In One Dimension
62.2%
Deprived In Two Dimensions
28.7%
Deprived In Three Dimensions
8.6%
Deprived In Four Dimensions
0.5%

Sheffield

All Households	Deprived Households
231,946	126,709

Deprived In One Dimension
62.2%
Deprived In Two Dimensions
28.9%
Deprived In Three Dimensions
8.3%
Deprived In Four Dimensions
0.5%

Household Deprivation Dimensions

African Community	Sheffield
25.7%	**7.5%**

Housing

A household is classified as deprived in the housing dimension if the household's accommodation is either overcrowded, in a shared dwelling, or has no central heating.

African Community	Sheffield
17.6%	**12.9%**

Employment

A household is classified as deprived in the employment dimension if any member, not a full-time student, is either unemployed or economically inactive due to long-term sickness or disability.

African Community	Sheffield
22.2%	**23.5%**

Education

A household is classified as deprived in the education dimension if no one has at least a level 2 education and no one aged 16 to 18 years is a full-time student.

African Community	Sheffield
23.7%	**36.5%**

Health & Disability

A household is classified as deprived in the health dimension if any person in the household has general health that is bad or very bad or is identified as disabled.

People who have assessed their day-to-day activities as limited by long-term physical or mental health conditions or illnesses are considered disabled. This definition of a disabled person meets the harmonised standard for measuring disability and is in line with the Equality Act (2010).