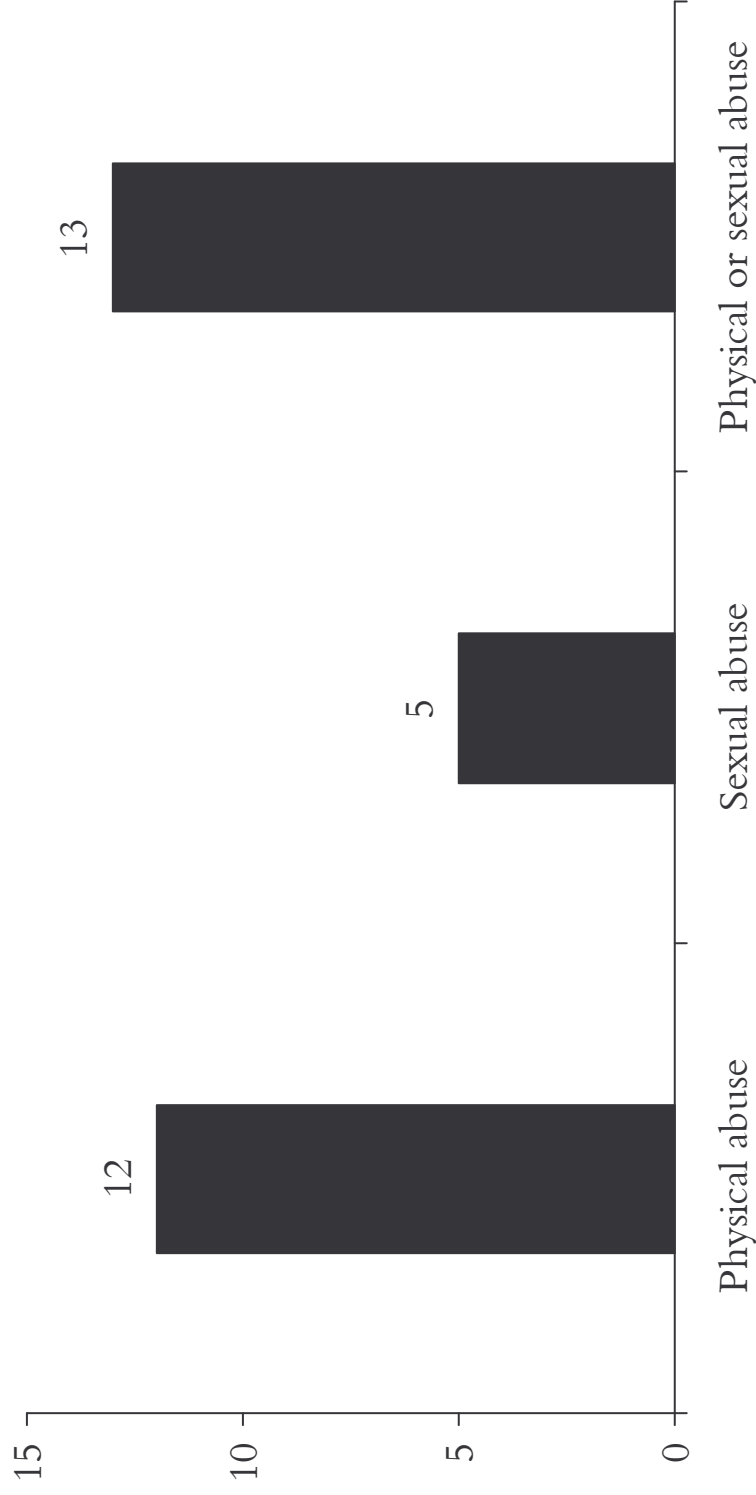


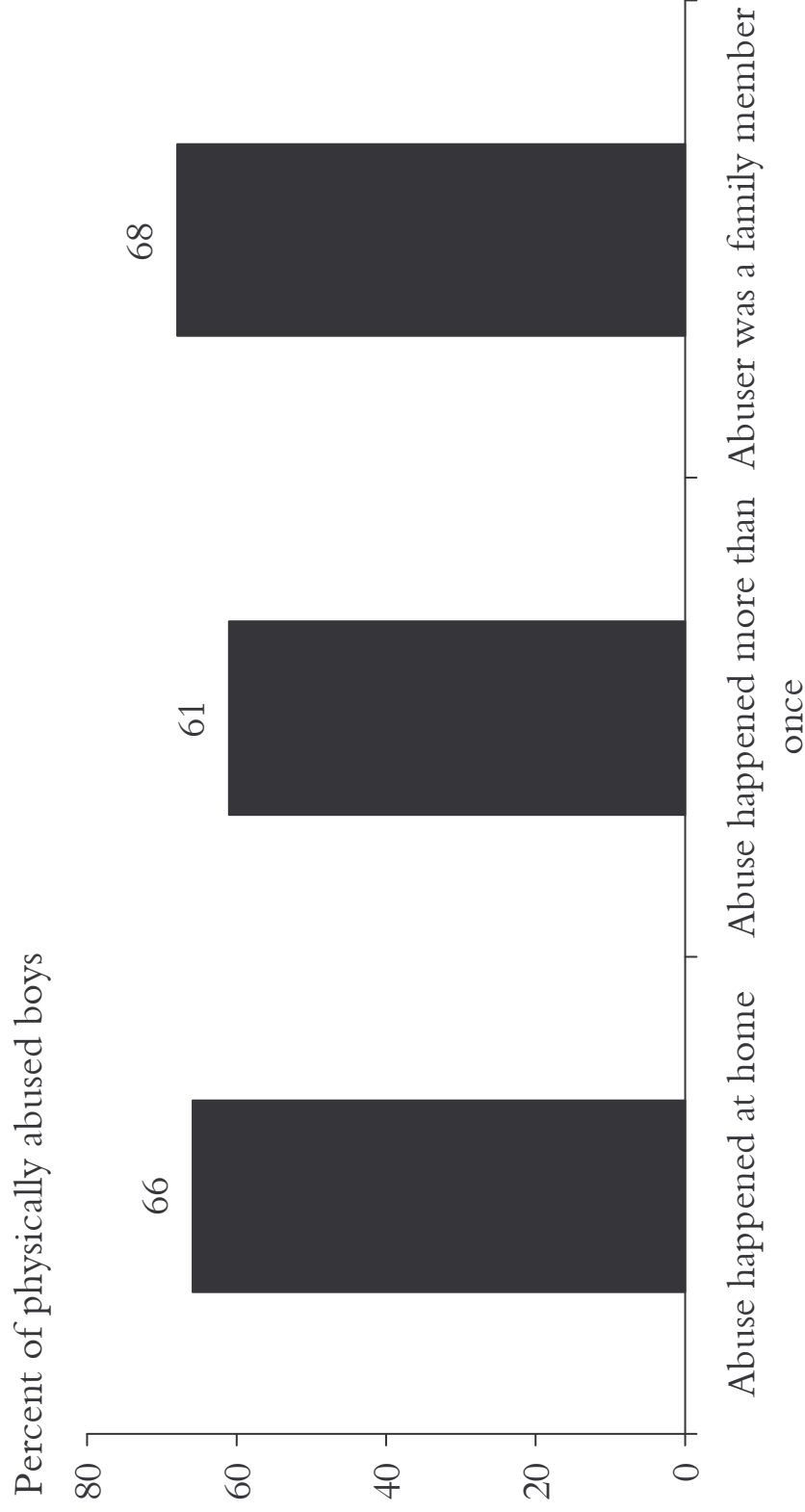
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Percent of boys reporting ever being abused, grades 9-12



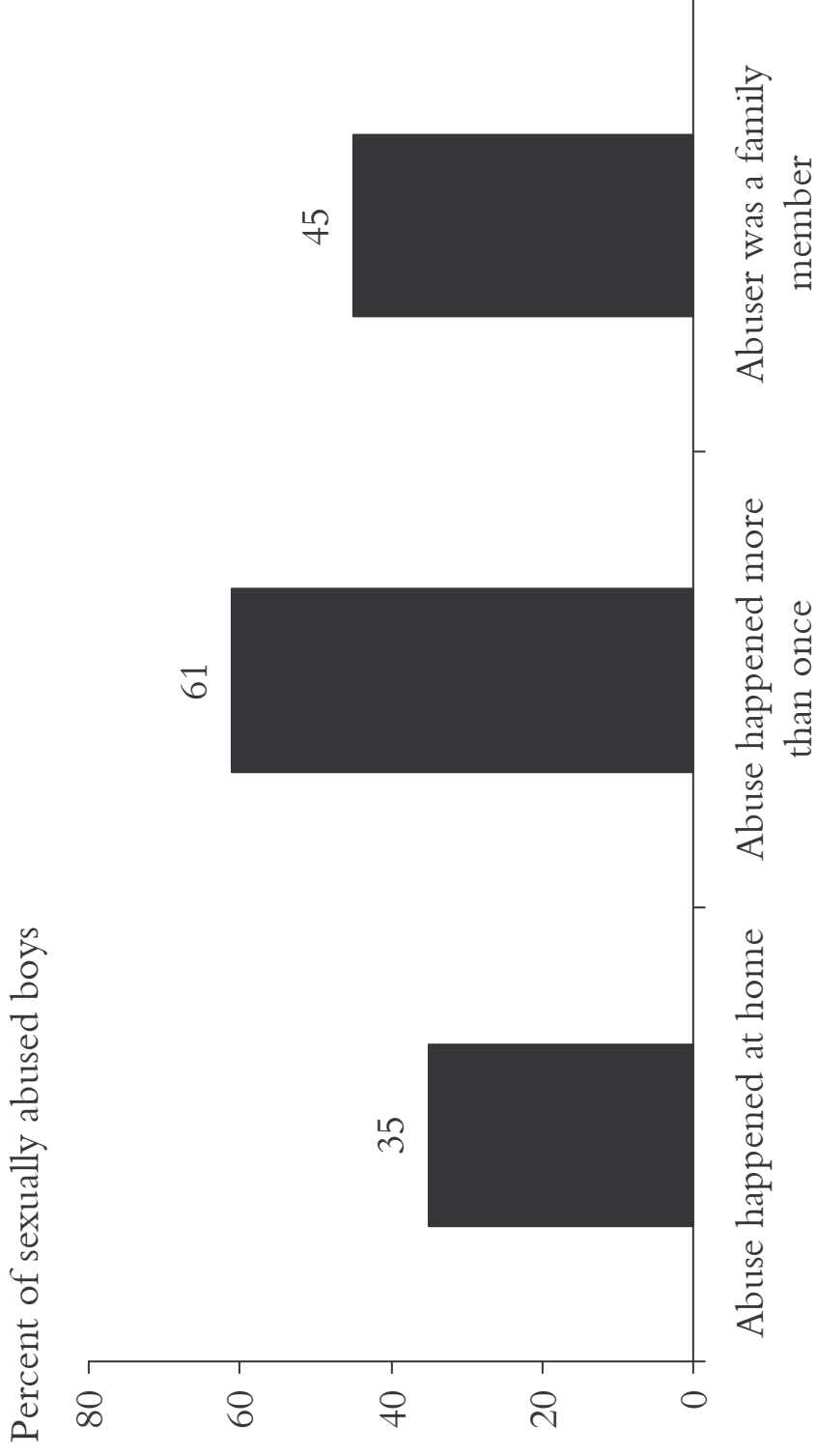
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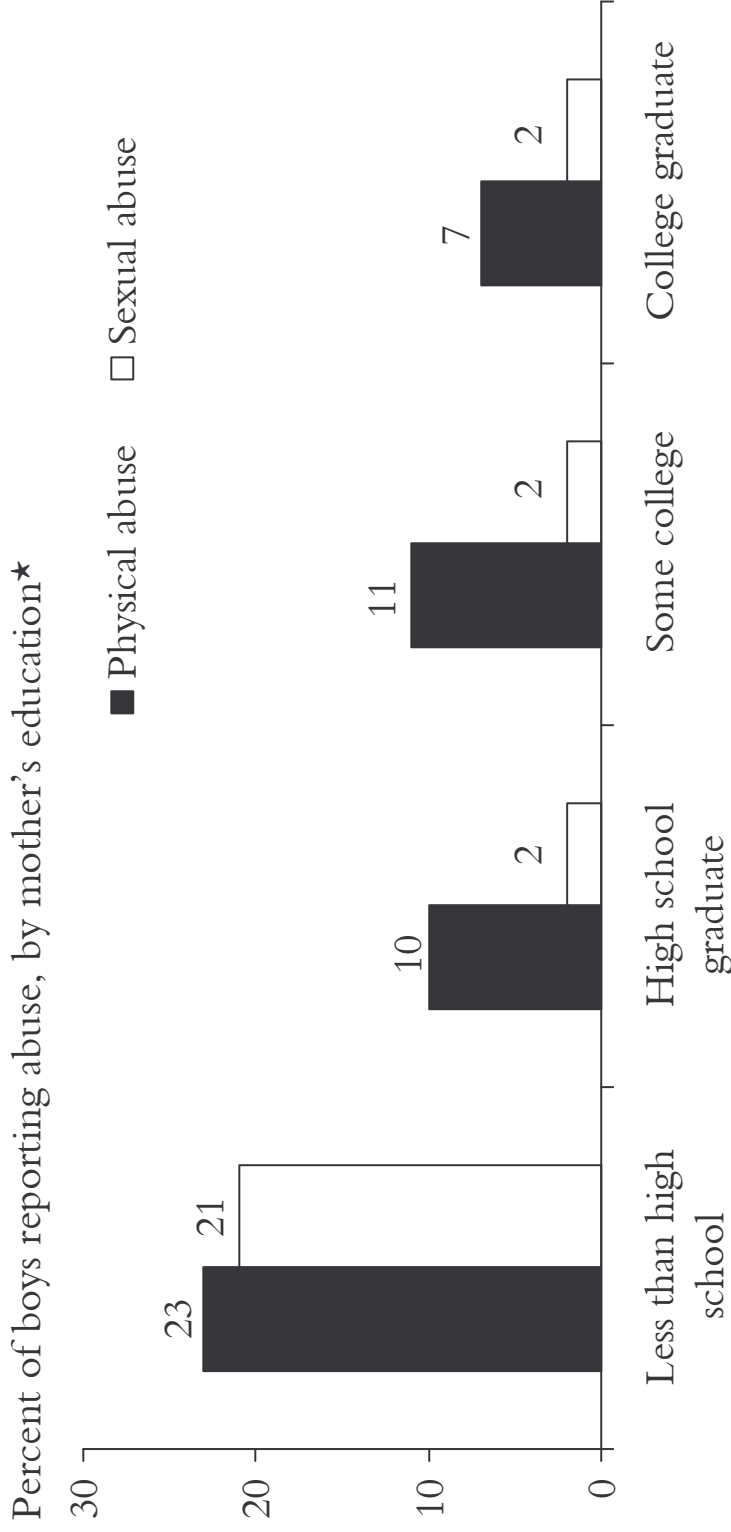
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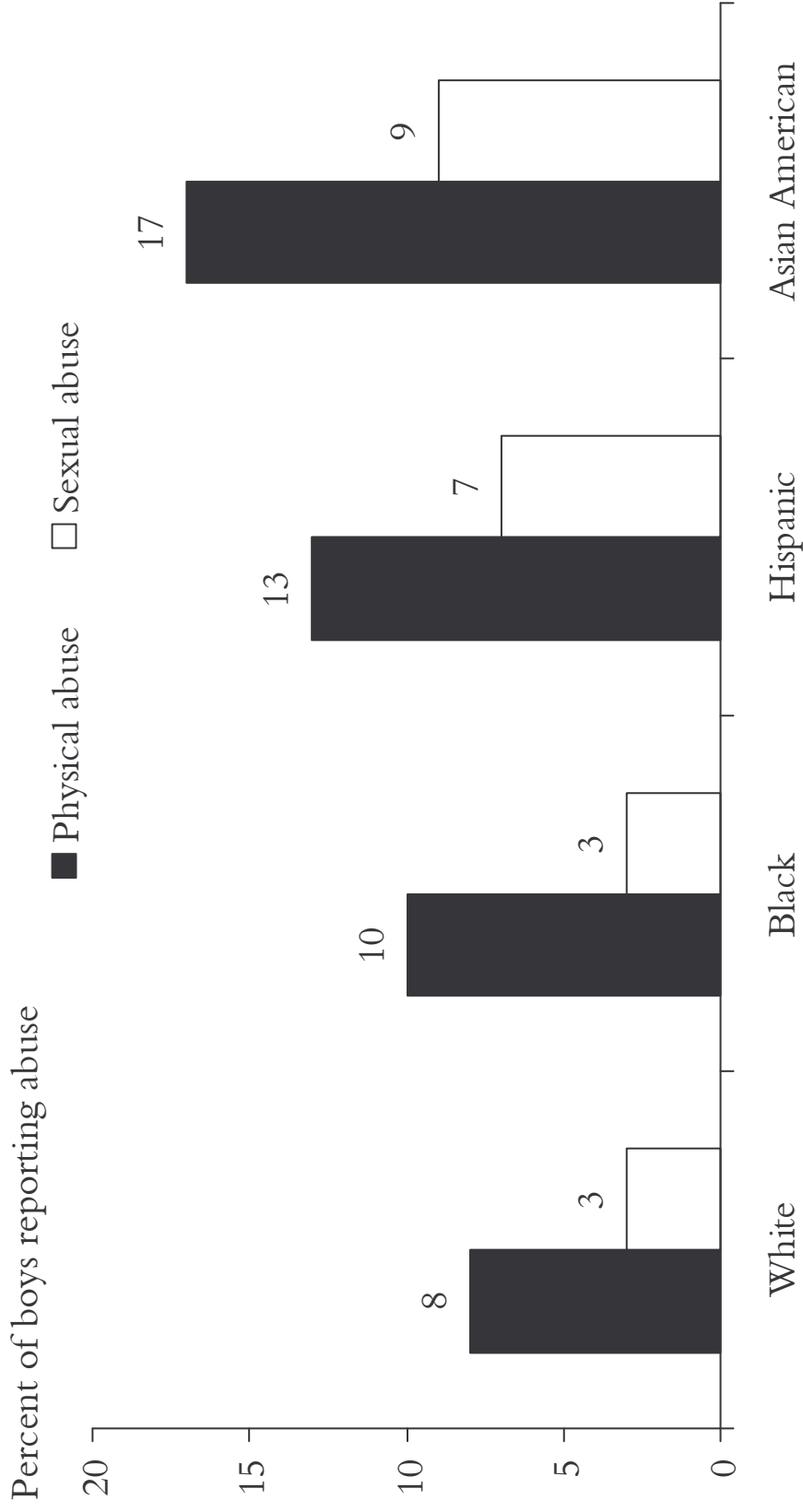


MOTHER'S EDUCATION

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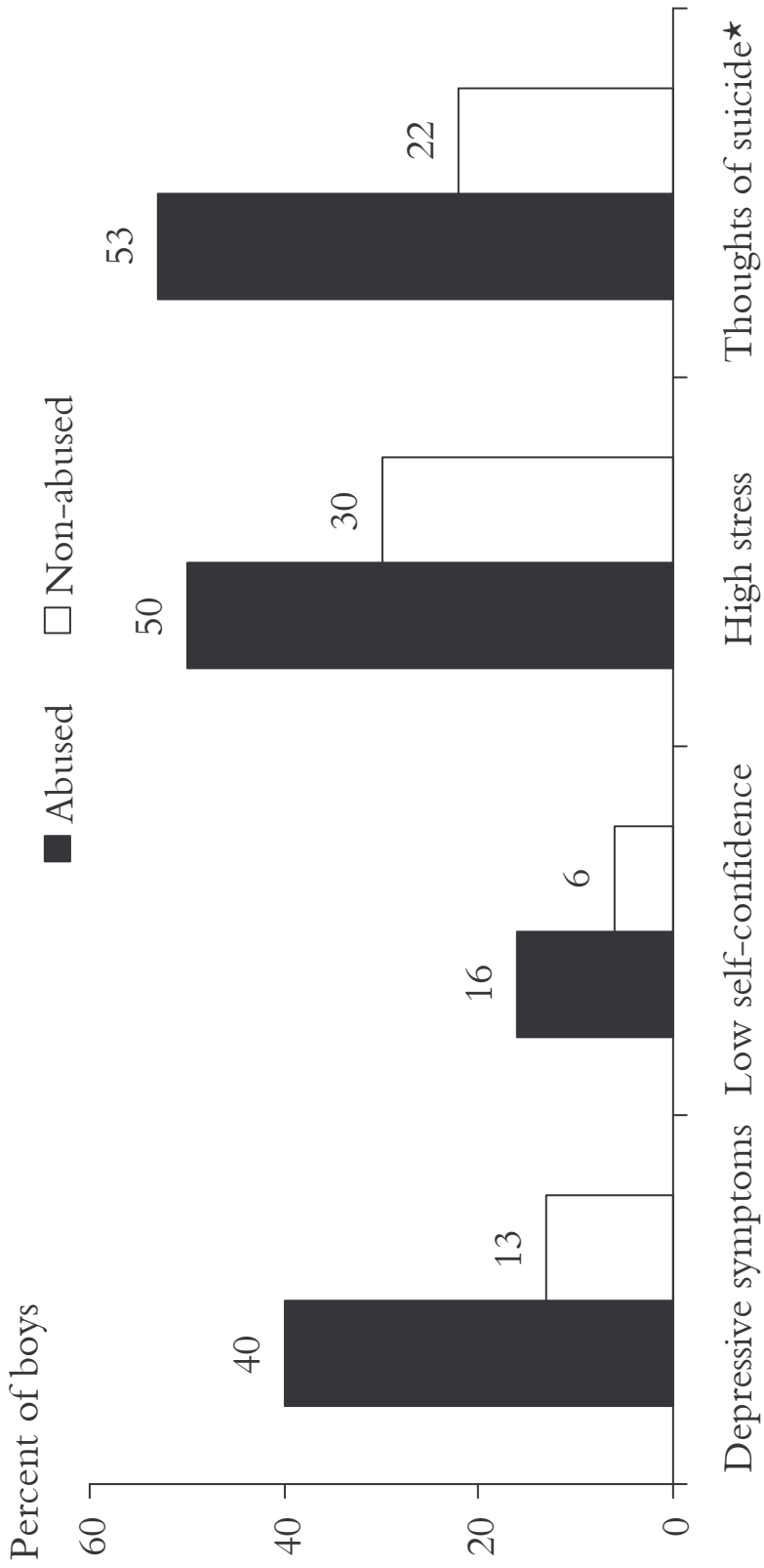
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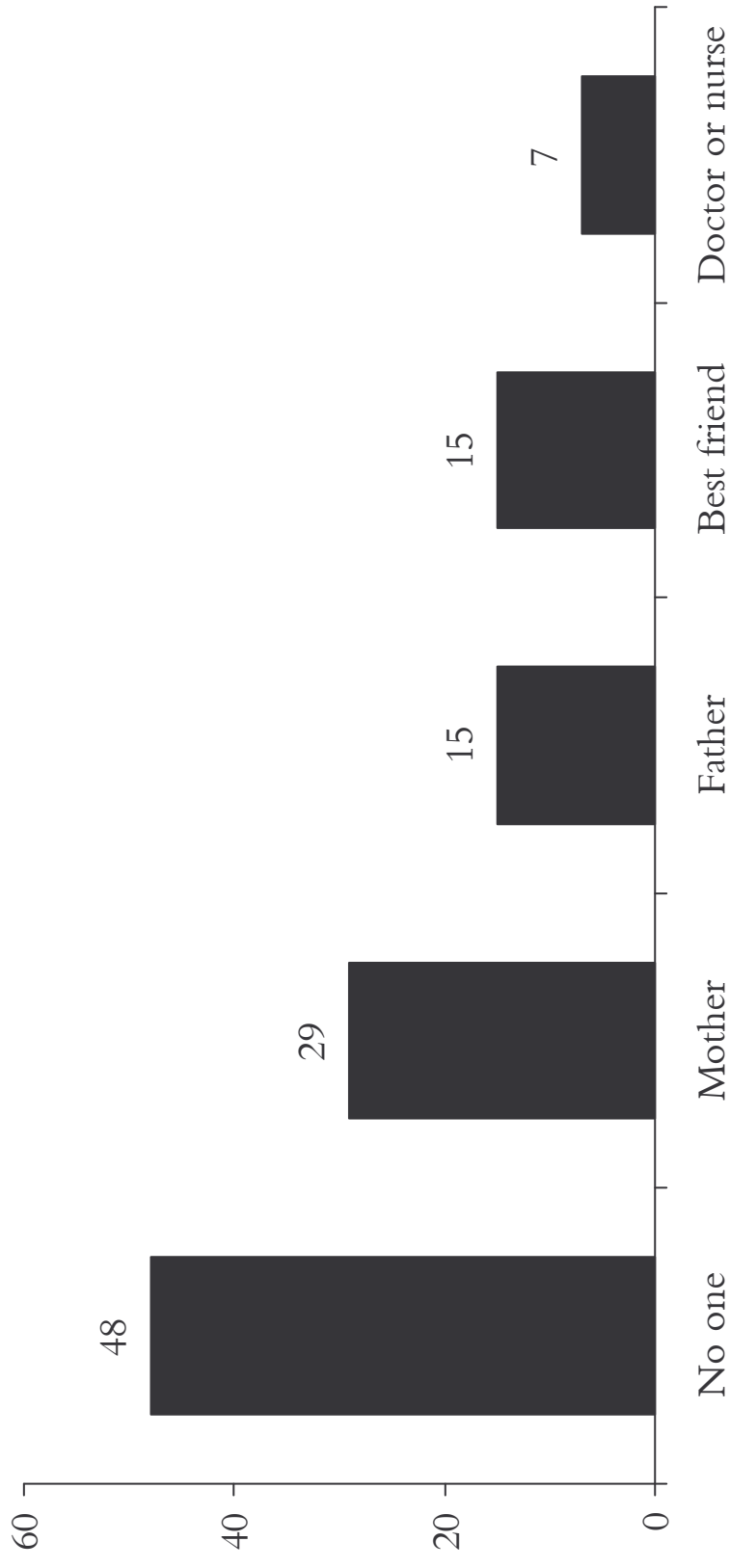


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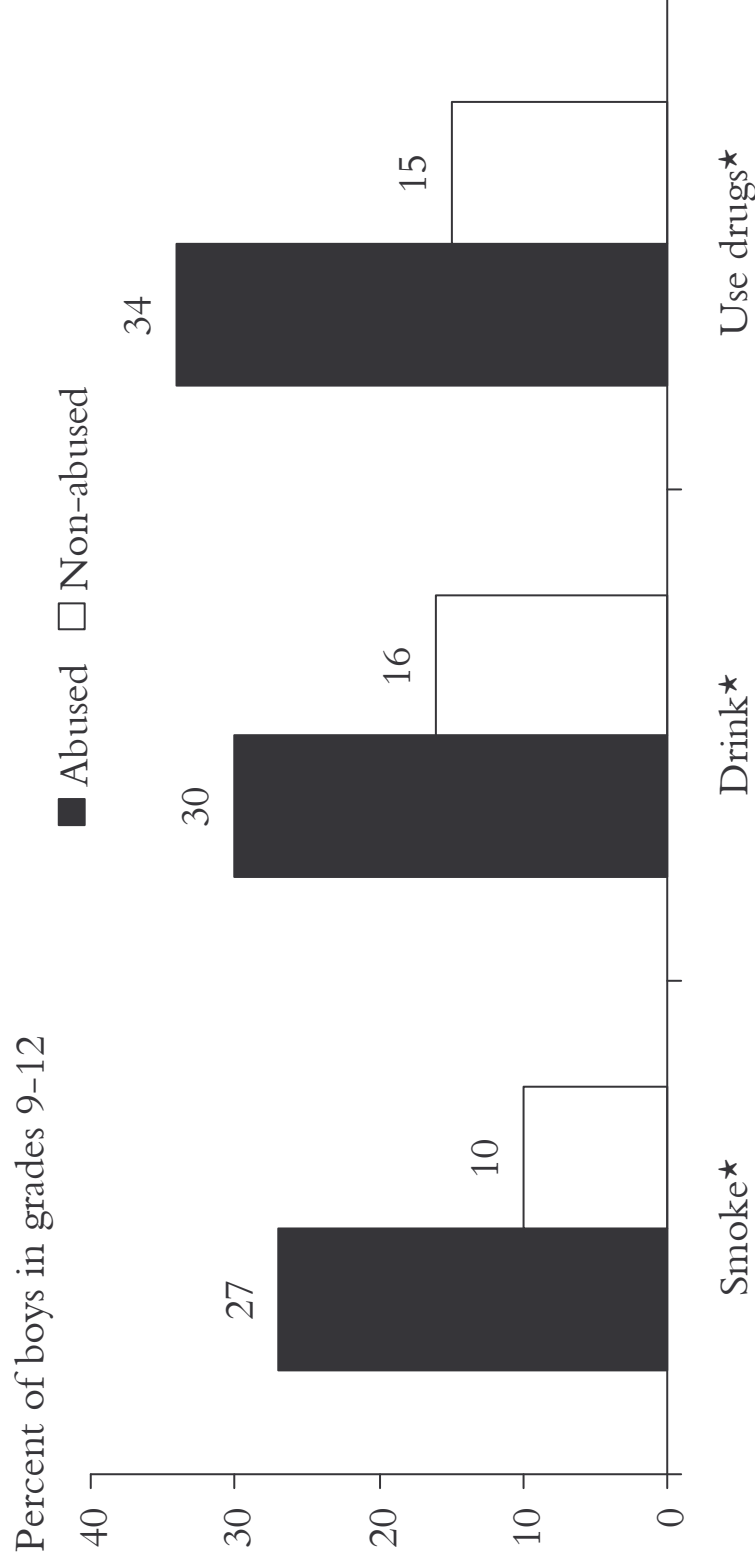
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Older Abused Boys Are More Likely to Put Their Health at Risk



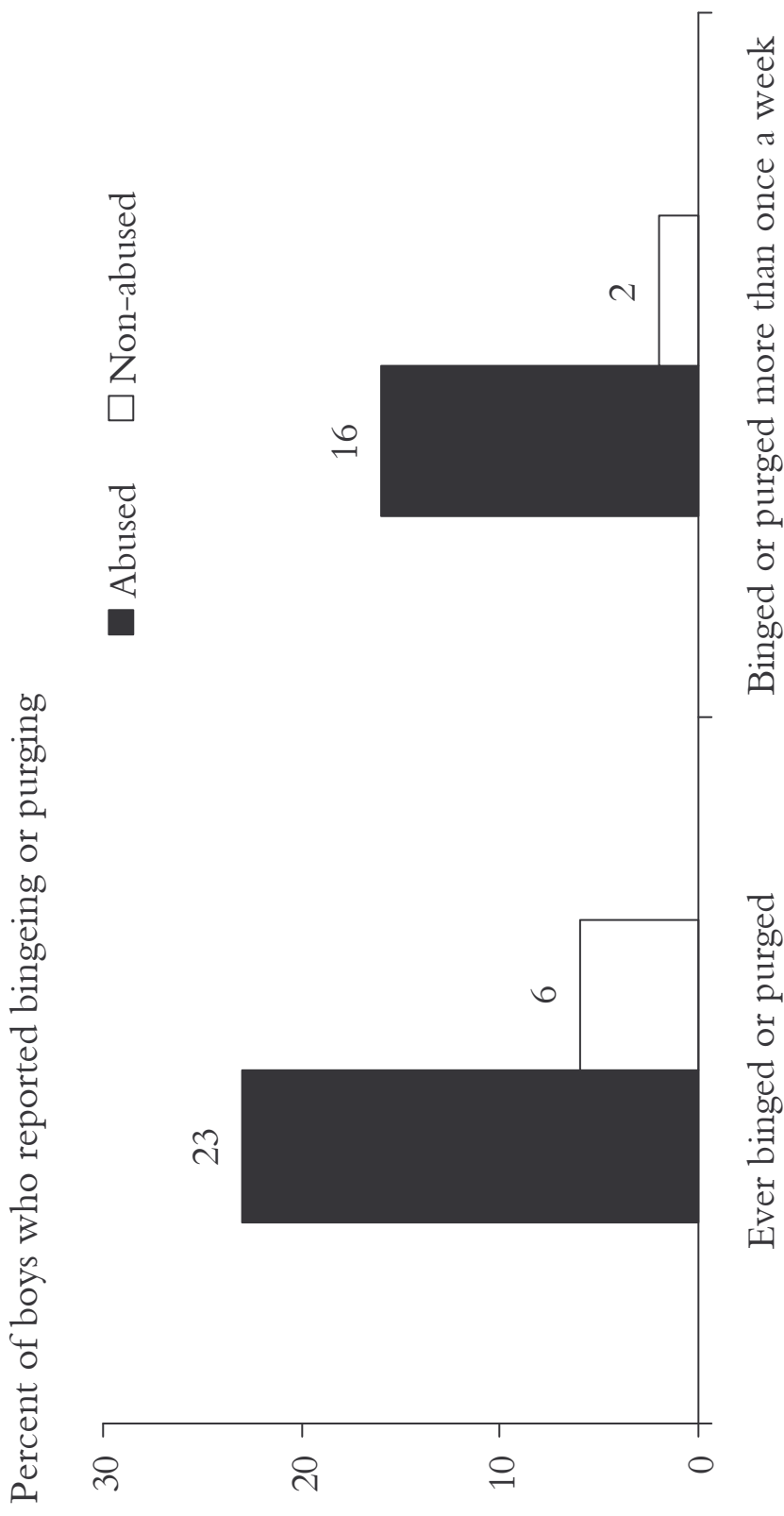
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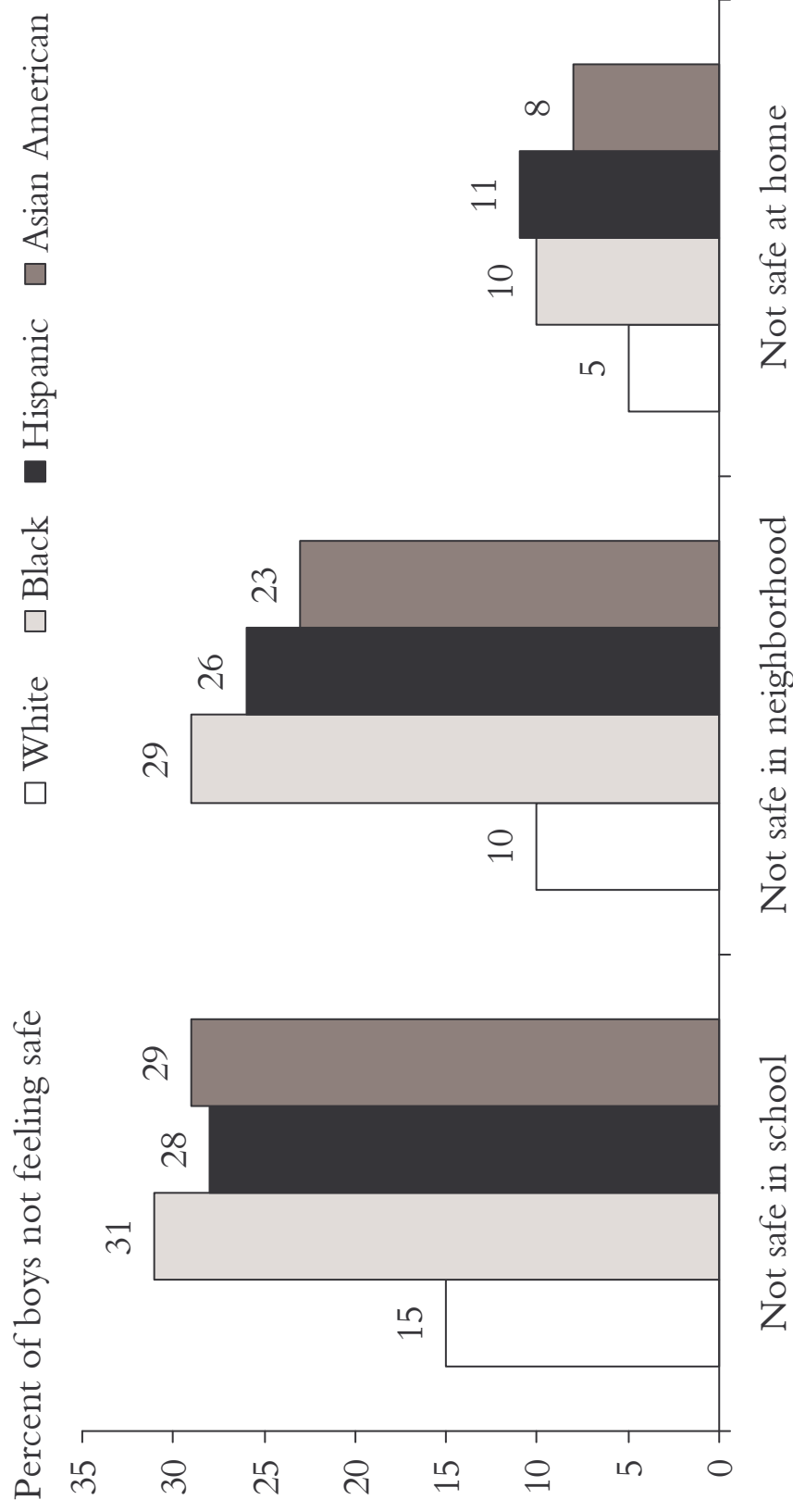
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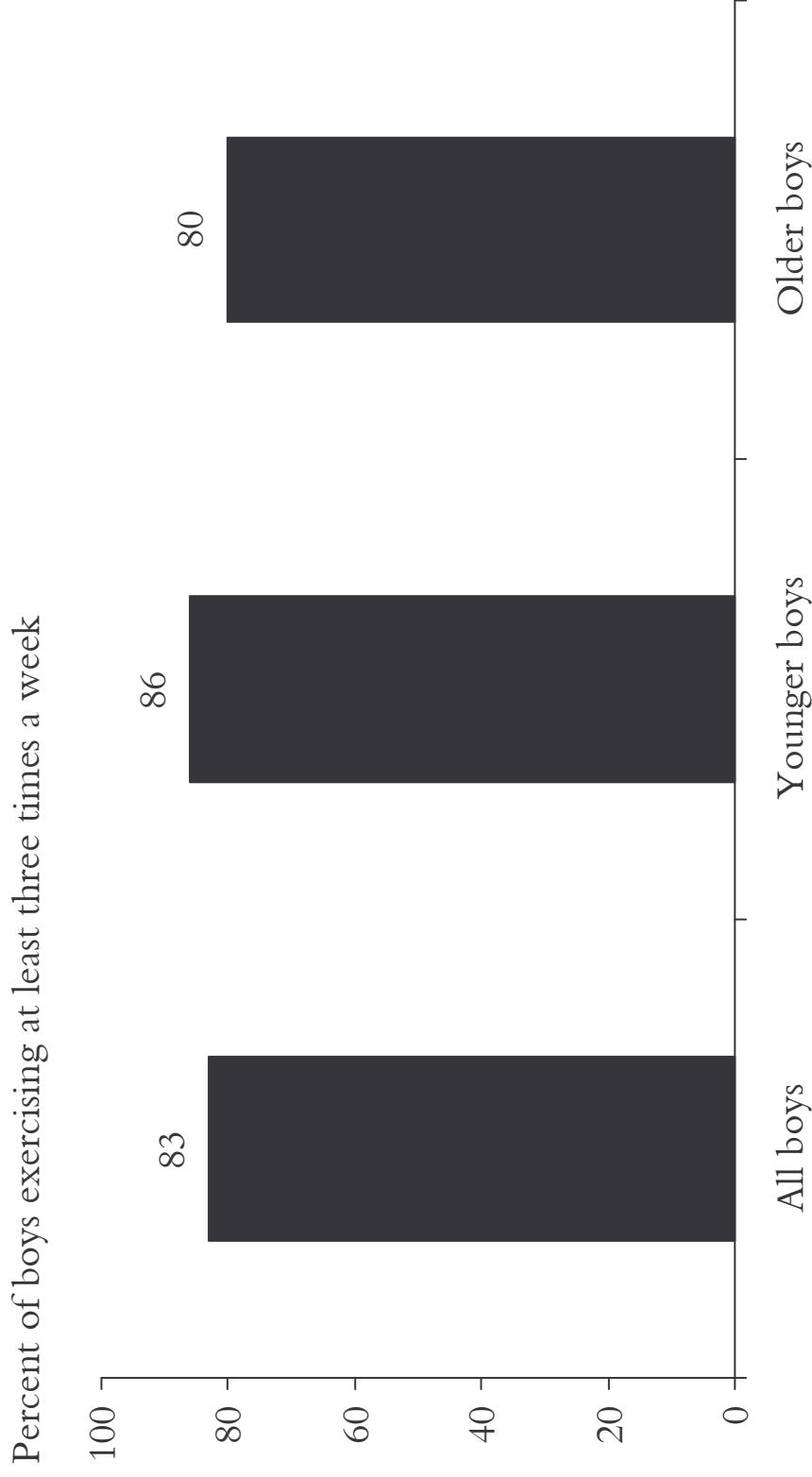
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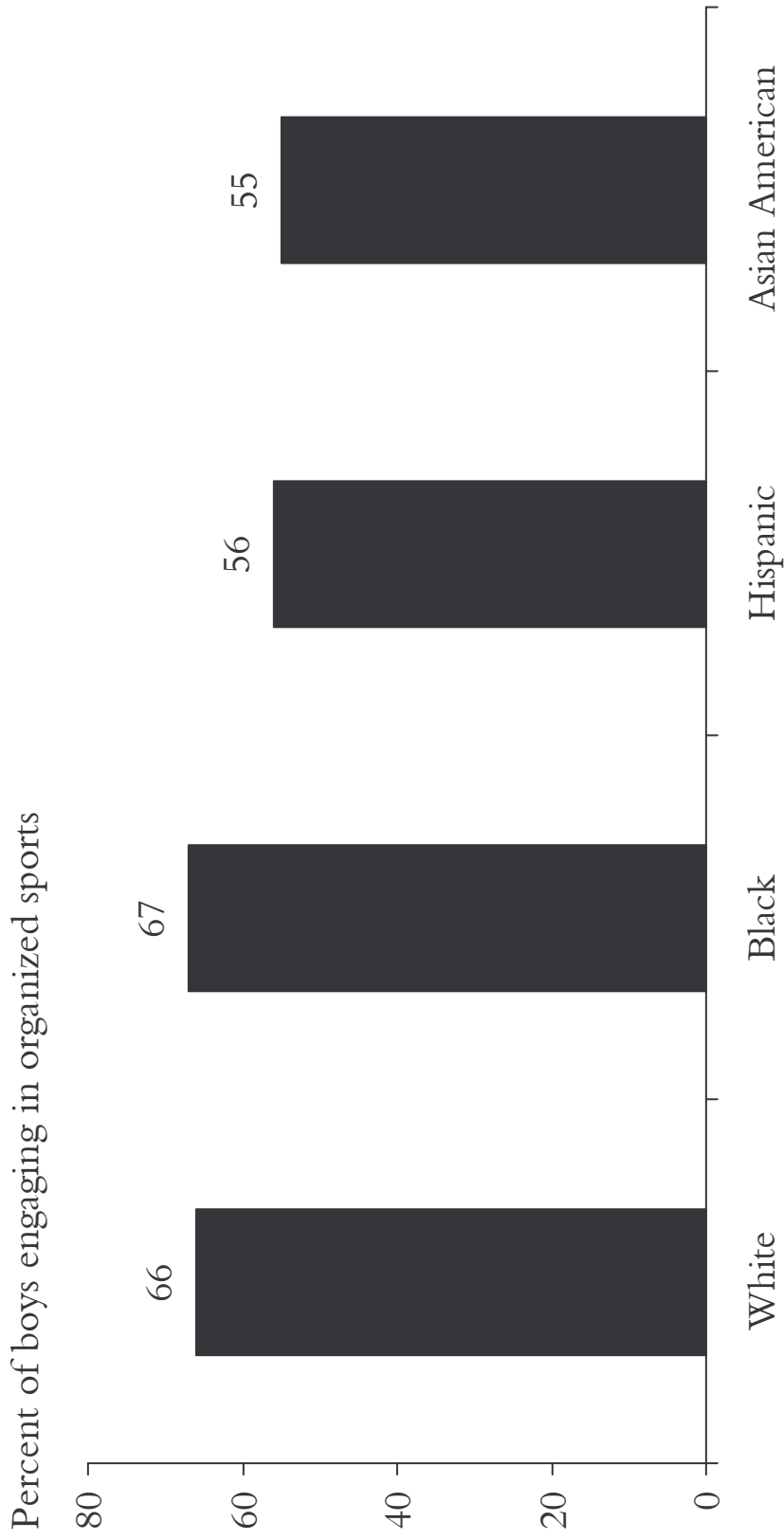
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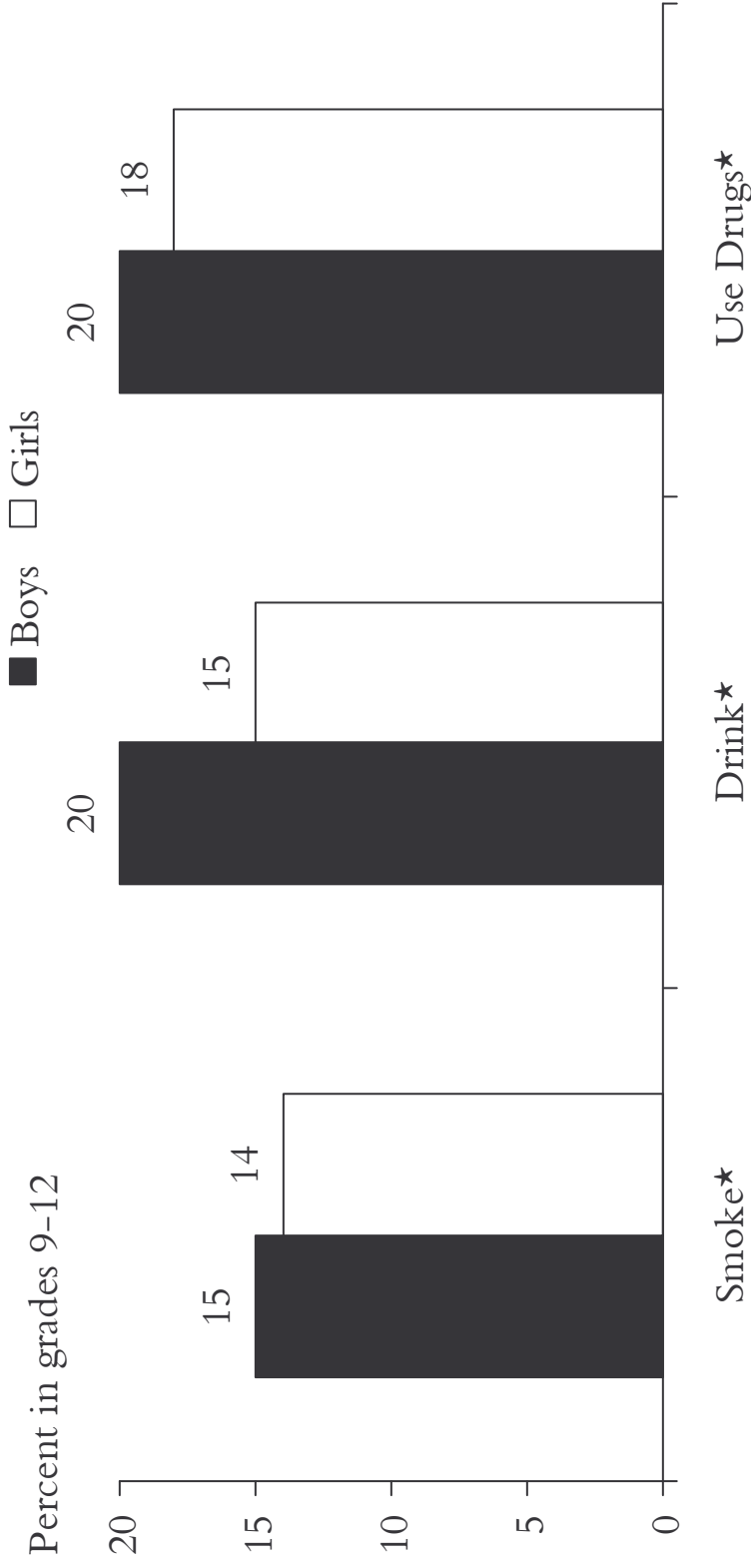
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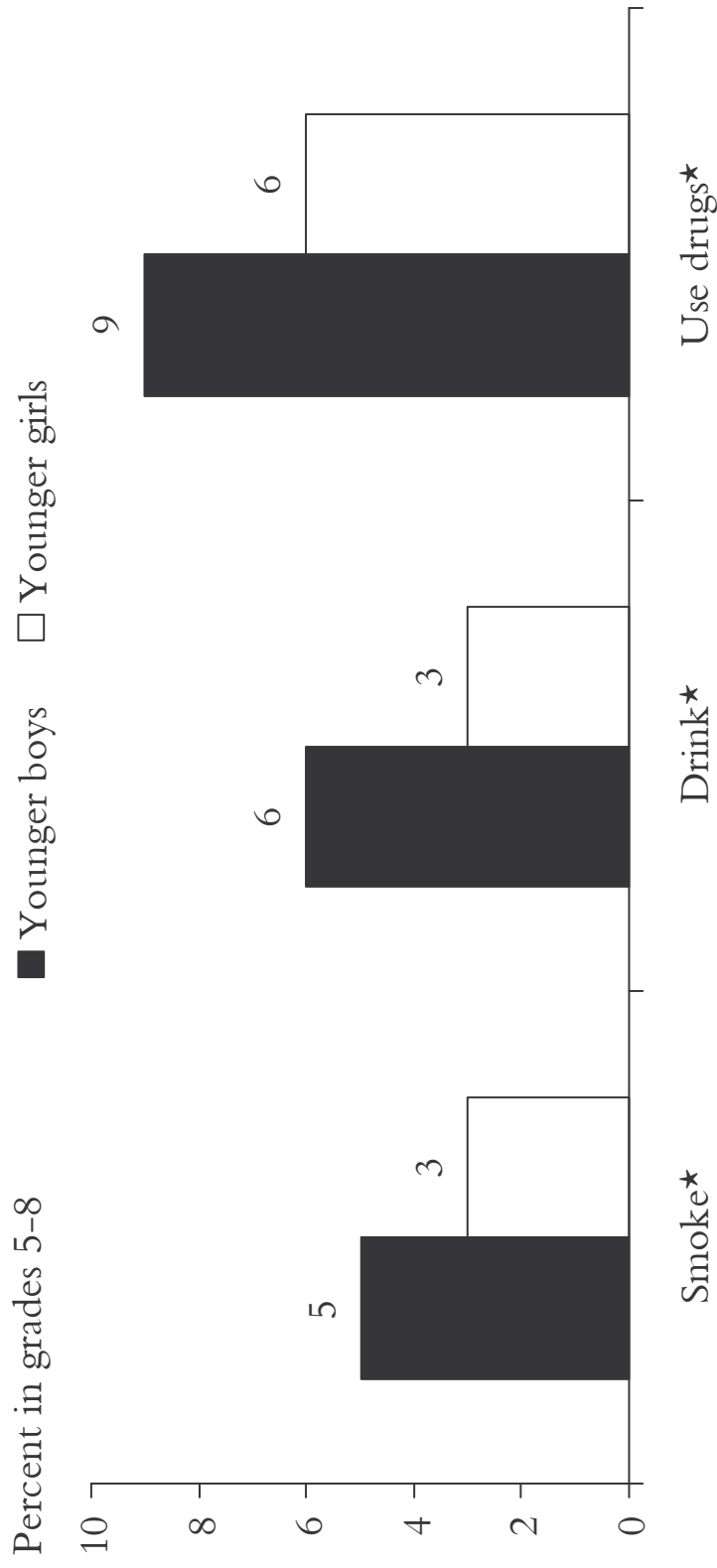
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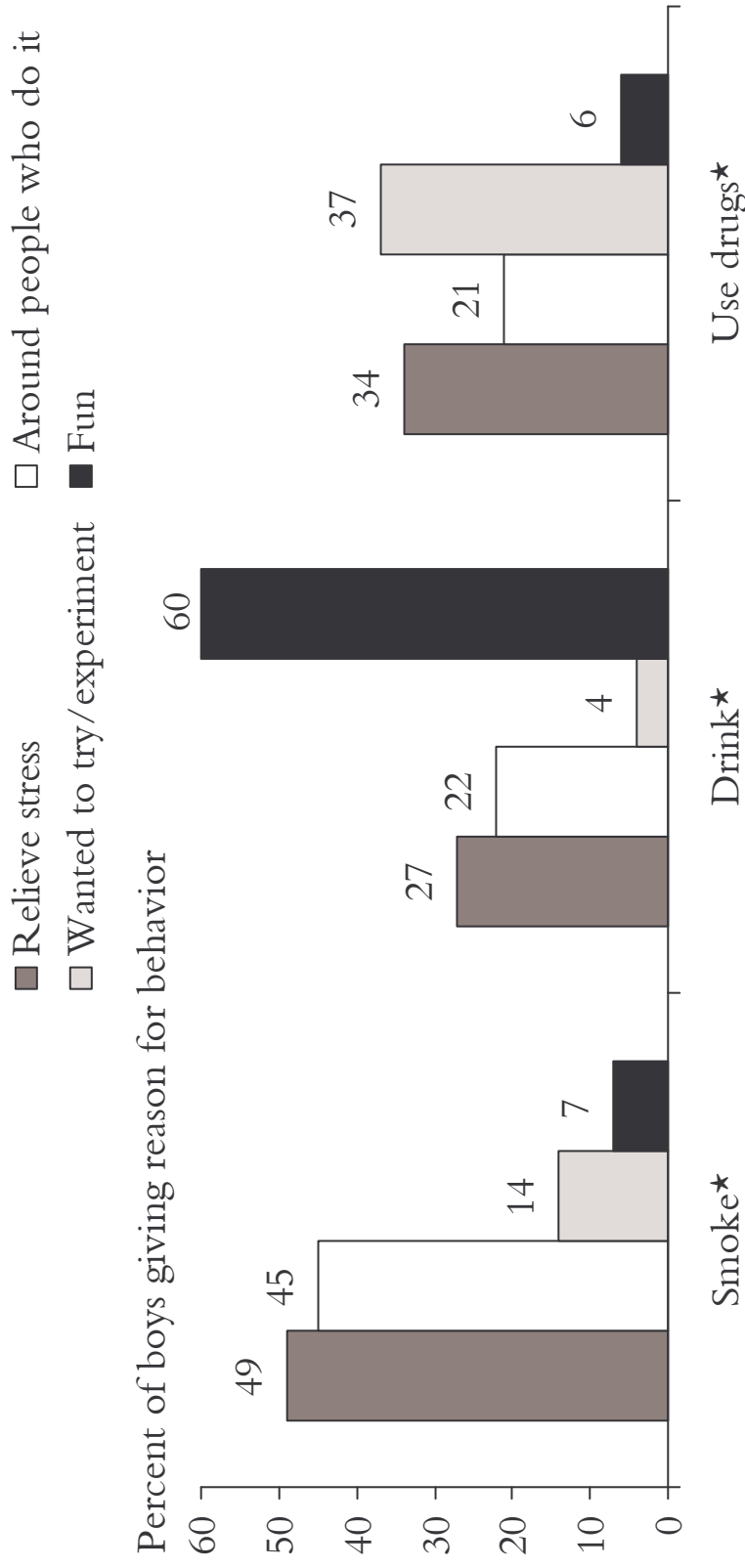
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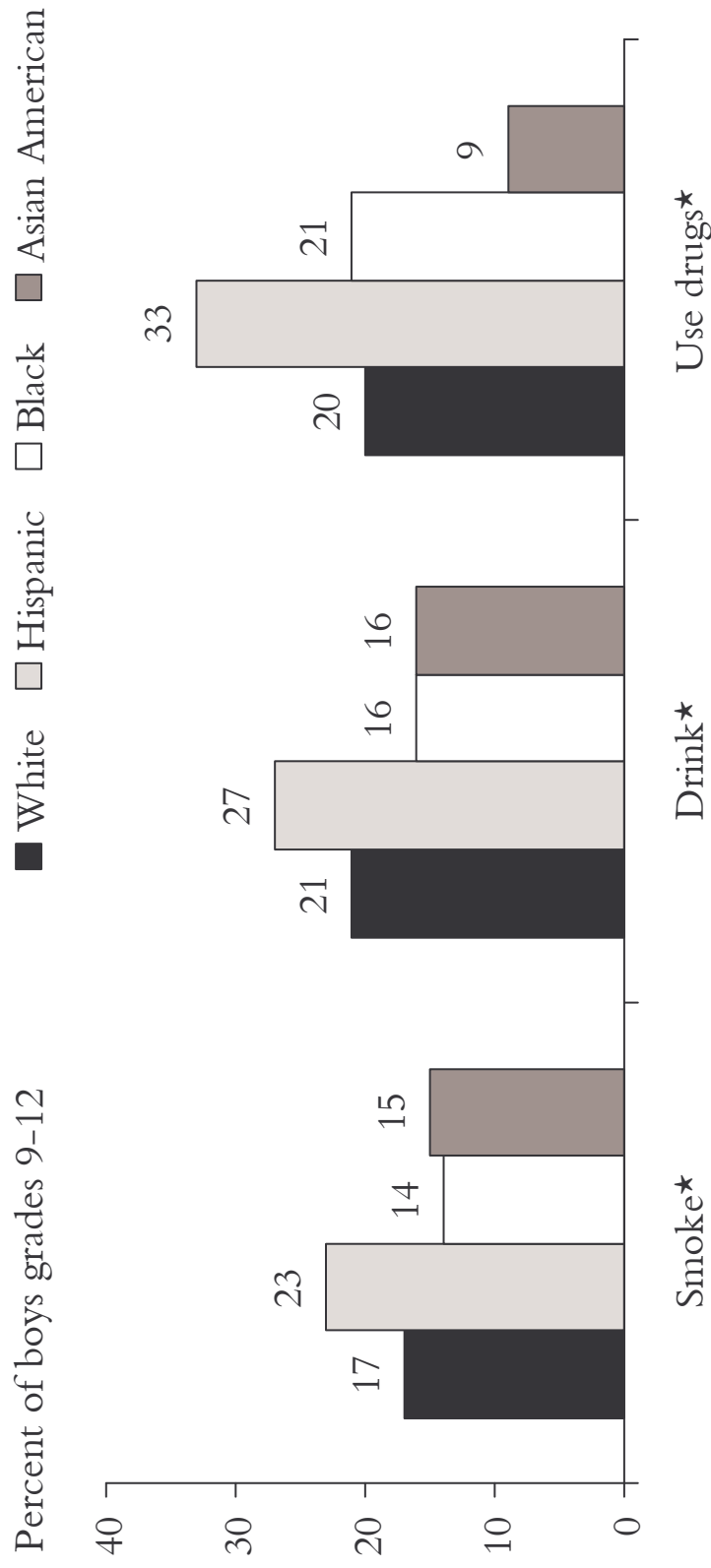
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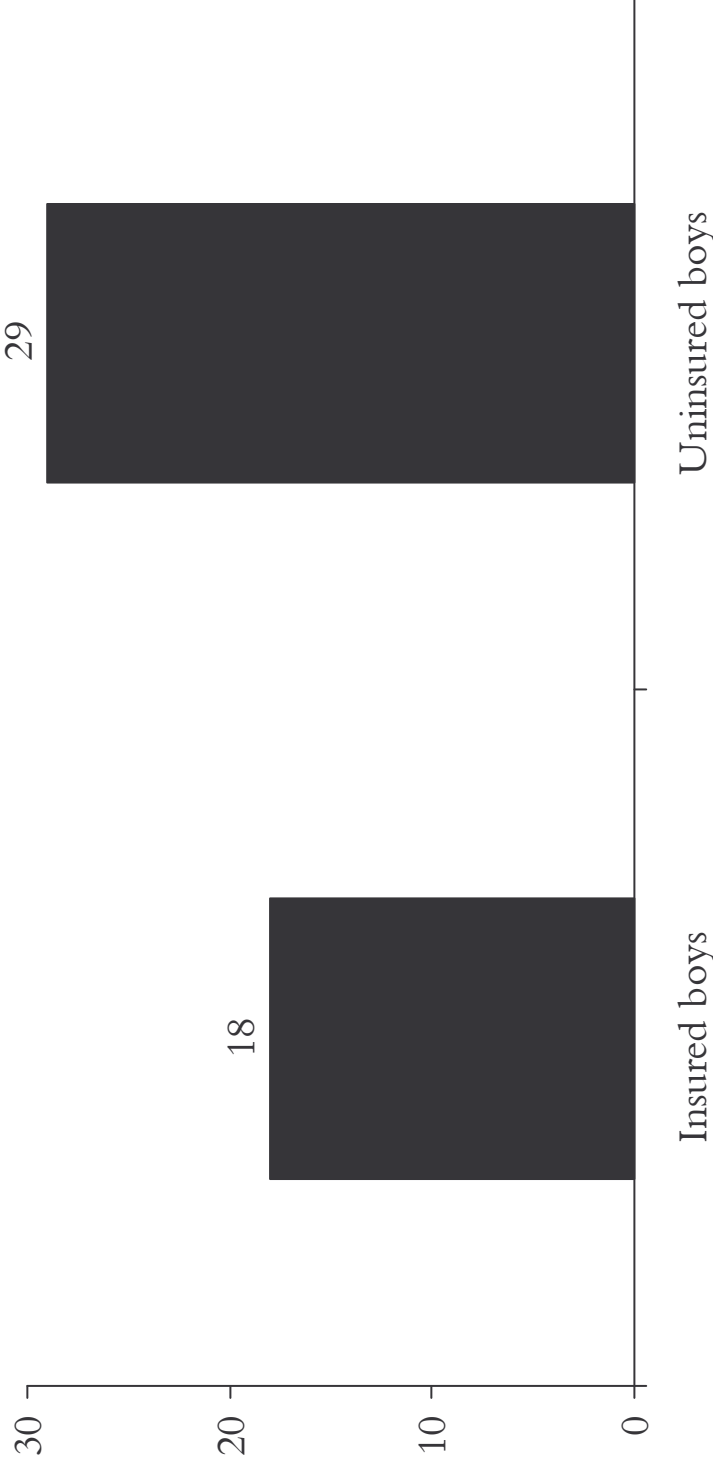


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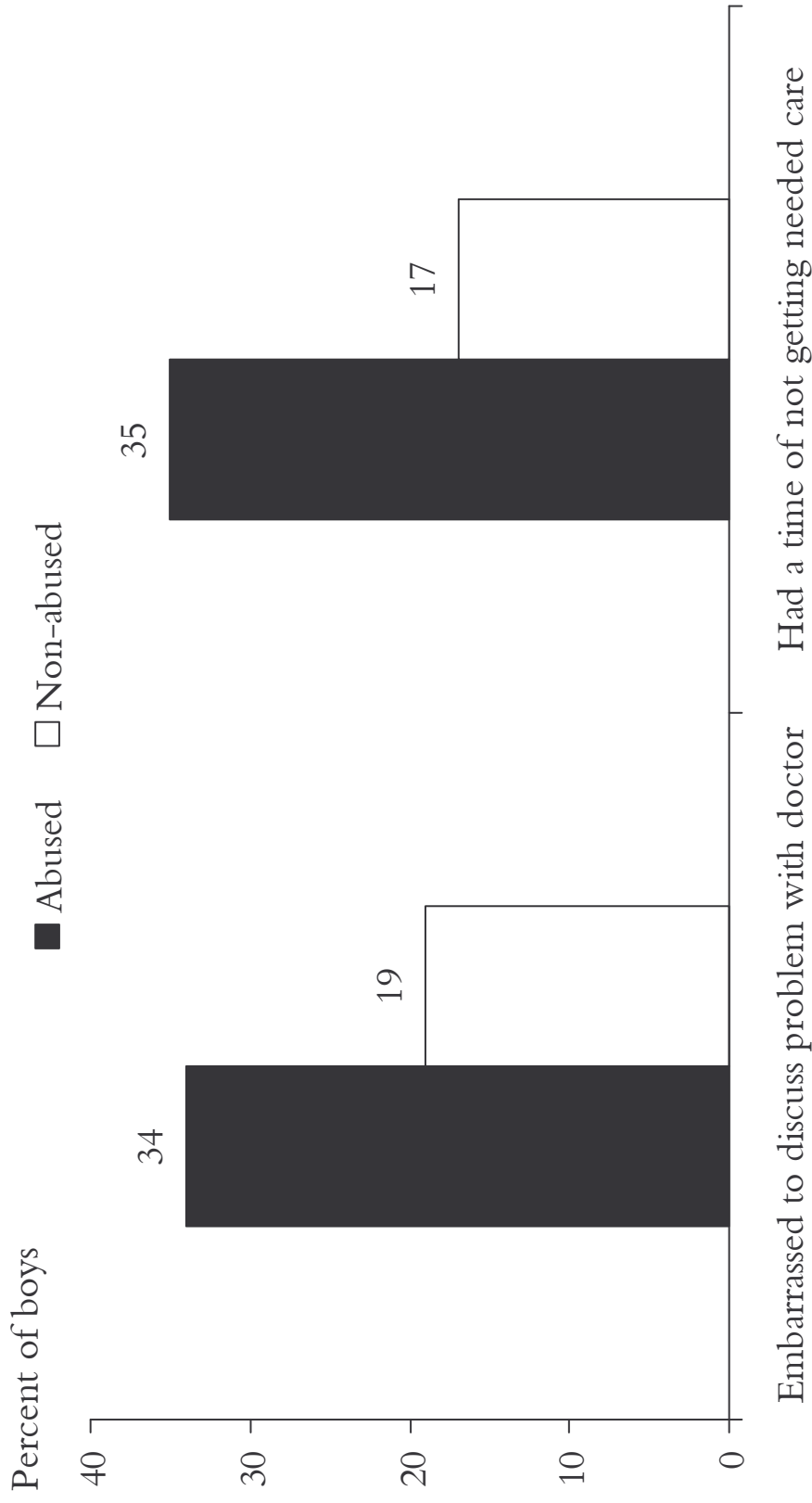
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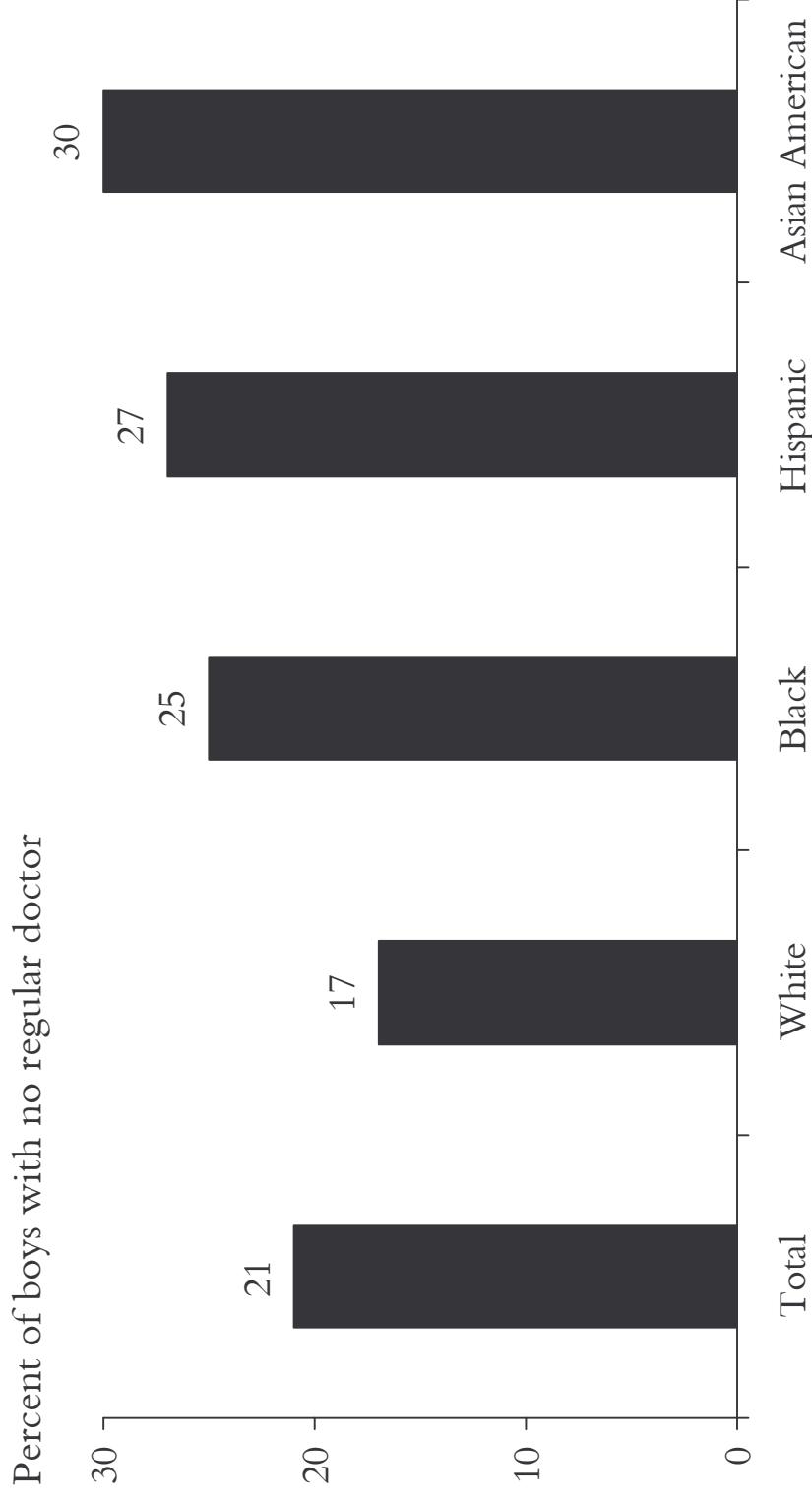
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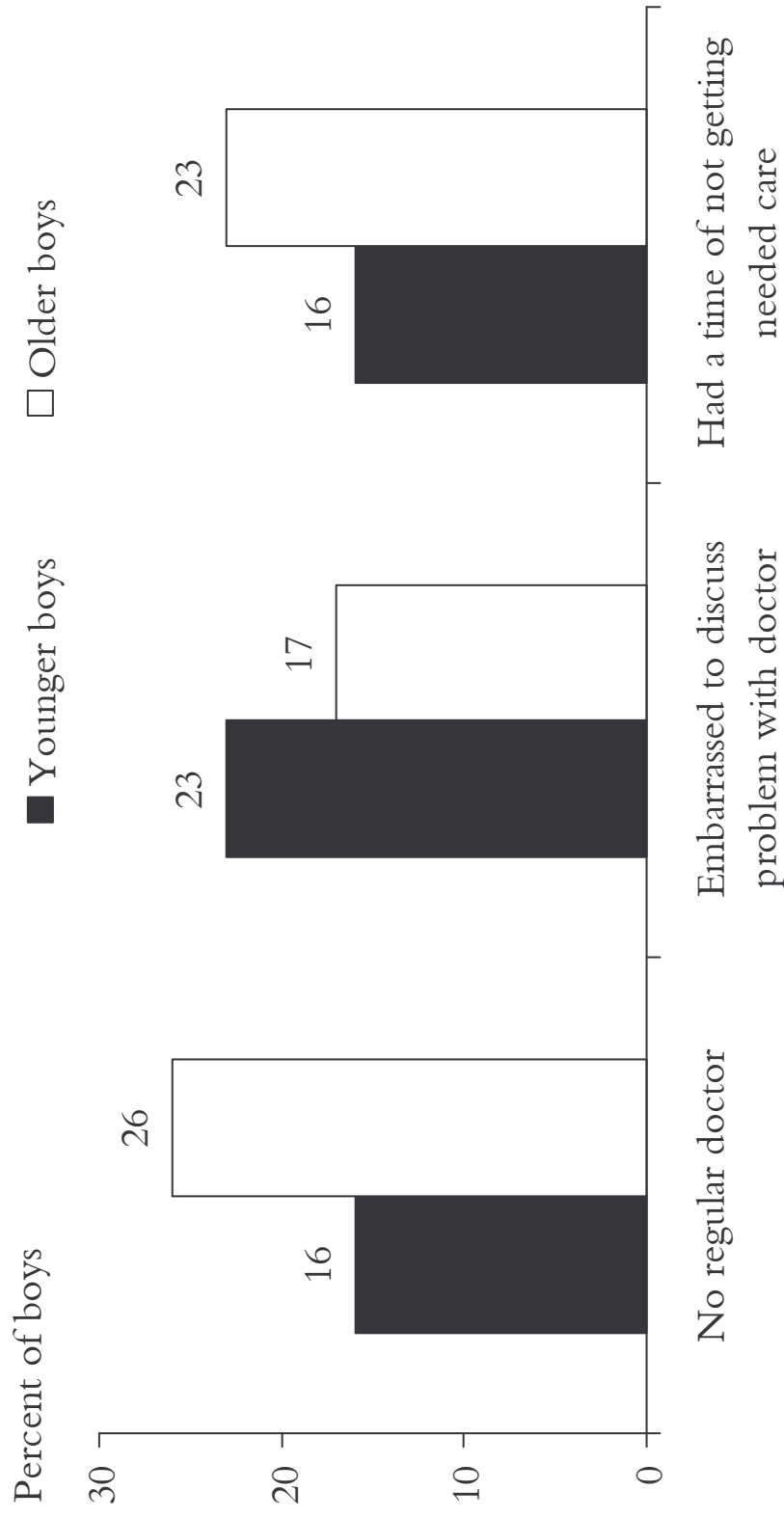
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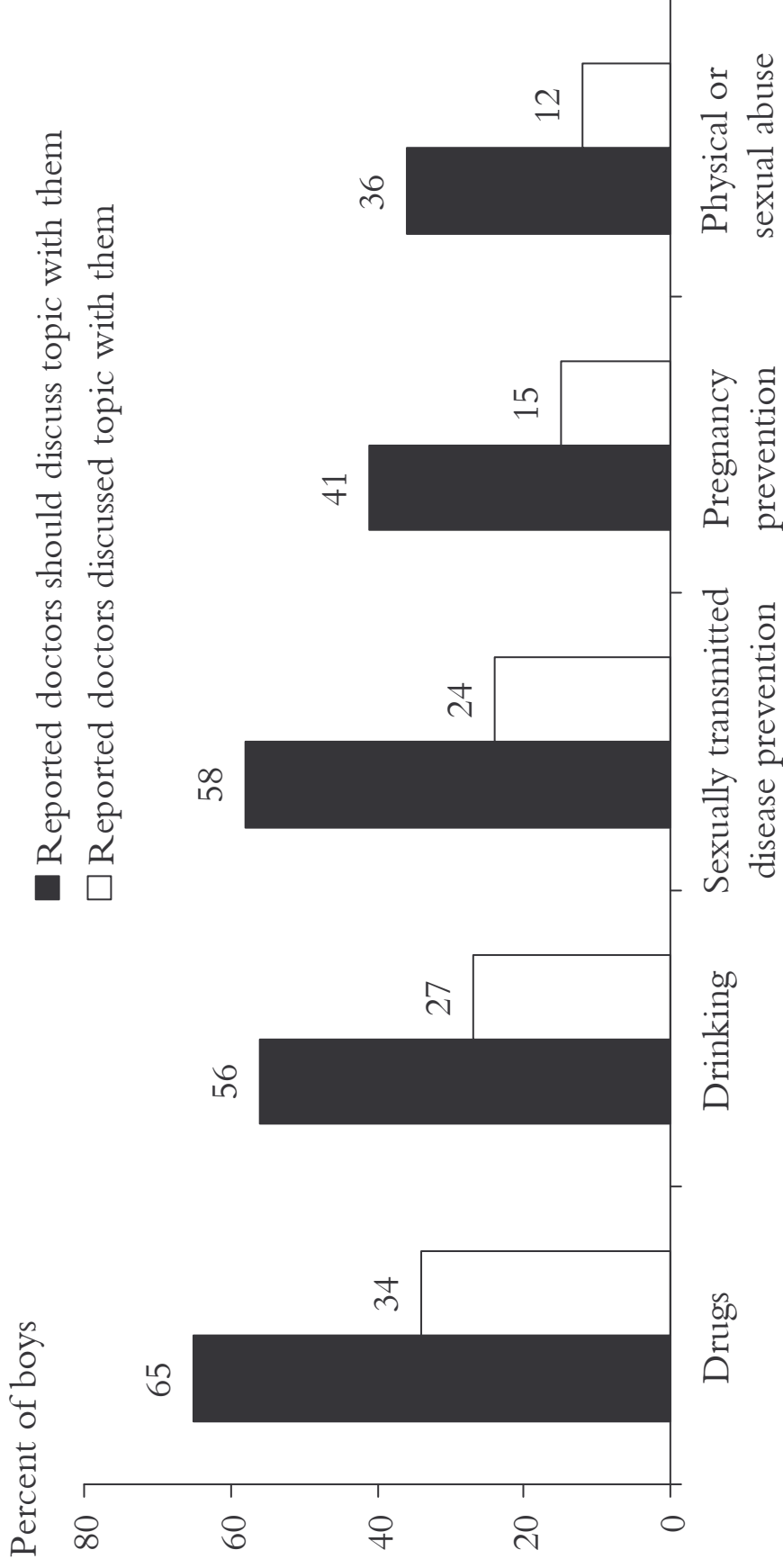
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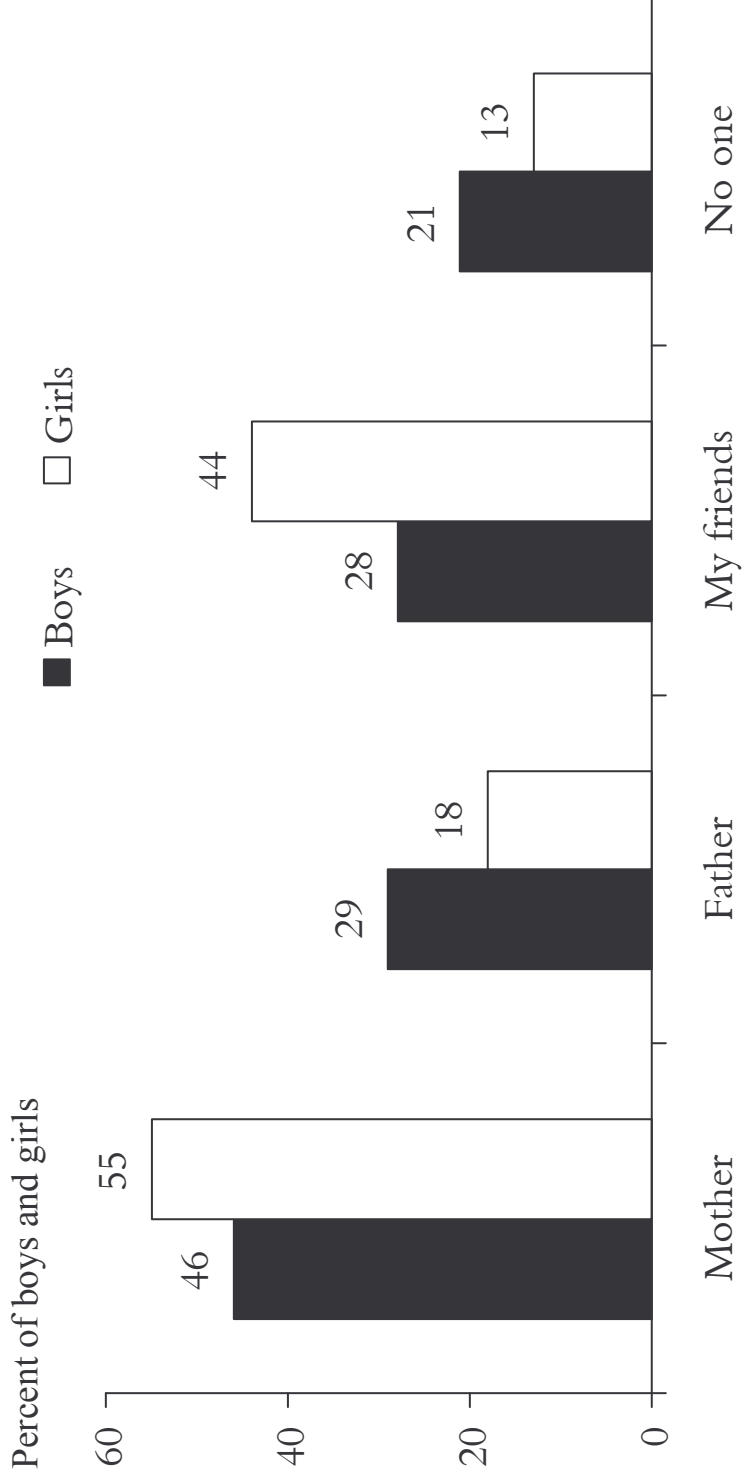
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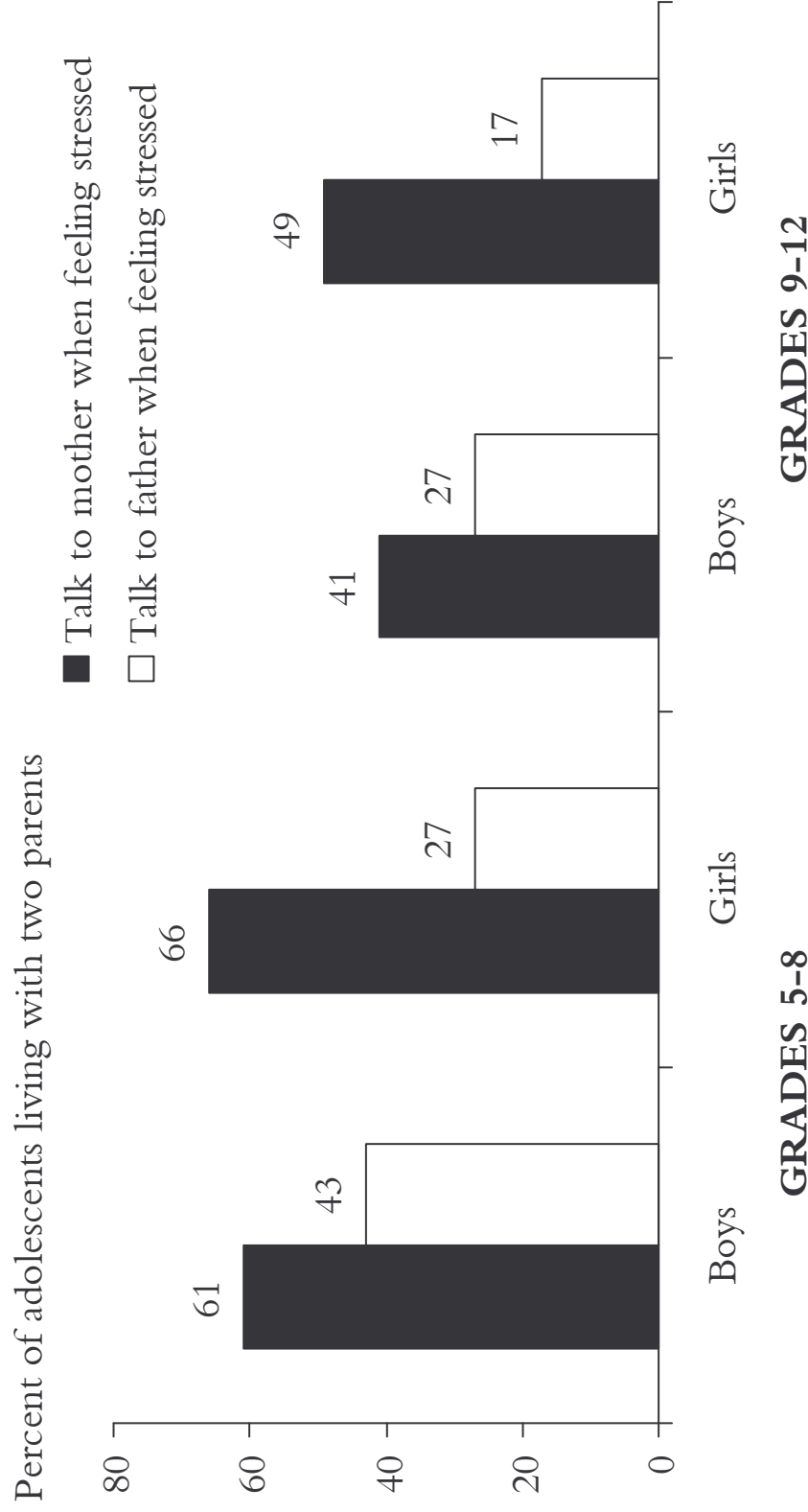
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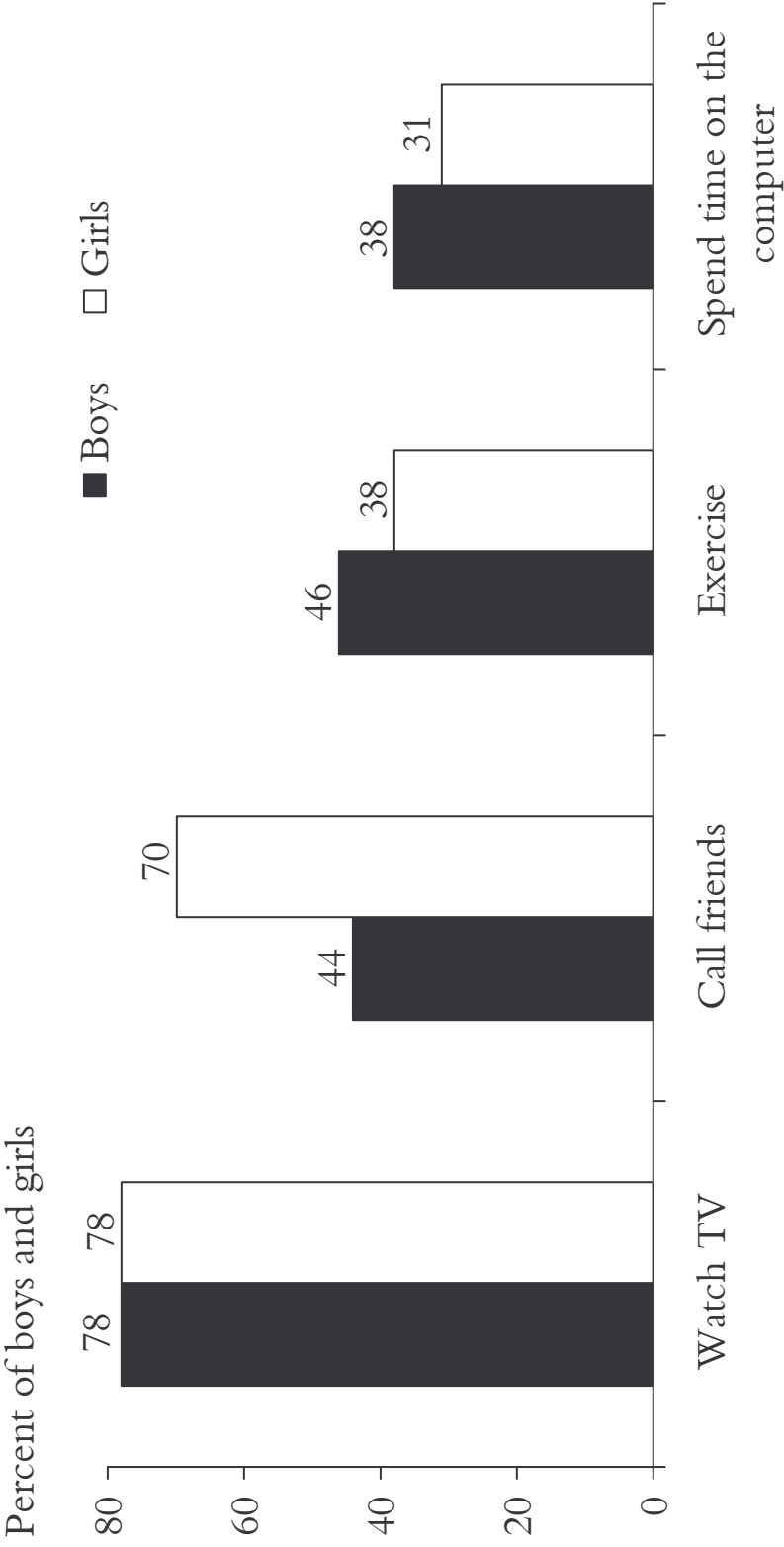
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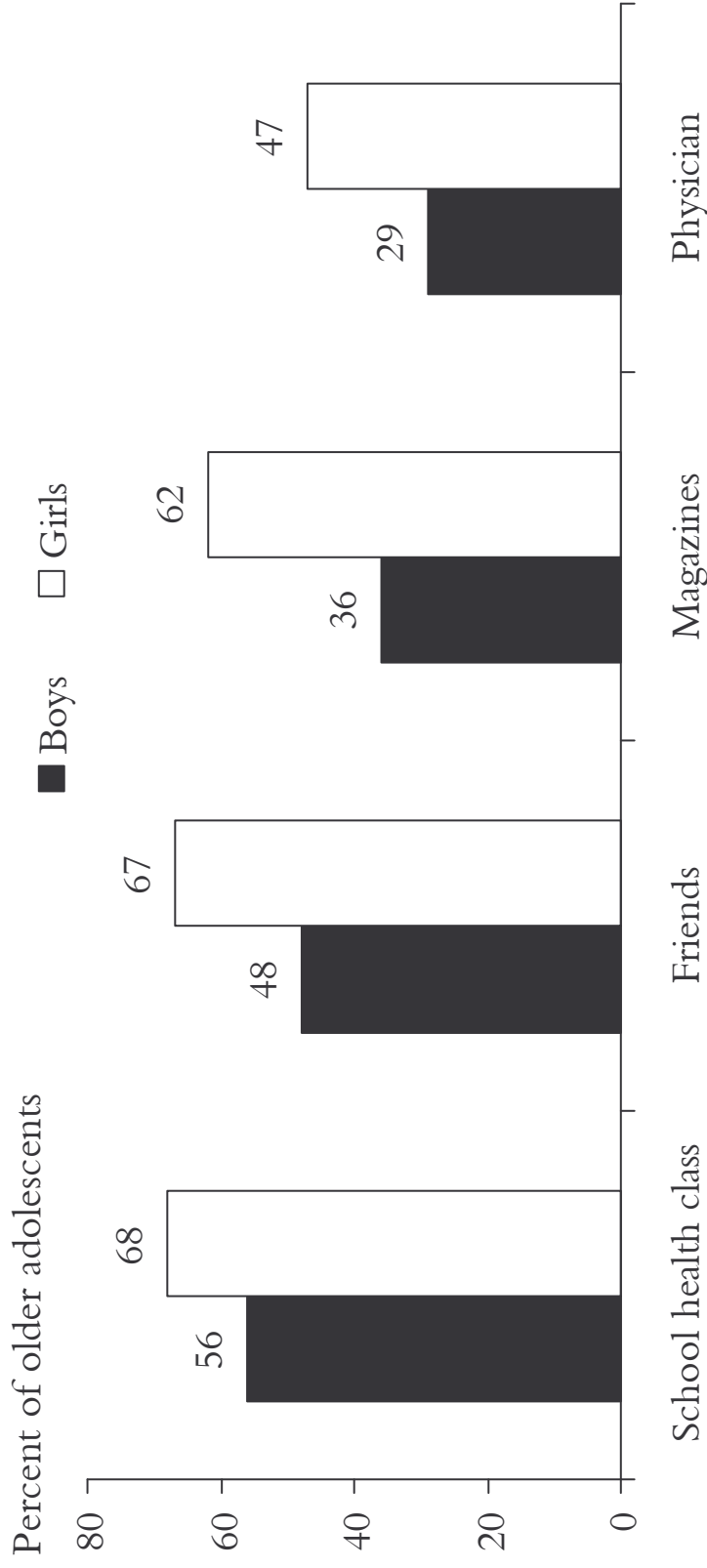
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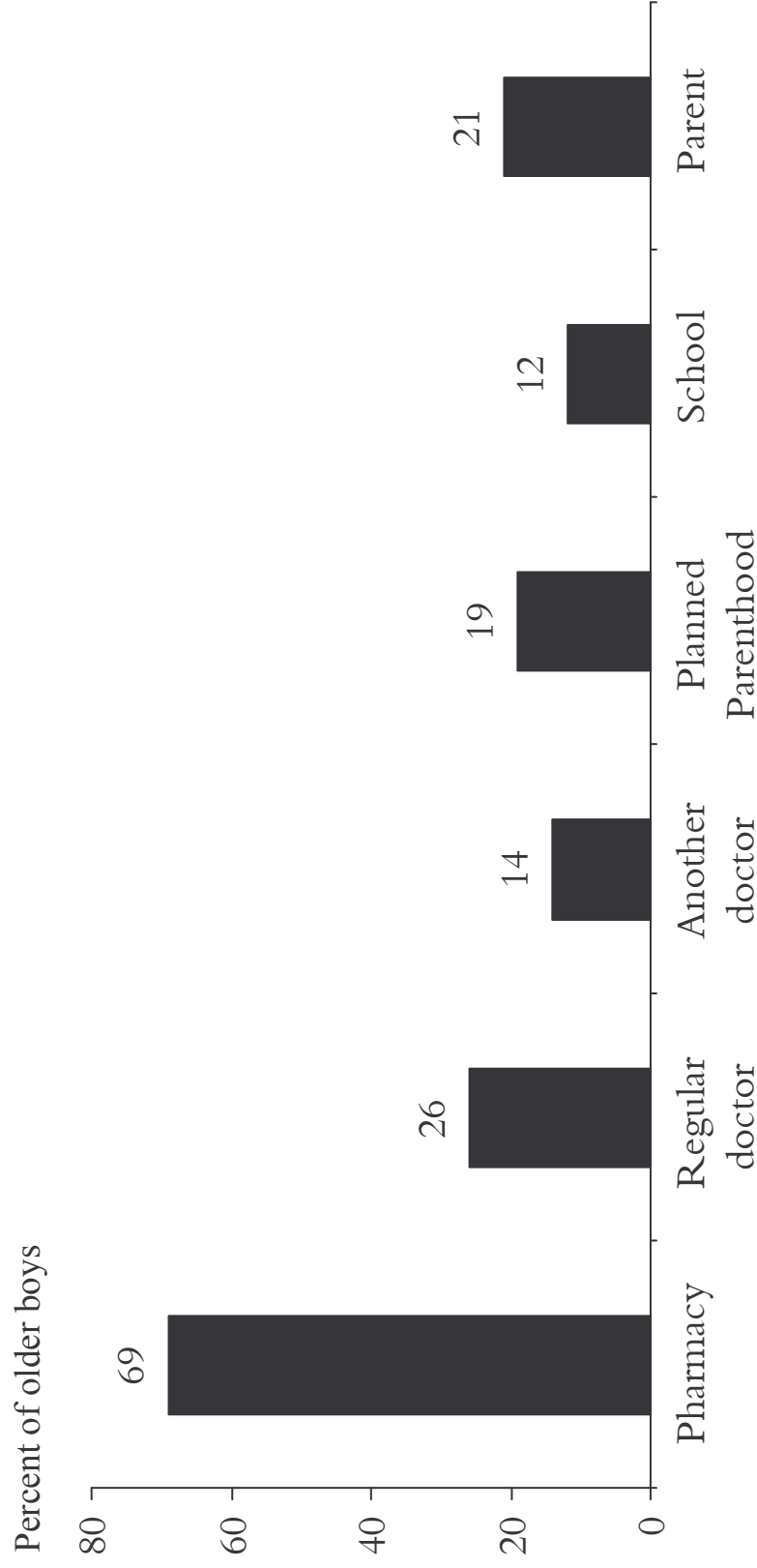
Older Boys and Girls Differ on Sources of Information About Birth Control



Where have you learned about birth control?

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Older Boys Would Use a Variety of Sources to Obtain Birth Control

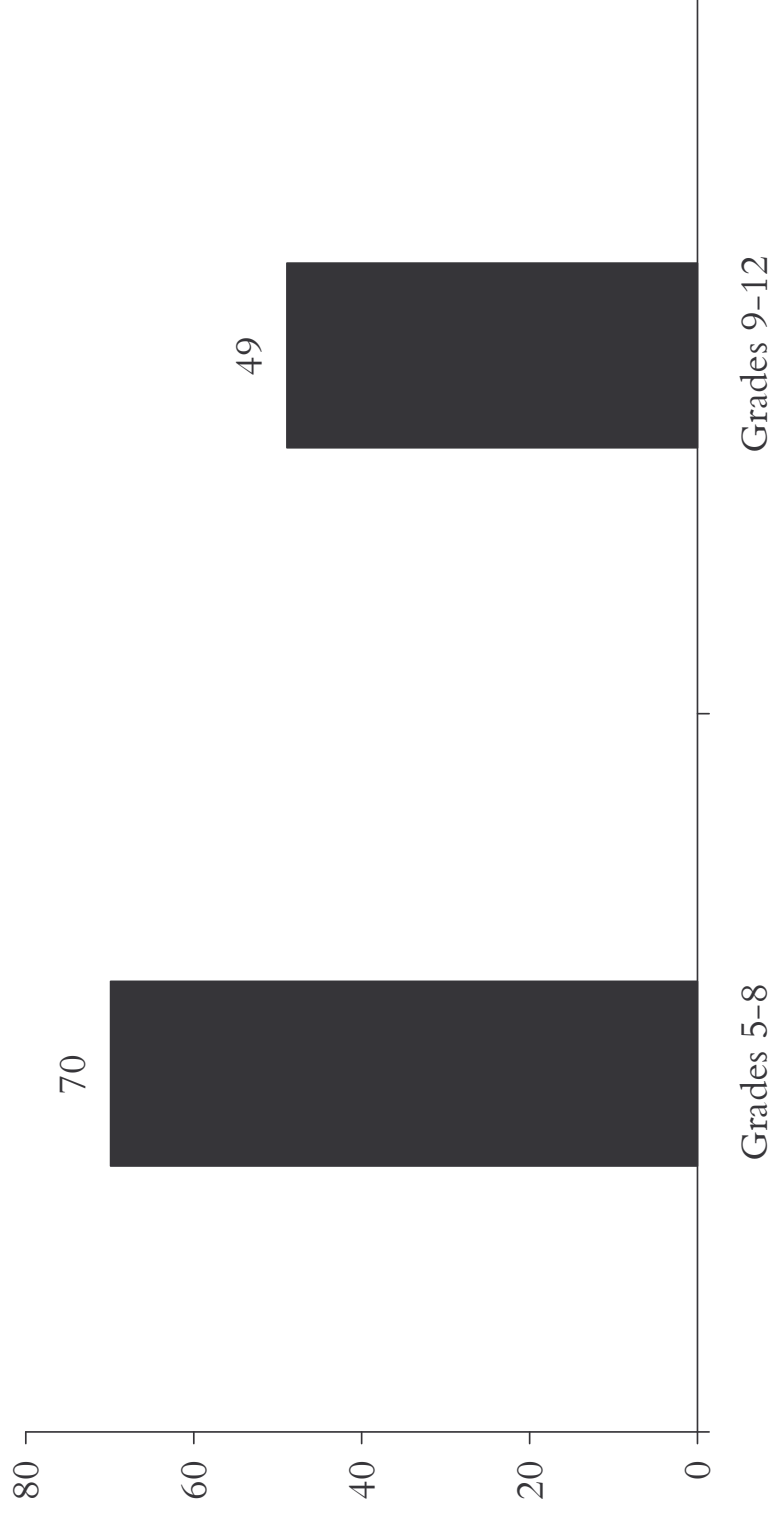


If you wanted to get condoms, spermicides, or birth control pills, where would you go?

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Boys' Attitudes Toward Sexual Behavior Change Over Time

Percent of boys saying it is "very or somewhat important" to "not have sex during my teen years"



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