



Crime & Criminal Justice in Chicago: Challenges for the New Mayor

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Man Shot Dead on Son's 6th Birthday



Albert Turnage, age 23



Lesean King, age 47



Earron Moore, age 25

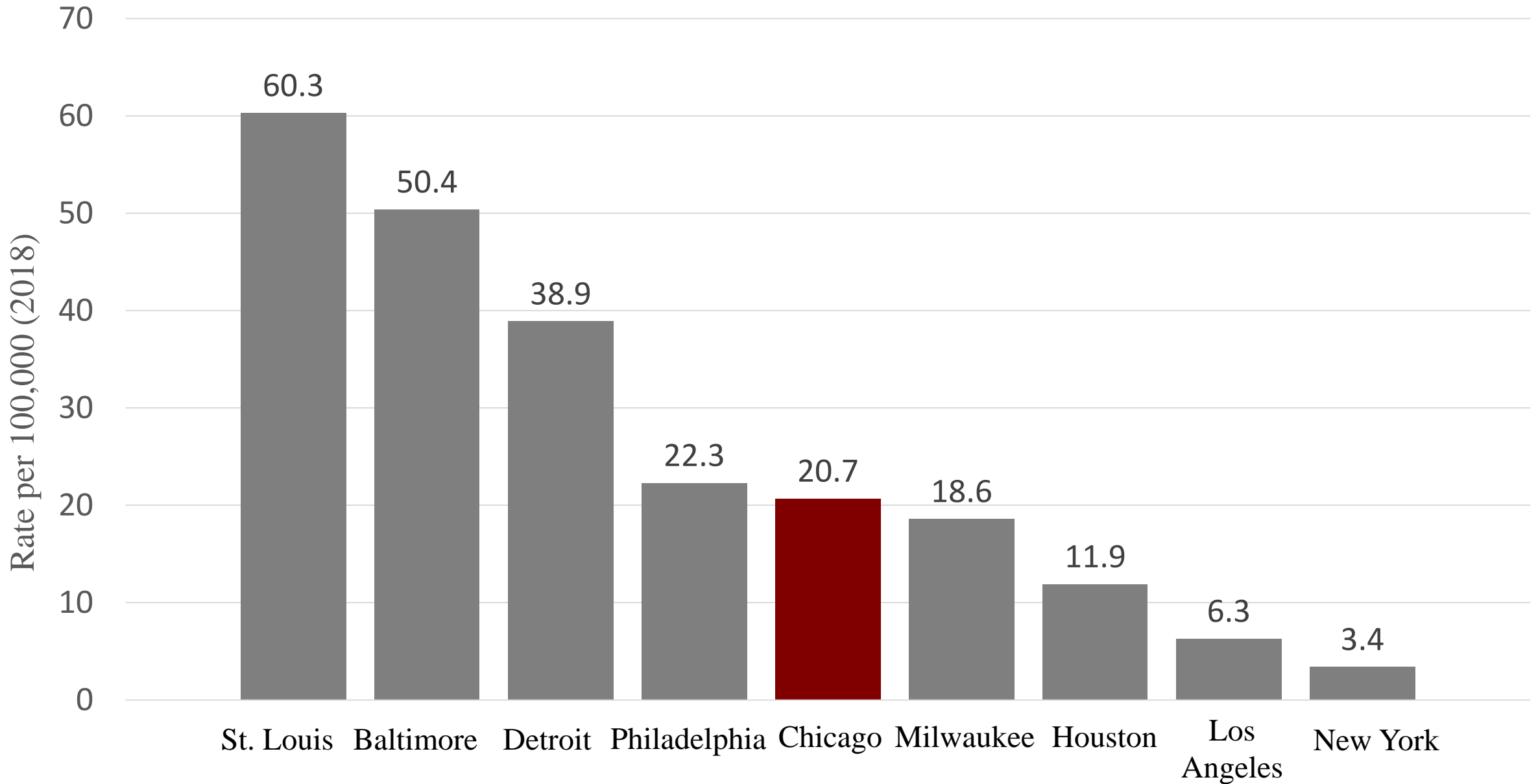


Danielle King
about a year ago

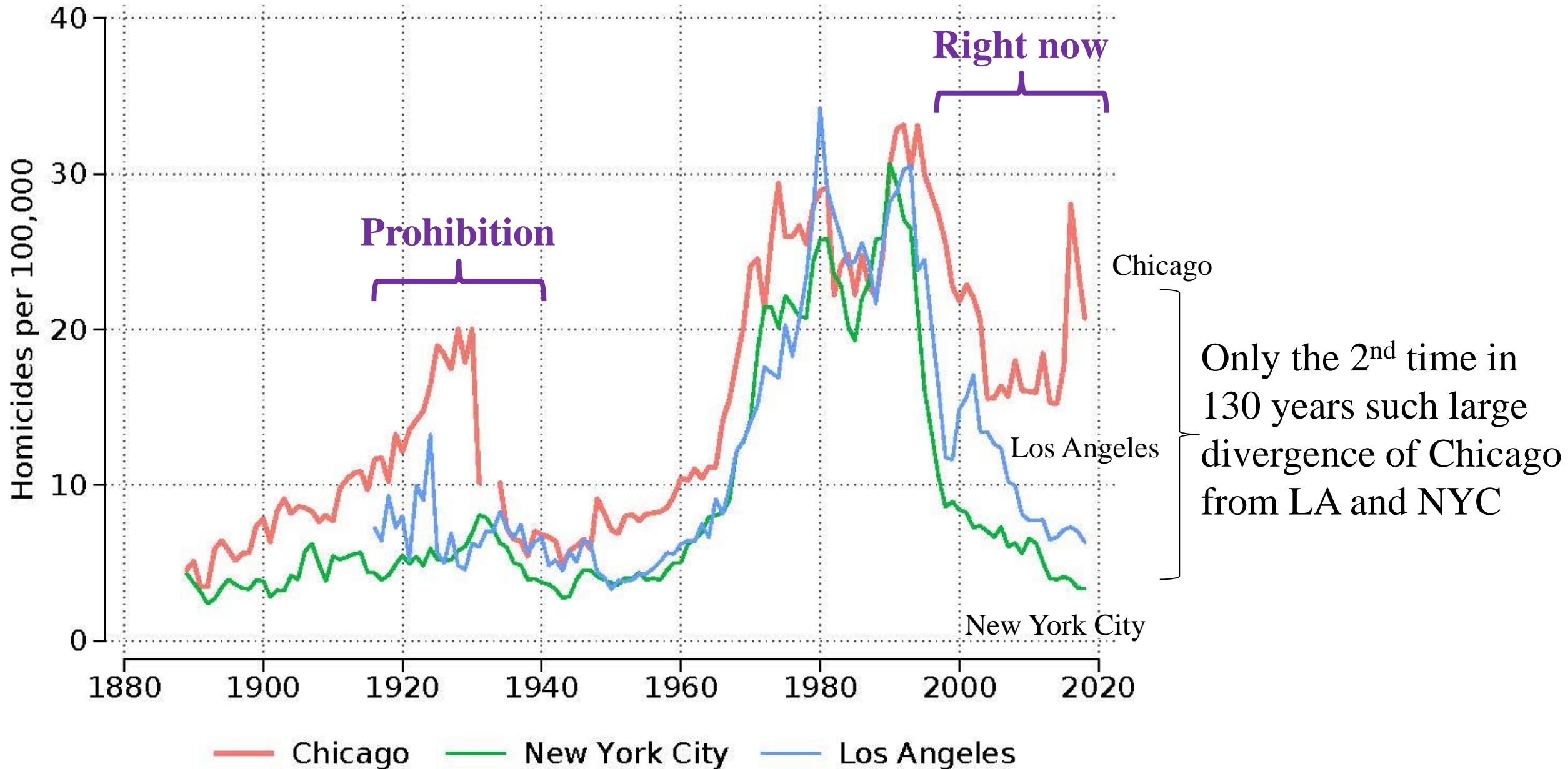


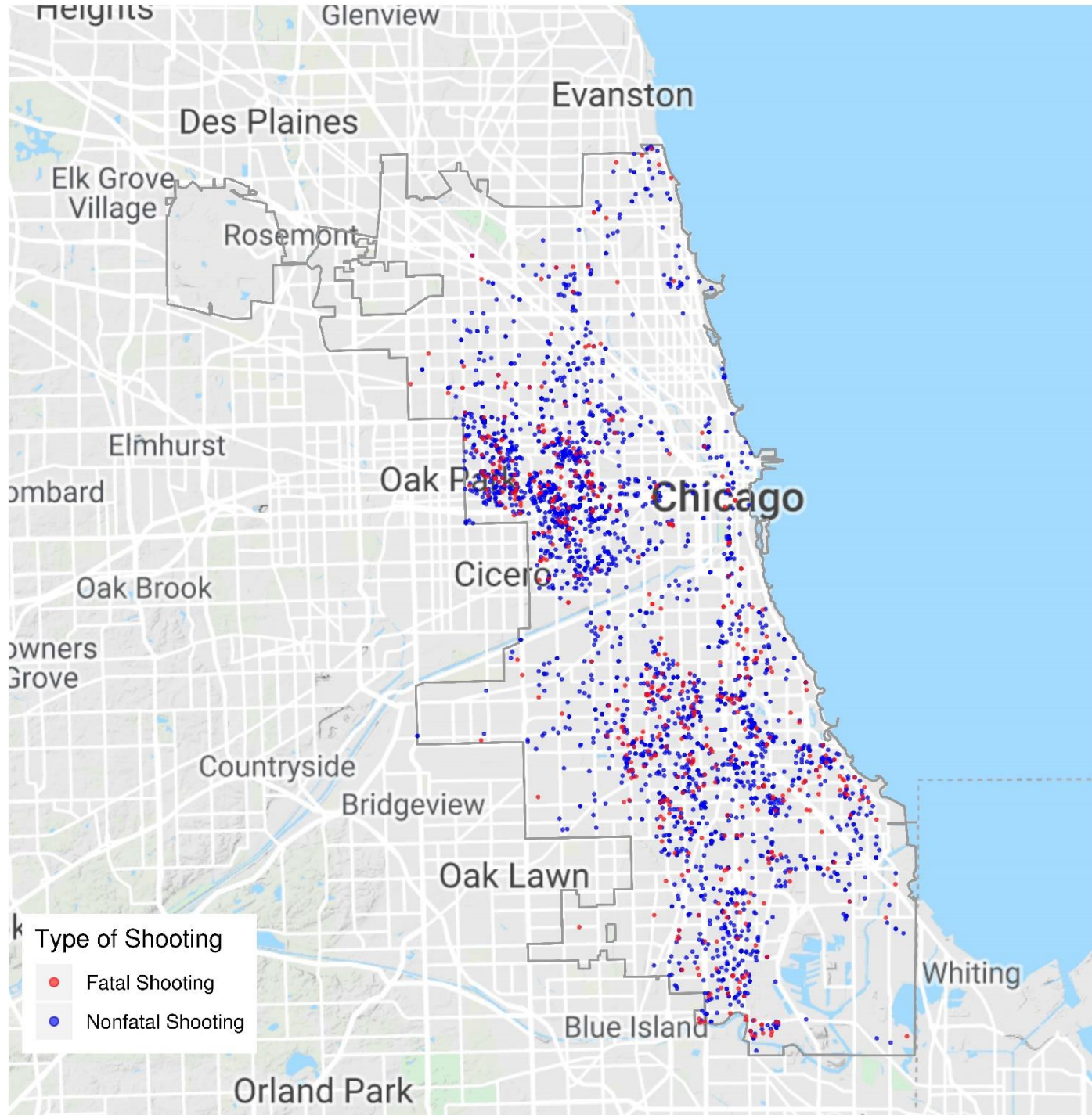
MY FATHER IS A MAN LIKE NO OTHER.HE GAVE ME LIFE NATURED ME,TAUGHT ME DRESSED ME FOUGHT FOR ME HELD ME SHOUTED AND ME KISSED ME BUT MOST OF ALL LOVED ME UNCONDITIONALLY THERE ARE NOT ENOUGH WORDS THAT CAN DESCRIBE JUST HOW IMPORTANT MY FATHER WAS TO ME
#DADDYILOVEYOU
#DADDIESLILGIRL... See More

This is a uniquely American problem



We're in an unusual time in history heading into this mayoral election

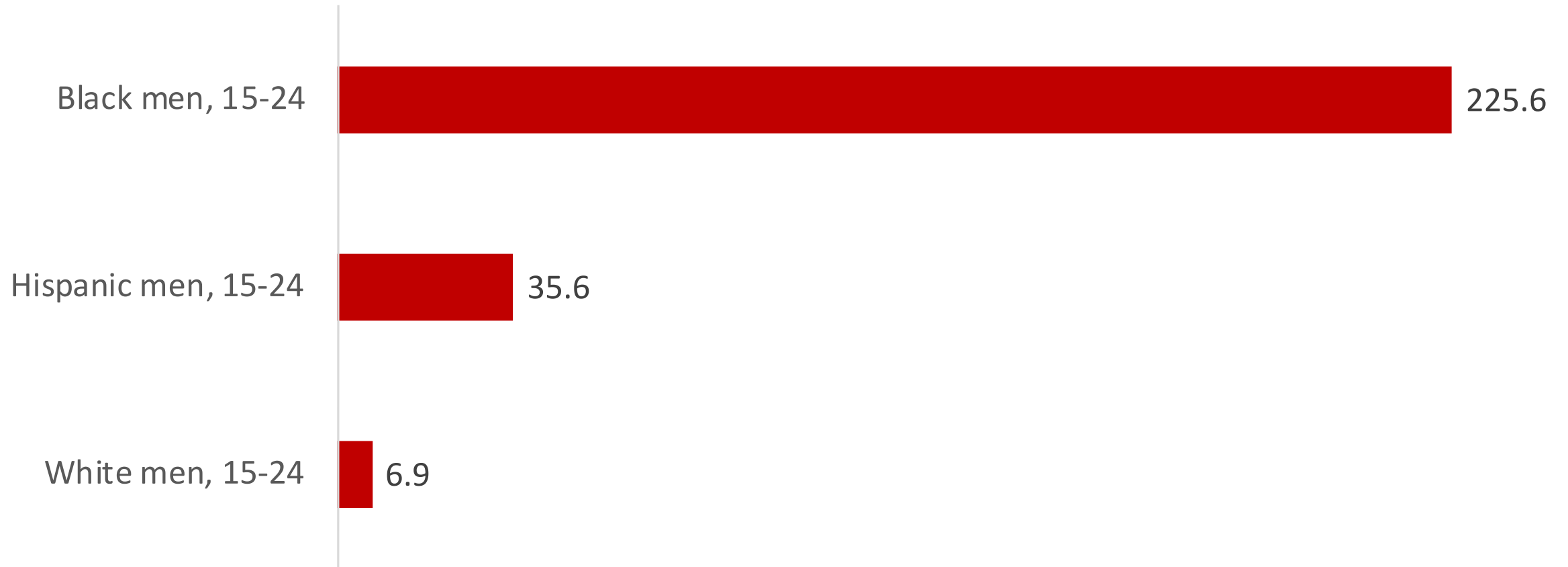




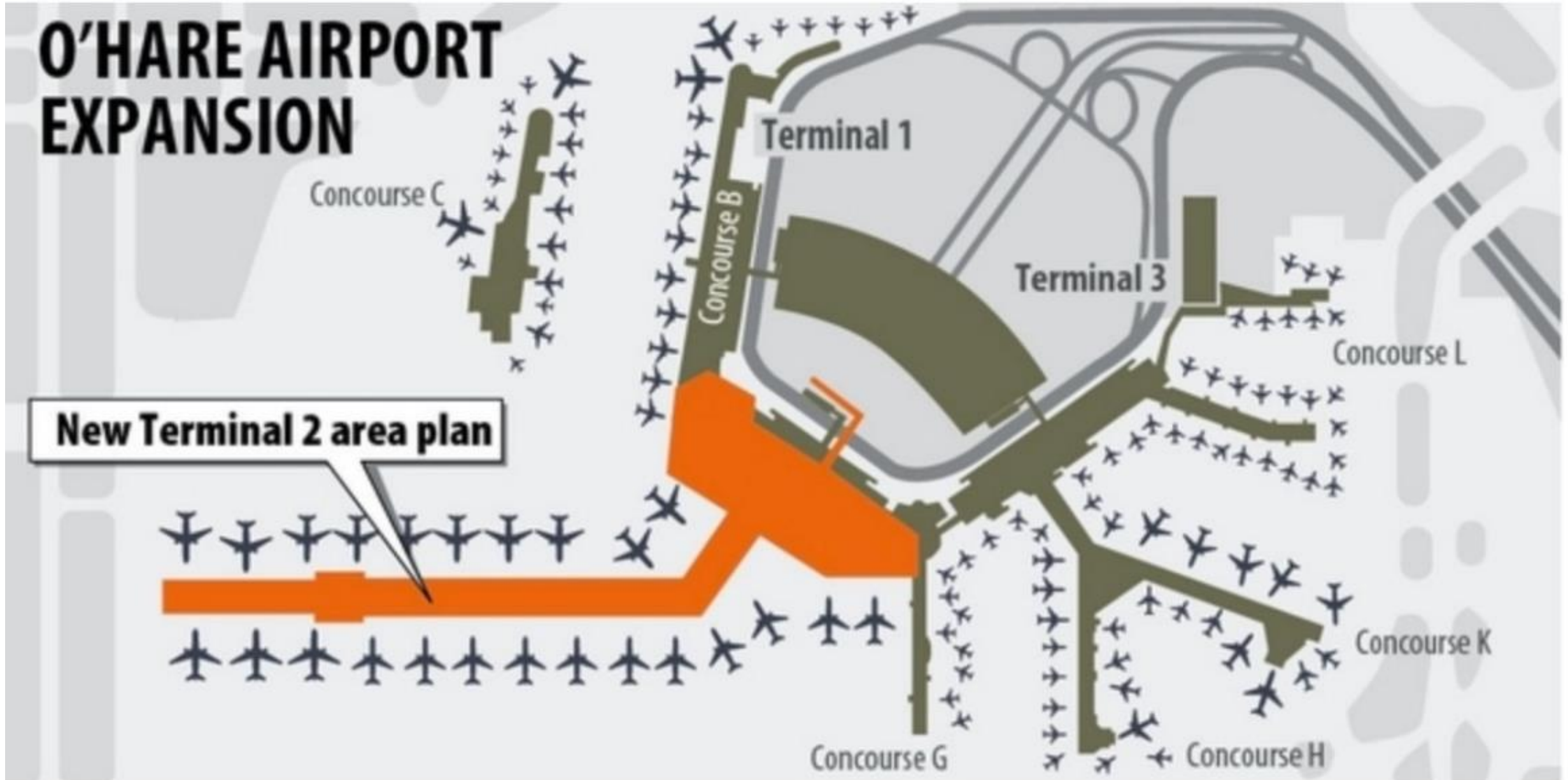
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Homicides per 100,000 (2018)



What's so weird about the current conversation



Solutions

Menu of evidence-based solutions to choose from:

- Increased school funding
- Targeted social services
- Jobs for teens
- Strengthened law enforcement

“Root causes”

What would serious solutions cost?



Well into the 9 figures

For targeted social services, for instance, assume \$30K / participant, assume reduced violence involvement by 50%
Evans & Owens 2007 *J Pub E* suggests 10% increase in PD budget reduces homicides by 10%

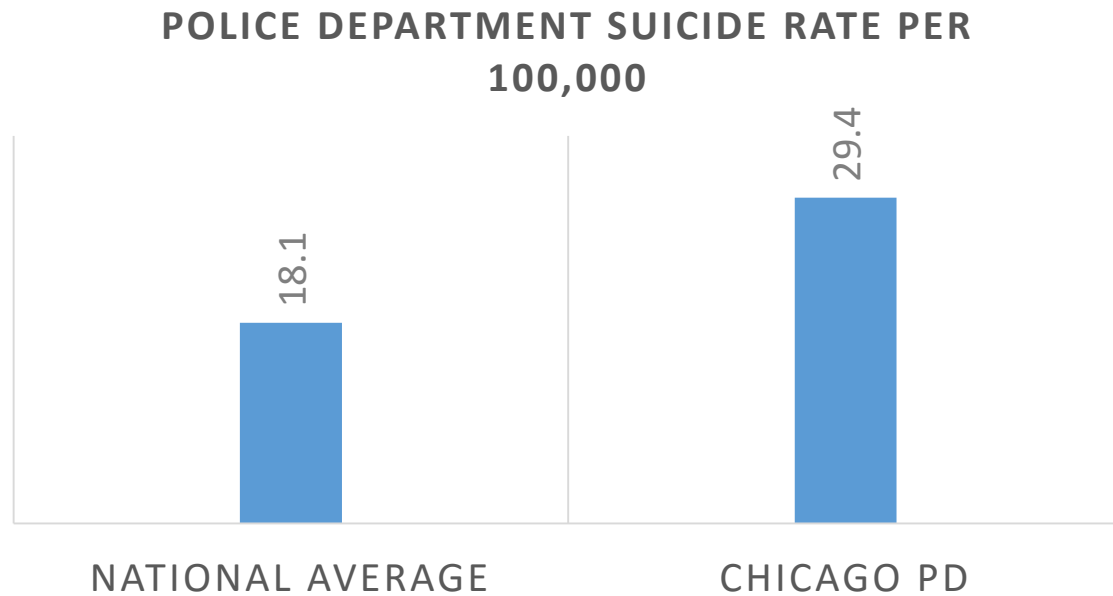
Here's another (related) criminal justice priority that will also require additional resources

Resources also required for Chicago PD consent decree

Investigation of the Chicago Police Department

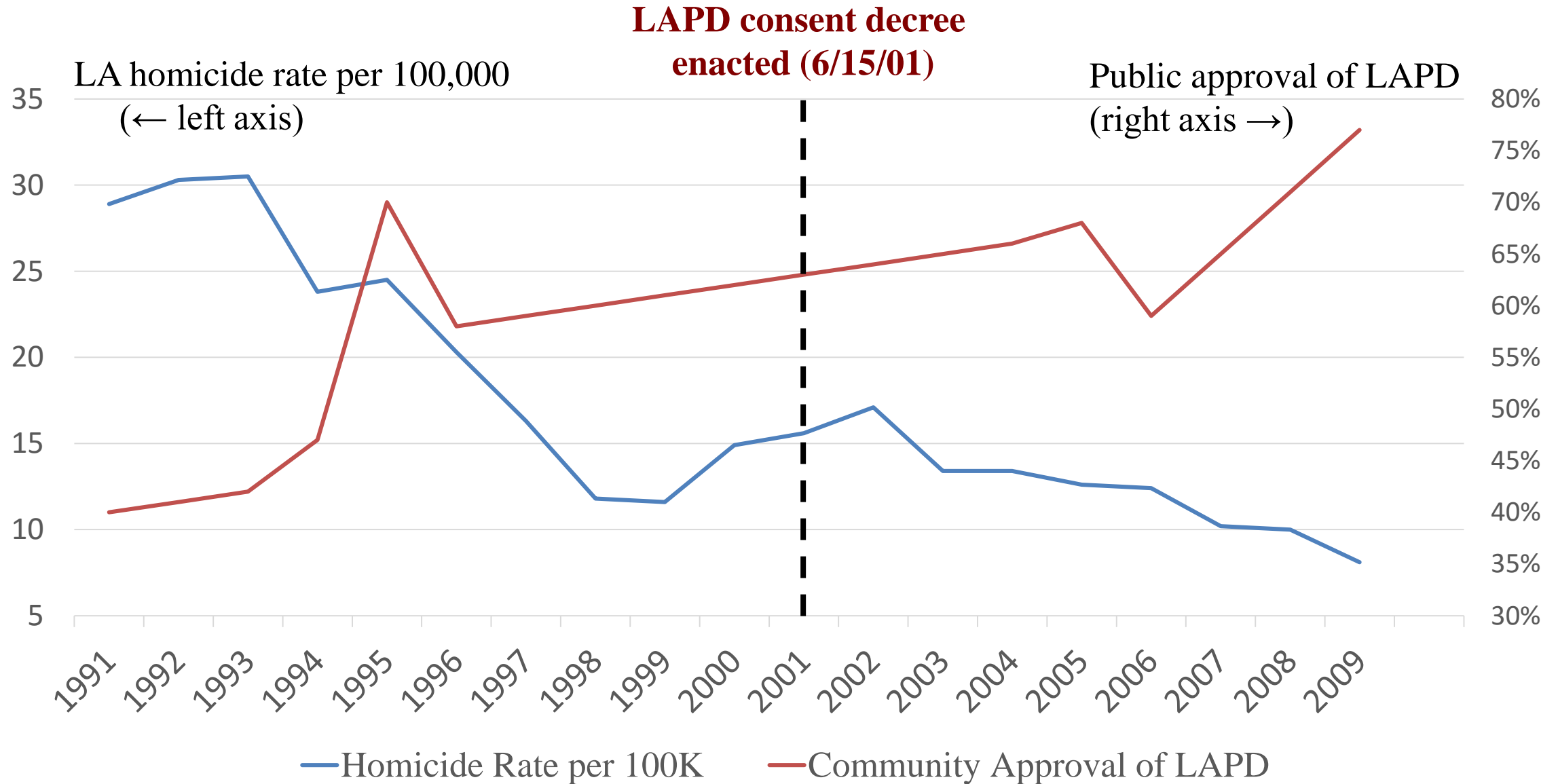


With Monitor In Place, Consent Decree To Overhaul Chicago Police Department Takes Effect



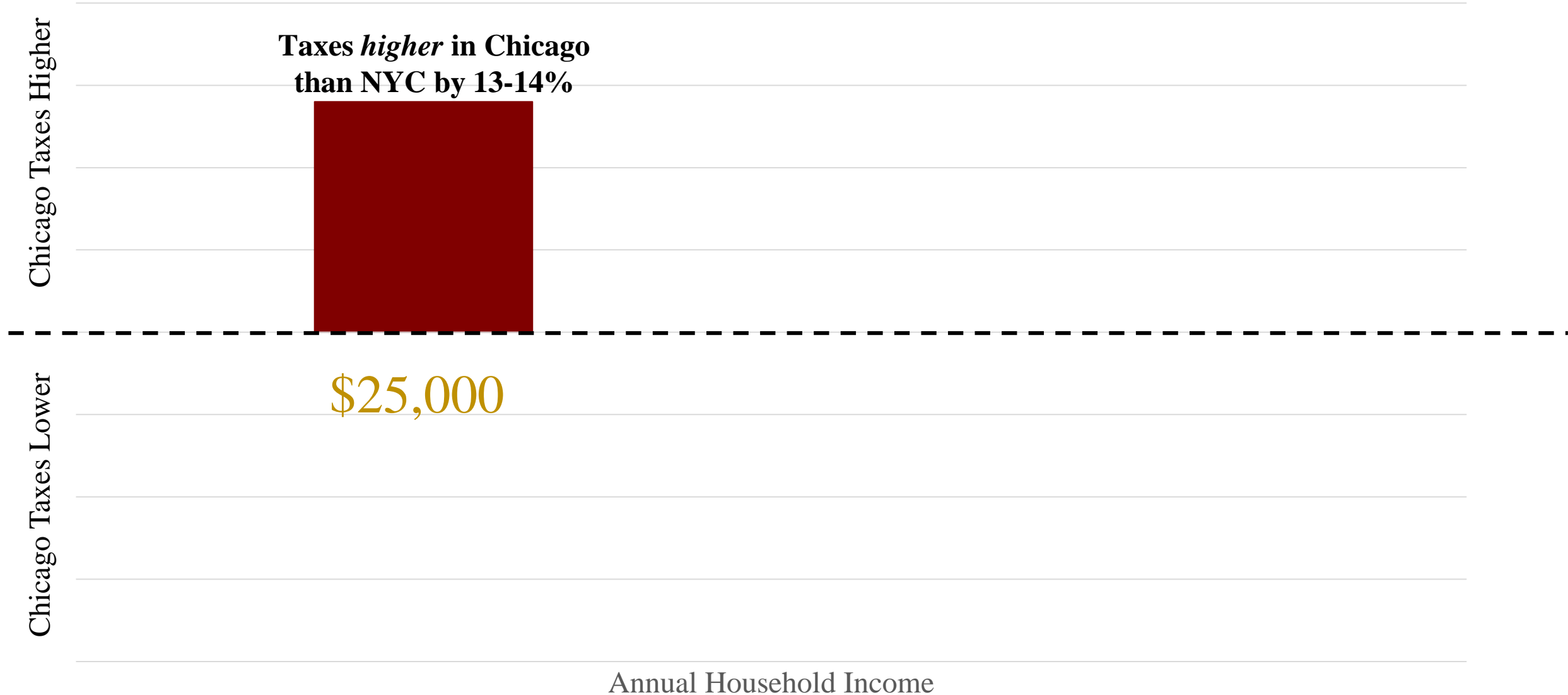
- More supervisors
- More training
- More mental health supports
- More investigators for citizen complaints

LA shows: *possible* to ↓ crime while ↑ police-community ties

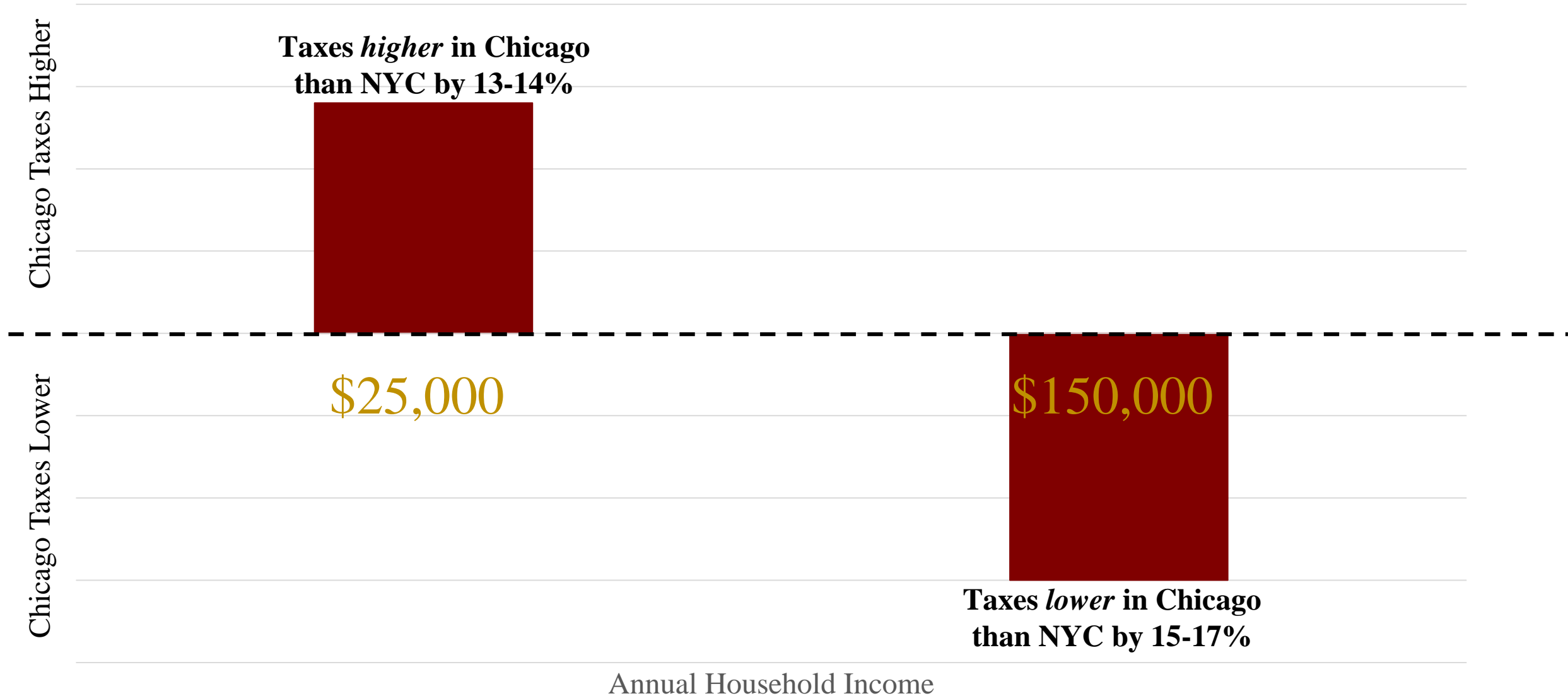


Can we afford to do this?

Tax burden in Chicago compared to NYC for households at different income levels



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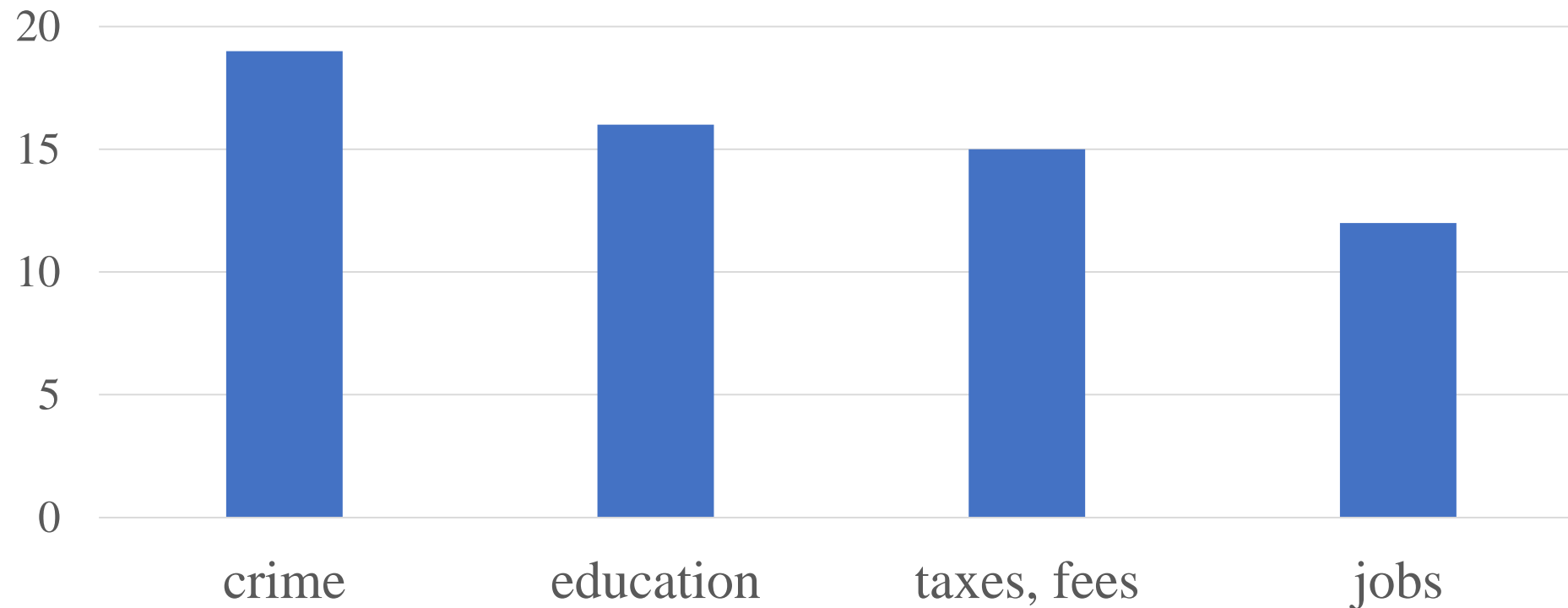
Can we afford *not* to do this?

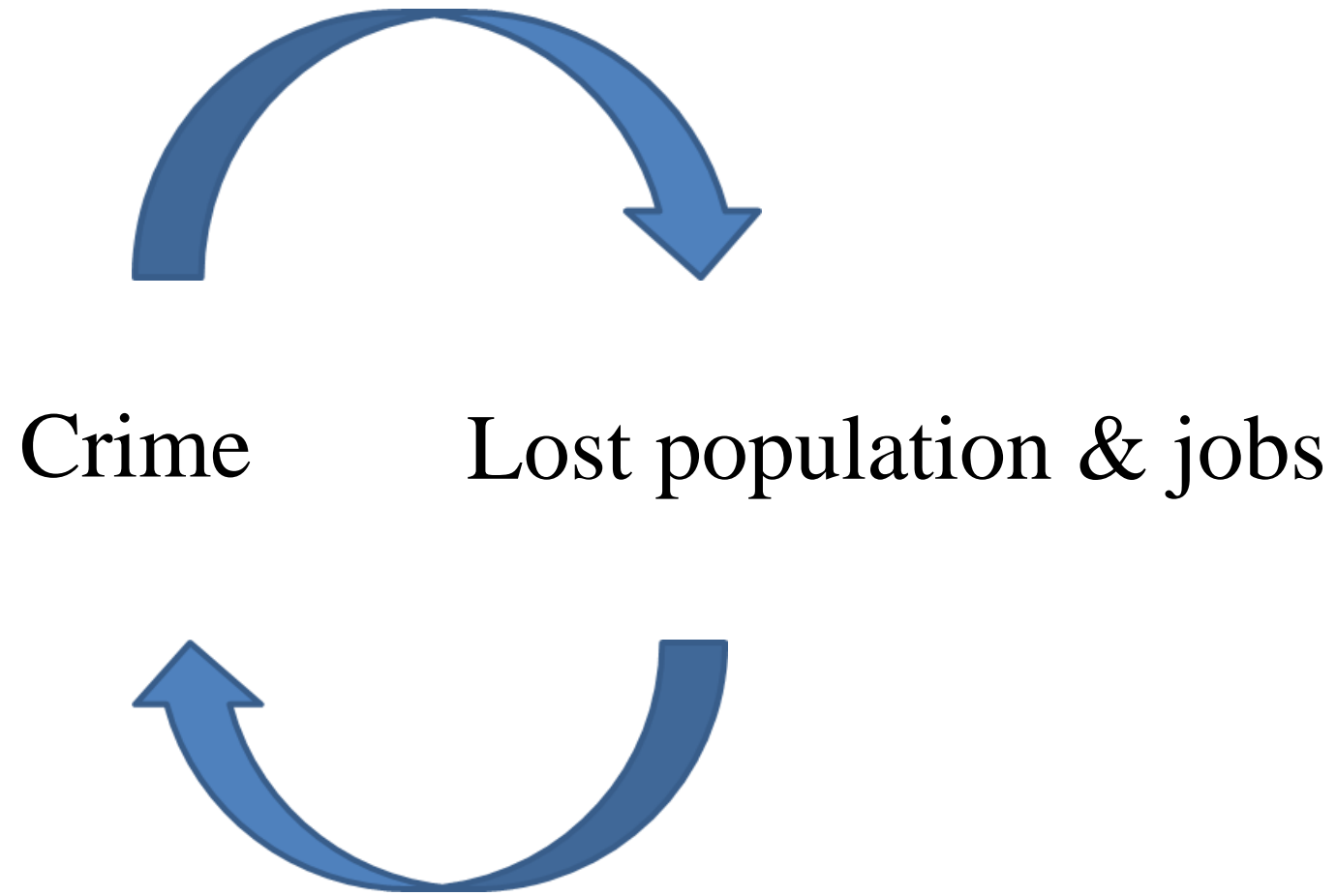


Financial issues, crime top voters' list of concerns in mayoral race

WGN-TV · 2 days ago

Public survey: Most important problem facing Chicago





Crime

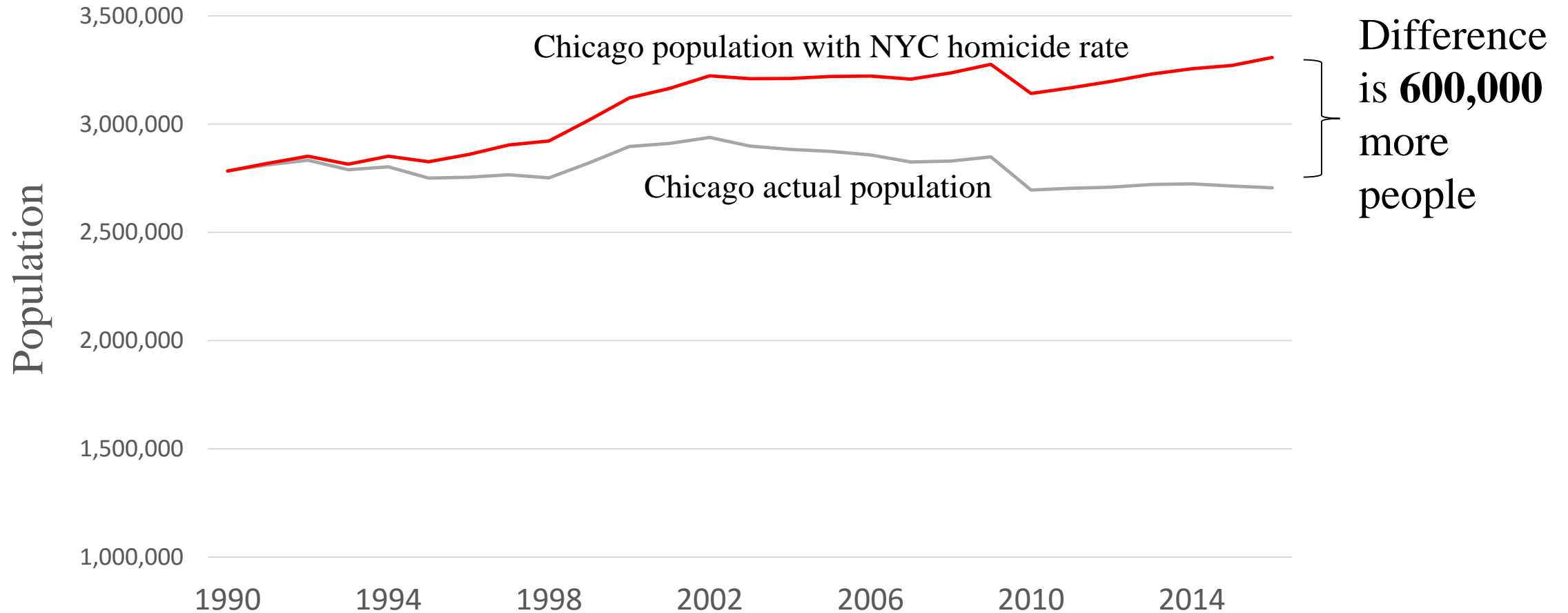
Lost population & jobs

Julie Berry Cullen and Steve Levitt , 1999 *Review of Economics & Statistics*

Philip Cook and Jens Ludwig, 2000 *Gun Violence: The Real Costs* (Oxford University Press)

Here's what that means in practice

What would Chicago's population look like if we had followed New York City's homicide trend?

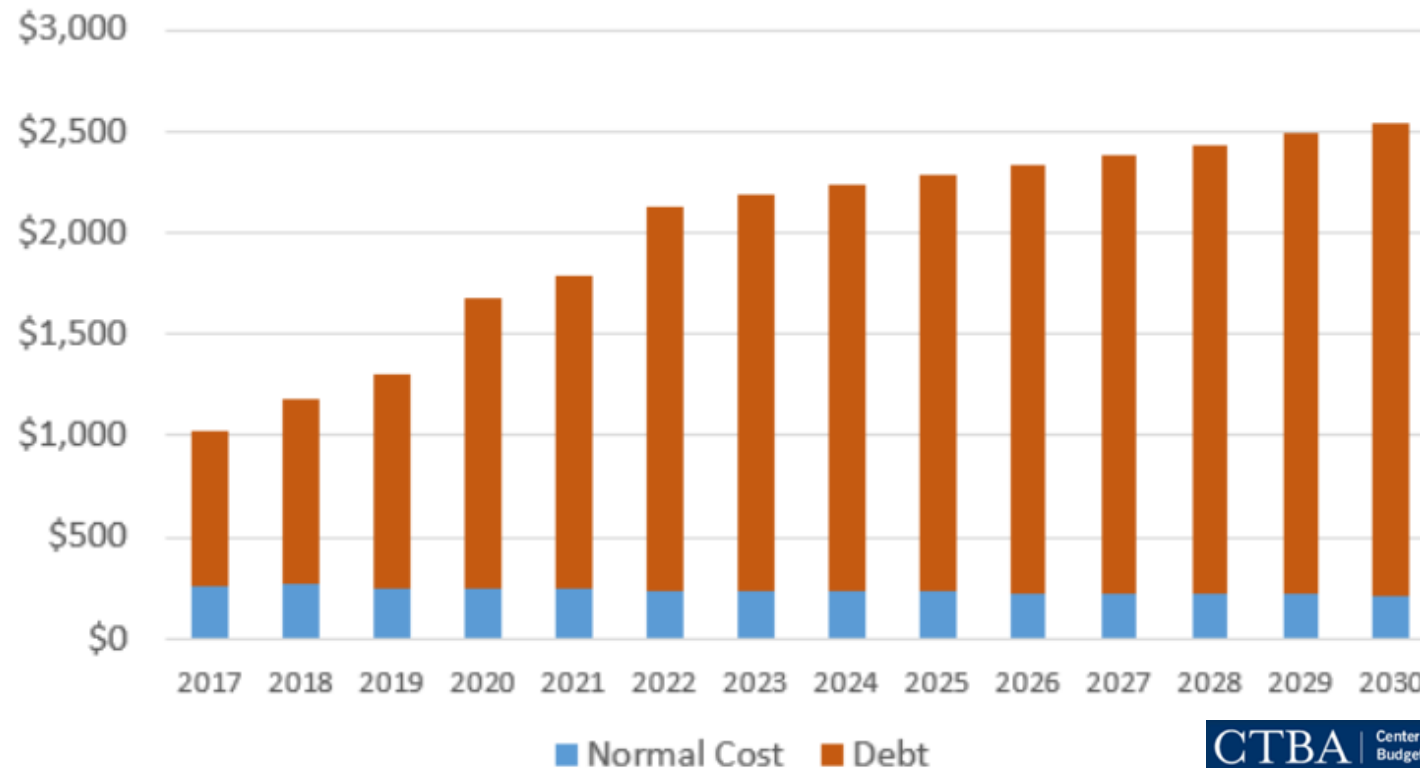


Fewer residents = fewer taxpayers

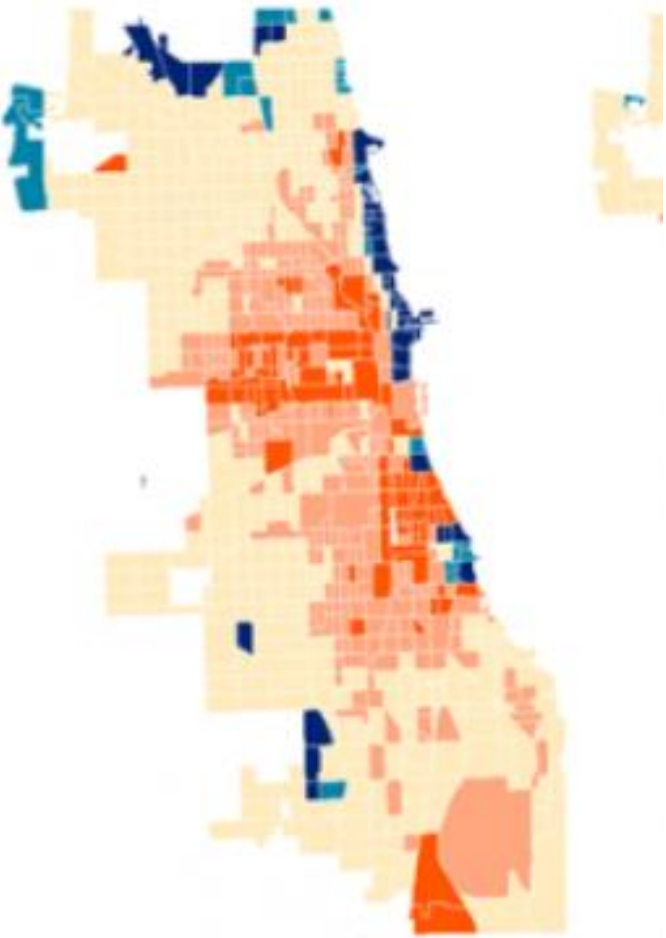
The Washington Post

Chicago's mind-blowing \$33 billion debt and pension obligations

Chicago's Required Annual Pension Payments, 2017-2030
(\$ millions)



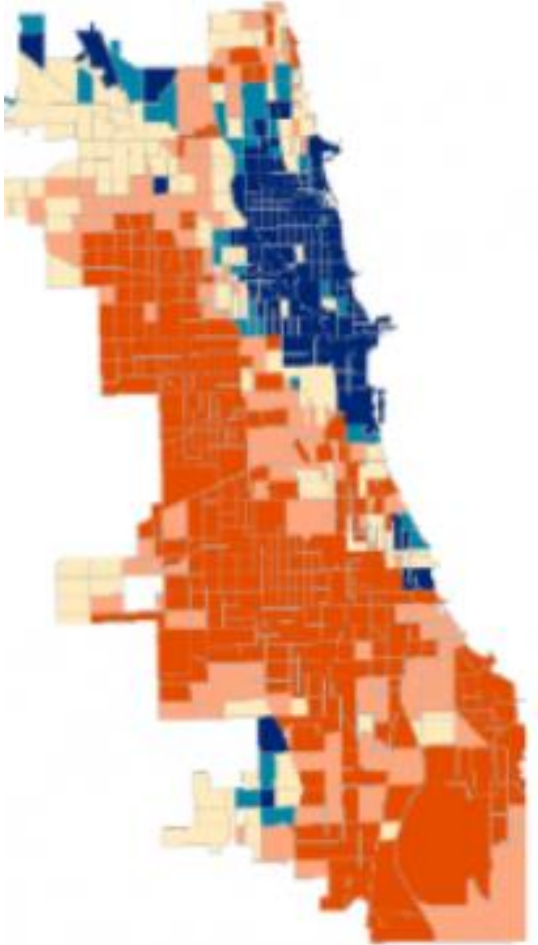
Contributes to inequality of all forms in city



1970

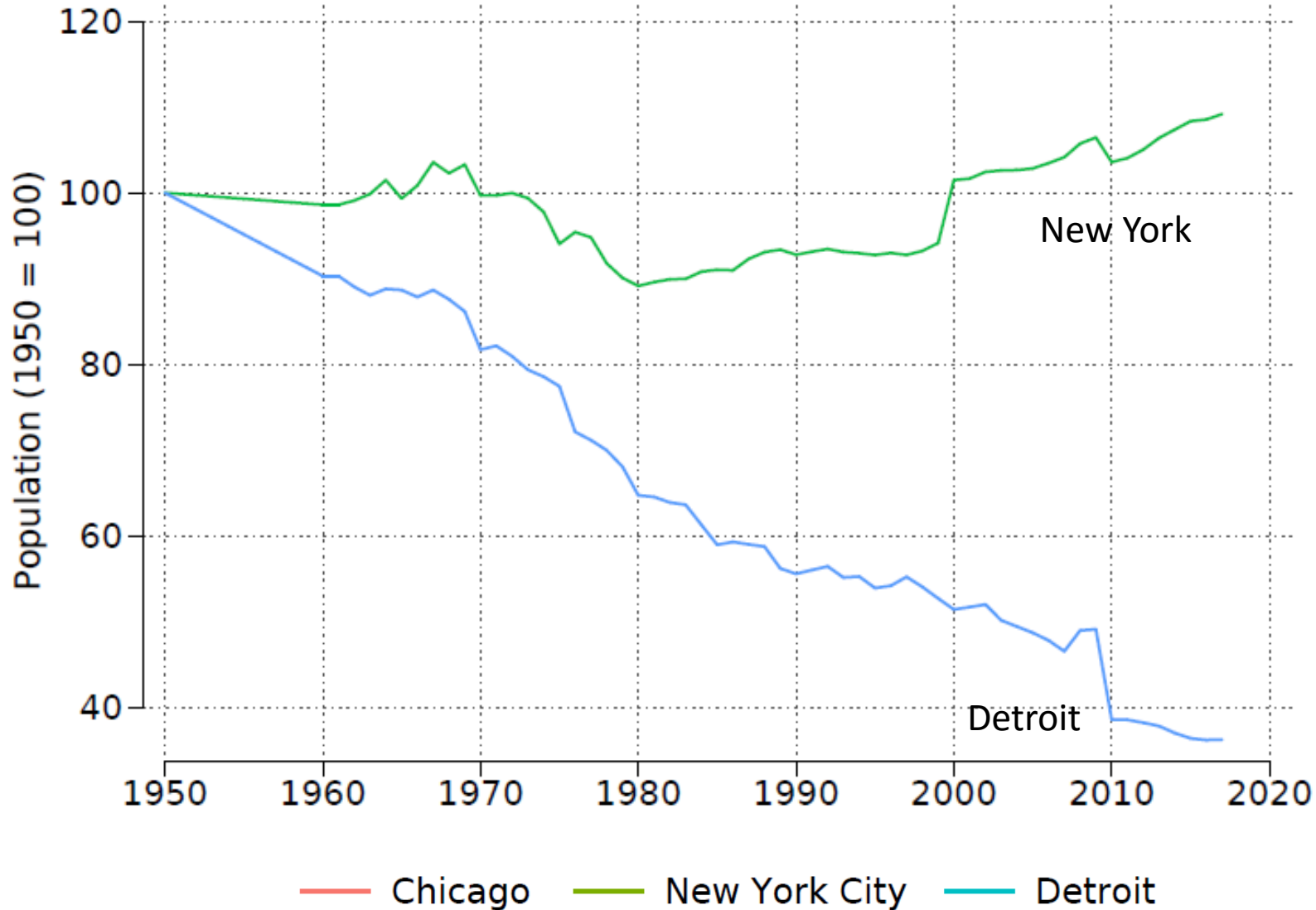
Census Tract proportion of Metro Area Weighted Average Income.

- Very High Income**
Income 40 percent above average
- High Income**
Income 20 percent above average
- Middle Income**
Between 20 percent above and below
- Low Income**
Income 20 percent below average
- Very Low Income**
Income 40 percent below average



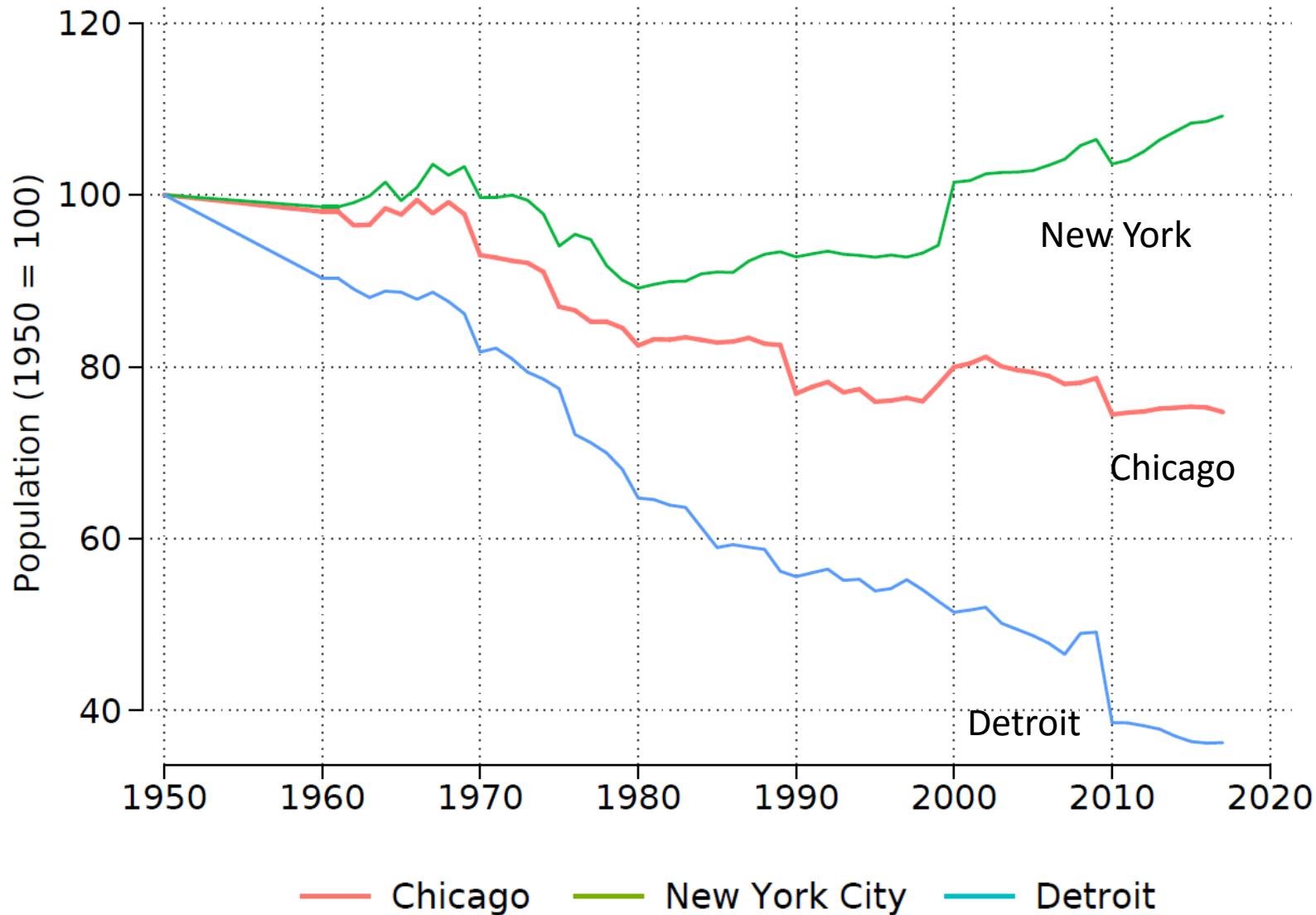
2017

What's the long-term future of our city?



Graph shows annual population expressed as a proportion of city's 1950 population

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Chicago Tribune

Chicago area leads U.S. in population loss

The New York Times

As Chicago Seeks a New Mayor, Many Black Residents Are Leaving

- Downtown Chicago is booming, tourist dollars are pouring in — and African-Americans are moving out.

Which direction will we go?

Graph shows annual population expressed as a proportion of city's 1950 population

Thank You

