


## Stratification from Cradle to Grave

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## Stratification

- Stratification: ranking system for groups of people that perpetuates unequal rewards and life chances in society (p. 327)
- Through stratification, society categorizes people and distributes valued resources based upon these categories

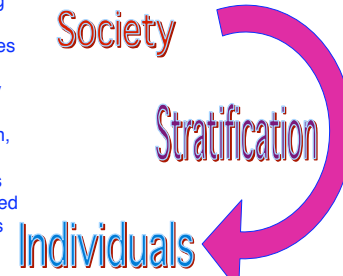
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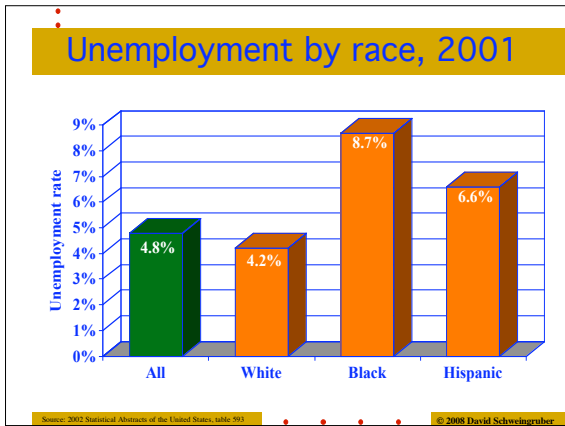
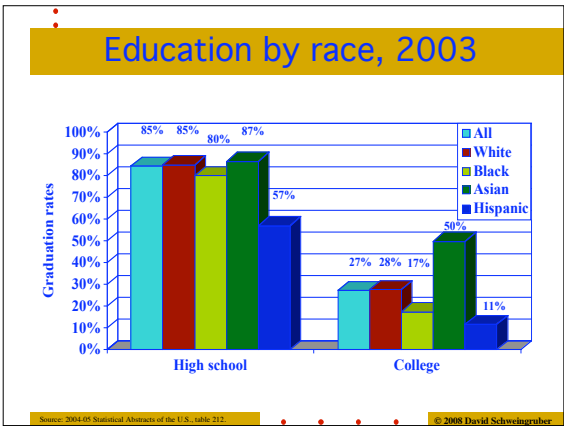
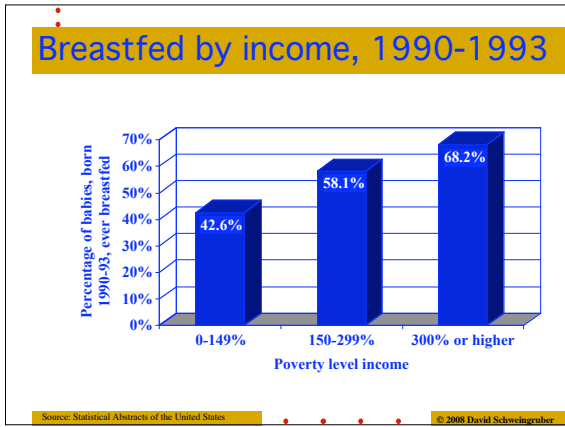
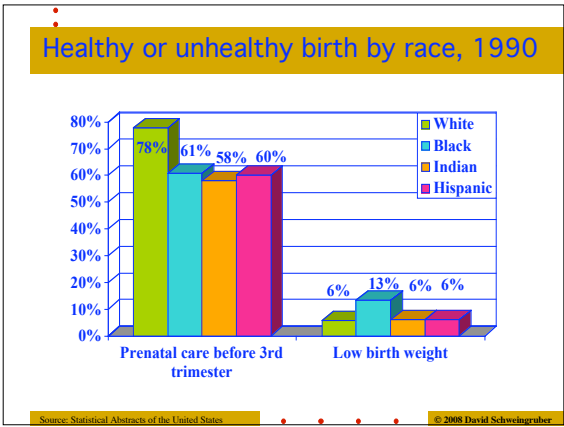
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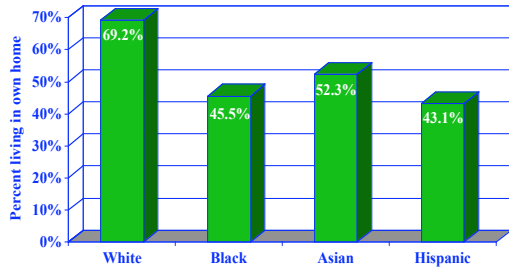
Individuals



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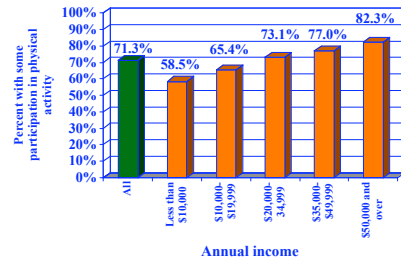
### Home ownership by race, 1997



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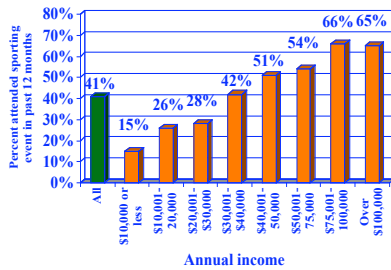
### Exercise by income, 1992



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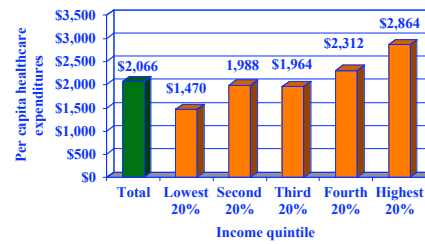
### Sports event attendance by income, 1997



Source: 2002 Statistical Abstracts of the United States, table 1218

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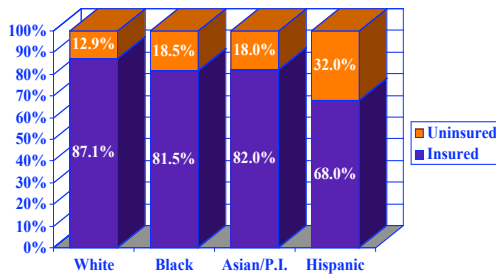
### Healthcare expenditures by income, 2000



Source: 2002 Statistical Abstracts of the United States, table 121

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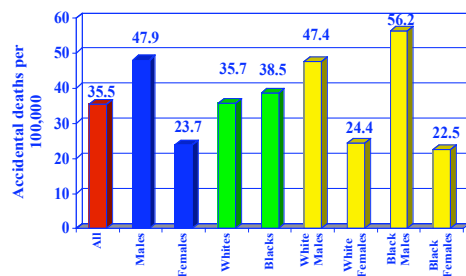
### Health insurance by race, 2000



Source: 2002 Statistical Abstracts of the United States, table 117

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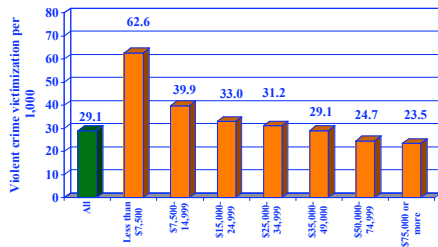
### Accidental death by race and gender, 1995



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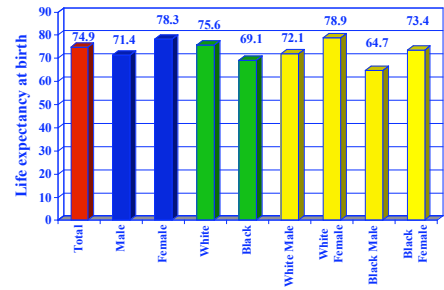
### Violent crime victimization by income, 2000



Source: 2002 Statistical Abstract of the United States, table 259

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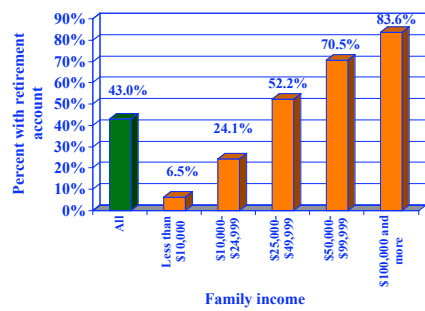
### Life expectancy by race & sex (at birth in 1987)



Source: 2004-05 Statistical Abstract of the United States, table 92

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### Retirement accounts by income, 1995



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