## Capturing the Diversity of Latinos' Experiences of Immigration Policy Through a Multi-County Study in Arizona and California

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### Immigration policy is a social determinant of Latino health

- ☐ Population health surveys have not captured Latinos' direct experiences with immigration policy
- ☐ Research has focused on Latino populations' fears and perceptions of immigration policies
- ☐ Latino populations in rural areas are generally not included in national-level surveys, even though rural areas are often more politically conservative on immigration policy issues and contain predominantly non-Hispanic communities.

# Among rural Latinos...

20%

10%

Public charge

concerns



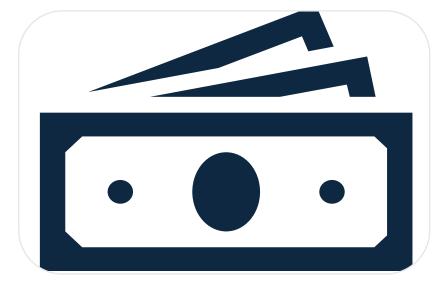
charge concerns

Knowing where to

go for legal aid









24% know where to go for legal aid

Wage theft

Know someone

deported

21% racially profiled by law enforcement

15% have experienced wage theft

29% know someone who has been deported

### **Community Health Survey**

As part of the Policies Influencing Rural Latino Health Study, we conducted a population-based survey from June 2024 to December 2024 of 3,108 Latinos residing in rural census tracts in 14 counties in California and Arizona, to understand their immigration policy experiences and health outcomes

### Immigration policy is made up of multiple policy areas...

Spanish speakers

and these policy areas shape the experiences of Latinos

Citizenship/ migration policy

Noncitizens

Local/federal enforcement policies and practices

through two distinct mechanisms

Navigating

policy

That determine the rights of...

Health care/safety net systems

Labor/
employment
protections

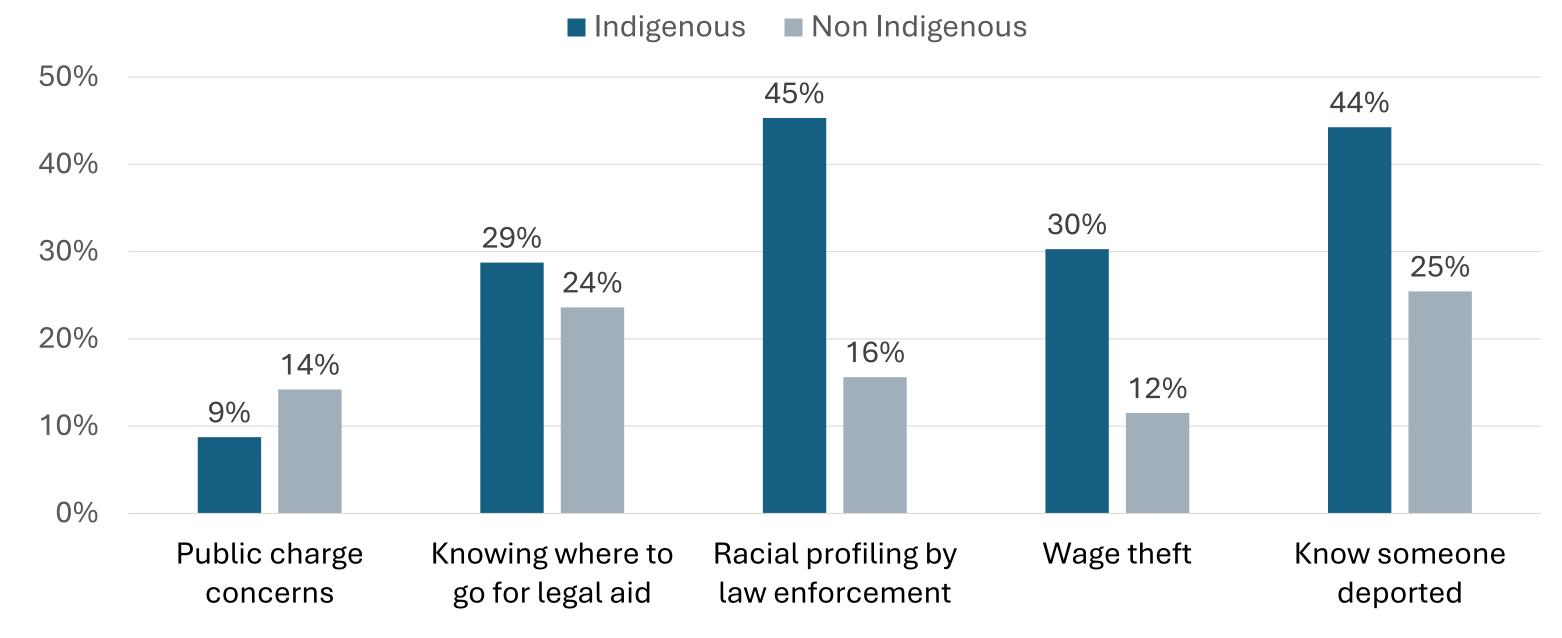
Racialization

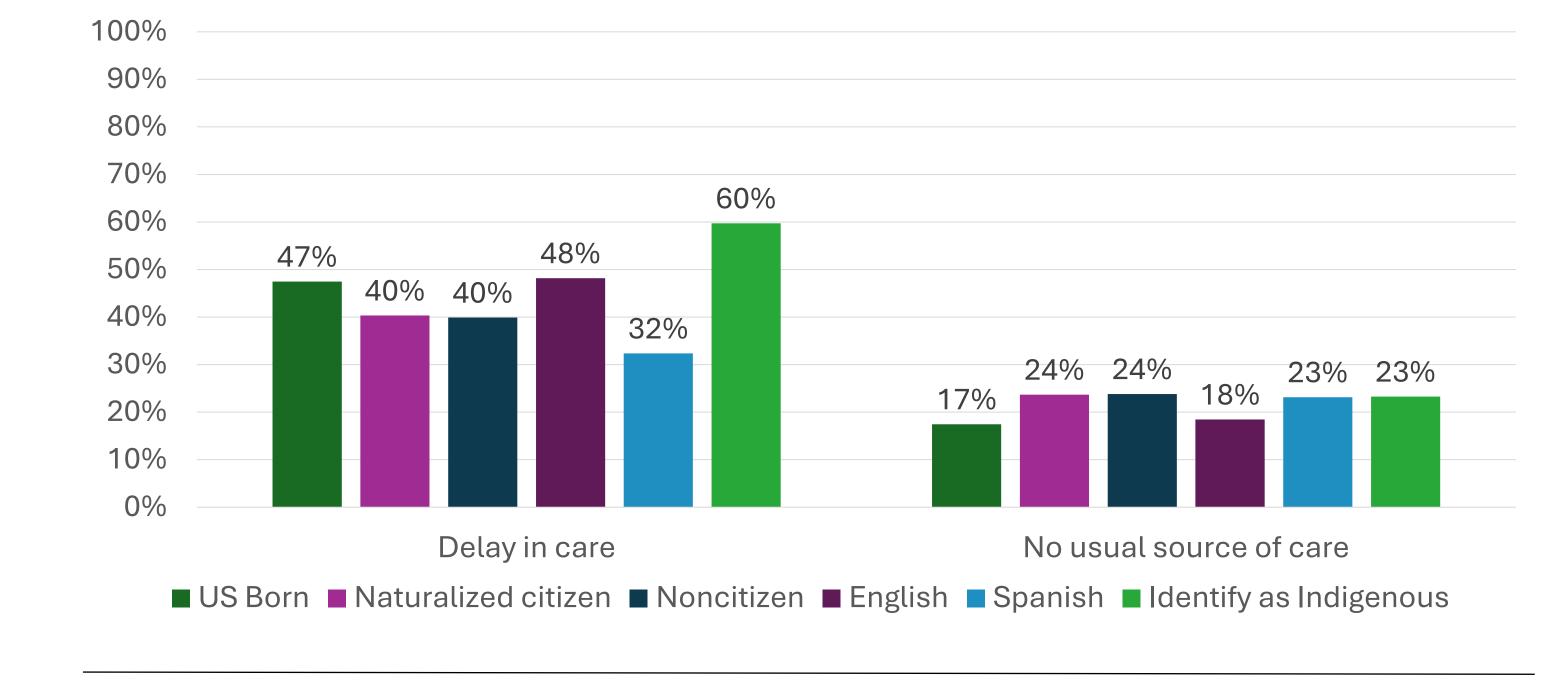
of Latinos

### Policy experiences by Indigenous identity

Policy experiences by citizenship

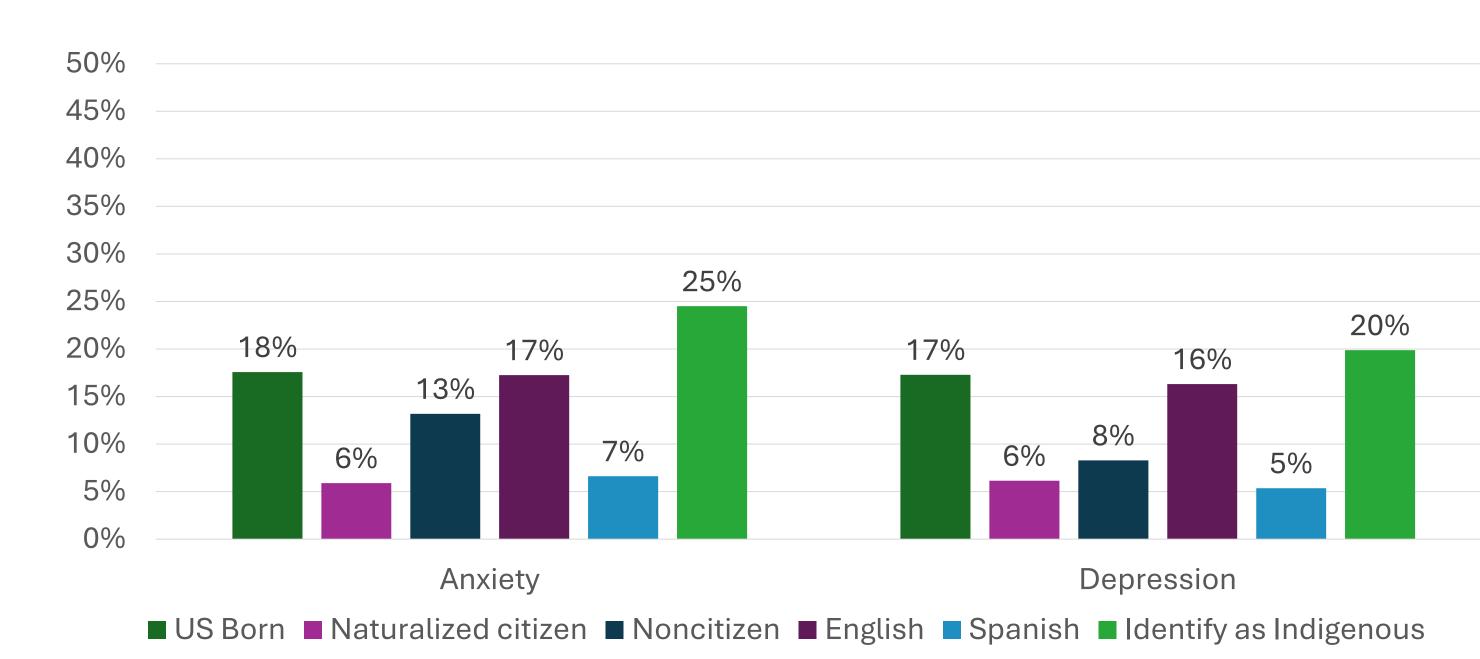
Naturalized Citizen





Access to health care by language, citizenship, and Indigenous identity

### Mental health by language, citizenship, and Indigenous identity



□ Latinos who live in rural areas have interacted with immigration enforcement policies or policies that enforce their legal status or rights
 □ It is feasible to survey Latinos about their diverse multi-generational health care access and immigration policy experiences

### Policies Influencing Rural Latino Health



Encountering

policy

