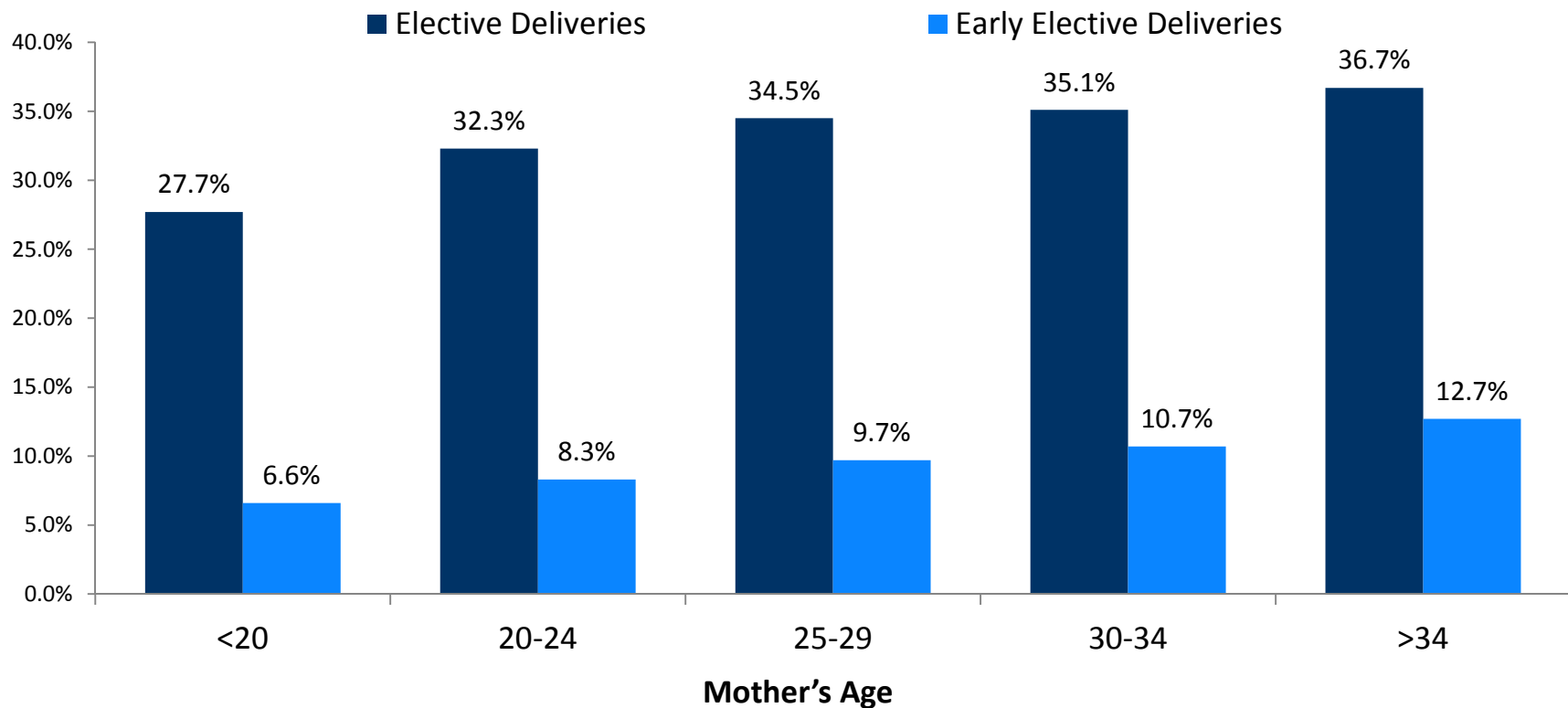


Mother's Age

Rates of Elective and Early Elective Delivery were Higher at Older Ages

Percentage of Mothers who had an Elective Delivery, by Mother's Age



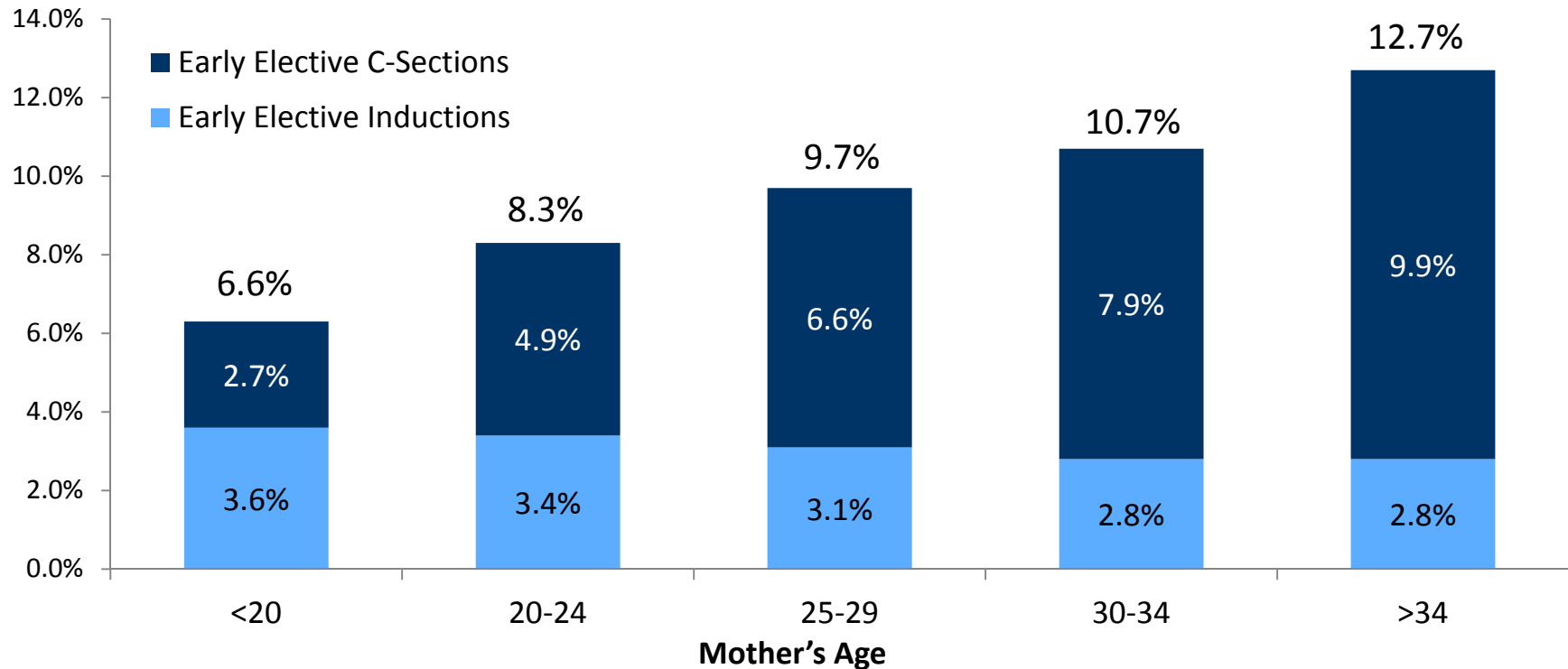
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Source: AcademyHealth analysis of state-reported data for Medicaid Medical Directors' Perinatal Project

Mother's Age

Rates of Early Elective Inductions were Similar for Women by Age, but the Rate of Early Elective C-Section was More than 3 Times Higher for Women Aged 34 and Older (9.9%) than for Women Under Age 20 (2.7%)

Percentage of Mothers who had an Early Elective Delivery by Type, by Mother's Age



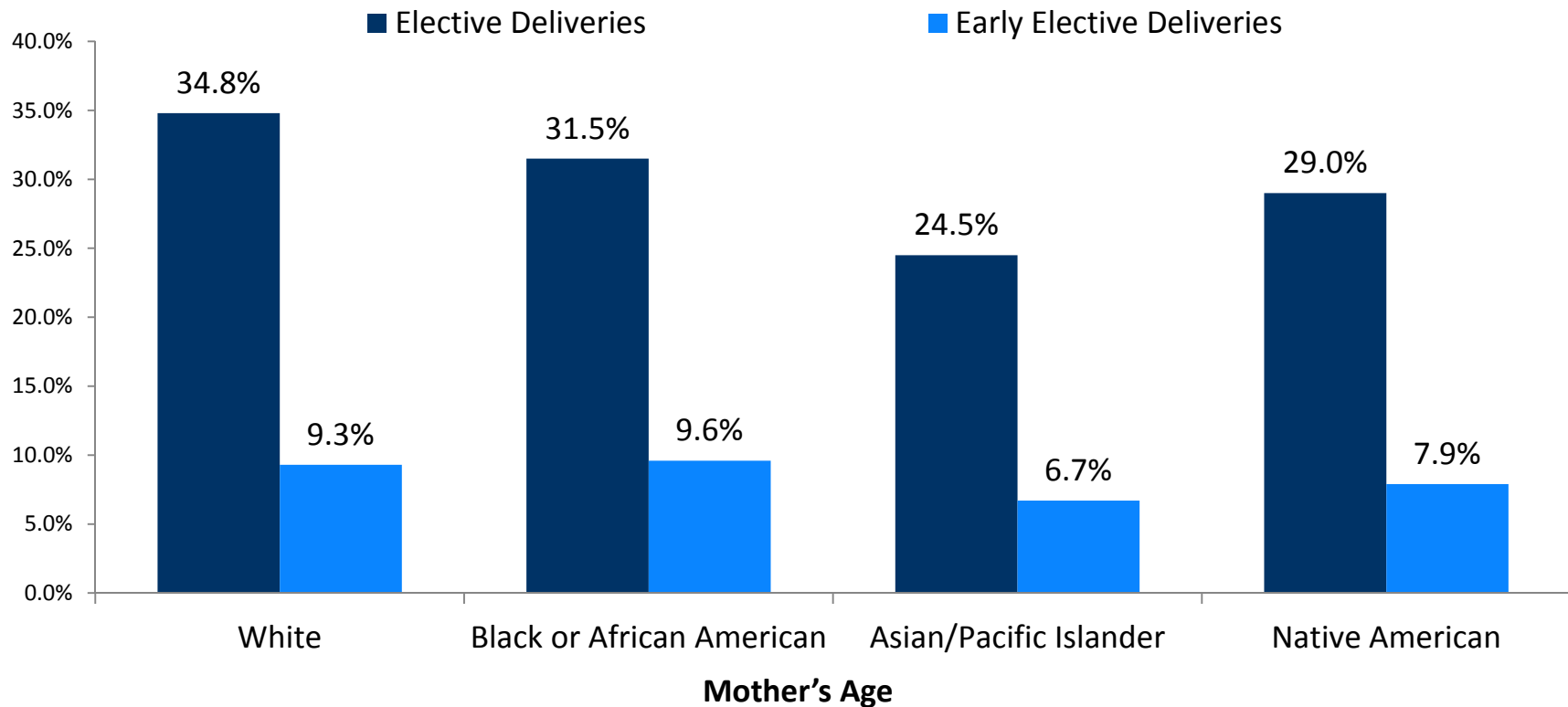
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Mother's Race

Rates of Elective and Early Elective Delivery Varied by Race; Asian/Pacific Islanders Had the Lowest Rates

Percentage of Mothers who had an Elective Delivery, by Mother's Race



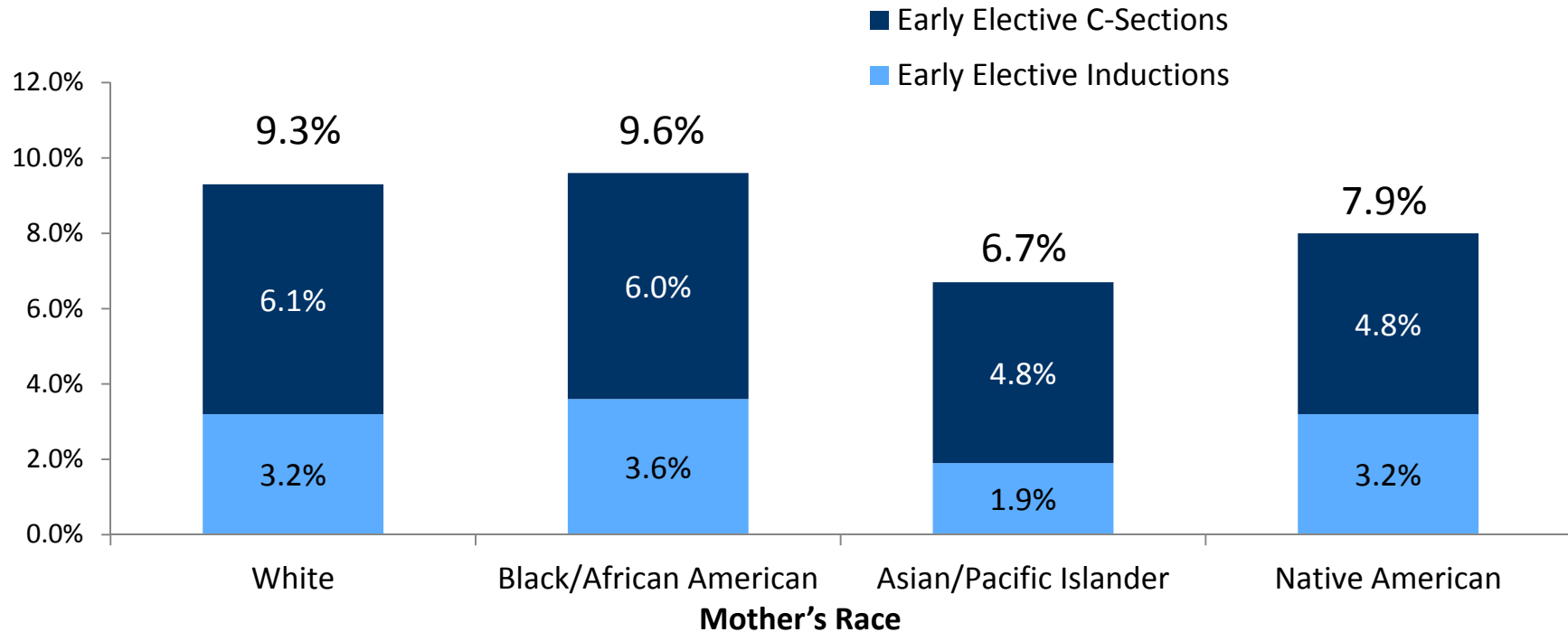
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Mother's Race

Rates of Early Elective C-Sections were Lower for Asian/Pacific Islanders and Native American Mothers than for White or Black/African American Mothers

Percentage of Mothers who had an Early Elective Delivery by Type, by Mother's Race

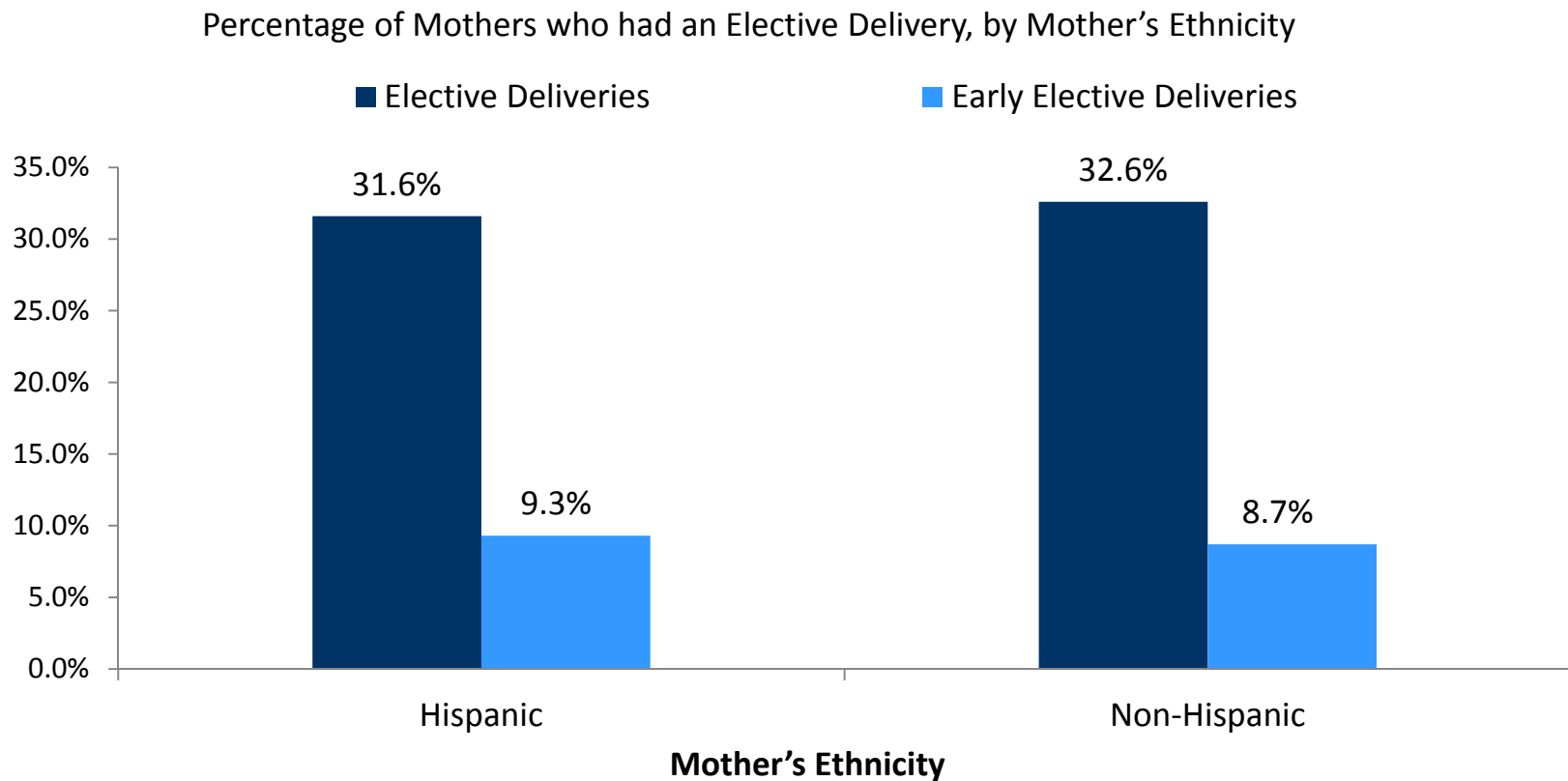


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Mother's Ethnicity

Hispanic Mothers had a Higher Rate of Early Elective Delivery than Non-Hispanic Mothers



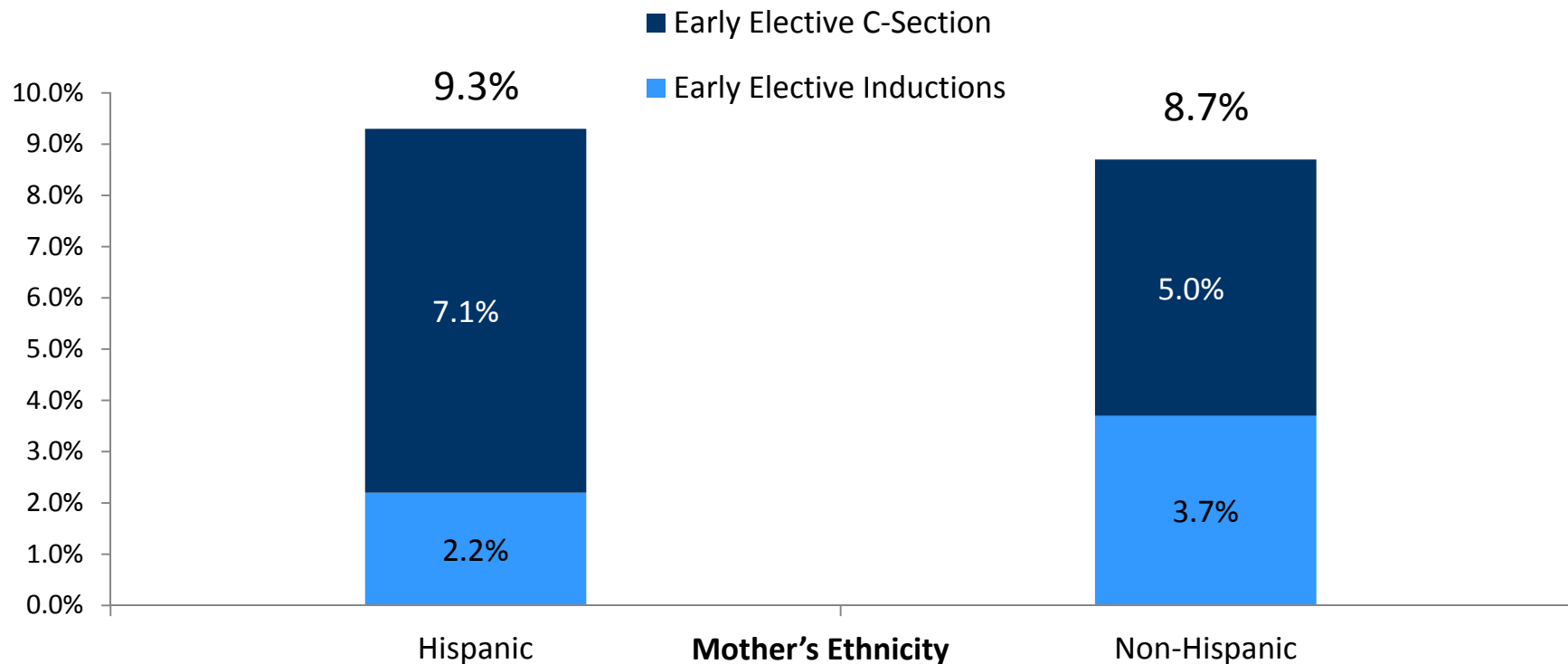
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Mother's Ethnicity

The Higher Rate of Early Elective Delivery for Hispanic Mothers (9.3%) Compared to Non-Hispanic Mothers (8.7%) is Due to a Higher Rate of Early Elective C-Sections

Percentage of Mothers who had an Elective Delivery, by Mother's Ethnicity



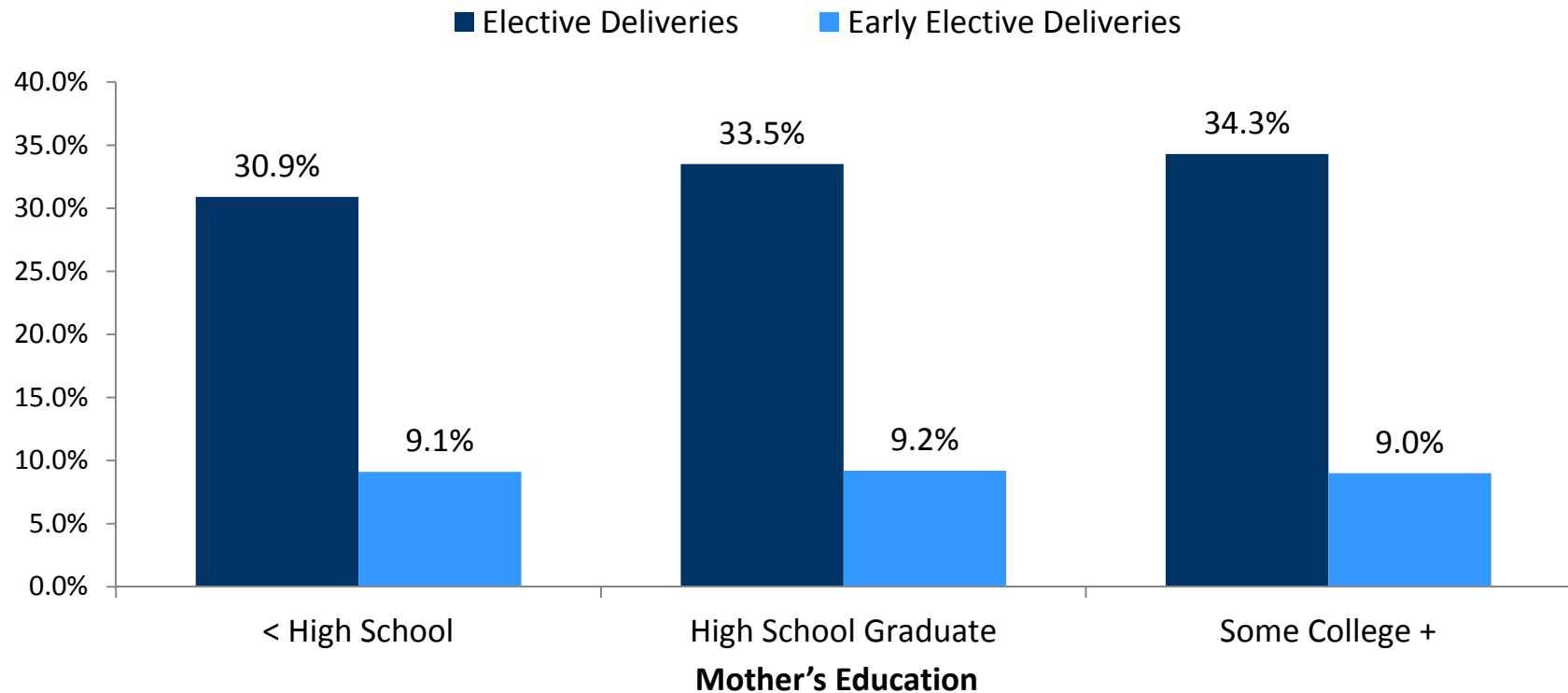
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Mother's Education

The Rate of Elective Delivery was Lower at Higher Levels of Educational Attainment

Percentage of Mothers who had an Elective Delivery, by Mother's Highest Level of Education at Time of Delivery



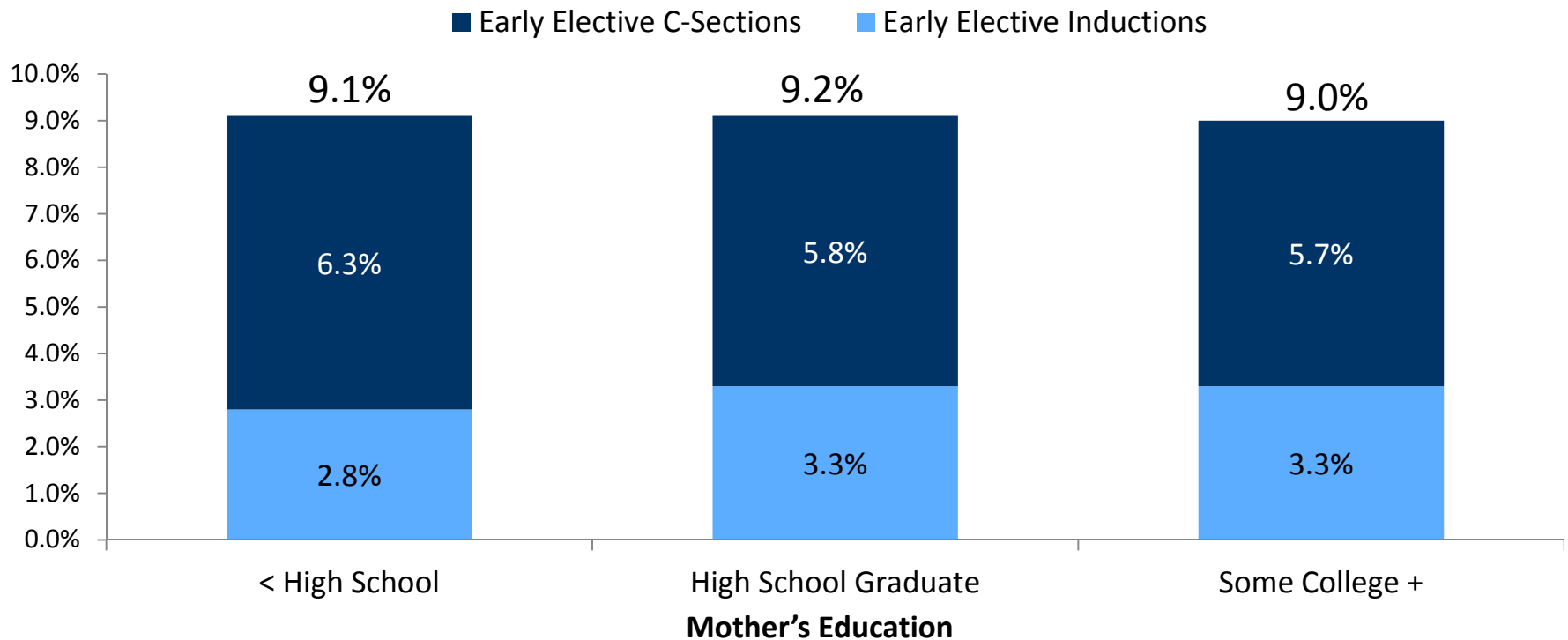
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Mother's Education

The Rate of Early Elective C-Sections was Higher Among Mothers with Less Than a High School Education, Though the Rate of Early Elective Inductions was Lower

Percentage of Mothers who had an Elective Delivery, by Mother's Highest Level of Education at Time of Delivery



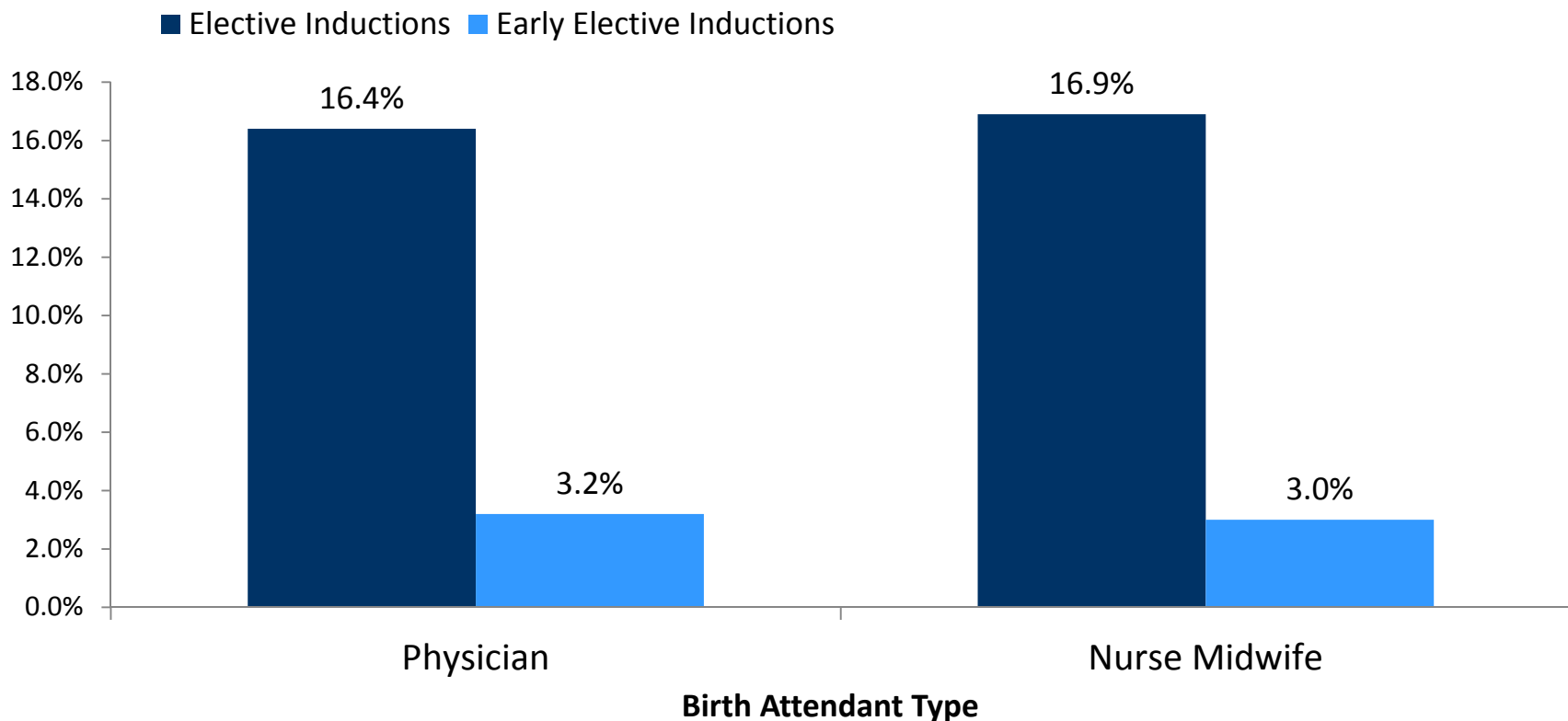
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Birth Attendant Type

Rates of Elective Induction and Early Elective Induction Did Not Vary Much by Type of Birth Attendant

Percentage of Mothers who had an Elective Induction, by Birth Attendant Type

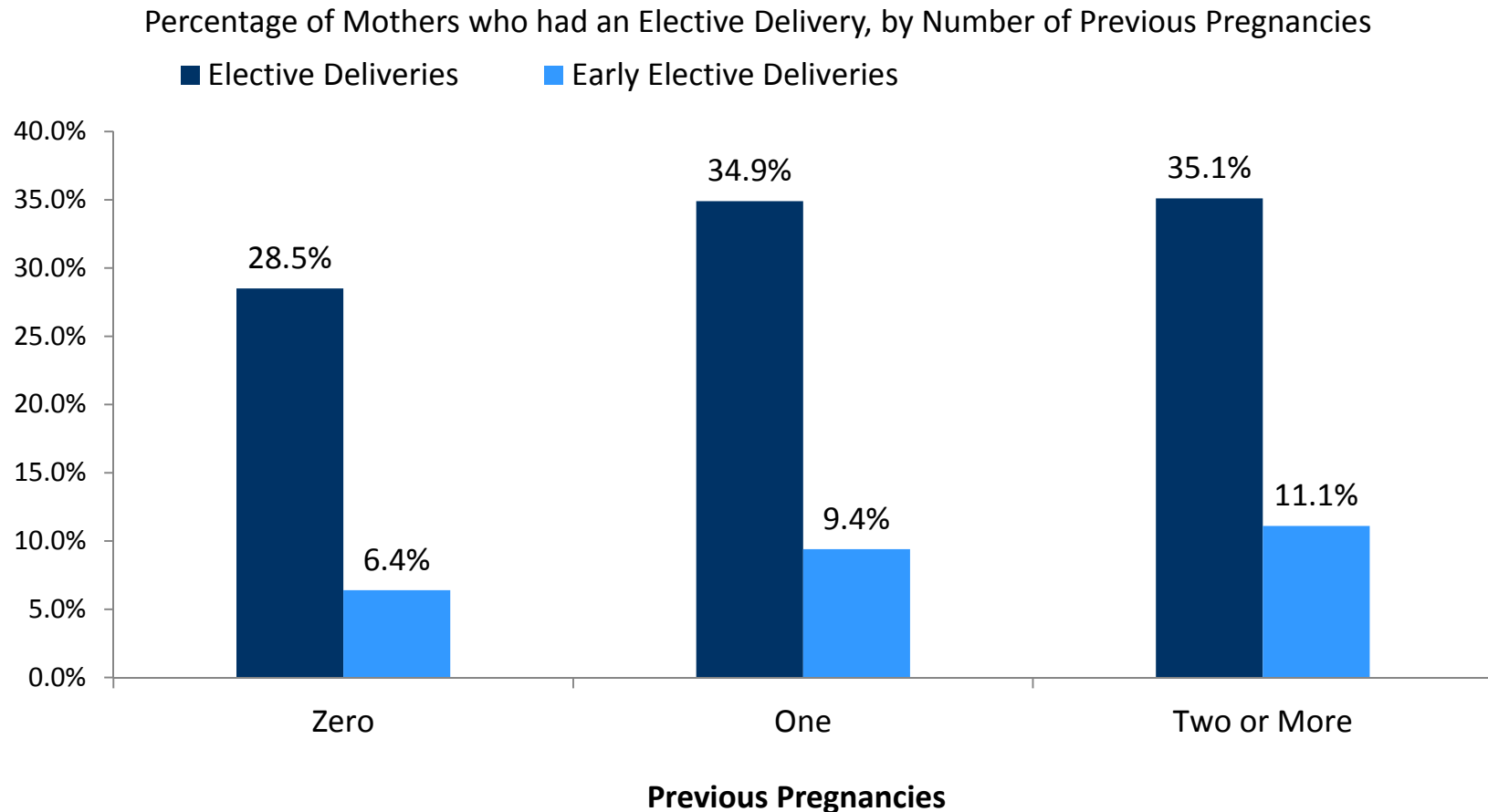


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Pregnancy History

Elective and Early Elective Deliveries were More Common Among Mothers with Previous Pregnancies Compared to First-Time Mothers



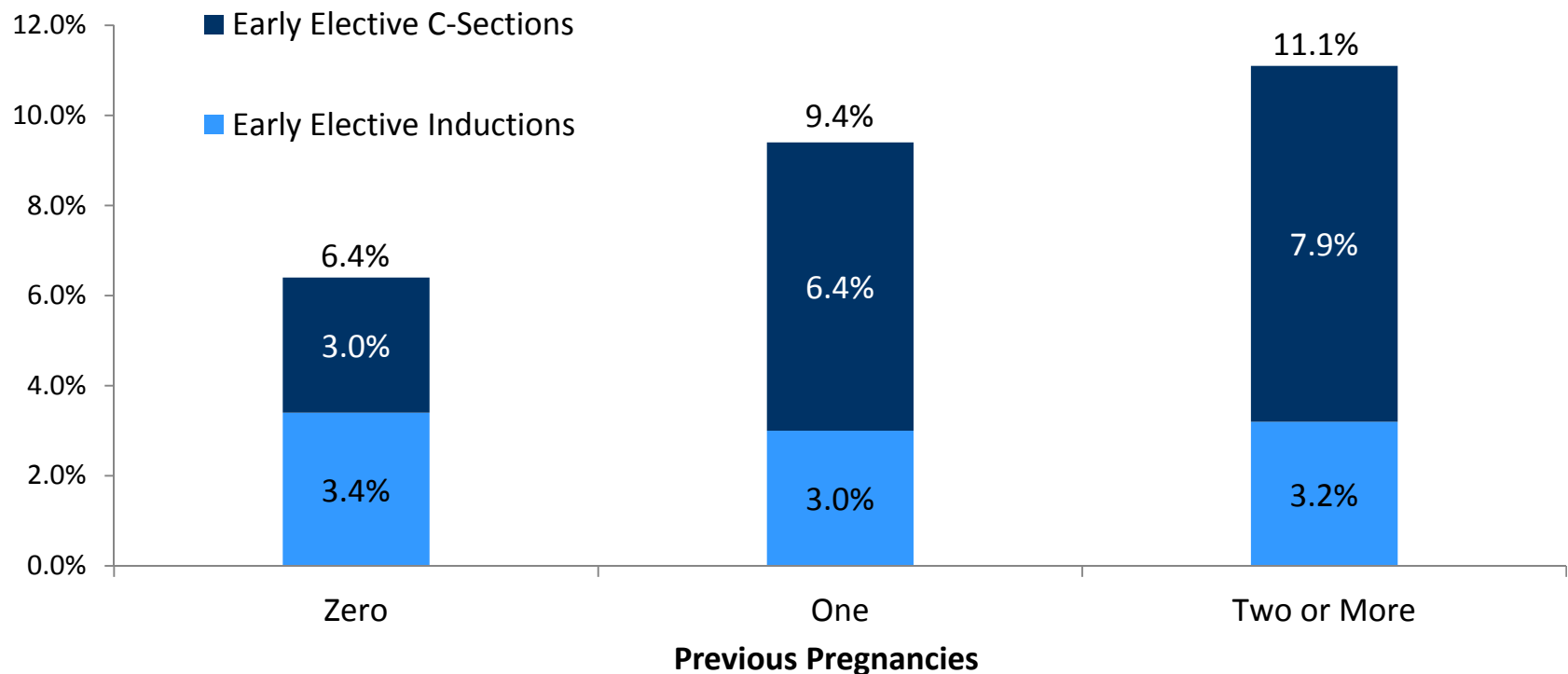
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Pregnancy History

The Rate of Early Elective C-Section was More than Twice as High for Mothers with Previous Pregnancies Compared to First-Time Mothers

Percentage of Mothers who had an Elective Delivery, by Number of Previous Pregnancies



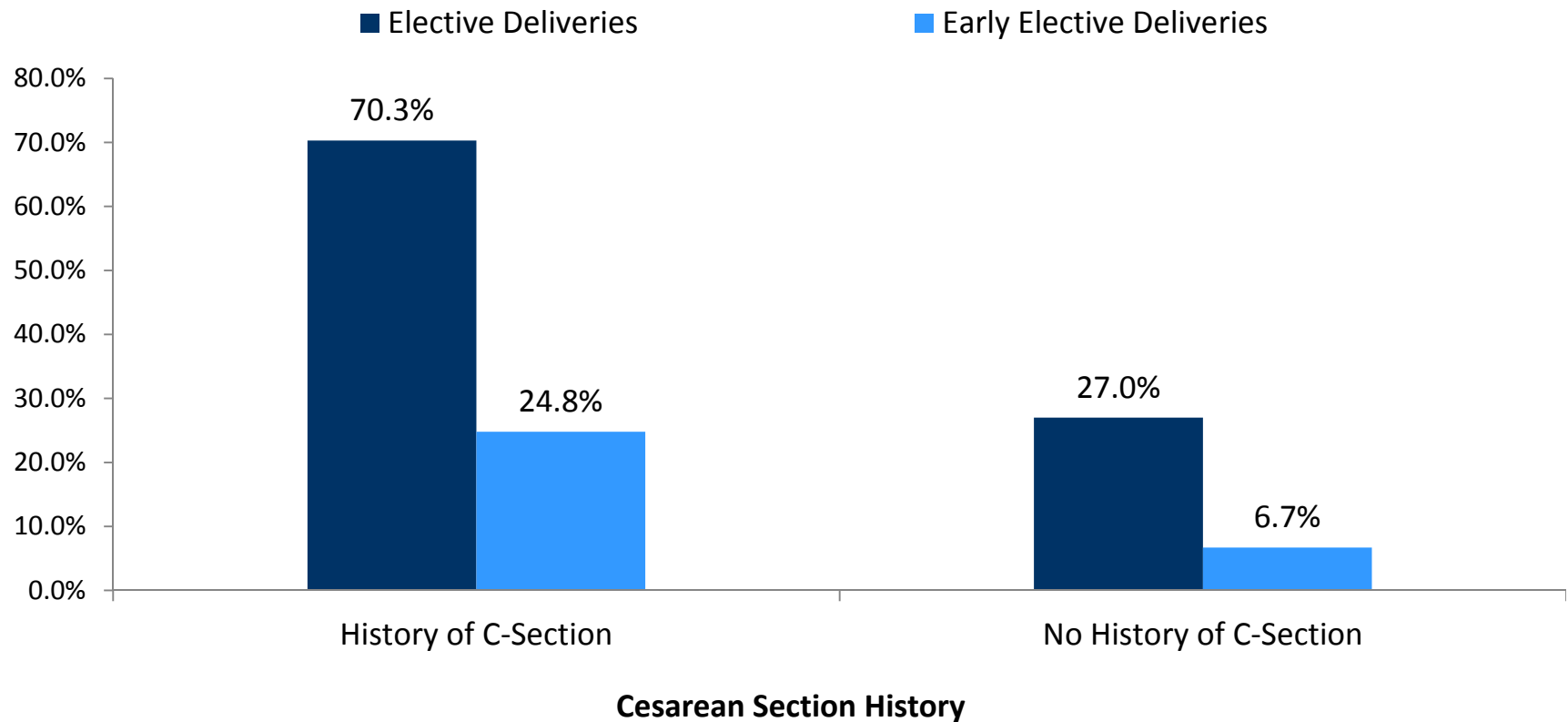
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C-Section History

Roughly 70% of Mothers who had a History of C-Section had an Elective Delivery; About a Quarter had an Early Elective Delivery

Percentage of Mothers who had an Elective Delivery, by C-Section History



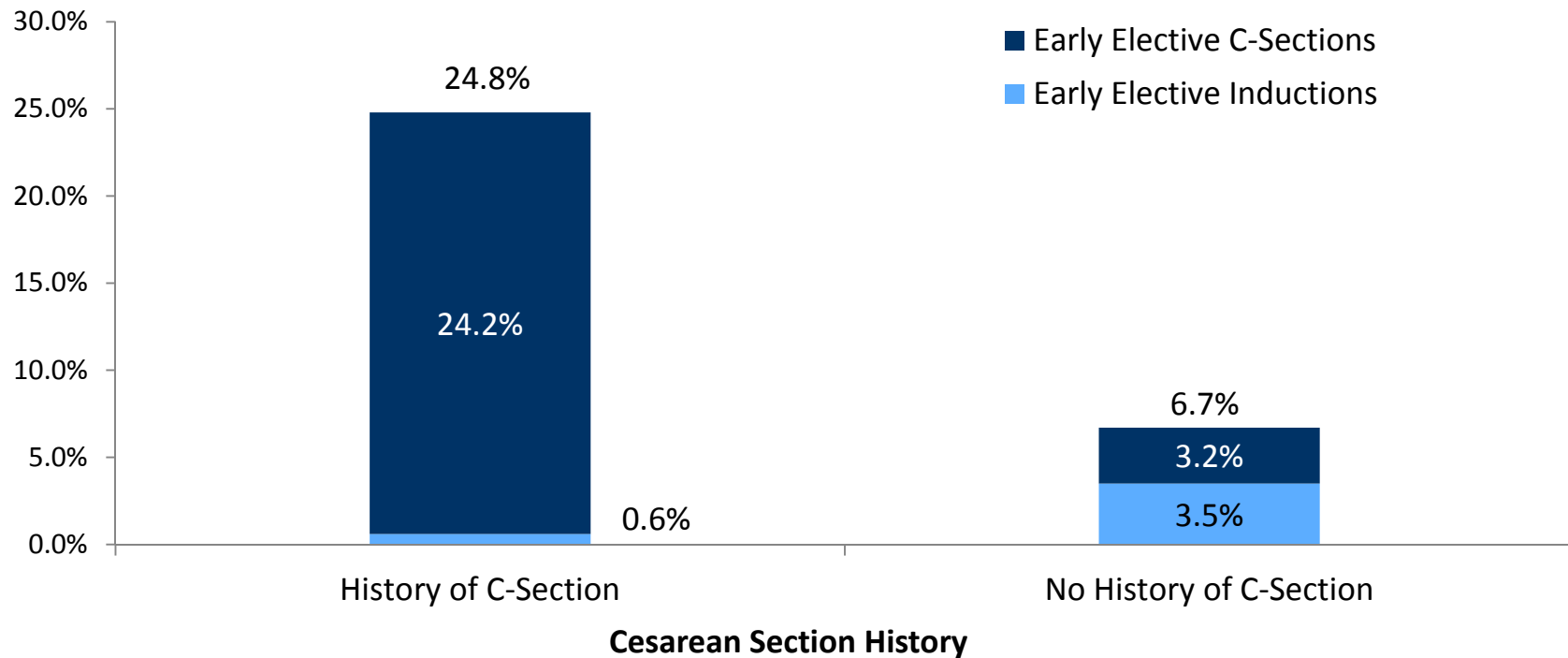
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C-Section History

Nearly All of the Early Elective Deliveries Among Women with a C-Section History were Early Elective C-Sections

Percentage of Mothers with an Early Elective Delivery by Type, by C-Section History



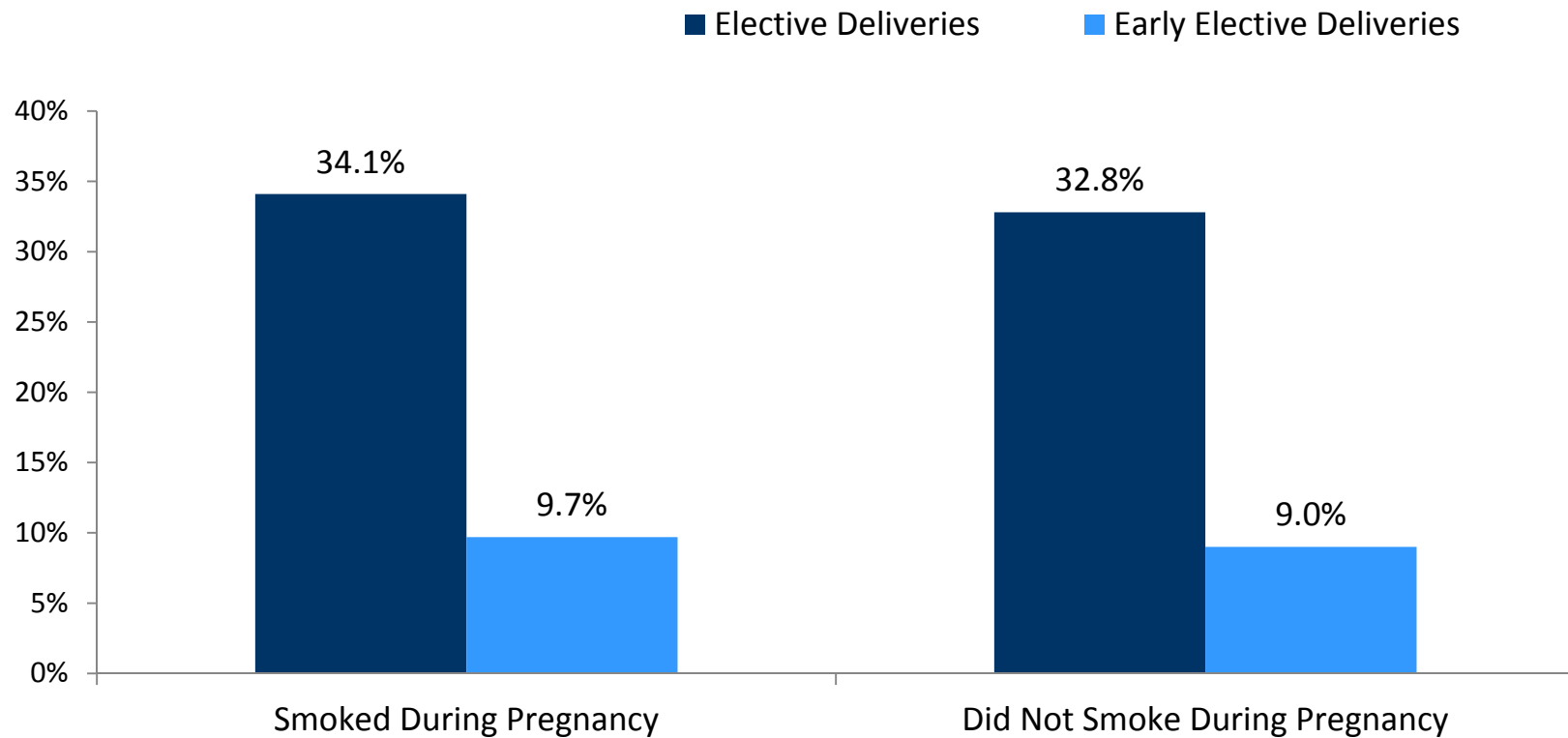
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Mother's Tobacco Use

Rates of Elective Delivery and Early Elective Delivery Were Slightly Higher for Mothers Who Smoked During Pregnancy Compared to Mothers Who Did Not Smoke

Percentage of Mothers who had an Elective Delivery, by Tobacco Use



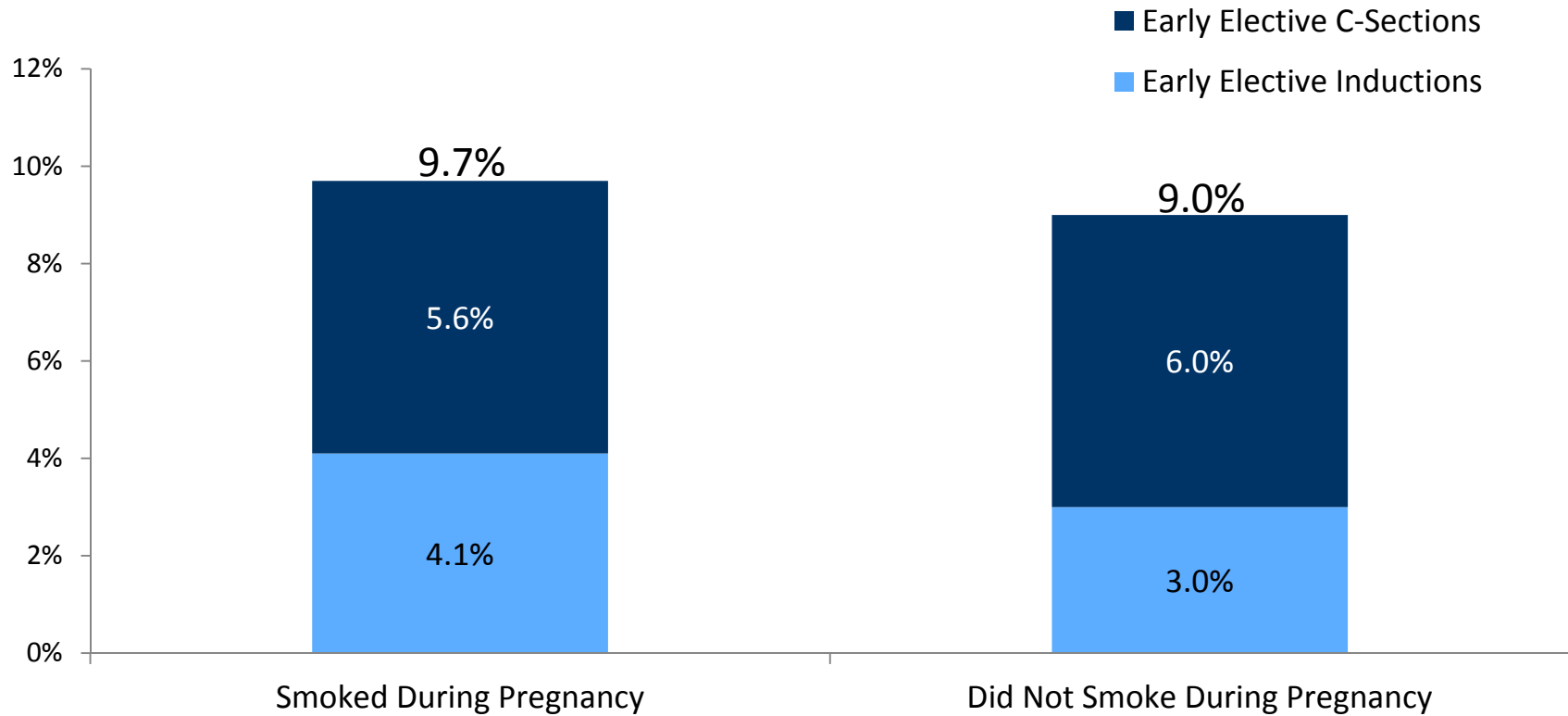
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Mother's Tobacco Use

The Rate of Early Elective Induction Was Higher Among Smokers than Non-Smokers

Percentage of Mothers with an Early Elective Delivery by Type, by Tobacco Use



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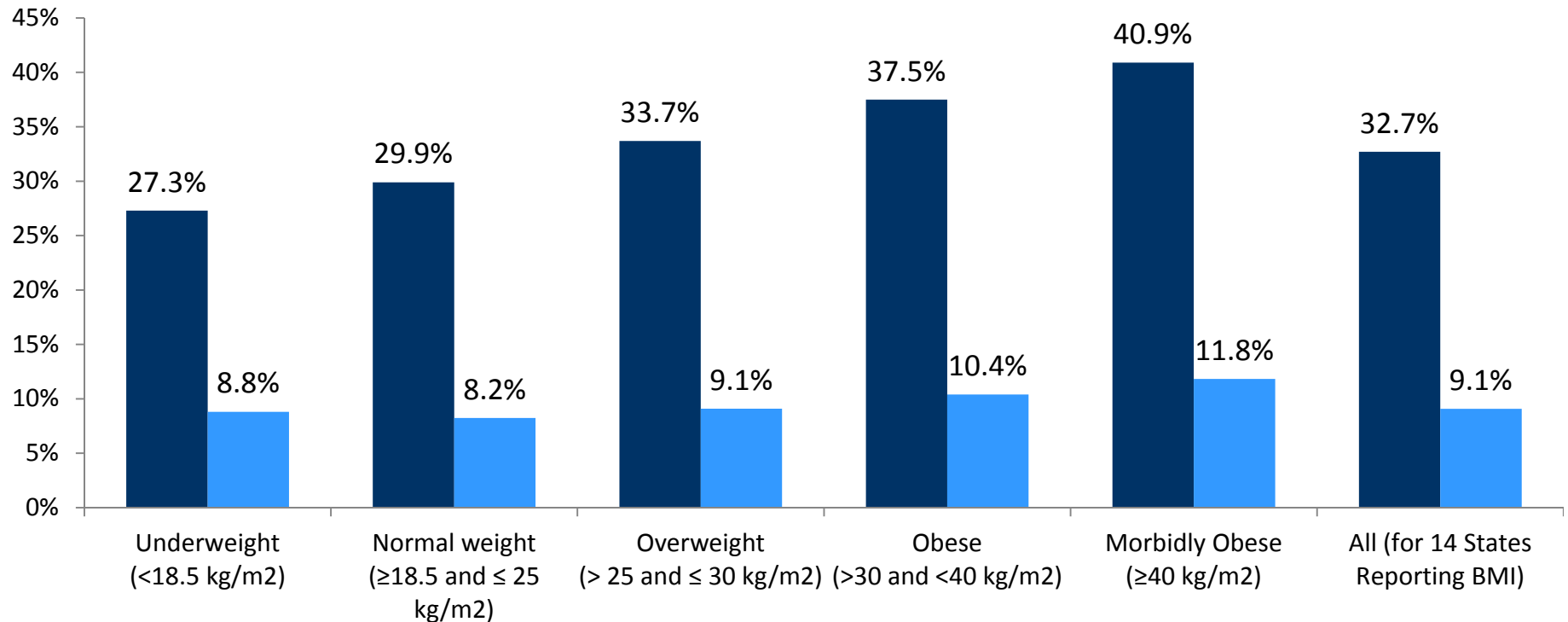
Pre-Pregnancy Body Mass Index

Mothers Who Were Obese or Morbidly Obese Prior to Pregnancy are More Likely to Have Had an Elective or Early Elective Delivery than Normal or Underweight Mothers

Percentage of Mothers who had an Elective Delivery, by Pre-Pregnancy Body Mass Index

■ Elective Deliveries

■ Early Elective Deliveries



Note: Data are from 14 states (CA, CO, FL, IA, ID, LA, NC, OH, OR, PA, SD, UT, VT, WA); various reporting years 2010-2012.

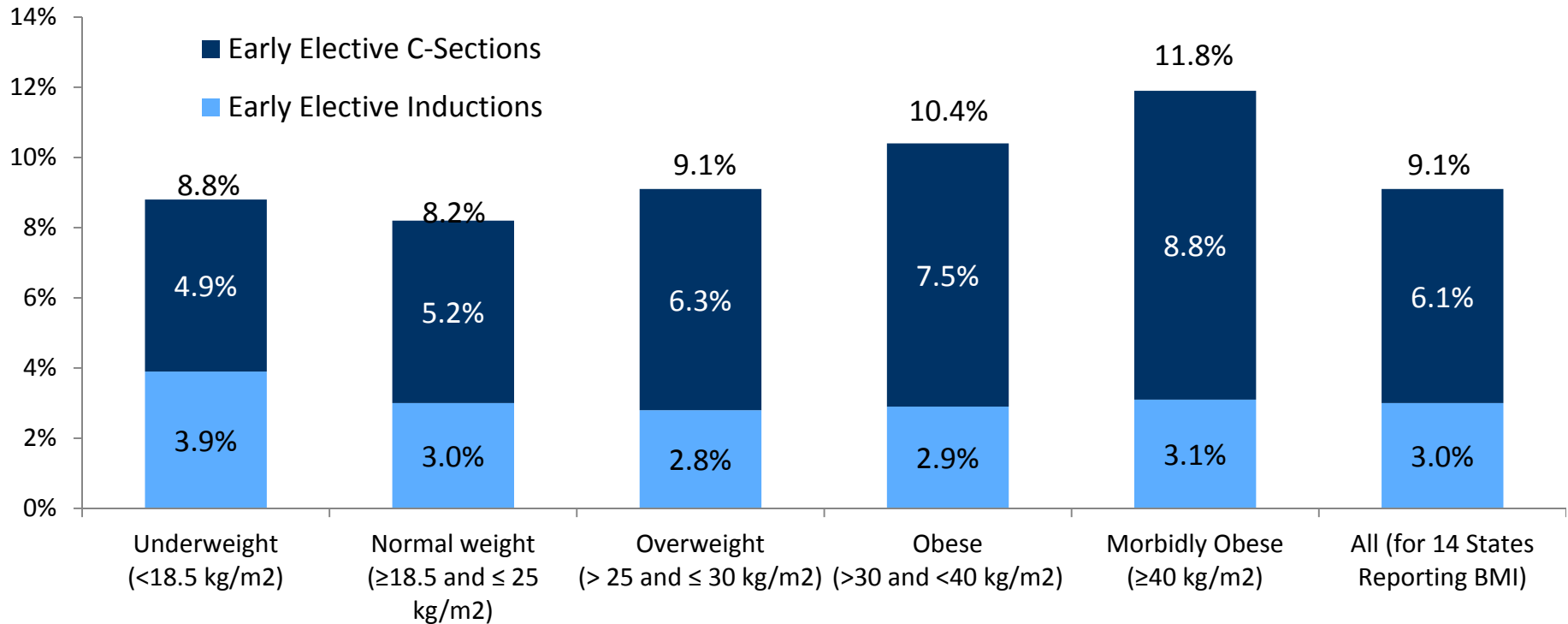
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Pre-Pregnancy Body Mass Index

Mothers Who Were Obese or Morbidly Obese Prior to Pregnancy are Much More Likely to Have Had an Early Elective C-Section than Normal or Underweight Mothers

Percentage of Mothers with an Early Elective Delivery by Type, by Pre-Pregnancy Body Mass Index



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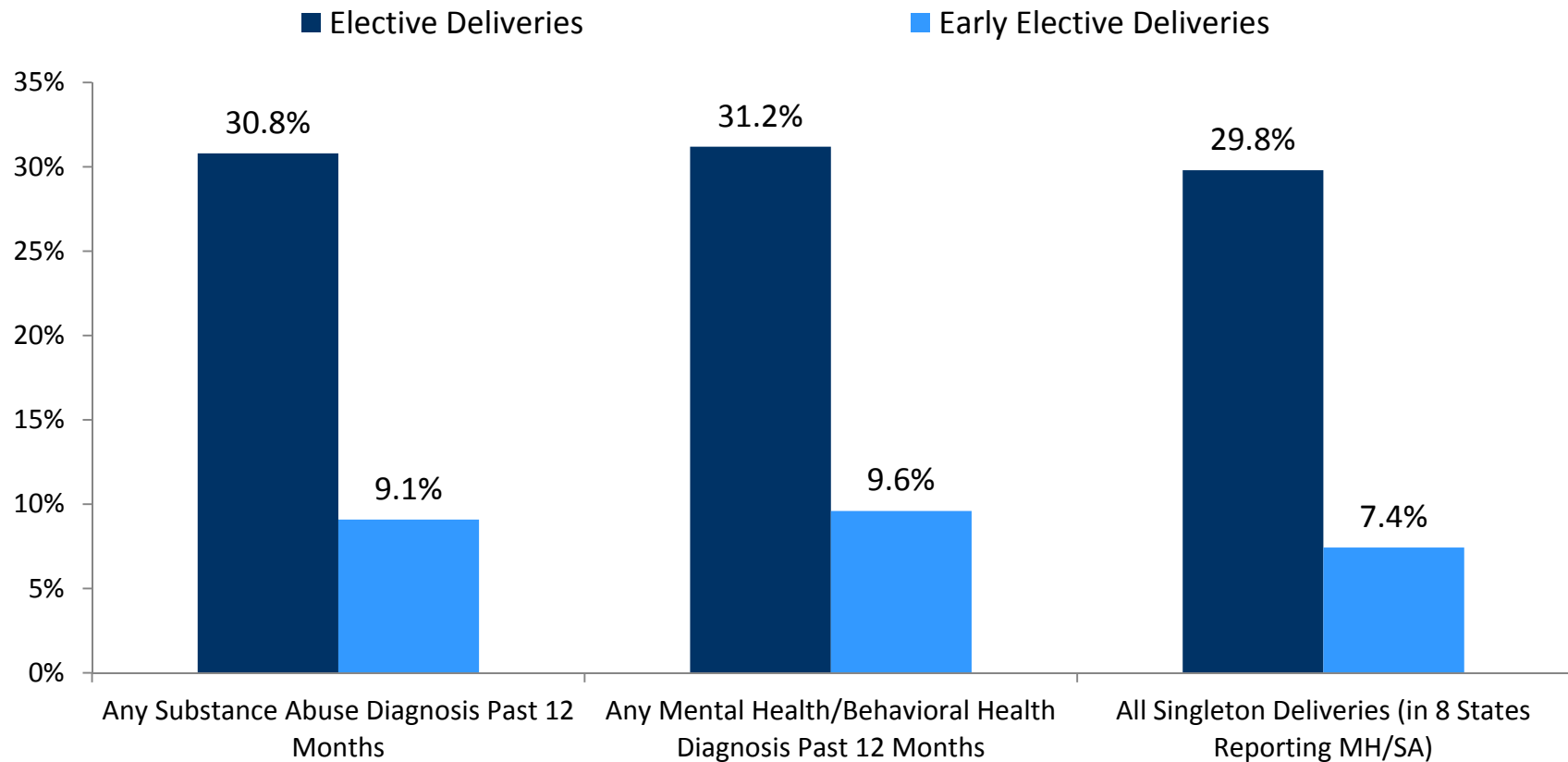
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Mental Health/Behavioral Health/Substance Abuse Diagnosis

Mothers with Any Mental or Behavioral Health or Substance Abuse Diagnosis in Past 12 Months Had Early Elective Deliveries at Above-Average Rates

Percentage of Mothers who had an Elective Delivery, by Mental Health/Behavioral Health/Substance Abuse Diagnosis



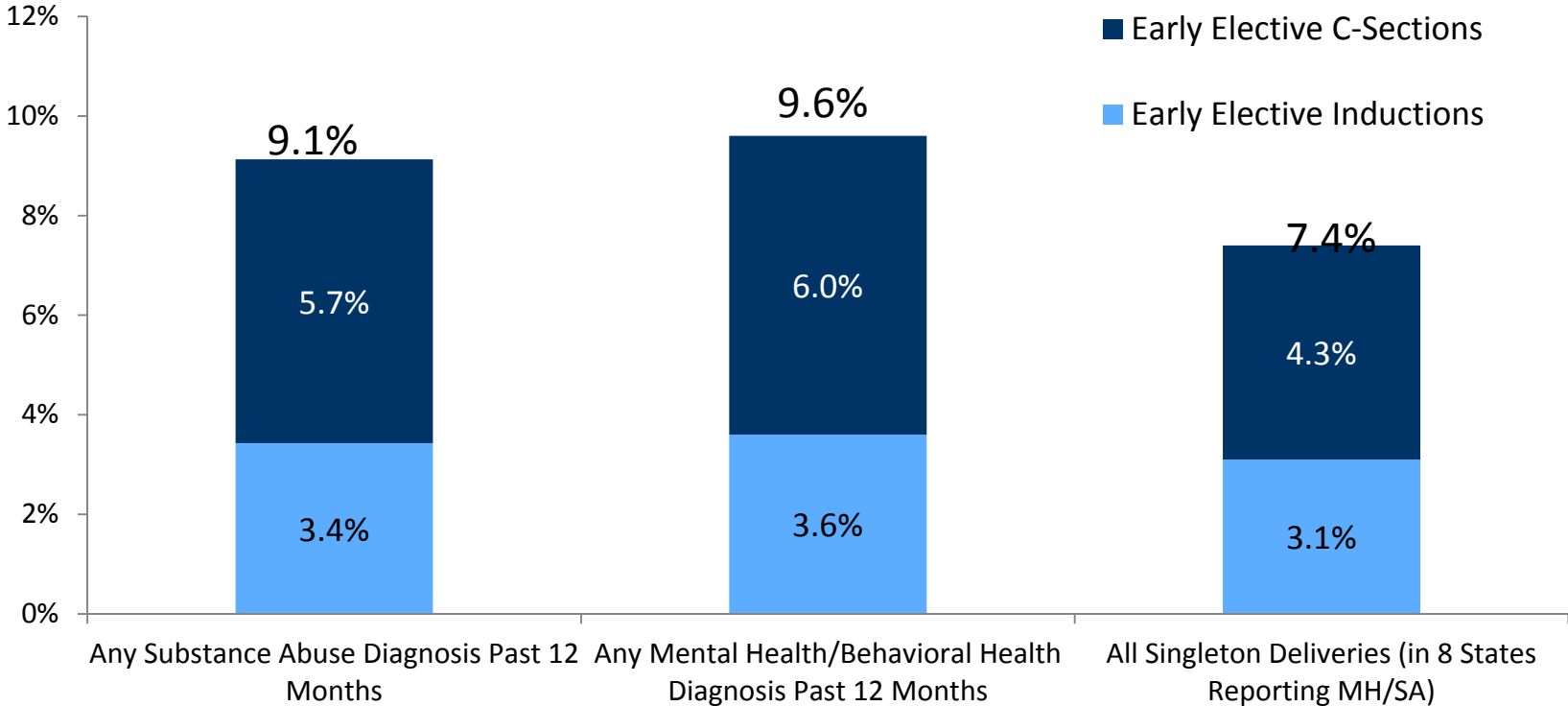
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Mental Health/Behavioral Health/Substance Abuse Diagnosis

Rates of Early Elective C-Section Were Higher than Rates of Early Elective Induction for these Mothers

Percentage of Mothers with an Early Elective Delivery by Type, by Mental Health/Behavioral Health/Substance Abuse Diagnosis



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