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VIETNAMESE RESIDENTS MORE LIKELY THAN ANY OTHER GROUP IN ORANGE COUNTY, CA TO SUPPORT REDISTRIBUTIVE POLICIES

Across Multiple Questions, Vietnamese Voters Say
Government Should Be More Active in Addressing
Economic Inequality and Racism

▶ Learn more about the 2022 Research Brief titled
***Vietnamese Voices from Orange County, CA:
Narratives of Community, Government, and Change***



" Using both focus groups and survey data, this rigorous study counters simplistic narratives of Orange County's Vietnamese Americans, especially the first generation, and reveals their complex viewpoints on vital economic, political, and social issues.

Their voices need to be heard by policy makers, politicians, and younger generations who have the capacity to brighten the future of the Little Saigon community. "

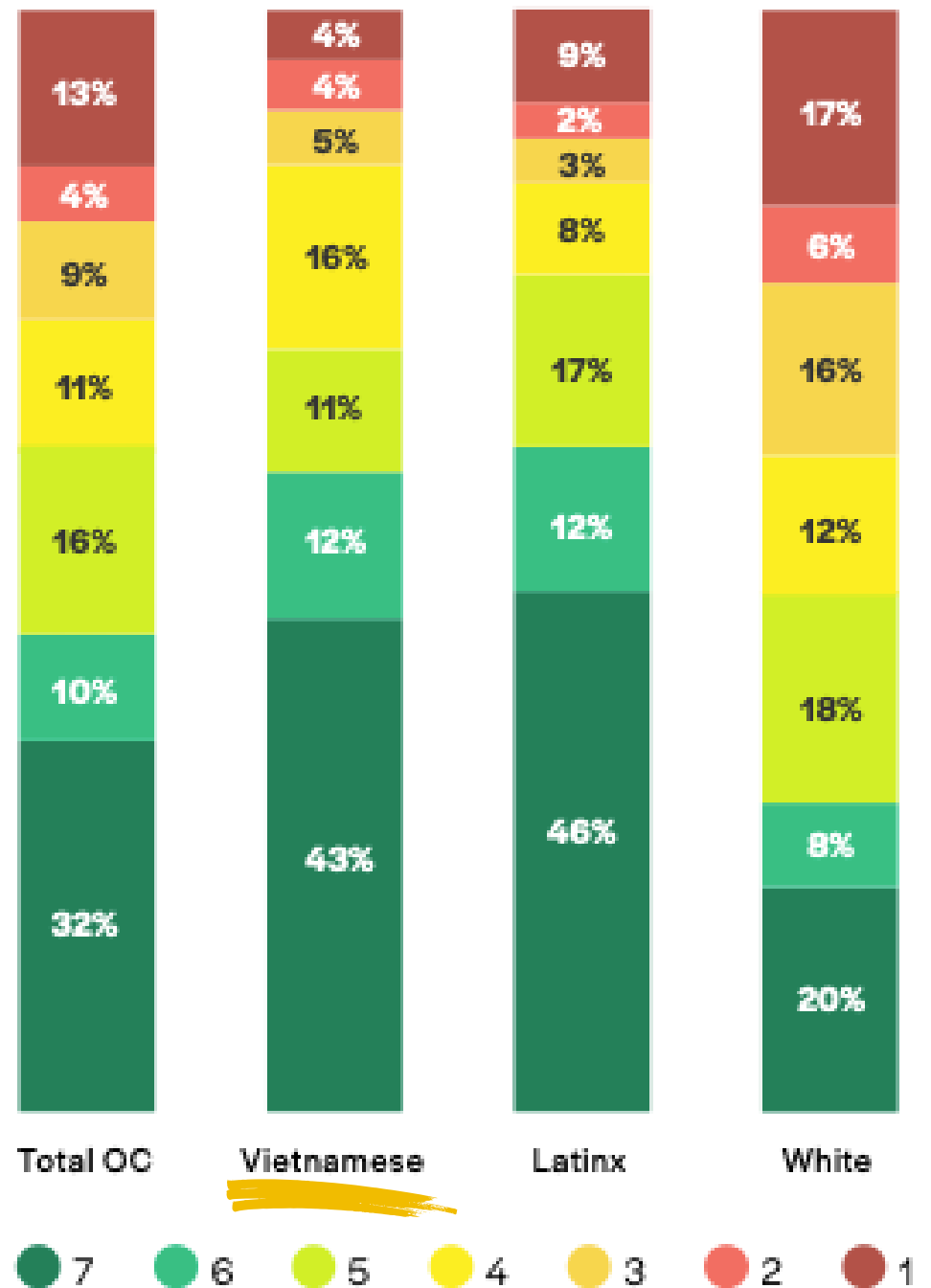
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OBI's survey of Orange County found that **Vietnamese residents are more likely than any other group to support economic redistributive policies.**

MORE GOVERNMENT SERVICES (7) OR LESS SERVICES (1), ORANGE COUNTY, BY RACE/ETHNICITY



Through follow-up focus groups with Vietnamese-speaking political independents, **the brief shows not only that these views are widespread**, but also the key values and narratives underpinning them.

Findings on not only economic inequality, but also generational change in the Vietnamese community and racism in the U.S., **cut against conventional wisdoms** about the views of Vietnamese constituencies.

"A lot of assumptions about what Vietnamese Americans believe government should be are made by political consultants and political interests. **Those assumptions often turn into public policy that doesn't reflect the beliefs and needs of the community.**

While many local elected officials who represent large Vietnamese communities have failed to address economic inequality and racism, this report shows that Vietnamese Americans in Orange County want change in those areas. And **with their own voice, they have shared what should be the solutions: economic redistributive policies and initiatives to address racism.**"

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Executive Director of VietRISE



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