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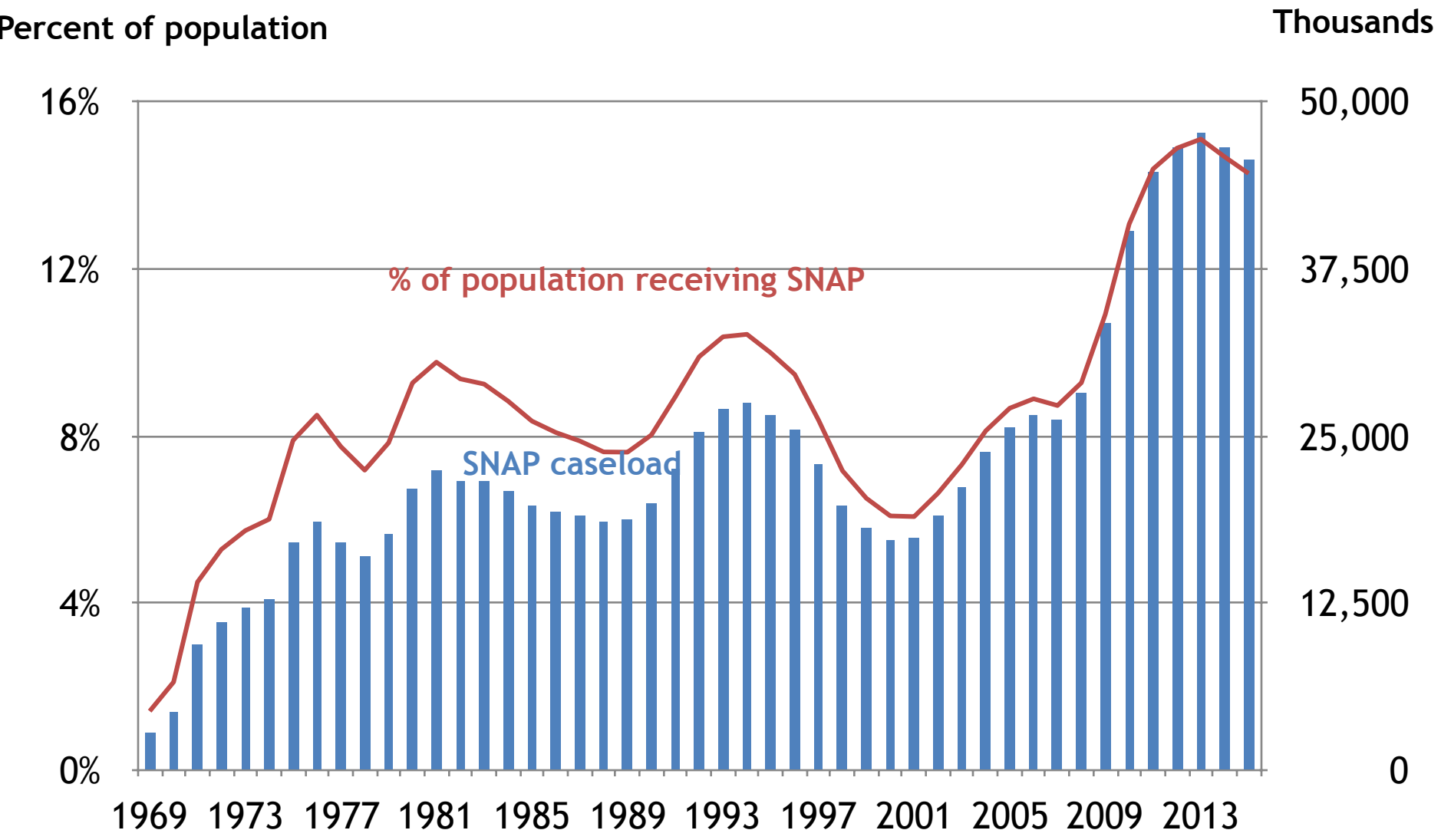
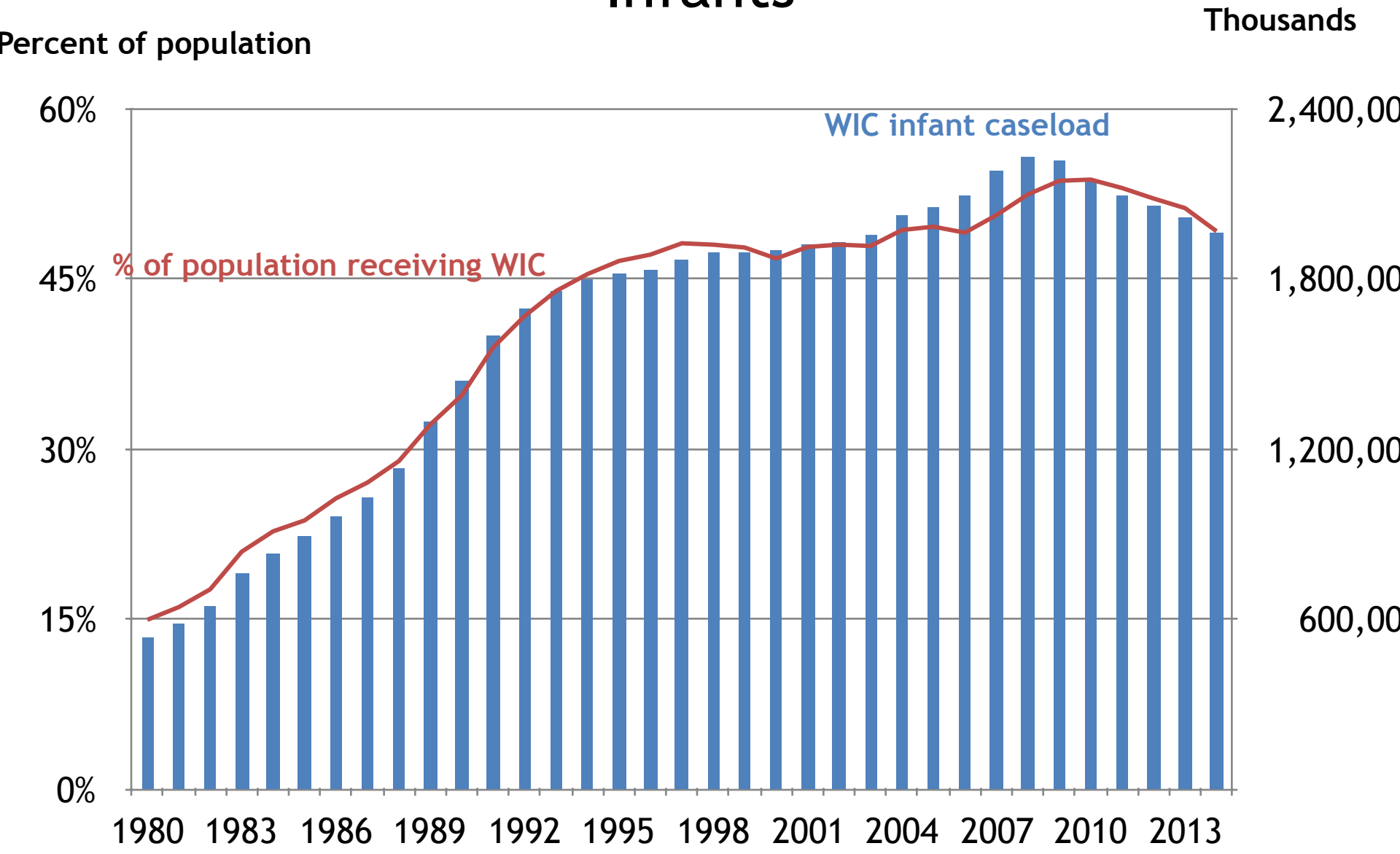
Growth in SNAP



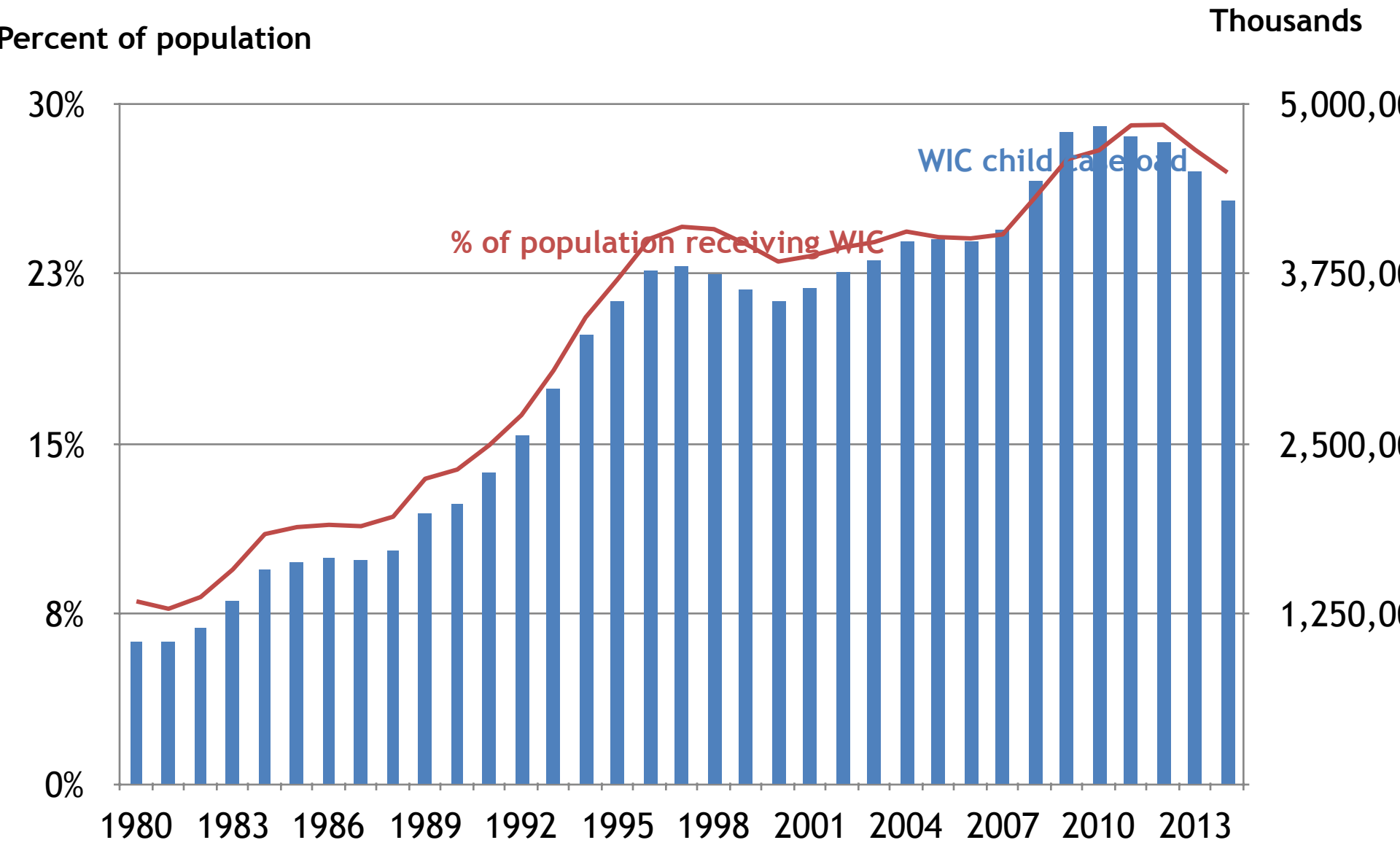
Growth in WIC Caseload

Infants



Growth in WIC Caseload

Children 1-5



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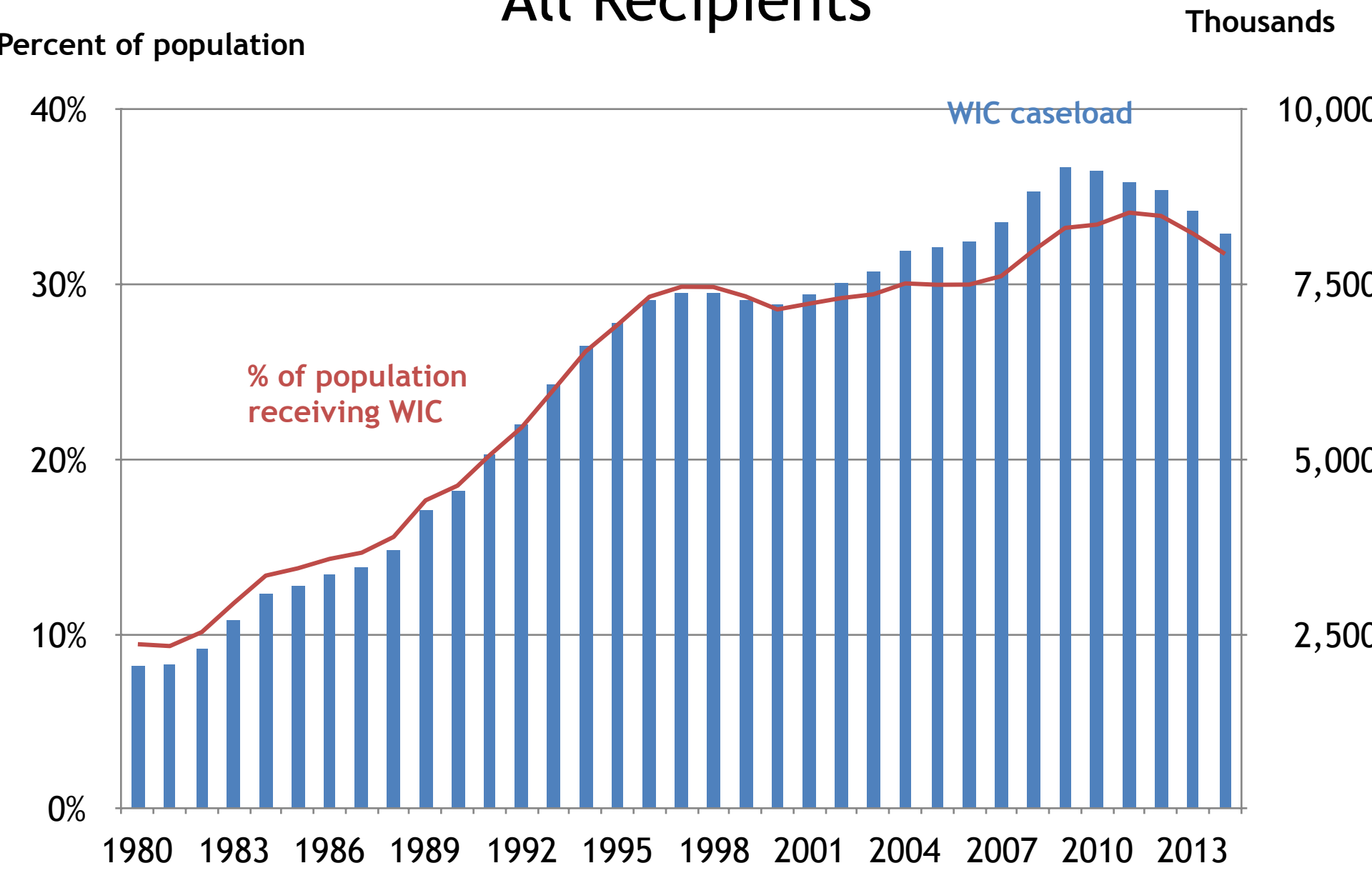
All Recipients



Causes of WIC Caseload Growth

- The economy
- Demographics
- Cursory/Selective income verification
- Definitional laxity
  - Economic unit
  - Income period
- Extended certification periods
  - Infants: Up to one year (at state option)
  - Children 1-5: Up to one year (at state option)
- Adjunctive eligibility
- Lax enforcement of nutritional risk

Federal Involvement in Child Welfare

The Role of Differential Reimbursement Rates

- Race and the “suitable home rule”
- Mandatory reporting of child abuse and neglect (i.e. inadequate parenting
- Separation of social services and income maintenance
- Federally mandated foster care reviews
- Permanency/Guardianship/Adoption subsidies
- TANF and child-only cases