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Beyond ObamaCare: Evolution and Changes for Healthcare in Puerto Rico

Making the Data Work for Us

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Outline

- 1) Updates on Cost of Living and Migration
- 2) Strengthening the Framework that Makes Data Work for the needs of Puerto Rico
- 3) Research Agenda to Support Policy Analysis and to Improve our Bargaining Position

Cost of Living in San Juan, PR MSA

In comparison with the average cost-of-living in the United States:

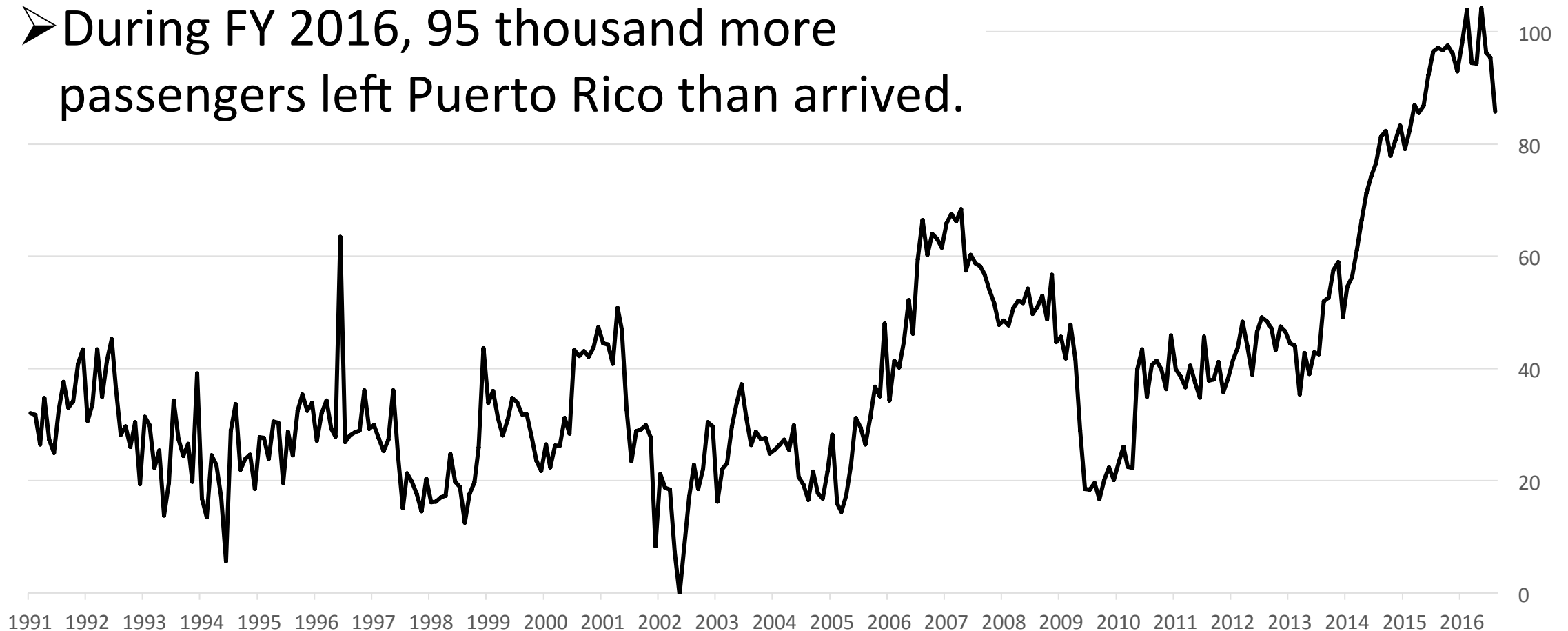
- Overall 8% higher
- Groceries 22% higher
- Housing 7% less
- Utilities 64% higher
- Health Care 45% less

San Juan, PR MSA is ranked 50 in terms of its cost-of-living, out of a total 296 similar metropolitan areas in the U.S.

Source: Cost of Living Index, Center for Community and Economic Research,
2012-2013

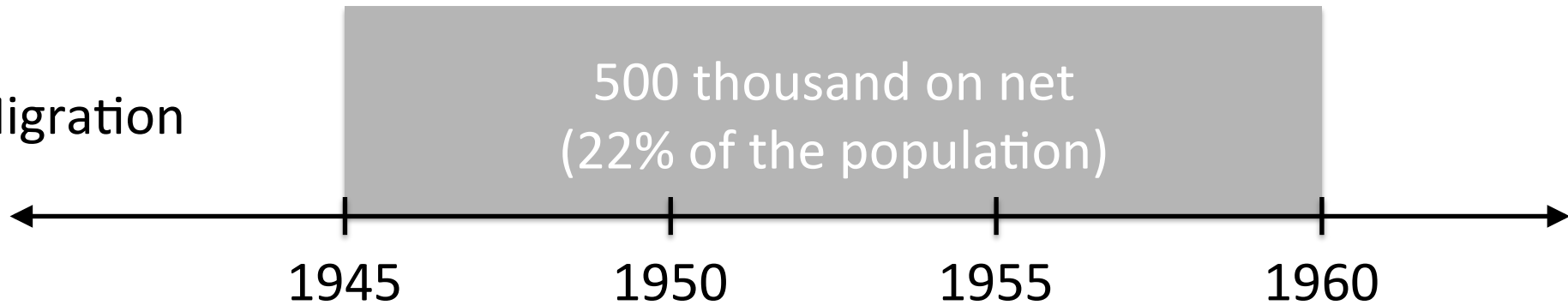
Net outward migration remains very high

- During FY 2016, 95 thousand more passengers left Puerto Rico than arrived.

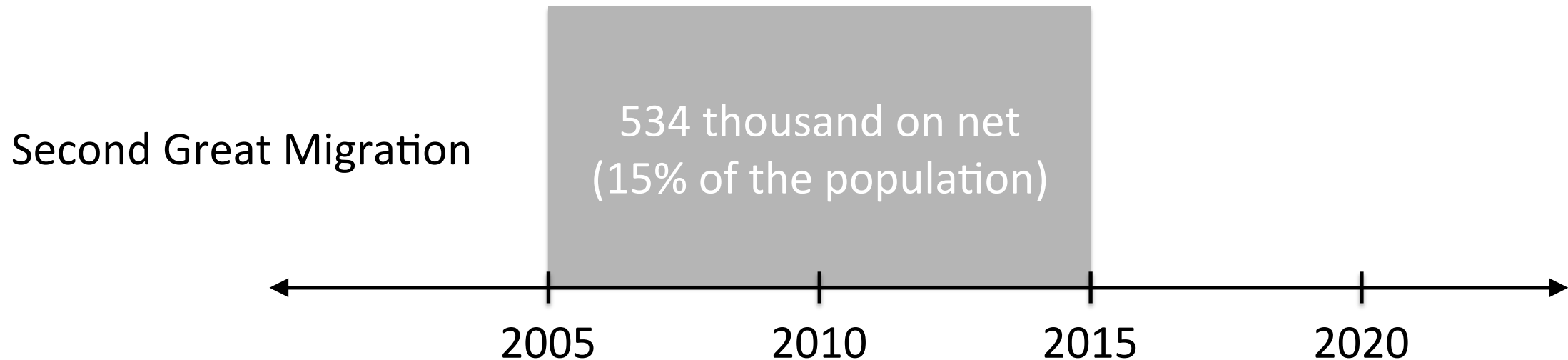
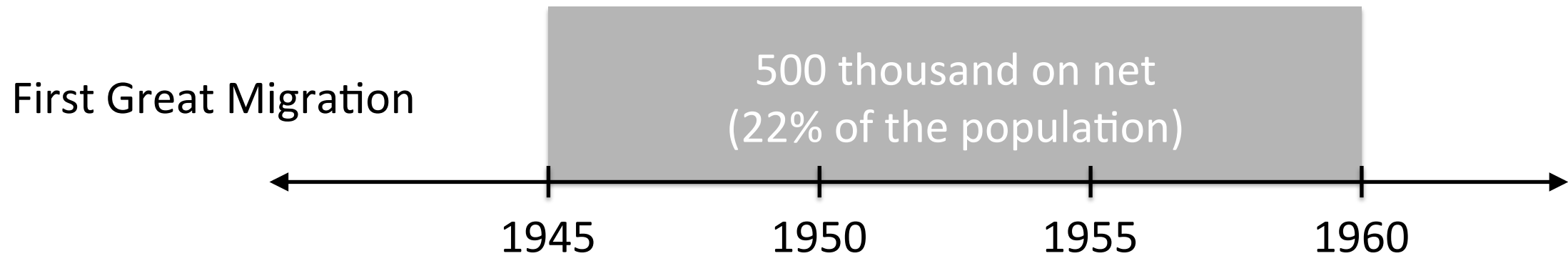


Historical Context of the Great Migrations

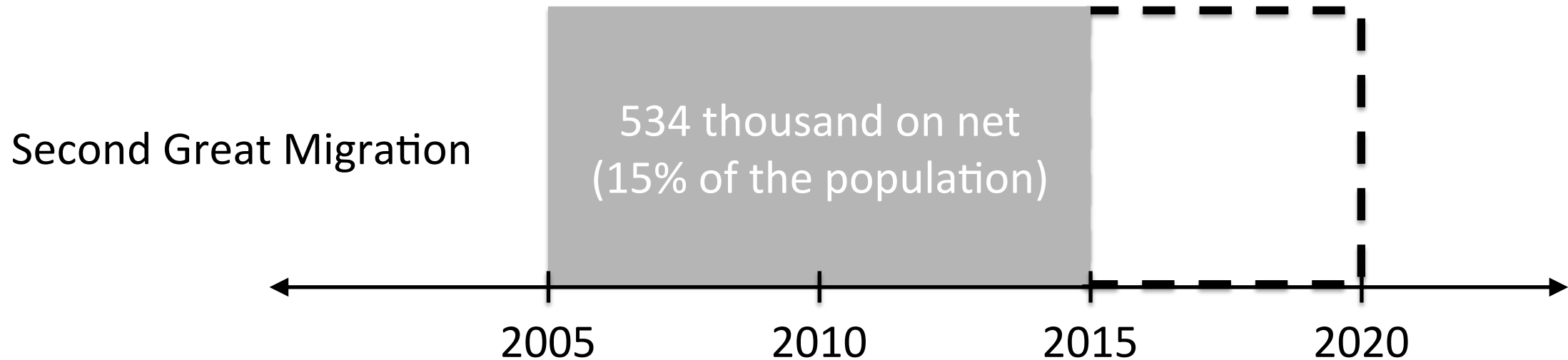
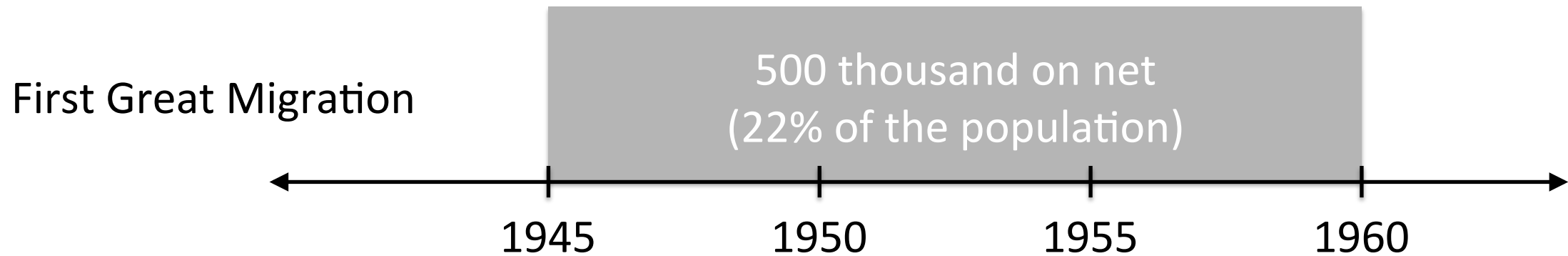
First Great Migration



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Some implications

- More Puerto Rico patients will receive health care in the U.S. under the cost structure that exists there.
- Less doctors in Puerto Rico available for providing health care in Puerto Rico.
- Less taxpayers in Puerto Rico to fund health care and pay debts.

Strengthening the Framework that Makes Data Work for the needs of Puerto Rico

Final Report – PROMESA Congressional Task Force on Econ. Growth

“In its numerous meetings with federal agencies, the Task Force heard that the Puerto Rico Institute of Statistics, which was established under Puerto Rico law in 2003 but did not begin operating until 2007, has emerged as a highly professional, autonomous, and apolitical organization that is bringing greater transparency to economic, financial and fiscal conditions on the island. Recognizing that the government of Puerto Rico faces a difficult fiscal environment, the Task Force recommends that the government of Puerto Rico consider appropriating a level of funding to the Puerto Rico Institute of Statistics that is commensurate with its important responsibilities. The Task Force also recommends that the Institute of Statistics continue to protect its independence...”

Strengthening the Framework that Makes Data Work for the needs of Puerto Rico

- PS 12 (Promote attraction of alternative resources)
- PS 13 (Ethical standards for government statisticians)
- PS 14 (Strengthen independence of PRIS)
- PS 15 (Training program for government statisticians)
- PS 16 (PRIS budget autonomy)

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- PS 17 (Administrative fines)
- PS 18 (Civil actions)
- PS 19 (Financial Transparency System)
- PS 20 (PRIS Inclusion in Criminal Justice Info System)
- PS 236 (Puerto Rico Open Data Law)

Research Agenda to Support Policy Analysis and to Improve our Bargaining Position

- Medicare Reimbursement Rates
- Permanent Physician Statistics Program
- Multi-sector Council on Health System of Puerto Rico (Puerto Rico Law 235-2015)
- The Search for Parity



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