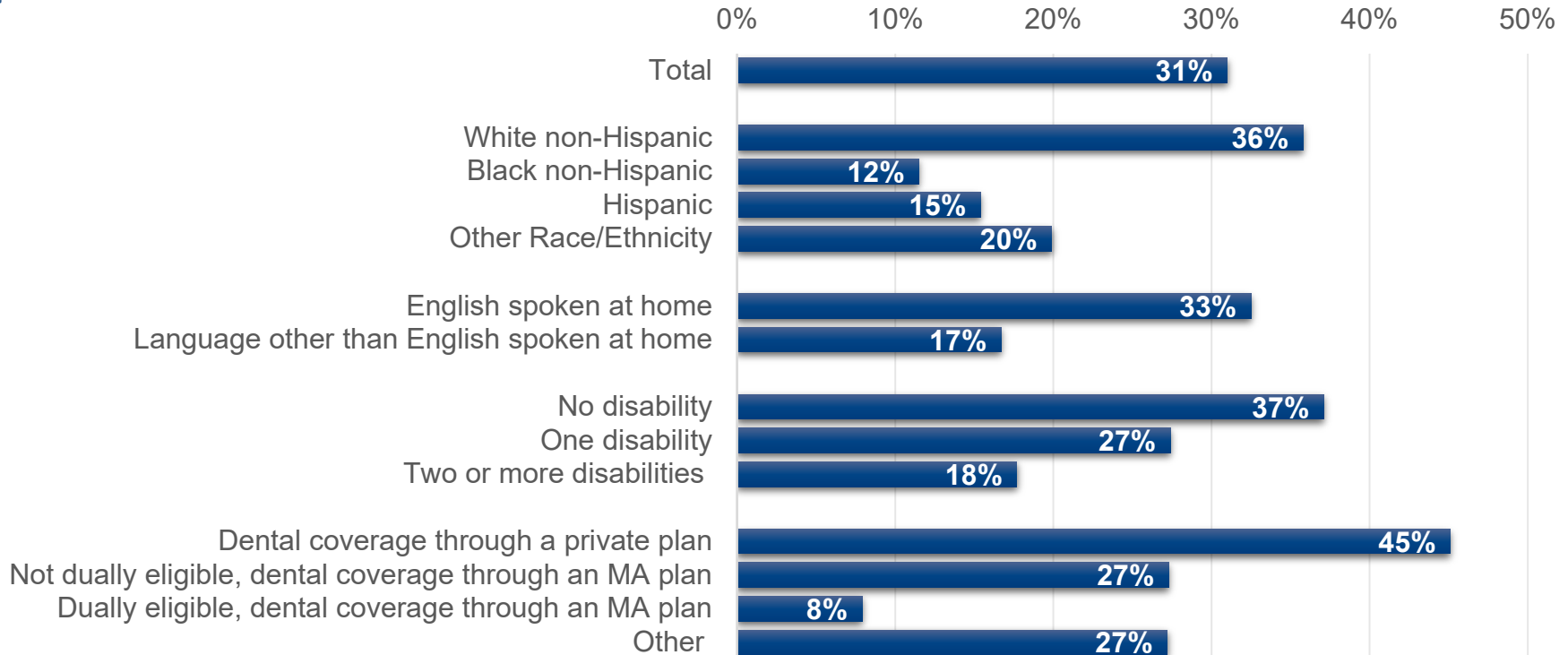


## Oral Cancer Screening Among Medicare Beneficiaries Living in the Community

This infographic shows percentage of Medicare beneficiaries living in the community who had an oral/mouth cancer screening in 2021.

31 percent of Medicare beneficiaries living in the community had an oral/mouth cancer screening in 2021.



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