

Massachusetts Substance Abuse Treatment Outcomes



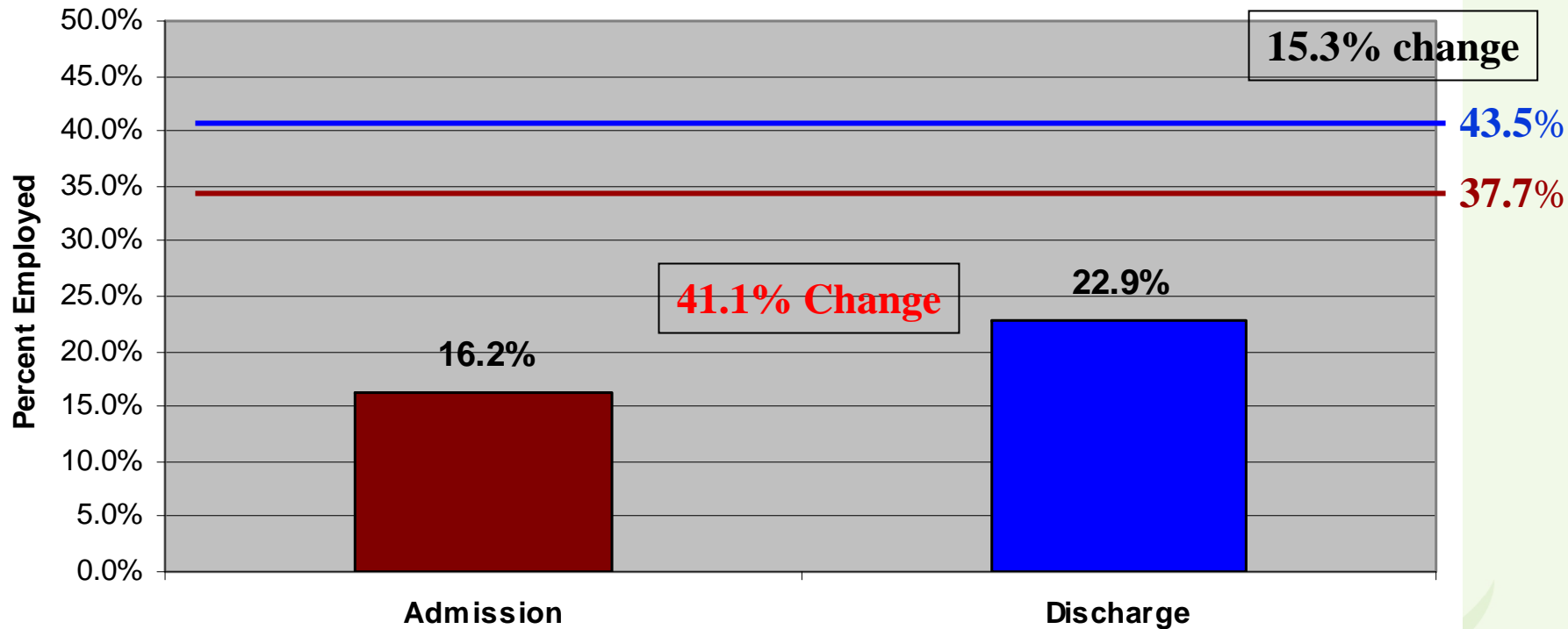
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Overview



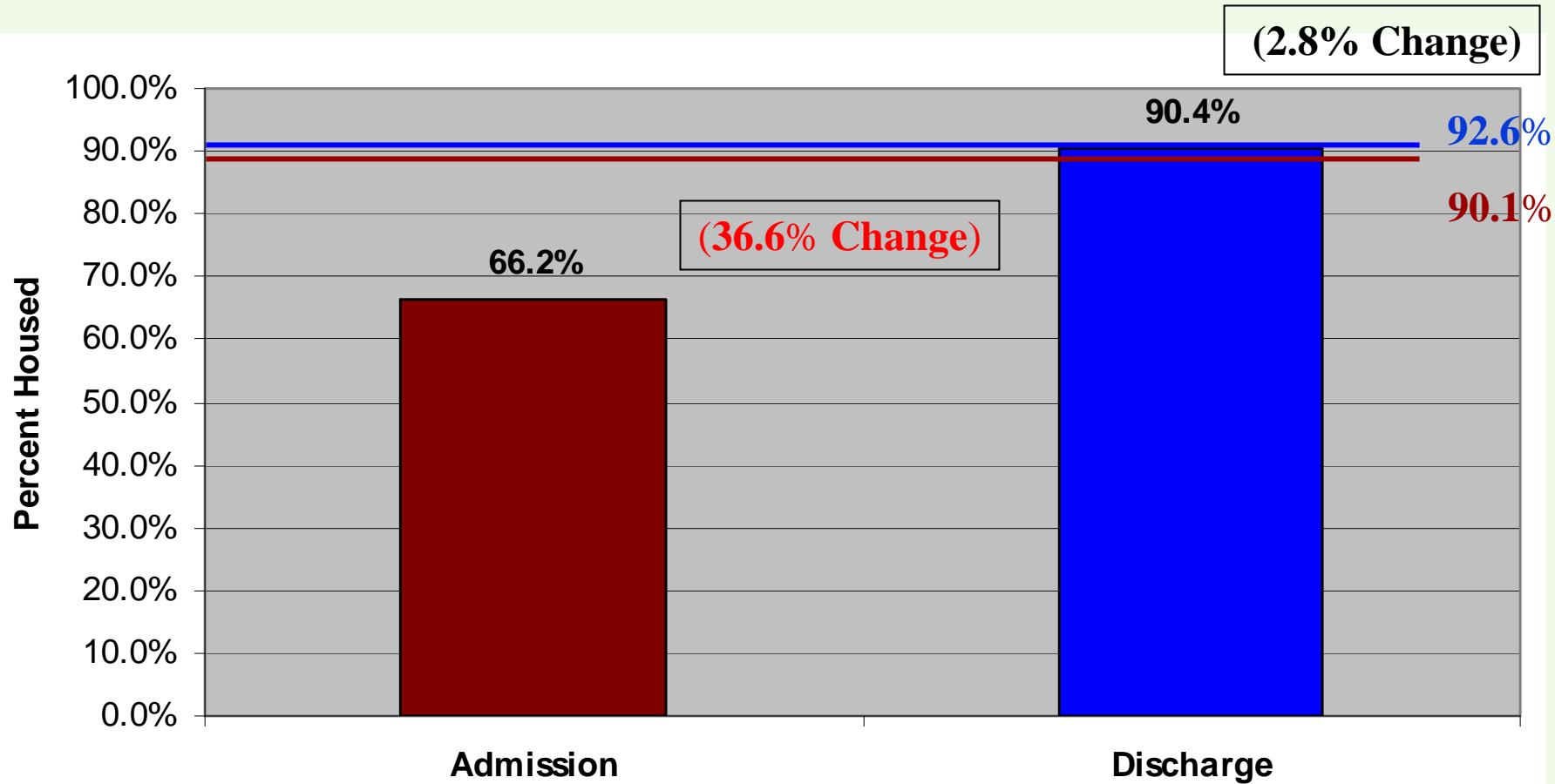
- **These data are as reported on the FY 2009 Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant.**
- **They measure the change in status from admission to discharge.**
- **The process of reporting NOMs, from the national perspective, is new and it should be noted that not all NOMs are calculated in a standard manner across all states.**
- **Statistics are reported on linked admission and discharge records entered in EIM/ESM from January 1 – June 30, 2008 (N=5853) for all program types except for Acute Treatment Services (Detox) and Methadone Maintenance (per Block Grant instructions).**
- **For each NOM the statistic is calculated on all primary clients unless otherwise noted.**
- **The vertical bars represent measures for MA and the horizontal lines indicate national averages**

Employment Status of Massachusetts Clients at Admission and Discharge



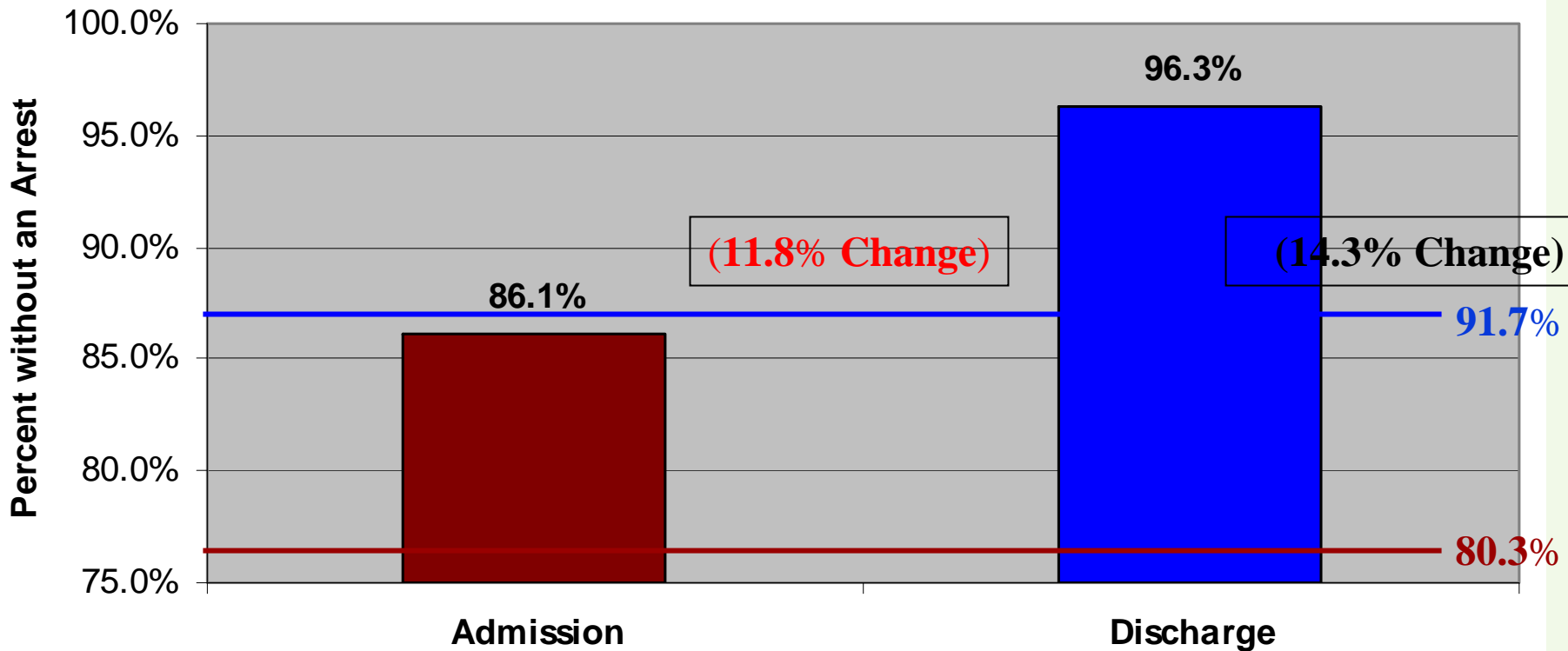
*Massachusetts shows a **41.1% change** as compared to a 15.3% change nationally*

Housing Status of Massachusetts Clients at Admission and Discharge



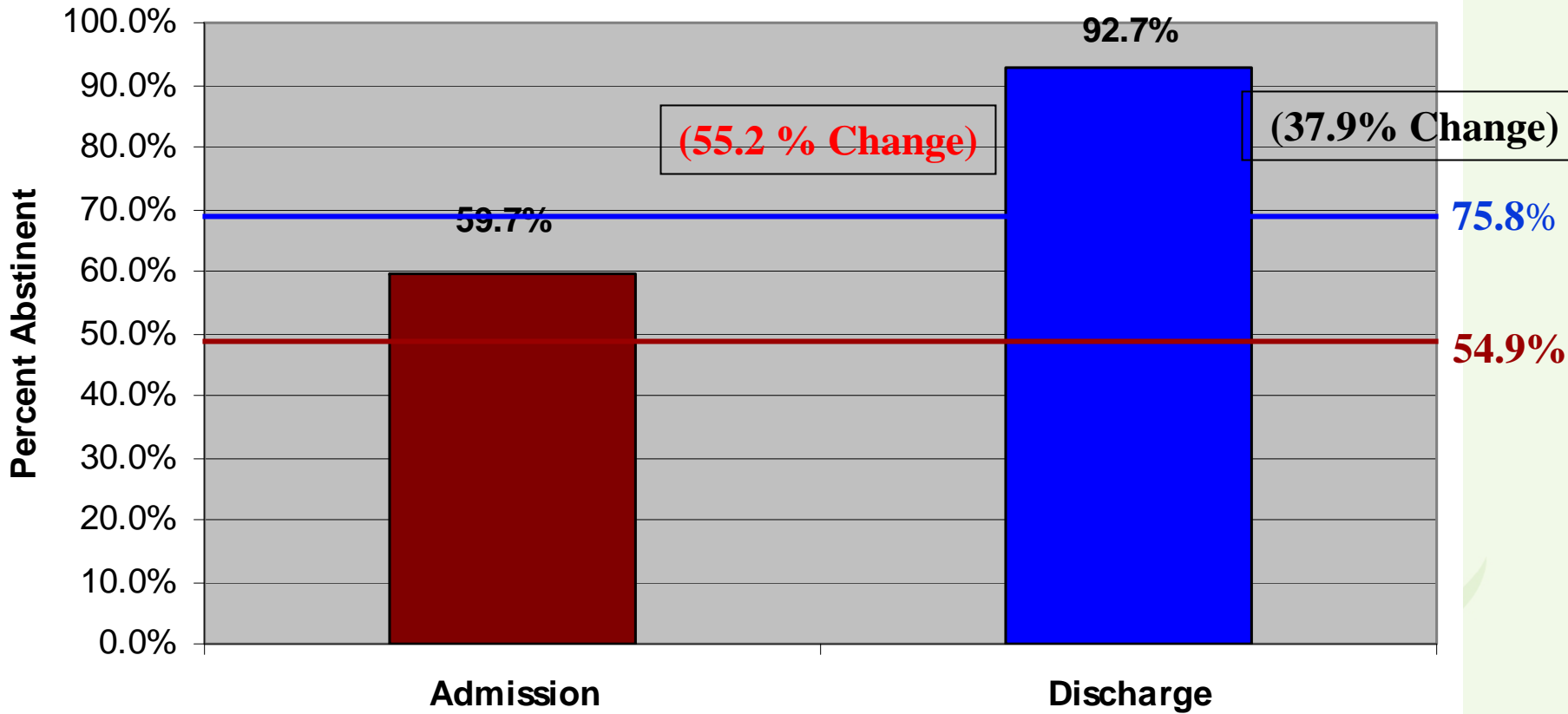
Massachusetts shows a 36.6% change as compared to a 2.8% change nationally

Arrest-free Status of Clients at Admission and Discharge



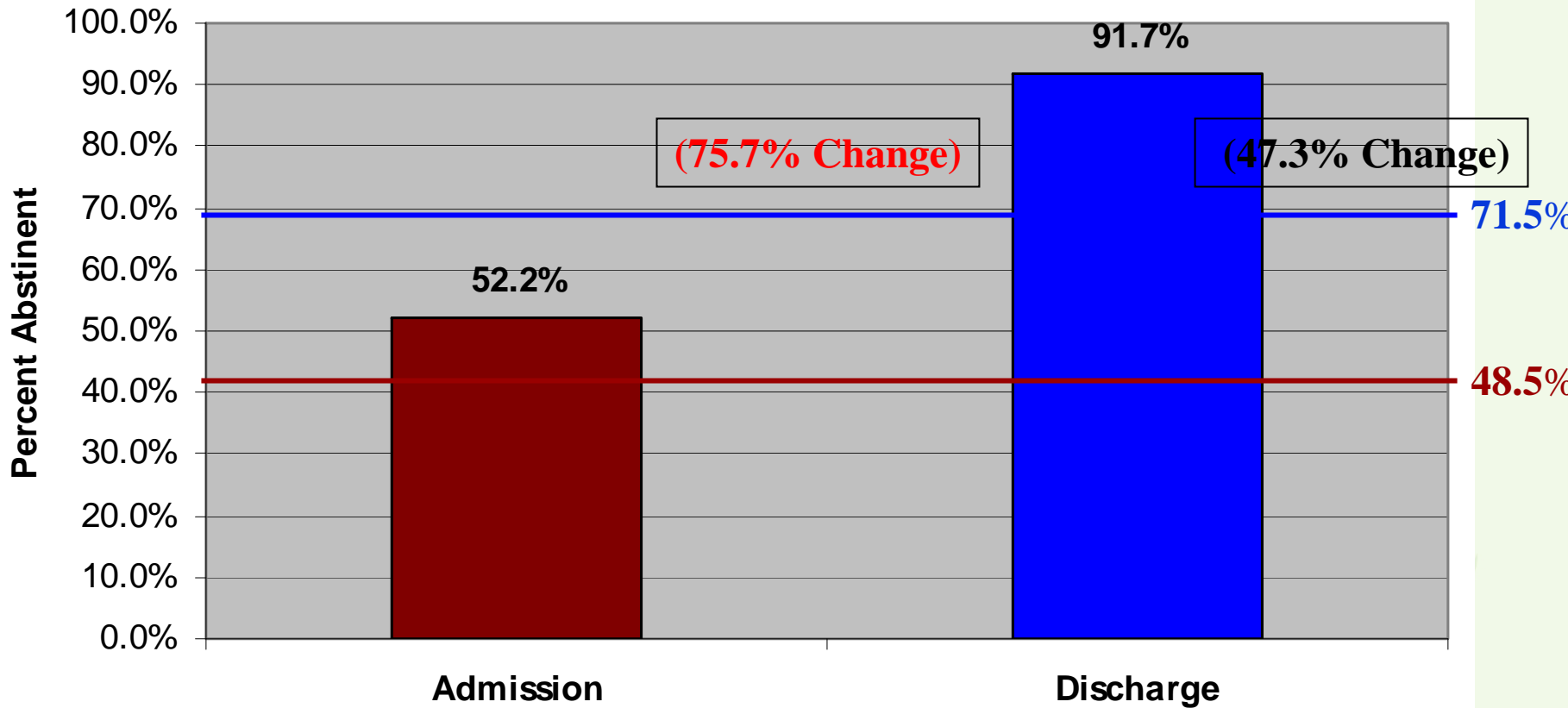
*Massachusetts shows a **11.8% change** as compared to a 14.3% change nationally*

Alcohol Abstinence Status of Clients at Admission and Discharge



*Massachusetts shows a **55.2% change** as compared to a **37.9% change** nationally*

Drug Abstinence Status of Clients at Admission and Discharge



Massachusetts shows a 75.7% change as compared to a 47.3% change nationally

Conclusions

- **Overall, clients accessing services are more acute than the national average**
- **Compared to the national average, Massachusetts shows higher positive percent change on all NOMs except for Arrest-free status**
- **National discussions continue to evolve regarding the definition of these measurements and the applicability of these measures by level of care**