



# LOST GENERATIONS?

## BUILDING WEALTH AMONG AMERICANS



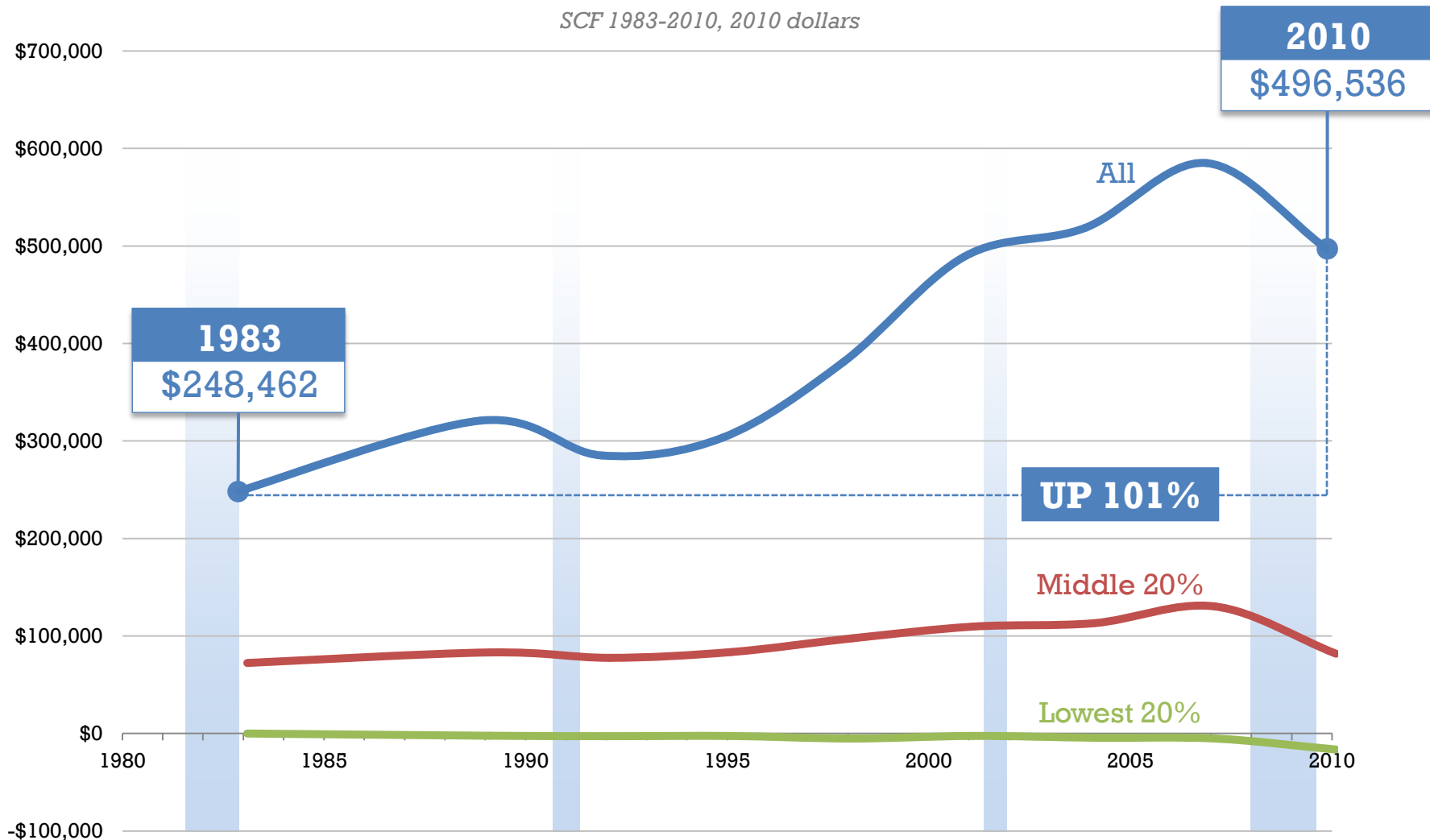
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# Wealth Inequality is Increasing

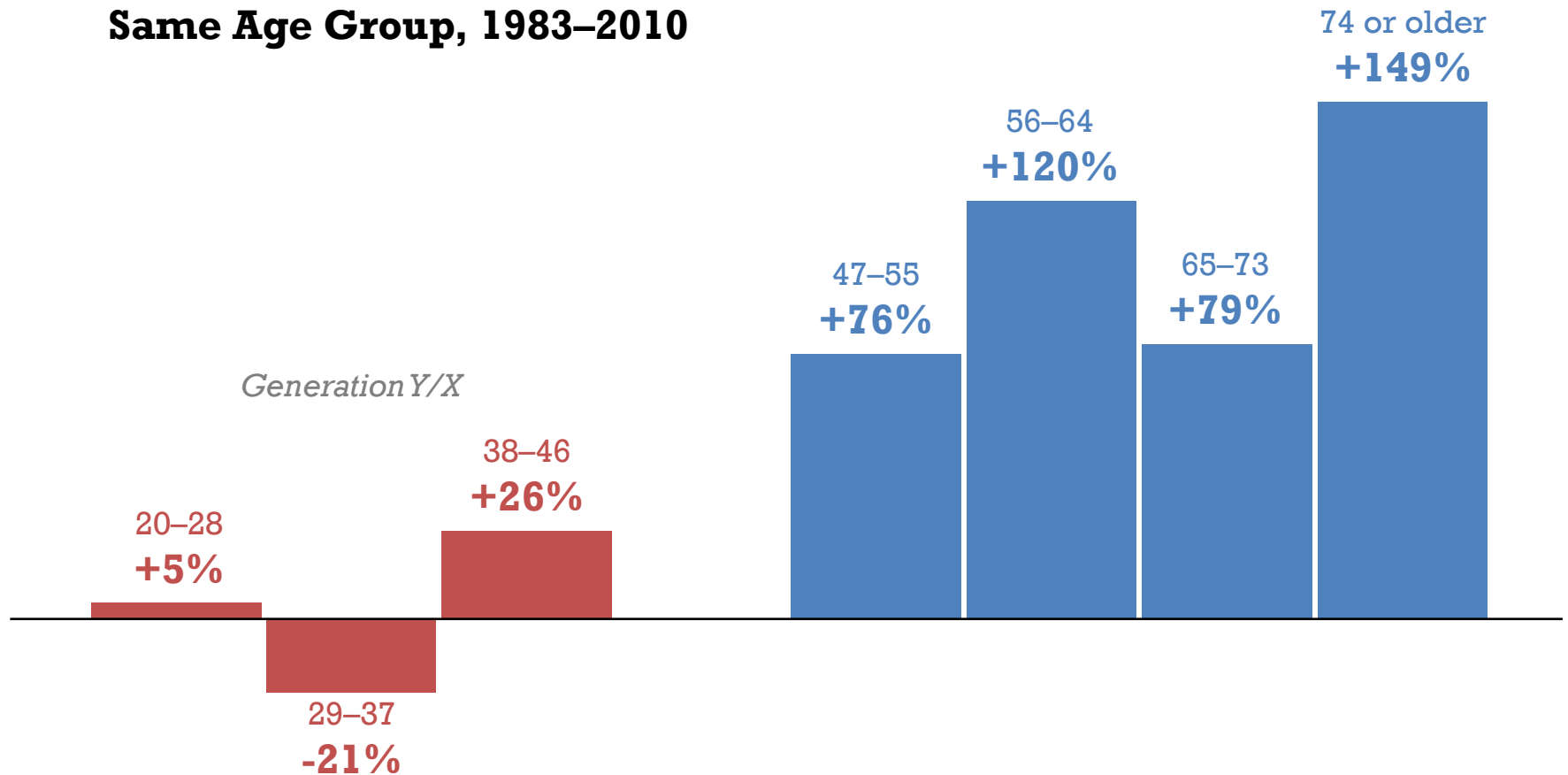
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# Older Generations Accumulate, Younger Generations Stagnate

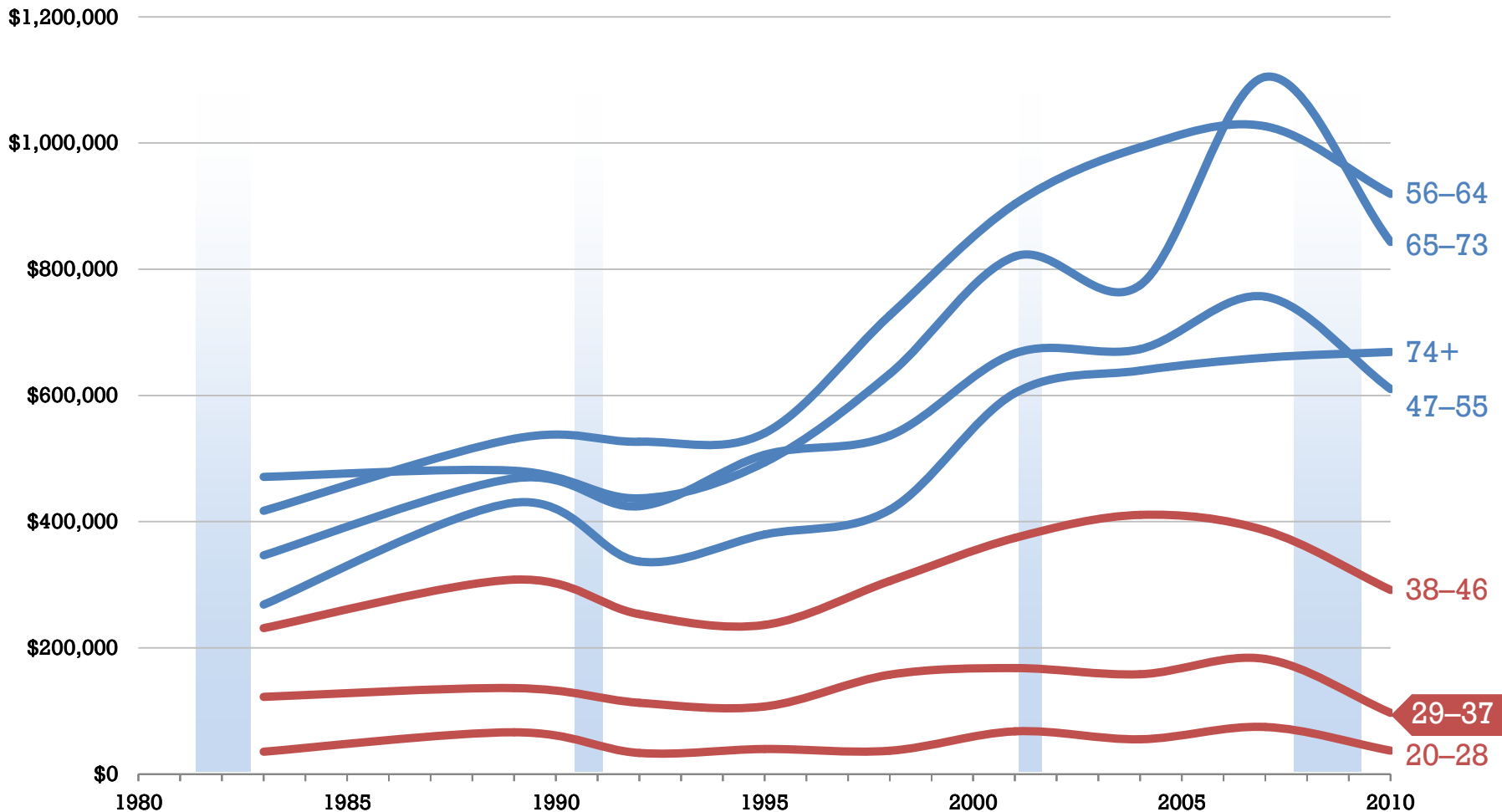
**Change in Average Net Worth  
Same Age Group, 1983–2010**

*Baby Boomers/Silent Generation*



# Lost Generations? Falling Behind Before Great Recession

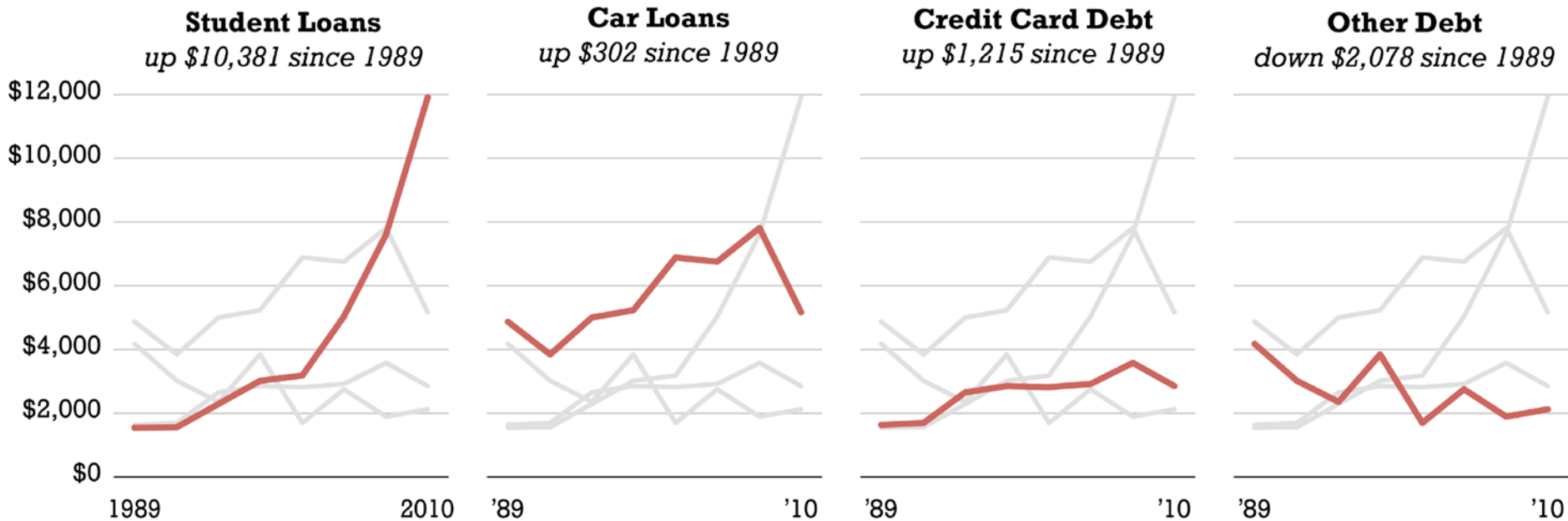
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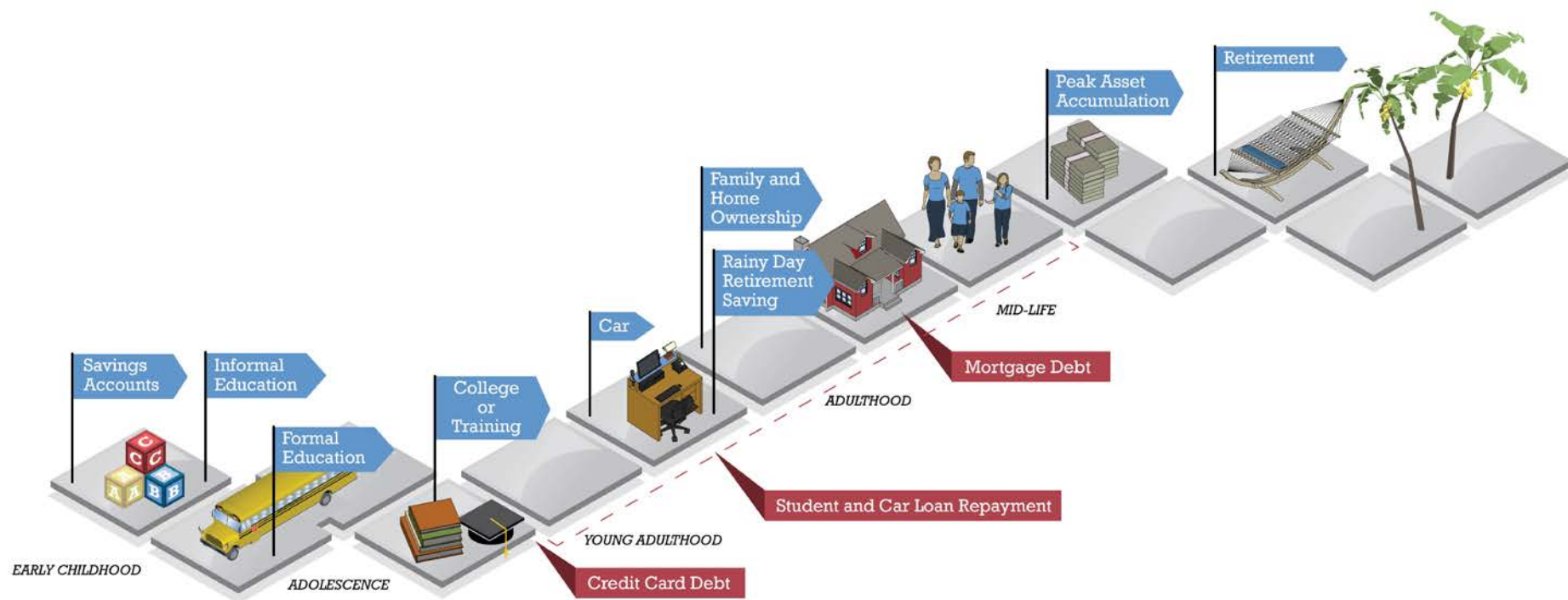
# Lost Generations? A Look at Debt

## Average Family Debt of 29- to 37-Year-Olds, Excluding Mortgage Debt

2010 dollars



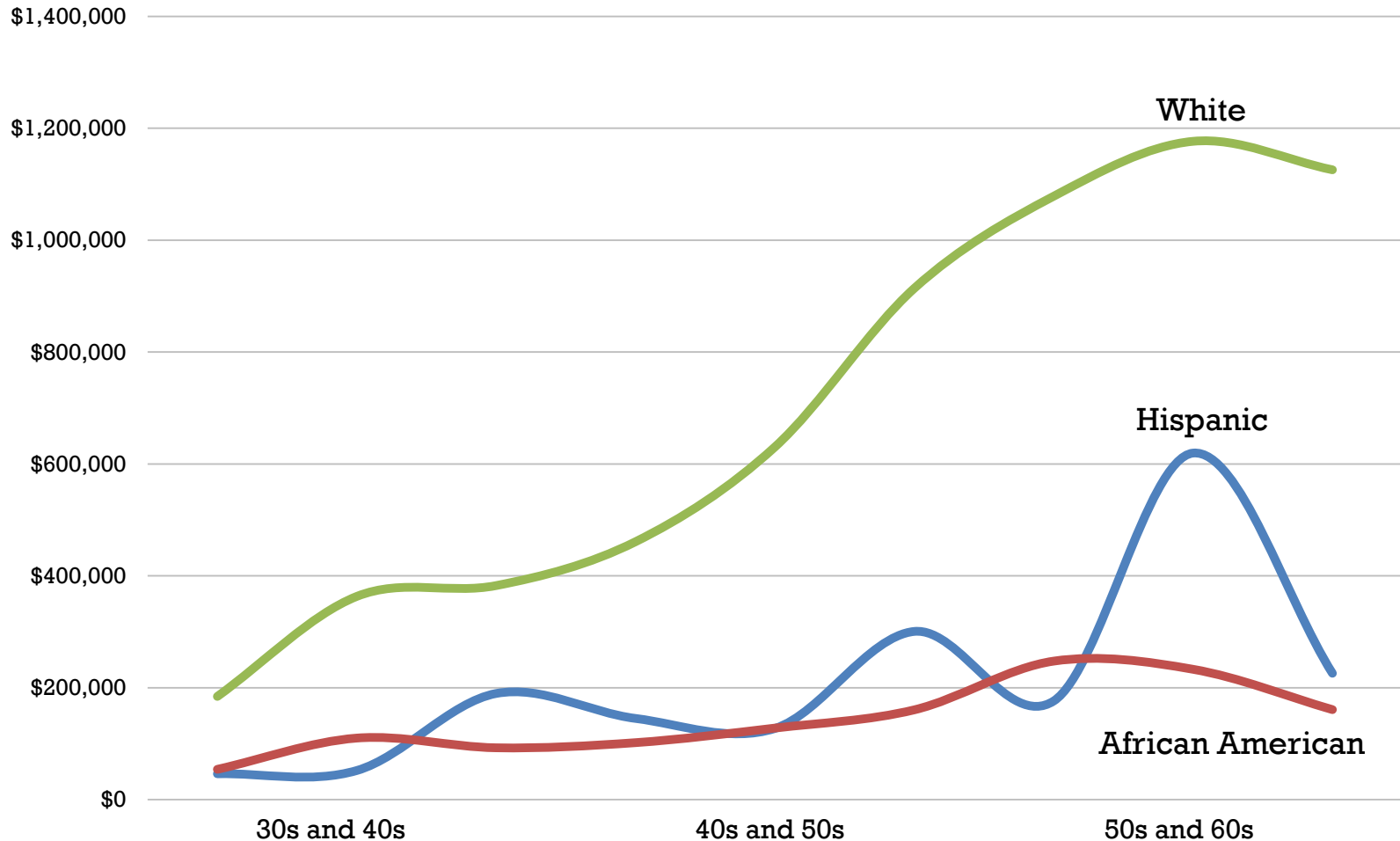
# Building Wealth Over a Lifetime



# Some Not on Wealth Building Path

**Average Family Wealth for Those Born 1943–51 by Race and Ethnicity**

*2010 dollars*











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