

Radicalism in America

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Profiles of Individual Radicalization in the United States (PIRUS) Dataset

- 2,200 radicalized individuals & 140 variables
- Radicalized Individuals: People within the United States who have either committed ideologically motivated violent/non-violent acts, or people who have joined or associated with designated terrorist or extremist organizations.

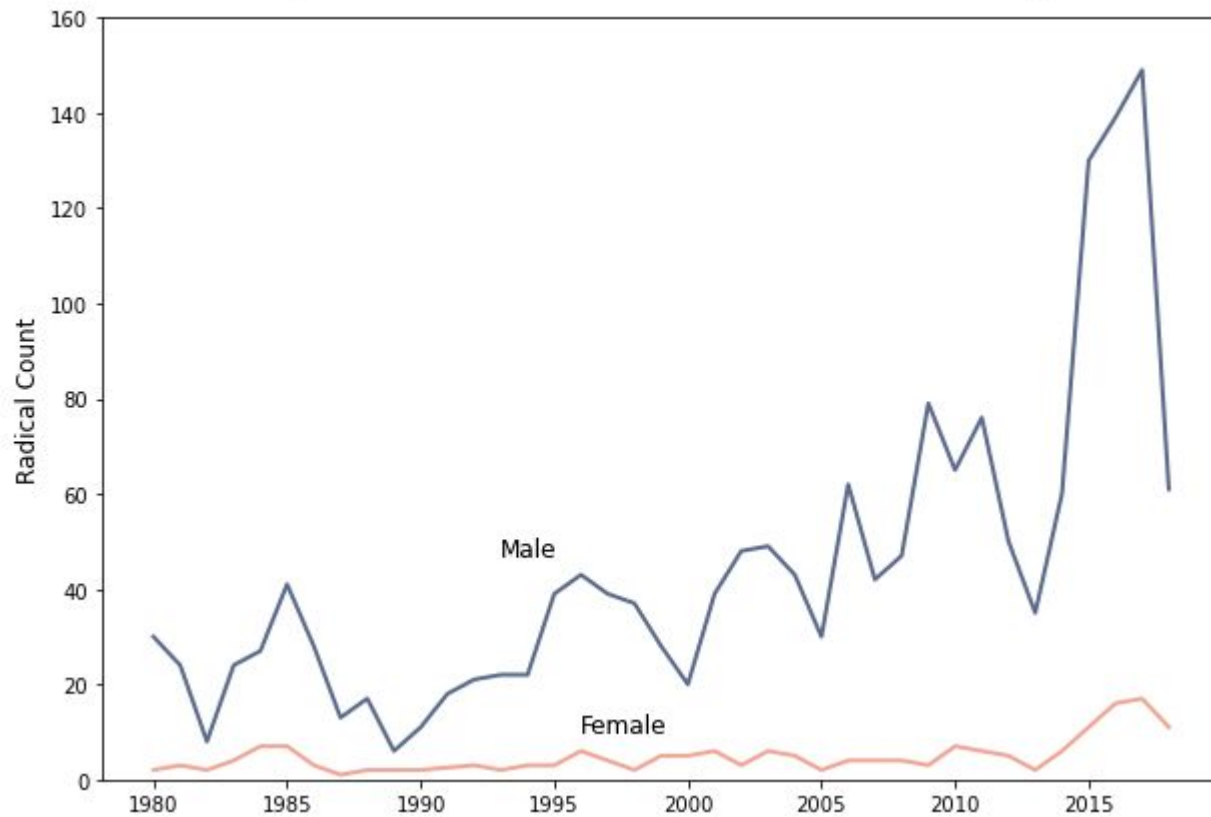
Brain Drain Dataset

- Includes gross brain drain, gross brain gain, and net brain drain for all states in the US from 1940 - 2017

Initial Hypothesis

We expect that radicalization has increased over the years.

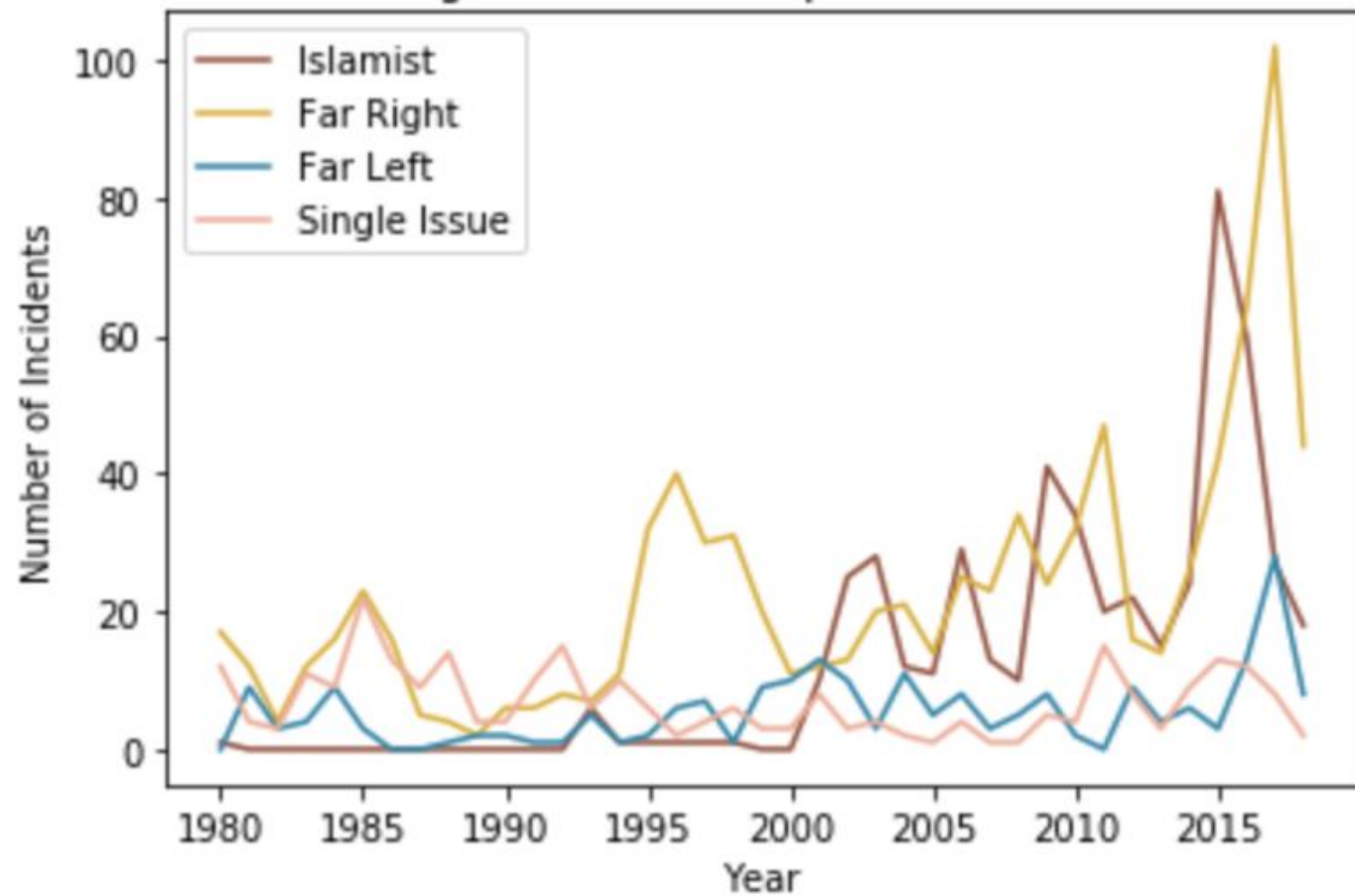
Increasing radicalization from 1980 to 2018 by Gender



Radical Ideology Hypothesis

We expect that far right extremists and Islamists will have more instances of radicalization than left-wing radicals.

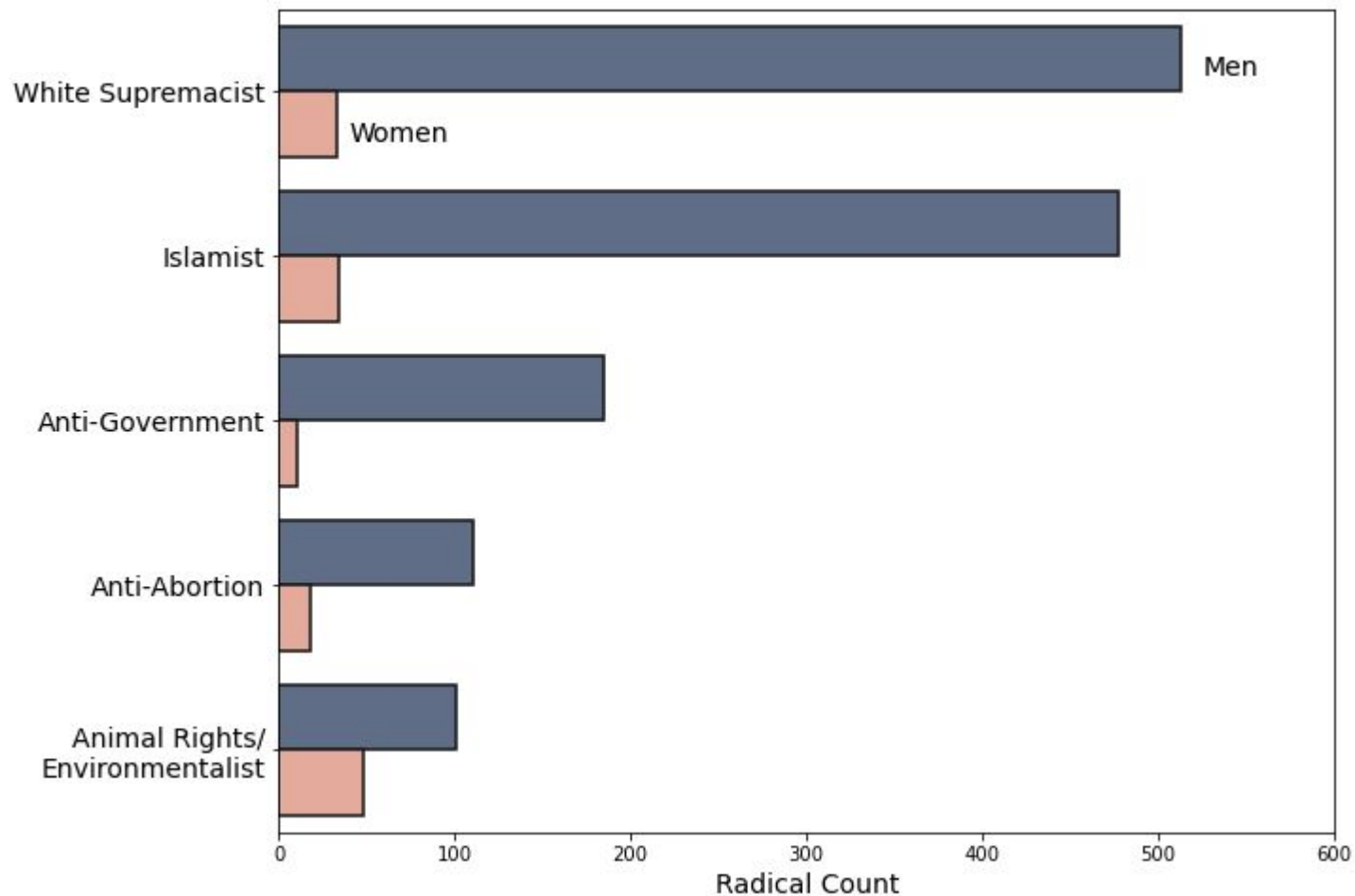
The Number of Far Right Incidents Surpassed Islamists Incidents in 2014



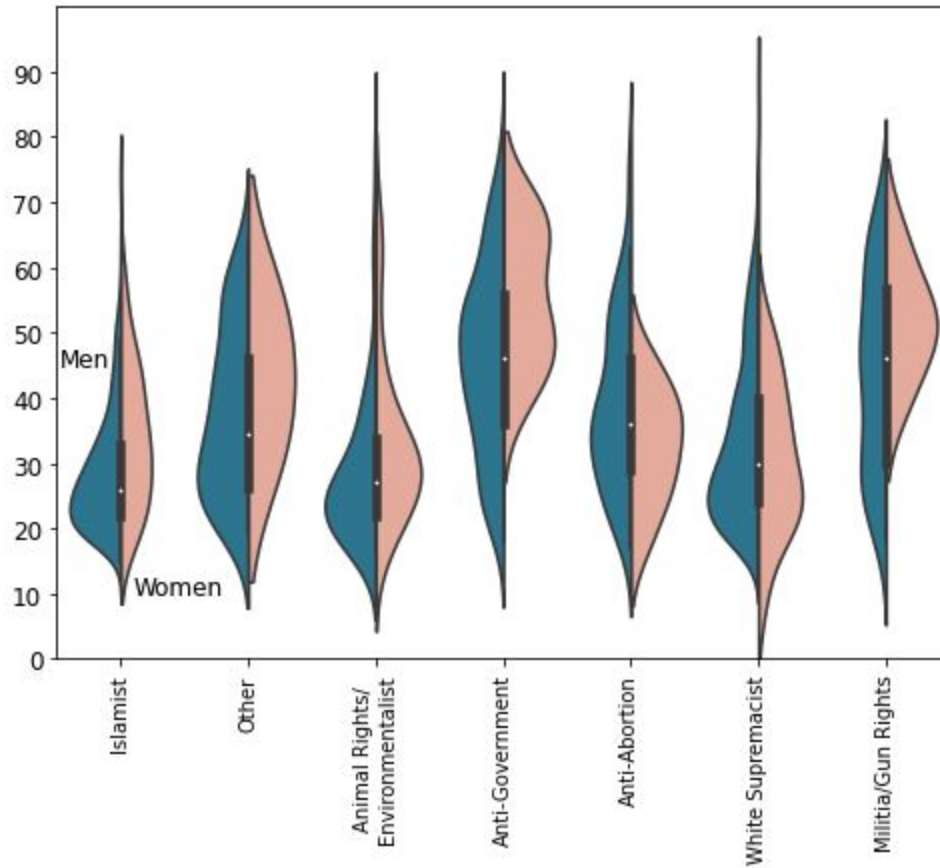
Gender & Ideology Hypothesis

We expect that Islamists and White Supremacists will be the most common ideology among radicalized men and women.

White Supremacy is the #1 Radical Ideology for Men



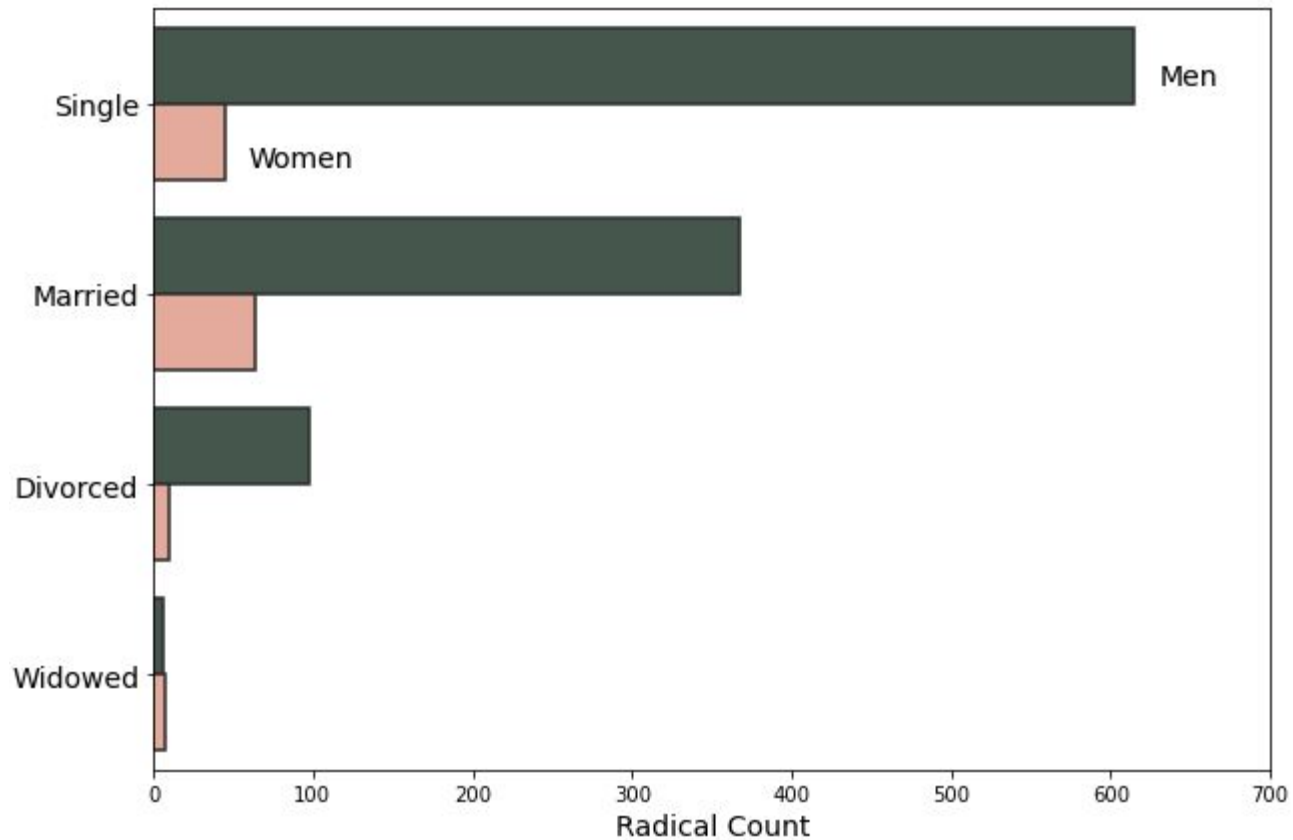
Age Distributions Vary Among the Top 7 Radical Ideologies



Gender & Relationship Status Hypothesis

We expect that single people will be the most prone to radicalization.

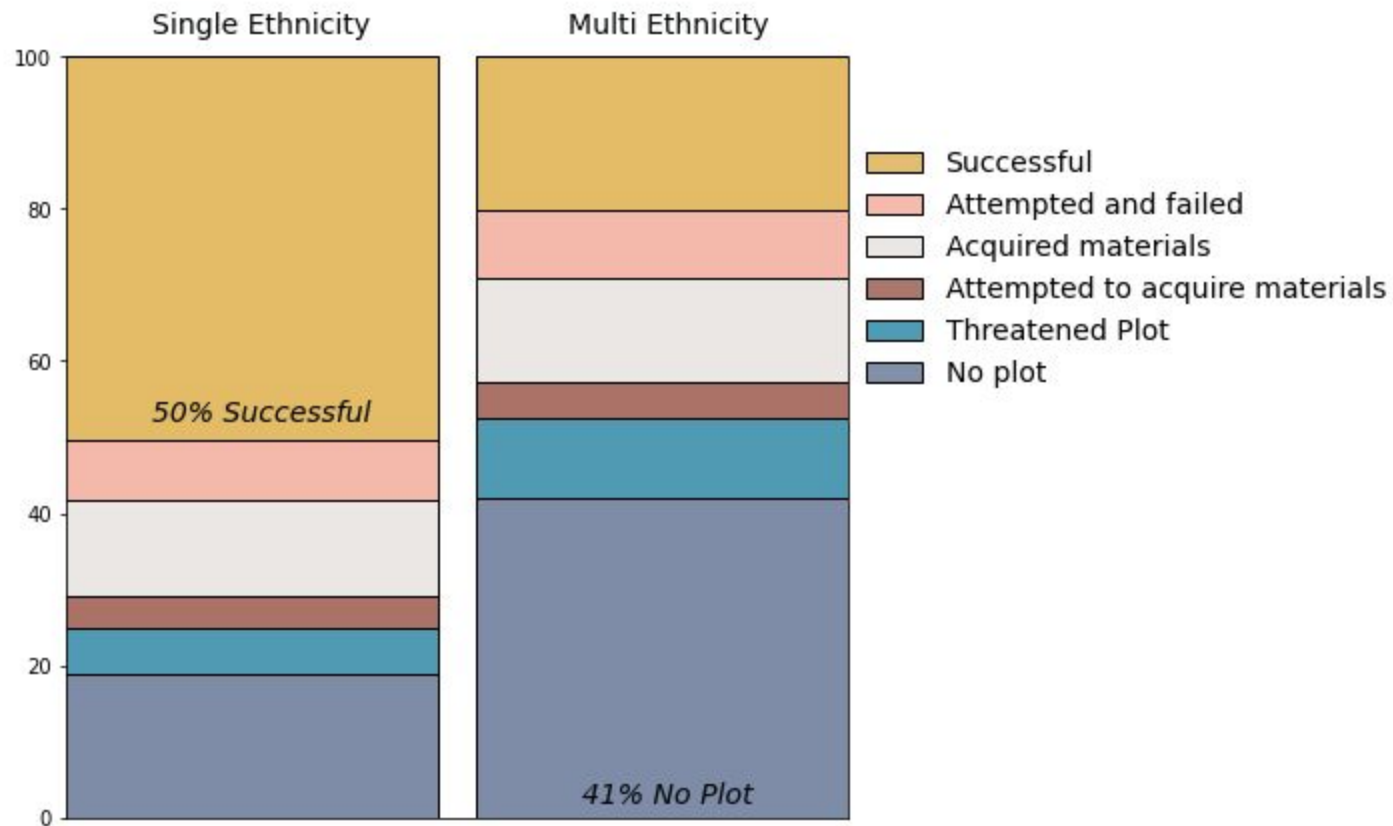
Single Men are most susceptible to radicalization



Ethnicity & Terrorist Group Hypothesis

We expect that ethnically diverse terrorist groups enact more successful terrorist plots than single ethnicity groups.

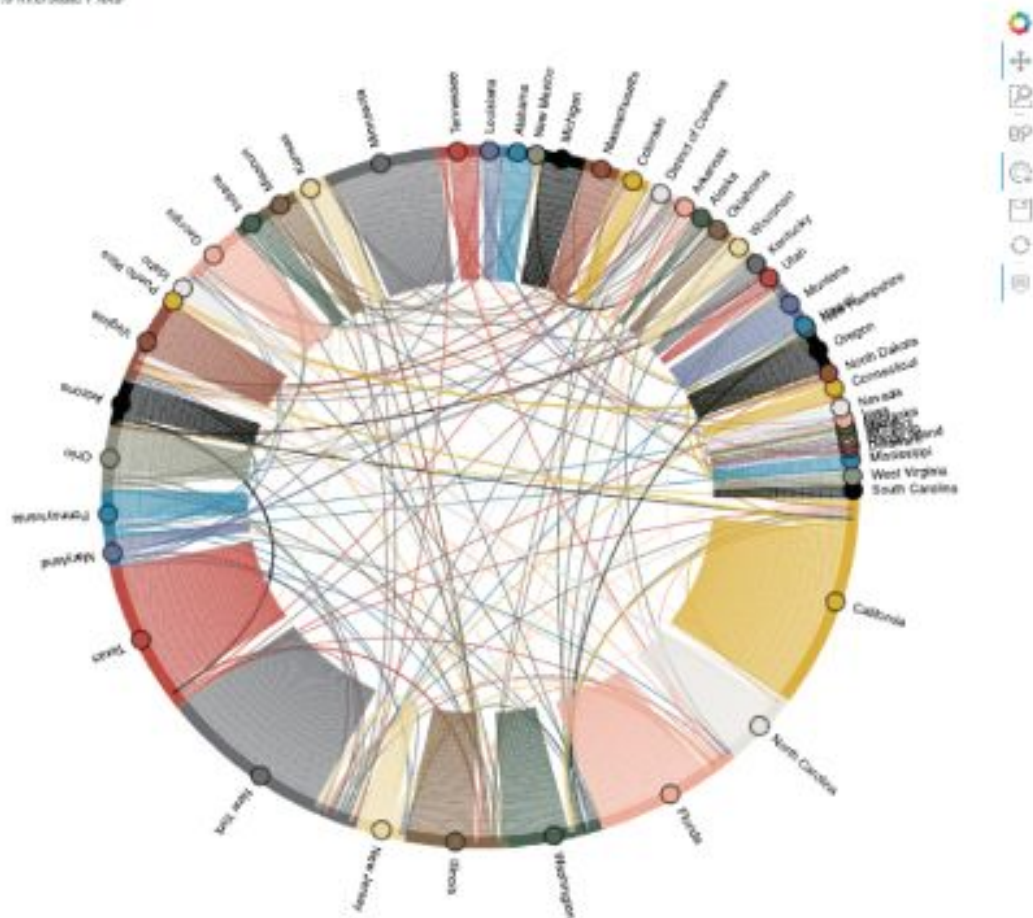
Radicals in Single Ethnicity Terrorist Organizations Are More Likely To Carry Out Successful Violent Plots



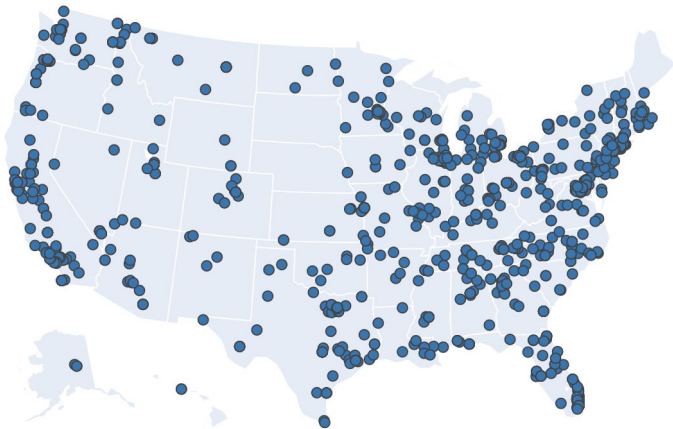
State-Level Brain Drain Hypothesis

We expect more violent interstate radical plots than violent intrastate plots.

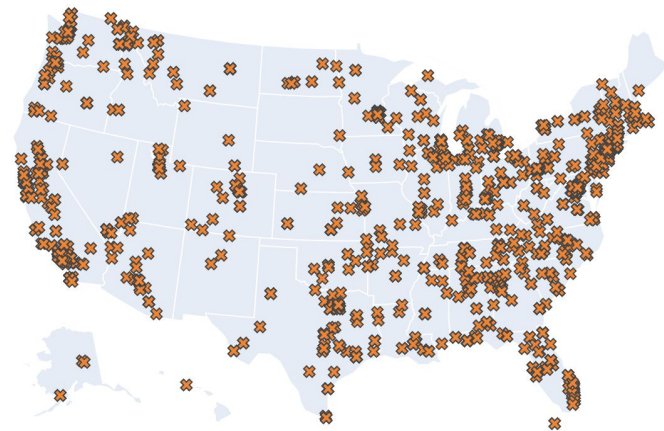
61.33% Self Inflicted Plots
18.67% Interstate Plots



Where Radicalized Individuals Lived Since 1980



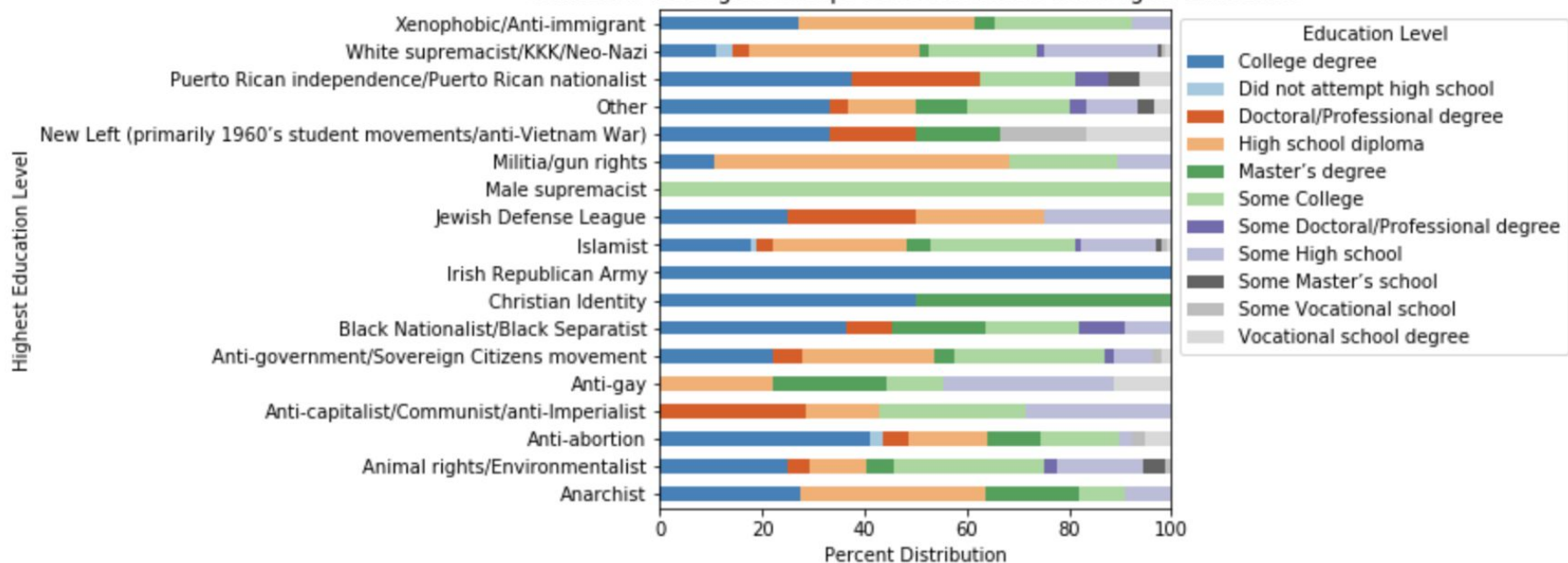
Where Terrorist Plot or Activity Was Centered Since 1980



Education by Ideological Groups Hypothesis

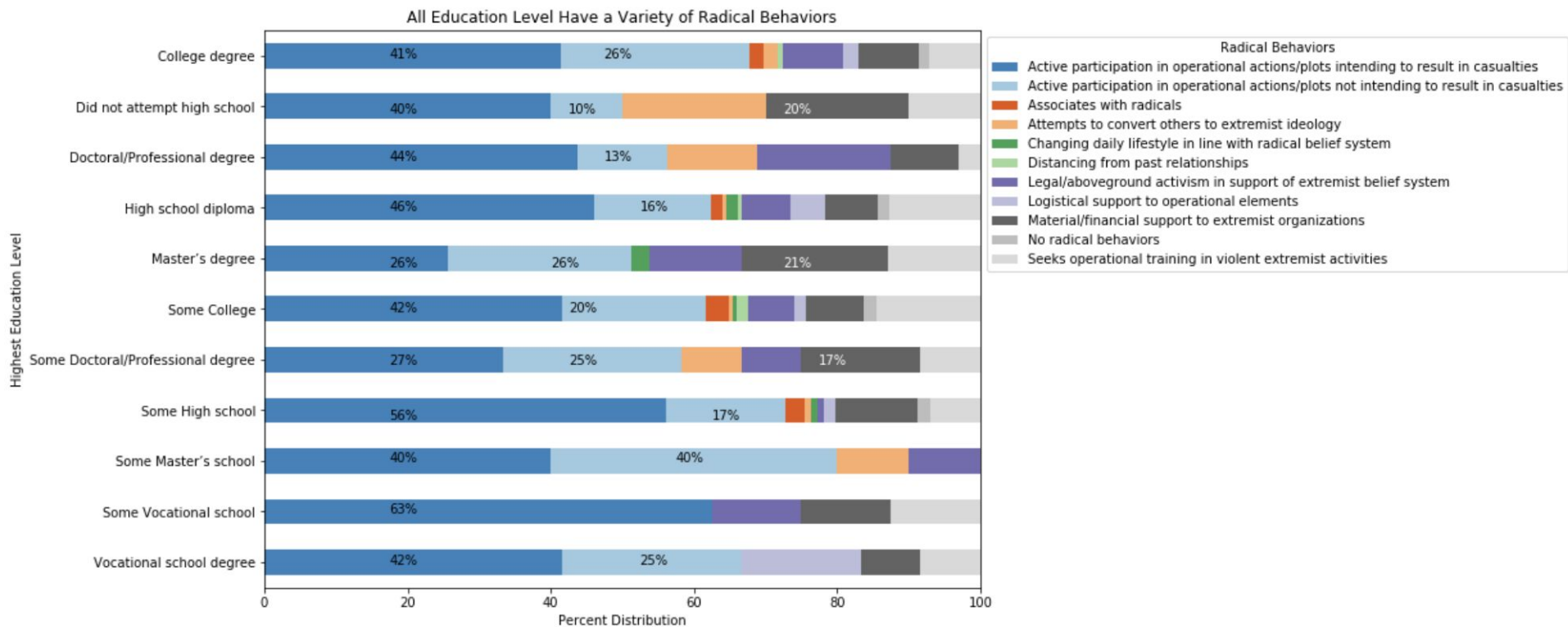
Radicalised individuals are typically uneducated, especially along ideological lines.

Almost All Ideological Groups Have Individuals with Higher Education



Radical Behaviors and Education Hypothesis

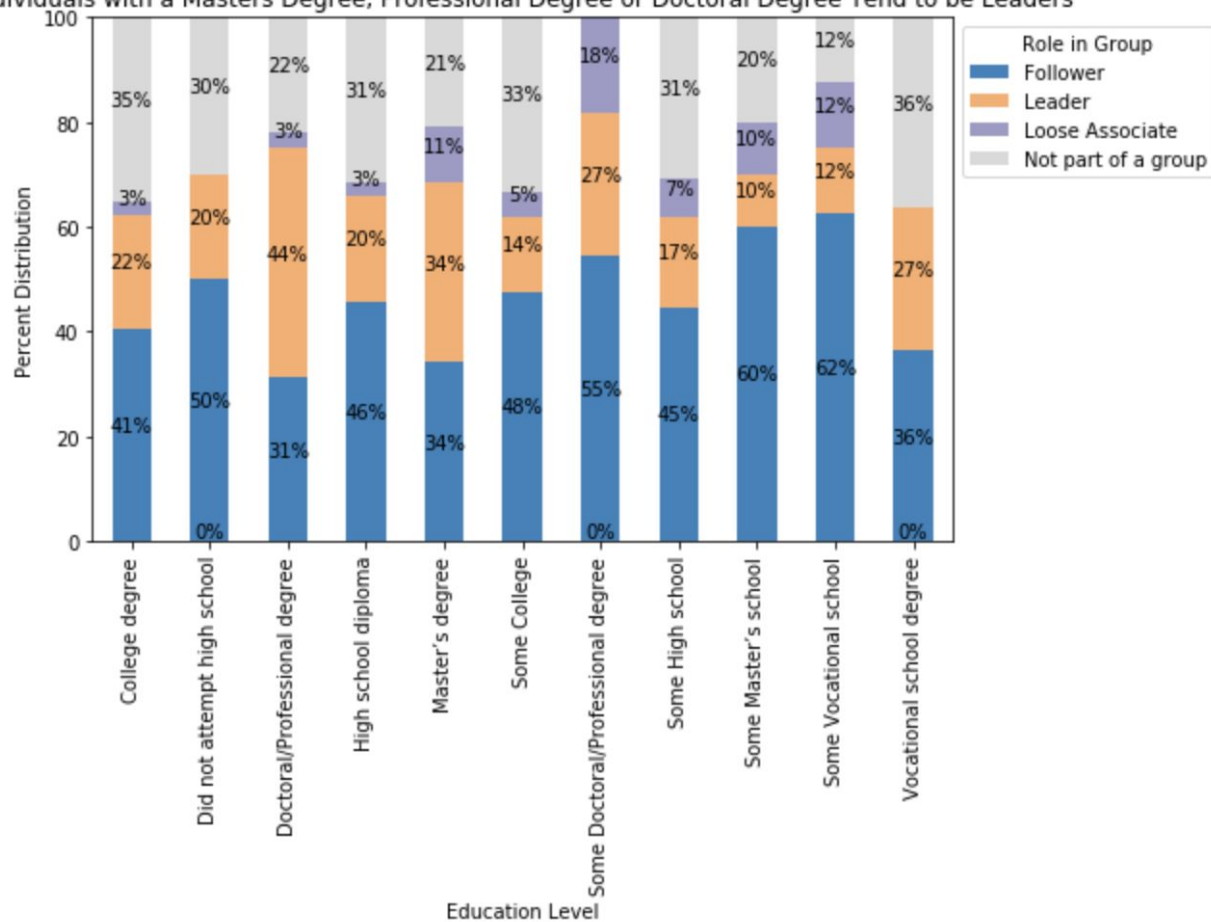
Radicalized individuals with higher education are less likely to participate in operational actions/plots intending to result in casualties.



Role in Group by Education Hypothesis

Most leaders of radicalized groups have a high education level.

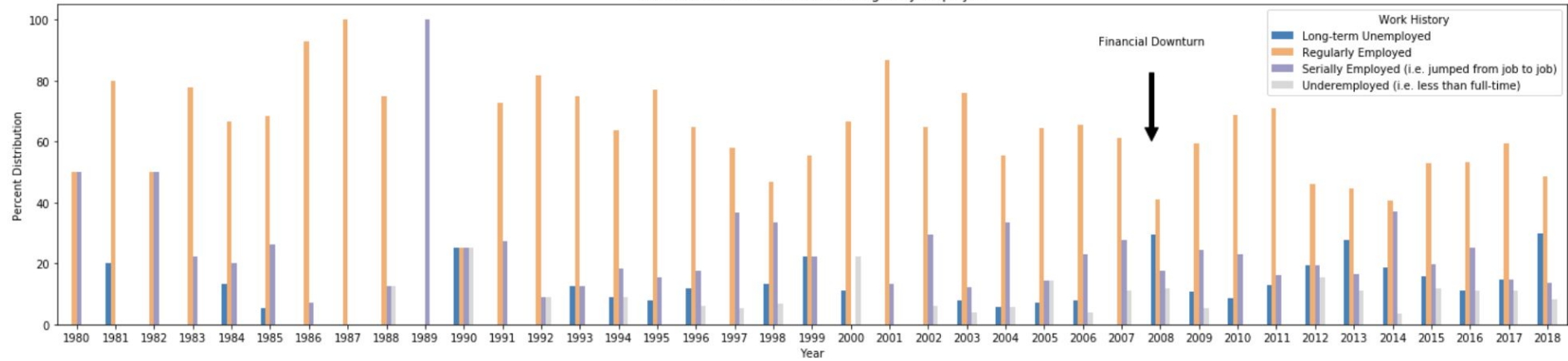
Individuals with a Masters Degree, Professional Degree or Doctoral Degree Tend to be Leaders



Work History by Year Hypothesis

Radicalized individuals are individuals who have experienced long-term unemployment.

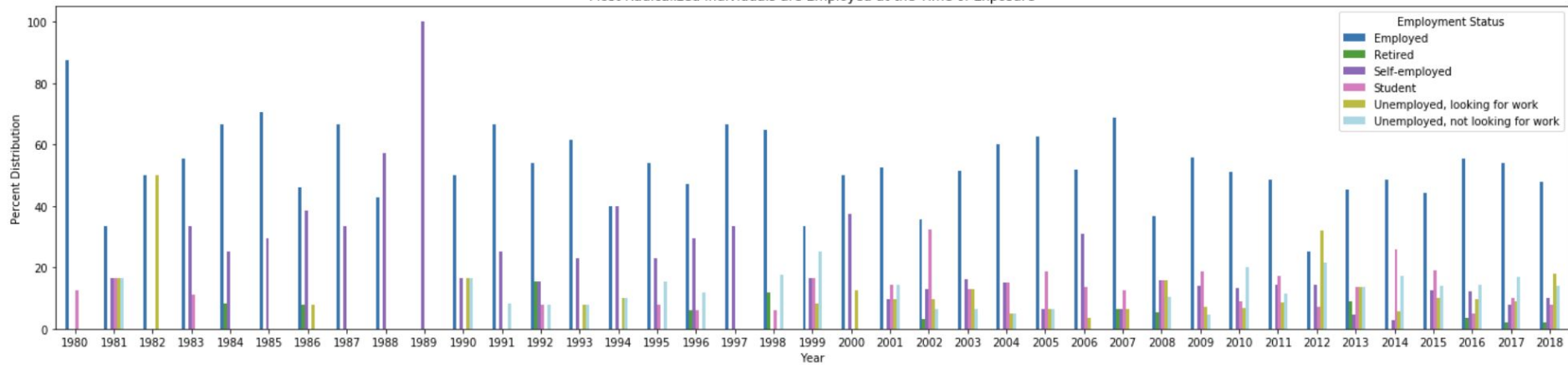
Most Radicalized Individuals are Regularly Employed



Employment Status by Year Hypothesis

Radicalized individuals are usually unemployed and looking for work at the time of exposure.

Most Radicalized Individuals are Employed at the Time of Exposure

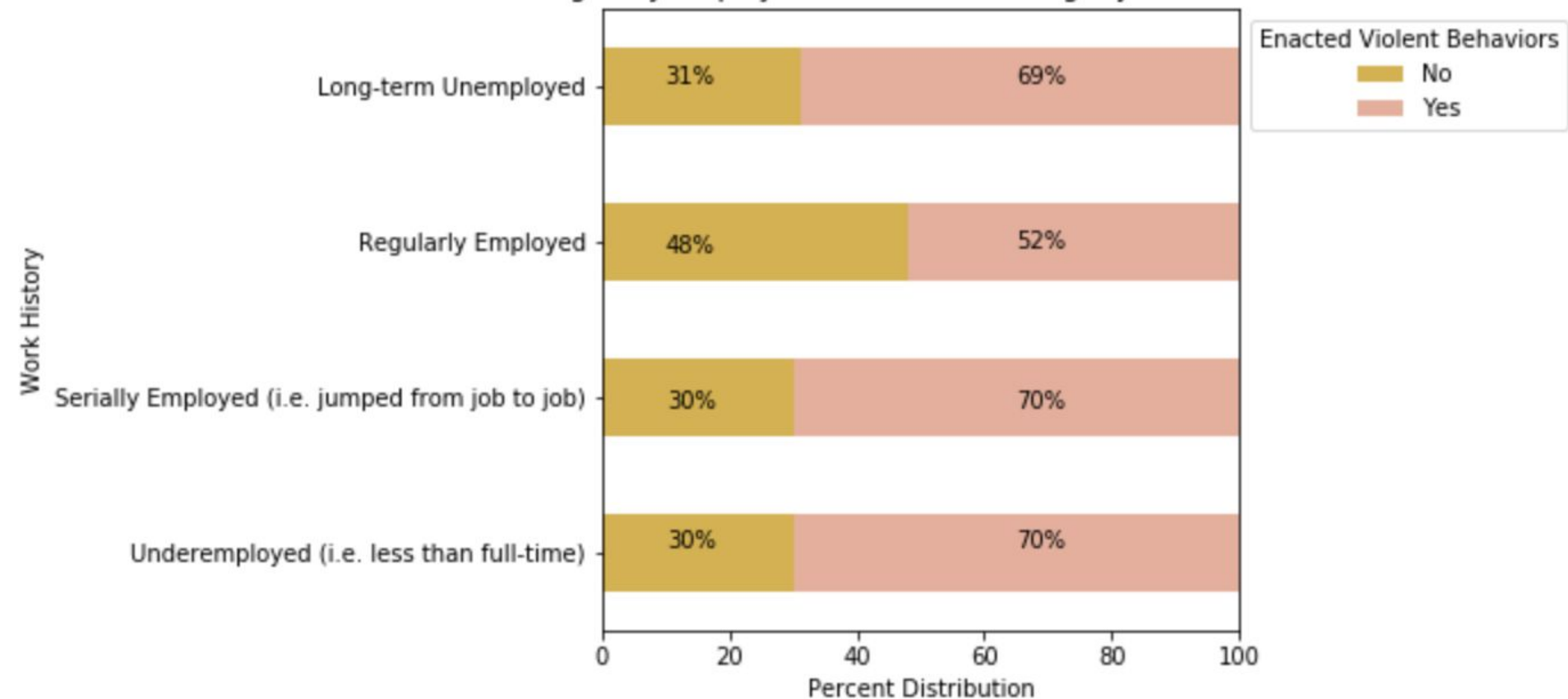


Violent Behaviors by Employment Status

Hypothesis

Radicalized individuals that have been unemployed for a long time are more likely to enact violent behaviors.

Regularly Employed Individuals are Slightly Less Violent



Conclusion

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