

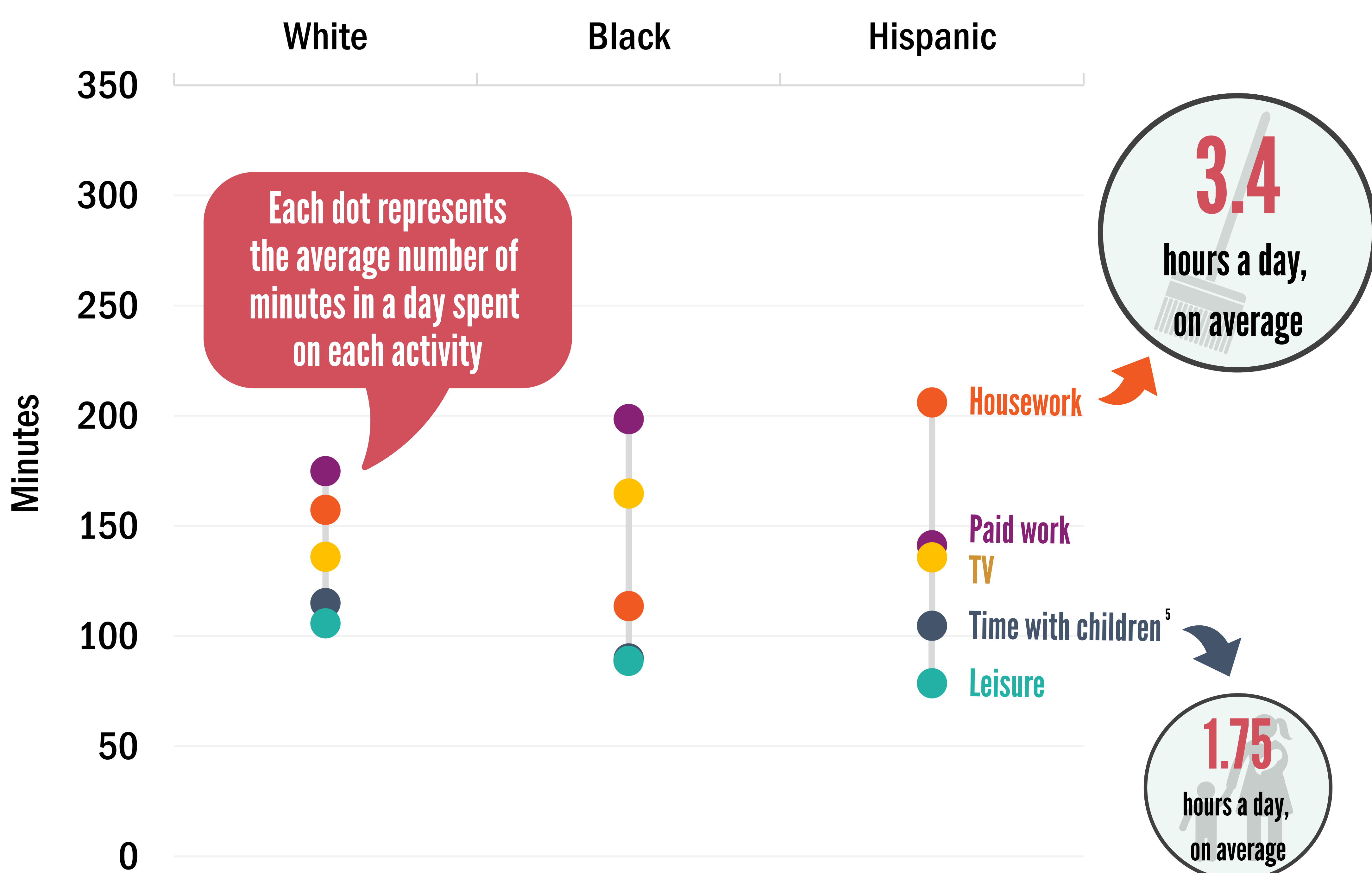


The Average Day of Low-Income Latino Parents

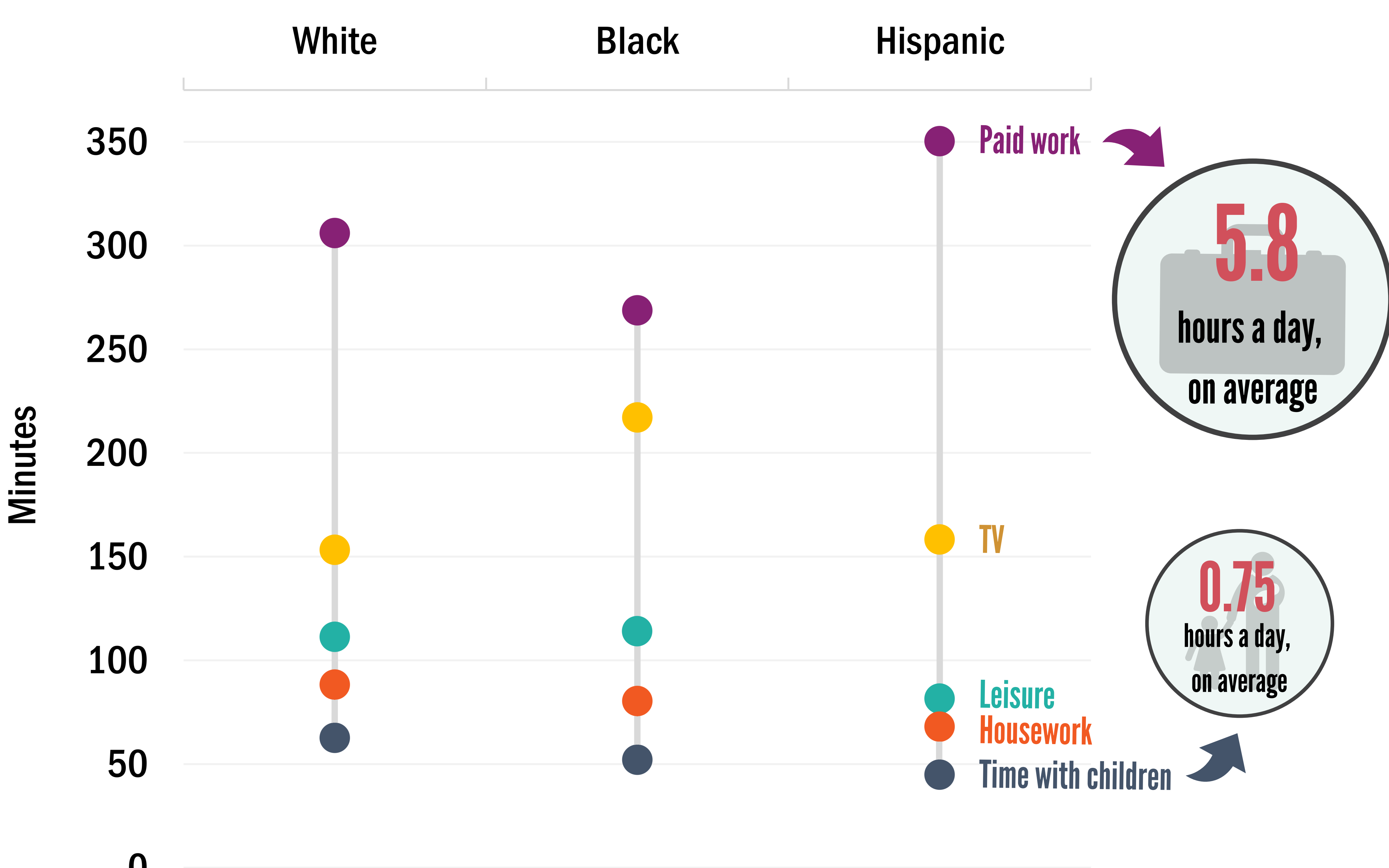
What does an average day in the life of a low-income¹ Latino² parent look like, and how does it compare to days of their white and black peers? To answer these questions, we used data from the American Time Use Survey³—a nationally representative study that records how Americans spend their time. We find that low-income Latino parents spent their time differently than others.



Low-income Hispanic mothers spent substantially more time on **housework** and less time on **paid work**⁴ or **leisure** than low-income white or black mothers.

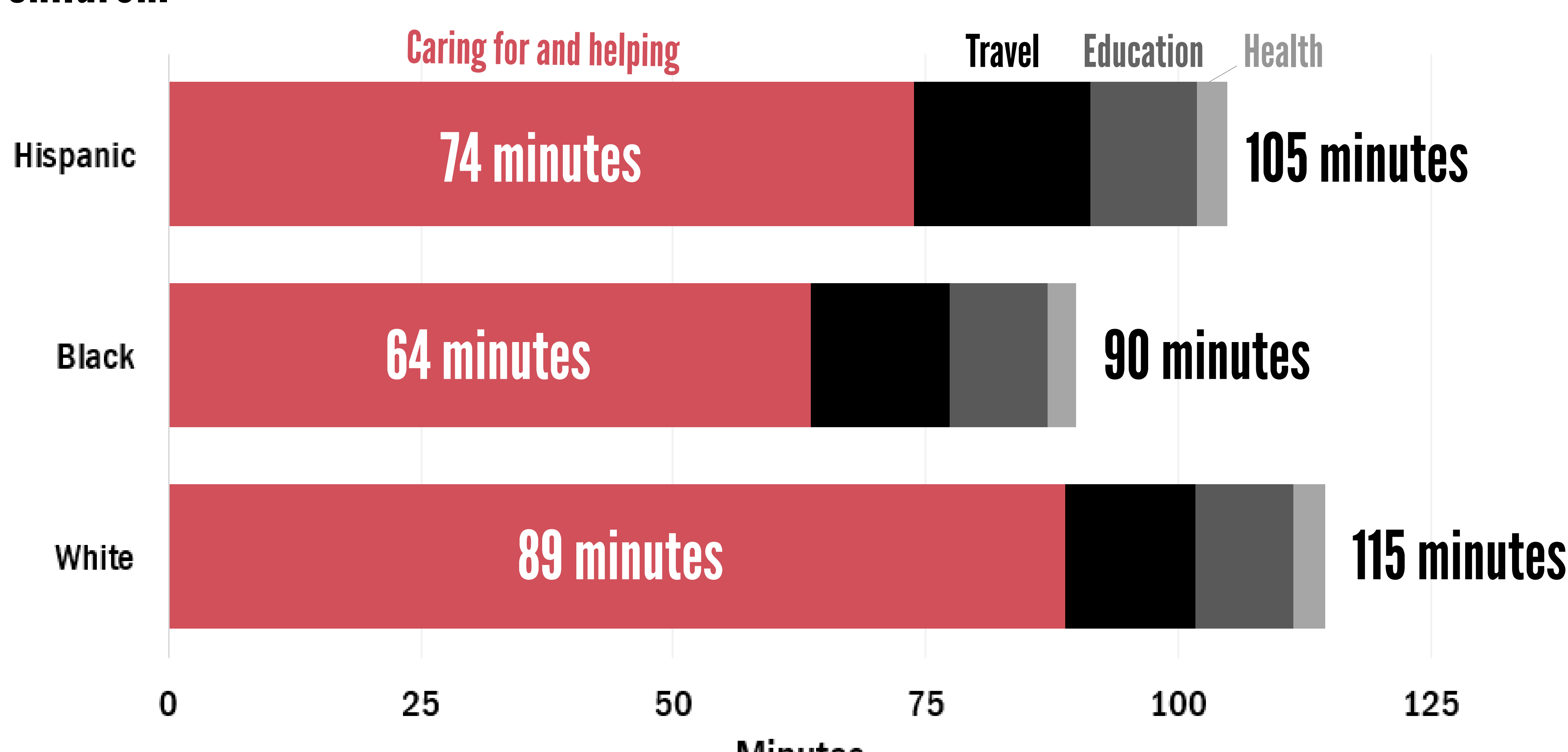


Low-income Hispanic fathers spent substantially more time on **paid work** and less time on **housework** or **leisure** than low-income white or black fathers.

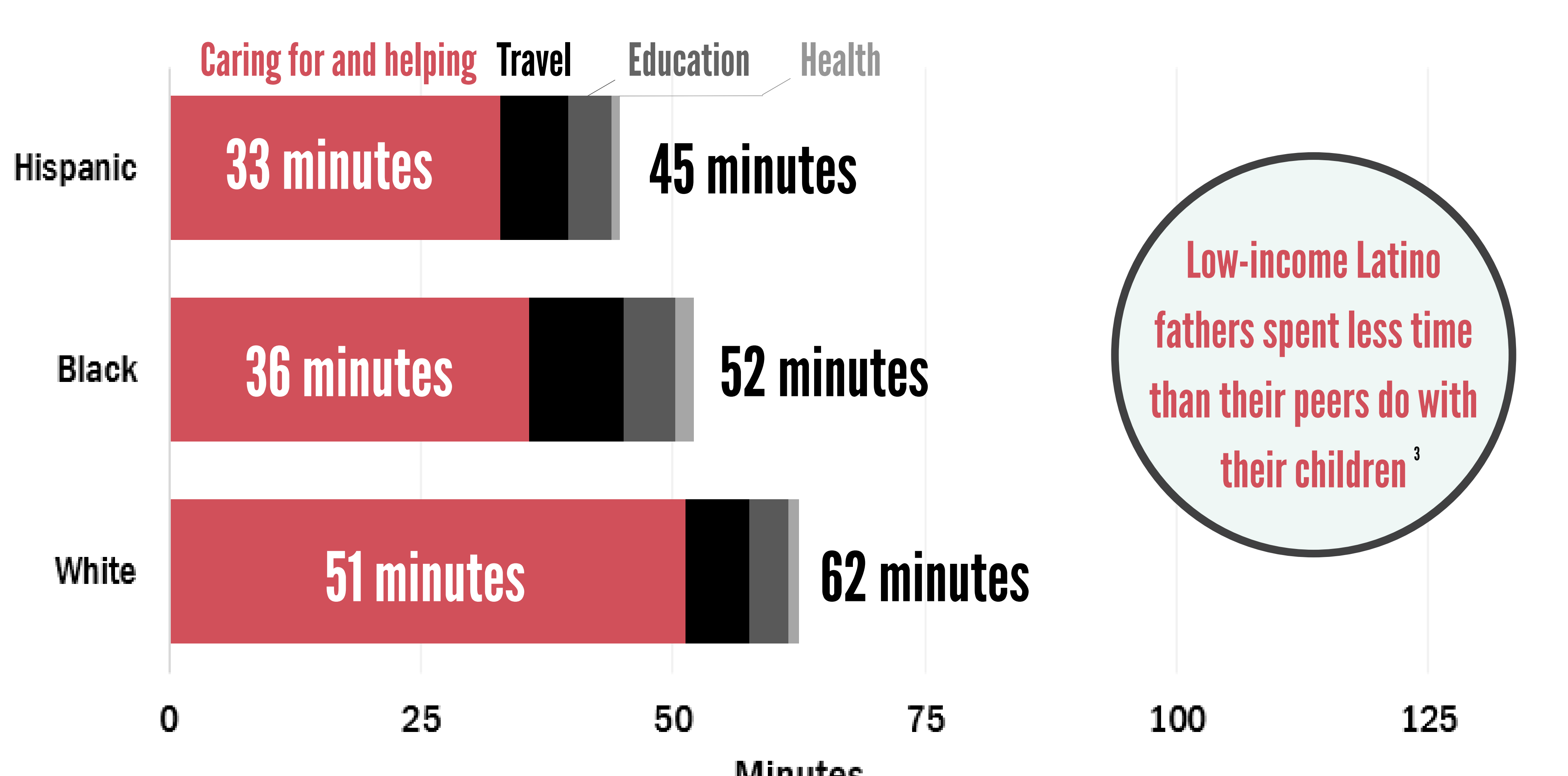


How Parents Spend Time With Their Children

In an average day, low-income Hispanic mothers spent nearly 2 hours (105 minutes) with their children. Of that time, roughly 74 minutes were spent **caring for and helping** their children.



In an average day, low-income Hispanic fathers spent 45 minutes with their children. Of that time, roughly 33 minutes were spent **caring for and helping** their children.



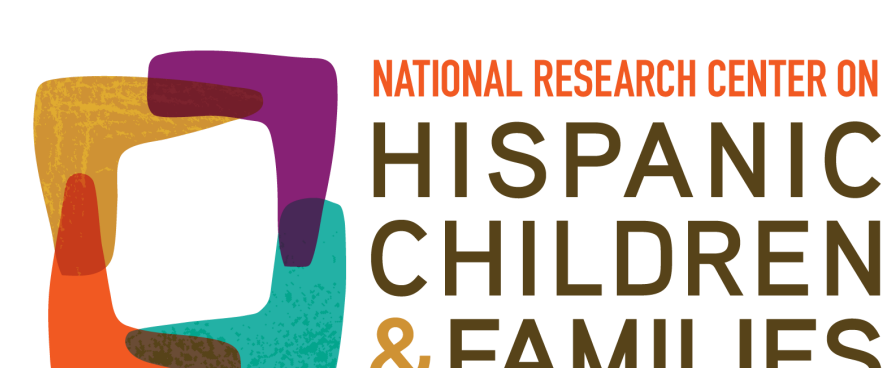
Low-income Hispanic fathers spent around 13 minutes less with their children for every hour spent in paid work

Source: Analyses of the 2003-2013 American Time Use Survey by Lisa Gennetian and Christopher Rodrigues.

Notes: [1] "Low-income" refers to reported annual household income under \$39,999. The mean income value in our sample was \$22,998. [2] We use the terms "Latino" and "Hispanic" interchangeably. [3] The American Time Use Survey (ATUS) is a time diary study where participants report on what they did in the last 24 hours. Analyses were limited to residential mothers and residential fathers (not in the same household) ages 18-65 with children under age 18 living in the household. [4] "Paid work" is the average of a 7-day work week, including adults not engaged in paid work and days not working among those who are engaged in paid work. [5] "Time with children" refers to time during which the respondent reported that his/her primary activity during that time period was spent in activities with a child. This does not include time where, for example, the primary activity was housework and a child was also present.

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