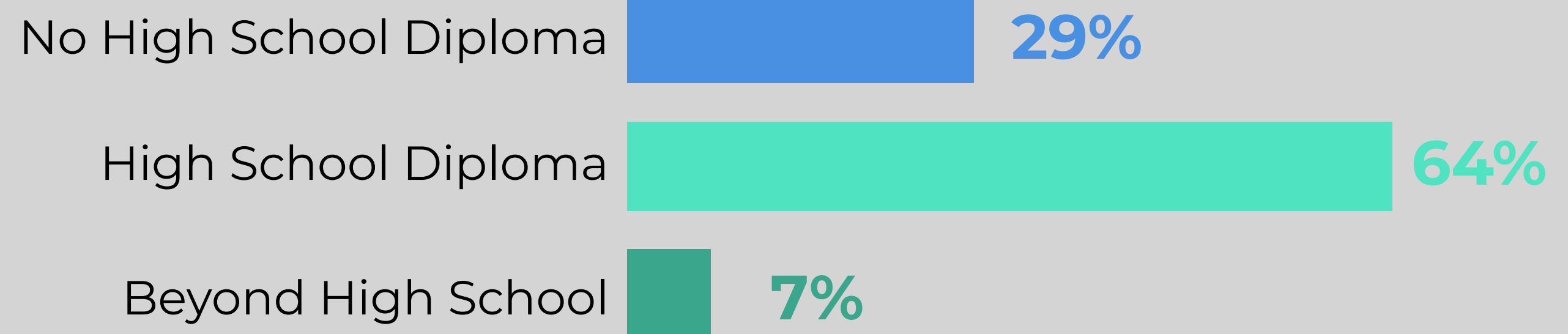


# Lower Shore

Temporary Cash Assistance (TCA) Recipients | 2018

Most have a high school education



Many have recent work experience, but their earnings are low

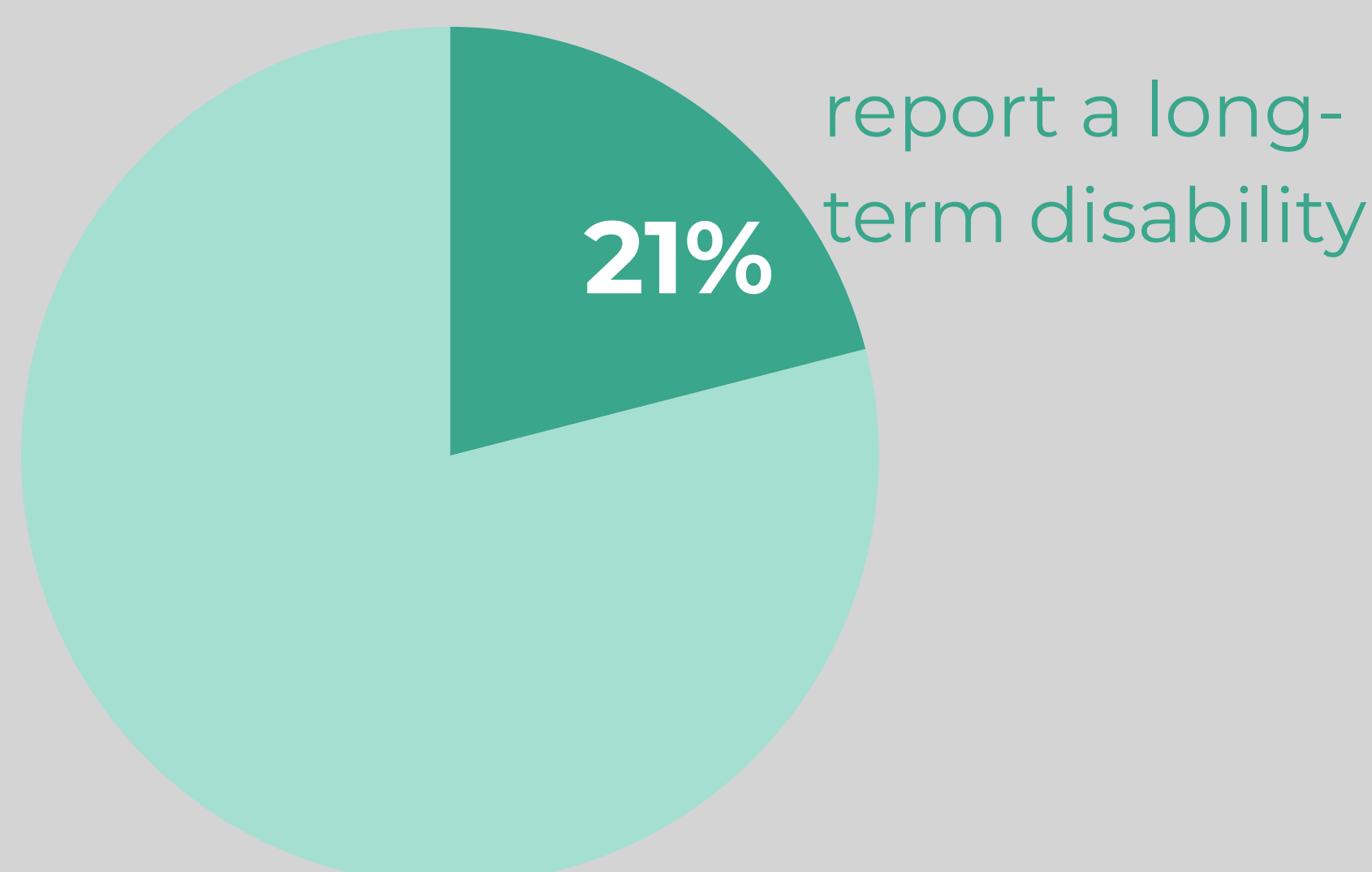
Year before TCA	61% Employed	\$4,447 Median Annual Earnings
Year after TCA	67% Employed	\$7,613 Median Annual Earnings

## They do not receive assistance for long periods of time

**65%** received assistance for 2 years or less in the last 10 years

**8%** received assistance for more than 5 of the last 10 years

Some have disabilities that are expected to last over 1 year



Typically, they are African American women with 1 or 2 young children

- 88%** are female
- 65%** are African American
- 32** years old, on average
- 68%** have 1 to 2 children
- 44%** have a child under 3 years old

**The Lower Shore includes Wicomico, Worcester, & Somerset Counties.**

Employment and earnings data is based on adult payees who were TCA recipients on cases that closed in federal fiscal 2016 and includes only formal employment in Maryland. All other data is based on analysis of 914 adults who received TCA benefits for at least one month in state fiscal 2017 (July 2016 through June 2017).



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