

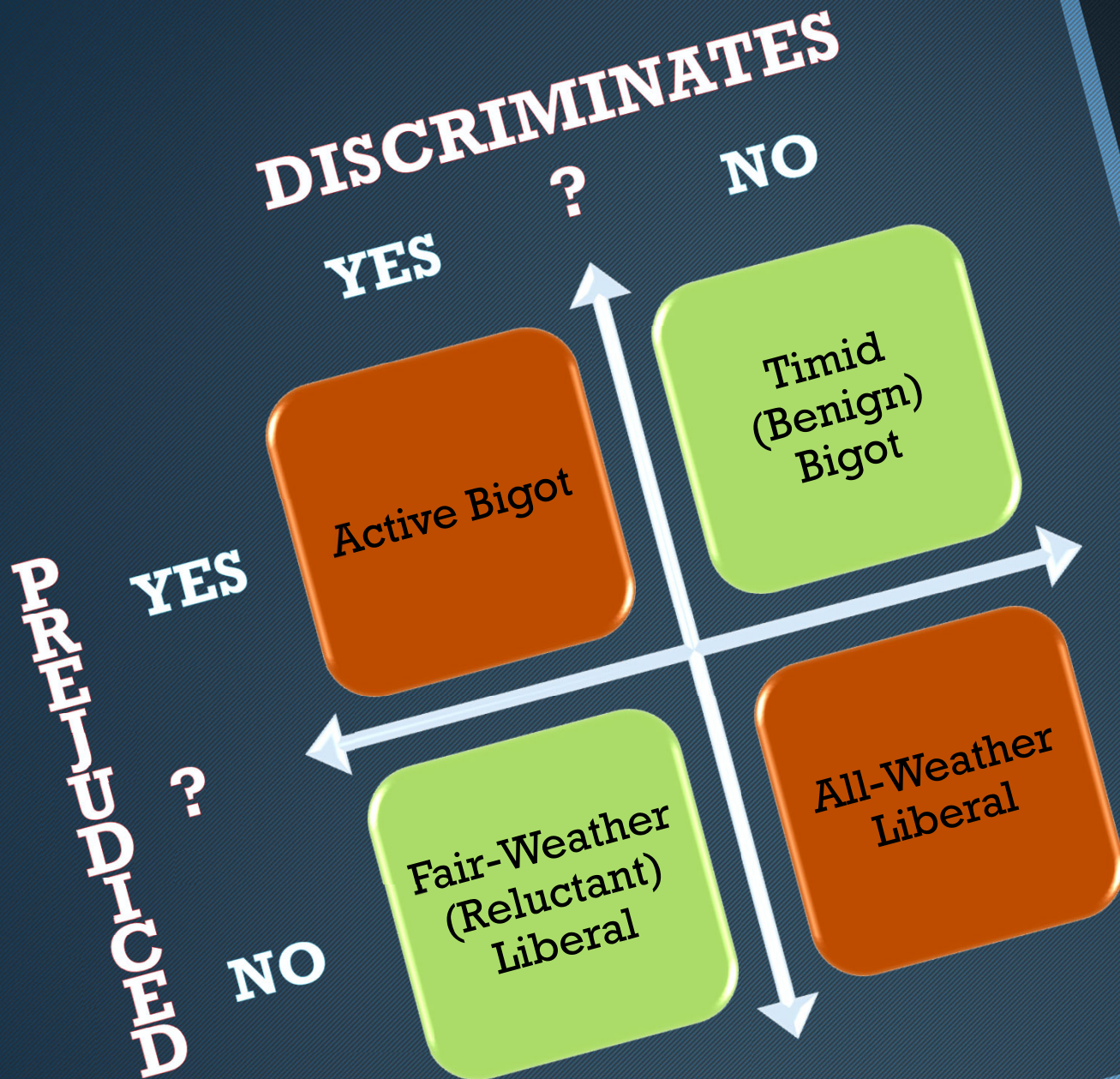
Discrimination

Does Prejudice Always Cause Discrimination?
Dating Relationship "Discrimination":
Prejudice or Preference?

Exchange Theory
Border Patrolling
Rebound Racism
Intensified Racism



Merton's Typology



Does Prejudice Always Cause Discrimination?

Exchange relationships develop
within structures of interdependence
between actors

Main Assumption?

People behave in ways that
increase outcomes they
positively value and decrease
outcomes they **negatively value**

Exchange Theory



Pew Research/GSS 2016

Would you be very or somewhat opposed to a close relative marrying someone who is _____ as someone who isn't that race?

Black (14%) • **White** (4%)
Hispanic (9%) • **Asian** (9%)

White Border Patrolling

White (women) who intermarry are often disowned or explained away as flawed, misguided, "prostitutes".

Non-White Border Patrolling

Non-White (men) who intermarry are viewed as having lost their culture and connection. Seen as weak and doing so to improve status: "Sellouts" • "Uncle Toms"

Rebound and Intensified Racism

Whites experience racism indirectly through antagonism directed at their partners.

Racism normally directed at Blacks is intensified when they date/marry interracially.

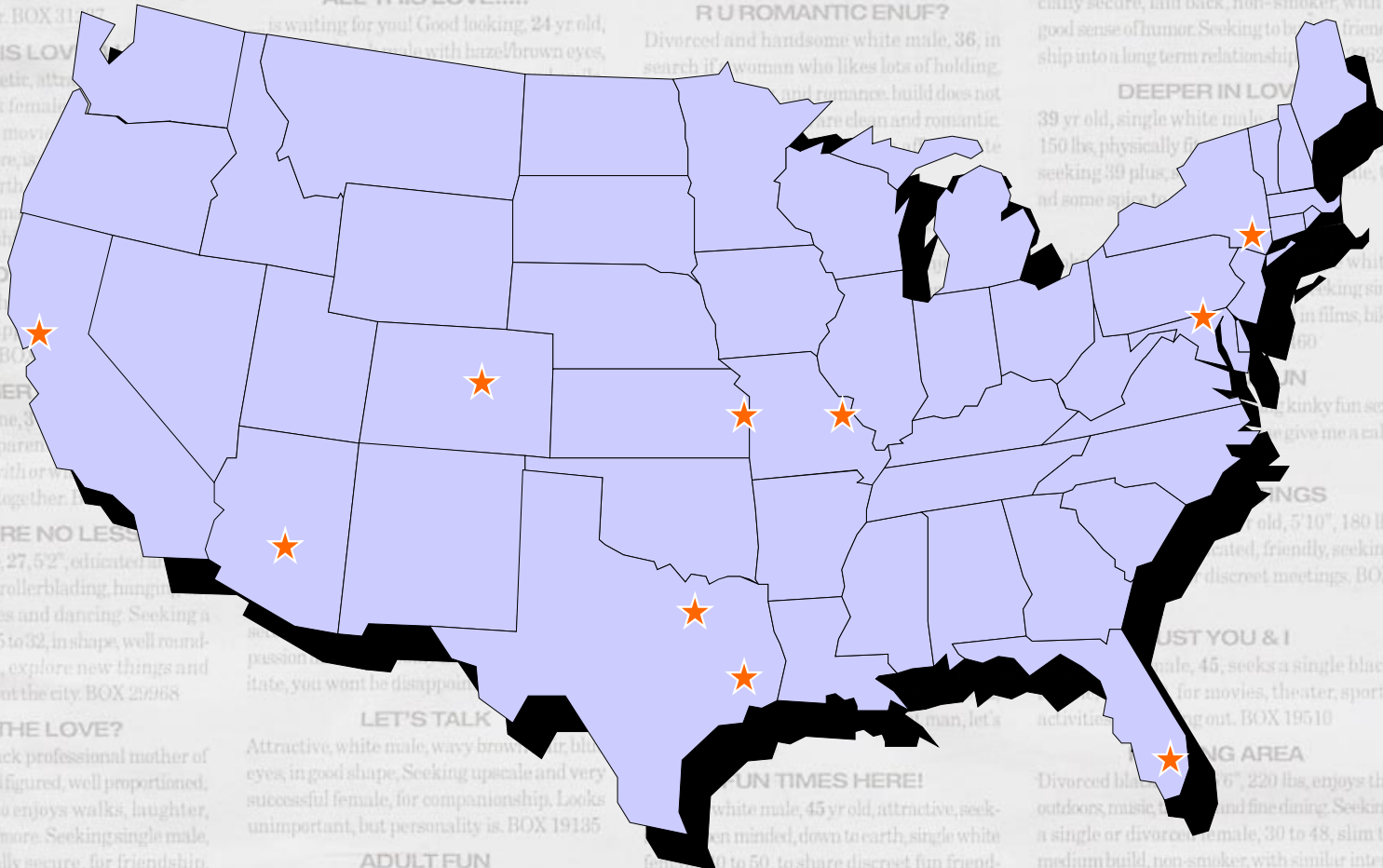
Interracial relationships put some resources at risk (Dalmage 2000)

Homophily
Homogamy
Heterogamy
Miscegenation

Risky Exchanges

Methodology

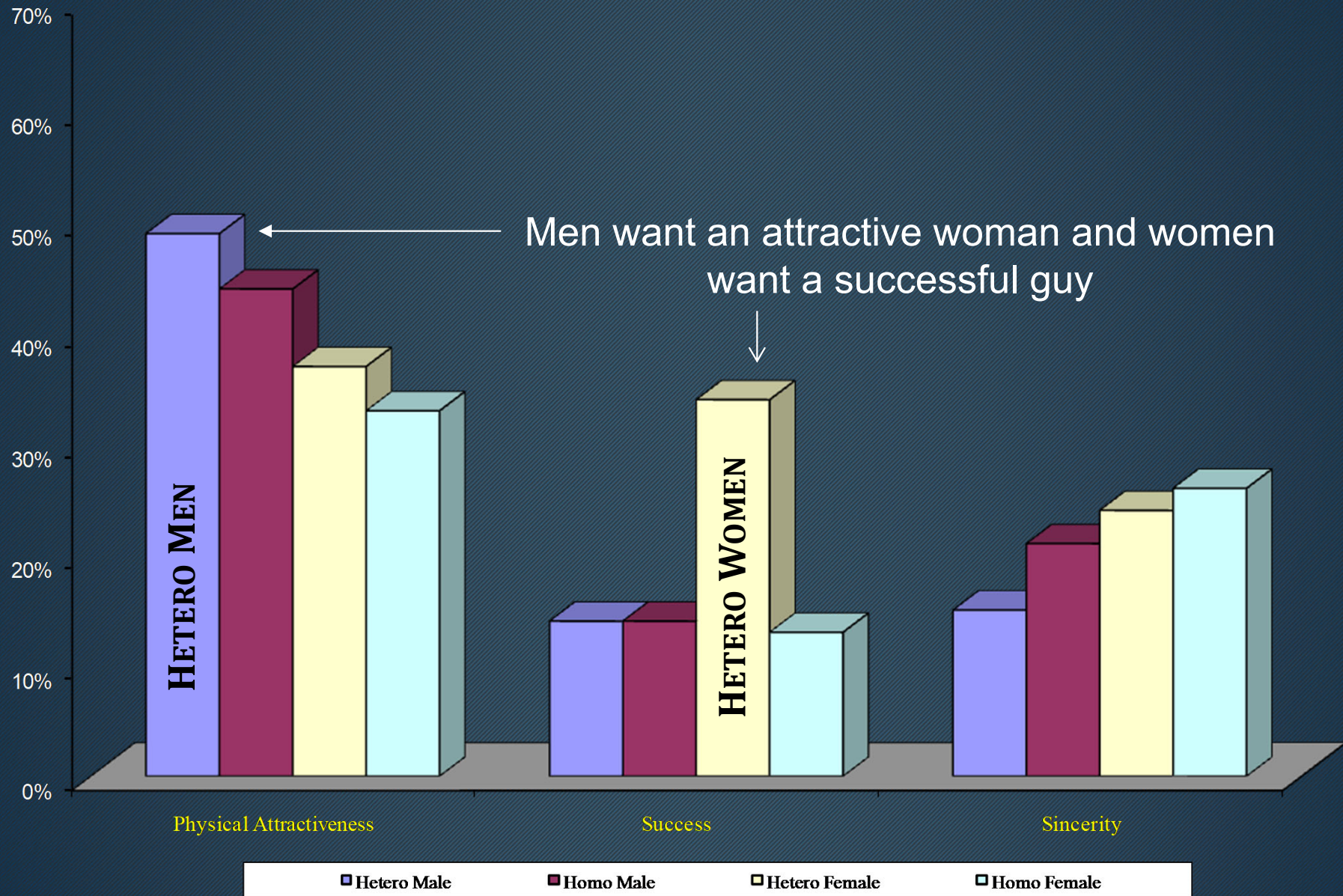
Collection of nearly 7000 personal advertisements from the personal ads sections of ten cities' free newsweeklies (i.e., City Papers):



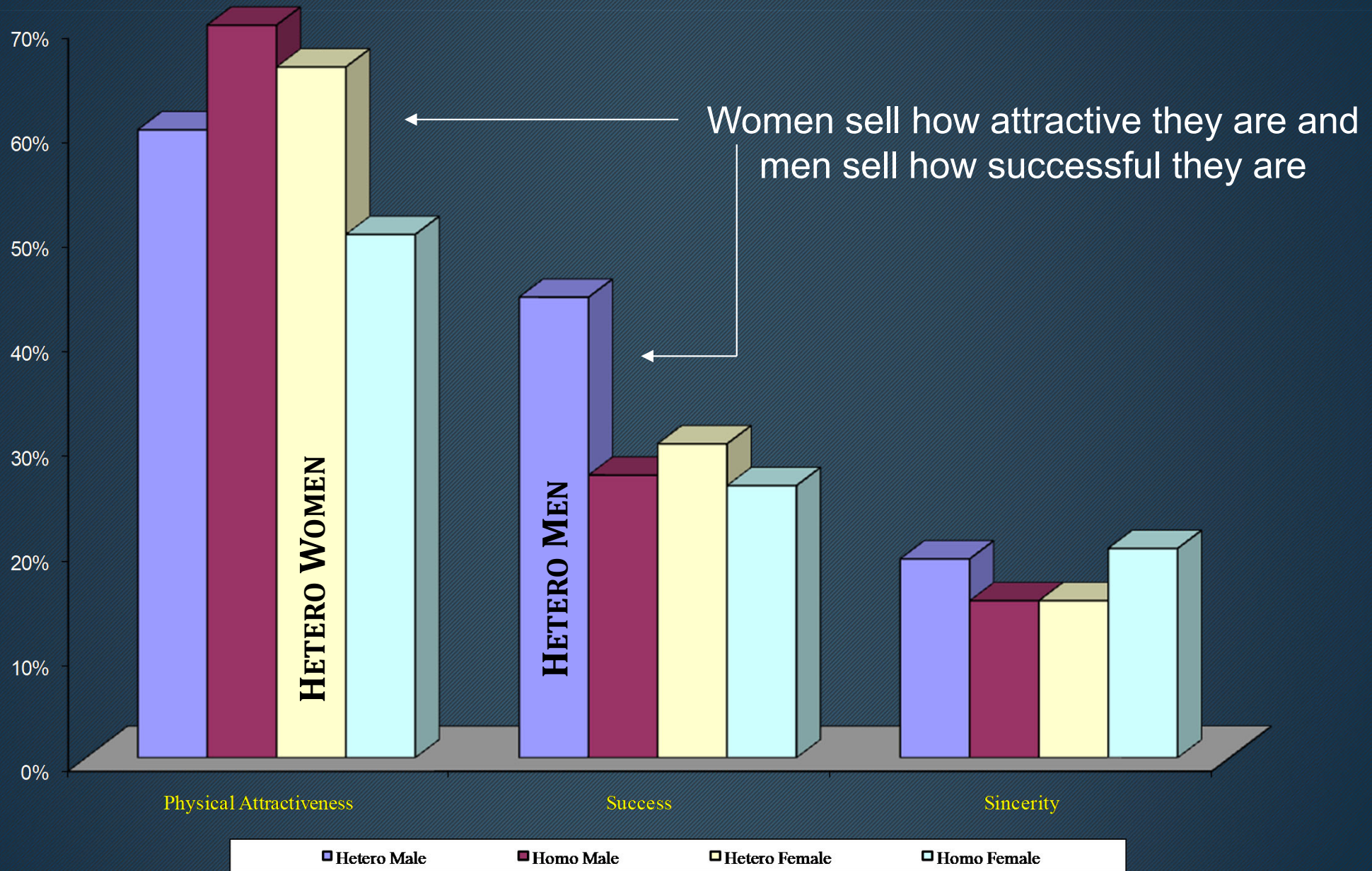
San Francisco, Phoenix, Denver, Dallas, Houston, Kansas City, St. Louis, Miami, Baltimore, and New York City

- City
- Gender
- Sexual Orientation
- Race
- Age
- Race Desired
- Age Desired
- Resources Offered/Sought
 - Physical Attractiveness
 - Financial Security
- Type Of Relationship Desired
 - Interest in Public Relationship (“go to movies”)
 - Interest in Private Relationship (“stay in for movies”)
 - Interest in Long or Short-term Relationship

Desired Personal Characteristics



Offered Personal Characteristics



What Str8 White Men Want

**Exchange
Resources At
Risk In
Interracial
Relationships**

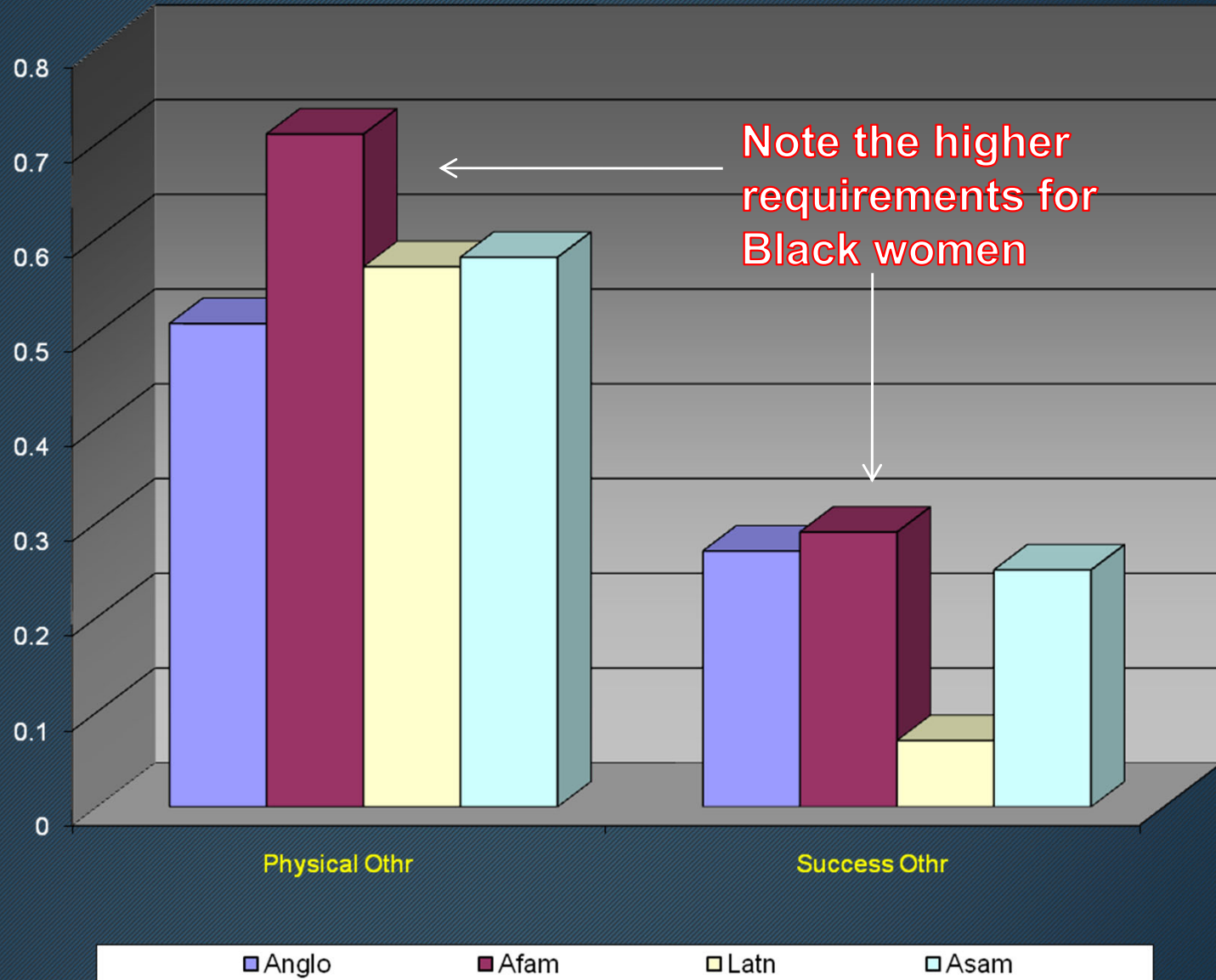
**Social
Acceptance**

**Social
Approval**

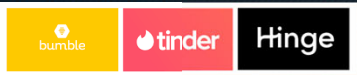
**Respect and
Prestige**

Status

Security



What Str8 White Men Want



Should dating apps get rid of the race filter?

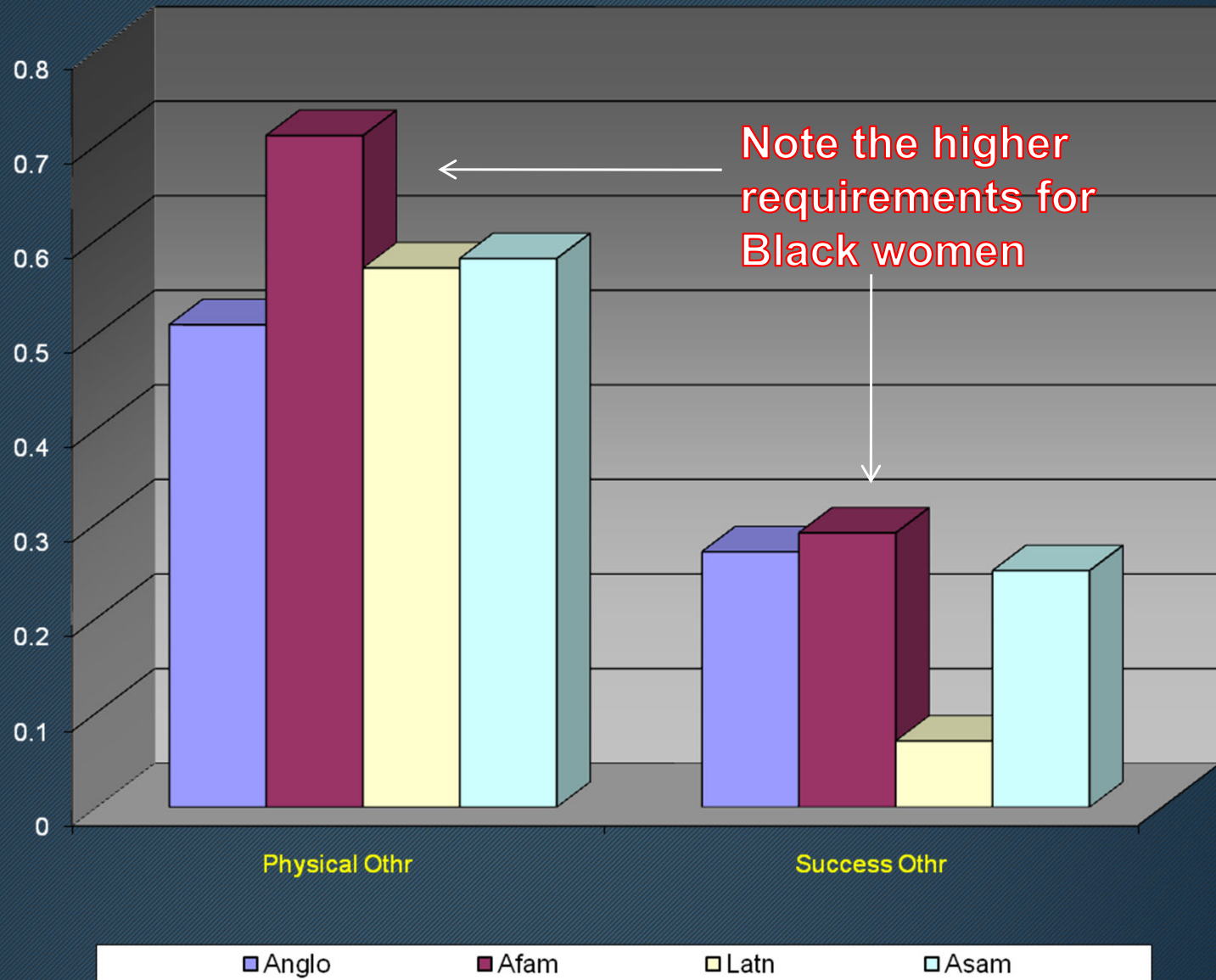
What about **race fetishism**?

Which feels more right to you?

“Birds of a feather flock together”

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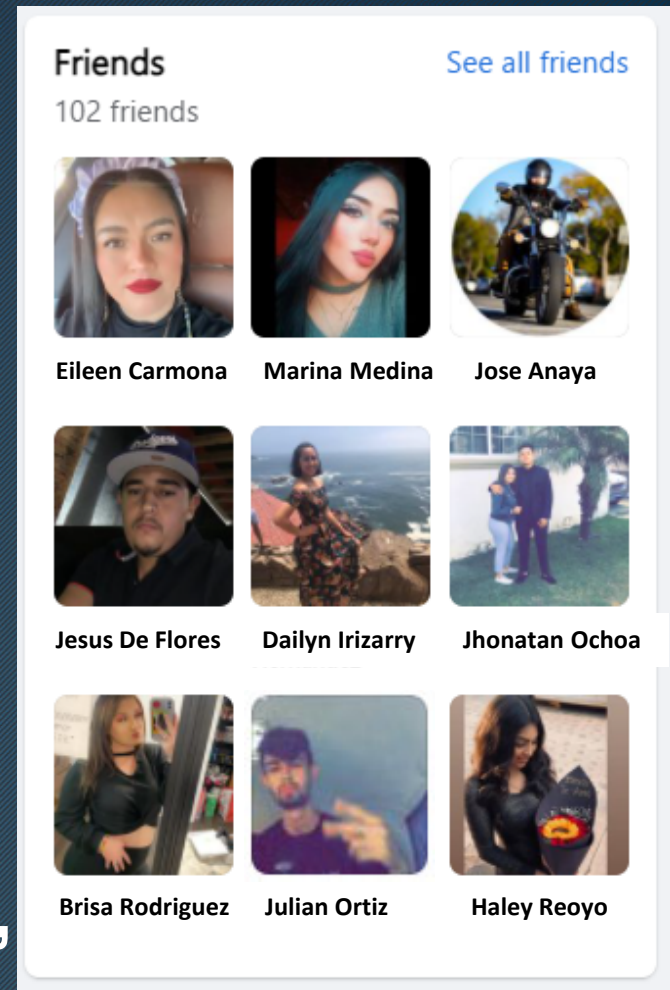
“Opposites attract”



Think about your current friendships and write down the names of your closest 4 friends.

What is their race/ethnicity? If they mostly share yours, how'd that happen? If not, what does that say about "homophily"?

Are there particularly "positive" benefits of having close friends who share your race? Are there "costs" when they don't?



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