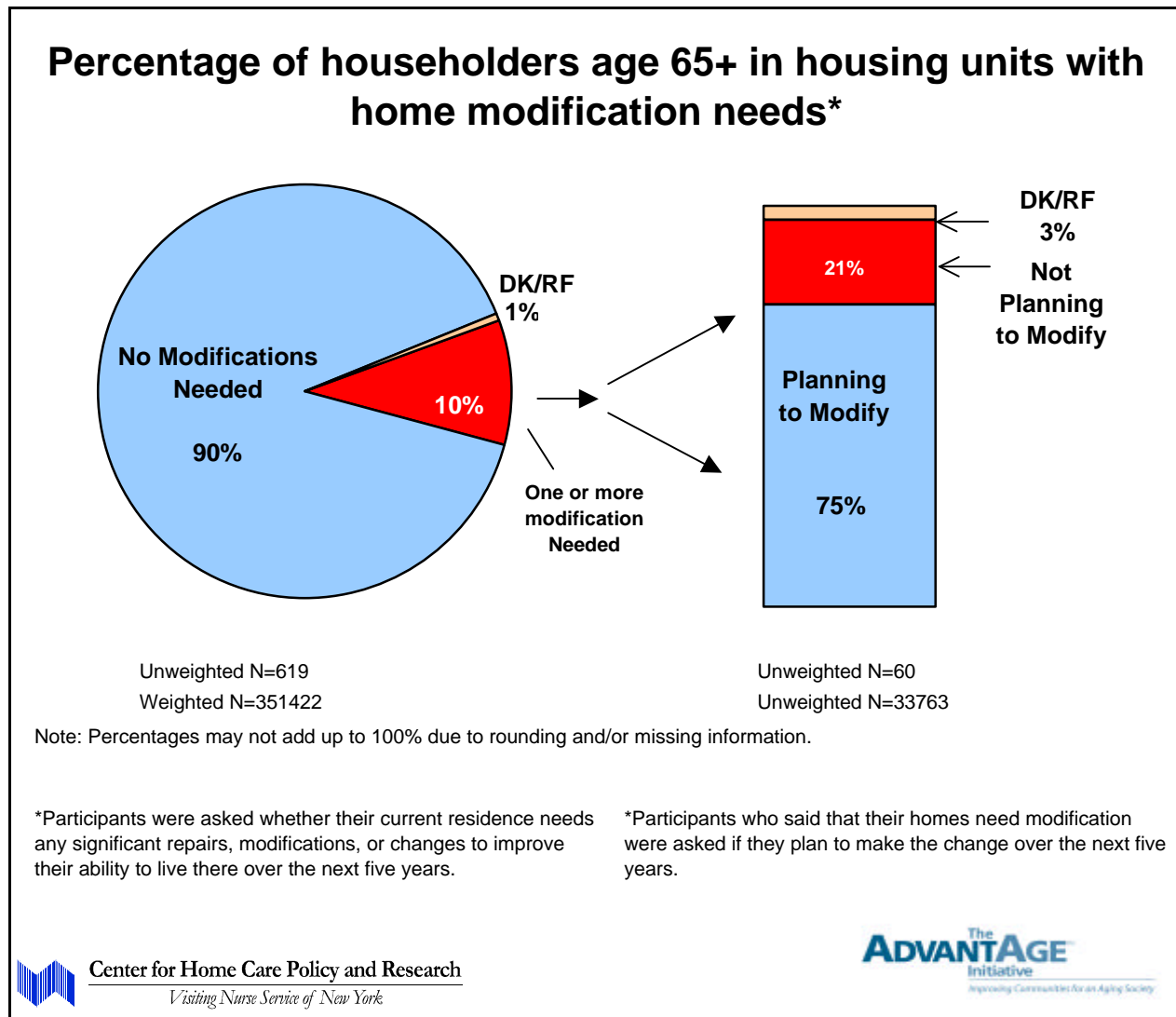


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Figure 3.1



Respondents who answered “yes” to a screener question inquiring whether their current residence needs significant changes or repairs to improve their ability to live there over the next five years were subsequently asked about their need for each of the following modifications: better cooling in the summer, better heating in the winter, accommodations for disabilities, bathroom modifications, help with insect/rodent problems, structural changes/major repairs, cosmetic changes/minor repairs, installation of medical emergency response system, or something else. In Maricopa County, one of ten (10%) people age 65+ say their homes need one or more modification. Nine of ten (90%) say there are no modifications needed and one percent do not know. Three of four (75%) of those whose homes need modifications say that they plan to do the changes over the next five years. One of five (21%) say they do not plan to modify, and three percent do not know. The most frequently mentioned reason for not planning to make the needed changes was “can’t afford it.”

Note: Indicator 3 corresponds to Questions 21, 22a-i, 23a-i, and 24a-i in the AdvantAge Initiative survey questionnaire.

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Figure 3.2

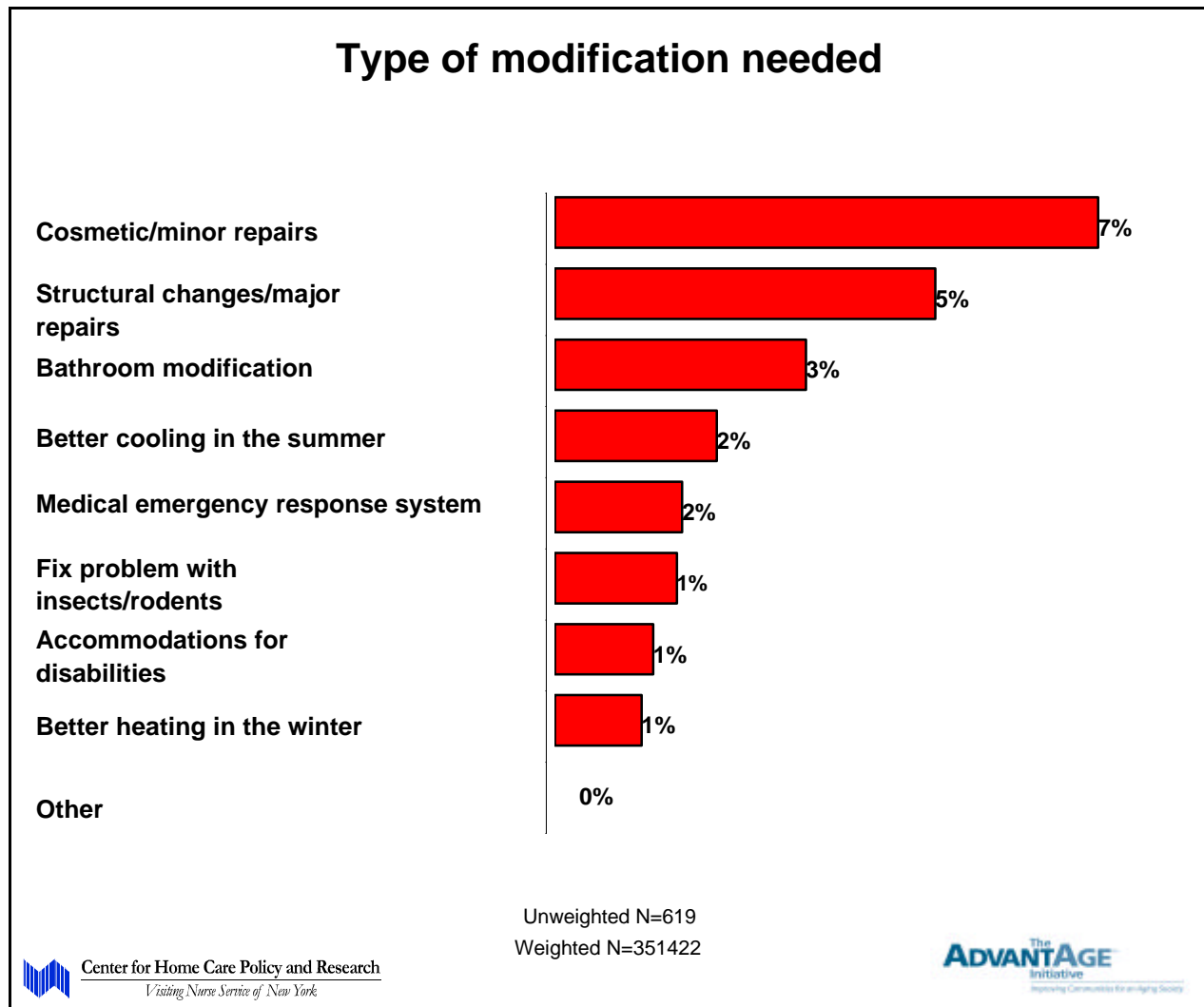
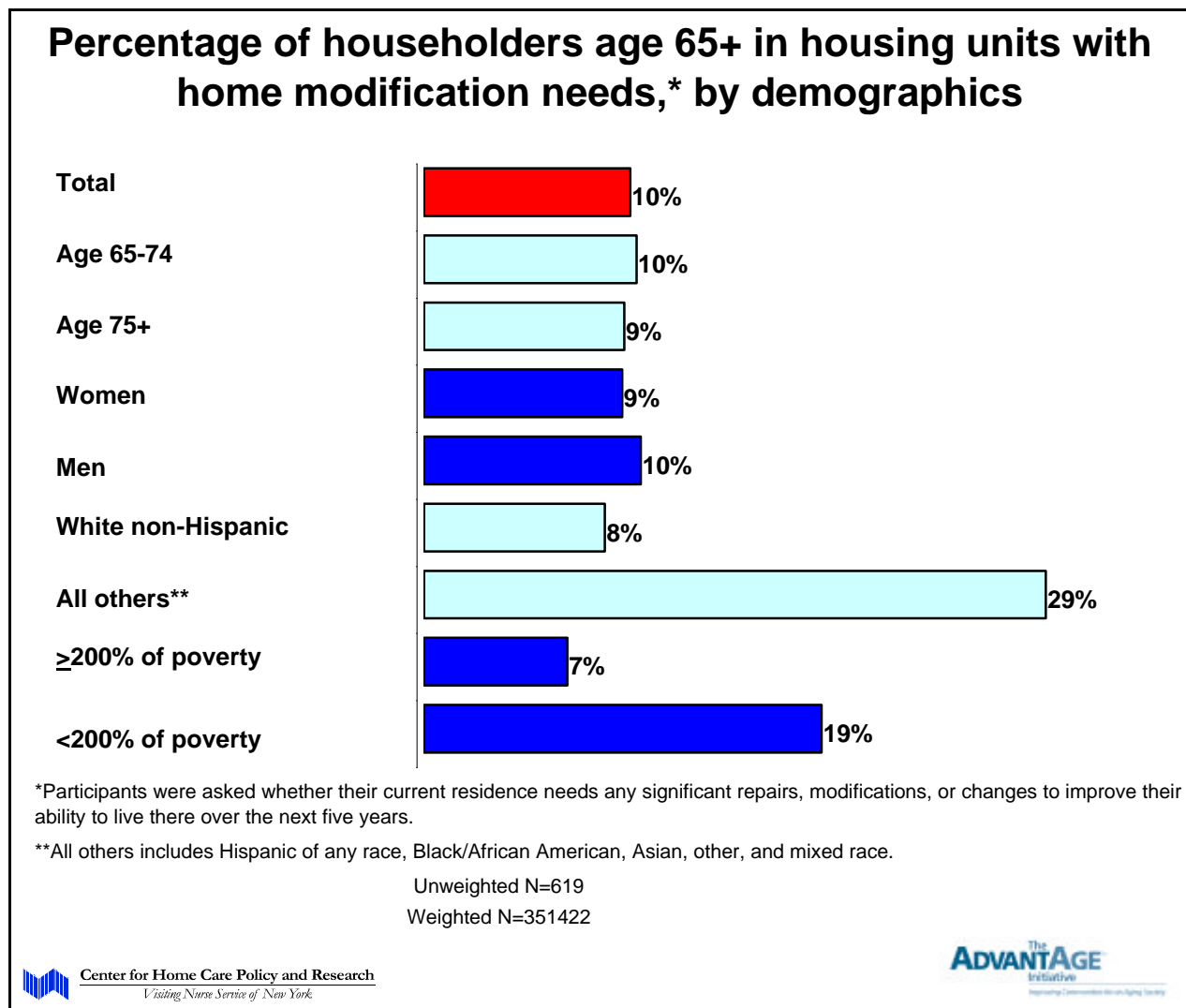


Figure 3.2 shows the percentage of people age 65+ whose residence needs each of the modifications or repairs. The modification needs mentioned most frequently are cosmetic or minor repairs such as painting or floor refinishing (7%) and structural changes or major repairs such as a new roof or new plumbing (5%). Other modifications are mentioned less frequently.

Note: Bars with the same values may appear different lengths due to rounding. Percentages are rounded to the nearest whole number.

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Figure 3.3



Overall, one of ten (10%) people age 65+ say that their current residence needs significant repairs, modification, or changes to improve their ability to live there over the next five years. Figure 3.3 shows differences by demographic characteristics. People with incomes below 200% of poverty are more than twice as likely as those with incomes at or above 200% of poverty to have home modification needs (19% vs. 7%). While the differences within race category appears large (29% vs. 8%) note that the percentage of people other than white non-Hispanic is small within this community. Therefore, caution should be exercised when making inferences by race. The differences in the need for home modifications are minimal within the age and gender categories.

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Figure 3.4

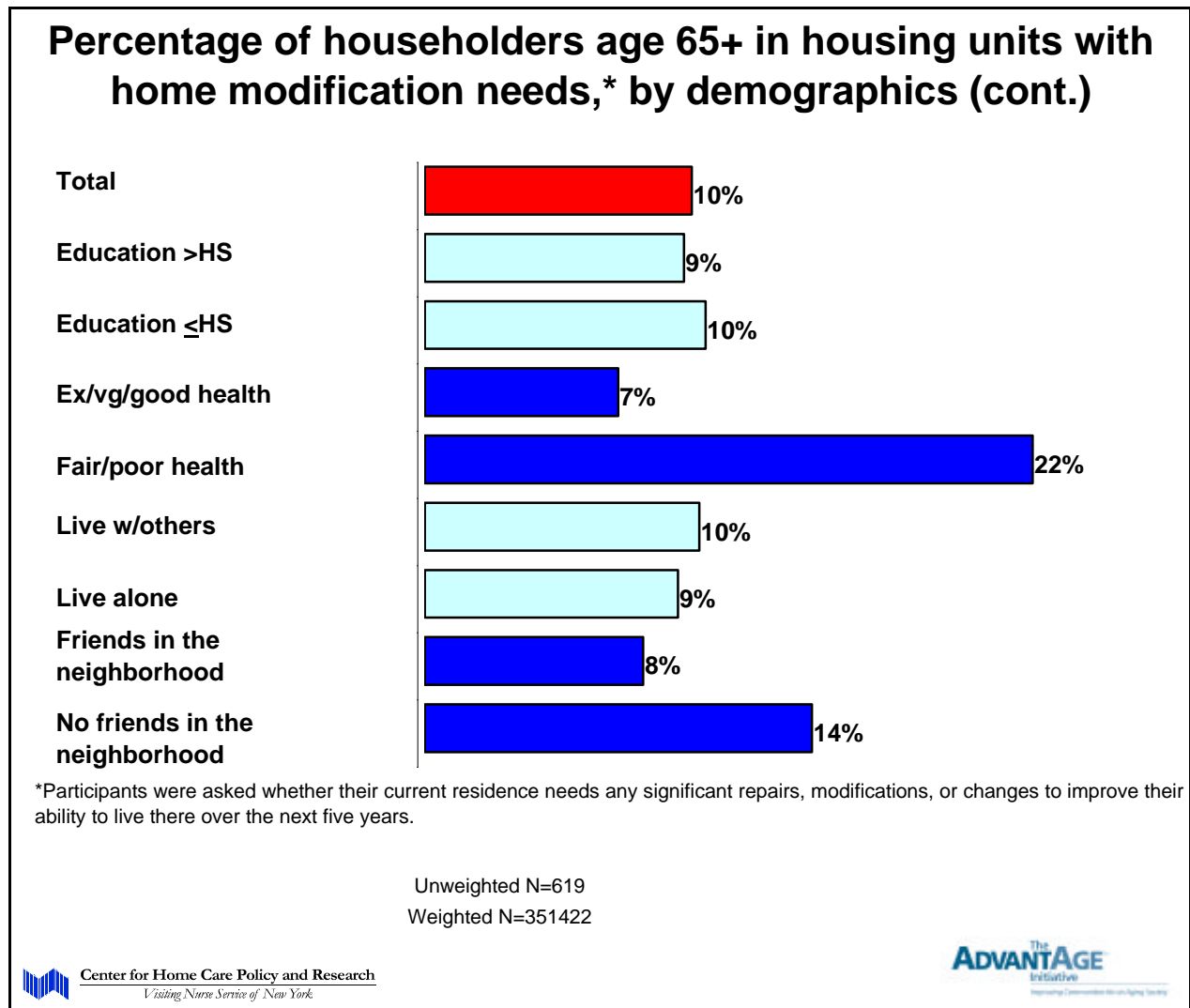


Figure 3.4 shows additional differences by demographic characteristics. The difference within the health status category is particularly striking. People age 65+ in fair or poor health are three times as likely as those in better health (22% vs. 7%) to say that their current residences need significant repairs, modifications, or changes. The differences in modification needs are small within the other demographic categories.

Note: HS=high school; Ex=excellent; vg=very good.