

PARENTAL INCOME **SIGNIFICANTLY** INFLUENCES CAREER EARNINGS

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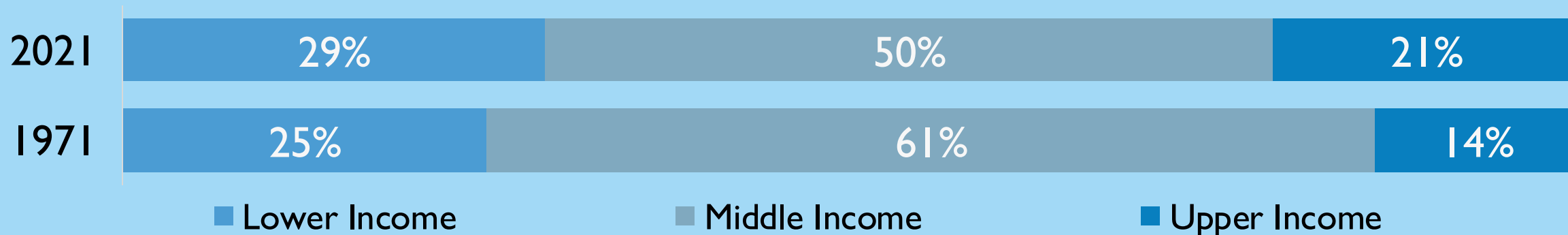
WITH PARENTS AMONG THE
TOP 20% OF EARNERS

40% chance of remaining in the top 20%
8% chance of falling to the bottom 20%

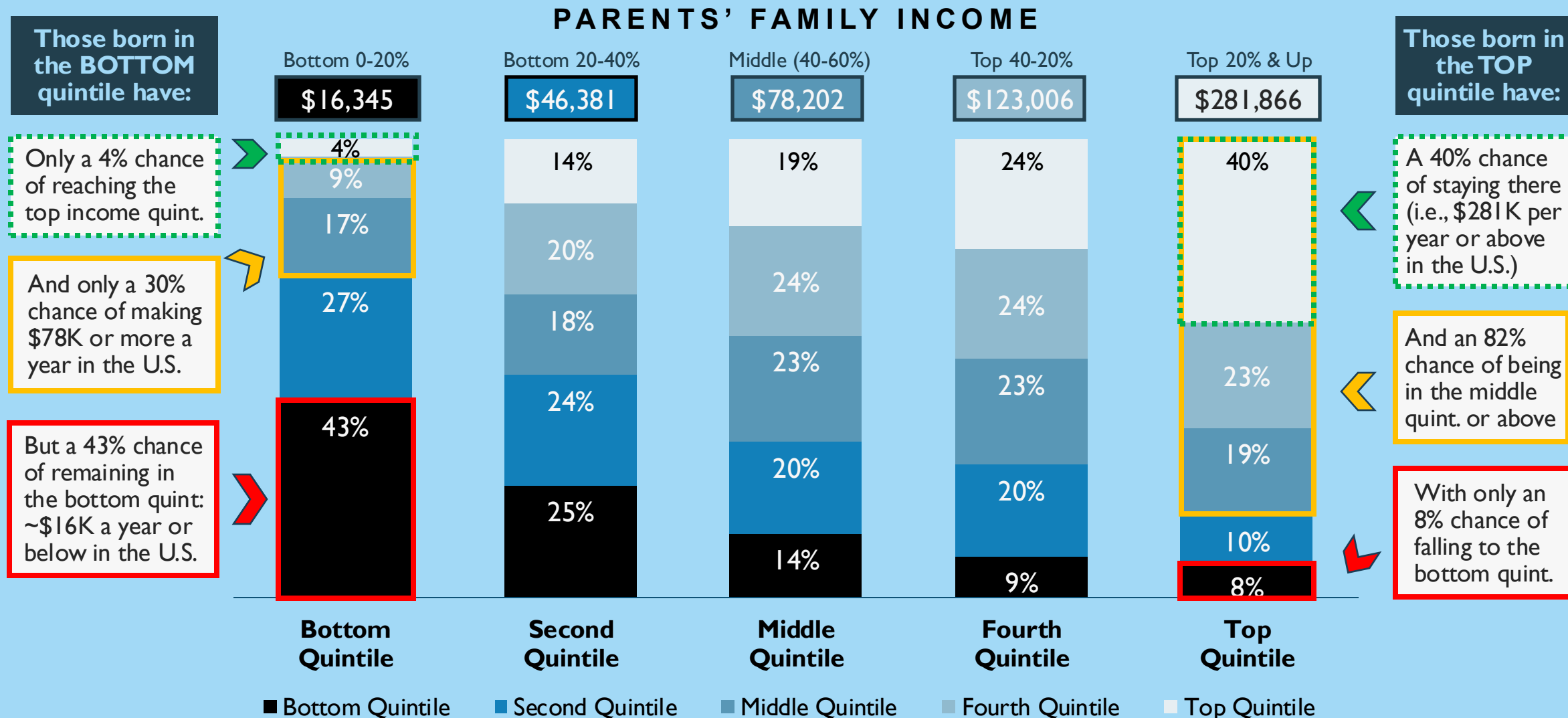
WITH PARENTS AMONG THE
BOTTOM 20% OF EARNERS

43% chance of remaining in bottom 20%
4% chance of making it to the top 20%

AS ILLUSTRATED BY THE SHRINKING OF THE AMERICAN MIDDLE CLASS



LIKELIHOOD OF ECONOMIC SUCCESS BY PARENTS' INCOME (BY QUINTILE)



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