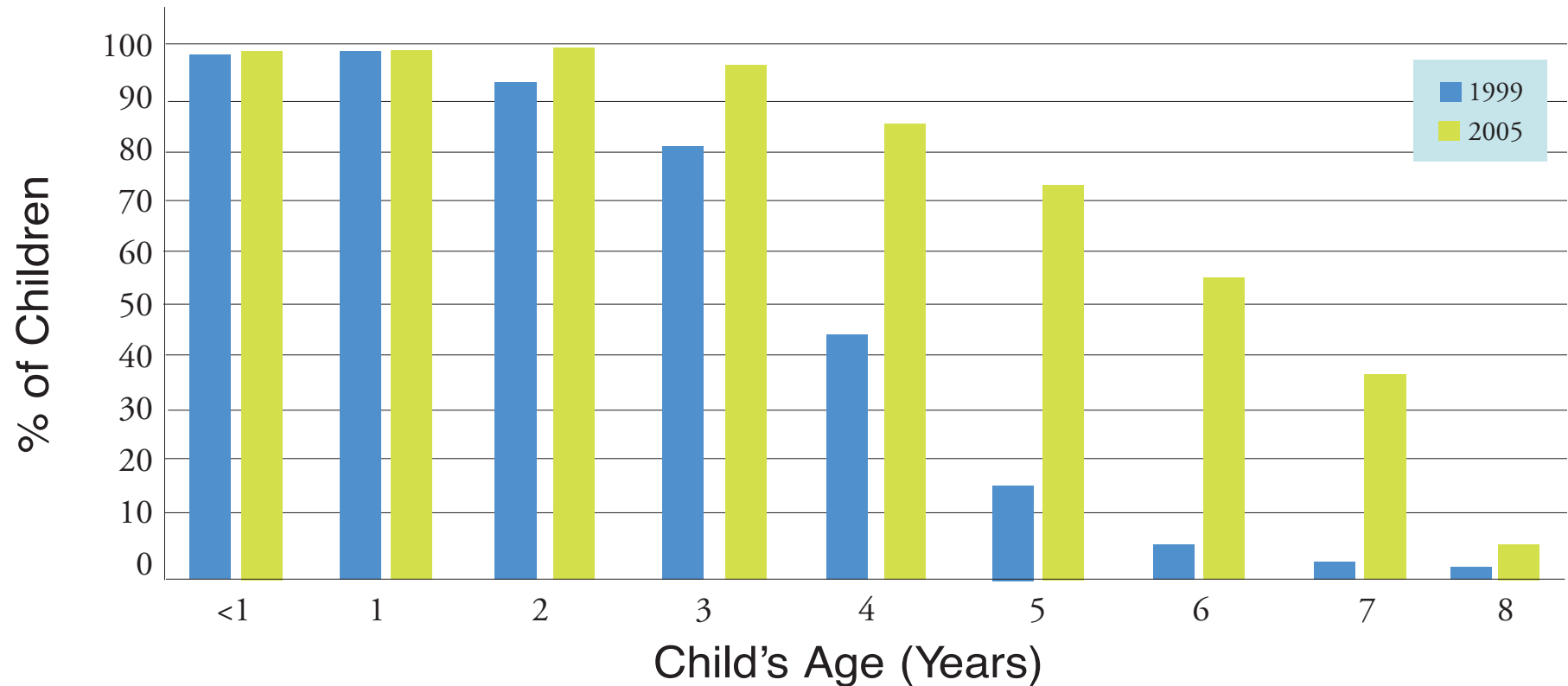


# Child Restraint Use by Age 1999 vs. 2005



There was an overall increase in child restraint use for children through age 8: from 51 percent in 1999 to 73 percent in 2005. By the end of 2005, 51 percent of 4- to 8-year-olds were using child restraints as compared to only 15 percent in 1999. Despite these gains, nearly one-half of children in this age group remain improperly restrained in adult seat belts rather than in child restraints and remain at unnecessary risk of injury in a crash.