

Presentation of the **20th Idaho Public Policy Survey - *Statewide Results***

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- The Public Policy Center has conducted a statewide, survey of Idaho citizens for 20 years. This survey is meant to identify opinions about a variety of public policy concerns. The study is provided to the public – including officials and interested citizens - to facilitate policy discussion and education.
- Adults in 525 Idaho households representing three geographic regions were surveyed between November 18th, 2010 and January 8th, 2011. This is a random sample survey (RDD) to landline telephones and cell phones. Telephone calls, interviews, data collection and data preparation were contracted to Clearwater Research. Analysis and reporting are conducted by Boise State University.
- The survey standard error is +/- 5% at a 95% confidence-level for the total population.



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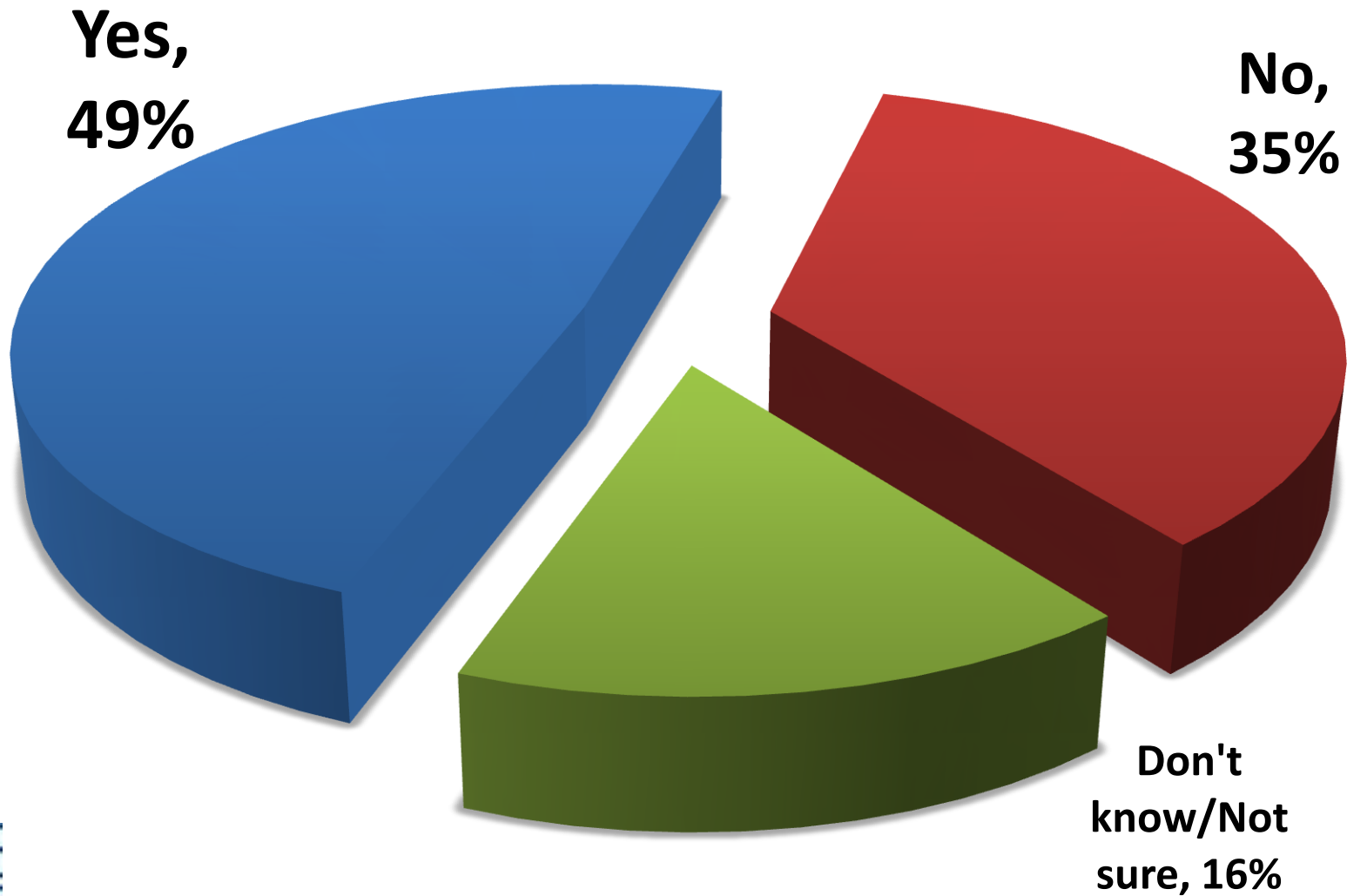
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Regions covered in the survey

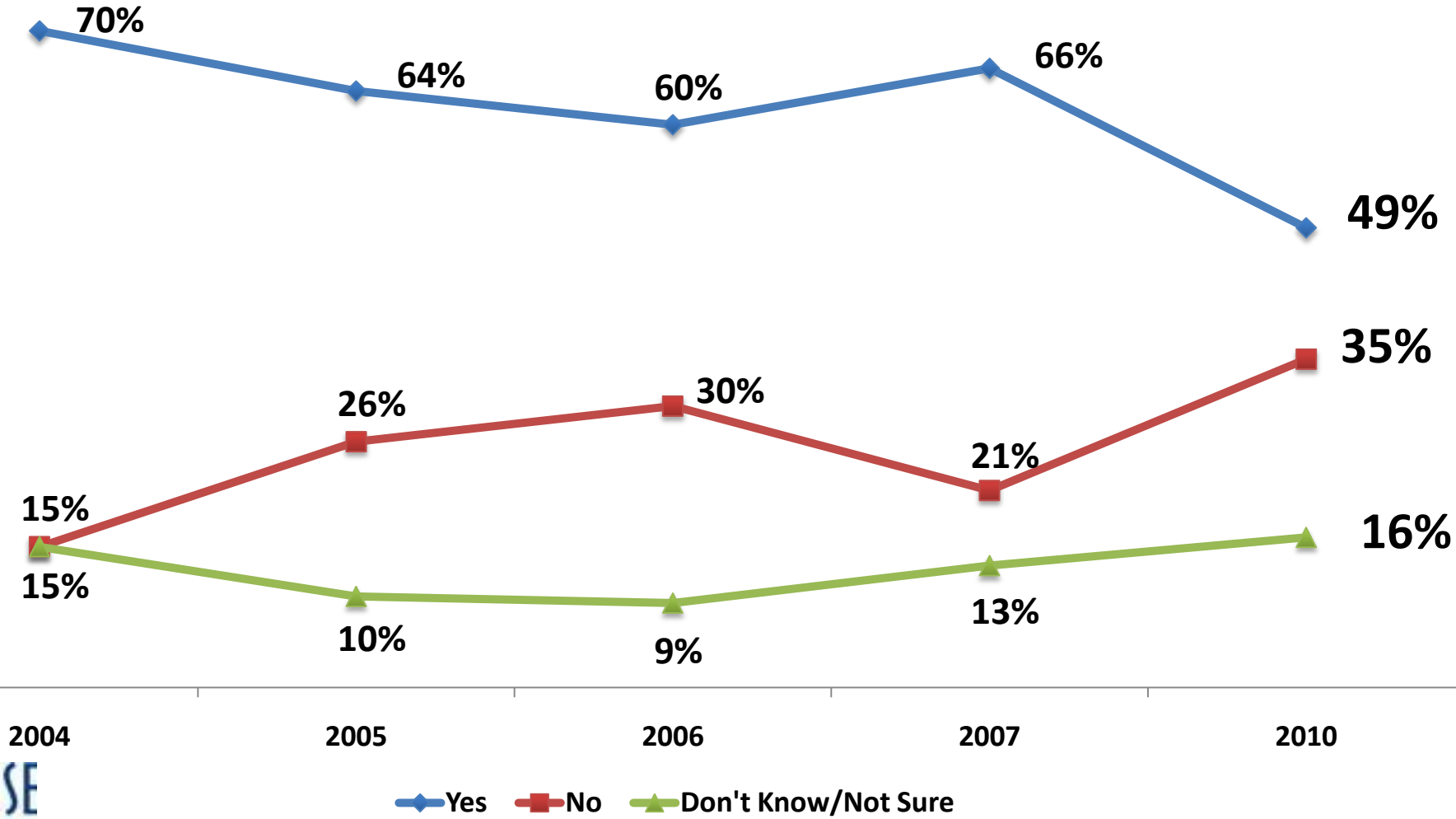


- I. Boundary, Bonner, Kootenai, Benewah, Shoshone, Latah, Clearwater, Nez Perce, Lewis, Idaho
- II. Adams, Valley, Washington, Payette, Gem, Boise, Canyon, Ada, Elmore, Owyhee, Camas, Blaine, Gooding, Lincoln, Minidoka, Jerome, Twin Falls, Cassia
- III. Bingham, Power, Bannock, Oneida, Franklin, Bear Lake, Caribou, Lemhi, Custer, Butte, Clark, Fremont, Jefferson, Madison, Teton, Bonneville

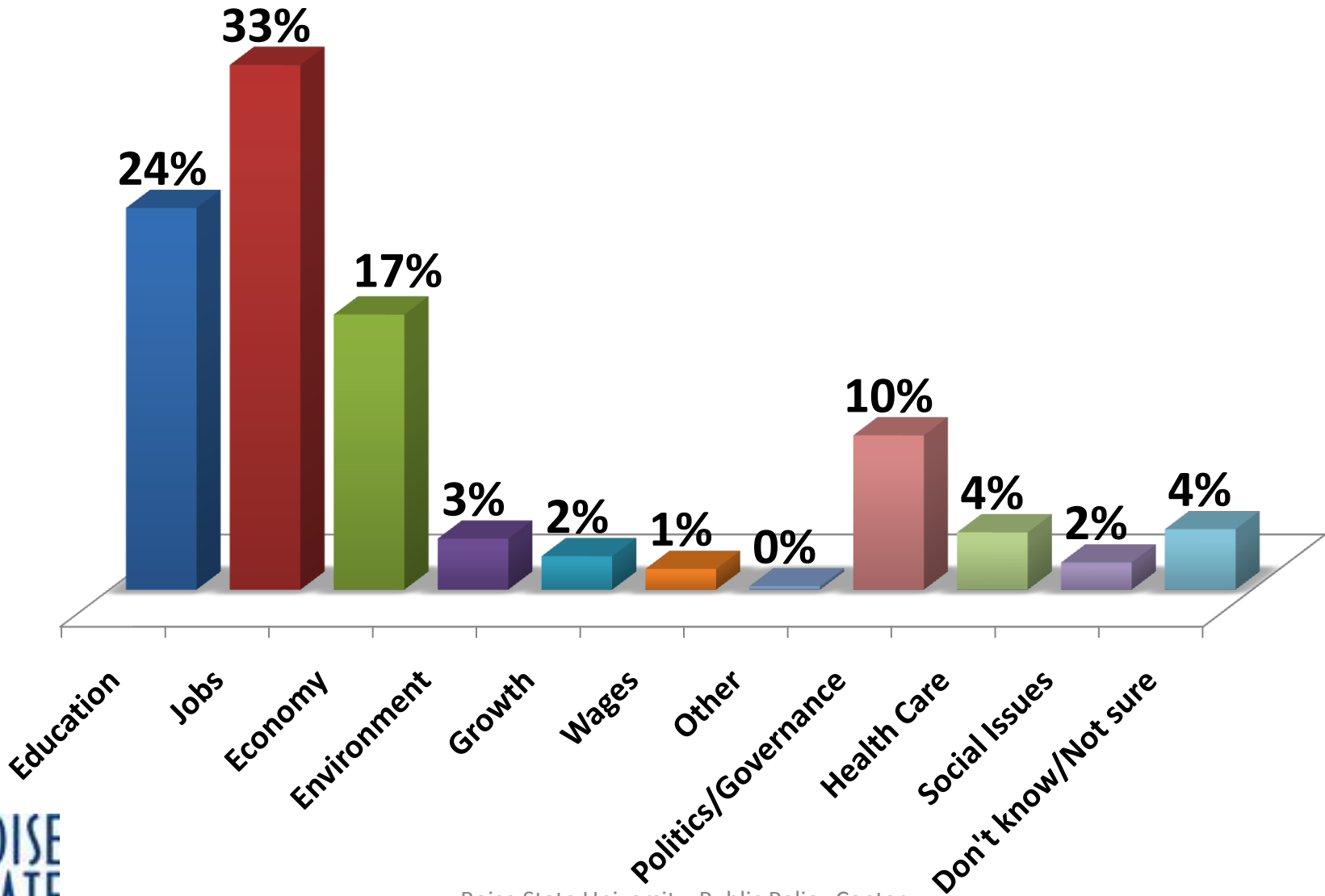
Do you think the State is headed in the right direction?



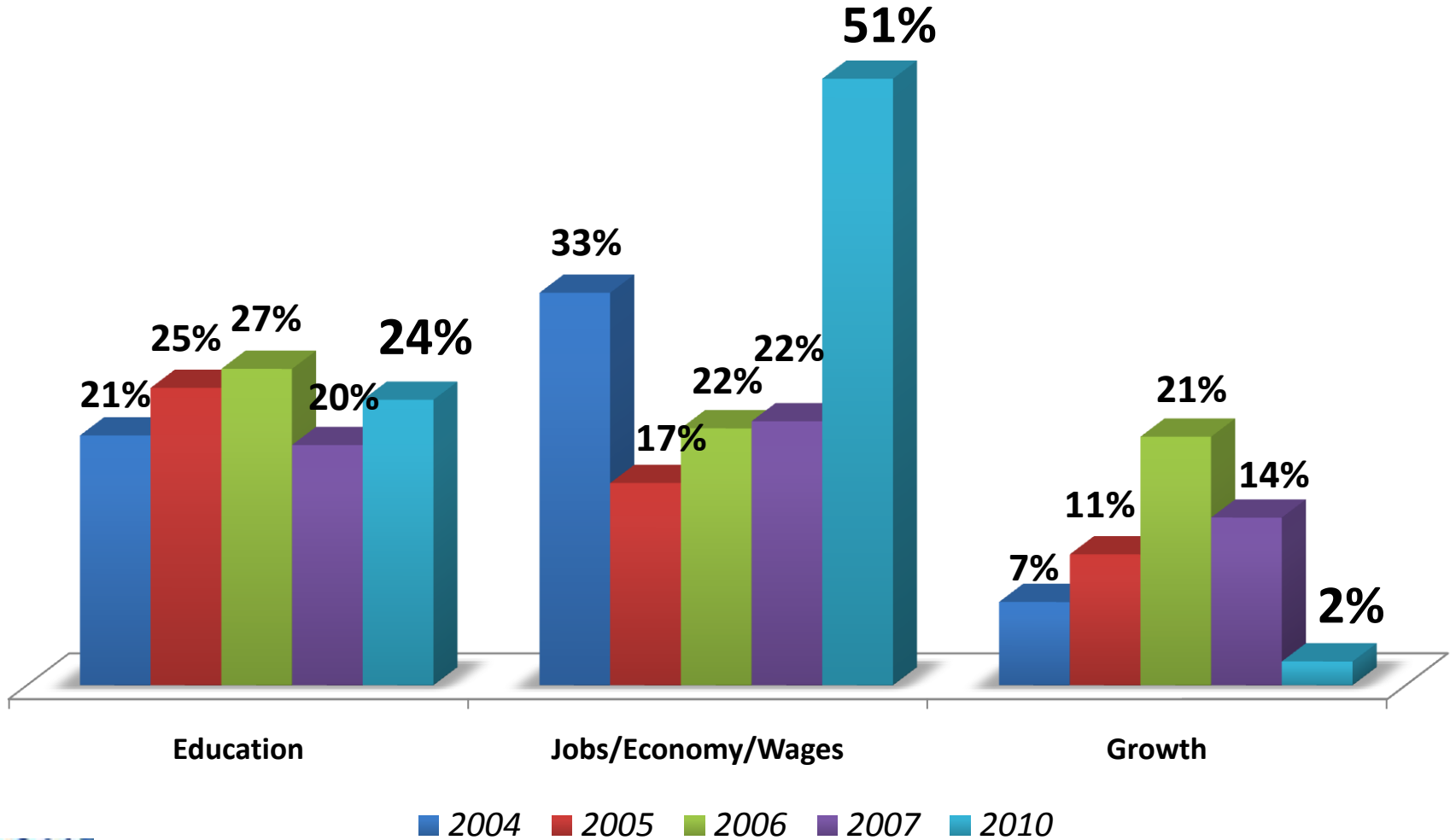
Five year trend – Is the state headed in the right direction?



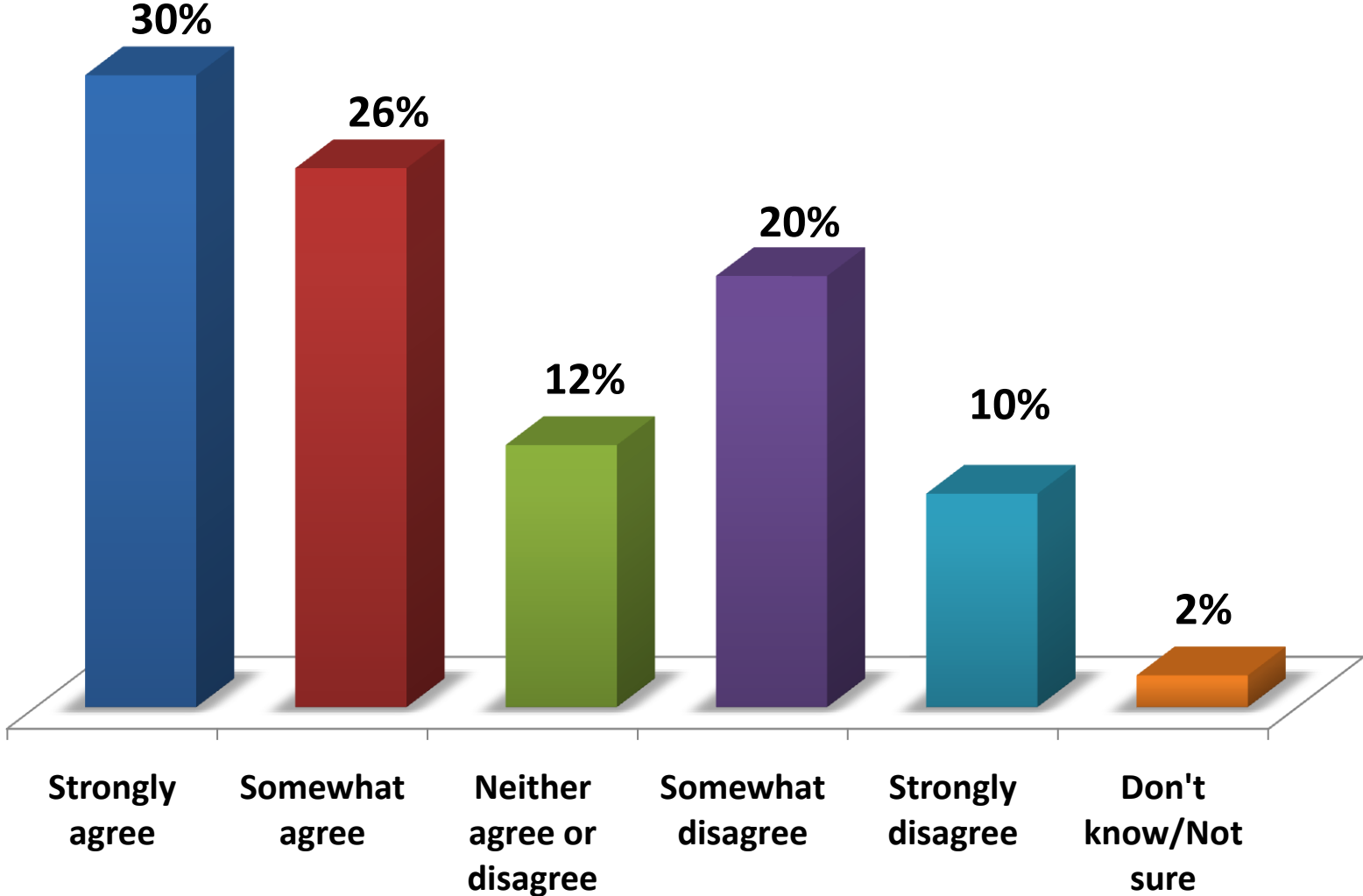
Most important issue facing Idaho today?



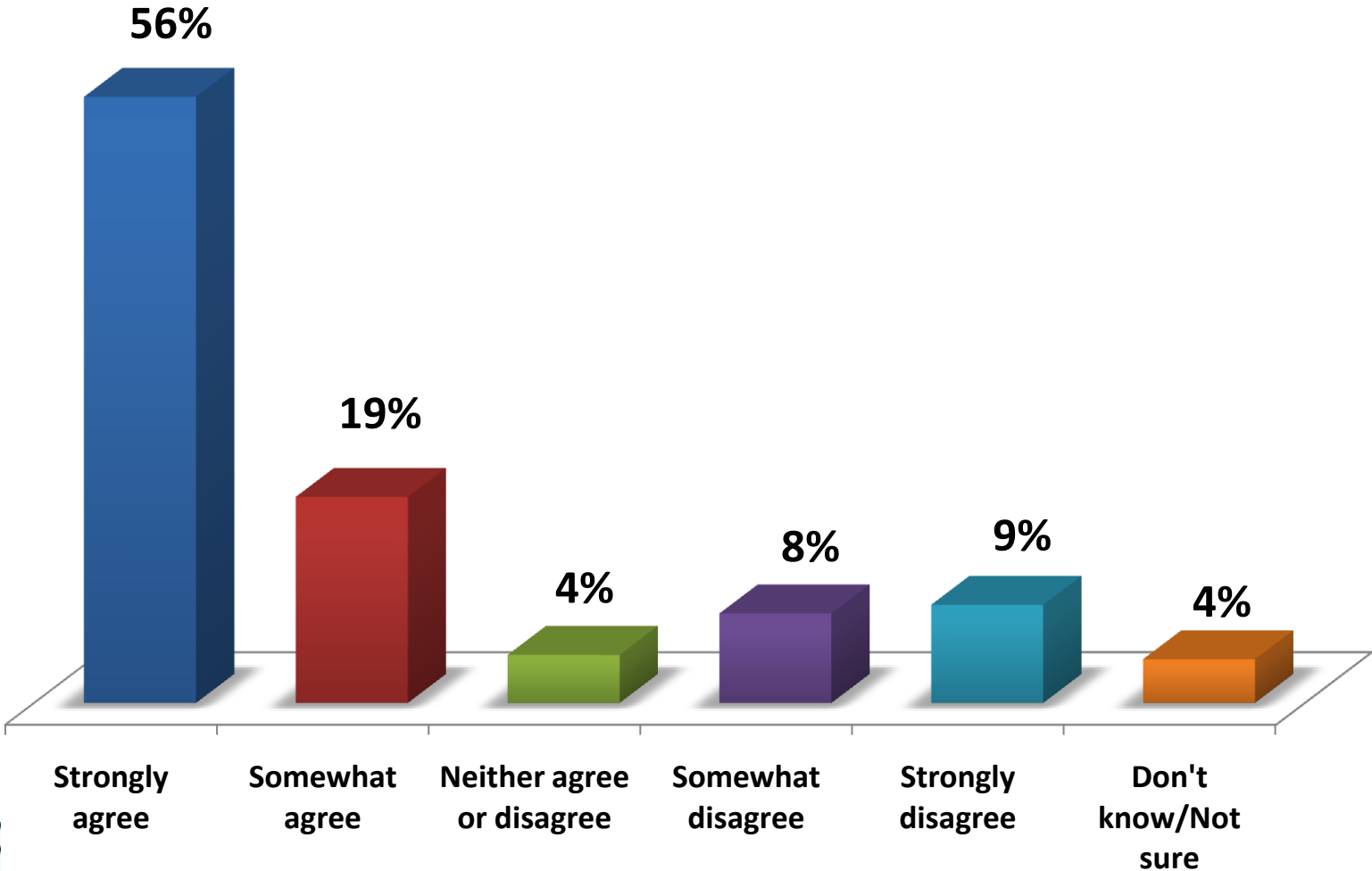
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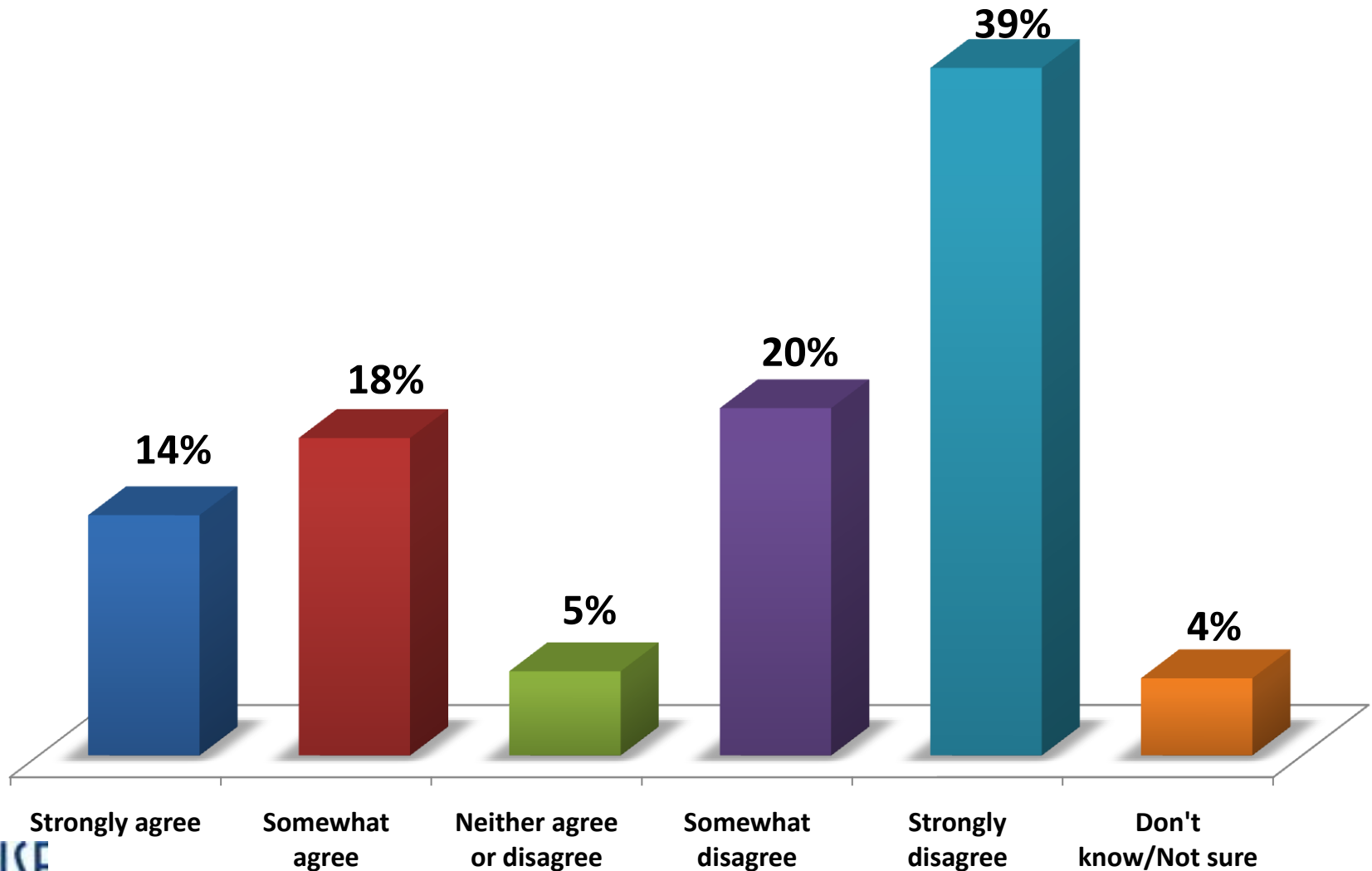
My household has been personally impacted by cuts in State programs and services



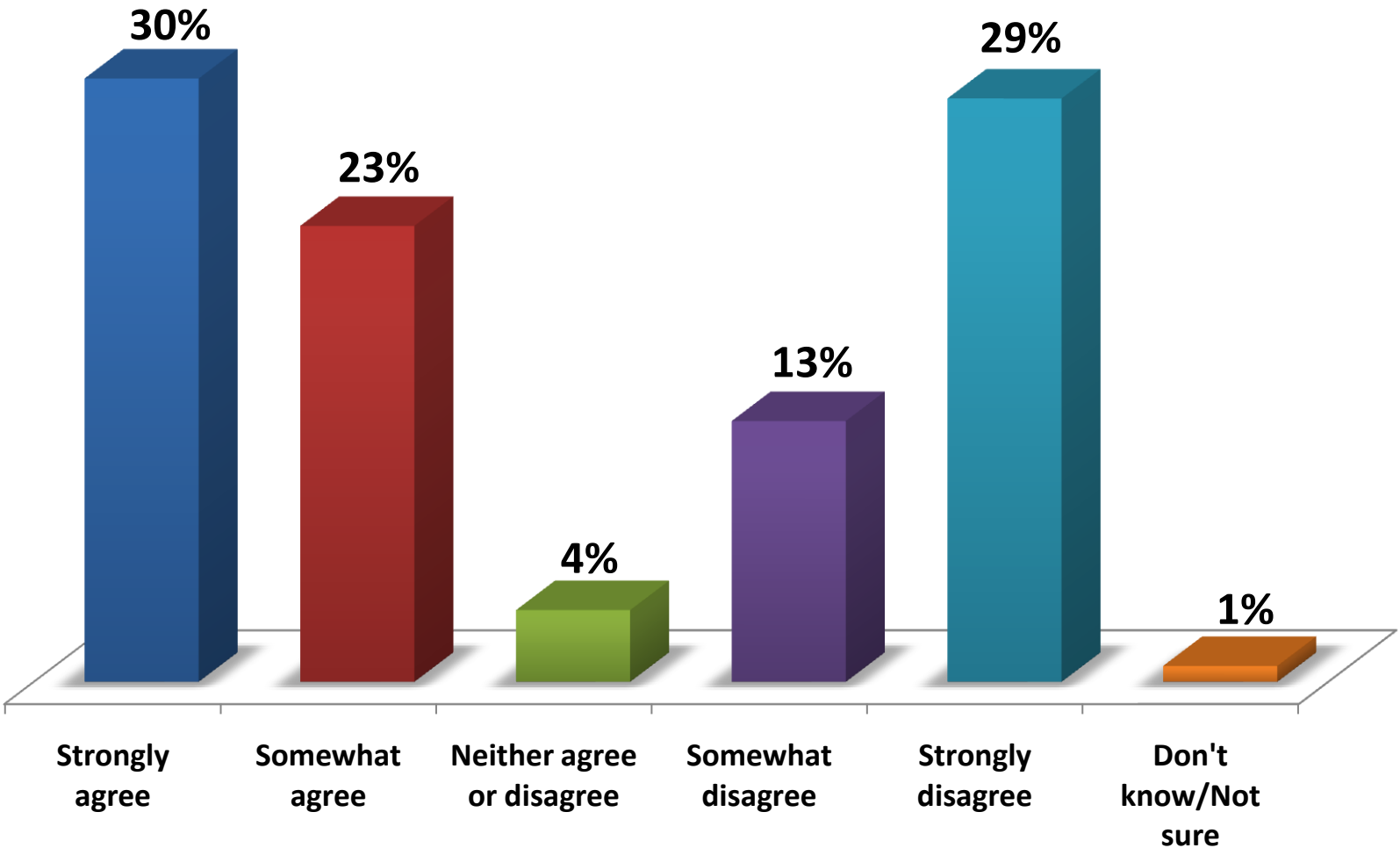
Budget cuts have affected the quality of children's education



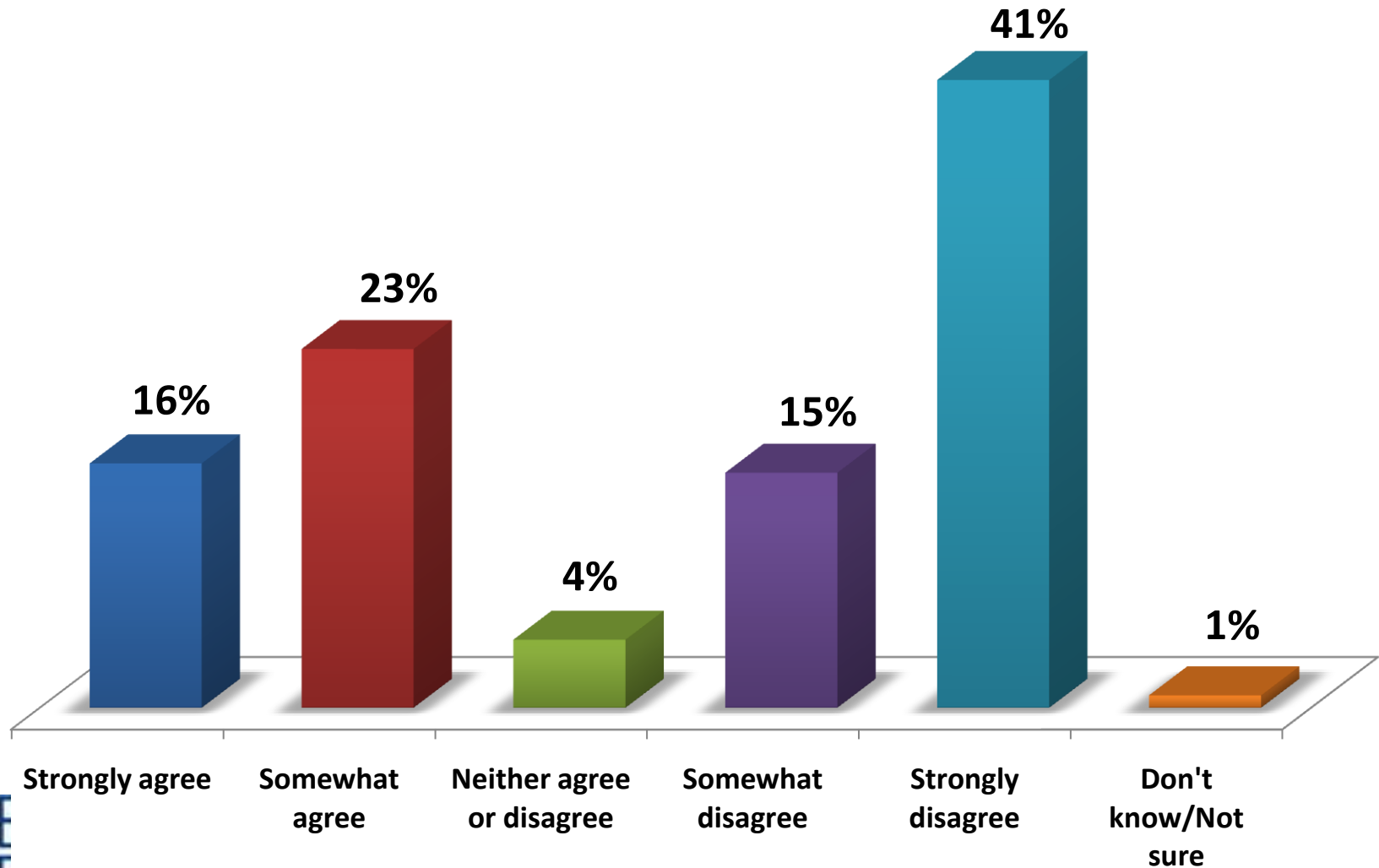
The State is investing enough in higher education in Idaho



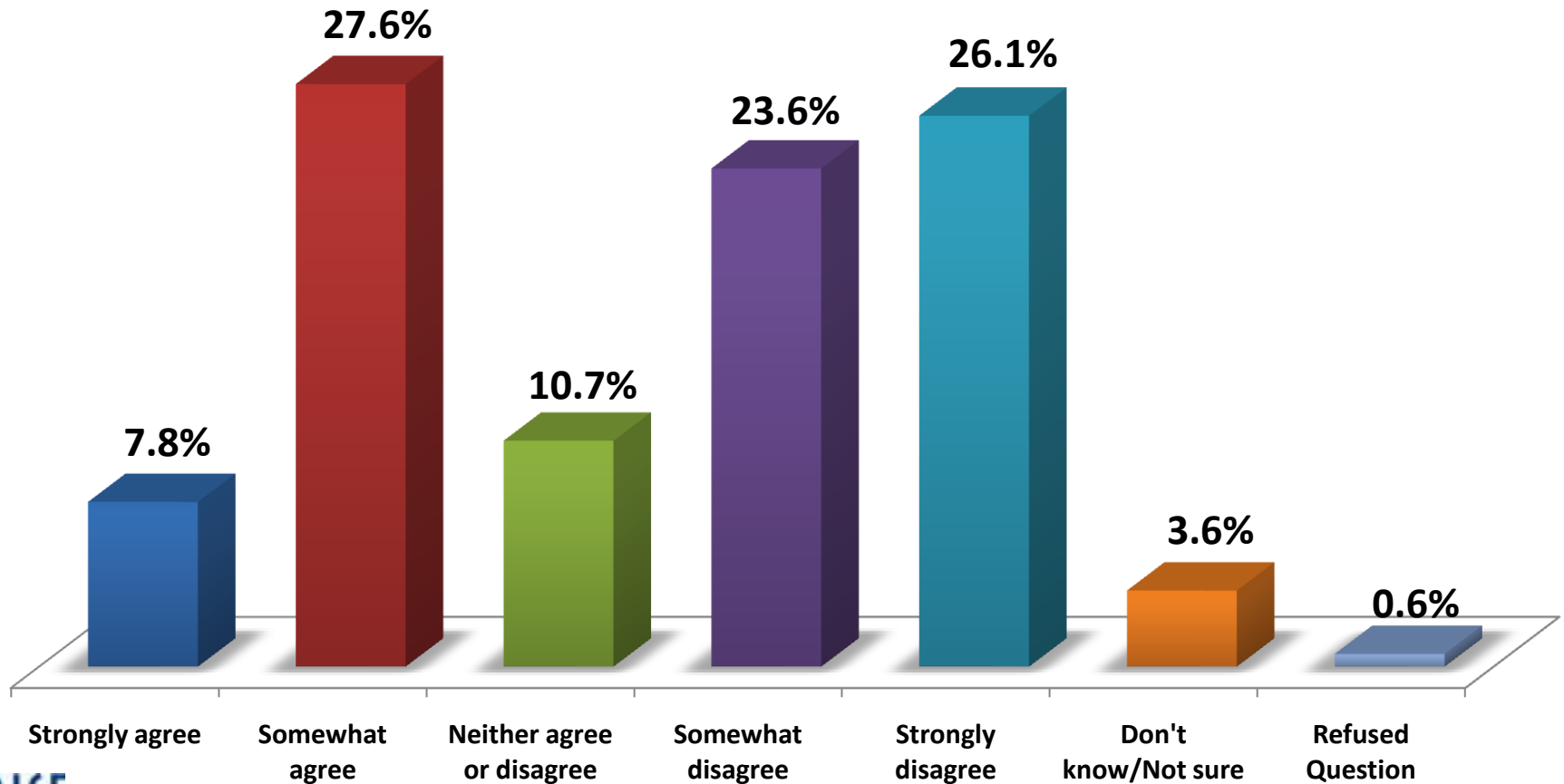
Idaho should raise sales tax to support the K-12 public school budget



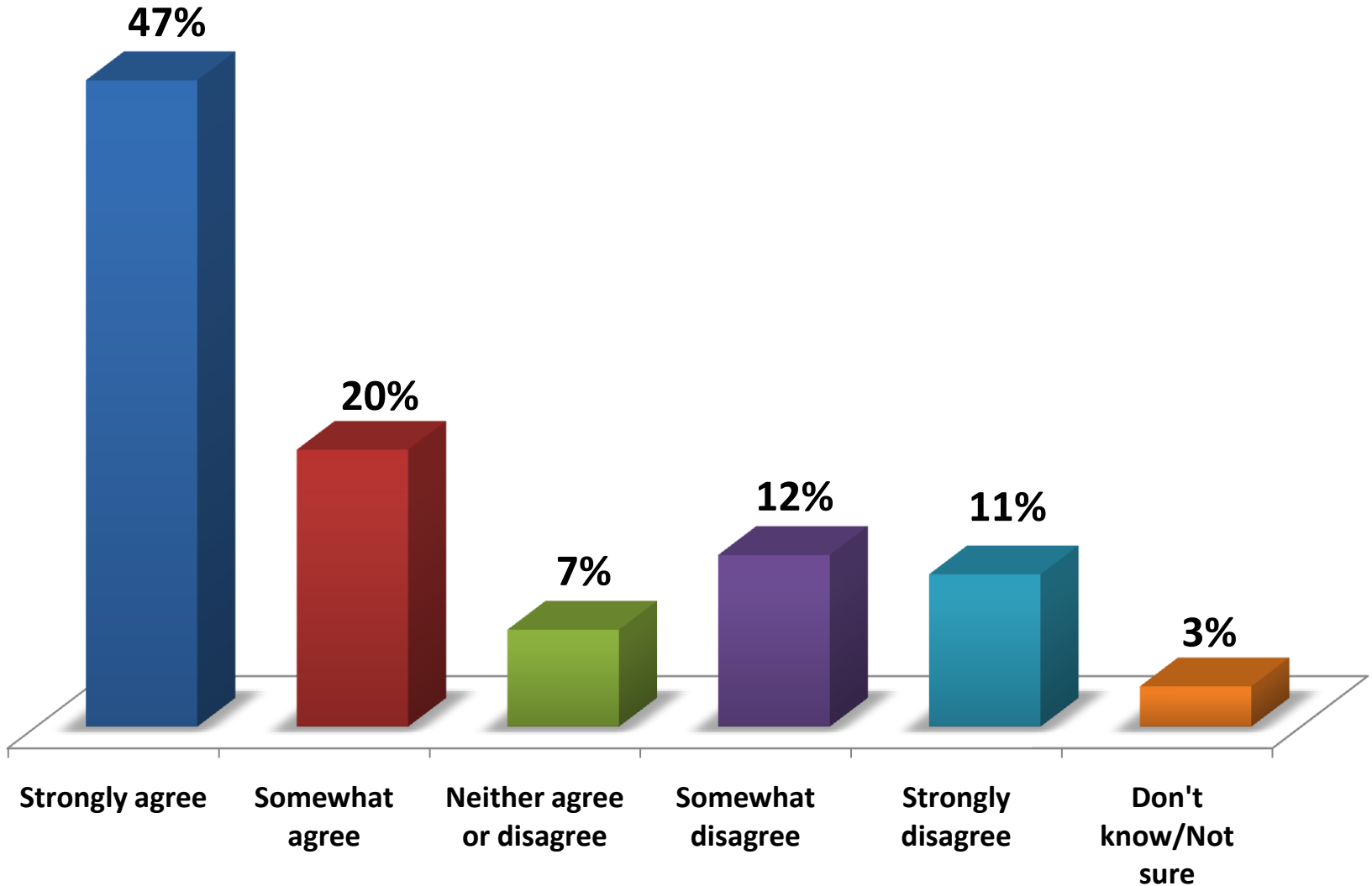
Idaho should raise the sales tax by \$0.01 to help close the budget gap



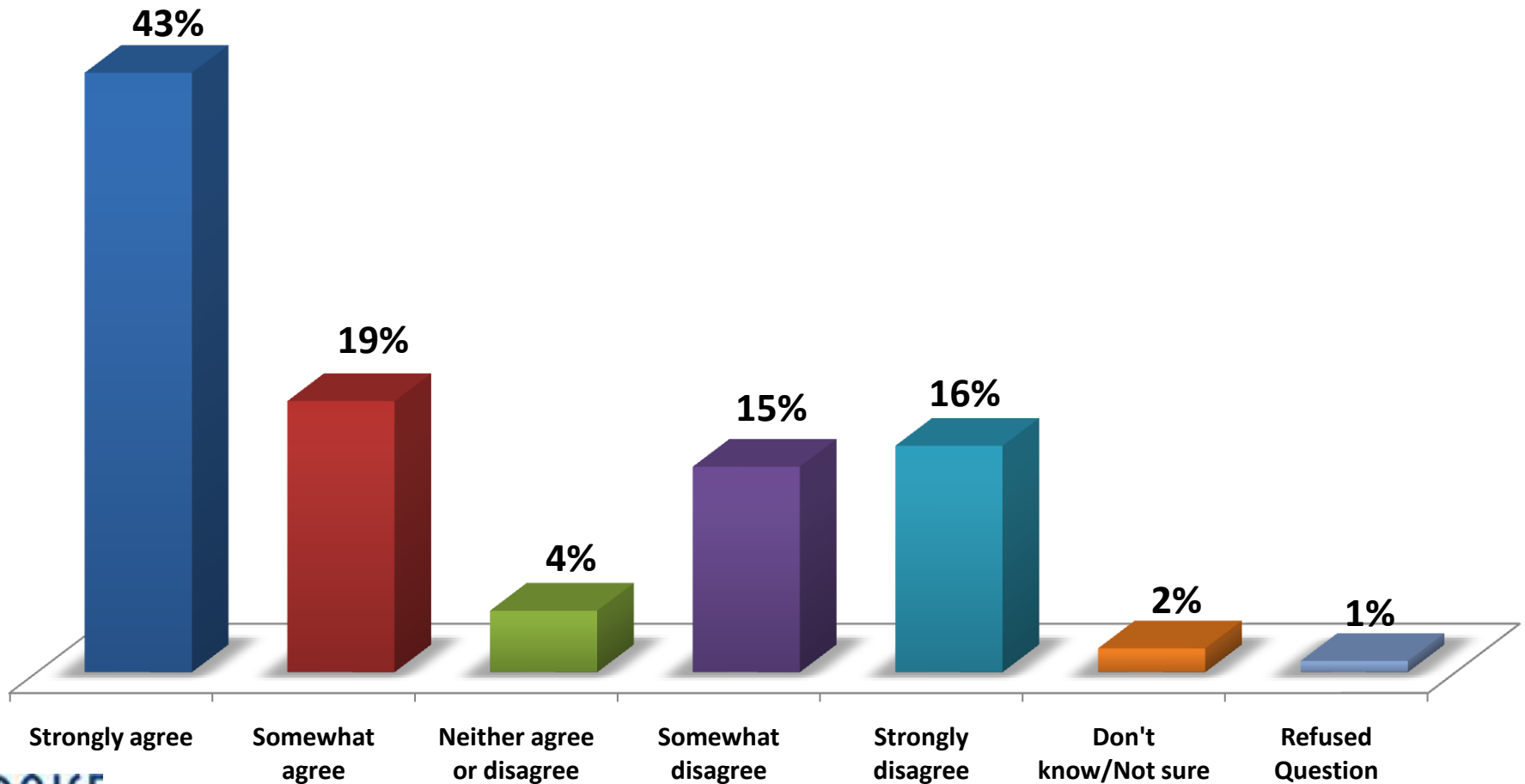
The State is doing enough to encourage economic development in your area of the State



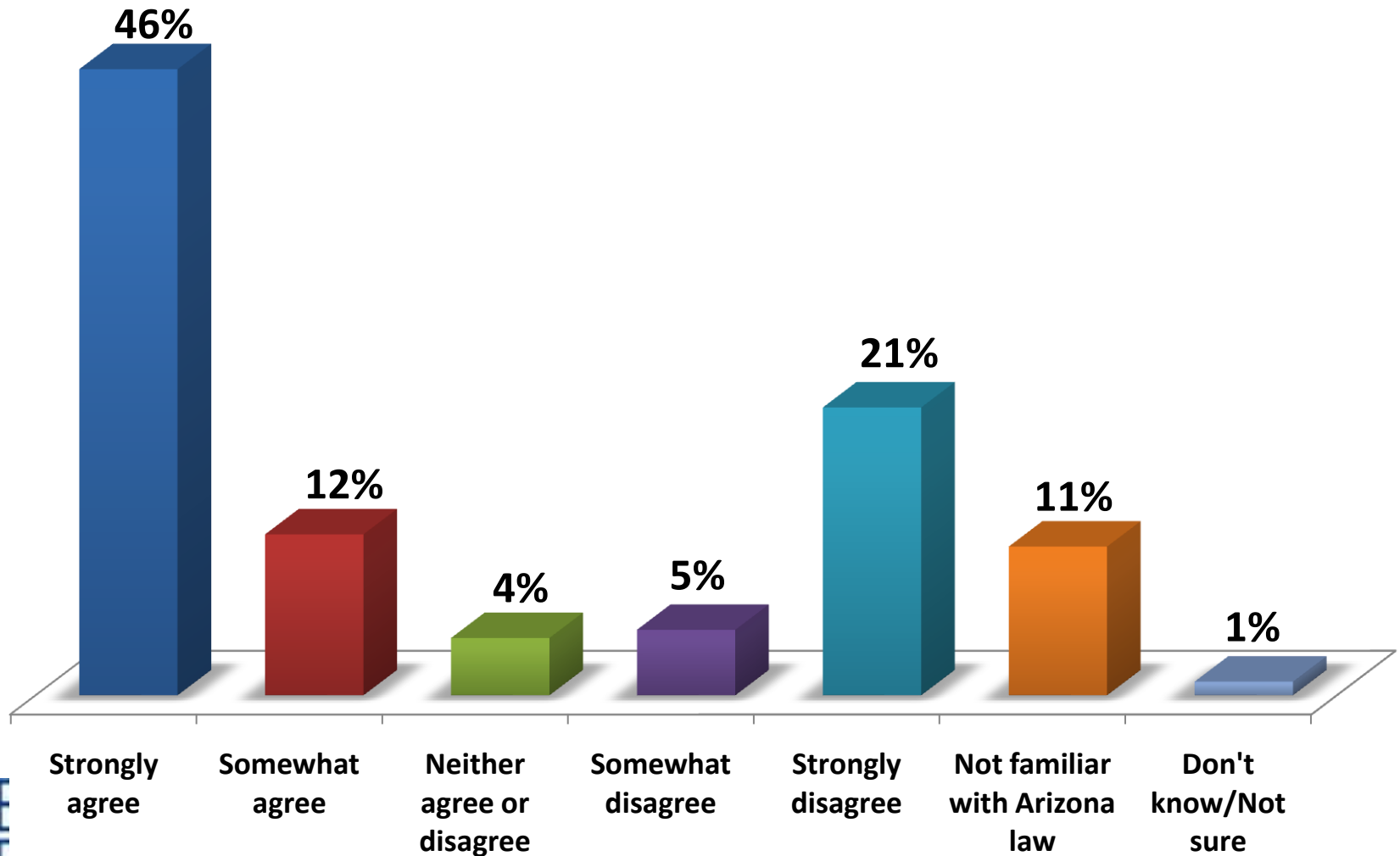
Immigration is a problem in Idaho



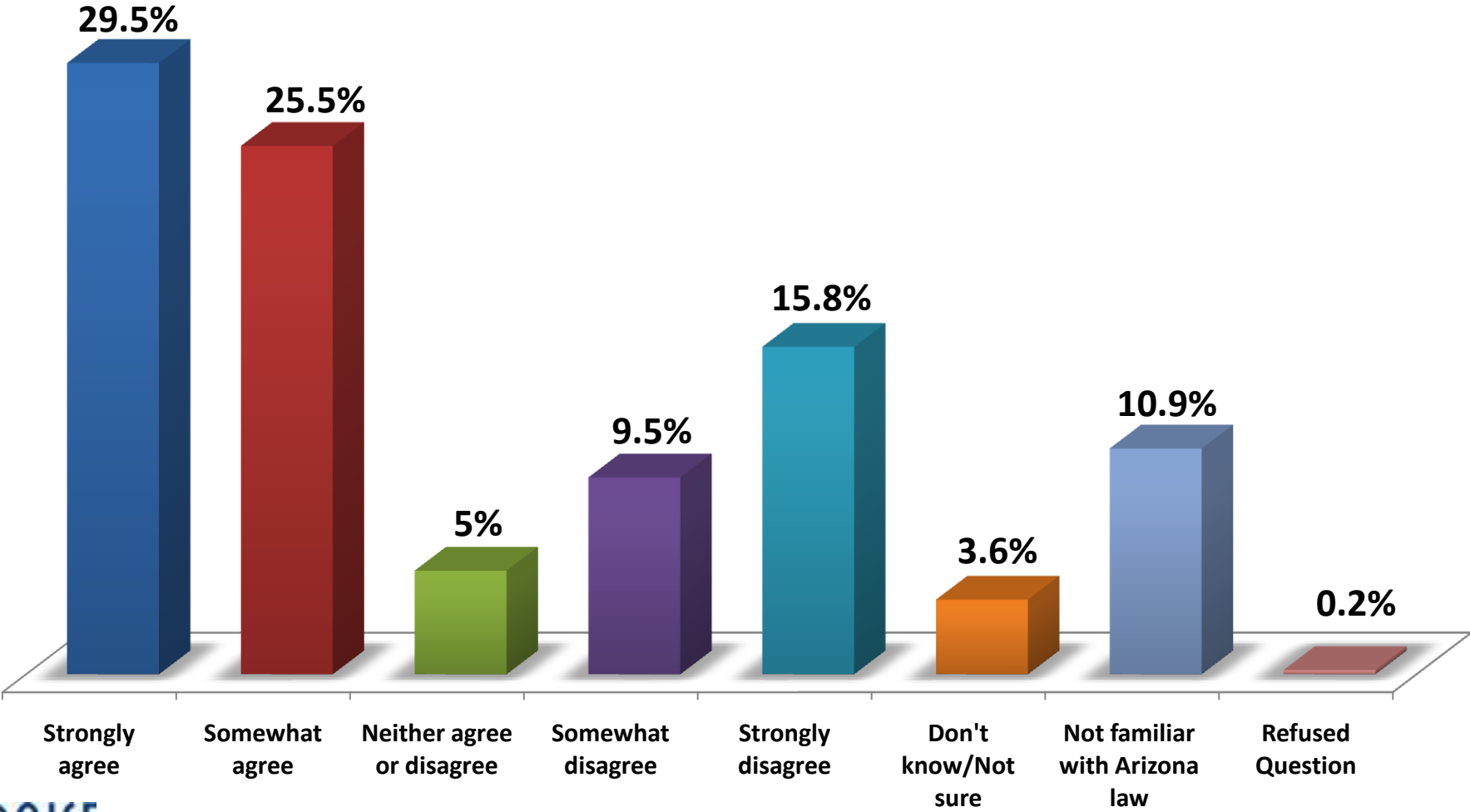
Counties should deny indigent health services to undocumented workers



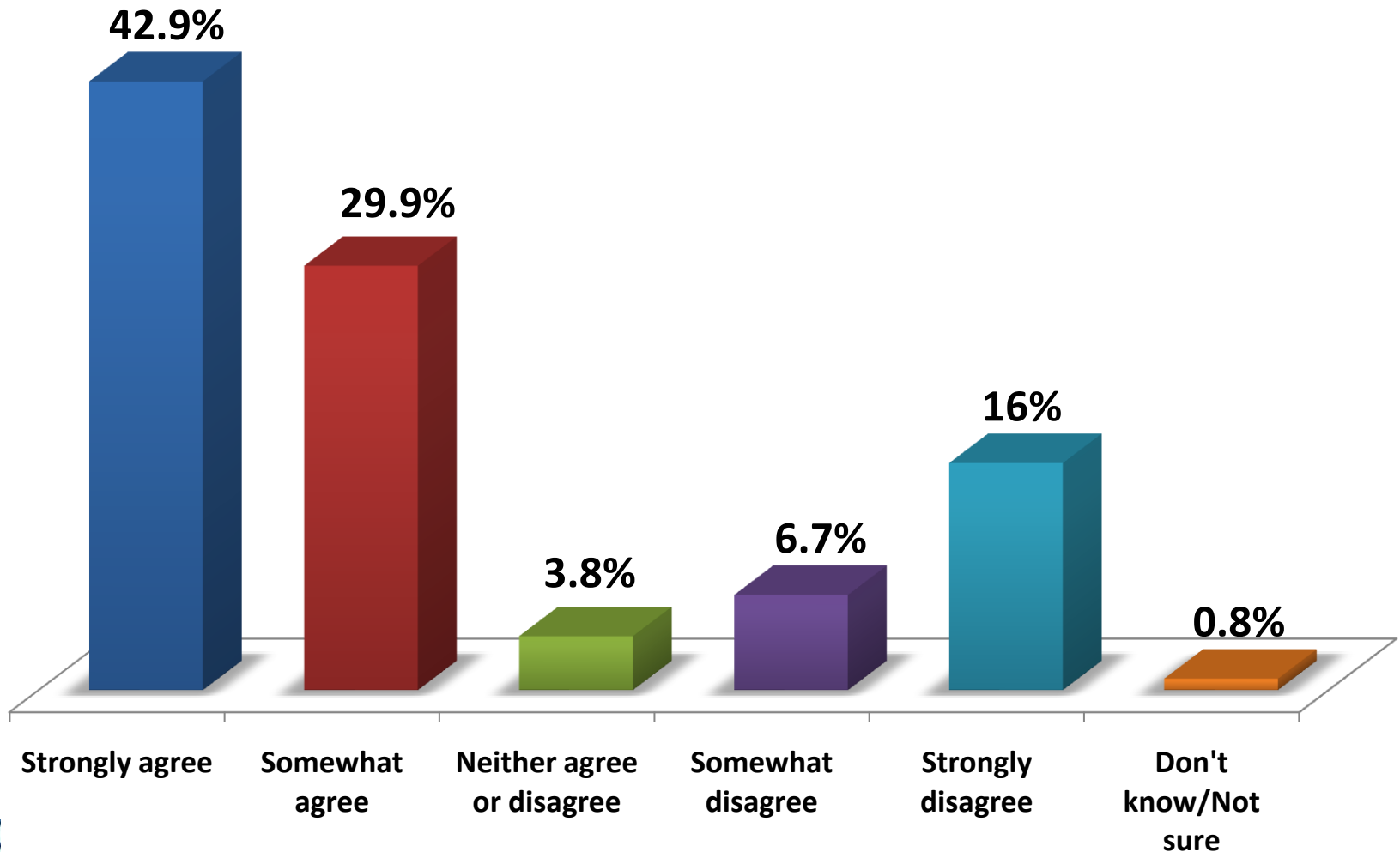
Idaho should pass a law concerning illegal immigrants similar to the law Arizona recently passed



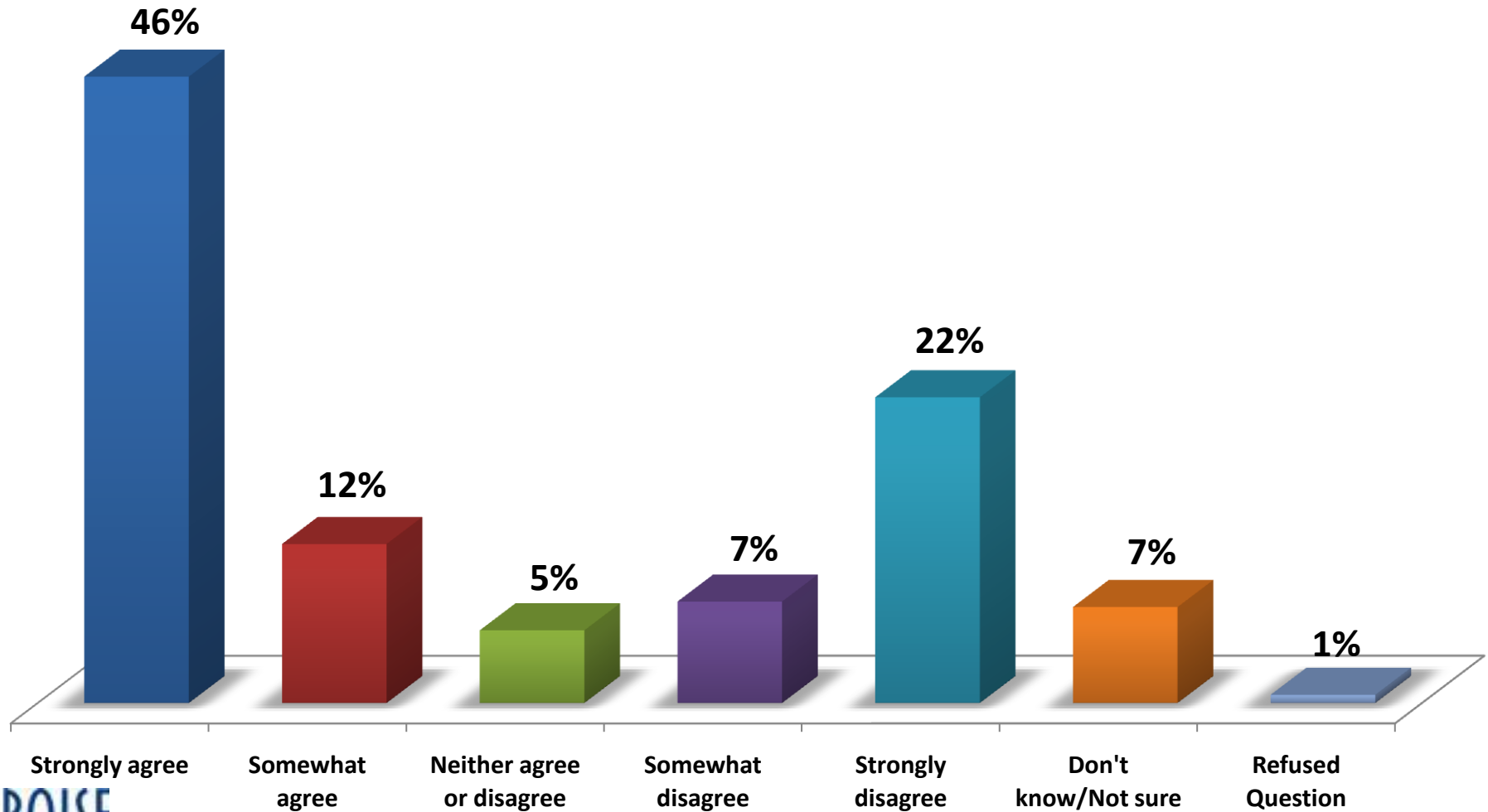
A law similar to Arizona's new immigration law will reduce illegal immigration



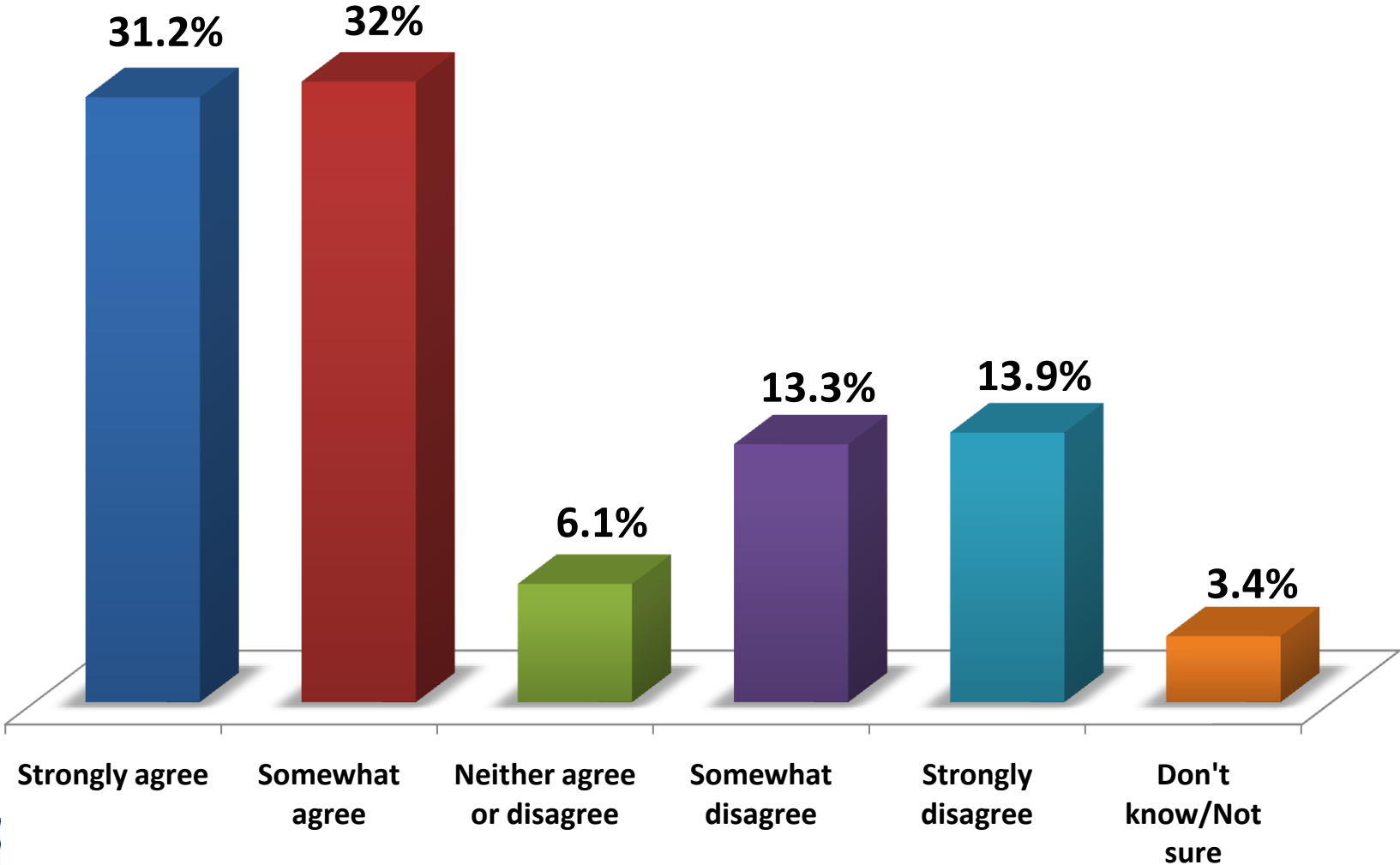
A program should be created that would allow illegal immigrants to stay in this country permanently



Idaho should be able to opt out of the 2010 health care bill



Public funds should be used to help provide health insurance to people who cannot afford it

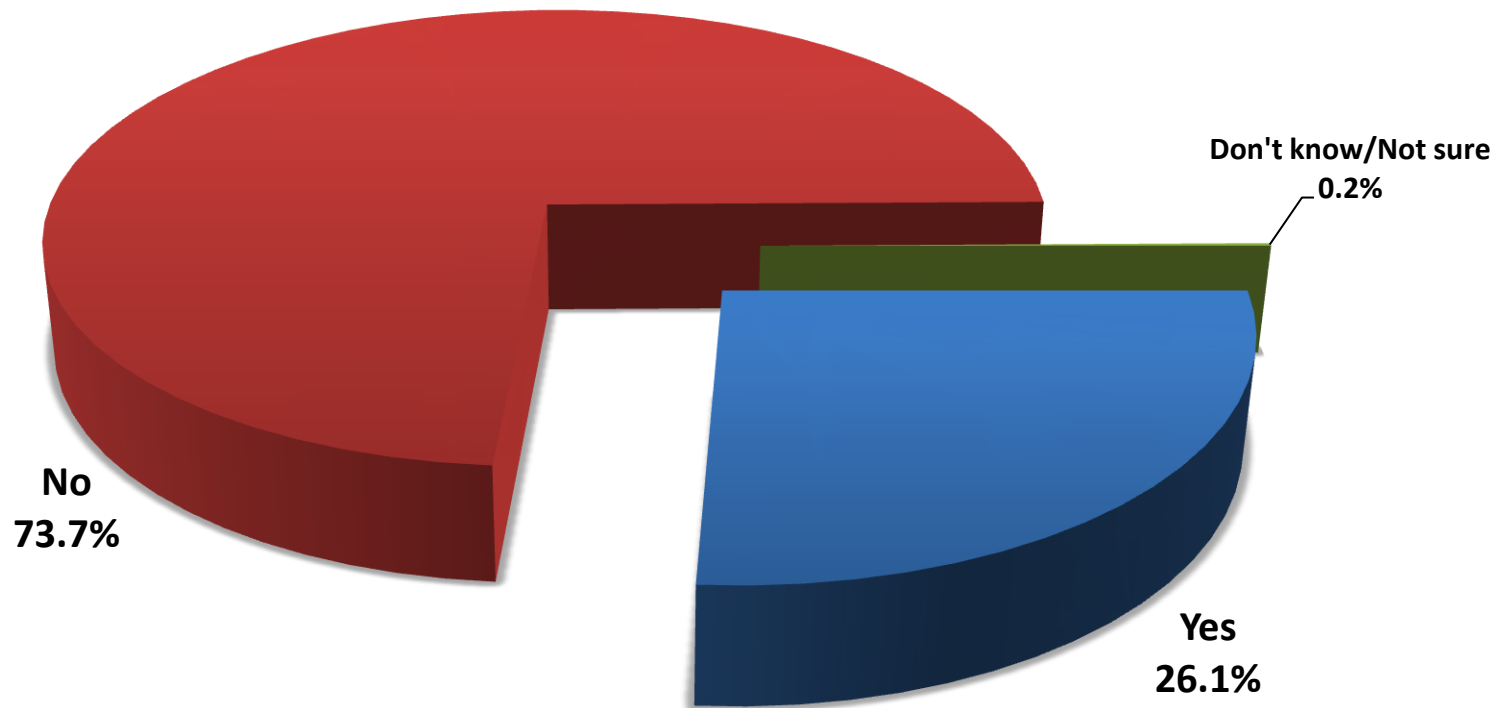


Questions and Answers

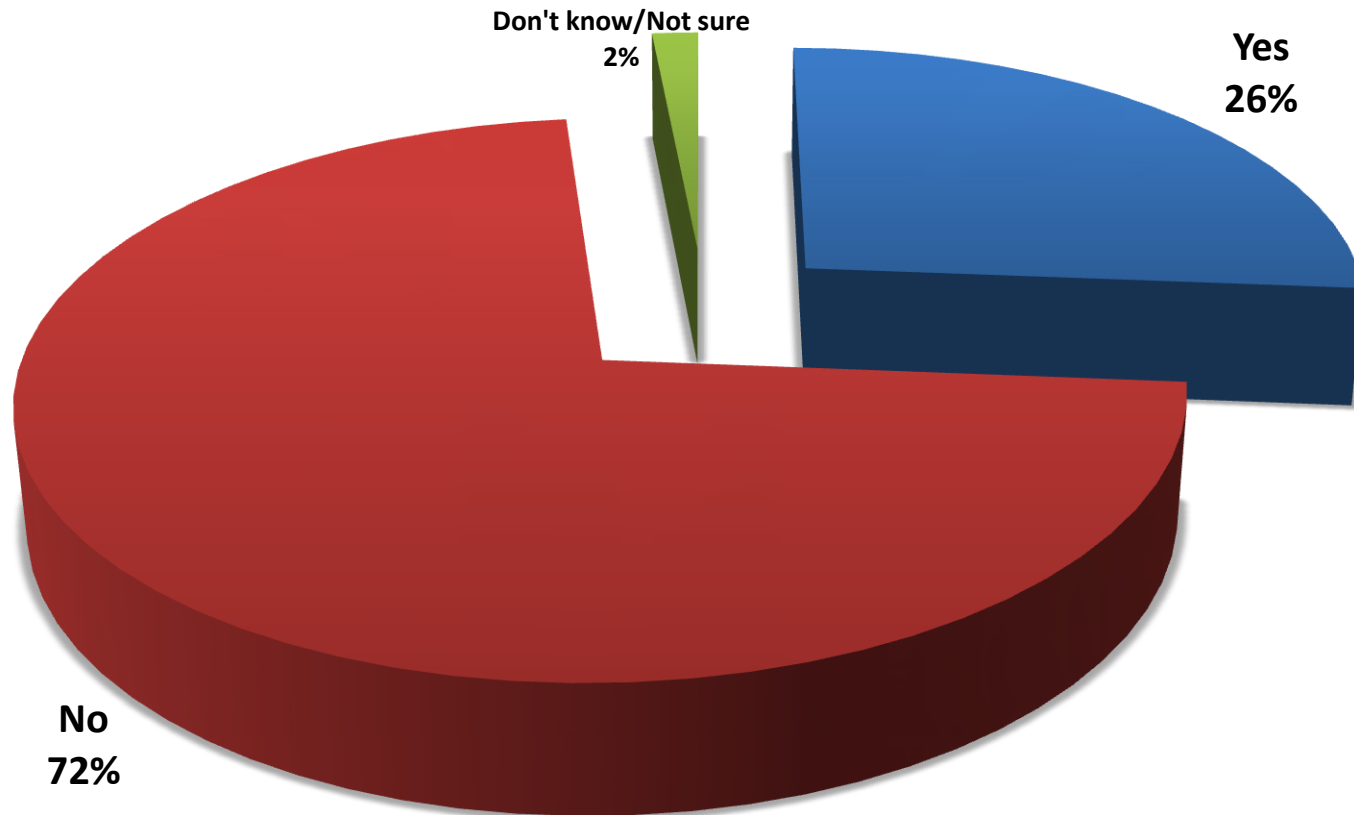
- *You will find additional slides with information included in the handout.*
- *A convenient on-line presentation for your use can be found on the web at:*

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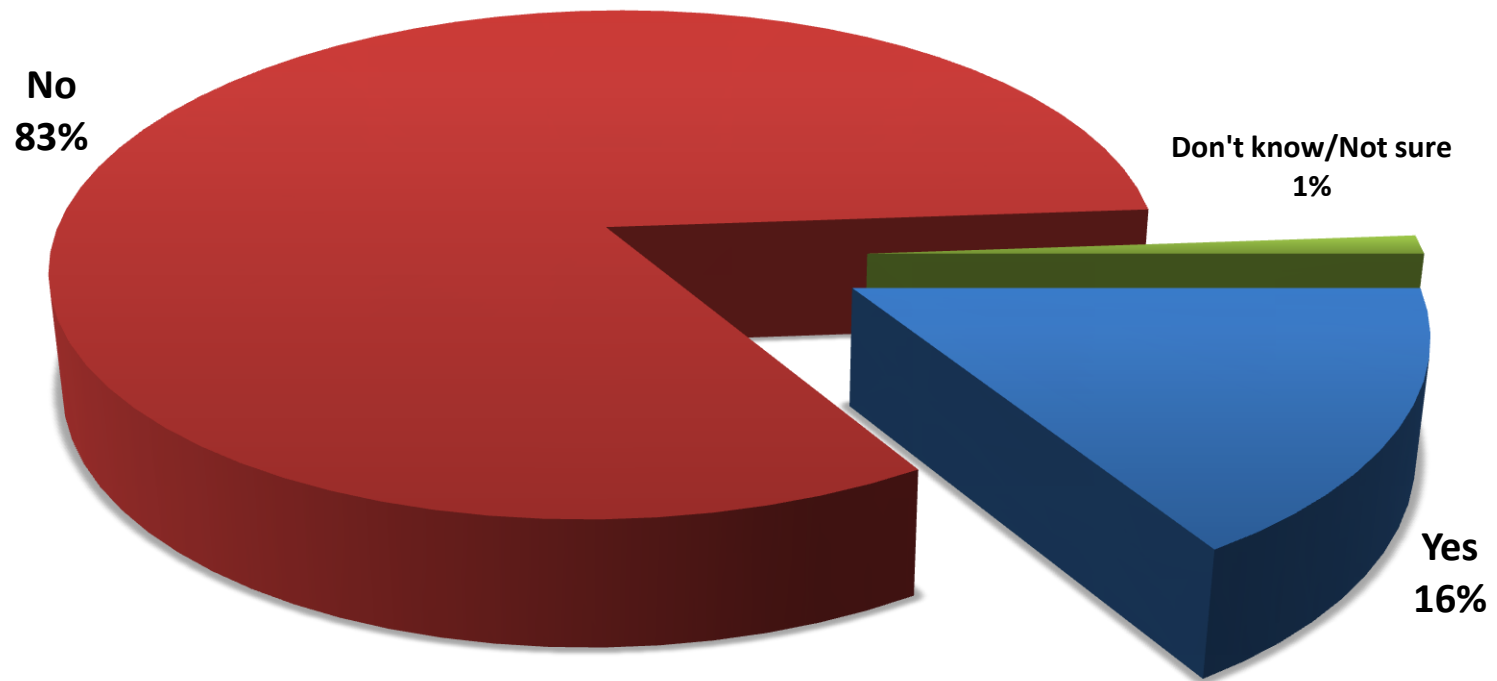
Have you/someone in your household lost a job in the last year?



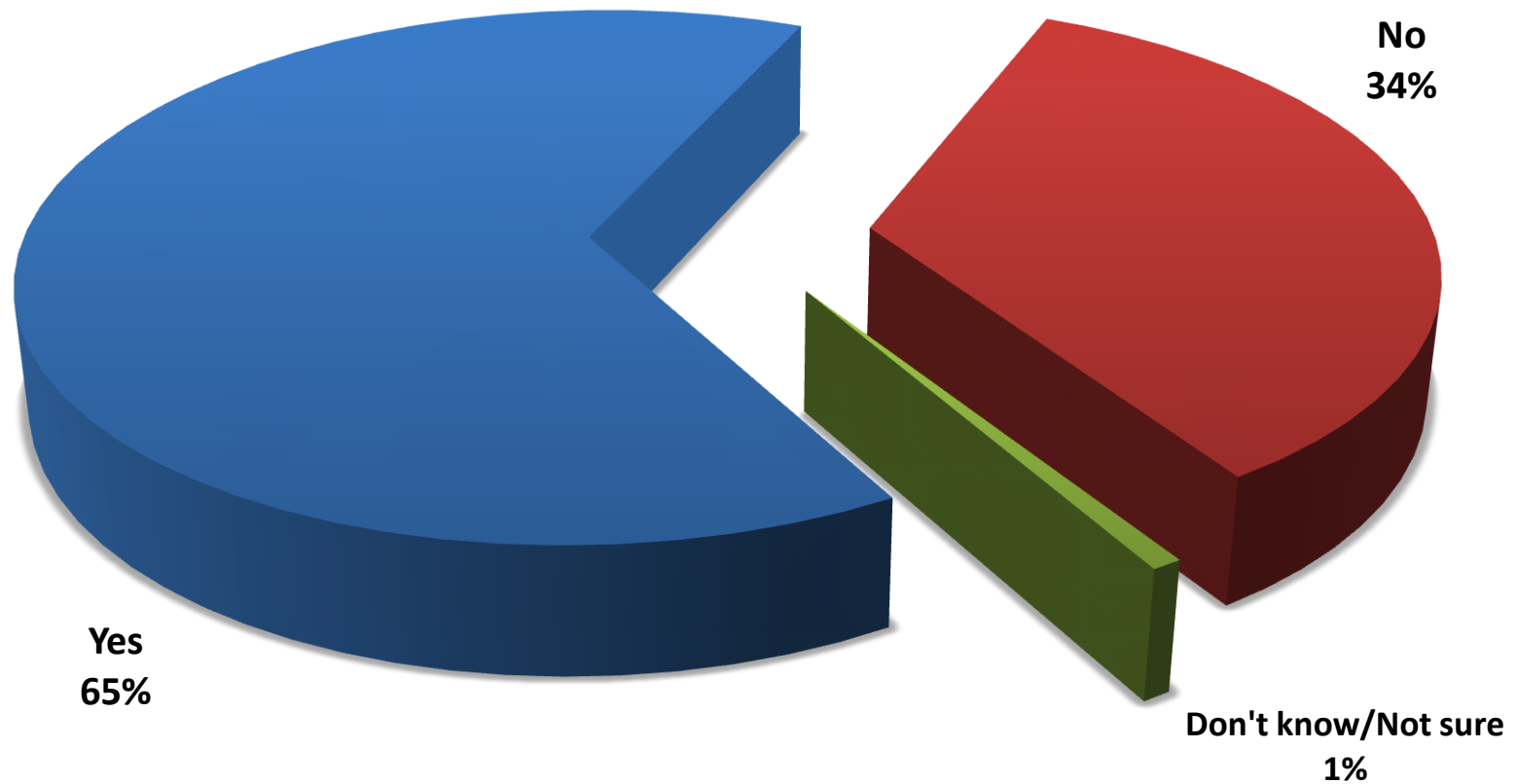
Did you change a health care plan or reduce benefits in the past year in order to lower your own spending?



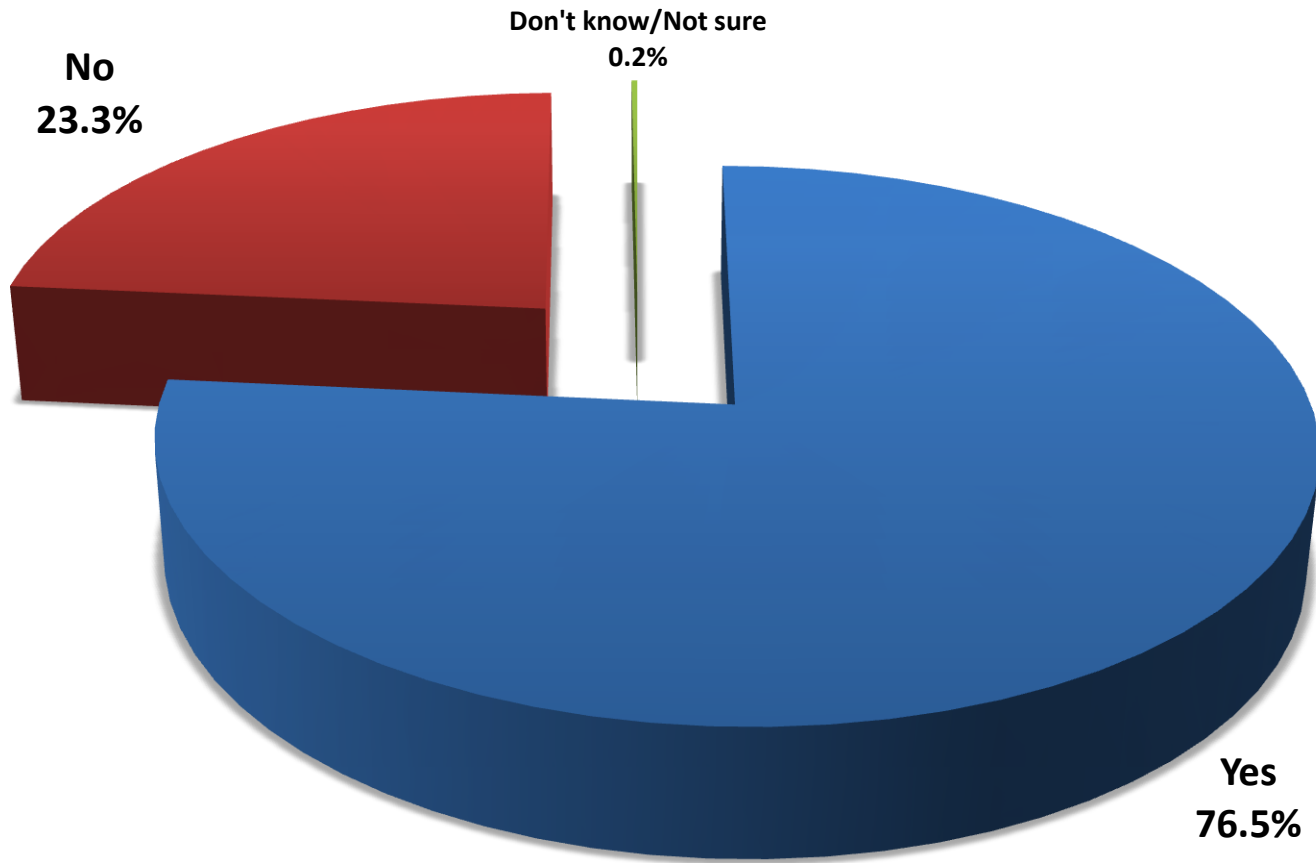
Have you/someone in your household deferred retirement due to the economy?



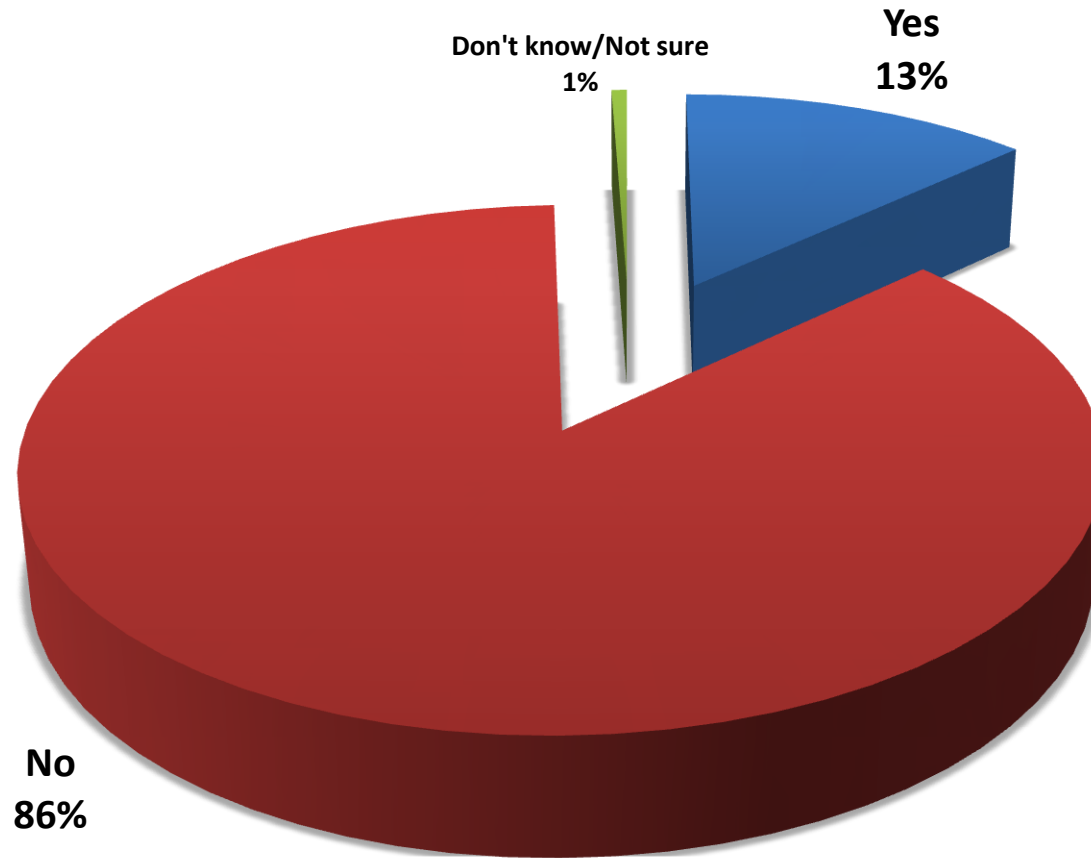
Have you/someone in your household delayed making a major purchase?



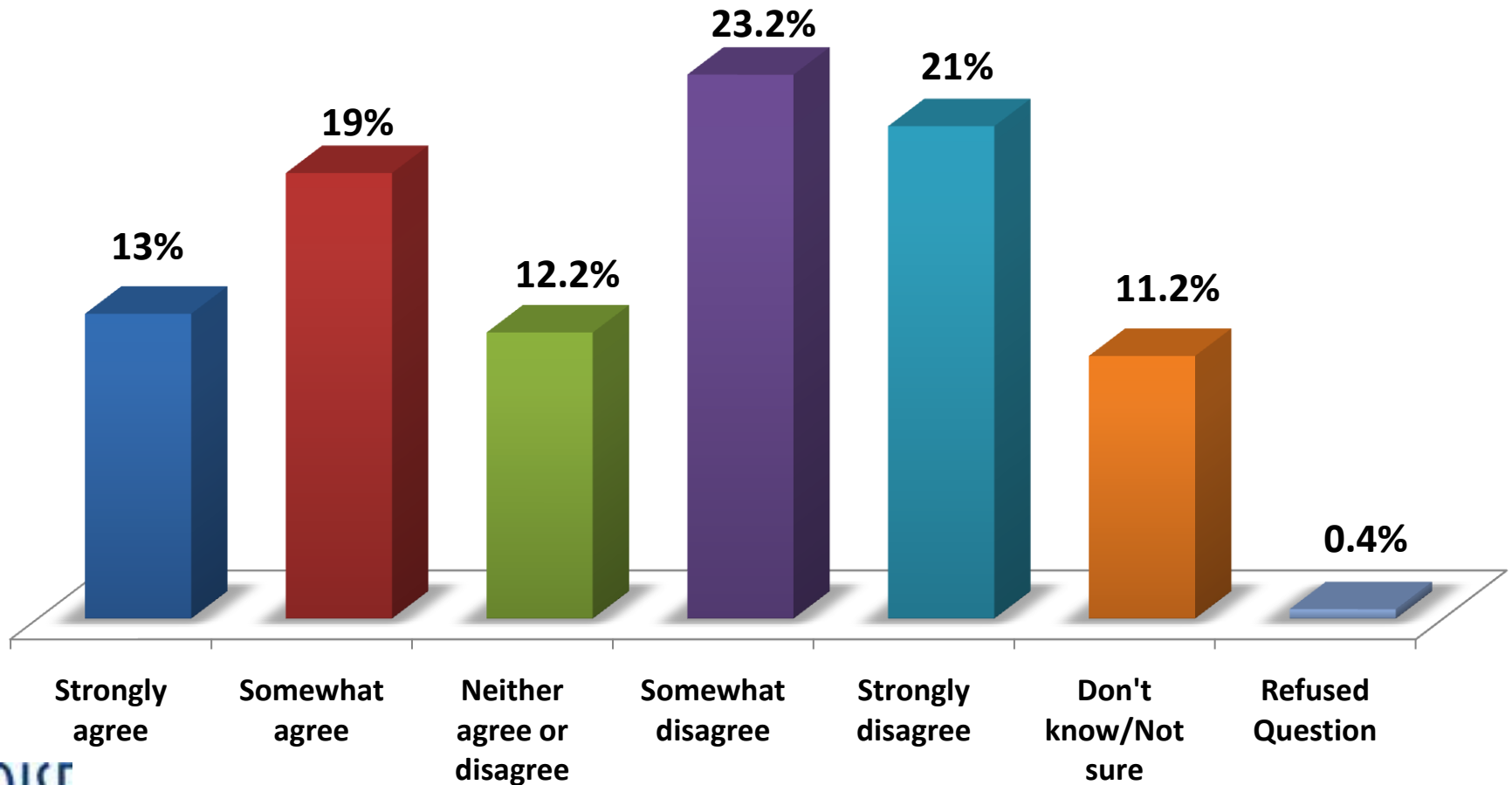
Is everyone in your household currently covered by health insurance?



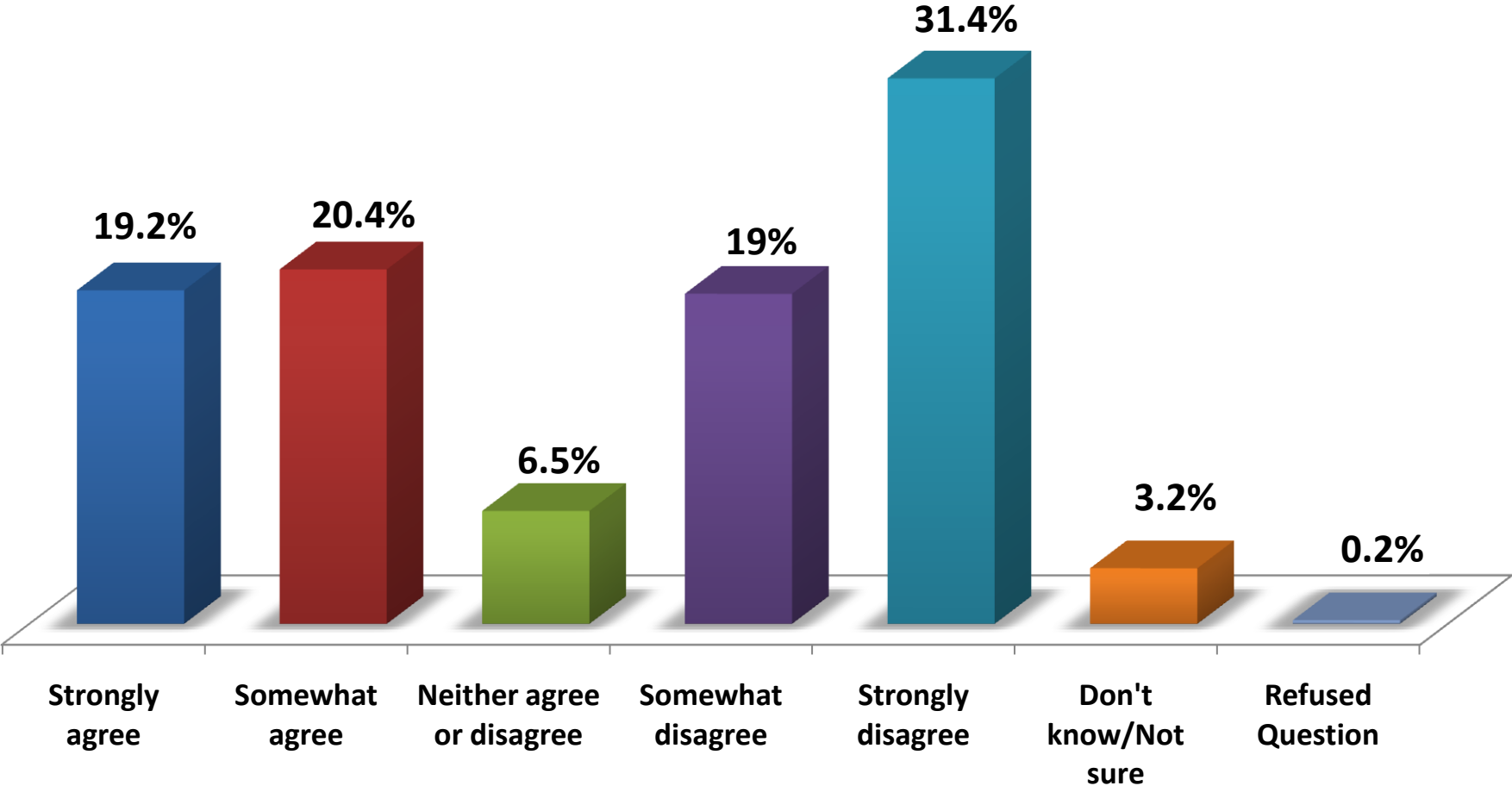
Did anyone in your household lose their health insurance this last year?



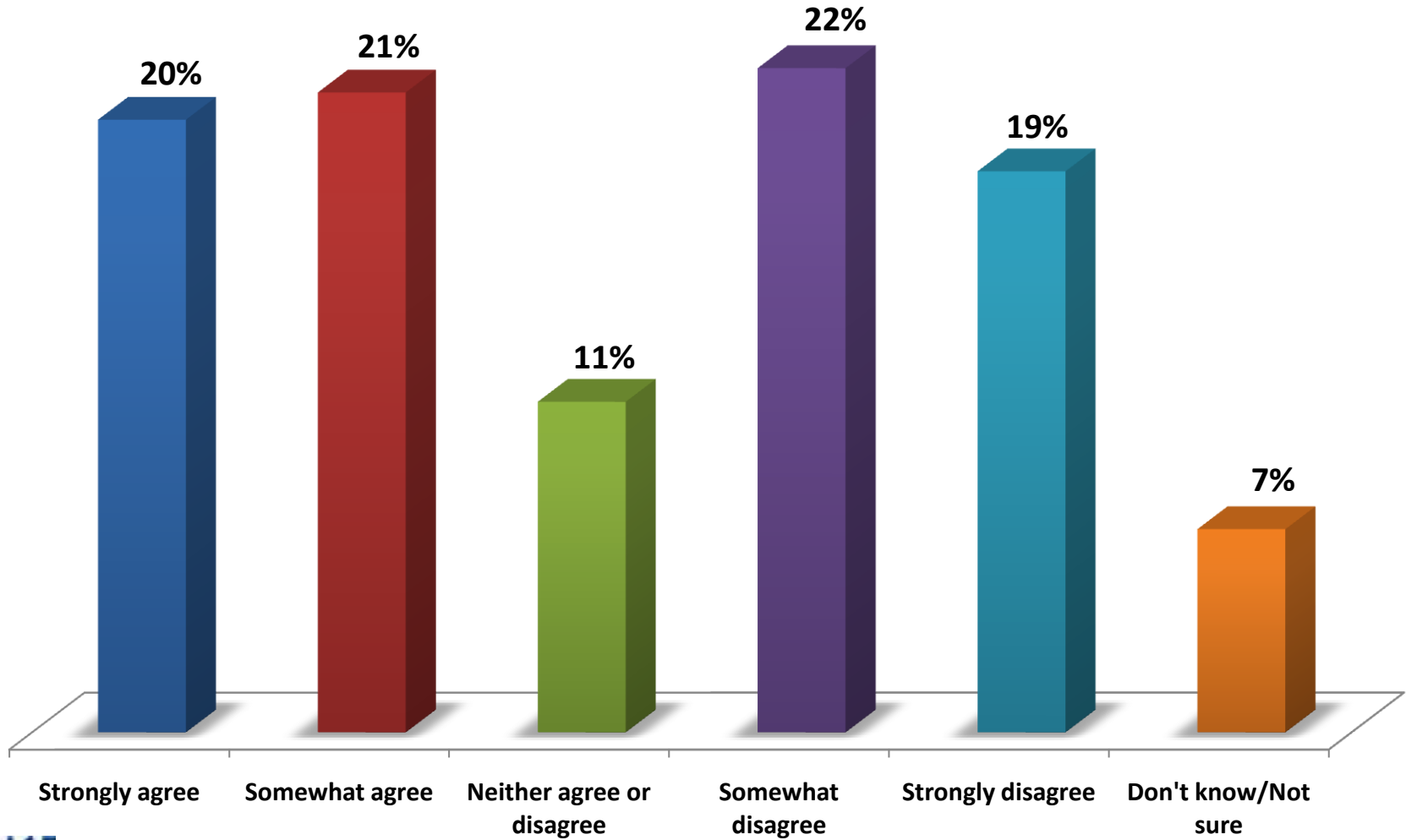
Sales and use tax exemptions should be entirely eliminated in Idaho



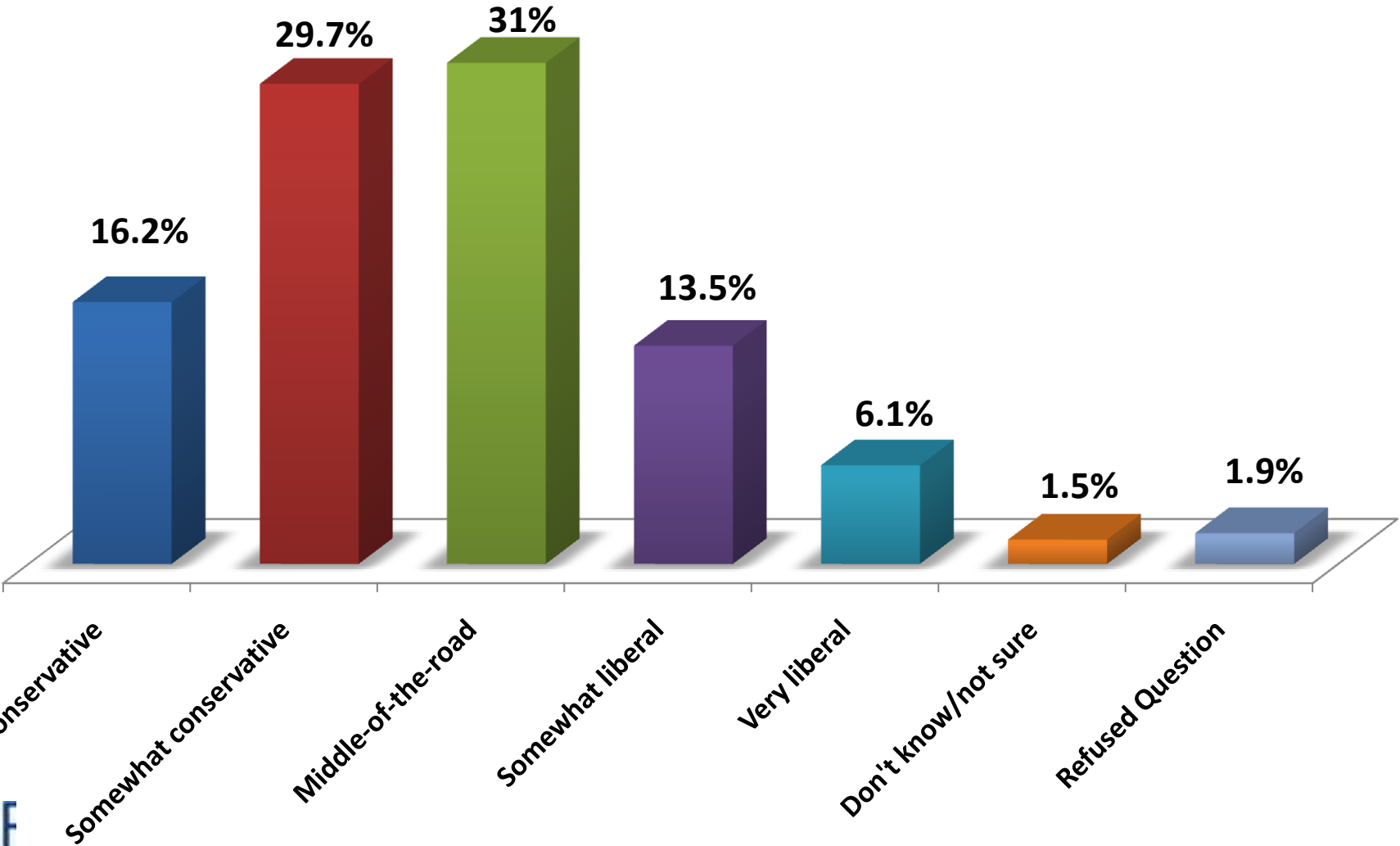
The State should collect sales tax on goods purchased via the internet



The sales tax exemption should be eliminated from services

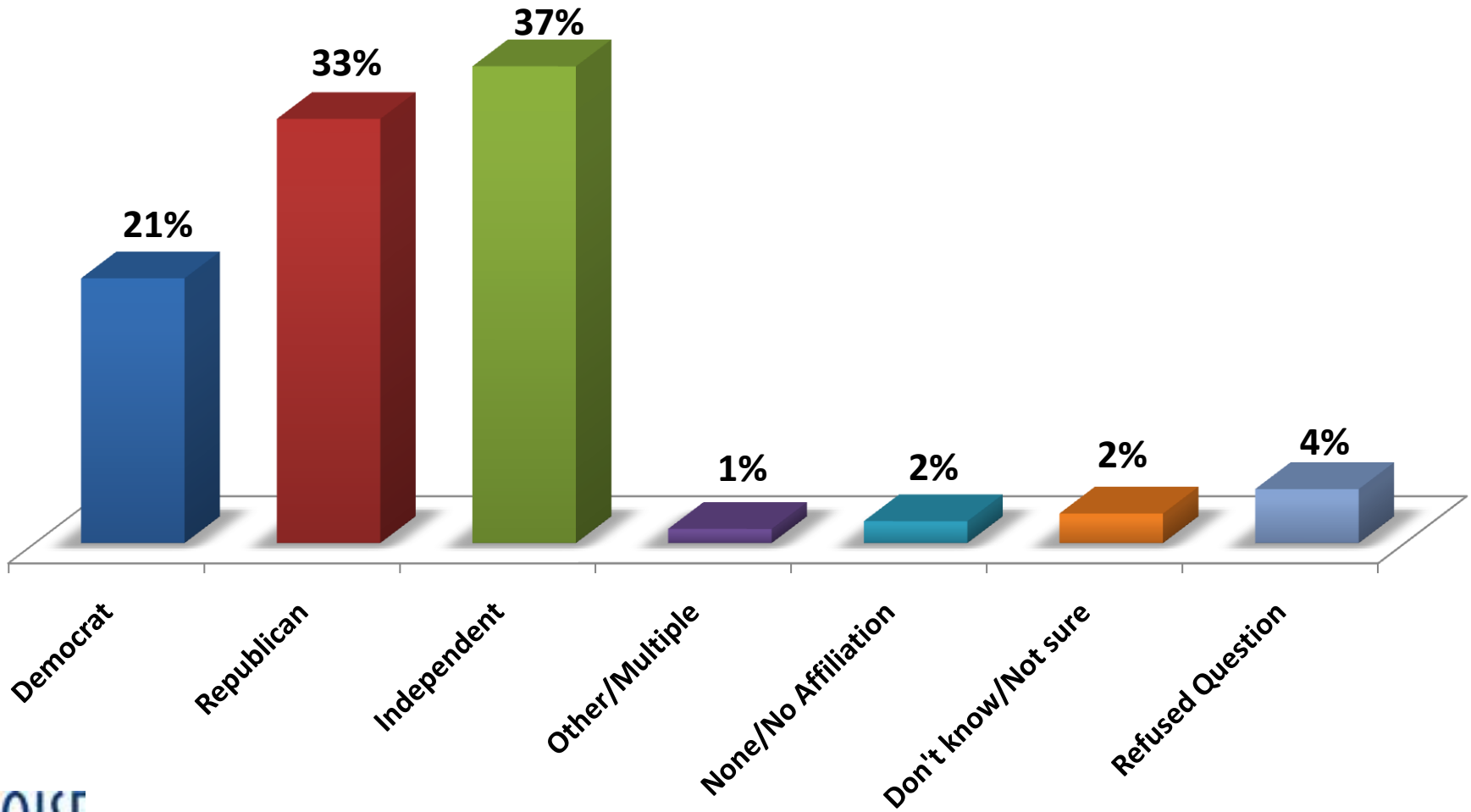


Political Orientation

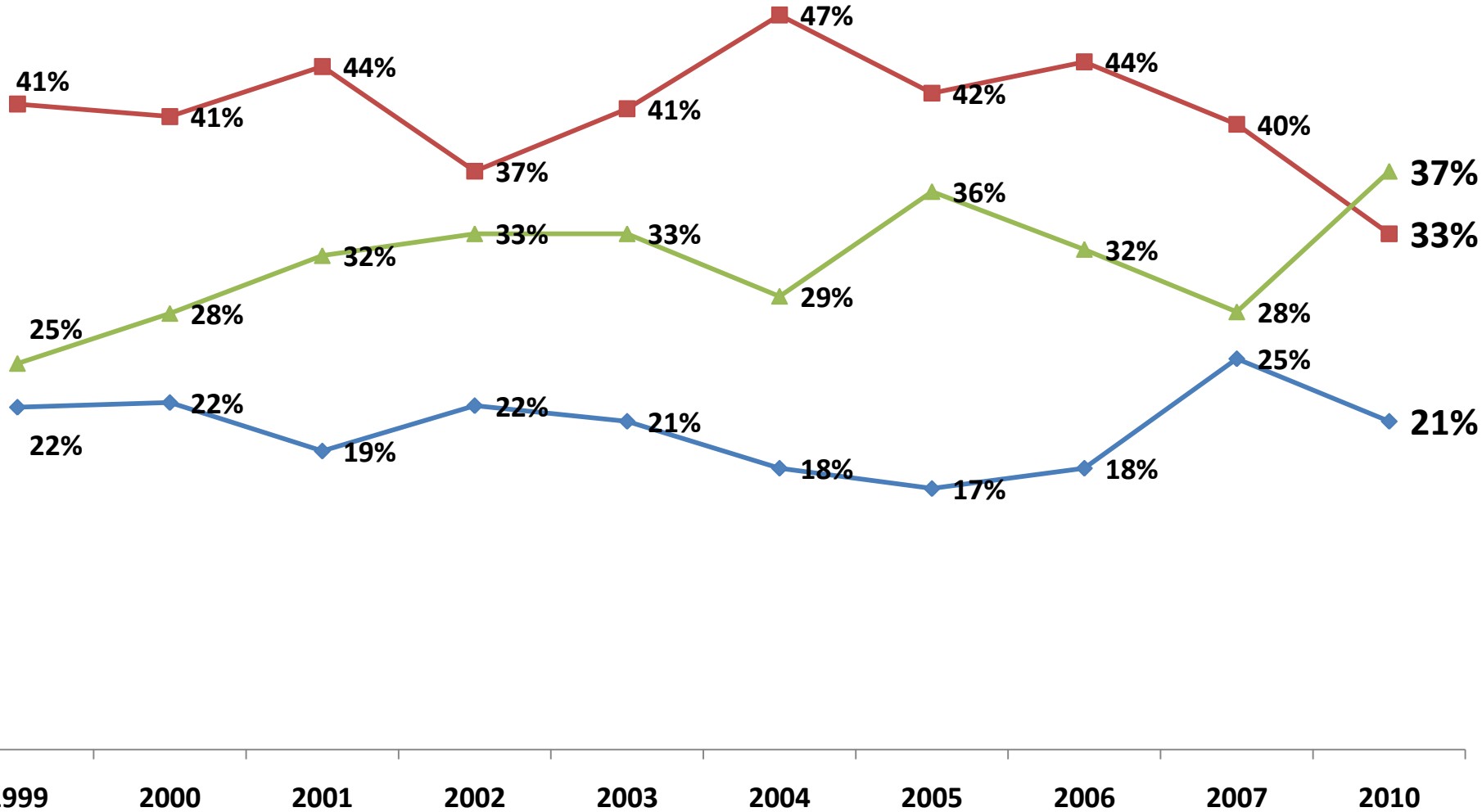


**Percentages do not add to 100% due to rounding*

Political Affiliation



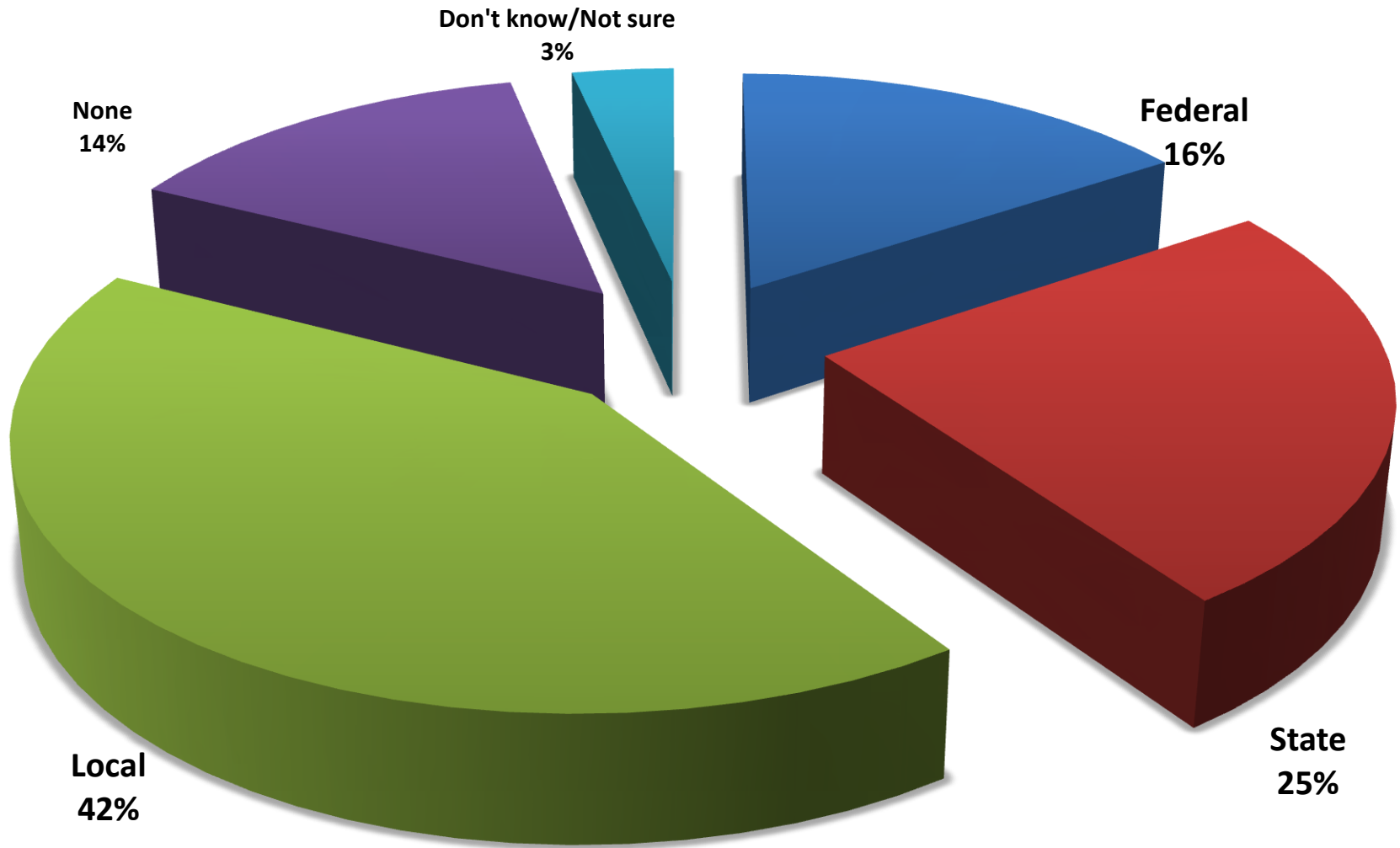
Political Affiliation- 10 Year trend



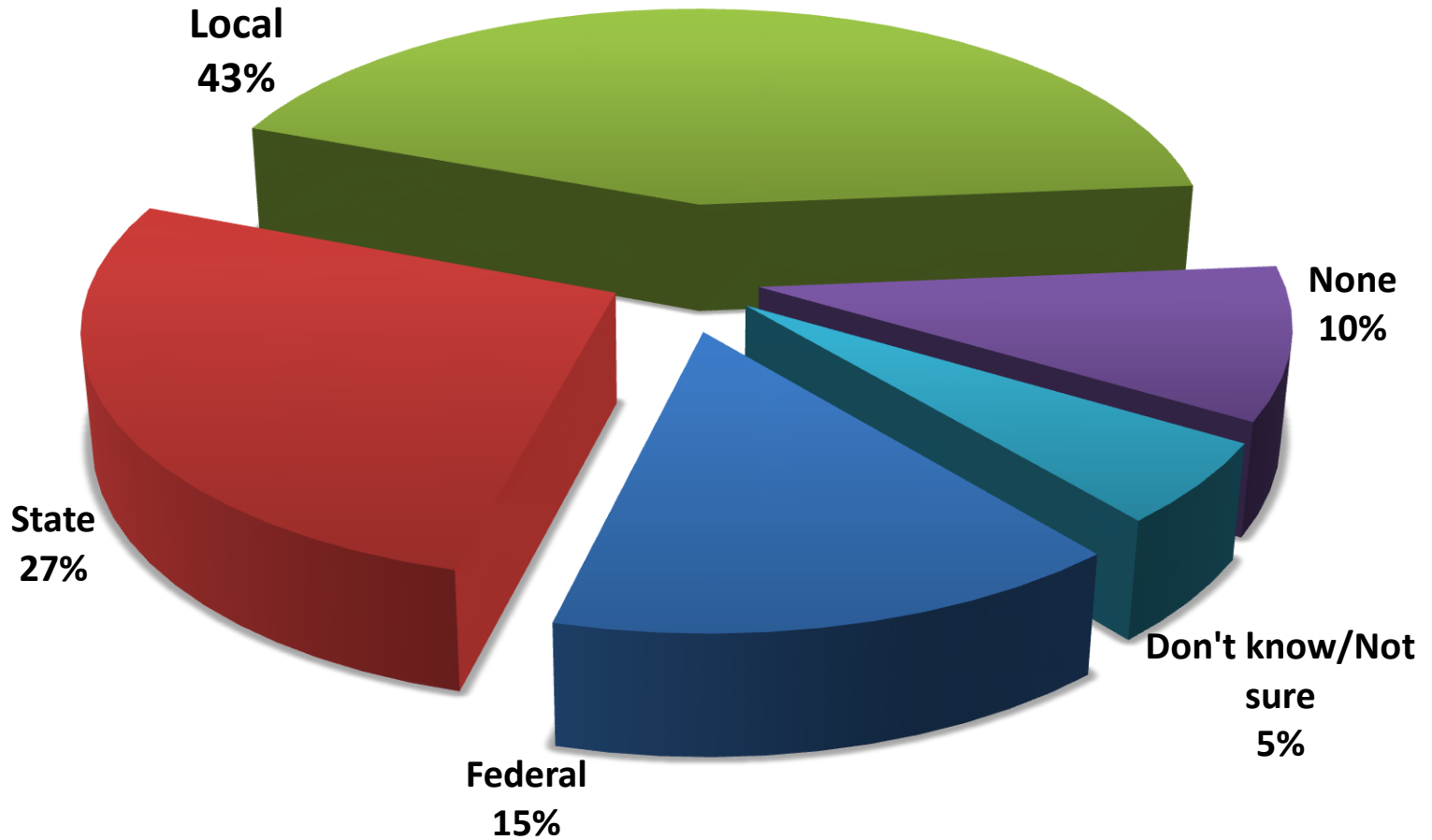
◆ Democrat ■ Republican ▲ Independent



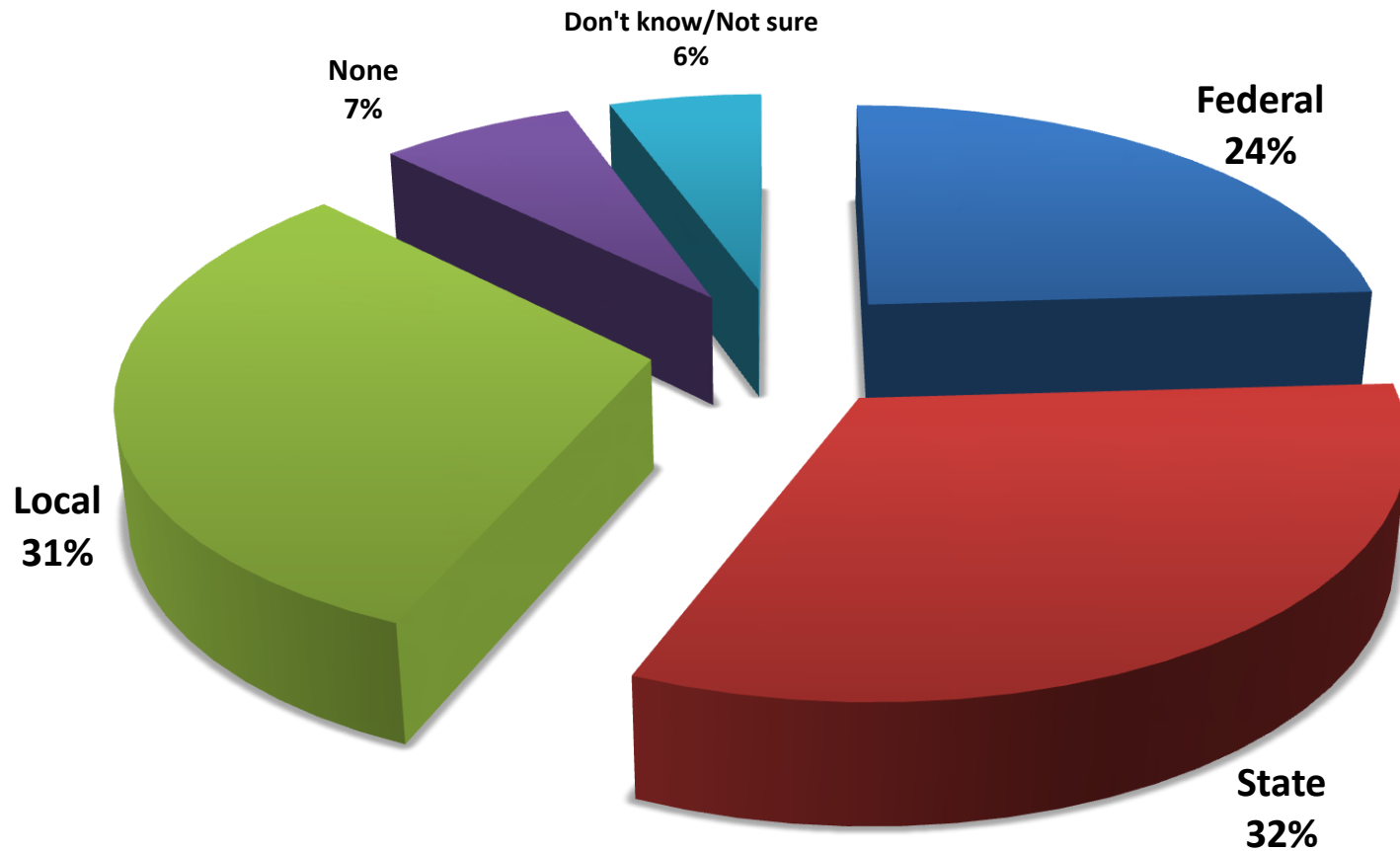
Which level of government do you most trust?



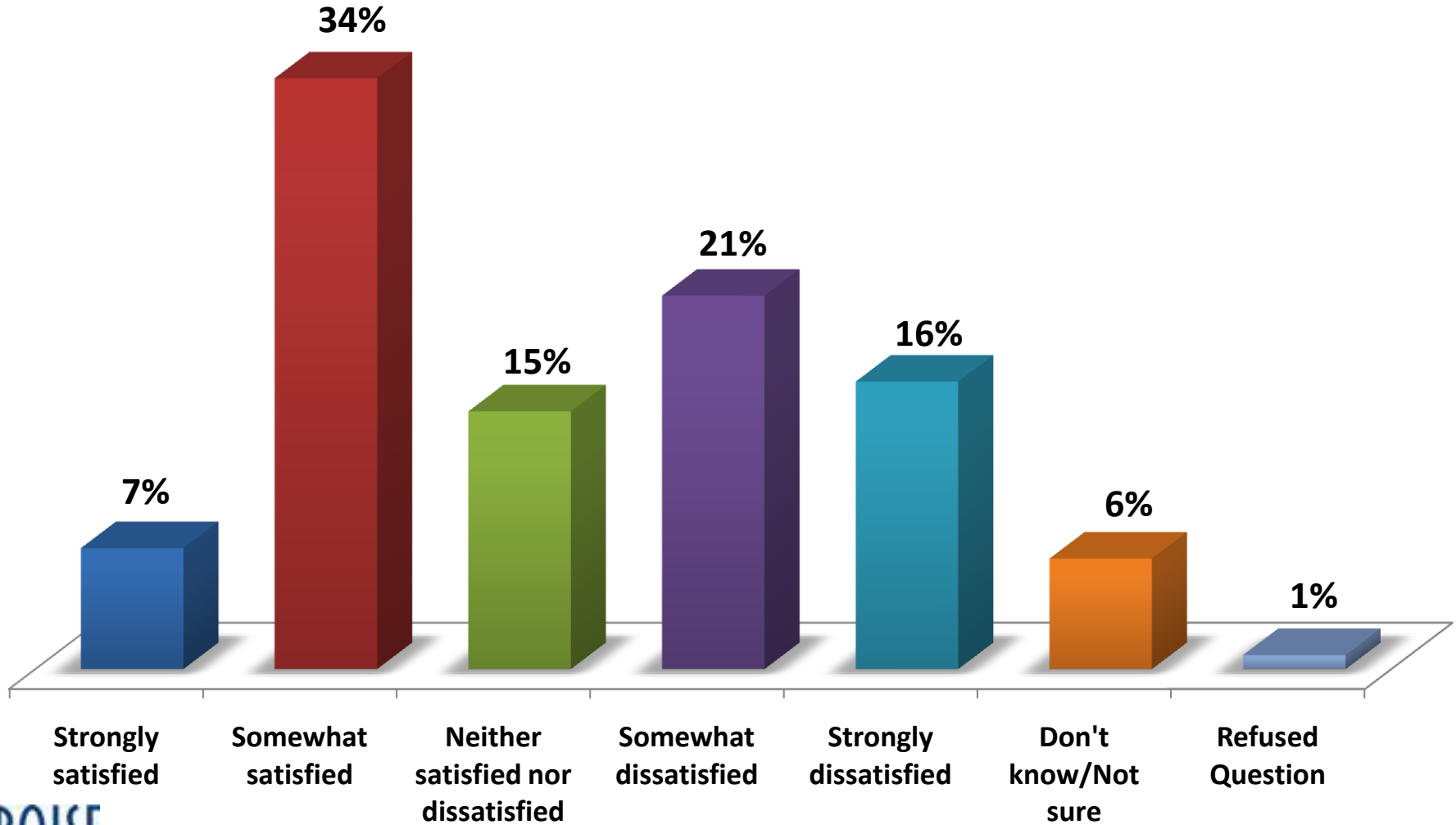
Which level of government best responds to your needs?



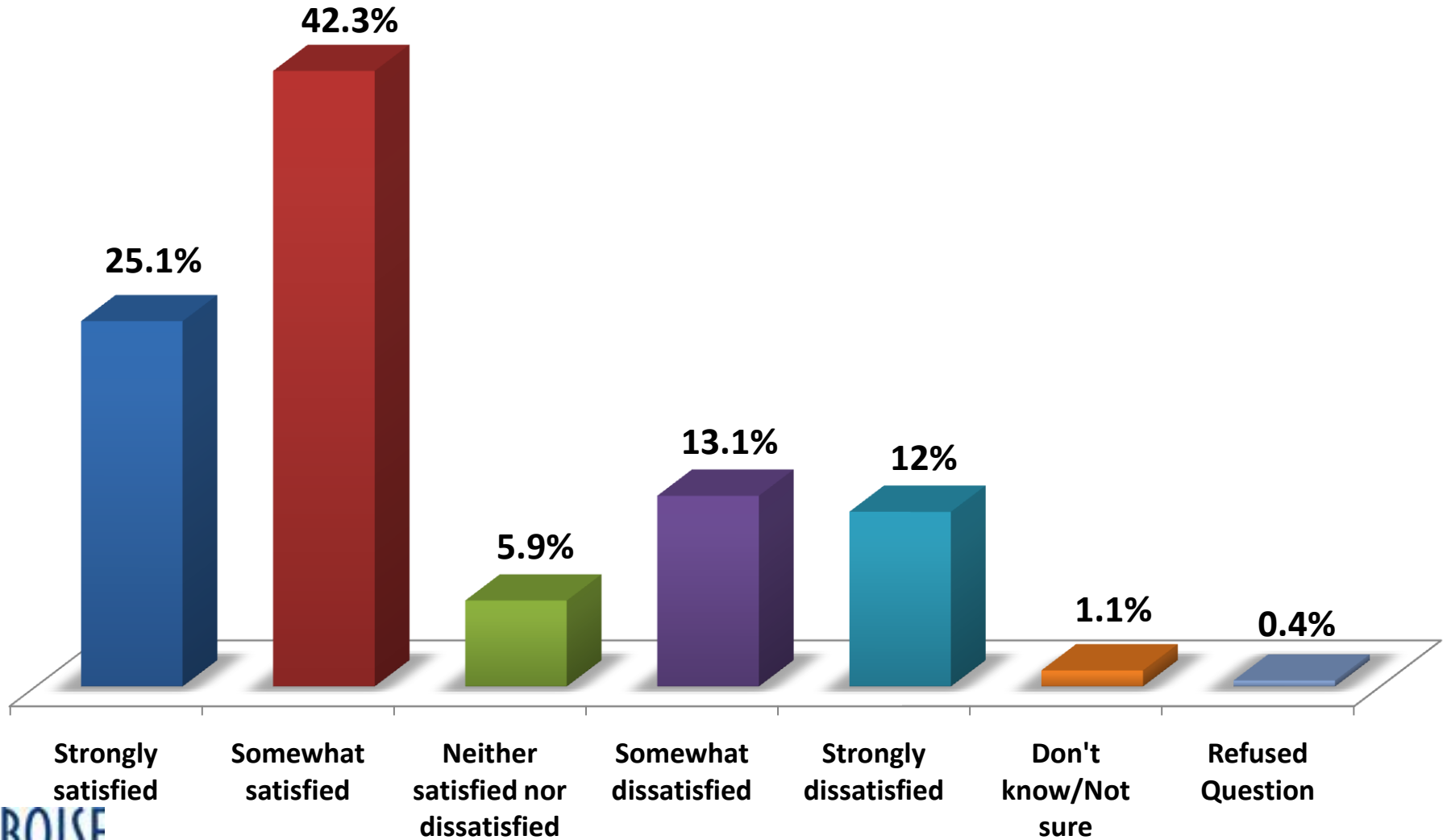
From which level of government do you think you get the most from your tax money?



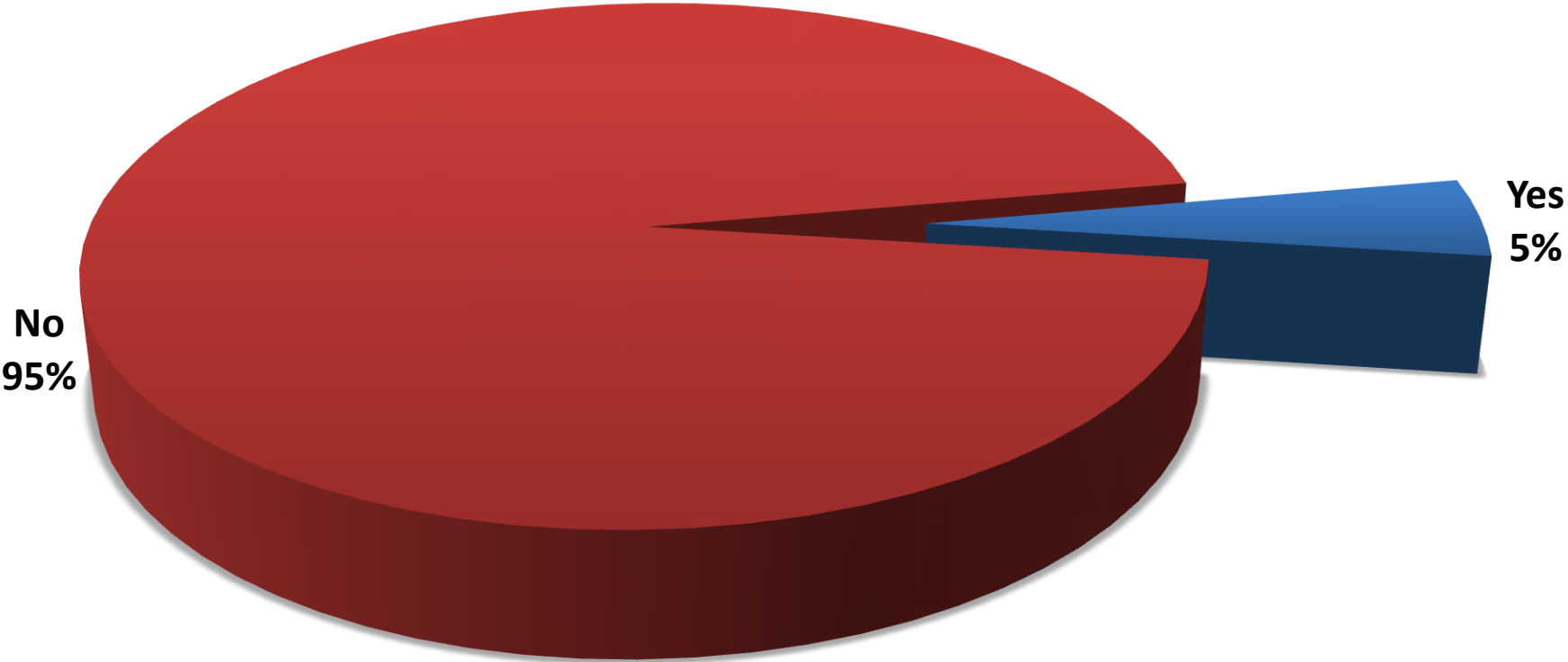
Land use planning in your area



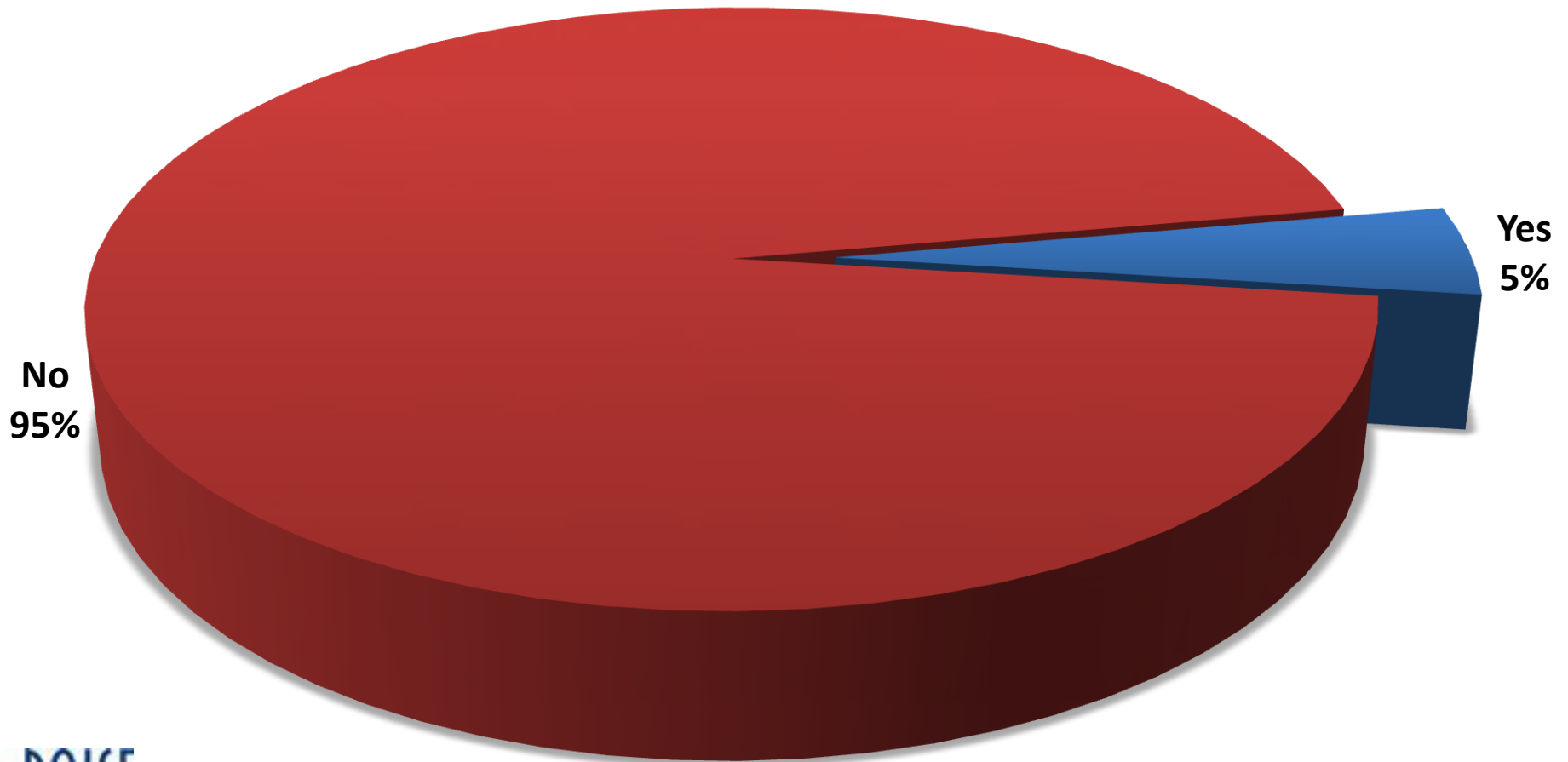
Level of environmental protection in your area



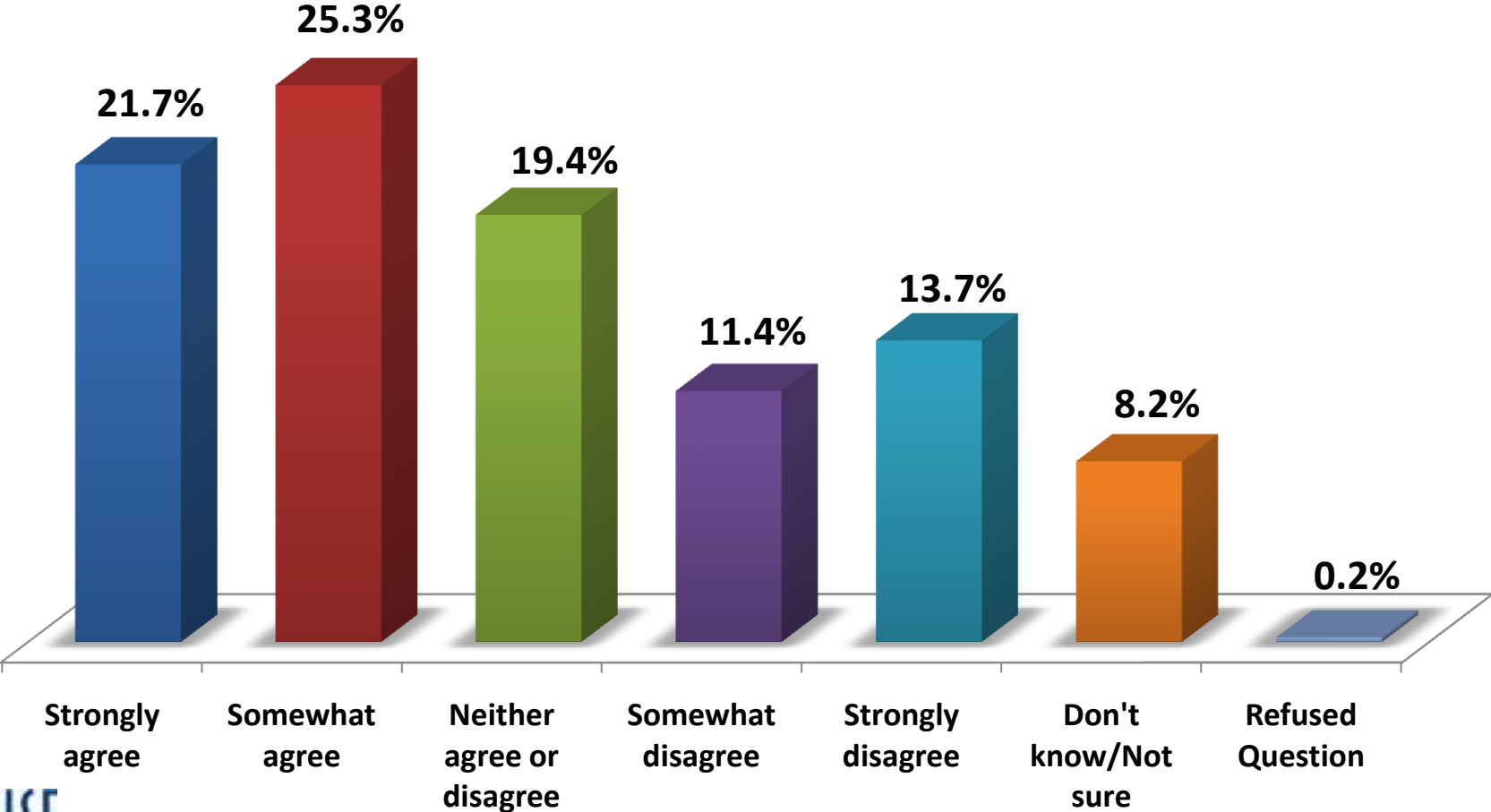
Have you or someone in your household filed for bankruptcy in the last year?



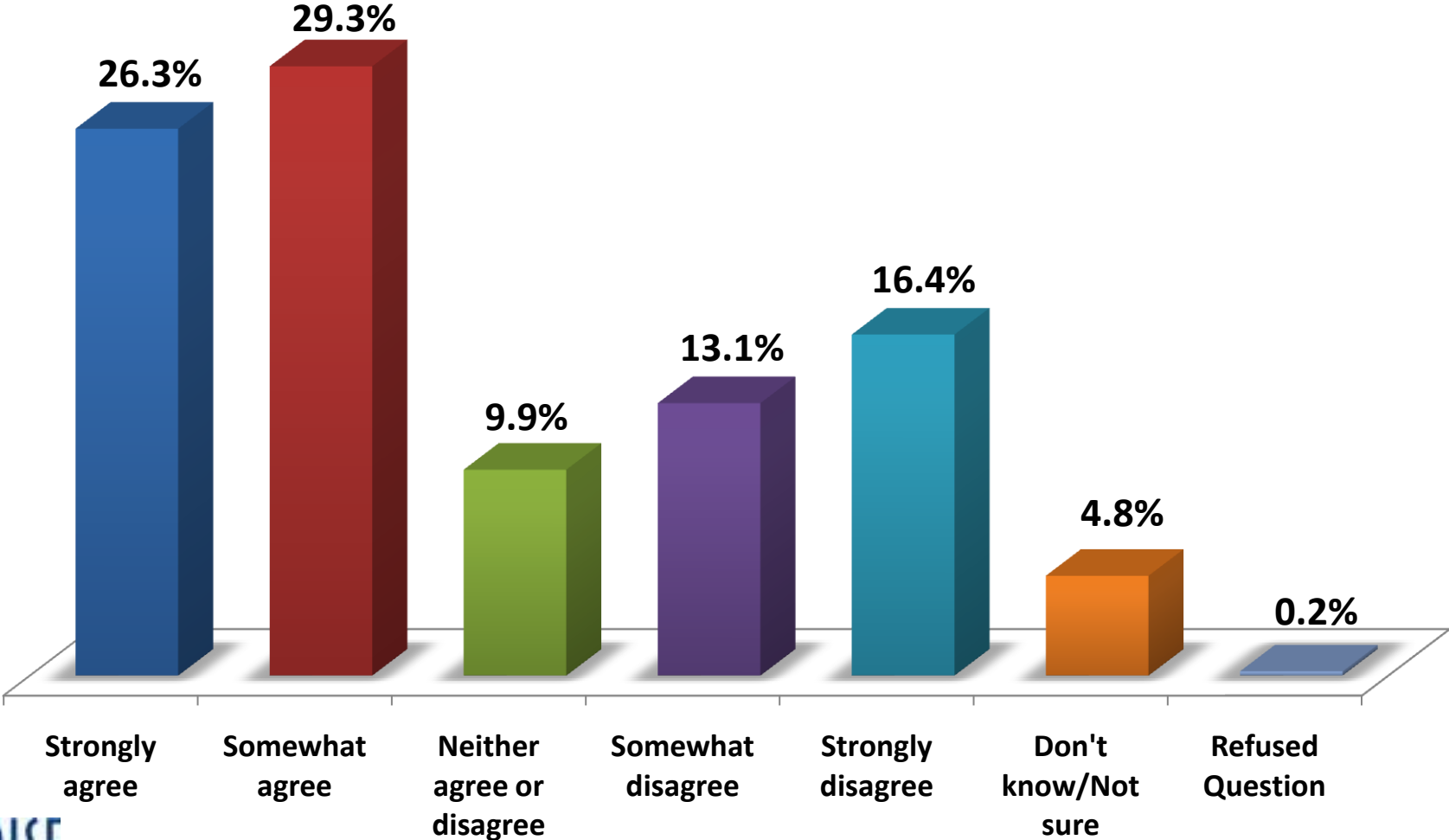
Have you or someone in your household experienced foreclosure in the last year?



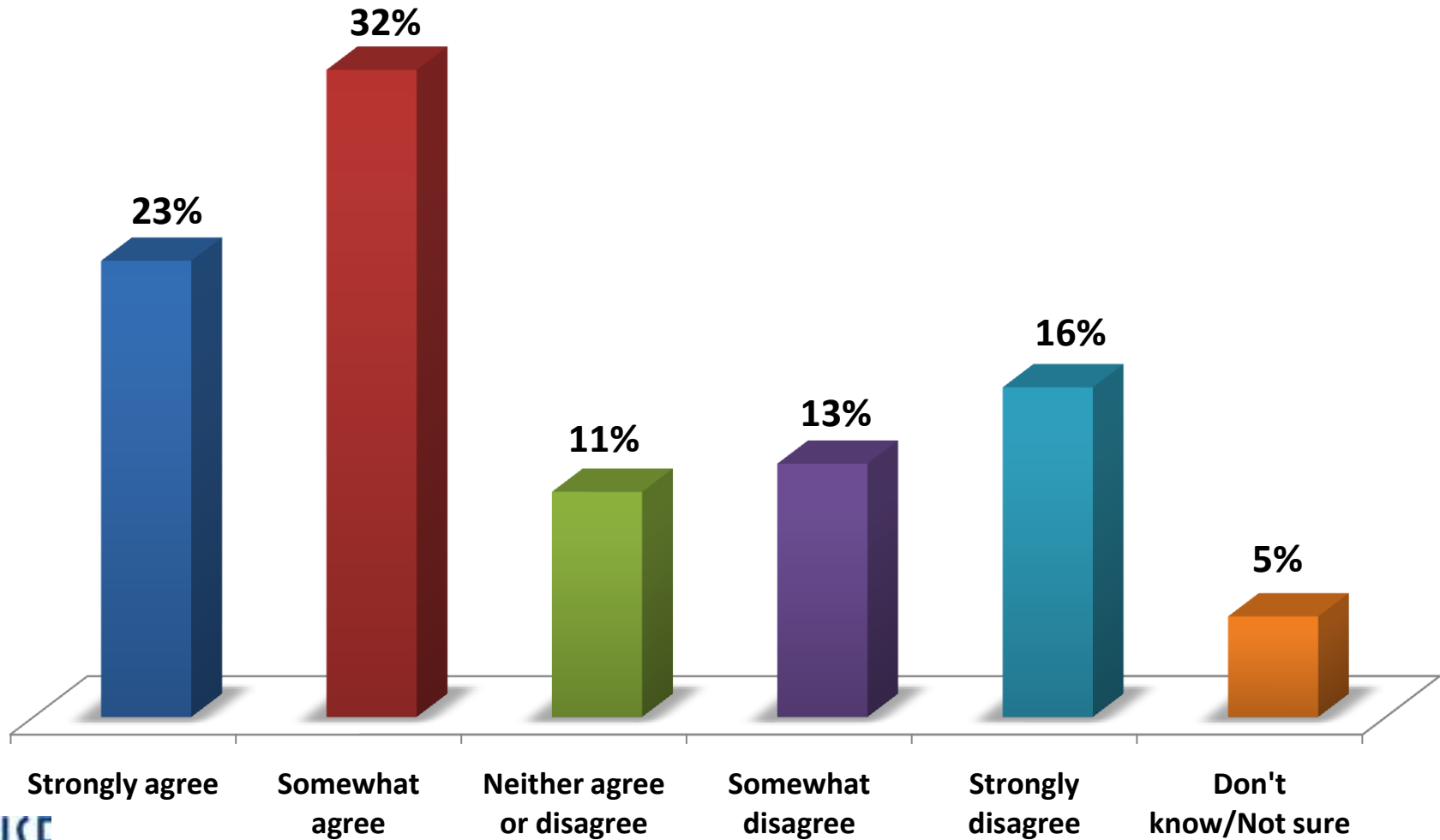
County commissioners should make location siting decisions for CAFOs



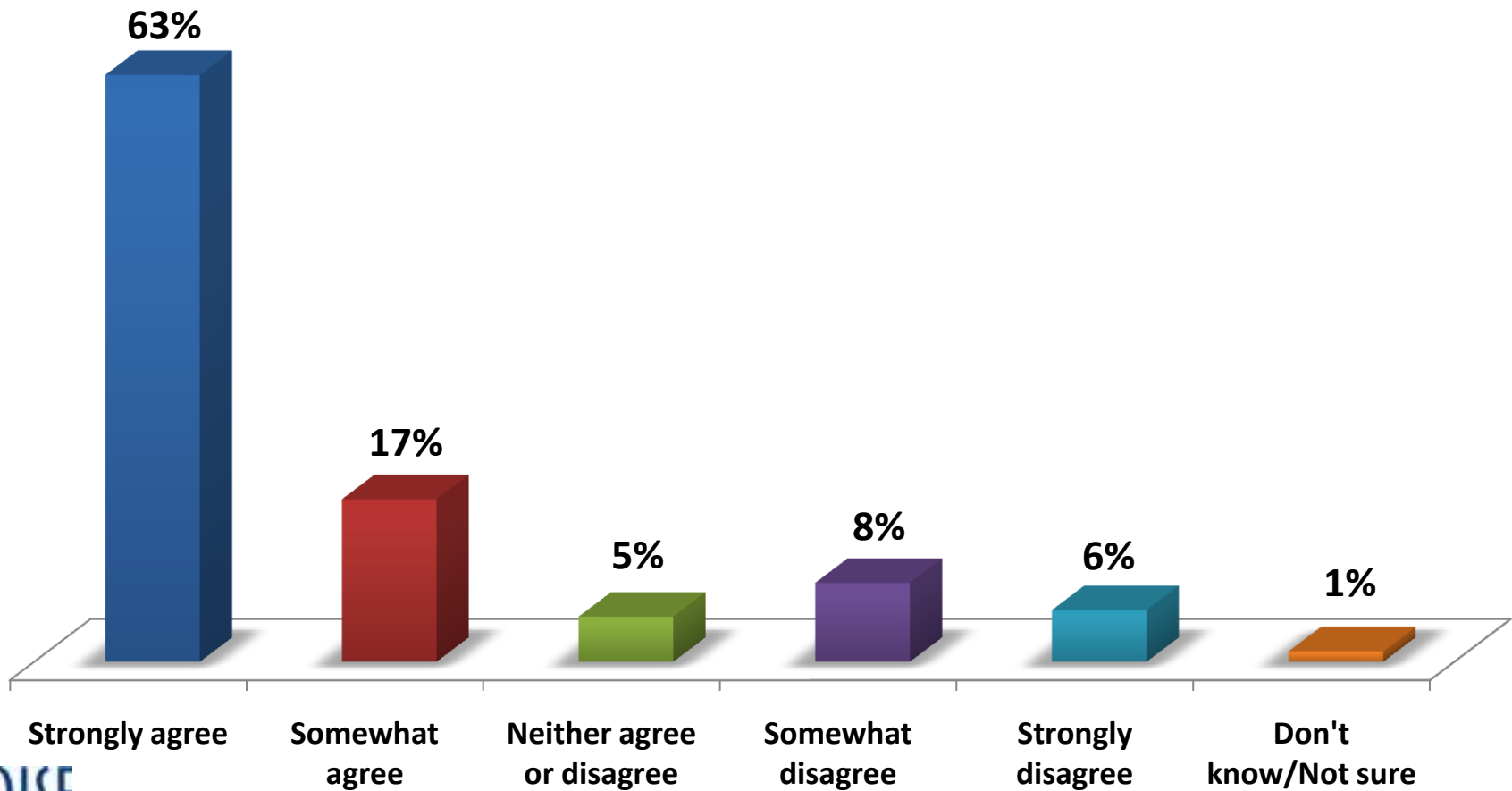
County commissioners should make location siting decisions for power generation plants



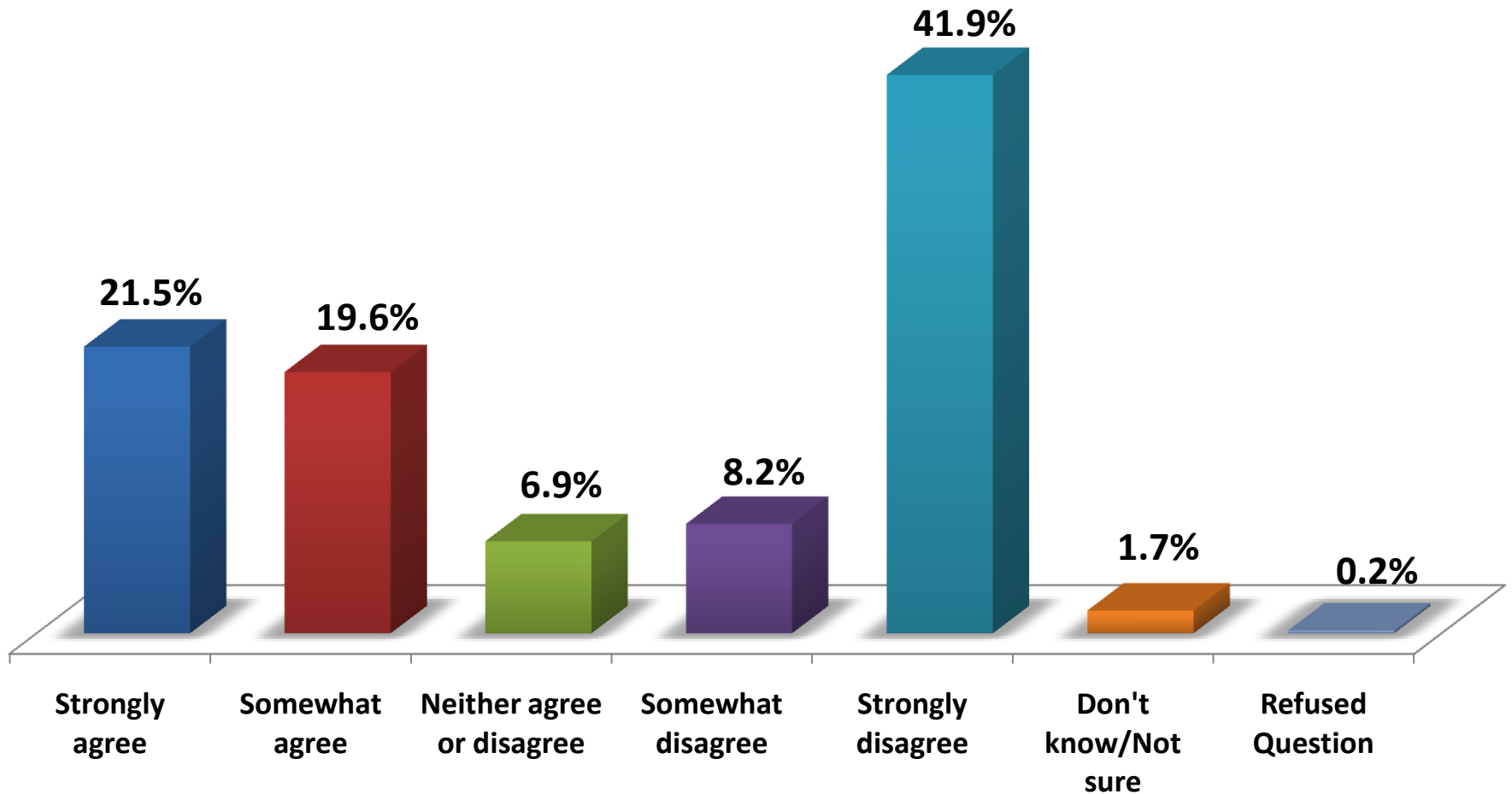
County commissioners should make location siting decisions for electricity transmission lines/underground fuel pipelines



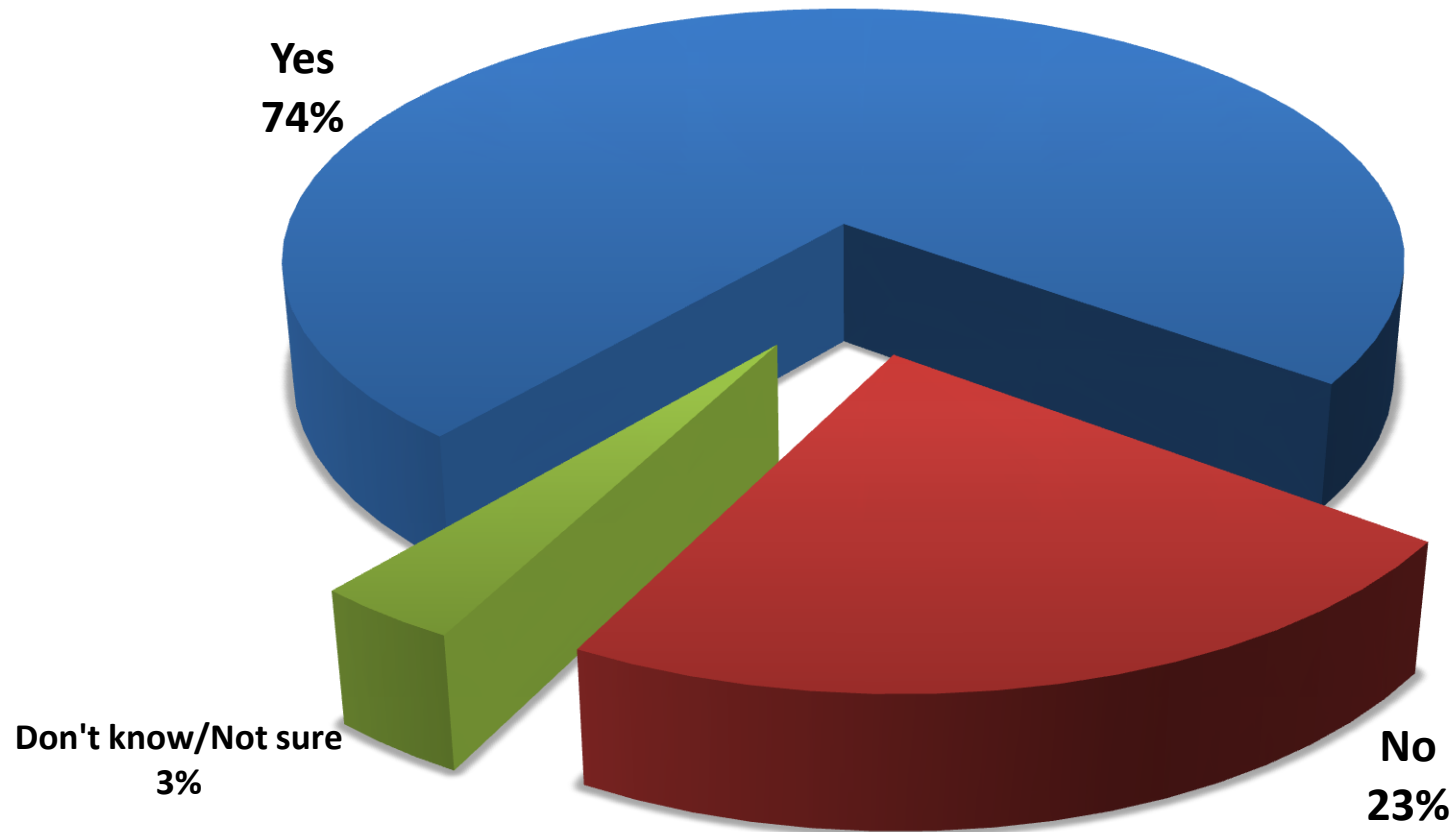
Businesses who knowingly hire undocumented workers should be penalized



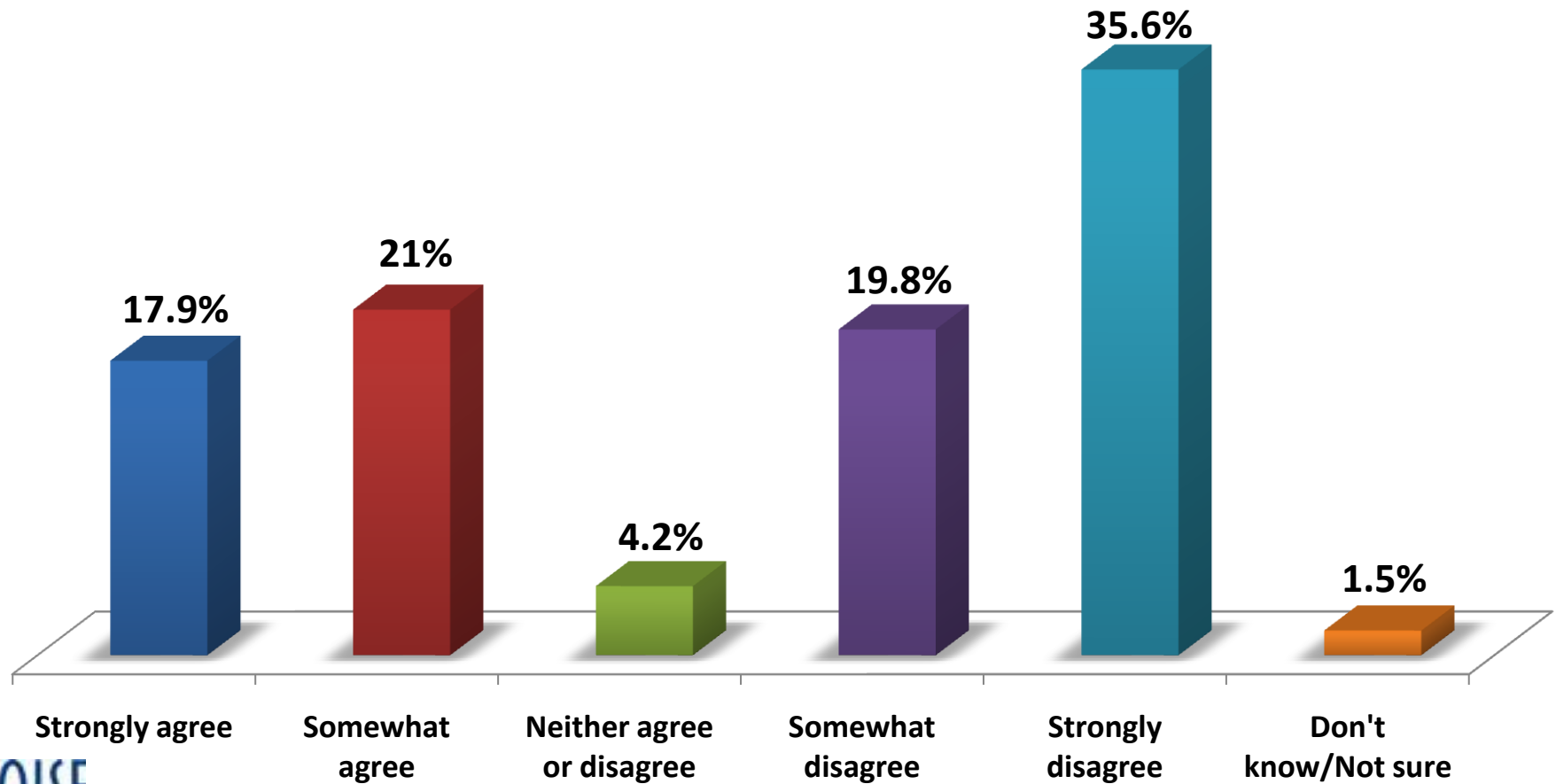
Idaho should allow the sale and manufacture of marijuana for medical purposes



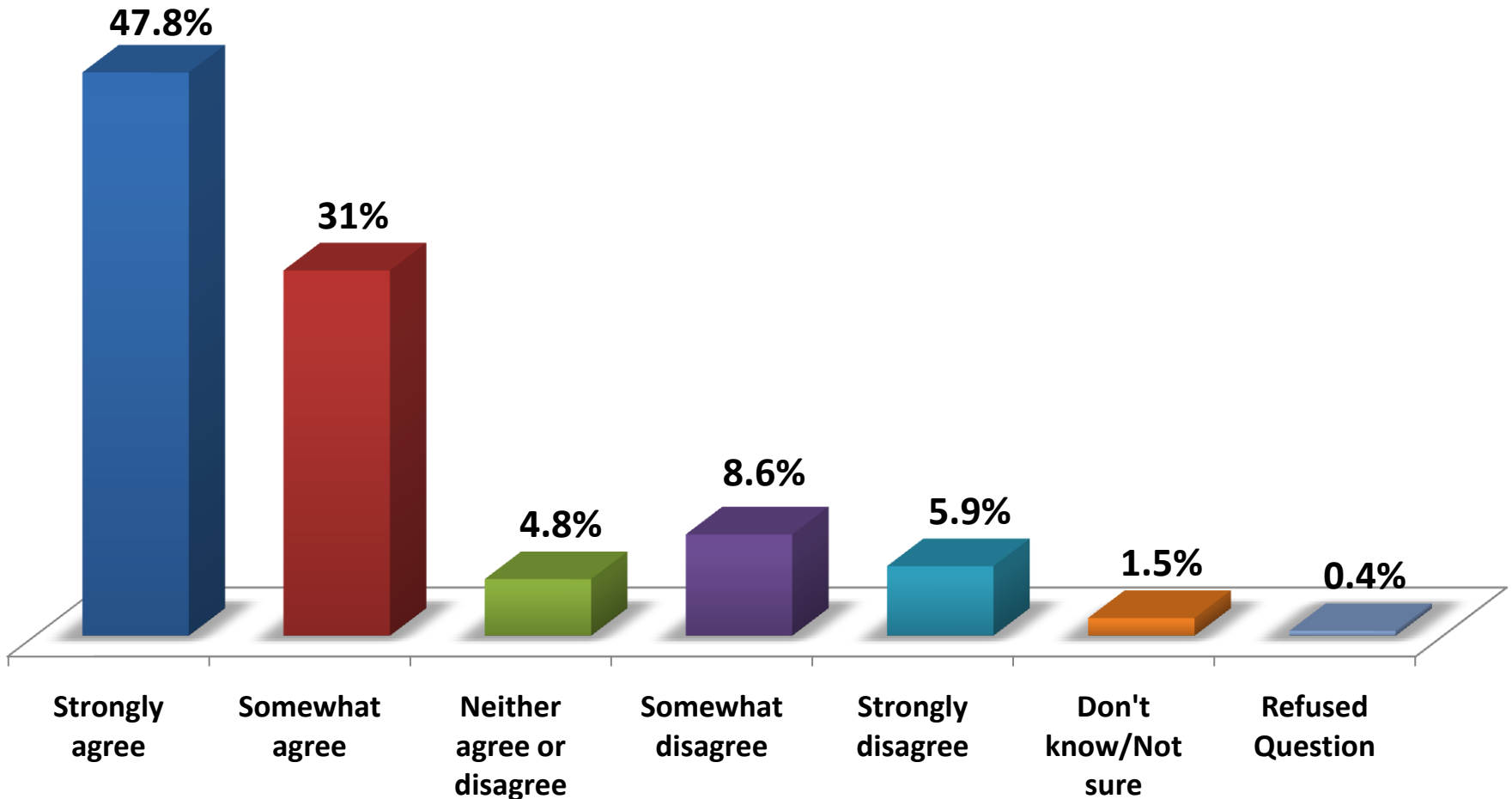
Do you support changing Idaho law to allow terminally and seriously ill patients to use and purchase marijuana for medical purposes?



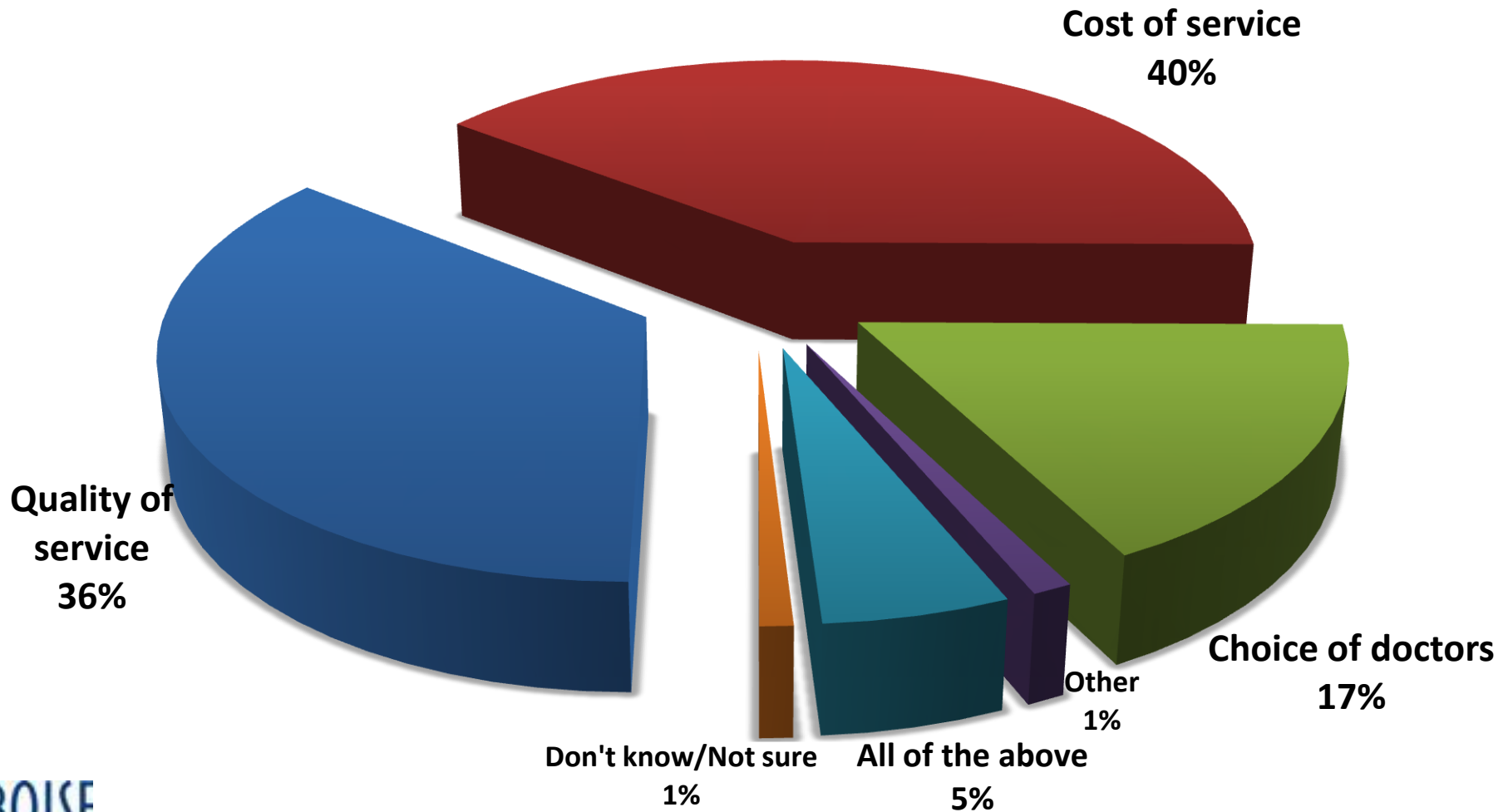
Idaho should raise the sales tax to support the higher education budget



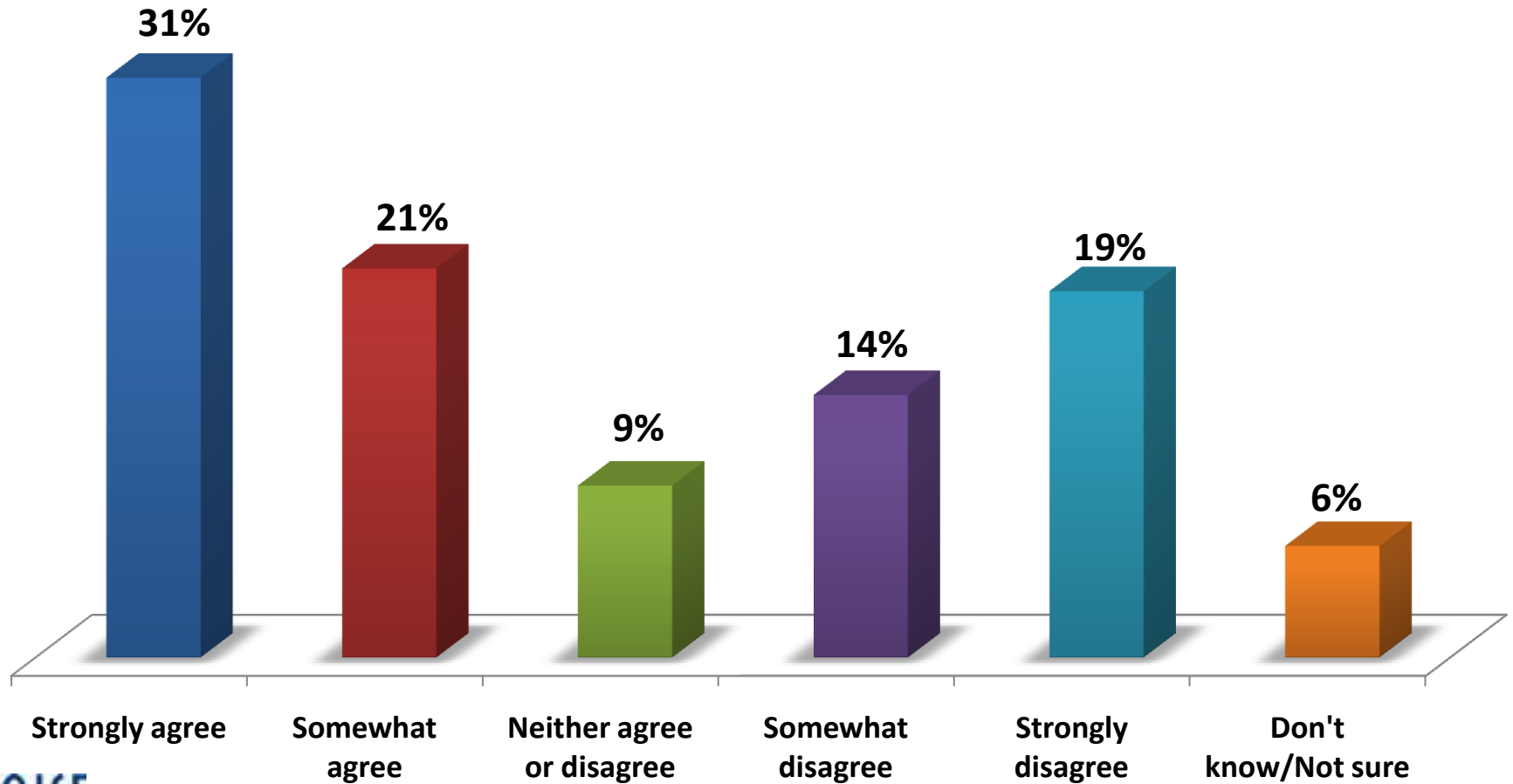
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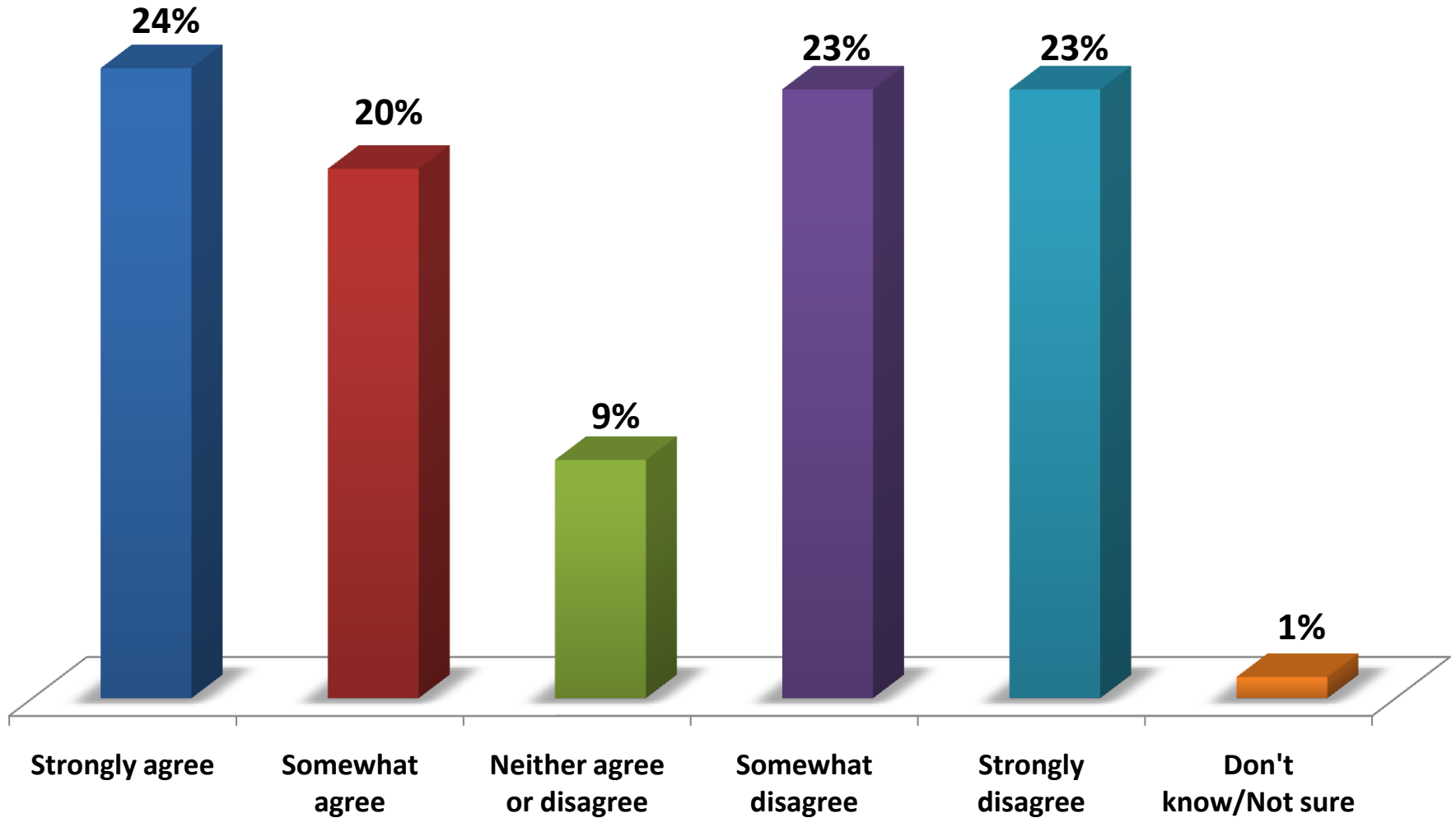
When it comes to health care coverage in the future, which are you most concerned about?



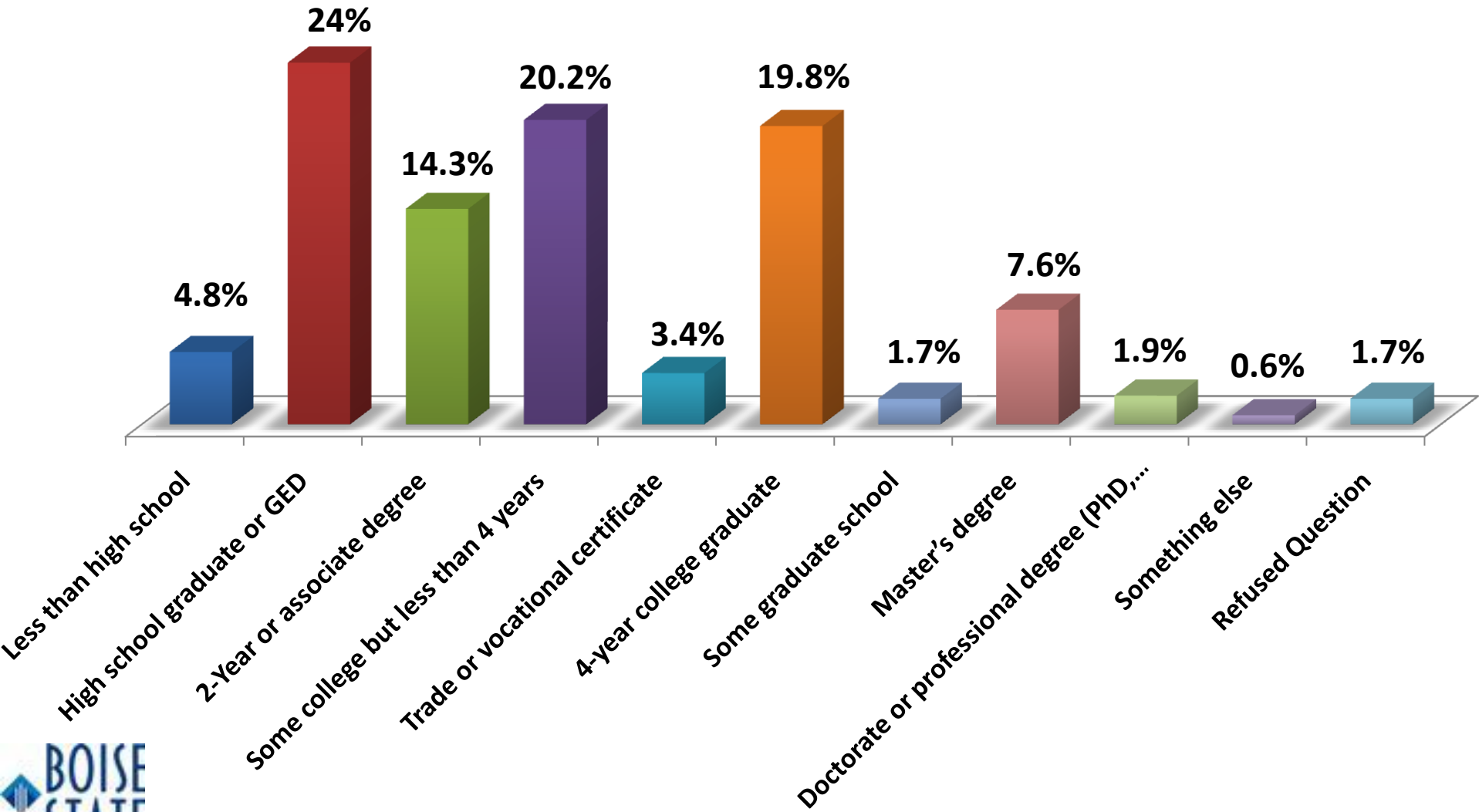
Undocumented immigrants have negatively affected the overall quality of children's education



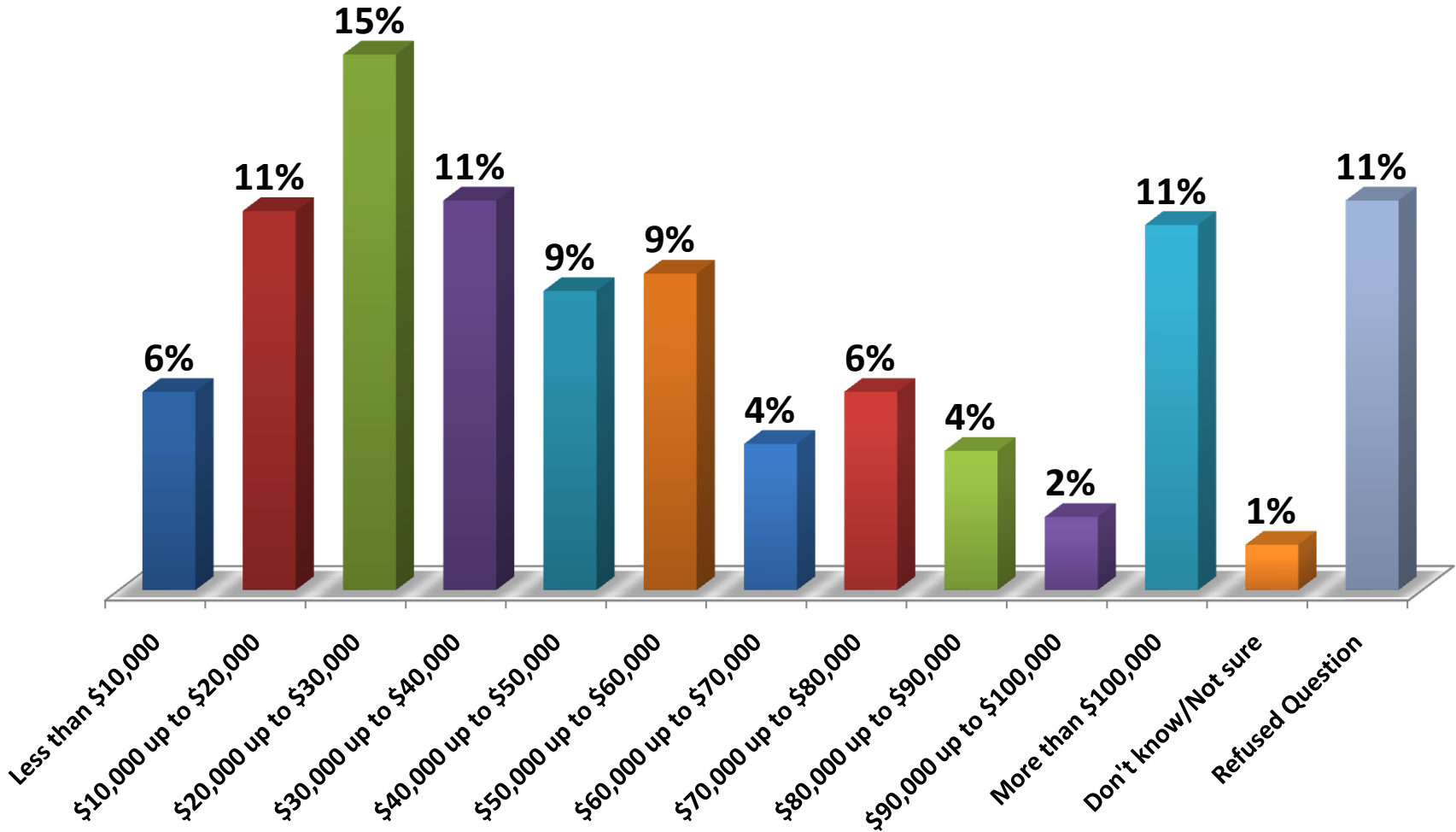
Idaho should fund pre-K education



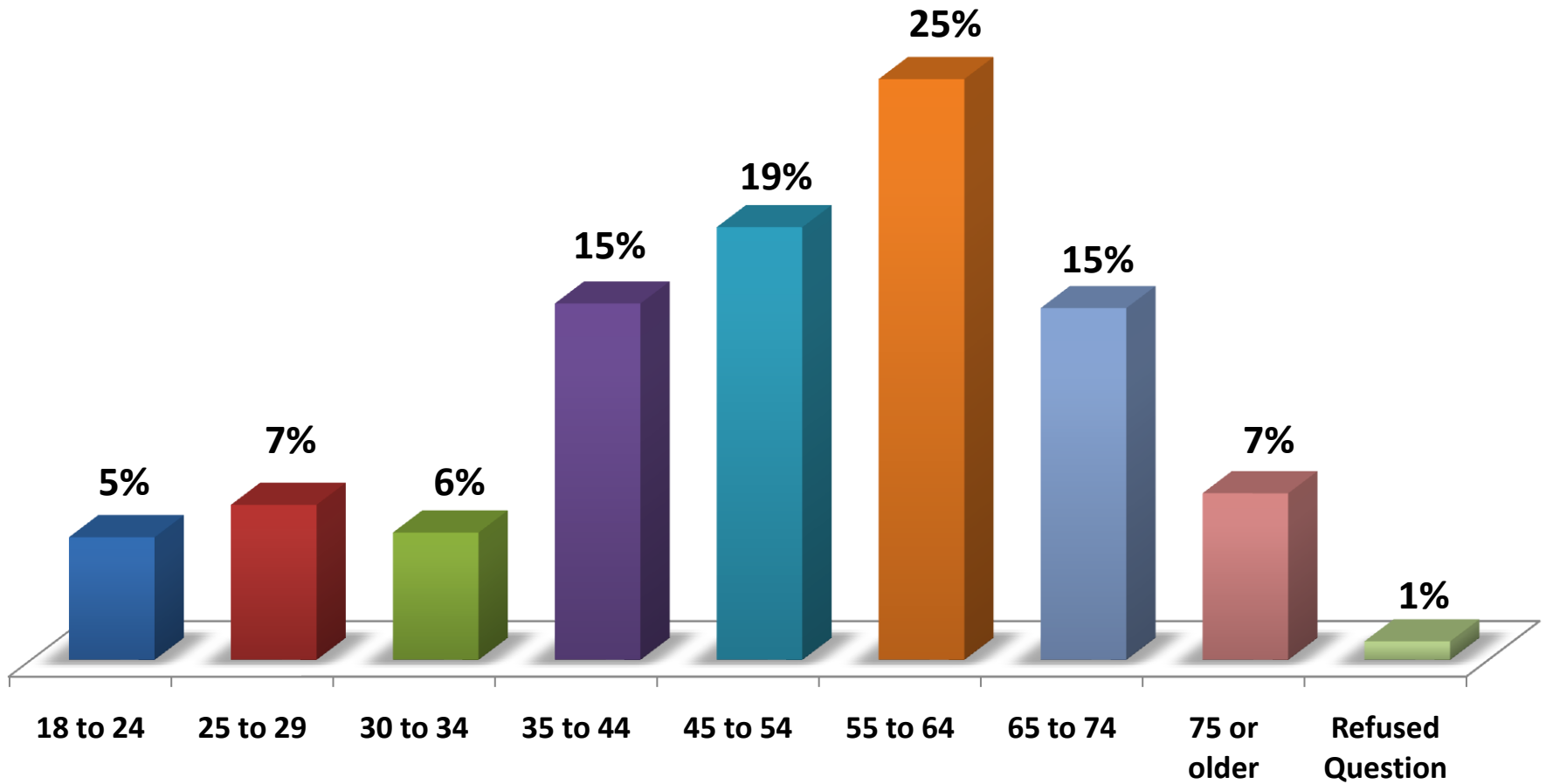
What is the highest level of school or college that you have completed?



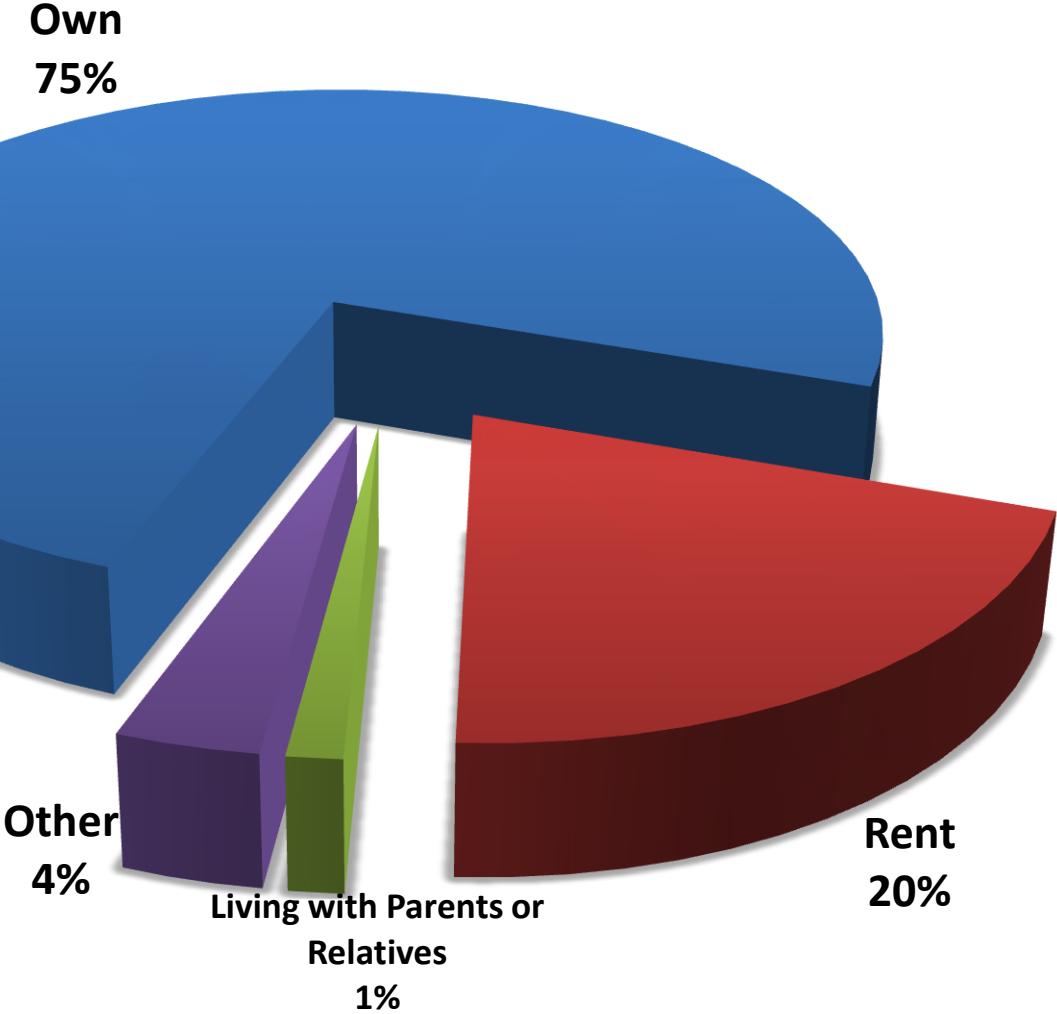
Income Range



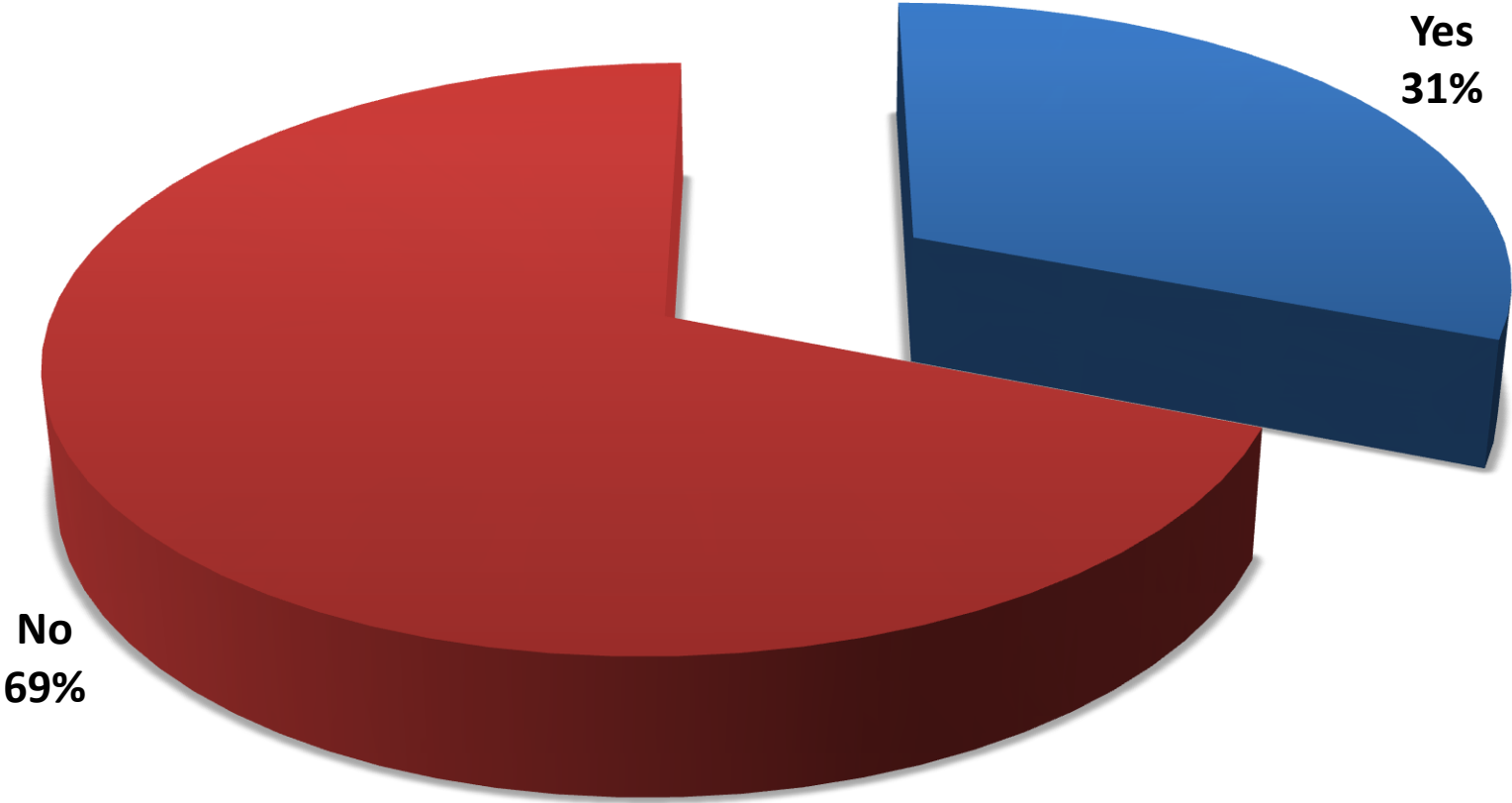
What is your age?



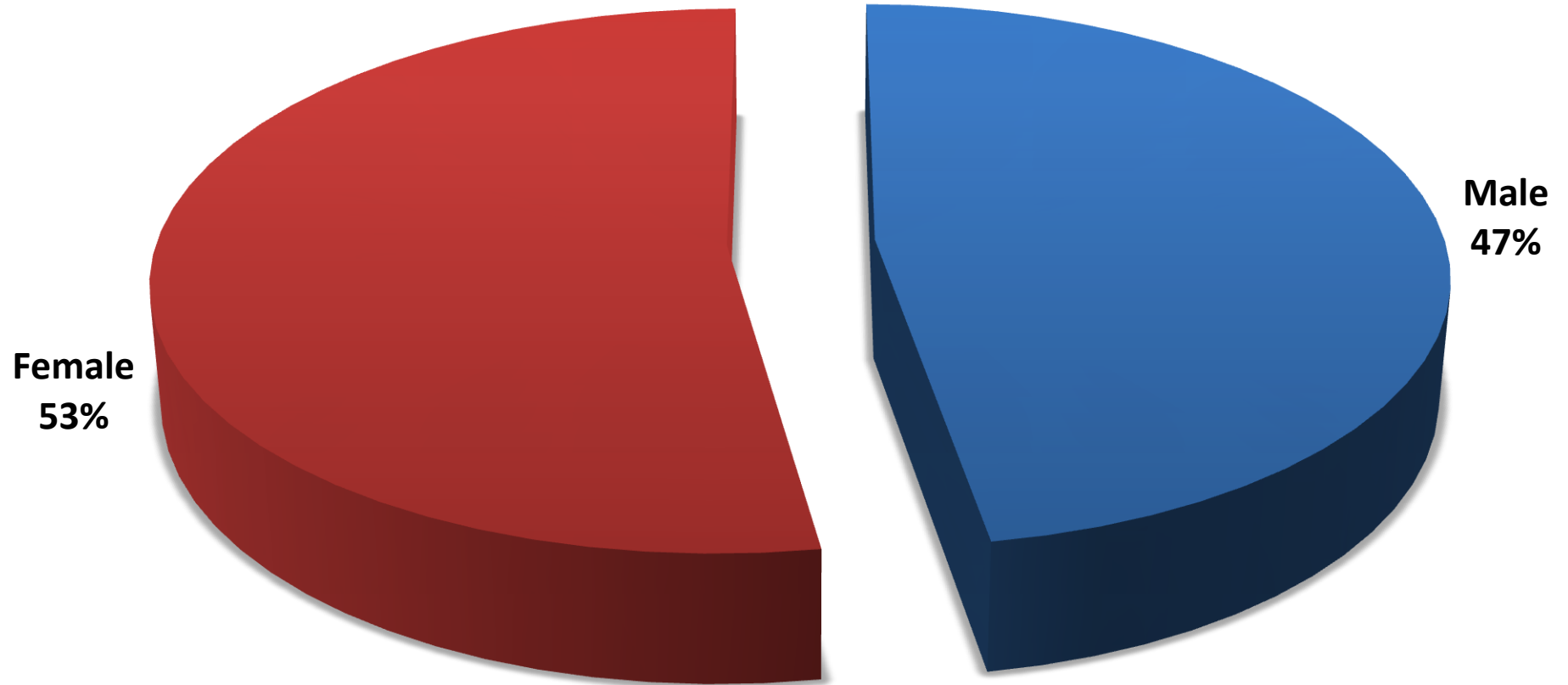
Do you own your home, rent, or live in some other type of housing?



Do you have K-12 school-age children?



Gender



Racial/Ethnic Group

