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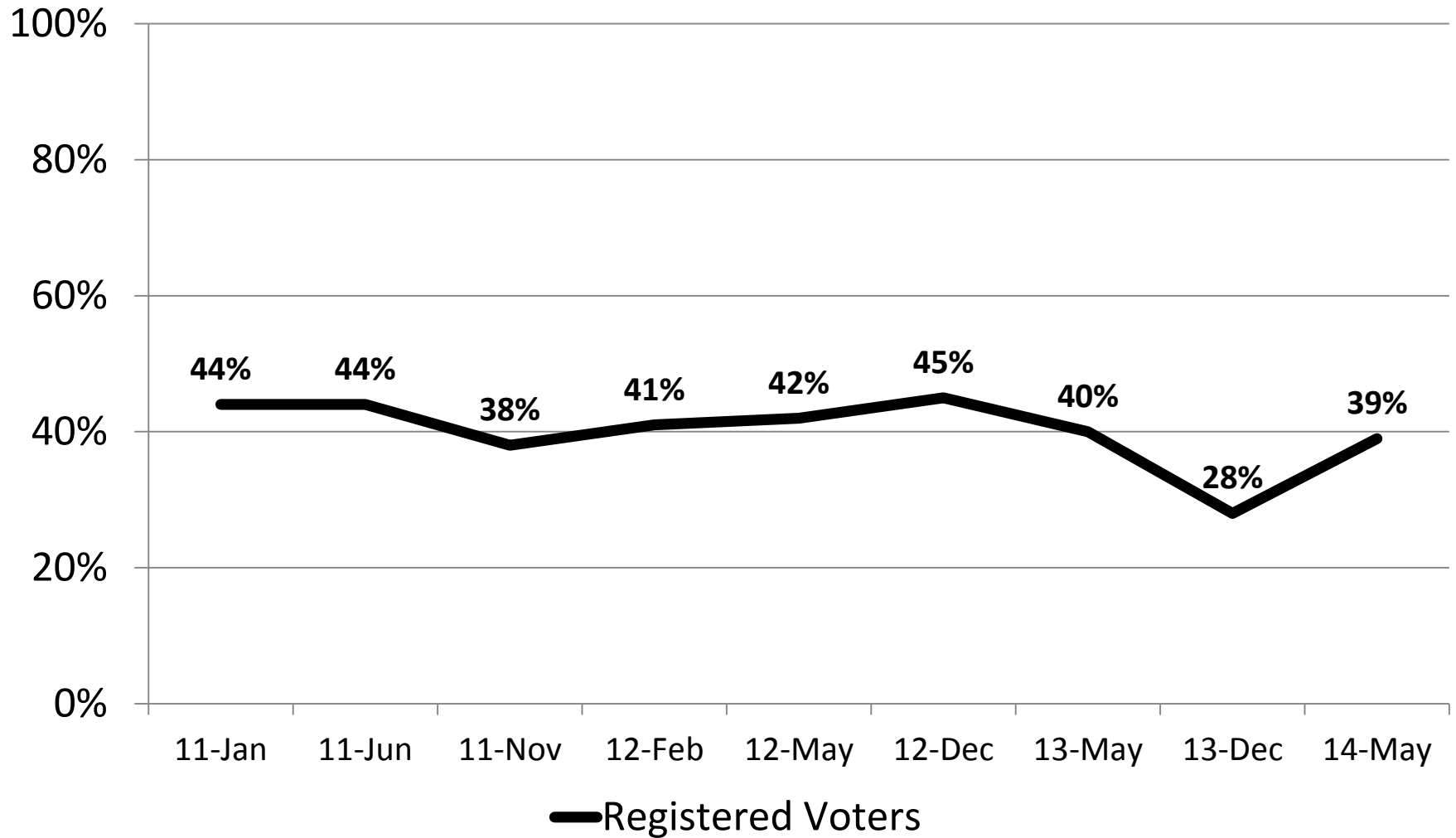
April 28 – May 13, 2014

1,505 Tennessee Residents

1,245 Tennessee Registered Voters

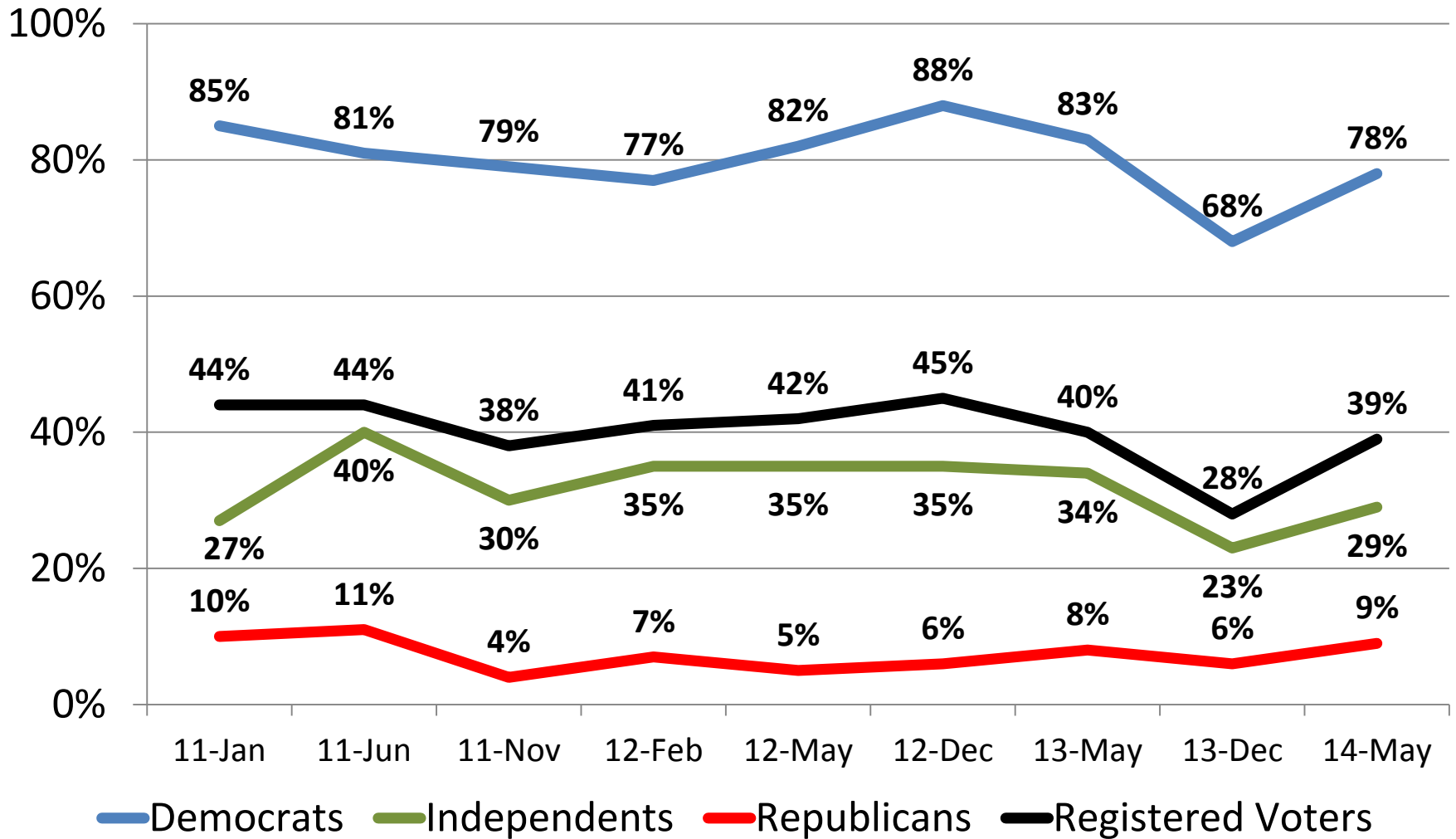
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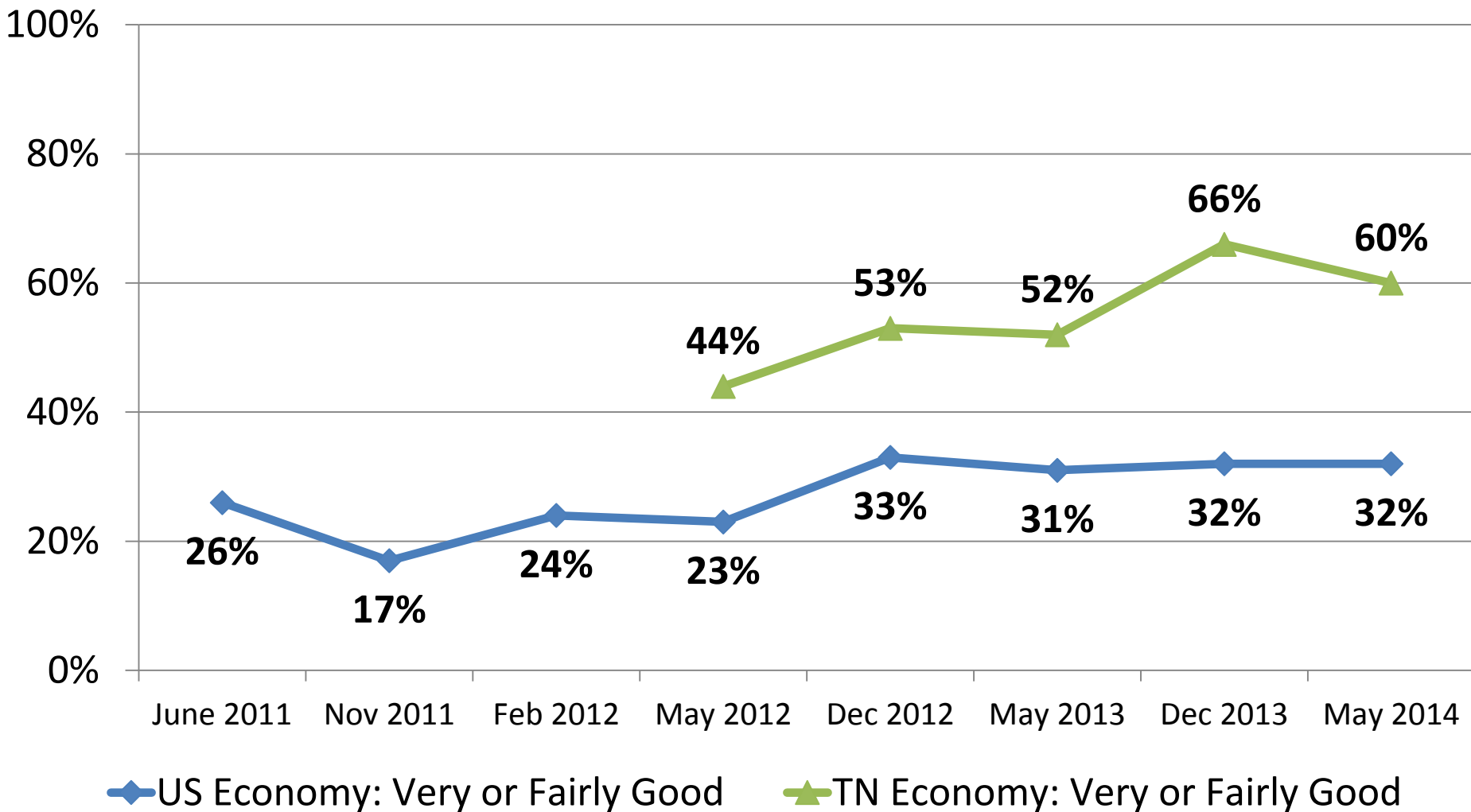
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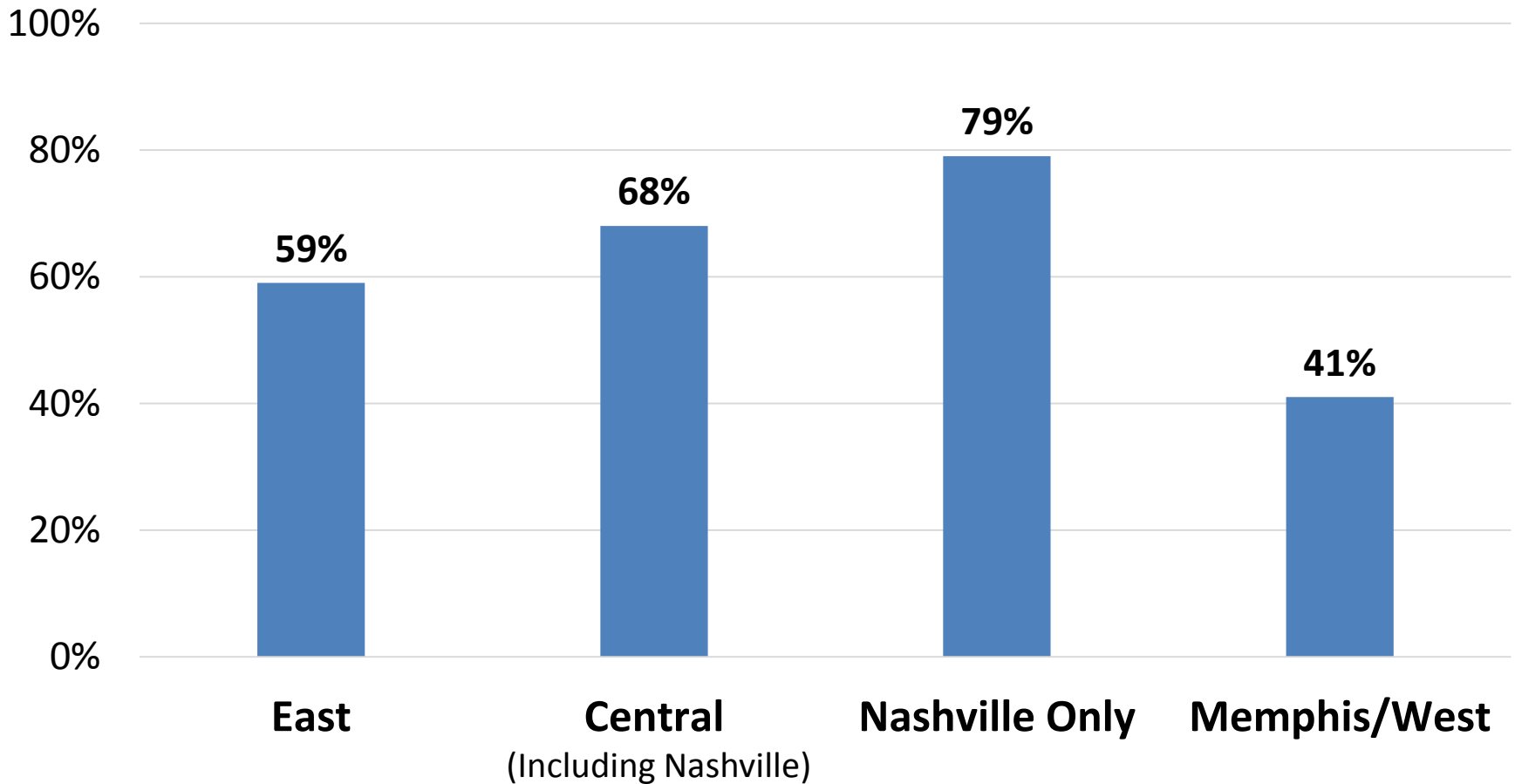


Perception of Economy

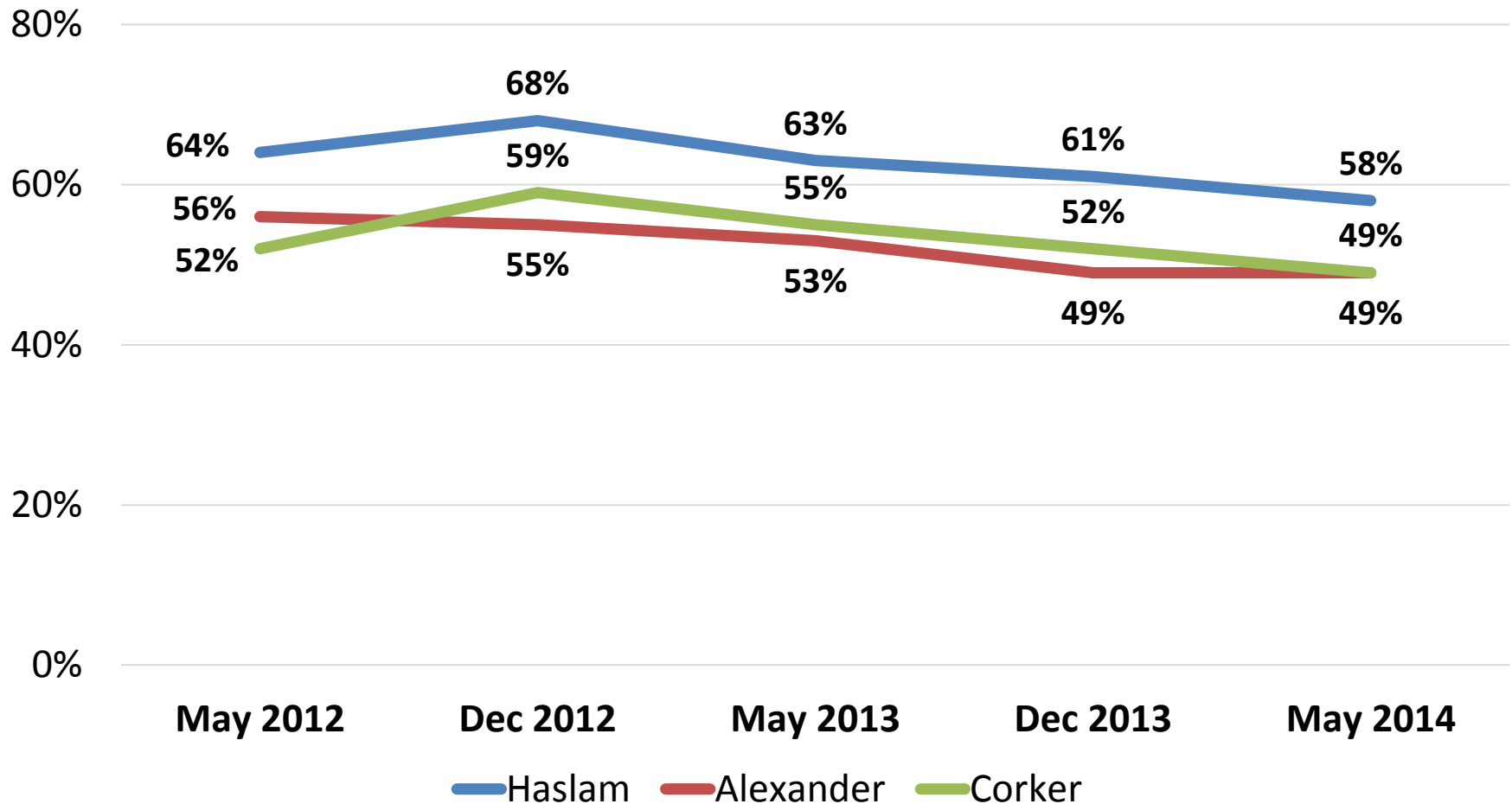
Among TN Registered Voters



Percentage of Voters who think the Tennessee State Economy is Very or Fairly Good



Approval Ratings of Statewide Officials

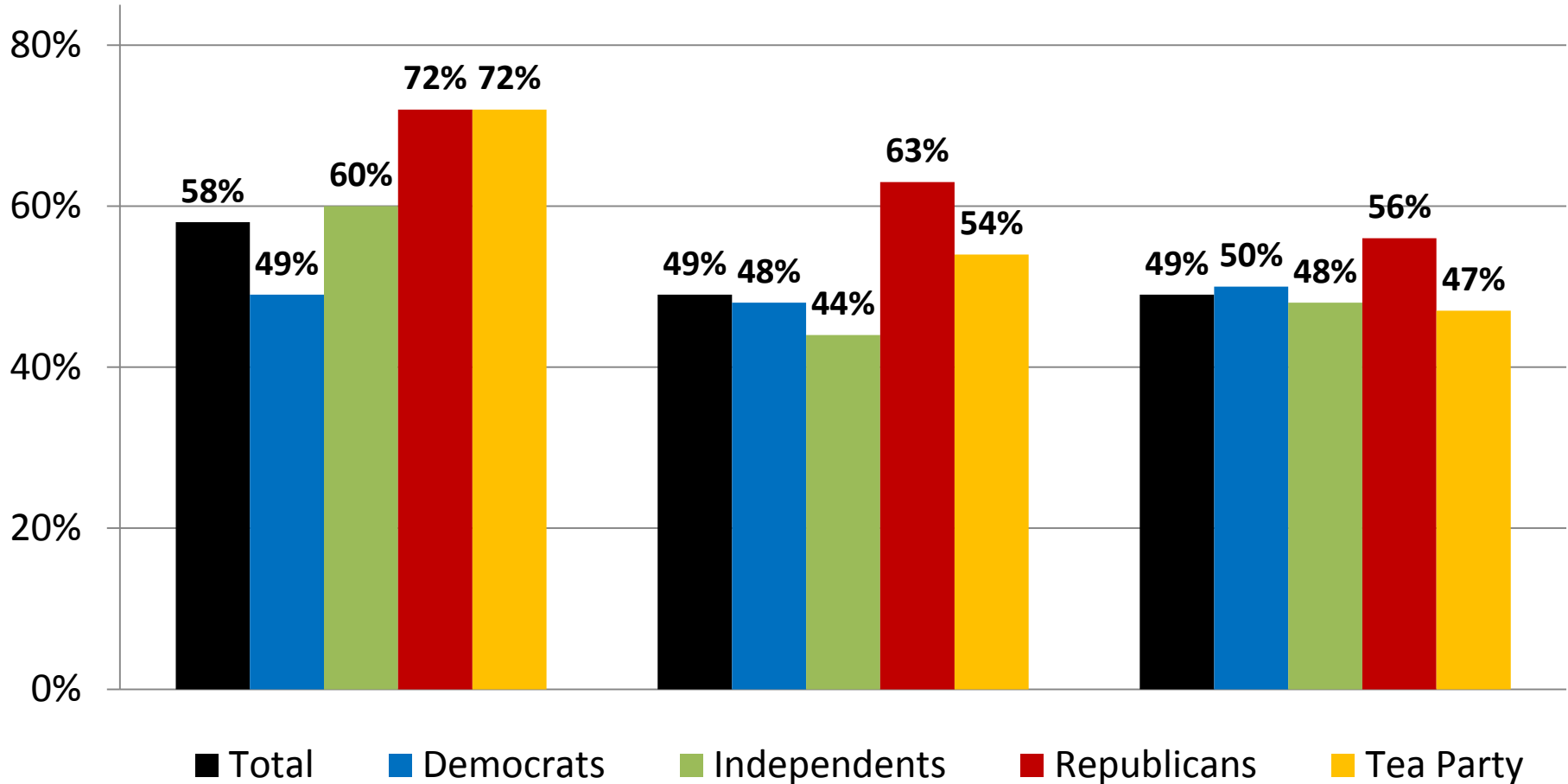


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**Bill
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**Bob
Corker**

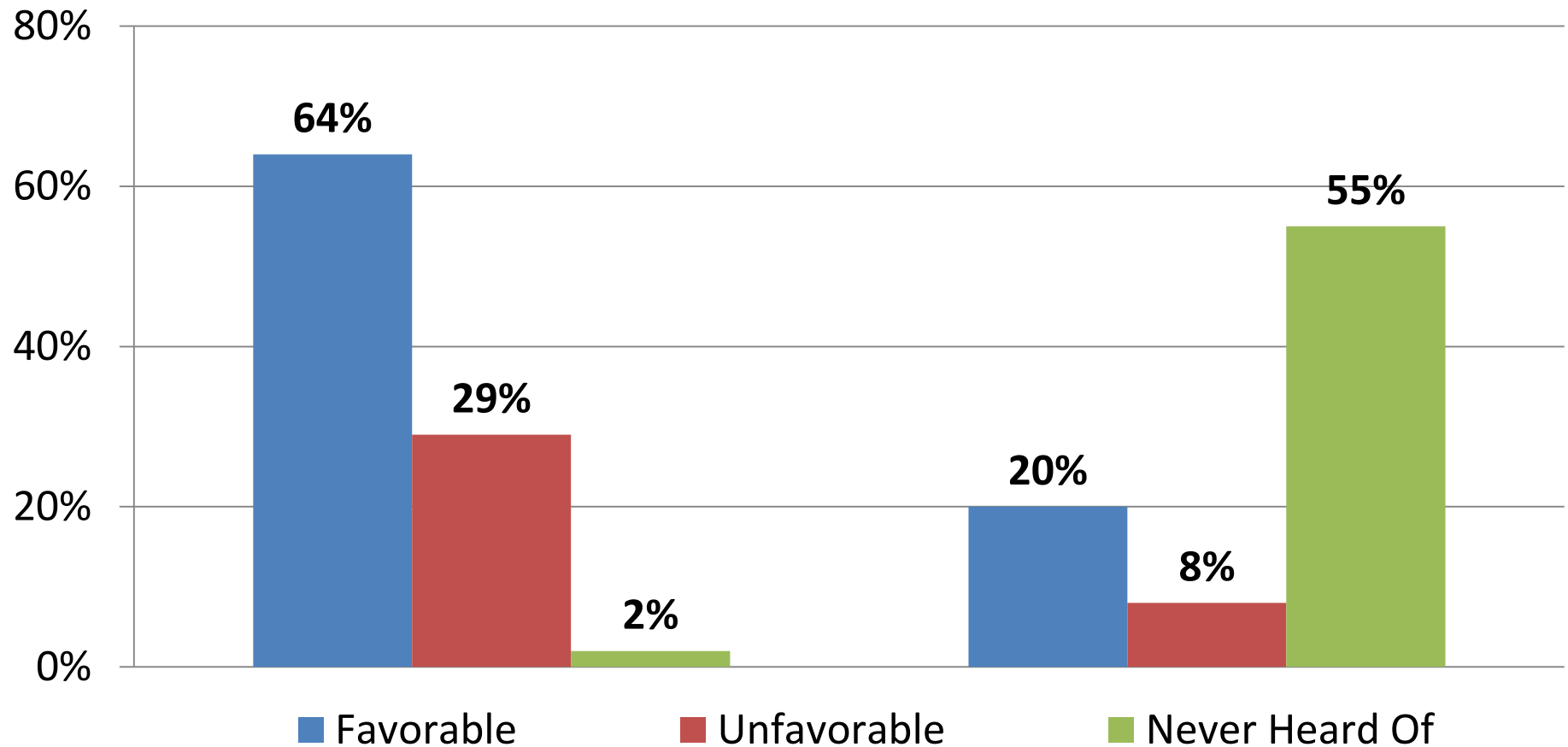
**Lamar
Alexander**



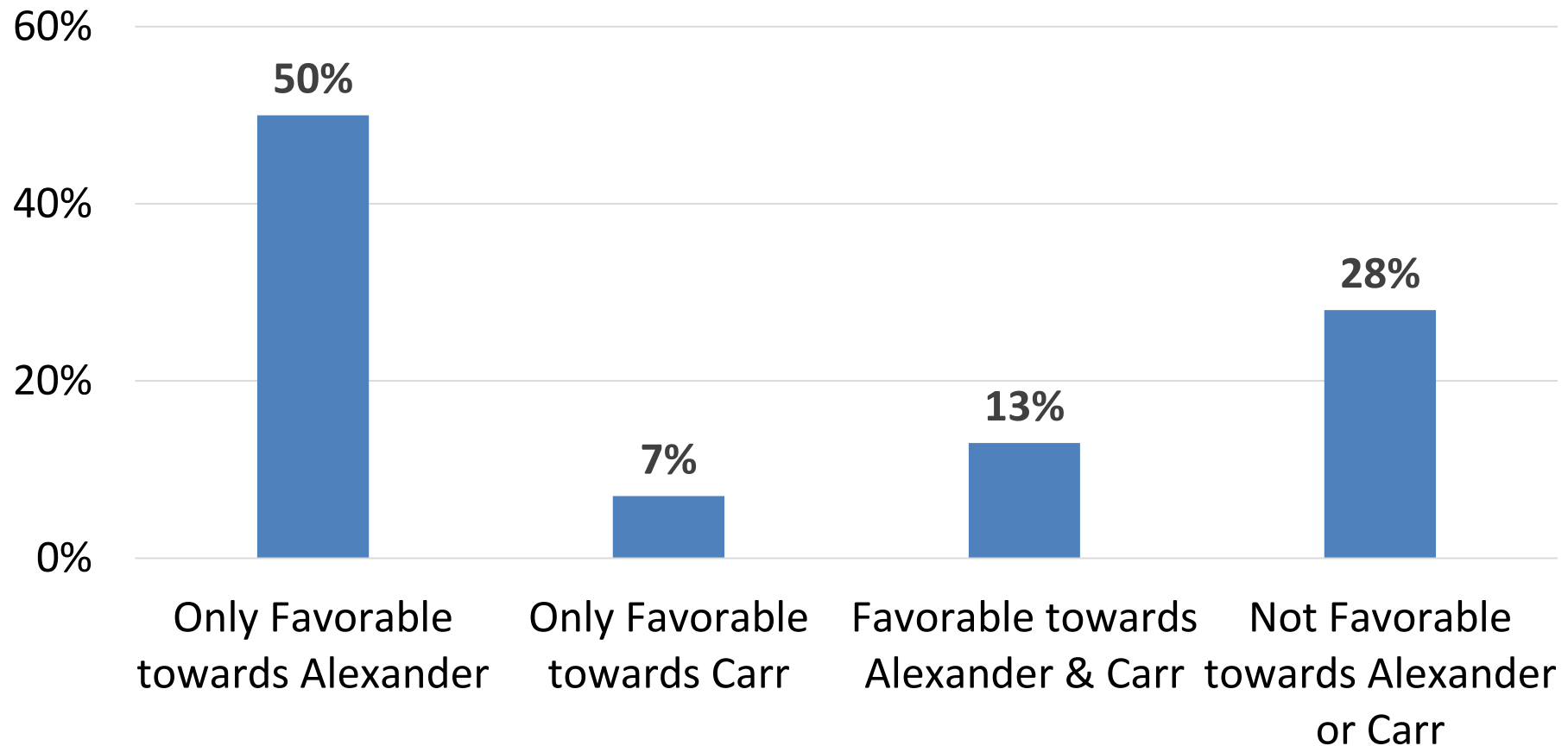
Republican Primary Voters' views of US Senate Candidates

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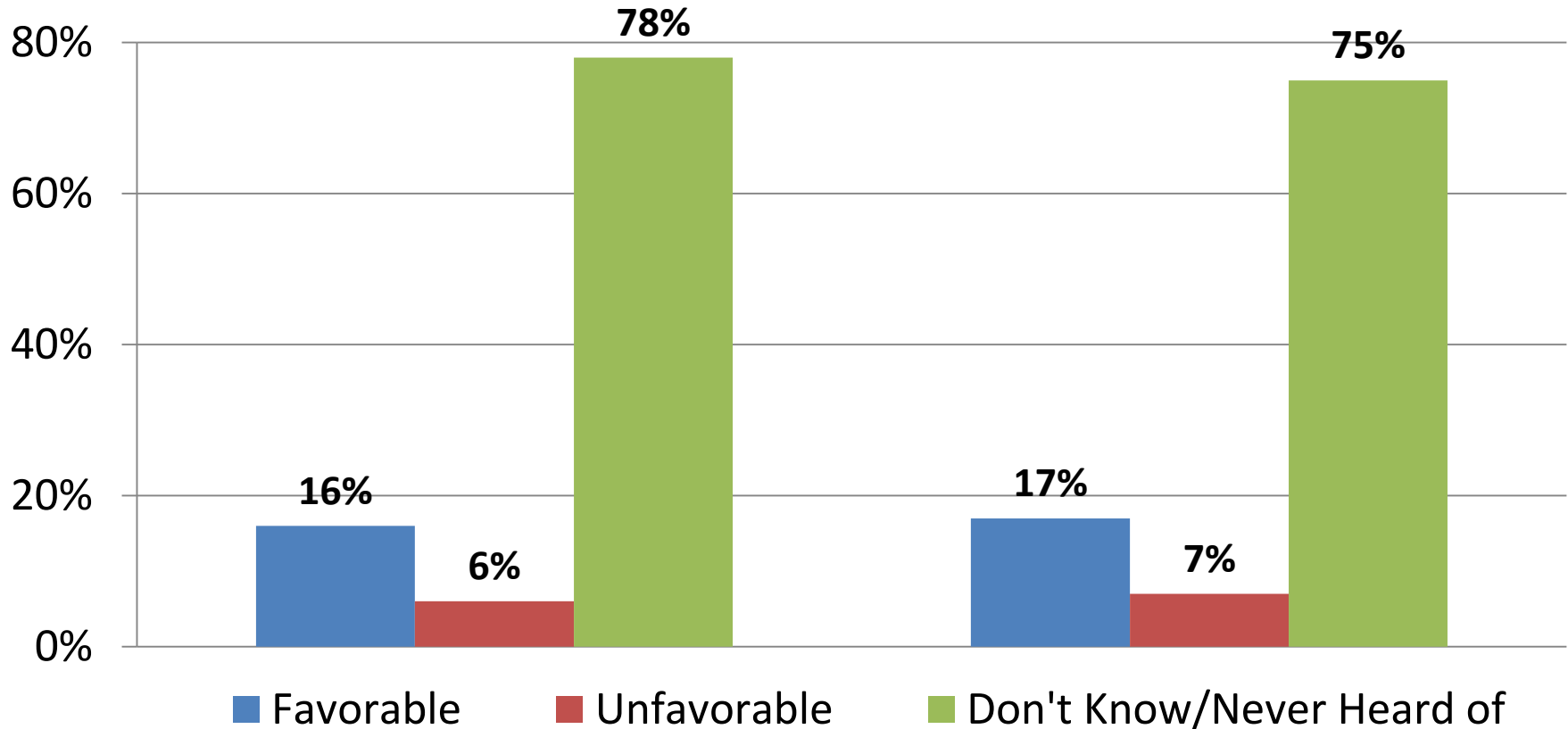


**Not favorable category includes Unfavorable, Don't Knows, and Never Heard of*

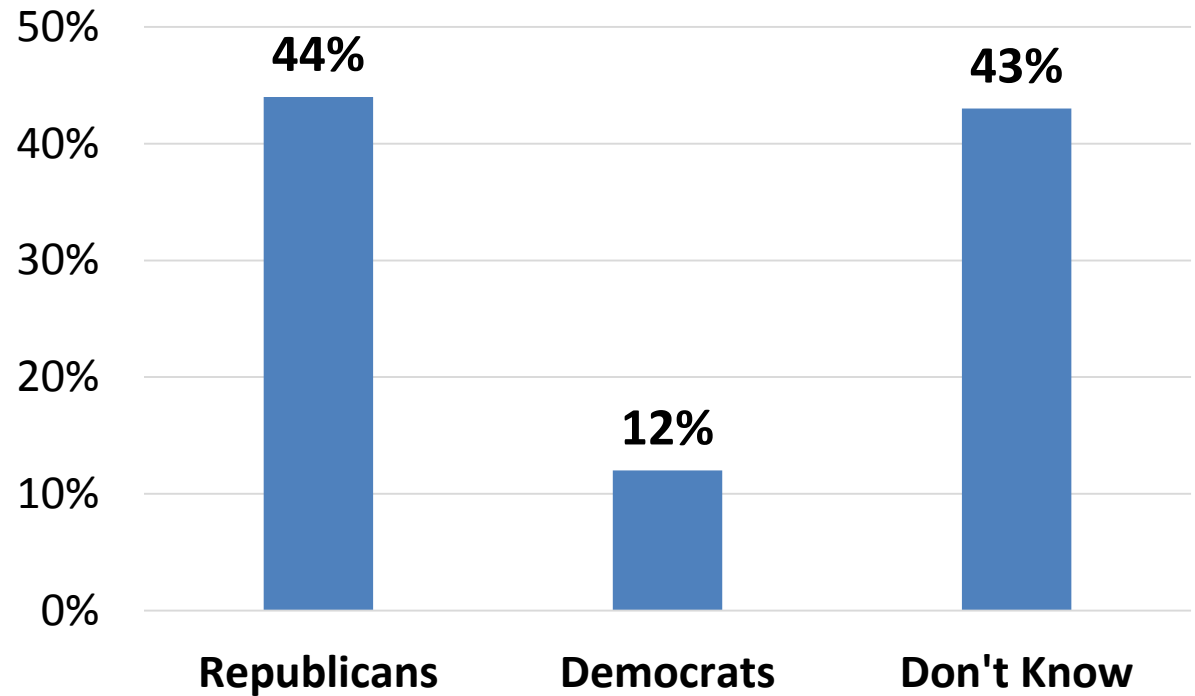
Republican Registered Voters Favorability towards Joe Carr

December 2013

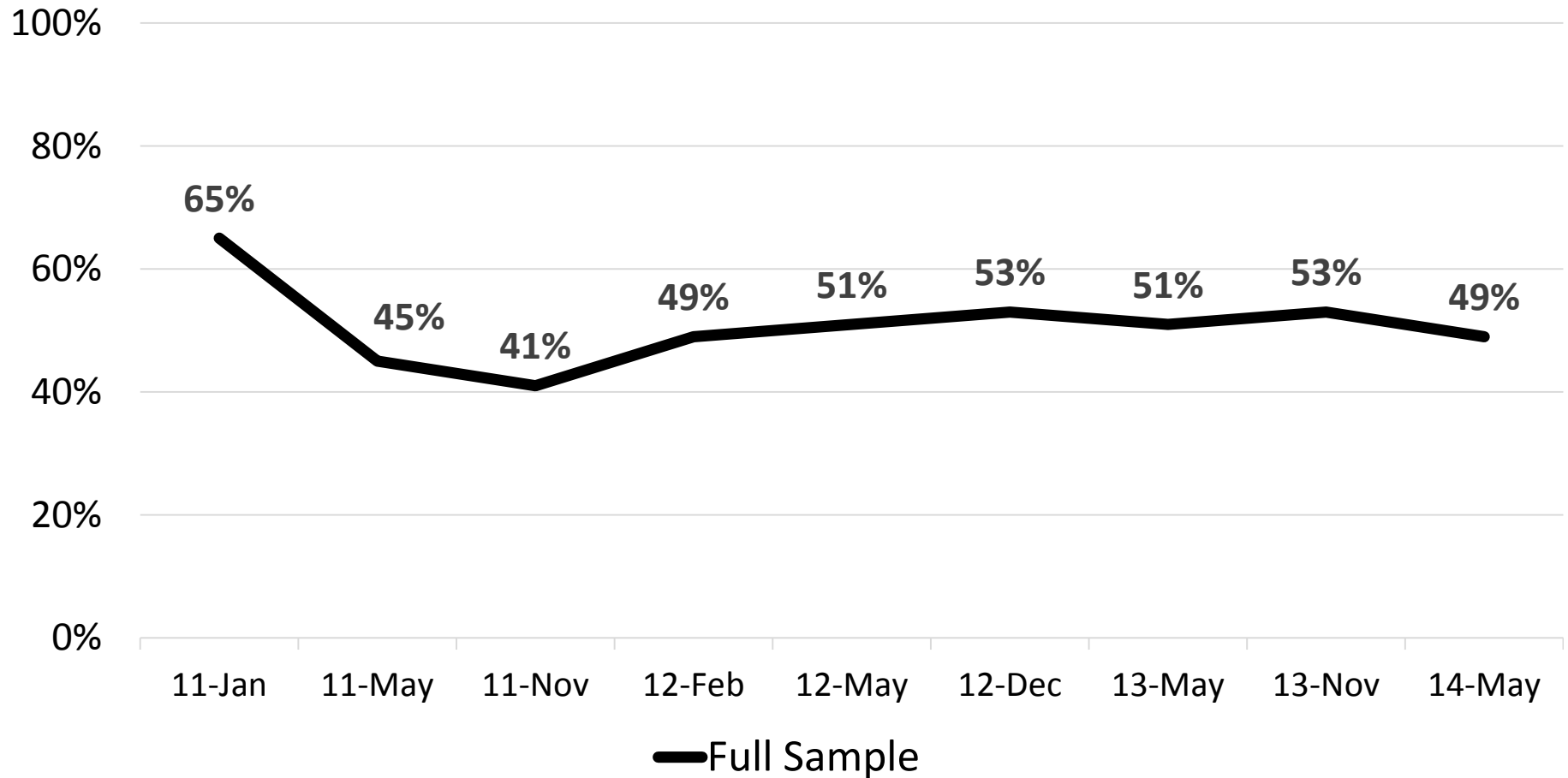
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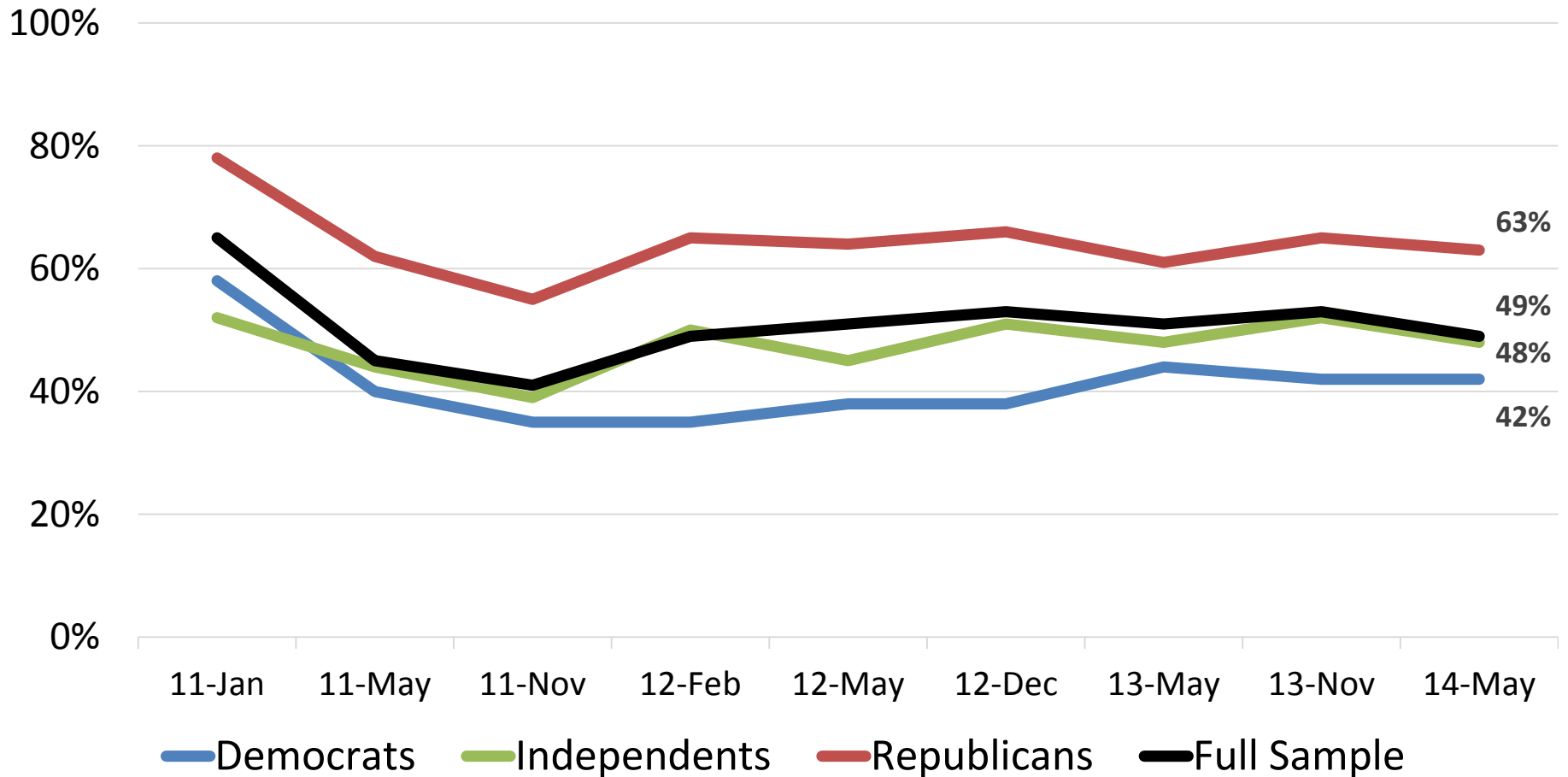
Which party controls the state house?



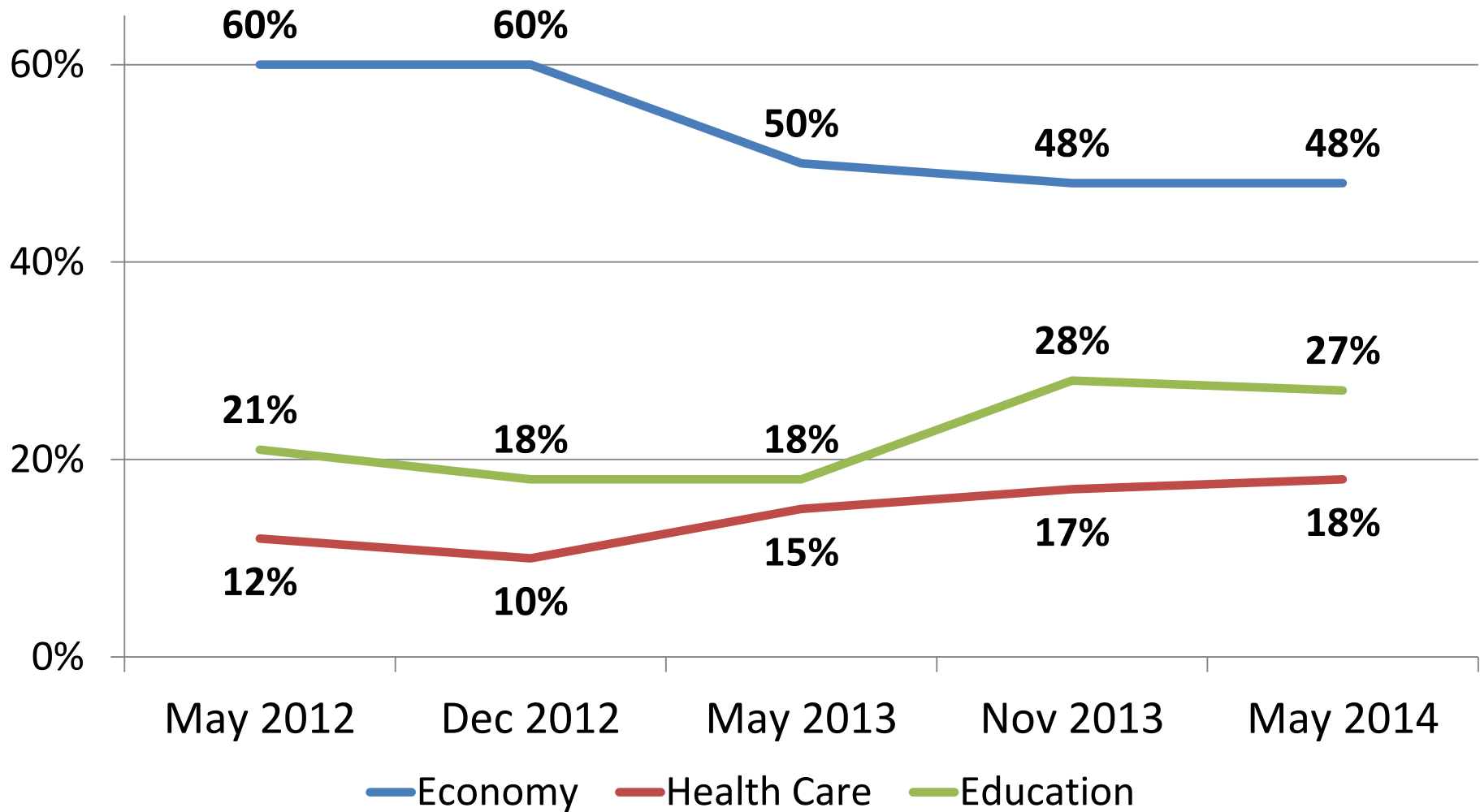
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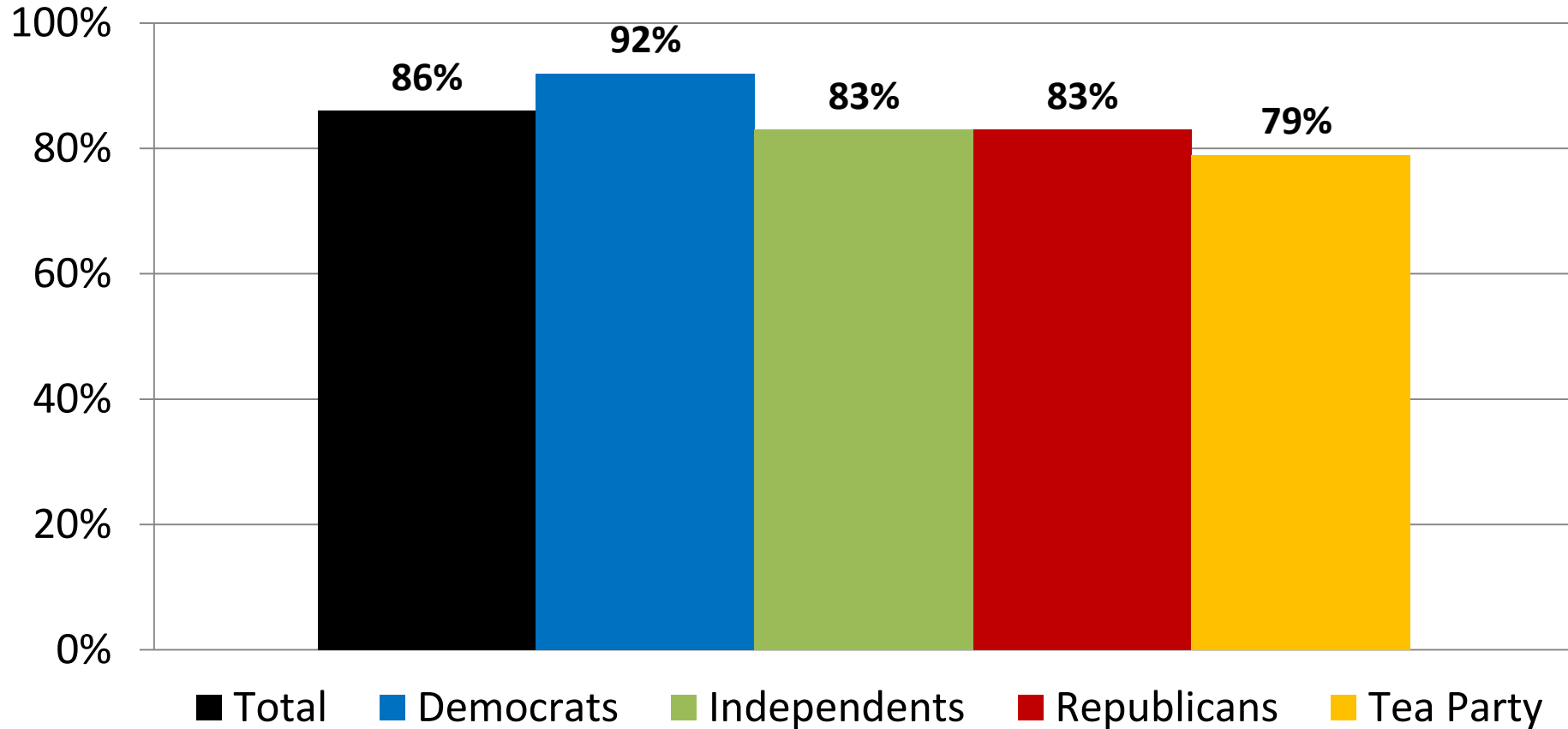


Top Priority of the TN State Government



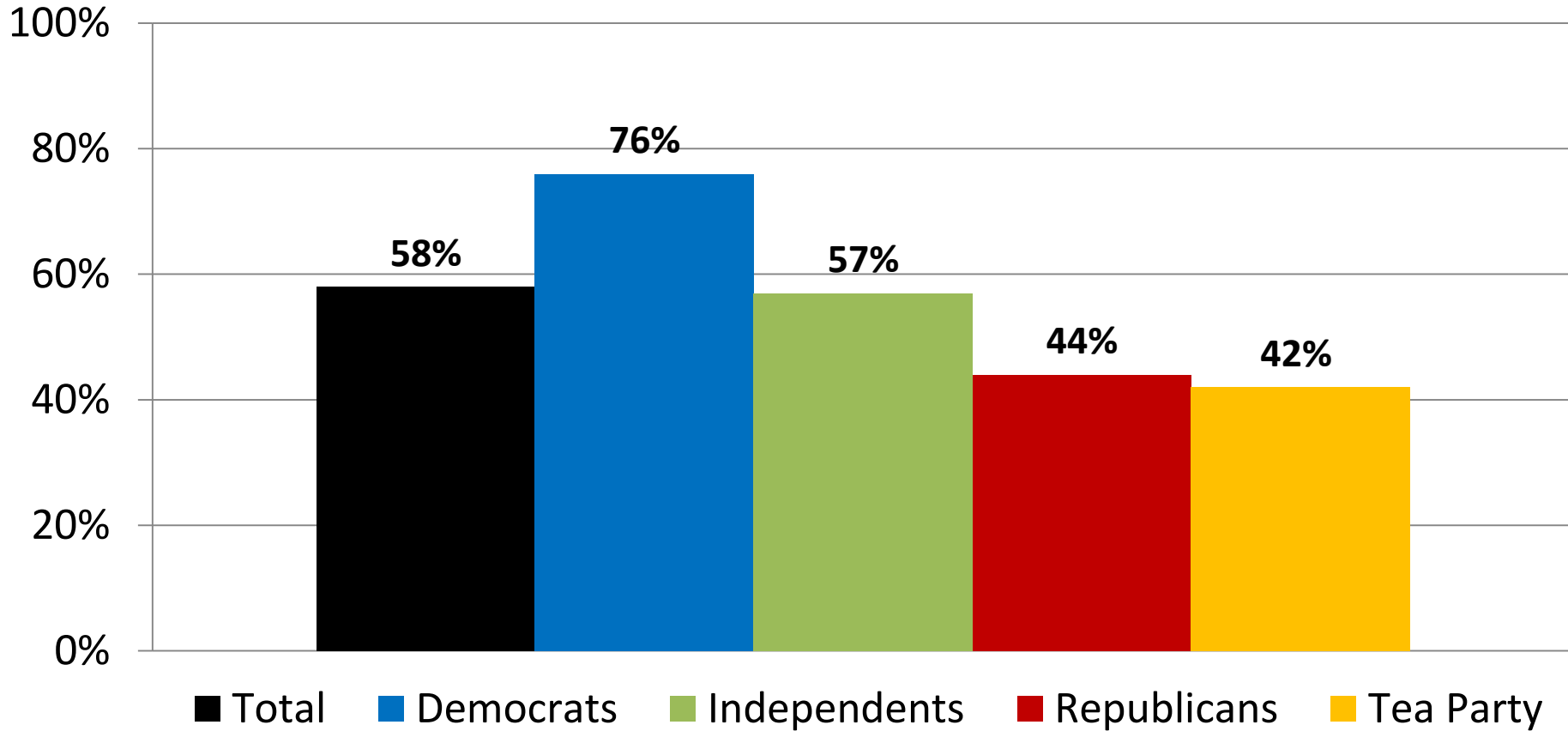
Tennessee Promise

A new state law called the “Tennessee Promise” was recently passed, making tuition at all community and technical colleges free for graduating high school seniors in the state. The program will be funded by the Tennessee Lottery. Do you support or oppose this law?

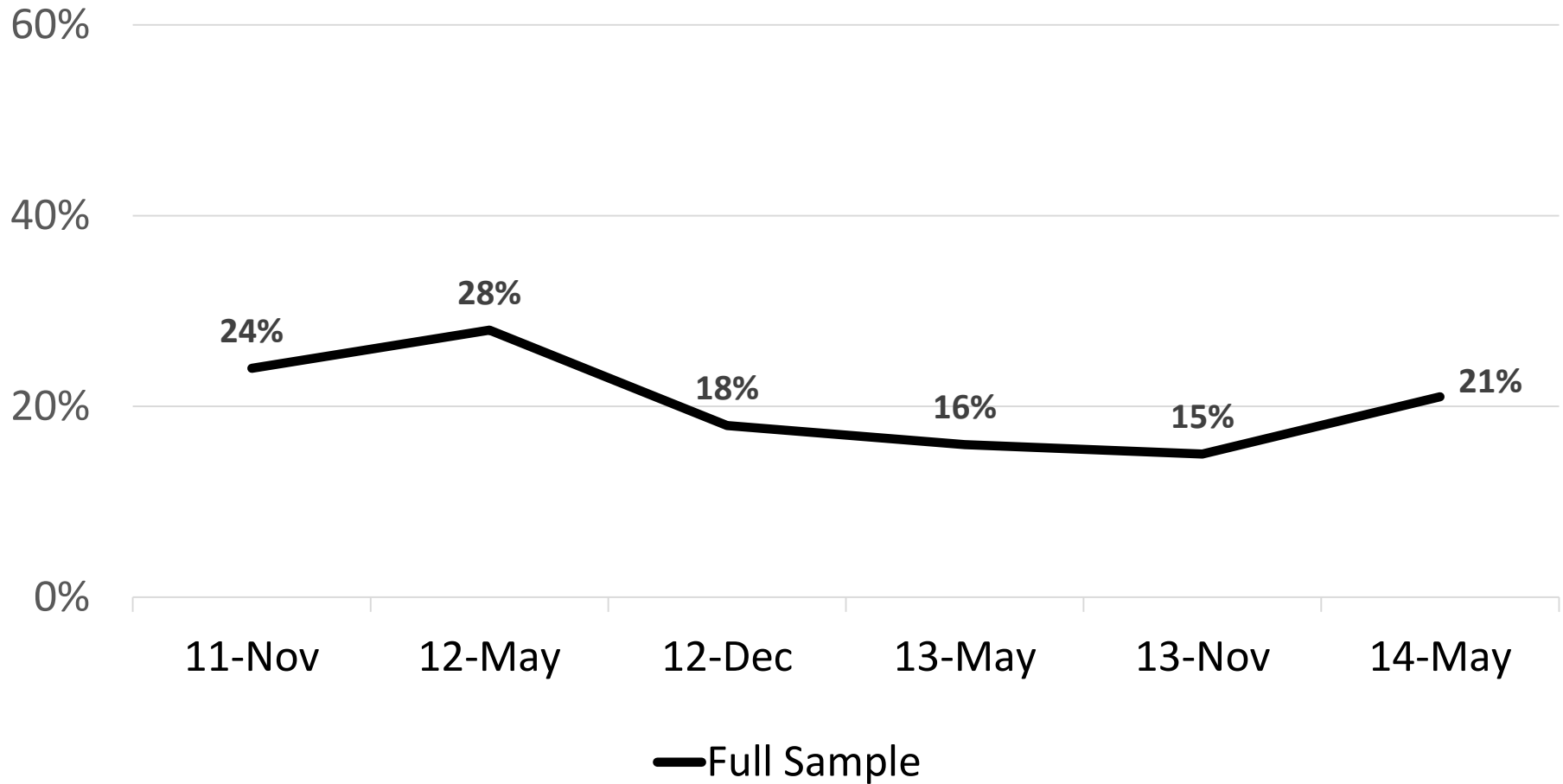


Common Core

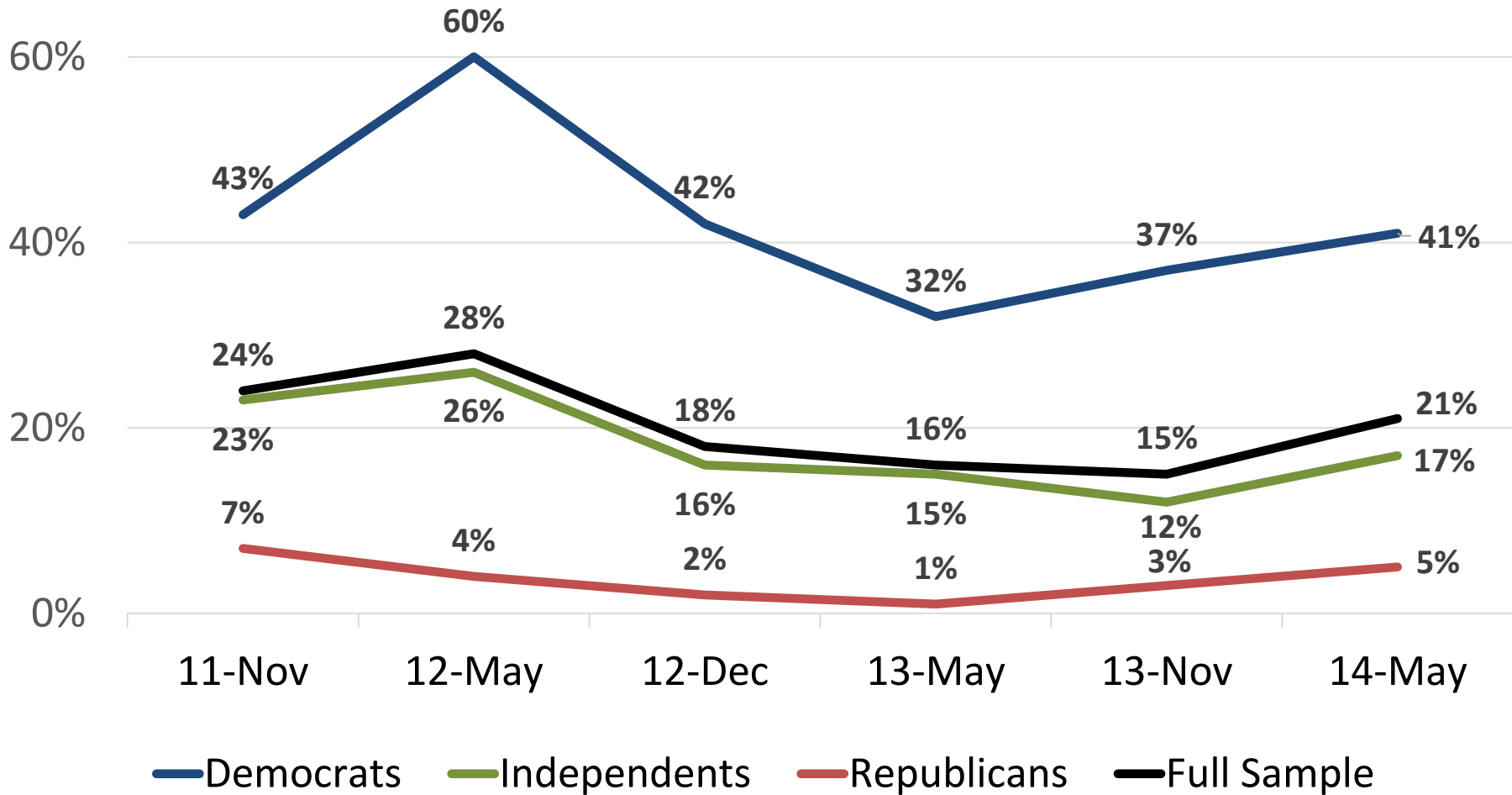
The Common Core State Standards are a set of education standards for math and English Language Arts that were developed with the goal of preparing public school students for college or the workforce. Do you support implementing the Common Core standards in Tennessee public schools, or do you oppose it?



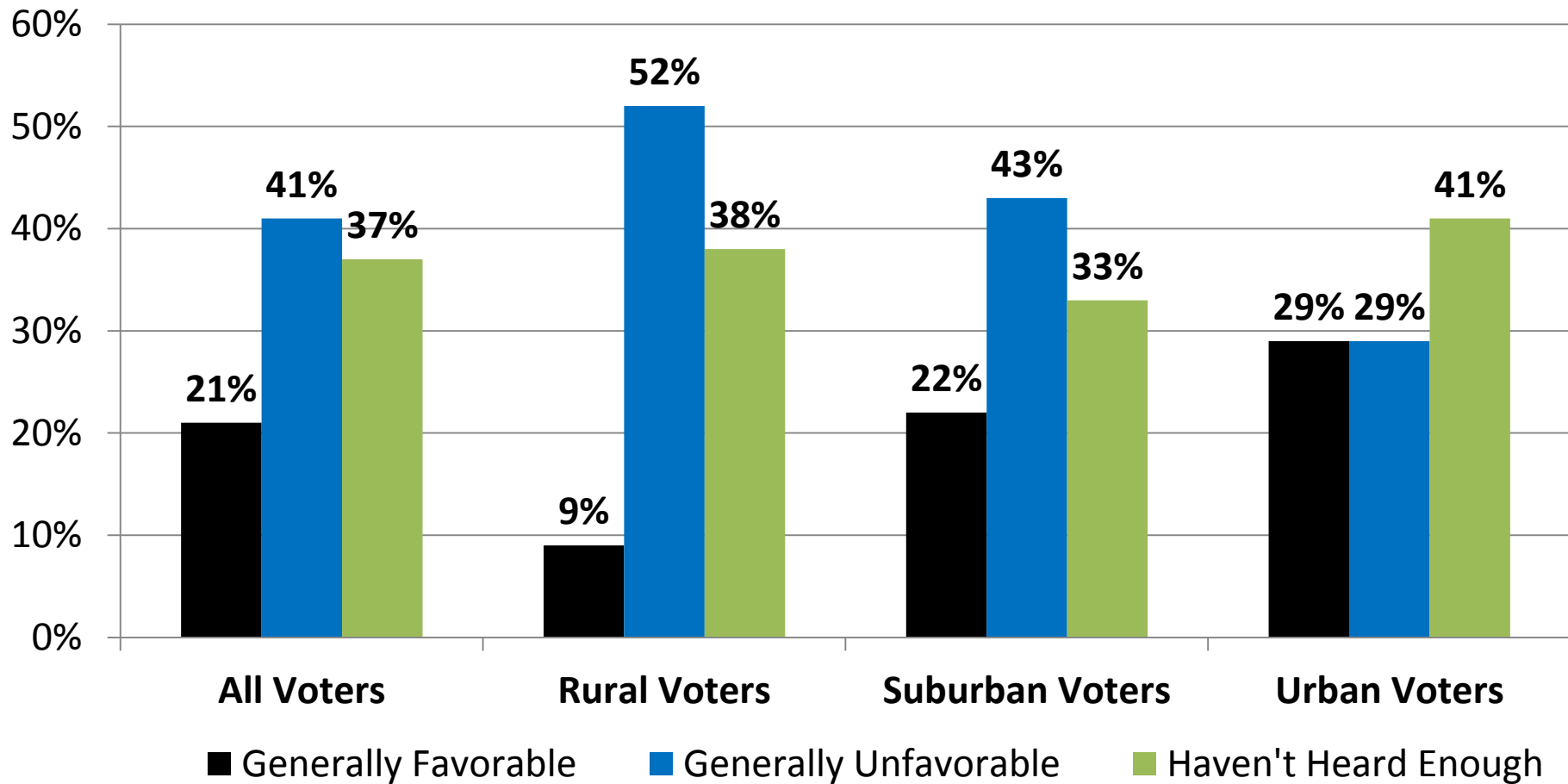
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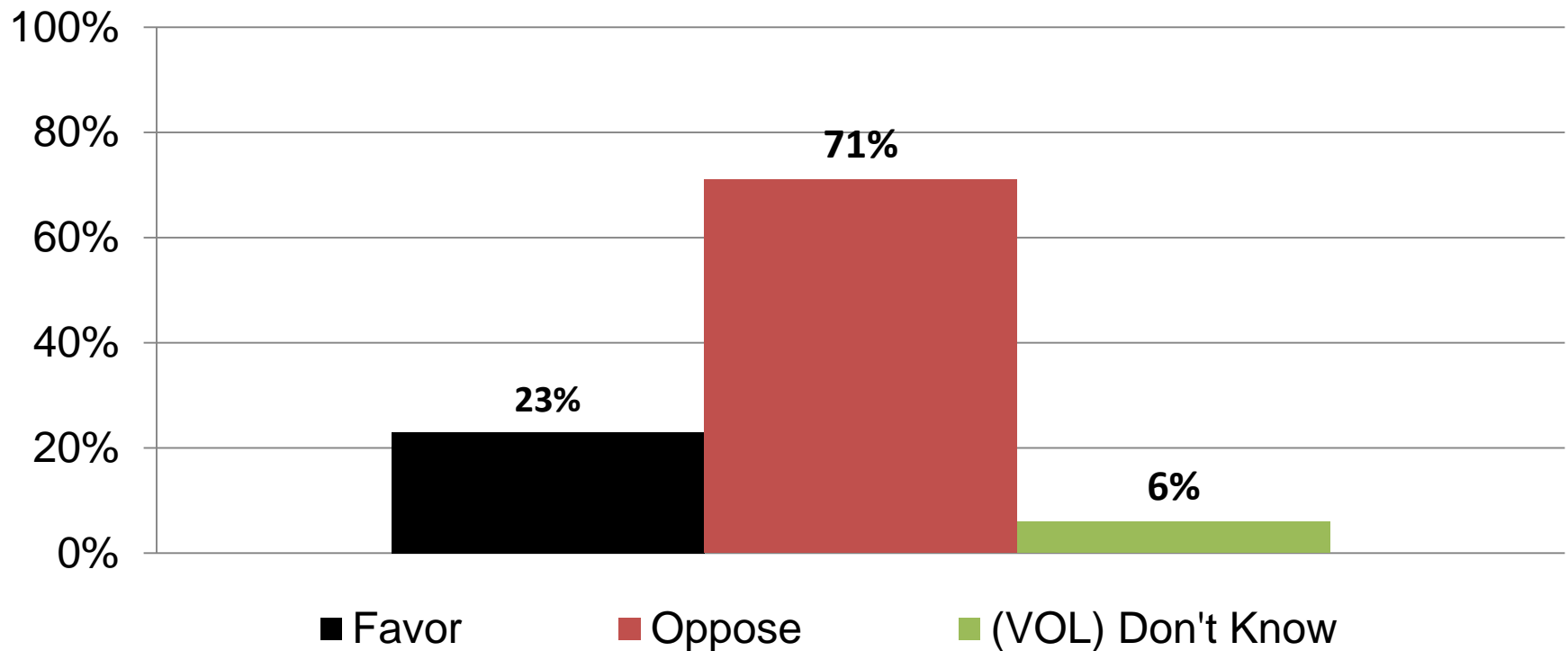


Favorability towards the ACA amongst Rural, Suburban, and Urban Voters



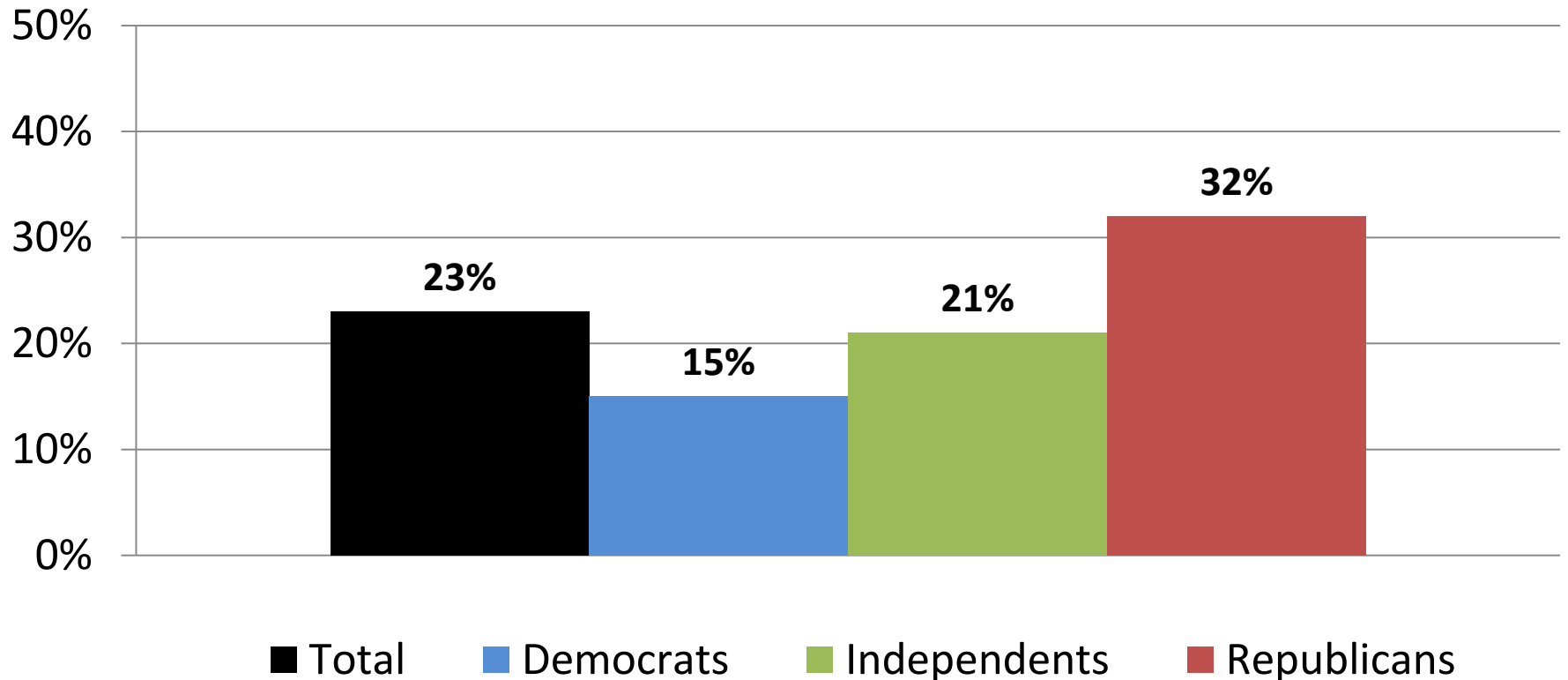
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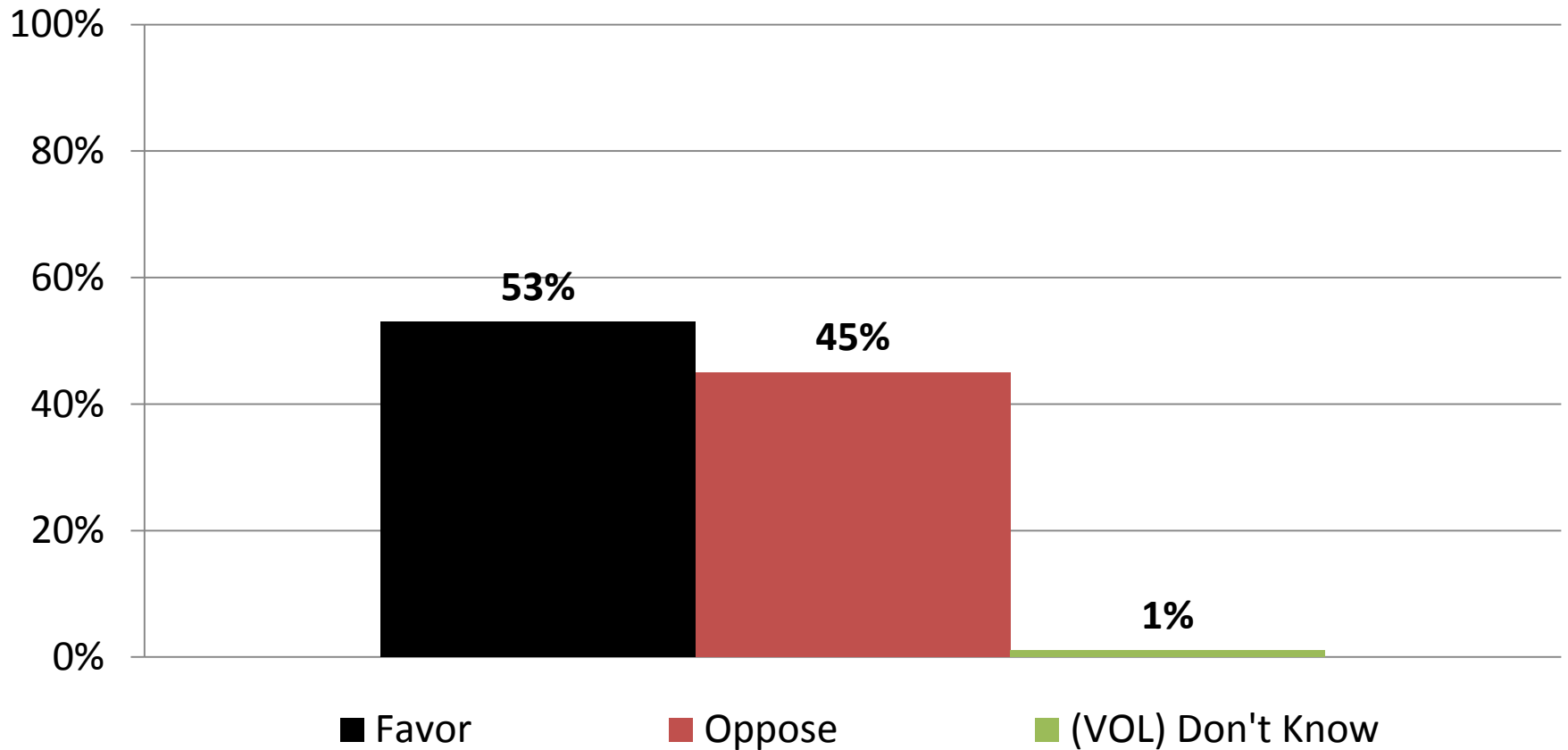
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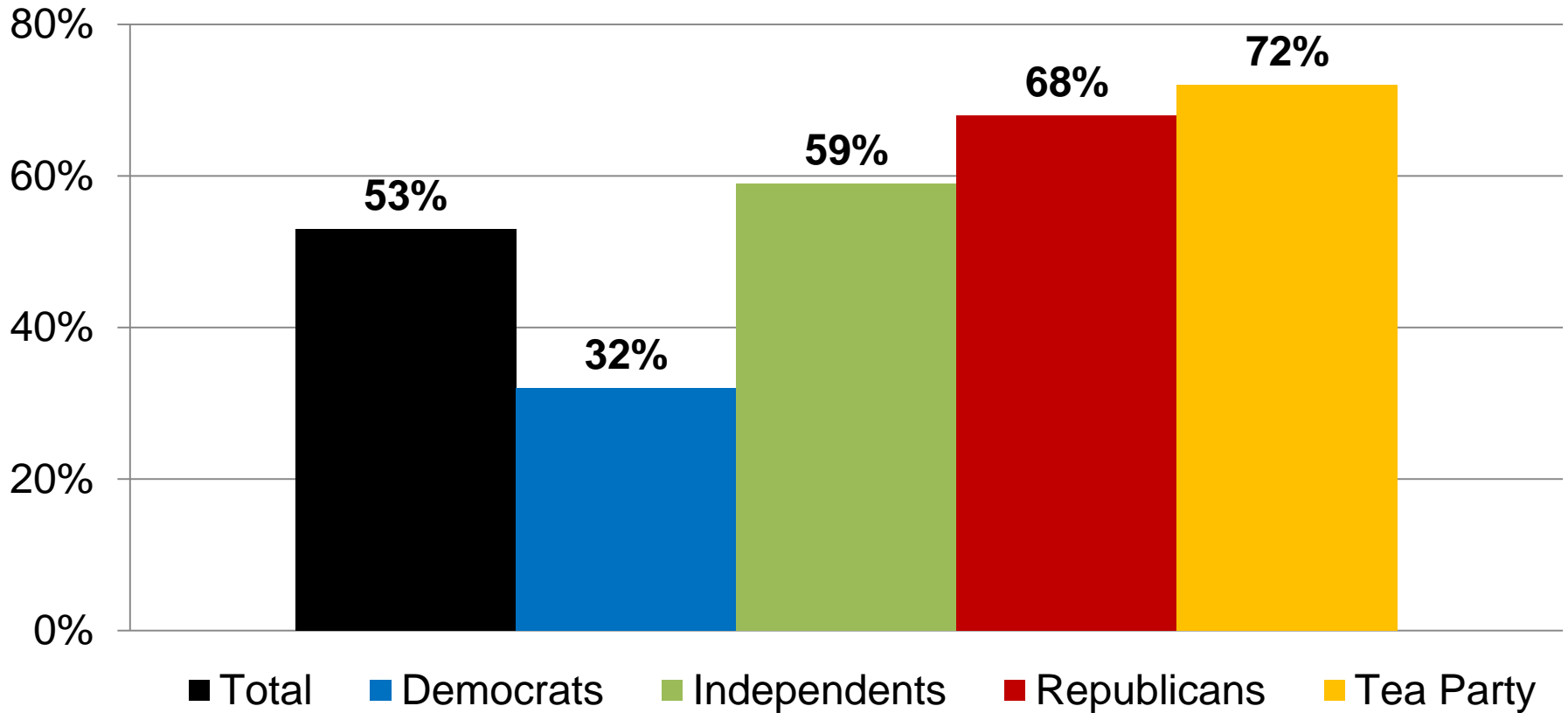
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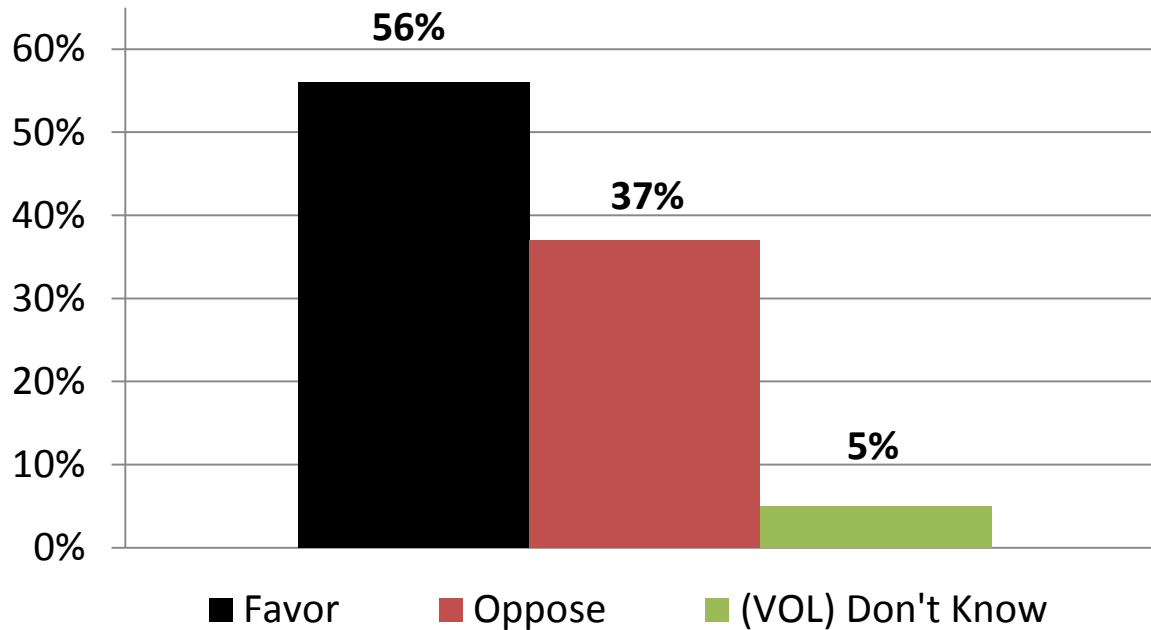
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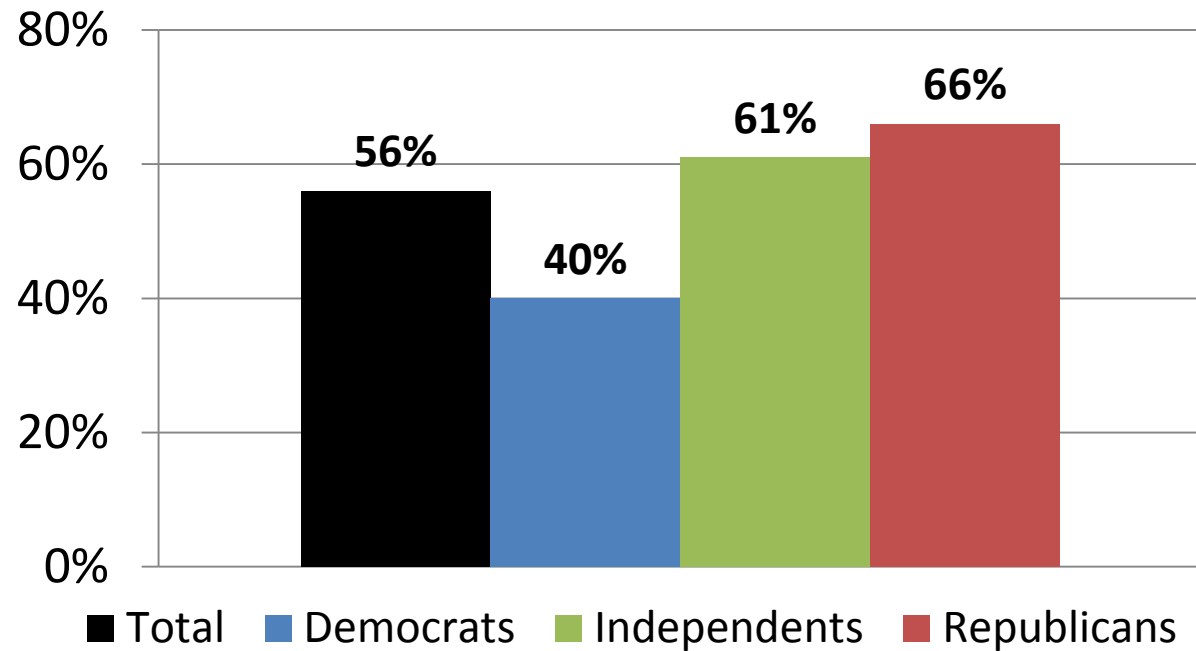
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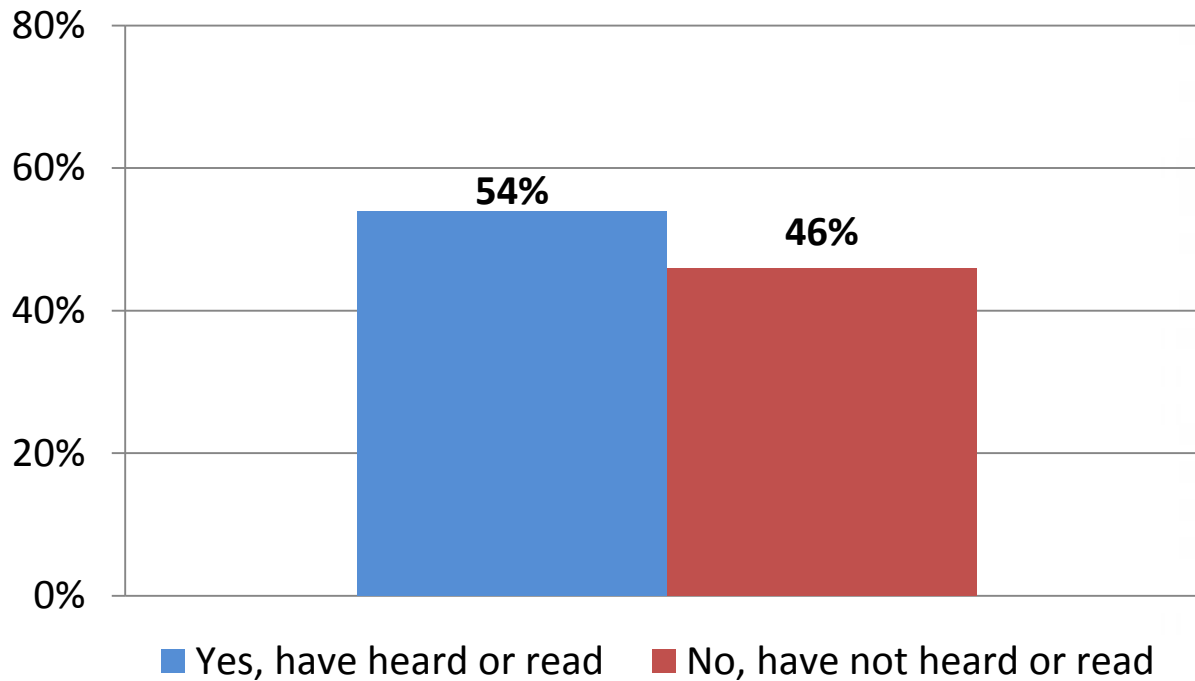
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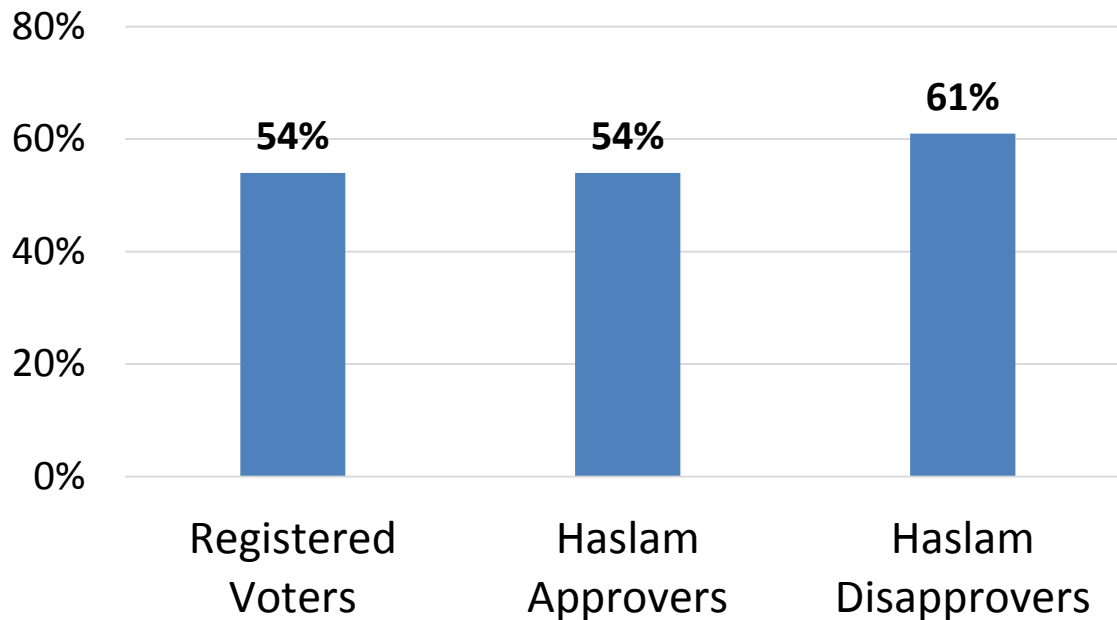
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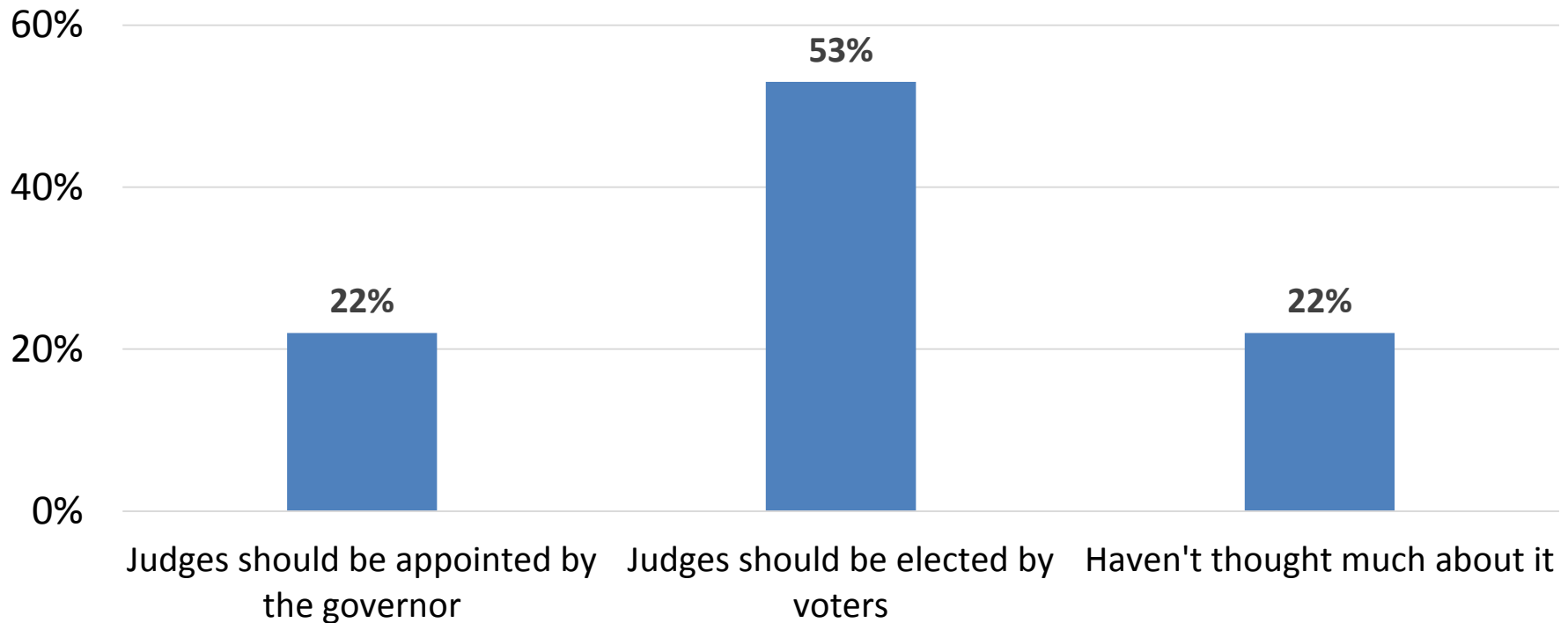
Pct. Respondents who heard about plant workers' decision



Volkswagen

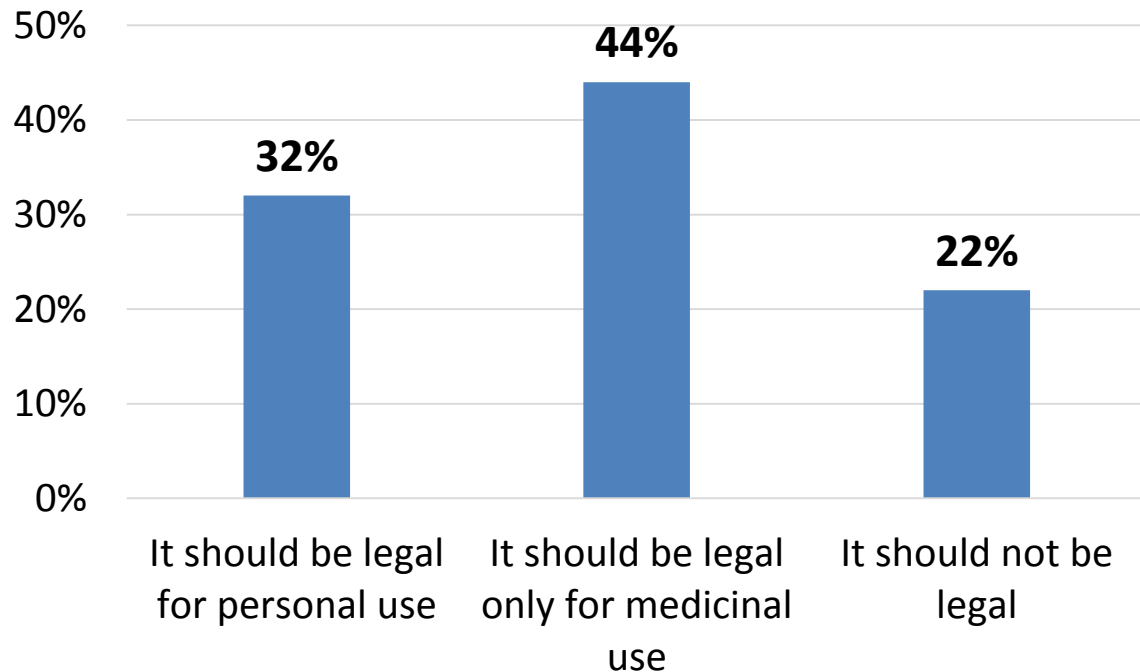
Judicial Selection

Since 1970, judges on the Tennessee Supreme Court have been chosen by the Governor from a list of qualified candidates put forward by a nominating commission. The State Legislature has been debating whether Tennessee voters should elect these judges. Some support this change because citizens, rather than the governor, would choose judges. Others oppose the change because judges would have to campaign for election, which might politicize the judicial process. What do you think? Should judges be appointed by the governor, or elected by voters, or haven't you thought much about it?



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