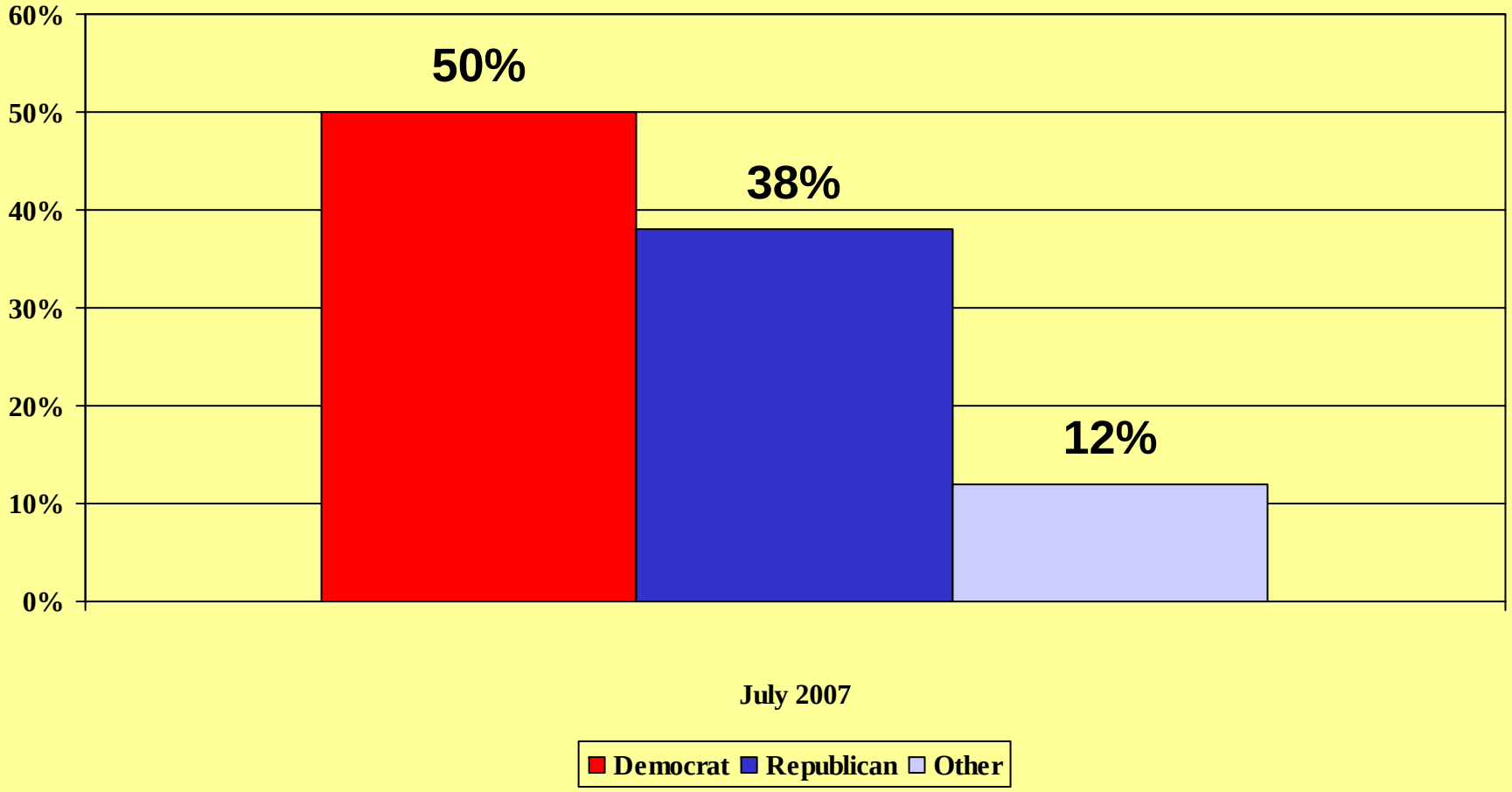
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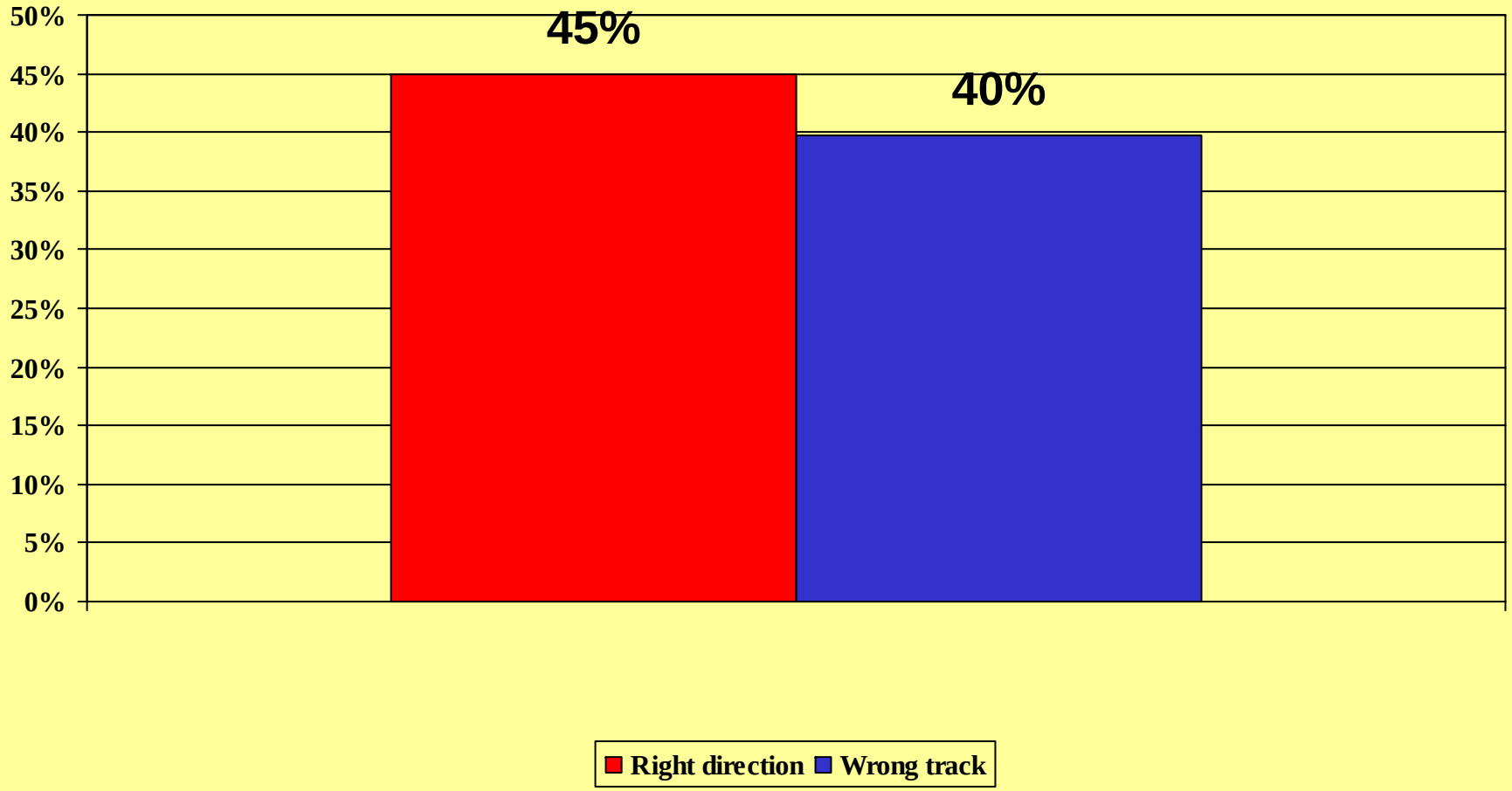
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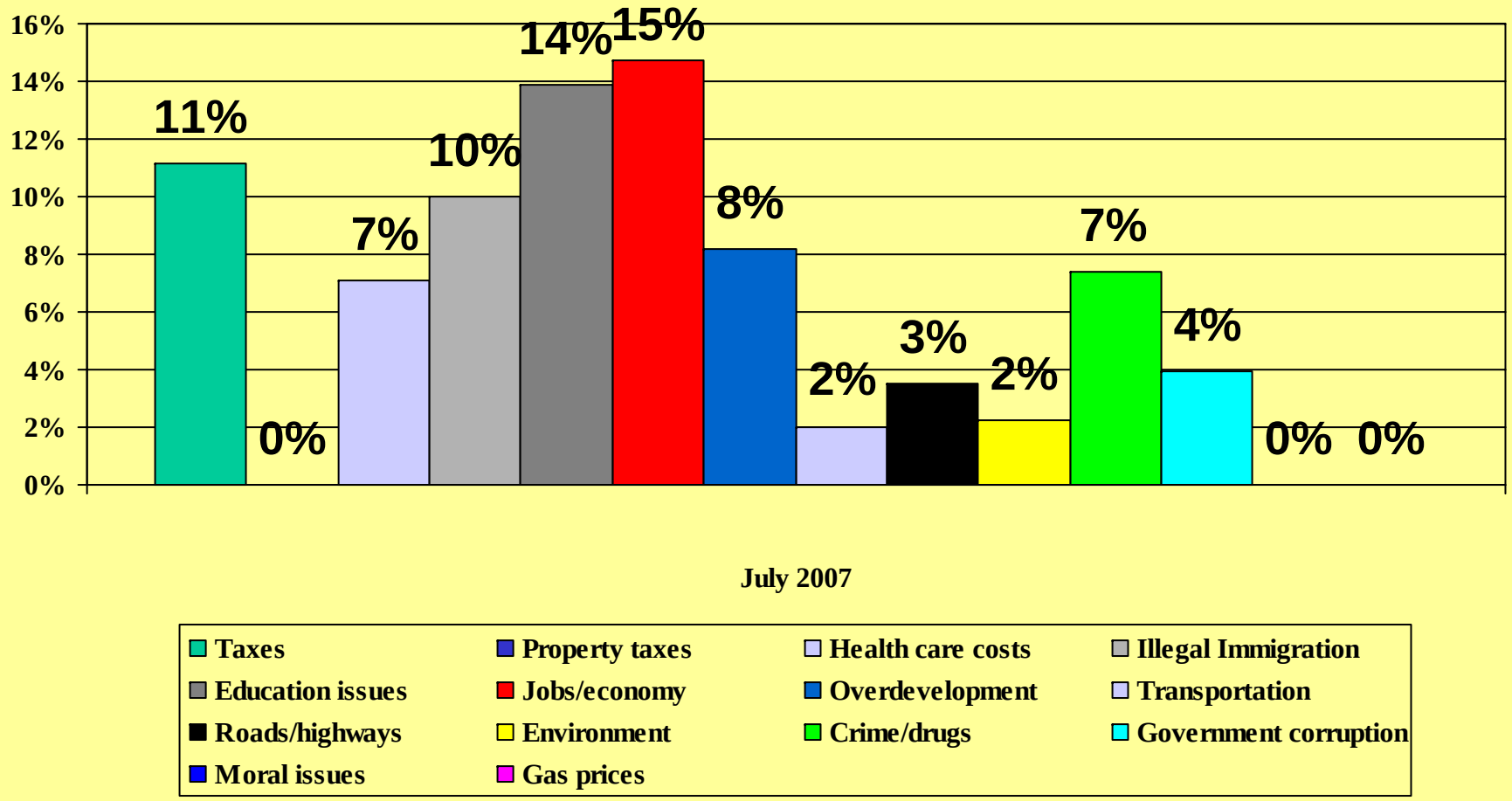
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Do you feel things in North Carolina are generally headed in the right direction or have gotten off on the wrong track?



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What is the most important issue facing your area of North Carolina today, the one that concerns you the most?

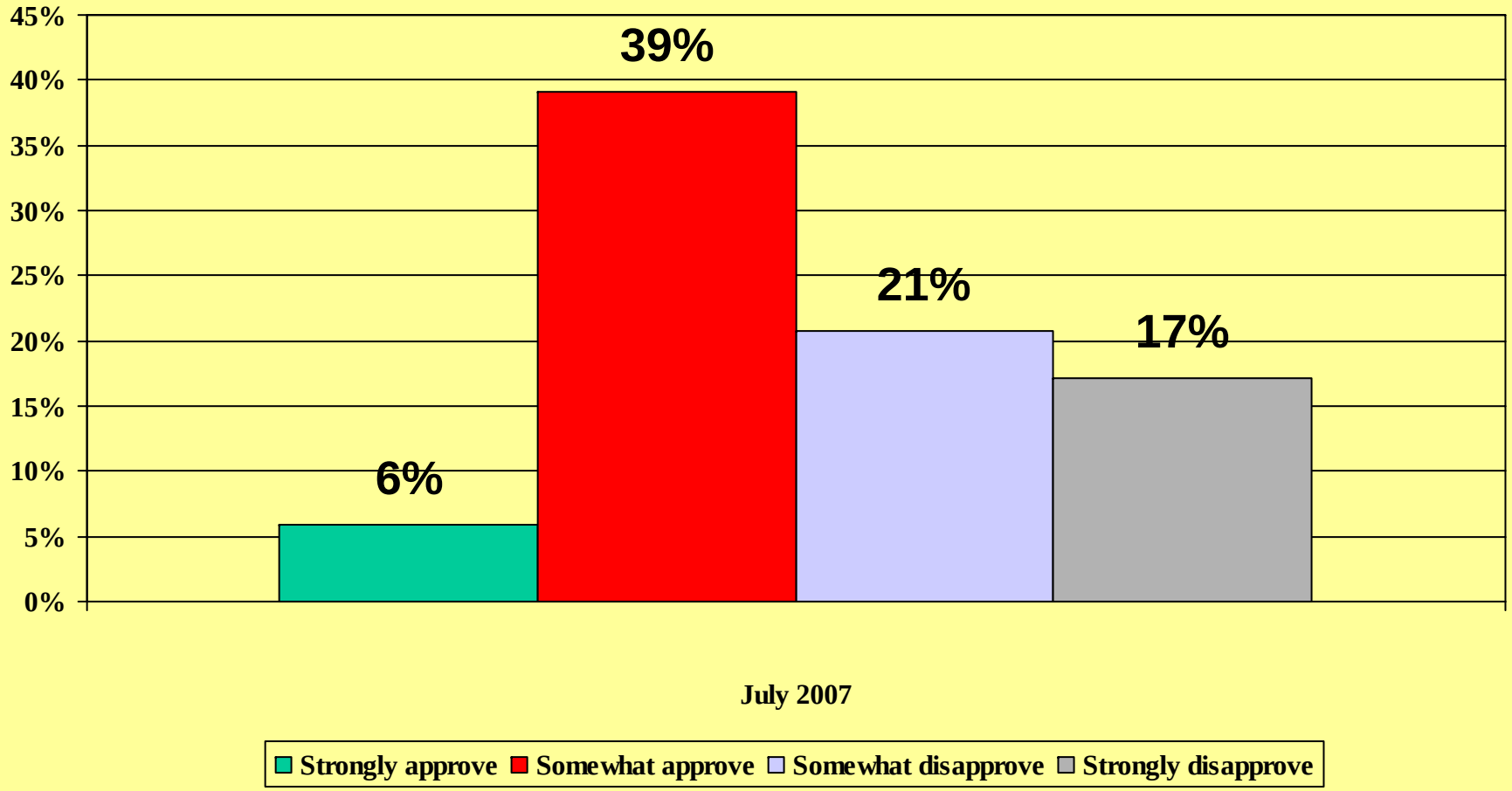


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Which of the following issues or programs needs the most attention from state government:

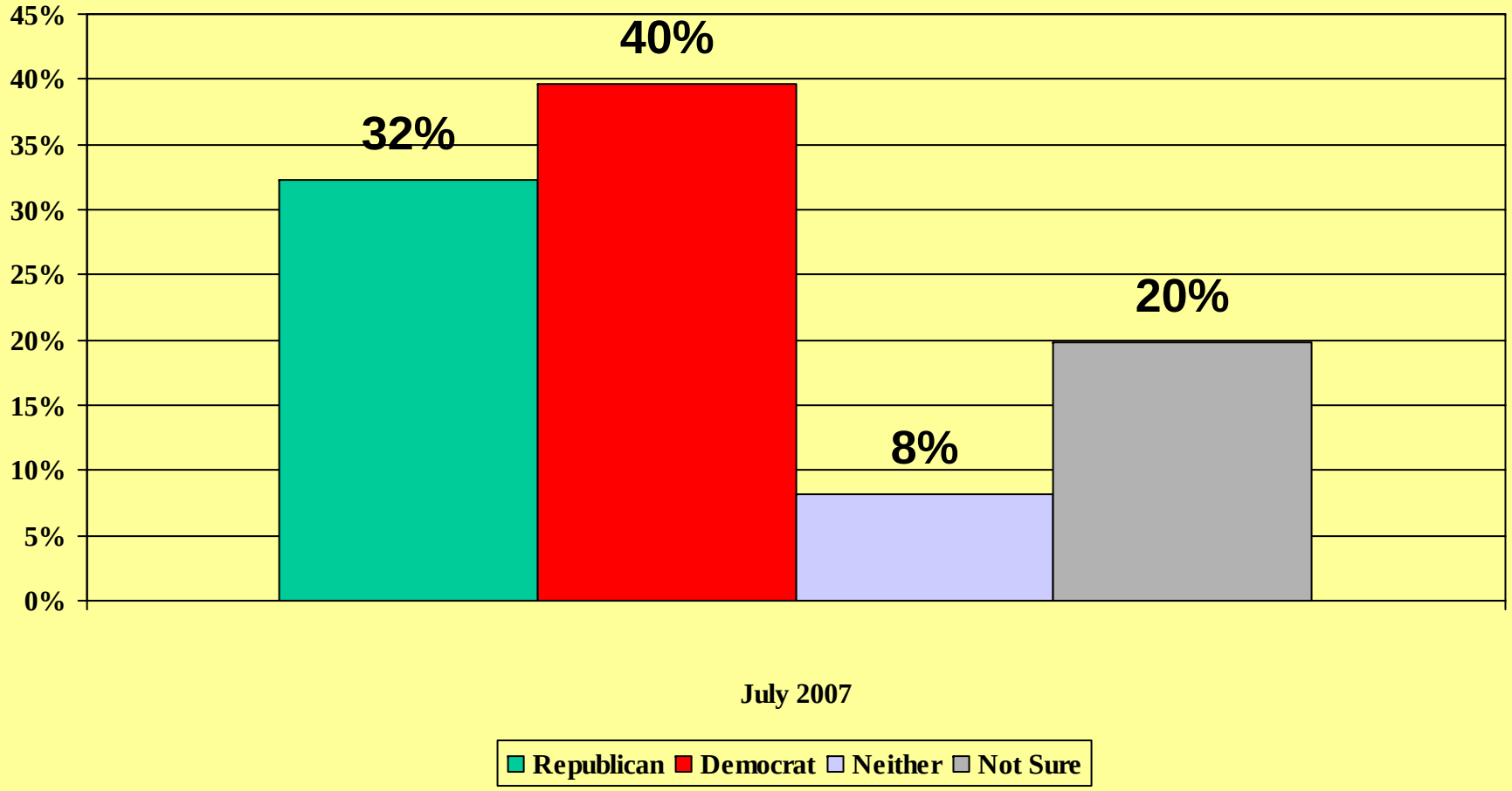
	June'07	July'07
Lower health care costs	21%	7%
Improve public education	21%	14%
Creating jobs	11%	15%
Holding down taxes	13%	11%
Protect the environment	5%	2%
Build new roads/highways	4%	2%
Control immigration	18%	10%

Do you approve or disapprove of the job the North Carolina Legislature is doing?



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If the election for State Legislature were held today, would you be voting:



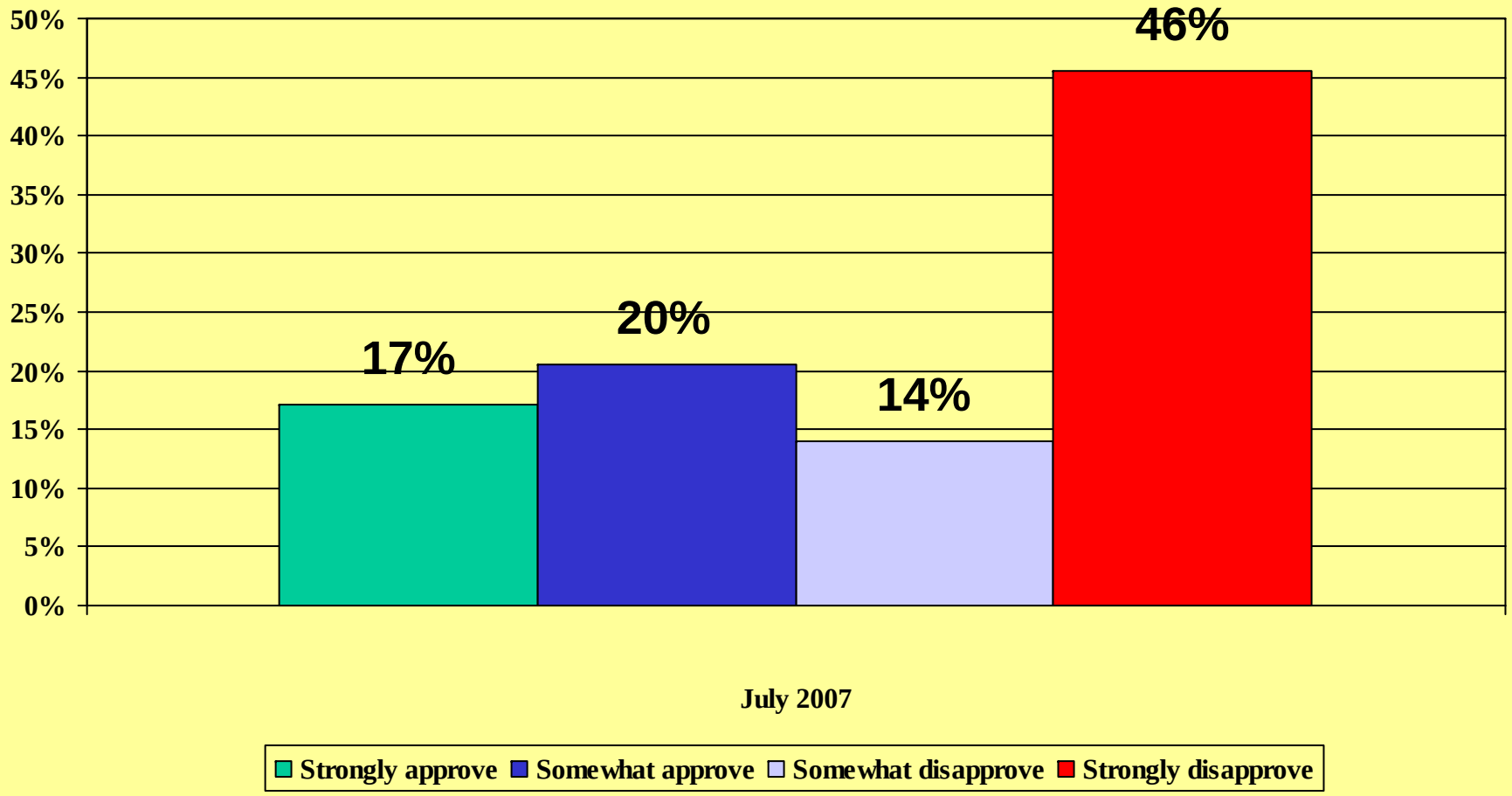
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If the election for State Legislature were held today, would you be voting: January 2006 – June 2007

		Feb 07	April 07	May 07	June 07	July 07
•	Republican	32%	34%	31%	32%	32%
•	Democrat	40%	40%	37%	41%	40%
•	Neither	8%	8%	9%	5%	8%
•	Not sure	20%	18%	23%	22%	20%

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Thinking about national issues, do you approve or disapprove of the job George W. Bush is doing as President?



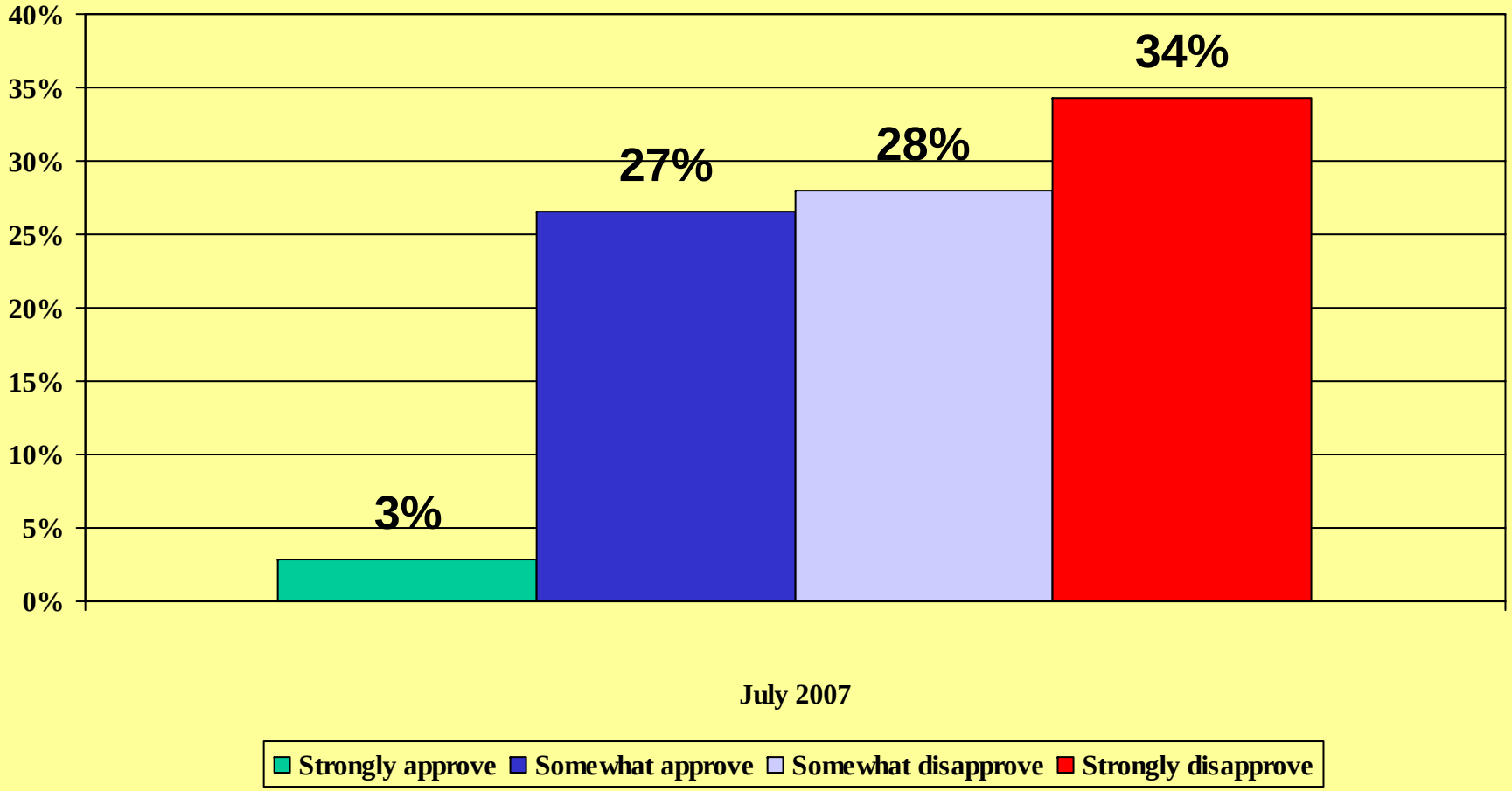
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Trends: President Bush

	Approve	Disapprove	Margin
• April	41 %	55 %	-14
• May	39 %	57 %	-18
• June	36 %	58 %	-22
• July	38 %	60 %	-22

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Do you approve or disapprove of the job Congress is doing?

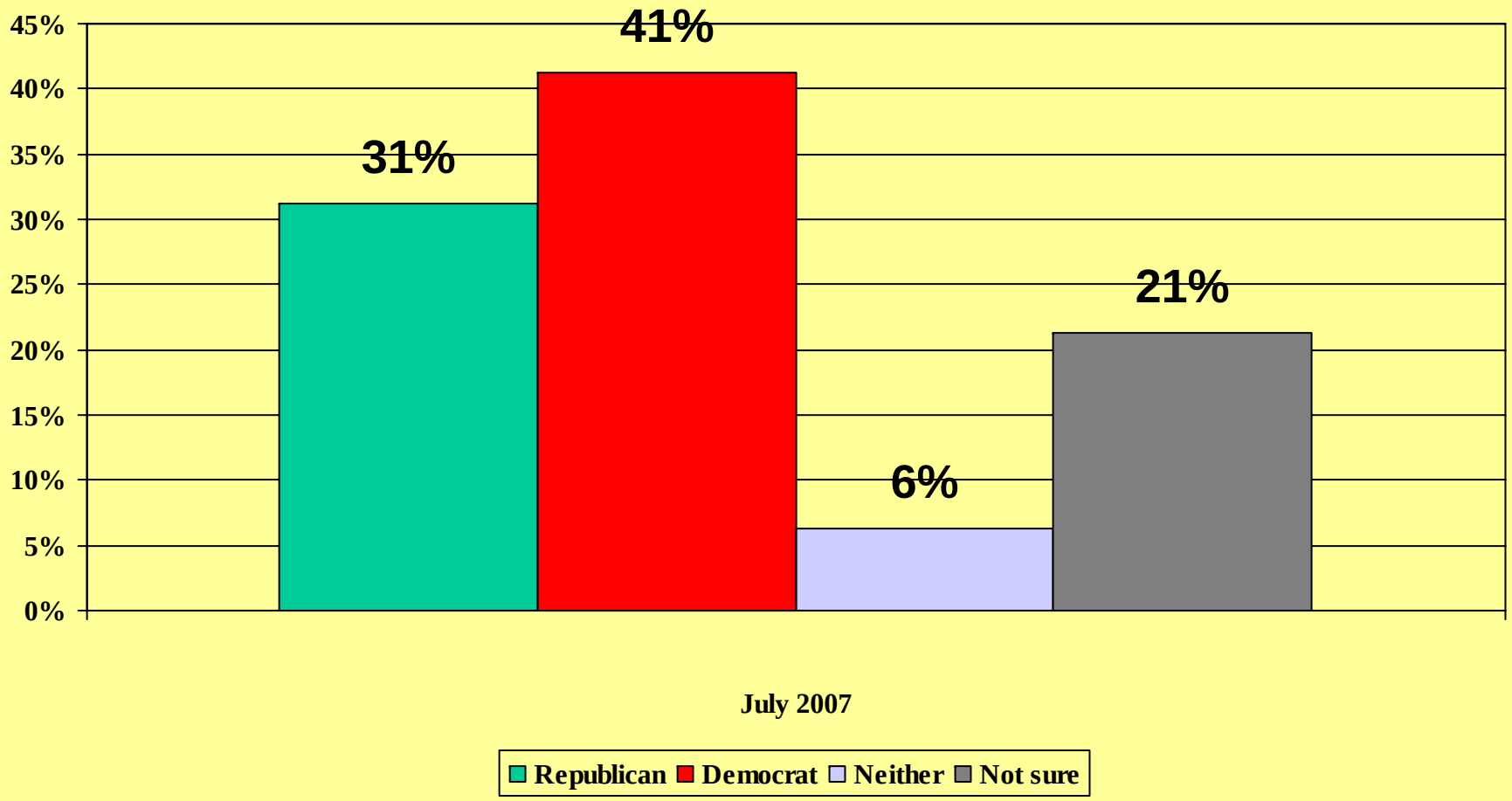


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Approval : Bush vs. Congress

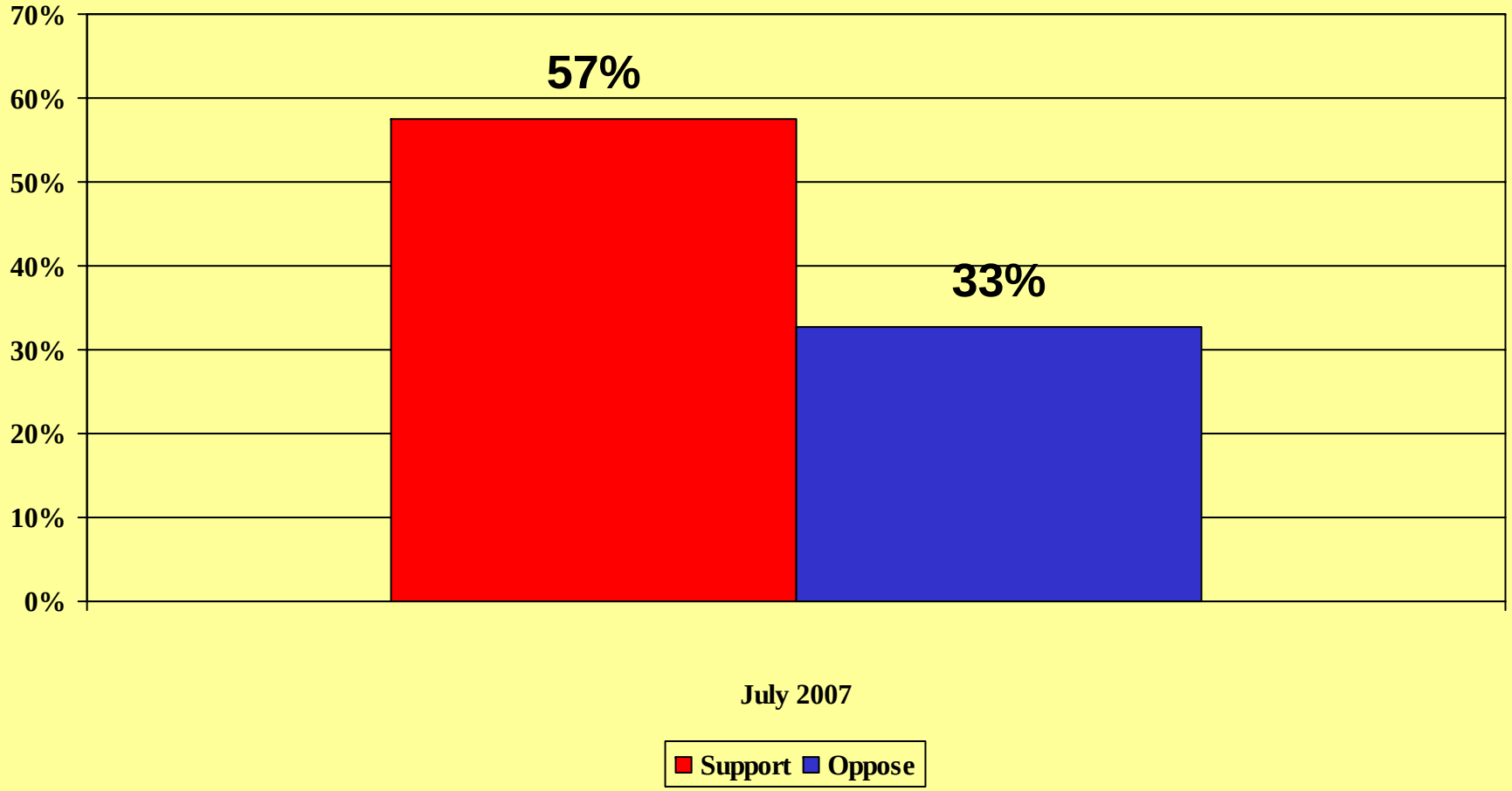
June		July	
Bush	36%	Bush	**38**%
Congress	30%	Congress	**29**%

If the 2008 congressional elections were being held today, would you be voting:



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Do you support or oppose Congress passing legislation that would set a timetable for the withdrawal of American troops from Iraq within the next year and also provide full funding for the troops presently fighting in Iraq?



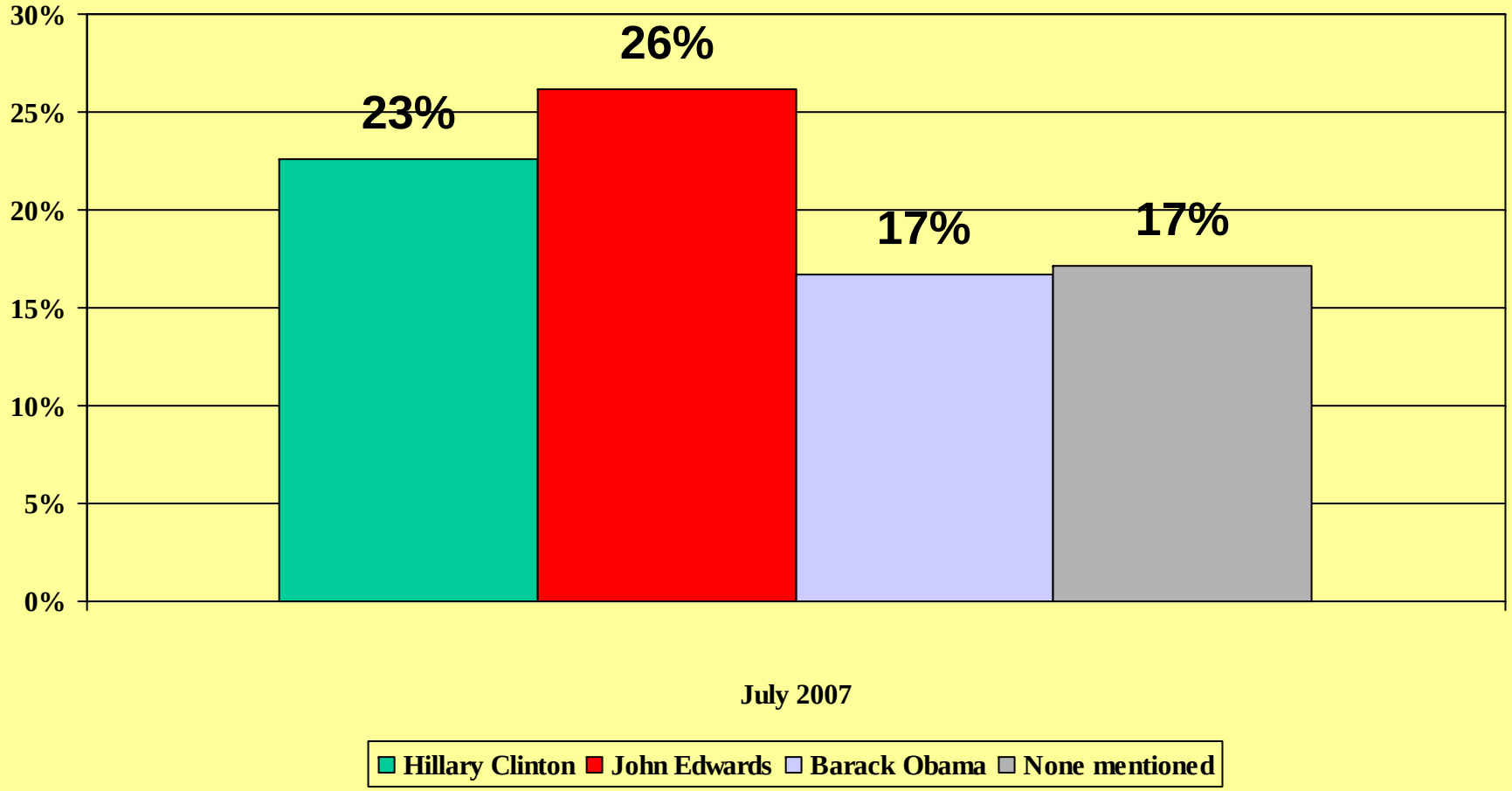
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Do you support or oppose Congress passing legislation that would set a timetable for the withdrawal of American troops from Iraq within the next year and also provide full funding for the troops presently fighting in Iraq?

	Approve	Disapprove
April	46%	42%
July	57%	33%

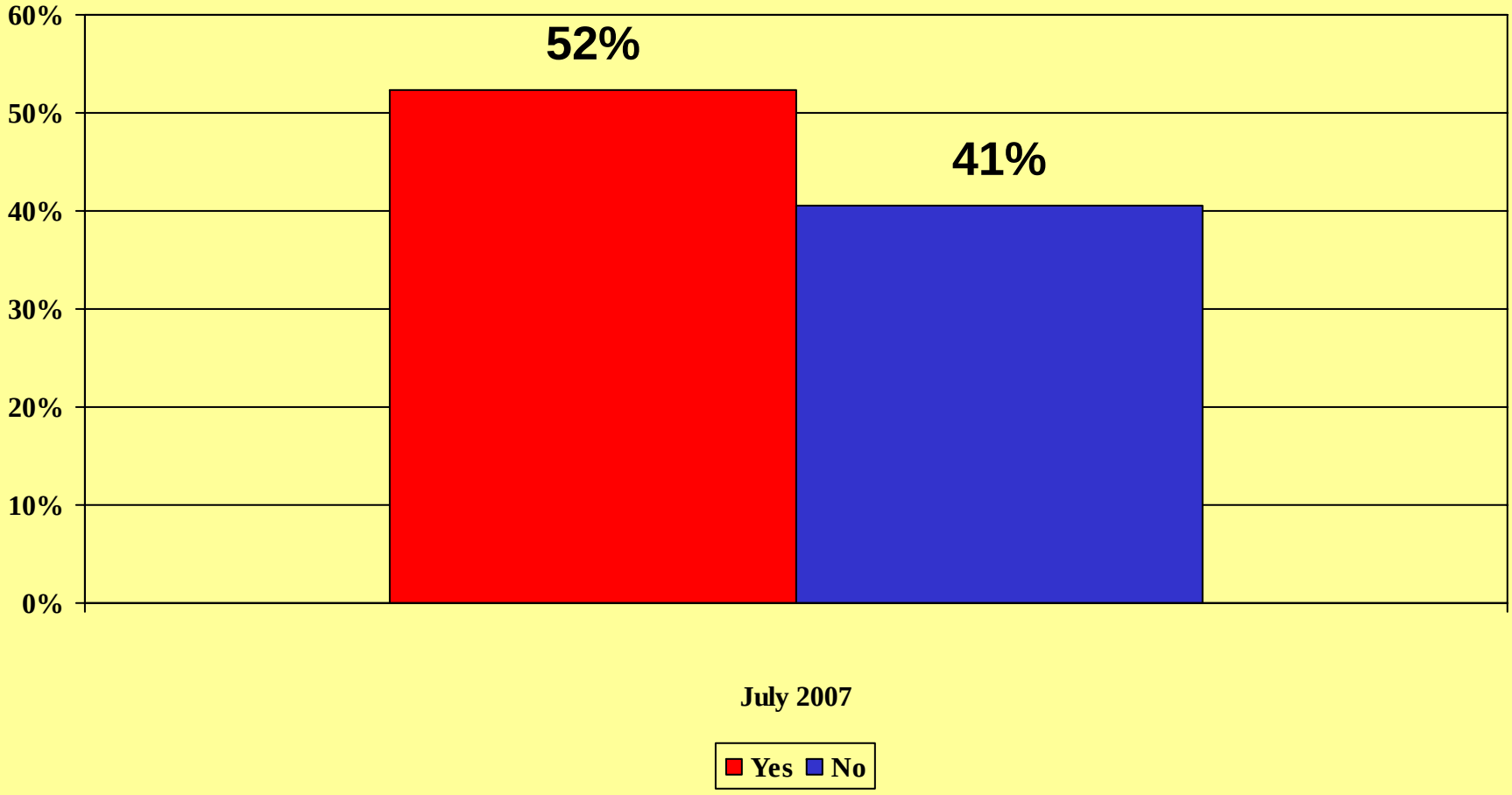
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If the 2008 Democrat primary election for President were held today, which of the following Democrats would you vote for:



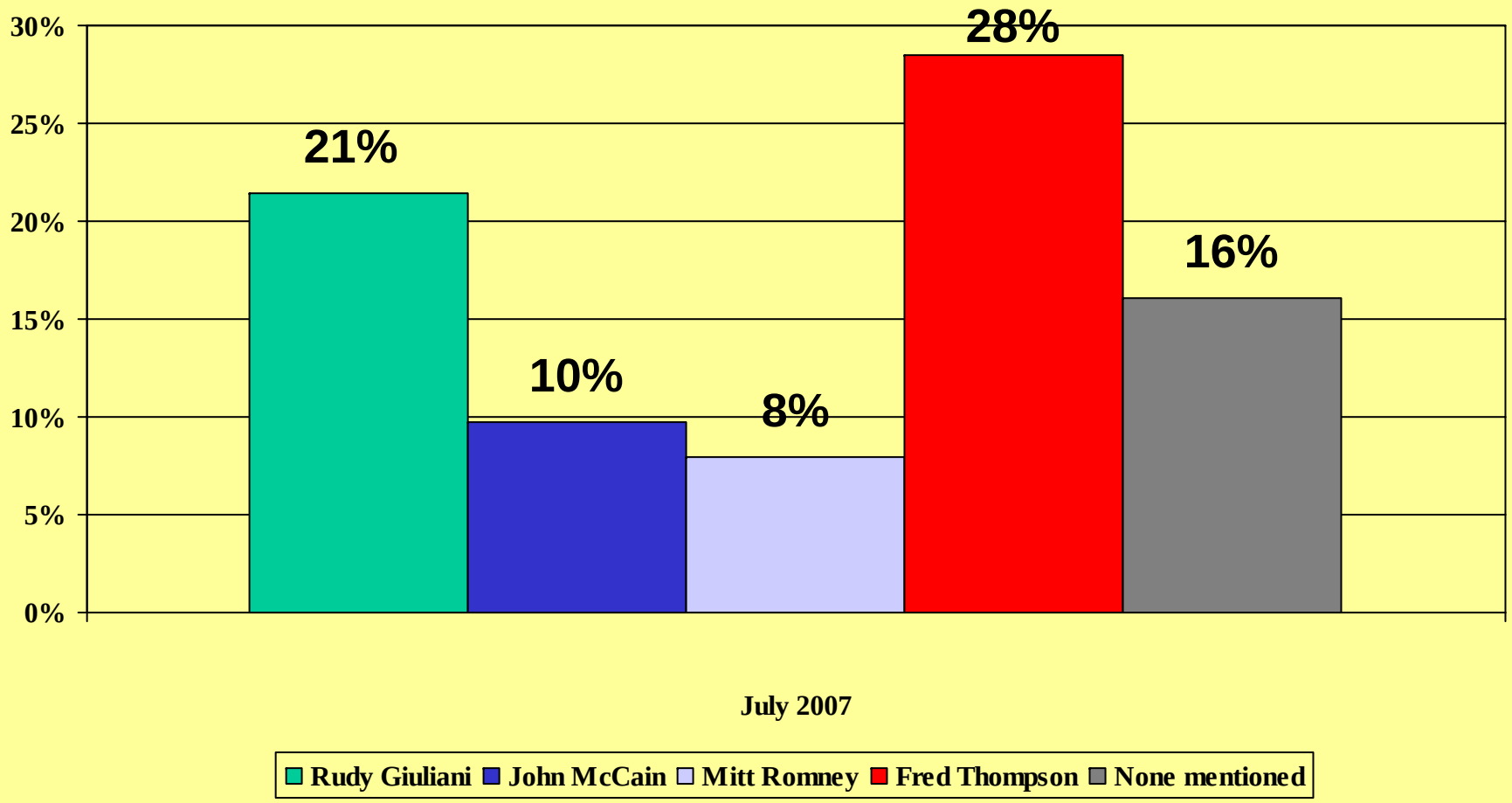
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Do you feel strongly enough about Hilary Clinton that you would not vote for her regardless of who the Republican candidate was?



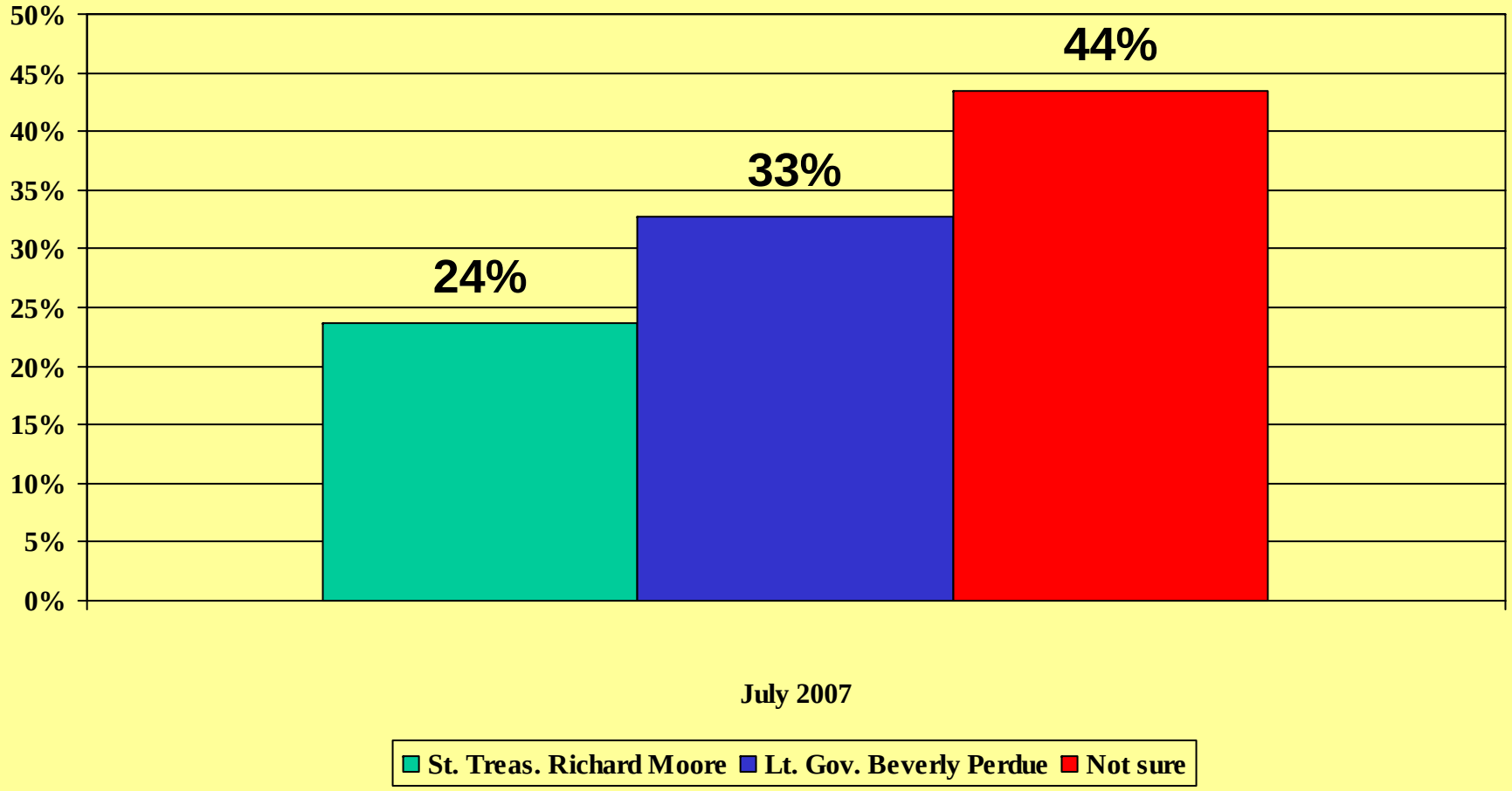
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If the 2008 Republican primary election for President were held today, which of the following Republicans would you vote for:



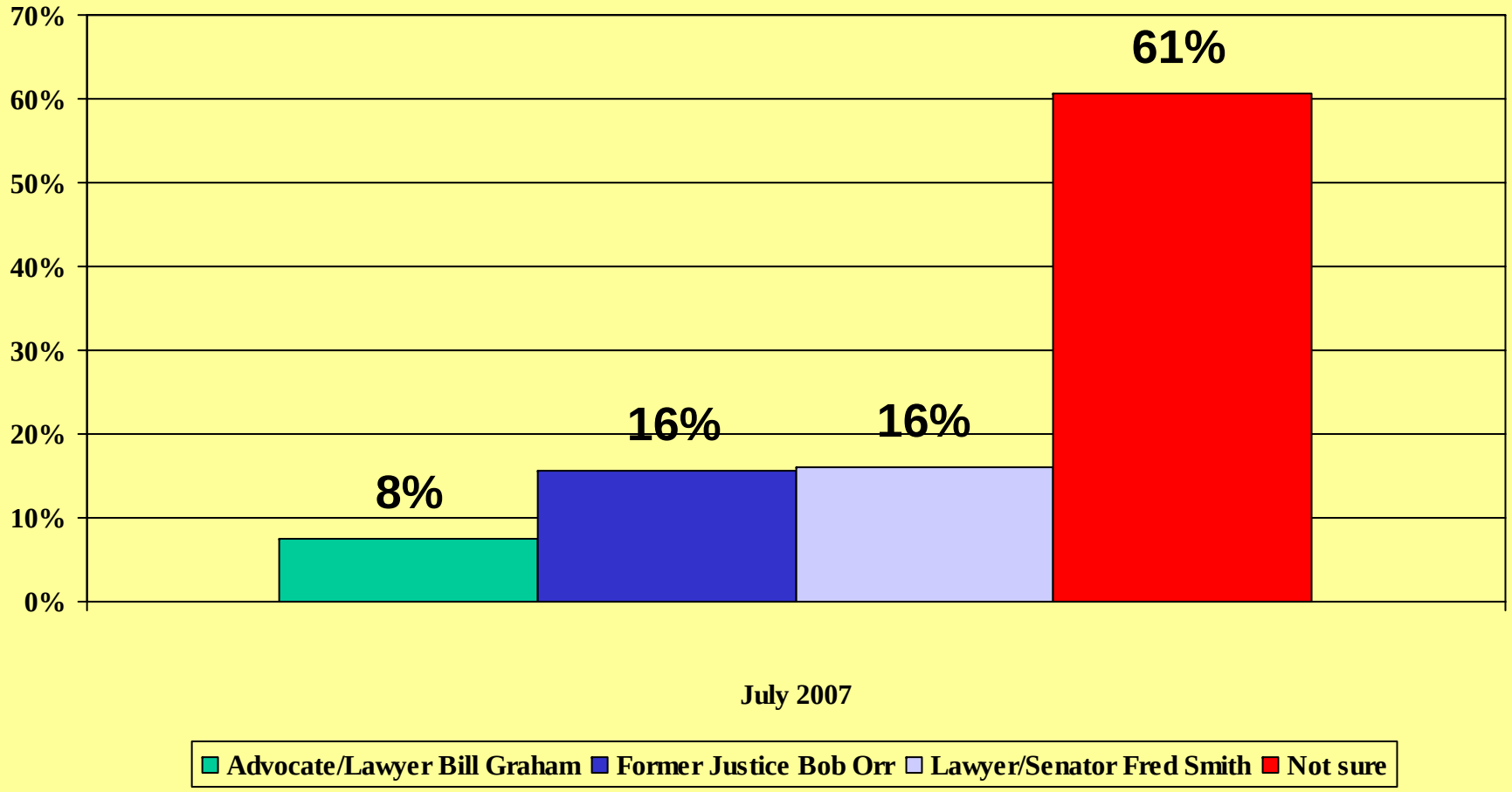
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If the Democrat primary election for Governor were held today, would you be voting for:



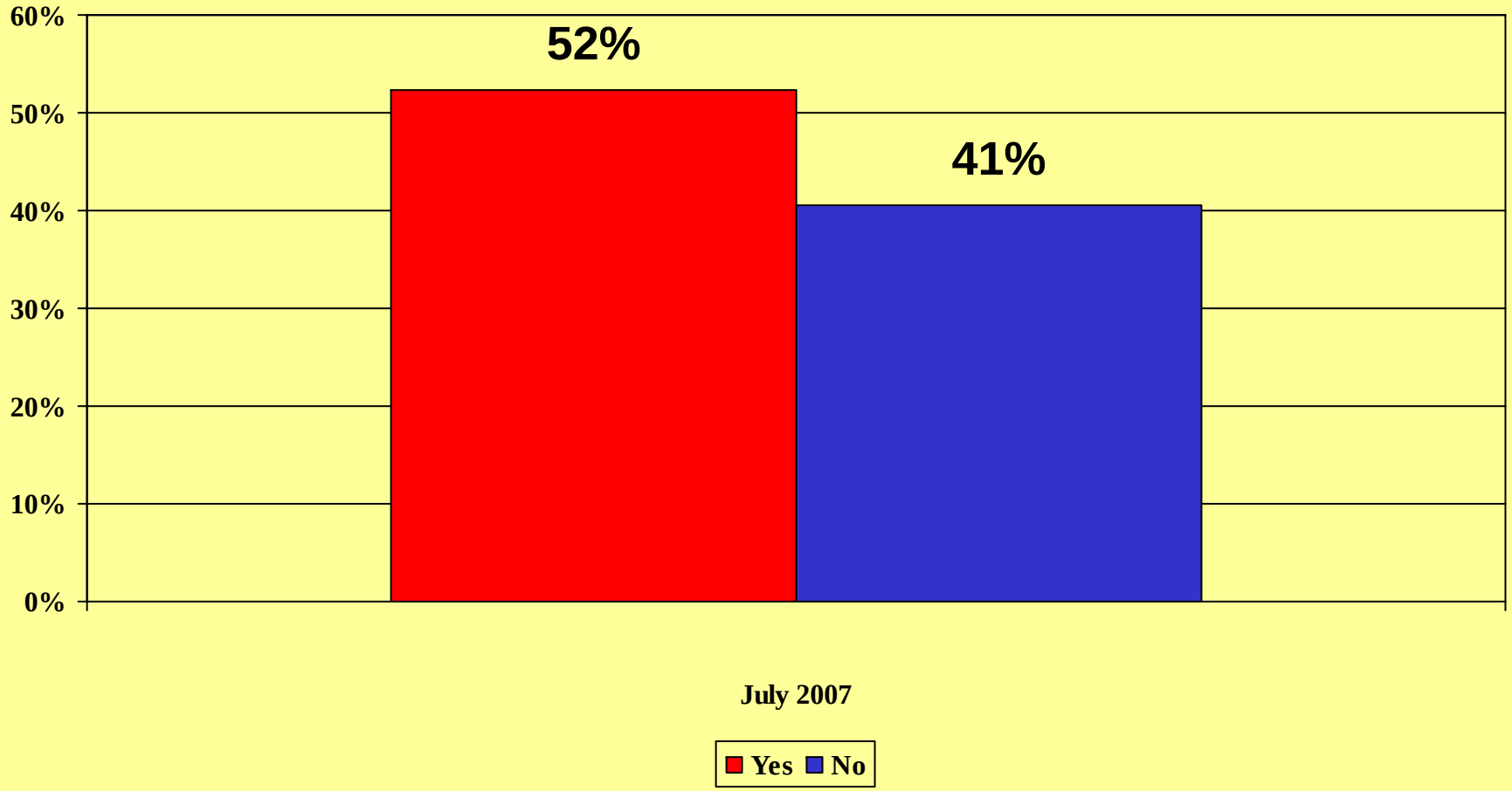
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If the Republican primary election for Governor were held today, would you be voting for:



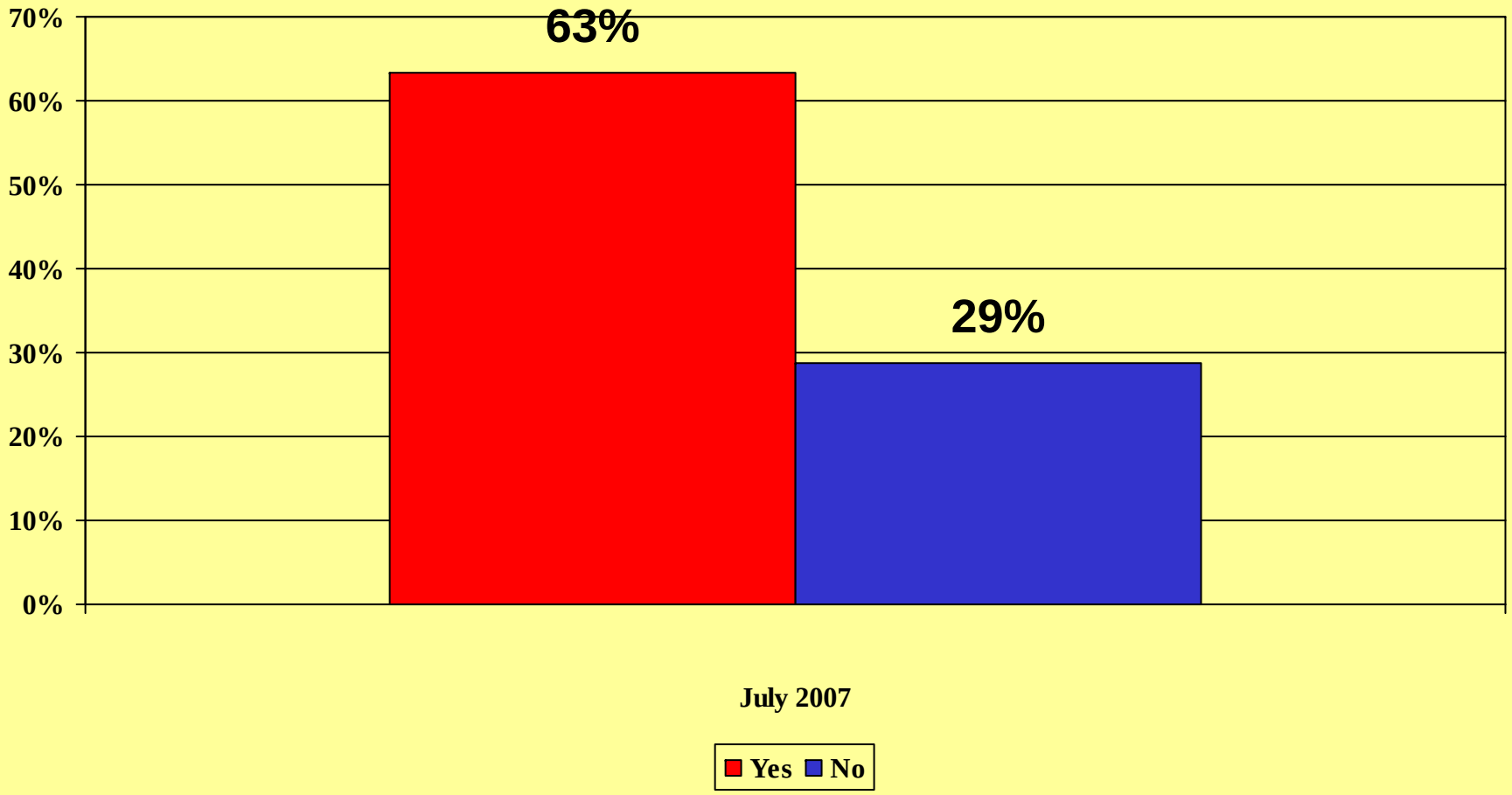
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If your State Legislator voted to give counties new taxing authority including the power to raise the local sales tax, would you consider this a vote to raise taxes by your State Legislators?



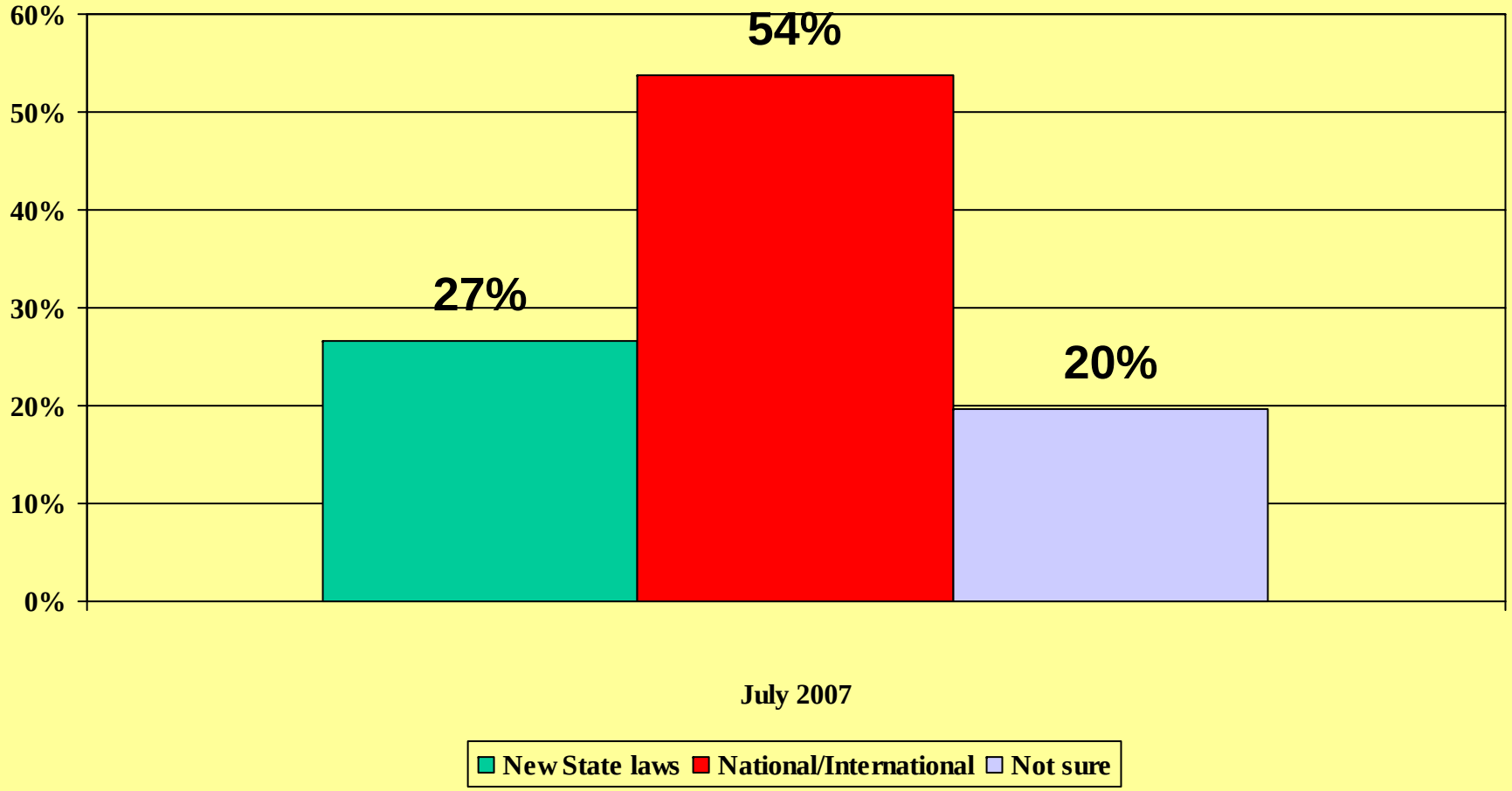
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Do you believe global warming is a threat to North Carolinians?



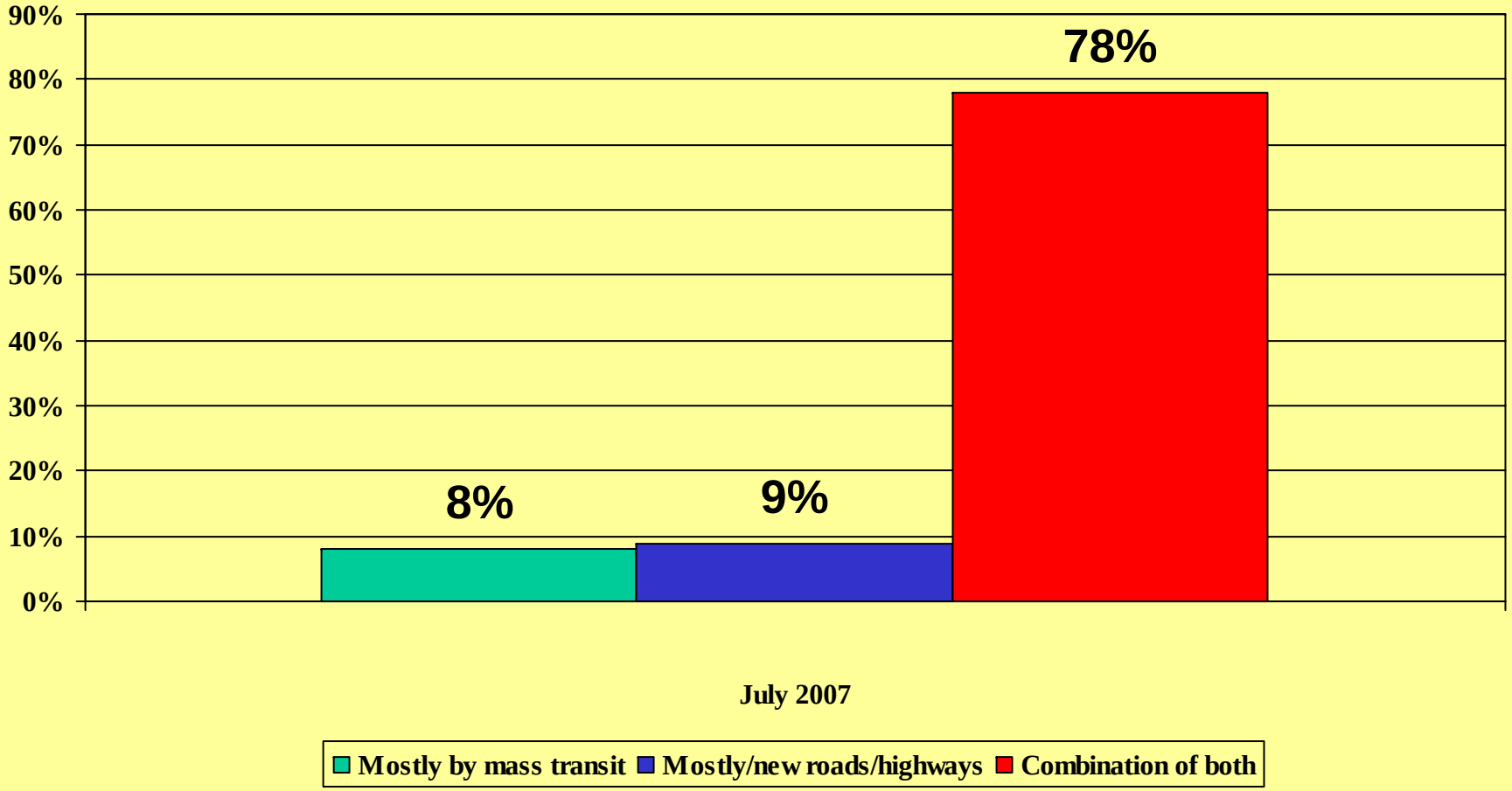
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Do you think State government should enact new laws to control global warming in North Carolina or is it a problem that can best be solved through national and international action?



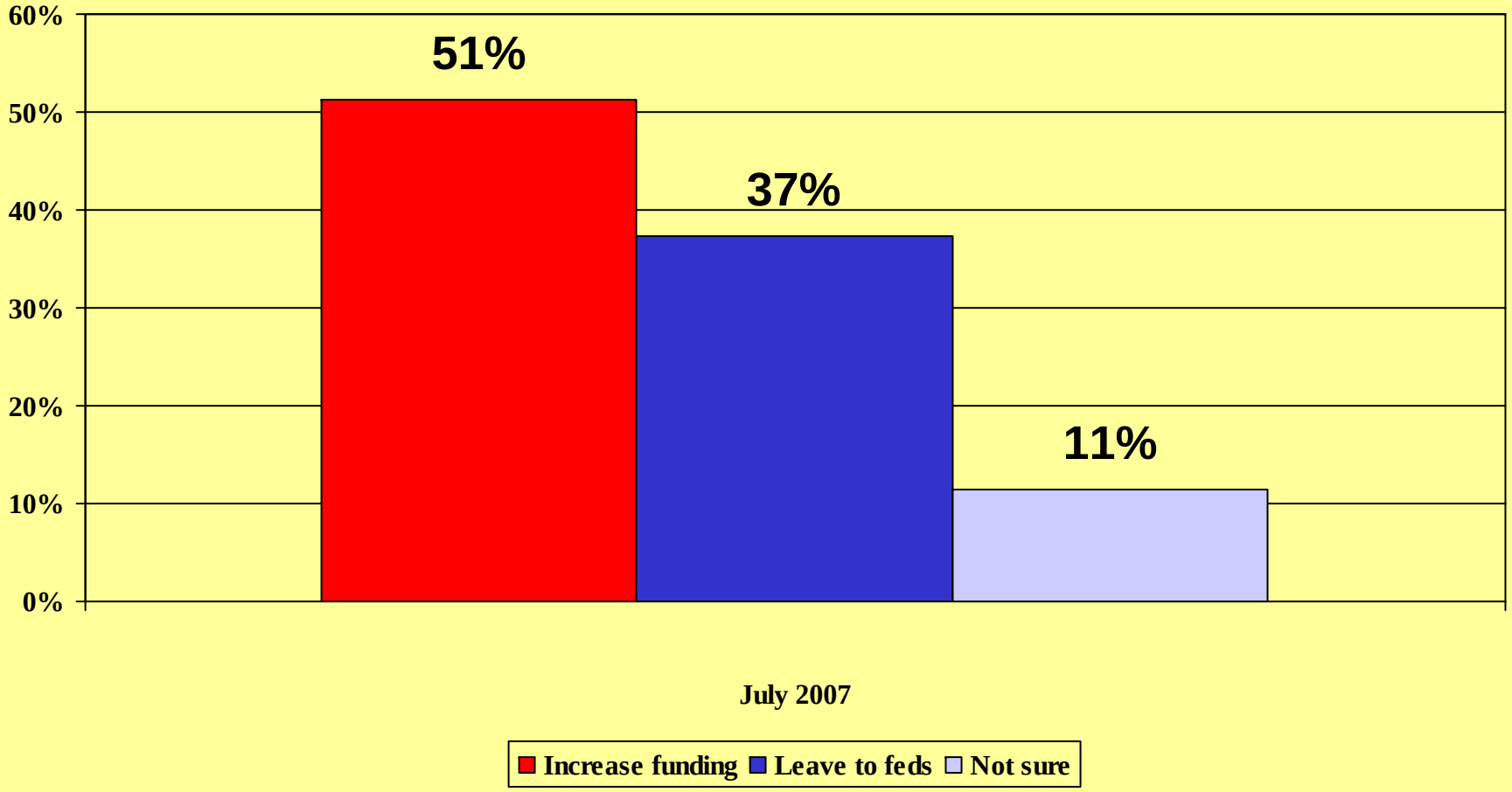
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Should traffic congestion and related problems be solved:



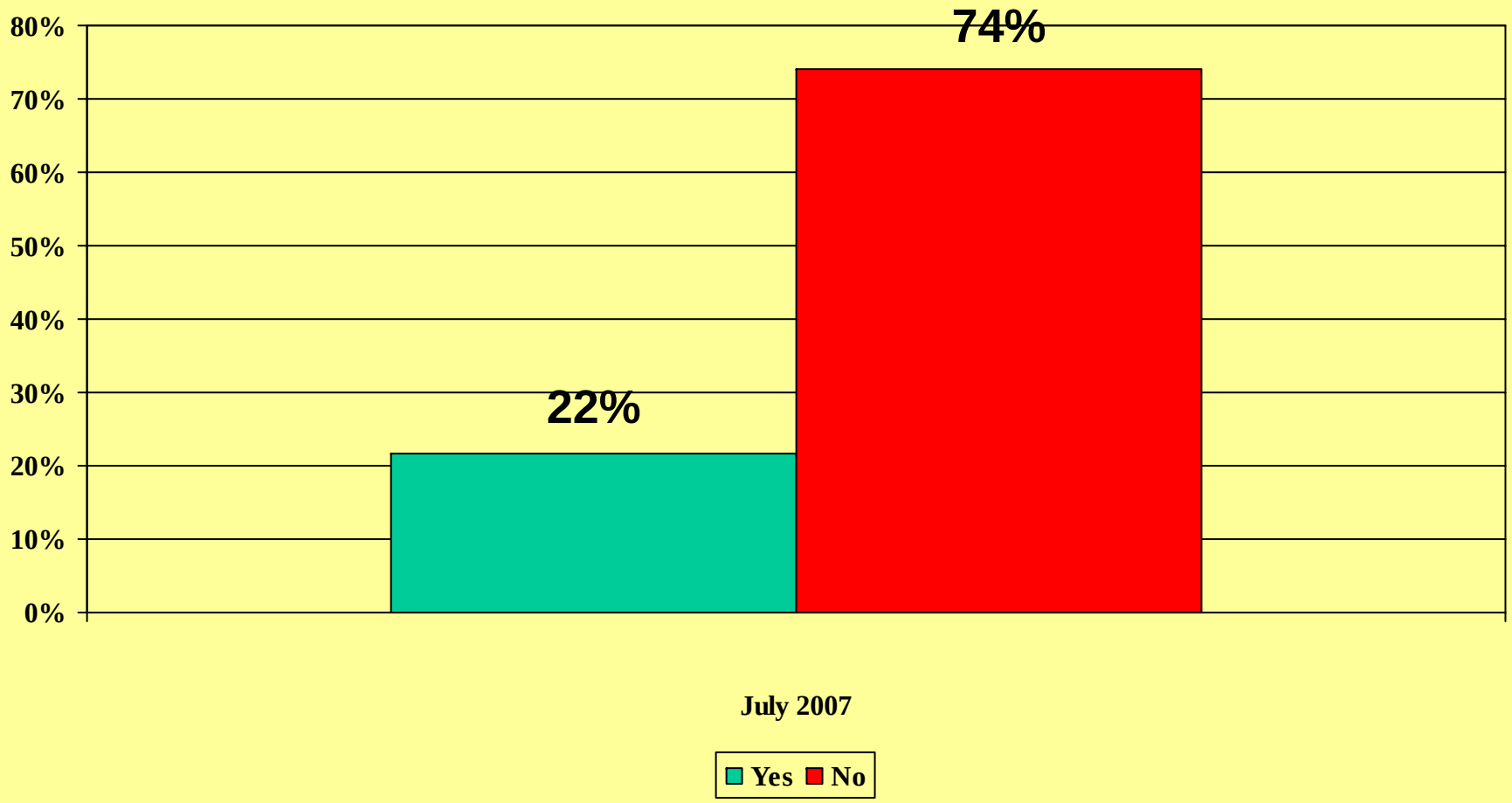
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Should local law enforcement agencies receive increased state funding to train officers to handle cases specifically dealing with illegal immigrants or should those duties and costs be left in the hands of the federal government?



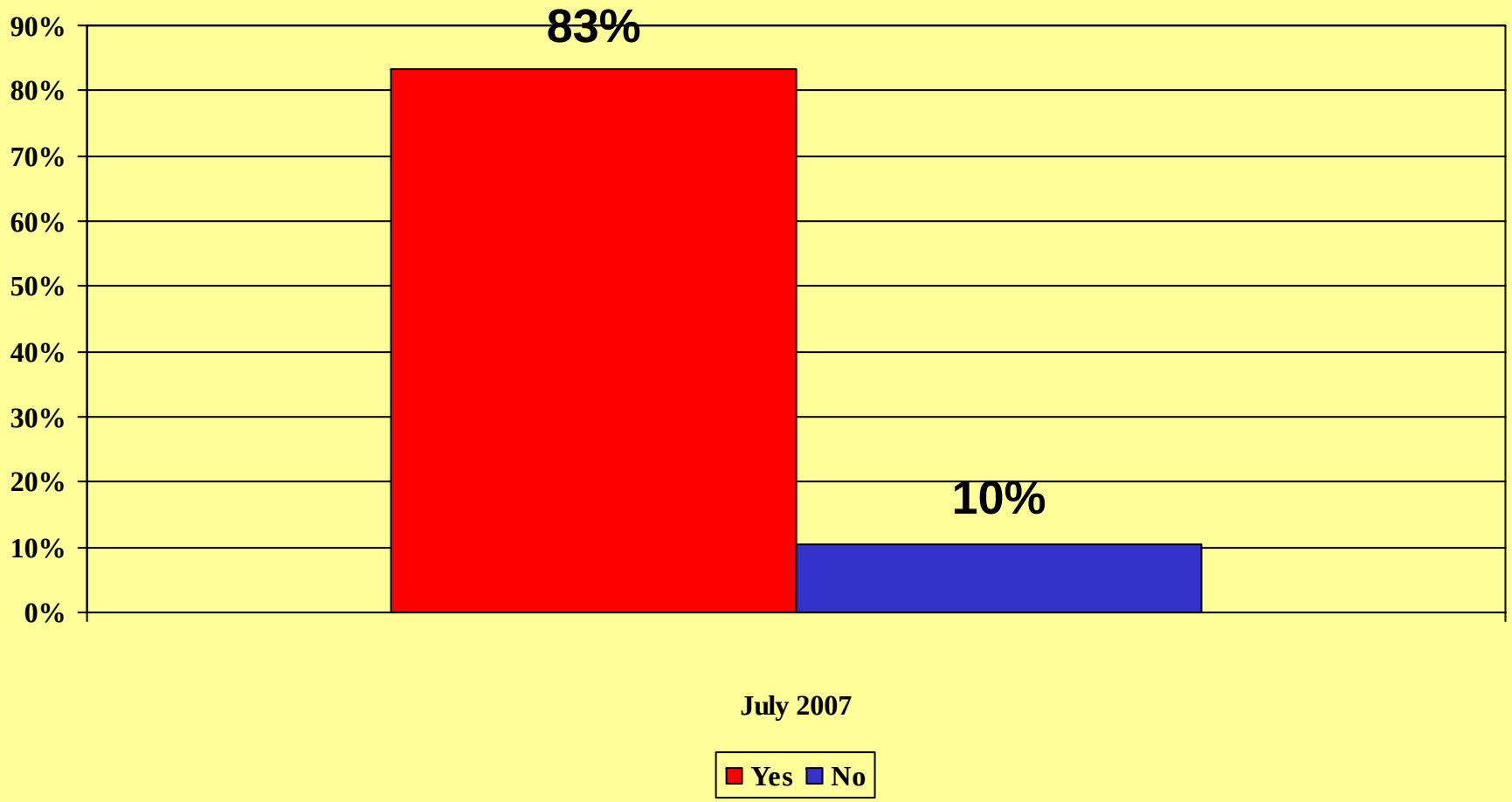
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Would you support a State program that would provide clean needles to illegal drug users using taxpayer dollars?



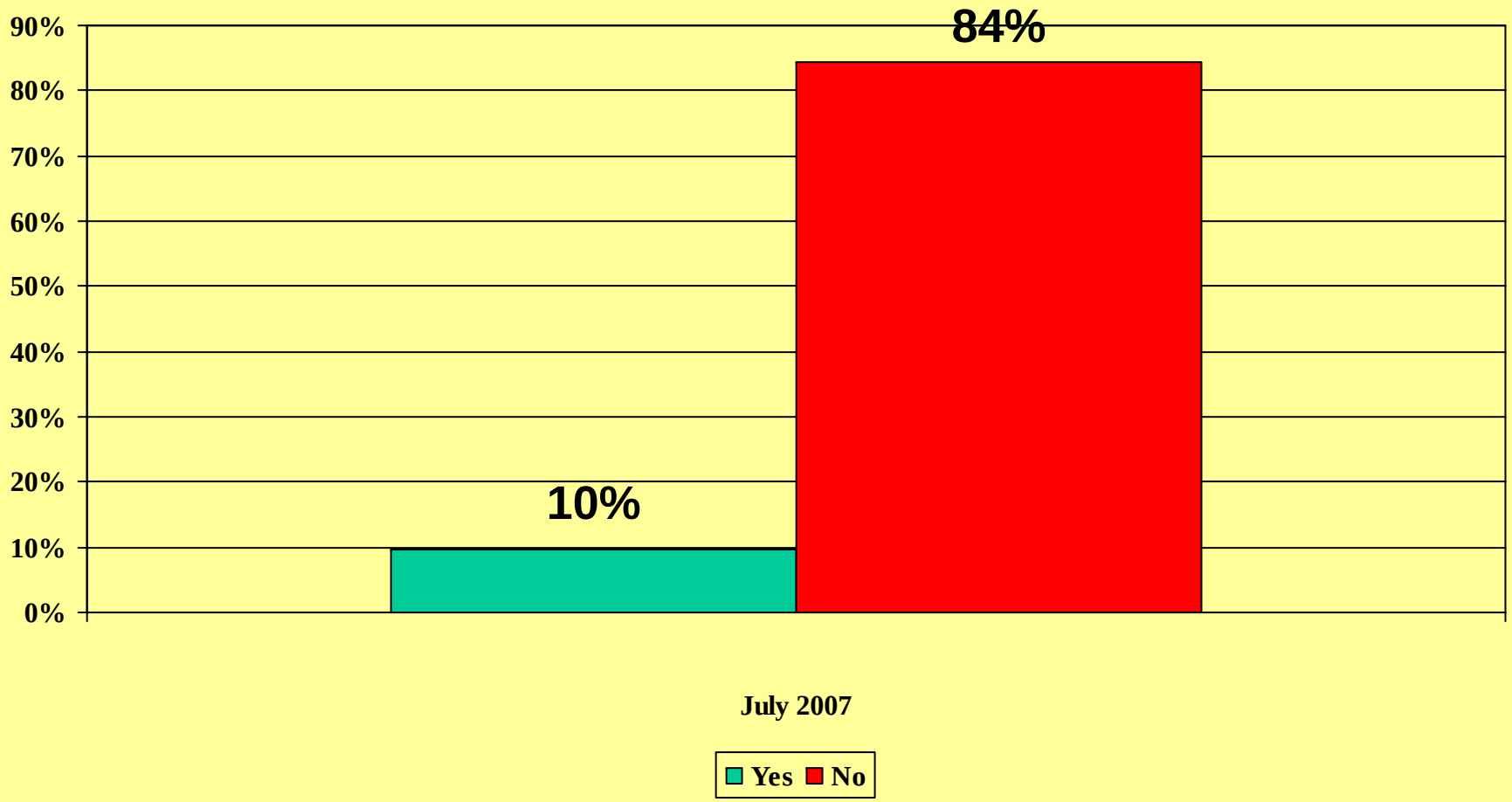
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Do you support tax credits for parents of children with special needs so they can be sent to private schools if it would not cost government any additional funding?



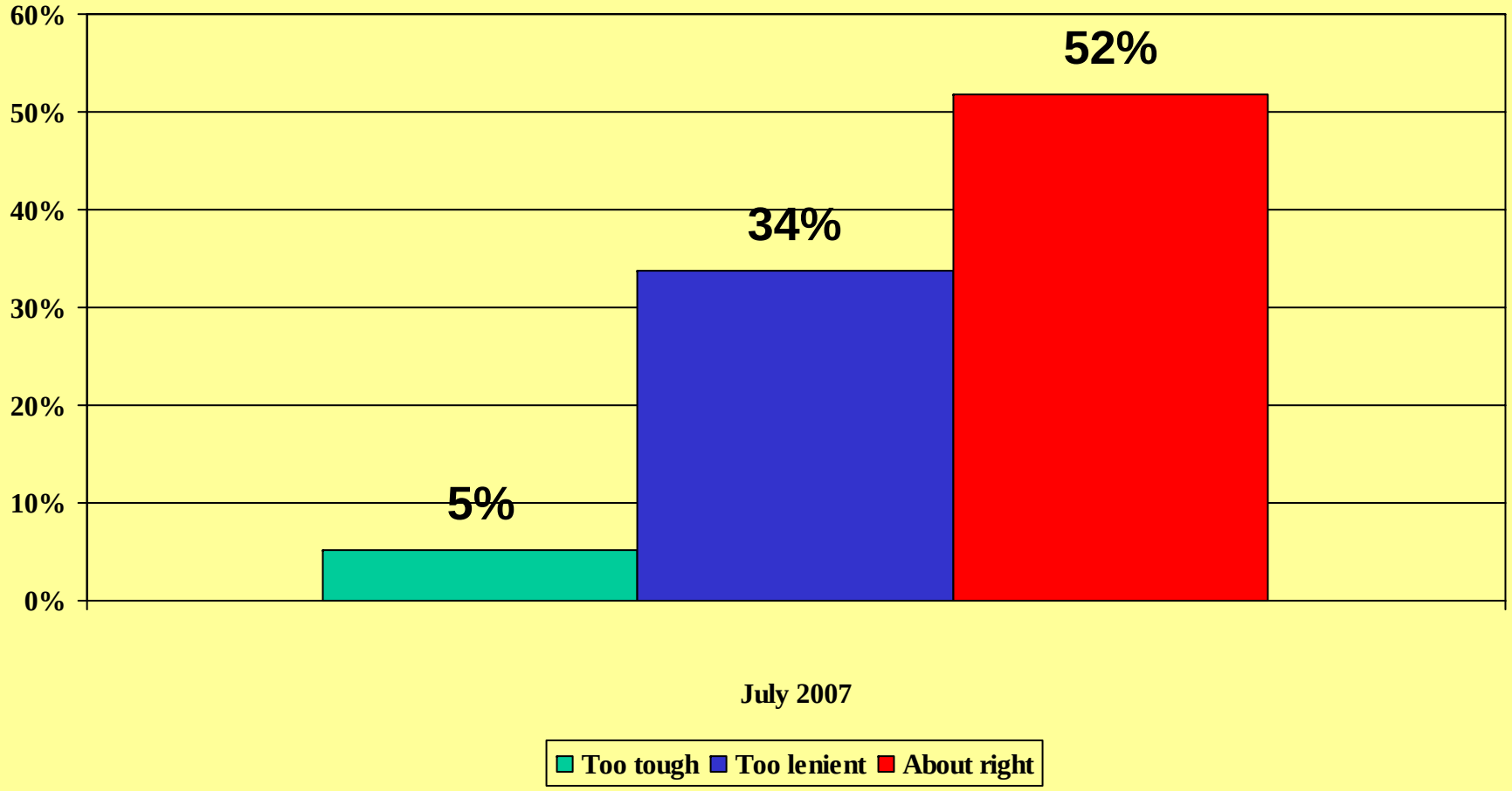
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Should the State use taxpayer dollars to fund political campaigns for Council of State elections, such as Insurance Commissioner and State Auditor?



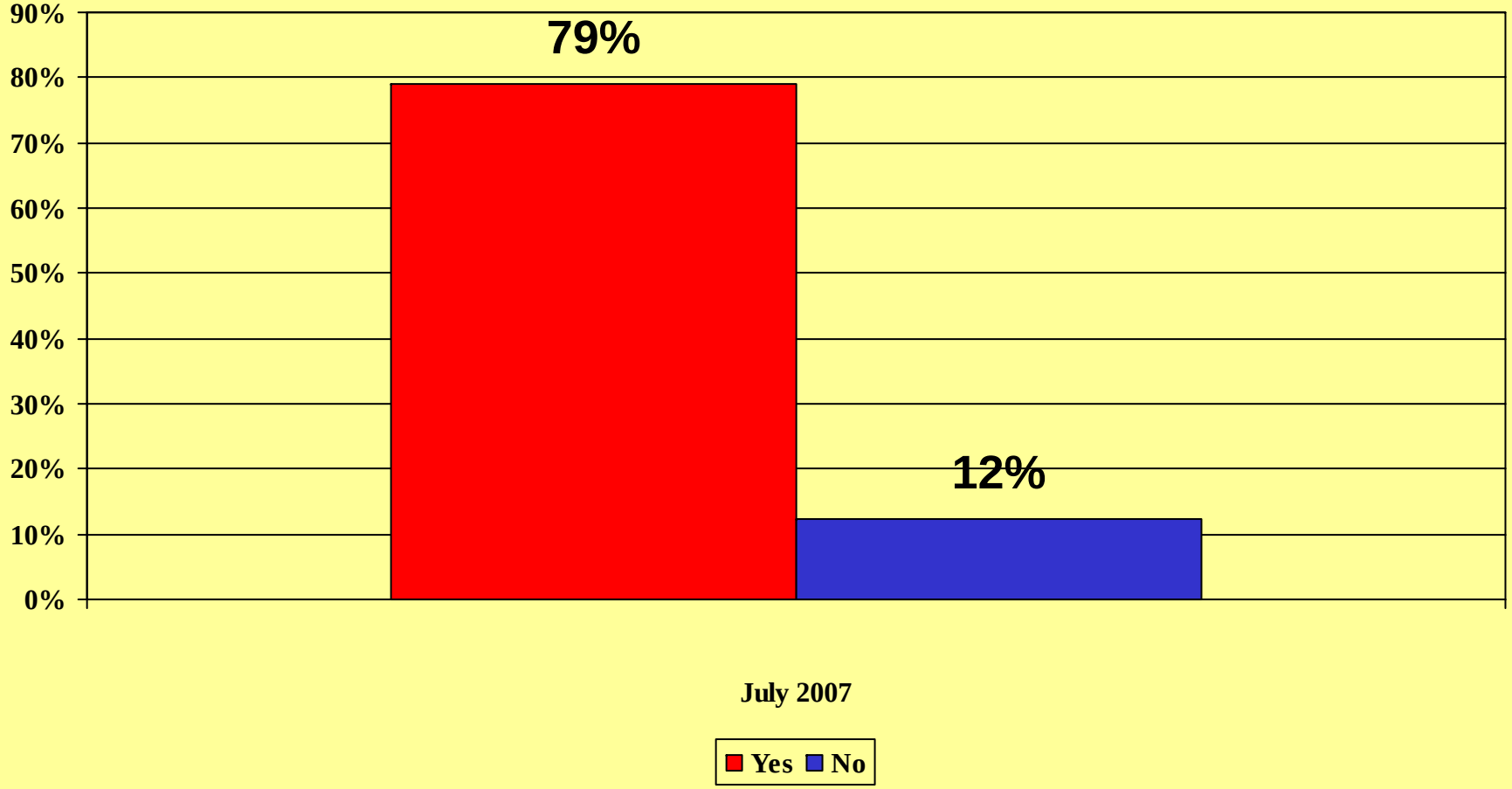
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A Federal judge has sentenced former Speaker Jim Black to five years in prison after prosecutors had recommended ten years for admitting to corruption charges. Is this five year sentence too tough, too lenient or about right?



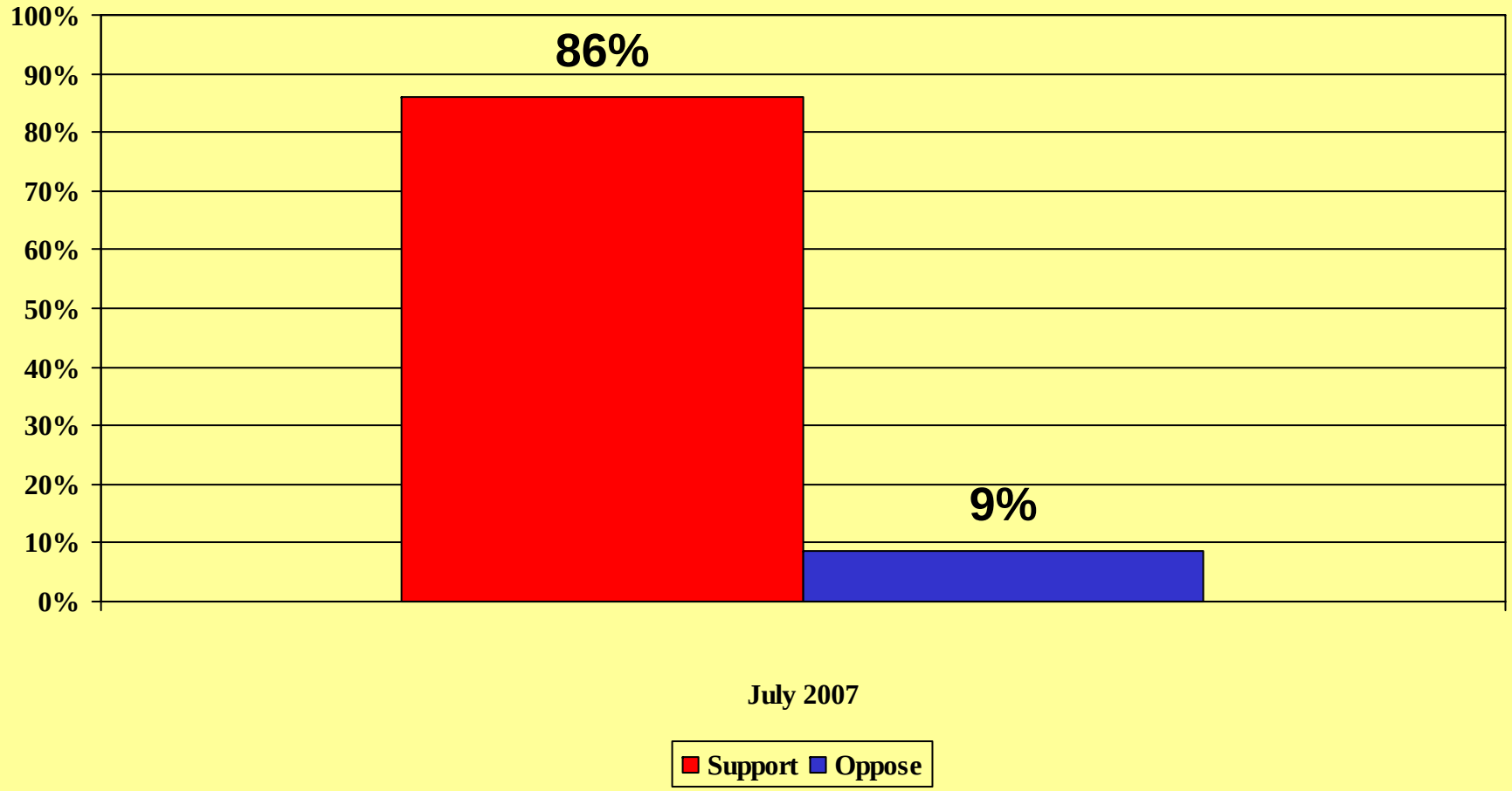
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Former Speaker Jim Black gave over $350,000 to other candidates and elected officials. In light of Jim Black being sentenced to five years in prison on corruption charges by taking illegal payments for promoting legislation, should candidates who received money from him donate these funds to charity?



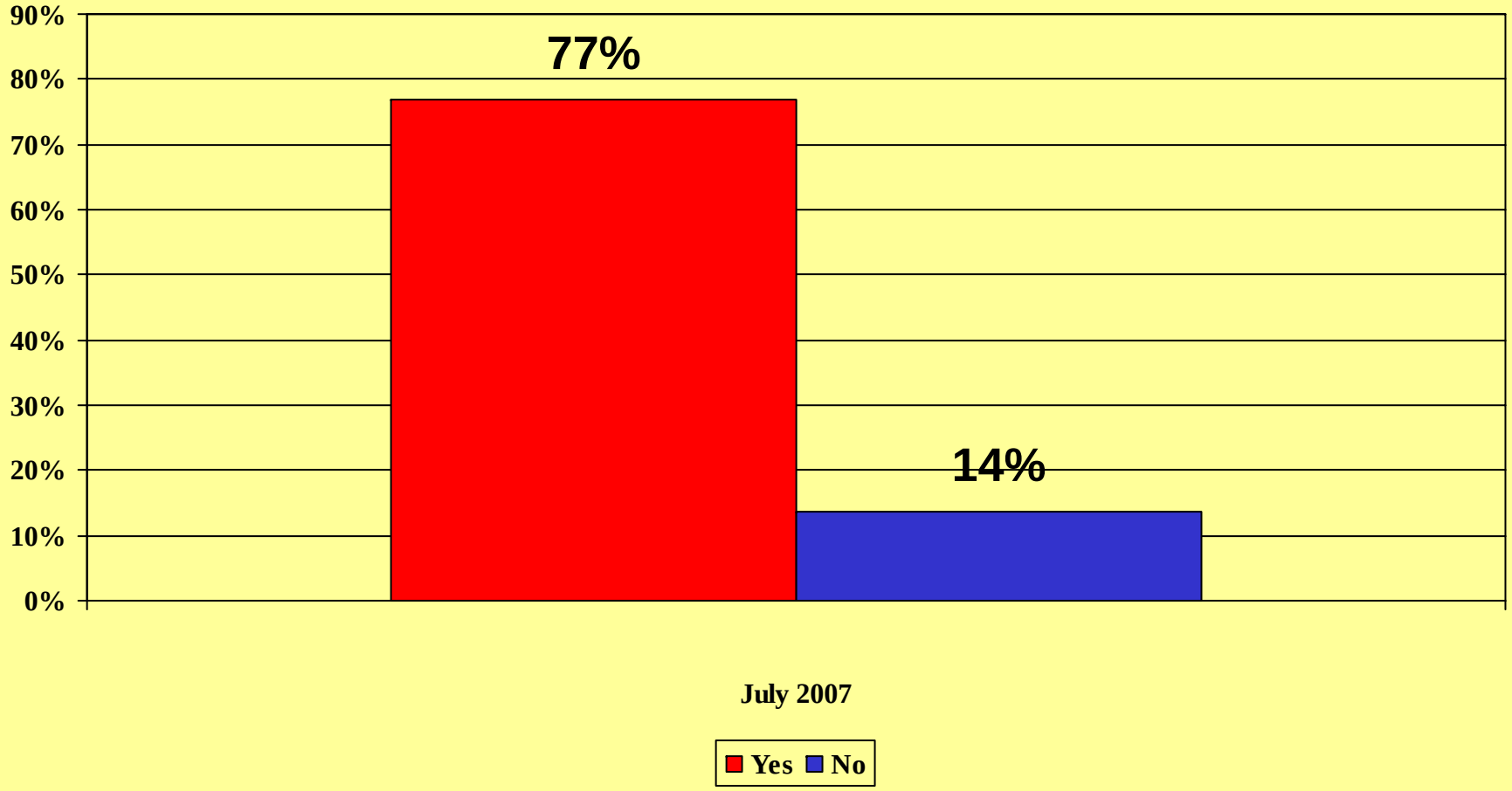
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Do you support or oppose allowing North Carolina residents to buy health insurance from companies outside the state if policies in other states are less expensive?



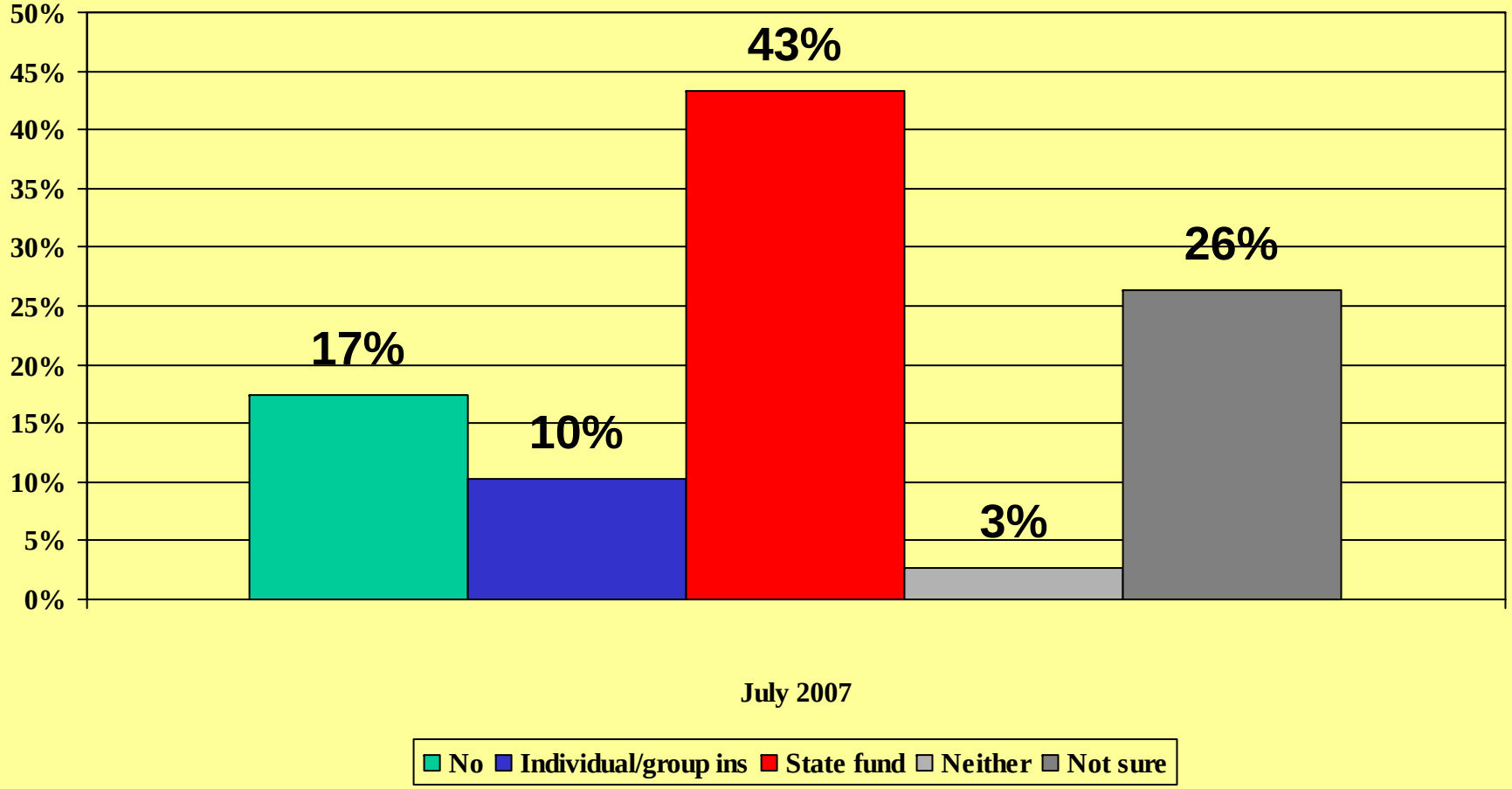
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North Carolina law mandates that health insurance policies in the State pay for items like pastoral counseling, drug abuse treatment and alcoholism treatment raising insurance premiums by 41%. Should North Carolinians have the right to tailor their policies to their own needs to reduce the cost of the coverage?



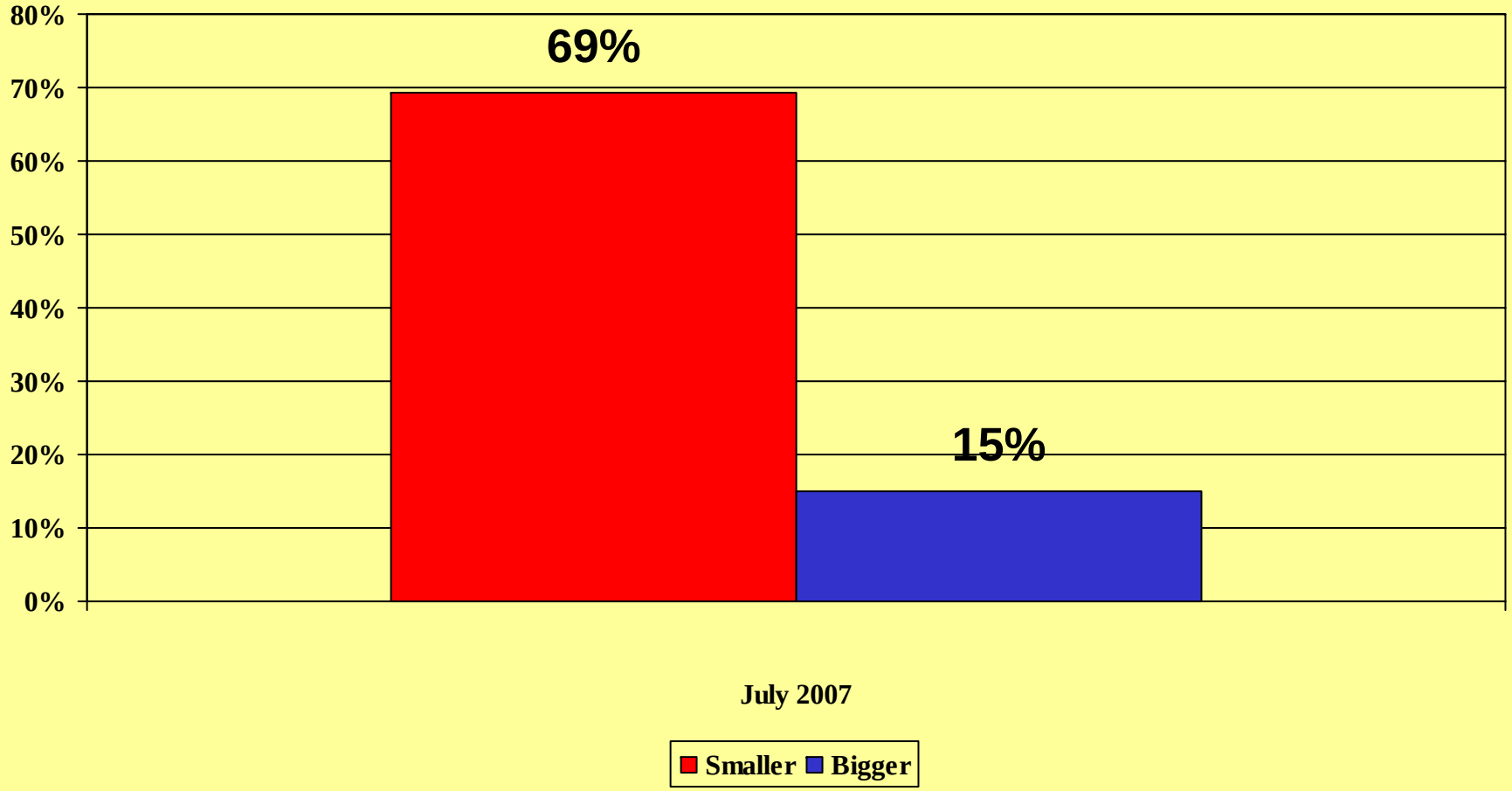
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Would you support the creation of a high risk insurance pool to provide coverage for people who are chronically ill? if Yes, would you support paying for this coverage through a tax on an individual's insurance policy or a small business health insurance policy or should these funds come from the State's general fund?



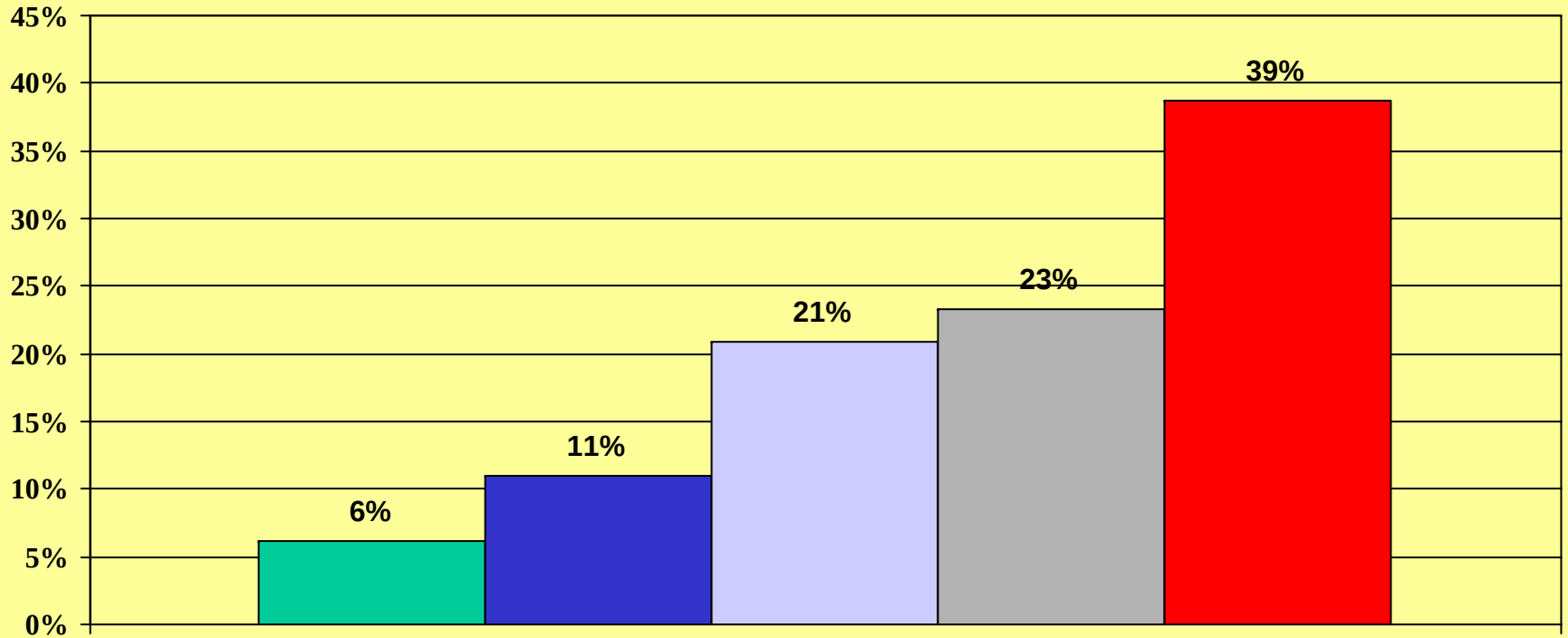
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When you think about government today, would you prefer smaller government with fewer services and lower taxes or bigger government that provides more services with higher taxes?



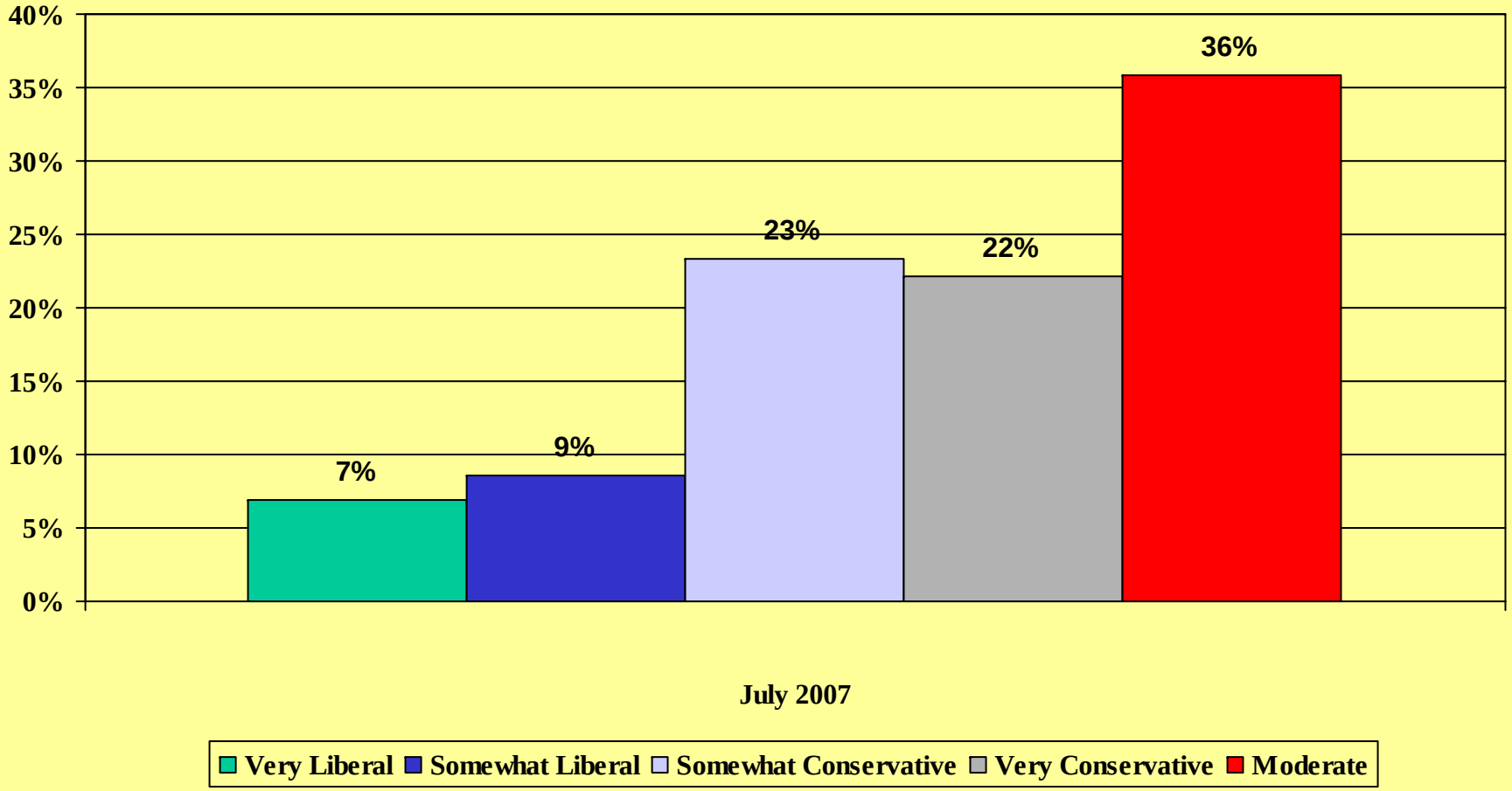
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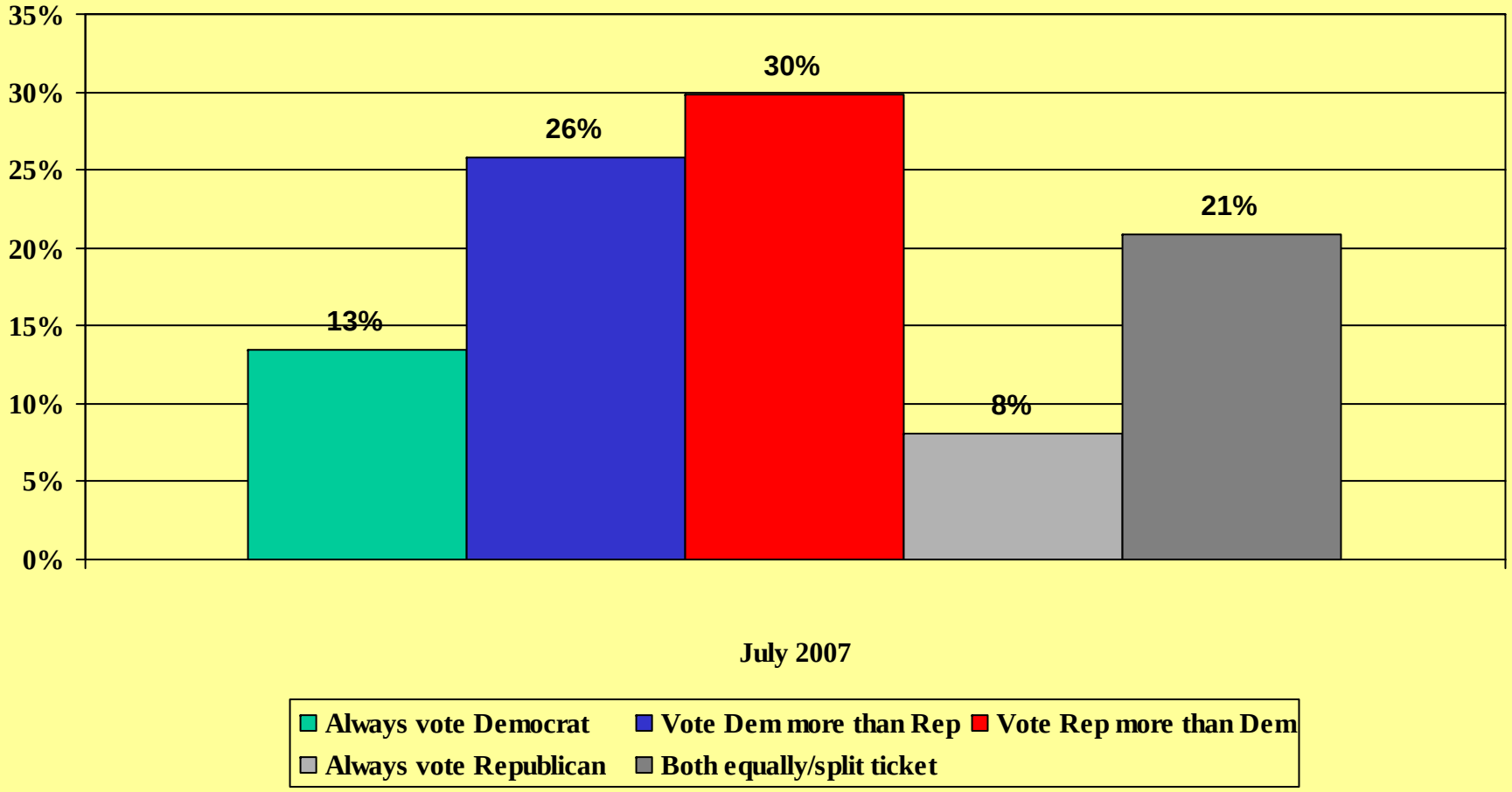
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Political Philosophy



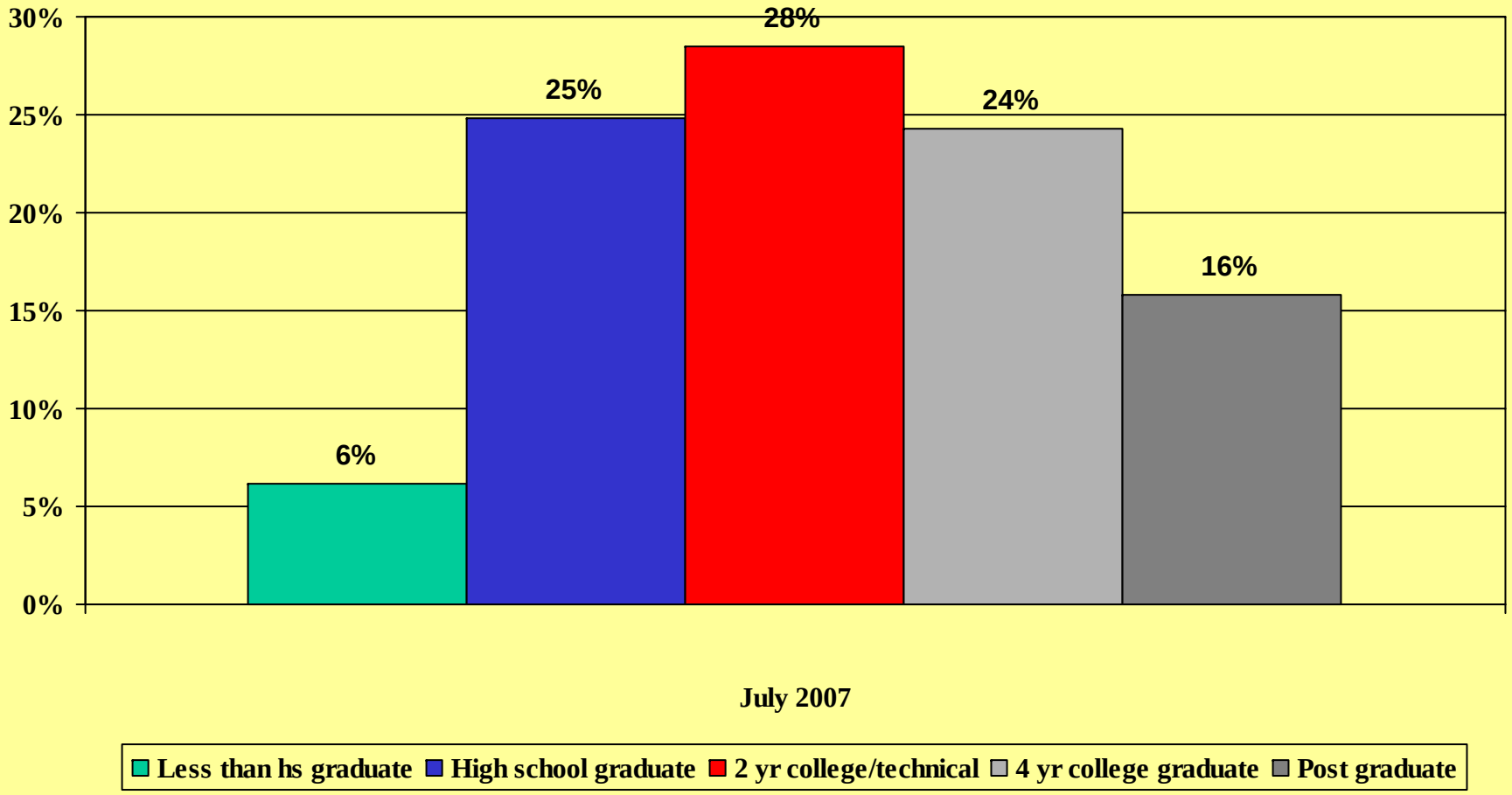
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Regardless of your party registration, do you:

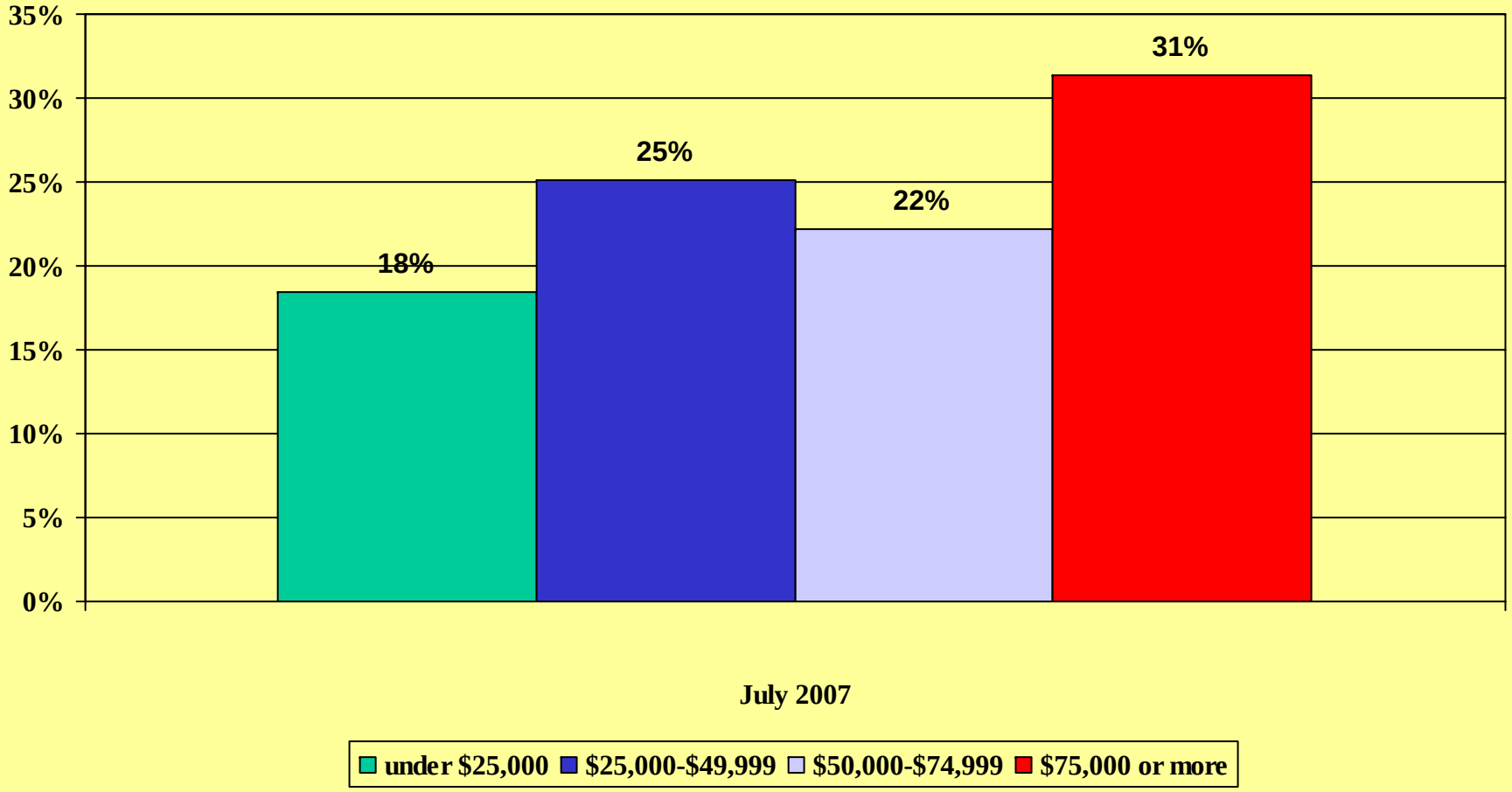


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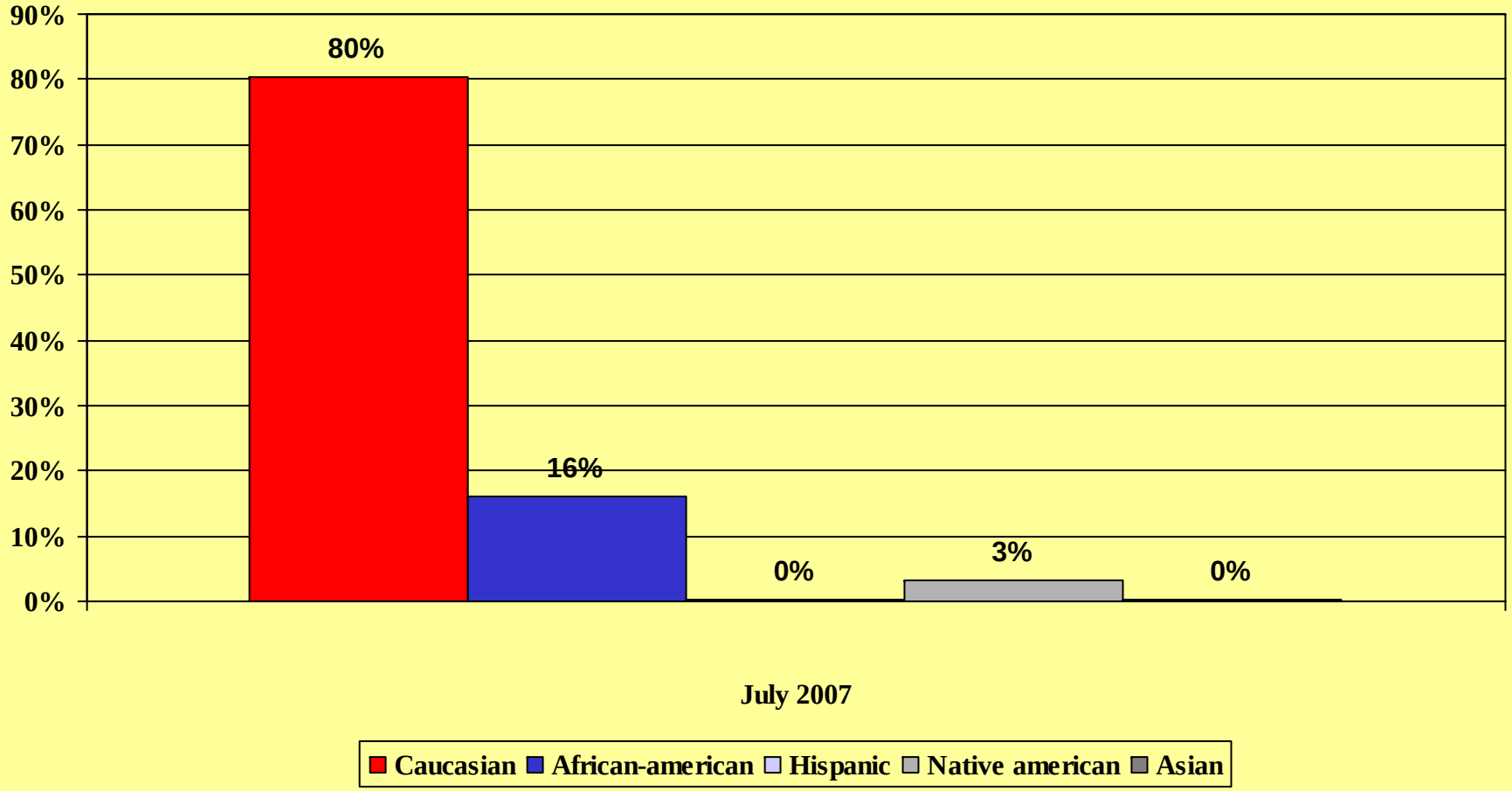

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Family Income



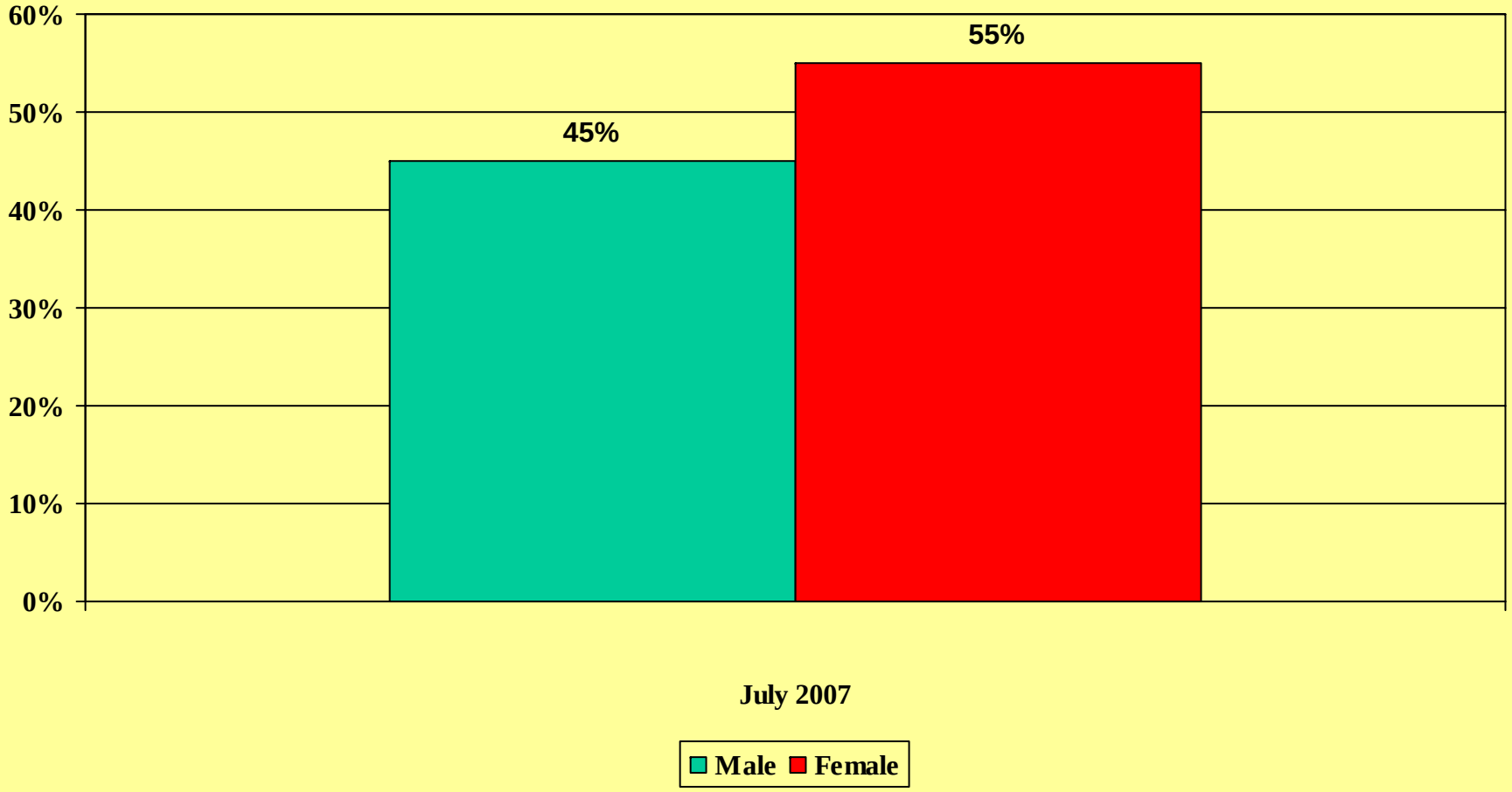
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