






# The Colorado Health Foundation Poll

2023 Findings Among Hispanic/Latino Coloradans



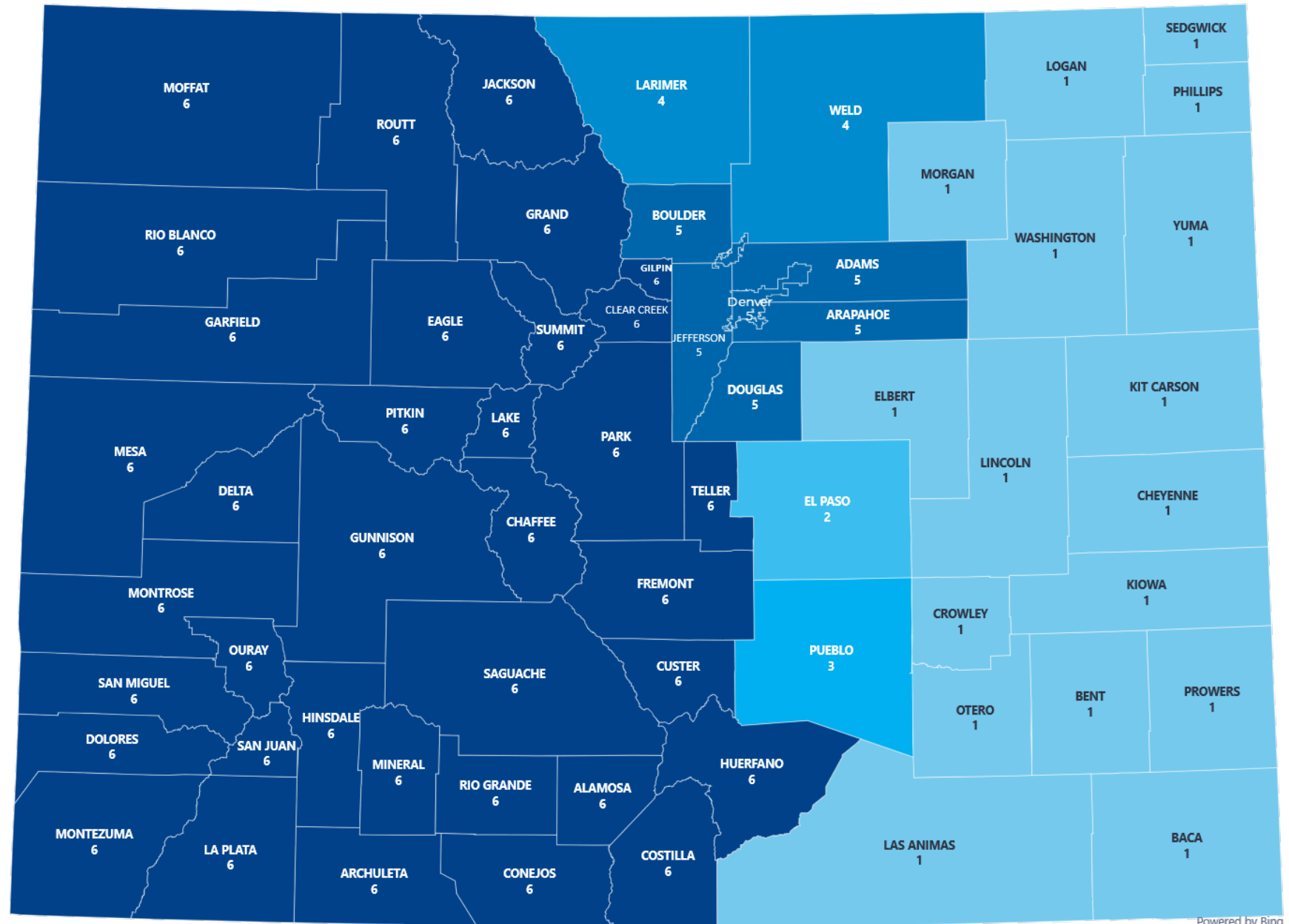
# Survey Specifics and Methodology

(Not All Results Will Sum to 100% Due to Rounding)

Dates	April 8-May 3, 2023
Bipartisan Research Team	FM3 Research (D) and New Bridge Strategy (R)
Survey Type	Dual-mode Phone and Online Survey of Adult Coloradans
Research Population	462 Interviews with Colorado Adults Who Identify as Hispanic or Latino
Margin of Sampling Error	±2.2% at the 95% Confidence Level
Contact Methods	 Telephone Calls  Email Invitations  Text Invitations
Data Collection Modes	 Telephone Interviews  Online Interviews
Comparison Surveys	Pulse Surveys Fielded in 2020, 2021, and 2022
Survey Languages	Conducted in English and Spanish



# Colorado Region Map



Eastern Plains (1)	7%
El Paso (2)	12%
Pueblo (3)	6%
Larimer Weld (4)	13%
Denver Metro (5)	53%
Western Slope (6)	8%



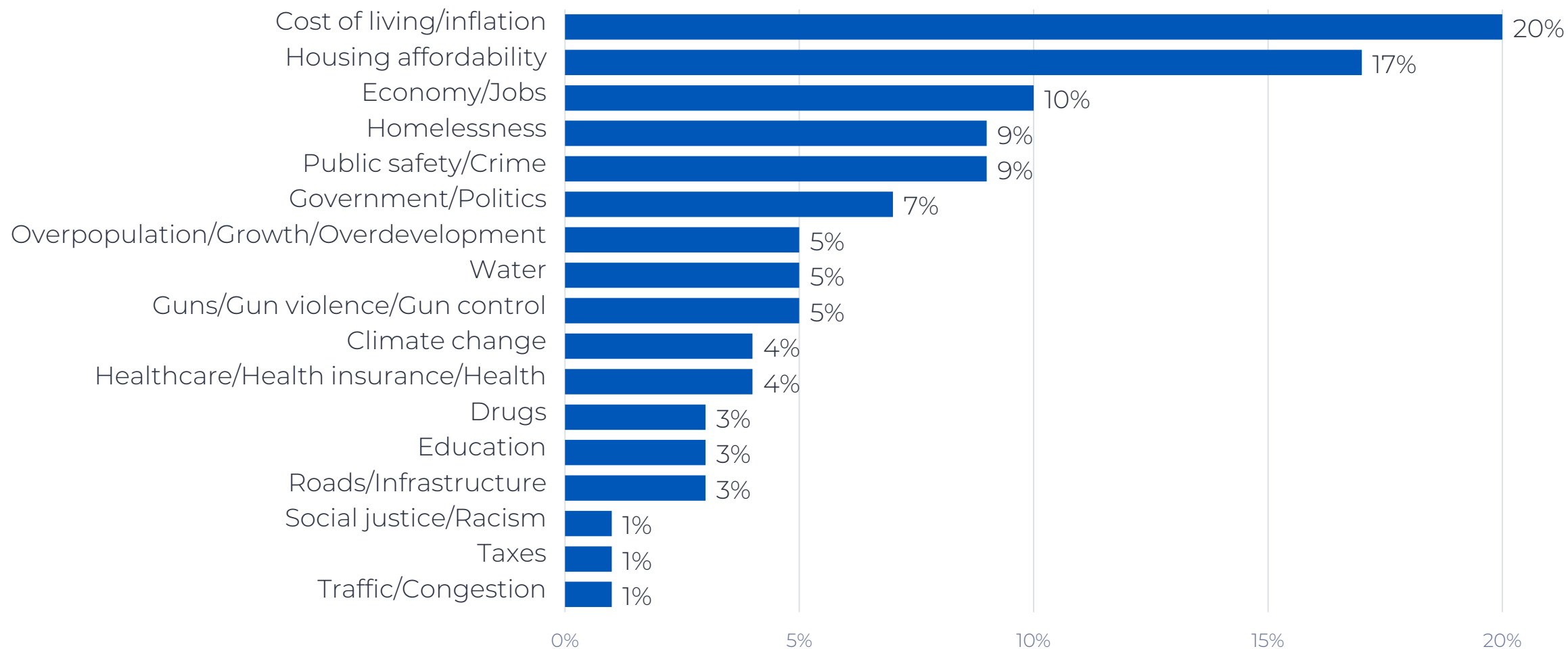


# Top Concerns

# The cost of living and housing affordability are volunteered as top concerns for Colorado Latinos.

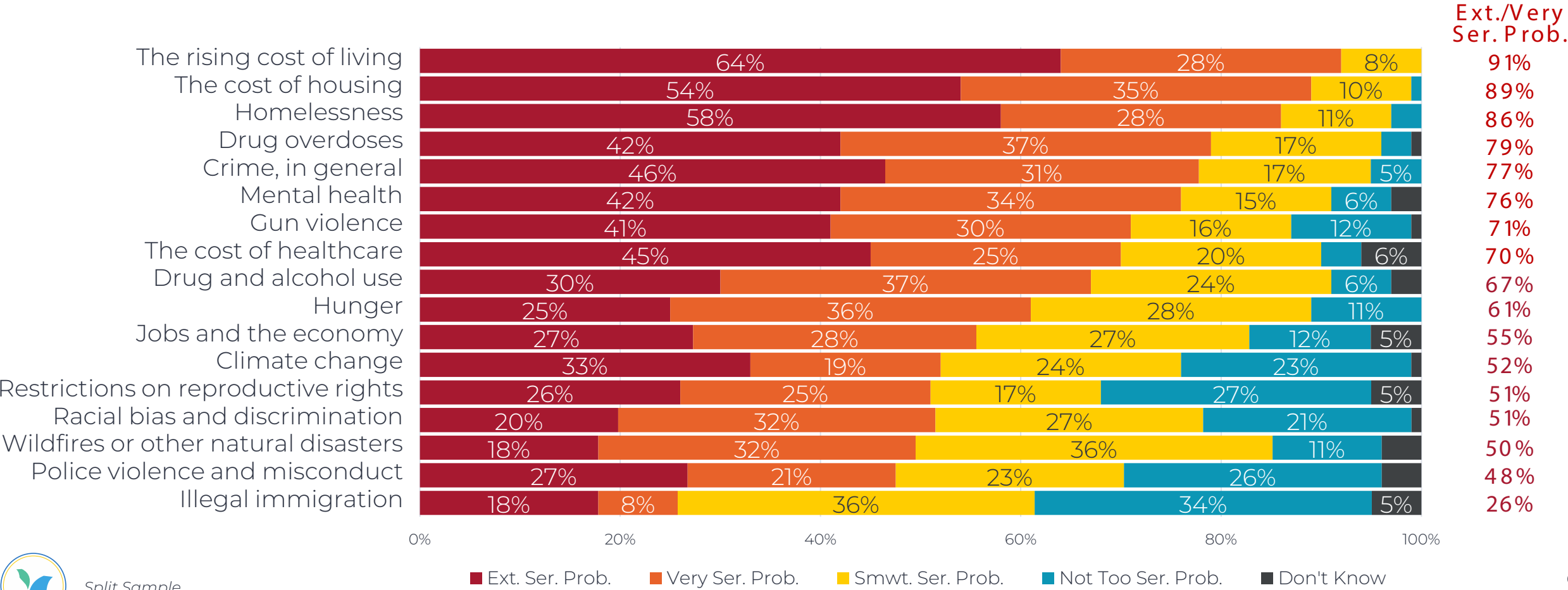
Q14. In a few words of your own, what is the most important issue facing Colorado right now?

(Open-ended)



# Nine in ten Latinos rank the cost of living and cost of housing as “very serious” problems.

Q15. I'd like to read you some problems facing Colorado that people have mentioned. Please tell me whether you think it is an extremely serious problem, a very serious problem, somewhat serious problem, or not too serious a problem in Colorado.



# Households with incomes under \$75,000 per year express more concern on a wide range of issues.

Q15. I'd like to read you some problems facing Colorado that people have mentioned. Please tell me whether you think it is an extremely serious problem, a very serious problem, somewhat serious problem, or not too serious a problem in Colorado.

(Extremely/Very Serious Problem)

Problem	All	Age		Gender		Household Income	
		18-34	35+	Men	Women	<\$75,000	\$75,000+
The rising cost of living	<b>91%</b>	90%	93%	95%	87%	96%	84%
The cost of housing	<b>89%</b>	90%	88%	87%	90%	92%	84%
Homelessness	<b>86%</b>	87%	86%	81%	91%	80%	91%
Drug overdoses	<b>79%</b>	79%	79%	71%	85%	83%	81%
Crime, in general	<b>77%</b>	76%	78%	76%	78%	73%	76%
Mental health	<b>76%</b>	83%	70%	71%	81%	74%	84%
Gun violence	<b>71%</b>	81%	62%	61%	81%	69%	75%
The cost of healthcare	<b>70%</b>	70%	70%	54%	84%	70%	68%
Drug and alcohol use	<b>67%</b>	65%	70%	67%	69%	71%	66%
Hunger	<b>61%</b>	54%	67%	59%	61%	65%	50%
Jobs and the economy	<b>55%</b>	65%	47%	49%	60%	68%	54%
Climate change	<b>52%</b>	54%	50%	43%	60%	58%	46%
Restrictions on reproductive rights	<b>51%</b>	57%	46%	43%	58%	65%	40%
Racial bias and discrimination	<b>51%</b>	63%	40%	38%	64%	49%	54%
Wildfires or other natural disasters	<b>50%</b>	53%	47%	52%	46%	49%	55%
Police violence and misconduct	<b>48%</b>	63%	36%	37%	57%	71%	42%
Illegal immigration	<b>26%</b>	18%	32%	20%	30%	40%	18%



## Differences by region, disability status, and language spoken at home are more modest.

Q15. I'd like to read you some problems facing Colorado that people have mentioned. Please tell me whether you think it is an extremely serious problem, a very serious problem, somewhat serious problem, or not too serious a problem in Colorado.

(Extremely/Very Serious Problem)

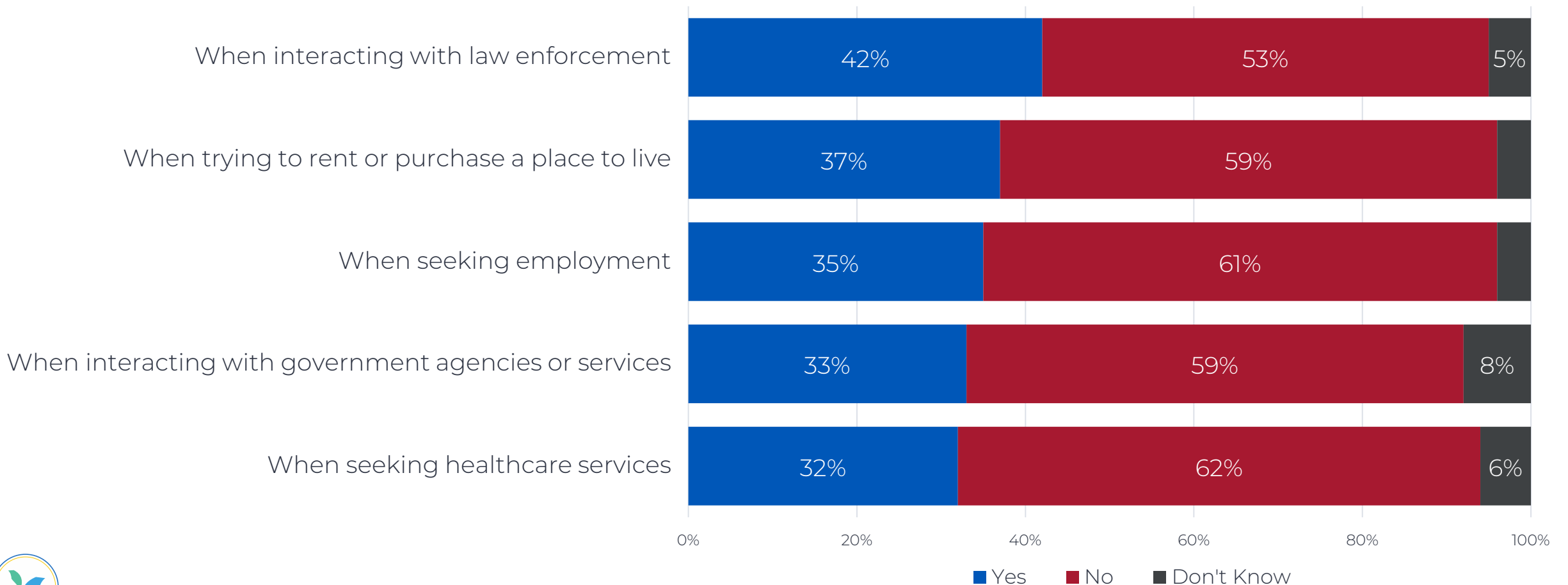
Problem	All	Region		Disability		Other Language	
		Front Range	Not Front Range	Yes	No	Yes	No
The rising cost of living	<b>91%</b>	92%	91%	87%	92%	94%	89%
The cost of housing	<b>89%</b>	89%	85%	89%	88%	92%	86%
Homelessness	<b>86%</b>	86%	85%	87%	85%	86%	85%
Drug overdoses	<b>79%</b>	78%	81%	57%	81%	80%	76%
Crime, in general	<b>77%</b>	80%	60%	68%	78%	81%	70%
Mental health	<b>76%</b>	77%	74%	79%	75%	78%	74%
Gun violence	<b>71%</b>	73%	61%	76%	70%	75%	66%
The cost of healthcare	<b>70%</b>	70%	70%	45%	72%	70%	67%
Drug and alcohol use	<b>67%</b>	66%	74%	62%	68%	69%	66%
Hunger	<b>61%</b>	62%	55%	62%	59%	66%	56%
Jobs and the economy	<b>55%</b>	57%	42%	46%	58%	51%	63%
Climate change	<b>52%</b>	52%	51%	55%	54%	58%	49%
Restrictions on reproductive rights	<b>51%</b>	52%	43%	30%	53%	48%	52%
Racial bias and discrimination	<b>51%</b>	52%	44%	62%	49%	57%	45%
Wildfires or other natural disasters	<b>50%</b>	52%	39%	57%	48%	49%	51%
Police violence and misconduct	<b>48%</b>	47%	52%	39%	51%	55%	44%
Illegal immigration	<b>26%</b>	23%	42%	28%	26%	26%	25%





# More than two in five Latinos have been treated unfairly in interactions with law enforcement – or are know someone who has.

Q19. Please tell me whether you - or someone you know - have been treated unfairly in any of the following situations here in Colorado as a result of their race or ethnicity:



# Latinas are more likely to indicate knowing someone who has experienced some form of unfair treatment.

Q19. Please tell me whether you - or someone you know - have been treated unfairly in any of the following situations here in Colorado as a result of their race or ethnicity:

(% Yes)

Statement	All	Age		Gender		Household Income	
		18-34	35+	Men	Women	<\$75,000	\$75,000+
When interacting with law enforcement	<b>42%</b>	44%	41%	32%	<b>50%</b>	46%	35%
When trying to rent or purchase a place to live	<b>37%</b>	33%	41%	30%	<b>42%</b>	37%	27%
When seeking employment	<b>35%</b>	35%	36%	28%	<b>41%</b>	39%	27%
When interacting with government agencies or services	<b>33%</b>	32%	33%	27%	<b>36%</b>	32%	26%
When seeking healthcare services	<b>32%</b>	31%	33%	24%	<b>39%</b>	36%	27%



# Colorado Latinos who live with a disability report knowing people who have experienced a wide range of unfair treatment.

Q19. Please tell me whether you - or someone you know - have been treated unfairly in any of the following situations here in Colorado as a result of their race or ethnicity:

(% Yes)

Statement	All	Region		Disability		Other Language	
		Front Range	Not Front Range	Yes	No	Yes	No
When interacting with law enforcement	<b>42%</b>	43%	41%	<b>56%</b>	39%	42%	41%
When trying to rent or purchase a place to live	<b>37%</b>	37%	37%	<b>59%</b>	32%	35%	37%
When seeking employment	<b>35%</b>	36%	33%	<b>37%</b>	35%	33%	36%
When interacting with government agencies or services	<b>33%</b>	33%	28%	<b>59%</b>	27%	34%	29%
When seeking healthcare services	<b>32%</b>	30%	44%	<b>50%</b>	30%	33%	33%

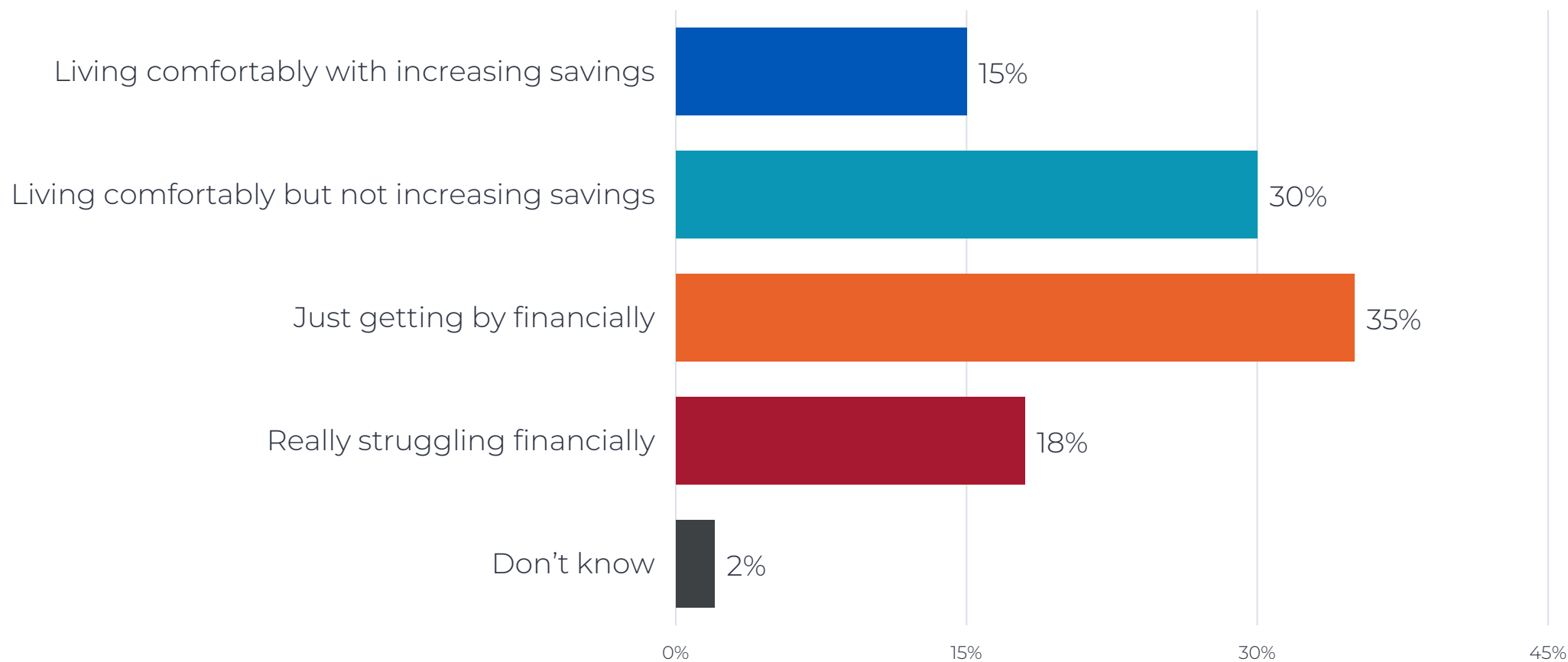




# The Cost of Living

# Most Latinos in Colorado say they are no more than ‘just getting by’ financially.

Q20. Which of the following best describes your financial situation:



# Over two-thirds of Latinos with household incomes under \$75,000 say they are no more than “just getting by.”

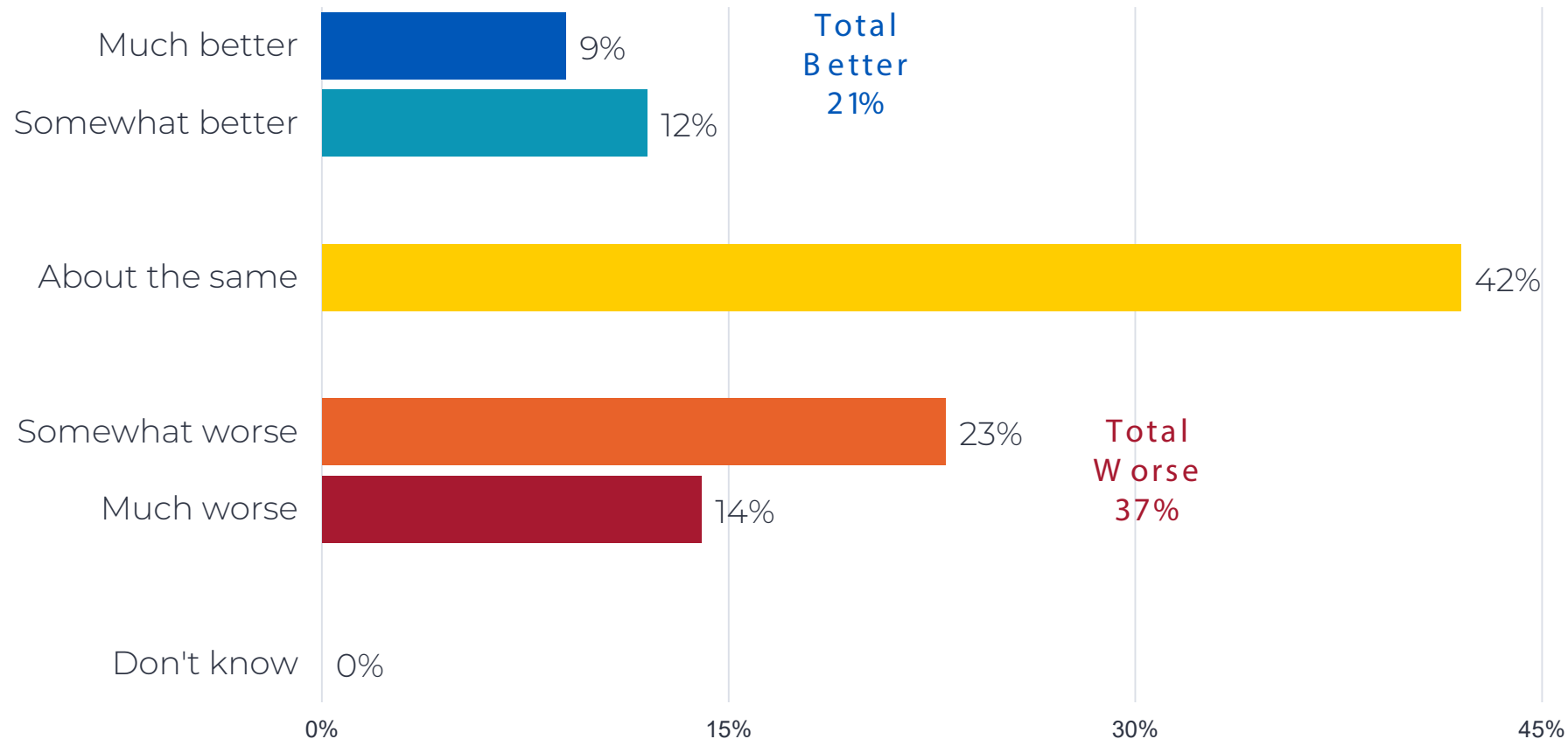
Q20. Which of the following best describes your financial situation:

Description	All	Age		Gender		Household Income	
		18-34	35+	Men	Women	<\$75,000	\$75,000+
Living comfortably with increasing savings	<b>15%</b>	15%	15%	18%	12%	8%	27%
Living comfortably but not increasing savings	<b>30%</b>	29%	30%	28%	31%	22%	46%
Just getting by financially	<b>35%</b>	37%	34%	38%	34%	45%	20%
Really struggling financially	<b>18%</b>	19%	18%	16%	21%	26%	6%
Don't know	<b>2%</b>	0%	3%	0%	2%	0%	0%



# By a two-to-one margin, Latinos say their financial situation has worsened in the past year.

Q21. Would you say you are better off, or worse off financially than you were a year ago, or is your financial situation about the same?



# This is particularly true for those on the lower end of the income scale, who live with a disability, or who live on the Front Range.

Q21. Would you say you are better off, or worse off financially than you were a year ago, or is your financial situation about the same?

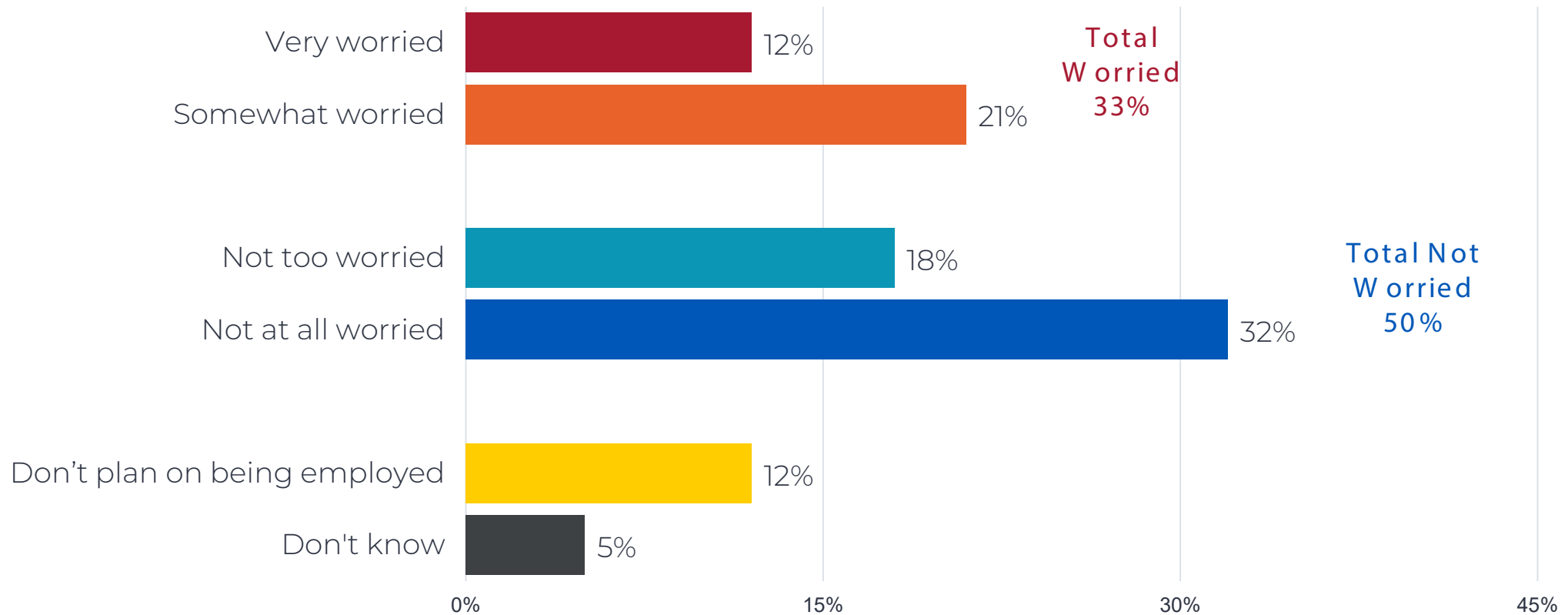
Demographic Group	Total Better	Total Worse	About the Same/ Don't Know
<b>All</b>	<b>21%</b>	<b>37%</b>	<b>42%</b>
<b>Age</b>			
18-34	28%	35%	37%
35+	15%	38%	47%
<b>Gender</b>			
Men	22%	33%	45%
Women	20%	39%	41%
<b>Household Income</b>			
<\$75,000	23%	47%	30%
\$75,000+	25%	20%	56%
<b>Region</b>			
Front Range	19%	40%	41%
Not Front Range	33%	19%	49%
<b>Disability</b>			
Yes	9%	50%	41%
No	24%	32%	44%
<b>Other Language</b>			
Yes	28%	27%	45%
No	15%	43%	41%





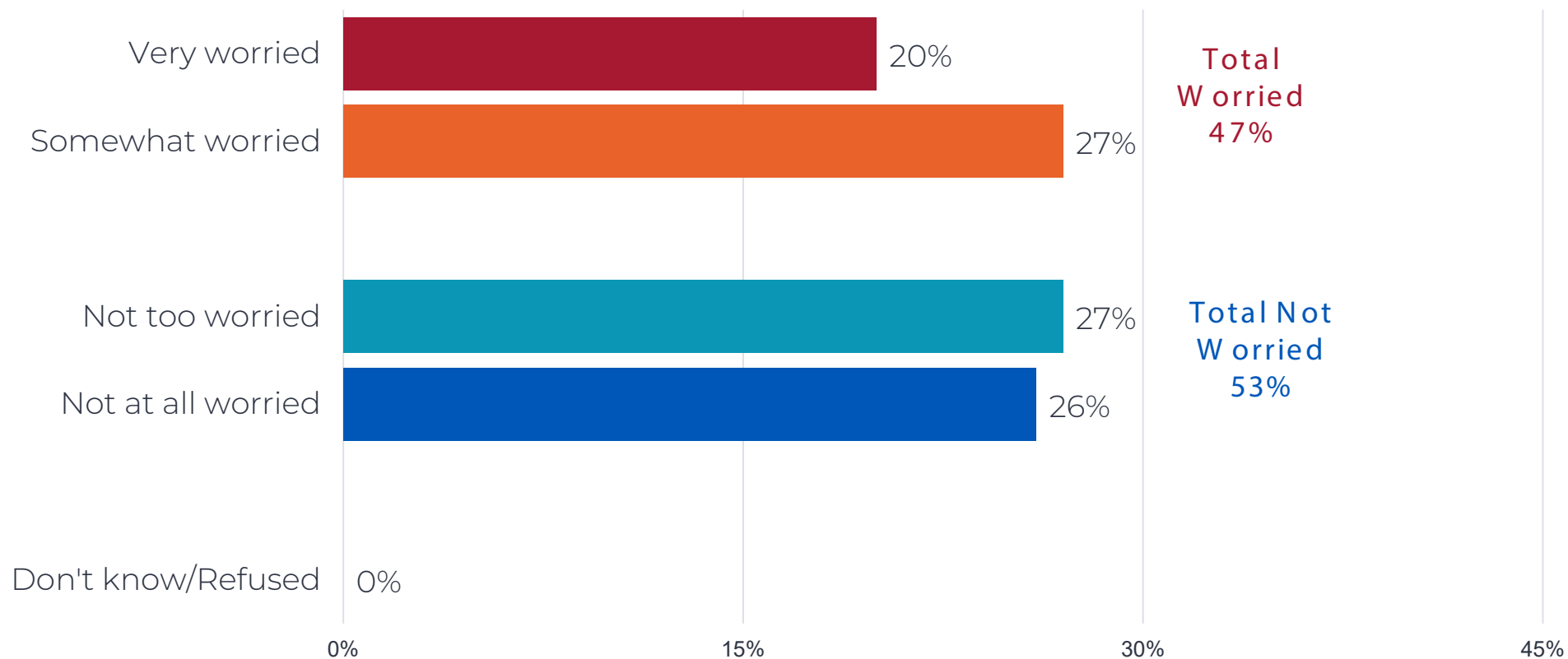
# One-third are worried about whether they will be employed over the next year.

Q25. Do you plan to be employed over the next year? (IF YES: How worried are you that you might not be employed over the next year:)



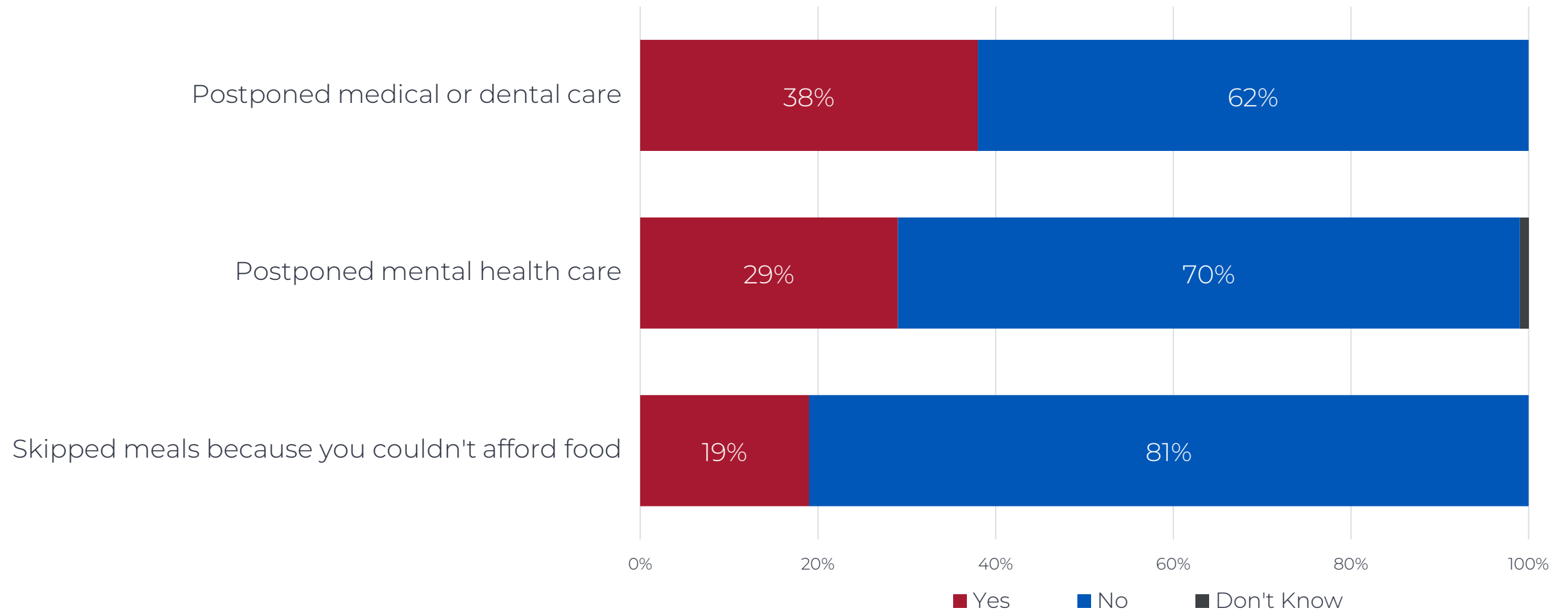
# Almost half are worried about having enough food to feed their family on a regular basis.

Q24. Thinking ahead over the next year, how worried are you that you might not always be able to afford enough food to feed yourself and your family:



# Nearly two in five have postponed medical or dental care in the past year...

Q26. In the last 12 months, have you experienced any of the following:



# ...particularly those who are under 35, have lower incomes, or who live with a disability.

Q26. In the last 12 months, have you experienced any of the following:

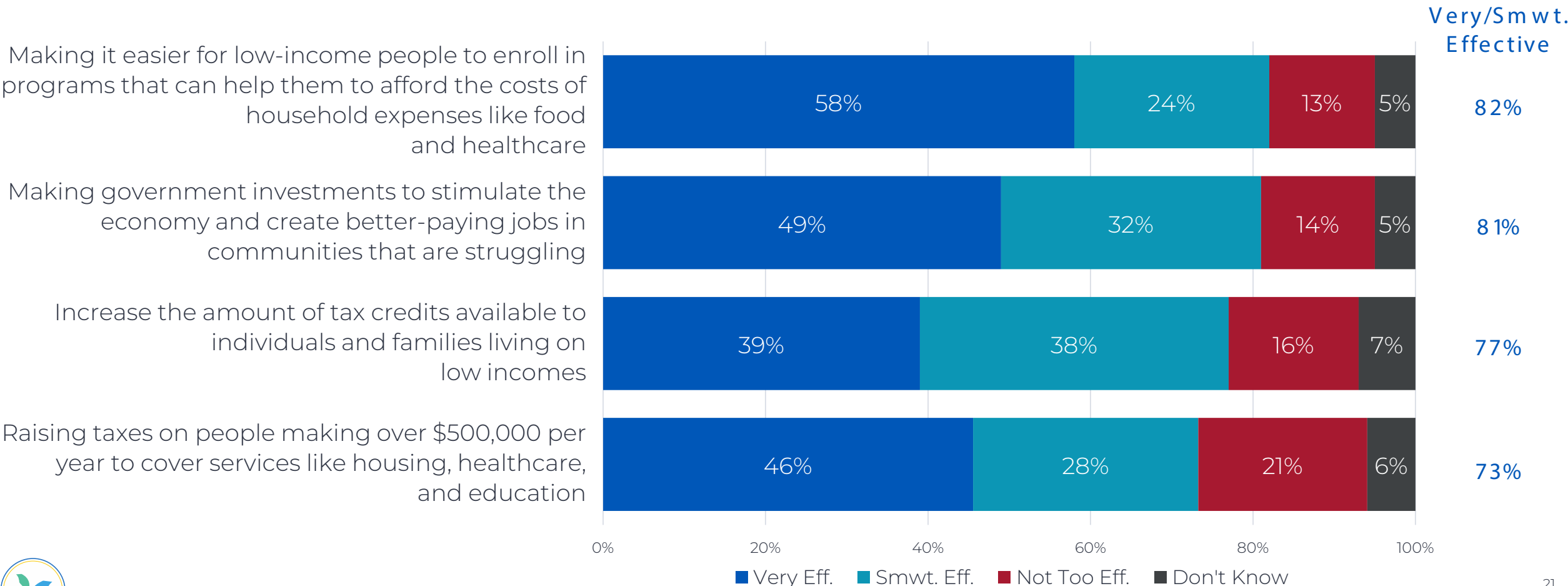
(% Yes)

Demographic Group	Postponed medical or dental care	Postponed mental health care	Skipped meals because you couldn't afford food
<b>All</b>	<b>38%</b>	<b>29%</b>	<b>19%</b>
<b>Age</b>			
18-34	43%	40%	26%
35+	33%	20%	12%
<b>Gender</b>			
Men	28%	19%	18%
Women	45%	37%	19%
<b>Household Income</b>			
<\$75,000	45%	37%	29%
\$75,000+	29%	25%	5%
<b>Region</b>			
Front Range	37%	28%	20%
Not Front Range	39%	35%	11%
<b>Disability</b>			
Yes	61%	38%	31%
No	32%	26%	14%
<b>Other Language</b>			
Yes	32%	33%	15%
No	44%	25%	20%



# Three in five think easing enrollment in programs to provide financial assistance would be “very effective” in addressing the cost of living.

Q28. Here are some actions that some people say will address the rising cost of living in Colorado. Please tell me how effective you think it will be in helping Coloradans make ends meet: very effective, somewhat effective, or not too effective.



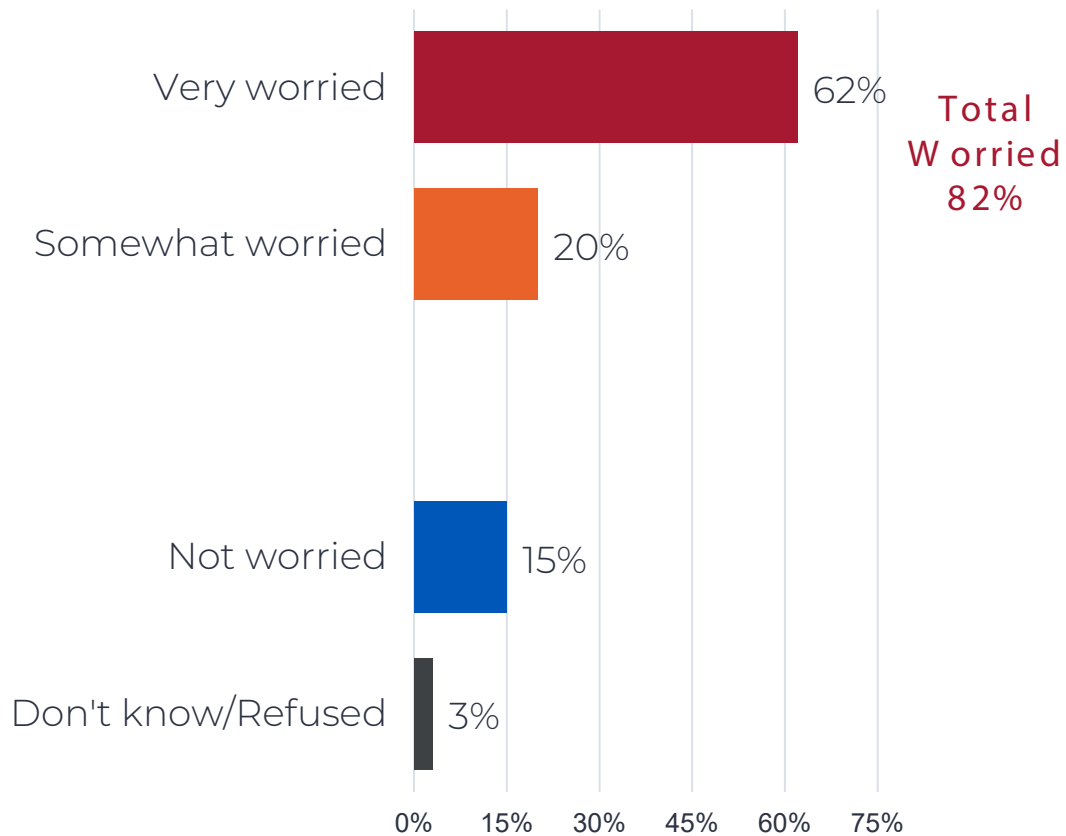
A group of people are seated around a long wooden table in a meeting room. The scene is dimly lit with a blueish tint. In the foreground, a person's hands are visible, holding a pen and writing in a spiral notebook. Other people are blurred in the background, some looking towards the center of the table. The overall atmosphere is professional and collaborative.

# Housing

# More than three in five Latino parents are “very worried” about whether their children will be able to afford to live in Colorado.

Q32. Are you worried about whether your children will be able to afford to live in Colorado in the future? (IF YES, ASK: Are you very worried or just somewhat?)

(Asked of Parents, n=145)

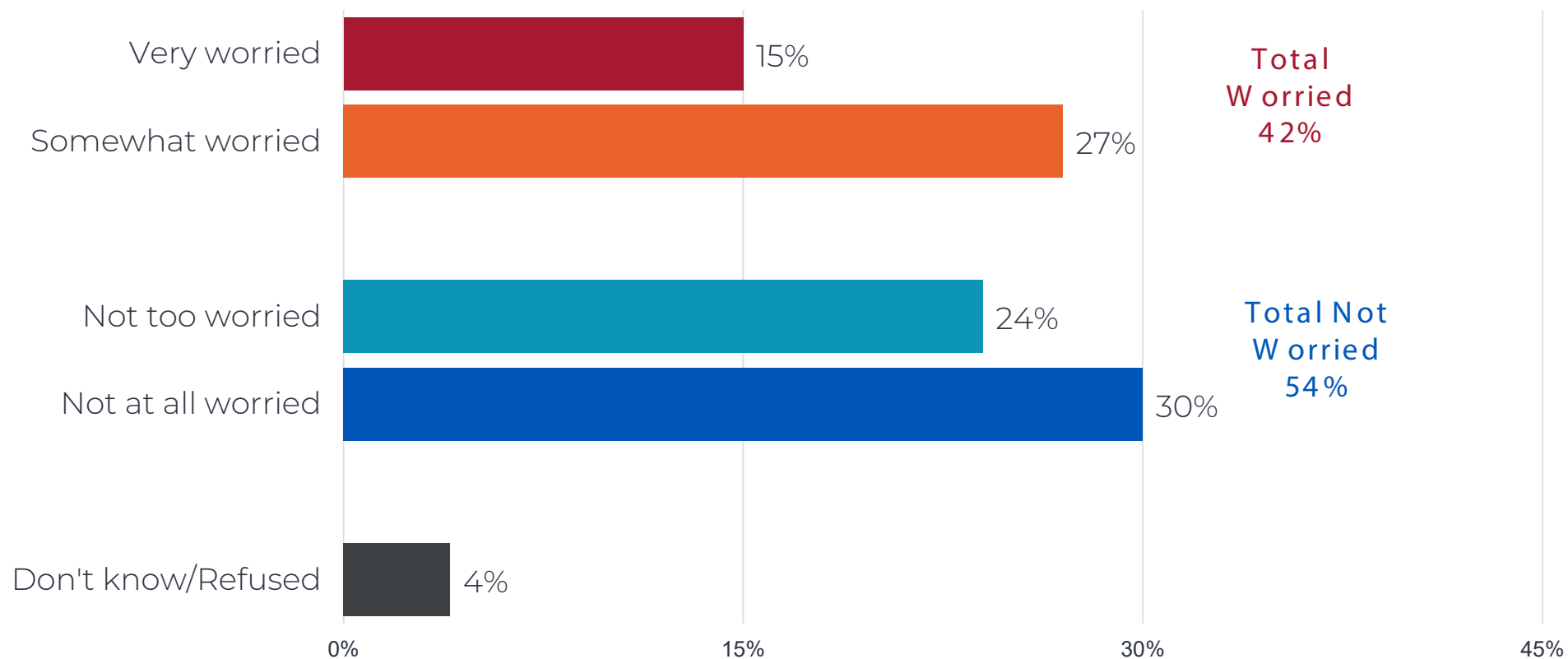


Demographic Group	% Total Worried
<b>Age</b>	
18-34	89%
35+	78%
<b>Gender</b>	
Men	76%
Women	89%
<b>Household Income</b>	
<\$75,000	87%
\$75,000+	86%
<b>Region</b>	
Front Range	81%
Not Front Range	91%



# Two in five Colorado Latinos are worried that they may be unable to afford housing in the coming year.

Q22. Thinking ahead over the next year, how worried are you that you might lose your home because you can't afford the monthly rent or mortgage:





# Most Latinos in households with incomes under \$75,000, or who live with a disability, are worried about being able to afford housing.

Q22. Thinking ahead over the next year, how worried are you that you might lose your home because you can't afford the monthly rent or mortgage:

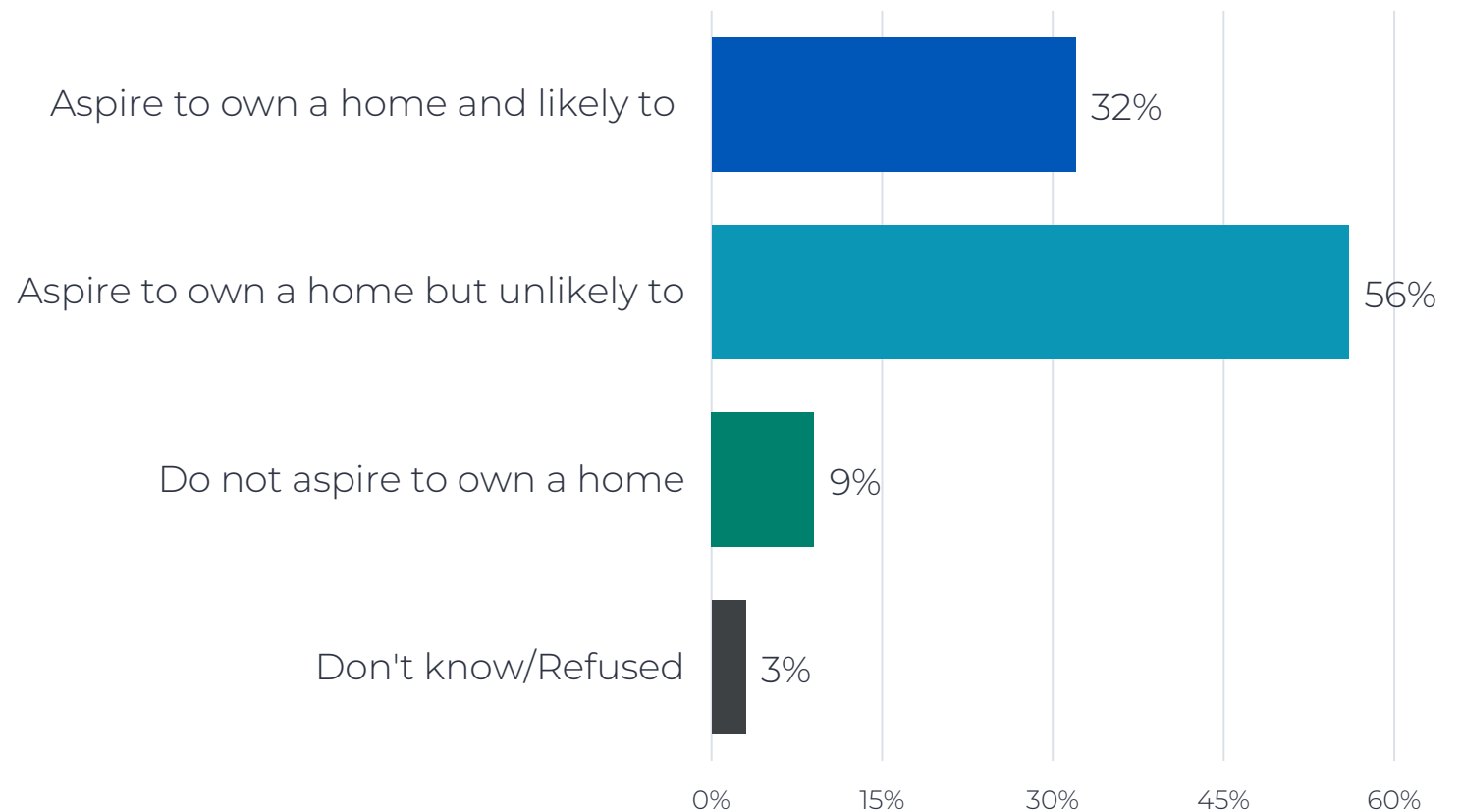
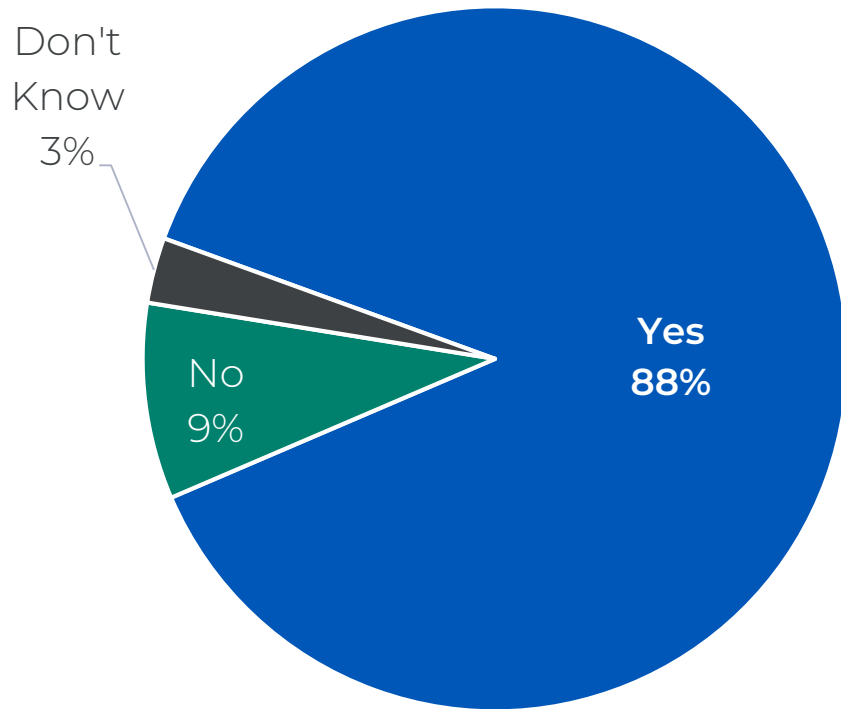
Demographic Group	Total Worried	Total Not Worried	Don't Know
<b>All</b>	<b>42%</b>	<b>54%</b>	<b>4%</b>
<b>Age</b>			
18-34	40%	60%	0%
35+	43%	49%	8%
<b>Gender</b>			
Men	42%	55%	2%
Women	40%	54%	7%
<b>Household Income</b>			
<\$75,000	58%	41%	1%
\$75,000+	22%	77%	1%
<b>Region</b>			
Front Range	43%	52%	5%
Not Front Range	36%	64%	0%
<b>Disability</b>			
Yes	51%	46%	3%
No	40%	57%	3%
<b>Other Language</b>			
Yes	39%	57%	4%
No	45%	52%	3%



# Nearly nine in ten Latino renters aspire to own a home – but only one-third expect to be able to afford to do so.

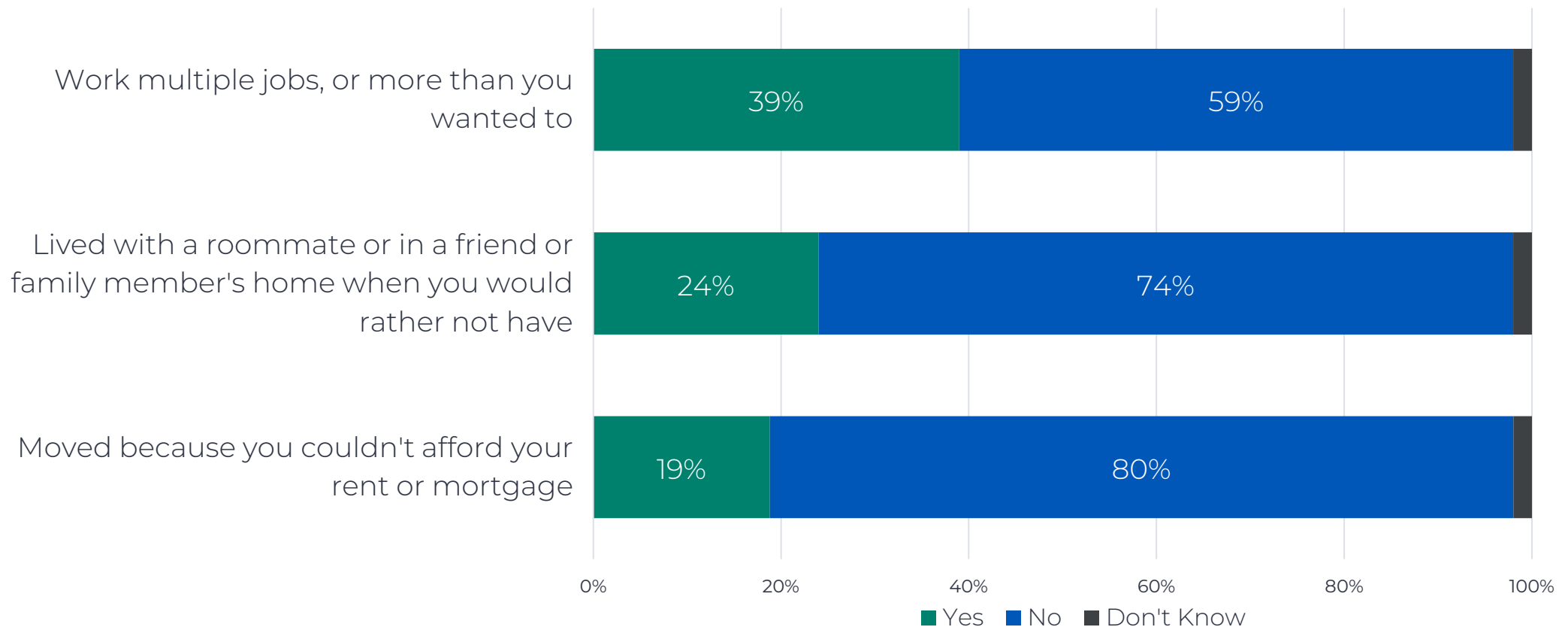
Q31. Do you aspire to own a home someday? (IF YES: Do you think it is likely or unlikely that you will be able to purchase a home in Colorado?)

(Asked of Only of Those Who Rent, n=140)



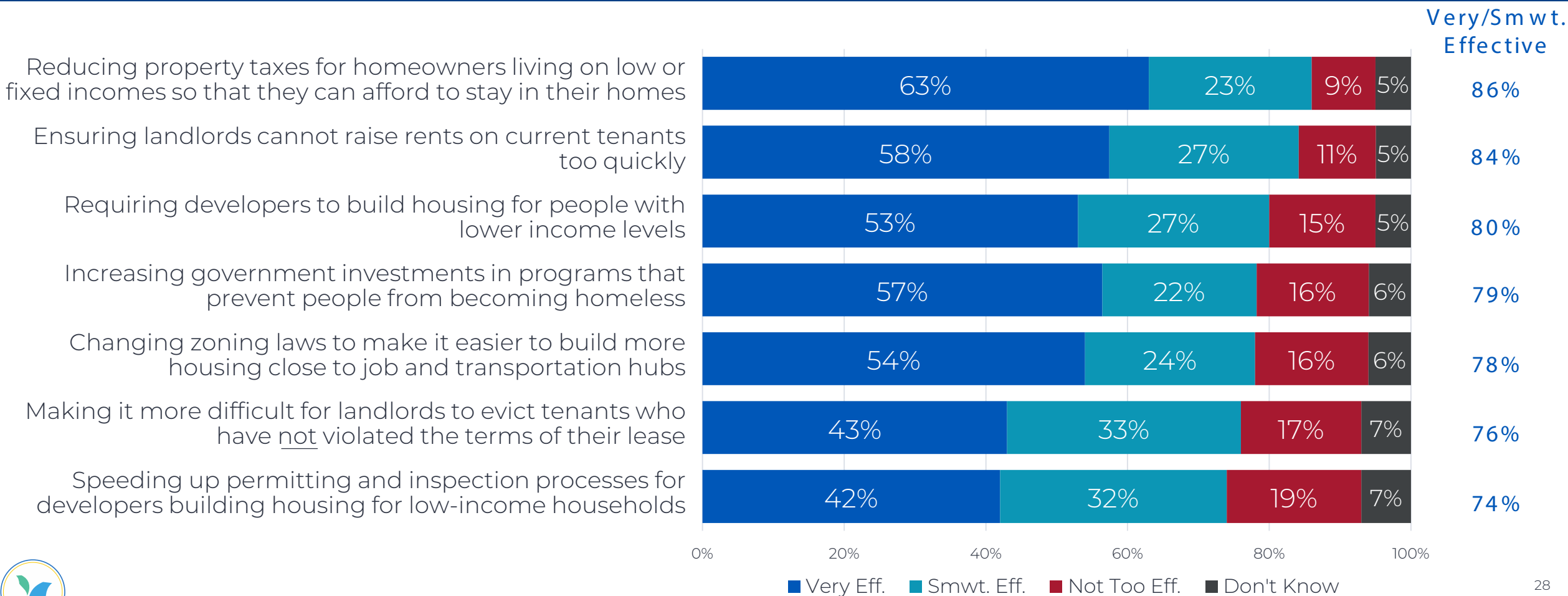
# Two in five Colorado Latinos have worked multiple jobs, or more hours than they wanted to, in an attempt to make ends meet.

Q33. In order to pay your rent or your mortgage in the last year, have you had to do any of the following:



# More than four in five Latinos view property tax cuts or rent stabilization activities as effective ways of addressing housing costs.

Q34. Here are some actions that some people say will address rising housing costs in Colorado. Please tell me how effective you think it will be in making housing more affordable: very effective, somewhat effective, or not too effective.

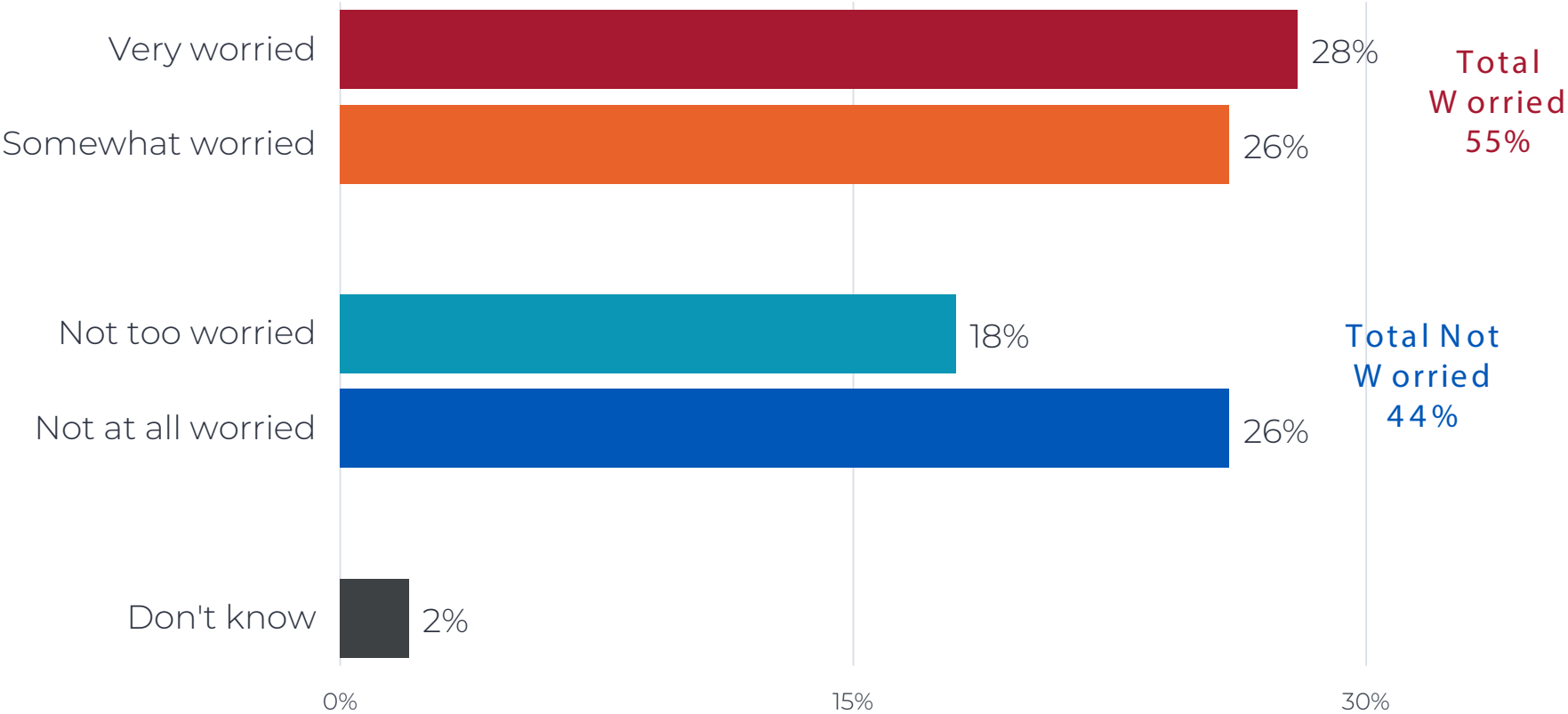


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# Health Care

# Most Colorado Latinos worry that someone in their household will be without health insurance in the next year.

Q23. Thinking ahead over the next year, how worried are you that you or someone else in your household will be without health insurance coverage?



# Two-thirds of Latinos with household incomes under \$75,000 voice this concern.

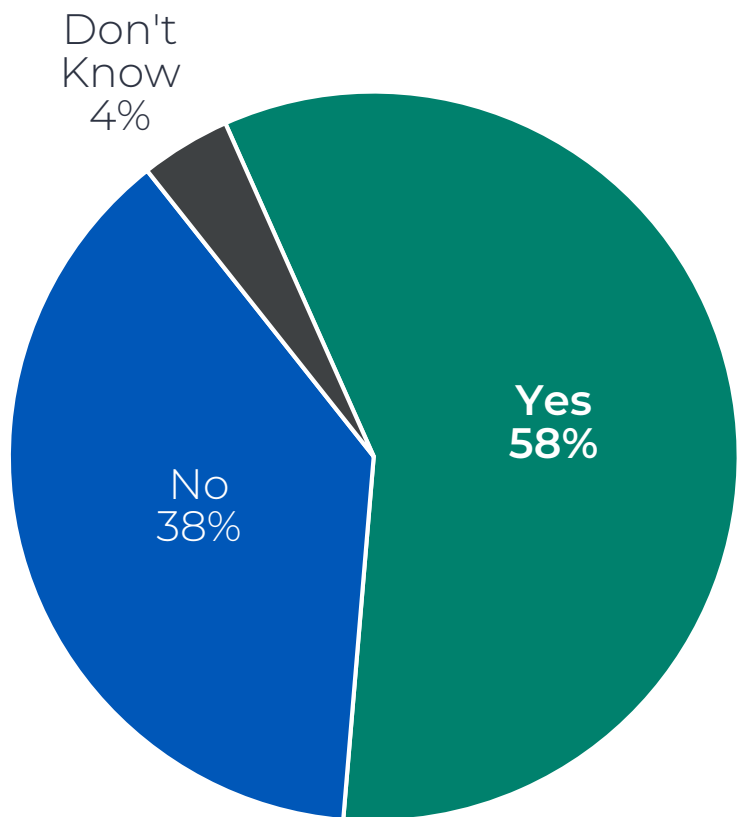
Q23. Thinking ahead over the next year, how worried are you that you or someone else in your household will be without health insurance coverage?

Demographic Group	Total Worried	Total Not Worried	Don't Know
All	55%	44%	2%
<b>Age</b>			
18-34	57%	41%	2%
35+	53%	46%	2%
<b>Gender</b>			
Men	48%	52%	0%
Women	61%	36%	3%
<b>Household Income</b>			
<\$75,000	66%	32%	3%
\$75,000+	41%	58%	1%
<b>Region</b>			
Front Range	52%	46%	2%
Not Front Range	68%	29%	3%
<b>Disability</b>			
Yes	59%	38%	3%
No	53%	46%	1%
<b>Other Language</b>			
Yes	57%	41%	2%
No	51%	48%	1%



# Three in five Colorado Latinos report experiencing mental health strain over the past year.

Q35. In the last year, have you experienced mental health strain such as anxiety, depression, loneliness, or stress?



Demographic Group	Demographic Groups Most Likely to Have Experienced Mental Health Strain (% Yes)
<b>Age</b>	
18-34	76%
35+	42%
<b>Gender</b>	
Men	48%
Women	68%
<b>Household Income</b>	
<\$75,000	69%
\$75,000+	54%
<b>Region</b>	
Front Range	60%
Not Front Range	47%
<b>Disability</b>	
Yes	68%
No	56%
<b>Other Language</b>	
Yes	56%
No	62%

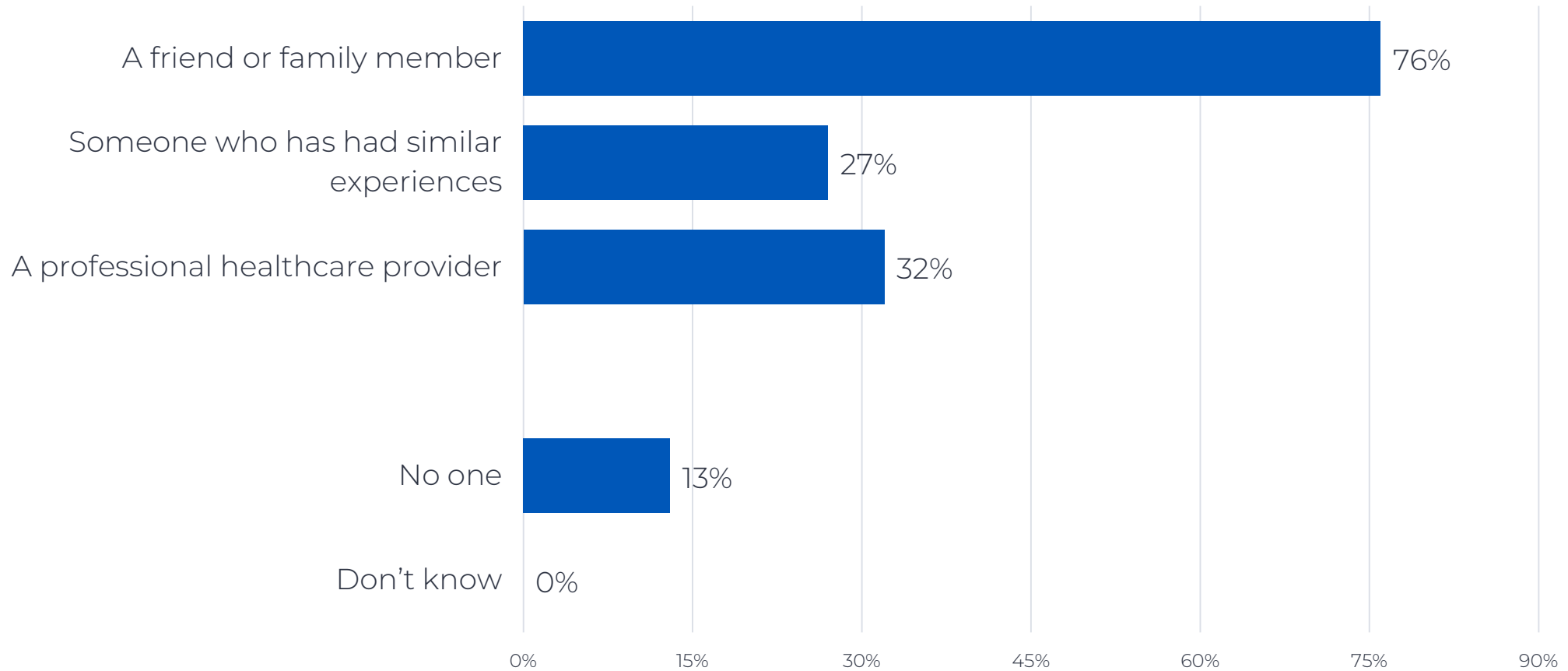




# Among those experiencing mental health strain, most have talked to a friend or family member.

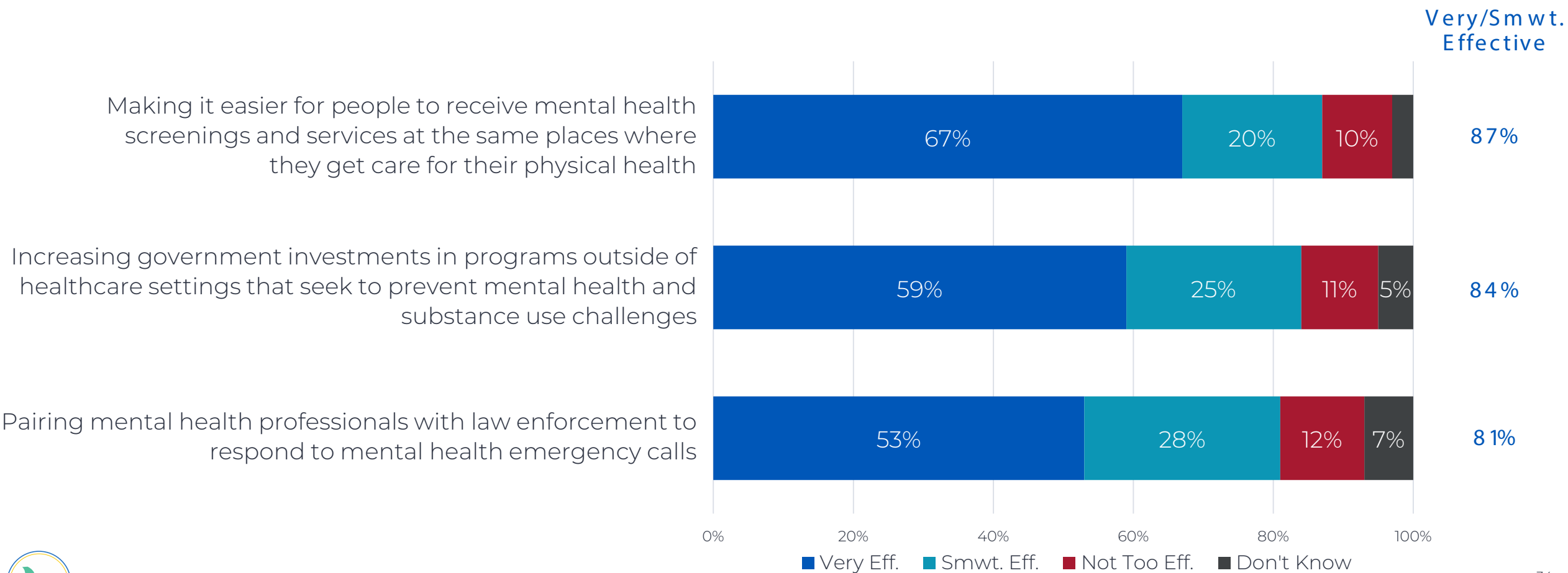
Q36. Have you discussed these concerns with any of the following people:

(Accept Multiple Responses; Asked of Those Who Experienced Mental Health Strain, n=267)



# Two-thirds of Latinos think linking mental health services to physical health providers would be a “very effective” solution.

Q37. Here are some actions that some people say will improve mental health or healthcare in Colorado. Please tell me how effective you think it will be in improving mental health or healthcare: very effective, somewhat effective, or not too effective.

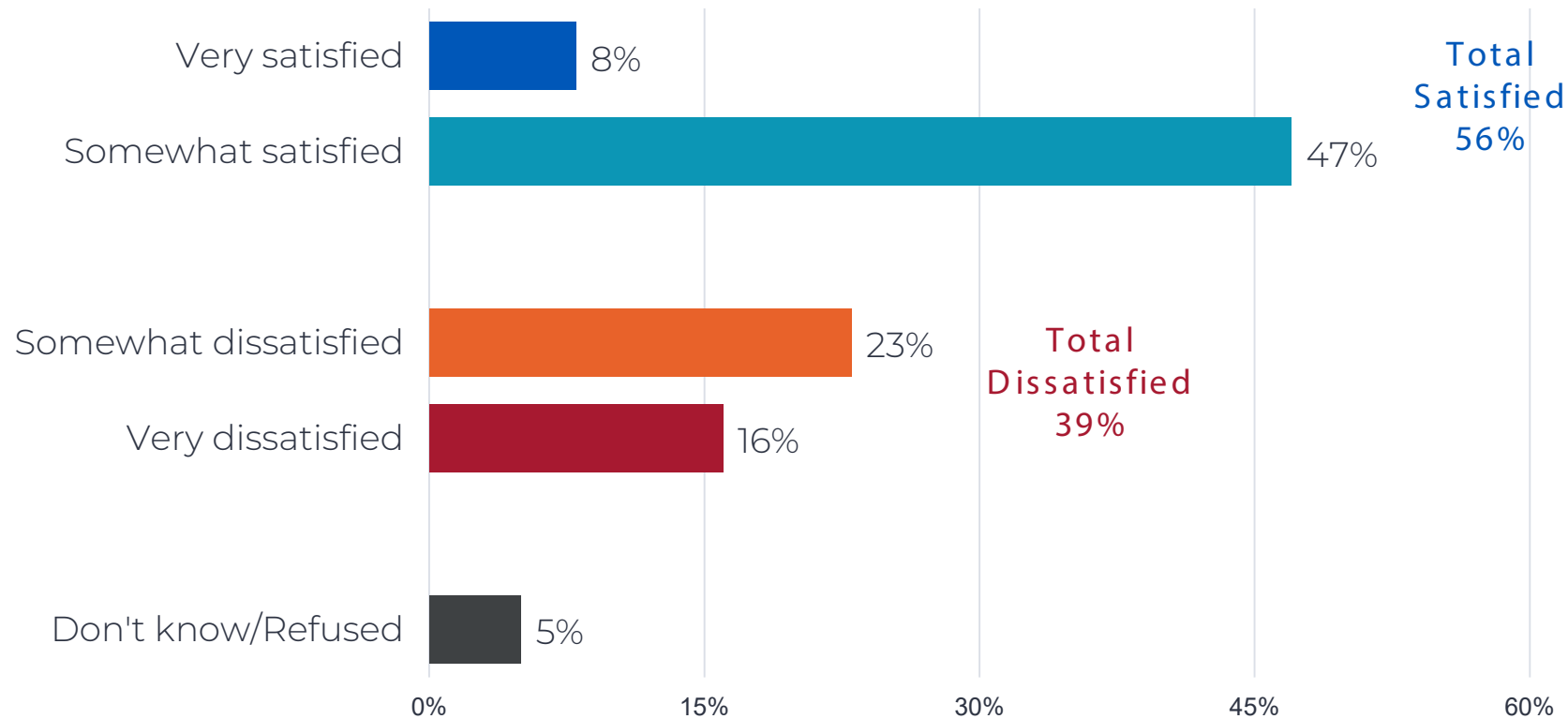




# Perceptions of State Government Effectiveness

# Most Latinos are satisfied with the performance of state government – but few feel strongly.

Q16. How satisfied are you with the state government in Colorado and how well it works for people like you?



# Younger Latinos express much higher degrees of satisfaction with state government.

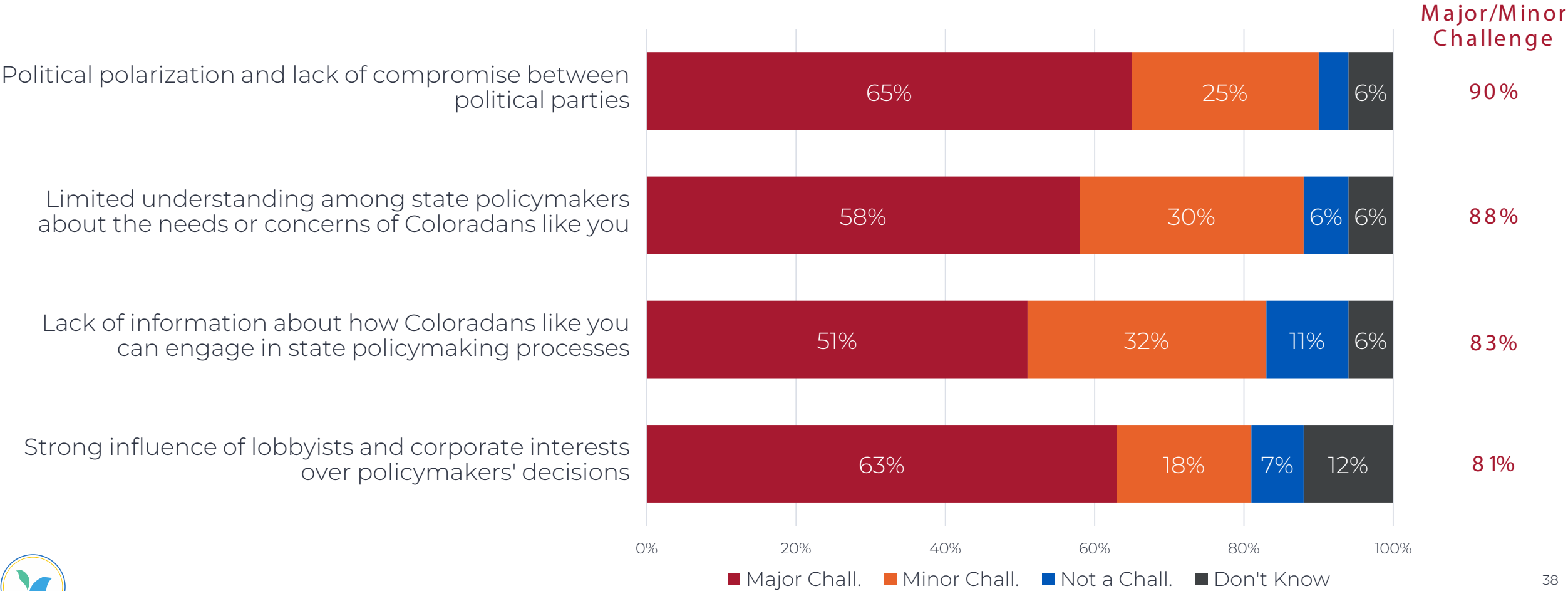
Q16. How satisfied are you with the state government in Colorado and how well it works for people like you?

Demographic Group	Total Satisfied	Total Dissatisfied	Don't Know
All	56%	39%	5%
<b>Age</b>			
18-34	65%	31%	5%
35+	48%	46%	6%
<b>Gender</b>			
Men	57%	39%	3%
Women	54%	39%	7%
<b>Household Income</b>			
<\$75,000	61%	36%	3%
\$75,000+	53%	40%	6%
<b>Other Language</b>			
Yes	59%	33%	8%
No	54%	43%	3%



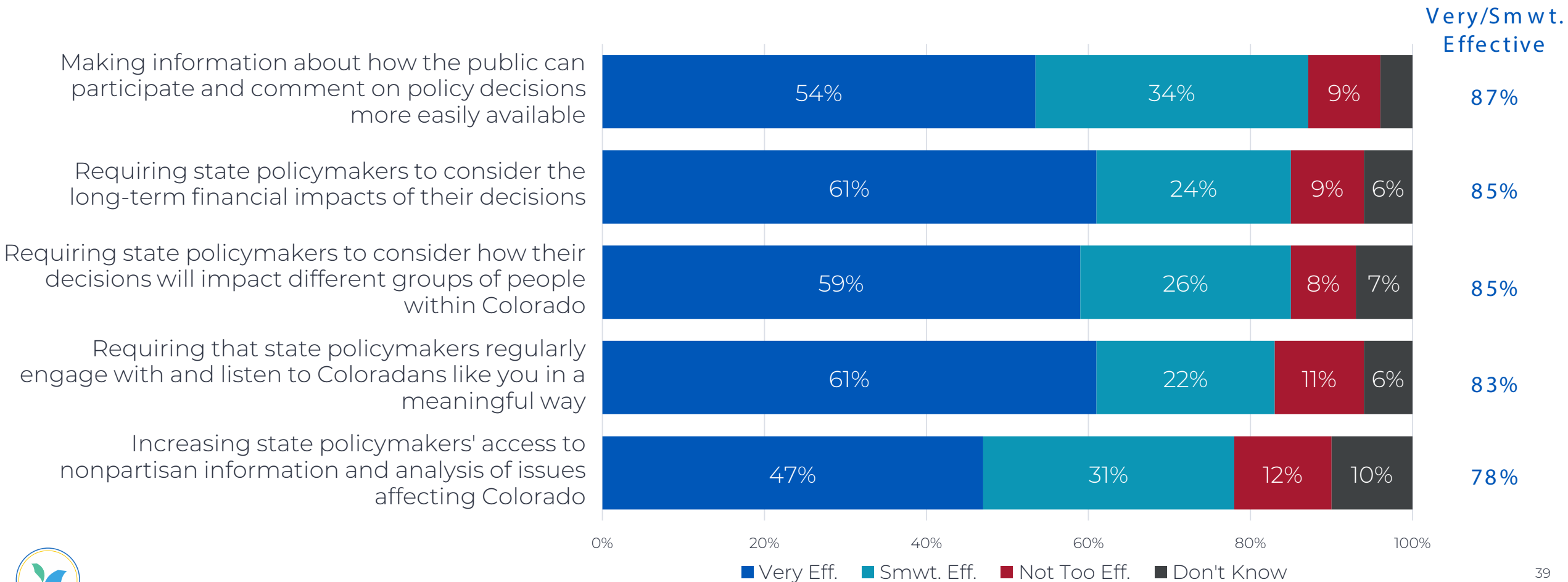
# More than three in five Latinos rate political polarization and the influence of lobbyists as “major challenges” for state government.

Q17. Here are some potential challenges that could keep Coloradans like you from being heard in state government. Please tell me whether you consider it to be a major challenge, a minor challenge, or not a challenge.



# More than three-quarters of Latinos perceive of a variety of strategies for improving policymaking as likely to be effective.

Q18. Here are some actions that some people say will improve how policy decisions are made in Colorado's state government. Please tell me how effective you think it will be in making Colorado's state government more responsive to the interests of people like you: very effective, somewhat effective, or not too effective.



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