

Oregonians' Response to Coronavirus Survey Results

March 2020



Research purpose

- To assess their attitudes and behaviors related to the coronavirus (COVID-19) public health emergency.
- The survey included a battery of questions about anxiety, sense of preparedness for coping with the outbreak, perceptions of the job performance of public leaders, and related issues.

Methodology

- Online survey of N=507 Oregonians ages 18+
- Conducted March 24–30, 2020; 15 minutes to complete
- Quotas and statistical weighting by gender, age, education, race, area of the state and political affiliation to match Oregon's general population
- Margin of error $\pm 4.4\%$
- Due to rounding, some totals may differ by ± 1 from the sum of separate responses

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GAD-7 Anxiety Scale

Over the last two weeks, how often have you been bothered by the following problems?

- Feeling nervous, anxious or on edge
- Not being able to control or stop worrying
- Worrying too much about different things
- Trouble relaxing
- Being so restless it is hard to sit still
- Becoming easily annoyed or irritable
- Feeling afraid, as if something awful might happen

Item scores

Not at all = 0

Several days = 1

More than half the days = 2

Nearly every day = 3

Total scores

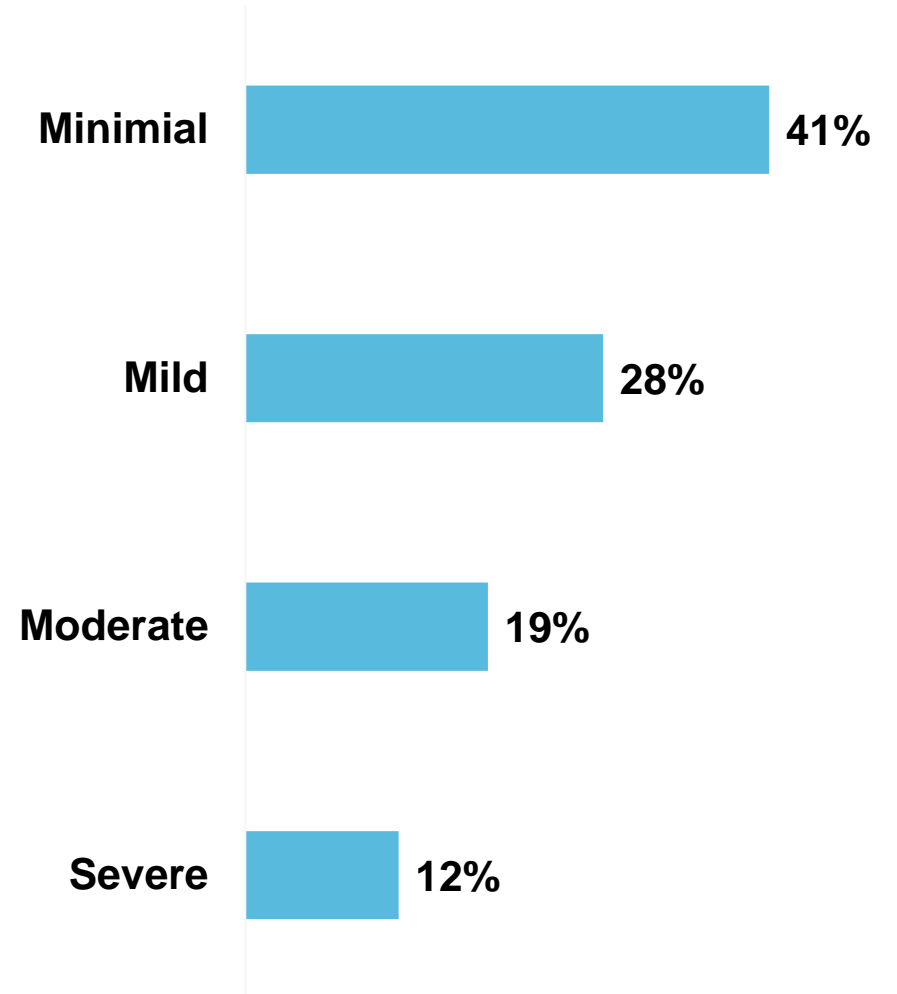
0 – 4 Minimal

5 – 9 Mild anxiety

10 – 14 Moderate anxiety

15 – 21 Severe anxiety

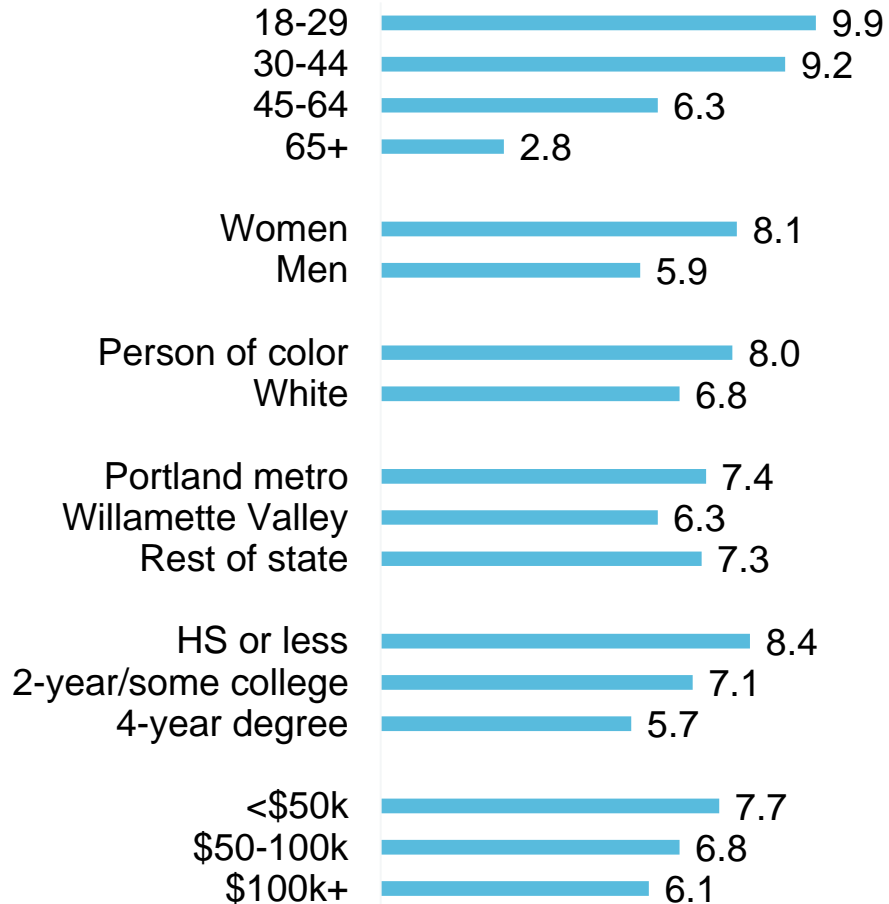
Oregonians' anxiety levels



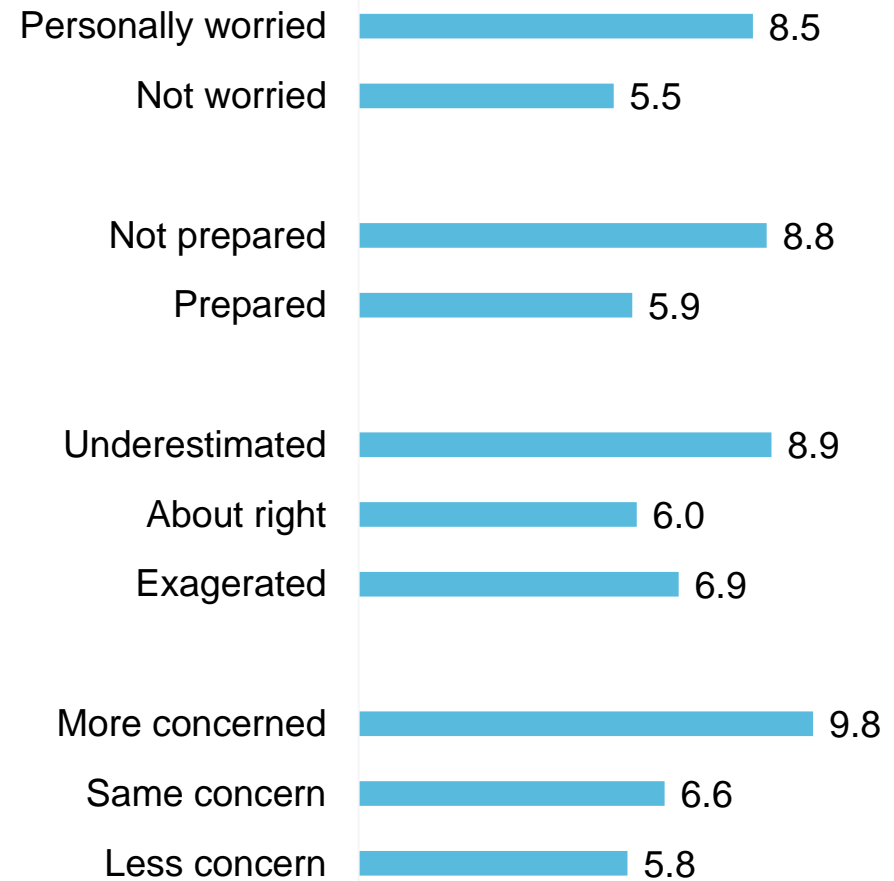
Average GAD-7 scores

scale 0-21, higher scores more anxiety

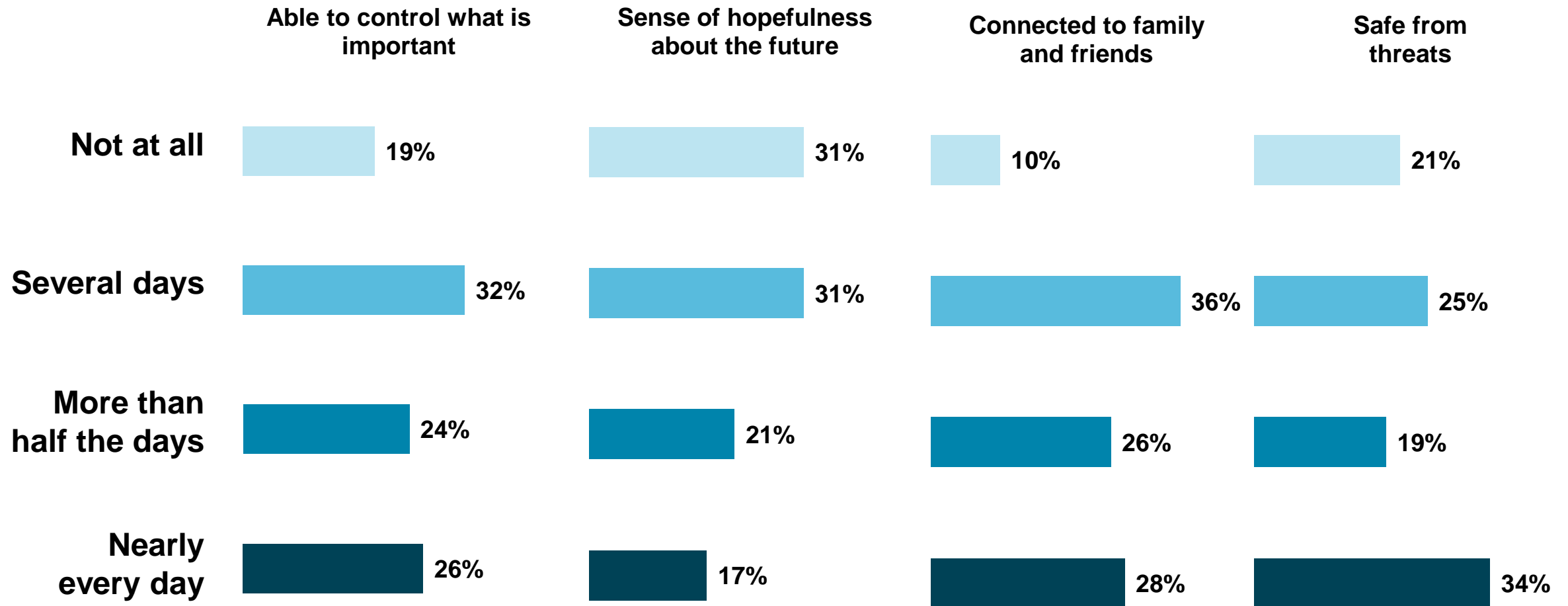
Demographics



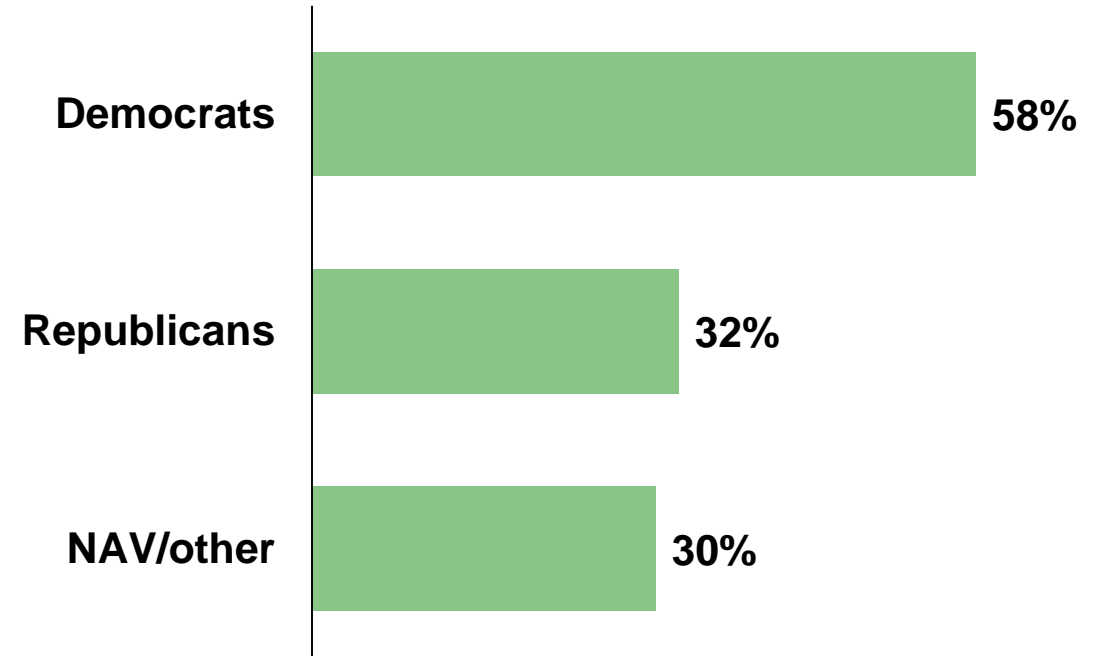
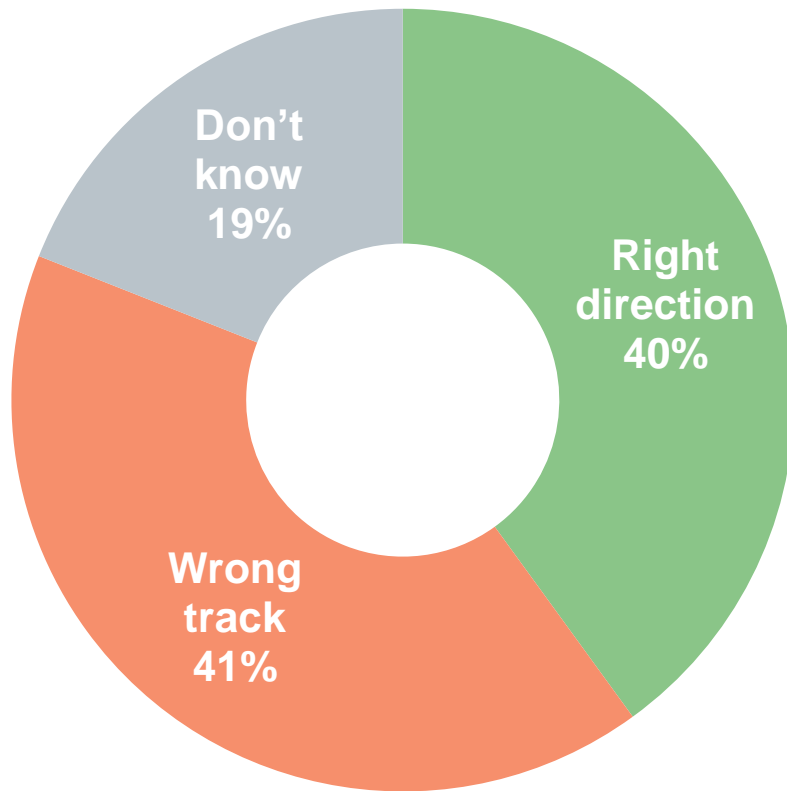
Coronavirus attitudes



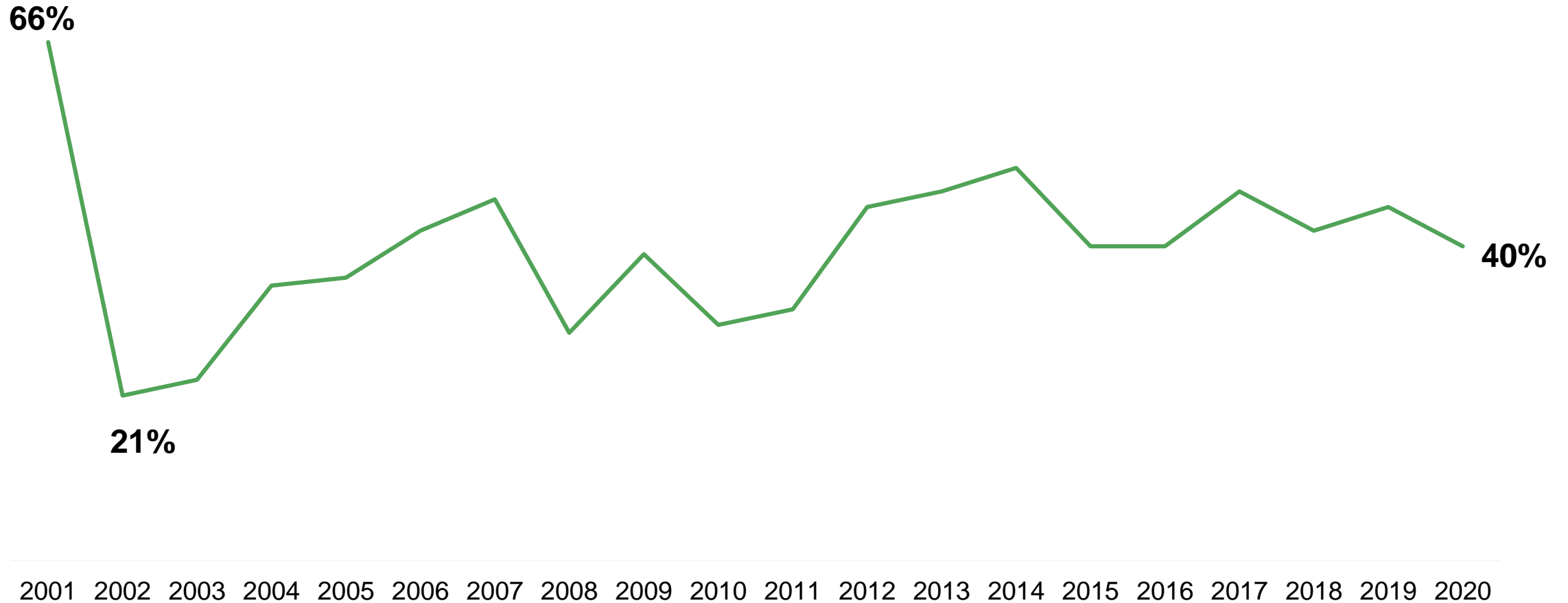
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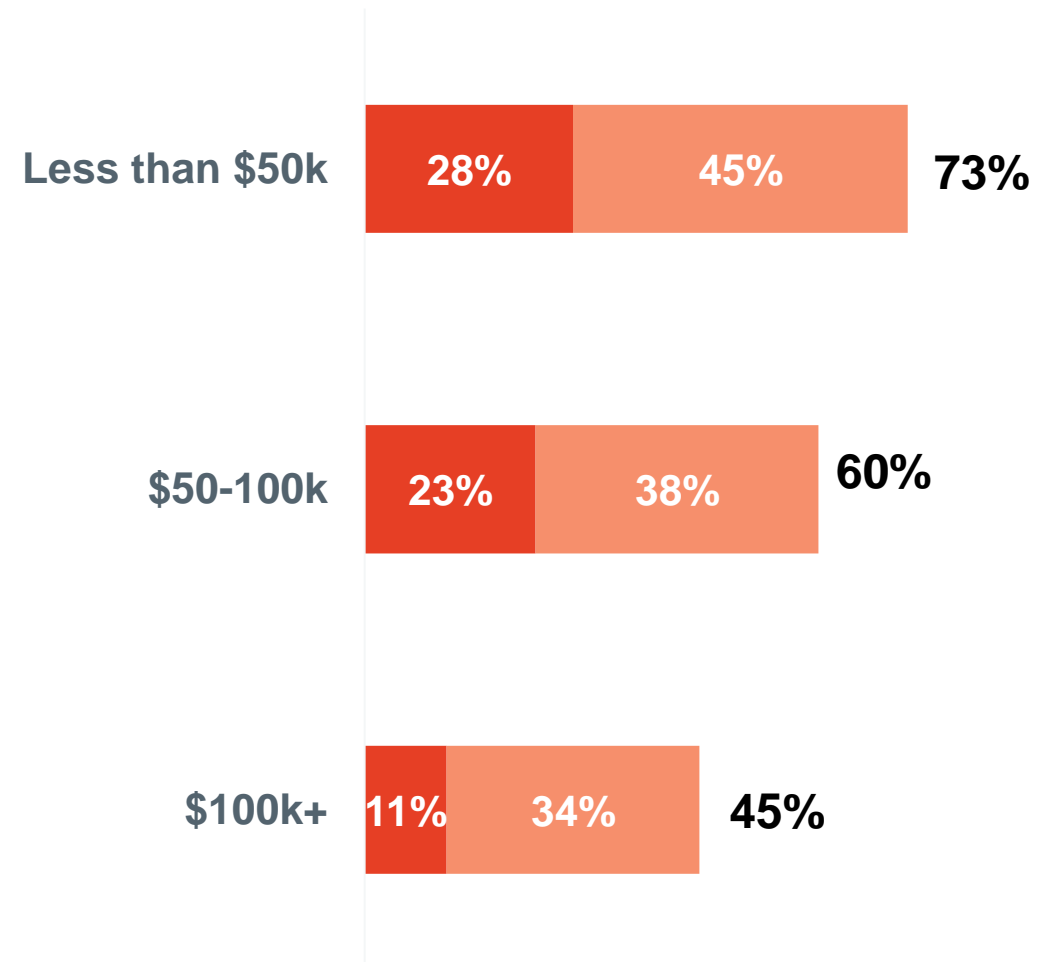
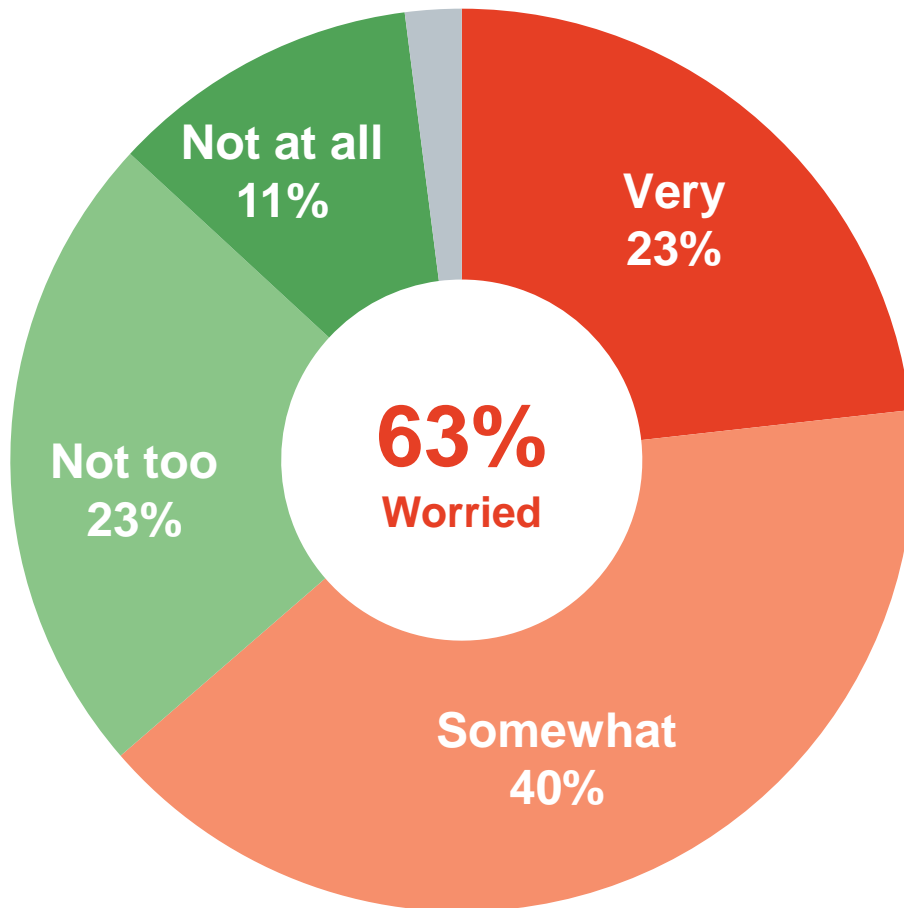
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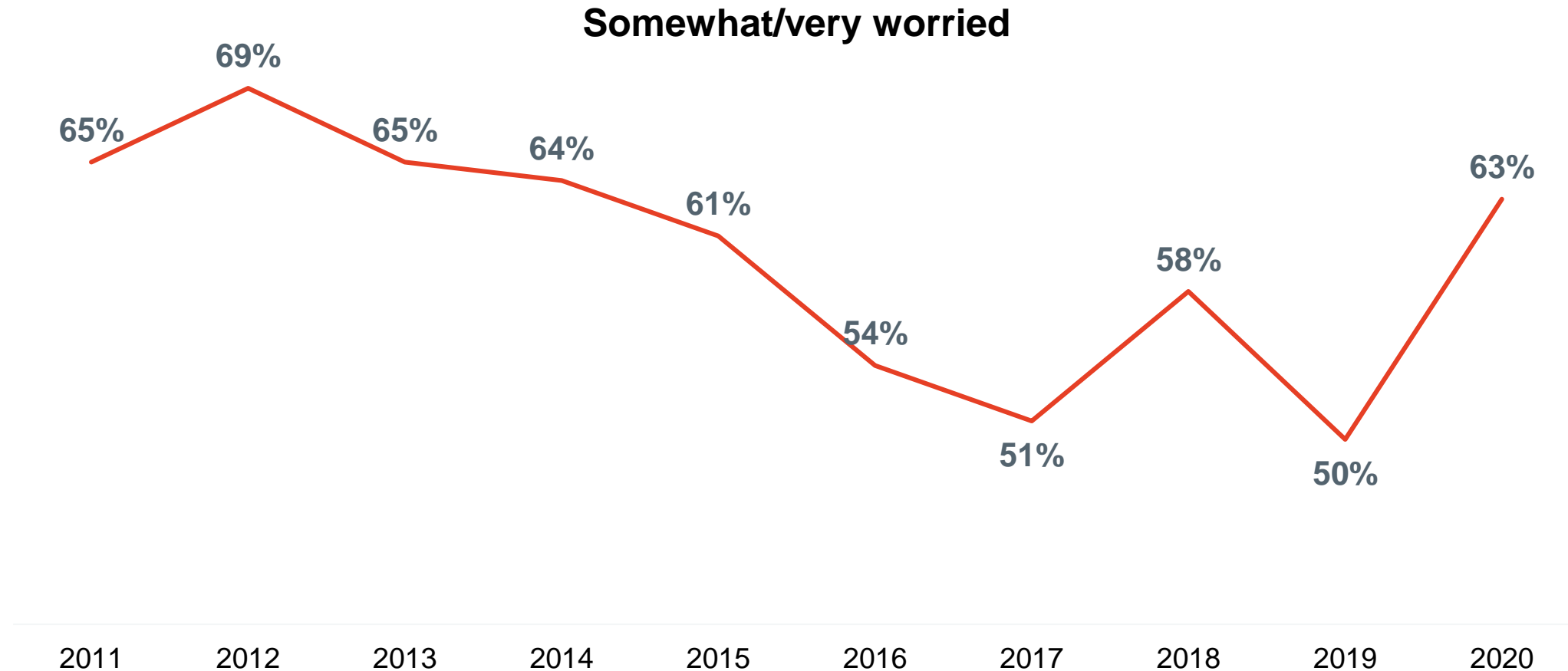
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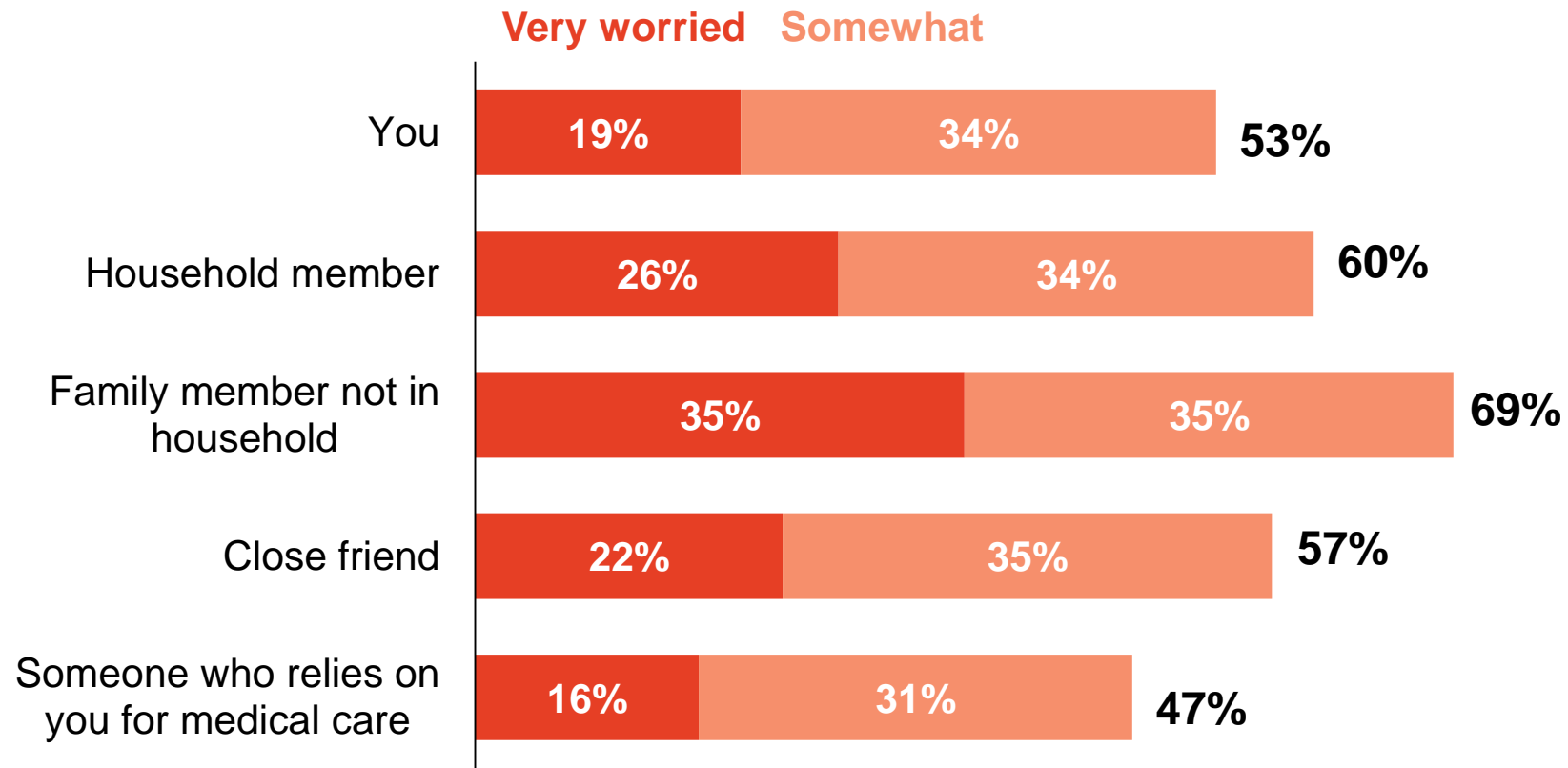


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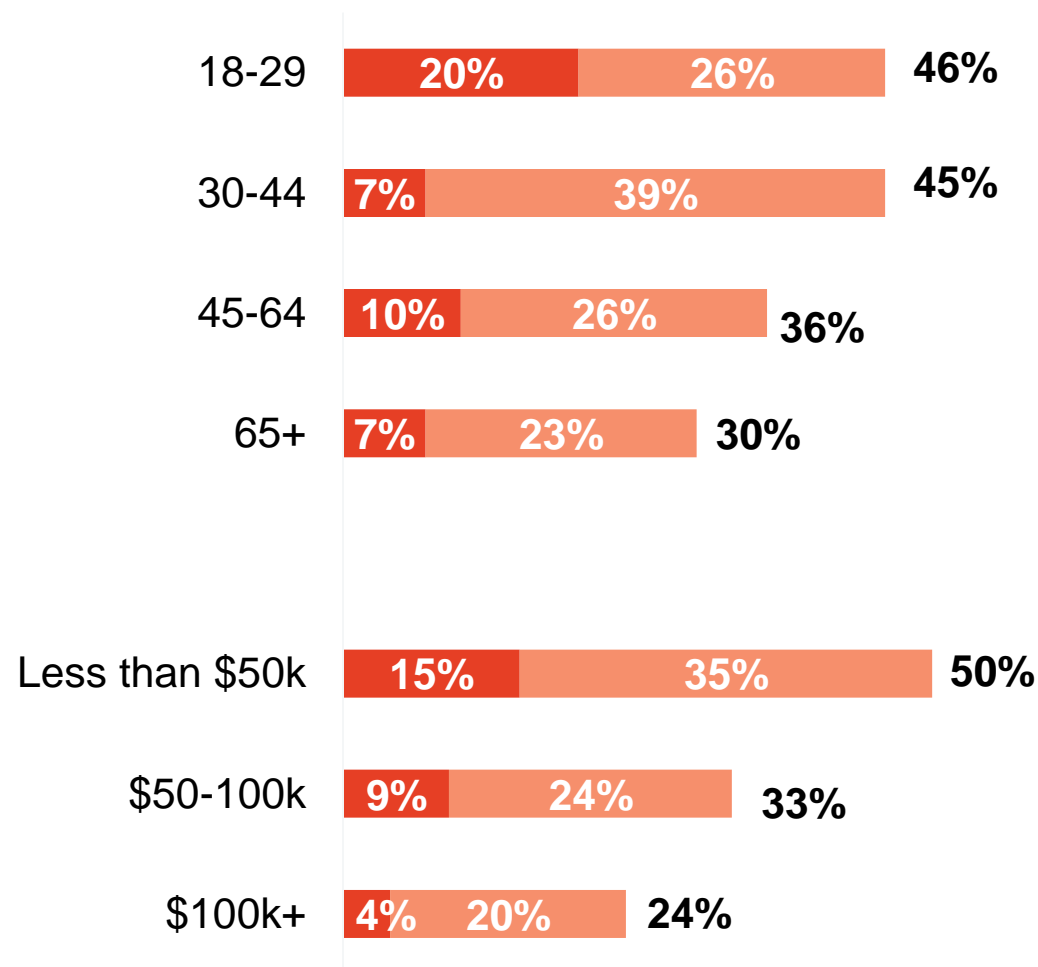
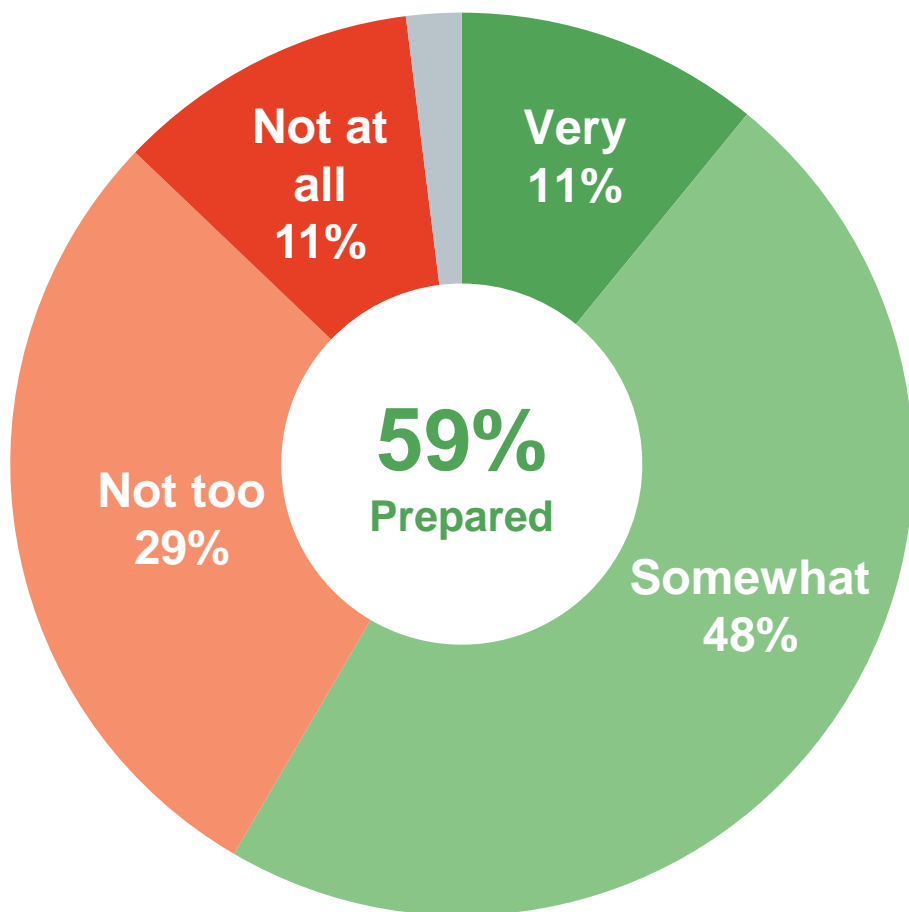


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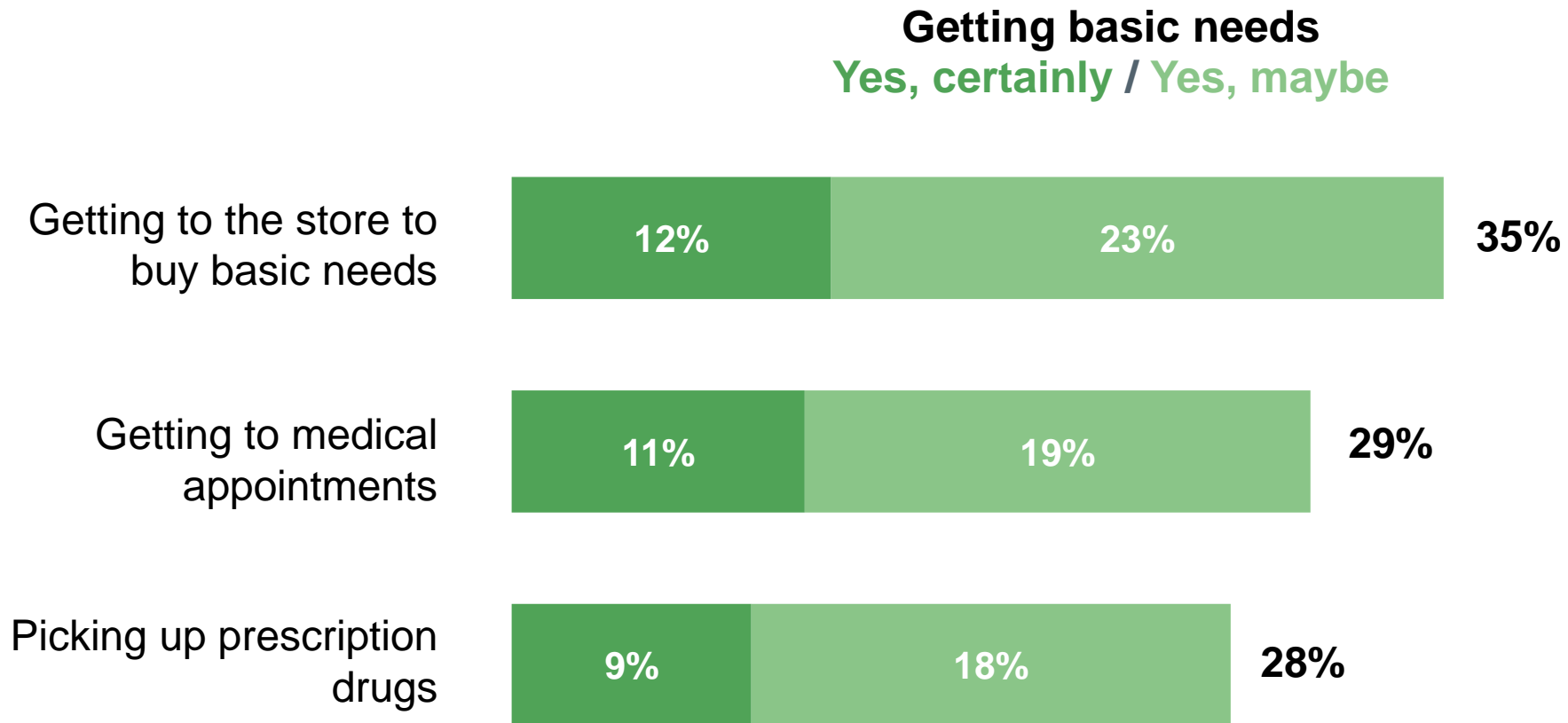
How worried are you that the following people will be infected with coronavirus?



How prepared are you to deal with a coronavirus infection if you or someone in your household contracted the virus?

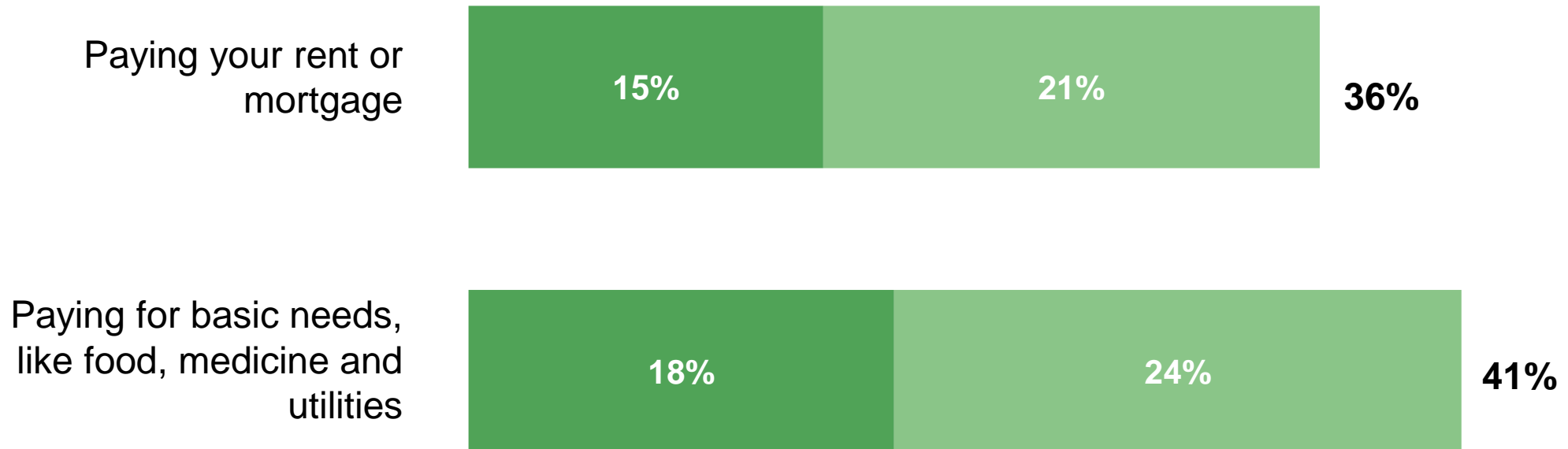


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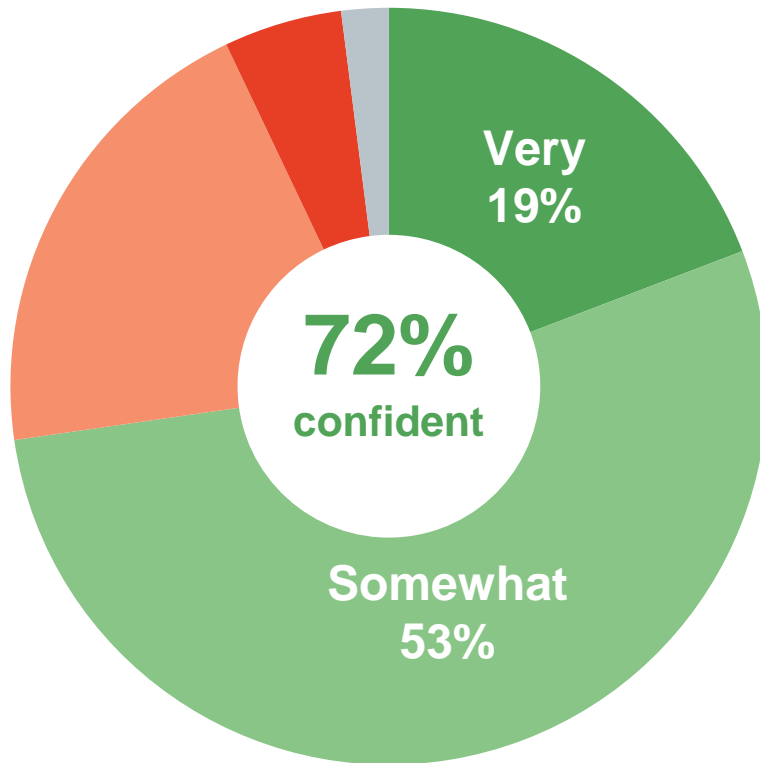
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Paying for essential living expenses Yes, certainly / Yes, maybe

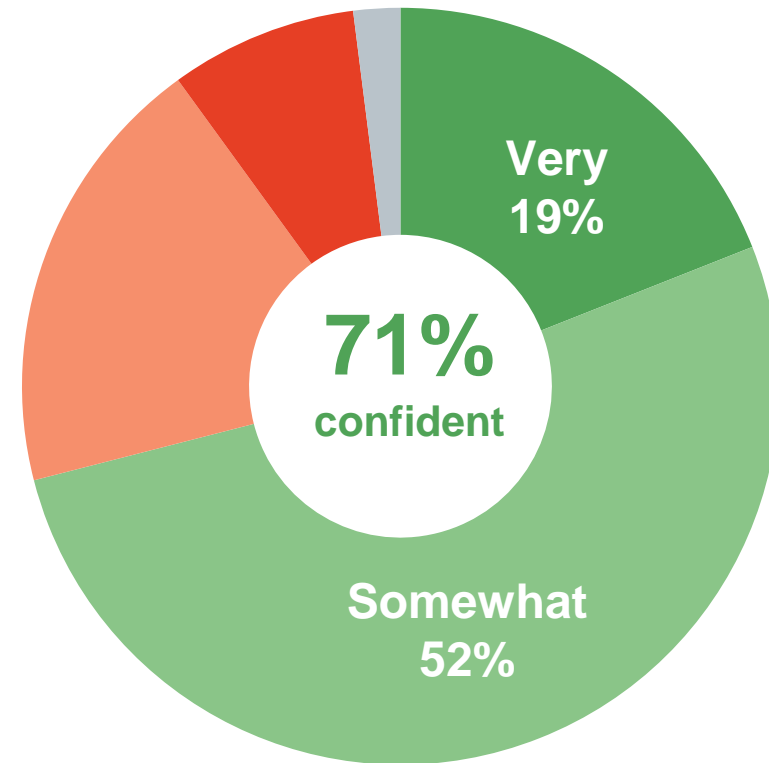


How confident are you...

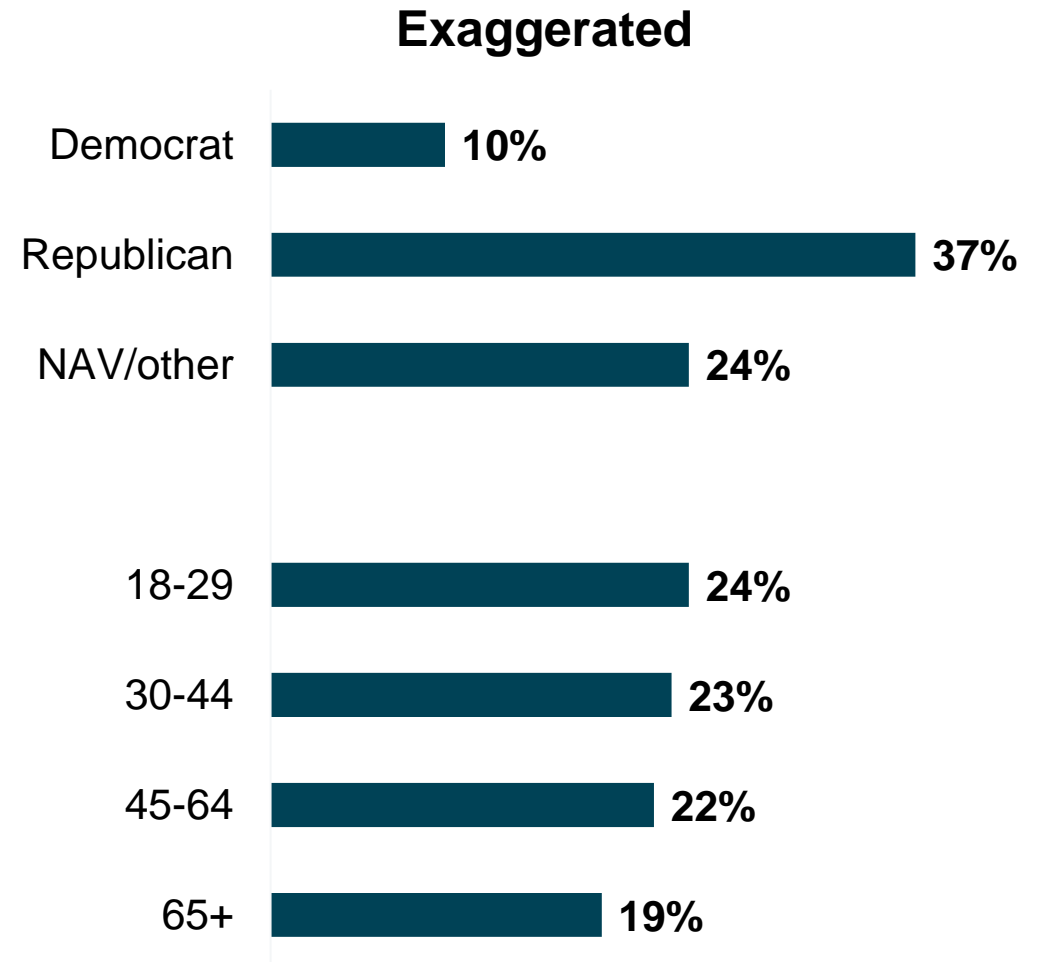
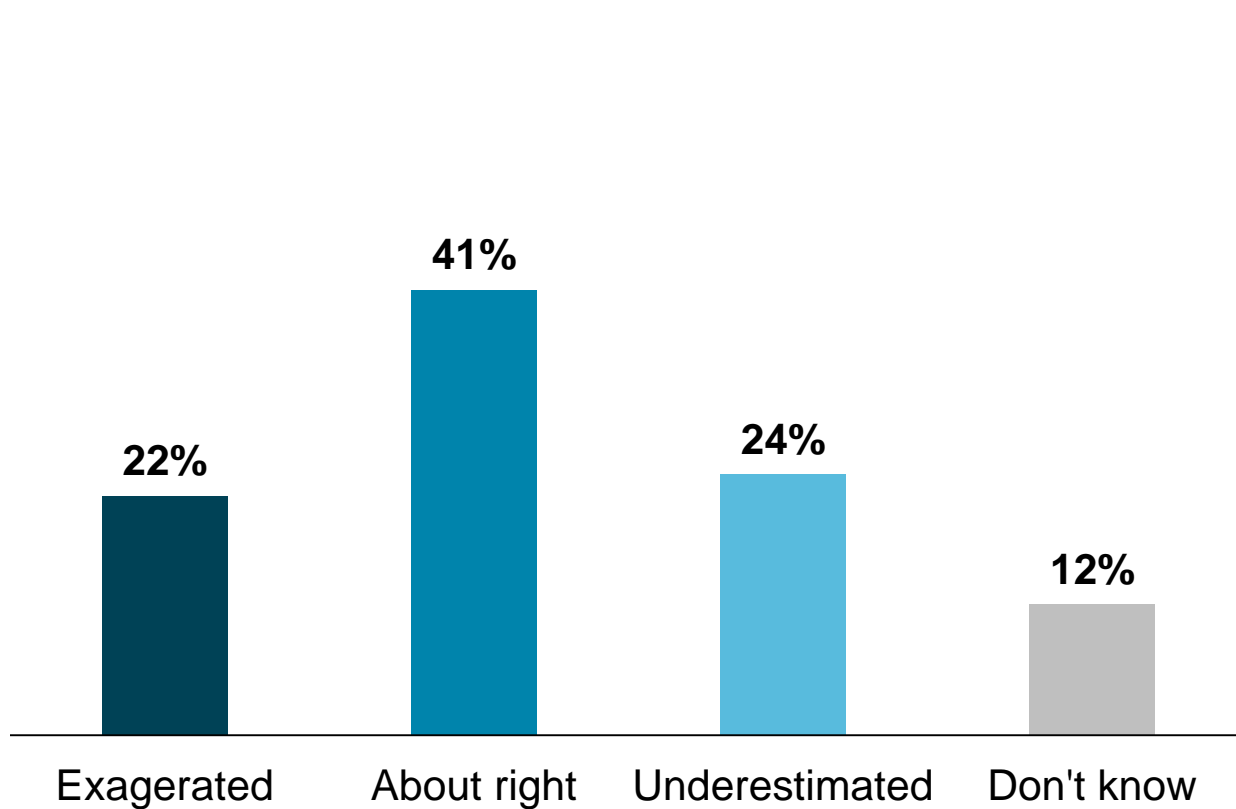
That you would recognize the symptoms of coronavirus?



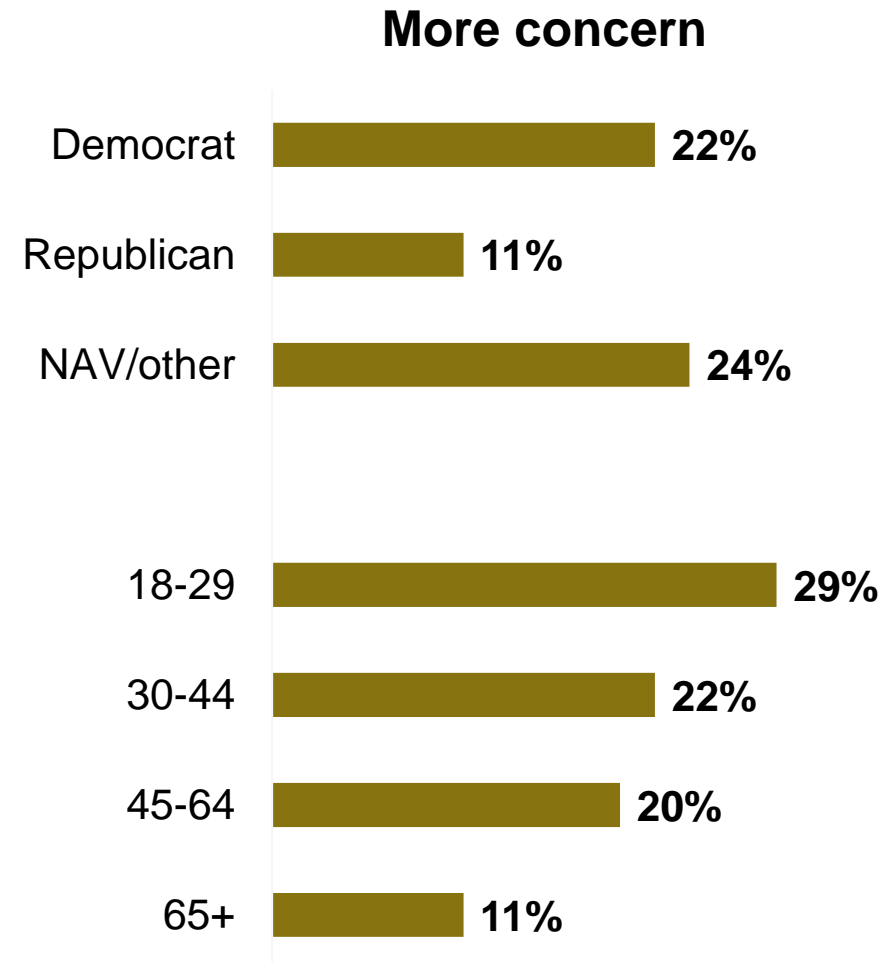
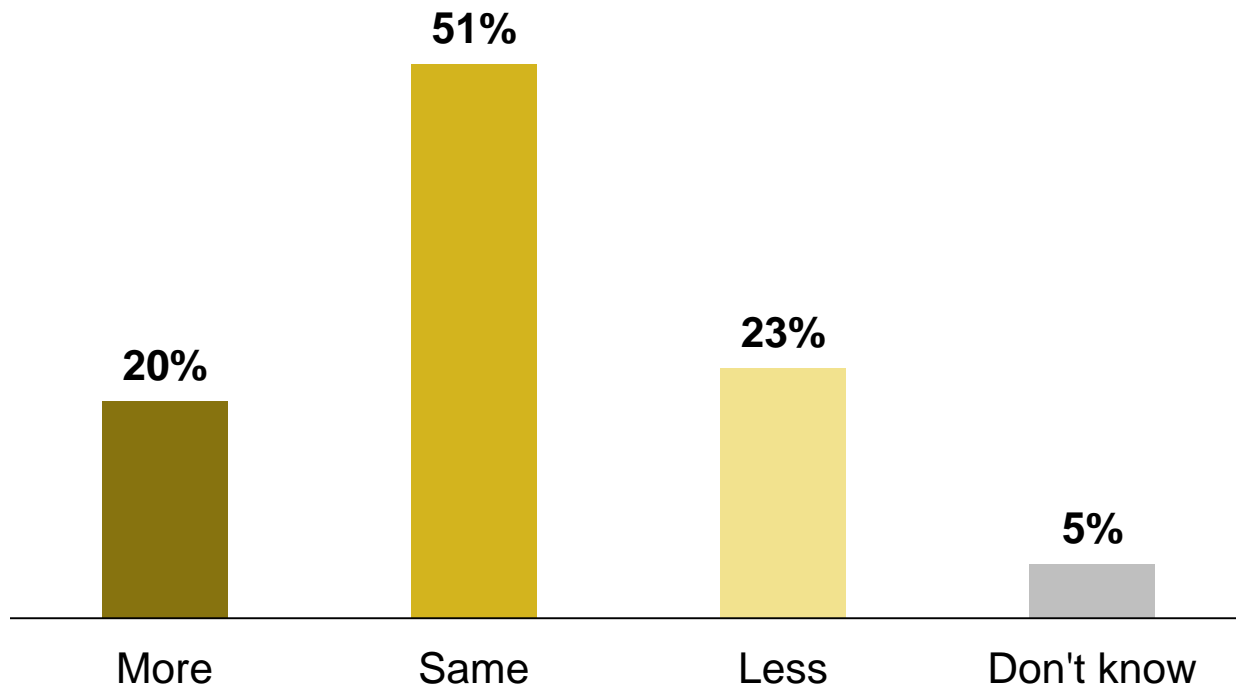
That you would know what to do if you or a member of your household developed coronavirus symptoms?



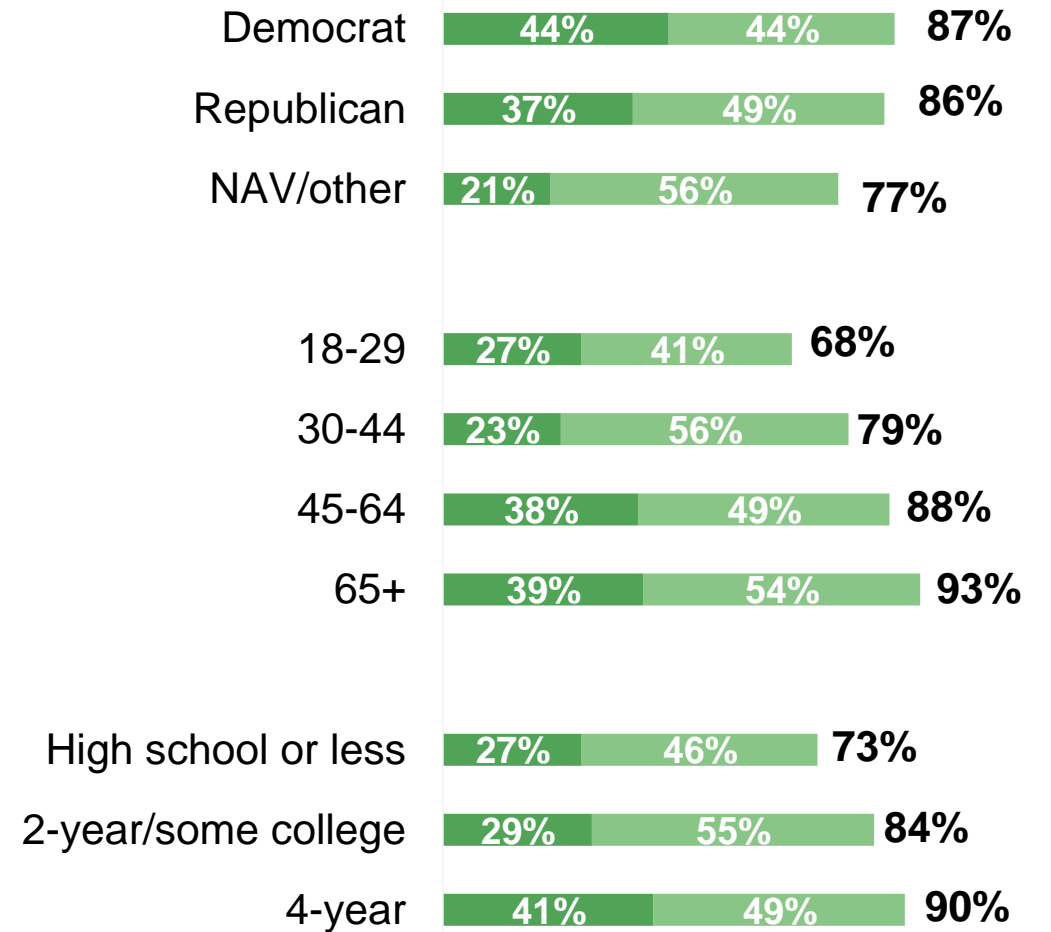
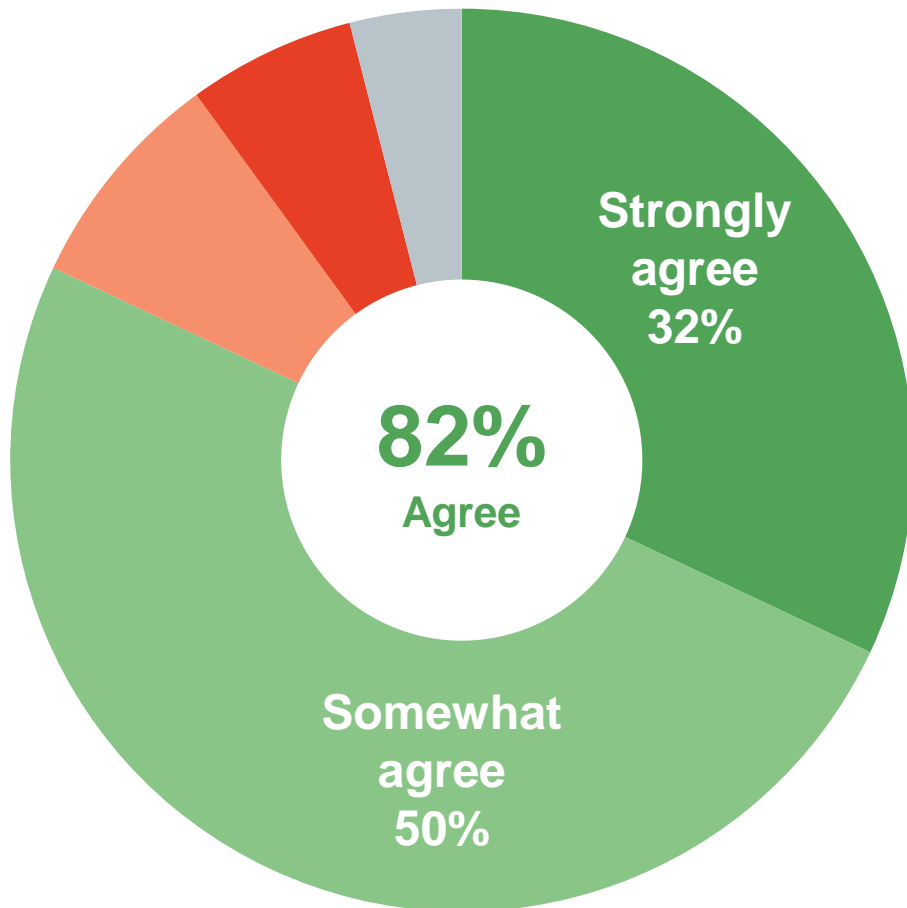
Do you think that the news coverage of coronavirus has been exaggerated, been about right, or underestimated?



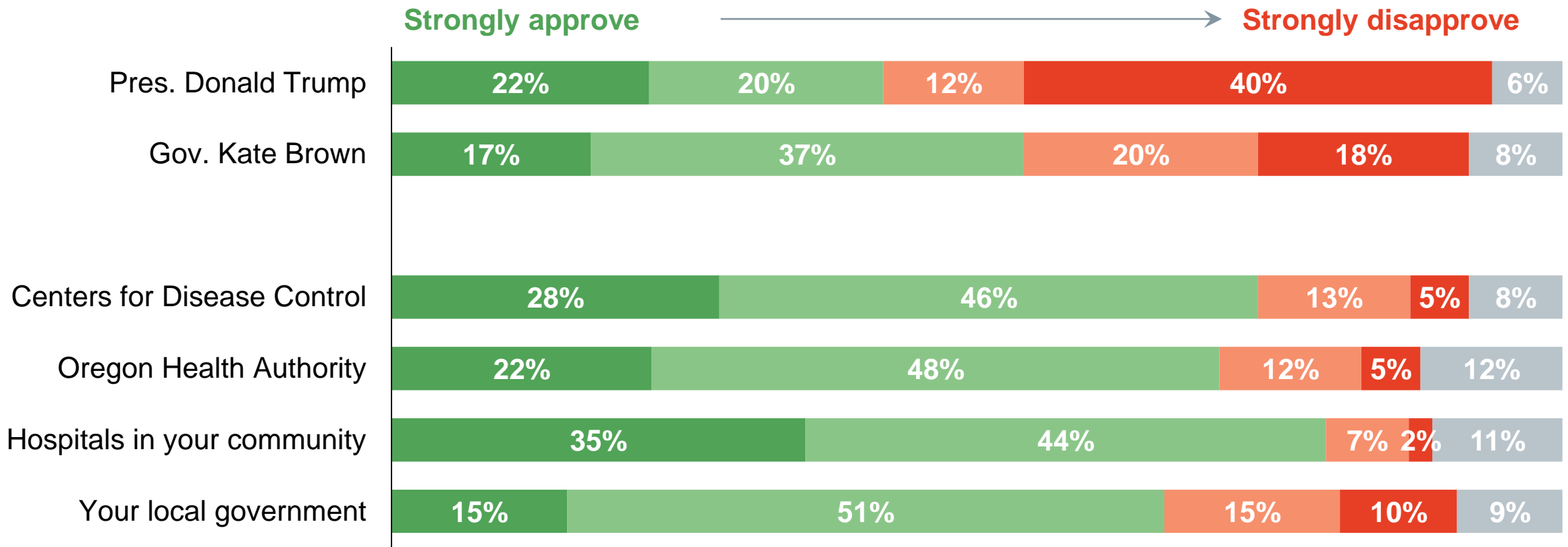
Compared to other people in your life, do you have more concern about coronavirus, about the same concern, or less concern?



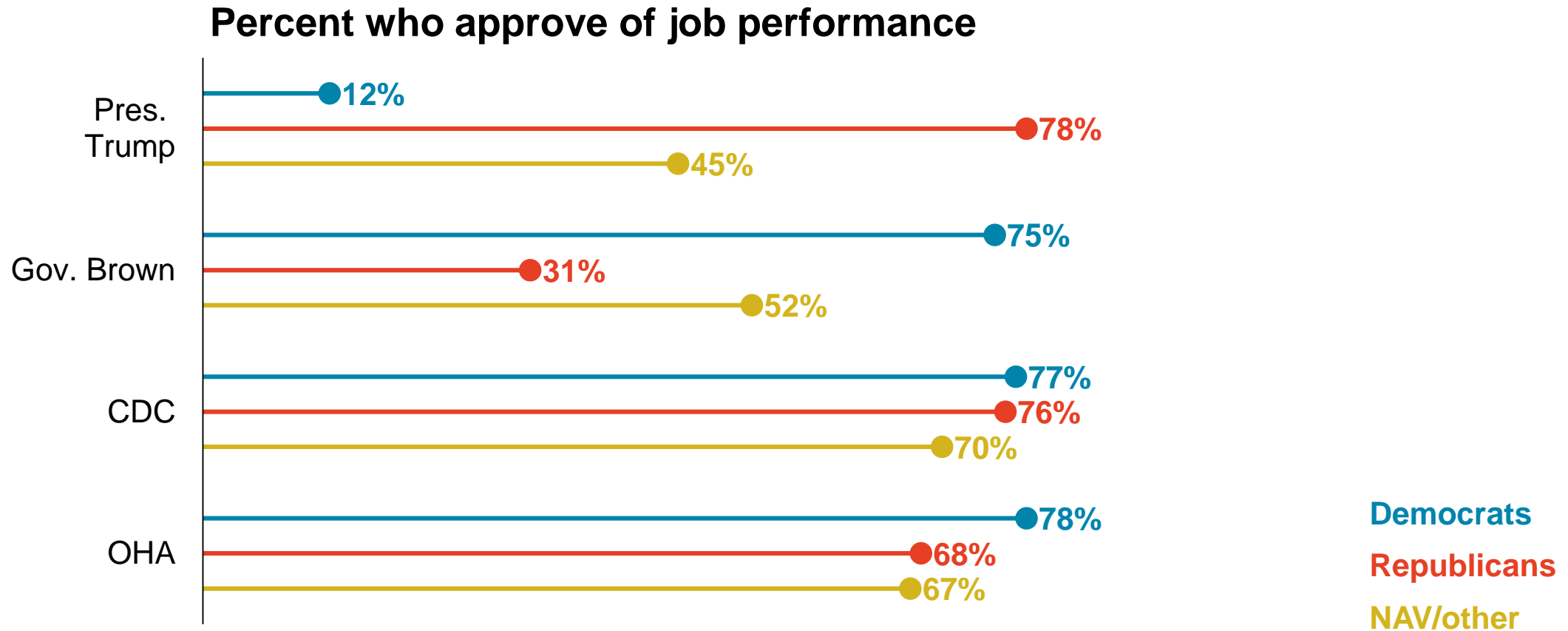
I know where to find credible information about coronavirus.



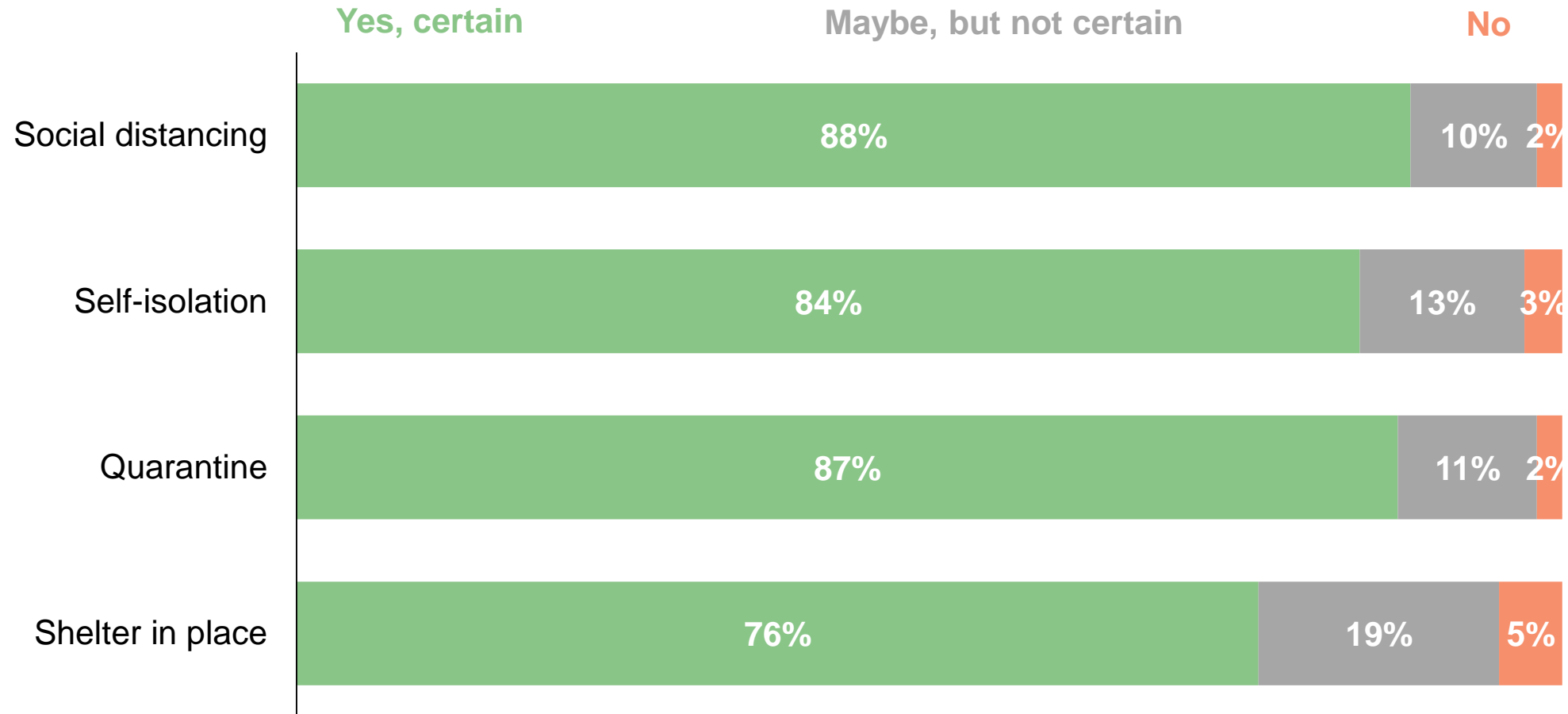
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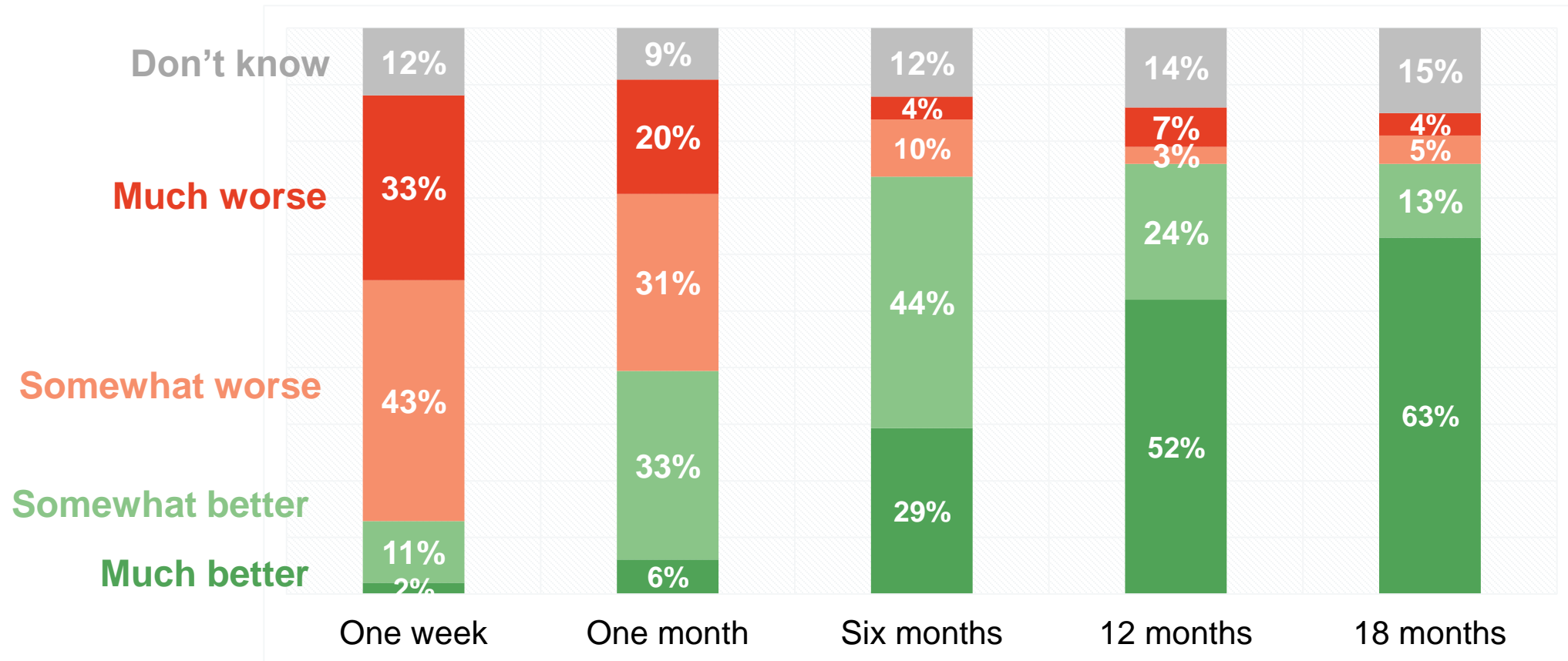
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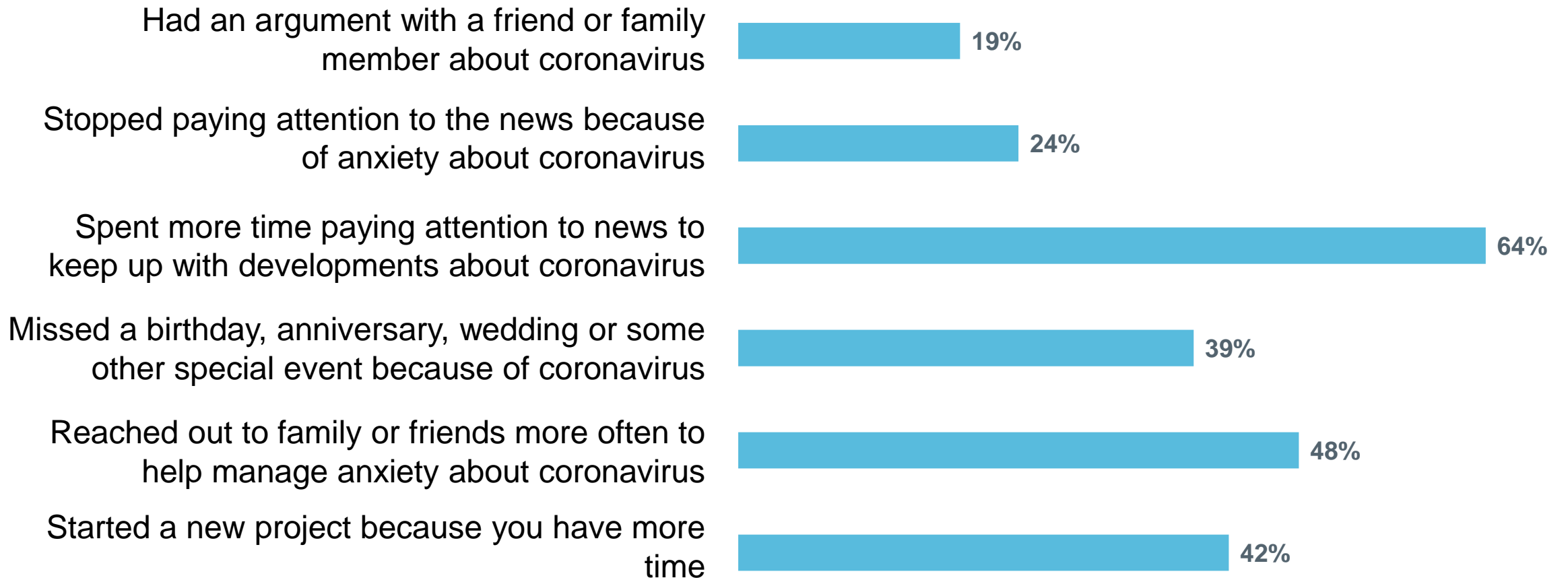
Do think you know what these terms mean?



Do you think the problems associated with coronavirus will be better, the same or worse in....



Since coronavirus arrived in Oregon in early March, have you done any of the following?



Should local governments keep funding measures on the ballot?

Continue as planned. There are many community needs in addition to managing coronavirus and voters should be able to decide what to fund.



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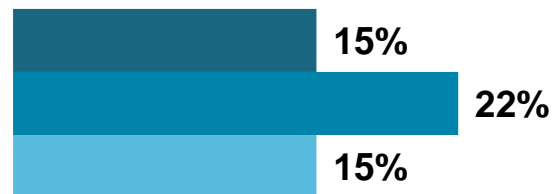
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