



Straw Poll

CPAC Attendee Survey

March 25th – 28th

Presented By:

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Methodology

The survey was available to CPAC attendees from Wednesday, March 25th to Saturday March 28th. A total of 1,630 CPAC attendees participated in the survey.

Participants completed the survey through the official CPAC Straw Poll Link or the App.

For security purposes, each CPAC attendee was assigned a unique, six-digit PIN code with their registration materials. To complete the survey, respondents were required to enter their PIN code as well as the surname used to register, ensuring that only CPAC registrants could participate.



Republicans turn on Trump at CPAC: “Can’t stand the guy”

-Newsweek, March 27, 2026

The war in Iran is driving a generational divide between MAGA men at CPAC

-Politico, March 28, 2026

Republican Divide on Iran

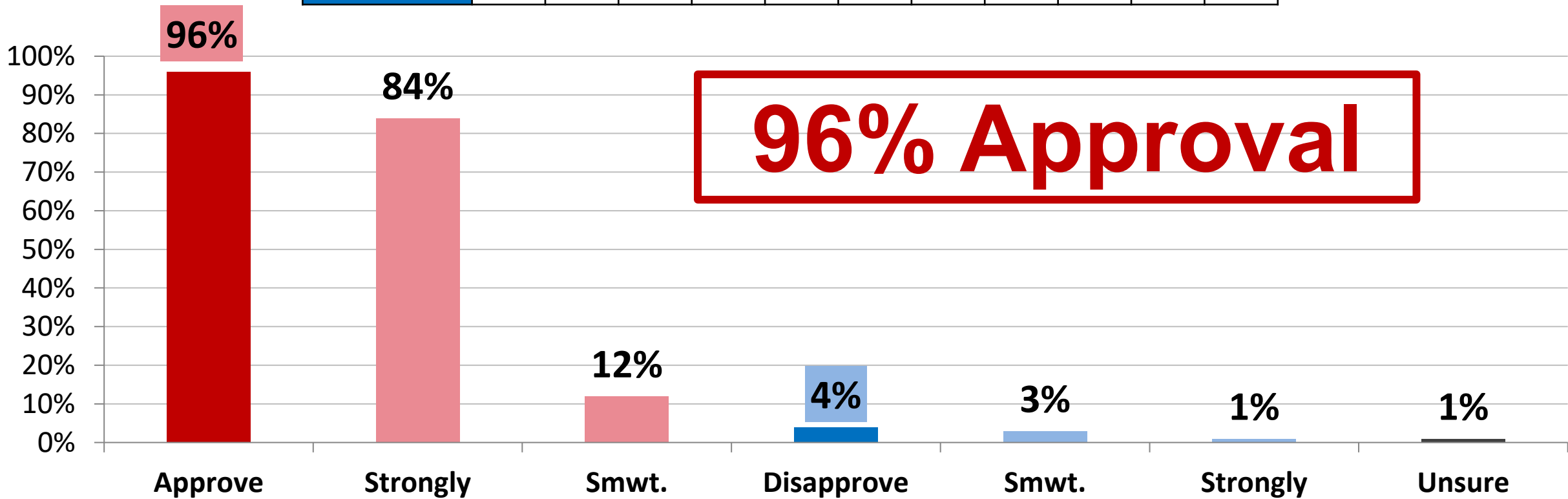
“Trump’s decision to go to war loomed over the Conservative Political Action Conference. The confab has often served as a sort of MAGA pep rally, with near universal support for Trump and his agenda. But this year the conference laid bare the rift among Trump’s MAGA base over the Middle East conflict...”

-Wall Street Journal, March 28, 2026



Do you approve or disapprove of the job that Donald Trump is doing as President?

	2/17	2/18	3/19	2/20	2/21	2/22	8/22	3/23	2/24	2/25	3/26
Approve	86%	93%	91%	95%	97%	97%	99%	95%	96%	99%	96%
Disapprove	12%	6%	9%	5%	3%	3%	1%	4%	3%	1%	4%

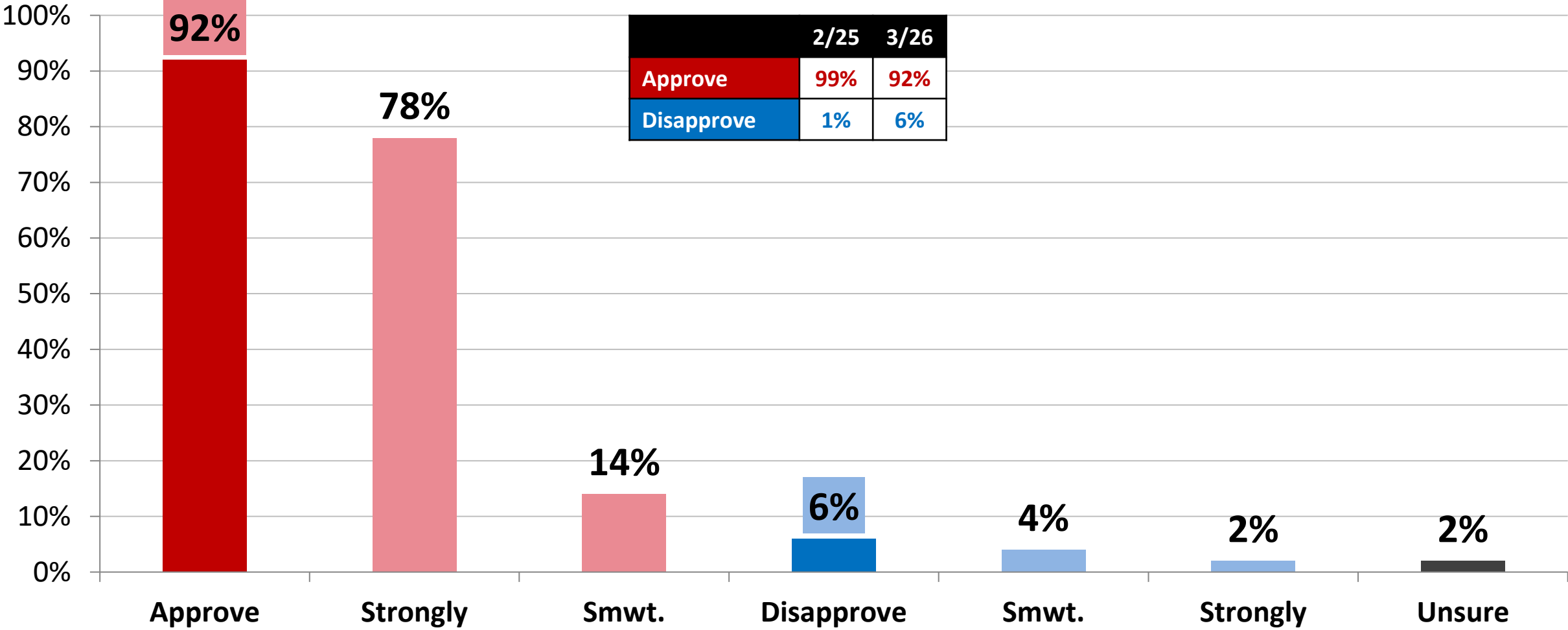


*2/21-2/24 asked as "Do you approve or disapprove of the job Donald Trump did as President?"

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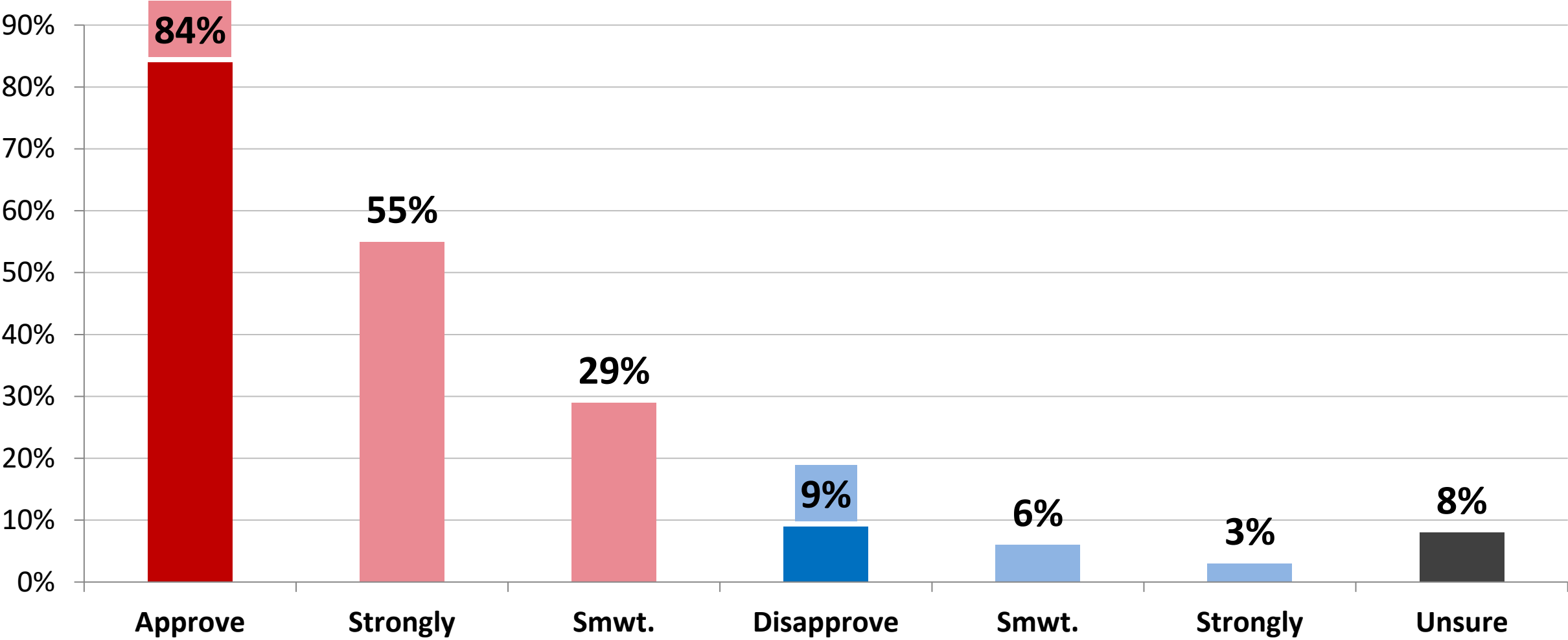
Do you approve or disapprove of the job that J.D. Vance is doing as Vice President of the United States?



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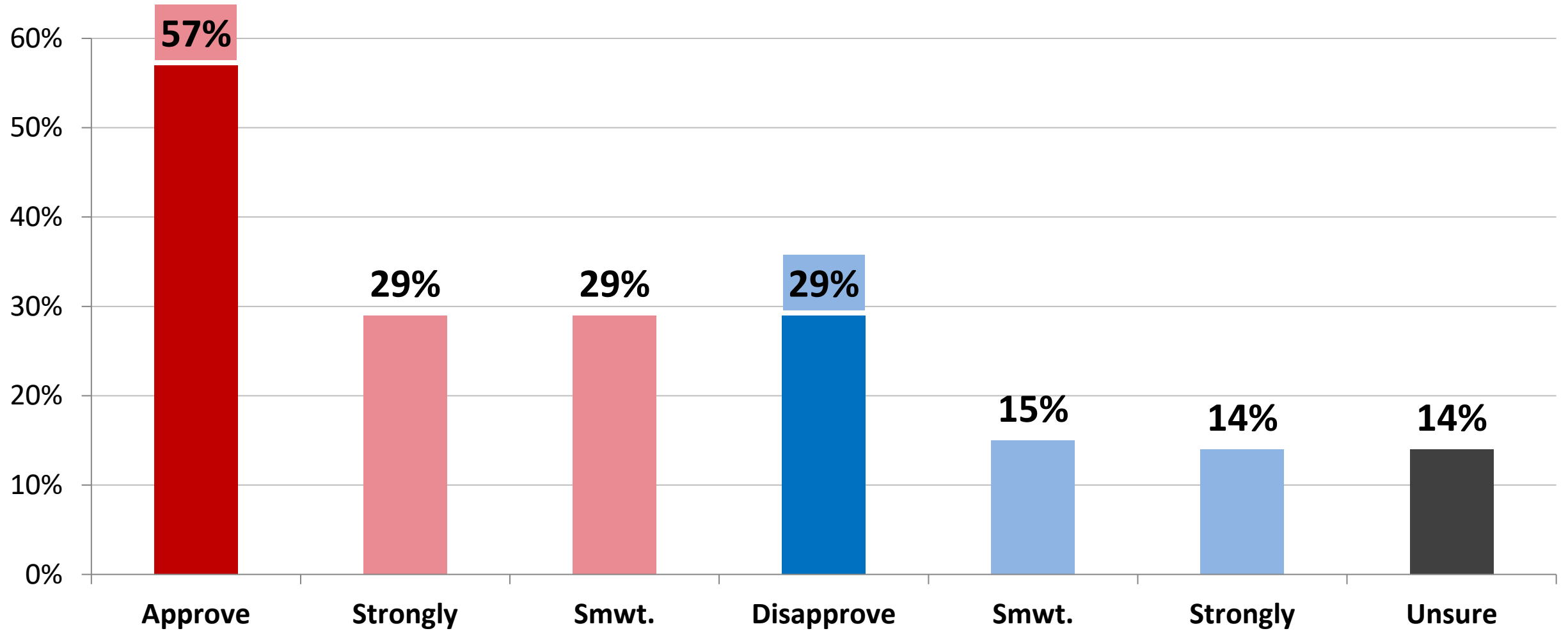
Do you approve or disapprove of the job that Mike Johnson is doing as Speaker of the House of Representatives?



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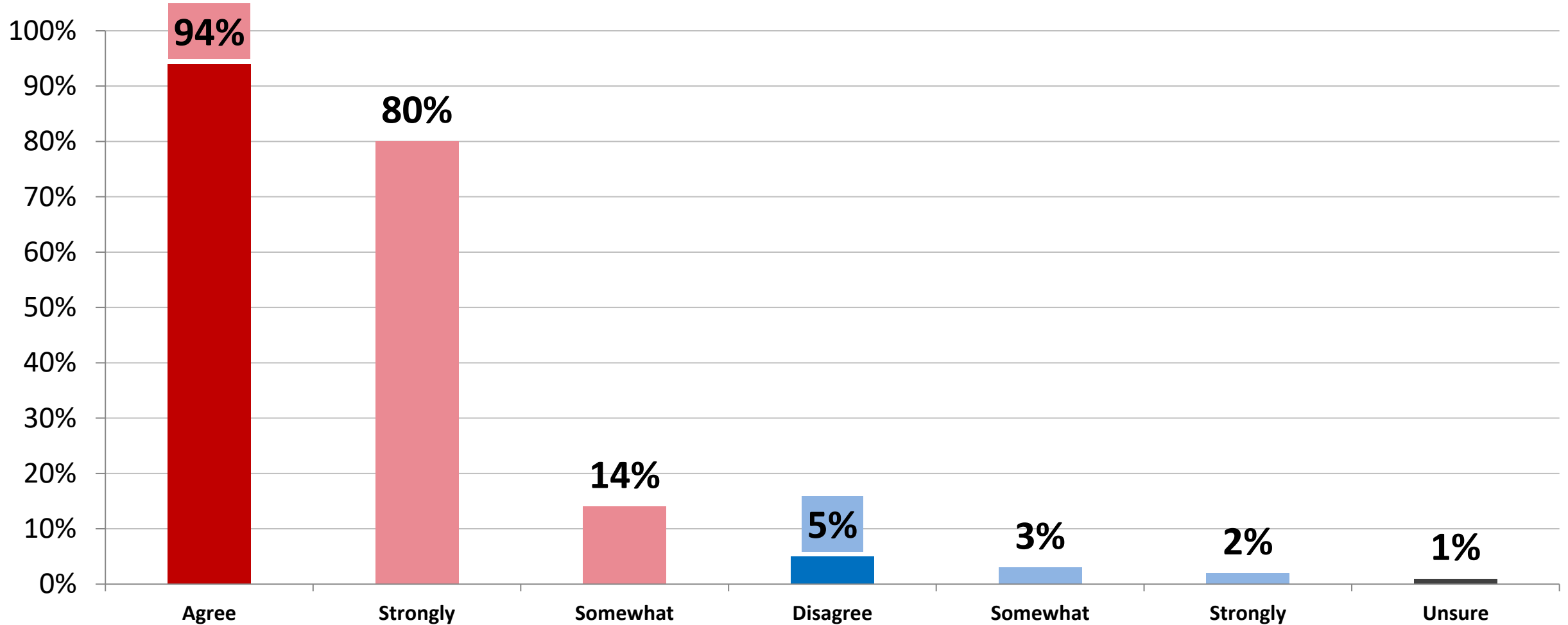
Do you approve or disapprove of the job John Thune is doing as the Senate Majority Leader?



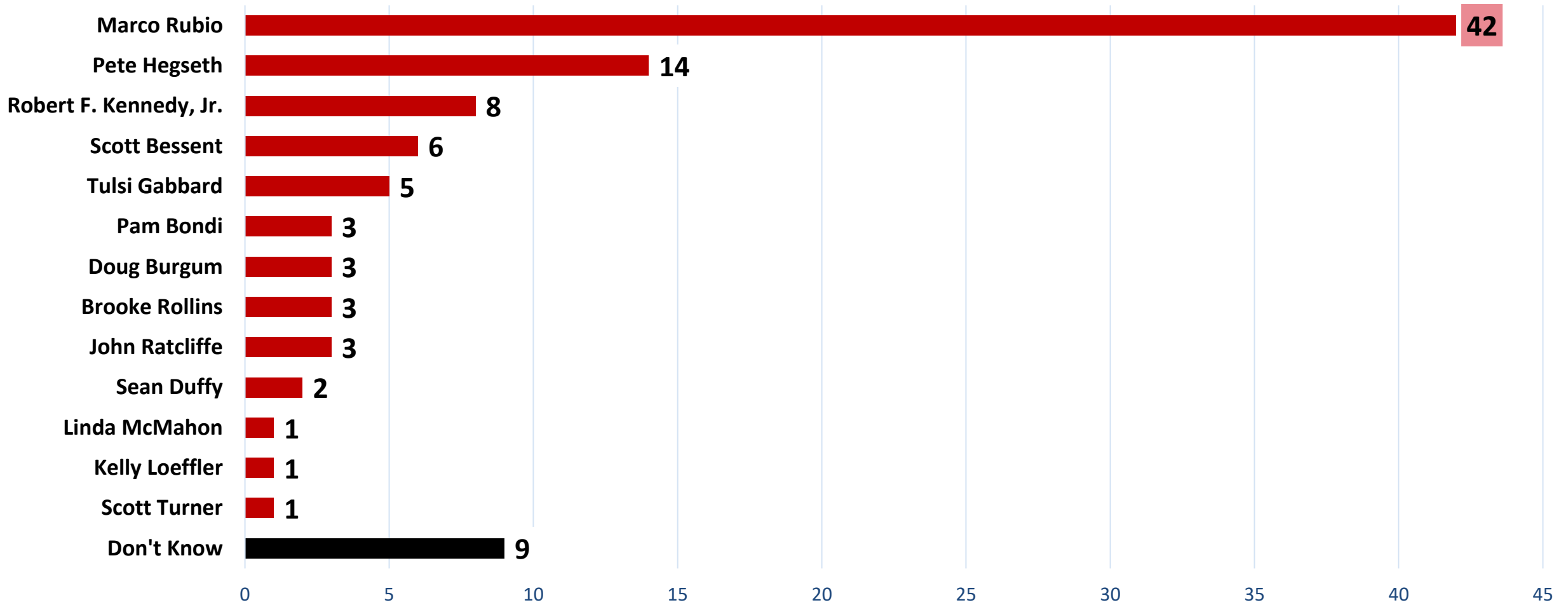
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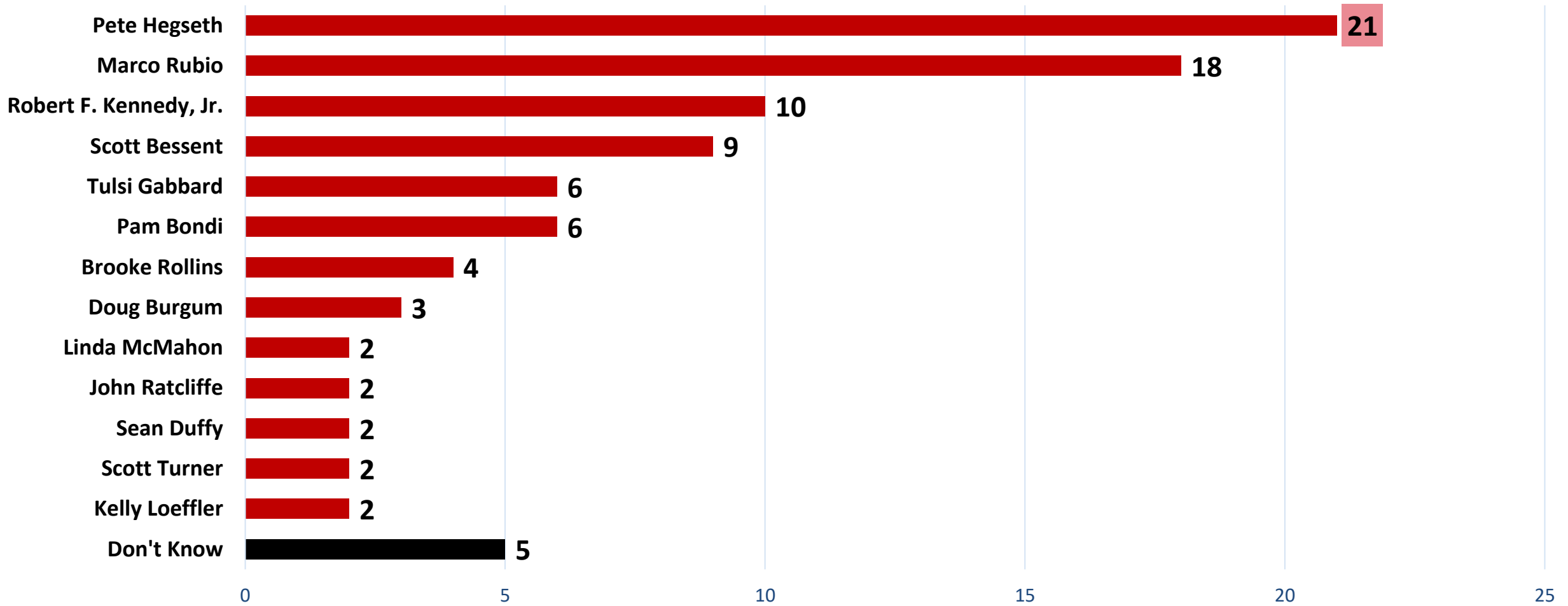
Would you say that you agree or disagree with the following statement? *“Donald Trump has been the best President in my lifetime.”*



From the following list, who is your favorite member of Donald Trump's Cabinet?

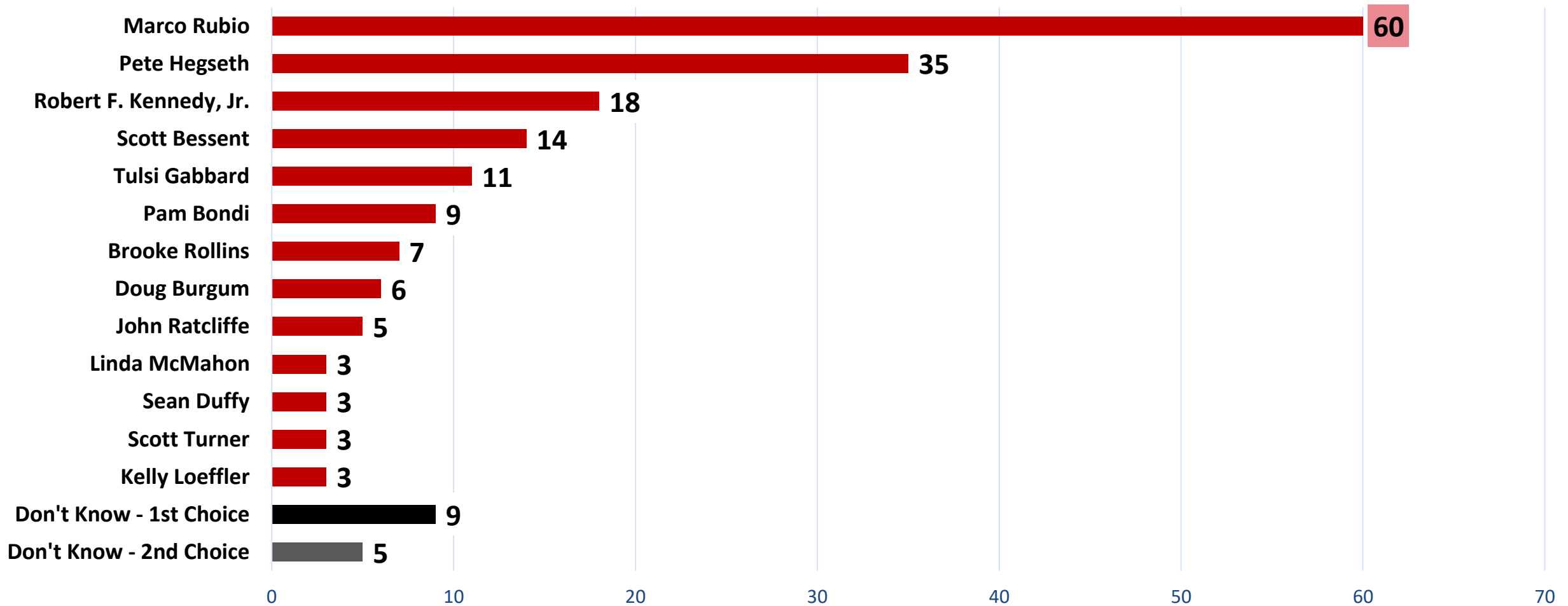


Now, from the same list, who is your second favorite member Donald Trump's Cabinet?

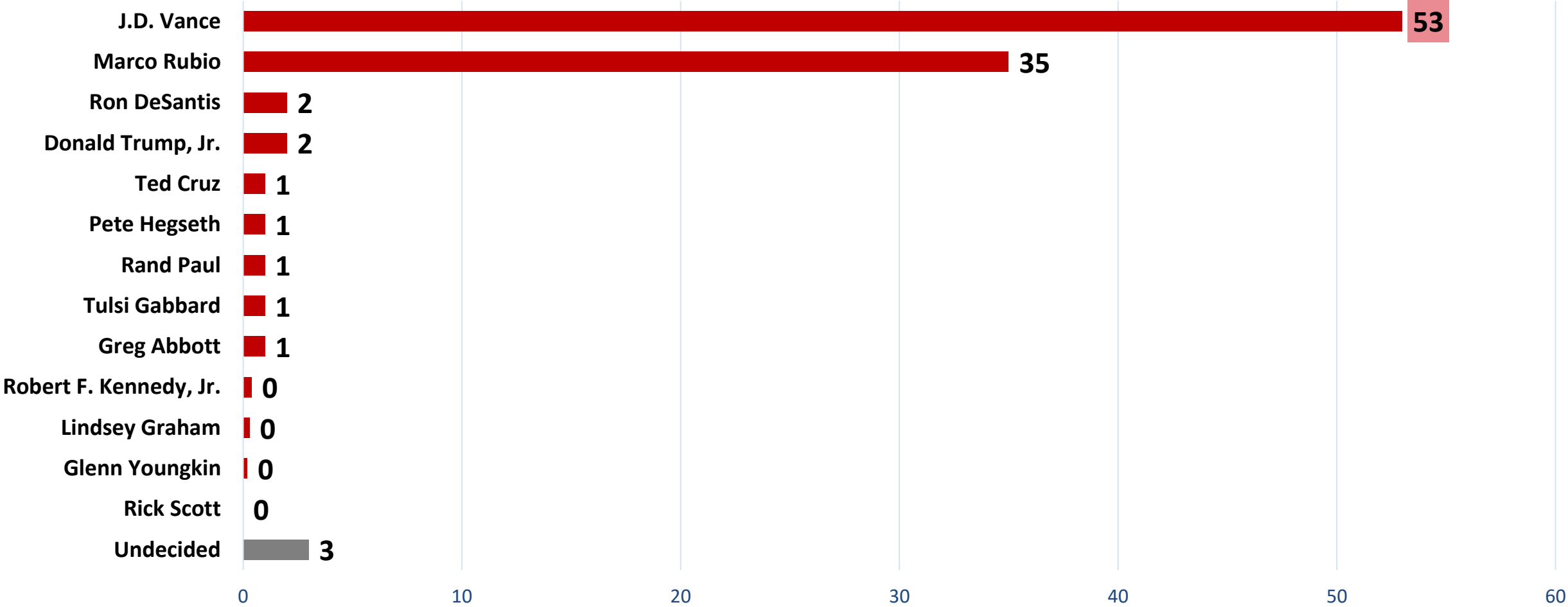


Who is your favorite member Donald Trump's Cabinet?

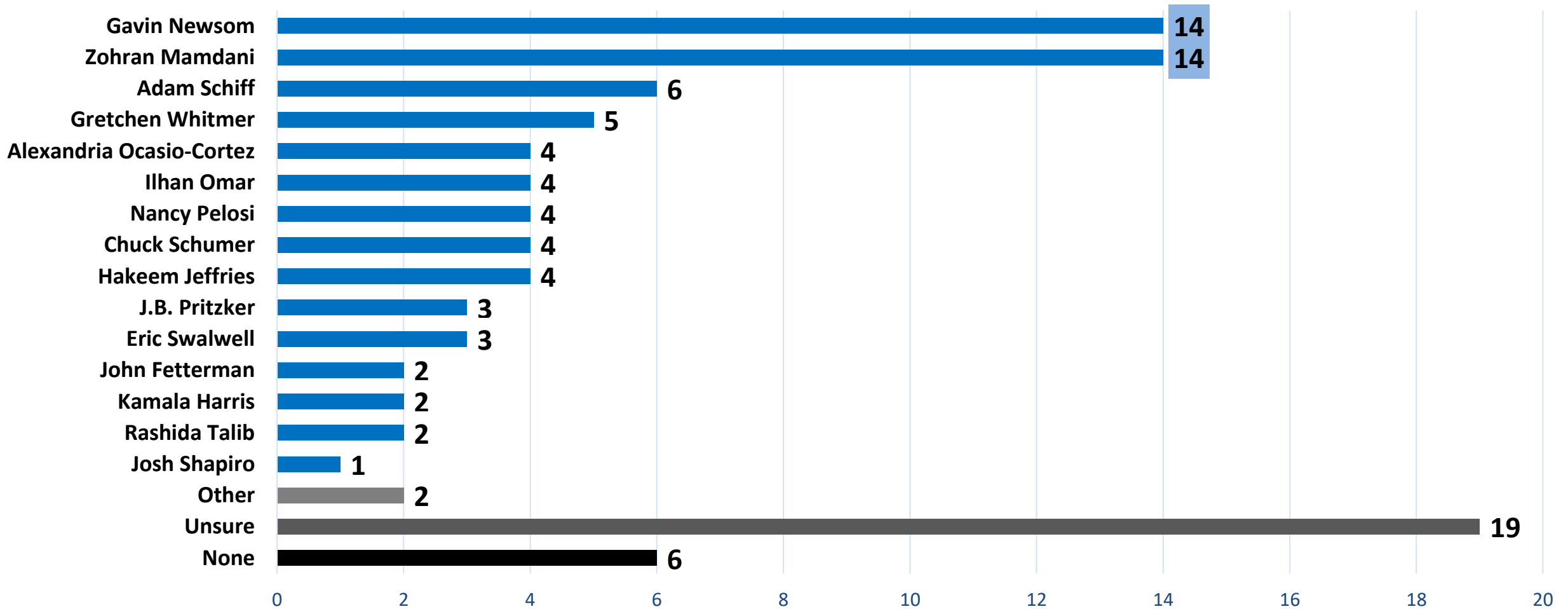
COMBO 1st and 2nd Choice



Thinking ahead to the 2028 Republican primary election for President, if the election were held today among the following candidates, for whom would you vote?

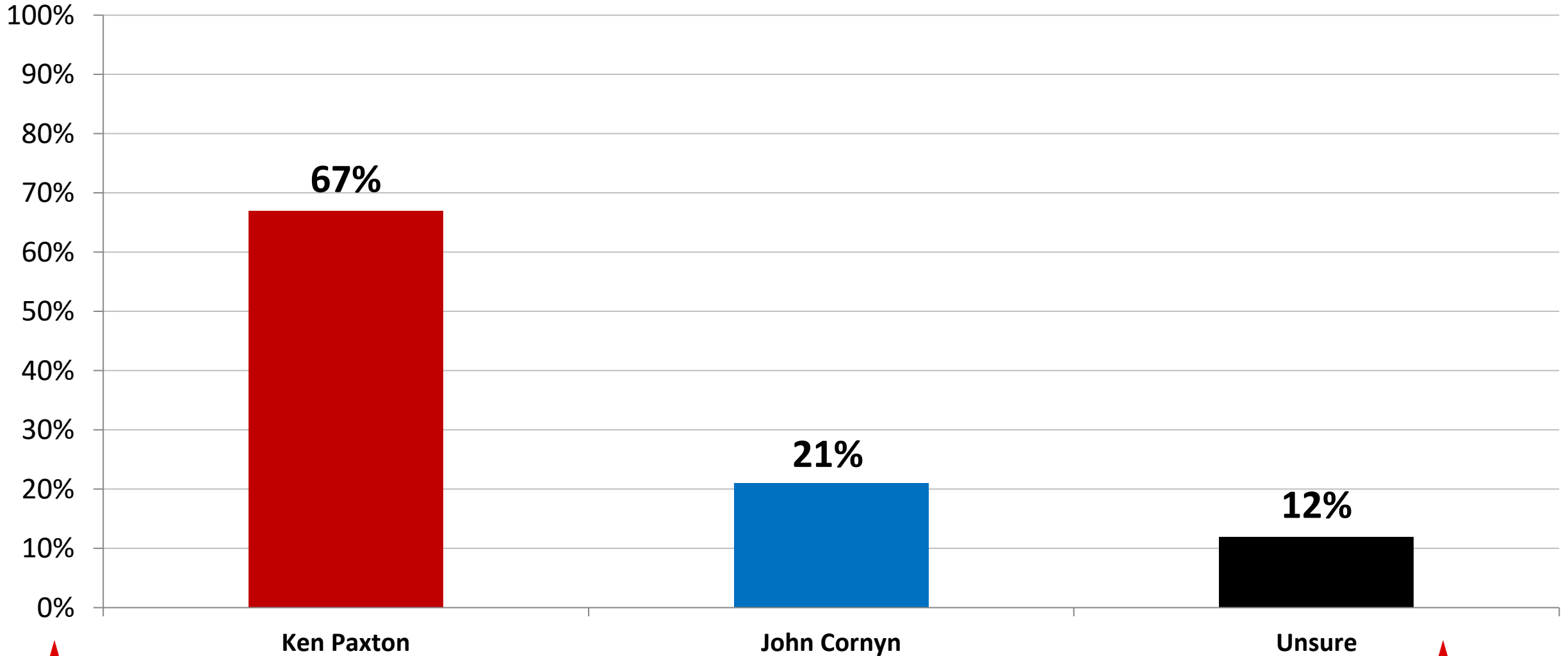


Among the following Democrats, who do you think is the most articulate leftist?



Who would you prefer wins the Republican Primary runoff for U.S. Senate, John Cornyn or Ken Paxton?

Among Texas Voters, n=1,180



Ken Paxton

John Cornyn

Unsure

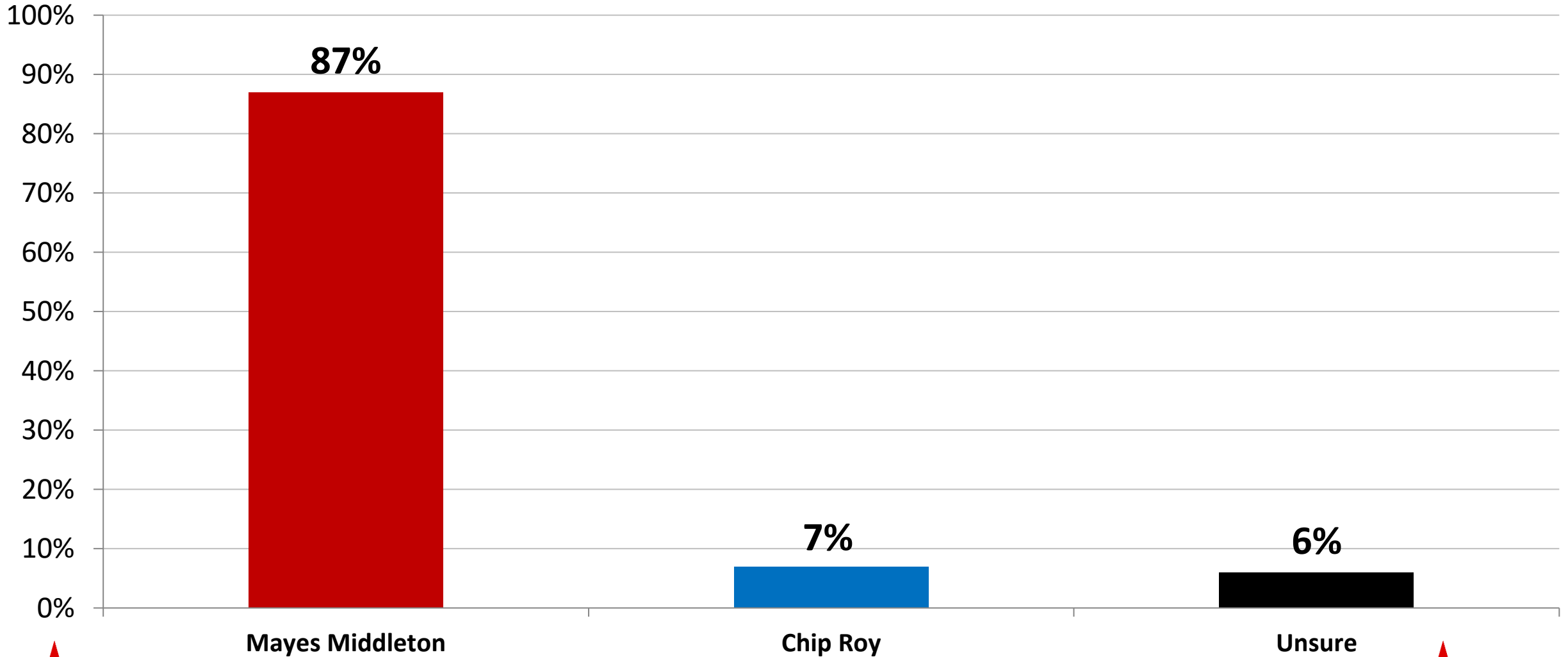


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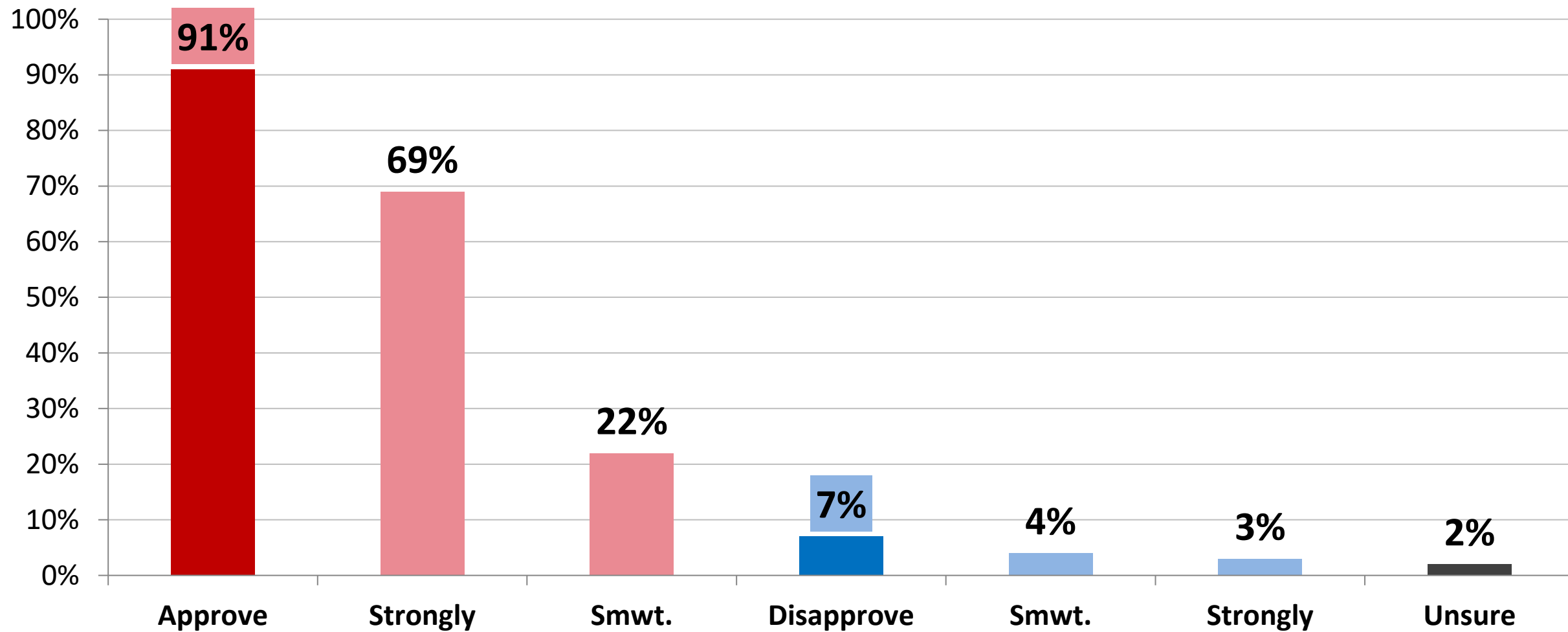
Who would you prefer wins the Republican Primary runoff for Attorney General of Texas, Chip Roy or Mayes Middleton?

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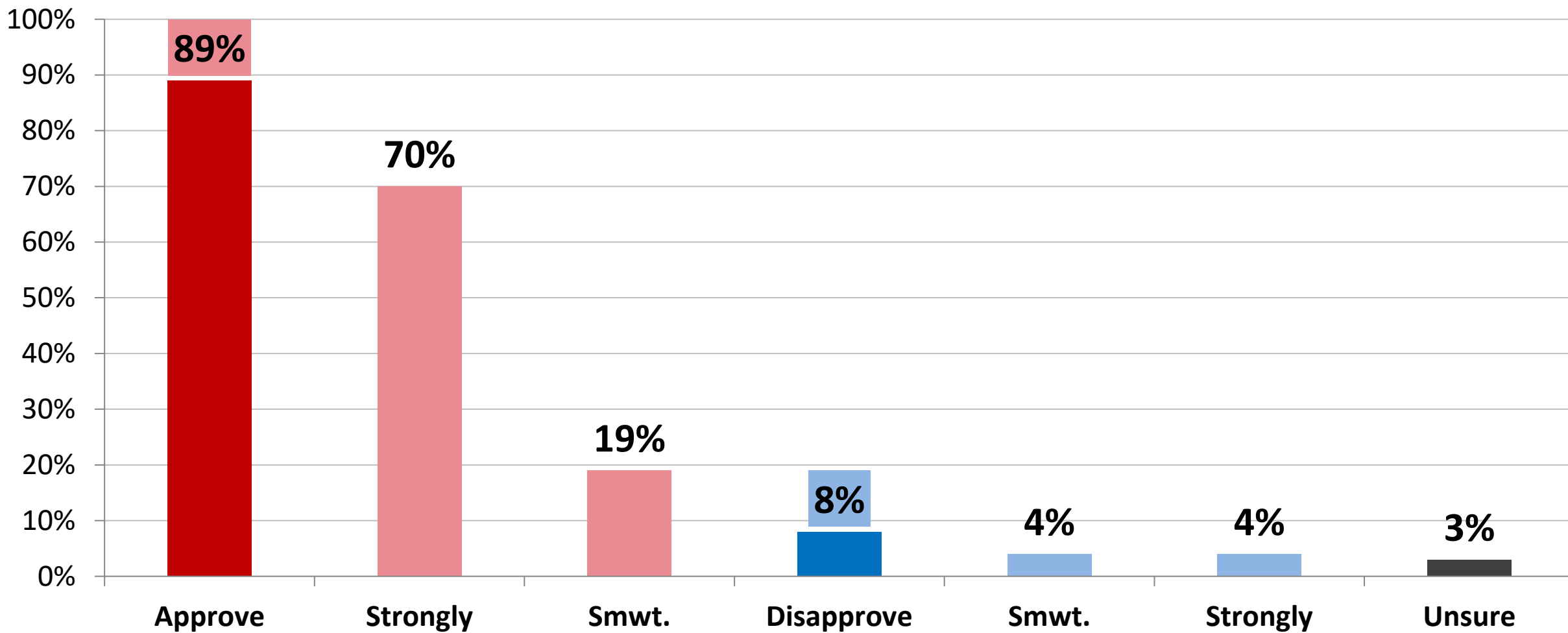
Approve/Disapprove:

President Trump's use of tariffs to reduce America's trade deficit and create a more fair playing field for American workers and businesses.



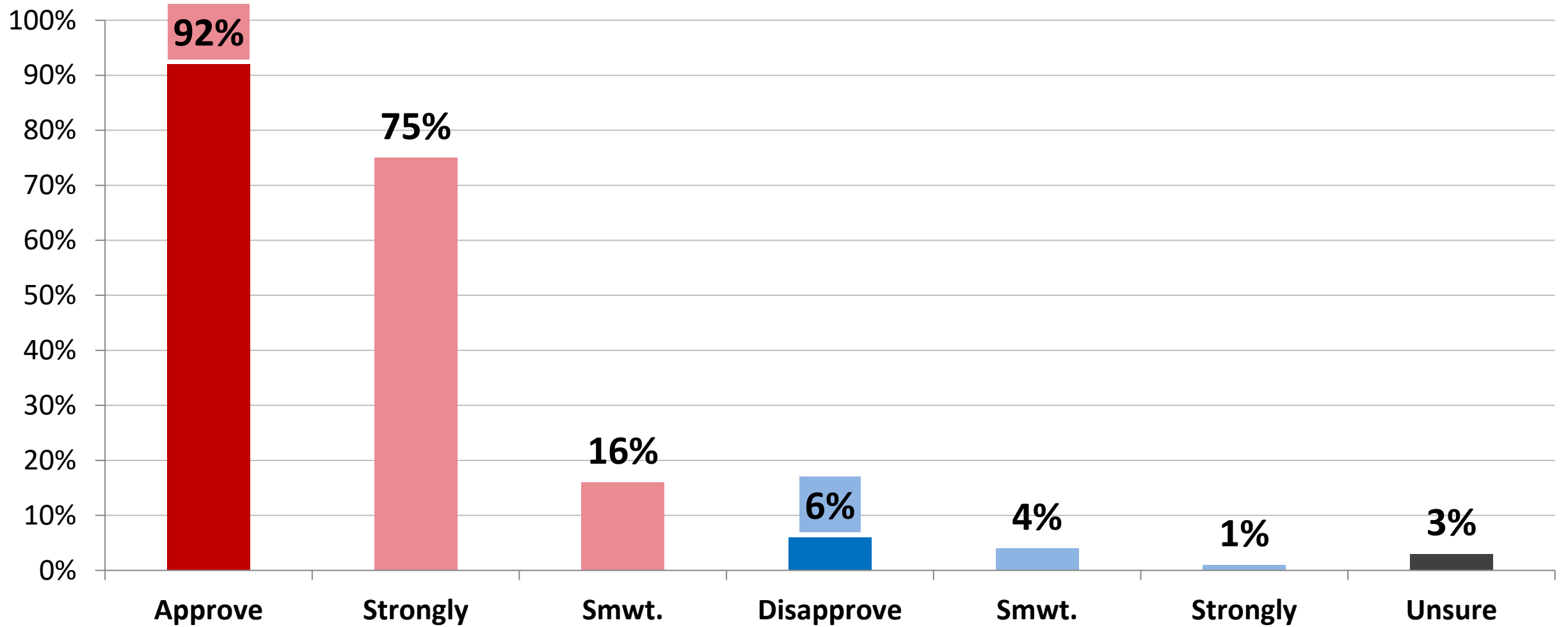
Approve/Disapprove:

President Donald Trump's decision to use military force in Iran to remove Ayatollah Ali Khamenei and his terrorist regime from power in order to stop their nuclear weapons and ballistic missile programs.



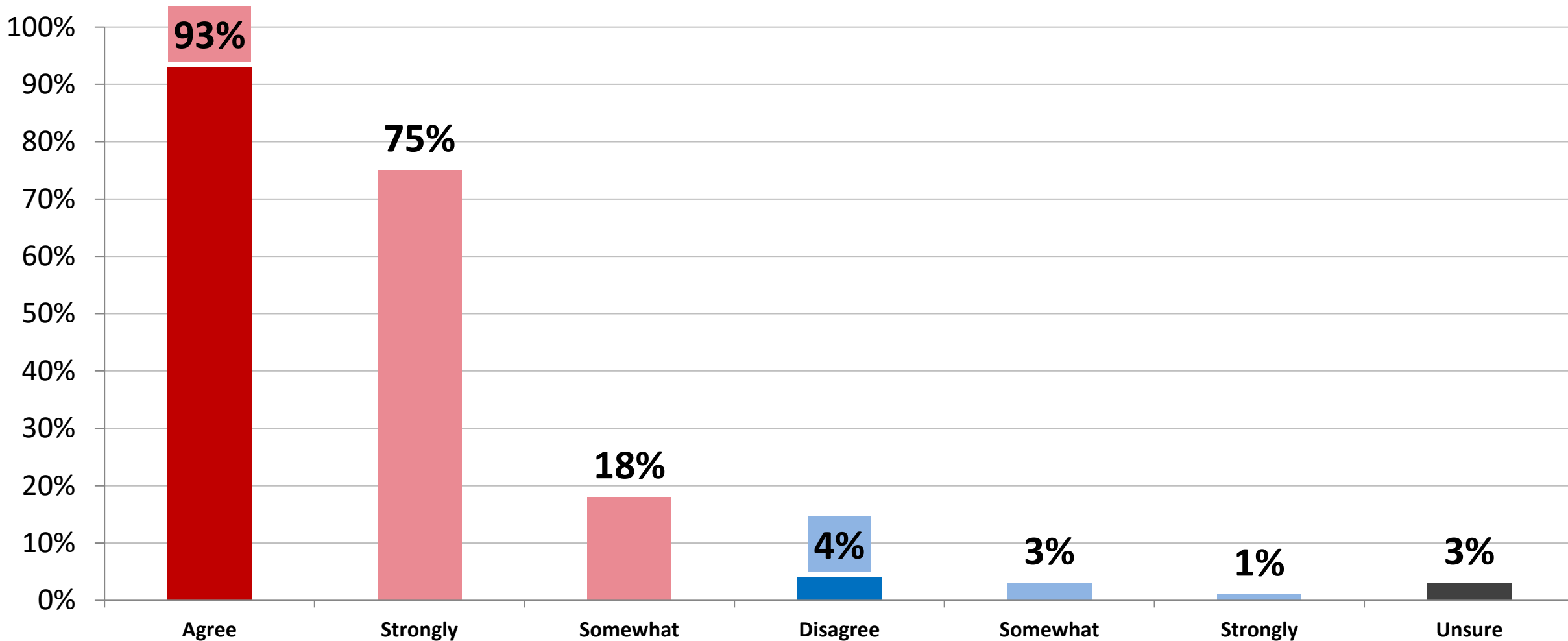
Approve/Disapprove:

President Trump arresting Venezuelan Dictator Nicolas Maduro and removing him from power.



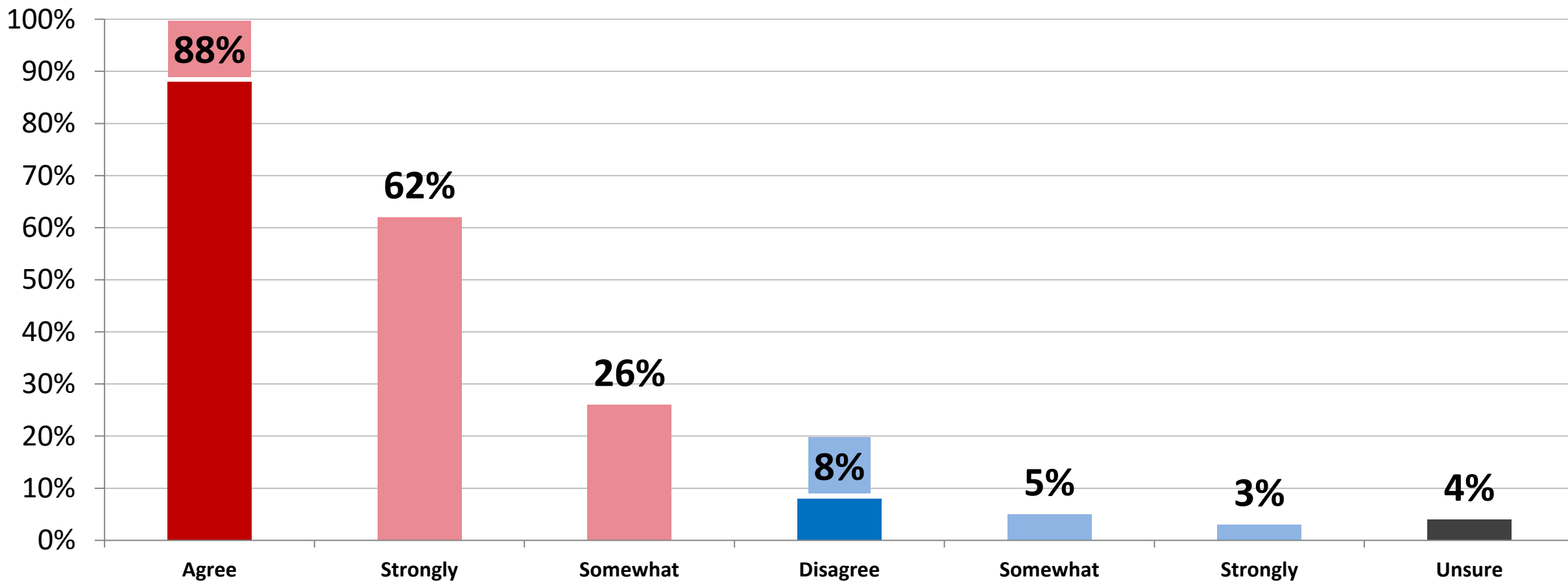
Agree/Disagree:

Helping the Republicans to maintain the majority in the United States House of Representatives and the United States Senate should be the most important political goal for conservatives in the midterm elections in November.



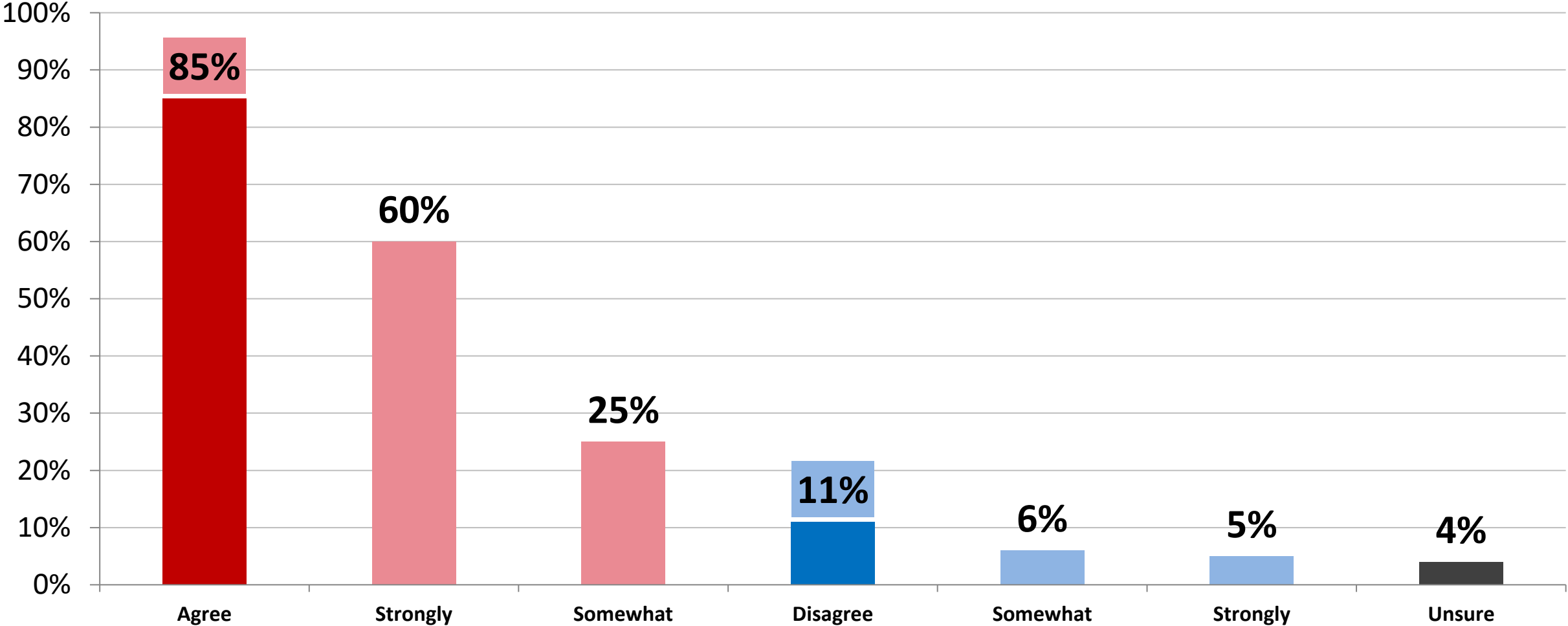
Agree/Disagree:

Many supposed conservative leaders and influencers are creating unnecessary controversy and division in the MAGA movement in order to get attention and make money which will hurt the conservative movement, President Trump and real MAGA conservatives in November's political elections.



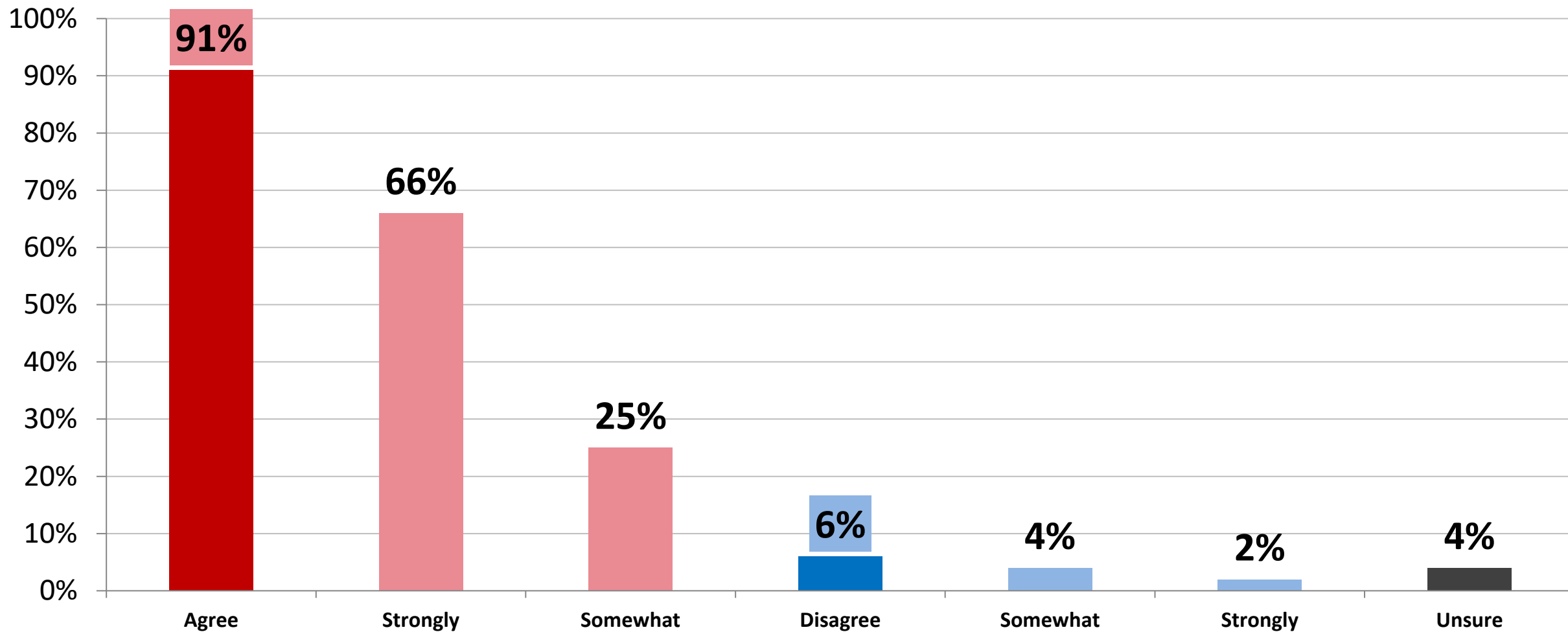
Agree/Disagree:

Israel continues to be one of the United States' most important strategic allies in the world.

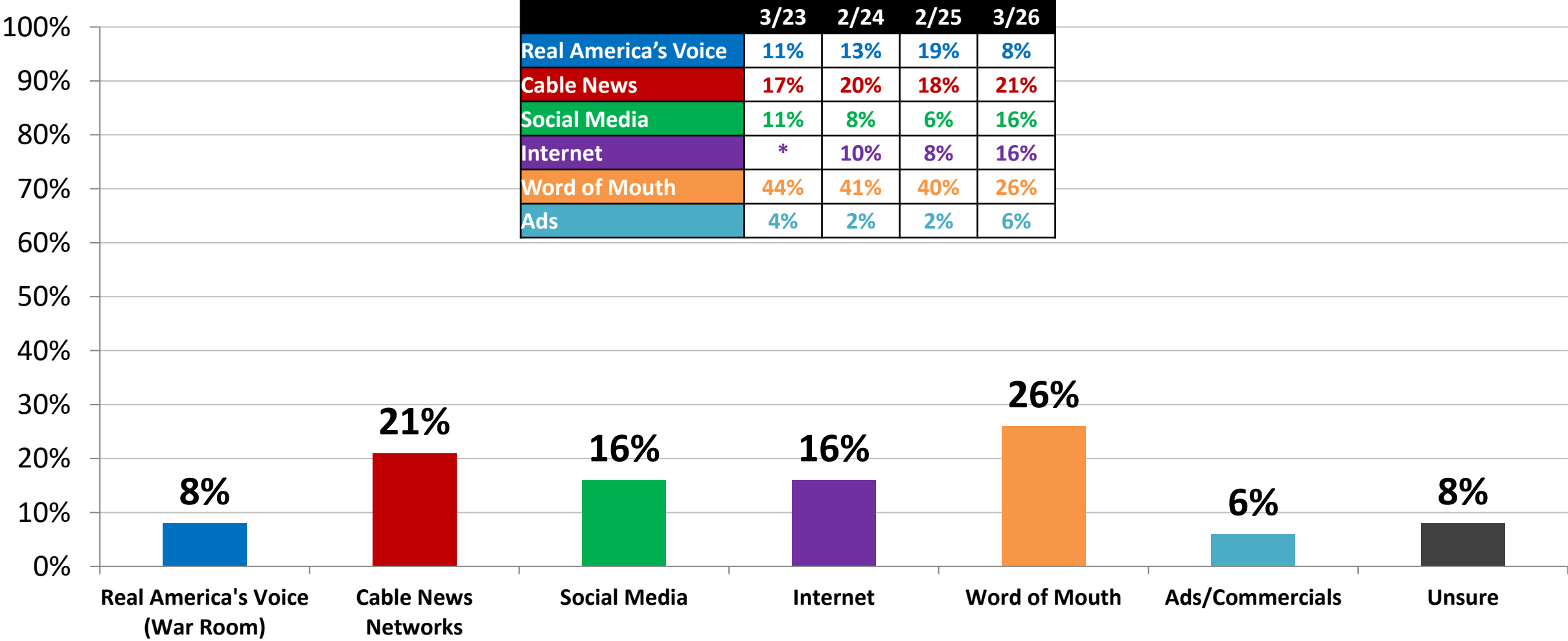


Agree/Disagree:

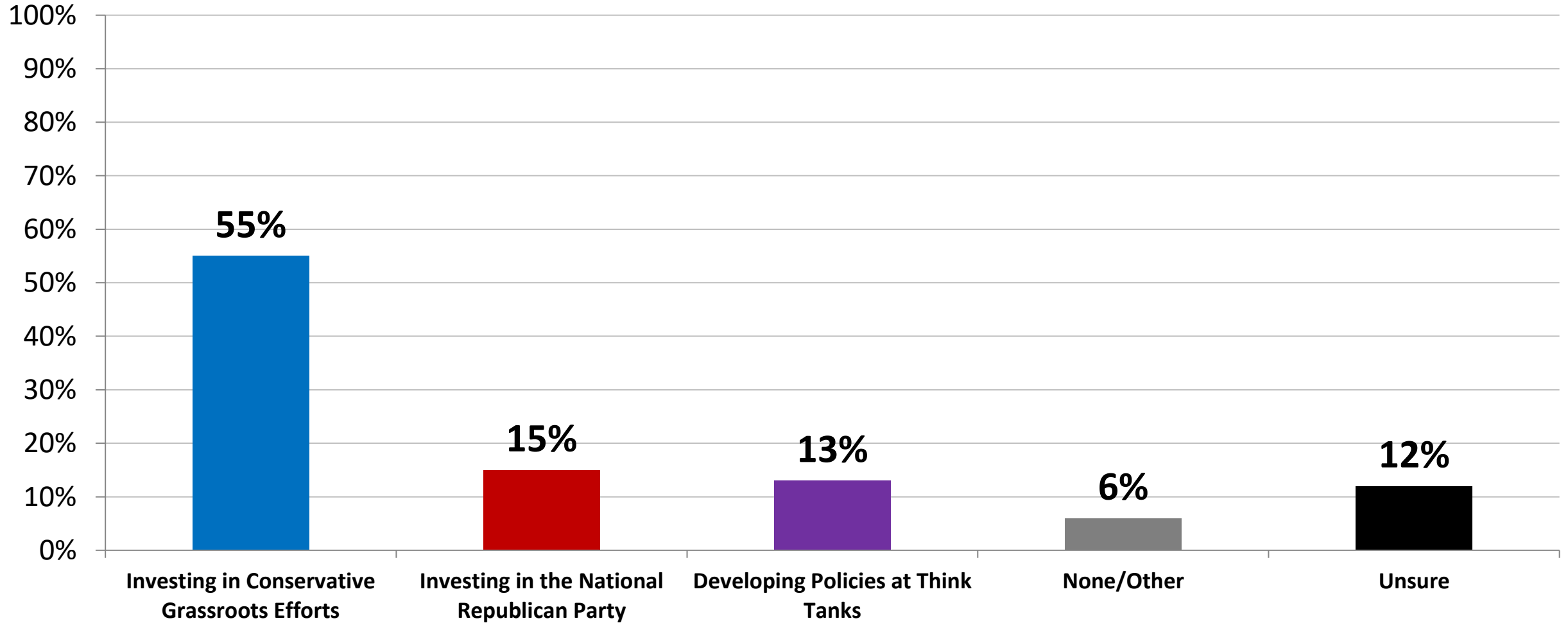
American Conservatives should be helping to promote and elect pro-American Conservative leaders throughout the world.



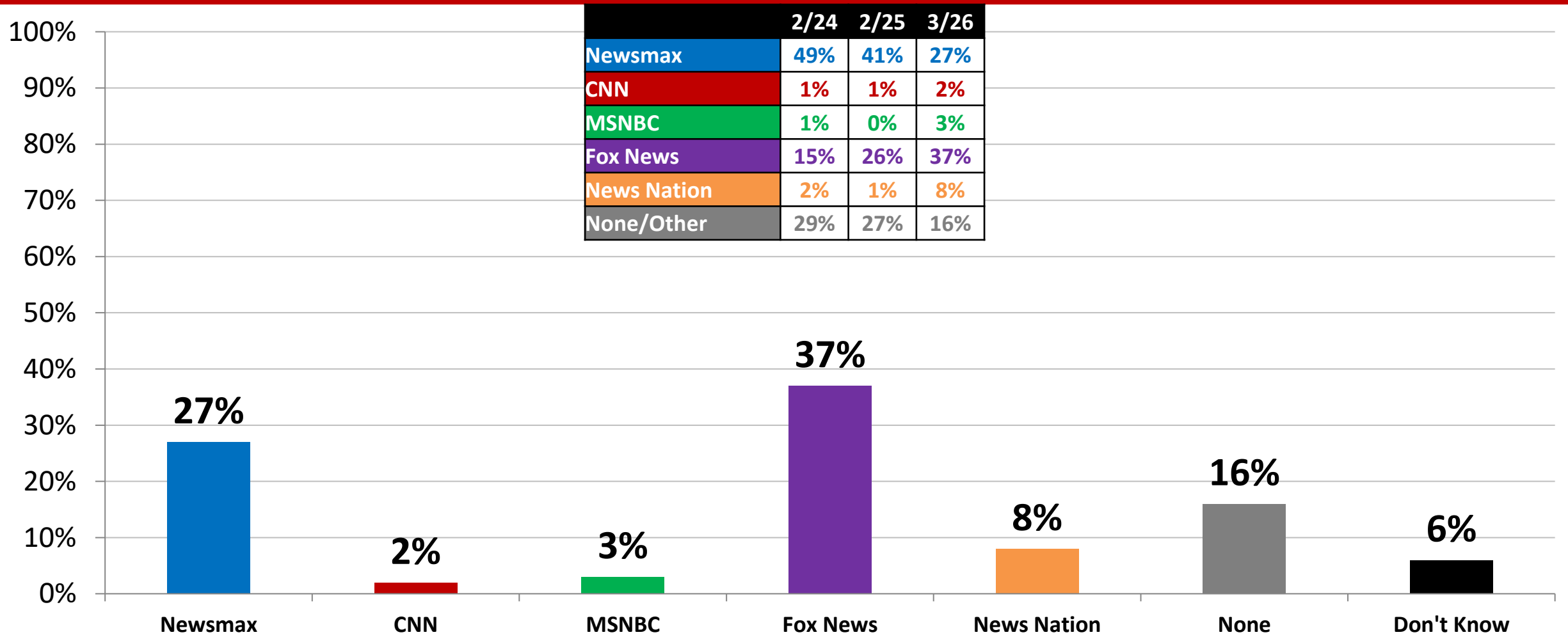
Regardless of whether this is your first CPAC or not, how did you FIRST hear about CPAC?



As America continues to be under attack from woke elites, which of the following is the best way to fight against their actions?

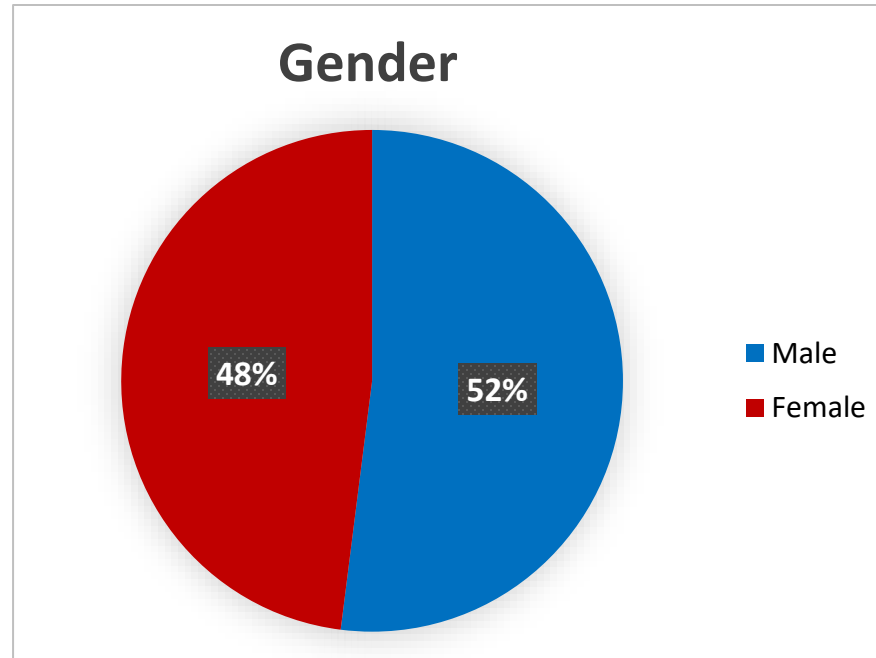


Which of the following Cable News outlets do you trust the most?



Demographic Summary

Age	Total
Under 18	1%
18 – 25	14%
26 – 40	20%
41 – 55	22%
56 – 65	22%
66 – 75	16%
Over 75	5%
Mean	48.9



Region of U.S.	Total
East	4%
Midwest	4%
South	86%
West	5%
Other	1%
International	1%

