



Survey Research

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Biggest Problems Facing the State

- Compared to forest management and environmental issues, other issues are more important (or as important) to Oregonians:
 - Education quality
 - Education funding
 - The economy / recession
 - Energy costs
 - Concern about being personally secure at home and at work



Protecting the environment is so important that requirements and standards cannot be too high, and continuing environmental improvements must be made regardless of cost. (National survey)

	Percent
Strongly Agree	40%
Somewhat Agree	34%
Somewhat Disagree	16%
Strongly Disagree	9%
Don't Know	1%

Issues Of Concern





PRIORITY OF ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEMS (National)

	Percent
Water pollution	58%
Air Pollution	48%
Global warming	41%
Ozone depletion	41%
Depletion of forest lands	41%
Recycling more material	39%



Most Important Environmental Issues Facing Oregon Today

14%	Water pollution
9%	Water quality
8%	Clear cutting / logging
6%	Lack of water
6%	Air pollution
5%	Salmon / protecting salmon



If Population Doubles In 30 Years, Future Problems Affecting Oregon's Forests

	Biggest Problem	1 st or 2 nd Biggest Problem
Losing forestland to development and other uses	45%	60%
Not having enough high quality drinking water	19%	42%
Loss of fish and wildlife habitat	14%	38%
Not having enough trees to harvest for wood products	8%	18%
Shortage of forest recreation opportunities	5%	15%
Having more damaging wildfires	5%	15%

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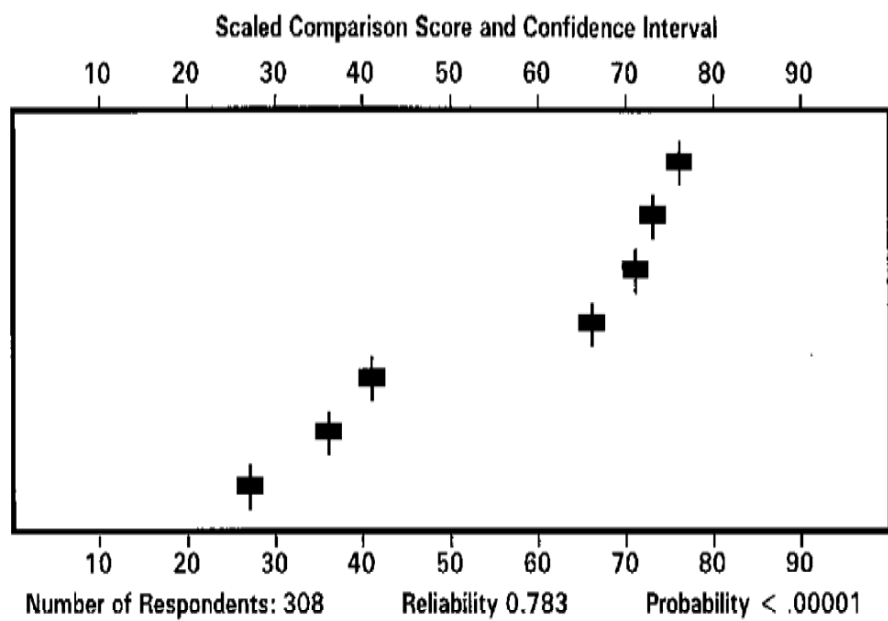
Relative Importance of FPFO Strategies

ODF Project - Confidence Interval Report

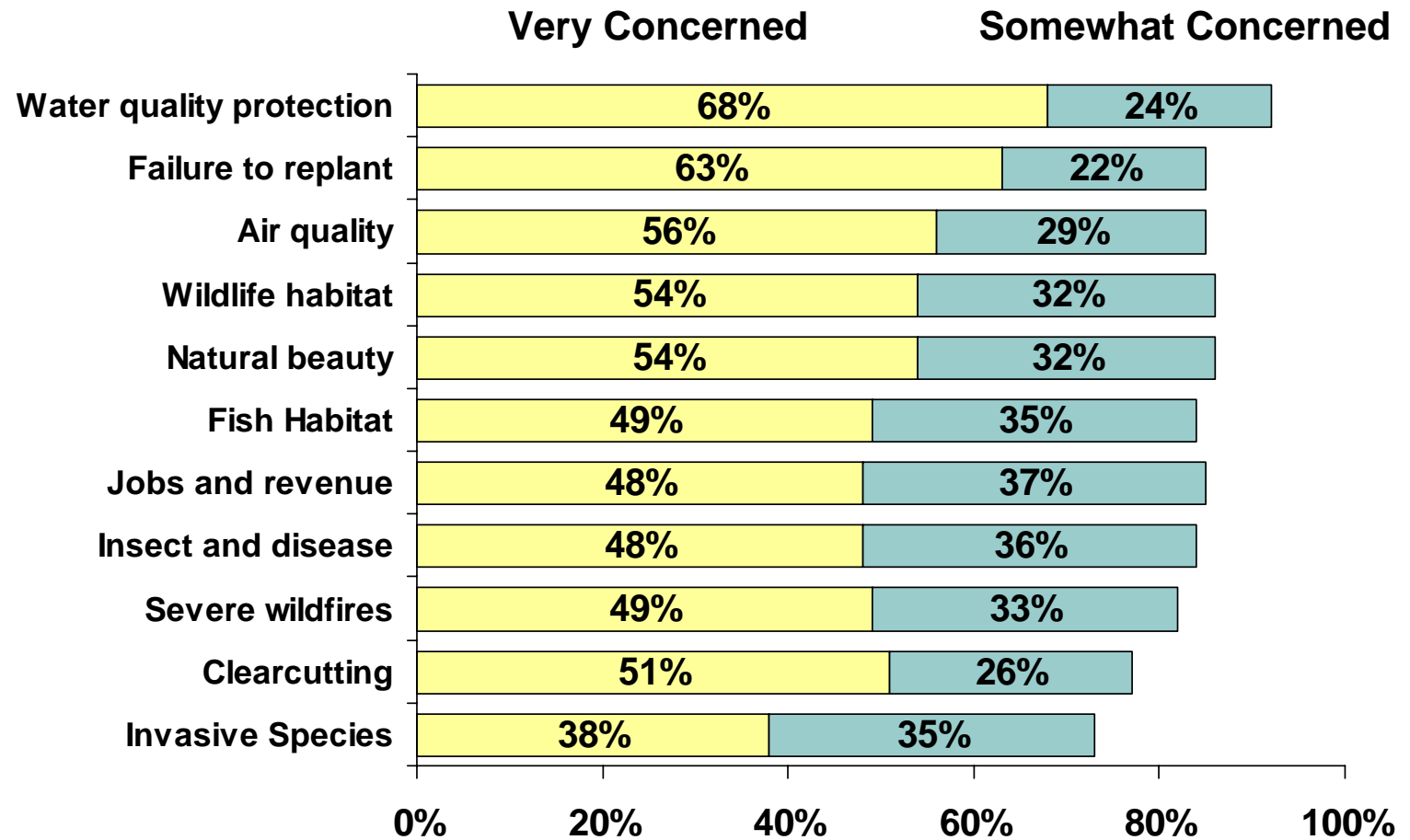
Results for Subgroup: Weighted Total QUESTION:

Which objective is more important to ensure Oregon's forests are managed properly?

- 1. Protect soil and water quality 76
- 2. Maintain amount of forestland & harvest rates 73
- 3. Protect forests from serious health threats 71
- 4. Good laws, gov't & research, sound policies 66
- 5. Protect plant/animal habitats & populations 41
- 6. Maintain/enhance forests for various benefits 36
- 7. Contribute to reducing global warming 27



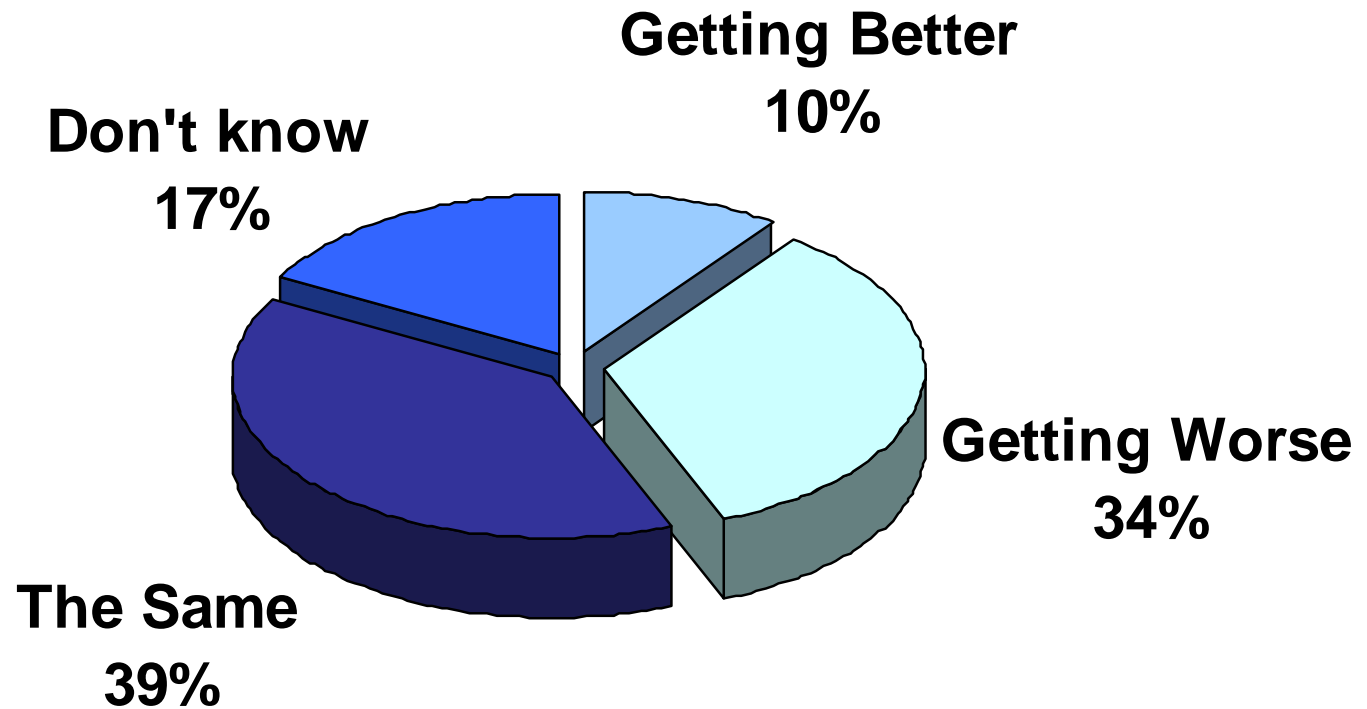
Forest Issues (Oregon)



Water Quality



Water Quality

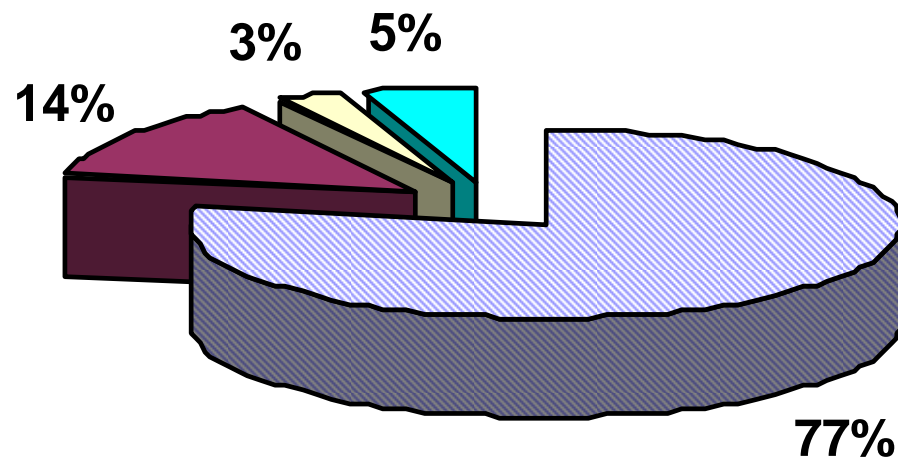




Most Significant Cause For Water Quality Getting Worse

- 52% Contamination from human and animal waste and industrial pollution
- 16% Removing trees that provide shade for streams and rivers
- 15% Contamination from the use of pesticides
- 9% Too much water being taken out of streams and rivers
- 8% Soil erosion

Importance of Water Quality Protection in Forest Management Activities



Very Somewhat Not at all/Not very DK/Neutral



Remedies For Water Quality Concerns – Aided and Unaided

○ Unaided

- Stop pollution/Cleanliness - 22%
- More Protection/Monitoring - 13%
- More/Enforce Laws/Regulations - 10%
- Better Management/Accountability - 9%

○ Aided (Strongly Agree)

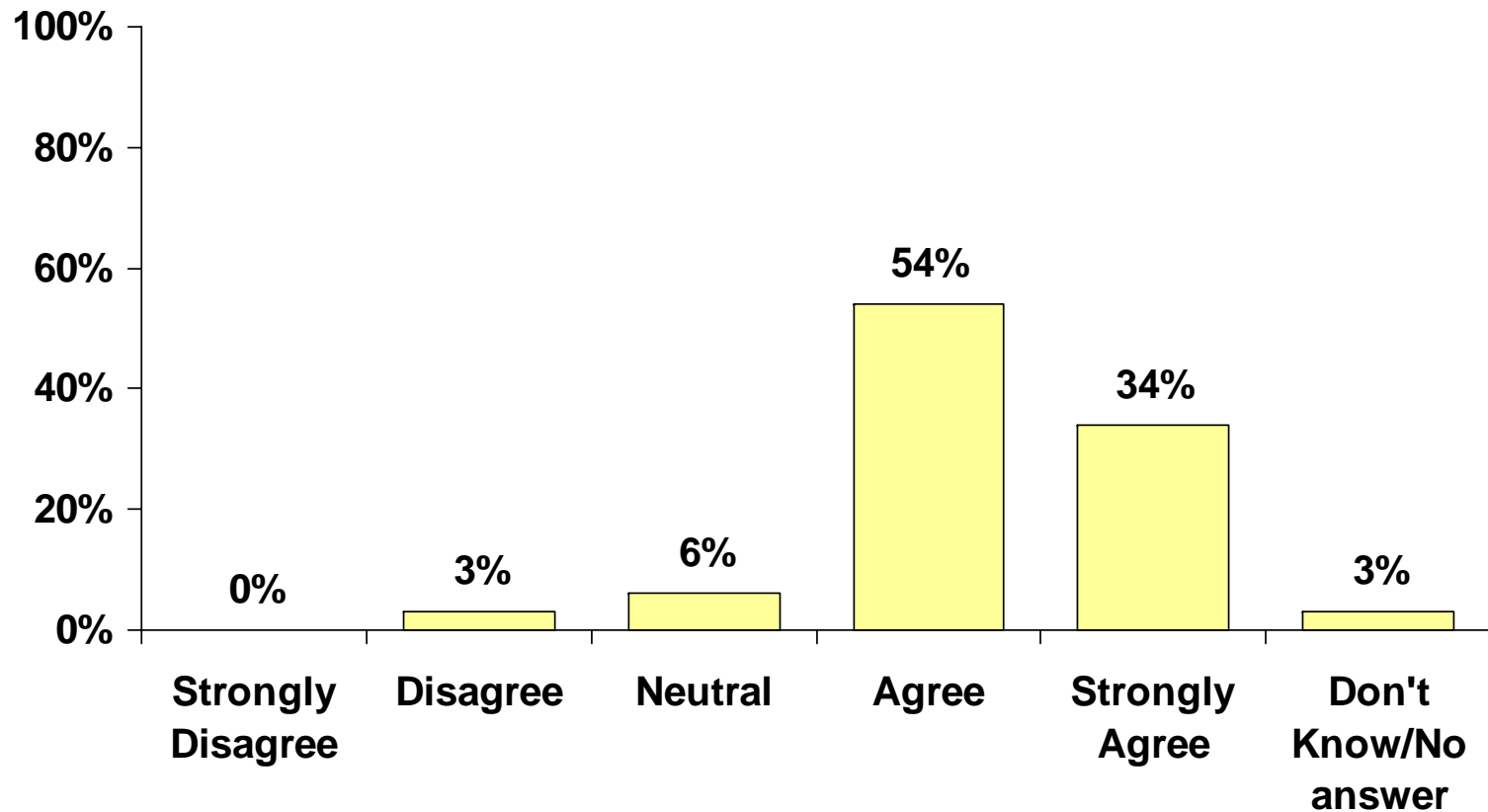
- Leave streamside buffers – 62%
- Require forest managers to minimize erosion – 55%
- Reduce harvesting and use alternatives to wood - 27% %

Fish and Wildlife Values in Oregon's Forests

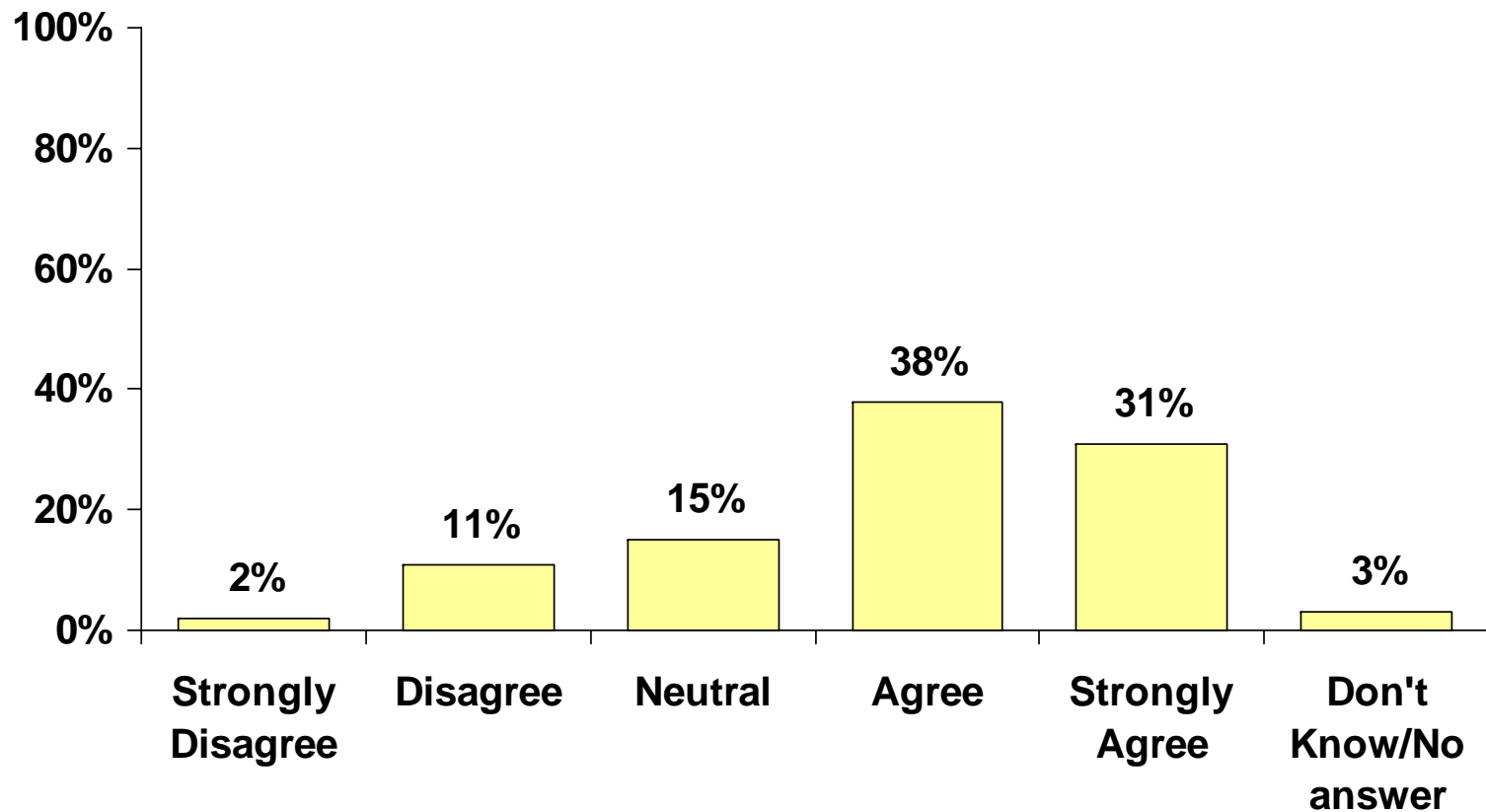




National forests should provide for as much diversity of animals and plants as possible.



National forests should provide habitat for animals that are rare and threatened with extinction



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Timber Harvesting in Oregon's Forests



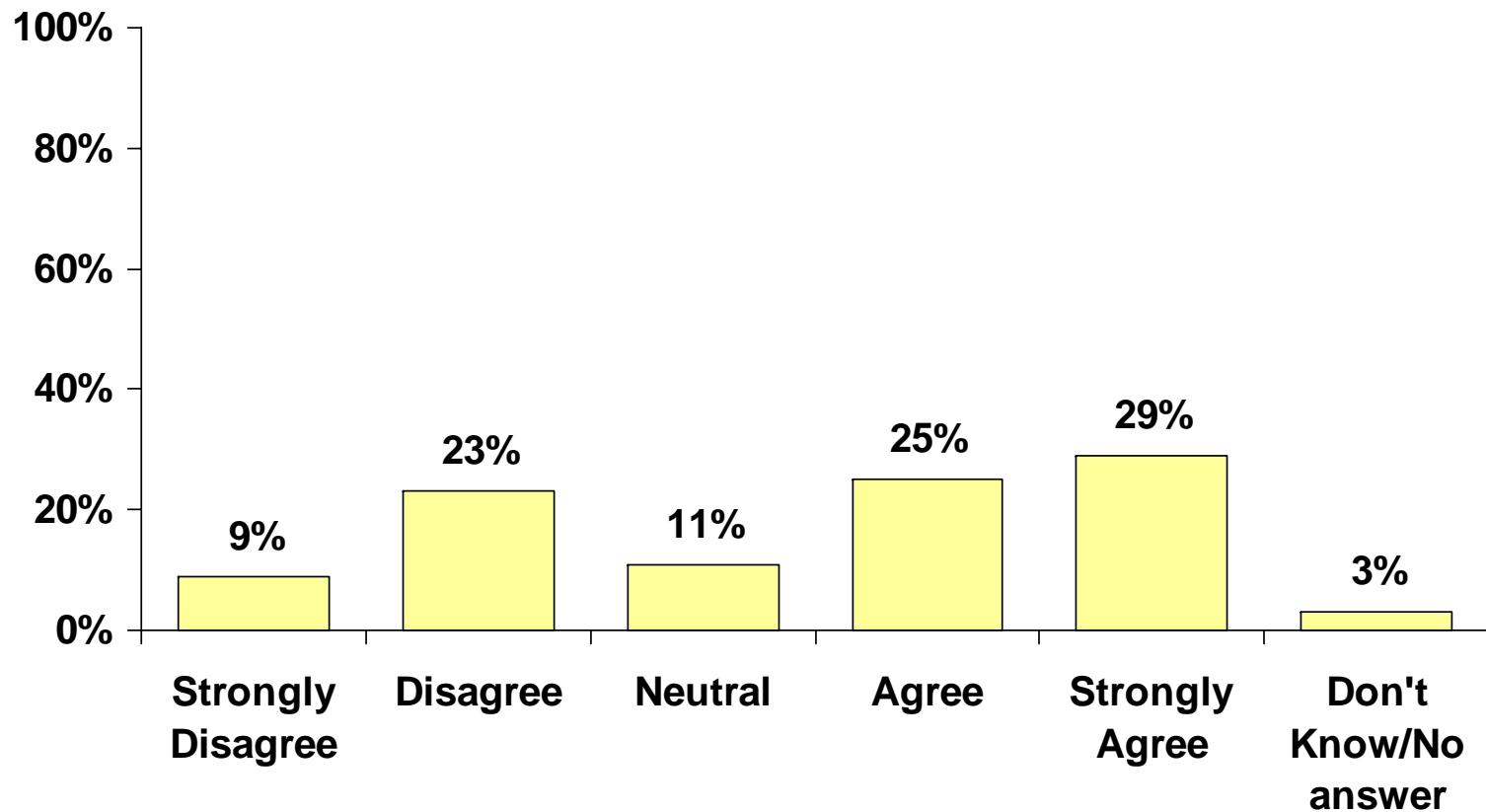


Which of the following comes closest to your opinion?

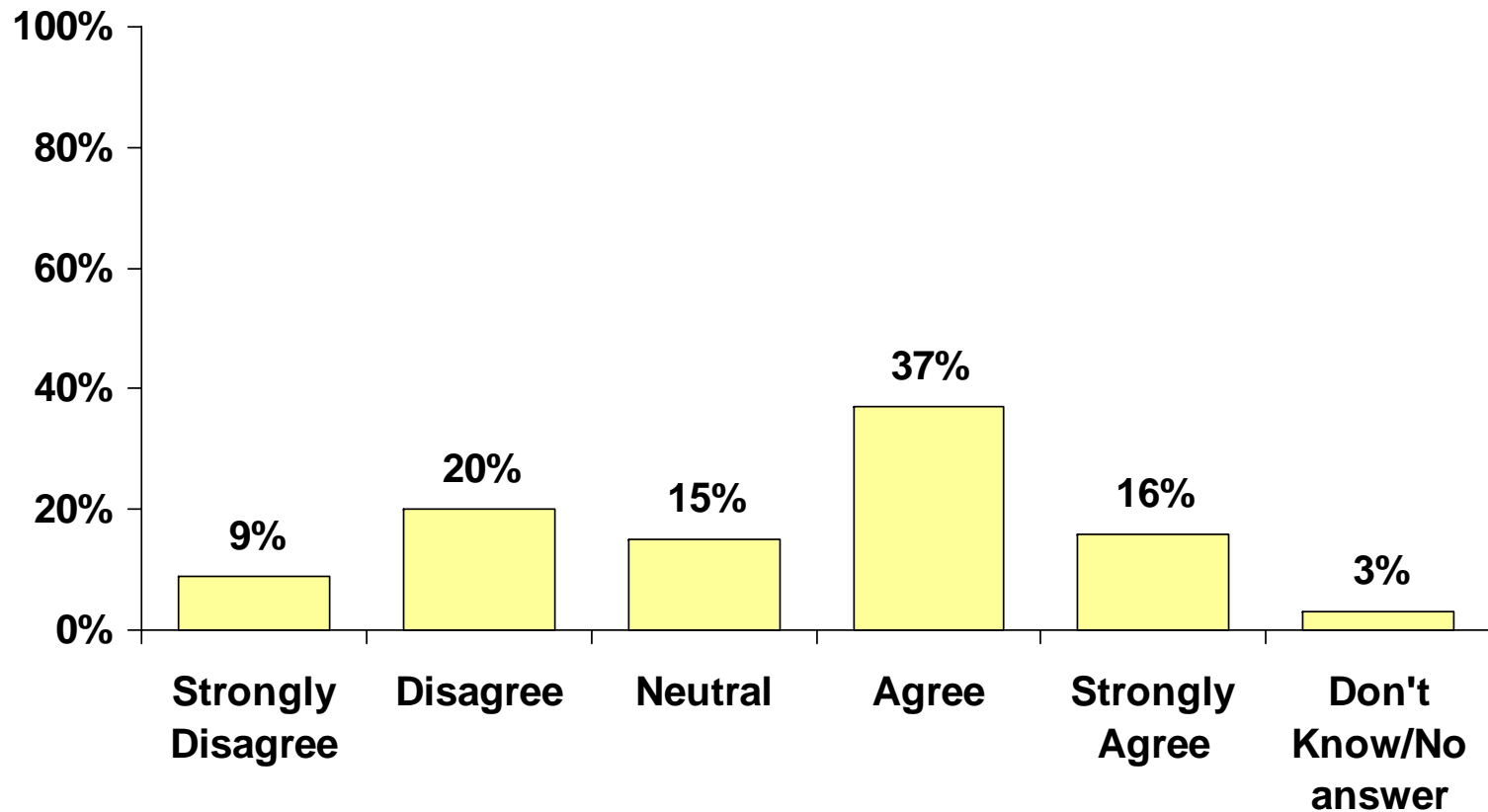
- 25.3% You fully support logging in Oregon's forests
- 55.0% You fully support logging in Oregon's forests as long as old-growth trees are protected
- 15.0% You believe logging in Oregon's forests should be severely limited
- 4.8% Don't know/Refused




Old growth forests should NOT be harvested in order to provide ecosystems for wildlife like spotted owls and salmon. (National Forests)



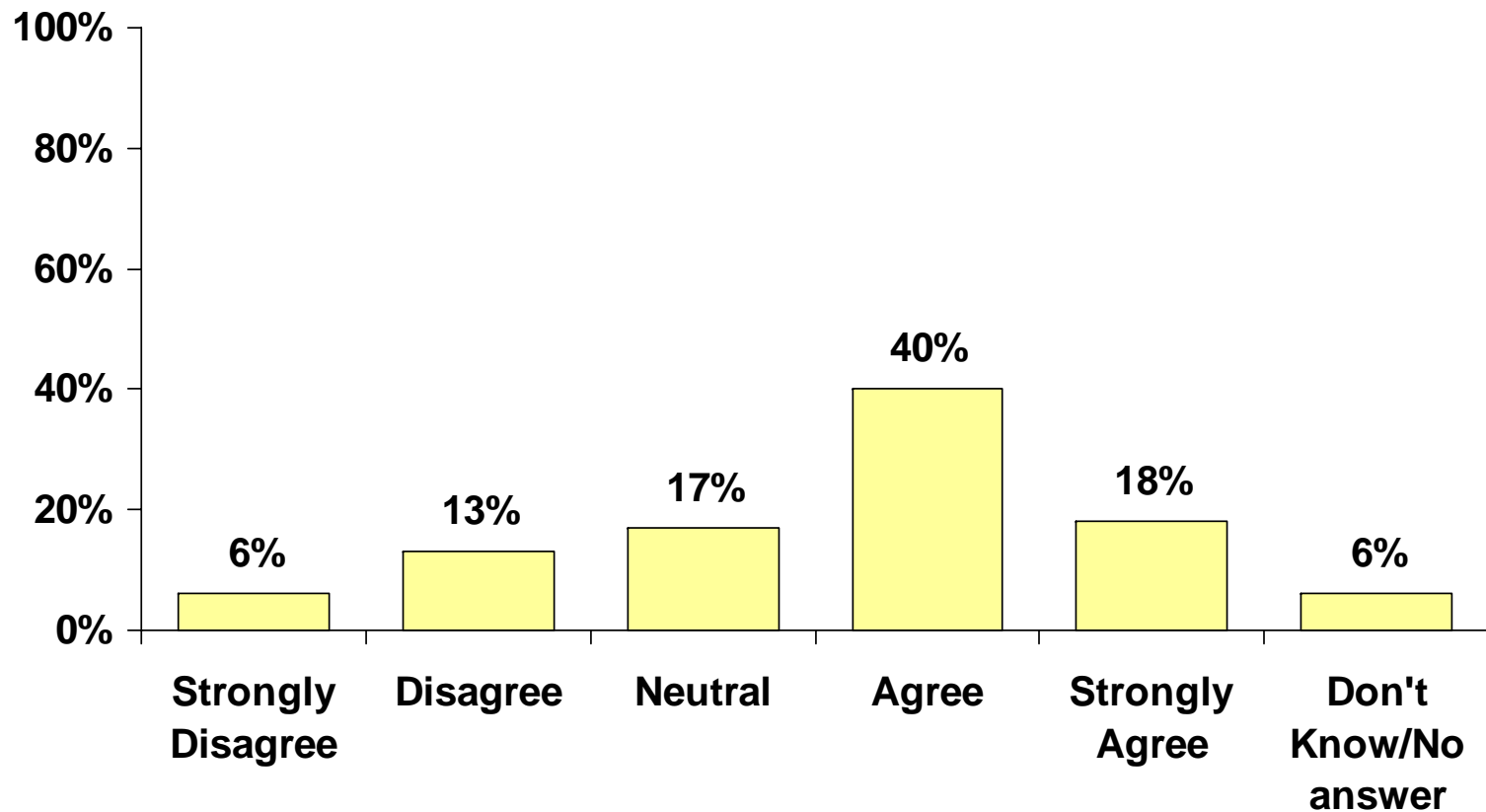
National forests that are NOT old growth SHOULD be harvested to provide jobs and forest products



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If they have already been harvested, forests should be managed to maximize the growth and harvest of trees (NF Second Growth)





For each, please tell me how serious a problem it is for Oregon's rural communities

	Very Serious	Very and Somewhat Serious
Lack of family-wage job opportunities	42%	76%
Other Americans wanting to shut down their natural resources based economies	37%	62%
Larger cities out-competing small towns for resources and jobs	31%	63%
Damaging government policies	27%	51%
Economy not being diversified	24%	59%
Poor access to training, education, and information technology	23%	48%



IF VERY/SOMEWHAT CONCERNED ABOUT JOBS AND REVENUES FOR RURAL COMMUNITIES

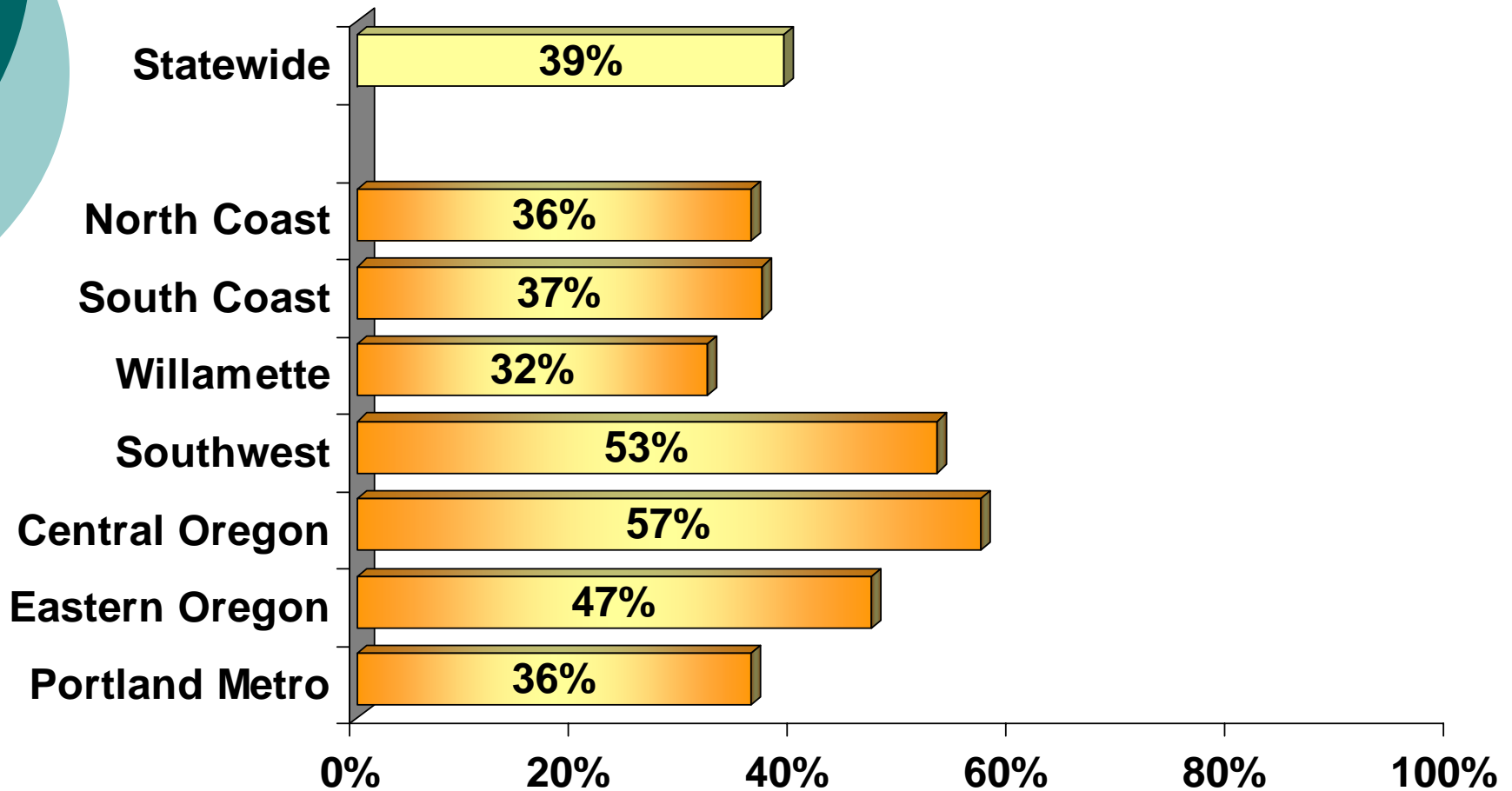
- What actions would you like to see taken to address your concern?
 - Jobs/Opportunities/Economy - 22%
 - More Investment In Education/Career Retraining - 10%
 - Have The Logging Industry Return - 8%

Fire / Forest Health



Wildfire Danger

Very Concerned

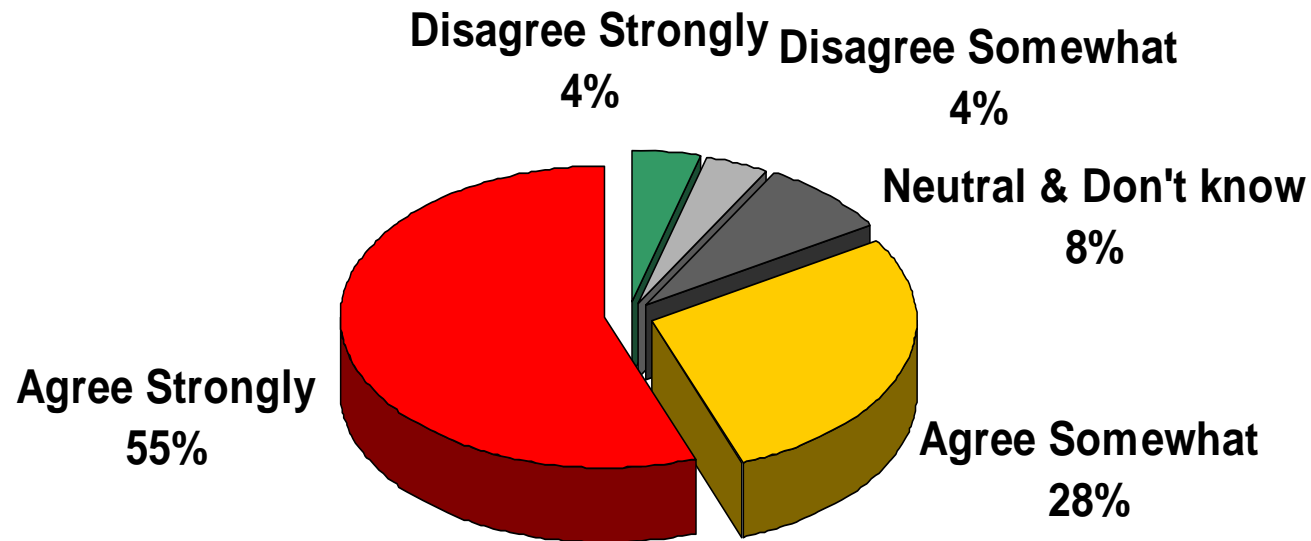


Suggestions For Reducing Risk Of Wildfires

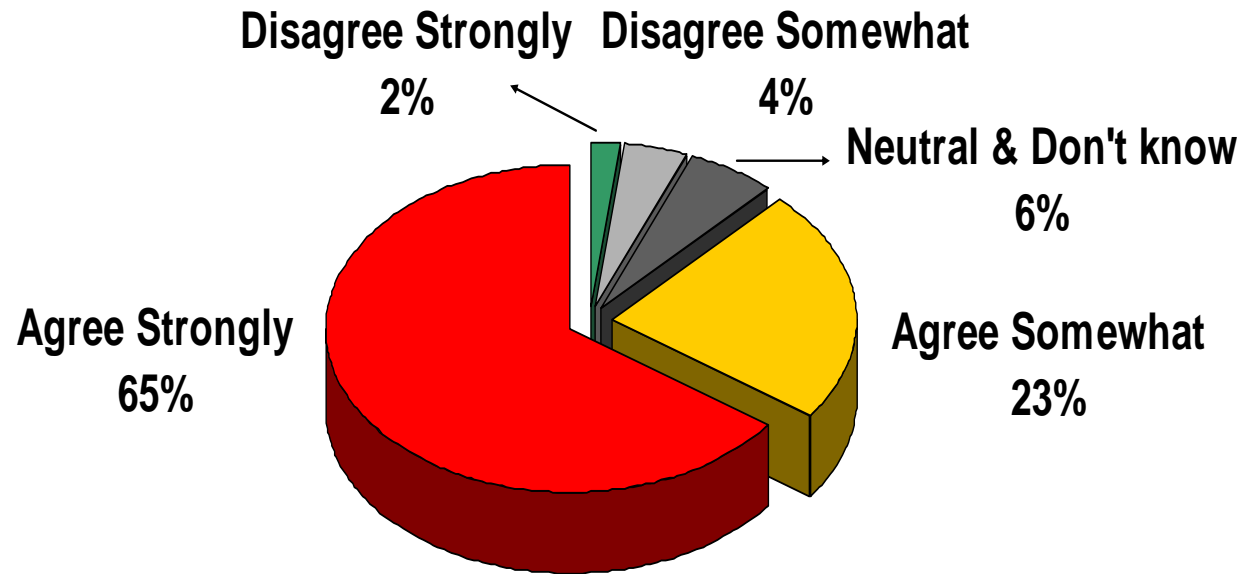
- 36% Clearing Dead Wood/Underbrush/Debris
- 16% Controlled Burning
- 12% Thinning Trees
- 9% Enforcement of Campfire Laws
- 8% More Public Education/Awareness



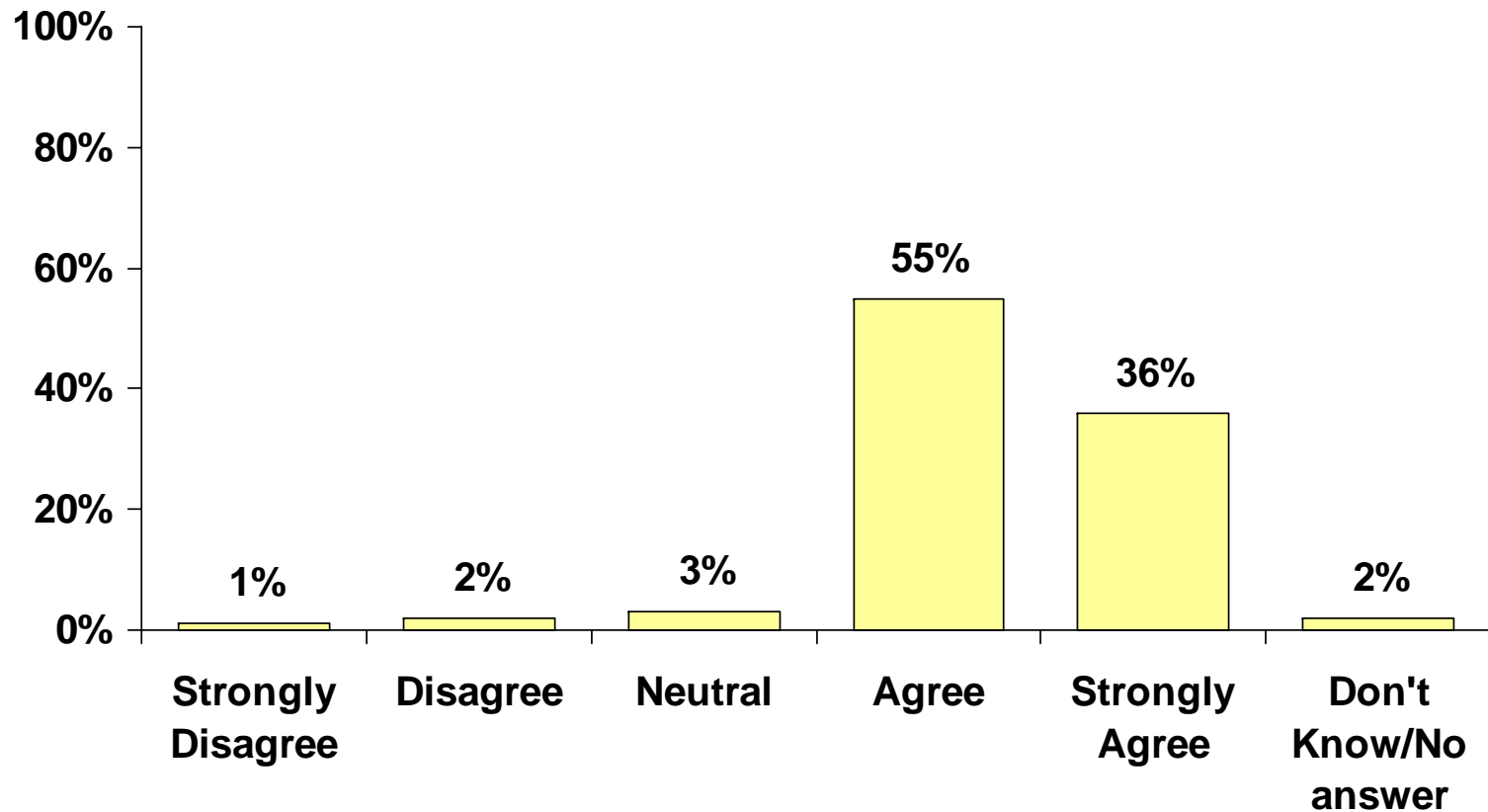
Necessary To Use Controlled Fires To Eliminate Excess Fuel



Necessary To Thin Trees From Crowded Forests



Harvests are Acceptable to Restore Forest Health



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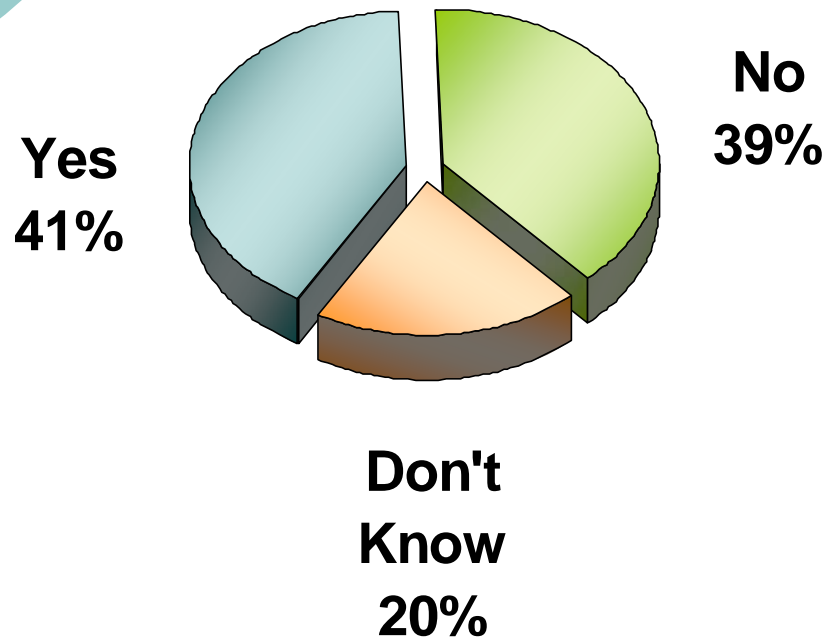
Sustainable Forest Management



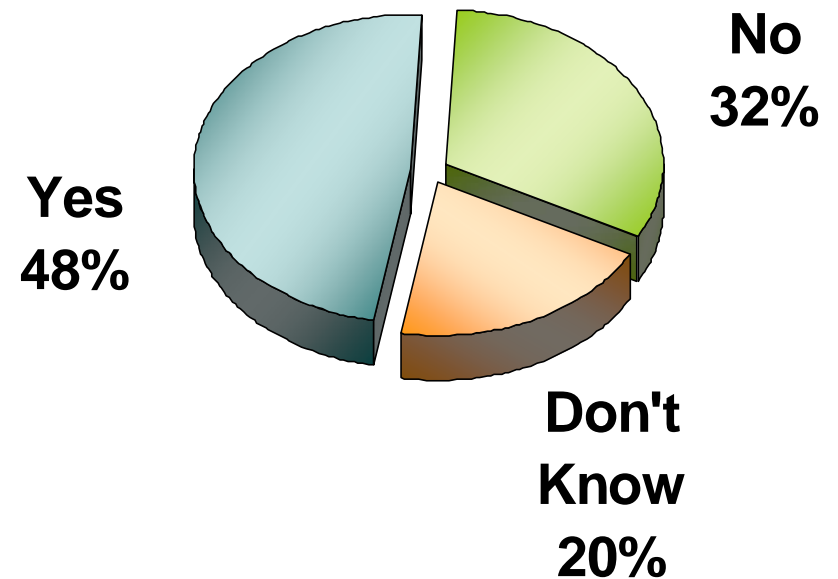
Is Sustainable* Forest Management Being Practiced?

(*Managed properly to meet the environmental, social & economic needs of both present and future generations.)

Federal



Private





Sustainable Forest Management By Region

	Federal	Private
Statewide	41%	48%
North & South Coast	38%	59%
Willamette & Southwest	47%	56%
Central & Eastern Oregon	43%	49%
Portland Metro	36%	39%

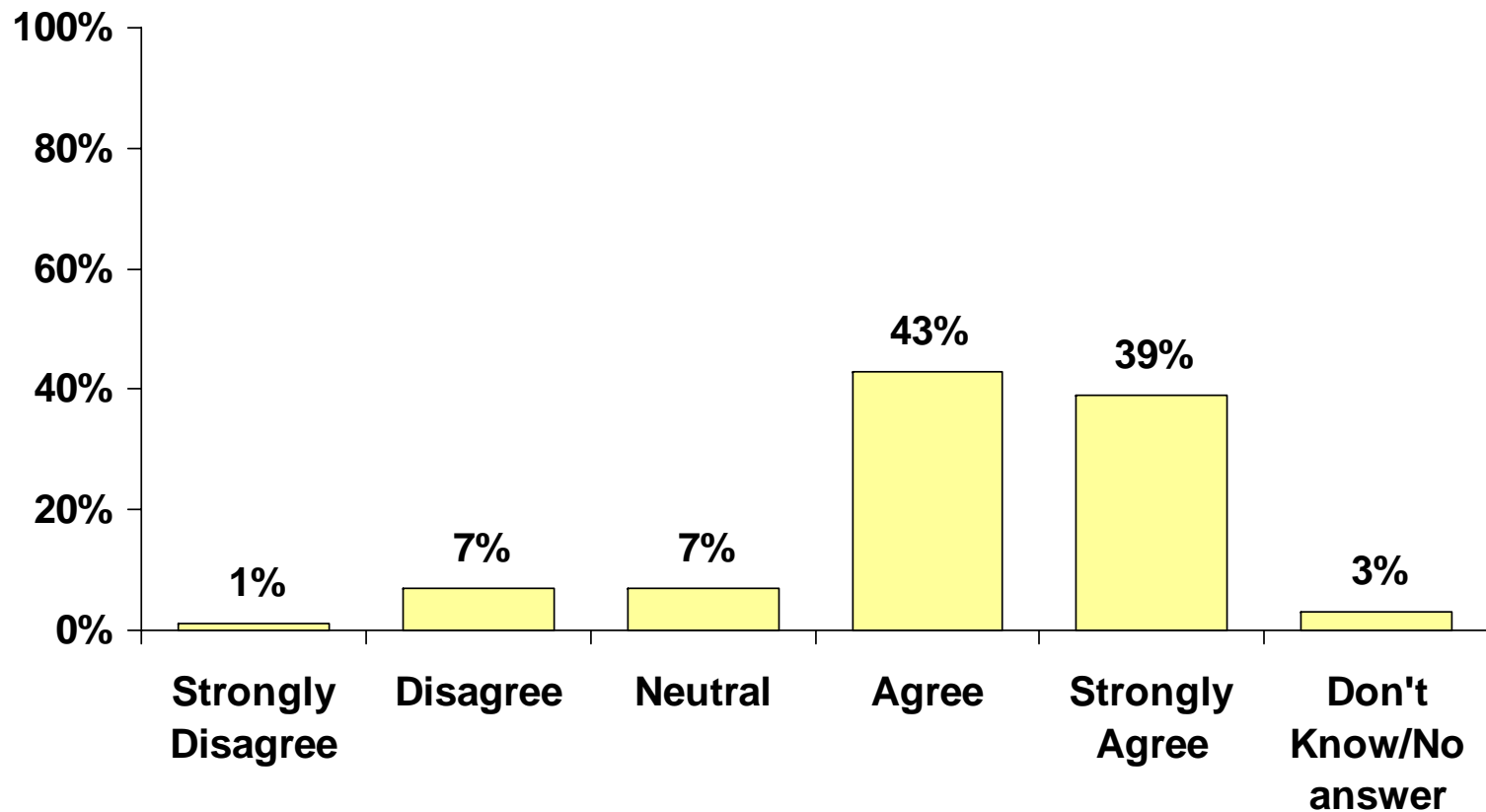


Proof Of Sustainable Forest Management

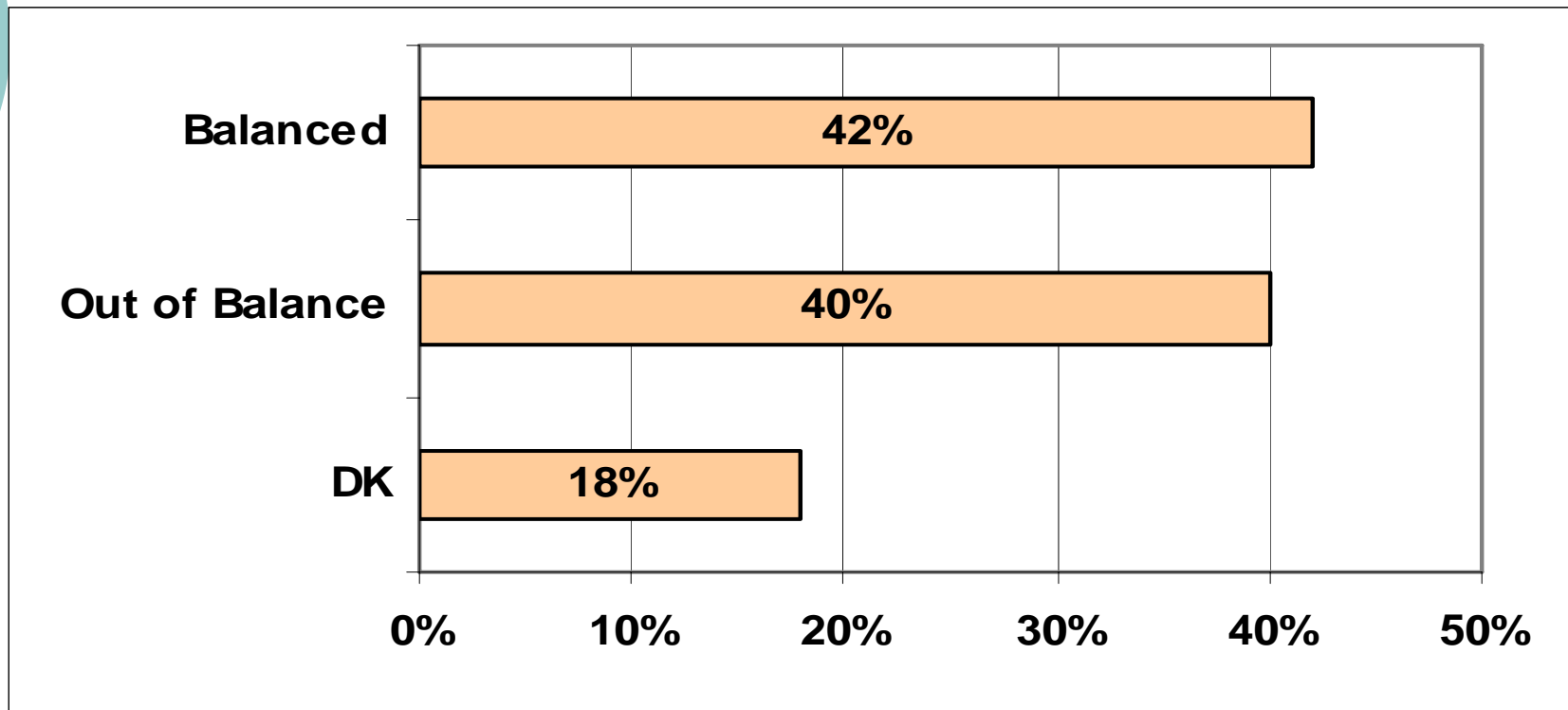
- 19% Replant Trees After Cut
- 13% Stop Clear-Cutting
- 8% Currently Doing a Good Job
- 8% More Selective Logging
- 8% More Information Available to
Public About Forest Conditions




National forests should be managed to balance timber harvest, wildlife conservation, recreation and other forest values.



“Some people say Oregon generally has a ‘balanced’ approach to forest management while other people feel things are out of balance. Which way do you feel?”





From the following list, which do you believe is the greatest contribution of Oregon's forest areas?

Oregon's forests provide ...

30.8% jobs and economic growth from logging

23.3% a home for endangered fish and wildlife

22.8% communities with clean, safe drinking water

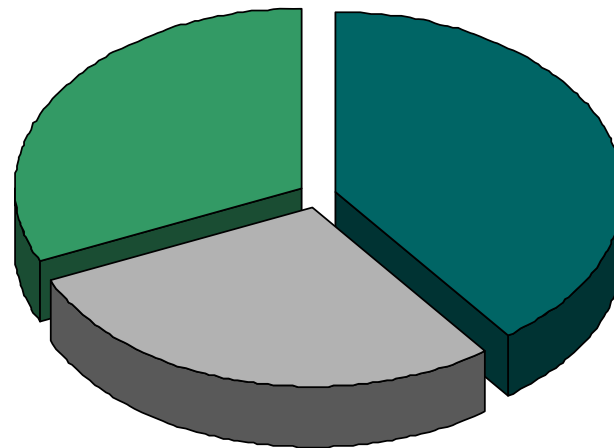
14.8% recreation activities like hiking, fishing, and camping

8.5% Don't know

Balance For Federal Forestlands Management



**Meeting a wide
range of social
needs including
employment,
recreation, and
revenues to support
healthy rural
communities, and
providing aesthetic
and spiritual values
32%**



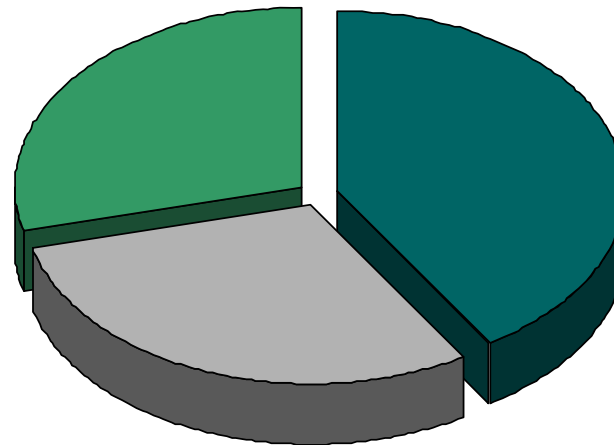
**Growing forests for
products people use
29%**

**Protection of
water quality
and wildlife
habitat
40%**

Balance For Private Forestlands Management



**Meeting a wide
range of social
needs including
employment,
recreation, and
revenues to support
healthy rural
communities, and
providing aesthetic
and spiritual values
29%**



**Protection of
water quality
and wildlife
habitat
41%**

**Growing forests for
products people use
30%**