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- > **Athens-Clarke County**
- > **Comprehensive Plan Survey**

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- > **What are the most important issues facing Athens-Clarke County?**

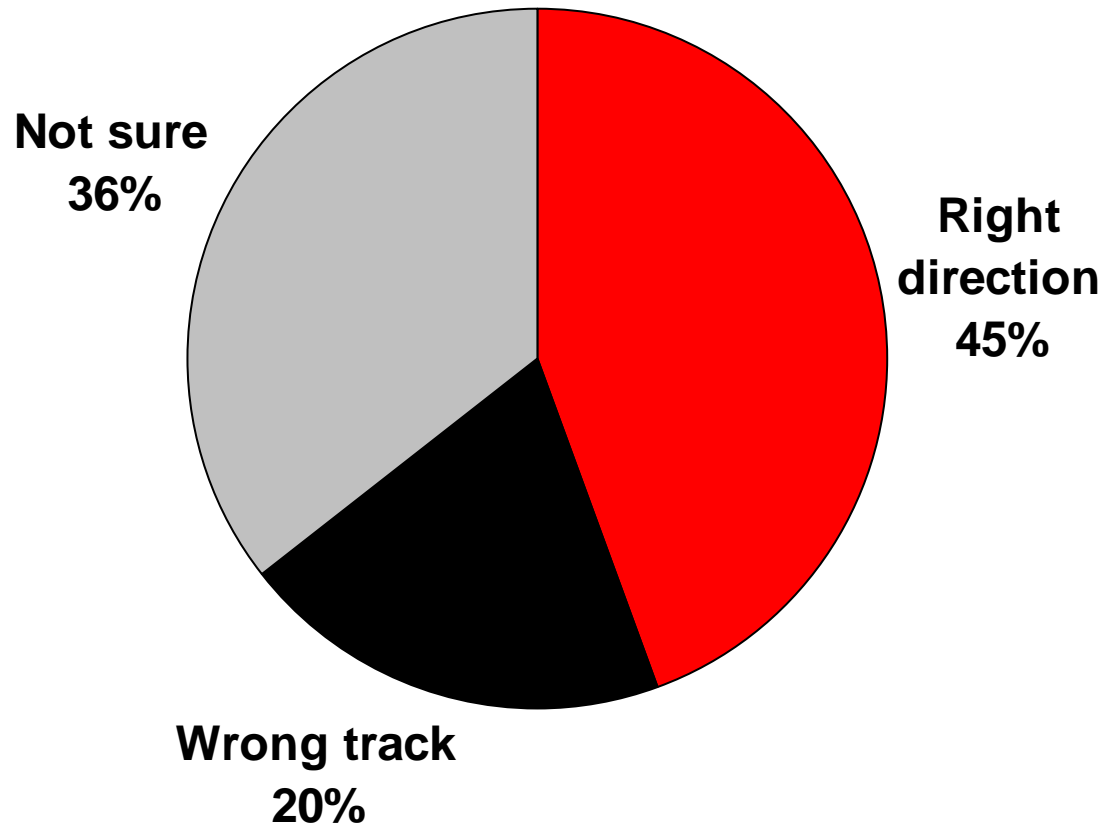
| | Listed as most important issue | Listed as one of three most important issues |
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| Poverty | 15.3% | 30.1% |
| Sprawl/overcrowding | 10.5% | 25.2% |
| Education | 9.8% | 24.5% |
| Traffic/transportation | 9.5% | 28.3% |
| Crime | 7.8% | 25.6% |
| Jobs | 6.8% | 27.1% |

> **What do people like best about Athens-Clarke County?**

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| Downtown/restaurants/entertainment | 46.7% |
| Size/small town/quiet town | 33.3% |
| UGA | 22.9% |
| Diversity/people | 18.6% |
| Climate/environment/location | 14.4% |

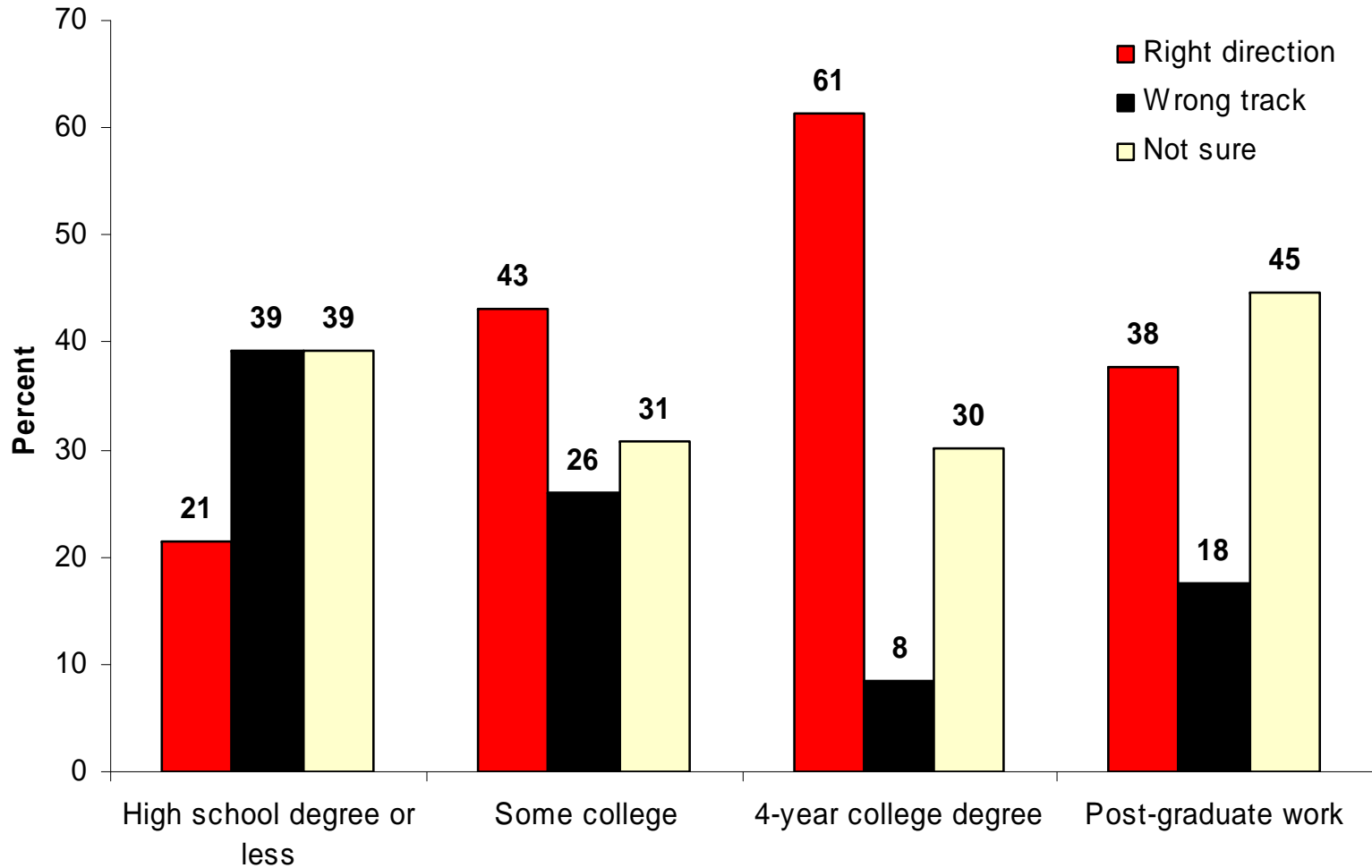
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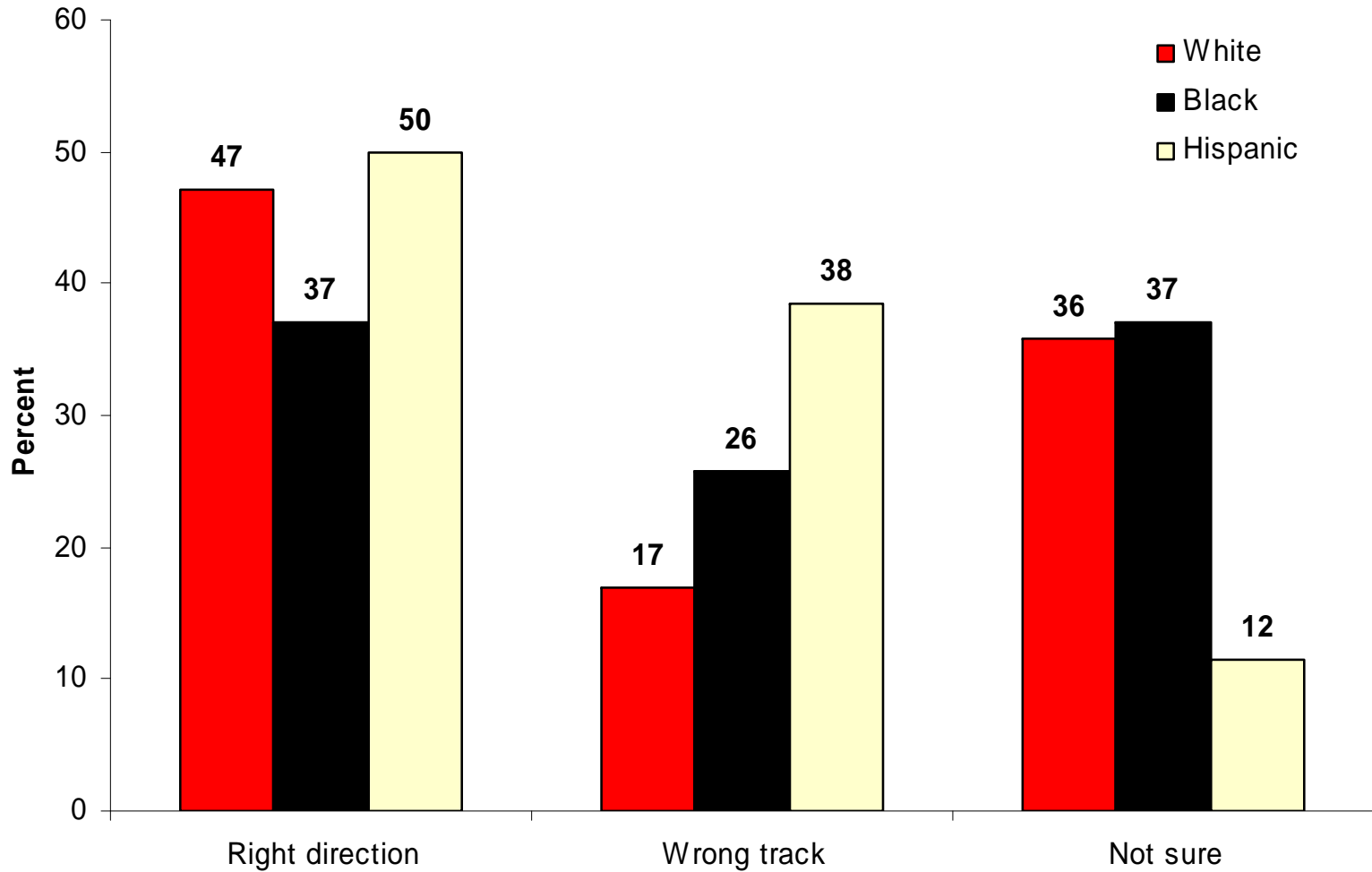
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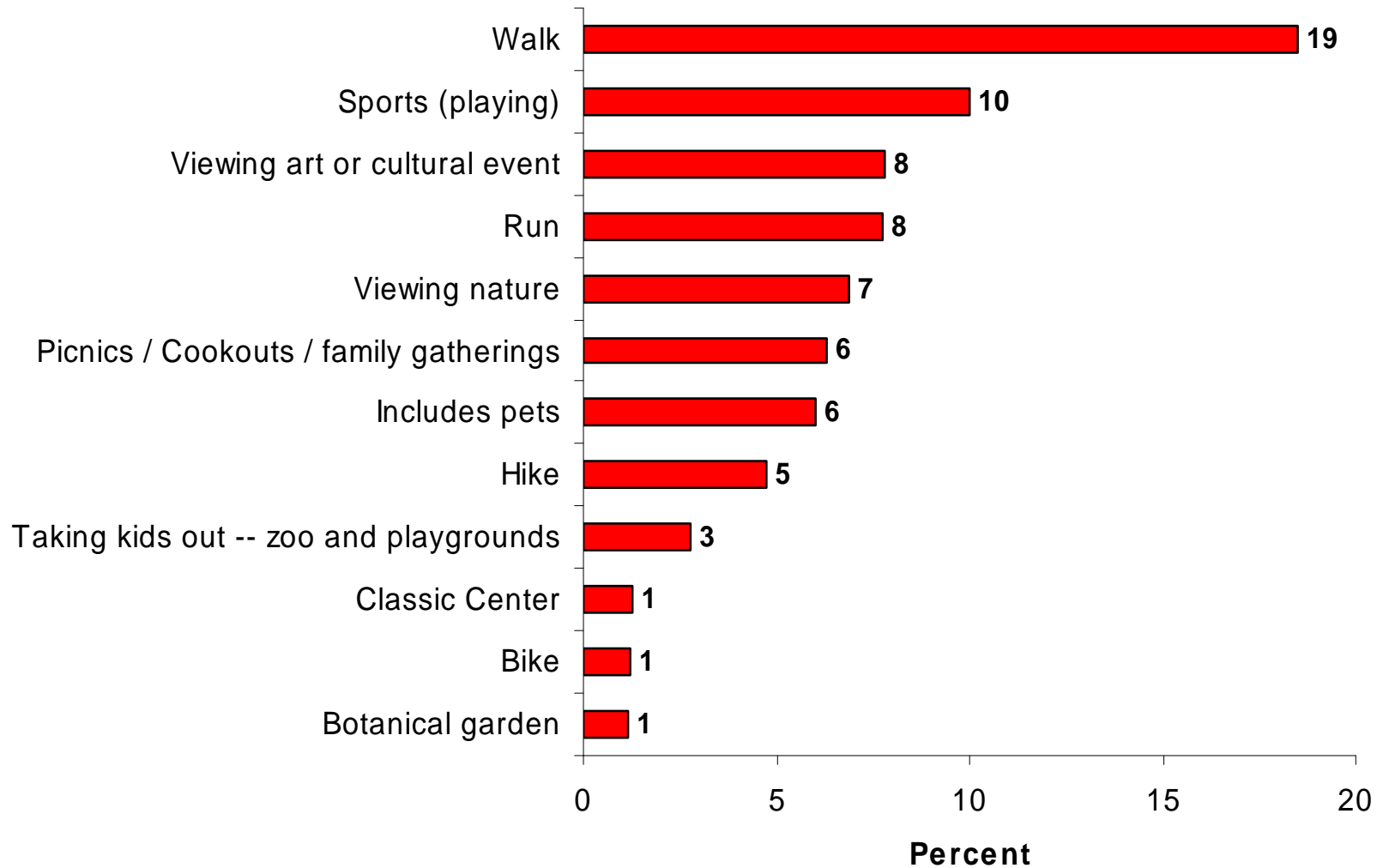
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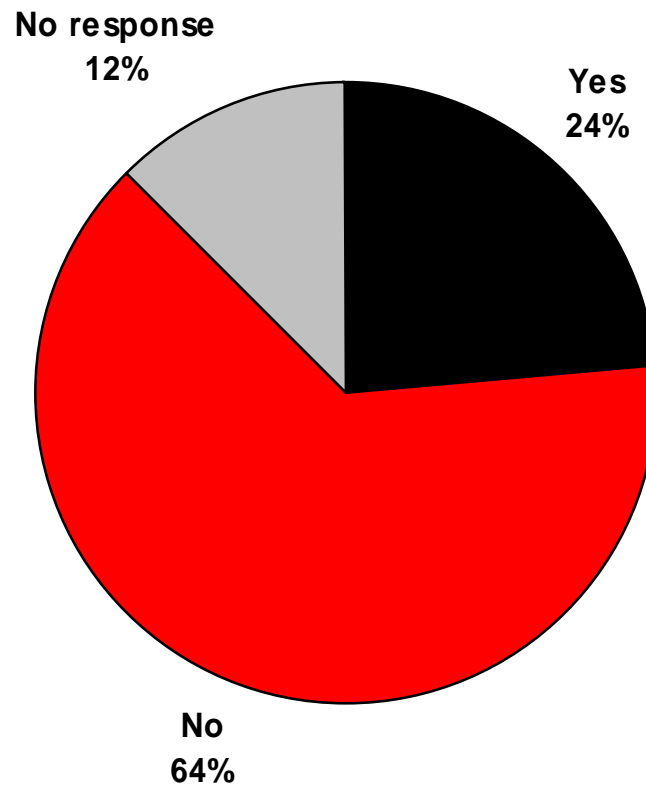


> Favorite Activity in Athens

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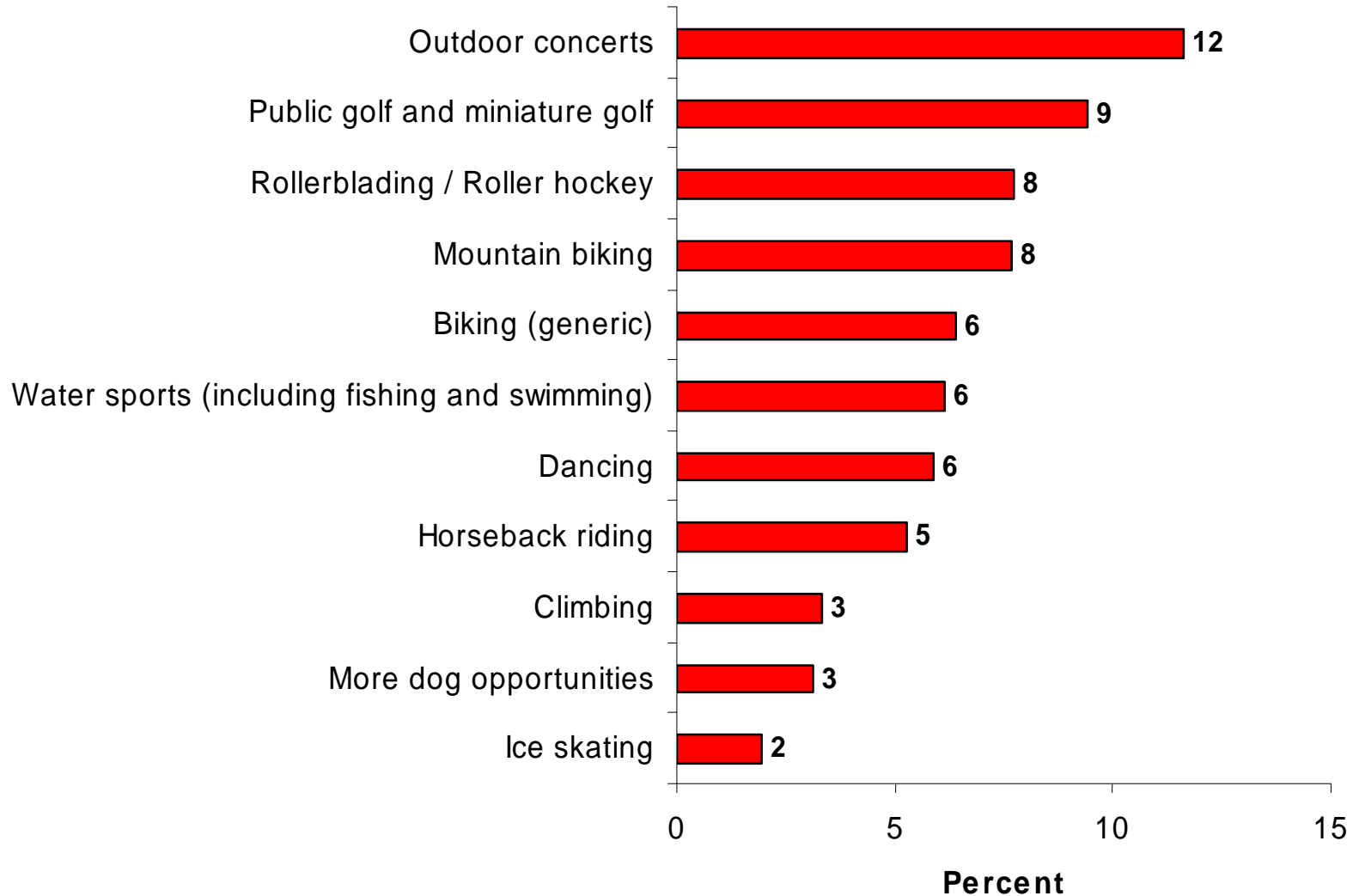


- > **Desired Activities for Which There is No Support**



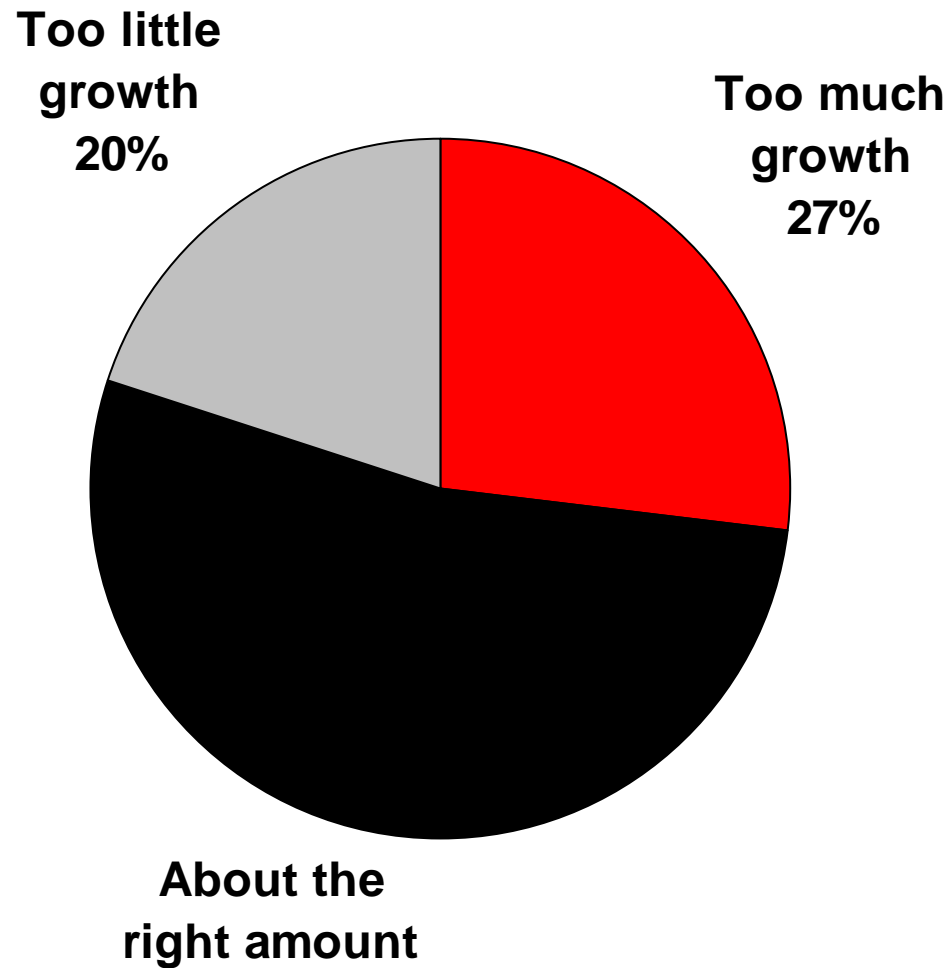
> Desired Activities that are Not Supported

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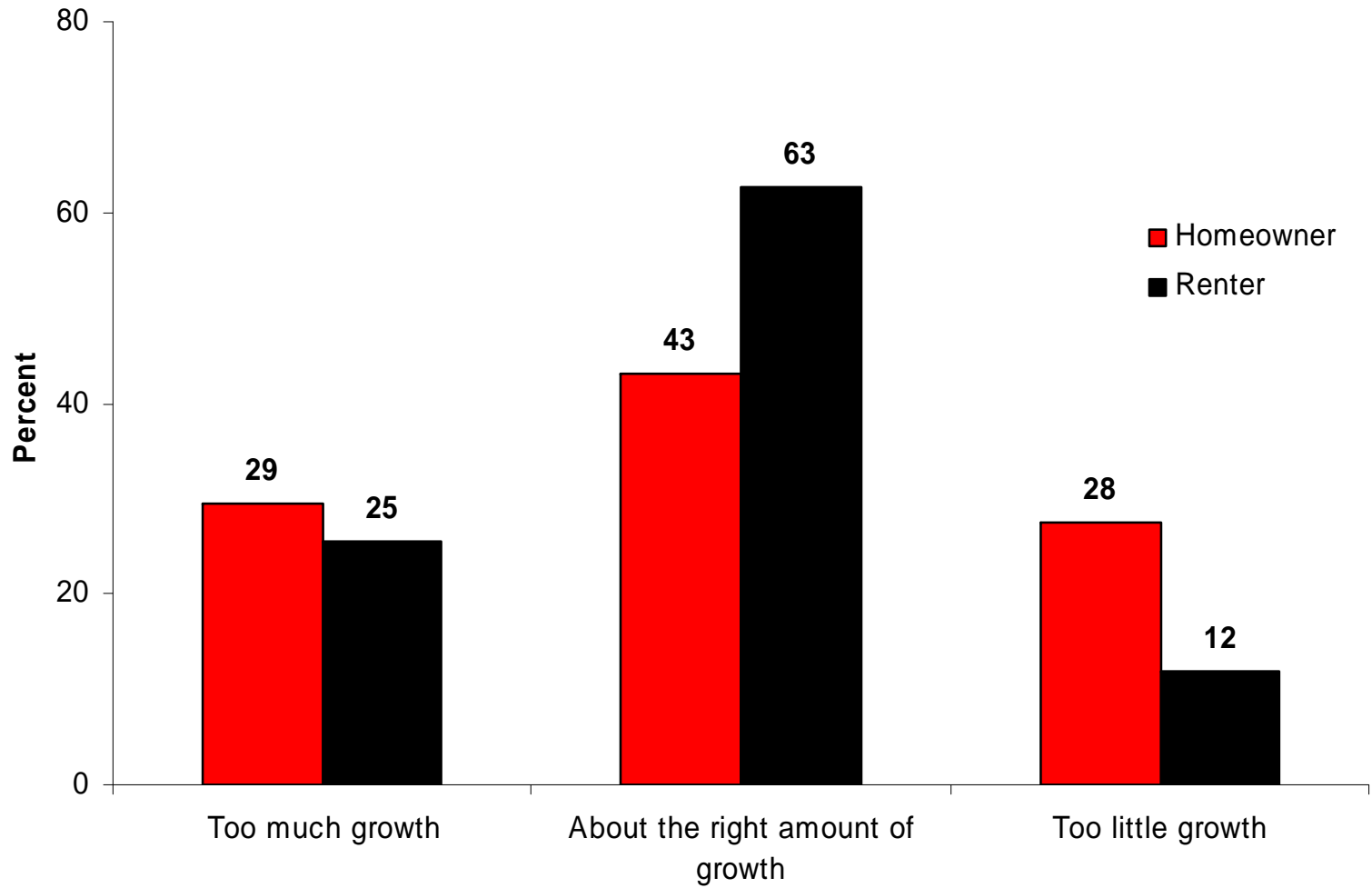
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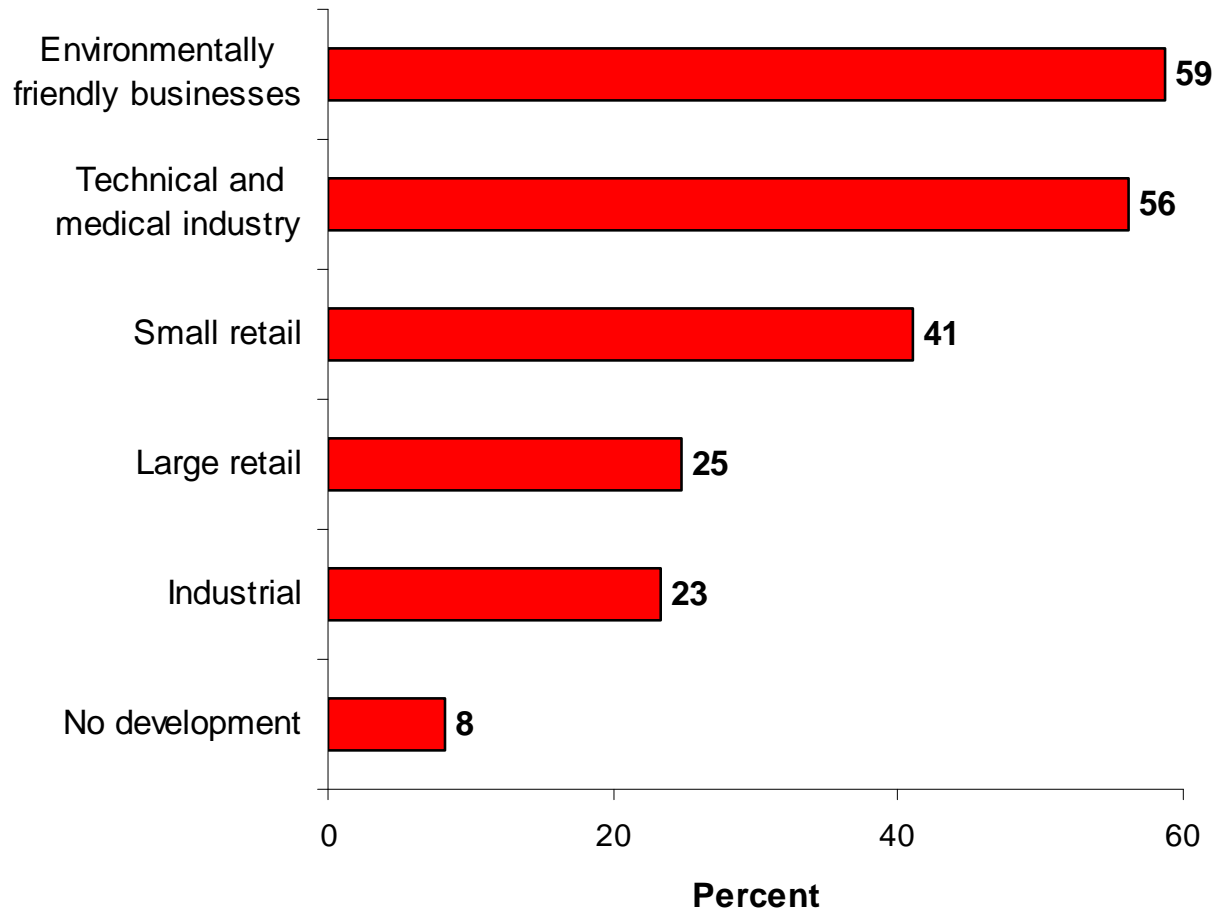
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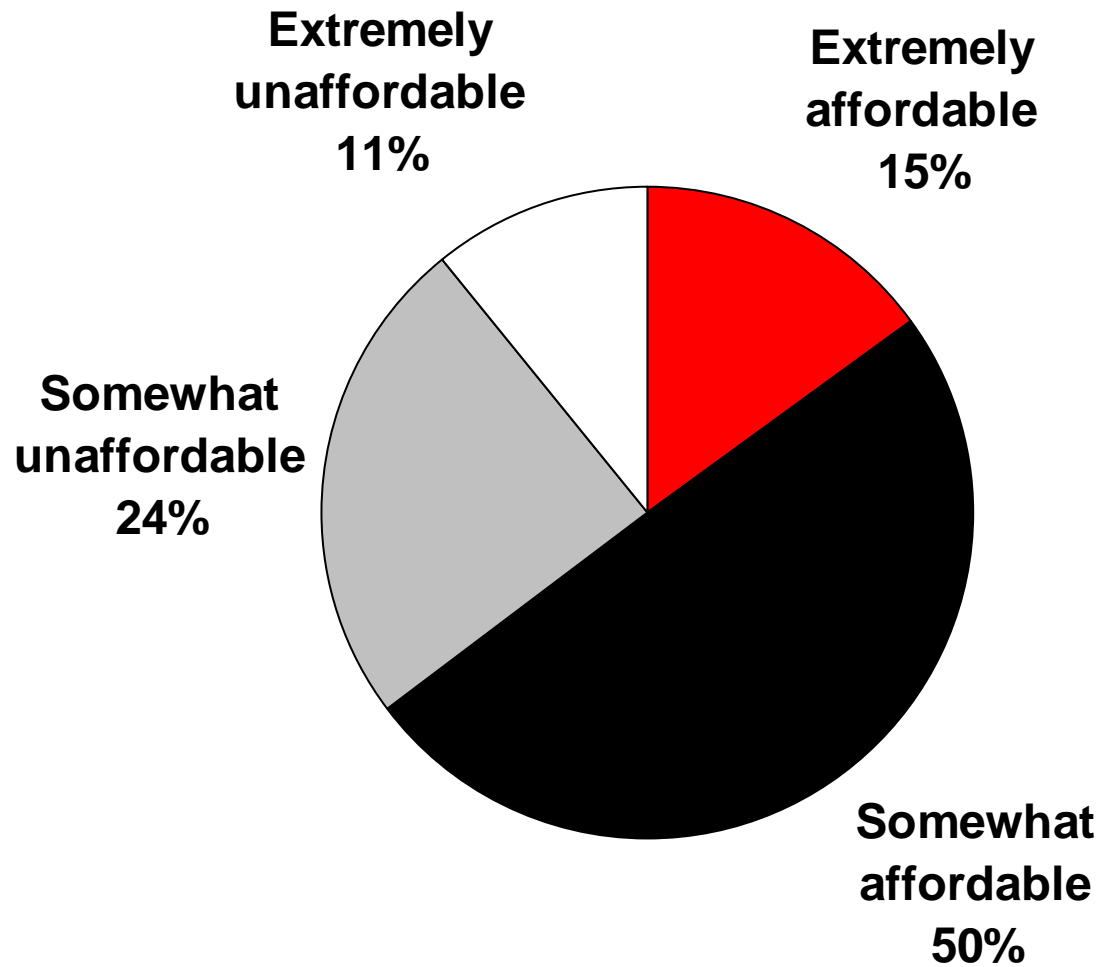
> What type of development would you like to attract?

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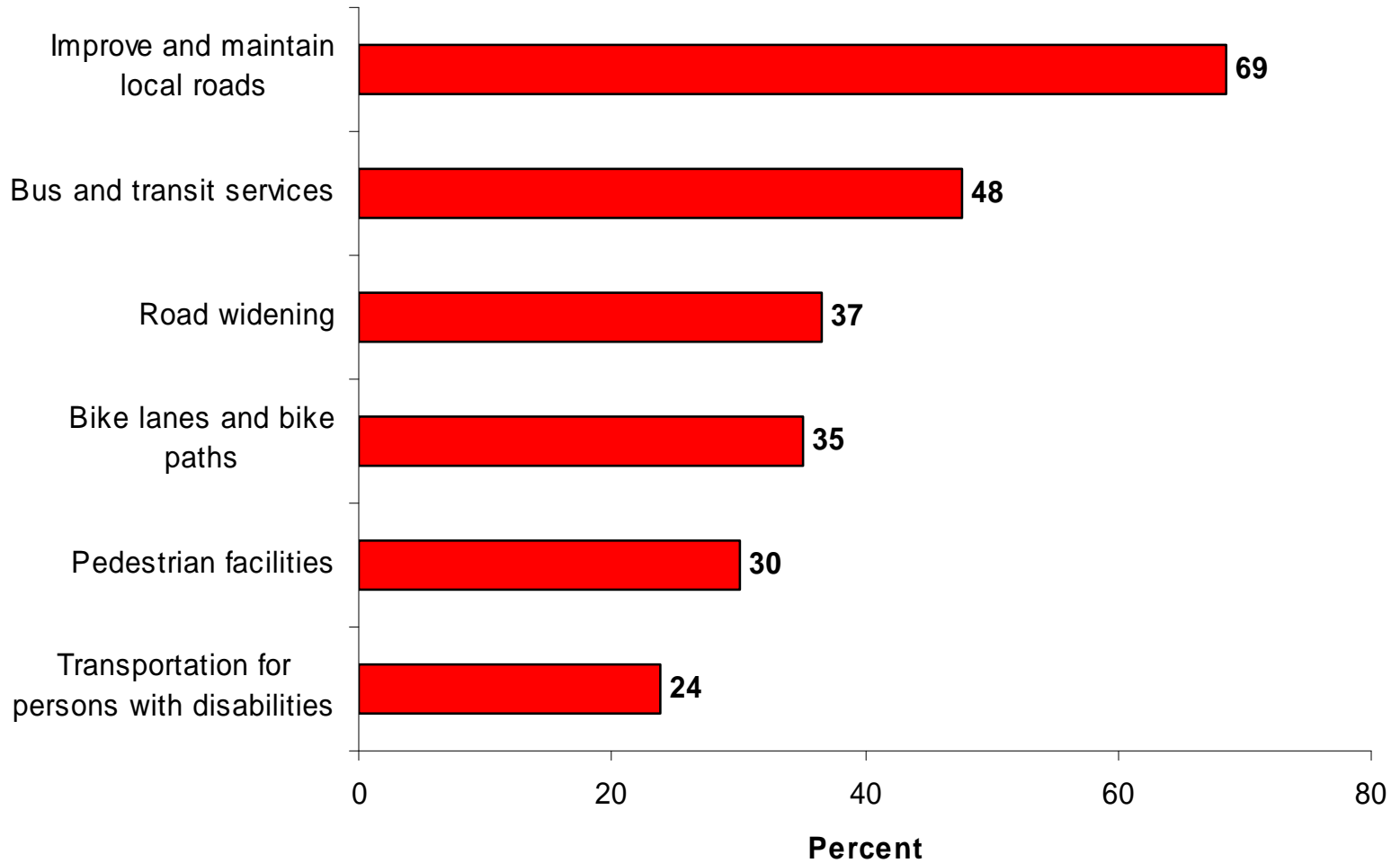
> Cost of housing

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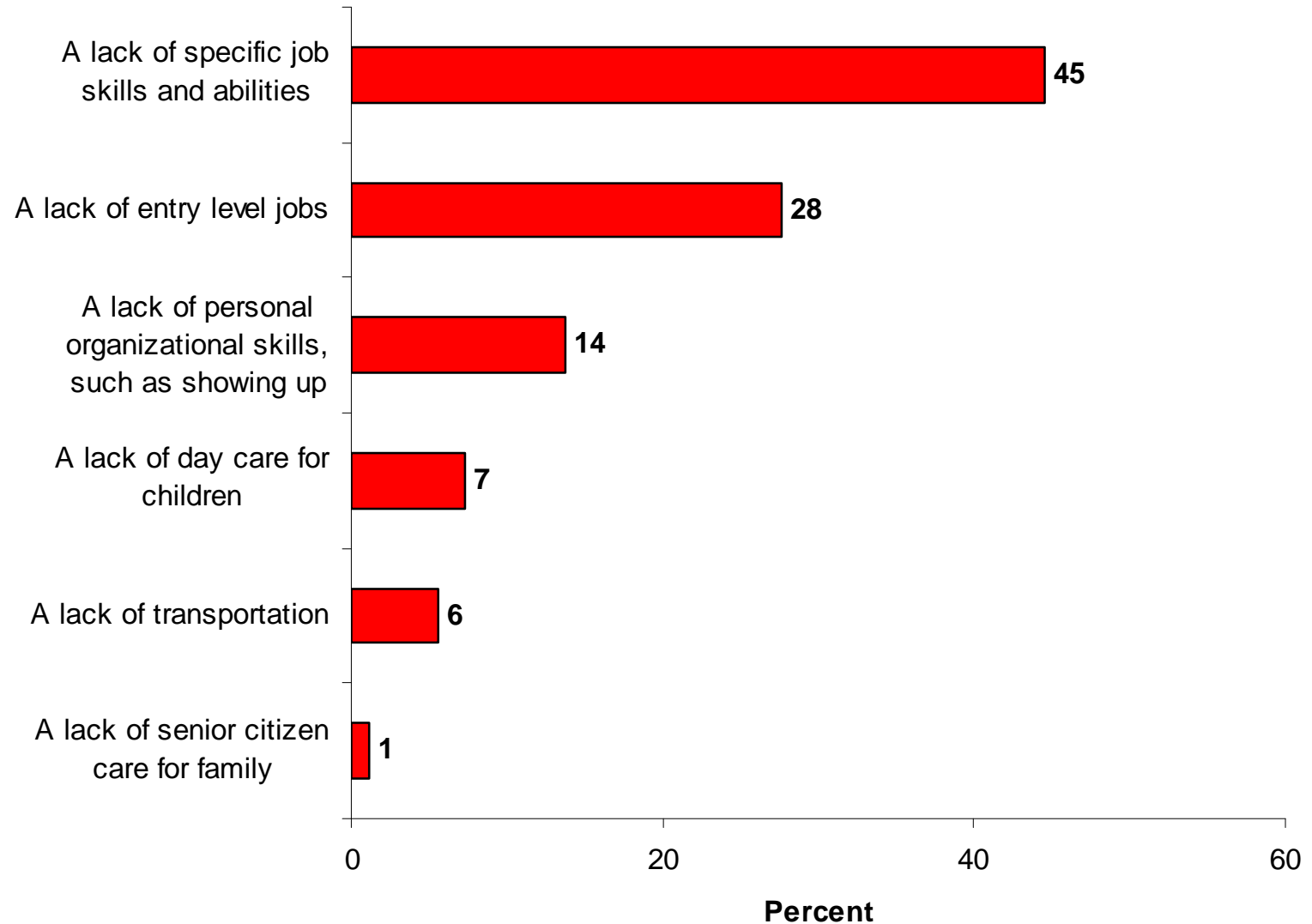
> Transportation resources

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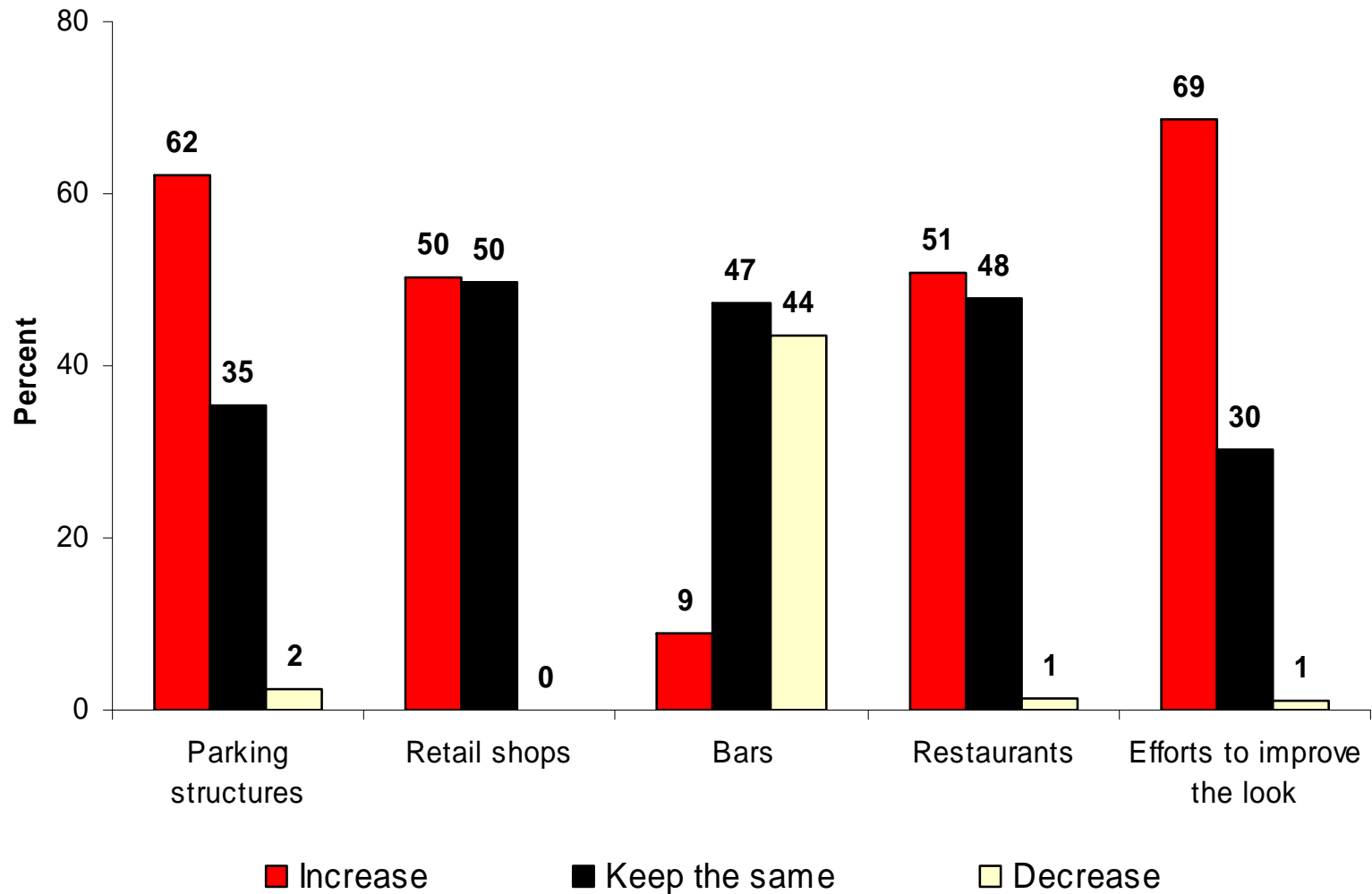
> Barriers to Employment

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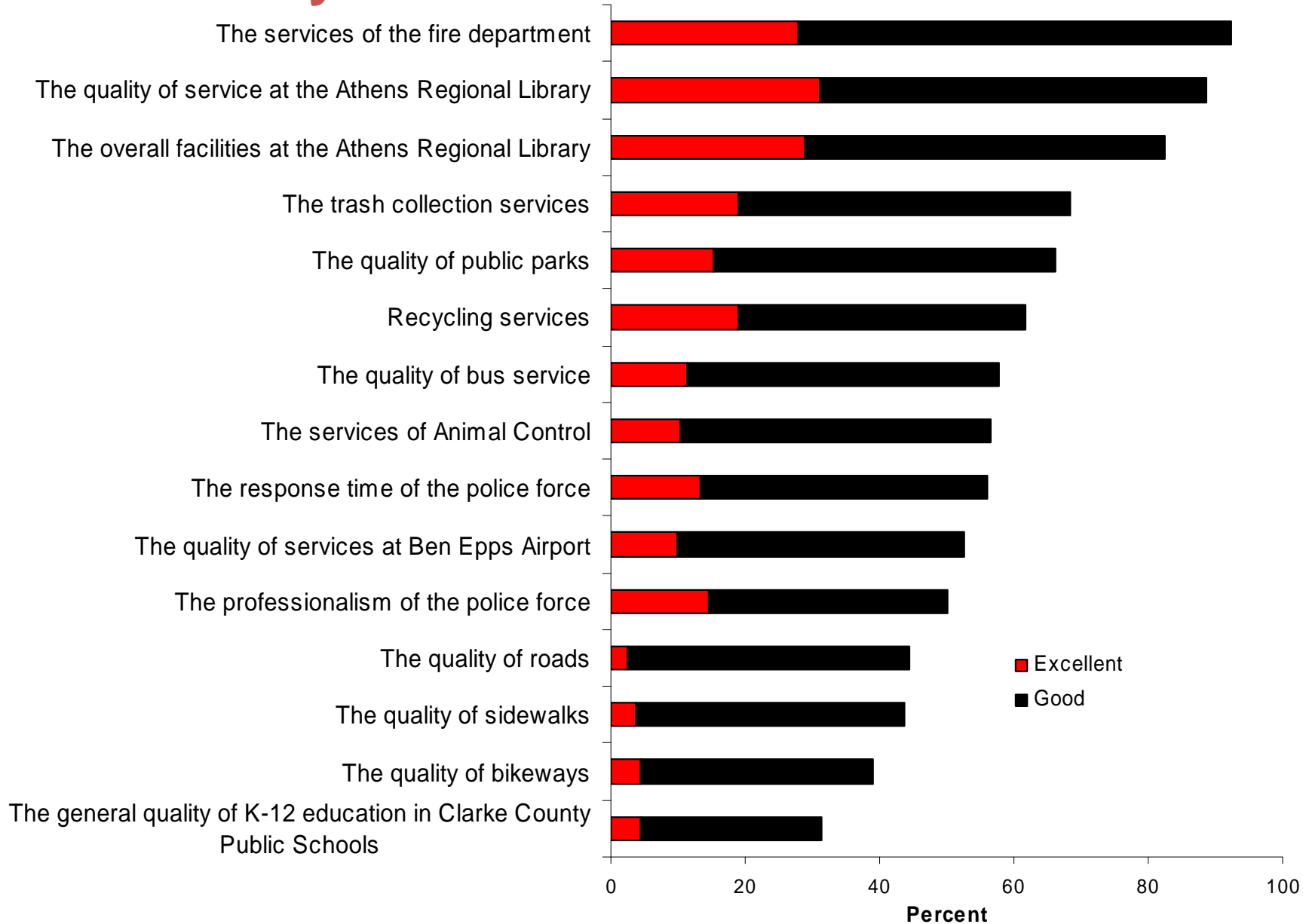


> Increase or Decrease?

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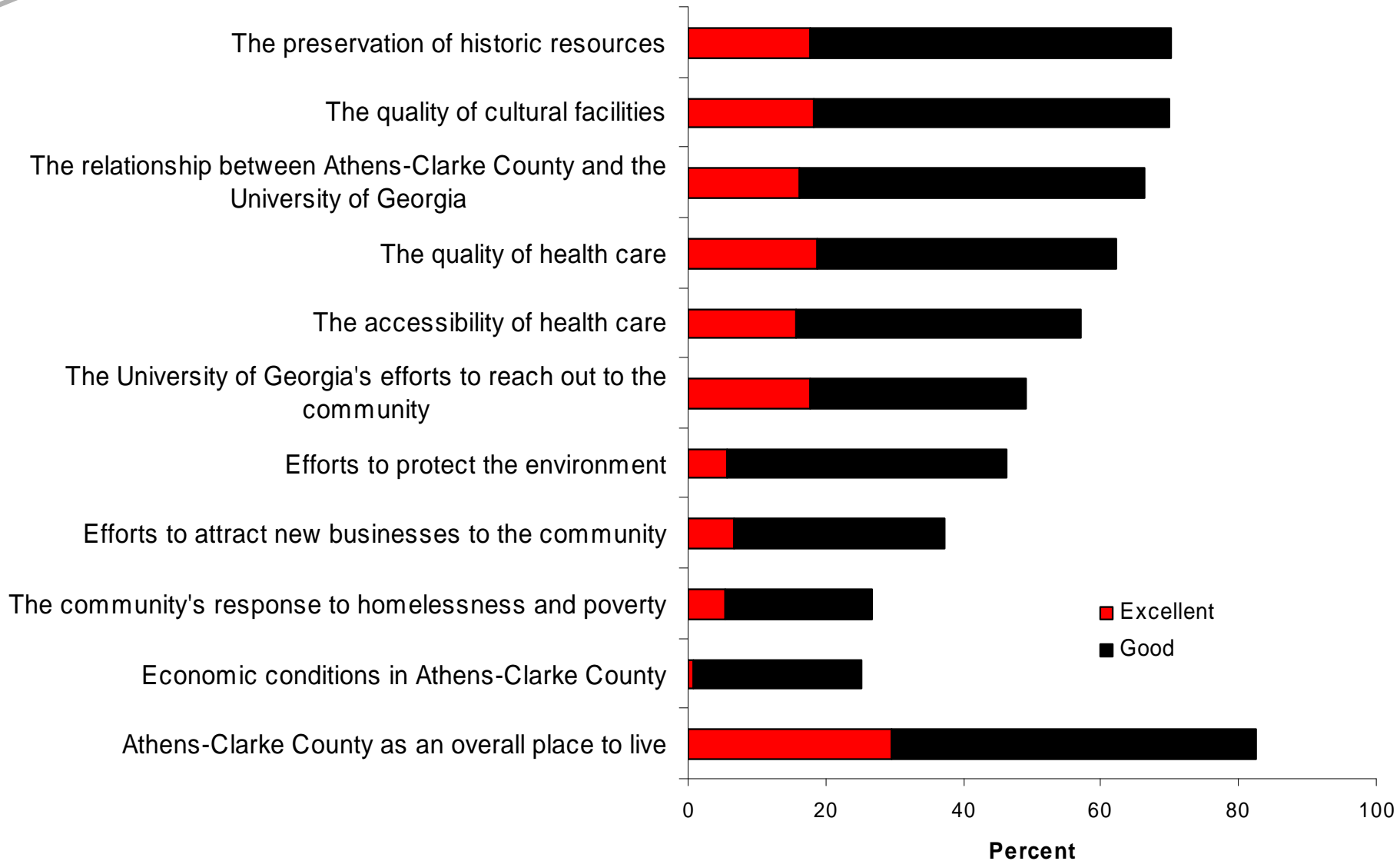


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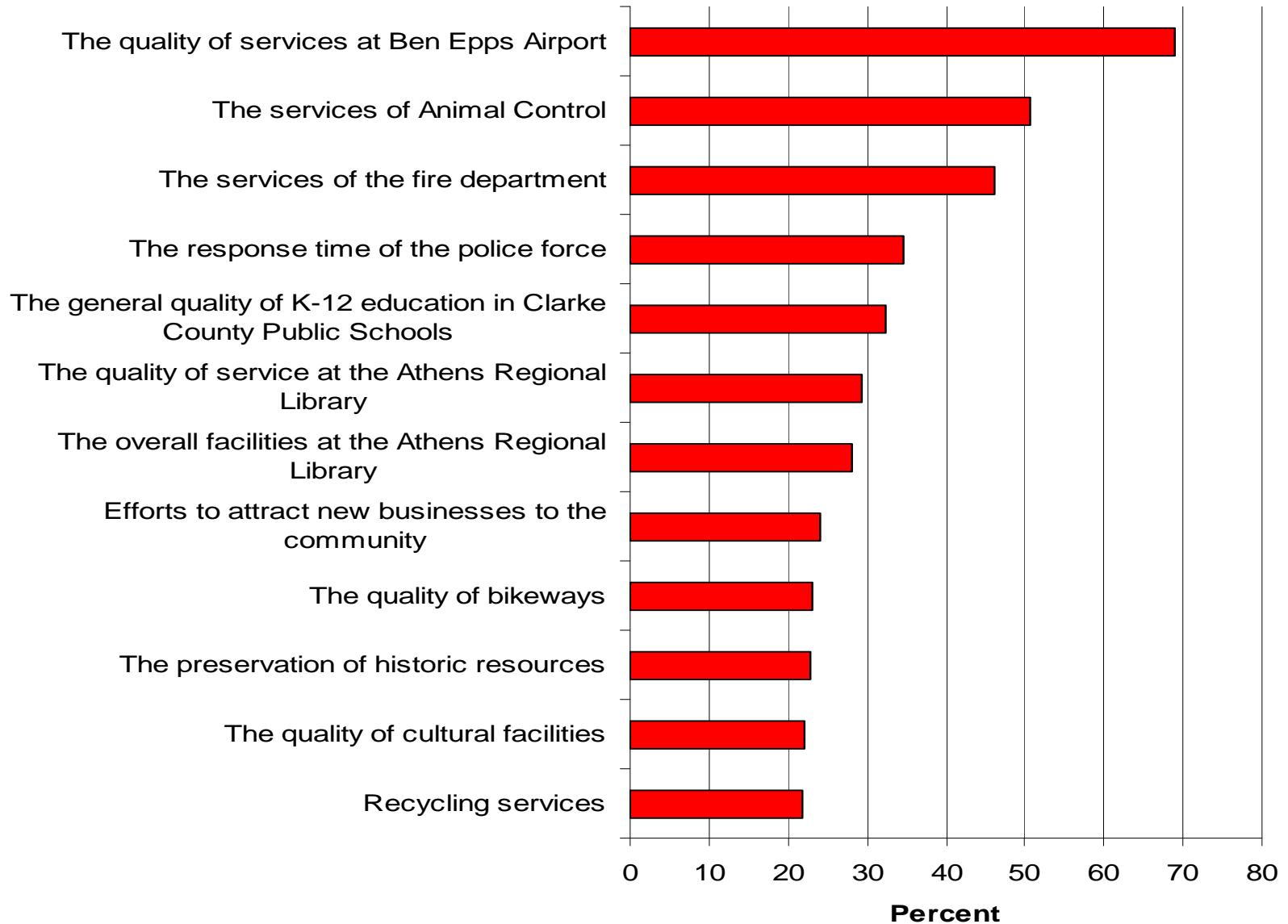
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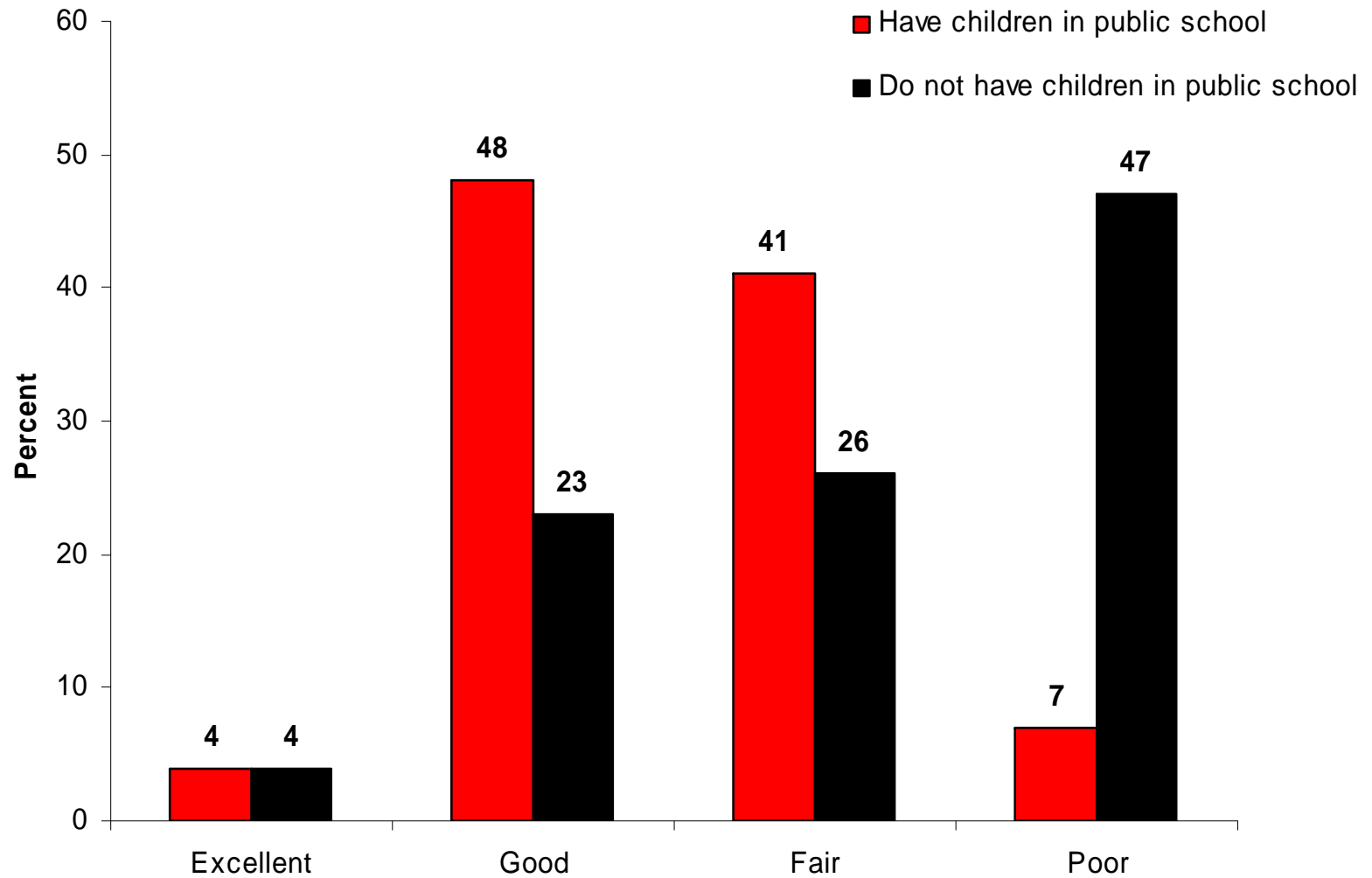
> Percentage of unsure responses

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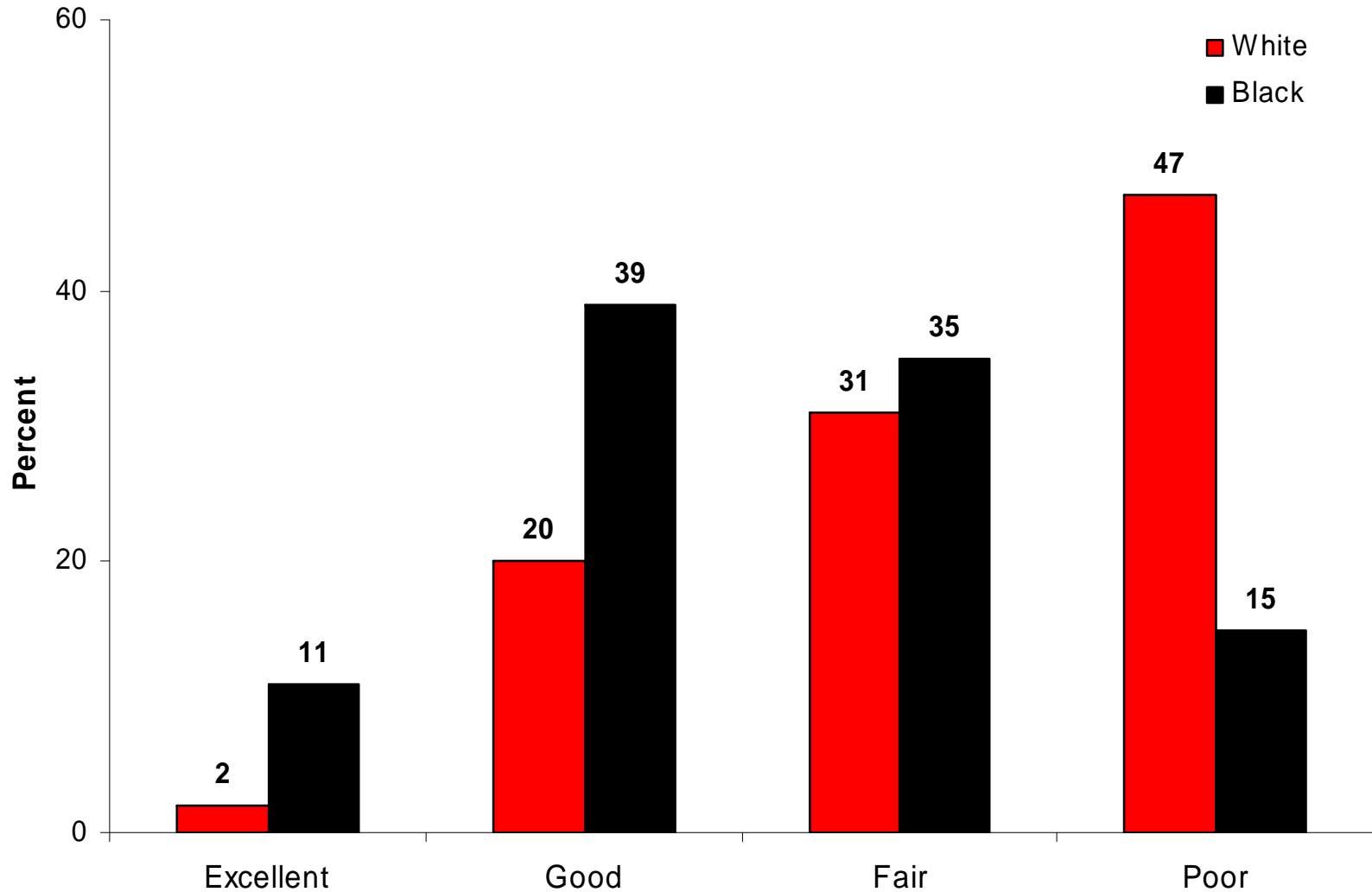
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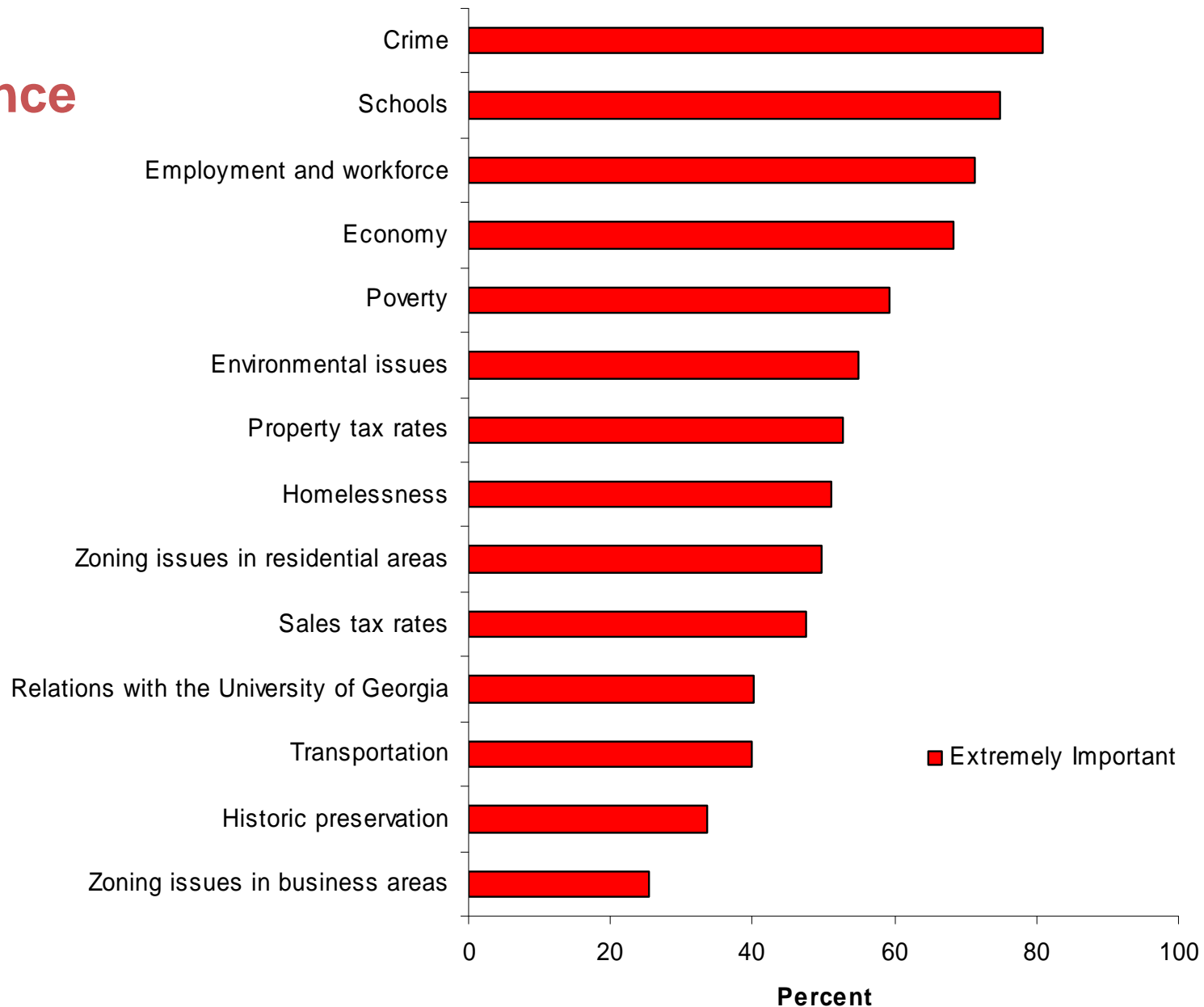


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> **Level of**
> **Importance**



> Policy Support



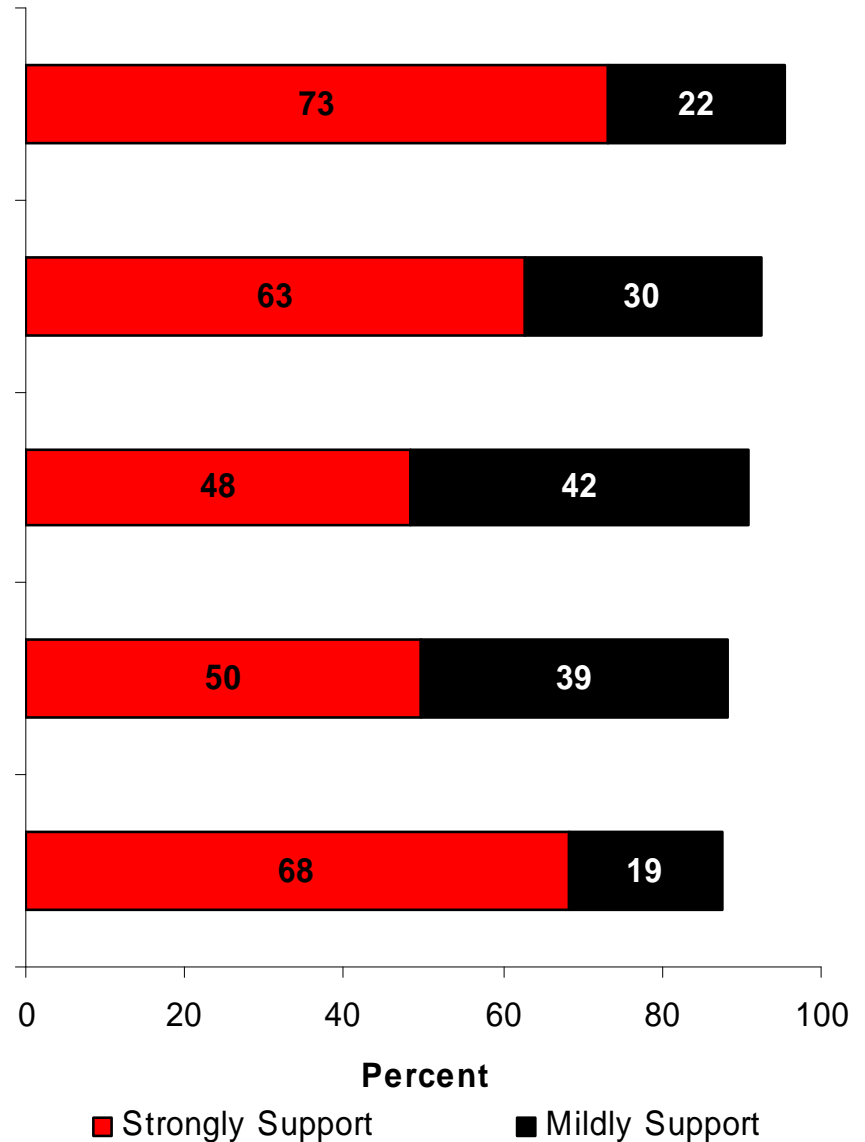
Expand avenues for parents and community members to be involved in student's learning in the Clarke County Public Schools

Having Athens-Clarke County Government provide more job training opportunities for residents

Collaborating with other cities and counties in Northeast Georgia to develop a regional economy

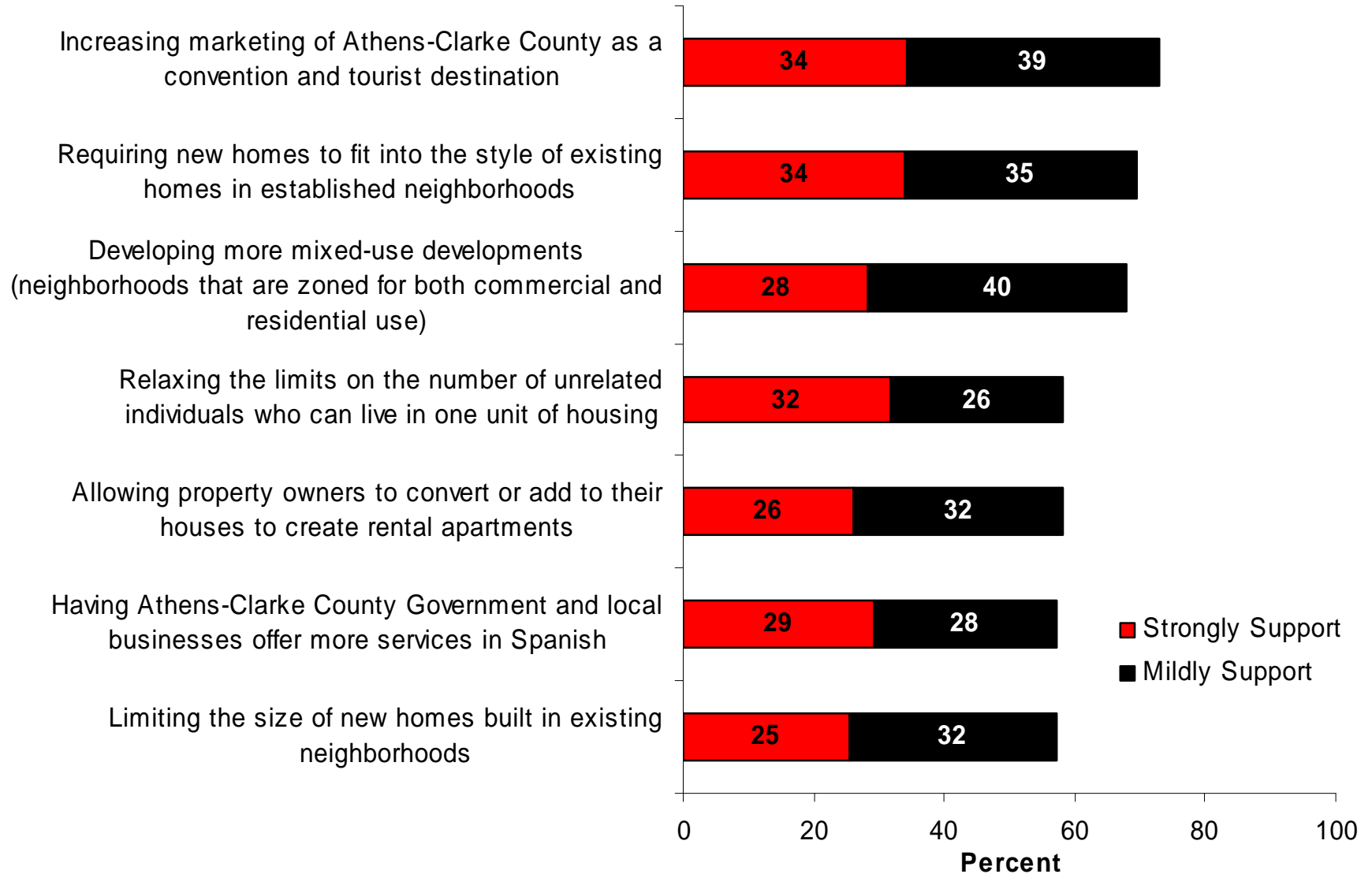
Increasing efforts to attract new businesses

Creating commuter rail service between Athens and Atlanta



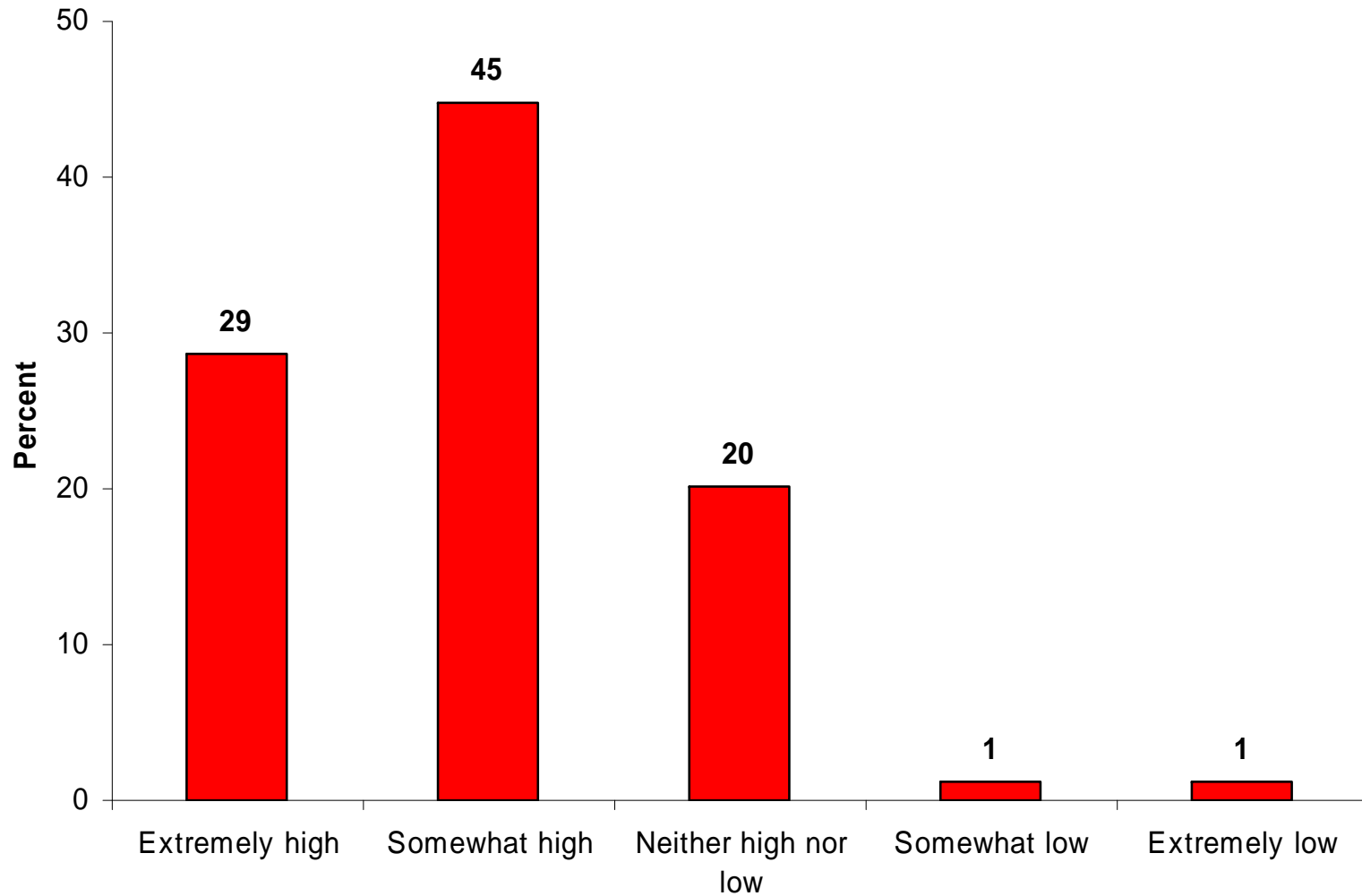
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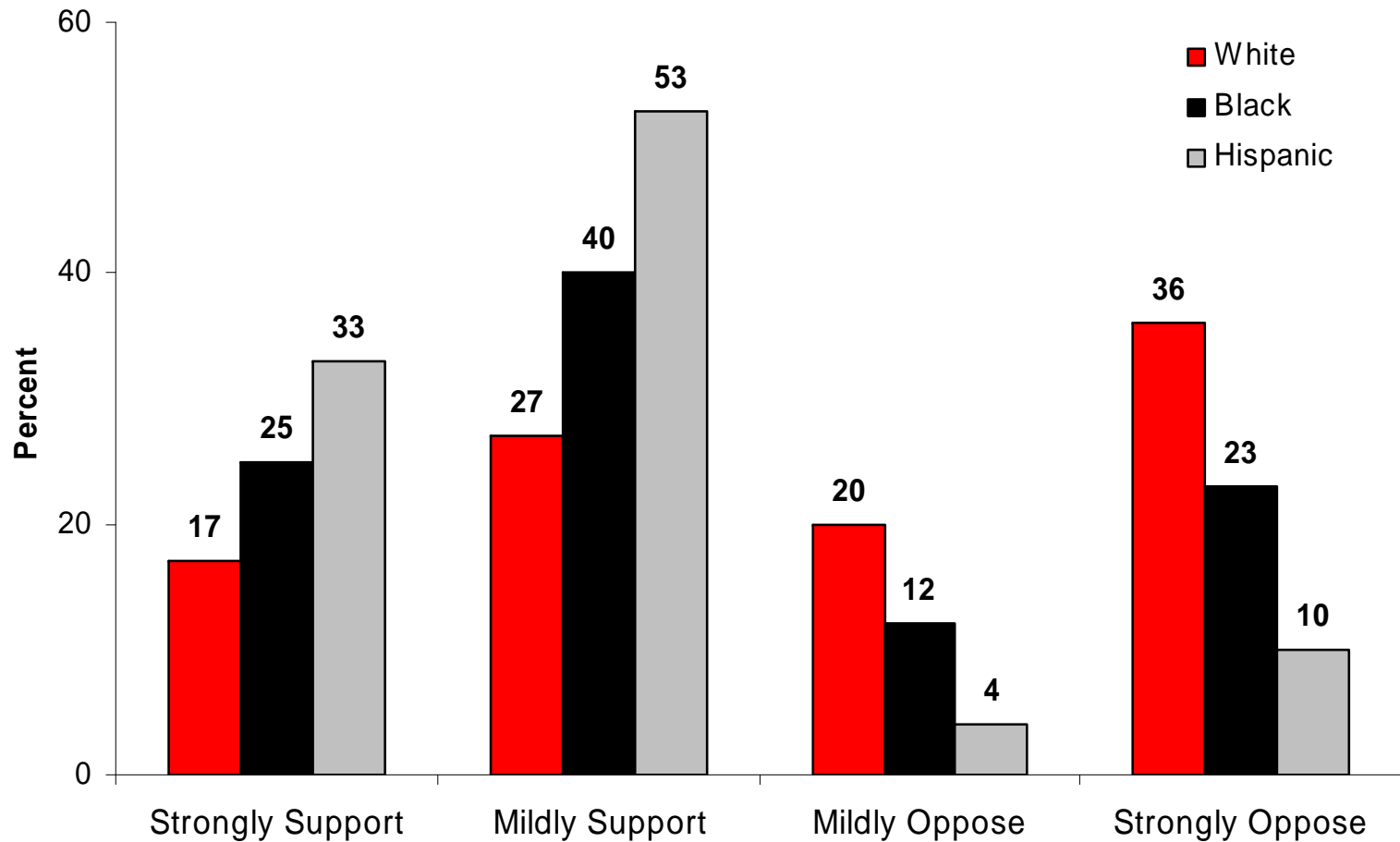


> Property Taxes

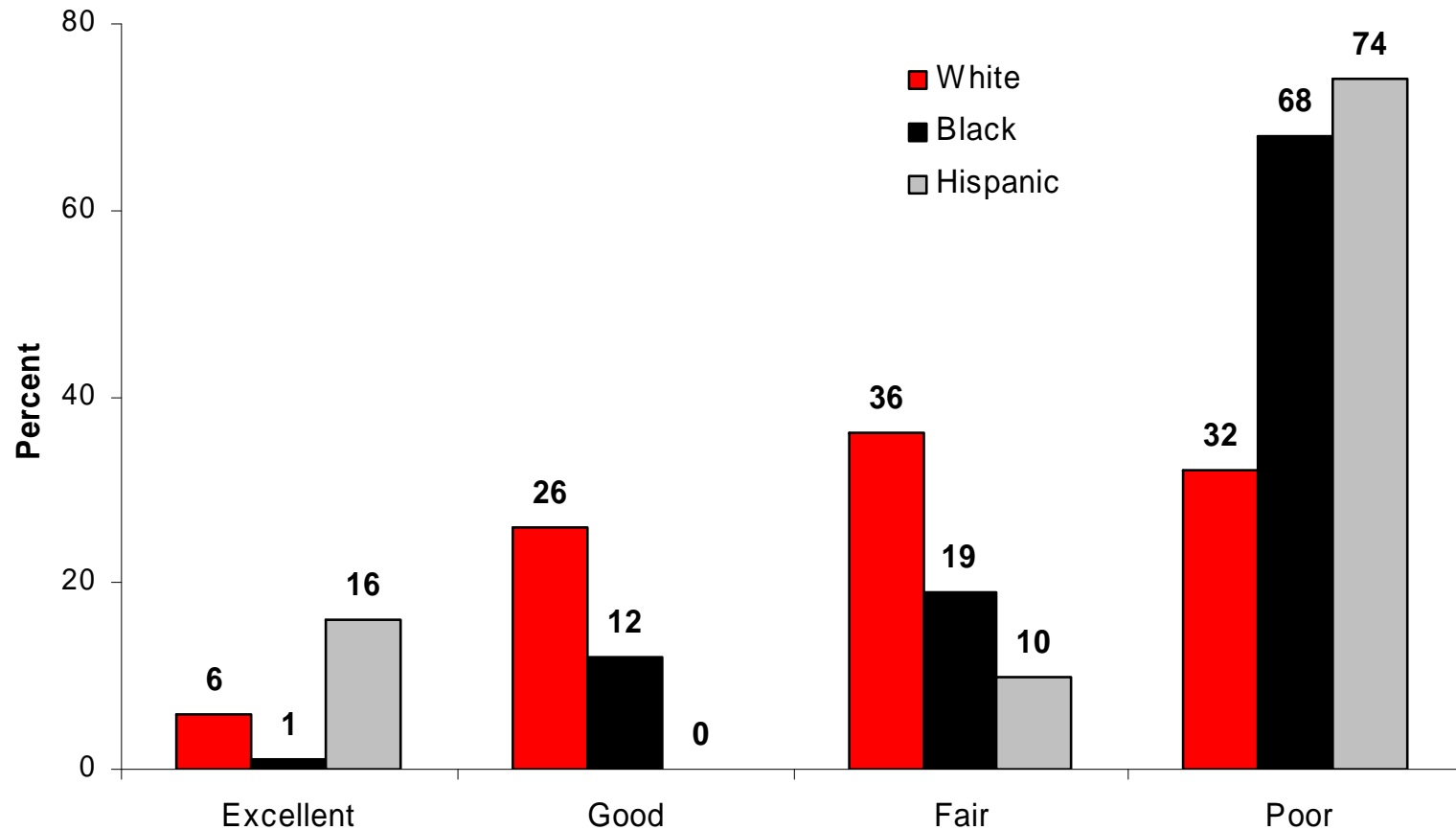
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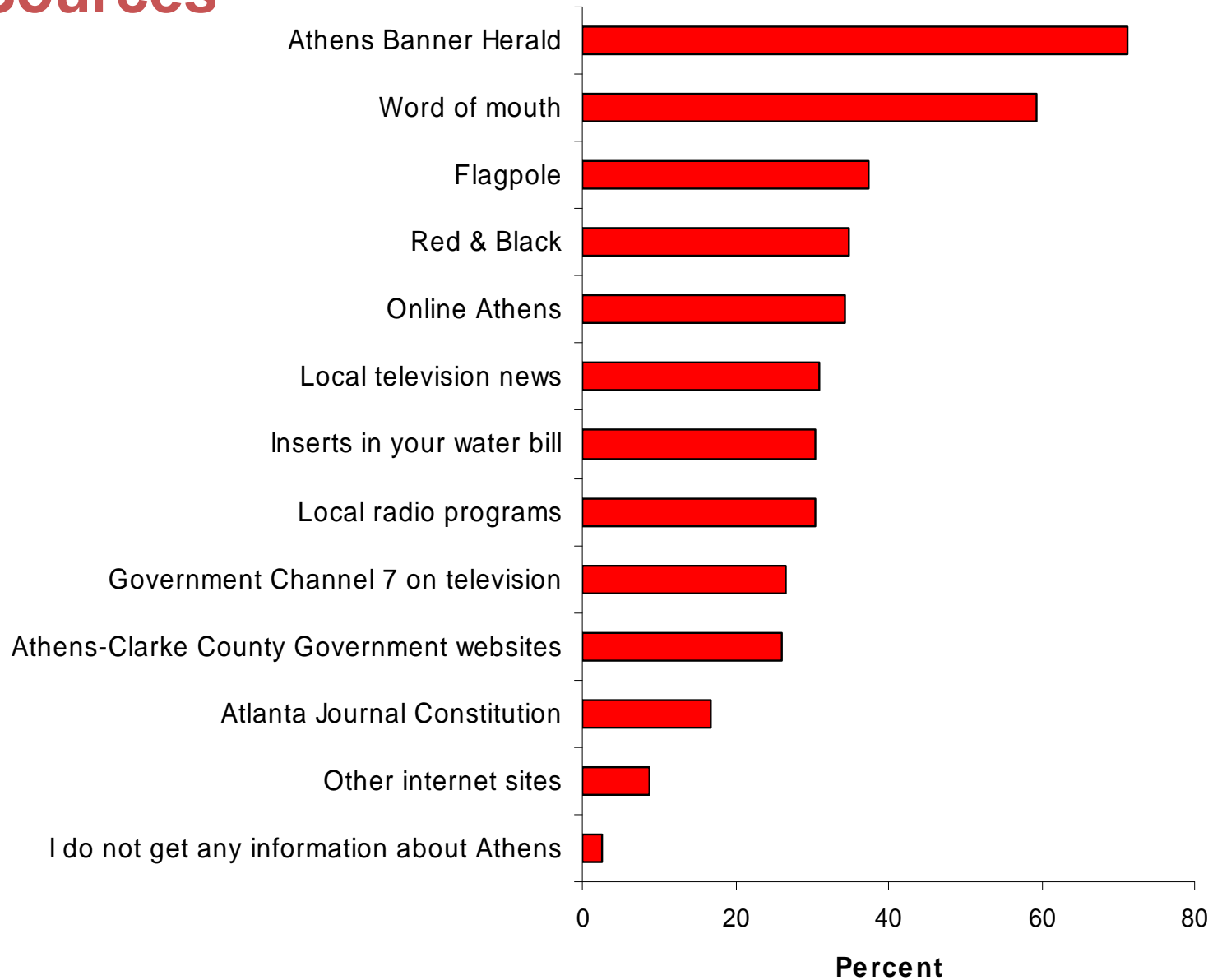
- > Increasing the number of services offered in
- > Spanish



> **Community's response to homelessness and poverty**



> News Sources



> **Conclusions**

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ACC positives are much stronger than negatives

- A plurality see the county heading in the right direction
- A majority think that the current rate of growth in the county is about right
- The ACC government is generally well regarded
- UGA, Botanical Garden, and Classic Center seen as major assets for the community