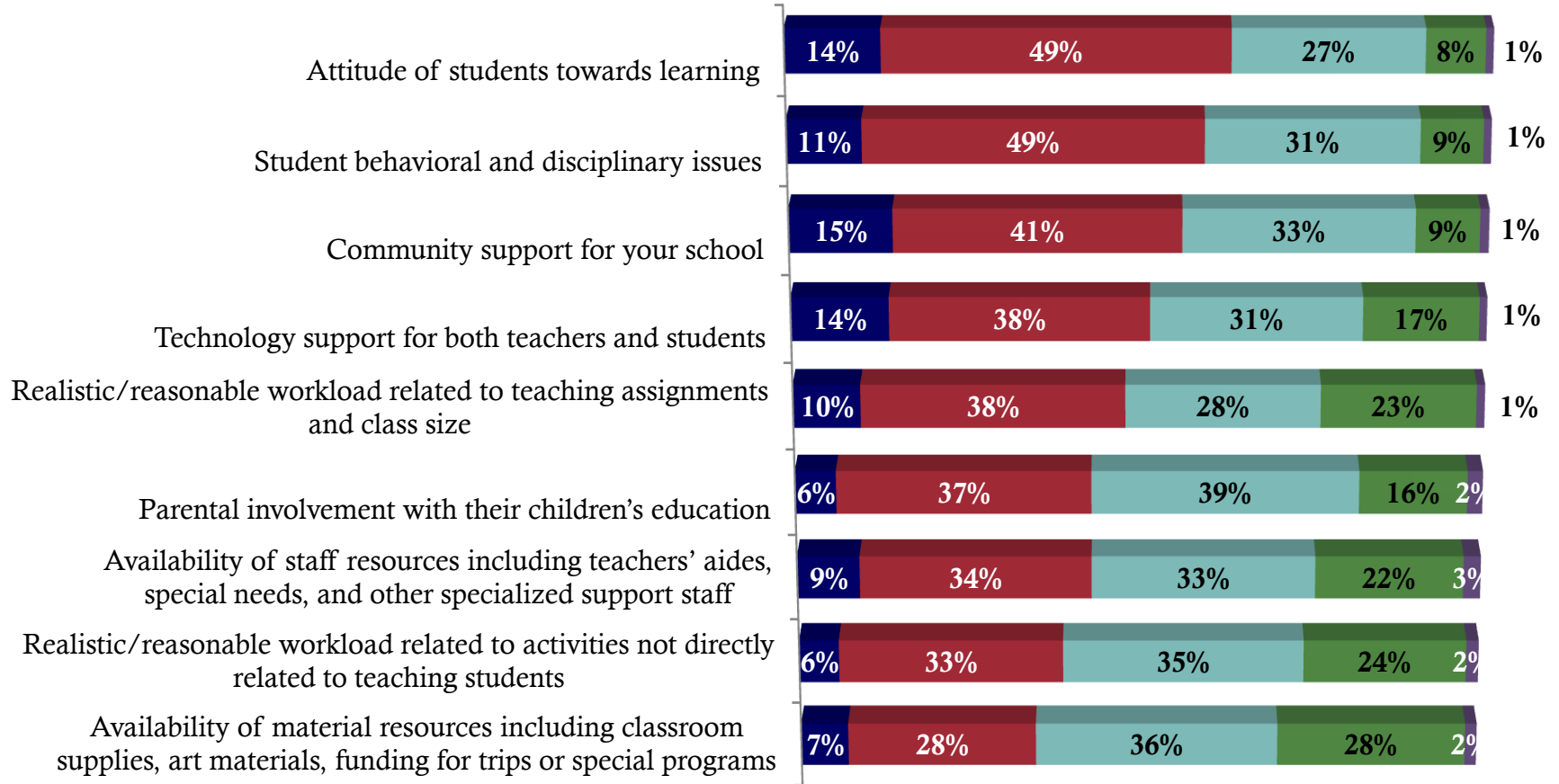


Progress Report, Budget Cuts, Educator Families, Childhood Obesity, and Section 125

Horace Mann Educator Advisory Panel
October 2010

Current Year Progress Report

Overall, how would you rate the new school year so far in each of the following general areas?

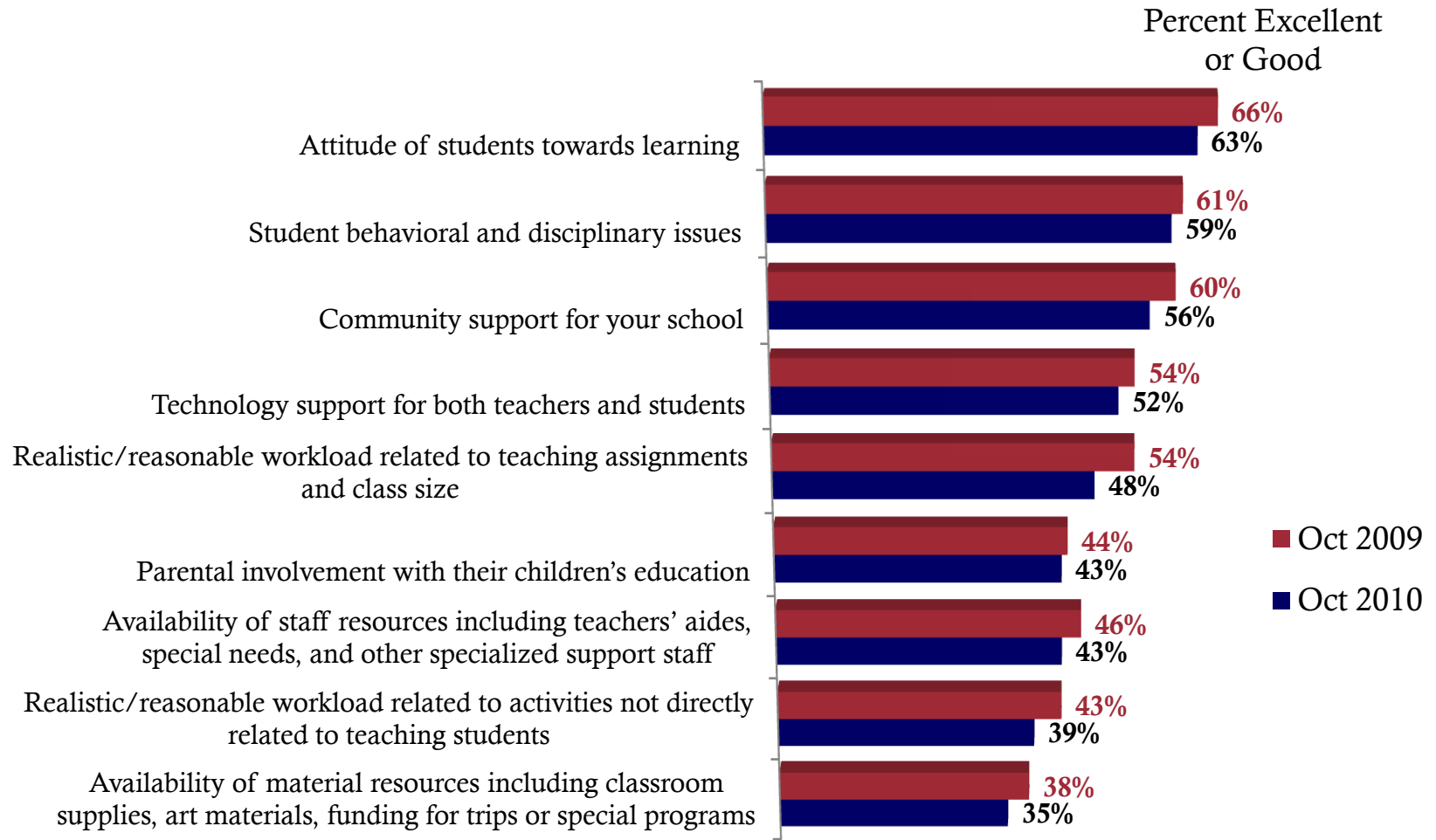


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■ Excellent ■ Good ■ Fair ■ Poor ■ NA/Not Sure

Current Year Progress Report

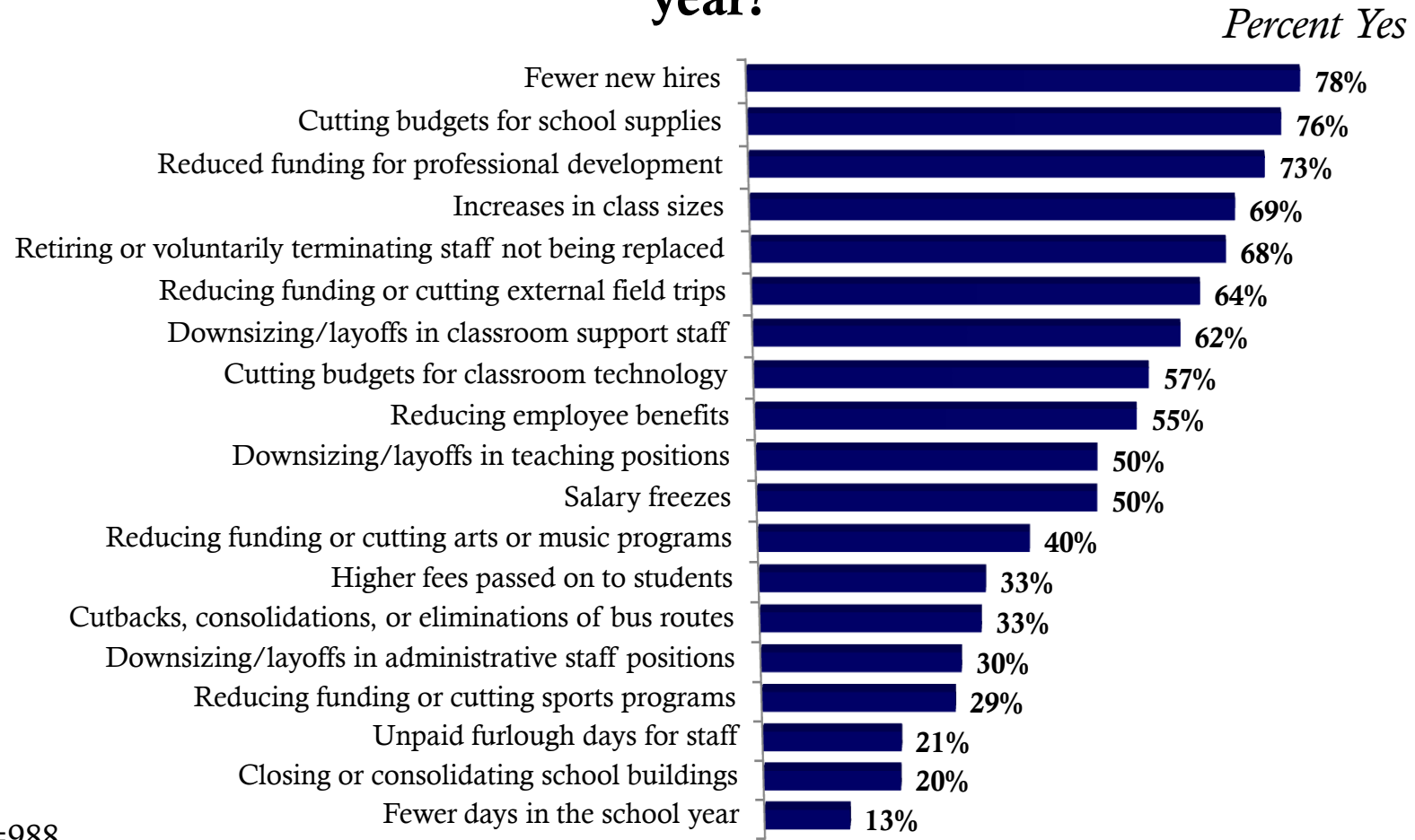
Progress Report Compared to Last Year



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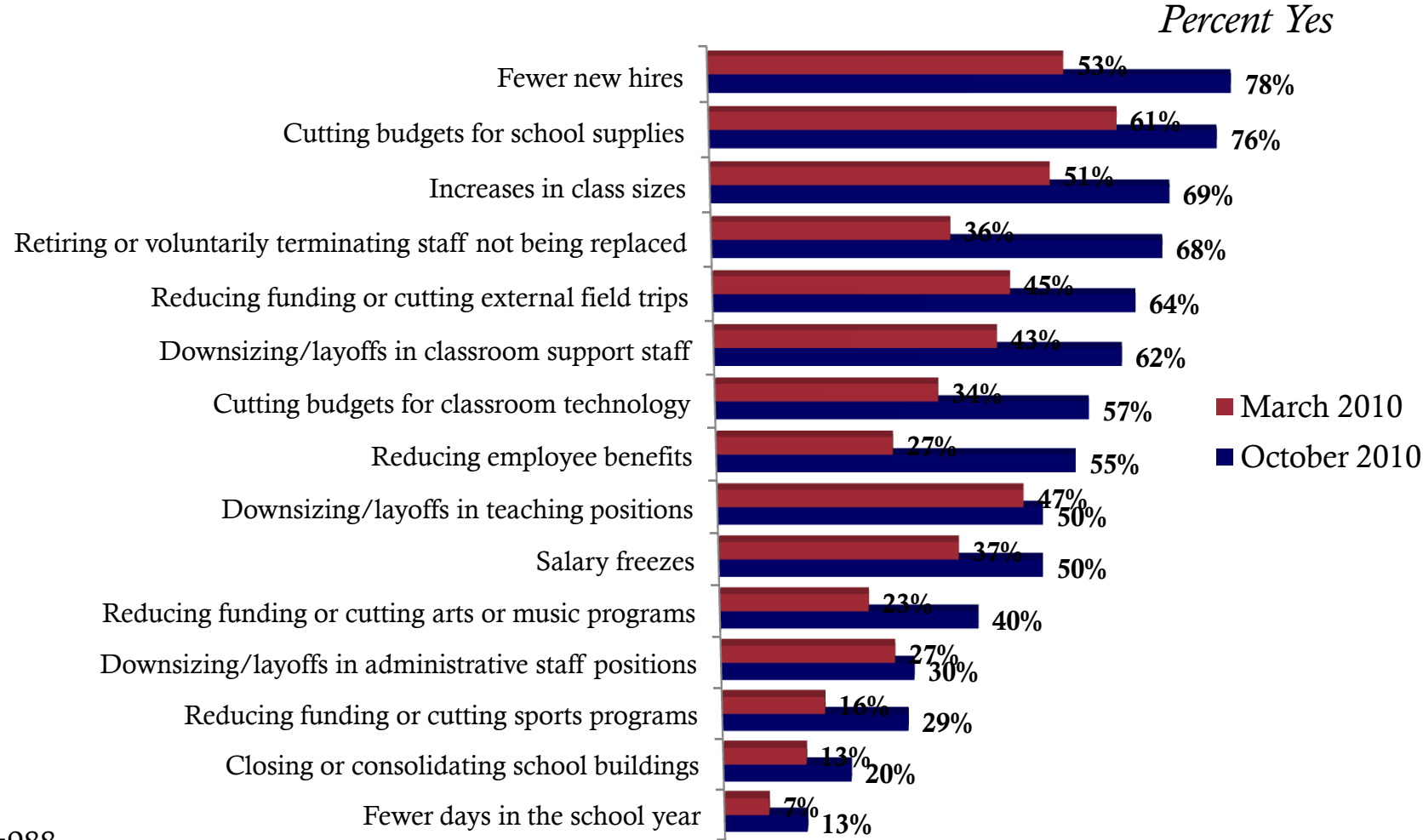
Has your district taken any of these actions or experienced any of the following conditions as a result of budget cuts this school year?



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Budget Cuts

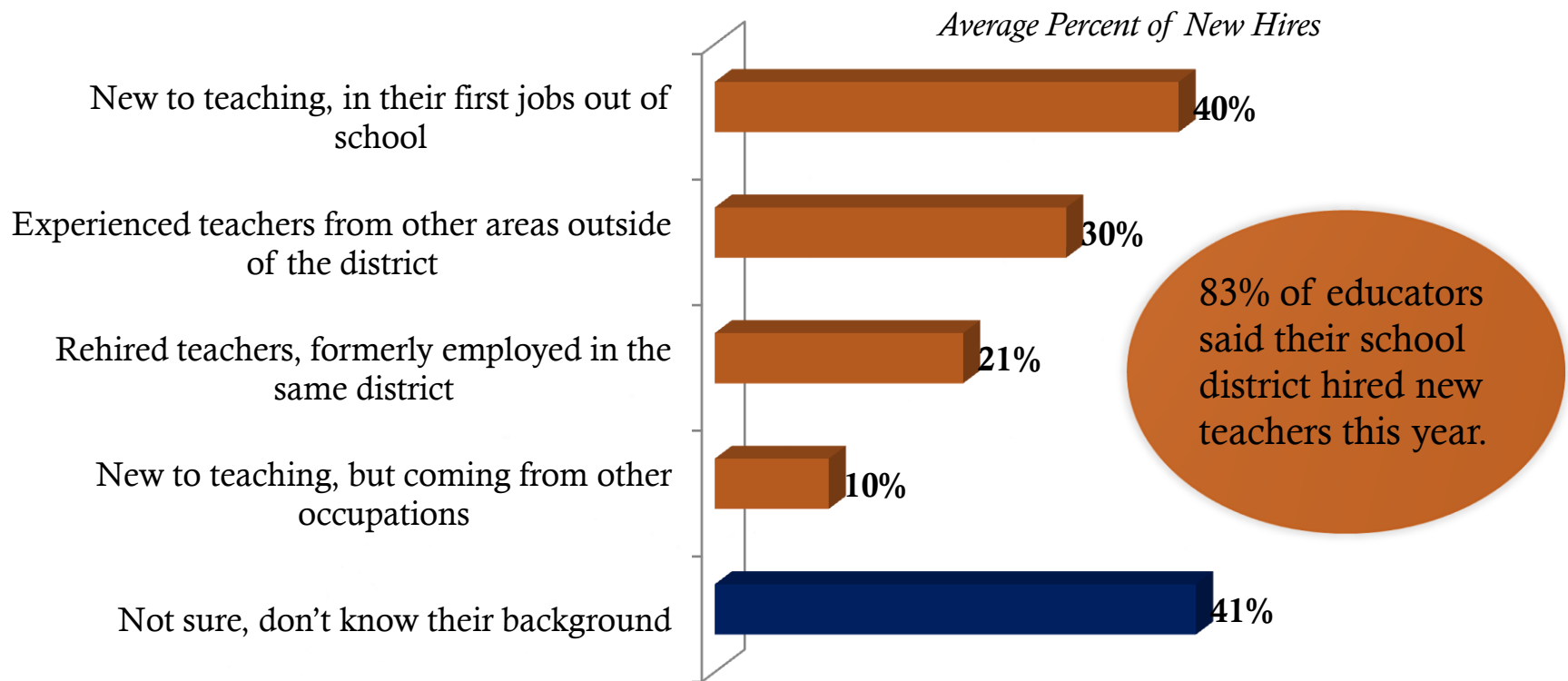
School Districts' Reactions to Budget Cuts Compared to Last Year



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New Educator Backgrounds

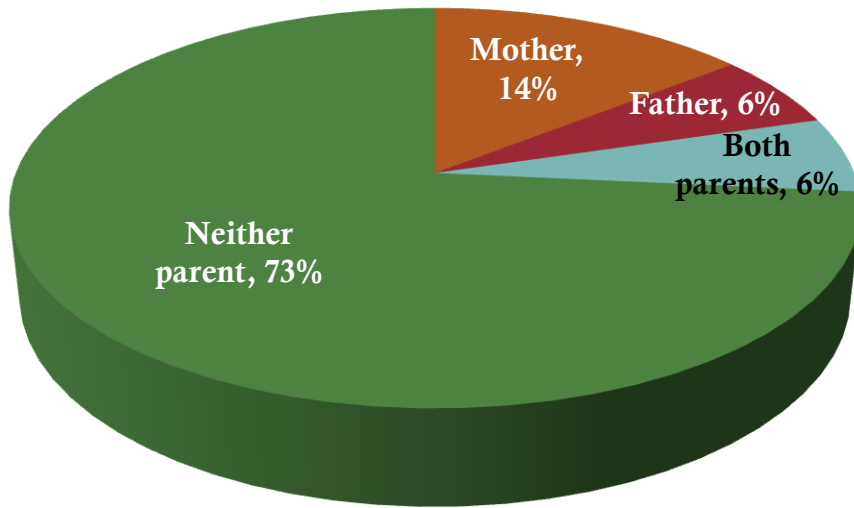
Out of all the newly hired teachers in your school district this school year, please estimate what percent came from each of the following backgrounds?



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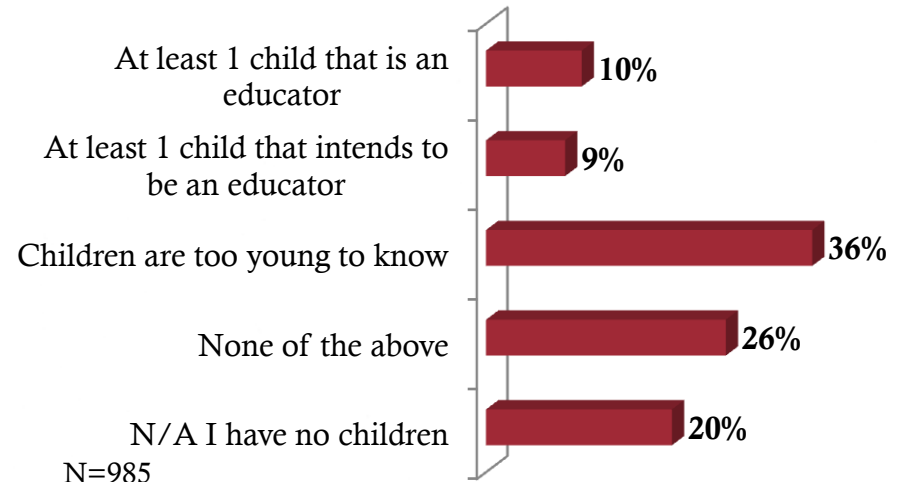
Family Background

26% of educators have parents who were educators.



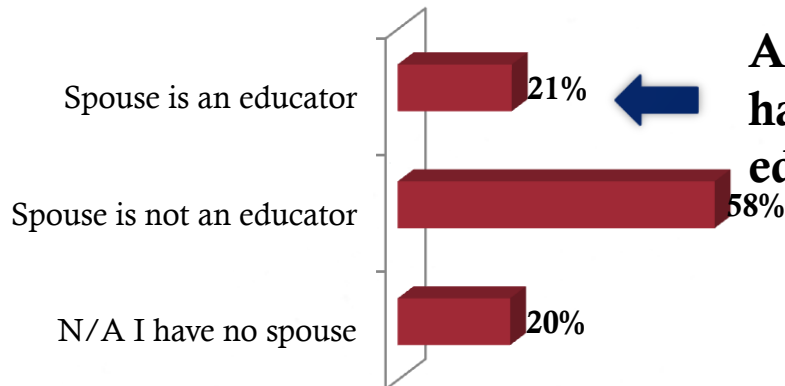
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19% of educators have children who are educators or who intend to become educators.



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And 21% of educators have spouses who are educators.

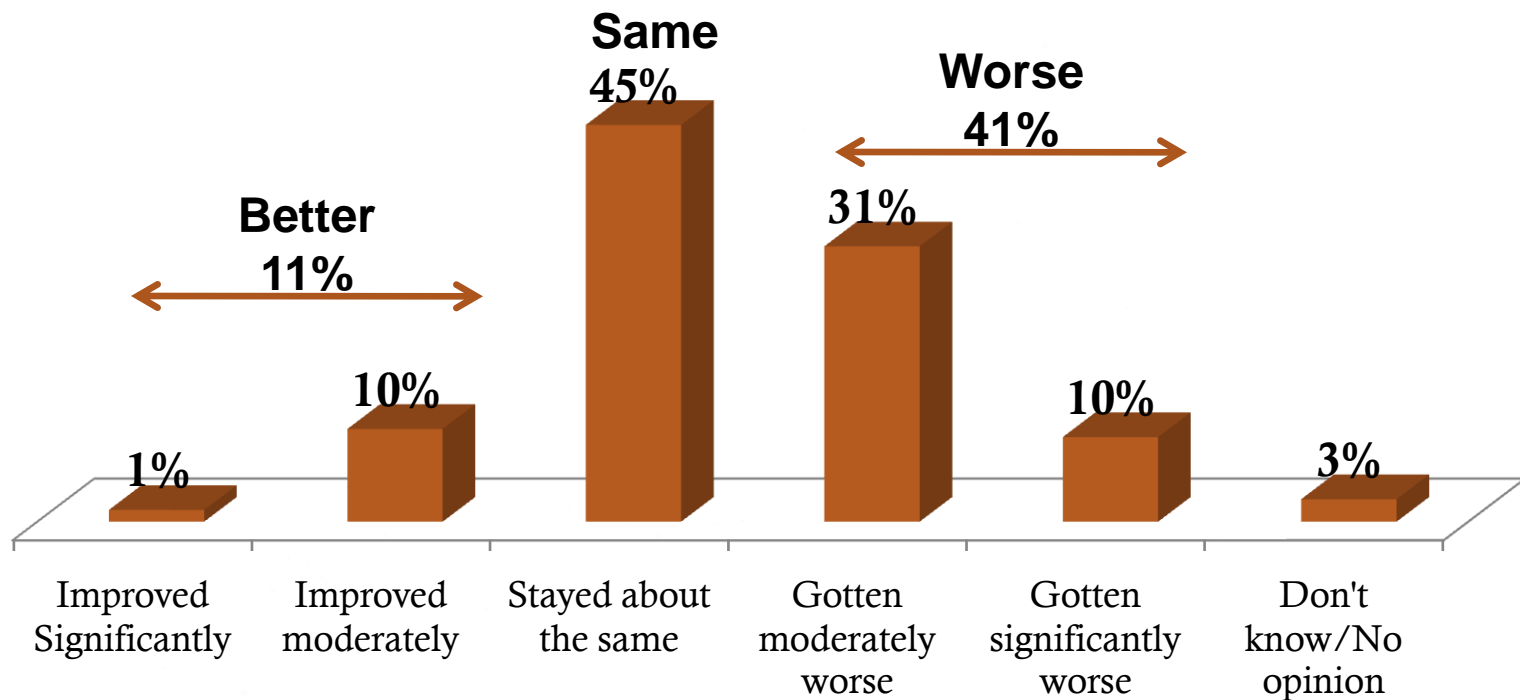


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50% of educators have a family member working in education, retired from education, or planning a career in education.

Childhood Obesity

Thinking about the past five years, do you believe the physical fitness, in terms of weight and strength, of the average student at your school, or the average school age child in your community has ...



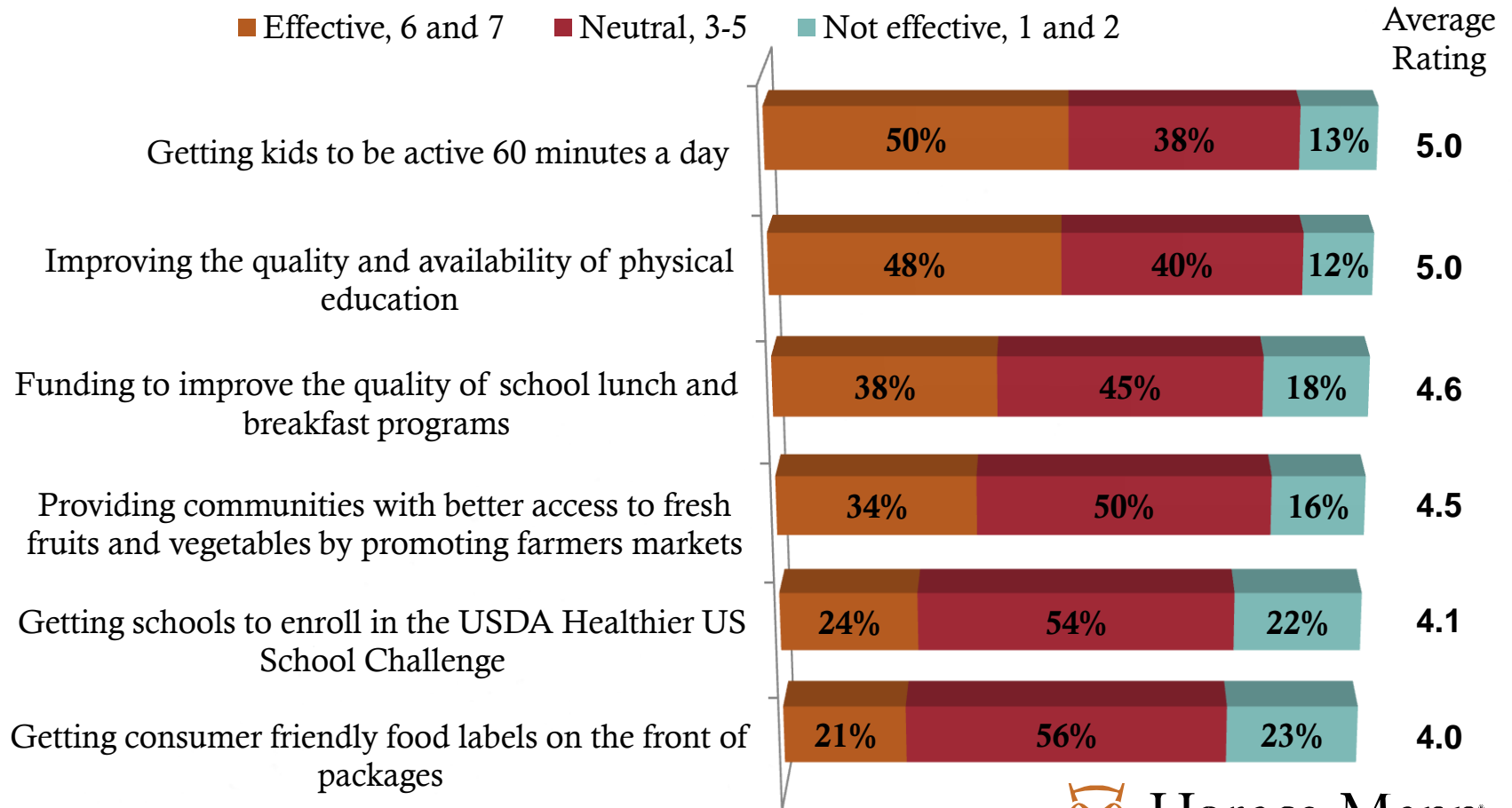
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Childhood Obesity

On a scale of 1 to 7, how effective do you think Michelle Obama's initiatives will be at curbing childhood obesity?

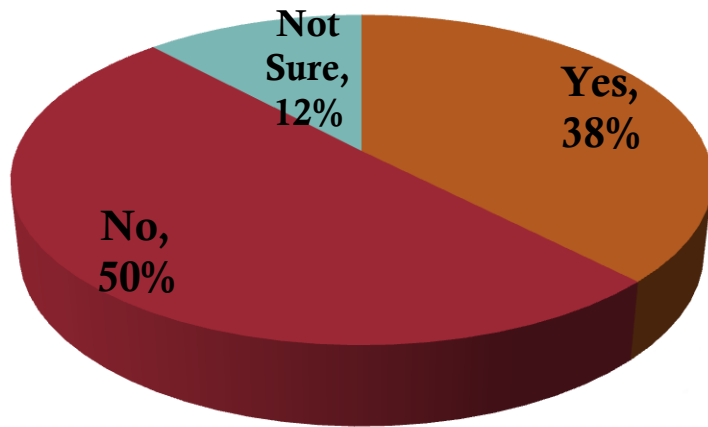


Effectiveness was rated on a scale of 1 to 7 with 1 being not effective and 7 being very effective



Section 125, Flexible Benefits

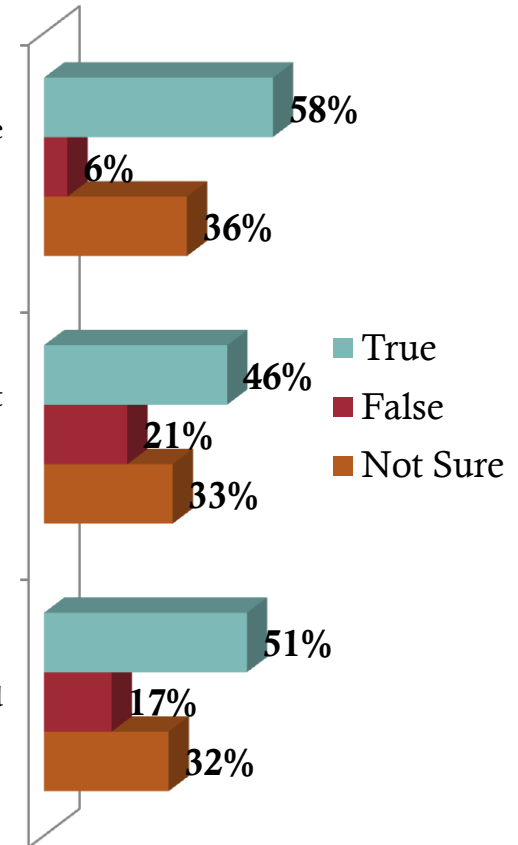
Do you currently participate in a Section 125, flexible benefits plan?



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Please indicate whether you believe the following statements about Section 125, flexible benefits plans are true or false?

I can maximize my take-home pay by participating in pretax employee benefits plans such as Section 125 flexible benefits, flexible spending accounts, or a Health Savings Account.



I have a good understanding of what expenses qualify for reimbursement through a Section 125, flexible benefits plan.

Even if it cost me \$1 per month, I would rather use a debit card instead of having to submit a claims form and receipt to get reimbursed.

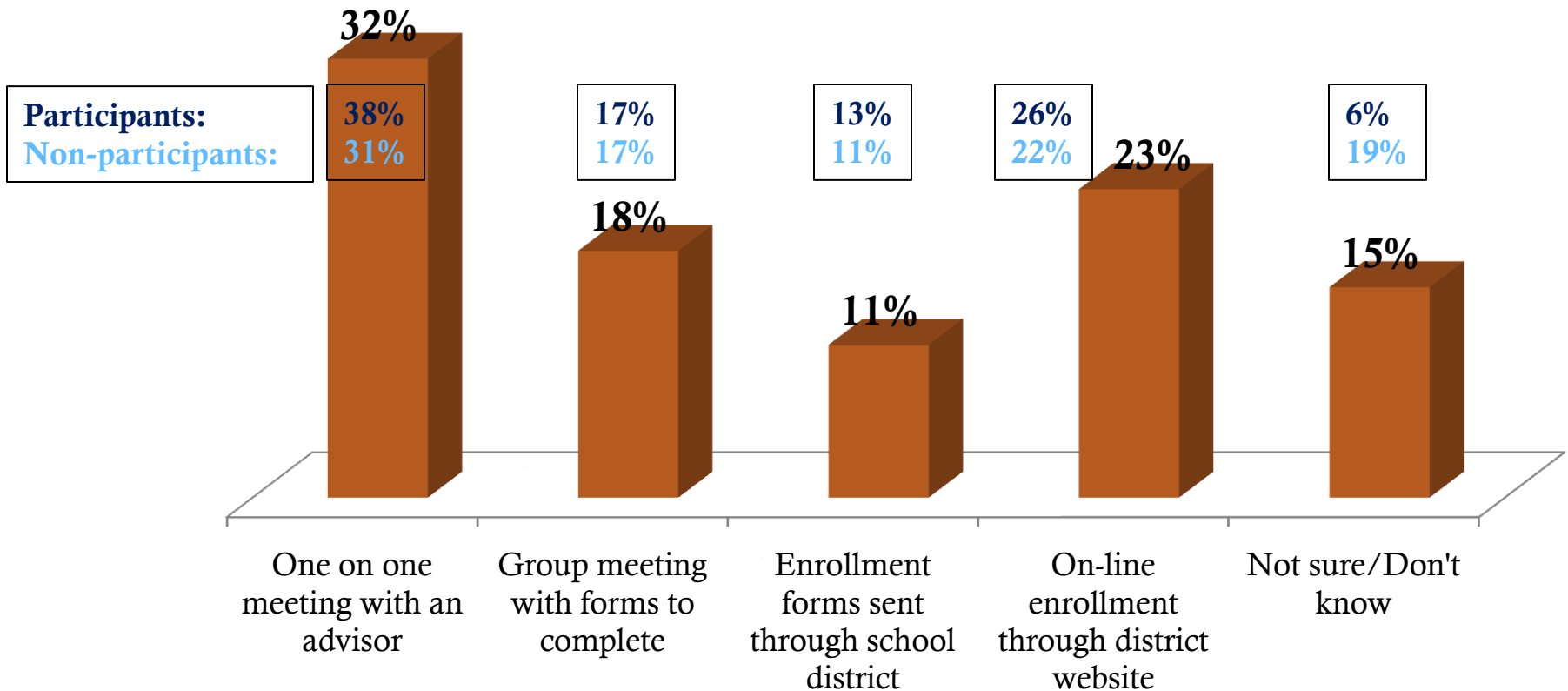
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Section 125, Flexible Benefits

Given a choice, which of the following methods would you prefer to use to enroll in a Section 125, flexible benefits plan?



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