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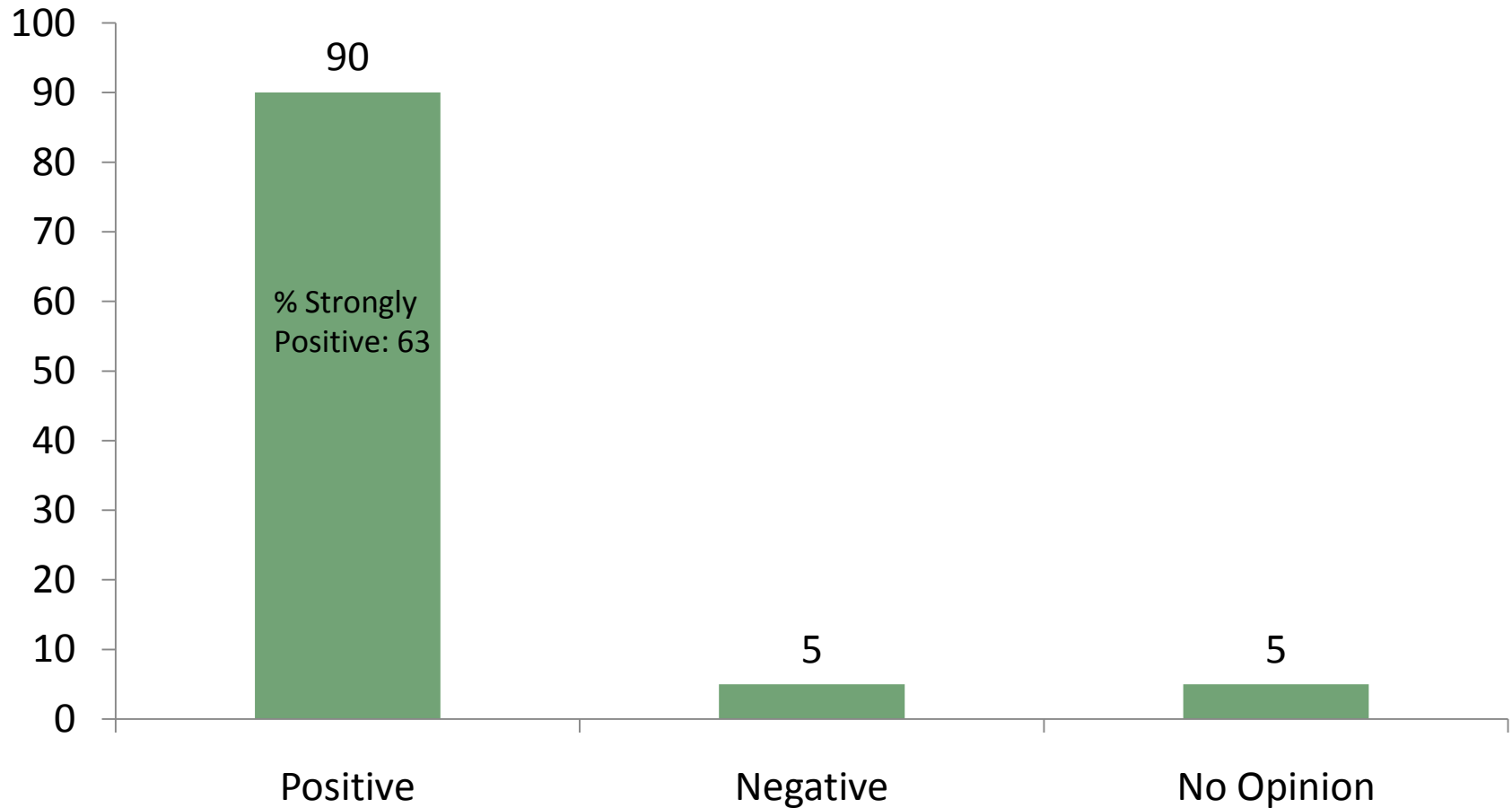
National Public Opinion Research Survey

September 12-16, 2009

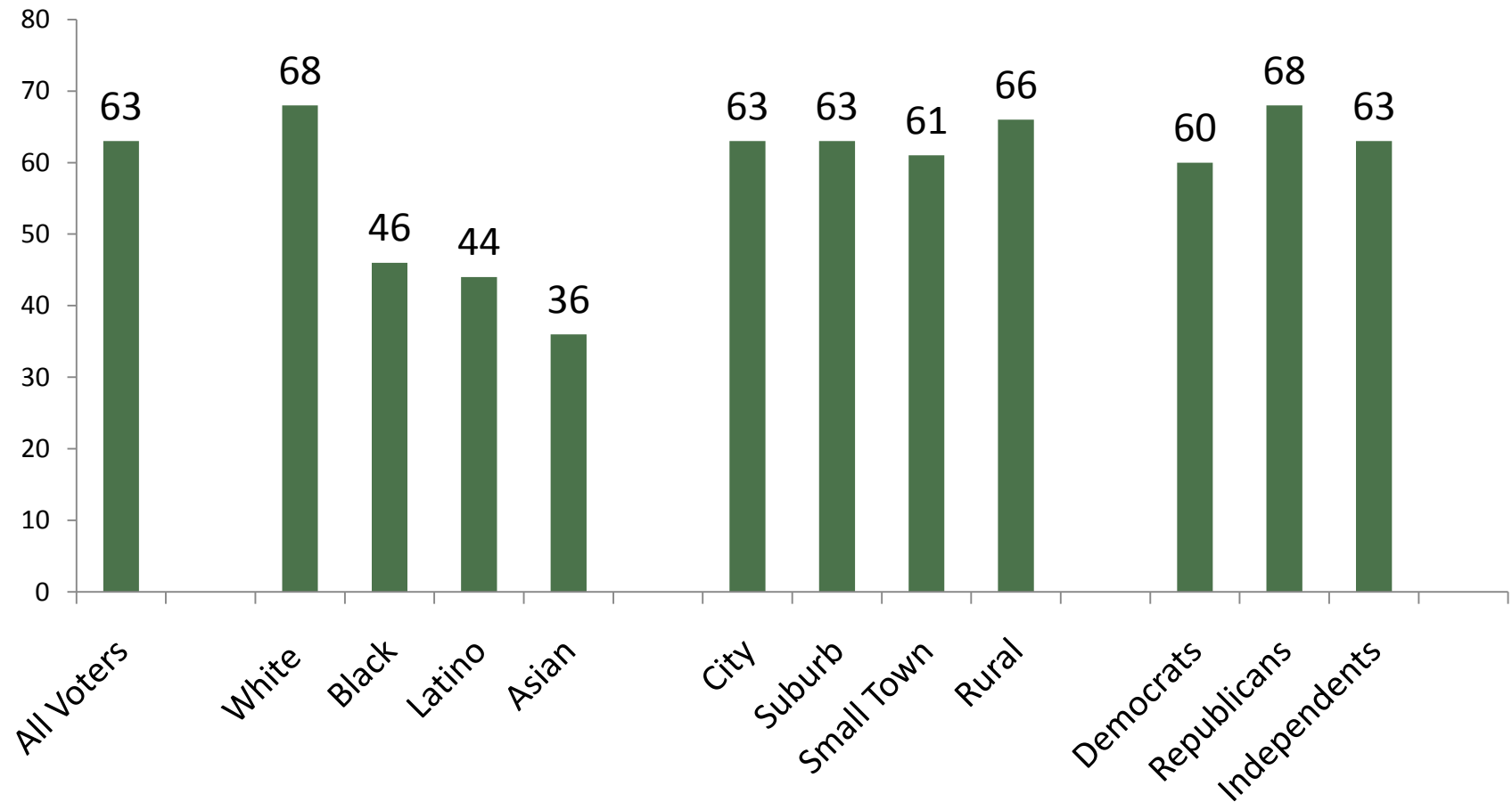
Methodology

- 1000 randomly chosen voters nationwide
- Conducted September 12-16, 2009
- Margin of Error: 3.1%
- Sample representative of national electorate

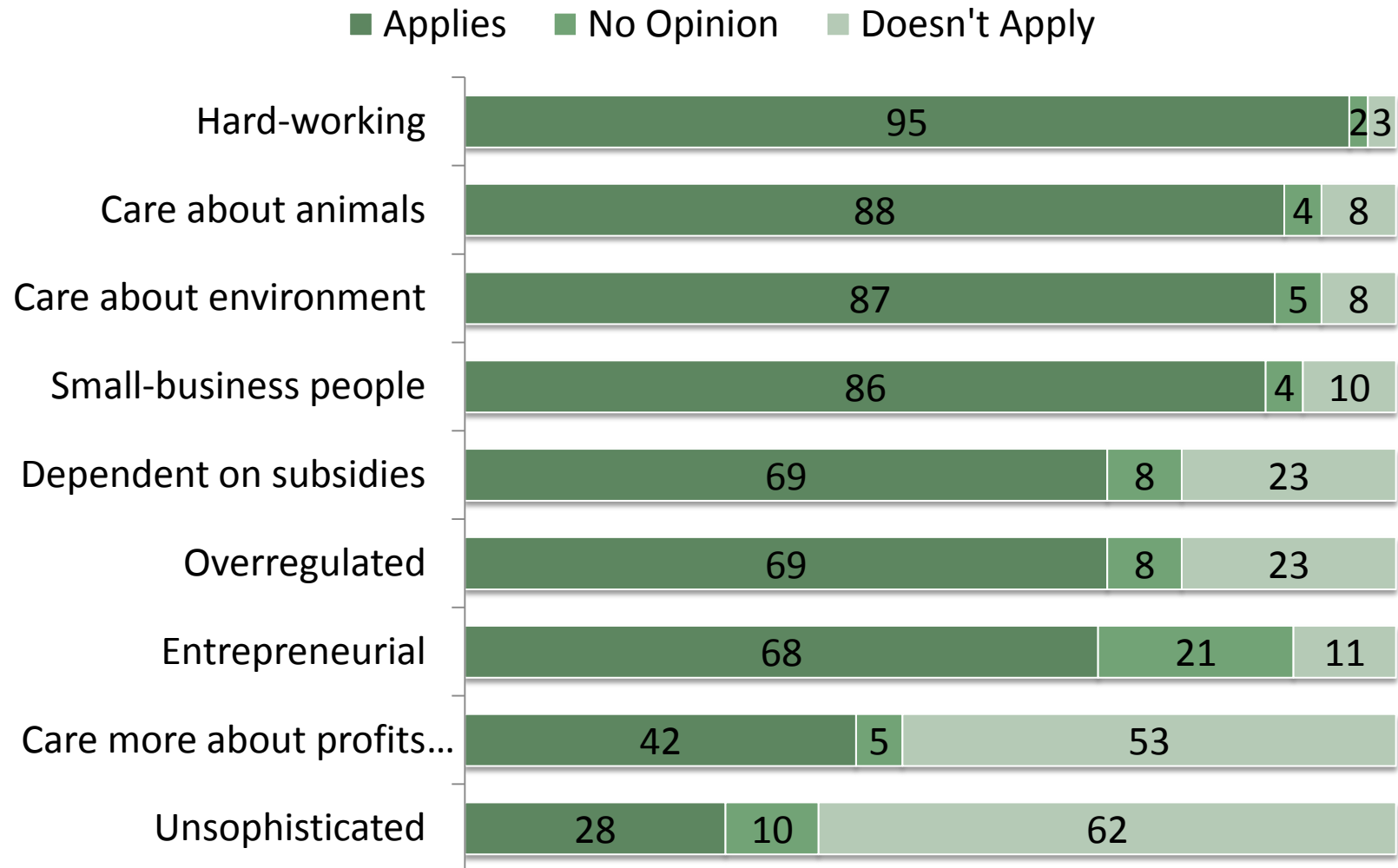
Nearly two of every three voters has a strongly positive image of farmers



Strongly positive image of farmers varies somewhat by ethnicity, but not by size of community or political party



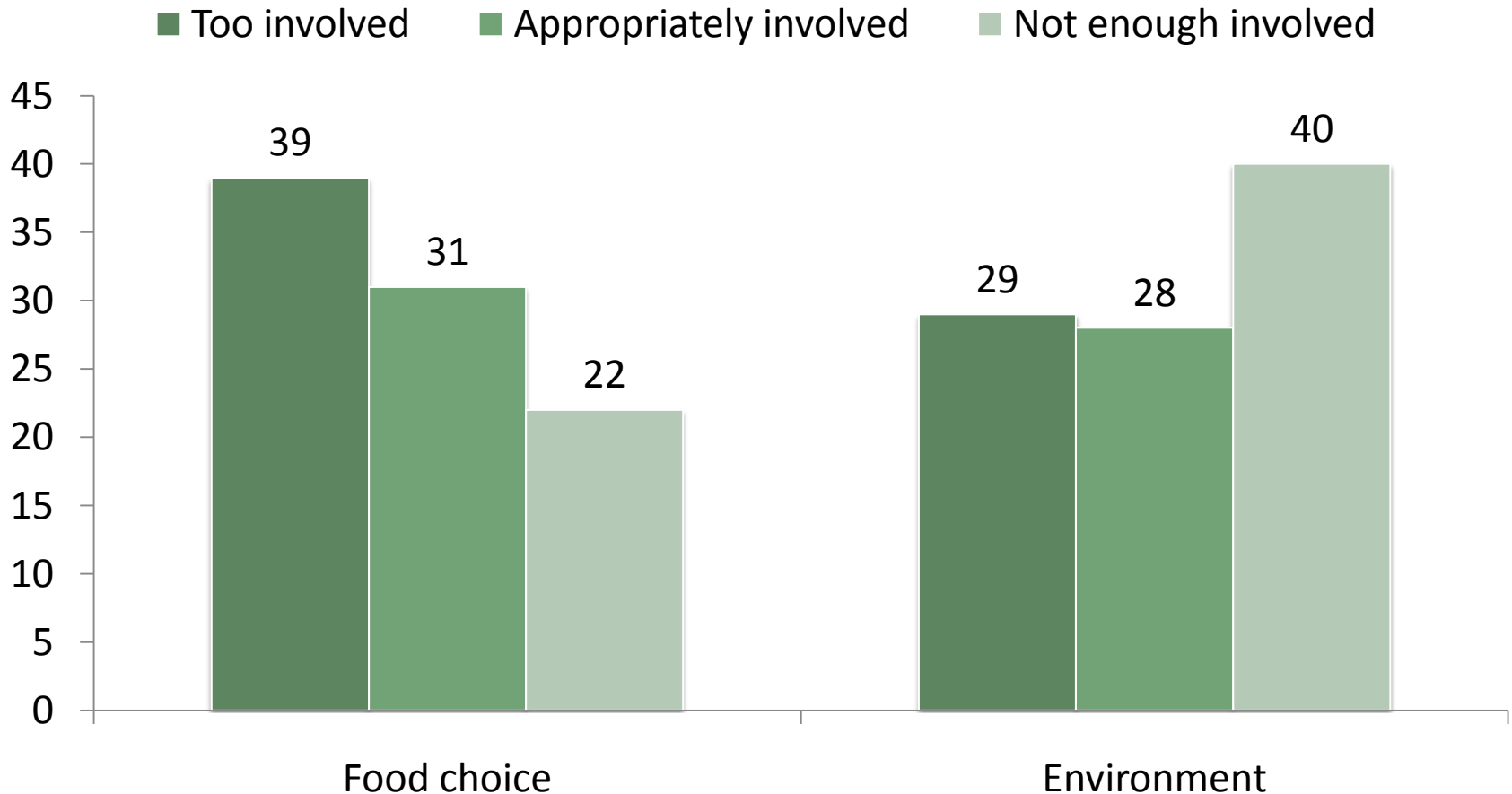
American voters look at family farmers as hard-working and caring small business persons



There is a correlation between support for flexible fuel vehicles and hybrids with support for ethanol

	Support Ethanol	Oppose Ethanol
Support Flexible Fuel Vehicles	61%	28%
Oppose Flexible Fuel Vehicles	23%	69%
Support Hybrids	59%	29%
Oppose Hybrids	38%	50%

While there is division, voters tend to worry about too much government involvement in restriction of food choices, but desire greater government involvement in environmental protection



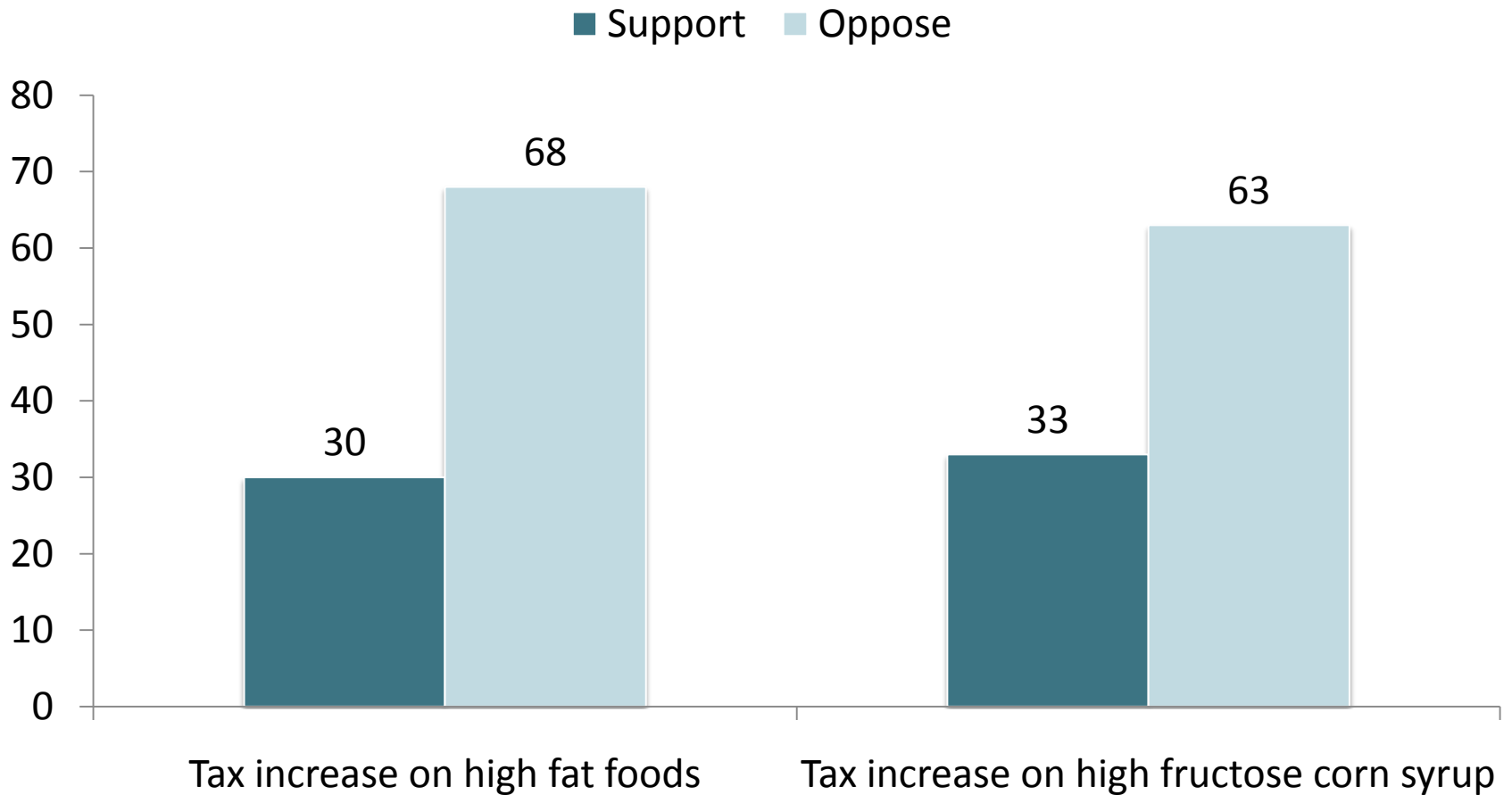
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Q41/42. Do you think the government is too involved, appropriately involved, or not involved enough in placing restrictions on food choices/protecting the environment?

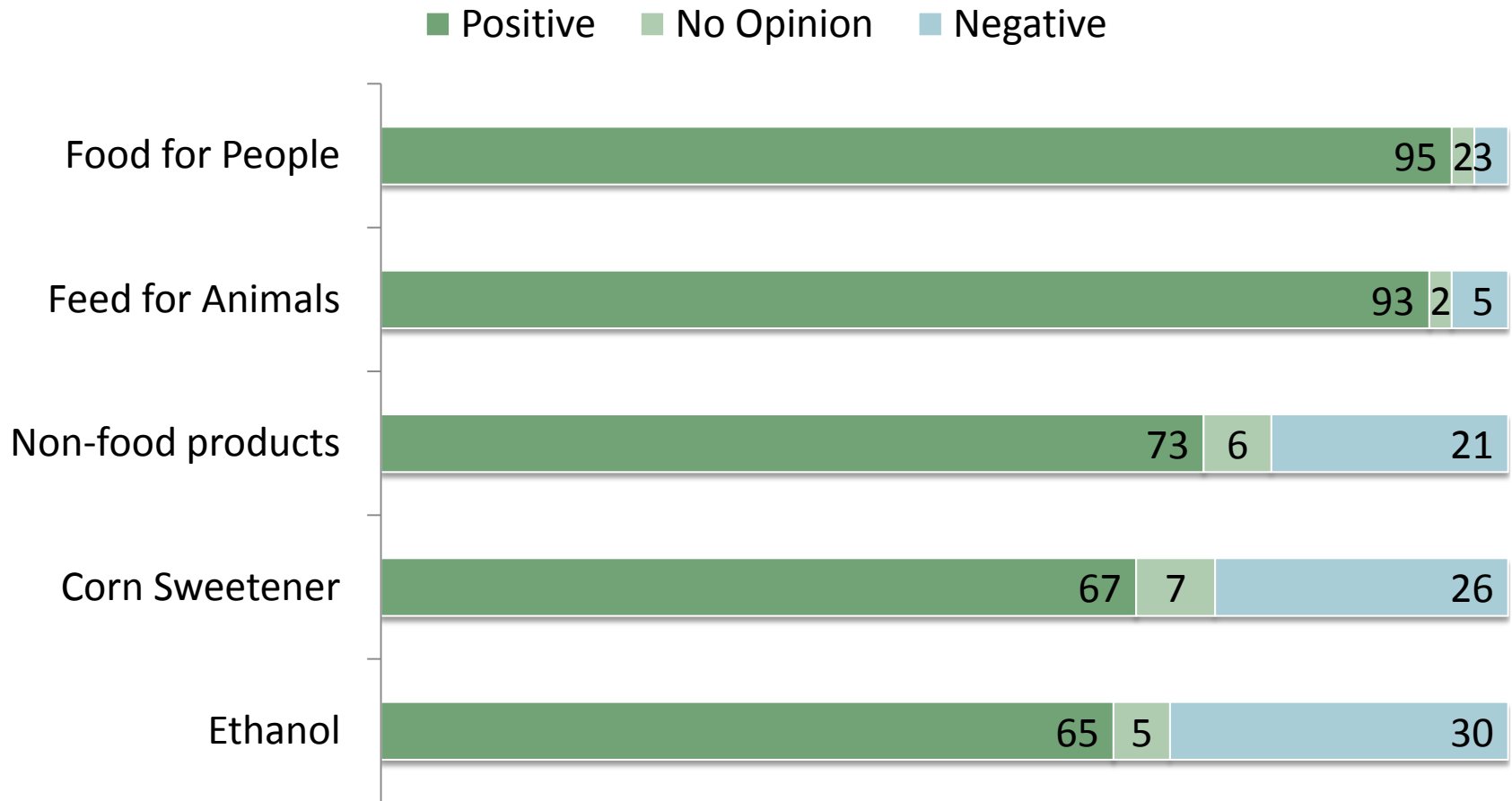


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Voters strongly oppose tax increases on high fat foods and high fructose corn syrup

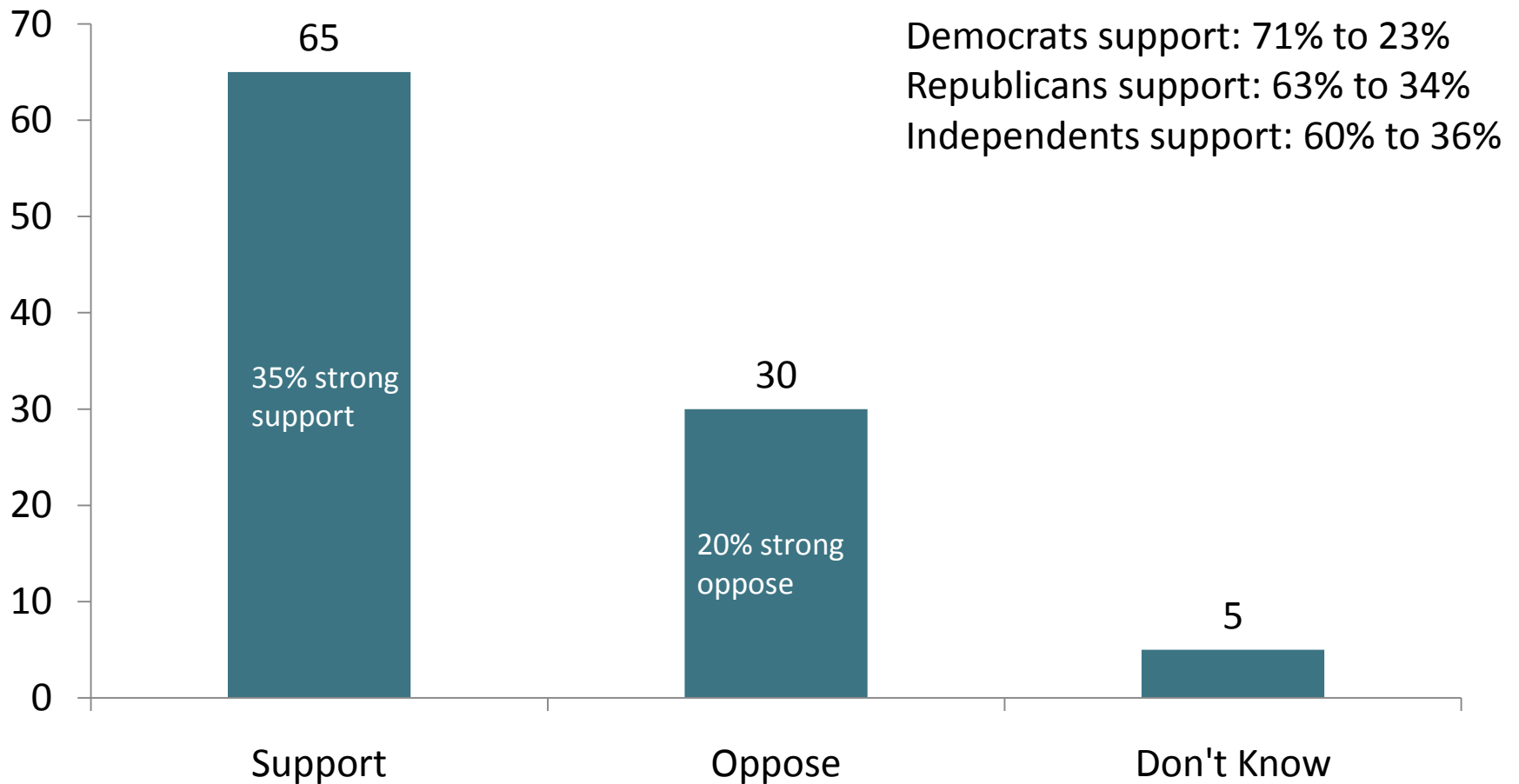


Support for corn as food and feed is near-universal; majorities support other uses, including as sweetener

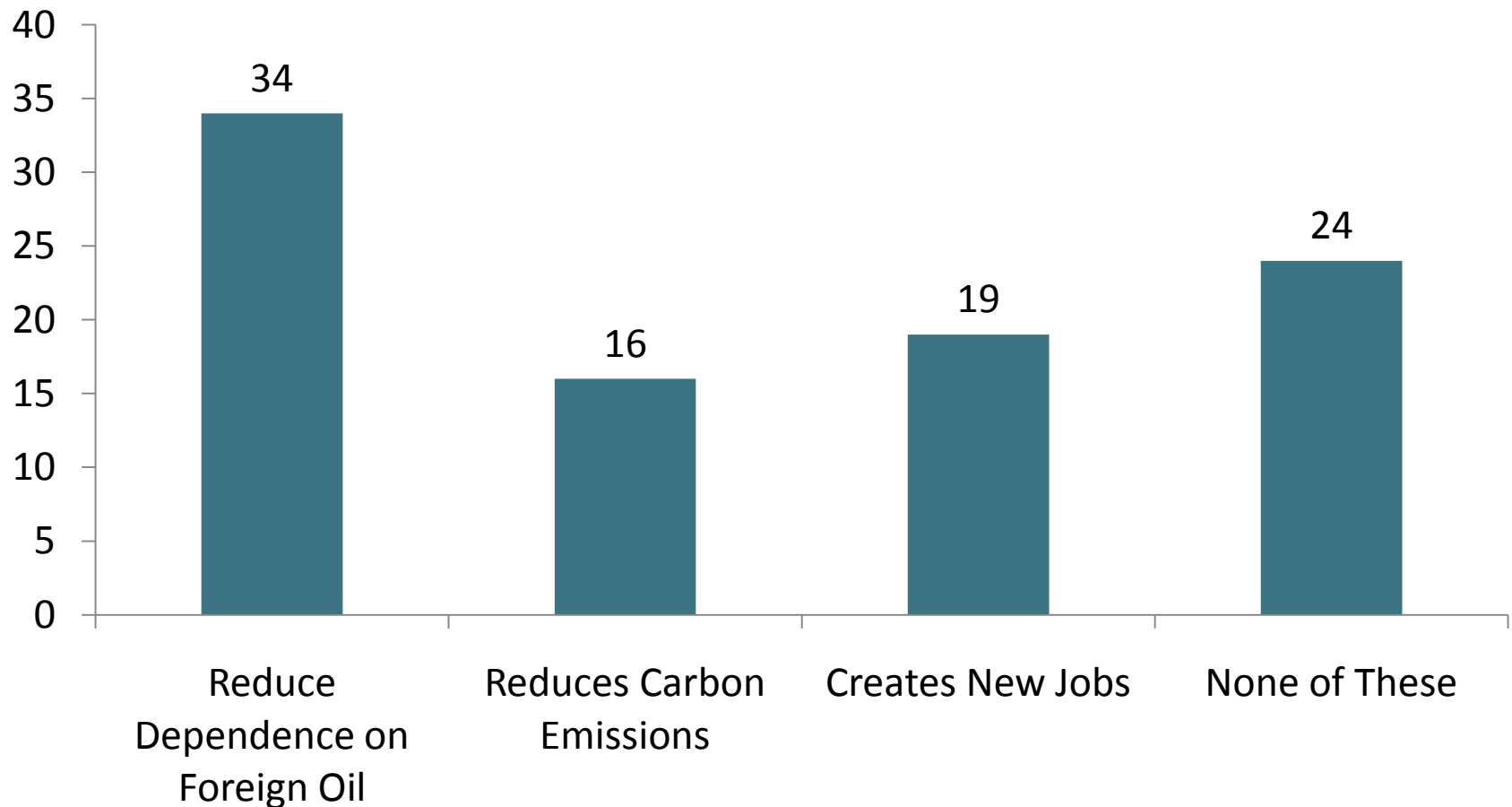


9 Q54-60. ... I am going to read you the names of some ways that corn can be used. For each I read, please tell me if you have positive or negative feelings about using the corn in this way.

Two-thirds support use of corn-based ethanol for fuel; support consistent across party lines



Most important benefit of ethanol: will reduce dependency on foreign oil



Q69. Supporters of corn-based ethanol say that there are three major benefits to using ethanol as a fuel option ... it reduces our dependence on foreign oil, it is good for the environment by reducing carbon emissions, and it creates new jobs. Which of these benefits do you think is most important, or do you think none of them are benefits of using ethanol as a fuel?

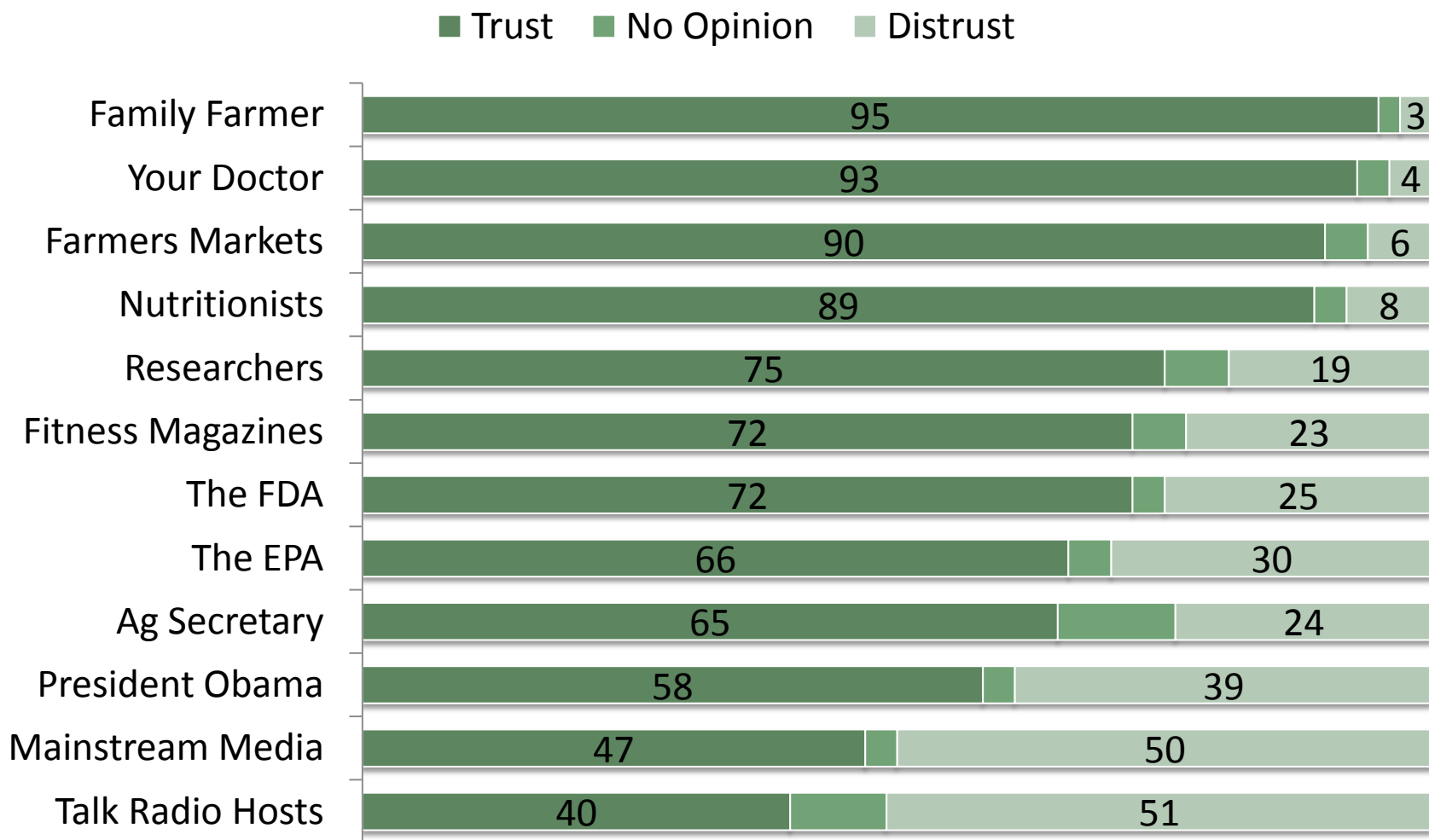


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Most trusted messengers on issues like ag, farm subsidies, corn products and ethanol are farmers, doctors, and nutritionists



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Q70-84. Let me read you the names of some groups or individuals who may speak out on issues like agriculture, farm subsidies, corn products and ethanol. For each I read, please tell me generally, do you strongly trust, somewhat trust, somewhat distrust or strongly distrust their opinion on these types of issues.



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