

South Carolina Sportsmen's Attitudes Toward Global Warming

**Conducted for the
South Carolina Wildlife Federation**

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Methodology

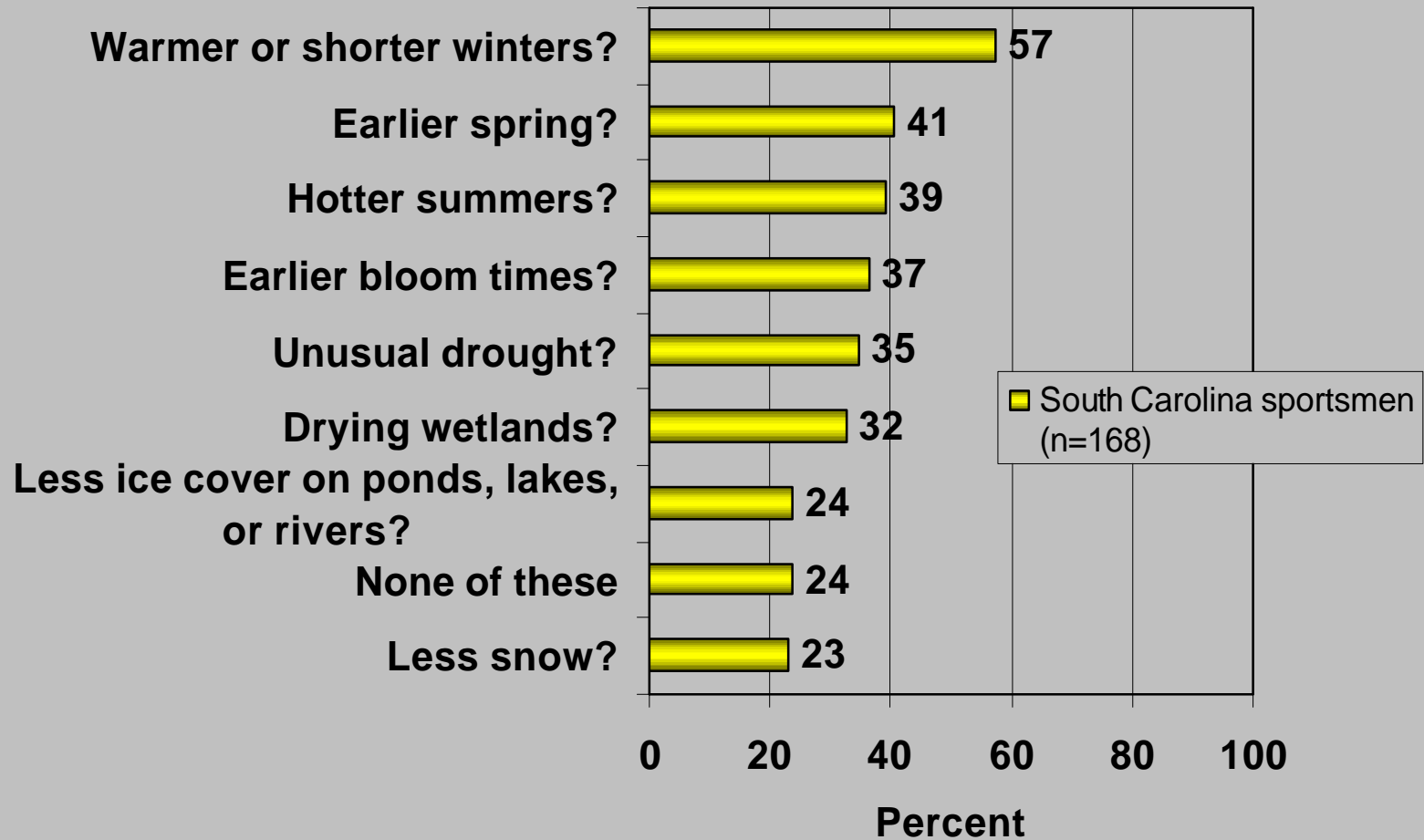
- Telephone survey of South Carolina resident sportsmen (hunters and anglers)
- Conducted March – April 2006
- $n = 305$
- Results reported at 95% confidence interval
- Sampling error is at most +/- 5.6 percentage points

Profile of South Carolina Sportsmen

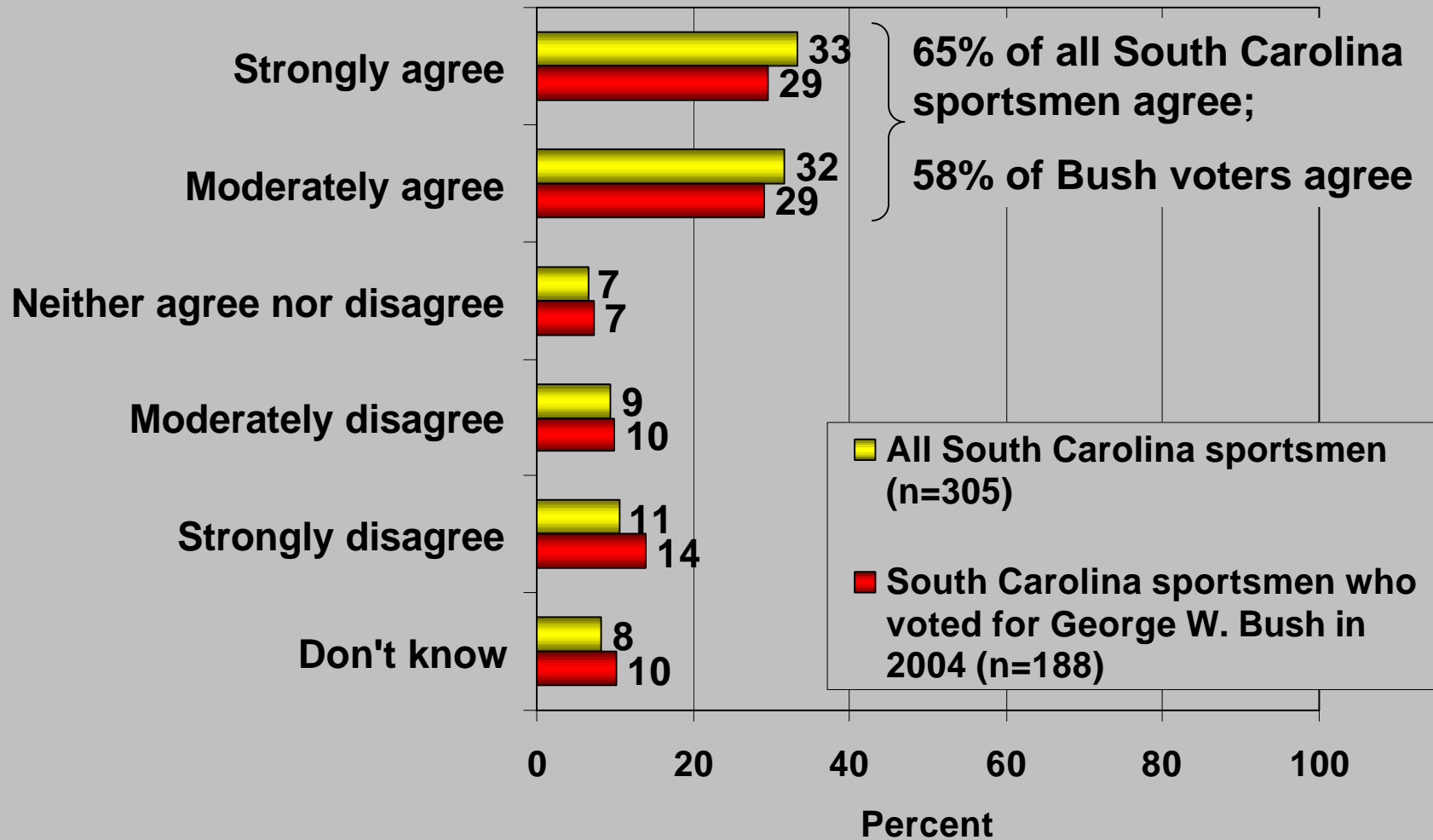
- 83% Male
- 48% Conservative
- 35% Moderate
- 5% Liberal
- 44% Republican
- 14% Democrat
- 69% (of those who voted) voted for George W. Bush in the 2004 Presidential election

Have you observed any of the following conditions where you live?

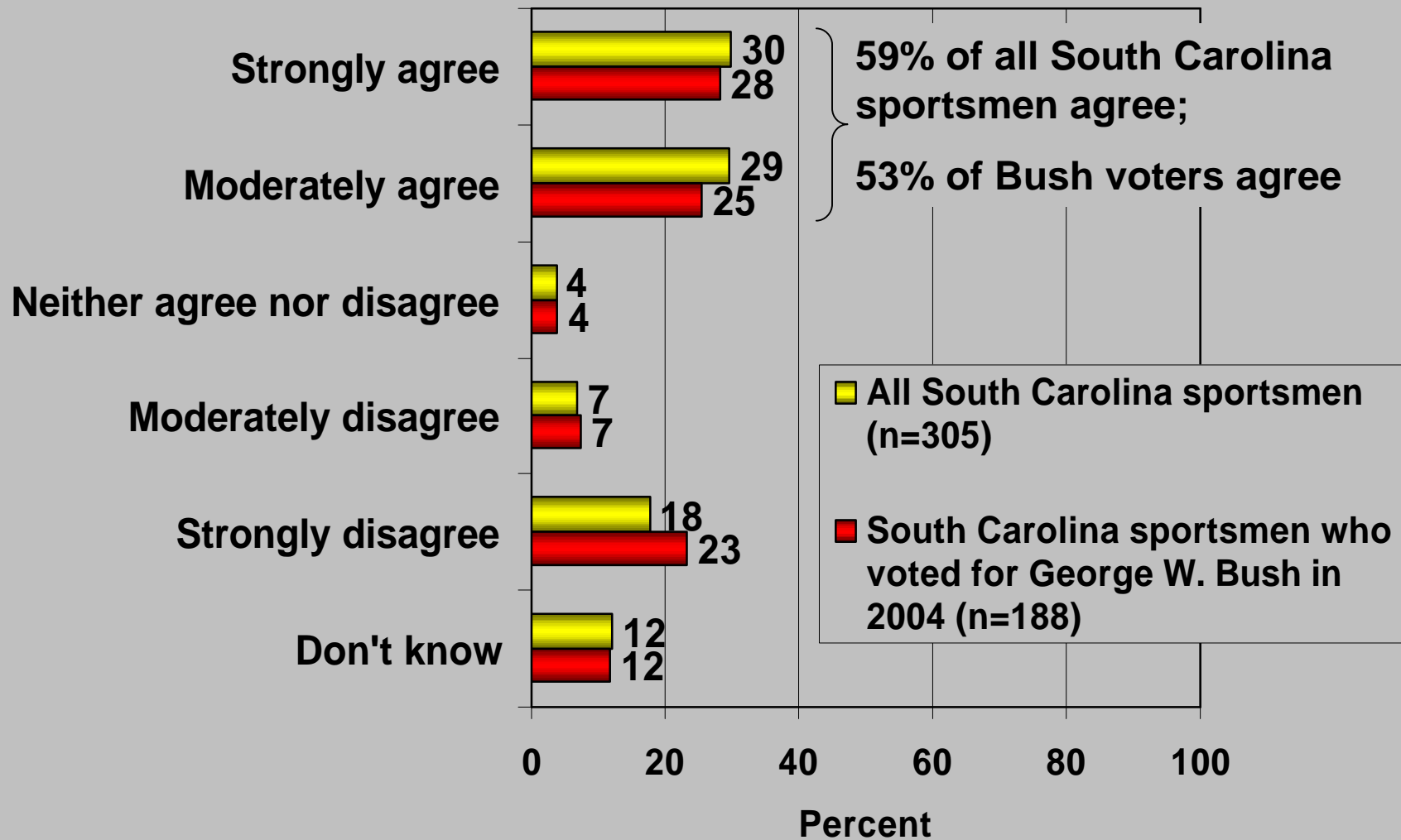
Multiple Responses Allowed



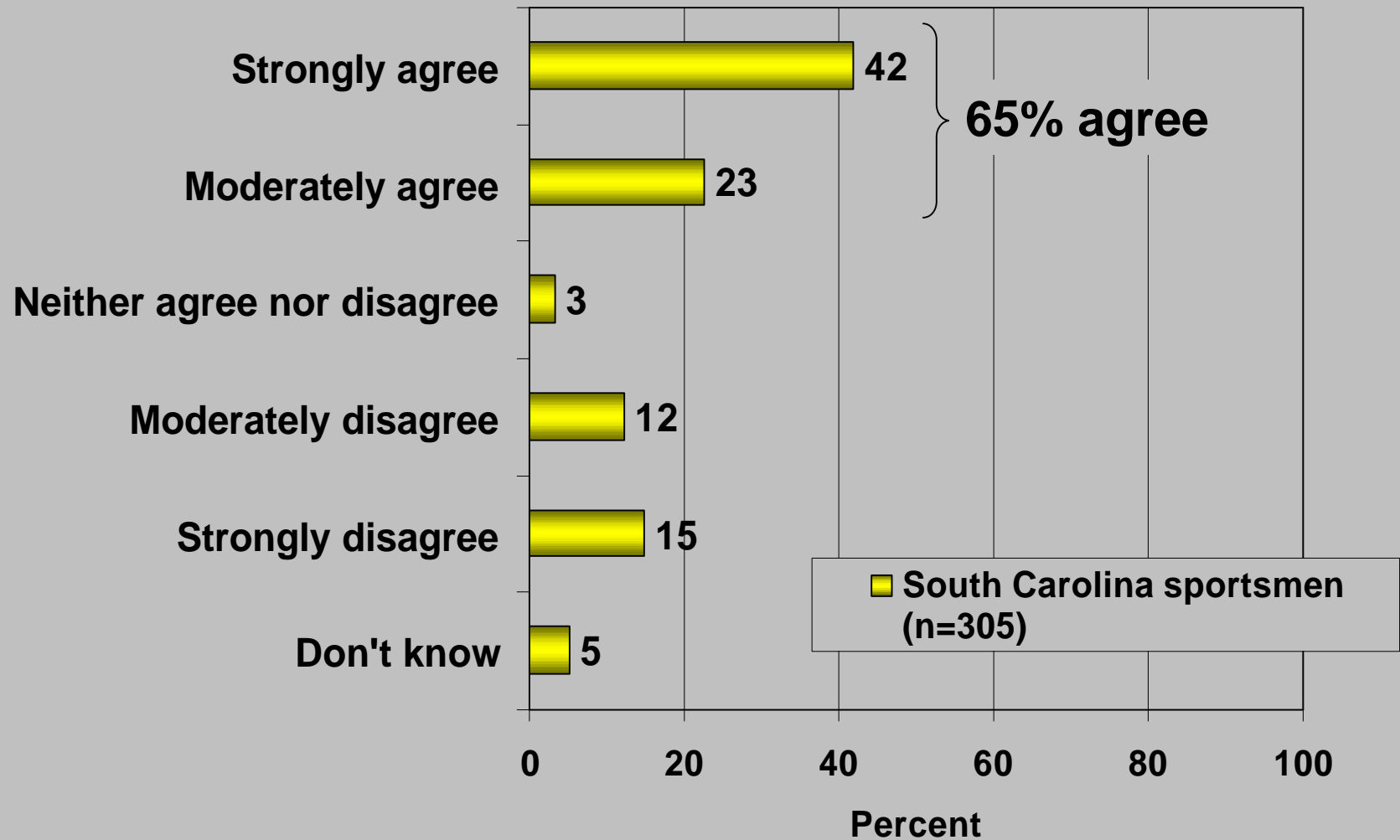
Global warming is defined as the rise in temperature of the Earth's atmosphere. Do you agree or disagree that global warming is currently occurring?



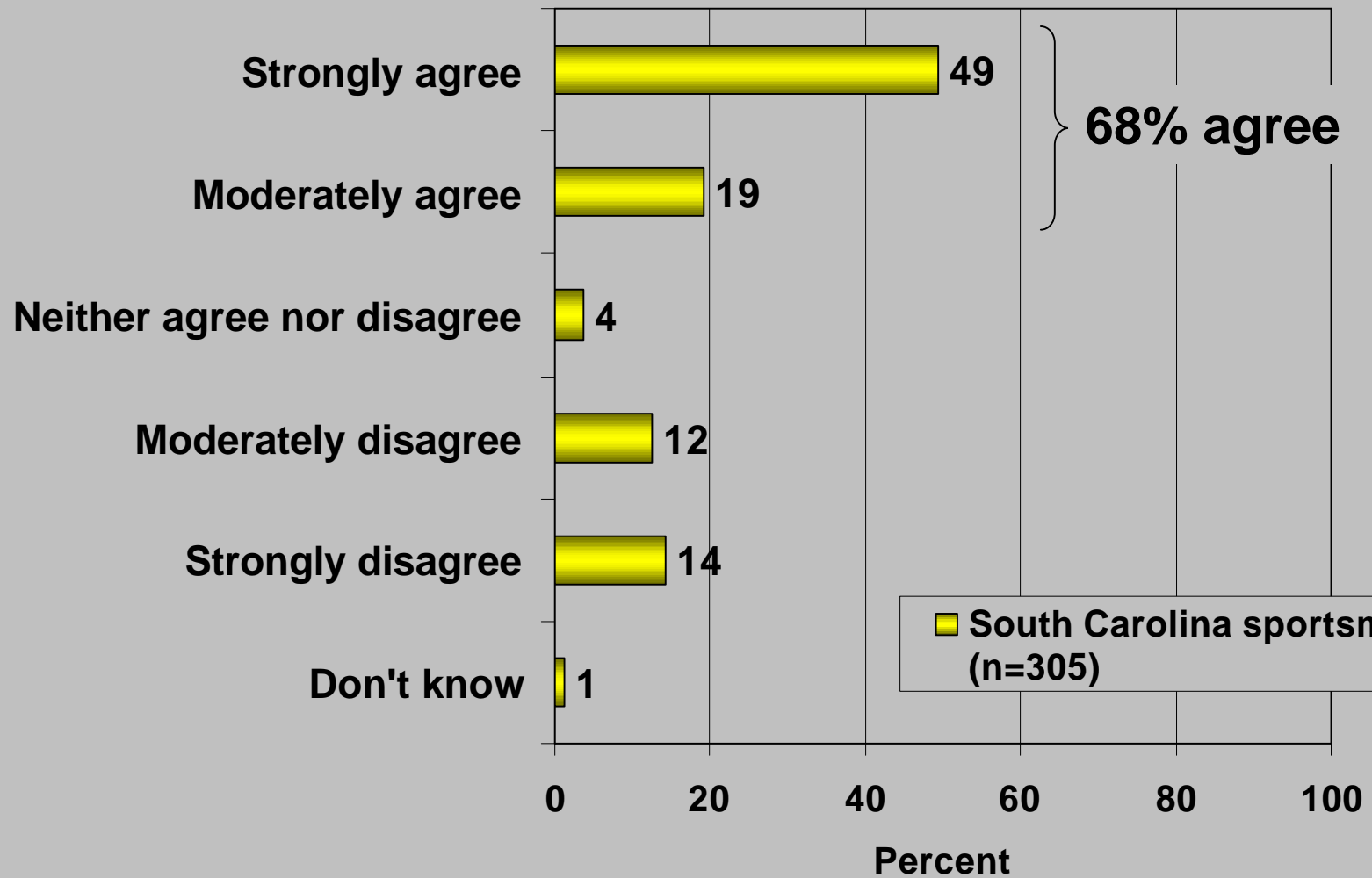
Do you agree or disagree that global warming is primarily caused by pollution from burning fossil fuels?



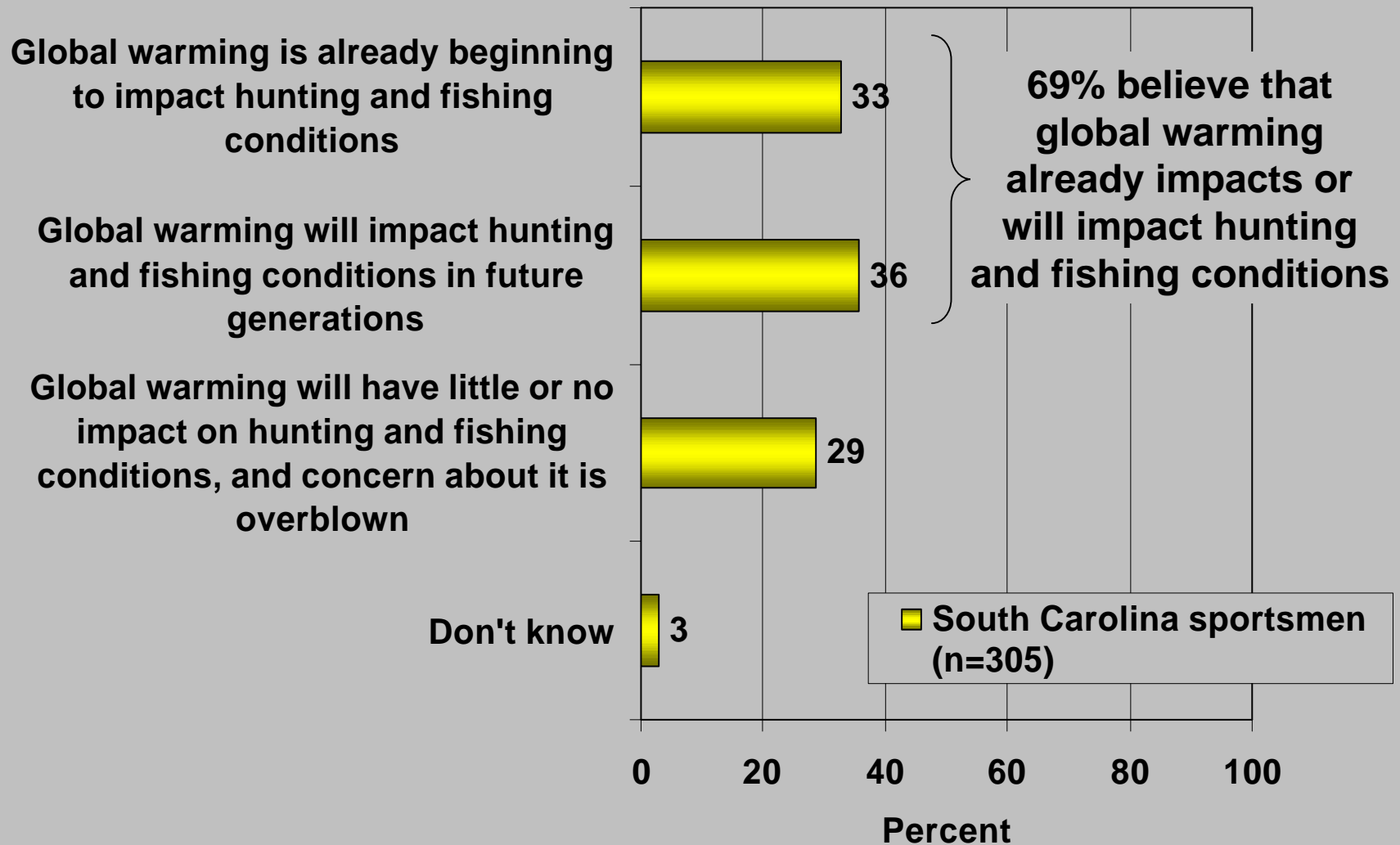
Global warming is a serious threat to fish and wildlife. (Do you agree or disagree with this statement?)



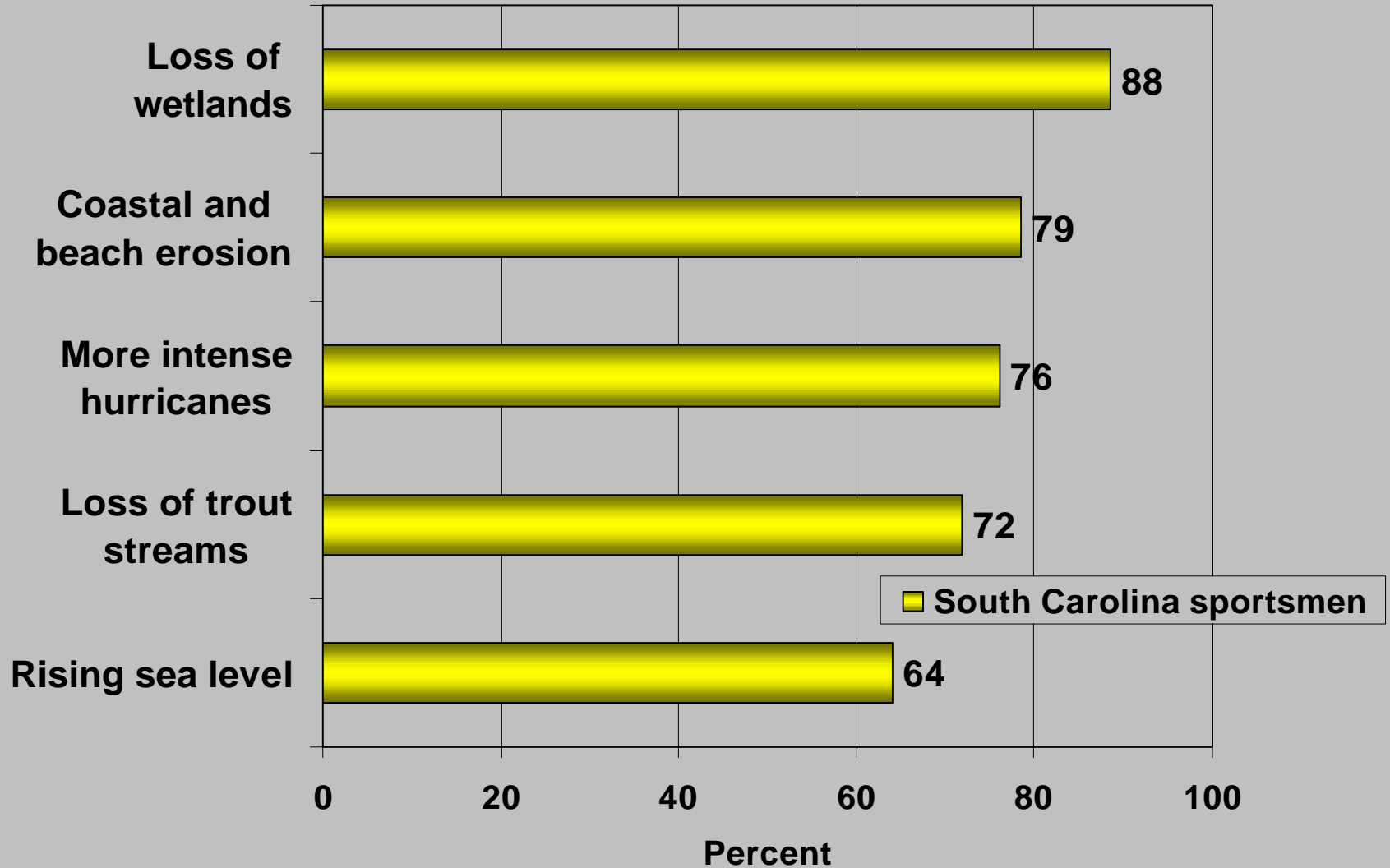
Global warming is a serious threat to humans. (Do you agree or disagree with this statement?)



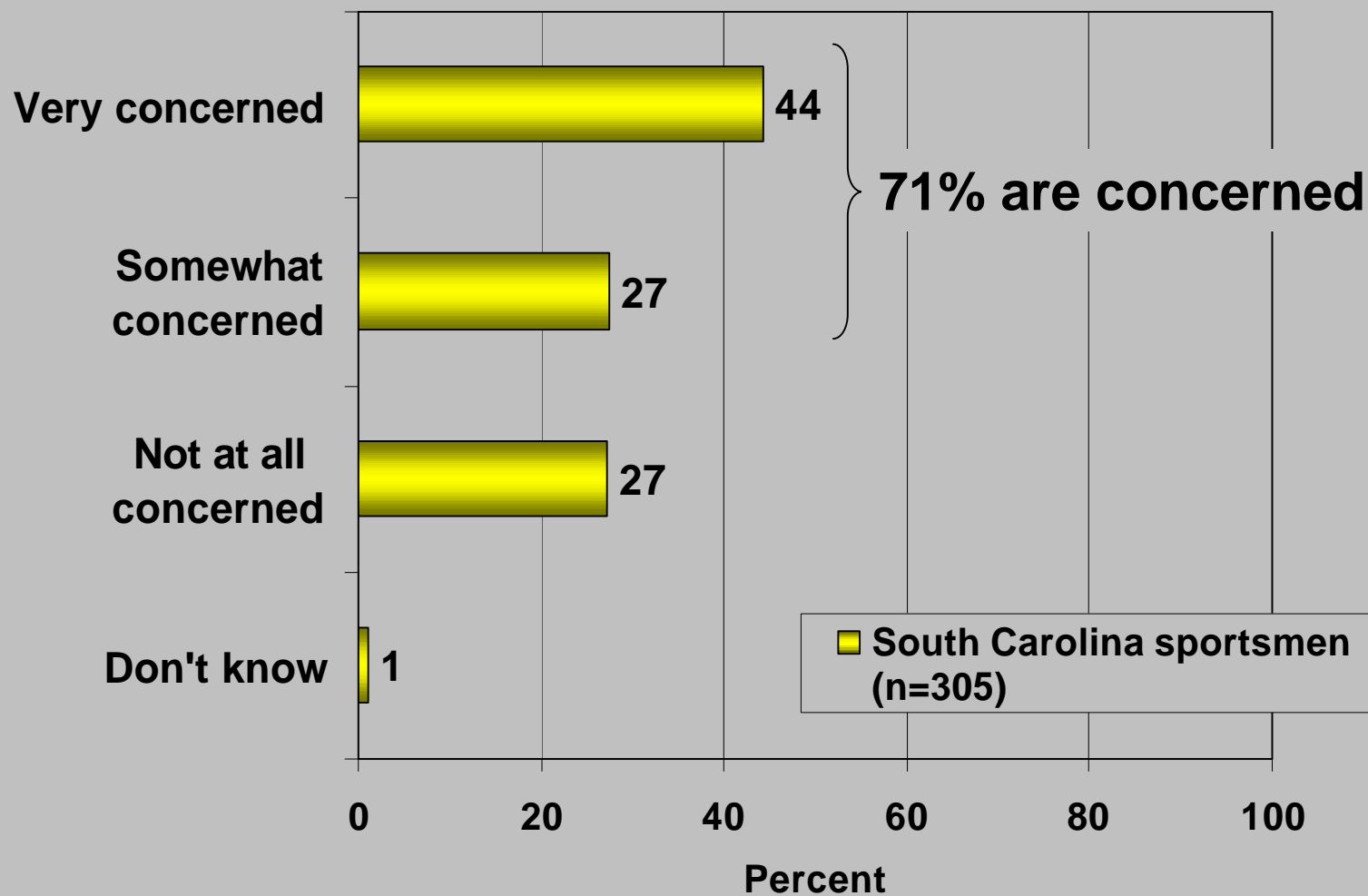
Which of the following statements comes closest to your view?



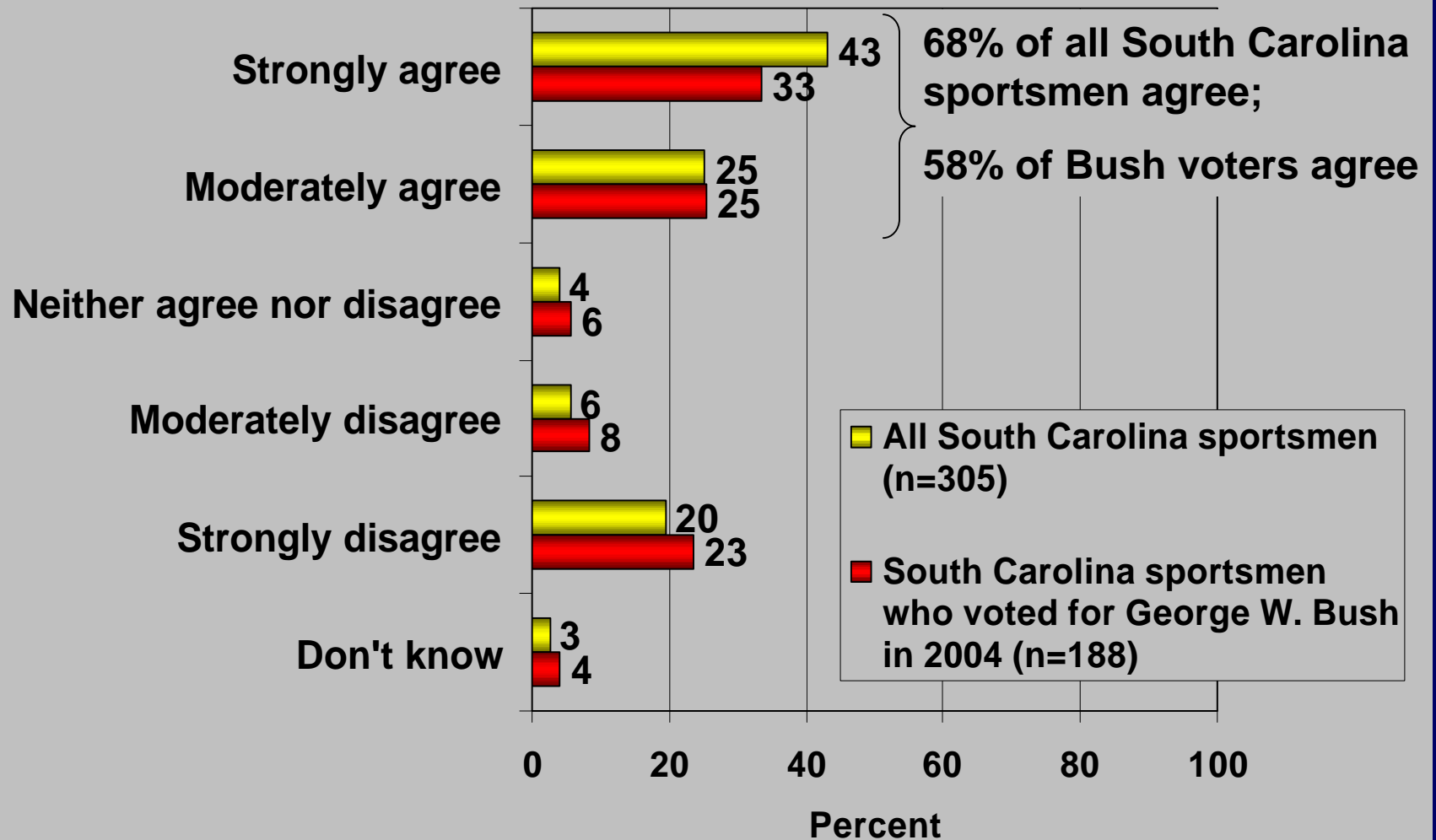
Percent who are very or somewhat concerned about the following conditions affecting South Carolina.



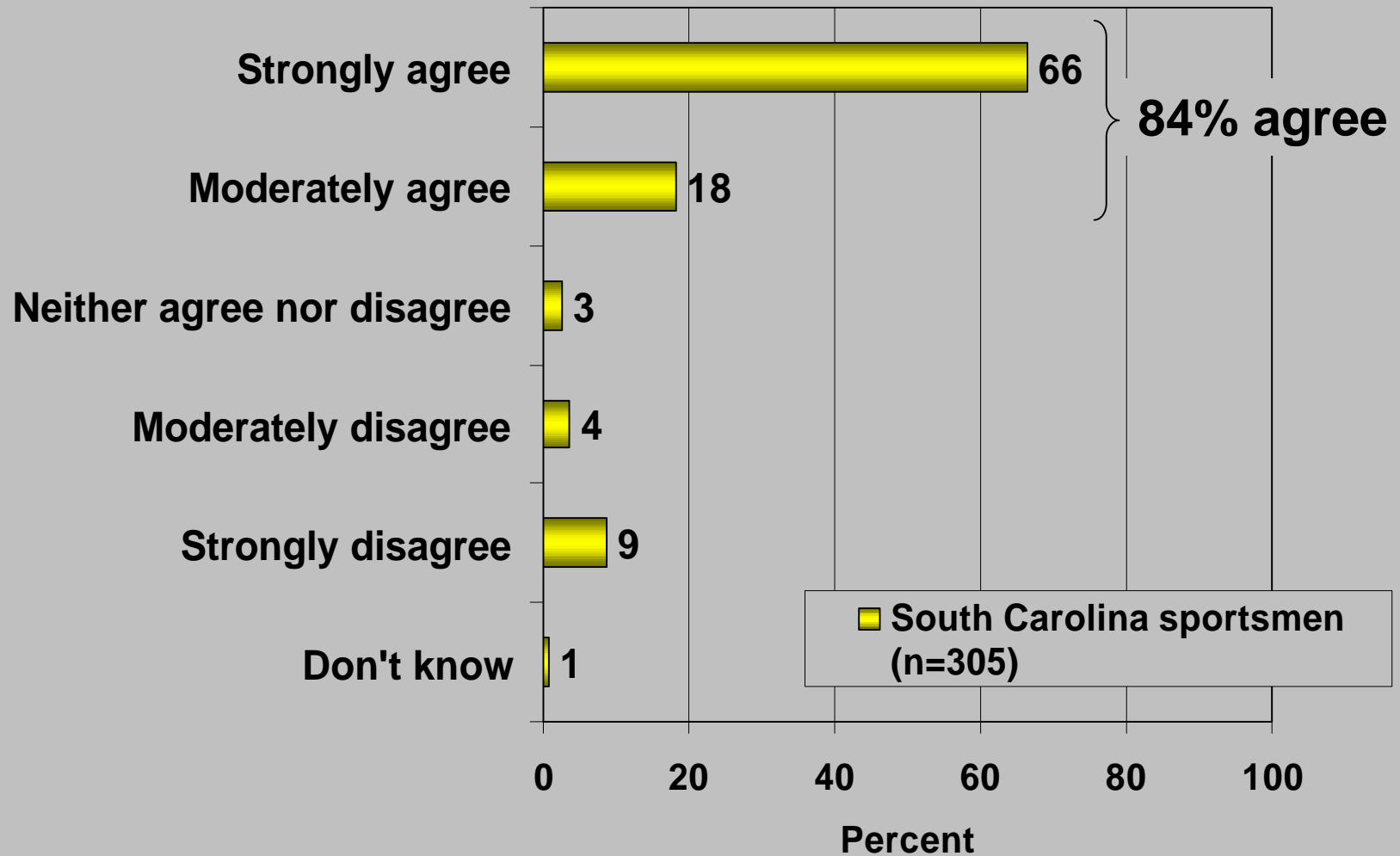
How concerned are you that the wildlife or fish populations in the areas where you typically hunt or fish will decrease significantly or disappear in the next 10 years?



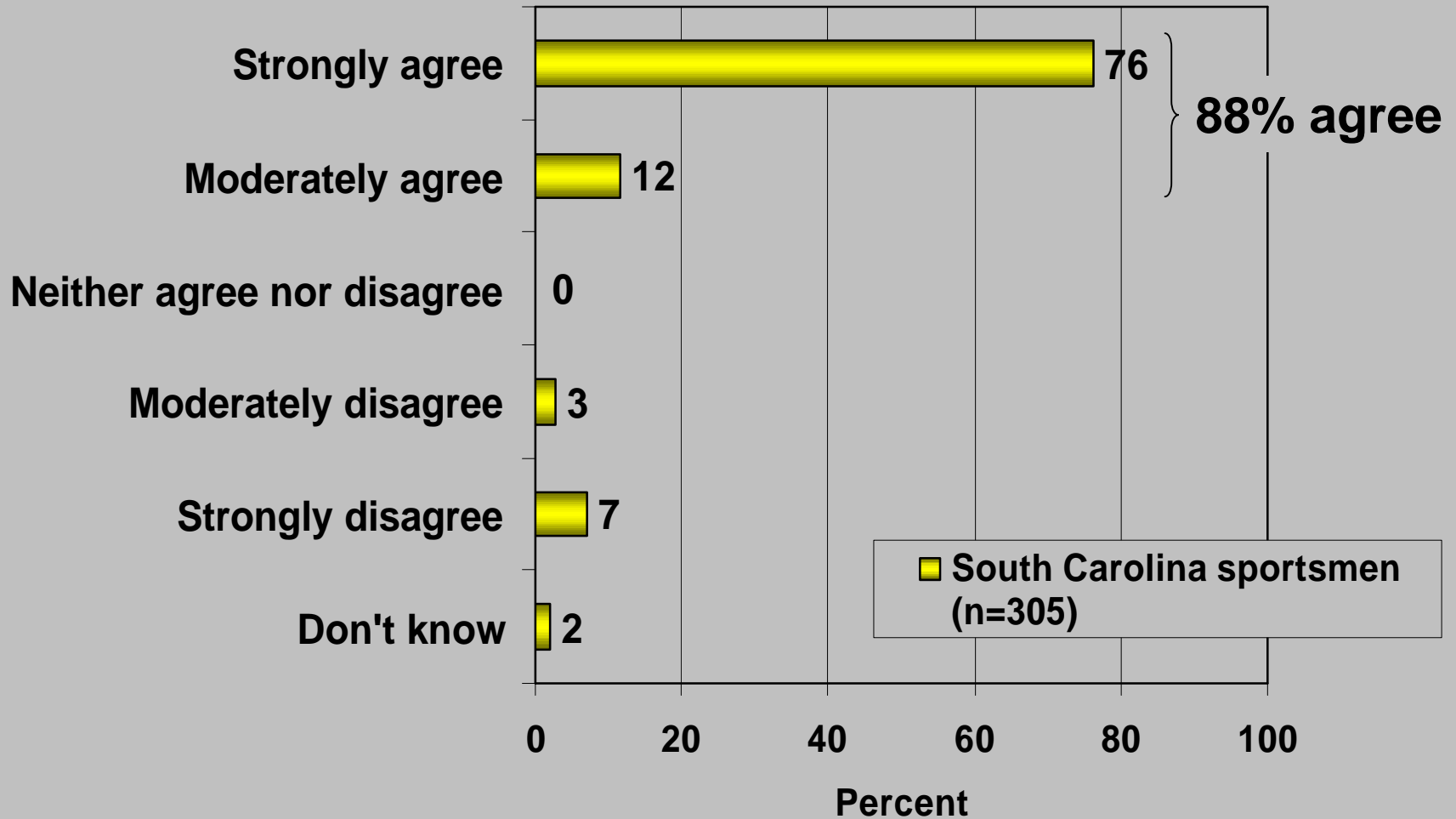
Global warming is an urgent problem requiring immediate action. (Do you agree or disagree with this statement?)



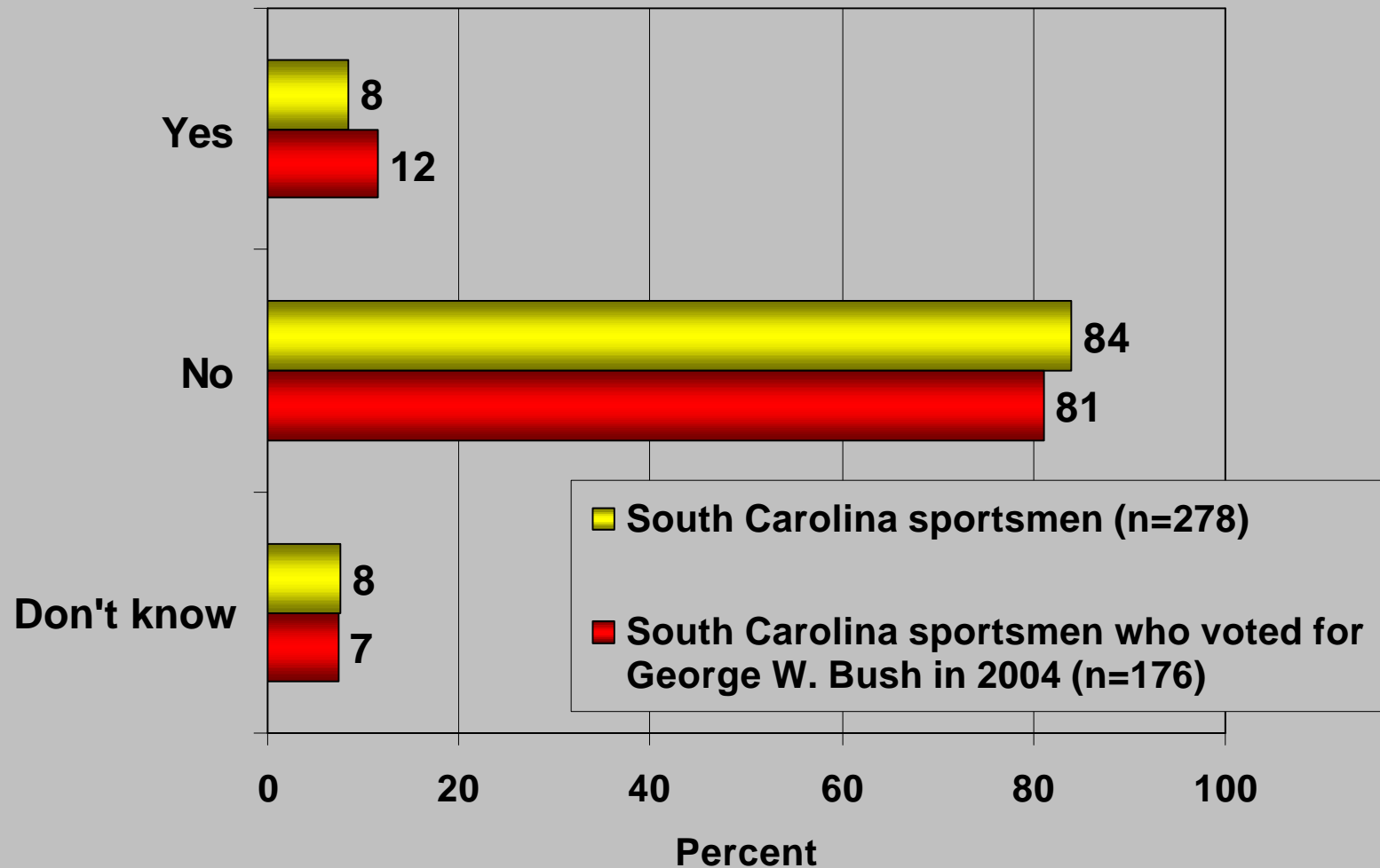
The U.S. should be a world leader in addressing global warming. (Do you agree or disagree with this statement?)



President Bush said in his State of the Union address that "America is addicted to oil". Do you agree or disagree with this statement?



Are the Administration and Congress doing enough to break America's addiction to oil? (Asked of those who agreed that America is addicted to oil.)

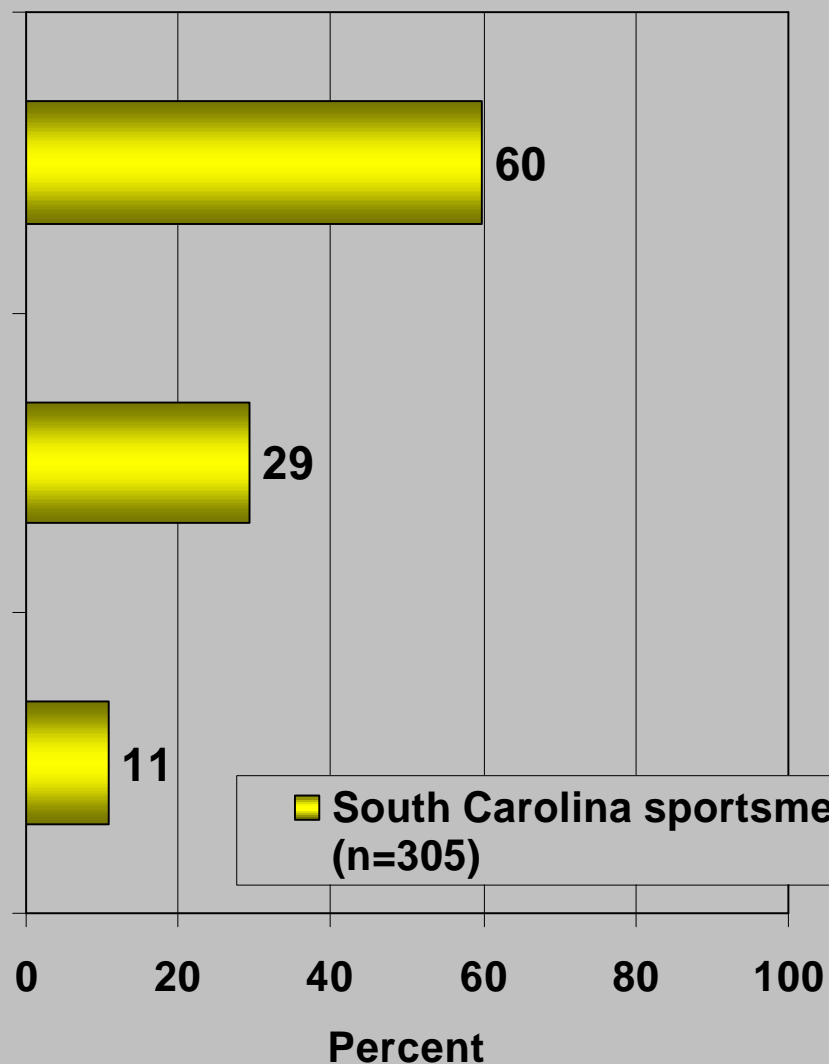


Which candidate do you prefer?

Candidate who believes we must take action now to reduce pollution contributing to global warming and supports strong laws

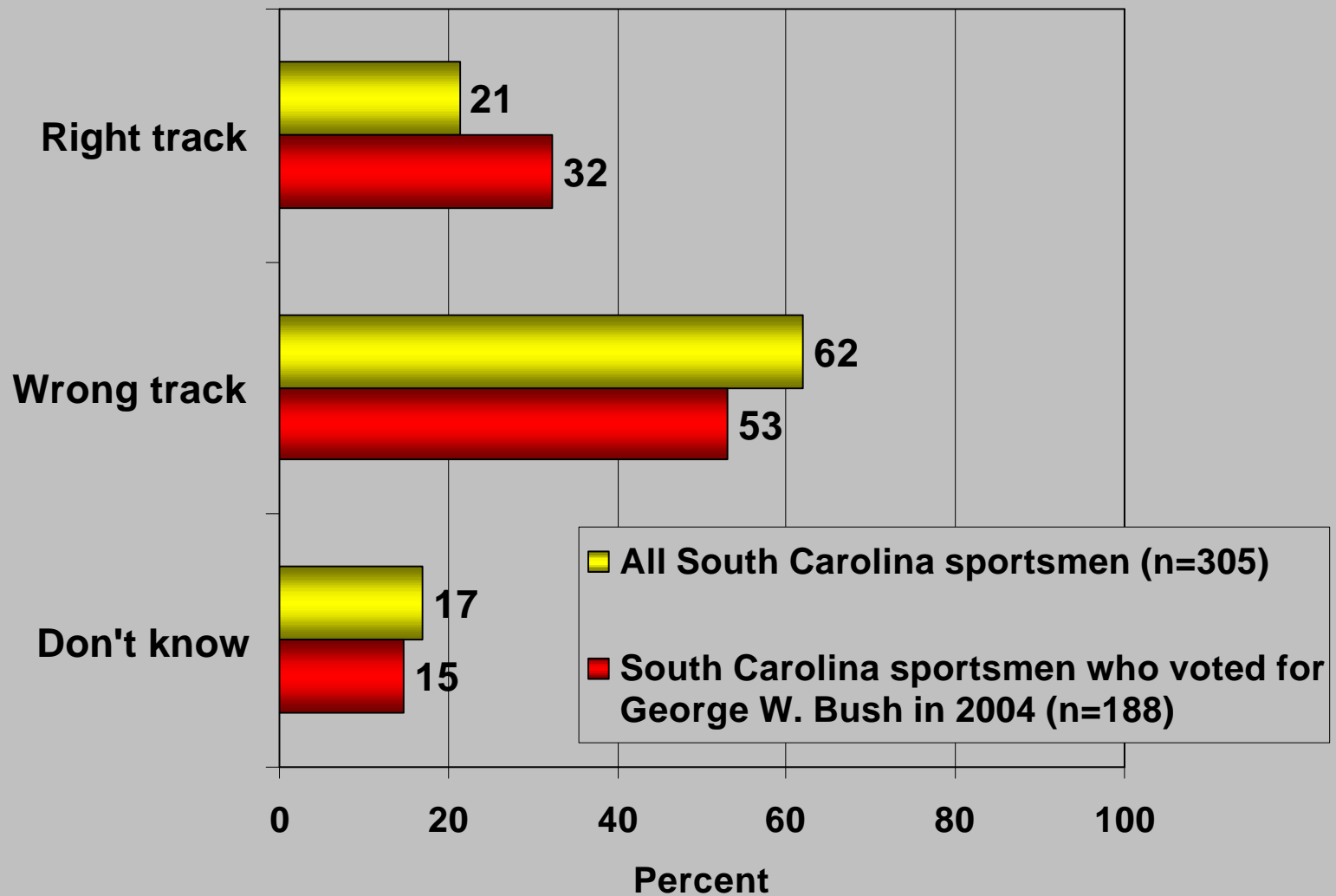
Candidate who believes more study is needed on global warming and believes there should be only voluntary responses rather than government regulation

Don't know

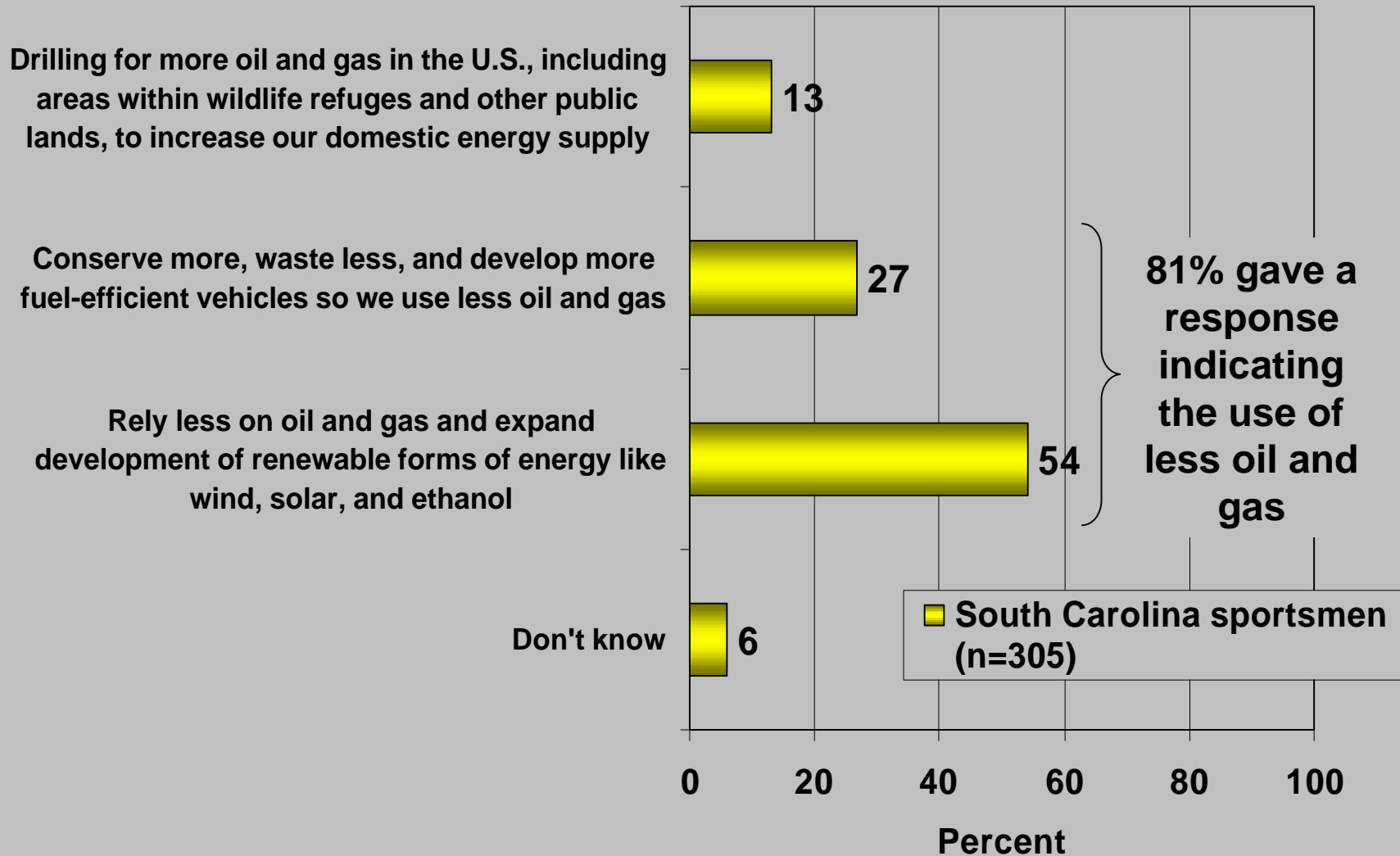


South Carolina sportsmen
(n=305)

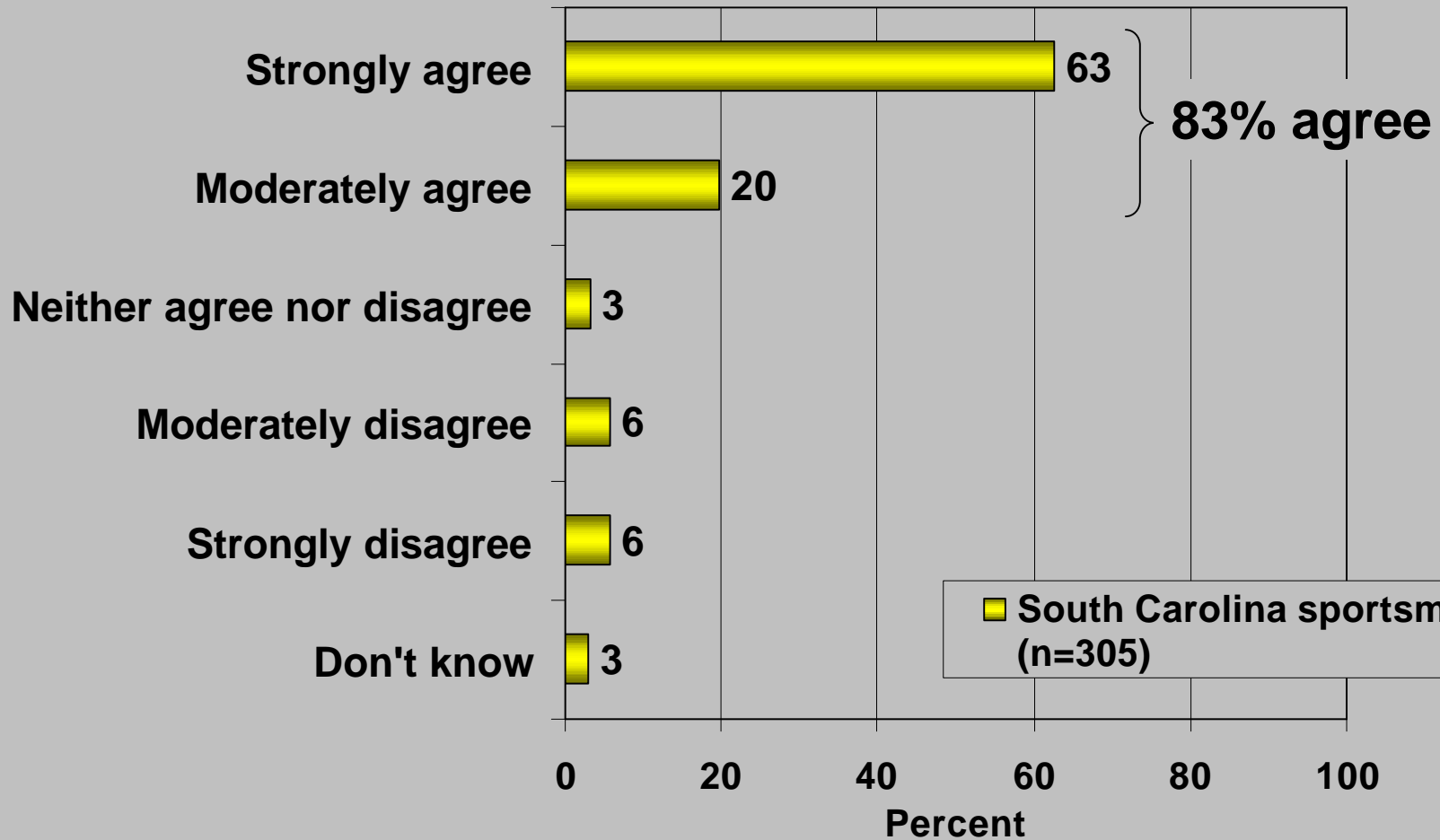
Is the country on the right track or the wrong track in meeting our national energy needs?



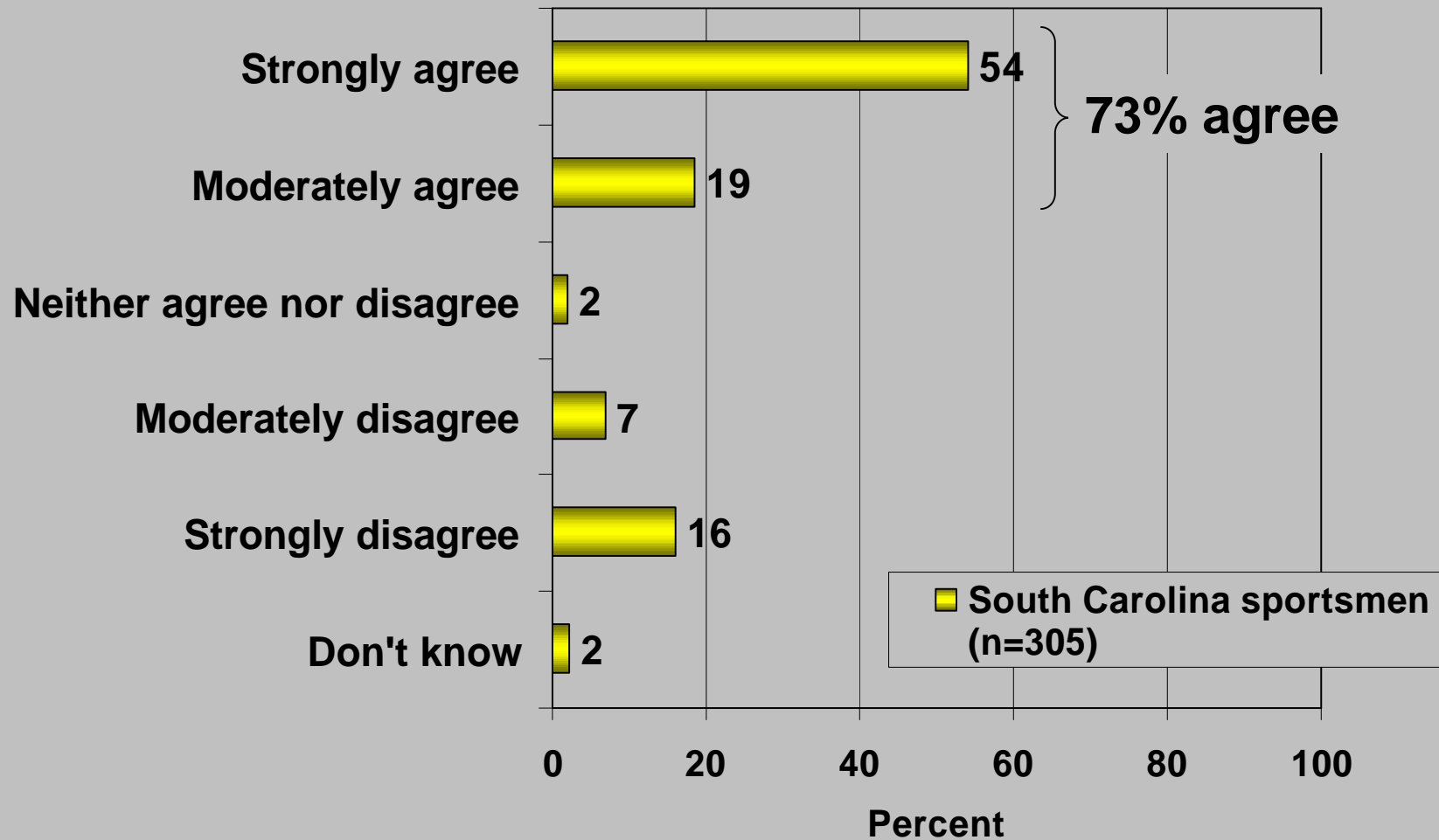
Which of the following do you think is the best way to address America's energy needs?



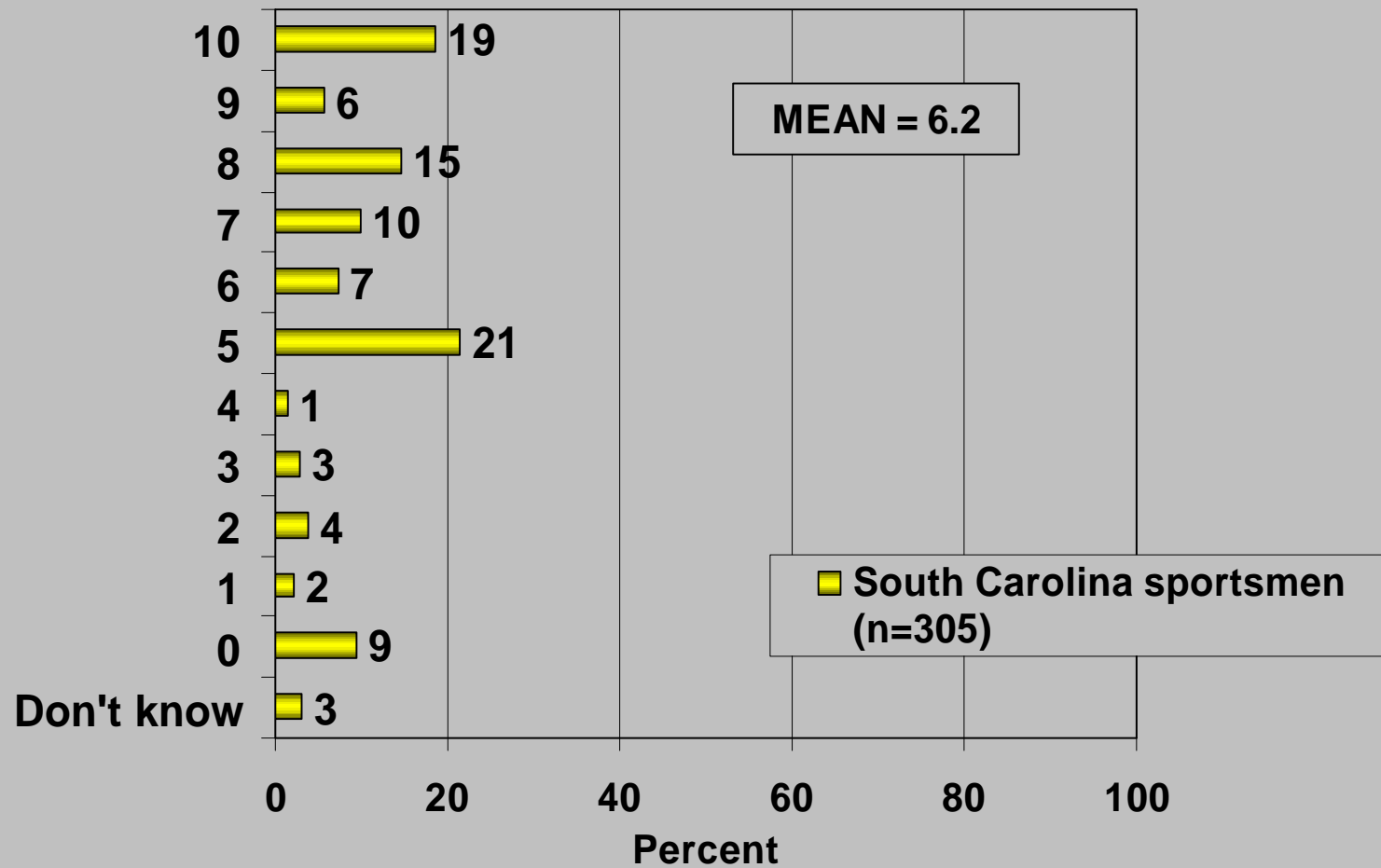
Do you agree or disagree with this statement: The U.S. should reduce its emissions of greenhouse gases like carbon dioxide that contribute to global warming and threaten fish and wildlife habitat.



Congress should pass legislation that sets a clear national goal for reducing global warming pollution with mandatory timelines because industry has already had enough time to clean up voluntarily. (Do you agree or disagree with this statement?)



How important or unimportant do you think it should be for the South Carolina state government to take immediate action to reduce global warming (on a scale of 0 to 10, where 0 is not at all important and 10 is extremely important)?



Percent who strongly or moderately support the following.

The development of a statewide energy policy in South Carolina that encourages the development and use of alternative fuels and renewable energy sources, such as wind, solar power, and ethanol

South Carolina state legislation to require reducing power plant pollution that contributes to global warming and harms public health

South Carolina state legislation to study global warming solutions that may be enacted in South Carolina in the future

