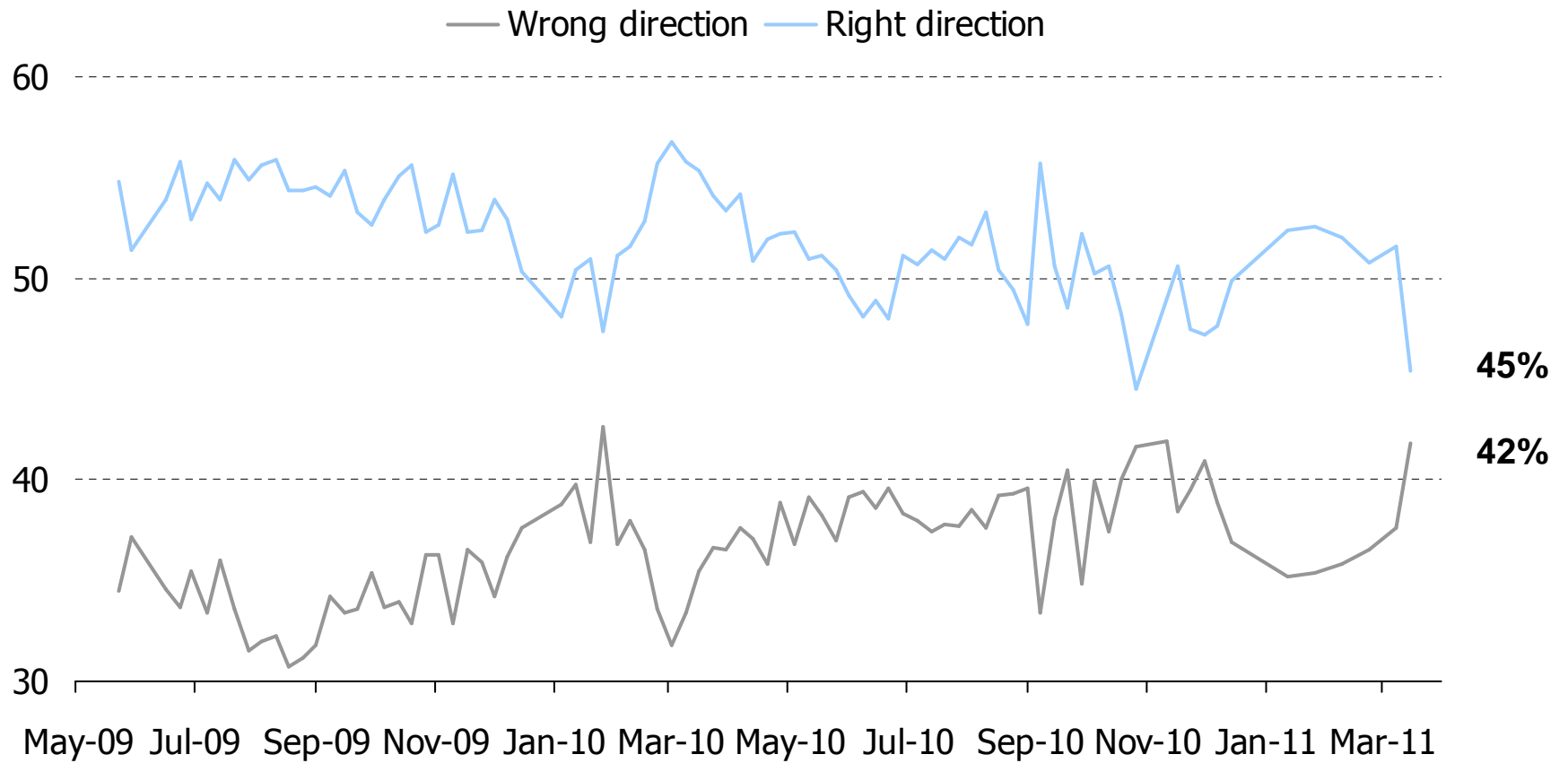


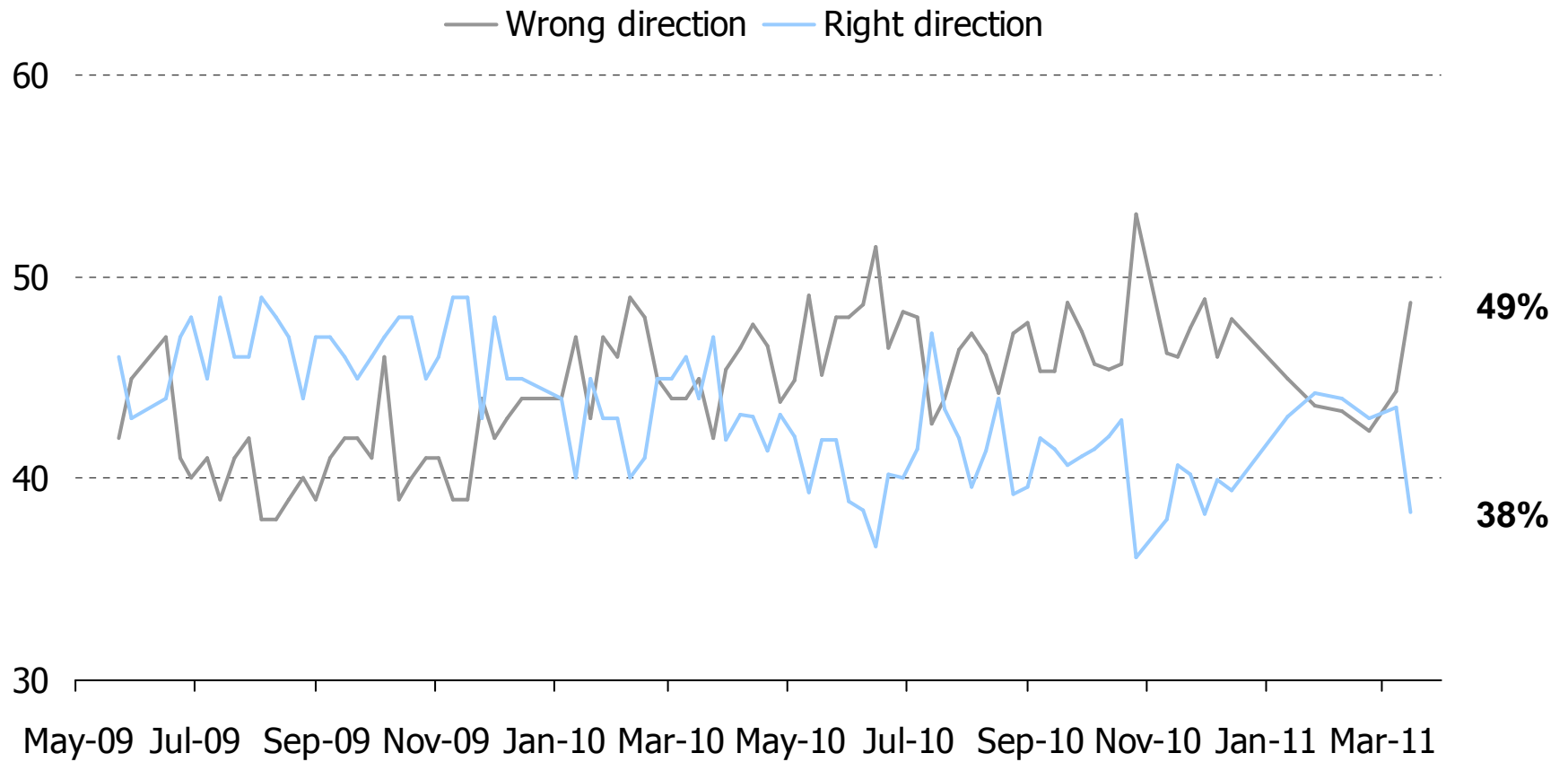
Direction of country

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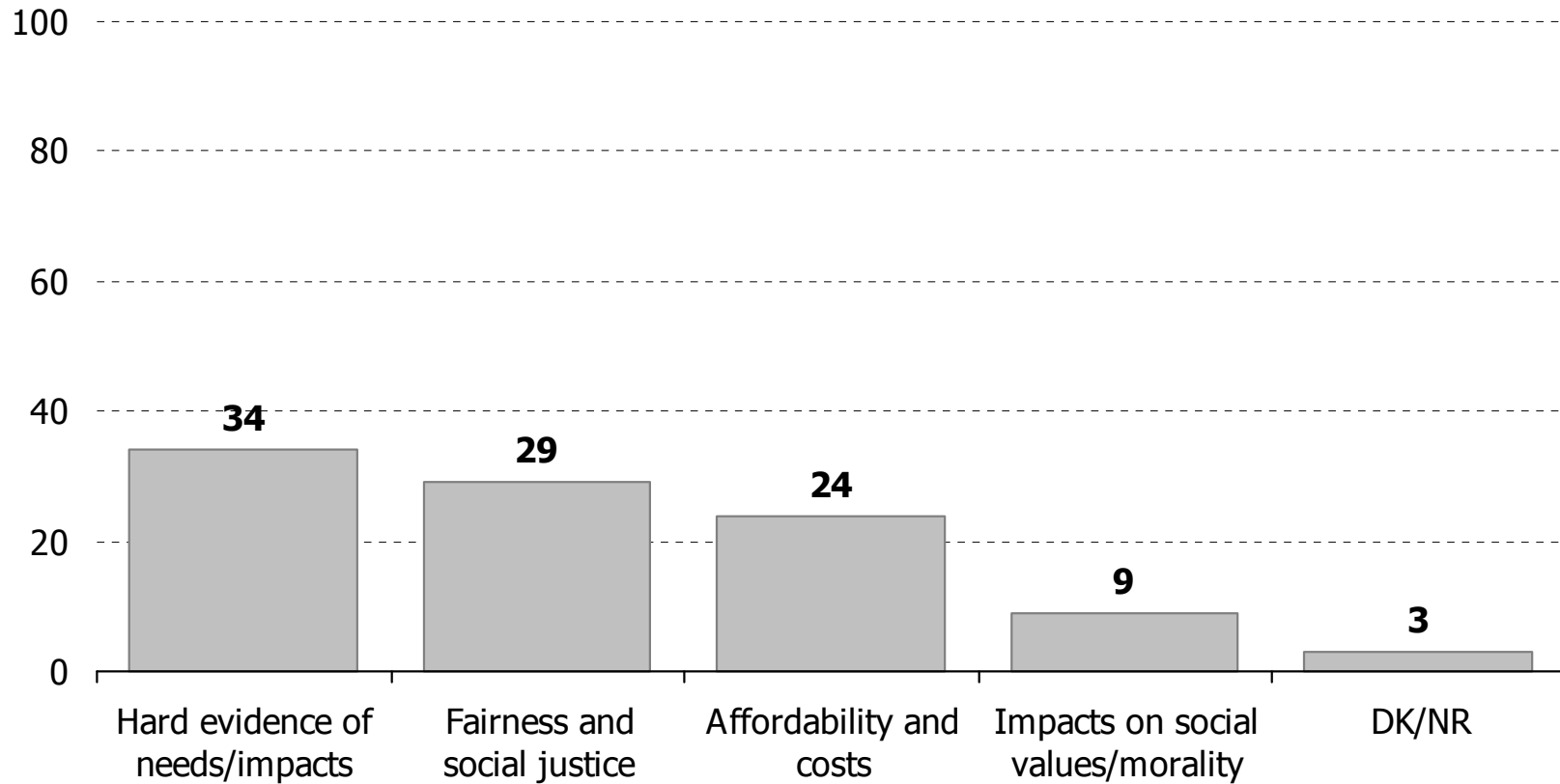
Direction of government

Q. All things considered, would you say the Government of Canada is moving in the right direction or the wrong direction?



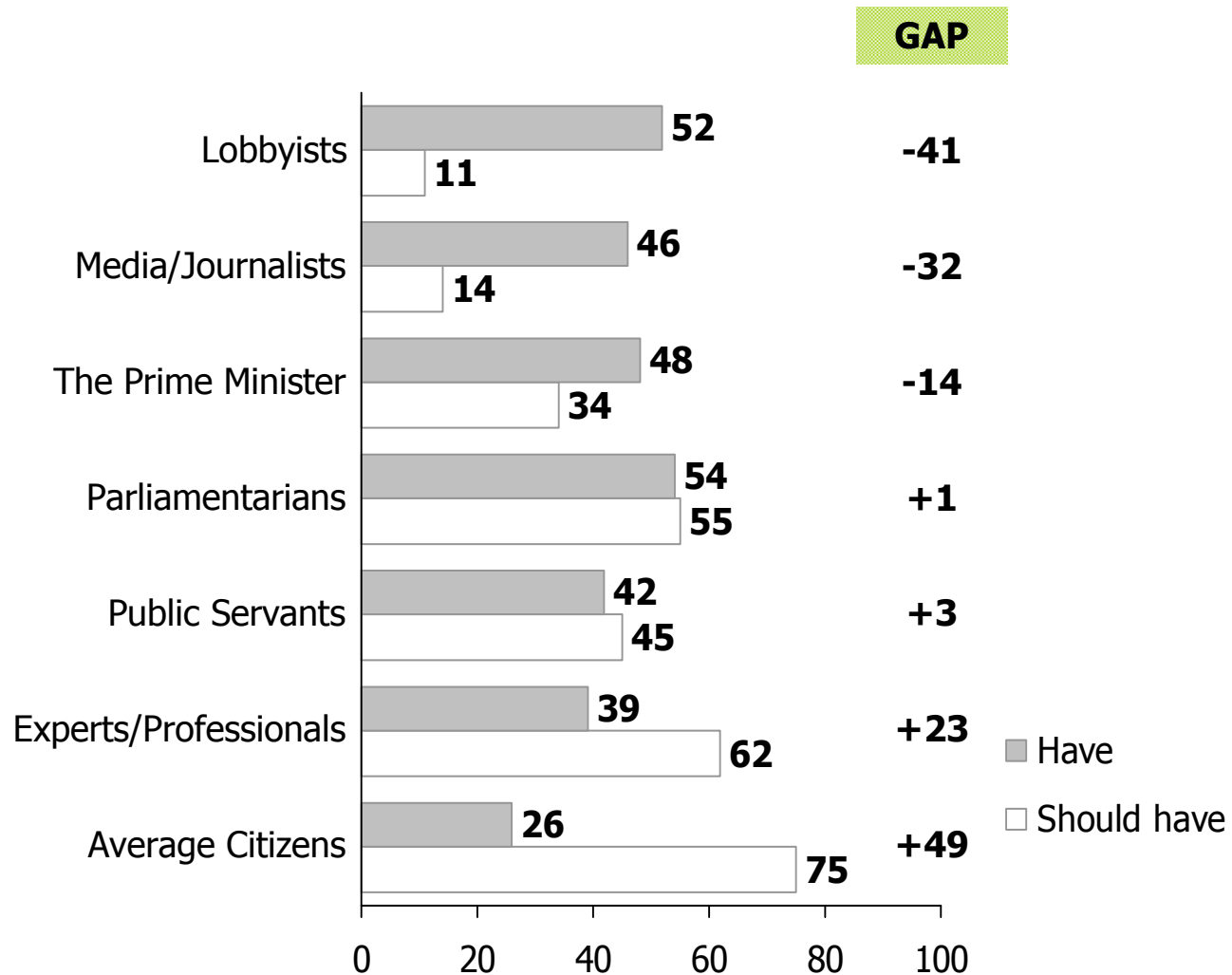
Most important factor in national decision making

Q. In making important national decisions, which of the following factors do you think should be most important?



Power gap: who has/who should have power

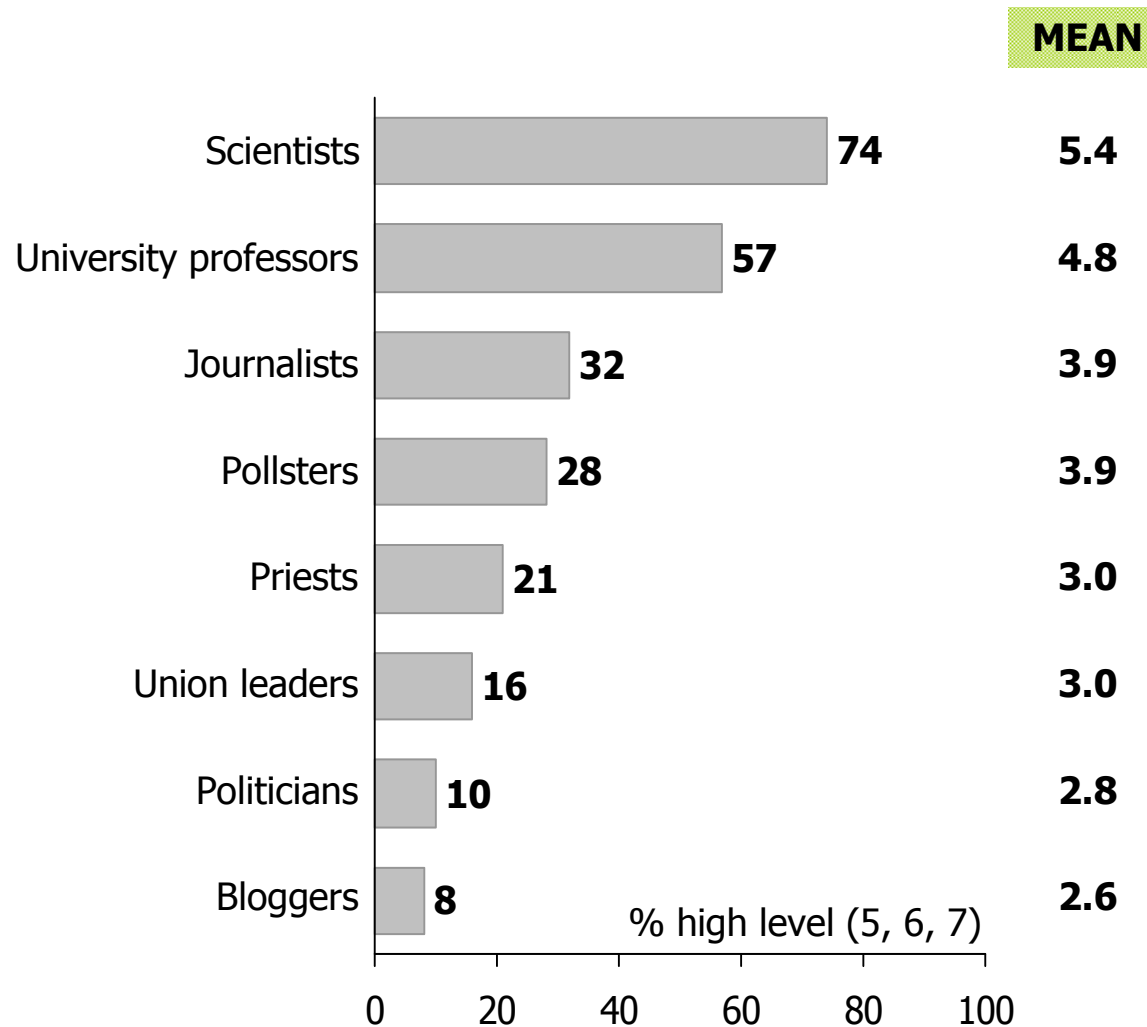
Q. Which of the following groups should have/should have the most influence in defining public policies in Canada?*



*Presented in series of random paired choices. Per cent indicates average number of times option is selected over all others.

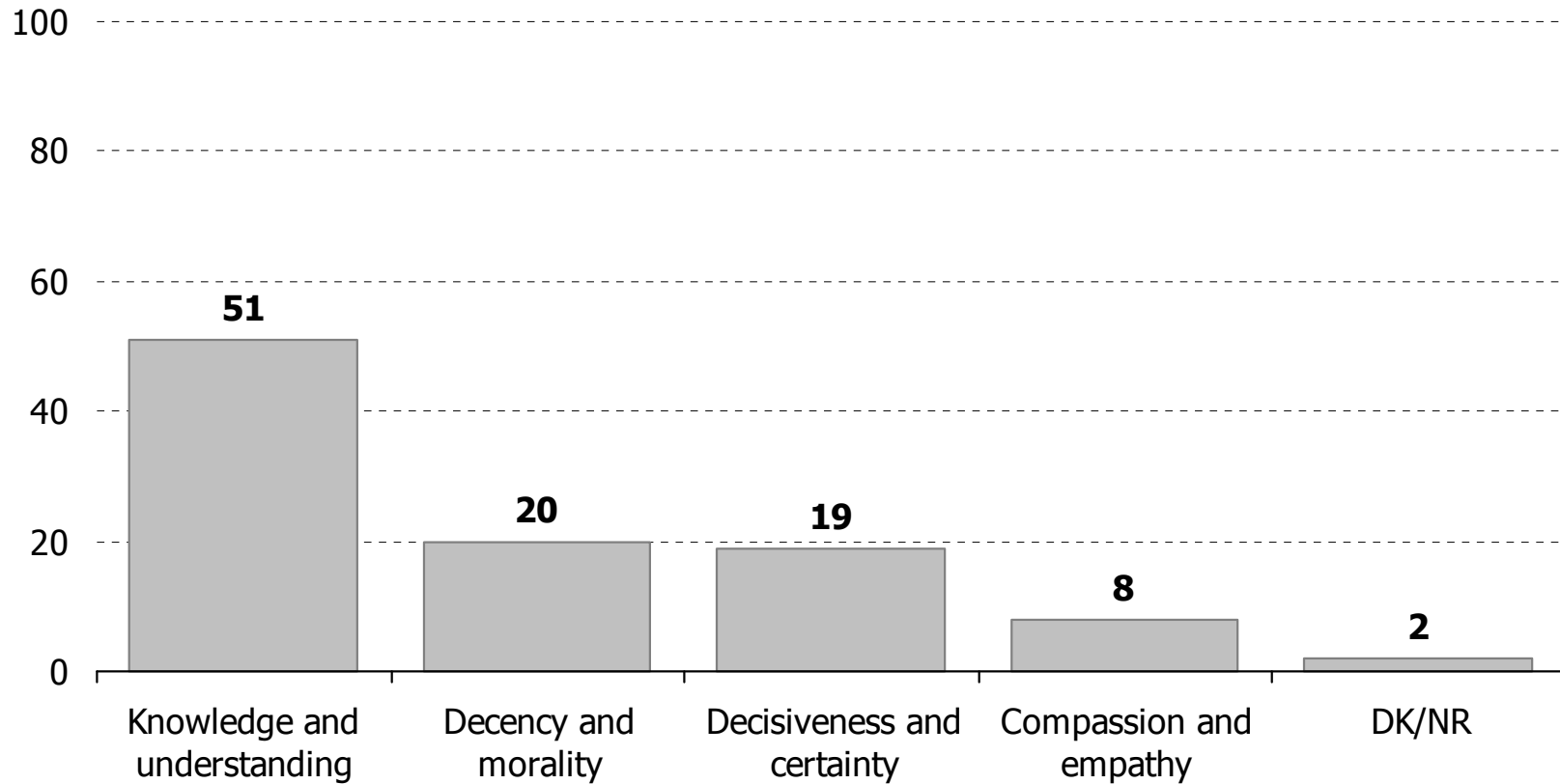
Trust in occupations

Q. How much trust do you have in each of the following occupational groups or individuals?



Most important trait in a national leader

Q. Which of the following traits would you most like to see in a national leader?



Attitudes towards science and expertise

Q. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

"It really bothers me that hard scientific evidence isn't shaping public policy to the degree that it should be."



"In an era of social media such as Facebook, Twitter, and Wikipedia, knowledge and expertise can be constructed from ordinary citizens."



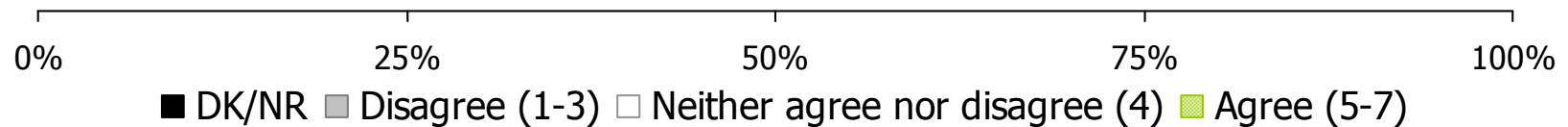
"I worry that the rule of experts and professionals produces elitism and inequality."



"I don't believe all this talk about greenhouse gas emissions causing global climate change."

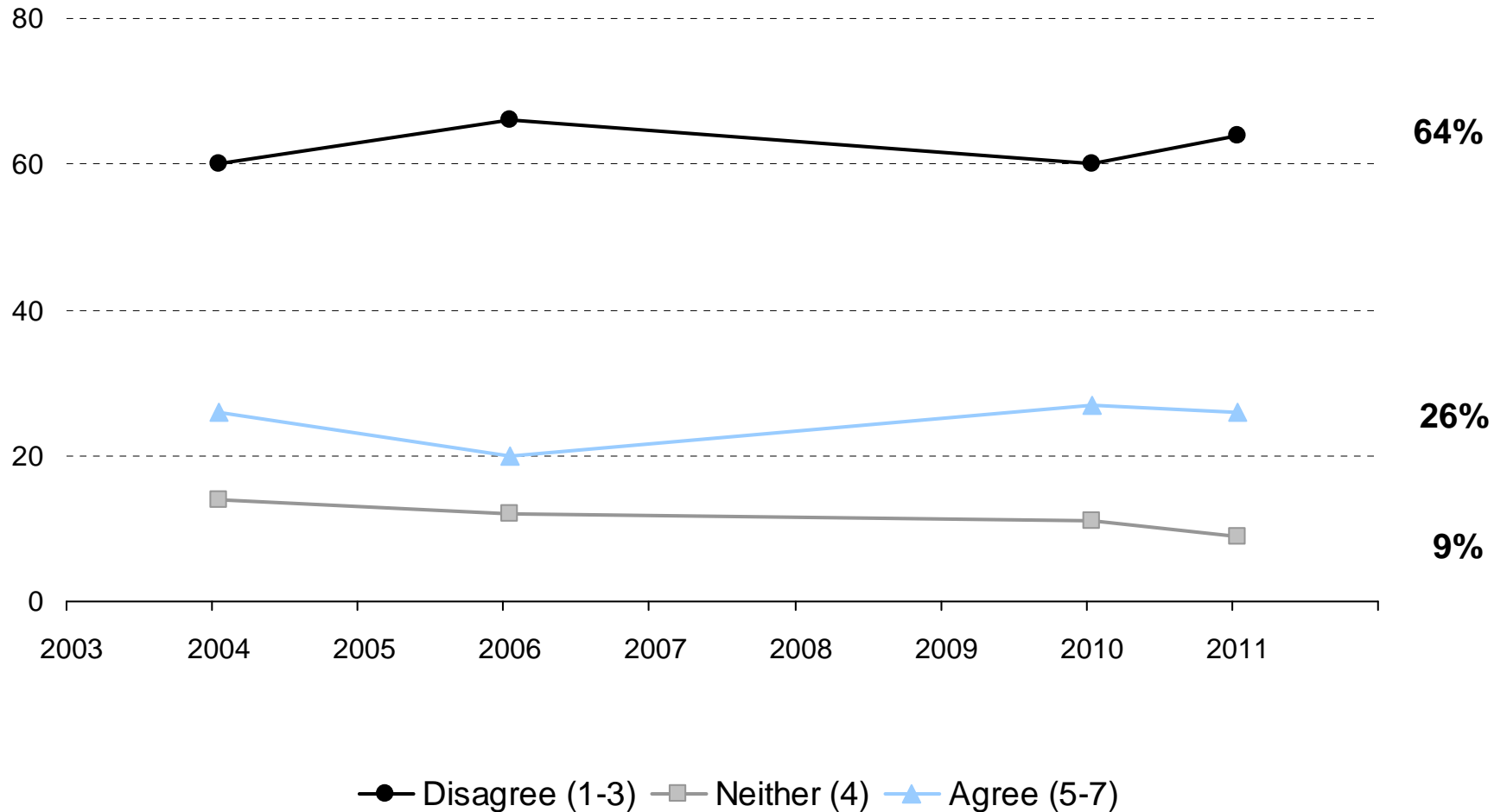


"I am worried that science is going too far and is hurting society rather than helping it."



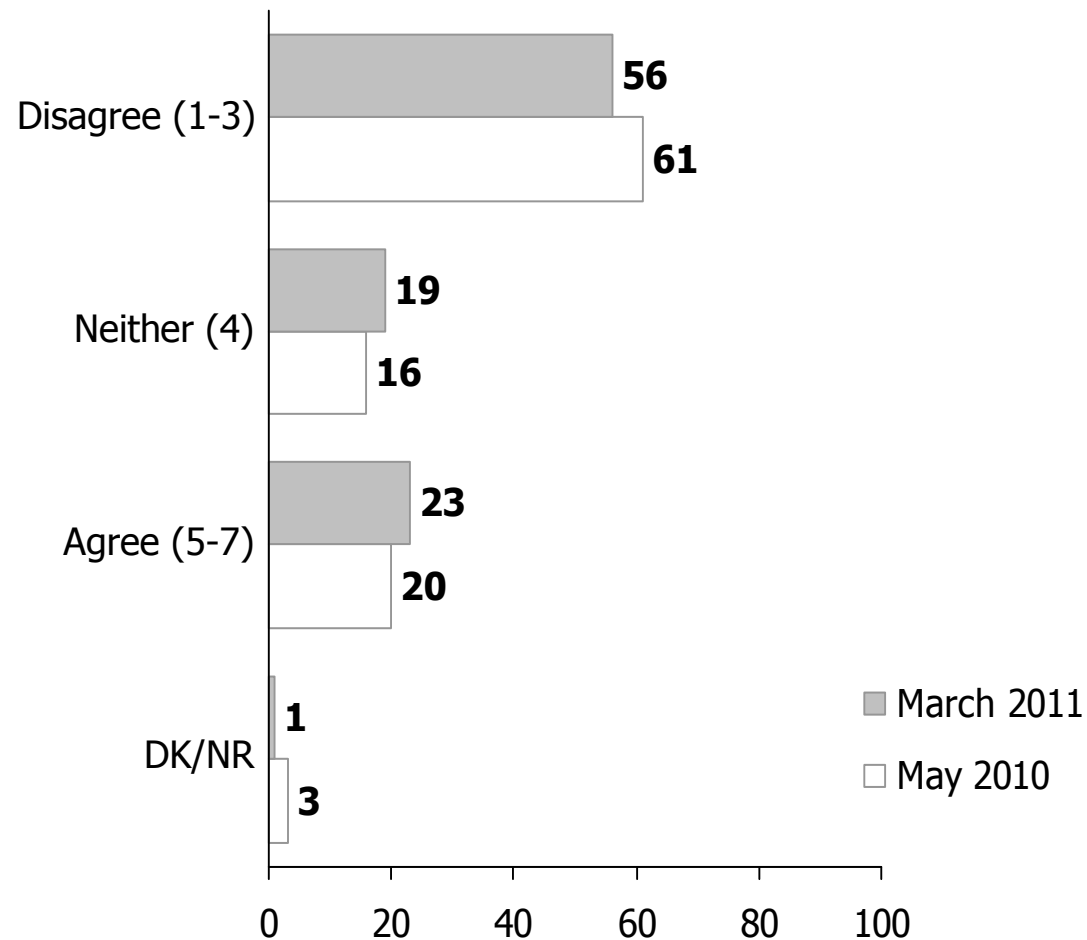
Tracking belief in climate change

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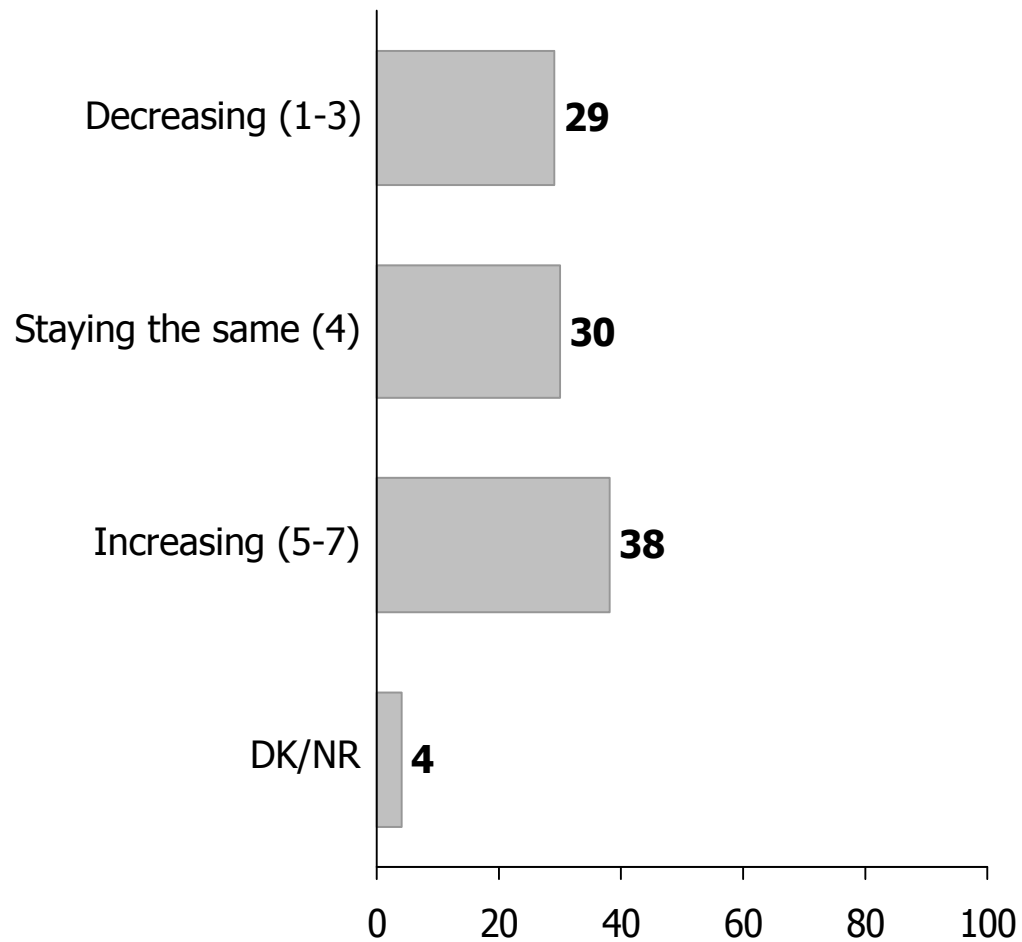
Tracking concerns over science

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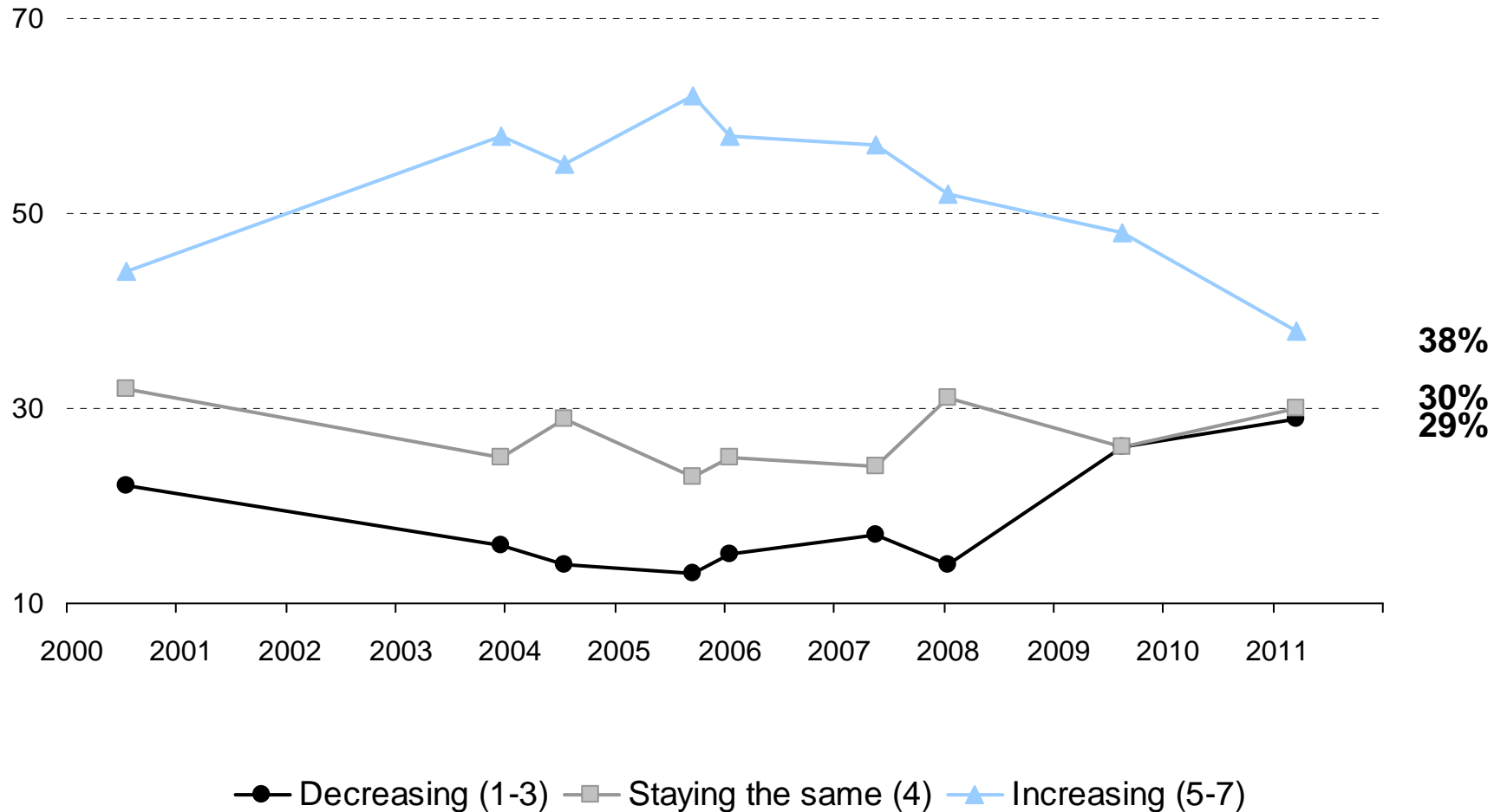
Perceived changes in violent crime rates

Q. Over the past 10 years, would you say that the crime rate in Canada has been ... ?



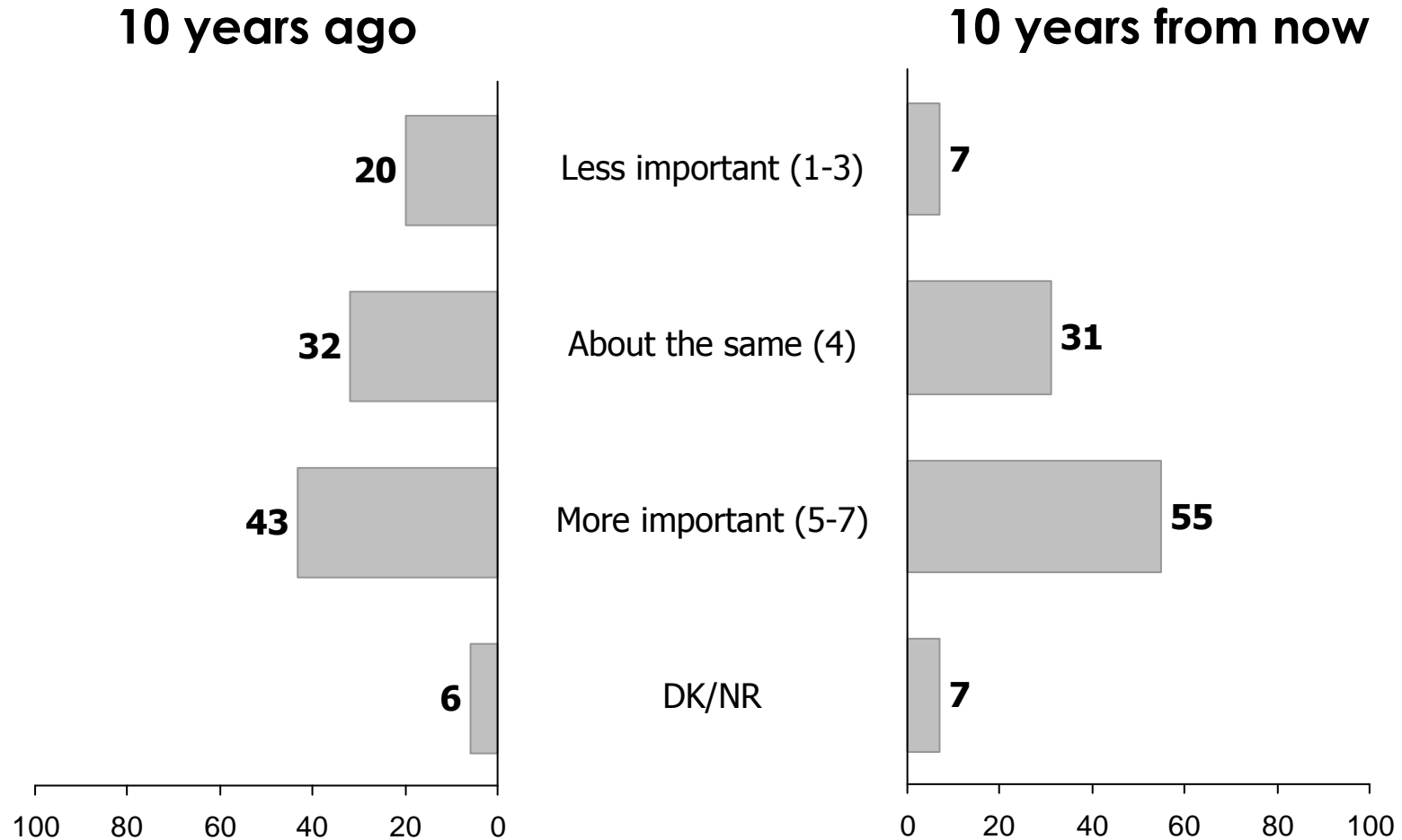
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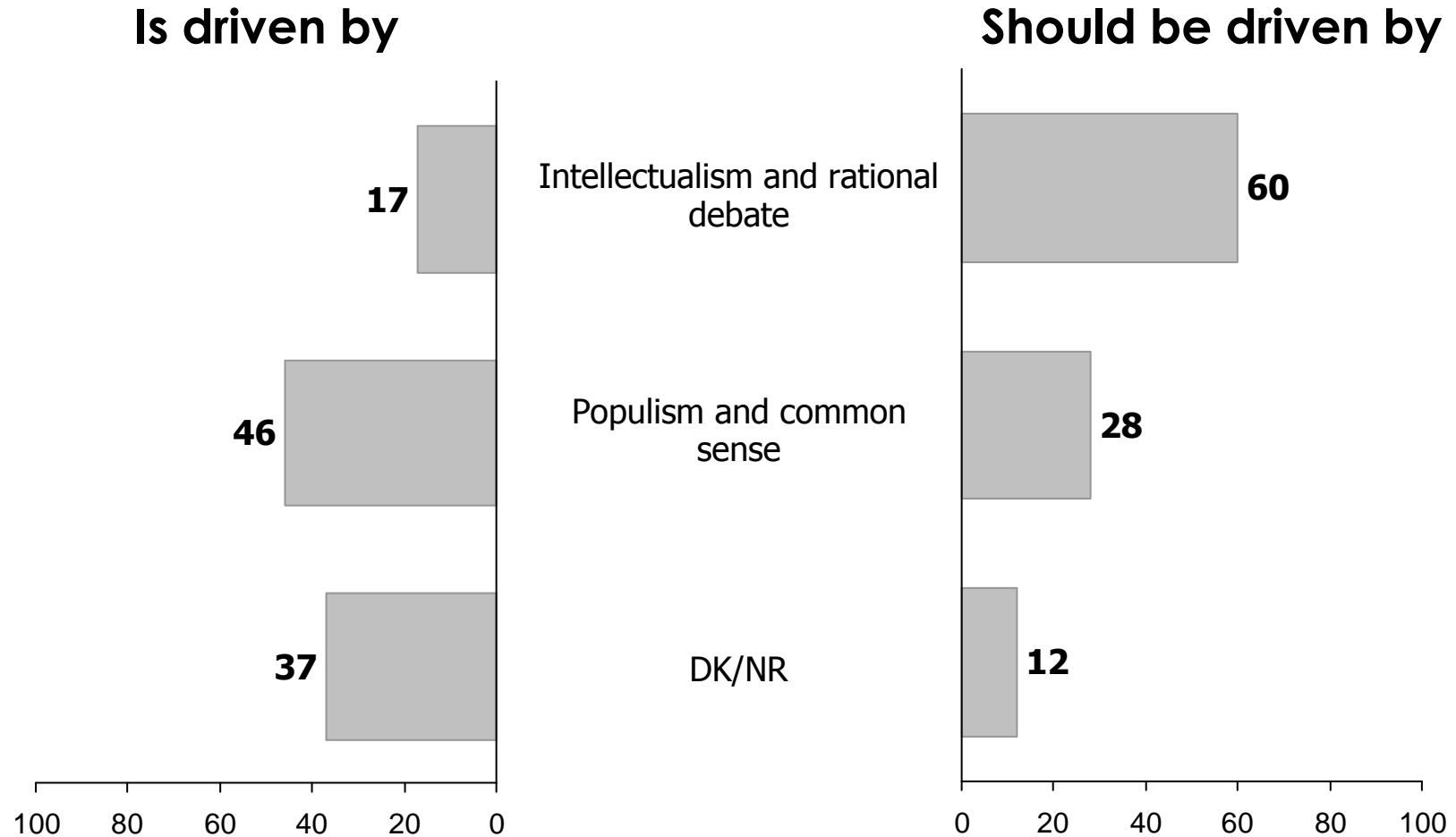
Perceived importance of hard evidence in decision making

Q. Overall, do you think that the use of hard evidence and professional expertise in public decision making is/will be more or less important than it was 10 years ago/10 years from now?



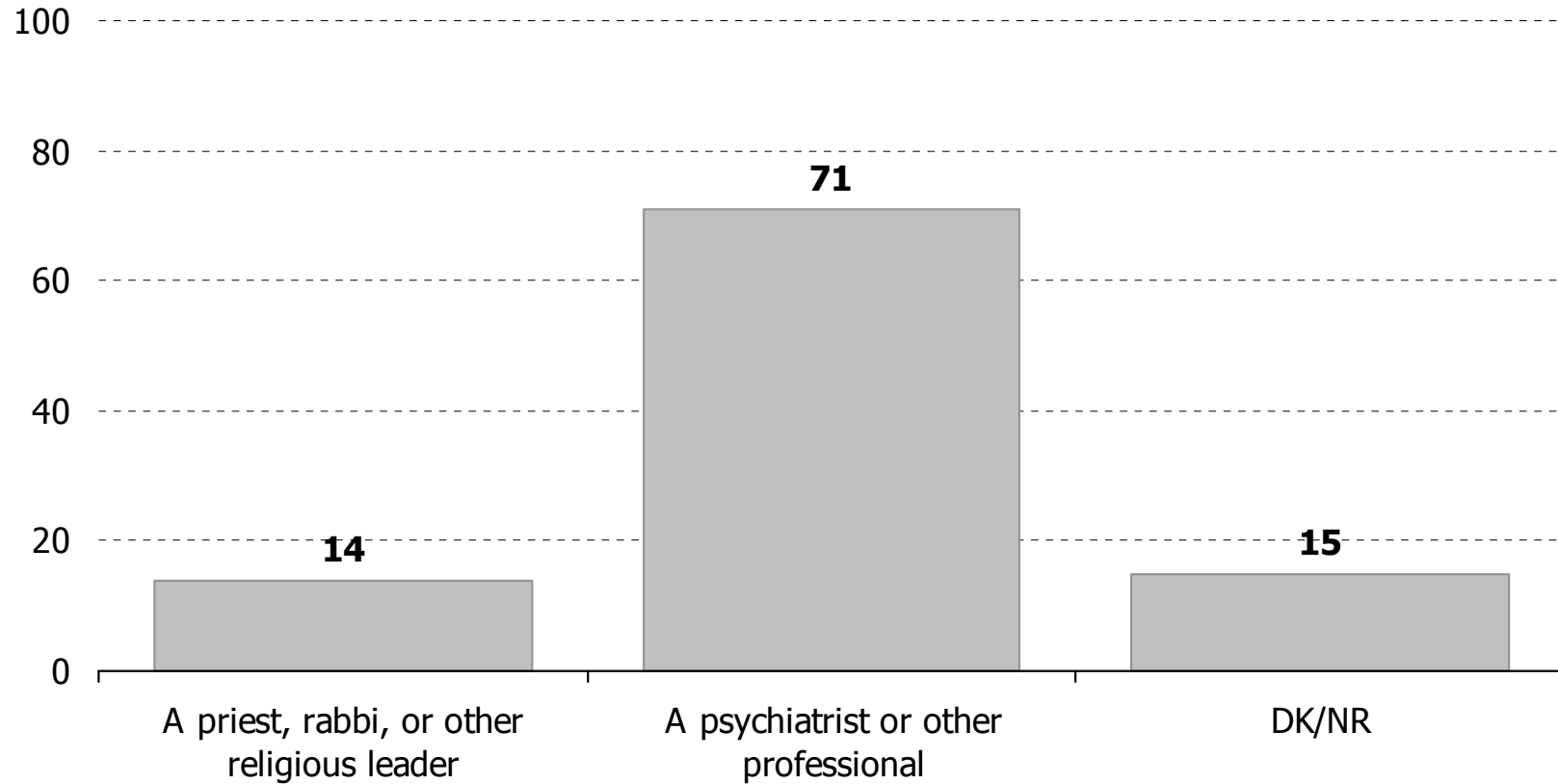
Intellectualism versus populism in politics

Q. Do you think that contemporary politics is/should be driven by intellectualism and rational debate or by populism and common sense?



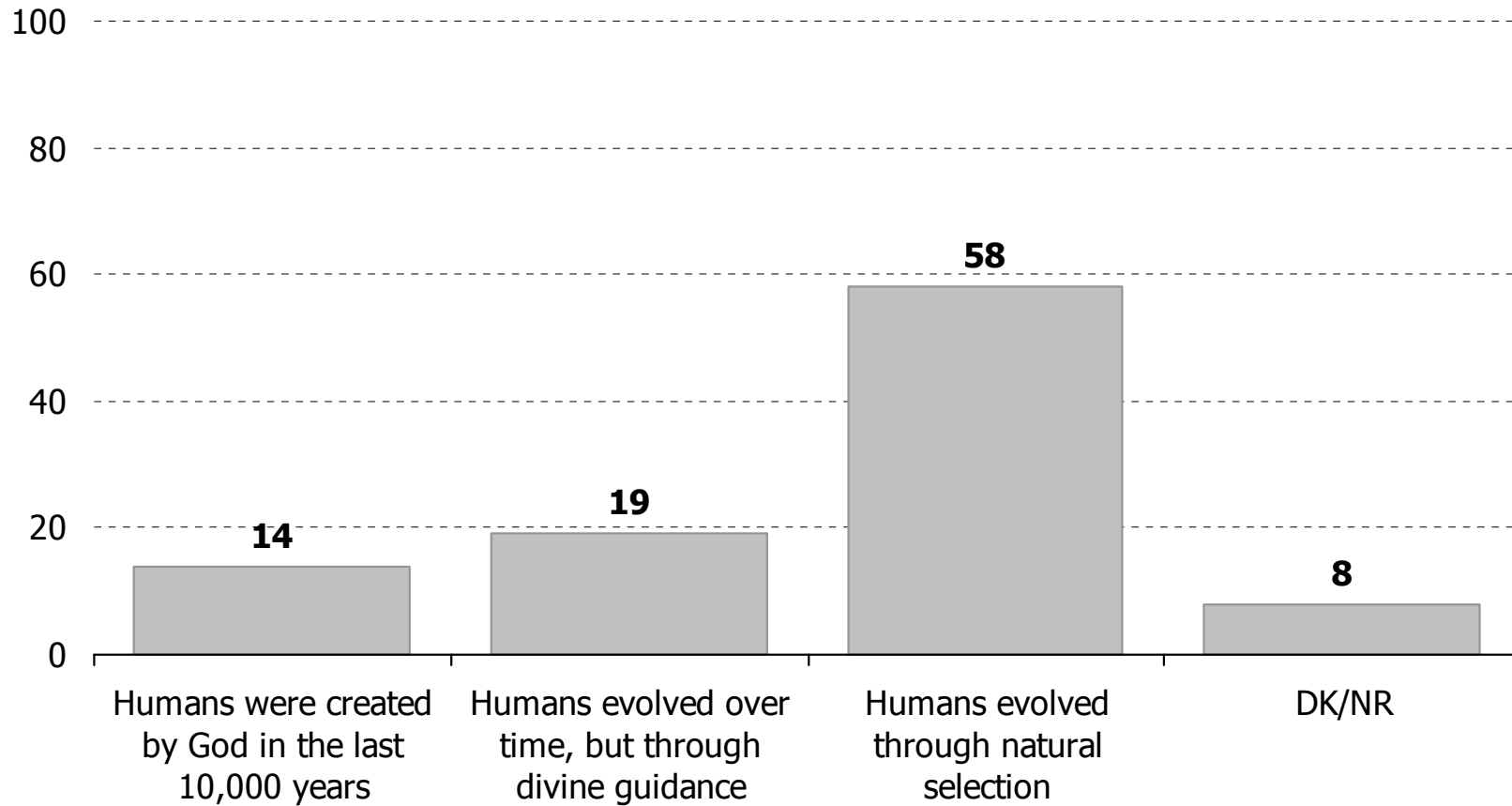
Preferred source of personal guidance

Q. If you were facing a deep personal crisis, which of the following individuals would you prefer to consult?



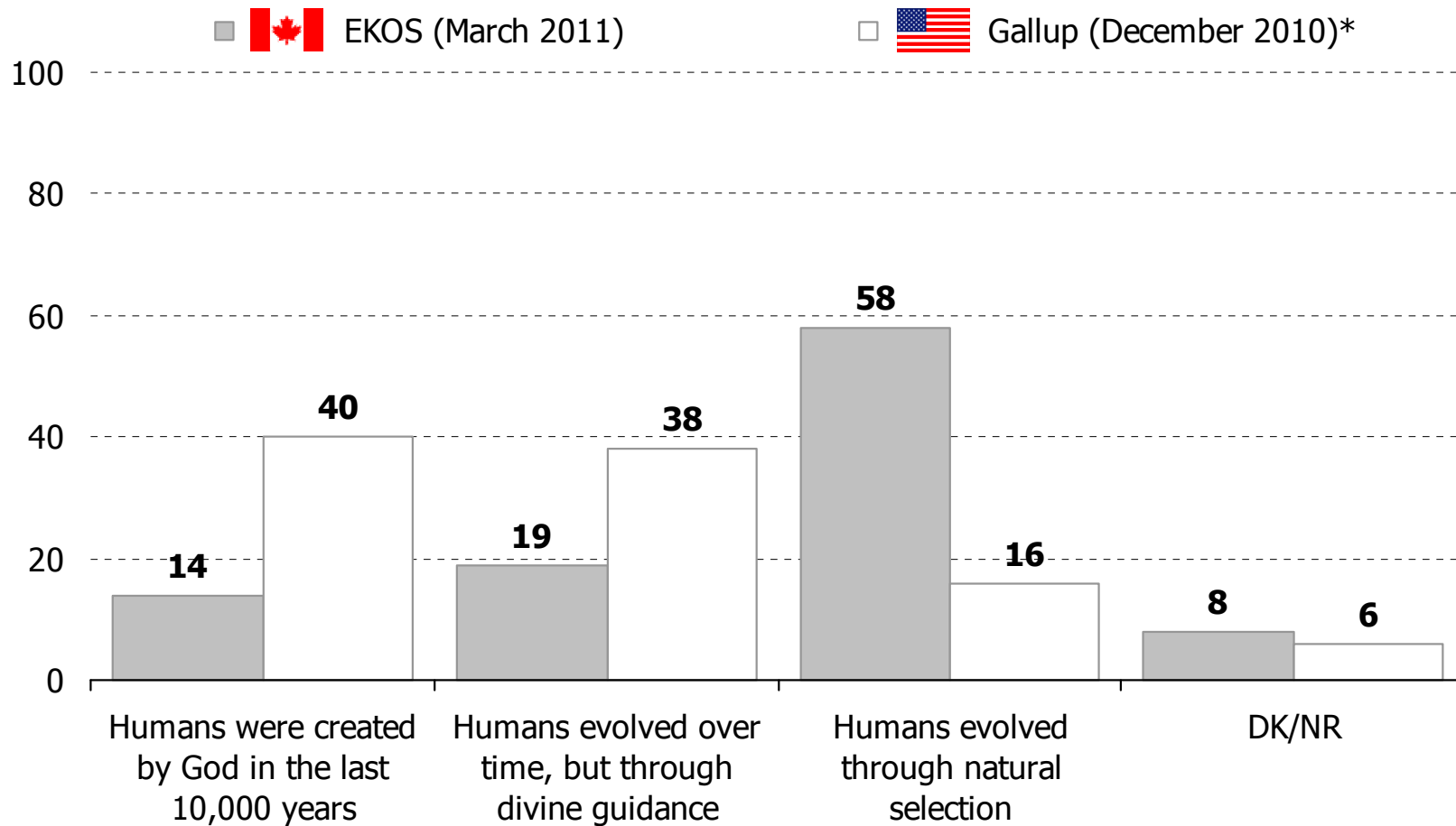
Origins of mankind

Q. Which of the following statements comes closest to your point of view?



Origins of mankind: Canada versus US

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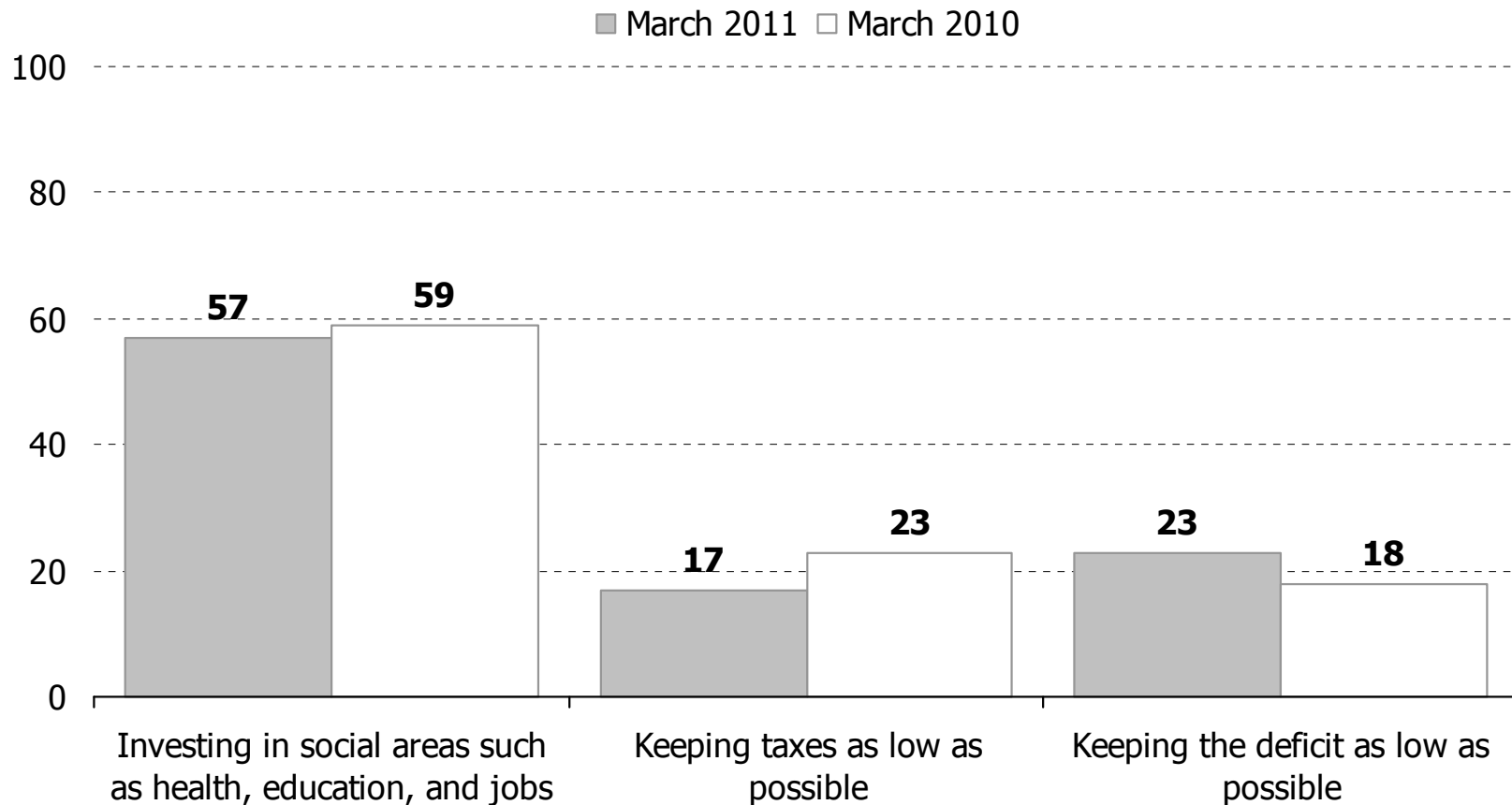
*Source: Gallup poll; December 10-12, 2010 (n=1,019). Question worded as follows:

"Which of the following statements comes closest to your views on the origin and development of human beings:

- 1) Human beings have developed over millions of years from less advanced forms of life, but God guided this process;
- 2) Human beings have developed over millions of years from less advanced forms of life, but God had no part in this process; or
- 3) God created human beings pretty much in their present form at one time within the last 10,000 years or so?"

Priorities for the next budget

Q. *The federal government faces major challenges in dealing with its finances. The country also has major ongoing investment needs. Which of the following three priorities should be the most important principle for dealing with these challenges?*



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