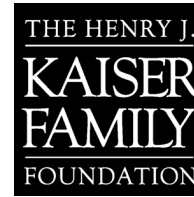

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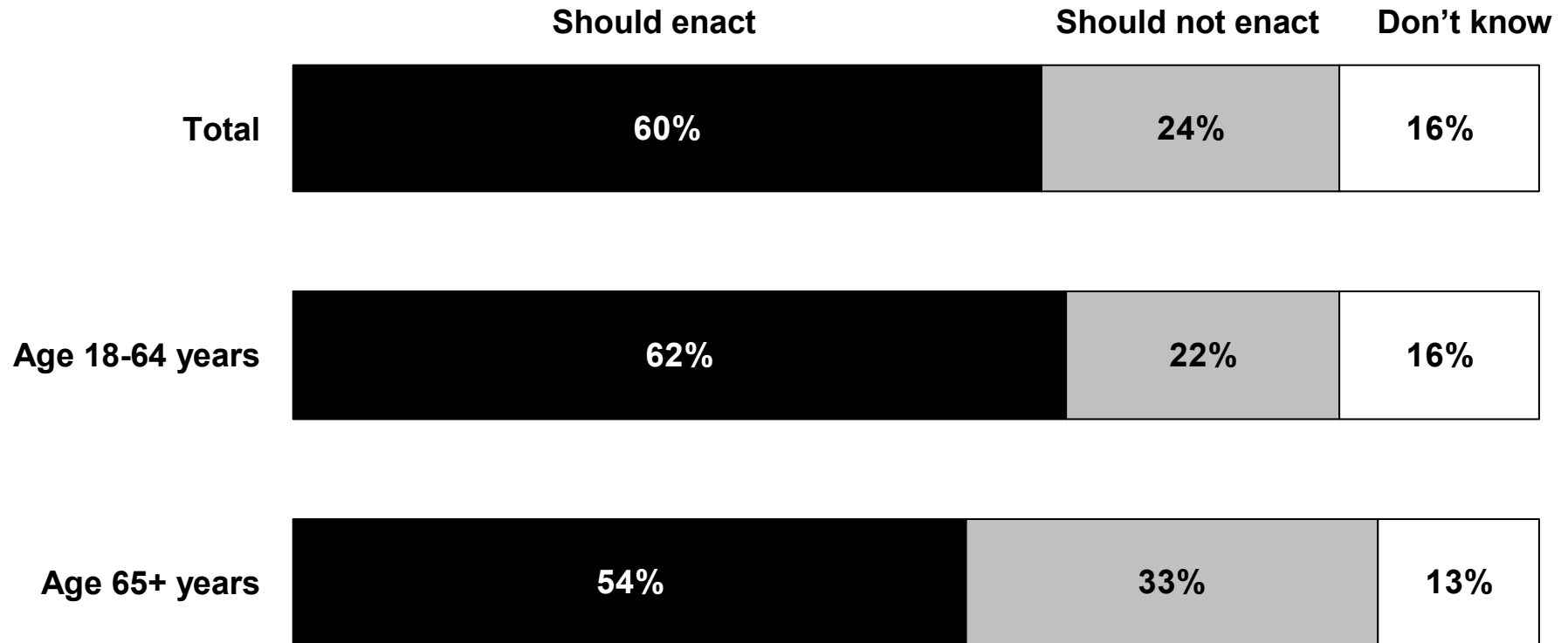
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Chart 1

Support for Passing Medicare Rx Drug Legislation

Taking into account everything you've heard about the legislation currently being discussed, do you think Congress should enact legislation this year to add a prescription drug benefit to Medicare, or do you think there are too many problems with the legislation and it should NOT be enacted this year?

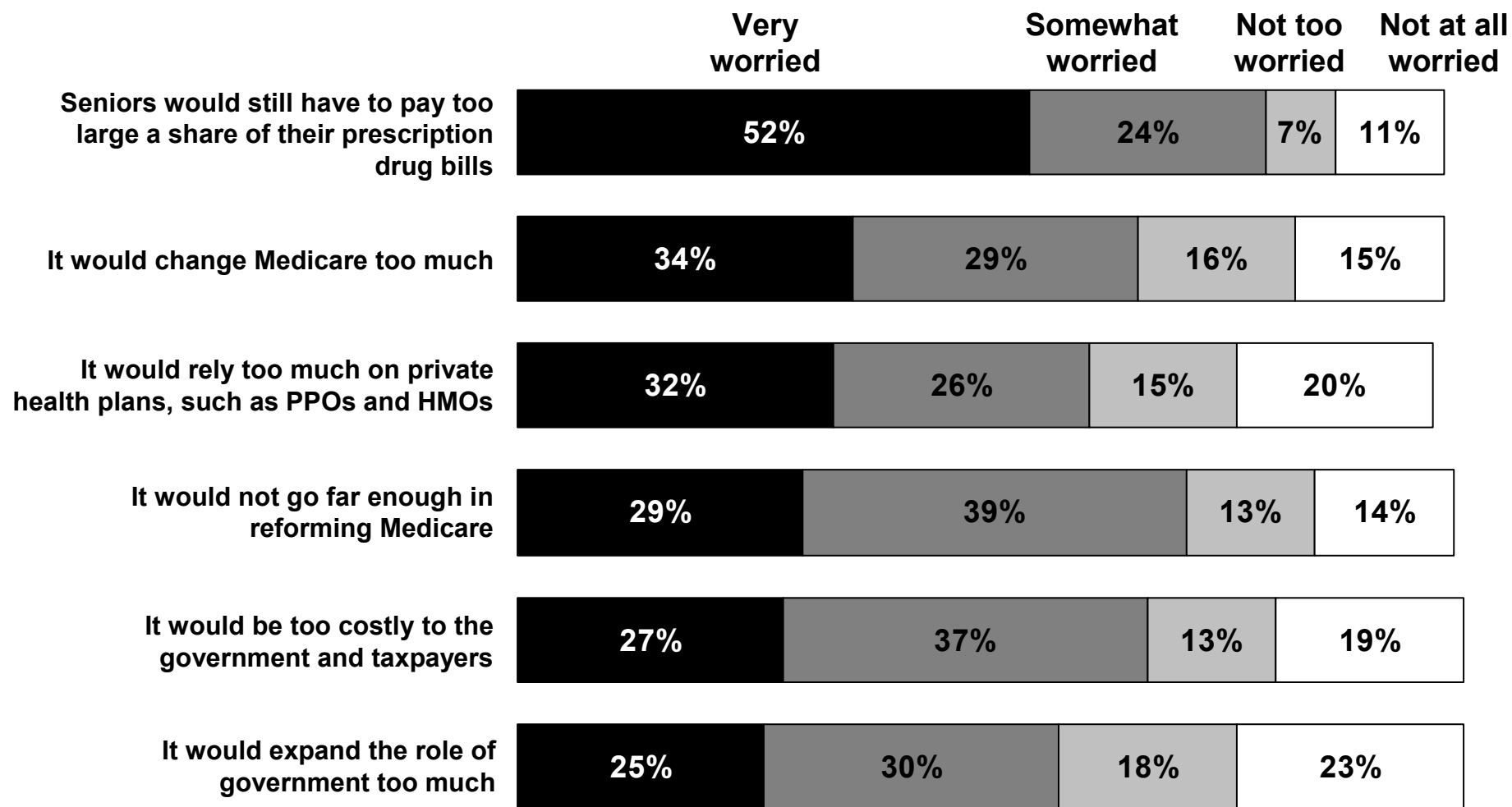


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Chart 2

Seniors' Worries If Medicare Rx Bill Passes

If Congress passes a Medicare prescription drug bill, how worried would you be about each of the following? (AMONG THOSE AGES 65 AND OLDER)



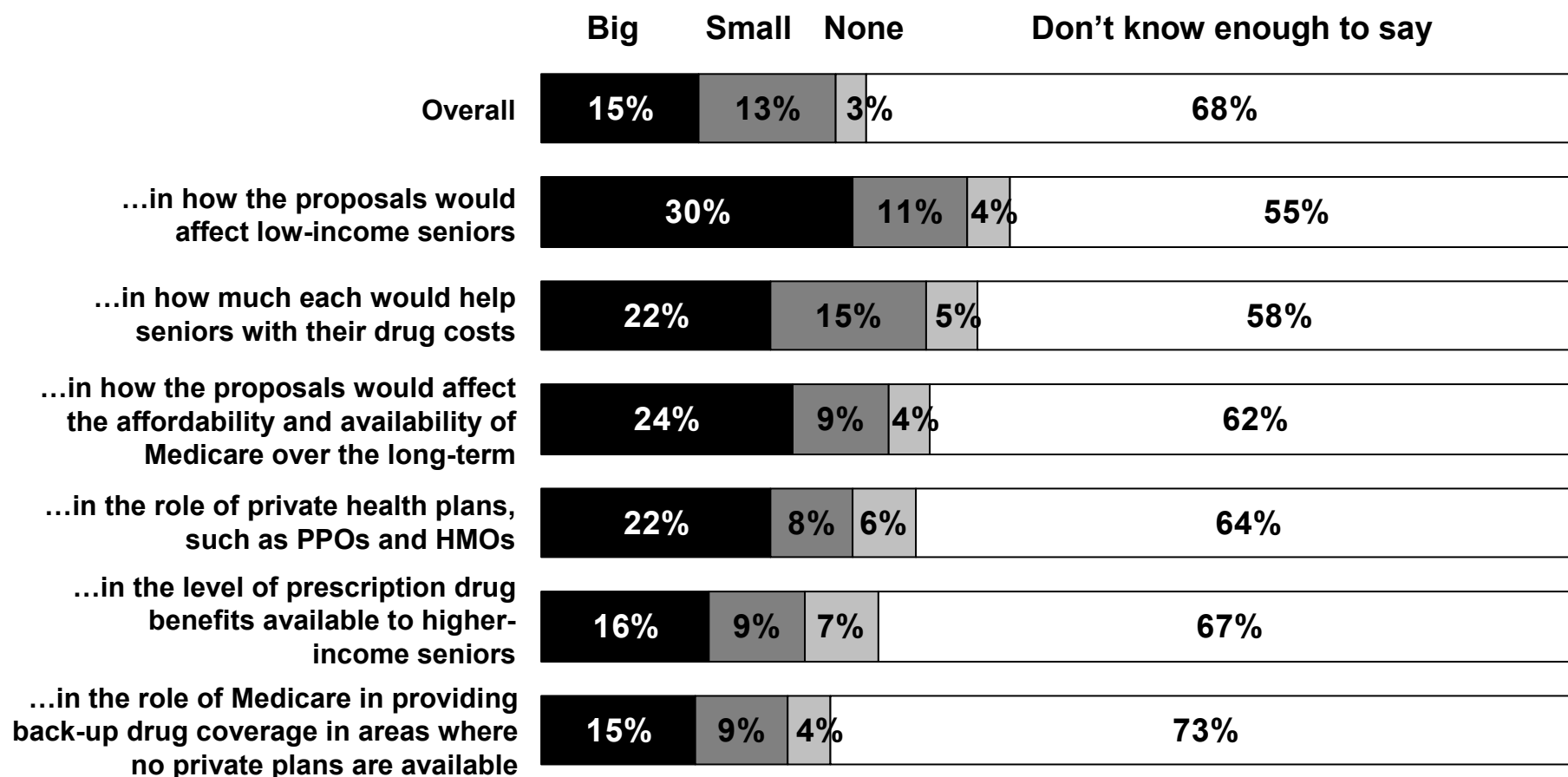
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Chart 3

Seniors' Perception of Differences Between Plans

As you may know, the Senate and the House have each passed separate versions of a bill that would add a prescription drug benefit to Medicare. Based on your general impressions of the bills, do you think there are big differences, small differences, or no differences between the House and Senate bills..., or don't you know enough to say? (AMONG THOSE AGES 65 AND OLDER)

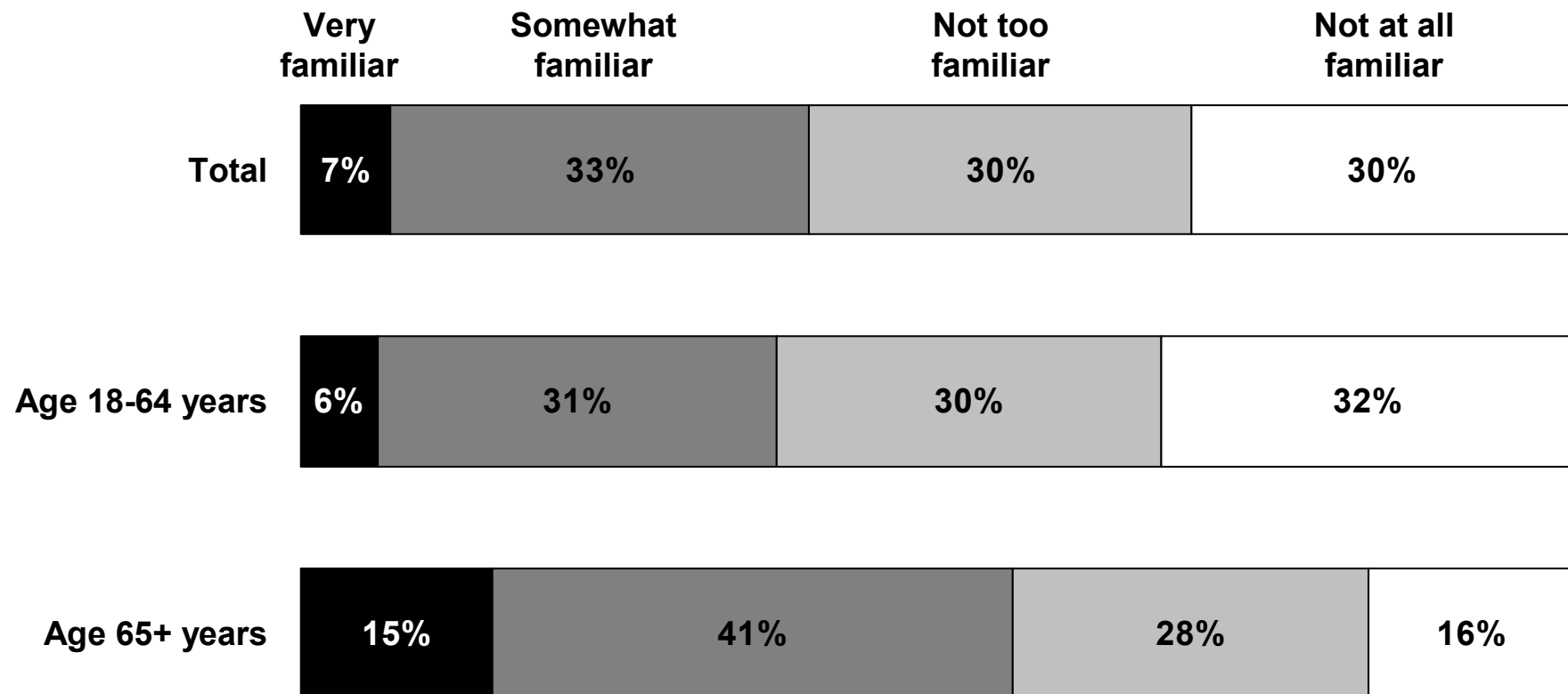


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Chart 4

Familiarity with Medicare Prescription Drug Proposals

How familiar are you with the various proposals being discussed in Congress that would help seniors pay for prescription drugs?

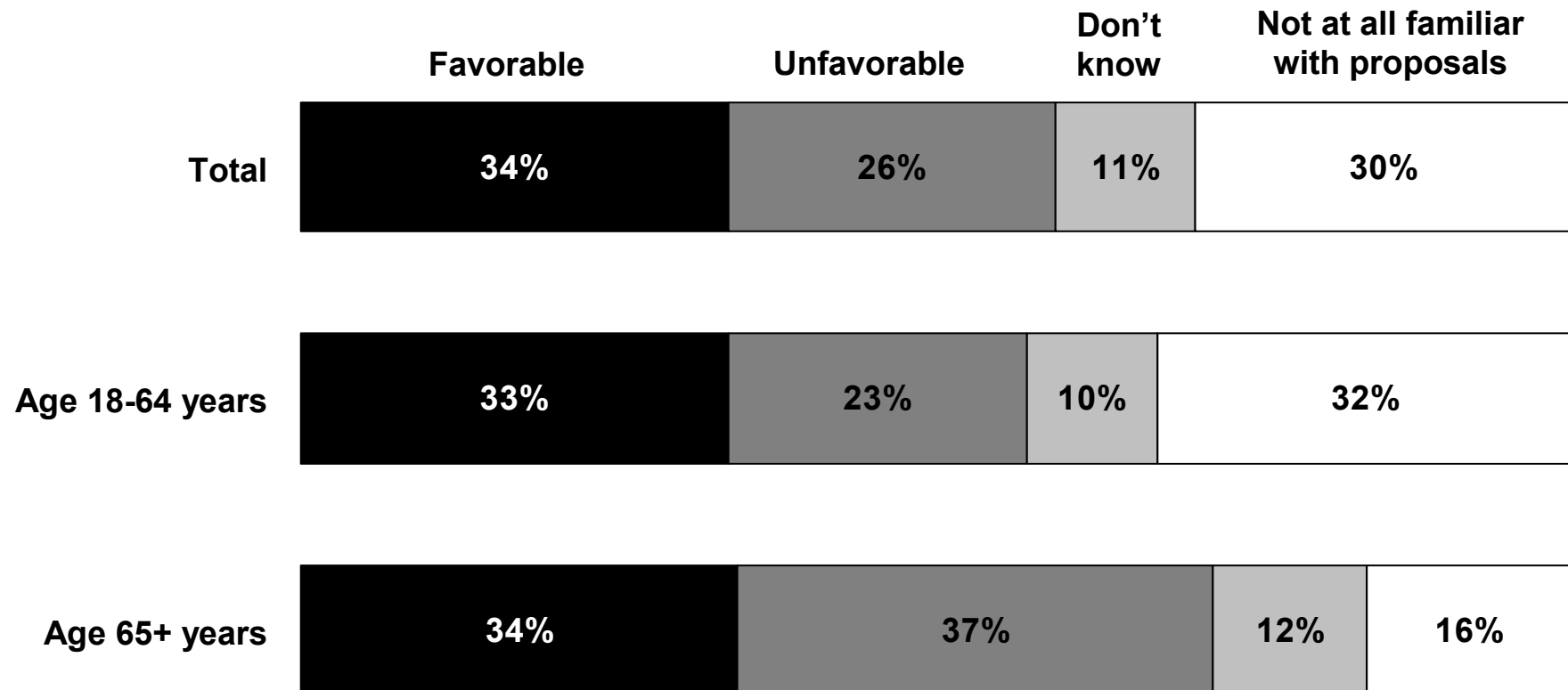


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Chart 5

Impressions of Medicare Prescription Drug Proposals

In general, do you have a favorable or unfavorable impression of the Medicare prescription drug proposals being discussed in Congress?

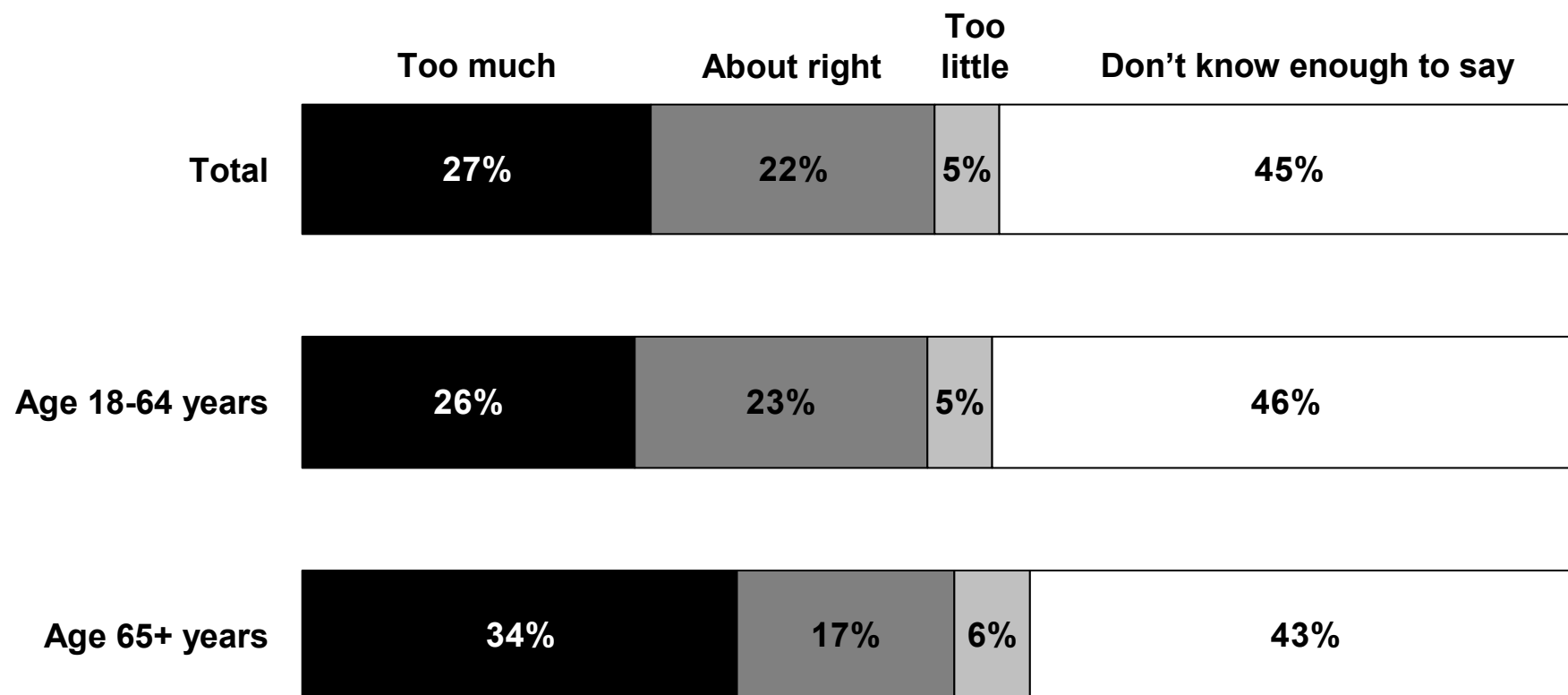


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Chart 6

Assessment of Prescription Drug Premium

As you may know, under the drug benefit proposals that are being debated in Congress, seniors would pay a premium for their drug coverage of about \$35 per month when the program goes into effect in 2006, in addition to their regular monthly Medicare premium of \$72 in that year. Would you say the proposed prescription drug premium is...

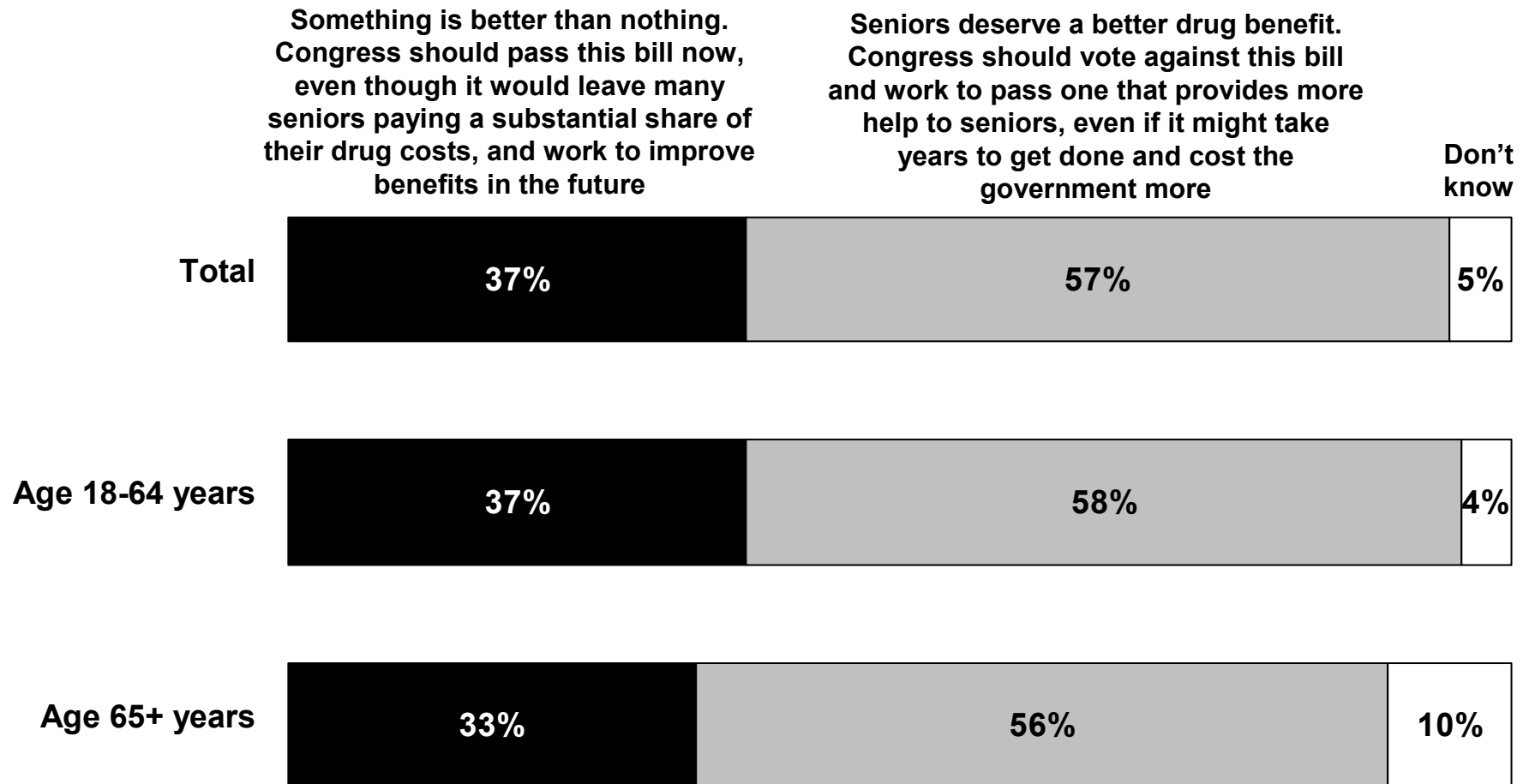


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Chart 7

Arguments: Should Congress Enact Legislation Now?

The proposals being debated would spend \$400 billion over 10 years to help seniors pay for prescription drugs, but many seniors would still pay more than half their total drug bills themselves. Which comes closer to your view of what Congress should do?

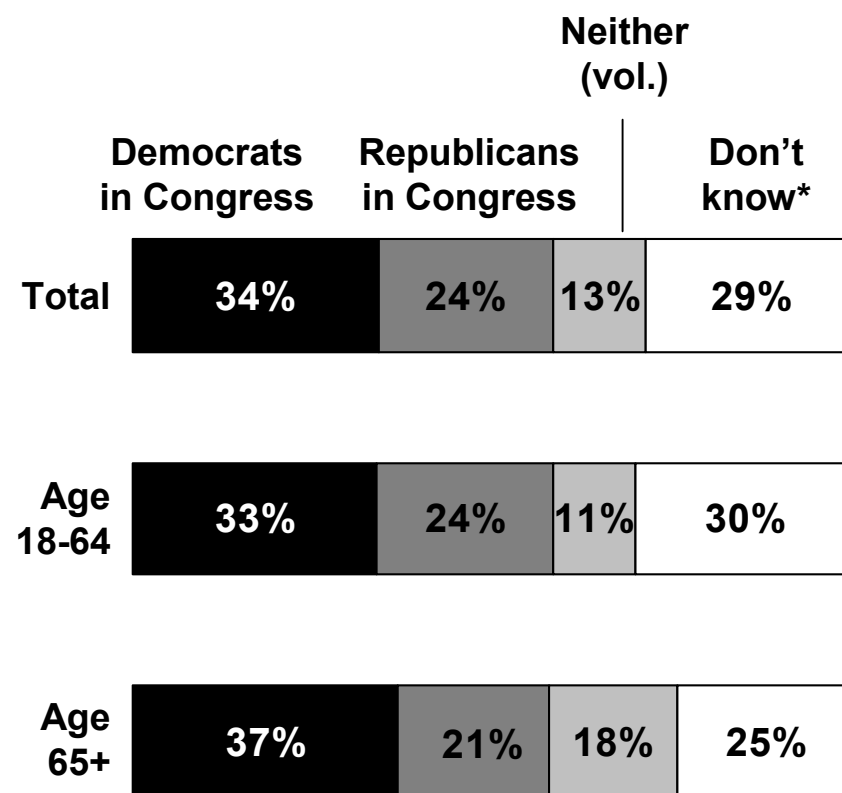
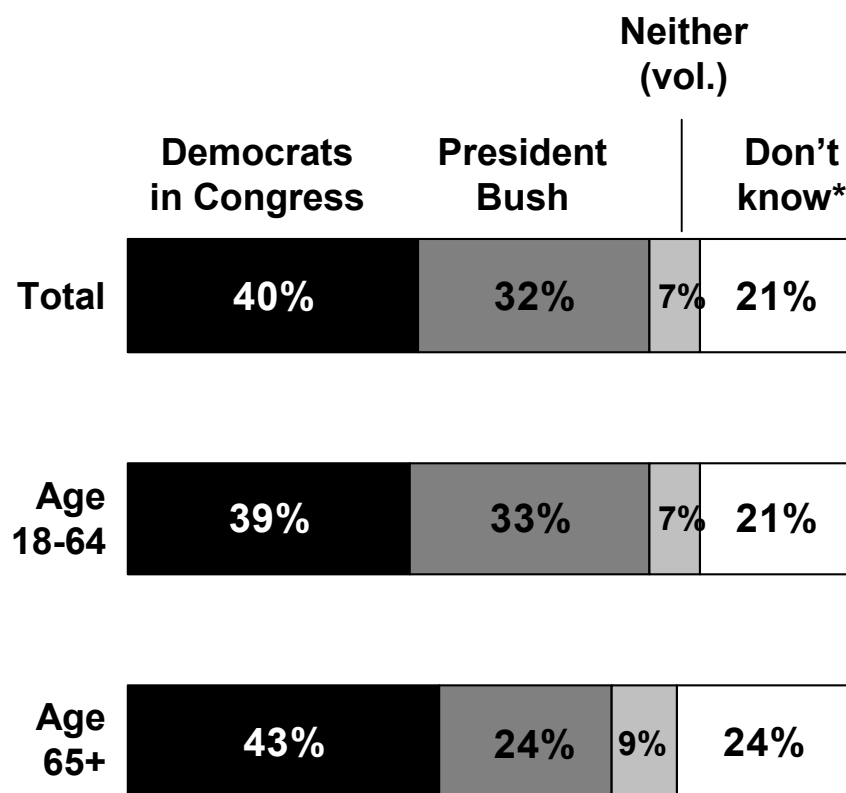


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Chart 8

Who Does a Better Job Handling the Issue?

Who do you think is doing a better job handling the Medicare prescription drug issue today?



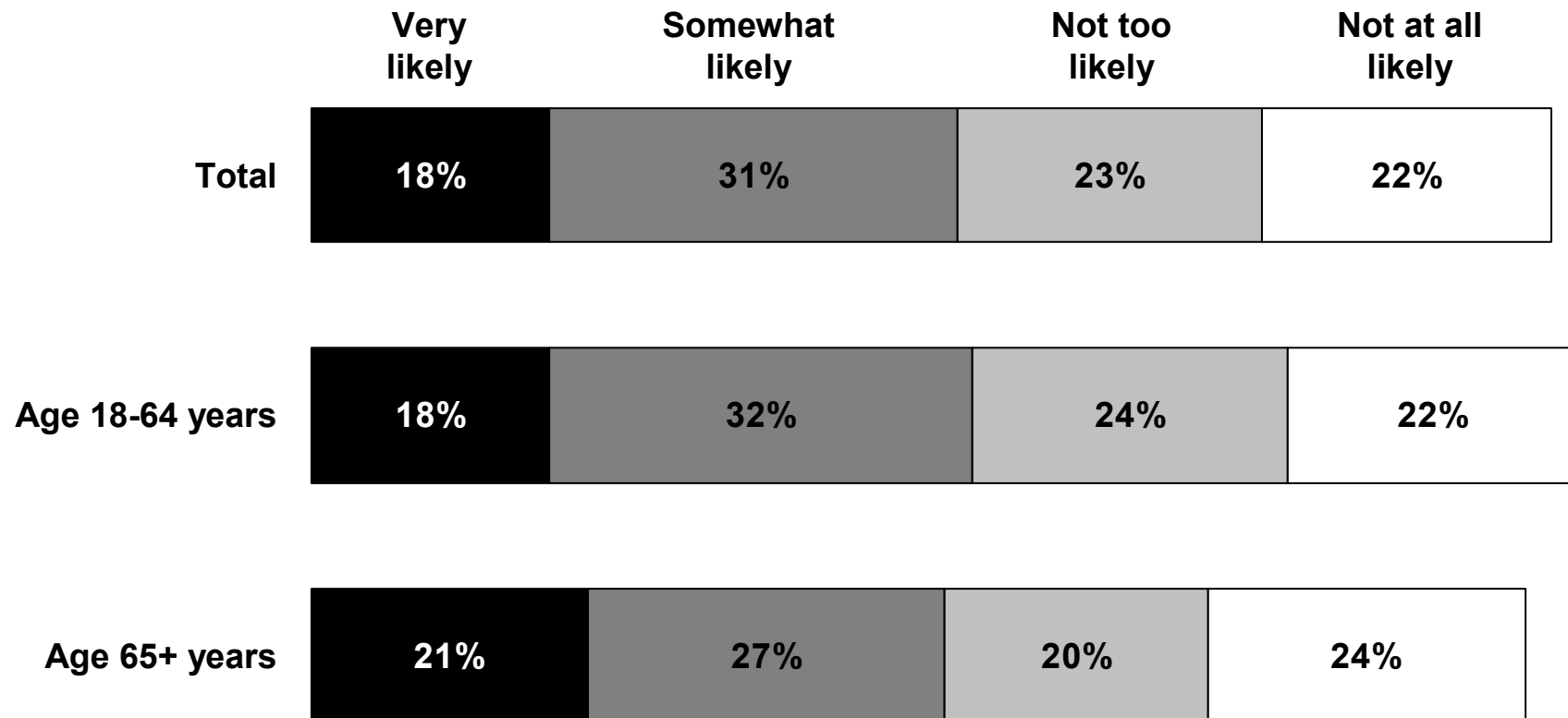
*Note: Percent volunteering “Both equally” as an answer was 2% or less in all cases, and is included with “Don’t know” answers.

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Chart 9

Potential Impact on Voting

If a candidate were to take a stand on Medicare prescription drugs that was different from your own, how likely would this be to make you vote against that candidate?



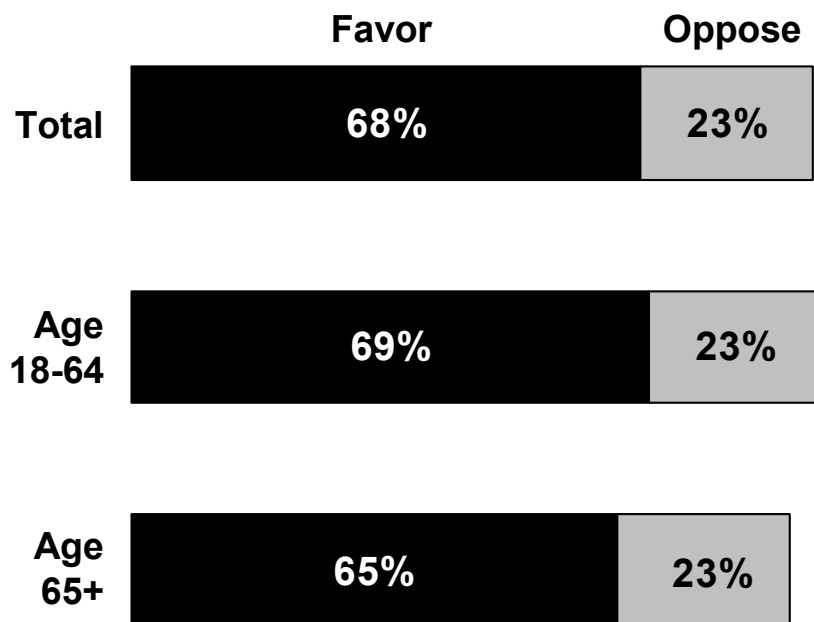
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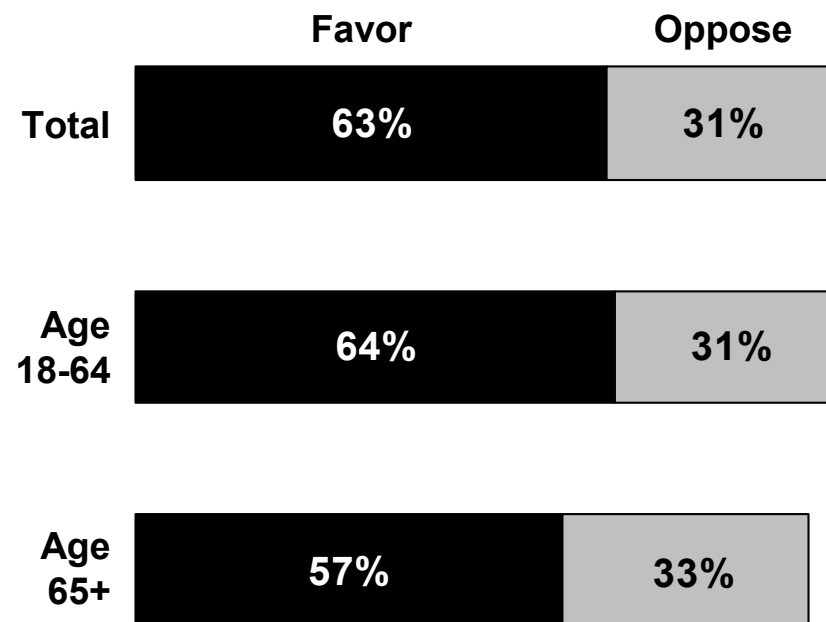
Chart 10

Support for Prescription Drug Importation

Do you favor or oppose the federal government making it easier for people to buy prescription drugs from Canada?



Proponents of this proposal say that it will enable many people to purchase prescription drugs at lower prices. Opponents say that it could lead to unsafe drugs being imported into the country. After hearing these arguments, do you now favor or oppose the federal government making it easier for people to buy prescription drugs from Canada?



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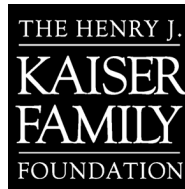
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