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Selected Findings from the *Kaiser Health Poll Report Survey*

The Public's Views on the Response to Hurricane Katrina

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Methodology

The Kaiser Family Foundation *Health Poll Report Survey* was conducted and analyzed by researchers at the Kaiser Family Foundation. A nationally representative sample of 1,217 adults ages 18 and older was contacted by telephone by Princeton Survey Research Associates International between June 12 and June 19, 2006. Interviews were conducted in English and Spanish.

The margin of sampling error for the survey is plus or minus 3 percentage points for total respondents. For results based on smaller subsets of respondents the margin of sampling error is higher. Note that sampling error is only one of many potential sources of error in this or any other public opinion poll.

Values less than 0.5% are indicated by an asterisk (*). “VOL” indicates that a response was volunteered by respondent, not an explicitly offered choice.

Chart 1

Thoughts About Hurricane Katrina

How often do you think about Hurricane Katrina and its aftermath?

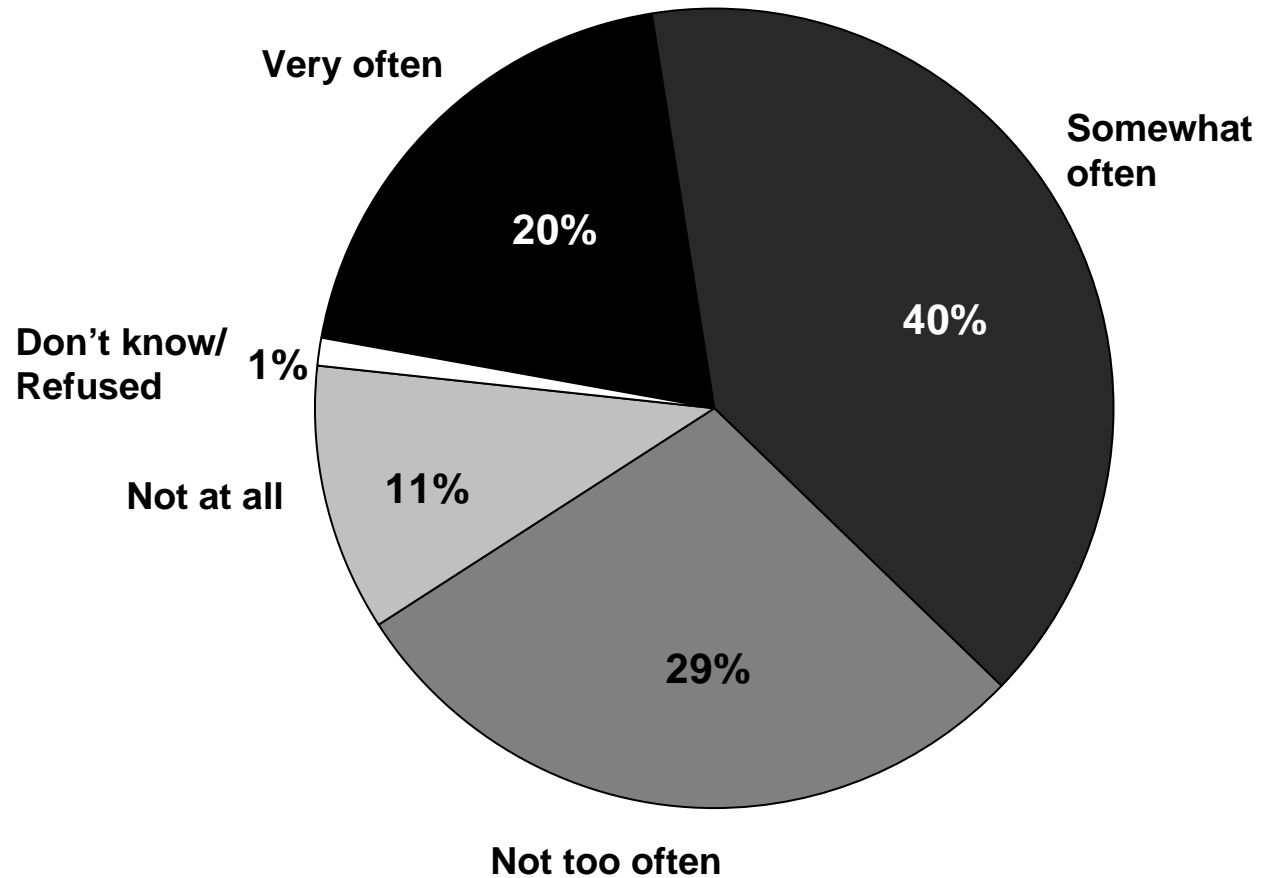


Chart 2

Have Individuals Gotten the Help they Need?

Do you think that by now, most people affected by Hurricane Katrina have gotten the help they need with housing, health care, and restoring their lives, or do you think that most people affected by the hurricane have NOT gotten the help they need?

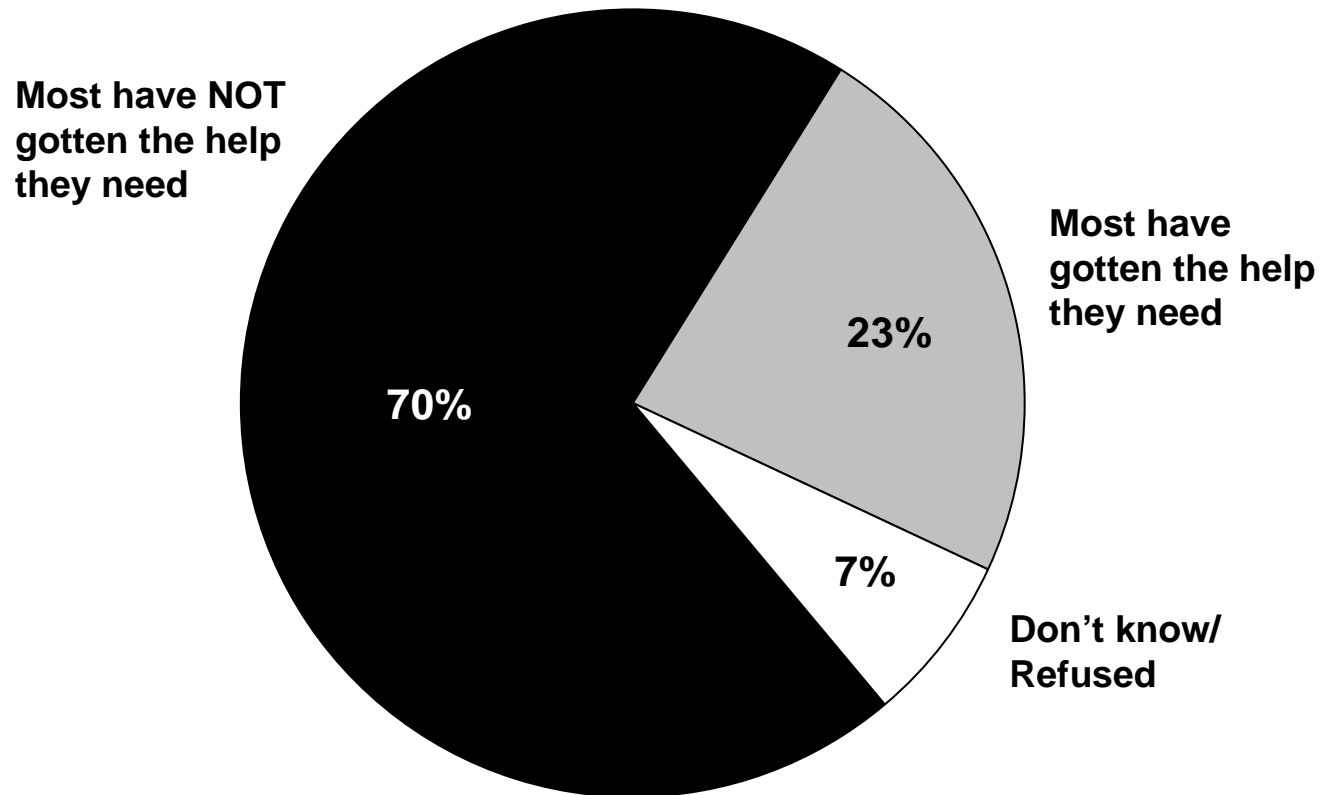


Chart 3

Have Local Governments Gotten the Help they Need?

Do you think that the state and local governments in the areas affected by Hurricane Katrina have gotten the help they need from the federal government to restore services and infrastructure, or do you think the federal government has NOT done enough to help state and local governments in the affected areas?

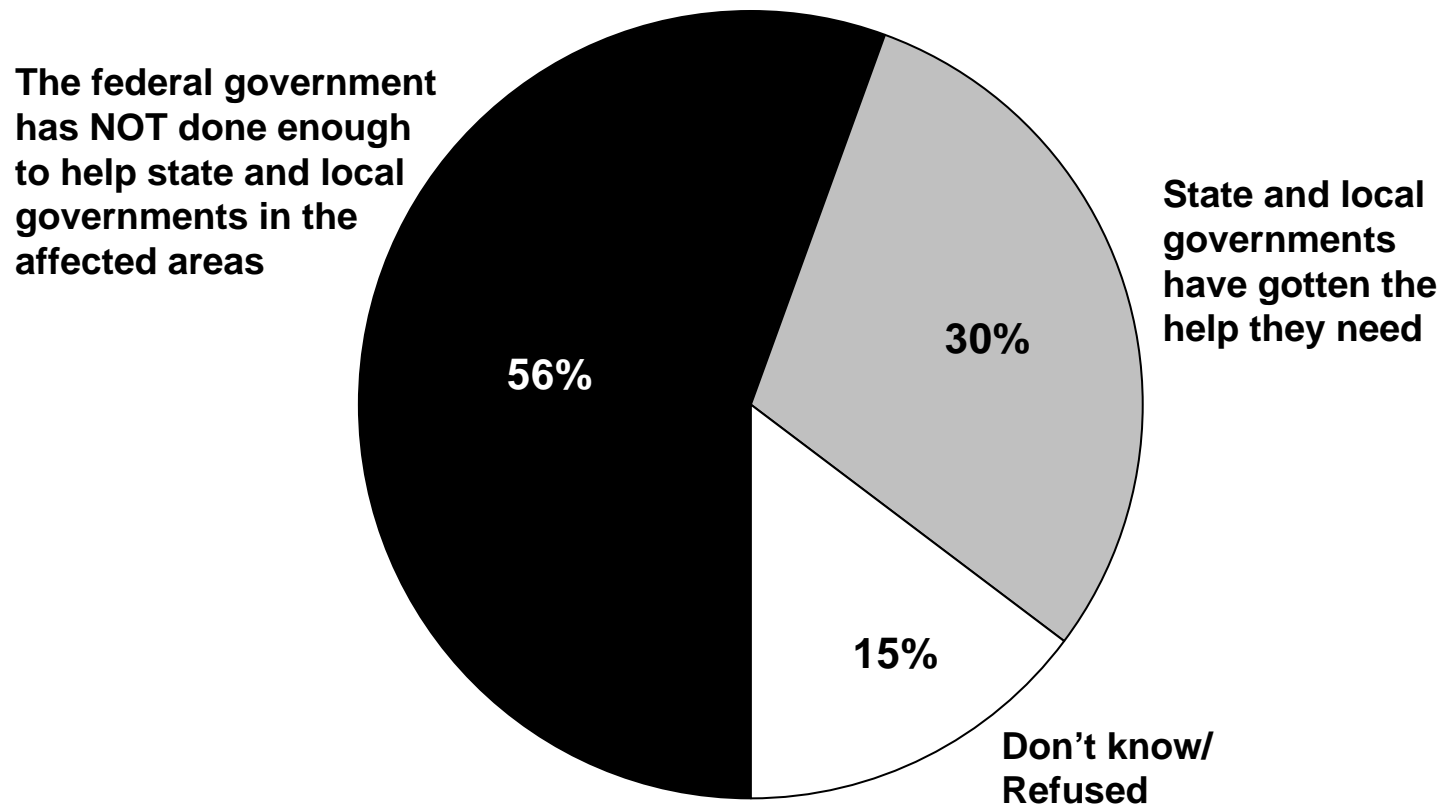


Chart 4

Beliefs about Current Status of New Orleans

Now thinking specifically about New Orleans, which of the following do you think best describes the situation in New Orleans today?

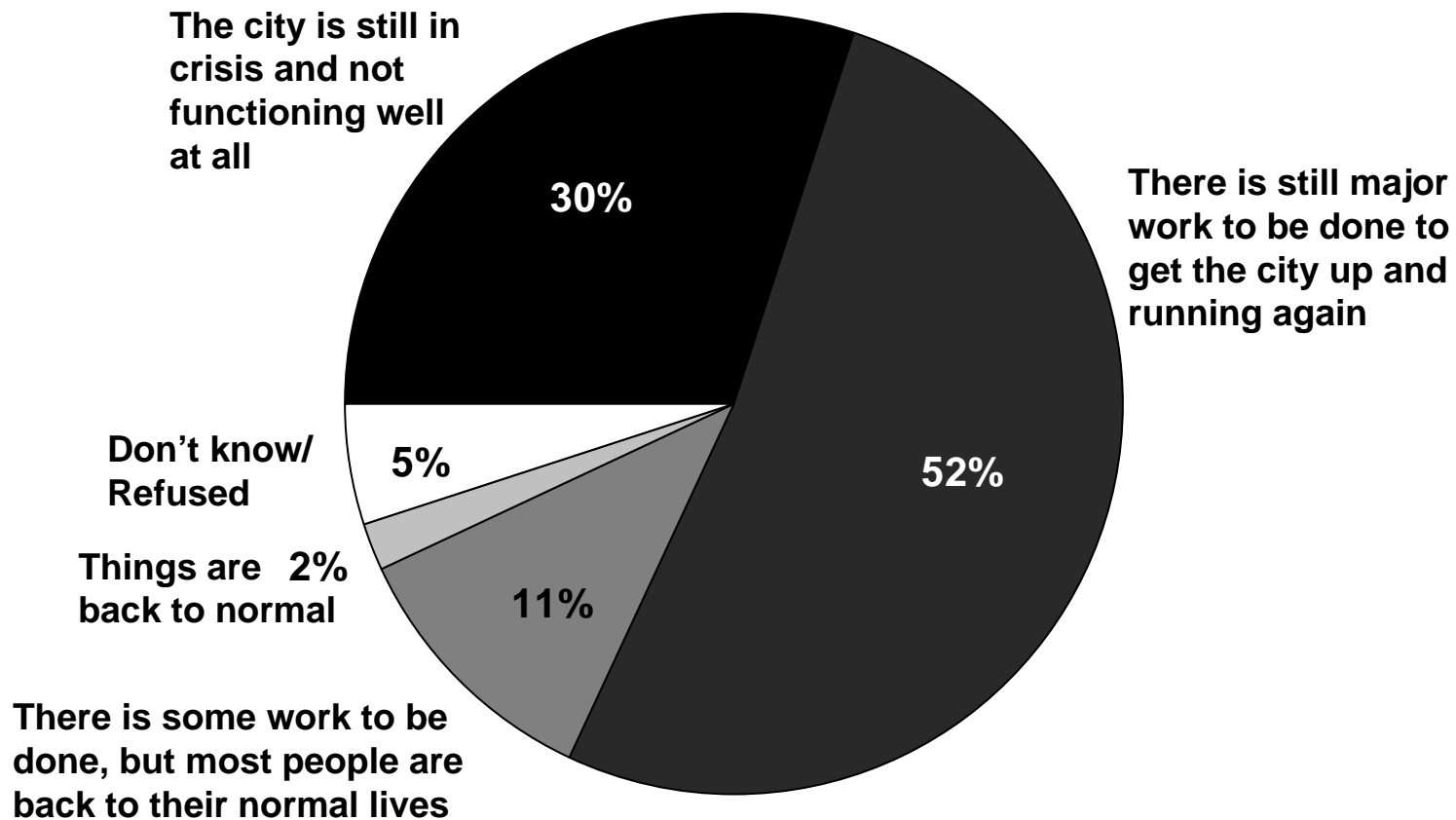


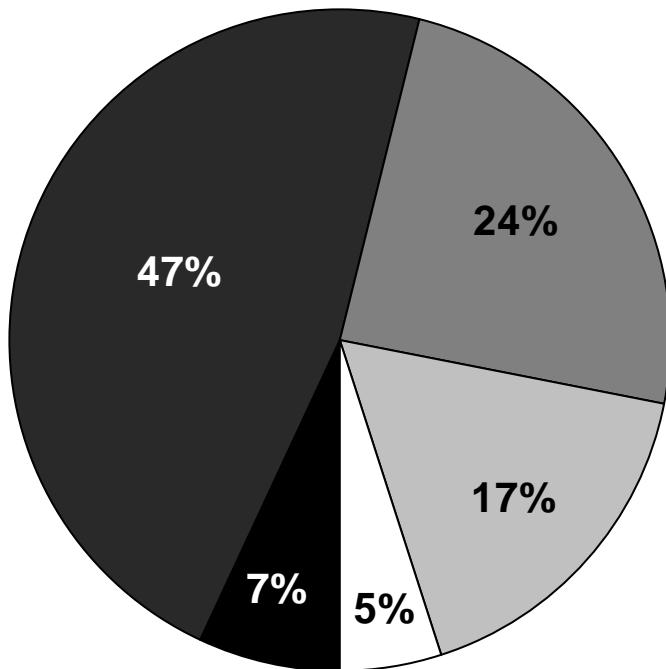
Chart 5

Views on Government's Preparedness

How prepared do you think each of the following is to deal with this year's hurricane season?

- Very prepared
- Somewhat prepared
- Not too prepared
- Not at all prepared
- Don't know

State and local government officials



Federal government officials

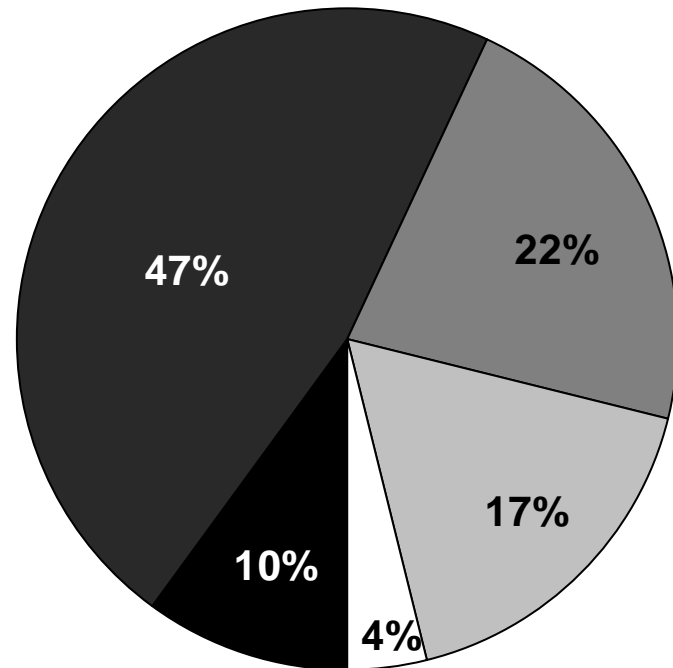
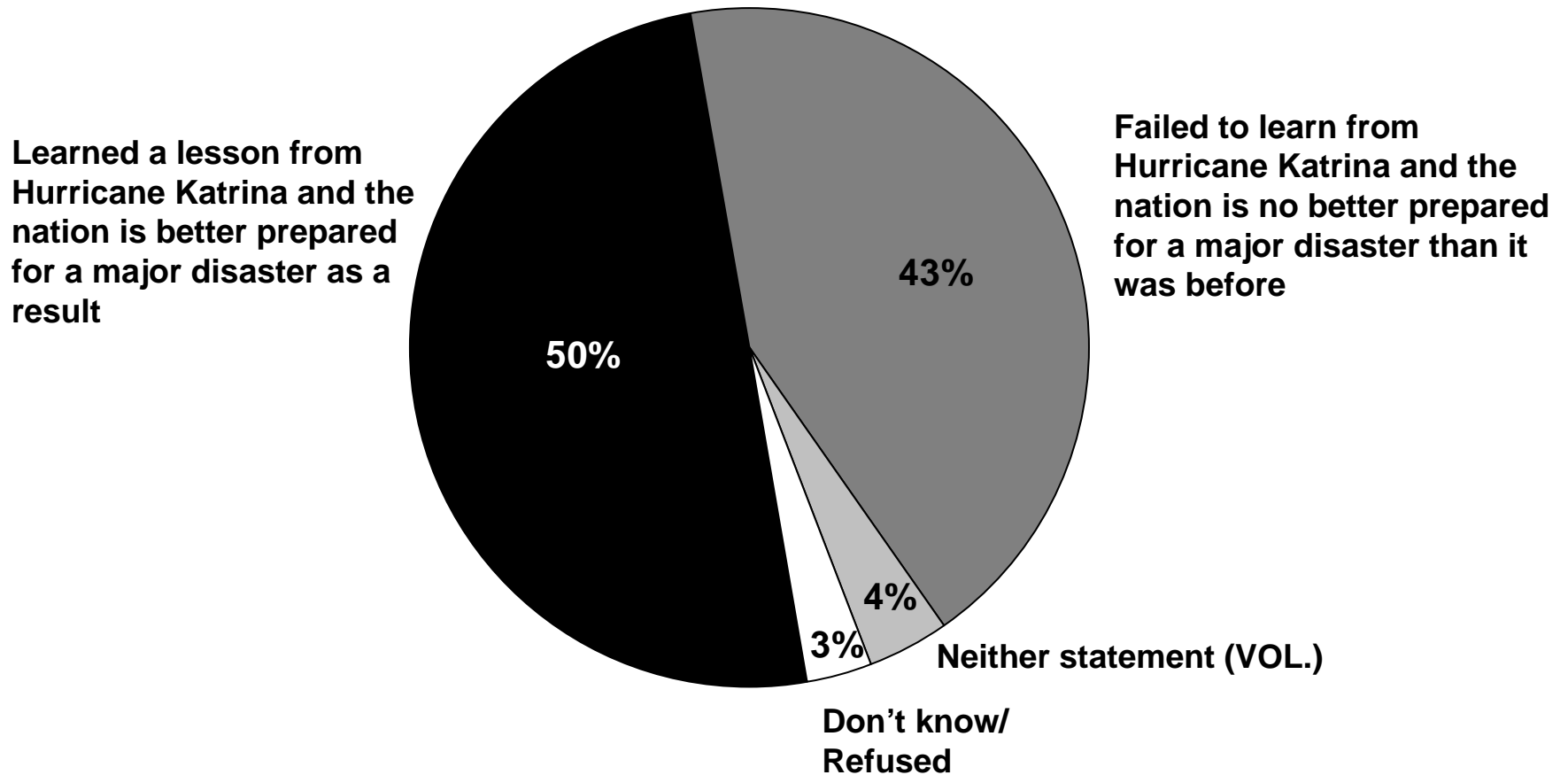


Chart 6

Has the Federal Government Learned a Lesson?

Which of the following comes closer to your view? The federal government...



Note: "VOL." indicates a volunteered response

Source: Kaiser Family Foundation *Health Poll Report Survey* (conducted June 12-19, 2006)

Chart 7

Impact on Confidence in Government

Did the government's handling of Hurricane Katrina have a positive impact, a negative impact, or no impact on your confidence in government overall?

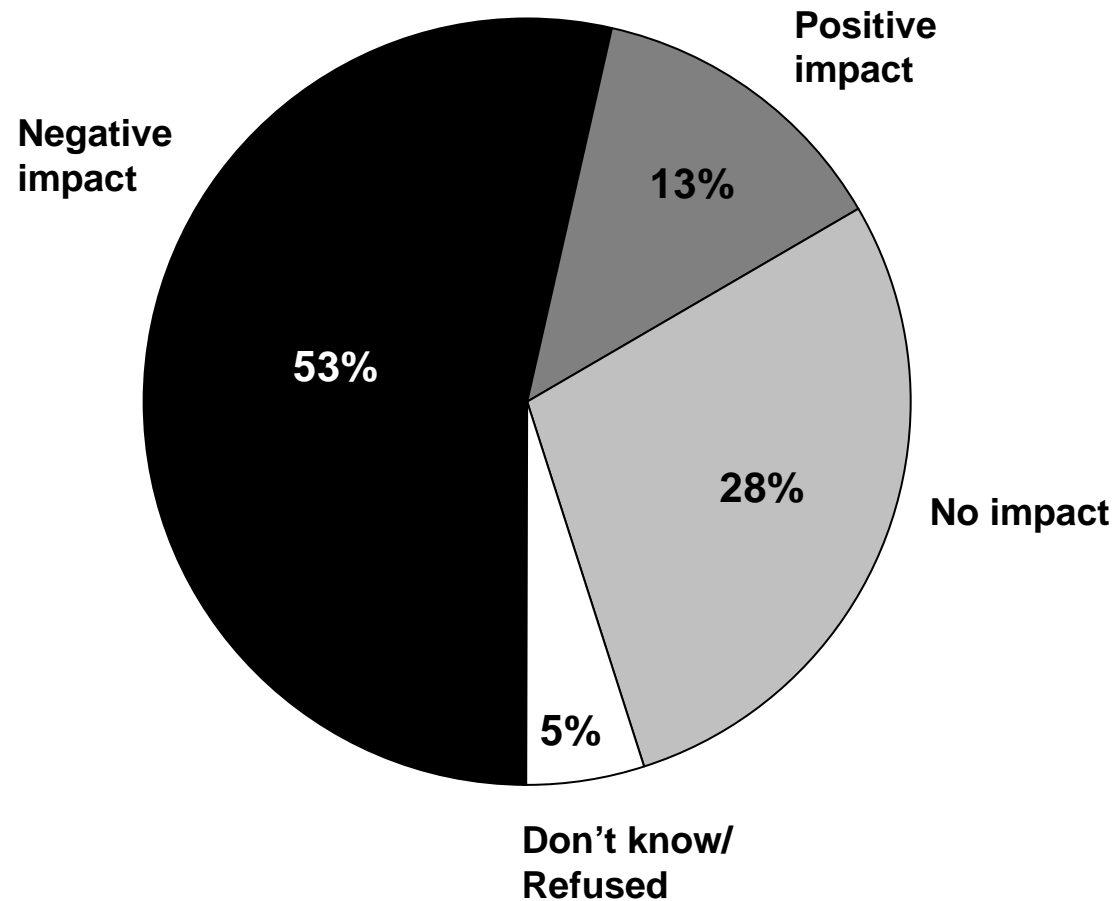
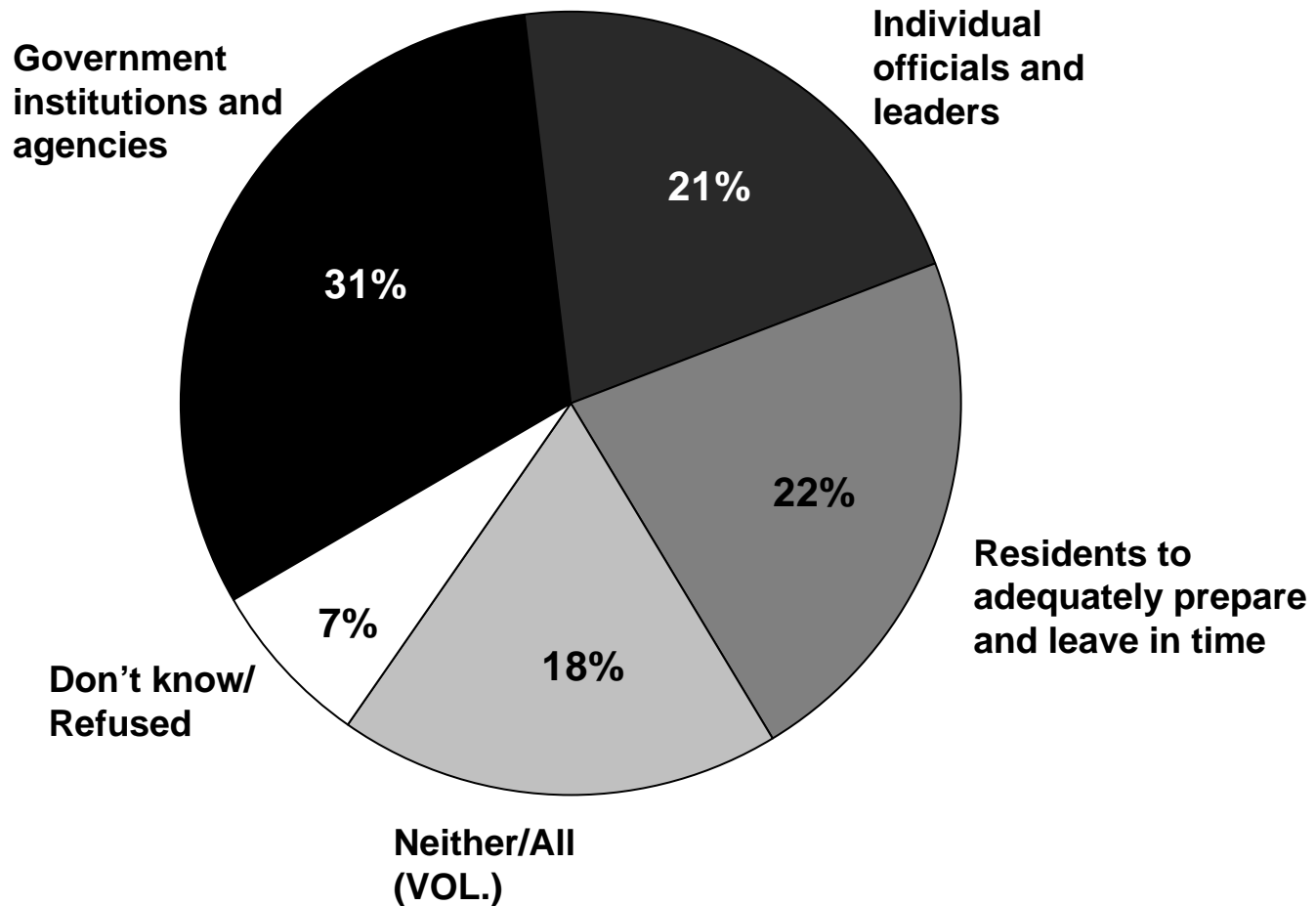


Chart 8

Accountability for Failures in Response?

Would you say that the failures in the response to Hurricane Katrina were mostly failures of...



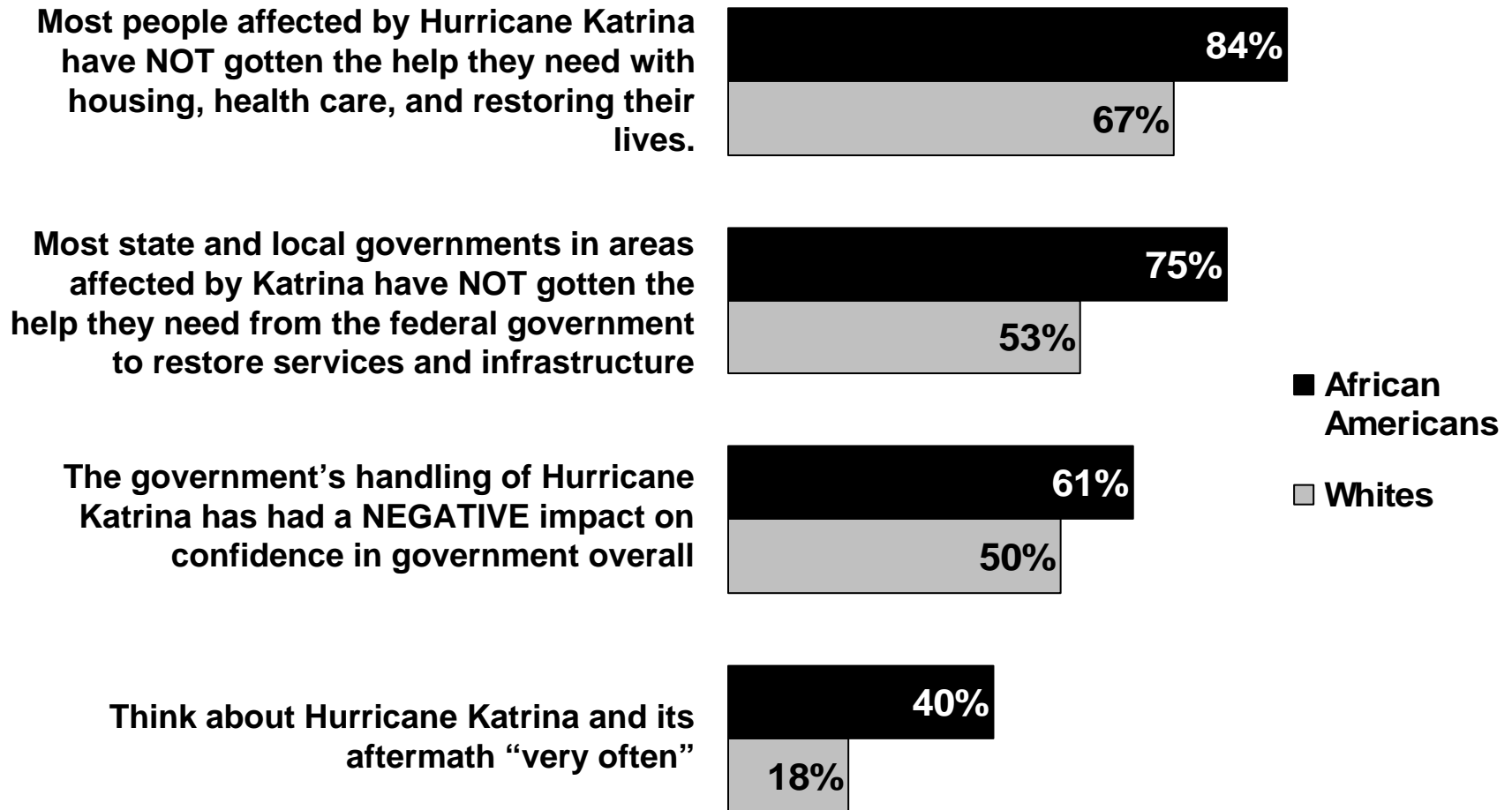
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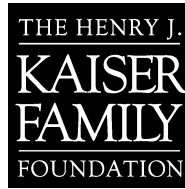
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Chart 9

Differences by Race

Percent who say each of the following by race...





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