

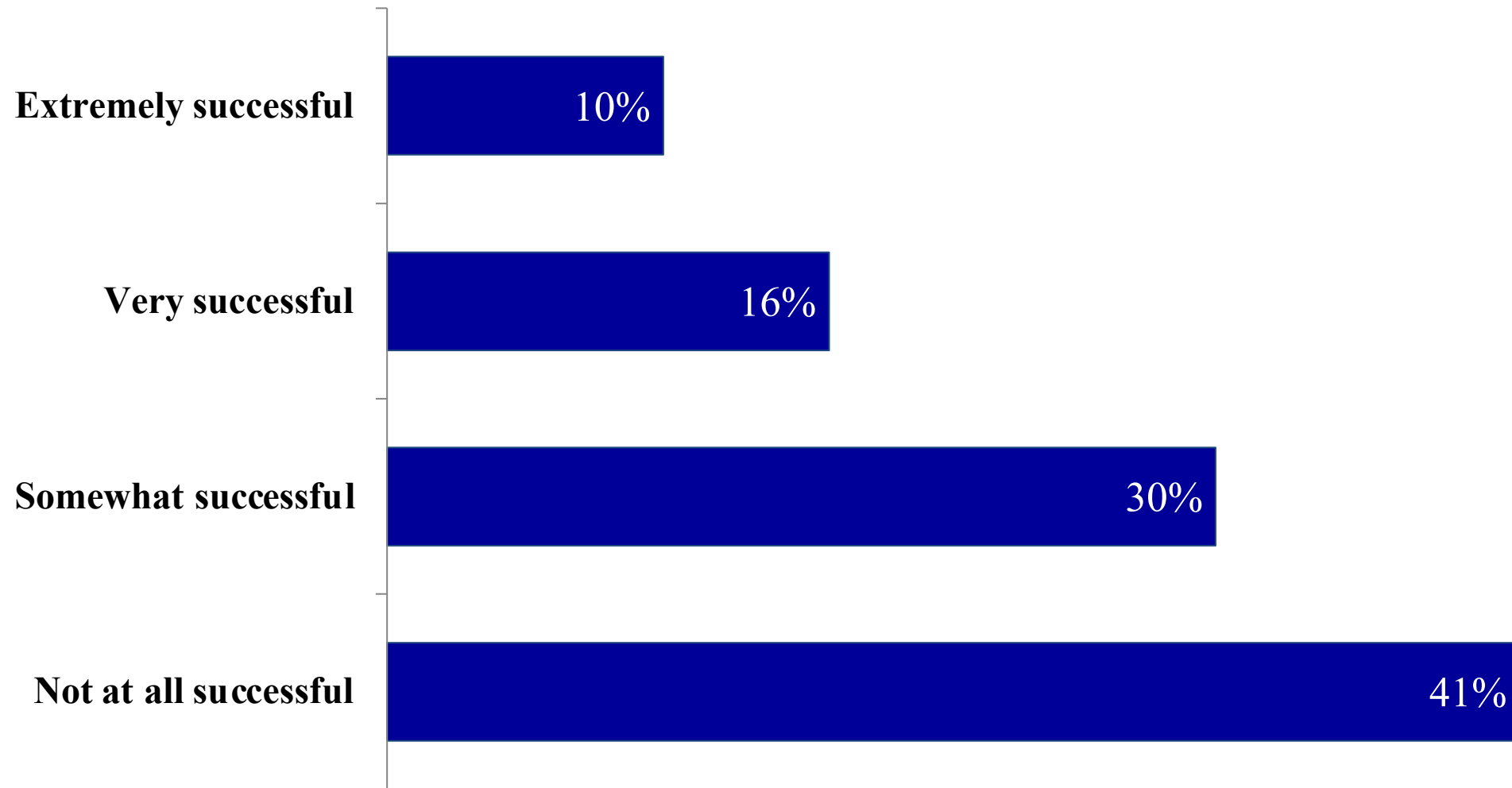


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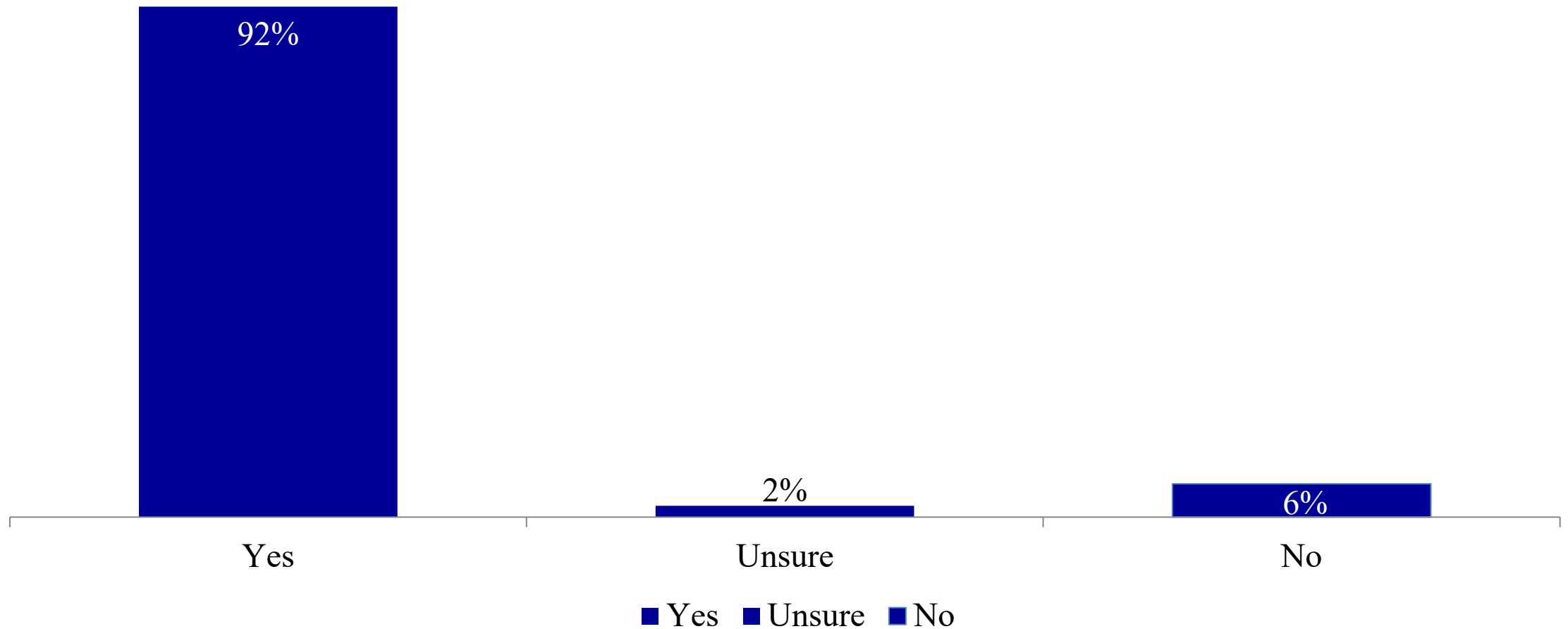
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A national survey of 800 Registered “likely” Voters

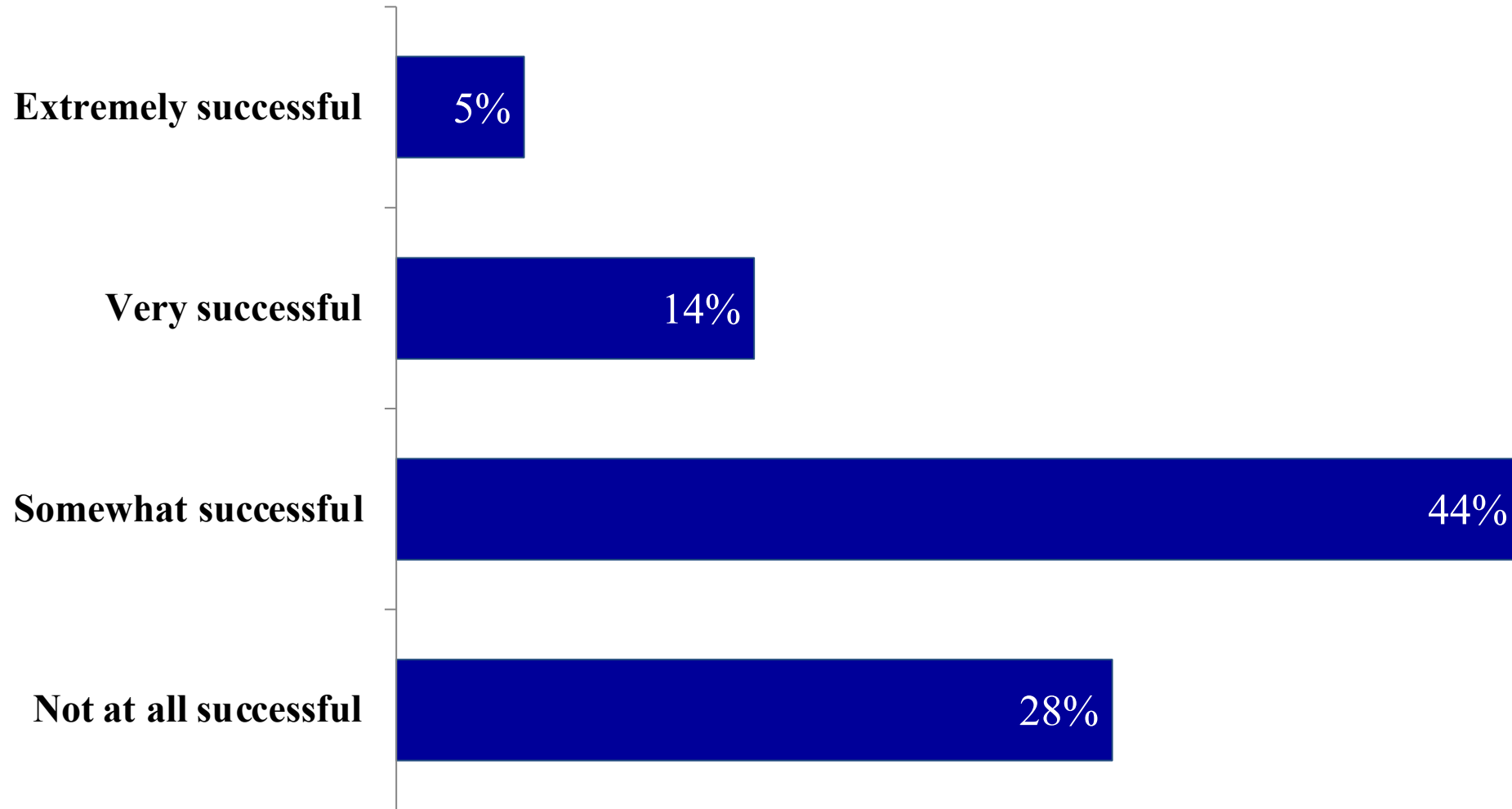
How successful do you think Joe Biden will be in this effort to restore unity and civility to our national politics? Do you think he will be extremely, very, somewhat, or not at all successful?



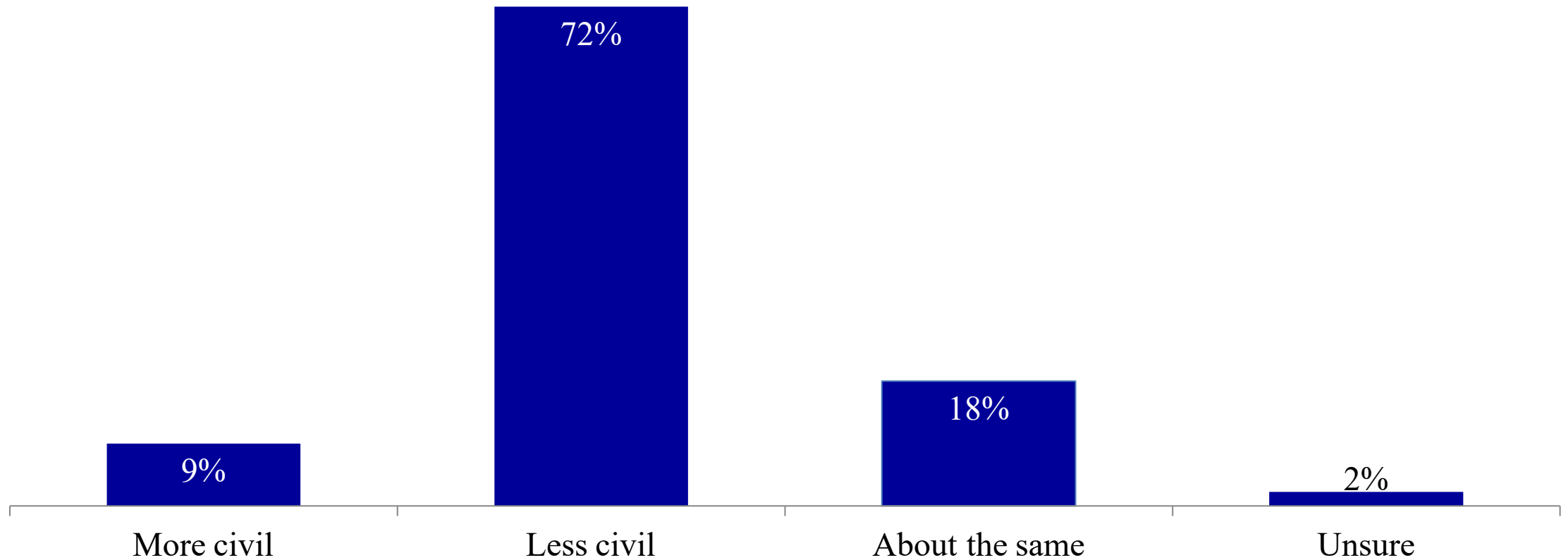
Would you like to see the President and Congress work together more closely to solve important problems facing this country?



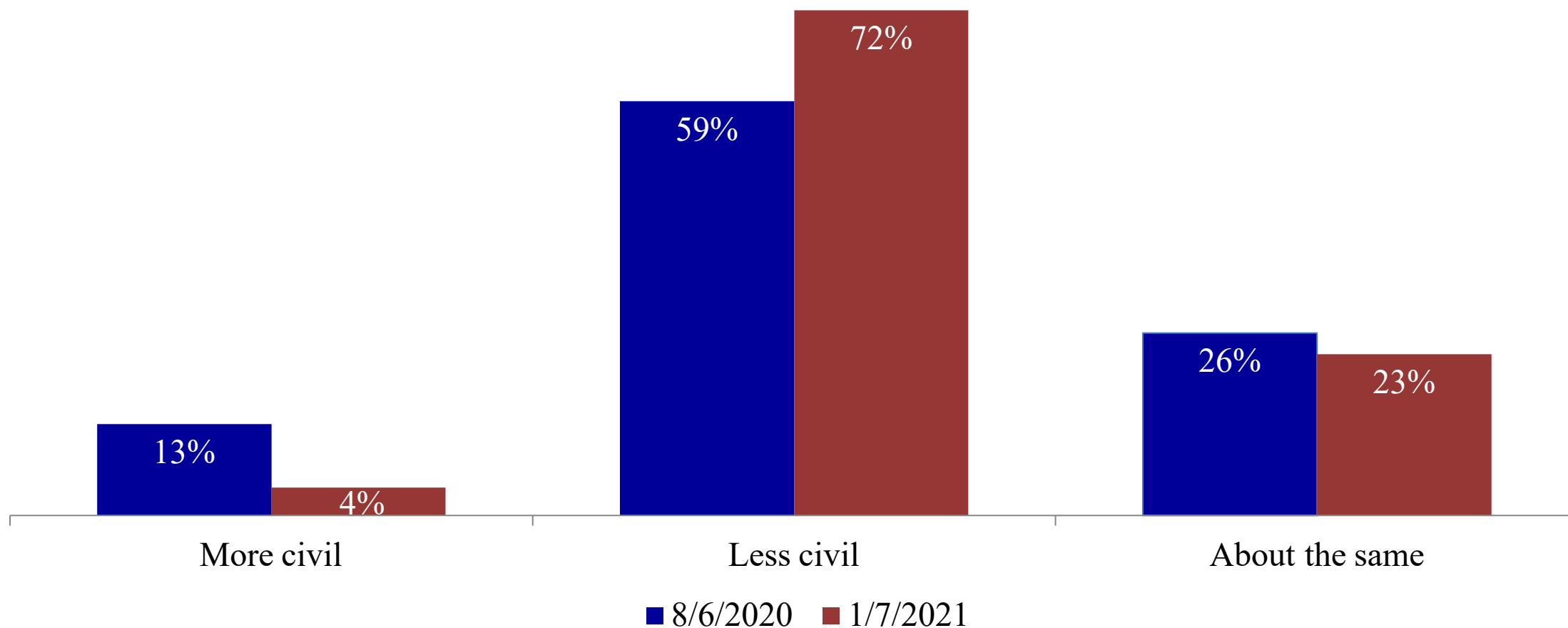
How successful do you think the President and Congress will be in their efforts to work together to solve important problems facing this country? Do you think they will be extremely, very, somewhat, or not at all successful?



**In general, since Donald Trump has become President, do you think politics has been:
More civil, less civil, or about the same since before he became President?**



**In general, since the beginning of the COVID-19 health crisis, do you think politics has been:
More civil, less civil, or about the same since the advent of the COVID-19 health crisis?**

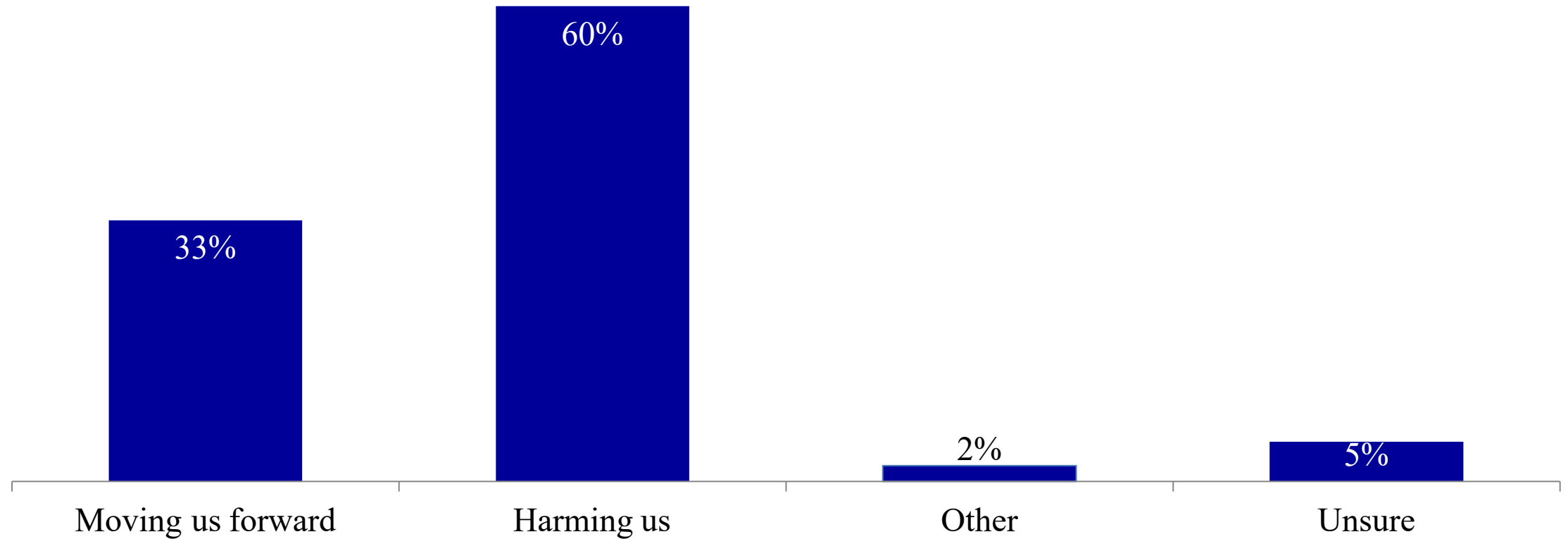


Now I will read you two different statements. After hearing both, please tell me which statement comes closer to your own point of view, even if neither is exactly right.

Donald Trump's recent conduct around the election is moving us forward.

OR

Donald Trump's recent conduct around the election is harming us.



Now I am going to read a list of things that some people say were a problem in the election. Please tell me how big of a problem you think each of the following were on a scale of zero to ten, where ten means an extremely serious problem, zero means not a problem at all, and you can be anywhere in between.

Violence from left wing groups because of election results

Extremely serious problem

27%

Very serious problem

16%

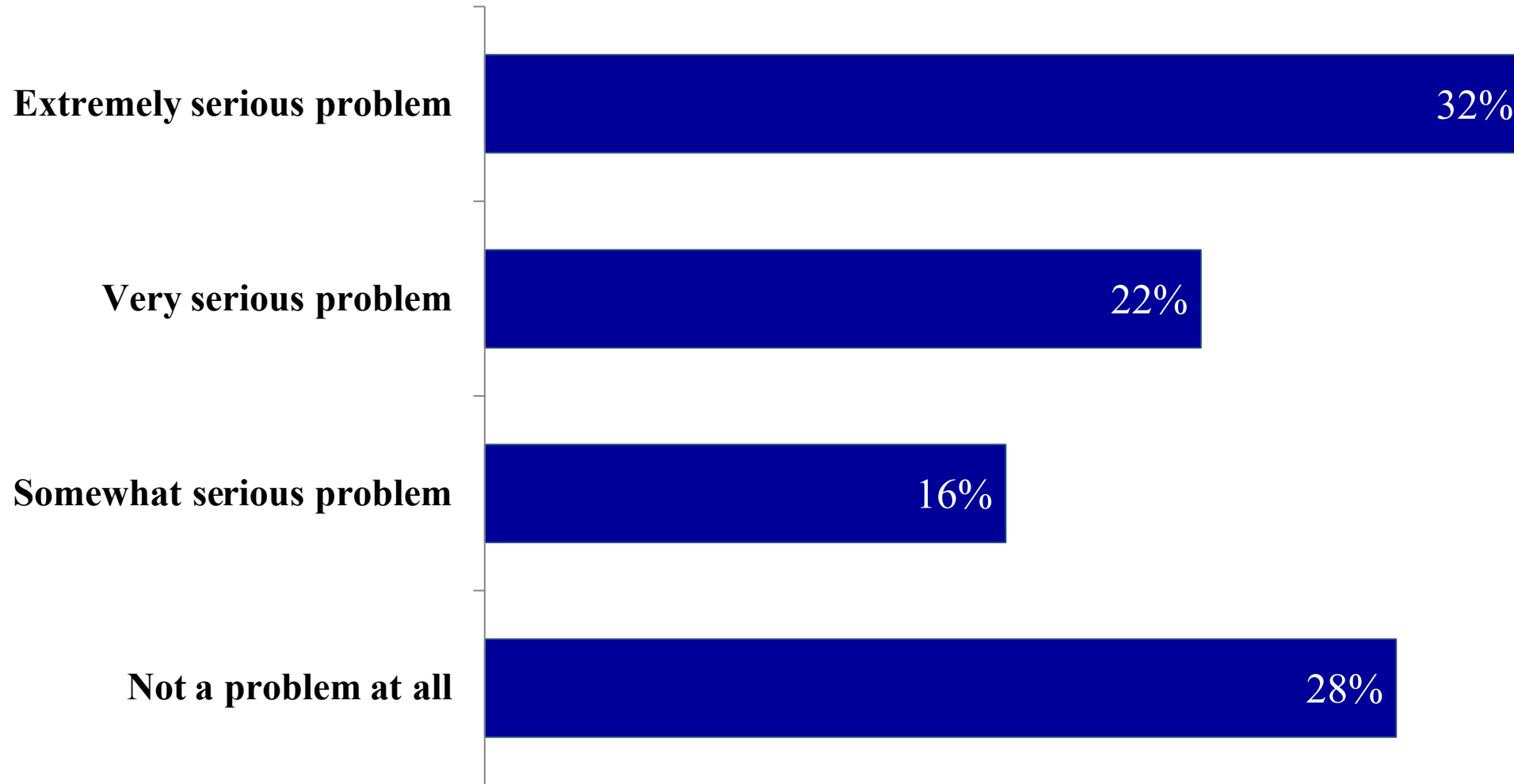
Somewhat serious problem

17%

Not a problem at all

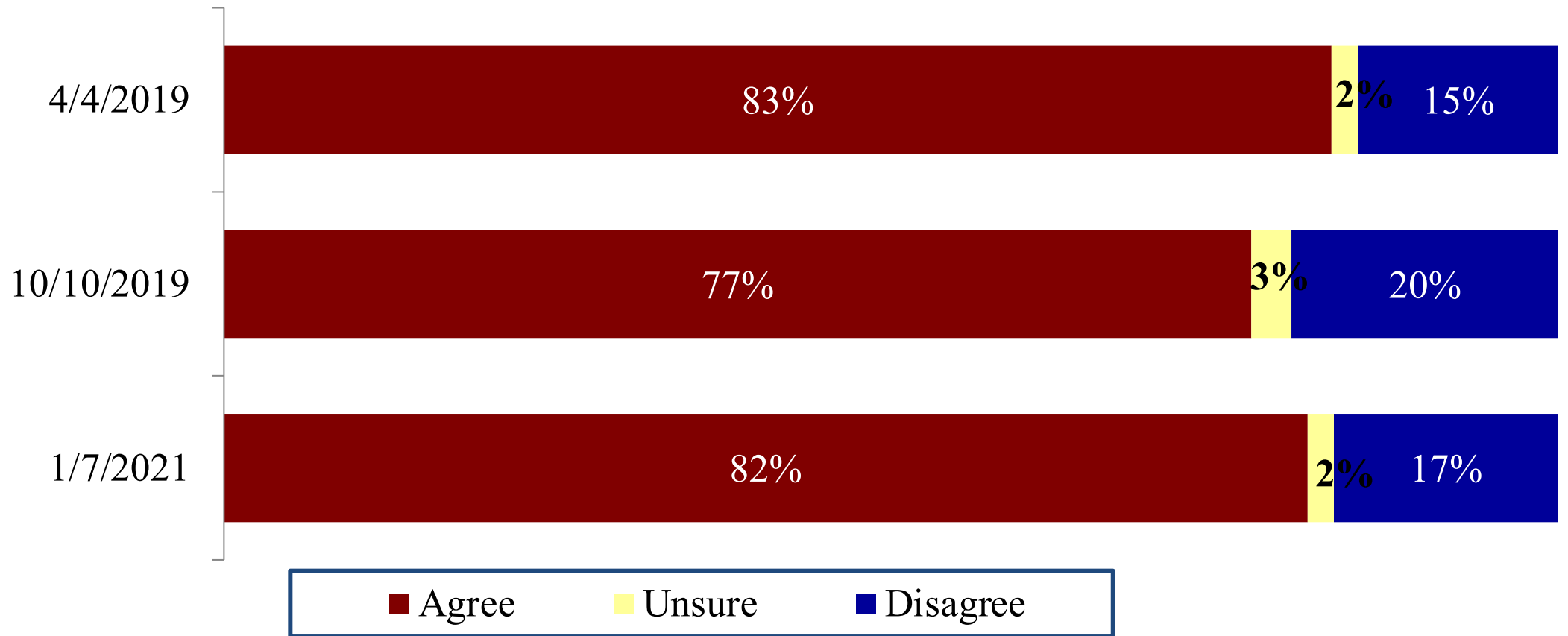
39%

Violence from white nationalist militias because of election results



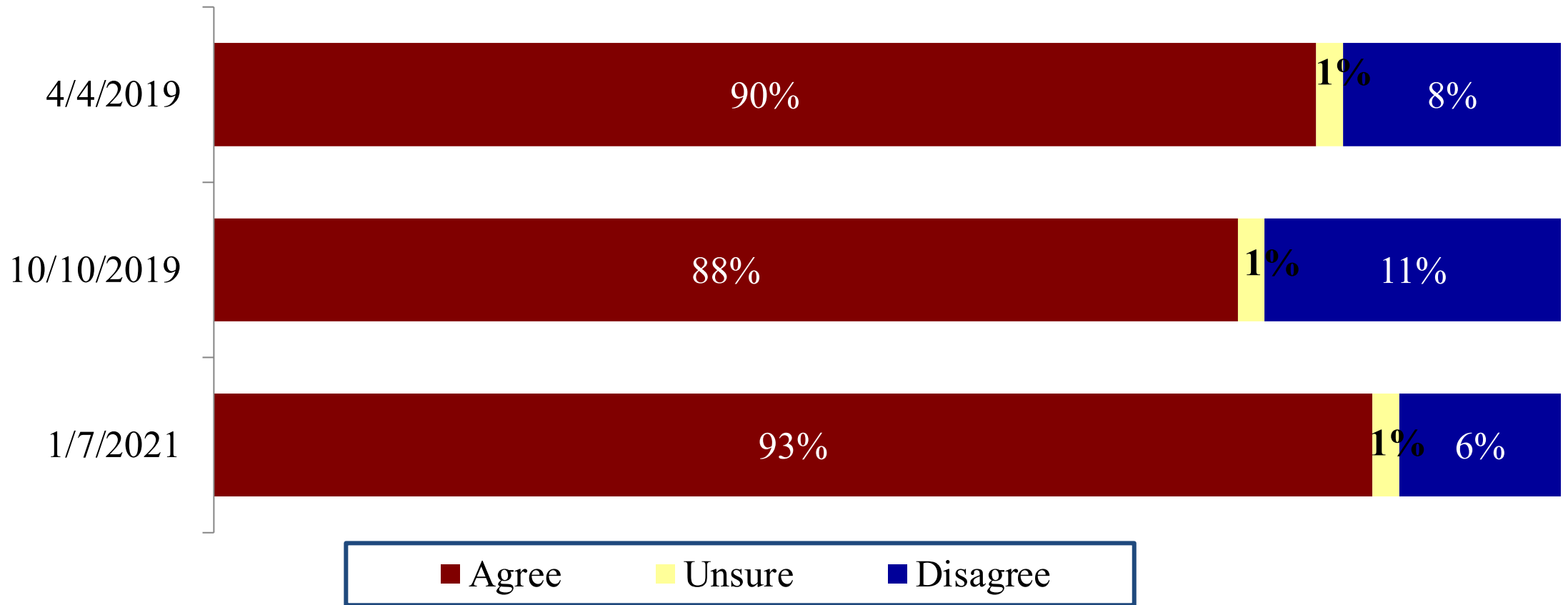
Now, I would like to read you a list of statements that some people have said about American politics today. Please listen carefully as I read each statement and tell me if you would agree or disagree with that particular statement.

The political, racial, and class divisions in this country are getting worse and our national dialogue is breaking down.



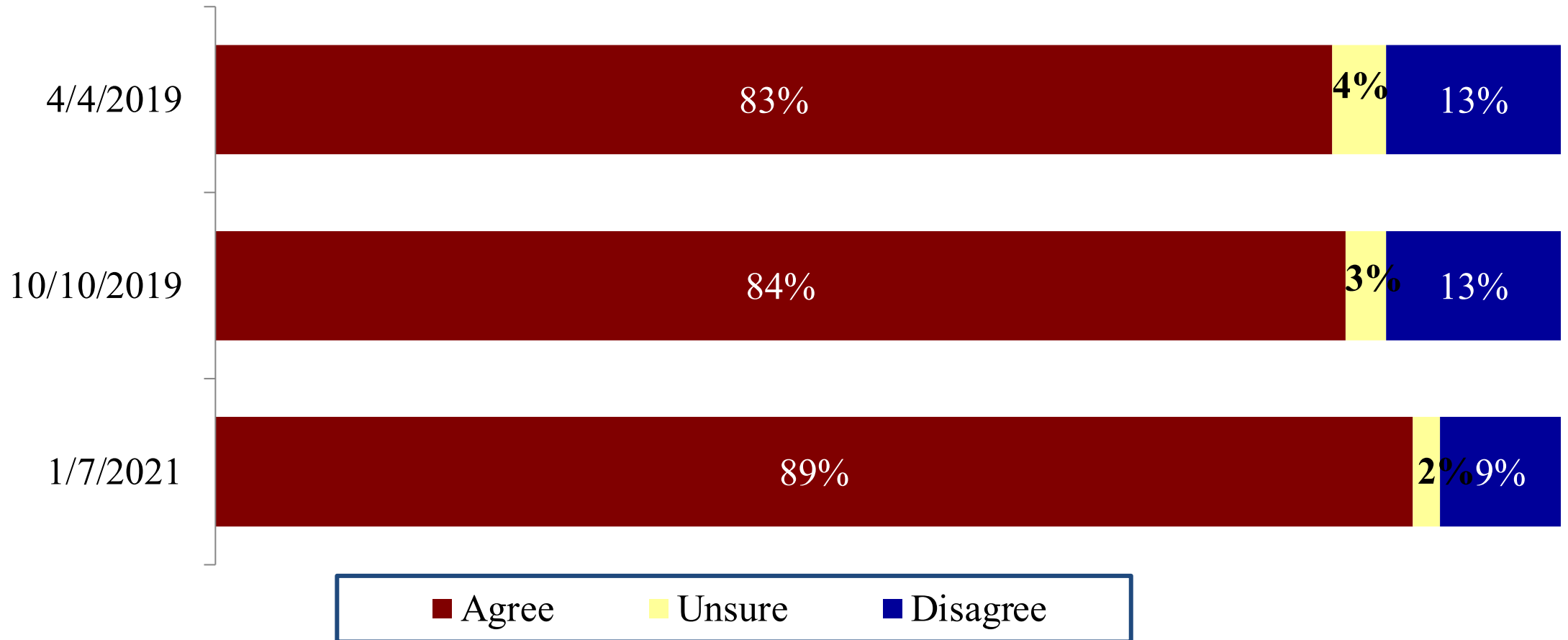
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I am frustrated by the uncivil and rude behavior of many politicians.



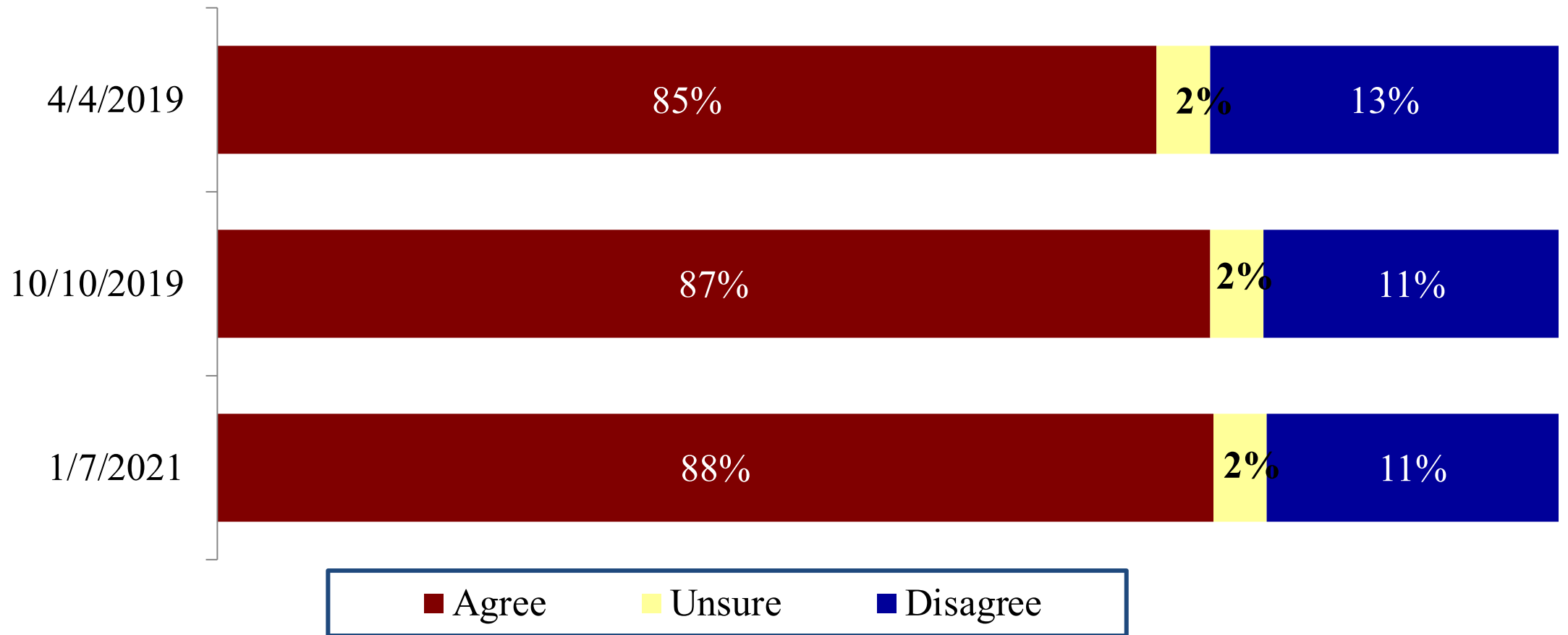
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Behavior that used to be seen as unacceptable is now accepted as normal behavior.



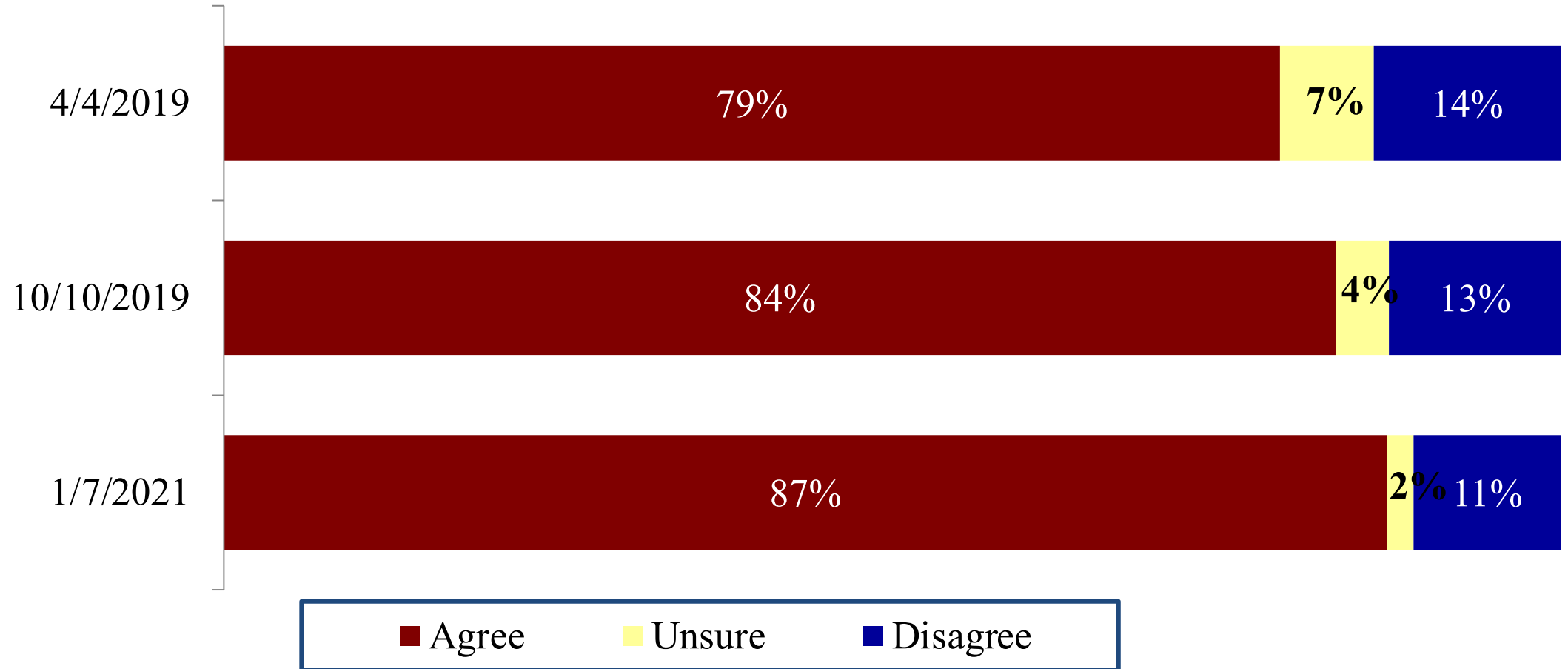
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Compromise and common ground should be the goal for political leaders.



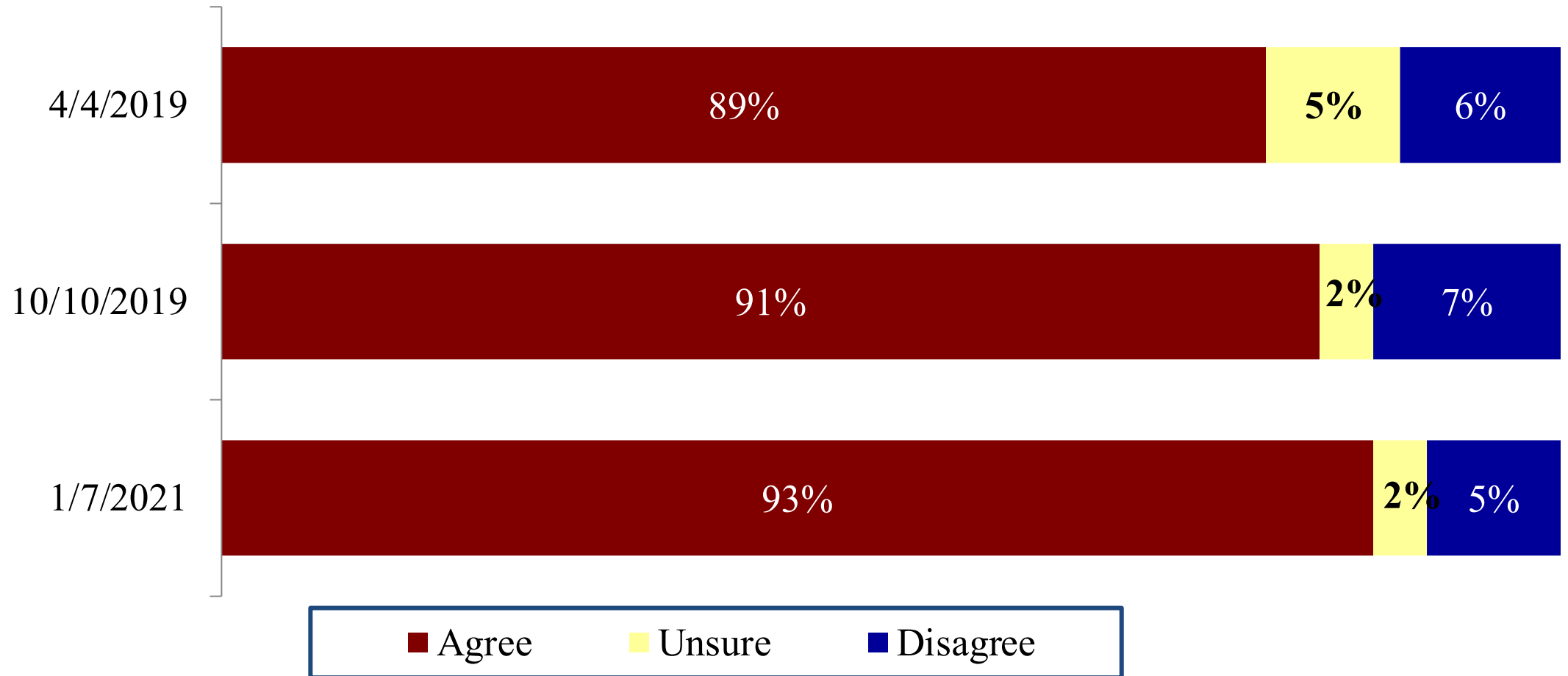
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I'm tired of leaders compromising my values and ideals. I want leaders who will stand up to the other side.



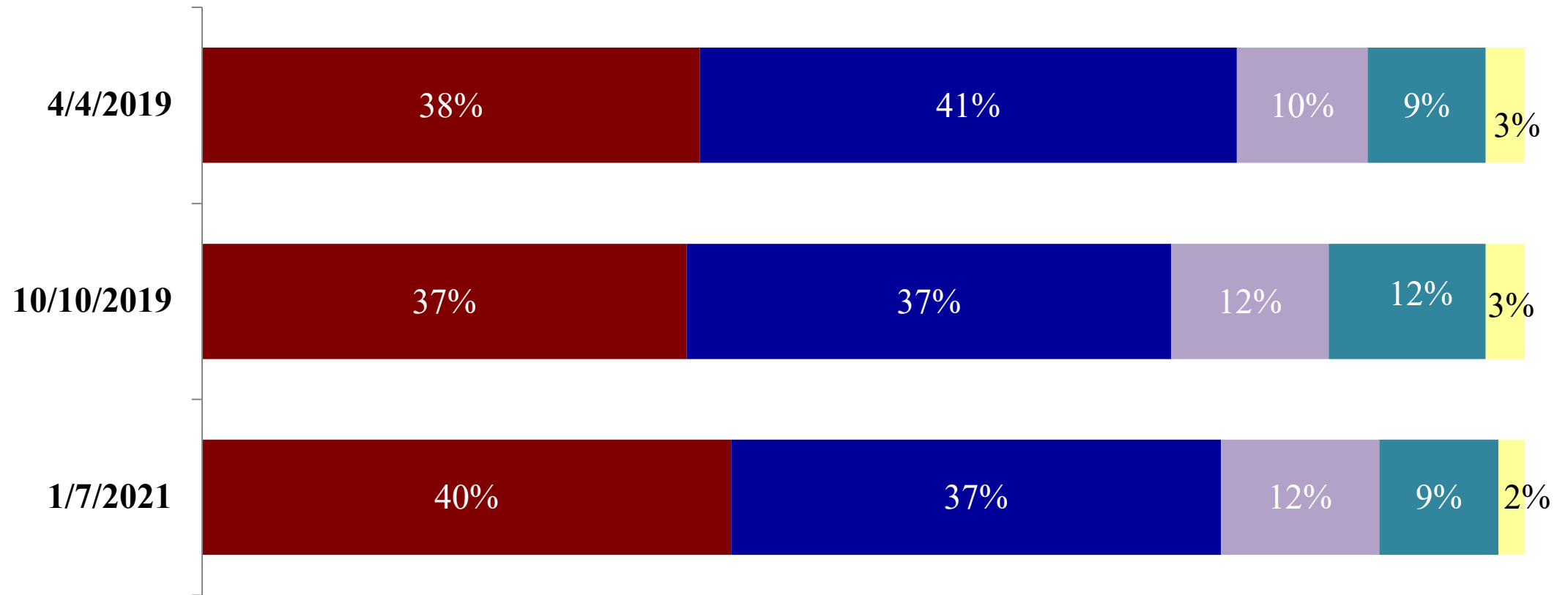
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I'm tired of politicians in Washington who work with the powerful special interests instead of standing up to them.



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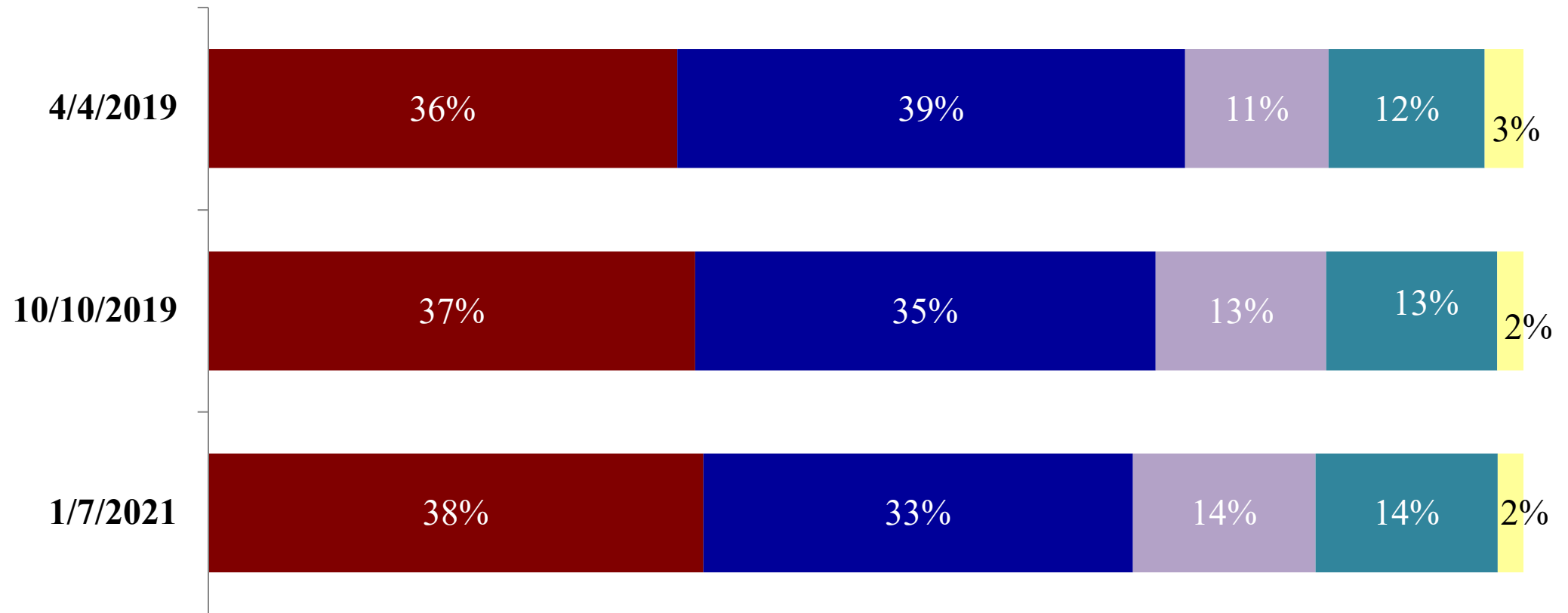
Republican political leaders



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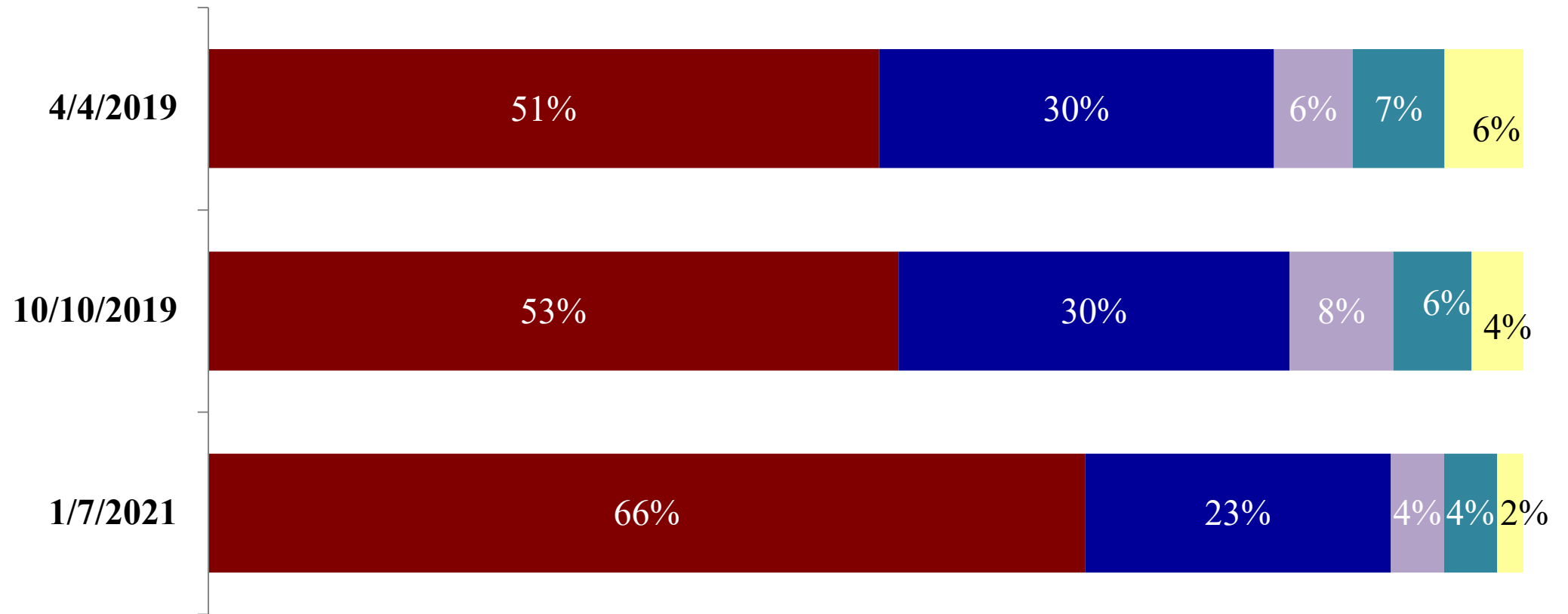
Democratic political leaders



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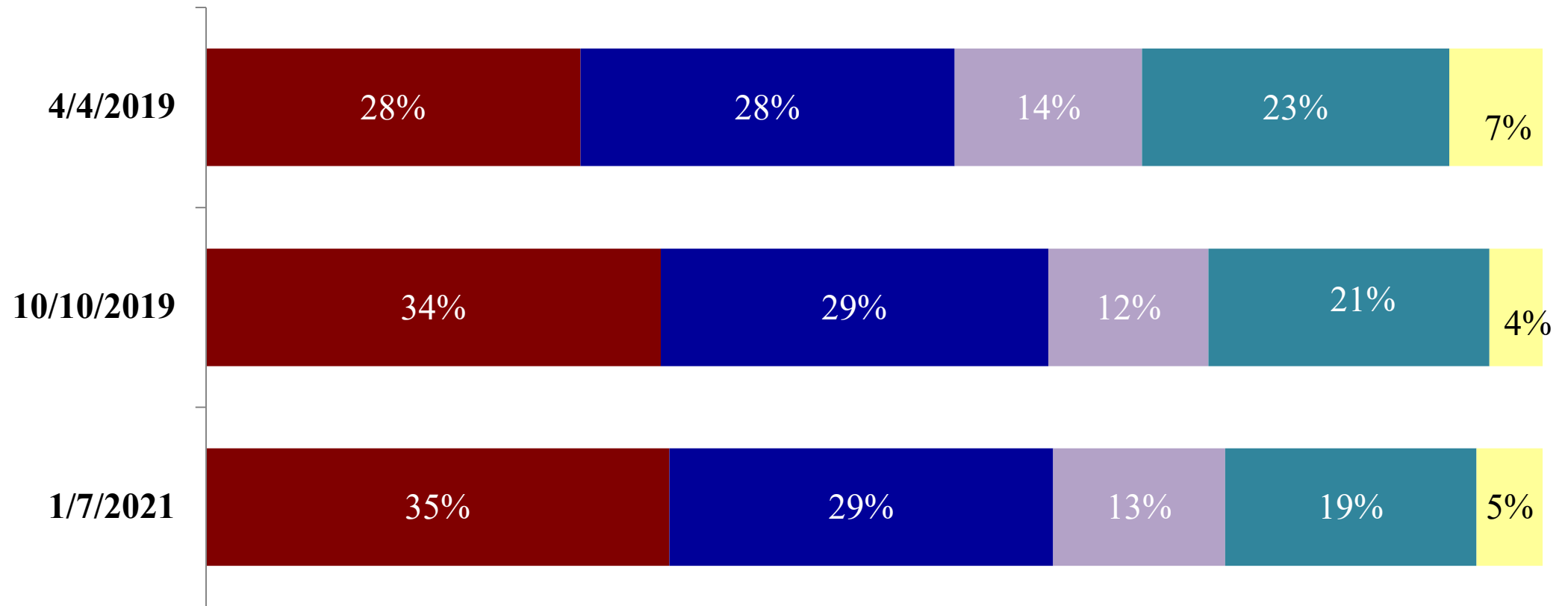
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Social media like Facebook and Twitter



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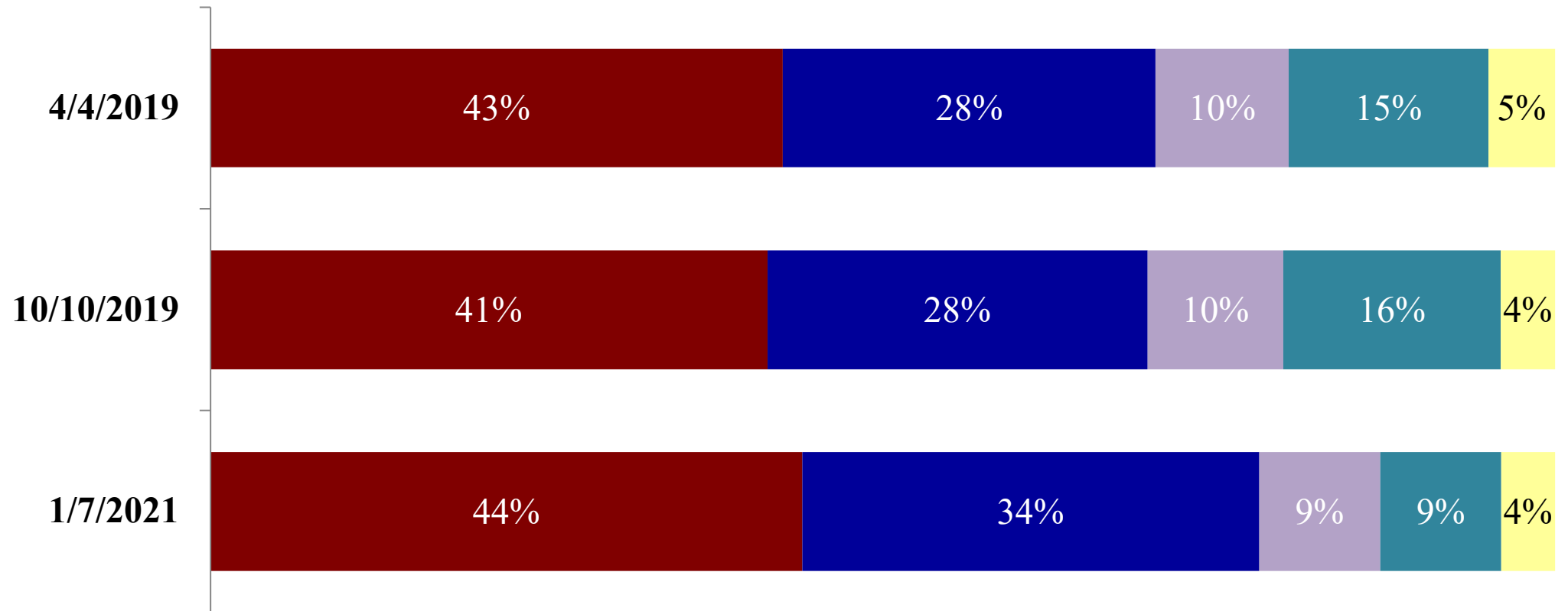
Large newspapers like the Washington Post and the New York Times



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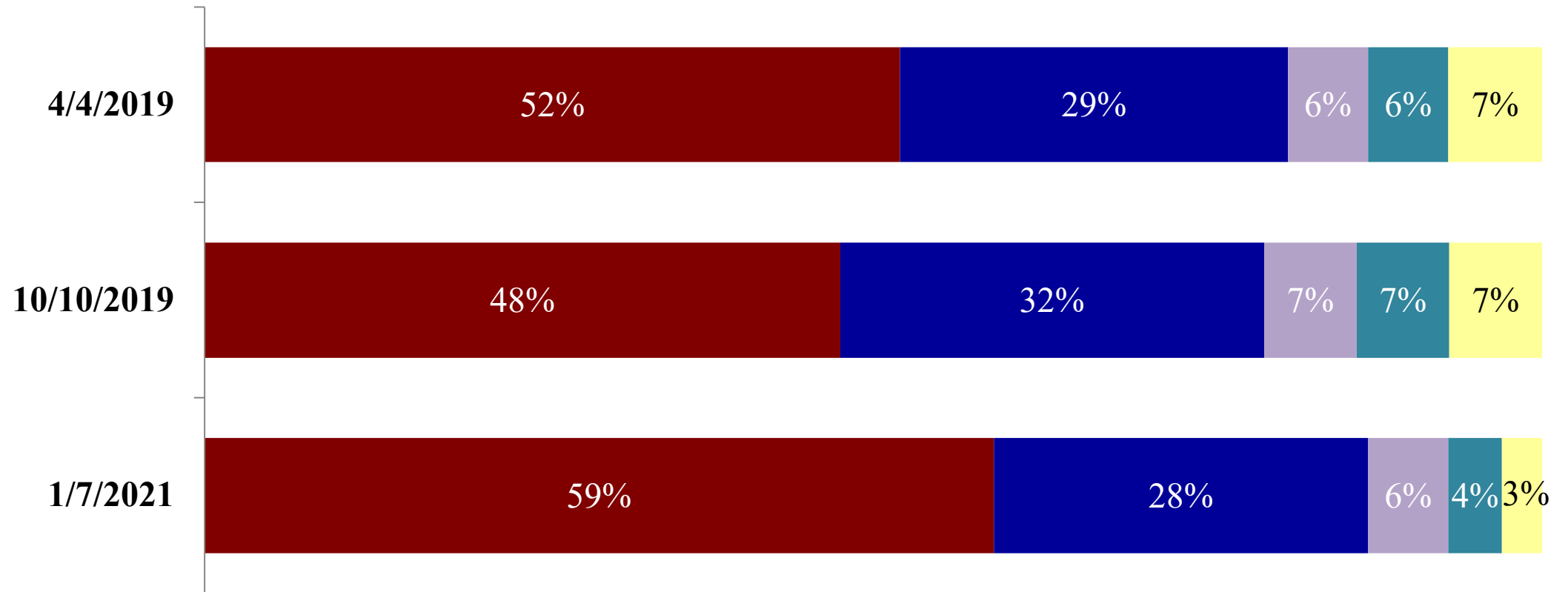
Fox News



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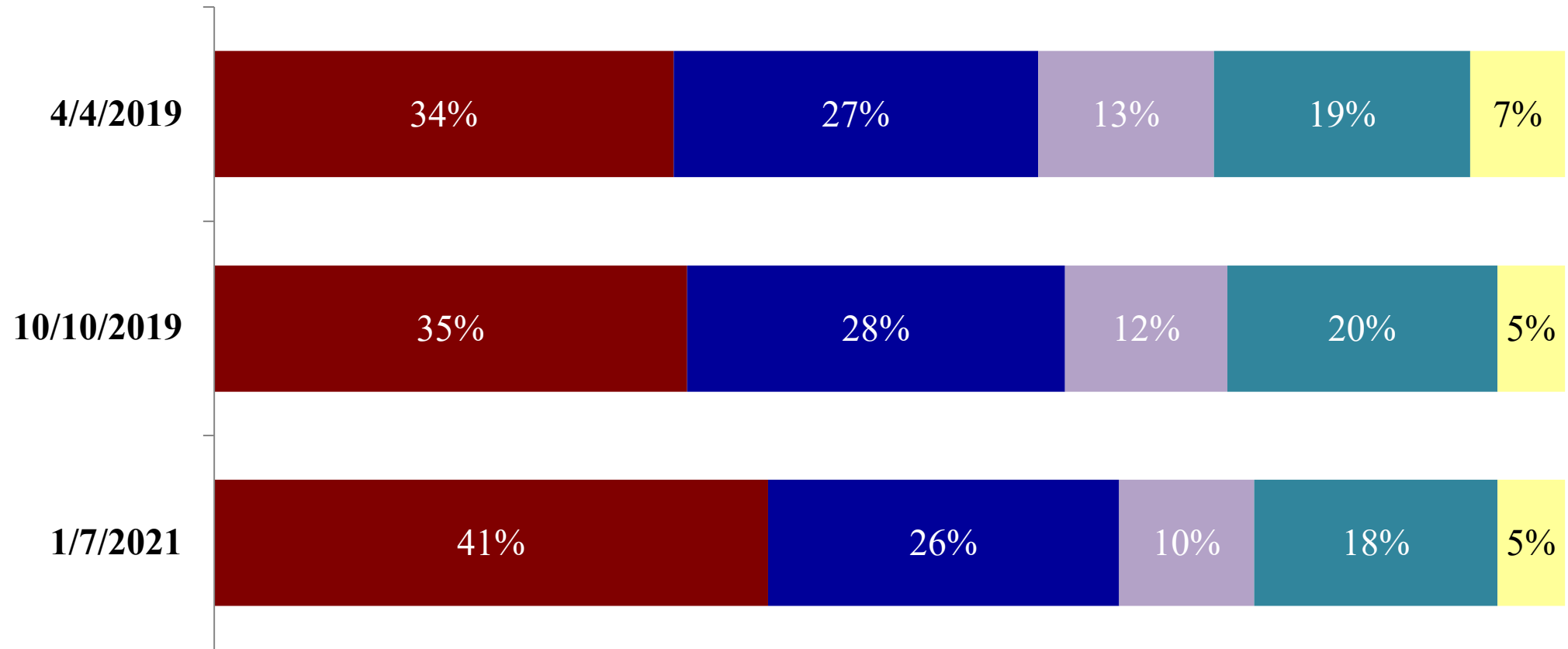
Wealthy special interests



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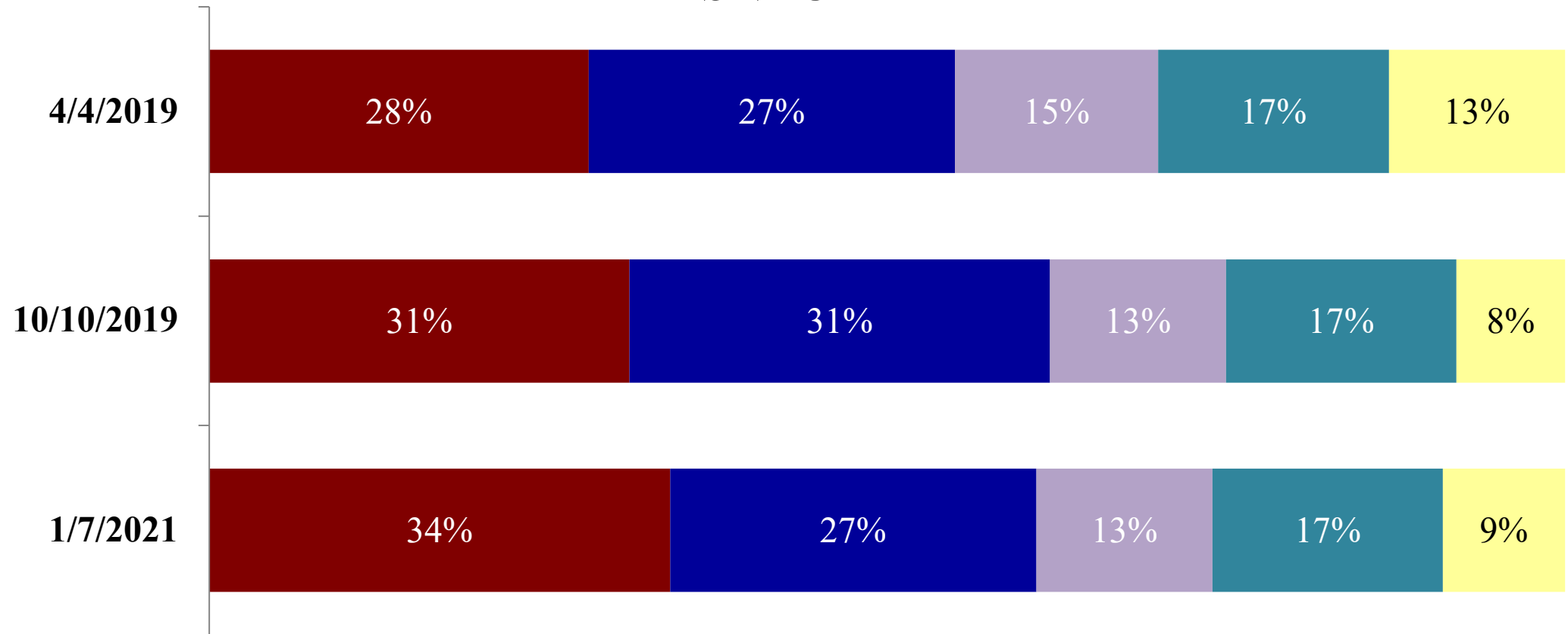
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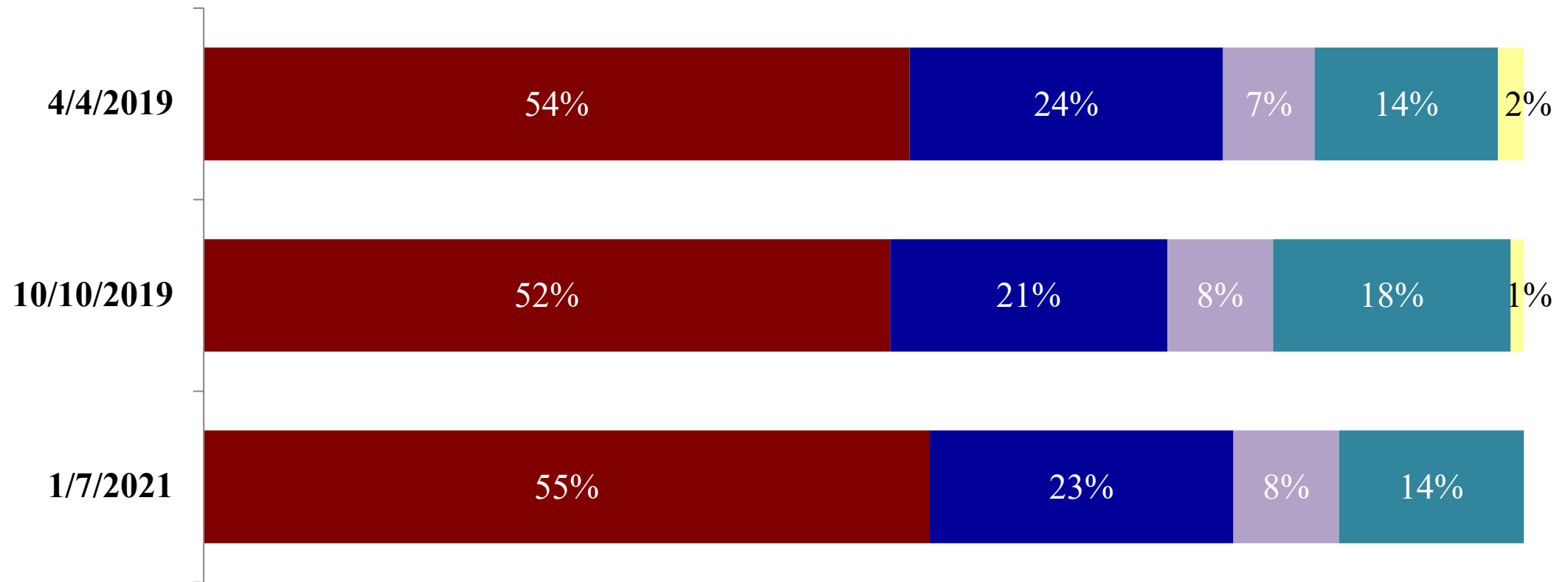
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President Donald Trump



■ Very

■ Somewhat

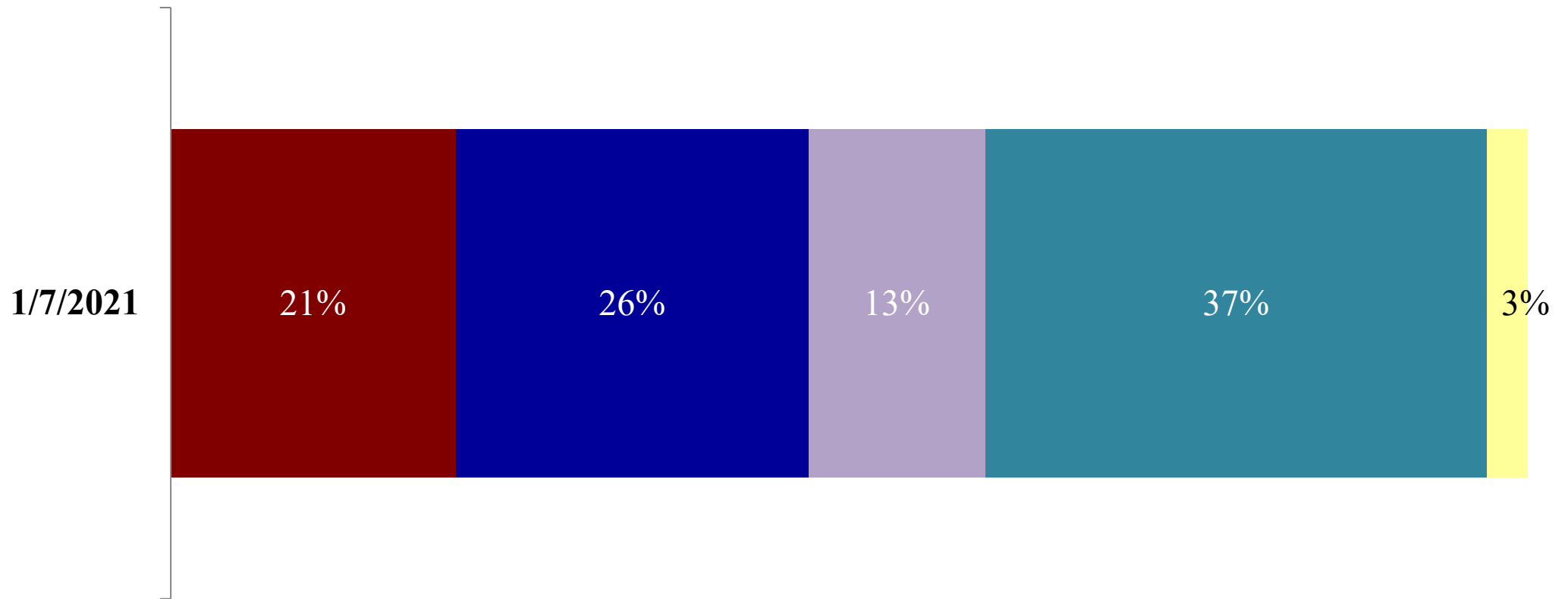
■ A little

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President-elect Joe Biden



On a scale of 0 to 100, where “0” is there is no political division in the country and where “100” is political division on the edge of a civil war, where would you rank the level of political division in the country?

April 2019 Mean: 70.8

October 2019 Mean: 67.23

January 2021 Mean: 76.01

Now, please think ahead to one year from now...

On a scale of 0 to 100, where “0” is there is no political division in the country and where “100” is political division on the edge of a civil war, where would did you think the level of political division will be one year from now?

January 2021 Mean:65.22