

# LOUISIANA PUBLIC SQUARE



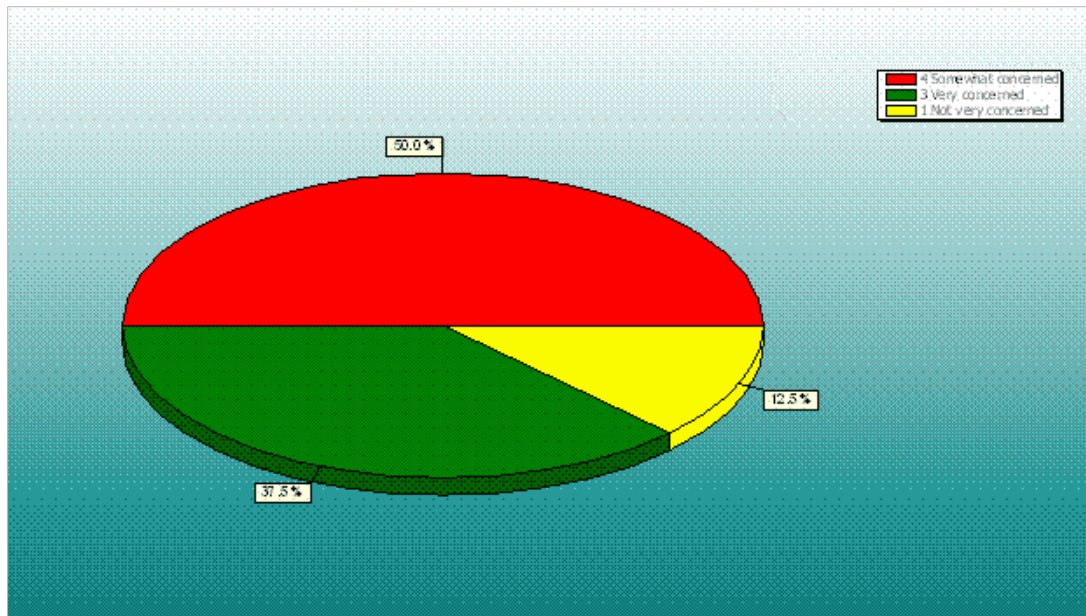
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## Online Survey Results The High Cost of Health Care

Q1. Thinking about the recent hurricanes, what do you think is the most important problem in health or health care for state government to address?

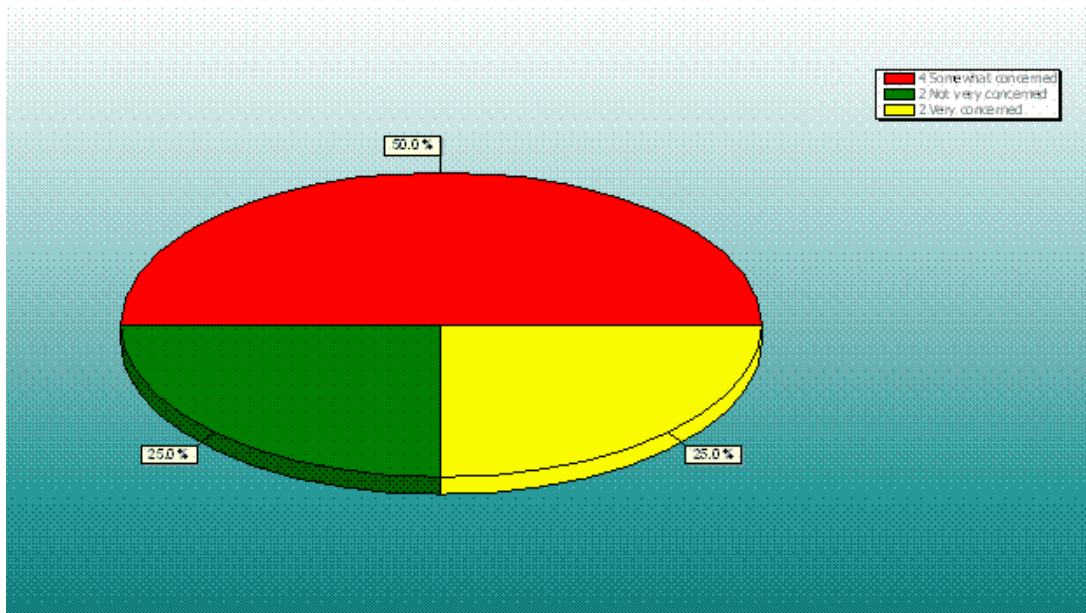
How concerned you are personally about each issue - very concerned, somewhat concerned, not very concerned, or not at all concerned:

a. The spread of communicable or infectious diseases, such as the West Nile Virus and Hepatitis



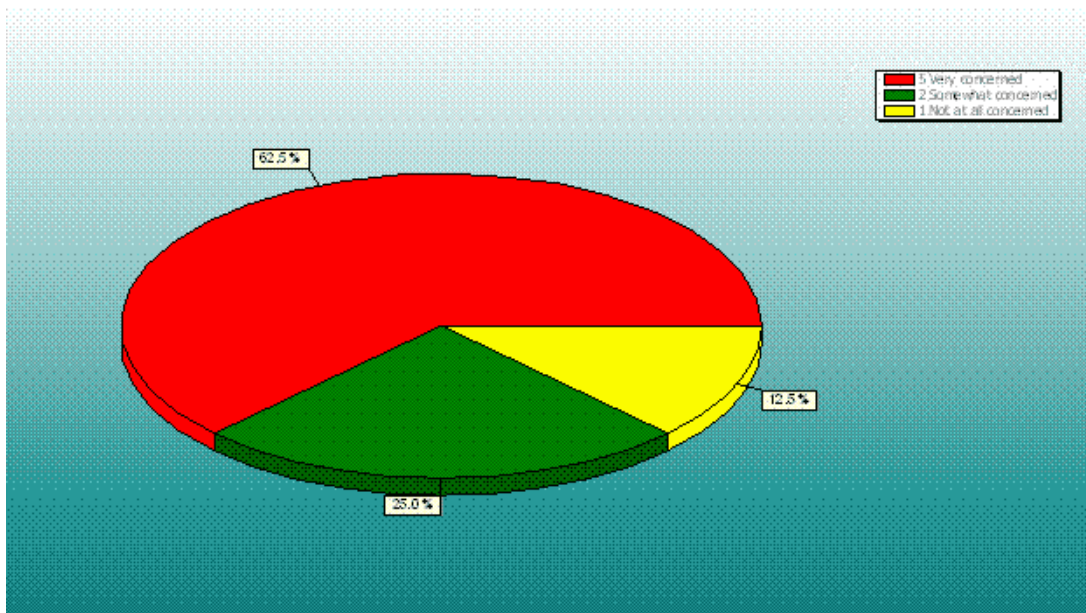
	%
Very concerned	37.50
Somewhat concerned	50.00
Not very concerned	12.50
Not at all concerned	0.0
Don't know / Not available	0.0
Refused	0.0

b. Mental health or stress related issues



	%
Very concerned	25.00
Somewhat concerned	50.00
Not very concerned	25.00
Not at all concerned	0.0
Don't know / Not available	0.0
Refused	0.0

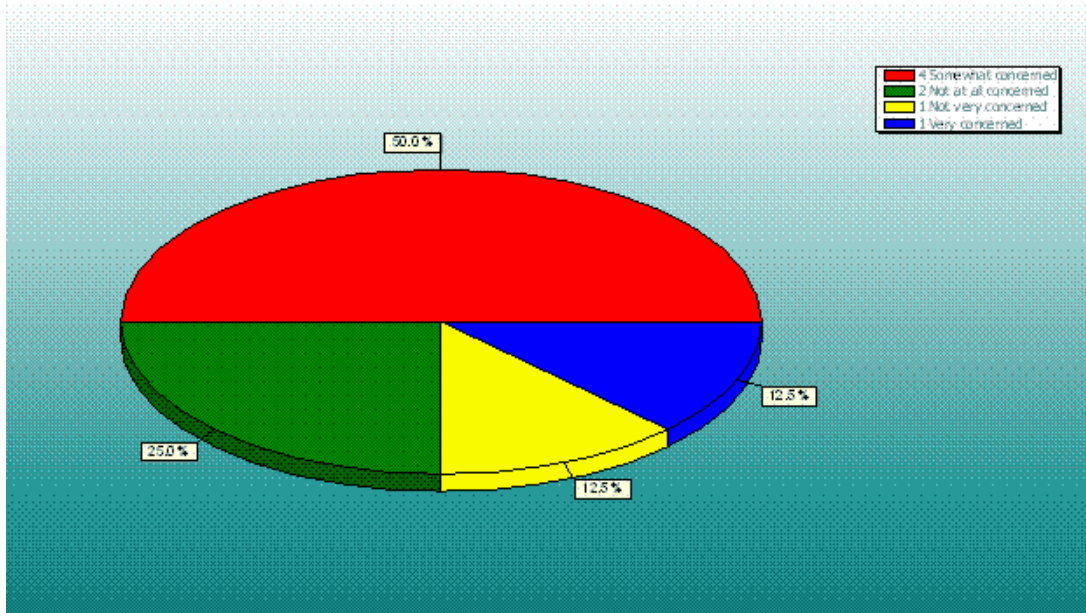
c. Black mold or other environmental concerns affecting air or water quality



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Very concerned	62.50
Somewhat concerned	25.00
Not very concerned	0.00
Not at all concerned	12.50
Don't know / Not available	0.0

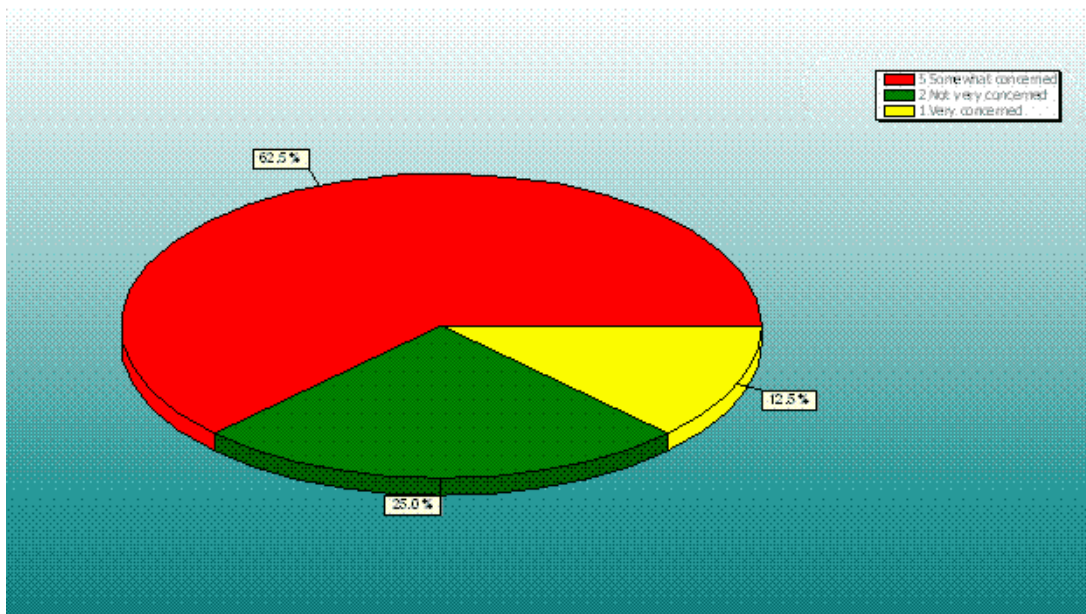
Refused 0.0

d. The loss of medical research at LSU, Tulane, and other medical facilities



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Very concerned	12.50
Somewhat concerned	50.00
Not very concerned	12.50
Not at all concerned	25.00
Don't know / Not available	0.0
Refused	0.0

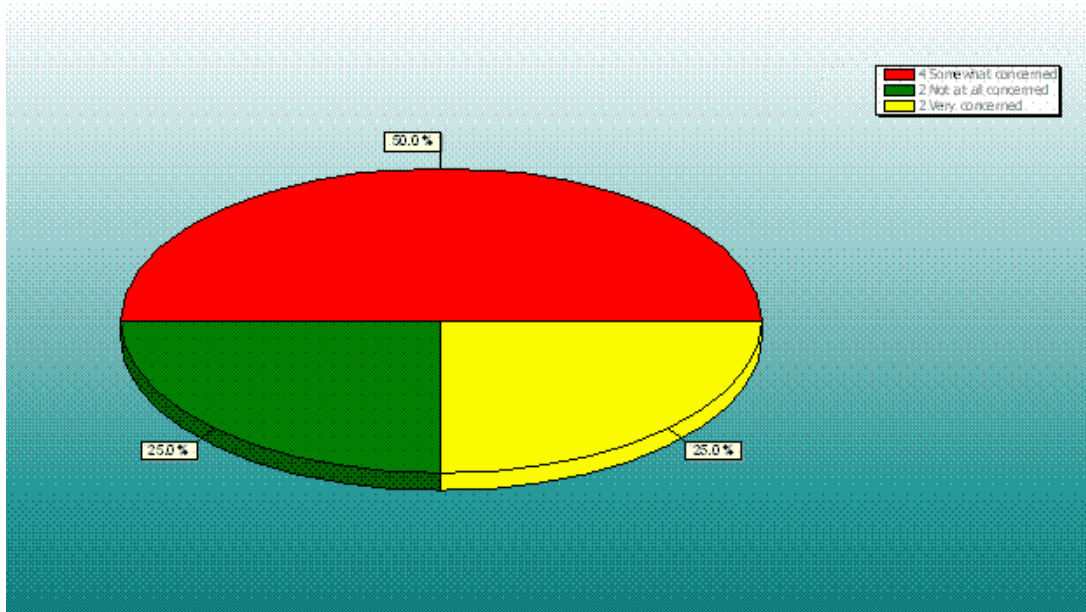
e. The effect on medical schools and the training of new doctors, nurses, and pharmacists



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Very concerned	12.50
Somewhat concerned	62.50

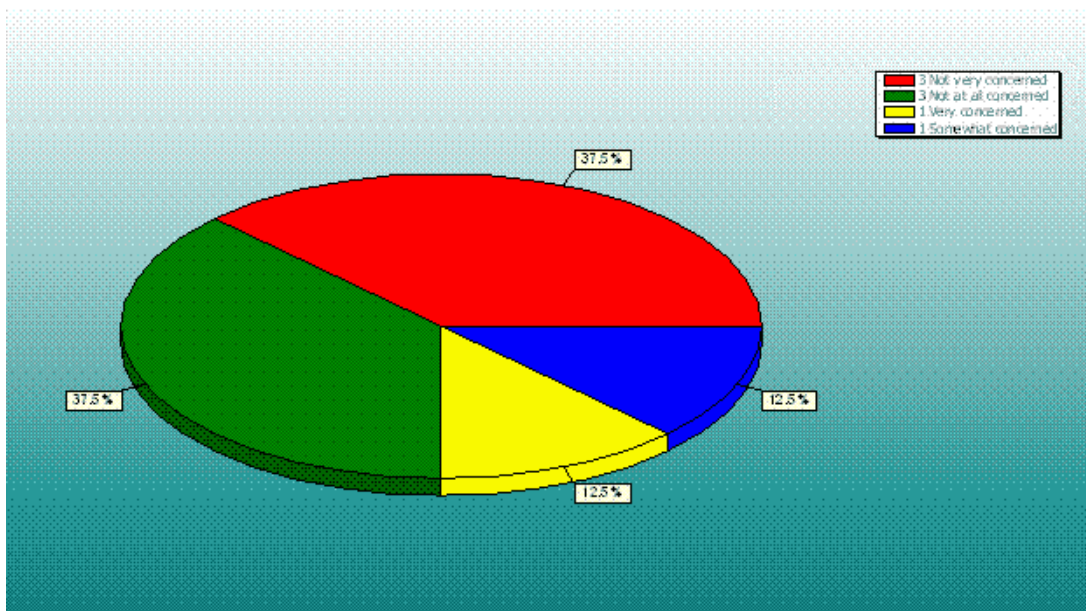
Not very concerned	25.00
Not at all concerned	0.0
Don't know / Not available	0.0
Refused	0.0

f. Health risks to volunteers in shelters



	%
Very concerned	25.00
Somewhat concerned	50.00
Not very concerned	25.00
Not at all concerned	0.0
Don't know / Not available	0.0
Refused	0.0

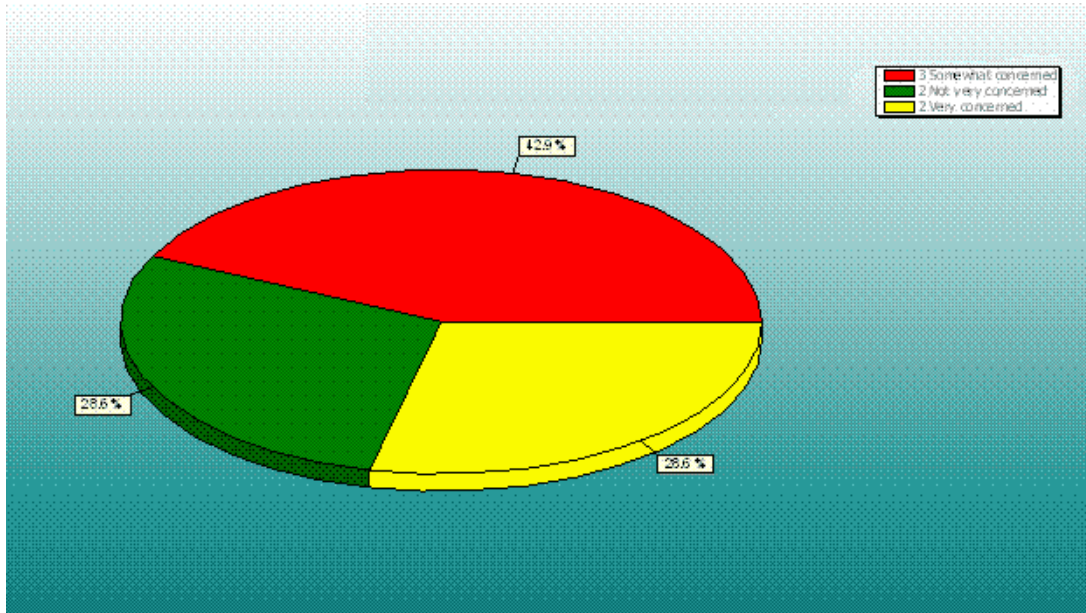
g. Physical risks of crime or violence from people displaced from New Orleans or other areas



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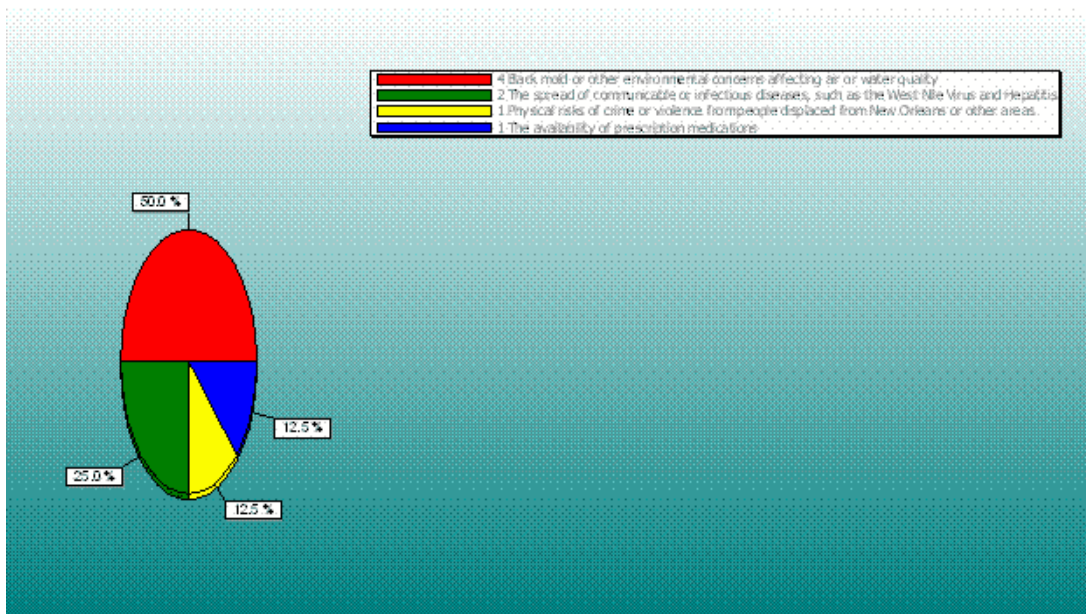
Very concerned	12.50
Somewhat concerned	12.50
Not very concerned	37.50
Not at all concerned	37.50
Don't know / Not available	0.0
Refused	0.0

h. The availability of prescription medications



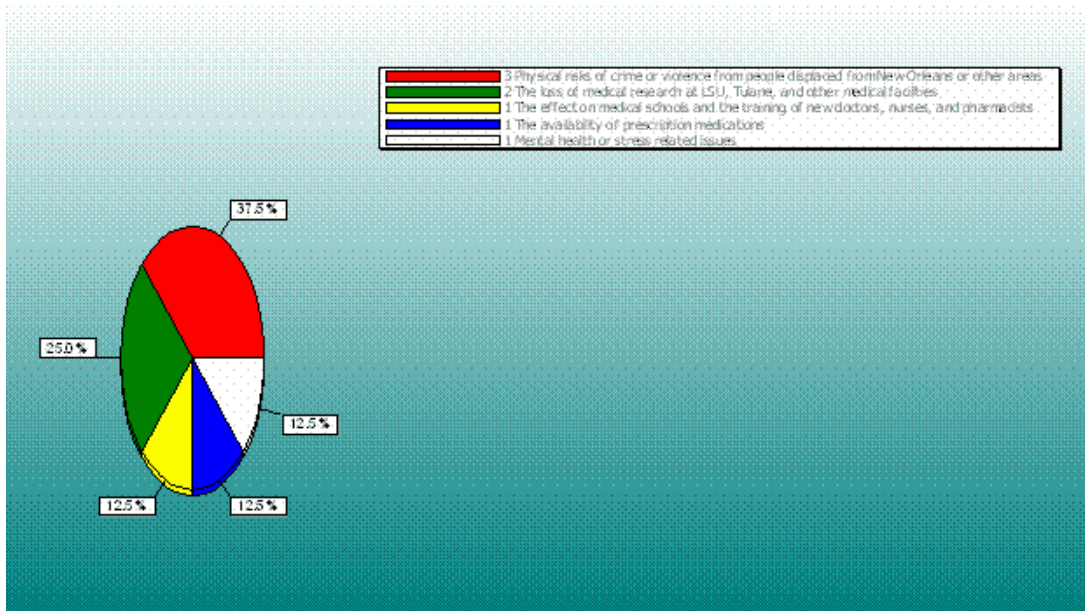
	%
Very concerned	28.60
Somewhat concerned	42.90
Not very concerned	28.60
Not at all concerned	0.0
Don't know / Not available	0.0
Refused	0.0

Q3. Of the concerns health care issues we have just listed, which issue are you most concerned about?



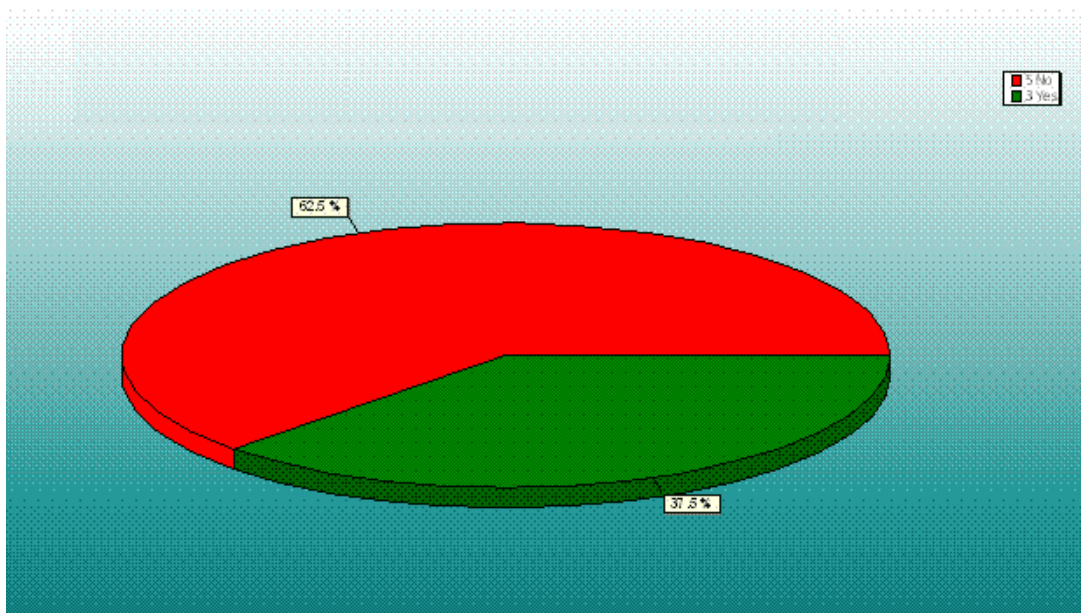
	%
Black mold or other environmental concerns affecting air or water quality	50.00
The spread of communicable or infectious diseases, such as the West Nile Virus and Hepatitis	25.00
Physical risks of crime or violence from people displaced from New Orleans or other areas	12.50
The availability of prescription medications	12.50
Don't know / Not available	0.0
Refused	0.0

Q4. And which issue are you least concerned about?



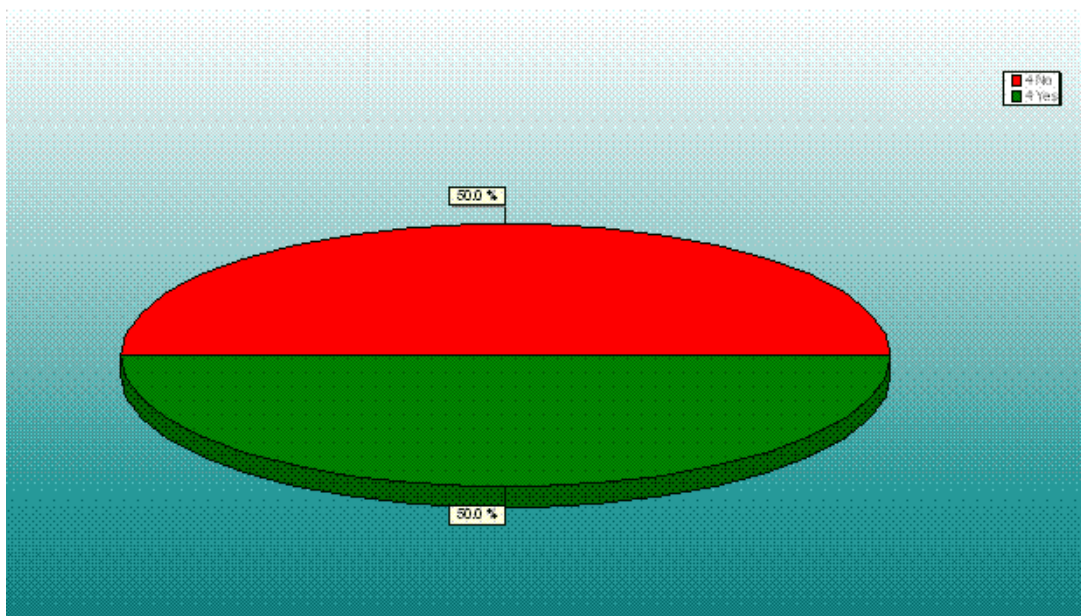
	%
Physical risks of crime or violence from people displaced from New Orleans or other areas	37.50
The loss of medical research at LSU, Tulane, and other medical facilities	50.00
The effect on medical schools and the training of new doctors, nurses, and pharmacists	12.50
The availability of prescription medications	0.0
Mental health or stress related issues	0.0
Don't know / Not available	0.0
Refused	0.0

Q5. Has you know had to seek medical care as a direct result of the hurricane?



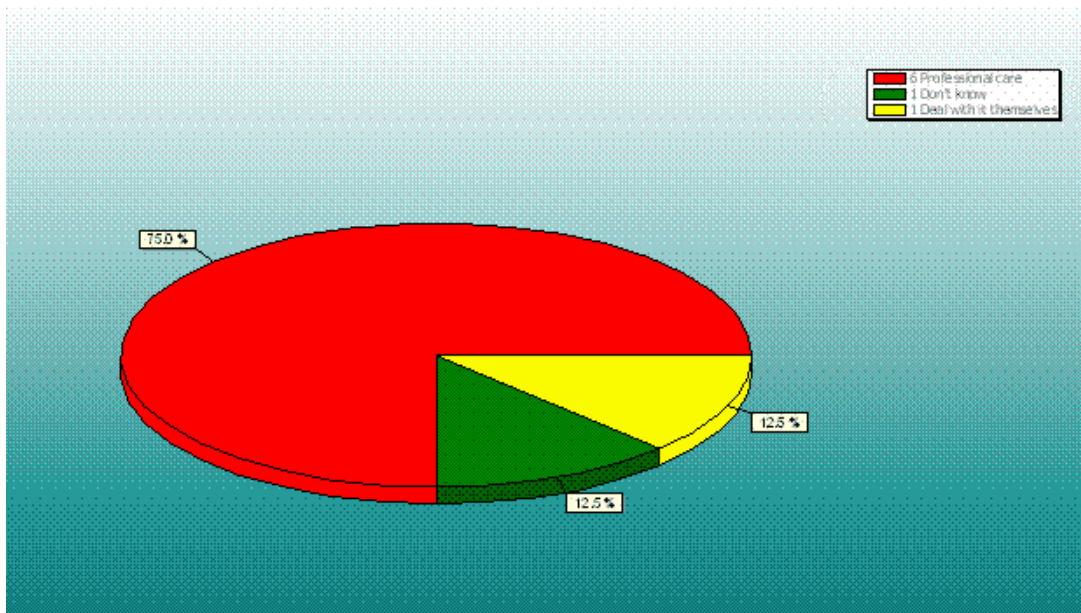
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Yes	37.50
No	62.50
Don't know / Not available	0.0
Refused	0.0

Q6. Has anyone you know had to seek counseling or mental health services because of stress-related or mental health concerns, such as depression or anxiety?



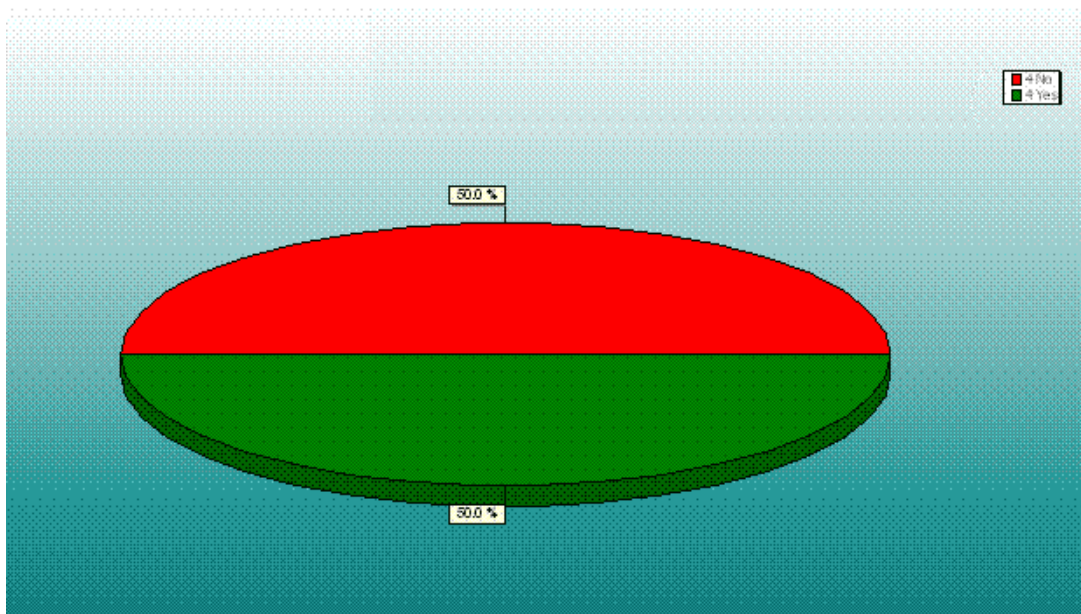
	%
Yes	50.00
No	50.00
Don't know / Not available	0.0
Refused	0.0

Q7. When it comes to dealing with the stress related to the hurricanes and their aftermath, do you think it is best to seek professional care or is it better if people just deal it themselves?



	%
Professional care	75.00
Deal with it	12.50
Don't know / Not available	12.50
Refused	0.00

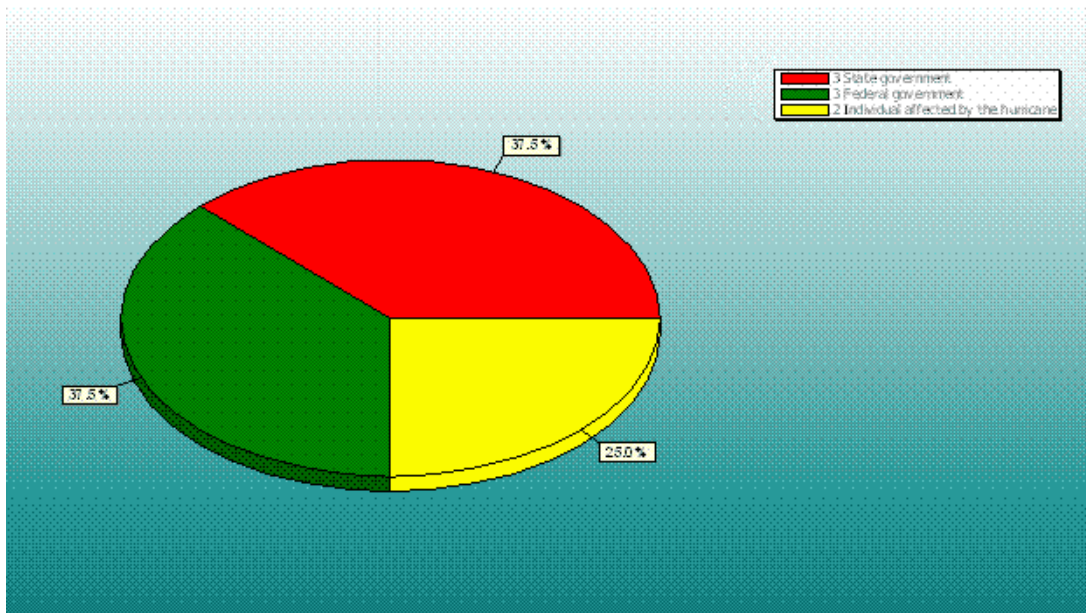
Q8. Have you thought about getting any additional vaccinations, e.g., tetanus, diptheria, or hepatitis, as a result of health concerns related to the hurricanes?



	%
Yes	50.00
No	50.00
Don't know / Not available	0.00
Refused	0.00

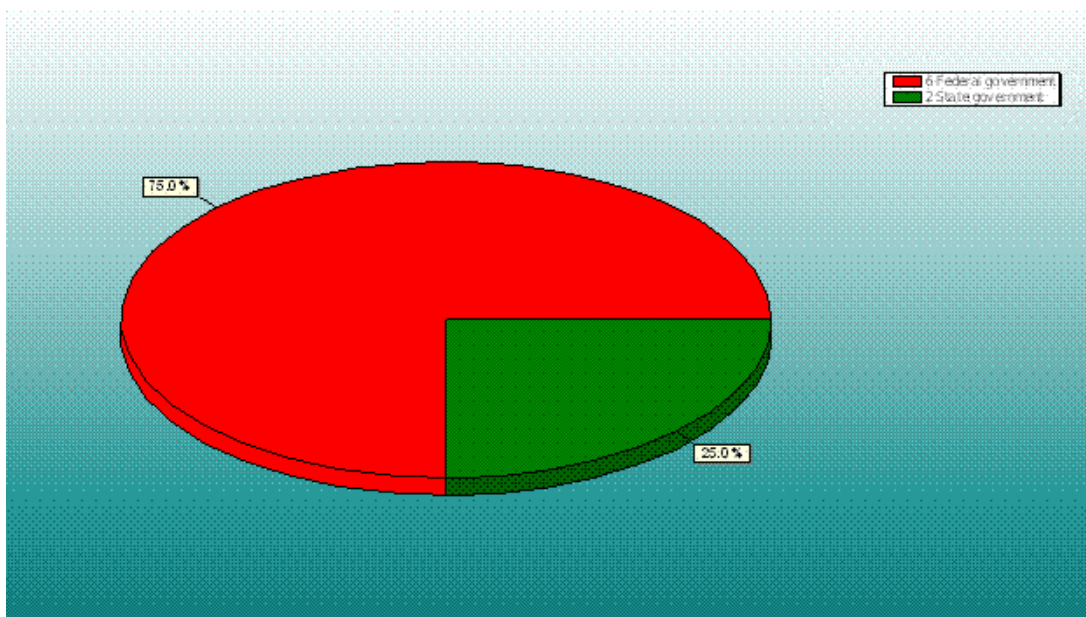
Q9. Now I am going to describe a type of person. For each type, please tell who you think should have the primary responsibility for paying for any medical costs associated with the hurricane - the federal government, the state government, or the individual affected by the hurricane.

a. People with no existing health insurance coverage



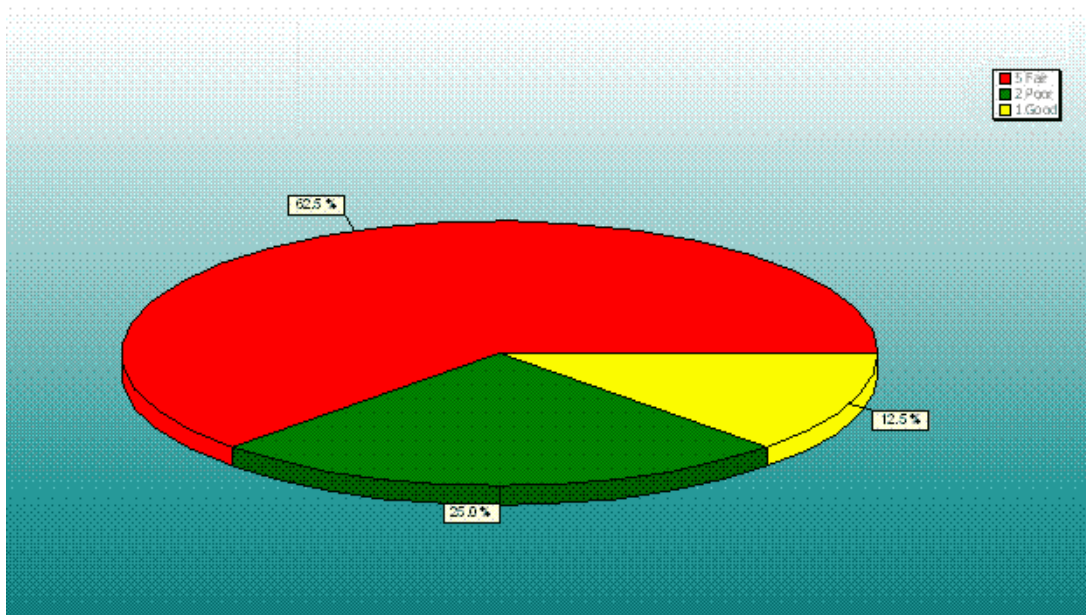
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Federal government	37.50
State government	37.50
Individual affected	25.00
Don't know / Not available	0.00
Refused	0.00

b. Medicaid patients who have been temporarily moved outside of Louisiana



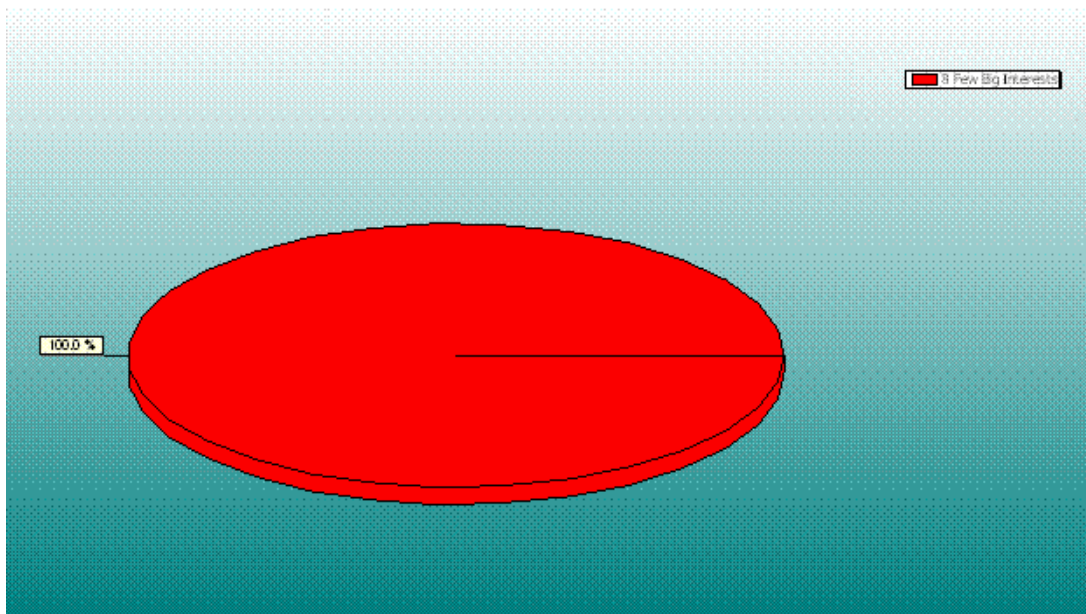
	%
Federal government	75.00
State government	25.00
Individual affected	0.00
Don't know / Not available	0.00
Refused	0.00

Q10. Overall, how well do you think the health care system in Louisiana has responded to medical needs created as a result of the hurricanes? Would you rate the performance as excellent, good, fair, or poor?



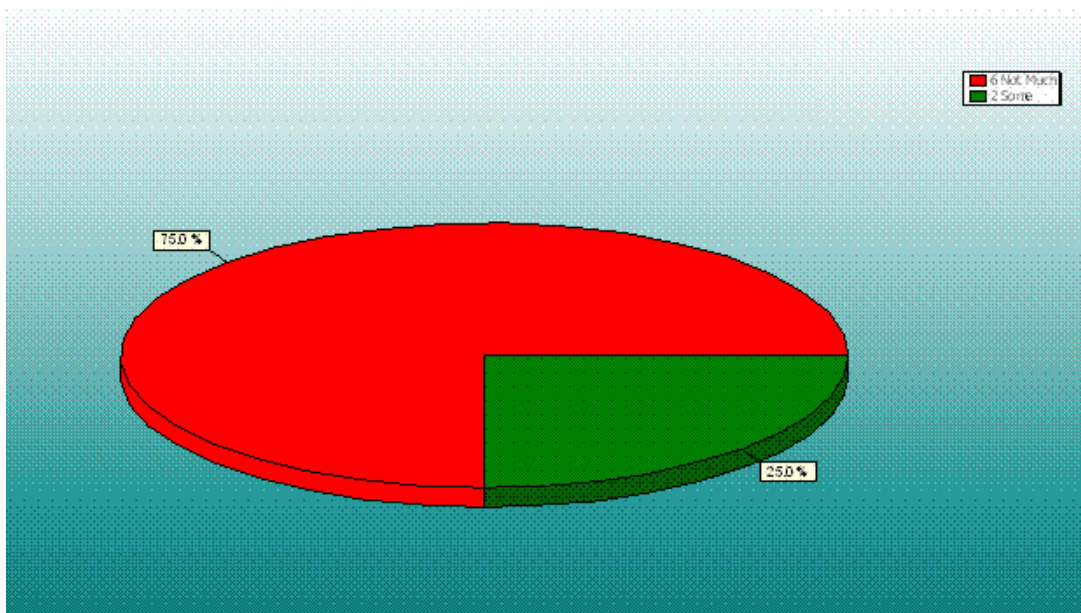
	%
Excellent	0.00
Good	12.50
Fair	62.50
Poor	25.00
Don't know / Not available	0.00
Refused	0.00

Q11. Would you say the government is pretty much run by a few big interests looking out for themselves or that it is run for the benefit of all the people?



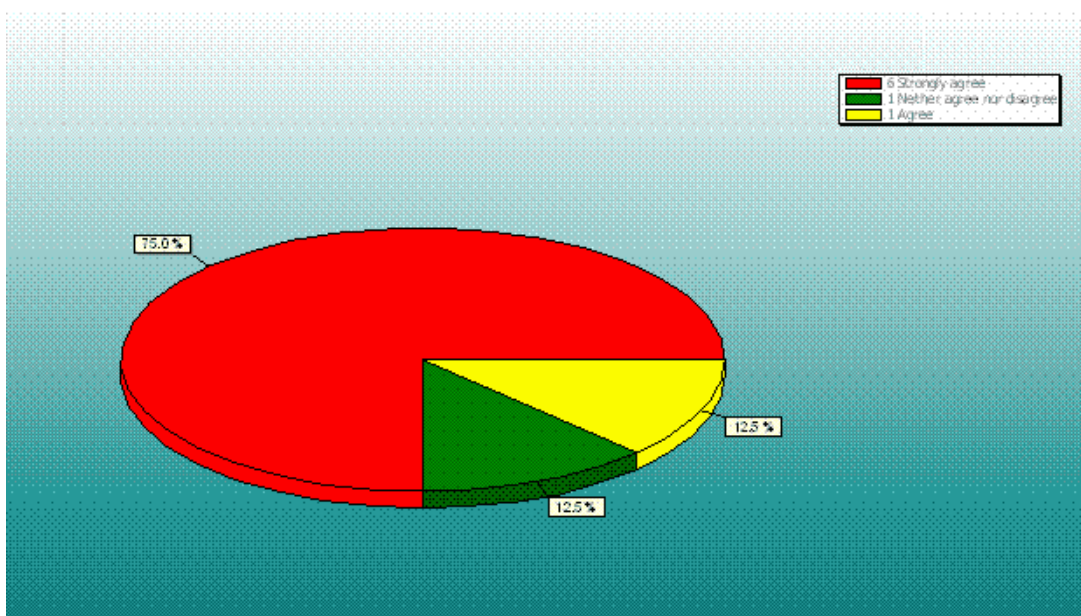
	%
Few Big Interests	100.00
Benefit of All	0.00
Don't know / Not available	0.00
Refused	0.00

Q12. How much attention do you feel the government pays to what the people think when it decides what to do?



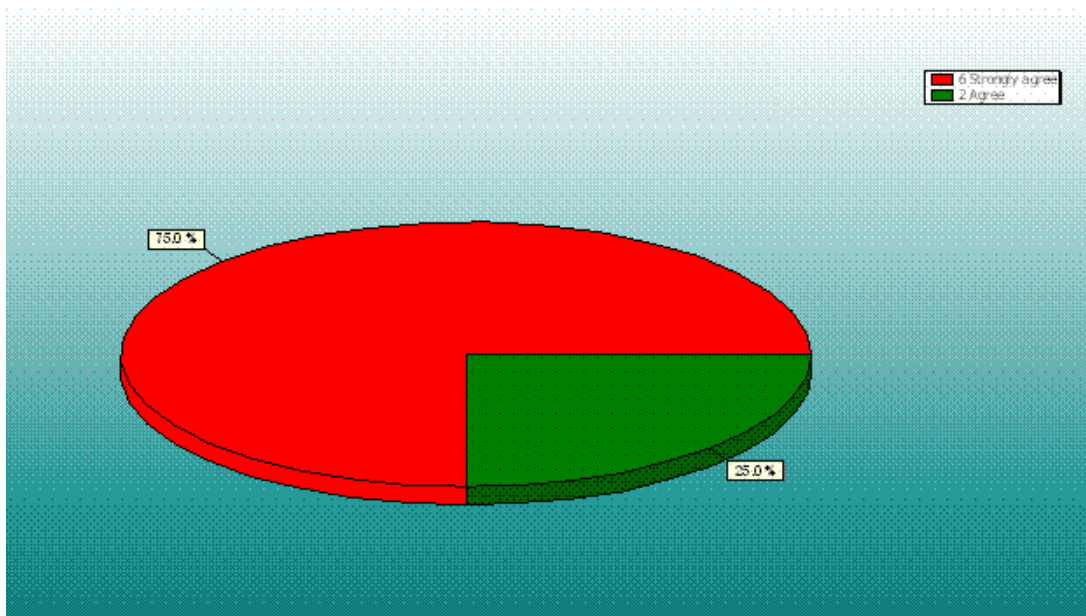
	%
Good Deal	0.00
Some	25.00
Not Much	75.00
Don't know / Not available	0.00
Refused	0.00

Q13. Discussions - even those that involve serious disagreements - should be an important part of the political processes.



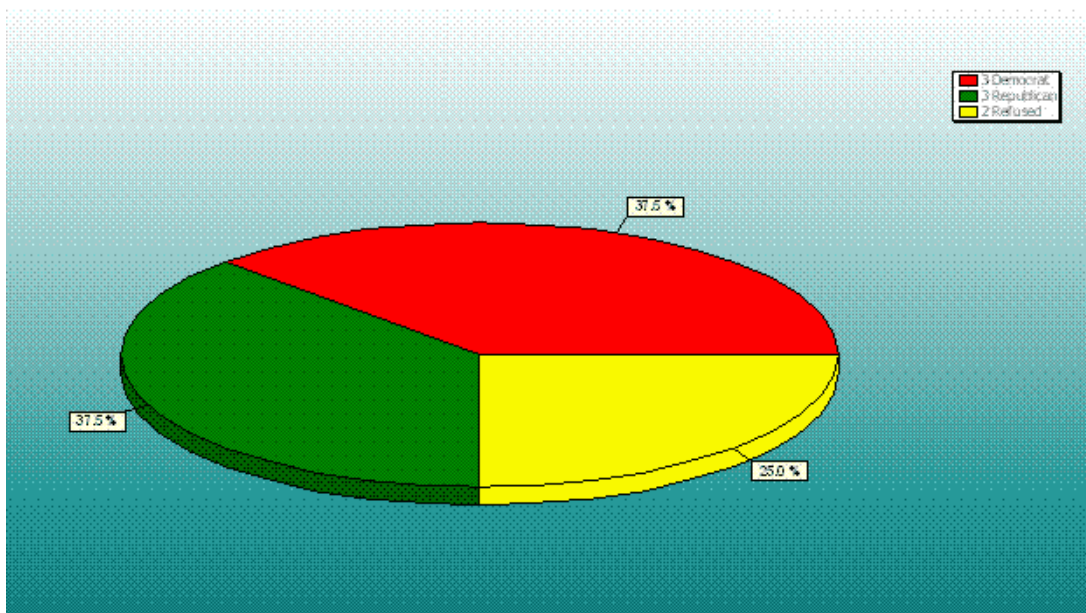
	%
Strongly agree	75.00
Agree	12.50
Neither agree nor disagree	12.50
Disagree	0.00
Strongly disagree	0.00
Don't know / Not available	0.00
Refused	0.00

Q14. Democracy requires hearing from all sides of a political issue, even those with unpopular views.



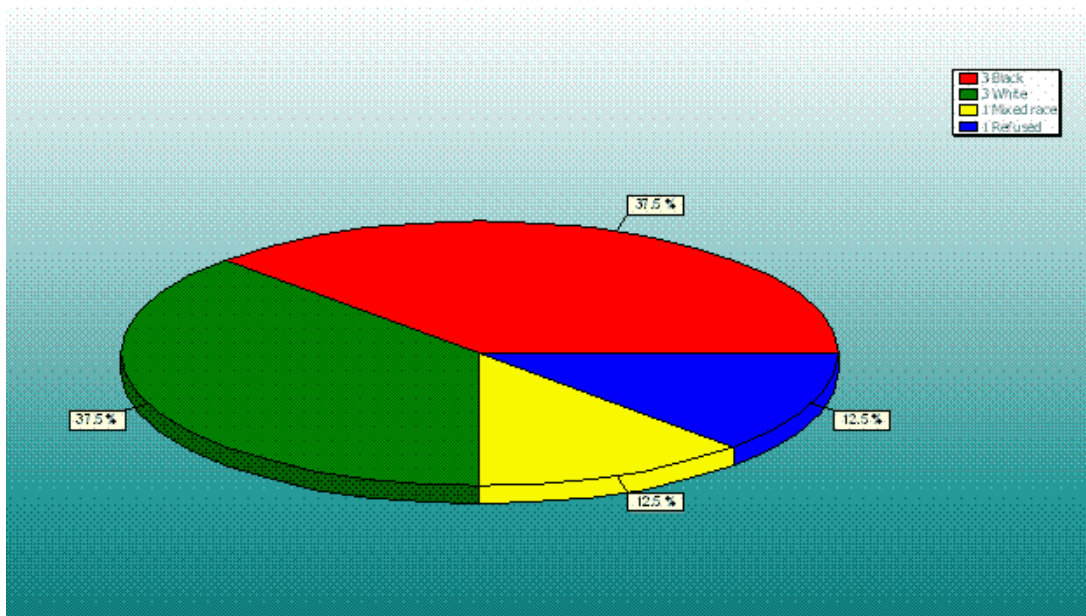
	%
Strongly agree	75.00
Agree	25.00
Neither agree nor disagree	0.00
Disagree	0.00
Strongly disagree	0.00
Don't know / Not available	0.00
Refused	0.00

Q15. What is your political party affiliation?



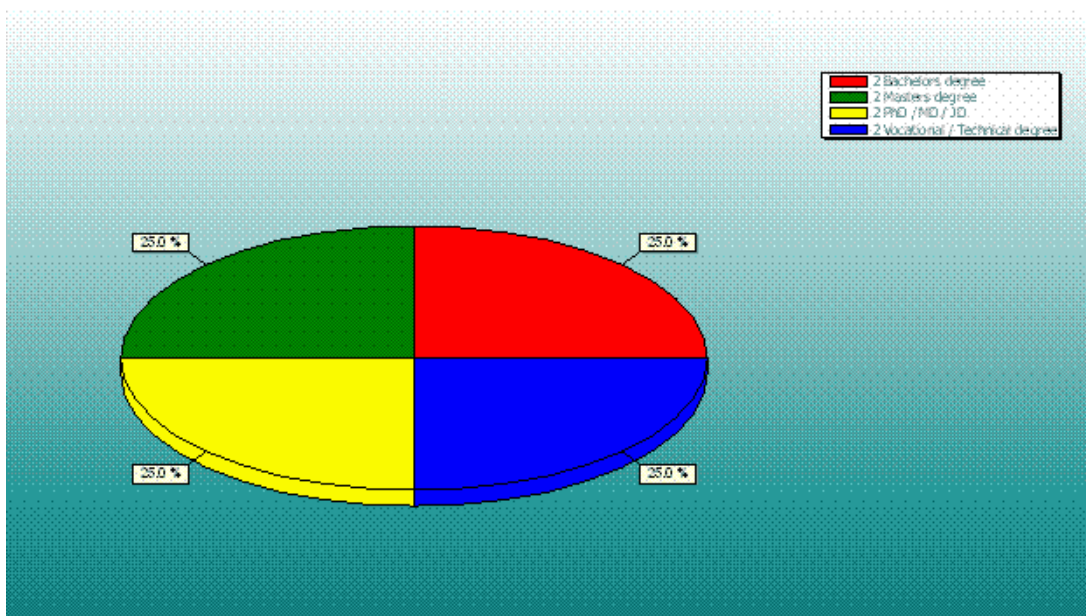
Republican	37.50
Democrat	37.50
Independent	0.00
Other	0.00
Don't know / Not available	0.00
Refused	25.00

Q16. What race or ethnicity do you consider yourself?



White	37.50
Black	37.50
Asian	0.00
Hispanic	0.00
Native American	0.00
Mixed Race	12.50
Other	0.00
Don't know / Not available	0.00
Refused	12.50

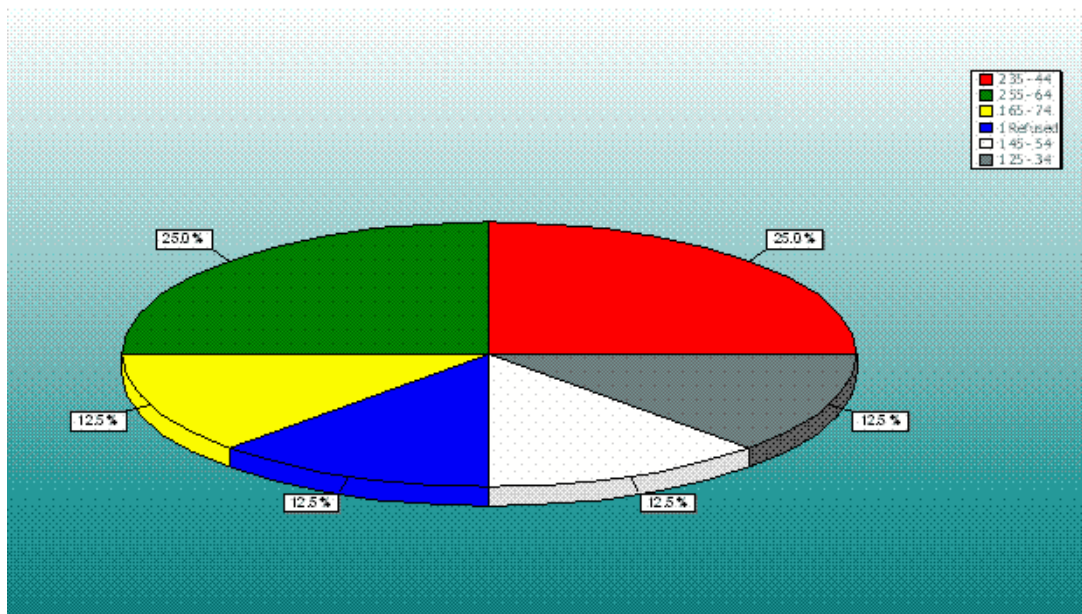
Q17. What is the highest level of education you have received?



Grade School	0.00
High School Diploma/GED	0.00
Vocational/Technical Degree	25.00
Associates Degree	0.00
Bachelors Degree	25.00

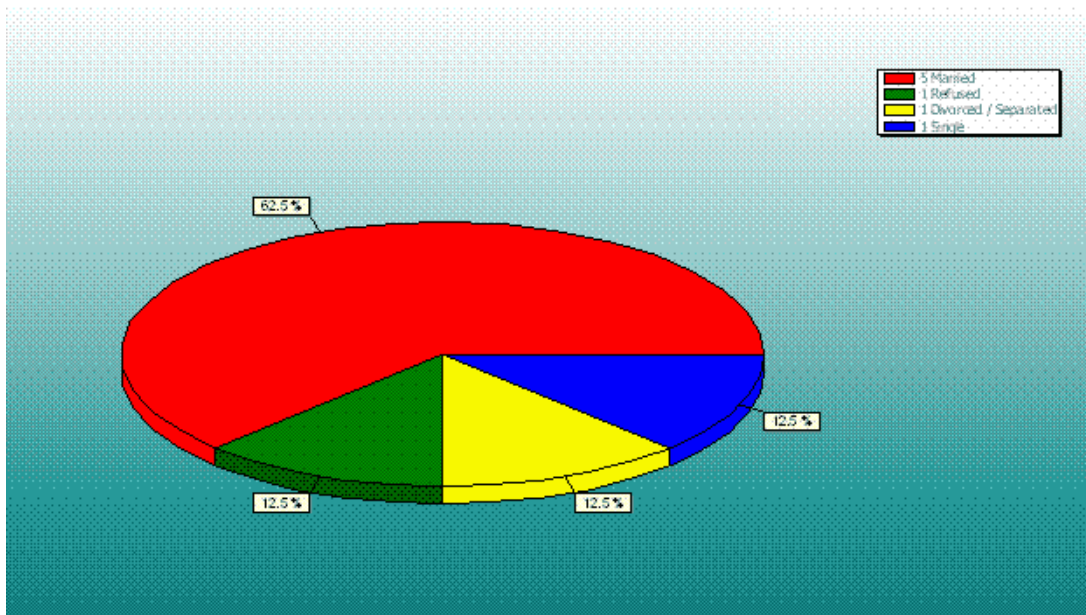
Masters Degree	25.00
PhD/MD/JD	25.00
Other	0.00
Refused	0.00

Q18. What was your age on your last birthday?



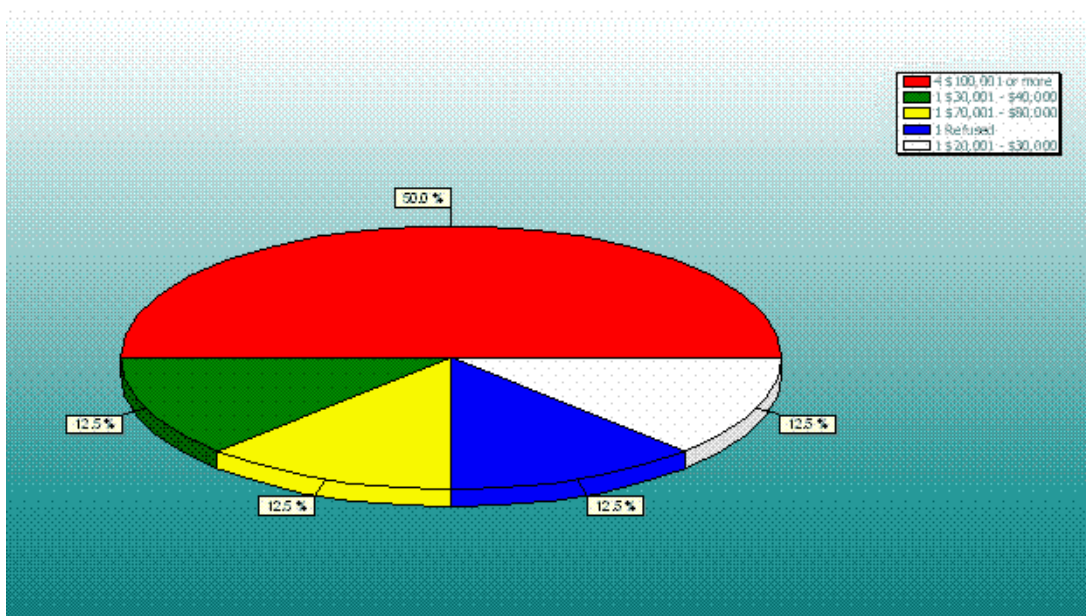
17 or Younger	0.00
18-24	0.00
25-34	12.50
35-44	25.00
45-54	12.50
55-64	25.00
65-74	12.50
75-84	0.00
85 or older	0.00
Don't know / Not available	0.00
Refused	12.50

Q19. Marital Status?



Single	12.50
Married	62.50
Divorced/Separated	12.50
Widowed	0.00
Other	0.00
Don't know / Not available	0.00
Refused	12.50

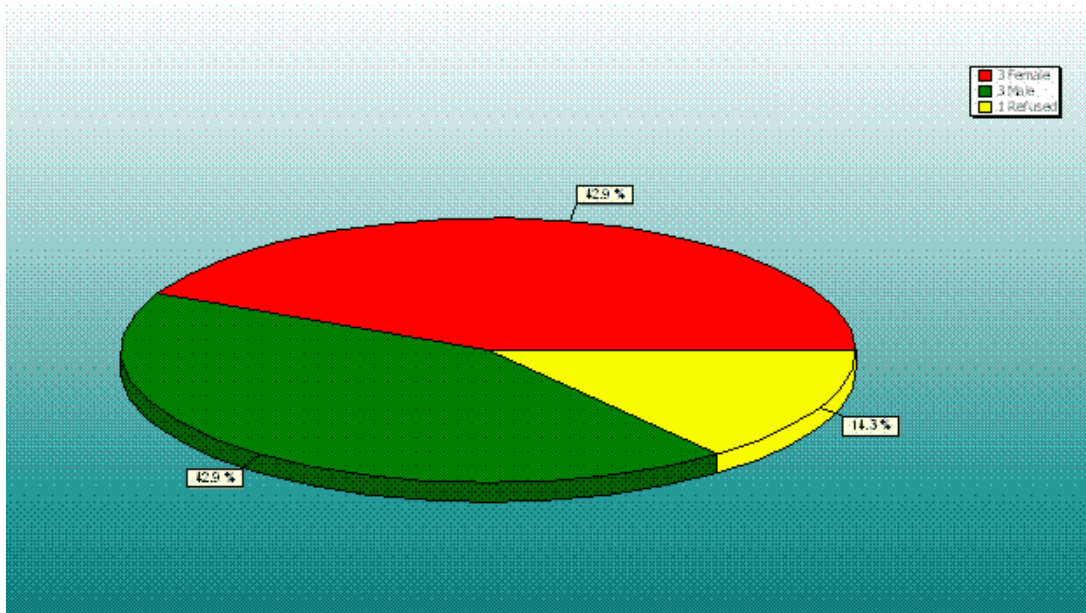
Q20. 2003 Household Income Before Taxes?



	%
\$10,000 or Less	0.00
\$10,001 - \$20,000	0.00
\$20,001 - \$30,000	12.50
\$30,001 - \$40,000	12.50
\$40,001 - \$50,000	0.00
\$50,001 - \$60,000	0.00
\$60,001 - \$70,000	0.00

\$70,001 - \$80,000	12.50
\$80,001 - \$90,000	0.00
\$90,001 - \$100,000	0.00
\$100,001 or More	50.00
Don't know / Not available	0.00
Refused	12.50

Q21. Gender?



	%
Male	42.90
Female	42.90
Refused	14.30

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