

Pastors and Domestic and Sexual Violence

Survey of 1,000 Protestant Pastors

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Methodology

- ❑ The telephone survey of Protestant pastors was conducted May 7-31, 2014
- ❑ The survey was sponsored by Sojourners and IMA World Health
- ❑ The calling list was randomly drawn from a list of all Protestant churches in three size categories. Up to 10 calls were made to reach a sampled phone number
- ❑ Each interview was conducted with the senior pastor, minister or priest of the church called

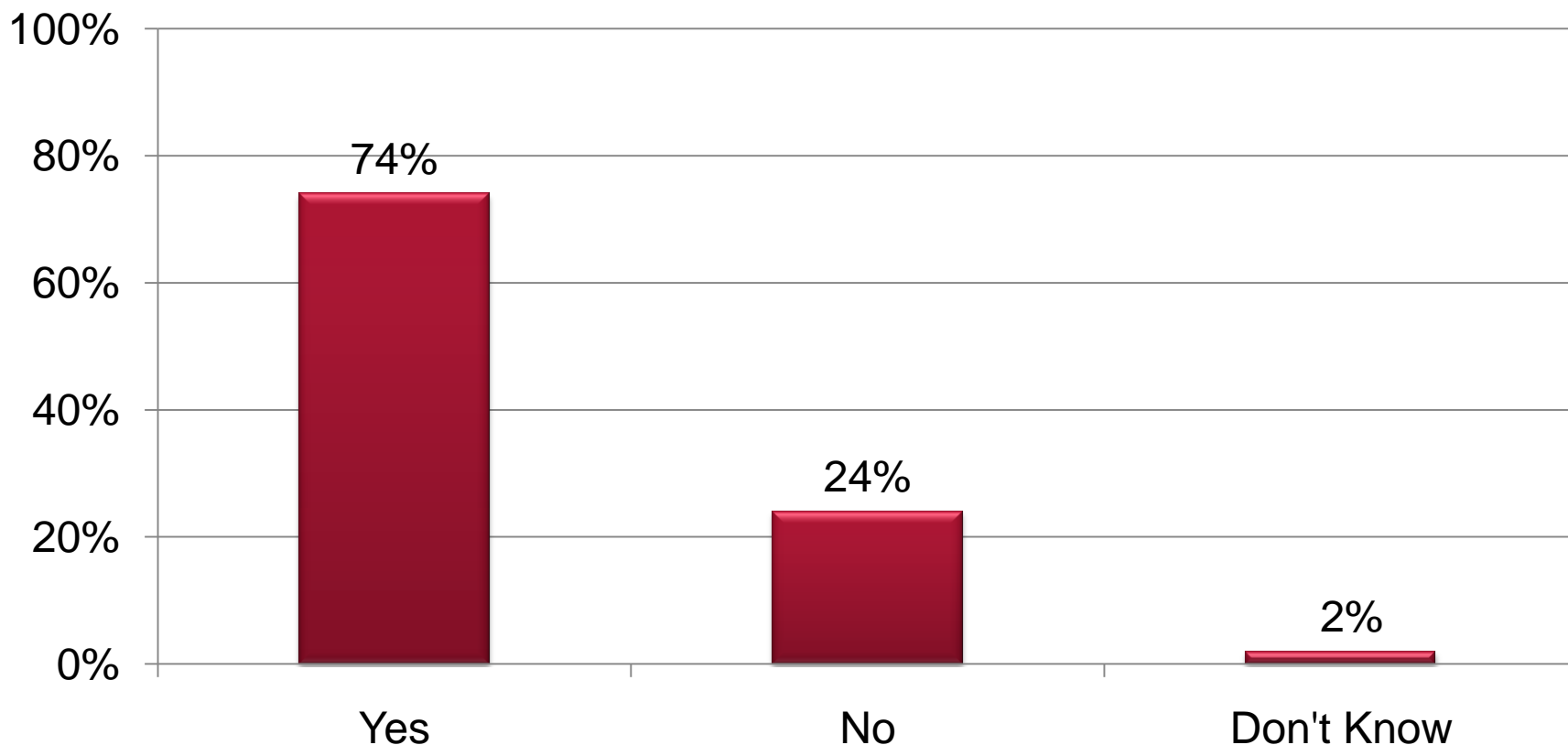
Methodology Continued

- ❑ Responses were weighted to reflect the size and geographic distribution of Protestant churches
- ❑ The completed sample is 1,000 phone interviews
- ❑ The sample provides 95% confidence that the sampling error does not exceed $\pm 3.1\%$
- ❑ Margins of error are higher in sub-groups

Survey Responses

Among Protestant Pastors:

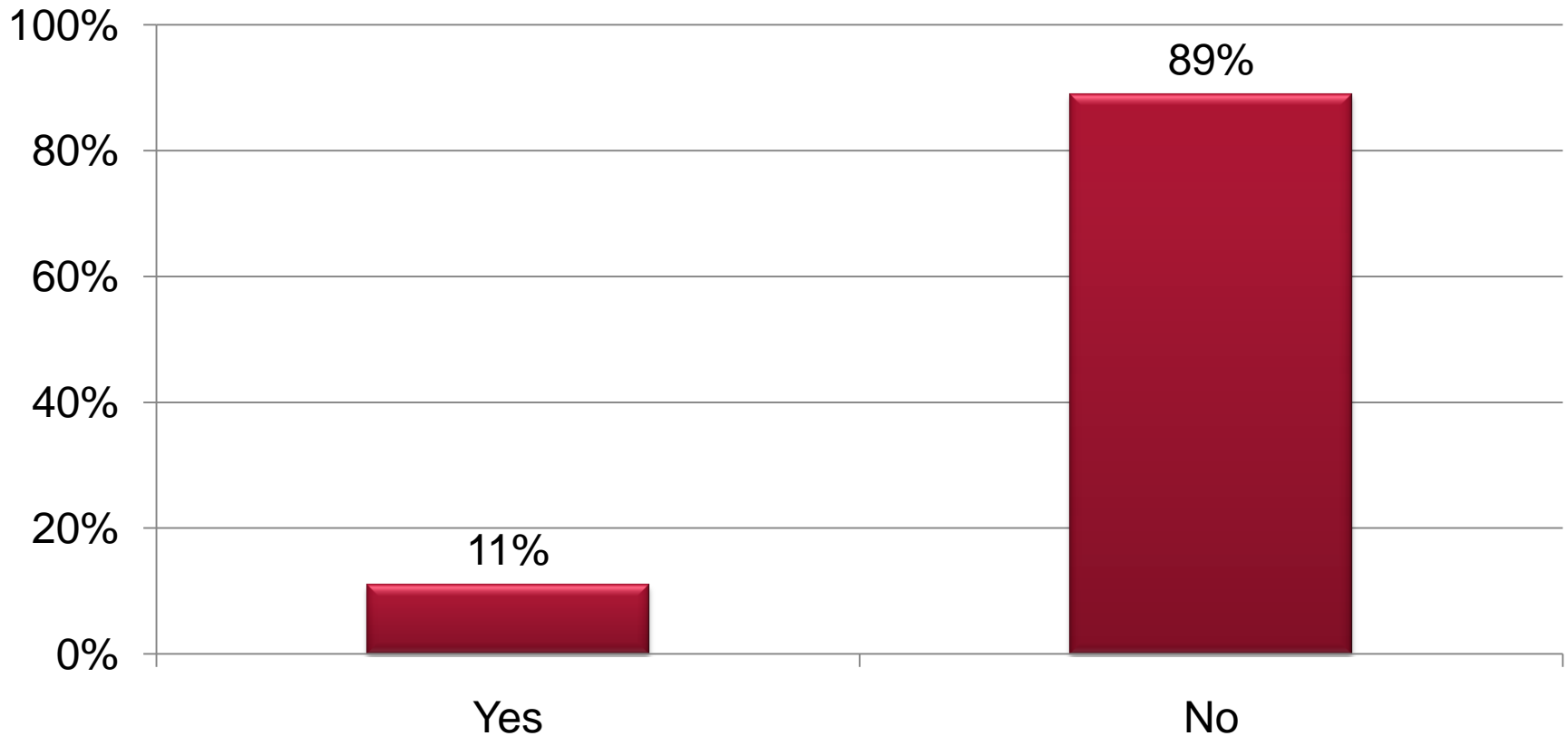
3 in 4 pastors know family, friends, or church members who've experienced domestic or sexual violence



Q18: "Has someone you know among family, friends, or church members experienced domestic or sexual violence such as physical violence, sexual assault, rape, or child sexual abuse?" n=991

Among Protestant Pastors:

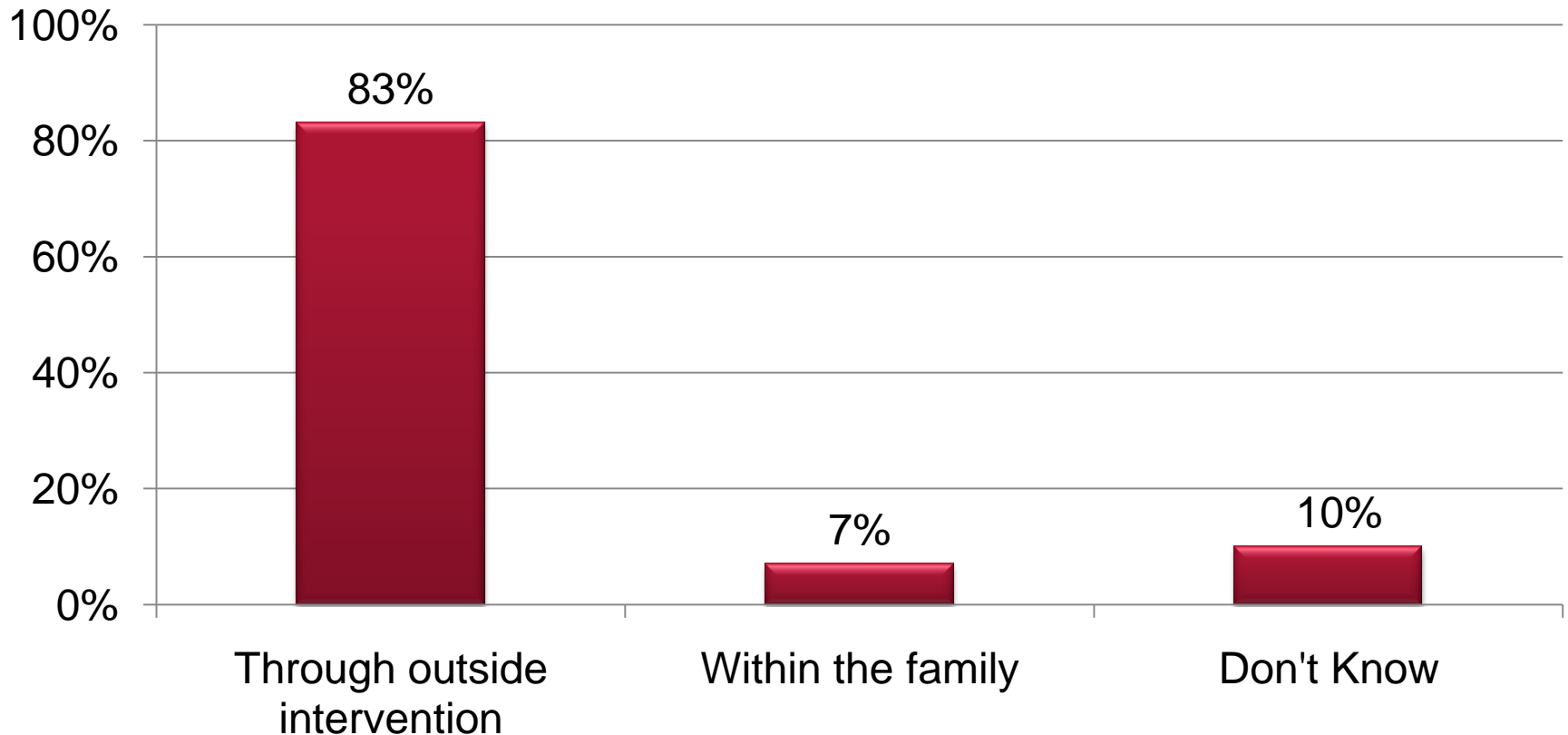
11% of pastors have personally experienced domestic or sexual violence



Q19: "Have you personally experienced a form of domestic or sexual violence such as physical violence, sexual assault, rape, or child sexual abuse?"

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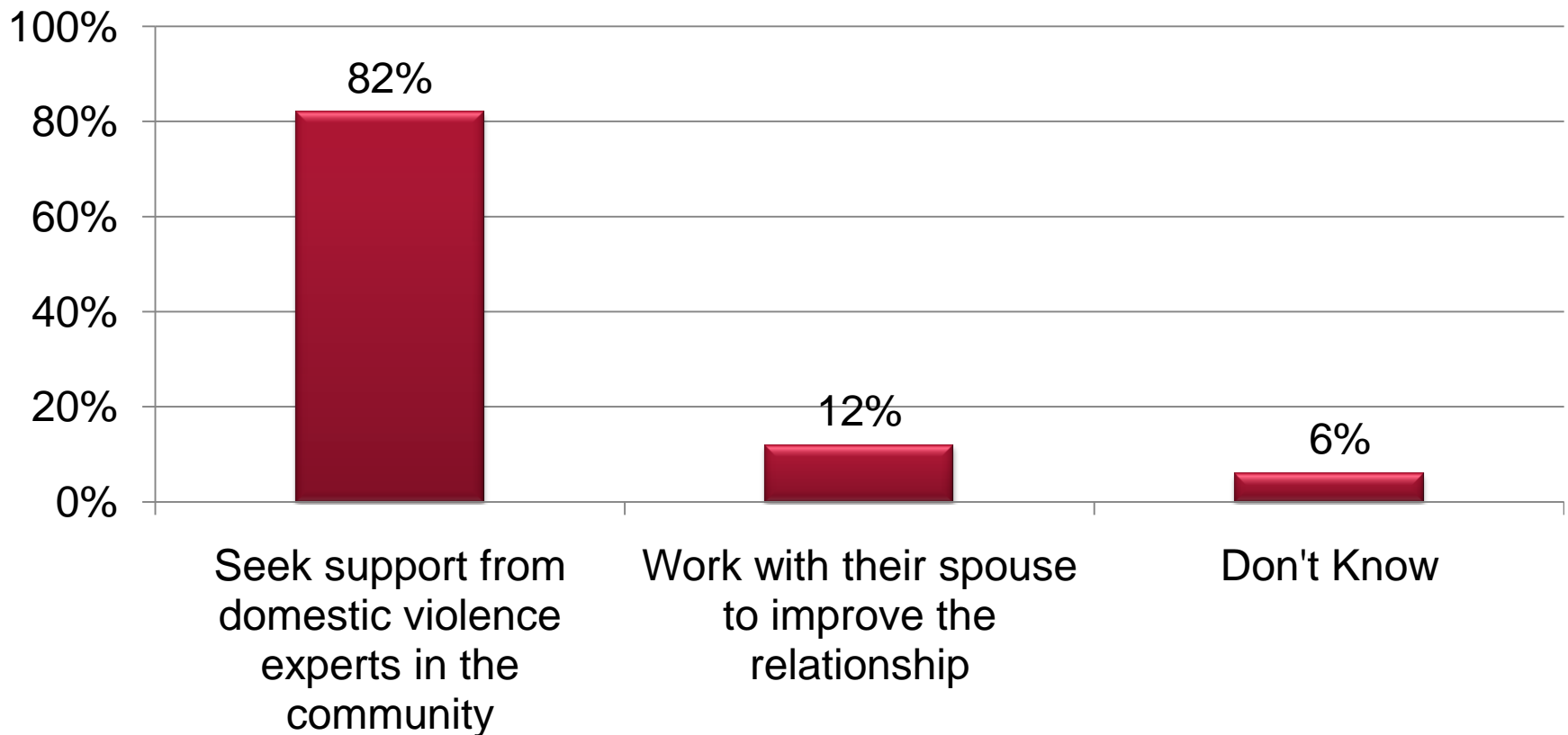
Most opt for outside intervention to resolve acts of domestic/sexual violence that occur within a home



Q20: "If an act of domestic or sexual violence occurs within a home such as physical violence, child abuse, or marital rape, should this primarily be resolved through outside intervention or within the family? (Select One)"

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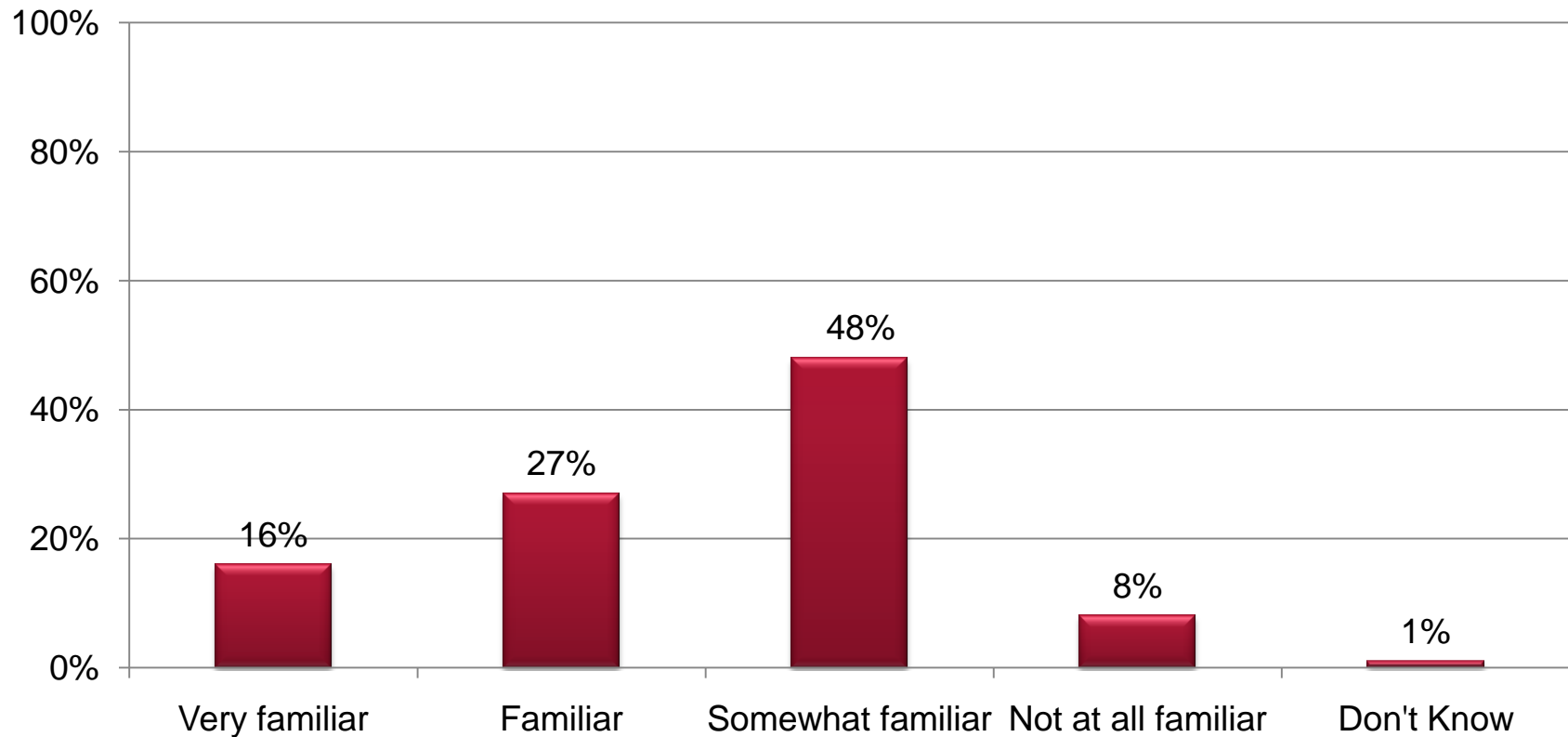
Pastors' first response to someone disclosing on-going violence in their marriage is seeking an expert



Q21: "If someone disclosed to you that they were experiencing on-going domestic or sexual violence in their marriage, which of the following two actions would you counsel that person to take first? (**Select One**)"

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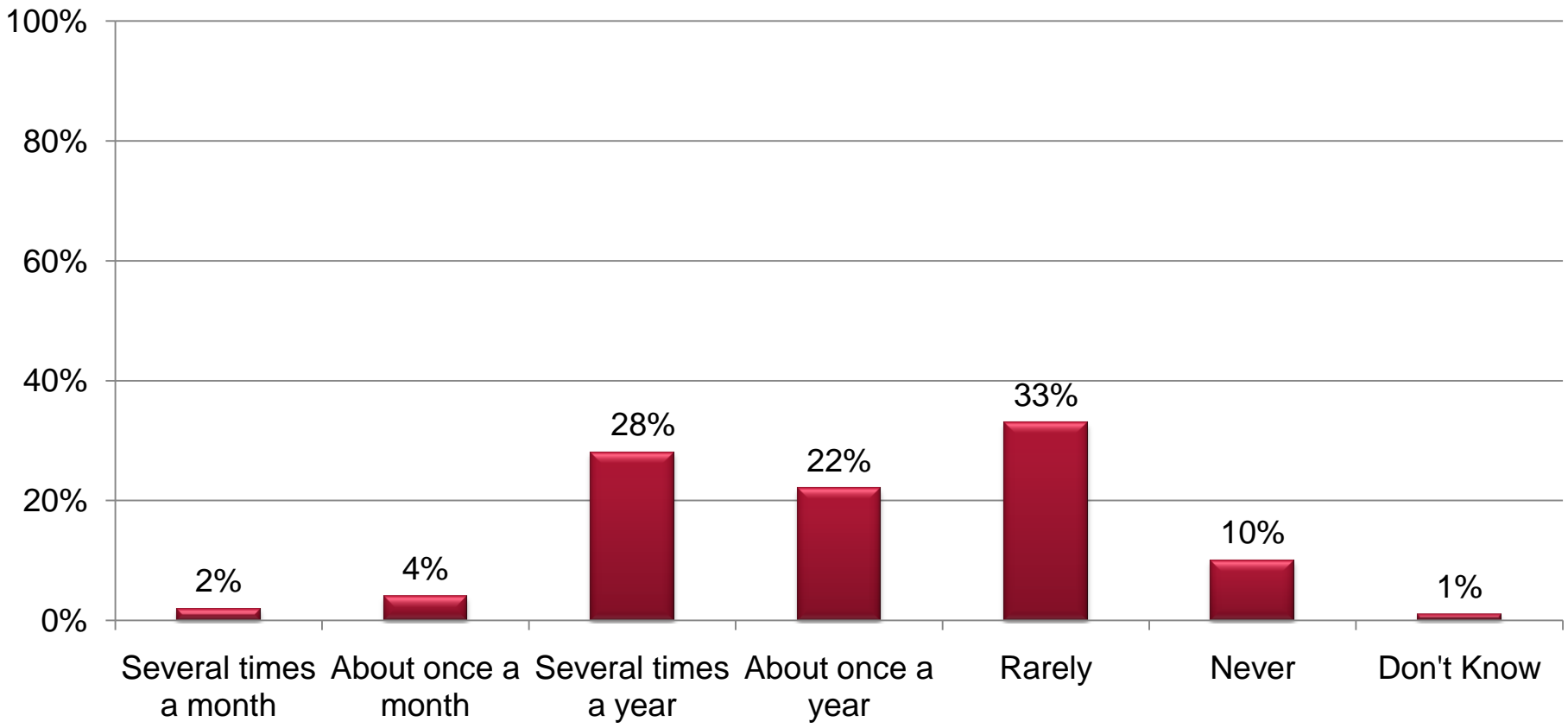
Few pastors are very familiar with local resources that address domestic and sexual violence



Q22: "How familiar are you with your local resources that address domestic and sexual violence? (Select One)."

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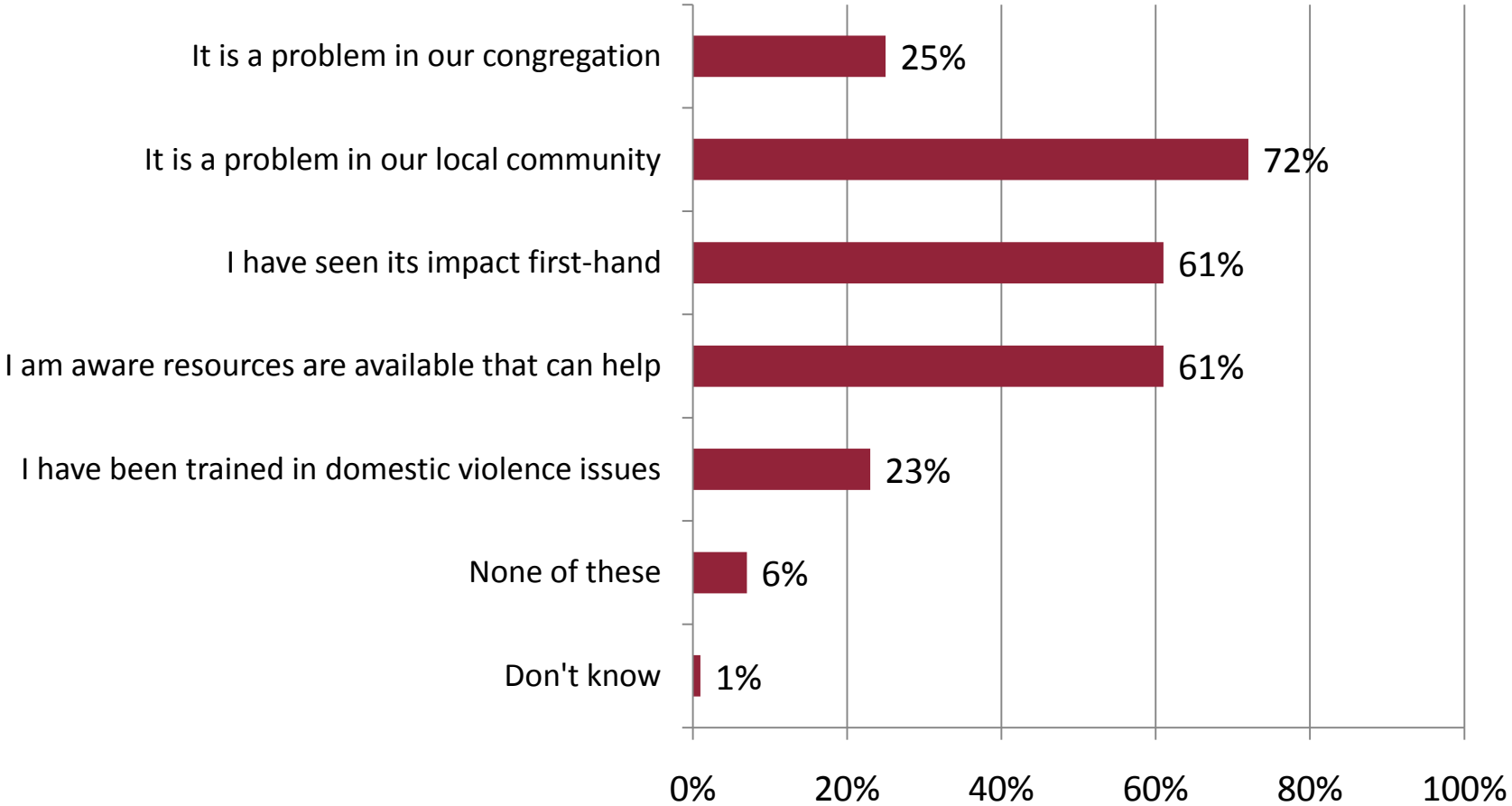
The majority of pastors speak to their church about domestic or sexual violence once a year or more



Q23: "How often do you speak to your church in sermons or large group messages about domestic or sexual violence? (Select One)."

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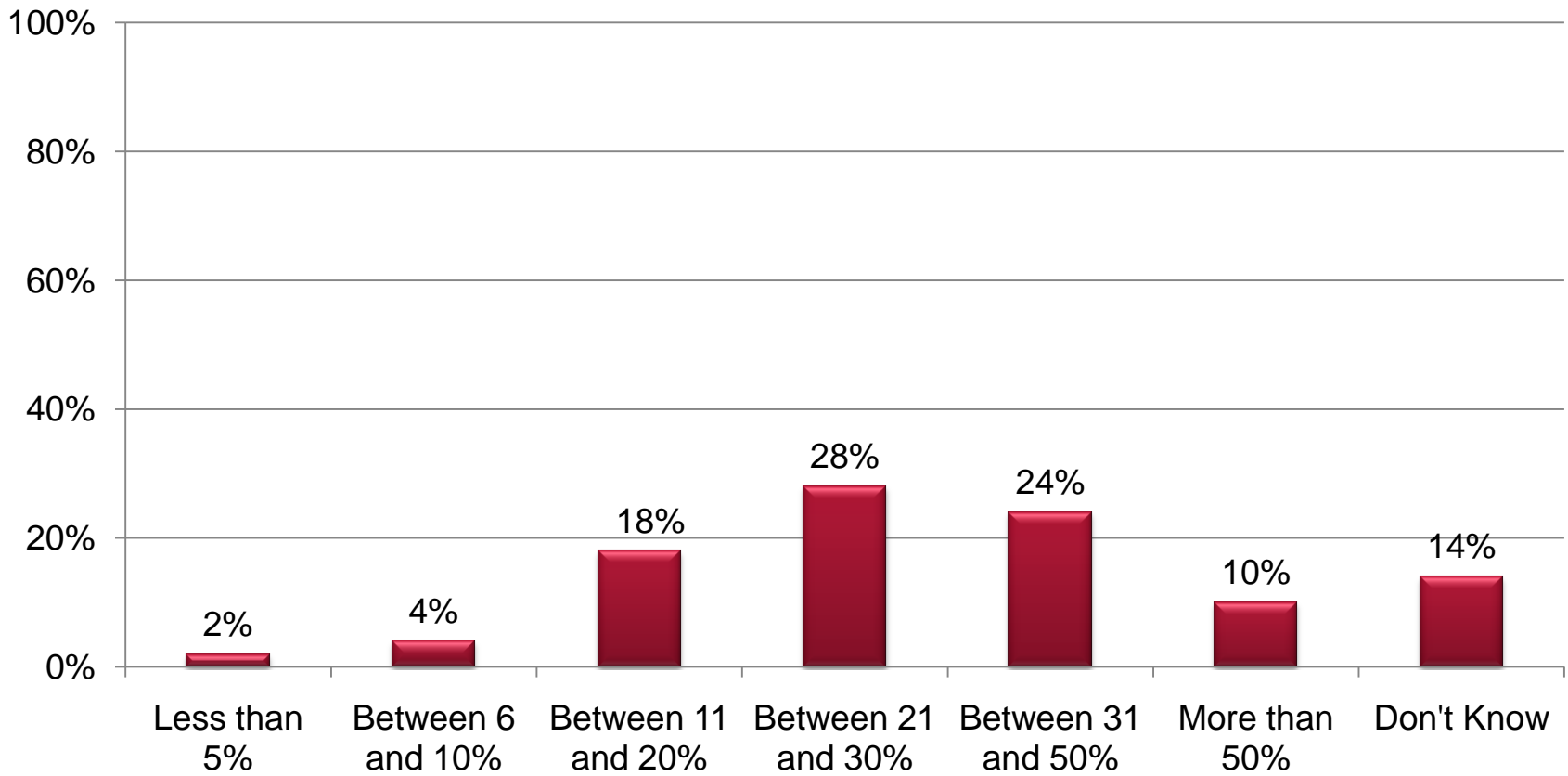
Reasons why pastors do speak about domestic or sexual violence in their church



Q25: "Which of the following, if any, are reasons why you do speak about domestic or sexual violence in your church? (Select all that apply)" n=566

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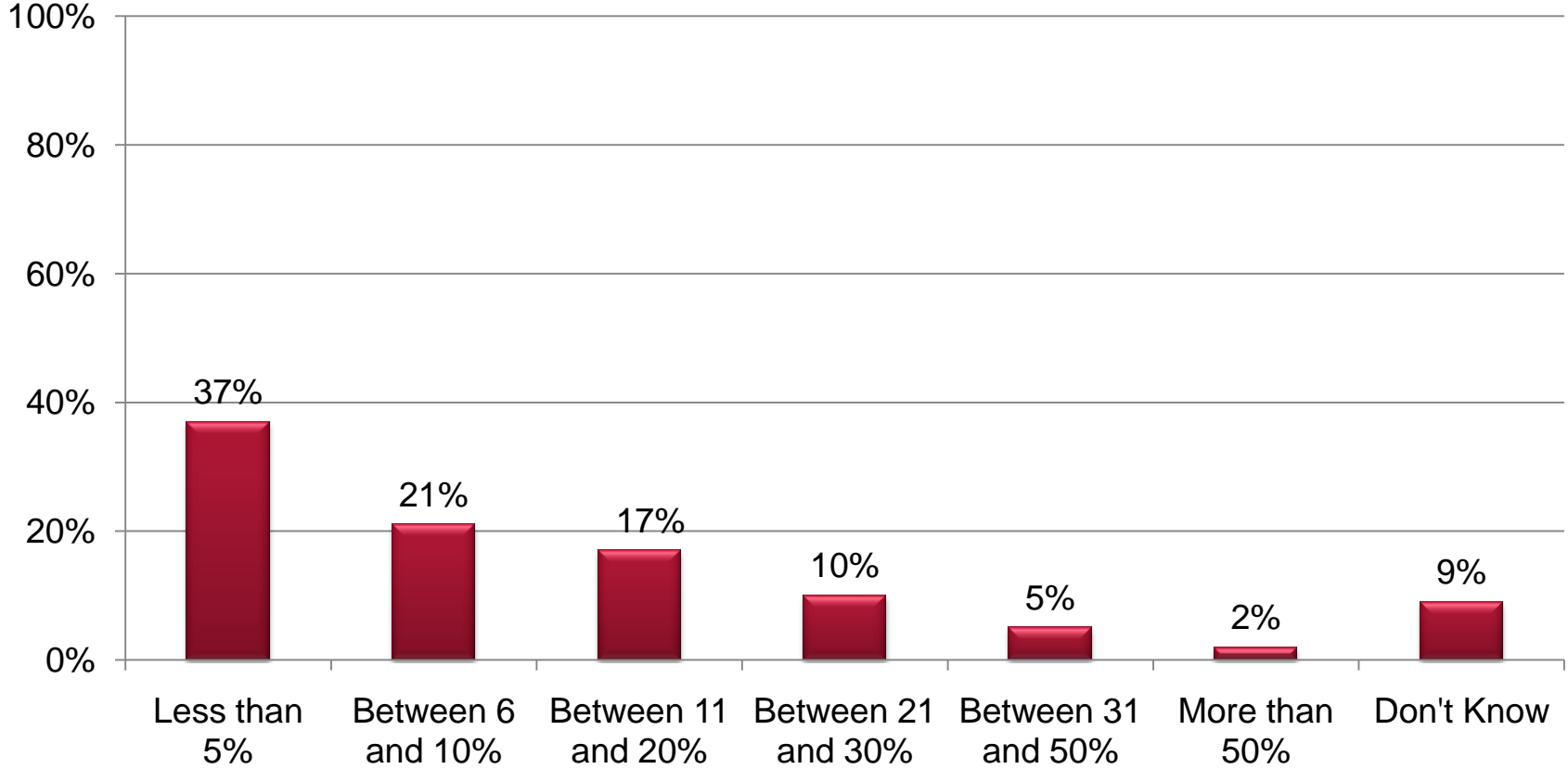
6 in 10 pastors say more than 20% of adults and children in the U.S. population have been victims of domestic or sexual violence



Q28: "What percentage of adults and children in the US population have been victims of domestic or sexual violence?"

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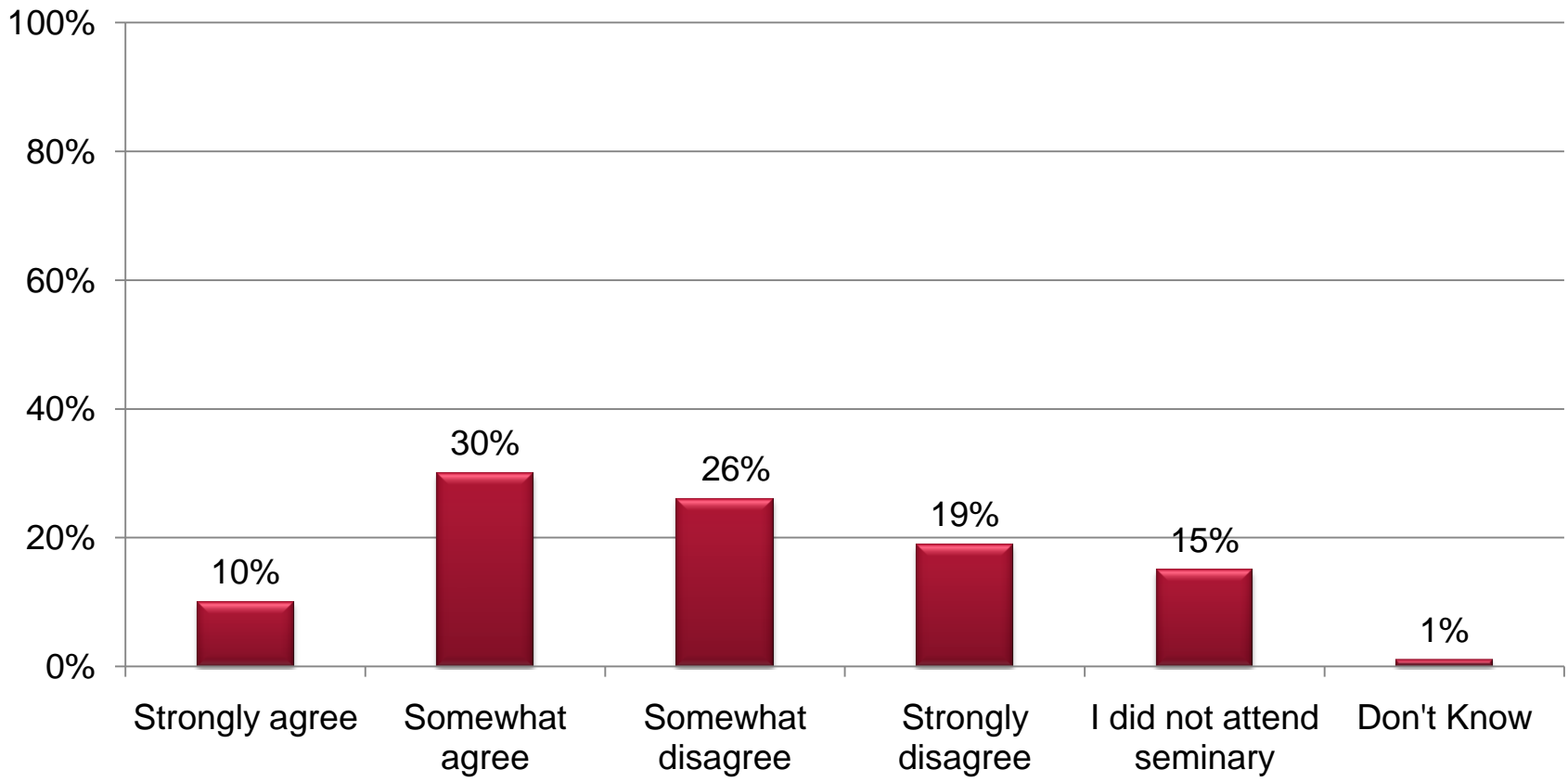
1 in 6 pastors estimate more than 20% of adults and children in their congregation have been victims of domestic violence



Q29: "What percentage of adults and children in your congregation would you estimate have been victims of domestic violence?"

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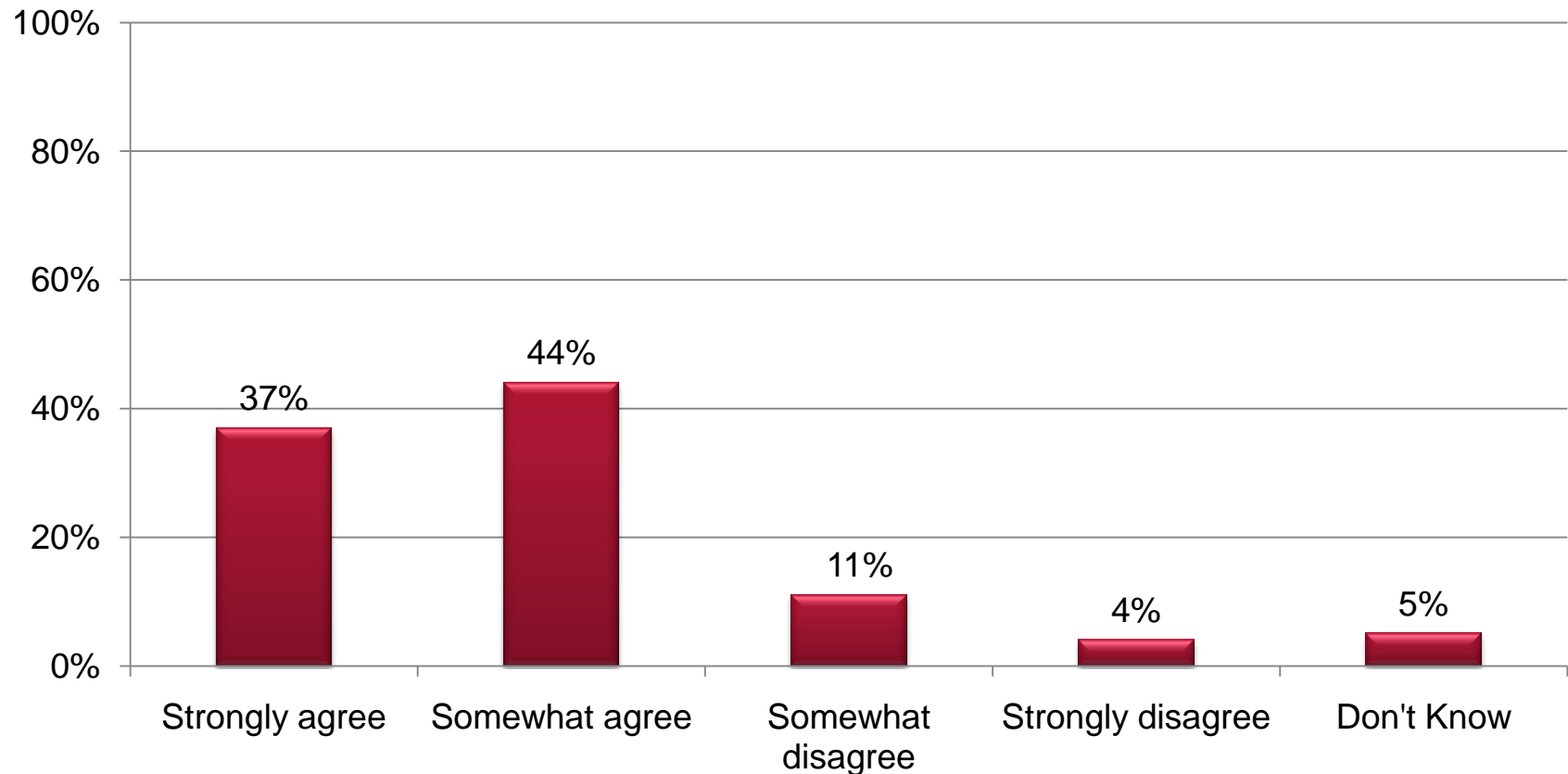
4 in 10 pastors agree their seminary training provided them with sufficient resources to address situations of domestic violence



Q30: "Please indicate your level of agreement with each of the following statements: As a pastor, my seminary training provided me with sufficient resources to address situations of domestic violence."

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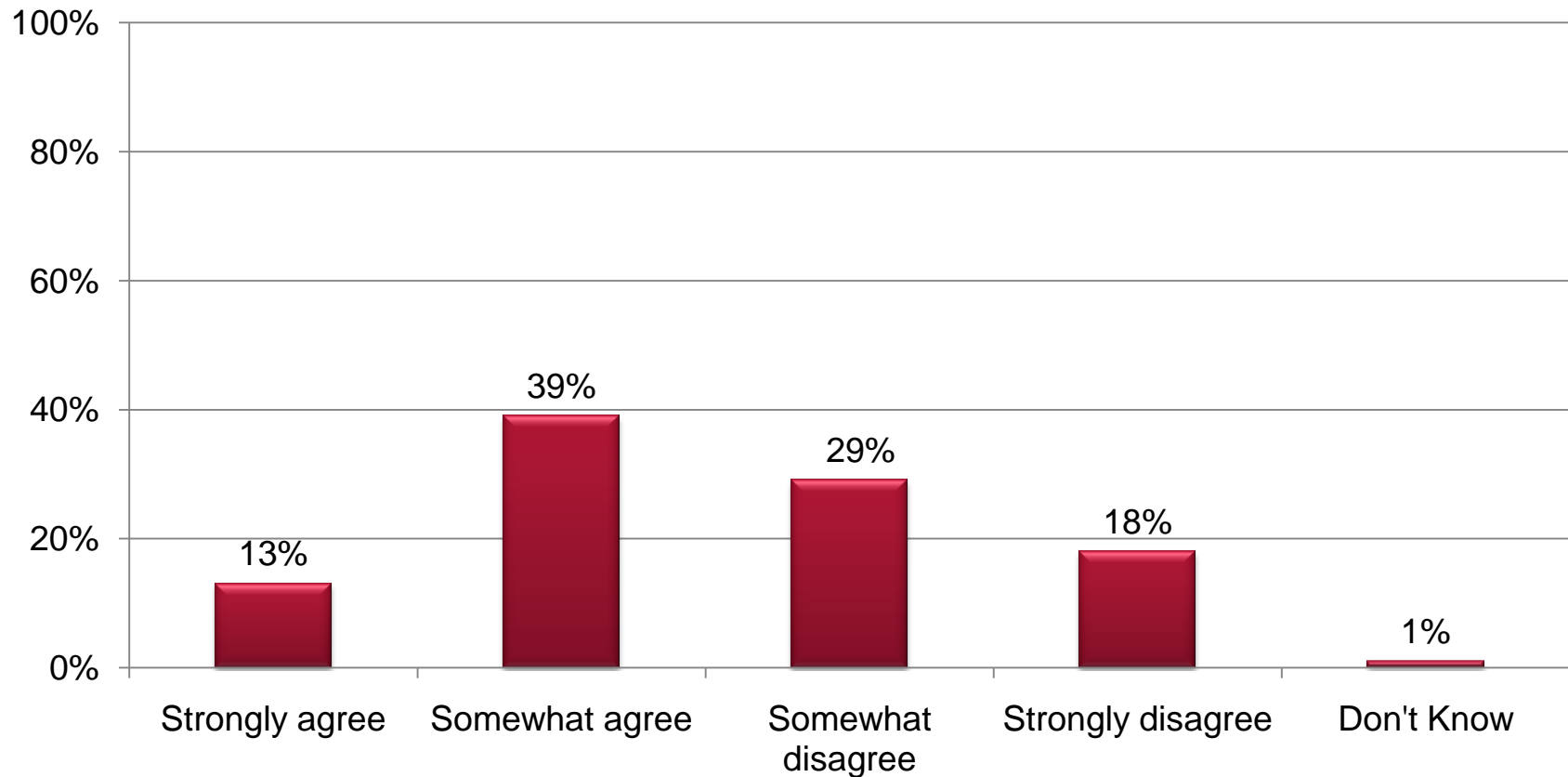
8 in 10 pastors would take action to reduce domestic and sexual violence if they had training and resources



Q33: "Please indicate your level of agreement with each of the following statements: If I had training and resources, I would take action to reduce domestic and sexual violence. (Select One)"

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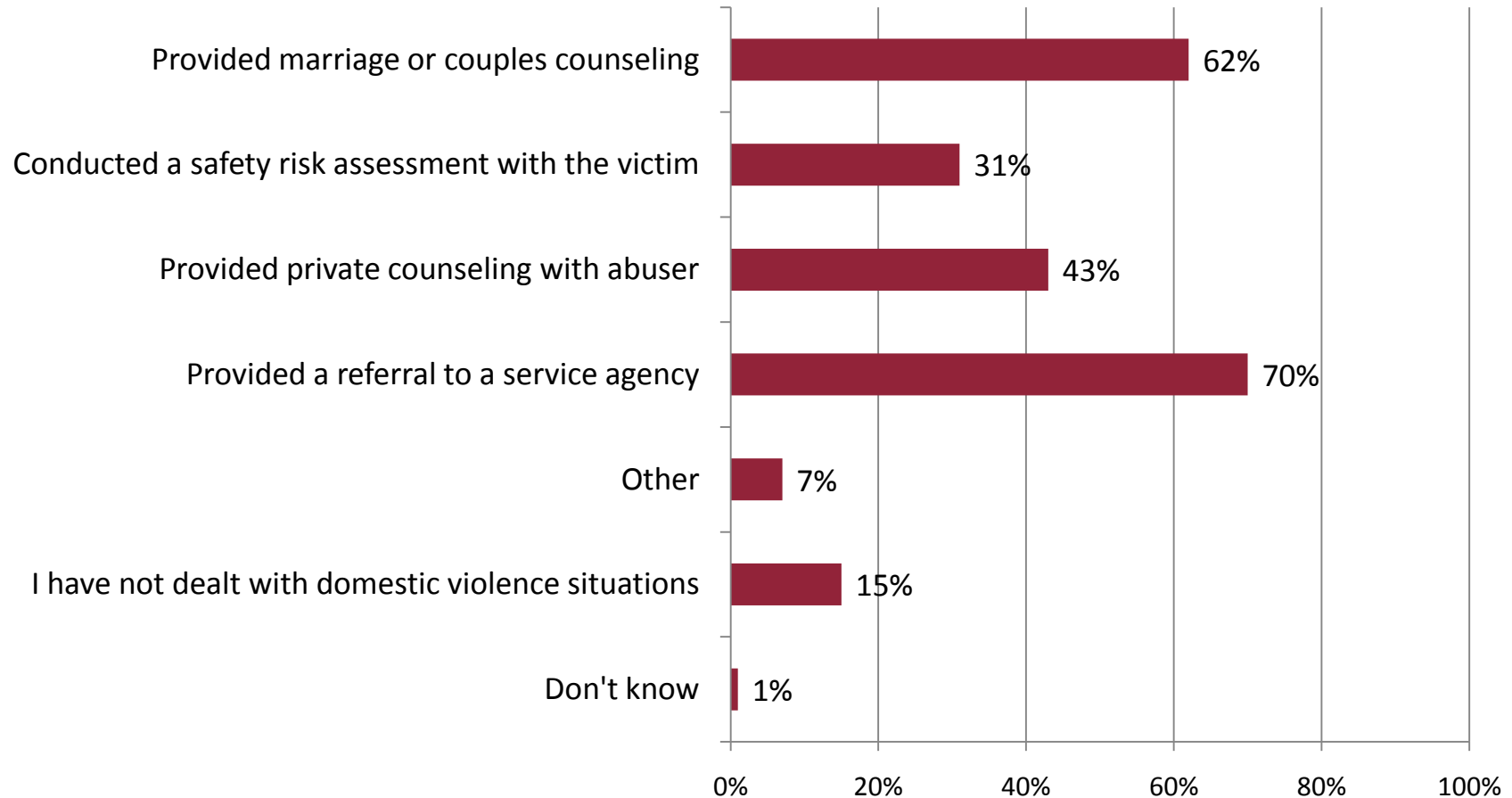
The majority of pastors agree they do not have sufficient training to address situations of domestic or sexual violence



Q37: "Please indicate your level of agreement with each of the following statements: As a pastor, I do not have sufficient training to address situations of domestic or sexual violence. (Select One)"

Among Protestant Pastors:

Responses pastors have used when dealing with domestic and sexual violence situations



Q38: "Of the following responses, which have you used when dealing with domestic and sexual violence situations? (Select all that apply)"

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