



OMNI - PETA

*The importation of endangered monkeys into
Canada*

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METHODOLOGY

The survey was conducted with 2,193 adult Canadians from January 22 to 26, 2025. A random sample of panelists were invited to complete the survey from a set partner panel based on the Lucid exchange platform. These partners are typically double opt-in survey panels, blended to manage out potential skews in the data from a single source.

The margin of error for a comparable probability-based random sample of the same size is +/- 2.093%, 19 times out of 20.

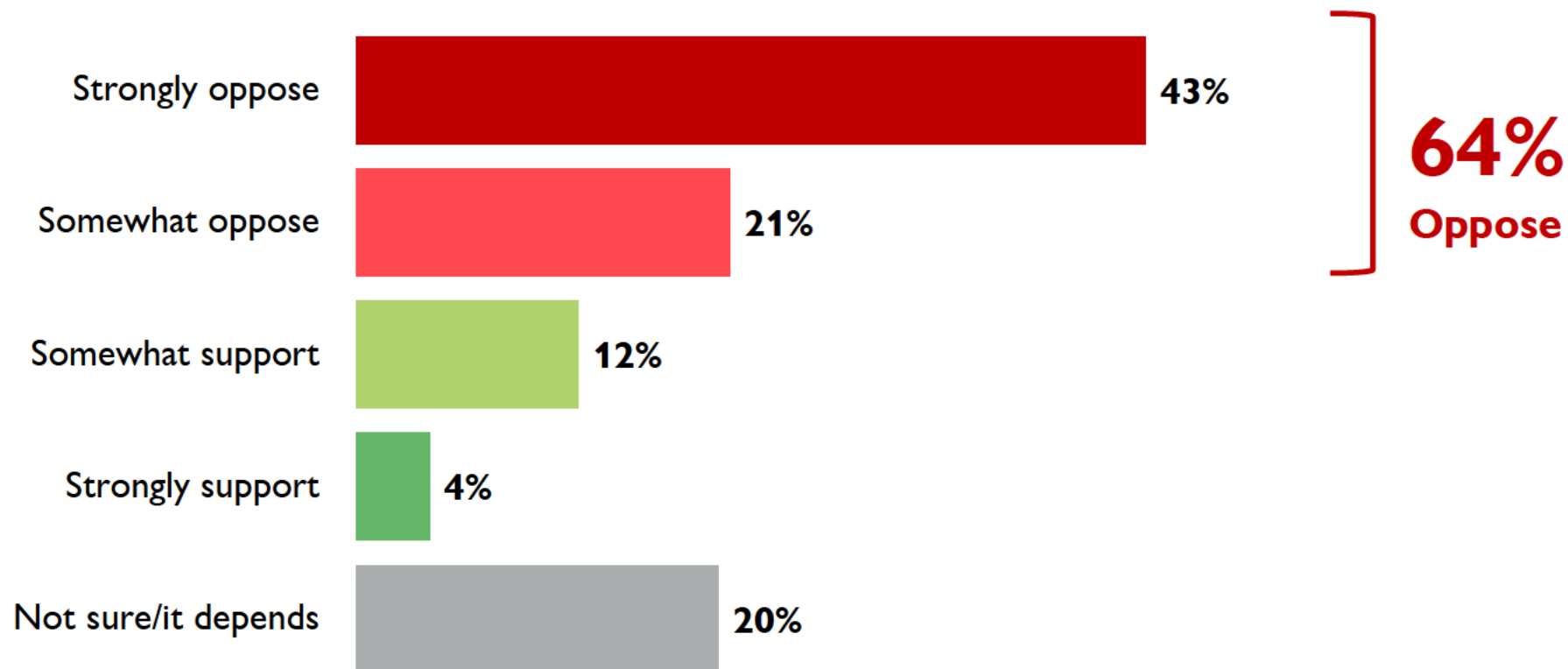
The data were weighted according to census data to ensure that the sample matched Canada's population according to age, gender, educational attainment, and region. Totals may not add up to 100 due to rounding.





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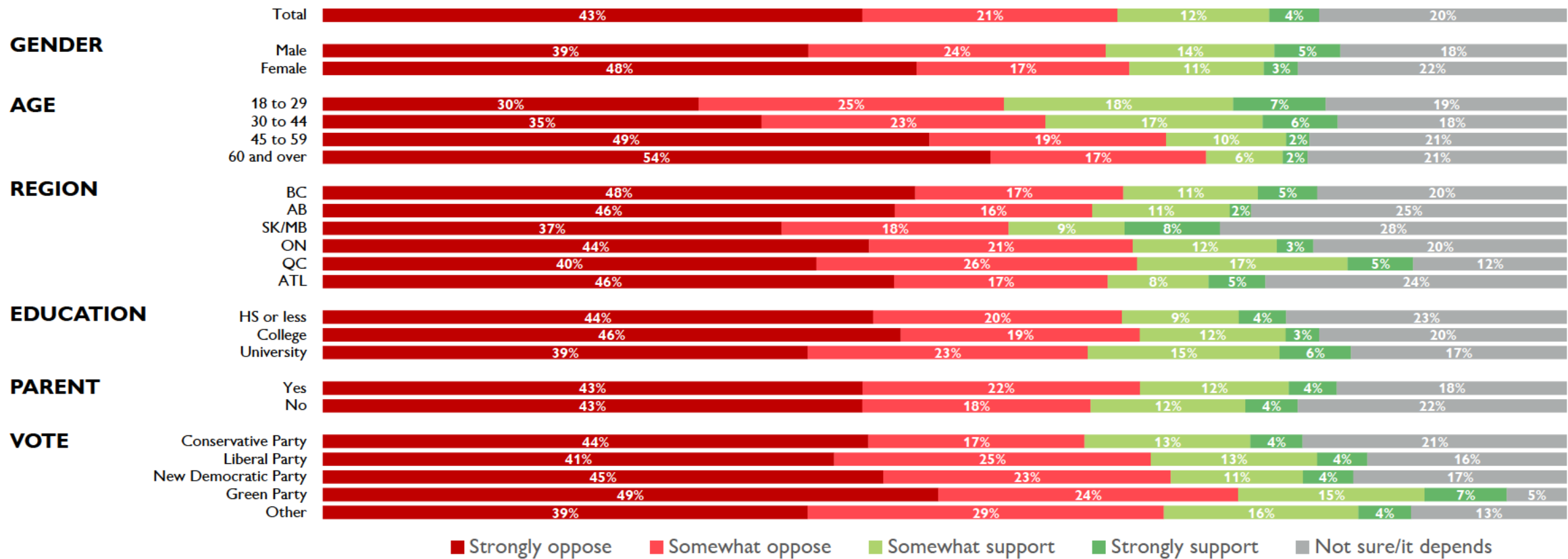
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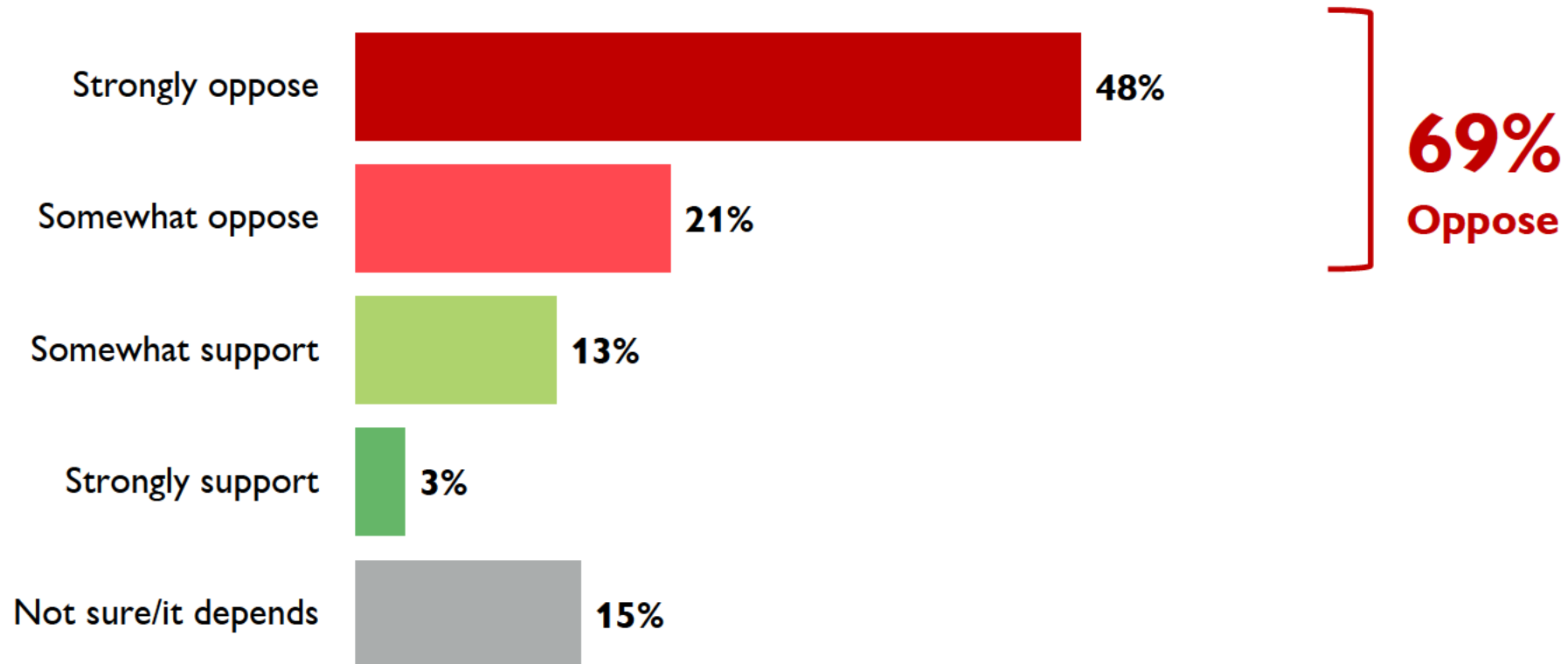
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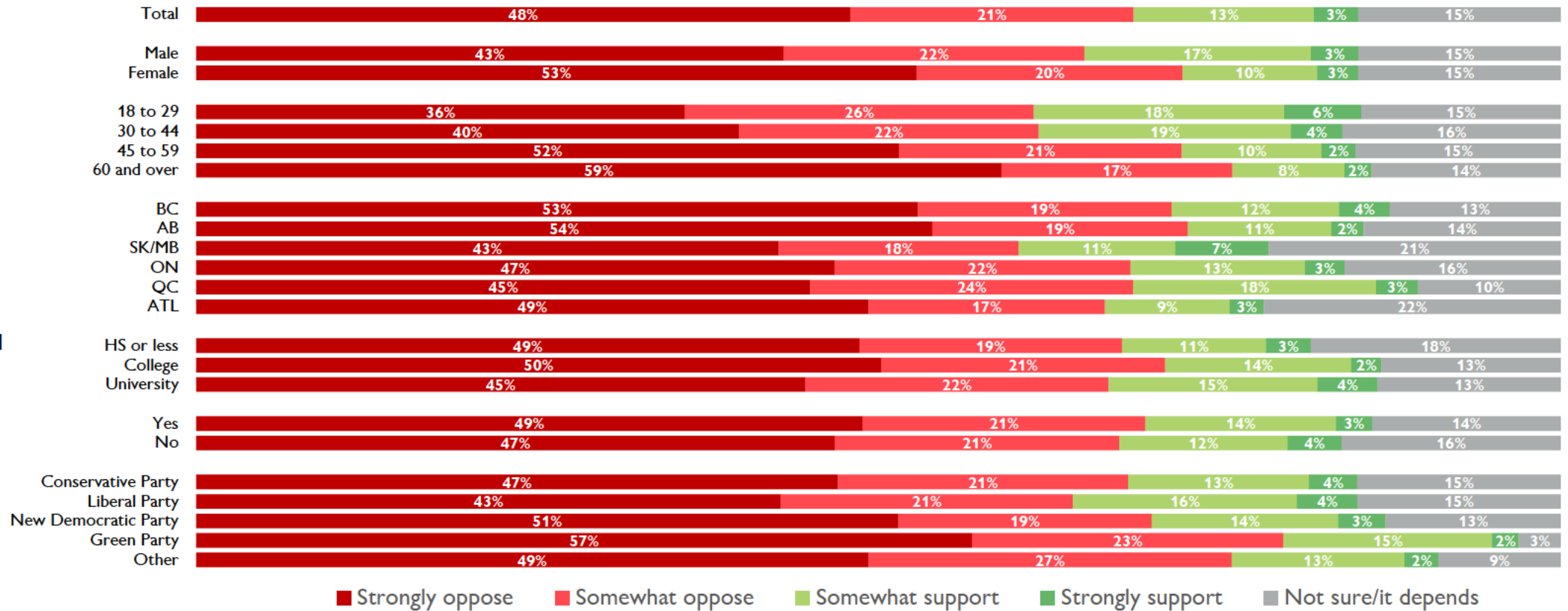
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Some people say it is necessary to bring thousands of endangered monkeys to Canada, even though it may be unpalatable, because testing on non-human primates is an unavoidable step in getting life-saving medications to market for people



24%

Other people say there is no excuse for importing endangered monkeys for experimentation, in Canada or anywhere, because these non-human primates feel pain and fear just like people and there are other effective methods for testing medicines that don't...



76%

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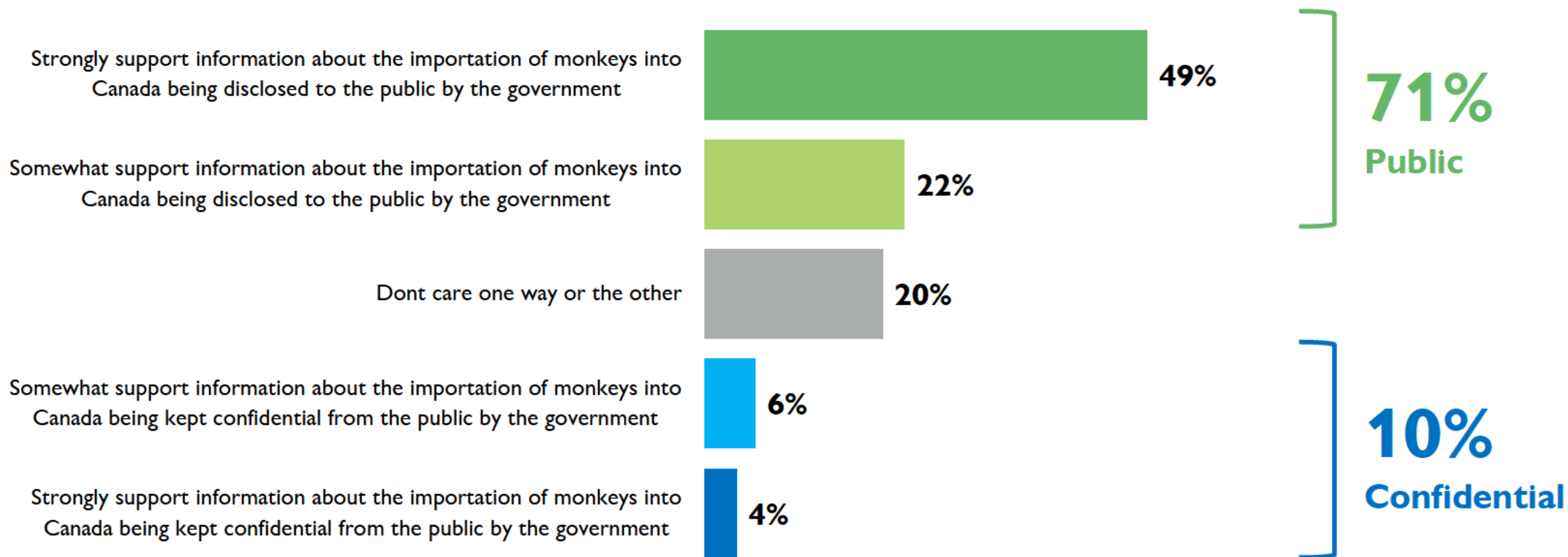


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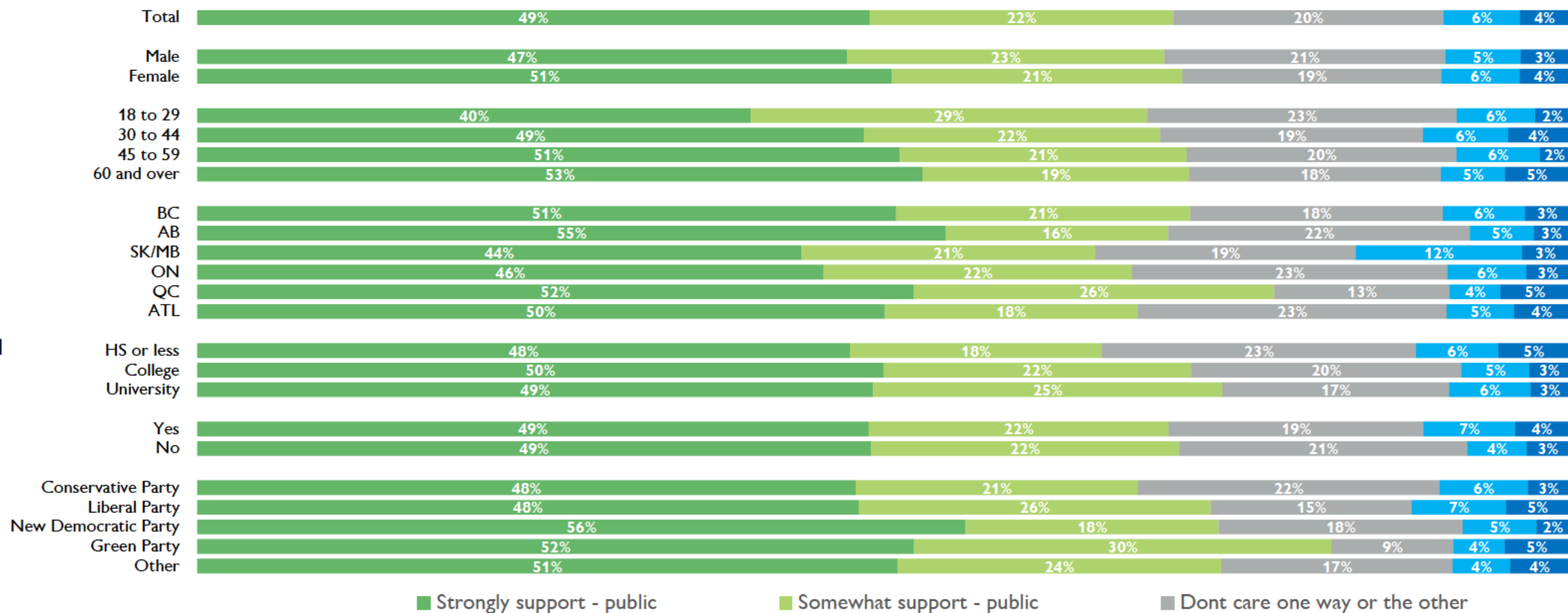


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