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Public Opinion on Energy Issues and National Energy Policy

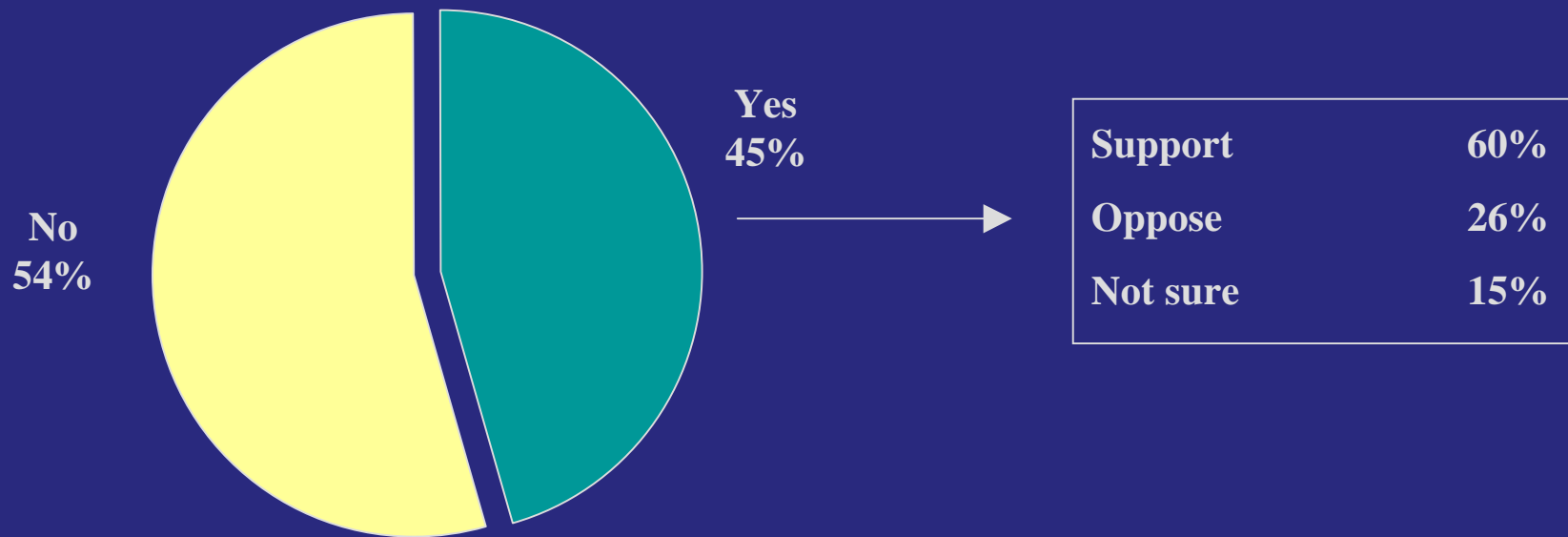
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Knowledge and Support of Bush Administration's National Energy Policy

“Have you read, seen, or heard anything about the Bush Administration's National Energy Policy?”

“And do you **support** or **oppose** the implementation of the National Energy Policy?”

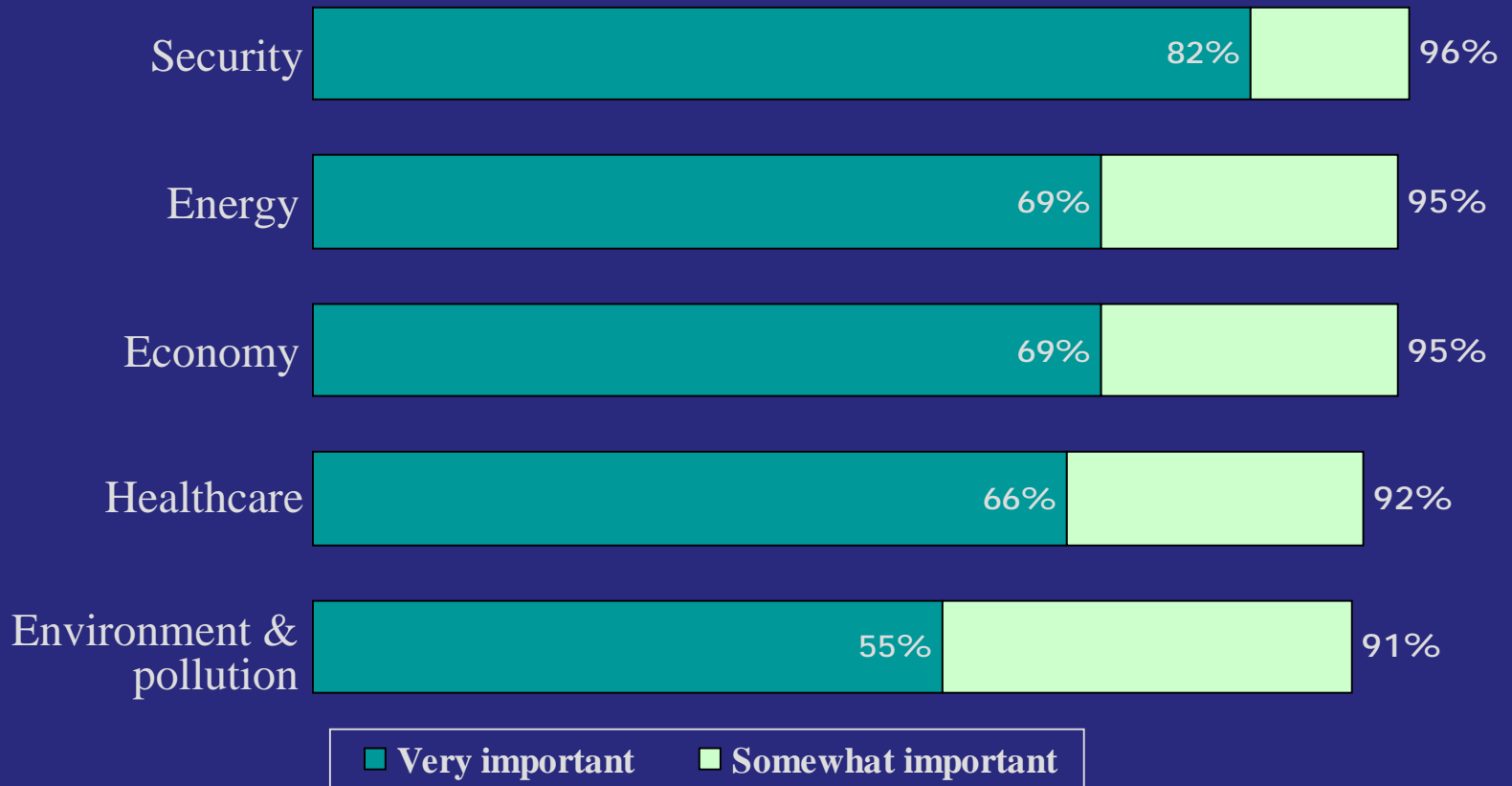


*Source: Preliminary results, Ipsos-Reid Syndicated Energy Survey
N=532 Margin of Error \pm 4.3%.*



Importance of Selected Issues for Federal Government to Address

*“Would you say it is very important, somewhat important, not very important, or not at all important that the Federal Government address..”
(percent who say “very/somewhat important”)*



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Attitudes Toward Energy Issues

*“Please tell me whether you **strongly agree**, **somewhat agree**, **somewhat disagree**, or **strongly disagree** with each of the following statements.”*

Decreasing dependence on foreign oil and gas is important to national security **86%**

Increasing domestic production of oil and gas is important to national security **78%**

New technologies have made it possible to explore for oil and gas in environmentally friendly ways **74%**

The introduction of a national energy policy will help to boost energy conservation efforts **71%**

Passing national energy policy will improve economy and put people back to work **64%**

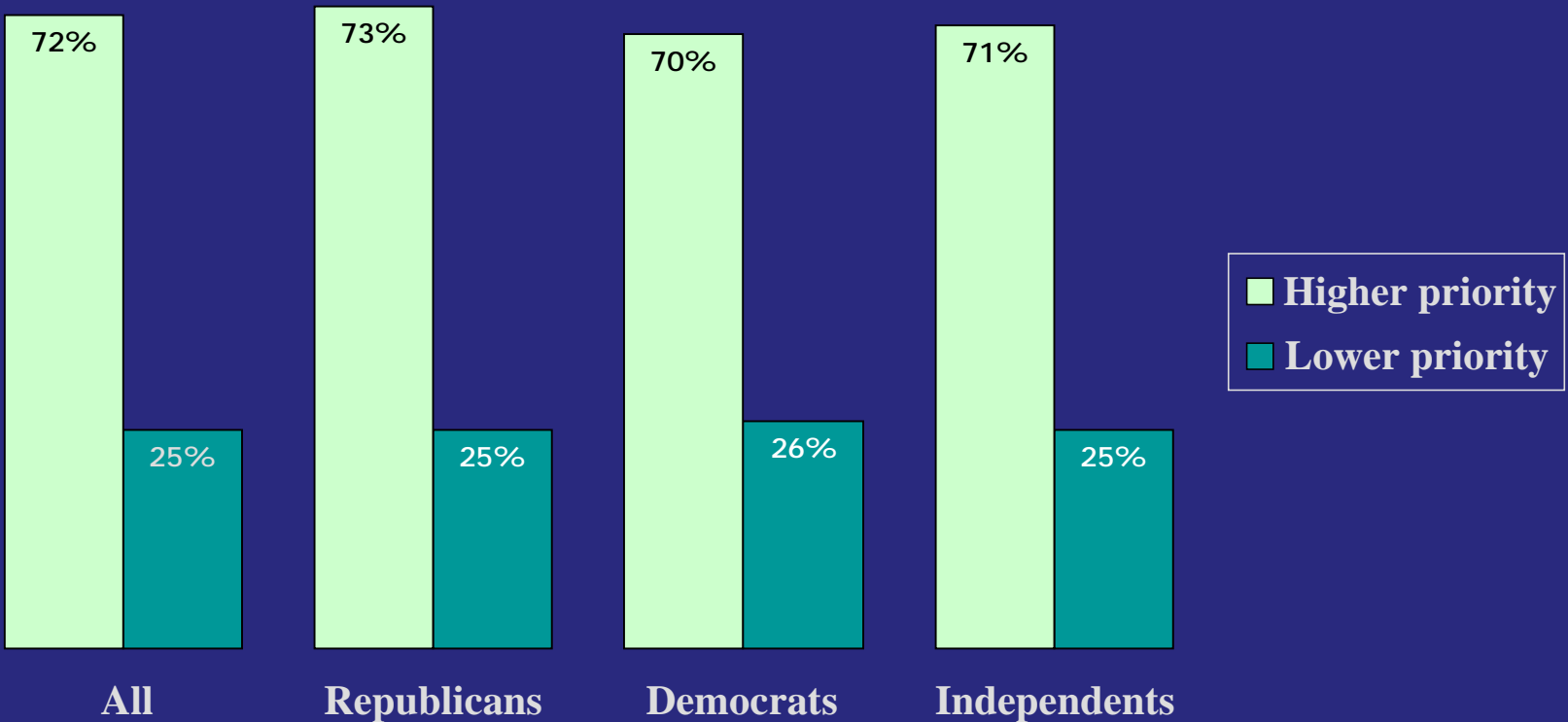


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Priority of U.S. Energy Policy Bill

*“One of the issues being debated in Congress is the Energy Bill, to set new national policies on issues related to energy, oil exploration, development of alternative fuels.... Does the current situation with the economy, the war on terrorism and other issues in the U.S. make the energy policy bill a **much higher priority**, a **somewhat higher priority**, a **somewhat lower priority**, or a **much lower priority** compared to other action Congress might take these days?”*
(Percent who say “much/somewhat higher priority” & “somewhat/much lower priority”)



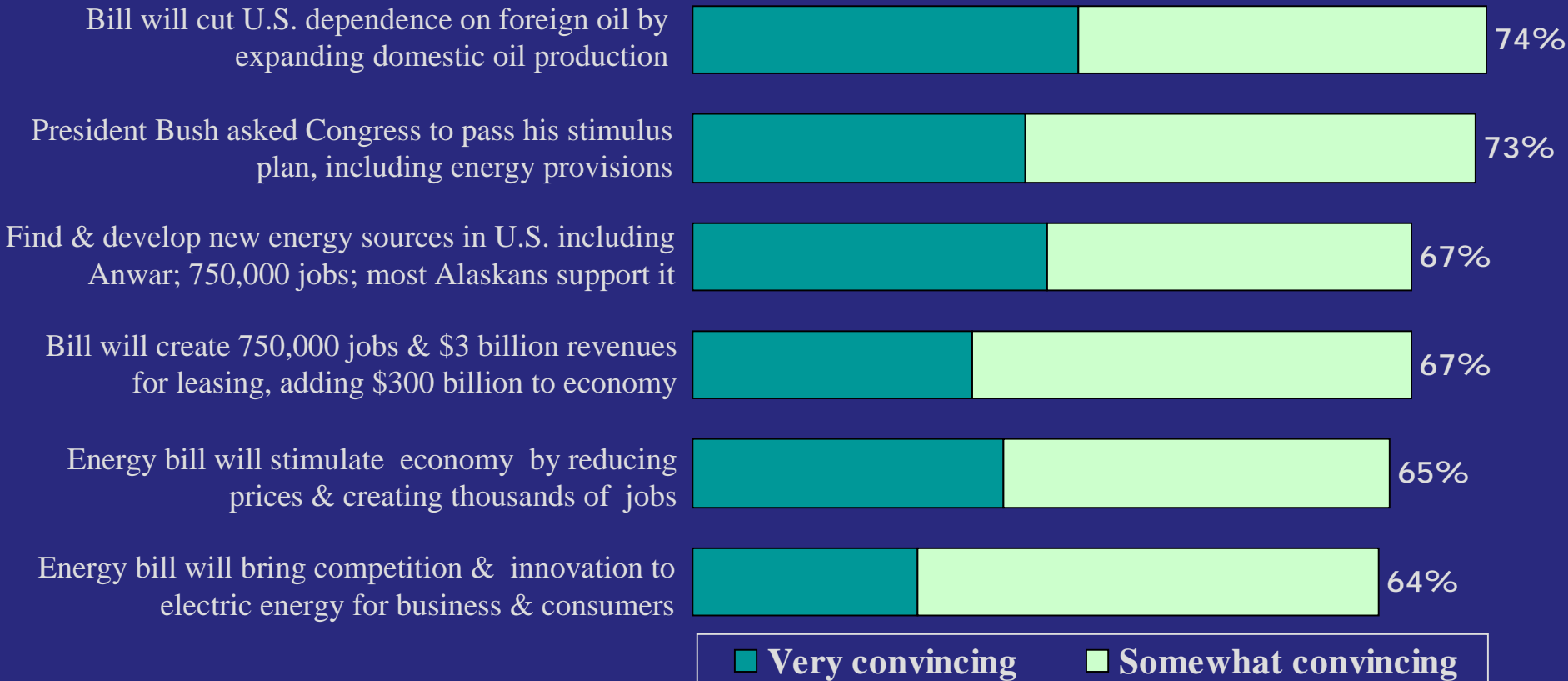
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Reasons for Passing Energy Policy Bill

*“I will read you some statements people make in support of President Bush’s energy policy bill, and for each one I read, tell me if that is a **very convincing**, **somewhat convincing**, **not too convincing**, or **not at all convincing** reason for passing President Bush’s energy policy bill.*

*How convincing is the argument that...?
(percent who say “very/somewhat convincing”)*



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