

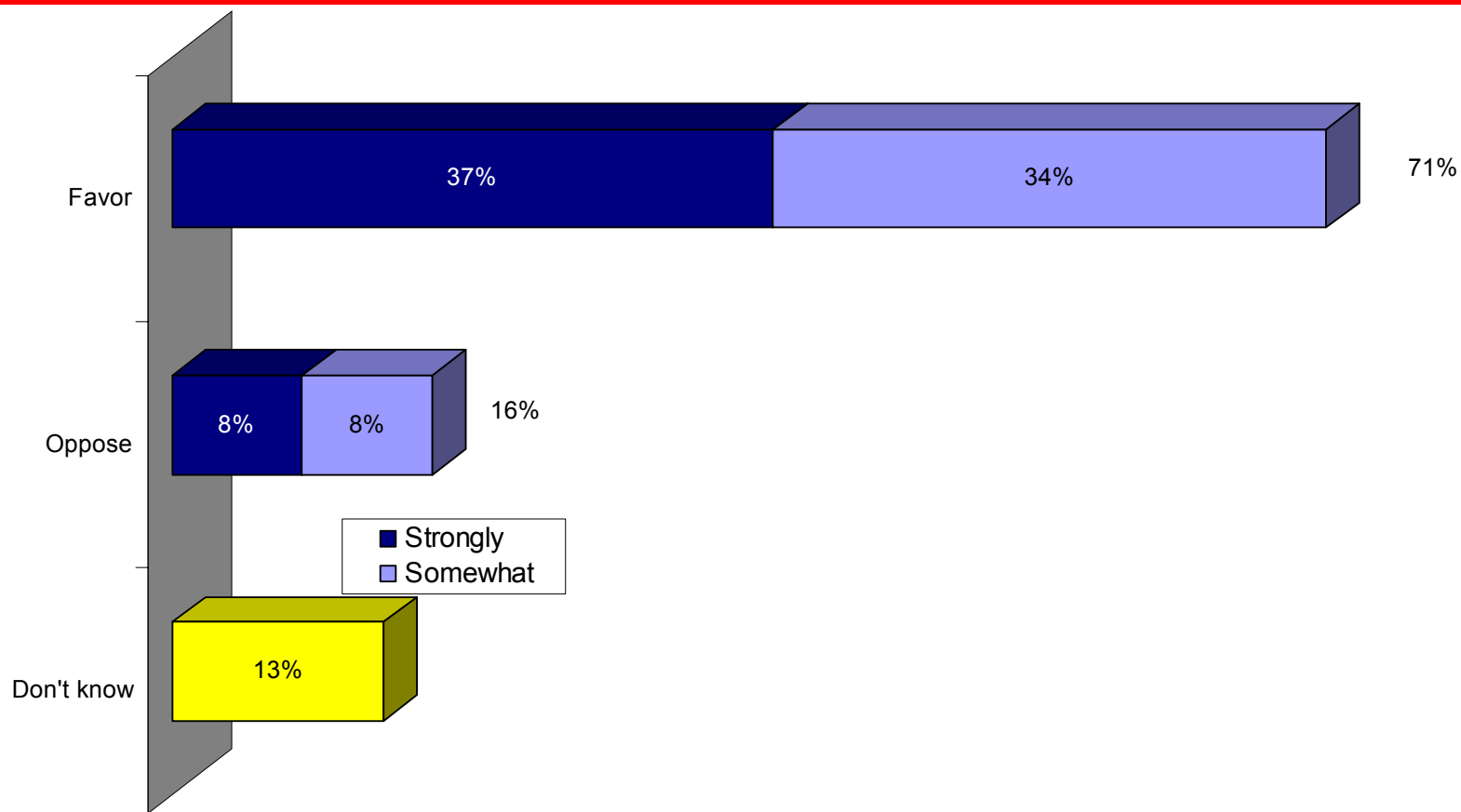
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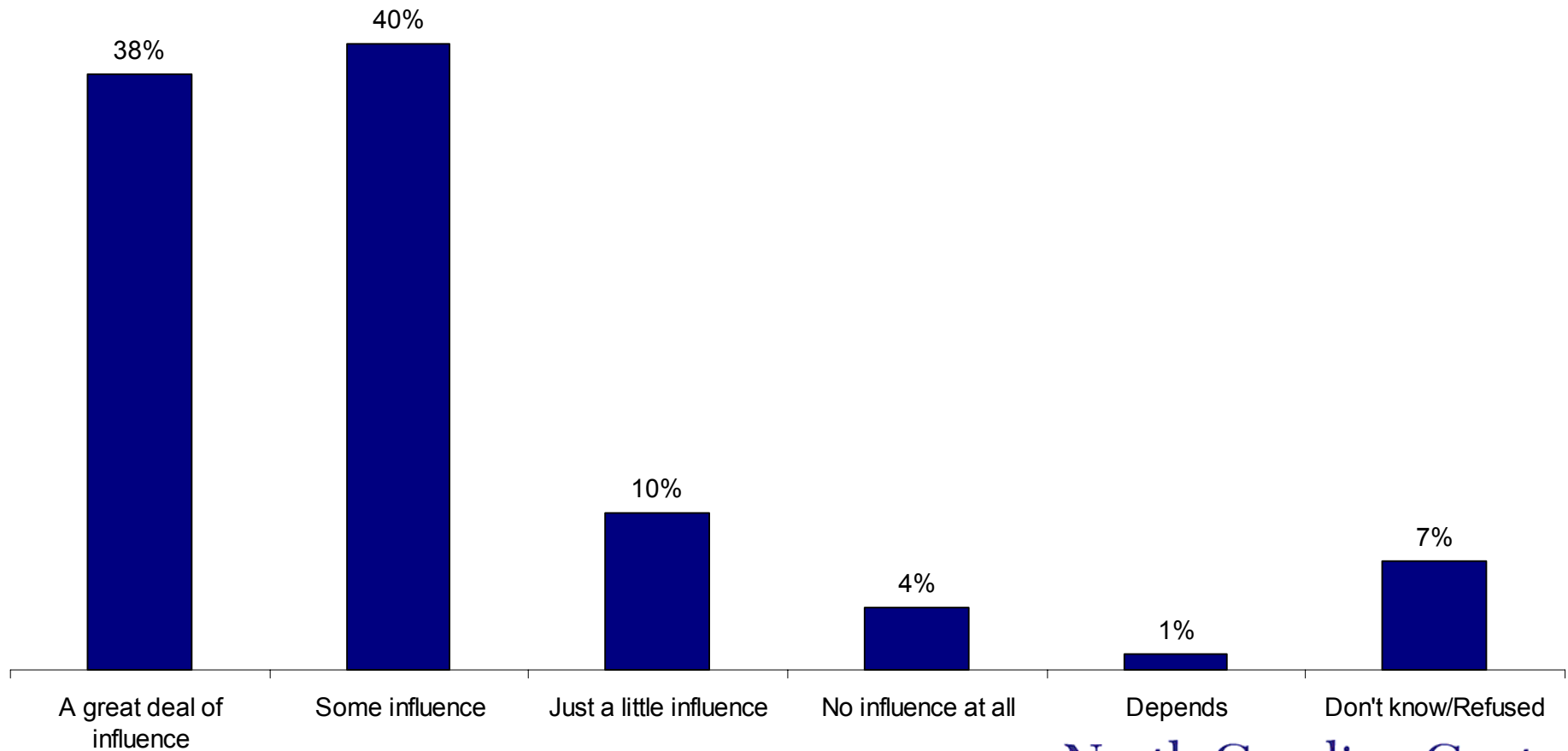


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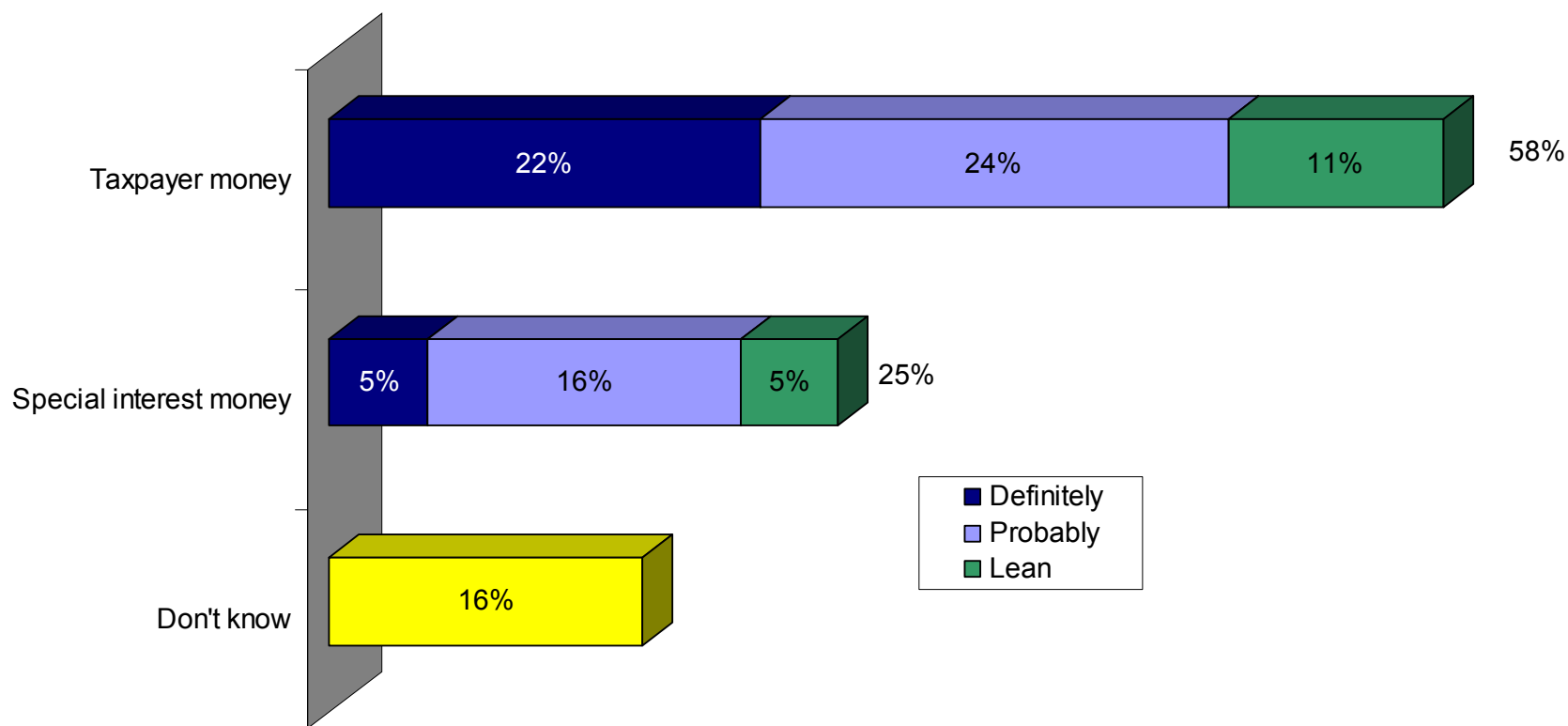
As you may know, there is a proposal in the state legislature to reform judicial elections. Under this proposal statewide judicial candidates would be given public campaign funding if they agree to not take special interest contributions and adhere to spending limits. The proposal would also make judicial elections non-partisan and provide for voter guides explaining judicial candidates' positions on the issues and experience. Would you favor or oppose this proposal?



How much influence do you think campaign contributions made to judges have on their decisions?

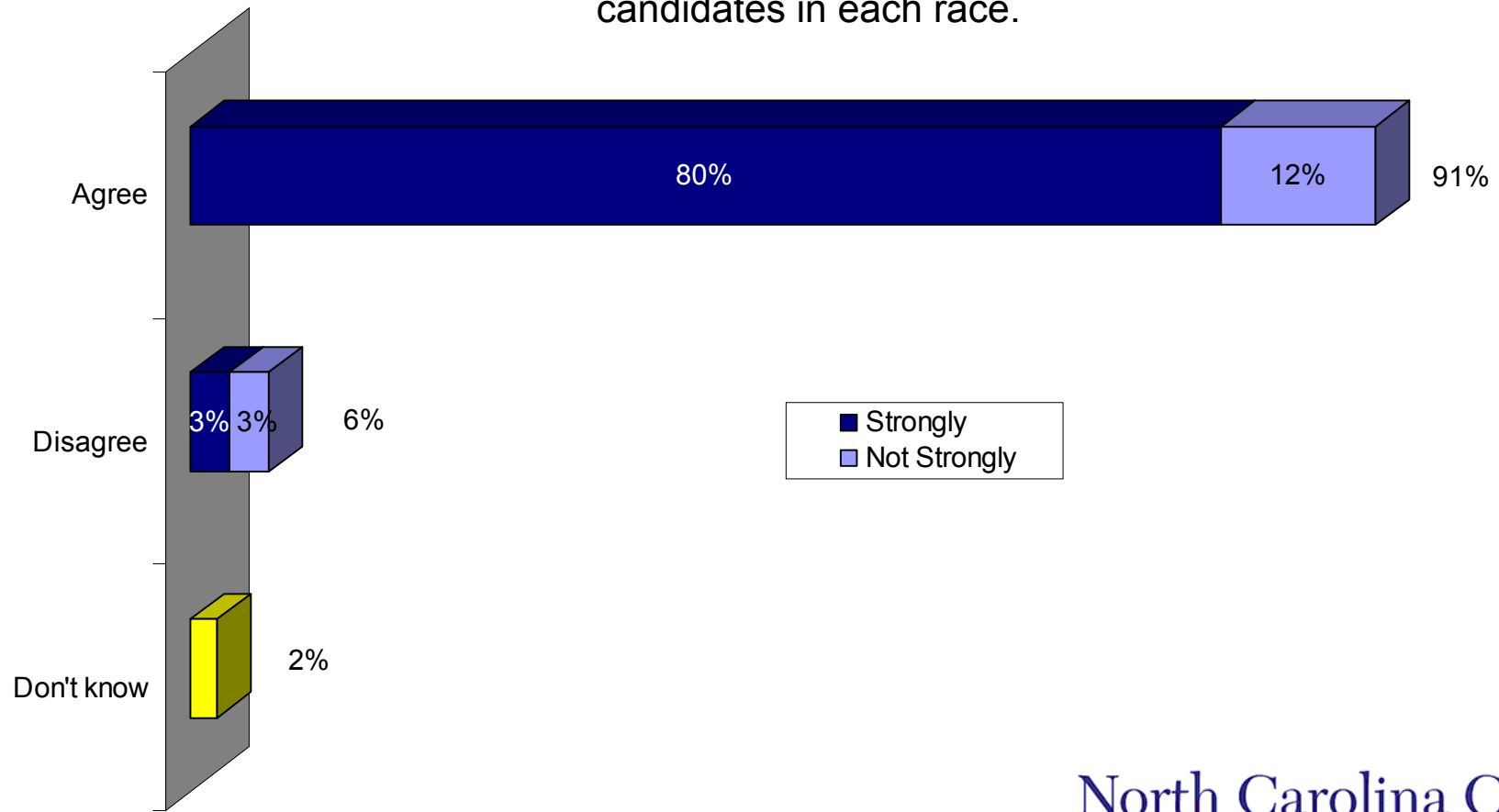


If the only difference between two candidates running for judicial office was that one used taxpayer money to run his campaign and the other used special interest money, which one would you vote for?



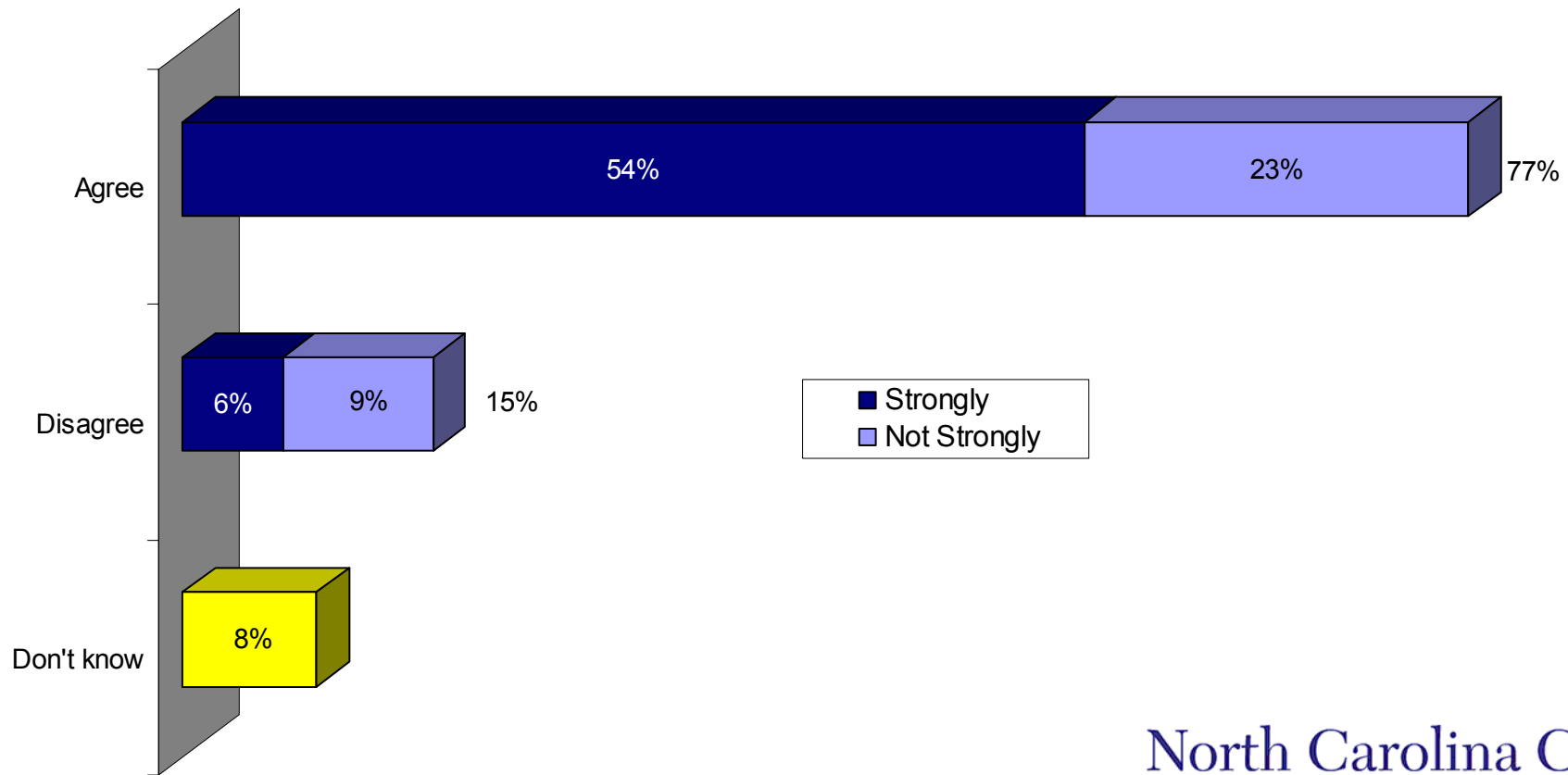
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North Carolina should provide voter guides to judicial elections to help inform voters about the candidates in each race.



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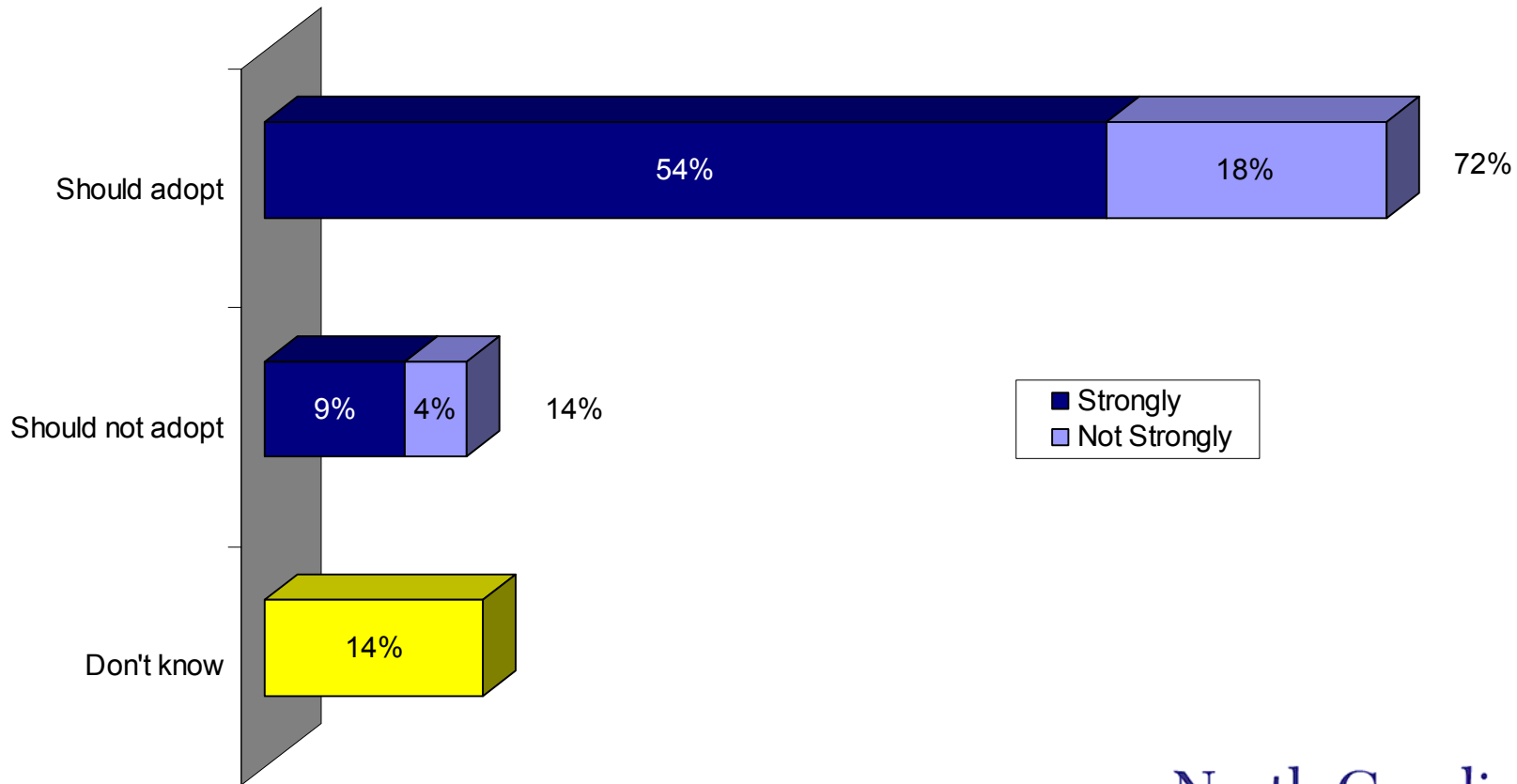
Regardless of other important issues facing the state, the Governor and legislature need to address judicial reform before the next elections.



Some people say that we need to adopt judicial campaign reform to avoid corruption scandals that have occurred in other states.

Other people say that we don't have a judicial corruption problem here in North Carolina, and since we don't have a problem, there is no point in fixing something that isn't broken.

Do you feel that North Carolina should or should not adopt judicial election reform in the near future?



Some people say that judges should continue to be elected by a vote of the people.

Other people say that judges should be appointed in some manner by the Governor and the legislature.

Do you feel that courts should be elected or appointed?

