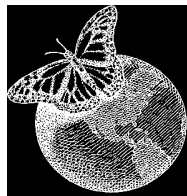


Summary of Research

Conducted on Behalf of the Union of Concerned Scientists

Western States Voter Survey: Conducted July 19-23, 2008
Arizona, California, Montana, New Mexico, Oregon, Utah, Washington



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Citizens and Scientists for Environmental Solutions



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Methodology

Respondents

2003 total voters
500 voters in California
250 voters in each of Arizona, Montana, New Mexico, Oregon,
Utah, Washington

Margin of Error

2.2% overall
4.4% in California
6.2% in Arizona, Montana, New Mexico, Oregon,
Utah, Washington

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Summary Findings



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Gas prices and oil dependence

- Very large majorities of respondents are concerned with gas prices now (94%), gas prices in the future (93%), US dependency on oil (94%) and lack of a plan to transition from oil (89%).
- 91% of respondents say it's important for the country to end its dependence on oil.
- The price of gas has caused a hardship for respondents. Only 18% said the price of gas has not caused a financial hardship.
- 63% of respondents are likely to be shopping for an alternative fuel vehicle, a hybrid vehicle or a vehicle that gets higher gas mileage on their next vehicle purchase.
- Two thirds of respondents (63%) support new fees on oil companies to be used for improving public transportation to make it inexpensive, convenient, safe and fast.

Summary Findings

Reducing greenhouse gas pollution

- Respondents strongly support their state taking action to reduce greenhouse gas pollution:
 - 92% support developing clean alternative fuels
 - 88% support requiring less polluting cars
 - 81% support requiring cleaner fuels
- Respondents support taking action to reduce greenhouse gas pollution if it would result in reducing air pollution (88%) or result in reducing dependency on oil (86%).
- Respondents agree (84%) that cars, trucks and other transportation sources should be required to reduce their pollution the same as power plants and factories.

Solutions

- Respondents do not feel that gas prices are going to come down (60% say they won't), but even if they do come down, 95% say we need to act now to avoid a future crisis. 83% say gas prices will continue to rise unless we take action to make our cars and trucks run on less gas or alternative fuels or electricity.

Detailed Findings

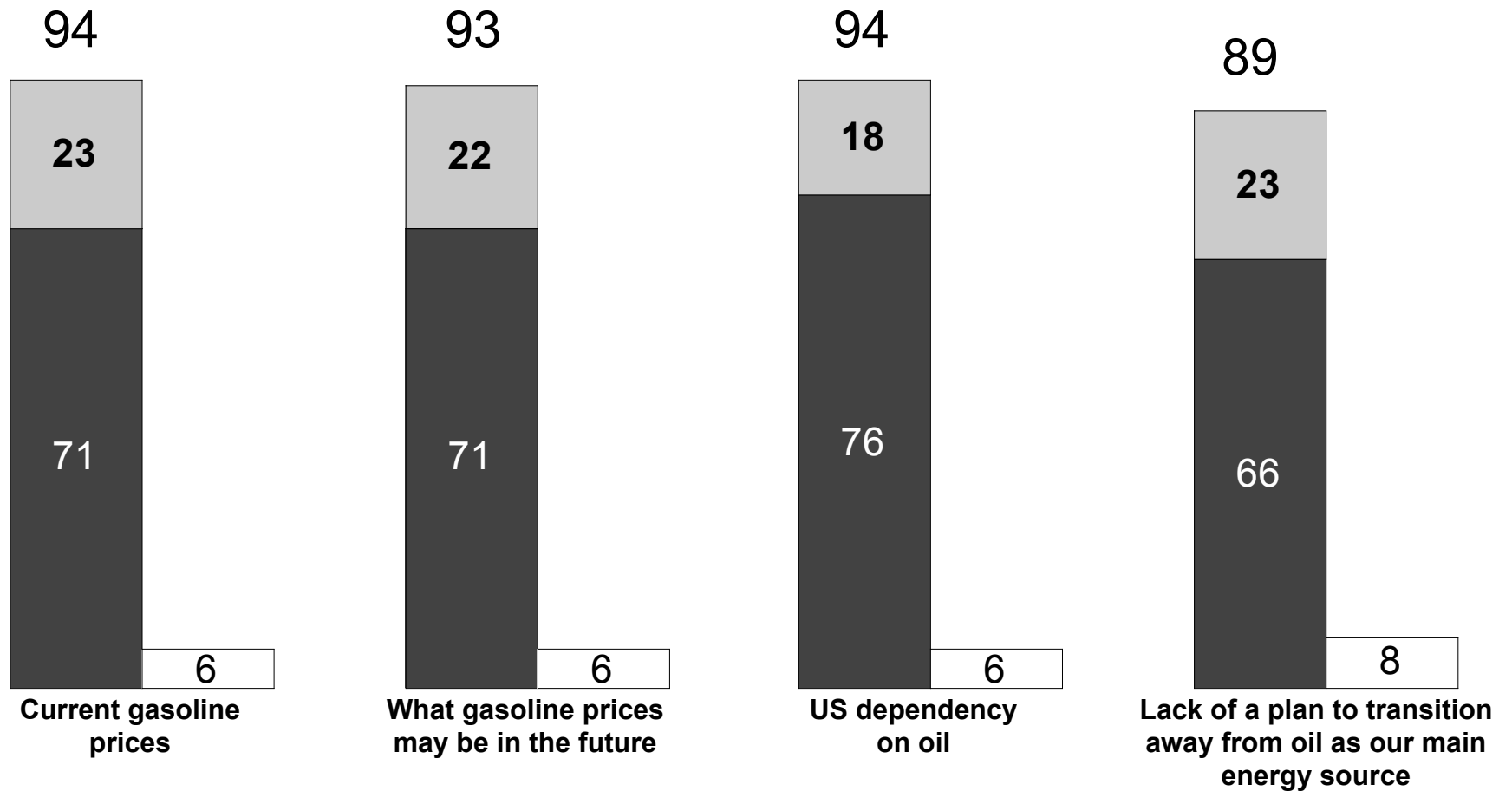


Gas Prices and Oil Dependency



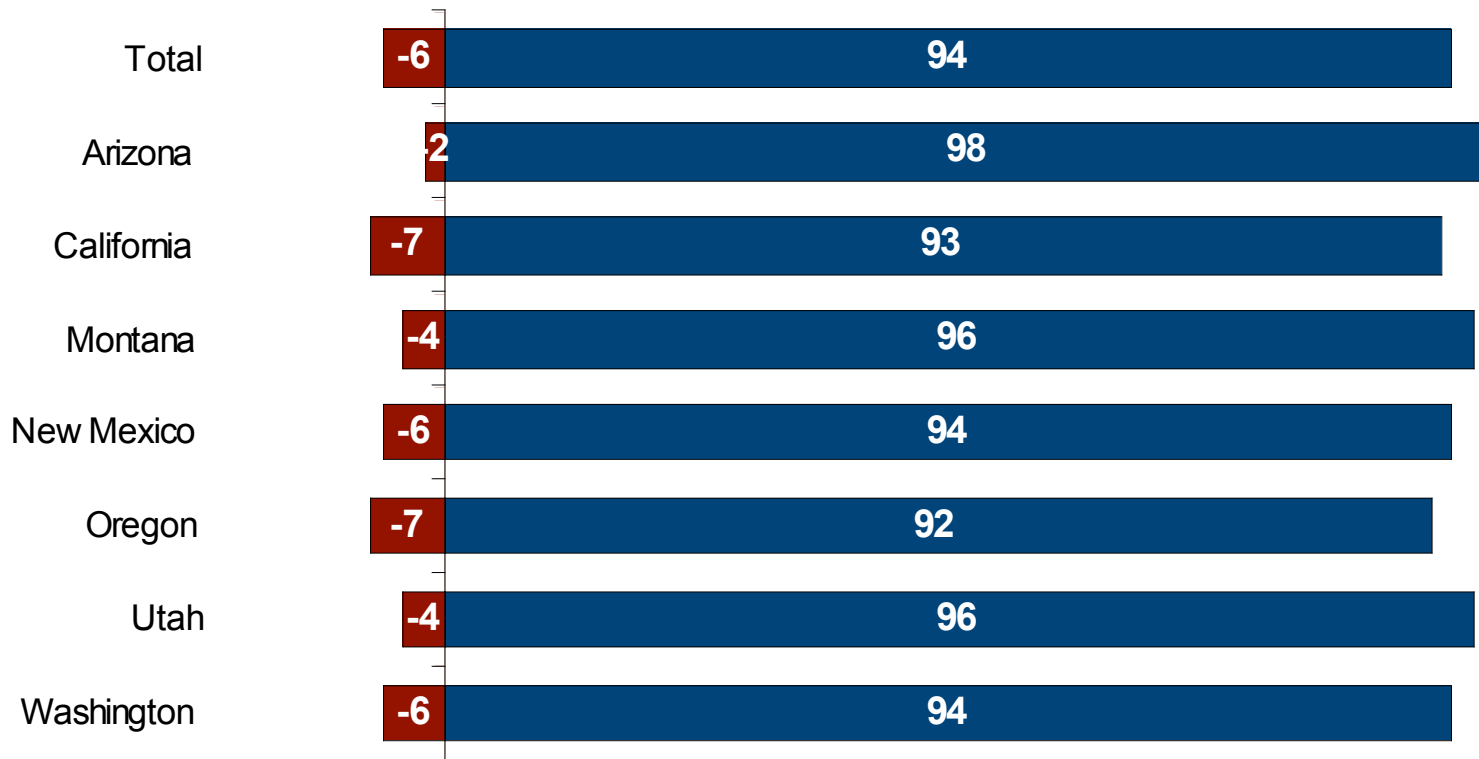
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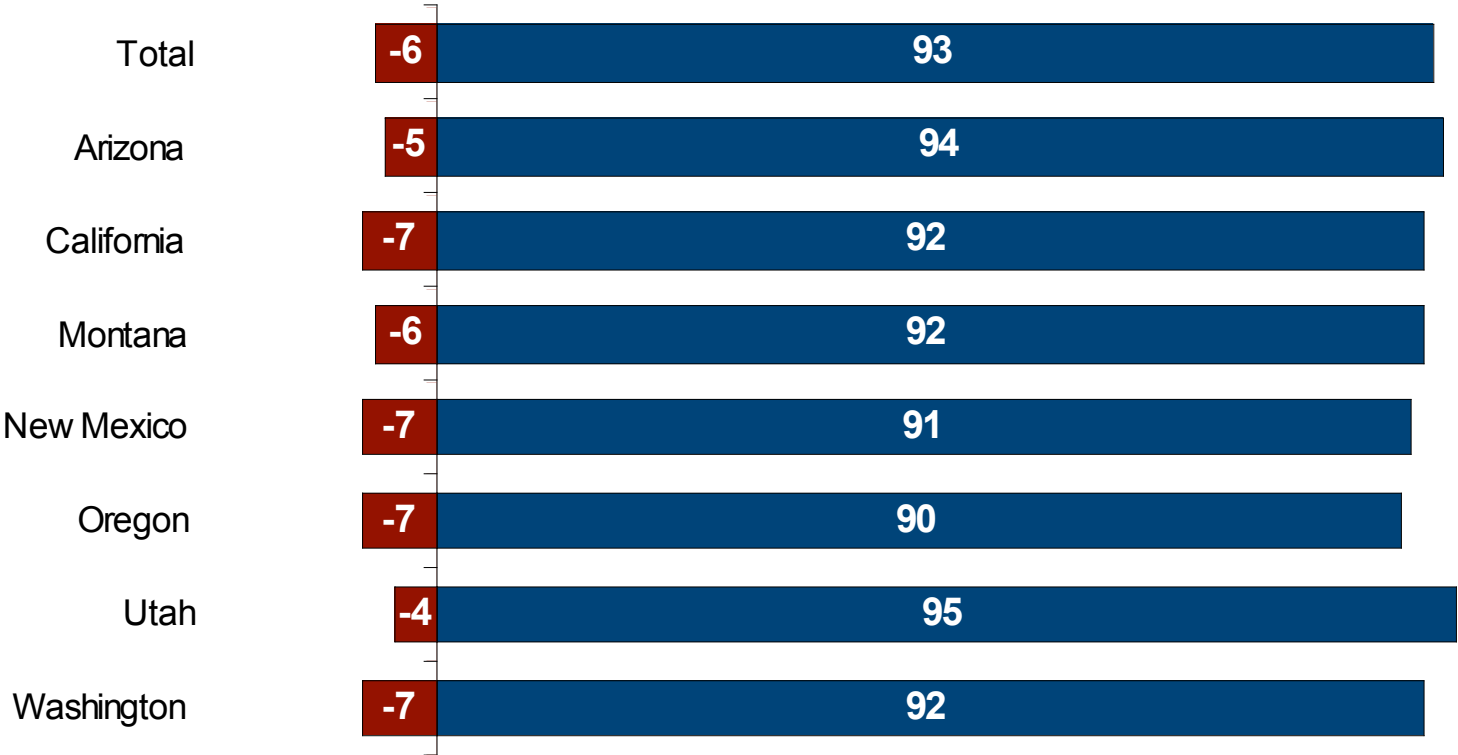
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State breakout: Current gasoline prices



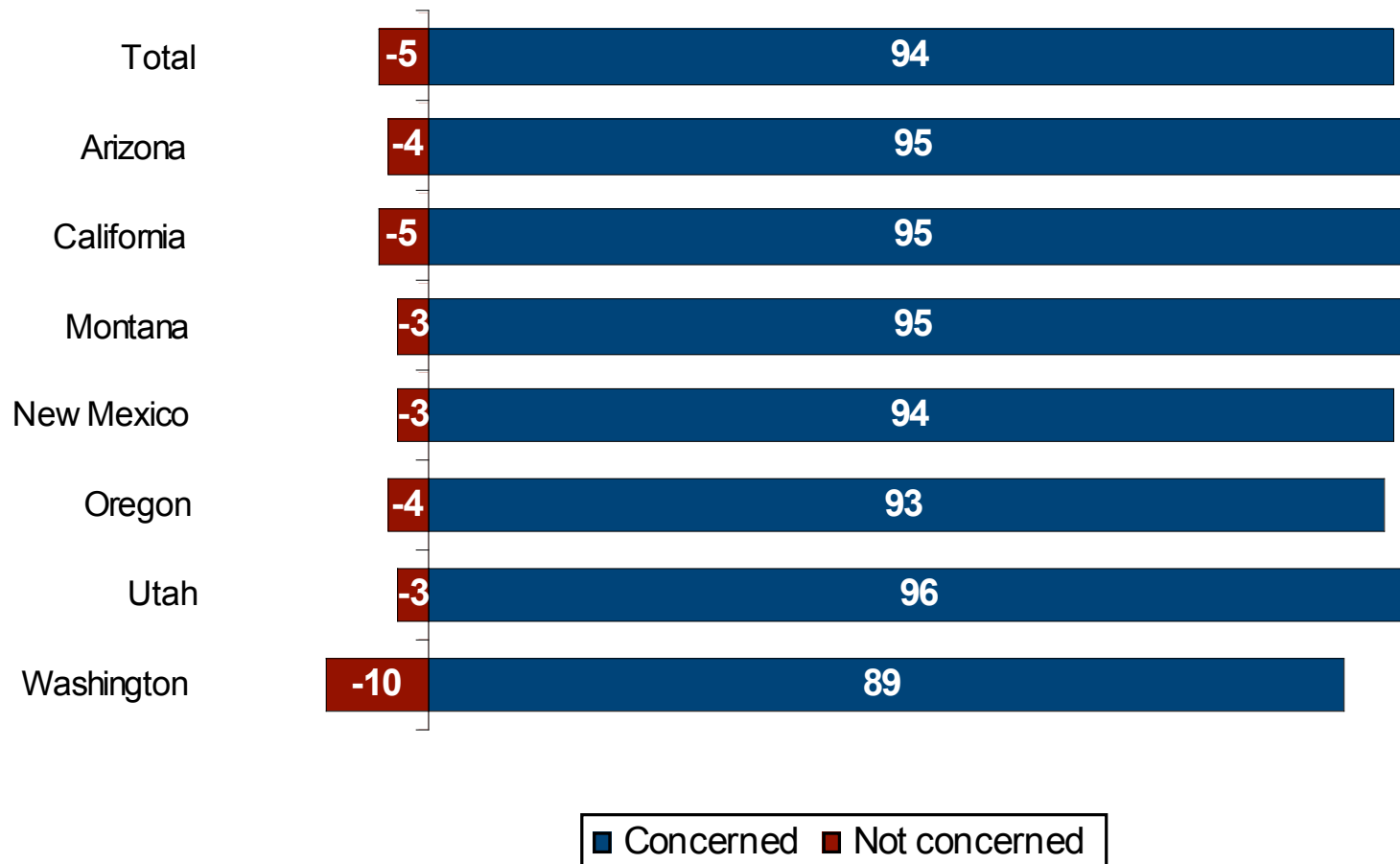
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State breakout: What gasoline prices may be in the future

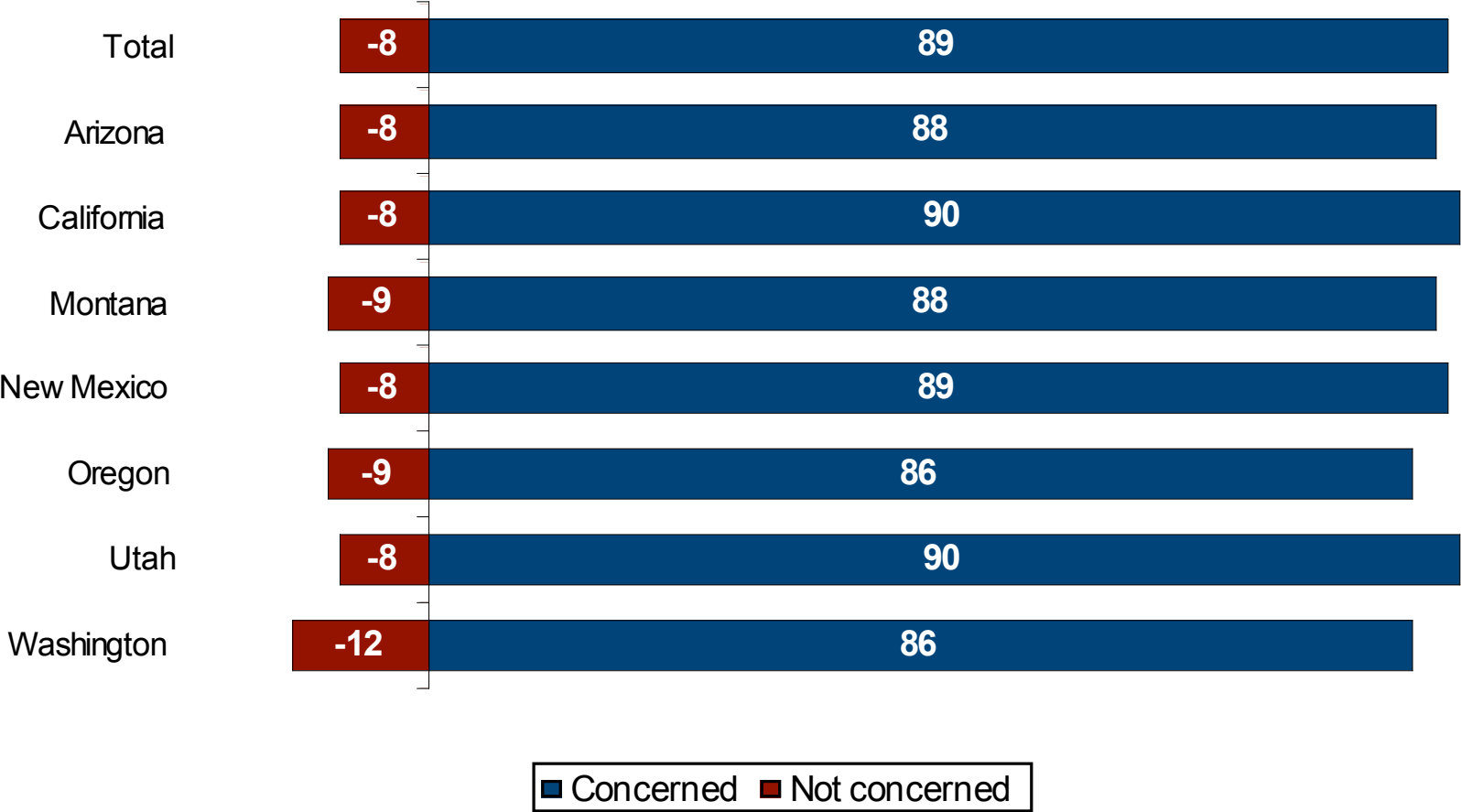


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State breakout: US dependency on oil

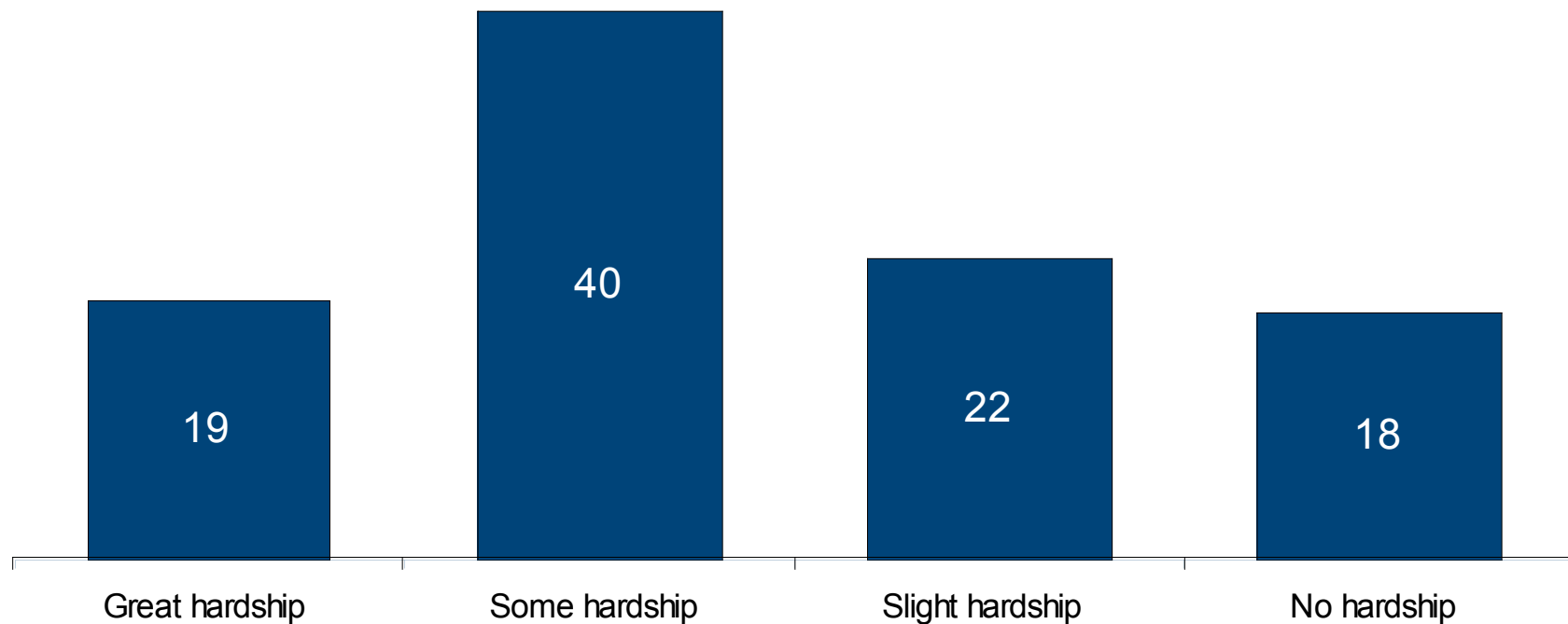


State breakout: Lack of a plan to transition away from oil as our main energy source



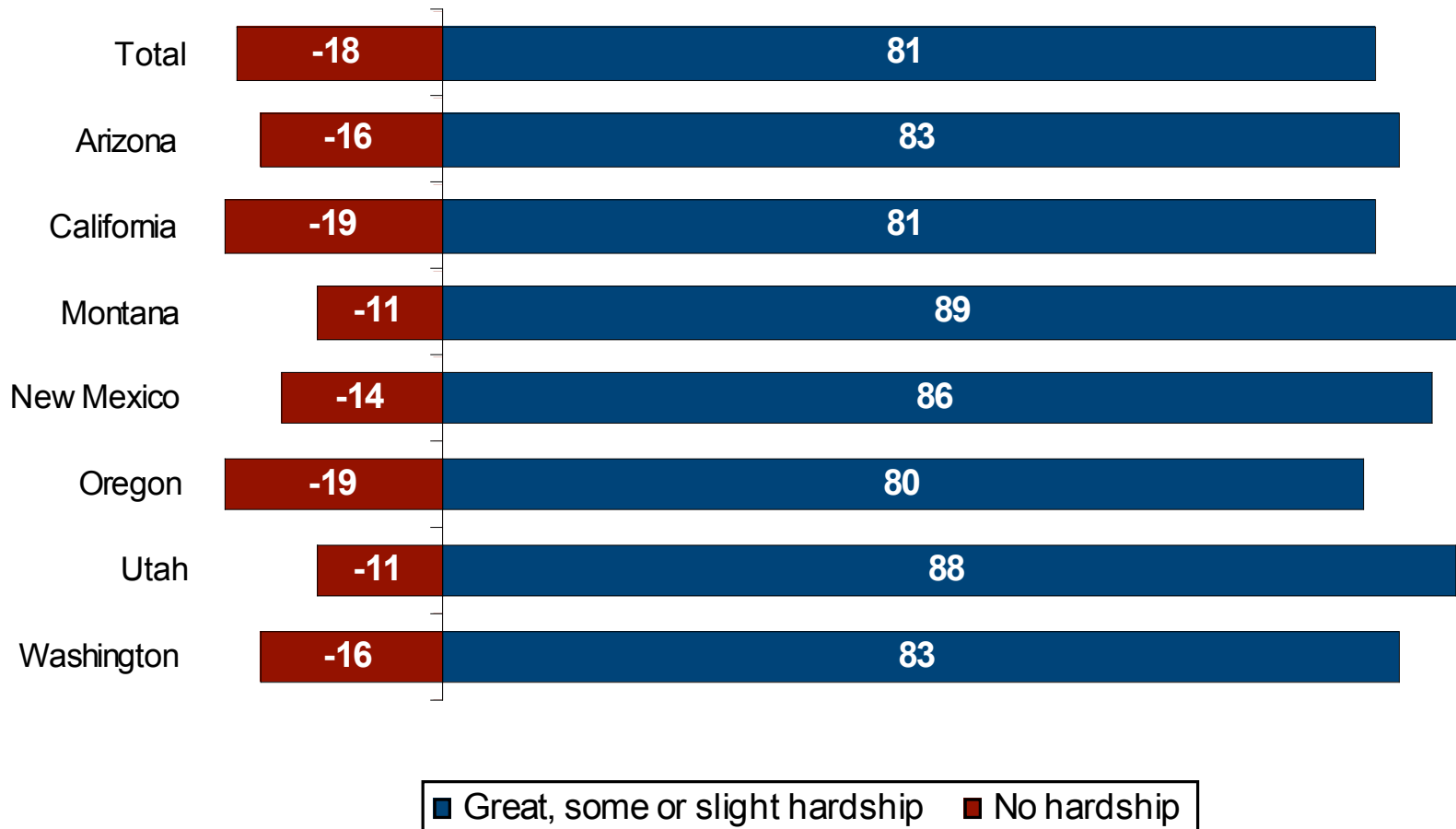
The price of gas has caused either a great financial hardship or some financial hardship for 59% of respondents. Only 18% said the price of gas has caused no financial hardship.

Has the price of gasoline caused great financial hardship for you, some financial hardship, only slight financial hardship, or has the price of gasoline not caused any financial hardship for you?



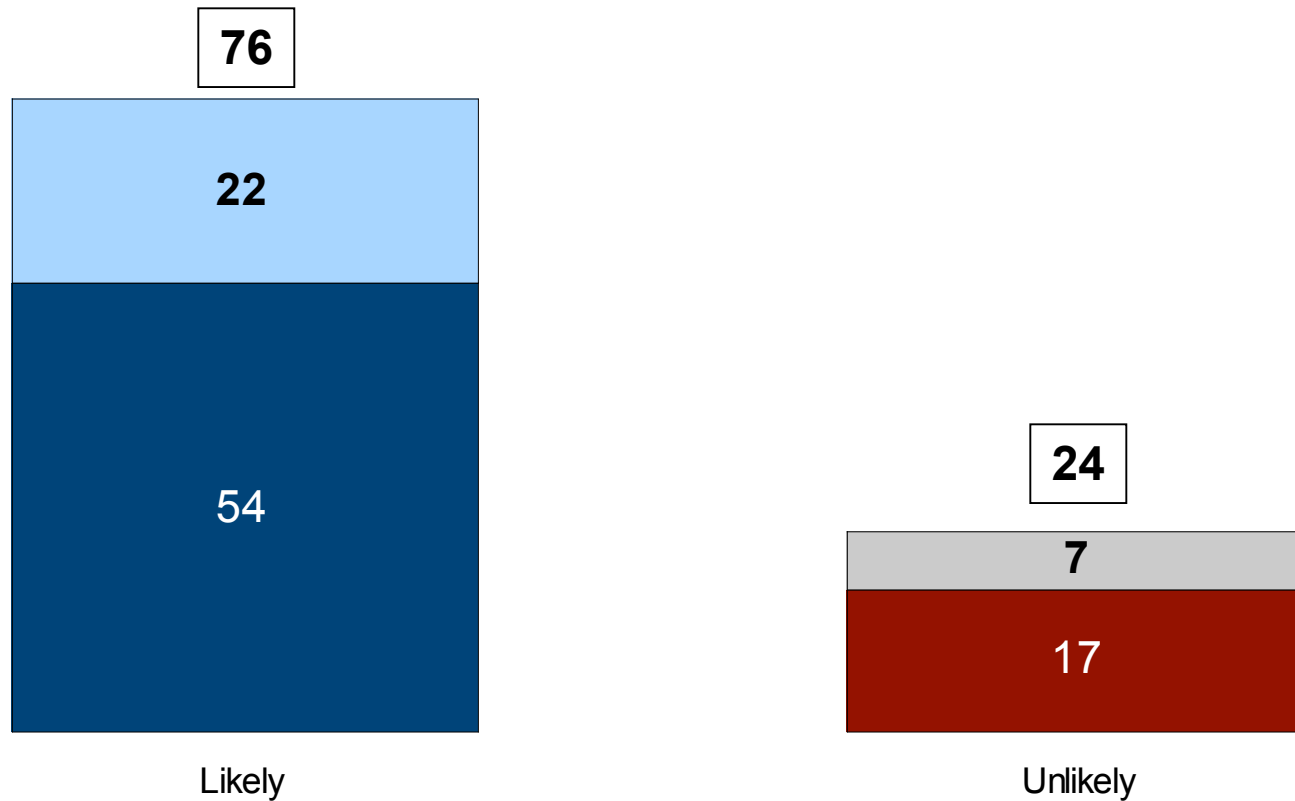
State breakout: Financial hardship caused by the price of gas

Has the price of gasoline caused great financial hardship for you, some financial hardship, only slight financial hardship, or has the price of gasoline not caused any financial hardship for you?



Among those who expect to shop for a new car, 76% are looking for an alternative fuel vehicle, a hybrid vehicle or a vehicle that gets higher gas mileage on their next vehicle purchase.

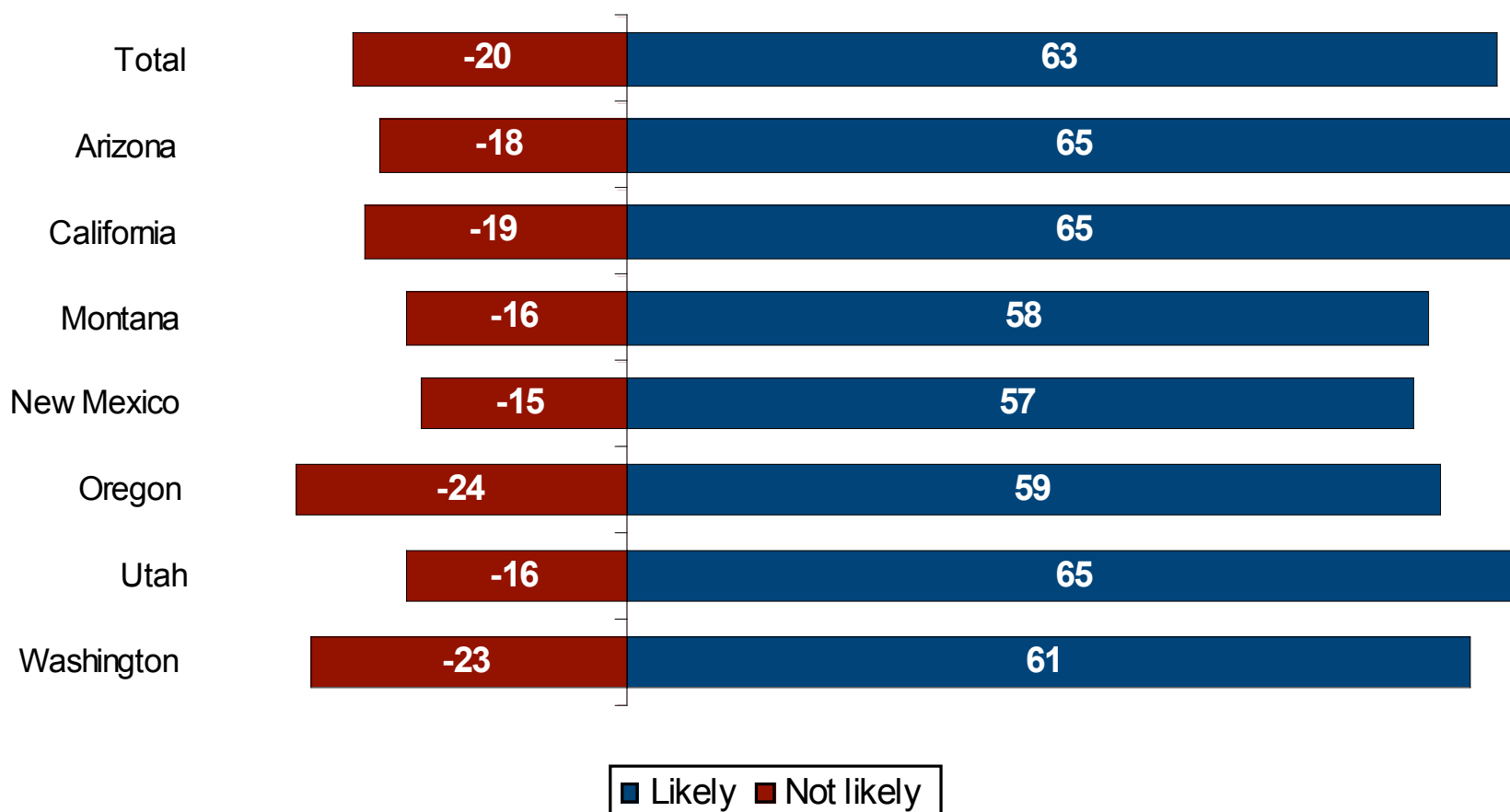
Thinking about your next vehicle purchase, how likely are you to be shopping for an alternative fuel vehicle, a hybrid vehicle or a vehicle that gets much higher gas mileage? (BASE: Those who state they will be buying a new motor vehicle.)



Very likely Somewhat likely
Very unlikely Somewhat unlikely
Will not be buying a motor vehicle

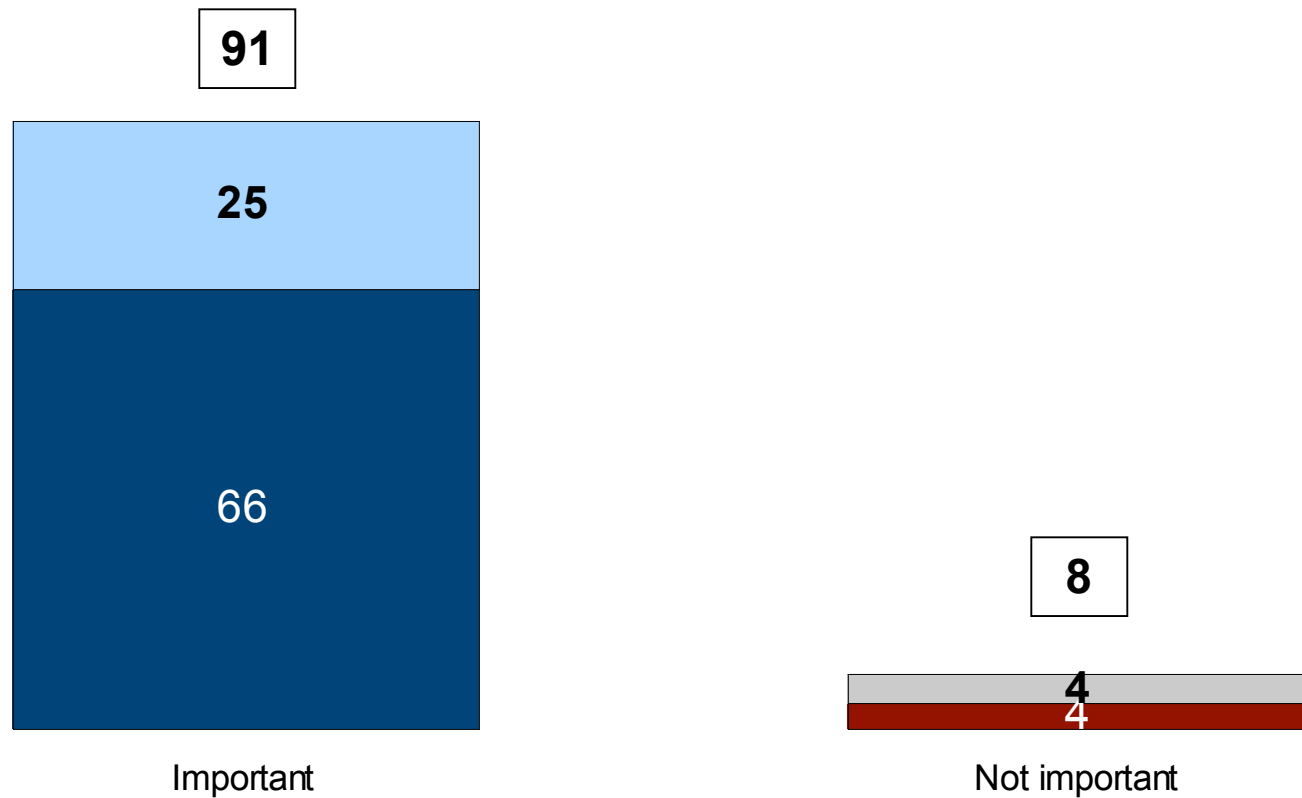
State breakout: Likelihood of purchasing an alternative fuel vehicle, hybrid or a vehicle that gets higher gas mileage

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91% of respondents say it's important for the country to end its dependence on oil.

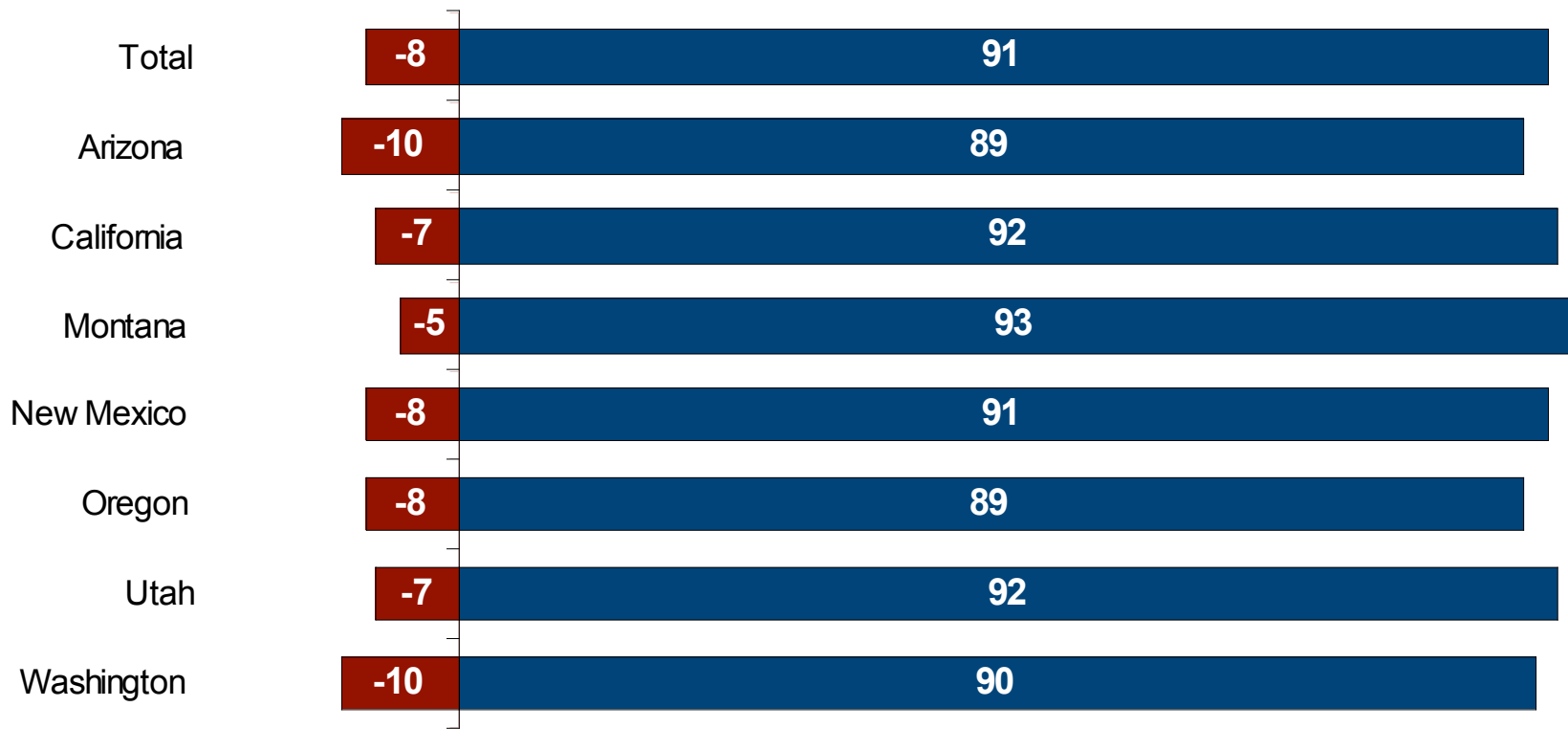
How important is it to you that the country ends its dependence on oil – is it very important, somewhat important, not too important or not important at all?



Very important Somewhat important Not at all important Not too important

State breakout: Importance of ending US dependence on oil

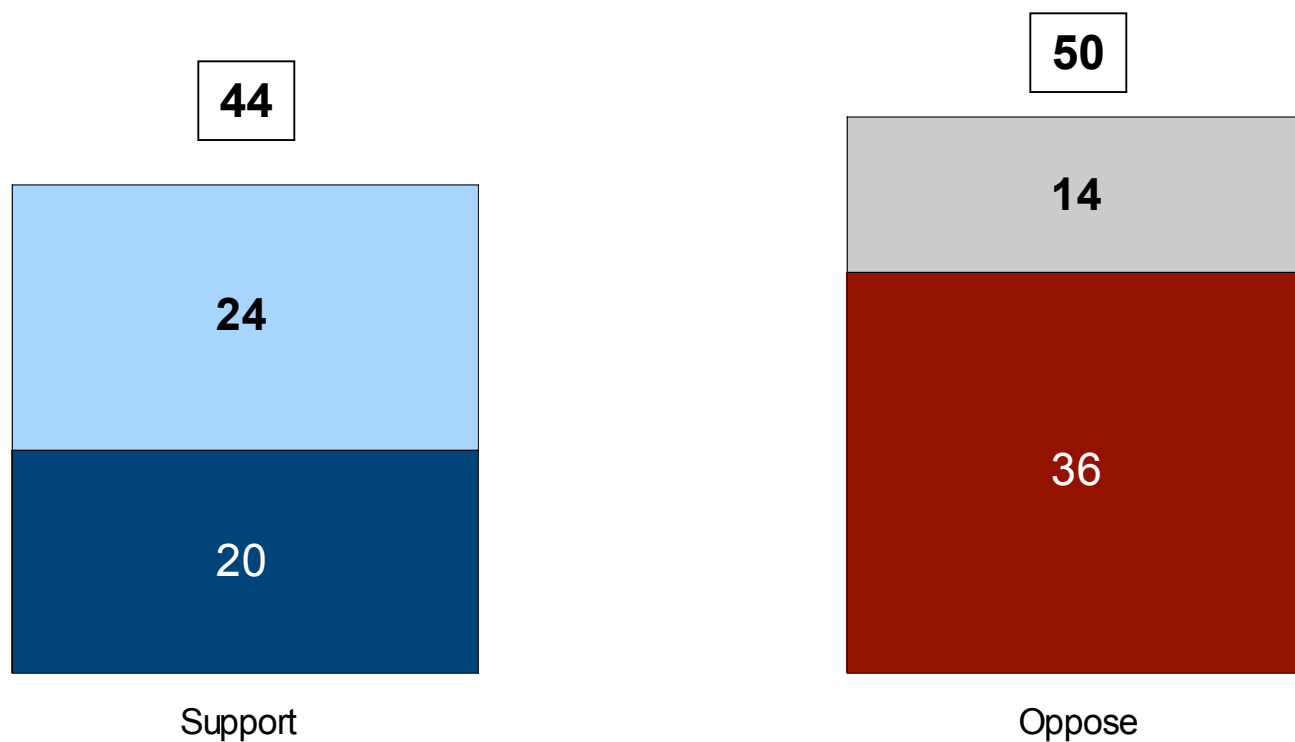
How important is it to you that the country ends its dependence on oil – is it very important, somewhat important, not too important or not important at all?



■ Important ■ Not important

Respondents are slightly less likely to support an increase in the cost of gas to invest in energy efficiency and alternative fuels.

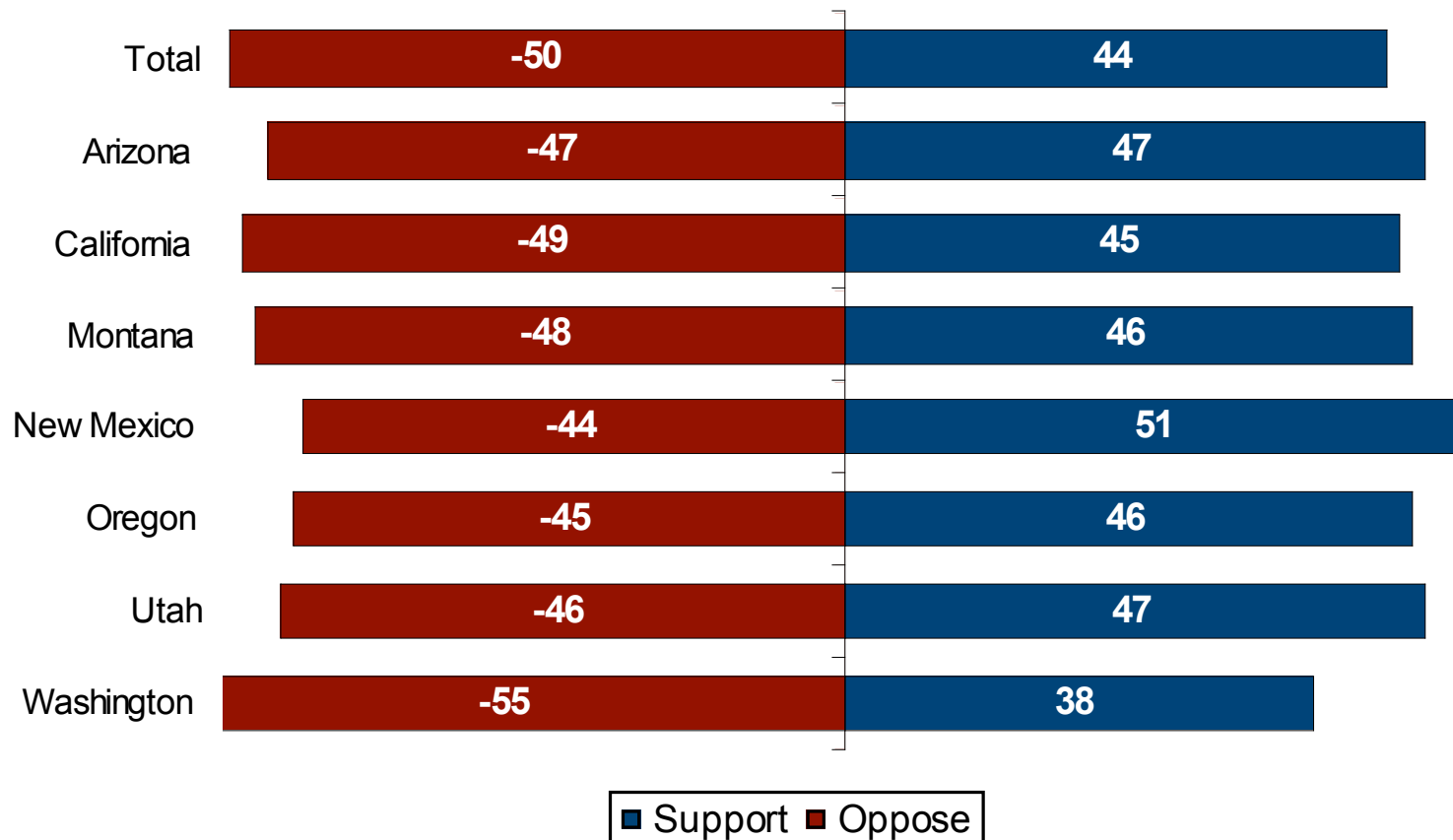
Would you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or strongly oppose an increase of between 20 cents and 50 cents per gallon of gasoline if you knew it would be used only for investment in energy efficiency and alternative fuels to end US dependency on oil?



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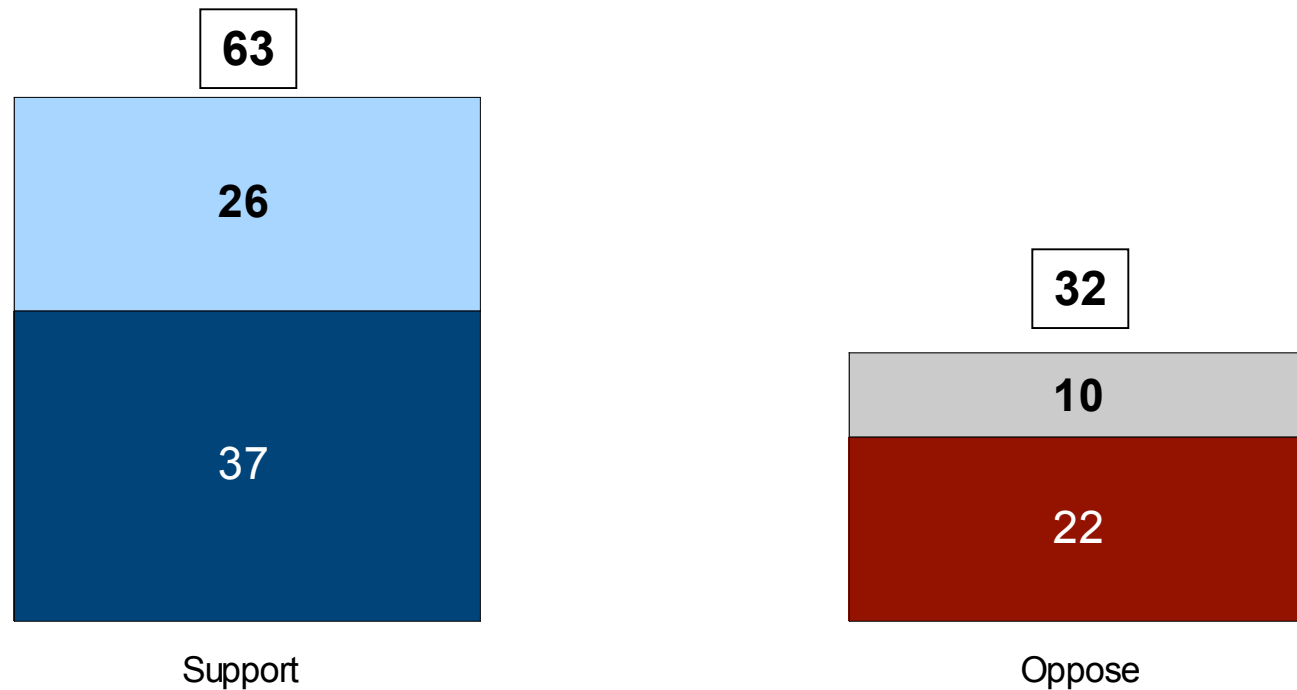
State breakout: Increase on cost of gas to be used for investment in energy efficiency and alternative fuels to end US dependency on oil

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Two thirds of respondents (63%) support new fees on oil companies to be used for improving public transportation.

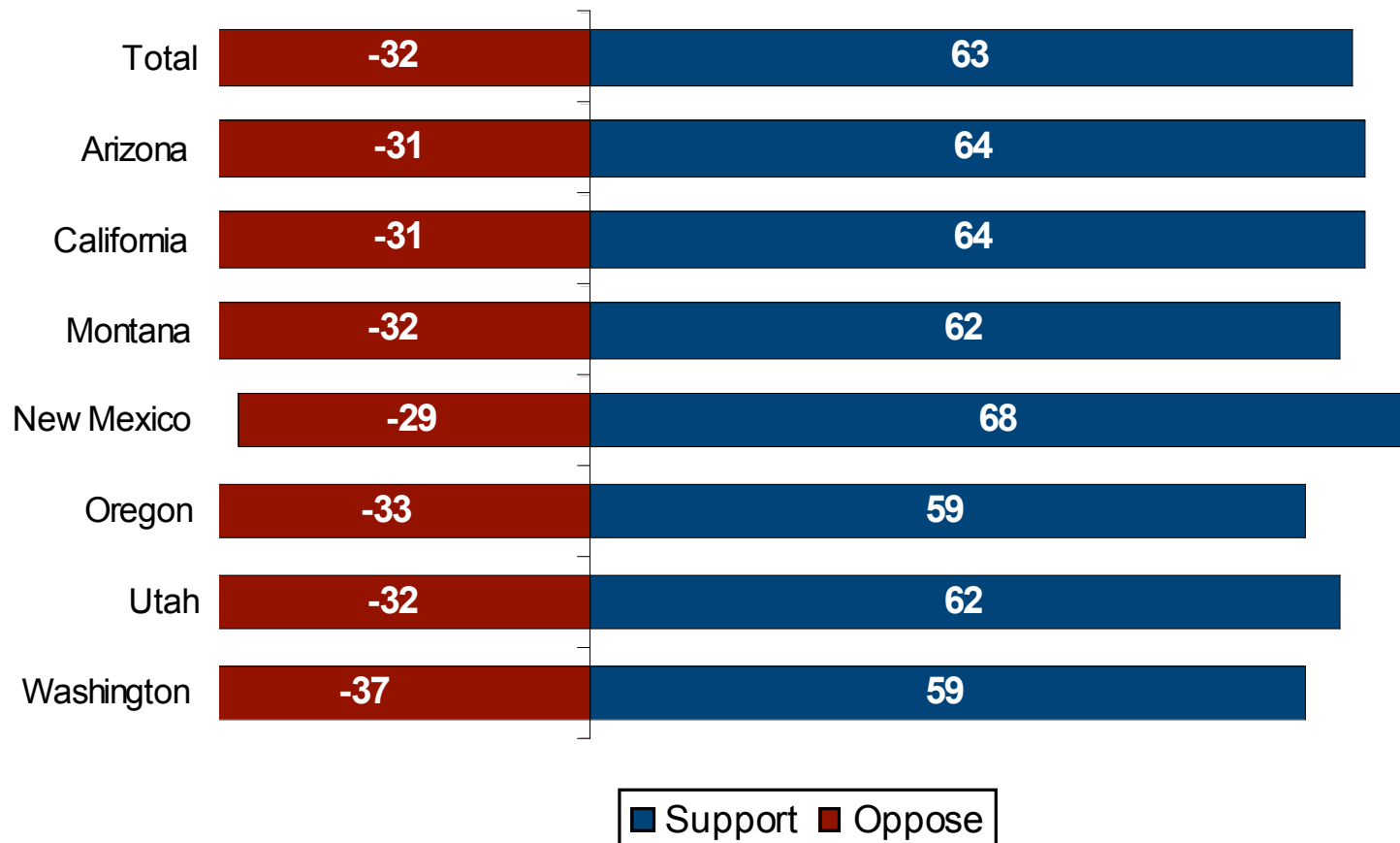
Would you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose or strongly oppose new fees on oil companies if you knew that they would be used to improve public transportation to make it inexpensive, convenient, safe, and fast?



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State breakout: Support for new fees on oil companies

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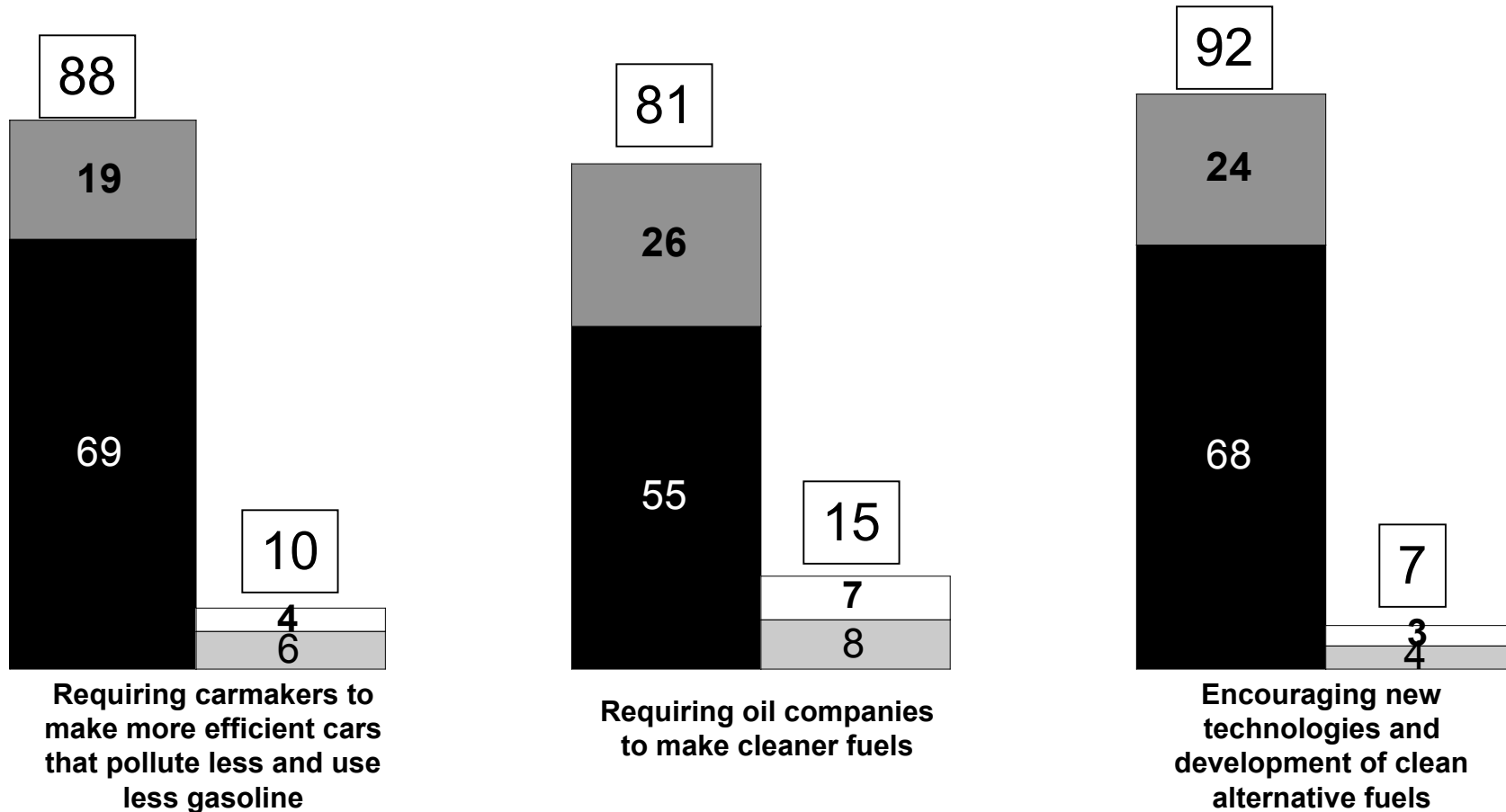


Reducing Greenhouse Gas Pollution



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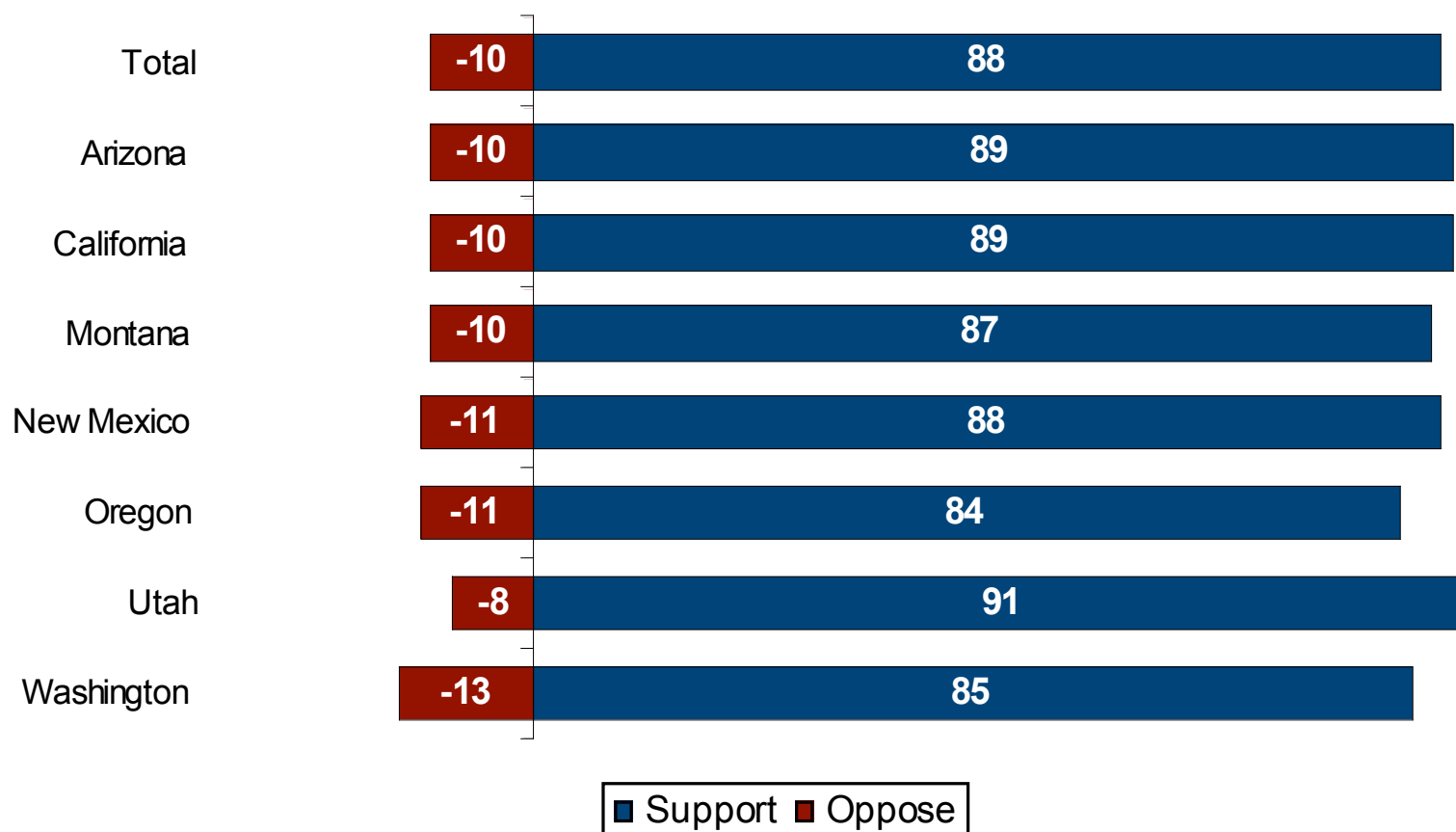
Your state has joined a coalition of Western states to take actions to reduce greenhouse gas pollution. Would you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose, or strongly oppose your state taking the following action to reduce greenhouse gas pollution.



Strongly support
 Somewhat support
 Strongly oppose
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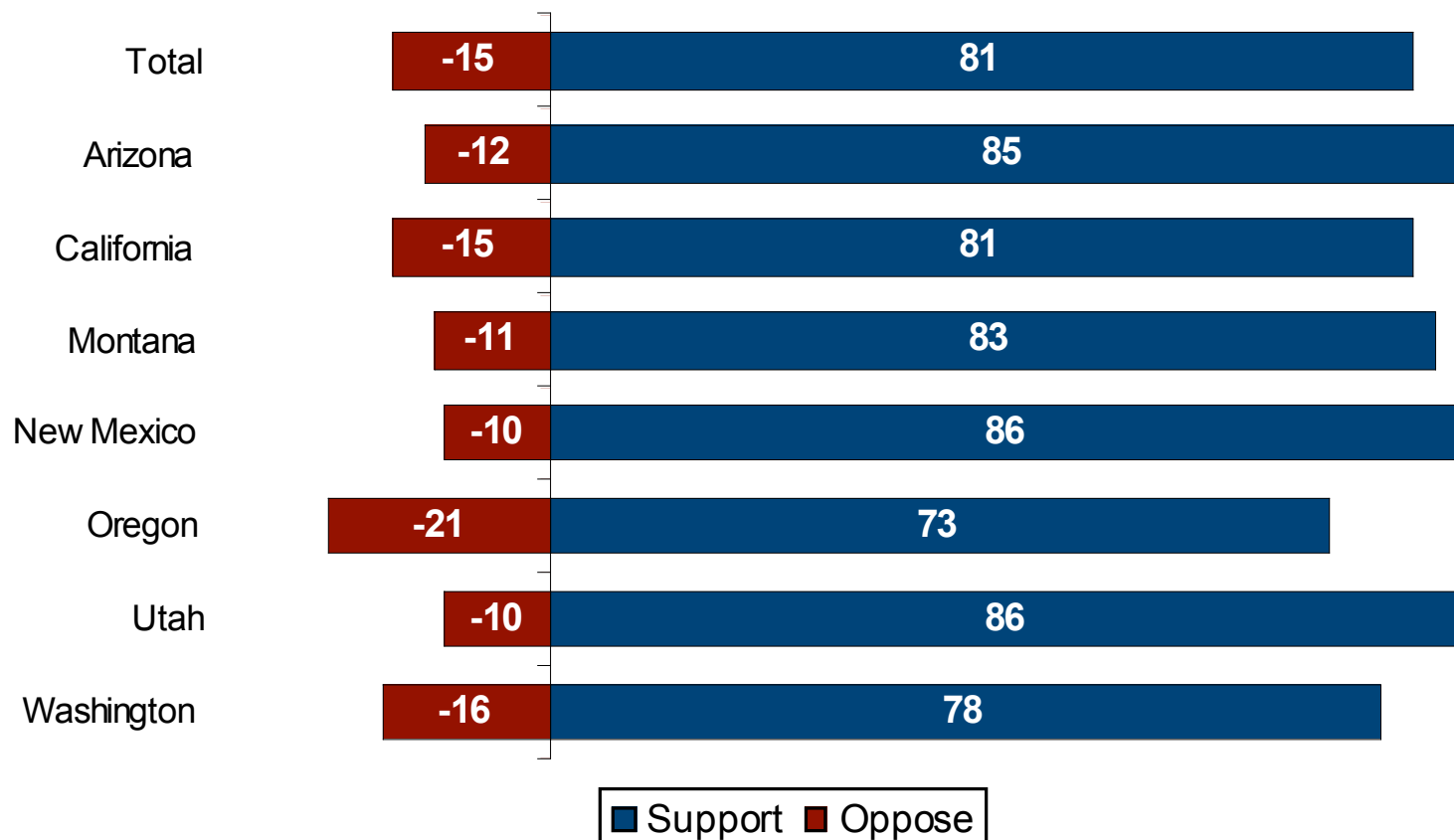
State breakout: Requiring carmakers to make more efficient cars that pollute less and use less gasoline

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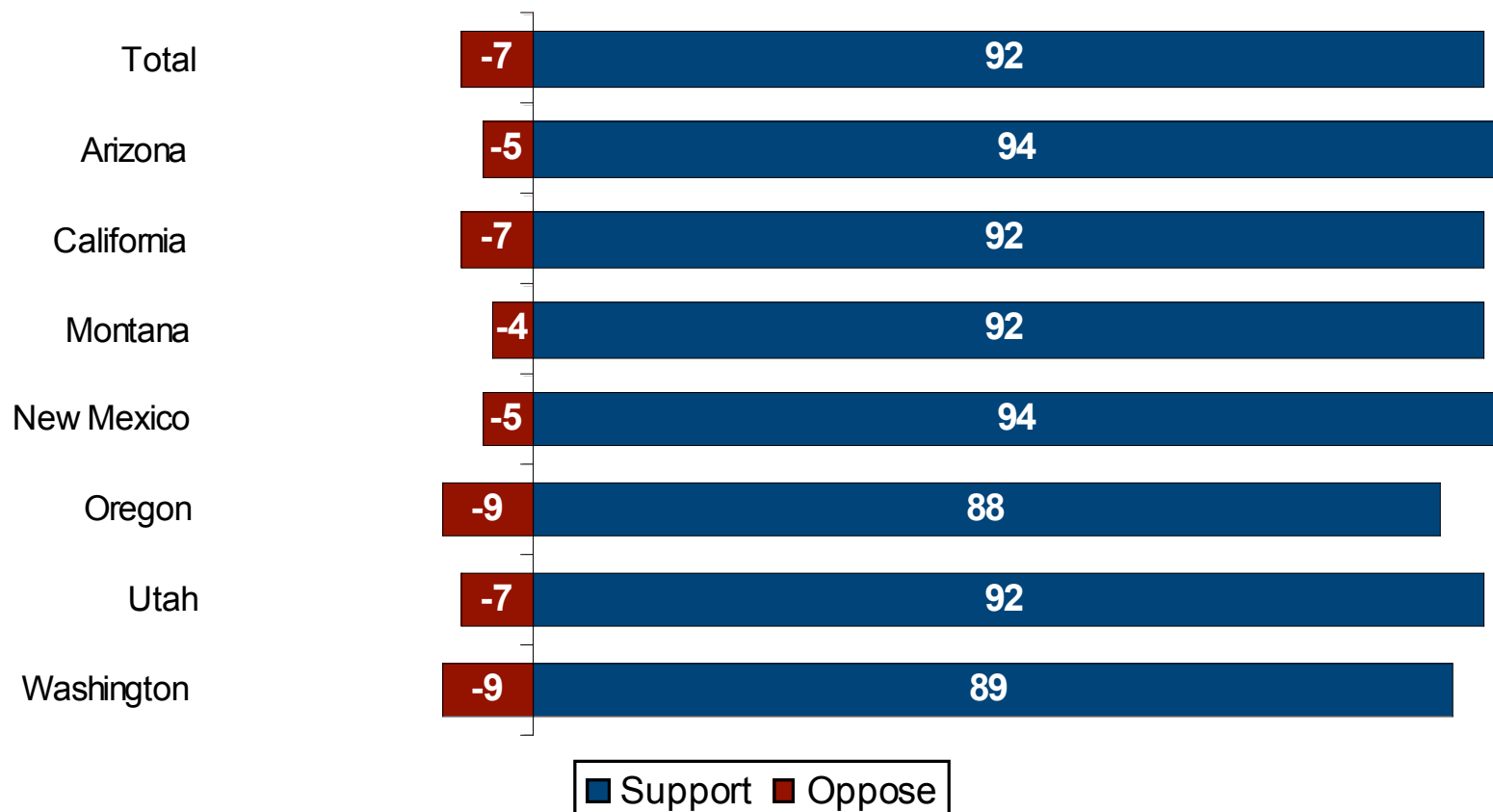
State breakout: Requiring oil companies to make cleaner fuels

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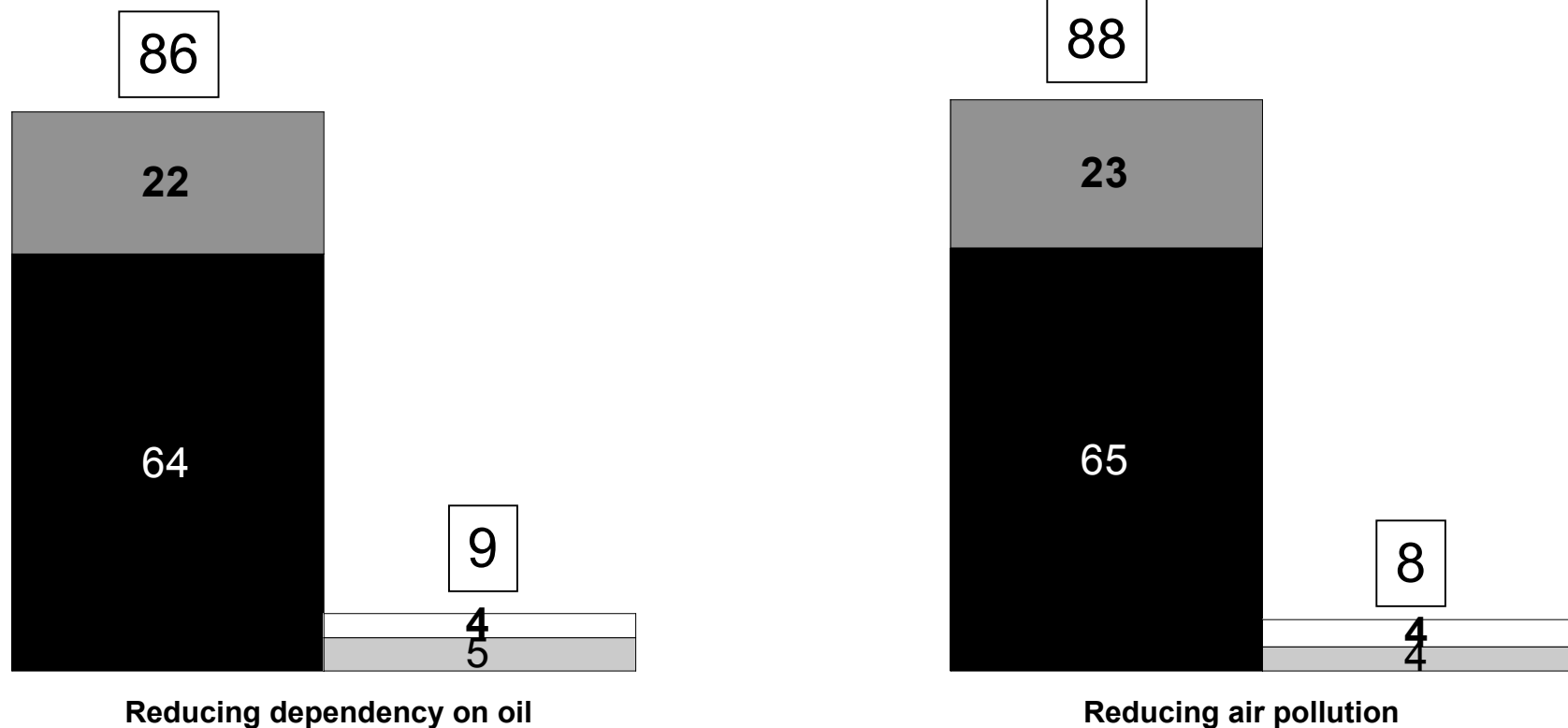
State breakout: Encouraging new technologies and development of clean alternative fuels

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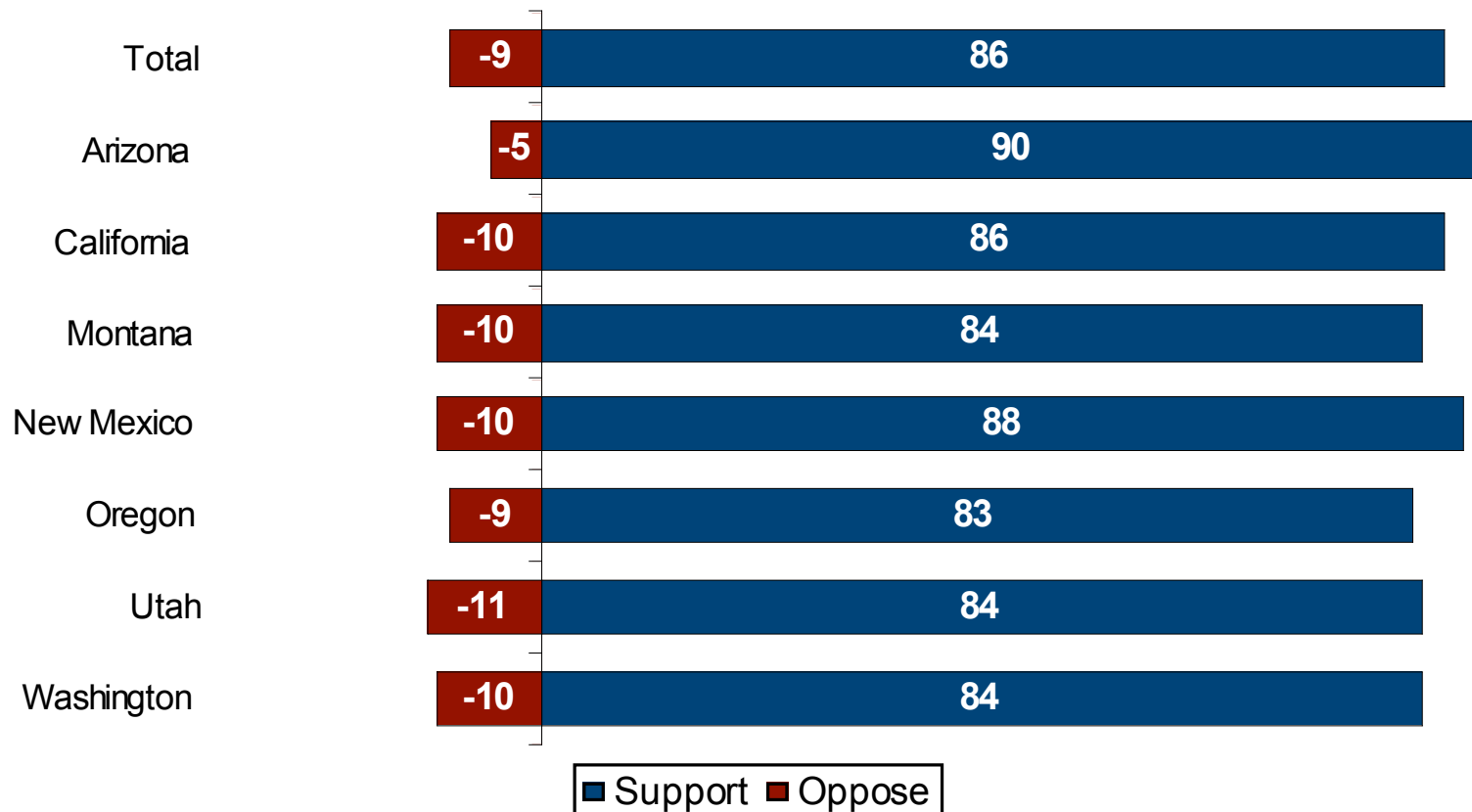
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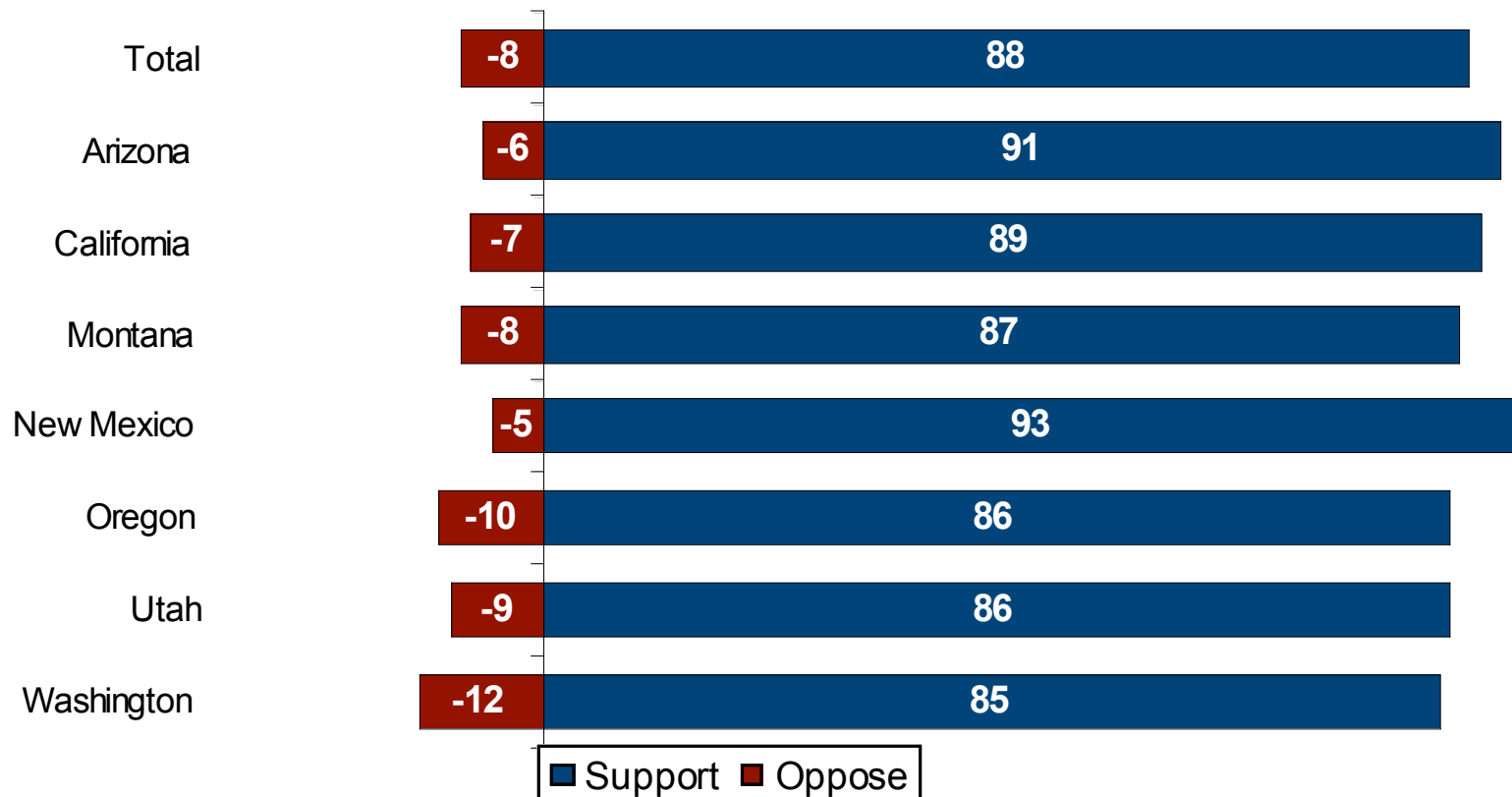
State breakout: Reducing dependency on oil

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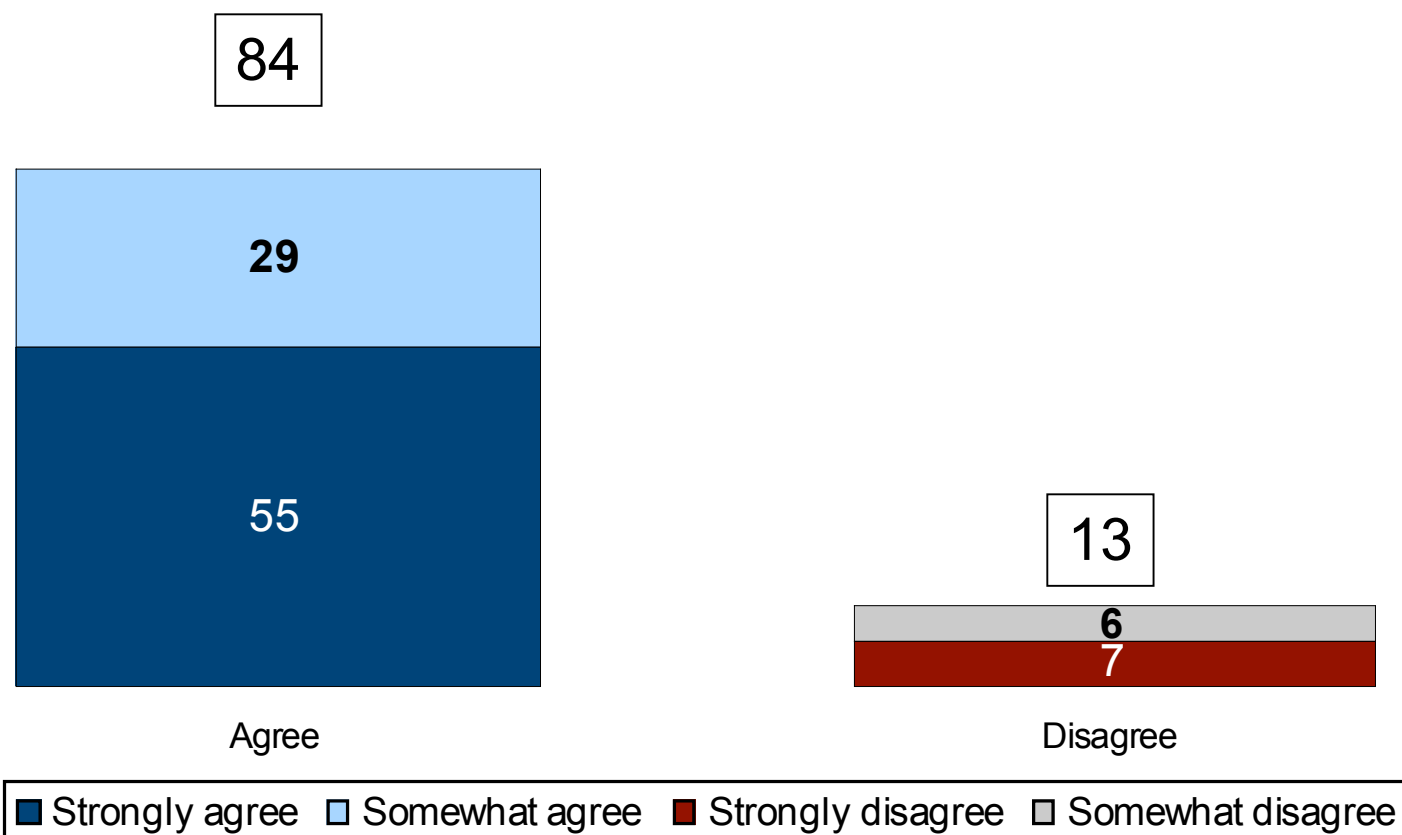
State breakout: Reducing air pollution

Would you strongly support, somewhat support, somewhat oppose, or strongly oppose taking action to reduce greenhouse gas pollution if you knew the action would result in ...



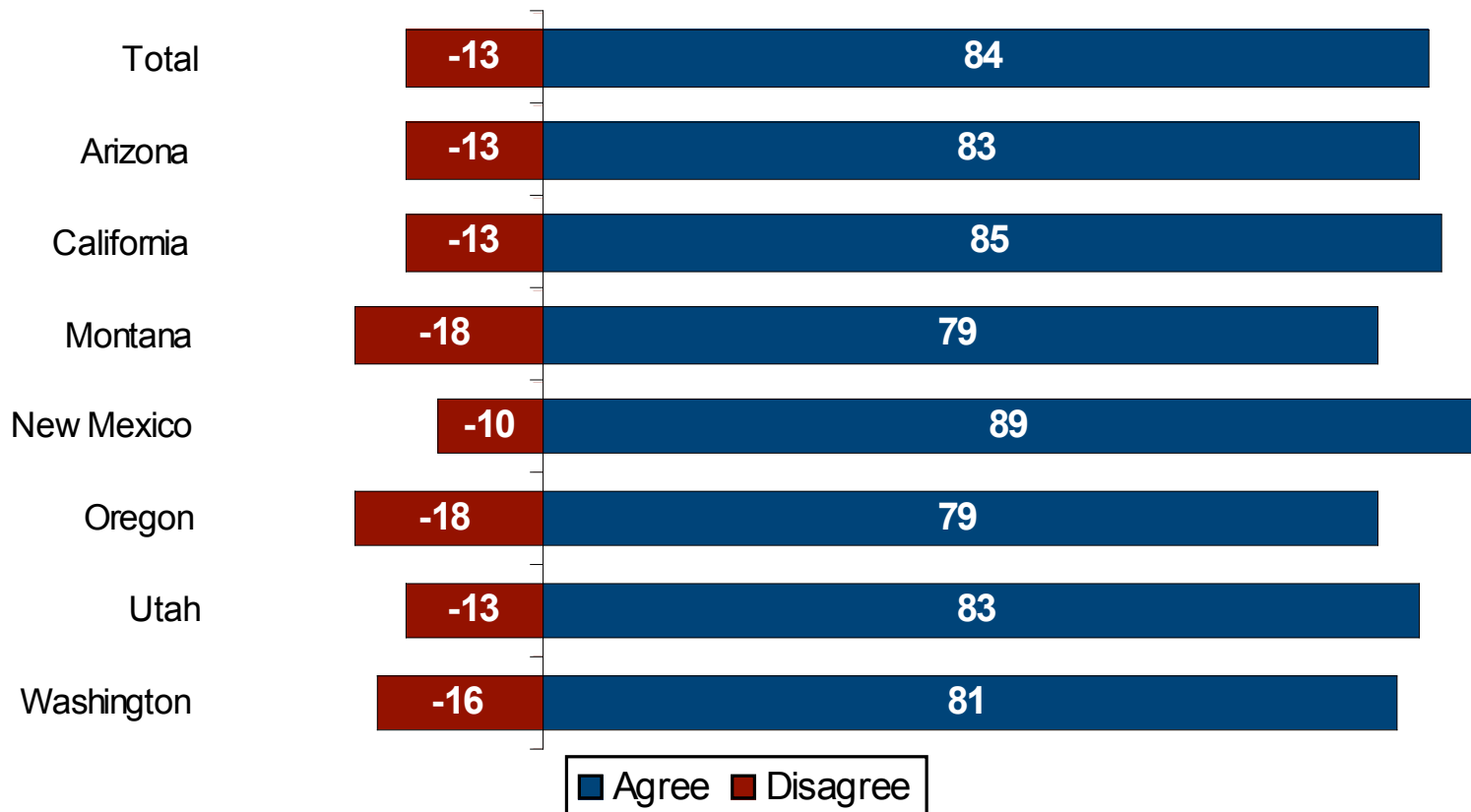
Respondents agree (84%) that cars, trucks and other transportation sources should be required to reduce their pollution along with power plants and factories.

In your part of the country, emissions from power plants and factories account for about half of all greenhouse gas pollution. The second largest source of this pollution is from transportation, such as trucks, buses and cars. Under a proposed plan, power plants and factories will be required to reduce their pollution. Do you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree or strongly disagree that cars, trucks, and other transportation sources should also be required to reduce their pollution?



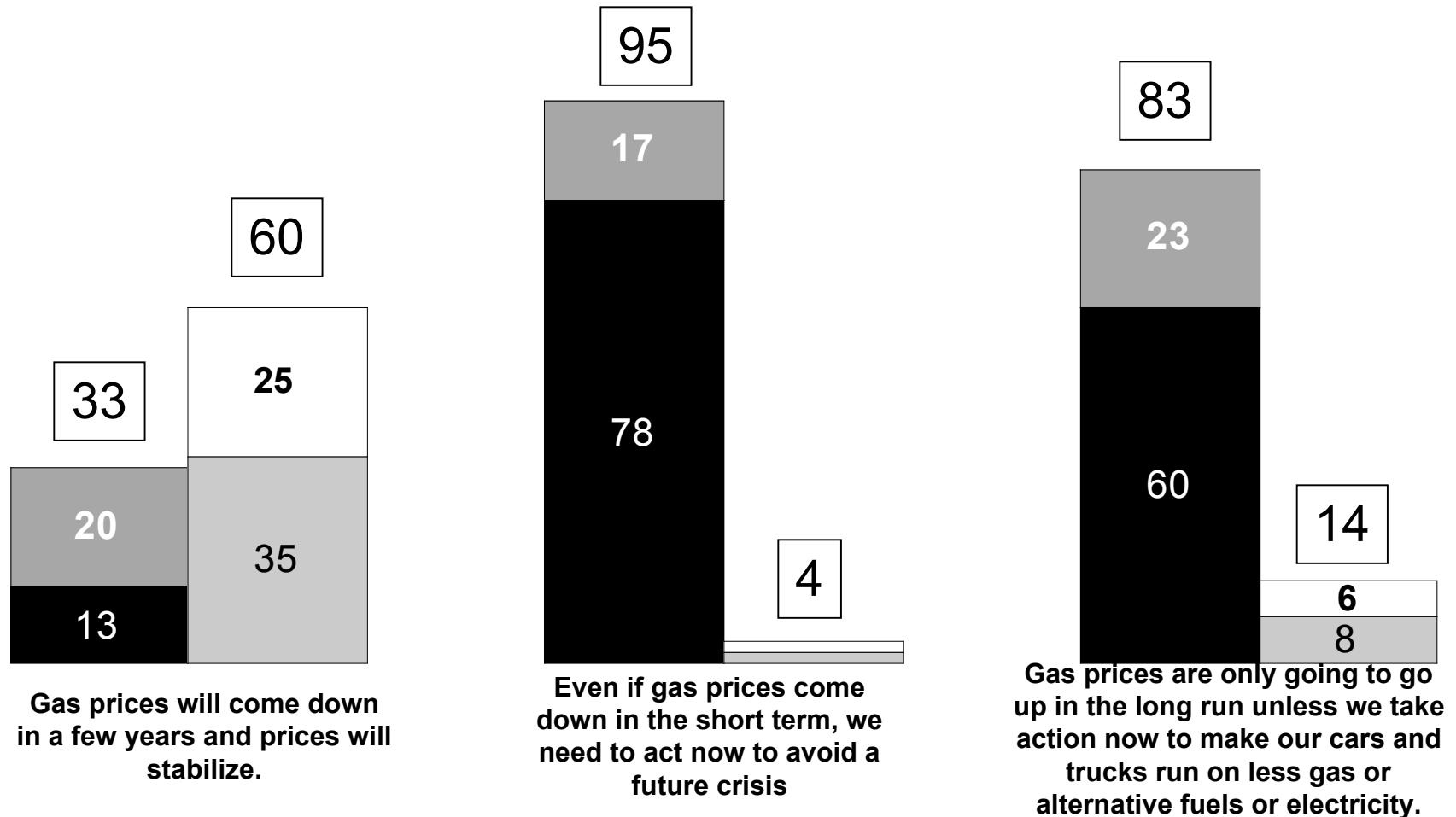
State breakout: Cars, trucks and other transportation sources being required to reduce their pollution

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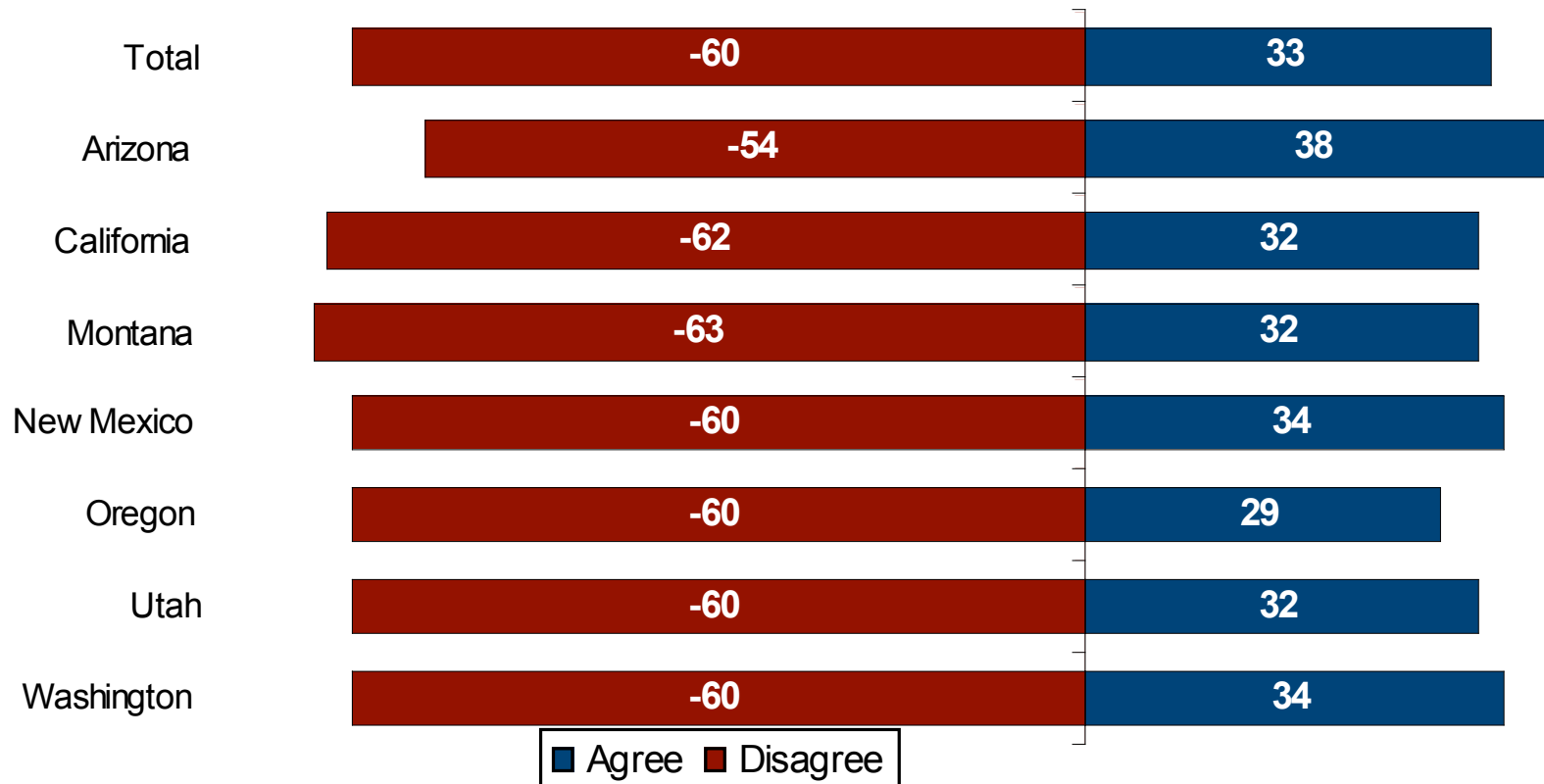
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■ Strongly agree ■ Somewhat agree ■ Strongly disagree □ Somewhat disagree

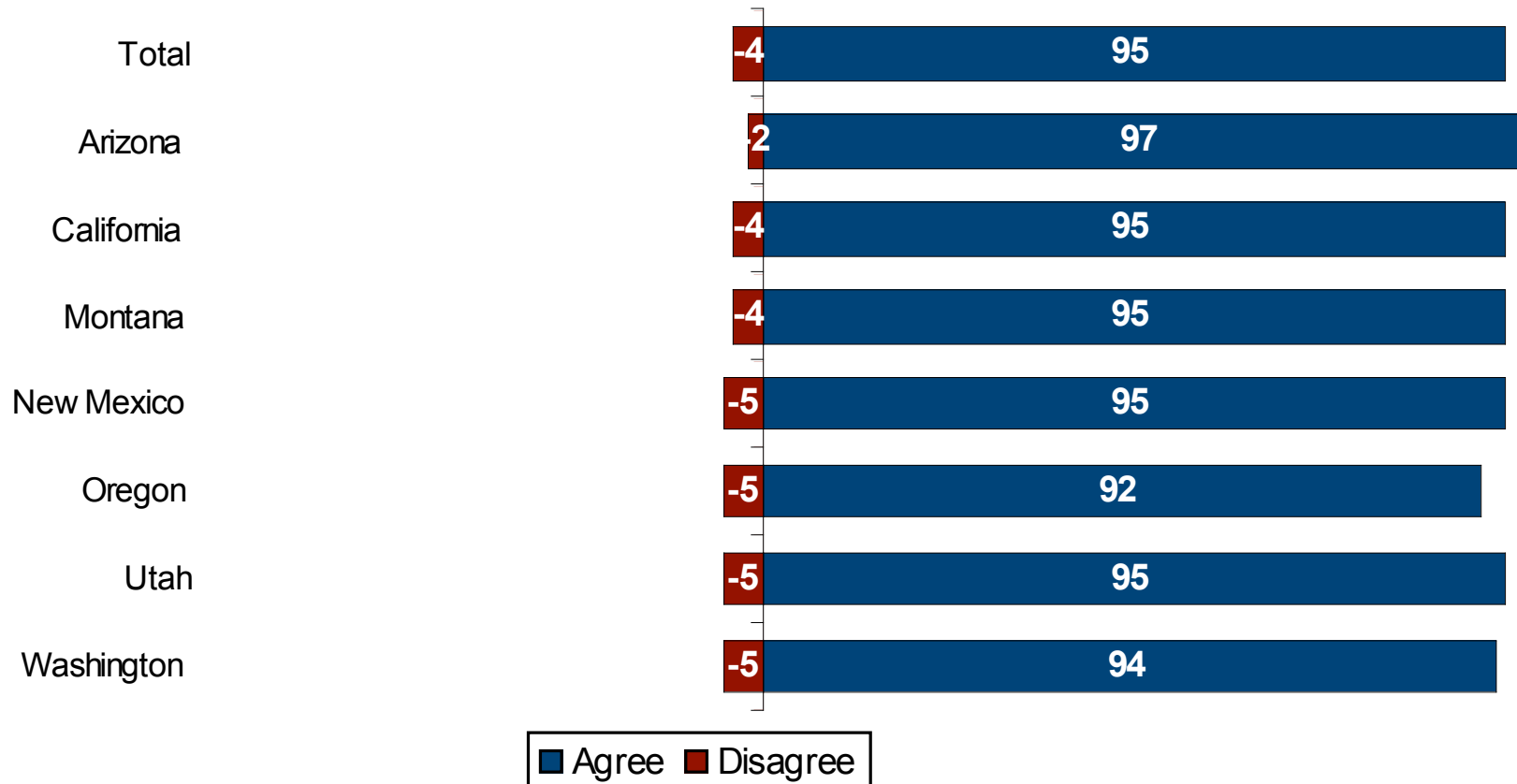
State breakout: Gas prices will come down in few years and prices will stabilize

I'm going to read you a list of statements. After I read each one, please tell me whether you generally agree or disagree.



State breakout: Even if gas prices come down in the short term, we need to act now to avoid a future crisis

I'm going to read you a list of statements. After I read each one, please tell me whether you generally agree or disagree.



State breakout: Gas prices are only going to go up in the long run unless we take action now to make our cars and trucks run on less gas or alternative fuels or electricity

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